

National Metrology Institute IT4PQ WP2 Approach for an industrial wideband PQ comparator based on synchronized sampling units

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VSL Broadband comparator for IT4PQ





Based on synchronized units

For industrial calibrations

used to compare the outputs of ITs

For signals in time and freq domain up to 9 kHz





VSL Wideband comparator design criteria

- 1. Hardware specs and requirements
 - 4 single-ended inputs or 2 differential inputs. (**Synchronized**)
 - Industrial application/onsite measurements.
 - Ideally, current and voltage transducers included.
 - Current range 10 A rms (5 A * 200 %), peak value 20 A.
 - Voltage range 240 V rms (120 V * 200 %), peak value 400 V.
 - Frequency range 0.1 Hz to 9 kHz, preferably DC coupled.
 - Signal generator built-in, but with the possibility of using external signal generators.
 - Operating environmental conditions (0 40) °C and (10 90) % Rh.
 - Compatible with 61326-1:2013 (EMC) and 61010-1:2010 (safety).
- 2. Uncertainty targets of voltage/current ratio.
 - 10 ppm of nominal amplitude at fundamental frequency.
 - 100 ppm of rated amplitude for 1 kHz single tone harmonics, 500 ppm up to 9 kHz.





VSL Wideband comparator schematic for CTs.



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VSL Wideband comparator schematic for VTs.







Selection of the Digitizer: Picoscope 5000

- 4 inputs or 2 differential, 14-bit, 125 MS/s. 200 MHz bandwidth. VSL has experience with this digitizer.
- 2. A basic waveform generator included.

However, the analysis is based on non-synchronized generation and acquisition.

3. Memory 512 MS.







VSL Selection of the Digitizer: Picoscope 5000

- 1. Advantages:
 - High sampling rate.
 - 4 Channels are in the same unit.
 - Compact device.
 - Less expensive choice.
- 2. Disadvantages:
 - Low resolution, 14 bit. Ratio measurement, therefore, resolution less important. Also, this low resolution can be compensated by oversampling.
 - Signal generator buffer size of 32 kS. External signal generator necessary for long signals.
 - Limited input range(only voltage up to 20 V). Extra transducers needed.





VSL Conclusions - Future work

- 1. We have selected a suitable digitizer.
- 2. The system will be validated both at VSL and LNE (summer 2022).
- 3. Onsite demonstration is being planned.
- 4. Currently, PQ algorithms for processing are being implemented.

Thank you for your attention.

