HCS-01 Three-Axis Helmholtz Coil Magnetic Field Source

Precision Three-Axis Magnetic Field Source

The HCS-01 three-axis Helmholtz coil magnetic field source family generates uniform, accurate and precise magnetic fields in a volume about the center of the coil system. The size of the control volume depends on the size of the coils. MEDA offers three standard coil sizes: 1, 2, 3 and 4 meter size lengths.

The HCS-01 can be configured as an open loop or closed loop system. In the closed loop system a three-axis control magnetometer, in conjunction with bipolar power supplies, form a closed loop that automatically nulls the field in the control volume. Control currents are passed through precision coils wound about each sensor axis to generate accurate and stable uniform fields within the control volume.

In the open loop system, fixed currents are passed through the coils to produce a coarse null in the control volume. The null is trimmed to its final value under computer control. Precision control currents are added to the fixed currents to generate accurate and stable uniform fields within the control volume.

Both configurations include a computer interface and program that manages the trimming of the control volume null and the application of magnetic fields.

HCS-01 applications include magnetic sensor calibration, active shielding, permanent and induced magnetic properties measurements and research into the biological effects of magnetic fields.

The HCS-01 2-meter closed loop system specification on the next page is typical of the performance that can be expected.

Features

- Three Square Concentric Orthogonal Helmholtz Coils
- Open or Closed Loop Configuration
- 1 nT Control Volume Null
- ±100,000 nT Control Field Range
- 1.5 nT Control Field Resolution
- 0.05% Basic Accuracy

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### SPECIFICATIONS

#### Generated Field
- **Maximum Range**: ±270,000 nT
- **Control Range**: ±100,000 nT
- **Resolution**: 1.5 nT
- **Accuracy @ 23°C**: ±0.05% of setting
- **Field Uniformity**: Coil produced gradient is <0.1% of applied field within a 13.9 inch diameter sphere about coil center

#### Field Stability
- **Temperature Coefficient**: ±(1.25ppm of FS + 50ppm of setting)/°C
- **Long Term Drift at constant temperature**: ±(3ppm of FS + 15ppm of setting)/month ±200ppm of setting/year

#### Null Field
- **Resolution**: 1.0 nT
- **Stability**: ±10 nT for 24 hours @ constant temperature ±25 nT/month @ constant temperature

#### Magnetic Axis Orthogonality
- **Open Loop**: ±1.0 degree maximum
- **Closed Loop**: ±0.1 degree maximum

#### Coil Properties
- **X Coil Outside Dimensions**: 77.5” square
- **Y Coil Outside Dimensions**: 75.0” square
- **Z Coil Outside Dimensions**: 80.0” square
- **Overall Coil Size**: 80” x 80” x 82”
- **Weight**: Approximately 350 lbs.

#### Control Unit
- **Size**: 22.06” W x 34.12”H x 26.4”D
- **Weight**: Approximately 350 lbs.

#### Power Requirements
- **Voltage**: 115 VAC @ 60 Hz
- **Current**: 30 Amperes maximum

#### Temperature
- **Operating**: 0°C to 50°C
- **Storage**: -62°C to +71°C