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1.1 Software basics

- Modular software (Base, Dlts, Hall program modules)
- Software for Windows 9X, NT, 2000, XP, Vista, 7
- Entire hardware is software controlled
- High flexibility and easy use
- Routine and enhanced software
- Input/function restriction by selection of a user class
- Init files, different configurations, hot start
- Update from PhysTech homepage
- Demo programs at PhysTech homepage
- User interfaces by ASCII files or DLL (Dynamic link library)

1.2 Software examples

- Input of sample ID and contact number for database and automatic file names
- Saving of all measure data in binary or ASCII files
- Print out of relevant plots and results on one paper sheet
- Input of material parameters, definition of new materials
- Automatic and manual measurements
- Monitoring of commands and report files for diagnose
- Simulation of measurements available (training, demo)
- Personal style of software available (size, buttons, font ...)
- WebView for watching measurement via internet/intranet

1.3 Database

- Database files:
 - File database as a report of measured files
 - Evaluation database for results, saving by user
 - Standard DBase IV
 - User database, format select by user
 - DLL interface for saving in a customer database
 - Library (only Dlts)
- Export of DBase IV databases to ASCII, HTML, Paradox, Access, Excel, SQL-Server and user defined by ADO
- Program module for view, search and sort
- SQL commands available

1.4 Plot programs

- Standard plot program: size, symbols, colors, axis, zoom ...
- Application plot program: combined plots, many curves/layers
- Edit plot program: edit data
- Presentation plot program: manual many curves/layers, text, ...
- Export to BMP, PCX, GIF, JPEG, WMF, EMF, HPGL, PLT, EPS, DXF, CSV, ASCII, XLS
- Evaluation (if available) by manual or auto linear regression
- Interpolation and smoothing by Splines, Gauss, polynom ...
- List of data in a data sheet
- Print out on half (top/bottom), one or more paper sheets

1.5 Cryo system

- Support of many cryo systems resp. temperature controllers
- All cryo system parameters in special ASCII init file
- Simple makro language for adaptation of controller commands
- User defined DLL possible
- Ramp modes:
 - Boxcar ramp, computer controlled
 - Linear ramp, computer controlled
 - Linear ramp by temperature controller, if available
- All ramp params (waiting time, delta T...) user defined
- Temperature depending PID params, if PID available
- Functions for adaptation and check

3.1 Hall software structure

- Main modules (similiar structure):
 - IV-curves
 - VdP/Hall
 - Routin (quick control, easy, guest)
 - Magneto resistance
 - Tempscan, Timescan, UserXScan
 - Base tools (calibration)
- Contact measure
- Plot, Database, ...





3.2 Modular structure for Hall hardware control

- All hardware parameters in special ASCII init file
- Commands by simple makro language or DLL
- Predefined for 68k-, USB measure system, Keithley devices
- Modular structure:
 - Magnet field (direct commands or voltage control)
 - Current source
 - Voltage measurement
 - Contact matrix
 - Cryo system
 - Others (LED light)

3.3 Hall basics

- Sample types:
 - VdP (van der Pauw)
 - Barshape
 - Collinear 4-point
- 2 point resistivity contact check measurement
- 4 point resistivity vdP and Hall measurements
- 2 independent measurement configurations for Hall available
- Automatic or manual current selection (A or dest. voltage)
- Evaluations of differential resistivity by linear regression
- Hall measurements at 2 or many fields (R/B curve)
- Results: Rho, Concentration, Mobility, Ns(Rho), SymetryFactor
- Print out of relevant plots and results on one paper sheet



3.4 Some specials

- Misaligment voltage compensation
- Classic Hall measurements available
- All measurements can be performed at different temperatures, evaluations as a function of temperature
- Hall resistance and resistivity as a function of magentic field



3.5 Drift correction

- New measurement technique to minimize 'noise drift' for high sensitivity
- Special measurement/evaluation for correction of slow linear drift voltages of sample



3.6 Collinear four-point probe

- Different measurement techniques
- Various corrections
- Results for Rho and Rho-Sheet
- Scanning available



3.7 Seebeck (thermoelectric) Effect

- Measurement of Seebeck coefficient Kapa from Seebeck voltage U_S versus some temperature differences Delta_T
- Measurement at different temperatures yields to curve Kapa versus temperature

