

PCM-40 PCM Channel Analyzer PCS-40 PCM Channel Selector



For codec and line card tests on PCM multiplexers and digital exchanges

Determining long-term stability (aging)

Communications systems and network elements are subjected to a wide variety of environmental influences which adversely affect component performance to a greater or lesser degree. If the effect of such influences on, say, system gain are to be recorded, the PCM-40 provides support for this application. During system line-up, the results and instrument configuration are stored so that they can easily be recalled. In the subsequent measurement, these results are displayed within the tolerance mask and the new result trace is superimposed. The instrument then determines the difference between the two measurements so that the deviation can be seen directly.

Status of connected test signal

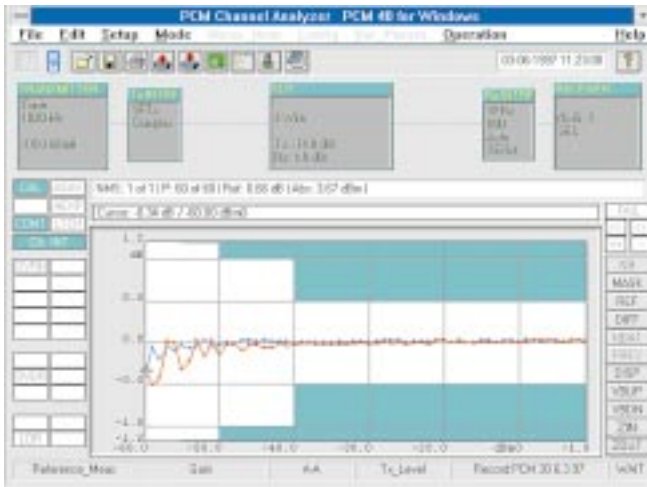
The PCM-40 continuously monitors the connected test signal during the measurement and displays the result on the front panel and in detail on the screen. This keeps you informed of the status and prevents incorrect interpretation of the measurement results.

Storage of measurement configurations

The test equipment settings required for routine or specialized manually-performed measurements, along with explanatory comments, can simply be stored by the PCM-40. The number of setups which can be stored is limited only by the system resources of the computer you are using.

- *Ideal for installation, line-up, commissioning, fault localization and repairs*
- *Handy, modern concept for field applications based on a lightweight analyzer module and IBM-compatible PC or notebook*
- *Menu operation with color (or monochrome) VGA display*
- *Graphical presentation of all results with flexible zooming and scaling*
- *User definable:*
 - *variable test parameters*
 - *automatic test sequences*
 - *graphical tolerance masks*
- *Large memory for instrument settings and test results on PC hard disk*
- *Numerical and graphical result printout on PC printers with selectable conditions*
- *Complete digital and analog tests to ITU-T Recs. G.712 and O.133/O.162*
- *Complex impedances*
- *PCM30 and PCM31 frame structures including CRC error detection code*
- *Comprehensive codec, frame and CAS measurement capabilities incl. G.821 BERT*
- *High accuracy and reproducibility of test results*
- *Selective measurement capability with 30 Hz filter*
- *Monitoring of signalling status for all 30 VF channels (CAS)*
- *Loop, MUX/DEMUX, and Drop & Insert modes for analog and 64 kbit/s interface*
- *Optional 64 kbit/s interface with co- and contradirectional clock to ITU-T Rec. G.703 for D&I and BERT modes*
- *Control of PCS-40 Channel Selector*





The fall-off in gain can be clearly seen. The blue trace was recorded on commissioning the system, the red trace at a later date. The “DIFF RESLT” function determines the difference between the two traces. The zoom function and cursors allow every detail to be examined.

PARAMETERS_USED		CONFIG_RECORDS		PARAMETERS_USED		CONFIG_RECORDS	
#	NAME	UNIT	TYPE	#	NAME	UNIT	TYPE
1.	Total_Error		dB	1-6	PC02B0C0		
2.	Peak_Code		dB	1-6	PC02B0C0		
3.	Weighted_Noise		dB	1-6	PC02B0C0		
4.	Gain		dB	1-6	PC02B0C0		

A test configuration (setup) includes all test and interface parameters required to perform a measurement. The setup name is used to relate the setup to a particular device under test

Automatic test sequences

You can produce automatic test sequences by combining several test configurations together from the range of setups which you have stored. All of the measurement functions included in the PCM-40, along with any variations in test variables, parameters and tolerance limits, can be used for this in any order required. The sequence can be programmed to stop if an incorrect result is obtained or before each different measurement task.

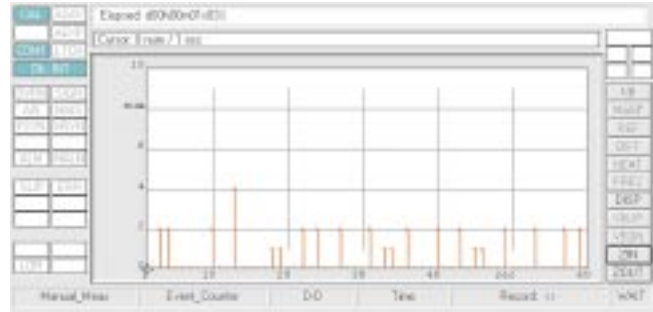
Monitoring digital paths in through mode or via high-impedance taps

For long-term monitoring of 2 Mbit/s paths, the circuit can be looped-through the PCM-40 transparently or tapped via a high impedance monitor point. If the power supply fails during loop-through measurements, the signal path is not interrupted. The following measurements can be performed:

- Frame monitoring with FAS errors recorded as histograms
- Level, frequency and coder level monitoring including audio monitoring in a selected channel
- Recording of byte changes in the selected frame or data channel
- Signaling status display for individual channels

Quality monitoring in an idle channel

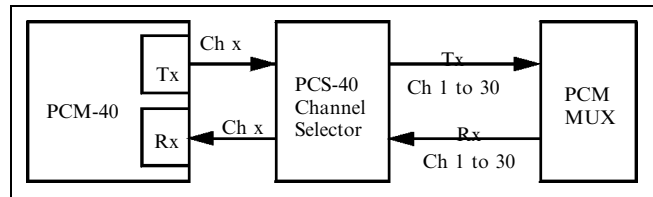
Facilities for monitoring the quality of PCM systems which do not use CRC frames are limited to monitoring the frame alignment signals. The PCM-40 can, however, perform a loop-back or end-to-end measurement to ITU-T G.821 in an idle channel. The instrument transmits a test pattern which it then evaluates. The results can be shown as a table or as an error histogram.



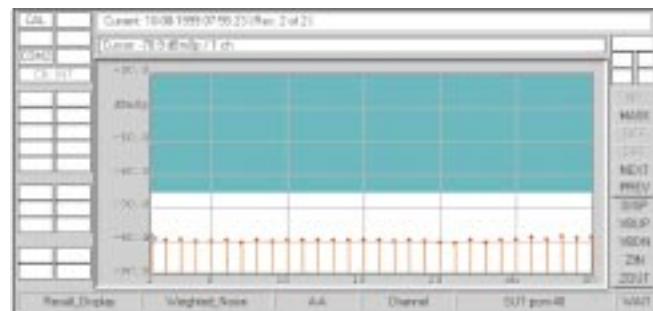
Errors in the idle channel shown with their times of occurrence. Sporadic faults can thus be easily seen and matched in time to possible sources of interference.

PCM-40 as an automated measuring system

When testing PCM multiplexers, the PCS-40 Channel Selector connects up to 30 analog TX and RX channels sequentially to the PCM-40 analog test ports. The PCS-40 Channel Selector allows return loss and longitudinal conversion loss measurements on individual VF channels using the built-in bridges. Also test needing D.C. loop holding circuit or feeding bridge are possible. The result is a flexible and powerful test system well suited to production, installation and maintenance of 2 Mbit/s multiplexers.



Automatic sequential connection of up to 30 analog Tx and Rx ports of a PCM MUX equipment to the PCM-40 Channel Analyzer



30 channel automatic sequential weighted noise measurement

Test modes and configurations

Test modes	Variable parameters	Test configuration						
		A-A	A-D	D-A	D-D	T-D	D-T	T-T
Gain or loss	Channel	⊗	⊗	⊗	⊗			
	Frequency Tone, MTTS/ Level/Tone, Nopise/Time	●	●	●	●			
	Frequency & Channel Level & Channel	⊗	⊗	⊗	⊗			
Transhybrid loss	Frequency				● ¹⁾			
Level	Channel	⊗	⊗	⊗	⊗			
	Frequency, Time	●	●	●	●			
Received level	Channel Level			⊗ ●				
Peak code	Channel Level		⊗ ●					
Coder offset	Channel Level		⊗ ●					
Total distortion	Channel Level & Channel	⊗	⊗	⊗	⊗			
	Level/Tone, Noise	●	●	●	●			
Weighted noise	Channel	⊗	⊗	⊗				
	Time	●	●	●				
Far end crosstalk	Channel Level	⊗ ●	⊗ ●	⊗ ●				
Near end crosstalk	Channel Level	⊗ ●			⊗ ●			
Group delay/Distortion	Frequency/MTTS	●	●	●	●			
Dual tone intermodulation	Channel Level	⊗ ●	⊗ ●	⊗ ●	⊗ ●			
Return loss	Channel Frequency Frequency & Channel	⊗						
Longitudinal balance	Channel Frequency Frequency & Channel	⊗						
Frame Monitor/O.162,G.821	Time (FAS, Channel)				●			
Word test	Time				●	●	●	●
Event counter	Time				●	●	●	●
BERT/G.821	Time				●	●	●	●
Channel associated signaling status	Time				●			
Signaling distortion					●			
Drop & Insert			●	●		●	●	

A = 600, 900 Ω or complex, 4-wire or 2-wire analog interface
D = 2048 kbit/s digital interface to ITU-T Recs. G.703, G.704
T = 64 kbit/s digital interface to ITU-T Rec. G.703 (optional)

● indicates available test configurations
⊗ available only with PCS-40

1) with external 2-wire termination

Specifications

PCM 40 PCM Channel Analyzer

Analog signal generator

Sinewave signal	
Frequency range	200 to 3600 Hz
Resolution	.4 Hz
Frequency accuracy	$\pm 50 \times 10^{-6}$
Harmonic distortion	> 56 dB at 0 dBm0
Level range	-60 to +5 dBm0
Level increments	0.1 dB
Dual-tone signal	
Frequency range	200 to 3600 Hz
Resolution	.4 Hz
Level range	-60 to -1 dBm0
Level	same for both spectral lines
Pseudo-random noise signal to ITU-T Rec.O.131	
Sequence repetition rate (period)	256 ms
Bandwidth	350 to 550 Hz
Peak factor	10.5 dB
Level range	-60 to 0 dBm0
Level increments	0.1 dB
MTTS (Multi Tone Test Signal)	
Frequency range	200 to 3860 Hz
Level range	-30 to +0 dBm0
Levels	same for all 37 spectral lines
Output	
Impedance	600 Ω , 900 Ω , and complex ¹⁾
Return loss	> 36 dB (200 to 4000 Hz)
Balance	> 50 dB (200 to 3600 Hz)
Relative level/increments	-15 to +5 dB/0.1 dB
Max. d.c. voltage	60 V (between a/b and ground)
Connector	balanced, 3pole CF

Auxiliary signal generator

Sinewave signal	
Frequency range	200 to 3600 Hz
Resolution	.4 Hz
Level range/increments	-60 to -30 dBm0/0.1 dB
Impedance	600 Ω
Connector	balanced, 3pole CF
Output	
Impedance	600 * Ω
Return loss	> 36 dB (300 to 3600 Hz)
Balance	> 46 dB (200 to 3600 Hz)
Max. d.c. voltage	60 V (between a/b and ground)
Connector	balanced, 3pole CF

Analog receiver

Filters	
Flat filter	200 to 3600 Hz
Psophometric filter	to ITU-T Rec. O.41
Selective filter	between 200 and 3600 Hz, center frequency settable in 4 Hz increments, bandwidth 30 Hz
Filter for distortion measurement	850 to 3250 Hz or 1380 to 3240 Hz
Notch filter	at aux. signal frequency, bandwidth 30 Hz
Level measuring range (minimum)	
Signal level	-60 to +8 dBm0
Resolution	0.01 dB
Noise, crosstalk	-80 to 0 dBm0
Resolution	0.01 dB
Relative level range/increments	-15 to +5 dB/0.1 dB
Group delay distortion	
Resolution	0 to 10 ms
Resolution	0.1 ms
Input	
Impedance	600 Ω , 900 Ω , > 30 k Ω and complex ¹⁾
Return loss	> 36 dB (200 to 4000 Hz)

Balance	> 50 dB (200 to 4000 Hz)
Max. d.c. voltage	60 V (between a/b and ground)
Connector	balanced, 3pole CF

Digital signal generator

PCM frame structure		to ITU-T Rec. G.704	
32 channel PCM frame containing			
30 telephone channels, or			
31 telephone channels			time slots 1 to 31
Encoding law			ITU-T Rec. G.711, A or μ law
Sinewave signal			
Frequency range	200 to 3600 Hz		
Resolution	.4 Hz		
Frequency accuracy	$\pm 50 \times 10^{-6}$		
Harmonic distortion	as per A or μ law		
Level range/increments	-60 to +3.1 dBm0/0.1dB		
Dual-tone signal			
Frequency range	200 to 3600 Hz		
Resolution	.4 Hz		
Level range	-60 to -5 dBm0		
Pseudo-random noise signal to ITU-T Rec. O.131			
Sequence repetition rate (period)	256 ms		
Bandwidth	350 to 550 Hz		
Peak factor	10.5 dB		
Level range	-60 to 0 dBm0/0.1 dB		
MTTS (Multi-Tone Test Signal)			
Frequency range	200 to 3860 Hz		
Levels	same for all 37 spectral lines		
Level range/increments	-30 to 0 dBm0/0.1 dB		
Group delay measuring signal			MTTS
Test patterns			PRBS6, PRBS9, PRBS11, PRBS15
Insertion in			voice channels 1 to 30
Freely selectable n x 8 bit word sequence			n = 1 to 60
Insertion in			FAS, FAW, MFW, channel, signalling channel
Repetitions			1 to 9999 or continuous
Freely selectable FAS sequence			n x 7 bits, n = 1 to 60
Freely selectable MFAS sequence			n x 4 bits, n = 1 to 60
Error insertion			FAS, MFAS, MFW, channel, signalling channel
Error ratio			5×10^{-3} to 5×10^{-7}
Digital milliwatt signal			to ITU-T rec. G.711
Output			
Bit rate			2048 kbit/s
Interface parameters			to ITU-T rec. G.703
Line code			HDB3 or AMI
Unbalanced impedance			75 Ω
Connector			coaxial, BNC
Balanced impedance			120 Ω
Connector			balanced, 3pole CF
Operating mode			
Loop-through (2 Mbit/s)			
Test pattern insertion into one time slot			
Analysis of one time slot			
Generator operation			
from internal clock			2048 kHz $\pm 50 \times 10^{-6}$
or external clock			2048 kHz $\pm 100 \times 10^{-6}$
or clock derived from received signal			
Digital loops			
2 Mbit/s loop			all time slots switched through
2 Mbit/s loop			one selected time slot generated internally, remainder switched through
2 Mbit/s loop			all time slots switched through but channels shifted by 15

1) Complex impedance: 220 Ω in series with 820 Ω in parallel with 115 nF;
other values on request

Digital receiver

PCM frame structure to ITU-T Rec. G.704
(see digital signal generator)

Encoding law to ITU-T Rec. G.711, A or μ law
Filters

Flat filter 200 to 3600 Hz
Psophometric filter to ITU-T Rec. O.41
up to 3960 Hz

Selective filter between 200 and 3600 Hz,
center frequency can be set with 4 Hz increments,
bandwidth 30 Hz

Filter for distortion measurement 850 to 3250 Hz
or 1380 to 3240 Hz

Notch filter at aux. signal frequency, bandwidth 30 Hz

Alarm detection no signal, frame loss, multiframe loss,
AIS, multiframe AIS, remote alarm,
remote multiframe alarm

Evaluation

Bit error count, event count, recording
of transients in digital words FAS, FAW, MFW,
signalling channel, telephone channel

Telephone channel r.m.s value
measurement -80 to +6 dBm0

ITU-T G.821 evaluation bit errors, FAS errors

Error results displayed as histograms

Input

Bit rate 2048 kbit/s

Interface parameters to ITU-T Rec. G.703

Line code HDB3 or AMI

Unbalanced input impedance 75 Ω or > 2 k Ω

Connector coaxial, BNC

Balanced input impedance 120 Ω or > 2 k Ω

Connector balanced, 3pole CF

Clock from received signal

Pulling range $\pm 100 \times 10^{-6}$

Measurement interval 60 s to 72 h

Instrument set-up memory depends on PC resources
available

Automatic measurement sequences

Individual measurements linked
to a sequence max. number depends
on PC resources available

Result documentation

Result output to external printer

Output in table or graph formats

Result output as ASCII file to disk

Result in table format can be saved to disk with printout
using DOS "PRINT" command.

Result storage and test configuration storage

Depends on PC resources available

Self-test and level calibration

Triggered automatically by opening the measurement menu

Codec interface/Handset interface

Input/output impedance 600 Ω
Connector RJ11

64 kbit/s interface (optional)

Output/input to ITU-T Rec. G.703

Modes codirectional, contradirectional

Balanced output 120 Ω

Connector balanced, 3pole CF

Clock output 120 Ω

Connector balanced, 3pole CF

General specifications

Control computer for PCM-40

PC AT 486

WIN 3.1, WIN 95, 98, NT

min. 600 kB free conventional memory

min. 256 kB free EMS memory

min. 40 MB free HD space

VGA monitor (color or monochrome)

serial or GPIB (National Instr.) interface

Communication interfaces for PCM-40

Serial I (for computer control) RS232C/V.24

Serial II (for modem connection) RS232C/V.24

GPIB/ <IEC 625 > 8.5 /IEEE-488.1-1978 (for computer control)

Power supply

External adapter with a.c. line cord

AC supply 100 to 240 V, 50 to 60 Hz

Power consumption 25 VA

Ambient temperature

Nominal range of use +5 to +45 $^{\circ}$ C

Limits range of use (for 2 hours) 0 to +55 $^{\circ}$ C

Storage and transport range -40 to +70 $^{\circ}$ C

Air humidity

Nominal range of use 20 to 80% r.h. (< 20 g/m³ absolute)

Dimensions (l x w x h) 290 x 230 x 70 mm

Weight approx. 3.5 kg

Specifications PCS 40 PCM Channel Selector

Test ports (Ch x)

Maximum level	+20 dBm
Max. d.c. voltage (between a/b and ground)	60 V
Max d.c. current	100 mA
Impedance	600 Ω
Insertion loss between test port and selected Tx/Rx port (200 Hz to 4 kHz)	<0.02 dB
Connector	balanced, 3-pole CF

Access ports (Ch 1 to Ch 30)

Balanced through-switching of up to 30 VF channels in Tx and Rx directions	Connector DIN 41612 type socket, 64 way, female
Switching time	< 10 ms

Return loss measurement

Built-in bridge for return loss measurements on a selectable VF channel	Measurement range	0 to 45 dB
	Frequency range	200 Hz to 4 kHz
	Accuracy	0 to 30 dB 1 dB 30 to 45 dB 2 dB
	Reference impedance	internal 600 Ω external (connected to auxiliary input) 600 to 900 Ω
	Max. input level	200 Hz to 300 Hz -6 dBm 300 Hz to 4 kHz 0 dBm

Longitudinal conversion loss (LCL) measurement

Built-in bridge for LCL measurements according to ITU-T Rec. O.9 on a selectable VF channel	Measurement range	5 to 56 dB
	Frequency range	200 Hz to 4 kHz
	Accuracy	5 to 46 dB 1 dB 46 to 56 dB 2 dB
	Terminating impedance	600 Ω
	Max. input level	-6 dBm

DC current loop

Two built-in current loops connected to each test port	DC current	<150 mA
	Voltage drop at 20 mA (100 mA)	<5.5 V (< 12 V)
	Output impedance (200 Hz to 4 kHz)	approx. 30 k Ω

DC feeding bridge

Two built-in current loops connected to each test port	Supply voltage (It = 0)	approx. 30 V
	Supply current (Rt = 400 Ω)	> 20 mA
	Supply current (Rt = 0 Ω)	approx. 38 mA
	Output impedance (200 Hz to 4 kHz)	approx. 50 k Ω
	LCL (200 Hz to 4 kHz)	> 45 dB

Line status indication (TX and RX)

Line feeding voltage on
Line looped

Remote control

Control of all functions from PCM-40 Channel Analyzer or personal computer via GPIB/IEC625/IEEE488 interface	Interface	IEEE 488 connector
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General specifications

Power supply

External adapter with a.c. line cord	AC supply	100 to 240 V, 50 to 60 Hz
	Power consumption	10 VA
	(One adapter can supply both the PCM-40 and PCS-40)	

Ambient temperature

Nominal range of use	+5 to +45 $^{\circ}$ C
Limits range of use (for 2 hours)	0 to +55 $^{\circ}$ C
Storage and transport range	-40 to +70 $^{\circ}$ C

Air humidity

Nominal range of use	20 to 80% r.h. (< 20 g/m ³ absolute)
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Dimensions (l x w x h)

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Weight

Weight	approx. 2 kg
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Ordering information

PCM-40 Channel Analyzer	EL 3039/01
Including AC adapter, RS232C/V.24 cable and operation manual (in English)	
A separate PC is required for operation	
Calibration report for PCM-40	EL 3039/60

PCS-40 Channel Selector	EL 3039/20
Including return loss and longitudinal conversion loss (LCL) measuring bridge, DC current loop and DC feeding bridge, cables for interconnection of PCM-40 and PCS-40, 64 way female connector set for accessing PCM MUX and operation manual (in English)	

Options	
64 kbit/s Interface (for codirectional/contradirectional clock) for BERT and D&I	EL 3039/01
Impedance modification (replaces complex impedance)	EL 3039/02

Accessories	
GH-1 DC Loop Holding/Line Feeding	BN 0984/00.12
Nylon Carrying Case (for PCM-40, Notebook PC and accessories)	EL 2237/01
TPK-960/33 Transport Container (for PCM-40, PCS-40, Notebook PC and accessories)	BN 960/00.09
64-way female connector set for PCS-40	EL 3039/203
IEEE Interface cable for PCS-40	EL 3039/201
AC Adapter for PCS-40	EL 3039/202

Documentation	
Service manual for PCM/PCS-40 (in English)	EL 3039/83

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