

METRAHIT T-com

Cable Multimeter for Measurements in Symmetrical Copper Cable Networks

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- Insulation resistance measurement (test voltage: 100 V) with simultaneous recognition of interference voltage as well as polarity reversal for diode testing
- Cable symmetry testing with rapid changeover switching
- Multifunctional multimeter (V, Ω, F, Hz)
- TRMS measurement, AC and AC+DC for current and voltage
- Low-pass filter can be activated (200 Hz / -3 dB)
- Direct current measurement, 100 nA to 1 A
- Precision temperature indication in °C and °F for Pt100/Pt1000
- Display: 3% place, 3100 digits, illumination can be activated, analog display: linear or logarithmic for insulation measurement
- Acoustic signals for: continuity testing, dangerous contact voltages, exceeded overload limits
- · Min-Max value storage
- Data memory and internal clock, power pack adapter socket
- Housing with IP 54 protection, dust and splash protected, protective rubber cover as standard feature
- Bidirectional infrared interface for exchanging data with a PC
- Windows software available as accessory for processing and graphic display of measured values via RS 232 interface
- New housing design, separate battery and fuse compartments, intelligent key functions with SMD button

300 V CAT 111 600 V CAT 11



Calibration Certificate Included



DIN FN ISO 9001 reg. no. 1262



Applications

The METRAHIT | T-com cable multimeter is a rugged portable measuring instrument for use in the field. It is used to perform measurements for pinpointing errors in cable networks. It measures all cable and system related parameters such as voltage, current, resistance, insulation and loop resistance, capacitance and cable length. Interruption of a single core, or contact with an open-circuit core (capacitive asymmetry), is detected by means of polarity reversal and is indicated at the high-speed logarithmic bar graph display.

Features

RMS Value with Distorted Waveshape

The utilized measuring method allows for waveshape-independent TRMS measurement of periodic quantities (AC) and pulsating quantities (AC and DC) for voltage and current at up to 10 kHz.

Activatable Filter for V AC Measurements

A 200 Hz low-pass filter can be activated if required, e.g. for measurements at cables with parasitic external signals. The input signal is checked by a voltage comparator for dangerous voltages as long as the low-pass filter is activated.

Display of Negative Values at the Analog Scale

Negative values are also displayed at the analog scale for zero-frequency quantities (V DC), allowing for observation of measured quantity fluctuation around the zero-point.

Automatic/Manual Measuring Range Selection

Measured quantities are selected with the rotary switch. The measuring range can be automatically matched to the measured value, or selected manually.

Loop Impedance Measurement

Loop impedance can be measured within a range of 100 m Ω and 3.1 k Ω with a constant current of I $_{\rm C}$ = 2 mA. The threshold value for acoustic signaling is adjustable.

Fast Acoustic Continuity Test

Testing for short circuiting and interruption is possible with the selector switch in the (1) position. The threshold value for acoustic signaling is adjustable.

Insulation Resistance Measurement with Interference Voltage Display

Whether insulation testing will be conducted between E-a, b-E or a-b can be selected by turning the selector switch to the appropriate position.

If the instrument detects interference voltage of greater than 15 V AC or 25 V DC during insulation testing, an error message is briefly displayed at the LCD panel. The instrument is then automatically switched to voltage measurement, and the currently measured voltage value is displayed.



Error Localization (with capacitance measurement and cable length comparison)

Interruption of a single core or contact with an open-circuit core (capacitive asymmetry) can be recognized at the display by quickly reversing test voltage polarity.

The conductor is good if the bar graph lengths are the same in the a-E and b-E selector switch positions.

Cable Length Measurement

Bar graph length is directly proportional to cable length. Capacitance per meter also appears as a digital display.

Automatic Storage of Measured Values

The DATA HOLD function automates the storage of measured values after they have settled in. A patented process assures that random values are not saved to memory in the case of rapidly changing measured quantities, but rather the actual measured value. The stored measured value appears at the digital display. The analog display continues to read out the current measured value.

Overload Protection

The instrument is safeguarded for up to 600 V in all measuring functions by overload protection. Voltage of greater than 600 V and current of greater than 1 or 1.6 A are indicated acoustically. FUSE appears at the display if the fuse for the current measuring input blows.

IEC 61010-1, 2nd Issue

Multimeters manufactured as of 1 January 2004 may not be the source of any possible hazard, regardless of the utilized combination of input voltages, function settings and range selections. Possible hazards include electrical shock, fire, sparking and explosion.

Battery Charging Status - Power Saving Circuit

The battery charging status is indicated by means of four symbols. The device is switched off automatically if the measured value remains unchanged for a period of between 10 and 59 minutes (adjustable), and if none of the controls are activated during this time. Automatic shutdown can be deactivated by switching the instrument to continuous operation.

Infrared Data Interface

The device can be remote configured, and momentary and saved measurement data can be read out via the bidirectional infrared interface. The USB | X-TRA interface adapter and METRAwin 10 software are required to this end (see accessories). Interface protocol and device driver software for LabVIEW (National InstrumentsTM) are available upon request.

DKD calibration certificate

METRAHIT | **T-com** cable multimeters are furnished with an internationally valid DKD calibration certificate (recognized by EA and ILAC). After the specified calibration interval has elapsed (recommended interval: 1 to 3 years), the multimeters can be inexpensively recalibrated in our own DKD calibration laboratory.

Voluntary Manufacturer's Guarantee

36 months for materials and workmanship 1 to 3 years for calibration (depending upon application)

Applicable Regulations and Standards

DIN EN 61010, part 1:2001/VDE 0411-1:2002	Safety requirements for electrical equipment for measurement, control and laboratory use
DIN EN 61326 VDE 0843, part 20	Electrical equipment for control technology and laboratory use – EMC requirements
EN 60529 VDE 0470, part 1	Test instruments and test procedures – degrees of protection provided by enclosures (IP code)
TS 0293/96	Technical specifications set forth by Deutsche Telekom – Cable multimeters for measurements in symmetrical copper cable networks

Included

- 1 cable multimeter
- 1 protective rubber cover
- 1 F836 ever-ready case
- 1 KS21T cable set (CAT II/150 V) consisting of: 1 two-conductor measurement cable (yellow/blue), 2 meters long with test probes, 1 earth terminal cable (black), 2 meters long with test probe
- 1 condensed operating instructions, English/German
- 1 CD ROM (contents: amongst other topics multilingual operating instructions and data sheet)
- 1 DKD calibration certificate with calibration report
- 2 batteries, 1.5 V, type AA, installed

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Characteristic Values

Meas.		Resolution at	Innut im	pedance		Intrinsic Error under Reference Cor		Overload	Capacity
Function (input)	Measuring Rang		put		± (% rdg. + d)	± (% rdg. + d)	± (% rdg. + d)		
(iliput)				~/≂			≂ 1), 11)	Value	Time
	300.0 mV	100 μV	9 ΜΩ	9 MΩ // < 50 pF	0.5 + 3 10)	1.5 + 3 (> 300 d)	1.5 + 3 (> 300 d)	600 V	
V	3.000 V	1 mV	9 ΜΩ	9 MΩ // < 50 pF	0.5 + 1			DC AC	
(a)	30.00 V	10 mV	9 ΜΩ	9 MΩ // < 50 pF	0.5 + 1	1.5 + 3 (> 30 d)	1.5 + 3 (> 100 d)	RMS	Cont.
\-,	300.0 V	100 mV	9 ΜΩ	9 MΩ // < 50 pF	0.5 + 1		,	Sine 6)	
	600 V	1 V	9 ΜΩ	$9 \text{ M}\Omega \text{ //} < 50 \text{ pF}$	0.5 + 1			,	
			Voltage drop at a	pprox. range limit		~ 1), 11)	₹ 1), 11)		
	300.0 μΑ	100 nA	18 mV	18 mV	0.5 + 5	1.5 + 5 (> 100 d)	1.5 + 5 (> 100 d)		
А	3.000 mA	1 μΑ	160 mV	160 mV				004	0
	30.00 mA	10 μΑ	32 mV	32 mV	0.5 + 3	4.5 . 5 (00 4)	4 F . F (400 d)	0.3 A	Cont.
(E)	300.0 mA	100 μΑ	320 mV	320 mV		1.5 + 5 (> 30 d)	1.5 + 5 (> 100 d)		
	1.000 A	1 mA	600 mV	600 mV	0.5 + 5			1.6 A	5 min.
	Factor: 1:1/10/100/10	00 Input	Input im	pedance		~ 1), 11)	₹ 1), 11)		
	0.3/3/30/300					1.5 + 3 (> 300 d)	1.5 + 3 (> 300 d)	Measure	ment input
A>C	3/30/300/3k		Voltage measuremen	it input approx. 9 M Ω	0.5 + 3	1.5 + 3 (> 30 d)	1.5 + 3 (> 100 d)	600 V	
(a)	30/300/3k/30k		(X V S	socket)	Plus	clip-on current sensor	,	TRMS	Max. 10 s
			Open-circuit voltage	Meas. current at range limit		dg. + d)			
	300.0 Ω	100 mΩ	< 1.4 V	Approx. 250 µA	0.5 + 3	with ZERO function active			
	3.000 kΩ	1 Ω	< 1.4 V	Approx. 160 μA	0.5 + 1				
Ω	30.00 kΩ	10 Ω	< 1.4 V	Approx. 28 µA	0.5 + 1				
	300.0 kΩ	100 Ω	< 1.4 V	Approx. 2.9 µA	0.5 + 1				
(a)	3.000 MΩ	1 kΩ	< 1.4 V	Approx. 0.31 µA	0.5 + 1			600 V	
	30.00 MΩ	10 kΩ	< 1.4 V	Approx. 33 nA	2.0 + 5			RMS	Max. 10 s
	300.0 Ω	100 mΩ	Approx. 13 V		3 + 5			Sine	
R _{SL}	3.000 kΩ	1 Ω	Approx. 13 V		3 + 5				
u ())	300.0 Ω	100 mΩ	Approx. 13 V	Approx. 2 mA const.	3 + 5				
→	5.1 V ³⁾	1 mV	Approx. 13 V		2 + 5				
			Discharge resistance	U _{0 max}	+ (% r	dg. + d)			
	30.00 nF	10 pF	10 MΩ	0.7 V		with ZERO function active			
	300.0 nF	100 pF	1 ΜΩ	0.7 V	1 + 6 ⁴⁾			600 V	
F	3.000 µF	1 nF	100 kΩ	0.7 V	1 + 6 4)			DC	
(a)	30.00 μF	10 nF	12 kΩ	0.7 V	1 + 6 4)			AC RMS	Max. 10 s
(۳)	300.0 μF	100 nF	3 kΩ	0.7 V	5 + 6 ⁴⁾			Sine	
			-	-					
				f _{min} ⁵⁾	± (% rdg. + d)				
u_ an :	300.0 Hz	0.1 Hz						Hz (V) ⁶⁾ ;	
Hz (V)/	3.000 kHz	1 Hz		1 Hz	0\			Hz (A>C)6)	
Hz (A)	30.00 kHz	10 Hz		10 Hz	0.5 + 1 9	0.5 + 1 8)		600 V	Max. 10 s
Hz (V)	300.0 kHz	100 Hz		100 Hz				Hz (A): 7)	
				I.	± (% rd	g. + d) ⁹⁾			
	- 200.0				,	,			
	Pt100 +200.0 °				2 K + 5				
	+200.0 .				1 + 5			600 V	
°C	+850.0							DC/AC RMS	Max. 10 s
	- 150.0 +200.0				2 K + 5			Sine	
	Pt1000 +200.0								
	+850.0				1 + 5				

^{1) 15 ... 45 ... 65} Hz ... 10 (5) kHz sine. For influence see page 4.

¹¹⁾With short circuited terminal tips

Exception: residual value of 1 to 10 digits, in the mV/ μ A range, 1 to 35 digits as zero point due to the TRMS converter

Key: R = measuring range, d = digit(s), rdg. = measured value (reading)

²⁾ At 0 to + 40° C

³⁾ Display of up to max. 5.1 V, "OL" in excess of 5.1 V.

Applies to measurements at film capacitors

⁵⁾ Lowest measurable frequency for sinusoidal measuring signals symmetrical to the zero point

⁶⁾ Overload capacity of the voltage measurement input:

power limiting: frequency x voltage max. 6×10^6 V x Hz: e.g. max. 600 V 1 kHz $^{7)}$ Overload capacity of the current measurement input:

See current measuring ranges for maximum current values.

⁸⁾ Input sensitivity, sinusoidal signal, 10% to 100% of the voltage or current measuring range; limitation: up to 30% of the range at up to 100 kHz in the mV measuring range, 50% of the range at up to 300 kHz, 30% of the range in the 1 A measuring range.

The voltage measuring ranges with max. 30 kHz apply in the A ? measuring range.

⁹⁾ Plus sensor deviation

¹⁰⁾ With ZERO function active

Insulation Resistance Measurement (a-b, a-E, b-E)

Measuring Function Switch Setting	unction Switch		Digital Display Intrinsic Error under Reference Conditions
U _{interference} /MΩ _{ISO} 1)	6 110 V ≅	0.1 V	\pm (3% rdg. + 30 d)
$M\Omega_{ISO}$	$5 \dots 310.0 \mathrm{k}\Omega^{2)}$	0.1 kΩ	±(3% rdg. + 5 d)
(U _N = 100 V)	0,280 3.100 MΩ	1 kΩ	±(3% rug. + 3 u)
	02,80 31.00 MΩ	10 kΩ	±(5% rdg. + 5 d)
	028,0 310.0 MΩ	100 kΩ	±(5% lug. + 5 u)

Restriction: 250 ... 310,0 k Ω with external power supply unit.

Measuring Function Switch Setting	Nom. Voltage U _N	Open- Circuit Voltage U _o	Nom. Cur- rent I _N	Short- Circuit Cur- rent I _k	Acoustic Signal for	Overload Value	Capacity Time
$U_{interference}/$ $M\Omega_{ISO}$	_	_	_	_	U > 110 V	110 V ≅	Cont.
$M\Omega_{ISO}$	100 V	Max. 120 V	> 1.0 mA	< 1.2 mA	U > 110 V	100 V≅	10 s

Influencing Quantity	Sphere of Influence	Measured Quantity	Influence Error
Relative humidity	75% 3 days instrument off	V, A, Ω, F, Hz, °C	1 x intrinsic error
Battery voltage	1.8 to 3.6 V	ditto	Included in intrinsic error

Influencing Quantity	Sphere of Influence	Measured Quantity / Measuring Range	Damping
	Interference quantity max. 600 V \sim	V 	> 120 dB
Common mode interference		3 V ∼, 30 V ∼	> 80 dB
voltage	Interference quantity max. 600 V \sim 50 Hz 60 Hz, sine	300 V ∼	> 70 dB
		600 V ∼	> 60 dB
Series mode interference voltage	Interference quantity: V ~, respective nominal value of the measuring range, Max. 600 V ~, 50 Hz 60 Hz sine	V 	> 50 dB
	Interference quantity max. 600 V —	V ~	> 110 dB

Influencing Quantities and Influence Error

Influencing Quantity	Sphere of Influence	Measured Quantity / Measuring Range 1)	Influence Error (% rdg. + d) / 10 K
Temperature		V 	0.2 + 5
		V ~	0.4 + 5
	0° C +21° C and +25° C +40° C	300 Ω 3 MΩ	0.5 + 5
		30 MΩ	1 + 5
		mA/A 	0.5 + 5
		mA/A ≂	0.8 + 5
		30 nF 300 μF	1 + 5
		Hz	0.2 + 5
		°C/°F (Pt100/Pt1000)	0.5 + 5

¹⁾ With zero balancing

Influenc- ing Quantity	Measuring		Sphere of Influence	lntrinsic error $^{3)}$ $\pm ($ $\%$ rdg. $+$ d)
		300 mV	> 15 Hz 45 Hz	2 . 5 . 200 dielte
	V _{AC} 2)	300 V	>65 Hz 10 kHz	3 + 5 > 300 digits
		600 V	> 65 Hz 5 kHz	3 + 5 > 60 digits
Fre-		300 μΑ	> 15 Hz 45 Hz	0 . 10 . 000 4:
quency	A _{AC}	1 A	>65 Hz 10 kHz	3 + 10 > 300 digits
	A _{AC}	300 μΑ	> 15 Hz 45 Hz	2 . 20 . 200 digita
+DC	1 A	>65 Hz 10 kHz	3 + 30 > 300 digits	
	A _{AC}	300 mV / 3 V / 30 V	>65 Hz 10 kHz	3 + 5 > 300 digits

²⁾ Power limiting: frequency x voltage max. 6 x 10⁶ V x Hz

³⁾ The accuracy specification is valid as of a display value of 10% to 100% of the measuring range for both measuring modes with the TRMS converter in the AAC and A (AC+DC) ranges.

Influencing Quantity	Sphere of Influence	Measured Quantity / Measuring Range	Influence Error ⁵⁾
Crest Factor CF	1 3	V ~. A ~	± 1% rdg.
	> 3 5	V ∼, A ∼	± 3% rdg.

⁵⁾ Except for sinusoidal waveshape

Response Time (after manual range selection)

Measured Quantity / Measuring Range	Response Time, Digital Display	Measured Quantity Waveshape
V , V ∼ A , A ∼	1.5 s	from 0 to 80% of upper range limit value
300 Ω 3 MΩ	2 s	
30 MΩ	5 s	
Continuity	< 50 ms	from ∞ to 50% of upper range limit value
°C (Pt 100)	Max. 3 s	or apportunge in its value
→	1.5 s	
30 nF 300 μF	Max. 5 s	from 0 to 50%
>10 Hz	1.5 s	of upper range limit value

Reference Conditions

+23° C ±2 K Ambient temperature 40% ... 75% Relative humidity Measured qty. frequency 45 Hz ... 65 Hz

Measured qty. waveshape Battery voltage 3 V ±0.1 V

Ambient Conditions

0° C ... +40° C Accuracy range Operating temp. range -10° C ... +50° C

Storage temp. range -25° C ... +70° C (without batteries) Relative humidity 40 to 75%, no condensation allowed

Elevation to 2000 m

Deployment Indoors, except within specified ambient

conditions

Recognition of interference voltage Where R < 100 k Ω , FEHL is displayed first.

Display

LCD panel (65 x 36 mm) with analog and digital display including unit of measure, type of current and various special functions

Background illumination

Background illumination is switched off approximately 1 minute after it has been activated.

Analog

Display LCD scale with bar graph or pointer,

depending upon the selected parameter

setting

Scaling Linear (ranges other than $M\Omega_{ISO}$):

 \pm 5 ... 0 ... \pm 30 with 35 scale divisions for \pm 0 ... 30, with 30 scale divisions in all

other ranges

Polarity display With automatic swite Overflow display With the ▶ symbol

Sampling rate 40 measurements per second and display

refresh

Digital

Display / char. height 7-segment characters / 15 mm

Overflow display

"OL" is displayed for ≥3100 digits

"oL" is displayed for ≥3100 digits

"-" (minus sign) is displayed if plus pole is connected to "⊥"

Sampling rate 10 and 40 measurements per second with

the Min-Max function except in the capacitance, frequency and keying ratio

measuring functions

Refresh Rate 2 times per second, every 500 ms

Power Supply

Battery test

Battery 2 ea. 1.5 V mignon cell (2 ea. size AA),

alkaline manganese per IEC LR6

Service life With alkaline manganese:

approx. 200 hrs. (without $M\Omega_{ISO}$ meas.) Battery capacity display with battery

symbol in 4 segments: .

Querying of momentary battery voltage via

menu function.

Power OFF function The multimeter is switched off automatically:

If battery voltage falls below approx. 1.8 V
 If none of the keys or the rotary switch are activated for an adjustable duration of 10 to 59 minutes, and the multimeter is not in the continuous operation mode

Power pack socket If the power pack has been plugged into

the instrument, the installed batteries are disconnected automatically.

Rechargeable batteries can only be

recharged externally.

Measuring Function	Nominal Voltage U _N	DUT Resistance	Service Life in Hours	Number of Possible Mea- surements with Nominal Current per VDE 0413
V			200 ¹⁾	
V ~			150 ¹⁾	
MΩ	100 V	1 ΜΩ	50	
	100 V	100 kΩ		3000

¹⁾ Times 0.7 for interface operation

Electromagnetic Compatibility (EMC)

Interference emission EN 61326: May 2004, class B interference immunity EN 61326: May 2004, appendix E

IEC 61000-4-2:Dec. 2001

Feature B: 8 kV atmospheric discharge

4 kV contact discharge

IEC 61000-4-3:Dec. 2001 Feature C: 3 V/m

Electrical Safety

Safety class II per EN 61010-1:2001/VDE 0411-

1:2002

Measuring category II III Nominal voltage 600 V 300 V

Pollution degree 2

Test voltage 3.5 kV~ per EN 61010-1:2001/VDE 0411-

1:2002

Data Interface

Type Optical via infrared light through housing Data transmission Serial, bidirectional (not IrDa compatible)

Protocol Device specific Baud Rate 38,400 baud

Functions – Select/query measuring functions

and parameters

Query momentary measurement data

The **USB** X-TRA plug-in interface adapter (see accessories) is used for adaptation to the PC's USB port.

Fuses

Fuse link FF 1.6 A/700 V AC/DC; 6.3 mm x 32 mm;

switching capacity: 50 kA at 700 V AC/DC; protects the current measurement input in

the 300 µA through 1 A ranges

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Internal Measured Value Storage

Memory capacity 4 MBit / 540 kB for approx. 15,400

measured values with indication of date

and time

Mechanical Design

Housing Impact resistant plastic (ABS)

Dimensions 200 x 87 x 45 mm

(without protective rubber cover)

Weight Approx. 0.35 kg with batteries

Protection Housing: IP 54

(pressure equalization by means of the

housing)

Table Excerpt Regarding Significance of the IP Code

IP XY (1 st digit X)	Protection against foreign object entry	IP XY (2 nd digit Y)	Protection against the penetration of water
0	not protected	0	not protected
1	≥ 50.0 mm dia.	1	vertical falling drops
2	≥ 12.5 mm dia.	2	vertically falling drops with enclosure tilted 15°
3	≥ 2.5 mm dia.	3	spraying water
4	≥ 1.0 mm dia.	4	splashing water
5	dust protected	5	water jets

Order Information

Designation	Туре	Article Number
Cable multimeter, see page 2 for scope of delivery	METRAHIT T-com	M246A
Power supply unit AC 90 \dots 250 V / DC 5 V, 600 V CAT IV	NA X-TRA	Z218G
Accessory cables and adapters	ı	ı
Cable set (1 pair of measuring cables),		
1.2 m, with VDE-GS mark (1000 V CAT III / 600 V CAT IV 16 A)	KS17-2	GTY3620034P0002
Cable set for telecommunication applicati-	NOTI-Z	G113020034F0002
ons for METRAHIT T-COM, 150 V CAT II	KS21T	Z110V
Alligator clips (1 pair) for KS17-2	KY95-1	GTZ3215000R0002
Ri adapter 200 kΩ / 230 V	R200K	Z101A
Clip-on current sensor, 10 mA \dots 100 A, 1 mV / 10 mA, clip opening: 15 mm dia.	WZ12B	Z219B
Accessories for Operation at a PC		
IR-USB bidirectional interface adapter	USB X-TRA	Z216C
Software METRAwin 10	METRAwin 10	GTZ3240000R0001
Accessories for temperature measurem	ent with resistance	thermometer
Pt100 temperature sensor for surface and		
emersion measurements, -40 +600° C	Z3409	GTZ3409000R0001
Pt1000 temperature sensor for	20403	G125403000110001
measurement in gases and liquids,		
−50 +220° C (for servicing household		
appliances)	TF220	Z102A
Pt100 oven sensor, -50 +550 °C	TF550	GTZ3408000R0001
Ten adhesive Pt100 temperature sensors,		
−50 +550 °C	TS Chipset	GTZ3406000R0001
Protection and transport accessories		
Imitation leather carrying pouch	F829	GTZ3301000R0003
Cordura belt pouch	HitBag	Z115A
Ever-ready case for 2 instruments and	тиград	2110/1
accessories	F840	GTZ3302001R0001
Hard case for one instrument and		
accessories	HC20	Z113A
Hard case for two instruments and	11000	71104
accessories	HC30	Z113A
Replacement fuses		
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Fuses (pack of 10)	FF 1.6 A /	

For additional information regarding accessories please see:

- Measuring Instruments and Testers catalog
- www.gossenmetrawatt.com