



Component Tester DB234

Fast and very accurate measurements at 200kHz, 100kHz, 10kHz and 1kHz



- **4 measuring frequencies: 200kHz, 100kHz, 10kHz and 1kHz**
- **Overall accuracy better than 0,05% and 2×10^{-4} for loss factor**
- **Especially suitable for film, foil, tantalum and electrolytic capacitors, as well as all other CLR applications**
- **Built-in contact check function**
- **Very high measuring speed: 6 to 20ms from trig to end of measurement, depending of frequency**
- **Input protection: 2 Joule up to 1kV**
- **Measuring ranges: 0,1pF to 1mF depending of frequency**
- **Measures up to 99nF (0,2%) @ 200kHz**
- **External bridge module for long cables (2m or 78,6inch) between the instrument and the bridge module**
- **Measuring cables: 1m or 39,3 inch (supplied as standard)**
- **Internal bias voltage: Up to ± 3 VDC on generator terminal, set in 0,1V steps.**
- **External bias voltage: Up to ± 48 VDC**
- **Average: 1 to 99 measurements**
- **CE approved**
- **Display readings: Direct or deviation capacitance and tan δ or ESR for loss measurements and L/Q, Rs, Rp,**
- **Focused strategy on component testing for nearly 50 years**

General

The DB234 Component Tester is specially designed for very high accuracy and automatic high-speed testing of capacitors. The instrument is reliable, user-friendly and easy to set up to any test application on production lines, in quality control departments or in laboratories.

The DB234 performs capacitance and loss factor tests at any of the 4 standard frequencies. Dual frequency tests at any combination of frequencies are possible as well. Or the user may set up a test sequence in order to perform multiple frequency testing, easily and quickly.

As standard the instrument has a built-in comparator for deviation measurements, IEEE488 (GPIB) and RS232C data interfaces as well as handler interface (opto-coupler type) with 12+4 bins for production sorting. The high-speed data interfaces may be used for an external computer in order to control the system, or for collection of data for statistics and analysis.

Bin sorting with up to 12 bins for capacitance for 1st frequency and up to 4 bins for tan δ using 2nd frequency. Or tan δ may be measured at several frequencies using the 4 bins for different levels of the dissipation factor.

The standard fitted PCMCIA card is the smart way of storing set-ups and measuring data. Fail-safe loading of set-ups to several instruments will be done fast and efficient.

The external bridge module allowing the user to install the DB234 in applications where long distance between the instrument and the contacts is unavoidable. Total cable length of more than 3m or 118 inches is possible.



Specifications for DB234:

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| Measuring Voltages: | 1 V RMS up to 10 μ F at 1kHz |
| | 1 V RMS up to 1 μ F at 10kHz |
| | 1 V RMS up to 100nF at 100kHz |
| | 1 V RMS up to 10nF at 200kHz |
| | Above: (linearly decreasing with the impedance) Programmable in 0.1V steps (maximum 1,5V RMS) |

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| Measuring Speed: | | 1kHz | 10kHz | 100kHz | 200kHz |
| | From trig to end of measurement: * | 20ms | 20ms | 6ms | 6ms |
| | From trig to data ready: * | 28ms | 28ms | 14ms | 14ms |
| | Additional time per meas. by average | 16ms | 16ms | 2ms | 2ms |
| | *) allowing 3ms contact bouncing or 1 range change | | | | |
| | Multiple measurements (average): | The sum of each measurement (from trig to end of measurement) + 8ms for calculation time | | | |

Measuring Cables: 1m (39,3 inch) from front panel to fixture (Cables supplied by Danbridge)

Input Protection: 2 Joule up to 1kV or 4 μ F charged 1000V

Bias Voltage internal: Up to $\pm 3,0$ VDC on generator terminal, set in 0,1V steps (internally generated)

Bias Voltage external: Up to ± 48 V DC

| | Frequency | 1kHz | 10kHz | Accuracy ± 1 digit Capacitance | Tan δ |
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| Accuracy: | | 1pF - 39pF 40pF - 3,9 μ F 4 μ F - 399 μ F 400 μ F - 1mF | 0,1pF - 3,9pF 4pF - 3,9 μ F 4 μ F - 39 μ F 40 μ F - 400 μ F | 0,5% 0,05% 0,1% 1% | $\pm ,0010$ $\pm ,0002$ $\pm ,0007$ $\pm ,0020$ |
| | | 100kHz | 200kHz | | |
| | | ,03pF - ,9pF 1pF - ,9 μ F 1 μ F - 9 μ F 10 μ F - 40 μ F | ,01pF - 3,9pF 4pF - 9,9nF 10nF - 99nF 100nF 999nF | 0,5%* 0,05% 0,1% 0,2% 1% | $\pm ,0010$ $\pm ,0002$ $\pm ,0005$ $\pm ,0010$ $\pm ,0020$ |
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*Accuracy $\pm 0,2$ pF

*Accuracy ± 2 pF

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Bin Sorting: Up to 12 limits for 1st parameter and 4 limits for 2nd parameter by opto-couplers

Interfaces: Rear panel: IEEE 488 (GPIB) and RS232C
Control: Measure end, data ready, trig ready, fault and status
Trig input: DC, AC and contact closure
Front panel: PC board for set-ups

Environment: Ambient temperature: 10-30 degrees Celsius
Warm-up time: Minimum 30 minutes
Power: 90-130 and 200-260 V AC, 50-60 Hz,

Calibration interval: Minimum: Every 12 months

| Dimensions: | | | | Export Packing | |
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| | | | | Europe | Overseas |
| Height: | Mainframe: | 140mm or 5,5 inch | Bridge module: | 30cm | 32cm |
| Width: | | 438mm or 17,2 inch | | 51cm | 52cm |
| Depth: | | 360mm or 14,2 inch | | 56cm | 55cm |
| Weight: | | Total 16kg or 36 lb. | | 21kg | 23kg |