



# AM430e

## Specifications

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## **Section 1: Specification Conditions**

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This document contains the specifications and supplemental information of AM430e four-channel source-measure unit (SMU).

Specifications are the standards against which the AM430e SMU is tested. Upon leaving the factory the AM430e SMU meets these specifications. Supplemental and typical values are non-warranted, apply at 23°C, and are provided solely as useful information.

The source and measurement accuracies are specified at the terminals under the following conditions:

1. Ambient temperature  $23^{\circ}\text{C} \pm 5^{\circ}\text{C}$
2. After 30 minutes warm-up
3. 1 PLC aperture time, unless otherwise stated
4. Remote sense operation
5. Calibration period: 6 months

## Section 2: Device Capabilities

The following table and figure illustrate the voltage and the current source and sink ranges of the AM430e SMU.

Channels	DC Voltage Ranges	DC Current Source and Sink Ranges
0 through 3	$\pm 1$ V	1 $\mu$ A
	$\pm 2$ V	10 $\mu$ A
	$\pm 5$ V	100 $\mu$ A
	$\pm 10$ V	1 mA
		10 mA
		100 mA

Table 1: DC Voltage Ranges and DC Current Source and Sink Ranges

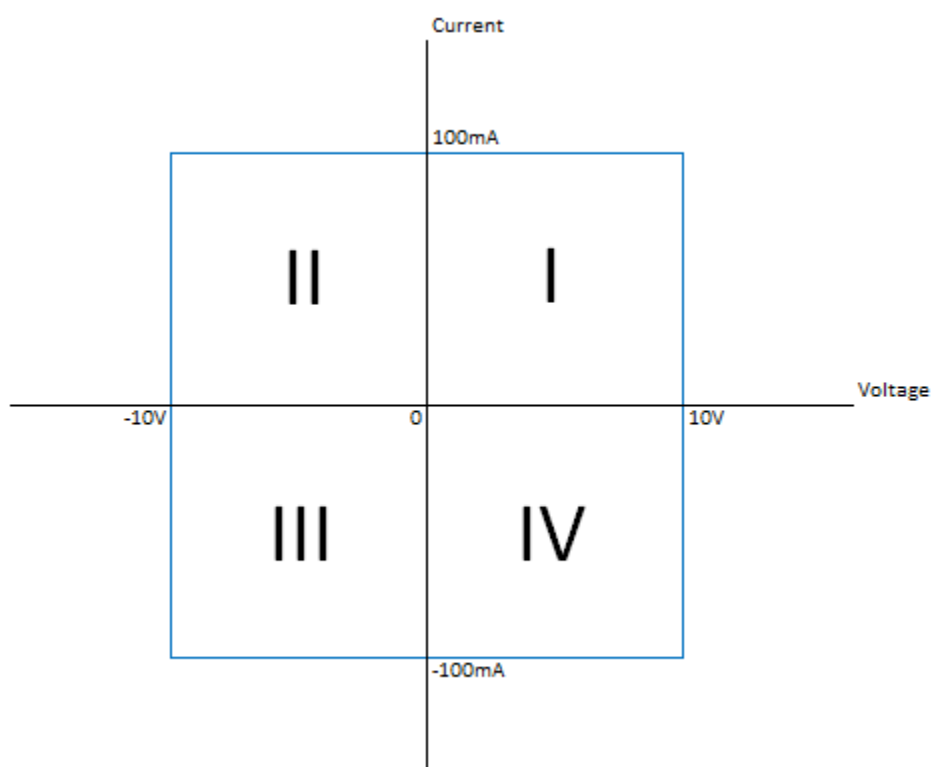


Figure 1: Voltage vs Current Envelope

Note:

1. Channels 0 through 3 are isolated from earth ground but share a common LO.

## Section 3: Specifications

### 3.1 Voltage Programming and Measurement Accuracy

Range	$\pm$ (% of Voltage + Offset)	Temperature Coefficient $\pm$ (ppm of Voltage + ppm of Range) / °C	Resolution
	Tcal $\pm$ 5 °C	13 °C to 33 °C	
1 V	0.05 % + 500 $\mu$ V	25 + 21	20 $\mu$ V
2 V	0.05 % + 1 mV		10 $\mu$ V
5 V	0.05 % + 2.3 mV		25 $\mu$ V
10 V	0.015 % + 600 $\mu$ V	25 + 6	80 $\mu$ V

Table 2 : Voltage Programming and Measurement Accuracy

### 3.2 Current Programming and Measurement Accuracy

Range	$\pm$ (% of Voltage + Offset)	Temperature Coefficient $\pm$ (ppm of Voltage + ppm of Range) / °C	Resolution
	Tcal $\pm$ 5 °C	13 °C to 33 °C	
1 $\mu$ A	0.1% + 1 nA	11 + 120	10 pA
10 $\mu$ A	0.03% + 1.5 nA	10 + 10	20 pA
100 $\mu$ A	0.03% + 15 nA	28 + 5	200 pA
1 mA	0.03% + 150 nA	15 + 5	2 nA
10 mA	0.03% + 1.5 $\mu$ A	25 + 5	20 nA
100 mA	0.03% + 15 $\mu$ A	28 + 8	1 $\mu$ A

Table 3 : Current Programming and Measurement Accuracy

Note:

1. Tcal is the temperature recorded by the SMU at the completion of the calibration
2. Resolution is noise-limited. Specifications are valid for an aperture time of 2 PLCs. See SMU Noise/Resolution vs. Measure Speed for typical performance at higher sample rates.

### 3.3 Noise and Resolution vs. Measurement Aperture

The following figure illustrates typical noise and resolution as a function of measurement aperture for the SMU.

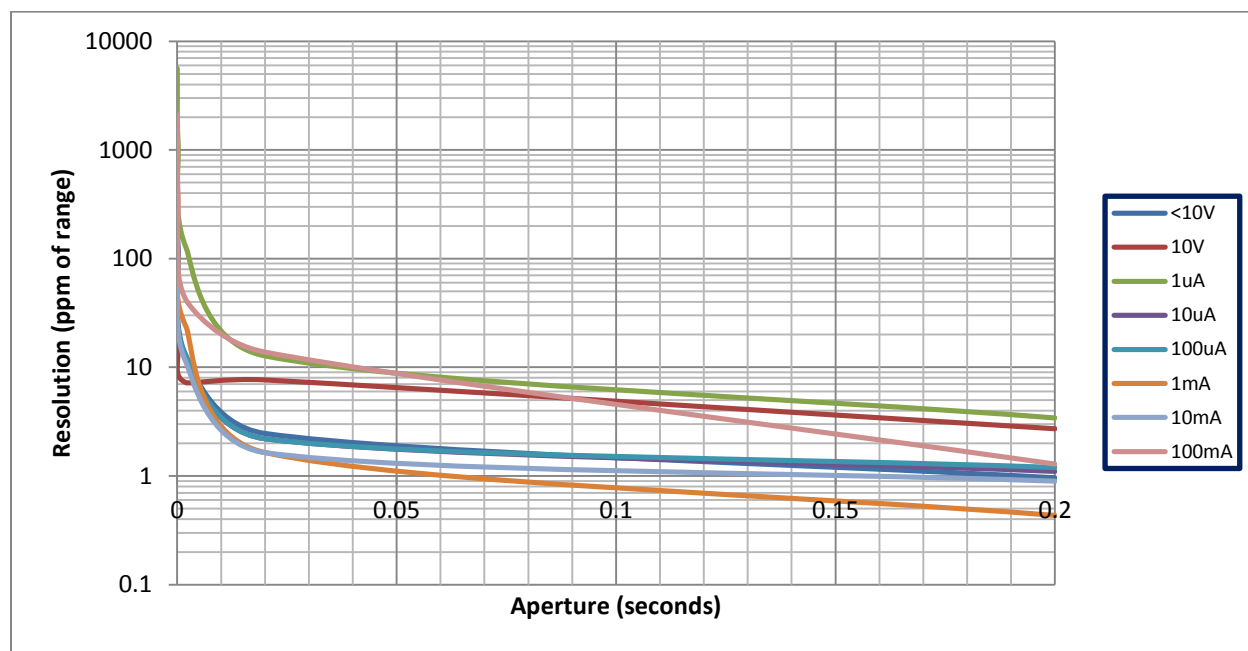


Figure 2: Resolution VS Aperture

To derive a resolution in absolute units from the previous figure, complete the following steps:

- Select a voltage or current range.
- For a given aperture time, find the corresponding resolution.
- To convert resolution from ppm of range to absolute units, multiply resolution in ppm of range by the selected range.

For example, the AM430e has a resolution of 10ppm when set to a 50ms aperture time. In the 100mA range, resolution can be calculated by multiplying 100mA by 10ppm, as shown in the following example:

$$100\text{mA} * 10\text{ppm} = 0.1\text{A} * 10 * 1 \times 10^{-6} = 1\mu\text{A}$$

Likewise, in the 10V range, resolution can be calculated by multiplying 10V by 10ppm, as shown in the following example:

$$10\text{V} * 8\text{ppm} = 10\text{V} * 8 * 1 \times 10^{-6} = 80\mu\text{V}$$

## Section 4: Supplemental Specifications

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1. Settling time, typical: < 100 $\mu$ s to settle to 0.1% of voltage step, fast transient response  
Note: Current limit set to  $\geq 1$  mA

2. Cable guard output impedance, typical: 1k $\Omega$

3. Remote sense

Voltage: Add 0.1% of LO lead drop to voltage accuracy specification

Current: Add 0.02% of range per volt of total HI and LO lead drop to current accuracy spec

Maximum lead drop: Up to 1 V drop per lead

4. Isolation

Channel-to-earth ground: 60V

Absolute maximum voltage between any terminal and LO: 20V

5. Sampling speed

Measure sampling rate: 1MS/s

Maximum source update rate: 267kS/s

#### 4.1 Typical Step Response

The following figures illustrate the effect of the transient response setting on the step response of the AM430e for different loads

1. 10mA Range, No Load Step Response (10V), typical
  - a. Fast transient response. Settling time < 100us to settle to 0.1% of voltage step

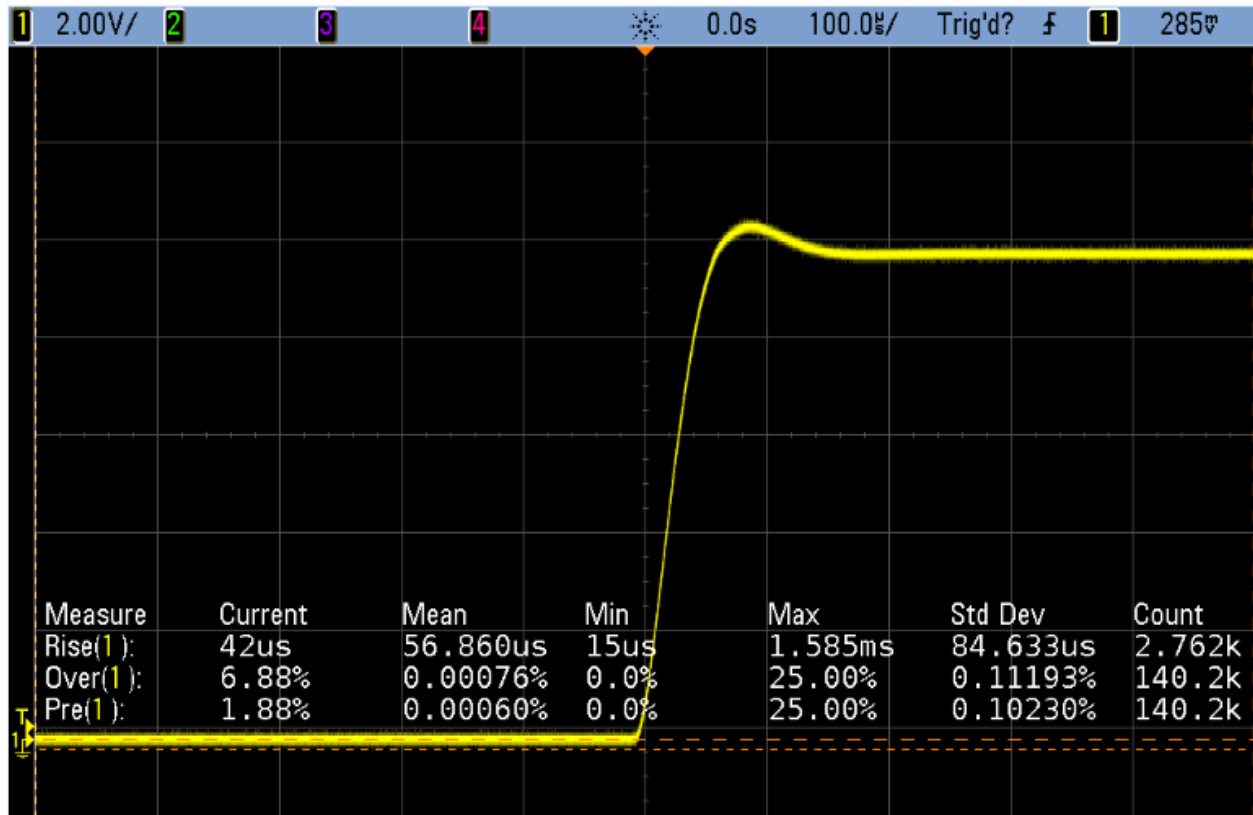


Figure 3: Fast transient response, 10mA, 10V



- b. Normal transient response. Settling time < 200us to settle to 0.1% of voltage step

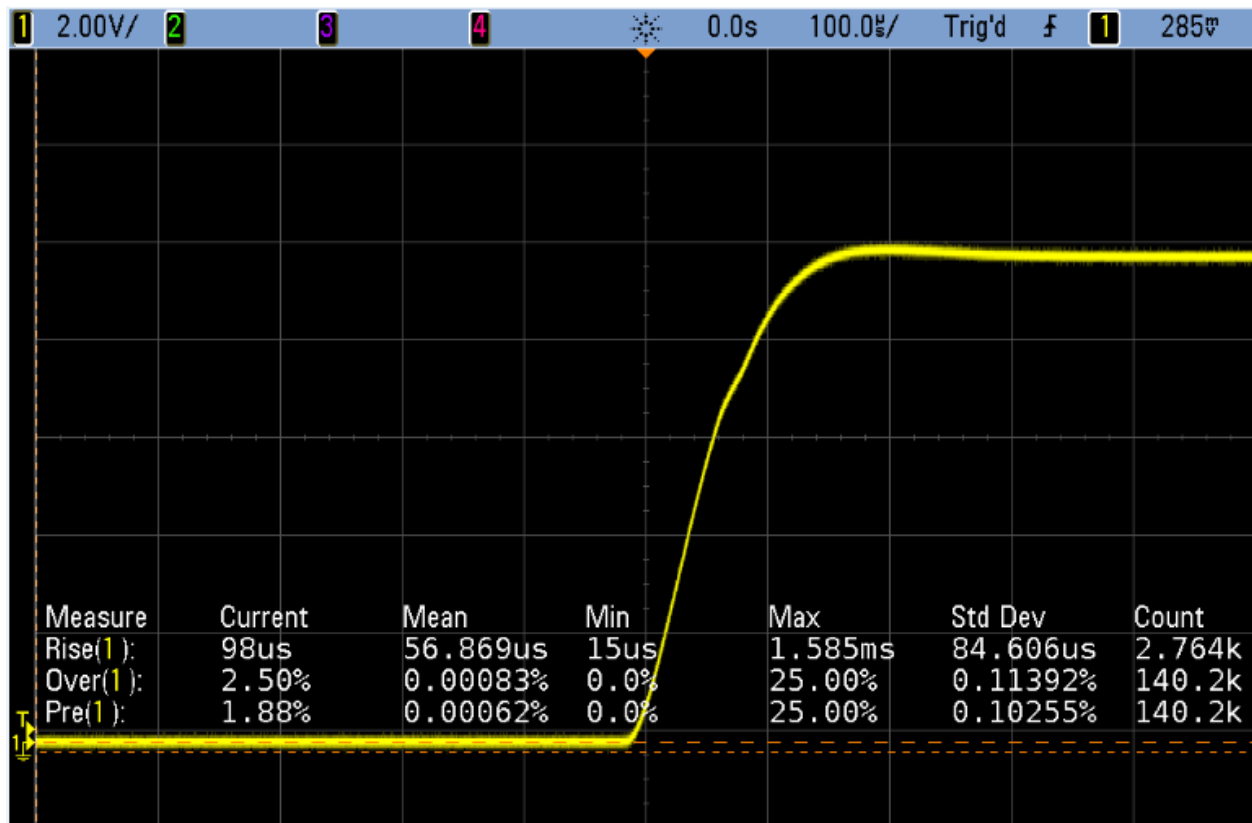


Figure 4: Normal transient response, 10mA, 10V

- c. Slow transient response. Settling time < 500 $\mu$ s to settle to 0.1% of voltage step

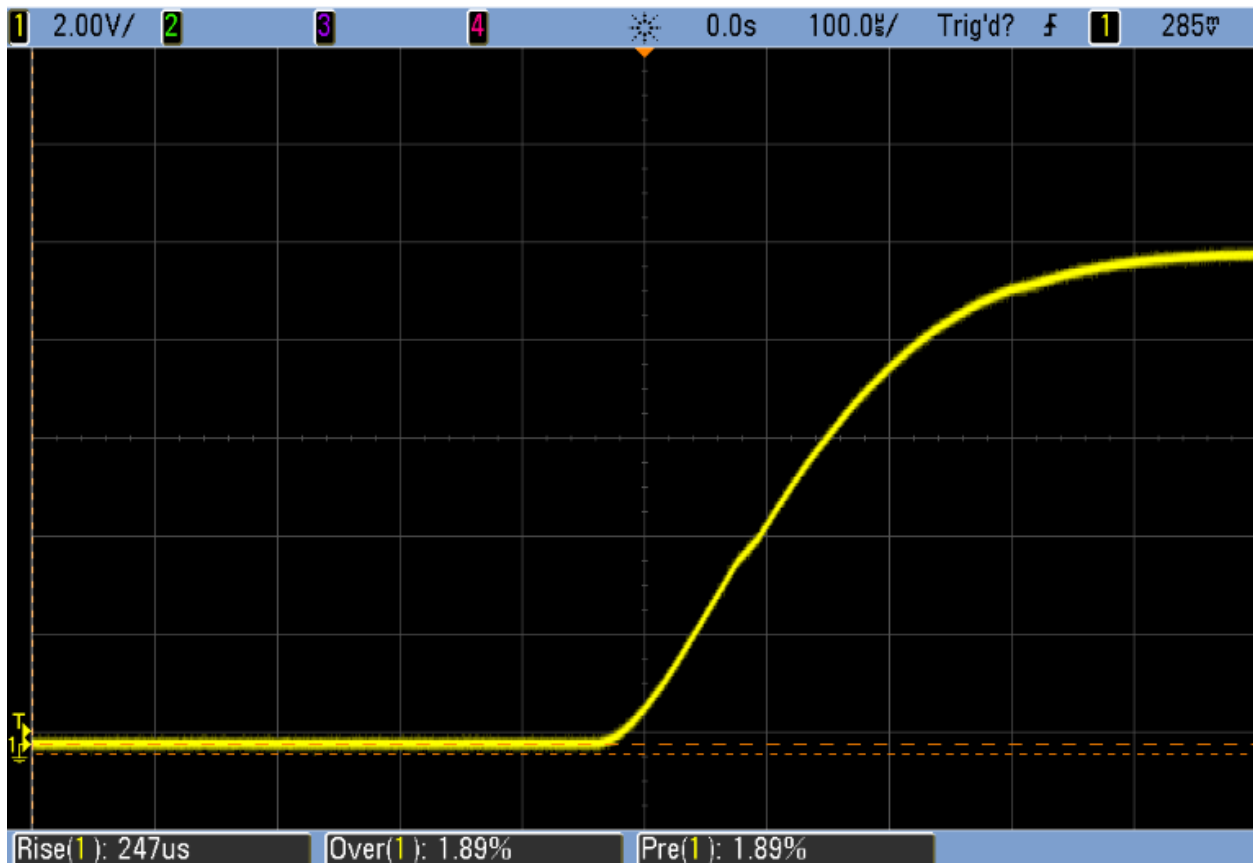


Figure 5: Slow transient response, 10mA, 10V

## 2. 10mA Range, 100nF Load Step Response (1V), typical

## a. Fast transient response



Figure 6: Fast transient response, 100nF, 1V

## b. Normal transient response

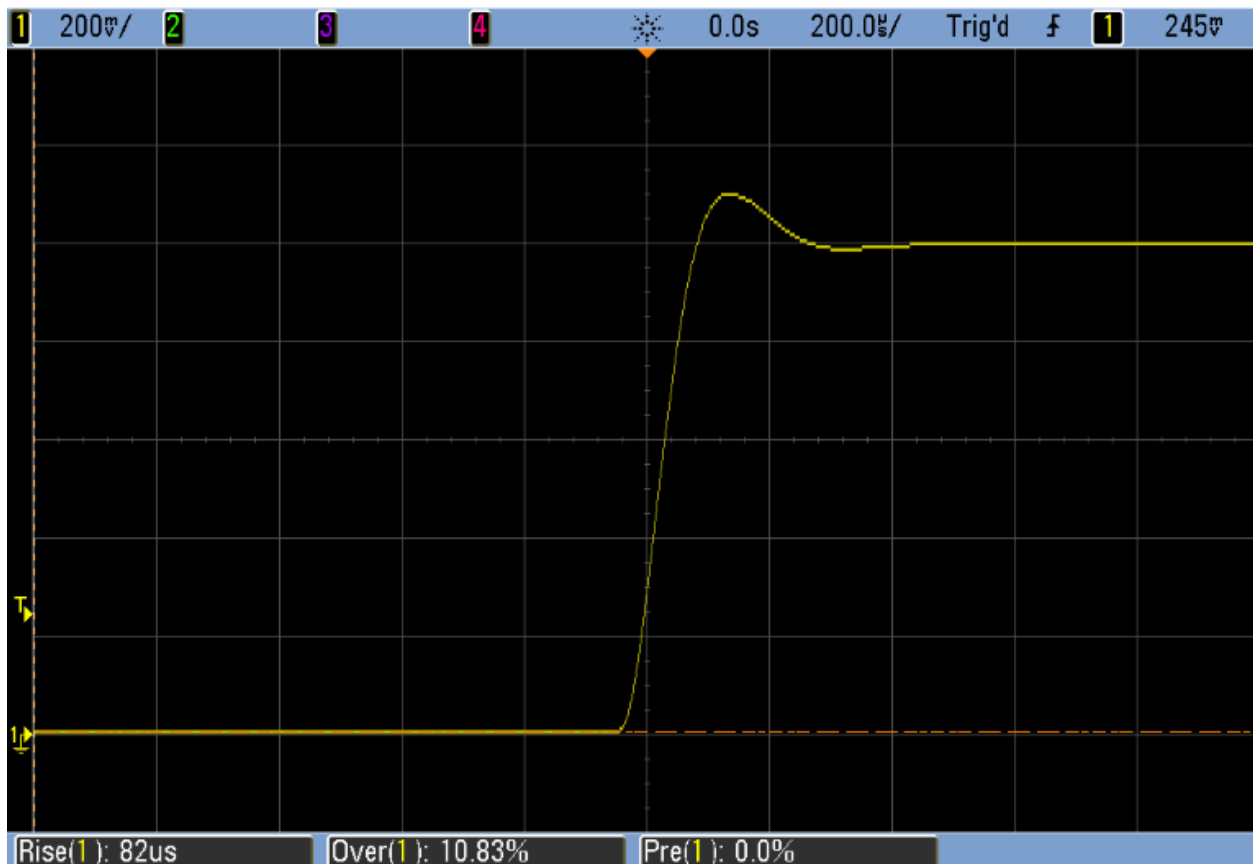


Figure 7: Normal transient response, 100nF, 1V

## c. Slow transient response

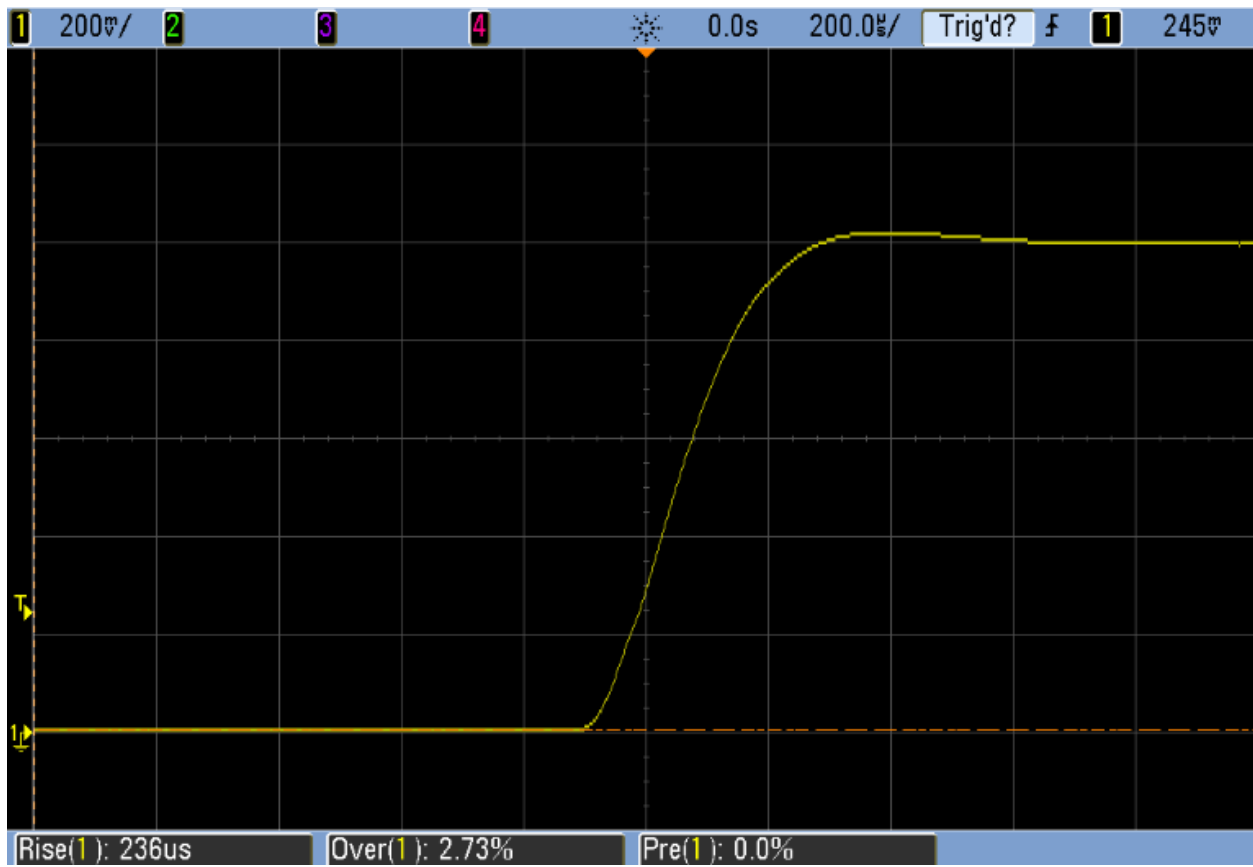


Figure 8: Slow transient response, 100nF, 1V

## d. Custom transient response

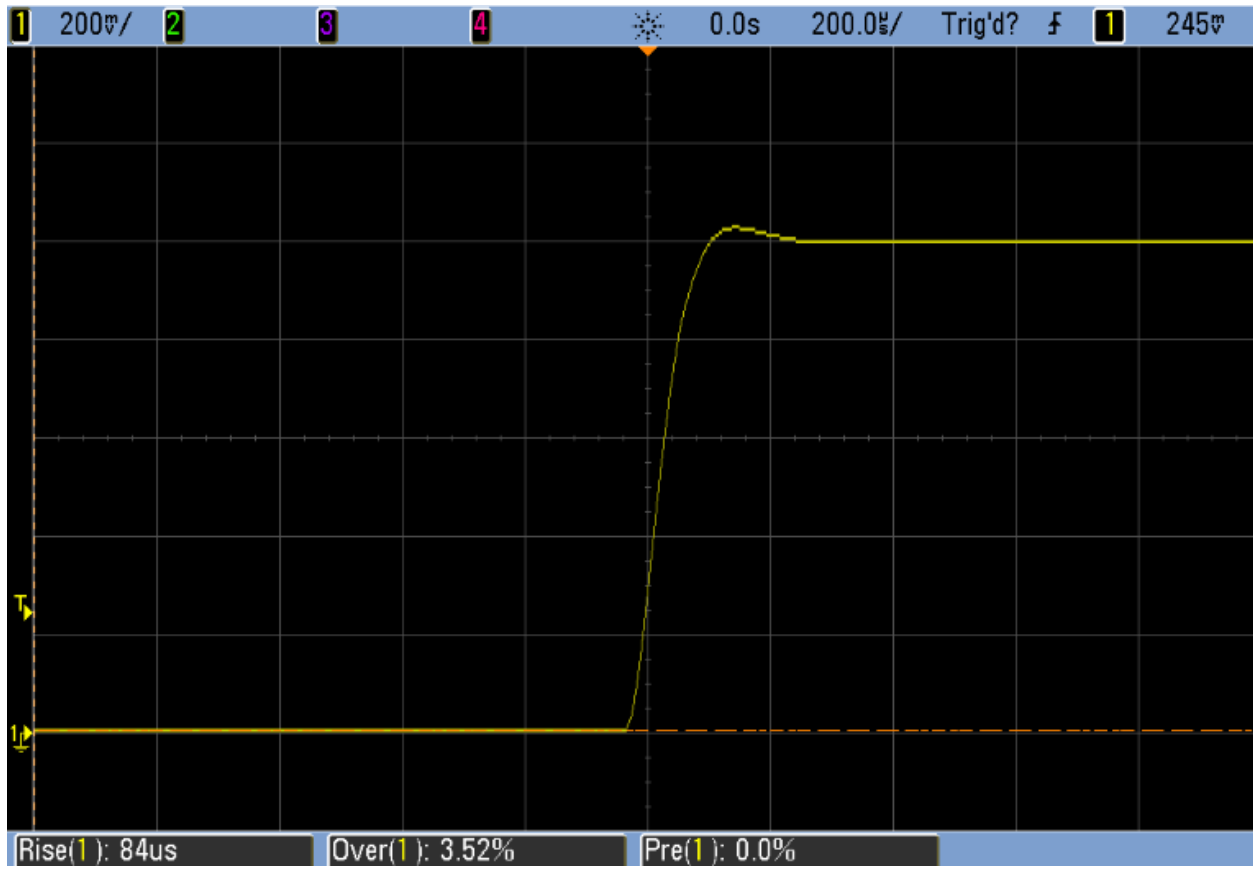


Figure 9: Custom transient response, 100nF, 1VFast transient response, 100nF, 1V

## Section 5: Triggers

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### 5.1 Trigger Inputs

Specification	Value	Comments
Sources	PXI trigger lines	PXI_TRIG[0:7]
	Software trigger	0-1
	External trigger	1
Types	Measure, Measure Array	
Polarity	High, Low, Rising, Falling	Configurable
Pulse Width	$\geq 200\text{ns}$	
Destination	PXI trigger lines 0-7, External trigger	

Table 4 : Trigger Inputs

### 5.2 Trigger Outputs

Specification	Value	Comments
Types	Source Complete, Measure Complete, Enter Compliance, Exit Compliance, During Source, Software Trigger[0-1]	
Polarity	Active High	
Pulse Width	Between 1 $\mu\text{s}$ and 50ms	Configurable
Destination	PXI trigger lines 0-7, External trigger	

Table 5: Trigger Outputs

## Section 6: Others

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1. Output

Signals: 5-wires (Force High, Force Low, Sense High, Sense Low and Guard)

Front Panel Connectors: 25 position D-Sub Female; BNC Socket

2. Dimension: 3U 1-slot space



**Section 7: Revision History**

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## Section 8: Contact Us

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