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«Pack TBR21» Presentation

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Presentation

The TBR21 «pack» is a hardware + software set offering the possibility of testing a telephony terminal in accordance with the different paragraphs of the ETSI **TBR21** standard. The software enables account to be taken of **ATAAB** (Analog Type Approval Advisory Board) requirements specific to certain countries. If required, the **EN 301 437** Standard (and so the **TBR37**) for terminals requiring a minimum line current can be applied.

The MT2 range of test and measuring equipment and especially the PA100 feeding bridge in the heart of the device, allows tests of the TBR21 standard. In order to facilitate the engineer working, MT2 offers a «tunkey» solution. It save wiring and permit measurement report edition. This aspect is important for manufacturers who must auto-certify their products for European regulation.

Operating principle

See the schematic opposite.

Two standard equipment are used : A GS100 ringing generator and a PA100 feeding bridge. These equipment are remote controlled by a PC fitted with 2 RS232 port.

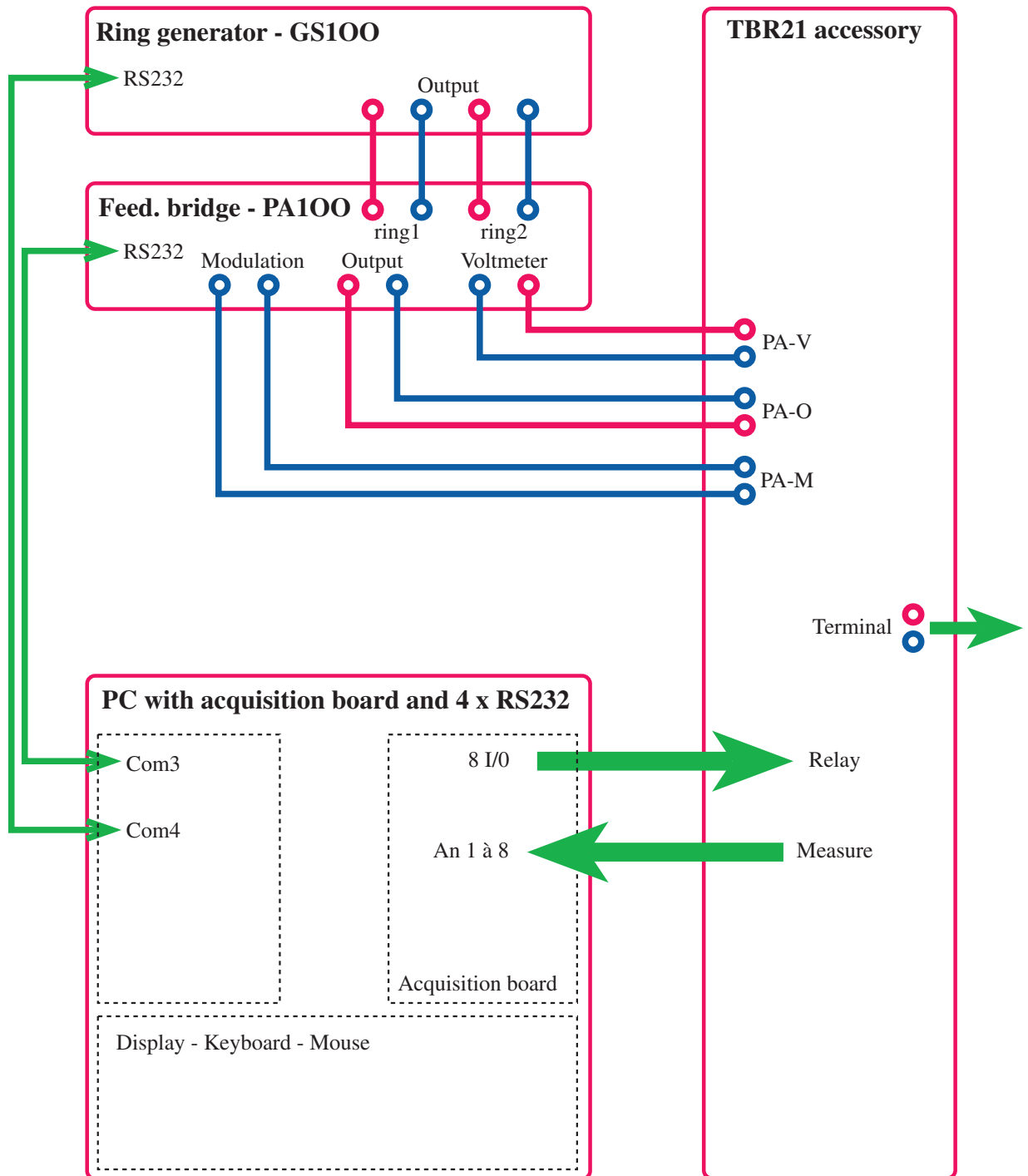
Ringing generator is connected to the feeding bridge. The feeding bridge is connected to the measurement accessory : Output (PA-O) and Modulation (PA-M).

The PC is also fitted with an acquisition board (National Instrument). This board is mainly used for dynamic measurement and for the control of the specific “TBR21 accessory” equipment.

The terminal under test is connected to the TBR21 accessory. Then, the suitable measurement circuit is established regarding about the paragraph of the standard. The human interface is friendly and all the necessary items for a good trace of the test are provided (date, tested terminal, operator, measurement results, verdict, etc.).



Schematic





TBR21 Accessory - Measuring circuits

In the higher part of the schematic, the output of the feeding bridge is connected to the terminal output through 2 current shunts. These shunts can be bypassed when they are not used. Two resistances allow to increase the line resistance over the 20 000 Ohms capability of the feeding bridge. Relays R2 and R3 allow opening circuit or making a short circuit of the terminal.

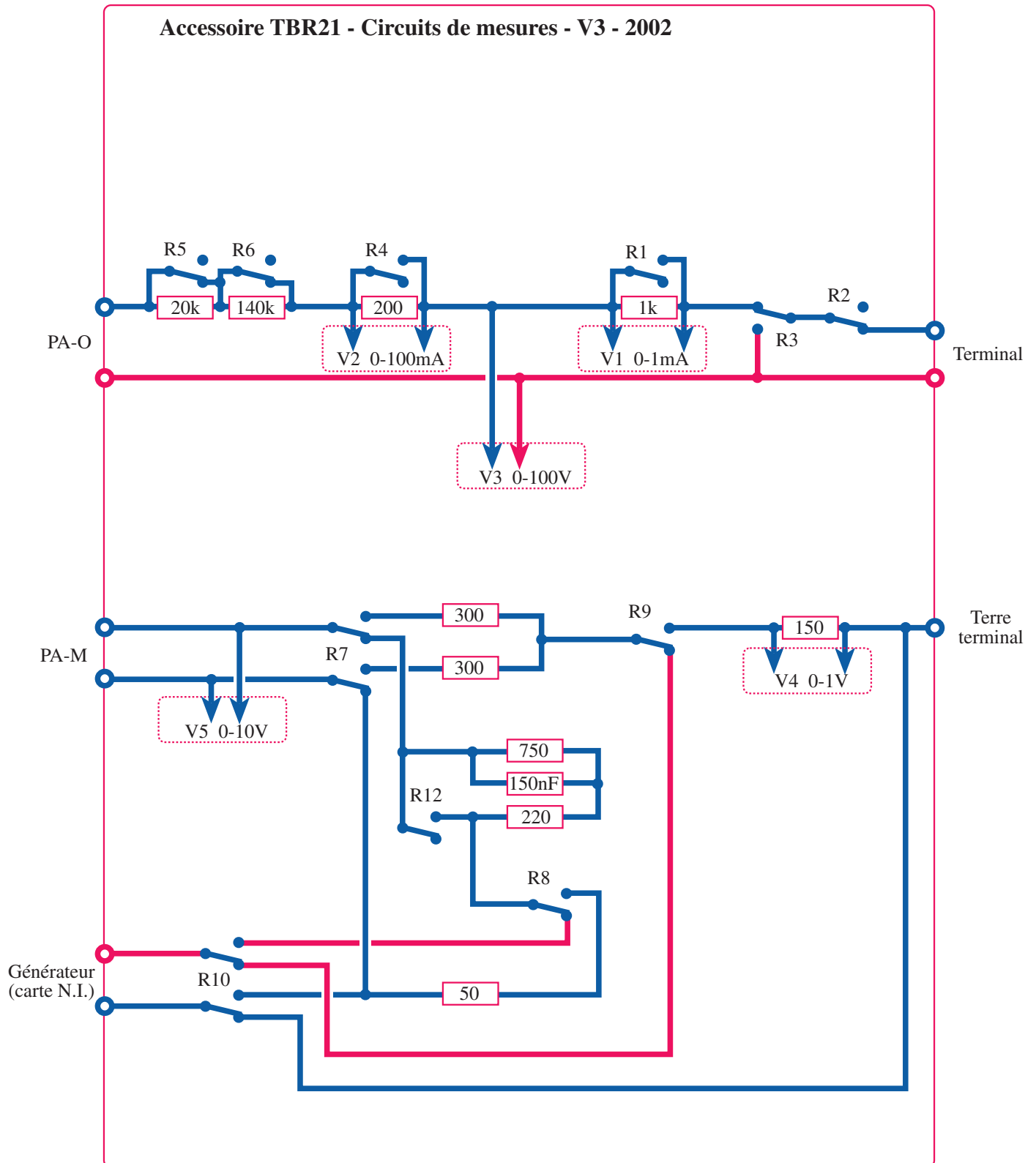
Modulation input of the feeding bridge can be connected on a balanced load (2 x 300 Ω) or Zref impedance. The 270 Ω resistance of Zref is made with 220 Ω + 50 Ω . The 50 Ω are made either by a resistance when Zref is only a load, or by the generator output when the generator must be used (R8).

Different schematics of the standard can be realised using the relays. This is possible because all the voltmeters are floating.

V1 to V5 measurements are done using instrumentation amplifiers with galvanic isolation, except V5 used for Measurements up to 200KHz. Antialiasing filters are used for good measurements. The schematic shown is a simplified version (for example all the impedances are balanced ...).



Accessoire TBR21 - Circuits de mesures - V3 - 2002





Software

Main points of the Pack TBR21 software are :

- Easy to use. Simple and intuitive : no menus, the commands are accessible by a simple click and buttons are placed for a logic use.
- Storing and security of datas. Measurement can be stored and then, they cannot be modified. It is also possible to work on different terminals, datas are stored in different folders (one for each terminal).
- Report generation : Each folder can be printed with creation of an index and numbering of the pages.
- Quick and quality of measurements. Different measurements have been validated by both our internal measurement and partnership with some of our customers.
- Free mode enables measurement with modified parameters compared to TBR21. This enables to make investigation and is very useful for perfecting a prototype for example.

The different screen copies shown illustrate how these points are taken into account.



The main screen give access to the different paragraphs and inform on the stus of measurements :

Commands that appear on all screens

Utilisation mode - Name of the tested device - Operator - Loading, printing or saving a measurement

The screenshot shows the 'List of tests' window. At the top, there are buttons for 'TBR21', 'Free mode', 'Debug', and 'G.G.'. Below these are buttons for 'Load Test', 'Print', and 'Save'. The main area displays a list of tests under the heading 'ATAAB DE 04 / GR.04'. Each test item has a colored square icon indicating its status: green for 'Passed', red for 'Failed', and blue for 'Free Mode'. Some tests have text boxes next to them containing specific values or codes, such as '4.4.1 DC resistance' with '4.4. ATAAB P03' and '4.7.1 DC characteristics' with '4.7.1 + ATAAB AN12'. A legend on the right side explains the color coding: a grey square for 'No ty', a green square for 'Passed', a red square for 'Failed', and a blue square for 'Free Mode'. Below the legend is a 'General Progress' bar and the version number 'TBR21 - Soft v1.31'.

Done measurements Good/Bad/Free mode

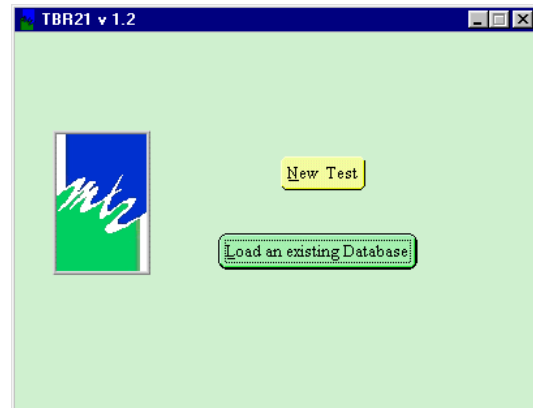
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Not done measurement

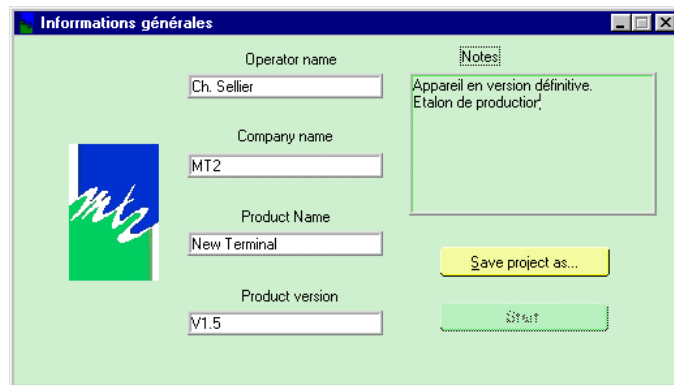


Switching On

At the switching on , you have the choice between an existing or a new folder :



If a new folder is asked :



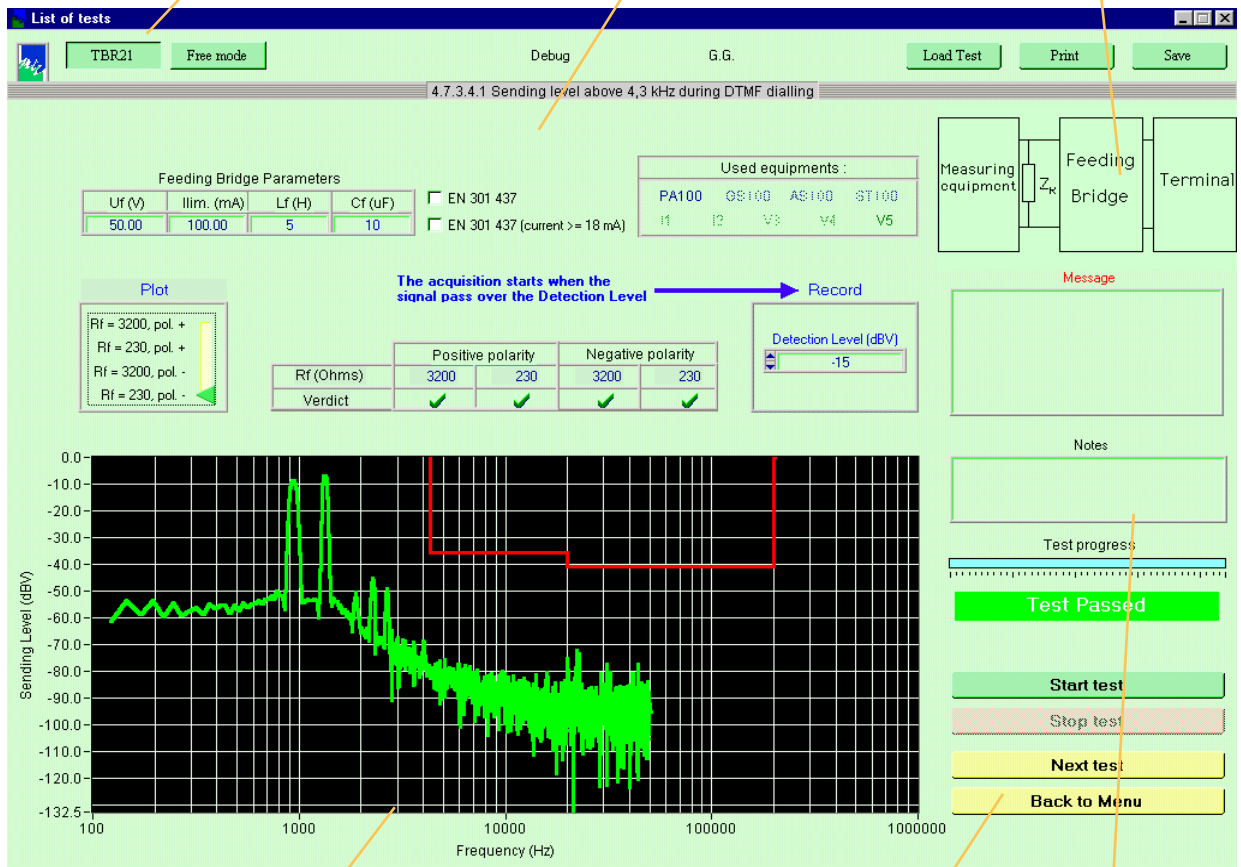


Measurement screens

For each paragraph a specific screen is proposed.

TBR21 or free mode

Equipments used and TBR21 schematic



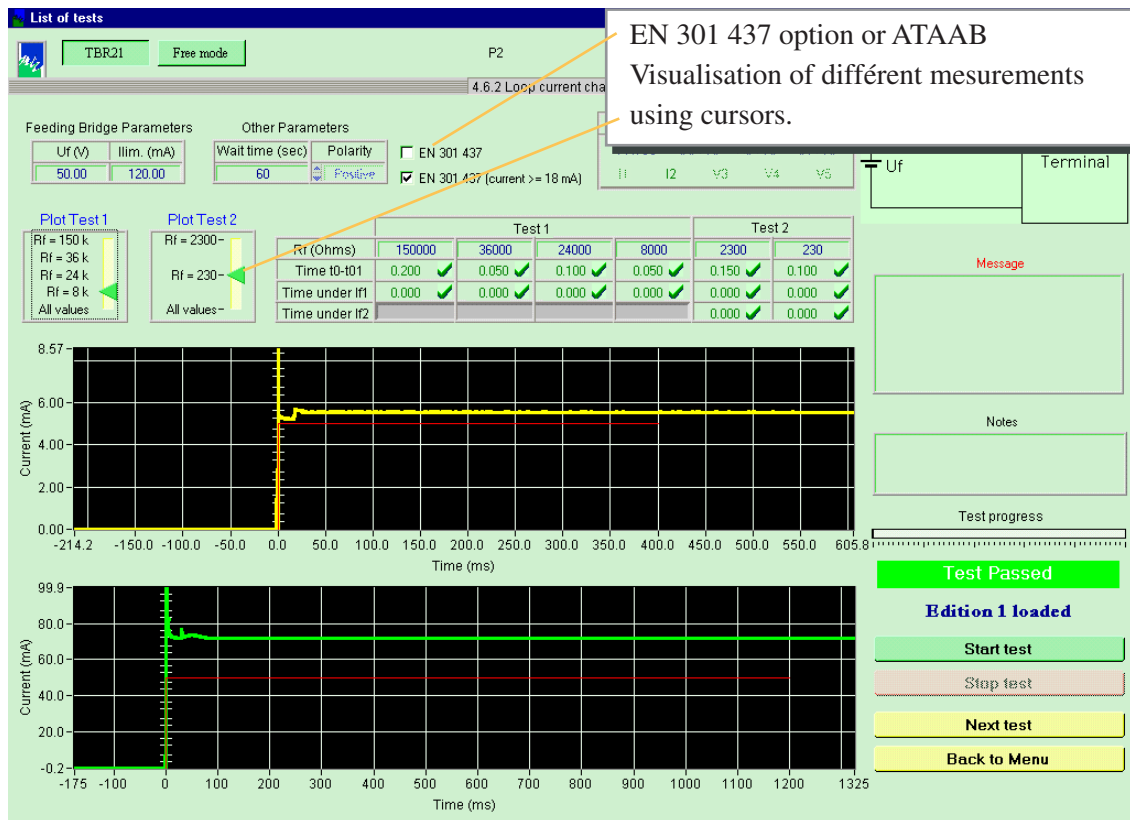
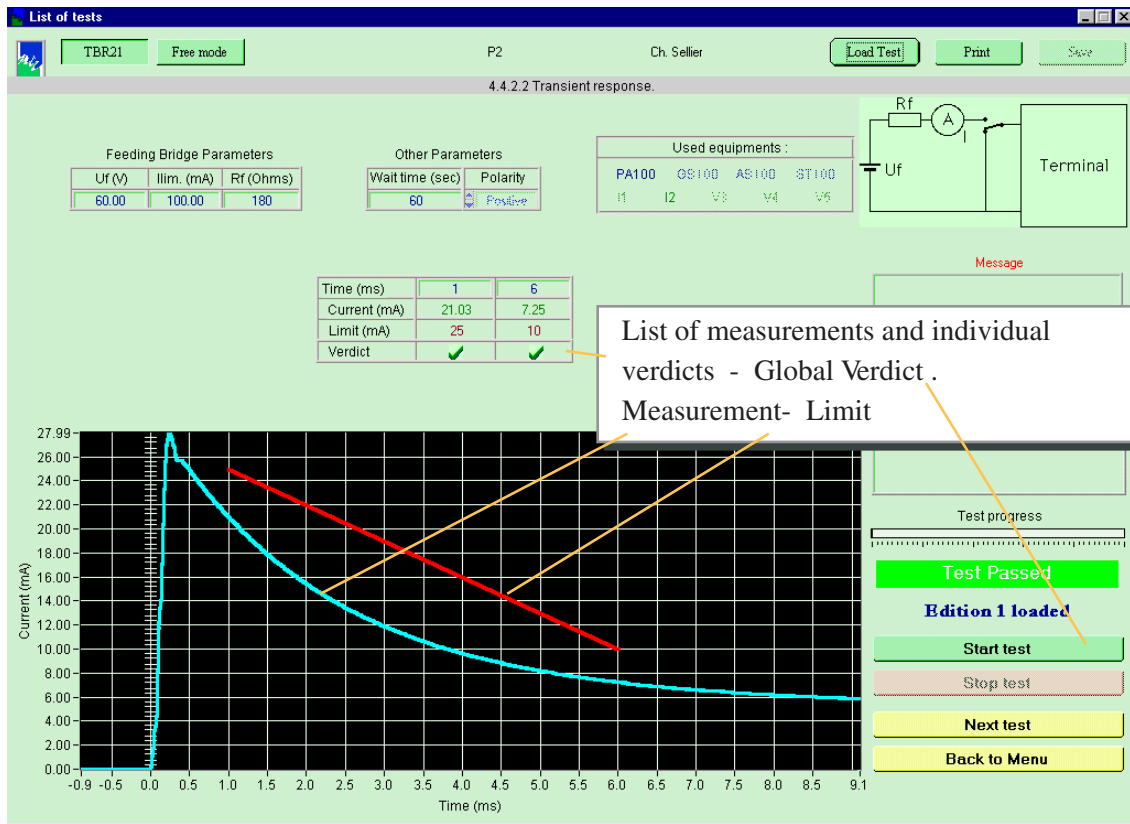
Measurement results are displayed as lists and/or graphs.

Notes for this measurement

Command buttons are always at the same place : Down and right for measurement commands, at the top for general commands



Examples of measurement screens





List of tests

TBR21 Free mode Debug G.G. Load Test Print Save

4.7.1 DC characteristics

Feeding Bridge Parameters: Uf (V) 50.00, Ilim. (mA) 100.00

Other Parameters: Wait time (sec) 1

Used equipments: PA100, GS100, AS100, ST100

EN 301 437, EN 301 437 (current >= 18 mA), ATAAB DE08 (German), ATAAB ES01/NO02 (Spanish,Norwegian)

	Positive polarity				Negative polarity			
Rf (Ohms)	3200	2050	850	230	3200	2050	850	230
U (V)	7.439	8.412	19.937	38.940	7.403	8.358	19.891	38.924
I (mA)	13.310	20.408	35.446	48.203	13.320	20.426	35.447	48.196
Verdict								

Message

Notes

Test progress

Free Mode

Start test

Stop test

Next test

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Equipment used and parameters (as requested by the standard or «Free mode»). Next paragraph or main screen.

List of tests

TBR21 Free mode Debug G.G. Load Test Print Save

4.7.3.4.1 Sending level above 4,3 kHz during DTMF dialling

Feeding Bridge Parameters: Uf (V) 50.00, Ilim. (mA) 100.00, Lf (H) 5, Cf (uF) 10

Used equipments: PA100, GS100, AS100, ST100

EN 301 437, EN 301 437 (current >= 18 mA)

Measuring equipment, Feeding Bridge, Terminal

Plot: Rf = 3200, pol. +; Rf = 230, pol. +; Rf = 3200, pol. -; Rf = 230, pol. -

The acquisition starts when the signal pass over the Detection Level

Detection Level (dBV) -15

	Positive polarity		Negative polarity	
Rf (Ohms)	3200	230	3200	230
Verdict	✓	✓	✓	✓

Message

Notes

Test progress

Test Passed

Start test

Stop test

Next test

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TBR21 schematic
Guidance message
measurement notes



List of tests | TBR21 | Free mode | Debug | G.G. | Load Test | Print | Save

4.8.2.2 Signalling levels

Feeding Bridge Parameters: Uf (V): 50.00, Ilim. (mA): 100.00, Lf (H): 5, Cf (uF): 10

Used equipments: PA100, GS100, AS100, ST100

EN 301 437: EN 301 437, EN 301 437 (current >= 18 mA), Dialling with dial tone detection

Measuring equipment --- Z_k --- Feeding Bridge --- Terminal

Test with Rf = 230 Ohms, and in the Positive Polarity

Character	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0	*	#	A	B	C	D
F1 Level (dBV)	-8.8	-8.8	-8.8	-8.7	-8.7	-8.8	-8.7	-8.7	-8.7	-8.6						
F2 Level (dBV)	-6.7	-6.7	-7.0	-6.6	-6.7	-7.1	-6.6	-6.7	-6.9	-6.7						
Difference (dBV)	2.1	2.1	1.8	2.1	2.0	1.7	2.1	2.0	1.8	1.9						
Verdict	X	X	✓	X	X	✓	X	X	X	X						

Test with Rf = 2300 Ohms, and in the Positive Polarity

Character	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0	*	#	A	B	C	D
F1 Level (dBV)	-8.9	-9.0	-8.9	-8.9	-8.9	-8.9	-8.9	-8.9	-8.9	-8.8						
F2 Level (dBV)	-6.8	-6.8	-7.1	-6.8	-6.8	-7.1	-6.8	-6.8	-7.1	-6.8						
Difference (dBV)	2.1	2.2	1.8	2.1	2.1	1.8	2.1	2.1	1.8	2.0						
Verdict	X	X	✓	X	X	✓	X	X	X	✓						

Test with Rf = 230 Ohms, and in the Negative Polarity

Character	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0	*	#	A	B	C	D
F1 Level (dBV)	-8.8	-8.7	-8.7	-8.7	-8.6	-8.7	-8.6	-8.6	-8.6	-8.6						
F2 Level (dBV)	-6.7	-6.6	-6.9	-6.6	-6.6	-6.9	-6.5	-6.6	-6.9	-6.6						
Difference (dBV)	2.1	2.1	1.8	2.1	2.0	1.8	2.1	2.0	1.7	2.0						
Verdict	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X						

Test with Rf = 2300 Ohms, and in the Negative Polarity

Character	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0	*	#	A	B	C	D
F1 Level (dBV)	-8.9	-8.9	-9.0	-8.9	-8.9	-8.9	-8.9	-8.9	-8.8	-8.9						
F2 Level (dBV)	-6.7	-6.8	-7.1	-6.7	-6.8	-7.1	-6.7	-6.8	-7.0	-6.9						
Difference (dBV)	2.2	2.1	1.9	2.2	2.1	1.8	2.2	2.1	1.8	2.0						
Verdict	X	X	✓	X	X	✓	X	X	✓	X						

Message

Notes

Test progress

Test Failed

Start test

Stop test

Next test

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List of tests | TBR21 | Free mode | Debug | G.G. | Load Test | Print | Save

4.8.2.5 Pause duration

Feeding Bridge Parameters: Uf (V): 50.00, Ilim. (mA): 100.00, Rf (Ohms): 850, Lf (H): 5, Cf (uF): 10

Other Parameters: Polarity: Positive

Used equipments: PA100, GS100, AS100, ST100

EN 301 437: EN 301 437, EN 301 437 (current >= 18 mA), Dialling with dial tone detection, Show waves A, B, C

Measuring equipment --- Z_k --- Feeding Bridge --- Terminal

Plot: Characters 1, Characters 2, Characters 3, Characters 4

Characters	Pause Duration (ms)	Verdict
2, 5	83.25	✓
1, 4	82.20	✓
4, 4	86.25	✓
5, 8	167.10	✓

Envelope of the signal (V)

Time (ms)

Message

Notes

Test progress

Test Passed

Start test

Stop test

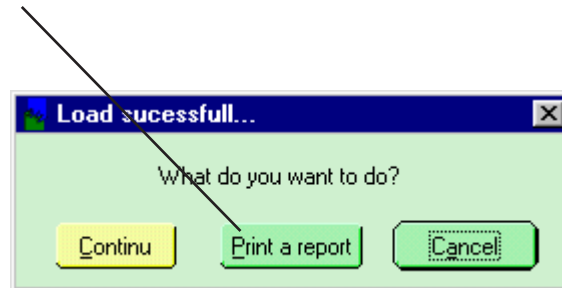
Next test

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Report edition

When choosing a folder you can ask for a report printing.



When the report is printed, it is fitted with date, Index and numbering of pages.