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1 General Description

1.1 Features

Euro Z 440 V (MI 3143) is a Multi-function, portable battery (Li-ion) **or** mains powered test instrument with excellent IP protection: **IP65** (case closed), **IP54** (case opened), intended for: high current line and loop impedance. It is designed and produced with the extensive knowledge and experience acquired through many years of working in this field.

Available functions and features offered by the **Euro Z 440 V**:

- Impedance measurement up to 470 V;
- Maximum nominal voltage is 420 V;
- CAT IV 600 V measuring category (altitude up to 3000 m);
- Frequency range from 16 Hz up to 420 Hz;
- Selectable test load (33.3 %, 66.6 %, 100 %);
- Improved thermal performance;
- Bluetooth communication;
- Black box design (Can be remotely controlled from an Android device)


Two LED bar graph indicators offer easy-to-read battery and thermal condition of the instrument. The operation is straightforward and clear to enable the user to operate the instrument without the need for special training (except reading and understanding this Instruction Manual).

MI 3143 Euro Z 440 V	according to
Z line mΩ Z loop mΩ	EN 61557 – 3 [<i>loop impedance</i>]
High Current	IEEE Std 81 – 2012 [<i>Integrity of ground systems</i>]
U touch	IEEE Std 81 – 2012 [<i>Testing earth potentials and step and touch voltages</i>]

2 Safety and operational considerations

2.1 Warnings and notes

In order to maintain the highest level of operator safety while carrying out various tests and measurements Metrel recommends keeping your **Euro Z 440 V** instruments in good condition and undamaged. When using the instrument, consider the following general warnings:

- The  symbol on the test equipment means »Read the Instruction manual with special care for safe operation«. The symbol requires an action!
- If the test equipment is used in a manner not specified in this Instruction manual, the protection provided by the equipment could be impaired!
- Read this Instruction manual carefully, otherwise the use of the test equipment may be dangerous for the operator, the test equipment itself or for the tested object!
- Do not use the test equipment or any of the accessories if any damage is noticed!
- Regularly check the instrument and accessories for correct functioning to avoid hazard that could occur from misleading results.
- Consider all generally known precautions in order to avoid risk of electric shock while dealing with hazardous voltages! Note that Euro Z 440 V high current impedance adapter is intended for use in environments where dangerous voltages are easy accessible (e.g. switchgears, power stations)!
- Use only standard or optional test accessories supplied by your distributor!
- Do not connect the test equipment to a mains voltage different from the one defined on the label adjacent to the mains connector, otherwise it may be damaged.
- Service intervention, calibration or adjustment is only allowed to be carried out by competent authorized personnel!
- All normal safety precautions must be taken in order to avoid risk of electric shock while working on electrical installations!
- Consider that protection category of some accessories is lower than of the instrument (e.g. test leads, alligator clips, test tips). Test tips have removable caps. If they are removed, the protection falls to CAT II. Check markings on accessories!
 - cap off, 18 mm tip: CAT II up to 1000 V
 - cap on, 4 mm tip: CAT II 1000 V / CAT III 600 V / CAT IV 300 V
- Do not use the equipment in a wet environment, around explosive gas, vapour.
- Only adequately trained and competent persons may operate the equipment.

Markings on the instrument:

Read the Instruction manual with special care to safety operation«. The symbol requires an action!



Front panel can overheat when performing the rapid sequence of high precision line-to-line impedance measurements.



Mark on your equipment certifies that it meets requirements of all subjected EU regulations.



This equipment should be recycled as electronic waste.



This equipment is protected by reinforced insulation.

**Warnings related to measurement functions:**

- Use only standard or optional test accessories supplied by your distributor!
- Always connect accessories to the test equipment and to the test object before starting measurement. Do not touch test leads or crocodile clips during measurement.
- Do not touch any conductive parts of equipment under test during the test, risk of electric shock!
- Do not connect test terminals (C1, P1, P2, C2 and S) to an external voltage higher than 470 V AC (CAT IV environment) to prevent any damage to the test equipment!
- Do not connect live voltage to A 1597 Human body probe!

Z loop mΩ

- The Z loop mΩ impedance function will trip-out the RCD in RCD protected installation that is tested. To prevent the RCD trip-out, make measurements on entry side of RCD or bypass the RCD but only for test purpose.
- Specified accuracy of tested parameters is valid only if mains voltage is stable during the measurement.

Z line mΩ

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**Warnings related to Batteries:**

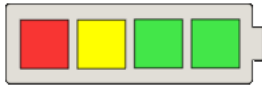
- Use only batteries provided by the manufacturer.
- Never dispose of the batteries in a fire as it may cause them to explode or generate a toxic gas.
- Do not attempt to disassemble, crush or puncture the batteries in any way.
- Do not short circuit or reverse polarity the external contacts on a battery.
- Keep the battery away from children.
- Avoid exposing the battery to excessive shock/impacts or vibration.
- Do not use a damaged battery.
- The Li – ion battery contains safety and protection circuit, which if damaged, may cause the battery to generate heat, rupture or ignite.
- Do not leave a battery on prolonged charge when not in use.
- If a battery has leaking fluids, do not touch any fluids.
- In case of eye contact with fluid, do not rub eyes. Immediately flush eyes thoroughly with water for at least 15 minutes, lifting upper and lower lids, until no evidence of the fluid remains. Seek medical attention.

2.2 Battery and charging of Li-ion battery pack

The instrument is designed to be powered by rechargeable Li-ion battery pack or with mains supply.

2.2.1 Battery indication

The battery indication indicates the charge condition of battery. Press LED bar graph key for test.



Battery capacity indication (LED bar graph indicator).



2.2.2 Charger state

The battery is charged whenever the power supply is connected to the instrument. The power supply socket is shown in Figure 2.1. Internal circuit controls (CC, CV) charging and assures maximum battery lifetime. Nominal operating time is declared for battery with nominal capacity of 4.4 Ah.



Figure 2.1: Power supply socket (C7)

The instrument automatically recognizes the connected power supply and begins charging.

Description	 Yellow LED	 Green LED
	Charging in progress (if power supply adapter is connected and battery inserted).	On
Charger complete (battery is full).	Off	On
Charger disconnected. (Battery operating instrument) Sleep mode.	Off	Off
Charger suspend. Battery fault indication (timer fault, battery absent, temperature).	Blinking	Undefined

Battery and charging characteristic	Typical
Battery type	VB 18650
Charging mode	CC / CV
Nominal voltage	7,2 V
Rated capacity	4,4 Ah
Max charging voltage	8,0 V
Max charging current	2,2 A
Max discharge current	2,5 A
Typical charging time	3 hours

Typical charging profile which is also used in this instrument is shown in **Figure 2.2**.

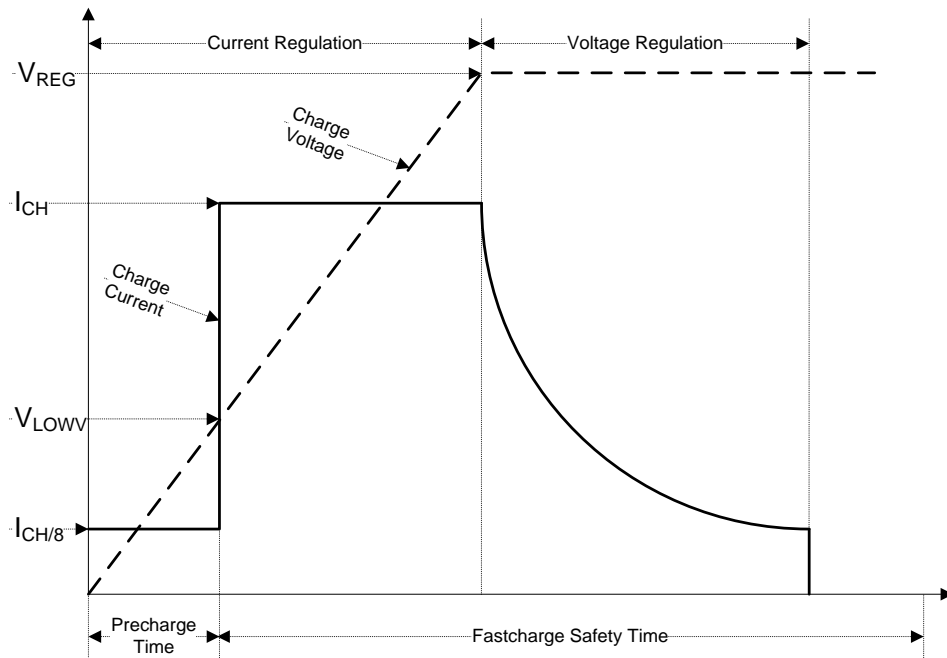


Figure 2.2: Typical charging profile

where:

- V_{REG} Battery charging voltage
- V_{LOWV} Precharge threshold voltage
- I_{CH} Battery charging current
- $I_{CH/8}$ 1/8 of the charging current

2.2.3 Precharge

On power up, if the battery voltage is below the V_{LOWV} threshold, the charger applies 1/8 of the charging current to the battery. The precharge feature is intended to revive deeply discharged battery. If the V_{LOWV} threshold is not reached within 30 minutes of initiating precharge, the charger turns off and a FAULT is indicated.

Note:

- As a safety backup, the charger also provides an internal 5-hour charge timer for fast charge.

Typical charging time is 3 hours in the temperature range of 5°C to 60°C.

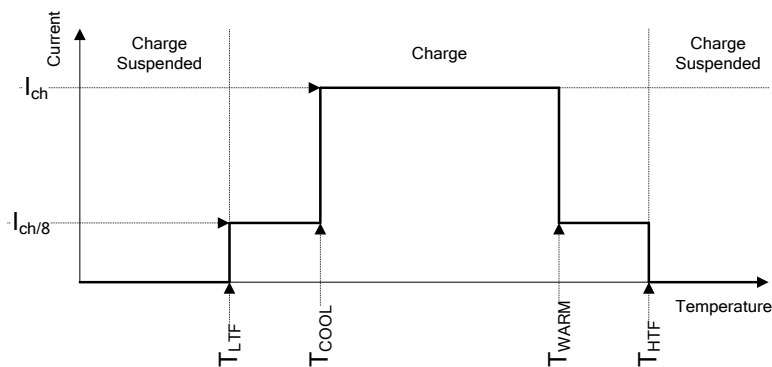


Figure 2.3: Typical charging current vs temperature profile

where:

T_{LTF}	Cold temperature threshold (typ. -15°C)
T_{COOL}	Cool temperature threshold (typ. 0°C)
T_{WARM}	Warm temperature threshold (typ. $+60^{\circ}\text{C}$)
T_{HTF}	Hot temperature threshold (typ. $+75^{\circ}\text{C}$)

The charger continuously monitors battery temperature. To initiate a charge cycle, the battery temperature must be within the T_{LTF} to T_{HTF} thresholds. If battery temperature is outside of this range, the controller suspends charge and waits until the battery temperature is within the T_{LTF} to T_{HTF} range.

If the battery temperature is between the T_{LTF} and T_{COOL} thresholds or between the T_{WARM} and T_{HTW} thresholds, charge is automatically reduced to $I_{CH/8}$ (1/8 of the charging current).

2.2.4 Li – ion battery pack guidelines

Li – ion rechargeable battery pack requires routine maintenance and care in their use and handling. Read and follow the guidelines in this Instruction manual to safely use Li – ion battery pack and achieve the maximum battery life cycles.

Do not leave batteries unused for extended periods of time – more than 6 months (self – discharge).

When a battery has been unused for 6 months, check the charge status; see chapter 5.2.2 *Battery indication*. Rechargeable Li – ion battery pack has a limited life and will gradually lose their capacity to hold a charge. As the battery loses capacity, the length of time it will power the product decreases.

Storage:

- ❑ Charge or discharge the instruments battery pack to approximately 50% of capacity before storage.
- ❑ Charge the instrument battery pack to approximately 50% of capacity at least once every 6 months.

Transportation:

- ❑ Always check all applicable local, national, and international regulations before transporting a Li – ion battery pack.



Handling Warnings:

- ❑ **Do not disassemble, crush, or puncture a battery in any way.**
- ❑ **Do not short circuit or reverse polarity the external contacts on a battery.**
- ❑ **Do not dispose of a battery in fire or water.**
- ❑ **Keep the battery away from children.**
- ❑ **Avoid exposing the battery to excessive shock/impacts or vibration.**
- ❑ **Do not use a damaged battery.**
- ❑ **The Li – ion battery contains safety and protection circuit, which if damaged, may cause the battery to generate heat, rupture or ignite.**
- ❑ **Do not leave a battery on prolonged charge when not in use.**
- ❑ **If a battery has leaking fluids, do not touch any fluids.**
- ❑ **In case of eye contact with fluid, do not rub eyes. Immediately flush eyes thoroughly with water for at least 15 minutes, lifting upper and lower lids, until no evidence of the fluid remains. Seek medical attention.**

2.3 Standards applied

The Euro Z 440 V instrument is manufactured and tested in accordance with the following regulations:

Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC)

EN 61326 - 1 Electrical equipment for measurement, control and laboratory use – EMC requirements – Part 1: General requirements

Safety (LVD)

EN 61010 - 1 Safety requirements for electrical equipment for measurement, control and laboratory use – Part 1: General requirements

EN 61010 - 2 - 030 Safety requirements for electrical equipment for measurement, control and laboratory use – Part 2-030: Particular requirements for testing and measuring circuits

EN 61010 - 031 Safety requirements for hand-held probe assemblies for electrical measurement and test.

Some further recommendations

EN 61557 Electrical safety in low voltage distribution systems up to 1000 V a.c. and 1500 V d.c. - Equipment for testing, measuring or monitoring of protective measures.

Part 1: General requirements

Part 3: Loop resistance

IEEE 81 – 2012 IEEE Guide for Measuring Earth Resistivity, Ground Impedance, and Earth Surface Potentials of a Grounding System.

EN 60909 - 0 Short-circuit currents in three-phase a.c. systems – Part 0: Calculation of currents

Li – ion battery pack

EN 62133 - 2 Secondary cells and batteries containing alkaline or other non-acid electrolytes - Safety requirements for portable sealed secondary cells and for batteries made from them, for use in portable applications – Part 2: Lithium systems

Note about EN and IEC standards:

- Text of this manual contains references to European standards. All standards of EN 6XXXX (e.g. EN 61010) series are equivalent to IEC standards with the same number (e.g. IEC 61010) and differ only in amended parts required by European harmonization procedure.

3 Instrument description

3.1 Instrument casing

The instrument is housed in a plastic box that maintains the protection class defined in the general specifications.

3.2 Operator's panel

The operator's panel is shown in Figure 3.1 below.

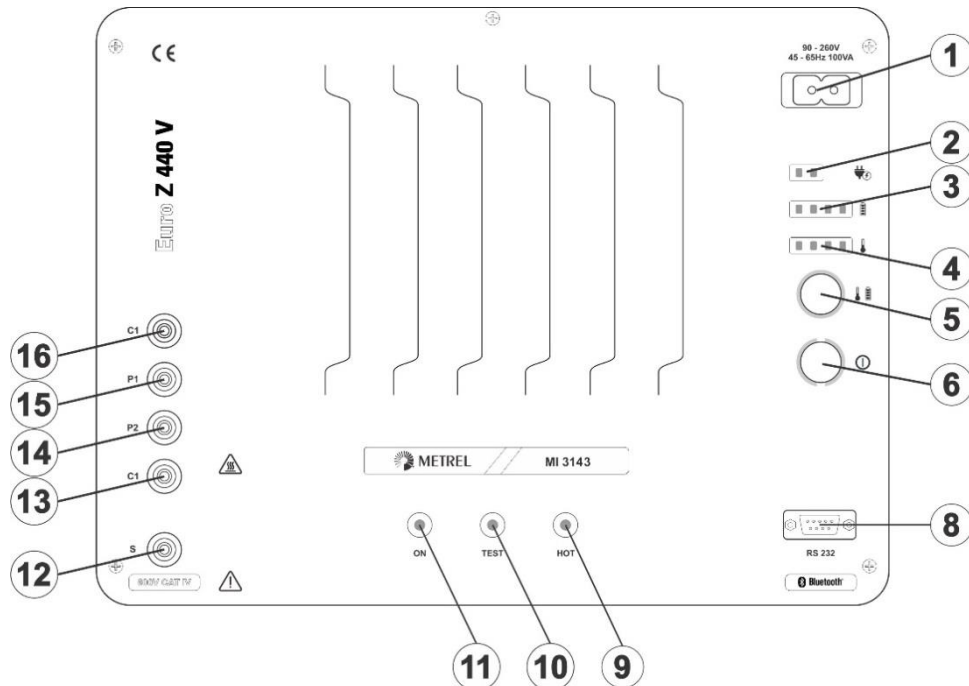


Figure 3.1: The operator's panel

1		Input power supply socket (type C7).
2		Charger status (green and yellow led indicator).
3		Battery status (LED bar graph).
4		Temperature status (LED bar graph).
5		Led bar graph key (active if pressed).
6	On/Off	Switches the instrument power on or off. Instrument hard reset (if hold for 10 s or more).
8	RS232	RS232 communication port.
9	HOT	Instrument overheated.
10	TEST	Measurement status (in measurement).
11	ON	Power indication.
12 - 16	S, C2, P2, P1, C1	Measuring terminals.

Warnings!

- ❑ Do not connect test terminals (C1, P1, P2, C2) to an external voltage higher than 470 V AC (CAT IV environment) to prevent any damage to the test equipment!
- ❑ Use original test accessories only!

4 Accessories

The accessories consist of standard and optional accessories. Optional accessories can be delivered upon request. See *attached* list for standard configuration and options or contact your distributor or see the METREL home page: <http://www.metrel.si>.

4.1 Standard set

- Instrument MI 3143 Euro Z 440 V
- Test lead 2,5 m, 2 pcs (black/red)
- Test lead 5 m, 2 pcs (green)
- Test tip, 2 pcs (red)
- Test tip, 2 pcs (black)
- Crocodile clips, 2 pcs (red)
- Crocodile clips, 2 pcs (black)
- RS232 cable (9 pin - PS2)
- Mains cable
- Bag for accessories
- Instruction manual
- Calibration certificate

4.2 Optional accessories

See the attached sheet for a list of optional accessories and licence keys that are available on request from your distributor.

5 Instrument operation

According to principle, the instrument offers remote control from METREL instruments whose test functions are implemented by application of the Euro Z.

5.1 General meaning of keys



LED bar graph key is used to:

- Power up the temperature and battery bar graph indication;







ON / OFF key:

- Switches the instrument power on or off;
- Instrument hard reset (hold key for 10 s or more).

The instrument automatically turns off 10 minutes after the last key was pressed and no communication with the master instrument or app.

5.2 LED indicators

5.2.1 Measurement indication

LED	Status	Description
 ON	ON	Power indication.
	Blinking	Low battery.
 TEST	ON	Measurement status. <i>LED is activated while measurement is running.</i>
 HOT	Blinking	Overheated. <i>Temperature of internal components in the Euro Z instrument reached top limit. The measurement is prohibited until temperature drops below the limit.</i>
 ON TEST HOT	Blinking	Hardware error. (Input relay failure detected.) <i>Measurements are prohibited! Service intervention is required!</i>

5.2.1 Temperature indication

The temperature indicates the condition of the loading resistor.



Temperature indication (LED bar graph indicator).
Cool, Mild, Warm, Hot

5.2.2 Battery indication

The battery indication indicates the charge condition of battery.



Battery capacity indication (LED bar graph indicator).
Low, Middle, Good, Full

5.3 Messages on the master instrument

Warning!

Low battery on the Euro Z adapter.

Select **OK** for acknowledgement; connect the power supply to the instrument and recharge the batteries.

Warning!

Euro Z adapter is overheated. The measurement is prohibited until the temperature decreases under the allowed limit.

Select **OK** for acknowledgement; cool down the Euro Z instrument.

Warning!

Wrong voltage system or nominal mains voltage out of range!

Select **OK** for acknowledgement; limit $[40 \text{ V} \leq U_{ac} \leq 470 \text{ V}]$.

Warning!

Wrong frequency system!

Select **OK** for acknowledgement; limit $[16 \text{ Hz} \leq f \leq 420 \text{ Hz}]$.

Error!

Connection! Check the correct terminals connection (C1, P1, P2, C2)!
See help for more information.

Select **OK** for acknowledgement.

Error!

Hardware Error!
The measurement is prohibited.

Select **OK** for acknowledgement; Input relay failure detected. Service intervention is required.

5.3.1 Terminal voltage monitor

The terminal voltage monitor displays on-line the voltages and frequency on the test terminals.

Up1p2	RMS voltage across P1 – P2 measuring terminals.
Uc1c2	RMS voltage across C1 – C2 measuring terminals.
Freq	RMS frequency across C1 – C2 measuring terminals.

5.4 Operation with the master instrument

(e.g. MI 3155 EurotestXD, MI 3152 EurotestXC)

Applied functions

See *Appendix A – Supported Instruments Selection Table* for more information.

Connection with the master instrument (RS232 or Bluetooth)

- For RS 232 communication, connect serial communication interface cable RS 232_9pin_female / PS 2 to the master instrument and the Euro Z instrument. See *Figure 5.1*.

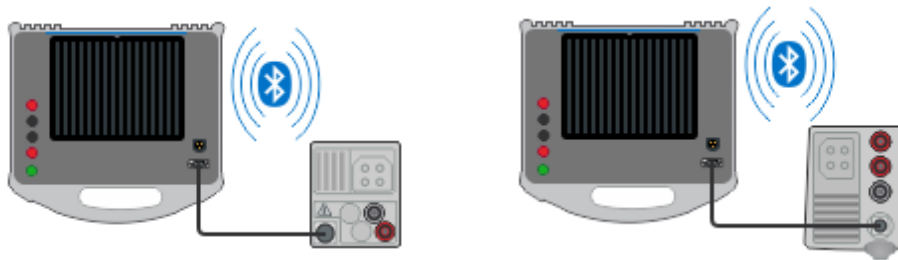


Figure 5.1: Connection of the Euro Z 440 V to the master instrument using RS 232 or Bluetooth (Example of MI 3152 and MI 3155)

- Power on the master instrument and the Euro Z instrument.
- Select the communication port RS 232 or Bluetooth on the master instrument.

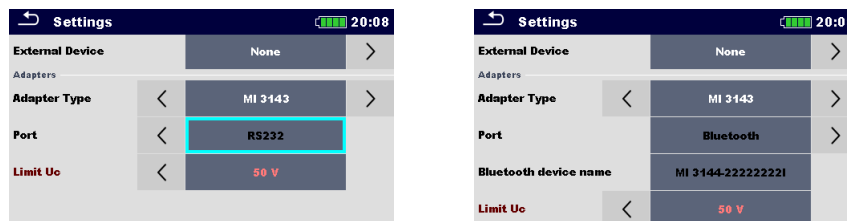


Figure 5.2: Master instrument Setting menu

Set (pair) the appropriate Bluetooth device from a list of detected Bluetooth devices. The correct name consists of the instrument type plus serial number, e.g. *MI 3144-12345678I*.

- Select measurement function on the master instrument from the EURO Z group.
- The master instrument recognizes the Euro Z instrument in the measurement window by activating terminal voltage monitor and with Bluetooth indication (if Bluetooth communication is set).



Figure 5.3: Terminal voltage monitor – activated and not activated



Figure 5.4: Bluetooth indication connected and disconnected

- Select the proper parameters and limits of the selected measurement on the master instrument.
- Connect the Euro Z instrument to the test object. (Check terminal voltage monitor for proper connection. Use help screens on master instrument if necessary.)
- Press TEST/ RUN/ ENTER on the master instrument to measure.
- Result of measurement is displayed on the master instrument.

5.5 Operation with the aMESM

Applied functions

See *Appendix A – Supported Instruments Selection Table* for more information.

Metrel Android application aMESM is available for download from Google Play store:



Connection with aMESM (Bluetooth)

- ❑ Power on the Euro Z instrument and the tablet or smart phone.
- ❑ Enable the Bluetooth hardware on the tablet or smart phone device.
- ❑ Run aMESM application on the tablet or smart phone device.



Figure 5.5: Connection of the Euro Z 440 V to the aMESM

- ❑ Search for the appropriate device (your Euro Z instrument) in the Bluetooth menu and connect to it. The correct name consist of the instrument type plus serial number, e.g. *MI 3143-12345678I*.
- ❑ **Bluetooth communication device pairing code is 1234.**
- ❑ Select measurement function on the aMESM.
- ❑ Select the proper parameters and limits.
- ❑ Connect the Euro Z instrument to the test object.
- ❑ Press the START key on the aMESM application to measure.
- ❑ Result of a measurement is displayed on the aMESM application.

6 Tests and Measurements

The MI 3143 Euro Z 440 V instrument is able to carry out different measurement methods. The operator can select the appropriate one.

6.1 Impedance Measurements [Z]

When performing measurements close to the power transformer or inductance is present, inductive part of impedance has a significant influence to prospective fault/short-circuit current. Therefore, impedance instead of resistance has to be measured for correct calculation of prospective fault/short-circuit current.

AC Impedance	Measurement	Test Mode	Test Method	Limit
Z	Z line mΩ	single	4-wire	yes
	Z loop mΩ	single	4-wire	yes
	High Current	single	4-wire	yes

High precision line and fault loop impedance measurements are performed using high current impulses to assure adequate voltage drop during the test.

Warnings:

- ❑ The Euro Z instrument applies very high loading current into tested installation and it is recommended to make rare measurements, typically one per 15 s to reduce problems caused by such current.
- ❑ Flickers can be observed due to high test current pulses.

6.1.1 Z line mΩ Measurement

ZmΩ_{L-N}
Z line mΩ

Line impedance is the impedance within the current loop when a short-circuit occurs:

- ❑ Conductive connection between phase conductor and neutral conductor in single-phase system,
- ❑ Between two line conductors in three-phase system.

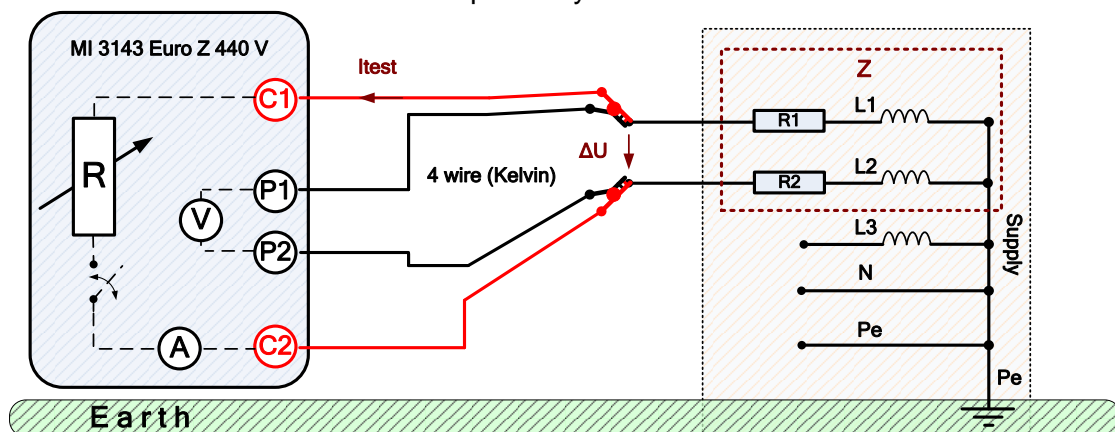


Figure 6.1: Z line mΩ measurement example

During the measurement, an internal resistance is connected between C1 and C2 for a period of a half cycle. The instrument internal shunt resistor measures the current (I_{test}). A voltmeter measures the open circuit voltage with no load (U_{UNLOADED}), followed by the second reading with a load (U_{LOADED}). The impedance Z is determined from the voltage dip / current ratio. In the example following impedance is measured:

$$Z = \frac{U_{UNLOADED} - U_{LOADED}}{I_{test}} = \frac{\Delta U}{I_{test}}$$

where:

- Z Impedance
- $U_{UNLOADED}$ Measured voltage [no load]
- U_{LOADED} Measured voltage [with load]
- ΔU Voltage dip
- I_{test} Test current

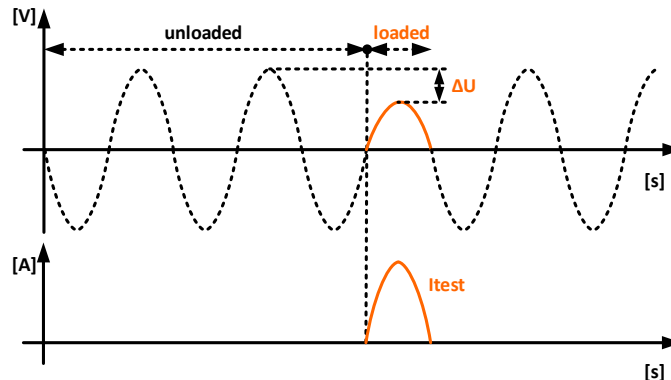


Figure 6.2: Z line mΩ measurement voltage and current waveforms examples



6.1.2 Z loop mΩ Measurement

Loop impedance is the impedance within the fault loop when a short - circuit to exposed conductive parts occurs (conductive connection between phase conductor and protective earth conductor).

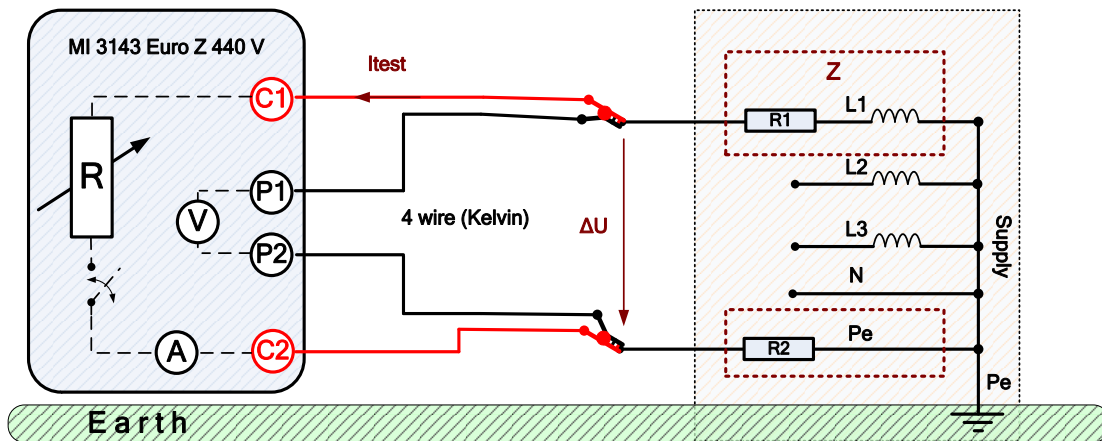


Figure 6.3: Z loop mΩ measurement example

During the measurement, an internal resistance is connected between C1 and C2 for a period of a half cycle. The instrument internal shunt resistor measures the current (I_{test}). A voltmeter measures the open circuit voltage with no load ($U_{UNLOADED}$), followed by the second reading with a load (U_{LOADED}). The impedance Z is determined from the voltage dip / current ratio. In the example following impedance is measured:

$$Z = \frac{U_{UNLOADED} - U_{LOADED}}{I_{test}} = \frac{\Delta U}{I_{test}}$$

where:

Z Impedance
 $U_{UNLOADED}$ Measured voltage [no load]
 U_{LOADED} Measured voltage [with load]
 ΔU Voltage dip
 I_{test} Test current

To enable U_b measurement, set the Test parameter U_b to On!

U_b is contact voltage, calculated to maximum prospective short circuit current (I_{max}). U_b depends of measured U_{probe} voltage between probe S terminal and P2 terminal, measured impedance (Z), nominal voltage (U_N), voltage factor (c_{max}) and test current (I_{test}). For measurement setup, see figure below.

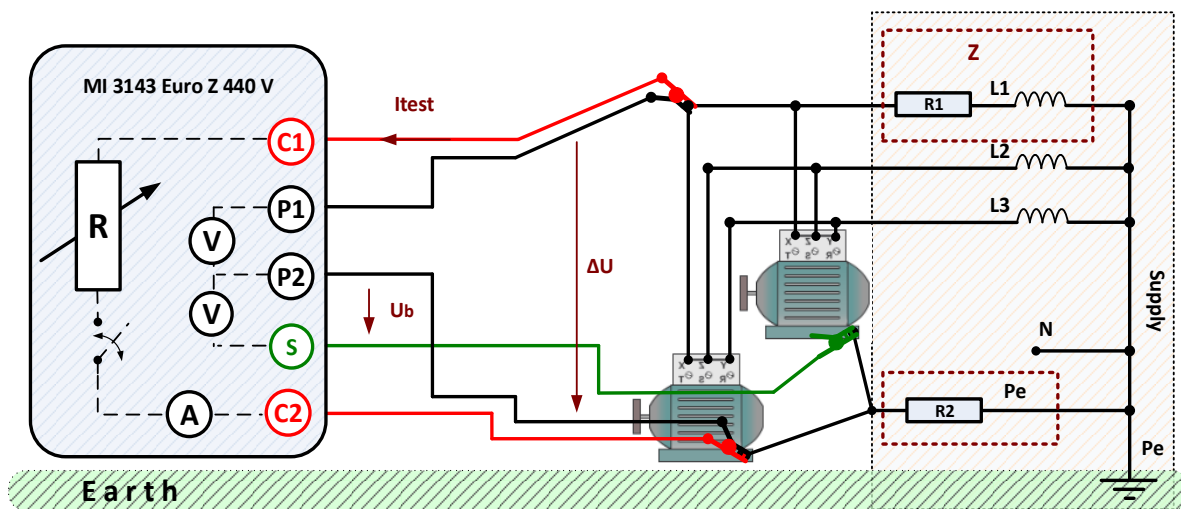


Figure 6.4: Z loop mΩ measurement with enabled U_b measurement

Displayed (U_b) is calculated as follows:

$$U_b = U_{probe} \times \left(\frac{I_{max}}{I_{test}} \right) = U_{probe} \times \left(\frac{c_{max} \times U_N}{Z \times I_{test}} \right)$$

where:

U_b Contact voltage
 U_{probe} Probe voltage defined as a difference of U_S and U_{P2}
 I_{max} Maximum prospective short circuit current
 I_{test} Test current
Z Impedance
 U_N Nominal voltage
 c_{max} Voltage factor (acc. to EN 60909-0)

Note:

- Check for correct C1, P1, P2, C2 and S terminals connection! Refer to Figure 6.4 for reference.

6.1.3 High Current Measurement



The measurement can be applied for measuring contact resistance (bad contacts) in a live distribution board or fuse box. With test currents from 10 A and all the way to the 100 A, depending on the mains voltage and test load parameter. For more information, see chapter 9.4 Test Current.

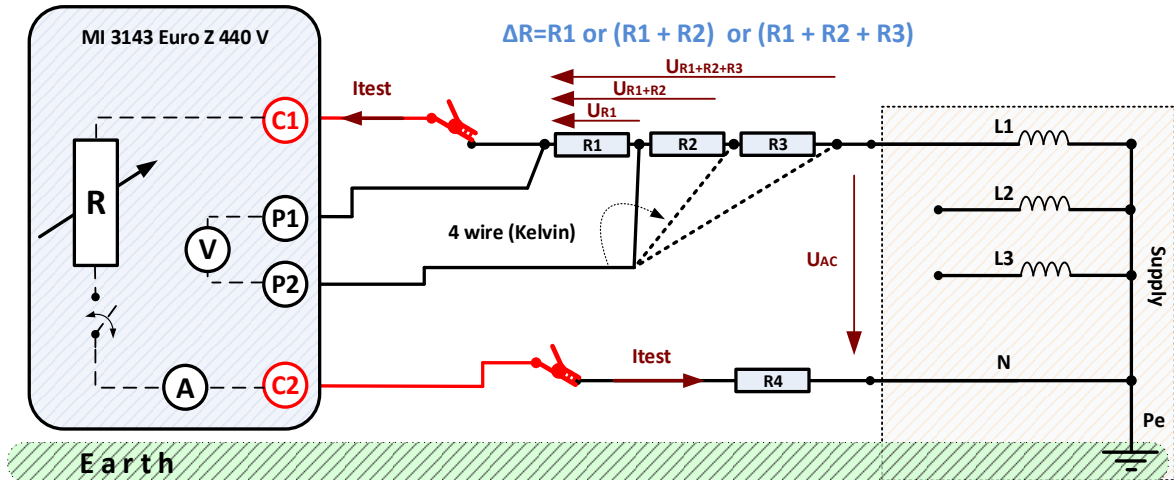


Figure 6.5: High Current Measurement example (distribution board)

During the measurement, an internal resistance is connected between C1 and C2 for a period of a half cycle. The current is measured by the Euro Z instrument (I_{test}). The supply network and test load setting determines the current amplitude. A higher current amplitude improves the immunity against voltage noise. Potential probes P1 and P2 measure the voltage dip. The resistance R is determined from the voltage / current ratio.

In the example, following resistance is measured:

$$\Delta R = \frac{U_{P1-P2}}{I_{test}}$$

where:

- ΔRResistance
- $U_{P1-P2} = \Delta U$Voltage dip [with load]
- $U_{C1-C2} = U_{UNLOADED}$Voltage dip [no load]
- $\Delta U\%$Voltage dip in percentage [$\Delta U (\%) = [(\Delta U / U_{UNLOADED}) \times 100 \%$]
- I_{test}Test current

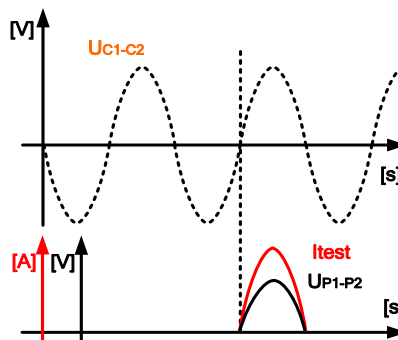


Figure 6.6: High Current measurement voltage and current waveforms examples

6.2 Earth Potential [U]

AC Voltage	Measurement	Test Mode	Test Method	Limit
U	U touch	single	4-wire	yes

Table 6.7: Available Earth Potential measurements with the MI 3143

Note (acc.to IEEE Std 81):

- Touch voltage - general definition. The potential difference between the GPR of a grounding grid or system and the surface potential where a person could be standing while at the same time having a hand in contact with a grounded structure or object.



6.2.1 U touch Measurement

Proposed measurement can be referenced to standard IEEE-81 par. 9.

The measurement is performed between an earthed accessible metal part and ground as shown on Figure 6.8. The voltage between the probes is measured by a voltmeter with an external resistance of 1 kΩ (adapter A 1597) that simulates the body resistance.

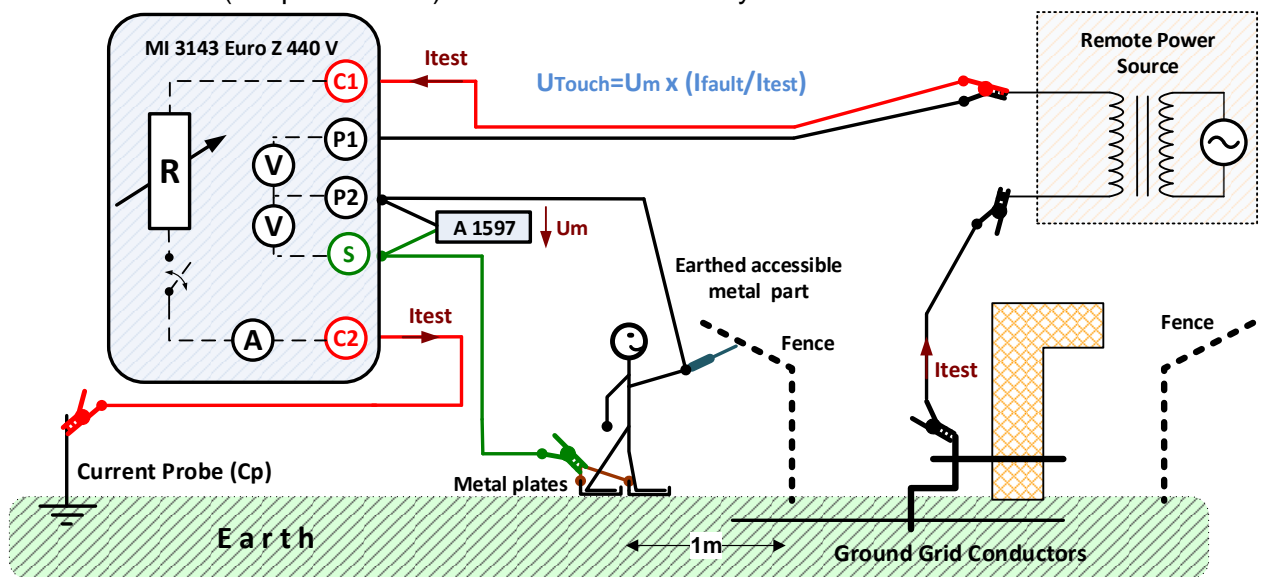


Figure 6.8: U touch Measurement example

During the measurement, an internal resistance is connected between C1 and C2 for a period of a half cycle. The resistance of the current probe should be as low as possible in order to inject a high test current. The resistance can be decreased by using more probes in parallel or using an auxiliary earthing system as the auxiliary probe. A higher injected current improves the immunity against spurious earth currents. The instrument internal shunt resistor measures the current (I_{test}). A voltmeter measures the voltage drop across a 1 k resistor (A 1597). The (U_{Touch}) voltage is determined from the fault current/ measured current ratio multiplied with the measured voltage. In the example following U_{Touch} voltage is measured:

$$U_{Touch} = U_m \times \frac{I_{FAULT}}{I_{test}}$$

where:

- U_{Touch} Calculated Touch voltage in case of a fault current
- I_{FAULT} Set fault current (maximal earth current in case of a fault)
- U_m Measured voltage drop
- I_{test} Test current

7 Communication

There are two communication interfaces available on the Euro Z instrument for communication with master instrument or Android device: RS-232 and Bluetooth.

RS-232 communication

Serial interface cable is required. See following figures for correct connection.

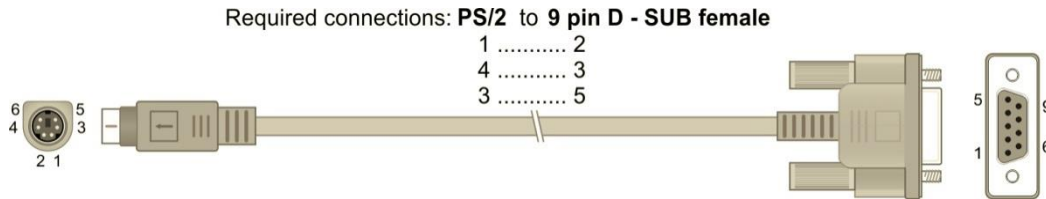


Figure 7.1: RS-232 connection – (Example of connection with MI 3152 or MI 3155)

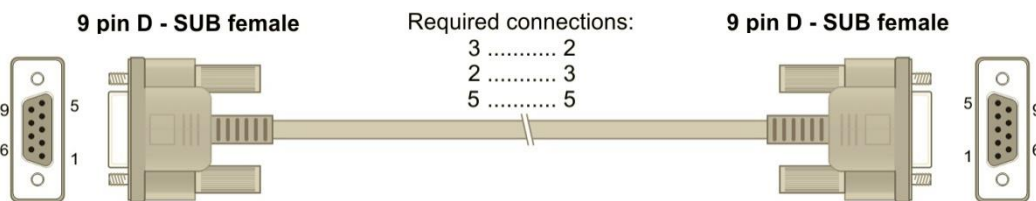


Figure 7.2: RS-232 connection (Example of connection to master instrument with standard 9-pin D-SUB type serial port)

Bluetooth communication

The internal Bluetooth module enables easy communication via Bluetooth with PC and Android devices.

How to configure a Bluetooth link between Euro Z instrument and Android device

- › Switch On the Euro Z instrument.
- › Some Android applications automatically carry out the setup of a Bluetooth connection. It is preferred to use this option if it exists. This option is supported by Metrel's Android applications.
- › If this option is not supported by the selected Android application, then configure a Bluetooth link via Android device's Bluetooth configuration tool. Usually, no code for pairing the devices is needed.
- › The instrument and Android device are ready to communicate.

Notes

- ❑ Sometimes there will be a demand from the PC or Android device to enter the code. Enter code '1234' to configure the Bluetooth link correctly.
- ❑ The name of correctly configured Bluetooth device must consist of the instrument type plus serial number, e.g. MI 3143-123456781. If the Bluetooth module got another name, the configuration must be repeated.

8 Maintenance

Unauthorized persons are not allowed to open the Euro Z instrument. There are no user replaceable components inside the instrument. Batteries can only be replaced with certified ones and only by authorized persons.

8.1 Cleaning

No special maintenance is required for the housing. To clean the surface of the instrument, use a soft cloth slightly moistened with soapy water or alcohol. Then leave the instrument to dry totally before use.

Warnings:

- ❑ Do not use liquids based on petrol or hydrocarbons!
- ❑ Do not spill cleaning liquid over the instrument!

8.2 Periodic calibration

It is essential that the test instrument is regularly calibrated in order that the technical specification listed in this manual is guaranteed. We recommend an annual calibration. Only an authorized technical person can do the calibration. Please contact your dealer for further information.

8.3 Service

For repairs under warranty, or at any other time, please contact your distributor.

8.4 Upgrading the instrument

The Euro Z instrument can be upgraded from a PC via the RS232 communication port. This enables to keep the Euro Z instrument up to date even if the standards or regulations change.

Download the latest firmware on the Metrel download centre:

<https://www.metrel.si/en/downloads/>

Special upgrading software - **FlashMe** will guide you through the upgrading procedure. For correct connection, see *Figure 8.1*. Contact your dealer for more information.

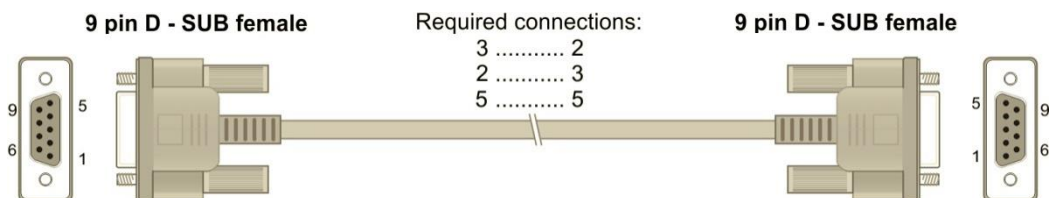


Figure 8.1: RS-232 Interface connection required for upgrading the Euro Z instrument

9 Technical specifications

9.1 Impedance [Z]

9.1.1 Z line mΩ, Z loop mΩ

Measuring range according to EN61557-3: 12.0 mΩ ... 19.99 Ω

Measurement principle Voltage / Current measurement (synchronous sampling)

Line Impedance Loop Impedance	Measuring range (Ω)	Resolution (mΩ)	Uncertainty (* See notes)
Z	0.1 m ... 199.9 m	0.1	±(5 % of reading + 3 mΩ)
	200 m ... 1999 m	1	
	2.00 ... 19.99	10	±(5 % of reading + 3 digits)

Test mode single

Measuring voltage range 40 V ... 470 V

Nominal frequency 16 Hz ... 420 Hz

Maximum test current see chapter **9.4 Test Current, Figure 9.1**

Test method 4-wire

R and XL values yes

Averaging option off, 2, 4, 6

Automatic range selection yes

Automatic test of voltage noise yes

Displayed Prospective Short Circuit Current (I_{psc}) is calculated as follows:

$$I_{psc} = \frac{U_n \times k_{sc}}{Z}$$

If the Nominal Voltage (U_n) is in the tolerance of ±6 % or ±10 % (parameter setting!) than the prospective short current (I_{psc}) will be calculated. Exceeding the nominal voltage tolerance by ±6 % or ±10 % then I_{psc} will not be calculated and the horizontal dashes (- - -) will be displayed.



where:

Z measured Impedance

U_n nominal voltage

k_{sc} Correction factor (I_{sc} factor) for I_{psc}

Tolerance Nominal voltage system tolerance (±6 % or ±10 %)

Refer to **Appendix B– Short-circuit currents in 3p a.c. systems** for more information.

Displayed (U_b) is calculated as follows:

$$U_b = U_{probe} \times \left(\frac{I_{max}}{I_{test}} \right) = U_{probe} \times \left(\frac{C_{max} \times U_n}{Z \times I_{test}} \right)$$

If the Nominal Voltage (U_n) is within the tolerance of $\pm 6\%$ or $\pm 10\%$ (parameter setting!) then maximum prospective short circuit current (I_{max}) and contact voltage (U_b) will be calculated. Exceeding the nominal voltage tolerance by more than $\pm 6\%$ or $\pm 10\%$ then I_{max} and U_b will not be calculated and the horizontal dashes (- - -) will be displayed.

where:

U_b Contact voltage

U_{probe} Probe voltage defined as a difference of U_s and U_{p2}

I_{max} Maximum prospective short circuit current

I_{test} Test current

Z Impedance

U_n Nominal voltage

C_{max} Voltage factor (acc. to EN 60909-0)

Refer to **Appendix B– Short-circuit currents in 3p a.c. systems** for more information.

Sub-result in measurement function Z loop m Ω :

Voltage	Measuring range (V)	Resolution (V)	Uncertainty
U_b	0.1 ... 99.9	0.1	$\pm(10\%$ of reading + 5 digits)

* Notes:

- *System voltage and frequency kept constant during measurement!*
- *When measuring at low current amplitudes (test load parameter set to 33.3 %) the result can vary!*
- *If the measurement triggers a fuse (the voltage drops to zero), the measurement will abort (stop).*
- *For the U_b measurement! Check for correct C1, P1, P2, C2 and S terminals connection! Refer to Figure 6.4 for reference.*



Measurement is aborted. Consider displayed warnings and messages.

9.1.2 High Current

Measurement principle Voltage / Current measurement (synchronous sampling)

Resistance	Measuring range (Ω)	Resolution (m Ω)	Uncertainty (* See notes)
ΔR	0.1 m ... 199.9 m	0.1	$\pm(5\% \text{ of reading} + 3 \text{ m}\Omega)$
	200 m ... 1999 m	1	
	2.00 ... 19.99	10	$\pm(5\% \text{ of reading} + 3 \text{ digits})$

Test mode single

Measuring voltage range 40 V ... 470 V

Measuring frequency range 16 Hz ... 420 Hz

Maximum test current see chapter **9.4 Test Current, Figure 9.1**

Test method 4-wire

Averaging option off, 2, 4, 6

Automatic range selection yes

Automatic test of voltage noise yes



* Notes:

- System voltage and frequency kept constant during measurement!
- When measuring at low current amplitudes (test load parameter set to 33.3 %) the result can vary!
- If the measurement triggers a fuse (the voltage drops to zero), the measurement will abort (stop).

9.1.3 Averaging options

Additional averaging is built within the instrument to reduce the influence of noise on measurement results. This option enables more stable results especially when dealing with low impedance measurement in noisy environment with interharmonics and power-line flickers.

Measurement function Z line m Ω , Z loop m Ω , High Current

In the measurement function, the status of the averaging option is shown in the measurement control window. The table below contains a definition of the individual averaging options and measuring times:

Averaging options	Meaning	Typical measuring times (s)	
		@ 230 V, 50 Hz	@ 415 V, 50 Hz
Off (1)	Averaging is disabled	3	3
2	Average of 2 results	4	5
4	Average of 4 results	7	10
6	Average of 6 results	10	15

9.2 Earth Potential [U]

9.2.1 U touch

Measurement principle Current / Voltage measurement

Voltage	Measuring range (V)	Resolution (V)	Uncertainty (* See notes)
U_{touch}	0.0 ... 199.9	0.1	calculated value
	200 ... 999	1	

Test mode single

Measuring voltage range 40 V ... 470 V

Measuring frequency range 16 Hz ... 420 Hz

Maximum test current see chapter **9.4 Test Current, Figure 9.1**

Measuring time typical 2 s

Input resistance (P1 – P2) 6 MΩ

Input resistance (P2 – S) 6 MΩ

Ifault range (selectable) Custom, 10 A ... 200 kA

Displayed Touch Voltage (U_{Touch}) is calculated as follows:

$$U_{Touch} = U_m \times \left(\frac{I_{fault}}{I_{test}} \right)$$

Sub-result in measurement function U_{Touch} :

Voltage	Measuring range (V)	Resolution (V)	Uncertainty (* See notes)
U_m	1 m ... 1999 m	1 m	±(2 % of reading + 2 digits)
	2.00 ... 19.99	10 m	
	20.0 ... 199.9	0.1	

Notes:

- A 1597 Human body probe with an internal resistance of 1 kΩ ±1 %, 10 W.
- System voltage and frequency kept constant during measurement!
- When selecting high I_{fault} parameters > 50 kA. Measuring at low current amplitudes (test load parameter set to 33.3 %) the result can vary!

9.3 Sub-results in measurement functions

Sub-result	Measuring range	Resolution	Uncertainty
R, XL	0 mΩ ... 19.9 Ω	1 mΩ ... 0.1 Ω	Indication only
Ipsc	0.01 A ... 199 kA	0.01 A ... 1 kA	calculated value
I_{max}, I_{min}, I_{max2p}, I_{min2p}, I_{max3p}, I_{min3p}	0.01 A ... 199 kA	0.01 A ... 1 kA	calculated value
I_{test}	0.1 A ... 499 A	0.1 A ... 1 A	±(2 % of reading + 3 digits)
U	0 V ... 999 V	1 V	±(2 % of reading + 3 digits)
ΔU	1 mV ... 199.9 V	1 mV ... 0.1 V	±(2 % of reading + 3 digits)
ΔU%	0.0 % ... 100.0 %	0.1 %	calculated value
f	0.1 Hz ... 499 Hz	0.1 Hz ... 1 Hz	±(0.2 % of reading + 1 digit)
U_b	0.1 V ... 99.9 V	0.1 V	±(10 % of reading + 5 digits)

9.4 Test Current

Measurement function..... Z line mΩ, Z loop mΩ, High Current, Utouch

Test Current (I_{test}) is set as follows:

$$I_{test} = \frac{U_{ac}}{Test_load + R_{leads} + R_{int}} \pm 15 \%$$

Test voltage (U_{ac}) 40 V ... 470 Vac

Test load parameter 33.3 %, 66.6 %, 100%

Test current duration depends on the system frequency

R_leads C1 and C2 test leads resistance

R_int internal resistance or impedance of the power source

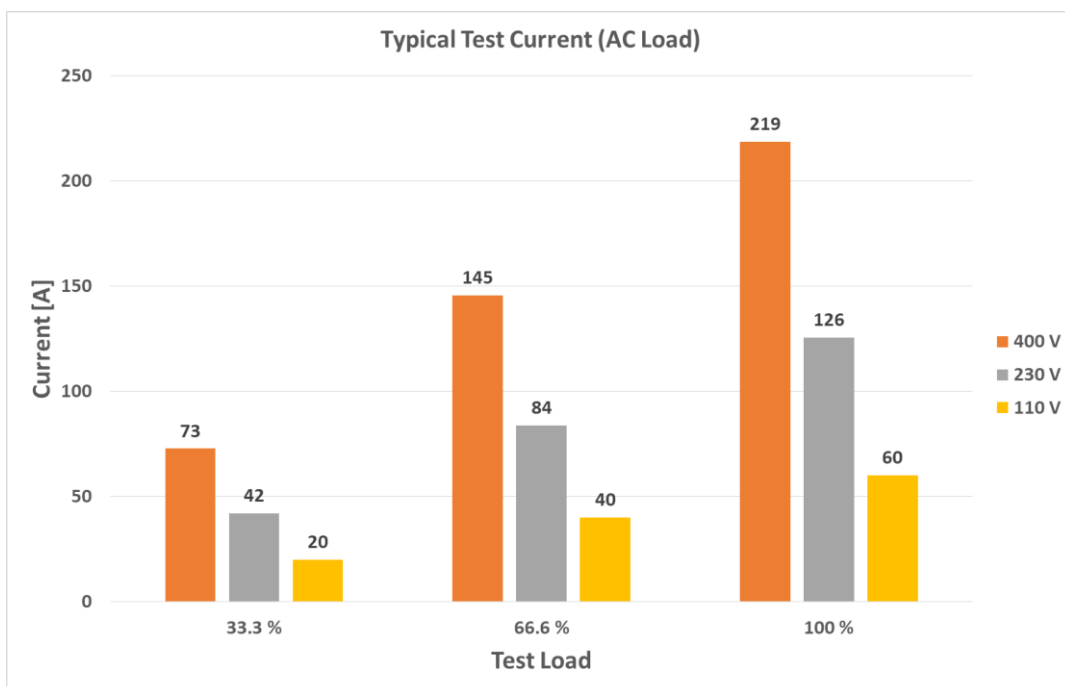


Figure 9.1: Typical test currents (AC Load) in relation to nominal voltage and test load

Internal variable load power resistor with 3-stage value setup.

Test load parameter	Equivalent load resistance
33.3 %	5.50 Ω
66.6 %	2.75 Ω
100 %	1.83 Ω

Note:


- Test leads resistance for standard supplied leads C1 + C2 is typ. 60 mΩ (red leads 2.5 m, 1.5 mm²).

9.5 General data

Battery power supply	7.2 V _{DC} (4.4 Ah Li-ion)
Battery charging time	typical 3.0 h (deep discharge)
Mains power supply	90 V ... 260 V _{AC} , 45 Hz ... 65 Hz, 80 VA
Over-voltage category	300 V CAT II
Maximum nominal voltage.....	420 V

Battery operation time:

Idle state	> 24 h
Measurements	> 12 h continuous testing for line, loop, high current
Auto-off timer	10 min (idle state)

Protection classification	reinforced insulation 
Measuring category.....	600 V CAT IV

Pollution degree	2
Degree of protection	IP 65 (case closed), IP 54 (case open)

Dimensions (w × h × d).....	36 cm x 16 cm x 33 cm
Weight	6.5 kg, (without accessories)

Visual warnings

Reference conditions:

Reference temperature range.....	25 °C ± 5 °C
Reference humidity range	40 %RH ... 60 %RH

Operation conditions:

Working temperature range	-10 °C ... 50 °C
Maximum relative humidity	90 %RH (0 °C ... 40 °C), non-condensing
Working nominal altitude.....	up to 3000 m
Operation	Indoor use

Storage conditions:

Temperature range	-10 °C ... 70 °C
Maximum relative humidity	90 %RH (-10 °C ... 40 °C)
.....	80 %RH (40 °C ... 60 °C)

RS 232 communication:

RS 232 serial communication	galvanic separated
Baud rate:	115200 baud rate, 1 stop bit, no parity
Connector:	standard RS232 9-pin D female

Bluetooth communication:

Device pairing code:	1234
Baud rate:	115200 bit/s
Bluetooth module.....	class 2

EMC:










Emission.....	Class A
Immunity	Industrial environment

Specifications are quoted at a coverage factor of $k = 2$, equivalent to a confidence level of approximately 95 %. Accuracies apply for 1 year in reference conditions. Temperature coefficient outside these limits is 0.2 % of measured value per °C, and 1 digit.

Appendix A – Supported Instruments Selection Table

Supported instruments and devices are:

- MI 3155 EurotestXD;
- MI 3152 EurotestXC;
- MI 3325 MultiServicerXD;
- aMESM (Android App).

Measurement functions available		MI 3155	MI 3152	MI 3325	aMESM	
MI 3143 Euro Z 440 V		EurotestXD	EurotestXC	MultiServicerXD		
	Icon	Group				
Z line mΩ	 ZmΩ_{L-N} Z line mΩ	Impedance	•	•	•	•
Z loop mΩ	 ZmΩ_{L-Pe} Z loop mΩ	Impedance	•	•	•	•
High Current	 ΔR300A High Current	Impedance	•	•	•	•
U touch	 U_{Touch} U touch	Potential	•	•	•	•

Appendix B – Short-circuit currents in 3p a.c. systems

Voltage factor **c** according to the EN 60909 – 0

Nominal system voltage U_n		Voltage factor c	
	voltage system with a tolerance (Tolerance)	Maximum short-circuit currents C_{max}	Minimum short-circuit currents C_{min}
100 V to 1000 V	±6 %	1.05	0.95
	±10 %	1.10	0.90

Z loop mΩ Measurement

The prospective fault currents I_{Min} and I_{Max} are calculated as follows:

$I_{Min} = \frac{C_{min} U_{N(L-PE)}}{Z_{(L-PE)hot}}$	where	$Z_{(L-PE)hot} = \sqrt{(1.5 \times R_{L-PE})^2 + X_{L-PE}^2}$ $C_{min} = \begin{cases} 0.95; U_{N(L-PE)} \pm 6 \% \\ 0.90; U_{N(L-PE)} \pm 10 \% \end{cases}$
$I_{Max} = \frac{C_{max} U_{N(L-PE)}}{Z_{L-PE}}$	where	$Z_{L-PE} = \sqrt{R_{L-PE}^2 + X_{L-PE}^2}$ $C_{max} = \begin{cases} 1.05; U_{N(L-PE)} \pm 6 \% \\ 1.10; U_{N(L-PE)} \pm 10 \% \end{cases}$

Z line mΩ Measurement

The prospective short-circuit currents I_{Min} , I_{Min2p} , I_{Min3p} and I_{Max} , I_{Max2p} , I_{Max3p} are calculated as follows:

$I_{Min} = \frac{C_{min} \times U_{N(L-N)}}{Z_{(L-N)hot}}$	where	$Z_{(L-N)hot} = \sqrt{(1.5 \times R_{(L-N)})^2 + X_{(L-N)}^2}$ $C_{min} = \begin{cases} 0.95; U_{N(L-N)} \pm 6 \% \\ 0.90; U_{N(L-N)} \pm 10 \% \end{cases}$
$I_{Max} = \frac{C_{max} \times U_{N(L-N)}}{Z_{(L-N)}}$	where	$Z_{(L-N)} = \sqrt{R_{(L-N)}^2 + X_{(L-N)}^2}$ $C_{max} = \begin{cases} 1.05; U_{N(L-N)} \pm 6 \% \\ 1.10; U_{N(L-N)} \pm 10 \% \end{cases}$
$I_{Min2p} = \frac{C_{min} \times U_{N(L-L)}}{Z_{(L-L)hot}}$	where	$Z_{(L-L)hot} = \sqrt{(1.5 \times R_{(L-L)})^2 + X_{(L-L)}^2}$ $C_{min} = \begin{cases} 0.95; U_{N(L-L)} \pm 6 \% \\ 0.90; U_{N(L-L)} \pm 10 \% \end{cases}$
$I_{Max2p} = \frac{C_{max} \times U_{N(L-L)}}{Z_{(L-L)}}$	where	$Z_{(L-L)} = \sqrt{R_{(L-L)}^2 + X_{(L-L)}^2}$ $C_{max} = \begin{cases} 1.05; U_{N(L-L)} \pm 6 \% \\ 1.10; U_{N(L-L)} \pm 10 \% \end{cases}$
$I_{Min3p} = \frac{C_{min} \times U_{N(L-L)}}{\sqrt{3}} \frac{2}{Z_{(L-L)hot}}$	where	$Z_{(L-L)hot} = \sqrt{(1.5 \times R_{(L-L)})^2 + X_{(L-L)}^2}$ $C_{min} = \begin{cases} 0.95; U_{N(L-L)} \pm 6 \% \\ 0.90; U_{N(L-L)} \pm 10 \% \end{cases}$
$I_{Max3p} = \frac{C_{max} \times U_{N(L-L)}}{\sqrt{3}} \frac{2}{Z_{(L-L)}}$	where	$Z_{(L-L)} = \sqrt{R_{(L-L)}^2 + X_{(L-L)}^2}$ $C_{max} = \begin{cases} 1.05; U_{N(L-L)} \pm 6 \% \\ 1.10; U_{N(L-L)} \pm 10 \% \end{cases}$