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#### Advanced I-V curve tracer up to 1,500V and 40A

Photovoltaic tester **IV 600** is a multifunction **I-V curve tracer** meeting IEC/EN60891. **IV 600** tests performance and functionality of **single face** and **bifacial** modules in PV systems.

#### IV 600: I-V curve tracing (performance/acceptance test)

IV 600 verifies the performance of PV strings in accordance with IEC/EN60891 by **tracing the I-V curve up to 1,500V and 40A**. Through the solar radiation and PV module temperature measurements (main unit wirelessly connected and/or synchronized to the remote unit SOLAR03), IV 600 extrapolates curves to the STC (Standard Test Conditions: 1000W/m², 25°C, AM 1.5) and compares them to the nominal values provided by the module manufacturer. The wide internal database already stores more than **40,000** modules, more modules can be added. Finally, IV 600 provides a positive or negative outcome (OK/NO).

#### IV 600: Functionality checks

IV 600 verifies the functionality of PV strings in accordance with IEC/EN62446 by measuring the open circuit voltage and short-circuit current under operating conditions **up to 1,500V and 40A**. According to the requirements of IEC/EN62446, IV 600 displays measures as well as their comparison to the previously tested PV strings. Through the solar radiation and PV module temperature measurements (main unit wirelessly connected and/or synchronized to the remote unit SOLAR03), IV 600 extrapolates measures to the STC (Standard Test Conditions: 1000W/m², 25°C, AM 1.5) and compares them to the nominal values provided by the module manufacturer. The wide internal database already stores more than **40,000** modules, more modules can be added. Finally, IV 600 provides a positive or negative outcome (OK/NO).

#### IV 600: A green solution that never runs out of battery

To minimize battery consumption and allow battery recharging under any condition, IV 600 includes a revolutionary, **patent pending BMS** (**Battery Management System**) that automatically recovers energy from the test procedure to recharge the batteries. In addition, IV 600 is powered by the PV module/string under test that also recharges the instrument's batteries to never run out of power.

## 1. GENERAL FEATURES

Feature		Note
Ratings		CAT III 1500VDC
PV module type - all most common types of photovoltaic module	Single face	<b>✓</b>
	Bifacial	<b>→</b>
I-V curve – voltage range		15V – 1500V DC
I-V curve – current range		0.2A – 40A DC
DMM (input voltages)		~
Wireless environmental parameters measurement (free field; max	Irradiance	<b>✓</b>
100m, bluetooth connection with SOLAR03 required)	Module temperature	<b>✓</b>
Commissioning tests @ OPC (OPerating Conditions)	Open circuit voltage (Voc)	<b>✓</b>
	Short circuit current (Isc)	<b>→</b>
Commissioning tests @ STC (Standard Test Conditions) (free field;	Open circuit voltage (Voc)	~
max 100m, bluetooth connection with SOLAR03 required)	Short circuit current (Isc)	<b>✓</b>
Performance/Acceptance tests @ OPC (OPerating Conditions) – I-V co	urve:	<b>✓</b>
Performance/Acceptance tests @ STC (Standard Test Conditions)	I-V curve	<b>→</b>
(free field; max 100m, bluetooth connection with SOLAR03 required)	Outcome (OK/NO)	<b>→</b>
PV module datasheet data base		> 40,000 internal
Memory		9999 Test
Data transfer / Communication port		USB-C and WiFi
Touch screen colour graphic LCD		800 x 600 pxl
Help on line		<b>→</b>
Buzzer		<b>✓</b>
Battery recharging	<ul> <li>Instrument inputs</li> </ul>	✓ with BMS
	<ul> <li>External power supply</li> </ul>	<b>→</b>
Batteries	8 x 1.5V alkaline AA	<b>✓</b>
	8 x 1.2V rechargeable AA	<b>✓</b>
Temperature range		-10°C – +50°C
_		14°F – 122°F
Waterproof		IP67 (closed) – IP40 (open)

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# 2. ELECTRICAL SPECIFICATIONS

Accuracy is calculated as  $\pm$  [% readings + (no. of digits) \* resolution] at 23 °C  $\pm$  5 °C, relative humidity <80%HR

## 2.1. DMM

DC Voltage			
Range (V)	Resolution (V)	Uncertainty	
3 ÷ 1500	1	± (1.0%rdg + 2dgt)	

AC TRMS Voltage		
Range (V)	Resolution (V)	Uncertainty
3 ÷ 1000	1	± (1.0%rdg + 3dgt)

Frequency range: 42.5 ÷ 69Hz ; Voltages zeroed for measured value <3V

# 2.2. FUNCTIONAL TEST

IV CHECK - DC Voltage @ OPC		
Range (V)	Resolution (V)	Uncertainty
3.0 ÷ 1500.0	0.1	±(0.2% Voc)

Minimum VPN voltage to start the test: 15V

IV CHECK - DC Current @ OPC		
Range (A)	Resolution (A)	Uncertainty
0.20 ÷ 40.00	0.01	±(0.2% lsc)

PV module stray capacitance: max 30uF

IV CHECK - DC Voltage @ STC		
Range (V)	Resolution (V)	Uncertainty
3.0 ÷ 1500.0	0.1	$\pm (4.0\% \text{rdg} + 2 \text{dgt})$

IV CHECK - DC Current @ STC		
Range (A)	Resolution (A)	Uncertainty
0.20 ÷ 40.00	0.01	$\pm$ (4.0%rdg + 2dgt)

PV module stray capacitance: max 30uF

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# 2.3. I-V CURVE TRACING

IV TEST- DC Voltage @ OPC			
Range (V)	Resolution (V)	Uncertainty	
3.0 ÷ 1500.0	0.1	±(0.2% Voc)	

Minimum VPN voltage to start the test: 15V

IV TEST - DC Current @ OPC		
Range (A)	Resolution (A)	Uncertainty
$0.20 \div 40.00$	0.01	±(0.2% lsc)

PV module stray capacitance: max 30uF

IV TEST - DC Voltage @ STC			
Range (V)	Resolution (V)	Uncertainty	
3.0 ÷ 1500.0	0.1	$\pm (4.0\% \text{rdg} + 2 \text{dgt})$	

IV TEST - DC Current @ STC			
Range (A)	Resolution (A)	Uncertainty	
$0.20 \div 40.00$	0.01	±(4.0%rdg+2dgt)	

PV module stray capacitance: max 30uF

IV TEST - DC Power @ OPC		
Range (W) (*)	Resolution (W)	Uncertainty
50 ÷ 9999	1	$\pm$ (1.0%rdg+6dgt)
10.00k ÷ 99.99k	0.01k	±(1.0%rda+6dat)

PV module stray capacitance: max 30uF

<sup>(\*)</sup> The max power the instrument can measure considers a FF = 0.7. Therefore Pmax= 1500V x 40A x 0.7 = 42.00kW

IV TEST - DC Power @ STC (ref. to 1 PV module)		
Range (W)	Resolution (W)	Uncertainty
50 ÷ 9999	1	+(4.0%rda+2dat)

PV module stray capacitance: max 30uF

## PV module type

All most common types of photovoltaic module, single face as well as bi-facial

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# 3. GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS

**DISPLAY AND MEMORY:** 

Features: Color graphic touch screen LCD 800x600 Memory: max 9999 test, 3 levels of marker

Internal Data Base of PV module: > 40,000

**POWER SUPPLY:** 

Internal: 8x1.5V type AA alkaline or

8x1.2V type AA NiMH rechargeable battery

External: PV inputs (Vmin 40V)

Power supply adapter A0061 (100-415V, 50/60Hz, CAT IV 300V)

Battery life (@ 20°C): IV and IVCK: >1,000 tests

IV 600 battery life is also extended by BMS (Battery Management System - patent pending) that recovers

energy absorbed while tracing the IV curve to recharge the batteries.

According to battery manufacturers prescriptions, batteries are charged with environmental temperature

within 0°C and +40°C to protect the batteries, enhance their life and prevent explosion or acid leak.

**OUTPUT INTERFACE** 

PC communication: USB Type C and WiFi

SOLAR-03 communication: BT communication (max distance 100m - outdoor free field)

**MECHANICAL FEATURES** 

Dimensions (L x W x H): 335 x 289 x 155mm; (13.1 x 11.4 x 6.1in)

Weight (batteries included): 6kg; (212 ounces)

Mechanical protection: IP67 (case closed), IP40 (open)

**ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS:** 

Reference temperature: 23°C ± 5°C : (73°F ± 41°F) Operating temperature: -10°C ÷ 50°C ; (14°F ÷ 122°F)

Allowable relative humidity: <80%RH

Storage temperature:  $-20^{\circ}\text{C} \div 60^{\circ}\text{C}$ ;  $(-4^{\circ}\text{F} \div 140^{\circ}\text{F})$ 

Storage humidity: <80%RH Max. operating altitude: 2000m (6562ft)

**GENERAL REFERENCE STANDARDS:** 

IEC/EN61010-1, 61010-2-030 Safety:

EMC: IEC/EN61326-1 Safety of measurement accessories: IEC/EN61010-031

Measurements: IEC 60891, IEC/EN62446-1 (PV performance, IVCK)

Technical documentation: **IEC EN 61187** Insulation: double insulation

Pollution degree:

CAT III 1500V to ground, Overvoltage category: Max 1500VDC among inputs

Max. operating altitude: 2000m (6562ft)

This instrument satisfies the requirements of Directives:

RED: Directive 2014/53/EU, LVD: Directive 2014/35/EU, EMCD: Directive 2014/30/EU

RoHS: Directive 2011/65/EU, WEEE: Directive 2012/19/EU

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