S E R V I C E N O T E

SUPERSEDES: None

8753ES Option 011 Vector Network Analyzer

Serial Numbers: US00000000/US99999999

Re-written Performance Test for External Source Mode Frequency Range

Situation:

The procedure and test record for Performance Test No. 4 (External Source Mode Frequency Range) lead to failures at test frequencies of 5 GHz and 6 GHz when the network analyer has firmware version 7.48 or higher. The Performance Test is found in the service guide for the HP 8753E Option 011, part number 08753-90485.

Solution / Action:

The procedure and test record have been re-written and are included below. This information should be used for any 8753ES Option 011 network analyzer. Additionally, these changes will be reflected in an updated printing of the 8753ES Option 011 Service Guide, part number 08753-90485. The print date is February 2000.

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Perform this test to verify proper phase lock for selected test frequencies in the external source mode, at the specified minimum R input level of -25~dBm.

Analyzer warmup time: 30 minutes

Specifications

Frequency Range ^a		
300 kHz–3 GHz		
3 GHz–6 GHz ^b		

- a. At -25 dBm R input level.
- b. Only for analyzers with Option 006.

Required Equipment

Description	HP/Agilent Part or Model Number	
External source	83620A	
Attenuator, 10 dB	8491A Option 010	
Attenuator, 20 dB	8491A Option 020	
Cable, 50 Ω type-N	11851B	
Adapter, APC-3.5 (f) to type-N (f)	1820-1745	

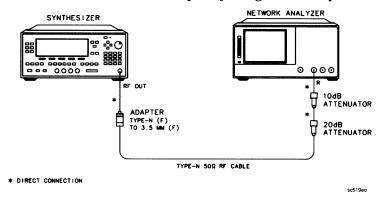
Procedure

1. Connect the equipment as shown in Figure 2-1.

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Figure 2-1 External Source Mode Frequency Range Test Setup



- 2. Preset the external source, and set the power level to 4 dBm, and the CW frequency to $10\,MHz$.
- 3. On the network analyzer, press Preset Sweep Setup CW FREQ 10 M/μ
 System INSTRUMENT MODE EXT SOURCE AUTO to set up the analyzer for an external source input to the receiver channel R.
- 4. Press Meas R.
- 5. Press Marker Search TRACKING ON SEARCH:MAX to observe the maximum value of the receiver R input signal. The analyzer marker 1 reading should be ≤ -25 dBm. If this is not the case, adjust the output power of the external source to achieve this condition.
- 6. Check to see if the analyzer is phase-locking to the external CW signal.
 - If the analyzer displays any phase lock error-messages, write "UNLOCK" in the performance test record for the set CW signal.
 - If the analyzer does not display any phase lock error-messages, write "LOCK" in the
 performance test record for the set CW signal.
- 7. On the external source, set the CW frequency to 20 MHz.
- 8. On the network analyzer, press (Sweep Setup) CW FREQ (20) (M/μ) .
- 9. Repeat steps 7 and 8 for the CW frequencies listed on the performance test record.

In Case of Difficulty

- 1. Check the R sampler assembly by substituting it with the A sampler assembly.
- 2. Move the flexible RF cable (currently connected to the R sampler assembly) to the A sampler assembly.
- 3. Use a 10 dB attenuator between the RF OUT and the analyzer receiver input A.
- 4. Repeat the test. In step 4, press Meas A.
- 5. If the test still fails, suspect the A11 phase lock board assembly.

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Option(s)		Date		
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Note: If your analyzer does not have Option 006, write "N/A" in all entries above 3 GHz.				
CW Frequency (MHz)		Results		
10				
20				
100				
1 000				
2 900				
4 000 ^a				
5 000 ^a				
6 000 ^a				

a. Option 006 only.