

EC150

CO2/H2O Open-Path Gas Analyzer



# Innovative Design

Use as part of open-path eddycovariance systems or as a standalone IRGA

#### Overview

Campbell Scientific's EC150 is an open-path analyzer specifically designed for eddy-covariance carbon and water flux measurements. As a stand-alone analyzer, it simultaneously measures absolute carbon-dioxide and water-

vapor densities, air temperature, and barometric pressure. With the optional CSAT3A sonic anemometer head, threedimensional wind speed and sonic air temperature are measured.

#### **Benefits and Features**

- New conformal coating helps protect sonic transducers in corrosive environments
- ▶ Unique optical configuration gives a slim aerodynamic shape with minimal wind distortion
- Analyzer and sonic anemometer measurements are synchronized by a common set of electronics
- Maximum output rate of 60 Hz with 20 Hz bandwidth
- Low power consumption; suitable for solar power applications
- **)** Low noise
- Measurements are temperature compensated without active heat control
- Angled windows to shed water and are tolerant to window contamination

- > Field rugged
- > Field serviceable
- ▶ Factory calibrated over wide range of CO<sub>2</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>O, pressure, and temperature in all combinations encountered in practice
- **Extensive set of diagnostic parameters**
- > Fully compatible with Campbell Scientific dataloggers; field setup, configuration, and field zero and span can be accomplished directly from the datalogger
- Speed of sound determined from three acoustic paths; corrected for crosswind effects
- Innovative signal processing and transducer wicks considerably improve performance of the anemometer during precipitation events



### **Detailed Description**

The CSAT3A has the following outputs:

- **)** U<sub>x</sub> (m/s)\*
- **)** U<sub>v</sub> (m/s)\*
- **)** U<sub>z</sub> (m/s) \*
- **▶** Sonic Temperature (°C)\*
- ▶ Sonic Diagnostic\*

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 $\bigcirc$  CO<sub>2</sub> Density (mg/m<sup>3</sup>)

- $\rightarrow$  H<sub>2</sub>O Density (g/m<sup>3</sup>)
- **▶** Gas Analyzer Diagnostic
- **▶** Ambient Temperature (°C)
- Atmospheric Pressure (kPa)
- **>** CO₂ Signal Strength
- ▶ H<sub>2</sub>O Signal Strength
- **▶** Source Temperature (°C)

\*The first five outputs require the CSAT3A Sonic Anemometer

## **Specifications**

Operating Temperature Range	-30° to +50°C
Calibrated Pressure Range	70 to 106 kPa
Input Voltage Range	10 to 16 Vdc
Power	5 W (steady state and power up) at $25^{\circ}\text{C}$
Measurement Rate	60 Hz
Output Bandwidth	5, 10, 12.5, or 20 Hz (user- programmable)
Output Options	SDM, RS-485, USB, analog (CO $_2$ and H $_2$ O only)
Auxiliary Inputs	Air temperature and pressure
Gas Analyzer/Sonic Volume Separation	5.0 cm (2.0 in.)
Warranty	3 years or 17,500 hours of operation (whichever comes first)
Cable Length	3 m (10 ft) from EC150 and CSAT3A to EC100
Weight	<ul> <li>1.7 kg (3.7 lb) for CSAT3A head and cables</li> <li>2.0 kg (4.4 lb) for EC150 head and cables</li> <li>3.2 kg (7.1 lb) for EC100 electronics</li> </ul>
Gas Analyzer	
Path Length	15.37 cm (6.05 in.) A temperature of 20°C and pressure of 101.325 kPa was used to convert mass density to concentration.

Gas Analyzer - CO <sub>2</sub> F	Performance
-NOTE-	A temperature of 20°C and pressure of 101.325 kPa was used to convert mass density to concentration.
Accuracy	<ul> <li>1% (standard deviation of calibration residuals)</li> <li>Assumes the following: the gas analyzer was properly zero and spanned using the appropriate standards; CO<sub>2</sub> span</li> </ul>
	concentration was 400 ppm; H <sub>2</sub> O span dewpoint was at 12°C (16.7 ppt); zero/span temperature was 25°C; zero/span pressure was 84 kPa; subsequent measurements made at or near the span concentration; temperature is not more than ±6°C from the zero/span temperature; and ambient temperature is within the gas analyzer operating temperature range.
Precision RMS (maximum)	0.2 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (0.15 μmol/mol)
	Nominal conditions for precision verification test: 25°C, 86 kPa, 400 μmol/mol CO <sub>2</sub> , 12°C dewpoint, and 20 Hz bandwidth.
Calibrated Range	0 to 1,000 μmol/mol (0 to 3,000 μmol/mole available upon request.)
Zero Drift with Temperatur (maximum)	e±0.55 mg/m³/°C (±0.3 μmol/mol/ °C)

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

Cross Sensitivity (maximum) $\pm 1.1 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mol CO}_2/\text{mol H}_2\text{O}$ 

Gas Analyzer - H <sub>2</sub> O Performance	
-NOTE-	A temperature of 20°C and pressure of 101.325 kPa was used to convert mass density to concentration.
Accuracy	Assumes the following: the gas analyzer was properly zero and spanned using the appropriate standards; CO <sub>2</sub> span concentration was 400 ppm; H <sub>2</sub> O span dewpoint was at 12°C (16.7 ppt); zero/span temperature was 25°C; zero/span pressure was 84 kPa; subsequent measurements made at or near the span concentration; temperature is not more than ±6°C from the zero/span temperature; and ambient temperature is within the gas analyzer operating temperature range.  2% (standard deviation of calibration residuals)
Precision RMS (maximum)	0.004 g/m <sup>3</sup> mmol/mol (0.006 mmol/mol)  Nominal conditions for precision verification test: 25°C, 86 kPa, 400 μmol/mol CO <sub>2</sub> , 12°C dewpoint, and 20 Hz bandwidth.

Calibrated Range	0 to 72 mmol/mol (38°C dewpoint)
Zero Drift with Temperat (maximum)	cure±0.037 g/m³/°C (±0.05 mmol/mol/°C)
Gain Drift with Temperat (maximum)	cure ±0.3% of reading/°C

Cross Sensitivity (maximum) ±0.1 mol H<sub>2</sub>O/mol CO<sub>2</sub>

Sonic Anemometer - Accuracy	
Offset Error	<ul> <li>±0.7° while horizontal wind at 1 m s<sup>-1</sup> (for wind direction)</li> <li>&lt; ±4.0 cm s<sup>-1</sup> (for u<sub>z</sub>)</li> <li>&lt; ±8.0 cm s<sup>-1</sup> (for u<sub>x</sub>, u<sub>y</sub>)</li> </ul>
Gain Error	<ul> <li>&lt; ±2% of reading (for wind vector within ±5° of horizontal)</li> <li>&lt; ±3% of reading (for wind vector within ±10° of horizontal)</li> <li>&lt; ±6% of reading (for wind vector within ±20° of horizontal)</li> </ul>
Measurement Precision RMS	<ul> <li>0.025°C (for sonic temperature)</li> <li>1 mm s<sup>-1</sup> (for u<sub>x</sub>, u<sub>y</sub>)</li> <li>0.5 mm s<sup>-1</sup> (for u<sub>z</sub>)</li> <li>0.6° (for wind direction)</li> </ul>
Speed of Sound	Determined from 3 acoustic paths (corrected for crosswind effects)
Rain	Innovative ultrasonic signal processing and user-installable wicks considerably improve the performance of the anemometer under all rain events.

Ambient Temperature		
Manufacturer	BetaTherm 100K6A1IA	
Total Accuracy	±0.15°C (-30°C to +50°C)	

