

# Operating Manual

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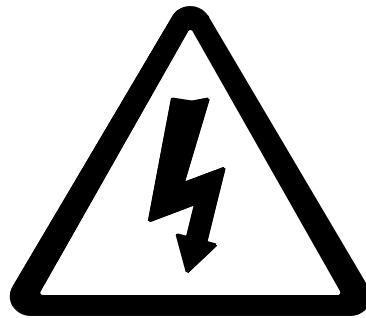


## 1 Safety

This instruction sheet gives details of safe installation and operation of the **Cube350** electricity meter. Safety may be impaired if the instructions are not followed. Labels on each meter give details of equipment ratings for safe operation. Take time to examine all labels before commencing installation. Safety symbols on the meter have specific meanings.



**Refer To User Manual**



**Risk of Electric Shock**


### **WARNING**

The meter contains no user serviceable parts. Installation and commissioning should only be carried out by qualified personnel

Further information is available at <http://www.ndmeter.co.uk>.

## 2 Operation

### 2.1 Energy Displays

Press  to select kWh kvarh and Hours Run display pages.



Active Energy Register





Reactive Energy Register




Hours Run

The Hours Run register accumulates the total time during which the average 3-phase load current exceeds a preset level. This is always displayed with a resolution of 0.1hour. The percentage level of (I1+I2+I3) at which the Hours Run register accumulates is user programmable from 1% to 100% of full scale current.

Press  and  together and hold for 2 seconds to reset the hours run register. Scaling of the energy registers is set by the nominal input currents and voltages and remains constant during operation of the meter. Energy registers will each accumulate from zero to 99,999,999 then restart from zero.

### 2.2 Voltage Displays

Press  to select from the following displays;




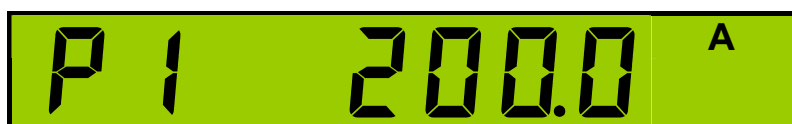
Phase-n Voltages 1 - 3



Line-Line Voltages 1 - 3

### 2.3 Current Displays


Press  to select from the following displays;



Phase 1 - 3 Current

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### 2.4 Power Displays

Press  to select from the following displays;



System Active Power



System Power Factor (C=Capacitive)



Frequency. Hz (Phase 1 voltage)



Phase 1-3 Active Power



Phase 1-3 Power Factor (C=Capacitive)

### 2.5 Phase Healthy Indicators

Three LEDs indicate when the individual phase-neutral voltages are present. These will illuminate when the measured voltage is above 80% of the nominal value. Below this level the LEDs will be off.



Phase Healthy LEDs

## **2.6 Pulse Outputs**

Two isolated pulse outputs are provided for connection to external systems such as Building Energy Management Systems (BEMS), data loggers, remote counters etc. Pulse 1 is associated with the active energy (kWh) register and Pulse 2 with the reactive energy (kvarh) register. A single pulse occurs for each unit of energy on the display (eg 1 pulse per 0.1kWh). The pulse rate (amount of energy associated with each pulse) and pulse length may be set to suit the external system.

### **2.6.1 Pulse LEDs**

Light emitting diodes (LEDs) on the front panel of the instrument remain ON during each associated output pulse.



***Pulse Output Indicators***

## 3 Specification

<b>INPUTS</b>	
<b>System</b>	3 Phase 3 or 4 Wire Unbalanced Load
<b>Voltage Un</b>	400/230V. 3 Phase 3 or 4 Wire 110/63V & 208/120V optional. Others to order.
<b>Current In</b>	5A from external CTs. 1A optional. Fully isolated
<b>Measurement</b>	Voltage 50% to 120%
<b>Range</b>	Current 0.2% to 120%
<b>Frequency Range</b>	Fundamental 45 to 65Hz Harmonics Up to 30th harmonic at 50Hz Individual to the 15th
<b>Burden</b>	Voltage <0.1VA per phase Current <0.1VA per phase
<b>Overload</b>	Voltage x4 for 1 hour Current x40 for 0.5 second max
<b>DISPLAY</b>	
<b>Type</b>	Custom, Supertwist, LCD
<b>Data Retention</b>	10 years min. Stores kWh & Meter set-up
<b>Format</b>	8 x 6.66mm high digits with DPs & 3.2mm legends
<b>Scaling</b>	Direct reading. User programmable CT & VT CT Primary programmable from 10A to 25kA VT primary programmable from 11V to 55kV
<b>Legends</b>	Wh, kWh, MWh etc. depending on user settings
<b>AUXILIARY SUPPLY</b>	
<b>Standard</b>	230V 50/60 Hz ±15%
<b>Options</b>	110V 50/60 Hz ±15%
<b>Load</b>	2VA max.
<b>Overload</b>	x1.2 continuous
<b>ACCURACY All errors ± 1 digit</b>	
<b>kWh</b>	Better than Class 1 per EN 62053-21 & BS 8431
<b>Kvarh</b>	Better than Class 2 per EN 62053-23 & BS 8431
<b>kW &amp; kVA</b>	Better than Class 0.25 IEC 60688
<b>kvar</b>	Better than Class 0.5 IEC 60688
<b>Amps &amp; Volts</b>	Class 0.1 IEC 60688 (0.01In – 1.2In or 0.1Un – 1.2Un)
<b>PF</b>	±0.2° (0.05In – 1.2In and 0.2Un – 1.2Un)
<b>Neutral Current</b>	Class 0.5 IEC 60688 (0.05In – 1.2In)
<b>PULSE OUTPUTS</b>	
<b>Function</b>	1 Pulse per unit of energy
<b>Scaling</b>	Settable between 1 & 1000 counts of kWh register
<b>Pulse Period</b>	0.1 sec. default; Settable between 0.1 and 20 sec
<b>Rise &amp; Fall Time</b>	< 2.0ms
<b>Type</b>	N/O Volt free contact. Optically isolated BiFET
<b>Contacts</b>	100mA ac/dc max., 100V ac/dc max.
<b>Isolation</b>	2.5kV 50Hz 1 minute
<b>MODBUS® Serial Comms</b>	
<b>Bus Type</b>	RS485 2 wire + 0v. ½ Duplex, ¼ unit load
<b>Protocol</b>	MODBUS® RTU with 16 bit CRC
<b>Baud Rate</b>	4800, 9600 or 19,2000 User settable
<b>Address</b>	1 – 247 User settable
<b>Latency</b>	Reply within 250ms max.
<b>Command Rate</b>	New command within 5ms of previous one
<b>GENERAL</b>	
<b>Temperature</b>	Operating -10°C to +65°C Storage -25°C to +70°C
<b>Humidity</b>	< 75% non-condensing
<b>Environment</b>	IP54 standard, IP65 optional
<b>MECHANICAL</b>	
<b>Terminals</b>	Rising Cage. 4mm <sup>2</sup> (12 AWG) cable max.
<b>Enclosure</b>	DIN 43700 96 x 96
<b>Material</b>	Mablex® with fire protection to UL94-V-O. Self extinguishing
<b>Dimensions</b>	96 x 96 mm x 83.5 mm (72 mm behind panel)
<b>Weight</b>	~ 250 gms
<b>SAFETY</b>	
<b>Conforms to</b>	EN 61010-1 Installation Category III

## 4 Programming

### 4.1 Programming Menu

To enter programming mode:



Hold  and  together for 5 Seconds.


A **Security Code** may be required before changes to programmed parameters are allowed. This is only required if a **Security Code** greater than zero is set via serial communications. This is then stored in non-volatile memory during power interruptions.



4-Digit Security Code



To Enter A Security Code:

Press  or  to change each digit. (Lowest significant digit first).

Press  to select next most significant digit.

When a valid code is input the programming menu is displayed.

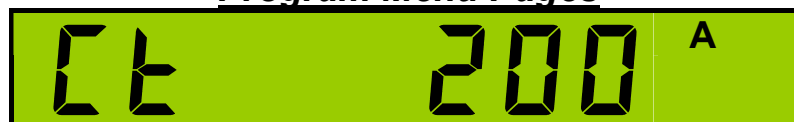
To change a Programmable Value:

Press  or  until the required value is set.

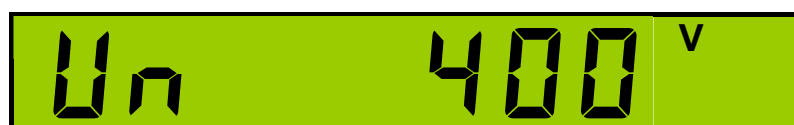
To Move to The Next Setting:

Press  until the next page in the list is displayed. Parameters are set in the following order:

#### Program Menu Pages



Current Transformer Primary



Nominal Line-Line V (or PT Primary)



Output Pulse Rate



Pulse On Time



Pulse Output Test



Hours Run Trip Point (Percent Amps)





Changes Are Stored to Non-Volatile Memory

After the last parameter is set the new values are stored and the meter continues to measure with the new settings.

## 4.2 Fine Adjust

CT Primary and Nominal Voltage settings are selected from a table of preferred values. This reduces the time to program these parameters to industry standard values.

**Fine Adjust Mode** allows values other than those provided by the default tables to be set. To enter/exit **Fine Adjust Mode**:

Hold  and  together for 2 Seconds while setting **CT** or **Un**.

**Fine Adjust Mode** is indicated by a decimal point immediately after the parameter type (ie. “**CT.**” or “**Un.**”)

## 4.3 CT Preferred Values Table (Amps)

10,50,60,100,150,200,250,300,400,500,600,800,  
1000,1200,1250,1500,1600,2000,2400,2500,3000,  
3500,4000,4500,5000,5500,6000,6500,7000,7500,  
8000,8500,9000,9500,10000,10500,11000,11500,  
12000,12500,13000,13500,14000,14500,15000,15500,  
16000,16500,17000,17500,18000,18500,19000,19500,  
20000,20500,21000,21500,22000,22500,23000,23500,  
24000,24500,25000

## 4.4 PT Preferred Values Table (Volts)

11,40,48,100,110,208,400,480,600,800,1000,1100,2200,3300,4000,  
4400,5000,7500,10000,11000,15000,22000,25000,33000,40000  
44000,55000

## 4.5 Pulse Rate Selection Table (Counts)


1,2,5,10,100,1000

## 4.6 Pulse On-Time Selection Table

100ms,200ms,500ms,1s,2s,3s,5s,10s,20s

## 4.7 Pulse Output Test

This feature allows the pulse output hardware and external system connections to be commissioned without a measured load. The LCD shows **Pto** (off) and **Ptr** (run) and the number of test pulses. The test pulse rate is set automatically dependant on the programmed pulse length (maximum 0.5Hz).

Press  to start/stop the test pulses on both outputs.

Press  and  together to stop the test pulses and simultaneously reset the test counter.



## 5 Display Scaling

The units, Wh, kWh or MWh and the position of the decimal point for the energy/power displays are automatically set dependant on the **CT** and **Un** settings for the meter.

The nominal 3-phase input for the meter is defined as:

$$W_{nom} = \sqrt{3} \times Un \times CT$$

Where: **Un** is the nominal Line-Line voltage or PT primary (10V - 55kV).  
**CT** is the current transformer nominal primary (10A – 25kA)  
**Un** and **CT** are set in programming mode.

The display pages are scaled as follows:

<b>CT</b>	<b>Amps Resolution</b>
< 80 A	0.01 A
< 800 A	0.1 A
< 8,000A	1 A
> 8,000A	0.01 kA

<b>Un</b>	<b>Volts Resolution</b>
<= 90 V	0.01 V
<= 1200 V	0.1 V
<= 9,000 V	0.001 kV
> 9,000 V	0.01 kV

<b><math>W_{nom}</math></b>	<b>kW/kvar Resolution</b>	<b>kWh/kvarh Resolution</b>
< 243 W	0.1W (var)	0.001 kWh (kvarh)
< 2.43 kW	0.1W (var)	0.001 kWh (kvarh)
< 24.3 kW	0.001 kW (kvar)	0.01 kWh (kvarh)
< 243 kW	0.01 kW (kvar)	0.1 kWh (kvarh)
< 2.43 MW	0.1 kW (kvar)	1 kWh (kvarh)
< 24.3 MW	1 kW (kvar)	0.01 MWh (Mvarh)
< 243 MW	0.01 MW (Mvar)	0.1 MWh (Mvarh)
> 243 MW	0.1 MW (Mvar)	1 MWh (Mvarh)

## 6 Installation

### 6.1 Mounting In a Panel

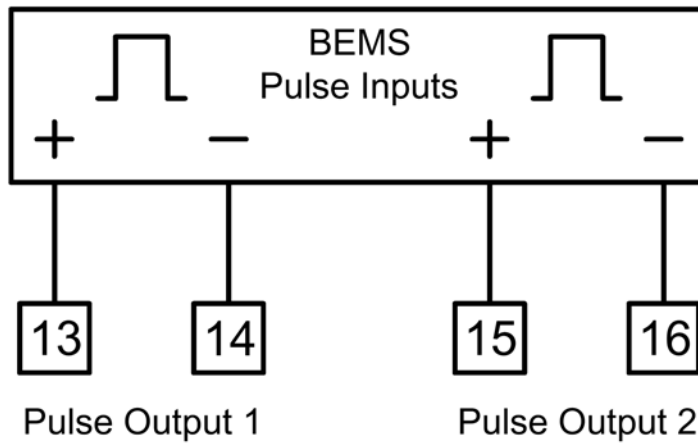
Panels should be 1mm to 4mm thick with a square cutout of 92mm (+0.8/-0.0mm). Insert the meter from the front of the panel, slide the panel clips from the rear of the case and push firmly against the panel ensuring even pressure on each clip.

### 6.2 Pulse Output Connection

The pulse outputs take the form of isolated volt free normally open contact pairs.

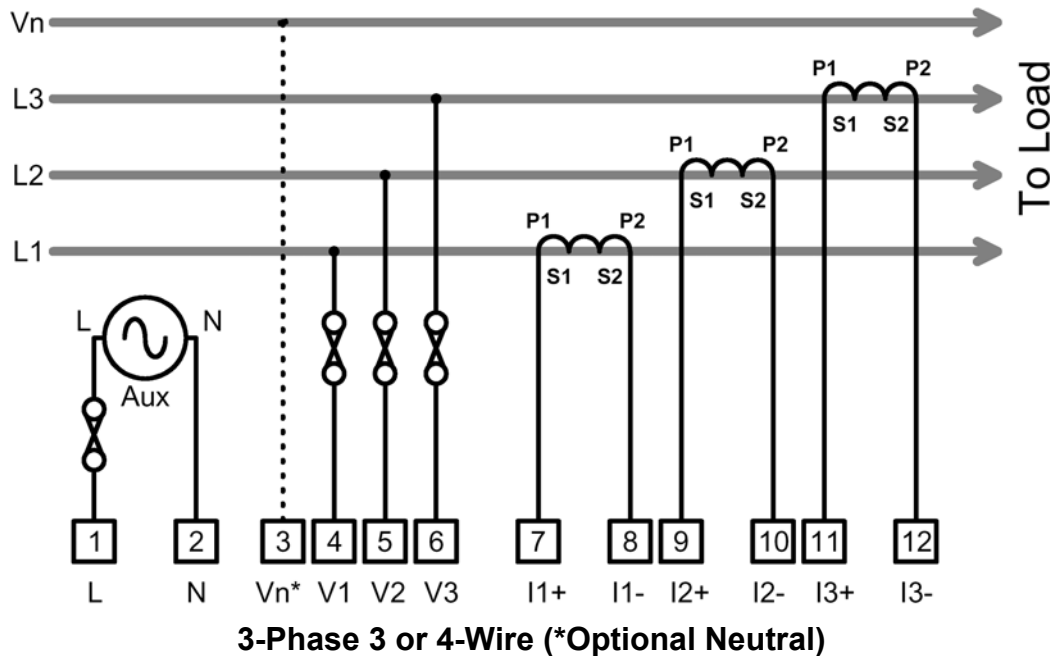
The contacts are isolated from all other circuits (2.5kV / 1 minute) and at 50V from pulse1 to pulse 2.

The pulses can be used as an input to a remote counter, pulse logger, building energy management system etc.

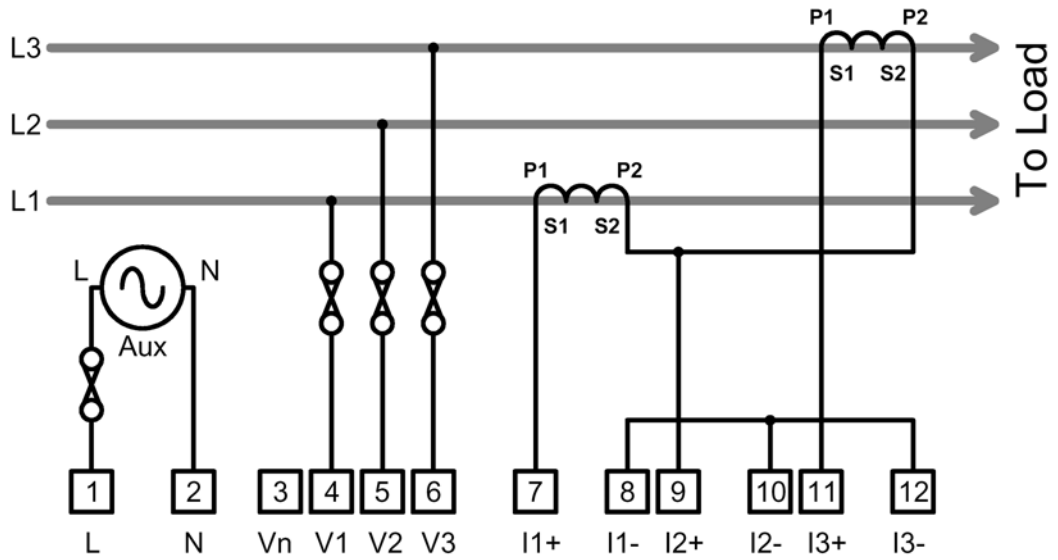


Pulse Output Connections

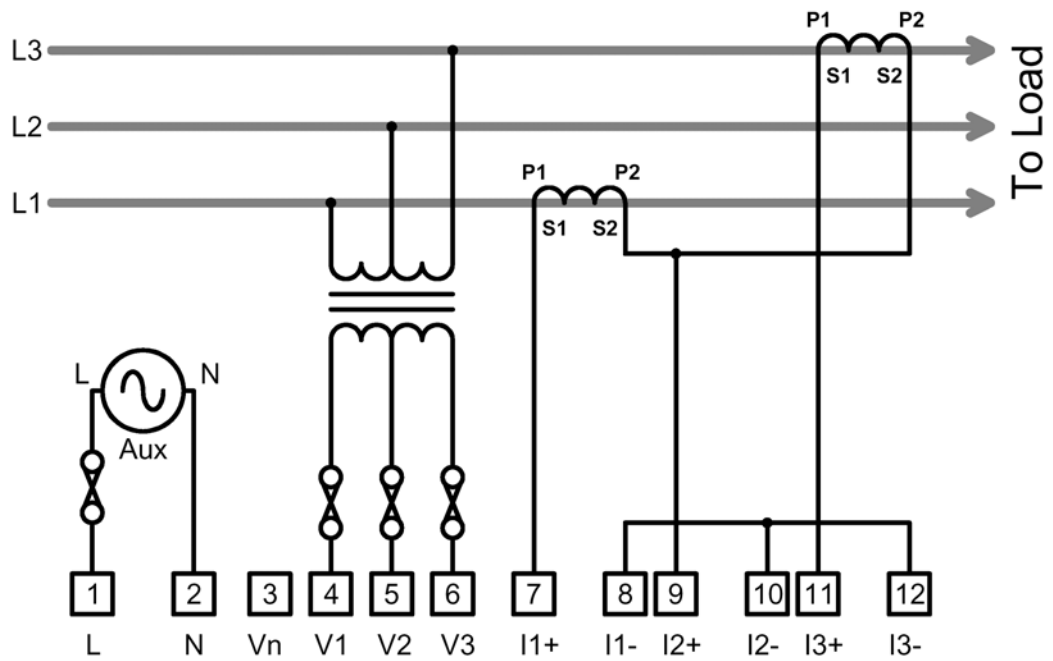
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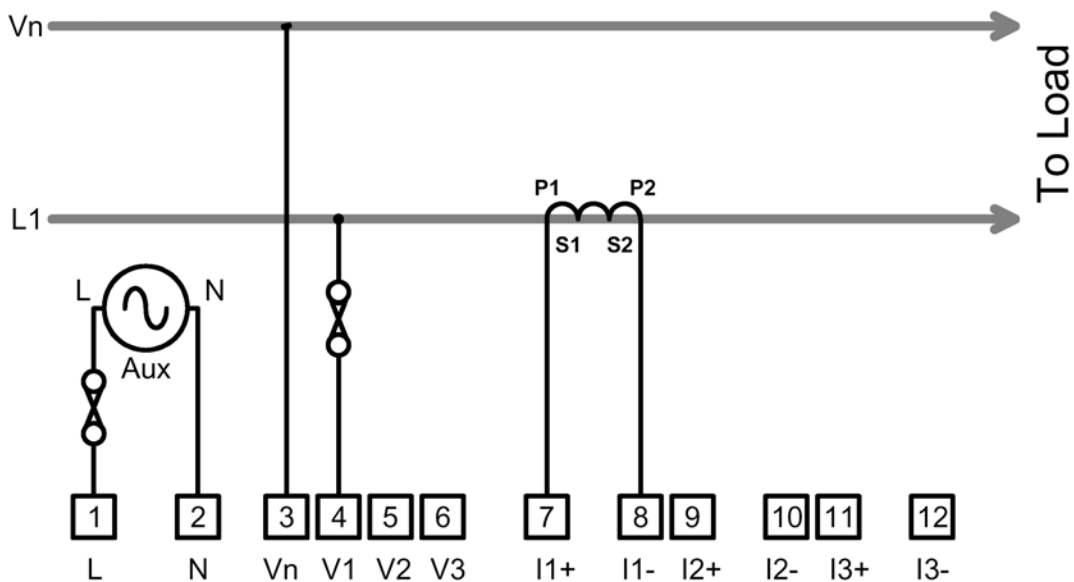
3-Phase 3 or 4-Wire (\*Optional Neutral)



**3-Phase 3-Wire**



**3-Phase High Voltage (HV)**



**Single Phase**