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# CT Analyzer

# Revolution in Current Transformer Testing and Calibration



# Revolutionary Way of CT Testing



Current transformers are used for relaying and metering purposes in electrical power systems. They connect the high power primary side to the protection and metering equipment on the secondary side. Depending on the application they are used for, current transformers are designed differently.

# Protection current transformers

As it is used to feed protective relays, the CT must be accurate during normal and fault conditions. Failures in transformation could lead to misoperation of the relay along with unwanted and costly outages. To test CTs according to the requirements of modern protection systems, it is compulsory to consider transient components and auto-reclosure systems.

# Metering current transformers

CTs for metering purposes must provide high accuracy up to class 0.1 to guarantee correct billing. It is therefore essential to test and calibrate the metering current transformer, as the entire metering chain is only as accurate as the instrument transformers feeding the meter.

In contrast to protection CTs, metering CTs must go into saturation directly above the nominal primary current level to protect the connected metering equipment.

# CT Analyzer - a new way of testing CTs

The CT Analyzer is the most complete testing system for protection and metering CTs according to IEEE and IEC standards.

It allows all types of single and multi-ratio current transformers to be tested on-site in power system grids. Manufacturer of CTs, transformers or GIS use the CT Analyzer in their production facilities and test / development labs.

The CT Analyzer offers a wide range of measurements, such as:

- CT-ratio and phase-angle accuracy with consideration of nominal and operational burden for various currents
- > CT winding resistance
- > CT excitation / saturation (unsaturated and saturated)
- > ALF and FS (direct and indirect)
- > Burden impedance
- CT residual magnetism



# Automated testing procedure

The CT Analyzer is designed to accurately measure all relevant CT parameters and compare them to the requirements of the defined IEEE or IEC standard. Due to this automated assessment, testing engineers receive the 'pass or fail' decision within seconds.



# The ideal way of testing a current transformer

As energy is supplied by many different sources, power system grids for generation, transmission and distribution are expanded continuously. This makes the use of additional metering and protection CTs necessary. To test all of these CTs in a cost-effective and reliable way, the ideal CT test device fulfills the following requirements:

## Mobility

Test engineers often have to maintain several CTs within one utility. The ideal CT test device would therefore be an all-in-one solution, light enough to be carried by one person. It should be able to measure all parameters without the need for any further equipment (such as a burden box).

### Accuracy

Correct billing is only possible if metering CTs work within their specifications, for all secondary burdens and levels of primary current that are defined in the standards. To test and calibrate these metering CTs, measurement equipment delivering reliable results up to class 0.1 CTs is needed.





### Safety

Equipment for testing CTs on-site must comply to applicable safety standards and regulations. However, the ideal test device avoids the use of high test currents and voltages and conducts tests with as low test voltages as possible to reduce the operator's health and safety risks.

### Handling

Short measurement times and an automated assessment to the respective IEC and IEEE standards characterize modern test equipment. All relevant parameters should be measured in one test cycle without the need for rewiring. Printable test reports, including all measured data and the assessment to the standard, are ideally created automatically by the test device.



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# **Extraordinary Features**



# RemAlyzer

- > Software-based tool to determine the residual magnetism in current transformers
- Analysis of the remanence condition before putting into operation the CT to assure proper function
- > Simplifies power grid failure analysis after unwanted operation of protective relays
- > Demagnetizes the CT core after measurement

Location			-		_		
Station:		1	Feeder:	6	13	Phase:	
Company:		6	Country:			IEC-ID:	
Object:							
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Std:	ANSI 45		P/M:	м	•		
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# **Remote Control**

- > Full access to all functions of the CT Analyzer via a PC using the remote interface
- Optimizes the integration into automated testing procedures in production lines
- > Data export into Excel<sup>™</sup> and Word<sup>™</sup>
- > Customizable testing and reports



# **Network Simulation**

- NetSim is a software tool for network simulation (part of the Test Universe software suite for relay testing)
- > Easy transfer of CT Analyzer measurement data to NetSim
- > Accurate modeling of power systems for network studies and fault simulation testing of protection relays
- > Behavior analysis of protective relays in case of CT saturation



# **Data Handling and Reporting**

- > Test reports can be saved on the Compact Flash Card and transferred to a PC
- > Data and protocols can be shown on a PC via the Excel<sup>™</sup> file loader program
- > Customizable report templates are available, for example:
  - > Different standards, classes and applications
  - Single, multi-core and multi-tap CTs
  - > Three-phase testing
  - > Core testing



# Verification for different burdens and currents

- > Existing measurement data can be loaded to the CT Analyzer at any time
- > Recalculation of the CT parameters for different burdens and primary currents
- No further on-site measurements are necessary to verify whether a change in the burden will influence the accuracy of a CT

	POWER			Current ratio error in % at % of rated current							
VA	cos Phi	Data type	1%	5%	10%	20%	50%	100%	120%	200%	
15	0.8	String value	-0.023	-0.023	-0.021	-0.018	-0.013	-0.010	-0.009	-0.008	
15	0.8	Float value	-0.023	-0.023	-0.021	-0.018	-0.013	-0.010	-0.009	-0.008	
7.5	0.8	String value	-0.008	-0.010	-0.010	-0.008	-0.006	-0.004	-0.003	-0.002	
7.5	0.8	Float value	-0.008	-0.010	-0.010	-0.008	-0.006	-0.004	-0.003	-0.002	
3.75	1	String value	0.005	0.001	0.000	-0.001	0.000	0.000	0.001	0.001	
5.75	'	Float value	0.005	0.001	0.000	-0.001	-0.000	0.000	0.001	0.001	
0	1	String value	0.007	0.005	0.004	0.003	0.003	0.003	0.004	0.004	
U	1	Float value	0.007	0.005	0.004	0.003	0.003	0.003	0.004	0.004	

- > Use of the CT Analyzer as a multimeter with an integrated current and voltage source
- > Perform manual tests (L, Z, R, ratio, polarity, burden etc.) for trouble-shooting and quick verification on site

Automated testing of multi-tap CTs without the need for

Includes terminals for burden and primary resistance tests

Use attached to the CT Analyzer or as a standalone unit

> VT ratio check

**CT SB2 Switchbox** 

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## "Guessing" Nameplates

> Determination of unknown CT data

CTs with up to six taps can be tested

Automatic wiring check before measuring

- Older CTs can be classified and put into service without contacting the manufacturer
- > Determinable parameters include:
  - > CT type
  - > Class
  - > Ratio
  - Knee point
  - > Power Factor
  - > Nominal and operating burden
  - > Winding resistance (primary and secondary)

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# Technical Data

# **Technical features Standard Package**

- > Excellent noise immunity to disturbances from energized power lines close to the measurement
- > Automatic assessment according to IEC 60044-1, or IEEE C57.13 up to accuracy class  $\geq$  0.3
- > Determination of ALF/ALFi and FS/FSi, Ts, and composite error for nominal and connected burden
- > CT ratio and phase measurement with consideration of nominal and connected secondary burden
  - > Currents from 1% up to 400 % of the rated value
  - > Different burdens (full, 1/2, 1/4, 1/8 burden)
- > CT winding resistance measurement (primary and secondary)
- > CT excitation curve (unsaturated and saturated)
  - > Saturation characteristic recording
  - > Direct comparison of excitation curve to a reference curve
- > CT phase and polarity check
- > Secondary burden measurement
- > Automatic demagnetization of the CT after the test
- > Small and lightweight (< 8 kg / 17.4 lbs)
- > Short testing time due to fully automatic testing
- > High level of safety using patented variable frequency method (max. 120 V)
- > "Nameplate guesser" function for CTs with unknown data
- > Remote control interface
- > QuickTest: Manual testing interface
- > Display readable in bright sunlight
- Simulation of measured data with different burdens and currents
- > Easily adaptable reports (customizable)
- Knee-point voltage from 1 V up to 4 kV can be measured

# Additional features Advanced Package

- > Automatic assessment for accuracy class > 0.1 (inclusive classes defined in the IEEE C57.13.6 standard)
- > Measurement of transient behavior of TPS, TPX, TPY and TPZ type CTs
- > Automatic assessment according to IEC 60044-6
- > Determination of the transient dimensioning factor (Ktd)
- > Knee-point voltage from 1 V up to 30 kV can be measured
- > Considering Duty (C-O / C-O-C-O) e.g. auto-reclosure system

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# Technical data CT Analyzer

Current Ratio Accuracy		Environment Conditions			
Ratio 1 - 2000	0.02 % (typical) / 0.05 % (guaranteed)	Operating	-10 °C up to + 50 °C / 14 °F up to 122 °F		
Ratio 2000 - 5000	0.03 % (typical) / 0.1 % (guaranteed)	Temperature			
Ratio 5000 - 10000	0.05 % (typical) / 0.2 % (guaranteed)	Storage Temperature Humidity	-25 °C up to $+$ 70 °C / -13 °F up to 158 °F Relative humidity 5% up to 95% not condensing		
Phase Displacement			condensing		
Resolution			The product adheres to the		
Accuracy	1 min (typical) / 3 min (guaranteed)	ЕМС	electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) Directive 2004 / 108 / EC (CE conform)		
Winding Resistance					
Resolution	1 mΩ	EMC-Emission			
Accuracy	0.05 % (typical) /	International	IEC 61326-1 Class A		
	0.1 % + 1 m $\Omega$ (guaranteed)	Europe	EN 61326-1 Class A		
		USA	FCC Subpart B of Part 15 Class A		
Power Supply					
Input Voltage	100 Vac to 240 Vac	EMC-Immunity			
Permissible Input Voltage	85 Vac to 264 Vac	International	IEC 61326-1		
Frequency	50 / 60 Hz	Europe	EN 61326-1		
Permissible Frequency	45 Hz to 65 Hz				
Input Power Connection	500 VA Standard AC socket 60320	Safety	The product adheres to the low voltage Directive 2006 / 95 / EC (CE conform)		
		International	IEC 61010-1		
Output		Europe	EN 61010-1		
Output Voltage	0 Vac to 120 Vac	USA	UL 61010-1		
Output Current	$0 A_{eff}$ to $5 A_{eff}$ (15 $A_{peak}$ )	Canada	CSA C22.2 No. 1010.1-92		
Output Power	$0 \text{ VA}_{\text{eff}}$ to $400 \text{ VA}_{\text{eff}}$ (1500 VA <sub>peak</sub> )				
output i owei	eff te	Certificates from Inde	pendent Test Institutes		
Physical Dimensions		KEMA Test Report			
Size (W x H x D)	360 x 285 x 145 mm	PTB Test Report			
- (	9.2 x 7.2 x 3.7 in	Wuhan HV Research T	est Report		
Weight	8 kg / 17.4 lbs (without accessories)				

# Ordering information

Name	Order No.	Description
Standard Package	VE000656	CT Analyzer Standard Package
Advanced Package	VE000654	CT Analyzer Advanced Package
Upgrade Standard - Advanced	VESM0653	Software upgrade from Standard to Advanced
CT SB2 Kit	VEHZ0696	Hardware extension to connect and test multi-ratio CTs
Primary Resistance Kit	VEHZ0684	4 pol cable and Kelvin clamps
RemAlyzer	VESM0657	Software License

# Accessories

# Accessories (part of Standard and Advanced Package)

Coax cables	bax cables VEHK0651 - with banana plugs   2 x 3 m / 2 x 9.8 ft,   1 x 10 m / 1 x 32.8 ft		VEHZ0652 - with 4 mm / 0.2 in banana sockets (primary side connection)		
Crocodile clamps	VEHZ0656 - with 4 mm / 0.2 in banana sockets (secondary side connection)	Flexible terminal adapters	VEHS0009 - with 12 x 4 mm / 0.2 in banana socket		
FF	20 mm / 0.8 in opening width, 2 x red, 2 x black				
Compact Flash Card	VEHZ0654 - 128 MB Memory space for at least 416 test reports	Compact Flash card reader	VEHZ0655 - USB 2.0 Compact Flash card reader		
User manual	VESD0605 - User manual	Carry bag	VEHP0018 - CT Analyzer carry bag		
Grounding (PE) cable	VEHK0615 - 1 x 6 m / 1 x 19.7 ft, 6 mm <sup>2</sup> / 0.01 sq in, (protective earth connection)	USB - RS232 converter cable	VEHZ0014 - with Nullmodem cable		
Training CT	VEHZ0643 - 300:5, class 0.5 FS 5	CT Analyzer PC software toolset	VESM0800 - remote control software, QuickTest, Excel File Loader etc.		
Power cord	depends - country-dependent				



# Additional accessories

Calibration CT	VEHZ0649 - 2000:1 / 2000:5, class 0.02	Coax cable	VEHK0657 - with Kelvin clamps, 3 m / 9.8 ft
Pluggable winding	VEHK0658 - Pluggable 23 turns winding	Coax cables	VEHK0654 - 3 m / 9.8 ft* VEHK0652 - 6 m / 19.7 ft* VEHK0653 - 10 m / 32.8 ft* VEHK0655 - 15 m / 49.2 ft* VEHK0656 - 100 m / 328.1 ft* * with banana plugs
CT SB2 upgrade kit	VEHZ0696 - CT SB2 inclusive accessories	Transport case	VEHP0068 - Transport case with wheels
Primary resistance Kit	VEHZ0684 - 4 pole cable 15 m / 49.2 ft (CT SB2 to CTprim), 2x Kelvin clamps		

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Datasheet CT SB2 Switch Box

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