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Digital Radiocommunication Testers CMD54, CMD57, CMD59

For production, installation and service of GSM900/1800/

CMD57



Brief description

Digital Radiocommunication Testers CMD 54/57/59 are advanced topclass instruments for measurements on base stations (BTS) and BTS modules.

CMD 54 is designed for measurements in line with:

- GSM900
- E-GSM
- UIC –
 European train radiotelephony

CMD 57 additionally covers the following standards:

- GSM1800
- GSM 1900 optionally

CMD 59 is designed for measurements exclusively in GSM 1900 band.

The main applications are:

- Module testing in production
- Final testing with Abis control
- Installation with Abis control
- Service with test mobile functionality

CMD is the first compact radiocommunication tester worldwide allowing measurements on transmitters and receivers of base stations without affecting telephone calls in progress.

These testers combine compact size with high measurement accuracy and speed. They are suitable both for stationary and mobile use and feature great ease of operation and high reliability.

Operation is extremely easy and requires no detailed GSM knowledge. The high-contrast LCD display with softkeys on both sides allows menuguided convenient callup of test routines.

The key features at a glance

Characteristic/function	Benefit/application	
Transmitter measurements		
Dynamic range >72 dB	Checking the power ramps and output spectrum of the BTS transmitter for compliance with the dynamic range specified by GSM	
Measurement of power ramps	Checking the switching characteristics of the BTS transmitter	
Phase and frequency error	Testing the modulation characteristics of the BTS transmitter including statistical function	
Extremely fast measurement of spectrum due to modulation or switching	Detecting interference to the BTS transmitter at adjacent frequencies, due to modulation or switching	
Receiver measurements		
Measurement of bit error rate (BER) via $\rm A_{bis}/IEEE$ bus/RS-232-C interface, BTS loopback or CMD loopback	Testing the BTS receiver characteristics by adaptation to specific implementation the BTS	
Measurement of adjacent timeslot rejection with up to 50 dB higher level	Measuring the automatic gain control (AGC) of the BTS with high level difference between used and adjacent timeslot; simulation of different BTS receive levels	



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Mobile Radio Measurements



Characteristic/function	Benefit/application
Level error <1dB at -104 dBm	Reproducible and conclusive measurements even at low output levels especially at the sensitivity limits of the receiver
Other measurements	
Echo test	Subjective test of speech quality with call established
Module test	Complete transmitter measurements even without signalling or time synchronization
Multifunction RF generator	Ideal for alignment of receiver modules
DC current and voltage measurement	Optimized for pulsed signals; replaces external measuring instruments
AF measurement facilities and 60-MHz frequency counter (optional)	Replaces external frequency counter; ideal for measuring reference frequencies
RF monitor with bandwidths of 30 kHz, 100 kHz	Replaces external spectrum analyzer
Simulation of fading effects	On request
Flexible use	
Various BTS synchronization facilities as to time and frequency	Easy integration of measuring instrument into operational environment and problem-free adaptation to the specific synchronization signals of a BTS
Remote control via RS-232-C and IEC/IEEE bus	SCPI-compatible for easy generation of user-specific control programs
Low cost of ownership	
Software update via interface	No need to open the instrument; simple download of the latest software version via the RS-232-C interface
3 years of warranty	The optional warranty allows the instruments to be utilized at calculable costs

Overview of options and extras

Designation	Brief description, recommendation	Option	Order No.
OCXO Reference Oscillator	For measurements with exacting requirements on frequency stability. Ensures high absolute accuracy, minimum temperature- dependent drift and especially high long-term stability		1059.6002.02
IQ Modulator Output	For BER measurement on BTS receivers under conditions of fading (application note 1MA04_0E available on request). Generator/fading simulator SMIQ can be connected. Not useable with CMD-B8 and CMD-B2 together, but with CMD-B8 or CMD-B2 (only CMD.59)		1099.3003.02
DCS 1900 Base Station Test	For testing DCS 1900 base stations (only CMD 54/57)	CMD-B19	1059.6201.02
OCXO Reference Oscillator For highly demanding requirements on frequency stability. Oven crystal with highest long-term stability. Aging $3.5 \cdot 10^{-8}$		CMD-B2	1059.8604.02
DC Voltmeter/Ammeter	Specific voltage and current measurements (only for CMD59)	CMD-B20	1059.6401.02
Reference Frequency For synchronizing DUT and measuring instrument with internal or external frequencies		CMD-B3	1051.6202.02
AF Measurement Unit with Frequency Counter	This option includes an AF generator, a voltmeter, a distortion meter and a frequency counter for measurements on the audio interface or on modules. CMD-B41 permits measurements up to 60 MHz as are required for LO alignment	CMD-B41	1051.6902.02
Realtime Speech Coder/ Decoder			1051.8657.02
Adapter for CMD-B6x Options	·		1051.7409.02
IEC/IEEE-Bus Interface	IEC/IEEE-Bus Interface Alternative to standard RS-232-C interface for remote control of CMD		1051.7609.02
Memory Card Interface Memory cards are a versatile medium for storing instrument settings		CMD-B62	1051.8205.02
A _{bis} Interface	For sensitivity measurments; required for ${\rm A}_{\rm bis}$ control. ${\rm A}_{\rm bis}$ card for BER measurements at this interface	CMD-B7	1051.8357.02



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Designation	Brief description, recommendation			Option	Order No.	
Test Mobile Functionality	Adds signalling software, SIM card reader and selective filter to the basic model (CMD-B6 required, not usable with CMD-B2 and CMD-B17)			CMD-B8	1059.8204.02	
A _{bis} Control Software	Comprises the A _{bis} ERICSSON RBS200, RBS2000 control software for a certain base station including application program for manual and automatic testing (CMD-B7 required) ERICSSON RBS200, RBS2000 NOKIA DE21, DE34, DE45, PRIME SITE ITALTEL BS902 INMC S2000, S4000, S8000 SIEMENS SBS20, SBS60 ALCATEL uBTS G2, M1C/M1M, G1 MKII, G2 LUCENT TECH. BTS2000/2, Cube		CMD-K10 CMD-K11 CMD-K12 CMD-K13 CMD-K14 CMD-K16 CMD-K17	1082.2050.02 1082.2150.02 1082.2250.02 1082.2350.02 1082.2450.02 1082.2750.02 1082.2850.02		
Software Upgrade Contract	1 year software upgrade for A _{bis} Control Software CMD-K10 CMD-K11 CMD-K12 CMD-K13 CMD-K14 CMD-K16 CMD-K16			CMDSK10 CMDSK11 CMDSK12 CMDSK13 CMDSK14 CMDSK16 CMDSK17	1082.2950.02 1082.3040.02 1082.3740.02 1082.3140.02 1082.3240.02 1082.3340.02 1082.3440.02	
Signalling Software	For signalling purposes eg in test network or in production. Adds call setup functionality to the basic model (functionality is also contained in CMD-B8)			CMD-K30	1082.4530.02	
Ciphering Software	Allows encryption according to ETSI Rec. (A5-1/A5-2) (in conjunction with CMD-B8)			CMD-K51 CMD-K52	1082.3540.02 1082.3640.02	
UIC European Train Radio	Allows measurements in the UIC frequency range – European train radiote-lephony based on GSM-identical signalling (for CMD54/57 only)			CMD-K80	1082.4930.02	
Modification Kit High-Level 2nd RF Output (13 dBm)	For off-air measurements. The standard output level range of the second output is approx. -33 dBm to -120 dBm; the level range $+9$ dBm to -60 dBm is offered alternatively (for CMD54 only)			CMD-U2	1059.6301.02	
Modification Kit High-Level 2nd RF Output (9 dBmor 11 dBm)	For off-air measurements. The standard output level range of the second output is approx. -35 dBm to -120 dBm; the level range $+9$ dBm/ $+11$ dBm to -60 dBm is offered alternatively (for CMD $57/59$ only, not usable with CMD-U13)			CMD-U3	1059.6501.02	
Trigger Inputs/Outputs	The time synchronization signals can additionally be applied to BNC connectors on the rear panel. For monitoring purposes the demodulated I/Q signals are brought out at BNC sockets (rear panel)			CMD-U5	1059.6901.02	
Power Meas. Calibration	Power measurement error GSM 1800/1900 < 0.5 dB (38 dBm to 44 dBm); output level accuracy for BER < 1 dB (-95 dBm to -102 dBm)			CMD-U9	1059.7408.02	
Modification of RF IN/OUT	Test of micro BTS. Peak power meter measurement range –10 dBm to 37 dBm alternatively to standard range 0 dBm to 47 dBm (not usable with CMD-U3)			CMD-U13	1059.4009.02	
Memory Card	Formatted PCMCIA-compatible memory card for storing instrument settings (CMD-B62 required)		CMD-Z1	1059.4809.02		
Cable Sets	Cable sets comprise A_b monitor cables 75 Ω an RF connections for A_{bis} in-service tests	nd 120 Ω,	ERICSC ERICSC SIEMEN	STS (US models) ON RBS 2000 ON RBS 200 NS SBS 20/60 DE 21/34 DE 45	CMD-Z20 CMD-Z21 CMD-Z22 CMD-Z23 CMD-Z24 CMD-Z25	1099.3403.02 1099.3503.02 1099.3655.02 1099.3803.02 1099.3955.02 1099.4100.02
Rucksack	Multifunction carrying bag for the instrument		CMD-Z40	1059.7808.02		
Handset	Together with CMD-B8 + CMD-B5 allows to talk using CMD in the same way as a mobile			CMD-Z50	1059.4250.02	
Message Editor	For analysis of signalling logs on an external PC. Message editor for layer 3 message log			CRPCPH2	1081.6552.02	
Transit Case	Robust case for transport CMD with Rucksack CMD-Z40				ZZK-014	1013.9595.00



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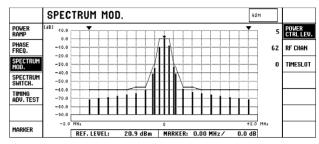
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ADDIT. MEAS.	TRAFFIC CHANNEL TEST		DCS 1800	
POWER RAMP	Peak Power: 44.8 dBm	TRAFFIC CHANNEL:	45 dBm	EXPECTED POWER
PHASE FREQ.	Avg. Burst Power: 44.4 dBm	RF Channel:	740	
SPECTRUM MOD.	Power Ramp: PASS	Timeslot:	0	
SPECTRUM SWITCH.	Timeslot: 0		-35.0 dBm	MS SIGNAL RF LEVEL
BER TEST	Freq. Error: 15 Hz		HANDSET	SPEECH MODE
	Phase Error (PK): 7.2 °		RF LOOPBACK	BER Mode
	Phase Error (RMS): 2.1°			CALL RELEASE

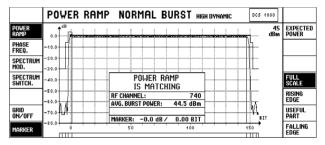
After synchronization to the base station and setting up of a traffic channel, all relevant RF parameters are immediately measured and displayed; this menu also allows a quick change of channel, power and timeslot as well as setting of CMD transmission parameters



The spectrum due to modulation and switching can be measured in line with GSM specifications within a minimum of time and graphically displayed; the built-in marker function allows the digital value of each individual spectral line to be called up

SINGLE BER MEAS.	CONTINUOUS	BIT ERROR	RATE	65M	
RESTART	CLASS	RBER 0.321 %	TRAFFIC CHAN. LEVEL:	-103.0 dBm	USED TIMESLOT
	II Ib	0.000 %	(relative to USED TS)	0.0 dB	UNUSED Timeslot
	CLASS Erased Frames	FER 0.000 %			
	MS RECEIVER REPORTS				
	CRC ERRORS:	0			
MEAS. MODE	BER RBER				
AVERAGE	20 Frame	INDICATOR			

Sensitivity of a transceiver module of the base station is verified by means of a bit error rate (BER) test in RF loopback mode



CMD 54 allows the power ramp to be measured with high dynamic range; with graphic display, the zoom function enables application-oriented resolution of parts of the displayed curve

50 mO

Option CMD-B41

Specifications in brief

Common data of CMD 54/57

Timebase TCXO

Nominal frequency Frequency drift (0 to 35°C)

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Timebase OCXO

Nominal frequency Frequency drift (0 to 50°C)

Aging

Timebase OCXO

Nominal frequency Frequency drift (0 to 50°C) (referred to 25°C)

Aging after 30 days of operation and under constant operat. conditions

Warmup time (at 25°C)

DC voltmeter Measurement range

DC ammeter Operating modes standard 10 MHz ≤1.5 x 10⁻⁶ ≤0.5 x 10⁻⁶/year (at 35°C)

Option CMD-B1 10 MHz ≤1 x 10⁻⁷

≤1 x 10 ≤2 x 10⁻⁷/year ≤5 x 10⁻⁹/day after 30 days of oper-

Option CMD-B2 10 MHz

≤5 x 10⁻⁹

≤3.5 x 10⁻⁸/year ≤5 x 10⁻¹⁰/day approx. 10 min

(CMD59: option CMD-B20)

0 V to ±30 V

(CMD59: option CMD-B20) current averaging with GSM-adapted time constant, current peak measure ment (maximum and minimum)

0 V to ± 10 A Measurement range ±30 V Common-mode rejection

AF Measurement Unit

AF generator

Resistance

50 Hz to 10 kHz Frequency range Level range $10 \,\mu\text{V}$ to $5 \,\text{V}$ Output impedance $<5\Omega$

AF voltmeter

50 Hz to 10 kHz Frequency range Measurement range 0.1 mV to 30 V Input impedance $1 M\Omega$

Distortion meter

300 Hz to 3 kHz Frequency range Input level range 100 mV to 30 V

AF counter

20 Hz to 10 kHz Frequency range Input levél range 10 mV to 30 V Resolution ≤1 Hz

IF counter

Frequency range Input level range Resolution

10 kHz to 60 MHz100 mV rms to TTL 1 Hz

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GSM-specific measurement of spectrum

Spectrum due to modulation

Test method Resolution filter bandwidth

Measurement at an offset of

Dynamic range for offset >400 kHz

Spectrum due to switching Test method

Resolution filter bandwidth Measurement at an offset of Dynamic range for offset >400 kHz

Error

relative measurement, averaging

100/200/250/400/600/800/ 1000/1200/1400/1600 and 1800 kHz

better than specified by GSM

max. 80 dB <±1.5 dB

relative measurement, Max Hold over

several measurements

400/600/1200 and 1800 kHz better than specified by GSM max. 80 dB, with SW correction max. 76 dB, without SW correction ≤1.5 dB (dynamic range <50 dBc) ≤2.5 dB (dynamic range 50 to 80 dBc)

Multi-Reference Frequency Inputs/Outputs Option CMD-B3

Synchronization input

Frequency (selectable)

GSM bit clock (270.8 kHz), 2/4/16 times GSM bit clock, 1 to 13 MHz in 1 MHz steps, 2.048/ 16.384/26/39/52 MHz approx. 100 Ω

10 MHz with internal reference

with external reference

TTL, $R_{out} = 50 \Omega$

TTL, $R_{out} = 50 \Omega$

or frequency at synchronization input

GSM bit clock, 2/4/16 times GSM

bit clock, 1/2/4 or 13 MHz

Impedance O'dBm to TTL Level

Synchronization output 1:

Frequency

Level Synchronization output 2:

Frequency (selectable)

Abis Interface

Receive channel (traffic/speech)

Option CMD-B7 75 Ω/high-impedance, unbalanced; 120 Ω /high-impedance, balanced; 16 kbit/s, timeslot selectable

same as timebase

-33 to −120 dBm

GMSK, $B \times T = 0.3$

≤4° rms, ≤10° peak

800 to 1000 MHz

10 to 47 dBm

≤1.3

Interfaces

RS-232-C (9-pin), Centronics (25-pin)

GSM900: 890.2 to 914.8 MHz

GSM channel spacing 200 kHz

E-GSM900: 925.2 to 935.0 MHz

<3 ms for phase error <2°

E-GSM900: 880.2 to 890.0 MHz

Specific data of CMD 54 (GSM 900)

RF generator

Frequency range Frequency accuracy

Resolution Settling time

Output level (RF IN/OUT)/ (OUTPUT 2)

Modulation Phase error

Peak power meter (RF IN/OUT)

Frequency range Measurement range

Phase and frequency error measurement GSM900: 935.2 to 959.8 MHz

Frequency range

Level range RF IN/OUT 10 to 47 dBm RF IN 2 -60 to 0 dBm **Burst power measurement**

GSM900: 935.2 to 959.8 MHz Frequency range E-GSM900: 925.2 to 935.0 MHz

Reference level for full dynamic range

10 to 47 dBm RF IN/OUT RF IN 2 -37 to 0 dBm

High-dynamic burst analysis

Relative error of individual

test samples ≤1.5 dB to 72 dB below peak power

>72 dB Dynamic range Measurement limit RF IN/OUT <-36 dBm Measurement limit RF IN 2 <-83 dBm

Specific data of CMD 57/59 (GSM 900/1800/1900)

RF generator

GSM900: 890.2 to 914.8 MHz Frequency range

E-GSM900: 880.2 to 890.0 MHz GSM1800: 1710.2 to 1784.8 MHz

GSM 19001):

1850.2 to 1909.8 MHz same as timebase Frequency accuracy GSM channel spacing 200 kHz Resolution

Settling time <3 ms for phase error <2° Output level (RF IN/OUT)/(OUTPUT 2) -35(-371) to -120 dBm

Modulation GMSK, $B \times T = 0.3$ <4° rms, <10° peak Phase error

Peak power meter (RF IN/OUT)

Frequency range 800 to 1000/1700 to 1900 MHz Measurement range 0 to 47 dBm

Maximum RF power 47 dBm pulsed 45 dBm CW

47 dBm CW at room temperature

VSWR

Phase and frequency error measurement

Frequency range

GSM900: 935.2 to 959.8 MHz E-GSM900: 925.2 to 935.0 MHz GSM 1800: 1805.2 to 1879.8 MHz

GSM 1900¹⁾

1930.2 to 1989.8 MHz

Level range

RF IN/OUT 0 to 47 dBm -57(-51¹⁾) to 0 dBm RF IN 2

Burst power measurement

GSM900: 935.2 to 959.8 MHz Frequency range

E-GSM900: 925.2 to 935.0 MHz GSM1800: 1805.2 to 1879.8 MHz GSM 19001):

≤1.5 dB to 72 dB below peak power

1930.2 to 1989.8 MHz

Reference level for full

dynamic range

RF IN/OUT GSM900: 10 to 47 dBm GSM1800/1900: 0 to 47 dBm RF IN 2 -37(-31¹⁾) to 0 dBm

High-dynamic burst analysis

Relative error of individual test samples

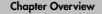
Dynamic range Measurement limit RF IN/OUT

>72 dB GSM900: <-36 dBm GSM 1800: <-48 dBm

Measurement limit RF IN 2

GSM 1900: <-42 dBm GSM: <-83 dBm GSM1800: <-85 dBm GSM 1900: <-79 dBm





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CMD 54/57/59 in multicarrier mode (Option CMD-B8)

The specifications apply to all cases, in which interfering carriers (up to 30 dB above useful level) are more than 30 GSM channels away. If there are interfering signals close to the useful carrier, an additional IF filter is switched in (multicarrier mode).

Typical filter characteristics in multicarrier mode

Ottset trom usetul channel (kHz)	Filter suppression (d
0	0 (reference)
200	<3
400	>20
600	>33
800	>41
1000	>48

This filter increases the measurement error for phase and power measurements.

Phase and frequency error measurement

Inherent phase error $\leq 2^{\circ}$ (rms), $\leq 7.5^{\circ}$ (peak)

Measurement of peak power/burst power

Level error ≤1.5 dB

GSM-specific spectrum measurements

The dynamic range specified for the basic model refers to the sum of all input voltage components. The additional GSM carriers appear as strong spurious emissions in the spectrum measurement and have to be taken into account accordingly when evaluating the tolerances.

Typical effects of an interferer on power and modulation measurement results (see diagrams on the right). The characteristics of an interferer close to the carrier have the following effect on the measurement error:

- Power: the lower the power of the interferer, the smaller the measurement error.
- Frequency offset: the larger the frequency offset of the interferer, the smaller the measurement error. In the diagrams on the right an interferer with an offset of m=3 or m=6 GSM channels has been assumed.
- Spectral purity: the narrower the modulation spectrum of the interferer, the smaller the measurement error. In the diagrams on the right the modulation spectrum to GSM 05.05 with linear interpolation (in the dB/Hz coordinates) has been used (worst case spectrum).
- Number of carriers: the fewer the carriers, the smaller the measurement error. In the example, 1 interferer has been assumed.

The curves shown in the diagrams have been **calculated** assuming the worst case spectrum as interferer, the guaranteed CMD-B8 specifications for phase and power measurement and a typical IF filter characteristic.

The **measured values** are based on a real GSM spectrum, typical CMD-B8 specifications and typical filter characteristic.

General data

Rated temperature range 0 to +45°C to DIN IEC 68-2-1/2 Storage temperature range -40 to +60°C Power supply 100 to 120 V AC ±10%

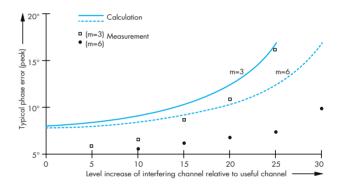
200 to 240 V AC ±10% 50 to 400 Hz ±5%

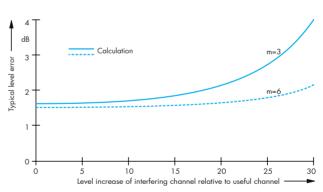
Power consumption (without options) approx. 85 W

Dimensions (W x H x D) 435 mm x 192 mm x 363 mm

Weight (without options) approx. 14 kg

Calculation (m=3) Measurement (m=6) m=3 m=6 m=6 m=6 pure line regard of interfering channel relative to useful channel





Phase and level error as a function of adjacent-channel power and adjacent-channel frequency offset

Ordering information

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For GSM 1800 CMD54 1050.9008.54 for GSM 1800 CMD57 1050.9008.57 for GSM 1900n CMD-B19 1050.9008.59

Accessories supplied power cable, operating manual, fuses

Options see overview of options on page 31



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¹⁾ In GSM 1900 mode with option CMD-B19 fitted.