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**P-Series Power**  
**Meters**

**Service Guide**



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## Warnings and Cautions

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## Personal Safety Considerations

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. If this instrument is not used as specified, the protection provided by the equipment could be impaired. This instrument must be used in a normal condition (in which all means of protection are intact) only.

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### WARNING

- **Before this instrument is switched on, make sure it has been properly grounded through the protective conductor of the ac power cable to a socket outlet provided with protective earth contact. Any interruption of the protective (grounding) conductor, inside or outside the instrument, or disconnection of the protective earth terminal can result in personal injury.**
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### CAUTION

- Any adjustments or service procedures that require operation of the instrument with protective covers removed should be performed only by trained service personnel.
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## Markings

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External Protective Earth Terminal.

While this is a Class I product, provided with a protective earthing conductor in a power cord, an external protective earthing terminal has also been provided. This terminal is for use where the earthing cannot be assured. At least an 18AWG earthing conductor should be used in such an instance, to ground the instrument to an assured earth

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### **IEC 1010-1 Compliance**

This instrument has been designed and tested in accordance with IEC Publication 1010-1 +A1:1992 Safety Requirements for Electrical Equipment for Measurement, Control and Laboratory Use and has been supplied in a safe condition. The instruction documentation contains information and warnings which must be followed by the user to ensure safe operation and to maintain the instrument in a safe condition.

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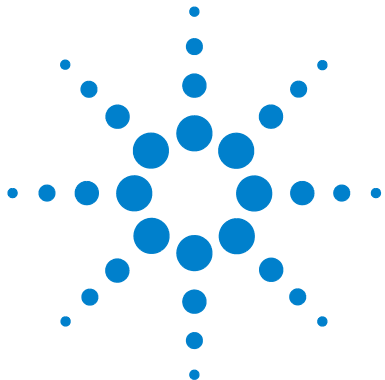
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This chapter lists the power meter's specifications and describes how to interpret these specifications.



## Introduction

This chapter details the power meter's specifications and supplemental characteristics

Specifications describe the warranted performance and apply after a 30 minute warm-up. These specifications are valid over the power meter's operating and environmental range unless otherwise stated and after performing a zero and calibration.

Supplemental characteristics, which are shown in italics, are intended to provide information useful in applying the power meter by giving typical, but non warranted performance parameters. These characteristics are shown in italics or denoted as "attributes", "nominal" or "approximate".

For information on measurement uncertainty calculations, refer to Agilent Application Note 64- 1A, "Fundamentals of RF and Microwave Power Measurements", Literature 5965- 6630.

## Specification Definitions

There are two types of product specifications:

**Warranted specifications** are specifications which are covered by the product warranty and apply over 0 to 55½ °C unless otherwise noted. Warranted specifications include measurement uncertainty calculated with a 95 % confidence.

**Characteristic specifications** are specifications that are not warranted. They describe product performance that is useful in the application of the product. These characteristic specifications are shown in *italics*.

Characteristic information is representative of the product. In many cases, it may also be supplemental to a warranted specification. Characteristic specifications are not verified on all units. There are several types of characteristic specifications. These types can be placed in two groups:

One group of characteristic types describes ‘attributes’ common to all products of a given model or option. Examples of characteristics that describe ‘attributes’ are product weight, and 50 Ω input Type-N connector. In these examples product weight is an ‘approximate’ value and a 50ohm input is ‘nominal’. These two terms are most widely used when describing a product’s ‘attributes’.

The second group describes ‘statistically’ the aggregate performance of the population of products.

These characteristics describe the expected behavior of the population of products. They do not guarantee the performance of any individual product. No measurement uncertainty value is accounted for in the specification. These specifications are referred to as ‘typical’.

## Conditions

The power meter and sensor will meet its specifications when:

- stored for a minimum of two hours at a stable temperature within the operating temperature range, and turned on for at least 30 minutes
- the power meter and sensor are within their recommended calibration period, and
- used in accordance to the information provided in the *User's Guide*.



## General Features

Number of channels	N1911A P-Series Power Meter, single channel N1912A P-Series Power Meter, dual channel
Frequency range	N1912A P-Series Wideband Power Sensor, 50 MHz to 18 GHz N1922A P-Series Wideband Power Sensor, 50 MHz to 40 GHz
Measurements	Average, peak and peak-to-average ratio power measurements are provided with free-run or time gate definition.  Time parameter measurements of pulse rise time, fall time, pulse width, time to positive occurrence and time to negative occurrence are also provided.
Sensor compatibility	P-Series Power Meters are compatible with all Agilent P-Series Wideband Power Sensors, E-Series Sensors and 8480 Series Power Sensor <sup>1</sup> . Compatibility with the 8480 and E-Series Power Sensors will be available in a future firmware release, free of charge.

<sup>1</sup> Information contained in this document refers to operation with P-Series Sensors. For specifications when used with 8480 and E-Series Sensors (except E9320 range), refer to Lit Number 5965-6382E. For specifications when used with E932XA Sensors, refer to Literature Number 5980-1469E.

## P-Series Power Meter and Sensor

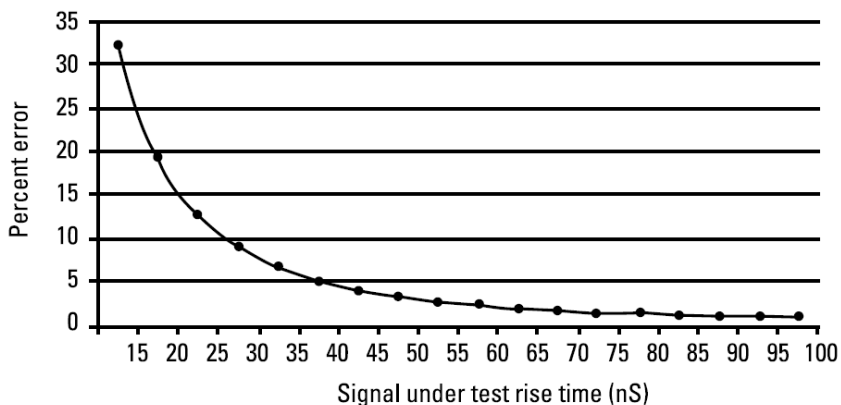
### Key System Specifications and Characteristics

Maximum sampling rate	100 Msamples/sec, continuous sampling
Video bandwidth	≥ 30 MHz
Single shot bandwidth	≥ 30 MHz
Rise time and fall time	≤ 13 ns (for frequencies ≥ 500 MHz) <sup>3</sup> , see <a href="#">Figure 1</a>
Minimum pulse width	50 ns <sup>4</sup>
Overshoot	≤ 5 % <sup>3</sup>
Average power measurement accuracy	N1921A: ≤ ± 0.2 dB or ± 4.5 % <sup>5</sup> N1922A: ≤ ± 0.3 dB or ± 6.7 %
Dynamic range	–35 dBm to +20 dBm (> 500 MHz) –30 dBm to +20 dBm (50 MHz to 500 MHz)
Maximum capture length	1 second
Maximum pulse repetition rate	10 MHz (based on 10 samples per period)

<sup>3</sup> Specification applies only when the Off video bandwidth is selected.

<sup>4</sup> The Minimum Pulse Width is the recommended minimum pulse width viewable on the power meter, where power measurements are meaningful and accurate, but not warranted.

<sup>5</sup> Specification is valid over –15 to +12 dBm, and a frequency range 0.5 to 10 GHz, DUT Max. SWR < 1.27 for the N1921A, and a frequency range 0.5 to 40 GHz, DUT Max. SWR < 1.2 for the N1922A. Averaging set to 32, in Free Run mode.



**Figure 1** Measured rise time percentage error versus signal under test rise time

Although the rise time specification is  $\leq 13$  ns, this does not mean that the P-Series Meters and Sensors combination can accurately measure a signal with a known rise time of 13 ns. The Measured rise time is the root sum of the squares (RSS) of the signal under test rise time and the system rise time (13 ns):

Measured rise time =  $\sqrt{((\text{signal under test rise time})^2 + (\text{system rise time})^2)}$ , and the % error is:

% Error =  $((\text{measured rise time} - \text{signal under test rise time}) / \text{signal under test rise time}) \times 100$

## P-Series Power Meter Specifications

### Meter uncertainty

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Instrumentation linearity	$\pm 0.8\%$
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### Timebase

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Timebase range	<i>2 ns to 100 msec/div</i>
Accuracy	$\pm 10$ ppm
Jitter	$\leq 1$ ns

### Trigger

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#### *Internal trigger*

Range	$-20$ to $+20$ dBm
Resolution	$0.1$ dB
Level accuracy	$\pm 0.5$ dB
Latency <sup>6</sup>	$160$ ns $\pm 10$ ns
Jitter	$\leq 5$ ns rms

#### *External TTL trigger input*

High	$> 2.4$ V
Low	$< 0.7$ V
Latency <sup>7</sup>	$90$ ns $\pm 10$ ns
Minimum trigger pulse width	$15$ ns
Minimum trigger repetition period	$50$ ns
Impedance	$50\ \Omega$
Jitter	$\leq 5$ ns rms

#### *External TTL trigger output*

	Low to high transition on trigger event.
High	$> 2.4$ V
Low	$< 0.7$ V
Latency <sup>8</sup>	$30$ ns $\pm 10$ ns
Impedance	$50\ \Omega$
Jitter	$\leq 5$ ns rms

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<i>Trigger delay</i>	
Delay range	$\pm 1.0$ s, maximum
Delay resolution	1% of delay setting, 10 ns maximum
<i>Trigger hold-off</i>	
Range	1 $\mu$ s to 400 ns
Resolution	1% of selected value (to a minimum of 10 ns)

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<i>Trigger level threshold hysteresis</i>	
Range	$\pm 3$ dB
Resolution	0.05 dB

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<sup>6</sup> Internal trigger latency is defined as the delay between the applied RF crossing the trigger level and the meter switching into the triggered state.

<sup>7</sup> External trigger latency is defined as the delay between the applied trigger crossing the trigger level and the meter switching into the triggered state.

<sup>8</sup> External trigger output latency is defined as the delay between the meter entering the triggered state and the output signal switching.

## P-Series Wideband Power Sensor Specifications

The P-Series Wideband Power Sensors are designed for use with the P-Series Power Sensor only.

Sensor model	Frequency range	Dynamic range	Damage level	Connector type
<b>N1921A</b>	50 MHz to 18 GHz	-35 dBm to +20 dBm (500 MHz) -30 dBm to +20 dBm (50 MHz to 500 MHz)	+23 dBm (average power); +30 dBm (<1 μs duration)(peak power)	Type N (m)
<b>N1922A</b>	50 MHz to 40 GHz	35 dBm to +20 dBm (500 MHz) -30 dBm to +20 dBm (50 MHz to 500 MHz)		2.4mm (m)

### Maximum SWR

Frequency band	N1921A/N1922A
50 MHz to 10 GHz	1.2
10 GHz to 18 GHz	1.26
18 GHz to 26.5 GHz	1.3
26.5 GHz to 40 GHz	1.5

## Sensor Calibration Uncertainty<sup>9</sup>

**Definition:** Uncertainty resulting from non-linearity in the sensor detection and correction process. This can be considered as a combination of traditional linearity, cal factor and temperature specifications and the uncertainty associated with the internal calibration process.

<sup>9</sup> Beyond 70 % Humidity, and additional 0.6 % should be added to these values.

Frequency band	N1921A	N1922A
50 MHz to 500 MHz	4.5 %	4.3 %
500 MHz to 1 GHz	4.0 %	4.2 %
1 GHz to 10 GHz	4.0 %	4.4 %
10 GHz to 18 GHz	5.0 %	4.7 %
18 GHz to 26.5 GHz	5.9 %	
26.5 GHz to 40 GHz	6.0 %	

## Physical characteristics

<b>Dimensions</b>	N1921A N1922A	<i>135 mm x 40 mm x 27mm</i> <i>127 mm x 40 mm x 27 mm</i>
<b>Weights with cable</b>	Option 105 Option 106 Option 107	<i>0.4 kg</i> <i>0.6 kg</i> <i>1.4 kg</i>
<b>Fixed sensor cable lengths</b>	Standard Option 106 Option 107	<i>1.5 m (5-feet)</i> <i>3.0 m (10-feet)</i> <i>10 m (31-feet)</i>

## 1 mW Power Reference

**NOTE**

The 1mW power reference is provided for calibration of E-Series and 8480 Series Sensors. The P-Series Sensors are automatically calibrated do not need this reference calibration.

Power output	1.00 mW (0.0 dBm). Factory set $\pm 0.4\%$ traceable to the National Physical Laborator (NPL) UK
Accuracy (over 2 years)	$\pm 1.2\%$ (0 to 55 °C) $\pm 0.4\%$ (25 to 10 °C)
Frequency	50 MHz nominal
SWR	1.08 (0 to 55 °C) <i>1.05 typical</i>
Connector type	Type N (f), 50 $\Omega$

## Rear panel inputs/outputs

Recorder output	Analog 0-1 Volt, 1 k $\Omega$ output impedance, BNC connector. For dual channel instruments there will be two recorder outputs.	
GPIO, 10/100 BaseT LAN and USB 2.0	Interfaces allow communication with an external controller.	
Ground	Binding post, accepts 4 mm plug or bare-wire connection.	
Trigger input	Input has TTL compatible logic levels and uses a BNC connector.	
Trigger output	Output provides TTL compatible logic levels and uses.	
Line power	A BNC connector	
• Input voltage range	90 to 264 Vac, automatic selection	
• Input frequency range	47 to 63 Hz and 440 Hz	
• Power requirement	N1911A	not exceeding 50 VA (30 Watts)
	N1912A	not exceeding 75 VA (50 Watts)



## Remote Programming

Interface	<p>           GPIB interface operates to IEEE 488.2 and IEC65            10/100 BaseT LAN interface            USB 2.0 interface         </p>
Command language	SCPI standard interface commands
GPIB compatibility	SH1, AH1, T6, TE0, L4, LE0, SR1, RL1, PP1, DC1, DT1, C0

## Measurement Speed

Measurement speed via remote interface $\geq 1500$ readings per second
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## Regulatory Information

Electromagnetic compatibility	Complies with the requirements of the EMC Directive 89/336/EEC
Product safety	<p>Conforms to the following product specifications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>EN61010-1: 2001/IEC 1010-1:2001/CSA C22.2 No.1010-1:1993</li> <li>IEC 60825-1:1993/A2:2001/IEC 60825-1:1993 +A1:1997+A2:2001</li> <li>Low Voltage Directive 72/23/EEC</li> </ul>

## Physical Characteristics

Dimensions	<p>The following dimensions exclude front and rear panel protrusions:</p> <p>88.5 mm H x 212.6 mm W x 348.3 mm D (3.5 in x 8.5 in x 13.7 in)</p>	
Net weight	N1911A	$\leq 3.5$ kg (7.7 lb) approximate
	N1912A	$\leq 3.7$ kg (8.1 lb) approximate

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Shipping weigh	N1911A	$\leq 7.9$ kg (17.4 lb) <i>approximate</i>
	N1912A	$\leq 8.0$ kg (17.6 lb) <i>approximate</i>

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## Environmental Conditions

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<i>General</i>	Complies with the requirement of the EMC Directive 89/336/EEC.
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<i>Operating</i>	
Temperature	0 ° C to 55 ° C
Maximum humidity	95 % at 40 ° C (non-condensing)
Minimum humidity	15 % at 40 ° C (non-condensing)
Maximum altitude	3,000 meters (9,840 feet)

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<i>Storage</i>	
Non-operating storage temperature	-30 ° C to +70 ° C
Non-operating maximum humidity	90 % at 65 ° C (non-condensing)
Non-operating altitude	15,420 meters (50,000 feet)

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## System Specifications and Characteristics

The video bandwidth in the meter can be set to High, Medium, Low and Off. The video bandwidths stated in the table below are not the 3 dB bandwidths, as the video bandwidths are corrected for optimal flatness (except the Off filter). Refer to [Figure 2](#) for information on the flatness response. The Off video bandwidth setting provides the warranted rise time and fall time specification and is the recommended setting for minimizing overshoot on pulse signals.

### Dynamic response - rise time, fall time, and overshoot versus video bandwidth settings

Parameter	Video bandwidth setting				
	Low: 5MHz	Medium: 15 MHz	High: 30 MHz	< 500 MHz	> 500 MHz
Rise time/fall time <sup>10</sup>	< 56 ns	< 25 ns	< 13 ns	< 36 ns	< 13 ns
Overshoot <sup>11</sup>				< 5 %	< 5 %

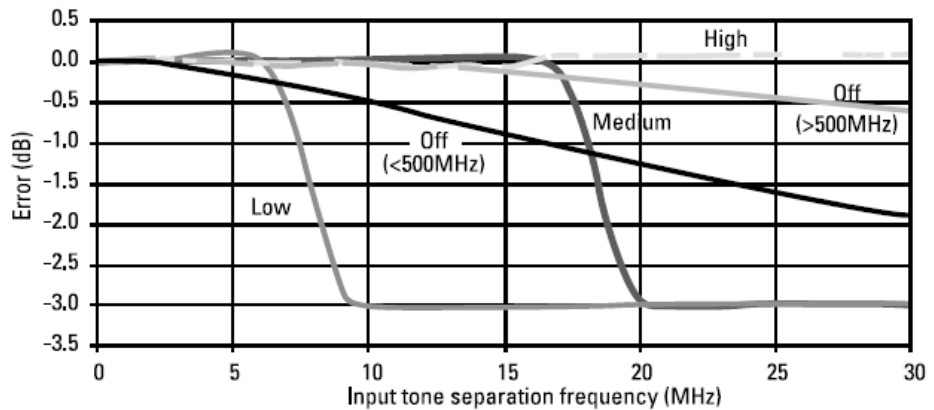
For option 107 (10 m cable), add 5 ns to the rise time and fall time specifications.

<sup>10</sup> Specified as 10 % to 90 % for rise time and 90 % to 10 % for fall time on a 0 dBm pulse.

<sup>11</sup> Specified as the overshoot relative to the settled pulse top power.

## Characteristics Peak Flatness

The peak flatness is the flatness of a peak-to-average ratio measurement for various tone-separations for an equal magnitude two-tone RF input. Figure 2 refers to the relative error in peak-to-average ratio measurements as the tone separation is varied. The measurements were performed at -10 dBm with power sensors with 1.5 m cable lengths.



**Figure 2** N192XA Error in peak-to-average measurements for a two-tone input (High, Medium, Low and Off filters)

## Noise and drift

Sensor Model	Zeroing	Zero set		Zero drift <sup>12</sup>	Noise per sample	Measurement noise (Free run) <sup>13</sup>
		< 500 MHz	> 500 MHz			
N1921A/ N1922A	No RF on input	200 nW		100 nW	2 $\mu$ W	50 nW
	RF present	550 nW	200 nW			

<sup>12</sup> Within 1 hour after a zero, at a constant temperature, after 24 hour warm up of the power meter. This component can be disregarded with Auto zero mode set to ON.

<sup>13</sup> Measured over a one minute interval, at a constant temperature, two standard deviations, with averaging set to 1.

Measurement average setting	1	2	4	8	16	32	64	128	256	512	1024
Free run noise multiplier	1	0.9	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.45	0.4	0.3	0.25	0.2

Video BW setting		Low 5 MHz	Medium 15 MHz	High 30 MHz	Off
Noise per sample multiplier	< 500 MHz	0.5	1	2	1
	> 500 MHz	0.45	0.75	1.1	1

### Effect of video bandwidth setting

The noise per sample is reduced by applying the meter video bandwidth filter setting (High, Medium or Low). If averaging is implemented, this will dominate any effect of changing the video bandwidth.

### Effect of time-gating on measurement

The measurement noise on a time-gated measurement will depend on the time gate length. 100 averages are carried out every 1  $\mu$ s of gate length. The Noise per Sample contribution in this mode can approximately be reduced by  $\sqrt{(\text{gate length} / 10 \text{ ns})}$  to a limit of 50 nW.

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This chapter contains procedures which allow you to test the power meter's electrical performance to its specifications.



# Introduction

The performance tests described in this chapter test the power meter's electrical performance against the specifications detailed in [Chapter 1](#). They are used for incoming inspection, the calibration cycle (also called periodic maintenance), or after repairs have been made.

### NOTE

- This document does not provide a complete breakdown for these tests; it only gives a brief overview of each, in line with Agilent's recommendation that the Agilent N7832A calibration software should be used at all times.
  - Performance Testing is limited to the measurement and verification of warranted specifications.
  - Some tests cannot be performed manually, and so the N7832A calibration software is essential.
  - Measurement uncertainty will not be addressed in this document (this is handled by the N7832A software).
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The following performance tests are described in this chapter:

- [1 mW Power Reference Level Test](#)
- [Output Standing Wave Ratio \(SWR\) Test](#) (Power Reference Output)
- [Time Base Frequency Accuracy](#)
- [Zero Set \(Average Path\)](#)
- [Zero Set \(Peak Path\)](#)
- [Linearity \(Average Path\)](#)
- [Linearity \(Peak Path\)](#)
- [Rise/Fall Time \(Peak Path\)](#)



## Complete Equipment List

Instrument	Critical Specifications	Recommended Agilent Model Number	Alternative Agilent Model Number
<b>Analyzers</b>			
Network Analyzer		N3383A	N3381A N3382A 8753ES/ET
<b>Counters</b>			
Universal Counter	Frequency: 10 MHz Gate time: 10 seconds	53132A	53131A
<b>Meters</b>			
Power Meter	Dual Channel Absolute Accuracy: $\pm 0.5\%$  Power Reference Accuracy: $\pm 0.9\%$ - (a best capability measurement is required for the Power Reference Output - the power level must be accurately measured, and the uncertainty of this measurement must also be known)	E4419B	E4419A
Power Sensor 2 required	Frequency: 50 MHz Amplitude Range: $-70$ dBm to $-20$ dBm SWR: $\leq 1.15$ at 50 MHz	8481D	
Power Sensor	Frequency: 50 MHz Amplitude Range: $-30$ dBm to $+20$ dBm SWR: $\leq 1.1$ at 50 MHz	8482A	
<b>Attenuators</b>			
20 dB Fixed Attenuator	Type-N(m,f)	8491A (Option 020)	
30 dB Fixed Attenuator	Type-N(m,f)	11708A	
<b>Miscellaneous Devices</b>			
10 MHz Frequency Standard			

## 2 Performance Tests

Pulse/Data Generator 81131A Output Modules required		81130A	
Power Splitter required	Frequency: DC to 6 GHz Insertion Loss: 6 to 7 dB, $\leq 3$ GHz SWR: < 1.1 10 MHz to 2 GHz < 1.3 2 GHz to 3 GHz	11667A (Option 001)	
BNC cable	Frequency: DC to 10 GHz 50 $\Omega$ Coax BNC (m), both ends 120 cm (48 in)	10503A	
Calibration Test Cable required for N1912A		N1912-61017	
Sensor cable required		11730A	
<b>N-Type Calibration Kit</b>		85032B	
Assorted accessories (cables and adapters) required			

# 1 mW Power Reference Level Test

## Description

The 1 mW Power Reference is used for the calibration of 8480 Series & E- Series power sensors, and is traceable to national standards. This test uses an 8482A Power Sensor to transfer the power measured on an accurately calibrated E4419B or E4417A Power Meter to the DUT reference.

## Equipment

Required test equipment: 1 unit of E4419B or E4417A Dual Channel Power Meter, 1 unit of 8482A Power Sensor. Either of these E4419B or E4417A Power Meters can be used. This specific Power Sensor model must be used.

## Test Method

- 1 Enter the recorded measurement uncertainty of the E4419B or E4417A 1 mW Power Reference
- 2 Using the E4419B or E4417A Power Meter and the 8482A Sensor, measure the 1mW Power Reference of the E4419B or E4417A
- 3 Using the E4419B or E4417A Power Meter and the 8482A Sensor, measure the 1 mW Power Reference of the DUT
- 4 Using all of these values, the N7832A software will calculate the Power Reference Level of the DUT

## 2 Performance Tests

### NOTE

- The 1 mW reference of the E4419B or E4417A Power Meter must be precisely calibrated at a standards accredited lab, and the uncertainty of this measurement known.
  - Anyone who has a basic understanding of metrology should be able to perform this test manually; it is simply the transfer of known power level with a known calibration uncertainty to the DUT.
  - An adjustment is available for this test if it fails (see [Chapter 3](#), “Adjustments”).
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# Output Standing Wave Ratio (SWR) Test

## Description

Connector mismatch is the largest single contributor to measurement uncertainty, so this specification must be warranted to provide assurance of instrument accuracy. The 1 mW Power Reference Level test must be carried out prior to this test, as the VSWR specification is only valid at 1 mW. This test measures VSWR by equating relative powers (measured by the test system power meter and its sensors) when the power reference is exercised under different load conditions.

## Equipment

- Required test equipment:
  - 1 unit of 8753ES/ ET Network Analyzer
  - 1 unit of 85032B Type N Calibration Kit
  - 1 unit of E4419B or E4417A Dual Channel Power Meter
  - 2 unit of 8481D Power Sensor
  - 2 unit of 11667A #001 Power Splitter
  - 1 unit of 20dB pad, Male to Female (e. g. 8491A)
  - 1 unit of 30dB pad (e. g. 11708A Reference Attenuator)
- An alternative Network Analyzer can be used, as long as it can measure S11 in the 45 MHz - 55 MHz range
- Either of these E4419B or E4417A Power Meters can be used
- These specific models of Power Sensors and Power Splitters must be used
- Any type of pad can be used (as long as there are no additional mating connections, or differing pad values)
- 1 unit of 11667A, 1 unit of 8481D and the 30 dB pad combine to create the 'Calibration System'
- 1 unit of 11667A, 1 unit of 8481D and the 20 dB pad combine to create the 'Measurement System'

### Test Method

- 1 Obtain the S11 parameter of the Calibration System.
- 2 Connect the Measurement System to the Calibration System and obtain its S21 (load) & S21 (open) parameters.
- 3 Using only the Measurement System, terminated with the OPEN connector from the 85032B Calibration Kit, measure the 1 mW Power Reference Level of the DUT.
- 4 Remove the OPEN connector from the Measurement System, terminate it with the 50 R load from the 85032B Calibration Kit, and repeat the 1 mW Power Reference Level measurement.
- 5 Using all of these values, the N7832A software will calculate the VSWR of the Power Reference Output.

#### NOTE

- This test cannot be performed manually, due to the complexity of the equipment calibration procedure, and the complexity of the measurement algorithm.
  - No adjustment is available for this test if it fails (see [Chapter 5](#), “Troubleshooting Guide”).
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# Time Base Frequency Accuracy

## Description

The accuracy of the 100 MHz sample clock determines the accuracy of all measurements that are based on samples taken over time. This test measures the Time Base by dividing the sample clock by 10 (within the meter) and feeding it out of the Trigger Output connector, where it can be directly measured by a Frequency Counter.

## Equipment

- Required test equipment:  
1 unit of 53132A Frequency Counter
- An alternative Frequency Counter can be used, as long as it has the appropriate bandwidth (> 10 MHz)

## Test Method

- 1 Enable the path that routes the Time Base signal to the Trigger Output connector.
- 2 Using the 53132A, measure the frequency of the signal at the Trigger Output connector.

### NOTE

- This test can be configured manually via the command `SERV:BIST:TBAS:STAT ON`, which enables the 10 MHz feed to the Trigger Output connector (refer to the *Programming Guide* for further details on the use of this command).
- This test can also be configured manually via the front panel; access the Service menu, select Self Test, and select Time Base to enable the 10 MHz feed to the Trigger Output connector.
- No adjustment is available for this test if it fails (see [Chapter 5](#), “Troubleshooting Guide”).

## Zero Set (Average Path)

### Description

Zero Set is defined as the amount of residual offset error that is present following a zero operation. This offset error is caused by contamination from several sources, including circuit noise. This test measures the effectiveness of Zero Set by performing 15 back-to-back zero operations of the Average Path (with no sensor attached), after which the standard deviation of the results is calculated and returned as the measured value.

### Equipment

- No test equipment required

### Test Method

- 1 Execute the internal Zero Set measurement procedure for Channel A.
- 2 Read back the result of the measurement from the DUT.
- 3 If the DUT model number is N1912A, then repeat this procedure for Channel B.

#### NOTE

- This test can be performed manually via the commands:  
`SERV:BIST:PEAK[1|2]:ZSET`  
`SERV:BIST:CW[1|2]:ZSET:NUM?`  
(Refer to the *Programming Guide* for further details on the use of these commands)
  - No adjustment is available for this test if it fails (see [Chapter 5](#), “Troubleshooting Guide”).
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## Zero Set (Peak Path)

### Description

Zero Set is defined as the amount of residual offset error that is present following a zero operation. This offset error is caused by contamination from several sources, including circuit noise. This test measures the effectiveness of Zero Set by performing 15 back-to-back zero operations of the Peak Path (with no sensor attached), after which the standard deviation of the results is calculated and returned as the measured value.

### Equipment

- No test equipment required

### Test Method

- 1 Execute the internal Zero Set measurement procedure for Channel A.
- 2 Read back the result of the measurement from the DUT.
- 3 If the DUT model number is N1912A, then repeat this procedure for Channel B.

#### NOTE

- This test can be performed manually via the commands:  
`SERV:BIST:PEAK[1|2]:ZSET`  
`SERV:BIST:PEAK[1|2]:ZSET:NUM?`  
(Refer to the *Programming Guide* for further details on the use of these commands)
  - No adjustment is available for this test if it fails (see [Chapter 5](#), “Troubleshooting Guide”).
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# Linearity (Average Path)

## Description

Linearity over the full input voltage range of the measurement path is warranted to provide assurance of instrument accuracy. This test measures Linearity by using a calibration DAC and a calibration ADC (built into the DUT) to stimulate and compare performance of the Average Path against the measurement ADC, returning the worst case percentage error.

## Equipment

- No test equipment required

## Test Method

- 1 Execute the internal Linearity measurement procedure for Channel A.
- 2 Read back the result of the measurement from the DUT.
- 3 If the DUT model number is N1912A, then repeat this procedure for Channel B.

### NOTE

- This test can be performed manually via the commands:  
SERV:BIST:CW[1|2]:LIN 0  
SERV:BIST:CW[1|2]:LIN:PERR?  
(Refer to the *Programming Guide* for further details on the use of these commands)
  - No adjustment is available for this test if it fails (see [Chapter 5](#), “Troubleshooting Guide”).
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# Linearity (Peak Path)

## Description

Linearity over the full input voltage range of the measurement path is warranted to provide assurance of instrument accuracy. This test measures Linearity by using a calibration DAC and a calibration ADC (built into the DUT) to stimulate and compare performance of the Average Path against the measurement ADC, returning the worst case percentage error.

## Equipment

- No test equipment required

## Test Method

- 1 Execute the internal Linearity measurement procedure for Channel A.
- 2 Read back the result of the measurement from the DUT.
- 3 If the DUT model number is N1912A, then repeat this procedure for Channel B.

### NOTE

- This test can be performed manually via the commands:  
SERV:BIST:PEAK[1|2]:LIN 0  
SERV:BIST:PEAK[1|2]:LIN:PERR?  
(Refer to the *Programming Guide* for further details on the use of these commands)
  - No adjustment is available for this test if it fails (see [Chapter 5](#), “Troubleshooting Guide”).
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## Rise/Fall Time (Peak Path)

### Description

Linearity over the full input voltage range of the measurement path is warranted to provide assurance of instrument accuracy. This test measures Linearity by using a calibration DAC and a calibration ADC (built into the DUT) to stimulate and compare performance of the Peak Path against the measurement ADC, returning the worst case percentage error.

### Equipment

- 1 unit of 81130A Pulse/Data Generator Mainframe
- 2 unit of 81131A Output Modules (Installed In 81130A)
- 2 unit of N1912- 61017 Calibration Test Cable

### Test Method

- 1 Capture a train of 10 pulses with very fast rise/fall times.
- 2 Combine the sample data to create an equivalent pulse with 10 unit of the sample resolution of the DUT.
- 3 Analyze the equivalent pulse to determine the 10 % and 90 % voltage levels of the risign/falling edges
- 4 Analyze the equivalent pulse to determine when the 10 % and 90 % crossover points occur for both edges.
- 5 Using the times obtained for the 10 % & 90 % crossovers, the N7832A software will calculate the rise/fall time performance of the DUT.

**NOTE**

- Only 1 cable is required if the DUT is an N1911A.
  - This test cannot be performed manually, due to the complexity of the pulse analysis algorithm.
  - No adjustment is available for this test if it fails (see [Chapter 5](#), “Troubleshooting Guide”).
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## 2 Performance Tests



## 3 Adjustments

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Power Reference Level Adjustment 41

This chapter contains checks and adjustments that ensure proper performance of the power meter.



## Introduction

Attempts to correct the Power Reference Level if the Performance Test has failed. Power Reference Level is controlled by the coarse and fine settings of a digital potentiometer. Adjustment of the coarse and fine settings can only be carried out via remote commands. Adjustment can be carried out without having to remove the outer covers from the DUT.



# Power Reference Level Adjustment

## Equipment

- As per the Test Equipment list for the Power Reference Level Performance Test

## Test Method

- 1 Set: Coarse = 834, Fine = 550
- 2 Measure Power Ref. Level as per the Performance Test:
  - a If the result is > 1 mW, the increment COARSE by 1
  - b If the result is < 1 mW, the decrement COARSE by 1
- 3 Repeat step 2 until the result crosses the 1 mW boundary (in either direction)
- 4 Measure Power Ref. Level as per the Performance Test:
  - a If the result is > 1 mW, then decrement FINE by 1
  - b If the result is < 1 mW, then increment FINE by 1
- 5 Repeat step 4 until the result crosses the 1 mW boundary (in either direction)
- 6 The adjustment is completed

### NOTE

- This adjustment can be performed manually via the commands:
 

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SERV:CAL:ADJ:COUR <Value>
SERV:CAL:ADJ:COUR?
SERV:CAL:ADJ:FINE <Value>
SERV:CAL:ADJ:FIINE?
```

 (Refer to the *Programming Guide* for further details on the use of these commands)
- COARSE and FINE values are valid in the range of 0 to 1023
- If adjustment is not possible, then a fault may be present in the DUT (see [Chapter 5](#), "Troubleshooting Guide").

### **3 Adjustments**



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This chapter describes how each of the power meter's individual assemblies operate.



## PPMC Assembly

### Purpose

- Provides the main processor and memory for the power meter
- Provides external interfaces for LAN and USB
- Stores the power meter firmware in Flash EEPROM
- Stores the power meter serial number and option data

### Inputs

- Power supplies [from PSU, via Main Board]
- Control and data lines [from Main Board, DAP(s), and Front Panel]
- LAN/ USB communications [from external equipment]
- GPIB communications [from external equipment, via Main Board]

### Outputs

- Control, address, and data lines [to Main Board, DAP(s), and Front Panel]

# Main Board Assembly

## Purpose

- Provides the Average measurement path(s)
- Provides the Peak measurement path(s) to the DAP(s)
- Provides external Trigger Input/ Output and Recorder Output(s)
- Provides the driver and the LVDS serialiser for the LCD display
- Provides signal routing between the PPMC, DAP(s), and Front Panel

## Inputs

- Power supplies [from PSU]
- Sensed power level(s) [from Sensor Flexi(s)]
- Trigger Input [from external equipment]
- Control, address, and data lines [from PPMC]

## Outputs

- Processed Average path measurement [to PPMC]
- Unprocessed Peak path measurement samples [to DAP(s)]
- Trigger Output & Recorder Output(s) [to external equipment]
- LVDS LCD display control lines [to Front Panel]
- Control and data lines [to PPMC]

## DAP Assembly

### Purpose

- Provides data acquisition and processing for the Peak measurement path of a channel

### Inputs

- Power supplies [from PSU, via Main Board]
- Unprocessed Peak path measurement samples [from Main Board]
- Control, address, and data lines [from PPMC]

### Outputs

- Processed Peak path measurement data [to PPMC, via Main Board]
- Control and data lines [to PPMC, via Main Board]

## Calibrator Assembly

### Purpose

- Provides a 1 mW (0 dBm) Power Reference Level at 50 MHz

### Inputs

- Power supplies [from PSU, via Main Board]
- Control, address, and data lines [from PPMC]

### Outputs

- 1 mW (0 dBm) Power Reference [to external equipment]
- Control and data lines [to PPMC, via Main Board]

## Front Panel Assembly

### Purpose

- Provides a keyboard as the manual user interface
- Provides an LCD display to assist with manual setups and measurements
- Provides mounting for the sensor and power reference connectors (option 101)

### Inputs

- Power supplies [from PSU, via Main Board]
- Front Panel control interface [from the PPMC LVDS LCD control lines, via Main Board]

### Outputs

- Keypress data [to PPMC, via Main Board]
- Information on the LCD display
- Control and data lines [to PPMC, via Main Board]



## PSU Assembly

**Purpose:**

- Provides various DC power supplies

**Inputs:**

- 100 Vac~ 240 Vac, 50 Hz~ 60 Hz, 150 VA Max [from an external source]
- Control lines [from Front Panel, via Main Board]

**Outputs:**

- +12 Vdc [to Main Board]
- +5 Vdc [to Main Board]
- - 5 Vdc [to Main Board]
- - 12 Vdc [to Main Board]

## **4 Theory of Operation**



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This chapter contains troubleshooting flow charts designed to isolate faults in the Rmt I/O, GP-IB and RS232/422 interface ports.



## Introduction

This chapter enables qualified service personnel to diagnose suspected faults with the power meter Rmt I/O (Remote Input/Output) signal lines and RS232/422 serial port.

If there is a problem when attempting to use the RS232/422 serial interface or the remote I/O functions, consult the User's Guide and confirm that all the user setups are correct before proceeding with the following fault finding flow-charts.

# Power-Up Problems

## Basic External Checks

- Check the mains power source is live
- Check the mains fuse is operational
- Check the mains cable for any obvious damage
- Check the line module fuse in the instrument is operational

## Basic Internal Checks

- Check/reseat the cable between the line module and the PSU
- Check/reseat the cable between the PSU and the Main Board
- Green LED DS1: If this is off, then the PSU may be faulty
- Green LED DS4: This should come on when the power button is pressed
- Green LEDs DS2/DS3: These will flash on and off during normal operation

## Possible Faults

- PSU
- Main Board
- Front Panel (defective Keymat, Key Flex Circuit, or Display)
- Loose Front Panel cable (connection to Main Board)

## Instrument Self-Test

Instrument	Purpose	Debug Tips	Possible Faults
Test Point Voltages	Checks that all of the supply voltages are present	Replace the PSU to see if this clears the faults	PSU (low probability) Main Board (high probability)
Calibrator	Verifies that the Calibrator is working  (Note: This test does not check that the Calibrator meets its specifications)	Check/reseat that cable between the Calibrator Assembly and the Main Board Attempt to adjust the 1 mW Power Reference Level	Calibrator Assembly (high probability) Main Board (low probability)
Fan	Verifies that the Fan is working	Check/reseat the cable between the Fan Assembly and the Main Board Check visually to see whether or not the Fan is working	Fan Assembly (high probability) Main Board (low probability)
Battery	Checks that the lithium manganese battery on the Main Board is working	Replace the battery to see if this clears the fault	Lithium Manganese Battery (high probability) Main Board (low probability)
Peak Path/ChA Peak Path	Verifies that the Peak Path of Channel A is working  (Note: This does not prove that the Peak Path meets its specifications)	Replace the DAP Assembly for Channel A to see if this clears the fault	DAP Assembly, Channel A (low probability) Main Board (low probability)
CW Path/ChA CW Path	Verifies that the Average Path of Channel A is working (Note: This does not prove that the Average Path meets its specifications)	Not applicable	Main Board
DAP Check/ChA DAP Check	Executes an internal self-test procedure on the DAP Assembly for Channel A	Replace the DAP Assembly for Channel A to see if this clears the fault	DAP Assembly, Channel A (high probability) Main Board (low probability)
ChB Peak Path	Verifies that the Peak Path of Channel B is working  (Note: This does not prove that the Peak Path meets its specifications)	Replace the DAP Assembly for Channel B to see if this clears the fault	DAP Assembly, Channel B (low probability) Main Board (high probability)

ChB CW Path	Verifies that the Average Path of Channel B is working  (Note: This does not prove that the Average Path meets its specifications)	Not applicable	Main Board
ChB DAP Check	Executes an internal self-test procedure on the DAP Assembly for Channel B	Replace the DAP Assembly for Channel B to see if this clears the fault	DAP Assembly, Channel B (high probability) Main Board (low probability)

## Extended Self-Test

Instrument	Purpose	Debug Tips	Possible Faults
Keyboard	Verifies the operation of every key (apart from the power button)	Not applicable	Front Panel (defective Keymat or Key Flex Circuit)
Bitmap Display	Verifies that all pixels in the display can be illuminated in various colors	Not applicable	Front Panel (defective Display, Display Interface Board, or Inverter Board)
Time Base	Provides a means to measure Time Base Frequency Accuracy	Check that the BNC cable being used is not damaged Check that the BNC is connected to 'Trig Out', not 'Trig In'	Main Board



## Performance Test

Type of Failures	Debug Tips	Possible Faults
1 mW Power Reference Level Failures	Attempt to adjust the 1 mW Power Reference Level	Calibrator Assembly (high probability) Main Board (low probability)
VSWR Failures	Not applicable	Calibrator Assembly
Time Base Frequency Accuracy Failures	Check that the BNC cable being used is not damaged Check that the BNC is connected to 'Trig Out', not 'Trig In'	Main Board
Zero Set (Average Path) Failures	Not applicable	Main Board
Zero Set (Peak Path) Failures	Not applicable	Main Board
Linearity (Average Path) Failures	Not applicable	Main Board
Linearity (Peak Path) Failures	Replace the DAP Assembly for the channel to see if this clears the fault	DAP Assembly (low probability) Main Board (high probability)
Rise/Fall Time (Peak Path) Failures	Check/reseat the Sensor Flex RF connections	Sensor Flex Assembly (low probability) DAP Assembly (low probability) Main Board (high probability)

## Power Reference Level Adjustment Problems

### Possible Faults

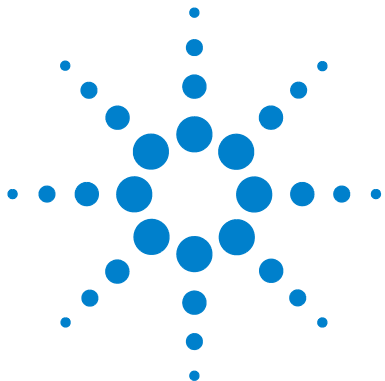
- Calibrator Assembly (high probability)
- Main Board (low probability)

## Communication Interface Failures

Type of Communication	Debug Tips	Possible Faults
GPIB Communication	Check/reseat the Ribbon Cable connecting the PPMC to the Main Board	Ribbon Cable (low probability) PPMC Assembly (low probability) Main Board (high probability)
LAN/USB Communication	Check visually to see whether or not the connector is obstructed/damaged	PPMC Assembly

## Additional Diagnostic Tests

Type of Functionality	Reason	Recommended Test Method	Possible Faults
USB/LAN Functionality	The N7832A software only tests functionality over GPIB	Check the DUT responds when *RST is sent to it via the USB/LAN interfaces	PPMC Assembly
Sensor Functionality	The N7832A software does not prove both paths of the Sensor Flex Assembly	Connect an E4412A sensor to the DUT and ensure it can be zeroed/calibrated	Sensor Flex Assembly



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This chapter details the power meter's replaceable parts. It also explains how to assemble and disassemble the power meter.



## Introduction

This chapter contains details of some of the higher level components and assemblies which can be ordered from Agilent Technologies. It also details how to assemble and disassemble the power meter for repair. The contents included are:

- 1 Replaceable Parts
- 2 Tools Required
- 3 Disassembly Instructions
- 4 Reassembly Instructions
- 5 Disassembly vs Part Replacement
- 6 Front Panel Disassembly Instructions
- 7 Front Panel Reassembly Instructions
- 8 Additional Repair Notes
- 9 Replacing the PPMC Assembly
- 10 Replacing the Calibrator Semi- Rigid/Split Ferrite

To order parts contact your local Agilent Technologies Sales and Service Office.



To return your power meter for servicing at a qualified service center refer to [Chapter 7](#), “Contacting Agilent Technologies”.

# Replaceable Parts

## Front Panel Assembly

### Main Assembly

The standard P-Series Power Meter has the Reference Calibrator at the front panel. Option is available to move the Reference Calibrator to rear panel.

Agilent Part Number	Description	Visual
N1912-61804	Front Panel Assembly (Front Calibrator Option)	
N1912-61805	Front Panel Assembly (Rear Calibrator Option)  <b>Note:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Front Panel Assembly must be customized to suit the hardware configuration of the unit being repaired</li> <li>• Refurbished Front Panel Assemblies are not available</li> </ul>	

### Customization Details




The standard P-Series Power Meters have the Input Sensor Connector(s) and Reference Calibrator Connector on the front panel. Option 003 is available to move the Input Sensor Connector(s) and Reference Calibrator Connector to the rear panel. Below are the customization details on Front Panel Assembly.

Connector Option	Details	Part Number
N1911A (Front Connectors Option)	1 unit of Sensor Flex Assembly 1 unit of Calibrator Plug 1 unit of Front Panel Plug (Large) 1 unit of N1911A Front Panel Dress Label 1 unit of N1911A Nameplate	N1912-61806 N1912-21003 N1912-21004 N1912-00026 N1911-80001
N1911A (Front Connectors Option)	2 unit of Front Panel Plug (Large) 1 unit of Front Panel Plug (Small) 1 unit of Blank Front Panel Dress Label 1 unit of N1911A Nameplate	N1912-21004 N1912-21005 N1912-00025 N1911-80001
N1912A (Front Connectors Option)	2 unit of Sensor Flex Assembly 1 unit of Calibrator Plug 1 unit of N1912A Front Panel Dress Label 1 unit of N1912A Nameplate	N1912-61806 N1912-21003 N1912-00027 N1912-80003
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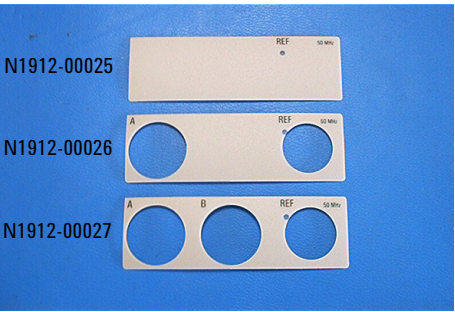

Photos on items above are available in next section.



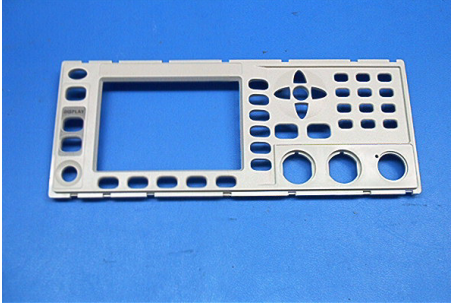
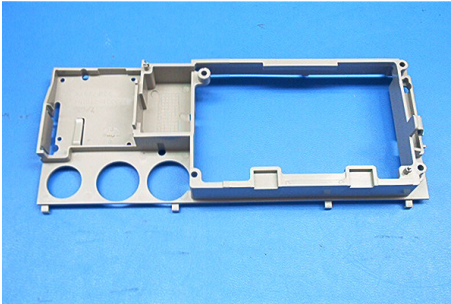
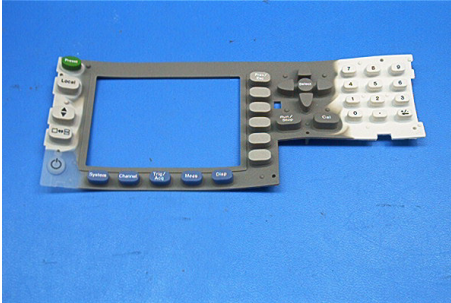
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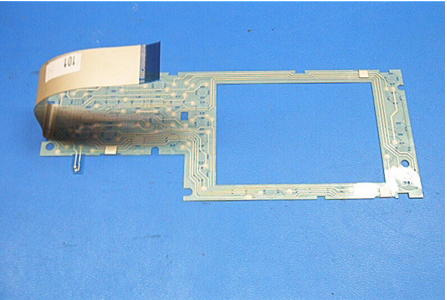
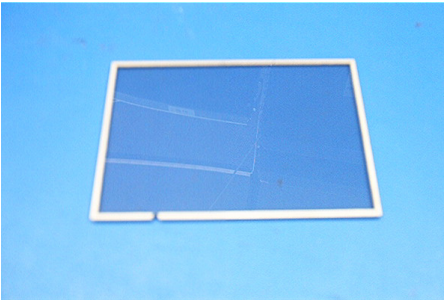
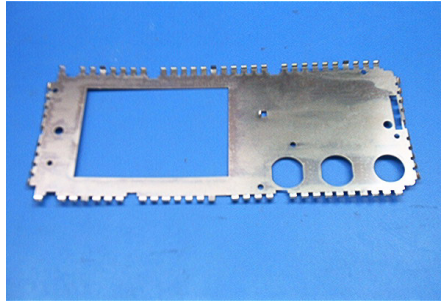
Agilent Part Number	Description	Visual
N1912-61806	<p>Sensor Flex Assembly</p> <p><b>Note:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The same assembly is used for all four sensor positions</li> <li>• The kit includes a spacer, required for fitting the flex to the rear panel</li> <li>• The Sensor Flex Assembly is supplied straight, and so it must be folded to match the assembly being replaced (see <a href="#">"Additional Repair Notes"</a> on page 109)</li> </ul>	 <p>A photograph showing a Sensor Flex Assembly. It consists of a long, thin, reddish-brown flexible cable with a green connector on one end and a silver connector on the other. Two small silver metal rings are placed next to it for scale.</p>
N1912-21003	Calibrator Plug	 <p>A photograph showing a single Calibrator Plug, which is a small, silver metal ring with a notch cut into it.</p>
N1912-21005	Front Panel Plug (Small)	 <p>A photograph showing two small, white, circular Front Panel Plugs. The one on the left is labeled 'N1912- 21004' and the one on the right is labeled 'N1912- 21005'.</p>

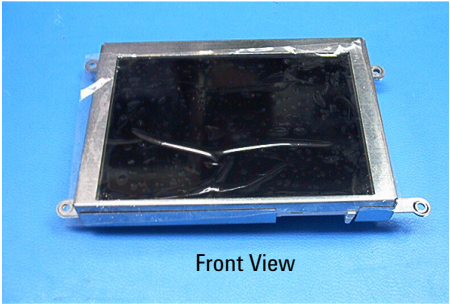
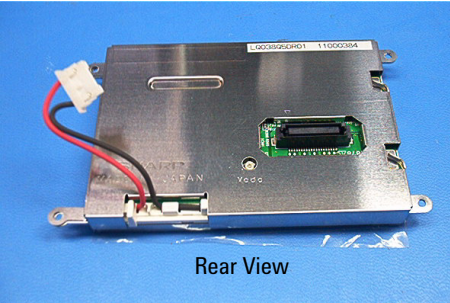
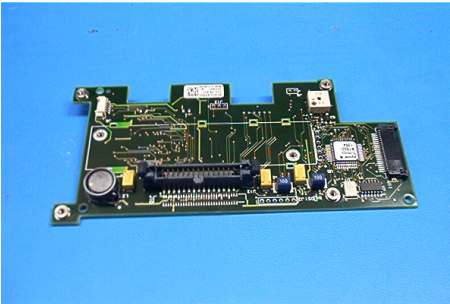
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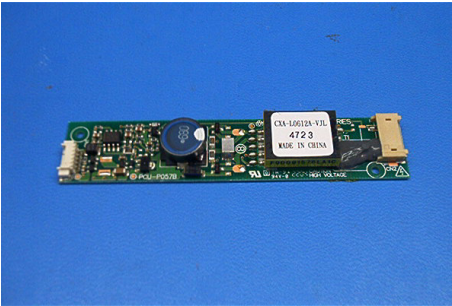
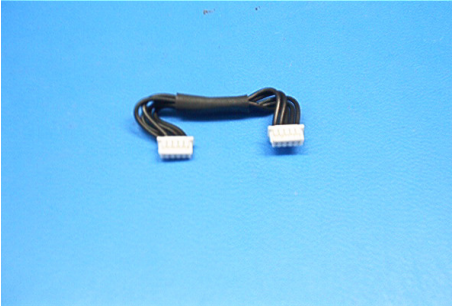

Agilent Part Number	Description	Visual
<p>N1912-00025</p> <p>N1912-00026</p> <p>N1912-00027</p>	<p>Blank Front Panel Dress Label</p> <p>N1911A Front Panel Dress Label</p> <p>N1912A Front Panel Dress Label</p>	 <p>The image shows three Agilent front panel dress labels against a blue background. The top label is labeled 'N1912-00025' and is a blank rectangular piece with 'REF' and '50 MHz' printed on the right side. The middle label is labeled 'N1912-00026' and is for the N1911A model, featuring two circular cutouts labeled 'A' and 'B', and 'REF' and '50 MHz' on the right. The bottom label is labeled 'N1912-00027' and is for the N1912A model, featuring three circular cutouts labeled 'A', 'B', and 'C', and 'REF' and '50 MHz' on the right.</p>
<p>N1911-80001</p> <p>N1912-80003</p>	<p>N1911A Nameplate</p> <p>N1912A Nameplate</p>	 <p>The image shows two Agilent nameplates against a blue background. The top nameplate is labeled 'N1911-80001' and is for the N1911A model, featuring the Agilent logo, 'Agilent N1911A P-Series Power Meter'. The bottom nameplate is labeled 'N1912-80003' and is for the N1912A model, featuring the Agilent logo, 'Agilent N1912A P-Series Power Meter'.</p>

### Replaceable Parts

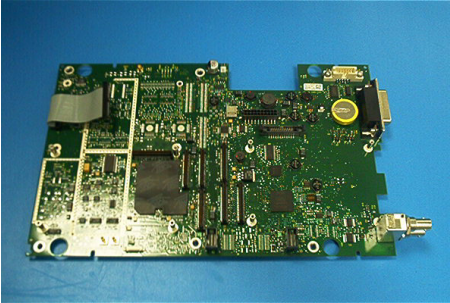
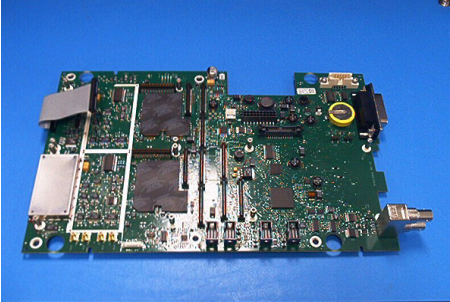
Agilent Part Number	Description	Visual
N1912-40003	<p>Front Panel Sub-Frame</p> <p><b>Note:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This Front Panel Sub-Frame is used on all variants of the Front Panel Assembly</li> </ul>	 <p>A white plastic front panel sub-frame with a large rectangular cutout for a display and a control panel area on the right side with various button and indicator cutouts.</p>
N1912-40002	<p>Display Support Molding</p> <p><b>Note:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This Display Support Molding is used on all variants of the Front Panel Assembly</li> </ul>	 <p>A white plastic molding piece designed to support the display, featuring a rectangular frame with mounting tabs and circular cutouts at the bottom.</p>
N1912-40002	<p>Keymat</p> <p><b>Note:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This Keymat is used on all variants of the Front Panel Assembly</li> </ul>	 <p>A white keymat assembly with a grid of buttons and a central display area, including a power button and function keys like 'Print', 'Cancel', 'Hold', and 'Clear'.</p>

Agilent Part Number	Description	Visual
N1912-20001	<p>Key Flex Circuit</p> <p><b>Note:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This Key Flex Circuit is used on all variants of the Front Panel Assembly</li> </ul>	 <p>A photograph of a Key Flex Circuit, which is a thin, flexible printed circuit board. It has a rectangular shape with a small, curved section on the left side. The board is populated with various electronic components, including a small integrated circuit and several surface-mount components. It is shown against a blue background.</p>
N1912-20005	<p>EMI Shielded Window</p> <p><b>Note:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This EMI Shielded Window is used on all variants of the Front Panel Assembly</li> </ul>	 <p>A photograph of an EMI Shielded Window, which is a rectangular, thin, and slightly curved component. It has a white border and a blue center. It is shown against a blue background.</p>
N1912-00002	<p>EMI Screen</p> <p><b>Note:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This EMI Screen is used on all variants of the Front Panel Assembly</li> </ul>	 <p>A photograph of an EMI Screen, which is a rectangular, thin, and slightly curved component. It has a white border and a blue center. It is shown against a blue background.</p>

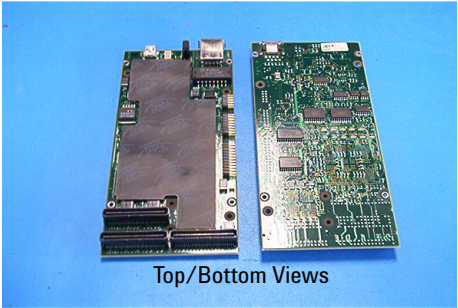
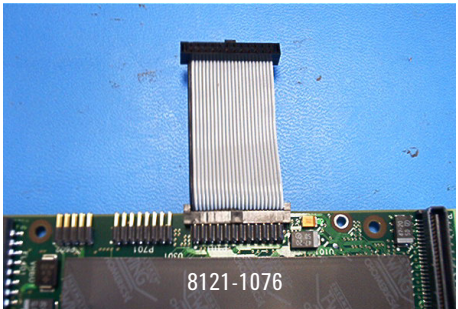
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2090-0825	<p>Display</p> <p><b>Note:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This Display is used on all variants of the Front Panel Assembly</li> </ul>	 <p>Front View</p>  <p>Rear View</p>
N1912-60002	<p>Display Interface Board</p> <p><b>Note:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This Display Interface Board is used on all variants of the Front Panel Assembly</li> </ul>	

Agilent Part Number	Description	Visual
0950-4111	<p>Inverter Board</p> <p><b>Note:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This Inverter Board is used on all variants of the Front Panel Assembly</li> </ul>	
N1912-61002	<p>Backlight Cable Assembly</p> <p><b>Note:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This backlight Cable Assembly is used on all variants of the Front Panel Assembly</li> </ul>	
N1912-00038	<p>Split Washer</p> <p><b>Note:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This Split Washer is used on all variants of the Front Panel Assembly</li> </ul>	

## Main Board Assembly

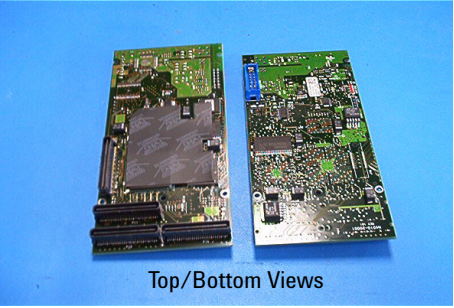
Agilent Part Number	Description	Visual
N1911-61801	N1911A Main Board Assembly [New]	
N1912-61801	N1912A Main Board Assembly [New] <p><b>Note:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Refurbished Main Boards are not available</li> <li>• The part number for the Lithium Manganese Battery (upper- right of both photographs) is 1420-0394</li> </ul>	

## PPMC (Processor PCI Mezzanine) Assembly

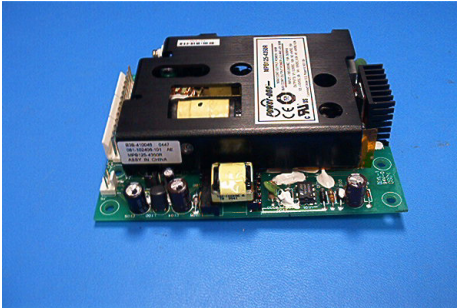
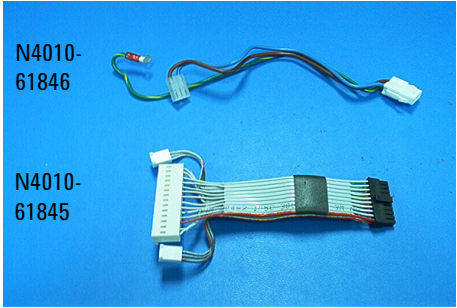
Agilent Part Number	Description	Visual
N1911-61802	<p>PPMC PCA</p> <p><b>Note:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The same assembly is used for both N1911A and N1912A models</li> <li>• N1911-66500 (Single Channel PPMC PCA) comes pre-programmed with N1911A firmware</li> <li>• N1912-66500 (Dual Channel PPMC PCA) comes pre-programmed with N1912A firmware</li> <li>• Refurbished PPMC Assemblies are not available</li> <li>• The PPMC Assembly must be programmed once it has been installed (see <a href="#">“Additional Repair Notes”</a> on page 109)</li> <li>• Ribbon Cable 8121-1076 is supplied separately</li> </ul>	 <p>Top/Bottom Views</p>  <p>8121-1076</p>



## DAP (Digital Acquisition & Processing) Assembly


Agilent Part Number	Description	Visual
N1912-60004	<p>Measurement Board</p> <p><b>Note:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The same assembly is used for both N1911A and N1912A models</li> <li>• Two identical DAP Assemblies are fitted to the N1912A model</li> <li>• Refurbished DAP Assemblies are not available</li> </ul>	 <p>Top/Bottom Views</p>

## PSU (Power Supply Unit)

Agilent Part Number	Description	Visual
<p>N4010-61848</p>	<p>PSU [New]</p> <p><b>Note:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The same assembly is used for both N1911A and N1912A models</li> <li>• Refurbished PSUs are not available</li> <li>• Cables N4010-61846 and N4010-61845 are supplied separately</li> </ul>	 <p>The image shows a black PSU assembly mounted on a green printed circuit board. The assembly includes a transformer, capacitors, and various electronic components. A label on the top of the PSU is visible, showing the Agilent logo and technical specifications.</p>  <p>The image shows two cables. The top cable, labeled N4010-61846, is a thin, multi-colored ribbon cable with a white connector on one end and a multi-pin connector on the other. The bottom cable, labeled N4010-61845, is a wider, multi-colored ribbon cable with a white connector on one end and a multi-pin connector on the other.</p>

## Rear Panel Assembly

### Main Assembly

Agilent Part Number	Description	Visual
N1912-61007	Rear Panel Assembly [New]	 <p>N1912-61007 / N1912-61031</p>
N1912-61031	Revised Rear Panel Assembly [New] <p><b>Note:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Rear Panel Assembly must be customized to suit the hardware configuration of the unit being repaired</li> <li>Refurbished Rear Panel Assemblies are not available</li> <li>Parts N1912-61007 and N1912-61031 differ slightly with regards to the connector cutout positions</li> <li>The revision of the Main Board can be used to help determine which Rear Panel Assembly is in use (see <a href="#">“Additional Repair Notes”</a> on page 109)</li> <li>The same assemblies are used for both N1911A and N1912A models</li> </ul>	

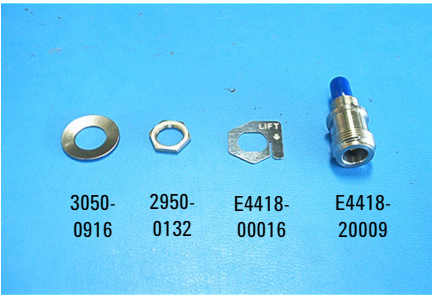
### Customization Details


The standard P-Series Power Meters have the Input Sensor Connector(s) and Reference Calibrator Connector on the front panel. Option 003 is available to move the Input Sensor Connector(s) and Reference Calibrator Connector to the rear panel. Below are the customization details on Rear Panel Assembly.

Connector Option	Details	Part Number
N1911A (Front Connectors Option)	1 unit of Rear Panel Plug (BNC) 2 unit of Rear Panel Plug (Sensor) 1 unit of Rear Panel Plug (Calibrator)	6960-0081 6960-0024 6960-0178

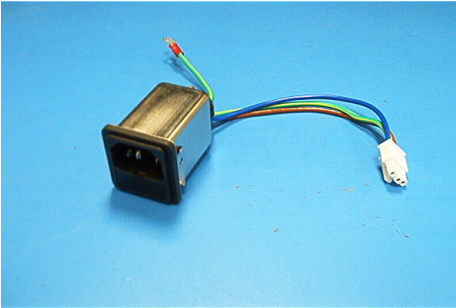

Connector Option	Details	Part Number
N1911A (Front Connectors Option)	1 unit of Sensor Flex Assembly 1 unit of N-Type Connector 1 unit of Lock Washer 1 unit of Hex Nut 1 unit of Washer 1 unit of Rear Panel Plug (BNC) 1 unit of Rear Panel Plug (Sensor)	N1912-61806 E4418-20009 E4418-00016 2950-0132 3050-0916 6960-0081 6960-0024
N1912A (Front Connectors Option)	1 unit of Recorder Output Cable 2 unit of Rear Panel Plug (Sensor) 1 unit of Rear Panel Plug (Calibrator)	E4418-61015 6960-0024 6960-0178
N1912A (Front Connectors Option)	2 unit of Sensor Flex Assembly 1 unit of N-Type Connector 1 unit of Lock Washer 1 unit of Hex Nut 1 unit of Washer 1 unit of Recorder Output Cable	N1912-61806 E4418-20009 E4418-00016 2950-0132 3050-0916 E4418-61015

**Customization Parts**

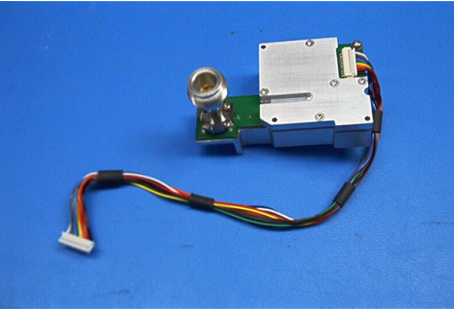
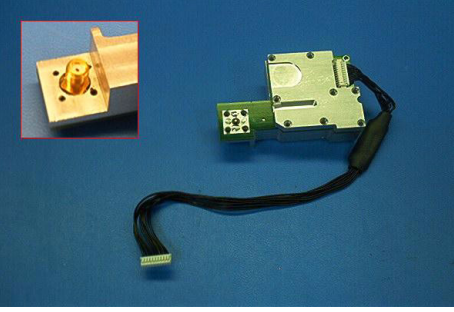
Agilent Part Number	Description	Visual
E4418-20009	N- Type Connector	
E4418-00016	Lock Washer	
2950-0132	Hex Nut	
3050-0916	Washer	

Agilent Part Number	Description	Visual
N1912-61806	Sensor Flex Assembly	 <p>A photograph of a Sensor Flex Assembly. It consists of a long, thin, dark-colored flexible ribbon cable. One end of the cable has a green connector, and the other end has a silver BNC connector. Two small, circular metal washers are placed next to the cable on a blue background.</p>
E4418-61015	Recorder Output Cable	 <p>A photograph of a Recorder Output Cable. It is a short cable with a silver BNC connector on one end and a black connector on the other. The cable is laid out on a blue background.</p>
<p>6960-0081</p> <p>6960-0024</p> <p>6960-0178</p>	<p>Rear Panel Plug (BNC)</p> <p>Rear Panel Plug (Sensor)</p> <p>Rear Panel Plug (Calibrator)</p>	<p>(Two Views Shown For Each Part)</p>  <p>A photograph showing three pairs of rear panel plugs. Each pair consists of a top view and a side view of the plug. The plugs are black and cylindrical. Below each pair, the part number is printed: 6960-0178, 6960-0024, and 6960-0081.</p>

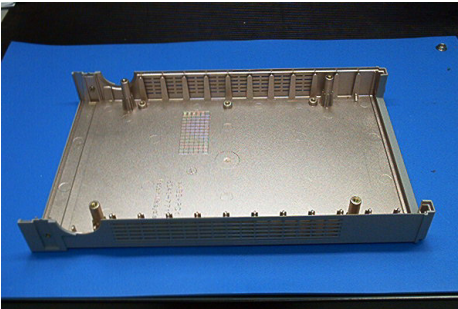
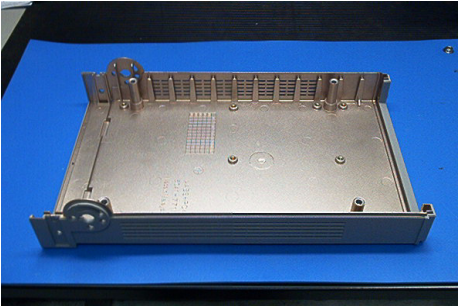
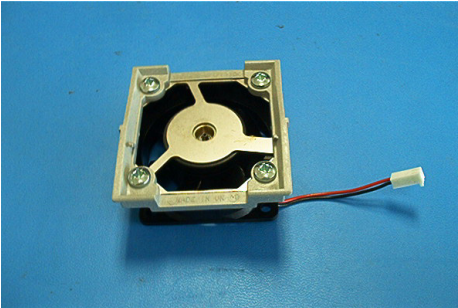
## Additional Spare Parts

Agilent Part Number	Description	Visual
N4010-61008	Line Module	
N4010-21025	Service Connector Cable	

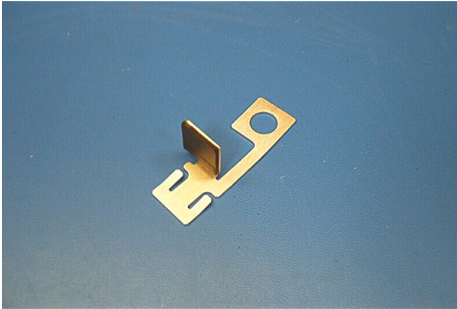

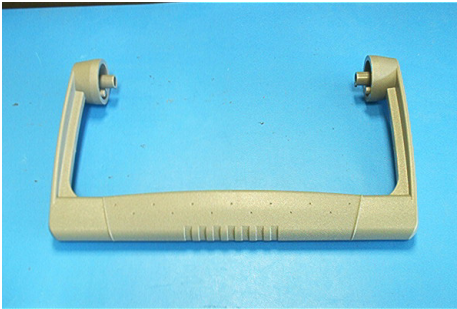
## Calibrator Assembly

Agilent Part Number	Description	Visual
N1911-61001	Calibrator Assembly (Front Connectors Option)	
N1911-61002	<p>Calibrator Assembly (Rear Connectors Option)</p> <p><b>Note:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Semi-rigid cable N1912-61004 is not included with assembly N1911-61002; if this is required, it is available as a separate item</li> </ul>	


## Outer Housing Components

Agilent Part Number	Description	Visual
5041-7717	Clamshell (Top)	
5041-7718	Clamshell (Bottom)	
N1912-61005	Fan Assembly	




Agilent Part Number	Description	Visual
N1912-61025	Cable Clamp	
34401-86020	Bumper Kit	
34401-45021	Handle	

## Sundries

Agilent Part Number	Description	Visual
<p>N1911-61004</p> <p>N1912-80005</p>	<p>Calibrator Semi-Rigid Cable (Rear Option)</p> <p>Split Ferrite</p> <p><b>Note:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If the Semi-Rigid Cable is replaced, then the Split Ferrite must be positioned correctly (see <a href="#">"Additional Repair Notes"</a> on page 109)</li> </ul>	 <p>N1911-61004 (with N1912-80005)</p>
<p>2210-0957</p>	<p>Line Module Fuse, 3.15A/250V (Non-Time-Delayed)</p>	

## Tools Required

Agilent Part Number	Description	Visual
<p>N1911-61004</p> <p>N1912-80005</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 3 unit of ¼" Drive Torque Wrenches                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1 unit of Calibrated to 2.37 Nm (21 lb-in)</li> <li>• 1 unit of Calibrated to 1.02 Nm (9 lb-in)</li> <li>• 1 unit of Calibrated to 0.68 Nm (6 lb-in)</li> </ul> </li> <li>• 3 unit of Torque Screwdrivers                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1 unit of Calibrated to 2.37 Nm (21 lb-in)</li> <li>• 1 unit of Calibrated to 0.56 Nm (5 lb-in)</li> <li>• 1 unit of Calibrated to 0.34 Nm (3 lb-in)</li> </ul> </li> <li>• T6, T8, T10, &amp; T20 Torx Screwdriver Bits</li> <li>• 7/16" Break Spanner, Calibrated to 2.37 Nm (21 lb- in)</li> <li>• 5/16" Break Spanner, Calibrated to 1.02 Nm (9 lb- in)</li> <li>• 9/32" Socket</li> </ul>	
<p>2210-0957</p>	<p>Special Tooling Kit</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Contains:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ODU Socket</li> <li>• Trigger Socket</li> <li>• 9/16" BNC Socket</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Sockets must be used in conjunction with a ¼" Drive Torque Wrench, calibrated to 2.37 Nm (21 lb-in)</li> <li>• The 9/16" BNC Socket is required to remove the Trig In/Out fasteners for the majority of N1911A/12A Power Meters</li> <li>• The Trigger Socket is required to remove the Trig In/Out fasteners for a minority of N1911A/12A Power Meters</li> </ul>	 <p>ODU Socket      Trigger Socket      9/16" BNC Socket</p>


## Required Torque Values for Fasteners

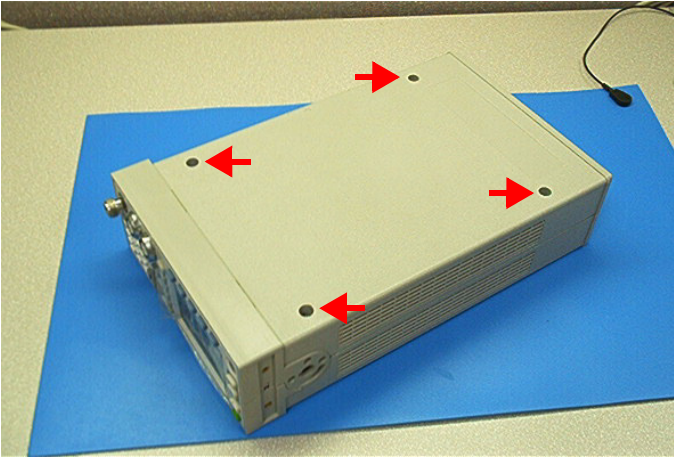
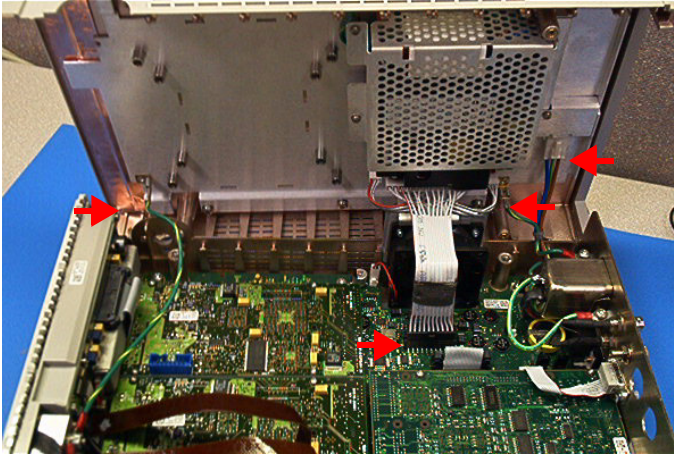
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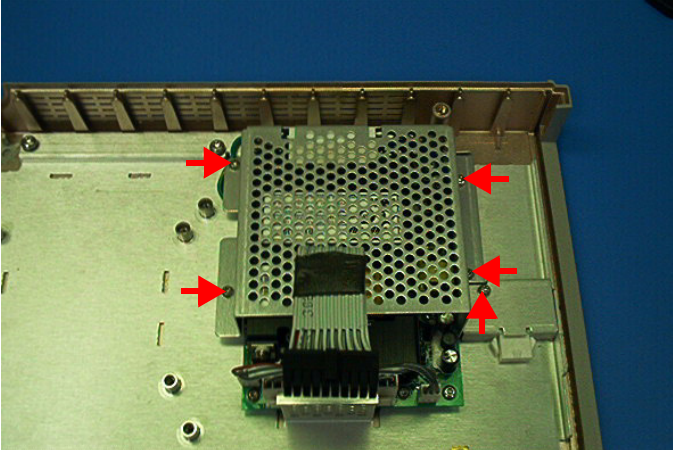
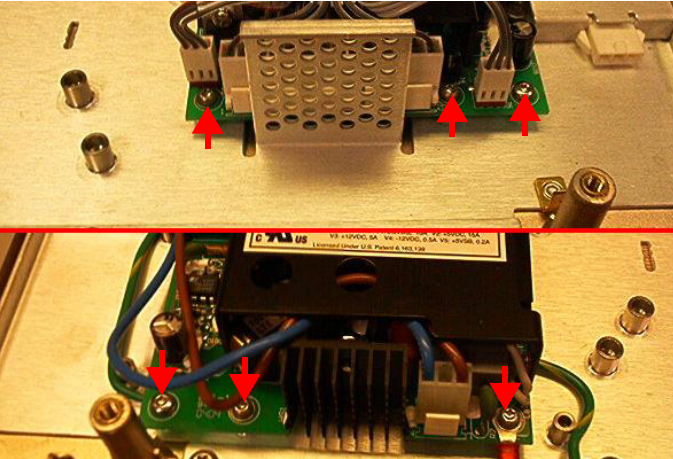
Item	Description/Default	Range of Values
Fit Rear Panel GPIB Standoffs	9/32" Socket	0.68 Nm
Fit Rear Panel Trig In/Out Connectors	Special Tooling Kit (N1912-61807)	2.37 Nm
Fit Rear Panel Recorder Output Connectors	7/16" Spanner	2.37 Nm
Attach Main Board To Clamshell	T20 Screwdriver	2.37 Nm
Attach PPMC/DAP Assemblies To Main Board	T8 Screwdriver	0.56 Nm
Fit Calibrator Semi- Rigid, Both Ends (Option 003)	5/16" Spanner	1.02 Nm
Attach Earth Wires (Nut)	9/32" Socket	1.02 Nm
Attach Earth Wires (Screw)	T20 Screwdriver	2.37 Nm
Attach Top Clamshell To Bottom Clamshell	T20 Screwdriver	2.37 Nm
Fit Sensor Connector	Special Tooling Kit (N1912-61807)	2.37 Nm
Fit PSU/PSU Safety Cover	T10 Screwdriver	2.37 Nm
Fit Display to Display Support Moulding	T6 Screwdriver	0.56 Nm
Fit Calibrator to Display Support Moulding	T6 Screwdriver	0.34 Nm
Fit Display Interface Board to Inverter Board	T6 Screwdriver	0.56 Nm

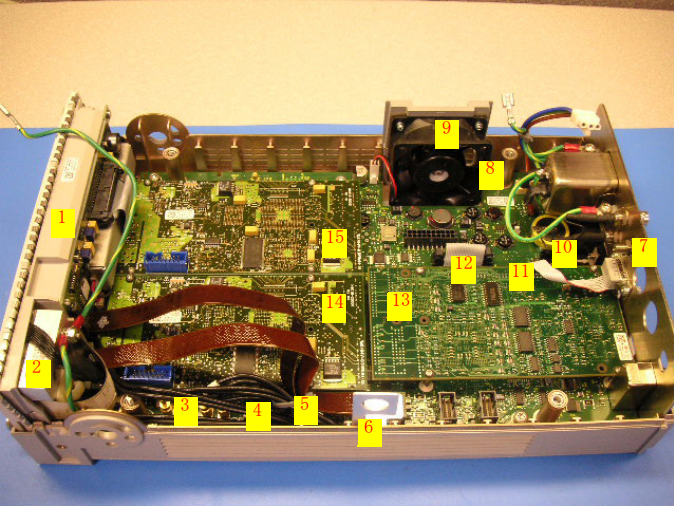
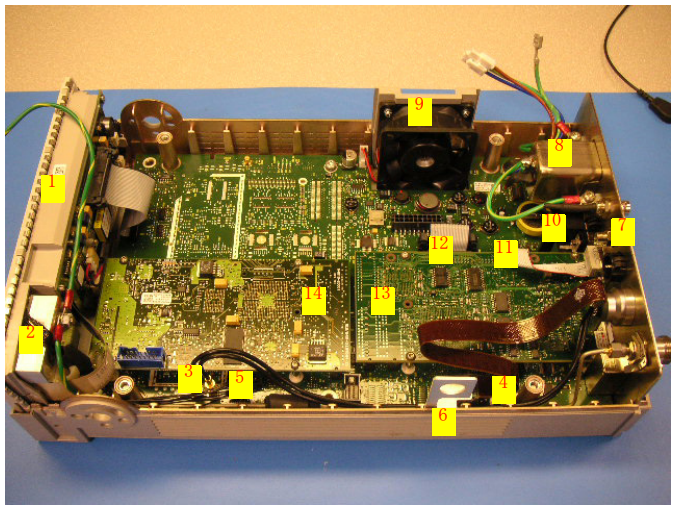
## Disassembly Instructions

The guidelines in this section describe the disassembly of the major assembling in the Agilent N1911A and N1912A Power Meters.

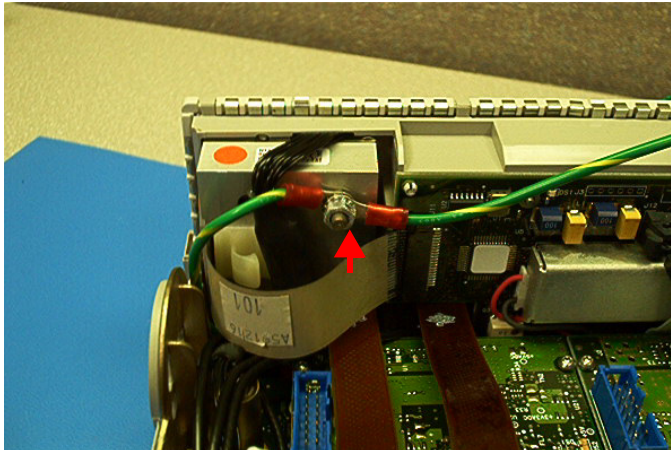
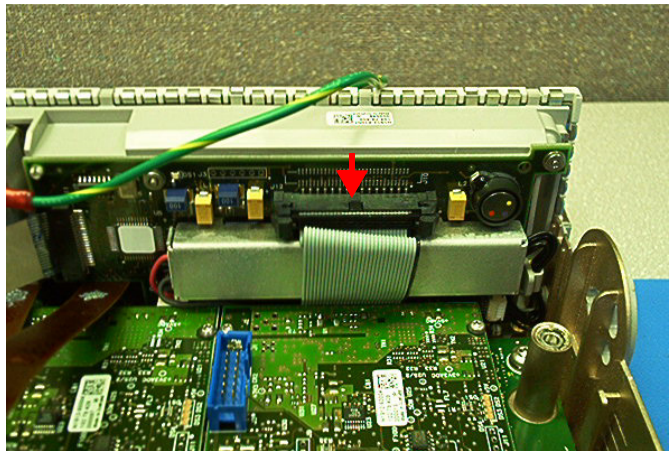
Instructions	Visual
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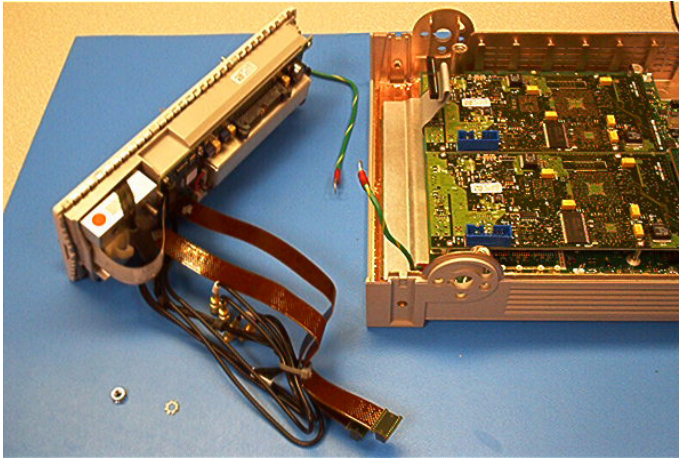
Instructions	Visual
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Remove the handle: Rotate it to the vertical position. Pull both sides outwards from the body of the unit.</li> <li>Remove the front/rear bumpers: Pull one side of the bumper outwards to disengage it. Pull it away from the unit.</li> <li>Separate the clamshells (Figure 1): Use the T20 Torx Screwdriver Bit to loosen the 4 captive screws.</li> </ul>	 <p data-bbox="611 835 696 864"><b>Figure 1</b></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Remove the top clamshell (Figure 2): Disconnect the mains power connector from the top clamshell. Disconnect the ribbon cable from the main board. Disconnect both earth spade connectors from the top clamshell. Remove top clamshell.</li> </ul>	 <p data-bbox="611 1421 696 1451"><b>Figure 2</b></p>

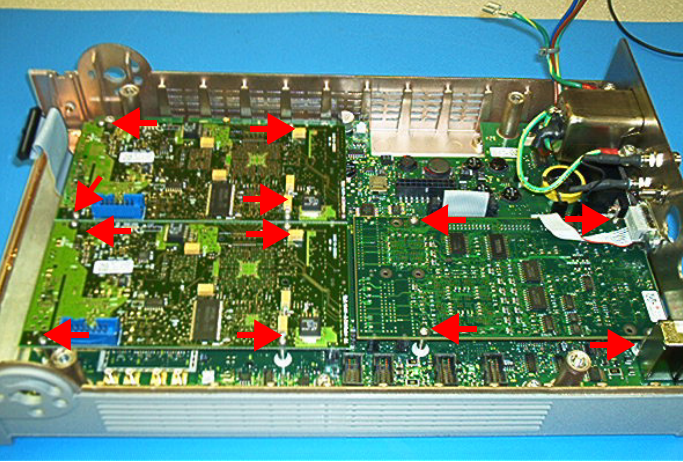
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Remove the PSU safety cover (Figure 3): Use the T10 Torx Screwdriver Bit to remove the 4 screws attaching the PSU safety cover to the top clamshell. Lift and remove the safety cover.</li> <li>Remove the PSU cable guide (Figure 3): Use the T10 Torx Screwdriver Bit to remove the screw attaching the cable guide to the top clamshell. Lift and remove cable guide.</li> </ul>	 <p data-bbox="611 829 699 859"><b>Figure 3</b></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Remove the PSU (Figure 4): Use the T10 Torx Screwdriver Bit to remove the 6 screws attaching the PSU to the top clamshell. Lift and remove the PSU.</li> </ul>	 <p data-bbox="611 1420 699 1449"><b>Figure 4</b></p>

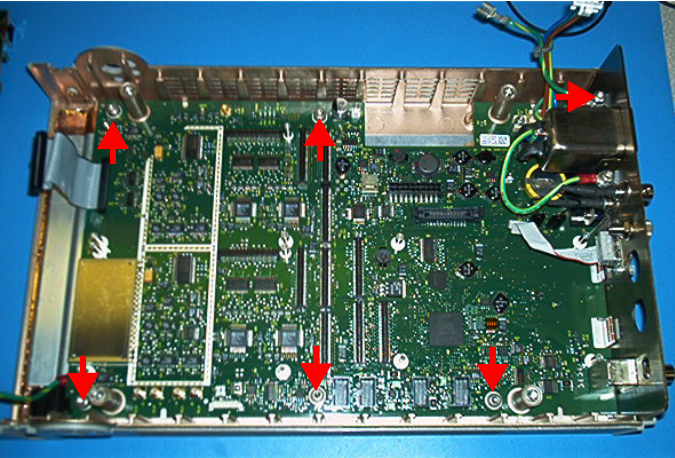
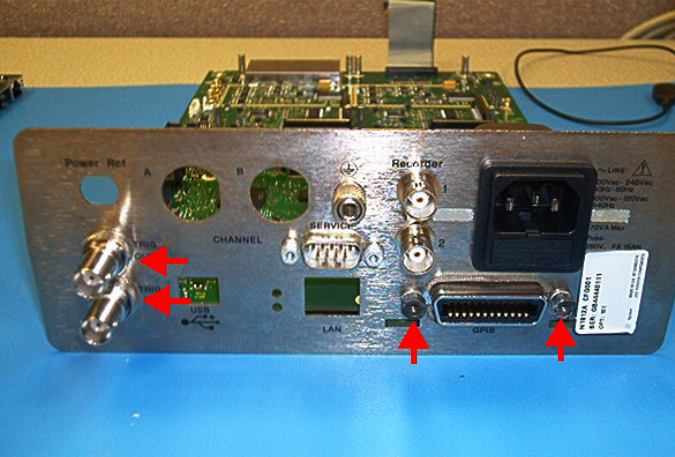
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Key to <a href="#">Figure 5</a> and <a href="#">Figure 6</a>:</li> </ul> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 Front Panel Assembly</li> <li>2 Calibrator Assembly</li> <li>3 Sensor RF Connections</li> <li>4 Sensor Flex Connection(s)</li> <li>5 Calibrator Cable Connection</li> <li>6 Cable Clamp</li> <li>7 Rear Panel Assembly</li> <li>8 Line Module</li> <li>9 Fan Assembly</li> <li>10 Analog Recorder Output Connection(s)</li> <li>11 Service Connector Cable</li> <li>12 Ribbon Cable</li> <li>13 PPMC Assembly</li> <li>14 DAP Assembly (Channel A)</li> <li>15 DAP Assembly (Channel B)</li> </ol>	 <p><b>Figure 5</b></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• With reference to <a href="#">Figure 5</a> and <a href="#">Figure 6</a>:</li> <li>• Lift and remove the cable clamp.</li> <li>• Disconnect the cable attaching the fan assembly to the main board.</li> <li>• Lift and remove the fan assembly</li> <li>• Disconnect the sensor RF connections from the main board.</li> <li>• Disconnect the sensor flex connection(s) from the main board.</li> <li>• Disconnect the calibrator cable connection from the main board.</li> <li>• Disconnect the analog recorder output connection(s) from the main board.</li> </ul>	 <p><b>Figure 6</b></p>



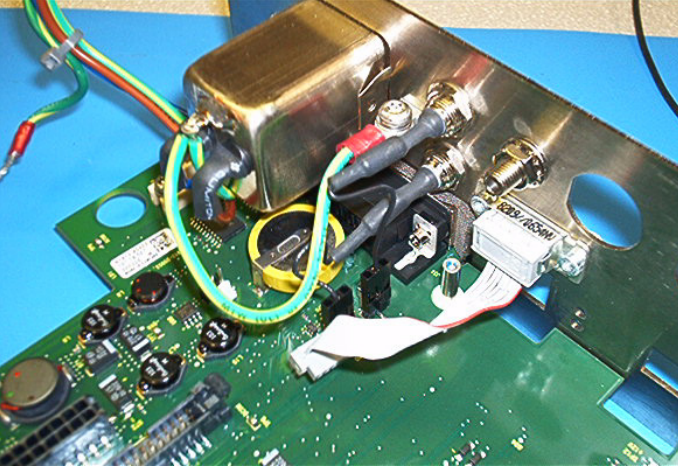
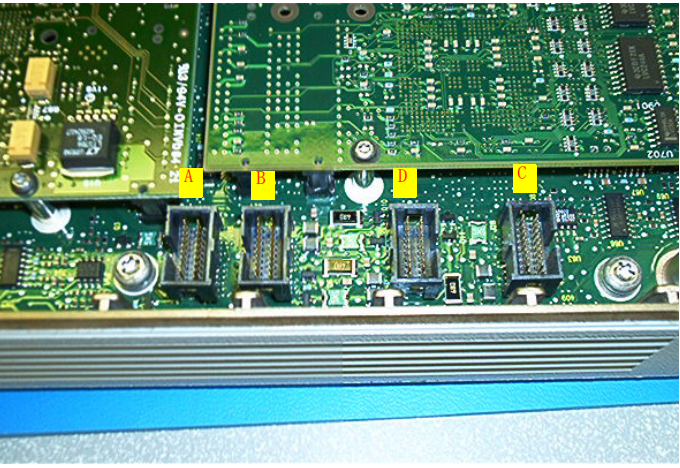
Instructions	Visual
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Remove the EMI earth wires (Figure 7): Use the 9/32" Socket to remove the hex nut attaching the EMI earth wires to the calibrator assembly. Remove the earth wires and washers, taking note of the assembly order.</li></ul>	 <p data-bbox="611 795 699 822"><b>Figure 7</b></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Disconnect the front panel cable (Figure 8): Depress both sides of the connector holding the ribbon cable to eject it.</li></ul>	 <p data-bbox="611 1350 699 1378"><b>Figure 8</b></p>

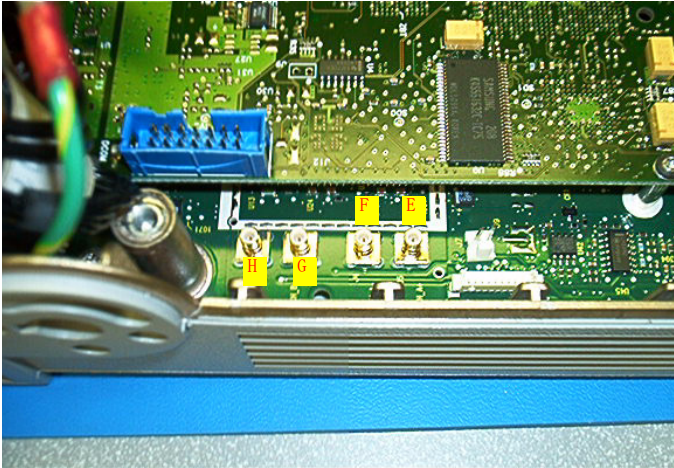
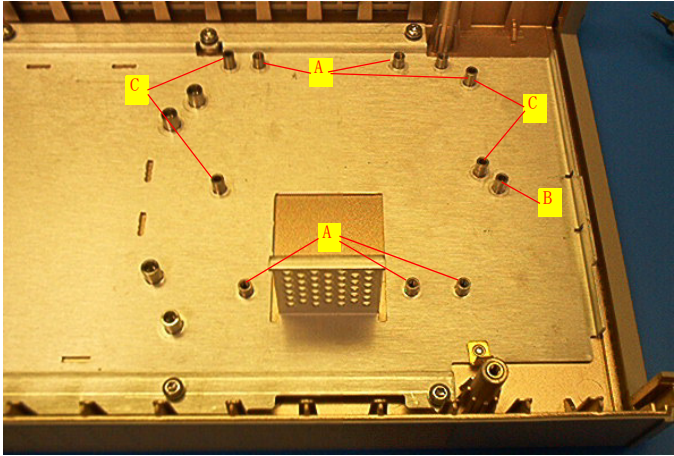
Instructions	Visual
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Disconnect the semi-rigid cable (Figure 9):</li> </ul> <p><b>Note:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This only applies to Option 003 units.</li> </ul> <p>Use the 5/16" Spanner to disconnect the semi-rigid cable from the N-Type connector on the rear panel.</p>	 <p><b>Figure 9</b></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Remove the front panel (Figure 10): Carefully lift and remove the front panel assembly.</li> </ul>	 <p><b>Figure 10</b></p>

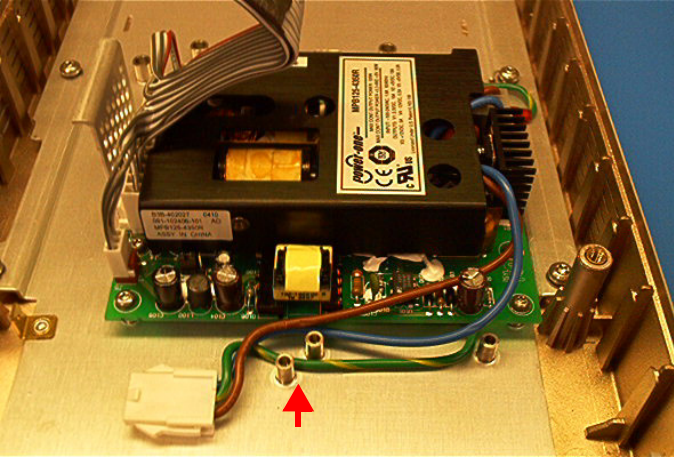
Instructions	Visual
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Disconnect PPMC cables (Figure 5/Figure 6): Disconnect the service connector cable from the PPMC assembly. Disconnect the ribbon cable from the main board, whilst leaving it connected to the PPMC assembly.</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Remove DAP/PPMC (Figure 11): Use the T8 Torx Screwdriver Bit to remove the screws attaching the DAP and PPMC assemblies to the main board. Carefully remove the PPMC assembly by lifting the end closest to the DAP assembly. Carefully remove each DAP assembly by lifting the end closest to the rear panel.</li> </ul>	 <p data-bbox="608 994 708 1029"><b>Figure 11</b></p>

Instructions	Visual
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Remove the main board (Figure 12): Use the T20 Torx Screwdriver Bit to remove the 5 screws attaching the main board to the bottom clamshell. Use the T20 Torx Screwdriver Bit to remove the screw attaching the earth wires to the line module. Remove the earth wires and washers, taking note of the assembly order. Lift &amp; remove the main board.</li> </ul>	 <p>Figure 12</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Remove the rear panel (Figure 13): Use the N1912-61807 special tooling kit to remove the asteners on the trigger connectors. Use the 9/32" Socket to remove the GPIB standoffs. Carefully pull the rear panel away from the main board.</li> </ul>	 <p>Figure 13</p>

## Reassembly Instructions

Instructions	Visual
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The reassembly process is simply the reverse of the disassembly process. However, there are various points to be aware of:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• USB/LAN connectors must rest on top of the rear panels' EMC spring fingers.</li> <li>• The position of the cable clamp depends on whether option 101 or 003 is fitted.</li> <li>• The main board connector from the PSU must be pushed firmly to fully engage it.</li> <li>• Take care not to trap any cables when fitting the top clamshell.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Analog recorder output connections (Figure 14): Ensure recorder 1 is plugged into the rear connector. Where applicable, recorder 2 is plugged into the connector nearer the front.</li> </ul>	 <p data-bbox="605 899 708 927"><b>Figure 14</b></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sensor flex connections (Figure 15):           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A – Front, Channel A (for option 101)</li> <li>B – Front, Channel B (for option 101)</li> <li>C – Rear, Channel A (for option 003)</li> <li>D – Rear, Channel B (for option 003)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	 <p data-bbox="605 1461 708 1489"><b>Figure 15</b></p>

Instructions	Visual
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sensor RF connections (Figure 16):                      E – Channel A(+), Black Cable                      F – Channel A(-), Black/White Cable                      G – Channel B(+), Black Cable                      H – Channel B(-), Black/White Cable</li> </ul> <p><b>Note:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Only connect E and F for N1911A</li> <li>• Connect E, F, G, H for N1912A</li> </ul>	 <p>Figure 16</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PSU screw locations (Figure 17):                      A – Attach PSU to clamshell (6 screws)                      B – Attach PSU cable guide (1 screw)                      C – Attach PSU safety cover (4 screws)</li> </ul>	 <p>Figure 17</p>

Instructions	Visual
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• PSU cable routing (Figure 18): Ensure the PSU cables are positioned such that the cable guide does not trap them or pinch them.</li></ul>	 <p data-bbox="606 835 706 864"><b>Figure 18</b></p>

## Disassembly vs Part Replacement

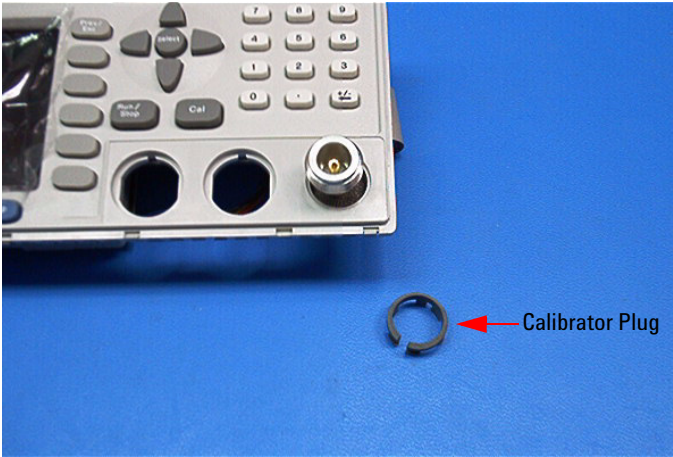
Disassembly of Replacement Part	Instructions
Main Board / Rear Panel Assembly / Bottom Clamshell	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Full strip-down required</li> </ul>
PSU / Top Clamshell	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Remove Handle, Bumpers, and Top Clamshell (including PSU)</li> <li>• PSU can now be removed from the Top Clamshell</li> </ul>
Fan Assembly	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Remove Handle, Bumpers, and Top Clamshell (including PSU)</li> <li>• Disconnect Fan Assembly from the Main Board</li> <li>• Fan Assembly can now be removed</li> </ul>
PPMC Assembly (Front Connectors Option)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Remove Handle, Bumpers, and Top Clamshell (including PSU)</li> <li>• Disconnect the Main Board Ribbon Cable from the PPMC</li> <li>• Disconnect the Service Connector Cable from the PPMC</li> <li>• Remove the 4 screws securing the PPMC to the Main Board</li> <li>• PPMC Assembly can now be removed</li> </ul>
PPMC Assembly (Rear Connectors Option)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Remove Handle, Bumpers, and Top Clamshell (including PSU)</li> <li>• Disconnect the Sensor Flex connection(s) from the Main Board</li> <li>• Disconnect the Main Board Ribbon Cable from the PPMC</li> <li>• Disconnect the Service Connector Cable from the PPMC</li> <li>• Remove the 4 screws securing the PPMC to the Main Board</li> <li>• PPMC Assembly can now be removed</li> </ul>
DAP Assembly, Channel A (Front Connectors Option)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Remove Handle, Bumpers, and Top Clamshell (including PSU)</li> <li>• Disconnect the Sensor RF connections from the Main Board</li> <li>• Disconnect the Sensor Flex connection(s) from the Main Board</li> <li>• Remove the 4 screws securing the DAP Assembly to the Main Board</li> <li>• DAP Assembly can now be removed</li> </ul>

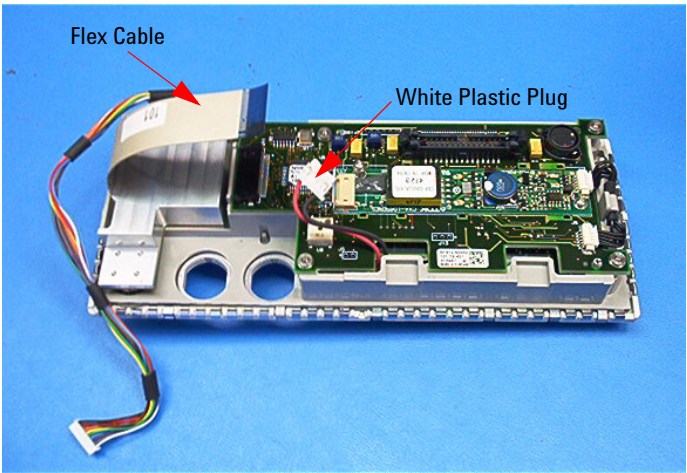
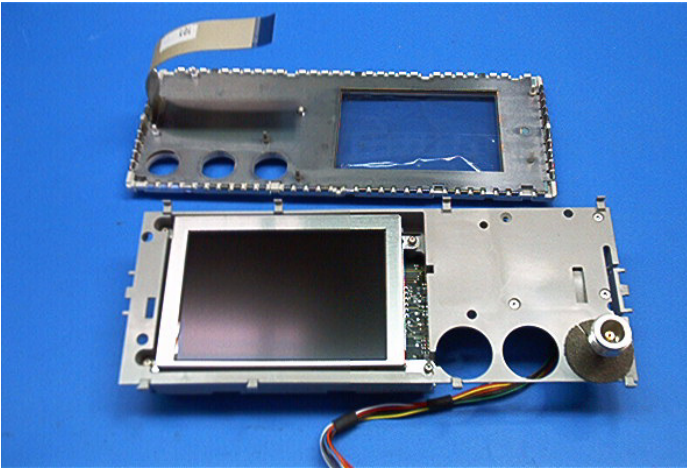


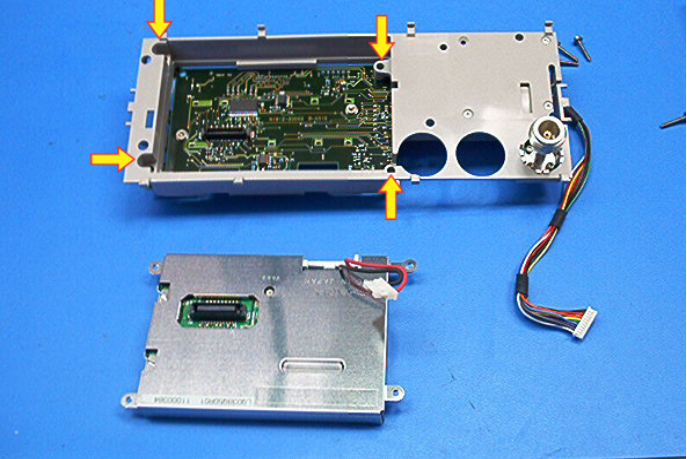
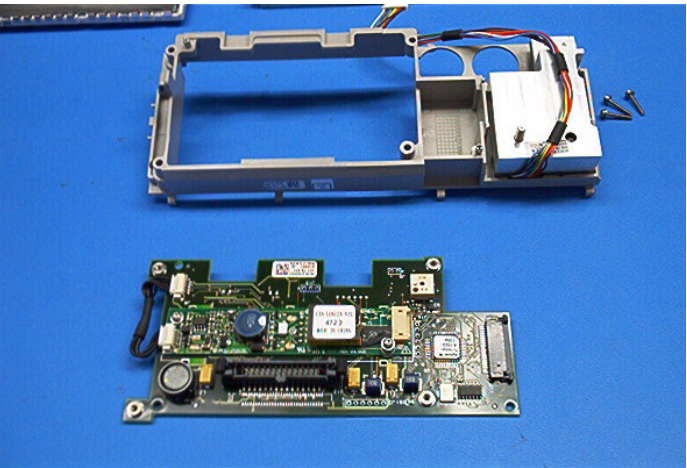
Disassembly of Replacement Part	Instructions
DAP Assembly, Channel A (Rear Connectors Option)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Remove Handle, Bumpers, and Top Clamshell (including PSU)</li> <li>• Disconnect the Sensor RF connections from the Main Board</li> <li>• Remove the 4 screws securing the DAP Assembly to the Main Board</li> <li>• DAP Assembly can now be removed</li> </ul>
DAP Assembly, Channel B	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Remove Handle, Bumpers, and Top Clamshell (including PSU)</li> <li>• Remove the 4 screws securing the DAP Assembly to the Main Board</li> <li>• DAP Assembly can now be removed</li> </ul>
Front Panel Assembly (Front Connectors Option)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Remove Handle, Bumpers, and Top Clamshell (including PSU)</li> <li>• Disconnect the Sensor RF connections from the Main Board</li> <li>• Disconnect the Sensor Flex connection(s) from the Main Board</li> <li>• Disconnect the Calibrator Assembly cable connection from the Main Board</li> <li>• Disconnect the EMI earth wires from the Calibrator Assembly</li> <li>• Disconnect Main Board ribbon cable from the Front Panel Assembly</li> <li>• Front Panel Assembly can now be removed</li> </ul>
Front Panel Assembly (Rear Connectors Option)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Remove Handle, Bumpers, and Top Clamshell (including PSU)</li> <li>• Disconnect Calibrator Semi-Rigid from the Rear Panel Assembly</li> <li>• Disconnect the Calibrator Assembly cable connection from the Main Board</li> <li>• Disconnect the EMI earth wires from the Calibrator Assembly</li> <li>• Disconnect Main Board ribbon cable from the Front Panel</li> <li>• Front Panel Assembly can now be removed</li> </ul>
Sensor Flex Assembly (Front Connectors Option)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• [Remove Front Panel Assembly as previously described]</li> <li>• Use the N1912-61807 special tooling kit to remove the Sensor Flex Assembly</li> </ul>

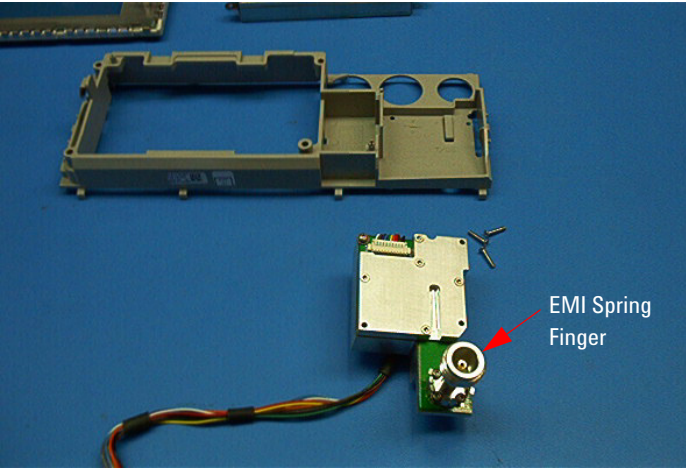
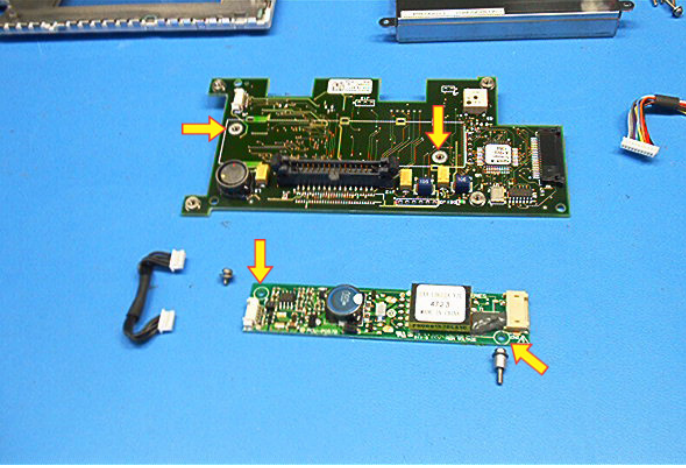
<b>Disassembly of Replacement Part</b>	<b>Instructions</b>
Sensor Flex Assembly (Rear Connectors Option)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Remove Handle and Front/ Rear Bumpers</li><li>• Remove Top Clamshell (including PSU)</li><li>• Disconnect the Sensor RF connections from the Main Board</li><li>• Disconnect the Sensor Flex connection from the Main Board</li><li>• Use the N1912-61807 special tooling kit to remove the Sensor Flex Assembly</li></ul>


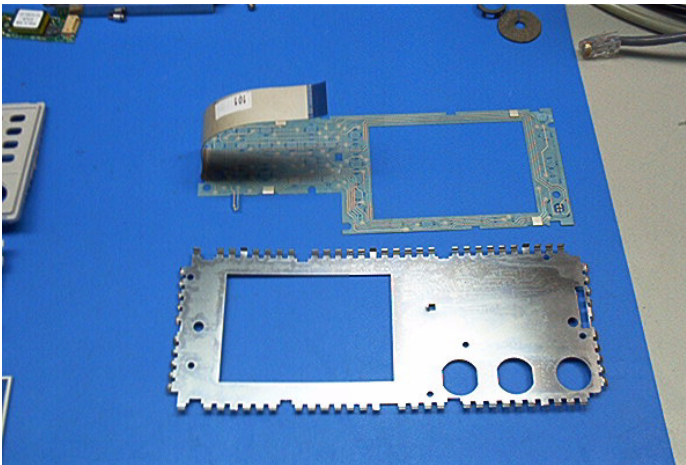
## Front Panel Disassembly Instructions

Instructions	Visual
<p><b>IMPORTANT NOTE:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The Front Panel Assembly should only be repaired in a clean and dust-free environment.</li><li>• Failure to do so may introduce contamination between the EMI Shielded Window and the Display.</li><li>• Also note that it may not be necessary to completely disassemble the Front Panel in order to repair or replace some of its parts. As such, this procedure should be tailored to suit the specific repair requirements.</li></ul>	
<p><b>Step 1:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Carefully lift and remove the Calibrator Plug [This step does not apply to units with ear-panel connectors] Use ODU socket to remove N1912- 61806 sensor flex assembly</li></ul>	 <p>The photograph shows the front panel of a power meter. The panel features a keypad with various function keys (Power, Hold, Stop, Cal, etc.) and a numeric keypad. Below the keypad are two large circular ports and a smaller circular port with a gold-colored contact. A small metal ring, identified as the Calibrator Plug, is shown on a blue surface next to the panel. A red arrow points from the text 'Calibrator Plug' to the ring.</p>

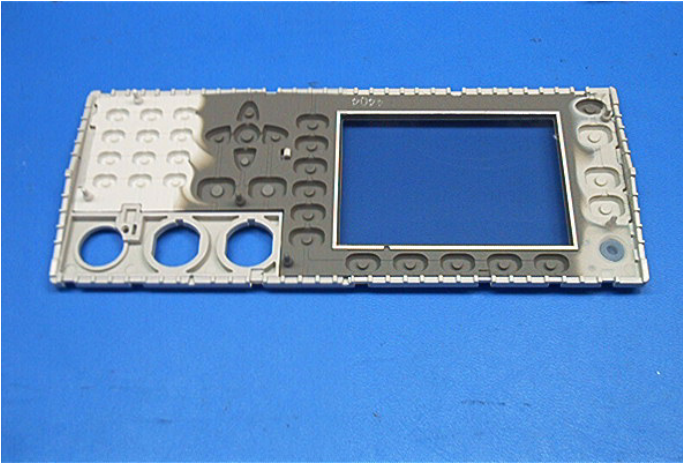
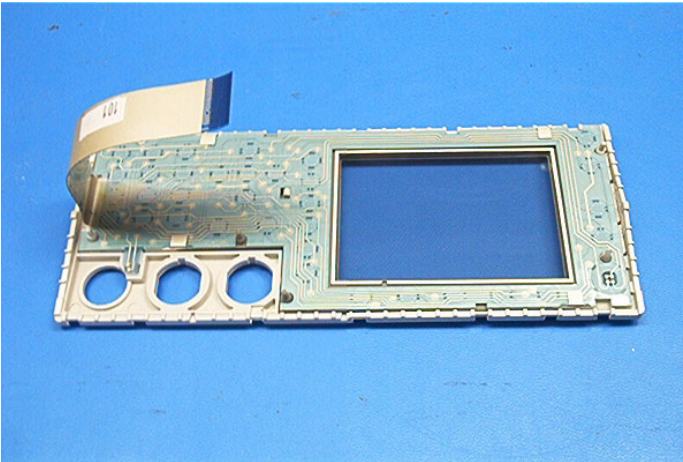
Instructions	Visual
<p><b>Step 2:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Release the tab holding the flex cable to the Display Interface Board, and then disconnect it</li> </ul> <p><b>Step 3:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Disconnect the white plastic plug from the Display Interface Board</li> </ul>	 <p>The image shows a green printed circuit board (PCB) with various components. A white flex cable is connected to the board. A white plastic plug is inserted into a connector on the board. Red arrows point to the flex cable and the white plastic plug. The board is set against a blue background.</p>
<p><b>Step 4:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Unlock the main plastic clip that holds the Front Panel Sub-Frame and Display Support Molding together (situated beside the Key Flex Circuit), and carefully pull them apart to separate them</li> </ul>	 <p>The image shows two metal frames separated. The top frame is the front panel sub-frame, and the bottom frame is the display support molding. The flex cable is still attached to the bottom frame. The frames are set against a blue background.</p>

Instructions	Visual
<p><b>Step 5:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Remove the 4 screws that attach the Display to the Display Support Molding, and then disconnect it from the Display Interface Board</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Step 6:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lift the Display Interface Board off of the plastic mounting lugs on the Display Support Molding to separate them from one another</li> </ul>	

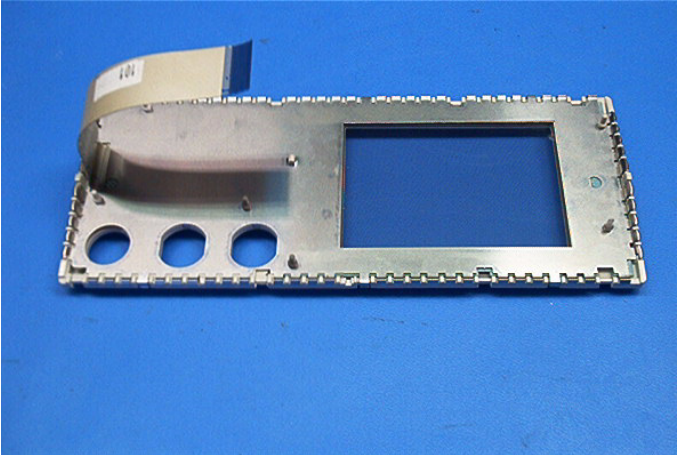
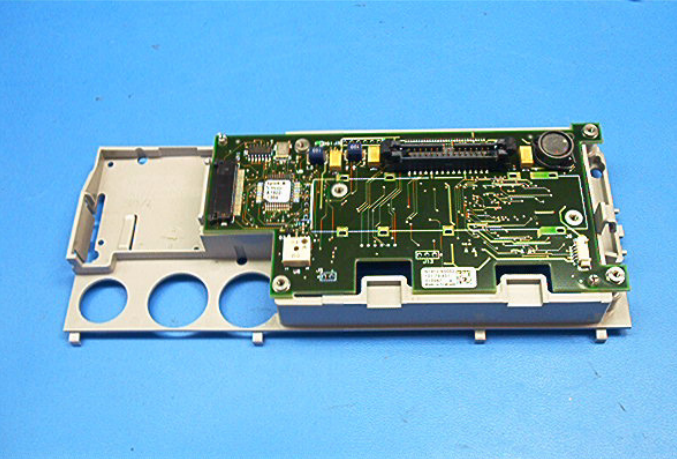
Instructions	Visual
<p><b>Step 7:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Remove the 3 screws that attach the Calibrator Assembly to the Display Support Molding, and separate them from one another</li> </ul> <p><b>Note:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Take care not to damage the EMI spring fingers on the Calibrator Assembly</li> </ul>	 <p>EMI Spring Finger</p>
<p><b>Step 8:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Disconnect the Backlight Cable Assembly from the Display Interface Board and Inverter Board</li> </ul> <p><b>Step 9:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Remove the 2 screws that attach the Display Interface Board to the Inverter Board, and separate them from one another</li> </ul>	

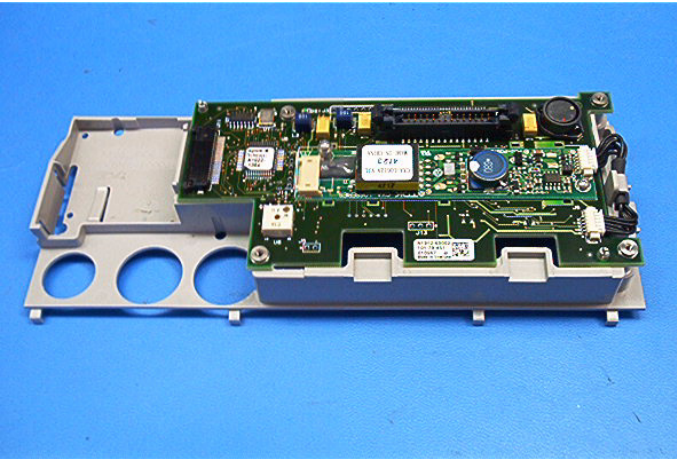
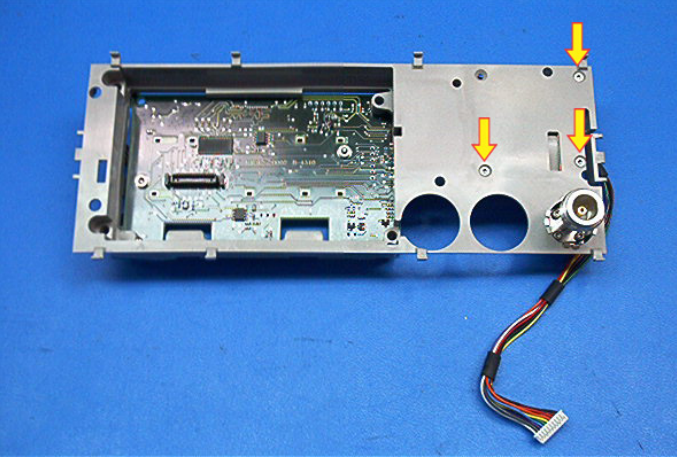
Instructions	Visual
<p><b>Step 10:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Release the metal tabs holding the EMI Screen to the Front Panel Sub-Frame, and separate them from one another</li></ul> <p><b>Step 11:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Disengage the rubber tabs that attach the Key Flex Circuit to the Keymat, and carefully lift it out</li></ul>	 The image shows two metal frames and a keymat on a blue surface. The top frame is a rectangular metal frame with a large square cutout on the left and a keypad area on the right. The bottom frame is a similar metal frame with a large square cutout on the left and a keypad area on the right. The keymat is a rectangular keypad with various buttons and a trackball, positioned to the right of the bottom frame. A small square piece of metal with a circular hole is also visible on the blue surface.
<p><b>Step 12:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Remove the EMI Shielded Window and the Keymat from the Front Panel Sub-Frame</li></ul>	 The image shows two metal frames on a blue surface. The top frame is a rectangular metal frame with a large square cutout on the left and a keypad area on the right. The bottom frame is a similar metal frame with a large square cutout on the left and a keypad area on the right. A flexible circuit board is attached to the top frame. The keymat is a rectangular keypad with various buttons and a trackball, positioned to the right of the bottom frame.

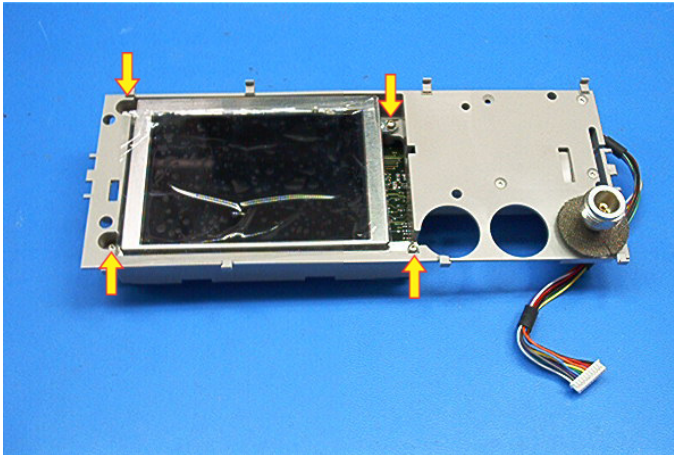
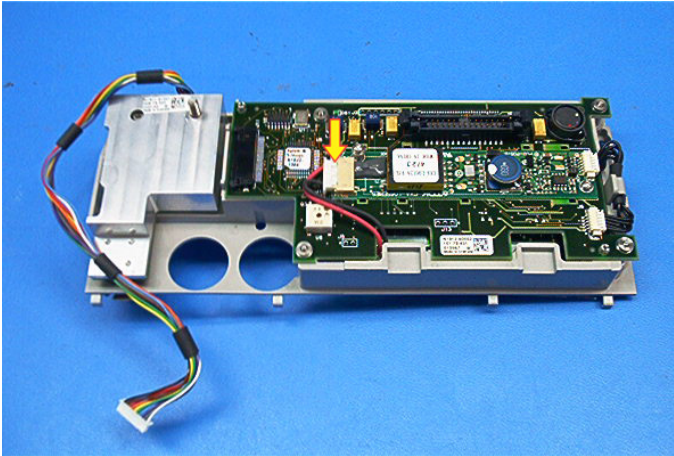
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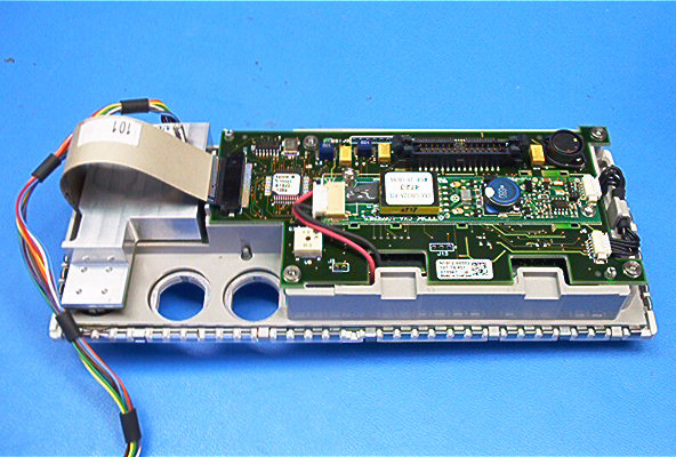
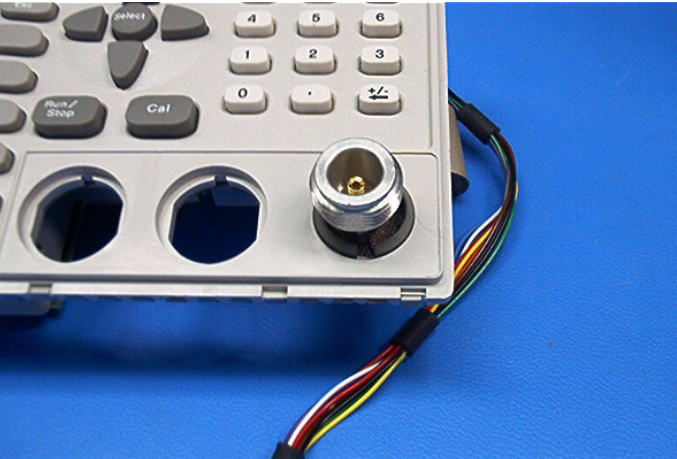
Instructions	Visual
<p><b>Step 1:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Insert the Keymat into the Front Panel Sub-Frame</li></ul> <p><b>Step 2:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Insert the EMI Shielded Window into the Keymat, ensuring that it is clean and free from fingerprints</li></ul>	 A photograph of a silver-colored metal front panel sub-frame. A black keymat is inserted into the frame, and a blue EMI shielded window is placed over the keymat's central area. The sub-frame has several circular cutouts and mounting points.
<p><b>Step 3:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Overlay the Key Flex Circuit onto the Keymat, ensuring that all of the rubber lugs are engaged to hold it securely</li></ul>	 A photograph of the front panel sub-frame assembly. A green printed circuit board (PCB) with a gold-colored flex circuit is overlaid on the keymat. The flex circuit is connected to the keymat's contacts. The sub-frame is shown from a top-down perspective.



Instructions	Visual
<p><b>Step 4:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Overlay the EMI Screen onto the Key Flex Circuit, ensuring that all of the metal tabs are engaged to hold it securely</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Step 5:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fit the Display Interface Board onto the plastic mounting lugs on the Display Support Molding</li> </ul>	

Instructions	Visual
<p><b>Step 6:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Attach the Inverter Board to the Display Interface Board using the 2 screws removed earlier</li> </ul> <p><b>Step 7:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Connect the Inverter Board to the Display Interface Board using the Backlight Cable Assembly</li> </ul> <p><b>Note:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The cable must be tucked under the plastic clip to prevent any fouling</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Step 8:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Attach the Calibrator Assembly to the Display Support Molding using the 3 screws removed earlier</li> </ul> <p><b>Step 9:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Carefully spread the EMI fingers outwards, ensuring they extend beyond the edges of the hole in which the Calibrator Assembly is fitted</li> </ul>	

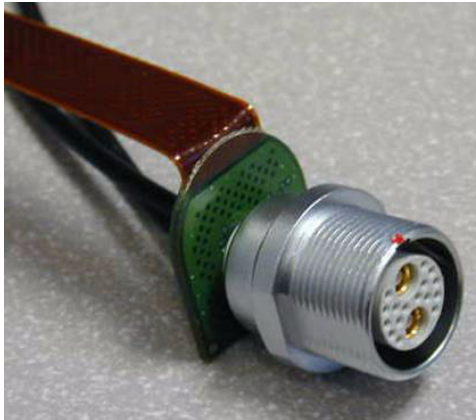
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<p><b>Step 10:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Fit the Split Washer to the Calibrator Assembly</li></ul> <p><b>Step 11:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Attach the Display to the Display Interface Board using the 4 screws removed earlier</li></ul>	
<p><b>Step 12:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Connect the white plastic plug to the Display Interface Board</li></ul>	

Instructions	Visual
<p><b>Step 13:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Attach the Front Panel Sub-Frame to the Display Support Moulding, ensuring that all plastic clips are engaged to hold it securely</li> </ul> <p><b>Step 14:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Connect the flex cable to the Display Interface Board, and then tighten the locking tab</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Step 15:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Re-fit the Calibrator Plug</li> </ul>	

## Additional Repair Notes

### Replacing A Sensor Flex Assembly:

- The Sensor Flex Assembly is supplied straight
- Create A Sharp Bend (Figure 19): The flex circuit must be bent at a right-angle where it meets the printed circuit board. It can only be bent after heat has been applied to it (i. e. using a hot-air gun, or a similar device)

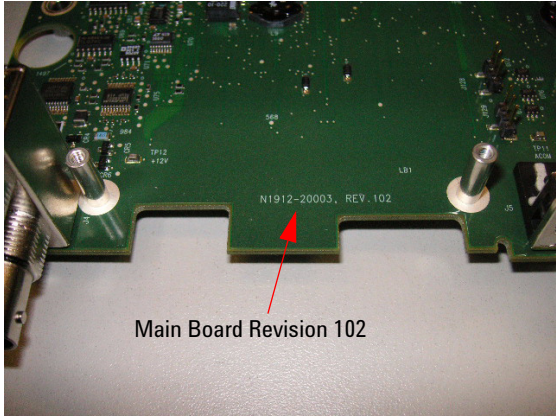
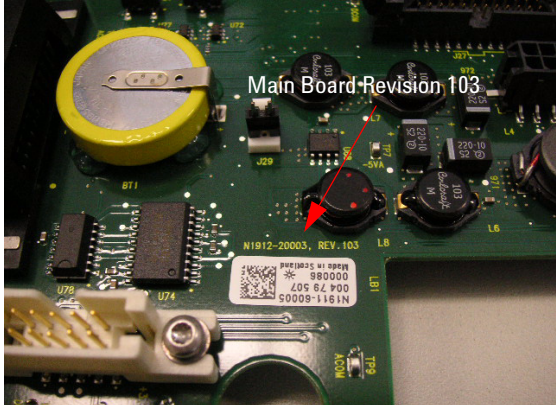


**Figure 19** Creating a sharp bend

#### NOTE

- Once this sharp bend has been created, the flex should not be bent at this point again; to do so may break the tracking within the flex.
- Route and connect the sensor flex assembly: once the sensor flex assembly has been attached to the power meter; it should be folded to match the route taken by the assembly being replaced. Heat may be used to assist the folding of the flex.

## Main Board vs. Rear Panel Assembly

Instructions	Visual
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Due to a difference in the connector positions for Main Board revision 102 and revision 103, there are TWO different rear panels</li> <li>• Revision 102 Main Boards are not available as spares – all spare Main Boards will be revision 103 (or newer)</li> <li>• When replacing a revision 102 Main Board, take note that the rear panel will need to be replaced</li> <li>• <a href="#">Figure 20</a> and <a href="#">Figure 21</a> show where to find the Main Board revision markings</li> </ul>	 <p data-bbox="596 852 694 881"><b>Figure 20</b></p>  <p data-bbox="596 1364 694 1394"><b>Figure 21</b></p>

## Replacing the PPMC Assembly

- The PPMC Assembly is pre-programmed with N1912A firmware
- Always perform a firmware upgrade to the instrument if the PPMC Assembly has been replaced

### NOTE

- Fitting a PPMC Assembly that has been pre-programmed with N1912A firmware to an N1911A Power Meter will generate errors; these errors will disappear once the firmware upgrade procedure has been carried out.

- Instrument Serial Number:

This can be stored in the PPMC Assembly via the command:

```
SERV: SNUM <CHARACTER DATA>
```


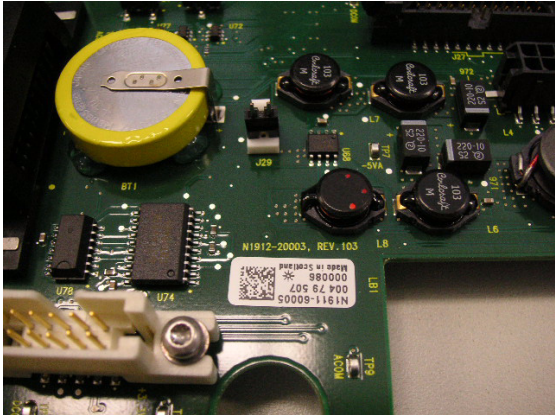
- Instrument Option(s):

This/these can be stored in the PPMC Assembly via the command:

```
SERV: OPT "< CHARACTER DATA>"
```

Refer to the *Programming Guide* for further details on the use of these commands.

## Replacing the Calibrator Semi-Rigid/Split Ferrite

Instructions	Visual
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Separate the two halves of the ferrite (Figure 22)</li> <li>• Position the ferrite such that its furthest edge is 120 mm (4 ¾") from the bend of the semi-rigid (Figure 23)</li> <li>• Hold the ferrite in place by applying a coating of silicone or silicone-rubber compound (e. g. RTV) along that 20 mm (¾") section of the semi-rigid</li> <li>• Join both halves of the ferrite, keeping the mating surfaces free of the silicone compound if possible</li> </ul>	 <p data-bbox="605 878 705 904"><b>Figure 22</b></p>  <p data-bbox="605 1413 705 1439"><b>Figure 23</b></p>





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## Introduction

### Contacting Agilent Technologies

This section details what to do if you have a problem with your power meter. If you have a problem with your power meter, first refer to the page titled [“Before Calling Agilent Technologies”](#). This section contains a checklist that helps identify some of the most common problems. If you wish to contact Agilent Technologies about any aspect of the power meter, from service problems to ordering information, refer to the page titled [“Agilent Sales and Service Offices”](#). If you wish to return the power meter to Agilent Technologies, refer to the section titled [“Returning Your Power Meter for Service”](#).

## Before Calling Agilent Technologies

Before calling Agilent Technologies or returning the power meter for service, please make the checks listed in [“Check the Basics”](#) on page 116. If your power meter is covered by a separate maintenance agreement, please be familiar with the terms.

Agilent Technologies offers several maintenance plans to service your power meter after warranty expiration. Call your Agilent Technologies Sales and Service Center for full details.

If the power meter becomes faulty and you wish to return the faulty instrument, follow the description on how to return the faulty instrument in [“Returning Your Power Meter for Service”](#) on page 119.

## Check the Basics

Problems can be solved by repeating what was being performed when the problem occurred. A few minutes spent in performing these simple checks may eliminate time spent waiting for instrument repair. Before calling Agilent Technologies or returning the power meter for service, please make the following checks:

- Check that the line socket has power.
- Check that the power meter is plugged into the proper ac power source.
- Check that the power meter is switched on.
- Check that the line fuse is in working condition.
- Check that the other equipment, cables, and connectors are connected properly and operating correctly.
- Check the equipment settings in the procedure that was being used when the problem occurred.
- Check that the test being performed and the expected results are within the specifications and capabilities of the power meter.
- Check the power meter display for error message.
- Check operation by performing the self tests.
- Check with a different power sensor.

## Instrument Serial Numbers

Agilent Technologies makes frequent improvements to its products to enhance their performance, usability and reliability. Agilent Technologies service personnel have access to complete records of design changes for each instrument. The information is based on the serial number and option designation of each power meter.

Whenever you contact Agilent Technologies about your power meter have a complete serial number available. This ensures you obtain the most complete and accurate service information. The serial number can be obtained by:

- Querying the power meter over a remote interface (via the \*IDN? Command).
- From the front panel (via the Service menu).
- From the serial number label.

The serial number label is attached to the rear of each Agilent Technologies instrument. This label has two instrument identification entries. The first provides the instruments serial number and the second provides the identification number for each option built into the instrument.

The serial number is divided into two parts: the prefix (two letters and the first four numbers), and the suffix (the last four numbers).

The prefix letters indicate the country of manufacture. This code is based on the ISO international country code standard, and is used to designate the specific country of manufacture for the individual product. The same product number could be manufactured in two different countries. In this case the individual product serial numbers would reflect different country of manufacture codes. The prefix also consists of four numbers. This is a code identifying the date of the last major design change.

The suffix indicates an alpha numeric code which is used to ensure unique identification of each product throughout Agilent Technologies.

## Agilent Sales and Service Offices

In any correspondence or telephone conversations, please refer to the power meter by its model number and full serial number. With this information, the Agilent representative can quickly determine whether your unit is still within its warranty period.

UNITED STATES	Agilent Technologies (tel) 1 800 829 4444
CANADA	Agilent Technologies Canada Inc., Test & Measurement (tel) 1 877 894 4414
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You can visit our website:	<a href="http://www.agilent.com/find/assist">www.agilent.com/find/assist</a>

## Returning Your Power Meter for Service

Use the information in this section if you need to return your power meter to Agilent Technologies.

### Packaging the power meter for shipment to Agilent Technologies for service

- Fill in a blue service tag (available at the end of most hardcopy *Agilent Service Guides*) and attach it to the power meter. Please be as specific as possible about the nature of the problem. Send a copy of any or all of the following information:
  - Any error messages that appeared on the power meter display.
  - Any information on the performance of the power meter.

#### CAUTION

Power meter damage can result from using packaging materials other than those specified. Never use styrene pellets in any shape as packaging materials. They do not adequately cushion the power meter or prevent it from shifting in the carton. Styrene pellets cause power meter damage by generating static electricity and by lodging in the rear panel.

- Use the original packaging materials or a strong shipping container that is made of double-walled, corrugated cardboard with 159 kg (350 lb) bursting strength. The carton must be both large enough and strong enough to accommodate the power meter and allow at least 3 to 4 inches on all sides of the power meter for packing material.
- Surround the power meter with at least 3 to 4 inches of packing material, or enough to prevent the power meter from moving in the carton. If packing foam is not available, the best alternative is SD- 240 Air Cap™ from Sealed Air Corporation (Commerce, CA 90001). Air Cap looks like a plastic sheet covered with 1- 1/4 inch air filled bubbles. Use the pink Air Cap to reduce static electricity. Wrap the power meter several times in the material to both protect the power meter and prevent it from moving in the carton.
- Seal the shipping container securely with strong nylon adhesive tape.
- Mark the shipping container “FRAGILE, HANDLE WITH CARE” to ensure careful handling.
- Retain copies of all shipping papers.

## **Useful Web Pages**

- Main Product Page  
[www.agilent.com/find/wideband\\_powermeters](http://www.agilent.com/find/wideband_powermeters)
- Product Manuals  
[www.agilent.com/find/pseriesmanuals](http://www.agilent.com/find/pseriesmanuals)
- Product Firmware  
[www.agilent.com/find/pseriesfirmware](http://www.agilent.com/find/pseriesfirmware)
- Performance Test & Calibration Software  
[www.calsw.tm.agilent.com](http://www.calsw.tm.agilent.com)
- Service Notes  
[www.literature.agilent.com/LitWeb/Admin/SNSelectForTM.cfm](http://www.literature.agilent.com/LitWeb/Admin/SNSelectForTM.cfm)



**www.agilent.com**

### **Contact us**

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(tel) 877 894 4414 (fax) 800 746 4866

China:

(tel) 800 810 0189 (fax) 800 820 2816

Europe:

(tel) 31 20 547 2111

Japan:

(tel) (81) 426 56 7832 (fax) (81) 426 56 7840

Korea:

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