

ANTENNAS AND TRANSMISSION LINES

DESCRIPTION

The CL-SIP360 trainer helps the student understand antennas and transmission lines as an integral part of any telecommunications course. This course includes a microwave transmitter, field-strength meter, Lecher line and detector panel; horizontal and vertical dipole and Yagi antennas, to provide both theory and hands-on experiments in antenna radiation patterns, polarization, gains and VSWR measurements. The course provides for 60 hours of instruction.



FEATURES

- Radiation pattern measurements surrounding a horizontal dipole, ground plane and yagi;
- Polarization of electromagnetic waves;
- Measuring frequency by using standing waves;
- Demonstration of the effects of reflectors and directors;
- A UHF transmitter with mW output power, operating in the 800-900 MHz range;
- Includes a field-strength meter
- Contains a printed circuit panel with Lecher line, VSWR meter, dipoles and reflecting rods;
- All solid state operation; and,
- Laboratory manual contains both theory and laboratory measurements.

EXPERIMENT TOPICS

1. The Basic Dipole Antenna

- The Radio Spectrum;
- Electric and Magnetic Fields;
- Transmission of Radio Waves;
- Sky and Ground Waves;
- Antenna Resistance;
- Antenna Reciprocity; and,
- Lecher Lines.

2. Vertical and Folded Dipoles

- Isotropic Antenna Characteristics;
- Antenna Directivity and Gain;
- Beam width and Radiation Patterns;
- Antenna Bandwidth and Q;
- Vertical Ground Plane Antennas;
- Folded Dipole Antennas; and,
- Long Wire Antennas.

3. Driven (Yagi) Antennas

- Element Length Calculations;
- Feed Impedance;
- Beam width; and,
- Gain.

4. Directional Antennas

- Co-linear Beam Antennas;
- Driven Tower Arrays;
- The Rhombic Antenna;
- Log-Periodic Antennas;
- Corner Reflectors;
- Helical Antennas; and,
- The Parabolic Dish Antenna.

5. Transmission Lines

- Propagation Velocity;
- Standing Waves and VSWR;
- Open and Shorted Lines;
- Lecher Lines;
- Impedance Matching;
- Transmission Line Spacing;
- Coaxial Lines;
- Tuning Stubs; and,
- The BALUN.

6. Propagation of RF Energy in the Atmosphere

- Atmospheric Propagation;
- Radio Waves;
- The Ionosphere;
- Critical Frequency; and,
- Angle of Incidence.

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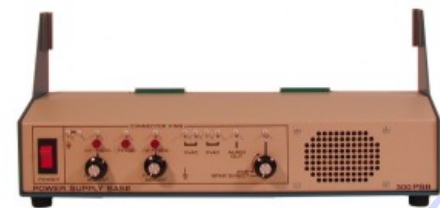
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**ANTENNAS AND
TRANSMISSION LINES****BASIC EQUIPMENT INCLUDED:**

- One (1) CL-SIP360a-1P, Antennas and transmission lines panel;
- One (1) CL-SIP360AM, Laboratory manual;
- One (1) CL-S360-2, Transmitting dipole antenna;
- One (1) CL-S360-3, Ground plane and reflector;
- One (1) CL-S360-4, Yagi antenna;
- One (1) CL-S360-5, Reflector rod;
- One (1) CL-S360-6, Field-strength meter;
- One (1) CL-S360-8, Components kit (Resistors); and,
- CL-S360-10, Cloth tape.

**CL-S300PSB****POWER BASE REQUIRED:**

- One (1) CL-S300PSB, Power Supply Base.

OPTIONAL EQUIPMENT:

- One (1) CL-S00-18, Overhead Demonstration Meter.

SPECIFICATIONS

Each of the following major items is supplied with this course.

1. Antenna Panel with Lecher Line, RF Detector and RF Transmitter

- ✓ Transmitter 860-900 MHz, strip-line (factory set to 880 MHz); and
- ✓ Power input 100 mW nominal.

2. RF Detector/Field-Strength Meter

- ✓ Dual diode, with 50 mA meter; and,
- ✓ Jacks for DMM & overhead demonstration meter (opt.).

3. Antennas

- ✓ Transmitter yagi - One reflector and four director elements (two removable);
- ✓ Receiver yagi - One director and one reflector;
- ✓ Horizontal dipole;
- ✓ Vertical ground plane antenna with removable reflector; and,
- ✓ BALUN, $\frac{1}{4}$ wave, adjustable.

4. Other Supplied Items

- ✓ Reflector rod, cables, matching resistors, polar plotting paper, tape measure and BNC T-connectors (2).

- ✓ T 60-hour course is supplied with a comprehensive lab manual
- ✓ All equipment operates on 120/240 VAC, 50/60 Hz: and,
- ✓ Total weight: 5 lbs (2.27 kg).

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