

User Guide QL40 ELOG/IP – Normal Resistivity and Induced Polarization Probe





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1 General Information

QL stands for Quick Link and describes the latest line of stackable logging tools. This development is a joint venture of Mount Sopris Instruments (MSI) and Advanced Logic Technology (ALT). Innovative connections between tool elements (subs) allow users to build their own tool strings in the field.

The Tool Stack Factory – a sophisticated extension of the acquisition software – provides a convenient way to configure tool strings for operation.

Each sub has a Telemetry and Power supply element, the TelePSU, allowing them to operate individually without a separate telemetry sub. As a result all QL subs can be operated as standalone probes or in combination with other subs.

The **QL40-ELOG** sub provides four normal resistivity measurements, plus spontaneous potential (SP) and single point resistance (SPR). The QL40-ELOG can be operated as a standalone probe with isolation bridle and bottom sub or can be stacked above or below another sub. In general, the isolation bridle must be located directly above the QL40-ELOG sub. Isolation from armor is a critical requirement that cannot be overemphasized when running any resistivity probe. Incorrect measurements will result if isolation is not adequate.

The **QL40-ELOG** sub can be upgraded to a **QL40-ELOG/IP** sub upon request. In this configuration, the **QL40-ELOG/IP** provides four normal resistivity measurements, plus spontaneous potential (SP) and single point resistance. In addition, the IP function provides two digital Induced Polarization channels. The IP uses the 16 and 64 inch electrodes as receivers, and the current electrode as an IP charging source. The probe measures the injection and relaxation voltages on both measure electrodes as a function of time. This measurement is digitized and presented as 10 channels of time based data per depth interval for each spacing. In addition, a high resolution A/D further breaks each channel into 10 more discrete samples, providing a "full wave" presentation of the injection and relaxation decay. A chargeability curve is also derived from the measurement.

1.1 Dimensions



Figure 1-1 Tool general arrangement

1.2 QL40-ELOG/IP Technical Specifications

ТооІ		
Diameter:	43mm	(1.7") with neoprene heat shrink
Length:	1.9m (7	74.8")
Weight:	9 Kg (1	9.8 lbs)
Max. Temp:	70°C (1	58°F)
Max.Pressure:	200bar	(2900 PSI)
Power requirements:		
DC voltage at probe top	Nomina	al 120 VDC - Min.80 VDC – Max. 160 VDC
Current source	32V pp	square wave (+:-16V) at up 500 mA
Cable:		
Cable type:	Mono,	Coaxial, 4 or 7 conductor
Digital data transmission:	Up to 5	00 Kbits per second depending on wireline
Compatibility:	ALTIOg	ger – BBOX – Matrix
Electrode details:		
Current electrode	50mm (304 stainless steel
Measure electrodes	18mm	304 stainless steel
Electrode reference measuring	point (fr	om bottom of bronze knurled ring):
Spontaneous Potential (SP)	1.69m	
8" Normal	0.16m	
16" Normal	0.26m	
32" Normal	0.47m	
64" Normal	0.87m	
Single Point Resistance (SPR)	0.06m	
Measurement specifications:		
Spontaneous Potential (SP)	0	Range: +/- 18V
, , , , ,	0	Resolution: 0.5 mV
	0	Accuracy: +/- 2.5 mV
8″-16″-32″-64″Normal Resistivities and Sinale Point	0	Range: 0.1 to 100.000 Ohm.m
Resistance	ο	Resolution:
		<0.04% of measured value (24 bi/0.5 ms ADC
		with real time downhole digital filtering
	0	Accuracy:
		<1% of measured value from 1 to 5.000
		Ohm.m
		<5% of measured value from 5.000 to 50.000

Ohm.m

Induced Polarization (IP) measured on 16" and 64" electrodes

- User selectable injection/release times (100ms-250- 500ms)
- 10 equal time window chargeability per spacing
- Digitally controlled 8 watt downhole current generator
- Simultaneous full-wave digitizing of electrode voltages for both spacings
- 24 bit/0.5 ms ADC with downhole real-time filtering and processing
- \circ Resolution: 1.2µV
- o Input impedance: 1.4 M-Ohm



Figure 1-2 Accuracy versus resistivity

2 Measurement Principle

The **QL40-ELOG/IP** has 5 electrodes which are used for measuring normal resistivity at 4 spacings, spontaneous potential, and single point resistance. The QL40-ELOG/IP sub <u>must have</u> an isolation bridle placed above it to provide a remote reference electrode for the normal resistivity channels, and a remote return for the injection current.

The **SP** (spontaneous potential) is measured between the 64" normal measure electrode and armor. The data recorded as SP or VSP measures the natural voltages sensed by this electrode. These voltages can be related to both electrochemical and electrokinetic forces in the borehole. The electrochemical SP is developed when there is a difference between the formation fluid and borehole fluid salinities, and occurs normally when the measure electrode passes a clay or shaly zone, which acts as an ion selective membrane. The resulting current flow in a "cell" comprised of those three elements provides a negative SP if the borehole fluid is less conductive than the formation fluid. In fresh water zones, the SP is often positive. The electrokinetic SP can occur when borehole fluid mechanically invades porous and permeable formation, causing a current flow.

The **SPR** is measured between the **"A"** current injection electrode on the bottom of the probe and the isolated cable armor above the bridle. This SPR is a qualitative indication of the electrical resistance of the formation material immediately adjacent to the current electrode. The principal of measurement follows Ohm's law, where R=V/I. As the current flows toward the armor return, the current density (I/cross-sectional area) decreases dramatically. This means that the majority of the resistance measured is influenced by the material closest to the current electrode. For this reason, the SPR is very sensitive to small changes in resistance close to the borehole.

The four **Normal Resistivity** measurements are made at the halfway between the "A" current injection electrode and each of the 4 "M" normal resistivity electrodes. The normal resistivity measurement includes a reference electrode, called "N", which is assumed to be at electrical infinity compared to the measure electrodes. In this special application of Ohm's law, V=IR still applies, but is re-written as R=V/I,

$$\frac{V}{I} = R = \frac{\rho \cdot l}{A} \text{ or } \qquad \rho = \frac{A \cdot V}{l \cdot I} \qquad \text{or } \qquad \rho = G \cdot \frac{V}{I}$$

where G is called the geometric factor, and is related to the A-M spacing between electrodes. In metric units, G is approximately 12.5 * AM spacing. Note that for normal resistivity measurements, the result is true resistivity, ρ , expressed in ohm-m²/m. It is important to remember that this application of Ohm's law assumes that the formation is homogenous and infinite. Corrections for borehole size, borehole/formation fluid ratio, and bed thickness should be applied to get true formation resistivity. See appendix for references.

The SPR and normal resistivity measurements are made using a 50 ms long +/-16V square wave downhole current generator, which can supply up to 500 mA of survey current. The polarity of the current is alternated between + and – relative to armor to prevent polarization of the electrodes.

In the **IP mode** the **QL40-ELOG/IP** uses the 16 and 64 inch electrodes as receivers, and the current electrode as an IP charging source. The probe measures the injection and relaxation voltages on both measure electrodes as a function of time. This measurement is digitized and presented as 10 channels of time based data per depth interval for each spacing. In addition, a high resolution A/D further breaks each channel into 10 more discrete samples, providing a "full wave" presentation of the injection and relaxation decay. A chargeability curve is then derived from the measurement.

3 QL40 ELOG/IP assembly and set up

The QL40 ELOG/IP sub is delivered with the following accessories:

Isolation bridle



Figure 2-1 QL40 Isolation bridle

Isolated bottom plug



Figure 3-2 isolated Bottom Plug

Calibration box, with a set of cables and clamps
 The calibration box is used to perform a calibration check before a logging operation.
 Refer to chapter 5 for *"Performance and calibration check"*.





Figure 3-3 ELOG Calibrator, cables and clamps

3.1 Note on use of the bridle

The bridle is comprised of 8 meters of insulated cable with a remote electrode located at the top called the "reference potential electrode" or "fish". The standard bridle is provided with a GO4 male or MSI single connection at the top end and QL40 female connection at the sub end. The bridle is electrically and mechanically compatible with the **QL40 ELOG/IP** and **QL40 DLL3** subs.

The function of the bridle is to maintain a separation between the source of current - the injection electrode " A" and the reference potential electrode in order to force the injected current to travel into the formation. The injected current returns to the cable armor beyond the bridle section.

In most configurations, the QL40 ELOG/IP must be operated with an isolation

Acquisition system	Single conductor wireline	4 or 7 conductor wireline
Matrix	Always use the bridle	Always use the bridle
Altlogger	Always use the bridle	Optional - 8m of insulated
		wireline and mud stake on
		surface can be used as a
		substitution of the bridle
BBOX	<u>Always</u> use the bridle	Optional - 8m of insulated
		wireline and mud stake on
		surface can be used as a
		substitution of the bridle

bridle. Refer to the table below to review the different valid configurations:

3.2 QL40 ELOG/IP set up

The QL40 ELOG/IP sub can be used as a standalone tool or in a tool string when combined with other subs.

When used as a standalone tool, follow the assembly procedure below :

1. Screw the QL40 isolated bottom plug at the bottom end of the QL40 ELOG/IP sub



Figure 3-4 Attaching the QL40-Bottom Plug

- 2. Attach the isolation bridle at the top of the QL40 ELOG/IP sub
- 3. Insulate with tape the mechanical joint between the sub and bridle . It is important that all metal parts are covered with tape (at the exception of the injection and measuring electrodes!) to prevent a direct current return to this point rather than to the cable armor .



Figure 3-5 bridle connection and isolation

4. <u>Insulate the bridle/cable head connection above the fish and 7 meters of wireline</u> <u>above the cable head</u>

When the QL40 ELOG/IP is used in combination with other subs, the bottom and top subs <u>must be fully covered with an insulating sleeve</u>. Refer to chapter 3.3 below for complementary information on the QL tools assembly.

3.3 Notes on QL tool assembly

QL stands for **Q**uick Link and describes an innovative connection between logging tools (subs) allowing the assembly of custom tool stacks. QL40 describes a specific family of logging tools. Each sub is equipped with its own telemetry board, power supply element and A/D converter, permitting operation either as a stand-alone tool or stacked in combination with other subs of the QL product family.

The QL40 probe line accommodates two types of sub - Bottom Subs and Mid Subs.

Bottom Sub

A bottom sub is a tool that has at least one sensor that must be located at the bottom of the stack. It can be operated in combination with other QL subs connected to the top but it is not possible to connect another sub below. When used in stand-alone mode the bottom sub only needs the addition of a QL40 tool top adaptor that mates with the cable head.

Mid Sub

A mid sub is a tool that can be integrated anywhere within a stack of tools. When used at the bottom of a tool string a QL40 bottom plug must be used to terminate the string. If the mid sub is used as a stand-alone tool it needs a QL40 bottom plug at the lower end and a QL40 tool top adaptor at the top.

3.4 QL40 stack assembly

A QL40 tool stack may be terminated by either a QL40 bottom sub or a QL40 bottom plug. At the top of the stack a QL40 tool top is required to connect the tool string to the cable head. Several tool tops are already available; special ones can be made on request.

To assemble and disassemble the subs the C-spanner delivered with the tool must be used (Figure 3-1). It is recommended that before each assembly the integrity of the O-rings (AS216 Viton shore 75) is verified. Prime the O-rings with the silicon grease that was supplied with the subs.



Figure 3-6 C-spanner and O-rings of QL connection

The following example of a QL40-ABI, QL40-GAM and QL40-GO4 (Figure 3-2) describes how to replace the QL40-ABI with a QL40-Plug in order to run the QL40-GAM sub stand-alone.



Figure 3-7 Tool stack example

To remove the QL40-ABI bottom sub attach the C-spanner to the thread ring as shown in Figure 3-3, unscrew the threaded ring, (anticlockwise about the tool axis when looking towards the bottom of the tool), and remove the QL40-ABI bottom sub.



Figure 3-8 Unscrewing the thread ring and removing the bottom sub

After checking the O-ring integrity, align and slip the QL40-Plug over the exposed QL connector (Figure 3-4), attach the C-spanner and screw the threaded ring until the plug draws up tight to the ring.



Figure 3-9 Attaching the QL40-Plug

The QL40-GAM can now be run stand-alone (Figure 3-12).



Figure 3-10 QL40-GAM mid sub with tool top and bottom plug

4 Operating Procedure

Note: Parts of the topics discussed in these sections below assume that the user is familiar with the **LoggerSuite** acquisition software. Refer to the corresponding operator manuals for more details. Information about assembly and configuration of tool stacks can be found in the same manuals.

4.1 Quick Start

- 1. Connect the QL40 ELOG/IP to your wireline and start the data acquisition software.
- Select the relevant ELOG/IP tool from the drop down list (*Figure 4-1*) in the software's **Tool** panel (if your tool is not listed check that your tool configuration file is stored in the designated folder on your computer).
- In the **Tool** panel switch on the tool (click **On** button) and verify that the power indicator shows a valid (green) level. The system goes through a short initialization sequence

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 40 m8

 Settings / Commands

Figure 4-1 Tool panel

which sets the default parameters and communication settings held in the tool configuration file. The configuration returned by the tool is also checked during this procedure. (Setup tool communication as explained in chapter **4.4** if error message is displayed.)

- 4. On the **Tool** panel (*Figure 4-1*) click the **Settings / Commands** button to configure your tool for the ELOG and/or IP modes (see chapter **3.4** for details).
- 5. In the **Acquisition** panel (*Figure 4-2*) select the sampling mode (depth or time). Click on **Settings** and specify the corresponding sampling rate. Switch on the sampling (click the **ON** button).
- Press the **Record** button in the **Acquisition** panel (*Figure* 4-3), specify a file name and start the logging.
- 7. During logging observe the controls in the **Telemetry** panel:
 - Status must be valid (green light);
 - Bandwidth usage in green range;
 - Memory buffer should be 0%;
 - Number of **Data** increases and number of **Error**s negligible.
- 8. To end the logging procedure press the **Stop** button in the **Acquisition** panel and turn off the sampling (click **OFF** button).
- 9. In the **Tool** panel power off the tool.



Figure 4-2 Acquisition panel



Figure 4-3 Telemetry panel

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4.2 Tool Communication with ALT Logger

The telemetry provided through the ALTLogger is self-tuning. In case communication status is not valid the user can manually adjust the settings. In the **Telemetry** panel of the dashboard click on **Settings** to display the **Configure Tool Telemetry** dialog box (*Figure 4-3*). A procedure to achieve valid communication is given below:

- Change the **Baudrate** to 41666 kbps.
- Verify that the **Downhole Pulse width** knob is set on 20 (default value). This value is the preferred one and is suitable for a wide range of wirelines. For long wireline (over 2000m), increasing the pulse width could help to stabilize the communication. The reverse is true for short wireline (less than 500m).
- Set the **Uphole** discriminators in the middle of the range for which the communication status stays valid.
- Increase the **Baudrate** to the desired value and observe that the communication status stays valid and the **Bandwidth usage** (in **Telemetry** panel of the dashboard) is below the critical level.
- When **Uphole** discriminators are properly set, store the new configuration as default. The tool should go through the initialisation sequence successfully the next time it is turned on.



Figure 4-4 Tool communication settings

4.3 Tool Communication with MATRIX

The tool telemetry can be configured through the **Telemetry** panel of the Matrix dashboard. By clicking on **Settings**, the operator has access to the **Configure ALT Telemetry** dialog box (*Figure 3-5*) providing various controls to adjust the telemetry settings and monitor its current status.

The **Analysis View** displays the current discriminator levels (vertical yellow lines) and a histogram of the up-hole data signal. The scales of the **Analysis View** can be adjusted using the **Vertical Scale** and **Horizontal Scale** knobs and the **lin**ear / **log**arithmic scale buttons. The status of the configuration should be flagged as Valid (indicated by the LED being green). In any other case (LED red) the telemetry should be adjusted (we assume a pulse signal

is displayed in the analysis view). Click on the **Advanced** button to display additional controls to tune the telemetry.

The Automatic settings option is the preferred mode and should allow the telemetry to be configured for a wide range of wirelines without operator input. For wirelines with a more limited bandwidth, the operator might need to turn off the automatic mode and adjust the telemetry settings manually. In general, the gain setting should not be left in the automatic mode once a valid setting has been determined. Uncheck the box to disable automatic gain. For each wireline configuration, the discriminators (vertical yellow lines) for the **positive** and **negative** pulses must be adjusted in order to obtain a valid communication status (see *Figure 4-5*) for an example of a suitable discriminator position). There is also the option to alter the **baudrate** in order to optimize the logging speed. The input **gain** can be increased (long wirelines) or decreased (short wirelines) in order to set up the discriminator levels correctly.



Figure 4-5 Matrix telemetry settings

Once the telemetry is correctly set, store the new settings as default. The tool should go through the initialization sequence in "Valid" status the next time the power is turned on.

4.4 Configuring Tool Parameters

The **Configure IP Tool Parameters** dialog box can be opened by clicking on the **Settings/Commands** button in the **Tool** panel of the dashboard.

The **QL 40 ELOG/IP** tool can be operated in two modes by turning the knob control on the **Mode** section (Error! Reference source not found.):

- > The "Resis.Only" mode records the 8", 16", 32", 64" normal resistivity, SP and SPR
- The "IP-100-250-500" modes record both the normal resistivity, SP, SPR and the IP responses on the 16" and 64" measure electrodes

For IP measurements, the downhole current generator supplies a +/- 16VDC square wave pulse at up to 500 mA to each electrode. The user can select from three different injection / release times: 100ms, 250ms and 500ms. Each measurement cycle consists of an Injection phase of the selected time with a positive current followed by a release period of the same length during which the first set of 10 measurements is made, a second injection period of the selected time with a negative current followed by a release period during which the second set of 10 measurements is made. E.g. a complete measurement cycle at 250 ms injection / release time will take 1 sec.

Shorter injection / release times can be chosen for high conductivity formations. If the chargeability of the rock is expected to be poor, a longer injection / release time can be chosen.

In order to see the curves in the preview window, **turn ON** the **Sampling** in the Acquisition panel of the dashboard.

When in IP mode the **Full wave** preview window (Error! Reference source not found.) shows the potential difference measured between short spaced (SS - 16", blue curve) and respectively long spaced (LS -64", red curve) electrodes and the reference during the two injection and release times. Controls on the left of the preview window provide options to zoom in/out, fit preview to window, scale the display linear / logarithmic and enable/disable the display of short spaced and long spaced curves.

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Figure 4-6 Mode and Injection / Release time selection

The Advanced Settings dialog box (7) can be displayed by clicking on the Advanced button.

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Figure 4-7 Advanced Settings Dialog Box

If this box is checked, the recorded data file will not include the full wave information. The default setting is to leave the box unchecked to enable the full wave recording.

4.5 Recorded Parameters, Processors and Browsers

4.5.1 Recorded parameters

When measurements are made in IP mode each Release period is subdivided into ten time windows. The measurements made during the same time window in both Release periods will be combined into the final IP response output.

The following data channels are recorded by the **QL40 ELOG/IP** tool (*Table 1*). Depending on the mode – IP or Resistivity – in which the tool is operated, different channels are recorded.

Time	[sec]
Temperature	Tool CPU temperature [°C]
VSP	Voltage Self Potential Sensor [mV]
VSPR	Voltage Single Point Resistance Sensor [V]
I	Injection Current [mA]
V8	Potential difference at 8" electrode [V]
V16	Potential difference at 16" electrode [V]
V32	Potential difference at 32" electrode [V]
V64	Potential difference at 64" electrode [V]

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Vinj16	Potential difference at 16" during injection
Vinj64	Potential difference at 64" during injection
NbWinlin	Number of windows used for measurement during Release
Tlin.n <i>(n=1 to 10)</i>	Time for measurement in each window [ms]
WLin16.n (<i>n=1 to 10</i>)	Average reading from same time windows during the two 16"
	Release periods.
WLin64.n (<i>n=1 to 10</i>)	Average reading from same time windows during the two 64"
	Release periods.
Tinj	Injection time [sec]
TRel	Release time [sec]
SPR	Single Point Resistance [Ohm]
N8	8" normal resistivity [Ohm-m]
N16	16" normal resistivity [Ohm-m]
N32	32" normal resistivity [Ohm-m]
N64	64" normal resistivity [Ohm-m]
IPlin16.n (<i>n=1 to 10</i>)	Ratio of potential differences (Release over Injection) from
	each window at 16" electrode [mV/V]
IPlin64.n (<i>n=1 to 10</i>)	Ratio of potential differences (Release over Injection) from
	each window at 64" electrode [mV/V]
IPFW16	Ratio of potential differences (Release over Injection) at 16"
	electrode over entire Release time [mV/V]
IPFW64	Ratio of potential differences (Release over Injection)at 64"
	electrode over entire Release time [mV/V]
Ма	Apparent Chargeability [ms]

Table 1 Recorded data channels

4.5.2 MChNum Browser

Figure 4-8 shows a typical example of the numerical values displayed in the MChNum browser

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Data		
VSP	-14.160	5 mV
SPR	202.7	l Ohm
N8	209.03	Ohm.m
N16	212.5	Ohm.m
N32	206.39	Ohm.m
N64	201.78	Ohm.m
Ma	0.3	ms
268.51 2	203 3	ASTEROPE

Figure 4-8 MCHNum Browser Window

VSP	Spontaneous Potential [mV]
SPR	Single Point Resistance [Ohm]
N8	8" normal resistivity [Ohm-m]

N16	16" normal resistivity [Ohm-m]
N32	32" normal resistivity [Ohm-m]
N64	64" normal resistivity [Ohm-m]
Ma	Apparent Chargeability [ms]

The other parameters listed in **Table 1** can be displayed in real time if required. Right click on MChNum browser and click on "Display options" from the menu.

Select in the "Display options properties" dialog box and add the additional channels to display.

It is possible to change the format of decimal digits displayed for a channel. Select the channel and click on "Settings" to configure the number of digits after the period.

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V16	Tool.IP.ELOG		1 N32	MChProc	
V64	Tool.IP.ELOG	<	N64	MChProc	
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Figure 4-9 Display options properties

4.5.3 IpWave Browser

The IpWave Browser window consists of 3 panes (see A, B and C in Figure 4-9)



Figure 4-10 IpWave Browser window with three different wave displays

Pane **A** displays the potential difference measured at the 16" (blue curve) and 64" electrodes (red curve) during the two injection and release periods. In addition the Self Potential values measured at 16" and 64" electrodes are shown as base lines.

Pane **B** shows a normalized view of the raw potential measurements and the two SP baselines, which have been subtracted before normalization. The "edged" line in the browser window displays the normalized response integrated over the 10 time windows. Pane **C** provides a combined view of the raw measurements during the two Release times and the average from each time window.

Controls in the toolbar of the window provide options to zoom, scale and enable / disable the curves.

4.5.3.1 Calculation of IP Chargeability Response

The chargeability, labeled Ma, is calculated by integrating the 10 average voltages in the release cycle (units are V-ms) and then dividing by the injection voltage. For a 250 ms inj/rel time, this means that the average release voltage, beginning with the first 25 ms window after injection is removed, is added to the next average release voltage from 25-50 ms, and so on, for those 10 cycles. The output Ma is presented for the SS (16") spacing. The IPWave browser shows the same information for the LS (64") channel.

Calculation of Ma, Chargeability

The chargeability for the SS channel is calculated using the following relationship:

 $\label{eq:ch12} Formula=0.001^{(ch12)^{(ch49)+(ch50)+(ch51)+(ch52)+(ch53)+(ch54)+(ch55)+(ch56)+(ch57)+(ch58)),}$

where ch12 is the release gate time (e.g. 25 ms for a 250 ms inj/rel setting,

and ch49..ch58 are the normalized values for each gate, which is the gate average voltage, divided by the injection voltage.



Figure 4-11 Release Decay Waveform - Chargeability (Ma) calculation

4.5.4 MChCurve Browser

By default the MchCurve Browser window displays the curves shown in Figure 4-11 – SP, SPR, normal resistivity and the IP responses from 16'' and 64'' electrodes.



Figure 4-12 MchCurve Browser window





Figure 4-13 WellCAD browser

5 Performance Check & Calibration

Calibrations are performed at the factory. Each QL40-ELOG/IP is delivered with a calibrated "sub" file that must be used for that specific tool. It is also possible to calibrate the tool before a field operation using the suitable **ELOG Calibrator** – see below:





Figure 5-1 ELOG Calibrator

5.1 Calibration procedure

A calibration box is supplied with the QL40 ELOG/IP to verify the tool performance. Refer to the procedure described below:

- 1. Assemble the tool sub(s) and connect to the wireline
- 2. Connect the cables and clamps between the ELOG Calibrator and QL40 ELOG/IP tool as per the diagram shown on the box:



Figure 5-2 ELOG Calibrator configuration diagram

- In the Tool Panel: Select the proper tool/stack; Turn tool power On
- 4. In the Acquisition Panel select Time and turn it On.
- 5. Verify the telemetry status in the **Telemetry Panel**. The LED must be green and status valid
- 6. Right click on MChNum browser
- 7. From the menu, uncheck "Use calibration" and click on "Calibration Settings"
- 8. For each resistivity channel (SPR, N8, N16, N32 and N64), follow the steps below:
 - From the "Calibration Settings" dialog box select the calibration page of the resistivity channel to calibrate

N16 N16 N16 N64 N64 N8 N32 Sample Sample Sample Channel Calibration Factors VSP(mV) VSP(mV) = 0.567786 x VSP(cps) + 169.257 Compute Store	VSP	VSP	
Calibration date:	- N16 - N64 - N8 - N32	First Point Reference 1 mV Value -296.338 cps Sample Channel Calibration Factors VSP(mV) = 0.567786 Compute Calibration date:	Second Point Reference Value -298.09998 Sample x VSP(cps) + 169.257

Figure 5-3 Example of calibration page

- Edit the first reference value (say 100 ohm.m)
- Connect the measuring electrodes on the ELOG Calibrator for this first reference resistivity value (100 ohm.m)
- Click on SAMPLE to get the corresponding value in cps
- Edit the second reference value (say 10,000 ohm.m)
- Connect the measuring electrodes on the ELOG Calibrator for this first reference resistivity value (10,000 ohm.m)
- > Click on **SAMPLE** to get the corresponding value in cps
- Click on COMPUTE and then on STORE to save the calibration factors of the measured channel
- The "IP" response can also be checked by connecting the injection (SPR), 16" and 64" electrodes for the IP measurement configuration. A chargeability of 10ms should be read in the MChNum browser.

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6 Maintenance

Warning: Removing the electronic chassis from pressure housing without prior consultation with ALT/MSI will void the tool warranty.

The QL40 series tools require periodic maintenance. Make sure the threads on the brass nut on the sub bottom are free of sand, mud or other dirt. A thin layer of anti-seize is recommended. When disassembling the sub string, dry the joint as it is separated to prevent fluid from entering the sub top and getting into the electrical connector inside. After replacing top and bottom protectors it is good to wash the probe off after each use. *Never take the probe apart. This probe is very difficult to disassemble and requires special steps to be taken in order to gain access to the inside of the probe without damaging the electronics. If you have read this after attempting to disassemble the probe chances are the probe has experienced damage and will need to be sent to the factory to be repaired.* Inspect o-rings occasionally and keep the threads on both ends of the probe clean, to minimize problems in the future.

6.1 Upgrading firmware

In accordance with the ALT policy of continuous development the tool has been designed to allow firmware upgrades.

Firmware upgrade procedure is as follows:

- 1. Confirm that the communication is valid.
- 2. Upgrade firmware

6.1.1 Checking the communication

- 1. Connect the tool to your acquisition system.
- 2. Start ALTLog/Matrix software.
- 3. In the **Tool** panel select the appropriate tool and turn on the power.
- 4. In the **Communication** panel, select **Settings**. Check **baud rate** is set to **41666** and **communication status** is **valid** (Figure 6-1 or Figure 6-2).

Configur Tool Telemetry		×
Uphole Link	Downhole Link	Done
Baudrate: 41667		Reset to default
Discriminators (%)	Pulse width (%)	Store as default
4 ⁵ 6 3 1 7	4 5 6	
2.	2.	
1	1	
52	25	Status
		🔘 Valid
		- 1997 - 1997 - 1997 - 1997 - 1997 - 1997 - 1997 - 1997 - 1997 - 1997 - 1997 - 1997 - 1997 - 1997 - 1997 - 1997

Figure 6-1 Tool communication settings - ALTLog



Figure 6-2 Tool communication settings - Matrix

Warning: Telemetry must be tuned properly. Bad communication may abort the upgrade of the firmware!

6.1.2 Upgrading the firmware

1. Right Click on the tool preview in the ToolStack Manager view and select Upgrade Firmware from the context menu.



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Figure 6-3 Warning Message during firmware upload

- 3. Select and open the appropriate **.hex** file provided. The upgrade will start.
- 4. During the upgrade procedure, the following message is displayed:



Figure 6-4 Firmware upgrade progress window

5. Once the upgrade has been successfully completed (Figure 6-5), click on **OK** to turn off the tool.



Figure 6-5 Successful upgrade

6. Power on the tool to start the upgraded firmware.

Note that the following error message (Figure 6-6) will appear at the end of the procedure when the tool firmware upgrade has failed or has been aborted. Verify the tool communication settings in this case.



Figure 6-6 Error message

7 Troubleshooting

The **QL40ELOG/IP** probes require a proper current return to armor, and a proper isolation for approximately 7 meters above the probe for correct operation. The downhole tool current (I) must be a reasonable value to insure correct measurements are being made. This value will fluctuate from 10 mA in very high resistivity rock, to as much as 500 mA in very conductive rock. If such values are not obtained during logging, there may be a problem with the cable armor connections at the winch or logger.

NEVER DIS-ASSEMBLE THE PROBE WITHOUT CONSULTING THE FACTORY FIRST

Disassembly Instructions

The **QL40-ELOG/IP** Probe should <u>never be disassembled</u> unless service is necessary. This is a very difficult probe to disassemble, and is highly recommended that any service be performed by Mount Sopris, ALT or a qualified technician.

Observation	To Do	
Tool not listed in Tool panel	- Do you have a configuration file?	
drop down list.	 Has the configuration file been installed with the LoggerSettings application (refer to LoggerSettings and LoggerSuite manuals for more information) 	
Tool configuration error message when powering on the tool.	- Check all connections.	
	- Adjust the telemetry settings for your wireline configuration (see chapter 3.2 or 3.3) and store the new settings as default. Apply the appropriate tool settings for your logging run (see chapter 3.4).	
Tool panel - No current.	 Verify that the wireline armour is connected to the logging system. Test your interface cable between winch and data acquisition system. 	
	- Verify cable head integrity.	
	- Verify voltage output at the cable head (it should be 120V).	
Tool panel - Too much current (red area).	! Immediately switch off the tool !	
	-Possible shortcut (voltage low, current high): Check for water ingress and cable head integrity - wireline continuity.	
	- Verify the interface cable between winch slip ring and data acquisition system is not loose at the connectors. Check for possible source of the short circuit.	
	- If the above shows no issues, use test cable provided by ALT to verify tool functionality.	
	- If the problem still occurs, please contact service centre.	
Telemetry panel - status shows red.	- Verify the telemetry settings for your wireline configuration (see chapter 3.2 or 3.3).	

	 If problem cannot be resolved contact support@alt.lu or tech.support@mountsopris.com
Telemetry panel - memory buffer shows 100%.	- Indicates that the systems internal memory buffer is full. PC can't receive incoming data streams fast enough. Ensure your PC has enough resources available.
Telemetry panel – bandwidth usage shows 100%.	- Set the baudrate to highest value allowed by your wireline configuration.
(Overrun error message.)	- Reduce logging speed or increase vertical sample step.
Telemetry panel - large number of errors.	- Verify the telemetry settings for your wireline configuration (see chapter 3.2 or 3.3).
	- Check bandwidth usage and telemetry error status.

8 Appendix

8.1 Parts list

Item No.	Qty	Part No.	Description
1	1	1673840	Silicone grease Molykote111
2	2	55459	DIN 1810B 40-42 Hook wrench w.pin
3	6	AS215-V-75°	Oring Viton shore 75° - 26.57 x 3.53
4	1	L0034-086	Grease Lubriplate

8.2 Bridle wiring configurations

8.2.1 QL40-IS4 bridle configuration for 4 conductor wireline



Figure 8-1 Bridle bottom connection to tool



Figure 8-2 Bridle top connection to cable head



8.2.2 QL40-IS1 (MSI) and QL40-IS2 (GO1) bridle configurations for single conductor wireline





Figure 8-3 QL40-IS1 and IS2 bridle bottom connection to tool Figure 8-4 QL40-IS1 bridle top connection to cable head



Figure 8-5 QL40-IS2 bridle top connection to cable head

