# High Precision Multichannel Potentiostat/Galvanostat

## **Product Description**

Arbin's **MSTAT** system is designed for high performance electrochemical research of battery materials and advanced battery cell testing. Each channel is an **independent potentiostat/galvanostat** and gives users full control of test profiles and data logging to offer **unmatched flexibility**.

The Arbin MSTAT provides true bipolar circuitry to ensure cross-zero linearity with no switching time between charge and discharge. MSTAT hardware provides both digital and analog voltage control. Digital control maximizes the safety of battery cycling and can handle dynamic device resistance, while analog control enables the fast response and stability necessary for electrochemical applications.

## **Product Highlights**

- Each channel provides four current ranges with industry-leading 24-bit resolution. (1µV for Voltage)
- **Multiplexed EIS** (up to 2MHz) where a single module can be customized to share between 4 to 32 channels offering unmatched value.
- **Fully parallelable** so any number of channels can be connected to increase the current handling capability.
- Dynamic data acquisition based on changes in time, voltage, and current to capture more data when it's needed and maintain efficient file sizes.
- Additional reference electrode built-in for each channel in addition to the standard 4-point Kelvin connection.
- Comprehensive safety features for lithium-ion battery testing.

## **Primary Applications**

- Battery Life Cycle Testing and Materials Research
- dQ/dV & Coulombic Efficiency (HPC)
- Symmetric-Cell Testing
- PITT/GITT
- Cyclic & Linear Sweep Voltammetry
- Chrono-amperometry/potentiometry
- Multi-Electrode Experiments







#### Voltage Range

-5 to 5V

#### **Current Range**

5A/500mA/20mA/1mA

#### Channel #

4 to 64



"With Arbin, you can see minute changes in the battery and this gives researchers better predictability of when the end of life will occur in a reduced amount of time."

— J. Novak, Sandia



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#### **Experts in Test Instrumentation**

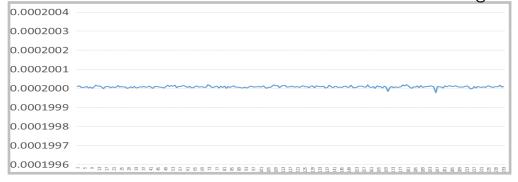


We learned a lot about measurement precision during our **3-year ARPA-E project** with **Ford Motors** and **Sandia National Lab**. We use premium reference meters and shunts representing the global standard for metrology. Arbin has all the tools necessary to develop testing circuits beyond the old industry standards, and under a wide range of environmental conditions. This allows us to have a proper

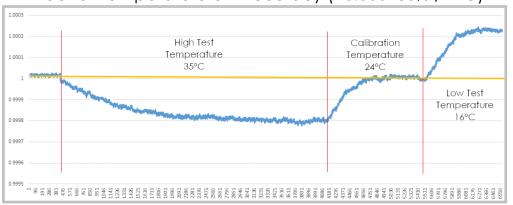
understanding of instrument performance and deliver the best possible product to our customers around the world.

"The measurement precision of Arbin testers allow them to generate high confidence data you can rely on."

Measurement Precision at 200uA! Axis shows 0.02% range.



#### Effect of Temperature on Accuracy (~0.000185% / 1°C)





3-year ARPA-E project to Develop a true high precision testing system for currents up to 200A! We scaled down technology for low current applications.



Arbin + leading industry partners: Ford Motors, Sandia National Lab, and Montana Tech completed ARPA-E, highprecision tester project.



Technology learned during this project has revolutionized Arbin's products, which has resulted in the highest precision testers commercially available on the market.

"High precision measurements are not the only answer to understanding battery life, but it is a key component. Sandia National Lab brings their expertise in metrology and precision measurements and has helped Arbin as they've designed the new series of testers."

- S. Ferreira, Sandia



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# Hardware Specifications

Model Name	Channel	Channel	Max Continuous
	Voltage Range	Current Ranges (±)	Channel Power
MSTAT ±5V 5A	-5V to 5V	5A / 500mA / 20mA / 1mA	25W

Technical Specification		MSTAT ±5V 5A		
	Measurement Resolution	<1µV (24-bit)		
V 11	Measurement Precision	< 60ppm (0.006%)		
Voltage	Control Accuracy	< 0.01%		
	Input Impedance	100G Ohm		
	Noise Free Resolution	0.0003% (18-bit)		
Current	Control Accuracy (0.01% FSR)	5A Range < 1mA 500mA Range < 0.1mA 20mA Range < 4µA 1mA Range < 0.2µA		
	Rise Time	$<\!100\mu s$ Time required for current output to get from 10-90% of setpoint value		
	Minimum Step Time	5ms		
Time	Data Logging Rate	2000 points per second, per system		
	Measurement Resolution	100µs		
Bipolar Linear Circuit Type		Allows cross-zero linearity and no switching time between charge/discharge		
Connection for Computer & Networking		TCP/IP (Ethernet)		
Ventilation Method		Air cooled; variable speed fans		
<b>Environmental Operating Temperature</b>		16 to 35°C		
Computer Specifications		Dell PC with i7 CPU, 22" flat-screen monitor is included, pre loaded with our MITS Pro testing software and SQL		
Auxiliary Voltage Input		1 auxiliary voltage input per channel		
EIS Integration (Optional)		Up to 32 channels may share a single EIS module		



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#### **Available Auxiliary Options**

Select from the options below to expand the capability of your MSTAT system.

**EIS Module** 



An EIS module can be shared across 4 to 32 channels.

**G-1010E** 1A max 10µHz to 2MHz Arbin EIS 20P 1A max 0.01Hz to 10kHz Arbin EIS 40P 0.5A max 0.01Hz to 10kHz

\*Recommended

Additional Reference Electrodes



The standard channel connection is a 4-point Kelvin connection (I+, I-, V+, V-). An additional reference electrode (V+, V-) is also included with each channel. This options adds *more* reference electrodes in cases where a high number are needed.

Temperature Measurement



Thermocouple or Thermistor inputs used to record temperature as well as be used control the test schedule.

Arbin Temperature Chamber



Arbin temperature chamber equipped with RTD for each cell holder to provide precise temperature measurement and stable temperature from 10 to 60 degree Celsius. Cell isolation provides a safer testing environment that if cells are in a shared space.

3rd Party Chamber Interface



Interface with a 3rd party temperature chamber so Arbin software can turn chamber on/off and adjust temperature.

**Auto-Calibration** 



Channels may be calibrated automatically when connected to a digital multimeter (sold separately).

UPS



Uninterrupted power supply for PC so tests can resume automatically after brief power outages.

Digital & Analog Input/Output



Digital: Send and receive a simple on/off signal to interact with external devices.

Analog: Send and receive a 0-10V signal to operate 3rd party devices.



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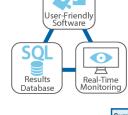
#### Safety Features

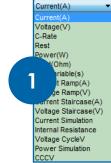
- Multiple levels of internal fusing and over-temperature control measures
- Each system has a fully redundant microcontroller dedicated to monitoring internal communication, voltage and current safety limits
- Testing schedules can have layers of global and step-driven safety limits for voltage, current and power
- Logic-driven scheduling interface allows for additional safety layers based on inputs such temperature, current, or voltage measurements

#### Software Suite

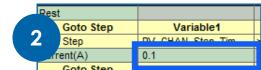
- Perform [optional] EIS every [custom] number of cycles
- Cycle a battery until discharge capacity is 80% of nominal
- Parallel any number of channels together
- Over 90+ meta variables to select from in addition to numeric values
- Results stored in SQL database for robust storage solution
- Automatically export data into Excel format for easy reporting
- Plot data in real-time to see what is happening

"Arbin software gives the user full control over the potentiostatic / galvanostatic functionality of the tester."





- Add steps and choose the control type from a drop-down list
- Enter the control value or one of over 90+ meta variable
- Add one or more termination conditions with the option to use logical AND & OR functions.
- Set one or more data logging intervals to automatically capture extra data during important events



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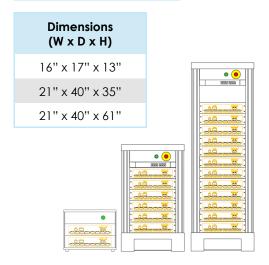
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#### **MSTAT**

# **ARBIN INSTRUMENTS**

#### Chassis Sizes





Arbin's knowledgeable customer service team is well-known throughout the industry for their responsiveness and dedication. Application engineers are always available by phone or email, and with equipment running in over 50 countries, Arbin has experienced support technicians nearby to help install equipment, answer questions, and



provide any maintenance that may be necessary over the life of your system. Additionally, our expansive library of video tutorials make it easy for novice users to learn or experienced users to refresh their knowledge at any time.







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"We did side-by-side comparisons of Arbin and other tester technology. Armed with this data, we moved forward with confidence using Arbin for what is critical to our electrification future [EV]."

T. Miller, Ford Motors



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