# 1730 LCR Digibridge Instruction Manual

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# Warranty



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QuadTech's service policy is to maintain product repair capability for a period of at least five (5) years after original shipment and to make this capability available at the then prevailing schedule of charges.

# **Specifications**

#### **LCR Features**

**Primary Parameters:** Ls, Lp, Cs, Cp, Rs, Rp and |Z|

 $\begin{array}{lll} Ls, Lp: & 0.001 \mu H - 99.999 kH \\ Cs, Cp: & 0.001 pF - 9.9999 F \\ Rs, Rp: & 0.01 m\Omega - 99.99 M\Omega \\ |Z|: & 0.01 m\Omega - 99.99 M\Omega \end{array}$ 

**Secondary Parameters:** D, Q, ESR, Xs and  $\theta$ 

D: 0.0001 - 9999Q: 0.0001 - 9999ESR:  $0.01m\Omega - 99.99M\Omega$ Xs:  $0.01m\Omega - 99.99M\Omega$ θ:  $-180.00^{\circ} - 180.00^{\circ}$ 

**Measurement Accuracy:** Basic LCR: 0.1% Basic DQ: ±0.001

**Measurement Rate:** Fast: 62 measurements/second

Medium: 19 measurements/second Slow: 3 measurements/second

**Measurement Mode:** Continuous or Trigger (INT, EXT or Manual)

**Measurement Delay:** 0 - 10 seconds in 1ms increments

**Averaging:** 1-256 measurements

**Ranging:** Automatic or User Selectable

**Equivalent Circuit:** Series or Parallel

**Test Voltage:** 10mV to 1.0V programmable in 10mV steps

**Test Frequency:** 7 User Selectable Test Frequencies

100Hz, 120Hz, 1kHz, 10kHz, 20kHz, 50kHz and 100kHz

Accuracy:  $\pm (0.01\% \pm 0.01 \text{Hz})$ 

**Source Impedance:**  $100/25\Omega$  (instrument auto-selects based on DUT impedance),

 $100\Omega$ ,  $25\Omega$ ,  $10\Omega$ c.c. (constant current)

# **Specifications (Continued)**

## **General Features**

**Bias Voltage:** Internal: (R<sub>BIAS</sub>) 0-5V DC, External: Programmable 0-5V DC

**Bias Current:** Internal: (R<sub>BIAS</sub>) 0-200mA

**Display:** 240 x 64 LCD Graphic display

**Results Format:** • Value • Deviation • %Deviation • Bin Number

**Indication:** Audible alarm programmable HI, LOW or OFF for Pass or Fail

**Setup Storage**: 50 Memory Locations

Standard

**Interfaces:** • IEEE-488 • Handler

**Connectors:** Front Connection: 4 BNC Sockets (L<sub>CUR</sub>, L<sub>POT</sub>, H<sub>POT</sub>, H<sub>CUR</sub>)

Rear Connection: EXT Bias Terminal Strip, 1 BNC Connector

GUARD: Banana Socket (Front & Rear connection)

Front Panel Key Lock with or without setup recall

**Lockout:** Back Lit Display: LOCK

**Mechanical:** Bench Mount

Dimensions:(w x h x d): 12.50 x 4.00 x 13.50 inches

312.5 x 100.0 x 337.5 mm

**Weight:** 12.4 lbs (5.7 kg) net, 17 lbs (7.8 kg) shipping

**Environmental:** Operating:  $10^{\circ}\text{C}$  to  $+40^{\circ}\text{C}$ , 10-90% RH

Storage:  $0^{\circ}\text{C to} + 50^{\circ}\text{C}, 10\text{-}90\% \text{ RH}$ 

Pollution Degree 2 Installation Category II

**Power:** • 90-125VAC • 190-250VAC • 50 or 60Hz • 65W max

Supplied: • Instruction Manual • Power Cable

• Calibration Certificate

OrderingDescriptionCatalog No.Information:LCR Digibridge1730

# Accessories

### **Accessories Included**

Item	Quantity	QuadTech P/N
AC Power Cord	1	4200-0300
Power Line Fuse 1A 250V SB	1	520026
Power Line Fuse 0.5A 250V SB	1	520138
Instruction Manual	1	150683
Calibration Certificate	1	N/A

# **Accessories/Options Available**

Item	Quantity	QuadTech P/N
Axial/Radial Component Test Fixture	1	1700-01
Axial/Radial Remote Test Fixture	1	1700-02
Lead Set: 4 BNC Connectors to 2 Kelvin Clips	1	1700-03
BNC to BNC Cable Lead Set (1m)	1	7000-01
BNC to BNC Cable Lead Set (2m)	1	7000-02
Lead Set: 4 BNC Connectors to Chip Component Tweezers	1	7000-05
Low Voltage Chip Component Test Fixture	1	7000-07
50-pin micro-ribbon plug (for Handler)	1	329210

# **NOTE:**

For proper operation, the  $H_{CUR}/H_{POT}/I_{CUR}/I_{POT}$  cable shields must be connected together at the DUT. This connection is already made using the 1730 recommended accessory leads. If the shields are not tied together, then at higher frequencies a resonance may occur which could cause erroneous capacitance readings.

# **Safety Precautions**

## **CAUTION**

The 1730 LCR Digibridge can provide an external bias output voltage of 5V DC to the device under test (DUT). Although the 1730 Digibridge unit is a low voltage instrument, some devices tested (especially capacitors) can store charge and may cause serious hazards if not discharged properly. Follow these safety instructions.

- 1. Operate the 1730 unit with its chassis connected to earth ground. The instrument is shipped with a three-prong power cord to provide this connection to ground. This power cord should only be plugged in to a receptacle that provides earth ground. Serious injury can result if the 1730 unit is not connected to earth ground.
- 2. Tightly connect BNC cables to the silver output terminals: **H**<sub>POT</sub>, **H**<sub>CUR</sub>, **L**<sub>POT</sub>, and **L**<sub>CUR</sub>. If this is not done, the DUT's casing can be charged to the high voltage test level and injury or electrical shock hazards could result if the DUT is touched.
- 3. Never touch the test leads, test fixture or DUT in any manner (this includes insulation on all wires and clips) when the bias voltage is applied and the **BIAS** backlight is **ON**.
- 4. Before turning on the 1730 Digibridge unit, make sure there is no device (DUT) or fixture connected to the test leads.
- 5. When the **BIAS** backlight is **ON**, NEVER touch the device under test, the lead wires or the output terminals.
- 6. Before touching the test lead wires or output terminals make sure:
  - a) Make sure any capacitive device has been discharged fully.
  - b) The **BIAS** backlight is **OFF**.
- 7. **In the case of an emergency**, turn OFF the POWER switch using a "hot stick" and disconnect the AC power cord from the wall. Do not touch the 1730 instrument.
- 8. Be wary when the 1730 Digibridge instrument is used in remote control mode. The bias voltage output is being turned on and off with an external signal.

# **Condensed Operating Instructions**

#### **General Information**

The 1730 Digibridge is an instrument for measuring the passive component primary parameters of inductance (L), capacitance (C), resistance (R) and impedance (Z). Secondary parameters measured are dissipation factor (D), quality factor (Q), equivalent series resistance (ESR), reactance (X), and phase angle ( $\theta$ ). Any two of twelve parameters can be measured simultaneously and the results formatted as value, deviation from nominal, %deviation from nominal or by bin number. Connection to device under test is through 4BNC terminals on the front panel.

### Start-Up

The 1730 Digibridge unit can be operated from a power source between 90-125V or 190-250V AC at a power line frequency of 50 or 60Hz. The standard 1730 unit is shipped from QuadTech with a 1A fuse in place for AC 90-125V operation. (A 0.5A fuse is included for AC 190-250V operation). The 1730 unit is shipped with the line voltage selector set for 115V. Refer to paragraph 1.4.3 for instructions on changing the fuse or line voltage selector.

Connect the 1730 Digibridge unit AC power cord to the source of proper voltage. Operate the 1730 instrument with its chassis connected to earth ground. The 1730 instrument is shipped with a three-prong power cord to provide this connection to ground. This power cord should only be plugged into a receptacle that provides earth ground. Serious injury may result if the 1730 instrument is not connected to earth ground.

To turn the 1730 instrument ON, press the power button on the front panel. To switch the power OFF, press the button again or if measurements are to be made proceed with the Test Parameter Setup in Table COI-1. The 1730 instrument should warm up for 15 minutes prior to use.

## NOTE

Please read this instruction manual in its <u>entirety</u> before operating this instrument. These condensed operating instructions are not a substitute for all the information provided in the remainder of this manual.

## **NOTE**

Refer to paragraphs 2.3 through 2.4 for a <u>full description</u> of programming test parameters and instruction on how to store the test setup. Test parameters must be set <u>before</u> the 1730 instrument can be zeroed.

# **Condensed Operating Instructions (Continued)**

There are three main menus within the 1730 Digibridge instrument software. Familiarize yourself with these menus prior to programming a test. Figure COI-1 illustrates the MEAS DISPLAY screen and lists the functions that can be accessed by pressing the [MAIN INDEX] and [SYSTEM SETUP] keys.

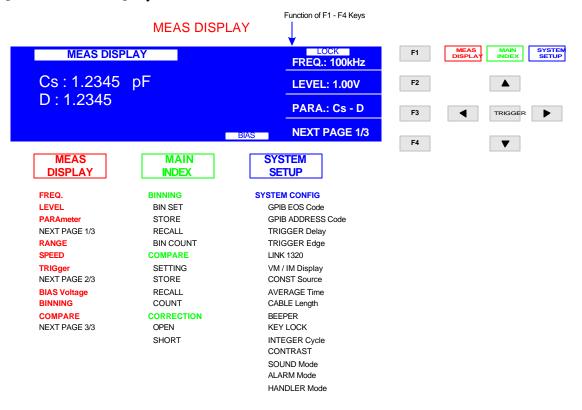


Figure COI-1: 1730 Instrument Menus

#### **NOTE:**

The function keys [F1 - F4] are used to select the parameter to change and in some menus to change the value of that selected parameter.

The function of UP/DOWN depends on the menu. In some menus, the LEFT/RIGHT keys are used to select a digit by moving the underscored cursor left or right.

# **Condensed Operating Instructions (Continued)**

#### 1. Set Test Parameters

- Press [POWER] ON.
- Allow the instrument to warm up for 15 minutes.
- Press [MEAS DISPLAY]
- Set test parameters (frequency, voltage, parameters) using the function & arrow keys.

#### 2. Correction (Zero)

After setting your test parameters, use the correction function of the 1730 Digibridge instrument to zero the test leads. With no device connected, connect the appropriate cable to the front panel BNC connectors. Refer to paragraph 2.6 for cable connections.

With the instrument in MEAS DISPLAY status:

- 1. Press [MAIN INDEX]
- 2. Press [CORRECTION]
- 3. Press [F2] = OPEN (or [F3] = SHORT) to select zero function.
- 4. Press [F2] = MULTI to select frequency.
- 5. Follow instructions on display: i.e.: "Open circuit test leads".
- 6. Press [TRIGGER] button.
- 7. Wait while instrument gets CORRECTION value.
- 8. Press [ANY KEY] to return to MEAS DISPLAY status.
- 9. Repeat steps 3-8 for SHORT correction.

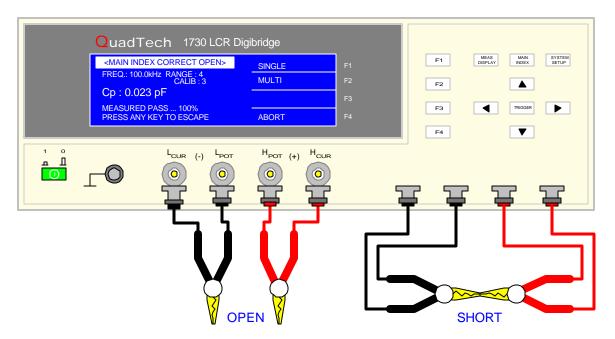
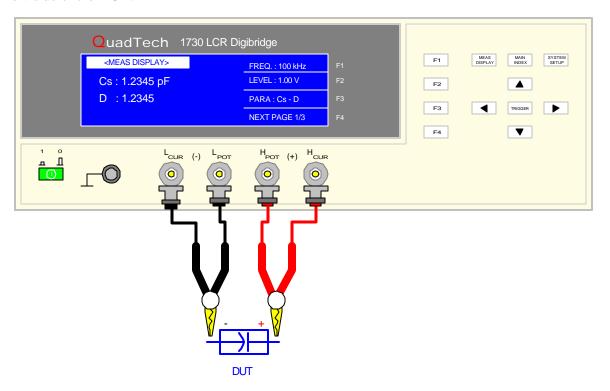


Figure COI-2: Correction OPEN & SHORT Configurations

# **Condensed Operating Instructions (Continued)**

### 3. Connection to Device under Test (DUT)

Figure COI-3 illustrates the connection of the 1730 Digibridge unit to a single DUT using the 1700-03 4-BNC to Kelvin Clips cable lead set. The silver BNC connectors are connected to the front panel BNC terminals on the 1730 unit: red to  $H_{UR}/H_{POT}$  and black to  $I_{CUR}/L_{POT}$ . The red Kelvin clip is connected to the high side of the DUT and the black Kelvin clip to the low side of the DUT.



**COI-3: Connection to Device under Test** 

#### 4. Make a Measurement

- 1. Press [MEAS DISPLAY]
- 2. Connect device under test (DUT) to test leads.
- 3. Press [TRIGGER].
- 4. Record measurement.

#### **NOTE:**

For proper operation, the H<sub>CUR</sub>/H<sub>POT</sub>/I<sub>CUR</sub>/I<sub>POT</sub> cable shields must be connected together at the DUT. This connection is already made using the 1730 recommended accessory leads. If the shields are not tied together, then at higher frequencies a resonance may occur which could cause erroneous capacitance readings.

# **Section 1: Introduction**

# 1.1 Unpacking and Inspection

Inspect the shipping carton before opening. If damaged, contact the carrier agent immediately. Inspect the 1730 Digibridge instrument for any damage. If the instrument appears damaged or fails to meet specifications notify QuadTech (refer to instruction manual front cover) or its local representative. Retain the original shipping carton and packing material for future use such as returning the instrument for recalibration or service.

#### 1.2 Product Overview

The 1730 Digibridge instrument is a compact yet powerful LCR meter for production or laboratory testing of inductors, capacitors, resistors and other passive components. The 1730 instrument measures 12 parameters: Ls, Lp, Cs, Cp, Rs, Rp, D, Q, ESR, |Z|, Xs and  $\theta$  and displays two simultaneously. Basic accuracy is  $\pm 0.1\%$  for LCR and  $\pm 0.001$  for DQ measurements. Ranging is automatic or user selectable. Measurement rate is also selectable (Slow, Medium or Fast) with rates up to 62 measurements per second. Measurements can be made continuously or triggered with a programmable delay time up to 10 seconds. The IEEE-488 and Handler interfaces are standard equipment on the 1730 instrument. External bias voltage measurements are made via connection to the rear panel terminal strip and levels of 0-5V DC are possible. Internal bias voltage from 0-5V is attainable using an R<sub>BIAS</sub> resistor across the rear panel terminal strip. Voltage across and current through the DUT can be monitored using the test Zero the effects of stray admittance/residual impedance in the test leads with the open/short correction function. The source impedance of the 1730 instrument is selectable as  $100\Omega$ ,  $100/25\Omega$ ,  $25\Omega$ , or  $10\Omega$  constant current. Seven test frequencies are selectable from 100Hz to 100kHz. The 1730 instrument is equipped with 8 Pass/Fail bins and 50 Store/Recall memory locations. Test results can be formatted as nominal value, deviation from nominal value or %deviation from nominal value. Bin number or Pass/Fail can be displayed as well. Connection to the device under test is through 4 BNC terminals on the front panel.



Figure 1-1: 1730 LCR Digibridge

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# 1.3 Controls and Indicators

### 1.3.1 Front Panel Controls and Indicators

Figure 1-2 illustrates the controls and indicators on the front panel of the 1730 Digibridge instrument. Table 1-1 identifies them with description and function.

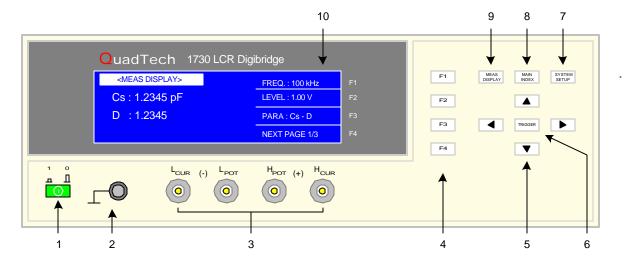


Figure 1-2: 1730 Front Panel Controls & Indicators

**Table 1-1: 1730 Front Panel Controls & Indicators** 

Reference # Figure 1-2	Name	Туре	Function	
1		Green Push Button	Apply AC POWER: 1=ON, 0=OFF	
2		Silver Banana Jack	Chassis ground connection	
3	$L_{CUR}$	4 silver BNC	Current Drive Terminal, Low (-)	
	$L_{POT}$	terminals	Voltage Sense Terminal, Low (-)	
	$H_{POT}$		Voltage Sense Terminal, High (+)	
	$H_{CUR}$		Current Drive Terminal, High (+)	
4	F1, F2, F3	4 gray push buttons	Select Instrument Functions	
	and F4		Keys perform different functions under different menus.	
			Right side of display shows corresponding key function.	
5	, , ,	4 gray push buttons	Move backlit box around display to choose parameter	
			Change parameter value (increase/decrease)	
6	TRIGGER	Gray push button	Initiate measurement	
7	SYSTEM	Gray push button	View, Select or Change System Parameters:	
	SETUP		GPIB, Trigger, Handler, Constant source, VM/IM	
			display, Average, Beeper, Sound, Alarm, Contrast,	
			Integer, Cable Length, Key Lock & Link 1320	
8	MAIN	Gray push button	View, Select or Change Setup & Result Parameters:	
	INDEX		Binning, Compare, Correction & Store & Recall	
9	MEAS	Gray push button	View, Select or Change Measurement Parameters:	
	DISPLAY		Frequency, Voltage, Parameter (Pri/Sec), Range, Speed,	
			Trigger, Bias Voltage, Binning and Compare	
10		240 x 64 LCD	Show measurement results as value, deviation,	
		display	%deviation, bin number or pass/fail.	
			Show programming instructions	

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# 1.3.2 Rear Panel Controls and Connectors

Figure 1-3 illustrates the controls and connectors on the rear panel of the 1730 Digibridge instrument. Table 1-2 identifies them with description and function.

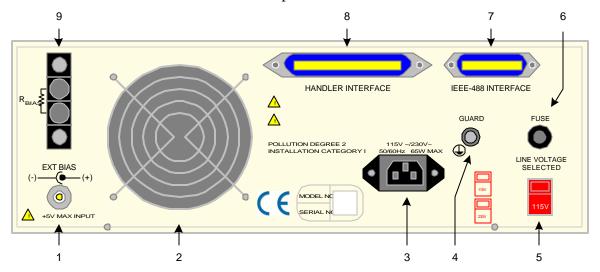


Figure 1-3: Rear Panel 1730 Instrument

**Table 1-2: 1730 Rear Panel Controls & Connectors** 

Reference #	Name	Туре	Function	
Figure 1-3				
1	EXT BIAS	Silver BNC terminal	External Bias Voltage output connection to DUT	
2	FAN	SF11580AT 115V 50/60Hz 0.10A	Cool Unit: T≥50°C = ON, T<45°C = OFF	
3	AC Line Input	Black 3-wire inlet module	Connection to AC power source	
4	GUARD	Silver banana jack	Chassis ground connection	
5	LINE VOLTAGE	2 Red 2-position	Select Voltage Level corresponding to AC Source	
	SELECTED	Slide Switches	90V – 125V: T1.0A 250V fuse	
			190V – 250V: T 0.5A 250V fuse	
6	FUSE	Black screw cap fuse	Short circuit protection	
		holder	T 1.0A 250V fuse for 115V operation	
			T 0.5A 250V fuse for 230V operation	
7	IEEE-488	Blue 24-pin	IEEE-488 Interface connector for data transfer	
	INTERFACE	connector		
8	HANDLER	Blue 50-pin	Handler Interface connector for remote operation	
	INTERFACE	connector		
9	$R_{BIAS}$	Black 4-screw	Remote connection: resistor for internal bias voltage	
		terminal strip	(0-5V) and bias current (0-200mA)	

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#### 1.4 Installation

#### 1.4.1 Dimensions

The 1730 Digibridge unit is supplied in a bench configuration, i.e., in a cabinet with resilient feet for placement on a table. A bail is provided under the front feet so that the 1730 instrument can be tilted up for convenient operator viewing.

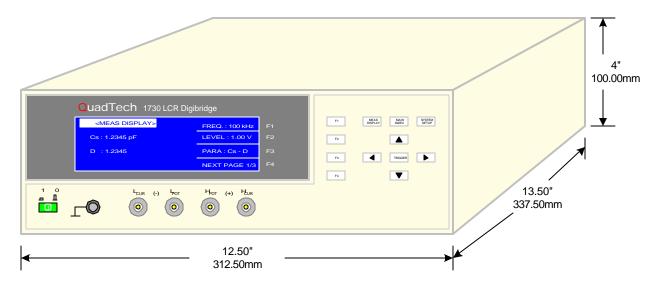


Figure 1-4: 1730 Instrument Dimensions

#### 1.4.2 Instrument Positioning

The 1730 instrument contains one (1) graphic display for direct readout of measured parameters. The optimum angle for viewing is slightly down and about 10 degrees either side of center. For bench operation the front flip feet should always be used to angle the instrument up. In bench or rack mount applications the instrument should be positioned with consideration for ample air flow around the rear panel fan ventilation hole. An open space of at least 3 inches (75mm) is recommended behind the rear panel. Testing should be performed on a non-conductive surface. An ESD mat is not a recommended test platform.

#### 1.4.3 Power Requirements

The 1730 can be operated from a power source of 90 to 125V AC or 190 to 250V AC. Power connection is via the rear panel through a standard receptacle. Before connecting the 3-wire power cord between the unit and AC power source, make sure the voltage selection switches on the rear panel (Figure 1-5) are in accordance with the power source being used. For a 90-125V source, use a 1A 250V fuse. For a 190-250V source, use a 0.5A 250V fuse. Always use an outlet that has a properly connected protection ground.

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#### **CAUTION**

Make sure the unit has been disconnected from its AC power source for at least five minutes before proceeding.

# **Procedure For Changing A 1730 Instrument Fuse**

### Unscrew the fuse cap on the rear panel of the 1730 and pull fuse holder outward.

Once the fuse holder has been removed from the instrument snap the fuse from the holder and replace. Make sure the new fuse is of the proper rating.

Install the fuse back into the cap holder by pushing in until it locks securely in place.

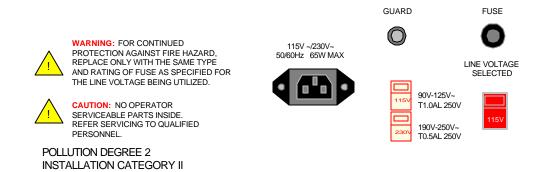


Figure 1-5: Close-Up of 1730 Rear Panel

#### **1.4.4** Safety Inspection

Before operating the instrument inspect the fuse holder on the rear of the 1730 instrument to ensure that the properly rated fuse is in place, otherwise damage to the unit is possible. Make sure that the voltage selector switches are set in accordance with the power source in use. Refer to paragraph 1.4.3 and Figure 1-5.

The 1730 instrument is shipped with a standard U.S. power cord, QuadTech P/N 4200-0300 (with Belden SPH-386 socket or equivalent, and a 3-wire plug conforming to IEC 320). Make sure the instrument is only used with these cables (or other approved international cord set) to ensure that the instrument is provided with connection to protective earth ground.

The surrounding environment should be free from excessive dust to prevent contamination of electronic circuits. The surrounding environment should also be free from excessive vibration. Do not expose the 1730 instrument to direct sunlight, extreme temperature or humidity variations, or corrosive chemicals.

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# **Section 2: Operation**

#### 2.1 Terms and Conventions

**Table 2-1: Measurement Unit Prefixes** 

<u>Multiple</u>	<u>Scientific</u>	<b>Engineering</b>	Symbol
1000000000000000	1015	Peta	P
1000000000000	$10^{12}$	Tera	T
1000000000	$10^{9}$	Giga	G
1000000	106	Mega	M
1000	$10^{3}$	Kilo	k
.001	10-3	milli	m
.000001	10-6	micro	μ
.000000001	10 <sup>-9</sup>	nano	n
.000000000001	10-12	pico	p
.000000000000001	10-15	femto	f

Accuracy:

The difference between the measured value or reading and the true or accepted value. The accuracy of an LCR meter is typically given as a  $\pm$  percentage of the measured value for primary parameters and  $\pm$  an absolute value for secondary value. For example:  $\pm 0.05\%$  for L, C & R and  $\pm 0.0005$  for Df.

Basic Accuracy:

Basic accuracy is specified at optimum test signal, frequencies, highest accuracy setting or slowest measurement speed and impedance of the DUT. As a general rule this means 1VAC RMS signal level, 1kHz frequency, high accuracy which equates to 1 measurement/second, and a DUT impedance between  $10\Omega$  and  $100k\Omega$ .

Binning:

Procedure for sorting components into bins using sequential limits or nested limits.

Capacitor:

Abbreviated C (as in LCR). A capacitor is passive component comprised of two conductors separated by a dielectric. A capacitor stores charge blocks DC flow and allows AC flow based on frequency and capacitor design.

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Capacitance: The measure of the ratio of charge on either plate of a capacitor to

the potential difference (voltage) across the plates. Unit of measure

is the Farad (F).

Capacitive Reactance: A measurement of the actual AC resistance of a capacitor. How

effective a capacitor allows AC to flow depends upon its

capacitance and the frequency used.  $X_C = 1 / 2\pi fC$ .

Compare: Procedure for sorting components by comparing the measured

value against a known standard.

**Current:** 

AC: Alternating Current. AC is an electrical current that has one

polarity during part of the cycle and the opposing polarity during

the other part of the cycle. Residential electricity is AC.

DC: Direct Current. Non-reversing polarity. The movement of charge

is in one direction. Used to describe both current and voltage.

Batteries supply direct current (DC).

Dielectric: A material which is an electrical insulator or in which an electric

field can be sustained with a minimum dissipation of power.

Dielectric Constant: Abbreviated K, relative dielectric constant. The dielectric constant

of a material is the ratio of the capacitance of a capacitor filled with a given dielectric to that same capacitor having only a

vacuum as a dielectric.

Discharge: The act of draining off an electrical charge to ground. Devices that

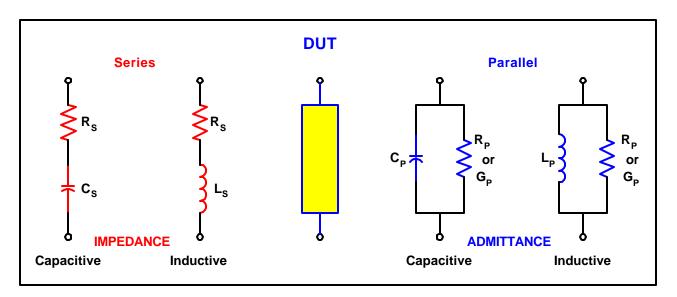
retain charge should be discharged after an IR test or DC hipot test.

DUT: Device Under Test. (i.e. the product being tested).

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Equivalent Circuit:

The configuration of the device under test. Is it a series or parallel equivalent circuit?



Frequency: The rate at which current or voltage reverses polarity and then

back again completing a full cycle, measured in Hertz (Hz) or

cycles/second. AC Line Frequency = 50/60 Hz.

Ground: The base reference from which voltages are measured, nominally

the same potential as the earth. Ground is also the side of a circuit

that is at the same potential as the base reference.

Impedance: The AC resistance of the DUT. Impedance (Z) is a vector

summation of resistance R and reactance X.

For capacitors reactance is defined as  $XC = 1/j\omega C$ For inductors reactance is defined as  $XL = i\omega L$ 

For resistors resistance is defined as R Impedance is defined as  $Z = \sqrt{(X2 + R2)}$ 

Inductor: Abbreviated L (as in LCR). An inductor is a coil of wire. It is used

to create electromagnetic induction in a circuit.

Inductance: The property of a coil to oppose any change in current through it.

If the turns (coils) of the wire are stretched out, the field intensity will be less and the inductance will be less. Unit of measure is the

Henry (H).

Inductive Reactance: A measure of how much the counter electro-magnetic force (emf)

of the coil will oppose current variation through the coil. The amount of reactance is directly proportional to the current

variation:  $X_L = 2\pi f L$ .

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**Interface:** 

Handler: Device for remote control of test instrument in component

handling operations.

IEEE-488: General Purpose Interface Bus (GPIB). GPIB is an industry

standard definition of a Parallel bus connection for the purpose of

communicating data between devices.

RS232: An industry standard definition for a Serial line communication

link or port.

Scanner: An electronic device designed to switch or matrix signals.

Level: The test signal level is the programmed RMS voltage of the

generator in an LCR meter. The actual test voltage across the DUT is always less than the programmed level. Refer to VM/IM

feature to view actual signal across DUT.

**Limits:** 

High Limit: The high limit is the upper value for a test to be considered a pass.

If the measured value is higher than the high limit the test is

considered a fail.

Low Limit: The low limit is the lower value for a test to be considered a pass.

If the measured value is lower than the low limit the test is

considered a fail.

Parameter: Electrical property being tested. The primary parameter (L, C, R)

is the first property characterized of the device under test. The secondary parameter  $(D, Q, \theta)$  is the second property characterized

of the device under test.

Permittivity: Abbreviated  $\varepsilon$ . The dielectric constant multiplied by the dielectric

constant of empty space  $(\epsilon_0)$ , where the permittivity of empty space  $(\epsilon_0)$  is a constant in Coulomb's Law, equal to a value of 1 in centimeter-gram-second units and to  $8.854 \times 10^{-12}$  farads/meter in

rationalized meter-kilogram-second units.

Range: The resistance ranges the instrument uses for reference in making

the measurement.

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Repeatability: The difference between successive measurements with no changes

in the test setup or test conditions.

Reproducibility: Similar to repeatability but adds the element of what could be

expected under real life conditions. Reproducibility would take into account the variability in thing like fixturing where the DUT

being tested is removed from the fixture and then inserted again.

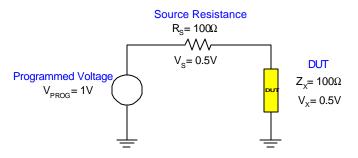
Resolution: The smallest value that can be shown on the display in a digital

instrument. LCR meters typically specify a measurement range that is the largest and smallest value that can be shown on the

display.

Source Impedance: A constant source resistance of the measuring instrument used to

level the voltage across the DUT to a constant voltage.



Speed: The rate at which the instrument makes a measurement in

measurements per second. Speed is inversely proportional to

accuracy.

**Trigger:** The device for initiating the test (applying the voltage or current).

External: The test is initiated via an external source such as a computer with

an IEEE-488 or Handler interface. One measurement is made each

time the external trigger is asserted on the handler.

Internal: The instrument continuously makes measurements.

Manual: The operator initiates the test by pressing the [START] button.

One measurement is made each time the trigger is pressed.

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# 2.2 Startup

Check to make sure the red Line Voltage Selector switch on the rear panel agrees with the power source available. Depending on the power source the switch position should be in the up or down position as shown in Figure 1-5 (Close-Up of 1730 Rear Panel).

#### **CAUTION**

USE ALL PRECAUTIONS NECESSARY TO **AVOID TOUCHING THE DEVICE UNDER TEST** WHEN THE **BIAS BACKLIGHT IS ON**.

Connect the instrument power cord to the source of proper voltage. The instrument is to be used only with three-wire grounded outlets.

Power is applied to the 1730 instrument by pressing the green power switch on the front panel to the ON (1 position). The 1730 unit should warm up for a period of at least 15 minutes prior to measurements being made.

### 2.3 SYSTEM SETUP/CONFIG

Prior to programming a test or measuring a device, set up the system controls of the 1730 instrument. To access the system controls, press [SYSTEM SETUP] then press [SYSTEM CONFIG]. Table 2-2 lists the contents of SYSTEM CONFIG.

**Table 2-2: SYSTEM CONFIG** 

Parameter	Function	Range	
VM/IM Display	Display output voltage and current	OFF/ON	
CONSTant Source	Set constant source impedance	$100/25\Omega$ , $100\Omega$ , $25\Omega$ , $10\Omega$ c.c.	
AVERAGE Time	Set measurement average	0 – 256	
CABLE Length	Set test cable length	0M, 1M, 2M or 4M	
BEEPER	Set beeper loudness	OFF, LOW or HIGH	
KEY LOCK	Lock out front panel programming	OFF/ON	
INTEG Cycle	Set analog averaging cycle (time)	01 - 08	
CONTRAST	Set display contrast	00 – 13 (dark to bright)	
SOUND Mode	Set when the buzzer to sounds	PASS/FAIL	
ALARM Mode	Set type of alarm signal	PULSE/CONTINUOUS	
HANDLER Mode	Set handler interface mode	CLEAR/HOLD	
GPIB EOS Code	Set End of String code	0Dh, 0Ah, 0Dh 0Ah	
GPIB ADDRESS Code	Set interface address	00 - 30	
TRIGGER Delay	Set external trigger time	0000 – 9999 ms	
TRIGGER Edge	Set trigger mode	FALLING/RISING	
LINK 1320	Link 1730 to 1320 bias source	OFF/ON	

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#### 2.3.1 VM/IM Display

The voltage across the DUT and the current through the DUT can be displayed along with the measured value when VM/IM is set to ON. VM/IM can be selected OFF/ON. The instrument default setting is OFF. To change the VM/IM Display press [SYSTEM SETUP], [SYSTEM CONFIG] and the down arrow  $\Downarrow$ ] until the box next to VM/IM DISPLAY is highlighted, then press [F1] = ON to display the current and voltage across the DUT, or [F2] = OFF.



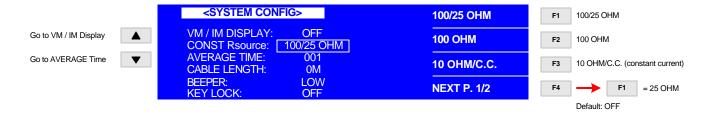
#### 2.3.2 CONST Resource

The constant source impedance of the 1730 instrument can be set to  $100/25\Omega$ ,  $100\Omega$ ,  $25\Omega$ , or  $10\Omega$ c.c. (constant current). The instrument default setting is  $100/25\Omega$ .

The  $100/25\Omega$  setting allows the instrument to automatically select its impedance based on the impedance of the DUT ( $Z_{DUT}$ ). If  $Z_{DUT}$  is  $<10\Omega$ , then the 1730 CONST Rsource =  $25\Omega$ . If  $Z_{DUT}$  is  $\ge 10\Omega$ , then the 1730 CONST Rsource =  $100\Omega$ .

The  $10\Omega c.c.$  setting puts a constant current equal to 100mA across the DUT when the test voltage is set to 1V. If  $Z_{DUT}$  is  $\geq 10\Omega$ , then the 1730 instrument CONST Rsource =  $10\Omega$ .

To change the source resistance press [SYSTEM SETUP], [SYSTEM CONFIG] and the down arrow  $\Downarrow$  until the box next to CONST Rsource is highlighted, then press [F1] =100/25 $\Omega$ , [F2] =100 $\Omega$ , [F3] = 10 $\Omega$ c.c. or [F4] = Next Page. On next page [F1] = 25 $\Omega$ .



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#### 2.3.3 AVERAGE Time

	<system config=""></system>	DIGIT UP	F1 Increase # of measurements to average
Go to CONST Rsource	VM / IM DISPLAY: OFF CONST Rsource: 100 OHM	DIGIT DOWN	F2 Decrease # of measurements to average
Go to CABLE Length	AVERAGE TIME: 001  CABLE LENGTH: 0M		Default: 001
	BEEPER: OFF KEY LOCK: OFF		

# 2.3.4 CABLE Length

Selected cable length should match length of test cables being used to minimize phase errors. The test cable length can be set as 0M, 1M, 2M or 4M. "M" denotes the length in meters. The instrument default setting is 0M. To change the cable length press [SYSTEM SETUP], [SYSTEM CONFIG] and the down arrow  $[\ \ \ \ \ ]$  until the box next to CABLE LENGTH is highlighted, then press [F1] = 0M, [F2] = 1M, [F3] = 2M or [F2] = 4M whichever corresponds to the test cable length. After changing the cable length, run the open/short correction to obtain more accurate measurements.



#### **2.3.5 BEEPER**

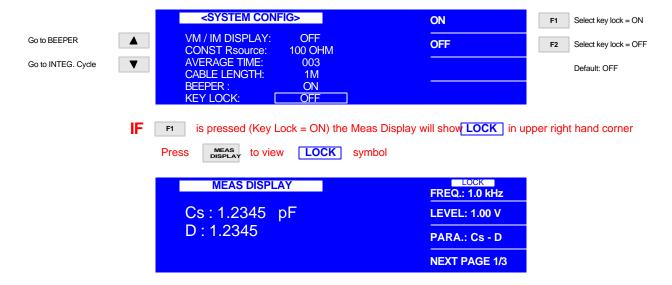
The loudness of the beeper or audible alarm can be set to OFF, LOW or HIGH. The instrument default setting is LOW. To change the beeper loudness press [SYSTEM SETUP], [SYSTEM CONFIG] and the down arrow  $[\ \ \ ]$  until the box next to BEEPER is highlighted, then press [F1] = OFF, [F2] = LOW or [F3] = HIGH.



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#### **2.3.6 KEY LOCK**

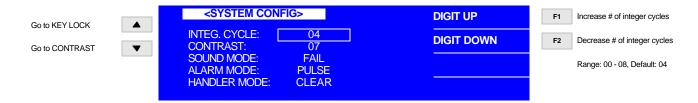
To lock out the front panel operations with the exception of the [TRIGGER] key, set the key lock function to ON. Press [SYSTEM SETUP], [SYSTEM CONFIG], [1] until OFF is highlighted next to KEY LOCK, then press [F1] = ON. The backlit LOCK block will appear on the measure display. To turn the key lock function OFF: press [F1], [F4] and then [SYSTEM SETUP]. Key lock can be set ON or OFF. The instrument default setting is OFF.



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#### 2.3.7 INTEGer CYCLE

This determines the number of cycles of a sine wave integrated together during a measurement. An integration cycle of 1 will result in the fastest possible measurement but the least accurate. The integer cycle can be set from 01 to 08. The instrument default setting is 04. To change the integer cycle press [SYSTEM SETUP], [SYSTEM CONFIG] and the down arrow  $[\mbox{$\downarrow$}]$  until the box next to INTEG CYCLE is highlighted, then press [F1] = DIGIT UP to increase then number or [F2] = DIGIT DOWN to decrease the number.



#### 2.3.8 CONTRAST

The display contrast can be set from 00 to 13. The instrument default setting is 07. The darkest contrast is 00 the brightest is 13. To change the display contrast press [SYSTEM SETUP], [SYSTEM CONFIG] and the down arrow  $[\mbox{$\mbox{$\mbox{$\mbox{$}$}}\mbox{}]$  until the box next to CONTRAST is highlighted, then press [F1] = DIGIT UP to brighten the contrast or [F2] = DIGIT DOWN to darken the contrast.



#### 2.3.9 SOUND Mode

The audible alarm can be set to sound on PASS or to sound on FAIL under high or low limit judgment in the measure display. The instrument default setting is FAIL. To change the sound mode press [SYSTEM SETUP], [SYSTEM CONFIG] and the down arrow  $[\mbox{$\psi$}]$  until the box next to SOUND MODE is highlighted, then press [F1] = PASS for the alarm to sound on a pass result or [F2] = FAIL for the alarm to sound on a fail result.



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#### **2.3.10 ALARM Mode**

The type of audible alarm can be set to PULSE or CONTINUOUS during judgment in the measure display. The instrument default setting is PULSE. To change the alarm mode press [SYSTEM SETUP], [SYSTEM CONFIG] and the down arrow  $[\ \ \ \ ]$  until the box next to ALARM MODE is highlighted, then press [F1] = PULSE for the alarm to sound in a pulse tone or [F2] = CONTINUOUS for the alarm to sound continuously.



#### 2.3.11 HANDLER Mode

The handler interface mode can be set to CLEAR or HOLD. The instrument default setting is CLEAR. When set to CLEAR, the handler interface will clear the last test result prior to each subsequent measurement. When set to HOLD, the handler interface will hold the last test result until the next measurement is made and displayed. To change the handler mode press [SYSTEM SETUP], [SYSTEM CONFIG] and the down arrow [↓] until the box next to HANDLER MODE is highlighted, then press [F1] = CLEAR or [F2] = HOLD.



## 2.3.12 GPIB EOS Code

The End of String code for the IEEE-488 interface is set as "0Dh", "0Ah" or "0Dh, 0Ah". The instrument default setting is "0Dh". To change the GPIB EOS code press [SYSTEM SETUP], [SYSTEM CONFIG] and the down arrow  $[\mbox{$\downarrow$}]$  until the box next to GPIB EOS code is highlighted, then press [F1] = 0Dh, [F2] = 0Ah or [F3] = 0Dh, 0Ah.



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#### 2.3.13 GPIB Address Code

The IEEE-488 interface address can be programmed from 00 to 30. The instrument default setting is 17. To change the GPIB ADDRESS press [SYSTEM SETUP], [SYSTEM CONFIG] and the down arrow 

| until the box next to GPIB ADDRESS is highlighted, then press [F1] = DIGIT UP to increase the address, or [F2] = DIGIT DOWN to decrease the address.



#### 2.3.14 TRIGGER Delay

The trigger delay is the amount of time between the activation of a trigger (via IEEE, Handler or front panel) and the 1730 making the measurement. The delay time can be programmed from 0000 to 9999 milliseconds. The instrument default value is 0000 milliseconds. To change the TRIGGER DELAY press [SYSTEM SETUP], [SYSTEM CONFIG] and the down arrow [ $\downarrow$ ] until the box next to TRIGGER DELAY is highlighted, then press [F1] = DIGIT UP to increase the delay time, [F2] = DIGIT DOWN to decrease the delay time or [F3] = DIGIT to move over a decimal place.



#### 2.3.15 TRIGGER Edge

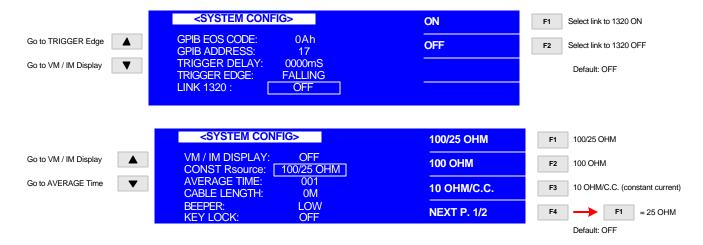
Select on which edge the measurement is triggered: FALLING or RISING. The instrument default setting is FALLING. To change the TRIGGER EDGE press [SYSTEM SETUP], [SYSTEM CONFIG] and the down arrow  $[\downarrow]$  until the box next to TRIGGER EDGE is highlighted, then press [F1] = FALLING or [F2] = RISING.



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#### 2.3.16 LINK 1320

It is possible to link the 1730 instrument to the QuadTech 1320 Bias Current Source. The 1320 instrument is capable of producing 20A DC bias current. The 1730 instrument default setting is OFF. To change the LINK 1320 press [SYSTEM SETUP], [SYSTEM CONFIG] and the down arrow  $[\downarrow]$  until the box next to LINK 1320 is highlighted, then press [F1] = ON or [F2] = OFF.



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#### 2.4 MEAS DISPLAY

The 1730 instrument's stand-by display is the MEAS DISPLAY. After power has been applied to the instrument and it cycles quickly through the information screen, the instrument reverts to the MEAS DISPLAY. To view the instrument information screen as illustrated in Figure 2.1, press [SYSTEM SETUP] then [←].

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Figure 2.1: Instrument Information Screen



Figure 2.2: MEAS DISPLAY

Figure 2.2 illustrates the three pages of parameters that can be programmed within the MEAS DISPLAY. The binning and comparison functions are enabled/disabled in MEAS DISPLAY and programmed in MAIN INDEX. The bias voltage function is enabled/disabled in MEAS DISPLAY and programmed in SYSTEM SETUP. Paragraphs 2.4.1 through 2.4.9 explain each parameter in detail.

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## 2.4.14 FREQuency

The 1730 instrument provides seven test frequencies in the 100Hz to 100kHz range including 100Hz, 120Hz, 1kHz, 10kHz, 20kHz, 50kHz and 100kHz. In MEAS DISPLAY press [F1] so that the 1.0 kHz box is highlighted. Use the up arrow [↑] key to increase the frequency value or use the down arrow [↓] key to decrease the frequency value. The instrument default setting is 1.0kHz.

MEAS DISPLAY	FREQ.: 1.0 kHz F1 Select test frequency parameter
Cs: 1.2345 pF	LEVEL: 1.00 V 10kHz, 20kHz, 50kHz, 100kHz
D: 1.2345	PARA.: Cs - D
	NEXT PAGE 1/3

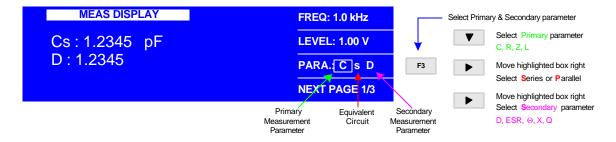
## 2.4.2 **LEVEL**

The test voltage can be programmed in 10mV increments from 0.01V to 1.00V. In MEAS DISPLAY press [F2] so that the  $\boxed{1.00}$  V box is highlighted. Use the up arrow  $\boxed{\mathbb{N}}$  key to increase the voltage value or use the down arrow  $\boxed{\mathbb{N}}$  key to decrease the voltage value in 10mV increments. The instrument default setting is 1.00V.

MEAS DISPLAY	FREQ.: 1.0 kHz	
Cs: 1.2345 pF	LEVEL 1.00 V	F2 Select test voltage parameter
D : 1.2345	PARA.: Cs - D	Increase V in 0.01V increments
	NEXT PAGE 1/3	Decrease V in 0.01V increments

## 2.4.3 PARAmeter

The 1730 instrument can measure 12 different LCR parameters and display two (primary and secondary) simultaneously. In MEAS DISPLAY press [F3] so that the  $\boxed{C}$  sD box is highlighted. Use the down arrow  $[\cup]$  key to change/select the primary parameter. Use the right arrow  $[\cup]$  key to move the highlighted box to  $\boxed{s}$  and use the  $[\cup]$  key to select the equivalent circuit equal to series or parallel. Use the right arrow  $[\cup]$  key to move the highlighted box to  $\boxed{D}$  and use the down arrow  $[\cup]$  key to select the secondary parameter. The instrument default setting is CsD.



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The programming of parameter may at first seem a little confusing but remember the highlighted box is what is selected then pressing the down arrow  $[\cup]$  key will toggle through the choices. Use the right arrow  $[\cup]$  key to move the highlighted box and select the next parameter then press the down arrow  $[\cup]$  key to toggle through the choices. Table 2-3 lists the primary and secondary parameters in common pair configuration that are measurable by the 1730 instrument.

**Table 2-3: 1730 Measurement Parameters** 

Primary			Secondary
Cs, Cp	Capacitance	D	Dissipation Factor
Rs, Rp	Resistance	Xs	Series Reactance
Zs	Impedance	θ	Phase Angle
Ls, Lp	Inductance	Q	Quality Factor
		ESR	Equivalent Series Resistance

## **2.4.4 RANGE**

The 1730 instrument's measurement range can be selected as AUTO or HOLD. The instrument measurement ranges are  $1M\Omega$ ,  $300k\Omega$ ,  $100k\Omega$ ,  $30k\Omega$ ,  $10k\Omega$ ,  $3k\Omega$ ,  $1k\Omega$ ,  $300\Omega$ ,  $100\Omega$ ,  $10\Omega$ ,  $1\Omega$ , and  $100m\Omega$  depending on the test frequency and selected constant source impedance. In MEAS DISPLAY (Pg 2/3) press [F1] so that the  $\boxed{A}$  box is highlighted\*. Use the up arrow  $\boxed{1}$  key to increase the range value or use the down arrow  $\boxed{1}$  key to decrease the range value. The instrument default setting is A (Auto Range).

MEAS DISPLAY	RANGE.: A 100 ▼ F1 Select measurement range	
Cs: 1.2345 pF	SPEED: SLOW  Toggle between A and H mode	
D : 1.2345	TRIG.: INT	
	Increase range value: 300 Ω, 1k   NEXT PAGE 2/3	
	Decrease range value: $100 \Omega$ , $10\Omega$ , $1\Omega$ , $100m \Omega$	

**Note:** When CONST Rsource is OFF,  $300k\Omega$ ,  $30k\Omega$ ,  $3k\Omega$  and  $300\Omega$  are disabled. When Test Frequency is set to 100Hz or 120Hz,  $0.1\Omega$  is disabled.

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<sup>\*</sup> Use the up arrow  $[\uparrow]$  key to toggle between A (Auto) and H (Hold). Use the right arrow  $[\Rightarrow]$  key to move the range value.

## 2.4.5 SPEED/Accuracy

Trading accuracy for speed, program the measurement speed of the 1730 instrument to Slow (3measurements/second), Medium (22 measurements/second) or Fast (66 measurements/second). The basic LCR accuracy (0.1%) and D accuracy (0.001) are specified for the slow measurement speed. In MEAS DISPLAY (Pg 2/3) press [F2] so that the MEDIUM box is highlighted. Use the up arrow [1] key to increase the speed or use the down arrow [1] key to decrease the speed. The instrument default setting is MEDIUM (22 meas/second).



The accuracy of the 1730 instrument depends on the speed of the measurement. Basic Accuracy for LCR is  $\pm 0.1\%$  and basic accuracy for DQ is  $\pm 0.001$ . Basic accuracy is specified for the speed equal to 3 measurements/second, temperature =  $23^{\circ}$ C  $\pm 5^{\circ}$ C, relative humidity (RH)  $\leq 90\%$ .

Table 2-4 lists the basic accuracy for |Z| -  $\theta$ . For measurements made in fast mode double the accuracy listed in Table 2-4.

Impedance		Frequency (Hz)					
<b>½Z½ (₩</b> )	100	120	1k	10k	20k	50k	100k
10M	0.48%	0.4%	0.35%				
1M	0.5°	0.45°	0.4°				
1M	0.24%	0.20%	0.16%	0.5%	1.5%	2%	2%
100k	0.33°	0.3°	$0.08^{\circ}$	0.12°	0.12°	0.24°	0.4°
100k	0.2%	0.2%	0.12%	0.5%	1.5%	1.8%	2%
10k	0.24°	0.24°	$0.06^{\circ}$	0.08°	0.09°	0.24°	0.3°
10k	0.2%	0.2%	0.1%	0.45%	0.5%	0.6%	0.7%
1k	0.2°	0.2°	0.05°	0.07°	$0.08^{\circ}$	$0.08^{\circ}$	0.2°
1k	0.2%	0.2%	0.1%	0.2%	0.36%	0.4%	0.45%
100	0.2°	0.2°	0.05°	0.07°	$0.08^{\circ}$	$0.08^{\circ}$	0.2°
100	0.25%	0.25%	0.24%	0.26%	0.36%	0.4%	0.5%
10	0.2°	0.2°	0.09°	0.09°	0.15°	0.17°	0.2°
10	0.45%	0.4%	0.32%	0.35%	0.4%	0.5%	0.6%
1	0.22°	0.22°	0.09°	0.15°	0.15°	0.17°	0.2°
1	0.7%	0.5%	0.35%	0.35%	0.4%	0.7%	0.9%
0.1	0.24°	0.24°	0.15°	0.15°	0.2°	0.26°	0.6°

Table 2-4: 1/2Z1/2 - **q** Accuracy

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If the impedance (|Z|) is in the range  $0.1\Omega$  to  $0.01\Omega$ , then the following accuracy formula applies.

## Z < 0.1W:

IZI Accuracy = Ze (%) = A + B x 
$$\left[ \frac{100m\Omega}{|Z|} \right]$$
 +  $\left[ \frac{C}{|Z|} \right]$ 

$$\theta$$
 Accuracy =  $\theta e$  =  $\frac{180^{\circ}}{\pi}$  x  $\left[ Ze \right]$ 

Values for parameters A, B and C are listed in Table 2-4a

Table 2-4a: 1/2 - **q** Accuracy for **Z**: 0.1**W** - 0.01**W** 

Fre	quency	100Hz	120Hz	1kHz	10kHz	20kHz	50kHz	100kHz
Parameter								
A		0.6	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.6	0.8
В		0.12	0.12	0.08	0.08	0.09	0.01	0.12
C	0M	$0.001\Omega$	$0.0012\Omega$	$0.002\Omega$	$0.02\Omega$	$0.04\Omega$	$0.1\Omega$	$0.2\Omega$
	1 <b>M</b>	$\Omega 800.0$	$0.009\Omega$	$0.012\Omega$	$0.07\Omega$	$0.14\Omega$	$0.35\Omega$	$0.7\Omega$
(Cable length)	2M	$0.015\Omega$	$0.017\Omega$	$0.022\Omega$	$0.12\Omega$	$0.24\Omega$	$0.6\Omega$	-

Multiply the |Z| and  $\theta$  accuracy by the parameter D when the test signal level is not set to 1V. The values for D are listed in Table 2-4b. The test signal voltage is abbreviated  $V_{SIGNAL}$  and Vs in Table 2-4b.

Table 2-4b: D Value when  $V_{SIGNAL}$  is < 1V

Level	1V > Vs £ $0.5V$	0.5V > Vs <b>£</b> $0.25V$	0.25V > Vs £ 0.01V
Parameter			
D	1	2	<u>0.5V</u>
			Vs

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## **More 1730 Accuracy Formulas**

# L, C & R Accuracy

For 
$$Q \ge 10$$
 and  $(D \le 1)$ ,  $|Z| =$  
$$|Z_L| = |2\pi fL|$$
 
$$|Z_C| = |1/(2\pi fC)|$$
 For  $Q < 10$  and  $(D > 0.1)$ , 
$$Multiply L accuracy by (1 + 1/Q)$$
 
$$Multiply C accuracy by (1 + D)$$

## D & Q Accuracy

For all D values:

DF Accuracy = 
$$\frac{\text{Accuracy (\%)}}{100} + \frac{\text{DF}}{50} \left[ 1 + \sqrt{\frac{\text{FREQ}}{50000}} \right]$$

For all values of Q:

$$Q Accuracy = \frac{Accuracy (\%)}{100} + \left[ |Q| \left( 0.02 + \frac{Accuracy (\%)}{100} \right) \right] + \left[ Q^2 \left( \frac{Accuracy (\%)}{200} \right) \right]$$

## R (ESR, EPR) Accuracy

For 
$$Q \le 0.1$$
:  
Accuracy of  $R = Accuracy$  of  $|Z|$   
For  $Q \ge 0.1$ :  
Multiply accuracy  $R$  by  $(1 + Q)$ 

Figure 2-3 illustrates the frequency conversion charts for LC to Z, C to Z and L to Z.

## **Voltage Accuracy**

For voltages less than 1V an additional error applies. Multiply the accuracy (LCRDQ) by: [0.8 + (0.2/Vsource)].

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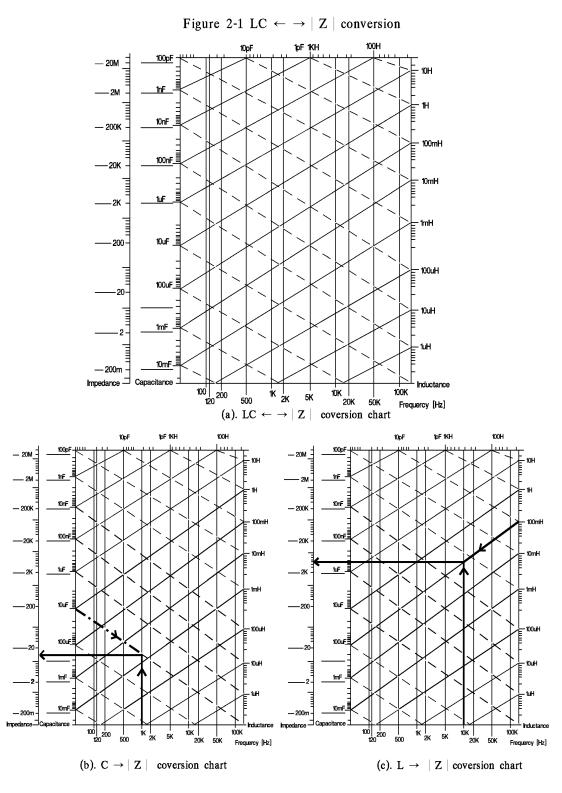
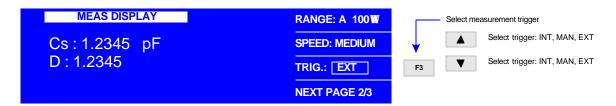


Figure 2-3: 1730 Accuracy Formula Conversion Charts

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# 2.4.6 TRIGger

The 1730 instrument can be triggered manually, internally or externally. In MEAS DISPLAY (Pg 2/3) press [F3] so that the INT box is highlighted. Use the up arrow [1] key to change the trigger or use the down arrow [1] key to change the trigger. The instrument default setting is INT (internal trigger). When MANUAL trigger is selected, one measurement will be made each time the trigger is pressed. When EXTERNAL trigger is selected, one measurement will be made each time the external trigger is asserted by the handler. When INTERNAL trigger is selected, measurements are performed continuously when in [MEAS DISPLAY].



# 2.4.7 BIAS Voltage

The 1730 instrument is capable of generating 0.5V external DC bias voltage to the device under test. When the Bias Voltage is ON, voltage can be supplied from an internal voltage supply using the  $R_{BIAS}$  resistor, or from an external supply when the external bias connector is used. To enable/disable the bias voltage function, in MEAS DISPLAY (Pg 2/3) press [F1] so that the  $\overline{OFF}$  box is highlighted. Use the up arrow [ $\uparrow$ ] or down arrow  $\downarrow$ ] keys or [F1] to switch the bias voltage function ON/OFF. The instrument default setting is OFF. Setting the bias voltage level is done externally.

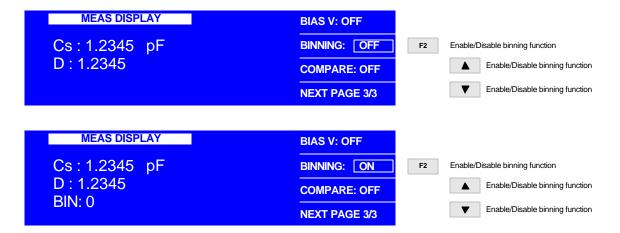


Refer to paragraph 3.3 for a description of the bias voltage feature.

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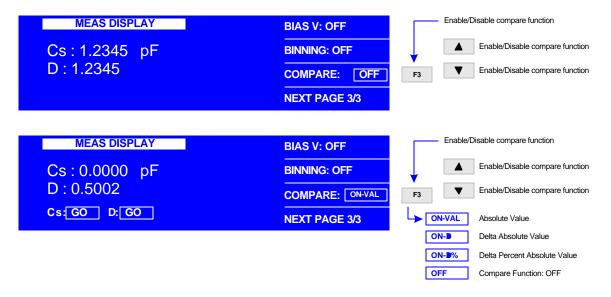
## **2.4.8 BINNING**

The 1730 instrument has 8 pass/fail bins for sorting components by test result. To enable/disable the binning function, in MEAS DISPLAY (Pg 3/3) press [F2] so that the OFF box is highlighted. Use the up arrow [1] key or down arrow [1] key to switch the binning function ON/OFF. The instrument default setting is OFF. Setting the bin values is done within the MAIN INDEX menu. Refer to paragraph 2.5.1 for instructions on setup of Binning.



## **2.4.9 COMPARE**

The 1730 instrument has 8 pass/fail bins for sorting components by test result. To enable/disable the compare function, in MEAS DISPLAY (Pg 3/3) press [F3] so that the OFF box is highlighted. Use the up arrow [1] key or down arrow [1] key to switch the compare function ON/OFF\*. The instrument default setting is OFF. Setting the comparison values is done within the MAIN INDEX menu. Refer to paragraph 2.5.4 for instructions on setup of Compare.



<sup>\*</sup> Refer to "Notes on Compare Settings" on next page.

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# **Notes on Compare Settings:**

Setting COMPARE = ON-VAL will display the primary and secondary readings in addition to a GO (PASS). A LO reading is lower than the set nominal value and a HI reading is higher than the set nominal value.

Setting COMPARE =  $\overline{ON-\Delta}$  will display the difference between the measured value and the set nominal value. A  $\overline{GO}$ ,  $\overline{LO}$ , or  $\overline{HI}$  judgment is also displayed.

Setting COMPARE =  $\boxed{ON-\Delta\%}$  will display the percent difference between the measured value and the set nominal value. A  $\boxed{GO}$ ,  $\boxed{LO}$ , or  $\boxed{HI}$  judgment is also displayed.

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## 2.5 MAIN INDEX

Within the 1730 instrument's MAIN INDEX are the Binning, Compare and Correction functions. To access these functions press [MAIN INDEX] and the display should look as shown in Figure 2-4.



Figure 2-4: MAIN INDEX

#### **2.5.1 BINNING**

To set the bin functions for the 1730 instrument, press [MAIN INDEX] then [F1] = BINNING.



- Press [F1] = BIN SET and to enter the BIN SET Display and set the nominal, high and low values for the primary parameter.
- To select the nominal, high or low value, move the backlit box UP using the up arrow  $[\uparrow]$  or to move it down using the down arrow  $[\downarrow]$ .
- Press [F1] = DIGIT UP to increase the value of the underscored digit.
- Press [F2] = DIGIT DOWN to decrease the value of the underscored digit.
- Press [F3] = DIGIT to move the underscored digit right. The left [←] and right [⇒] arrow keys also move the underscored digit left or right on a single line.
- The units of the values can be selected using the DIGIT UP and DIGIT DOWN when the underscore cursor is in the right most position.

When the nominal, auxiliary high and auxiliary low values are set, use the down [ $\downarrow$ ] arrow key to move the backlit box AUX\_LO:  $\boxed{-00000.0000}$  down to view bins 1-8 high and low percent settings.

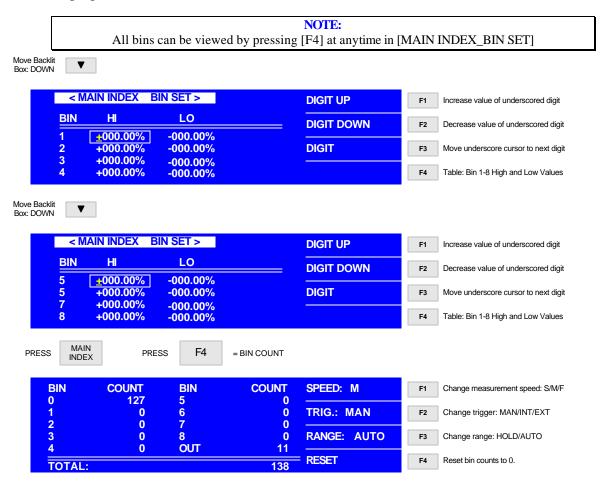
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## **BIN Set and BIN Count**

After setting the AUX\_LO:  $\boxed{-00000.0000}$  value, press the down  $[\mbox{$\downarrow$}]$  arrow key to view bins 1-4. Press the down  $[\mbox{$\downarrow$}]$  arrow key again to view bins 5-8.

Press the [MAIN INDEX] key to return to the MAIN INDEX BINNING screen.

Press the [F4] = BIN COUNT to view the bin count for bins 1-8 and the OUT bin.



## In the BIN COUNT screen:

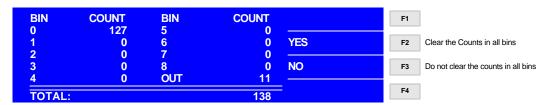
Press [F1] = SPEED to change the measurement speed equal to Fast, Medium or Slow.

Press [F2] = TRIG to change the measurement trigger equal to MANual, INTernal or EXTernal.

Press [F3] = RANGE to change the measurement range equal to Hold or Auto.

Press [F4] = RESET to clear the contents of the bins.

Press [MAIN INDEX] when finished.



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Two of the most common methods of sorting results into bins are using nested limits or sequential limits.

## **Nested Limits**

Nested limits are a natural choice for sorting components by % tolerance around a single nominal value with the lower bins narrower than the higher numbered bins. Nested limits for three bins are illustrated in Figure 2-5. Note that the limits do not have to by symmetrical (Bin 3 is -7% and +10%).

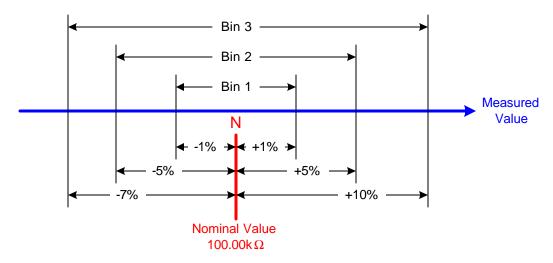


Figure 2-5: Nested Limits

# **Sequential Limits**

Sequential limits are a natural choice when sorting components by absolute value. Figure 2-6 illustrates the use of sequential limits for a total of three bins. Sequential bins do not have to be adjacent. Their limits can overlap or have gaps depending upon the specified limit. Any component that falls into an overlap between bins would be assigned to the lower numbered bin and any component that falls into a gap between bins would be assigned to the overall fail bin.

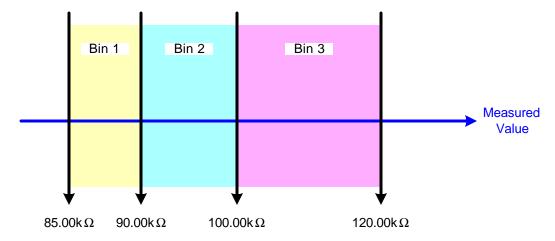
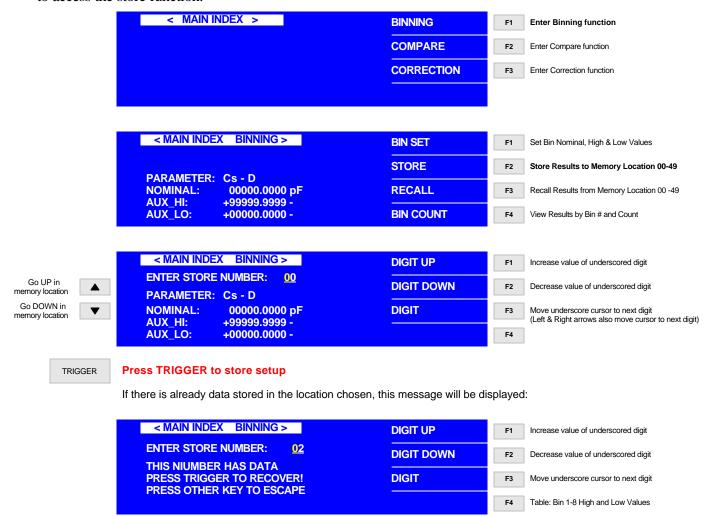


Figure 2-6: Sequential Limits

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## **2.5.2 STORE**

The 1730 instrument's STORE and RECALL functions are within the MAIN INDEX menu. Press [MAIN INDEX], press [F1] = BINNING (or [F2] = COMPARE) then press [F2] = STORE to access the store function.



When performing the STORE and RECALL functions, the 1730 instrument stores the following information:

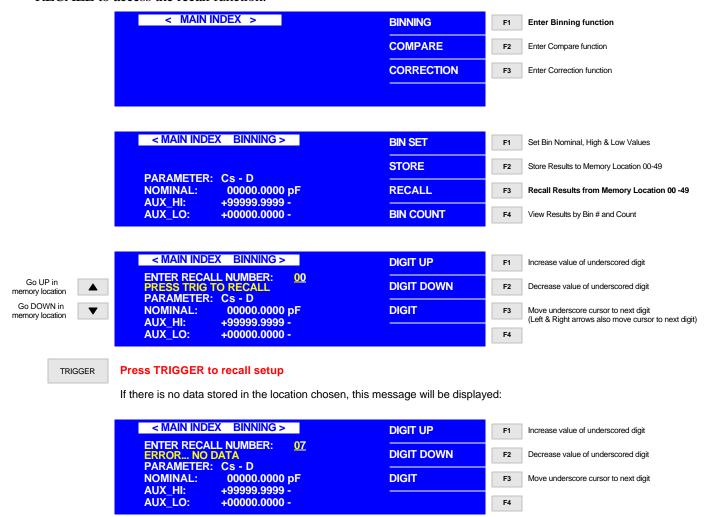
- Frequency
- Speed
- Level
- Parameter
- Range
- All Bin setting values (excluding the Bin Counter)
- All Compare setting values (excluding the Compare Counter)

There are 50 storage locations (00 - 49) in the 1730 instrument memory.

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## **2.5.3 RECALL**

The 1730 instrument's STORE and RECALL functions are within the MAIN INDEX menu. Press [MAIN INDEX], press [F1] = BINNING (or [F2] = COMPARE) then press [F3] = RECALL to access the recall function.



When performing the STORE and RECALL functions, the 1730 instrument stores the following information:

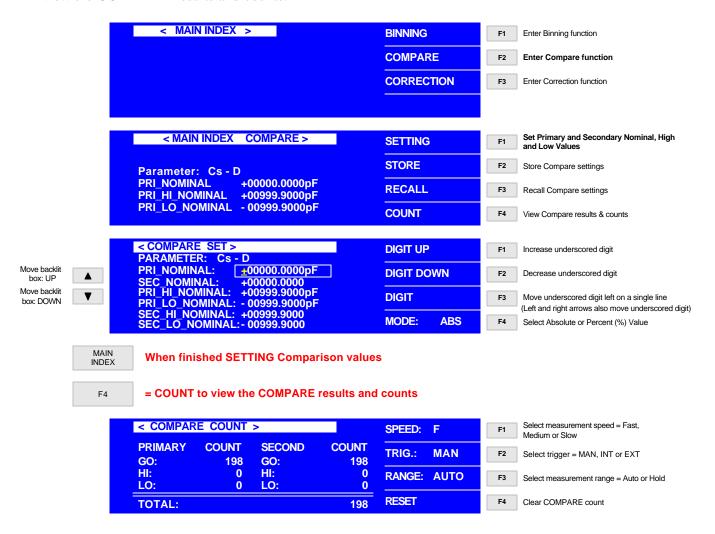
- Frequency
- Speed
- Level
- Parameter
- Range
- All Bin setting values (excluding the Bin Counter)
- All Compare setting values (excluding the Compare Counter)

There are 50 storage locations (00 - 49) in the 1730 instrument memory.

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## **2.5.4 COMPARE**

To set up a comparison test, use the COMPARE function. To access the COMPARE function, press [MAIN INDEX] then press [F2] = COMPARE. Press [F1] = SETTING to set the primary nominal high and low judgment values. Press [F2] = STORE to store the current COMPARE setup or press [F3] = RECALL to recall a stored COMPARE setup. Press [F4] = COUNT to view the COMPARE results and counts.



## **Notes on Compare Settings:**

Setting COMPARE = ON-VAL will display the primary and secondary readings in addition to a GO (PASS). A LO reading is lower than the set nominal value and a HI reading is higher than the set nominal value.

Setting COMPARE =  $\boxed{\text{ON-}\Delta}$  will display the difference between the measured value and the set nominal value. A  $\boxed{\text{GO}}$ ,  $\boxed{\text{LO}}$ , or  $\boxed{\text{HI}}$  judgment is also displayed.

Setting COMPARE =  $\boxed{ON-\Delta\%}$  will display the percent difference between the measured value and the set nominal value. A  $\boxed{GO}$ ,  $\boxed{LO}$ , or  $\boxed{HI}$  judgment is also displayed.

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## 2.5.5 CORRECTION

The 1730 instrument provides automatic offset for lead and/or fixture effects. During the offset process a correction is made (subtracted out) as the result of lead leakage current and stored in instrument memory to be applied to ongoing measurements. For maximum measurement accuracy it is recommended that the CORRECTION function be performed on the 1730 instrument after power up, any time the test parameters are changed and any time the test leads or fixture is changed.

Prior to performing the CORRECTION function:

- Allow the instrument to warm up for 15 minutes.
- Connect the Test cables (or fixture) to the output connectors (BNC terminals).
- Program the test steps.

With the instrument in STAND-BY status (MEAS DISPLAY shown on display):

- Press [MAIN INDEX]
- Press [F3] = CORRECTION
- Press [F2] = OPEN (or [F3] = SHORT) to select zero function.
- Press [F1] = SINGLE or [F2] = MULTI to select frequency.
- Follow instructions on display: i.e.: "Open circuit test leads".
- Press [TRIGGER] button.
- Wait while instrument gets CORRECTION value.
- Press [ANY KEY] to return to MEAS DISPLAY status.

## NOTE:

When SINGLE is selected, the 1730 instrument performs an open/short at the programmed test frequency. When MULTI is selected, the 1730 instrument performs the open/short at all 7 test frequencies.

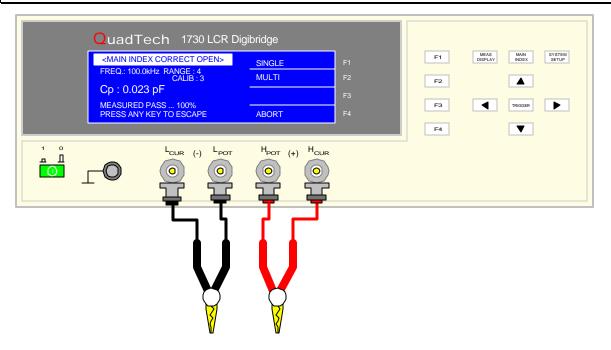


Figure 2-7: OPEN Configuration using Kelvin Clip Test Leads

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# **CORRECTION: OPEN**

Figure 2-7 illustrates the connection of the Kelvin Clip test leads for an open correction. The MAIN INDEX display menus corresponding to the OPEN operation are illustrated below.

	< MAIN INDEX >	BINNING	F1	Enter Binning function
		COMPARE	F2	Enter Compare function
		CORRECTION	F3	Enter Correction function
	MAIN INDEX. CORRECT			
	< MAIN INDEX CORRECT >		F1	
		OPEN	F2	Perform OPEN correction
		SHORT	F3	Perform SHORT correction
			F4	
	< MAIN INDEX CORRECT OPEN >	CINCLE		Olanta Francisco
	CIMAIN INDEX CONNECT OF EN	SINGLE	F1	Single Frequency test
		MULTI	F2	Multiple Frequency test
			F3	
		ABORT	F4	Exit Correction Function
	< MAIN INDEX CORRECT OPEN >	SINGLE	F1	1
				]
	OPEN CIRCUIT TEST LEADS THEN PRESS TRIGGER.	MULTI	F2	
		<u> </u>	F3	
		ABORT	F4	
TRIGGER	Initiate OPEN correction			
	initiate of Etrophosion			
	< MAIN INDEX CORRECT OPEN >	SINGLE	F1	
	FREQ: 100.0 kHz RANGE: 4 CALIB: 3	MULTI	F2	
	Cp: 0.023pF		F3	
	MEASURED PASS 100% PRESS ANY KEY TO ESCAPE	ABORT	F4	
MAIN INDEX	Return to MAIN INDEX display			

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## **CORRECTION: SHORT**

Figure 2-8 illustrates the connection of the Kelvin Clip test leads for a short correction. The MAIN INDEX display menus corresponding to the SHORT operation are illustrated below.

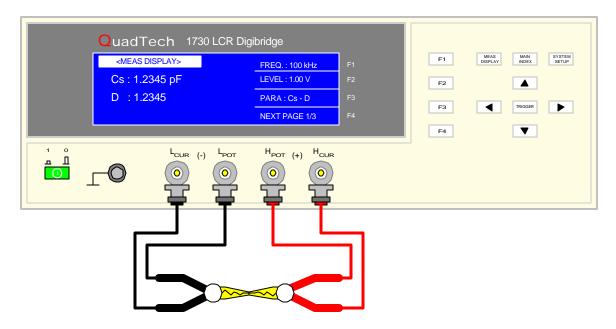


Figure 2-8: SHORT Configuration using Kelvin Clip Test Leads

To access the SHORT correction operation, press [MAIN INDEX] then [F3] = CORRECTION.



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## **CORRECTION: SHORT - continued**

Press [F3] = SHORT to select the SHORT configuration. Short test leads together then press [TRIGGER] to initiate short correction measurement.

<	MAIN INDEX CORRECT SHORT >	SINGLE	F1	Single Frequency test
		MULTI	F2	Multiple Frequency test
			F3	
		ABORT	F4	Exit Correction Function
<	MAIN INDEX CORRECT SHORT >	SINGLE	F1	
Sł	HORT CIRCUIT TEST LEADS	MULTI	F2	
	THEN PRESS TRIGGER.		F3	
		ABORT	F4	
TRIGGER	nitiate SHORT correction			
<	MAIN INDEX CORRECT SHORT >	SINGLE	F1	
	REQ: 100.0 kHz RANGE: 10 CALIB: 1	MULTI	F2	
R	s : 1.05 kW		F3	
	EASURED FAIL 0% RESS ANY KEY TO ESCAPE	ABORT	F4	
MAIN INDEX	Return to MAIN INDEX display			

## **NOTE**

Perform the CORRECTION functions any time the test leads or test fixtures are changed or any time the test parameters (especially constant source impedance, CONST Rsource) are changed.

# NOTE:

When SINGLE is selected, the 1730 instrument performs an open/short at the programmed test frequency. When MULTI is selected, the 1730 instrument performs the open/short at all 7 test frequencies.

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## 2.6 Connection to Device under Test

Figure 2-9 illustrates the connection of the 1730 LCR to a single DUT using the 1700-03 Kelvin Clip Cable lead set. The red Kelvin clip/BNCs are connected between the  $H_{OT}$  and  $H_{CUR}$  (+) terminals on the 1730 unit and the high side of the device under test. The black Kelvin clip/BNCs are connected between the  $L_{POT}$  and  $L_{CUR}$  (-) terminals on the 1730 unit to the low side of the DUT.

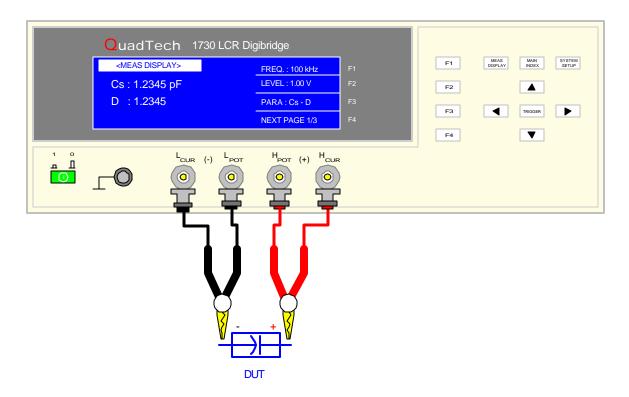


Figure 2-9: 1700-03 Kelvin Clip Test Leads

There are a variety of test leads and fixtures available for the 1730 LCR Meter as listed in Table 2-5 and illustrated in Figure 2-9 through 2-14.

Table 2-5: 1730 LCR Meter Test Leads & Fixtures

Description	QuadTech P/N	Figure
Axial/Radial Component Test Fixture	1700-01	2-10
Axial/Radial Remote Test Fixture	1700-02	2-11
Lead Set: 4 BNC Connectors to 2 Kelvin Clips	1700-03	2-9
Lead Set: 4 BNC Connectors to Chip Component Tweezers	7000-05	2-12
BNC to BNC Cable Lead Set (1m)	7000-01	2-13
BNC to BNC Cable Lead Set (2m)	7000-02	2-13
Low Voltage Chip Component Test Fixture	7000-07	2-14

## NOTE:

For proper operation, the  $H_{CUR}/H_{POT}/I_{CUR}/I_{POT}$  cable shields must be connected together at the DUT. This connection is already made using the 1730 recommended accessory leads. If the shields are not tied together, then at higher frequencies a resonance may occur which could cause erroneous capacitance readings.

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# **Connection to Device under Test – continued**

Figure 2-10 illustrates the connection of the 1700-01 axial/radial component test fixture to the 1730 LCR meter.

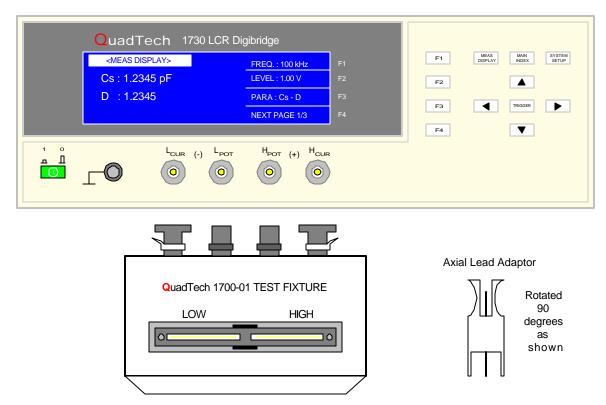


Figure 2-10: 1700-01 Axial/Radial Component Test Fixture

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Figure 2-11 illustrates the connection of the 1700-02 axial/radial remote test fixture to the 1730 LCR meter.

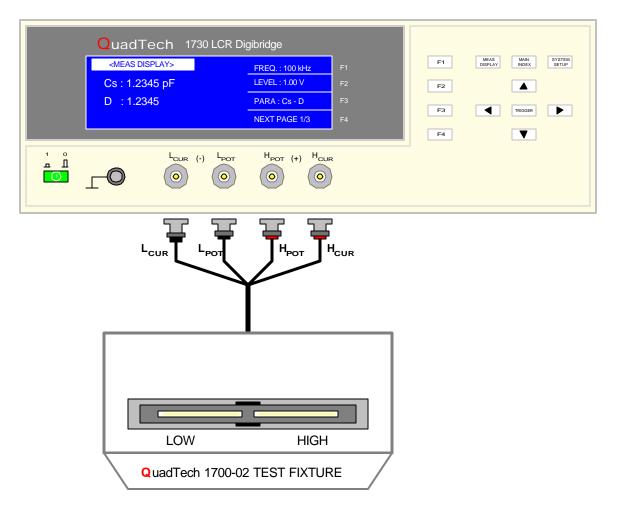


Figure 2-11: 1700-02 Axial/Radial Remote Test Fixture

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Figure 2-12 illustrates the connection of the 7000-05 Component Tweezers cable lead set to the 1730 LCR meter. This provides a 4-terminal connection to even the smallest of devices.

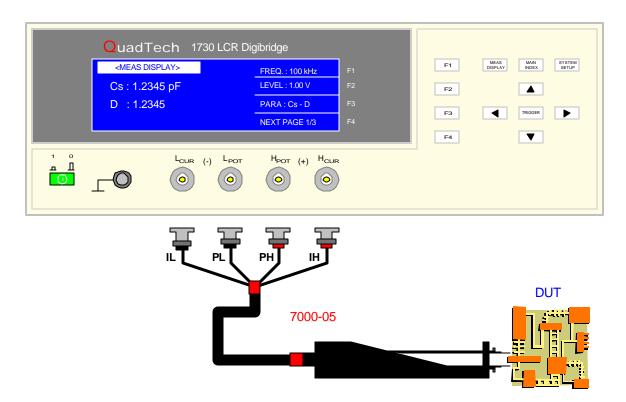


Figure 2-12: 1700-05 BNC to Chip Component Tweezers Cable Lead Set

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Figure 2-13 illustrates the two 7000 Series BNC to BNC test cable lead sets available for the 1730 LCR Meter. The 7000-01 is one meter in length and the 7000-02 is two meters in length. The 1730 instrument permits the input of the test cable length for better measurement accuracy. Refer to paragraph 2.3.9, Cable Length for programming instruction. As always, each time the test cable is changed the 1730 instrument should be re-zeroed.

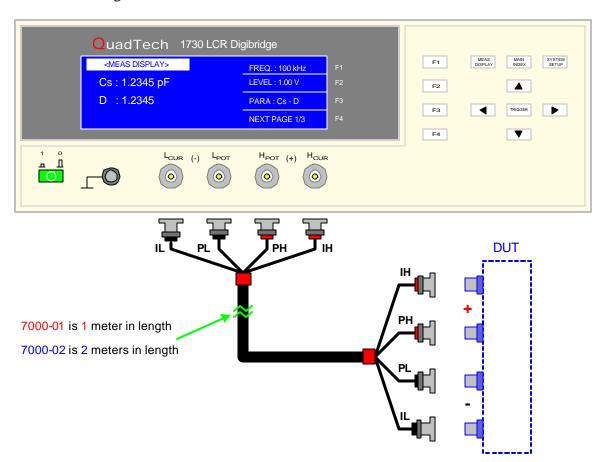


Figure 2-13: 7000-01 & -02 Cables for the 1730 LCR Meter



Figure 2-14: 7000-07 Low Voltage Chip Component Test Fixture

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## 2.7 Measurement Procedure

Before a measurement is made verify the following:

- 1. 1730 instrument [POWER] ON.
- 2. 15-minute warm-up.
- 3. Test parameters programmed and shown on MEAS DISPLAY.
- 4. Test cables or fixture connected.
- 5. CORRECTION function initiated.
- 6. Device under test connected.

The operator has the option of performing a test at power-up conditions (test conditions at which the instrument was last powered down) or recalling one of 50 stored test setups. Refer to paragraphs 2.4 - 2.5 for test programming and storage/recall instructions.

## To initiate a test:

- Press [TRIGGER].
- The test voltage is shut **off** when all test steps are completed,
- **OR** when a test result is judged a FAIL per programmed test limits.
- The test result is displayed on MEAS DISPLAY

The 1730 instrument judges the measurement value based on the BINNING and COMPARE functions set up previously. Refer to paragraphs 2.5.1 and 2.5.4 for instructions on setting these judgment parameters. Upon completion of the test the output voltage is terminated and the display shows the test result.

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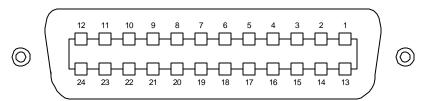
# **Section 3: Interface**

## 3.1 IEEE-488 Interface

## **3.1.1** Pin Configuration

The 1730 instrument comes standard with an IEEE-488 interface as illustrated in Figure 3-1. Connection is through the blue 24-pin connector labeled 'IEEE-488 INTERFACE' on the rear panel of the 1730 instrument. This interface can be used to connect a system containing a number of instruments and a controller in which each meets IEEE Standard 488.2 (Standard Digital Interface for Programmable Instrumentation).

1730 IEEE-488 Interface PIN Configuration: Rear Panel View



1730 IEEE-488 Interface PIN Designation

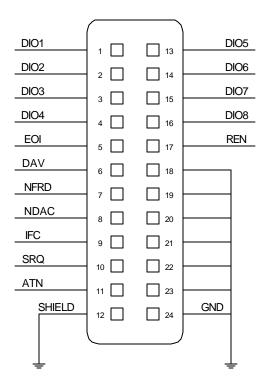


Figure 3-1: IEEE-488 Interface Pin Configuration

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Table 3-1 lists the IEEE-488 Interface pin designations by pin number, signal name and pin function. Bus and driver information is also listed.

**Table 3-1: IEEE-488 Interface Pin Designations** 

Bus	Driver	Signal Name	Pin Number	Function
	3 States	DAV	6	Low State: "Data is Available" and valid on DI01
Handshake				through DI08
ıds	Open	NRFD	7	Low State: At least one Listener on the bus is "Not
hak	Collector			Ready For Data"
Fe .	Open	NDAC	8	Low State: At least one Listener on the bus is "Not
	Collector			Accepting Data"
C	3 States	ATN	11	"Attention" specifies 1 of 2 uses for the DI01 through
Control				DI08 lines:
				Low State: Controller command messages
				High State: Data bytes from the Talker device
	3 States	IFC	9	"Interface Clear"
				Low State: Returns portion of interface system to a
				known quiescent state
	Open	SRQ	10	"Service Request"
	Collector			Low State: A Talker or Listener signals (to the
				controller) need for attention in the midst of the
	3 States	DEM	17	current sequence of events.
	3 States	REN	17	"Remote Enable"
				Low State: Enables each device to enter remote mode when addressed to listen.
				High State: All devices revert to Local control.
	3 States	EOI	5	"End of Identify"
	3 States	LOI		If ATN is in HIGH state, then EOI LOW state
				indicates the end of a multiple-byte data transfer
				sequence.
				If ATN is in LOW state, then EOI LOW state
				indicates a parallel poll.
	Open	DI01	1	The 8-Line Data Bus.
Data	Collector	DI02	2	
E		DI03	3	If ATN is in LOW state, then the bus conveys
		DI04	4	interface messages.
		DI05	13	If ATN is in HIGH state, then the bus conveys device-
		DI06	14	dependent messages. (Example: carries remote
		DI07	15	control commands from the controller or from a talker
		DI08	16	device)

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# 3.1.2 IEEE-488 Interface Function Codes and Messages

The IEEE-488 (GPIB) address is defined under the SYSTEM SETUP in the SYSTEM CONFIG menu. Press [SYSTEM SETUP], then the numerical key [F3] to enter the SYSTEM CONFIG menu. Press down arrow  $[\downarrow]$  to enter the GPIB ADDRESS code. To select a new IEEE-488 address, use the function keys. Refer to paragraph 2.3.2 for more information. The default setting for the IEEE address is 17.

Table 3-2 defines the IEEE-488 interface codes and their function. Table 3-3 defines the IEEE-488 interface messages the 1730 instrument responds to and their function.

**Table 3-2: IEEE-488 Interface Functions** 

Code	Function		
SH1	Source Handshake (Talker)		
AH1	Acceptor Handshake (Listener)		
T6	Basic Talker Function		
	Serial Poll Function		
	Listener-specified Talker Release Function		
	No TALK-ONLY Function		
L4	Basic Listener Function		
	Talker-specified Listener Release Function		
SR1	Service Request Function		
RL1	All Remote/Local Functions		
PP0	No Parallel Poll Function		
DC1	Device Clear Function		
DT1	Device Trigger Function		
C0	No Controller Functions		

Table 3-3: IEEE-488 Interface Messages

Interface Message	Function	Description
GTL	Go To Local	Only addressed devices that receive this command are set to local mode.  Cancels the remote control mode, making the front panel switches operative.

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Table 3-4 lists the IEEE-488 interface commands the 1730 instrument accepts to set or query a parameter value. Paragraphs 3.1.3 through 3.1.5 detail command function, format, return value and description.

**Table 3-4: IEEE-488 Commands** 

Command	Name	Function	Output Format
*CLS	Clear Status	Clear standard event status	
		register. Clear status bit group	
		register except for bit 4 (MAV)	
*ESE	Event Status Enable	Enable standard event status	0 - 255
		register value.	
*ESE?	Event Status Enable	Query standard event status of	0 - 255
		device enable register	
*ESR?	Event Status Register	Query standard event register	0 - 255
		value of device. After this	
		command, the standard register is	
		cleared to 0.	
*IDN?	Identification	Query/Read basic device data.	4 ID:
		(A comma separates the	Manufacturer,
		identification fields.)	Device Model,
			Serial Number,
			Firmware Version
*OPC	Operation Complete	Operation is complete.	0
*OPC?	Operation Complete	Query operation complete.	1
*RST	Reset	Reset Device.	
*SRE	Service Request Enable	Enable service request register	0 - 255
	_	value.	
*SRE?	Service Request Enable	Query/Read service request	0 - 255
	-	register value.	
*TRG	Trigger Bus	Trigger the 1730 instrument	
*TST?	Self Test	Perform self test & report error	0 = no error
*SAV	Save	Save current status to memory.	1 – 50
*RCL	Recall	Recall saved status from memory.	1 – 50

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## **3.1.3 IEEE-488** Commands

Figure 3-2 illustrates the programming commands accepted by the IEEE-488 interface of the 1730 instrument. The commands are written in tabular format as a single reference to view all the commands. The command format and examples are detailed in paragraphs 3.1.4 - 3.1.5.

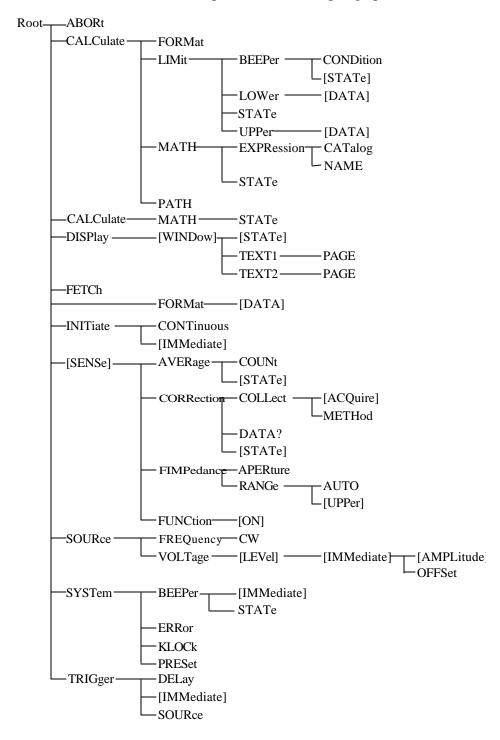


Figure 3-2: IEEE-488 Commands

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## 3.1.4 IEEE-488 Command Format

The IEEE-488 commands are configured in Root format. There are six levels of the instruction from top to bottom. Follow the specific path (as illustrated in Figure 3.2) to configure a specific command. The colon at the beginning of each line denotes that all line signals are root. Use a colon (:) to separate levels. Use the semicolon (;) to separate two commands on the same line.

For example, to format the command for the NAME function, use this path:

```
:CALCulate:MATH:EXPRession:NAME
```

To format the NAME and CATalog function, use two single commands:

```
:CALCulate:MATH:EXPRession:NAME
:CALCulate:MATH:EXPRession:CATalog
```

or use the single command:

```
:CALCulate:MATH:EXPRession:NAME;CATalog
```

If the command is a setting, then put the parameter after the instruction. If the command is an inquiry, then put a question mark (?) after the instruction.

For example, to set the frequency to 1kHz:

```
:SOURce:FREQuency[:CW]1kHz
```

To inquire what the frequency is set to:

```
:SOURce:FREQuency[:CW]?
```

The lowercase letters and portion in parenthesis can be omitted so the above instruction can be rewrites as:

```
:SOUR:FREQ;
```

The Ending Code can be any type in Table 3-5.

**Table 3-5: IEEE-488 Interface Ending Codes** 

Ending Code
[CR] (0Dh)
[LF] (0Ah)
[CR] (0Dh) + [LF] (0Ah)

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## 3.1.5 IEEE-488 Commands - Detailed

The IEEE commands listed in Figure 3-2 are detailed in paragraphs 3.5.1.1 - 3.1.5.39 including command, parameter, return value, function, and description. Note: Numerical data is transferred via one of three methods: integer format, fixed decimal format or floating point decimal format. Refer to Figure 3-3.

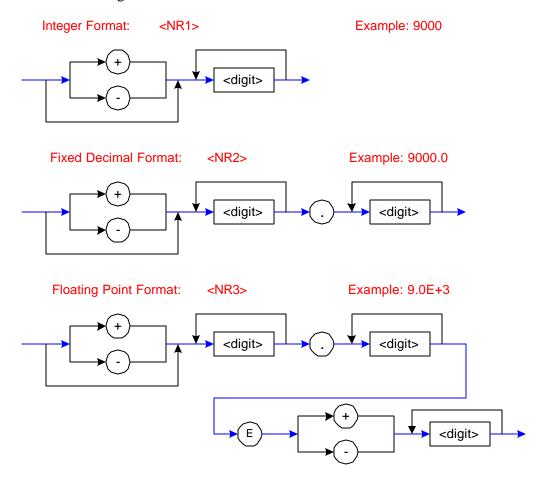


Figure 3-3: Numerical Data Transfer

## 3.1.5.1 ABORt

Instruction: ABORt Parameter: None Return Value: None

Function: Terminate Trigger in process. Reset Trigger.

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## 3.1.5.2 CALCulate1:FORMat

Instruction: CALCulate1:FORMat

Parameter: {REAL | MLINear | CP | CS | LP | LS | ZS | RS | RP} Return Value: {REAL | MLINear | CP | CS | LP | LS | ZS | RS | RP} Function: Set or Query the primary measurement parameter.

Description: REAL Impedance, Real

MLINear Impedance, absolute value CP Equivalent parallel capacitance CS Equivalent series capacitance LP Equivalent parallel inductance LS Equivalent series inductance **7**S Equivalent series impedance RS Equivalent series resistance RP Equivalent parallel resistance

#### 3.1.5.3 CALCulate2:FORMat

Instruction: CALCulate2:FORMat

Parameter: {IMAGinary | PHASe | D | Q | REAL | RS | XS} Return Value: {IMAGinary | PHASe | D | Q | REAL | RS | XS} Function: Set or Query the secondary measurement parameter.

Description: IMAGinary Impedance, Imaginary

PHASe Phase angle
D Dissipation factor
Q Quality factor
REAL Impedance, Real

RS Equivalent series resistance

XS Equivalent series reactance (imaginary)

# 3.1.5.4 CALCulate{11/2}:LIMit:BEEPer:CONDition

Instruction: CALCulate {1 | 2}:LIMit:BEEPer:CONDition

Parameter: {FAIL | PASS}

Return Value: None

Function: Set condition upon which Beeper sounds.

Description: FAIL Beeper sounds when comparison result is a FAIL

PASS Beeper sounds when comparison result is a PASS

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#### 3.1.5.5 CALCulate{11/22}:LIMit:BEEPer

CALCulate{1 2}:LIMit:BEEPer Instruction: {OFF (0) | LOW (1) | HIGH (2)} Parameter:

Return Value: {0 | 1 | 2}

Set or query if beeper is ON or OFF. Function:

Turn off Beeper Description: (0)

> Turn on Beeper (LOW) (1) Turn on Beeper (HIGH) (2)

#### 3.1.5.6 CALCulate{11/22}:LIMit:LOWer[:DATA]

CALCulate {1 | 2}:LIMit:LOWer[:DATA] Instruction: Parameter: {The lower limit value | MAXimum | MINimum}

Return Value: The lower limit value, the format is <NR3> (Floating point)

Set or query the lower limit value. Function:

MINimum -9.999E14 Description:

> MAXimum 9.999E14

#### 3.1.5.7 CALCulate{11/22}:LIMit:STATe

CALCulate{1 | 2}:LIMit:STATe Instruction:

{ON (1) | OFF (0)} Parameter:

Return Value:  $\{1 \mid 0\}$ 

Function: Set or query if the Compare function is ON or OFF.

Turn on Compare function Description: ON (1)

OFF (0) Turn off Compare function

#### 3.1.5.8 CALCulate{11/22}:LIMit:UPPer[:DATA]

CALCulate{1 | 2}:LIMit:UPPer[:DATA] Instruction:

{The upper limit value | MAXimum | MINimum} Parameter:

Return Value: The upper limit value, the format is <NR3> (Floating point)

Function: Set or query the upper limit value. MINimum -9.999E14

Description:

MAXimum 9.999E14

#### 3.1.5.9 CALCulate{11/22}:MATH:EXPression:CATalog

CALCulate{1 | 2}:MATH:EXPRession:CATalog Instruction:

Parameter:

Return Value: Bias absolute value (DEV) or percent value (PCNT)

Send back the parameter to use with Function:

CALCulate{1 | 2}:MATH:EXPRession:NAME

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# 3.1.5.10 CALCulate{11/22}:MATH:EXPRession:NAME

Instruction: CALCulate {1 | 2}: MATH: EXPRession: NAME

Parameter: {DEV | PCNT} Return Value: {DEV | PCNT}

Function: Set the Compare function value to deviation or percent deviation.

## 3.1.5.11 CALCulate{11/2}:MATH:STATe

Instruction: CALCulate{1 | 2}:MATH:STATe

Parameter:  $\{ON(1) \mid OFF(0)\}$ 

Return Value: {1 | 0}

Function: Set or query if CALCulate{1 | 2}: MATH:EXPRession:NAME is ON or OFF.

Description: ON (1) Turn on CALCulate{1 | 2}: MATH:EXPRession:NAME

OFF (0) Turn off CALCulate {1 | 2}: MATH:EXPRession:NAME

# 3.1.5.12 CALCulate{1\(\frac{1}{2}\)}: PATH?

Instruction: CALCulate{1 | 2}: PATH?

Parameter: None

Return Value: FORM, MATH, LIM

Function: Send back CALCulate subsystem according to performance sequence of

CALCulate subsystem.

# 3.1.5.13 CALCulate{31/24}:MATH:STATe

Instruction: CALCulate {3 | 4}:MATH:STATe

Parameter:  $\{ON(1) \mid OFF(0)\}$ 

Return Value: {1 | 0}

Function: Set or query if VM/IM function is ON or OFF.

Description: CALCulate3 Set current value (IM)

CALCulate4 Set voltage value (VM)
ON (1) Turn on VM/IM function

OFF (0) Turn off VM/IM

# 3.1.5.14 CALibration:CABLe

Instruction: CALibration:CABLe Parameter:  $\{0-4 \text{ meters}\}\$  Return Value:  $\{0 \mid 1 \mid 2 \mid 4\}$ 

Function: Set the test cable length.

**NOTE:** 

CALC1 refers to primary parameter, CALC2 to secondary parameter.

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### 3.1.5.15 :DATA[:DATA]

Instruction: :DATA[:DATA]
Parameter: {REF1 | REF2}

Return Value: The nominal value in <NR3> format (-9.999E14 to 9.999E14)

Function: Set the Primary or Secondary nominal value.

Description: REF1 Nominal value of primary parameter

REF2 Nominal value of secondary parameter

# 3.1.5.16 DISPlay[:WINDow][:STATe]

Instruction: DISPlay[:WINDow][:STATe]

Parameter:  $\{ON(1) \mid OFF(0)\}$ 

Return Value: {1 0}

Function: Set or query if the LCD display is ON or OFF.

### 3.1.5.17 DISPlay[:WINDow] :TEXT1:PAGE

Instruction: DISPlay[:WINDow]:TEXT1:PAGE

Parameter: {1 | 2} Return Value: {1 | 2}

Function: Set or query which screen is shown.

Description: 1 Measuring screen

2 Comparison screen

### 3.1.5.18 DISPlay[:WINDow]:TEXT2:PAGE

Instruction: DISPlay[:WINDow]:TEXT2:PAGE

Parameter: {1 | 2 | 3} Return Value: {1 | 2 | 3}

Function: Set or query which page of MEAS DISPLAY is shown.

Description: 1 Page 1 of MEAS DISPLAY (Freq, Level, Parameter)

Page 2 of MEAS DISPLAY (Range, Speed, Trigger)
 Page 3 of MEAS DISPLAY (Bias, Binning, Compare)

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#### 3.1.5.19 **FETCh?**

Instruction: FETCh? Parameter: None

Return Value: <STATE>, <DAT1>, <DAT2>, <CMP1>, <CMP2>

Function: Get the result from the INITiate function.

Description: <STATE> Measuring status

1 Normal2 Overload

3 DUT disconnected

<DAT1> test value of primary parameter
<DAT2> test value of secondary parameter
When the Compare function is enabled, results are:
<CMP1> comparison value of primary parameter
<CMP2> comparison value of secondary parameter

No secondary parameter
Test value in range
Test value too high
Test value too low
DUT disconnected

#### NOTE:

Use the \*TRG command to initiate a measurement and get the data back in a single command.

# **3.1.5.20 FORMat[:DATA]**

Instruction: FORMat[:DATA]

Parameter: {ASCII} Return Value: ASK

Function: Set or query the format of the numerical data being transferred.

### 3.1.5.21 INITiate[:IMMediate]

Instruction: INITiate[:IMMediate]

Parameter: None Return Value: None

Function: Immediately initiate all sequences.

#### 3.1.5.22 INITiate: CONTinuous

Instruction: INITiate:CONTinuous Parameter: {ON (1) | OFF (0)}

Return Value: {1 0}

Function: Set or query if the Trigger is ON or OFF.

Description: ON (1) Turn on Trigger

OFF (0) Turn off Trigger

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### 3.1.5.23 [SENSe]:AVERage:COUNt

Instruction: [SENSe]:AVERage:COUNt

Parameter:  $\{1 \sim 256\}$ Return Value:  $\{1 \sim 256\}$ 

Function: Set or query the averaging number.

### 3.1.5.24 [:SENSe]:CORRection:COLLect[:ACQuire]:STANdard

Instruction: [:SENSe]:CORRection:COLLect[:ACQuire]:STANdard

Parameter: {1 | 2} Return Value: None

Function: Perform OPEN or SHORT correction procedure.
Description: 1 Perform OPEN correction procedure

2 Perform SHORT correction procedure

Open Example: SENSe:CORR:COLL:STAN1

#### 3.1.5.25 [:SENSe]:CORRection:COLLect:METHod

Instruction: [:SENSe]:CORRection:COLLect:METHod

Parameter: {REFL2} Return Value: {REFL2}

Function: Set or query the measured tolerance's correction procedure.

Description: REFL2 OPEN/SHORT correction procedure

### 3.1.5.26 [:SENSe]:CORRection:DATA?STANdard

Instruction: [:SENSe]:CORRection:DATA?STANdard

Parameter:  $\{1 \mid 2\}$ 

Return Value: Two numerical correction values in <NR3> format

Function: Query the numerical correction value.

Description: STANdard 1 OPEN correction value: G, B

STANdard 2 SHORT correction value: R, X

#### 3.1.5.27 [:SENSe]:FIMPedance:APERature

Instruction: [:SENSe]:FIMPedance:APERature

Parameter: 0.025 (Fast), 0.065 (Medium), 0.500 (Slow) Return Value: 0.025 (Fast), 0.065 (Medium), 0.500 (Slow)

Function: Set or query the measurement speed.

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# 3.1.5.28 [:SENSe]:FIMPedance:RANGe:AUTO

Instruction: [:SENSe]:FIMPedance:RANGe:AUTO

Parameter:  $\{ON(1) \mid OFF(0)\}$ 

Return Value: {1 0}

Function: Set or query if the Auto Range is ON or OFF.

Description: ON (1) Turn on Auto Range

OFF (0) Turn off Auto Range

### 3.1.5.29 [:SENSe]:FIMPedance:RANGe[:UPPer]

Instruction: [:SENSe]:FIMPedance:RANGe[:UPPer]
Parameter: {Measured value range | UP | DOWN}

Unit: [MOHM | kOHM | OHM | mOHM], default is OHM

Return Value: {Measured value range} in <NR3> format

Function: Set or query which Measurement Range is enabled.

Description: UP Go to previous range

DOWN Go to next range

Range Values:  $1M\Omega$ ,  $300k\Omega$ ,  $100k\Omega$ ,  $30k\Omega$ ,  $10k\Omega$ ,  $3k\Omega$ ,  $1k\Omega$ ,  $300\Omega$ ,  $100\Omega$ ,  $10\Omega$ ,  $10\Omega$ ,  $0.1\Omega$ .

Note: When CONST Resource is OFF,  $300k\Omega$ ,  $30k\Omega$ ,  $3k\Omega$  and  $300\Omega$  are disabled.

When Test Frequency is set to 100Hz or 120Hz,  $0.1\Omega$  is disabled.

### 3.1.5.30 [:SENSe]:FUNCtion[:ON]

Instruction: [:SENSe]:FUNCtion[:ON]

Parameter: {FIMPedance | FADMITTANCE} Return Value: {FIMPedance | FADMITTANCE}

Function: Set or query the equivalent circuit measurement mode.

Description: FIMPedance Series equivalent circuit

FADMittance Parallel equivalent circuit

### 3.1.5.31 SOURce:FREQuency[:CW]

Instruction: SOURce:FREQuency[:CW]

Parameter: Test Frequency

Unit: [Hz kHz], default is Hz

Return Value: {Test Frequency} in <NR3> format Function: Set or query the test frequency.

Range Values: 100Hz, 120Hz, 1kHz, 10kHz, 20kHz, 50kHz and 100kHz

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# 3.1.5.32 SOURce:VOLTage[:LEVel][:IMMediate][AMPLitude]

Instruction: SOURce:VOLTage[:LEVel][:IMMediate][AMPLitude]

Parameter: Test Voltage

Return Value: {Test Voltage} in <NR3> format Function: Set or query the test voltage.

Range Values: 0.02 ~ 1Vrms, Resolution is 10mV

# 3.1.5.33 SOURce:VOLTage[:LEVel][:IMMediate]:OFFSet:STATe

Instruction: SOURce:VOLTage[:LEVel][:IMMediate]:OFFSet:STATe

Parameter:  $\{ON(1) \mid OFF(0)\}$ 

Return Value: {1 0}

Function: Enable/Disable the DC bias voltage function.

Description: ON (1) Enable bias voltage

OFF (0) Disable bias voltage

#### **3.1.5.34 SYSTem:ALARm**

Instruction: SYSTem:ALARm Parameter: {PULSe | CONTinuous}

Return Value: {PULSe | CONTinuous}

Function: Set the mode the alarm will sound in.

#### 3.1.5.35 SYSTem:BEEPer:STATe

Instruction: SYSTem:BEEPer:STATe

Parameter:  $\{OFF(0) \mid ON, LOW(1) \mid ON, HIGH(2)\}$ 

Return Value: {0 | 1 | 2}

Function: Set the loudness of the beeper.

#### **3.1.5.36 SYSTem:CONSt**

Instruction: SYSTem:CONSt

Parameter: Constant Source Resistance Return Value: {100/25 | 100 | 25 | 10c}

Function: Set the constant source resistance.

#### **3.1.5.37 SYSTem:ERRor?**

Instruction: SYSTem:ERRor?

Parameter: None

Return Value: Error message

Function: Query if there are any system errors.

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#### 3.1.5.38 SYSTem:HANDler

Instruction: SYSTem:HANDler
Parameter: {CLEAr | HOLD}
Return Value: {CLEAr | HOLD}

Function: Set the Handler to clear result or hold result for each test.

# 3.1.5.39 SYSTem:INTEgration

Instruction: SYSTem:INTEgration

Parameter:  $\{0 - 8\}$ 

Return Value: {0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8}

Function: Set the integer cycle (# of sine waves integrated together per measurement).

#### **3.1.5.40 SYSTem:KLOCk**

Instruction: SYSTem:KLOCk Parameter: {ON (1) OFF (0)}

Return Value: {1 | 0}

Function: Set or query if the Key Lock function is ON or OFF.

Description: ON (1) Turn on Key Lock

OFF (0) Turn off Key Lock

#### **3.1.5.41 SYSTem:PRESet**

Instruction: SYSTem:PRESet

Parameter: None Return Value: None

Function: Set the instrument to initial default values.

#### **3.1.5.42 YSTem:VERSion**

Instruction: SYSTem:VERSion

Parameter: None Return Value: None

Function: Set the instrument software version and date.

### **3.1.5.43** TRIGer:DELay

Instruction: TRIGer:DELay
Parameter: Trigger Delay Time
Unit: [MS | S], default is S

Return Value: {Trigger Delay Time} in <NR3> format Function: Set or query the trigger delay time.

Range Values:  $0 \sim 9999$ ms

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### 3.1.5.44 TRIGer:[IMMediate]

Instruction: TRIGer:[IMMediate]

Parameter: None Return Value: None

Function: Set the instrument to trigger immediately.

### 3.1.5.45 TRIGger:SOURce

Instruction: TRIGger:SOURce

Parameter: {BUS | EXTernal | INTernal | MANual} Return Value: {BUS | EXTernal | INTernal | MANual}

Function: Set or query the trigger mode.

Description: BUS Bus trigger

EXTernal External trigger INTernal Internal trigger MANual Manual trigger

# 3.1.6 Binning Example

Here is an example to program the bin limits for a binning operation. In this example Bin1 has a high/low limit of  $\pm 1.2\%$ . Bin2 has a high/low limit of  $\pm 2.2\%$ . Both nested around the nominal value of  $100\text{m}\Omega$ .

#### Note:

The Bin function is turned on after the bin limits are set.

:BINing:NOMInal 100e3; Sets the nominal value to 100m
:BINning:UPPer:AUX 1; Sets the AUX-HI limit value to 1
:BINning:LOWer:AUX 0; Sets the AUX\_LO limit value to 0
:BINning:UPPer:BIN1,+1.2; Sets the Bin1 HI limit value to +1.2%
:BINning:UPPer:BIN2,+2.2; Sets the Bin2 HI limit value to +2.2%
:BINning:LOWer:BIN2,-2.2; Sets the Bin2 LO limit value to -2.2%

:BINning:STATe ON; Enables Binning function :BINning:RESUlt? Query the Binning result

#### Results

+0 Binning result is Bin0 = Secondary parameter failed +1 - +8 Binning result is Bin1 to Bin8 = Primary and secondary

parameters pass (within the limits set for bins 1-8).

+9 Binning result is Bin9 = Secondary pass, primary fail

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### 3.1.7 Compare Example

Here is an example to program the nominal, high and low limits for a compare operation. In this example the 1730 instrument is programmed with the primary parameter Rs and the secondary parameter Q at 1kHz and 1V. The auto range is OFF and the  $100\Omega$  Range is selected. The primary nominal value is set to  $24.9\Omega$ , the primary low lmit is set to  $20\Omega$  and the primary high limit is set to  $30\Omega$ . The Compare display selected is "ON-VAL". **Note:** the Compare function is turned on **after** the limits are set.

```
NI = 0
datakeep$ = "no"
passall$ = "yes"
If NI = 1 Then
Open "gpib0" For Output As #1
Open "gpib0" For Input As #2
Print #1, "ABORT"
Print #1, "RESET"
Print #1, "gpibeos If"
Else
Open "\dev\ieeeout" For Output As #1
IOCTL #1, "BREAK"
Print #1, "RESET"
Open "\dev\ieeein" For Input As #2
Print #1, "TERM LF"
End If
K2 = 1000
fr = 100000
cmdl$ = "C"
Print #1, "output 17; TRIG:SOUR ext"
For G = 1 To k2: Next G
Print #1, "output 17; :SOUR:FREQ "; 1000
For G = 1 To k2: Next G
Print #1, "output 17; :SENS:FIMP:APER 0.500"
For G = 1 To k2: Next G
Print #1, "output 17; :SOUR:VOLT 1e0"
For G = 1 To k2: Next G
Print #1, "output 17; :CAL:CABL 1"
For G = 1 To k2: Next G
Print #1, "output 17; :CALC2:FORM Q"
For G = 1 To k2: Next G
Print #1, "output 17; :CALC1:FORM RS"
For G = 1 To k2: Next G
Rem now for bin limits
Print #1, "output 17; :data ref1,24.9;"
For G = 1 To k2: Next G
Print #1, "output 17; :sens:fimp:rang:auto off"
For G = 1 To k2: Next G
Print #1, "output 17; :sens:fimp:rang 100"
For G = 1 To k2: Next G
Print #1, "output 17; :CALC1:lim:lower 20"
For G = 1 To k2: Next G
Print #1, "output 17; :CALC1:lim:upper 30"
For G = 1 To k2: Next G
Print #1, "output 17; :CALC1:lim:state on"
For G = 1 To k2: Next G
Print #1, "output 17; :CALC1:math:state on"
For G = 1 To k2: Next G
Print #1, "output 17; :disp:wind:text1:page2"
For G = 1 To k2: Next G
```

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### 3.1.8 Sample IEEE-488 Basic Program

Included herein is a sample Basic program.

### **NOTE:**

Refer to: <a href="http://www.quadtech.com">http://www.quadtech.com</a> for the latest sample programs that may be available.

```
NI = 0
IF NI = 1 THEN
OPEN "gpib0" FOR OUTPUT AS #1
OPEN "gpib0" FOR INPUT AS #2
PRINT #1, "ABORT"
PRINT #1, "RESET"
PRINT #1, "gpibeos lf"
ELSE
OPEN "\dev\ieeeout" FOR OUTPUT AS #1
IOCTL #1, "BREAK"
PRINT #1, "RESET"
OPEN "\dev\ieeein" FOR INPUT AS #2
PRINT #1, "TERM LF"
END IF
k2 = 1000
fr = 100000
Cmdl$ = "C"
Print "Configuring the 1730"
PRINT #1, "output 17; TRIG:SOUR BUS"
FOR g = 1 TO k2: NEXT g
PRINT #1, "output 17; :SOUR:FREQ "; fr
FOR g = 1 TO k2: NEXT g
PRINT #1, "output 17; :SENS:FIMP:APER 0.500"
FOR g = 1 TO k2: NEXT g
PRINT #1, "output 17; :SOUR:VOLT 1e0"
FOR q = 1 TO k2: NEXT q
PRINT #1, "output 17; :CAL:CABL 1"
FOR g = 1 TO k2: NEXT g
PRINT #1, "output 17; :FIMP:RANG:AUTO ON"
FOR g = 1 TO k2: NEXT g
PRINT #1, "output 17; :CALC1:FORM REAL"
FOR g = 1 TO k2: NEXT g
PRINT #1, "output 17; :CALC2:FORM IMAG"
FOR g = 1 TO k2: NEXT g
IF cmdl$ = "C" THEN
       PRINT #1, "output 17; :CALC2:FORM D" PRINT #1, "output 17; :CALC1:FORM CP"
ELSEIF cmdl$ = "R" THEN
       PRINT #1, "output 17; :CALC2:FORM Q"
       PRINT #1, "output 17; :CALC1:FORM RS"
ELSEIF cmdl$ = "L" THEN
       PRINT #1, "output 17; :CALC1:FORM LS"
       PRINT #1, "output 17; :CALC2:FORM Q"
END IF
PRINT #1, "output 17;*TRG"
FOR g = 1 TO k2: NEXT g
PRINT #1, "enter 17"
REM get and parse return data
INPUT #2, s1$
INPUT #2, f3$
INPUT #2, f6$
PRINT "Data is: ", s1$, f3$, f6$
```

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### 3.2 Handler Interface

The 1730 instrument comes standard with a Handler interface as illustrated in Figure 3-4. Connection is through the blue 50-pin connector on the rear panel of the 1730 instrument.

1730 Handler Interface PIN Configuration: Rear Panel View  $\bigcirc$ 41 49 42 40 39 38 37 36 35 34 33 32 31 30 VEXT COM 26 СОМ VEXT 2 27 /BIN8 NC 3 28 NC /BIN3 4 29 /BIN7 NC 5 30 NC /BIN5 6 31 /BIN2 NC 7 32 NC /BIN6 8 33 NC /BIN0 9 34 /BIN1 NC 10 35 NC /BIN4 11 36 1730 Handler Interface NC NC 12 PIN Designation 37 NC 13 38 NC NC 14 39 NC NC 15 40 VEXT = +5V-24V/EXT = External Trigger NC NC 16 41 NC = No Connection NC NC 17 42 NC /ACQ 18 43 /EXT /EOT 19 44 СОМ VEXT 20 45 VEXT СОМ 21 46 NC 22 47 NC NC 23 48 24 49 GND 25 50

Figure 3-4: Handler Interface Pin Configuration

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Paragraph 2.3.16 contains the instructions for changing the Handler mode. Paragraphs 2.3.3 and 2.3.4 contain instructions for setting the Trigger Delay time and selecting the Trigger Edge. Figure 3-5 illustrates the Trigger function.

Start measurement on RISING or FALLING edge

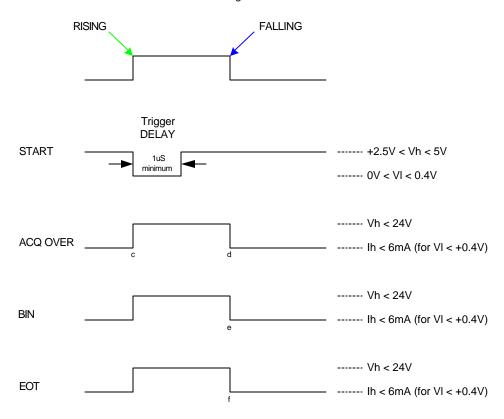


Figure 3-5: Trigger

### **Output Signals**

The output lines of the 1730 Handler interface are open collector drivers that pull each signal line to a low voltage, signal ground when the signal is active (true). Each external line should be pulled up (with a resistor) to a positive voltage between 5V and 24V. The pull-up resistor must limit the current to < 6mA for a signal of a comparison function and to < 5mA for a control signal (EOT).

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MAIN +5 **BOARD** (1730)Pull-Up Handler Resistors Interface /BIN0 VEXT COM 26 /BIN1 VEXT СОМ 2 27 /BIN8 /BIN2 /BIN3 /BIN7 /BIN3 /BIN5 31 \*\* /BIN2 32 /BIN4 /BIN6 \*\*\* /BIN0 /BIN5 /BIN1 14 /BIN4 36 /BIN6 NC 12 37 /BIN9 38 /BIN7 NC 14 39 74 15 40 /BIN8 NC 16 41 NC 17 42 /BIN9 /ACQ /EXT /EOT 19 /ACQ VEXT СОМ 45 20 VEXT СОМ 21 46 /EOT 22 47 NC 23 48 GND 24 49 25 50

Figure 3-6 illustrates the connection of the handler interface to the main board on the 1730.

Figure 3-6: Connection of 1730 Handler Interface to Main Board

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# **Input Signal**

The input signal to the 1730 Handler interface is active low and requires a positive external voltage to pull the signal down below 0.4V, ground. The connection of pin 19 (/EXT), the external trigger input signal, is illustrated in Figure 3-7.

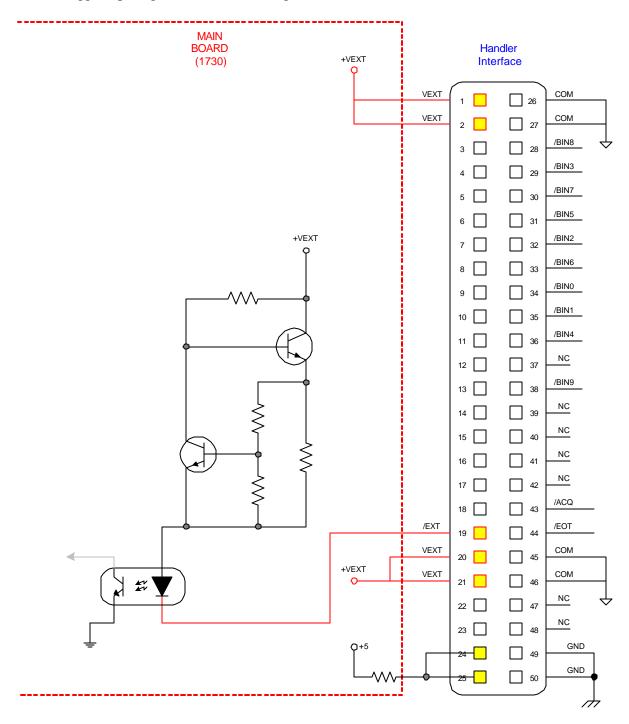


Figure 3-7: Input Signals

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A basic example of an external trigger (START) connection is illustrated in Figure 3-8. A switch is inserted between pins 19 and 50. A green LED is connected between pins 1, 25 and 38.

1730 Handler Interface PIN Configuration: Rear Panel View

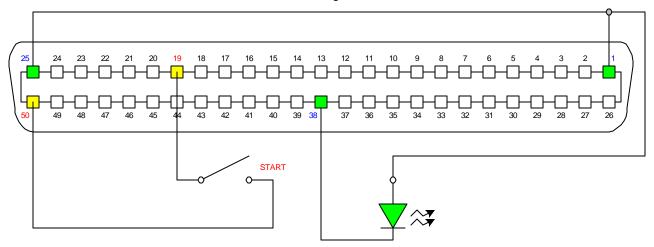


Figure 3-8: Sample External Trigger Connection

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# 3.2.1 Handler Pin Assignments for Binning Operation

Table 3-6 lists the pin assignments when the handler interface on the 1730 instrument is performing a Binning operation. The device under test is sorted by test value. The test limits can be set as absolute value or percent value.

Table 3-6: Handler Pin Assignments for Binning

Pin	Name	Description
1 - 2	VEXT	External DC voltage: 5V ~ 24V
3 – 18	X	No connection
19	/EXT	External trigger
20 – 21	VEXT	External DC voltage: 5V ~ 24V
22 - 25	X	No connection
26 – 27	COM	Common Ground
28	BIN 8	Primary parameter pass (within Bin 8 limits)
29	BIN 3	Primary parameter pass (within Bin 3 limits)
30	BIN 7	Primary parameter pass (within Bin 7 limits)
31	BIN 5	Primary parameter pass (within Bin 5 limits)
32	BIN 2	Primary parameter pass (within Bin 2 limits)
33	BIN 6	Primary parameter pass (within Bin 6 limits)
34	BIN 0	Secondary parameter fail
35	BIN 1	Primary parameter pass (within Bin 1 limits)
36	BIN 4	Primary parameter pass (within Bin 4 limits)
37	X	No connection
38	BIN 9	Primary parameter pass
39 – 42	X	No connection
43	ACQ	Received data, ready to accept next
44	EOT	End of Test
45 – 46	COM	Common Ground
47 – 48	X	No connection
49 – 50	GND	Chassis Ground

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# 3.2.2 Handler Pin Assignments for Compare Operation

Table 3-7 lists the pin assignments when the handler interface on the 1730 instrument is performing a Compare operation. The device under test is being compared against a standard of known value. High and low limits can be defined as absolute value or percent value.

**Table 3-7: Handler Pin Assignments for Compare** 

Pin	Name	Description
1 - 2	VEXT	External DC voltage: 5V ~ 24V
3 – 18	X	No connection
19	/EXT	External trigger
20 - 21	VEXT	External DC voltage: 5V ~ 24V
22 - 25	X	No connection
26 - 27	COM	Common Ground
28	A HI	Primary parameter fail high (test value above high limit)
29	A GO	Primary parameter pass (test value within limits)
30	A LO	Primary parameter fail low (test value below low limit)
31	B HI	Secondary parameter fail high (test value above high limit)
32	B GO	Secondary parameter pass (test value within limits)
33	B LO	Secondary parameter fail low (test value below low limit)
34	B NG	Secondary parameter fail (No Good)
35	GO	
36 - 37	X	No connection
38	A NG	Primary parameter fail (No Good)
39 - 42	X	No connection
43	ACQ	Received data, ready to accept next
44	EOT	End of Test
45 – 46	COM	Common Ground
47 – 48	X	No connection
49 – 50	GND	Chassis Ground

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# 3.3 Bias Voltage

Figure 3-9 illustrates the two connectors on the rear panel of the 1730 instrument used for bias voltage (or current) applications. The  $R_{\rm BIAS}$  connector is a black 4-screw terminal strip with two screws active. The EXT BIAS connector is a silver BNC terminal.

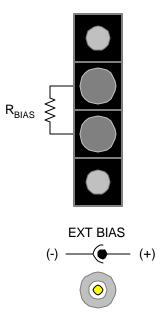


Figure 3-9: Bias Voltage Connectors

A fixed resistor or potentiometer can be connected to  $R_{BIAS}$  to provide an internal bias voltage or current to the device under test (DUT). In [MEAS DISPLAY] select Bias Voltage = ON. The value of the resistor placed across the  $R_{BIAS}$  terminals determines the bias voltage output. The  $R_{BIAS}$  output can range from 0V - 5V. The polarity is always positive.

The bias voltage output is determined by the formula:

BIAS Voltage = 
$$\frac{5.0V}{[R_{BIAS} (k\Omega)] + 1}$$

For example, a fixed resistor value of  $4k\Omega$  would provide a 1.0V bias voltage output.

BIAS Voltage = 
$$\frac{5.0V}{[4.0 (k\Omega)] + 1} = 1.0V$$

 $R_{BIAS}$  can also be used as a bias current source. The output current is determined by the resistor value and the selected source impedance value with a maximum bias current equal to 200 mA and a compliance voltage of 5.0 V.

Use the EXT BIAS BNC connector if an external power supply is to be used rather than R<sub>BIAS</sub>.

#### **NOTE:**

To prevent damage to the 1730 instrument, do  ${f not}$  use the  $R_{BIAS}$  resistor if the EXT BIAS connector is used.

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# **Section 4: Service & Calibration**

#### 4.1 General

Our warranty (at the front of this manual) attests to the quality of materials and workmanship in out products. If malfunction should be suspected, or other information desired, applications engineers are available for technical assistance. Applications assistance is available in the U.S. by calling (978) 461-2100 and asking for Applications Support. For support outside of the United States please contact your local QuadTech Distributor.

#### 4.2 Instrument Return

Before returning an instrument to QuadTech for service please call our **Customer Care Center** (CCC) at 800-253-1230 for Return Material Authorization (RMA). It will be necessary to include a Purchase Order Number to insure expedient processing, although units found to be in warranty will be repaired at no-charge. For any questions on repair costs or shipping instructions please contact our CCC Department at the afore-mentioned number. To safeguard an instrument during storage and shipping, please use packaging that is adequate to protect it from damage, i.e. equivalent to the original packaging, and mark the box "Delicate Electronic Instrument". Return material should be sent freight prepaid to:

QuadTech, Inc. 5 Clock Tower Place, 210 East Maynard, Massachusetts 01754

**Attention: RMA#** 

Shipments sent collect cannot be accepted.

#### 4.3 Calibration

Calibration of the 1730 LCR Digibridge instruments is completed at the factory and includes a NIST calibration certificate. Verification of instrument operation and accuracy is recommended on an annual basis. Accurate operation of the 1730 instrument is confirmed using the 1730-TP Verification Procedure.

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#### **4.3.1 1730** Verification Procedure

This section outlines the relevant information to verify performance of the 1730 LCR Meter. It is recommended that performance be performed at least once a year using this outline procedure. Instrument should be warmed up for a minimum of 15 minutes prior to verification. Verification should be performed under the following conditions: Temperature equal to  $23^{\circ}\text{C} \pm 1.2^{\circ}\text{C}$  and Relative Humidity (RH) between 35% and 55%.

Recommended standards are listed below. All standards should be traceable to a National Laboratory such as N.I.S.T. with calibrated values for primary and secondary parameters at the required test frequencies. QuadTech's verification conforms to ANSI Z540 and QuadTech recommends that the calibrated values for the primary and secondary standards have an uncertainty 4 times better than the primary and secondary accuracy specified in the Verification Data Sheet. If the calibrated values for the standards used do not have an uncertainty of 4 times better than the specified accuracy of the 1730 the uncertainty of the standard should be added to the specified accuracy of the 1730. For example: if the calibrated value of the 500m $\Omega$  standard is 495.0m $\Omega$  ±1% at 100Hz, the expected reading on the 1730 would be 495.0 m $\Omega$  ±1.7% (1% for the standard accuracy plus 0.7% for the 1730 accuracy). This also applies for secondary parameters as well.

Primary and secondary accuracy specifications given in the Verification Data Sheet are based upon the accuracy formulas in section 2.4.5 of this manual.

#### **Measurement Standards**

#### **Inductance Standards 4 Terminal**

Inductor 10 μH (nominal value)
Inductor 100 μH (nominal value)
Inductor 1000 μH (nominal value)

#### **Standard Open and Short**

#### **Resistance Standards 4 Terminal**

Resistor 95K ohm (nominal value)
Resistor 6K ohm (nominal value)
Resistor 374 ohm (nominal value)
Resistor 25 ohm (nominal value)
Resistor 5 ohm (nominal value)
Resistor 500m ohm (nominal value)

#### **Capacitance Standards 2 or 4 Terminal**

Capacitor 50pF (nominal value) Capacitor 100pF (nominal value) Capacitor 200pF (nominal value) Capacitor 500pF (nominal value) Capacitor 1000pF (nominal value) Capacitor 0.1µF (nominal value) Capacitor 0.05µF (nominal value) Capacitor 0.02μF (nominal value) Capacitor 0.01µF (nominal value) Capacitor 0.005µF (nominal value) Capacitor 0.002μF (nominal value)

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#### **Measurement Procedure**

The 1730 should be set to the following:

# [SYSTEM SETUP] [SYSTEM CONFIG]

Integration Cycle = 4

Average = 1

Cable Length = 1M

Const Rsource = 25ohms

# [MEAS DISPLAY]

Range: = Auto

Level: 1Volt

Speed: = Slow

Trigger = Manual

BiasV = Off

Binning = Off

Compare = Off

Connections to all standards should be via a 1-meter cable.

A multiple frequency open and short correct should be performed prior to any measurements. See paragraph 2.5.5 for information on performing an open and short correction.

Connect each standard listed in the Verification Data Sheet and select the test frequency in the [MEAS DISPLAY] menu of the 1730. Record the results in the Verification Data Sheet.

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# 4.3.2 1730 Verification Data Sheet

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R500M			•		•		
Freq	Pri. Actual	Sec. Actual	Voltage	Primary Meas.	Sec. Meas.	Pspec	Sspec
100			1			0.70%	0.0070
1000			1			0.25%	0.0025
10000			1			0.30%	0.0030
100000			1			0.90%	0.0091
R25							
Freq	Pri. Actual	Sec. Actual	Voltage	Primary Meas.	Sec. Meas.	Pspec	Sspec
100			1			0.25%	0.0035
1000			1			0.24%	0.0016
10000			1			0.26%	0.0016
100000			1			0.50%	0.0035
R374							
Freq	Pri. Actual	Sec. Actual	Voltage	Primary Meas.	Sec. Meas.	Pspec	Sspec
100			1			0.20%	0.0035
1000			1			0.10%	0.0009
10000			1			0.20%	0.0012
100000			1			0.45%	0.0035
R6K					·		
Freq	Pri. Actual	Sec. Actual	Voltage	Primary Meas.	Sec. Meas.	Pspec	Sspec
100			1			0.20%	0.0020
1000			1			0.10%	0.0010
10000			1			0.45%	0.0045
100000			1			0.70%	0.0071
R95.3K							_
Freq	Pri. Actual	Sec. Actual	Voltage	Primary Meas.	Sec. Meas.	Pspec	Sspec
100			1			0.20%	0.0020
1000			1			0.12%	0.0012
10000			1			0.50%	0.0051
100000			1			2.00%	0.0213
L10uH							
Freq	Pri. Actual	Sec. Actual	Voltage	Primary Meas.	Sec. Meas.	Pspec	Sspec
1000			1			0.36%	0.1405
40000			1			0.30%	4.5965
10000			<u>'</u>			0.5070	1.0000
10000			1			0.60%	

# L100uH

Freq	Pri. Actual	Sec. Actual	Voltage	Primary Meas.	Sec. Meas.	Pspec	Sspec
1000			1			0.50%	0.0652
10000			1			0.35%	1.6276
20000			1			0.36%	5.4100
100000			1			0.50%	102.9650

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L1000uH							
Freq	Pri. Actual	Sec. Actual	Voltage	Primary Meas.	Sec. Meas.	Pspec	Sspec
100			1			3.68%	0.0300
1000			1			0.41%	0.2781
10000	)		1			0.26%	8.9862
100000			1			0.45%	74.8312
C50pF							
Freq	Pri. Actual	Sec. Actual	Voltage	Primary Meas.	Sec. Meas.	Pspec	Sspec
1000			1			0.35%	0.0040
10000	)		1			0.50%	0.0072
100000			1			2.00%	0.0483
C100pF							
Freq	Pri. Actual	Sec. Actual	Voltage	Primary Meas.	Sec. Meas.	Pspec	Sspec
1000			1			0.35%	0.0040
10000	)		1			0.50%	0.0072
100000			1			2.00%	0.0483
C200pF							
Freq	Pri. Actual	Sec. Actual	Voltage	Primary Meas.	Sec. Meas.	Pspec	Sspec
100			1			0.35%	0.0037
1000			1			0.16%	0.0018
10000			1			0.50%	0.0072
100000			1			0.70%	0.0169
C500pF							
Freq	Pri. Actual	Sec. Actual	Voltage	Primary Meas.	Sec. Meas.	Pspec	Sspec
100			1			0.35%	0.0037
1000			1			0.16%	0.0018
			1				1

# C1000pF

10000

100000

Freq		Pri. Actual	Sec. Actual	Voltage	Primary Meas.	Sec. Meas.	Pspec	Sspec
	100			1			0.35%	0.0037
	1000			1			0.16%	0.0018
	10000			1			0.50%	0.0072
1	00000			1			0.70%	0.0169

1

1

0.50%

0.70%

0.0072

0.0169

### C2nF

Freq	Pri. Actual	Sec. Actual	Voltage	Primary Meas.	Sec. Meas.	Pspec	Sspec
100			1			0.20%	0.0021
1000			1			0.12%	0.0014
10000			1			0.45%	0.0065
100000			1			0.45%	0.0109

### C5nF

Freq	Pri. Actual	Sec. Actual	Voltage	Primary Meas.	Sec. Meas.	Pspec	Sspec
100			1			0.20%	0.0021
1000			1			0.12%	0.0014
10000			1			0.45%	0.0065
100000			1			0.45%	0.0109

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### C10nF

Freq	Pri. Actual	Sec. Actual	Voltage	Primary Meas.	Sec. Meas.	Pspec	Sspec
100			1			0.20%	0.0021
1000			1			0.12%	0.0014
10000			1			0.45%	0.0065
100000			1			0.45%	0.0109

# C20nF

Freq	Pri. Actual	Sec. Actual	Voltage	Primary Meas.	Sec. Meas.	Pspec	Sspec
100			1			0.20%	0.0021
1000			1			0.10%	0.0011
10000			1			0.20%	0.0029
100000			1			0.50%	0.0121

# C50nF

Freq	Pri. Actual	Sec. Actual	Voltage	Primary Meas.	Sec. Meas.	Pspec	Sspec
100			1			0.20%	0.0021
1000			1			0.10%	0.0011
10000			1			0.20%	0.0029
100000			1			0.50%	0.0121

# C100nF

Freq	Pri. Actual	Sec. Actual	Voltage	Primary Meas.	Sec. Meas.	Pspec	Sspec
100			1			0.20%	0.0021
1000			1			0.10%	0.0011
10000			1			0.20%	0.0029
100000			1			0.50%	0.0121

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