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Cable Fault Tester



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Notice: Thank you for selecting our product. This device is highly integrated precise instrument with same function of notebook. Do not use to surf on internet if without testing cable fault, to avoid virus and bring inconvenience to your test work and equipment maintenance . We suggest you to arrange professional person operate and keep. Please charge regularly once a month. Do not open host chassis if not professional.

Warning:

When test power cable's high resistance fault , by taking impulse flash method the fault point should be discharged and have an open flame . Please note that it is strictly prohibited to test in high gas, high concentration flammable gas environment. In case of safety accident cause by wrong use, the equipment manufacturer has nothing to do with it!

Chapter I Functions introduction

Electric cable faults testing device is networking cable fault test platform based on embedded computer platform. It is integrated USB communication technology, touch-screen technology and 3G communication technology and this greatly improved the performance of the instrument in practice and is easy to operate.

This device provides you a specified cable management software to reduce your workload. The whole system meet the requirements of general technical conditions for testing equipment "DL/T849.1 ~ DL/T849.3-2004", Electric Power Industry Standards of the Peoples' Republic of China.

The test system is composed three parts: a host computer system ,path tracer and cable fault locator . It is mainly used for testing all kinds of power cable fault, cable route, cable burial depth and daily management and maintenance of cable data. It can also be used for accurate testing of railway and airport signal control cable fault and streetlight cable fault.

- ◆Adopts embedded industrial computer platform, Industrial grade using environment,high stability. Lithium electricity power supply, convenient for site test.
- ◆12.1 inch large screen system,touch mouse operation,Computer XP operating platform integrated software.
- ◆Adopts the latest USB communication interface,signal collecting stability, can realize double control and double display by use with a notebook computer, The host can automatically select five kinds of sampling frequency from 6.25MHz to 100MHz, adaptive pulse width can meet the testing requirements of different cable lengths to reduce the rough measurement error and improve test accuracy.
- ◆Software realize searching fault automatically , display distance automatically , double vernier movement which can be accurate to 0.15 m. Waveform can be freely compressed and extended,two waveforms closer to the standard displaying in one screen for you to accurately compare and analyze, improve test accuracy and reduce

error.

◆The host can equip with WIFI receiver and 3G software to get remote on-site test help and suggestions from our experts. Technicians can help on-site testing through android testing software at any time and anywhere.

◆ 8G memory multiple kinds of field waveform and field wiring diagram,can be used with a tap.

◆Precise locator can directly display the distance from tester to fault point. We use squelch technology which is another innovation of domestic similar products. It helps you in locating fault precisely and quickly and also helps your reduce damage and loss arising from power off.

◆The newly developed intelligent combined sampler has replaced the tedious field connection. It has the features of intuitive waveform, easy analysis, complete isolation from the high voltage, and absolute safety for the main engine and operators.

Test parameters

Can test cable fault at different voltage levels. Can test cable fault of different cable sections, different dielectric and different cable materials. Can test open-circuit cable fault, short-circuit cable fault, low-resistance cable fault, high-resistance leakage cable fault and high-resistance flash-over cable fault.

1) Can test all faults of railway communication control cable, streetlight cable and airport signal cable.

2) Can test wave transmitting velocity in any cable of known length.

3) Can test buried route and depth of power cable.

Test distance: no less than 60Km

Min. test distance (non-detection area): 0-5m or without

Locating error: $\pm 0.2m$

Test error: system error is no ore than $\pm 1\%$

*Resolution: V/fm,V is transmitting velocity m/ μ s; software cursor is 0.15m.

Sampling frequency: 6.25MHz,12.5MHz,25MHz,50MHz,100MHz (Adaptive pulse width).

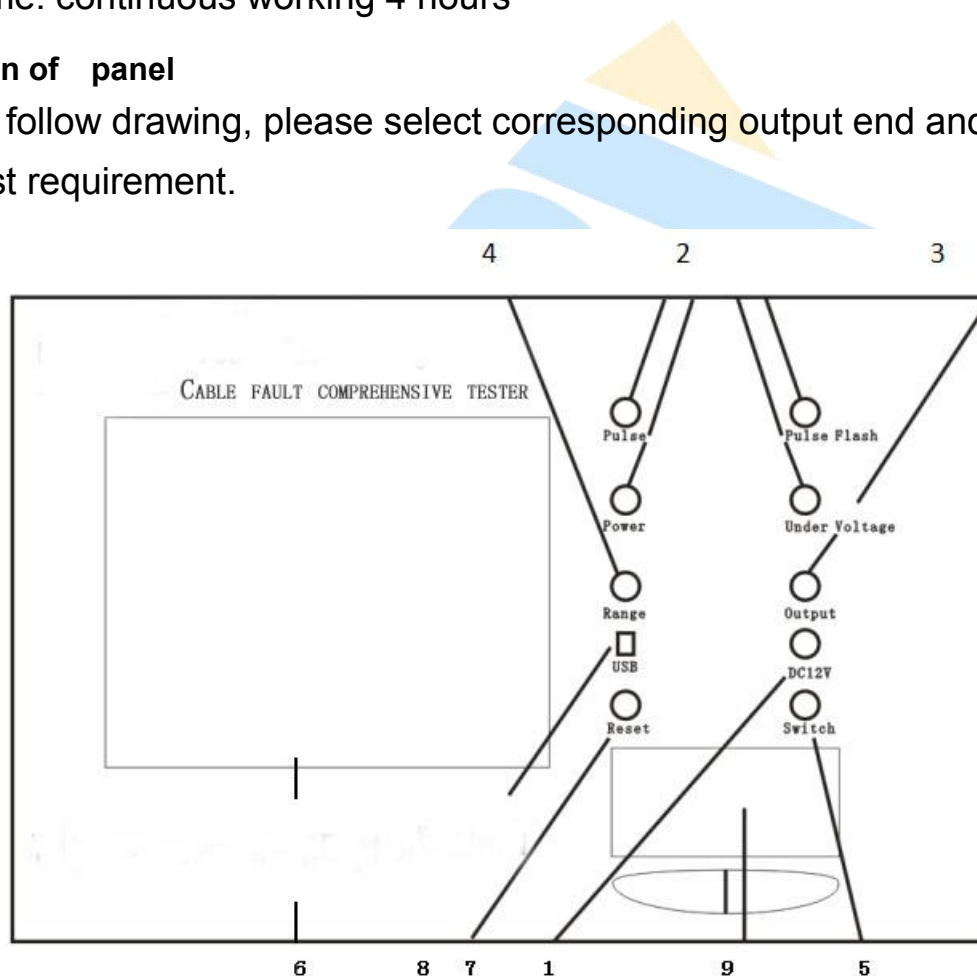
Power source and power consumption: AC 220V $\pm 10\%$, power consumption ≤ 15 W

DC 12V(7AH), power consumption ≤ 20 W

Standby time: continuous working 4 hours

2.Introduction of panel

panel is as follow drawing, please select corresponding output end and switch according to test requirement.



1) **Power adapter:** AC220V, 50Hz , a full charge require 6 hours .

2) Indicating light

Power indication : Monochromatic diode , red light is always on when instrument work normally.

Under-voltage indication: Red diode light is on and alarm ring when

under-voltage.

If the host displays under-voltage, please shut down the device and charging by 220V adapter . After 30 seconds, you can restart the device.

Low voltage pulse indication: Green diode light is on after start, work statue is pulse method testing.

Impulse flash-over indication: Red diode, red light is on when working statue is in multiple pulse sampling position.

3) **Output socket:** BNC—50KY (Q9) plug for signal output.

4) **Output amplitude:** This is used for adjusting input and output pulse amplitude according to waveform displayed in LCD. If adjustment is not enough, reflection pulse will be very small even can not be sampled(as shown in Fig.3). If over adjust, reflection pulse wont intersect with baseline even baseline will be a oblique line(as shown in Fig.4). Usually, adjust amplitude button to 1/3, then adjust again according to sampling waveform or re-sample.

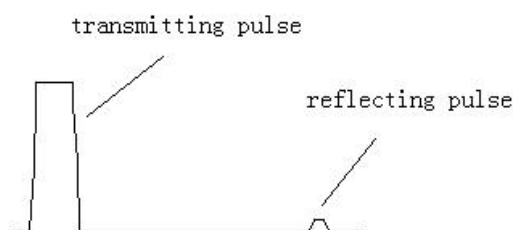


Fig. 3



Fig. 4

5) **Switch:** Press to start system and enter working interface. Please shutdown according to Windows XP tips. Do not shutdown system by this button.

6) **Display Screen:** 12.1in. LCD with touch screen system. It is strictly forbidden to overpressure the non-touch system by hand,operate by touch mouse on the lower right corner,forbidden to put heavy object on screen or squeeze it.

7) **Reset:** Refresh main board program. Press this button after start, pulse indication light will flash one time and test program is in working statue. Please exit system and press refresh button to refresh program once there is a port error hint and re-enter test program.

8) **USB:** Can send waveform and date to computer to analyze, store and print.

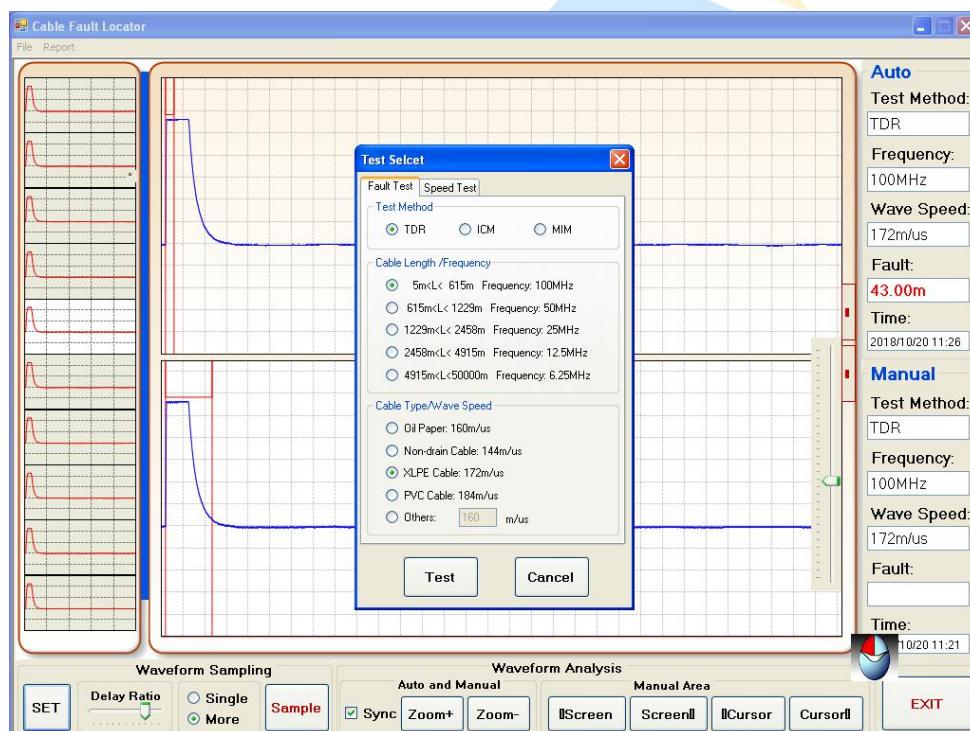
Can use wireless network card to connect to internet.

9) **Touch-control mouse:** same to normal mouse for system operation.

Chapter II software introduction

1. Host

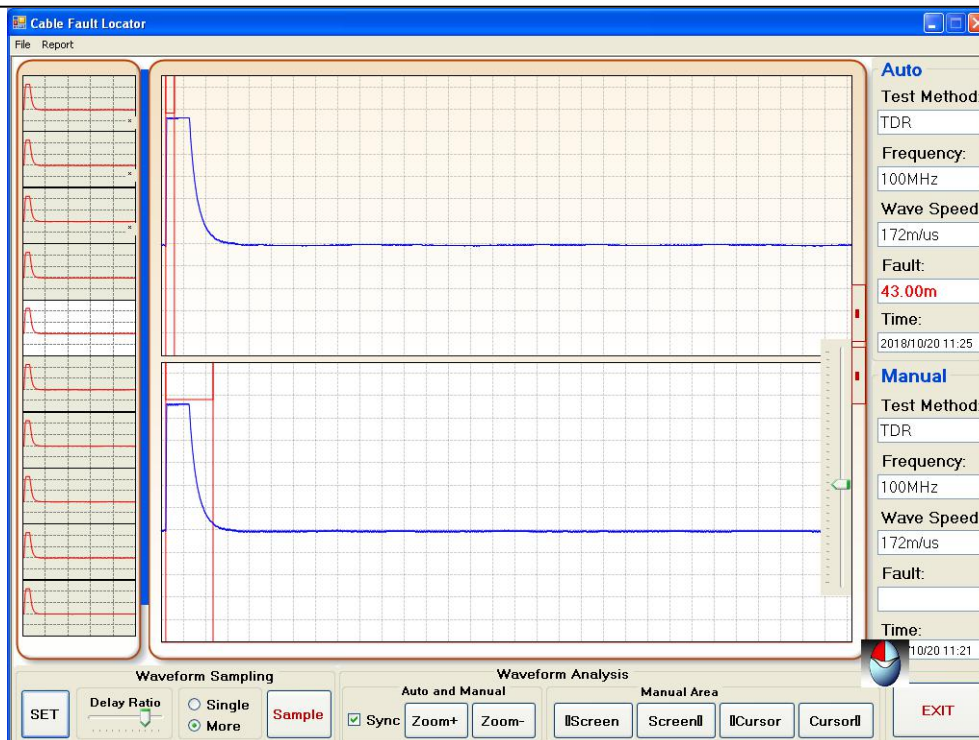
- 1) Click on cable test icon on desktop, screen display as figure as below ..
- 2) Shutdown windows first, then shut down power supply. Do not shutdown power supply when test system is in operating or shutdown system frequently.
- 3) Please connect lithium battery charger if host is under voltage. Red light will be on while charging and it will turn to green after fully charge.



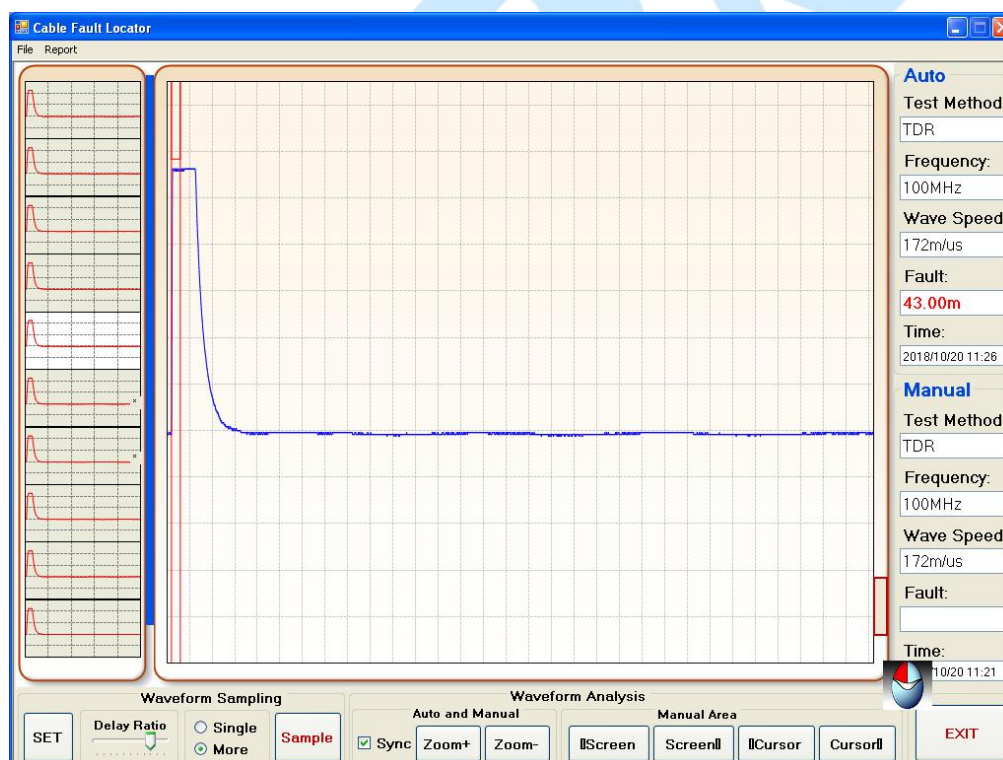
Main interface of testing software

2. Introduction of test system control panel

Press “cable fault test” button to enter into testing panel. Testing panel is divided into 4 parts: menu bar, status bar, waveform display area and functional buttons.



Test system interface two-screen diagram



Test system interface single screen diagram

The upper part of the graphic display area is the real-time waveform, and the lower part is the manual analysis area.

Double-click the above waveform to load the manual analysis area.Red label is single

and double screen display conversion button.

(1) Menu bar

menu bar includes two menus

"file" menu: includes "Open file", "save file" two menu.

select "open file", read out the waveform saved before,

select "save file", save the waveform and test data,

"testing report", the contents display on the screen will be formed into a "cable fault

testing report". select "print" or

"close" button to finish job you want to do. Choose "Store", test waveform and data can be stored on the computer's

hard disk or floppy disk, for data preservation.

(2) Status bar

Status bar includes 5 parts: test method, frequency, wave speed, fault, time. All of these information will be displayed automatically in "Automatic waveform area" and "manual waveform area" according to your selection.

(3) Waveform display area

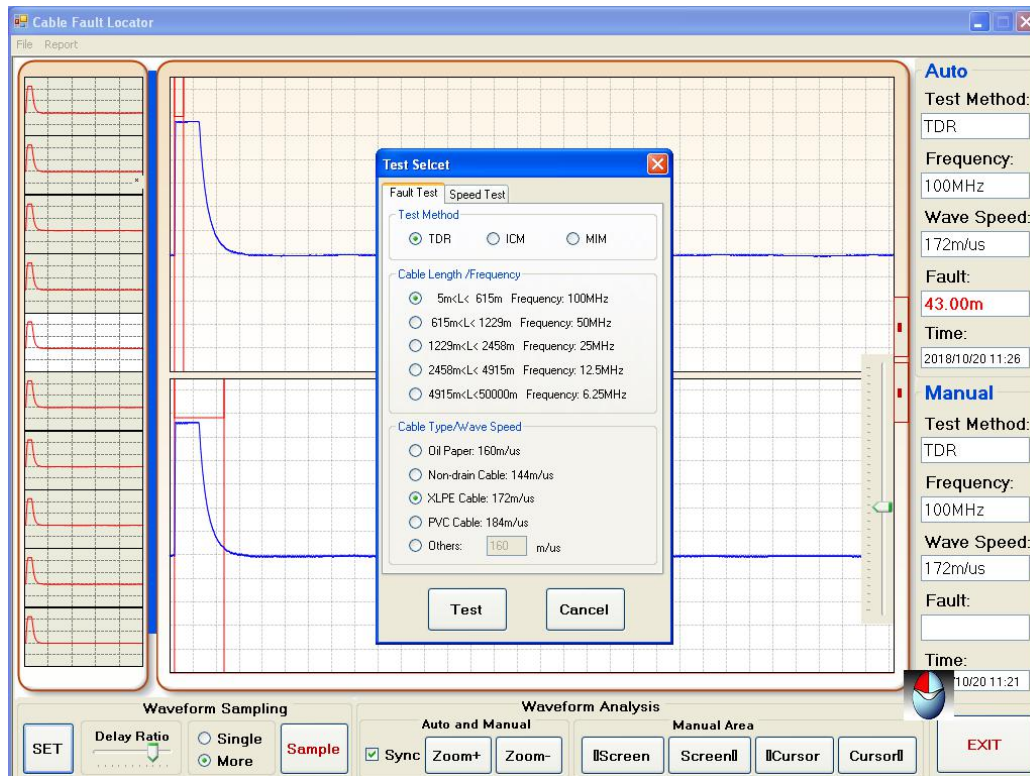
This area will display sampled waveform. It is divided into "automatic waveform area" and "manual waveform area". The "automatic waveform area" automatically optimizes a waveform during testing, when use low voltage pulse method to test, it will be clip position automatically and calculate the fault distance automatically, the current sampling test method has no such function.

Select a waveform in the "automatic waveform area" and click on it, and it will appear a waveform immediately in the "manual waveform area" where you can analyze, process and clip position. The blue cursor line is the start location cursor, green cursor is the fault screens cursor, Click the mouse to the inflection point, the cursor on the point, the distance immediately out. The fault distance is shown directly in the small grid of the cursor line.

(4) Functional buttons

Functional buttons area is in the bottom of screen and composed by 8 buttons, function of 8 buttons as below :

◆ Test setting: Using when system testing. Select “test method”, “cable length/frequency”, “cable type/wave speed” according to tested cable. Window menu includes two sub-menus: “fault test” and “speed test”. Each menu item to correspond to a test method. You need to input cable full length if you test velocity.



Testing software interface

“Test method” menu includes 2 sub-menus: “LV pulse method(TDR)”, and “Impulse HV flash-over method(ICM)”.

“cable length/frequency” corresponds to the following five types: you only need to choose a approximate length according to the length of tested cable , and choose corresponding sampling frequency at the same time, so that the sampling automatically adapted to pulse width, the resulting waveform is more standard and the inflection point is more clear.

shown as below:

Optional approximate length range as below:

● $5\text{m} < L < 615\text{ m}$

Sampling frequency 100MHz

●615m<L<1229 m	Sampling frequency 50MHz
●1229m<L<2458 m	Sampling frequency 25MHz
●2458<L<4915 m	Sampling frequency 10MHz
●4915m<L<50000m	Sampling frequency 6.25MHz

“**cable type/wave speed**”included :

- Oil-paper: $V=160\text{m}/\mu\text{S}$
- Non-drop: $V=144\text{m}/\mu\text{S}$
- Cross-linked polyethylene: $V=172\text{m}/\mu\text{S}$
- PVC : $V=184\text{m}/\mu\text{S}$
- Optional medium: $V=***\text{m}/\mu\text{S}$

Five menu items, choose one menu equals to choose one speed. Add medium according to user's special cable.If the wave speed tested not included in above, please input wave velocity of the selected medium by clicking # at the bottom left of the test software interface (the instrument has been set for you when leaving the factory),input the selected wave velocity.

◆ **“Single/more”** button: Single means sample one time to get 1 waveform, continuous means sample one time to get continuous waveform.

◆ **“Synchronization(sync)”button:** When you need to compare two waveform to analysis, click this button then two waveform will be back initial end in same scale.

◆ **“Sample”** button: Press this button one time to get one sample and will draw waveform in display area.

◆ **“Zoom+/Zoom- (automatic area) ”**shrink” button: Stretch or shrink waveform to get a full view to help you analysis and locate fault point. Click one time to stretch/shrink waveform one time.

◆ **“Zoom+/Zoom- (manual area) ”** button: Stretch or shrink waveform to get a full view to help you analysis and locate fault point. Click one time to stretch/shrink waveform one time.

◆ **“<<cursor”** button: This button is used to fine-tuning blue/green cursor to left.

- ◆ “**cursor>>**” button: This button is used to fine-tuning blue/green cursor to right.
- ◆ “**Exit**”: Exit system.

Chapter III Test procedure of

Please follow procedures below to resolve cable fault quickly:

1. Analyze nature of cable fault and cable type.

Different cable type is tested by different method, different cable medium has different testing velocity, different cable has different voltage-resistant level. You need to know these information before test.

2. Test cable full length by and proofread wave velocity by LV impulse method.

Test full length of cable can help us to understand cable fault clearly and judge nature of cable fault (high impedance fault or low impedance fault). Meantime we can calculate wave velocity to make accurate test.

3. Choose proper test method, make rough test by cable fault locate host.

Different test method is for different cable fault. Low impedance fault (open-circuit or short circuit) is tested by LV impulse method, high impedance fault (leakage or flash-over) is tested by multiple pulse method or impulse HV flash-over method. Choose proper method test cable full length and fault approximate position.

Fault nature	Insulation Resistance	Breakdown situation
Open circuit	∞	reak-down by DC or high voltage impulse
Low resistance	less-than $10Z_0$	Can be break-down by high voltage impulse if resistance is not very low
High resistance	more-than $10Z_0$	igh-voltage pulse breakdown
flashover	∞	reak-down by DC or high voltage impulse

Remark: Z_0 is characteristic impedance value. For electric cable it is usually between 10—40 Ω .

Low voltage flash-over method is simple, can be tested directly . You should pay

attention to the wire connection and the DC high voltage added when you use high voltage flash-over method. The maximum voltage withstanding for oil paper cable and crosslinked polyethylene cable is 50KV and 35 KV, generally, you can not exceed these levels. The ground wire of high voltage device should be connected with the lead sheathing of the cable tested.

4. Test the path of cable by cable tracing tester

You must know cable route before precisely locating cable fault.

5. Locating fault point precisely by cable fault locator.

Connect HV device according to fixing point discharge mode and increase voltage according to cable characteristic and voltage resistance level. Locating cable fault position in a range of 1m.

Chapter IV Introduction of test method

1. Test theory

According to TDR theory, this device will send a series of electric impulse to tested cable, then receive reflection impulse due to impedance variation. We can according to electric wave transmitting velocity in cable and time duration of two reflection impulse inflection point to calculate the distance from test initial terminal to fault position by $S=VT/2$.

S represents distance from test initial terminal to fault position,

V represents electric wave transmitting velocity in cable,

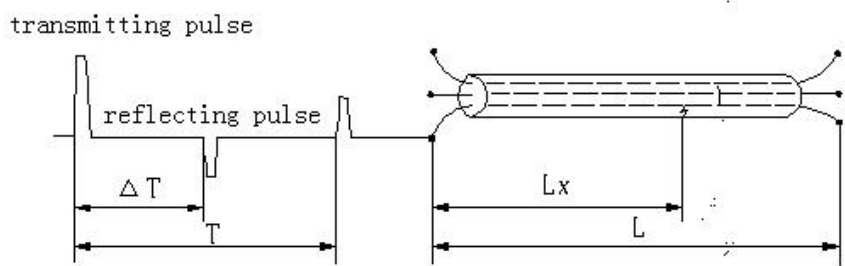
T represents required time duration wave propagate in cable.

This system can test cable by 4 methods: Low voltage pulse method, multiple impulse method, , DC HV flash-over method and impulse HV flash-over method method.

2. Low voltage pulse method

Low voltage pulse method is used to test wave transmitting velocity in cable, cable full length, low-impedance(fault phase impedance is less than 1K) and open circuit fault, short circuit fault.

Basic theory of impulse testing method



LV impulse testing schematic diagram

when testing faults, the cable can be considered as a evenly distributed transmission line. In according to transmission line theory, exert a impulse voltage in one end of the cable, this impulse will transmit through the cable in a certain speed(this speed is depends on the dielectric constant and the magnetic conductivity). In the fault-position or when the resistance is unevenly, the impulse will be reflected. Write down the transmission time span ΔT , ΔT times the transmission speed V , the position of the faults can be work out.

$$Lx = V \cdot \Delta T / 2$$

Lx refers to the distance from beginning end to the fault point.

Measure the length of the cable: $L = V \cdot T / 2$

Measure the impulse transmit speed: $V = 2L / T$

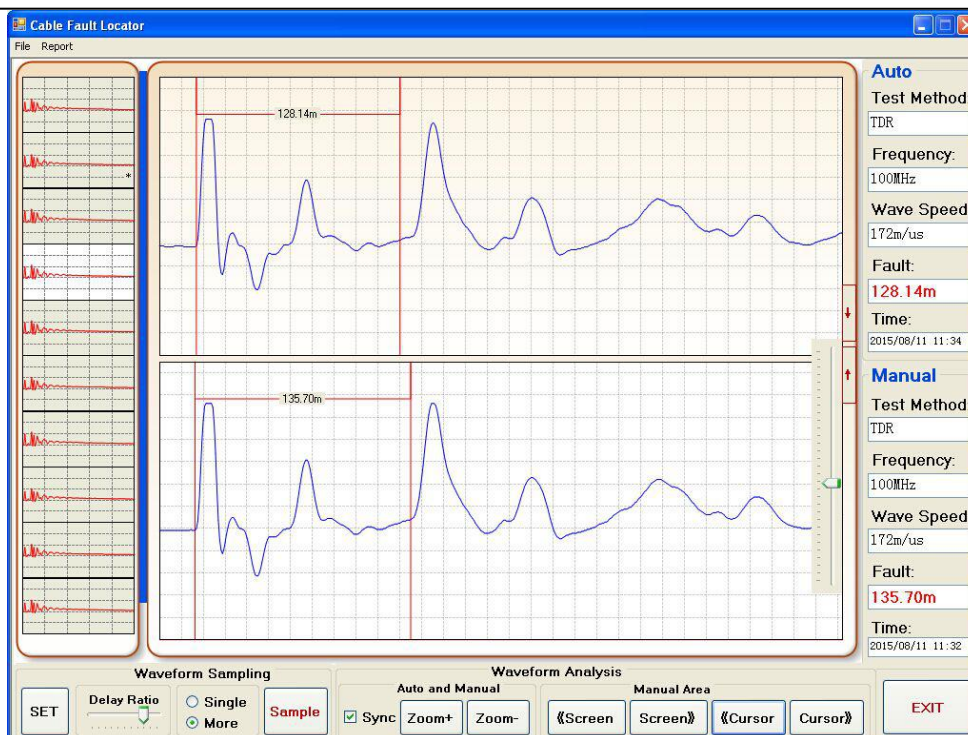
Add LV impulse to fault phase, the impulse will transmit to impedance mismatch point, like middle connector, T connector, short circuit point or terminal. These point will reflect impulse and it will be received by tester.

If transmission pulse is in same phase with reflecting pulse, the fault is open circuit fault or terminal open circuit fault. If in opposite phase, the fault is short circuit or low impedance fault.

If insulation resistance of fault point is lower than characteristic impedance even zero electric resistance, the fault is called low resistance fault or short circuit fault.

If insulation resistance is infinite or in normal but voltage can not reach to user end, the fault is called open circuit fault.

Connect fault phase and ground wire to input terminal of tester(another end of input wire connect to aviation plug), connect USB interface of test system to computer USB interface.



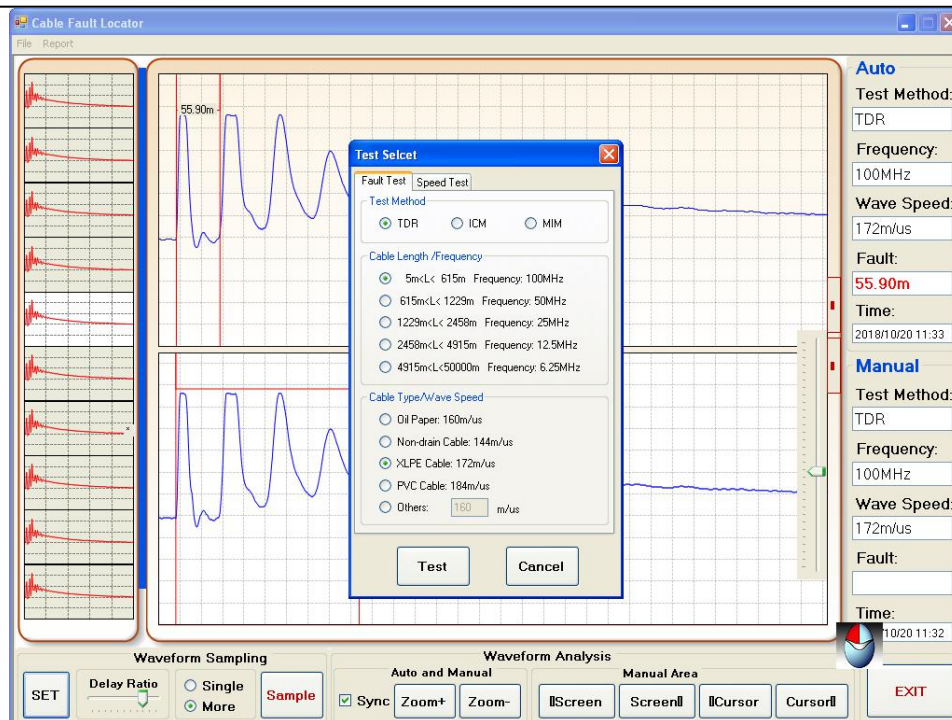
- Test velocity (low resistance fault, open circuit fault and short circuit fault)

For some cable, the wave transmission speed is unknown, we can test it if we know the full length of the cable.

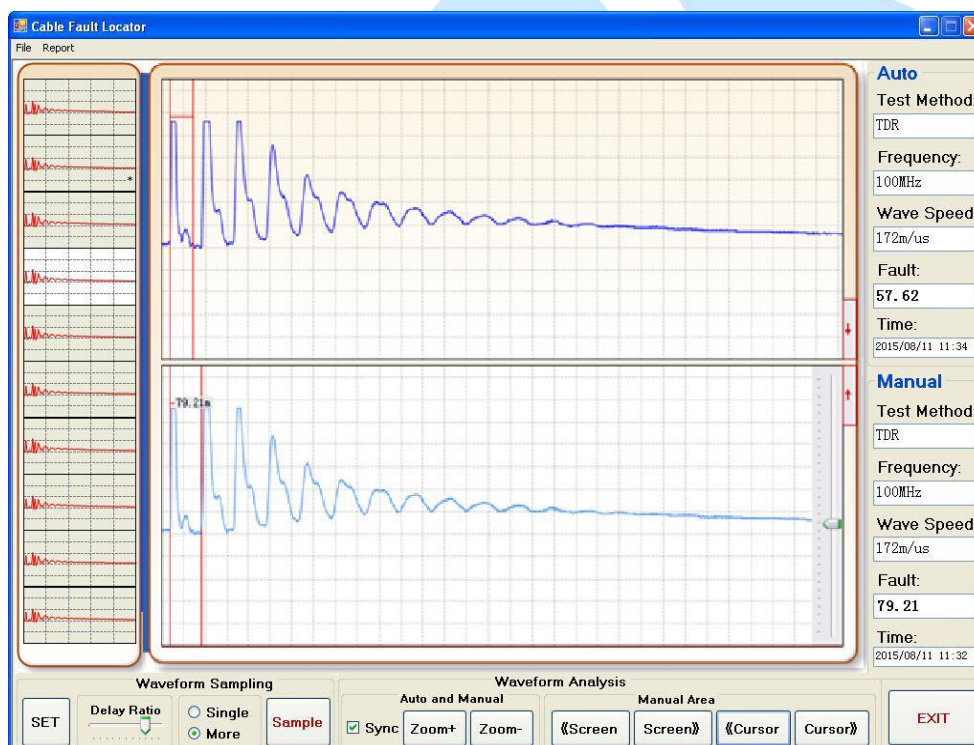
Select **“fault test”** and **“TDR”** in “work mode” menu. Input cable full length then press **“Test”** button, then press **“Sample”** button. Adjust **“range”** button according to waveform and baseline to get clear waveform.

If no waveform display or reflecting waveform is too small, please fine-tune input amplitude to re-sample.

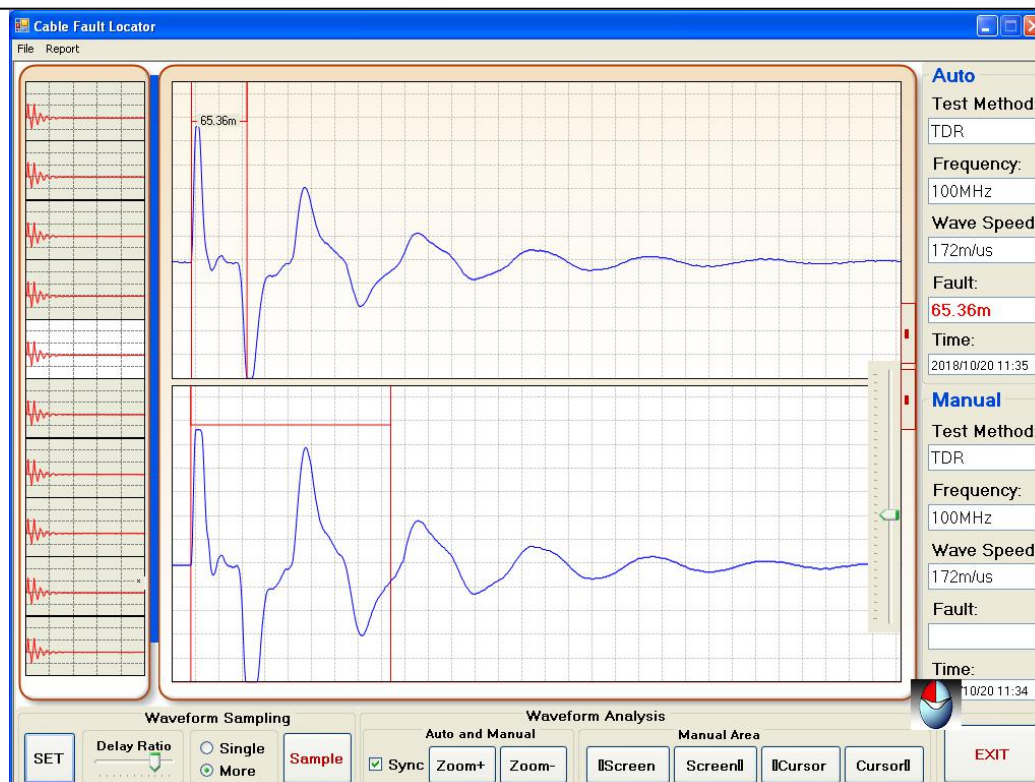
If instrument crashes while sampling, indicate Error, press reset key to restore.



- Test fault (low resistance fault, open circuit fault and short circuit fault)

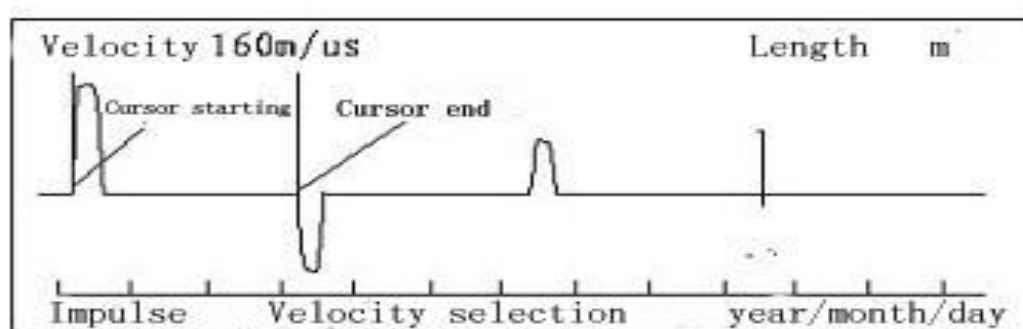


open circuit failure waveform tested by low voltage pulse method



short circuit fault or low resistance fault waveform tested by low voltage pulse method

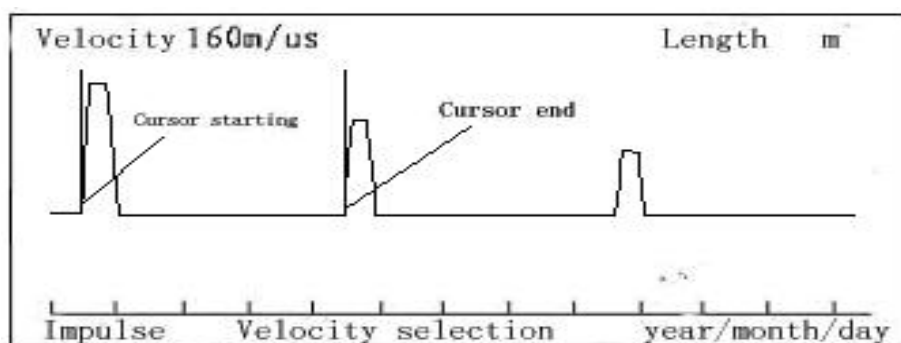
When you test cable fault, first select “TDR” in work mode menu, then select corresponding sample frequency and impulse velocity according to cable full length, then press “sample” button. Open circuit waveform or short circuit waveform will be displayed on screen (Shown as fig. above). Select one waveform from the pulse waveform and it will be displayed in “manual waveform area”, locating fault position by cursor and you will get test result.



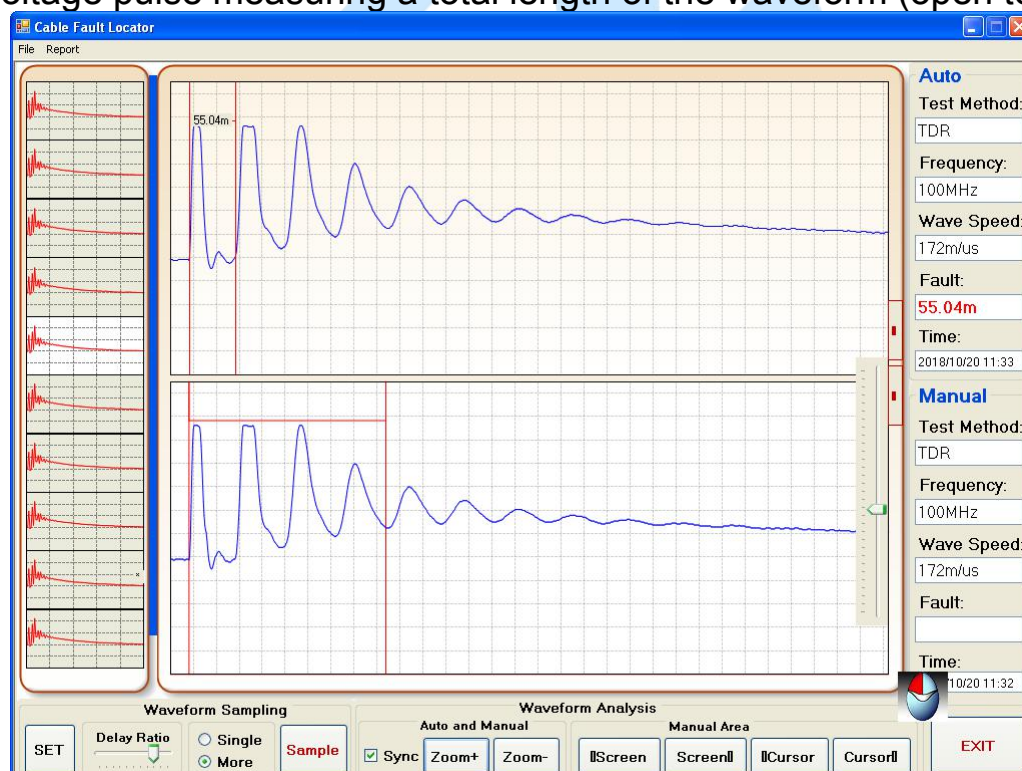
Polarity of reflecting signal of open circuit fault is same to transmitting pulse, polarity of reflecting signal of short circuit fault is opposite to transmitting pulse. For terminal open circuit cable, set start and end position at intersections of the rising edge of pulse and baseline.

Remark: Wiring diagram of cable full length testing is totally same to open circuit fault testing.

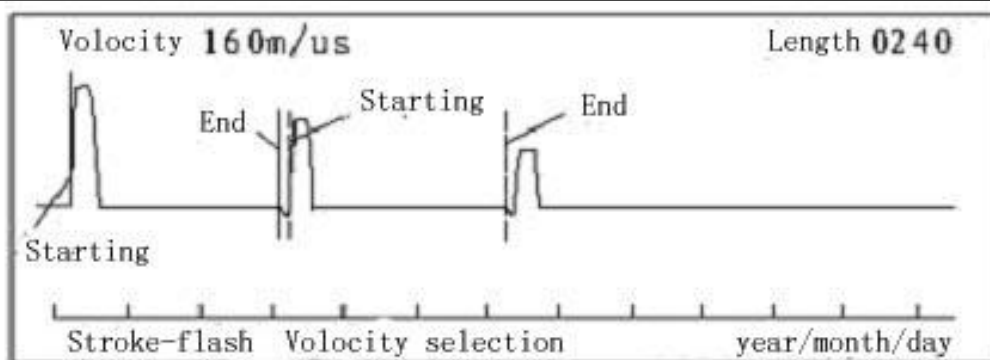
Waveform of testing open circuit fault (cable full length) and short circuit fault by LV impulse method is as below:



Low-voltage pulse measuring a total length of the waveform (open terminal)



Waveform of open circuit fault or open circuit full length by LV pulse method
Test full length is same to test fault.



Waveform for impulse flash-over current sampling

Analysis in "manual waveform area":press"**Zoom+/Zoom-**"button,make the tested waveform width is more suitable for fault distance interpretation.then use cursor and "**<<cursor/cursor>>**" to select more suitable waveform inflection point.

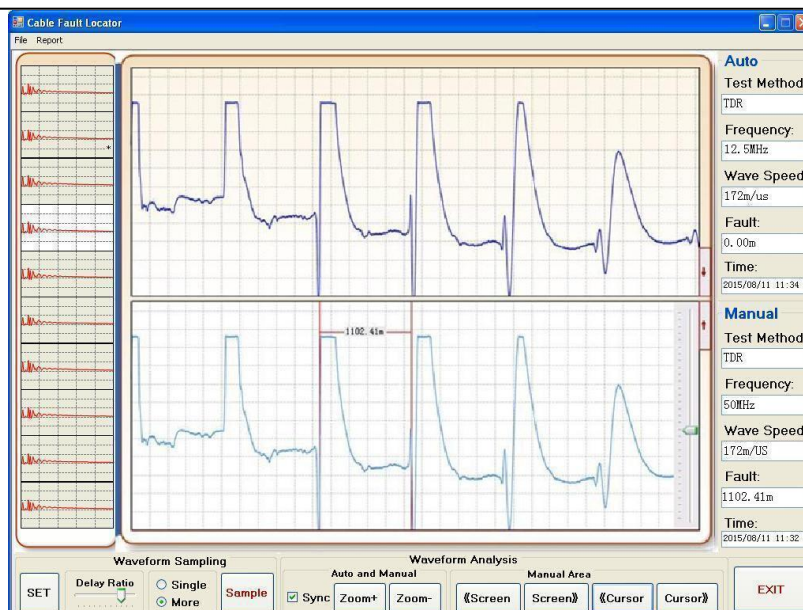
Moving cursor to read fault distance: this software is fully automatic, divided into two areas, the upper area will automatically draw the waveform to choose the optimal one and automatically clip;Automatic display fault distance.If you think unassured, you can do the following operation: double-click any point in the upper zone to select the waveform to the lower zone, and there are "cursors" and corresponding"**<<cursor/cursor>>**" button bottom right of the screen.press cursor to move the cursor line to the inflection point of start waveform and echo waveform.The number displayed between the two cursors is the distance from the fault point to the test end.

Then press "save" to save or cancel .

3. Impulse flash-over current method

High resistance fault occupy 90% of total fault. Although most of them can be tested by multiple pulse method, it can not resolve the problem of voltage drop and ultra high resistance fault discharge. We can use impulse HV flash-over current method or DC HV flash-over method to resolve these faults.

For impulse HV flash-over method, we usually use current sample method. Connect wires according to wire diagram, the select transmitting velocity. Fine-tuning amplitude to 1/3 position, then press "sample"button.



Adjust ball gap (operator box current is more than 10A-15A is regarded as not discharge, you need to adjust ball gap and boost impulse voltage) and switch on power supply to boost voltage of cable be tested. Fault point will discharge once the voltage to a certain value. You can adjust “input amplitude” to get more standard waveform. Impulse flash-over wave as below :

If system crashed (terminal error), exit the testing system and press “**reset**” button to re-enter into system and re-sample.

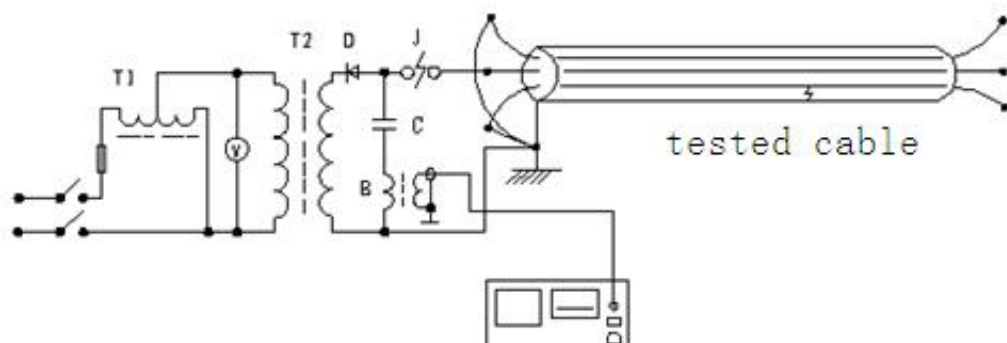
Waveform characteristics: Transmitting pulse is positive then reflecting pulse is also positive but there is negative reflecting pulse in front edge which is far smaller than positive pulse. This inflection point is the inflection point of fault point

When you set the position of cursor, blue cursor should be in intersection of positive pulse rising edge and baseline. Green cursor should be in intersection of negative reflecting pulse drop edge and baseline. You can use fine-tuning to move cursor to proper position. Test result area display the rough test distance.

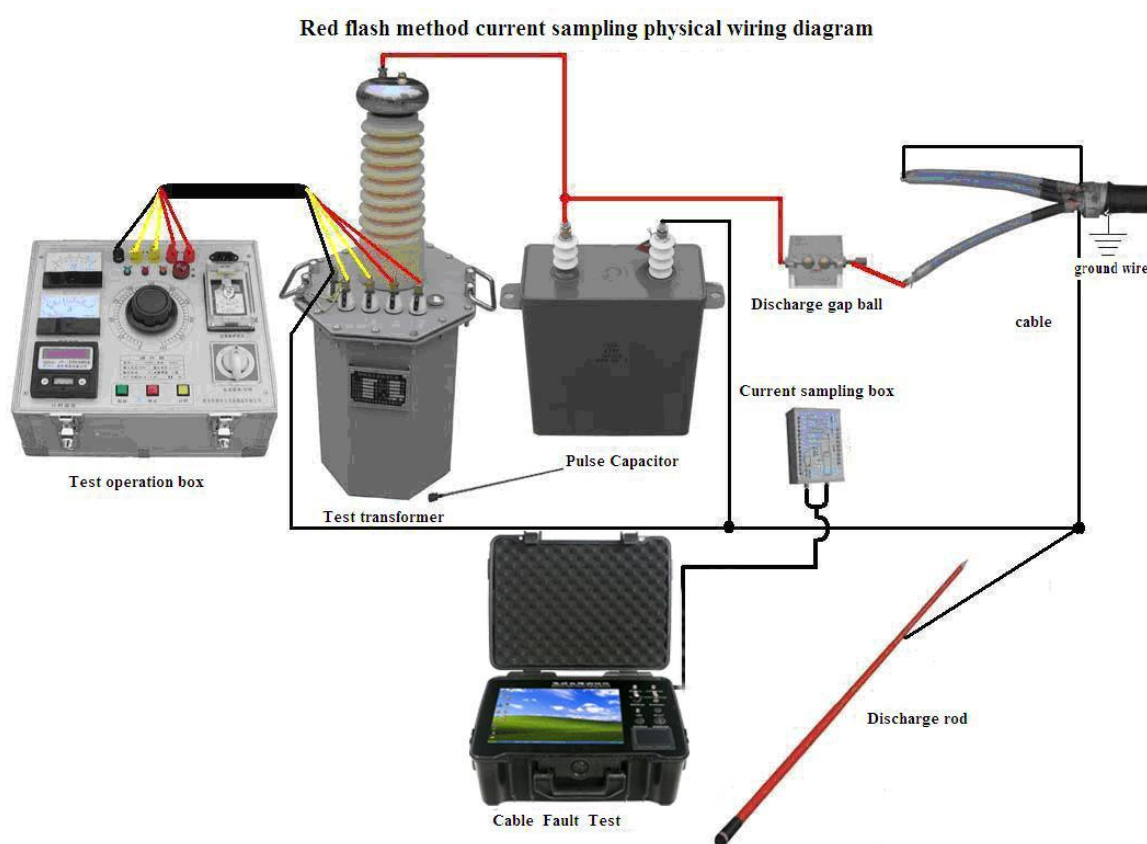
If no negative pulse, then set terminal cursor in intersection of rising edge of reflecting pulse and baseline, the fault distance display on screen will increase about 15%. Deduct this 15% you will get accurate fault distance.

If need to enlarge waveform to see inflection point clearly in manual analysis area, choose single screen operation, analyze waveform , rough test with small error .

Notice: Please adjust ball gap according to cable voltage grade (1mm represents approximately 3KV).



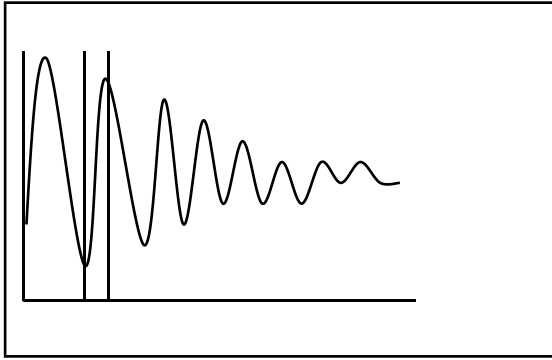
current sampling schematic diagram
by impulse HV flash-over method



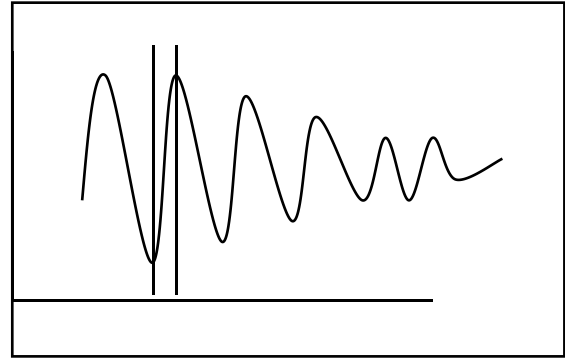
Wire connection for impulse HV flash-over method

4. HV flash-over test method waveform

(1) Waveform when fault near to testing terminal

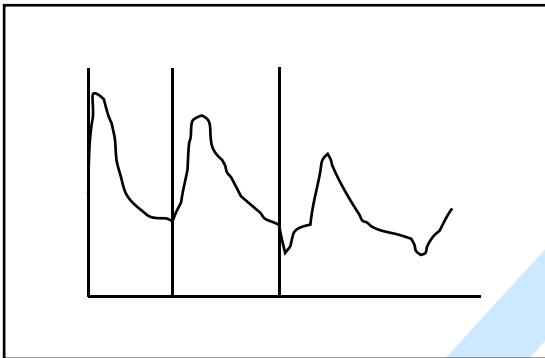


(a) Very near

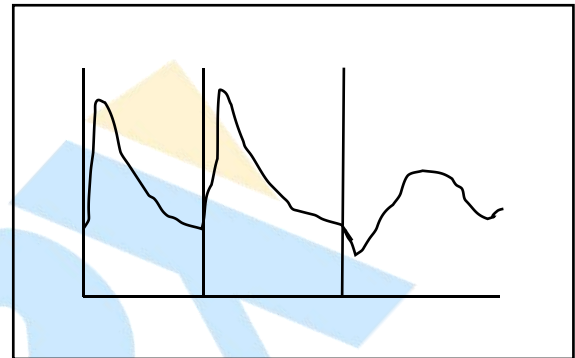


(b) Near

(2) Waveform when fault in middle part of cable

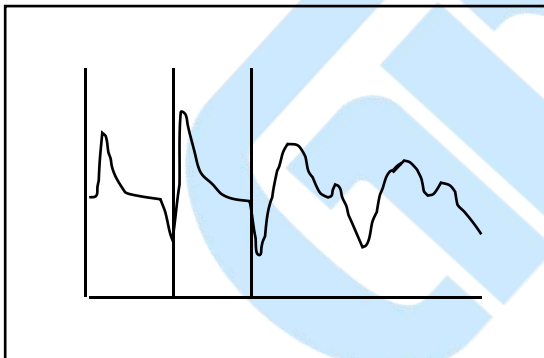


(a) Near

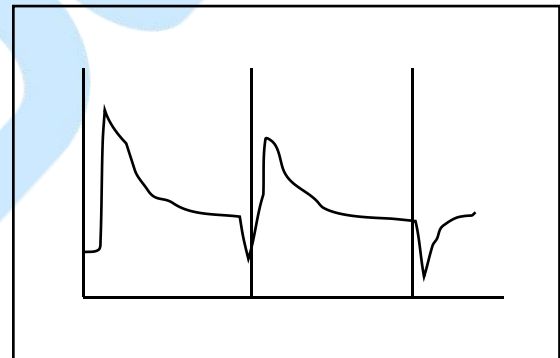


(b) Far

(3) Waveform when fault is near test end terminal

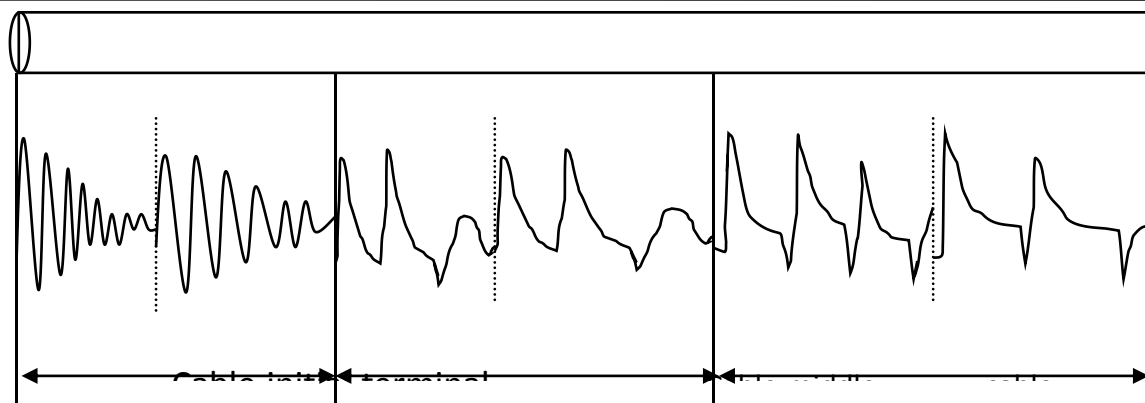


(a) short cable



(b) long cable

(4) Diagram of waveform changing of HV flash-over method

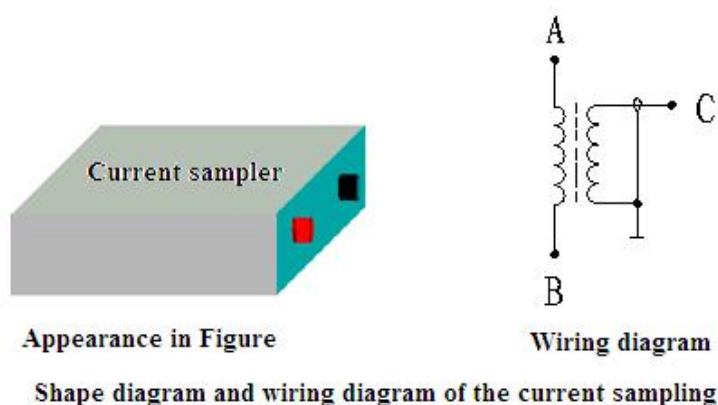


Notice for HV flash-over method:

Because high operating voltage may cause heavily personnel injury or device damage, you must pay special attentions to following items if you use multiple pulse method or impulse HV flash-over method:

- 1) HV instruments should be operated by professional. Before you connect wires or move device, make sure that power is off and completely discharged.
- 2) HV test instruments and cable fault locator should use separate power source and connecting wires of cable fault locator should be far from HV wire. Computer should cut off external power supply and remove mouse.
- 3) Make sure that HV ground terminal and operate box ground terminal connects to cable sheath and earth.
- 4) If you use flash-over method, make sure that you made right setting in “work mode” menu or it may damage LV pulse circuitry of test instruments.
- 5) Before testing, you should add HV to make sure that every connecting point doesn’t discharge but fault point is already discharged, then start test.
- 6) There should be some protections if you test by HV near combustible materials.

Chapter V Accessories of

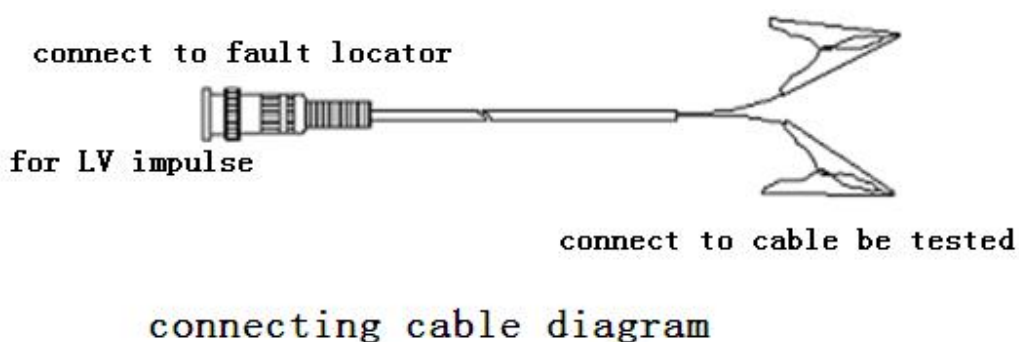


1.Current sampler

When you use HV flash-over method, connects red and black wiring terminal of sampler to red and black clips of testing wiring and put current sampler parallel to capacitor ground wire about 3-5cm far. The distance is depends on signal-intensity, the standard is to get better waveform.

2.connecting cable

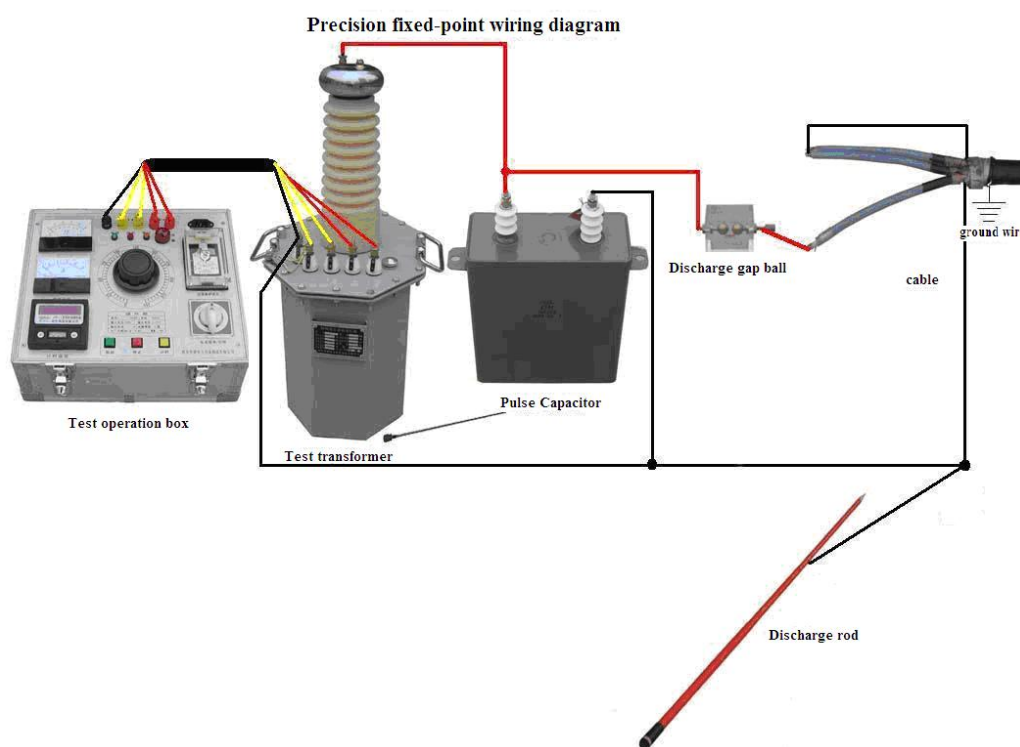
We provides you one connecting cables for flash-over test. Shown as below:



3.Wiring diagram of precisely locating

Precisely locating is key point of cable fault test. Remove HM-A100 host and HM251 multiple pulse generator after rough test and connect wires as shown below.

Add impulse HV continuous to cable to make fault point keep discharging, frequency is about 3-4times/s. Bring Sound-Magnetic Pinpoint Set to test volume of discharging of fault point, move around 10m back and forth of fault point to checking the maximum volume point and this point is exactly fault point.



The sixth section introduces the pathfinder

Synopsis

A pathfinder is composed of a transmitter and a routing receiver. This instrument is a special instrument for low-voltage cable fault location test. Its main function is to detect the cable path.

This instrument USES microcomputer CPU and special integrated circuit. It is characterized by high receiving sensitivity, small static drift, strong anti-interference ability, stable operation and high accuracy. The instrument is more compact and durable, thus reducing the repair rate of the instrument. The routing receiver is powered

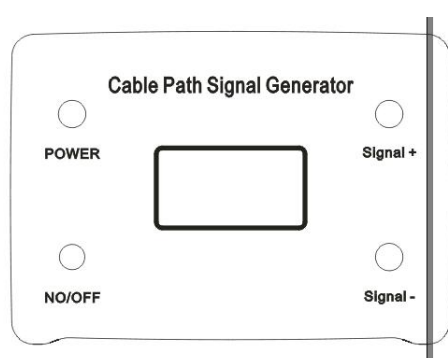
by large capacity battery and has the advantage of longer waiting time.

I. basic composition and main purpose

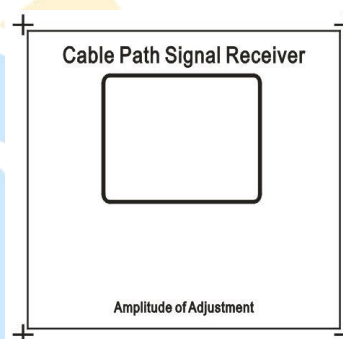
This instrument consists of the following two parts:

- Transmitter: sends test signal to the tested low voltage cable.
- Routing receiver: receiving signals by antennas near buried cables (low-voltage cables).

To facilitate the detection of buried cables paths and receiving antenna can be horizontal, vertical, and depth of 45 ° Angle adjustment.



Cable path signal generator



Cable Path Signal Received

Ii. Technical indicators

1. Detection distance < 15km
2. Detection depth 3m
3. Routing error < 5cm

4. Transmitter:

Output frequency: transmission frequency 9.82kHz

Output power: 2W

5. Routing receiver:

Input frequency: 9.82kHz

Detection routing error: 2cm

Detection depth error: 5cm

Electric pool: 9V battery, working for 8 hours continuously

Iii. Operation instructions

3.1 preparation before detection

1. Test the battery level

Routing receiver: after starting up, display the battery power. If less than 10%, replace the battery.

2. Suspended cable ends

Under normal circumstances, the end of the tested low-voltage cable is disconnected from the ground, so it is only necessary to disconnect the cable starting end from the distribution cabinet (the zero line grounding must be unwound).

3.2 use method of transmitter

Note: when the transmitter is working, the peak output voltage can reach 300V (open circuit voltage). Do not touch the output end with your hands to avoid electric shock. Do not connect the transmitter to live cable and do not short-circuit the output directly.

1. Please close the transmitter before connecting it.

2. Insert the red and black output lines into the corresponding output jack of the transmitter.

3. Red output wire clip, clip in the cable good phase. Then the cable is well grounded.

If the cable is fully armored, the outer sheath is not broken. Can also open

the test end armoring, red clip clip on the armoring for testing.

4. Black output line clamp test end of the clamp system.

5. Connect the 12V power adapter, turn on the power switch of the transmitter and display the work

Voltage, transmission frequency. The transmitter is working.

6. Short-circuit the output red-black clamp when the machine is turned on.

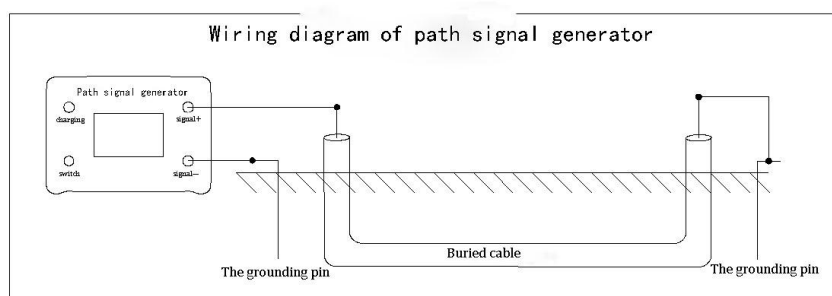


FIG. 1 transmitter connection diagram

3.3 function and usage of routing receiver

1) function of routing receiver

Detect the routing and burial depth of low-voltage cables. The detection principle is peak value method and null value method.

Peak method (rough measurement method) : rotate the probe and probe rod into a 90 degree Angle and parallel to the ground, and perpendicular to the direction of low-voltage cable. At this point, the peak point is the point when the signal is the strongest when it is directly above the low-voltage cable (the speaker is the loudest). This detection method is called peak method (see figure 2). Move the probe left and right along the low-voltage cable, and the signal is weakened (the speaker sound is weakened), that is, the middle sound is loud, while the two

sides sound is small. The measured line at the peak point is the direction of the low-voltage cable. For rough routing.

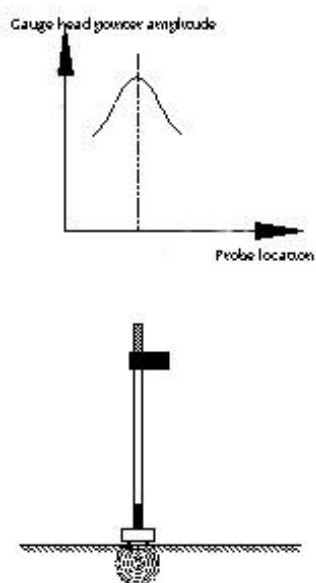


FIG. 2 peak method

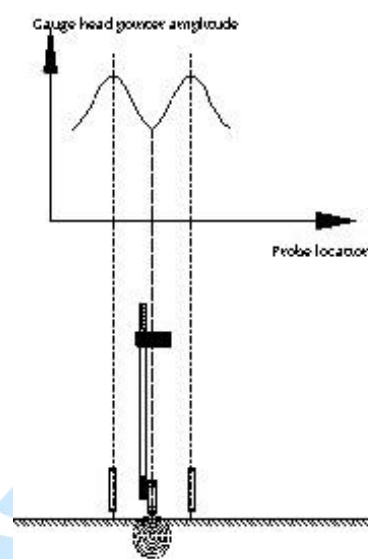


Figure 3. Valley method

Valley method (precision method) : if the probe is rotated to a 0 degree Angle with the probe rod, the probe is perpendicular to the ground. When the low-voltage cable is directly above, the signal received is the weakest (the speaker sound is the smallest, this point is the null point), this detection method is called null value method, or dumb point method (see figure 3). Move the probe left and right along the low-voltage cable, and the signal will be stronger (the speaker will be louder), that is, the middle sound will be smaller, and the two sides will be louder. The connection of its null point (or dummy point) is the direction of the low-voltage cable. For precise routing.

2) routing receiver usage

(1) open the routing receiver power switch, and adjust the "amplitude adjustment" knob;

(2) at the beginning to find the measured low voltage cable;

The method is as follows: 3 meters away from the transmitter, use the peak method mentioned above to detect every cable in the vicinity, and the low-voltage cable to be tested is the one with the loudest sound.

Continue to find the cable route

At this time, the null method is used to detect the low-voltage cable routing, because this method is more accurate in the absence of other interference detection.

3) detect the buried depth of low-voltage cable

The method is as follows: firstly, the null value method is used to find out the low-voltage cable routing, and this point is set as point A; Then rotate the probe into a 45-degree Angle with the probe rod. The lower end of the probe is attached to the ground and vertically aligned with the direction of the low-voltage cable. Move it horizontally (left and right). When the first null value of the received signal appears, i.e., when the sound is the minimum, record the point as B (C), and the straight-line distance of AB (AC) point on the ground is the buried depth of the low-voltage cable, AD. The general error is about 5CM. (see figure 4) this method is also called triangulation:

Actual burial depth = AD+ correction coefficient 5CM

Note: the accuracy of detecting the buried depth of low-voltage cables will be affected by soil conditions, adjacent cables and cable metal materials. When detecting the buried depth, avoid the bend of the low-voltage cable, and leave the transmitter 10 meters away, so as to avoid inaccurate depth determination or

increase the error.

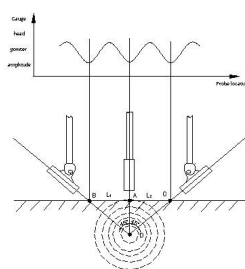


Figure 4.

Routing detection

1. Influence of adjacent cables

When the signal strength measured on one side of the low-voltage cable is much lower than that on the other side, it may be affected by other cables adjacent to the low-voltage cable. At this time, the ground cable should be re-inserted so that the ground wire does not cross any adjacent cables, and the ground cable and the measured low voltage cable as far as possible. Using the peak method test, the loudest speaker sound is measured under the low voltage cable.

2. Detect low-voltage cable bends

When testing the route of low-voltage cable with null value method, the route should be close to the curve of low-voltage cable at a slow speed, so that the specific position of the curve can be measured near the outside of the low-voltage cable. However, if the detection is carried out at a relatively fast speed, it will suddenly increase the sound of the loudspeaker at the corner and make people misjudge.

Probe around

The null value method was used for detection. When the probe comes to the

surround of the low-voltage cable, if the probe swings to the opposite side of the surround, the routing receiver will reflect the normal peak; A very strong peak occurs when the oscillation is directly above the circle.

Detect in dense areas

Adjacent cables interfere with the normal reception of the routing receiver. At this time, the signal strength of the tested low-voltage cable should be increased, and the signal strength of adjacent cables should be reduced. The method is as follows:

- (1) change the transmitter to the other end of the tested low-voltage cable to send signals;
- (2) improve the grounding situation, mobile ground brazing location.

V. matters needing attention

This instrument is used for outdoor work. Keep it clean and dry. When not in use, the instrument should be put into a packing box and stored in a low temperature and dry place. Before each operation, the battery power of the routing receiver should be tested. When the meter is not used for a long time, the battery in the routing receiver should be taken out; Route receiver battery replacement method:

1. Prepare a 9V (block) battery;
2. Open the box cover of the pathfinder receiver;
3. Replace the old battery with a new one;
4. Install the instrument cover.

Complete sets of instruments

1. Cable path signal generator
2. One cable path signal receiver
3. One handle
4. One path signal receiving antenna
5. One core aviation plug cable
6. Two red and black test clip wires
7. One DC12V 3A power adapter
8. One copy of the manual

Section 7 introduction of fixed point instrument

I. overall overview

Due to the extremely complex environment of power cable laying, accurate positioning is always a crucial step in cable fault testing. Even if there is an accurate coarse side distance, it is difficult for us to locate it quickly and accurately due to the influence of external environment. Cable fault sound accurate point magnetic meter is a portable, ultra-quiet, visual impact discharge receive accurate point instrument, is specially used with high pressure surge generator, it utilizes advanced intelligent background noise and sound track of new technology, which can realize continuous optimization, the perfect sound effects, sound recording impact discharge characteristics and implementation of the field will pick up the signal.



When the front-end continuous shock discharge is applied, the sound of the shock discharge at the fault point within the range of the thick side spreads on the ground above the

cable and is recorded by the ground probe sensor on the ground. The distance between the detection point and the real fault point of the cable can be obtained by means of the noise volume of impulse discharge.

Ii. Technical features

Ultra-quiet noise reduction processing, excellent discharge sound quality, background is more quiet, choose listening headphones for fast and reliable point fault location.

Select ultra-quiet technology and BNR intelligent background noise reduction technology, can adjust the impact discharge volume.

Mold design of special self-falling sensor, and equipped with soft pavement, hardened pavement, lawn sensor joint.

The selection of reliable imported connectors, to ensure the purity of sound, user-friendly design of a highly adjustable probe handle, very applicable.

Iii. Technical parameters

- ◆ Sensor dynamic range: sound channel >104dB.
- ◆ Impact discharge sound amplification factor >90dB, impact discharge volume limit 84dB(A).
- ◆ LCD: high brightness color screen, 320 x 240 pixels suitable for outdoor.
- ◆ Continuous working time on site: alkaline replaceable battery, convenient for site use

1. Standard configuration:

- one receiver host, model number, including shoulder strap
- a sensor (ground probe microphone).
- one height adjustable handle with a height range of 450-750 mm

- one earphone with sound quality
- one signal line connecting the receiver host to the sensor, 1.20m long
- one hard ground probe, 18mm long
- one grass probe, 75 mm long
- 6 alkaline batteries, model IEC R6
- a manual in Chinese

2.receiver host connection and control

The following figure shows the connection method and control keys of the receiver host:

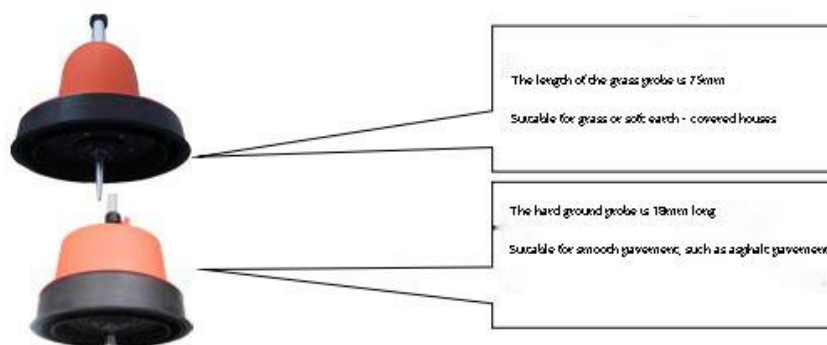


LCD display, one-button adjustment button, receiver host startup (long press 10 seconds and the red LED indicator flashes)/shutdown (long press 3 seconds), mute open/close, connect socket, connect sensor, connect socket, open earphone and prepare sensor

Iv. Site installation and operation

1. Connect the sensor to a suitable probe or probe

The sensor can be connected to two different probes, the standard configuration includes an 18mm long hard ground probe and a 75mm long grass probe. The above probes and probes can be threaded to suit a variety of ground covering conditions.



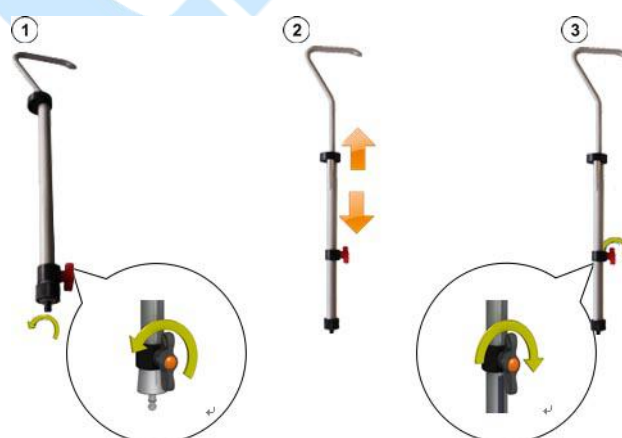
2. Connect the sensor with the handle

The figure below shows how to connect the adjustable handle to the sensor:



3. Adjust the height of the handle

The figure below shows the method to adjust the height of the handle:



4. Connect the sensor and headset with the receiver host

Connect the headset to the black socket of the receiver host. Note the white marking on the aligning plug and socket. The plug is plug and play, do not rotate!



5, receiver host

5.1 opening of receiver host

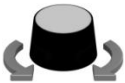
The host can be turned on or off after pressing the power on and off button of the receiver host. After a dozen seconds, the receiver host is ready for use, and the measurement interface will be displayed.

5.2 self-test of battery power

When you boot up, please first look at the upper right corner of the display, check the alkaline battery remaining power. If you find that the percentage of battery power is close to 25%, please charge it first, and use it after the power is more than 50%.

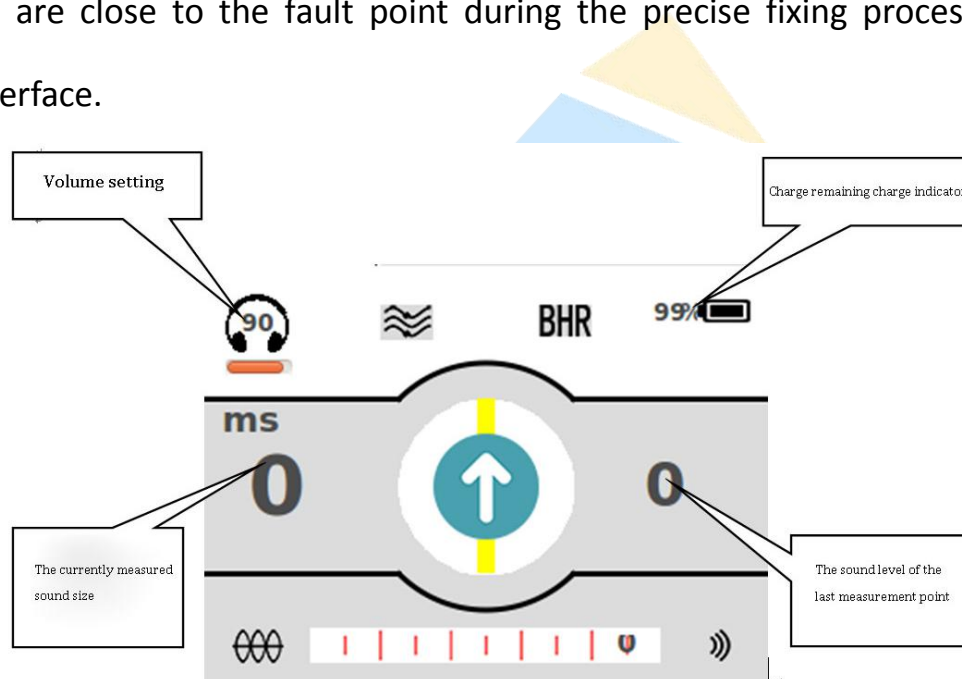
5.3 one-button fit knob

The host of the receiver is mainly adjusted by one-key fit single-key. Please refer to the figure below for the use of one-button adjustment button:

gestures	<u>Measure the function of the interface</u>
	Adjust the volume (sound amplification)

5.4 display of measurement interface

Provide the sound signal in the headset, and display the relevant information that may be useful when you are close to the fault point during the precise fixing process through the measurement interface.



5. Starting to use cable fault precise locating instrument

Please connect the high-voltage integrated shock generator (high-voltage unit) to the fault cable and start to apply the appropriate shock voltage, so that flashover breakdown discharge occurs at the fault point of the fault cable. Appropriate impulse voltage refers to the type of cable that is suitable for the test, and the maximum allowable impulse voltage will not cause damage to the cable under test. For more details about using high voltage shock generator (high voltage unit), please read the operation manual of integrated high voltage power supply of this product.

1.1 precise fixed-point operation procedures

When you are close to the failure point, please follow the following procedures:

steps	action
1	Place your ground-penetrating microphone in the starting position.
	<p>If no sound signal can be picked up at the measuring point. Please follow the cable path under test. When you find that you have received the first useful shock discharge sound signal, the LCD on the left side of the host will automatically display the sound size of the measurement point.</p> <p>If you are in a longer area and cannot pick up the shock discharge sound signal through the ground probe microphone or headset, you should try to pinpoint the exact point from the starting point in the opposite direction.</p>
2	<p>Please continue along the path of the cable under test, moving the distance one step at a time, and adjust the position of the central axis of the cable under test at any time if necessary. At each measuring point, please remain several impulse discharge signals.</p> <p>As you approach the cable failure point, you will hear a more intense knocking sound, and the sound size of the current measurement point displayed will increase sharply.</p>
3	Please send out to the microphone rotate 180 °, again with a smaller interval near the point of failure.
4	Please continue to narrow the step distance to find the fault with the loudest sound and determine the location of the fault point as accurately as possible. Then make a precise mark on the ground.

1.2 shutdown:

Please press the power  on/off button of the host machine for a long time.

Important note: when this set of equipment is used to test cable high-resistance fault, flashover method shall be adopted. The fault point shall discharge with open fire. Please note that it is strictly prohibited to test in high-gas and high-concentration flammable gas environment. In this case, please contact the manufacturer and take other measures to test. In the event of safety accidents and equipment manufacturers have nothing to do!

Sincerely thank you for using our company's cable fault test equipment. Due to our continuous upgrading and improvement of the instrument, the physical appearance of the instrument you see may be slightly different from the instruction, but its operating principle and operation method are basically the same. Special need to give you that this tester is integrated design, program curing, high reliability. Therefore, under the condition that it is not connected with the high-pressure equipment, you can feel free to learn the operation repeatedly according to the instructions and master its functions without worrying about the damage to the instrument. When you have any problems in the operation or crash, you can reset or shutdown to restart. I believe that as long as you learn diligently, you will soon master the instrument operation and fault testing methods.

With cable tester, I believe it will bring great convenience to your work, and can solve more than 98% of your work in the fault. If you encounter any difficulties and problems in use, please contact our company in time. We will wholeheartedly provide you with the best service.

Note:

Welcome to choose our instruments and equipment. This machine is a highly integrated precision instrument with the same function as a laptop. Please do not use it on the Internet when there is no test cable fault. Special person is recommended to keep it and use it. If it is

not used for half a year, please charge it once and do not open the main case at will.

Important note:

When testing the cable high-resistance fault with this set of equipment, flashover method shall be adopted, and the fault point shall discharge and have the phenomenon of open fire. When testing, please note that it is strictly prohibited to test in the environment of high gas and high concentration flammable gas. In this case, please contact the manufacturer and take other measures to test. In the event of safety accidents and equipment manufacturers have nothing to do!

