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USER MANUAL



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GENERAL INFORMATION ON THIS USER MANUAL

This manual belongs to the system BATmode S and BATmode S+. If instructions belong to both versions, the version naming is omitted hereinafter. Please read these instructions completely and carefully before taking the device into operation, it contains important instructions on commissioning, handling and operation. The safety instructions contained within must be observed!

SYMBOLS

Important notes for the users and operators of the BATmode-System are mark with the following signs:



Attention!

Instructions marked with this sign have to be complied. Neglecting any of these instructions may harm persons or cause damage to system parts.



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- Only use power supplies authorized or supplied by bat bioacoustictechnology.
- Avoid excessive mechanic strain on the BATmode-System, especially on plugs and connectors if cables are connected to the BATmode or the antenna and microphone disc. Strong vibrations, shaking or dropping may damage system parts.
- Ensure a safe and stable mounting of the BATmode and the corresponding discs. Dropping can harm persons, property or the BATmode-system.
- Ensure that nobody can stumble on installed and connected wires. Stumbling can harm persons and damage system parts.
- Only use accessories supplied or authorized by bat bioacoustictechnology. The use of unauthorized accessories may damage the device.
- Please contact our support if the BATmode-System shows any damage or does not work properly. Do not open system parts and try to repair damage by yourself or through unauthorized personnel. This will cause the loss of warranty.



APPLICATION NOTES

- The microphone is sensitive to mechanical strain. Do not touch the microphone with fingers or objects and never use stickers or any adhesives on its surface.
- Avoid the pollution of the microphone by dust or dirt particles. This can clog the protective grid and/or damage the microphone.
- Try not to expose the running BATmode-System to electromagnetic fields. Since the microphone is sensitive to those fields, interferences with the audio signal are possible.
- Ensure a sufficient air circulation around the BATmode. Overheating can cause data loss and/or damage to the BATmode.
- Avoid interrupting power supply while the system is running. This can cause system failure and/or data loss.
- Do not twist or bend wires, since this can damage them.
- Do not use tools (nipper, wrench ...) for fixation of cable connections since this can damage the connectors and/or the wires.
- The splash-proof discs protect electronic components against rain. Nevertheless, the microphone has to be exposed to detect incoming sound waves. Indeed, the protective grid is a relatively good protection against rain, but long lasting exposure to high humidity lead to corrosion and loss of sensitivity. Consequently, avoid exposing the discs to high humidity.
- Do not expose the BATmode to any kind of humidity. Penetration of moisture can cause damage due to corrosion and short-circuiting.
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1 SCOPE OF DELIVERY

BATmode S-System:

- BATmode S main detector unit
- Cellular UMTS antenna with magnetic base
- Power supply (power connector cable + power supply unit)
- Transportation case
- VESA mounting kit
- Manual
- UltraSoundGate 116Hnbm of Avisoft Bioacoustics (optionally)
- Microphone disc (optionally)
- 0,3m USB cable (optionally)
- 2m microphone cable (XLR: Y-cable 5 pin <-> 5 pin + 4 pin) (optionally)
 or
 - 2m microphone cable (XLR: 5 pin <-> 5 pin) (optionally)
- 2m heating cable (Chinch <-> XLR: 2 pin <-> 3 pin) (optionally)
- Microphone Calibration Certificate (optionally)

BATmode S+-System:

- BATmode S+ main detector unit
- Antenna disc
- Power supply (power connector cable + power supply unit)
- 2x 2m antenna cable (RP-SMA <-> RP-SMA)
- 2m cable for temperature sensor (mini XLR: 3 pin <-> 3 pin)
- Transportation case
- VESA mounting kit
- Manual
- UltraSoundGate 116Hnbm of Avisoft Bioacoustics (optionally)
- Microphone disc (optionally)
- 0,3m USB cable (optionally)
- 2m microphone cable (XLR: Y-cable 5 pin <-> 5 pin + 4 pin) (optionally) or

2m microphone cable (XLR: 5 pin <-> 5 pin) (optionally)

- 2m heating cable (Chinch <-> XLR: 2 pin <-> 3 pin) (optionally)
- Microphone Calibration Certificate (optionally)



2 DEVICE DESCRIPTION

2.1 BATmode S/S+ Main Detector Unit



Figure 1: BATmode Frontpanel



Figure 2: BATmode Backpanel



2.1.1 On-/Off-Switch

The On-/Off-Switch allows to switch the system on or off. Table 1 lists all possible system states in dependency of the duration the switch is pressed.

If the system is in the following state	and the On-/Off-switch is pressed for	the system changes to the following state	
State		Tonowing State	
Off	less than four seconds	On	
On	less than four seconds	Shutdown	
On	more than six seconds	Off	
Standby	less than four seconds	On	
Standby	more than six seconds	Off	

In case of power failure, the BATmode-System will restart automatically when power returns.

2.1.2 Power LED

The yellow Power LED shows the state of the BATmode. Table 2 depicts all possible states of the Power LED.

Table 2: States of the Power LED

LED state	Description
Off	Device off
Blinking	Standby
Continuously on	Device on

2.1.3 Status LED

The blue Status LED shows the monitoring state. Table 3 depicts all possible states of the Status LED.

Table 3: States of the Status LED

LED state	Description
Off	BATcontrol software not started
Continuously on	BATcontrol software started,
	monitoring off
Blinking	BATcontrol software started,
	monitoring on



2.1.4 Mobil Service LED

The green Mobile Service LED shows the state of the mobile connection. Table 4 depicts all possible states of the Mobile Service LED. Mobile Service LED is not available in BATmode versions prior version 2.1.0.

LED state	Description	
Double blinking	No SIM inserted or no mobile	
	service connection	
Single blinking	Registered to mobile network	
Continuously on	Mobile connection connected	

Table 4: States of the Mobile Service LED

2.1.5 WIFI-Hotspot LED

The green WIFI-Hotspot LED shows the state of the WIFI-Hotspot. Table 5 depicts all possible states of the WIFI-Hotspot LED. WIFI-Hotspot LED is not available in BATmode versions prior version 2.1.0.

Table 5: States of the WIFI-Hotspot LED

LED state	Description	
Off	WIFI-Hotspot off	
Continuously on	WIFI-Hotspot on	

2.1.6 SIM-Card Slot

To establish a cellular data connection and to send and receive SMS a SIM card (Mini-SIM, also often called Classic-SIM or Standard-SIM) with an adequate SMS and data plan is required. The SIM card has to be inserted into the SIM card slot as depicted on the device and in figure 1.



Basically, bat bioacoustictechnology recommends the use of PIN free SIM cards, because only an inactivated PIN allows to unlock the SIM card after a reboot of the system automatically.



2.1.7 Temperature Sensor Connector (exclusively BATmode S+)

To acquire temperature data a temperature sensor can be connected to the BATmode S+ - System via a mini-XLR connector (see Figure 1). The BATmode S+ is specified for the temperature sensor integrated in the system's antenna disc. The corresponding pin connection is presented in Table 6.

Pin-Number	Description
1	Ground
2	Sensor output
3	Power supply

Table 6: Pin connection of the temperature sensor connector



Do not use unauthorized temperature sensors und connection wires, since this can cause system failure, damage and the loss of data.

2.1.8 Precipitation Sensor Connector (exclusively BATmode S+)

To acquire precipitation data a precipitation sensor can be connected to the BATmode S+ - System via a mini-XLR connector (see Figure 1). The BATmode S+ is specified for the "Precipitation sensor" manufactured by Adolf Thies GmbH & Co. KG. It can be purchased including a suiting connection cable from bat bioacoustictechnology. The corresponding pin connection is presented in Table 7.

Pin-NumberDescription1Ground2Sensor output -3Not connected4Sensor output +

Table 7: Pin connection of the precipitation sensor connector



Do not use unauthorized precipitation sensors und connection wires, since this can cause system failure, damage and the loss of data.



2.1.9 Heating Output Connector

The BATmode can supply a microphone heating integrated in the microphone disc of bat bioacoustictechnology. The corresponding pin connection is presented in Table 8.

PIN	Description
Shell	Ground
Inner contact	12 - 19V DC

Table 8: Pin connection of the heating output connector



Do not use the heating output to supply microphone heating units of other manufactures than bat bioacoustictechnology. The use of unauthorized microphone discs und connection wires can cause system failure, damage and the loss of data.

2.1.10 Power Supply Connector

The BATmode can be powered through a 12-19 V DC connector on the back panel (see figure 2). The back panel DC connector is compatible with a 5.5 mm/OD (outer diameter) and 2.5 mm/ID (inner diameter) plug, where the inner contact is +12-19 (\pm 10%) V DC and the shell is GND. The maximum current rating is 10 A.



Use only power supplies of bat bioacoustictechnology to power the BATmode. The use of unauthorized power supplies und connection wires can cause system failure, damage and the loss of data.



2.2 Cellular UMTS Antenna with Magnetic Base (exclusively BATmode S)

Quadband UMTS antenna for cellular network connection of the BATmode S. Antenna connector: SMA.

2.3 Antenna Disc (exclusively BATmode S+)



2.4 Microphone Disc (optionally)



Figure 4: Old and new version of the Microphone Disc

For easier operation and increased splash protection, in newer versions of the microphone disc, the test signal speaker is contacted via the connection of the microphone and the connector is omitted consequently.



2.5 UltraSoundGate of Avisoft Bioacoustics (optionally)

The BATmode-System uses the UltraSoundGate 116Hnbm of Avisoft Bioacoustics to acquire highquality real-time acoustical data of bat calls. For further information read the manual of the UltraSoundGate, which can be downloaded from <u>www.avisoft.com</u>.



Figure 5: UltraSoundGate 116Hnbm

2.5.1 XLR-Input Connector

The 5-pole XLR-Input connector represents the analog inputs of the recording device and provide power supply voltages for external amplifiers and microphones. The connector scheme is listed in Table 9.

Table 9: Pin connection of the XLR-input connector

Pin-Number	Description	
1	Ground	
2	Positive input	
3	Negative input	
4	+5 V supply voltage (max. current 20	
	mA)	
5	TRG input/output	



differential source



single-ended source



3 START-UP

3.1 Installation

The following chapter explains the installation of the BATmode-System in the nacelle of a wind turbine. If you use microphone discs or bat detector dongles not purchased from bat bioacoustictechnology please follow the installation instructions of the manufacturer of your devices.

3.1.1 BATmode S and BATmode S+ Main Detector Unit

The main detector unit has to be installed protected against splashing water and mechanical strain.

If you want to install the device on a VESA compatible mounting plate, remove the device's feet and install the provided VESA mounting brackets. Use the VESA mounting screws to fix the device on the mounting plate.

If you install the device on a DIN rail, please use the DIN rail mounting kit, which is available from bat bioacoustictechnology as accessory.

bat bioacoustictechnology recommends the use of the BATbox S, which is especially made for an easy and safe installation of the BATmode S and BATmode S+ in wind turbines. Since the BATmode is installed in the BATbox on a DIN rail, the BATmode comes with preinstalled DIN rail mounting kit when you purchase a BATmode-System and a BATbox S at the same time.



Be careful not to damage the warranty seals, when removing the device's feet. A damaged seal will invalidate the warranty agreement.



Ensure a sufficient air circulation around the BATmode S and BATmode S+ main detector unit. Overheating can cause system failure or damage to the BATmode-System.

3.1.2 UltraSoundGate USB Device (optionally)

The UltraSoundGate has to be installed protected against splash-water and mechanical strain next to the main detector unit.

bat bioacoustictechnology recommends the use of the BATbox S, which is especially made for an easy and safe installation of the UltraSoundGate in wind turbines. To mount the UltraSoundGate in the BATbox use the clamp in the BATbox S.



3.1.3 Cellular UMTS Antenna with Magnetic Base (exclusively BATmode S)

With its magnetic base, the cellular UMTS antenna of the BATmode S can be easily mounted on most metallic surfaces. Please consider that electromagnetic shielding caused by closed metallic housings (for example the nacelle housing of a wind turbine, which is made of aluminium) may result in poor cellular network reception. In such cases, try to install the antenna outside the electromagnetic shielding producing housing.

3.1.4 Antenna Disc (exclusively BATmode S+)

To install the antenna disc, drill a mounting hole with 100 mm diameter in the bottom of the nacelle of the wind turbine. To guarantee for the best possible WIFI reception at the tower base the disc should be installed looking down to the ground as vertically as possible. The disc has to be mounted with three 4 mm SPAX-screws. bat bioacoustictechnology recommends to pre-drill the mounting holes for the SPAX-screws.



To avoid damage caused by water do not install the disc in the lowest point of the nacelle. *Moisture can cause system failure or damage to the BATmode-System.*

3.1.5 Microphone Disc (optionally)

To install both the new as well as the old version of the microphone disc also a mounting hole with 100 mm diameter has to be drilled in the bottom of the nacelle of the wind turbine. In compliance to most legal guidelines, the best place is at the bottom of the nacelle between the tower and the rotor of the wind turbine. To guarantee for optimal acoustical bat monitoring results the disc should be installed looking down to the ground as vertically as possible. The disc has to be mounted with three 4 mm SPAX-screws. bat bioacoustictechnology recommends to pre-drill the mounting holes for the SPAX-screws.



To avoid damage caused by water do not install the disc in the lowest point of the nacelle. *Moisture can cause system failure or damage to the BATmode-System.*



3.2 Connecting

1. Connect the USB 2.0 interface connector of the UltraSoundGate with the green marked UltraSoundGate port on the front of the BATmode (see Figure 1).



Do not connect the UltraSoundGate to other USB ports of the BATmode since only the depicted green marked port is controlled by BATcontrol and allows resetting the UltraSoundGate, if an error occurs.

- 2. If you use the version of the microphone disc with three ports, connect the XLR-input connector of the UltraSoundGate with the single end of the microphone cable. Subsequently, connect both connectors at the other end of the y-wire with the microphone and heating connector of the microphone disc. Due to different pin numbers, it is not possible to connect the microphone cable incorrectly. If you are using a two-port microphone disc, use the microphone cable to connect the microphone output of the UltraSoundGate to the microphone connector of the microphone disc.
- 3. Connect the heating connector of the BATmode with the one of the microphone disc by using the heating cable.
- 4. Exclusively **BATmode S**:

Connect the cellular UMTS antenna to the cellular antenna connector of the BATmode S.

Exclusively BATmode S+:

Connect antenna wires with the corresponding connectors at the BATmode and the antenna disc

Ensure not to interchange both wires. This would cause declined signal reception levels of the WIFI and cellular network connection.

5. Exclusively BATmode S+:

Use the temperature sensor cable to connect the temperature sensor input of the BATmode S+ with the corresponding temperature sensor output of the antenna disc.

6. Exclusively BATmode S+:

Optionally, precipitation data can be acquired by the BATmode S+. For this purpose, a precipitation sensor has to be connected to BATmode S+.

Only use authorized precipitation sensors und connection wires, since the use of different devices can cause system failure, damage and loss of data.

- 7. To simplify the parameterization of the BATmode-System peripheral pc devices (mouse, keyboard, screens...) can be connected to the free USB and Minidisplay ports, optionally.
- 8. If it is intended to use wired LAN connection to remotely access the BATmode-System, connect a corresponding Ethernet cable to the LAN port (RJ45, not included in delivery) of the BATmode.
- 9. Finally, connect the power supply to the BATmode.





Only use power supplies authorized or supplied by bat bioacoustictechnology, since the use of different devices can cause system failure, damage and loss of data.



Do not use tools (nipper, wrench ...) for fixation of cable connections since this can damage the connectors and/or the wires. Always use strain reliefs to avoid unintentional disconnection.



3.3 First Start-Up

During first start-up of the BATmode-System, the following steps should be executed in the named order to individually setup the system and activate all functions.

1. Insert a SIM card in the corresponding slot of the BATmode. The data plan has to include SMS and/or data transmission.

Basically, bat bioacoustictechnology recommends the use of PIN free SIM cards, because only an inactivated PIN allows to unlock the SIM card after a reboot of the system automatically.

- 2. For an initial parameterization connect the peripheral pc devices named under bullet 7 in chapter 3.2 (mouse, keyboard, screen) to the BATmode.
- 3. After connecting the BATmode to the power supply (bullet 9 in chapter 3.2), start the system by pressing the On-/Off-switch.
- 4. While starting Windows the BATcontrol software will be opened automatically.
- 5. For a start, close the BATcontrol software.
- 6. The first step now should be to change your user password to ensure data integrity. This is a two-step process:
 - To assign a safe new password press <Ctrl-Alt-Del> and click <Change Password> (pre-configured password: "12345").
 - To allow for an automatic log-on to Windows you have to change the auto-log-on password with the tool "ChangeAutologonPassword", which can be find under <*Start -> All Programs -> bat bioacoustictechnology -> ChangeAutologonPassword>.*

Important: Both passwords have to match!

- 7. If you inserted a SIM card, you have to specify the APN data of your mobile provider to establish a cellular data connection. For this purpose:
 - Navigate to <Start 📲 -> Settings -> Network&Internet -> Cellular>.
 - Choose the shown cellular network.
 - Click <Advanced options> and <Add an Internet APN>.
 - Choose a < Profile name>, for instance "telekom".
 - Type the provided <*APN*>, <*User name*> and <*Password*>.
 - Choose <*Type of sign-in info* > "None".
 - Choose <*IP type*> "Default".
 - Enable <*Apply* this profile>.
 - Click <*Save*>.
- 8. Start BATcontrol.

9. Exclusively BATmode S+:

Assign new WIFI hotspot settings on the page *<Connectivity>*. Insert a new WIFI-SSID as well as a new password and start the hotspot.



3.4 Remote access to the BATmode-System

Alternatively, you can use peripheral devices named under bullet 7 in chapter 3.2 to parameterize the BATmode-System and start the acoustical monitoring or you can utilize remote access via WIFI, LAN or cellular network connections.

3.4.1 Remote Access via WIFI Connection

To allow for a remote access via WIFI BATcontrol provides a WIFI hotspot (pre-configured by bat bioacoustictechnology):

- SSID: Your chosen SSID (pre-configured SSID: "BATmode")
- WIFI password: Your chosen WIFI password (pre-configured password: "12345678")
- IP of the WLAN adapter: The IP can be found in BATcontrol on the connectivity page or in myBAT. In most cases, the IP is "192.168.137.1".
- User: BAT
- User password: Your chosen user password (pre-configured user password: "12345")

The SSID as well as the password of the WIFI hotspot can be changed in BATcontrol.

To change the user password please refer to bullet 6 in chapter 3.3.

Remote access is possible via WIFI-capable PCs (Windows, Linux or Mac OS operating systems), smartphones or tablets (Android, Windows phone, iOS), whereat additional programs or apps might be necessary. bat bioacoustictechnology recommends the following software tools:

- Windows: Additional software is not required; software is integrated in Windows (Remote Desktop Connection)
- Mac OS and iOS: Microsoft Remote Desktop
- Android and Windows Phone: Microsoft Remote Desktop

Example for Windows:

The following steps have to be executed on a Windows running PC to remotely access BATmode via WIFI:

- (a) Connect to the WIFI hotspot of the BATmode-System (SSID and password see above).
- (b) Open the program Remote Desktop Connection (for instance type "Remote Desktop Connection" in <Search Windows>).
- (c) Enter in the field <*Computer*> the IP address of the WIFI adapter of the BATmode (see above).
- (d) Press <*Connect*> and sign in with your user password.



3.4.2 Remote Access via LAN Connection

To establish a remote connection by LAN the BATmode has to be connected either to the WWW or directly to another PC (for example a Notebook) via the RJ45 port (bullet 8 in chapter 3.2).

- If you connect the BATmode to the WWW please use a static and public IP address of the LAN adapter
- If you connect the BATmode directly to another PC, use the computer name "BATmode" instead the IP-address to access the BATmode via remote desktop connection.
- User: BAT
- User password: Your chosen user password (pre-configured user password: "12345")

To change the user password please refer to bullet 6 in chapter 3.3.

Remote access is possible via PCs (Windows, Linux or Mac OS operating systems), smartphones or tablets (Android, Windows phone, iOS), whereat additional programs or apps might be necessary. bat bioacoustictechnology recommends the following software tools:

- Windows: Additional software is not required; software is integrated in Windows (Remote Desktop Connection)
- Mac OS and iOS: Microsoft Remote Desktop
- Android and Windows Phone: Microsoft Remote Desktop

Example for Windows:

The following steps have to be executed on a directly connected Windows running PC to access BATmode:

- (a) Connect the BATmode directly with the other PC via an Ethernet cable.
- (b) Open the program Remote Desktop Connection (for instance type "Remote Desktop Connection" in <Search Windows>).
- (c) Enter in the field <*Computer*> the computer name "BATmode"
- (d) Press <*Connect*> and sign in with your user password.



To establish a remote desktop connection via LAN and WWW the IP address of the BATmode have to be public. If your provider uses a NAT server, your IP address is not public. In such cases server based remote services can be used (bat bioacoustictechnology recommends TeamViewer). However, to utilize those services, the corresponding software has to be installed on the BATmode as well as on the accessing PC, smartphone or tablet.



3.4.3 Remote access via Cellular Data Connection

The cellular data connection is established via the mobile network. For this purpose, a SIM card has to be inserted in the BATmode and a connection has to be configured (APN settings, see bullet 1 and 7 in chapter 3.3).

Subsequently, if mobile reception level and SIM card balance are sufficient, the BATmode can be accessed remotely. Indeed, due to technical reasons, the SIM card need to feature a public IP address (ask your provider) to establish a connection. Alternatively, server based remote services can be used (bat bioacoustictechnology recommends TeamViewer). However, to utilize those services, the corresponding software has to be installed on the BATmode as well as on the accessing PC, smartphone or tablet.



4 BATCONTROL SOFTWARE

4.1 Structure



Figure 6: Structure of the BATcontrol software

Fundamental control elements of the BATcontrol software are depicted in Figure 6 and will be described within this chapter in detail.

Words in <...> represents designations used within the BATcontrol software.

4.1.1 Status Bar

The status bar shows current status data of the BATmode-System:

- Current measured temperature value
- Current measured precipitation value
- WIFI hotspot (If the hotspot is started, a green WIFI symbol is shown.)
- Internet connection (If the BATmode is online a globe token is shown.)
- Type of the mobile broadband connection (G: GPRS, E: Edge, 3G: UMTS, H: HSPA, 4G: LTE)
- Signal level of the mobile broadband connection



4.1.2 Task Bar

By using the task bar on the left side you can switch between the program pages.

4.1.3 Pages

The following pages are available:

- < *Welcome*>: General information and view settings
- <Connectivity>: Setting of WIFI hotspot, WWAN connection, status messages, remote control and myBAT
- <*Monitoring*>: Settings of the acoustical monitoring
- <*Evaluation*>: Visualization of different parameter over time and "at a glance" evaluation of the recorded acoustical data

In the following chapter 4.2, pages are described in detail.

4.1.4 Start-/Stopp-Button

The Start-/Stopp-Button allows for starting and stopping of the acoustical monitoring and since BATcontrol version 2.0.2 also the simultaneous recording of temperature and precipitation.

Settings used for the acoustic monitoring can be made on the <*Monitoring*> page.

While in BATcontrol versions prior to 2.0.2 the recording of temperature and precipitation values was set up and started on the *Log conditions>* page, since version 2.0.2 the recording of environmental parameters is performed automatically. This means that at start of the monitoring with the start / stop button the recording of the temperature and precipitation data starts automatically. An average value of the environmental data recorded every 30-seconds is determined every 10 minutes, regardless of the recording times of the acoustic monitoring set on the page <Monitoring>, and this is written to the file "conditionlog.txt" in the monitoring directory. The specified time stamp always refers to the beginning of the 10-minute mean interval. If no sensor is connected (points 5 and 6 in chapter 3.2) or if the system BATmode S is used, no recording of temperature and precipitation takes place.



The BATmode S+ - System is specified for the use of the temperature sensor integrated in the antenna disc as well as the precipitation sensor "Precipitation Sensor" of Adolf Thies GmbH & Co. KG. Do not use non-approved sensors, as this may result in failure or damage to the device as well as data loss.

4.1.5 Message Bar Latest messages are shown in the message bar.



4.2 **Operation**

4.2.1 Page: Welcome

The welcome page shows the state of the components of the BATmode-System and the corresponding connection status.

BATcontro	ol - BATmode		– 🗆 X
	Temperature: 23.7℃	Precipitation: not connected	WIFI 🌒 4G 📶 ?
bat Welcome	Connection Status	IO-Device connected	
Connectivity		Avisoft UltraSoundGate connected Connected provider: Telekom.de	
Monitoring	ID	ID of this BATmode: BATmode	
Evaluation	Current Values	Monitoring Status Monitoring is not running	View
		A Cont	

Figure 7: Welcome Page

4.2.1.1 <Connection Status> Box

The *<Connection Status>* box shows the current connection status of BATcontrol:

- The IO device, which is integrated in the BATmode, allows the recording of temperature and precipitation data and controls the LED output on the front panel of the BATmode device. If the device cannot be connected at BATcontrol start up, please contact bat bioacoustictechnology support.
- Avisoft Bioacoustics' UltraSoundGate is used to record the bat calls. To enable starting of the
 acoustical monitoring, connect the UltraSoundGate to the left USB port on the front panel of
 the BATmode device (see Figure 1). If the UltraSoundGate is connected to another USB port,
 BATcontrol cannot restart the device if an error occurs.
- The status of the mobile radio modem indicates the current state of the cellular connection. All possible states are listed in Table 10.



Basically, bat bioacoustictechnology recommends the use of PIN free SIM cards, because only an inactivated PIN allows to unlock the SIM card after a reboot of the system automatically. Furthermore, the system has to be installed in an area with sufficient mobile network coverage.



SIM state	How to solve problem:
No SIM inserted	Insert SIM
SIM locked	Enter PIN
No cellular network connection	Connect antenna or move device in area with network coverage
Modem not available	Activate Mobile Broadband Adapter in the Windows Device Manager
Modem turned off	Turn on Mobile Broadband Interface in Windows
SIM account not active	Activate SIM card at your provider
Connected provider: (Data class)	

Table 10: Possible states of cellular connection

4.2.1.2 <ID>-Box

The ID of the BATmode is the individual identifier of the BATmode device. It forms the beginning of the file name in all recorded WAV files and is sent in all status messages. Please choose an ID, which allows you to assign the files to the respective monitoring, e.g. "BATmode1Windpark1".

4.2.1.3 <Current Values> Box (only relevant for BATmode S+)

The *<Current Values>* box shows current temperature and precipitation values. If a sensor is not correctly connected, a corresponding symbol is displayed.

4.2.1.4 <Monitoring Status> Box

The *<Monitoring Status>* box displays latest values of a running acoustic monitoring.

4.2.1.5 <View> Box

By using the view button (schematic picture of a PC or tablet, respectively) you can change between full screen and normal mode. The full screen view is optimized for mobile devices with touch control and the normal view is intended to be used for desktop PCs with mouse control.



4.2.2 Page: Connectivity

On page *<Connectivity>*, you can configure all settings, which are relevant to monitor the BATmode-System remotely.

BATcontro	ol - BATmode	- 🗆 X
	Temperature: 23.7°C Pr	recipitation: not connected WIFI 🌒 4G 📶 ?
Connectivity Monitoring	Daily Status SMS Receiver Number(s): +491601234567; SMSC-Number: +491710760000 Send Time: 10 h : 0 min Format: • HRI O CSV Send Test SMS Remote SMS and myBAT	✓ Daily Status Mail Receiver Address(es): max@moritz.com; Send Time: 11 h : 0 min Attachments: ☑ References-Log ☑ Files-Log ☑ Conditions-Log ☑ Remote-Log Send Test Mail Advanced Options and Information
Evaluation	Security Number(s): +4915221918574; +491601234567 SMS Remote SMS Remote Feedback myBAT Open log-File Last myBAT Update: 2017-08-28 14:08:07	IP Address of LAN Adapter: 169.254.223.146 IP Address of WIFI Adapter: 192.168.137.1 Mobile Number: Not available MAC Address: B8:AE:ED:74:10:6E Reset Modem
	WIFI-HotSpot HotSpot SSID: BATmode Stop Password: 12345678 WIFI-Hotspot started (IP: 192. 168. 137. 1)	Cellular Data Connection Telekom.de (LTE) Disconnect Connected

Figure 8: Connectivity Page

4.2.2.1 <Daily Status SMS> Box

The BATmode-System can send daily status messages via SMS to you at a specified time. If you wish to receive the daily messages, check the box *<Daily Status SMS>* and store the desired receiver's number in international format (for example, +49160123456) at *<Receiver Number(s)>*. If several receivers are desired, enter several numbers separated by ";". To send a SMS it is essential, that the right SMS-Center number of your SIM provider is typed in the *<SMSC-Number>* field. Ask your provider for it. Transmission time is set via the *<Send time>* input fields. Two different SMS formats are available and can be chosen by the radio buttons *<human readable>* and *<CSV>*. While the human-readable format allows for a manual message evaluation, the CSV (comma-separated values) format is intended to be used with spreadsheet analysis tools or databases. You can send a test message to the specified number(s) by pressing *<Send Test SMS>*.

The content of the messages is composed of current status values of the BATmode-System. In the human-readable format corresponding acronyms are prefixed to the respective values. Table 11 lists the used acronyms and respective descriptions. By choosing the CSV format values are separated only with semicolons and acronyms are used any longer.

To always keep the maximum character length of 160 characters of an SMS, the ID of the device is shortened in the status SMS if necessary.





To send a status via SMS a sufficient SIM card balance or adequate mobile tariff is resumed. Furthermore, the system has to be installed in an area with sufficient mobile network coverage.

Table 11: Meaning of the acronyms used in status SMS

Acronym	Meaning	
ID	ID of the system defined with Prefix. The value is also prefixed in the filenames	
	of the record files.	
MON	Current status of the monitoring. If monitoring is running, the time periods (e.g.,	
	"16: 00-09: 00") or the relative minutes with respect to sunrise and sunset (e.g.	
	"-10/40") are sent. If no time periods are set, the status is set as "ungated".	
LRL	Last recorded reference value of the microphone played by the test signal	
	speaker. In brackets deviation from the calibration value.	
LRD	Recording date of the last reference value.	
LFD	Recording date of the last record.	
FL24	Number of records in the last 24 hours.	
FT	Total number of records in monitoring directory.	
FC	Free disc space on drive C in GB.	
FD	Free disc space on drive D in GB.	
SL	Current mobile signal level in %. If a connection to the mobile network cannot	
	be established, the following error messages are possible:	
	MNA: Modem not available	
	<i>MTO</i> : Modem turned off	
	LOS: SIM locked	
	NOS: No SIM detected	
	NAS: SIM account not active	
WWW	Status of Internet connection. The following messages are possible:	
	<i>Off</i> : System is offline	
	LAN: System is online via a LAN connection	
	E: System is online via mobile connection, current data type is EDGE	
	G: System is online via mobile connection, current data type is GPRS	
	3G: System is online via mobile connection, current data type is UMTS	
	H: System is online via mobile connection, current data type is HSDPA	
	4G: System is online via mobile connection, current data type is LTE	
WIFI	Status of WIFI-Hotspot.	

4.2.2.2 <Daily Status Mail> Box

The BATmode-System can send daily status mails to you at a specified time. If you wish to receive the daily mails, check the box *<Daily Status Mail>* and insert the receiver's address in *<Receiver Address(es)>*. Multiple recipient addresses can be entered separated by a ";". Sending time is set in *<Send time>*. By checking the boxes *<Reference-Log>*, *<Files-Log>*, *<Remote-Log>* and/or *<Conditions-Log>* you can determine, which files are attached to the daily status mail. You can send a test mail to the specified address(es) by pressing *<Send Test Mail>*.





To send mails an active Internet connection is required in which ports 25 and 587 may not be blocked.

4.2.2.3 <Remote SMS and myBAT> Box SMS-Remote

Basic remote commands can be transmitted to the BATmode-System via SMS. If you want to allow SMS remote, check the box *<SMS Remote>*. To prevent SMS commands execution received from unauthorized persons, telephone numbers from which SMS commands should be accepted must be stored in the *<Security Number(s)>* field. The numbers are to be entered in international format separated by semicolons. Available commands and the corresponding system responses are listed in Table 12. If the check box *<SMS Remote Feedback>* is enabled, the system confirms executed command SMS via response SMS to the sender of the command.



To use SMS remote commands an unlocked SIM card has to be inserted in the BATmode. Basically, bat bioacoustictechnology recommends the use of PIN free SIM cards, because only an inactivated PIN allows to unlock the SIM card after a reboot of the system automatically. Furthermore, the system has to be installed in an area with sufficient mobile network coverage.

myBAT

myBAT is a cloud based monitoring, control and administration tool for your BATmode-System. It allows you to view the current status of your monitoring system and control it remotely. Furthermore, information about recorded data are imaged and can be exported to external tools. For further information and to signup visit <u>www.mybat.bioacoustictechnology.de.</u>

To activate myBAT for your BATmode enable <*myBAT*>.

The last time BATcontrol updated the system status on myBAT is shown under <Last myBAT Update>.



myBAT requires an active Internet connection in which port 3306 may not be blocked. By using myBAT increased charges of your Internet service provider may occur.

All received SMS and myBAT commands are stored in a log file. To open the log file press *<Open log-file>*.



SMS text	System response
Reboot!	System reboots.
Shutdown!	System shuts down.
	Caution: The system cannot be started again
	remotely!
Send status!	Status SMS is send to predefined number.
Send Mail!	Status mail is send to predefined E-Mail address.
	If no receiver address is defined and/or no Internet
	connection is available, no action is conducted.
Send Mail to max(at)moritz.com!	Status mail is send to max@moritz.com.
	If no Internet connection is available, no action is
	conducted.
	Please note that since BATcontrol 2.1.0 this command
	must also be terminated with an exclamation mark.
Start WIFI-Hotspot!	WIFI hotspot is started with the predefined settings.
Stop WIFI-Hotspot!	WIFI-Hotspot stops.
Connect WWAN!	Cellular connection will be established.
Disconnect WWAN!	Cellular connection will be disconnected.
Start monitoring!	Acoustic monitoring will be started ungated. That
	means acoustic events will be recorded independent
	of time of day.
Start monitoring: 11:00-14:00!	Acoustic monitoring will be started gated by
	recording period one. Consequently, acoustic events
	will be recorded in this example only in the time
	Accustic manifering will be started seted by
and 20:00-02:001	recording period one and two Consequently
	acoustic events will be recorded in this example in the
	time period between 11:00 and 14:00 o'clock as well
	as 20:00 and 02:00 o'clock
Start monitoring: -20/10!	Acoustic monitoring will be started relative to sunrise
	and sunset. The daily recording of acoustic events
	takes place in this example between 20 minutes
	before sunset and 10 minutes after sunrise.
Stop monitoring!	Acoustic monitoring will be stopped.
Kill Recorder!	The acoustic monitoring is stopped by closing the
	RECORDER software with a kill command. This allows
	the monitoring to stop when the RECORDER software
	displays an error message
Reset USG!	Terminates running monitoring and restarts the
	UltraSoundGate from Avisoft by disconnecting it from
	the power supply for some seconds.
Send MAC!	The MAC address of the BATmode is send to the
	sender of the SMS.
Send WIFI-IP!	The WIFI IP address of the BATmode is send to the
	sender of the SMS.

Table 12: SMS remote commands



Send LAN-IP!	The LAN IP address of the BATmode is send to the
	sender of the SMS.
Enable Status-Mail!	Enables the transmission of a daily status mail.
	Please consider that correct mail settings has to be
	inserted to use this command.
Disable Status-Mail!	Disables the transmission of a daily status mail.
Enable Status-SMS!	Enables the transmission of a daily status SMS. Please
	consider that correct SMS settings have to be
	specified to use this command.
Disable Status-SMS!	Disables the transmission of a daily status SMS.
Send condition!	Current temperature and precipitation values are
	sent to the SMS sender.
Send calibration!	Current calibration values of the microphone are
	sent to the SMS sender.
Add Security Number:	Adds the phone number +491601234567 to the
+491601234567!	Security Numbers. Only these numbers are allowed to
	send SMS commands to the BATmode-System.

4.2.2.4 <Advanced Options and Information>-Box

The *Advanced Options and Information*>-Box shows the most important addresses of the BATmode system that are required to connect via remote access:

- <IP Address of LAN Adapter>: Address of the LAN adapter to establish a wired connection via "Remote Desktop Connection". Alternatively, the computer name "BATmode" can be used instead of the IP address.
- <*IP Address* of WIFI Adapter>: Address of the WIFI adapter to establish a wireless WLAN connection via the "Remote Desktop Connection" to the WIFI hotspot of the BATmode.
- *<MAC Address >*: The MAC address is used to uniquely identify the BATmode in myBAT.

With the help of the button <*Reset WWAN Modem*>, a hardware reset of the modem can be carried out, if a problem with the mobile radio modem occurs. SMS connection as well as a set mobile data connection are reconnected automatically after the reset.

4.2.2.5 <WIFI-Hotspot> Box (only relevant for BATmode S+)

Use the *<Start>/<Stop>* button to deactivate or activate the WIFI hotspot. The SSID as well as the password of the WIFI hotspot can be changed in the respective fields. To connect to the device via WIFI connection the IP of the device is needed. If WIFI hotspot is started, the current system IP is depicted.



Since WIFI hotspot feature is exclusively available for BATmode S+, the box will be disabled by use of BATmode S.



Please note that the WIFI adapter of the BATmode can only manage one connection at a time. This means that if you connect the BATmode via WLAN to your network (the WLAN is provided by a router) it is no longer possible to open a WIFI hotspot through BATcontrol.

4.2.2.6 <Cellular Data Connection> Box

By pressing the *<Connect>/<Disconnect>* button, respectively, the pre-configured cellular data connection can either be connected or disconnected.



To establish a cellular data connection a SIM card with unlocked PIN has to be inserted in the BATmode and correct APN settings has to be configured. Basically, bat bioacoustictechnology recommends the use of PIN free SIM cards, because only an inactivated PIN allows to unlock the SIM card after a reboot of the system automatically.



4.2.3 Page: Monitoring

On page *<Monitoring>* the setup for the acoustical monitoring is configured.

BATcontro	I - BATmode		– 🗆 X
	Temperature: 23.7°C	Precipitation: not connected	WIFI 🜒 4G 📶 ?
bat	Recording Times		
Welcome	Absolute 🔻	Recor	ding Periods: 16:00 - 09:00
(((•	Recording Period 1	Recording Period 2	
Connectivity	Start: 16 h : 0 min	Start: 0 h	: 0 min
	Stop: 9 h : 0 min	Stop: 0 h	: 0 min
Monitoring			
	☑ Daily Testsignal	Testsignal Playback at Monitori	ng Start
Evaluation	Playback time: 12 h : 0 min	✓ e	nable
	Settings		
	Sampling Frequency: 300000 Hz 🔻	Reset UltraSoundGate	Open Monitoring Directory
	Pretrigger: 0,3 s	Set Monitoring Directory	Open Files-Log
	Hold Time: 1,0 s	Load BMU RECORDER settings	Open Feference-Log
	Frequency Range: 15 kHz 🜩 - 80 kHz 🜩	Calibration	Open Condition-Log
	Daily Backup to Drive D:		
	Backup time: 11 h : 0 min 7.0 / 7.5 GB	Drive D:\ready for backup Run Backup	Open Backup Directory
			.4

Figure 9: Monitoring Page

4.2.3.1 Monitoring Times of Acoustical Monitoring (<Recording Times>-Box)

The recording times of the acoustic monitoring, that means the daily time intervals within which bat calls will be recorded, can be defined as absolute time intervals or relative to sunrise and sunset.

In case of absolute recording, the daily periods of time within which the recording of bat calls is active are defined by the two fields *Recording Period 1*>and *Recording Period 2*> (see Figure 9). If neither of both time periods is checked, the acoustical monitoring is activated continuously over the whole day.

If bat call recording periods are to be relative to the sun's course (see Figure 10), the geographic position of the data acquisition location has to be entered for the calculation of sunrise and sunset times in the fields <*Latitude*> and <*Longitude*>. These coordinates can be determined, for example, on the Internet using map services such as Google Maps. To specify the number of minutes the bat call recording is to be started relative to sunrise and sunset, use the two fields <*Delay to Sunrise for Stop*>. Hereby, negative values represent the number of minutes before and positive values the number after sunrise or sunset, respectively.

The resulting daily recording periods are displayed as *Recording Periods* for the current day in the upper right corner (see Figure 9 and Figure 10).



These settings do not affect the recording of the temperature and precipitation values, which is automatically started with the monitoring and always stores in a 10-minute interval the mean values of the data determined every 30 seconds (exclusively BATmode S +).

Recording Times	
Relative to Sunrise and Sunset 🔻	Recording Periods: 20:16 - 06:02 (today)
Recording Period	Position
Delay to Sunset for Start: 10 min 🖨	Latitude: 52,0000° 🖨 Sunset: 20:06
Delay to Sunrise for Stop: -10 min 🜲	Longitude: 13,0000° 🖨 Sunrise: 06:12

Figure 10: Relative Monitoring periods

4.2.3.2 Test Signal

To ensure a correct acoustic bat monitoring, which records all bat calls of a maximum pressure level greater than the previously in the calibration (see section 4.2.3.3) defined trigger level ("Level of Trigger Threshold)"), an ultrasound signal generator is integrated in the microphone disc. It generates a defined ultrasound signal with known sound pressure level, which allows the monitoring of microphone sensitivity and thus the acoustic monitoring.

In order to determine microphone sensitivity, the ultrasonic signal generator is activated by the RECORDER software for one minute and generates a temporally varying narrow-band ultrasound signal between 30 and 50 kHz to take account of temperature influences on the resonance frequency of the ultrasound signal generator. With the automatically opened "Trigger Level Calibration" dialogue, the software RECORDER measures the maximum signal level relative to the maximum output value of the microphone in dBFS (dB Full Scale), continuously (see Figure 11). Finally, the maximum measured value is stored in the file "reference.txt" in the monitoring directory.

A fictitiously assumed value of -13.6 dBFS means that the maximum sound pressure level of the test signal generator determined during the measurement is -13.6 dB below the maximum output value of the microphone. If the value is within a range of \pm 6 dB around the "Full Scale Level of Reference Signal" specified in the calibration certificate, bat monitoring will provide correct data.

If smaller negative values are determined (for example -10 dBFS) than specified in the calibration certificate, the test signal generated by the ultrasonic signal generator is recorded "too loud" by the microphone. This indicates that there are sound reflecting objects in front of the microphone. If, on the contrary, larger negative values are determined (for example -25 dBFS), the test signal is recorded as "too quiet". This is mostly due to dirt on the microphone.





Figure 11: Trigger Level Calibration Dialog of the RECORDER Software

To measure daily test signals with the integrated test signal speaker and monitor microphone sensitivity check the box *<Daily Testsignal>*. The time the test signal is played can be determine with the two spin boxes. The playback time is independent of the determined recording periods. Nevertheless, to avoid masking of bat calls, it should not be within the recording periods.

If you want to execute the microphone sensitivity test at monitoring start, check the box <*enable*> in <*Testsignal Playback at Monitoring Start*>.

4.2.3.3 Settings

To determine the used sampling rate for the acoustic monitoring use the dropdown menu *<Sampling Frequency>*. Available sampling rates: 50, 62.5, 75, 100, 125, 150, 166.6, 187.5, 214, 250, 300 kHz (default: 300 kHz).

The temporal length of an acquired ultrasound signal, which is triggered by a trigger event, can be determined with the so-called *Pretrigger>* and the *Hold time>*, respectively. *Pretrigger>* (default: 0.3 s) defines the length of acquisition time in advance of the trigger event and *Hold time>* (default: 1.0 s) represents the time of data acquisition after a trigger event occurs.



Settings for <Pretrigger> and <hold time> have a significant impact on the required disc space per recorded file. Nevertheless, if selected time spans for <Pretrigger> and <hold time> are too small, acquired bat calls may not be recorded in their full length.

To determine the frequency range within bat calls are recorded, use the two fields of *<Frequency Range>*. The first field represents the lower limit frequency (default: 15 kHz) and the second field the upper limit frequency (default: 80 kHz).

The button <Reset UltraSoundGate> restarts the UltraSoundGate of Avisoft if an error occurs in the software RECORDER, when the monitoring is started.

By using <Set monitoring directory> you can determine the location the recorded bat call files are stored to. Default location is: "C:\BATmode\calls". File names of recorded data are composed as follows:



[prefix][date and time of acquisition][autoincremented number].WAV

By using the button <Load default RECORDER settings> you can load default BMU-configuration for RECORDER software. These default BMU-configuration conforms to the settings recommended by bat bioacoustictechnology. On loading default values current settings will be discarded.



Please consider that all settings, which are employed within the RECORDER software, are saved on closing the software.

Please note that changing the base directory in the RECORDER-Software is not adopted to BATcontrol prior closing the RECORDER-Software. Consequently, BATcontrol is not able to access recorded data and cannot make them accessible via myBAT for example. If you want to change the directory where recorded data is saved, we recommend setting the directory via the BATcontrol button <set monitoring directory> before starting the monitoring.

Also running the RECORDER software externally, that means, it is not started by BATcontrol, may affect settings, if the configuration file "C:\User\BAT\AppData\ Roaming\BATcontrol\recorderconfig.ini" is loaded.

To change settings of the RECORDER-Software, which are not covered by BATcontrol, we recommend the following approach:

- 1) Start monitoring in BATcontrol
- 2) When the RECORDER-Software is opened, stop the recording by pressing the Stop-Button in the RECORDER-Software
- 3) Change settings in the RECORDER-Software
- 4) Close the RECORDER-Software
- 5) Restart monitoring with BATcontrol

To make bat call recordings comparable and compatible to German BMU guidelines and the tool ProBat, a calibration of the used trigger level threshold is necessary. For this purpose, open the calibration dialogue by pressing the button *<Calibration>* (see Figure 12). To carry out a calibration, enter the calibration data supplied with the BATmode microphone disc as well as the desired trigger threshold (default: 37 dBSPL). Subsequently, press the *<Calibrate now!>* button to confirm the new calibration. For further information on BATmode microphone calibration visit http://www.bioacoustictechnology.de/calibration-of-the-batmode-system/?lang=en.





Figure 12: Calibration Dialogue



bat bioacoustictechnology recommends to recalibrate the microphone after each year of monitoring. This is necessary to consider sensitivity alternations of the microphone and/or changes of the sound pressure level of the test signal speaker, which can be caused by ageing, dirt particles or influences of weather. If you wish to recalibrate your microphone and test signal speaker, contact the support of bat bioacoustictechnology and send the microphone disc.



To make recorded acoustic data compatible with the evaluation software ProBat, a trigger level threshold of 37 dBSPL or 50 dBSPL must be selected. bioacoustictechnology recommends to set the trigger level threshold to 37 dBSPL and only use 50 dBSPL for wind turbines with a very high noise level. Please, consider the enclosed documents of the PROBAT software.

By using *<Open Monitoring Directory>* you can open the location the recorded bat call files as well as environmental data are stored. The default location is: "C:\BATmode\calls".

Clicking *<Open Files Log>* opens the file "FILES.LOG" in the monitoring directory. All monitoring start/stop events and times of acoustic recordings are logged in this file.

By using *<Open Reference Log>* you can open the file "reference.txt" in the monitoring directory. All microphone sensitivity tests with the test signal speaker are logged in this file. Consequently, this file can thus be used as proof of a correct monitoring.

Clicking *<Open Condition Log>* opens the file "conditionlog.txt" in the monitoring directory. This file contains temperature and precipitation data of the recording, which was automatically started with the acoustical monitoring. The time stamp of the values always refers to the beginning of a 10-minute mean interval.



4.2.3.4 Daily Backup to drive D:

To perform a daily backup of the recorded files to a connected USB device with drive address D:/ enable the box <*Backup to drive D:*>. The time the daily backup is executed can be chosen with the two corresponding spin boxes.

To trigger the backup manually use the <Run Backup now> button.

To open backup directory, press < Open Backup Directory>.



Ensure that enough memory is available and that the user has the permission to write on the device. If there is not enough space available or writing is not permitted, backup won't be executed.



Ensure that Windows assigns the drive letter "D" to your backup device. If another drive letter is assigned to your backup drive, backup won't be executed. To assign a different drive letter to your device:

- Right click on the Start menu 📕.
- Select Disk <Management>.
- Right-click on the drive letter you want to change and click <Change Drive Letter and Paths>.
- Click <Change>.
- Use the drop down to the right of <Assign the following drive letter> to select the new drive letter D:.
- Click <OK>.



Make sure that the backup device file system is exFAT. Other file systems sometimes do not allow to store such large number of files that are generated during a continuous bat monitoring.

From BATcontrol version 2.0.2 on, you can use the backup function to export recorded data from the BATmode-System without login on the system. To do this, enable the daily data backup before starting the monitoring and connect a sufficiently large USB stick to the system (bat bioacoustictechnology recommends at least 128 GB). If you want to export the data during the ongoing monitoring, simply remove the stick, which contains all recorded data, and connect a new empty USB stick to the same USB port of the BATmode system. Data recorded and stored on the BATmode-System as well as future records will be automatically copied again on the new stick.



4.2.4 Page: Evaluation

The page *<Evaluation>* visualizes important parameters of the acoustical monitoring as well as of the environmental condition logging. By applying this graphical evaluation tools you can easily assess the quality of your recorded data and intervene, if data quality is below your expectations.



Figure 13: Evaluation Page

To regenerate the plots, use the button <*Refresh*>.

If you want to export a plot as pixel or vector graphic, use the button <*Export*>.

The following plots are available:

4.2.4.1 Reference Level

This plot visualizes the sound pressure level of the daily test signal in reference to the maximum sound pressure level (SPL) of the microphone in dB. The horizontal grey lines mark a ± 6 dB discrepancy of the recorded SPL from the SPL determined in the calibration. Variations of the daily test signal level either indicate an altered microphone sensitivity (microphone sensitivity can alter due to ageing, weather induced effects or deposed dirt particles on the microphone's protective grid) or a changed SPL of the test signal speaker. If the daily test signal level is also after a restart of the system constantly beyond the ± 6 dB lines, the microphone or the test signal speaker may be defective. Please contact the support of bat bioacoustictechnology.

Since the file "reference.txt" at the specified monitoring directory is evaluated to create the plot, not only data from the current acoustical monitoring are incorporated in the figure. In addition, data from past monitorings may be shown in the plot, if data was not deleted.



4.2.4.2 Number of Recorded Files per Day

In this bar chart, the numbers of recorded files are plotted per day.

Since all WAV files in the specified path are evaluated to create the plot, not only data from the current acoustical monitoring are incorporated in the figure. In addition, data from past monitorings may be shown in the plot, if data was not deleted.



4.2.4.3 Activity Image

Figure 14: Evaluation Page Activity Image

This image visualizes the number of recorded WAV files per 10-minute interval as green circles. The larger a circle the more WAV files were recorded in the respective 10-minute interval. Thereby, the x-axis represents the date and the y-axis depicts the respective daytime when files were recorded.

By specifying the geographical *<latitude>* and *<longitude>* of the recording location, the daily time of sunrise and sunset is determined and inserted into the graph.

Use the check box <center Night> to center the graph to night or day times.

By applying this graphical evaluation tool, you can easily assess the quality of your recorded data. Recorded noise will be distributed equally over the whole day, for instance. In contrast, bat calls will be recorded mainly in times of twilight.



Since all WAV files in the specified path are evaluated to create the plot, not only data from the current acoustical monitoring are incorporated in the figure. In addition, data from past monitorings may be shown in the plot, if data was not deleted.

4.2.4.4 Temperature Values over Time (only relevant for BATmode S+) This figure shows the logged temperature values over time.

Since the file "conditionlog.txt" in the monitoring directory is evaluated to create the plot, not only data from the current monitoring are incorporated in the figure. In addition, data from past monitorings may be shown in the plot, if data was not deleted.

4.2.4.5 Precipitation Values over Time (only relevant for BATmode S+) This figure shows the logged precipitation values over time.

Since the file "conditionlog.txt" in the monitoring directory is evaluated to create the plot, not only data from the current monitoring are incorporated in the figure. In addition, data from past monitorings may be shown in the plot, if data was not deleted.



5 TECHNICAL DATA

5.1 BATmode

- 5.1.1 Power supply
 - 12-19 V DC (± 10 %), Connector: 5.5 mm/2.5 mm, max. current rating: 10 A
- 5.1.2 Heating output
 - 19 V DC / 500 mA
- 5.1.3 SIM card slot
 - Mini-SIM, often also called Classic-SIM or Standard-SIM (15 mm x 25 mm)
- 5.1.4 Temperature sensor input (exclusively BATmode S+)
 - Sampling rate: 128 Hz
 - Resolution: 12 bit
 - Input impedance: 8 MOhm
- 5.1.5 Precipitation sensor input (exclusively BATmode S+)
 - Shunt: 200 Ohm
 - Sampling rate: 128 Hz
 - Resolution: 12 bit
 - Input impedance: 8 MOhm
- 5.1.6 Operation temperature:
 - 0 40 °C
- 5.2 Cellular UMTS antenna (exclusively BATmode S)
 - Frequency range: 850/900/1800/1900 MHz
 - Gain: 2 dBi
 - Cable length: 3 m
 - Diameter of magnetic base: 32 mm
 - Operation temperature: -10 55 °C



- 5.3 Antenna disc (exclusively BATmode S+)
 - Operation temperature: -10 55 °C
- 5.3.1 WIFI antenna
 - WLAN 802.11 a/b/g/n
 - Gain: 5 7 dBi directional
- 5.3.2 Cellular antenna
 - Frequency range: 791 960 MHz, 1710 2170 MHz, 2500 2700 MHz
 - Gain: 2 3,5 dBi
- 5.3.3 Temperature Sensor
 - Accuracy: ±0.3 °C typical
 - Local Sensor Accuracy (Max): : ±2.7 °C
- 5.4 UltraSoundGate 116Hnbm of Avisoft Bioacoustics (optionally)
 - Sampling rate [kHz]: 50, 62.5, 75, 100, 125, 150, 166.6, 187.5, 214, 250, 300
 - Resolution: 16 bit
 - Type of converter: Delta-sigma-architecture with integrated adaptive anti-aliasing-filter
 - Frequency response (-3dB): 20Hz 135 kHz
 - Input sensitivity: -9 dBV = -7 dBu = 0.35 Vrms
 - Input impedance: 50 kOhm
- 5.5 Microphone disc (optionally)
 - Operation temperature: -10 55 °C
- 5.5.1 Heating unit
 - Input: 19V DC, max supply current: 130 mA
 - Heating power: 2,5 W
- 5.5.2 Microphone
 - Knowles Electronics FG-23629-P16
 - Impedance: 4.4 kOhm
 - Sensitivity: -53 dBA
- 5.5.3 Testsignal Speaker
 - Sens Comp K Series 40KT08
 - Center Frequency: 40 kHz ± 3.0 kHz
 - Bandwidth (-6dB): 1,5 kHz
 - Total Beam Angle (-6 dB): 125° typical





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