EXAMPLE

Faulted cable is 25000 meters long. The value read in position ”E”, LE, is 24.7%, the value LB is 24.7 %.

the cable has only one contact at distance:

$$\frac{24.7 \times 25000}{100} = 6175$$

meters from the Outside end of the cable.

SPECIFICATIONS

Can test cables with a loop resistance ≥ 5mΩ (≈ 90 m @ 300 mm^2) and ≤ 30 kΩ.

Range: > *100 km @ 300 Ω/km*

Basic accuracy: ± *0.1 %* ± *1 digit*

Maximum measuring current: *1A*

Maximum applied voltage: *70 mV*

Power supply: *7.2 ÷ 9V , 6 x AA size Alkaline or NiCd/NiMh batteries*

Battery life: *1000 measur. @ 100 mΩ*

Weight: *520 g*

Dimensions: *110 x 204 x 41 mm*

TROUBLESHOOTING

No display dim display	Dead battery. Instrument failure.
Unstable measurement	Dead battery. Cable to test not faulted. Measurement carried out immediately after a voltage test. Cable to test too short. Cable to test not connected. Broken test leads. Instrument failure.

CALIBRATION

Our instruments are calibrated using the following standards

Datron 4705 Autocal Multifunction Calibrator
Yokogawa 7563 Precision Digital Thermometer
GenRad 1686 Digital Capacitance Meter
Agilent 66309D Mobile Communic. Source
HP 34401 Multimeter
HP 34970A Data Acquisition Unit
Burster 1424 IEEE488 High Precision Decade
Tettex 3200/BU Standard Resistor
AOIP 0,01 Ω Standard Resistor
Tettex Decade Capacitors
ARCO Standard Capacitors
JBC 5001 Standard Capacitor
Lecroy LT264ML Oscilloscope
Haefely PU12 Impulse tester
Schaffner NSG431 Electr. Discharge Simulator
Lecroy 9109 Arbitrary Function Generator
Norbar 40051 Torque meter
HP 3577A Network Analyzer

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USER MANUAL

Short circuit locator for metallic cables

Mod. *A910*

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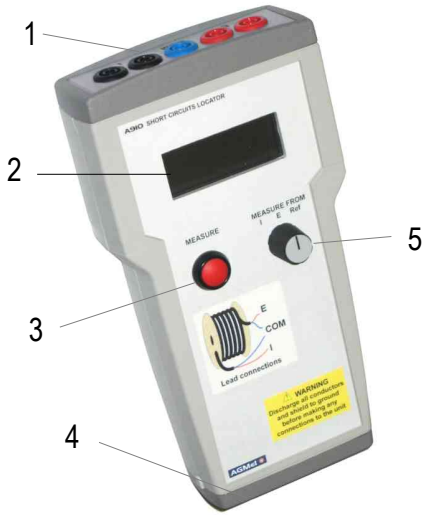
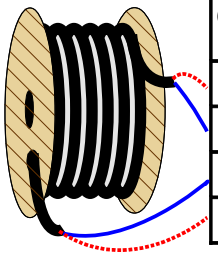


1 probes connector 4 battery holder

2 display 5 measure mode select

3 measure switch



Connect wire	with lead
A	E
B	COM
B	COM
A	I

Lead connections

DESCRIPTION

The A910 is a short circuit locator for electric, telephone and power cables wind on the reel; it gives the position of the fault from the inside or outside end of the cable, in percentage to the total cable length.

HOW TO USE IT

Ground the cable to be tested from any electrical charges.

If wire “A” is short with “B”, connect the crocodile clips to the cable:

1) the crocodile clip “I” to “A” from the inside end.

2 the crocodile clip “E” to “A” from the outside end.

3) the crocodile clip “COM” to “B” from the outside end.

Perform a calibration test:
turn the measure mode knob to “Ref” and push the measure switch, the display will show 100.0 ± 0.1 %, otherwise: :

a) the cable has a total resistance below 5 mΩ

b) the cable has some electrostatic charges within

c) the test leads are broken.

Turn the measure mode knob to “E” and push the measure switch, read on the display the value LE, length of the cable (in percentage to the total cable length) from clip “E” to the short.

Switch the crocodile clip “COM” to wire “B” from the inside end

push the measure switch, read on the display the value LB; if LE = LB ± 0.1 %, than the cable has just one short at distance:

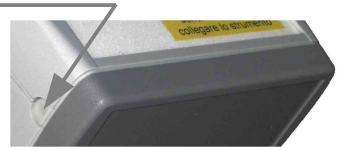
$$\frac{\text{(Value LE) x (total length of cable)}}{100}$$

from the outside end of the cable.

If LE ≠ LB ± 0.1 %, the cable has more than one short and the distance to fault is calculated making use of the program supplied with the instrument.

To measure the distance to fault from the inside end of the cable, turn the measure mode knob in position “I” and push the measure switch.

To remove the battery door push the two gray plastic tabs.



Be careful to observe battery polarity during installation !

WARNINGS AND SAFETY RULES

The locator is protected against electrical charges, but in some conditions these charges on the wire can accumulate and can be dangerous for the technician, therefore

always ground the cable before any measurement

Do not short the clips “I” with “E” for a long time, otherwise the battery life will be reduced.

The calibration test is possible only after a cable is connected.

The crocodile clips “I” and “E” are special Kelvin clips, **do not force the opening.**