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This documentation presents the development of a low-cost, open hardware resistivity meter to provide the scientific community with a robust and flexible tool for small-scale experiments. Called OhmPi, this resistivity meter features current injection and measurement functions associated with a multiplexer that allows performing automatic measurements.

CHAPTER

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1.1 System Overview



Warning

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1.1.1 What is OhmPi?

The OhmPi project was initiated to develop an open-source, open-hardware resistivity meter, particularly designed for the research community, education, and humanitarian or not-for-profit organisations. In the last decade, geoelectrical monitoring has become a popular tool to study and monitor physical processes in hydrology. As novel applications emerge, the need for more accessible and flexible acquisition systems grows in the research community. The flexibility and adaptability of OhmPi makes it particularly suited to develop novel acquisition strategies or design innovative small-scale monitoring experiments.

Note

Anyone who wants to get involved is welcome to join the OhmPi project!

1.1.2 How does it work?

The OhmPi is composed of different modules:

- a measurements board (mb): that measures the current and voltage and modulates the injected current
- 0, 1, ... or n multiplexer boards (mux): that address different electrodes
- a power supply (pwr): either a 12V battery or a more advanced power supply where we can control the voltage/current
- a general controller (ctrl): to control the measurement board, multiplexer boards and power supply (=raspber-rypi)

These modules exist in different versions and can be combined using a configuration file. You can then upgrade your measurement board or power supply for specific applications.



Fig. 1: OhmPi hardware flowchart.

In "BUILD OHMPI BOARDS" section we detail how to build each single module of an OHMPI system.

1.1.3 How does it look like?

Warning

We **strongly** recommend to test the assembled system in a controlled environment (in the lab, on resistor boards) before deploying in the field!



Recommended configurations

Applications	Measurement Board	Mux	Raspberry Pi	Power supply	Config file name	
64 or more electrodes for field monitoring	mb v2024	Mux v2023	Raspberry Pi 3 Model B or 4 model B	DPH5005	con- fig_mb_2024_0_2	24_mux_2023_
8, 16, 32, 48 electrodes for field monitoring	mb v2024	Mux v2024	Raspberry Pi 3 Model B or 4 model B	DPH5005	con- fig_mb_2024_0_2	24_mux_2024_
8, 16, 32, 48 electrodes for laboratory monitoring	mb v2024	Mux v2024	Raspberry Pi 3 Model B or 4 model B	12V Battery	con- fig_mb_2024_0_2	24_mux_2024_
4 electrodes concrete sample Laboratory (Rhoa and IP)	mb v2024	None	Raspberry Pi 3 Model B	DPH5005	con- fig_mb_2024_0_2	2_dph5005.py
4 electrodes soil sample laboratory (Rhoa and IP)	mb v2024	None	Raspberry Pi 3 Model B	12V Battery	con- fig_mb_2024_0_2	2.py.
4 electrodes-soil sample laboratory (only Rhoa)	mb v2023	None	Raspberry Pi 3 Model B	12V Battery	con- fig_mb_2023.py	

Another possible combination is to use MUX v2023 with MUX v2024 together, which allows the addition of a series of 8 electrodes to a 64-electrode system. This could be useful if one is looking to build e.g. a 96 electrode system, which would therefore feature 4 MUX 2023 (64 electrodes) + 4 MUX 2024 (32 electrodes).

In "BUILD OHMPI SYSTEMS" section we detail examples of OHMPI systems assemblies in different versions.

Today, version 1.0x is no longer maintained, but all boards from v2023 upwards are compatible with each other. This is the major innovation of 2024. Depending on your needs and applications, you can choose the board you are going to use.

1.1.4 How to build an OhmPi successfully?

and become an OhmPier!

Here are few tips:

- make **good soldering**: a lot of issues arise from bad soldering or soldering on the wrong side of PCB. Take your time, check your soldering with the multimeter, this will save you a lot of time afterwards.
- go **step by step**: follow the documentation, start by building a measurement board, then build multiplexers, then assemble the system.
- **hardware check**: for each board, check your electronics with the multimeter (there are checklists at the end of the "build your board" section)
- **software test**: use the software tests once the system is assembled. Always check with a resistor board before going on the field.
- if needed, **seek help**: consult the troubleshooting section or ask help on Discord. Look at the open or closed gitlab issues.
- provide **feedback** and **share your experience**: OhmPi is an open-source open-hardware project, if you found a bug or have an idea to improve the hardware or the code, please use the GitLab repository and raise issues. You can also share your experience with the community.

1.1.5 Where are the OhmPi?

If you want your system to appear on the map, register your OhmPi.

1.2 About the project



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PDF version of the documentation (note the latest version is always the html one)

1.3 OhmPi electronic design

1.3.1 Measurement board

The measurement board integrates different electronic components to

- measure the voltage at MN
- measure the current injected at AB
- switch the polarity of AB (to make different half-cycles/stack)

Some general explanation about the components is given below to help you understand the general electronics of the OhmPi. For more details, we redirect the reader to the datasheet of each component.

Measuring voltage

Voltage measurement is typically done through an **ADC** (**Analog to Digital Converter**). In the OhmPi, the component *ADS1115*, a 16-bit ADC is used. The *ADS1115* is also equipped with a programmable gain control (PGA), which means it can scale up the measured voltage by a factor before digitizing it. Its gain can vary between 2/3 and 16. With a gain of 1, this component can measure voltages between 0 and 5 V with a precision of $5 / (2^{16}) = 0.076 \text{ mV}$.

However, we often measure voltage beyond 5 V. So to measure larger voltage with our ADC, we need to divide the received voltage. In mb_2023, this is done using a **resistor divider bridge**. The voltage at MN is the distributed across two resistors placed in series according to their respective resistances. For instance, if we see 12V at MN and have two

resistors in series of 150 and 300 Ohms. We will measure 12 * 150 / (150 + 300) = 4 V on the first resistor and 12 * 300 / (150 + 300) = 8 V on the second. The 4 V can be measured by our ADC.

Another technique to reduce the voltage consists in using **operational amplifier (opamp**). These devices have multiple applications and using a given configuration with a known resistance, can be used to scale down the voltage input. In addition, opamp are used in 'follow-up' mode to ensure a **high input impedance** of the MN part. Indeed, if current is leaking in the MN part while we measure, it will affect our measurement.

In the measurement board 2024 (mb_2024), an opamp is also used in differential mode to measure the difference in voltage between M and N (N is used as a 'floating ground'). This enables us to measure much higher voltage as long as the difference between M and N is not too large.

Measuring current

Current measurement is usually obtained by measuring the voltage through a very accurate resistance called a **shunt resistance**. In mb_2023, a shunt resistance of 2 Ohms is used. As this resistance has a tiny value, the voltage drop measured through it is also very small and need to be amplified before being measured by the ADC. This is done through the INA282 component (also an opamp).

In mb_2024, the current measurement is done via a "Click module" where the shunt and amplifier (INA equivalent) are already soldered.

Polarity control

Each half-cycle has a different polarity. Current is first injected from A to B then from B to A with or without an off-time between the two injections. This cycle of polarity is ensured using four **relays** (optical in v2023, mechanical in v2024) that open or close alternatively. The relays are controlled from the MCP23008 which is **GPIO expander**.

Communication

The ADC (ADS1115) and GPI expander (MCP23008) communicate with the controller (raspberrypi) via two wires (SDA and SCL) using the **I2C protocol**. This protocol makes use of two wires. One wire is used to send pulses from a clock (SCL) and the other one to transmit data (SDA). These wires must be pulled high using pull-up resistors (meaning at rest, there should be 5V between these wires and the ground).

1.3.2 Multiplexer

Multiplexers are used to address multiple electrodes. For this they use **relays** to create an electronic path between the electrode and the entry (A, B, M, or N) on the measurement board. The relays are usually controlled by a **GPIO expander** (MCP23017). Because too many GPIO expander cannot be addressed on the same I2C bus, we use a **I2C expander** (TCA9548A) which is itself connected via I2C to the controller (Raspberry Pi).

1.4 Boards specifications

1.4.1 Measurement board

This section introduces the OhmPi measurement boards. Starting from this year, it has been possible to use any measurement board with the latest OhmPi code. Consequently, the OhmPi group provides a variety of board options tailored to your technical needs (e.g., laboratory measurement, field measurement), budget, and electronic skills.

The characteristics of each measurement board are described in the following table:

Recognize the version of the measurement board



Measurement board V2024.0.2

Specifications

Parameters	v2023.0.1	v2024.0.2	Units
Vmn number of channels	1	1	•
Operating temperature	0 to 50	-25 to 50	°C
Max. permissible Vab	24	200	vdc
Power supply	12	12	vdc
Current with 2 ohms shunt resistor	0.11 to 40	0.11 to 50	mA
Min pulse duration	50	50	ms
Max pulse duration	15	15	second
Vmn input impedance	80	1000	MOhm
Vmn range	-/+ 5	-/+5	volt

Assemble measurement board (MB)

- Measurement board v2023
- Measurement board v2024

1.4.2 Multiplexer board

Measurement boards are limited to four electrodes (A, B, M and N). Multiplexer boards are composed or electrical relay (electronic switches) that enable to route the signal from A, B, M or N from the measurement board towards the specified electrodes. Multiplexer boards are needed for a multi-electrode system.

Recognize the version of the MUX boards



Specifications

Parameters	v2023.X.X	v2024.X.X
Number of electrodes per board	64	16 (or 8)
Number of roles (A, B, M or N) per board	1	2 roles (or 4)
Power supply	12 V	12V (or 5V)

Assemble multiplexer board (MUX)

- MUX board v2023
- MUX board v2024

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1.5 Measurement board v2023

1.5.1 Assemble

Required components

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Rasp-158,7558,75RaspberryRasp-https: berryberryPi4ModelPi4mouser.ModelBProductDo Seeed-StutSeeed-Stut10211042gs= 7MVldsJ5 3D%3D3D3D	Com- po- nent	Number	Cost per unit €	Total cost €	Manufacturer	Man- ufac- turer s refer- ence	Web refer- ence
	Rasp- berry Pi 4 Model B	1	58,75	58,75	Raspberry	Rasp- berry Pi 4 Model B	https: //www. mouser. fr/ ProductD Seeed-Str 10211042 qs= 7MVldsJ 3D% 3D

Table 1: List of components

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Com- po- nent	Number	Cost per unit €	Total cost €	Manufacturer	Man- ufac- turer s refer- ence	Web refer- ence	
LM158 AMP- o	2	14,5	58	Texas Instruments	LM358A	https: //www. mouser. fr/ ProductD Texas-Ins LM158J? qs= X1J7Hm ¹ 2FFQ% 3D% 3D	etail/ truments/ VL2ZH8vpEfMI8
Printed cir- cuit board	1	12	12	Asler	•	•	
ADS11	2	11,9	23,8	Adafruit	1085	https: //www. mouser. fr/ ProductD Adafruit/ 1085? qs= %2Fha2p 2FOGzuT 252Bg% 3D% 3D	etail/ yFaduhE% TWIQ9Iz5VjaqF0
Ca- pac- itor 100nF 50Vdc 10% Ce- ramic	3	0,2	0,8	KEMET	C320C10	https: //www. mouser. fr/ ProductD KEMET/ C320C10 qs= c4UyoTs ^o 2FLq1th4 3D% 3D	etail/ 4K1R5TA7303? ‰ mcyOeTmA%

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Resis- tor 1 Kohm 0.5W +- 0.1%	2	1,3	2,6	TE Connectivity	H81K0B'	https: //www. mouser. fr/ ProductDetail/ TE-Connectivity-Holsw H81K0BYA? qs= %2Fha2pyFaduhUylh7A 2FmjFH2XjOUms6wZth 252BII% 3D
Re- sistor 1.5 Kohms +- 0.1%	2	1,3	2,6	TE Connectivity	H81K5B`	https: //www. mouser. fr/ ProductDetail/ TE-Connectivity-Holsw H81K5BYA? qs= %2Fha2pyFadugy9tWha 252BX% 2FM% 3D
Re- sistor 1.5 Kohms +- 5%	2	1,3	2,6	Vishay	CCF071F	https: //www. mouser. fr/ ProductDetail/ Vishay-Dale/ CCF071K50GKE36? qs= QKE0ZdL6EQpA6LZR 3D% 3D
Resis- tor 10 Mohms +-5%	2	0,762	1,524	VISHAY	CMF651	https: 3K143 //www. mouser. fr/ ProductDetail/ Vishay-Dale/ CMF651M0000FKEK14 qs= CiayqK2gdcKzIA2LEVa 3D% 3D

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2 ohm shunt resistor- 1%	1	2,42	2,42	Ohmite	41F2R0E	https: //www. mouser. fr/ ProductD Ohmite/ 41F2R0E qs= IM6ToxQ 3D% 3D	etail/ ? zGOAuEDprb19
Dual screw ter- minal (5.08- mm pitch)	5	0,648	3,24	CUI Devices	TB009- 508- 02BE	https: //www. mouser. fr/ ProductD CUI-Dev. TB009-50 qs= vLWxofP 3D% 3D	etail/ ices/ 08-02BE? 3U2wCFk5uCkW
DC/DC con- verter 12 to 24V	1	15,58	31,16	TracoPower	TRN 3- 1215	https: //www. mouser. fr/ ProductD TRACO- TRN-3-1 qs= YCa% 2FAAYM 3D% 3D	etail/ Power/ 215? W02gqUicGQj0t
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DIP Dual In Line Socket 2*4	3	0,72	2,16	Mill-Max	ence 110- 43- 308- 41- 001000	https: //www. mouser. fr/ ProductDetail/ Mill-Max/ 110-43-308-41-001000? qs= IGgAdOvCTsTu% 2FqaUr8NArg% 3D% 3D% 3D% 3D& mgh= 1& vip=1& gclid= EAIaIQobChMIn_ TAxbCx8wIVQ5nVCh2Qa D_ BwE
AQY21	4	3,84	15,36	Panasonic Indus- trial Devices	AQY211]	https: //www. mouser. fr/ ProductDetail/ Panasonic-Industrial-Device AQY211EH? qs= wKtUvITRialGIU8hcM7D 3D% 3D
DIP Dual In Line Socket 2*2	4	0,449	1,796	Preci-dip	110- 83- 304- 41- 001101	https: //www. mouser. fr/ ProductDetail/ Preci-dip/ 110-83-304-41-001101? qs= %2Fha2pyFadujQKqx4wA 2FMGNdxMCNv% 2F33Nj0gBxRocuLUcYnp 3D% 3D

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Com- po- nent	Number	Cost per unit €	Total cost €	Manufacturer	Man- ufac- turer s refer- ence	Web refer- ence	
MCP23	1	1,72	1,72	Adafruit	593	https: //www. mouser. fr/ ProductDetail/ Adafruit/ 593? qs= sGAEpiMZZMsKEdP 3D	9s1C
Header sets 1x10	2	2,12	4,24	Samtec	SSW- 110- 02-G-S	https: //www. mouser. fr/ ProductDetail/ Samtec/ SSW-110-02-G-S? qs= rU5fayqh% 252BE0w10RXZiBQJ 3D% 3D	pw%
SMT Break- out PCB for SOIC- 8	1	2,5	2,5	Adafruit	1212 nues on n	https: //www. mouser. fr/ ProductDetail/ Adafruit/ 1212? qs= GURawfaeGuCAqqfvr 3D% 3D& mgh= 1& vip=1& gclid= EAIaIQobChMIt8zJzr D_ BwE ext page	1Vty 6x8v

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INA282	1	4,11	4,11	Texas Instruments	INA282A	https: //www. mouser. fr/ ProductDetail/ Texas-Instruments/ INA282AID? qs= Ze4% 2FuFuz19ILFayZXOCfrA 3D% 3D
THD 15- 1211N	1	39,72	39,72	TracoPower	THD 15- 1211N	https: //www. mouser. fr/ ProductDetail/ TRACO-Power/ THD-15-1211N? qs= %2Fha2pyFadugpyEG4ID 2FMSR% 252B7aN% 252B7aN% 252BnRpUOOeQ% 3D% 3D
DIP Dual In Line Socket 2*20	1	8,53	8,53	Samtec	SSQ- 120- 23-G-D	https: //www. mouser. fr/ ProductDetail/ Samtec/ SSQ-120-23-G-D? qs= rU5fayqh% 252BE1BMVd% 252BDZONqg% 3D% 3D

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Com- po- nent	Number	Cost per unit €	Total cost €	Manufacturer	Man- ufac- turer s refer- ence	Web refer- ence
Pin strip no ejec- tor	1	0,35	0,35	BLK electronic	1012055(https: //www. conrad. com/p/ bkl-electronic-10120550- searchTerm= 741435& searchType= suggest& searchSuggest= product
Male Fe- male spacer 2.5M HEXAC O- NALE	4	0,87	3,48	HARWIN	R25- 3002002	https: //www. mouser. fr/ ProductDetail/ Harwin/ R25-3002002? qs= W0yvOO0ixfENUv0hsdC 2FQ% 3D% 3D
DIP Dual In Line Socket 2*9	1	1,86	1,86	Preci-dip	437- 11083318	https: //www. mouser. fr/ ProductDetail/ Preci-dip/ 110-83-318-41-001101? qs= FtMuP6KVi2TNQOezIA0 2FPA% 3D% 3D

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To order the PCB (on Aisler or other manufacturers), you just need to drag and drop the .fzz file into their web interface. The web interface will load the PCB and walk you through different steps.

Description

Figure shows the general schematics for the electronic measurement board developed. We have developed a complete "plug and play" measurement board. To measure electrical resistivity with Raspberry Pi. Two ADS1115 were used, one for the voltage measurement and one for the current measurement, as proposed by Florsch [7]. The ADS1115 is a 16-bit ADC (Analog-to-Digital Converter), with an adaptable gain. The advantage of ADS1115 is that the input signal value could lie between - to + 6.114 V. For the current measurement we have directly integrated the INA282 component, which allows precise current measurement around a shunt resistor. The assembly are described in the following steps:



























Warning

In this version, we used a shunt resistor of 2 ohms, which limits the current measurement to 48 mA. If the current is higher than this value, you just have to decrease the value of the shunt resistor. Don't forget to change the shunt value in the config.py file (value associated with key 'r_shunt' in the OHMPI_CONFIG dict).




















Mounting LM158 operational amplifier

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1.5.2 Start

Required components

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Com- po- nent	Number	Cost per unit €	Total cost €	Manufacturer	Man- ufac- turer s refer- ence	Web refer- ence
Spacer 3x11 mm	8	0.39	3.12	Wurth Elektronik	97111032	https: //www. mouser. fr/ ProductDetail/ Seeed-Studio/ 102110421? qs= 7MV1dsJ5UaxeN3LYyh3s 3D% 3D
Screw	4	0.305	1.22	APM HEXSEAL	RM3X8N 2701	https: //www. mouser. fr/ ProductDetail/ APM-HEXSEAL/ RM3X8MM-2701? qs= JJSE% 2F12mKnS3VxSDrYXUH 3D% 3D









Mounting the OhmPi's measurement board on the Raspberry Pi





Plug the power supply into a socket and connect it to your Raspberry Pi's power port.

1.5.3 Check

Run the terminal, and write

i2cdetect -y 1

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pi@raspberrypi:~ \$	70:				
	f everythi	ing is wor	king, three I2	C addresses should appear on the screen.	

Setting up an equivalent electronic circuit, for this you will need:

- 4 1kOhm resistor (R2)
- 1 220 Ohm resistor (R1)
- 1 small padboard
- Spool of solder











1.5. Install the red cables on the 12V terminal and black cable on the ground terminal. Connect to two different 12V batteries



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1.6 Measurement board v2024

The 2024.0.2 measurement board has been developed to replace the 2023.0.1 measurement board. It offers superior performance compared to its predecessor. The current measurement component has not evolved and presents no major differences. However, the major upgrade is the Mikroe-2C Isolator Click module ('https://www.mikroe.com/ i2c-isolator-click'). Specifically, it provides electrical isolation for the Vmn measurement set. This isolation allows for injection voltages (Vab) up to 200V



1.6.1 Assemble

Schematics Required components



Fig. 2: Overview of the measurement board.



Fig. 3: Schematic of the power supply.



Fig. 4: Schematic of the DPS (digital power source) power supply (e.g. DPH5005).



Fig. 5: Schematic of the Vmn signal conditioning.



Fig. 6: Schematic of the current injection and measurement.



Fig. 7: Schematic of the human-machine interface.

Com- ponent	Quan- tity	Cost per unit	Refer- ence	Order plat- form	Manu- facturer	Manu- facturer refer- ence	De- scrip- tion	Web link	Total cost EUR excl.VAT	
100 kOhm resistor	14	0.22	594- 5063JD10	mouser	MBA0204	Vishay	Metal Film Re- sistors - Through Hole .4watt 100Kohm: 1% 1/8watt body size	https: //eu. mouser. com/ ProductDe Vishay-Be MBA0204 qs= mzRxyRlł 2F5Q% 3D%3D	2.90	200? yf%
1 kOhm resistor 5%	2	0.19	603- FMP100JI 52-1K	mouser		YAGEO		https: //www. mouser. fr/ ProductD¢ YAGEO/ FMP100JJ qs= PG6CdkgJ 3D%3D	0.37	yVcnA%
330 Ohms resistor	3	0.31	603- MFR- 25FRF52- 330R	mouser	CFR100J3	TE Connec- tivity	Carbon Film Re- sistors - Through Hole 330Ohm 1W 500PPM	https: //eu. mouser. com/ ProductD¢ TE-Conne CFR100J3 qs= DDevMF(3D%3D	1.23	sworthy/ lsGY0HA%
4.7 kOhms resistor	2	0.31	594- NFR25H0	mouser	CFR- 25JB- 52-4K7	YAGEO	Carbon Film Re- sistors - Through Hole 1/4W 4.7K Ohm 5%	https: //eu. mouser. com/ ProductDe YAGEO/ CFR-25JB qs= oypCK0z(2FvSUvC. 3D%3D	1.23	

Table 3: List of components

Com- ponent	Quan- tity	Cost per unit	Refer- ence	Order plat- form	Manu- facturer	Manu- facturer refer- ence	De- scrip- tion	Web link	Total cost EUR excl.VAT	
2 ohms shunt resistor	1	1.33	71- CPF2- F-2/R	mouser	WNC2R0	Ohmite	Wire- wound Resis- tors - Through Hole 2W 2 ohms 1%	https: //eu. mouser. com/ ProductDe Ohmite/ WNC2R0! qs= CDPnWzl 252Bw% 3D%3D	1.33	IBZTI%
50V 1A general purpose rectifier diode DO-41	7	0.21	621- 1N4007	mouser	1N4001	Diotec	Semi- con- ductor Rec- tifiers Diode DO-41 50V 1A	https: //eu. mouser. com/ ProductDe Diotec-Se 1N4001? qs= OIC7AqG 3D%3D	1.28	r/ 10wmA%
cree LED	3	0.28	941- C503BGA	mouser	C503B- GAN- CD0E078	Cree LED	Stan- dard LEDs - Through Hole Green LED 527nm 5- mmRound 32900- 64600mcd	https: //eu. mouser. com/ ProductDe Cree-LED C503B-Ga qs= 7D1LtPJG 252B% 252B5IGZ 3D%3D	1.12	781?
50V 0.2 A small signal schottky diode DO-35	2	0.44	771- BAT8613:	mouser	BAT86 113	Nexpe- ria	Schot- tky Diodes & Rec- tifiers BAT86/SC 34	https: //eu. mouser. com/ ProductDe Nexperia/ BAT86112 qs= me8Tqzrn 3D%3D	0.87	Zsx1tg%

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OP27E (single ultra offset 8DIP)	3	9.53	584- OP27EPZ	mouser	OP27EPZ	Analog Devices Inc.	Pre- cision Am- plifiers LOW- NOISE PRECI- SION OP AMP	https: //eu. mouser. com/ ProductDe Analog-D OP27EPZ qs= WIvQP4z ⁱ 3D%3D	28.59	ViH2URA%
MCP2300 (GPIO ex- pander)	2	1.89	579- MCP2300 E/P	mouser	593	Adafruit	Adafruit Acces- sories MCP2300 - i2c 8 in- put/output port ex- pander	https: //eu. mouser. com/ ProductDe Adafruit/ 593?qs= GURawfae 2FuQ% 3D%3D	3.78	к7w%
ADS1115 adafruit board (pack of 3)	2	14.90		AZ delivery	1085	Adafruit	Data Conver- sion IC Devel- opment Tools ADS1115 16-Bit ADC - 4 Channel with Pro- grammabl Gain Ampli- fier	https: //www. az-deliver de/fr/ products/ analog-dig	14.99	-ads1115-mit-i2c
2.5V preci- sion voltage refer- ence	1	6.12	584- REF03GP	mouser	REF03GP	Analog Devices Inc.	Voltage Refer- ences PRECI- SION LOW- COST 2.5V R	https: //eu. mouser. com/ ProductDe Analog-D REF03GP qs= WIvQP4z ⁴ 3D%3D	6.12	Uwu1Bw%

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DG411DJ analog switch	1	2.23	781- DG411DJ- E3	mouser	DG411DJ E3	Vishay	Analog Switch ICs HIGH SPEED DG411 DIP-16	https: //eu. mouser. com/ ProductDe Vishay-Se DG411DJ qs= xkjjIvogył 252BuWC 3D%3D	2.23	rs/
unpolar capac- itor 100nF	12	0.21	594- K104K15	mouser	K104K15	Vishay	Mul- tilayer Ceramic Capac- itors MLCC - Leaded K 50V 100NF +/- 10 % X7R AMMO E3	https: //eu. mouser. com/ ProductDe Vishay-B(K104K152 qs= rLgk8CA(3D%3D	2.57	nts/ ? .GO2HJA%
polar- ized capac- itor 10uF	10	0.27	598- SEK100M	mouser	EEU- EB1J100S	Pana- sonic	Alu- minum Elec- trolytic Capac- itors - Radial Leaded 10uF 63volts AEC- Q200	https: //eu. mouser. com/ ProductDe Panasonic, EEU-EB1 qs= cEAFgkeF 3D%3D	2.70	GHCq5g%
N chan- nel 60V 600mA 700mW through hole tran- sistor (ZVN4200	7	0.34	522- ZVN4306	mouser	ZVN4206	Diodes Incorpo- rated	MOS- FET N-Chnl 60V	https: //www. mouser. be/ ProductDe onsemi-Fa 2N7000B1 qs= k2x4EL1% 2FKj6oeX 3D%3D	2.01	A%

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THD151 11N (output 5V)	2 2	48.53	495- THN15- 1211N	mouser	THD 15- 1211N	TRACO Power	Isolated DC/DC Con- verters - Through Hole Product Type: DC/DC, Package Style: DIP-24, Output Power (W): 15, Input Voltage: 9-18 VDC, Output 1 (Vdc): 5.1, Output 2 (Vdc): N/A, Output 3 (Vdc): N/A	https: //eu. mouser. com/ ProductDe TRACO-F THD-15-1 qs= ckJk83FO 3D%3D	97.06	Penmg%

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Com- ponent	Quan- tity	Cost per unit	Refer- ence	Order plat- form	Manu- facturer	Manu- facturer refer- ence	De- scrip- tion	Web link	Total cost EUR excl.VAT	
THD1512 22N (output 12V)	1	52.00	495- THD- 15- 1222N	mouser	THD 15- 1222N	TRACO Power	Isolated DC/DC Con- verters - Through Hole Product Type: DC/DC, Package Style: DIP-24, Output Power (W): 15, Input Voltage: 9-18 VDC, Output 1 (Vdc): 12, Output 2 (Vdc): -12, Output 3 (Vdc): N/A	https: //www. mouser. be/ ProductDe TRACO-F THD-15-1 qs= ckJk83FO 3D%3D	52.00	xcHQFw%
terminal block 12V (3 pôles) - optional	1	1.98	651- 1751251	mouser				https: //www. mouser. fr/ ProductDe Phoenix-C 1751251? qs= wdlOgCql	1.98	.wGHrzA%
							con	3D%3D tinues on n	ext page	

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terminal block 12V (2 pôles)	6	0.85	649- VI022152	mouser	VI022152	Amphe- nol	Fixed Ter- minal Blocks TB RIS CLA 180 STACK	https: //eu. mouser. com/ ProductDe Amphenol VI022152 qs= Mv7BduZ 3D%3D	5.09	YXCXvw%
mikroe i2C isolator	1	16.74	932- MIKROE- 1878	mouser	MIKROE- 1878	Mikroe	Inter- face Devel- opment Tools I2C Isolator click	https: //eu. mouser. com/ ProductD¢ Mikroe/ MIKROE- qs= k5OWtXs' 3D%3D	16.74	c53Deg%
mikroe shunt current sensor	1	24.18	2475770	RS	MIKROE- 4976	Mikroe	Power Man- agement IC Devel- opment Tools Current 7 Click	https: //fr. rs-online. com/ web/p/ kits-de-de 2475770? searchId= 67801b00· gb=s	24.18	t-pour-capteur/ -9dca-dd17a4efd3
Spark- Fun Acces- sories Level Trans- lator Break- out	2	4.03	474- bob- 15439	mouser	BOB- 15439	Spark- Fun Elec- tronics	Spark- Fun Acces- sories Level Trans- lator Break- out - PCA9306	https: //eu. mouser. com/ ProductDe SparkFun/ BOB-154: qs= P1JMDcb! 252B0Xi4 3D%3D	8.06	℃/₀

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omhron G5LE relay	7	1.44	653- G5LE- 1-DC5	mouser	G5LE- 1A4- DC5	Omron	General Purpose Relays Power PCB Relay SPST- NO Sealed 5VDC	https: //eu. mouser. com/ ProductDe Omron-El G5LE-1A- qs= pWf36BU 3D%3D	8.64	tLB7NQ%
DIP for MCP2300 (18 pins)	2	1.33	200- ICA318S7	mouser	110-47- 318-41- 001000	Mill- Max	IC & Com- ponent Sockets STAN- DRD SOL- DER TAIL DIP SOCKET	https: //eu. mouser. com/ ProductDe Mill-Max/ 110-47-31 qs= 5aG0NVq 3D%3D	2.66)0? FdZ6dOw%
DIP for OP27E (8 pins)	4	1.39	575- 144308	mouser	110-13- 308-41- 001000	Mill- Max	IC & Com- ponent Sockets 8P GLD PIN GLD CONT	https: //eu. mouser. com/ ProductDe Mill-Max/ 110-13-3(qs= WZeyYeq 3D%3D	6.95)0? 4tXLt7Q%
DIP for DG411DJ (16 pins)	1	1.05	855- D2816- 42	mouser	110-44- 316-41- 001000	Mill- Max	IC & Com- ponent Sockets 16P TIN PIN TIN CONT	https: //eu. mouser. com/ ProductD¢ Mill-Max/ 110-44-31 qs= IGgAdOvt 252BXEW 3D%3D	1.05)0?

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header for rasp- berrypi	1	1.87	474- PRT- 16764	mouser	PRT- 14017	Spark- Fun Elec- tronics	Rasp- berry Pi Acces- sories Rasp- berry Pi GPIO Tall Header - 2x20	https: //eu. mouser. com/ ProductDe SparkFun/ PRT-1401 qs= a4BXICG 2F% 252BaML 3D%3D	1.87	
header socket 1 row 5 posi- tions	2	1.97	571-5- 534237- 3	mouser	5- 534237- 3	TE Connec- tivity	Headers & Wire Hous- ings REC 1X05P VRT T/H	https: //eu. mouser. com/ ProductDe TE-Conne 5-534237- qs= Eln3I3szN 252BSZC: 3D%3D	3.94	
header socket 1 row 4 posi- tions	3	1.46	571- 215297- 4	mouser	5- 534237- 2	TE Connec- tivity	Headers & Wire Hous- ings REC 1X04P VRT T/H	https: //eu. mouser. com/ ProductDe TE-Conne 5-534237- qs= GYgf5Pds 3D%3D	4.38	leiLQ%
header socket 1 row 8 posi- tions	4	1.74	571- 215297- 8	mouser	5- 535541- 6	TE Connec- tivity	Headers & Wire Hous- ings REC 1X08P VRT T/H	https: //eu. mouser. com/ ProductDe TE-Conne 5-535541- qs= xDp7PGU 252BuqVv 3D%3D	6.96	W %

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1.6. Measurement board v2024

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Com- ponent	Quan- tity	Cost per unit	Refer- ence	Order plat- form	Manu- facturer	Manu- facturer refer- ence	De- scrip- tion	Web link	Iotal cost EUR excl.VAT	
header socket 1 row 10 posi- tions	2	2.71	571- 5342378	mouser	SSW- 110-02- G-S	Samtec	Headers & Wire Hous- ings Tiger Buy Socket Strip with PCB Tails, .100" Pitch	https: //eu. mouser. com/ ProductDe Samtec/ SSW-110- qs= rU5fayqh ^e 252BE0w 3D%3D	5.42	pw%
header socket 1 row 2 posi- tions	1	1.02	571- 215297- 2	mouser	SSW- 102-02- G-S	Samtec	Headers & Wire Hous- ings Tiger Buy Socket Strip with PCB Tails, .100" Pitch	https: //eu. mouser. com/ ProductDe Samtec/ SSW-102- qs= rU5fayqh ^o 252BE2ZI 2FBLw ^o 3D ^o 3D	1.02	
header pins 1 row 10 posi- tions	1	1.24	571-1- 826629- 0	mouser	1- 826629- 0	TE Connec- tivity	Headers & Wire Hous- ings 10P SIN- GLE ROW	https: //eu. mouser. com/ ProductDe TE-Conne 1-826629- qs= FazuUmnc 3D%3D	1.24	6ZgGxg%
IDC sockets (go on the ribon cable)	2	0.43	710- 61200623	mouser	61200623	Wurth Elek- tronik	Headers & Wire Hous- ings WR- BHD 2.54mm Female 6P Strt IDC Conn	https: //eu. mouser. com/ ProductDe Wurth-Ele 61200623! qs= PhR8RmC 3D%3D	0.86	'kdxzfw%

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Com- ponent	Quan- tity	Cost per unit	Refer- ence	Order plat- form	Manu- facturer	Manu- facturer refer- ence	De- scrip- tion	Web link	Total cost EUR excl.VAT	
IDC pins	3	1.32	571- 1761681- 1	mouser	1761681- 1	TE Connec- tivity	Headers & Wire Hous- ings IDC LOW PRO HDR 6P VERT HT BLACK	https: //eu. mouser. com/ ProductDe TE-Conne 1761681-1 qs= BqFpTYC 3D%3D	3.96	wzdz7aw9
Rasp- berryp pi 4	1	55.80	358- SC1111	mouser	Rasp- berry Pi	SC1111	Rasp- berry Pi	https: //www. mouser. be/ ProductDe Raspberry SC1111? qs= HoCaDK9 3D%3D	55.80	INnKTiQ ⁴
socket to cut for 3 THD	3	1.73	575- 80147012	mouser	Mil- Max	801-47- 012-10- 012000		https: //www. mouser. be/ ProductDe Mill-Max/ 801-47-01 qs= 5aG0NVq 3D%3D	5.19)0? ⁷ DlnKzg%
PCB mea- sure- ment board (pack of 3)	1			Aisler				https: //aisler. net/ ?lang= fr-FR	70.00	
Resitor network 100K	1		652- 4309R- 1LF- 100K	mouser						
TOTAL									458.3670	000000000

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To order the PCB (on Aisler or other manufacturers), you just need to drag and drop the .kicad_pcb (e.g. PCB_boards/measurement_boards/mb.2024.1.0/mb.2024.1.0.kicad_pcb) file into their web interface. The web interface will load the PCB and walk you through different steps.

Interactive BOM list

Interactive BOM list

Before starting: how to soldering

How to Solder Electronic Components https://www.sciencebuddies.org/science-fair-projects/references/ how-to-solder>

Description

Note

Since measurement board v2024.1.0, a discharge relay has been added next to the current click. This relay is equipped with similar electronics to the other relays of the board (i.e. 100 kOhm resistor, ZVN transistor, Omron relay). It enables to quickly discharge the current of the DPH5005 when switching between Vab voltages. To control this relay, we had to remove one LED (so there are only 3 LEDs). Note that your board will still work even if you do not install the relay. The mounting of the discharge relay is not included in the pictures below but mount it at the same time you mount the other relays.

Soldering various RESISTOR on the measurement board PCB



Fig. 8: STEP 1: Soldering thirteen 100 kOhm resistors.

Soldering DIODE on the measurement board PCB

Soldering SCHOTTKY DIODE on the measurement board PCB

Information about light-emitting diode

Information about MOSFET Metal Oxide Semiconductor Field Effect Transistor

What is a CAPACITOR?



Fig. 9: STEP 2: soldering four (or three) 330 ohm resistors.



Fig. 10: STEP 3: Soldering four (or two) 4K7 ohm resistors.



Fig. 11: STEP 4: Soldering six diodes 1N4007.



Fig. 12: STEP 5: Soldering two Schottky diodes bat85 or bat86.



Fig. 13: STEP 6: Soldering five DIP-8 sockets. Pay attention to the direction of the notch.



Fig. 14: STEP 7: Soldering two DIP-18 sockets.



Fig. 15: STEP 8: Soldering one DIP-16 socket.



Fig. 16: STEP 9: Soldering twelve cut sockets for 3 THD.


Fig. 17: STEP 10: Soldering header socket 1 row 10 positions.



Fig. 18: STEP 11: Soldering header sockets with 1 row and 8 positions.



Fig. 19: STEP 12: Soldering 1 header (1 row, 2 positions -> cut a bigger one), 3 * 1r4p and 2 * 1r5p.



Fig. 20: STEP 13: Installation of four light-emitting diodes. Pay attention to the polarity. Short leg side towards the bottom.



Fig. 21: STEP 14: Soldering six MOSFET ZVN4206 or ZVN4306.



Fig. 22: STEP 15: Soldering twelve 100 nF 50V tantalum capacitors. These have no polarity.



Fig. 23: STEP 16: Soldering ten 10 µF 50V Electrolytic capacitors, pay attention to capacitor polarity.

Warning

In this version, we used a shunt resistor of 2 Ohms, which limits the current measurement to 48 mA. If the current is expected higher than this value, you can replace the shunt resistor to a lower resistance value (e.g. for configuration with DPH5005: 1 Ohm for currents up to 100 mA or 0.5 Ohm for currents up to 200 mA). Don't forget to change the shunt value in the config.py file (value associated to key 'R_shunt' in the OHMPI_CONFIG dict).

Warning

The Raspberry Pi header below need to be soldered on the **underside of the PCB**.

What is a Op-Amp?

In addition, the notch provides a way to visually identify the orientation of the package.

What is an analogue switch?

Note

If you have issues with the I2C isolator (e.g. 0x49 and 0x27 are not visible), you may need to remove the pull-up resistor on the I2C isolator as shown above.



Fig. 24: STEP 17: Soldering the 2 Ohms shunt resistor.



Fig. 25: STEP 18: Soldering the three IDC 6 pins connectors. Pay attention to the orientation of the connector!



Fig. 26: STEP 19: Soldering six screw terminals for cable connection.



Fig. 27: STEP 20: Soldering six Omron G5LE relays 5 VDC. (If your PCB has a discharge relay, mount it too).



Fig. 28: STEP 21: Soldering the 2x20 header for connection with the raspberry GPIO on the under side of the PCB.



Fig. 29: STEP 22: Place the three OP27 on their DIP-8 sockets. **The notch must face upwards.** Make sure not to confuse OP27 with REF03.



Fig. 30: STEP 23: Place the REF03 reference voltage (2.5V) on its DIP-8 socket. **The notch must face the right side.** Make sure not to confuse REF03 with OP27.



Fig. 31: STEP 24: Place the DG411 (the notch must face the left side).



Fig. 32: STEP 25: Place the two MCP23008 on their DIP-16 socket (pay attention to the notches orientation).



Fig. 33: STEP 26: Place the three THD, install the right reference at the right place according to the yellow boxes.



Fig. 34: STEP 27: Place the ADS1115 board on its female header 1x10 pins.



Fig. 35: STEP 28: Place the two I2C level adjusters.



Fig. 36: STEP 29: Place the I2C isolator add-on board. Make sure you have right selection according to the red box.



Note

Don't forget to add the two header pins below the 'shunt' side of the current click so it can be connected to the PCB below.

1.6.2 Checks

Use the picture and table below to manually check with a multimeter for continuity and expected voltage in the measurement board.



Fig. 37: STEP 30: Place the current click add-on board. Make sure you have right selections according to the red boxes.

Without power off

If a continuity check does not pass it likely means there is an issue with the soldering on the board.

Name	Power	Туре	Multimeter BLACK probe	Multimeter RED probe	Expected
SC1	off	continuity	screw terminal Tx in GND	screw terminal Tx in +12V	no continuity
SC2	off	continuity	screw terminal Tx out GND	screw terminal Tx out +12V	no continuity
SC3	off	continuity	screw terminal A	screw terminal B	no continuity
SC4	off	continuity	screw terminal M	screw terminal N	no continuity
SC5	off	continuity	screw terminal DPS -	screw terminal DPS +	no continuity
SC6	off	continuity	ADS current 0x48 GND	ADS current 0x48 VDD	no continuity
SC7	off	continuity	ADS voltage 0x49 GND	ADS voltage 0x49 VDD	no continuity

Table 4: Hardware check

Warning

Do not power the board if one of the SC (short circuit) tests does not pass!

With power on

To power the board, you need to connect a 12 V source (e.g. battery) on Rx-Batt. If the voltage with I2C (SDA and SCL pins) is not expected, there is likely an issue with pull-up resistors.



Table 5: Hardware check

Name	Power	Туре	Multimeter BLACK probe	Multimeter RED probe	Expected
C1	off	continuity	ADS current 0x48 GND	Current click GND	continuity
C2	off	continuity	ADS current 0x48 GND	Raspberry Pi GND	continuity
C3	off	continuity	ADS current 0x48 GND	MCP23008 Tx 0x21 VSS	continuity
C4	off	continuity	ADS current 0x48 GND	I2Cext GND	continuity
C5	off	continuity	screw terminal N	I2C isolator GND2	continuity
C6	off	continuity	screw terminal N	ADS voltage 0x49 GND	continuity
C7	off	continuity	screw terminal N	DG411 GND	continuity
C8	off	continuity	screw terminal N	MCP23008 MN 0x27 VSS	continuity
C9	off	continuity	ADS voltage 0x49 VDD	I2C isolator VCC2	continuity
C10	off	continuity	ADS voltage 0x49 VDD	MCP23008 MN 0x27 VDD	continuity
C11	off	continuity	ADS voltage 0x49 SDA	I2C isolator SDA2	continuity
C12	off	continuity	ADS voltage 0x49 SDA	MCP23008 MN 0x27 SDA	continuity
C13	off	continuity	ADS voltage 0x49 SCL	I2C isolator SCL2	continuity
C14	off	continuity	ADS voltage 0x49 SCL	MCP23008 MN 0x27 SCL	continuity
C15	off	continuity	ADS current 0x48 SDA	Current click SDA	no continuity
C16	off	continuity	ADS current 0x48 SDA	Raspberry Pi SDA1 (p3)	no continuity
C17	off	continuity	ADS current 0x48 SDA	MCP23008 Tx 0x21 SDA	continuity
C18	off	continuity	ADS current 0x48 SDA	ADS voltage 0x49 SDA	no continuity
C19	off	continuity	ADS current 0x48 SCL	Current click SCL	no continuity
C20	off	continuity	ADS current 0x48 SCL	Raspberry Pi SCL1 (p5)	no continuity
C21	off	continuity	ADS current 0x48 SCL	MCP23008 Tx 0x21 SCL	continuity
C22	off	continuity	ADS current 0x48 SCL	ADS voltage 0x49 SCL	no continuity
C23	off	continuity	ADS current 0x48 VDD	Current click 5V	continuity
C24	off	continuity	ADS current 0x48 VDD	Raspberry Pi 5V (p2)	continuity
C25	off	continuity	ADS current 0x48 VDD	MCP23008 Tx 0x21 VDD	continuity
C26	off	continuity	ADS current 0x48 VDD	I2Cext 5V	continuity

Name	Power	Туре	Multimeter BLACK probe	Multimeter RED probe	Expected
V1	on	voltage	screw terminal Tx in GND	screw terminal Tx in +12V	12V
V2	on	voltage	screw terminal Rx GND	screw terminal Rx +12V	12V
V3	on	voltage	ADS current 0x48 GND	ADS current 0x48 VDD	5V-5.2V
V4	on	voltage	ADS current 0x48 GND	ADS current 0x48 SDA	5V-5.2V
V5	on	voltage	ADS current 0x48 GND	ADS current 0x48 SCL	5V-5.2V
V6	on	voltage	ADS current 0x48 GND	I2Cext SDA	5V-5.2V
V7	on	voltage	ADS current 0x48 GND	I2Cext SCL	5V-5.2V
V8	on	voltage	screw terminal N	ADS voltage 0x49 VDD	5V-5.2V
V9	on	voltage	screw terminal N	ADS voltage 0x49 SDA	5V-5.2V
V10	on	voltage	screw terminal N	ADS voltage 0x49 SCL	5V-5.2V
V11	on	voltage	screw terminal N	ADS voltage 0x49 A0	2.499V-2.501V
V12	on	voltage	Current click GND	Current click AN	<5mV

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1.7 MUX board v2023

The multiplexing of the channels is a mechanical multiplexing based on OMRON's manufacturing relays (G5LE-1-VD 12 VDC). Each relay is combined with a ZVN4206A power MOFSET. The raspberry has only 30 GPIOs, which is not enough to activate all the 64 electrodes, which represent 512 GPIOs. We used gpio expander I2C (MCP23017). We have associated these components with an I2C multiplexer of type TCA9548A from adafruit. This combination can go up to 512 GPIOs and up to 128 electrodes. Each card has its own digital address between 0X70 and 0X77. In the following presentation for an OhmPi 64 electrode, we will use the addresses 0X70 for channel A, 0X71 for channel B, 0X72 for channel M and 0X73 for channel N. 0X73 for the N channel. 4 MUX boards will be needed to multiplex an OhmPi 64 electrode.

1.7.1 Assemble

Required components

		Table	6: List of compo	onents		
Compo- nents	Number	Cost per unit	Total cost	Manufac- turer	Manufac- turer s reference	Web refer- ence
Printed circuit board	4	140	560	Aisler	•	https: //aisler.net/

Compo- nents	Number	Cost per unit	Total cost	Manufac- turer	Manufac- turer s reference	Web refer- ence
diode- 1n4007	256	0.091	23.296	Diodes Incorporated	1N4007-T	https://www. mouser.fr/ ProductDetail/ Diodes-Incorporated/ 1N4007-T? qs= sGAEpiMZZMueQxo7L% 2FBPyAkbORUUMREn
Dual screw terminal (5.08-mm pitch)	12	0.648	7.776	CUI Devices	TB009-508- 02BE	https://www. mouser.fr/ ProductDetail/ CUI-Devices/ TB009-508-02BE? qs= vLWxofP3U2wCFk5uCkWTkA 3D%3D
Generic male header - 3 pins	12	0.205	2.46	TE Connec- tivity	4-103321-5	https://www. mouser.fr/ ProductDetail/ TE-Connectivity/ 4-103321-5? qs= 5TwgZeq9E7HSYLqaljJYrw% 3D%3D
MCP23017 I2C I/O Expander	16	2.5	40	Adafruit	732	https://www. mouser.fr/ ProductDetail/ Adafruit/ 732?qs= sGAEpiMZZMsKEdP9slC0Yfx 3D
G5LE-1A DC12	256	1.27	325.12	Omron Elec- tronics	G5LE-1A DC12	https://eu. mouser.com/ ProductDetail/ Omron-Electronics/ G5LE-1A-DC12? qs= sGAEpiMZZMsqIr59i2oRcj208 3D

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Compo- nents	Number	Cost per unit	lotal cost	Manutac- turer	Manutac- turer s reference	web refer- ence
ZVN4206A MOSFET- NCHANNEL	256	0.471	120.576	Diodes Incorporated	ZVN4206A	https://www. mouser.fr/ ProductDetail/ Diodes-Incorporated/ ZVN4206A? qs= vHuUswq2% 252Bsz9b% 2Ff6fcXt7g% 3D%3D
100k Resistor	256	0.061	15.616	Vishay / Beyschlag	MBA02040C1(https://www. mouser.fr/ ProductDetail/ Vishay-Beyschlag/ MBA02040C1003FRP00? qs= mzRxyRlhVdt9crF7Zyf% 2F5Q%3D% 3D
Adafruit TCA9548A	4	5.89	23.56	Adafruit	2717	https://www. mouser.fr/ ProductDetail/ Adafruit/ 2717?qs= sGAEpiMZZMsyYdr3R27aV4E 252Baqg% 252BZ3hVktao% 3D
spacer 5.5 HEX 25 mm M3 male/female	31	2.79	86.49	Keystone Electronics	24300	https://www. mouser.fr/ ProductDetail/ Keystone-Electronics/ 24300?qs= UWqYQ% 2F2cZWu0ejpOzmZC2A% 3D%3D
Screw	9	0.305	2.745	APM HEXSEAL	RM3X8MM- 2701	https://www. mouser.fr/ ProductDetail/ APM-HEXSEAL/ RM3X8MM-2701? qs=JJSE% 2F12mKnS3VxSDrYXUHw% 3D%3D

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Compo- nents	Number	Cost per unit	Total cost	Manufac- turer	Manufac- turer s reference	Web refer- ence
spacer 5.5 HEX 25 mm M3 fe- male/female	9	0.846	7.614	Keystone Electronics	25515	https://www. mouser.fr/ ProductDetail/ Keystone-Electronics/ 25515?qs= UWqYQ% 2F2cZWuxuhUmfr% 252BZuQ% 3D%3D
2-way jumper	12	0.30	571-1- 881545-2	TE Connec- tivity	571-1- 881545-2	https://eu. mouser.com/ ProductDetail/ TE-Connectivity/ 1-881545-2? qs= G55MHhPmvtILJr8pg2% 2FD4w% 3D%3D
6 pos. 2 rows IDC connec- tor	4	0.44	0.44	Wurth Elek- tronik	710- 61200621621	https://eu. mouser.com/ ProductDetail/ Wurth-Elektronik/ 61200621621? qs= PhR8RmCirEbjX8n1RKw4Jw ⁰ 3D%3D
6 pos. 2 rows. IDC sockets (go on the ribon cable)	4	0.43	0.43	Wurth Elek- tronik	710- 61200623021	https://eu. mouser.com/ ProductDetail/ Wurth-Elektronik/ 61200623021? qs= PhR8RmCirEabk1Ywkdxzfw% 3D%3D
16 pos. 2 rows IDC connector	16	0.58	0.58	Wurth Elek- tronik	710- 61201621621	https://eu. mouser.com/ ProductDetail/ Wurth-Elektronik/ 61201621621? qs= ZtY9WdtwX55qFf4n3EFuaA% 3D%3D

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Compo- nents	Number	Cost per unit	Total cost	Manufac- turer	Manufac- turer s reference	Web refer- ence
16 pos. 2 rows IDC socket	16	0.73	0.73	Wurth Elek- tronik	710- 61201623021	https://eu. mouser.com/ ProductDetail/ Wurth-Elektro 61201623021? qs= ZtY9WdtwX5′ 3D%3D

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MUX board PCB

























Note

This step must be duplicated 4 times for every Mux card.

1.7.2 MUX board address

To build an OhmPi it is necessary to have 4 MUX boards, with 4 different addresses. It is therefore necessary to identify each board, by assigning an address, which will be allocated in the OhmPi code. We present here the addresses selected by default.

For the A electrode board, we suggest addressing it with address 0x70:



For the B electrode board, we suggest addressing it with address 0x71:



For the N electrode board, we suggest addressing it with address 0x72:


For the M electrode board, we suggest addressing it with address 0x73:



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1.8 MUX board v2024

The MUX board v2024 uses the same technology as the MUX board v2023, i.e. mechanical multiplexing. However it introduces a new level of flexibility by addressing multiple roles (A, B, M, N), which enables the construction of an OhmPi system with multiples of 8 electrodes. Users can physically configure the MUX board to address 2 roles (A, B or M, N) or 4 roles (A, B, M, N). With only 32 relays, it can address 16 or 8 electrodes, for the 2- and 4-role configuration respectively. Given the reduced number of relays, the MUX board v2024 is interfaced with only two MCP23017 I/O expanders. This means that up to 4 MUX boards v2024 (i.e. 32-electrode system) can be directly connected to a measurement board v2024, equating to a 256-electrode system. In theory, up to 8 I2C extension boards can be connected to the measurement board, which would allow it to pilot 2048 electrodes. For obvious practical reasons, such a configuration couldn't be tested and is likely to be limited by the I2C bus being physically too long, which would prevent us from reaching so many GPIOs. The MUX board v2024 also comes with both IDC connectors and screw connectors for the electrode takeouts, which allows it to directly connect the electrode arrays to the board. In an effort to mitigate supply shortages, a last addition concerns the power mosfet associated with the relays, with the possibility to mount two types of components depending on market availability: either ZVN4206A or STP16NF06L.

Here, we will present how to assemble and configure a 32-electrode system, based on 4 MUX-board v2024 set up to address 2 roles / 16 electrodes each.

1.8.1 Assemble

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Depending on your organisation and soldering skills, assembling a MUX board v2024 should take between 2 and 4 hours. Some extra time is needed for performing checks and tests.

Required components

Table 7: List of components									
Com- ponent	Quan- tity	Cost per unit	Mouser ref	Manu- facturer	Manu- facturer refer- ence	De- scrip- tion	Web link	Costs (w. STP16NF	Costs (w. ZVN06A)
Printed circuit board	1	•				1 PCB but of- ten sold by 3	https: //aisler. net/		

Com- ponent	Quan- tity	Cost per unit	Mouser ref	Manu- facturer	Manu- facturer refer- ence	De- scrip- tion	Web link	Costs (w. STP16NF	Costs (w. ZVN06A)	
100nF	2	0.22	80- C320C10- TR	KEMET	C320C104	Unpo- larized capaci- tor	https: //www. mouser. be/ ProductDe KEMET/ C320C10 ² qs= c4UyoTs% 2FLq1th41 3D%3D	0.44	0.44	
10uF	2	0.24	667- ECA- 1JHG100I	Pana- sonic	ECA- 1JHG1001	Polar- ized capaci- tor	https: //www. mouser. be/ ProductDe Panasonic. ECA-1JHe qs= sGAEpiM 252B1wo2 3D	0.48	0.48	382xUwbopY%
1N_E4007	32	0.13	621- 1N4007	Diodes Incorpo- rated	1N4007- T	1000V 1A General Purpose Rectifier Diode, DO-41	https: //eu. mouser. com/ ProductD& Diodes-In 1N4007-T qs=e% 2FRqmsgv 3D%3D	4.16	4.16)
Relays Pwr	1	0.55	571- 2828372	TE Connec- tivity	282837	Generic screw termi- nal, single row, 01x02	https: //eu. mouser. com/ ProductDe TE-Conne 282837-2: qs=A% 252Bip% 252BNCY 3D%3D	0.55	0.55	

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Com- ponent	Quan- tity	Cost per unit	Mouser ref	Manu- facturer	Manu- facturer refer- ence	De- scrip- tion	Web link	Costs (w. STP16NF	Costs (w. ZVN06A)
6 pos. 2 rows IDC connec- tor	1	0.44	710-61200621	Wurth Elek- tronik	61200621	Generic con- nector, double row, 02x03, odd/even pin num- bering scheme (row 1 odd num- bers, row 2 even num- bers)	https: //eu. mouser. com/ ProductD¢ Wurth-El¢ 612006210 qs= PhR8RmC 3D%3D	0.44	0.44
6 pos. 2 rows. IDC sockets (go on the ribon cable)	1	0.43	710- 612006231	61200623	Wurth Elek- tronik	Headers & Wire Hous- ings WR- BHD 2.54mm Female 6P Strt IDC Conn	https: //eu. mouser. com/ ProductDe Wurth-Ele 61200623 qs= PhR8RmC 3D%3D	0.43	0.43
Screw Termi- nals (2* 2P + 8*2P)	10	0.55	571- 2828372	TE Connec- tivity	282837- 2	Generic screw terminal	https: //eu. mouser. com/ ProductDe TE-Conne 282837-25 qs=A% 252Bip% 252BNCY 3D%3D	1.10	1.10

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Com- ponent	Quan- tity	Cost per unit	Mouser ref	Manu- facturer	Manu- facturer refer- ence	De- scrip- tion	Web link	Costs (w. STP16NF	Costs (w. ZVN06A)
16 pos. 2 rows IDC connec- tor	1	0.58	710-61201621	Wurth Elek- tronik	61201621	Generic con- nector, double row, 02x08, odd/even pin num- bering scheme (row 1 odd num- bers, row 2 even num- bers)	https: //eu. mouser. com/ ProductDe Wurth-Ele 61201621 qs= ZtY9Wdtv 3D%3D	0.58	0.58
16 pos. 2 rows IDC socket	1	0.73	710- 61201623	Wurth Elek- tronik	61201623	Generic double row IDC socket	https: //eu. mouser. com/ ProductDe Wurth-Ele 61201623 qs= ZtY9Wdtv 3D%3D	0.73	0.73
3-pin header	2	0.17	571-4- 103321- 5	TE Connec- tivity	4- 103321- 5	Jumper, 3-pole, both open	https: //eu. mouser. com/ ProductDe TE-Conne 4-103321- qs= 5TwgZeqS 3D%3D	0.34	0.34

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Com- ponent	Quan- tity	Cost per unit	Mouser ref	Manu- facturer	Manu- facturer refer- ence	De- scrip- tion	Web link	Costs (w. STP16NF	Costs (w. ZVN06A)	
G5LE- 1A DC12	32	1.18	653- G5LE- 1ADC12	Omron Elec- tronics	G5LE- 1A DC12	Omron G5LE relay, Minia- ture Single Pole, SPDT, 10A	https: //eu. mouser. com/ ProductDe Omron-El G5LE-1A- qs= sGAEpiM 3D	37.76	37.76	oJCrqXrP4H3
STP16NF	32	1.08	511- STP16NF(STMi- croelec- tronics	STP16NF	30A Id, 50V Vds, N- Channel Power MOS- FET, TO-220	https: //eu. mouser. com/ ProductDe STMicroe STP16NF(qs= FOImdCx' 252BAA3 3D%3D	34.56		
ZVN4206	32	0.60	522- ZVN4206	Diodes Incorpo- rated	ZVN4206	30A Id, 50V Vds, N- Channel Power MOS- FET, TO-220	https: //eu. mouser. com/ ProductDe Diodes-In ZVN4206 qs= %2F4dsY: 2FUxLhPe 3D%3D		19.20	
100k	34	0.10	594- 5063JD10	Vishay / Beyschlag	MBA0204	Resistor	https: //eu. mouser. com/ ProductDe Vishay-Be MBA0204 qs= mzRxyRlł 2F5Q% 3D%3D	3.40	3.40	

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MCP2301 2 1.53 579- MCP2301 crochip ESP Mi- MCP2301 crochip ESP MCP2301 crochip ESP 16-bit Poulocrochic Poulocrochic eronys, ProductDy w pull- ge= 28 https: molocy 3.06 3.06 2-way 2 0.30 \$71-1- 2 TE 1- mology 16-bit Poulocrochic ups. https: mology 0.60 0.60 0.60 2-way 2 0.30 \$71-1- 2 TE 1- mology 10- mology - mology //cu. mouser. 0.60 0.60 2-way 2 0.30 \$71-1- 2 TE 1- mology - mouser. //cu. mouser. 0.60 0.60 28-way 2 2.36 \$75- 199328 Mill- Naz 110-9- 2.54mm - mouser. //cu. mouser. 4.72 4.72 28-way 2 2.36 \$75- 199328 Max 10-9- 2.54mm https: molocrochic 28 4.72 4.72 10/20158. Fibe- 10/2 Fibre 10/2 Com/ molocrochic 10/2 10/20158 Timelogita 10/20158 Fibre 10/2 27.00 27.00 BKL <th>Com- ponent</th> <th>Quan- tity</th> <th>Cost per unit</th> <th>Mouser ref</th> <th>Manu- facturer</th> <th>Manu- facturer</th> <th>De- scrip-</th> <th>Web link</th> <th>Costs (w.</th> <th>Costs (w.</th> <th></th>	Com- ponent	Quan- tity	Cost per unit	Mouser ref	Manu- facturer	Manu- facturer	De- scrip-	Web link	Costs (w.	Costs (w.	
MCP2301 2 1.53 579- MCP2301 (PSP) Mi- recripting (PSP) MCP2301 (PSP) 16-bit (Portex, pander, nology) Itps: (Portex, pander, mouser, (Participting) 3.06 3.06 2-way 2 0.30 571-1- (SST) TE 1- (SST)						ence	lion		STP16NF	ZVINU6A)	
2-way 2 0.30 571-1- TE 1- https:: 0.60 0.60 1000000000000000000000000000000000000	MCP2301	2	1.53	579- MCP2301 E/SP	Mi- crochip Tech- nology	MCP2301 E/SP	16-bit I/O ex- pander, I2C, in- terrupts, w pull- ups, SPDIP- 28	https: //eu. mouser. com/ ProductD& Microchip MCP2301 qs= usxtMOJb 3D%3D	3.06	3.06	
28-way 2 2.36 575- Mill- 110-99- 2.54mm https: 4.72 4.72 socket 199328 Max 328-41- Pitch //eu. mouser. 28 Way, com/ mouser. 28 Way, com/ ProductDe Hole Mill-Max/ Turned 110-99-32 Pin IC qs= Dip WZeyYeq Socket, 3D%3D 3D BKL 1 elec- tronic com/p/ Mttps: 27.00 27.00 reaction of the second of the se	2-way jumper	2	0.30	571-1- 881545- 2	TE Connec- tivity	1- 881545- 2	•	https: //eu. mouser. com/ ProductDe TE-Conne 1-881545- qs= G55MHhH 2FD4w% 3D%3D	0.60	0.60	
BKL 1 BLK 10120158, https: 27.00 27.00 Elec- elec- //www. conrad. 10120158, m-cable-conrad. 10120158, com/p/ bkl-electrix n-cable-conrad. cable searchTern contact 1548658& spacing: searchTyp 1.27 suggest& mm 16 searchSug product mm Multi-coloured 10 m product	28-way socket	2	2.36	575- 199328	Mill- Max	110-99- 328-41- 001000	2.54mm Pitch Vertical 28 Way, Through Hole Turned Pin IC Dip Socket, 3A	https: //eu. mouser. com/ ProductDe Mill-Max/ 110-99-32 qs= WZeyYeq 3D%3D	4.72	4.72	
10 11	BKL Elec- tronic 10120158, Ribbon cable Contact spacing: 1.27 mm 16 x 0.08 mm Multi- coloured 10 m	1			BLK elec- tronic	10120158,	JA	https: //www. conrad. com/p/ bkl-electro searchTerri 1548658& searchTyp suggest& searchSug product	27.00	27.00	n-cable-cont

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Com- ponent	Quan- tity	Cost per unit	Mouser ref	Manu- facturer	Manu- facturer refer- ence	De- scrip- tion	Web link	Costs (w. STP16NF	Costs (w. ZVN06A)
TOTAL								120.36	105.00

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Mounting components on PCB board

MUX board v2024 PCB (mux.2024.0.0).





Mount the diodes.



Mount the 100 kOhm resistors.



Mount the mosfets. You can choose between ZVN4206A or STP16NF06L.

Warning

In the PCB v2024.0.1, the white footprint of the ZVN4206A is upside-down. Please double check that the "drain" pin of the ZVN goes to the relay and the "source" pin goes to the ground. In doubt, refer to the ZVN datasheet. The white footprint on the PCB is corrected in v2024.0.2.



Mount the MCP23017 sockets and the capacitors.

Warning

Electrolytic capacitors (C3 and C4) are polarized. Make sure that the short lead (-) of these capacitors is soldered on the white side of the footprint.



Mount the screw connectors and the IDC connectors. Note that if a board is dedicated to be configured in 2-role mode, the electrode takeouts can be mounted with 8 screw connectors only (on electrodes 1-8) and potentially a 8 position IDC connector for the IDC takeout.



Mount the relays.



Defining role configuration

The MUX board v2024 can be configured in 2- or 4-role mode, i.e managing either current injection (2 roles AB) or voltage reading (2 roles MN), or a combination of both (4 roles ABMN). This means that one board can either address 16 electrodes on 2 roles (X,Y for A,B or M,N), or 8 electrodes on 4 roles (labelled X,Y,XX,YY for A,B,M,N). An OhmPi system can manage a combination of 2-role and 4-role MUX boards as long as the 2-role boards come in pairs (e.g. 2 2-role MUX and 1 4-role MUX for 24 electrodes).

2-role configuration

Configuring a board in 2-role mode enables each board to manage either the injection (AB) or the voltage reading (MN) roles. This configuration is the preferred way to build systems with an even number of MUX boards (for 16, 32, 48 electrodes). In this configuration, each pair of MUX boards will feature a board for injection (AB) and a board for voltage reading (MN) However, when assembling an OhmPi, keep in mind that 2-role mode MUX boards have to come in pairs.

To enable the 2-role mode, 2 "roles" solder jumpers have to be bridged in the front side of the PCB next to the roles connector. To do so, the two jumper pads of each bridge have to be soldered (making a nice pillow shape). This will connect roles X and roles XX together, as well as roles Y and YY together. In this way, the board is configured in 2-role mode. You can verify that the pair of roles X - XX and Y - YY are well connected by doing continuity checks with a digital voltmeter.

Warning

Make sure that the 8 "electrodes" solder jumpers at the back of the PCB are NOT bridged to avoid risks of shortcuts !

4-role configuration

Configuring a board in 4-role mode enables each board to manage both injection and voltage reading roles. In this configuration, systems with an odd number of MUX boards can be assembled (for systems with 8, 24, 40, 56,... electrodes). To do so, the 8 "electrodes" solder jumpers at the back of the PCB have to be bridged (making nice pillow shapes). In this way relays of the following electrodes are paired together (albeit on different roles A, B, M and N): 1-16, 2-15, 3-14, 4-13, 5-12, 6-11, 7-10, 8-9. You can verify that these combinations are connected together by continuity checks with a digital voltmeter. It is best practice to only mount 8 screw connectors on the electrodes takeouts (and potentially only a 8 position IDC connector) to avoid confusion when cabling the system.

Warning

Make sure that the two "roles" solder jumpers at the front remain NOT bridged to avoid risks of shortcuts !

MUX board addresses

Each MUX board v2024 comes with 2 I/O expanders MCP23017, addressing 16 relays each. They expose a pair of two I2C addresses on the I2C bus in the range 0x20 - 0x27. Two 2-way jumpers placed on the 3-pin headers next to the IDC connector at the bottom of the board allow to shift the addresses two by two. There is 4 possible combinations for the jumpers which give the following addresses:

Jumper position	Jumper position	I2C
Addr1	Addr2	addresses
Up	Up	0x20 - 0x21
Down	Up	0x22 - 0x23
Up	Down	0x24 - 0x25
Down	Down	0x26 - 0x27

The jumper positions of each ('up' or 'down' have to be carefully filled in the configuration file). One can check the I2C addresses visible on the I2C bus by typing the following command on the Raspberry Pi terminal, assuming that the MUX boards are powered and correctly connected to the measurement board:

i2cdetect -y 4

Replace "-y 4" by "-y 1" if the MUX is plugged on the "board" IDC connector, or if plugged in to a mb.2023.0.X board.

1.8.2 2-role vs 4 role

The cabling of several MUX boards v2024 within an OhmPi system is entirely dependent on the role configuration of each board.

- 2-role MUX boards have to come in pairs. The 16 electrodes takeouts of each pair have to be cabled together. This is easily done with a ribbon cable plugged on the 16-way IDC connectors of the pair of boards. This also allows to stack two boards together leaving the screw connectors of the board on the top accessible to connect wires from the electrode arrays.
- 4-role MUX boards do not have to come in pairs. The 4 roles of each board have to be connected to the other 4 roles of the system (and at least to the ABMN connector on the measurement board). The electrodes connectors can only be used to address the first 8 or the last 8 positions. This is critical if wanting to connect the electrodes via the IDC connectors, which will have to be carefully cabled.

1.8.3 Checks

Use the picture and table below to manually check with a multimeter for continuity and expected voltage in the board. Check your board against the correct expected column: 2-roles or 4-roles.

With power off

If a continuity check does not pass it likely means there is an issue with the soldering on the board.

Name	Power	Туре	Multiplexer BLACK probe	Multiplexer RED probe	Expected 2 roles	Expected 4 roles		
SC1	off	continuity	screw terminal GND	screw terminal PWR	no continuity	no continuity		
SC2	off	continuity	screw terminal role x	screw terminal role y	no continuity	no continuity		
SC3	off	continuity	screw terminal role x	screw terminal role xx	continuity	no continuity		
SC4	off	continuity	screw terminal role x	screw terminal role yy	no continuity	no continuity		
SC5	off	continuity	screw terminal role y	screw terminal role xx	no continuity	no continuity		
SC6	off	continuity	screw terminal role y	screw terminal role yy	continuity	no continuity		
SC7	off	continuity	screw terminal role xx	screw terminal role yy	no continuity	no continuity		
SC8	off	continuity	screw terminal elec 1	screw terminal elec 2	no continuity	no continuity		

Table 8: Hardware check

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Name	Power	Туре	Multiplexer BLACK probe	Multiplexer RED probe	Expected 2 roles	Expected 4 roles
SC9	off	continuity	screw terminal elec 2	screw terminal elec 3	no continuity	no continuity
SC10	off	continuity	screw terminal elec 3	screw terminal elec 4	no continuity	no continuity
SC11	off	continuity	screw terminal elec 4	screw terminal elec 5	no continuity	no continuity
SC12	off	continuity	screw terminal elec 5	screw terminal elec 6	no continuity	no continuity
SC13	off	continuity	screw terminal elec 6	screw terminal elec 7	no continuity	no continuity
SC14	off	continuity	screw terminal elec 7	screw terminal elec 8	no continuity	no continuity
SC15	off	continuity	screw terminal elec 8	screw terminal elec 9	no continuity	continuity
SC16	off	continuity	screw terminal elec 9	screw terminal elec 10	no continuity	no continuity
SC17	off	continuity	screw terminal elec 10	screw terminal elec 11	no continuity	no continuity
SC18	off	continuity	screw terminal elec 11	screw terminal elec 12	no continuity	no continuity
SC19	off	continuity	screw terminal elec 12	screw terminal elec 13	no continuity	no continuity
SC20	off	continuity	screw terminal elec 13	screw terminal elec 14	no continuity	no continuity
SC21	off	continuity	screw terminal elec 14	screw terminal elec 15	no continuity	no continuity
SC22	off	continuity	screw terminal elec 15	screw terminal elec 16	no continuity	no continuity
SC23	off	continuity	screw terminal elec 1	screw terminal elec 16	no continuity	continuity
SC24	off	continuity	screw terminal elec 2	screw terminal elec 15	no continuity	continuity
SC25	off	continuity	screw terminal elec 3	screw terminal elec 14	no continuity	continuity
SC26	off	continuity	screw terminal elec 4	screw terminal elec 13	no continuity	continuity
SC27	off	continuity	screw terminal elec 5	screw terminal elec 12	no continuity	continuity
SC28	off	continuity	screw terminal elec 6	screw terminal elec 11	no continuity	continuity
SC29	off	continuity	screw terminal elec 7	screw terminal elec 10	no continuity	continuity
SC30	off	continuity	screw terminal elec 8	screw terminal elec 9	no continuity	continuity
SC31	off	continuity	screw terminal elec 1	IDC connector elec 1	continuity	continuity
SC32	off	continuity	screw terminal elec 2	IDC connector elec 2	continuity	continuity
SC33	off	continuity	screw terminal elec 3	IDC connector elec 3	continuity	continuity
SC34	off	continuity	screw terminal elec 4	IDC connector elec 4	continuity	continuity
SC35	off	continuity	screw terminal elec 5	IDC connector elec 5	continuity	continuity
SC36	off	continuity	screw terminal elec 6	IDC connector elec 6	continuity	continuity
SC37	off	continuity	screw terminal elec 7	IDC connector elec 7	continuity	continuity
SC38	off	continuity	screw terminal elec 8	IDC connector elec 8	continuity	continuity
SC39	off	continuity	screw terminal elec 9	IDC connector elec 9	continuity	continuity
SC40	off	continuity	screw terminal elec 10	IDC connector elec 10	continuity	continuity
SC41	off	continuity	screw terminal elec 11	IDC connector elec 11	continuity	continuity
SC42	off	continuity	screw terminal elec 12	IDC connector elec 12	continuity	continuity
SC43	off	continuity	screw terminal elec 13	IDC connector elec 13	continuity	continuity
SC44	off	continuity	screw terminal elec 14	IDC connector elec 14	continuity	continuity
SC45	off	continuity	screw terminal elec 15	IDC connector elec 15	continuity	continuity
SC46	off	continuity	screw terminal elec 16	IDC connector elec 16	continuity	continuity

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Warning

Do not power the board if one of the SC (short circuit) tests does not pass!

Hint

For the tests in the following table where power on is required, power the board through the I2C input (IDC connector) via the ribbon cable. Do not power the board through the screw connector GND +12V.



With power on

 Table 9: Hardware check

Name	Power	Туре	Multiplexer probe	BLACK	Multiple probe	exer	RED	Expected roles	2	Expected roles	4
C1	off	continu- ity	screw termina	l GND	both VSS	MCP	23017	continuity		continuity	
C2	off	continu- ity	screw termina	l GND	I2C inpu	it GNE)	continuity		continuity	
C3	off	continu- ity	I2C input SDA	A	both SDA	MCP	23017	continuity		continuity	
C4	off	continu- ity	I2C input SCI	<u>_</u>	both SCK	MCP	23017	continuity		continuity	
V1	on	voltage	screw termina	l GND	both VDD	MCP	23017	5V		5V	

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1.9 Power supply

Two sources of power are available now:

- a DC power source (e.g. a 12V battery)
- a regulated power supply (DPH5005)

1.9.1 External TX battery

With the measurement board v2024, you can connect the Tx battery following the schematic below. In this simple configuration, a fixed power source, such as a 12V battery is used for the injection. The + and - battery terminals are routed to the TX-batt input + and GND connectors. Then the DPS input and DPS out connectors need to be bypassed.



Fig. 38: Wiring of a TX battery used as power module (no DPH5005)

The config file needs to be adapted accordingly with the relevant battery voltage (12 V by default). Since the battery voltage (V_AB) can't be measured by OhmPi, you should account for a potential ~10% uncertainty on R_AB, which will depend on the battery voltage level.

```
Listing 1: Example config pwr_batt in HARDWARE_CONFIG
```

```
'pwr': {'model': 'pwr_batt', 'voltage': 12., 'interface_name': 'none'}
```

1.9.2 Digital power supply (DPH5005)

This digital power supply allows to inject up to 50 V and also to regulate the voltage. It needs to be connected to a 12V battery and can be controlled via USB using *modbus* by the raspberrypi.

To assemble DPH5005, please follow the links:

DPH5005 manual

```
DPH5005 case manual
```

We recommend to purchase a DPH5005 together with a casing and a microUSB adapter.



The default OhmPi config uses a modbus baud rate of 19200, which optimises the communication time with the DPH5005. Since the baud rate is set to 9600 by default on the DPH5005, you will have to manually change it to 19200.

Note

Change the Baud rate from 9600 to 19200, press and maintain **V/<up arrow>** button while powering on the DPH with the button in the back, you acces to a new menu. Using the V/<up arrow> and A/<down arrow> + pressing and turning the button, change **BAUD** to 19200. When done, double press 'SET' to reboot normally.

Make sure to follow the setup as below (also to be seen in the assembly guide). The DPH5005 needs to be powered from the DPS input connectors, so that the measurement board can switch it on and off as required. The DPS power output is wired to the DPS OUT connectors, as in the figure below. Then a USB to microUSB cable needs to be plugged in to one USB port of the Raspberry Pi.

Then, the config file needs to be adapted accordingly, and the default output voltage can also be specified.

Listing 2: Example config pwr_dph5005 in HARDWARE_CONFIG

```
'pwr': {'model': 'pwr_dph5005', 'voltage': 5.}
```

Warning

Only use DPH5005 with the measurement board v2024

Warning

We sometimes refer to DPS (Digital Power Supply) as a general power supply different from the 12V battery. But this DOES NOT refer to the DPS5005 component (step down DC/DC). The component used in the documentation is the DPH5005 (boost DC/DC converter).



Fig. 39: Wiring of the DPH5005

1.9.3 Charging the batteries

It is not recommended to measure with the OhmPi when the Rx or Tx battery is charging (from solar panel or the grid). Indeed, the charger can introduce electronic noise (50/60 Hz) but also perturb the stabilisation of the DPH5005 that will have a harder time to maintain a constant voltage during the injection on-time. We then recommend to disable the charger (using an electronic switch for example) when doing measurement with the OhmPi.

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1.10 Raspberry Pi components

Required components	Quantity
Raspberry Pi 4 Model B	1
Micro SD 32 Go	1
HDMI Cable	1
Computer mouse	1
Computer Keyboard	1

The first step is to start up the Raspberry Pi board, including installation of an OS (operating system). For this step, the installation instructions are well described on the Raspberry website

- 1. Watch the video how to set up your raspberry Pi.
- 2. The authors recommend installing the latest stable and complete version of Raspberry Pi OS (Previously called Raspbian) by using Raspberry Pi Imager.

3. or you can visit this website.

Note

All the development tests were performed on Raspberry Pi 3 Model B and Raspberry Pi 4 Model B

To install the Raspberry Pi, please refer to the *Software installation* section.

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1.11 System configurations

In previous sections, we described the various components that compose Ohmpi. Today, version 1.0x is no longer maintained, but all boards from v2023 upwards are compatible with each other. This is the major innovation of 2024. Depending on your needs and applications, you can choose the board you are going to use.

Recommended configurations

Applications	Measurement Board	Mux	Raspberry Pi	Power supply	Config file name	
64 or more electrodes for field monitoring	mb v2024	Mux v2023	Raspberry Pi 3 Model B or 4 model B	DPH5005	con- fig_mb_2024_0_2	4_mux_2023_d
8, 16, 32, 48 electrodes for field monitoring	mb v2024	Mux v2024	Raspberry Pi 3 Model B or 4 model B	DPH5005	con- fig_mb_2024_0_2	4_mux_2024_2
8, 16, 32, 48 electrodes for laboratory monitoring	mb v2024	Mux v2024	Raspberry Pi 3 Model B or 4 model B	12V Battery	con- fig_mb_2024_0_2	4_mux_2024_2
4 electrodes concrete sample Laboratory (Rhoa and IP)	mb v2024	None	Raspberry Pi 3 Model B	DPH5005	con- fig_mb_2024_0_2	_dph5005.py
4 electrodes soil sample laboratory (Rhoa and IP)	mb v2024	None	Raspberry Pi 3 Model B	12V Battery	con- fig_mb_2024_0_2.	ру.
4 electrodes-soil sample laboratory (only Rhoa)	mb v2023	None	Raspberry Pi 3 Model B	12V Battery	con- fig_mb_2023.py	

Another possible combination is to use MUX v2023 with MUX v2024 together, which allows to add series of 8 electrodes to a 64-electrode system. This could be handful if ones is looking to build e.g. a 96 electrode system, which would therefore feature 4 MUX 2023 (64 electrodes) + 4 MUX 2024 (32 electrodes).

Below we detail examples of OhmPi systems assemblies in different versions.

Warning

We strongly recommend to test the assembled system in a controlled environment (in the lab, on resistor boards)

before deploying in the field!



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1.12 Assembling an OhmPi Lite (16 electrodes)

1 Measurement board v2024 + 2 MUX board v2024 + 1 Digital power supply (DPH5005)

Here, we present the schematics of a 16-electrode OhmPi system made of 1 mb.2024, 2 MUX.2024 and 1 DPH5005. This tutorial aims to illustrate one way of assembling a system using the MUX 2024 boards. For a detailed photo description of the cabling and assembling processes, please have a look at steps 2 to 7 and 14 to 17 of *Assembling an OhmPi Lite (32 electrodes)* tutorial.

This particular assembling is done thanks to two plexiglass plates (DXF files: base, top) and different spacers.

Warning

In this set-up, the MUX 2024 boards are configured in 2-role mode (see 2-role configuration). This means that each MUX board addresses 2 roles (AB or MN) and 16 electrodes. So one needs at least two MUX boards to be able to make ABMN measurements. Mounting the MUX boards in 2-role mode allows to take advantage of the electrode IDC connectors to connect more easily reference circuits for lab testing. Mounting a system with MUX 2024 boards each set-up in 4-role mode (see 4-role configuration) is also possible but implies cabling the boards differently as to what is illustrated in this tutorial. 4-role mode is mainly designed for 8-electrode systems, or for set up where users are only connecting electrode wires via the screw terminals.

It is also most recommended to having tested each MUX board individually (see *Checks*) before mounting them together.





Warning

At this point in the build, we consider that you have followed the instructions in Software installation section

Please connect both 12 V Battery for RX and TX.

For direct use of Raspberry Pi Connect Screen, mouse and keyboard, for remote control use SSH or VNC.

Now it is possible to carry out the first test on a reference circuit. See tests in *Assembling the 64-electrode OhmPi* for more details.

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1.13 Assembling an OhmPi Lite (32 electrodes)

1 Measurement board v2024 + 4 MUX board v2024 + 1 Digital power supply (DPH5005)

Here, we present how to build a 32-electrode OhmPi system using 1 mb.2024, 4 MUX.2024 and 1 DPH5005. This

tutorial aims to illustrate one way of assembling a system using the MUX 2024 boards. It provides a working base, with room for improvement. Any idea to improve this design is welcome. Those who wish to build a 16-electrode OhmPi system can neglect steps 8-10, and adjust cable lengths/numbers accordingly.

Warning

In this set-up, the MUX 2024 boards are configured in 2-role mode (see 2-role configuration). This means that each MUX board addresses 2 roles (AB or MN) and 16 electrodes. So one needs at least two MUX boards to be able to make ABMN measurements. Mounting the MUX boards in 2-role mode allows to take advantage of the electrode IDC connectors to connect more easily reference circuits for lab testing. Mounting a system with MUX 2024 boards each set-up in 4-role mode (see 4-role configuration) is also possible but implies cabling the boards differently as to what is illustrated in this tutorial. 4-role mode is mainly designed for 8-electrode systems, or for set up where users are only connecting electrode wires via the screw terminals.

It is also most recommended to having tested each MUX board individually (see *Checks*) before mounting them together.




Make sure that the connectors are always on the same orientation with respect to the wires colour scheme (check with respect to latch position)



Connectors can face up and down but colours scheme with respect to latch needs to match

Warning

In MUX2024, the wiring of the electrodes from the IDC connector follows the order below (different from MUX2023). Take this into account if you wire your ribbon cable to further connectors or screw terminals.



Warning

At this point in the build, we consider that you have followed the instructions in Software installation section

Please connect both 12 V Battery for RX and TX.

For direct use of Raspberry Pi Connect Screen, mouse and keyboard, for remote control use SSH or VNC.

Now it is possible to carry out the first test on a reference circuit. See tests in *Assembling the 64-electrode OhmPi* for more details.

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1.14 Assembling the 64-electrode OhmPi

1 Measurement board v2024 + 4 MUX board v2023 + 1 Digital power supply (DPH5005)

TODO :list on tools and components



Cut 4 ribbon cables composed of 16 wires each to the proper length (about 1.5m). Each wire corresponds to an electrode.



Crimp the ribbon cable on the corresponding idc connector with a suitable clamp. Pay attention to the direction of the cables. Unbalanced IDC connector. The ribbon cable must be perpendicular to the connector.



Example of IDC connector mounting. The wires should run as perpendicular as possible to the IDC connector.

Warning

In MUX2024, the wiring of the electrodes from the IDC connector follows the order below (different from MUX2023). Take this into account if you wire your ribbon cable to further connectors or screw terminals.

















connector is clipped in place.



IDC connectors





Mount and fix the second MUX board "B" on the first with the help of 9 spacers.



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Repeat the operation for the other 3 ribbon cables.











1.14. Assembling the 64-electrode OhmPi









Cut a PVC/wood plate with the following minimum dimensions : 410 mm * 280 mm * 4 mm, and drill hole (M 3.5 mm)

















Install the measurement board on the Raspberry Pi, and fix the 4 screws (M3).







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Prepare two wires (~15 cm, 1.5 mm², black and red), and and install two banana plugs and connect the measurement board and the input of DPH5005 (on the back side)



and install two banana plugs and connect the measurement board (DPS+ and GND) and the output of DPH5005 (front side)





board.




Warning

At this point in the build, we consider that you have followed the instructions in Software installation section

Please connect both 12 V Battery for RX and TX.

For direct use of Raspberry Pi Connect Screen, mouse and keybord, for remote control use SSH or VNC.

Now it is possible to carry out the first test on a reference circuit.

Write de following python script your OhmPi folder

```
import os
import numpy as np
import time
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
os.chdir("/home/pi/OhmPi")
from ohmpi.ohmpi import OhmPi
k = OhmPi()
```



k.test_mux()

You should hear each of the 256 MUX board relays activate and deactivate 1 at a time.

k.run_measurement(quad=[1,4,2,3], tx_volt = 5., strategy = 'constant', dutycycle=0.5)

A measurement will start, and you should obtain your first measurement, with a value of R = 100 ohm (R1 on the equivalent circuit).

If not check, your cable connection and batteries

You can now connect the 4 cables of each MUX to the screw terminals of the measurement board identified ABMN.

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1.15 Assembling the OhmPi v2023

1 Measurement board v2023 + 4 MUX board v2023 + 1 External TX battery



Cut 4 ribbon cables composed of 16 wires each to the proper length (about 1.5m). Each wire corresponds to an electrode.



Crimp the ribbon cable on the corresponding idc connector with a suitable clamp. Pay attention to the direction of the cables. Unbalanced IDC connector. The ribbon cable must be perpendicular to the connector.



Example of IDC connector mounting. The wires should run as perpendicular as possible to the IDC connector.

Warning

In MUX2023, the wiring of the electrodes from the IDC connector follows the order below (different from MUX2024). Take this into account if you wire your ribbon cable to further connectors or screw terminals.









Position 9 spacers above the MUX board, and 9 spacers below



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Cut a 50 cm long wire of any color (here yellow). Strip and tin each end of the wire. Install the wire "A" on the screw terminal of MUX board « A ».



Cut a red wire and a black wire of 50 cm length. Strip, tin and position the wires on the left screw terminal as shown in the picture: i)Red wire 12 V, ii) Black wire GND



Mount the 4 ribbon cables (16-wires each) with IDC connectors. A small noise is often heard when the IDC connector is clipped in place.





Cut a red wire and a black wire of 10 cm length. Strip and tin the wires at the ends. Mount the red wire on the 12V input and the black wire on the GND input on the right screw terminal.



Mount and fix the second MUX board "B" on the first with the help of 9 spacers.



Cut, strip and tin a red wire and a black wire of 10 cm length. Mount the wires on the left screw terminal. Red wire 12V input, black wire GND input. Connect the red and black wires from board A to the right screw terminal of board B. Red wire 12V input. Black wire GND input.



Crimp a 16 wires IDC connector on the ribbon cable at about 15 cm from the previous connector. Please, pay attention to the direction of the cable before the crimp procedure. Mount the ribbon cable on the IDC connector on the board.



Repeat the operation for the other 3 ribbon cables.





Cut a 50 cm long wire "here purple" (Color not relevant but to be defined). Strip and tin the wire at its ends. Position the wire on the input B of the screw terminal of the multiplexing board B.



Repeat all these operations for the third MUX board called "M".



Repeat the operations for the fourth MUX Boards. Attention, it is necessary to position 5 different spacers (here nylon screw hex spacers) in between the "M" board and the "N" MUX Board (as shown on the photograph). Refer to the following photographs for more details on the assembly of the spacers



When mounting the 4th MUX board ("N"), screws can be placed on the nylon spacers to fix the boards together. Note that the other spacers could be used for this purpose. Connect ribbon cables (16 wires) from board 3 to board 4 as previously described. Connect the red wire (12V) of MUX board "M" to the 12V terminal of the right screw terminal of MUX Board "N". Connect the black wire (GND) of MUX board "M" to the GND screw terminal on MUX board "N".



Cut a red wire and a black wire of one meter length. Place the red wire on terminal "12V" and the black wire on terminal "GND" of the left screw terminal. The the wires together.







Drill the plate to mount it on the remaining metal spacers. Do not tighten the assembly.



Position the Raspberry Pi (RPI) board on the plate so that you can access the USB ports. Mark the holes of the RPI board on the plate for mounting.







Position and fix the RPI card on the spacers



Add spacers on the RPI board. The red (12V) and black (GND) wires coming out of the "M" MUX board must pass under the RPI board.



Place the measurement board on the RPI GPIO outputs and on the pre-positioned spacers. Note that LEDs are present on this measurement board with an associated resistance simply for testing purposes (do not consider this temporary modification of the board). Same for the orange wire present on the board.



Connect the wires "A" (here yellow), "B" (here purple), "M" (here brown) and "N" (here blue) on the corresponding terminal blocks on the measurement board. Connect the 6 wires ribbon cable on the measurement board by passing under the PVC plate.Connect the red and black wires to the 12 V and GND terminal block.







Zoom in on the connection of the M and N wires.





Zoom in on the connection of the « 12V » and « GND » wires.



Fixing the measurement board on the spacers present on the RPI board.



Place the SD card containing the OS and the pre-installed programs. Connect a mouse and a keyboard to the USB inputs of the RPI board. Connect a monitor to the HDMI output of the RPI board.



Connect the red and black cables of board A to a 12V battery or other laboratory power supply delivering a 12VDC voltage. Enjoy

1.16 Deployment

1.16.1 Checklist

The list below contains all steps for a successfull installation (mostly applicable to monitoring installation). We strongly encourage users to print it and check all the points during preparation in the lab and field deployment.

Check list for new installation

1.16.2 Register your OhmPi

If you want your system to appear on the map of OhmPi and be part of the OhmPi family, you can register your OhmPi. This will also enable you to receive notification when a new version of the hardware/software is available.

1.17 Software architecture

The OhmPi v2024 software has been completely re-structured to enable increased flexibility for both users and developers. The software is based on an object-oriented module with a class exposing the OhmPi functionalities used to interact with the OhmPi instrument via a web interface, IoT communication protocols (e.g. MQTT) and/or directly through the Python API.



Fig. 40: Software architecture of OhmPi v2024.

The software is organised in several modules describing the system in a hierarchy including three levels of description and operation of the OhmPi.

1.17.1 Acquisition

On the top level, the OhmPi class (in ohmpi/ohmpi.py) includes all the higher-level methods and properties allowing to operate the system (e.g. acquire measurement sequences). The OhmPi class exposes the user-oriented API, generates logs and handles IoT messages. Generic users are expected to interact with the system through these higher-level functionalities, which are designed to remain as stable as possible while the hardware evolves. Only the introduction of new end-user functionalities should imply new developments at this level.

1.17.2 Hardware system

On the medium level, the OhmPiHardware class provides a mean to assemble and operate the acquisition system. The methods of this class orchestrate atomic operations of the system components in order to expose basic system functionalities such as cross-MUX switching, square wave voltage injection or full waveform voltage and current reading during injection cycles. These functionalities are implemented using synchronization mechanisms between threads in
order to insure that each component keeps in step with the others. The whole system is described in a *configuration file* listing the hardware components and versions used. Through a dynamic import mechanism the modules containing the classes corresponding with the physical hardware modules of a particular OhmPi system are instantiated and associated with the system object instantiated from the OhmPiHardware class. In this way, it is relatively simple to build customised systems once the concrete classes describing the system components have been written. This part of the software architecture should remain stable if the overall system functionalities do not evolve. However, the introduction of new functionalities at the system level or radical changes in the way the components work together will require adaptations at this level.

1.17.3 Hardware components

On the base level, the five main hardware components are represented by distinct classes exposing the components atomic functionalities. Theses classes are abstract classes in order to provide a common interface for different implementations of a component. From these abstract classes concrete classes are implemented representing the default properties, actual capabilities and ways to interact with the physical modules or boards. Improving an existing hardware component or introducing a new design may be desirable in order to, e.g. reduce costs, improve performance, adapt measurement range to specific applications, or incorporate easily available electronic components. It is at this level that software developments are mainly expected to occur following updates on the hardware. The component class should expose the minimal functionalities required by the hardware system for this type of component.

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1.18 Software installation

1.18.1 Step 1: Set up the Raspberry Pi

First, install an operating system on the Raspberry Pi by following the official instructions

Then connect to the Raspberry Pi either via ssh or using an external monitor.

For all questions related to Raspberry Pi operations, please refer to the official documentation

In the "Raspberry Pi Configuration" (graphically: start button > Preferences > Raspberry Pi Configuration; in command line: *raspi-config*), in the 'Interfaces' tab, make sure **I2C is enabled**. That will allow the Pi to communicate with the OhmPi measurement board.

1.18.2 Step 2: Clone the OhmPi project

You need to clone the OhmPi repository on the Raspberry Pi with the following command:

```
git clone https://gitlab.com/ohmpi/ohmpi.git
```

Note that the project moved from the Gitlab IRSTEA to gitlab.com in January 2024. The Gitlab IRSTEA is synced as a read-only clone from the gitlab.com.

1.18.3 Step 3: Run the installation script

Simply navigate to the OhmPi folder:

cd ohmpi

And run the following command on the terminal:

```
./install.sh
```

The install script:

- creates an python virtual environment called "ohmpy" in which all dependencies will be installed;
- installs all **dependencies** specified in requirements.txt;
- installs a **local MQTT broker** which will be used to centralize all the communication between the hardware, the software and the interfaces;
- configures the I2C buses on the Raspberry Pi.

1.18.4 Step 4: Activate the ohmpy virtual environment

Before operating the instrument, we need to activate the *ohmpy* virtual environment with the following command:

source env.sh

The script env.sh will automatically activate the environment and set the PYTHONPATH variable to be able to find the OhmPi Python package.

You can also do these steps manually to activate the environment:

```
cd ~/OhmPi
source ohmpy/bin/activate
```

If you need to leave the virtual environment, simply type:

```
deactivate
```

To automatically set the PYTHONPATH variable for each new terminal windows, you can edit the .bashrc file as follows:

nano ~/.bashrc

And add the following line corresponding:

export PYTHONPATH=\$PYTHONPATH:/home/<username>/ohmpi

Replace <username> by your username on the Raspberry Pi (e.g.: /home/pi/ohmpi).

Following these steps, you are now ready to operate the OhmPi.

1.19 System operation

This section describes how to operate an OhmPi instrument.

Contents:

1.19.1 Configuration

The configuration file *config.py* defines how the OhmPi system is assembled and expected to behave. It tells the software how the hardware is set up, cabled and configured. In certain cases, it also allows you to define hardware specifications, such as the maximum voltage that a specific MUX board can handle. For general purpose, most specifications can be left on default values.

Warning

Not to be confused with *Acquisition settings*. One configuration specified in a config.py file can handle multiple combinations of acquisition settings.

Default configuration

A default version of *config.py* is provided in the repository. This file should be edited to customize the configuration following the user's needs and preferences. A series of default configuration files are available in the configs folder. A simple helper command can help you select the appropriate configuration file depending on your version of the measurement board and type of MUX boards. The helper will ask you a few questions and will select the right configuration for your case. It can be called in via the terminal as

python setup_config.py

Still, it is best practice to open the configuration file and check that the parameters are correctly configured. Updating the configuration file manually is mandatory for custom systems combining different versions of the measurement and MUX boards.

Warning

One should make sure to understand the parameters before altering them. It is also recommended to keep a copy of the default configuration.

Configuration file structure

Listing 3: Config file header

```
import logging
from ohmpi.utils import get_platform
from paho.mqtt.client import MQTTv31 # noqa
_, on_pi = get_platform()
# DEFINE THE ID OF YOUR OhmPi
ohmpi_id = '0001' if on_pi else 'XXXX'
# DEFINE YOUR MQTT BROKER (DEFAULT: 'localhost')
mqtt_broker = 'localhost' if on_pi else 'NAME_YOUR_BROKER_WHEN_IN_SIMULATION_MODE_HERE'
# DEFINE THE SUFFIX TO ADD TO YOUR LOGS FILES
logging_suffix = ''
```

The configuration is written in a python file structured in a series of dictionaries related to:

1. OHMPI_CONFIG: the OhmPi instrument information (id of the instrument and default settings).

Listing 4: OHMPI_CONFIG: Dictionary containing basic information about the OhmPi instrument

```
# OhmPi configuration
OHMPI_CONFIG = {
    'id': ohmpi_id, # Unique identifier of the OhmPi board (string), default = '0001'
    'settings': 'settings/default.json', # INSERT YOUR FAVORITE SETTINGS FILE HERE
}
```

1. HARDWARE_CONFIG: the hardware system in which the five different modules 'ctl' (controller), 'tx' (transmitter), 'rx' (receiver), 'mux' (multiplexers), 'pwr' (power).

Main Key	Module Key	Value Description	Expected Value	Value description
ctl	model	Controller of the OhmPi system.	raspberry_pi	Defines a Raspberry Pi as controller.
pwr	model	Type of power unit.	pwr_batt	Defines an external battery as power unit.
			pwr_dph5005	Defines an external DPH5005 as power unit
	voltage	Defines default out- put voltage in V.	float, e.g. 12.	Sets 12 V as default voltage.
	interface_name	Interface used for communication with controller.	none	Sets no software communication (e.g. for 'pwr_batt')
			modbus	Sets a modubs con- nection
tx	model	Type of transmitter.	mb_2024_0_2	
				Load TX defined in ohmpi. hardware_component mb_2024_0_2()
			mb_2023_0_X	
				Load TX defined in ohmpi. hardware_component mb_2023_0_X()
	voltage_max	Maximum voltage supported by the TX board [V]	float, e.g. 50.	
	current_max	Maximum current supported by TX board [A]	<i>float</i> , e.g. 0.05	Is function of r_shunt. Can be calculated as 4.80/(50*r_shunt)
	r_shunt	Value (in Ohms) of shunt resistor mounted on TX.	float, e.g. 2.	2 Ohms resistor.
	interface_name	Name of interface used for communication with	i2c	I2C connector 1
		controller	i2c_ext	I2C connector 2
rx	model	Type of transmitter.	mb_2024_0_2	
				Load RX defined in ohmpi. hardware_component mb_2024_0_2()
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-			mb 2023 0 X	

Table 10: HARDWARE_CONFIG

Load RX defined in ohmni

Module Key	Value Description	Expected Value	Value description
model	Type of Mux board.	x board. mux_2024_0_X Load RX define ohmpi. hardware_com mux_2024_0_X	Load RX defined in ohmpi. hardware_components. mux_2024_0_X()
		mux_2023_0_X	Load RX defined in ohmpi. hardware_components. mux_2023_0_X()
electrodes	List of electrodes ad- dressed by the MUX board	array-like, e.g. range(1,65)	Sets electrode IDs ad- dressed by the MUX board
roles	Roles addressed by the MUX board	* string: 'A', 'B', 'M', 'N' * or list, e.g. ['A, 'B'] * or dict, e.g. {'A':'X','B':'Y', 'M':'XX','N':'YY'}	Sets roles addressed by the MUX board. If <i>string</i> , MUX addresses only 1 role (for MUX 2023) For MUX 2024: * Number of roles defines if MUX set up in 2 or 4 roles mode. * <i>list</i> or <i>array</i> order determines physical cabling * <i>dict</i> values rely on annotation on MUX 2024 board 'X', 'Y', 'XX', 'YY'
voltage_max	Maximum injected volt- age managed by the MUX board	float, e.g. 50.	Sets maximum voltage to 50 V.
current_max	Maximum current [in A] managed by the MUX board	float, e.g. 3.	Sets maximum current to 3 A.

Table 11: MUX board general config in HARDWARE_CONFIG

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Module Key	Value Description	Expected Value	Value description
mux_tca_address	I2C address of MUX board	hex integer 0x70 - 0x77	Address of MUX board

Table 12:	MUX 2023	board specif	fic config in	HARDWARE	CONFIG
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Module Key	Value Description	Expected Value	Value description
addr1	Physical position of jumper on addr1	string 'up' or 'down	This will compute I2C address of MUX board based on addr1 and addr 2 configuration. See MUX board addresses.
addr2	Physical position of jumper on addr1	string 'up' or 'down	This will compute I2C address of MUX board based on addr1 and addr 2 configuration. See <i>MUX board</i> <i>addresses</i> .
tca_address	I2C address of I2C exten-	None (<i>default</i>)	No I2C extensions cabled.
tca channel	SION Channel of the I2C exten-	nex integer, e.g. $0x/1$ int 0 - 7	Channel used in case I2C
	sion		extension configured.

Table 13: MUX 2024 board specific config in HARDWARE_CONFIG

Here's an example of the HARDWARE_CONFIG:

Listing 5: HARDWARE_CONFIG: Dictionary containing configuration of the hardware system and how it is assembled.

```
'interface_name': 'i2c'
        },
'rx': {'model': 'mb_2024_0_2',
         'latency': 0.010, # latency in seconds in continuous mode
         'sampling_rate': 50, # number of samples per second
         'interface_name': 'i2c'
        },
'mux': {'boards':
            {'mux_00':
                 {'model': 'mux_2024_0_X',
                   'electrodes': range(1, 9),
                  'roles': ['A', 'B', 'M', 'N'],
                   'tca_address': None,
                   'tca_channel': 0,
                   'addr1': 'down',
                  'addr2': 'down'.
                  },
             },
         'default': {'interface_name': 'i2c_ext',
                      'voltage_max': 50.,
                      'current_max': 3.}
        }
}
```

The logging dictionaries divided in:

Listing 6: EXEC_LOGGING_CONFIG: dictionary configuring how the execution commands are being logged by the system. Useful for debugging.

```
# SET THE LOGGING LEVELS, MQTT BROKERS AND MQTT OPTIONS ACCORDING TO YOUR NEEDS
# Execution logging configuration
EXEC_LOGGING_CONFIG = {
    'logging_level': logging.INFO,
    'log_file_logging_level': logging.DEBUG,
    'logging_to_console': True,
    'file_name': f'exec{logging_suffix}.log',
    'max_bytes': 262144,
    'backup_count': 30,
    'when': 'd',
    'interval': 1
}
```

Listing 7: DATA_LOGGING_CONFIG: Dictionary configuring the data logging capabilities of the system

```
# Data logging configuration
DATA_LOGGING_CONFIG = {
    'logging_level': logging.INFO,
    'logging_to_console': True,
    'file_name': f'data{logging_suffix}.log',
    'max_bytes': 16777216,
```

```
'backup_count': 1024,
'when': 'd',
'interval': 1
```

}

Listing 8: SOH_LOGGING_CONFIG: Dictionary configuring how the state of health of the system is logged

```
# State of Health logging configuration (For a future release)
SOH_LOGGING_CONFIG = {
    'logging_level': logging.INFO,
    'log_file_logging_level': logging.DEBUG,
    'logging_to_console': True,
    'file_name': f'soh{logging_suffix}.log',
    'max_bytes': 16777216,
    'backup_count': 1024,
    'when': 'd',
    'interval': 1
}
```

The MQTT dictionaries divided in:

Listing 9: MQTT_LOGGING_CONFIG

```
# MQTT logging configuration parameters
MQTT_LOGGING_CONFIG = {
    'hostname': mqtt_broker,
    'port': 1883,
    'qos': 2,
    'retain': False,
    'keepalive': 60,
    'will': None.
    'auth': {'username': 'mqtt_user', 'password': 'mqtt_password'},
    'tls': None,
    'protocol': MQTTv31,
    'transport': 'tcp',
    'client_id': f'{OHMPI_CONFIG["id"]}',
    'exec_topic': f'ohmpi_{OHMPI_CONFIG["id"]}/exec',
    'exec_logging_level': logging.DEBUG,
    'data_topic': f'ohmpi_{OHMPI_CONFIG["id"]}/data',
    'data_logging_level': DATA_LOGGING_CONFIG['logging_level'],
    'soh_topic': f'ohmpi_{OHMPI_CONFIG["id"]}/soh',
    'soh_logging_level': SOH_LOGGING_CONFIG['logging_level']
}
```

Listing 10: MQTT_CONTROL_CONFIG

```
# MQTT control configuration parameters
MQTT_CONTROL_CONFIG = {
    'hostname': mqtt_broker,
    'port': 1883,
    'qos': 2,
```

```
'retain': False,
'keepalive': 60,
'will': None,
'auth': {'username': 'mqtt_user', 'password': 'mqtt_password'},
'tls': None,
'protocol': MQTTv31,
'transport': 'tcp',
'client_id': f'{OHMPI_CONFIG["id"]}',
'ctrl_topic': f'ohmpi_{OHMPI_CONFIG["id"]}/ctrl'
}
```

1.19.2 Acquisition settings

The acquisition settings can be changed or constrained at different levels of the system.



Fig. 41: **kwargs** (keyword arguments) passed to Python functions superseed **OhmPi.settings** attribute. All settings must fall within the **system specifications**. All the previous are defined when we instantiate the OhmPi class. Further down, the **config.py** and **default.json** files provide default values and constraints. That are further enforced in the **component specifications**.

Different parts of the system can be changed. We distinguish two roles: maintainers that will build, set the configuration and provide default settings. And the users who will operate the system using the different interfaces and change acquisition settings.

This section details the acquisition settings that can be specified for measurement on a quadrupole.



Listing 11: json dictionary containing the default settings contained in settings/default.json

{
 "injection_duration": 0.2, # injection duration of one pulse within an injection cycles
 "n_stacks": 1, # number of injection cycles (e.g. 'nb_stack'=1 means one positive and_
 one negative pulse)
 "sampling_interval": 2, # sampling interval in ms
 "vab_req": 5, # injection voltage in V for strategy 'safe' or starting V_AB for_
 • strategy 'vmax' or 'vmin'
 "duty_cycle": 0.5, # duty cycle for the injection (0-1)
 "strategy": "safe", # injection strategy ("safe", "vmax" or "vmin")
 "fw_in_zip": true, # full waveform saved in a separate zip file. Read by run_sequence()
 "export_path": "data/measurements.csv" # path for data output. Read by run_sequence()
 "nb_meas": 1, # number of sequences repeated when calling run_mutlitple_sequences()
 "sequence_delay": 1, # sleeping time between repeated sequences when calling run_
 • multiple_sequences()
}

For more information on these settings, see the API doc for ohmpi.ohmpi.OhmPi.run_measurement().

Also have a look at the different *Acquisition strategies*;

In addition to these default settings, and for advanced users, additional settings related to the injection strategy "vmax" and "vmin" can also be specified in the json settings file as follows:

Listing 12: Dictionary containing the advanced settings that can be added to settings/default.json

1
"vab_max": null, # maximum V_AB (in V) bounding the vmax injection strategy. Value is_
$ ightarrow$ capped by vab_max from hardware config. Default is None, which means vmax strategy.
⇔bounded by hardware vab_max from hardware config.
"iab_max": null, # maximum I_AB (in mA) bounding the vmax injection strategy. Value is.
$ ightarrow$ capped by iab_max from hardware config. Default is None, which means vmax strategy.
⇔bounded by hardware iab_max from hardware config.
"vmn_max": null, # maximum V_mn (in mV) bounding the vmax injection strategy. Value is.
$ ightarrow$ capped by vmn_max from hardware config. Default is None, which means vmax strategy.
⇔bounded by hardware vmn_max from hardware config.
"vmn_min": null, # minimum V_mn (in mV) bounding the vmax injection strategy. Value is.
$ ightarrow$ capped by <code>vmn_min</code> from hardware config. Default is None, which means <code>vmax</code> strategy.
→bounded by hardware vmn_min from hardware config.
}

For more information on these settings, see the API for OhmPi.run_measurement().

1.19.3 Acquisition strategies

Different acquisition strategies are available to choose the Vab to inject. These strategies operate within the instrument specifications and their results will depend on the resistance of the ground and the contact resistances. The figure below shows the space bounded by the limitations of the instruments and the environment in which the strategies operate.

- vmax:
- Parameters: -



Fig. 42: This figure shows how the Vab can be selected considering the contact resistances (*Rab*) and the ground resistance (*R*) and with constraints from the current (*Iab*), the injection voltage (*Vab*) and the measured voltage at MN (*Vmn*). Shaded red area shows the limitations of the system (Kaufmann et al., 2024).

- Description: Inject the largest Vab possible.
- vmin:
- Parameters: vmn_req
- Description: Inject smallest Vab that enables to measure the requested voltage at MN (vmn_req).
- safe:
- Parameters: vab_req
- Description: Try to inject vab_req. It will decrease this vab_req to stay within instrument limits.
- fixed:
- Parameters: vab_req
- Description: Inject vab_req without checking for instrument limitations. This can potentially damage the board.
- flex:
- Parameters: *vab_init, vab_req, vab_min, vab_max, iab_req, iab_min, iab_max, vmn_req, vmn_min, vmn_max, pab_req, pab_min, pab_max* (all parameters are optional)
- Description: will try to meet the requested parameter by the user.

1.19.4 Interfaces

Three interfaces can be used to interact with the OhmPi:

• a *Web interface*: user friendly graphical interface to achieve basic operations for everyday use, such as running a sequence or repeated sequences.

- a *Python interface*: based on the *API reference*, the Python interface allows basic and more advanced operations such as custom acquisition strategies and automation.
- a *IoT interface*: based on the MQTT messaging protocol used in IoT, it is a framework to incorporate the OhmPi system within complex experiments designs comprising other IoT sensors.

Web interface

See the WebGUI in action!

This is a user-friendly graphical interface for new users as well as running quick and easy acquisitions. The web interface enables users to upload sequences, change parameters, run a sequence and download data. To start the interface, open the terminal in the OhmPi folder and type:

./run_http_interface.sh

The Raspberry Pi of the OhmPi is runs a small webserver to serve the 'index.html' interface. This interface can be accessed locally by opening a browser on the Raspberry Pi and going to *http://localhost:8000*.



Fig. 43: Web interface with its interactive pseudo-section.

Alternatively to a local webserver, the Raspberry Pi can be configured as a used as a Wi-Fi Access Point (AP). Then other laptop or mobile devices can connect to the WiFi of the Raspberry Pi and interact with the web interface. See instructions in the "run_http_interface_on_start.txt" file in the repository.

Python interface

This interface offers a more direct access to the software components, specifically suited for testing or automating acquisition.

By importing the *OhmPi* class from the ohmpi.py, we can control the OhmPi instrument via a Python script or interactively with IPython. It involves using the terminal or a Python IDE such as Thonny on the Raspberry Pi. A connection can also be established via SSH (see PuTTY on Windows or ssh command on macOS/Linux).



Fig. 44: Evolution of quadrupole apparent resistivity with time.



Fig. 45: Contact resistance check.

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Full-waveform

By default, full-waveform data are not downloaded. Press the button below to donwload them. This can take several minutes. Look at the status (top of this dashboard).



Fig. 46: Full-wave form.

To access the Python API, make sure that: - the PYTHONPATH has been correctly configured to export the location of the ohmpi module; - you are in the Python environment created earlier (*source ohmpy/bin/activate*)

Both of these can be done by executing

```
source env.sh
```

Listing 13: Example of using the Python API to control OhmPi

```
from ohmpi.ohmpi import OhmPi
### Define object from class OhmPi
k = OhmPi() # this loads default parameters from the disk
### Default parameters can also be edited manually
k.settings['injection_duration'] = 0.5 # injection time in seconds
k.settings['nb_stack'] = 1 # one stack is two half-cycles
k.settings['nb_meas'] = 1 # number of time the sequence is repeated
### Update settings if needed
k.update_settings({"injection_duration":0.2})
### Set or load sequence
k.sequence = np.array([[1,2,3,4]]) # set numpy array of shape (n,4)
# k.set_sequence('1 2 3 4\n2 3 4 5') # call function set_sequence and pass a string
# k.load_sequence('ABMN.txt') # load sequence from a local file
```

```
### Run contact resistance check
k.rs_check()
### Run sequence (synchronously - it will wait that all
# sequence is measured before returning the prompt
k.run_sequence()
# k.run_sequence_async() # sequence is run in a separate thread and the prompt returns_
\leftrightarrow immediately
# time.sleep(2)
# k.interrupt() # kill the asynchronous sequence
### Single measurement can also be taken with
quadrupole = [1, 4, 2, 3] # if we have a multiplexer
quadrupole = [0, 0, 0, 0] # if we don't have a multiplexer, just from the mb board.
k.run_measurement(quadrupole) # use default acquisition parameters
### Custom or adaptative argument, see help(k.run_measurement)
k.run_measurement(quadrupole,
                  nb_stack=4, # do 4 stacks (8 half-cycles)
                  injection_duration=1, # inject for 2 seconds
                  duty_cycle = 0.5) # duty_cycle is
```

For detailed usage, please see the API reference or look in the 'examples' folder.

IoT interface

This is an interface designed for an advanced remote usage of the OhmPi such as remote automation, data consumption by multiple processes and interaction with other sensors in the scope of a monitoring. It is based on the MQTT protocol, designed for the Internet of Things (IoT), to interact with the OhmPi.

This option allows interacting remotely with a single OhmPi, a network of OhmPis, as well as auxiliary instruments and sensors. The communication is based on a publish/subscribe approach and involves a MQTT broker.

An example of MQTT broker that can be used is Mosquitto. Depending on the monitoring needs, an MQTT broker can be set up locally on the Raspberry Pi, on a local network or any remote server reachable through the net. A local Mosquitto broker can be set up and enabled to run as a service on the OhmPi using the bash script install_local_mqtt_broker.sh.

MQTT messages include logging messages from the OhmPi and commands sent to the OhmPi. These messages can be examined easily using a third party software such as MQTT Explorer.

Commands sent on the broker are received by the ohmpi.py script that runs on the OhmPi (make sure ohmpi.py starts on reboot) and further processed. MQTT commands are sent in JSON format following the Python API with kwargs as illustrated below:

Listing 14: Updating acquisition settings. Depending on the experiment needs, MQTT brokers can be set up locally on the Raspberry Pi or on a local or remote server.

```
{
  "cmd_id": "3fzxv121UITwGjWYgcz4xw",
  "cmd": "update_settings",
  "kwargs": {
     "settings": {
        "nb_meas": 2,
     }
}
```

}

{

{

}

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```
"nb_electrodes": 10,
    "nb_stack": 2,
    "injection_duration": 2,
    "sequence_delay": 100
}
```

Listing 15: Check contact resistances

```
{
    "cmd_id": "3fzxv121UITwGjWYgcz4xw",
    "cmd": "rs_check",
}
```

Listing 16: Running a single measurement

```
"cmd_id": "3fzxv121UITwGjWYgcz81x",
"cmd": "run_measurement",
"kwargs": {"quad":[1,2,3,4]}
}
```

Listing 17: Running a sequence.

```
{
    "cmd_id": "3fzxv121UITwGjWYgcz4Yw",
    "cmd": "run_sequence",
}
```

Listing 18: Running same sequence multiple times (nb_meas).

```
"cmd_id": "3fzxv121UITwGjWYgcz4Yw",
"cmd": "run_multiple_sequences",
```

Listing 19: Interrupt current acquisition.

```
{
   "cmd_id": "3fzxv121UITwGjWYgcz4xw",
   "cmd": "interrupt",
}
```

Custom processing of messages and tailor-made dashboards for monitoring experiments may be designed using a browser-based flow editor such as Node-red. This may help designing complex IoT experiments and monitoring systems in which OhmPi is a component.

Examples incorporating execution commands and data outputs from OhmPi can be found in the OhmPi examples. Once Node-RED is installed on the OhmPi, these examples can be accessed separately by running a command in the console such as :

```
node-red basic_ohmpi_flows_node-red.json
```

These examples may require installing some additional node packages in order to work properly. This can be done in the Palette Manager within Node-RED.



Fig. 47: Example flow in node-red to interact with an OhmPi.

For more documentation dedicated to node-red, please refer to the Node-red cookbooks.

1.19.5 Loggers

Loggers have been introduced in this release. They use the excellent logging python package. Specific handlers have been implemented for running with ohmpi.py (one for logging to an MQTT broker (see *loT interface* for more details) and one for creating zipped rotated logs on disk).

Two loggers have been defined. The first one is dedicated to log operations execution. It is named exec_logger. The second one, named data_logger, is dedicated to log data. A third one is planned to log the state of health (SOH) of the system in a future version.

By default, logs are written to the console (print-like), stored locally in files (a zip is created after some time i.e. every day and/or when the size of the log exceeds a maximum size) and sent to an MQTT broker. Different logging levels may be defined for the different logs and handlers in the *Configuration*.

Advanced users may write new handlers and edit the *setup_loggers.py* file to customize the logging mechanisms to their needs.

1.19.6 Monitoring application

This section details ways to automate measurement acquisition in order to set up the OhmPi as a monitoring tool.



Fig. 48: Example of a dashboard UI created with node-red to interact with an OhmPi - control tab.



Fig. 49: Example of a dashboard UI created with node-red to interact with an OhmPi - data visualization tab.

Repeated acquisition at fixed intervals

The easiest way to set up time-lapse acquisition is to perform repeated acquisition of a sequence at fixed intervals. Repeated acquisition can be initiated from the three different *Interfaces*.

Listing 20: Example of code for monitoring.

```
### Run multiple sequences at given time interval
k.settings['nb_meas'] = 3 # run sequence three times
k.settings['sequence_delay'] = 100 # every 100 s
k.run_multiple_sequences() # asynchronous
# k.interrupt() # kill the asynchronous sequence
```

Scheduled acquisition using crontab

One can automate acquisitions by calling in a script via crontab (a LINUX built-in scheduler) at scheduled timings. One way of achieving this is to rely on a python script detailing the desired operations (i.e. run_sequence, etc.), which is called in a bash script. The bash script is needed here to activate the python environment (ohmpy) and can potentially feature additional basic operations, such as selecting appropriate settings, or sending data to a remote server.

Listing 21: Example of a python code (run_sequence.py) taking a sequence filename and a settings filename as arguments

```
args = sys.argv
if len(args) > 1 :
    sequence_filename = args[1]
   settings_filename = args[2]
else:
   print("args missing")
### Define object from class OhmPi
k = OhmPi()
### Set or load sequence
k.load_sequence(sequence_filename)
                                   # load sequence from a local file
### Run contact resistance check
# k.rs check()
k.update_settings(settings_filename)
### Updating export_path to match sequence filename
k.settings['export_path'] = os.path.join('data',os.path.split(sequence_filename.replace(
### Run sequence
k.run_sequence() #save_strategy_fw=True) #plot_realtime_fulldata=True)
```

In this example, the prefix of the data filename (export_path) will match the prefix of the sequence filename. This python script (called run_sequence.py) can be run in the terminal as follows:

python -m run_sequence.py my_sequence.csv my settings.json

Then a bash script is required to load in the python environment and calling the python script, such as:

```
#!bin/bash
USER="pi" # change if other username
PROJECT="OhmPi"
SURVEY=$(ls /home/$USER/$PROJECT/sequences/$1*)
echo $SURVEY
#Load settings
cd /home/$USER/$PROJECT
SETTINGS=$(ls settings/$2.json)
#Load ohmpy environment
```

Listing 22: Example of a bash script (run_sequence.sh) calling in

source /home/\$USER/\$PROJECT/ohmpy/bin/activate

```
#run python script
python /home/$USER/$PROJECT/run_seq.py $SURVEY $SETTINGS
```

This script can then be added to a crontab scheduler by calling in

crontab -e

And updating the schedule according to your needs:

Listing 23: Example of crontab entry

IoT acquisition and sensor trigger

Example node-red experiment

1.20 API reference

created on January 6, 2020. Updates dec 2023; in-depth refactoring May 2023. Hardware: Licensed under CERN-OHL-S v2 or any later version Software: Licensed under the GNU General Public License v3.0 Ohmpi.py is a program to control a low-cost and open hardware resistivity meters within the OhmPi project by Rémi CLEMENT (INRAE), Vivien DUBOIS (INRAE), Hélène GUYARD (IGE), Nicolas FORQUET (INRAE), Yannick FARGIER (IFSTTAR) Olivier KAUFMANN (UMONS), Arnaud WATLET (UMONS) and Guillaume BLANCHY (FNRS/ULiege).

class ohmpi.ohmpi.ohmpi(settings=None, sequence=None, mqtt=True, config=None)

OhmPi class.

Attributes

sequence

Gets sequence



Methods

append_and_save(filename, last_measurement)		Appends and saves the last measurement dict.		
<pre>create_sequence(nelec[, params,])</pre>		Creates a sequence of quadrupole. Several type of se-		
		quence or sequence with different parameters can be		
		combined together.		
download_data([start_date, end_dat	e, ftype,])	Create a zip of the data folder to then download it		
		easily.		
<pre>export([fnames, outputdir, ftype,])</pre>)	Export surveys stored in the 'data/' folder into an out-		
		put folder.		
<pre>find_optimal_vab_for_sequence</pre>	e([which,	Find optimal Vab based on sample sequence in order		
n_samples])		to run sequence with fixed Vab.		
<pre>get_data([survey_names, full, cmd_</pre>	_id])	Get available data.		
<pre>interrupt([cmd_id])</pre>		Interrupts the acquisition.		
<pre>load_sequence(filename[, cmd_id])</pre>		Reads quadrupole sequence from file.		
<pre>plot_last_fw([save_fig, filename])</pre>		Plots last full waveform measurement		
<pre>quit([cmd_id])</pre>		Quits OhmPi.		
<pre>remove_data([cmd_id])</pre>		Remove all data in the 'export_path' folder on the		
		raspberrypi.		
repeat_sequence(**kwargs)		Identical to run_multiple_sequences().		
<pre>reset_mux([cmd_id])</pre>		Switches off all multiplexer relays.		
restart([cmd_id])	1.3	Restarts the Raspberry Pi.		
rs_check([vab, cmd_id, couple, tx_v	/olt])	Checks contact resistances.		
<i>run_inversion</i> ([survey_names, elec_spacing])		Run a simple 2D inversion using ResIPy (https://		
	3)	gitlab.com/hkex/resipy).		
<pre>run_measurement([quad, nb_stack,])</pre>		Measures on a quadrupole and returns a dictionary		
	. 1.1. 1)	with the transfer resistance.		
<pre>run_multiple_sequences([sequence_delay,])</pre>		Runs multiple sequences in a separate thread for mon-		
	1)	itoring mode.		
<i>run_sequence</i> ([fw_in_zip, cmd_id,])		Runs sequence synchronously (=blocking on main		
		Inread).		
<i>run_sequence_async</i> ([cmd_id])		stonned by 'Ohm Di interment()'		
([bagyanga amd id])		Stopped by OnnP1.Interrupt().		
set_sequence([sequence, cmd_1d])		Sets the sequence to acquire.		
set_time(date[, cmd_id])		Southand of the Raspherry Di		
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cmd_id])	bypass_check,	Switches on multiplexer relays for given quadrupole.		
tost([test_names_remote_filename])		Run test on the ohmpi system		
test mux [activation time mux id	cmd_id])	Interactive method to test the multiplever boards		
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append_and_save(filename: str, last_measurement: dict, fw_in_zip=None, cmd_id=None)

Appends and saves the last measurement dict.

Parameters

filename

[str] Filename of the .csv.

last_measurement

[dict] Last measurement taken in the form of a python dictionary.

fw_in_zip

[bool, optional] Wether to save the full-waveform data in a separate .csv in long format to be zipped to spare space. If None, default is read from default.json.

cmd_id

[str, optional] Unique command identifier.

Creates a sequence of quadrupole. Several type of sequence or sequence with different parameters can be combined together.

Parameters

nelec

[int] Number of electrodes.

params

[list of tuple, optional] Each tuple is the form (<array_name>, param1, param2, ...) Dipole spacing is specified in terms of "number of electrode spacing". Dipole spacing is often referred to 'a'. Number of levels is a multiplier of 'a', often referred to 'n'. For multigradient array, an additional parameter 's' is needed. Types of sequences available are : - ('wenner', a) - ('dpdp', a, n) - ('schlum', a, n) - ('multigrad', a, n, s) By default, if an integer is provided for a, n and s, the parameter will be considered varying from 1 to this value. For instance, for ('wenner', 3), the sequence will be generated for a = 1, a = 2 and a = 3. If only some levels are desired, the user can use a list instead of an int. For instance ('wenner', [3]) will only generate quadrupole for a = 3.

include_reciprocal

[bool, optional] If True, will add reciprocal quadrupoles (so MNAB) to the sequence.

opt_ip

[bool, optional] If True, will optimize for induced polarization measurement (i.e. will try to put as much time possible between injection and measurement at the same electrode). Optimization can take a few seconds.

opt_param

[dic, optional] Dictionary of parameters to be passed to optimize_ip(). Possible values are 'niter' (int): number of iterations during optimization 'nchains' (int): number of chain to run in parallel (each chain is run niter times) 'pad' (int): how far from its position move the quad with the largest cost in the sequence

opt_plot

[bool, optional] Plot cost decay of ip optimization.

fpath

[str, optional] Path where to save the sequence (including filename and extension). By default, sequence is saved in ohmpi/sequences/sequence.txt.

download_data(start_date=None, end_date=None, ftype='ohmpi', elec_spacing=1, cmd_id=None)

Create a zip of the data folder to then download it easily.

Parameters

start_date

[str, optional] Start date as ISO string (e.g. "2024-12-24").

end_date

[str, optional] End date as ISO string.

ftype

[str, optional] Format type. Default is OhmPi normal format. Can choose between: - ohmpi (default) - bert (same as pygimli) - pygimli (same as bert) - protocol (for resipy/r2 codes)

elec_spacing

[float, optional] For some format (e.g. bert, pygimli), electrode position is required.

export(*fnames=None*, *outputdir=None*, *ftype='bert'*, *elec_spacing=1*, *fname_coord=None*)

Export surveys stored in the 'data/' folder into an output folder.

Parameters

fnames

[list of str, optional] List of path (not filename) to survey in ohmpi format to be converted.

outputdir

[str, optional] Path of the output directory where the new files are stored. If None, a directory called 'output' is created in OhmPi.

ftype

[str, optional] Type of export. To be chosen between: - bert (same as pygimli) - pygimli (same as bert) - protocol (for resipy, R2 codes)

elec_spacing

[float, optional] Electrode spacing in meters. Same electrode spacing is assumed.

find_optimal_vab_for_sequence(which='mean', n_samples=10, **kwargs)

Find optimal Vab based on sample sequence in order to run sequence with fixed Vab. Returns Vab.

Parameters

which

[str] Which vab to keep, either "min", "max", "mean" (or other similar numpy method e.g. median) If applying strategy "fixed" based on vab_opt, safer to chose "min"

n_samples: int

Number of samples to keep within loaded sequence.

kwargs

[dict, optional] kwargs passed to Ohmpi.run_sequence.

Returns

Vab_opt

[float [in V]] Optimal Vab value

get_data(survey_names=None, full=False, cmd_id=None)

Get available data.

Parameters

survey_names

[list of str, optional] List of filenames already available from the html interface. So their content won't be returned again. Only files not in the list will be read.

full

[bool, optional] If False, will only return the quadrupole and transfer resistance (default). If True, will return all columns.

cmd_id

[str, optional] Unique command identifier.

interrupt(cmd_id=None)

Interrupts the acquisition.

Parameters

cmd_id

[str, optional] Unique command identifier.

load_sequence(filename: str, cmd_id=None)

Reads quadrupole sequence from file.

Parameters

filename

[str] Path of the .csv or .txt file with A, B, M and N electrodes. Electrode index start at 1.

cmd_id

[str, optional] Unique command identifier.

Returns

sequence [numpy.ndarray] Array of shape (number quadrupoles * 4).

plot_last_fw(save_fig=False, filename=None)

Plots last full waveform measurement

Parameters

save_fig: boolean, optional - default (False)
Whether to save the figure

filename: str, optional Path to save plot. By default figures/test.png

quit(cmd_id=None)

Quits OhmPi.

Parameters

cmd_id

[str, optional] Unique command identifier.

remove_data(cmd_id=None)

Remove all data in the 'export_path' folder on the raspberrypi.

Parameters

cmd_id

[str, optional] Unique command identifier.

repeat_sequence(**kwargs)

Identical to run_multiple_sequences().

reset_mux(cmd_id=None)

Switches off all multiplexer relays.

Parameters

cmd id

[str, optional] Unique command identifier.

restart(cmd_id=None)

Restarts the Raspberry Pi.

Parameters

cmd id

[str, optional] Unique command identifier.

rs_check(vab=5, cmd_id=None, couple=None, tx_volt=None)

Checks contact resistances. Strategy: we just open A and B, measure the current and using vAB set or assumed (12V assumed for battery), we compute Rab.

Parameters

vab

[float, optional] Voltage of the injection.

couple

[array, for selecting a couple of electrode for checking resistance]

cmd_id

[str, optional] Unique command identifier.

tx_volt

[float, optional DEPRECATED] Save as vab.

run_inversion(survey_names=None, elec_spacing=1, **kwargs)

Run a simple 2D inversion using ResIPy (https://gitlab.com/hkex/resipy).

Parameters

survey_names

[list of string, optional] Filenames of the survey to be inverted (including extension).

elec_spacing

[float (optional)] Electrode spacing in meters. We assume same electrode spacing everywhere. Default is 1 m.

kwargs

[optional] Additional keyword arguments passed to *resipy.Project.invert()*. For instance *reg_mode* == 0 for batch inversion, *reg_mode* == 2 for time-lapse inversion. See ResIPy document for more information on options available (https://hkex.gitlab.io/resipy/).

Returns

XZV

[list of dict] Each dictionnary with key 'x' and 'z' for the centroid of the elements and 'v' for the values in resistivity of the elements.

strategy=None, vab_init=None, vab_min=None, vab_req=None, vab_max=None, iab_min=None, iab_req=None, min_agg=None, iab_max=None, vmn_min=None, vmn_req=None, vmn_max=None, pab_min=None, pab_req=None, pab_max=None, cmd_id=None, **kwargs)

Measures on a quadrupole and returns a dictionary with the transfer resistance.

Parameters

quad

[iterable (list of int)] Quadrupole to measure, just for labelling. Only switch_mux_on/off really create the route to the electrodes.

nb_stack

[int, optional] Number of stacks. A stack is considered two pulses (one positive, one negative). If 0, we will look for the best voltage.

injection_duration

[int, optional] Injection time in seconds.

duty_cycle

[float, optional] Duty cycle (default=0.5) of injection square wave.

strategy

[str, optional, default: safe] Define injection strategy (if power is adjustable, otherwise safe vab, generally 12V battery is used). Either: - vmax : compute Vab to reach a maximum Vmn_max and Iab without exceeding vab_max - vmin : compute Vab to reach at least Vmn_min - safe : apply given Vab but checks if expected readings not out-of-range - fixed: apply given Vab with no out-of-range checks for optimising duration at the risk of out-of-range readings Safety check (i.e. short voltage pulses) performed prior to injection to ensure injection within bounds defined in vab_max, iab_max, vmn_max or vmn_min. This can adapt Vab. To bypass safety check before injection, vab should be set equal to vab_max (not recommended)

vab_init

[float, optional] Initial injection voltage [V] Default value set by settings or system specs

vab_min

[float, optional] Minimum injection voltage [V] Default value set by config or boards specs

vab_req

[float, optional] Requested injection voltage [V] Default value set by config or boards specs

vab_max

[float, optional] Maximum injection voltage [V] Default value set by config or boards specs

iab_min

[float, optional] Minimum current [mA] Default value set by config or boards specs

iab_req

[float, optional] Requested iab [mA] Default value set by config or boards specs

iab_max

[float, optional] Maximum iab allowed [mA]. Default value set by config or boards specs

pab_min

[float, optional] Minimum power [W]. Default value set by config or boards specs

pab_req

[float, optional] Requested power [W]. Default value set by config or boards specs

pab_max

[float, optional] Maximum power allowed [W]. Default value set by config or boards specs

vmn_min: float, optional

Minimum Vmn [V] (used in strategy vmin). Default value set by config or boards specs

vmn_req: float, optional

Requested Vmn [V] (used in strategy vmin). Default value set by config or boards specs

vmn_max: float, optional

Maximum Vmn [V] (used in strategy vmin). Default value set by config or boards specs

min_agg

[bool, optional, default: False] when set to True, requested values are aggregated with the 'or' operator, when False with the 'and' operator

cmd_id

[str, optional] Unique command identifier.

Runs multiple sequences in a separate thread for monitoring mode.

Can be stopped by 'OhmPi.interrupt()'. Additional arguments are passed to run_measurement().

Parameters

sequence_delay

[int, optional] Number of seconds at which the sequence must be started from each others.

nb_meas

[int, optional] Number of time the sequence must be repeated.

fw_in_zip

[bool, optional] Whether to save the full-waveform data in a separate .csv in long format to be zipped to spare space. If None, default is read from default.json.

cmd_id

[str, optional] Unique command identifier.

kwargs

[dict, optional] See help(OhmPi.run_measurement) for more info.

run_sequence(*fw_in_zip=None*, *cmd_id=None*, *save_strategy_fw=False*, *export_path=None*, ***kwargs*)

Runs sequence synchronously (=blocking on main thread).

Additional arguments (kwargs) are passed to run_measurement().

Parameters

fw_in_zip

[bool, optional] Whether to save the full-waveform data in a separate .csv in long format to be zipped to spare space. If None, default is read from default.json.

save_strategy_fw

[bool, optional] Whether to save the strategy used.

export_path

[str, optional] Path where to save the results. Default taken from settings.json.

cmd_id

[str, optional] Unique command identifier.

run_sequence_async(cmd_id=None, **kwargs)

Runs the sequence in a separate thread. Can be stopped by 'OhmPi.interrupt()'.

Additional arguments are passed to run_sequence().

Parameters

cmd_id

[str, optional] Unique command identifier.

property sequence

Gets sequence

set_sequence(sequence=None, cmd_id=None)

Sets the sequence to acquire.

Parameters

sequence

[list of list or array_like] Sequence of quadrupoles (list of list or array_like).

cmd_id: str, optional

Unique command identifier.

set_time(date, cmd_id=None)

Set date of the RPI remotely.

Parameters

date

[str] ISO datetime string such as 2024-07-23T20:00:01.345Z.

cmd_id

[str, optional] Unique command identifier.

shutdown(cmd_id=None)

Shutdown the Raspberry Pi.

Parameters

cmd_id

[str, optional] Unique command identifier

switch_mux_off(quadrupole, cmd_id=None)

Switches off multiplexer relays for given quadrupole.

Parameters

quadrupole

[list of 4 int] List of 4 integers representing the electrode numbers.

cmd_id

[str, optional] Unique command identifier.

switch_mux_on(quadrupole, bypass_check=False, cmd_id=None)

Switches on multiplexer relays for given quadrupole.

Parameters

quadrupole

[list of 4 int] List of 4 integers representing the electrode numbers.

bypass_check: bool, optional

Bypasses checks for A==M or A==N or B==M or B==N (i.e. used for rs-check).

cmd_id

[str, optional] Unique command identifier.

test(test_names=[], remote=False, filename=None)

Run test on the ohmpi system.

Parameters

test_names

[list, optional] Name of test to run. By default, all available test are run.

remote

[bool, optional] If set to True, no input prompt will be presented to the user. It is assumed that the system can run this test remotely safely.

filename

[str, optional]

Filepath with extension .json included. If specified, the results of the tests will be saved there.

test_mux(activation_time=0.2, mux_id=None, cmd_id=None)

Interactive method to test the multiplexer boards.

Parameters

activation_time

[float, optional] Time in seconds during which the relays are activated.

mux_id

[str, optional] ID of the mux_board to test.

cmd_id

[str, optional] Unique command identifier.

update_settings(settings: str, cmd_id=None)

Updates acquisition settings from a json file or dictionary. Parameters can be: - nb_electrodes (number of electrode used, if 4, no MUX needed) - injection_duration (in seconds) - nb_meas (total number of times the sequence will be run) - sequence_delay (delay in second between each sequence run) - nb_stack (number of stack for each quadrupole measurement) - strategy (injection strategy: safe, vmax, vmin) - duty_cycle (injection duty cycle comprised between 0.5 - 1) - export_path (path where to export the data, timestamp will be added to filename)

Parameters

settings

[str, dict] Path to the .json settings file or dictionary of settings.

cmd_id

[str, optional] Unique command identifier.

class ohmpi.hardware_system.OhmPiHardware(**kwargs)

OhmPiHardware class. A class to operate the system of assembled components as defined in the ohmpi/config.py file

Attributes

pulses pwr_state

<pre>compute_vab([vab_init, vab_min, vab_req,])</pre>	Estimates best Vab voltage based on different strate- gies.
reset_mux()	Switches off all multiplexer relays.
<pre>switch_mux(electrodes[, roles, state])</pre>	Switches on multiplexer relays for given quadrupole.
<pre>test_mux([channel, activation_time])</pre>	Interactive method to test the multiplexer.
<pre>vab_square_wave(vab, cycle_duration[,])</pre>	Performs a Vab injection following a square wave and records full waveform data.

Methods

calibrate_rx_bias discharge_pwr last_dev last_iab last_iab_dev last_resistance last_sp last_vmn last_vmn_dev select_samples

Estimates best Vab voltage based on different strategies. In "vmax" and "vmin" strategies, we iteratively increase/decrease the vab while checking vmn < vmn_max, vmn > vmn_min and iab < iab_max. We do a maximum of n_steps and when the difference between the two steps is below diff_vab_lim or we reached the maximum number of steps, we return the vab found.

Parameters

pulse_duration

[float, optional] Time in seconds for the pulse used to compute optimal Vab.

vab_init

[float, optional] Initial voltage to search for best vab.

vab_max

[float, optional] Maximum injection voltage to apply to tx (used by all strategies).

vmn_max

[float, optional] Maximum voltage target for rx (used by vmax strategy).

vmn_min

[float, optional] Minimum voltage target for rx (used by vmin strategy).

polarities

[list of int, optional] Polarity of the AB injection used to compute optimal Vab. Default is one positive, then one negative.

p_max

[float, optional] Maximum power that the device can support/sustain.

diff_vab_lim

[float, optional] Minimal change in vab between steps for continuing the search for optimal vab. If change between two steps is below the diff_vab_lim, we have found the optimal vab.

n_steps

[int, optional] Number of steps to try to find optimal vab. Each step last at least injection_duration*len(polarities) seconds.

Returns

vab

[float] Proposed Vab according to the given strategy.

reset_mux()

Switches off all multiplexer relays.

switch_mux(electrodes, roles=None, state='off', **kwargs)

Switches on multiplexer relays for given quadrupole.

Parameters

electrodes

[list] List of integers representing the electrode ids.

roles

[list, optional] List of roles of electrodes, optional

state

[str, optional] Either 'on' or 'off'.

test_mux(channel=None, activation_time=1.0)

Interactive method to test the multiplexer.

Parameters

channel

[tuple, optional] (electrode_nr, role) to test.

activation_time

[float, optional] Time in seconds during which the relays are activated.

Performs a Vab injection following a square wave and records full waveform data. Calls in function Vab_pulses.

Parameters

vab: float Injection voltage [V]

cycle_duration: float

Duration of one cycle within the square wave (in seconds)

sampling_rate: float, None Default None Sampling rate for Rx readings

cycles: integer, Default: 3 Number of cycles

polarity: 1, 0, -1 Starting polarity duty_cycle: float (0 to 1) Duty cycle of injection wave

append: bool, optional Default: False

1.21 Troubleshooting

1.21.1 Best practices

We encourage users to report any issue, or bugs as an issue in the official repository on GitLab. Please have a look at existing open and closed issues before posting a new one. We have compiled here below a list of common issues and explanations on how to fix them. For issues with the hardware, make sure your board passes the hardware checks (see MB2024 *Checks*, MUX2024 *Checks*).

You can also run a series of predefined tests in the software using:

```
from ohmpi.ohmpi import OhmPi
k = OhmPi()
k.test()
```

Also make sure to check your soldering and don't hesitate to melt them again if you have a doubt, it doesn't hurt.



Fig. 50: source: https://www.sudomod.com/wiki/index.php/File:Bad_joints.jpg

1.21.2 Communication issue between components

I2C errors

These issues are related to I2C communication errors or to missing I2C addresses on the I2C bus (devices not visible with *i2cdetect*. In most cases, the automatic communication tests performed during the OhmPi init (k = OhmPi()) will warn you that a device is not accessible. In such cases, follow these basic debug steps:

- 1. Make sure the specific components (MCP23008, MCP23017, ADS, Mikroe modules etc.) are correctly inserted in their socket (and not upside down).
- 2. Make sure you have the correct configuration for your assembled system (see Configuration).
- 3. Check with the multimeter the voltage between SDA/SCL and the ground to see if it reaches 5V at rest. If it's not the case, you may need stronger pull-up (smaller value of pull-up resistor).

Most components of the OhmPi communicate via I2C protocol. This protocol works with two lines (SDA and SCL) that **must be pulled-up** at rest. The pull-up resistor consists in placing a 100k (or similar values) resistor between the line and VDD (5V in this case).

Note

On the measurement board v2024, the I2C isolator from Mikroe, already has pull-up resistors that add to the pull-up already on the ADS1115 board. If the ADS1115 of the Vmn part cannot be seen by i2cdetect, we recommend to remove the pull-up resistors on the Mikroe I2C isolator board (see note fig29 in *Measurement board v2024*)

Modbus error

Modbus is the protocol used to communicate between the DPH5005 and the Raspberry Pi via a USB cable. If the Pi cannot detect the DPH, a modbus error can be reported. This can have several origins:

- 1. Make sure that you properly modified the baud rate of the DPH to 19200 (as explained in *Digital power supply* (*DPH5005*))
- 2. Make sure the USB cable is not damaged, correctly feeding the Raspberry Pi USB port to the DPH5005
- 3. Make sure that the DPH can be properly powered from the TX power connectors
- 4. If all the above are okay, then it can also be that the DPH is not given enough time to start (power latency time). This can be increased in the *config.py* > *HARDWARE_CONFIG* > pwr > $pwr_latency$ (default value = 6).

1.21.3 Incorrect or suspicious data

One possible cause is that the **shunt resistor was burned**. Once burned, the value of the resistor is not correct anymore and we advise to change it. To see if the shunt is burned, you can measure the value of the shunt resistor to see if it still has the expected value.

Another possibility is that the MN voltage you are trying to measure is **over the range of the ADC** (+/- 4.5 V effective range for ADS1115). You can easily check that by measuring the voltage at MN with a voltmeter.

In the measurement board v2024, the current sensing part is replaced by a click board. It is possible that the shunt resistance on this click board is burned due to malfunction. In this case, an erroneous value of current will be given. The click board must be replaced to solve the issue.

See also the step by step guides below.

Debugging incorrect current value

Current debugging:

- inject for 2 seconds and measure with the voltmeter that the given injected voltage (e.g. 12 V from Tx battery) is well found at the A-B screw terminals
 - OK: no problem with the relays, proceed to next step
 - NOT OK: possible issue with the polarity relays, the voltage source or the shunt (if shunt not soldered or burned, the current cannot pass through it)
- using a test circuit board (4 contact resistances and a target resistance directly connected to the measurement board no multiplexer), inject a given voltage and see if you get the expected voltage drop around the shunt resistor. For instance, for a test circuit with 100 Ohm target resistor and 1000 Ohm contact resistance, the total resistance will be 1000 + 100 + 1000 + 2 (shunt resistor) = 2102 Ohms. This will mean that if we have a 12V injection voltage, we will measure: 12*2/2102 = 0.011 V around the shunt. Test that with a multimeter.
 - OK: you can proceed to next step
- NOT OK: you possibly have extra resistance in your circuit, check soldering, make sure the relays close well (you hear them clicking)
- check the current click output voltage (AN pin). It should give 50 times the voltage around the shunt. If we measure 0.011 V around the shunt, we should see 0.55 V at the AN pin (between AN and the GND pin of the current click)
 - OK: the current click works as expected, proceed to next step
 - NOT OK: there is likely an issue with the current click, double check all soldering and modifications were done according to the documentation, without injecting, measure the voltage between AN and the GND pin, it should only show a few mV. In any other case, it means the current click is damaged and should be replaced.
- lastly, you can check that the ADS1115 (0x48) is not broken. Switch it with another working ADS and see if the problem persists or not. The voltage of the AN pin goes on the A0 pin of the ADS.

Debugging incorrect voltage value

Vmn debugging:

- with the measurement board powered up but the MN terminal disconnected from any electrode and no injection taking place, measure the voltage between screw terminal N and ADS 0x49 (voltage ADC) A0 pin. It should be 2.5V
 - OK: you can proceed to next step
 - NOT OK: there is an issue with the chip REF03 generating the 2.5V, check its power supply. Also check
 the polarity of the schottky diodes in front of the ADS 0x49.



Fig. 51: Pinout of the REF03.

 connect a test resistor circuit to the measurement board (no mux) and run a long injection (2s) so you can measure the voltage at the MN terminal and compare it to what is expected. For instance, for a circuit with 1000 Ohm contact resistance, 100 Ohm target resistance and 2 Ohm shunt resistor. If we inject 12 V (=Vab), we should measure: Vmn = 12*100/(2*1000+100+2) = 0.57 V

- OK: proceed to next step

- NOT OK: check your test circuit resistance values, check if any current is actually injected in your circuit (see current debugging guide)
- still with the test resistor connected and running a long injection, measure the output voltage (with reference to terminal N) after each op-amp output (pin 6, third pin on the right from the top). If we have 0.57 V at the MN screw terminal, we expect 0.57 V at pin 6 of the first op-amp, 0.57/2 = 0.285 V at pin 6 of second op-amp and 0.285+2.5 = 2.785 V at pin 6 of third op-amp and on A0 of ADS 0x49.
 - NOT OK: check the power supply of each op-amp, it should be -12 (pin 4) and +12 (pin 7). Check all soldering and if the chips are well inserted in the sockets.



Fig. 52: Pinout of op-amp.

Resistances values divided by 2 (mb2024)

This can be due to a badly soldered connection between the DG411 and the MCP23008 MN or between the output pins of the DG411. This means that the gain is not applied in the Vmn part. Use a multimeter in continuity mode to check connectivity and soldering of DG411 and MCP23008.

Strong decay in current

A strong decay in current can be an indication that the battery cannot supply enough power to the DPH5005 to maintain the requested voltage. It can also be that the injection time is too short to let the current reach steady-state. In this case, we recommend increasing the injection time.

Current max out at 48 mA

By default, the measurement board (v2023 and v2024) are set up with a shunt resistor of 2 Ohms. This effectively limit the current we can measure to 48 mA. If the data you collected show current that seems to stays close to this value, they are probably higher but the the measurement board cannot measure them properly. Note that the shunt resistor **does not limit the current**. If a too large current goes through the shunt resistor, it will burn and its value will not be precisely equal to 2 Ohms.

To measure larger current in the field, we recommend using other shunt resistors (e.g. 1 Ohms for max 100 mA, 0.5 Ohms for max 200 mA). Multiple 2 Ohms shunt resistors can also be placed in parallel to decrease the shunt resistance.

Noise in the Vmn and lab signals

The OhmPi does not filter the signal for 50 or 60Hz power noise. This noise can appear in the Vmn reading if the Tx or Rx battery is connected to a charger connected to the grid. It can also appear in the field if there is an AC leakage or high voltage power lines nearby.



Fig. 53: Example of 50 Hz noise coming from a charger connected to the TX battery

To solve this, you may need to design a system that disconnects the charger (turn it off) when doing a measurement.

1.21.4 Diagnostic with full-waveform analysis

You can always have a look at a full-waveform of a reading by doing:

```
from ohmpi.ohmpi import OhmPi
k = OhmPi()
k.run_measurements([1, 4, 2, 3])
k.plot_last_fw()
```

This will produce a figure that will show the evolution of the voltage, current and resistance during the measure. It is

helpful for diagnosing issues.

Examples of diagnostics (on a test resistor circuit).



Fig. 54: No current injection (relays don't open, DPH now powered or connected to screw terminal, issue with MUX, \dots). Note there is always a small current (< 0.21 mA) due to the voltage bias of the current click.

1.21.5 Miscellaneous

Issue with the pulses between A and B

In the measurement board v2023, this is likely due to the optical relays not opening or closing properly. These relays are quite fragile and, from experience, are easily damaged. Check if the optical relays are still working by measuring if they are conductors when turned on using a multimeter without connecting any electrodes to A and B.

If an optical relay is broken, you will have to replace it with a new one.

In the measurement board v2024, these optical relays are replaced by mechanical relays which are more robust and should not cause any issue.

Unexpected electrode takeout

The IDC sockets of the mux2023 and mux2024 are not wired identically. Double check that you connected the right electrode to the right ribbon cable (see drawings in the assembling tutorials)

OhmPi is slow

One of the reasons why the OhmPi can be very slow (up to 5s between print in the command line) can be due to the MQTT broker not being found. Make sure you have set a correct hostname ('localhost' by default) in the *config.py* file.

Another reason could be because you use a 64 bit version of Raspbian. We noticed that the 32 bit version was faster. You can select the version when you install Raspbian on the SD card (see installation section).



Fig. 55: Overcurrent (max current = 4.8 (ADC range) / (2 (shunt) * 50 (current click gain)) = 48 mA). Check for shorts, decrease Vab or change strategy (use "safe" for instance).

Raspberry Pi low voltage warning

The Raspberry Pi 5 needs more power than the Raspberry Pi 4 and will give a low voltage warning when used in the OhmPi as the THD-1211N does not provide enough current. It is recommended either to switch to a Raspberry Pi 4 or add an additional DC/DC converter (12V -> 5V).

1.22 Examples of application

1.22.1 Infiltration below hedges

Fieldwork Date: January 29, 30, 31 and February 1, 2024.

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Fig. 56: Overvoltage (max voltage = 5 (ADC positive range) / 2 (REF03 offset) * 2 (resistor divider) = +/- 5V). Decrease Vab or change strategy (use "safe" for instance).



Fig. 57: Vmn does not react to pulses. Check THD of Vmn, cable connection to electrodes.



Fig. 58: Vmn is not at 0 when not injecting. Check REF03 chip that provides 2.5V offset.



Fig. 59: Good measurement. Current is > 0.21 mA and < 48 mA. Vmn voltage reacts to pulse, is at 0 when not injecting, has a positive and negative voltage. Resistance is stable.

Abstract

The primary goal of this mission was to install an Electrical Resistivity Tomography (ERT) system on a hedge in Pollionnay. This system aims to provide detailed images of the soils electrical resistivity distribution and enable remote control of these geoelectric monitoring devices. Ultimately, the objective is to observe significant temporal variations caused by environmental, hydraulic, and meteorological phenomena affecting the structure. This report details the ERT instrumentation activities conducted both in the laboratory and on-site from January 29 to February 1, 2024, to establish a progress report.

I. Introduction

Electrical Resistivity Tomography (ERT) is an effective geophysical method used to characterize the electrical properties of subsurfaces. It is applied in the field to map the electrical structure of the subsurface at a given time. To understand flow movements and rapid variations in water transfers at fine time scales due to changing environmental conditions, the method of "Electrical Resistivity Tomography (ERT) in time-based monitoring" is particularly suitable. When used in time-based monitoring mode, it facilitates the study of infiltration processes under a hedge located in a long-term observation basin near Lyon, France (Lagouy et al., 2015). In our context, the development of open-source resistivity meters, such as Ohmpi (Clement et al., 2020), enables intensive monitoring of hydrological processes. This documentation aims to provide a detailed view of the installation process of an ERT system made on January 29, 30, 31 and February 1, 2024. It includes the design of the system integrating an OhmPi resistivity meter, the wiring diagram, the electrode layout, an illustration of the control cabinet, as well as the recommended monthly tests.

II. Presentation of the site

The Yzeron watershed, situated west of Lyon, has been monitored for many years by INRAE, as part of the OTHU and serves as a workshop site for the Rhone Watershed Workshop Zone. This area includes several hedges, with the specific hedge we aim to study located in Pollionnay. The terrain here is inclined with three different slopes, ranging between 4% and 5%. The hedge spans approximately 25 meters in total length, with a denser section of about 8 meters in the middle, as shown in Figure 1.b.



Fig. 60: Figure 1: a) Full view of the hedge b) View of the dense part of the hedge

III. System Design

1. Equipment Selection

Before installation, a thorough study is conducted to select the appropriate equipment for the study, considering the specifics of the hedge and soil conditions, as well as their compatibility and suitability for the project's specific needs.



Fig. 61: Figure 2: Electromagnetic map showing the location of the study area

This includes:

• Electrode Selection:

Choosing the right electrodes is crucial for obtaining reliable results. Factors such as soil resistivity, electrode size, and material must be considered to ensure optimal performance.



-TODO Selection of cables :

-TODO Selection of batteries :

• Selection of the resistivity meter:

The resistivity meter installed on-site is the OhmPi resistivity meter (Figure 5), a low-cost, open-hardware device designed for measuring electrical resistivity. It features a multiplexer capable of handling measurements from 32 electrodes. The device offers a wide measurement range for current values, from 0.1 mA to 80 mA, and a potential



Fig. 62: Figure 3: Photos illustrant la préparation des électrodes en laboratoire.

difference measurement range from 0.001 V to 12.00 V. This choice provides several advantages, including its compact size and widespread use in open hardware applications, making it a cost-effective solution (Clement et al., 2020).

To perform measurements, the OhmPi must be paired with a system that injects current and simultaneously measures both the potential difference and the current. This configuration ensures a comprehensive and efficient acquisition of electrical resistivity data (Clement et al., 2020).

2. Electrode positions Planning

A detailed analysis of the hedge was conducted to determine the optimal placement of the electrodes based on the site geometry. This planning was crucial to ensure uniform data collection and optimal resolution.

IV. Site installation

1. Preparation of site

Before beginning the installation, we conducted thorough site preparation, starting with the setup of the cabinet, trench removal, and marking the electrode locations.

• Cabinet Preparation

The cabinet preparation for the resistivimeter began with the trench removal, followed by leveling the ground and laying a layer of gravel as a base. A layer of sand was added to enhance stability, then the base was concreted according to specifications. The wooden cabin structure was then built, with a sturdy frame anchored to the concrete base, wooden panels for the walls, and a waterproof roof (Figure 3). Final checks were performed to ensure structural stability, equipment security, and the waterproofing of the concrete base, providing an optimal setup for the resistivimeter and easy access to cables and connections.

The cabinet housing the resistivimeter must be carefully prepared to ensure the equipment functions correctly. Follow these steps:

- Position the solar panels above the cabin to maximize sunlight exposure.
- Install the batteries in a secure location inside the cabin, ensuring they are properly connected to both the resistivimeter and solar panels.
- Check the electrical connections to confirm they are secure and that no cables are damaged.



Fig. 63: Figure 4 : the batteries



Fig. 64: Figure 5: Laboratory OhmPi resistivity meter setup.





Fig. 65: Figure 6 : The preparation steps for the cabinet.

• Trench Removal

The removal of trenches for the two electrode lines perpendicular to the hedge was a methodical and precise step in site preparation. First, an accurate layout was established based on the installation plan, determining the exact positions of the electrodes. Then, the trenches were carefully excavated using appropriate tools, maintaining a depth of 10 cm and a width of 20 cm. Once the trenches were completed, precautions were taken to minimize disturbance to the surrounding soil, preserving the stability of the structure and avoiding any unwanted interference with the electrical resistivity measurements. Finally, after the electrodes were installed, the trenches were carefully refilled, restoring the site to its original condition as much as possible. This meticulous approach ensures the site integrity while facilitating precise measurements for reliable interpretation of Electrical Resistivity Tomography data.



Fig. 66: Figure 7 : Removal of trenches on the two lines of electrodes.

2. Electrode Placement

The electrode placement stage is a critical procedure requiring precise execution to ensure measurement quality. Initially, trenches were dug at the previously marked locations, ensuring adequate depth for electrode installation. Once the trenches were prepared, the electrodes were positioned horizontally according to the defined layout, ensuring uniform distribution. Special attention was given to the placement of a conductive material ?? around the electrodes to ensure effective soil contact. This material, carefully selected for its conductive properties, was applied in a manner that minimizes any interference that could compromise measurement quality. By combining precise trench digging, accurate electrode positioning, proper application of the conductive material, and sealing all connections between electrodes and electrical wires with silicone, we established optimal conditions for reliable and accurate data collection during the application of Electrical Resistivity Tomography.



Fig. 67: Figure 8 : The steps for setting up the electrodes.

3. Wiring Setup

The wiring process between the electrodes and the resistivimeter involves several methodical steps to ensure a stable and reliable connection for accurate data collection. First, cables are laid out from the resistivimeter to the pre-marked electrode locations. Connections between these cables at the OhmPi and between the cables themselves (Figure 9) are selected based on a predefined color-coding system, making it easier to identify connections. At this stage, a special resin is meticulously added to the connection boxes to ensure effective insulation and protection against adverse environmental conditions. This resin also guarantees electrical stability of the connections. The cables are then connected to the OhmPi following the predefined wiring diagram. A thorough check is performed at each step to ensure that all connections are secure and that the system is ready for accurate data collection during the subsequent application of Electrical Resistivity Tomography (ERT). This is achieved by running a sequence to check the contact resistances between the electrodes and the soil, aiming for acceptable values between 1 and 4 kOhms.



4. Trench Closure

Once the wiring has been securely fixed and the resin has had time to dry, the first step is to carefully replace the excavated soil back into the trench (Figure 7). Special care is taken to avoid any movement or displacement of the cables and electrodes. Soil compaction is done gradually, in thin layers, to minimize vibrations that could affect the layout of system components. To ensure proper closure, the contact resistance test is repeated at this stage, confirming all values are between 1 and 4 kOhm, indicating correct connections.

It is important to note that this trench closure stage is particularly sensitive, and any shift in electrode positioning



Fig. 68: Figure 9 : Wiring photo at the connection boxes between the cables and at the level of the cabinet.

could compromise the accuracy of subsequent measurements. Once the trenches are properly closed and the electrodes stabilized, the site is ready for Electrical Resistivity Tomography data collection, ensuring reliable and accurate results.

V. Tests

Tests are planned to be conducted on-site by initiating sequences remotely, once daily and multiple times according to weather events such as rainfall. These tests aim to demonstrate the robustness and functionality of the Electrical Resistivity Tomography (ERT) system. They involve remote activation of the geoelectrical monitoring devices, allowing automated data collection without requiring physical intervention on-site, except in cases of fuse and battery replacement. Through these sequences, the system records temporal variations in soil electrical resistivity, providing continuous, real-time monitoring. The results obtained from these tests contribute to observing significant variations caused by environmental, hydraulic, and meteorological phenomena. This automated approach enhances monitoring efficiency, enabling a rapid response to any notable changes while minimizing site disruptions. These regular tests play a vital role in the system's ongoing validation and contribute to acquiring reliable data for an in-depth analysis of soil conditions around the hedgerow in Pollionnay.

VI. Conclusion and perspective

In conclusion, the successful implementation of Electrical Resistivity Tomography (ERT) on the hedgerow in Pollionnay has yielded valuable data on soil electrical resistivity distribution. Instrumentation actions carried out in the laboratory and on-site demonstrated the systems reliability in automated data collection, thus strengthening continuous geoelectrical environmental monitoring.

Looking ahead, we plan to implement a measurement triggering strategy based on regular intervals, particularly during critical periods. This approach will combine continuous measurements with spot observations, aiming to capture soil changes at different temporal scales. Additionally, the goal is to minimize acquisition time while ensuring ade-





Fig. 69: Figure 10 : Trench Closure

quate temporal coverage. To further optimize measurement efficiency, an optimization sequence is under consideration. Acquiring rapid profiles becomes imperative, especially to track hydrological events such as heavy rainfall, soil infiltration, or groundwater level variations. This will allow measurements to be repeated following a "time-lapse" principle, providing an evolving temporal representation. This proactive approach will enable more precise management of environmental events impacting the Pollionnay hedgerow, while optimizing the collection of geoelectrical data.

1.22.2 Groundwater recharge and sustainable extraction through resilient forest communities

Introduction

In the following we describe our experience with instrumenting an OhmPi in Tamil Nadu, India. The OhmPi was installed to monitor an on-contour swale, a water retention structure used for rainwater retention and to enhance infiltration in Sadhana Forest, India (SFI). This deployment made possible through the project "Groundwater recharge and sustainable extraction through resilient forest communities", awarded by Geoscientists Without Borders (GWB) through the support of the Society of Exploration Geophysics (SEG). The deployment took place in May of 2024 during a period of 3 weeks with the help of many volunteers and remote help from the OhmPi team (in particular Guillaume Blanchy and Arnaud Watlet). Much of the work presented here results from the Master thesis of Neomi Widmer (ETH Zurich). We describe the site, methodology and challenges in more detail below.

Sadhana Forest India

Sadhana Forest is a non-for-profit organisation that focuses on water conservation, reforestation and community building practices. In India, near the town of Auroville, Sadhana Forest has been active since 2003 and has managed to reforest 46 hectares of severely eroded land with indigenous tree species, as well as exponentially increasing the water that is kept on the land from precipitation. To accomplish this they construct low-cost, small-scale methods such as check dams, gabions, and on-contour swales.



Fig. 70: Map-view of India with the location of Tamil Nadu and Auroville. The image (taken from Google Maps, 2024) shows the perimeter of the Sadhana Forest India community and the location of the study site within.

On-contour Swale

An on-contour swale comprises two primary components: a dug trench and an artificially heaped area referred to as a mound or hump. The swale is constructed along contour lines and is suitable for slope gradients between 1.5% and 6%. The primary purpose of an on-contour swale is to slow down water runoff on the slope, store it in the trench, and facilitate infiltration into the soil, thereby enhancing soil moisture available for plants. Water that is captured in the trench infiltrates both vertically and horizontally, increasing soil moisture through enhanced infiltration.



Fig. 71: (left) Schematic of the principle of an on-contour swale, showing the relative dimensions and preferential water flow. (right) Picture of the swale constructed on the site, and later instrumented with electrodes and soil moisture sensors. Figures taken from Neomi Widmer (2024, MSc thesis, ETH Zurich).

Upfront Challenges

-Sending equipment to India: We had to deal with customs as we were sending newly constructed (OhmPi) and used (cables) equipment. The solution was to donate this equipment to NGRI, our project partners.

-Weather: We knew upfront that we would have to deal with *extreme* weather, meaning high (sometimes 80%) humidity and temperature (up to 50 degrees in the shade). Also, the site is exposed to heavy winds with dust/sand likely to settle on the Components and boards. We therefore used protective sprays to cover the MUX and measurement boards.

Electrode and cable preparation



Fig. 72: Equipment: (A) the mechanical clamp used to attach a cable to the take-out of the main electrode line. (B) The take-out is sealed with self-healing waterproof tape. (C) The whole system is skink-tubed in place. (D) The plate electrodes, 10 cm in diameter, used for the installation. (E) Burying the electrodes \sim 10 cm in the soil. (F) Protective spray used to cover MUX and measurement boards, for resistance against heat, humidity and dust.

Deployment

Talk about installation on the swale site and control.

Include schematic of how the ohmpi is connected (+ batteries, UPS, WIFI, etc)

OhmPi installation

Outline the steps for deploying the OhmPi in the field, such as:

- 1. Transporting equipment and setting up at the field site.
- 2. Detailed steps for deploying equipment.
- 3. Monitoring and adjusting as necessary.

Consider including any images, diagrams, or code snippets that help explain the process.

Data Acquisition and Remote Access

In this subsection we cover a few topics, including how we managed to connect remotely to the OhmPi (from Switzerland to India), to run measurements in time-lapse mode, and to ensure that data backup takes place regularly.

Connecting Remotely

Two possibilities used in this project: 1. Using Raspberry Pi Connect, only for Pi4 and up. 2. Using (NordVPN) VPN and SSH



Fig. 73: Top view figure of the site, taken from Google maps, showing the location of the electrical resistivity lines on the swale and control sites, the location of the soil moisture sensors and weather station, as well as the location of the OhmPi.



Fig. 74: Pictures of the box used to host the Ohmpi, also showing the internal setup.

Time-Lapse Measurements

Running repeated measurements was possible through cron. Explain and give example bash script

Data Backup

Connection to Google Drive and daily uploads (explain, give example script)

Challenges

Discuss the main challenges encountered during the project. This section could include:

- Technical obstacles (e.g., limitations in equipment, software issues)
- Environmental factors (e.g., weather conditions, geographical limitations)
- Logistical concerns (e.g., transportation, time constraints)



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Lessons learned

More here soon

Current Status

More here soon

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- Tanvi Arora Project collaborator

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1.23 How to contribute

OhmPi is an open source system and contributions in terms of hardware and software are welcome. However, in order to maintain the project on tracks and promote exchange and reuse, it is necessary that contributors wishing to develop new software or hardware components follow a few basic steps detailed below. Contributors are also kindly asked to get in touch with the OhmPi developing team.

1.23.1 Developing hardware components

Here is a non exhaustive wish list of new hardware features that are planned/hoped to be developed in the future. Contributors are welcomed to join forces to make this list come true, or propose new ideas by creating a new issue in the Gitlab repository.

1.23.2 Developing software features

If the new developments purely concern the software (e.g. bug fix, new acquisition strategy, etc.), then please follow the git best practices by first creating a new issue and then create a local branch linked to this issue. Once the new feature is implemented, a pull request can be initiated.

1.23.3 Software interface to new hardware components

This section is intended for developers of a new hardware component as part of an OhmPi system.

It presents some advices and best practices that should help developing new hardware components to work within an OhmPi system.

Two cases should be distinguished when dealing with hardware development components:

1- Developments of a hardware component that comply with the way the OhmPi Hardware System works. Such developments typically focus on improving an existing component (reduce cost, improve performance, adapt range to specific applications, design with easily available parts...). The newly created hardware component will expose the minimal functionalities required by hardware_system for this type of component.

2- Developments of a hardware component that introduce changes in the way the OhmPi Hardware System works. Such developments do not only focus on improving a single component but also on the way to operate the system. A discussion with developers of the OhmPi_Hardware and OhmPi classes should be initiated at a very early stage to investigate the best ways to design and implement a working solution.

If you are dealing with case 1 or have designed a development path and strategy, you are ready to start.

First the hardware board/device should be conceived and designed. The Ohmpi team recommends that contributors design or import their boards within KiCAD and that both schemas and PCB are shared.

When developing a new component Class, always start your development in a new branch. 1- Create a new python file or make a copy and modify an existing similar component file. All hardware component modules are stored in the ohmpi/hardware_component directory. In the newly created python file, define a new class based on the relevant abstract class of abstract_hardware_components.py. Implement the abstract methods to interact with your hardware. Name the file according to the name of the component. Make sure to place this new python module in the ohmpi/hardware_component directory.

2- Create a new configuration file or make a copy and modify an existing configuration file. All existing config files are stored in the ohmpi/hardware_component directory. In this newly created config file, describe your system including the new component in the HARDWARE_CONFIG dictionary. Name it config_XXX.py where XXX should be replaced by an expression describing the system. Make sure to place your new config file in the ohmpi/configs directory.

3- Create a new script or make a copy and modify an existing script for testing the component. In this script, write python code where you will conduct the tests of the required functionalities of the new component.

1.23.4 Hardware components API

class ohmpi.hardware_components.abstract_hardware_components.CtlAbstract(**kwargs)

CTlAbstract Class Abstract class for controller

Attributes

cpu_temperature

class ohmpi.hardware_components.abstract_hardware_components.MuxAbstract(**kwargs)
 MUXAbstract Class Abstract class for MUX

Attributes

barrier

<pre>switch([elec_dict, state, bypass_check,])</pre>	Switch a given list of electrodes with different roles.
<pre>switch_one([elec, role, state])</pre>	Switches one single relay.
<pre>test(elec_dict[, activation_time])</pre>	Method to test the multiplexer.

reset

switch(elec_dict=None, state='off', bypass_check=False, bypass_ab_check=False)

Switch a given list of electrodes with different roles. Electrodes with a value of 0 will be ignored.

Parameters

elec_dict

[dictionary, optional] Dictionary of the form: {role: [list of electrodes]}.

state

[str, optional] Either 'on' or 'off'.

bypass_check: bool, optional

Bypasses checks for A==M or A==M or B==N (i.e. used for rs-check)

bypass_ab_check: bool, optional

Bypasses checks for A==B (i.e. used for testing r_shunt). Should be used with caution.

abstract switch_one(elec=None, role=None, state=None)

Switches one single relay.

Parameters

elec role state [str, optional] Either 'on' or 'off'.

test(elec_dict, activation_time=1.0)

Method to test the multiplexer.

Parameters

elec_dict

[dictionary, optional] Dictionary of the form: {role: [list of electrodes]}.

activation_time

[float, optional] Time in seconds during which the relays are activated.

Attributes

current pwr_state voltage

battery_voltage reload_settings reset_voltage

Attributes

bias

Gets the RX bias

gain

latency Gets the Rx latency

sampling_rate

voltage

Gets the voltage VMN in Volts

Methods

gain_auto reset_gain

property bias

Gets the RX bias

property latency

Gets the Rx latency

abstract property voltage

Gets the voltage VMN in Volts

class ohmpi.hardware_components.abstract_hardware_components.TxAbstract(**kwargs)

TxAbstract Class Abstract class for TX module

Attributes

current

Gets the current IAB in Amps

gain

injection_duration

latency Gets the Tx latency

measuring polarity pwr_state tx_bat voltage Gets the voltage VAB in Volts

inject([polarity, injection_duration, ...])
voltage_pulse([voltage, length, polarity])

Abstract method to define injection. Generates a square voltage pulse

current_pulse discharge_pwr reset_gain

abstract property current

Gets the current IAB in Amps

abstract inject(polarity=1, injection_duration=None, switch_pwr=False)

Abstract method to define injection.

Parameters

polarity: int, default 1 Injection polarity, can be eiter 1, 0 or -1.

injection_duration: float, default None Injection duration in seconds.

switch_pwr: bool Switch on and off tx.pwr.

property latency

Gets the Tx latency

property voltage

Gets the voltage VAB in Volts

voltage_pulse(voltage=0.0, length=None, polarity=1)

Generates a square voltage pulse

Parameters

voltage: float, optional Voltage to apply in volts, tx_v_def is applied if omitted.

length: float, optional Length of the pulse in seconds

polarity: 1,0,-1 Polarity of the pulse

class ohmpi.hardware_components.mb_2023_0_X.Rx(**kwargs)

RX class

Attributes

bias

Gets the RX bias

gain

latency Gets the Rx latency sampling_rate
voltage
Gets the voltage VMN in Volts

Methods



property voltage

Gets the voltage VMN in Volts

class ohmpi.hardware_components.mb_2023_0_X.Tx(**kwargs)

Tx Class

Attributes

current

Gets the current IAB in Amps

gain injection_duration latency Gets the Tx latency

measuring polarity pwr_state tx_bat voltage Gets the voltage VAB in Volts

Methods

<pre>inject([polarity, injection_duration,])</pre>	Abstract method to define injection.
<pre>voltage_pulse([voltage, length, polarity])</pre>	Generates a square voltage pulse

current_pulse
discharge_pwr
gain_auto
reset_ads
reset_gain
reset_mcp
test
test_ads

property current

Gets the current IAB in Amps

inject(polarity=1, injection_duration=None, switch_pwr=False)
Abstract method to define injection.

Parameters

polarity: int, default 1 Injection polarity, can be eiter 1, 0 or -1.

injection_duration: float, default None Injection duration in seconds.

switch_pwr: bool Switch on and off tx.pwr.

voltage_pulse(voltage=None, length=None, polarity=1)

Generates a square voltage pulse

Parameters

voltage: float, optional Voltage to apply in volts, tx_v_def is applied if omitted.

length: float, optional Length of the pulse in seconds

polarity: 1,0,-1 Polarity of the pulse

class ohmpi.hardware_components.mb_2024_0_2.Rx(**kwargs)

RX Class

Attributes

bias

Gets the RX bias

gain

latency Gets the Rx latency

sampling_rate

voltage

Gets the voltage VMN in Volts

Methods

gain_auto	
reset_ads	
reset_gain	
reset_mcp	
test	
test_ads	

property voltage

Gets the voltage VMN in Volts

class ohmpi.hardware_components.mb_2024_0_2.Tx(**kwargs)

TX Class

Attributes

current Gets the current IAB in Amps gain injection_duration latency Gets the Tx latency measuring polarity pwr_state tx_bat voltage Gets the voltage VAB in Volts

Methods

<pre>current_pulse([current, length, polarity])</pre>	Generates a square current pulse.
<pre>inject([polarity, injection_duration])</pre>	Abstract method to define injection.
<pre>test_r_shunt([voltage, deviation_threshold])</pre>	Test R shunt by comparing current measured by TX and current given by PWR module.
<pre>voltage_pulse([voltage, length, polarity])</pre>	Generates a square voltage pulse

discharge_pwr
gain_auto
reset_ads
reset_gain
reset_mcp
test
test_ads

current_pulse(current=None, length=None, polarity=1)

Generates a square current pulse. Currently no DPS can handle this...

Parameters

voltage: float, optional

Voltage to apply in volts, tx_v_def is applied if omitted.

length: float, optional

Length of the pulse in seconds.

polarity: 1,0,-1 Polarity of the pulse.

inject(polarity=1, injection_duration=None)

Abstract method to define injection.

Parameters

polarity: int, default 1 Injection polarity, can be eiter 1, 0 or -1.

injection_duration: float, default None

Injection duration in seconds.

switch pwr: bool

Switch on and off tx.pwr.

test_r_shunt(voltage=None, deviation_threshold=50.0)

Test R shunt by comparing current measured by TX and current given by PWR module. Given the low resolution of the power module compared to the ADS resolution, the test is performed while shortcutting A and B at low voltage to ensure a higher current. Test can only be performed with power source having pwr_voltage_adjustable set to True (i.e. currently pwr_dps5005 only) and Test will also ensure both polarity relays are working as expected.

Parameters

deviation_threshold: float, optional (default: 10)

Threshold in percent below which test is successful.

voltage: float, optional

Test voltage to be injected. Make sure it's not too high to not burn the shunt. voltage * $r_shunt_ohm < r_shunt_power$. Default is round($r_shunt*0.02, 3$)

class ohmpi.hardware_components.mux_2023_0_X.Mux(**kwargs)

Attributes

barrier

Methods

<pre>switch([elec_dict, state, bypass_check,])</pre>	Switch a given list of electrodes with different roles.
<pre>switch_one([elec, role, state])</pre>	Switches one single relay.
<pre>test(elec_dict[, activation_time])</pre>	Method to test the multiplexer.

reset	
reset_i2c_ext_tca	
reset_one	
reset_tca	

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Switches one single relay.

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class ohmpi.hardware_components.pwr_batt.Pwr(**kwargs)

Attributes

current pwr_state voltage

Methods

battery_voltage	
reload_settings	
reset_voltage	

class ohmpi.hardware_components.pwr_dph5005.Pwr(**kwargs)

Attributes

current current_max current_overload pwr_state voltage voltage_max

Methods

battery_voltage current_max_default power_max reload_settings reset_voltage voltage_default class ohmpi.hardware_components.raspberry_pi.Ctl(**kwargs)

Attributes

cpu_temperature

1.24 Archived versions

These versions are not supported anymore.

1.24.1 OhmPi V 1.01 (limited to 32 electrodes)

Warning

This version corresponds to the version published in the Hardware X journal. However, we have corrected the bugs that existed on this version and explained the missing mounting points in detail below. We invite you to refer to this document to assemble Ohmpi V1.01.

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Battery	12	V
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Input impedance	36	MOhm
Data storage	micro SD card	
Resolution	0.01	Ohm

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3-Click on Run>select interpreter, a new window opens click on interpret

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6- A new window opens, find the folder where there is the python 3 file in the virtual environment folder previously created **/home/pi/ohmpi/bin/python3**.

7- In the known interpreter tab the path of the virtual environment should appear

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- 8- Close the window by clicking on **ok**.
- 9- Close thonny to save modifications

Assembly of the measuring/current injection cards, and connection with the Raspberry Pi

Electrical resistivity measurements board

a) Description

To measure electrical resistivity with Raspberry Pi, an ADS1115 was introduced, as proposed by Florsch [7]. The ADS1115 is a 16-bit ADC (Analog-to-Digital Converter), with an adaptable gain. Its value has been set at 2/3 in this study. The input signal value could lie between - to + 6.114 V. The ADS1115 is mounted on a board adapted from an in-house design. Figure 5 shows the general diagram for the electronic measurement board developed. This figure also displays the test circuit used to test the board in the laboratory, which mimics the behavior of a soil subjected to current injection. In this test circuit, resistance R11 represents the soil resistance. Soil resistance R11 is connected to electrodes A and B for the current injection. Resistors R10 and R12 constitute the contact resistances between soil and electrodes; they are typically made of stainless steel. The battery, which allows for direct current injection, is connected in series with resistors R10, R11 and R12. In this part of the board, resistance R9 has been added to measure the current flowing between electrodes A and B. This resistance value has been set at 50 ohms in order to ensure: • a precise resistance, • a

resistance less than the sum of resistors R10, R11 and R12; indeed, R10 and R12 generally lie between 100 and 5,000 ohms. To measure the current intensity between A and B, the electrical potential difference at the pole of the reference resistor (R9) is measured. The intensity (in mA) is calculated by inserting the resulting value into the following: ? To measure the potential difference needed to measure current intensity, the ADS 1115 is connected to the ground of the circuit. In our case, the ground reference is electrode B. The analog inputs A1 and A0 of the ADS1115 are connected to each pole of the reference resistor (R9). In order to increase input impedance and adapt the signal gain, tracking amplifiers have been included and completed by a divider bridge (R5, R8, R6 and R7) located between the two amplifiers. The resistance of the divider bridge ensures that the signal remains between 0 and 5 V, in accordance with the ADS1115 signal gain. To measure the potential difference, the M and N electrodes are connected to analog inputs A2 and A3 of the ADS 1115. Between the ADC and the electrodes, two tracking amplifiers and a divider bridge have been positioned so as to obtain a potential lying within the 0-5 V range at the analog input of the ADS 1115. Let's note that the potential difference value would equal the potential measured with ADS1115 multiplied by the voltage reduction value of the divider bridge (see Section 5.2). Despite the use of high-resolution resistance (i.e. accurate to within 1%), it is still necessary to calibrate the divider bridge using a precision voltmeter. For this purpose, the input and output potentials of the divider bridge must be measured using an equivalent circuit for various electrical potential values. These values serve to calculate the gain. With this electronic board, it is possible to measure the potential and intensity without disturbing the electric field in the ground, with the total input impedance value being estimated at 36 mega-ohms. A shortcut between Electrodes A and B will generate excessive currents, whose intensities depend on the type of battery used. A lithium ion battery or automobile-type lead-acid battery can deliver a strong enough current to damage the board and, as such, constitutes a potential hazard. We therefore recommend adding a 1.5-A fuse between the battery and resistor R9.



Fig. 77: Measurement board

b) Implementation

The measurement board must be printed using the PCB file (Source file repository), with components soldered onto it by following the steps described below and illustrated in the following figure :

• Step no. 1: test divider bridge

For each measurement channel, we have installed a bridge divider, it is necessary to test with ohmmeter the value of the resistances, to adjust each coefficients (coef_p0, coef_p1, coef_p2, coef_p3) in the Ohmpi.py code..

coefpo = (R1 + R2)/R1coefp1 = (R3 + R4)/R3coefp2 = (R7 + R6)/R7coefp3 = (R9 + R8)/R9

```
36 """
37 hardware parameters
38 """
39 R_ref = 50 # reference resistance value in ohm
40 coef_p0 = 2.5 # slope for current conversion for ADS.P0, measurement in V/V
41 coef_p1 = 2.5 # slope for current conversion for ADS.P1, measurement in V/V
42 coef_p2 = 2.5 # slope for current conversion for ADS.P2, measurement in V/V
43 coef_p3 = 2.5 # slope for current conversion for ADS.P3, measurement in V/V
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The coefficient parameters can be adjusted in lines 40 to 43 of the ohmpi.py code.

- Step no. 2: installation of the 1-KOhm resistors with an accuracy of \pm 1%.
- Step no. 3: installation of the 1.5-KOhm resistors with an accuracy of $\pm 1\%$.
- Step no. 4: installation of both the black female 1 x 10 header and the 7-blue screw terminal blocks
- Step no. 5: installation of the 50-Ohm reference resistor \pm 0.1%, please check the value and correct the line 39 in ohmpi.py code
- Step no. 6: addition of both the ADS115 directly onto the header (pins must be plugged according to the figure) and the LM358N operational amplifiers (pay attention to the direction).

1-KOhm and 1.5-KOhm resistors apply to the divider bridge. If, for example, you prefer using a weaker or stronger power supply, it would be possible to adjust the divider bridge value by simply modifying these resistors. Once all the components have been soldered together, the measurement board can be connected to the Raspberry Pi and the battery terminal, according to Figure 9. Between the battery and the TX+ terminal of the measurement board, remember to place a fuse holder with a 1.5-A fuse for safety purposes.

Current injection board

To carry out the electrical resistivity measurement, the first step consists of injecting current into the ground. In our case, a simple 9-V lead-acid battery is used to create an electrical potential difference that results in current circulating into the ground. The current is injected through electrodes A and B (see Fig. 2). This injection is controlled via a 4-channel relay module board connected to the Raspberry Pi. The mechanical relay module board is shown in Figure 4. Relays 1 and 2 serve to switch on the current source. The common contacts of relays 1 and 2 are connected to the positive and negative battery poles, respectively. The normally open contacts of both relays are connected to the common contacts of relays 3 and 4. Relays 1 and 2 are connected to the GPIO 7 on the Raspberry Pi and therefore activate simultaneously. The role of relays 3 and 4 is to reverse the polarity at electrodes A and B. Thus, when relays 3 and 4 are energized by the GPIO 8 in the open position, the positive battery pole is connected to electrode A and the negative pole to electrode B. When not energized, they remain in the normally closed position. This set-up offers a simple and robust solution to inject current.

The next step consists of featuring the 4-channel relay module used for current injection and its assembly. The wiring between the relays must be carried out in strict accordance with Fig. 10. This card must then be connected to the Raspberry Pi and the measurement card. On the Raspberry Pi, it is necessary to connect inputs In1 and In2 to the same GPIO. For this purpose, it is necessary to solder together the two pins on the 4-channel relay shield module and connect them to the Raspberry Pi GPIO-7 (Fig. 10). The same must be performed for inputs In3 and In4 with GPIO-8. Connect the GND and 5Vdc pins of the relay card's 4 channels respectively to the GND pin and 5Vcc of the Raspberry



Fig. 78: Measurement circuit board assembly: a) printed circuit board, b) adding the 1-KOhm resistors $\pm 1\%$, c)adding the 1.5-KOhm resistors $\pm 1\%$, d) adding the black female 1 x 10 header and the 7-blue screw terminal block(2 pin, 3.5-mm pitch), e) adding the 50-ohm reference resistor $\pm 0.1\%$, and f) adding the ADS1115 and the LM358N low-power dual operational amplifiers



Fig. 79: Measurement board installation with Raspberry Pi



Fig. 80: Wiring of the 4-channel relay module board for current injection management

Pi. Now connect relays 1, 2, 3 and 4, as shown in the diagram, using 1-mm2 cables (red and black in Fig. 10). Lastly, connect the inputs of relay 1 and 2 respectively to terminals B and A of the measurement board.

Congratulations, you have build a 4 electrodes resistivity-meter.

First four electrodes resistivity measurement

Under construction !

Describe the way to validate the first part of the instruction. Electrical resistivity measurement on test circuit

Multiplexer implementation

The resistivity measurement is conducted on four terminals (A, B, M and N). The user could perform each measurement by manually plugging four electrodes into the four channel terminals. In practice, ERT requires several tens or thousands of measurements conducted on different electrode arrays. A multiplexer is therefore used to connect each channel to one of the 32 electrodes stuck into the ground, all of which are connected to the data logger.

We will describe below how to assemble the four multiplexers (MUX), one per terminal. A multiplexer consists of 2 relay modules with 16 channels each. On the first board, on each MUX, 15 relays out of the 16 available will be used. Please note that the suggested configuration enables making smaller multiplexers (8 or 16 electrodes only). On the other hand, if you prefer upping to 64 electrodes, which is entirely possible, a GPIO channel multiplier will have to be used. To prepare the multiplexer, the channels of the two relay boards must be connected according to the wiring diagram shown below.

For this purpose, 0.5-mm² cables with end caps are used and their length adjusted for each connection in order to produce a clean assembly. The length was adjusted so that the distance between the two points to be connected could be directly measured on the board once they had been assembled one above the other, in adding an extra 3 cm. The wires at the ends need to be stripped and the end caps added. As a final step, connect the cables to the correct connectors. This operation must be repeated in order to carry out all the wiring shown in Figure below.

Once the operation has been completed, the 16 control pins of each 16-channel relay shield card must be prepared. Each card actually contains 16 input channels for activating each relay (Fig. 12). However, we will be activating



Fig. 81: Current injection board installation with Raspberry Pi



several relays with a single GPIO (to limit the number of GPIOs used on Raspberry Pi, see Section 2.4). To execute this step, it will be necessary to follow the protocol presented in Figure.

Fig. 82: Connection to the 16-channel relay shield

For the 16-channel relay shield no. 1, these steps must be followed: * Position a test circuit with 10 horizontal and 10 vertical holes on the pins of the 16-channel relay shield board. * Follow the diagram and solder the pins as shown in Fig. * Lastly, solder 0.5-mm² wires 1 m in length to the test circuit.

For relay shield no. 2, follow the same procedure, but solder all the pins together (d-e-f). This same operation must be repeated for the other three multiplexers as well. The next step consists of connecting the relay card inputs to the Raspberry Pi according to Table 5 for all four multiplexers.

	Relay	shield n°1			Relay Shield n°2
	Pin 1	Pin 2-3	Pin 4-7	Pin 8-16	Pin 1- 16
Multiplexer A	12	16	20	21	26
Multiplexer B	18	23	24	25	19
Multiplexer M	06	13	04	17	27
Multiplexer N	22	10	09	11	05

Connection of the GPIOs to each multiplexer

Electrode connection

At this point, all that remains is to connect the electrodes of each multiplexer to a terminal block (Fig. 13). In our set-up, screw terminals assembled on a din rail were used. According to the chosen multiplexer configuration, all the relays of each multiplexer will be connected to an electrode and, consequently, each electrode will have four incoming connections. Instead of having four cables connecting an electrode terminal to each multiplexer, we recommend using the cable assembly shown in the following Figure.

the next figure provides an example of multiplexer relay connections for electrode no. 1: this electrode of multiplexer MUX A must be connected to electrode no. 1 of MUX B. Moreover, electrode no. 1 of MUX B must be connected to



Fig. 83: Wire cabling for multiplexer and terminal screw connection

electrode no. 1 of MUX N, which in turn must be connected to electrode no. 1 of MUX M. Lastly, electrode no. 1 of MUX M is connected to the terminal block. This operation must be repeated for all 32 electrodes.

Warning

The 16 channel relay cards exist in 5-V and 12-V, in the bottom figure we have 12-V cards that we will directly connect to the battery. In case you bought 16 channel relay 5-V cards, you will need to add a DC/DC 12-V/5-V converter. You can use a STEP DOWN MODULE DC-DC (Velleman WPM404) and set the voltage to 5V with the potentiometer.

Operating instruction

Preliminary procedure (Only for the initial operation)

The open source code must be downloaded at the Open Science Framework source file repository for this manuscript (https://osf.io/dzwb4/) or at the following Gitlab repository address: https://gitlab.irstea.fr/reversaal/OhmPi. The code must be then unzipped into a selected folder (e.g. OhmPi-master). A "readme" file is proposed in the directory to assist with installation of the software and required python packages. It is strongly recommended to create a python virtual environment for installing the required packages and running the code.

Startup procedure

As an initial operating instruction, all batteries must be disconnected before any hardware handling. Ensure that the battery is charged at full capacity. Plug all the electrodes (32 or fewer) into the screw terminals. The Raspberry Pi must be plugged into a computer screen, with a mouse and keyboard accessed remotely. The Raspberry Pi must then be plugged into the power supply (for laboratory measurements) or a power bank (5V - 2A for field measurements). At this point, you'll need to access the Raspbian operating system. Inside the previously created folder "ohmPi", the protocol file "ABMN.txt" must be created or modified; this file contains all quadrupole ABMN numeration (an example is proposed with the source code). Some input parameters of the main "ohmpi.py" function may be adjusted/optimized depending on the measurement attributes. For example, both the current injection duration and number of stacks can be adjusted. At this point, the9 V and 12-V battery can be plugged into the hardware; the "ohmpi.py" source code must be run within a python3 environment (or a virtual environment if one has been created) either in the terminal or using Thonny. You should now hear the characteristic sound of a relay switching as a result of electrode permutation. After each quadrupole measurement, the potential difference as well as the current intensity and resistance are displayed on the screen. A measurement file is automatically created and named "measure.csv"; it will be placed in the same folder.



Fig. 84: Example of a multiplexer connection to the screw terminal for electrode no. 1.

Electrical resistivity measurement parameters description

..... 27 measurement parameters 28 29 nb_electrodes = 32 # maximum number of electrodes on the resistivity meter 30 injection_duration = 0.5 # Current injection duration in second 31 nbr_meas= 1 # Number of times the quadrupole sequence is repeated 32 sequence_delay= 30 # Delay in seconds between 2 sequences 33 stack= 1 # repetition of the current injection for each quadrupole 34

The measurement parameters can be adjusted in lines 27 to 30 of the ohmpi.py code.

Complete list of components

Warning

The list evolve a little bit after the publication of the article, it is necessary to refer to this list, the article is out of date

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Activate virtual environment on Thonny (Python IDE) (on Raspberry Pi)

If you decided to use a virtual environment, it is necessary to setup Thonny Python IDE the first time you use it.

1- Run the Thonny Python IDE software, Click on raspberry access menu > programming> Thonny pythonIDE

2- Thonny opens, Python runs on the root (Python 3.7.3 (/usr/bin/python3))

3-Click on Run>select interpreter, a new window opens click on interpret

4-On the new open windows select alternative Python3 or virtual environment

5- New buttons appeared, selected "locate another python executable "

6- A new window opens, find the folder where there is the python 3 file in the virtual environment folder previously created **/home/pi/ohmpi/bin/python3**.

7- In the known interpreter tab the path of the virtual environment should appear

8- Close the window by clicking on ok.

9- Close thonny to save modifications



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Assembly of the measuring/current injection cards, and connection with the Raspberry Pi Electrical resistivity measurements board

a) Description

To measure electrical resistivity with Raspberry Pi, an ADS1115 was introduced, as proposed by Florsch [7]. The ADS1115 is a 16-bit ADC (Analog-to-Digital Converter), with an adaptable gain. Its value has been set at 2/3 in this study. The input signal value could lie between - to + 6.114 V. The ADS1115 is mounted on a board adapted from an in-house design. Figure 5 shows the general diagram for the electronic measurement board developed. This figure also displays the test circuit used to test the board in the laboratory, which mimics the behavior of a soil subjected to current injection. In this test circuit, resistance R11 represents the soil resistance. Soil resistance R11 is connected to electrodes A and B for the current injection. Resistors R10 and R12 constitute the contact resistances between soil and electrodes; they are typically made of stainless steel. The battery, which allows for direct current injection, is connected in series with resistors R10, R11 and R12. In this part of the board, resistance R9 has been added to measure the current flowing between electrodes A and B. This resistance value has been set at 50 ohms in order to ensure: • a precise resistance, • a resistance less than the sum of resistors R10, R11 and R12; indeed, R10 and R12 generally lie between 100 and 5,000 ohms. To measure the current intensity between A and B, the electrical potential difference at the pole of the reference resistor (R9) is measured. The intensity (in mA) is calculated by inserting the resulting value into the following: ? To measure the potential difference needed to measure current intensity, the ADS 1115 is connected to the ground of the circuit. In our case, the ground reference is electrode B. The analog inputs A1 and A0 of the ADS1115 are connected to each pole of the reference resistor (R9). In order to increase input impedance and adapt the signal gain, tracking amplifiers have been included and completed by a divider bridge (R5, R8, R6 and R7) located between the two amplifiers. The resistance of the divider bridge ensures that the signal remains between 0 and 5 V, in accordance with the ADS1115 signal gain. To measure the potential difference, the M and N electrodes are connected to analog inputs A2 and A3 of the ADS 1115. Between the ADC and the electrodes, two tracking amplifiers and a divider bridge have been positioned so as to obtain a potential lying within the 0-5 V range at the analog input of the ADS 1115. Let's note that the potential difference value would equal the potential measured with ADS1115 multiplied by the voltage reduction value of the divider bridge (see Section 5.2). Despite the use of high-resolution resistance (i.e. accurate to within 1%), it is still necessary to calibrate the divider bridge using a precision voltmeter. For this purpose, the input and output potentials of the divider bridge must be measured using an equivalent circuit for various electrical potential values. These values serve to calculate the gain. With this electronic board, it is possible to measure the potential and intensity without disturbing the electric field in the ground, with the total input impedance value being estimated at 36 mega-ohms. A shortcut between Electrodes A and B will generate excessive currents, whose intensities depend on the type of battery used. A lithium ion battery or automobile-type lead-acid battery can deliver a strong enough current to damage the board and, as such, constitutes a potential hazard. We therefore recommend adding a 1.5-A fuse between the battery and resistor R9. In version 1.02, we have improved the electronic board of measurement. we have added a DC/DC converter to supply the operational amplifiers (2 Traco power DC/DC converter TRN3-1215). These converters allow to limit the suppression of the signal when the injected voltage is higher than 10V. We also added 4 capacitors on the +12v inputs of the fast operational amplifiers. These are decoupling capacitors (typically 100nF ceramic) between each power supply terminal and ground. The last point, we have added a four very high resistances of 10 MOhm, between the ground and the signal input on the operational amplifiers. This prevents the operational amplifiers from overheating.

Note

If you want to have very accurate measurements you can replace the resistors with a tolerance of 1% by resistors with a tolerance of 0.01% which will improve the measurement, but the cost will be higher.



Fig. 85: Measurement board (Ohmpi version 1.02)

b) Implementation

The measurement board must be printed using the PCB file (Source file repository), with components soldered onto it by following the steps described below and illustrated in the following figure :

• Step no. 1: test divider bridge

For each measurement channel, we have installed a bridge divider, it is necessary to test with ohmmeter the value of the resistances, to adjust each coefficients (coef_p0, coef_p1, coef_p2, coef_p3) in the Ohmpi.py code..

$$coefpo = (R1 + R2)/R1$$

 $coefp1 = (R3 + R4)/R3$
 $coefp2 = (R7 + R6)/R7$
 $coefp3 = (R9 + R8)/R9$

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    R_ref = 50 # reference resistance value in ohm
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    coef_p0 = 2.5 \# slope for current conversion for ADS.P0, measurement in V/V
40
    coef_p1 = 2.5 # slope for current conversion for ADS.P1, measurement in V/V
41
    coef_p2 = 2.5 # slope for current conversion for ADS.P2, measurement in V/V
42
    coef_p3 = 2.5 \# slope for current conversion for ADS.P3, measurement in V/V
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The coefficient parameters can be adjusted in lines 40 to 43 of the ohmpi.py code.

- Step no. 2: installation of the 1-KOhm resistors with an accuracy of \pm 1% (b-in the figure).
- Step no. 3: installation of the 1.5-KOhm resistors with an accuracy of $\pm 1\%$ (C-in the figure).

- Step no. 4: installation of both the black female 1 x 10 header and the 7-blue screw terminal blocks (c-in the figure)
- Step no. 5: installation of the 50-Ohm reference resistor ± 0.1%, please check the value and correct the line 39 in ohmpi.py code (d-in the figure)
- Step no. 6: addition of both the ADS115 directly onto the header (pins must be plugged according to the figure) and the LM358N operational amplifiers (pay attention to the orientation) (e-in the figure).
- Step no. 7: installation of the 10-MOhm resistors with an accuracy of \pm 5% (f-in the figure).
- Step no. 8: installation of the two DC/DC converter TRN3-1215 (h-in the figure).
- Step no. 9: installation of the four capacitor on 100-nF/50vDC and the fuse of 10-A (h-in the figure).

1-KOhm and 1.5-KOhm resistors apply to the divider bridge. If, for example, you prefer using a stronger power supply, it would be possible to adjust the divider bridge value by simply modifying these resistors. Once all the components have been soldered together, the measurement board can be connected to the Raspberry Pi and the battery terminal, according to Figure 9. Between the battery and the TX+ terminal of the measurement board, remember to place a fuse holder with a 1.5-A fuse for safety purposes.

Current injection board

To carry out the electrical resistivity measurement, the first step consists of injecting current into the ground. In our case, a simple 9-V lead-acid battery is used to create an electrical potential difference that results in current circulating into the ground. The current is injected through electrodes A and B (see Fig. 2). This injection is controlled via a 4-channel relay module board connected to the Raspberry Pi. The mechanical relay module board is shown in Figure 4. Relays 1 and 2 serve to switch on the current source. The common contacts of relays 1 and 2 are connected to the positive and negative battery poles, respectively. The normally open contacts of both relays are connected to the common contacts of relays 3 and 4. Relays 1 and 2 are connected to the GPIO 7 on the Raspberry Pi and therefore activate simultaneously. The role of relays 3 and 4 is to reverse the polarity at electrodes A and B. Thus, when relays 3 and 4 are energized by the GPIO 8 in the open position, the positive battery pole is connected to electrode A and the negative pole to electrode B. When not energized, they remain in the normally closed position. This set-up offers a simple and robust solution to inject current.

The next step consists of featuring the 4-channel relay module used for current injection and its assembly. The wiring between the relays must be carried out in strict accordance with Fig. 10. This card must then be connected to the Raspberry Pi and the measurement card. On the Raspberry Pi, it is necessary to connect inputs In1 and In2 to the same GPIO. For this purpose, it is necessary to solder together the two pins on the 4-channel relay shield module and connect them to the Raspberry Pi GPIO-7 (Fig. 10). The same must be performed for inputs In3 and In4 with GPIO-8. Connect the GND and 5Vdc pins of the relay card's 4 channels respectively to the GND pin and 5Vcc of the Raspberry Pi. Now connect relays 1, 2, 3 and 4, as shown in the diagram, using 1-mm2 cables (red and black in Fig. 10). Lastly, connect the inputs of relay 1 and 2 respectively to terminals B and A of the measurement board.

Congratulations, you have build a 4 electrodes resistivity-meter.

First four electrodes resistivity measurement

Under construction !

Describe the way to validate the first part of the instruction. Electrical resistivity measurement on test circuit

Multiplexer implementation

The resistivity measurement is conducted on four terminals (A, B, M and N). The user could perform each measurement by manually plugging four electrodes into the four channel terminals. In practice, ERT requires several tens or thousands of measurements conducted on different electrode arrays. A multiplexer is therefore used to connect each channel to one of the 32 electrodes stuck into the ground, all of which are connected to the data logger.



Fig. 86: Measurement circuit board assembly: a) printed circuit board, b) adding the 1-KOhm resistors $\pm 1\%$, c)adding the 1.5-KOhm resistors $\pm 1\%$, d) adding the black female 1 x 10 header and the 7-blue screw terminal block(2 pin, 3.5-mm pitch), e) adding the 50-ohm reference resistor $\pm 0.1\%$, and f) adding the ADS1115 and the LM358N low-power dual operational amplifiers



Fig. 87: Measurement board installation with Raspberry Pi



Fig. 88: Wiring of the 4-channel relay module board for current injection management

We will describe below how to assemble the four multiplexers (MUX), one per terminal. A multiplexer consists of 2 relay modules with 16 channels each. On the first board, on each MUX, 15 relays out of the 16 available will be used. Please note that the suggested configuration enables making smaller multiplexers (8 or 16 electrodes only). On the other hand, if you prefer upping to 64 electrodes, which is entirely possible, a GPIO channel multiplier will have to be used. To prepare the multiplexer, the channels of the two relay boards must be connected according to the wiring diagram shown below.

For this purpose, 0.5-mm² cables with end caps are used and their length adjusted for each connection in order to produce a clean assembly. The length was adjusted so that the distance between the two points to be connected could be directly measured on the board once they had been assembled one above the other, in adding an extra 3 cm. The wires at the ends need to be stripped and the end caps added. As a final step, connect the cables to the correct connectors. This operation must be repeated in order to carry out all the wiring shown in Figure below.

Once the operation has been completed, the 16 control pins of each 16-channel relay shield card must be prepared. Each card actually contains 16 input channels for activating each relay (Fig. 12). However, we will be activating several relays with a single GPIO (to limit the number of GPIOs used on Raspberry Pi, see Section 2.4). To execute this step, it will be necessary to follow the protocol presented in Figure.

For the 16-channel relay shield no. 1, these steps must be followed: * Position a test circuit with 10 horizontal and 10 vertical holes on the pins of the 16-channel relay shield board. * Follow the diagram and solder the pins as shown in Fig. * Lastly, solder 0.5-mm² wires 1 m in length to the test circuit.

For relay shield no. 2, follow the same procedure, but solder all the pins together (d-e-f). This same operation must be repeated for the other three multiplexers as well. The next step consists of connecting the relay card inputs to the Raspberry Pi according to Table 5 for all four multiplexers.



Fig. 89: Current injection board installation with Raspberry Pi



Fig. 90: Schematic diagram of the wiring of two 16-channel relay shields



Fig. 91: Connection to the 16-channel relay shield

	Relay	shield n°1		Relay Shield n°2	
	Pin 1	Pin 2-3	Pin 4-7	Pin 8-16	Pin 1- 16
Multiplexer A	12	16	20	21	26
Multiplexer B	18	23	24	25	19
Multiplexer M	06	13	04	17	27
Multiplexer N	22	10	09	11	05

Connection of the GPIOs to each multiplexer

Electrode connection

At this point, all that remains is to connect the electrodes of each multiplexer to a terminal block (Fig. 13). In our set-up, screw terminals assembled on a din rail were used. According to the chosen multiplexer configuration, all the relays of each multiplexer will be connected to an electrode and, consequently, each electrode will have four incoming connections. Instead of having four cables connecting an electrode terminal to each multiplexer, we recommend using the cable assembly shown in the following Figure.



Fig. 92: Wire cabling for multiplexer and terminal screw connection

the next figure provides an example of multiplexer relay connections for electrode no. 1: this electrode of multiplexer MUX A must be connected to electrode no. 1 of MUX B. Moreover, electrode no. 1 of MUX B must be connected to electrode no. 1 of MUX N, which in turn must be connected to electrode no. 1 of MUX M. Lastly, electrode no. 1 of MUX M is connected to the terminal block. This operation must be repeated for all 32 electrodes.

Warning

The 16 channel relay cards exist in 5-V and 12-V, in the bottom figure we have 12-V cards that we will directly connect to the battery. In case you bought 16 channel relay 5-V cards, you will need to add a DC/DC 12-V/5-V converter. You can use a STEP DOWN MODULE DC-DC (Velleman WPM404) and set the voltage to 5V with the potentiometer.

Operating instruction

Preliminary procedure (Only for the initial operation)

The open source code must be downloaded at the Open Science Framework source file repository for this manuscript (https://osf.io/dzwb4/) or at the following Gitlab repository address: https://gitlab.irstea.fr/reversaal/OhmPi. The code



Fig. 93: Example of a multiplexer connection to the screw terminal for electrode no. 1.

must be then unzipped into a selected folder (e.g. OhmPi-master). A "readme" file is proposed in the directory to assist with installation of the software and required python packages. It is strongly recommended to create a python virtual environment for installing the required packages and running the code.

Startup procedure

As an initial operating instruction, all batteries must be disconnected before any hardware handling. Ensure that the battery is charged at full capacity. Plug all the electrodes (32 or fewer) into the screw terminals. The Raspberry Pi must be plugged into a computer screen, with a mouse and keyboard accessed remotely. The Raspberry Pi must then be plugged into the power supply (for laboratory measurements) or a power bank (5V - 2A for field measurements). At this point, you'll need to access the Raspbian operating system. Inside the previously created folder "ohmPi", the protocol file "ABMN.txt" must be created or modified; this file contains all quadrupole ABMN numeration (an example is proposed with the source code). Some input parameters of the main "ohmpi.py" function may be adjusted/optimized depending on the measurement attributes. For example, both the current injection duration and number of stacks can be adjusted. At this point, the9 V and 12-V battery can be plugged into the hardware; the "ohmpi.py" source code must be run within a python3 environment (or a virtual environment if one has been created) either in the terminal or using Thonny. You should now hear the characteristic sound of a relay switching as a result of electrode permutation. After each quadrupole measurement, the potential difference as well as the current intensity and resistance are displayed on the screen. A measurement file is automatically created and named "measure.csv"; it will be placed in the same folder.

Electrical resistivity measurement parameters description

In the version 1.02, the measurement parameters are in the Jason file (ohmpi_param.json).

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nb_electrodes = 32 # maximum number of electrodes on the resistivity meter
injection_duration = 0.5 # Current injection duration in second
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nbr_meas= 1 # Number of times the quadrupole sequence is repeated

sequence_delay= 30 # Delay in seconds between 2 sequences

- stack= 1 # repetition of the current injection for each quadrupole
- export_path= "home/pi/Desktop/measurement.csv"

Complete list of components

Warning

The list evolve a little bit after the publication of the article, it is necessary to refer to this list, the article is out of date

			Table 15	. List of components		
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4- Cl 5V Re M ul	hanne √ elay od- e	1	7.99	7.99	Sain Smart	20-018-101-CMS
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H se 1x	eader ts 10	1	2.68	2.68	Samtec	SSW-110-02-G-S
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