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General Safety Considerations

Warning	**For continued protection against fire hazard replace line fuse only with same type and rating (3A/250V). The use of other fuses or material is prohibited.**

Warning	**This is a Safety Class I product (provided with a protective earthing ground incorporated in the power cord). The mains plug shall only be inserted in a socket outlet provided with a protective earth contact. Any interruption of the protective conductor, inside or outside the instrument, is likely to make the instrument dangerous. Intentional interruption is prohibited.**

Caution	**Ventilation Requirements:** When installing the instrument in a cabinet, the convection into and out of the instrument must not be restricted. The ambient temperature (outside the cabinet) must be less than the maximum operating temperature of the instrument by 4 °C for every 100 watts dissipated in the cabinet. If the total power dissipated in the cabinet is greater than 800 watts, then forced convection must be used.

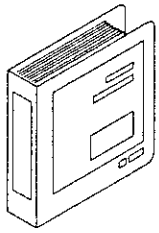
How to Use This Guide

This guide uses the following conventions:

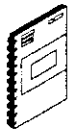
(Front-Panel Key)	This represents a key physically located on the instrument.
`Softkey`	This indicates a "softkey," a key whose label is determined by the instrument's firmware.
`Screen Text`	This indicates text displayed on the instrument's screen.

HP 8752C Network Analyzer Documentation Map

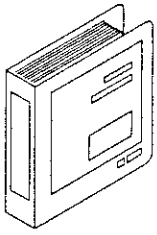
The **Installation and Quick Start Guide** familiarizes you with the HP 8752C network analyzer's front and rear panels, electrical and environmental operating requirements, as well as procedures for installing, configuring, and verifying the operation of the HP 8752C.



The **User's Guide** shows how to make measurements, explains commonly-used features, and tells you how to get the most performance from your analyzer.



The **Quick Reference Guide** provides a summary of all available user features.



The **Programmer's Guide** provides programming information including: an HP-IB command reference, an HP-IB programming reference, as well as programming examples.

The **System Verification and Performance Tests Guide** provides the system verification and performance tests and the Performance Test Records for your HP 8752C network analyzer.

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Installing Your Analyzer

This chapter shows you how to install your analyzer and confirm the correct operation, by following the steps below:

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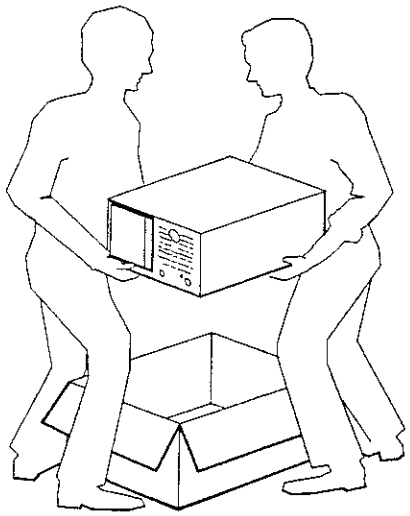
3. Meet electrical and environmental requirements.
4. Configure the analyzer.
   - ☐ standard configuration
   - ☐ option 075 configuration - 75Ω test ports
   - ☐ printer or plotter configuration
   - ☐ rack-mount configuration
5. Verify the analyzer operation.
   - ☐ self-test
   - ☐ installed options
   - ☐ operator's check
   - ☐ transmission mode
   - ☐ reflection mode
6. Backup the EEPROM disk.

STEP 1. Verify the Shipment

1. Unpack the contents of all the shipping containers. **WARNING:** The HP 8752C weighs approximately 56 pounds (25.4 kilograms). Use correct lifting techniques.



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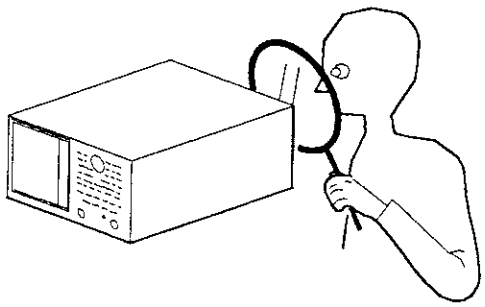
2. Carefully inspect the analyzer to ensure that it was not damaged during shipment.



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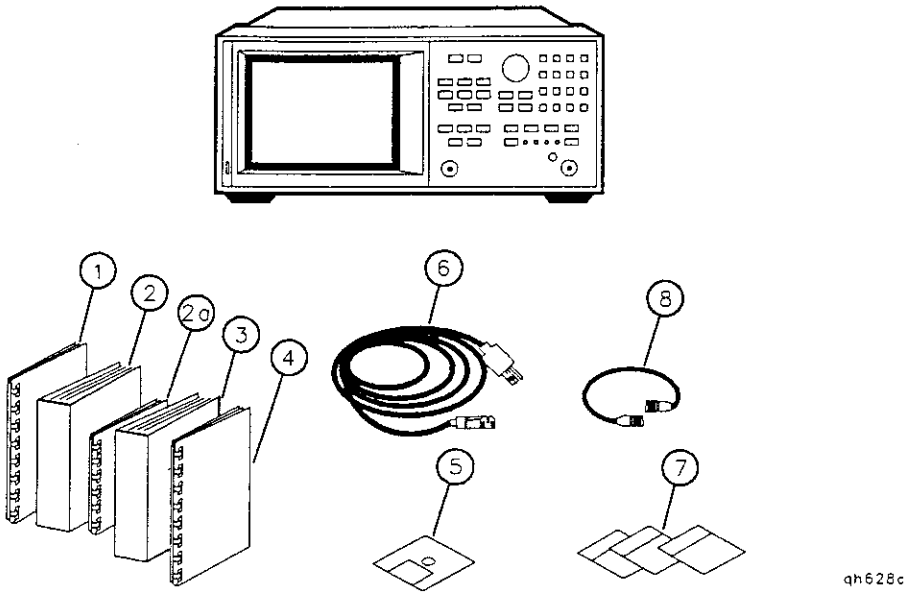
Note If your analyzer was damaged during shipment, contact your nearest Hewlett-Packard office or sales representative. A list of HP Sales and Service offices is provided at the end of this guide.

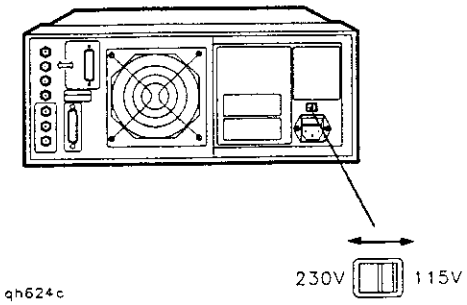
3. Verify that all the accessories have been included with the analyzer.



Received	Part Number	Item Number	Description
	08752-90139	1	Installation and Quick Start Guide
	08752-90135	2	User's Guide
	08752-90138	2a	User's Quick Reference Guide
	08752-90137	3	Programming Guide
	08752-90157	4	System Verification and Test Guide
	08753-10013	5	EEPROM Backup Disk
	unique to country	6	ac power cable
	5062-3978	7	Rack Flange Kit (Option 1CM only)
	5062-4072	7	Rack Flange Kit with Handles (Option 1CP only)
	5062-3990	7	Front Handle Kit (standard)
	8120-4781	8	Test Port Cable (50 Ω)
	8120-2408	8	Test Port Cable (75 Ω)

STEP 3. Meet Electrical and Environmental Requirements

1. Set the line-voltage selector to the position that corresponds to the ac power source.



2. Ensure the available ac power source meets the following requirements:

- 90 - 132 VAC
- 50 - 60 Hz / 400 Hz (single phase)

OR

- 198 - 264 VAC
- 50 - 60 Hz (single phase)

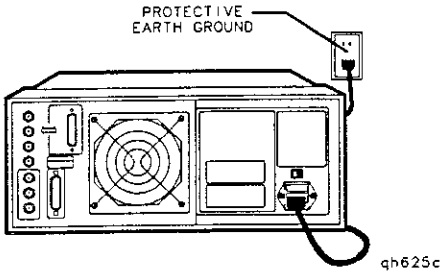
The analyzer power consumption is 280 VA max.

3. Ensure the operating environment meets the following requirements:

- 0 to 55°C
- < 95% relative humidity at 40°C (non-condensing)
- < 15,000 feet (≈4,500 meters) altitude

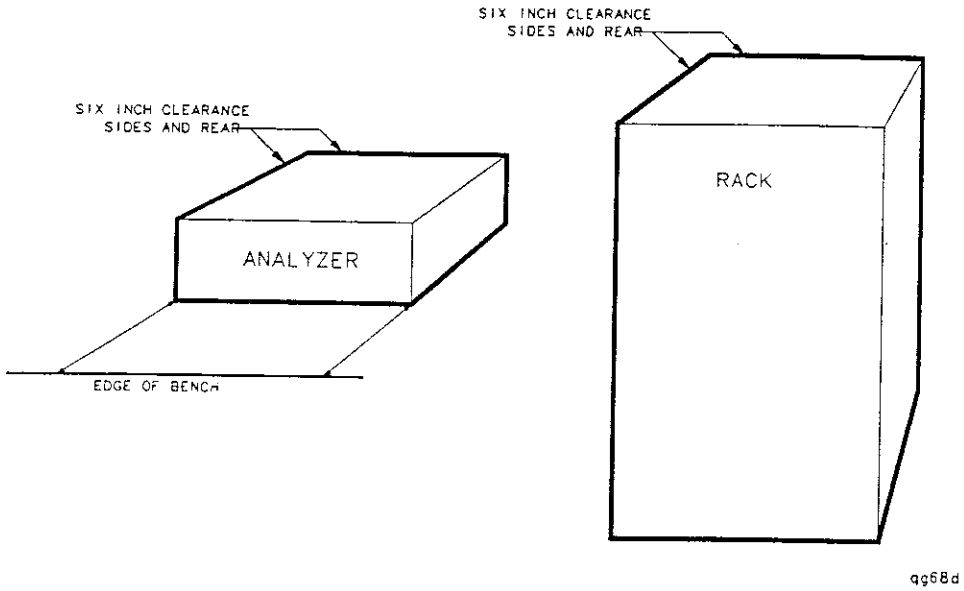
Some HP 8752C performance parameters are specified for 25°C ±5°C. Refer to the *HP 8752C Network Analyzer User's Guide* for information on the environmental compatibility of warranted performance.

4. Verify that the power cable is not damaged, and that the power-source outlet provides a protective earth contact.



WARNING: Any interruption of the protective (grounding) conductor or disconnection of the protective earth terminal, can result in personal injury.

5. Ensure there are at least six inches of clearance between the sides and back of either the stand-alone analyzer or the system cabinet.



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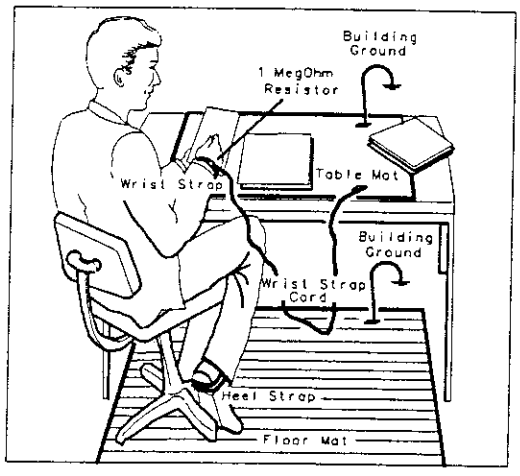
CAUTION: The environmental temperature must be 4°C less than the maximum operating temperature of the analyzer for every 100 watts dissipated in the cabinet. If the total power dissipated in the cabinet is >800 watts, then you must provide forced convection.

6. Set up a static-safe workstation. Electrostatic discharge (ESD) can damage or destroy electronic components.



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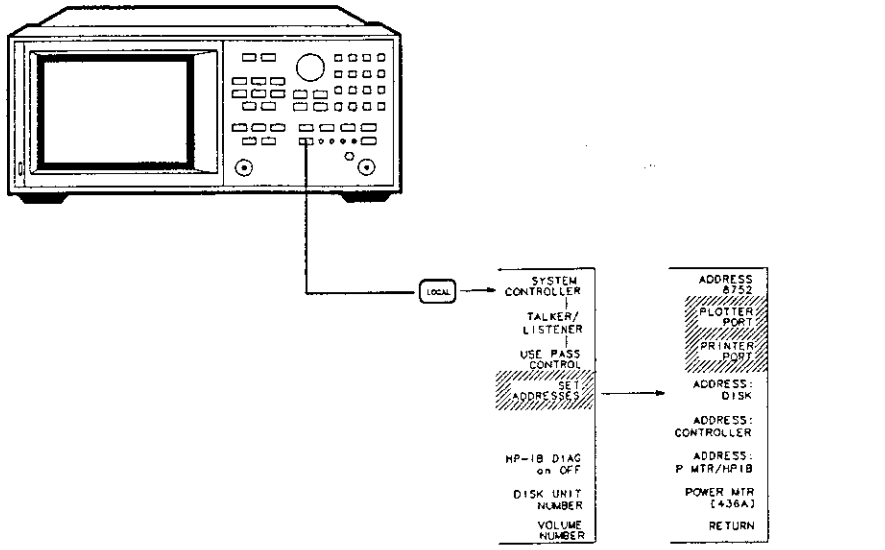
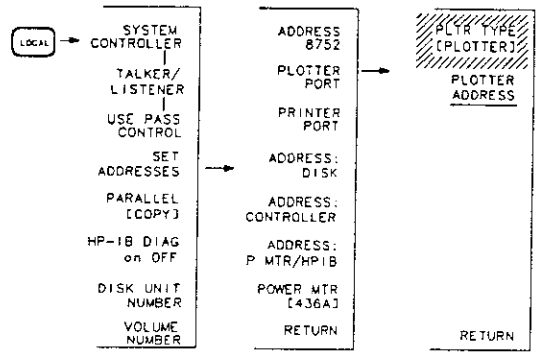
- static-control table mat and earth ground wire: HP P/N 9300-0797
- wrist-strap cord: HP P/N 9300-0980
- wrist-strap: HP P/N 9300-1367
- heel-straps: HP P/N 9300-1308
- floor mat: not available through Hewlett-Packard

2. Press SET ADDRESSES and then choose either PRINTER PORT or PLOTTER PORT, depending on your hardcopy device.



3. If you will be using a plotter, select `PLTR TYPE` and keep pressing the key until the choice you want appears.



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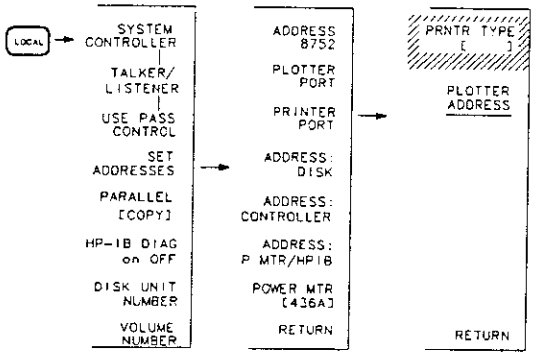
- Choose `PLOTTER` for a pen plotter such as the HP 7440A, 7470A, 7475A, or 7550B.
- Choose `HPGL PRT` for a PCL5 compatible printer, which supports HP-GL/2, such as the:
  - ☐ LaserJet III
  - ☐ LaserJet 4
  - ☐ DeskJet 1200C

4. If you will be using a printer, press `PRNTR TYPE` until your printer choice appears.



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- Choose your printer type from these HP printers.
  - ☐ `THINKJET`
  - ☐ `DESKJET`
  - ☐ `LASERJET`
  - ☐ `PAINTJET`
- Choose `EPSON-P2` for Epson-compatible printers (ESC/P2 printer control language).

5. If you will be using a disk drive, press `PLTR PORT DISK`.

Configuring the Analyzer with Cabinet Flange Kits

There are three kits available for the analyzer:

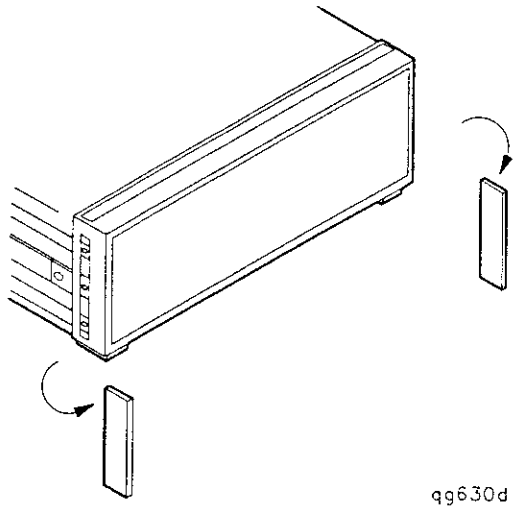
- instrument front handle kit (standard, HP part number 5062-3990)
- cabinet flange kit without front handles (Option 1CM, HP part number 5026-3978)
- cabinet flange kit with front handles (Option 1CP, HP part number 5062- 4072)

Attaching Handles to the Analyzer (Standard)

1. Ensure that the front handles kit is complete. **NOTE:** If any items are damaged or missing from the kit, contact the nearest HP sales and service office to order a replacement kit. Items within the kit (handles, flanges, screws, etc.) are not individually available.

2. Remove the side trim strips.

- (2) front handles
- (6) screws
- (2) trim strips



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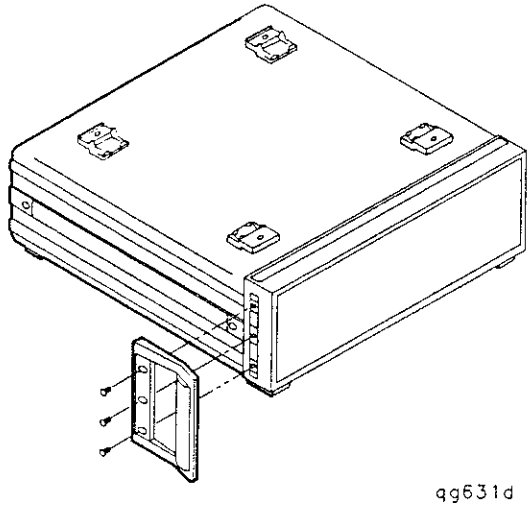
3. Attach the handles to the sides of the front panel, using three screws for each handle.



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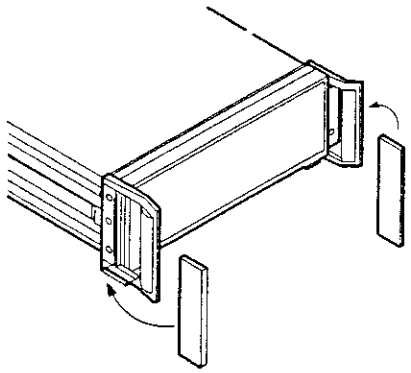
4. Place the new trim strip over the screws on the handles.



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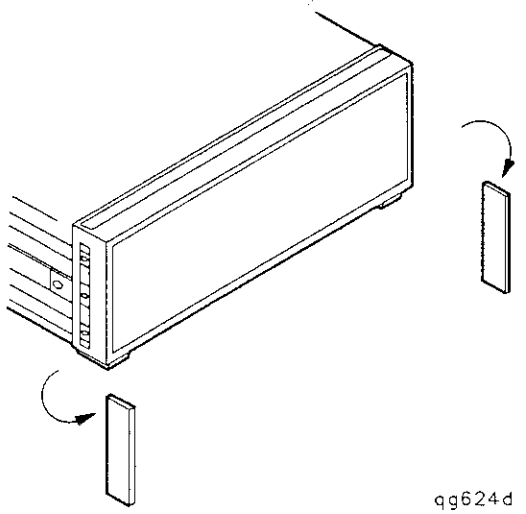
WARNING: If an instrument handle is damaged, you should replace it immediately. Damaged handles can break while you are moving or lifting the instrument and cause personal injury or damage to the instrument.

Attaching the Cabinet Flanges to an Analyzer (Option 1CM)

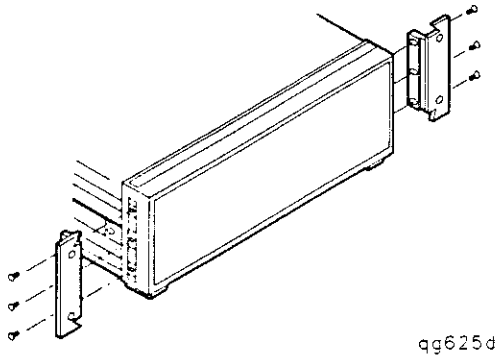
1. Ensure that the cabinet flange kit is complete.

- (2) cabinet mount flanges
- (6) screws

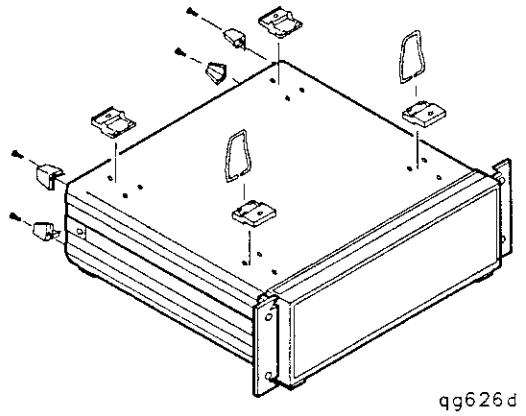
2. Remove side trim strips.



3. Attach the cabinet flanges to the sides of the front panel using three screws for each flange.



4. Remove the feet and the tilt stands before cabinet mounting the instrument.

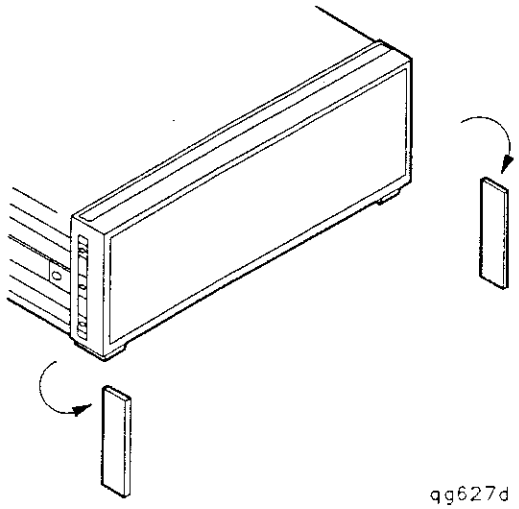


Attaching Cabinet Flanges and Front Handles to an Analyzer (Option 1CP)

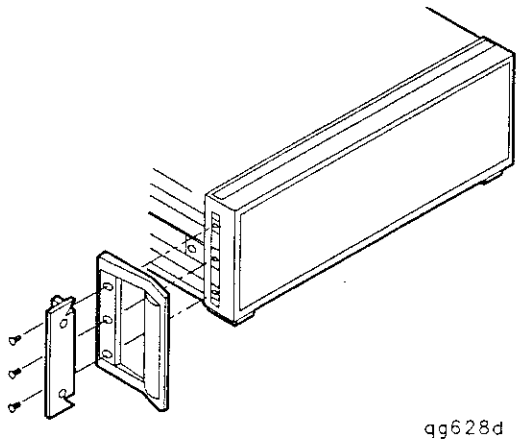
1. Ensure that the cabinet flange kit with handles is complete.

- (2) cabinet mount flanges
- (2) front handles
- (8) screws

2. Remove the side trim strips.



3. Attach the cabinet mount flanges and the handles to the sides of the front panel, using four screws per side. (Attach the flanges to the outside of the handles.)



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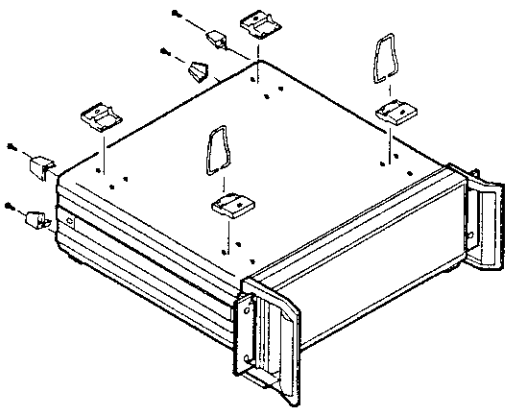


STEP 5. Verify the Analyzer Operation

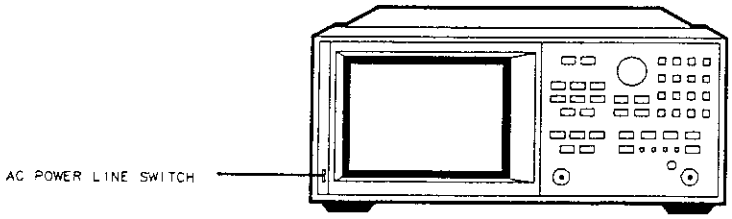
This series of procedures shows you how to verify that your analyzer is operating correctly.

- viewing installed options
- initiating the analyzer self-test
- running the operator's check
- testing transmission mode
- testing reflection mode

Note The HP 8752C has an on-site warranty. If the HP 8752C fails any of the following tests, call your local HP sales and service office. A customer engineer will be dispatched to service your instrument on-site. If for some reason a customer engineer is not available at the time, send the analyzer to the nearest HP service center for repair, including a description of any failed test and any error message. Ship the analyzer, using the original or comparable anti-static packaging materials. A table listing of Hewlett-Packard Sales and Service offices is provided at the end of this guide.

Viewing the Installed Options

1. Switch on the ac power supplied to the analyzer, or cycle the ac power, using the LINE button.



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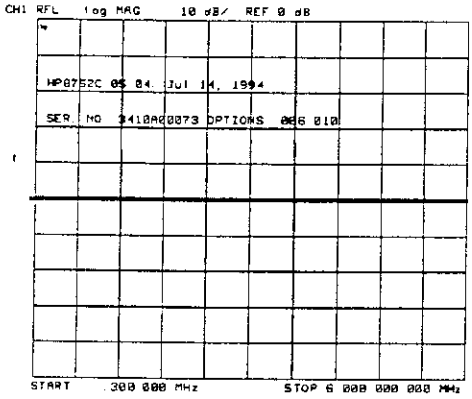
2. Locate the serial number and configuration options. Compare them to the shipment documents.



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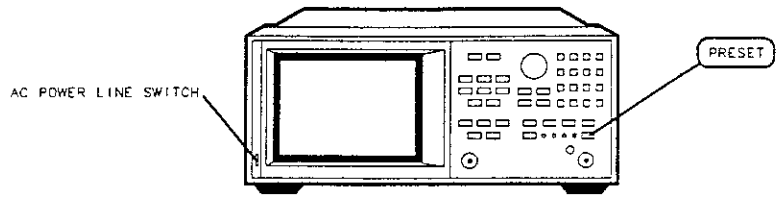
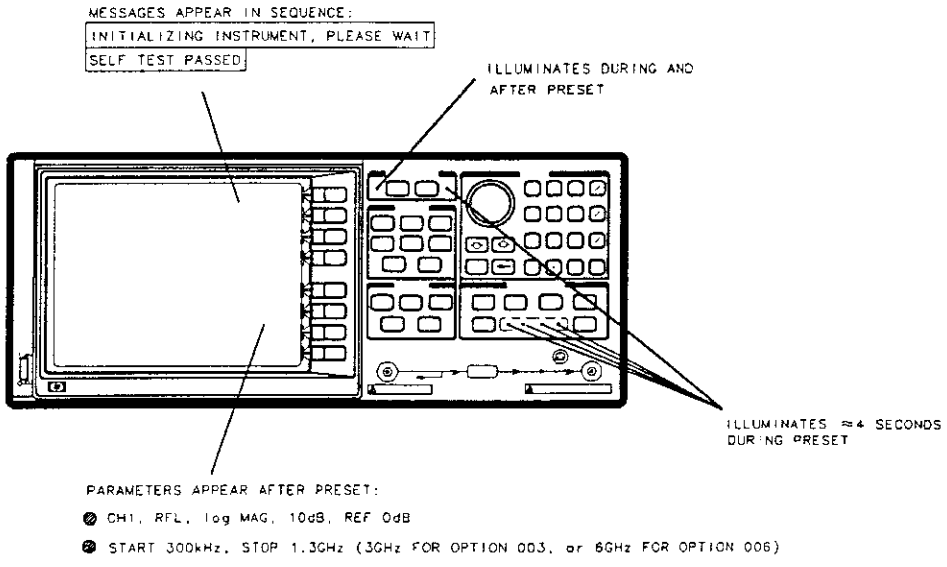
Starting the Analyzer Self-Test

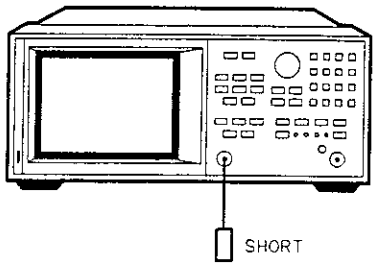
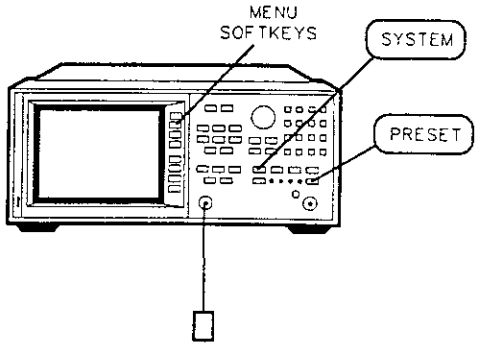
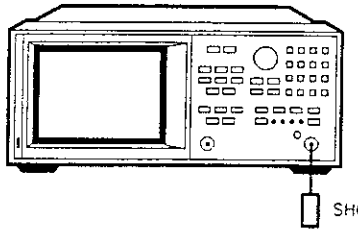
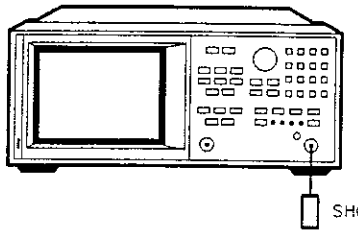
1. Switch on the ac power supplied to the analyzer, and press PRESET.



2. Watch for the following indications that the analyzer is operating correctly:



Running the Operator's Check

1. Connect the equipment as shown.	2. Press (PRESET) (SYSTEM) SERVICE MENU TESTS EXTERNAL TESTS EXECUTE TEST .
 qh67c	 qh68c
3. Follow the prompts shown on the analyzer display and then press CONTINUE until the test is finished.	4. Press (↑) EXECUTE TEST to continue the test sequence. Follow the prompts shown on the analyzer display, and then press CONTINUE until the test is finished.
 qh69c	 qh69c

STEP 6. Backup the EEPROM Disk

Description

Correction constants are stored in EEPROM on the A9 controller assembly. The advantage of having an EEPROM backup disk is its capacity to store all the correction-constant data to a new or repaired A9 assembly without having to rerun the correction-constant procedures. The HP 8752C network analyzer is shipped from the factory with an EEPROM backup disk which is unique to each instrument. Make a second EEPROM backup disk to use in case of failure or damage to the original backup disk.

Equipment

3.5-inch disk ..... HP 92192A (box of 10)
disk drive ..... HP 9122C

EEPROM Backup Disk Procedure

1. Insert a 3.5-inch disk into the disk drive.
2. If the disk is not formatted, press (SAVE/RECALL) SELECT DISK EXTERNAL DISK RETURN FILE UTILITIES FORMAT DISK.

   ■ To format a LIF disk, select FORMAT:LIF

Note The HP 8752C does not support a disk hierarchy file system (HFS).

   ■ To format a DOS disk, select FORMAT:DOS

   Press FORMAT EXT DISK and answer YES at the query.

3. Press (SYSTEM) SERVICE MENU SERVICE MODES MORE STORE EEPR ON

   (SAVE/RECALL) SAVE STATE to store the correction-constants data onto floppy disk.

Note A default file "FILE0" is created. The file name appears in the upper left-hand corner of the display. The file type "ISTATE(E)" describes the file as an instrument-state, with data copied from the EEPROM.

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4. Press FILE UTILITIES RENAME FILE ERASE TITLE. Use the RPG and the SELECT LETTER softkey to rename the file "FILE0" to "N*12345*" where *12345* represents the last 5 digits of the instrument's serial number. (The first character in the file name must be a letter.) When finished, press DONE.
5. Label the disk with the serial number of the instrument and the words "EEPROM Backup Disk".

Note Whenever the HP 8752C network analyzer is returned to Hewlett-Packard for servicing and/or calibration, send the EEPROM backup disk with the analyzer. This will significantly reduce the instrument repair time.

The EEPROM backup disk procedure is now complete.

Quick Start: Learning How to Make Measurements

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The information and procedures in this chapter teach you how to make measurements with your analyzer.

- analyzer front panel operation
- general steps for making measurements
  - step 1. selecting measurement parameters
  - step 2. measuring a device
  - step 3. outputting measurement results
- transmission measurements
  - insertion loss
  - save/recall
  - 3 dB bandwidth
  - out-of-band rejection
  - ripple or flatness
- reflection measurements
  - return loss
  - print output
  - reflection coefficient
  - standing wave ratio (SWR)
  - reflection in polar format
  - impedance
  - admittance

The HP 8752C - At a Glance

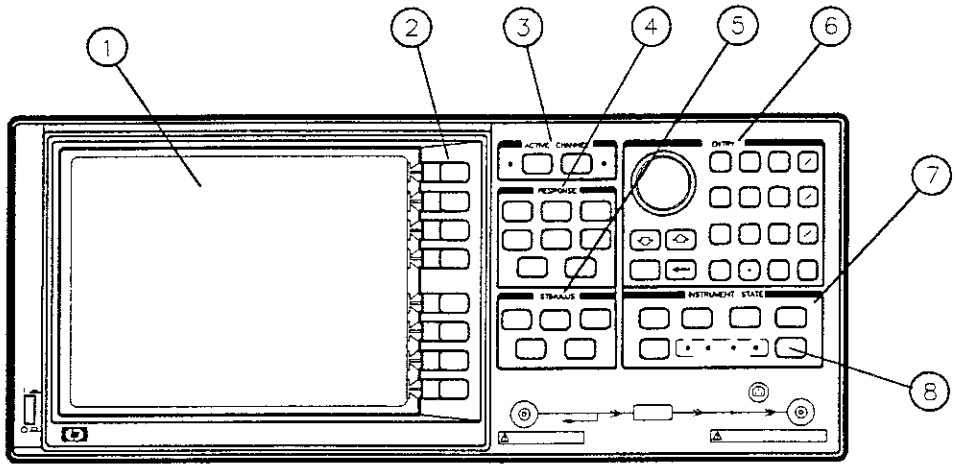

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Figure 2-1. The HP 8752C Network Analyzer

1 - The analyzer display shows the measurement trace, softkey labels, and the values of the current measurement parameters.

2 - The softkeys allow you to make choices from the "menus" that are shown on the analyzer display. The menus list the possible choices for a particular function.

3 - The channel keys allow you to choose which channel is active, and the measurement parameters for that channel. You can select many of the measurement and display functions independently for each measurement channel. To modify the measurement parameters of a particular channel, first select channel one or two, and then make the desired measurement choices. Notice that the light next to the current active channel's key is illuminated.

4 - The response keys allow you to control the analyzer's receiver. The top three keys allow you to choose the measurement parameter (Press: MEAS for softkey/measurement options such as REFLECTION, TRANSMISSN, etc.), presentation format (amplitude or phase versus frequency, Smith chart, polar coordinates, and so on), and scale and reference values for a full screen display.

The lower five keys in this section enhance the usability of the measured data. The displayed traces may be overlaid, manipulated with math function keys, averaged,

normalized, or read out at specific points along the trace with up to four independent markers per channel.

5 - The stimulus keys allow you to define an appropriate test port output signal for the device under test. Test port output frequency may be swept over any portion of the range 300 kHz to 1.3 GHz (300 kHz to 3 GHz with option 003, or 300 kHz to 6 GHz with option 006), at powers between +5 and -20 dBm (+10 and -85 dBm with option 004). The stimulus keys also allow you to control the start and stop times in the (optional) time domain mode. The choices for sweep time and resolution, linear versus logarithmic sweep, power sweep, number of points, and others are also selected here.

6 - The numeric keypad allows you to enter a numeric value for a chosen parameter, for example frequency or amplitude. Use the keys to the right of the digit keys to terminate the data entry with the appropriate units. Use [G/n] (Giga/nano), [M/μ] (Mega/micro), [k/m] (kilo/milli), and [x1] (basic units: dB, dBm, degree, second) as applicable. You can also use the knob for making continuous adjustments to parameter values, while the [↑] and [↓] keys allow you to change values in steps.

7 - The instrument state keys allow you to control several functions, including instrument preset, save/recall, printer or plotter control, time domain transform (optional), test sequencing, and built-in diagnostic tests.

8 - The PRESET key sets the analyzer to either a predetermined, "factory" or user-defined preset condition. See the "Preset State and Memory Allocation" chapter in the *HP 8752C Network Analyzer User's Guide* for the conditions at preset.

Measurement Sequence

This sequence is used throughout the guide to illustrate the use of the HP 8752C.

Step 1. Choose measurement parameters with your test device connected

- Press the (PRESET) key to return the analyzer to a known state.
- Connect your test device to the analyzer.
- Choose the settings that are appropriate for the intended measurement.
  - measurement type
  - frequencies
  - number of points
  - power
  - measurement trace format
- Make adjustments to the parameters while you are viewing the device response.

Step 2. Measure the device

- Reconnect the device under test.
- Use the markers to identify various device response values.

Note Depending on your measurement setup, you may be able to increase the accuracy of your measurements by calibrating your analyzer. Refer to the "Optimizing Measurement Results" chapter of the *HP 8752C Network Analyzer User's Guide* for more information.

Step 3. Output measurement results

- Store the measurement file to a disk.
- Generate a hardcopy with a printer or plotter.

Making Transmission Measurements

This example procedure shows you how to measure the transmission response of a bandpass filter. The measurement parameters listed are unique to this particular test device.

For further measurement examples, refer to the "Making Measurements" chapter in the *HP 8752C Network Analyzer User's Guide.*

Step 1. Choose the measurement parameters with the device connected

1. Connect your test device to the analyzer as shown in Figure 2-2.

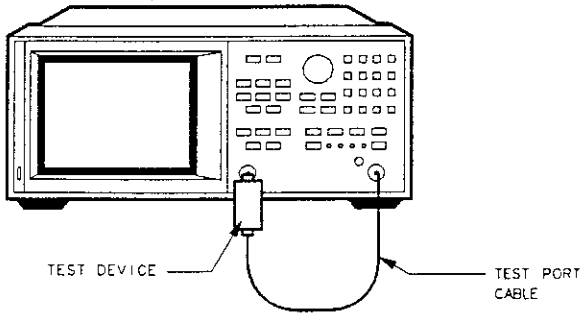

Figure 2-2. Device Connections for a Transmission Measurement

2. Press [PRESET] and choose the following measurement settings:
3. [MEAS] TRANSMISSN
4. [CENTER] [1] [3] [4] [M/μ] (Change to match the center frequency of your device.)
5. [SPAN] [1] [3] [4] [M/μ] (Change to match the bandwidth of your device.)
6. [MENU] POWER [5] [x1] RETURN NUMBER of POINTS [↑]
7. [SCALE REF] AUTO SCALE
8. Look at the device response to determine if these are the parameters that you want for your device measurement. For example, if the trace is noisy you may want to increase the test port output power, reduce the IF bandwidth, or add averaging. Or, to better see an area of interest you may want to change the test frequencies.

Step 2. Measure the device

1. Connect your test device as in Figure 2-2. Use adapters where appropriate.
2. Press (SCALE REF) AUTO SCALE to reposition the measurement trace for the best view.
3. Press (MARKER) and turn the front panel knob to place the marker at a frequency of interest. Read the device's insertion loss to 0.001 dB resolution as shown in Figure 2-3.

   The analyzer shows the frequency of the marker location in the active entry area (upper-left corner of display). The analyzer also shows the amplitude and frequency of the marker location in the top-right corner of the display.

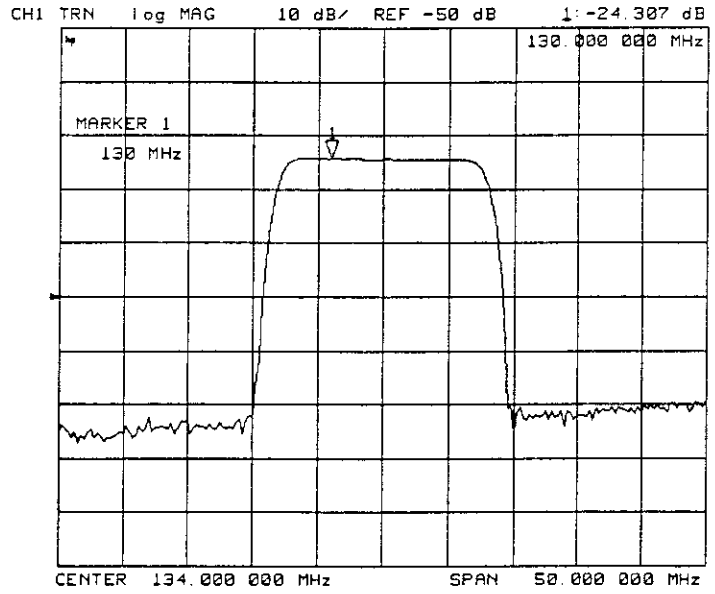

Figure 2-3. Example Measurement of Insertion Loss

Step 3. Output measurement results

This example procedure shows you how to output (store) measurement results to a disk.

For more information on creating a hardcopy of the measurement results, refer to the "Printing, Plotting, or Saving Measurement Results" chapter in the *HP 8752C Network Analyzer User's Guide.*

1. Insert a DOS- or LIF-formatted disk into the disk drive.

Note The HP 8752C does not support a disk hierarchy file system (HFS).

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2. To output the measurement results to a disk, press:

   (SAVE/RECALL) SELECT DISK

   - Choose INTERNAL MEMORY if you want the analyzer to show the catalog for the contents of the analyzer's internal memory.
   - Choose EXTERNAL DISK if you want the analyzer to show the catalog for the contents of a disk that is in an external disk drive that is configured to the analyzer.
   - Choose CONFIGURE EXTERNAL DISK to set the address of the external disk drive.

3. Press RETURN DEFINE DISK-SAVE

   - Choose DATA ARRAY ON if you want to store the error-corrected data on disk with the instrument state.
   - Choose RAW ARRAY ON if you want to store the raw data (ratioed and averaged) on disk with the instrument state.
   - Choose FORMAT ARY ON if you want to store the formatted data on disk with the instrument state.
   - Choose GRAPHICS ON if you want to store user display graphics on disk with the instrument state.
   - Choose DATA ONLY ON if you want to only store the measurement data of the device under test. The analyzer will not store the instrument state and measurement calibration. Also, the saved data cannot be retrieved into the analyzer.
   - Choose SAVE USING BINARY if you want to store data in a binary format.
   - Choose SAVE USING ASCII if you want to store data in an ASCII format.

4. Press RETURN SAVE STATE and the analyzer saves the file with a default title.

Measuring Other Aspects of Insertion Loss with Marker Functions

Using the analyzer marker functions, you can derive several important filter parameters from the measurement trace that is shown on the analyzer display.

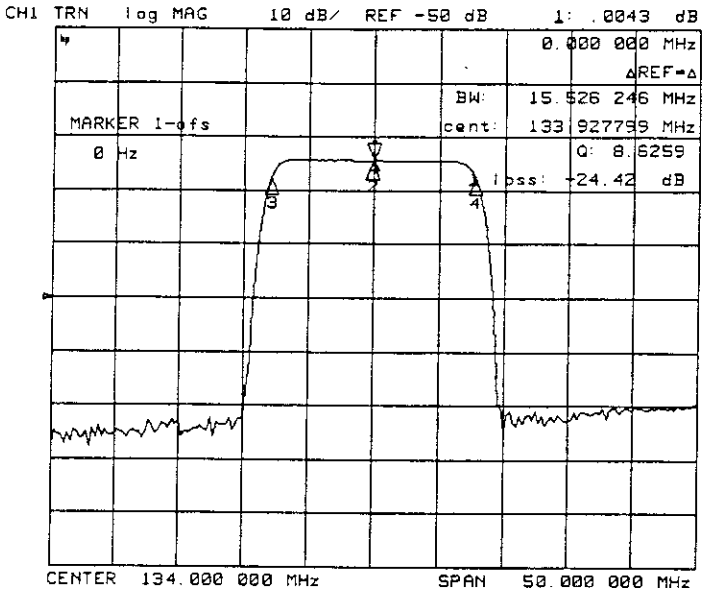

Figure 2-4. Example Measurement of 3 dB Bandwidth

3 dB Bandwidth.

The analyzer can calculate your test device bandwidth between two equal power levels. In this example procedure, the analyzer calculates the 3 dB bandwidth relative to the center frequency of the filter.

1. Press (MARKER) and turn the front panel knob to move the marker to the center frequency position of the filter passband.
   - You can also position the marker by entering a frequency location: for example, press (1) (3) (4) (M/μ).
2. Press MKR ZERO to zero the delta marker magnitude and frequency (this sets the delta marker reference).

   The softkey label changes to MKR ZERO Δ REF=Δ to show you that the delta reference point is the small Δ symbol.
3. Press (MARKER FCTN) MKR SEARCH to enter the marker search mode.
4. Press WIDTHS ON.

   The analyzer calculates the −3 dB bandwidth, the center frequency and the Q (Quality Factor) of the test device and lists the results in the upper-right corner of the display. Markers 3 and 4 indicate the location of the −3 dB points, as shown in Figure 2-4.
5. Press WIDTH VALUE and enter (−) (6) (x1).

   The analyzer now calculates the 3 dB bandwidth.
6. Press (MARKER) all OFF when you are finished with this measurement.

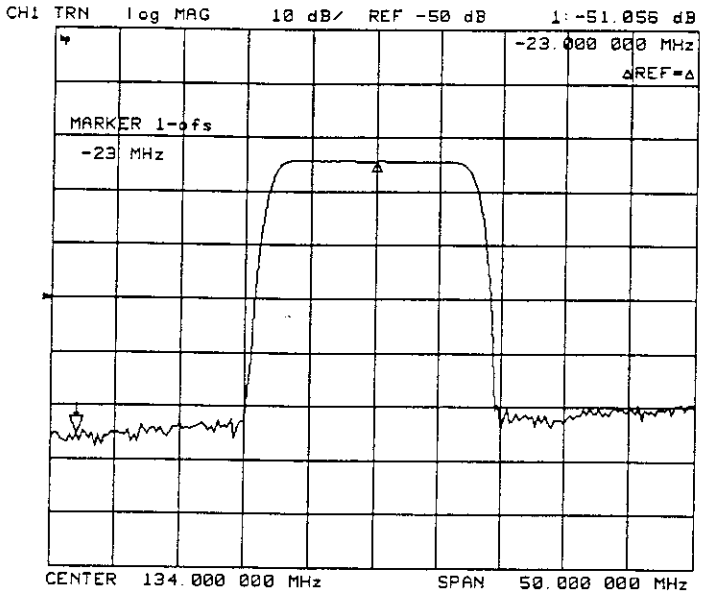

Figure 2-5. Example Measurement of Out-of-Band Rejection

Out-of-Band Rejection.

1. Press MARKER 1 . The marker appears where you placed it during the bandwidth measurement.
2. Press MKR ZERO (MARKER FCTN) MKR SEARCH SEARCH: MIN .

   The marker automatically searches for the minimum point on the trace. The frequency and amplitude of this point, relative to the delta symbol in the center of the filter passband, appear in the upper-right corner of the display. This value is the difference between the maximum power in the passband and the maximum power in the rejection band, that is, one of the peaks in the rejection band.

Note You can use the marker search mode to search the trace for the maximum point or for any target value. The target value can be an absolute level (for example, −3 dBm) or a level relative to the location of the small delta symbol (for example, −3 dB from the center of the passband).

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3. If your measurement needs some noise reduction, you could reduce the IF bandwidth or add averaging.
   - To reduce the IF bandwidth, press (AVG) IF BW (⇩).
   - To add averaging, press (AVG) AVERAGING ON .

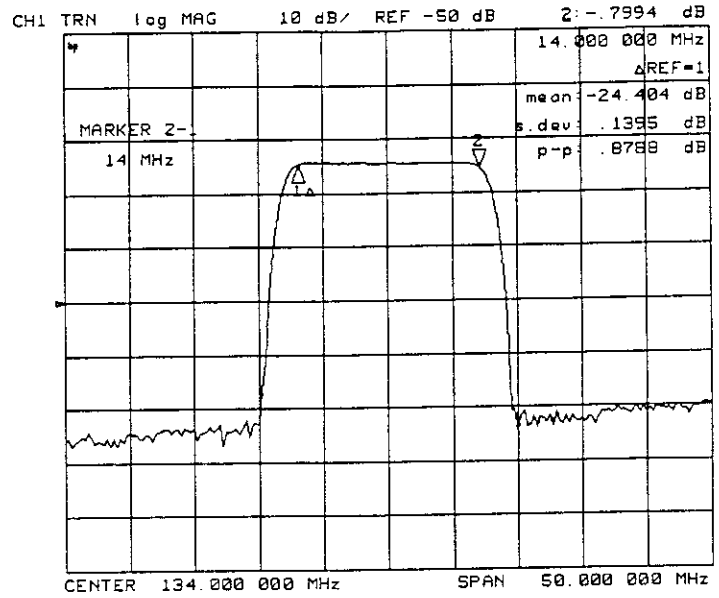

Figure 2-6. Example Measurement of Passband Flatness or Ripple

Passband Flatness or Ripple.

Passband flatness (or ripple) is the variation in insertion loss over a specified portion of the passband.

Continue with the following steps to measure passband flatness or ripple.

1. Press (SAVE/RECALL) RECALLKEYS MENU RECALL REG1 to recall the calibrated transmission measurement that has no markers engaged.
2. Press (MARKER) and turn the front panel knob to move marker 1 to the left edge of the passband.
3. Press ΔMODE MENU Δ REF=1 to change the marker 1 position to the delta reference point.
4. Press MARKER 2 and turn the front panel knob to move marker 2 to the right edge of the passband.
5. Press (MARKER FCTN) STATS ON.

   The analyzer calculates the mean, standard deviation, and peak-to-peak variation between the markers and lists the results in the upper-right corner of the display. The passband ripple is automatically shown as the peak-to-peak variation between the markers.

Making Reflection Measurements

This example procedure shows you how to measure the reflection response of a bandpass filter. The measurement parameter values listed are unique to this particular test device.

For further measurement examples, refer to the "Making Measurements" chapter in the *HP 8752C Network Analyzer User's Guide.*

Note Reflection measurements monitor only one port of a test device. When a test device has more than one port, you must ensure that the unused port(s) are terminated in their characteristic impedance (for example, 50Ω or 75Ω). If you do not terminate unused ports, reflections from these ports will cause measurement errors.

You can connect an unused device port to the unused analyzer test port, to act as a termination. For example: when you are measuring reflection, you can connect an unused device port to the analyzer's Transmission port.

The signal reflected from the device under test is measured as a ratio of the reflected energy versus the incident energy. It can be expressed as reflection coefficient, return loss, or standing-wave-ratio (SWR). These measurements are mathematically defined as follows:

reflection coefficient (Γ) = reflected voltage / incident voltage
= S_{11} (magnitude and phase)

return loss (dB) = $-20 \log (\rho)$
where $\rho = |\Gamma|$

standing-wave-ratio (SWR) = E maximum / E minimum
= $(1 + \rho) / (1 - \rho)$

Step 1. Choose the measurement parameters with the device connected

Note For purposes of explanation, a 134 MHz bandpass filter was used as the test device throughout this section.

1. Connect your test device directly to the reflection port, as shown in Figure 2-7.

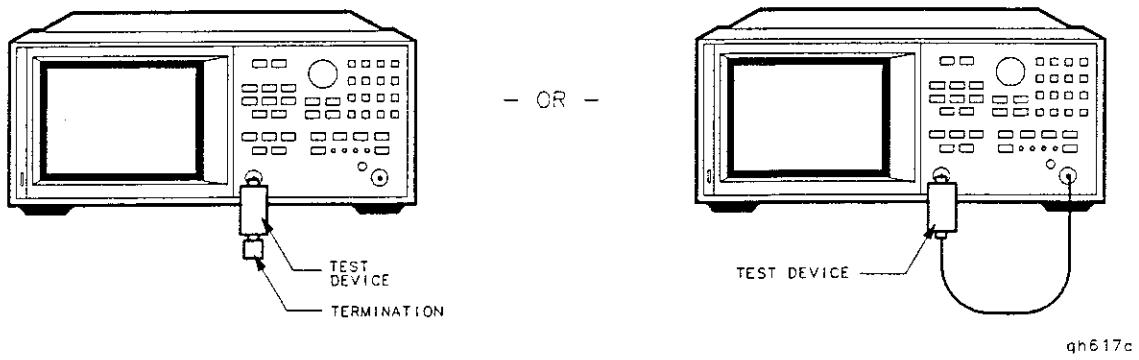

Figure 2-7. Connections for Reflection Measurements

2. Press (PRESET) and choose the following measurement parameters:

   (MEAS) REFLECTION

   (CENTER) (1) (3) (4) (M/μ)

   (SPAN) (1) (0) (0) (M/μ)

   (MENU) POWER (5) (x1) RETURN NUMBER OF POINTS (↑)

   (SCALE REF) AUTO SCALE

Note If you press (START) and (STOP), the analyzer will show the frequencies at the beginning and end of the frequency span that you have set up around the center frequency. This is also another method you could use to set the analyzer's measurement frequencies.

3. Look at the device response to determine if these are the measurement parameters that you want. For example, if the trace is noisy you may want to increase the input power, increase the number of points, reduce the IF bandwidth, or add averaging. Or, to better see an area of interest, you may want to change the test frequencies.

Step 2. Measure the device

Measuring Return Loss.

1. Connect your device to the reflection test port.
2. Terminate any unused port on your device. You can do this by either connecting a load to the device's unused port, or by connecting the device's unused port to the Transmission test port on the HP 8752C.
3. Press (SCALE REF) AUTO SCALE to reposition the trace.
4. Press (MARKER) to read the return loss from the analyzer display as shown in Figure 2-8.

   The device response indicates that the filter and the analyzer impedances are well matched within the frequency range of the filter passband. That is, the reflected signal is smaller within the filter passband than outside the passband.

   In terms of return loss, the value within the passband is larger than outside the passband. A large value for return loss corresponds to a small reflected signal just as a large value for insertion loss corresponds to a small transmitted signal.

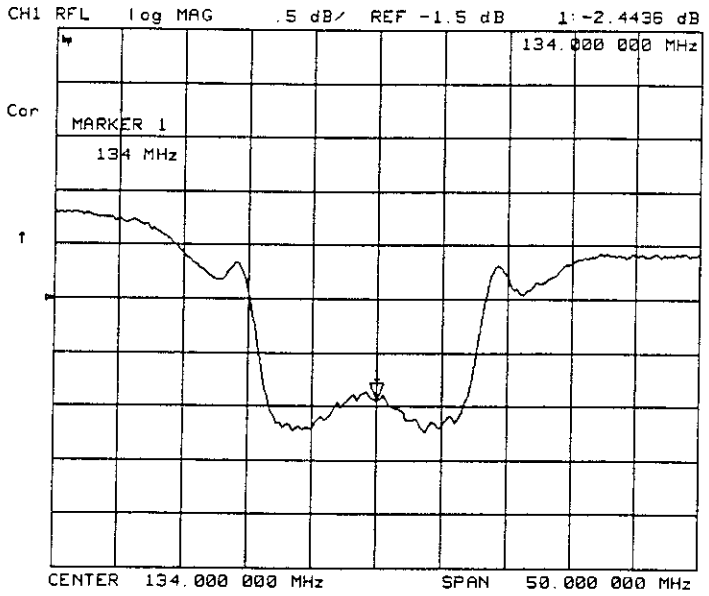

Figure 2-8. Example Return Loss Measurement Trace

Step 3. Output measurement results

This step in the procedure shows you how to output the measurement results to a printer.

For in-depth information on creating a hardcopy of the measurement results, refer to the "Printing, Plotting, or Saving Measurement Results" chapter in the *HP 8752C Network Analyzer User's Guide.*

1. Connect a printer to the analyzer as described in the "Installing Your Analyzer" chapter.
2. Press (DISPLAY) MORE TITLE and then create a title for the measurement, as shown in Figure 2-9:
3. Use the front panel knob and the softkey menu to select each letter of the title.
4. Press DONE when you finish creating the measurement title. The title appears on the upper-left corner of the analyzer display.
5. Press (LOCAL) SYSTEM CONTROLLER to set up the analyzer as the controller. Make sure there is not another controller on the bus.
6. Press (COPY) PRINT MONOCHROME to create a hardcopy.

Note If you encounter a problem when printing a hardcopy, refer to "Configuring the Analyzer with Printers or Plotters" in the "Installing Your Analyzer" chapter.

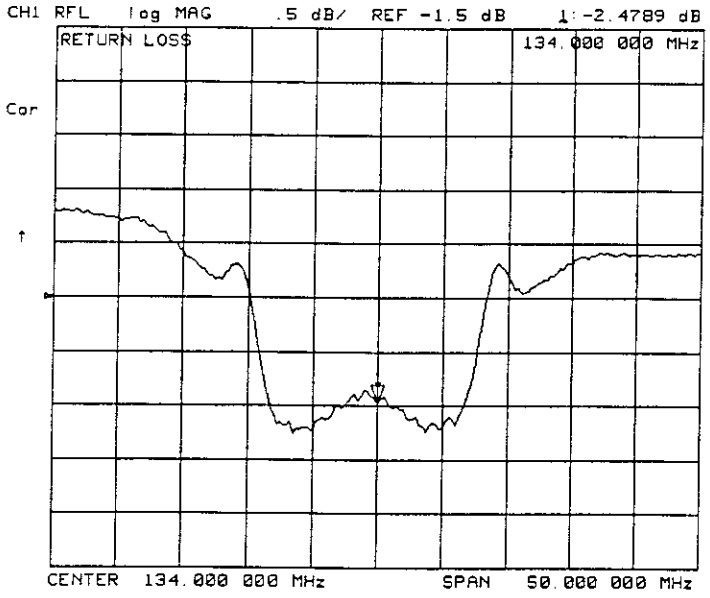

Figure 2-9. Example Measurement Title

Measuring Other Reflection Characteristics

You can derive several important filter parameters from the measurement shown on the analyzer display. The following set of procedures is a continuation of the previous reflection measurement procedure.

Measuring Reflection Coefficient.

1. Press (SAVE/RECALL) RECALLKEYS MENU RECALL REG2 to recall the calibrated reflection measurement.
2. Press (FORMAT) LIN MAG (SCALE REF) AUTO SCALE so the analyzer shows the same data in terms of reflection coefficient, as shown in Figure 2-10.

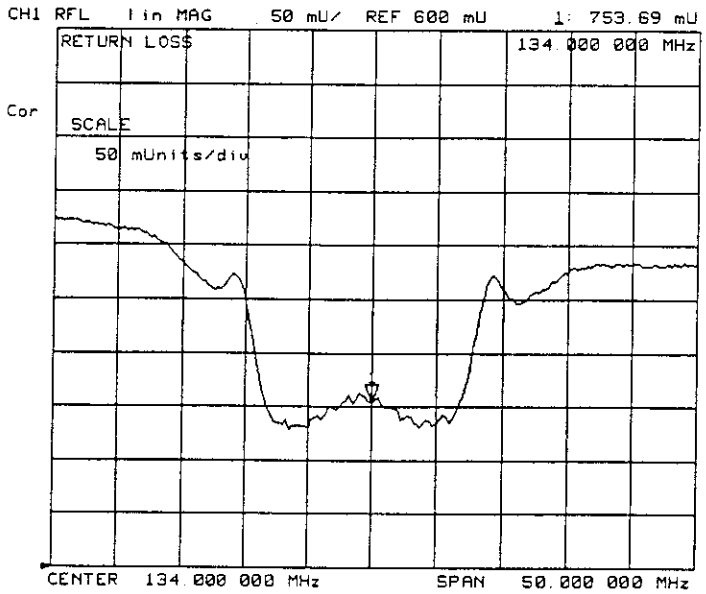

Figure 2-10. Example Reflection Coefficient Measurement Trace

Measuring Standing Wave Ratio.

Press (FORMAT) SWR so the analyzer shows the same data in terms of standing-wave-ratio (SWR), as shown in Figure 2-11.

Now the analyzer shows the measurement data in the unitless measure of SWR where SWR = 1 (perfect match) at the bottom of the display.

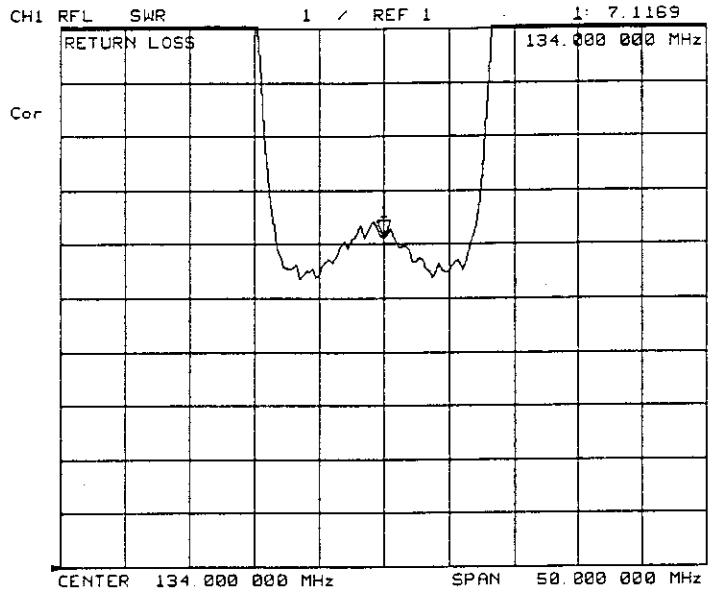

Figure 2-11. Example Standing-Wave-Ratio Measurement Trace

Measuring Reflection in Polar Format.

Terminate all unused ports.

1. Press (FORMAT) POLAR .

2. Press (SCALE REF) AUTO SCALE to reposition the trace, as shown in Figure 2-12.

   The analyzer shows the results of an S_{11} measurement with each point on the polar trace corresponding to a particular value of both magnitude and phase. The center of the circle represents a coefficient (Γ) of 0, (that is, a perfect match or no reflected signal). The outermost circumference of the scale represents ρ = 1.00, or 100% reflection. The phase angle is read directly from this display. The 3 O'clock position corresponds to zero phase angle, (that is, the reflected signal is at the same phase as the incident signal). Phase differences of 90°, 180°, and -90° correspond to the 12 o'clock, 9 o'clock, and 6 o'clock positions on the polar display, respectively.

3. Press (MARKER) MARKER MODE MENU POLAR MKR MENU .

4. Turn the front panel knob to position the marker at any desired point on the trace, then read the frequency, linear magnitude and phase in the upper right hand corner of the display, as shown in Figure 2-12.

   - Choose LIN MKR if you want the analyzer to show the linear magnitude and the phase of the marker.
   - Choose LOG MKR if you want the analyzer to show the logarithmic magnitude and the phase of the active marker. This is useful as a fast method of obtaining a reading of the log-magnitude value without changing to log-magnitude format.
   - Choose Re/Im MKR if you want the analyzer to show the values of the marker as a real and imaginary pair.

Note You can also enter the frequency of interest and read the magnitude and phase at that point.

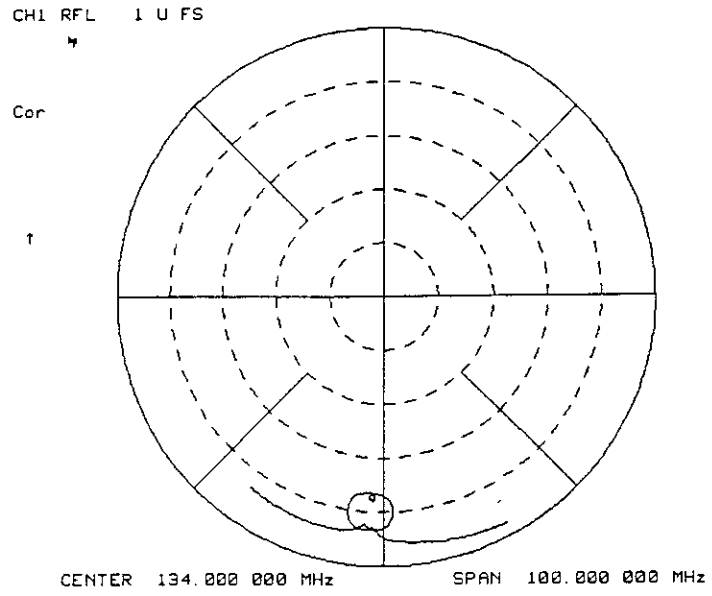

Figure 2-12.
Example Reflection Measurement Trace in Polar Format with Markers

Measuring Impedance.

The amount of power reflected from a device is directly related to the impedance of the device and the measuring system. Each value of the reflection coefficient (Γ) uniquely defines a device impedance; $\Gamma = 0$ only occurs when the device and analyzer impedance are exactly the same. The reflection coefficient for a short circuit is: $\Gamma = 1 \angle 180°$. Every other value for Γ also corresponds uniquely to a complex device impedance, according to the equation:

$$Z_L = [(1 + \Gamma) / (1 - \Gamma)] \times Z_0$$

where Z_L is your test device impedance and Z_0 is the measuring system's characteristic impedance (50Ω or 75Ω).

1. Press (FORMAT) SMITH CHART.

2. Press (MARKER) MARKER MODE MENU SMITH MKR MENU and turn the front panel knob to read the resistive and reactive components of the complex impedance at any point along the trace, as shown in Figure 2-13. This is the default Smith chart marker.

   The marker annotation tells that the complex impedance is capacitive in the bottom half of the Smith chart display and is inductive in the top half of the display.

   - Choose LIN MKR if you want the analyzer to show the linear magnitude and the phase of the marker.
   - Choose LOG MKR if you want the analyzer to show the logarithmic magnitude and the phase of the active marker. This is useful as a fast method of obtaining a reading of the log magnitude value without changing to log magnitude format.
   - Choose Re/Im MKR if you want the analyzer to show the values of the marker as a real and imaginary pair.

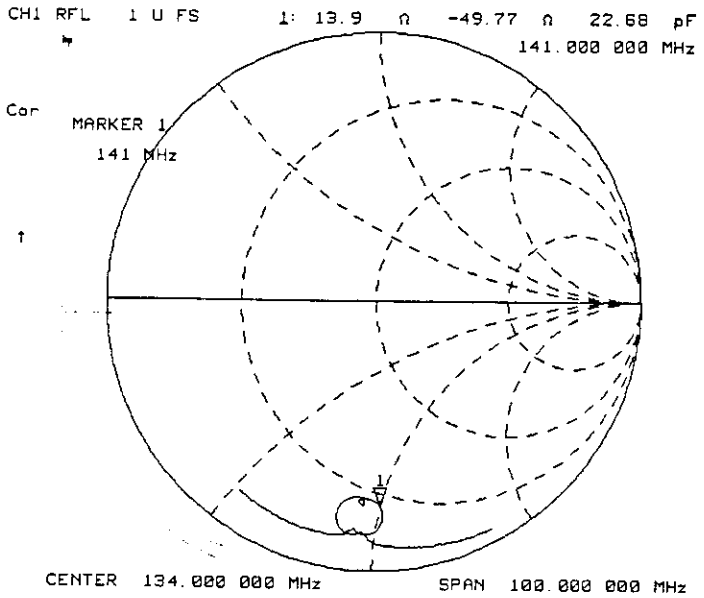

Figure 2-13. Example Impedance Measurement Trace

Measuring Admittance.

To change the display to an inverse Smith chart overlay and the marker information to read admittance, press G+$_j$B MKR .

As shown in Figure 2-14, the marker reads admittance data in the form G+jB, where G is conductance and B is susceptance, both measured in units of Siemens (equivalent to mhos: the inverse of ohms).

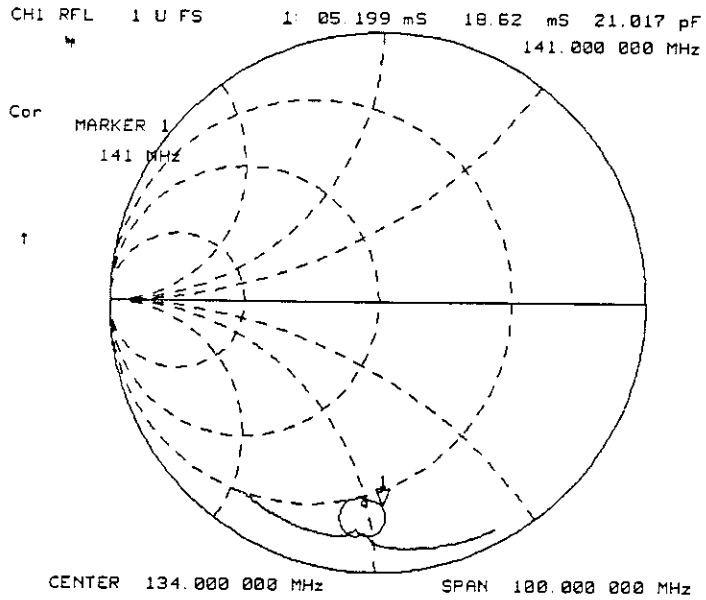

Figure 2-14. Example Admittance Measurement Trace

If You Encounter a Problem

If you have difficulty when installing or using the HP 8752C, check the following list of commonly encountered problems and troubleshooting procedures. If the problem that you encounter is not in the following list, refer to additional sections entitled "If You Have Problems" in the *HP 8752C Network Analyzer User's Guide.*

Power-up problems

If the HP 8752C display does not light:

- ☐ Check that the power cord is fully seated in both the main power receptacle and the analyzer power module.
- ☐ Check that the ac line voltage selector switch is in the appropriate position (230V/115V) for your available power supply.
- ☐ Check that the analyzer ac line fuse is not open.

Warning **For continued protection against fire hazard, replace the fuse with the same type and rating.**

Refer to Figure 2-15 to remove the fuse from the power module. You can use a continuity light or an ohmmeter to check the fuse. An ohmmeter should read very close to zero ohms if the fuse is good. The 3A, 250V fuse has HP part number 2110-0780.

- ☐ Contact the nearest Hewlett-Packard office for service, if necessary. A list of Hewlett-Packard Sales and Service offices is provided at the end of this guide.

Warning **The power cord is connected to internal capacitors that may remain live for 10 seconds after you disconnect the cord from the power supply.**

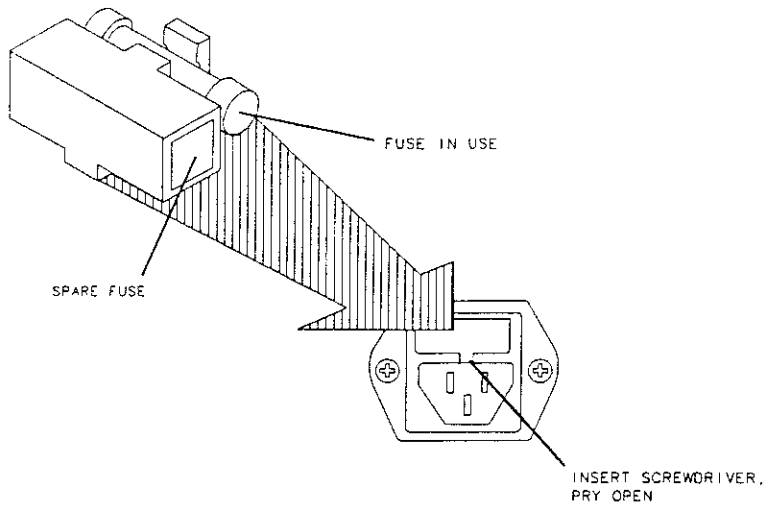

Figure 2-15. Line Fuse Removal and Replacement

If the display lights, but the ventilation fan does not start:

- ☐ Check that the fan is not obstructed. To check the fan, follow these steps:
  1. Switch the LINE power to the off position.
  2. Check that the fan blades are not jammed.
- ☐ Contact the nearest Hewlett-Packard office for service, if necessary. A list of Hewlett-Packard Sales and Service offices is provided at the end of this guide.

Data Entry Problems

If the data entry controls (keypad, knob, ⇧, ⇩, ⇦, ⇨ keys) do not respond:

- ☐ Check that the ENTRY OFF function is not enabled.

  The ENTRY OFF function is enabled after you press the [ENTRY OFF] key. To return to normal entry mode, press any function key that has a numeric parameter associated with it. For example, [START].

- ☐ Check that none of the keys are stuck.
- ☐ Check that the selected function key accepts data.

  For example, [SCALE REF] accepts data, but [SYSTEM] does not.

- ☐ Check that the analyzer's "R" HP-IB STATUS light is not illuminated.

  If the analyzer's "R" HP-IB STATUS light is illuminated, a connected computer controller may be sending commands or instructions to, or receiving data from, the analyzer. Press [LOCAL] if you want to return to LOCAL control.

If the parameter you are trying to enter is not accepted by the analyzer:

- ☐ Ensure that you are not attempting to set the parameter greater than or less than its limit. Refer to the *HP 8752C Network Analyzer User's Guide* for the parameter limits.

No RF Output

If there is no RF signal at the reflection port connector:

- ☐ Check that the signal at the reflection port is switched on.
  - Press [MENU] `POWER SOURCE PWR` until ON appears on the `SOURCE PWR` softkey label.
- ☐ If you are applying external modulation (AM) to the analyzer, check the external modulating signal or external gate/trigger signals for problems.

Caution If the error message:

`CAUTION: OVERLOAD ON INPUT X, POWER REDUCED`

appears on the HP 8752C display, too much source power is being applied at the input. In such a case, reduce the input power so the source power will remain on when you press `SOURCE PWR ON off`.

- ☐ Look for phase-lock error messages and then contact your nearest Hewlett-Packard office for service. A list of Hewlett-Packard Sales and Service offices is provided at the end of this guide.

Table 2-1. Hewlett-Packard Sales and Service Offices

US FIELD OPERATIONS

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(415) 694-2000

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