
DC Characterization of Semiconductor Power Devices

Product Note 4142B-1

Practical Applications Using the
HP4142B Modular DC Source/Monitor

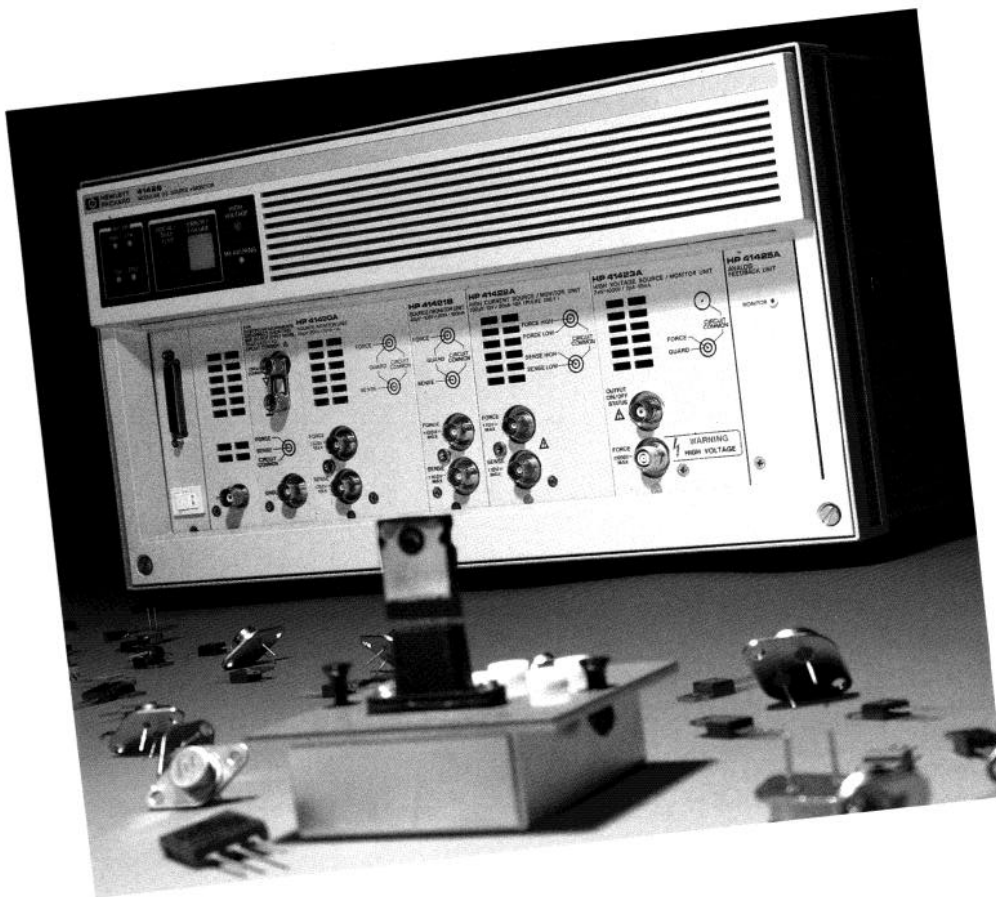


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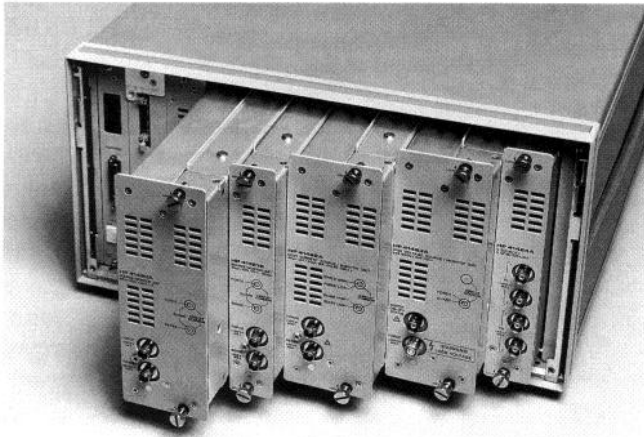
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1. Introduction

The HP 4142B Modular DC Source Monitor is a high speed, highly accurate, computer-controlled dc parametric measurement instrument for characterizing semiconductor devices. This product note uses an HP 4142B to show practical measurement examples that characterize semiconductor power devices.

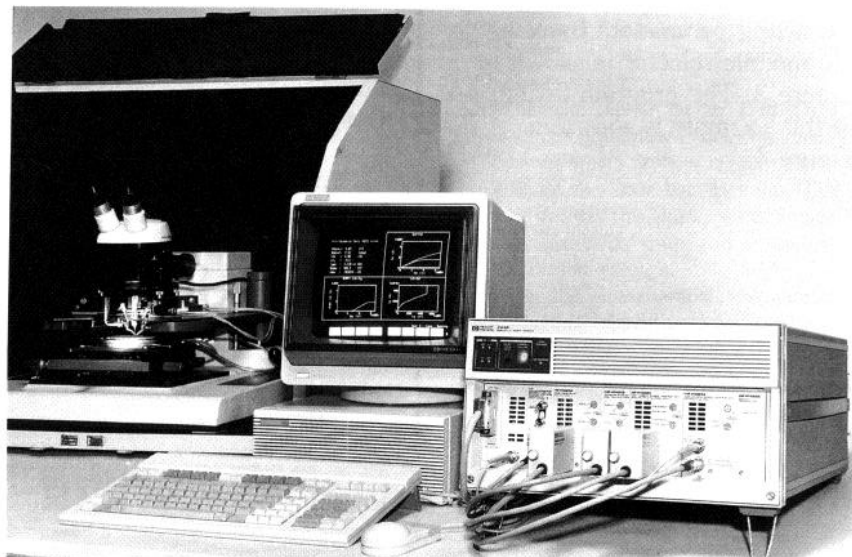
Model number	Acronym	1-V range
HP 41420A Source Monitor Unit	HPSMU	$40\mu\text{V}\sim 200\text{V}$, $20\text{fA}\sim 1\text{A}$
HP 41421B Source Monitor Unit	MPSMU	$40\mu\text{V}\sim 100\text{V}$, $20\text{fA}\sim 100\text{mA}$
HP 41422A High Current Unit	HCU	$40\mu\text{V}\sim 10\text{V}$, $20\mu\text{A}\sim 10\text{A}$
HP 41423A High Voltage Unit	HVU	$2\text{mV}\sim 1000\text{V}$, $2\text{pA}\sim 10\text{mA}$
HP 41424A Voltage Source/Voltage Monitor Unit	VS/VMU	$4\mu\text{V}\sim 40\text{V}$
HP 41425A Analog Feedback Unit	AFU	

Table 1. The HP 4142B plug-in modules



You can mix and match different plug-in modules for unique application requirements.

Example configuration for measurements of devices on a wafer.



2. Application Examples

2.1 Automatic Extraction of Parameters

2.1.1. Automatic Measurements with a Module Selector

When you extract the dc parameters of a power device, you need to change the configuration for almost every parameter since each parameter requires a unique configuration of the instruments and measurement circuit.

However, if the configuration can be changed automatically, the dc parameters can also be extracted automatically.

The HP 16087A Module Selector lets you change the configuration programmatically, thus freeing you from cumbersome configuration changes. This section shows a versatile example for automatically extracting the dc parameters of a MOSFET. The setups needed to extract each parameter are shown in Figure 1. The circuits in Figure 2 are functionally the same as in Figure 1, but electronically different. The setup in Figure 2 uses the module selector to automatically change the configuration.

An example of automatically extracting parameters by using the module selector is shown in Figure 3. The program listing of this example is shown in Figure 4.

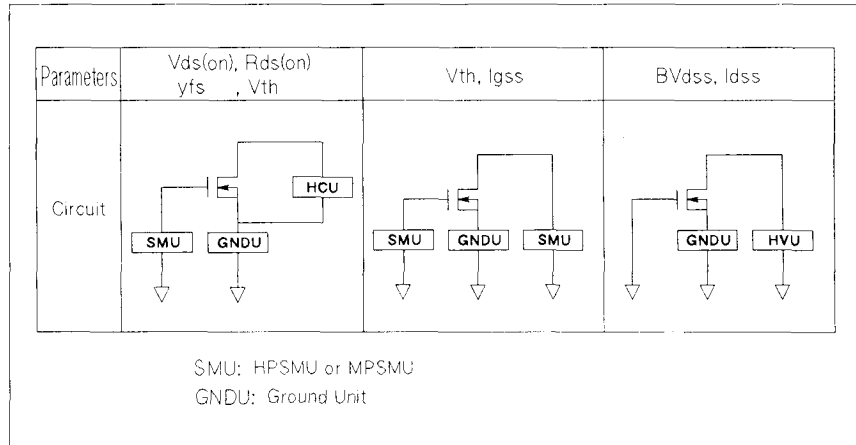


Figure 1. Parameters for MOSFET and measurement circuits

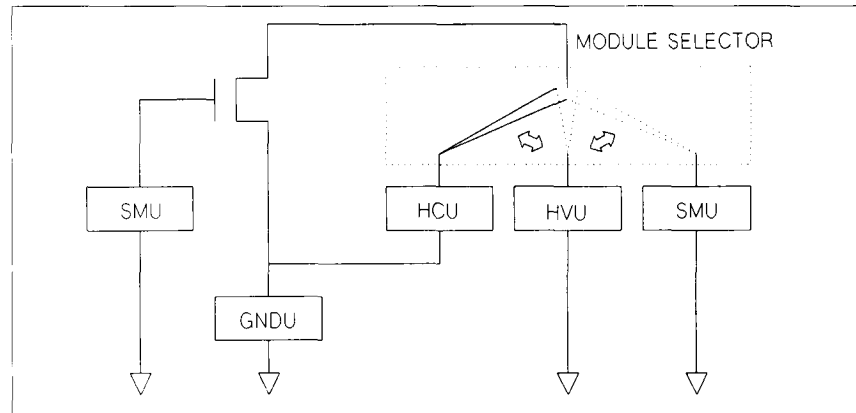


Figure 2. You can easily change the connection of measurement modules with the module selector.

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***** Parameter Measurement (MOS) *****

Vds(on)   =      5.02   (V)   (Id=2A, Vg=15V)   [ HCU ]
Rds(on)   =      2.51   (ohm) (Id=2A, Vg=15V)   [ HCU ]
Vth       =      4.98   (V)   (Vd=10V)         [ HCU ]
Vth (by AFU) = 3.512   (V)   (Vd=10V, Id=1mA)  [ MPSMU ]
yfs       =      .913   (S)                                     [ HCU ]
Igss      =      4.17E-11 (A) (Vg=20V)         [ MPSMU ]
Bvdss    =      493.5   (V)   (Id=10mA)        [ HVU ]
Idss     =      .023216 (A)   (Vd=320V)        [ HVU ]

User 1  Caps  Running
Continue
    
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Figure 3. Sample measurement results for auto extraction of parameters.

Let's examine the benefits of using an HP 4142B to measure each parameter. For the ON state resistance measurement of a power MOSFET, a source of high current and a monitor for high resolution voltage are necessary. The HP 41422A High Current Source/Monitor Unit (HCU) can force a maximum current of 10A and can make high resolution measurements with a minimum voltage of $40\mu\text{V}$. Therefore, the HCU can make precision measurements of the ON state resistance, which is an important parameter of power MOSFETs.

There are several ways to extract the threshold voltage (V_{th}) of a MOSFET. In this example, two methods are used. The first method measures the $\sqrt{I_d}\text{-}V_g$ characteristics, then draws a regression line and extracts as threshold voltage the X-axis value at the cross point of the regression line and the X-axis. The second method is much faster. An HP 41425A Analog Feedback Unit (AFU) and two HP 41421B Source/Monitor Units (SMUs) are connected in a feedback loop. The AFU monitors the output voltage of one SMU, which is connected to the gate of the MOSFET, and monitors the current of the other SMU, which is connected to the drain. When the drain current reaches a user-specified value, the voltage value of the gate (V_{th}) is extracted. V_{th} is usually measured by a combination of a High Power SMU (HPSMU) and a Medium Power SMU (MPSMU).

To measure the leakage current of a high power device, high voltage output and low current

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10  OPTION BASE 1
20  COM /Meas/ @Hp4142, INTEGER Hcu, Hvu, Smu, Hpsmu
30  COM /Disp/ Vth, Vth_afu, Yfs, Igss, Bvdss, Idss, Vdson, Rdson
40  !
50  ASSIGN @Hp4142 TO 723
60  Hpsmu=2    ! slot 2
70  Smu=3     ! slot 3
80  Hcu=5     ! slot 5
90  Hvu=7     ! slot 7
100 !
110 Hcu_connect
120 Vds_on
130 Vth
140 Smu_connect
150 Igss
160 Vth_afu
170 Hvu_connect
180 Idss
190 Bvdss
200 Disp_res_mos
210 END

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50-90 Initialization.

110-130 Connect HCU and measure V_{ds} (on), R_{ds} (on), V_{th} , y_{fs} .

140-160 Connect SMU and measure V_{th} with AFU.

170-190 Connect HVU and measure I_{dss} and BV_{dss} .

Figure 4. Measurement program

measurements are necessary.

The HVU not only forces a maximum voltage of 1000V, but measures current with 2pA resolution.

For breakdown voltage measurements, the HVU has the quasi-pulse measurement mode¹ for precision measurements by minimizing the duration of the breakdown condition.

¹ Quasi-pulse measurement mode

The measurement sequence of this mode follows:

- i) Force current specified by the user as current compliance.
- ii) Monitor the voltage and calculate the voltage slew rate.
- iii) When the Device Under Test (DUT) is in the breakdown condition, the current starts flowing rapidly and the voltage slew rate becomes flat. The unit detects this point, waits a user-specified delay time, and measures the output voltage.
- iv) After the measurement, the output voltage is rapidly returned to the start voltage.

2.1.2. Enhancing Automatic Measurements by External Relay Control

You can open or short the output of the SMU by using the following methods:

OPEN Make the output current 0 A in current force mode.

SHORT Make the output voltage 0 V in voltage force mode.

For example, use these methods to open the base when you measure the BV_{ceo} of a bipolar transistor or to short the gate (grounded) when you measure the BV_{dss} of a MOSFET, without ever having to remove the SMU from the base or the gate. When you measure certain parameters of a bipolar transistor or a MOSFET, the emitter of the bipolar transistor or the source of the MOSFET are usually connected to the ground unit (GNDU) and not to the SMU. Conversely, the connection between the GNDU and the device needs to be open when measuring other parameters, such as I_{cbo} of a bipolar transistor. Opening and shorting the SMU make the configurations trouble-free.

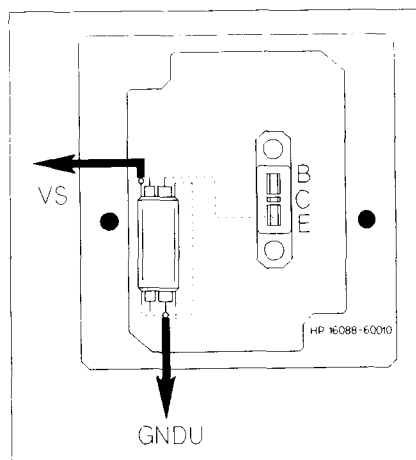


Figure 5. Measurement module

This example shows how to programmatically measure the I_{cbo} parameter of a power bipolar transistor by using an external relay. The example uses the Voltage Source (VS) of a Voltage Source/Voltage Meter Unit (VS/VMU) to control the external relay.

Before the measurement, make a measurement module as shown

in Figure 5 by fixing the relay to the universal module (P/N 16088-60010). The default condition for the external relay is closed. By forcing a specified voltage to the relay from VS, the external relay is opened, and the connection between the GNDU and the emitter is opened. Figure 6 shows the measurement circuit, Figure 7 shows the measurement results,

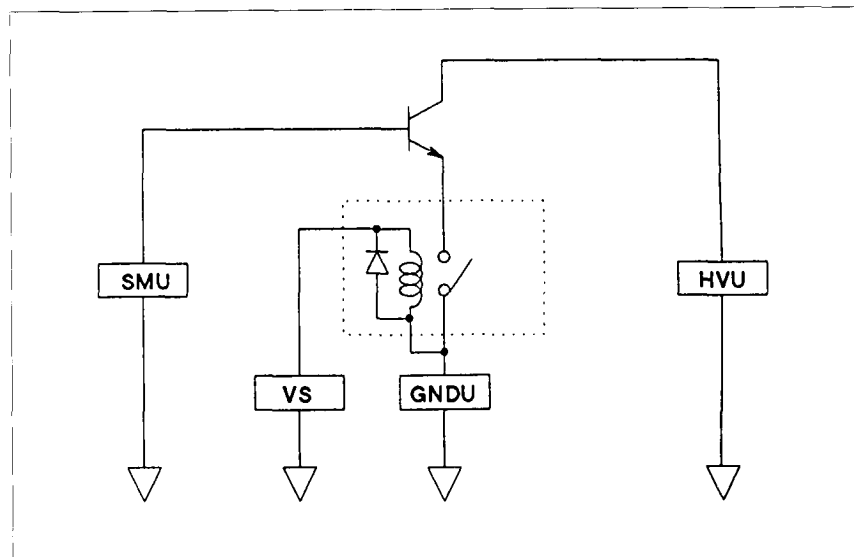


Figure 6. Measurement circuit

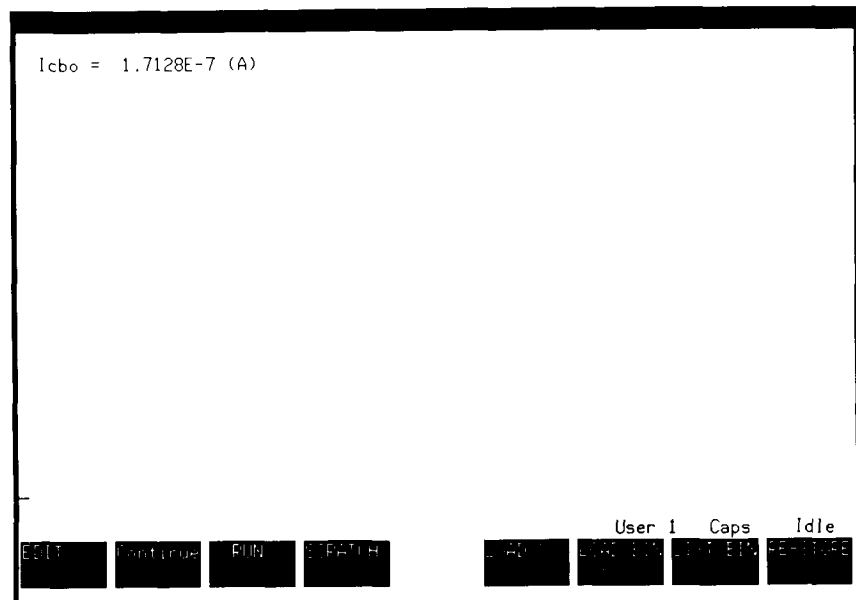


Figure 7. Measurement result

and Figure 8 shows the program. An external relay used with a module selector (as shown in Figure 9) is an easy way to make even more versatile and automatic measurements. For instance, the connection to the GNDU and the transistor emitter can be opened to extract the I_{cbo} parameter of a transistor.

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10  OPTION BASE 1
20  ASSIGN @Hp4142 TO 723
30  Hpsmu=2
40  Hvu=7
50  Vs1=18
60  !
70  Vc=400           ! Vc = 400V
80  Iccomp=.01      ! Ic comp = 10mA
90  V_off=12        ! relay disconnect voltage
100 !
110 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"CN";Hvu,Hpsmu,Vs1
120 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"FMT";5
130 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"DV";Vs1,0,V_off
140 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"DV";Hpsmu,0,0,Iccomp
150 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"DV";Hvu,0,Vc,Iccomp
160 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"MM";1,Hvu
170 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"XE"
180 ENTER @Hp4142 USING "#,3A,12D,X";A$,Icbo
190 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"CL"
200 PRINT "Icbo = ";Icbo;"(A)"
210 END

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20-90 Initialization.

110 Set the output switches of measurement modules to ON.

120 Specify format of the measurement data.

130 Open the relay OPEN by forcing 12 V to the relay from VS.

140 Ground the base.

160-200 Perform the measurement and display the results.

Figure 8. Measurement program

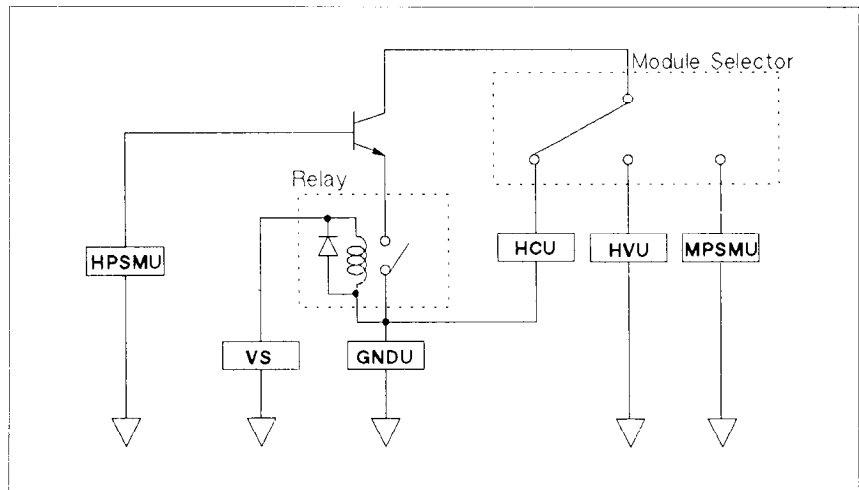


Figure 9. Auto extraction of parameters with external relay and module selector

2.2. Extending the Measurement Range

Since the HP 4142B can programmatically connect an HPSMU, HCU, or HVU to a device pin by using the module selector, you can make very wide-ranged measurements, as shown in the white area of Figure 10. In addition, you can use two HPSMUs, HCU's, or HVU's to extend the measurement range into the range indicated by the diagonal lines in Figure 10.

In this section, the measurement examples for devices that work in the extended voltage/current area of Figure 10 are shown.

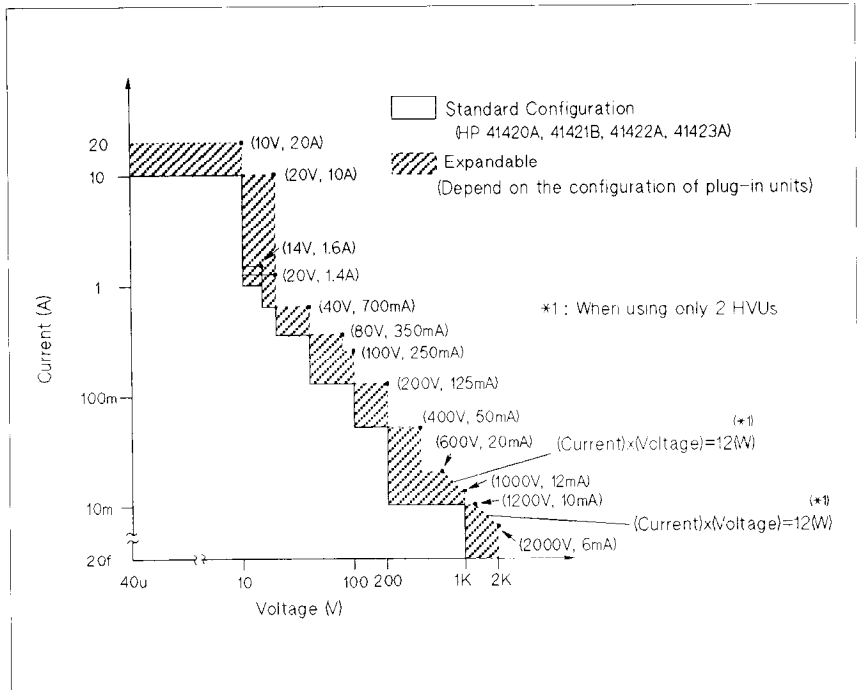


Figure 10. Current and voltage range covered by the HP 4142B.

2.2.1. 2000V Measurement

One HVU can make breakdown tests of up to 1000V. You can increase the maximum voltage to 2000 V by using two HVUs in differential mode. The extended range is shown by diagonal lines in Figure 11. This is very useful for breakdown voltage measurements or current leakage measurements of 800/900V power transistors and SSRs (Solid State relays), both of which are used for switching power lines. This example shows how to measure breakdown voltage of an 800 V power transistor. The measurement result, measurement circuit, and measurement program are shown in Figures 12-14.

One HVU is connected to the collector and the other is connected to the emitter. First, -1000V (BV1) is applied to the emitter. Since the HVU is unipolar, you need to change the polarity of the HVU to negative

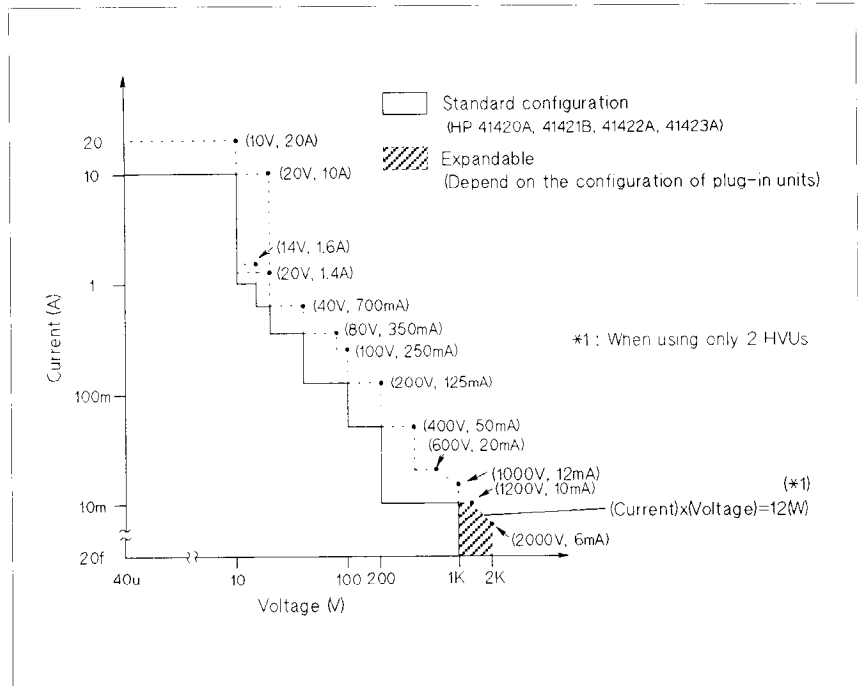


Figure 11. Expanding the current and voltage range with two HVUs in series.

in advance. Second, by using the break down command, a quasi-pulse is applied by the HVU connected to the collector. Then

the voltage at the collector (BV2) is measured. By subtracting BV1 from BV2, you can get the actual breakdown voltage.

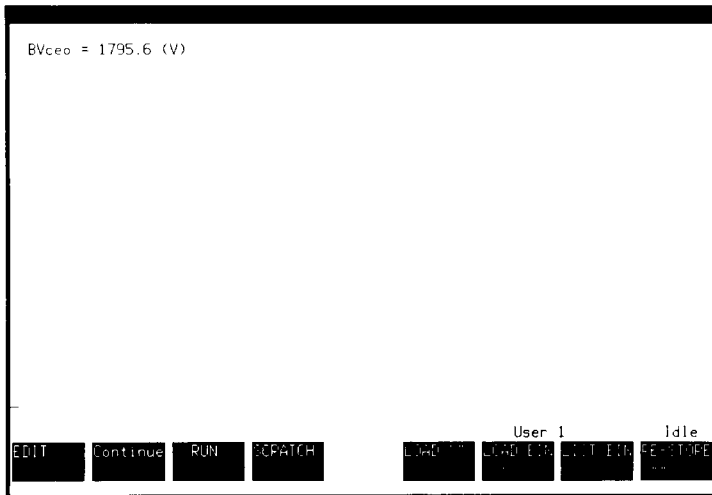


Figure 12. Measurement result

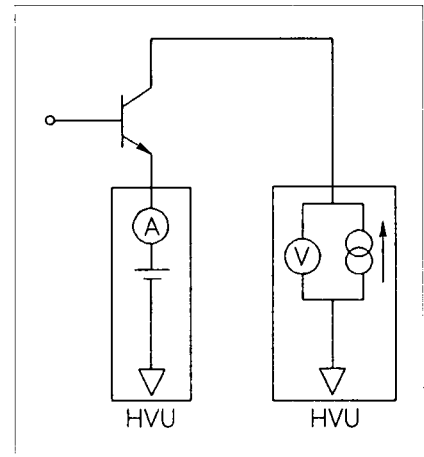


Figure 13. Measurement circuit

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10  OPTION BASE 1
20  ASSIGN @Hp4142 TO 723
30  Hvu1=2      ! slot 2 ! hardware
40  Hvu2=4      ! slot 4 ! set up
50  !
60  Ic=5.0E-3   ! (A)    !
70  Vccomp=1000 ! (V)    ! parameters
80  Iccomp=-Ic  ! (A)    ! initialization
90  Bv1=-1000   ! (V)    !
100 !
110 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"CN";Hvu2,Hvu1
120 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"ERC1,2"
130 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"POL";Hvu1,1
140 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"FMT";5
150 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"MM";9,Hvu2
160 !
170 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"DV";Hvu1,0,Bv1,Iccomp*1.2
180 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"BDT";.2,2
190 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"BDM";1,0
200 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"BDV";Hvu2,0,400,1000,Iccomp
210 !
220 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"XE"
230 ENTER @Hp4142 USING "#,3A,12D,X";A$,Bv2
240 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"CL"
250 !
260 Bvceo=Bv2-Bv1
270 PRINT "PRE=",Bv1,"MEASURE=",Bv2,"STATUS=",A$
280 PRINT " BVceo =";Bvceo;" (V) "
290 !
300 END

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10-90 Initialization.
120 Connect HVU by controlling the module selector.
130 Change the HVU output polarity.
140-150 Specify the format of the measurement data.
170-180 Output -1000V to the emitter and output quasi pulse from the collector.
200-250 Perform the measurement and display results.

Figure 14. Measurement program

2.2.2. 10A/20V Measurement

One HCU can output or measure up to 10A/10V. You can extend this range to 10A/20V by using two HCUs. The extended range is shown by diagonal lines in Figure 15. The extended measurement range makes it possible to evaluate devices that drive dc motors for cars.

This example shows how to measure I_d - V_g characteristics by sweeping V_d from 0V to 20V. The measurement circuit, measurement result, and measurement program are shown in Figures 16-18.

One HVU is connected to the drain and the other is connected to the source, and an SMU is connected to gate. The measurement mode is set to dual pulse sweep measurement mode. The HCU is designed to output only pulse, so to perform a 0V to 20V sweep measurement, the sweep measurement is made two times: 0V to 10V and 10V to 20V.

In the first measurement, the HCU connected to the source forces 0V while the HCU connected to the drain forces sweep outputs varying from 0V to 10V. The I_d parameter is measured in every step.

In the second measurement, each voltage value that was applied to the gate in the first measurement

minus ten volts is applied to the gate. The HCU connected to the drain forces sweep outputs varying from 0V to 10V. This is equivalent to sweeping from 10V

to 20V to the device. By sweeping V_d from 0V to 20V, these two measurements give the I_d - V_d measurement as shown in Figure 17.

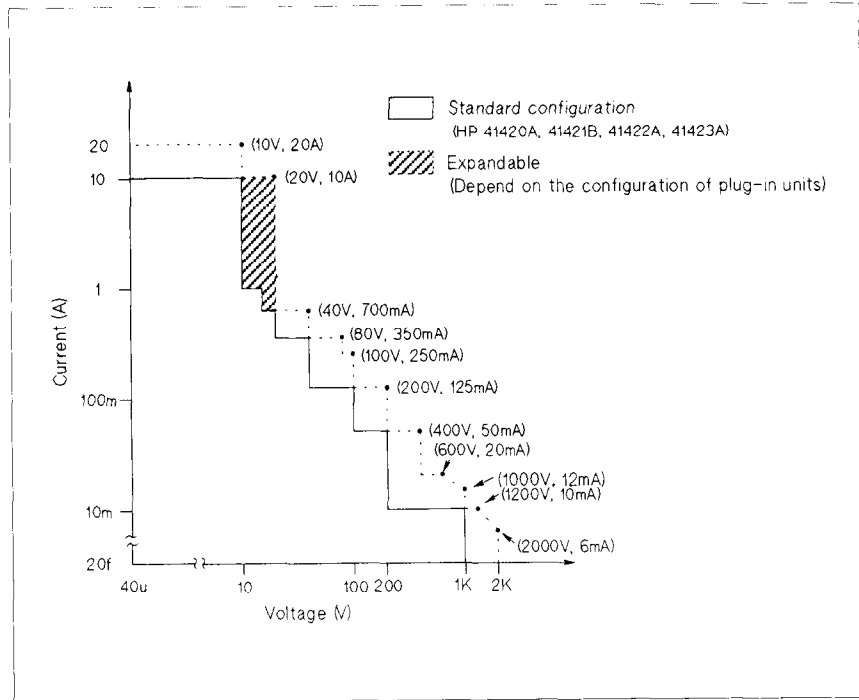


Figure 15. Expanding the current and measurement range with two HCUs in series.

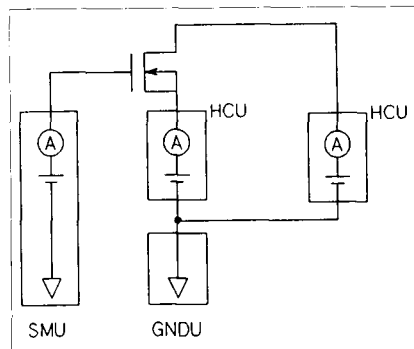


Figure 16. Measurement circuit

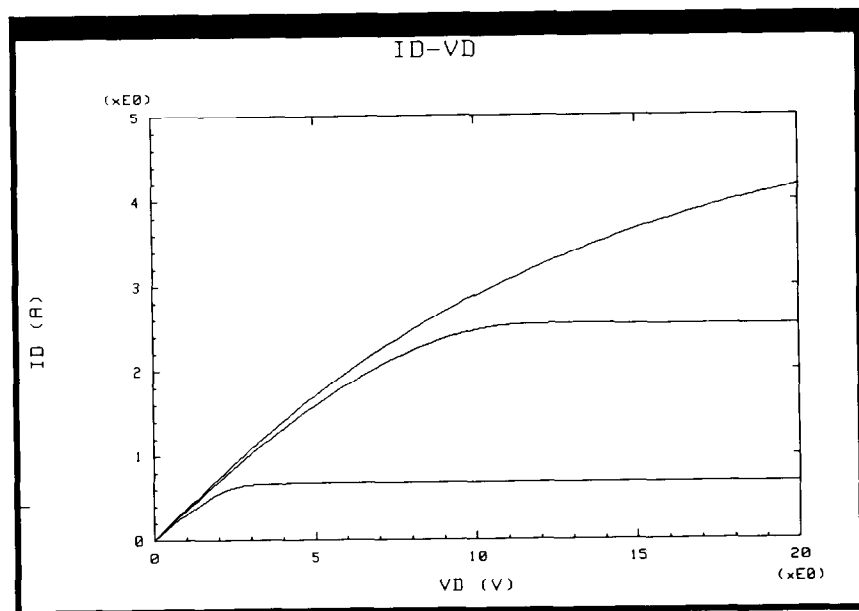


Figure 17. Measurement result

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10  OPTION BASE 1
20  DIM Vd(201),Id(5,201)
30  INTEGER Vd_no_step,Vg_no_step
40  !
50  ASSIGN @Hp4142 TO 723
60  Hcu1=4      ! Drain+
70  Hcu2=8      ! Drain-
80  Smu=6       ! Gate
90  !           ! Source
100 Vs=-10      ! (V)
110 Vd_start=0  ! (V)
120 Vd_stop=10  ! (V)
130 Vd_no_step=51 ! points
140 Id_comp=10  ! (A)
150 Vg_start=6  ! (V)
160 Vg_step=2   ! (V)
170 Vg_no_step=3 ! points
180 Ig_comp=.01 ! (A)
190 P_width=4.00E-4 ! (s)
200 !
210 Vd_step=(Vd_stop-Vd_start)/(Vd_no_step-1)
220 FOR Var1=1 TO Vd_no_step
230   Vd(Var1)=Vd_start+(Var1-1)*Vd_step
240 NEXT Var1
250 !
260 Lingraph(0,20,0,5,"VD (V)","ID (A)","ID-VD",0)
270 !
280 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"CN";Smu,Hcu2,Hcu1
290 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"ERC";1,3
300 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"FMT";5
310 !
320 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"PV";Hcu2,0,0,-.0002,-Idcomp
330 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"MM";3,Hcu2
340 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"XE"
350 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"DZ";Hcu2
360 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"BC"
370 !
380 FOR Var2=1 TO Vg_no_step
390   Vg=Vg_start+Vg_step*(Var2-1)
400   OUTPUT @Hp4142;"DV";Smu,12,Vg,.5
410   FOR Var1=1 TO Vd_no_step
420     OUTPUT @Hp4142;"P $\bar{V}$ ";Hcu1,0,0,Vd(Var1),Id_comp
430     OUTPUT @Hp4142;"PDV";Hcu2,0,0,0,-Id_comp
440     OUTPUT @Hp4142;"PT";0,P_width,2.00E-1
450     OUTPUT @Hp4142;"MM";7,Hcu1
460     OUTPUT @Hp4142;"XE"
470     ENTER @Hp4142 USING "#,3A,12D,X";A$,Id(Var2,Var1)
480     PLOT Vd(Var1),Id(Var2,Var1)
490   NEXT Var1
500   OUTPUT @Hp4142;"DZ";Smu,Hcu1,Hcu2
510   PENUP
520 NEXT Var2
530 !
540 FOR Var2=1 TO Vg_no_step
550   Vg=Vs+Vg_start+Vg_step*(Var2-1)
560   OUTPUT @Hp4142;"D $\bar{V}$ ";Smu,0,Vg,.5
570   FOR Var1=1 TO Vd_no_step
580     OUTPUT @Hp4142;"P $\bar{V}$ ";Hcu1,0,0,Vd(Var1),Id_comp
590     OUTPUT @Hp4142;"PDV";Hcu2,12,0,Vs,-Id_comp
600     OUTPUT @Hp4142;"PT";0,P_width,2.00E-1
610     OUTPUT @Hp4142;"MM";7,Hcu1
620     OUTPUT @Hp4142;"XE"
630     ENTER @Hp4142 USING "#,3A,12D,X";A$,Id(Var2,Var1)
640     PLOT Vd(Var1)+10,Id(Var2,Var1)
650   NEXT Var1
660   PENUP
670 NEXT Var2
680 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"CL"
690 END

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10-240 Initialization.

260 Draw graphic axis with HP 4142B Control software.

280-290 Set the output switches of measurement modules to ON.

320-360 Change the output polarity of the HCU connected to source, by outputting negative voltage.

380-520 Perform first sweep measurement (0-10V)

540-670 Perform second sweep measurement (0-20V)

Figure 18. Measurement program

2.2.3. 20A/10V Measurement

The previous example shows a 10A/20V measurement by two HCUs in series. By using two HCUs in parallel, you can extend the measurement range up to 20A/10V. The measurement range extended by this configuration is shown by diagonal lines in Figure 19.

This example shows how to measure I_c - V_c characteristics of the power bipolar transistor. The I_c parameter can easily exceed 10A. The measurement circuit, measurement result, and measurement program are shown in Figures 20-22.

The HCUs are connected in parallel between the collector and emitter as shown in Figure 20. The measurement mode is set to 2 channel pulsed sweep mode to synchronize the HCUs. The two HCUs are current sources that sweep current values from 0A to 10A. Current from the two HCUs flow into the bipolar transistor, which is equivalent to a sweep from 0A to 20A. By measuring the voltage at the top of either HCU, you can get I_c - V_c characteristics with 20A.

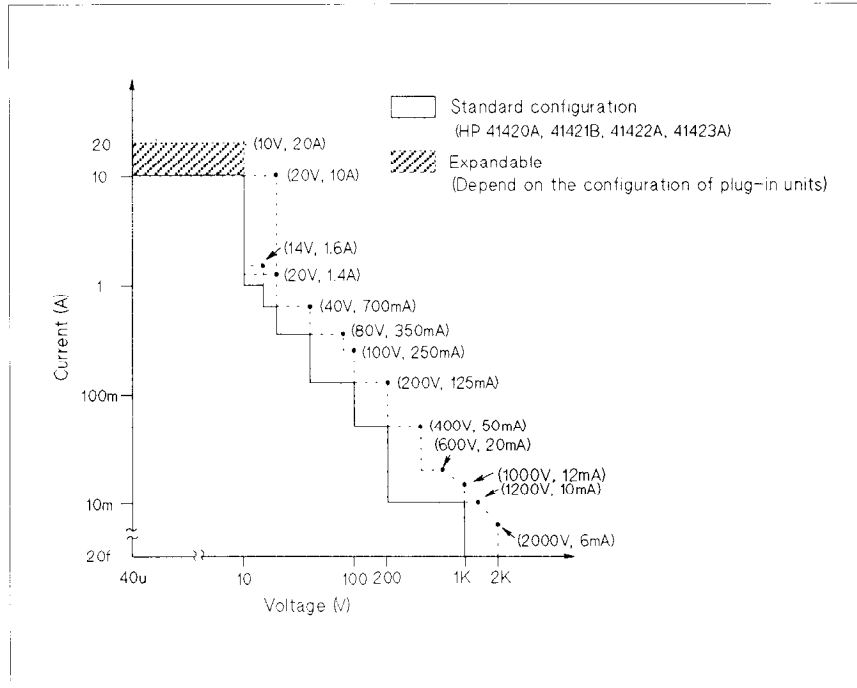


Figure 19. Expanding the current and measurement range with two HCUs in parallel.

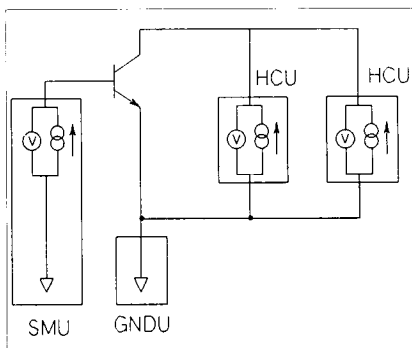


Figure 20. Measurement circuit

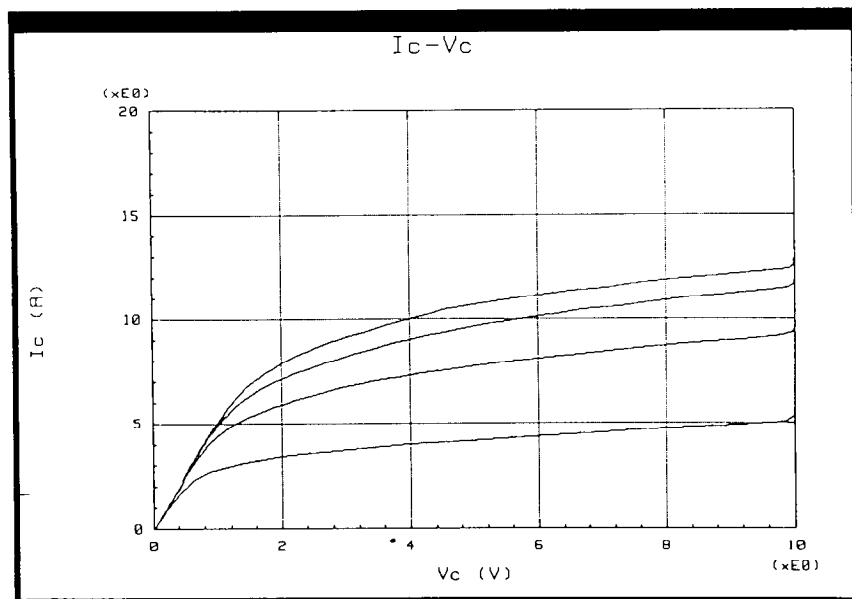


Figure 21. Measurement result

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10  OPTION BASE 1
20  DIM Ic(101),Vc(5,101)
30  INTEGER Vc_no_step,Ib_no_step
40  !
50  ASSIGN @Hp4142 TO 723
60  Hcu1=2      ! Drain
70  Hcu2=4      !
80  Smu=6      ! Gate
90  !          ! Source
100 !
110 Ic_start=0      ! (A)
120 Ic_stop=9       ! (A)
130 Ic_no_step=101  ! points
140 Vc_comp=10      ! (A)
150 Ib_start=3.E-2  ! (A)
160 Ib_step=6.E-2   ! (A)
170 Ib_no_step=4    ! points
180 P_width=1.E-4   ! (s)
190 !
200 Ic_step=(Ic_stop-Ic_start)/(Ic_no_step-1)
210 FOR Var1=1 TO Ic_no_step
220   Ic(Var1)=Ic_start+(Var1-1)*Ic_step
230 NEXT Var1
240 !
250 Lingraph(0,10,0,20,"Vc (V)","Ic (A)","Ic-Vc",1)
260 !
270 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"CN";Hcu1,Hcu2,Smu
280 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"ERC";1,3
290 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"FMT";5
300 FOR Var2=1 TO Ib_no_step
310   Ib=Ib_start+Ib_step*(Var2-1)
320   OUTPUT @Hp4142;"DI";Smu,0,Ib,2
330   FOR Var1=1 TO Ic_no_step
340     OUTPUT @Hp4142;"PDI";Hcu1,0,0,Ic(Var1),Vc_comp
350     OUTPUT @Hp4142;"PI";Hcu2,0,0,Ic(Var1),Vc_comp
360     OUTPUT @Hp4142;"PT";.01,P_width,2.E-2
370     OUTPUT @Hp4142;"MM";7,Hcu1-
380     OUTPUT @Hp4142;"XE"
390     ENTER @Hp4142 USING "#,3A,12D,X";A$,Vc(Var2,Var1)
400     PLOT Vc(Var2,Var1),2*Ic(Var1)
410   NEXT Var1
420   PENUP
430 NEXT Var2
440 !
450 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"CL"
460 END

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Figure 22. Measurement program

10-230 Initialization.

250 Draw graphic axis with HP 4142B Control software.

270-280 Set the output switches of measurement modules to ON.

320 Force current to the base.

330-430 Perform sweep measurement by incrementing the current value which is forced by 2 channel pulse mode.

2.2.4. High Power Measurement (250mA × 100V, 125mA × 200V)

By connecting two HPSMUs in series or in parallel, you can make very high power measurements. This is effective for measuring the channel-on breakdown voltage of EL (Electro Luminescence) and PDP (Plasma Display Panel). The measurement range extended by this configuration is shown by diagonal lines in Figure 23.

This example shows how to measure Id-Vd characteristics in the high power measurement range by connecting two HCU's in parallel. The measurement circuit, measurement results, and measurement program are shown in Figure 24-26.

The white area inside the broken lines in Figure 25 shows the measurement range that can be covered with one HCU. Using two HPSMUs lets you extend the measurement range into the area indicated by diagonal lines.

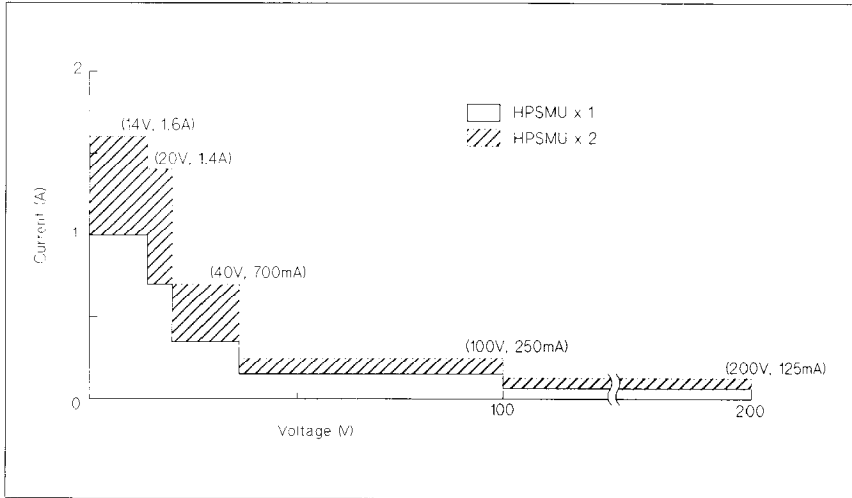


Figure 23. Expanding the current and measurement range with two HPSMUs in parallel.

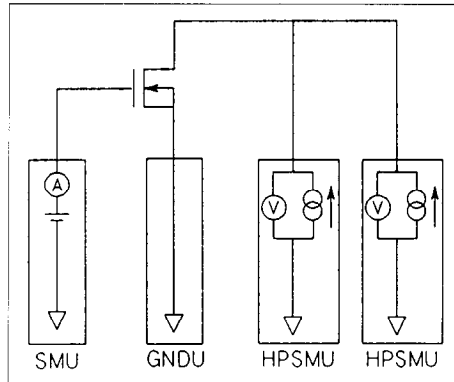


Figure 24. Measurement circuit

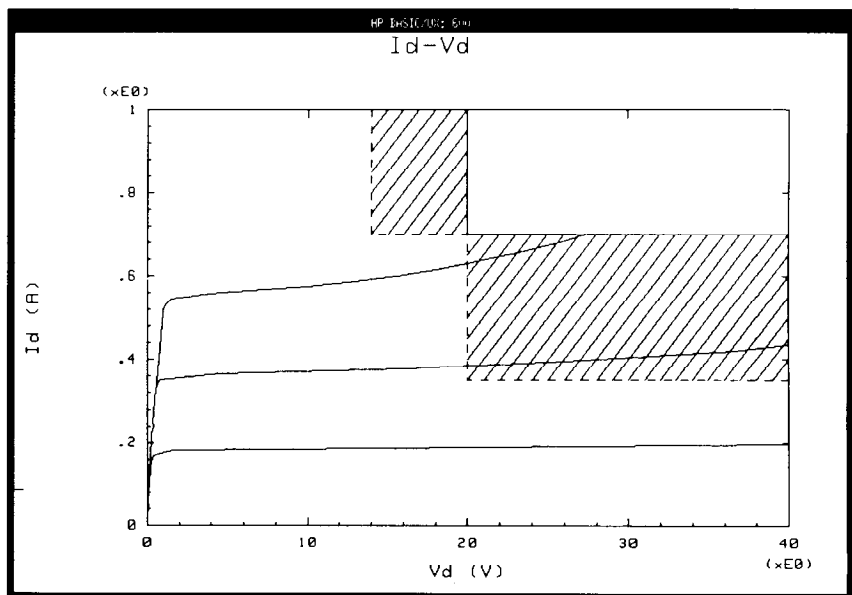


Figure 25. Measurement result

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10  OPTION BASE 1
20  DIM Id(101),Vd(3,101)
30  INTEGER Id_no_step,Vg_no_step
40  !
50  ASSIGN @Hp4142 TO 723
60  Hpsmu1=2      ! Drain
70  Hpsmu2=7      ! Drain
80  Mpsmu=3       ! Gate
90  !
100 Id_start=0    ! (A)
110 Id_stop=.35   ! (A)
120 Id_no_step=101 ! points
130 Vd_comp=40    ! (V)
140 Vg_start=4    ! (V)
150 Vg_step=.1    ! (V)
160 Vg_no_step=3  ! points
170 Ig_comp=.1    ! (A)
180 !
190 Id_step=(Id_stop-Id_start)/(Id_no_step-1)
200 FOR Var1=1 TO Id_no_step
210   Id(Var1)=Id_start+(Var1-1)*Id_step
220 NEXT Var1
230 !
240 Lingraph(0,40,0,1,"Vd (V)","Id (A)","Id-vd",0)
250 !
260 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"CN";Hpsmu1,Hpsmu2
270 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"FMT";5
280 FOR Var2=1 TO Vg_no_step
290   Vg=Vg_start+Vg_step*(Var2-1)
300   OUTPUT @Hp4142;"CN";Mpsmu
310   OUTPUT @Hp4142;"DV";Mpsmu,0,Vg,Ig_comp
320   FOR Var1=1 TO Id_no_step
330     OUTPUT @Hp4142;"DI";Hpsmu1,0,Id(Var1),Vd_comp
340     OUTPUT @Hp4142;"DI";Hpsmu2,0,Id(Var1),Vd_comp
350     OUTPUT @Hp4142;"MM";1,Hpsmu2
360     OUTPUT @Hp4142;"XE"
370     ENTER @Hp4142 USING "#,3A,12D,X";A$,Vd(Var2,Var1)
380     PLOT Vd(Var2,Var1),2*Id(Var1)
390   NEXT Var1
400   OUTPUT @Hp4142;"DZ";Mpsmu
410   PENUP
420 NEXT Var2
430 !
440 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"CL"
450 END

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Figure 26. Measurement program

10-220 Initialization

- 240 Draw graphic axis with HP 4142B Control software.
- 280-310 Force specified voltage to the gate.
- 320-390 Perform sweep measurement by incrementing the current that is forced to the drain.

Appendix

Subprograms used in 2.1.1

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230 Hcu_connect:SUB Hcu_connect
240   COM /Meas/ @Hp4142,INTEGER Hcu,Hvu,Smu,Hpsmu
250   OUTPUT @Hp4142;"CN";Hcu,Hpsmu
260   OUTPUT @Hp4142;"ERC";1,3
270   SUBEND
280   !
290 Smu_connect:SUB Smu_connect
300   COM /Meas/ @Hp4142,INTEGER Hcu,Hvu,Smu,Hpsmu
310   OUTPUT @Hp4142;"CN";Smu,Hpsmu
320   OUTPUT @Hp4142;"ERC";1,1
330   SUBEND
340   !
350 Hvu_connect:SUB Hvu_connect
360   COM /Meas/ @Hp4142,INTEGER Hcu,Hvu,Smu,Hpsmu
370   OUTPUT @Hp4142;"CN";Hvu,Hpsmu !,Hpsmu
380   OUTPUT @Hp4142;"ERC";1,2
390   SUBEND
400   !
410 vds_on:SUB Vds_on
420   COM /Meas/ @Hp4142,INTEGER Hcu,Hvu,Smu,Hpsmu
430   COM /Disp/ Vth,Vth_afu,Yfs,Igss,Bvdss,Idss,Vdson,Rdson
440   !
450   Vg=15           ! (V)
460   Igcomp=.01     ! (A)
470   Id=2           ! (A)
480   Vdcomp=10     ! (V)
490   !
500   OUTPUT @Hp4142;"FL";0,Hpsmu
510   OUTPUT @Hp4142;"FMT";5
520   OUTPUT @Hp4142;"PDI";Hcu,0,0,Id,Vdcomp
530   OUTPUT @Hp4142;"FL";0,Hpsmu
540   OUTPUT @Hp4142;"PT";0,5.0E-4,5.0E-2
550   OUTPUT @Hp4142;"PV";Hpsmu,0,0,Vg
560   OUTPUT @Hp4142;"MM";7,Hcu
570   OUTPUT @Hp4142;"XE"
580   OUTPUT @Hp4142;"DZ"
590   ENTER @Hp4142 USING "#,3A,12D,X";A$,Vdson
600   Rdson=Vdson/Id
610   SUBEND
620   !
630 Vth:SUB Vth
640   COM /Disp/ Vth,Vth_afu,Yfs,Igss,Bvdss,Idss,Vdson,Rdson
650   COM /Meas/ @Hp4142,INTEGER Hcu,Hvu,Smu,Hpsmu
660   DIM Vg(101),Sqrt_id(101),Id(101)
670   INTEGER Vd_no_step
680   !
690   Vd=10           ! (V)
700   Id_comp=5      ! (A)
710   Vg_start=0     ! (V)
720   Vg_stop=10     ! (V)
730   Vg_no_step=101 ! points
740   P_width=1.E-4 ! (s)
750   !
760   Vg_step=(Vg_stop-Vg_start)/(Vg_no_step-1)
770   FOR Var1=1 TO Vg_no_step
780     Vg(Var1)=Vg_start+(Var1-1)*Vg_step
790   NEXT Var1
800   !
810   OUTPUT @Hp4142;"FMT";5
820   OUTPUT @Hp4142;"PDV";Hcu,0,0,Vd,Id_comp
830   OUTPUT @Hp4142;"FL";0,Hpsmu
840   OUTPUT @Hp4142;"PT";0,P_width,2.E-2
850   OUTPUT @Hp4142;"MM";8,Hcu
860   OUTPUT @Hp4142;"PWV";Hpsmu,1,0,0,Vg_start,Vg_stop,Vg_no_step,.1
870   OUTPUT @Hp4142;"PT";0,P_width,1.E-2
880   OUTPUT @Hp4142;"XE"
890   OUTPUT @Hp4142;"DZ"
900   !
910   FOR Var1=1 TO Vg_no_step
920     ENTER @Hp4142 USING "#,3A,12D,X";A$,Id(Var1)
930     Sqrt_id(Var1)=SQRT(ABS(Id(Var1)))
940   NEXT Var1
950   !
960   N=45
970   Rline(N,Vg(*),Sqrt_id(*),A,B,K)
980   Vth=-A/B
990   Rline(N,Vg(*),Id(*),A,B,K)
1000  Yfs=1/B
1010  SUBEND
1020  !
1030  Igss:SUB Igss

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230-270 Connect HCU to drain
        and HPSMU to gate.
290-330 Connect MPSMU to
        drain and HPSMU to
        gate.
350-390 Connect HVU to drain
        and HPSMU to gate.
410     Measures Vds (on) and
        Rds (on).
450-480 Define the parameters.
500-590 Measure Vds (on) by
        spot measurement.
600     Calculate Rds (on).
630     Measures Vth and yfs.
690-740 Define parameters.
760-790 Calculate Vg sweep
        voltages.
810-890 Measure Id-Vg charac-
        teristics by 2 channel
        pulsed sweep meas-
        urement.
910-930 Calculate  $\sqrt{Id}$  values.
960-1000 Calculate Vth and yfs.
1030    Measures Igss.

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1040 COM /Meas/ @Hp4142, INTEGER Hcu, Hvu, Smu, Hpsmu
1050 COM /Disp/ Vth, Vth_afu, Yfs, Igss, Bvdss, Idss, Vdson, Rdson
1060 !
1070 Vg=20 ! Vg+ (V)
1080 Ig_comp=1.E-4 ! 100(uA)
1090 Vd=0 ! (V)
1100 Idcomp=1.E-4 ! 100(uA)
1110 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"FMT";5
1120 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"DV";Hpsmu, 12, Vg
1130 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"DV";Smu, 0, 0
1140 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"MM";1, Hpsmu
1150 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"XE"
1160 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"DZ"
1170 ENTER @Hp4142 USING "#, 3A, 12D, X";A$, Igss
1180 SUBEND
1190 !
1200 Vth_afu:SUB Vth_afu
1210 COM /Meas/ @Hp4142, INTEGER Hcu, Hvu, Smu, Hpsmu
1220 COM /Disp/ Vth, Vth_afu, Yfs, Igss, Bvdss, Idss, Vdson, Rdson
1230 !
1240 Vg_start=2 ! (V)
1250 Vg_stop=10 ! (V)
1260 Vg_rate=2000 ! (V/s)
1270 Igcomp=1.E-5 ! (A)
1280 Vd=10 ! (V)
1290 Id_target=.001 ! (A)
1300 Idcomp=.01 ! (A)
1310 Integ_time=4.5E-4 ! (s)
1320 Delay_time=1.E-4 ! (s)
1330 !
1340 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"ASV";Hpsmu, Vg_start, Vg_stop, Vg_rate, Igcomp
1350 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"AVI";Smu, Vd, Id_target, Idcomp
1360 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"ASM";1, 1, Integ_time
1370 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"AT";0, Delay_time
1380 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"FMT";5
1390 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"MM";6
1400 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"XE"
1410 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"DZ"
1420 ENTER @Hp4142 USING "#, 3A, 12D, X";A$, Vth_afu
1430 SUBEND
1440 !
1450 Idss:SUB Idss
1460 COM /Meas/ @Hp4142, INTEGER Hcu, Hvu, Smu, Hpsmu
1470 COM /Disp/ Vth, Vth_afu, Yfs, Igss, Bvdss, Idss, Vdson, Rdson
1480 !
1490 Vd=320 ! (V)
1500 Idcomp=1.0E-2 ! (A)
1510 !
1520 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"FMT";5
1530 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"MM";1, Hvu
1540 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"DV";Hvu, 0, 0, Idcomp
1550 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"DV";Hpsmu, 0, 0, Idcomp
1560 WAIT 1.5
1570 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"DV";Hvu, 0, Vd, Idcomp
1580 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"XE"
1590 ENTER @Hp4142 USING "#, 3A, 12D, X";A$, Idss
1600 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"DZ"
1610 SUBEND
1620 !
1630 Bvdss:SUB Bvdss
1640 COM /Meas/ @Hp4142, INTEGER Hcu, Hvu, Smu, Hpsmu
1650 COM /Disp/ Vth, Vth_afu, Yfs, Igss, Bvdss, Idss, Vdson, Rdson
1660 !
1670 Id=1.0E-2 ! (A)
1680 Vdcomp=600 ! (V)
1690 !
1700 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"FMT";5
1710 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"MM";1, Hvu
1720 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"DV";Hvu, 0, 0, 1.E-2
1730 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"DV";Hpsmu, 0, 0, 1.E-2
1740 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"DI";Hvu, 0, Id, Vdcomp
1750 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"XE"
1760 ENTER @Hp4142 USING "#, 3A, 12D, X";A$, Bvdss
1770 OUTPUT @Hp4142;"CL"
1780 SUBEND
1790 !
1800 Disp_res_mos:SUB Disp_res_mos
1810 COM /Disp/ Vth, Vth_afu, Yfs, Igss, Bvdss, Idss, Vdson, Rdson
1820 COM /Lp st/ INTEGER Lp_status, Loop_wait
1830 OUTPUT 2 USING "#, K";" K"
1840 PRINT "***** Parameter Measurement (MOS) *****"
1850 PRINT

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1070-1100 Define parameters.
1110-1170 Measure Igss by spot measurement.
1200 Measures Vth with AFU.
1240-1320 Define parameters.
1340-1420 Measure Vth by analog feedback measurement.
1450 Measures Idss.
1490-1500 Define parameters.
1520-1600 Measure Idss by spot measurement.
1630 Measures Bvdss.
1670-1680 Define parameters.
1700-1770 Measure Bvdss by spot measurement.
1800-1950 Display measurement results.

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1860 PRINT " Vds(on)      =",Vdson;"(V)      (Id=2A, Vg=15V) [ HCU ]"
1870 PRINT " Rds(on)      =",Rdson;"(ohm)     (Id=2A, Vg=15V) [ HCU ]"
1880 PRINT " Vth          =",DROUND(Vth,5);"(V)      (Vd=10V) [ HCU ]"
1890 PRINT " Vth (by AFU) =",Vth_afu;"(V)      (Vd=10V, Id=1mA) [ MPSMU ]"
1900 PRINT " yfs          =",DROUND(Yfs,5);"(S)      [ HCU ]"
1910 PRINT " Igss         =",Igss;"(A)      (Vg=20V) [ MPSMU ]"
1920 PRINT " Bvdss        =",Bvdss;"(V)      (Id=10mA) [ HVU ]"
1930 PRINT " Idss         =",Idss;"(A)      (Vd=320V) [ HVU ]"
1940 PRINT
1950 SUBEND
1960 !
1970 Rline:SUB Rline(N,X1(*),Y1(*),A,B,K)
1980 OPTION BASE 1
1990 REAL X(5),Y(5)
2000 R2=0
2010 K=N
2020 WHILE R2<.9995 AND K<93
2030 X(1)=X1(K)
2040 X(2)=X1(K+2)
2050 X(3)=X1(K+4)
2060 X(4)=X1(K+6)
2070 Y(1)=Y1(K)
2080 Y(2)=Y1(K+2)
2090 Y(3)=Y1(K+4)
2100 Y(4)=Y1(K+6)
2110 Least(X(*),Y(*),A,B,R2)
2120 K=K+6
2130 END WHILE
2140 SUBEND
2150 !
2160 Least:SUB Least(X(*),Y(*),A,B,R2)
2170 OPTION BASE 1
2180 C=0 ! return value !
2190 D=0 ! A : !
2200 E=0 ! B : gradient !
2210 F=0 ! R2: !
2220 G=0
2230 FOR I=1 TO 4
2240 C=C+X(I)
2250 D=D+Y(I)
2260 E=E+X(I)*X(I)
2270 F=F+Y(I)*Y(I)
2280 G=G+X(I)*Y(I)
2290 NEXT I
2300 A=(E*D-C*G)/(4*E-C*C)
2310 B=(4*G-C*D)/(4*E-C*C)
2320 R2=(A*D+B*G-D*D/4)/(F-D*D/4)
2330 SUBEND

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1970-2140 Draw regression lines from every measurement point, find steepest line, and calculate line parameters.

2160-2300 Perform least square method and calculate parameters.



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