238 High Current Source-Measure Unit

SOURCE-MEASURE UNIT: Sources voltage while measuring current, or sources current while measuring voltage.

FUNCTION: Can be used as DC source or meter, sweep source, or full source-measure unit.

SOURCE-DELAY-MEASURE CYCLE:



Default Delay: Fixed delay for instrument settling.

User Delay: Additional delay for device under test or system capacitance.

MEASURE:

Integration Time

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Fast	416 µs	4-digit resolution
Medium	4 ms	5-digit resolution
Line Cycle	16.67 ms (60 Hz)	5-digit resolution
	20.00 ms (50 Hz)	

Elapsed Time: Measures and stores time from sweep trigger to measurement complete for each step of sweep.

RANGING:

- **Source:** Auto-ranging through keypad entry; fixed range selection using rotary dial and SELECT keys (DC function). Fully programmable in SWEEP function.
- **Measure:** Auto or fixed range. Fixed range selection made by choice of COMPLIANCE value.
- **FILTER:** Takes n measurements, calculates and outputs average (n = 2, 4, 8, 16, or 32, selectable).
- SUPPRESS: Subtracts displayed measurement from subsequent readings.
- MENU: DC Measurement Delay, Default Delay On/Off, Local/Remote Sense, 50/60Hz, IEEE Address, Self Tests.

DATA ENTRY: Numeric keypad or detented rotary dial.

TRIGGER:

- **Input and Output:** Set for any phase of SOURCE-DELAY-MEASURE sequence or trigger output at end of sweep.
- **Origin:** Internal, External (including front panel MANUAL TRIGGER button), IEEE-488 bus (TALK, GET, "X").
- **MEMORY:** Stores one full sweep (up to 1000 points) of source, delay, and measure values, elapsed times, and sweep parameters. Lithium battery backup.
- **INTERLOCK:** Use with test fixture or external switch. Normally closed; open puts instrument in standby.

SWEEP WAVEFORMS





Logarithmic Stair





Linear Stair Pulse



WAVEFORM OPERATORS

DESCRIPTION

LEVEL, COUNT (number of DELAY-MEASURE cycles), DELAY, BIAS

START, STOP, STEP, DELAY, BIAS

START, STOP, POINTS/DECADE (5, 10, 25, or 50), DELAY, BIAS

LEVEL, COUNT, T_{ON} , $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{OFF}}$, BIAS

START, STOP, STEP, T_{ON}, T_{OFF}, BIAS

START, STOP, POINTS/DECADE (5, 10, 25, or 50), T_{ON}, T_{OFF}, BIAS

DESCRIPTION

Allows selection of waveform parameters. Generates all source values.

Combines multiple waveforms and adds new points to those already in memory.

Select and change any points in a previously created (or appended) waveform.



Create



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VOLTAGE SOURCEV		MEASUREV					
		RANGE (Max. Value)	STEP	ACCURACY (1 Year, 18°-28°C)	RESOL	UTION 5-Digit	ACCURACY ¹ (1 Year, 18°-28°C)
-	ŧ	±1.5000 V	100 μV	$\pm (0.033\% + 800 \mu V)^2$	100 μV	10 μV	$\pm (0.028\% + 450\mu V)^{2}$ $\pm (I_{-}/I_{}] \times 600\mu V)^{2}$
	ł	±15.000 V	1 mV	$\pm (0.033\% + 2.7mV)$	1 mV	100 µV	$\pm (0.025\% + 1.3 \text{mV})^2$
	-	+110.00 V	10 mV	+(0.033% + 24mV)	10 mV	1 mV	+(0.025% + 10mV)

 I_0 = Output current; I_{ES} = Full scale on selected current range

 1 Specifications apply for 5-digit resolution. For 4-digit resolution add 100ppm of range. Assumes remote sense for I > 100 $\mu A.$

 $^2\,$ On the 1A range use $[I_O/I_{FS}]\,{\times}\,250\mu\text{V}{.}$

COMPLIANCE: Bipolar current limit set with single value. **Maximum:** ±1A (±100mA on 110V range).

Minimum: ±1% of selected voltage range.

Accuracy, Step Size: Same as current source.

NOISE (p-p typical):

RANGE	0.1–10Hz
110 V	< 3ppm of range
15 V	< 3ppm of range
1.5V	<10ppm of range

WIDEBAND NOISE: 0.1 to 20MHz, 8mV p-p typical. OVERSHOOT: <0.01% (110V step, 10mA range).

SETTLING TIME: <500µs to 0.01% (110V step, 10mA range). NMRR: >60dB at 50 or 60Hz (LINE CYCLE integration time selected). CMRR: >120dB at DC, 50 or 60Hz (LINE CYCLE integration time selected).

INPUT IMPEDANCE (as a voltmeter): >10¹⁴ Ω paralleled by <20pF.

CURRENT	SOURCE	I		MEASUI	REI
RANGE (Max.	STEP	ACCURACY (1 Year,	RESOL	UTION	ACCURACY ^{1,2} (1 Year,
Value)	SIZE	18°–28°C)	4-Digit	5-Digit	18°-28°C)
±1.0000 nA	100 fA	±(0.3 %+ 450 fA)	100 fA	10 fA	$\pm (0.3 \ \% + 100 \ fA)^2$
±10.000 nA	1 pA	±(0.3 %+ 2 pA)	1 pA	100 fA	$\pm (0.3 \% + 1 \text{ pA})$
±100.00 nA	10 pA	±(0.21%+ 20 pA)	10 pA	1 pA	±(0.21 % + 6 pA)
±1.0000 µA	100 pA	±(0.05%+200 pA)	100 pA	10 pA	$\pm (0.04 \% + 6 \text{ pA})$
±10.000 µA	1 nA	±(0.05%+ 2 nA)	1 nA	100 pA	$\pm (0.035\% + 700 \text{ pA})$
±100.00 µA	10 nA	±(0.05%+ 20 nA)	10 nA	1 nA	$\pm (0.035\% + 6 \text{ nA})$
±1.0000 mA	100 nA	±(0.05%+ 200 nA)	100 nA	10 nA	$\pm (0.035\% + 60 \text{ nA})$
±10.000 mA	1 µA	±(0.05%+ 2 μA)	1 µA	100 nA	$\pm (0.038\% + 600 \text{ nA})$
±100.00 mA	10 µA	±(0.1 %+ 20 µA)	10 µA	1 μA	$\pm (0.1 \% + 6 \mu A)$
±1.0000 A	100 µA	±(0.12%+ 700 μA)	100 µA	10 µA	$\pm (0.12 \% + 300 \mu A)$

¹ Specifications apply for 5-digit resolution. For 4-digit resolution, all offset terms are 200ppm of range.

² Offset specification applies for 23°C ± 1°C with suppression. Temperature coefficient 50fA/°C.

COMPLIANCE: Bipolar voltage limit set with single value.

Maximum: ±110V (±15V on the 1A range).

Minimum: $\pm 1\%$ of selected current range.

Accuracy, Step Size: Same as voltage source.

NOISE (p-p of range): 0.1–10Hz: <3ppm (<20ppm on 1nA, 10nA and 1A ranges).

OVERSHOOT: <0.01% typical (10mA step, $R_L = 10k\Omega$).

SETTLING TIME: <500 μ s to 0.01% (10mA step, R_L = 10k Ω).

OUTPUT R, C: >10¹⁴ Ω paralleled by <20pF (on 1nA range).

EXECUTION SPEED

MINIMUM SOURCE-DELAY-MEASURE CYCLE TIME: 1ms. RESPONSE TO IEEE-488 COMMAND (as a source): 25ms. MEASUREMENT RATE: 1ms per point into internal buffer.

CONTINUOUS MEASUREMENT SPEED (source DC value over IEEE-488 bus): 110 readings per second.

TRIGGER LATENCY TIME: <2ms.

IEEE-488 BUS IMPLEMENTATION

MULTILINE COMMANDS: DCL, LLO, SDC, GET, GTL, UNT, UNL, SPE, SPD.

UNILINE COMMANDS: IFC, REN, EOI, SRQ, ATN.

- INTERFACE FUNCTIONS: SH1, AH1, T6, TE0, L4, LE0, SR1, RL1, PP0, DC1, DT1, C0, E1.
- All front panel functions and setups are available over the IEEE-488 bus, in addition to Status, Service Request, Output Format, EOI, Trigger, and Terminator.

IEEE-488 address is set from the front panel menu.

GENERAL

LOAD CAPACITANCE: Stable into 20,000pF typical.

REMOTE SENSE: Corrects for up to 2V drop in each output lead. Maximum $lk\Omega$ per sense lead for rated accuracy. Residual output resistance (as a voltage source) is 0.5 Ω .

GUARD:Output Resistance: $\leq 12k\Omega$.

Maximum Output Current: ±2mA.

Open Circuit Offset Relative to Output HI: ±2mV max.

ISOLATION (Output LO to chassis): Typically >10¹⁰ Ω in parallel with 650pF.

MAXIMUM COMMON MODE VOLTAGE: 200V peak.

CONNECTORS:Outputs: 3-lug triax.

Trigger Input/Output: BNC.

Interlock: 3-pin miniature DIN.

TEMPERATURE COEFFICIENT (0°–18°C & 28°–50°C): ±(0.1 × applicable accuracy specification)/°C.

ENVIRONMENT:

Operating: 0°–50°C, 70% relative humidity up to 35°C. Linearly derate 3% RH/°C, 35°–50°C.

Storage: -25° to 65°C.

WARM-UP: One hour to rated accuracy.

COOLING: Internal fan forced air cooling.

POWER: 105–125 or 210–250V AC (external switch selectable), 90– 110V and 180–220V version available. 120VA max.

DIMENSIONS, WEIGHT: 89mm high \times 435mm wide \times 448mm deep (3½ in \times 17½ in \times 17% in). Net weight 9kg (19.75 lb).

ACCESSORIES SUPPLIED:

Model 7078-TRX-10: Triax to Triax Cable, 3m (10 ft.) (2 supplied) Model 236-ILC-3: Interlock Cable

ACCESSORIES AVAILABLE:

Model 8000-10:	Equipment Rack for 3 SMUs (10 in.)
Model 8000-14:	Equipment Rack for 4 SMUs (14 in.)