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## TEST RECEIVER ESH 3

IEC Bus

9 kHz to 30 MHz  
-30 to +137 dB $\mu$ V

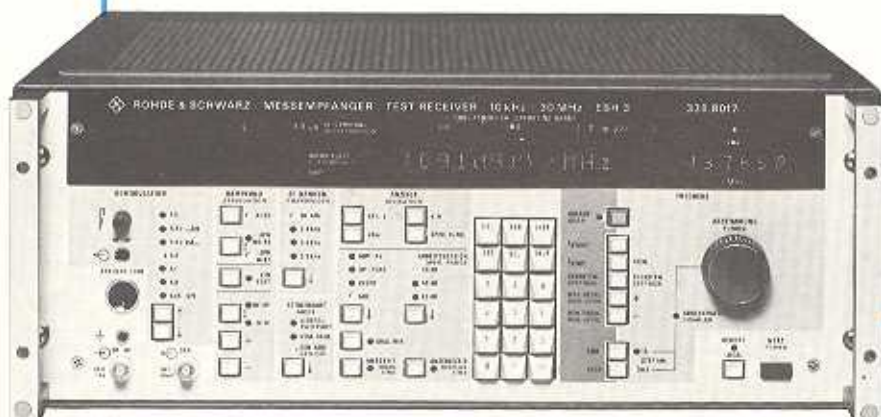




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Programmable Test Receiver ESH 3 ♦ 9 kHz to 30 MHz  
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- Field-strength measurements in conjunction with test antennas
- Radio-interference (EMI) measurements to CISPR, VDE and FCC regulations
- Interference (EMI) measurements to MIL and VG regulations
- Radiomonitoring, remote frequency measurements
- Selective voltage measurements in laboratory and test department

IEC 625 Bus

The **Test Receiver ESH 3** demodulates and measures AM double-sideband, single-sideband, PM and FM signals, as well as sinusoidal and impulsive interference, over the range 9 kHz to 30 MHz. High overload capacity, wide dynamic range, manifold measuring and evaluation capabilities, and numerous available accessories make the ESH 3 suitable for selective voltage and two-port measurements – also in automatic test systems – and for all applications in the field of **radiomonitoring** (page 5) and **EMC** (electromagnetic compatibility – EMI measurements – page 4).

**Selective voltmeter.** Its wide measurement range of -30 to +137 dBμV permits the use of the Test Receiver ESH 3 as an automatic **high-precision** selective voltmeter in the labo-

ratory, test department and service workshop without any accessory units. For high-impedance test items the Active Probe ESH 2-Z2 can be supplied. The Clamp-on RF Current Probe ESH 2-Z1 is available for measuring RF current in electric conductors. Excellent receiver selectivity makes it possible to measure signals of large level differences to a high degree of accuracy even when there are many signals present. Possible applications: SSB two-tone measurements, measurement of harmonics, non-harmonic spurious signals and sideband noise on generators, intermodulation and crossmodulation measurements on RF modules. In all these applications the ESH 3 can be set either to low-noise or low-distortion measurement. Automatic linearity testing permits an inherent non-linearity to be distinguished from that of the test item.

## Other features

- Synthesizer-based design offers frequency setting and readout to crystal accuracy – resolution 100 Hz
- Automatic frequency scanning with selectable start and stop frequencies and step sizes – recording of measured results on printer and/or XY recorder (VDE/FTZ/MIL chart paper can be used)
- Accuracy in compliance with CCIR recommendations
- Automatic calibration of level and frequency offset measurements; frequency response and bandwidth correction values are automatically taken into consideration, making for optimum speed and accuracy of level measurements
- Automatic measurement of voltage, field strength, current, pulse spectral density, and two-port attenuation, with indication of respective physical unit; conversion factors for probes and test antennas and bandwidth correction values are automatically taken into consideration
- Digital data output in μV to V, dBμV, dBm and corresponding units for current field strength, and pulse spectral density
- High overload capacity, outstanding overall selectivity, **automatic indication when overdriven**; automatic linearity test triggered at the push of a key
- Programmable measuring times of 5 ms to 100 s for average-value and peak-value indication; determination of RF input level variation (MAX./MIN. as in cases where fading occurs) with programmable measuring times
- Two-port and remote frequency measurement capability
- Additional signal evaluation capabilities: frequency-offset, modulation-depth and frequency deviation
- Storage of 9 complete device settings and 5 range limits for automatic frequency scanning; stored contents and last device setting are preserved when the receiver is switched off or the current supply is interrupted
- Remote-control interface conforming to IEC 625-1 (IEEE 488) for universal application; Talk-Only Mode for data output to IEC(IEEE)-bus-compatible printer without using a controller



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**Calibration generator.** The calibration generator output providing  $80 \text{ dB}\mu\text{V} \pm 0.5 \text{ dB}$  into  $50 \Omega$  at receiver centre frequency is ideally suited for measuring the frequency response of amplifiers and filters. The attenuation measurement range extends to  $110 \text{ dB}$  and the gain measurement range to  $57 \text{ dB}$ . The RF Current Probe ESH 2-Z1 permits easy measurement of the **shielding effectiveness** of cables. The **return loss** of two-terminal networks (e.g. antennas) and of four-terminal networks can be measured with the calibration generator in conjunction with a VSWR bridge.

In the remote frequency mode it is possible to connect a frequency counter to the generator output for exact (remote) frequency measurement of the signal received by use of the reconversion principle.

### Signal evaluation

- **Four switchable IF bandwidths:** 0.2/0.5/2.4/10 kHz
- Average, peak and pulse weighted (CISPR Publ. 1 and 3) indication with programmable measuring times
- Switch-selected demodulation modes **A0, A1, A3, A3J** (USB, LSB), **F3** – built-in loudspeaker and phones output
- **Analog indication** of level and frequency offset in addition to the **digital data output**
- Indication of RF input overload or overloading of other essential stages and automatic **linearity test** at the push of a key
- **Broadband 75-MHz IF output** for connection of panoramic adapter or spectrum analyzer
- **Narrowband 30-kHz IF output** for connection of oscilloscope
- AM and FM demodulator outputs
- Recorder outputs for level and frequency offset
- **Generator output** for signal frequency measurement
- Digital measurement of modulation depth, frequency offset and deviation

**Recording of results.** Spectra of harmonics, non-harmonic spurious signals and sideband noise as well as gain and

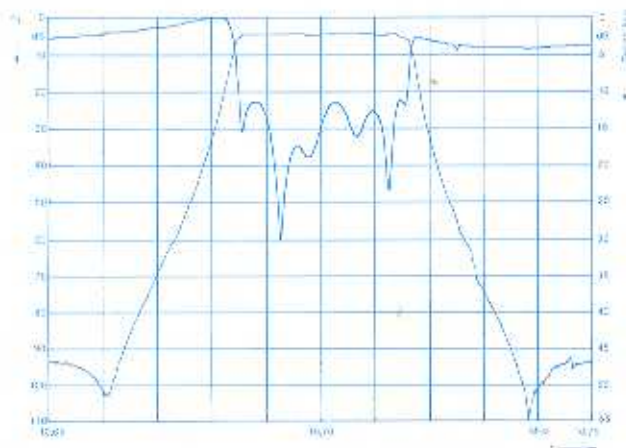


Fig. 1 Insertion and return loss of a crystal filter.

attenuation curves can be readily output on an XY recorder (Figs. 1 and 2). The start and stop frequencies and maximum and minimum levels set on the ESH 3 define the recorder writing area. The frequency axis can be either linear or logarithmic. VDE/FTZ/MIL or the user's own chart paper can be used.

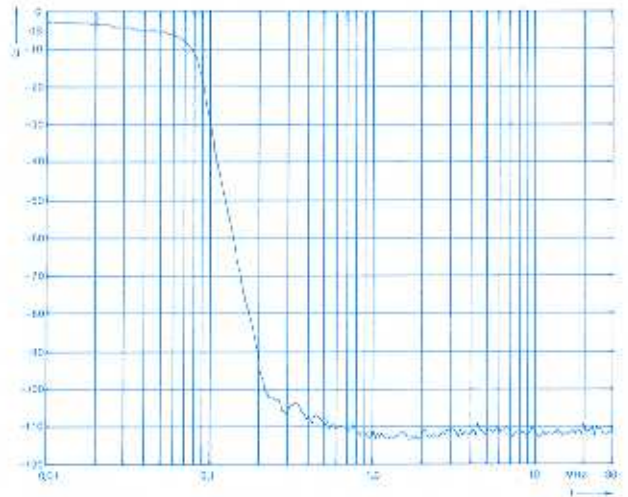


Fig. 2 Attenuation curve of a low-pass filter.

**Remote control.** The **IEC(IEEE)-bus interface** is provided with all standard listener and talker capabilities. The capabilities of commercially available controllers (Fig. 3) have, however, also been taken into consideration, i.e. it is also possible, for example, to use controllers without serial and parallel poll capabilities.

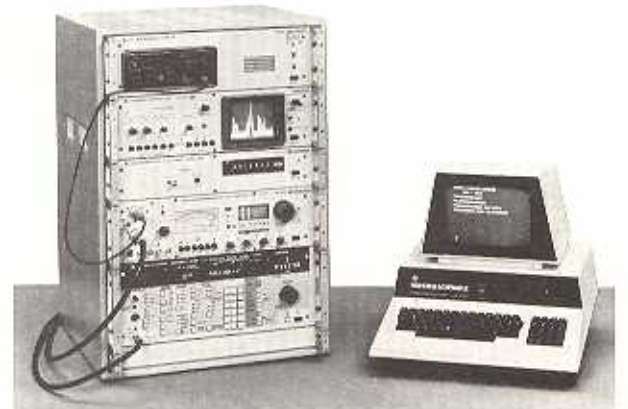


Fig. 3 Automatic test system for 9 kHz to 1000 MHz, measurement range  $-30$  ( $-10$ ) to  $+137 \text{ dB}\mu\text{V}$ , consisting of Test Receiver ESH 3 (at bottom), Programmable VHF-UHF Test Equipment MSUP, and Process Controller PPC.



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## Interface functions:

**Device Clear** resets all functions to a predefined state.

**Device Trigger** starts test run at exactly defined time.

**Local Lockout** disables the front panel during automatic test run.

**Talk-Only Mode** outputs measured data without using a controller.

**Interference measurements.** In the field of interference measurements the ESH 3 offers considerable advantages over earlier test receivers, featuring programmable automatic frequency scanning and data logging with **direct control** of a printer or XY recorder. The following accessories are available for measuring interference voltages, currents and field strengths to the applicable standards (CISPR, VDE, MIL, VG, FCC):

RF Current Probe	ESH 2-Z1
Active Probe	ESH 2-Z2
Passive Probe <sup>1)</sup>	ESH 2-Z3
Artificial Mains Network (LISN) (9 kHz to 30 MHz) <sup>2)</sup>	ESH 2-Z5
Rod Antenna	HFH 2-Z1
Loop Antenna	HFH 2-Z2
Inductive Probe	HFH 2-Z4

(See also Accessories for Programmable Test Receiver ESH 3, Data sheet 303 203.)



Fig. 4 Automatic measurement of interference voltage with programmed phase switchover (Test Receiver ESH 3, Printer PUD, XY Recorder ZSKT, Artificial Mains Network (LISN) ESH 2-Z5, Process Controller PPC, and Code Converter PCW). Door to test item open for demonstration purposes.

As interference in the frequency range 9 kHz to 30 MHz is mainly propagated along lines (conducted), interference voltage and current measurements are of major importance (Figs. 4 to 6). In addition to data logging on a printer or XY recorder the ESH 3 offers the following advantages for measuring interference:

- Probe or test antenna conversion factor automatically taken into consideration and indication of appropriate physical unit
- Bandwidth correction factor automatically taken into consideration when measuring pulse spectral density to MIL and VG standards; readout of measured data in  $\text{dB}\mu\text{V}/\text{MHz}$ ,  $\text{dB}\mu\text{A}/\text{MHz}$  and  $\text{dB}\mu\text{V}/\text{m} \cdot \text{MHz}$

<sup>1)</sup> To VDE 0576 regulation.

<sup>2)</sup> To VDE 0576 regulation, CISPR Publ. 3 and FCC requirements.

- Peak-value indication with programmable hold time for broadband interference measurements to MIL and VG standards
- Average-value indication with programmable integration time for measuring narrowband interference
- CISPR indicating mode with determination of peak value within programmed measuring time
- Programmable measuring times ensuring optimum adaptation of automatic measurements to time-dependent variations of the interference
- Automatic selection of weighting to CISPR depending on frequency (CISPR 3 for 9 to 149.9 kHz and CISPR 1 for 0.15 to 30 MHz)
- 60-dB operating range: ideal for measurements to MIL and VG standards
- 20-dB operating range: for measurements to CISPR, automatic selection of measurement range and consideration of CISPR settling times ensuring error-free measurements
- Selectable logarithmic frequency scale for data output on XY recorder, permitting direct recording of measured data on tolerance charts

Since the characteristic of broadband noise spectra is a continuous curve, frequency scanning in constant linear or logarithmic steps is possible and appropriate. Each single value, especially with CISPR weighting, is measured with due consideration of the overall settling time (charging and discharging time constant, time constant of low-pass filter simulating meter response).

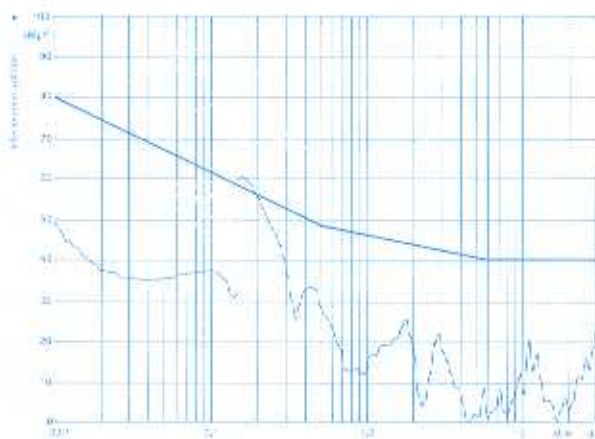


Fig. 5 Interference voltage of commercial desk-top calculator, measured in conjunction with Artificial Mains Network (LISN) ESH 2-Z5 (indicating mode: CISPR). Tolerance curve to FTZ regulation 529/1970 (limit levels for general approval).

Besides these final measurements, the ESH 3 in conjunction with the Active and the Passive Probe, RF Current Probe and Inductive Probe is also suitable for **investigating noise sources** and testing suppression measures. The generator output of the ESH 3 permits **attenuation measurements on two-port networks** up to 110 dB so that the effectiveness of RF cable screens and other shieldings, and the attenuation of interference suppression filters can be measured.



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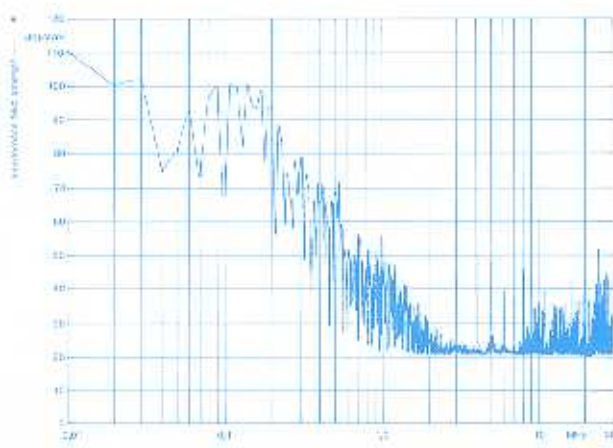


Fig. 6 Interference field strength of a commercial desk-top calculator, measured in conjunction with Loop Antenna HFH 2-22 in a screened room at 1 m from test item (indicating mode: average value, IF bandwidth: 10 kHz, step size 10 kHz).

**Radiomonitoring.** Its outstanding RF characteristics, such as high setting accuracy, high overload capacity and overall selectivity, selectable IF bandwidths and demodulation modes, the wide range of available test antennas and recorders as well as programmability make the ESH 3 suitable for all radiomonitoring tasks including remote frequency measurement, recording of frequency band occupancy and propagation and coverage measurements. It offers the following possibilities:

- Graphic representation of field strength of selected frequency bands either in form of a line spectrum or as a continuous curve on an XY recorder plus output of measured field-strength level and; for example, of modulation depth on a printer (Figs 7 to 11).

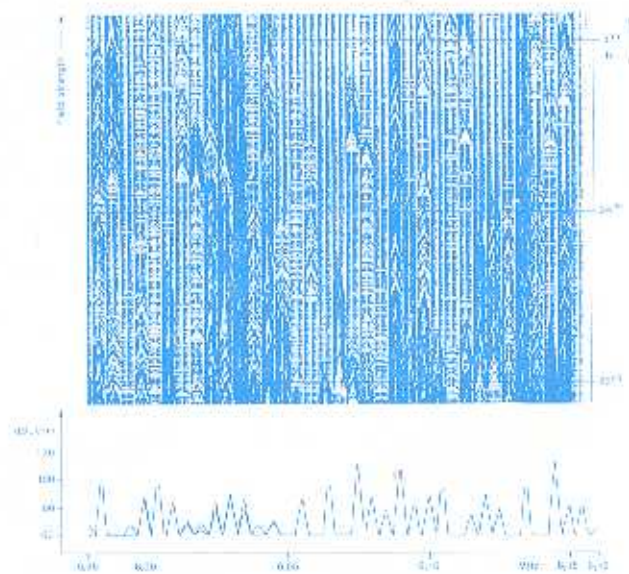


Fig. 7 Recording of 49-m band on Recorder ZSKT; XYT representation (above) and XY representation (below).

STRT 0.5400MHz  
STOP 1.6020MHz  
STEP 0.0090MHz  
MAX 120.0dB\*  
MIN 40.0dB\*

SF 11: dB\*  
SF 21: m  
SF 50: SINGLE  
SF 52: LINSTEP  
SF 60: X-LIN  
SF 71: DISCRET

0.5490MHz	55.9dBuV/m	75%
0.5760MHz	59.6dBuV/m	70%
0.5940MHz	46.5dBuV/m	25%
0.6390MHz	53.6dBuV/m	9%
0.6660MHz	57.6dBuV/m	81%
0.7200MHz	72.7dBuV/m	86%
0.7560MHz	50.0dBuV/m	13%
0.8010MHz	108.4dBuV/m	37%
1.0170MHz	44.0dBuV/m	95%
1.0260MHz	50.5dBuV/m	40%
1.0440MHz	46.6dBuV/m	71%
1.1070MHz	101.3dBuV/m	68%
1.1970MHz	94.9dBuV/m	4%
1.4220MHz	53.1dBuV/m	61%
1.5390MHz	52.8dBuV/m	54%

Fig. 8 Printout of automatic frequency scan over medium-wave range (ESH 3 in Talk-Only Mode, Universal Printer PUD with IEC(IEEE)-bus interface in Listen-Only Mode).

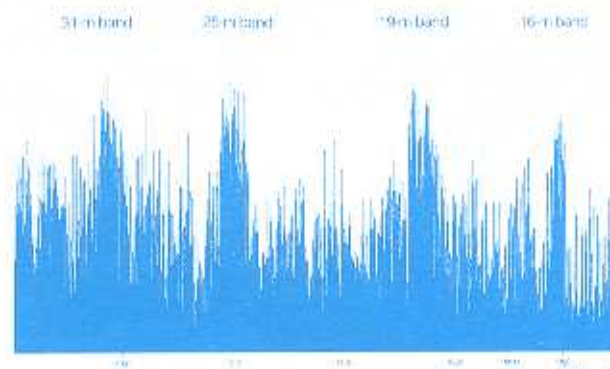
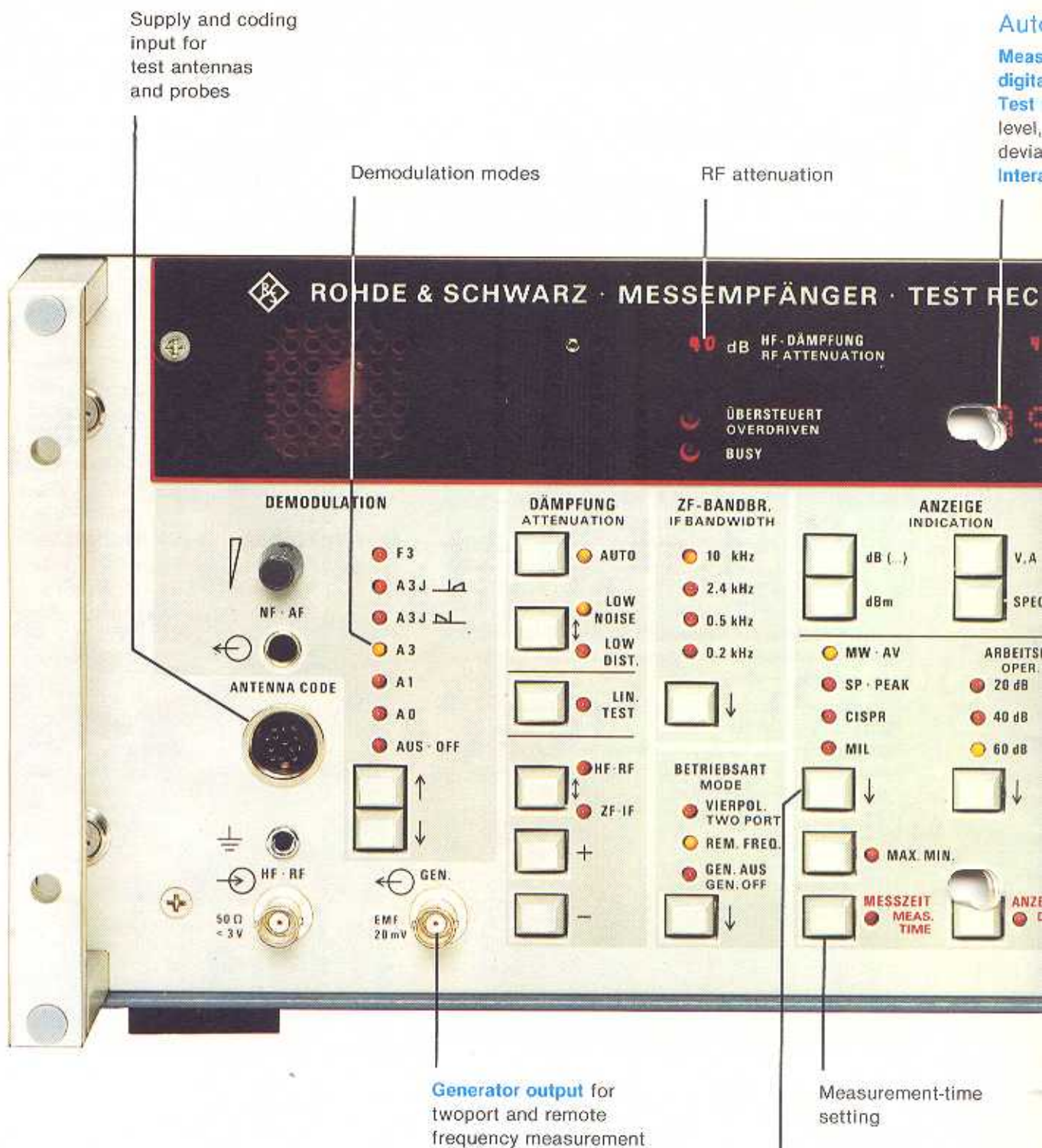


Fig. 9 Line spectrum of short-wave range (sound broadcasting bands clearly recognizable).

- Measurement of range of variation of field-strength level within a preset measuring time (1 to 1000 s).
- Recording of field strength as a function of time on YT recorder (Fig. 14), for example, on board a helicopter to determine the horizontal and vertical radiation patterns of transmitting antennas.

Examples of applications continued on page 8.

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## Indicating modes

- average value
- peak value
- CISPR
- pulse spectral density



# FRONT PANEL DETAILS

## Frequency range and display

### Stored data:

complete with unit

### Parameters:

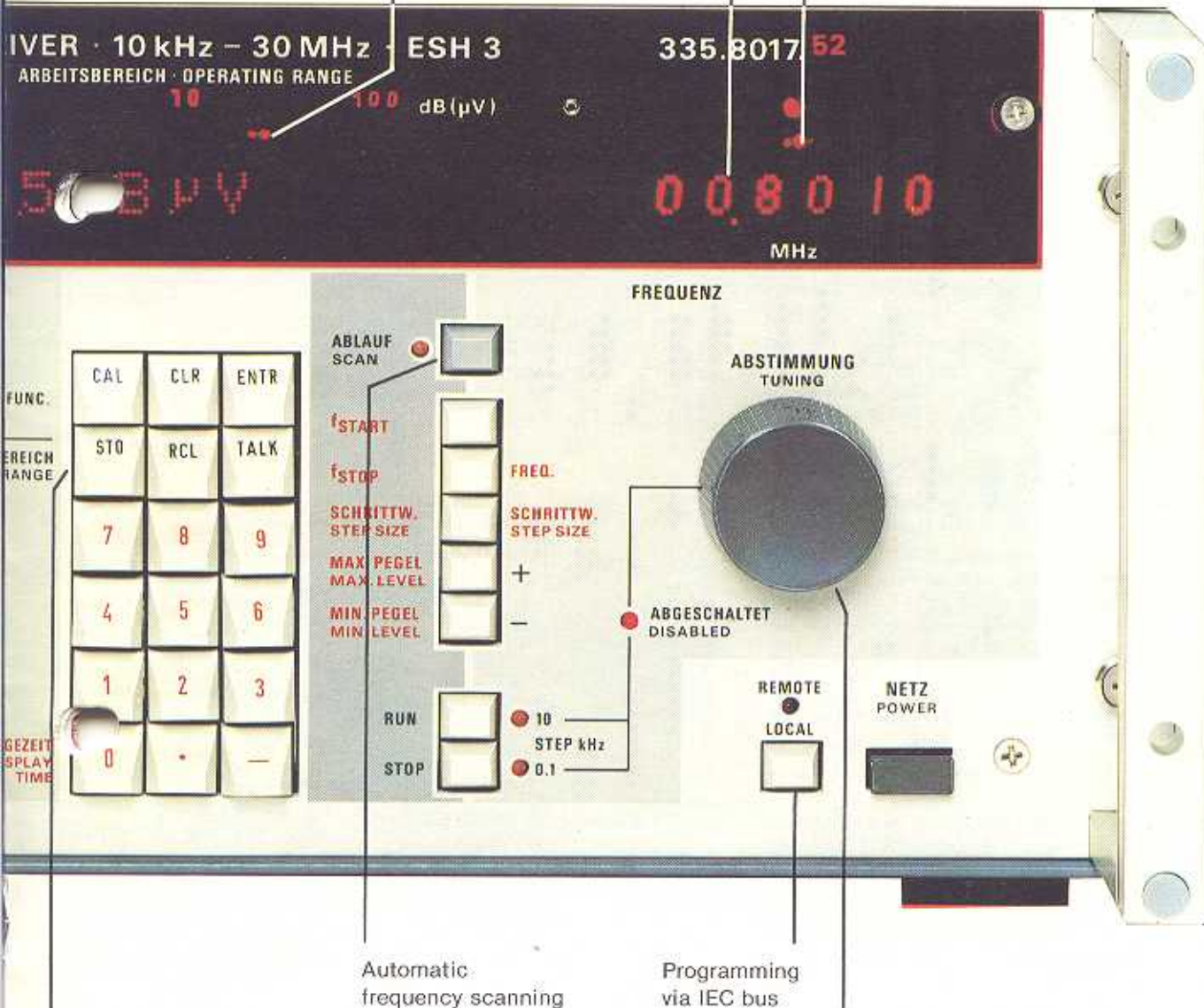
frequency offset, frequency  
on, modulation depth or gain

### Frequency data entry

Analog indication  
of measured data  
with range limits

Digital frequency display

Analog frequency-offset indication



Automatic  
frequency scanning

Programming  
via IEC bus

Storage of 9 complete  
device settings

## Frequency setting

- with rotary knob
- in preset steps
- numerical entry via keyboard
- automatic frequency scanning with  
preset start and stop frequencies

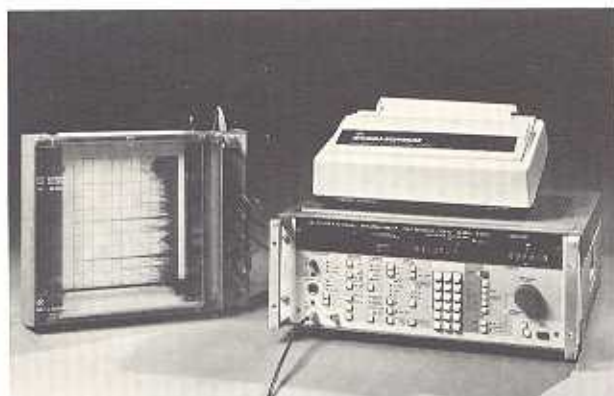


Fig. 10 XYT Recorder ZSKT, Test Receiver ESH 3 and Universal Printer PUD.

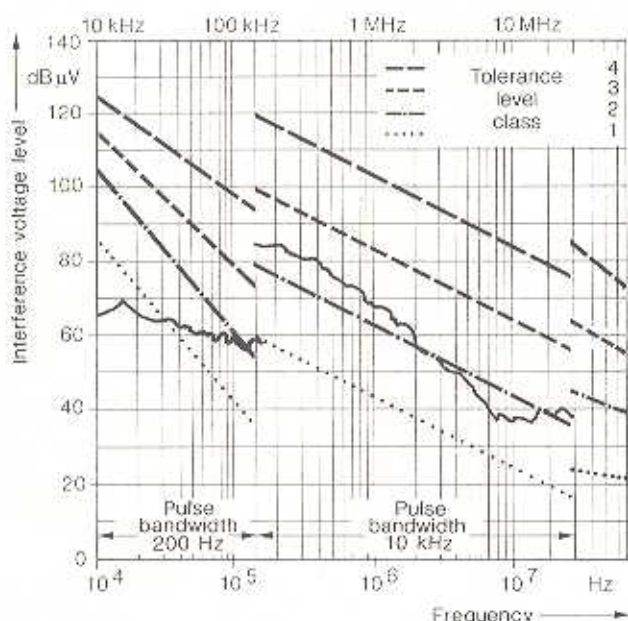


Fig. 11 Broadband interference (peak value) measured with the ESH 3 and plotted on VG chart paper on XY recorder.

- **Recording of frequency-band occupancy** as a function of time on the Radiomonitoring Recorder ZSG 3. When the signal level exceeds the preset threshold level (= MIN. LEVEL) the recorder traces a dash (Fig. 12). The ESH 3 can drive up to five Radiomonitoring Recorders ZSG 3 in a sequential cycle (Fig. 13).

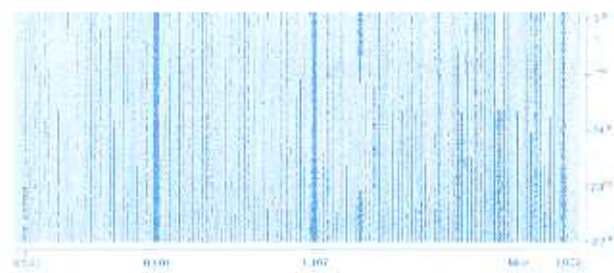


Fig. 12 Frequency-band occupancy over medium-wave band plotted on Radiomonitoring Recorder ZSG 3.

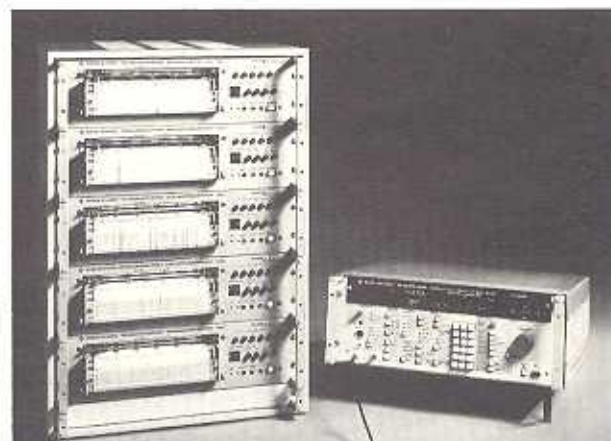


Fig. 13 ESH 3 with five Radiomonitoring Recorders ZSG 3 for scanning five different frequency bands and plotting the band occupancy.

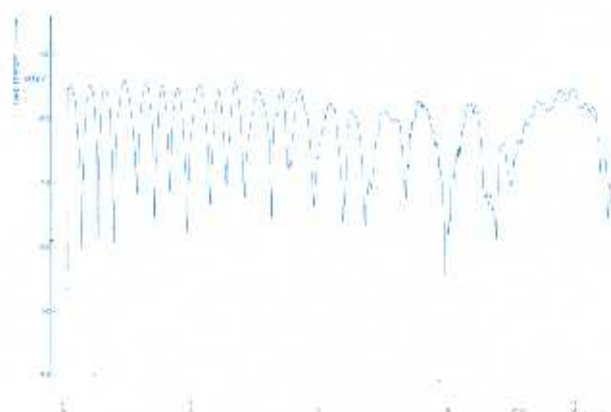


Fig. 14 Automatic plotting of field-strength fluctuations on YT recorder at a constant frequency (8.075 MHz); the scale of the Y axis is determined by entering the MAX. and MIN. levels.

- **Programmed frequency scanning** by the ESH 3 reduces the quantity of measured data: only the signal levels above the threshold level and the corresponding frequencies are transferred to the computer.

For all cases where speed is at a premium and the work of the IEC(IEEE)-bus controller is to be minimized the IEC-bus interface of the ESH 3 offers the following possibilities:

The controller instructs each connected ESH 3 to constantly scan a certain frequency range and if the threshold level is exceeded to either

issue a **Service Request** in reply to which the controller identifies the ESH 3 that is calling by way of a **Serial Poll** and accepts the measured data,

or to answer a **Parallel Poll** of the controller.

It therefore depends on the controller capabilities whether or not the ESH 3 can be used to full advantage.



The front panel of the ESH 3 has been laid out with an eye to **logical organization and intelligibility of the controls, displays, and engravings**. All settings are indicated by LEDs.

Operator errors cause the following responses: When an inhibited key is pressed the LED of the function causing the inhibit blinks; when the operating range of the demodulator is exceeded or essential stages are overdriven (cw or by pulses) the data readout blinks; when illegal data are input or an essential module fails, a coded error message appears and an aural signal comes on. The end of measurements that have been carried out over an extended period of time is also signalled aurally.



Fig. 15 Front-panel frequency display and alphanumeric display for readout of measured data, input and output of setting data and output of error messages.

The 13-digit alphanumeric display (Fig. 15) on the one hand **outputs the measured data complete with units** and on the other hand permits checking the formatted input of setting data. Since these data cannot all be read out at the same time, they can be called up for indication at the push of a key.

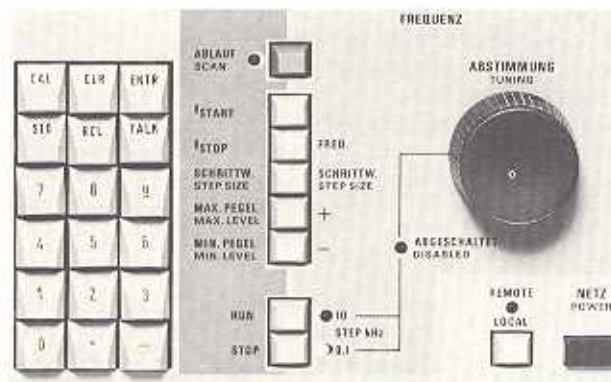


Fig. 16 Front-panel controls for frequency entry and scanning.

The battery-buffered memory of the ESH 3 stores the last and nine more complete device settings. In addition, it stores all correction values for frequency response, IF bandwidths, and demodulator characteristics obtained in an automatic calibration procedure. As a result, full accuracy is ensured at all times and the measuring times in automatic operation are considerably reduced.

**Frequency setting** is possible in several ways, calibrated offset indication being provided as a tuning aid (Fig. 16):

- quasi-continuous in 100-Hz or 10-kHz (switch-selected) steps by means of a rotary knob;
- in steps of any preset size, e. g. in 9-kHz steps, or in steps of the fundamental frequency for measuring harmonics;

- direct keyboard entry of a numerical value;
- automatic frequency scanning over maximum of five sub-ranges with programmable start and stop frequencies and step sizes.

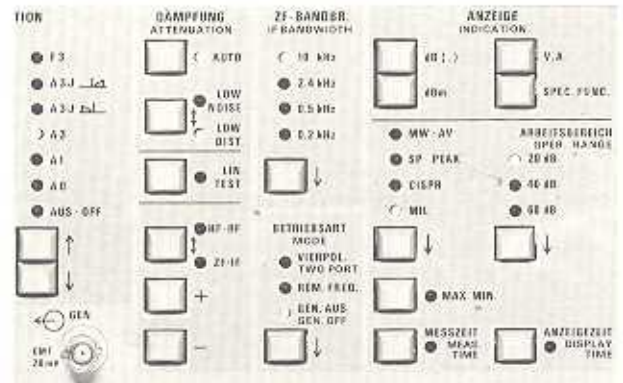


Fig. 17 Front-panel controls for indication, IF bandwidths, modes, attenuation, and demodulation.

**Range selection** for level measurements can be made either manually by separate setting of the RF and IF attenuation (Fig. 17) or by automatic RF attenuation setting (autoranging) with the low-noise or low-distortion IF attenuation setting determined by the selected IF bandwidth and indicating mode. In addition, a 1-dB RF attenuator is provided for a **linearity test**.

**Conversion factors for probes and test antennas.** The use of probes and test antennas with the ESH 3 does not cause additional work for the user when making measurements, since the correct units are automatically switched in and the conversion factors for probes and test antennas taken into consideration. Reading errors are thus rare.

**Three demodulator operating ranges.** Three demodulator operating ranges covering 20, 40 or 60 dB are provided to meet the measurement needs. **Automatic attenuation setting** (autoranging) is effected in 10-, 20- or 30-dB steps depending on the operating range.

**Level indication.** The operating range also determines the dynamic range of the analog level indication, which consists of an array of 31 LEDs. The range limits of this analog indication and the RF attenuation setting are digitally displayed.

**Calibration.** By either momentarily pressing the CAL key or holding it down, two different calibration processes can be triggered:

1. Adjustment of IF gain and frequency offset to the nominal value a receiver frequency of 1 MHz and subsequent verification of the level measurement at the original frequency.
2. Measurement and storage in non-volatile memory of all calibration correction values that are constant over a long period of time: frequency response, gain differences with different IF bandwidths and demodulator linearity.



## DESCRIPTION

**Operating principle.** The Test Receiver ESH 3 is a triple heterodyne receiver with the following features:

**RF attenuator**, switchable in 10-dB steps from 0 to 140 dB; a 1-dB attenuator for linearity tests.

**Diode mixer of high linearity** following 16 switchable band-pass filters without amplifier to achieve an extremely wide dynamic range.

**IF bandwidth**, switch-selected: 0.2 kHz, 0.5 kHz, 2.4 kHz and 10 kHz.

**Signal evaluation** with average- and peak-value indication, pulse weighting to CISPR Publ. 1 and 3.

**Measuring times**, programmable, 5 ms to 100 s, for ready adaptation to measurement needs.

**"MIL" indicating mode**, peak-value indication, with IF bandwidth correction values automatically taken into consideration, for measuring broadband interference.

**MAX-MIN indicating mode**, measurement of range of variation of input signal in a sequence of programmable length, consisting of individual measurements of 100 ms duration each.

**Display period**, separately programmable; ensuring that signals exceeding a programmed threshold are indicated long enough during automatic frequency scanning.

**Mixer oscillators** based on synthesizer principle.

**Up-conversion 1st IF (75 MHz) with 10-kHz crystal filter** - minimizing intermodulation risk and easing the pulse linearity requirements on the succeeding stages.

**2nd IF at 9 MHz** with crystal filters for 0.5 and 2.4 kHz bandwidth and adjustable gain for calibration purposes.

**3rd IF at 30 kHz** with **attenuator switchable** in 10-dB steps from 0 to 40 dB and a mechanical 200-Hz filter; linear IF gain for 20-dB operating range and logarithmizing IF amplifier for 40- and 60-dB operating ranges.

**Active demodulator** with switch-selected CISPR weighting and peak-value measurement; circuits for measuring modulation depth.

**Demodulator circuits** for FM and A3; BFO for A0, A1 and A3J (upper and lower sideband); automatic IF gain control for all AM demodulators; built-in loudspeaker; FM demodulator also used as signal source for frequency offset and deviation measurements.

**Calibration generator** with high-stability sinewave source (tracking generator) and pulse generator for CISPR calibrations.

The test voltage is applied via a sample-and-hold circuit to a **10-bit A/D converter** with a conversion time of about 25  $\mu$ s. The combination of microprocessor + A/D converter permits 64 measurements in 5 ms, perfect digital averaging being provided even at the maximum IF bandwidth of 10 kHz. Digital averaging does away with the settling time required with analog low-pass filters. Thus autoranging is possible in a minimum of time.

The measured value is converted into a level value, then RF and IF attenuation, all calibration correction values and any conversion factors for probes or test antennas are added before it is read out with the correct units on the alphanumeric display and output to the IEC (IEEE) bus, if required.

**Construction. Modular construction** - almost all modules are exchangeable independent of each other, the RF modules are of modern cassette design - and the signature analysis capability and provision of firmware test routines make the ESH 3 very easy to service. Low internal heating of the receiver reduces the failure rate of component parts.



Frequency range	9 kHz to 29,999.9 MHz
Frequency setting	1. in 100-Hz or 10-kHz steps (switch-selected) by means of tuning knob 2. keyboard entry of numerical value 3. in steps of any preset size 4. automatic scanning
Readout	6-digit LED display
Resolution	100 Hz
Setting accuracy <sup>1)</sup>	from 10 to 150 kHz ..... to within 100 Hz from 150 kHz to 30 MHz ..... to within 500 Hz
RF input	$Z_{in} = 50 \Omega$ , BNC female
VSWR	< 1.2 with RF attenuation $\geq 10$ dB < 2 with RF attenuation 0 dB
Oscillator radiation	< 0 dB $\mu$ V

Input filter	
Range	1. 9 to < 150 kHz band-pass filter 2. 150 to < 200 kHz 3. 200 to < 280 kHz 4. 280 to < 390 kHz 5. 390 to < 540 kHz 6. 540 to < 750 kHz 7. 0.75 to < 1.05 MHz 8. 1.05 to < 1.45 MHz 9. 1.45 to < 2.0 MHz 10. 2.0 to < 2.7 MHz 11. 2.7 to < 3.7 MHz 12. 3.7 to < 5.2 MHz 13. 5.2 to < 7.2 MHz 14. 7.2 to < 10 MHz 15. 10 to < 20 MHz 16. 20 to < 30 MHz
	sub-octave filters
	tracking filters

Maximum input level with  
RF attenuation 0 dB ..... 130 dB $\mu$ V  
RF attenuation  $\geq 10$  dB ..... 137 dB $\mu$ V  
Maximum pulse energy with  
RF attenuation  $\geq 20$  dB ..... 1 mW

## Interference immunity, non-linearities

Image frequency rejection ..... > 100 dB, typ. 120 dB  
IF rejection ..... > 100 dB, typ. 110 dB  
Non-linearities: a) frequency range 10 to 150 kHz  
( $\geq 40$  kHz off carrier)  
b) frequency range 150 kHz to 30 MHz

Type	Signal level dB $\mu$ V	Intermod. ratio dB	Intercept point guaranteed dBm	typical dBm
a) $k_2$	100	> 55	+30	+45
$d_2$	100	> 50	+25	+40
$d_3$	90	> 65	+15	+20
b) $k_2$	100	> 80	+75	+100
$d_2$	100	> 60	+55	+75
$d_3$	100	> 52	+20	+25

## Crossmodulation

An interference signal of  $m = 30\%$  and  $f = 1$  kHz spaced > 100 kHz away produces 3% spurious modulation of 20-dB $\mu$ V signal at a level of ..... > 100 dB $\mu$ V

## RF leakage

Difference in reading with  
field strength 10 V/m ( $f = f_{in}$ ) ..... < 1 dB

## Radio interference (EMI) from

Internal microcomputer, etc. .... below VDE 0876 tolerance limits

## Intermediate frequencies

1st IF ..... 75 MHz  
2nd IF ..... 9 MHz  
3rd IF ..... 30 kHz

## IF bandwidths (average and peak value)

Nominal bandwidth	3-dB bandwidth	6-dB bandwidth	6:60 dB ratio
	( $\pm 10\%$ )		
200 Hz <sup>2)</sup>	160 Hz <sup>3)</sup>	200 Hz	approx. 1:5
500 Hz	550 Hz <sup>3)</sup>	630 Hz	approx. 1:5
2.4 kHz	2.4 kHz	2.6 kHz	approx. 1:1.8
10 kHz	8 kHz <sup>3)</sup>	9.5 kHz	approx. 1:2.4
IF bandwidth (-6 dB) for measurements to CISPR (Publ. 1 and 3) and VDE 0875	0.2 kHz/9 kHz (automatically switched over)		

1) For greater setting accuracies, the ESH 3 has an input for an external reference frequency of 5 or 10 MHz.

2) The accuracy is reduced when measuring sine-wave signals at 200 Hz bandwidth (additional measuring error 1.5 dB) because the receiver is tuned in 100-Hz steps.

3)  $\pm 20\%$ .

## Internal noise $a$ ( $f_{in} > 50$ kHz)

Average value  $B = 200$  Hz ..... typ. -30 dB $\mu$ V  
Peak value  $B = 200$  Hz ..... typ. -22 dB $\mu$ V  
CISPR 1  $B = 9$  kHz ..... typ. -6 dB $\mu$ V  
CISPR 3  $B = 200$  Hz ..... typ. -28 dB $\mu$ V  
Pulse spectral density (MIL)  $B = 10$  kHz ..... typ. 38 dB( $\mu$ V/MHz)  
Increase in internal noise ..... see diagram  
( $f_{in} < 50$  kHz,  $B = 200$  Hz)



## Measurement ranges

Lower limit  
(3 dB above noise level) ..... see noise indication  
Upper limit ..... +137 dB $\mu$ V  
Inherent spurious responses ..... equivalent to < -6 dB $\mu$ V  
Indication  
digital in dB $\mu$ V, dBm ..... 4 digits, max.; resolution 0.1 dB  
in  $\mu$ V, mV, V ..... 3 digits  
analog ..... LED array (31 LEDs) over operating range of IF rectifier with digital indication of range limits

## Operating ranges of

IF rectifier ..... 20, 40, 60 dB

## Indication of measured data

Indicating modes ..... average value  
(programmable averaging time)  
peak value  
(programmable hold time)  
pulse spectral density to MIL  
(programmable hold time)  
CISPR Publ. 1 and 3  
(programmable measuring time)  
Programmable measuring times:  
5 ms to 100 s  
Measurement of maximum and minimum levels: the maximum and minimum levels are determined from individual measurements of 0.1 s duration each; programmable measuring time: 1 to 1000 s

## Measuring error

Error of level indication for unmodulated sine-wave signals  $\geq 16$  dB above the indicated noise level (AV) ..... < 1 dB  
Additional error over operating ranges 40 and 60 dB ..... typ. < 0.5 dB

## Level calibration

Average/peak value ..... tracking generator (sinewave)  
CISPR ..... pulse generator

## Error of analog level indication

Operating range 20 dB ..... typ. < 2 dB  
Operating ranges 40, 60 dB ..... typ. < 4 dB

## Frequency offset

Indication  
digital in kHz ..... 3 digits, resolution 0.01 kHz  
analog ..... LED array (16 LEDs)  
Measurement range ( $B = 10$  kHz) ..... -5 to +5 kHz  
Measuring error  
Centre frequency (calibrated) ..... < 0.1 kHz (without frequency setting error)  
Offset from centre frequency ..... < 10%

## Frequency deviation

(positive and negative peak deviation and average deviation)  
Digital indication in kHz ..... 3 digits, resolution 0.01 kHz  
Measurement range ..... 0.05 to 5 kHz  
(deviation +  $f_{mod} \approx B/10$  dB/2)  
Measuring error at S/N ratio > 40 dB ..... < 10%

## Modulation depth

(positive and negative peak value and average AM)  
Digital indication in % ..... 2 digits, resolution 1%  
Measurement range ..... about 2 to 99%  
Measuring error (IF attenuation = 40 dB and analog level indication in upper half of 20-dB operating range,  $f_{mod} \leq 1$  kHz at  $B/10$  kHz) ..... < 5 digits



# SPECIFICATIONS

<b>Gain</b>	
Digital indication in dB	4 digits, max.; resolution 0.1 dB
Measurement range	(-110) -100 to +57 dB
Absolute error	< 1 dB, typ. < 0.5 dB
<b>Demodulation modes</b>	A0, A1, A3, A3J, (LSB/USB), F3
<b>Remote control</b>	
Interface to IEC 625-1 (IEEE 488) for controlling all device functions and for data output	
Interface functions	AH1, L4, SH1, T5 SR1, PP1, DC1, DT1, RL1, C0
<b>Typical data rate in</b>	
Talker Mode	approx. 5 kbyte/s
Listener Mode	approx. 2 kbyte/s
<b>Setting times</b>	
Internal frequency	
in steps of 0.1 to 99 kHz	typ. 10 ms to 20 ms
when exceeding	
a 100-kHz digit	typ. 40 ms
RF level switch, internal	30 ms/step
Max. measuring time with	
R&S Process Controller PPC	
frequency step size $\leq 1$ kHz	
measuring time set on ESH 3	
5 ms	65 ms/measured value
Connector for remote control	24-way Amphenol female

## Front panel outputs

<b>Generator output</b>	
(can be switched off)	$Z_{out} = 50 \Omega$ , BNC female
EMF	86 dB $\mu$ V = 0.5 dB
<b>Connector for antenna supply</b>	
and coding AF output	12-way Tuchel female
AF output	$Z_{out} = 10 \Omega$ , telephone jack JK 34
EMF	adjustable up to 3.5 V

## Rear-panel outputs

<b>IF output 75 MHz</b>	
EMF	$Z_{out} = 50 \Omega$ , BNC female
	about 12 dB above input level
	with 0 dB RF attenuation
<b>Bandwidth</b>	
corresponds to RF bandwidth	
<b>IF output 30 kHz</b>	
EMF	$Z_{out} = 1 \text{ k}\Omega$ , BNC female
	0 to 2 V over range
<b>Bandwidth</b>	
corresponds to IF bandwidth	
<b>AM demodulator</b>	
EMF	$Z_{out} = 10 \text{ k}\Omega$ , BNC female
	1 V with $m = 100\%$
<b>FM demodulator</b>	
EMF	$Z_{out} = 10 \text{ k}\Omega$ , BNC female
	$\pm 0.5$ V with deviation = 5 kHz
<b>Frequency offset</b>	
EMF	$Z_{out} = 10 \text{ k}\Omega$ , BNC female
	$\pm 5$ V with offset = 5 kHz
<b>Analog level output 1</b>	
EMF (with AV, PEAK and MIL	$Z_{out} = 10 \text{ k}\Omega$ , BNC female
indicating mode)	
	0.5 to 5 V over range
	of analog level indication
<b>EMF (with CISPR indicating</b>	
mode)	
	0.2 to 2 V over range
	of analog level indication
<b>Analog level output 2</b>	
EMF (with CISPR indicating	$Z_{out} = 10 \text{ k}\Omega$ , BNC female
mode)	
	0.2 to 2 V over range
	of analog level indication
	(network for simulation of meter
	response with time constant to
	CISPR Publ. 1 and 3 provided)

<b>Recorder output</b>	
	24-way Amphenol female including
	coding inputs for recorder type D/A
	converted X and Y analog outputs
X =	0 V: start frequency
	+10 V: stop frequency
Y =	0 V: MIN level
	+10 V: MAX level
	pen lift control,
	low level corresponding to pen up
	formatted paper feed for ZSKT
	(high pulse, duration 10 ms)
	connection of 5 Radiomonitoring
	Recorders ZSG 3

## Rear-panel input

for external reference frequency	$Z_{in} = 50 \Omega$ , BNC female
Required level	EMF = 1 V from 50 $\Omega$ , sinewave
	source
Frequency	5/10 MHz (switch-selected)

## General Data

Operating temperature range	+5 to +45 °C
Storage temperature range	-25 to +70 °C <sup>1)</sup>
AC supply	115/125/220/235 V +10/-15 %, 47 to 440 Hz (70 VA)
Dimensions; weight	492 mm x 205 mm x 514 mm; 25 kg

## Ordering information

<b>Order designation</b>	► Test Receiver ESH 3 335.8017.52
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## Accessories supplied

Power cord	025.2365.00
Manual	

## Recommended extras (see also data sheet 303.203)

For interference measurements:	
Clamp-on RF Current Probe	ESH 2-Z1 ... 338.3516.52
(100 kHz to 30 MHz)	
Active Probe	ESH 2-Z2 ... 299.7210.52
(9 kHz to 30 MHz, high impedance)	
Passive Probe	ESH 2-Z3 ... 299.7810.52
(9 kHz to 30 MHz, VDE 0876)	
Artificial Mains Network (LISN)	ESH 2-Z5 ... 338.5219.52
(9 kHz to 150 kHz/30 MHz, VDE 0876)	
Attenuator (20 dB, 10 W)	ESH 2-Z11 ... 349.7518.52
For field-strength measurements:	
Rod Antenna	HFH 2-Z1 ... 335.3215.52
Loop Antenna	HFH 2-Z2 ... 335.4711.52
Loop Antenna	HFH 2-Z3 ... 335.6214.52
Tripod	HFU-Z ... 100.1114.02
Inductive Probe	HFH 2-Z4 ... 338.3016.52
Auxiliary equipment:	
Headphones	110.2959.00
Service Kit	ESH 2-Z7 ... 338.4112.02
XYT Recorder	ZSKT ... 301.9010.02
Connecting Cable	
ESH 3 - ZSKT(XY)	ESH 3-Z1 ... 349.6011.02
Radiomonitoring Recorder	ZSG 3 ... 242.6015.92
Universal Printer	PUD ... 349.8914.02
IEC (IEEE) Interface Option	PUD-B4 ... 349.9404.02
Frequency counter for remote frequency measurements, sensitivity	
better than 10 mV into 50 $\Omega$ , such as PM6615/04 from Philips	
Sinewave inverter for operating the ESH 3 from a 12-V battery, such as	
SWR 200 from Audiotechnik, Bad Salzungen	

<sup>1)</sup> The receiver uses a NiCd storage battery for buffer operation of the CMOS RAMs. It should, therefore, not be stored at ambient temperatures above +50 °C over an extended period of time.



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