

North Sea Electronics

Features

- Very compact design
- Up to 600Vdc input voltage
- Up to 2A input current
- Up to 200kbps data rates
- 2 x USB / RS485 data interface
- Easy integration into 3rd party systems
- High noise redundancy
- Adaptive modulation
- High shock and vibration resistance
- AC or DC input power



Product Description

The NSE Wireline Telemetry System is used for communication via wireline or powerline. The system consists of two main components: a topside unit and one or more downhole modems.

The NSE Wireline Telemetry System operates as a transparent link between the topside user interface/applications and the electronics located in the downhole tool. Serial commands sent from a computer to the topside modem are modulated and superimposed on the power cable. This signal is demodulated and converted back to conventional serial commands (TTL or CANBus) in the downhole modem.

The TS Telemetry Portable Unit is designed to be used stand-alone or integrated into a user system. The compact size of the unit makes mounting and placement of the unit very flexible. Two options for wireline and DC input connections are provided.

NSE Wireline Telemetry Systems are deployed worldwide and cover all applications from power tools, such as tractor and strokers, to low power sensors and data acquisition tools. The reliability of the link allows data transfer in very noisy conditions over difficult cables and the system will optimize data rates for the given setup.

The system requires very little user interaction. In most cases, the modems will autotune to the correct gain and frequency settings for a cable. During operation, the system is continuously adapting to the conditions on the line to optimize the signal to noise ratio.

The system is addressable so several downhole modems can communicate with one topside modem and has a broad input voltage range.

1 Table of NSE Topside Modems

Product Number / Name	Size	Max. Input DC Voltage	Max. Wireline Current	Noise immunity	USB / RS485 ports
NSE-5004-01 NSE Topside Telemetry 19inch Rack	2U x 330mm (excl. conn.)	1200V	8A	High	2/1
NSE-5004-20 NSE Topside Telemetry – Portable Unit	314 x 113 x 71.5mm	600V	2A	Medium	3/0
NSE-5004-21 NSE Topside Telemetry – Eurocard Board	100x 160mm Eurocard	600V	2A	Medium	3/1

2 Product Specification

2.1 Electrical Specifications

Parameter	Conditions / Comments	Min	Тур	Max	Unit
SUPPLY VOLTAGE					
Input Voltage DC supply	Can be powered from either AC or DC.	18	24	36	Vdc
Input Voltage AC supply	Can be powered from either AC or DC.	110		230	Vac
Input Power				30	w
WIRELINE / POWER INTERFACE					
Input High Voltage	Continuous DC Voltage			600	Vdc
Current	Continuous DC Voltage			2	Adc
COMMUNICATION INTERFACES					
USB Port 1	Virtual Serial Port – Data 1	9.600		375.000	bps
USB Port 2	Virtual Serial Port – Data 2	9.600		375.000	bps
USB Port 3	Virtual Serial Port – Status	9.600		375.000	bps
RS-422/485	Not Mounted	-		-	
		-		-	
INTEGRATED SENSORS					
Temperature sensor	Measurement range	-20		85	degC
ENVIRONMENTAL					
Operating temp. range	Min and Max temperature of the ambient atmosphere	-10		50	degC

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TRANSMISSION PARAMETERS Uplink frequency range	Centre frequency	20	45	kHz
Uplink data rate	Payload data available to user		200	kbit/sec
Downlink freq. range	Centre frequency	24	30	kHz
Downlink data rate	Payload data available to user		16	kbit/sec
Adaptive Filter Tuning	Continuous - to optimize SNR	YES		
Adaptive Modulation	Uplink – to optimize data rates	YES		
Automatic gain control	Uplink and downlink	YES		
Data redundancy check	8 bit	YES		
Automatic retransmit	Modems will retransmit if CRC fails	YES		
CONNECTORS AC Inlet Supply Power	AC supply to power the modem	IEC Inlet with swit FN-9266	ch	
DC Inlet Supply Power	DC supply to power the modem	4mm Banana		
High Voltage DC OUT	HV DC Output to wireline / cable	Lemo / Phoeni>	¢	
High Voltage DC IN	HV DC Input from external PSU	Lemo / Phoenix	(
3xUSB		USB C		
RS-422		Not Mounted		
PHYSICAL SIZE				
Length	Including flanges	314,3		mm
Width		112,9		mm
Height		24		mm

2.2 Conformal Coating

This product is delivered with no conformal coating.

2.3 Environmental requirements

NSE boards must be installed in dry air at atmospheric pressure (1atm). Avoid humid atmosphere or under / overpressure. Refer to general NSE installation guidelines for more information.

2.4 Cable types supported

The NSE Telemetry system is developed to work on wireline cables, but has proven to provide reliable links on a variety of cable and setups such as:

- Wireline, Monoconductor cables
- Wireline, Hepta cables
- Coiled tubing with electrical lines
- Coiled tubing with hybrid (electro and fiber) cables
- TEC Downhole Cables
- Various Subsea cables
- Twisted pair

The versatility and adaptive algorithms of the telemetry mean that it will work on a very broad range of cable. Contact NSE if you have questions about specific cable types or setup.

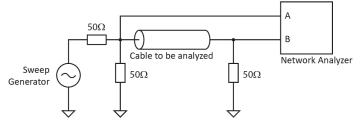
2.5 Telemetry range

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The maximum supported cable length of the modem depends on several factors:

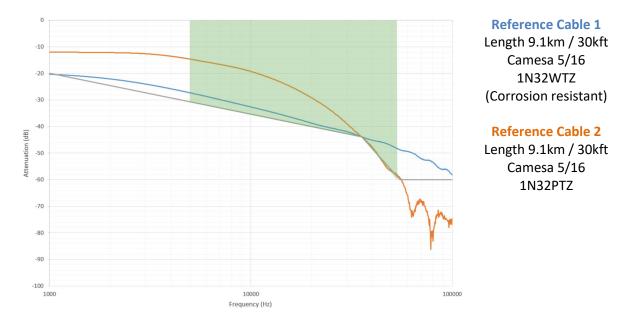
- Cable type and characteristics
- Connections from the topside modem to the cable head/winch
- Connections and grounding in the tool itself
- Ground loops and ground induced noise
- Sources of noise downhole such as motor controller, power converters, and sensors
- Sources of noise topside such as power supplies, electrical winches, hydraulic power packs, and generators

To provide a reference for the telemetry we use 2 cable characteristics as the maximum limit for the range of the standard modem setup. Note that in most cases, the telemetry will operate fine on even longer cables than these references, but they serve as a guideline. Long-range modems will support cables setups with higher attenuation.



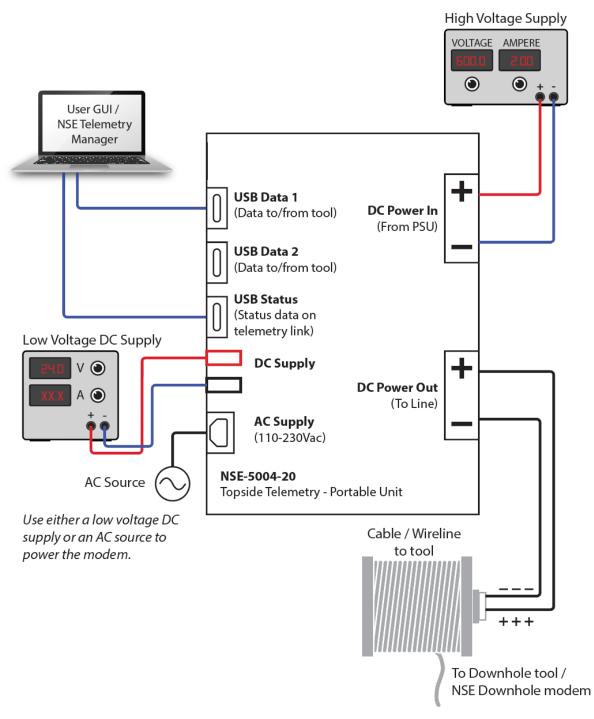
Measurement circuit for cable references

The graph below shows the attenuation plot of the reference cables with the overlay of a green area ranging between 5 to 55kHz. In this area, the attenuation of the cable should not be below the limit indicated. As can be seen, both the reference cables are within the green area for the frequency range of interest.

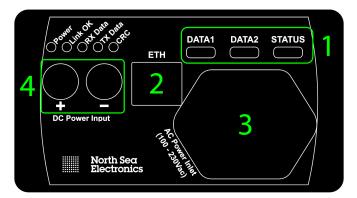


3 Connections

3.1 Overview



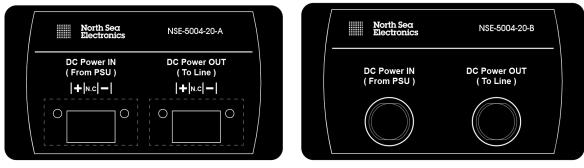
3.2 Front Panel Connectors



Connector(s)	Function	Type of connector
1	Data and status	3 x USB C
2	Ethernet	RJ45 – Note - this port is not in use.
3 AC Supply Inlet		IEC with switch
4	DC Supply Inlet	4mm Safety Banana

3.3 Rear Panel - DC Power IN and DC Power OUT connector

The Portable Unit can be supplied with two options on the DC Power IN and DC Power OUT connectors.



Phoenix Option

Lemo Option

3.3.1 DC Power IN

	Phoenix terminal blocks Option (A)	Lemo Option (B)
Modem connector:	DFK-MSTB 2,5/ 3-G-5,08 - 0707251	EGG.2B.303.CLL
Suggested mating connector:	MSTBP 2,5/ 3-ST-5,08 - 1769023	FGG.2B.303.CLAD72Z

Pin	Signal Description name		Connector Pinout – LEMO option (Face View)	Connector Pinout – Phoenix option (Face View)
1	DC + IN	High Voltage DC		
		Positive INPUT		
2	N.C	Not Connected	$\left(\begin{array}{c} \\ \end{array} \right)$	
3	DC - IN	High Voltage DC		
		Ground INPUT		1 2 3

3.3.2 DC Power OUT

	Lemo Option (A)	Phoenix Option (B)
Modem connector:	EGG.2B.303.CLL	DFK-MSTB 2,5/ 3-G-5,08 - 0707251
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3.4 LED Indicators

The board has 4 LED indicators to indicate activity.

Name	Colour	Description
Power	Green	Illuminates when power is applied to the modem
Link OK	Green	Illuminated when topside and downhole modem has power and contact with each other
RX Data	Green	Blinks when receiving data
TX Data	Green	Blinks when transmitting data
CRC	Red	Blinks when detecting a CRC Fault

4 Features

The NSE Telemetry is continuously being updated and updates are provided for free to our customers. Below is a list of the main (but not all) features of the telemetry system. Consult NSE for further questions or inquiries about the features and advantages of the NSE Telemetry system.

Feature	Description
Transparent data	The data being sent and received on the data port are the same bytes as you
port	receive and send on the topside modem. No framing or encryption is necessary.
	The purpose of the modem is to be a transparent datalink from your topside user
	interface to the tool.
	Note that a topside and a downhole modem can have different baud rates and
	that the latency on the data can have some variation as the modem will buffer
	data and send it over the line in packages.
High Power	The modem has a high power / high voltage wireline filter design to separate the
Wireline Filter	communication signal from the DC power being fed to the modem.
	The high power filter will handle the currents (within specifications) and voltages
	normally being seen on a wireline and will help to improve the signal to noise
	ratio of the system.
Automatic Link	The first time the modems are powered up on a new cable, the topside and
Tuning	downhole modems will analyze the cable and work out the best settings for
	modulation, gains, and frequencies. No user interaction is required here, and this
	feature ensures optimum data rates and signal quality for a given cable.
	The feature can be disabled if the user wants to set the parameters themselves.
Adaptive filter	Once the link has been established the modems will continuously work to adapt
tuning	to the cable by updating the digital filter coefficients. The updates are being done
	several times per second and ensure that the link will maintain the highest
	possible signal to noise ratio even when conditions such as spooling out the
	cable, temperature and load, changes.

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Adaptive	The adaptive modulation will increase the modulation rate in steps (hence the			
modulation	available data rates) when the signal to noise ratio is better than defined			
	thresholds. In this way, the user will always have the best possible data rate for			
	the actual condition (cable and noise) at the same time as the modem will ensure			
	to lower the data rates if noise levels increase.			
	It is possible to set the modems to a "safe" mode where the system will optimize			
	frequency and modulation for noisy conditions rather than "performance" mode			
	where the modem will optimize for the highest possible data rates.			
CRC and	All data being sent over the wireline are being CRC (Cyclic Redundancy Check)			
automatic	checked when received and if the modems detect a failed CRC it will request that			
retransmissions	the data are being retransmitted (up to 4 times).			
	All CRC events, retransmissions, and package loss (if resending a package 4 times			
	fail, the package is dropped) are being tracked and the count of these events can			
	be read out over the status port.			
Addressable	The downhole modems are addressable and several downhole modems can be			
	connected in parallel. On a topside modem, one chooses which modem to talk to			
	by selecting a destination address.			
Data buffering	When data is being fed to the modems on the serial port, the data are being			
	buffered until they are transmitted over the wireline. Both the topside modems			
	and the downhole modems have defined buffer space to temporarily store bytes			
	that are not immediately sent.			
	The status of the serial buffers can be monitored through the status port to			
	optimize the data flow into the modems and to prevent overflowing the serial			
	buffers. A flow control mechanism can also be enabled if required.			

4.1 Bootloader

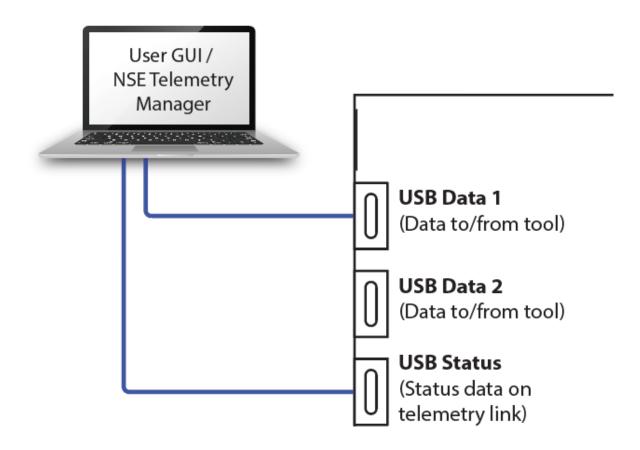
The controller is provided with a bootloader that allows for easy updates of the firmware. NSE is constantly making improvements and adding features to its firmware, and the bootloader allows the customer to upgrade a controller if desired.

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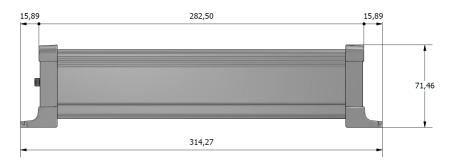
5 Graphical User Interface

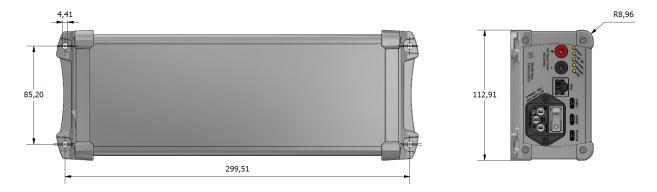
The "NSE Telemetry Manager" software (graphical user interface) is free of charge software that can be used to set up and monitor the telemetry system. The software uses the **status port** (USB Status) to communicate with the modem.

The "NSE Telemetry Manager" will display all relevant data from the telemetry and can trend- and download all parameters. Data from a test can be uploaded directly to NSE servers to ease support and faultfinding.



6 Mechanical Dimensions





7 Datasheet Revision History

REV	DATE	DESCRIPTION	PREP	APPR
A	28.09.2020	Initial release	RFY	GLK
В	29.04.2022	Updated product photo	RFY	GLK
С	10.01.2025	Removed references to Ethernet. Updated DC input	RFY	GLK

8 Product code

		Product code:	NSE-5004	-20	-X
Category	NSE- 5004	= NSE Telemetry			
Model	-20	= Topside Telemetry – Portable Unit			
Version	-A -B	= Phoenix Terminal Block (DC Power Connections) = Lemo connectors (DC Power Connections)			

8.1 Where to buy

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