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# Tagformance<sup>®</sup> Pro Readformance Protocol Analyzer

RAIN RFID and NFC Testing and Measurement  
Systems for Research & Development



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# **TAGFORMANCE PRO**



## All-in-one RFID Test and Measurement System for Research & Development

Voyantic Tagformance Pro is a complete measurement solution for evaluating the performance of RFID tags. The system consists of the Tagformance Pro measurement device, one or more software packages, and accessories that complete the system.

Whether you focus on tag design, item tagging, protocol testing, technical sales or academic research, we can provide you with the most suitable software tools and hardware accessories.

## Features & Benefits

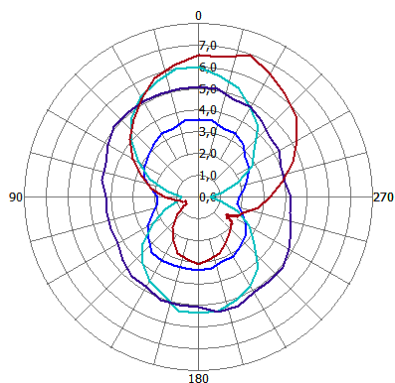


### Key Features and Functionalities

- **Easy to use** solution with **unbeatable measurement accuracy**
- Analyze tuning, sensitivity and radiation pattern of RFID and NFC tags
- Test the effect of materials, orientation, behavior in a population, and compare performance between different tag designs
- Study different tagging strategies, and evaluate and grade performance of tagged items
- Look into tag memory contents and investigate chip performance
- Verify tag designs and check emissions against official EMC directives

## Gain Full Visibility into Tag Performance

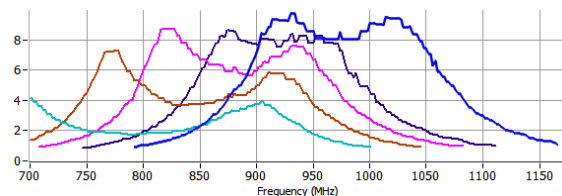
There are several factors affecting the performance of RFID and NFC tags. Tune your tags correctly, and characterize them for sensitivity, backscatter strength and load modulation.



Different orientation patterns of UHF tags

## Speed up Your Time to Market

With Tagformance Pro you get instant feedback on new tag designs. Performance of a new tag design can be tested in a few seconds, allowing for rapid prototyping.



Read range and tuning of a UHF tag on different materials

## Use a Single Tool for All RFID Tags

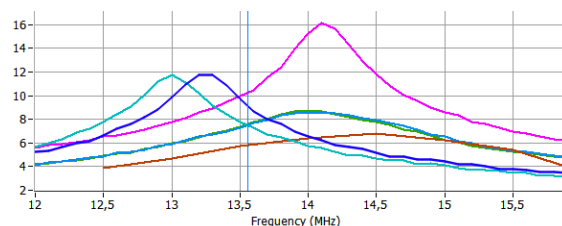
Use the same test system for all RFID tags: UHF, HF or NFC. Tagformance Pro supports all widely used RFID protocols.



RFID measurement cabinet in a lab

## Conduct Cost-efficient Comparison and Selection

Different tags work in different applications and choosing the right one can be a nightmare. Minimize trial-and-error and choose your tags with professional test equipment.



Read range and tuning of different HF tags

## Implement High Quality RFID Systems

Using high-quality professional testing equipment results in better performance. When tags are designed and selected with Voyantic Tagformance Pro, you can deliver high-quality and reliable RFID systems.

## Gain Competitive Advantage

Boost the efficiency of your technical sales by providing customers comprehensive performance data to help them make more informed decisions.

## HARDWARE LICENSES

- **Tagformance Pro HW license (UHF 800-1000 MHz)** TF-HWL-UHF  
  
800 MHz – 1000 MHz hardware license is compatible with UHF Standard antenna.
- **Tagformance Pro HW license (UHF 600-1300 MHz)** TFHW-PWB  
  
600 MHz – 1300 MHz hardware license is compatible with UHF Wideband antenna. Wideband gives additional visibility to frequency domain and is recommended for testing tags with high detuning, such as tags for glass and rubber.
- **Tagformance Pro HW license and Threshold Sweep (UHF 860-960 MHz)** TF-HWL-STARTER  
  
860 MHz – 960 MHz hardware license covers UHF RFID reader frequencies. The license includes Threshold sweep software.
- **Tagformance Pro HW license (HF 10 MHz - 30 MHz)** TF-HWL-HF

# HARDWARE





## HARDWARE SPECIFICATIONS

UHF Frequency Range:	Standard Sweep range: 800 MHz – 1000 MHz Extended Sweep range: 600 MHz – 1300 MHz Resolution: 100 kHz
UHF Output Power:	Typical radiated max 36 dBm (see manual for details), with High Power Kit over 40 dBm Minimum: -20 dBm (port) Resolution: 0.1 dB, Accuracy: +/-1 dB Repeatability: <0,5dBm (typical)*
UHF Receiver:	Sensitivity: better than -85dBm (typical) for Class1 Gen2, max input +18 dBm Resolution: 0.1 dB, accuracy +/-1 dB Repeatability: <0,5dBm (typical)*
HF/NFC Frequency:	Sweep range: 10 MHz – 30 MHz Resolution: 10 kHz
HF/NFC Output Power:	-10 dBm ... +25 dBm Resolution: 0.1 dB, Accuracy: +/-1 dB
HF/NFC Receiver:	Max input power +25 dBm
Dimensions:	185 x 90 x 220 mm
Connectors:	4 RF ports: N-type (UHF TX, UHF RX, HF TX, HF RX) PC interface: Ethernet (RJ-45) Power: 18 VDC, 5A Digital analog I/O: 25-pin D-sub RS232: 9-pin D-sub , e.g. RFU

\*Test-retest variation depends on, for example, the test setup, the tested tag, and the protocol settings.

We offer six software suites and various extensions:

## UHF SOFTWARE LICENSES

- **Tag Designer Suite** TF-SW-TDS

A software suite focusing on the performance of one RAIN RFID tag at a time. Verify tag designs, produce performance data for tag datasheets, compare tags and define how a tag performs on different items.

- **Application Development Suite** TF-SW-ADS

A software suite focusing on the RAIN RFID application. Includes applications for optimizing antenna placement, studying interferences and for studying performance of tag populations.

- **Protocol Testing Suite** TF-SW-PTS

A software package focusing on the IC. Includes applications for looking into tag response details to various commands, and for memory and memory content of the ICs.

- **Tagged-Item Grading Suite** TF-SW-TGS

- **ARC Pre-compliance Testing Suite** TF-SW-ARC

Tagged-Item Grading Suite and ARC pre-compliance Testing Suite are applications for characterizing tag and tagged item performance according to performance standards.

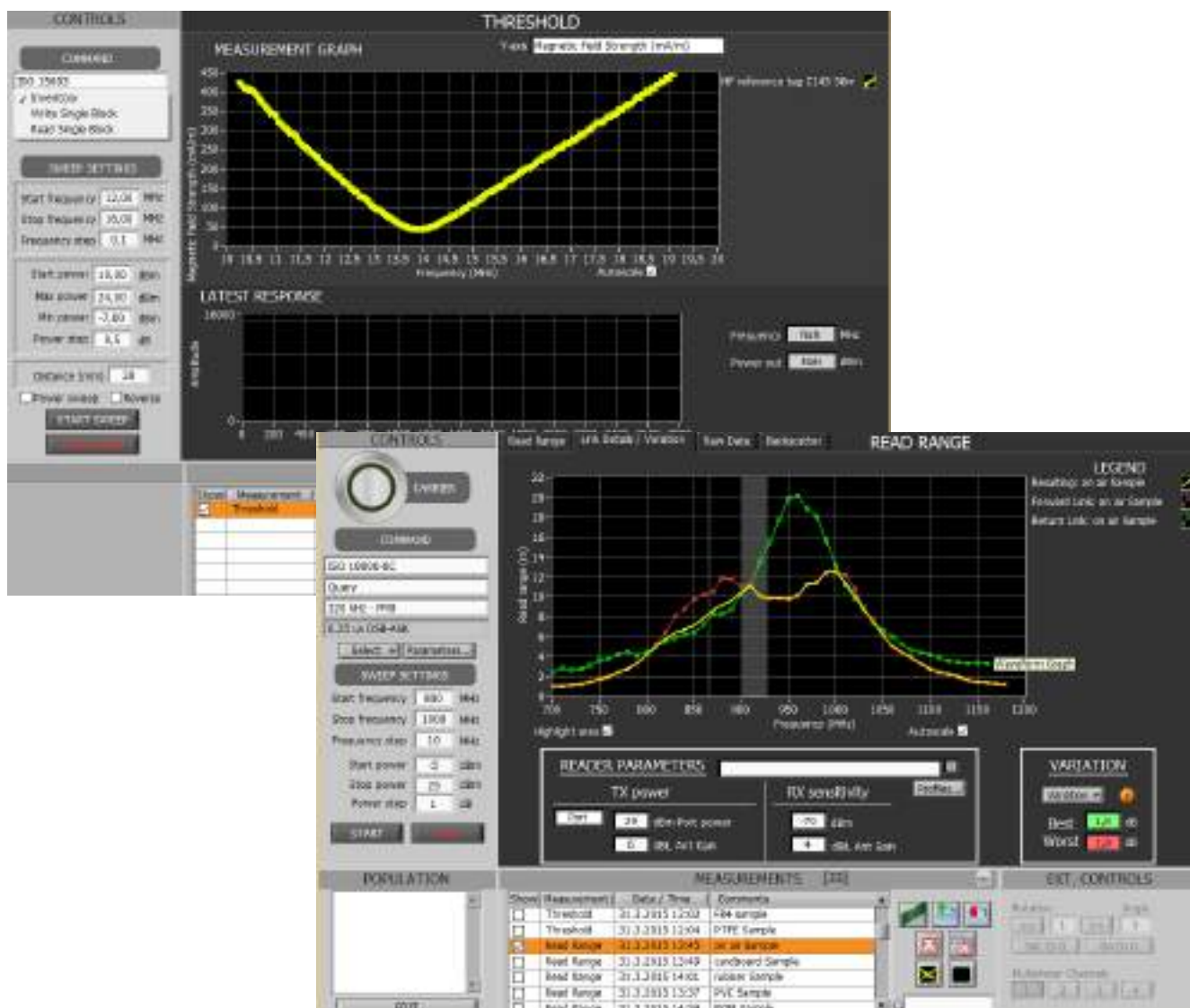
- **UHF Extensions**

Various extensions enhance the functionalities of the main software suites. These can be used for further automation, and for including additional protocols for the test system.

## HF SOFTWARE

- **Performance Measurement Suite** TFH-SW-PER

# SOFTWARE



Tagformance software comes with an intuitive GUI for running the measurements and analysis of the performance data. The system is designed to minimize user errors and measurements are easy to repeat with the same settings. Informative, visual representation of the measurement results helps with the analysis.

The UHF software enables the user to remove unwanted environmental and system factors in order to get correct absolute results, regardless of path loss and typical reflections in the test environment.

Data can be analysed within the user interface, exported to other applications, and shared via e-mail as .tff files. Tagformance software can also be used without hardware in viewer mode for data analysis.

# UHF Software: Tag Designer Suite

## THRESHOLD



The Threshold measurement sweeps through the selected frequency range and detects the minimum required transmit power for the correct tag response at each frequency point.

These threshold sweep curves give a clear view of the tag's tuning and sensitivity. In the above example, it can be clearly seen how the acetal plastic tunes the tag towards lower frequencies.

The test can be done using EPC Class1 Gen2 (ISO 18000-6C) with several commands

and data rates. ISO 18000-6B, GB/T29768, Brazilian protocols such as SINIAV, support for custom commands and support for custom protocols are also available.

The command set and the protocol support are the same throughout the Tag Designer Suite. Results can be expressed as transmit power, backscatter power, dRCS, read range, backscatter range, power on tag, etc.

Verify performance and tuning of new tag designs

Measure the detuning and read range of a tag on different items and materials

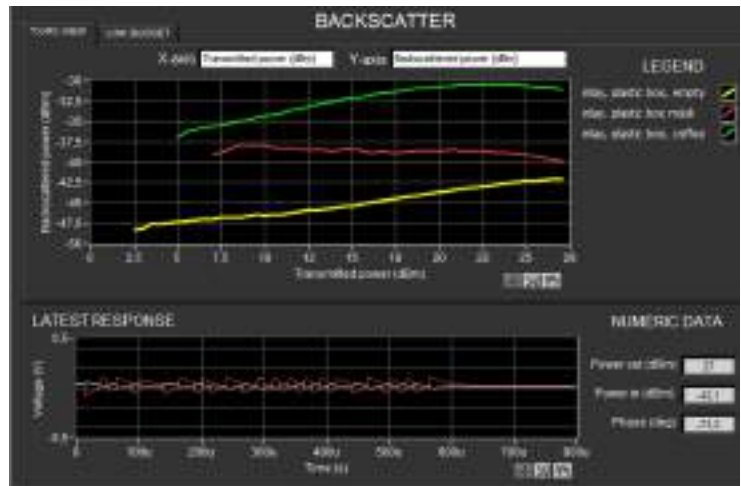
Compare tags, tag positions and antennas from a reader's point of view

Compare simulated and measured results

## BACKSCATTER

The Backscatter measurement performs a power sweep on a selected frequency while measuring the tag's response signal strength. The point where the curve starts is the threshold point.

This measurement helps to ensure that the tag performs continuously on all power levels.

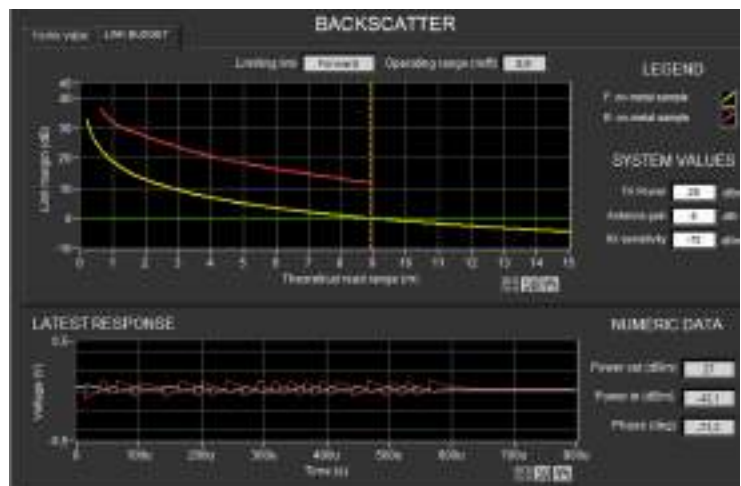


Measure the tag's power response  
Check for continuous operation at all transmit powers  
Study close coupling of tags

## BACKSCATTER LINK BUDGET

This is an easy tool for simulating how the measured tag would perform in an application with given reader transmit power, antenna gain, and receiver sensitivity.

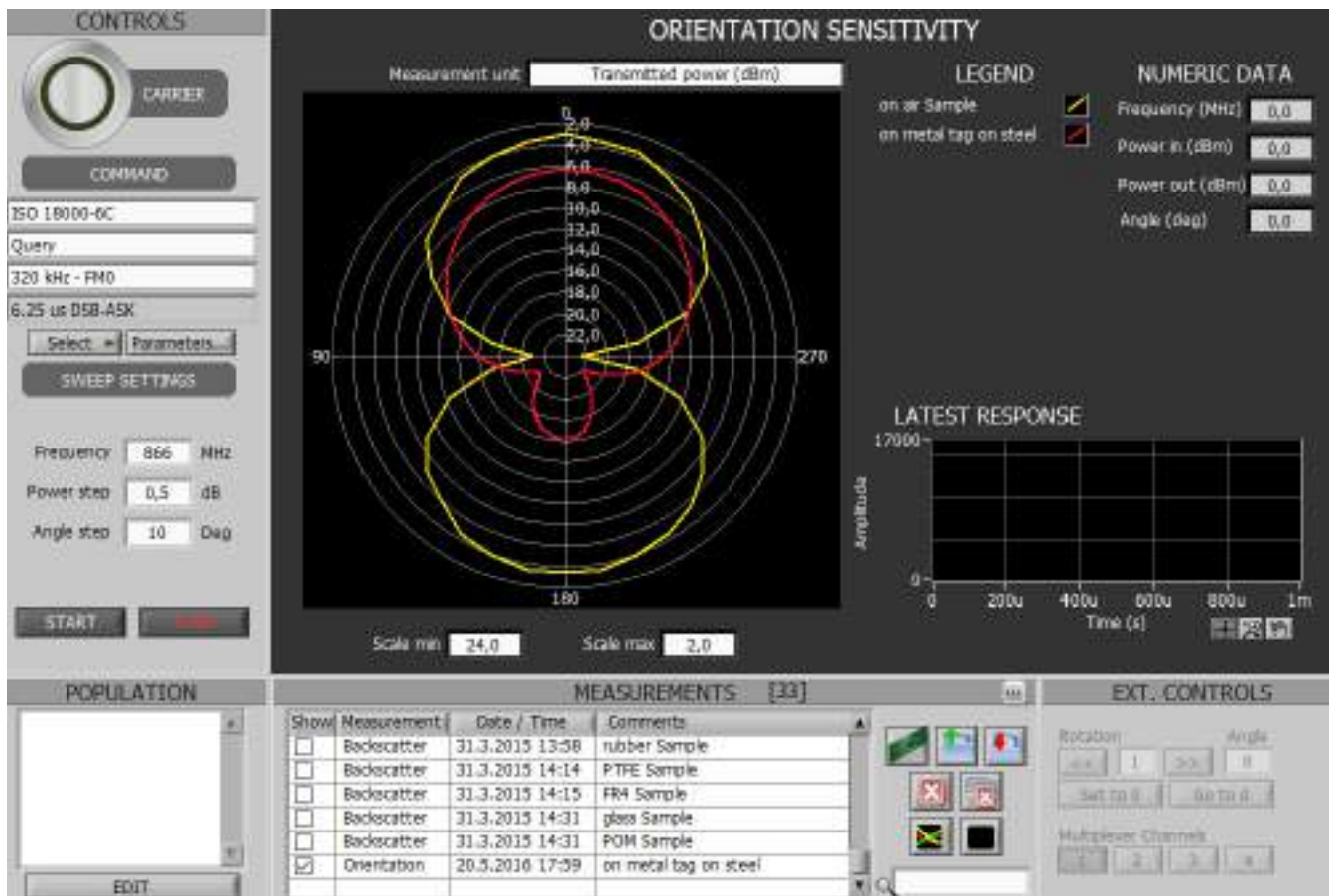
The software calculates the operating range and indicates whether the forward or reverse link is the limiting factor.



Find out easily whether the tag is forward or reverse link limited  
Check the expected read range and link margin with a given reader  
Compare different tags with specific system values (or vice versa)



## ORIENTATION SENSITIVITY

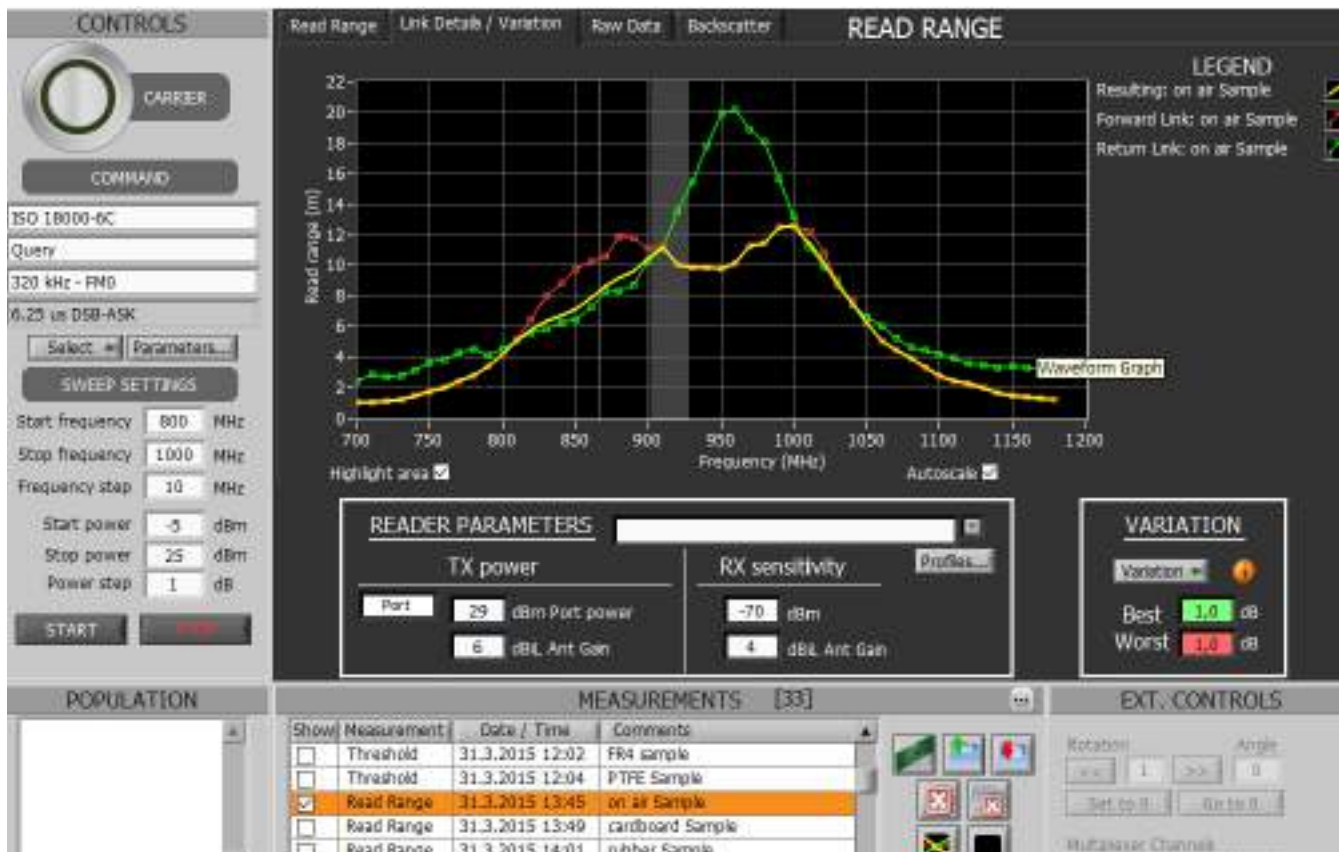


The Orientation Sensitivity measurement enables automated radiation pattern measurements for tags and tagged objects. The Voyantic RFID Measurement Cabinets

with the tag rotation and stand-alone Tag Rotation System integrate seamlessly with this measurement.

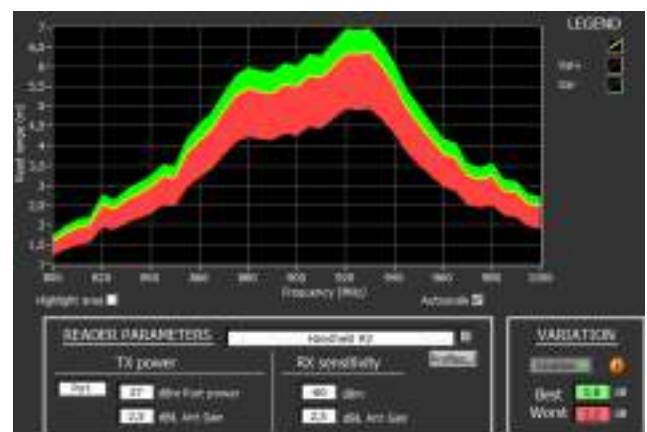
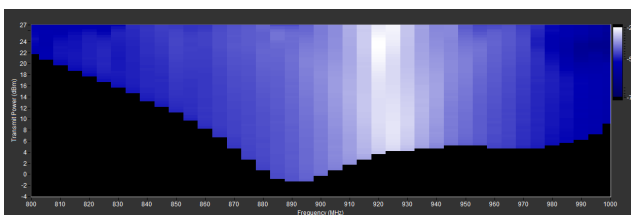
Measure the radiation pattern of tags and tagged objects, also in tag populations  
Find out the optimal placement for a tag on a chosen item  
Experiment the effect of tagged item shapes and materials on the radiation pattern

## READ RANGE



The Read Range measurement enables easy read range calculation on a frequency range with set reader transmit power and sensitivity specified by the user. The measurement allows quick estimation of the system level performance with a given tag and RFID reader.

The Raw data mode (below) shows the power response as a function of frequency. This allows excellent visibility to the tag's behavior through the frequency and power range. Select+query command (optional) can be used to analyze tags in a population for continuity of the response.

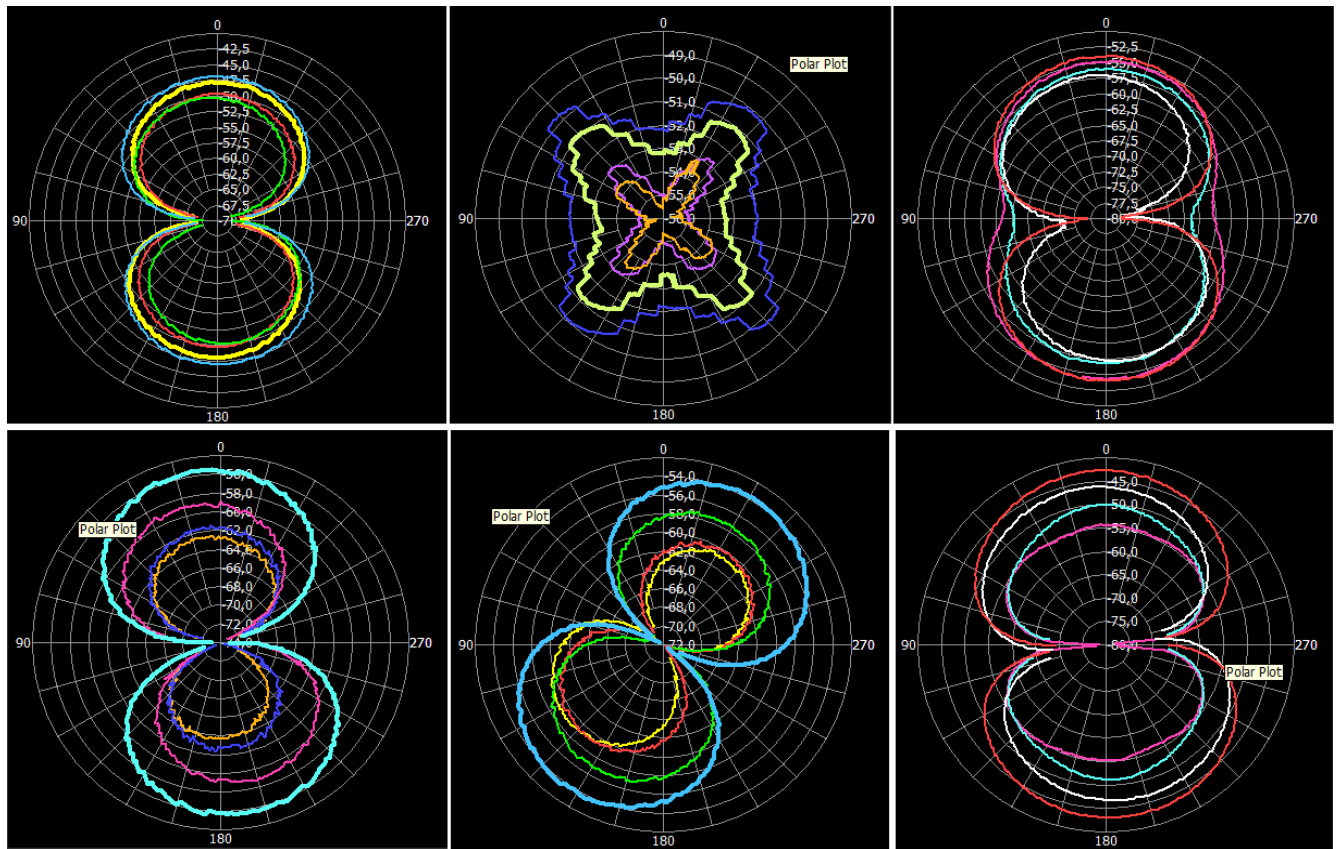


Check the System Level Expected Read Range with given reader parameters  
 AND effect on the operating range caused by production variation  
 Verify your tag choice with application-specific objects and reader parameters  
 Study the backscatter behavior in detail with raw data mode

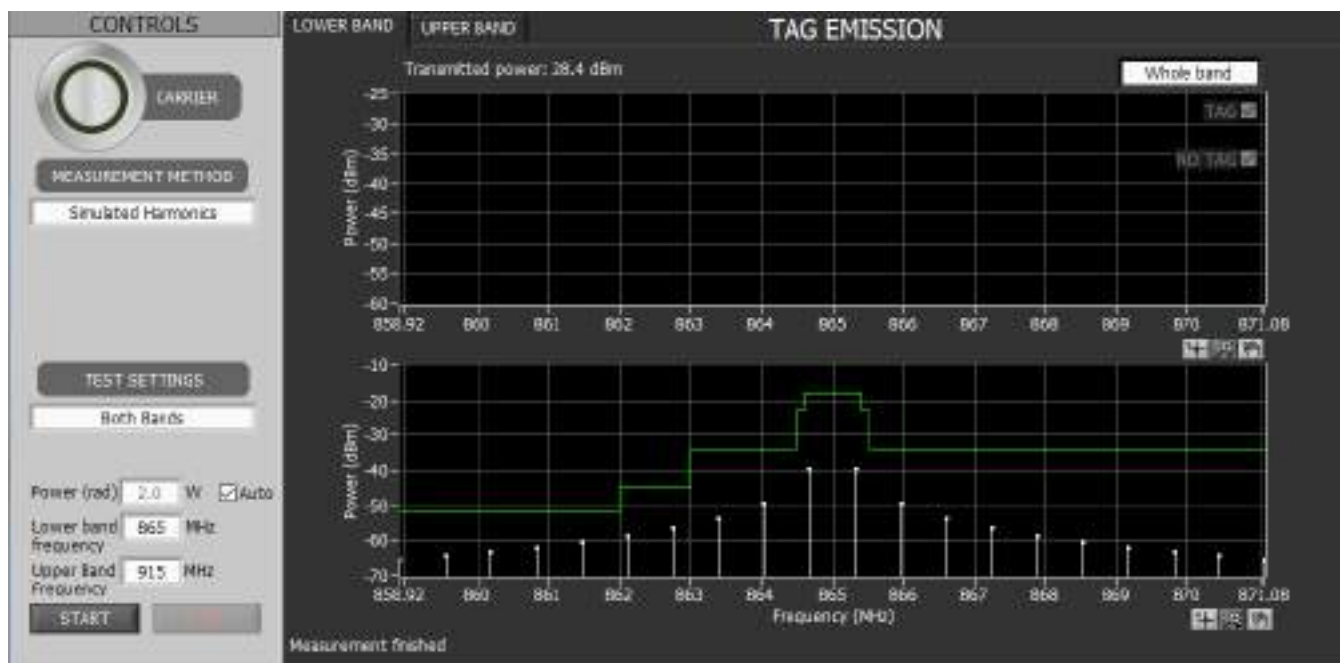
## TAG EMISSION TESTING

Tag Designer Suite includes functionalities to quickly assess Backscatter signal strength and approximate unwanted emissions against the RED standard (ETSI EN 302 208 v.3.1.1) at

lower (865-868 MHz) and higher (915-921 MHz) ETSI bands. (see pictures 1&3)



Picture 1. Orientation patterns show the direction of the strongest radiation



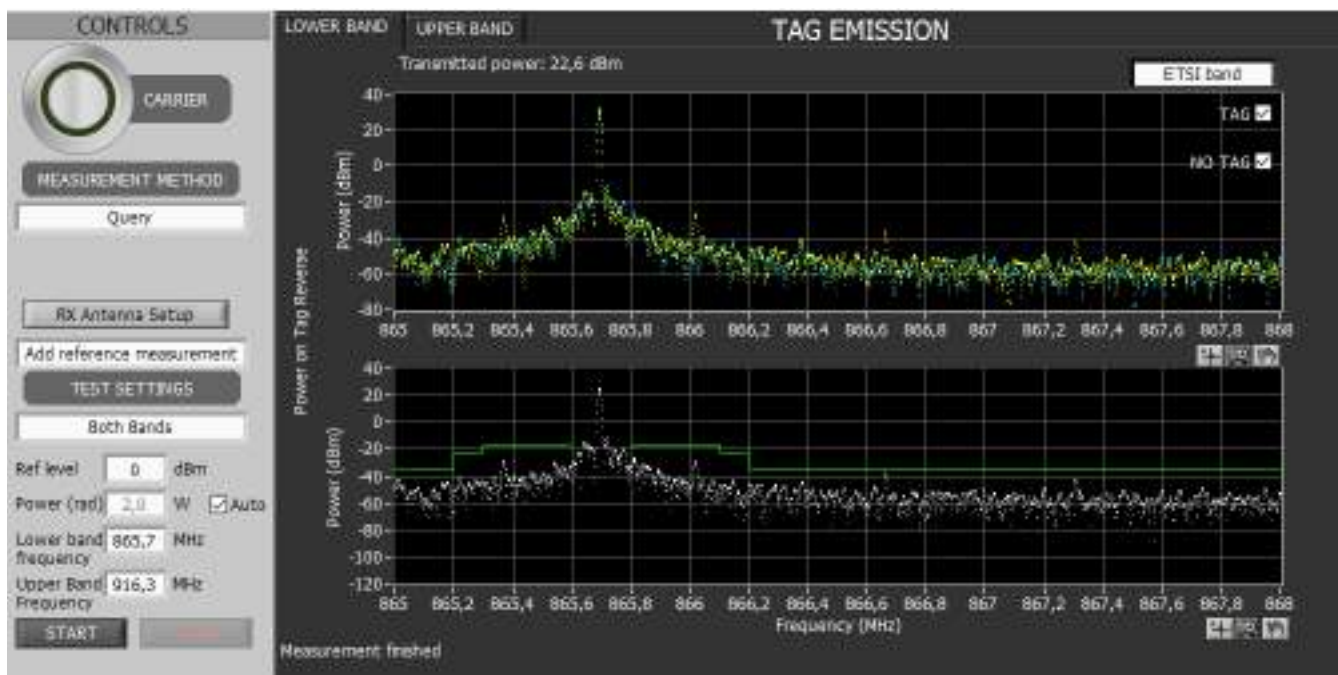
Picture 2. Calculated approximate emissions with Tag Designer Suite



Adding ETSI RED Kit [TFP-AC-RED] accessories enables more accurate measurements of unwanted emissions. (Picture 4)



Picture 3. ETSI RED Kit accessories



Picture 4. Measured tag emissions with ETSI RED Kit

# UHF Software: Application Development Suite

## POPULATION MANAGEMENT

TF-SW-POS



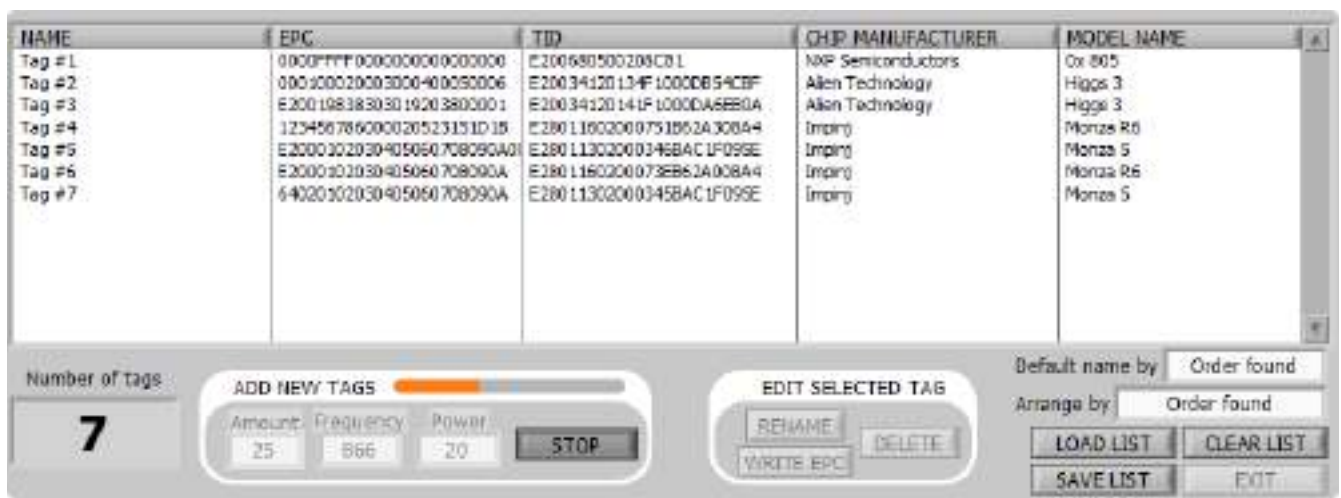
Population Management enables addressing individual tags in tag populations. It is a standard feature of the Application Development Suite and is also available separately to supplement the Tag Designer Suite.

Population Management contains Population Editor, which is a powerful tool for managing tag populations. It can be used to inventorying tags, editing the population list, and editing EPC content of tag populations as well as single tags.

It stores the TID numbers of the inventoried tags and shows the chip manufacturer and model in a readable format.

Population Management can be used with the following measurements:

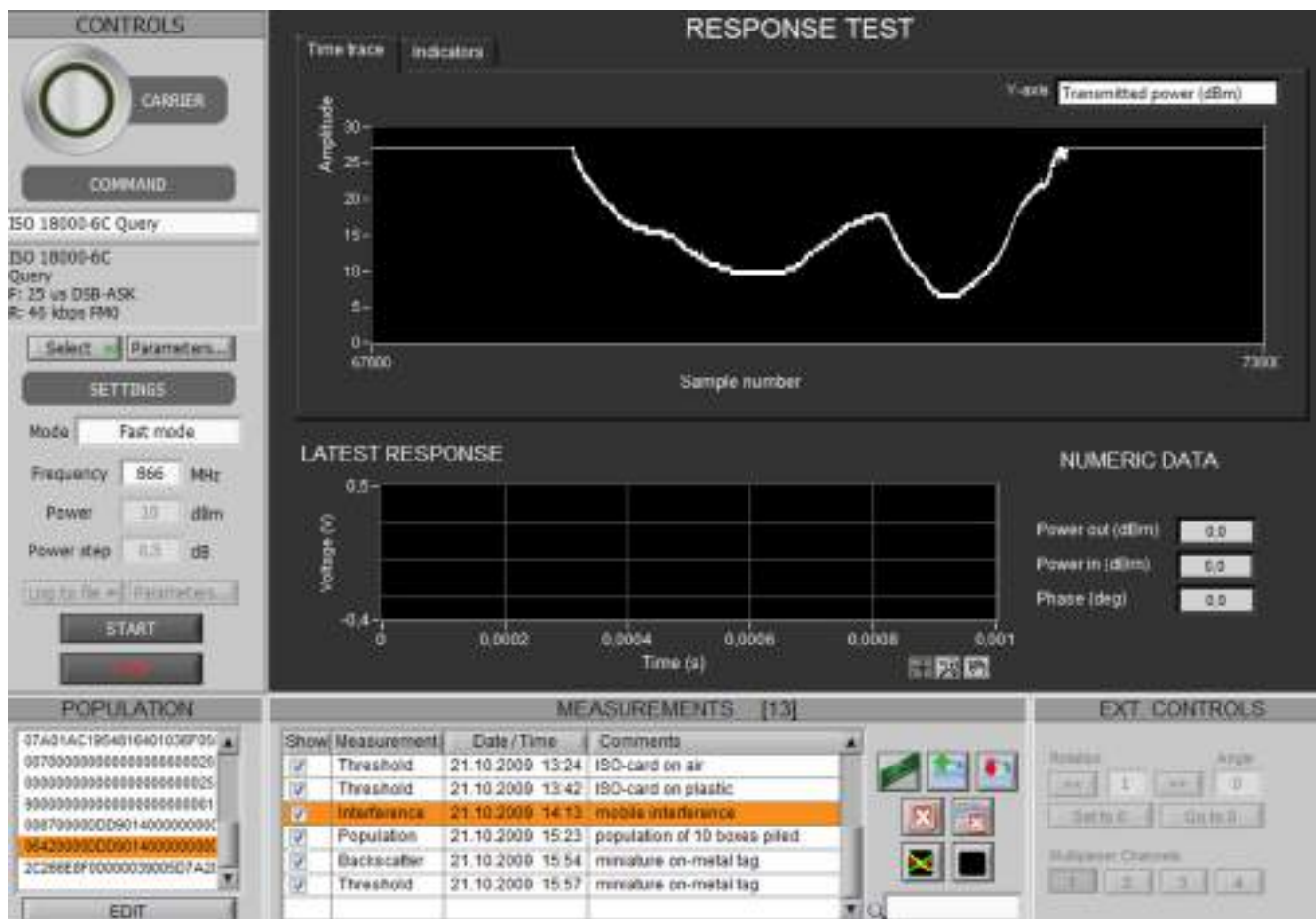
- Threshold Sweep
- Backscatter Sweep
- Orientation Sensitivity
- Read Range
- Response Test



Measure characteristics of a single tag in a larger population  
Study how well tags perform in populations  
Inventory tag populations automatically with Population Editor

## RESPONSE TEST

TF-SW-FRT



The Response Test has different modes:

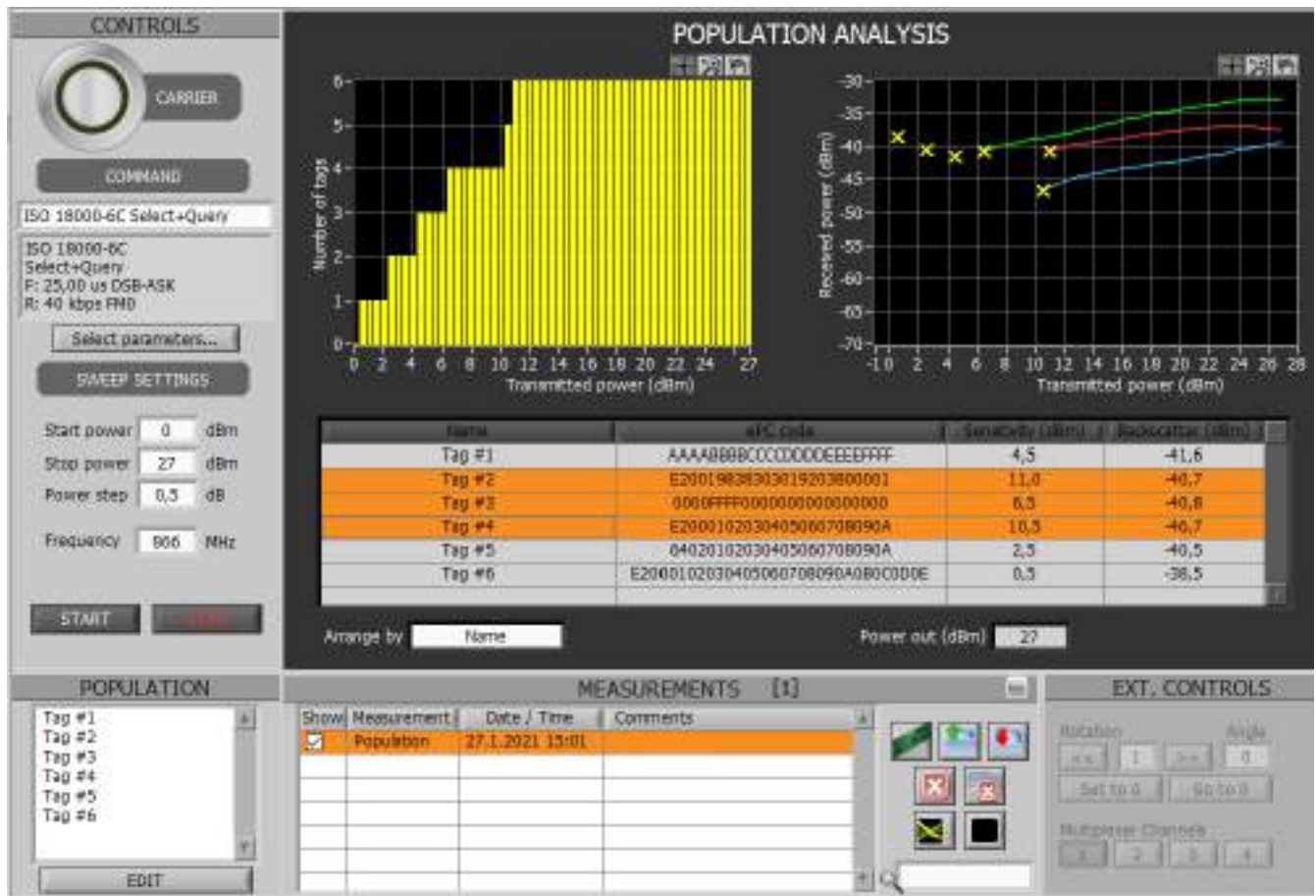
- Constant Power  
Uses given power and frequency.
- Follow Threshold  
Follows the threshold transmit power of the selected tag.

Select (by EPC code) command can be used to follow one specific tag in the tag population. In the above example, a tagged item passes

by the reader antenna in an environment with metal surfaces.

The minimum required power to read the tag was ~7dBm, while ~22dBm transmit power would ensure long and continuous identification time.

Dynamically follow the weakest tag as the population passes the portal  
Determine the required reader power to achieve the desired read area  
Compare tags, tag positions and portal configurations from a reader's point of view



The Population Analysis polls (select+query) all the tags in the tag list defined in population editor using different transmit power levels. Threshold power and backscatter signal strength are shown for all tags revealing the potential weakest links in the population. The weakest links can be further studied using the response test.

The graph on the left shows the number of tags read at each transmit power level. The right-hand graph plots the threshold point for both transmitted and backscattered power for each tag. It also plots the backscattered power as a function of transmitted power (red, blue and green curve in the picture). The tag list can be sorted by EPC, sensitivity and backscattered power.

Learn how to build item-level tagged pallets

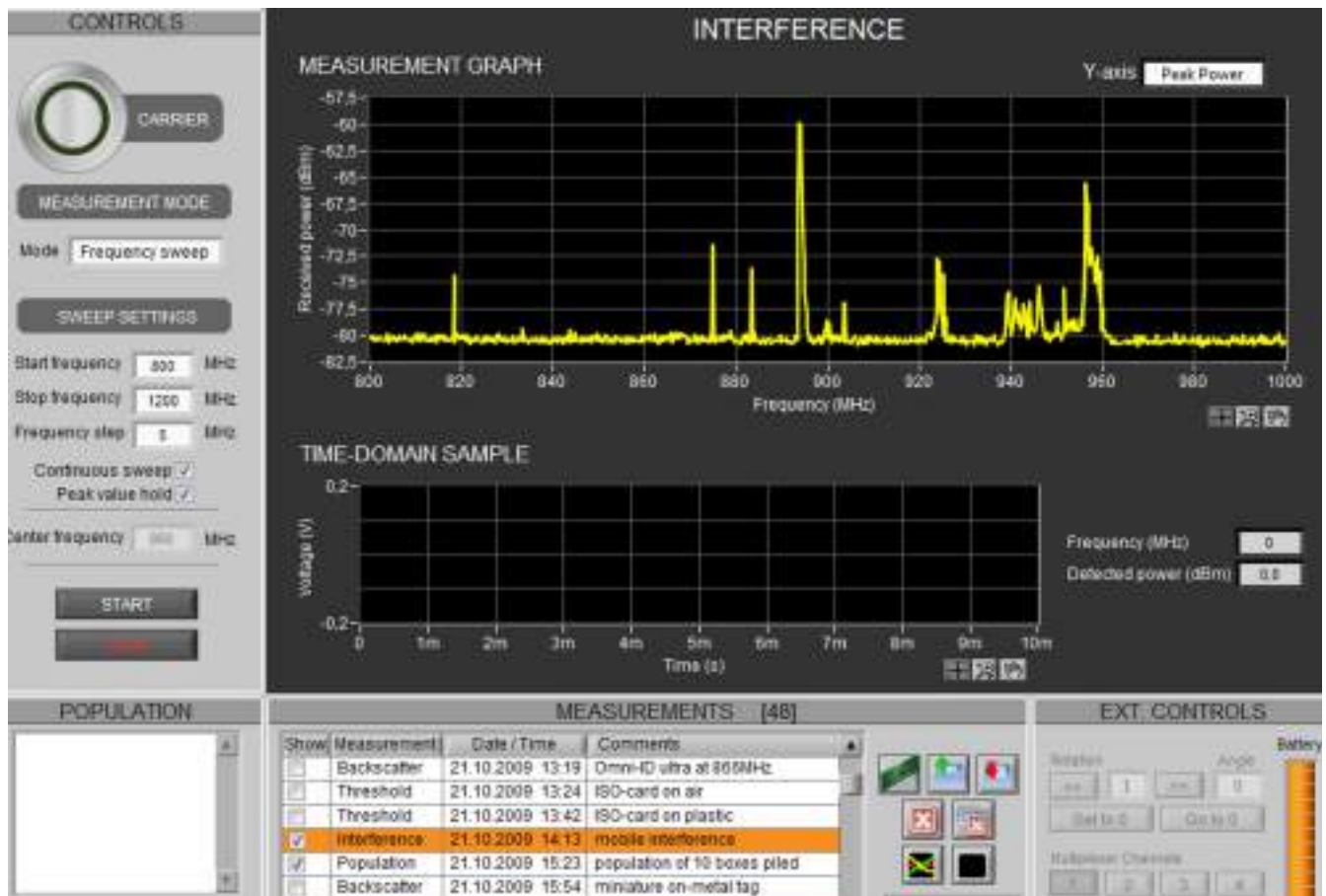
Study reader zoning and power margins for successful reads and to avoid stray readings

Study close coupling of tags



## INTERFERENCE MEASUREMENT

TF-SW-INT



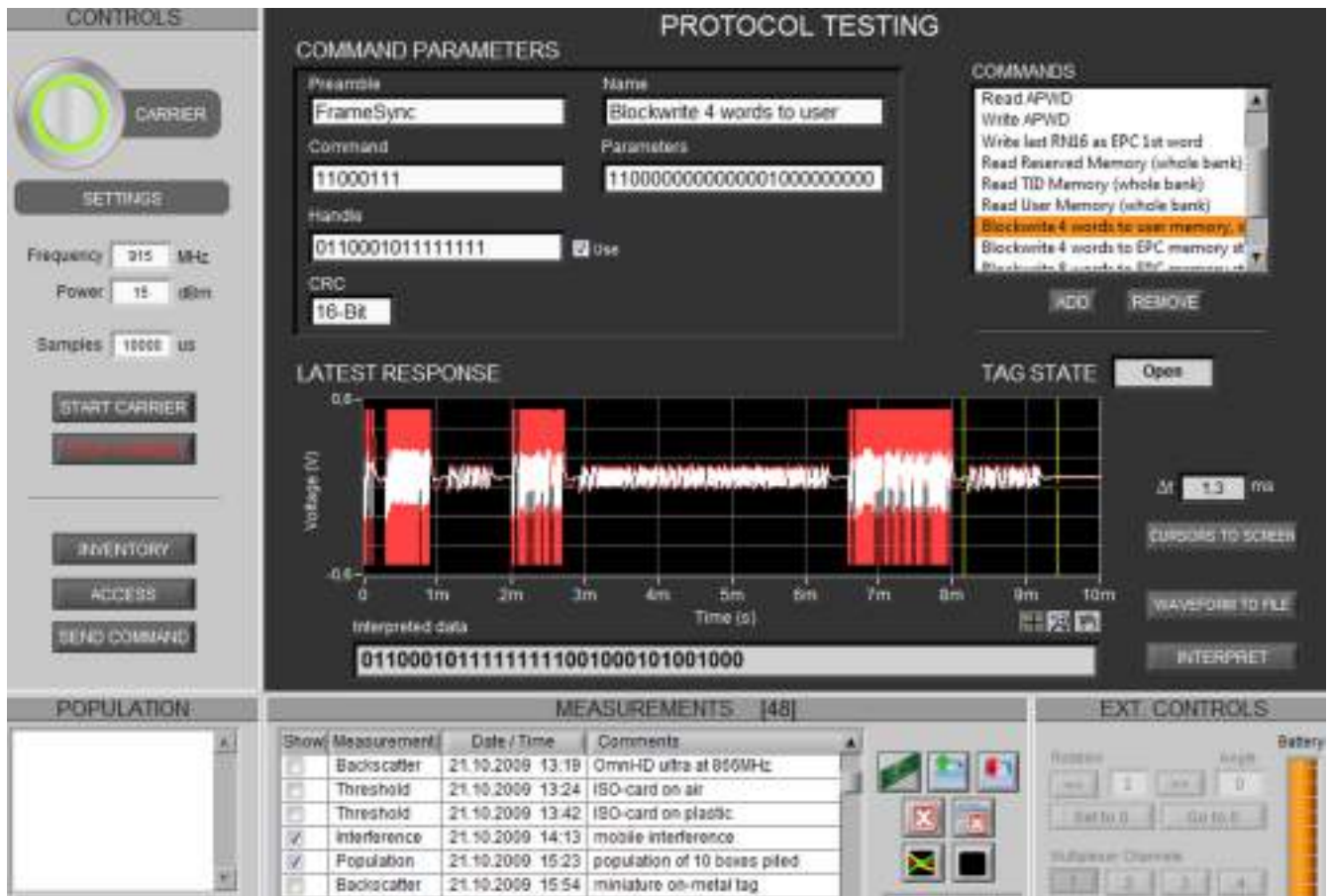
The Interference measurement scans the given frequency range to reveal interfering inband RF activity. Continuous sweep and peak hold functions help to record the interference for extended periods of time. The signal level will reveal if the interfering transmitters are likely to pose a problem.

Detect at the project planning stage the other nearby users of UHF RFID  
Monitor the channel allocation of nearby readers to select free channel slots  
Listen in reader-tag communication  
Check for abnormal interferences within a measurement lab

# UHF Software: Protocol Testing Suite

## PROTOCOL TESTING

TF-SW-PTS



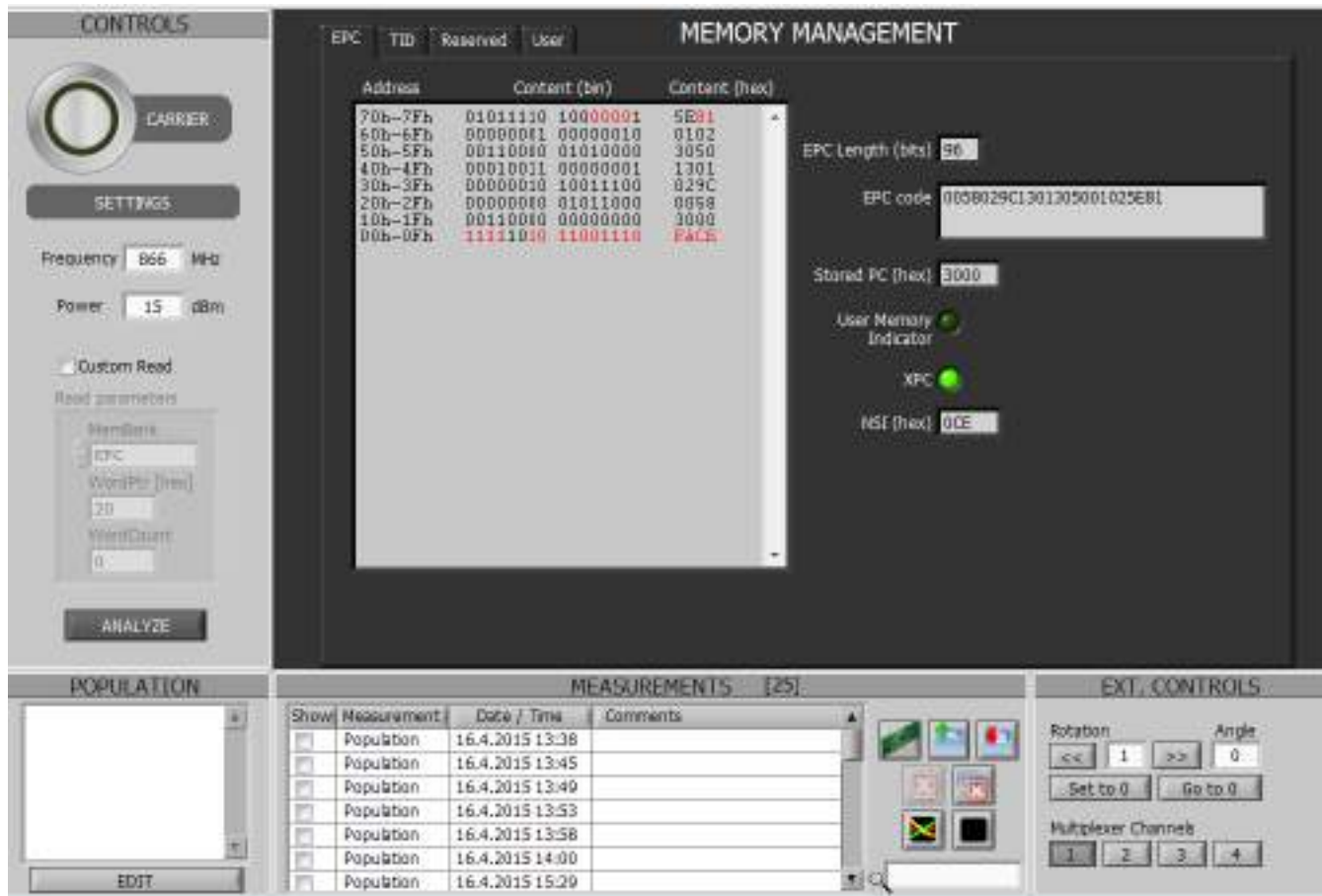
Using the Protocol Testing Suite, arbitrary commands within and beyond the EPC Gen2 protocol can be sent to the tag. Created custom commands can be saved to the commands list to make them available every time you open the software. The received answers can be analyzed visually and decoded with the interpret tool.

In the above example, the inventory command is being sent to a tag using 915 MHz frequency and 15 dBm transmit power. After the inventory, the handle is updated automatically to the handle field to be available for the following commands. The interpret function is set to interpret the handle and CRC-16 bits from the waveform.

Investigate how your tag responds to proprietary custom commands  
See the timing and waveforms of the tag responses; test the write time  
Check the state machine of the IC  
Test tags with special features, such as sensors

## MEMORY MANAGEMENT

TF-SW-MEM



Memory Management is a tool for analyzing the memory of EPC Class1 Gen2 tags. The software reads EPC, TID Reserved and User memory banks, or a customized section of the memory with a single button press.

Memory contents are shown in binary and hex formats. Some content is also analyzed

and interpreted: for example, chip type and chip manufacturer are shown. Memory management is a perfect tool for comparing tag data.

The application highlights differences in data between consecutive tag reads. The functionality can be used for example in sensor

Analyze the tags memory content  
Check the chip information  
Check locking status  
Compare tag data

# UHF Software: Tagged-Item Grading Suite

## TAGGED-ITEM GRADING

TF-SW-TGS



The Tagformance Tagged-Item Grading Suite is 100% aligned with the GS1 Tagged-Item Performance Protocol (TIPP) concept and the related test methodology. The Tagformance system simplifies complex RF tests and brings high-quality testing to the reach of anyone. Testing time is reduced to a few minutes.

Automated test procedures, open file formats, and clear reporting ensure that results are accurate and test data can be easily shared between retailers and their suppliers. Tagged-item grading returns clear information on which grades the tagged item passes. If one

of the grades would be failed, the software allows easy access to the raw data, to check which particular test results did not meet the protocol specification.

Grade verification is a fast way to check if a tagged item passes or fails a specifically selected grade.

Check that the tagged item meets the TIPP grade requirement set

Analyze the weakest read angle and possible test that causes the tagged item to fail to comply with the set grade requirement

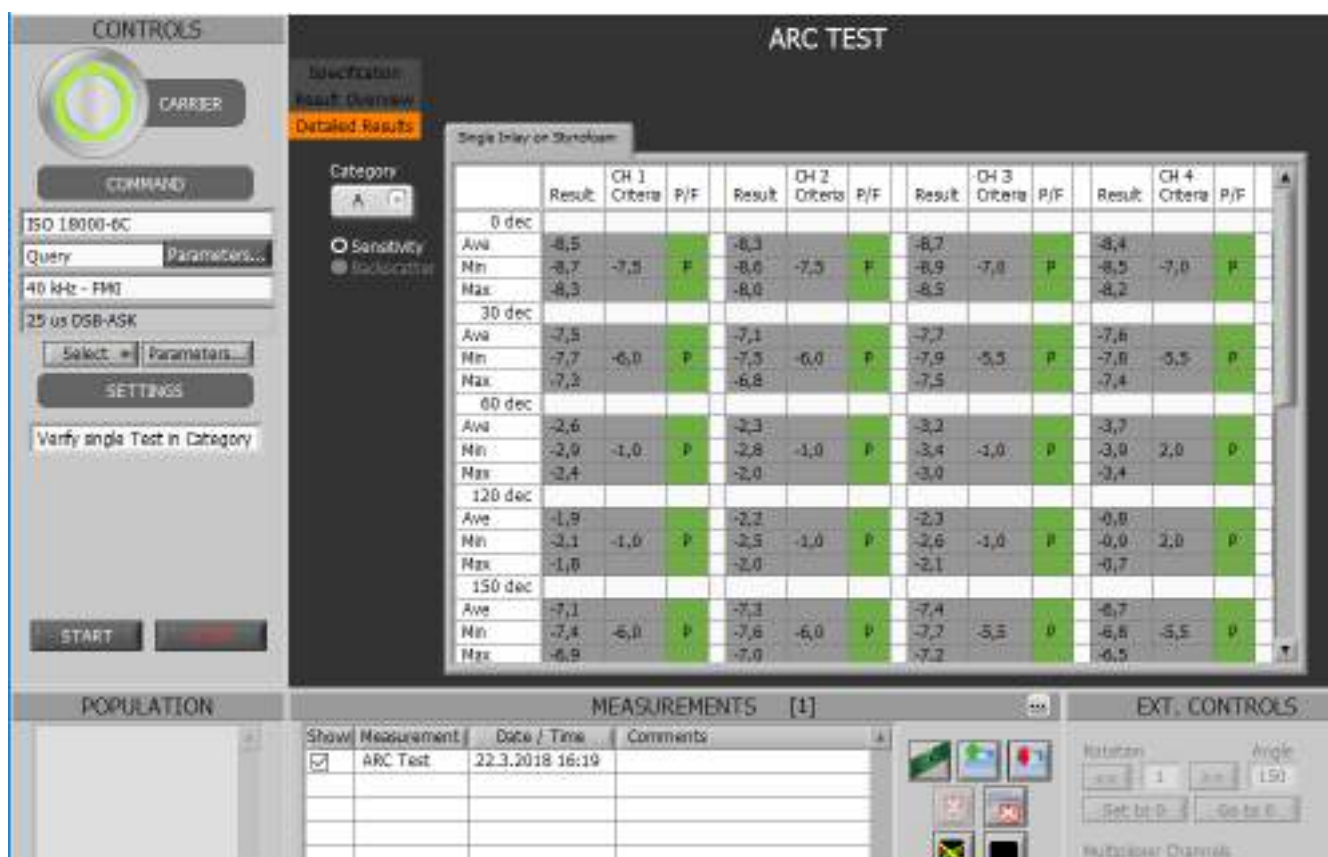
Grade your tagged items, by defining exactly which TIPP grade it complies with



# UHF Software: ARC Pre-compliance Testing Suite

## ARC PRE-COMPLIANCE TESTING

TF-SW-ARC



ARC Program is a tag certification program managed by Auburn University ARC RFID Lab. ARC Program is used by retail companies (mainly in the USA) for ensuring that tagged products meet their performance requirements.

ARC pre-compliance testing software is a quick way to test new RFID tags against ARC RFID Lab category limits. The test time is shortened to a fraction compared to the method where a test pattern is created with scripts or composed of individual tests. The ARC pre-testing SW produces results automatically in easy formats, there is no need for additional data processing.

ARC test software is compatible with Tagformance Pro with Tagged-Item Grading Setups. ARC software requires 4-antenna setup and rotation table.

Using the fast ARC pre-testing software before submitting tags for certification reduces the risk of receiving unexpected test results from final tests. Quick testing speeds up the development cycle by providing quick feedback on design alternatives. Designers see quickly the performance criteria where targets are not met, or where safety margin between performance and limit is lower than desired.

Shorten the RAIN RFID tag development time and time to market

Quickly test new tag designs against ARC RFID Lab category limits

Set safety margins for category limits

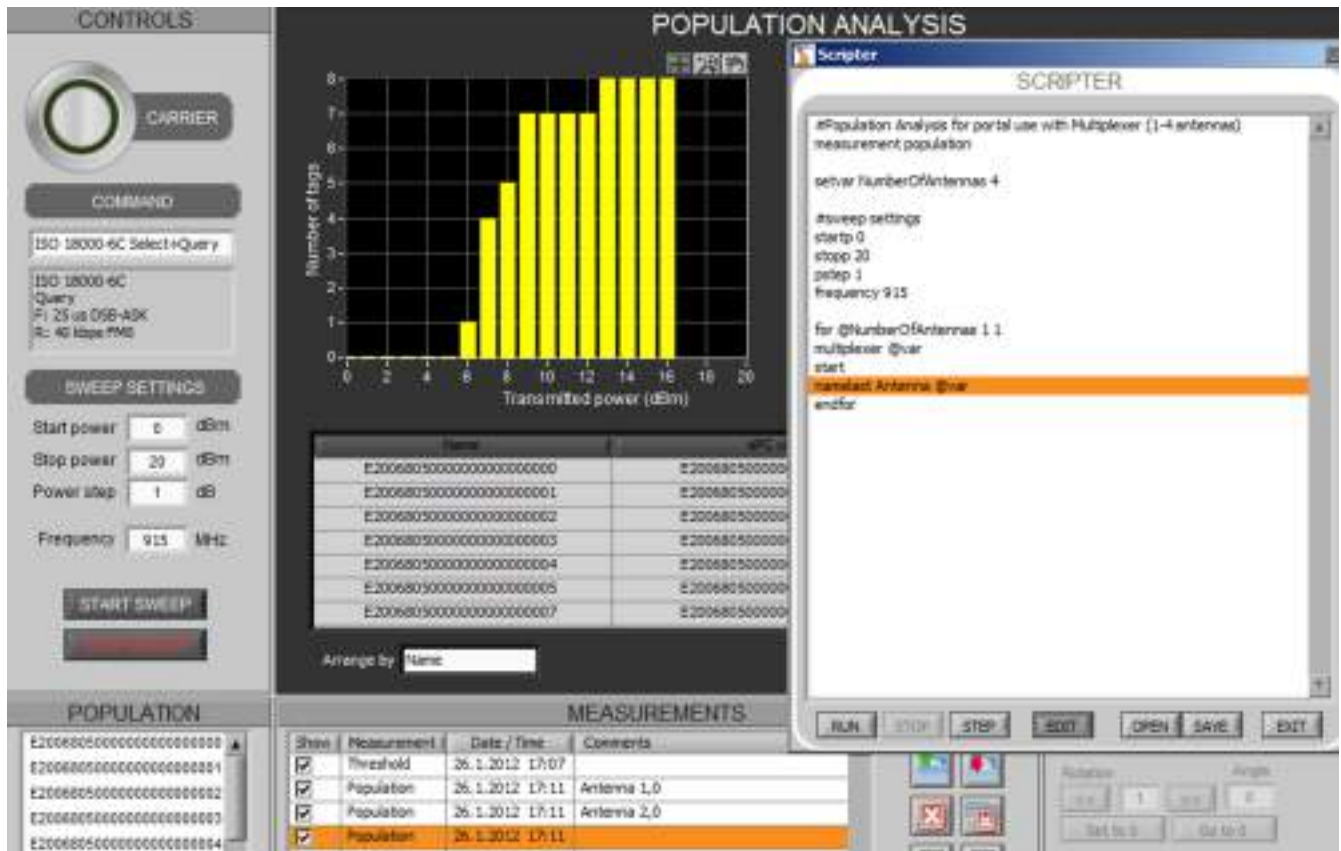
Understand result variation due to human effects

Save developments costs and avoid unnecessary certification test rounds

# UHF Extensions

## SCRIPTER

TF-SW-SCR



Scripter is a time saver when you need to run the same set of measurements for a large number of tags. Using measurement workflows will also make your routine measurements

systematic and reduce errors. Scripter can be used with all measurements in Tag Designer Suite and with Population Analysis.

Get systematic with measurement workflows

Save time by automating measurements

Make routines less prone to human errors

## API

TFP-SW-UHFAPI

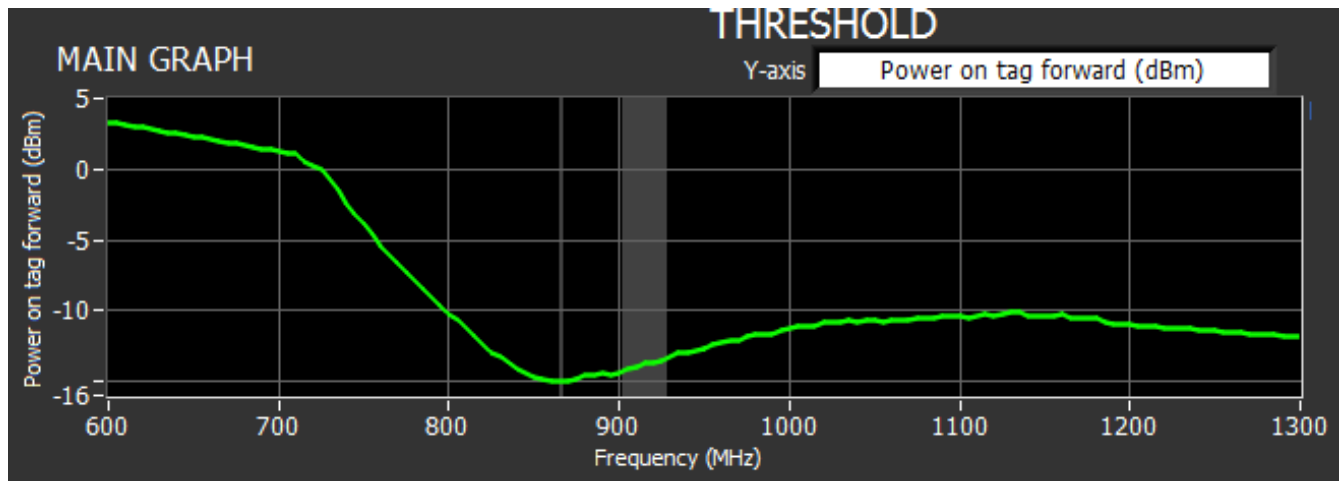
The API is a low-level TCP/IP protocol interface that allows user to e.g. set frequency, set power and send commands.

works with any programming language that is able to access TCP, e.g. C#, Visual Basic, C++, and LabVIEW.

With the API it is possible to write your own test software, for example, to create test applications that are not currently included in the Tagformance software suites. The API

**WIDEBAND SWEEP RANGE 600-1300 MHZ**

TF-SW-PWB



The Wideband Sweep Range offers more than three times the visibility in frequency domain compared to the standard range.

It is ideal for inlay designers as the materials can easily de-tune the inlays more than 100 MHz.

**ADDITIONAL PROTOCOLS**

TF-SW-GB, TF-SW-6B

As an addition to ISO 18000-6C (EPC Class 1 Gen 2), we offer optional support for ISO 18000-6B, Brazilian protocols such as SINIAV and GB/T29768 protocols for the

measurements functionalities in Tag Designer Suite and part of the Application Development Suite.

**CUSTOM COMMANDS**

TF-SW-CUS

**EPC**

Gen2 tags accept most commands in an open or secured state. With the EPC Custom Command option, it is possible to create EPC commands to be used in TDS test applications.

Commands can be sequenced in order to test commands accessible over multi-step communication process

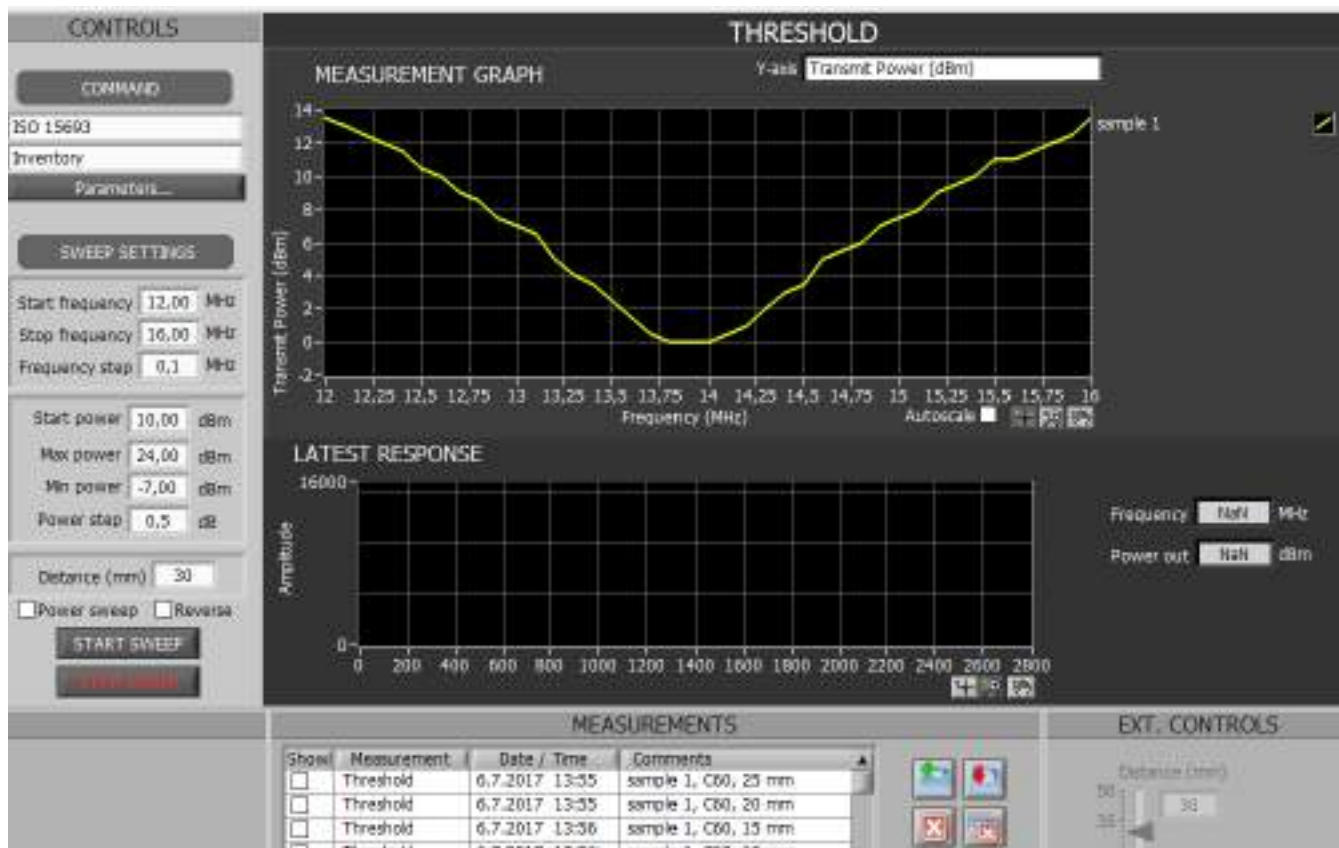
**NON-EPC**

With this option, it is possible to create commands that do not follow the EPC standard, and to use the commands in TDS test applications.

# HF Software: Performance Measurement Suite

## THRESHOLD

TFH-SW-PER



HF RFID / NFC performance testing is a repeatable way to test the tags. The system provides instant feedback on new tag designs, allowing quick prototyping and benchmarking tags for a certain application.

Tag sensitivity is measured with a threshold sweep from 10 to 30 MHz.

Measure the magnetic field strength required to wake up the tag and the load modulation at the threshold power. The read range with

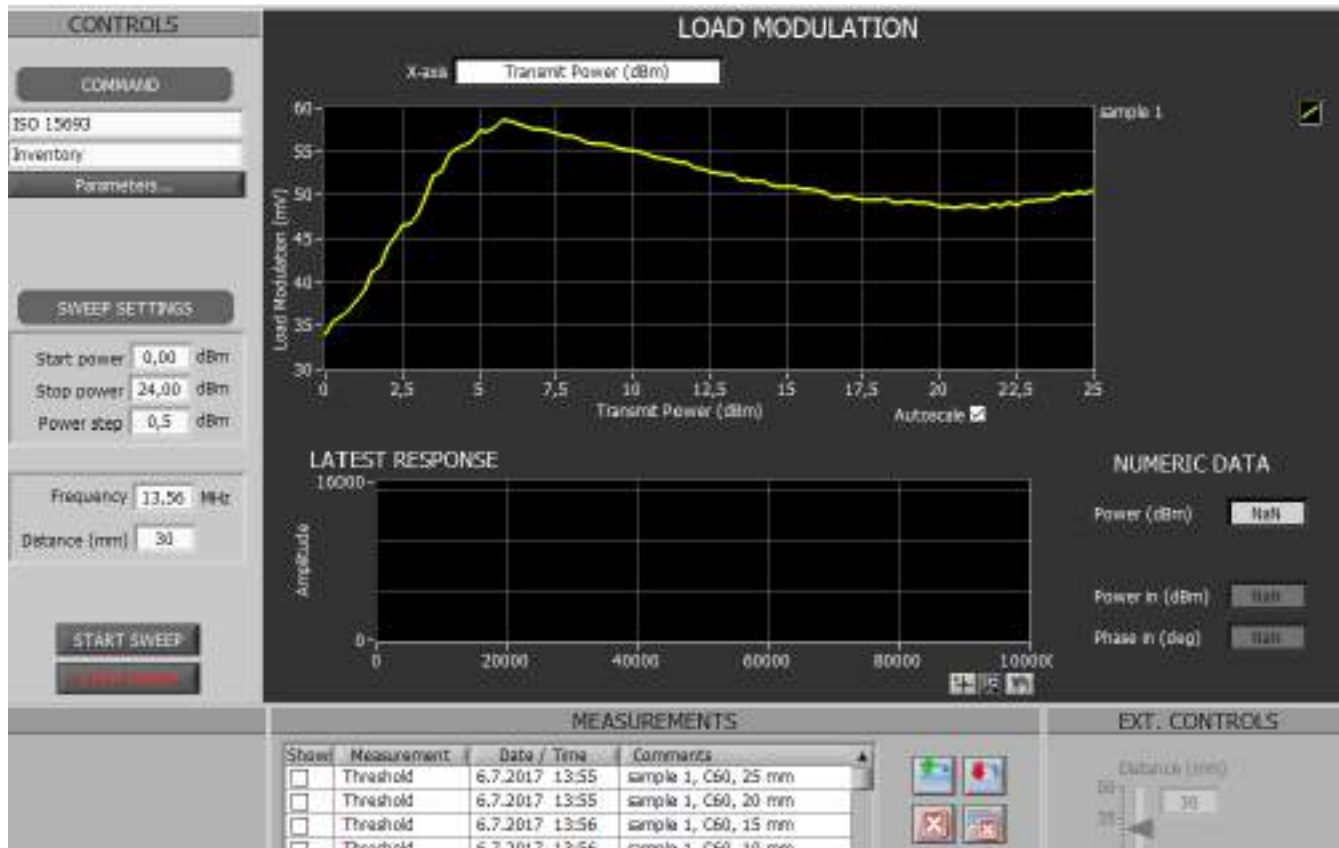
profiled reader devices can also be calculated. Magnetic field estimation is only available with C60 and C145 HF antennas.

Supported protocols include ISO 15693, ISO14443A, ISO14443B, Sony Felica, and ISO 18000-3.

Benchmark tags and tag designs  
Gain visibility into tag performance  
Select tags cost-efficiently

## LOAD MODULATION

TFH-SW-PER



With this separate measurement mode, the load modulation strength of the tag can be measured separately in relation to the transmitted power to the tag, at a defined frequency. It allows defining how much above the threshold the transmitted power has to be set, to achieve the strongest modulation

strength and checking that the modulation keeps stable when transmit power increases. The load modulation can also be plotted in relation to magnetic field strength on the tag.

Find the optimal power level to communicate with the tag  
Ensure that the tag performs continuously on all power levels





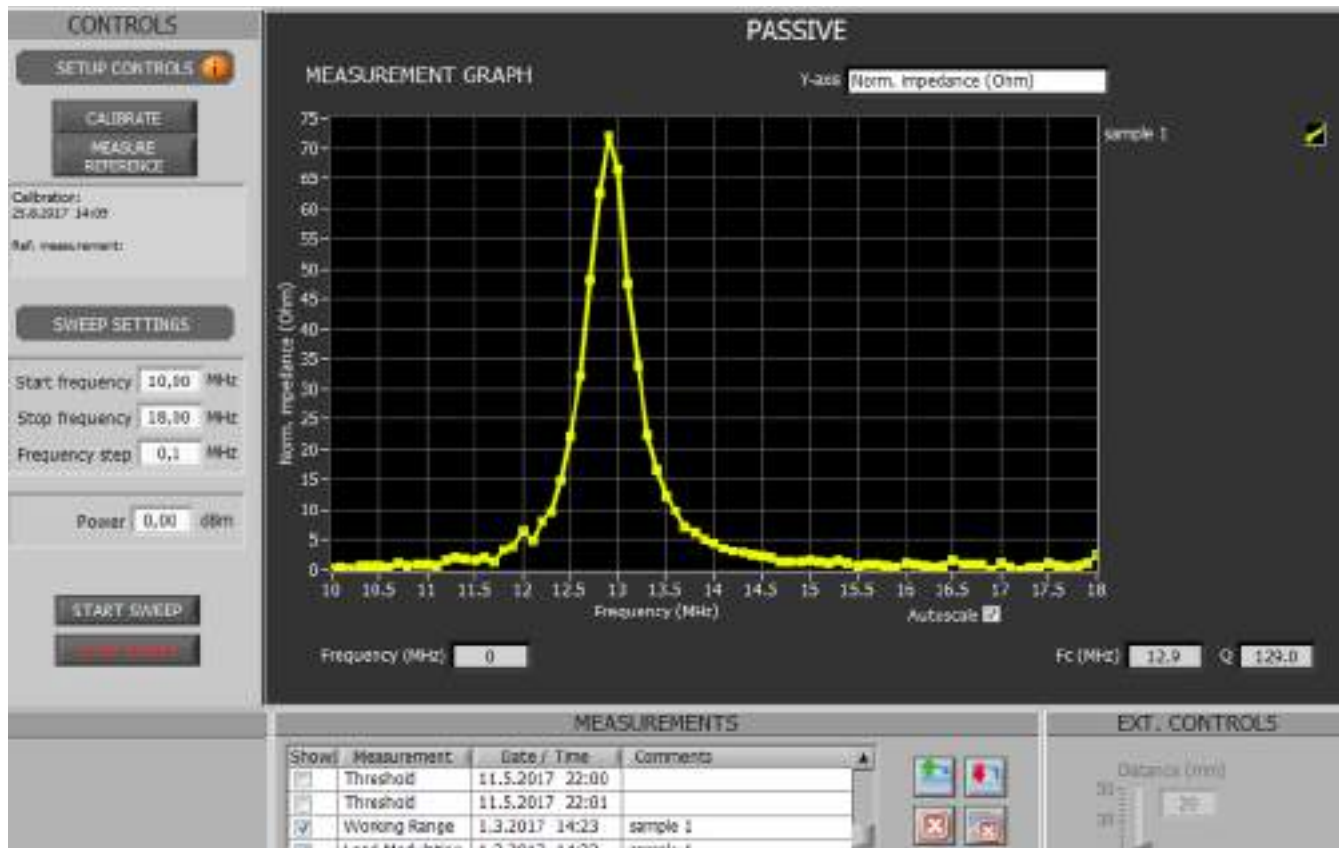
The working range test is used for comparing tag performance at different distances in practice. This test mode is available only with the Distance Control Kit (see page 41), which holds the tag and adjusts the distance between the tag and the measurement antenna.

The load modulation is measured in relation to the distance with a user defined distance range and step size. Frequency and transmitted power used are constant, but can be set by the user.

Measure working range with antenna tag combination  
Verify tag operability at target distance

## PASSIVE MEASUREMENT

TFH-SW-PER



HF RFID / NFC performance testing is most reliably done with active protocol based measurement, but Tagformance Pro allows also traditional passive testing.

This is especially useful if HF antennas without the IC chip would need to be tested.

Conduct also traditional passive measurement for tags  
Measure plain HF antennas without chip

## **UHF Accessories**

### **Anechoic Chambers**

- |                            |            |
|----------------------------|------------|
| • RFID Measurement Cabinet | TF-HW-SC   |
| • C50 cabinet              | TF-AC-C50  |
| • C100 chamber             | TF-AC-C100 |
| • C150 chamber             | TF-AC-C150 |

### **Accessory Kits**

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|------------------------|-------------|
| • Wideband Kit         | TF-AC-WBK   |
| • Tag Rotation System  | CA-HW-ROT   |
| • Hand Carry Kit       | TFP-AC-UHFS |
| • Field Engineer's Kit | TF-AC-FEK   |
| • ETSI RED Test Kit    | TFP-AC-RED  |

### **Components**

## **HF Accessories**

### **Accessory Kits**

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|------------------------|------------|
| • Hand Carry Kit       | TFP-AC-HF  |
| • Distance Control Kit | TFH-AC-DCK |

### **Components**

# **ACCESSORIES**





Whether you are setting up a lab or taking your measurements to field, our accessories are there to complement your Tagformance Pro Measurement System. We have put a lot of thought into our measurement accessories so that you could use your expertise and effort in tags, RFID applications - or whatever it is that you do - instead of worrying about the measurement tools.

## UHF Accessories: Anechoic Chambers and Cabinets

The RFID measurement cabinets and chambers reduce outside interferences and improve measurement accuracy. They provide an excellent and cost efficient measurement setup bringing the advantages of an anechoic room to your office space with a fraction of the cost. You can be confident that you have an efficient working setup at all times. The absorbers are especially designed for UHF RFID testing.

The standard RFID Measurement cabinet is a desktop cabinet designed for testing tags only. It has a rotation table, and tests tags from one antenna angle.

C50, C100 and C150 cabinets and chambers have a rotation table, and can test tags or tagged items from four antenna angles. These cabinets are compatible with the ARC and TIPP measurements. For bigger items a bigger chamber is needed.

### AVAILABLE ADD-ONS:

- Antenna assemblies with quick release mount and easy 90 degree polarization change
- Automated tag rotation system with adjustable RF friendly tag platform



### RFID MEASUREMENT CABINET

TF-HW-SC

#### Electrical Specifications

**Absorber lining:** Fully covering

**Absorber type:** Pyramidal electromagnetic

**Back wall absorber:** 30 cm (12")

- reflectivity  
800-1000 MHz: -34 dB or less

**Rest of the absorbers:** 10 cm (4")

- reflectivity  
800-1000 MHz: -16 dB or less

**Leakage:**

- maximum: 41 dBuV/m
- typical: 35 dBuV/m (at 3 m distance, 800-1000 MHz, using 27 dBm TX power and standard patch antenna)

#### Mechanical Dimensions

**Size:** 120 x 80 x 80 cm (47" x 31" x 31")

**Material:** Stainless steel

**Door:** Shielded, opening 45 x 45 cm (17.7" x 17.7")

**Standard measurement distance:**  
45 cm (17.7")

**RF connectors:**  
2 x N-type feed-through

## C50 RFID MEASUREMENT CABINET

TF-AC-C50

**Measurement distance:** 50cm

**Multiplexer:** TF-AC-MX4

**Antenna assembly:** 4 Channel Kit for C50 Cabinet TF-AC-4A50. (The Kit includes four standard patch antennas, antenna mount, RF cables and a UHF circulator.)

**Rotation system:** TC-AC-ROT50; Ø 500mm; load at center: max 10kg recommended, absolute max 20kg, (limit is lower off the center)

**Size:** 155 x 150 x 110 cm (61" x 59" x 43")

**Delivery:** Delivery as one piece

## C100 RFID MEASUREMENT CHAMBER

TF-AC-C150

**Measurement distance:** 100cm

**Multiplexer:** TF-AC-MX4

**Antenna assembly:** 4 Channel Kit for C100 Chamber TF-AC-4A100. (The Kit includes four standard patch antennas, antenna mount, RF cables and a UHF circulator.)

**Rotation system:** TC-AC-ROT50; Ø 600mm; load at center: max 10kg recommended, absolute max 20kg, (limit is lower off the center)

**Size:** 230 x 250 x 170 cm (91" x 98" x 67")

**Delivery:** Delivery as one piece or installed on site (installation terms apply)



C50



C100

## C150 RFID MEASUREMENT CHAMBER

TF-AC-C100

**Measurement distance:** 150cm

**Multiplexer:** TF-AC-MX4

**Antenna assembly:** 4 Channel Kit for C50 Chamber TF-AC-4A150. (The Kit includes four standard patch antennas, antenna mount, RF cables and a UHF circulator.)

**Rotation system:** TC-AC-ROT50; Ø 600mm; load at center: max 10kg recommended, absolute max 20kg, (limit is lower off the center)

**Size:** 300 x 320 x 200 cm (118" x 126" x 79")

**Delivery:** Installed on site (installation terms apply)

## ADD-ONS FOR RFID MEASUREMENT CABINETS

### Standard Antenna Assembly for Cabinets

CA-AN-SR



Assembly Contents:

- Standard Patch Antenna 800-1000 MHz
- Antenna Mount
- RF Cables
- UHF Circulator

### Wideband Antenna Assembly for Cabinets

CA-AN-WB



Assembly Contents:

- Wideband Antenna 600-1300 MHz
- Antenna Mount
- RF Cables
- Directional Coupler

### Tag Rotation System for RFID Measurement Cabinet

CA-HW-ROT



Assembly Contents

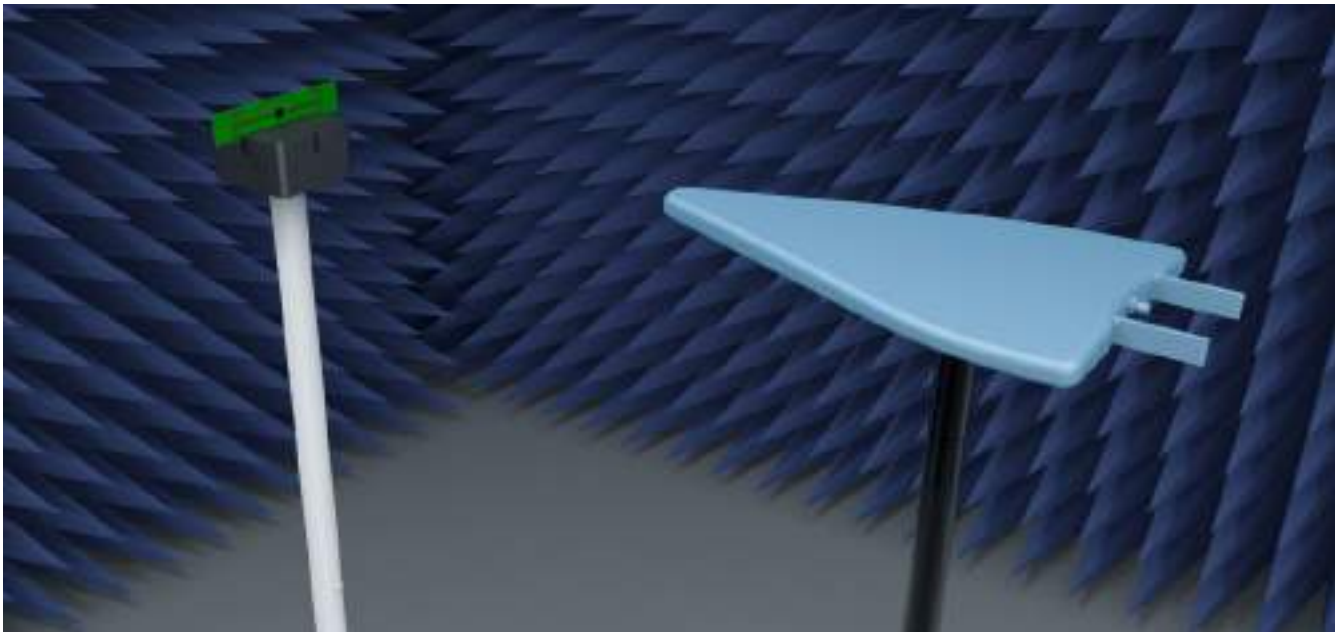
- Stepper, driver and DAQ-pack
- Drive Shaft
- Orientation Platform with belt drive
- USB and power cables



## UHF Accessories: Kits

### Wideband Kit

TF-AC-WBK



Wideband Kit is an out of the box antenna solution for wideband measurements. Used with the Wideband Sweep Range (Tagformance Pro option), the Wideband Kit

extends your laboratory measurement system to the 600-1300 MHz range. Wideband range is ideal especially for inlay development.

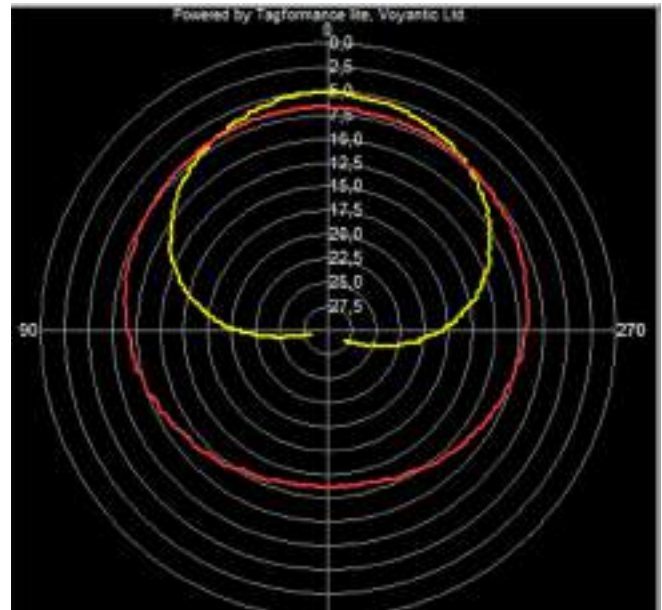
### KIT CONTENTS

- Directional Coupler
- Wideband Antenna 600-1300 MHz
- RF Cable 1.8 m (6 ft)
- Antenna Stand 50-150 cm (2 to 5 ft)
- Tag Stand 50-150 cm (2 to 5 ft)
- Tag Stand tabletop setup 35 cm (13.8")
- Water and shockproof carrying case



## TAG ROTATION SYSTEM (STAND-ALONE)

TF-AC-ROT



The Tag Rotation System supplements the Tag Designer Suite's Orientation Sensitivity measurement. It is a very straightforward solution - just connect the power and the USB and you have the capability to do automated

Orientation Sensitivity measurements. The adjustable RF friendly platform integrates seamlessly with Tagformance.

## TECHNICAL DETAILS

- Diameter: 50 cm (19.7")
- Load capacity: 20 kg (44 lbs)
- Angle steps: 1, 5, 10, 15 or 30 degrees
- 5m USB 2.0 type-A cable
- Power supply 110/240VAC input



## HAND CARRY KITS

The Hand Carry Kit offers the easiest and the most affordable starter setup for running basic measurements with Tagformance Measurement Software. This kit will easily follow you wherever your measurement needs may take you.

### HAND CARRY KIT WITH STANDARD ANTENNA

TFP-AC-UHFS

#### KIT CONTENTS

- Circulator with attenuator and RF cable
- Standard Patch antenna 800-1000 MHz
- RF Cable 1.8 m (6 ft)
- Tag Stand (RF-friendly foam)
- Rugged, waterproof carrying case



A combined kit, Hand Carry Kit UHF and HF (TFP-AC-UHFHF), is available and includes both Hand Carry Kit UHF (TFP-AC-UHFS) and Hand Carry Kit HF (TFP-AC-HF) accessories.

### HAND CARRY KIT WITH WIDEBAND ANTENNA

TF-HW-HWB

#### KIT CONTENTS

- Directional Coupler
- Wideband Antenna 600-1300 MHz
- RF Cable 1.8 m (6 ft)
- Tag Stand (RF-friendly foam)
- Rugged, waterproof carrying case





The Field Engineer's Kit offers a bistatic (dual antenna) setup, as well as a circulator for monostatic measurements. Tag and antenna stands are provided for quick and flexible

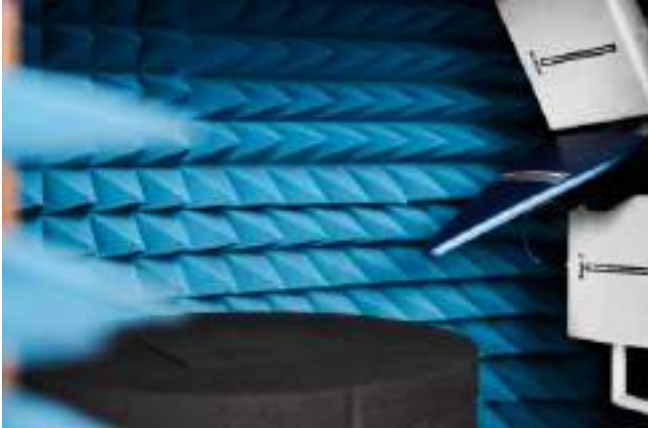
setup. On top of that, the Field Engineer's Kit also includes the same mini setup for inlay and on-metal tags as the Hand Carry Kit.



## KIT CONTENTS

- Circulator with attenuator and RF-cable
- 2 x Standard Patch antenna 800-1000 MHz
- 2 x RF Cable 1.8 m (6 ft)
- Antenna Stand 50-150 cm (2 to 5 ft)
- Tag Stand 50-150 cm (2 to 5 ft)
- Mini Tag Stand 10-30 cm (4" to 12")
- Rugged, waterproof carrying case
- Measurement tape



**ETSI RED TEST KIT**

RED is the Radio Equipment Directive 2014/53/EU applying to all radio equipment that is used in Europe. The directive aims at utilizing the limited frequency spectrum that we have, at the maximum benefit to those utilizing the spectrum according to regulations.

This means that various radio systems can co-exist and be relied on, and do not put the health of users at risk.

**TFP-AC-RED****TEST SETUP**

Voyantic Tagformance with the ETSI RED Test Kit supports multiple test setups.

- The test can be made with and without the High Power Kit
- The test can be made with one or two antenna configuration

The chamber size and distance between the tag and the antenna define which setup should be used.

**KIT CONTENTS**

- Wideband antenna with cabinet mount
- 1.8 m N-SMA RF cable
- Directional coupler
- 35 cm N-N RF cable
- N-SMAf adapter
- 6 dB attenuator
- Spectrum analyzer with USB3 cable
- Trigger wire from Spectrum Analyzer to Tagformance

# UHF Accessories: Components

## MULTIPLEXER

TF-AC-MX4



### DELIVERY CONTENTS

- Multiplexer unit
- 5 x RF cables (N-male to N-male)
- Power source and cable
- USB cable

The Multiplexer is especially developed for UHF RFID testing purposes in a laboratory environment. Multiplexer connects to a PC via USB and integrates with the Tagformance software.

### SPECIFICATIONS

- Impedance: 50 Ohm
- Frequency range: DC - 18 GHz
- Insertion loss: 0.2 dB typ.
- Isolation: 85 dB typ.
- Switching speed: 20 milliseconds
- Dimensions: 8.5 x 17 x 23.5 cm (3.3" x 6.7" x 9.3")
- Connectors: N-female

## HIGH POWER KIT

TFP-HW-HPK2



The High Power Kit extends the output power range of the Tagformance system to 36 dB TX (>40 dBm typical radiated power).

The Power Amplifier is calibrated and can be enrolled into the Maintenance Program with the Tagformance Pro for annual calibration and extended warranty. The frequency range is 600-1300 MHz.

### DELIVERY CONTENTS

- Power Amplifier with power cable
- 3 x RF cables (N-male to N-male)
- 15 dB attenuator
- RF coupler

## STANDARD PATCH ANTENNA (800-1000MHZ)

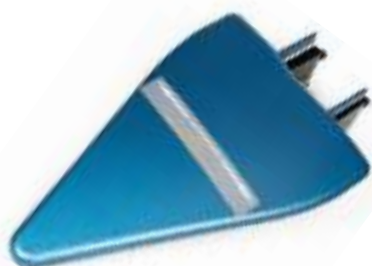
AN-FF-SR



Frequency range: 800-1000 MHz  
 Dimensions: 20 x 20 x 4.3 cm  
 (7.9" x 7.9" x 1.7")  
 Gain: 8 dBi nominal,  
 actual gain curve  
 is delivered with  
 Tagformance system  
 Polarization: linear, vertical  
 Connector: N-type (female)

## WIDEBAND ANTENNA (600-1300MHZ)

AN-FF-WB



Frequency range: 600-1300 MHz  
 Dimensions: 34 x 20 x 2.5 cm  
 (13.4" x 7.9" x 1")  
 Gain: 5 dBi nominal, actual  
 gain curve is delivered  
 with Tagformance system  
 Polarization: linear, horizontal  
 Connector: SMA-type (female)

## CIRCULAR POLARIZED ANTENNA (800-1000MHZ)

AN-FF-CIR



Frequency range: 800-1000 MHz  
 Dimensions: 25 x 25 x 4.5 cm  
 (9.8" x 9.8" x 1.8")  
 Gain: 8 dBi typical  
 Polarization: circular  
 Connector: N-type (female)

## SNOOP PRO NEAR FIELD COUPLING ELEMENT

AN-SP-D10



Snoop Pro is developed for testing inlays and tags with a dipole antenna. The unique structure enables accurate testing based on electrical field. The changeable shielding plate shields out the adjacent tags and enables measuring only the one of interest.  
 Connector: SMA-female

## UHF REFERENCE TAG

TF-AC-WBT



The reference tag is used with Tagformance system "measured path loss" functionality to compensate for the reflections in the environment. This procedure allows achieving corresponding results independent of the measurement lab used.

## RF CABLE

TF-AC-CB6



Length: 1.8 m (6 ft)  
Cable loss: 0,7 dB (600-1300 MHz)  
Connector options: N-male to N-male  
N-male to SMA-male  
SMA-male to SMA-male

## UHF CIRCULATOR

TF-AC-CIRC



Frequency range: 800-1000 MHz  
Impedance: 50 Ohm  
Isolation TX to RX: >20 dB (with 50 Ohm load)  
Insertion loss TX to ANT: 0.2 dB  
Insertion loss ANT to RX: 0.2 dB  
Maximum input power: 10 Watt (+40 dBm)  
Ambient operation temp: 0-50°C

Delivery contents:

- UHF Circulator unit
- N-male to N-male adapter
- RF cable (N-male to N-male)
- 6dB attenuator (50 Ohm)

**DIRECTIONAL COUPLER**

TF-AC-DCP



Frequency range: 600-1300 MHz  
 Impedance: 50 Ohm  
 Insertion loss TX to ANT: 1.2 dB  
 Insertion loss ANT to RX: 6.5 dB  
 Maximum input power: 250 Watt  
 (+54 dBm)

**Delivery contents**

- Directional Coupler unit
- 2 x RF cable (N-male to N-male)

**REFERENCE MATERIAL SET**

TF-AC-RMS



When an RFID tag is attached to an item, the antenna tuning and overall performance of the tag changes. The change varies by material and may be significant. Voyantic Reference Material Set can be used to evaluate these changes. Using the same reference materials guarantees comparable results between different sites. Sheet size: 130x130mm

**Materials included in the set:**

- |                   |   |
|-------------------|---|
| • Cardboard       | thickness 2mm, density 0.75 g/cm <sup>3</sup>   |
| • Glass           | thickness 4mm, 73% silicon dioxide, 15% sodium carbonate, 10% calcium carbonate, 2% additives |
| • PTFE            | thickness 4mm, density 2.18g/cm <sup>3</sup> , Guarniflon PTFE G400                           |
| • Rubber          | thickness 2mm, density 1.55g/cm <sup>3</sup> , SBR standard                                   |
| • Fiberglass      | thickness 3.2mm, density 1.85 g/cm <sup>3</sup> , Ventec VT-481                               |
| • Polycetal       | thickness 4mm, density 1.41g/cm <sup>3</sup> , Ertacetal C                                    |
| • PVC             | thickness 4mm, density 1.4g/cm <sup>3</sup> , Etradur   |
| • Stainless steel | thickness 1mm   |

**CONNECTORIZED TAG**

TF-AC-CTA



Connectorized tag with 0dB attenuation can be used for measuring UHF RFID reader antennas with Tagformance Pro.



# HF Accessories: Kits

## HAND CARRY KIT HF

TFP-AC-HF



The Hand Carry Kit for HF measurements includes all essential accessories to measure HFRFID/NFC tags' performance. With this kit we also recommend the Distance Control Kit, which can be fitted in the same carrying case.

### KIT CONTENTS

- Loop antenna C145
- Loop antenna C60
- Antenna cable N-SMA
- HF Coupler
- 50 ohm termination
- Rugged, waterproof carrying case

A combined kit, Hand Carry Kit UHF and HF (TFP-AC-UHFHF), is available and includes both Hand Carry Kit UHF (TFP-AC-UHFS) and Hand Carry Kit HF (TFP-AC-HF). The Distance Control Kit (TFH-AC-DCK) can be fitted in this combi kit as well.

## DISTANCE CONTROL KIT

TFH-AC-DCK



Automated Distance Control Kit is an easy way to adjust the distance between the measurement antenna and the tag to be tested. The measurement distance can be set repeatedly to correct value.

The working range measurement in HF RFID Performance Measurement Suite uses the Automated Distance Control Kit.

### KIT CONTENTS

- Mechanics
- Power supply
- RS232 cable
- USB/RS232 adapter

## HF Accessories: Components

### HF ANTENNA C60

PART-TFH-HCK-C60



The HF antenna C60 is a loop antenna with 60 mm diameter. It is optimized for Tagformance measurements and is connected with an SMA connector.

#### DELIVERY CONTENTS

- C60 antenna
- C60 spacer foam

### HF ANTENNA C145

PART-TFH-HCK-C145



The HF antenna C145 is a loop antenna with 145 mm diameter. It is optimized for Tagformance measurements and is connected with an SMA connector.

#### DELIVERY CONTENTS

- C145 antenna
- C145 spacer foam

### SNOOP PRO HF ANTENNA

AN-SP-HF



Snoop Pro HF is developed for testing HF inlays and tags. The structure contains two separate coil structures optimized for testing tags of different size. The changeable shielding plates enable measuring only the tag of interest, and the opening is optimized based on the tag size. Connector: SMA-female

### HF COUPLER

TFP-AC-HFC



Frequency range: 10-30MHz  
Impedance: 50 Ohm

#### DELIVERY CONTENTS

- HF RFID Coupler
- RF cable (N-male to N-male), 33cm
- N-male to N-male adapter

### HF REFERENCE TAG

TFP-AC-HTA



The HF RFID reference tag is used for verifying that HF RFID measurement setup is correctly installed. The reference tag uses ISO 15693 protocol.

# READFORMANCE V2



The Voyantic Readformance is a system for RAIN RFID reader characterization and benchmarking. It can be used in reader development, reader selection and manufacturing.

The system enables verifying the transmit power, and determining the sensitivity of readers, both conductively and in the radiated field. The system also provides means for monitoring and analyzing the communication between the reader and a tag.

## Key Functionalities

- Verify the transmit power
- Determine the reader sensitivity
- Analyze the effect of backscatter attenuation and phase shifting
- Perform both conductive (readers with antenna connectors) and radiated field (readers with integrated antennas) measurements
- Use different reader parameters
- Record and analyze the communication between the reader and a tag (with Protocol Analyzer extension)



Conductive measurement setup



Radiated measurement setup

## READFORMANCE TEST SYSTEM

RT-BS-RTS

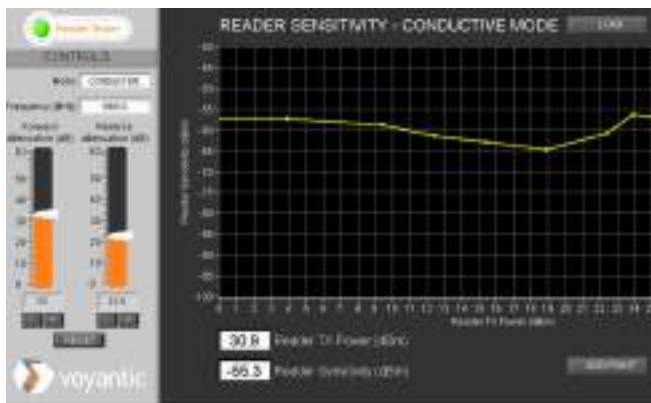


## DELIVERY CONTENTS

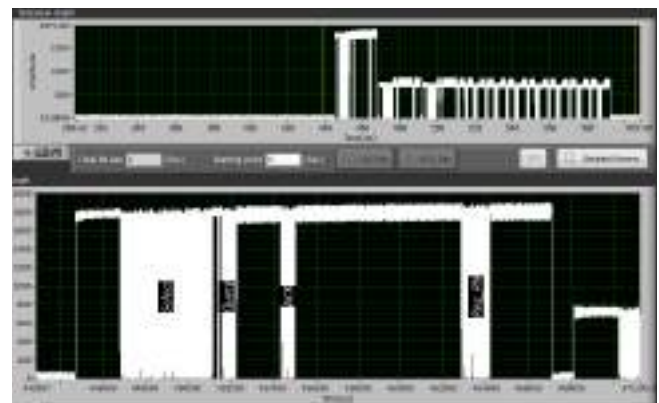
- Readformance test Unit
- Connectorized tag
- USB cable
- Readformance software
- Standard patch antenna
- RF cable, 1.8 cm, N-N
- Rugged, waterproof carrying case
- Foam stand (foam stand comes inside the carrying case)

With Protocol Analyzer extension reader to tag communication can be recorded and analyzed. You can see sent commands, their data contents, and timing parameters. The visibility to communication helps in problem

solving and in optimizing reader firmware and software. See details under Protocol Analyzer section.



Readformance graphical user interface



Protocol Analyzer reveals communication details

# PROTOCOL ANALYZER

Protocol Analyzer can be used to record, visualize and analyse EPC Gen2 UHF RFID communication between a tag and a reader. You can see sent commands as waveforms. The system automatically parses commands of selected recordings, and analyzes and shows the commands' data contents and timing parameters, as well as tag responses with their contents and timing parameters.

Visibility into the reader-tag communication helps with troubleshooting. Knowing exactly what is going on between the tag and the reader enables optimizing reader firmware and software for highest speeds and best system performance. The recordings can be saved and shared easily.

The system consists of hardware and software components.

## Features & Benefits

- Gain better visibility into the reader-tag communication.
- Benchmark RAIN RFID readers
- See details of reader to tag communication and analyze timings
- Troubleshoot RFID systems
- Make quick analysis between RFID reader's HW and FW revisions

## PROTOCOL ANALYZER HARDWARE

SN-HW-SYS



Using protocol analyzer in radiated mode



Using protocol analyzer in conductive mode

## DELIVERY CONTENTS FOR RADIATED MODE

- Airspy with a USB cable and antenna for conductive mode
- Directional coupler
- 35 cm N-N cable
- SMA-SMA adapter
- 1 m N-SMA RF cable

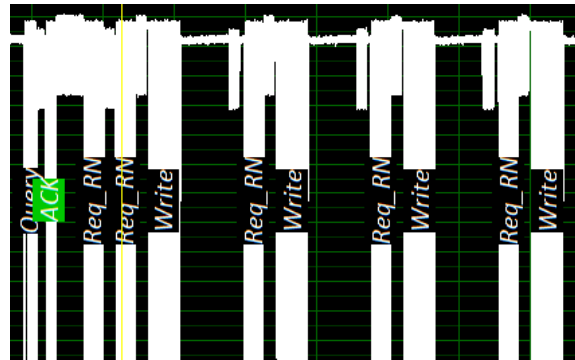
Note: if the reader and the antenna have other connector types, an additional adapter/cable may be needed.

Note: Airspy is available at the Airspy webstore





Protocol analyzer Graphical User Interface



Automatic parsing of reader commands and tag responses

## Benefits

- Get instant visibility to the RF interface
- Improve RFID system performance by knowing what reader does and how tags respond
- Save time in troubleshooting RFID systems
- Write reader software more efficiently

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ACK:
Starting time(us): 510496
Random Number:0100001101011001

  ACK response:
  Number of bits: 128
  PC code: 0011000000000000
  Number of bits of data: 96
  User memory indicator: No data available
  XPC: Not used
  Number system indicator: 00000000
  EPC: E2004205E9906014007B7309
  PackedCRC: Matched

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Frame_sync:
Start time(us): 510496
Delimiter: 11,00
Tari: 13,00
pw: 2,70
RTcal: 30,90

  BLF(kbps): 162,940
  Encoding type: M2 Extended
  
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Protocol and timing analysis



## Confidence

Access to priority support with professional consulting services gives you confidence that your system is always performing to the highest standards.

## Reliability

Extended warranty covers all hardware and accessories ensuring reliable, uninterrupted operations.

## Accuracy

Annual calibration with Calibration Certificate and a spare device during service ensures you always get maximum accuracy.

## Continuity

Access to performance improvements via regular software updates ensures you keep up with the industry development.

# MAINTENANCE PROGRAM

The Maintenance Program is designed to make owning and using Voyantic measurement systems as **easy and carefree** as possible. You can concentrate on your core business as we take care of the measurement equipment and train you to use them efficiently.

## TECHNICAL SUPPORT

The online support and training are available through web conferencing, email and phone. Whenever you face a problem, uncertainty or just want to have a second opinion, we are pleased to consult your case.

## EXTENDED WARRANTY

Devices enrolled in the maintenance program are eligible for extended warranty. The extended warranty covers any hardware issues induced in normal use. We will either repair or replace your device or accessories and provide you with a replacement unit during maintenance.









## ANNUAL CALIBRATION

As a maintenance customer, you are entitled to send your unit once a year for annual calibration to Voyantic. For the period the device is in calibration you will receive a free replacement unit sent to you on Voyantic's account, and sent back on your own account.

After the calibration, you will receive a certificate of the calibrations as well as a calibration report.

## SOFTWARE UPDATES

To better serve the industry, we strive towards continuous development. To keep on pace with the customer requirements, we release software updates frequently. Maintenance customers receive all software updates without an additional charge.

	NO MAINTENANCE	MAINTENANCE PROGRAM CUSTOMERS
SOFTWARE UPDATES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Software updates need to be purchased separately</li> </ul>	 Annual software <b>updates are included</b>
CALIBRATION TRACE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Factory calibration of a new device is valid for the first twelve months</li> <li>Calibrations need to be purchased separately</li> </ul>	 <b>Annual calibrations</b> done with a traceable certificate  <b>Spare device</b> provided for free during the calibration service
WARRANTY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>One year standard hardware warranty covering only manufacturing and material errors</li> </ul>	 <b>Extended warranty</b> is valid for the entire Maintenance Program  Extended warranty also <b>covers errors and accidental damage beyond material and manufacturing errors*</b>
TECHNICAL SUPPORT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Support enquiries available via email</li> </ul>	 <b>Online, email or phone support and custom online trainings</b> available upon request  Technical support <b>response time within one business day</b>  <b>Professional consulting</b> on test results available upon request

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