

# Agilent U1730C Series Handheld LCR Meters

Take your expectations higher with  
the latest LCR meters

## Data Sheet



Agilent's U1730C Series handheld LCR meters allow you to measure at frequencies as high as 100 kHz—a capability typically found only in benchtop meters. Get measurements done faster using the one-touch automatic identification function button which displays component type and more detailed component analysis such as Z, ESR, and DCR. Ideal for testing on the go, these LCR meters operate on a battery that lasts up to 16 hours. With the U1730C Series that is built for your convenience, you can perform quick and basic LCR measurements at an affordable price.

It's a good time to retool your expectations in handheld LCR meters.



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# Features

## Key features

- 20,000 counts resolution
- 0.2% basic accuracy
- Wide LCR ranges with three to five selectable test frequencies (up to 100 kHz for U1733C)
- Auto identification (*Ai*) automatically determines and displays component type and measurements
- Detailed component analysis with DCR, ESR, Z, D, Q, and  $\theta$  functions
- Battery life of 16 hours/AC-powered
- IR-to-USB connectivity for data logging to PC

## Frequency up to 100 kHz

The test frequency now extends as high as 100 kHz, providing more flexibility to test a wider range of components. A higher test frequency, for example 100 kHz, is useful for applications such as testing aluminum electrolytic capacitors used in switching power supply circuits.

## Automated identification

With *Ai* the testing and measuring experience is easy; eliminating unnecessary trial and error time—with just a single push of a button. This unique feature automatically specifies L, C, or R with parallel and series mode, without the need to manually change buttons.

## Detailed component analysis

The handheld LCR meters allows you to test various component types, including secondary components of Dissipation Factor (D), Quality Factor (Q), and Angle Indication of Impedance ( $\theta$ ). This new handheld series also includes other functions that result in a more detailed component analysis. For example, the built-in Equivalent Series Resistance (ESR) function helps you better understand the inherent resistance behavior typically found in capacitors across selected frequencies. DCR is a built-in DC resistance measurement that eliminates the use of a separate digital multimeter (DMM) for component test.

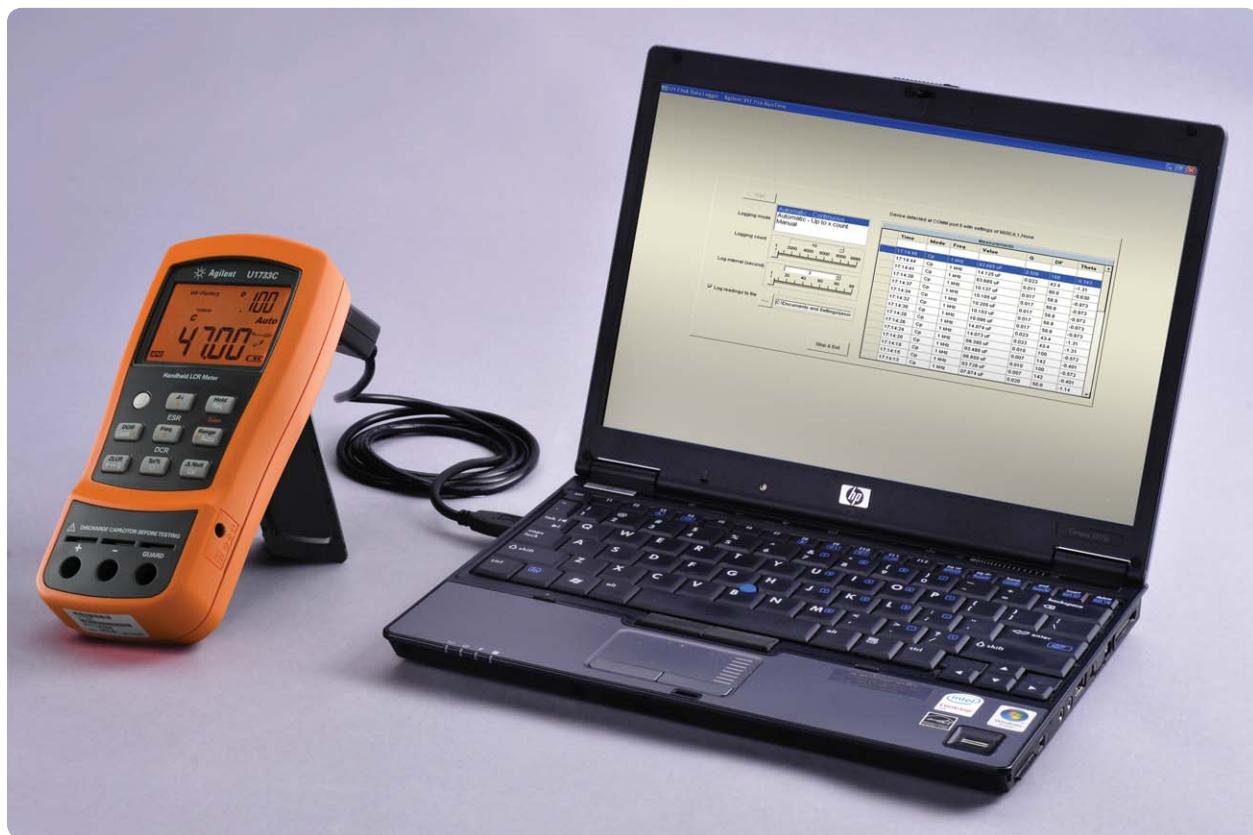


Figure 1. Automate the recording of continuous readings when you hook the U1731C/U1732C/U1733C to a PC

## Take a Closer Look



Figure 2. Front view of the U1733C

# U1731C/U1732C/U1733C Electrical Specifications

Accuracy is given as  $\pm$ (% of reading + counts of least significant digit) at  $23^\circ\text{C} \pm 5^\circ\text{C}$ , with relative humidity less than 80%. Please refer to the User Guide about the measuring mode specified for each range of L/C/R, series or parallel mode. Measurements performed at the test socket and necessary Open and Short corrections must prior be done. The accuracy is verified by design and specified type tests.

Impedance/Resistance		Accuracy = AZ + Offset					
Range	Resolution	U1731C/U1732C/U1733C			U1732C/U1733C	U1733C	
		100 Hz	120 Hz	1 kHz	10 kHz	100 kHz	DCR
2 $\Omega^1$	0.0001 $\Omega$	0.7% + 50	0.7% + 50	0.7% + 50	0.7% + 50	1.0% + 50	0.7% + 50
20 $\Omega^1$	0.001 $\Omega$	0.7% + 8	0.7% + 8	0.7% + 8	0.7% + 8	0.7% + 8	0.7% + 8
200 $\Omega^1$	0.01 $\Omega$	0.2% + 3	0.2% + 3	0.2% + 3	0.2% + 3	0.5% + 5	0.2% + 3
2000 $\Omega$	0.1 $\Omega$	0.2% + 3	0.2% + 3	0.2% + 3	0.2% + 3	0.5% + 5	0.2% + 3
20 k $\Omega$	0.001 k $\Omega$	0.2% + 3	0.2% + 3	0.2% + 3	0.2% + 3	0.5% + 5	0.2% + 3
200 k $\Omega$	0.01 k $\Omega$	0.5% + 5	0.5% + 5	0.5% + 5	0.5% + 5	0.7% + 8	0.5% + 5
2000 k $\Omega$	0.1 k $\Omega$	0.5% + 5	0.5% + 5	0.5% + 5	0.7% + 5	NA	0.5% + 5
20 M $\Omega$	0.001 M $\Omega$	2.0% + 8	2.0% + 8	2.0% + 8	5.0% + 8	NA	2.0% + 8
200 M $\Omega$	0.01 M $\Omega$	6.0% + 80	6.0% + 80	NA	NA	NA	6.0% + 80

- This accuracy for the ranges of 2~200  $\Omega$  is specified after Math Null which is used to substrate the resistance of test leads and the contact resistance.

## Notes:

- For the ranges of 20 M $\Omega$  and 200 M $\Omega$ , the R.H. is specified for < 60%
- Resistance is specified to Q < 10 and D > 0.1, otherwise the accuracy is  $(AZ + \text{Offset}) \times \sqrt{1 + Q^2}$
- Equivalence Series Resistance (ESR) measurement is determined by impedance measurement and range. The maximum display is up to 199.99 k $\Omega$  and the accuracy is  $(AZ + \text{Offset}) \times \sqrt{1 + Q^2}$

Capacitance		Accuracy = AC + Offset					
Range	Resolution	U1731C/U1732C/U1733C			U1732C/U1733C	U1733C	
		100 Hz	120 Hz	1 kHz	10 kHz	100 kHz	
20 mF	0.001 mF	0.5% + 8	0.5% + 8	NA	NA	NA	
2000 $\mu\text{F}$	0.1 $\mu\text{F}$	0.5% + 5	0.5% + 5	0.5% + 8	NA	NA	
200 $\mu\text{F}$	0.01 $\mu\text{F}$	0.3% + 3	0.3% + 3	0.5% + 5	0.5% + 8	NA	
20 $\mu\text{F}$	0.001 $\mu\text{F}$	0.2% + 3	0.2% + 3	0.2% + 3	0.5% + 5	5.0% + 10	
2000 nF	0.1 nF	0.2% + 3	0.2% + 3	0.2% + 3	0.2% + 3	0.7% + 10	
200 nF	0.01 nF	0.2% + 3	0.2% + 3	0.2% + 3	0.5% + 3	0.7% + 10	
20 nF	0.001 nF	0.5% + 5	0.5% + 5	0.2% + 3	0.5% + 3	0.7% + 10	
2000 pF <sup>1</sup>	0.1 pF	0.5% + 10	0.5% + 10	0.5% + 5	0.5% + 3	2.0% + 10	
200 pF <sup>1</sup>	0.01 pF	NA	NA	0.5% + 10	0.8% + 10	2.0% + 10	
20 pF <sup>1</sup>	0.001 pF	NA	NA	NA	1.0% + 20	2.5% + 10	

- This accuracy for the ranges of 20 pF~2000 pF is specified after Math Null which is used to substrate the stray capacitances for test leads.

## Notes:

- The accuracy for the ceramic capacitor will be influenced depending on the dielectric constant (K) of the material used to make the ceramic capacitor. For related influence factors, please refer to the *Component dependency factors* section in the *Impedance Measurement Handbook*, downloadable for free at <http://www.agilent.com/find/lcrmeters>

# U1731C/U1732C/U1733C Electrical Specifications

Inductance		Accuracy = AL + Offset				
Range	Resolution	U1731C/U1732C/U1733C			U1732C/U1733C	U1733C
		100 Hz	120 Hz	1 kHz	10 kHz	100 kHz
20 $\mu$ H	0.001 $\mu$ H	NA	NA	NA	1.0% + 5	2.5% + 20
200 $\mu$ H	0.01 $\mu$ H	NA	NA	1.0% + 5	0.7% + 3	2.5% + 20
2000 $\mu$ H	0.1 $\mu$ H	0.7% + 10	0.7% + 10	0.5% + 3	0.5% + 3	0.8% + 20
20 mH	0.001 mH	0.5% + 3	0.5% + 3	0.2% + 3	0.3% + 3	0.8% + 10
200 mH	0.01 mH	0.5% + 3	0.5% + 3	0.2% + 3	0.2% + 3	1.0% + 10
2000 mH	0.1 mH	0.2% + 3	0.2% + 3	0.2% + 3	0.5% + 5	1.0% + 10
20 H	0.001 H	0.2% + 3	0.2% + 3	0.5% + 5	1.0% + 5	2.0% + 10
200 H	0.01 H	0.7% + 5	0.7% + 5	1.0% + 5	2.0% + 8	NA
2000 H	0.1 H	1.0% + 5	1.0% + 5	2.0% + 8	NA	NA

Phase Angle of Impedance				
Range	Resolution	Accuracy ( $\theta_e$ )	Condition	
-180° ~180°	0.1°/1°	(AZ + Offset/Zx) x180/ $\pi$	D < 1 or Q > 1	
Impedance	Zx	AZ	Offset	$\theta_e$
1999.9 $\Omega$	19999	0.2%	3	$\pm 0.12^\circ$
199.9 $\Omega$	1999	0.2%	3	$\pm 0.20^\circ$
19.9 $\Omega$	199	0.2%	3	$\pm 0.98^\circ$
1.9 $\Omega$	19	0.2%	3	$\pm 9.16^\circ$

Notes:

- Specifications are applicable to all models (U1731C, U1732C, and U1733C) unless specified
- The "AZ" and Offset are the accuracy specified at impedance
- The " $\pi$ " is approximately 3.14159

Dissipation/Quality Factor				
Function	Range	Accuracy (De)	Condition	
Z	0.001~999	AZ + Offset/Zx x 100% + 3	D < 1 or Q > 1	
L	0.001~999	AL + Offset/Lx x 100% + 3	D < 1 or Q > 1	
C	0.001~999	AC + Offset/Cx x 100% + 3	D < 1 or Q > 1	
Capacitance	Cx	AC	Offset	De
88.88 $\mu$ F	8888	0.2%	3	0.203% + 3

Notes:

- Specifications are applicable to all models (U1731C, U1732C, and U1733C) unless specified
- The "AZ, AL, AC" and Offset are the accuracy specified at Impedance, Inductance, and Capacitance, respectively
- The Zx, Lx, and Cx are the display count of the reading. For example, the Cx is 8888 as if the capacitance is 88.88  $\mu$ F for the range of 200  $\mu$ F.
- The Quality Factor is the reciprocal of Dissipation Factor

# U1731C/U1732C/U1733C Electrical Specifications

Test Signal		Test signal level		Test frequency	
Model	Selection	Level	Accuracy	Frequency	Accuracy
U1731C/U1732C/U1733C	100 Hz	0.74 Vrms	0.05 Vrms	100 Hz	0.01%
	120 Hz	0.74 Vrms	0.05 Vrms	120.481 Hz	0.01%
	1 kHz	0.74 Vrms	0.05 Vrms	1 kHz	0.01%
U1732C/U1733C	10 kHz	0.70 Vrms	0.05 Vrms	10 kHz	0.01%
U1733C	100 kHz	0.70 Vrms	0.05 Vrms	100 kHz	0.01%
	DCR	+1.235 V	0.05 V	NA	NA

Source Impedance of Impedance/Resistance Measurement						
Range	Typical source impedance					
	100 Hz	120 Hz	1 kHz	10 kHz	100 kHz	DCR
2 Ω	100 Ω	100 Ω	100 Ω	100 Ω	100 Ω	100 Ω
20 Ω	100 Ω	100 Ω	100 Ω	100 Ω	100 Ω	100 Ω
200 Ω	100 Ω	100 Ω	100 Ω	100 Ω	100 Ω	100 Ω
2000 Ω	1 kΩ	1 kΩ	1 kΩ	1 kΩ	1 kΩ	1 kΩ
20 kΩ	10 kΩ	10 kΩ	10 kΩ	10 kΩ	1 kΩ	10 kΩ
200 kΩ	100 kΩ	100 kΩ	100 kΩ	10 kΩ	1 kΩ	100 kΩ
2000 kΩ	100 kΩ	100 kΩ	100 kΩ	10 kΩ	NA	100 kΩ
20 MΩ	100 kΩ	100 kΩ	100 kΩ	100 kΩ	NA	100 kΩ
200 MΩ	100 kΩ	100 kΩ	100 kΩ	NA	NA	100 kΩ

Source Impedance of Capacitance Measurement					
Range	Typical source impedance				
	100 Hz	120 Hz	1 kHz	10 kHz	100 kHz
20 mF	100 Ω	100 Ω	NA	NA	NA
2000 μF	100 Ω	100 Ω	100 Ω	NA	NA
200 μF	100 Ω	100 Ω	100 Ω	100 Ω	NA
20 μF	100 Ω	100 Ω	100 Ω	100 Ω	100 Ω
2000 nF	1 kΩ	1 kΩ	100 Ω	100 Ω	100 Ω
200 nF	10 kΩ	10 kΩ	1 kΩ	100 Ω	100 Ω
20 nF	100 kΩ	100 kΩ	10 kΩ	1 kΩ	100 Ω
2000 pF	100 kΩ	100 kΩ	100 kΩ	10 kΩ	1 kΩ
200 pF	NA	NA	100 kΩ	10 kΩ	1 kΩ
20 pF	NA	NA	NA	100 kΩ	1 kΩ

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	<b>100 Hz</b>	<b>120 Hz</b>	<b>1 kHz</b>	<b>10 kHz</b>	<b>100 kHz</b>
20 $\mu$ H	NA	NA	NA	100 $\Omega$	100 $\Omega$
200 $\mu$ H	NA	NA	100 $\Omega$	100 $\Omega$	100 $\Omega$
2000 $\mu$ H	100 $\Omega$	100 $\Omega$	100 $\Omega$	100 $\Omega$	100 $\Omega$
20 mH	100 $\Omega$	100 $\Omega$	100 $\Omega$	100 $\Omega$	100 $\Omega$
200 mH	100 $\Omega$	100 $\Omega$	100 $\Omega$	1 k $\Omega$	1 k $\Omega$
2000 mH	100 $\Omega$	100 $\Omega$	1 k $\Omega$	10 k $\Omega$	1 k $\Omega$
20 H	1 k $\Omega$	1 k $\Omega$	10 k $\Omega$	10 k $\Omega$	1 k $\Omega$
200 H	10 k $\Omega$	10 k $\Omega$	100 k $\Omega$	100 k $\Omega$	NA
2000 H	100 k $\Omega$	100 k $\Omega$	100 k $\Omega$	NA	NA

## General Specifications

Parameter	U1731C	U1732C	U1733C
Measurements	Z/L/C/R/D/Q/θ/ESR	Z/L/C/R/D/Q/θ/ESR	Z/L/C/R/D/Q/θ/ESR/DCR
Display	Primary display: Maximum display 19,999 counts Secondary display: Maximum display 999 counts Automatic polarity indication		
Test frequency (Accuracy = ± 0.1% of actual test frequency)	100 Hz, 120 Hz, 1 kHz	100 Hz, 120 Hz, 1 kHz, 10 kHz	100 Hz, 120 Hz, 1 kHz, 10 kHz, 100 kHz
Backlight	No	Yes	Yes
Test signal level	Selection	Test signal level	Test frequency
	100 Hz	0.74 Vrms	100 Hz
	120 Hz	0.74 Vrms	120.481 Hz
	1 kHz	0.74 Vrms	1 kHz
	10 kHz <sup>1</sup>	0.74 Vrms	10 kHz
	100 kHz <sup>2</sup>	0.74 Vrms	100 kHz
	DCR <sup>2</sup>	+1.235 V	NA
Tolerance mode	1%, 5%, 10%, 20%		
Ranging mode	Auto and manual		
Measurement rate	1 time/second, nominal		
Response time	Approximately 1 second/DUT (Device Under Test)		
Auto power-off	~0-99 mins without operation		
Power supply	Single standard 9 V battery (alkaline or carbon-zinc) or optional power adaptor		
Power consumption	225 mVA maximum without backlight		
Input protection fuse	Resettable over-current protection		
Battery life	16 hours based on alkaline battery		
Low battery indicator	[  ] will appear when voltage drops below ~7.2 V		
Operating temperature	-10 to 55 °C, 0 to 80% R.H.		
Storage temperature	-20 to 70 °C, 0 to 80% R.H. without battery		
Temperature coefficient	0.1 × (specified accuracy)/°C (from -10 to 18 °C or 28 to 55 °C)		
Relative humidity	Maximum 80% R.H. for temperature up to 30 °C decreasing linearly to 50% R.H. at 55 °C		
Weight	337 grams with battery		
Dimensions (H x W x D)	184 mm x 87 mm x 41 mm		
Safety and EMC Compliance	In compliance with EN61010-1 (IEC61010-1:2001) for low voltage directive and Pollution Degree II Environment. Susceptibility and Emissions (EMC): Commercial Limits per EN61326-1		
Calibration	One-year calibration cycle recommended		
Warranty	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 3 years for main unit</li> <li>• 3 months for standard shipped accessories</li> </ul>		

1. Only applicable for U1732C/U1733C

2. Only applicable for U1733C

# Ordering Information



## Standard shipped items

Standard U1731C, U1732C, and U1733C ordering include:

- Quick Start Guide
- Certificate of Calibration (CoC)
- Alligator clip leads
- 9 V alkaline battery

## Recommended accessories

U1731P



### Combo Kit

Includes one U1731C handheld and four accessories:

- U5491A soft carrying case
- U5481A IR-to-USB cable
- U1780A AC adaptor
- U1782A SMD tweezer

U1732P



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### Soft carrying case

U5481A



### IR-to-USB cable

U1782A



### SMB tweezer

U1780A



### Power adaptor and cord (according to country)

U1781A



### Alligator clip leads