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Model 1205CX

Metallic Time Domain Reflectometer Cable Fault Locator

Sensitive to a Fault



The best TDR just got better!

Innovative new and existing features make the Model 1205CX the most versatile and cost effective TDR available today! The sub-nanosecond pulse width enables the operator to find small faults that can plague high bandwidth systems or can cause digital signal interruption.



- Locate cable faults in all coaxial and twisted pair applications.
- Identify small, often unsuspected faults that may be within inches of each other by using the sub-nanosecond pulse width.
- Use the exclusive SUPER-STORE waveform data storage to store both on-screen and off-screen cable waveform information. The operator can move the cursors, change the VOP, and increase or decrease the gain and zoom settings, even on stored waveforms!
- Live, stored, and multiple waveform display.
- RS-232 Port with WAVE-VIEW for Windows software. Cable waveform information can be analyzed, stored, compared, adjusted, and printed on your computer while your TDR goes back into the field.
- Monitor and locate hard-tofind intermittent faults using the Intermittent Fault Detection (IFD) mode.
- Automatic fault severity calculation and display.
- AUTO-SEARCH and manual cursor placement.



- Measure between any two points on the waveform using unique dual independent cursors.
- Eliminate unwanted waveform noise with multi-level filtering.
- Range feature pre-sets pulse width and distance measurements.

A sub-nanosecond pulse width for *superior* cable fault location.

In the past, it was not as important to be able to detect small imperfections in coaxial cable. Today, communications systems are pushing the upper bandwidth and cable quality is critical. Small faults are a big problem.

Model 1205CX, with a new sub-nanosecond pulse, pinpoints faults which cause micro-reflections that interrupt digital signals. Now, you can locate previously undetected problems which occur only at higher frequencies.

These waveforms show two tests of the same cable. The test on the left uses the 2 nanosecond pulse width. The



1205C, 2 nanosecond, 128x gain

1205CX, sub-nanosecond, 60x gain

test on the right uses the new sub-nanosecond pulse width.

Using Riser-Bond Instruments' Model 1205CX with the sub-nanosecond pulse width results in superior fault location and resolution.

Packaging Rugged, weatherproof case.

2 Display

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High contrast liquid crystal display with electroluminescent backlight.

3 Line Connector

BNC input connector for live waveform testing or comparing a live waveform with a stored waveform.

4 RS-232 Port

Transfer cable waveform information to be analyzed, stored, compared, adjusted and printed on your computer.

5 Waveform Position / Gain

Move, expand and contract the waveform vertically or horizontally.

6 Cable Impedance Selectable output impedance.

7 Pulse Width

Selectable pulse widths for testing various lengths of cable.

8 VOP

RiserBond

Adjustable velocity of propagation allows the operator to test all types of metallic, two-conductor cable.

9 Noise Filter

Multiple filter levels and functions provide unique testing capabilities in noisy environments.

10 Set Up

Specify display preferences and create stored waveform tagging.

11 AUTO-SEARCH and Range AUTO-SEARCH automatically locates major faults and places the cursors for instant readings. Range steps through preset ranges.

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12 Independent Cursors

Cursors can be moved independently for measurement between any two points on the waveform.

13 SUPER-STORE

Store both on and off screen waveform information for more versatile waveform recall, analysis, adjustment and archiving.

14 Display Mode Next / Last

Cycle through various display modes, including a unique INTER-MITTENT FAULT mode.

Product Specifications

Physical I	Dimension	ns:			
Height:	10.5 inches (267 mm)				
Width:	9.75 inches (247.6 mm)				
Depth:	5 inches (127 mm)				
Weight:	8 lbs (3.6 kg)				
Power:	wer: Lead acid or NiCad battery pack.				
External C	harging I	Power Su	pply:		
Input:	110V or 220V (user specified)				
Output:	10 to 18 VAC or VDC, 1A, 49 to 62 Hz,				
	CE approved if used in the European				
	Union. NOTE: The battery charger jack				
	is also used to connect chassis to earth				
	when using the FP-240 Fused Lead/				
	Blocking	filter.			
Environm	ental:				
Operating temperature:					
$0^{\circ}C$ (+32°F) to +50°C (+122°F)					
Typical Operating temperature:					
-15° C (+5°F) to +60°C (-140°F)					
Storage temperature:					
-20°C (-4°F) to +60°C (-140°F)					
Humidity: 95% maximum relative humidity,					
	non-co	ondensing	5.		
Altitude:					
Operating: Sea level to 15,000 ft (4,500 m)					
Non-ope	erating:	50,000 H ((15,000 m)		
Vertical Sensitivity: Greater than 65 dB.					
Vertical Resolution: 14 bits with 93 dots.					
Auto dBRL: 2 digit auto dBRL calculation at cursor set.					
Display:					
128 X 256 dot-matrix, Liquid Crystal Display (LCD)					
with Ele	ctrolumin	escent bac	cklighting.		
Horizonta	l Resoluti	ion:			
<2000 ft (610 m): < .05 ft (.02 m) at .990 VOP					
		<.02 ft (< .01 m) at	.300 VOP	
>2000 ft (610 m):		1 ft (.10 m) at any VOP			
Waveform Storage: All with 14 bit vertical resolution.					
Standa	rd Op	otional	Samples	per waveform	
4		16	1	2,000	
8		32		6,000	

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Distance Accuracy:

+/- .05 ft (.02 m) plus +/- .01% of reading. Accuracy will vary with VOP and cable type.

Output Pulse: Selectable output pulse widths.

Maximum Range:

63,700 feet (19,400 meters) at .990 VOP 38,600 feet (11,700 meters) at .600 VOP Maximum testable cable lengths varies with pulse width and cable type.

Output Impedance:

Front panel selection of 50, 75, 93, and 125 ohm, +/- 5%.

Output Connector: Front Panel Female BNC.

Automatic/Manual Noise Filter:

Standard: Two averaging filters. Optional: Multifunction/level filter routines.

Velocity of Propagation: Keypad selection from .300 to .990.

Input Protection:

400 volts (AC+DC) from DC to 400 Hz and decreases to 10 volts at 1 MHz. *Caution:* Specification for transient input protection only. Do not connect to powered cable of any kind without the Fused Lead/Blocking filter accessory (FP-240, P/N 163-0024-00) available for this type of connection. See Fused Lead / Blocking filter operator's manual for safety precautions.

Serial I/O Port: RS-232

Accessories:

Standard: Battery pack, Battery charger, Connectors, Manual, WAVE-VIEW software diskettes, Shoulder strap, Clip-on accessory bag.

Optional: Custom soft-side carrying case, Strand hooks kit, Additional waveform storage, Additional filtering, Extended warranty, Fused Lead / Blocking filter.

Safety:

EN61010-1:1993 inc AMD A2:1995

This equipment has been designed in accordance with EN61010-1, safety requirements for electrical equipment for measurement, control and laboratory use, installation Category III and Pollution Degree 2, and has been supplied in a safe condition.

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