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The **URV** 4 – the first digital meter of the URV series – is a highly sensitive and accurate **millivoltmeter** measuring RF voltages and levels from 10 kHz to 2 GHz, up to 3 GHz if only used as indicator. Both high-impedance measurements using the probe of low capacitive loading and voltage measurements in any coaxial system (up to 350 V) or systems of standard characteristic impedance (50 and 75 Ω) are possible. To this end a comprehensive range of accessories such as probes and measuring heads is available.

System compatibility The URV 4 is available with and without IEC-bus interface, the characteristics remaining the same. In addition to the conventional applications (see also URV3), the instrument fitted with the IEC-bus connector is especially suitable for use in automatic test assemblies and systems.

The digital display gives a readout of the voltage or the level. Its high resolution and accuracy (4000 steps for measuring voltage; 10,000 steps without autoranging) is optimally matched to the overall accuracy of the measuring head and the meter. The measurement ranges can also be pushbutton-selected after switching off the autoranging. The levels are indicated directly in dB relative to 1 mW into 50 Ω in all subranges. When the unknown signal falls out of the selected subrange, the display of the URV 4 flashes.

Additional analog indication To facilitate trimming (tendency indication) and for coarse measurements an additional analog indication is provided on the URV 4 in the form of a row of LEDs. The coverage is 30 dB in steps of 1 dB. Since two LEDs light between steps, level differences of 0.5 dB are discernible. The reference value for the analog scale can be taken from the five additional range indications.

Automatic zeroing The URV 4 features automatic zeroing for voltage measurements in the most sensitive measurement range. It sets the electrical zero at a keystroke doing away with the tedious and error-prone zero setting by means of a zero adjustment potentiometer. Zero correction is not required in the higher measuring ranges.

A level-proportional DC voltage (100 mV/dB) is available at the recorder output provided on the rear panel of the URV 4. Thus with the aid of automatic ranging continuous recording is possible over a dynamic range of 83 dB.

The URV 4 can be powered from the AC supply or an external battery (automatic switchover depending on available AC supply voltage).

Measuring heads (probes, insertion units, adapters)

The measuring heads are freely interchangeable – also with those of the URV3. The RF probe set is supplied with the URV4, the other extras are recommended for use with the set.

RF probe alone:	700 µV to 10 V
	100 kHz to 1 GHz (indicator up to 2 GHz)
RF probe + 20-dB divider:	7 mV to 100 V/2 to 500 MHz
+ 40-dB divider:	: 70 mV to 1000 V/1 to 500 MHz
+ BNC adapter	(with or without divider): measurement in
	any coaxial system up to 350 V
	(probe +40 dB)
+ 75-Ω adapter:	: 700 µV to 10 V/100 kHz to 500 MHz
10-V insertion unit; 50 or	
	10 kHz to 2 GHz (50 Ω)
100-V insertion unit; 50 Ω	2: 7 mV to 100 V
(for powers up to 200 W)	1 MHz to 2 GHz
10-V insertion unit; 50 or 100-V insertion unit; 50 Ω	: 700 μV to 10 V/100 kHz to 500 MHz 75 Ω: 700 μV to 10 V 10 kHz to 2 GHz (50 Ω) Ω: 7 mV to 100 V



Input Impedance of RF probe The input impedance of the RF probe is given by the input capacitance C_{in} (see to the right) and the parallel input resistance R_p , which is dependent on the test voltage (100 k Ω to 1 M Ω between 1 mV and 10 V) and, above 3 MHz, also on the frequency.

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Waveform weighting The URV 4 measures and reads out the rms value in the three most sensitive measurement ranges. At voltages above 1 V, it measures the peak-to-peak value (V_{pp}), but reads out the value $V_{pp}/2\sqrt{2}$ corresponding to the rms value for sinusoidal voltages. The following table gives permissible crest factors for different test voltages with a weighting error of 2 and 5% (blue for peak-value measurement).

Probe +	10-V insertion unit	20-dB divider + 100-V insertion unit	40-dB divider		
Error	2 / 5%	2 / 5%			
Vmeas	crest factor	crest factor	crest factor		
3 mV 10 mV 30 mV 100 mV 300 mV	10/13 3/4 1.7/2	10/13 3/4 1.7/2	10/13		
1 V 3 V 10 V 30 V 100 V 300 V 1000 V	2.2/3,8 4,1/7.2 8.0/15	2.2/3.8 4.1/7.2 8.0/15	3/ 4 1.7/ 2 2.2/3.8 4.1/7.2 8.0/ 15		

Accuracy The operational error consists of the basic error plus the frequency-response error; see the corresponding tables.

Basic error in the indicating range 300 to 4000 or -20 to +5 dBm on the analog scale

	Voltage me	asurement *)	Level measurement *)				
	4 mV to 10 V	0.7 to 4 mV	35 to+33 dBm	45 to -35 dBm	-50to-45 dBm		
+15 to +30 °C	2 % of rdg + 3 digits	1 % of rdg + 30 digits 2 % of rdg + 40 digits 5 % of rdg + 50 digits	0.3 dB	0.4 dB 0.6 dB 1 dB	0.6 dB 0.8 dB 1.2 dB		

*) Used only as indicator at voltages < 0.7 mV or levels <-50 dBm.

Frequency-response error (reflection coefficients as for URV3)

Measuring head	10 Range	KHz 2			kHz 2			Hz 2	10 MHz	100 MH		5		Hz 2
10-V insertion	0.1 to 10 V	F	roze	ent v	х.М.		3			2	5	7	12	20
unit 50 Ω 0	0.7 to 100 mV			1			1	2		3	7	10	12	20
10-V insertion	0.1 to 10 V						1			2	5	7	15	
unit 75 Ω	0.7 to 100 mV						1	2		3	7	10	15	
100-V insertion	1 to 100 V				20	5	2		1	2	5	7	12	20
unit 50 Ω	7 to1000 mV				30	10	3		2	3	7	10	12	20
RF probe *)	0.1 to 10 V		20	5	2				1	3	7	18		
	0.7 to 100 mV		20	5					3	5	10	15		
with	1 to 100 V							20	11	13	16			
20-dB divider	7 to 1000 mV							20	13	15	20			
with	10 to 1000 V						15		6	8	12			
40-dB divider	0.07 to 10 V						20		8	10	15			
with 75-0	0.1 to 10 V		20	5	2				1	3	10			
adapter	0.7 to100 mV		20	5					3	5	12			

*) Probe alone or with 20-dB or 40-dB divider in BNC adapter (50-Ω coaxial system).

Specifications

Instrument

Test input

Tool mpar	
Parameters measured	voltage/level (dBm)
Frequency range	10 kHz to 2 GHz
Voltage range	700 µV to 1000 V
Subranges	4/40/400 mV/4/10 V

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Level range						
Level reference 0 dBm corresponding to 0.2236 (1 mW into 50 Ω) Range of indication	V					
Range of indication	o next					
Auto zeroing						
Readout of measured value						
Range indication, analog 5 LEDs for subranges digital decimal point and unit (mV/V/d	B)					
Digital display Voltage	V					
Analog level indication row of 31 LEDs Indication range						
Recorder output 1 kΩ, shortcircuit-proof Output voltage positive or negative level-propor DC voltage, 0 V at 0 dBm (223.6 100 mV per dB input level varie	imV),					
Dynamic range	625-1					
for controlling the operating mo Interface functions	des DC1					
Connection of measuring head . three-contact female connector URV measuring head)	(for					
RF measuring heads RF probe with 20-dB and 40-dB dividers as well as BNC adapter 75-0 adapter						
10-V insertion unit (50, 75 Ω) 100-V insertion unit (50 Ω)						
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Voltage rating V DC V _{rms} (sinew.) V _p RF probe 400 V 15 V 22 V with 20 dB divider 1000 V 150 V 220 V						
with 40-dB divider 1000 V 1050 V 1500 up to 100 MHz 1000 V 1050 V 1500 up to 500 MHz 1000 V 210 V 1500 10-V insertion unit 50 V 15 V 22 V 100-V insertion unit 1000 V 150 V 220 V 75-Ω adapter (P _{max} = 2W) 12 V 7 V						
Frequency ranges						
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Voltage ranges (level ranges)						
RF probe, 10-V insertion unit 700 μV to 10 V/-50 to +33 dE RF probe with 20-dB divider, 100-V insertion unit 7 mV to 100 V/-30 to +53 dB	Bm					
RF probe with 40-dB divider 70 mV to 1000 V/-10 to +73 Error limits see lefthand column under acc						
General data						
Rated temperature range+5 to +40 °C Operating temperature range20 to +60 °C (measuring hea	ad:					
0 to +45°C) Storage temperature range25 to +75°C (measuring hea -15 to +60°C)						
Power cupply AC cupply 115/220 V +10% 47 to 440 F	17					
(4 VA, model 03; 6 VA) ext. battery	2 V					
Ordering information						
Order designation Millivoltmeter URV 4 with probe						
URV 4 without IEC-bus connector . 292,5012.02 with IEC-bus connector 292.5012.03						
Accessories supplied RF Probe Set URV-Z7, same as for URV3, connector for battery; po cable	ower					
Recommended extras Accessories URV-Z6, 50-Ω/75-Ω adapter and RF insertion units as	for					
URV3 on page 259 Adoptor 27A 1 for 19 ¹ racke 078 8016 00						

Adapter ZZA-1 for 19" racks 078.8016.00