Spectrum Analyzer, Partial Discharge Detector, and RIV Meter Model PD3U



Testing Applications

- Condition evaluation of insulation systems
- Quality assurance testing in manufacturing plants
- Routine testing in a variety of applications

Partial Discharge Measuring

The model PD3U comprises a Spectrum Analyzer, a PD detector, and a RIV meter in one instrument. This combination enables PD measurements even with a large background noise, such as in non-shielded test areas. Observing the frequency spectrum of a significantly noisy PD signal allows the user to select frequency bands with less disturbance resulting in a clearer pattern acquisition.

In RIV mode, the instrument has bandwidth of 9 kHz

- **Compact** design
- Easy to use
- Precise results
- Stand-alone or computer operated
- **Frequency spectrum analysis**
- 4-channel measurement capability
- **Center frequency** is adjustable from 10 kHz – 10 MHz in 10 kHz steps



Spec Mode

Shows the frequency spectrum of the input signal with a selectable span of up to 10 MHz. Three spectrum traces of the current input channel can be stored, compared, and analyzed. A variable curser serves to set the center frequency for acquisition of the PD pattern.

Scope Mode

Displays the PD pattern versus phase. The SYNC frequency ranges from 10 to 500 Hz. The PD activity can be shown as vertical bars or as dots.

Meter Mode

Displays PD activity similar to analog metering. Three modes are available for the charge value in pC (FAST, NORM, IEC270) and one for the voltage value in μ V (RIV).

HVM Mode

Used to observe the measured voltage waveform. The High Voltage Meter (HVM) shows the voltage supplied at the SYNC input. The input voltage is sampled in high resolution and one cycle is displayed as an oscilloscope trace. Any distortion of the high voltage is identified. The screen is automatically synchronized with the measured voltage and the amplitude deflection is controlled by an auto-range function.

Desktop Acquisition and Display Unit

- Spectrum, Scope and Meter display
- Selectable bandwidth 9 kHz and 270 kHz
- Center frequency is adjustable from 10 kHz 10 MHz in 10 kHz steps
- MUX4 Multiplexer 4-channel measurement
- Internal (line 50/60 Hz) and external synchronization (10-500 Hz)
- Auto-range function
- Backlit LCD 240 x 128 dots
- RIV and PD calibration
- RIV reference input
- Automatic storage of current settings
- Universal serial interface (USB, up to 921 kB)
- AMP IN and REF IN connector
- REC OUT
- Built-in Voltage Measurement
- Measures the voltages at the external sync input terminal Display of peak; peak/ $\sqrt{2}$, and RMS value Input range 100 Vrms Input impedance: 1 M Ω
- Built-in TTL Gating

Triggered Noise Cancellation Software controlled gating from a signal connected to an auxiliary input

Gating threshold may be set manually or automatically Includes the built-in logarithmic preamplifier RPA6

Specifications

Acquisition Unit

| Input | 100-240 VAC, 50/60 Hz |
|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Power | 25 VA |
| Temperature Range | 10°C – 40°C |
| Dimensions | 9∛ଃ" (236 mm) W |
| | 11½″ (295 mm) D |
| | 5¼" (133 mm) H |
| Weight | 7 lbs. (3 kgs) |

Reference Voltage Input

| Input Impedance | 100 MΩ / 200 pF |
|-----------------|------------------|
| Input Voltage | Max. 120 V (rms) |
| Frequency | 10-500 Hz |

Partial Discharge Signals

| Coupling | AC |
|-----------------|---------------------------|
| Input Impedance | 50 Ω (without RPA) |



- (6) Disturbance Antenna
- (7) High Frequency Current Transformer
- (8) RG58 Cables --> for the connection between the instrument and the impedance



 (10) RIV Quadrupole --> Measuring Impedance for RIV NEMA-CISPR



Frequency Range: 40-800 kHz Input Impedance: 10 kΩ/50 pF Input Sensitivity: <200 μV Roll-Off: 40 dB/dec Bipolar

Description

RPA1 Preamplifiers (one required for each channel)

Remote power supplied and controlled preamp With 50 Ω line driver Z₁=1 k Ω ll 50 pF Broadband version 40 kHz - 20 MHz

The RPA1 is the standard preamplifier for measurements in the low frequency range according to standards such as IEC60270. Preamplifiers serve to condition, filter, and amplify the partial discharge signal to be measured. Because the frequency range in which PD signals are measured is strongly dependent on the preamplifier used, proper selection of a preamplifier is an important part of noise mitigation and can have a strong effect on the appearance of the partial discharge pattern itself.

Quadrupoles (one required for each channel)

A quadrupole (sometimes called a measuring impedance) can be placed in series with either the coupling capacitor or in series with the test object. Some quadrupoles also output a low-voltage copy of the applied high-voltage wave for synchronizing with the PD detector.

The **CIL/V quadrupoles** contain a capacitor acting as a voltage divider together with the high voltage coupling capacitor. This provides a low-voltage copy of the applied high voltage wave that can be used through a HST to synchronize the PD detector and monitor the quality of the applied high-voltage wave.

The **CIT quadrupoles** are transformer type units, where a preamplifier's input resistance serves as the required damping resistor. CIT units offer a higher sensitivity than the CIL coupling units. Furthermore, CIT units are available for bridged configurations to connect to two similar test objects.



| | Model | Range |
|---|------------|---|
| | CIL4M/V1µ0 | Designed for up to 100 kV, 1 nF Capacitor Range, 400 mA max |
| | CIL4M/V2µ0 | Designed for up to 200 kV, 1 nF Capacitor Range, 400 mA max |
| | CIL4M/V3µ5 | Designed for up to 350 kV, 1 nF Capacitor Range, 400 mA max |
| | CIL4M/V4µ0 | Designed for up to 400 kV, 1 nF Capacitor Range, 400 mA max |
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*Other quadrupoles are available

CAL-4U Universal Partial Discharge Calibrator

A calibrator (calibration charge injector) is suitable for use in calibrating partial discharge measurements.

| Applicable Standards | IEC 60270:2000, ICEA T-24-380-2000 | |
|---|--|--|
| PD Output Values | 1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 50, 100, 200, 500, 1000, 2000, 5000 or 10000 pC (selectable through rotary knob) | |
| Polarity | either positive or negative (selectable through pushbutton) | |
| PD Output Charge Tolerance | < ±3% | |
| Pulse Step Time | < 60 ns | |
| Injection Capacitance Values | $\pm 1 - 100 \text{ pC}$: $C_i \approx 0.7 \text{ pF}$ $\pm 200 - 1000 \text{ pC}$: $C_i \approx 7.5 \text{ pF}$ $\pm 2000 - 10000 \text{ pC}$: $C_i \approx 76 \text{ pF}$ | |
| Operation Modes | single or double pulse (only single pulse output with external charge injection capacitor mode) | |
| Double Pulse Time Interval | 1 – 120 μs (selectable in CAL-4U menu) | |
| Double Pulse Polarity | either positive or negative (selectable through pushbutton) | |
| Synchronization | Internal or light synchronization (15 – 300 Hz) | |
| Internal Synchronization Frequencies | 50 Hz or 60 Hz (selectable in CAL-4U menu) | |
| PD Range for External C _i Mode | $ \begin{array}{llllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllll$ | |
| Power | USB or two LR6 (size AA) 1.5V non-rechargeable batteries | |
| USB Connector Type | 'Mini B' | |
| CAL-4U Output Connector | BNC | |
| Remote Control Feature | CAL-4U can be fully controlled through USB using the (optional) Phenix PD-CAL software | |
| Dimensions (W x L x H) | 4.65" x 6.3" x 1.46" (118 mm x 160 mm x 37 mm) | |
| Weight | 1.2 lbs (0.545 kgs) | |



CT1 Current Transformer

1:10 @ 50 Ω, d=15 mm, 500 kHz - 80 MHz

When a current transformer is used instead of a quadrupole, the current transformer can be placed around a coupling capacitor terminal or around a part of the test object itself. A current transformer has the advantage of providing galvanic isolation between the PD detector and the high voltage circuit. Current transformers are offered as separate modules or integrated with a coupling capacitor into a single unit.



DA1 Disturbance Antenna

The disturbance antenna can be used to pick-up noise signals caused by local corona discharge, or AM radio waves for instance. Its magnetic holder allows a flexible placement on a transformer tank or to other metallic parts close to the object under test. The output signal can be used to trigger the gate input circuit of all PD acquisition or monitoring devices.





Connecting Cables

A full set of high quality RG58 cables with BNC connectors is supplied (20 m) (custom length is available upon request).

- Quadrupole Connection Set
- Calibrator Connections
- Power Lead

Options

Rack Mounting Kit

19", 3RU for mounting into a control console

PD3U Software

Standard Data Acquisition & Control Package

Virtual Instrument to remote control the PD3U and to record data vs. time and vs. voltage

3-D Phase Resolved PD Pattern Acquisition, including ActiveX driver

Supports fast USB communication

12 month free software updates via Web Site

• Active-X Driver (Access to the Com port for use with PHENIX software or 3rd party software)

Accessories for Additional RIV Measurements

• RIV Quadrupole Model CIT4M/v2u0/RIV (1 required per channel)

Measuring Impedance for PD, RIV NEMA and CISPR use

Built-in voltage divider Coupling isolation transformer Ck: 600 pF to 2.5 nF Imax \leq 800 mA Cd = 2 uf (Umax 100 Vrms) Switchable (150 Ω / 300 Ω)

• RIV Calibrator

| Model | del CAL3B CAL3D | |
|--------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------|
| Frequency | 400 kHz to 1.9 MHz | 400 kHz to 1.9 MHz |
| Range | 10 µV to 10 mV | 10 μV to 10 mV (into 300 Ω) |
| Injection Capacitance | V (50 Ω) | V (>20 KΩ) |
| Use | NEMA 107 compliant | CISPR 18-2 compliant |

Additional Specs: 50 Hz or 60 Hz light synchronization, BNC connection

Partial Discharge Free Coupling Capacitors

Model CC25-1, 25 kV, 1 nF, 50-400 Hz with base

Model CC50-1, 50 kV, 1 nF, 50-400 Hz with base

Model CC100-1, 100 kV, 1 nF, 50-400 Hz with base

Model CC200-1, 200 kV, 1 nF, 50-60 Hz with base and casters

Model CC300-1, 300 kV, 1 nF, 50-60 Hz with base and casters

Model CC400-1, 400 kV, 1 nF, 50-60 Hz with base and casters

Model CC500-1, 500 kV, 1 nF, 50-60 Hz with base and casters

Model CC600-1, 600 kV, 1 nF, 50-60 Hz with base and casters

Partial Discharge Free Injection Capacitors

Model IC100-0.1, 100 kV, 100 pF, 50-400 Hz with base Model IC200-0.1, 200 kV, 100 pF, 50-60 Hz with base and casters

Model IC300-0.1, 300 kV, 100 pF, 50-60 Hz with base and casters

Model IC400-0.1, 400 kV, 100 pF, 50-60 Hz with base and casters

Model IC500-0.1, 500 kV, 100 pF, 50-60 Hz with base and casters

NOTE:

- Injection capacitors require CAL1C PD Calibrator
- Multiple channel PD systems require multiple capacitors
- 400 Hz operation available only up to 200 kV on both Coupling and Injection Capacitors





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