# Model <u>ST2822/ST2822A/ST2822C</u>

# **Dual Handheld LCR Meter**

Instruction Manual

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# Safety Summary

The following safety precautions are applicable to both operating and maintenance personnel and must be observed during all phases of operation, service, and repair of this instrument.

#### DO NOT OPERATE IN A FLAMMABLE OR EXPLOSIVE ATMOSPHERE

Do not operate the instrument in the presence of much dust, direct sunlight, high humidity, strong electromagnetic radiation, etc.

#### NON-PROFESSIONALS SHOULD NOT OPEN STE REAR COVER

Maintaining, substituting parts or adjusting the instrument should be made by professional maintenance personnel. Please contact relevant distributor or Sourcetronics service department.

# DO NOT REMOVE OR MODIFY STE INSTRUMENT

Some replacements and unauthorized modifications might cause irreversible damage to the instrument.

#### SAFETY WARNING

Strictly follow the relevant safety statements in this manual involving safety, personnel injury, damage to the instrument, operation and environmental conditions causing poor test.

# Safety Guidelines

# To ensure that you use this device safely, follow the safety guidelines listed below:

- This meter is for indoor use, altitude up to 2,000 m. For short-time outdoor use, precautions should be taken to avoid direct sunlight, water and moisture, electromagnetic radiation, dust and explosion.
- The warnings and safety precautions should be read and well understood before the instrument is used.
- Use the meter only as specified in this manual.
- Confirm that the circuits have been powered off and all capacitors in the circuits been discharged before measuring in-circuit components.
- Discharge all charging elements, such as capacitors, before testing.
- The power for the meter is supplied with a single standard 9V battery. But also a line operation is possible using a power adapter

of 12VDC/150mA. If a power adapter is selected, please be sure to meet the safety requirements of a relevant IEC standard.

 The battery using in ST2822C is rechargeable. Do not charge nonrechargeable batteries.

# **Safety Symbols**



This symbol is a warning and indicates that the user should refer to the operating instructions located in the manual.



D C power



Indicates inside pin is positive (+), outside is negative (-).

## **Environmental Conditions**

Operating Environment 0 °C to 40 °C

Storage Humidity 0 – 80% R.H.

Storage Environment -20 °C to +50 °C

Pollution degree 2

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#### Introduction

ST2822 series are designed for measuring inductance, capacitance and resistance components. The instrument can be powered by a 9V battery or external power adapter. The meter is not only applicable to the application occasion of bench meters but also conveniently used in the flow inspect and handheld measurement occasions.

ST2822 series provide the primary parameter of up to 40,000 readings, secondary parameter of 0.0001 reading resolution, the maximum measuring frequency of up to 100kHz, constant internal resistance of 100  $\Omega$  and testing level of 0.6Vrms. The auto range can rapidly display the measuring results and automatically choose the desirable testing parameters in accordance with components properties. Its measuring accuracy is up to 0.25%.

Front panel push buttons maximize the convenience of function and feature selection such frequency, rate and L/C/R/Z selection. Tolerance mode can sort components, record mode aid to capture readings, convenient open/short clear function improve the measuring accuracy, utility menu help you easily take

the selections of the key tone, auto power-off and storage.

All ST2822 series are equipped with the function of remote communication. The test data can be transferred to PC through a Mini USB connection, great for applications that require remote control and data acquisition.

# Package Contents

ST2822 series are equipped with the following contents:

- ST2822/ST2822A/ST2822C handheld LCR meter
- Instruction manual
- Mini USB Interface Cable
- Red / Black Banana plugs—Crocodile clip Test Leads
- Short-circuit plate
- \*9V Alkaline battery or 8.4 rechargeable battery
- \*AC adapter
- \*ST26027A Kelvin clip test leads
- \* ST26009C SMD test tweezers
- \*ST26029C SMD test tweezers

\* This can be purchased as optional accessories.

All contents are subject to actual package list or box.

Please locate them from the original packaging to ensure nothing is missing. If in the case that an item is missing, please contact Sourcetronic or relevant distributor immediately.

### **Front Panel Overview**

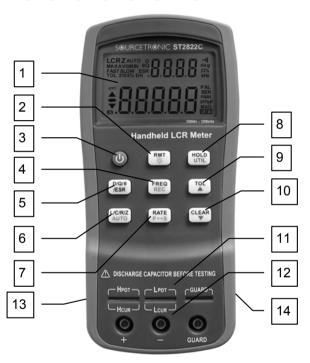


Figure 1 - Front Panel Display (model ST2822C shown)

#### **Front Panel Display Descriptions**

- LCD display
- 2. USB communication / \*Back light button
- 3. Power ON/OFF button
- 4. Frequency and record mode selection
- 5. Secondary display mode (D /Q//ESR, etc.)
- 6. Primary display mode (L/C/R/Z, etc.)/ auto LCR selection
- 7. Rate/equivalent mode selection
- 8. Hold mode/ utility menu
- 9. Tolerance mode/ utility arrow key
- 10. Open/short clear/ utility arrow key
- 11. 5-terminal test sockets (direct measurement on lead components or use of test fixture)
- 3-terminal test jacks (for use of Banana plugs—Crocodile clip Test Leads)
- 13. Standard mini USB port (for remote control)
- 14. 12VDC external power input (use with an external power adapter)

#### \*Backlight is not included in ST2822.

NOTE: Refer to the adapter's label for input parameters of it. Rated output parameters is 12VDC, 150mA,4mm.

NOTE: Use with included power adapter only or purchase the specified adapters from Sourcetronic.

Use with improper power adapters may damage instrument.

NOTE: Internal battery supply will be automatically cut off since the normal supply of external power. If the battery is rechargeable (ST2822C), the external power will charge the battery simultaneously. ST2822C is installed an independent charging controller---charging control is still done even at the state of power-off.

WARNING: Before connecting an external power adapter, be sure that the polarity matches the (+) and (-) labels as indicated inside the battery compartment. If it is not installed correctly and connected to an external power adapter, it might cause severe damage to the instrument.

WARNING: If the battery is rechargeable (ST2822C), please be sure that the polarity matches the (+) and (-) labels as indicated inside the battery compartment ant the battery is rechargeable. DO NOT charge the non-rechargeable battery!

#### **Front Panel Buttons**

With the exception of the power button, all front panel buttons have specific colored labels on them. They are all marked in black, blue, or orange color. Each color has a specific representation, as described below:

Black—the primary function, meaning that function will be set or configured upon pressing it.

Orange—the secondary function, it means that the function will be set or configured if that button is pressed and hold down for 2 seconds.

Blue—the utility function, the function will be set or configured if the UTIL button is pressed and hold down for a long time. See "Utility Menu" section for details.

**NOTE:** In the button operational instruction, we will use the button name to express the button operation without differentiating the type of button; Pay attention to the difference between "long press" and "press".

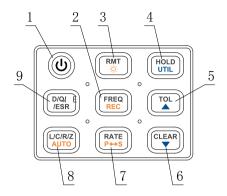


Figure 2 - Button Display (Model ST2822C shown)

#### **Button Function Definition**

- Power ON/OFF Button
- 2. Frequency/Record Mode Button
- 3. Remote Control/Backlight Button
- 4. Readings Hold/Utility Menu Button
- 5. Tolerance mode/ Menu Selection Button
- 6. Clear/ Menu Selection Button
- 7. Rate/Equivalent Mode Button
- 8. LCR Primary Parameters/Auto LCR
- 9. Secondary Parameters Selection Button

#### **LCD Display Overview**

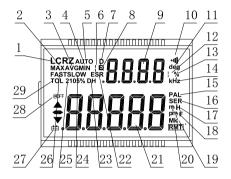


Figure 3 - LCD Indicator Display

#### **LCD Display Descriptions**

- LCRZ Primary display indicator
- 2. MAX Maximum reading indicator in the record mode
- AVG Average reading indicator in the record mode
- MIN Minimum reading indicator in the record mode
- 5. AUTO Automatic LCR indicator
- θ Phase angle indicator for secondary display

- 7. D Dissipation indicator
- 8. Q Quality factor indicator
- 9. .B.B.B. Secondary display
- 10. •))) Beeper tone indicator for tolerance mode
- 11. deg Phase angle ( $\theta$ ) units indicator
- 12.  $\Omega$  ESR(ohm) units indicator
- 13. % Percentage indicator (in tolerance mode)
- 14. kHz Frequency units indicator
- 15. PAL Parallel mode indicator
- 16. SER Series mode indicator
- 17. PH Inductance units (L) indicator
- 18. PMF –Capacitance units (C) indicator
- MkΩ Resistance(R) /impedance units indicator
- 20. RMT Remote mode indicator
- 22. ESR Series mode indicator for secondary parameters
- 23. DH Data hold indicator
- 24. SLOW measuring rate indicator
- 25. 2105% Limits indicator in tolerance mode
- 26. FAST- Fast measuring rate indicator
- 27. E Low battery/charging indicator
- 28. @OFF -Auto power-off indicator

#### 29. TOL -Tolerance mode indicator

# Special Display Indicators Indicates short clear if you press the CLEAR button Indicates open clear if you press the CLEAR button Indicates open clear if you press the CLEAR button Error indication Indicates correction (open/short clear) mode Indicates damaged or open fuse AD converter error (UNK)

#### **Test Port**

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ST2822 series are creatively designed to combine 3terminal port and 5-terminal port, which makes the

AD converter error (FND)

convenient test and highly accurate test realized in the instrument.

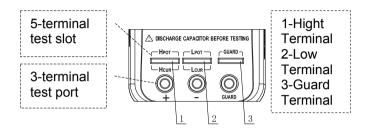


Figure 4 - test port

With the adoption of standard banana slots, the instrument can use inexpensive banana plug-crocodile clip as the test lead, which make the test quite convenient. However this configuration has low testing accuracy.

For the improvement of accuracy when using external testing leads, ST2822 series are designed with 5-terminal testing slots and exclusive test fixture to ensure complete external 4-terminal test and measuring accuracy.

**NOTE:** ST26027A, ST26009C, ST26029C 4-terminal test fixtures are optional for ST2822 series. Please refer to relevant instrument accessories.

# **Powering Instrument**

There are two methods to supply the instrument: Battery and external power adapter. When the two power modes are available, the external DC adapter is prior to the battery. The two power modes can be automatically switched without interruption.

#### **Installing Battery**

ST2822 series can adopt battery for power supply so that you can take measurements whenever and wherever without many preparations.

9V alkaline batteries used in ST2822/ST2822A are non-rechargeable. Reference standard type is IEC6LR61.

ST2822C applies 8.4V rechargeable battery with LH-200H7C as the reference type. Do not use non-rechargeable batteries with the exception of emergency cases. The reason is that the charging circuit will operate once the instrument is connected to external power.

#### To Install the Battery:

- Open up the back-flip stand, and locate the screw that tightens the battery compartment cover as indicated in Figure 5. Use a screwdriver to unscrew and remove the cover.
- Insert proper battery into compartment. Note the positive (+) and negative (-) terminals as indicated inside the battery compartment (See Figure 6). Be sure to insert the battery with matching polarity.
- Place the battery compartment cover piece by sliding it into the top slid first. Place screw at the bottom of the cover piece and tighten down with a screw driver.
- Push and hold down the power ON/OFF button for 2 seconds to turn on the instrument.



Figure 5 - Back Cover

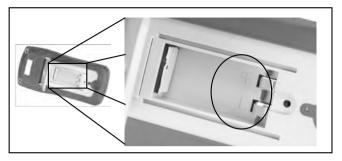


Figure 6 - Battery Compartment

#### **Connecting External Power Source**

Some models of ST2822 series are equipped with standard external power adapters, which can use external source.

WARNING: Use the included or specified adapter only. Confirm power parameters be ones that adapters require before use.

To connect the adapter, do the following:

 If a battery is installed, please check the battery compartment again that the polarity of the battery matches the polarity as indicated by the labels inside the compartment.

WARNING: DO NOT, at any time, connect an external power adapter when a battery is installed incorrectly or a non-rechargeable battery is inserted in a rechargeable instrument. Doing so will damage the instrument and void its warranty.

- 2. Confirm that an appropriate power supply connects to the adapter.
- Connect the AC adapter connector into the right side jack of 12VDC.
- Connect the AC Adapter socket into an electrical outlet.
- Press and hold down the power button for about 2s to turn on the meter.

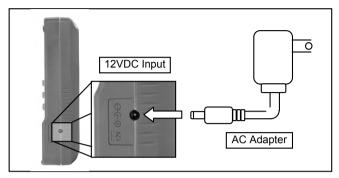


Figure 7 - Connecting AC Adapter to Meter

NOTE: The meter will automatically switch to consume power from the AC adapter instead of the battery when an AC adapter is plugged in and consume the power normally. In this event, if the battery installed correctly is rechargeable (for instance, ST2822C), charging controller will be driven at the same time no matter the instrument is on or off.

#### Low Battery Indication

At the use of battery for power supply, if the display starts flashing the indicator, it means that the battery voltage is below normal working voltage (below 6.8V). It is highly recommended that the battery be replaced as soon as possible before

continuing operation. See "Installing Battery" for instructions.

If the battery is rechargeable, when the indicator starts flashing, please charge the battery before continuing operation. When the external source is plugged in, the flash of indicator indicates the charging state.

#### **Backlight Display**

Only ST2822A/C meters have Backlight display that can allow you to see the LCD display in dark conditions, ST2822 doesn't support backlight.

To turn on the back light, you should press the button for a long time.

To turn off the back light, you should press the button for a long time.

#### When Using Battery Power

When the meter is powered by using battery, the brightness of the back light will automatically decrease to conserve battery power. When the back light have lightened for about 15 seconds, the brightness will continuously decrease; and when the back light have

lightened for approximate 30 seconds, the back light will automatically turn off.

#### When Using External Power

When the meter is powered using an external AC adapter, once the back light is turned on, it will stay at its maximum brightness continuously and will not automatically turn off. Unplugging the external power to use battery power, the back light will decrease its brightness and automatically turn off.

#### **Charge Display**

The power circuit of ST2822/A is non-rechargeable. When the external power adapter is plugged in, the power mode will automatically switched and the battery power circuit will be cut off.

ST2822C is equipped with rechargeable circuit. When the external power adapter is connected, the built-in rechargeable battery will be charged automatically and the power mode will be switched to external power supply.

Single charge circle is about 80 minutes and charge current is approximate 40mA. If a battery is full charged, the charge will be automatically shut off;

instead, the battery will be charged again after a charge circle.

**NOTE:** A new charge circle will begin as soon as an external power is connected.

WARNING: If the instrument has rechargeable circuit, DO NOT connect to an external power when a non-rechargeable battery is installed. Doing so will cause the burst of the battery.

it indicates low power of battery if not connect to external power; if instrument is connected to external power, it means the charging state.

# **Operation Instruction**

#### Data hold mode (HOLD)

The data hold function allows the user to freeze the display data. The data displayed on LCD will not update upon the phase of test until data hold is turned off.

#### Turn On Data Hold

To use data hold, press the HOLD button. The "DH" indicator will display on the screen when data hold is active. At this moment, primary and secondary displayed on LCD are the testing results before the press of HOLD button.

#### Turn Off Data Hold

To disable the data hold, press the HOLD button again. The "DH" indicator will disappear on the screen, and meter will remain in normal operation mode.

#### Data Record Mode (REC)

If the data stability of tested components is poor and the data fluctuates in a range, data record mode can aid the reading of data.

This mode is used for dynamically recording maximum, minimum, and average values in a range.

#### **Enable Static Recording**

Press and hold down the REC button for a long time to enter the data recording mode. The display should indicate "MAX AVG MIN" simultaneously, which indicates the meter is in static recording mode.

#### Using Static Recording

There are four different modes that can be selected in static recording. Per press of the REC button (in recording mode, FREQ will disable), the modes will change and repeat in the following order:

Recording Mode → Maximum Mode → Minimum Mode → Average Mode

#### Recording State

This is the default mode when enabling static recording. In this mode, LCD will display "MAX AVG MIN" indicator. In a relatively stable range of test data, a beep tone will sound once a recording has been stored.

**NOTE:** When the data fluctuation range is upwards of 1%, data record will dynamically be refreshed.

#### Maximum Display

Press REC button until the "MAX" indicator is shown on display. This indicates that the value in the primary display represents the recorded maximum value.

#### Minimum Display

Press REC button until the "MIN" indicator is shown on display. This indicates that the value in the primary display represents the recorded minimum value.

#### Average Display

Press REC button until the "AVG" indicator is shown on display. This indicates that the value in the primary display represents the recorded average value.

#### Disable Static Recording

To exit this mode, press and hold the REC button for a long time. All the "MAX", "MIN", or "AVG" indicator will disappear on LCD.

**NOTE:** Changing the type of test parameters will automatically turn off static recording.

#### L/C/R/Z Select Mode

To select measurement mode, you should select primary parameter first.

Each press of the L/C/R/Z button, the parameter will change and repeat as the following modes:

L (inductance), C (capacitance), R (resistance), and Z (impedance).

**NOTE:** After changing primary mode, secondary display indicates the present frequency. If it is required to display corresponding secondary parameters, press the secondary button.

#### D/Q/θ/ESR Select Mode

If necessary, press the D/Q/θ/ESR button to select secondary parameters.

Each press of the D/Q/ $\theta$ /ESR button, the following modes will be displayed on the screen:

D (Dissipation factor), Q (Quality factor),  $\theta$  (Phase angle), and ESR (Equivalent series resistance).

#### Test Frequency (FREQ)

ST2822 series handheld LCR meters apply AC signal to DUT for measurement. Frequency is among the main parameters of AC signal. By the presence of component's non-ideality and distributed parameters, the effect of distributed parameters of test port and test lead, the test frequency used on the same component might cause different test result. Therefore, a proper frequency should be selected before test.

#### Selecting Frequency

Change the test frequency, push the FREQ button. If the secondary display does not indicate the frequency, it will display the actual operating frequency when you press FREQ. If the secondary display indicates frequency, at each press of the FREQ button, the

meter will change among the following selectable frequencies:

ST2822: 100Hz/120Hz/1kHz

ST2822A: 100Hz/120Hz/1kHz/10kHz

ST2822C: 100Hz/120Hz/1kHz/10kHz/100kHz

#### **Tolerance Mode (TOL)**

The tolerance mode is specifically used for component sorting purposes. In tolerance mode, secondary display indicates the range of percentage. Tolerance mode, nominal value and sorting limit just come into play on primary parameters. The selectable ranges for sorting are as follows: 1%, 5%, 10%, 20% (20% is not for ST2822).

When entering tolerance mode, the data indicated in the primary display will be recorded as nominal value. Displayed value in percentage is:

100\*(Mx-Nom)/Nom%

Where, Mx is the test value displayed on the primary display; Nom is the recorded nominal value. The percentage value is used for sorting.

#### Use Tolerance Mode

To use the tolerance mode as the process shown below:

- Select the desired <u>primary</u> measurement mode by pressing <u>L/C/R/Z</u> button.
- 2. Configure the proper test frequency and series/parallel equivalent mode.
- 3. Perform the operation of CLEAR appropriately if necessary.
- 4. Test standard implements or components with accurate and reliable measured value.
- 5. Once the desired measured reading is displayed, press the TOL button once to store the reading as the nominal value. At this point, the "TOL" will be displayed on the screen, indicating that the tolerance mode is activated. A percentage mode will be shown in the secondary mode to indicate the percentage deviation.

**NOTE:** Before the press of TOL button, the primary parameter indicated on LCD in any mode can be taken as the nominal value, including data hold, MAX, MIN, AVG data recording, etc.

6. If sorting is not necessary, you can skip this step. If it is necessary, by pressing the TOL button you can select the range of 1%, 5%,

- 10% or 20%, which will be shown on LCD accordingly.
- Changing test component, an audible tone will be heard. One single "beep" or tone means the component is within tolerance. Three "beeps" or tone means the component is out of tolerance.

WARNING: Be sure that the capacitor has been fully discharged before its test, or the instrument might be damaged.

#### Disable Tolerance Mode

Long press of TOL button will disable tolerance mode.

**NOTE:** Changing the test frequency, primary function, or secondary function will automatically disable tolerance mode.

#### **Auto LCR Mode**

Auto LCR function will automatically select the corresponding primary and secondary parameters and suitable series/parallel equivalent mode of L, C, R. The selection is done by judging the impedance

property of component according to the test result. It is quite convenient for the measurements of mixed and unknown components.

#### Enable Auto LCR Mode

Long press of AUTO button will activate auto LCR mode. The "AUTO" indicator on LCD indicates that auto LCR mode is activated.

In auto LCR mode, the match of secondary parameter with primary parameter is shown as below:

Table 1 - Matching relations between primary and secondary parameters in auto LCR mode

Primary Parameter	Secondary Parameter
Capacitance (C)	Dissipation (D)
Inductance (L)	Quality Factor (Q)
Resistance (R)	Phase Angle ( θ )

In auto LCR mode, series or parallel equivalent mode is selected in accordance with the magnitude of impedance. Parallel mode is selected at high impedance and series mode at low impedance.

#### Disable Auto LCR Mode

Long press the AUTO button again will disable auto LCR mode. In addition, this mode will not continue through changing the primary and secondary modes, series/parallel equivalent mode and frequency mode. "AUTO" indicator on LCD will disappear when auto LCR mode is turned off.

### Measurement Rate (RATE)

There are two selectable measurement rates in this instrument: fast and slow. The rate of fast measurement is about 4~5times/sec and slow measurement is approximate 1.5 times/sec. The stability of slow measurement is higher than fast measurement.

The fast and slow rates can be directly switched by pressing RATE button. "FAST" indicator will be displayed on LCD at fast rate and "SLOW" indicator at slow rate.

# Series/parallel Equivalent Mode

For the presence of non-ideality and distributed parameters of components, actual components are usually equivalent to combined network of ideal components. In general, there are two simple

equivalent models used in LCR meters, which are series model and parallel model.

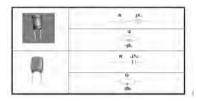


Figure 8 - Series and Parallel Equivalent Models of Inductors and Capacitors

Appropriate equivalent modes could help to gain better measurement results. Generally, Series mode is better for components with low impedance (blow 100  $\Omega$ ), while parallel mode for components with high impedance (over 10k  $\Omega$ ). For the components with the impedance between the two limits, equivalent mode has little effect on the testing result.

# Selecting Measurement Mode

Long press P<->S button, "PAL" on LCD indicates parallel equivalent mode and "SER" means series equivalent mode.

#### Default Equivalent Mode

When select primary parameter, equivalent mode varies with primary parameter:

For capacitors and resistors, default equivalent mode is PAL; for inductors, is SER.

# **Utility Menu (UTIL)**

The LCR meter has a built-in utility menu that allows you to configure some user preferences and settings. The buttons used to set and control the menu are colored in blue. There are three buttons: UTIL, ▲, User can configure the beep tone, auto power-off timing, store/restore power-on state, view the battery voltage, etc.

**Entering Utility Menu** 

Long press <u>UTIL</u> button will enter utility menu. Primary display is menu option and secondary display is the current settings or parameters configured for the selected option. After the entrance into utility menu, the default menu option display will show "bEEP".

#### Configuration and Settings

The following contents are included in the utility menu:

Table 2 - Utility Menu Options and Settings

Menu Options	Settings/Parameters
bEEP	ON / OFF
AoFF	5 / 15 / 30 / 60 / OFF
PuP	PrE / Set
dEF	yES / NO
bAtt	Battery Voltage

Uses of these menu options are as follows:

Control beep sound( bEEP)

Set auto power-off(AoFF)

Set power-up state(PuP)

Reset to default settings(dEF)

Indicate battery voltage(bAtt)

By default, press the button UTIL to change or select a different menu option. To change the settings or parameters, use the and arrow keys. For each UTIL button press, the meter will traverse through each menu options and will repeat itself in the following order:

bEEP → AoFF → PuP → dEF → bAtt

**NOTE:** The change of settings has different application effects in accordance with different exiting mode. See "Exit Utility Menu" section (Saving and Exiting, Exiting without Saving) for details.

# Beep Sound Setup (bEEP)

The "bEEP" menu option allows the user to enable or disable the beep sound for every key press.

**NOTE:** This option only disables the beep sound for each key press. It does not affect the beep sound for "Tolerance" mode and "Static Recording", as well as the "auto power-off" warning.

Use the ▲ and ▼ arrow keys to choose ON or OFF. This setting will be immediately effective. But this state will not saved if choose "Exiting without Saving"; "Saving and Exiting" should be implemented if this setting needs to be effective after restarting.

Default setting: ON.

# Auto power-off Setup (AoFF)

The "AoFF" menu option allows the user to select the auto power-off timer. The available timer settings are: 5min/15min/30min/60min/OFF. When the primary

display shows "AoFF", push the and arrow keys to select the timer setting. The settings will be shown on the secondary display as Table 3.

When AoFF is effective, this timer is always counting continuously; when the configured time is up, the meter will make an audible "beep" sound continuously to remind the user of prompt auto power-off. Before auto power-off, pressing any button will reset the timer count.

**NOTE:** Auto power-off is effective only for battery power.

**NOTE:** When auto power-off is efficient, the display of "@OFF" indicates the operation of timer.

**NOTE:** Auto power-off will not work temporally in TOL mode, REC mode and RMT mode. It will be activated after exiting of above modes.

**Table 3 - Auto Power-off Options** 

Secondary Display	Representation
5	5 minutes
15	15 minutes
30	30 minutes
60	60 minutes
OFF	Manual power off only

The setting will be immediately effective. But this state will not saved if choose "Exiting without saving"; "Saving and exiting" should be implemented if this setting needs to be effective after restarting.

Default Setting: 5

#### Power-up State (PuP)

The "PuP" menu option allows user to configure the power-up state of the LCR meter, allowing user to restore settings saved into internal EEPROM memory at power-up. The storable settings are as follows:

- Primary function mode (e.g. L/C/R)
- · Secondary function mode (e.g. D/Q)
- State of auto LCR
- Series/parallel equivalent mode
- Test frequency
- Tolerance mode
- Reference value for Tolerance mode
- Measurement rate

In the utility menu, Press the ▲ and ▼ arrow keys to select "PrE" or "SEt". PrE means to preserve the previous setting while SEt means to save the current parameter, that is, cover the previous data.

**NOTE:** Exiting mode decides whether to implement SEt. At "Exiting without saving", SEt is ineffective; while at "Saving and Exiting", SEt setting will be effective.

Default Setting: PrE

# **Configure and Save Power-up State**

Procedure to configure and save power-up state is as follows:

- Before entering into the utility menu, configure all the measurement parameters firstly, such as frequency, primary and secondary parameters. If the meter is currently in the utility menu, exit first and enter into utility menu after measuring setup.
- 2. Press UTIL button for a long time to enter into utility menu.
- Push the <u>UTIL</u> button to traverse through the utility options until you see "PuP" on the primary display.
- 4. In order to save the current meter settings for power-up state into internal memory, use either or button to change the settings so that the secondary display shows "Set".

- 5. Press the UTIL button to check whether other desirable setups have already been set. With all settings done, exit the menu by long press of the UTIL button.
- The meter has now saved all current settings into internal memory. At next power-up, the meter will turn on and recall the saved settings.

**NOTE:** The meter allows one set of settings to be stored into memory. Therefore, the same procedure is used to overwrite previously stored settings into memory.

# **Prevent Overwrite of Stored Settings**

In the utility menu, the "PuP" option default setting is always "PrE". If it is required to overwrite previously stored settings for power-up state, the option should change to "Set". Therefore, when entering the utility menu, be sure not to change to "Set" to prevent overwriting any previously stored power-up settings.

# Reset Default Settings (dEF)

The "dEF" option is used to reset the current measuring setup and optional settings in utility menu to default settings. These default settings are as below:

**Table 4 - Instrument Default Settings** 

Settings	Default Configuration
Primary Function	C (capacitance)
Secondary Function	None (frequency)
Auto LCR function	Off
Equivalent Method	SER (series)
Measurement Frequency	1kHz
Measurement Speed	Slow (SLOW)
Tolerance Mode	Off
Beep Sound	On
Auto Power-off Timing	5 minutes
Stored Measurement Setup	clear
Stored Utility Menu Option	clear

In "dEF" option, push either ▲ or ▼ button to choose "NO" or "yES". "NO" means the instrument will not be set back to default. "yES" indicates to reset all settings to default and to clear previously stored setup.

Default Setting: No

perform "yES" function. At the use of "exiting without saving", "yES" is ineffective; when "saving and exiting" is selected, restore operation will be efficient.

NOTE: In the case where "PuP" is set to "Set" and "dEF" is set to "yES" simultaneously, the "PuP" setting has priority over the "dEF" setting. This means the instrument will not be set back to default upon saving and exiting the utility menu. Instead, the power-up settings will be stored and will be recalled upon the next power-up of the instrument.

**NOTE:** Exiting mode also decides whether or not to

#### Indicate battery voltage (bAtt)

When menu option changes to "bAtt", the secondary display will indicate battery voltage that is for reference instead of for operational function.

#### Exit Utility Menu

There are two methods for exiting the utility menu: **Saving and Exiting, Exiting without Saving**. The former saves all the changed settings before exiting, and the latter exits the menu without saving any changes.

# Saving and Exiting

To save all utility menu option settings and to exit the menu, press and hold down the UTIL button for a long time. After this, the meter will exit the menu. Then PuP and dEF will be performed and all settings will be saved.

"Saving" means that corresponding settings will be saved in the built-in non-volatile memory. Therefore, data will not lose at the time of power-off and can be used at the time of next power-on.

# Exiting Without Saving

If user decides to exit the utility menu without saving the optional settings, and gives up the operation of "PuP" and "dEF", it can be done by simply pressing any front panel buttons except UTIL, ▲, ▼ and POWER. PuP and dEF operation will be ineffective. Settings, such as "bEEP" and "AoFF" will not be saved in the non-volatile memory but still be temporarily efficient before power-off.

#### **Clear Functions (CLEAR)**

There are two functions under CLEAR: Open Clear and Short Clear. Clear can decrease the distributed error caused by test leads, for instance, short clear can reduce the effects of contact resistors and test leads and open clear will minimize the influence of distributed capacitors and resistors on testing high impedance components.

#### Enter Clear Mode

For convenience, open clear and short clear are designed to share a button. By pressing the CLEAR button, the meter will automatically choose either OPEN clear or SHORT clear.

#### Open Clear

First select frequency to clear and keep test clip and test slot be open. Enter into clear by the press of CLEAR, and a moment later the OPEN indicator will appear on secondary display after the automatic measurement judging. If user decides to perform open clear, another press of CLEAR should be done.

**NOTE:** "----" indicator on secondary display indicates that test terminal is out of open state and open clear cannot be performed.

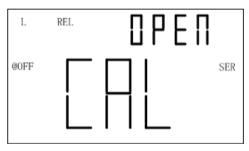


Figure 9 - Open Clear

#### Short Clear

First choose test frequency to clear and then insert a short plate to test slot. If SMD test tweezers or test clip is used, the short plate should short the test terminal. Enter into clear by the press of CLEAR, and a moment later the SHrT indicator will appear on secondary display after the automatic measurement judging. If user decides to perform short clear, another press of CLEAR should be done.

**NOTE:** "----" indicator on secondary display indicates that test terminal is out of short state and short clear cannot be performed.



Figure 10 - Short Clear

#### **Quick Clear Procedure**

Below is an example of steps to do open or short clear:

- Select the primary and secondary function mode for measurement;
- Select test frequency;
- Select equivalent mode;
- Keep the test terminal open to perform open clear;
- 5. Short the test terminal to perform short clear;
- 6. Connect DUT to start testing after clear.

#### NOTE:

- Clear data is just temporarily stored in RAM, which means that the data will loss after power-off. Therefore, "clear", prior to measurement, should be first done after power-on.
- Clear data is stored under different frequency, thus they will be still valid at the change of test frequency (for instance, under the frequency of 1kHz, the meter has been cleared; and when the frequency is back to 1kHz, there is no need to clear again.)
- Clear is not concerned with test parameters and series/parallel equivalent mode. In

- accordance with advanced impedance network principle, the instrument performs clear operation. Though the complex impedance is cleared, the displayed parameter is just one of the elements of impedance, so it is cleared too.
- 4. After a long time of continuous use, the meter will be affected by the temperature environment and test fixtures, test leads and contact resistance will change. It should be necessary to clear once more according to specific conditions so as to meet the requirement of accuracy.

#### Remote Control (RMT)

When the RMT button is used for remote communication, please see "REMOTE COMMUNICATION" section for details.

#### **Fuse Detection**

The meter has an internal fuse in the test signal terminal that protects the internal components from severely damaging the instrument. When the fuse is

burned out, the "FUSE" indicator will appear on the primary display and an internal "beep" will sound continuously. In this situation, none of the function buttons can be operated and all other meter functions will be disabled.

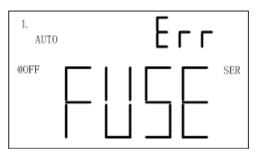


Figure 11 - Fuse Display

In the event that the above screen is displayed, the instrument should be powered off. If this does not power off the meter, remove external AC adapter if that is used and/or remove the battery from the battery compartment. Please contact after-sale department of our company or appointed distributor for the change of fuse or maintenance.

**NOTE:** Both fuse damage and none output of test signal caused by signal source fault will make "FUSE" alarm

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# CAUTION /!\

- Do not measure a capacitor that is not fully discharged. Connecting a charged or partially charged capacitor to the input terminals will damage the instrument.
- When measuring an on-board component within a circuit, the circuit must be powered off before connecting the test leads.
- When used in a dusty environment, the instrument should be wiped and cleaned regularly. The electrical conductivity carried by the accumulated dust will eventually have an effect on the use of the meter.
- Do not leave the instrument exposed to explosive, direct sun-lighting and overheating environments.
- Before removing the cover, ensure that none DUT is connected to the meter and the instrument is disconnected from any circuit and is powered OFF.

**NOTE:** To achieve optimum precision, please refer to "Clear Function" for details before testing.

#### **Inductance Measurement**

- 1. Press the POWER button for a long time to turn on the instrument.
- 2. Press the L/C/R/Z button until "L" is displayed on the screen to select inductance measurement
- Insert an inductor into test slots or connect a tested inductor through a proper test accessory (e.g., banana plug-crocodile clip test leads, test fixture or SMD test tweezers). See figures 12. And figure 13 shows the optional 4-terminal test accessories.
- Press the FREQ button until the desired test frequency is displayed on screen.
- Press the D/Q/θ/ESR button to select the desired secondary parameter.
- Read the readings on LCD for inductance measured values.



Figure 12 - Inductance Measurement

Below are ST26027A, ST26009C, ST26029C 4-terminal test accessories:

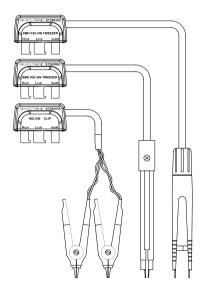


Figure 13 - 4-terminal Test Accessories

# **Capacitance Measurement**

MARNING: Before testing, ensure that the tested capacitor has been fully discharged.

- 1. Press the POWER button for a long time to turn on the meter.
- 2. Press the L/C/R/Z button until "C" is displayed on the screen to select capacitance measurement.
- Insert a capacitor into test slots or connect a tested capacitor through a proper test accessory (e.g., banana plug-crocodile clip test leads, test fixture or SMD test tweezers). See figure 14. And figure 13 shows the optional 4-terminal test accessories.
- 4. CAUTION: Before inserting a capacitor or capacitive component into the input slots or terminals, be sure to fully discharge the component. Some larger capacitive components may take longer to discharge. In these cases, please allot enough time for a full discharge. If improper discharging of the component is done, it will damage the input terminals of the meter.

- 5. Press the FREQ button until the desired test frequency is displayed on screen.
- 6. Press the  $D/Q/\theta/ESR$  button to select the desired secondary parameter.
- Read the readings on LCD for capacitance measured values.

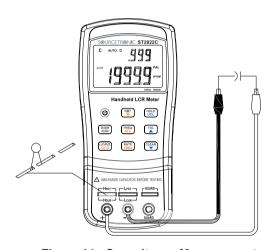


Figure 14 - Capacitance Measurement

#### **Resistance Measurement**

- 1. Press the POWER button for a long time to turn on the instrument.
- 2. Press the L/C/R/Z button until "R" is displayed on the screen to select inductance measurement.
- Insert a resistor into test slots or connect a tested resistor through a proper test accessory (e.g., banana plug-crocodile clip test leads, test fixture or SMD test tweezers). See figure 15. And figure 14 shows the optional 4-terminal test accessories.
- Press FREQ button until the desired test frequency is displayed on screen.
- 5. Press the  $D/Q/\theta/ESR$  button to select the desired secondary parameter.
- Read the readings on LCD for resistance measured values.

**NOTE:** The meter uses an AC signal for measurement of resistance, so what the test result shows is AC resistance property instead of DC resistance property.

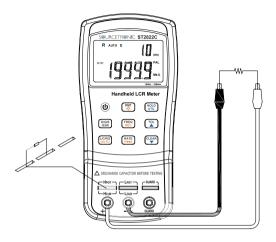


Figure 15 - Resistance Measurement

#### Impedance Measurement

- 1. Press the POWER button for a long time to turn on the instrument.
- 2. Press the L/C/R/Z button until "Z" is displayed on the screen to select impedance measurement.
- Insert impedance (resistor, capacitor or inductor) into test slots or connect tested impedance through a proper test accessory (i.e., banana plug-crocodile clip test leads, test fixture or SMD test tweezers). Figure 13 shows the optional 4terminal test accessories.
- 4. Press the FREQ button until the desired test frequency is displayed on screen.
- 5. Press the  $D/Q/\theta/ESR$  button to select the desired secondary parameter.
- Read the readings on LCD for impedance measured values

# Remote Communication

The meter has the capability to communicate with a PC over the mini USB interface. Upon installation of a USB driver, PC can control the instrument and collect test results over virtual serial interface.

#### **Connecting Instrument to PC**

Follow the below procedures for connection setup.

- Install USB driver from CD or download the USB driver from www.Sourcetronic.com.cn.
- With a Mini-USB cable, connect one end of it to the LCR meter and the other end to an available USB port on PC. Press the POWER button to turn on the meter.
- Skip the next process when the driver has been stalled.
- 4. When Windows recognize the USB connection, PC will prompt user to install driver. The following process is to cancel installation guide and directly run the setup program in the setup file.
- When completed, Windows will create a virtual serial port and distribute a serial number. See Windows device manager for details.

Open the control software and use the assigned serial number to communicate with the handheld LCR meter.



Figure 16 - Connection to PC

# **Virtual Serial Port Configuration**

Below is the serial communication configuration of ST2822 series:

Baud rate: 9600
Data bits: 8
Parity: None
Stop bits: 1

Flow Control: None

Upon the installation of USB driver, if the default assigned by serial port does not match to above configuration, please modify it as the following process:

Open Windows device manager→ Port→ Used Serial Port→ Right Click → Property→ Port Setup

# **RMT Operation**

In the case of communication, the RMT button is used to change the running modes:
Change to Local Operation in Remote Control Mode;
Change to Auto Fetch state in Local Operation mode;
Disable the Auto Fetch function in Auto Fetch state.

**NOTE:** Auto Fetch state means to send testing result automatically without needing the initiative inquiry of PC.

#### Remote Mode

Upon the acceptance of any commands from PC, the meter will be automatically set into remote mode. In this mode, the LCD display will show "RMT" indicator. When this is shown, all front panel button will be locked and disabled, except for RMT and POWER buttons. If the meter has been in Auto Fetch mode before receiving remote control commands, Auto Fetch mode will be disabled.

That is to say, among panel operation, Auto Fetch and Remote Control, remote control has the highest priority.

To exit remote control, press the RMT button. When the "RMT" indicator disappears on the LCD display, the meter goes back to local operation.

**NOTE:** If the local operation is locked, RMT button will be ineffective as well. See \*LLO common command in Command Reference section for details. Press RMT button to change to Auto Fetch state, when it is not in the remote mode. See the description below.

#### Auto Fetch

When the meter is out of remote control, it can be changed to Auto Fetch mode. That is, the meter will automatically send data to the interface bus upon every measurement. Therefore, PC will obtain data by direct reading with no need to send any commands. It is quite useful in the recording data simply.

#### Enable/Disable Auto Fetch

To toggle between enabling and disabling auto fetching when the meter is out of remote control, press the RMT button. In Auto Fetch, every flash of "RMT" means send a measurement result.

NOTE: Auto Fetch can be disabled by remote control. When a remote command is sent to the meter, Auto Fetch will be disabled. To re-enable Auto Fetch after remote command, first press the RMT button to return panel operation and then enter into Auto Fetch mode by another press of RMT.

#### **Command Protocols**

#### Overview

ST2822 series support SCPI commands with ASCII character strings transmitting control commands and returning query information and data and with a specified terminator identifying the termination of a command line or query data line.

The adoption of SCPI commands brings convenience for the interaction control of PC on the meter through programming. Command format is compliance with specifications and easy for understanding and use.

#### Common Command

The IEEE 488 standard defines the common commands for general use in all kinds of instrument. Common commands usually come with the asterisk "\*" character, and may include parameters. Some examples of Common command like: \*IDN?, \*GTL, \*LLO. ST2822 series support a few common commands. See the following command descriptions for more details.

#### **Termination Character**

A terminator is a character sent by a host, which identifies the end of a command line. Only when a termination character is received, the instrument will analyze and deal with command character string. Terminators can be any one of the following character strings:

```
<CR> (Carriage Return, ASC(&H0D));
<LF> (Line Feed, ASC(&H0A));
<CR><LF>
```

#### Returned Result

After the meter executes a query command, the return of the result will be in the following format:

CR is Carriage Return and LF is Line Feed.

For example, in inquiring measured results (FETCH?), the format of the printed data will be shown as the following:

<Primary measured data, Secondary measured data. Tolerance Result> <CR> <LF>

## Data Types

Table 4 below explains the different data types transmitted on bus with ASCII characters:

Table 4 - Data Type

Data Type	Explanation	Example
<nr1></nr1>	Integer	+800,-200,100,-50
<nr2></nr2>	Real	+1.56,-0.001,10.5
<nr3></nr3>	This representation has an explicit radix point and an exponent	+2.345678E+04 -1.345678E-01
<boolean></boolean>	A parameter for Boolean setting. Always return "0" or "1" for Boolean query command	ON or OFF
<literal></literal>	A string is used as command parameters with short literal form	HOLD

## **Symbol Convention**

## Syntax Symbols in Commands

Below symbols is a part of commands:

Syntax Symbol	Explanation		
:	Colon means to enter into next command level		
;	Separate another command at the same command level		
*	common command		
,	multi-parameter delimiter		
?	inquiry		
	Space, separate commands from		
	parameters		
66 33	quoting part		

#### Symbols in Command Explanations

Below symbols are used for the description of command format, which are not the constituting part of command.

**Table 5 - Command Specifier** 

Mark Symbol	Explanation
[]	Option; can be omitted
	Exclusive OR
<>	Defined element
()	Comment

#### Abbreviation, upper case and lower case commands

- There are two command formats: complete format and abbreviated format. In the following command description, capital section of the complete commands shows abbreviations format. It has the same effect of sending abbreviated and complete commands.
- Abbreviation command is generally shown in the form of 4-letter. Any abbreviation absent from command table is taken as incorrect command.
- Either uppercase or lowercase letters, the effects on the bus are the same.

#### **Command Reference**

#### Common Command

#### \*IDN?

Query instrument ID.

Return: <instrument model>, <firmware version>, <serial number>

#### \*LLO

Local Lockout. This means that all front panel buttons, including the RMT key is not available. (POWER button is enabled.)

#### \*GTL

Go to local and remove local lockout. If \*LLO is sent, the only way to operate front panel is to go to \*GTL.

#### \*TRG

Trigger the instrument to take a measurement. Due to the automatically continuous test, \*TRG command is of no use.

#### **SCPI Commands**

## FREQuency Subsystem

## FREQuency <value>

Description: Set measurement frequency

Parameters are 100, 120, 1000, 10000, 100000 or 100hz, 120hz, 1khz, 10khz, 10khz, (model

supported)

Example: FREQuency 100hz Set 100Hz frequency

## FREQuency?

Description: Query the measurement frequency Return: < 100hz, 120hz, 1khz, 10khz, 100khz>

## FUNCtion subsystem

## FUNCtion:impa < L | C | R | Z >

Description: Select primary parameter

Example: FUNCtion:impa L Selects L as primary parameter

## FUNCtion:impa?

Description: Query primary parameter

Return: <L, C, R, Z, NULL >

## FUNCtion:impb < D | Q | STETA | ESR >

Description: Select secondary parameter

Example: FUNCtion:impb D

Select D as secondary parameter

## FUNCtion:impb?

Description: Query secondary parameter Return: <D. Q. STETA. ESR. NULL>

# FUNCtion:EQUivalent < SERies | parallel | PAL >

Description: Set equivalent mode

Parameters: SERies — series mode

Parallel — parallel mode

PAL — parallel mode

Example: FUNCtion: EQUivalent SERies

Set series mode

## FUNCtion: EQUivalent?

Description: Query the equivalent mode

Return: <SER, PAL>

### **CALCulate subsystem**

## CALCulate:TOLerance:STATe < ON | OFF >

Description: Enable or disable tolerance mode Example: CALCulate: TOLerance:STATe ON

#### CALCulate:TOLerance:STATe?

Description: Query the tolerance mode

Return: <ON, OFF >

### CALCulate:TOLerance:NOMinal?

Description: Query the nominal value

Return: NR3 or -----(exceeding data range)

#### CALCulate:TOLerance:VALUe?

Description: Query the percentage value of

tolerance

Return: NR3 or ---- (exceeding data range)

# CALCulate:TOLerance:RANGe < 1 | 5 | 10 | 20 >

Description: Set tolerance range as 1%,5%,10% or 20% (20% not available for some models ) Example: CALCulate:TOLerance:RANGe 1 Set 1% tolerance range

## CALCulate:TOLerance:RANGe?

Description: Query the tolerance range Return: <BIN1, BIN2, BIN3, BIN4 or ---- > "----" means unsetting range

## CALCulate:RECording:STATe < ON | OFF >

Description: Enable or disable recording function Example: CALCulate:RECording:STATe ON

## CALCulate:RECording:STATe?

Description: Query the recording state

Return: <ON or OFF>

## CALCulate:RECording:MAXimum?

Description: Query the maximum value of recording function

Return: <NR3, NR3> ( primary and secondary parameters, when data exceeds limits or there is no data, what returns is "----".)

## CALCulate:RECording:MINimum?

Description: Query the minimum value of recording function

Return: <NR3, NR3> (primary and secondary parameters, when data exceeds limits or there is no data, what returns is "----")

## CALCulate:RECording:AVERage?

Description: Query the average value of recording function

Return: <NR3, NR3> (primary and secondary parameters, when data exceeds limits or there is no data, what returns is "----")

## CALCulate:RECording:PRESent?

Description: Query the present value of recording function

Return: <NR3, NR3> (primary and secondary parameters, when data exceeds limits or there is no data, what returns is "----")

# FETCh Subsystem FETCh?

Description: query the measurement result.

Return: <NR3, NR3, NR1> that is primary parameter, secondary parameter and compared

result.

Example: FETCh?

## Summary of Supported SCPI Commands

Table 2 - Summary of SCPI Commands

Command	Parameter	Explanation
FREQuency	<value></value>	Set Test Frequency
FREQuency?		Query Test Frequency
FUNCtion		
:impa	<literal></literal>	Select primary display parameter
:impa?		Query primary display parameter
:impb	<literal></literal>	Select secondary display parameter
:impb?		Query secondary display parameter
:EQUivalent	<literal></literal>	Set equivalent mode
:EQUivalent?		Query equivalent mode
CALCulate		
:TOLerance		
:STATe	<boolean></boolean>	Enable/disable tolerance mode
:STATe?		Query tolerance mode
:NOMinal?		Query nominal value
:VALUe?		Query percent of tolerance
:RANG	<value></value>	Set tolerance range
:RANGe?		Query tolerance range
:RECording		
:STATe	<boolean></boolean>	Enable/disable recording function
:STATe?		Query recording state
:MAXimum?		Query max. value of recording

:MINimum?	Query min. value of recording
:AVERage?	Query average value of recording
:PRESent?	Query present value of recording
FETCh?	Query measurement result

#### **Error Codes**

If the received commands or parameters from bus contain errors, the meter will terminate the analysis and execution commands. At the same time, error code will be displayed on LCD and beep will be sound. Below defines the error description based on the error code.

E10: Unknown command E11: Parameter Error

E12: Syntax Error

## **Specifications**

Below is the general specification and the accuracy specification of ST2822 series and applicable to ST2822, ST2822A, ST2822C.

**Declaration:** The specifications are subject to change without notice.

\*NOTE: 120Hz is the rated frequency. The actual

frequency is 120.048Hz.

## **General Specifications**

Function			
Measurement Parameters	Primary: L/C/R/Z Secondary: D/Q/θ/ESR		
Equivalent Mode	Series, Parallel		
Auto LCR Function	Manual, Auto		
Ranging Mode	Auto		
Test Terminals	3-terminal,5-terminal		
Measurement Speed	4 meas/sec1.5meas/sec		

Correction			Short, Open	
Tolerance Mode	ST	2822	1%5%10%	
Tolerance Mode	ST	2822A/C	1%5%10%20%	
Input Protection F	use		0.1A / 63V	
Interface			Mini-USB (virtual serial port)	
Test Signal				
	ST	2822	100Hz,*120Hz,1kHz	
Signal Frequency	ST	<sup>-</sup> 2822A	100Hz,*120Hz,1kHz,10kHz	
rrequeriey	ST	<sup>-</sup> 2822C	100Hz,*120Hz,1kHz,10kHz, 100kHz	
Test Signal Level			0.6Vrms	
Output Impedance	9		100Ω	
Display				
Display		LCD prima	ary-secondary dual display	
Backlight (not available for ST2822) luminand and auto Powered		luminance and autom	upply: when backlight is on, is reduced by half 15s later natically turned off 30s later. by adapter: backlight off until urned off	
Readings 40,000;		40,000; E	unts of Primary Parameter: 0 / Q / 0 Min. resolution of parameter: 0.0001.	
Basic Accuracy 0.250 detail			e accuracy specifications for	

Primary Range and Resolution		See Acc	See Accuracy Specifications	
		Range for Display		Resolution
	ESR	0.0000W	′ 999.9W	0.0001W
Secondary Parameter	D	0.0000	9.999	0.0001
	Q	0.0000	9999	0.0001
	θ	-179.9° -	- 179.9°	0.01°
Power Supply	y			
Battery	ST282	2/A	IEC 6LR61,	9V Alkaline battery
Model	ST282	2C	LH-200H7C,8.4V Ni-MH 200mAH rechargeable battery	
AC Adapter			Input230V(1±10%)50Hz(1± 5%) Output12V -15V DC	
Operating Current (with backlight off)			Max.:28mA Typical:25mA (@1kHz,100Ωload)	
Standby(Powe	er Off) C	urrent	Max. :2µA(Non-rechargeable)	
	ST282	2/A	16 Hours (typical) based on backlight off and new alkaline	
Battery Life	ST282	2C	6 Hours (typical) based on backlight off and new fully charged Ni-MH battery	
Charge Time and Current(ST2822C)			Max.: 80min Max. Current: 42mA	

Auto Power Off (valid for battery powered)		5min/15min/30min/60min/OFF available ;factory default :5min		
Low Voltage Indicator		below	When battery voltage drops below 6.8V, Low Voltage Indicator turns on	
General				
Operation	Temperature		0 40	
Condition	Relative Humidity		≤90% R.H.	
Weight			350g	
Dimensions (H ' V	V ´ D)		190mm ′ 90mm ′ 41mm	
Safety and EMC of	compliance		IEC 61010-1:2001 IEC 61326-2-1:2005	

## **Accuracy Specifications**

#### Notices:

- Environment temperature: 23°C±5°C;
   Humidity: ≤75% R.H.
- 2. Valid after 10 minutes of warm up time.
- 3. Test in measuring slots on front panel.
- Measurements performed after correct open and short correction.
- 5. Test in the recommended equivalent mode.
- Percentage accuracy representation:
   ±(%reading+ least significant digits)

- Actual measurement and display range may exceed the ranges in below table, but we do not specify its accuracy again.
- Subscript Explanation:
   s—series equivalent; p—parallel equivalent;
   e—accuracy
- Some parameters cannot be expressed as the way of data sheet; therefore they can just be converted by formulas according to corresponding results.

## Inductance (L) and Quality Factor (Q)

			Асси	Equi-	
F	Range	Display Range	Le	De *	valent Mode
	1000H	400.0H~1000.0H	1.00%+3	0.0100	Parallel
Hz	400H	40.00H~399.99H	0.35%+2	0.0035	Parallel
100Hz/120Hz	40H	4.000H~39.999H	0.25%+2	0.0025	Parallel
Z/1	4H	400.0mH~3.9999H	0.25%+2	0.0025	
H0	400mH	40.00mH~399.99mH	0.25%+2	0.0025	Series
10	40mH	4.000mH~39.999mH	0.45%+2	0.0045	Series
	4mH	0uH~3.999mH	1.40%+5		Series
Z	100H	40.00H~100.00H	1.00%+3	0.0100	Parallel
kHz	40H	4.000H~39.999H	0.35%+2	0.0035	Parallel
1	4H	400.0mH~3.9999H	0.25%+2	0.0025	Parallel

	400mH	40.00mH~399.99mH	0.25%+2	0.0025	
	40mH	4.000mH~39.999mH	0.25%+2	0.0025	Series
	4mH	400.0uH~3.9999mH	0.45%+2	0.0045	Series
	400µH	0.0uH~399.9µH	1.40%+5		Series
	1000mH	400.0mH~999.99mH	0.80%+3	0.0080	Parallel
	400mH	40.00mH~399.99mH	0.35%+2	0.0035	Parallel
10kHz	40mH	4.000mH~39.999mH	0.25%+2	0.0025	
8	4mH	400.0uH~3.9999mH	0.30%+2	0.0030	Series
_	400µH	40.00uH~399.99µH	0.45%+2	0.0045	Series
	40µH	0.00uH~39.99µH	1.40%+5		Series
	100mH	40.00mH~399.99mH	1.20%+5	0.0120	Parallel
N	40mH	4.000mH~39.999mH	0.80%+2	0.0080	Parallel
100kHz	4mH	400.0uH~3.9999mH	0.50%+2	0.0050	
00	400µH	40.00uH~399.99µH	0.50%+2	0.0050	Series
_	40µH	4.000uH~39.999µH	0.80%+5	0.0080	Series
	4µH	0.000uH~3.999µH	2.50%+10		Series

\*Note: Accuracy of De is assessed when De <0.5 Quality factor Q and Accuracy Qe is calculated by the following formula:

when 
$$Q_x \times D_e \leqslant 1$$
, 
$$Q_e = \pm \frac{Q_x^2 \times D_e}{1 \mp Q_x \times D_e}$$

Where,  $Q_x$  is the measurement value.

## Capacitance(C) and Dissipation (D)

			Accuracy		Equi-
F	Range	Display Range	Ce	De*	valent Mode
	20mF	4.000mF~20.000mF	5.00%+5	±0.0500	Series
N	4mF	400.0μF~3.9999mF	1.00%+3	±0.0100	Series
R	400µF	40.00μF~399.99μF	0.35%+2	±0.0035	Series
112	40µF	4.000μF~39.999μF	0.25%+2	±0.0025	Series
HZ	4µF	400.0nF~3.9999μF	0.25%+2	±0.0025	
100Hz/120Hz	400nF	40.00nF~399.99nF	0.25%+2	±0.0025	Parallel
_	40nF	4.000nF~39.999nF	0.35%+3	±0.0035	Parallel
	4nF	0pF~3.999nF	1.25%+5		Parallel
	1000μF	400.0μF~999.99μF	2.00%+5	±0.0200	Series
	400µF	40.00μF~399.99μF	1.00%+3	±0.0100	Series
	40µF	4.000μF~39.999μF	0.35%+2	±0.0035	Series
1kHz	4µF	400.0nF~3.9999μF	0.25%+2	±0.0025	Series
4	400nF	40.00nF~399.99nF	0.25%+2	±0.0025	
	40nF	4.000nF~39.999nF	0.25%+2	±0.0025	Parallel
	4nF	400.0pF~3.9999nF	0.35%+3	±0.0035	Parallel
	400pF	0.0pF~39.99nF	1.25%+5		Parallel

10kHz	100µF	40.00μF~100.00μF	3.00%+5	±0.0300	Series
	40µF	4.000μF~39.999μF	1.50%+3	±0.0150	Series
	4µF	400.0nF~3.9999μF	0.35%+2	±0.0035	Series
	400nF	40.00nF~399.99nF	0.25%+2	±0.0025	Series
	40nF	4.000nF~39.999nF	0.25%+2	±0.0025	
	4nF	400.0pF~3.9999nF	0.25%+2	±0.0025	Parallel
	400pF	40.00pF~399.99pF	0.35%+3	±0.0035	Parallel
	40pF	0.00pF~39.99pF	1.25%+5		Parallel
100kHz	10µF	4.000μF~10.000μF	6.00%+20	±0.0600	Series
	4µF	400.0nF~3.9999μF	2.50%+10	±0.0250	Series
	400nF	40.00nF~399.99nF	0.80%+5	±0.0080	Series
	40nF	4.000nF~39.999nF	0.50%+2	±0.0050	Series
	4nF	400.0pF~3.9999nF	0.50%+2	±0.0050	
	400pF	40.00pF~399.99pF	0.80%+2	±0.0080	Parallel
	40pF	4.000pF~39.999pF	1.20%+5	±0.0120	Parallel
	4pF	0.000pF~4.999pF	3.00%+10		Parallel

## Impedance (Ζ) and Phase Angle (θ)

Range		Display Range	Accuracy		Equi-
			Ze	<b>Ө</b> е	valent Mode
100Hz 10kHz	10ΜΩ	4. 000MΩ~10. 000MΩ	3. 00%+5	±1.75°	Parallel
	$4M\Omega$	400. 0kΩ~3. 9999MΩ	1. 25%+3	±0.75°	Parallel
	400kΩ	40. 00kΩ~399. 99kΩ	0.35%+2	±0.25°	Parallel
	$40 \mathrm{k}\Omega$	4. 000kΩ~39. 999kΩ	0. 25%+2	±0.15°	Parallel
	$4k\Omega$	400. 0Ω~3. 9999kΩ	0. 25%+2	±0.15°	
	400Ω	40. 00Ω~399. 99Ω	0. 25%+2	±0.15°	Series
	40Ω	4. 000Ω~39. 999Ω	0. 35%+2	±0.25°	Series
	$4\Omega$	0. 4000Ω~3. 9999Ω	1.00%+3	±0.60°	Series
	$0.4\Omega$	0. 0000Ω~0. 3999Ω	3. 00%+5		Series
100kHz	10MΩ	4. 000MΩ~10. 000MΩ	8.00%+20	±4.60°	Parallel
	$4M\Omega$	400. 0kΩ~3. 9999MΩ	3. 00%+10	±1.75°	Parallel
	400kΩ	40. 00kΩ~399. 99kΩ	1. 20%+5	±0.69°	Parallel
	40kΩ	4. 000kΩ~39. 999kΩ	0.80%+2	±0.46°	Parallel
	$4k\Omega$	400. 0Ω~3. 9999kΩ	0.50%+2	±0.30°	
	400Ω	40. 00Ω~399. 99Ω	0.50%+2	±0.30°	Series
	40Ω	4. 000Ω~39. 999Ω	0.80%+5	±0.46°	Series
	$4\Omega$	0. 4000Ω~3. 9999Ω	2. 50%+10	±1.43°	Series
	0. 4Ω	0. 0000Ω~0. 3999Ω	6. 00%+20		Series

\*Note: Accuracy of De is assessed when De <0.5

### Equivalent Series Resistance

Accuracy of equivalent series resistance is calculated by below formula:

Rse = 
$$\pm X_x \times \phi_e$$

Where,  $X_{_{\scriptscriptstyle Y}}$  is measured reactance,

$$X_{x} = 2\pi f I_{x}$$
or 
$$X_{x} = \frac{1}{2\pi f} C_{x}$$

 $\phi_{\scriptscriptstyle \rho}$  is the phase angle accuracy,

$$\phi_e = \theta_e \times \frac{\pi}{180}$$

Notice: the accuracies of ESR and Rs are same.

#### Equivalent Parallel Resistance

Accuracy of equivalent series resistance is calculated according to the below formula:

$$Rpe = \pm \frac{R_{px} \times \phi_e}{D_{..} \mp \phi_e}$$

 $R_{px}$  is the measured value of Rp, Dx is the measured value of dissipation.

## **Maintenance**

WARNING: Do not perform any service by yourself. Service should only be done by qualified personnel and trained technicians.

WARNING: Beware of liquid and residues, especially conductive matter.

#### **Service**

If the instrument fails to power on, first check battery, external source and power sockets and the validity of buttons.

If the measurement result is abnormal, first inspect the condition of test accessories and damage of reed in

test slots. See operation manual for information of correct operation.

Do not replace components. Contact the after-sale department of our company or relevant distributors for uncertain maintenance.

The meter must be turned off or removed from external power before replacing battery. See Installing Battery section for details.

## Cleaning

Before cleaning this meter, make sure the power is OFF and remove external AC adapter if one is used. To avoid electrical shock or damaging the meter, prevent water from getting inside the case. In the case that water gets inside, remove the battery immediately and do not operate the instrument immediately.

To clean the meter, wipe the dirty parts with a soft cloth soaked with diluted neutral detergent. Avoid having the instrument too wet to prevent the detergent from penetrating into the inside components of the meter, causing damages.

After cleaning, make sure the instrument is completely dried before operating it again.

## **Limited Warranty**

The instrument, component parts and accessories will be free from defects in workmanship and materials for a period of one year from date of purchase.

Sourcetronic will, without charge, repair or replace, at its option, defective product or component parts.

Returned product must be accompanied by proof of the purchase date in the form of a sales receipt and the included accessories.

This warranty does not apply in the event of misuse or abuse of the product or as a result of unauthorized alterations or repairs.

The warranty is void if the serial number is altered, defaced or removed.

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