Arbin Instruments

Regenerative Module & Battery Pack Testing Solutions

BT-MP

Regenerative testing system with comprehensive safety features and a wide range of options designed specially for module and battery pack testing.

SERIES	VOLTAGE	CURRENT
BT-MP-60	12V to 60V	Up to 900A
BT-MP-100	15V to 100V	Up to 1200A
BT-MP-150	20V to 150V	Up to 400A



The Arbin BT-MP series is a high precision testing solution designed for testing modules and small packs of batteries and/or supercapacitors. The regenerative power circuitry within the system allows power to be sent back to the grid, providing a more economical testing solution. Today's applications like electric vehicles and military technologies demand high-reliability and safe testing environments, so the dependability, accuracy, and safety of these systems are core standards. A full range of optional customizations allow users to create a complete testing package that ideally suits their needs.

Key Features

- Designed for Battery Pack and Modules up to 150 Volts or 900 Amps
- Multiple Independent Galvanostat Test Channels
- Real-Time Test Monitoring Including Arbin's Integrated Watchdog Circuitry
- Smart Communication Protocols (CAN-Bus / SMBus)
- Drive Cycle Simulation (USABC, FUDS, etc.)
- Temperature Chamber Integration
- Monitor Tests and Plot Data in Real-Time
- On-the-Fly Modifications Allows for Longer Uninterrupted Testing



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Product Description

- Systems arrive pre-calibrated and ready to use. The included PC comes pre-loaded with our software so no installation is required. The color quick-start guide and online library of video tutorials make it easy for new and experienced users to start performing tests on day one upon receiving the equipment.
- Each channel features independent programmable control of current, voltage, load, and power with industry leading accuracy at 0.05% FSR and 16 bit resolution.
- Arbin's advanced software package, MITS Pro, provides flexible scheduling, user-friendly interface, distributed system control, and data acquisition.
- Simulate a complex dynamic testing profile directly from a data text file without needing to write a complicated program.
- Independent hardware-based voltage clamp applied on each channel at user defined value. Voltage clamp may be utilized during a constant current (CC) to constant voltage (CV) transition, which is critically important with Lithium chemistries.
- Arbin is able to provide a Total Package Solution by integrating with 3rd party hardware such as temperature chambers, external chargers, and more. Our open collaboration allows Arbin to work with the 3rd party manufacturer of your choosing.

Applications

Arbin's BT-MP test systems are designed for precise testing of small EV/HEV battery modules and other medium power modules/packs. The BT-MP test units utilize regenerative circuitry for efficient testing of on any application including Lithium, NiMH, Fuel Cells and Super Capacitors.

One common application of Arbin's BT-MP test system is in the development and testing of battery modules for micro-hybrid systems. Micro-hybrid applications are gaining attention worldwide because they offer meaningful fuel economy gains for modest incremental cost. The sales of vehicles equipped with micro-hybrid (start-stop) technology is expected to increase nearly tenfold over the next 10 years.

The BT-MP will provide years of efficient and reliable testing for developing energy storage systems for micro-hybrid and other medium power applications.

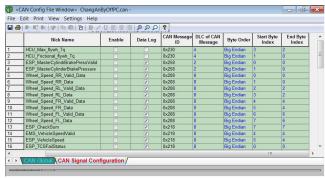


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Optional Features

Arbin offers CAN-Bus Communication for our EVTS systems that can be used to test battery packs with integrated Battery Management Systems (BMS). The Arbin CAN-Bus device supports reading, writing, and sending CAN messages, logging, monitoring, setting, controlling, and protecting the battery pack. For example, if over-voltage occurs the BMS protects the battery from operating outside of safe limits. The CAN-Bus communicates this valuable information to Arbin's MITS Pro software and the EVTS tester before causing damage to the battery. Arbin follows the standard CAN-Bus specification such as SAE J1939 protocol, CANopen or even user-defined protocols, With Arbin's CAN-Bus, there is no third party equipment, 3rd party DLL package or 3rd party licenses' needed to operate.



MITS Pro allows users to create custom CAN definitions, monitor CAN data in real-time, and export data for analysis through Arbin's Data Watcher software

- Digital input/output relay option is commonly used for triggering external conditions such as turning on or off an external charger or providing a trigger for a chamber door or other third party hardware. Available in TTL and Relay.
- Analog input/output module option is designed to measure and control third party devices that use a 0-10V control signal. The Analog I/O board offers control with closed loop (PID) or open loop communication depending on the application.
- Optional auxiliary voltage measurement channels are available to measure cell voltage in a multi-cell battery pack or to measure the reference electrode voltage in a multielectrode setup. The value of voltage can be recorded in the results file or used to further control the experiment.
- Optional auxiliary temperature measurement channels can measure the temperature at any point in the setup using either a thermocouple module (type E, J, K, or T) or a thermistor module. The value of temperature can be recorded in the results file and/or used to further control the experiment.
- Arbin's temperature chamber interface option (MTCI) allows the system to communicate with a third-party temperature chamber controller during testing. The MTCI module tells the chamber controller what temperature set-point to use during each test step, allowing the user to program automatic temperature profiles in their tests.
- Arbin's Remote Monitoring software can be used to access and view test stations connected to the network. The Remote Desktop connection allows users to connect to all systems in the laboratory and one-by-one view the real time running tests.



Available auxiliary chassis allows connectivity for auxiliary temperature and voltage measurements as well as analog input/output modules for interaction and control of third party devices.

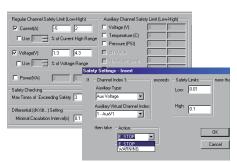
Safety Features

All Arbin test stations are designed and manufactured based on industry regulations and arrive CE certified. The Arbin system includes an array of safety features that protect the user, the devices under test, and the test station.

The system itself is secure internally to protect from unintentional misuse. The system is equipped with an emergency stop button and multiple levels of fusing are provided inside the system for protections at the channel/board and power supply level. Arbin's Watchdog circuit monitors the machine's internal communication between the PC and onboard microcontrollers and will stop all tests if there is a failure that poses a risk. A light tower array is used to visually alert the user to potential problems and the PC can be programmed to sound an audible alarm.







- The user is able to implement safety limits in the software for current, voltage, total power, as well as temperature or other auxiliary readings. These values can be programmed to send the system into a rest state for a period of time, or simply stop the test and disconnect the charge/discharge circuitry. There are separate limits available for each test schedule as a whole, and individual steps within the test schedule.
- A Redundant Safety System can be provided to independently monitor the devices under test, and can disconnect the device if a safety setting has been exceeded. Safety is the highest priority when testing high power devices, and Arbin's Redundant Safety System provides an additional safety system, independent of the Arbin hardware and software, to ensure a safe testing environment. The system has the ability to monitor current, voltage, and temperature. If any user-defined safety settings are reached, the device under test will be disconnected from the Arbin test channel. A hardware interlock can also be provided with this system to completely power off the Arbin test station.
- The reliability of testing can be increased even further by adding a smart UPS to the controlling PC. This will allow tests to automatically resume after a brief power failure if they are in a safe condition and permits user intervention in the process. There is provision for the user to intervene if desired before the channels resume. This is an essential component for any user with an unreliable power source unless the entire facility is on backup power.



Hardware Specifications

MODEL	60V-150A	60V-300A	60V-450A
Voltage Range Provided		12V to 60V	
0.1% Full Scale Accuracy		± 120mV	
Voltage and Current Resolution		16 bit	
Current Ranges Provided	High: 150A ± 300mA	High: 300A ± 600mA	High: 450A ± 900mA
0.1% Full Scale Accuracy	Low: 25A ± 50mA	Low: 25A ± 50mA	Low: 25A ± 50mA
Minimum V at Maximum Current	12V @ 150A	12V @ 300A	12V @ 450A
Total System Power	36kW	36kW	54kW
Number of Test Channels	4	2	2
Chassis Size (W x D x H)	31" X 38" X 77"	31" X 38" X 77"	31" X 38" X 77"

MODEL	60V-600A	60V-900A	
Voltage Range Provided	12V to	o 60V	
0.1% Full Scale Accuracy	± 120mV		
Voltage and Current Resolution	16 bit		
Current Ranges Provided	High: 600A ± 1.2A	High: 900A ± 1.8A	
0.1% Full Scale Accuracy	Low: 100A ± 200mA	Low: 100A ± 200mA	
Minimum V at Maximum Current	12V @ 600A	12V @ 900A	
Total System Power	36kW	54kW	
Number of Test Channels	1 1		
Chassis Size (W x D x H)	31" X 38" X 77"	31" X 38" X 77"	



Hardware Specifications

MODEL	100V-100A	100V-150A	100V-200A	100V-200A
Voltage Range Provided		15V to 100V		
0.1% Full Scale Accuracy		± 20	OOmV	
Voltage and Current Resolution		16 bit		
Current Ranges Provided	High: 100A ± 200mA	High: 150A ± 300mA	High: 200A ± 400mA	High: 200A ± 400mA
0.1% Full Scale Accuracy	Low: 25A ± 50mA			
Minimum V at Maximum Current	15V @ 100A	15V @ 150A	15V @ 200A	15V @ 200A
Total System Power	40kW	60kW	40kW	60kW
Number of Test Channels	4	4	2	3
Chassis Size (W x D x H)	31" X 38" X 77"			

MODEL	100V-300A	100V-400A	100V-600A	
Voltage Range Provided	15V to 100V			
0.1% Full Scale Accuracy		± 200mV		
Voltage and Current Resolution	16 bit			
Current Ranges Provided	High: 300A ± 600mA	High: 400A ± 800mA	High: 600A ± 1.2A	
0.1% Full Scale Accuracy	Low: 25A ± 50mA	Low: 25A ± 50mA	Low: 100A ± 200mA	
Minimum V at Maximum Current	15V @ 300A	15V @ 400A	15V @ 600A	
Total System Power	60kW	40kW	60kW	
Number of Test Channels	2	1	1	
Chassis Size (W x D x H)	31" X 38" X 77"	31" X 38" X 77"	31" X 38" X 77"	

Hardware Specifications

MODEL	100V-600A	100V-1000A	100V-1200A	
Voltage Range Provided	15V to 100V			
0.1% Full Scale Accuracy		± 200mV		
Voltage and Current Resolution		16 bit		
Current Ranges Provided 0.1% Full Scale Accuracy	High: 600A ± 1.2A Low: 25A ± 50mA	High: 1000A ± 2A	High: 1200A ± 2.4A Low: 100A ± 200mA	
Minimum V at Maximum Current	15V @ 600A	15V @ 1000A	15V @ 1200A	
Total System Power	120kW	100kW	120kW	
Number of Test Channels	2	1	1	
Chassis Size (W x D x H)	46" X 38" X 77"	46" X 38" X 77"	46" X 38" X 77"	

MODEL	150V-100A	150V-200A	150V-400A
Voltage Range Provided	20V to 150V		
0.1% Full Scale Accuracy	± 300mV		
Voltage and Current Resolution	16 bit		
Current Ranges Provided	High: 100A ± 200mA Low: 25A ± 50mA	High: 200A ± 400mA Low: 25A ± 50mA	High: 400A ± 800mA Low: 25A ± 50mA
Minimum V at Maximum Current	20V @ 100A	20V @ 200A	20V @ 400A
Total System Power	60kW	60kW	60kW
Number of Test Channels	4	2	1
Chassis Size (W x D x H)	31" X 38" X 77"	31" X 38" X 77"	31" X 38" X 77"

Shared Hardware Specifications

SERIES	BT-MP60/100/150
Voltage Input Impedance	~10GΩ
Current Rise Time	~10mS
Voltage Clamp	Individual / Channel Based Voltage Clamp
Internal Board Circuitry	Regenerative circuitry, PWM
Ventilation Method	Air cooled
Room Operating Temperature	10 to 35 degrees C
Connection to Computer	TCP/IP
Computer Specifications	PC with 22" flat-screen monitor is included, preloaded with our MITS Pro testing software

Training & Support

Arbin's knowledgeable customer service team is well-known throughout the industry for their responsiveness and dedication. Application engineers are always available by phone or email, and with equipment running in over 50 countries, Arbin has experienced support technicians nearby to help install equipment, answer questions, and provide any repairs that may be necessary over the life of your system. Additionally, our expansive library of video tutorials make it easy for novice users to learn or experienced users to refresh their knowledge at any time.



Software Control Specifications

Current (A)	Outputs constant current to the cell or battery at the value specified Positive current refers to charge and negative current refers to discharge
Voltage (V)	Outputs constant voltage to the cell or battery at the value specified
C-Rate	C-Rate is a method for indicating the discharge as well as the charge current of a battery. It can be expressed as I=M*C where I=current A; C=battery capacity; M is the C-rate value.
Rest	The battery is disconnected from the charge/discharge circuit but remains connected to the voltage measurement circuit to enable open-circuit voltage measurement
Power (W)	Outputs constant power to the cell of battery at the value specified.
Load (Ohm)	Applies a constant resistance load to the battery at the value specified. The load control type will always produce a negative current.
Set Variable (s)	Change test related variables including channel capacity, energy and all test counter variables.
Current Ramp	Generates a current ramp with a positive scan rate for increasing current and a negative scan rate generates a decreasing current ramp.
Current Staircase	Generates a current staircase with increasing current and negative decreasing current staircase with adjustable step amplitude.
Current and Power Simulation	Non-standard time-domain functions may be inputted from external sources such as ASCII data streams and used as control parameters for repetitive tests
DC Internal Resistance	This function applies a 10-pulse train with 1ms pulse width of the specified magnitude following a constant-current charge or discharge step
CCCV	Allows users to implement a constant current-constant voltage charge regime in one step. Users specify the charge rate (CC) and the voltage limit (CV); with a specified current or time limit termination value.
Formula	Equips the user to control and limit schedule steps according to dynamic mathematical equations in addition to constants or instantaneous channel data
End Conditions	Time, Voltage, Current, Capacity, Energy, ΔV, DV/dt, formula, meta-variables, and other combinations
Data Logging Rate	During a standard step: 40-150 data points per second, per PC
Network Capabilities	Provide TCP/IP access for networking
Data Result File	Imported into Microsoft Excel; Arbin's Excel Data Pro macro included for easy data manipulation
Data File Content	Channel data; test time, step time, voltage, current, capacity, energy, first/second derivative of I or V, auxiliary input data (optional). Statistical data: cycle #, cycle capacity/energy, max voltage, etc.

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