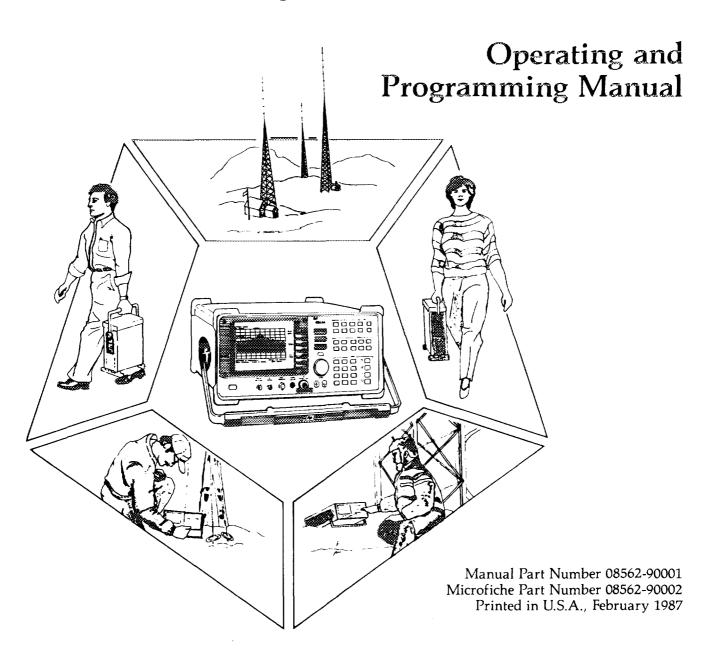


## HP 8562A/B High Performance Portable Spectrum Analyzer



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# HP 8562A/B DOCUMENTATION DESCRIPTION

## MANUALS SHIPPED WITH YOUR ANALYZER:

## Installation Manual

HP Part Number 08562-90007

- Tells you how to install the spectrum analyzer
- Tells you what to do in case of a failure

## Operating and Programming Manual

HP Part Number 08562-90001

- Tells you how to make measurements with your spectrum analyzer
- Tells you how to program your spectrum analyzer
- Describes analyzer features

## Pocket Operating Guide

HP Part Number 08562-90003

• An abbreviated version of the Operating and Programming Manual

### Quick Reference Guide

HP Part Number 08562-90006

• Provides you with a listing of all remote programming commands

## **OPTIONS:**

## Support Manual (Part of Option 915)\*

HP Part Number 08562-90009

• Describes troubleshooting and adjustments of the analyzer

<sup>\*</sup> Option 915, Service Documentation, consists of one copy each of the Support Manual, the Installation Manual, the Operating and Programming Manual, the Pocket Operating Guide, and the Quick Reference Guide.

# HOW TO USE THIS MANUAL

The HP 8562A/B Operating and Programming Manual contains detailed descriptions of all spectrum analyzer functions and remote operation commands, and provides instruction in remote operation. For instruction in manual operation and introductory remote operation, refer to the HP 8562A/B Pocket Operating Guide. The remote operation chapters in the Pocket Operating Guide prepare you for the more advanced topics discussed in the Operating and Programming Manual.

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# **CHAPTER 1**

## INSTRUMENT OVERVIEW

This chapter introduces the front- and rear-panel keys and connectors on the HP 8562A/B Spectrum Analyzer. Complete descriptions of each front-panel function appear in Chapters 2-5.

## THE FRONT PANEL

The following paragraphs briefly describe the groups of front-panel keys shown in Figure 1.1.

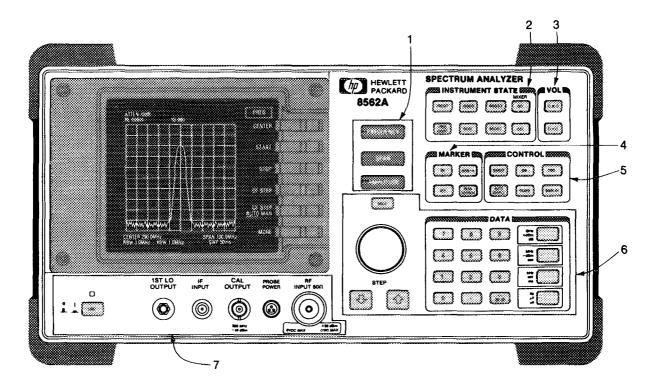


Fig. 1.1. HP 8562A/B front panel.

- 1. FREQUENCY, SPAN, and AMPLITUDE are the fundamental functions for most measurements.
- 2. INSTRUMENT STATE functions generally affect the state of the entire spectrum analyzer, not just of a single function.

- 3. VOL functions control the volume of the speaker in the spectrum analyzer. increases volume, decreases it.
- 4. MARKER functions, to describe a few, read out frequencies and amplitudes along the spectrum analyzer trace; allow you to make relative measurements; automatically locate the signal of highest amplitude on a trace; and tunes the analyzer to automatically track a signal.
- 5. CONTROL functions allow you to adjust the resolution and video bandwidths, the sweeptime, and the display, and to vary other functions that control spectrum analyzer measurement capabilities.
- 6. DATA keys, STEP keys, and the knob allow you to change the numeric value of an active function. Use the DATA keys to enter an exact value or to quickly move from one end of the frequency range to the other. The STEP keys vary a value in predefined increments or, for some functions, in increments that you choose. The knob allows you to "fine tune" most numeric values. The HOLD key freezes the active function and holds it at a set value until the function key is pressed again. HOLD also blanks the softkey menu.
- 7. The signal connections provide an RF input, active-probe power, a 300 MHz calibrator signal, a 310.7 MHz IF input, and a first LO output. These functions are described more fully in Table 1.1. The LINE button turns on the spectrum analyzer. The LED above indicates whether or not AC power is applied to the spectrum analyzer.

## CAUTION

The maximum input level to the RF input is +30 dBm with a minimum of 10 dB input attenuation. Maximum DC voltage to the RF input is 0 V. Exceeding either of these levels can damage the input attenuator and the input mixer.

CONNECTOR		FREQUENCY RANGE	AMPLITUDE/ VOLTAGE LIMITS	
(o)	RF INPUT	1 kHz - 22 GHz (up to XX GHz with external mixers)	0 Vdc Max +10 dBm Max	
0	PROBE POWER		+15V, -12V (150 mA max)	
<b>(</b>	CALIBRATOR OUTPUT	300 MHz	−10 d <b>Bm</b>	
(D)	IF INPUT	321.4 MHz	0 Vdc Max	
<b>(0</b> )	EO OUTPUT	3 GHz =6.81 GHz	+16 d <b>B</b> m	

Table 1.1. Front-panel connector data.

## Display Annotation

Figure 1.2 illustrates the display annotation.

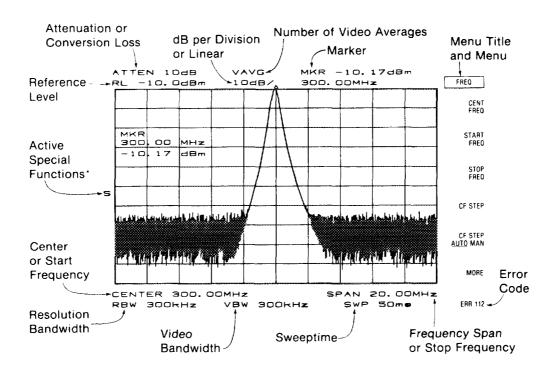


Fig. 1.2. Display annotation.

\*The following characters appear in a vertical line and indicate activated functions:

- T = Trigger Mode set to Line, Video, or External
- D = Detector Mode set to Sample, Negative, or Positive
- S = Single Sweep Active
- F = Frequency Offset <> 0 Hz
- X = External Frequency Reference Active
- R = Reference Level Offset < > 0 dB
- A = IF Adjust Turned Off
- K = Signal Track Active
- M = Trace Math On
- + = Positive External Mixer Bias On
- = Negative External Mixer Bias On

## THE REAR PANEL

The following paragraphs describe the functions available from the rear panel, as shown in Figure 1.3.

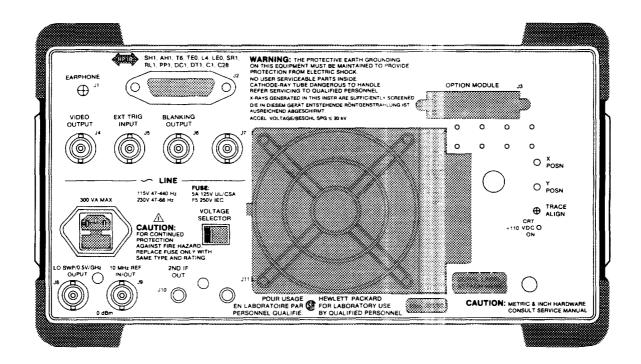


Fig. 1.3. HP 8562A/B rear panel.

## CAUTION

To prevent damage to the instrument, be sure to set the voltage selector to the appropriate value for your local line-voltage output. For more information, refer to the Installation and Support Manual.

The LINE input operates at nominally 115 V (47-440 Hz) or at nominally 230 V (47-66 Hz).

J1 provides a  $4\Omega$  impedance earphone jack.

J2 is the Hewlett-Packard Interface Bus (HP-IB) connector.

J3 allows you to connect optional modules, such as the HP 85629A Test and Adjustment Module.

J4 provides a detected video output that is proportional to the vertical deflection of the CRT trace. The output range is 0-1 V when terminated in  $50\Omega$ , and can be used when the display is in 10 dB/div or LINEAR mode.

J5 provides an external trigger input. The input signal range is 0-5 V (TTL). When the trigger is in external mode, the instrument sweep triggers on the rising, positive edge of the signal (about 1.5 V).

J6 provides a blanking output from 0-5 V (TTL) that is low (0 V) during spectrum analyzer sweeps. The output is high (5 V) when the instrument is relocking between bands in multi-band sweeps. Use this output for pen lift when plotting with non-digital plotters. This output is also useful for synchronizing instruments.

J8 provides a 0-10 V ramp corresponding to the sweep ramp that tunes the local oscillator or a sweeping DC output of 0.5 V/GHz from 0-22 GHz. The output can be selected from the softkeys  $0 \rightarrow 10V$  LO SWP and .5 V/GHz, respectively, which are under the menu.

J9 provides a 10 MHz, 0 dBm minimum, time-base reference signal. This connector can be switched to an input, in order to connect an external reference. An external reference must be 10 MHz at a minimum of 0 dBm. To select the external reference mode, use the softkey 10 MHZ INT EXT under the

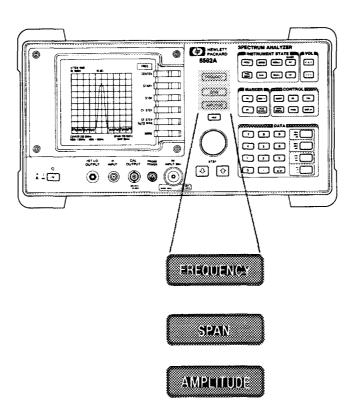
X POSN, Y POSN, and TRACE ALIGN allow you to align the spectrum analyzer CRT using a special CRT pattern. Refer to the softkey CRT ADJ PATTERN under the menu, or consult the Installation and Support Manual.

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# **CHAPTER 2**

# FREQUENCY, SPAN, AND AMPLITUDE FUNCTIONS

This chapter describes the functions available from THEOUTH, and AMPILLUDE.



**FREQUENCY** 

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SPAN

AMPLITUDE

accesses a menu of frequency-related functions, which are described below. also activates the center frequency function when the spectrum analyzer is in the center frequency/span mode. If the analyzer is in start frequency/stop frequency mode, the start frequency is activated.

**CENTER**activates the center frequency and sets the spectrum analyzer to the center frequency/span mode. CENTER can be adjusted using the DATA keys, the STEP keys, or the knob. If a selected center frequency is not compatible with the current span (e.g., when a sweep would cross over from the 1kHz-2.9 GHz range to the 2.75 GHz-22 GHz range), the span is adjusted to the nearest value that will accommodate the desired center frequency.

**START** activates the start frequency and sets the spectrum analyzer to the start frequency/stop frequency mode. START FREQ can be adjusted using the DATA keys, the STEP keys, or the knob. When adjusting START FREQ with other data controls, if the selected start frequency exceeds the stop frequency, the stop frequency increases to equal the start frequency.

STOP activates the stop frequency and sets the spectrum analyzer to the start frequency/stop frequency mode. STOP FREQ can be adjusted using the DATA keys, the STEP keys, or the knob. When adjusting STOP FREQ with other data controls, if the selected stop frequency is less than the start frequency, the start frequency decreases to equal the stop frequency.

adjust the center frequency step size. When this function is in coupled (AUTO) mode, pressing a STEP key yields a 1-division shift (10% of span) in the center frequency. For manual (MAN) mode, press either key to activate the step size. After entering a step size and changing the active function to CENTER FREQ, use the STEP keys to adjust the center frequency by the step size selected. This function is useful for quickly tuning to the harmonics of an input signal. For example, to tune to the harmonics of a 300 MHz signal, press CF STEP and enter 300 MHz. If the center frequency is at 300 MHz, pressing the STEP key increases the center frequency to 600 MHz, which is equal to the second harmonic. Pressing again increases the center frequency by another 300 MHz, to 900 MHz. CF STEP AUTO MAN indicates whether the step size is in a coupled (AUTO) or manual mode (MAN). When the step size is in manual mode, pressing CF STEP AUTO MAN returns the function to coupled mode.

MORE accesses additional, frequency-related functions, which are described below.

**FREQ** adds an offset to the displayed frequency values, including marker frequency values. It does not affect the frequency range of the sweep. Enter the value using the DATA keys, the STEP keys, or the knob. When this function is active, an "F" appears on the left edge of the display.

allows you to select the internal frequency reference (INT) or to supply your own external reference (EXT). An external reference must be 10 MHz  $\pm$ 100 Hz at a nominal amplitude of 0 dBm (limits are from -2 dBm to  $\pm$ 10 dBm). Connect the external reference to J9 on the rear panel.

 $\begin{array}{ll} \textbf{PREV} & \textbf{accesses the previous softkey menu.} \\ \textbf{MENU} & \end{array}$ 



FREQUENCY

SPAN

**AMPLITUDE** 

SPAN accesses the menu of span-related functions, which are described below.

#### NOTE

The low band of the spectrum analyzer ranges from 1 kHz to 2.9 GHz. The upper band ranges from 2.75 GHz to 22 GHz. The frequency span cannot be set to overlap both bands at the same time. For example, two sweeps are required to cover the range of 2.0 GHz to 3.5 GHz: a low band to sweep from 2.0 GHz to 2.9 GHz and an upper band to sweep from 2.9 GHz to 3.5 GHz.

SPAN activates the span width function and sets the spectrum analyzer to center frequency/span mode. The span can be changed using the data keys, the step keys, or the knob. The span can be set to 0 Hz using either the DATA keys or the ZERO SPAN softkey.

FULL sets spectrum analyzer to the center frequency/span mode and sets the span to the maximum span. The maximum span selected depends upon whether the center frequency is in low band or the upper band. The full span for low band is 2.9 GHz; for the upper band, the full span is 19.25 GHz.

**ZERO** sets the span to 0 Hz. This effectively allows an amplitude vs. time mode in which to view SPAN signals. This is especially useful for viewing modulation.

SPAN sets the spectrum analyzer to the previously selected span, allowing you to toggle between two settings. For example, you can toggle between zero span and a larger span to view modulation in both the frequency and time domain.

SWEEP TIME and

SWP TIME AUTO MAN adjust the sweep time of the spectrum analyzer. SWEEP TIME is normally a coupled function; that is, the analyzer selects an appropriate sweep time for the chosen span and bandwidth settings. If desired, the sweep time can be adjusted using the DATA keys, the STEP keys, or the knob. If the chosen sweep time is too fast for the measurement conditions, the message "MEAS UNCAL" appears on the display. To activate the sweep time function, press either softkey. A line under AUTO or MAN indicates whether the sweeptime is coupled (AUTO) or is in manual mode (MAN). If the sweep time is in manual mode, press SWP TIME AUTO MAN to return to the coupled mode.

## **AMPLITUDE**

FREQUENCY

SPAN

AMPUNUDE

activates the reference level function and accesses a menu of amplitude-related functions, which are described below.

REF LVL activates the reference level function. The reference level can be adjusted using the DATA keys, the STEP keys, or the knob. When the spectrum analyzer scale is in dB/div, the reference level is the top-most horizontal line on the graticule. For best measurement accuracy, place the peak of a signal of interest on the reference level line. (For more information on this, refer to the HP 8562A/B Pocket Operating Guide.) The spectrum analyzer input attenuator is coupled to the reference level and automatically adjusts to avoid compression of the input signal. The function MAX MXR LEVEL, which is described below, is closely related to the reference level.

The minimum reference level available varies with the frequency band and the amplitude scale, as shown in Table 2.1. When switching bands, the reference level may automatically increase if the current reference level is not available in the new band.

	MINIMUM REFERENCE LEVEL		
BAND	LOG SCALE	LINEAR SCALE	
1 kHz=2.9 GHz	120.0 dBm	2:2 <sub>#</sub> V	
2.75 GHz - 8.46 GHz	-120.0 dBm	2,Z,,V	
5.8 GHz - 13 GHz	-1150 dBm	۷.0 پ	
12.4 GHz - 19.7 GHz	-105.0 dBm	12.6 <sub>4</sub> V	
19.1 GHz - 22 GHz	100.0 dBm	22.4µV	

Table 2.1. Frequency bands and their minimum reference levels.

## ATTEN and ATTEN AUTO MAN

adjusts the spectrum analyzer input attenuator. The attenuator ranges from 0 dB to 70 dB in 10 dB increments. Input attenuation can be adjusted using the DATA keys, the STEP keys, or the knob; 0 dB attenuation can be selected using only the DATA keys. Attenuation is normally a coupled function and automatically adjusts to changes in the reference level. The reference level, however, generally does not change when the attenuation changes. The attenuator adjusts so that the maximum signal amplitude at the input mixer is -10 dBm or less. For example, if the reference level is 23 dBm, the attenuation is 40 dB, for an input of -17 dBm at the mixer (23 - 40 = -17). This prevents signal compression. Press either ATTEN or ATTEN AUTO MAN to adjust the input attenuator. A line under AUTO or MAN indicates whether the attenuator is coupled (AUTO) or in manual mode (MAN). When the input attenuator is in manual mode, pressing ATTEN AUTO MAN recouples the attenuator to the reference level.

## CAUTION

Maximum input signal amplitude is +30 dBm with at least 10 dB of input attenuation. Higher amplitude signals can result in damage to the input attenuator or to the input mixer.

LOG selects a 1, 2, 5, or 10 dB logarithmic amplitude scale. The default value is 10 dB/div. Any activated markers normally read out in dBm, and delta markers read the difference between the markers, in dB. If desired, it is possible to read other units while in a log-scale mode (see UNITS, below).

**LINEAR** selects a linear amplitude scale. Measurements using a linear scale are normally read in volts, but other units can be selected (see UNITS, below).

MORE accesses additional softkeys, which are described below.

REF LVL allows you to calibrate the reference level. This procedure is described in Chapter 2 of the CAL Pocket Operating Guide.

**REF LVL** introduces an offset to all amplitude readouts, (e.g., reference level and marker amplitude). The offset is in dB, regardless of the selected scale and units. The offset can be useful to account for gains or losses in accessories connected to the input of the analyzer. To enter an offset value use the DATA keys, the STEP keys, or the knob. When this function is active, an "R" appears on the left edge of the display.

MAX MXR selects the maximum signal amplitude seen at the input mixer. This value is always in dBm, regardless of the selected scale or units. MAX MIXER LEVEL is especially useful when distortion-free dynamic range is an important consideration.

The following procedure explains how to quickly check for signal compression. Increase the attenuation using the STEP key. If the signal peak shifts more than 1 dB, the signal is in compression. In this case, continue to increase the attenuation until the peak moves less than 1 dB between steps; then decrease the attenuation one step.

IF accesses a menu of adjustment functions, which are described below. ADJUST

IF ADJ ON OFF allows you to turn the automatic IF adjustment ON or OFF. This function is normally ON. When IF ADJ is ON, various parameters in the IF are adjusted during the retrace time of the sweep. Several minutes and several sweeps may be required to complete a cycle of all the adjustments. This function automatically deactivates when the analyzer is set to zero span; it may be reactivated, if desired. It is automatically reactivated when the analyzer is set to a span greater than zero.

When IF ADJ ON OFF is off, an "A" appears in the active functions column along the left side of the screen graticule.

ADJ CURR IF STATE

executes a routine that adjusts only the current state of the IF system.

FULL IF ADJ executes a complete adjustment of the IF system. Once activated, the soft-key changes to STOP ADJUST which, if pressed, stops the IF adjustment and returns the analyzer to its original state.

PREV MENU accesses the previous menu of softkeys.

NUTC

accesses additional amplitude functions, which are described below.

UNITS AUTO MAN selects amplitude units automatically (AUTO) or manually (MAN). When in AUTO mode, the default units are dBm (in log scale) or VOLTS (in linear scale). The following units are available from this menu:

dBm (absolute decibel above 1 milliwatt) dB $\mu$ V (absolute decibel above 1 microvolt) dBmV (absolute decibel above 1 millivolt) VOLTS WATTS

PREV

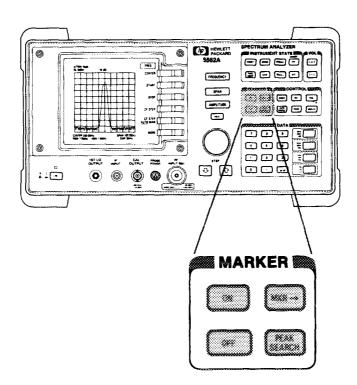
accesses the previous menu of softkeys.

**MENU** 

## **CHAPTER 3**

## MARKER FUNCTIONS

This chapter describes the functions available from the MARKER section of the front panel.



## MARKER PRIORITY

Markers can be activated on Trace A or Trace B. However, the current state of the two traces determines on which trace the markers will appear. The trace states are listed below, in order of highest marker priority to lowest priority:

Trace A in Clear-Write Mode Trace B in Clear-Write Mode Trace A in Max-Hold Mode Trace B in Max-Hold Mode Trace A in View Mode Trace B in View Mode

## **ON**



accesses a menu of softkeys, which are described below. On also activates the current marker mode (such as MARKER DELTA); if no mode is active, activates MARKER NORMAL.

## MARKER NORMAL

activates a single marker and places it at the center of the trace. If one marker is already on, no operation takes place. If two markers are on (i.e., as in MARKER DELTA mode), MARKER NORMAL deletes the anchor marker and makes the active one the new, single marker. The marker reads the amplitude and the frequency (or the relative time, when the frequency span equals 0 Hz), and displays these values in the active function block and in the upper-right corner of the display. To move the marker, use either the knob, the STEP keys, or the DATA keys.

The marker reads data from the currently active trace. (An active trace is one in either the clear-write or max-hold mode; this may be either Trace A or Trace B.) If both traces are active, or if both traces are in view mode, the marker reads data from Trace A.

## MARKER DELTA

reads the difference in amplitude and frequency (or time, when the frequency span equals 0 Hz) between two markers, and displays these values in the active function block and in the upper-right corner of the display. If a single marker is already on, MARKER DELTA places both an anchor marker and an active (moveable) marker at the position of the original, single marker. To move the active marker, use either the knob, the STEP keys, or the DATA keys. If two markers are already on, pressing MARKER DELTA once makes it the active function. However, if MARKER DELTA is already the active function, pressing MARKER DELTA places the anchor marker at the same position as the active marker. The delta amplitude is displayed in dB, or as a ratio when linear units are selected. You can toggle between MARKER DELTA and MARKER 1/DELTA without changing the status of the markers.

## MARKER 1/DELTA

reads the reciprocal of the frequency or time difference between two markers, and displays this value in the active function block and in the upper-right corner of the display. If two markers are on and the frequency span is greater than 0 Hz, MARKER 1/DELTA reads the difference between the two markers in time. If two markers are on and the frequency span is equal to 0 Hz, MARKER 1/DELTA reads the difference in frequency. You can toggle between MARKER 1/DELTA and MARKER DELTA without changing the status of the markers.

An example of how to use MARKER 1/DELTA appears in Appendix E of the Pocket Operating Guide.

## MKRNOISE ON OFF

turns the marker noise function ON or OFF. This function normalizes the equivalent amplitude of the measured noise to a 1 Hz bandwidth. To do this, it sets the detector mode to sample and displays the average of 32 data points (sixteen data points on one side of the marker, the marker itself, and fifteen data points on the other side). This average is corrected for effects

of the log amplifier, bandwidth shape factor, RF detector, and resolution bandwidth. If two markers are on, MKRNOISE ON OFF works on the active marker and not on the anchor marker. Turning off the marker also turns off MKRNOISE ON OFF.

## SIG TRK ON OFF

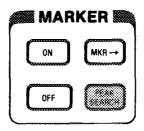
turns the signal tracking function ON or OFF. The signal track function keeps the active marker on the signal where it has been initially placed and sets the center frequency to its value. This is done after every sweep, thus maintaining the marker signal at the center frequency. This allows you to quickly "zoom in" from a wide span to a narrow one without losing the signal from the screen. Or, use SIG TRK to keep a slowly-drifting signal centered on the display. When this function is active, a "K" appears on the left edge of the display.

## **OFF**



turns off all markers, including frequency counter and demodulation markers.

## PEAK SEARCH



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## MARKER→

sets the center frequency equal to the marker frequency. This function provides a quick way to move a signal to the center of the screen. The active function is not affected. When the frequency span is equal to 0 Hz, this key accesses the MARKER NORMAL function.

## MARKER DELTA

reads the difference in amplitude and frequency (or time, when the frequency span equals 0 Hz) between two markers, and displays these values in the active function block and in the upper-right corner of the display. If a single marker is already on, MARKER DELTA places both an anchor marker and an active (moveable) marker at the position of the original, single marker. To move the active marker, use either the knob, the STEP keys, or the DATA keys. If two markers are already on, pressing MARKER DELTA once makes it the active function. However, if MARKER DELTA is already on, pressing MARKER DELTA places the anchor marker at the same position as the active marker. The delta amplitude is displayed in dB, or as a ratio when linear units are selected.

### NEXT PEAK

moves the active marker to the next highest trace point relative to the current marker position. The next peak must meet the current peak excursion and peak threshold criteria in order to be considered a peak. This function finds successively lower peaks when the key is pressed repeatedly.

## MKRNOISE ON OFF

turns the marker noise function ON or OFF. This function normalizes the equivalent amplitude of the measured noise to a 1 Hz bandwidth. To do this, it sets the detector mode to sample and displays the average of 32 data points (sixteen data points on one side of the marker, the marker itself, and fifteen data points on the other side). This average is corrected for effects of the log amplifier, bandwidth shape factor, RF detector, and resolution bandwidth. If two markers are on, MKRNOISE ON OFF works on the active marker and not on the anchor marker. Turning off the marker also turns off MKRNOISE ON OFF.

## SIG TRK ON OFF

turns the signal tracking function ON or OFF. The signal track function keeps the active marker on the signal where it has been initially placed and sets the center frequency to its value. This is done after every sweep, thus maintaining the marker signal at the center frequency. This allows you to quickly "zoom in" from a wide span to a parrow one without losing the signal from the screen. Or, use SIG TRK to keep a slowly-drifting signal centered on the display. When this function is active, a "K" appears on the left edge of the display.

MORE accesses additional marker functions, which are described below.

## NEXT PK RIGHT

finds the next peak to the right of the current marker position. The trace peak must meet the current peak excursion and peak threshold criteria in order to be considered a peak.

## NEXT PK LEFT

finds the next peak to the left of the current marker position. The trace peak must meet the current peak excursion and peak threshold criteria in order to be considered a peak.

## PEAK EXCURSN

defines what constitutes a peak on a trace. To enter a value, use the DATA keys, STEP keys, or the knob and terminate the entry with (B). The value specifies the amount that a trace must increase monotonically and then decrease monotonically in order to be a peak. For example, if the peak excursion is 5 dB, the amplitude of the sides of a candidate peak must descend at least 5 dB in order to be considered a peak (see Figure 3.1). The excursion values range from 0.1 to 99 dB. The default value is 6 dB.

Any portion of a peak that falls below the peak threshold is also used to satisfy the peak excursion criteria. For example, when the peak excursion is equal to 6 dB, a peak that is equal to 3 dB above the peak threshold will be found if the peak extends an additional 3 dB or more below the threshold.

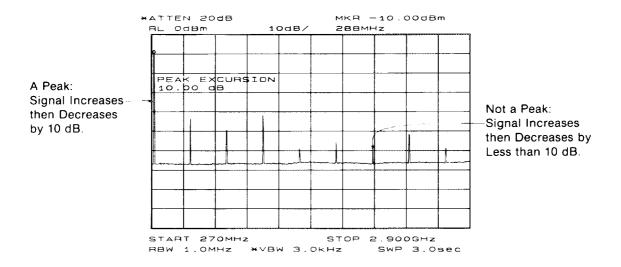


Fig. 3.1. PEAK EXCURSN defines the peaks on a trace.

## PEAK THRESHLD

sets the minimum amplitude level from which a peak on the trace can be detected. This function places a dashed line across the graticule to denote the selected level. To enter a value, use the DATA keys, the STEP keys, or the knob and terminate the entry with 4000 or 4000. The default is -120 dBm.

Any portion of a peak that falls below the peak threshold is also used to satisfy the peak excursion criteria. For example, when the peak excursion is equal to 6 dB, a peak that is equal to 3 dB above the threshold will be found if the peak extends an additional 3 dB or more below the threshold.

**PREV** displays the previous softkey menu. **MENU** 



activates MARKER NORMAL.

### MARKER NORMAL

activates a single marker and places it at the center of the trace. If one marker is already on, no operation takes place. If two markers are on (i.e., as in MARKER DELTA mode), MARKER NORMAL deletes the anchor marker and makes the active one the new, single marker. The marker reads the amplitude and the frequency (or the relative time, when the frequency span equals 0 Hz), and displays these values in the active function block and in the upper-right corner of the display. To move the marker, use either the knob, the STEP keys, or the DATA keys.

The marker reads data from the currently active trace. (An active trace is one in either the clear-write or max hold mode; this may be either Trace A or Trace B.) If both traces are active, or if both traces are in view mode, the marker reads data from Trace A.

## MARKER DELTA

reads the difference in amplitude and frequency (or time, when the frequency span equals 0 Hz) between two markers, and displays these values in the active function block and in the upper-right corner of the display. If a single marker is already on, MARKER DELTA places both an anchor marker and an active (moveable) marker at the position of the original, single marker. To move the active marker, use either the knob, the STEP keys, or the DATA keys. If two markers are already on, pressing MARKER DELTA once makes it the active function. However, if MARKER DELTA is already on, pressing MARKER DELTA places the anchor marker at the same position as the active marker. The delta amplitude is displayed in dB, or as a ratio when linear units are selected.

PEAK SEARCH places a marker on the highest point on a trace. The frequency and amplitude of the marker are displayed in the upper-right corner of the screen; PEAK SEARCH does not alter the active function. In most cases, PEAK SEARCH does not find the LO feedthrough as a peak.

When one marker is active and the frequency span is greater than 0 Hz, the following softkeys complete the menu.

MARKER→ sets the amplitude reference level equal to the amplitude of the marker. MARKER → REF LVL LVL does not alter the active function.

MARKER→ sets the center frequency equal to the frequency of the marker. MARKER → CF does not alter the active function.

MARKER→ sets the center frequency step-size equal to the marker frequency. MARKER → CF STEP does not alter the active function.

When two markers are on and the frequency span is greater than 0 Hz, the following softkeys complete the menu.

MKRΔ→ sets the start frequency equal to the frequency of the left marker and sets the stop frequency span equal to the frequency of the right marker. This does not change the active funtion.

MKR $\Delta \rightarrow$  sets the center frequency equal to the difference in frequency between the two markers. CF MKR $\Delta \rightarrow$  CF does not change the active function.

MKR $\Delta \rightarrow$  sets the center frequency step-size equal to the difference in frequency between the two mar-CF STEP does not change the active function.

When one marker is on and the frequency span equals 0 Hz, the following softkey completes the menu.

MARKER→ sets the reference equal to the amplitude of the marker. MARKER→ REF LVL does not change REF LVL the active function.

When two markers are on and the frequency span equals 0 Hz, the following softkeys complete the menu.

- MKR1/ $\Delta \rightarrow$  sets the center frequency equal to the frequency corresponding to the time period designated by the two markers. MKR1/ $\Delta \rightarrow$  CF does not change the active function.
- MKR1/ $\Delta \rightarrow$  sets the center frequency step size equal to the frequency corresponding to the time period designated by the two markers. MKR1/ $\Delta \rightarrow$  CF STEP does not change the active function.

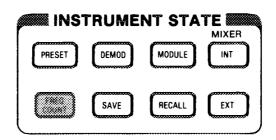
PRESET sets the spectrum analyzer to a known, predefined state, shown in Table 4.1. PRESET does not affect the spectrum analyzer HP-IB address, the contents of any data or trace registers, stored preselector data or whether the state and trace registers are locked (SAVELOCK). PRESET also accesses a menu of functions, which are described below.

FUNCTION	STATE			
FREQ MODE		CENTER-SPAN	The state of the s	
CENTER FREQ		12.38 GHz (HP 856	2A); 1.45 GH	tz (HP 8562B)
SPAN		19.25 GHz (HP 856	2A); 1.45 GH	tz (HP 8562B)
CF STEP		1.93 GHz, AUTO		
FREQ OFFSET		0 MHz, OFF		
10 MHz REF		INTERNAL		
REFERENCE LEVEL		0 dBm		
INPUT ATTENUATION		10 dB, AUTO		
MAX MIXER LEVEL		-10 dBm		
REF LEVEL OFFSET		0 dBm, OFF		
VERTICAL SCALE		10 dB/DIV.		
UNITS		dBm, AUTO		
AUTO IF ADJUST		ON		
DETECTOR		NORMAL		
RESOLUTION BW		1 MHz, AUTO		
VIDEO BW		1 MHz, AUTO		
VBW/RBW RATIO		1		
RBW/SPAN RATIO		.011		
VIDEO AVERAGE		100, OFF		
SWEEP TIME		400 ms, AUTO		
TRIGGER MODE	cc	INTINUOUS		
TRIGGER SOURCE		FREE-RUN		
VIDEO TRIG LEVEL	ĺ	0 dBm		
SWEEP OUTPUT	1	0-10V LO-SWE	EP RAMP	
MARKER MODE		OFF	Et HANNE	
NOISE MARKER		OFF		
SIGNAL TRACK	Į.	OFF		
PEAK THRESHOLD		-120 dBm		
PEAK EXCURSION		6 dB		
FREQUENCY COUNTER		OFF		
FREQUENCY COUNTER RESOLUTION		10 kHz		
TRACE A	CI	EAR-WRITE		
TRACE B	0.	BLANK		
TRACE-DATA		FORMAT P		
A-B->A	1.5.55555.555	OFF		
A-B+DISPLAYLINE->A		OFF		
DISPLAY LINE		-		
		0 dBm, OFF 90 dBm, OFF		
THRESHOLD GRATICULE		ON		
· · · · · <del>- · · · -</del>	1	ON		
ANNOTATION	ł	CLEAR		
FREQUENCY DISPLAY OFF	FM OFF			
DEMODULATION	PM OFF	AM OFF		
DEMODULATION TIME	}	1 sec		
SQUELCH	1	OFF		
SQUELCH LEVEL		-120 dBm		
AGC		OFF		
VOLUME	ļ	0		
SIGNAL IDENTIFICATION	1	OFF		
MIXER		INT		
EXT MIXER LO HARMONIC		6		
MIXER CONV LOSS	ļ	30.0 dBm		
BAND LOCK	1	OFF		
EXT MIXER BIAS				

Table 4.1. State of instrument after PRESET is executed.

RECALL PWR ON	sets the instrument state to the same state that occurred when was switched on. This state must be saved initially under the key.
LAST STATE	recalls the instrument state that existed previous to pressing ( or turning off the power.
REALIGN LO & IF	activates the automatic local oscillator (LO) and intermediate frequency (IF) alignment routines. These are the same routines that occur when is switched on. When this function is active, the annotation ALIGN LO & IF changes to STOP REALIGN, to allow you to stop the routine before it is finished. If STOP REALIGN is activated, the accuracy of measurements made by the instrument may not meet published specifications.
HP-IB ADDRESS	displays the current HP-IB address in the active function block. To change the address, use the DATA keys (and terminate the entry with (and terminate with (and termi

## FREQ COUNT



This country activates the frequency counter and displays its results in the upper-right corner of the screen. This replaces any current marker readout in that area. If MARKER NORMAL or MARKER DELTA is already active, which is already active, uses that marker mode to read the frequency or the difference in frequency between two markers, respectively. If no marker mode is active, pressing automatically activates MARKER NORMAL. The counter will only count signals that are displayed on the screen. All signal-counting is done during the retrace time of the sweep. uses the same marker priority as described in Chapter 3.

FREQUERIES also accesses a menu of additional counter functions, which are described below.

COUNTER allows you to activate (ON) or deactivate (OFF) the counter mode. The counted value appears in the upper-right corner of the display.

COUNTER adjusts the resolution of the frequency-count measurement. The resolution ranges from 10 Hz to 1 MHz in decade increments. The default value is 10 kHz.

## MARKER NORMAL

activates a single marker and places it at the center of the trace. If one marker is already on, no operation takes place. If two markers are on (i.e., as in MARKER DELTA mode), MARKER NORMAL deletes the anchor marker and makes the active one the new, single marker. The marker reads the amplitude and the frequency (or the relative time, when the frequency span equals 0 Hz), and displays these values in the active function block and in the upper-right corner of the display. To move the marker, use either the knob, the STEP keys, or the DATA keys.

The marker reads data from the currently active trace. (An active trace is one in either the clear-write or max-hold mode; this may be either Trace A or Trace B.) If both traces are active, or if both traces are in view mode, the marker reads data from Trace A.

# DELTA

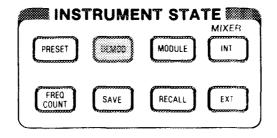
MARKER reads the difference in amplitude and frequency (or time, when the frequency span equals 0 Hz) between two markers, and displays these values in the active function block and in the upper-right corner of the display. If a single marker is already on, MARKER DELTA places both an anchor marker and an active (moveable) marker at the position of the original, single marker. To move the active marker, use either the knob, the STEP keys, or the DATA keys. If two markers are already on, pressing MARKER DELTA once makes it the active function However, if MARKER DELTA is already the active function, pressing MARKER DELTA places the anchor marker at the same position as the active marker. The delta amplitude is displayed in dB, or as a ratio when linear units are selected.

**NEXT** moves the active marker to the next highest trace point relative to the current marker posi-PEAK tion. This function finds successively lower peaks when the key is pressed repeatedly.

## **PEAK SEARCH**

places a marker on the highest point on a trace. The frequency and amplitude of the marker are displayed in the upper-right corner of the screen; PEAK SEARCH does not alter the active function.

### DEMODULATION



DEMOD accesses a menu of demodulation functions, which are described below. An example of how to perform demodulation appears in Chapter 2 of the Pocket Operating Guide.

## AM DEMOD ON OFF

turns AM demodulation ON or OFF. If no marker is active and the frequency span is greater than 0 Hz, pressing AM DEMOD ON OFF automatically places a marker at the center of the trace and demodulates the signal at that marker position. Activating AM demodulation turns off FM demodulation, if it is on. When the frequency span is greater than 0 Hz, a 10 kHz resolution bandwidth is used during demodulation, regardless of the bandwidth annotated on the screen. When the span is equal to 0 Hz, the displayed bandwidth is used. In either case, the video bandwidth is not applied to the demodulation.

## **FM DEMOD** ON OFF

turns FM demodulation ON or OFF. If no marker is active and the frequency span is greater than 0 Hz, pressing FM DEMOD ON OFF automatically places a marker at the center of the trace and demodulates the frequency at that marker position. Turning FM demodulation on turns off AM demodulation, if it is active. When the frequency span is greater than 0 Hz, a 100 kHz bandwidth is used during the demodulation, regardless of the bandwidth annotated on the screen. When the span is equal to 0 Hz, the displayed bandwidth is used. In either case, the video bandwith is not applied to the demodulation.

When one marker is on and the frequency span is greater than 0 Hz, the following softkey appears on the menu.

## MARKER NORMAL

activates a single marker and places it at the center of the trace. If one marker is already on, no operation takes place. If two markers are on (i.e., as in MARKER DELTA mode), MARKER NORMAL deletes the anchor marker and makes the active one the new, single marker. The marker reads the amplitude and the frequency (or the relative time, when the frequency span equals 0 Hz), and displays these values in the active function block and in the upper-right corner of the display. To move the marker, use either the knob, the STEP keys, or the DATA kevs.

The marker reads data from the currently active trace. (An active trace is one in either the clear-write or max-hold mode; this may be either Trace A or Trace B.) If both traces are active, or if both traces are in view mode, the marker reads data from Trace A.

When two markers are on and the frequency span is greater than 0 Hz, the following softkey appears on the menu.

# DELTA

MARKER reads the difference in amplitude and frequency (or time, when the frequency span equals 0 Hz) between two markers, and displays these values in the active function block and in the upper-right corner of the display. If a single marker is already on, MARKER DELTA places both an anchor marker and an active (moveable) marker at the position of the original, single marker. To move the active marker, use either the knob, the STEP keys, or the DATA keys. If two markers are already on, pressing MARKER DELTA once makes it the active function. When MARKER DELTA is already the active function, pressing MARKER DELTA places the anchor marker at the same position as the active marker. The delta amplitude is displayed in dB, or as a ratio when linear units are selected.

When the frequency span equals 0 Hz, the following softkey appears on the menu.

activates the center frequency. To adjust the center frequency, use the DATA keys, the STEP CENTER FREQ keys, or the knob.

The following softkeys complete the menu.

PEAK places a marker on the highest point on a trace. The frequency and amplitude of the marker SEARCH are displayed in the upper-right corner of the screen; PEAK SEARCH does not alter the active function.

NEXT moves the active marker to the next highest trace point relative to the current marker posi-PEAK tion. This function finds successively lower peaks when the key is pressed repeatedly.

MORE accesses a menu of additional demodulation functions.

DEMOD adjusts the duration of demodulation between successive sweeps when the span is greater than 0 Hz. The time ranges from 0.1 seconds to 60 seconds; the default value is 1 second. When the frequency span equals 0 Hz, demodulation is continuous.

VOLUME adjusts the volume of the demodulated signal. Use ((e)) or ((e)) (located in the upper-right corner of the front panel) to lower or raise the volume, respectively. The volume can also be changed using the DATA keys, the STEP keys, or the knob. The volume level is displayed in the active function block. This level is a unitless value in which 0 equals no volume and 15 equals maximum volume.

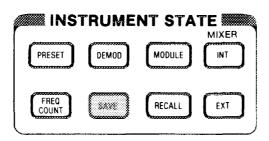
squelch adjust the squelch level. The value is displayed in the active function block, in dBm. The squelch level is also indicated by a dashed line across the display. A marker must be active and above the squelch line for demodulation to occur when squelch is on; in zero span, squelch is inactive.

ON OFF

AGC switches the automatic gain control (AGC) ON or OFF. The AGC keeps the volume relatively constant during AM demodulation. AGC is available only during AM demodulation and when the frequency span is greater than 0 Hz.

**PREV** displays the previous menu of softkeys. **MENU** 

## SAVE



accesses a menu of softkeys that allow you to save instrument state data and trace data. These functions are described below.

displays a menu of registers in which the current instrument state can be stored. Registers O-4 appear on the display, as well as the softkey NEXT STATES. Press NEXT STATES to access registers 5-9 and the softkey PREV STATES. PREV STATES displays the previous menu of registers. To store current instrument data in a desired register, press the softkey next to the register number, or enter the number using the DATA keys. Terminate the entry with any units key (Hz), kHz, etc.).

If a stored state has a title, the first sixteen characters of the title are used as the softkey annotation for that register. The register annotation appears in two rows of eight characters each. For example, if the data stored in register 0 has the title, "Harmonic Test," the annotation "STATE 0" is replaced with "Harmonic Test."

STATE saves the current instrument state in the power-on register. The spectrum analyzer will then be set to this state whenever is switched on. The same state can be retrieved with RECALL PWR ON (available from the RECALL PWR ON).

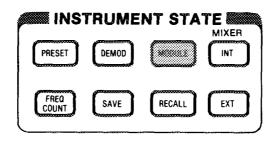
displays a menu of registers in which the current contents of Trace A can be stored. Registers 0-4 appear on the display, as well as the softkey MORE. Press MORE to view registers 5-7 and the softkey PREV MENU (for returning to the previous menu). To store current Trace A data in a desired register, press the softkey next to the register number, or enter the number using the DATA keys. Terminate the entry with any units key ( ), etc). Like SAVE STATE, SAVE TRACE A registers are annotated with a label derived from the display title.

displays a menu of registers in which the current contents of Trace B can be stored. Registers 0-4 appear on the display, as well as the softkey MORE. Press MORE to view registers 5-7 and the softkey PREV MENU (for returning to the previous menu). To store the data, press the softkey next to the desired register number, or enter the number using the DATA keys. Terminate the entry with any units ( ), ( ), etc). Like SAVE STATE, SAVE TRACE B registers are annotated with a label derived from the display title.

SAVELOCK prevents storing any new data in the state or trace registers. When SAVELOCK is ON, the registers are "locked"; the data in them cannot be erased or overwritten, although the data can be recalled. To "unlock" the registers and store new data, switch SAVELOCK to OFF.

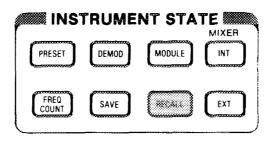
SAVE (HP 8562A only) saves the current preselector-peak data in a user data table. This does not affect the preselector data that is set at the factory, which is in a factory data table. To recall the saved data, use the RECALL PRSEL PK softkey listed under . More information on preselector data tables appears under the internal mixing key .

## **MODULE**



MODULE gives access to additional functions when a module (such as the HP 85629A Test and Adjustment Module) is connected to the spectrum analyzer.

## RECALL



MECALL accesses a menu of softkeys that allow you to recall stored instrument-state data and trace data. The softkeys are described below.

### RECALL STATE

displays a menu of registers from which the stored instrument states can be recalled and displayed on the spectrum analyzer screen. Registers 0-4 appear on the display, as well as the softkey NEXT STATES. Press NEXT STATES to view registers 5-9 and the softkey PREV STATES (for returning to the previous menu). To recall the data, press the softkey next to the desired register number, or enter the number using the DATA keys. Terminate the entry with any units ([HZ], [KHZ]), etc.).

If a stored state has a title, the first sixteen characters of the title are used as the softkey annotation for that register. The register annotation appears in two rows of eight characters each. For example, if the data stored in register 0 has the title, "Harmonic Test," the annotation "STATE 0" is replaced with "Harmonic Test."

#### RECALL TO TRA

displays a menu of registers from which trace data can be recalled and placed in Trace A. Registers 0-4 appear on the display, as well as the softkey MORE. Press MORE to view registers 5-7 and the softkey PREV MENU (for returning to the previous menu). To recall the data, press the softkey next to the desired register number, or enter the number using the DATA keys. Terminate the entry with any units (TRZ), (KHZ), etc). Like RECALL STATE, RECALL TO TRA registers are annotated with a label derived from the display title.

## RECALL TO TRB

displays a menu of registers from which trace data can be recalled and placed in Trace B. Registers 0-4 appear in the display, as well as the softkey MORE. Press MORE to view registers 5-7 and the softkey PREV MENU (for returning to the previous menu). To recall the data, press the softkey next to the desired register number, or enter the number using the DATA keys. Terminate the entry with any units ( KHZ ), etc). Like RECALL STATE, RECALL TO TRB registers are annotated with a label derived from the display title.

MORE accesses additional softkeys, which are described below.

## RECALL ERRORS

displays the last error that has occurred. Use the STEP keys to cycle through accumulated errors. A list of HP-IB remote-operation error codes appears in Appendix B. For additional error information, refer to the Installation and Support Manual.

**Hint:** If you are using an external frequency reference and generating errors, be sure your reference meets the requirements specified in Chapter 1.

FREQ DIAGNOSE displays a menu of diagnostic functions, which are described below.

LO FREQ displays the first local oscillator frequency corresponding to the current start frequency. In multiband sweeps, the frequency displayed corresponds to the band being swept when the key was pressed.

SAMPLER displays the sampling oscillator frequency corresponding to the current start frequency. In multiband sweeps, the frequency displayed corresponds to the band being swept when the key was pressed.

SAMPLER displays the sampler harmonic number corresponding to the current start frequency. In multiband sweeps, the frequency displayed corresponds to the band being swept when the key was pressed.

MAIN displays the main-roller oscillator frequency corresponding to the current start frequency. In multiband sweeps, the frequency displayed corresponds to the band being swept when the key was pressed.

OFFSET displays the offset-roller oscillator frequency corresponding to the current start frequency. In multiband sweeps, the frequency displayed corresponds to the band being swept when the key was pressed.

TRANSFER displays the transfer-roller oscillator frequency corresponding to the current start frequency. In multiband sweeps, the frequency displayed corresponds to the band being swept when the key was pressed.

CRT ADJ PATTERN displays a fixed pattern of lines and characters on the screen, each of which is used in setting the various adjustments in display hardware (such as vertical gain, blanking, etc.). Three of these adjustments — X POSN, Y POSN, and TRACE ALIGN — are available from the rear panel. Use the stencil provided with the instrument and these three adjustments to align the display. Place the stencil on the screen and line up the display to match the stencil. Refer to Figure 4.1. When this function is active, the softkey annotation changes to EXIT. Press EXIT to remove the pattern. For other display adjustments, refer to the Installation and Support Manual.

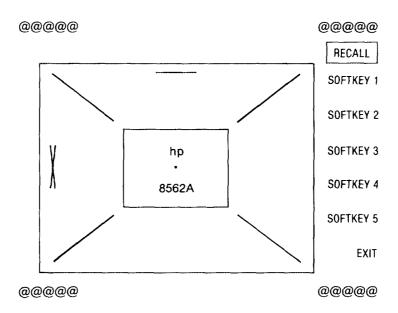


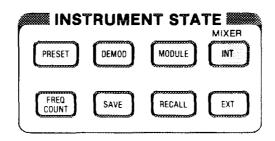
Fig. 4.1. CRT alignment pattern. X POSN moves the display left and right; Y POSN moves the display up and down. TRACE ALIGN rotates the display.

ELAPSED	displays the cumulative operating time of the spectrum analyzer. The value, which is expressed
TIME	in hours, appears in the active function block.
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**FACTORY** (HP 8562A only) restores the preselector-peaking data that is set at the factory and makes this data the current preselector data. This data is stored in the factory data table and cannot be changed.

RECALL (HP 8562A only) recalls the preselector data that is stored by the user in the user data table. PRSEL PK
This data can be saved using the softkey SAVE PRSEL PK, found under the More information on preselector data tables appears under the internal mixing key (INT).

## INTERNAL MIXING



accesses a menu of functions that employ the internal input mixer in the spectrum analyzer. These functions are described below.

## PRESELECTOR PEAKING

The HP 8562A has three tables of preselector data. These tables are described below.

Current Data Table: This table contains the data used to tune the preselector. The data is obtained from either the user data table or the factory data table. You can modify the data in the current table using the PRESEL MAN ADJ or the PRESEL AUTO PK functions. To save the data, use the SAVE PRSEL PK function listed under . If the current data is not saved, it is lost when the instrument is preset or turned off.

Factory Data Table: This is the default data table. This data is set at the factory and cannot be changed. This data is sent to the current data table when Phissal is pressed. The data in this table is sufficient for virtually all applications, since this is the table that allows the HP 8562A to meet its published specifications.

User Data Table: The data in this table is stored in non-volatile memory and is placed in the current data table when it is recalled using the RECALL PRSEL PK softkey under RECALL.

MAN ADJ

(HP 8562A only) adjusts the preselector tracking. Place a marker on a desired signal on a trace, then press PRESEL MAN ADJ. The current preselector tracking number, which is displayed in the active function block, can be changed using the DATA keys, the STEP keys, or the knob. The value ranges from 0 to 128. If no marker is active, pressing PRESEL MAN ADJ also executes a marker peak search. Executing the function affects data in the current data table (which may be data from either the user or the factory data tables). To save this data, use the SAVE PRES PK softkey found under

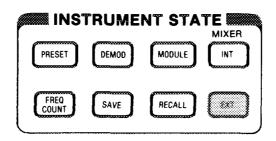
PRESEL AUTO PK automatically peaks the preselector on a desired signal on a trace. Set the trace to clear-write mode, place a marker on the desired point, then press PRESEL AUTO PEAK. The peaking routine zooms to zero span, peaks the preselector tracking, then returns to the original position. To read the new preselector peaking number, press PRESEL MAN ADJ.

SIG ID AT MKR activates a signal identification function that employs the harmonic search method for locating the correct mixer response. Place a marker on the desired signal, then activate SIG ID AT MARKER. The frequency of the correct response and the L.O. harmonic mixing number appear in the active function block. Should this not be a valid signal, no values appear in the active function block.

SIG ID sets the center frequency to a correct mixer response obtained from the softkey SIG ID AT → CF MKR. This function is available when the center frequency is less than 22 GHz. Use this function only after executing SIG ID AT MKR.

SIG ID ON OFF switches the manual signal identification function ON and OFF. When ON, this function employs the frequency shift method of identifying signals. Displayed signals are shifted horizontally and vertically on alternate sweeps. The correct signal is shifted horizontally by less than 80 kHz. To ensure accuracy, limit the frequency span to less than 20 MHz.

## **EXTERNAL MIXING**



accesses a menu of functions that allow you to extend the HP 8562A/B frequency range using external mixers. These functions are described below. For additional information on external mixing, refer to Appendix F in the Pocket Operating Guide.

allows you to select a commonly-used frequency band above 18 GHz. These bands are shown in Table 4.2. Use the STEP keys or the knob to select a desired frequency band; the selected band appears in the active function block. Activating FULL BAND also activates the harmonic lock function, which is described below.

LOCK HARMONIC and LOCK ON OFF displays the current harmonic number. A harmonic number refers to the local oscillator harmonic that is used to sweep a specific frequency band, are shown in Table 4.2. When LOCK HARMONIC is ON, only center frequencies and spans that fall within the frequency band of the current harmonic may be entered. When FULL SPAN under span is limited to the frequency band of the selected harmonic.

When LOCK HARMONIC is OFF, more than one harmonic can be used to sweep across a desired span. For example, with HARMONIC LOCK OFF, sweep a span from 26.5 GHz to 60 GHz. In this case, the spectrum analyzer will automatically sweep first using 8- and then using 10-. When FULL SPAN is active and LOCK HARMONIC is OFF, the entire range of external mixing appears on the display.

FREQUENCY BAND	FREQUENCY RANGE (GHz)	MIXING HARMONIC	CONVERSION LOSS
	18.0 - 26.8	(	90 08
A	26.5 ~ 40.0	8-	30 aB
0	33.0 - 50.0	10 -	30 d8
	40.0 - 60.0	10-	30 dB
Y	50.0 + 75.0	14	30.08
E	60.0 - 90.0	16-	30 dB
W	75.0 - 110.0	18-	30 a8
F	90.0 - 140.0	28	20 d8
D	110.0 ~ 170.0	30-	30 aB
G	140.0 - 220.0	36 -	30 <b>aB</b>
	170.0 - 260.0	44	30 dB
J.	220.0 - 325.0	54 -	30 dB

Table 4.2. Mixing harmonics for frequencies above 18 GHz.

# AMPTD CORRECT

displays a menu of functions that set conversion losses and flatness data.

## AVERAGE CNV LOSS

displays the mean conversion loss for the current harmonic and allows you to enter new conversion loss data. In a full frequency band (such as K band), the mean conversion loss is defined as the minimum loss plus the maximum loss for that band divided by two. To change the maximum and minimum values, use the CNV LOSS VS FREQ softkey. Any change to the average conversion loss also affects the flatness data, which is described below.

The default conversion loss value for each band is 30 dB.

CNV LOSS VS FREQ displays the stored conversion loss for a specific frequency in the current band. This allows amplitude correction to be entered to compensate for changes in conversion loss with frequency. To enter a new value, use the DATA keys. To change the displayed frequency, use the STEP keys. Any changes to the data also affect the mean conversion loss stored under AVERAGE CNV LOSS. Table 4.3 shows the number of flatness points for each band and the default flatness values. To view the correction, connect a 310.7 MHz signal of a known amplitude to the IF input and set the analyzer to sweep the associated band.

FREQUENCY BAND	FREQUENCY RANGE (GHz)	NUMBER OF FLATNESS POINTS	POINT SPACING	CONVERSION LOSS
X	180-265		2 GHz	90.49
Ä	26.5 - 40.0		2 GHz	30 dB
0	33.0 - 90.0		3 GHz	30 d <b>9</b>
U	40,0 = 60.0	6	4 GHz	30 dB
٧	50.0 - 75.0	6	5 GHz	30.48
E	60,0 - 90,0	7	5 GHz	30 dB
W	78.0 - 110.0	8	5 GHz	30.68
F	90.0 - 140.0	8	10 GHz	30.48
D	110.0 - 170.0	7	10 GHz	30.48
G	140.0 - 220.0	9	10 GHz	30 dB
Y	170.0 - 280.0	7	15 GHz	30 dB
a a	220.0 - 325.0	8	15 GHz	30.68

Table 4.3. Flatness points and conversion losses for frequencies above 18 GHz.

**PREV** displays the previous menu of softkeys. **MENU** 

SIGNAL displays a menu of signal identification functions, which are described below. IDENT

SIG ID AT MKR activates a signal identification function for locating the correct mixer response. Place a marker on the desired signal, then activate SIG ID AT MARKER. The frequency of the signal and the L.O. harmonic mixing number appear in the active function block. If the function cannot identify the signal, "NOT FOUND" is displayed in the active function block.

SIG ID sets the center frequency to the frequency obtained from the softkey SIG → CF ID AT MKR. This function is available when the center frequency is less than 22 GHz. Use this function only after executing SIG ID AT MKR.

### SIG ID ON OFF

switches the manual signal identification function ON and OFF. When ON, this function employs a frequency shift method of identifying signals. Displayed signals are shifted horizontally and vertically on alternate sweeps. The correct signal is shifted horizontally by less than 80 kHz. To ensure accuracy, limit the frequency span to less than 20 MHz.

### MARKER NORMAL

activates a single marker and places it at the center of the trace. If one marker is already on, no operation takes place. If two markers are on (i.e., as in MARKER DELTA mode), MARKER NORMAL deletes the anchor marker and makes the active one the new, single marker. The marker reads the amplitude and the frequency (or the relative time, when the frequency span equals 0 Hz), and displays these values in the active function block and in the upper-right corner of the display. To move the marker, use either the knob, the STEP keys, or the DATA keys.

The marker reads data from the currently active trace. (An active trace is one in either the clear-write or max-hold mode; this may be either Trace A or Trace B.) If both traces are active, or if both traces are in view mode, the marker reads data from Trace A.

# PEAK SEARCH

places a marker on the highest point on a trace. The frequency and amplitude of the marker are displayed in the upper-right corner of the screen; PEAK SEARCH does not alter the active function.

### NEXT PEAK

moves the active marker to the next highest trace point relative to the current marker position. This function finds successively lower peaks when the key is pressed repeatedly.

BIAS displays a menu of functions that allow you to select external-mixer bias. The bias is provided on the center conducter of the IF input connector on the front panel. These functions are described below.

# WARNING

The open-circuit bias voltage can be as great as  $\pm$  3.5 V through a source resistance of 300 $\Omega$ . Such voltage may appear when recalling an instrument state in which an active bias has been stored.

#### **NOTE**

The bias value that appears on the spectrum analyzer display is expressed in terms of short-circuit current (i.e., the amount of current that would flow if the IF line were shorted to ground). The actual amount of current flowing into the mixer will be less.

BIAS turns off the external-mixer bias. OFF

POSITIVE selects positive mixer bias for an external mixer. This value, which can be entered using the DATA keys, the STEP keys, or the knob, appears in the active function block and is expressed in milliamps. When the bias is greater

than 0 mA, a "+" appears on the left edge of the display.

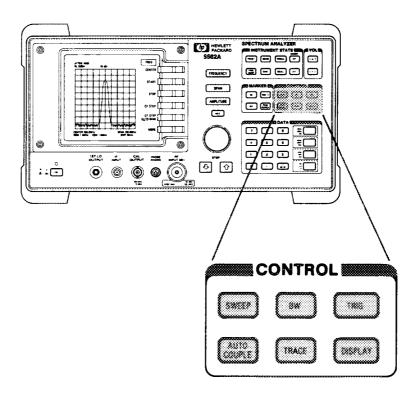
NEGATIVE selects negative mixer bias for an external mixer. This value, which can be entered using the DATA keys, the STEP keys, or the knob, appears in the active function block and is expressed in milliamps. When the bias is less than 0 mA, a "—" appears on the left edge of the display.

**PREV** displays the previous menu of softkeys. **MENU** 

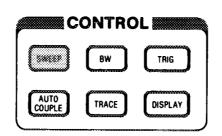
# **CHAPTER 5**

# **CONTROL FUNCTIONS**

This chapter describes the functions available from the CONTROL section of the front panel.



# **SWEEP**



SWEEP accesses a menu of sweep-related functions, which are described below. SWEEP also activates the sweep-time function.

CONT activates the continuous-sweep mode. CONT is underlined, to indicate that it is the current sweep mode. Press CONT to restart the sweep at the next trigger.

SINGLE activates the single-sweep mode. SINGLE is underlined, to indicate that it is the current sweep mode. Press SINGLE to restart the sweep at the next trigger. When this function is active, an "S" appears on the left edge of the display.

adjust the sweep time of the spectrum analyzer. Press either key to activate this function. To change the sweep time, use the DATA keys, the STEP keys, or the knob. A line under AUTO or MAN indicates whether the sweep time is coupled (AUTO) or is in manual mode (MAN). When the sweep time is in manual mode, pressing SWP TIME AUTO MAN returns the sweep time to coupled mode.

REAR PNL displays a menu of functions that provide access to certain signals via a rear-panel output.

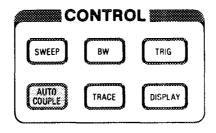
OUTPUT These functions are described below.

0→10V provides a 0-10 V ramp out of J8. This ramp corresponds to the sweep ramp that tunes the first local oscillator (LO). In multiband sweeps, one ramp is provided for each frequency band.

.5V/GHz provides a DC ramp out of J8. The ramp is a frequency-analog voltage corresponding to the tuned frequency of the analyzer. The voltage is 0.5 V per GHz, from 0 Hz to 22 GHz.

**PREV** displays the previous menu of softkeys. **MENU** 

# **AUTO COUPLE**



AUTO COUPLE accesses a menu of coupled-mode functions, which are described below.

ALL sets the video bandwidth, the resolution bandwidth, the input attenuator, the sweep time, and the center frequency step-size to coupled mode. The spectrum analyzer chooses appropriate values for these functions depending on the selected frequency and span (or start and stop frequencies). These values are set according to the coupled ratios stored under the soft-keys VBW:RBW or RBW:SPAN; if no ratios are stored, default ratios are used instead.

VBW:RBW

displays the current coupling ratio between the video bandwidth and the resolution bandwidth. The ratio is displayed in the active function block, and it is used when the two bandwidths are in coupled mode. The ratio ranges from 0.003 to 3, in a 1, 3, 10 sequence. The default value is 1.

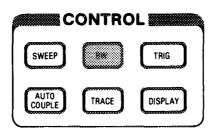
RBW:SPAN

displays the current coupling ratio between the resolution bandwidth and the frequency span. The ratio is displayed in the active function block, and it is used when the two functions are in coupled mode. The ratio ranges from 0.002 to 0.10, in a 1, 2, 5 sequence. The default ratio is 0.011.

MAX MXR LEVEL selects the maximum signal amplitude seen at the input mixer. This value is always in dBm, regardless of the selected scale or amplitude units. MAX MIXER LEVEL is useful when distortion-free dynamic range is an important consideration.

The following procedure explains how to quickly check for signal compression. Increase the attenuation using the STEP key. If the signal peak shifts more than 1 dB, the signal is in compression. In this case, continue to increase the attenuation until the peak moves less than 1 dB between steps; then decrease the attenuation one step.

## **BANDWIDTH**



accesses a menu of bandwidth functions, which are described below. also activates the resolution bandwidth function.

RES BW and RES BW AUTO MAN adjust the resolution bandwidth. The bandwidth, which appears in the active function block, ranges from 100 Hz to 1 MHz in a 1, 3, 10 sequence. The value can be changed using the DATA keys, the STEP keys, or the knob. Press either key to activate the resolution bandwidth. A line under AUTO or MAN indicates whether the bandwidth is coupled (AUTO) or is in manual mode (MAN). When the resolution bandwidth is in manual mode, pressing RES BW AUTO MAN returns the bandwidth to coupled mode.

Further explanation of resolution bandwidth appears in the Pocket Operating Guide.

VIDEO BW and VIDEO BW

**AUTO MAN** 

adjust the video bandwidth. The bandwidth, which appears in the active function block, ranges from 1 Hz to 3 MHz in a 1, 3, 10 sequence. The value can be changed using the DATA keys, the STEP keys, or the knob. Press either key to activate the video bandwidth. A line under AUTO or MAN indicates whether the bandwidth is coupled (AUTO) or is in manual mode (MAN). When the video bandwidth is in manual mode, pressing VIDEO BW AUTO

#### MANUAL OPERATION

MAN returns the bandwidth to coupled mode. When the video bandwidth is less than 300 Hz, the IF detector automatically changes to sample mode.

Narrow video filters help smooth a trace, allowing you to view signals that are otherwise masked by the noise. Narrower bandwidths require longer sweep times, however.

# MAX NO. VID AVGS

selects the number of sweeps used in video averaging (see below). This value ranges from 1 to 999 and appears in the active function block. After the desired value is entered, video averaging automatically begins. A number indicating the sweeps that have been averaged appears at the top of the display.

# VID AVG ON OFF

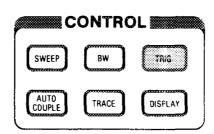
turns the video averaging ON or OFF. Video averaging smooths the displayed trace without using a narrow video bandwidth. The function sets the IF detector to sample mode and smooths the trace by averaging successive traces with each other

### MANUAL OPERATION

DETECTOR NEG PEAK selects the negative-peak detector mode. Use this mode to detect the negative-peak noise level of a trace.

PREV MENU displays the previous menu of softkeys.

### TRIGGER



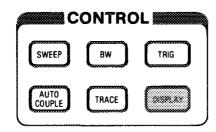
**FREE RUN** sets the trigger to free-run mode. Sweep triggers occur as rapidly as the spectrum analyzer will allow.

VIDEO sets the trigger to video mode. Sweep triggers occur whenever the input signal passes through, with a positive slope, the video trigger level. This trigger level can be changed using the DATA keys, the STEP keys, or the knob. A dashed line appears on the screen to denote the selected level.

**EXTERNAL** sets the trigger to external mode. Connect an external trigger source to J5 on the rear panel of the spectrum analyzer. The source must range from 0 to 5 VDC (TTL). The trigger occurs on the rising, positive edge of the signal (about 1.5 V).

LINE sets the trigger to line mode. Sweep triggers occur at intervals synchronized to the line frequency.

### DISPLAY



accesses a menu of display-related functions, which are described below.

DISPLAY activate a display line. Press either key to activate the display line, then use the DATA keys, the STEP keys, or the knob to adjust it. When the display line is ON, pressing DSP LINE and ON OFF turns the line OFF.

DSP LINE ON OFF

THRESHLD set a threshold that determines the lower limit of the active trace(s). To change the threshold, use the DATA keys, the STEP keys, or the knob. The selected level is indicated by a dashed line across the screen. When the trace is in view or in max-hold mode, once the threshold on OFF is raised, any data below the new threshold is permanently lost.

PLOTTER accesses a menu of plotter functions, which are described below. A procedure for making plots appears in Chapter 4 of the Pocket Operating Guide. Plot keys (except for PLOT ALL and PLOT ORG) can be pressed in any order; the functions will be executed in that order.

PLOT plots the entire contents of the spectrum analyzer screen (except for the MLL menu and error codes). When PLOT ALL is active, STOP PLOT appears in its place, allowing you to stop the plot before it is finished.

#### MANUAL OPERATION

PLOT plots only the contents of Trace A and any markers associated with Trace TRACE A

A. When PLOT TRACE A is active, STOP TRACE A appears in its place, allowing you to stop the plot before it is finished.

PLOT plots only the contents of Trace B and any markers associated with Trace TRACE B. When PLOT TRACE B is active, STOP TRACE B appears in its place, allowing you to stop the plot before it is finished.

PLOT plots only the graticule. When PLOT GRAT is active, STOP GRAT appears GRATICUL in its place, allowing you to stop the plot before it is finished.

PLOT plots only the annotation (excluding the menu, markers, and error codes).

ANNOT When PLOT ANNOT is active, STOP ANNOT appears in its place, allowing you to stop the plot before it is finished.

PLOT ORG
DSP GRAT

selects either the display (DSP) or the graticule (GRAT) mode. When DSP is selected, the plotter references P1 and P2 to the corners of the spectrum analyzer display. When GRAT is selected, the plotter references P1 and P2 to the lower-left and upper-right corners of the graticule, respectively. GRAT allows you to position the desired plot information on a pre-printed graticule (obtained from PLOT GRAT), and to save plotting time.

MORE accesses a menu of additional softkeys, which are described below.

displays a menu of functions that allow you to create a title on the screen. These functions are described below. SCREEN TITLE also displays a set of characters in the active function block. Use the STEP keys or the knob to select the desired characters for your title. After selecting the desired character, press SELECT CHAR to place it in the title area, which is in the upper-right corner of the graticule. The title can be up to two lines of sixteen characters each. An example of creating a screen title appears in Chapter 4 of the Pocket Operating Guide.

SELECT causes the currently selected character in the active function block to appear CHAR in the next available character position of the title. This key may be held for repeated characters.

**SPACE** places a blank space in the next available character position in the title.

**BACK** deletes the last character placed in the title. **SPACE** 

TITLE fixes the current title and returns to the previous softkey menu. DONE

CHAR SET selects one of two character sets. Character set 1 contains upper-case letters, numbers, and miscellaneous characters. Character set 2 contains lower-case letters, and miscellaneous characters.

**ERASE** erases the current title from the display. **TITLE** 

 $\mbox{\bf GRAT}$  blanks the graticule from the display (OFF) or reactivates it (ON).  $\mbox{\bf ON OFF}$ 

**ANNOT** blanks the annotation from the display (OFF) or reactivates it (ON). ON OFF

OFF turns off all frequency annotation. This includes the start and stop frequencies, the center frequency, the frequency span, marker readouts, the center frequency step-size, and signal identification to center frequency. Once this key is pressed, there is no way to display the frequency data. To reactivate the annotation, press PRESE.

FOCUS changes the focus of the display. Press FOCUS, then use the DATA keys, the STEP keys, or the knob to adjust the focus. The focus ranges from 0 to 255; the current value appears in the active function block. When FOCUS is pressed, STORE FOCUS appears on the menu. Press STORE FOCUS to store the new focus value.

INTEN changes the intensity of the display. Press INTEN, then use the DATA keys, the STEP keys, or the knob to adjust the intensity. The intensity ranges from 0 to 255; the current value appears in the active function block. When INTEN is pressed, STORE INTEN appears on the menu. Press STORE INTEN to store the new intensity value.

For indoor use, keep the intensity around 90. For outdoor use, increase the intensity as necessary, keeping in mind that excessive brightness shortens the life of the CRT.

# TRACE MATH IN THE HP 8562A/B

Trace math in the HP 8562A/B allows easy application of correction data to a trace. Trace math in the HP 8562A/B is performed either in dBm units, when in log mode, or in volts, when in linear mode. Sometimes trace-math results are not intuitive; an explanation of what occurs follows.

### ADDING AND SUBTRACTING IN DBM

The HP 8562A/B trace-math scheme allows easy addition and subtraction of correction values in dBm units. For example, to correct for 3 dB of loss in Trace A data values, you can add or subtract Trace B, which has been preloaded with +3 dBm or -3 dBm as its data values. The two traces can then be added or subtracted using  $A+B\rightarrow A$ ; or  $A-B\rightarrow A$  and thus eliminate the effects of the loss.

Note that in the example above, the result is an addition or subtraction of dBm and not an addition or subtraction of power. Consider a trace data value of -50 dBm and a second trace data value of -50 dBm. When the two values are added using  $A-B\rightarrow A$ , the result is -50 dBm +-50 dBm =-100 dBm. However, if two -50 dBm power sources at two different frequencies are physically summed, the result is a power of -47 dBm. To further illustrate this point, if Trace A is at 3.0 dBm and Trace B is at 7.0 dBm, performing  $A+B\rightarrow A$  moves Trace A to 10.0 dBm (i.e., Trace A would move up on the screen). On the other hand, if Trace A is at -10 dBm and Trace B is at -6.0 dBm, performing  $A+B\rightarrow A$  drops Trace A data to -16 dBm, even though Trace B is 4.0 dBm higher in power in both cases. As you can see, the HP 8562A/B is not adding and subtracting physical values, but rather providing an efficient method for calculations in dBm units.

#### Use A-B+DL→A to Correct Data

The function  $A-B+DL\rightarrow A$  provides the most versatile method for applying correction data to a trace.  $A-B+DL\rightarrow A$  subtracts the contents of Trace B from the contents of Trace A and adds the result to the display line. Consider characterising the response of a device under test in a swept-measurement system. Enter the response of the system in Trace B. Insert the device into the system, then enter this response into Trace A. Use  $A-B+DL\rightarrow A$  to subtract the system response from the response with the device under test; the result is the response of the device under test, which is centered about the display line. So, to correct data, use Trace B to store a copy of the uncorrected response and subtract this from new data in Trace A; the result is a corrected response.

If the two traces are identical, as in the following example, result of subtracting these two traces will equal 0 dBm. Note, however, that if the reference level is less than 0 dBm, the results will be off the screen, or even clipped (clipping is described at the end of this chapter). The display line is added to return the result to the screen, with no clipping occurring. Since you can specify the position of the display line, you can move the corrected data to any on-screen position.

The following example illustrates how to use  $A-B+DL\rightarrow A$ . Preset the instrument, connect the calibration signal to the RF input, then set the spectrum analyzer to the state described below:

Center Frequency: 299.995 MHz

Frequency Span: 20 kHz Resolution Bandwidth: 10 kHz

dB per Division: 5 Sweep Mode: Single

Trace A and Trace B: clear-write mode

Take two sweeps (i.e., press SINGLE twice) and set Trace B to view mode. This places an identical trace in both Trace A and Trace B, then freezes the data in Trace B. Activate the display line and place the line where you want the corrected data to appear on the screen (at -16 dBm, for example). Now activate  $A-B+DL\rightarrow A$ . Trace B is subtracted from Trace A; since the traces are identical, the result is a flat response equal to 0 dBm. Note, however, that the reference level is at -10 dBm; if this were the end of the calculation, you would not be able to see the result. The display line is added to move the response to -16 dBm and onto the screen where you can view the result.

# ADDING AND SUBTRACTING IN VOLTS

In linear mode, all trace math is executed in positive-voltage units. This means that the function  $A+B\rightarrow A$  moves Trace A data up the screen, while the function  $A-B\rightarrow A$  moves Trace A data down the screen (assuming Trace B contains non-zero data).

### TRACE DATA LIMITS

The displayed amplitude of each trace element falls in one of 600 data points (see Figure 5.1). There are an additional 10 points of overrange. The HP 8562A/B clips results that exceed these limits. The overrange is equal to 1/6 of a division above the reference level. Also, the same clipping algorithm is applied to correction data in a trace (e.g., correction data that you enter into Trace B). For example, if the reference level is 0 dBm the scale is equal to 10 dB per division, the correction values must be within the range of +1.66 dBm to -100.00 dBm (1/6 of 10 dB is equal to 1.66 dB).

# MANUAL OPERATION

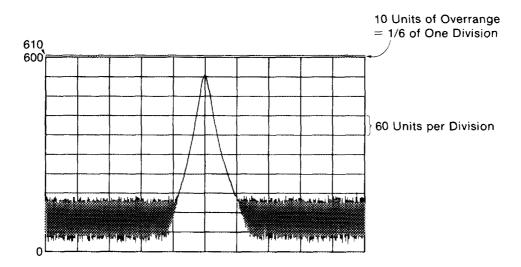


Fig. 5.1. HP 8562A/B display units.

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# **CHAPTER 6**

# **CREATING SCREEN TITLES**

Screen titles (shown in Figure 6.1) allow you to label instrument data. They can help to identify on-screen data or data that you want to store or plot. The HP 8562A/B has commands to create titles remotely, and several methods can be used to make titles. These include using no format, or using A-block or I-block format. Each method is described below.

Note also that the first sixteen characters of a title become the label for a stored instrument state or stored trace. The label replaces the register number of the state or trace that usually appears on the spectrum analyzer menu. If you save or recall states or traces remotely, be sure to use the register number and not this label.

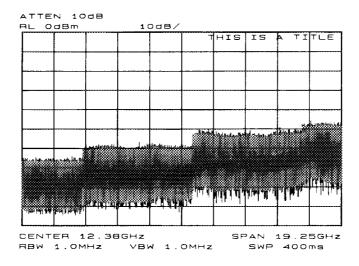


Fig. 6.1. Screen titles appear in the upper-right corner of the display.

# **NO-FORMAT METHOD**

This is the simplest method for creating a title. No format is used; you simply enclose the title within string delimiters (a list of delimiters appears below). Refer to Example 1.

### Example 1

OUTPUT 718; "TITLE@This is a title@;"

20 END

# **CHAPTER 7**

# GENERATING PLOTS REMOTELY

In addition to the plot functions available from the spectrum analyzer front panel, the HP 8562A/B also allows you to generate plots remotely. This chapter describes how to combine plot commands to generate plots.

# PLOTTER REQUIREMENTS

Be sure your plotter satisfies the following requirements to successfully execute the programming examples in this chapter.

- 1. The HP 8562A/B supports the following plotters: the HP 7470A, HP 7475A, HP 7550A, HP 9872A/B/C, and the HP 7440A ColorPro. Be sure that the HP 7550A Plotter is in "standard" mode.
- 2. Set the plotter to address five (see Figure 7.1). If you cannot locate the address switch on the plotter, refer to the plotter's operation manual. If you want to use a different plotter address for remote operation, be sure to modify the examples accordingly. Remember, to generate plots from the spectrum analyzer front panel, you must reset the address to five.

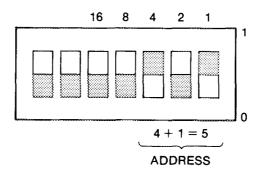


Fig. 7.1. Plotter address set to five.

3. Know how to select the scaling points on your plotter. The scaling points (referred to as the P1 and P2 plotter coordinates) define the lower-left and upper-right corners of the plot (see Figure 7.2). These coordinates define the size of the plot. Table 7.1 shows the scaling points for several Hewlett-Packard plotters.

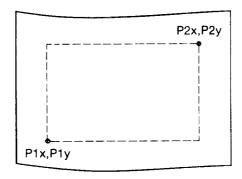


Fig. 7.2. P1 and P2 coordinates.

	TYPICAL SCAL	.ING POINTS	PLOT	TING HANGE
Plotter	P1x.P1y	P2x,P2y	X-Axis	Y-Axia
7440	290,200	7400,11000	0 to 7544	3980010 +51000
7475A	250,279	10250,7479	0 to 1 <b>0300</b>	
9872C	520,380	15720,10380	0 to 16000	0 to 11400

Table 7.1. Scaling points for various plotters.

# MAKING A BASIC PLOT

To make a basic plot, choose P1 and P2 coordinates for the plot size you desire and set the plotter to these values. The typical coordinates shown in Table 7.1 create a plot with approximately 1'' margins on an  $8\ 1/2'' \times 11''$  sheet of paper. (Many plotters have default values for this size of paper.) You can enter coordinates in a program directly, or query the plotter for the values. The latter method is used in the example program below. To generate a plot, connect the plotter via HP-IB to the computer and execute Example 1.

# Example 1

```
10 OUTPUT 705; "OP; "
20 ENTER 705; Plx, Ply, P2x, P2y
30 OUTPUT 718; "PLOT "; Plx; ", "; Ply; ", "; P2x; ", "; P2y; "; "
40 SEND 7; UNL LISTEN 5 TALK 18 DATA
50 END
```

Line 10 of the example above queries the plotter for its P1 and P2 coordinates, and Line 20 enters these values into variables. Line 30 sends the spectrum analyzer PLOT command and the plotter coordinates. Line 40 sends the following statements over the HP-IB interface. UNL sets all instruments on the HP-IB to unlisten mode; LISTEN 5 sets only the plotter to listen mode. TALK 18 specifies the spectrum analyzer as the talker; it can then send its display contents to the plotter. Since the controller's HP-IB interface must not interfere with the plot, the DATA statement puts the controller HP-IB interface on standby and sets the attention line low.

Example 1 illustrates the statements required to generate a plot. However, there is no provision to indicate to the controller when the plot is finished. Example 2 uses a spectrum analyzer "command complete" service request to indicate when the plot is done (service requests are discussed in Chapter 9). When the spectrum analyzer PLOT command is finished, a "command complete" service request is triggered and signals that the plot is done.

# Example 2

```
10
           OUTPUT 705; "OP; "
20
           ENTER 705; Plx, Ply, P2x, P2y
30
           ON INTR 7 GOTO Done
40
           ENABLE INTR 7;2
50
           OUTPUT 718; "RQS 16;"
60
           OUTPUT 718; "PLOT "; Plx; ", "; Ply; ", "; P2x; ", "; P2y; "; "
70
           SEND 7; UNL LISTEN 5 TALK 18 DATA
80
       Idle:
                GOTO Idle
90
       Done:
                      S poll-SPOLL(718)
              OUTPUT 718; "RQS 0;"
100
              PRINT "COMMAND IS COMPLETE"
110
120
           END
```

Lines 10 and 20 obtain the P1 and P2 coordinates, as in the previous example. Line 30 commands the controller to go to the subroutine "Done" when an interrupt occurs. Line 40 enables the controller to receive service request interrupts. On Line 50, the RQS command specifies that a "command complete" condition will generate a service request. Lines 60 and 70 plot the display contents. Line 80 keeps the controller on Line 80 of the program until the plot is finished and the PLOT command satisfies the "command complete" condition. When the plot is finished, the controller continues to the subroutine "Done." Done performs a serial poll on the spectrum analyzer and reads the generated service request. This also clears the analyzer of this request. Line 100 returns the spectrum analyzer service requests to their initial condition. Line 110 prints on the computer screen that the plot is done.

# PLOTTING OPTIONS

Perhaps you do not want the entire display contents transferred to the plotter. You may want to plot only a trace, or only a trace and the screen annotation. The spectrum analyzer PLOTSRC command specifies the display contents you want to plot. Choose to plot the entire display, Trace A, Trace B, the annotation, or the graticule. Example 3 illustrates how to plot Trace A and the annotation.

```
OUTPUT 705; "OP; "
10
20
           ENTER 705; Plx, Ply, P2x, P2y
           OUTPUT 718; "PLOTSRC TRA; RQS 16; PLOT "; Plx; ", "; Ply; ", "; P2x; ", "; P2y;
30
           "; RQS 0; "
           Done=0
40
50
           IF Done=0 THEN GOSUB Wait plot
60
           Done=0
70
           OUTPUT 718; "PLOTSRC ANNT; RQS 16; PLOT "; P1x; ", "; P1y; ", "; P2x; ", "; P2y;
           "; RQS 0; "
80
           IF Done=0 THEN GOSUB Wait plot
90
             PRINT "COMMAND IS COMPLETE"
100
            STOP
110
        Wait plot:
                        Done=1
120
                         ON INTR 7 GOTO Go back
130
                         ENABLE INTR 7;2
140
                         SEND 7; UNL LISTEN 5 TALK 18 DATA
150
        Idle:
                 GOTO Idle
160
        Go back:
                           S poll=SPOLL(718)
170
                           RETURN
180
           END
```

Another available plot function, the PLOTORG command, specifies whether the plotter P1 and P2 coordinates are the origins for the entire analyzer display or for its graticule. If you choose the graticule as the origin and plot only the graticule, you can, in effect, create graph paper especially for analyzer plots. Using paper with preprinted graticule lines can save plotting time. When you use this paper, be sure to set the PLOTORG command in reference to the graticule ("PLOTORG GRT") and use the P1 and 1'2 coordinates that you used to create the graticule lines.

# **CHAPTER 8**

# TRACE DATA TRANSFERS

An important part of spectrum analyzer remote operation is receiving and sending trace data via HP-IB. This chapter describes the various formats available for transferring trace data to and from a computer.

The HP 8562A/B provides five formats: real number (P) format, binary (B) format, A-block format, I-block format, and measurement units (M) format. How to transfer data to and from a computer with each format is described below.

# TRANSFER REQUIREMENTS

The three requirements listed here apply to all trace data transfers, regardless of the format selected.

### 1. Trace length

HP 8562A/B traces are composed of 601 data points, or trace elements. This is the length of all traces and cannot be changed. When transferring trace data to or from a computer, set the dimension of trace-data arrays to 601 elements.

#### 2. Trace conditions

Trace data is of little value if you do not also know the trace conditions from which the data was taken. The five conditions that you must store in addition to the trace data are the start and stop frequencies, the reference level, the amplitude scaling, and the absolute amplitude units. You may want to store additional conditions such as the resolution bandwidth, attenuation, or sweep time. Example 1 below queries the spectrum analyzer for the trace conditions shown on the display and stores them. Example 2 shows how to return this data to the analyzer. These procedures, which you may find useful, are used throughout the programming examples in this chapter.

#### Example 1

10	SUB Get data(Fa,Fb,Rl,Rb,Vb,St,Lg,Aunits\$)
20	OUTPUT 718; "FA?; FB?; RL?; RB?; VB?; ST?; LG?; AUNITS?; "
30	ENTER 718 USING "K"; Fa, Fb, Rl, Rb, Vb, St, Lg, Aunits\$
40	SUBEND

```
10
          SUB Enter data(Fa, Fb, R1, Rb, Vb, St, Lg, Aunits$)
          OUTPUT 718; "FA "; Fa; "HZ; "
20
30
          OUTPUT 718; "FB "; Fb; "HZ; "
40
          OUTPUT 718; "AUNITS "; Aunits$; "; "
          OUTPUT 718; "RB "; Rb; "HZ; "
50
          OUTPUT 718; "VB "; Vb; "HZ; "
60
70
          OUTPUT 718; "ST "; St; "SEC; "
80
          IF Lg=0 THEN
          OUTPUT 718; "LN; "
90
100
           ELSE
           OUTPUT 718; "LG "; Lg; "DB; "
110
120
           END IF
130
           SUBEND
```

3. Specify the data format before transferring data.

Use the TDF command to specify the format before sending data from the spectrum analyzer to the computer. The examples in this chapter illustrate how to use this command. For more information, refer to the Language Reference section of this manual.

The examples in this chapter use the TRA command. This command transfers data to and from Trace A. A TRB command is also available for transferring Trace B data. It is possible to read data from Trace A and then send it to Trace B, and vice versa. For simplicity, this capability is not reflected in the programming examples in this chapter.

# **FORMATS**

### P-Format

The real number, or "P" format allows you to receive or send trace data in a real-number format. This is the default format when the instrument is powered up. Numbers are in dBm, dBmV, dB $\mu$ V, volts, or watts. Be sure to include the amplitude units with the trace data (use the AUNITS command or the trace conditions procedure included in this chapter). Real-number data may be an advantage if you wish to use the data later in a program. However, data transfers using P-format tend to be slow and take up a lot of memory (compared to binary format, in some cases P-format can take up to four times the amount of memory).

The following programming example illustrates how to send trace data to a computer. Refer to Example 3, below.

```
10
           REAL A(1:601)
20
           OUTPUT 718; "IP; CF 300MHZ; SP 20MHZ; SNGLS; TS; "
30
           CALL Get_data(Fa,Fb,R1,Rb,Vb,St,Lg,Aunits$)
40
           OUTPUT 718; "TDF P; TRA?; "
50
           ENTER 718; A(*)
60
           END
70
           SUB Get data(Fa, Fb, Rl, Rb, Vb, St, Lg, Aunits$)
80
           OUTPUT 718; "FA?; FB?; RL?; RB?; VB?; ST?; LG?; AUNITS?; "
90
           ENTER 718 USING "K"; Fa, Fb, Rl, Rb, Vb, St, Lg, Aunits$
100
           SUBEND
```

Line 10 dimensions array A to 601 elements (one element for each point of trace data). The array is dimensioned using the REAL statement, allowing each array element to accept real-number data. Line 20 sets the analyzer to a desired state. Line 30 calls the subprogram that queries the spectrum analyzer for the required state data. Line 40 specifies the P-format (TDF P), then queries the analyzer for the data in Trace A (TRA?). The data is entered into the array on Line 50. You can use the data in a program or store it on a disk for later use.

Example 4 illustrates how to return data from a computer to the spectrum analyzer.

# Example 4

```
10
           REAL A(1:601)
           OUTPUT 718; "IP; CF 300MHZ; SP 20MHZ; SNGLS; TS; "
20
30
           CALL Get data(Fa,Fb,Rl,Rb,Vb,St,Lg,Aunits$)
           OUTPUT 718; "TDF P; TRA?; "
40
50
           ENTER 718; A(*)
60
           PRINT "PRESS CONTINUE TO RETURN DATA TO THE ANALYZER"
70
           PAUSE
           OUTPUT 718; "IP; TDF P; TS; VIEW TRA; "
80
90
           CALL Enter_data(Fa,Fb,Rl,Rb,Vb,St,Lg,Aunits$)
            OUTPUT 718; "TRA ";
100
110
            FOR I=1 TO 600
            OUTPUT 718; A(I); "DBM, ";
120
130
            NEXT I
            OUTPUT 718; A(601); "DBM;"
140
150
           END
```

#### REMOTE OPERATION

Note that lines 10-50 effectively repeat Example 3. This is to ensure that F cample 4 will run properly; trace data does not need to be output twice. Sending the trace data begins on Line 80. Line 80 presets the analyzer, readies the spectrum analyzer to accept data into Trace A, and selects the 1'-format. Line 90 sets the analyzer to the stored trace conditions. Lines 100-140 enter the stored trace data into Trace A. When sending trace data into the analyzer using P-format, the data points must be entered into the analyzer one point at a time. Note that each point is followed by the amplitude units (in this case, dBm). If the specified amplitude units for the trace data are the same as the amplitude units currently selected for the analyzer, you may omit the amplitude units in the above program. When sending trace data into the analyzer using P-format, each point is terminated with the amplitude units (in this case, dBm).

#### **B-Format** (output only)

The binary, or B, format provides the fastest data transfer and requires the least amount of memory to store data. Each data point is transferred in binary as two 8-bit bytes. The data points are in the internal representation of measurement data. Binary data can also be easily converted into measurement data. If speed and memory are important considerations, you may prefer B-format to P-format.

Example 5 shows how to transfer data in B-format from the spectrum analyzer to a computer.

# Example 5

```
INTEGER Tra_binary(1:601)
ASSIGN @Sa_bin TO 718; FORMAT OFF
OUTPUT 718; "IP; CF 300MHZ; SP 20MHZ; SNGLS; TS; "
CALL Get_data(Fa,Fb,Rl,Rb,Vb,St,Lg,Aunits$)
OUTPUT 718; "TDF B; TRA?; "
CENTER @Sa_bin; Tra_binary(*)
END
```

Line 10 dimensions the array TRA\_BINARY to 601 elements. Here, the INTEGER statement dimensions each array element as two bytes (remember, each data point transferred in B-tormat is sent as two 8-bit bytes). On Line 20, the spectrum analyzer address is assigned to "@Sa\_bin." Because the trace data is transferred in the format of two 8-bit bytes and this format is also the internal format of the computer, no number builder is needed to transfer the binary data. The number builder is turned off whenever the spectrum analyzer is addressed as "@Sa\_bin." Line 40 enters the instrument state conditions. Line 50 selects B-format, then queries the spectrum analyzer for Trace A data. Line 60 enters the data into the array Tra\_binary.

To convert a trace-data point from binary to a real, logarithmic number (e.g., dBm), use the equation below:

```
n = RL-10 × Log Scale + Log Scale × (x/600)

= RL + Log Scale(x/60-10)

where: x = binary data in an array element

RL = reference level in dBm, dBmV, or dB\muV

Log Scale = the dB per division log scale selected on the spectrum analyzer.
```

Example 6 converts binary values to measurement data and prints them on the computer display.

```
10
          INTEGER Trace a(1:601)
          DIM Real num(1:601)
20
30
          Ref lvl-0 ! O DBM REFERENCE LEVEL
40
          Log scale=10 ! 10/DIV LOG SCALE
          OUTPUT 718; "TDF B; TRA?; "
50
          ENTER 718 USING "#,W";Trace a(*)
60
70
          MAT Real num- Trace a
80
          FOR X=1 TO 601
90
          Real_num(X)=Ref_level+Log_scale*(Real_num(X)/60-10)
100
          NEXT X
          END
110
```

For converting linear data, use this equation:

```
n = RL(x/600)
where: x = binary data in an array element
RL = reference level, in volts or watts
```

These equations are useful when you are interested in viewing only a few points of data, rather than an entire trace. B-format saves time and memory, and these equations provide a means to view the data, if necessary.

One important note. It is not possible to return data to the analyzer using binary format. You must use either A-block or I-block format. These two formats are described below.

#### **A-Block Format**

A-block format is similar to binary format in that each data point is sent as two 8-bit bytes (this, too, is in the internal representation of measurement data). A-block format also transfers a four-byte header before the 601 points of trace data. These bytes are the ASCII characters "#," "A," and a two-byte length field equal to 1202. The first two characters indicate that the transferred data is in A-block format. "1202" indicates the length of the trace data, expressed in bytes. As previously mentioned, trace data is composed of 601 trace elements. Each trace element is transferred as one word that is composed of two 8-bit bytes. Thus, 601 words contains 1202 bytes. 1202 is the trace length sent. You may want to keep this format and trace length information separate from the actual trace data. Refer to Example 7.

```
INTEGER Tra_binary(1:601)

DIM Header$[4]

OUTPUT 718;"IP;CF 300MHZ;SP 20MHZ;SNGLS;TS;"

CALL Get_data(Fa,Fb,Rl,Rb,Vb,St,Lg,Aunits$)

OUTPUT 718;"TDF A;TRA?;"

ENTER 718 USING "#,4A,601(W)";Header$,Tra_binary(*)

END
```

Like B-format, the array in Line 10 is created using the INTEGER statement. Line 20 creates a string, Header\$. The header will be placed in this string, separate from the trace data. Line 50 specifies the data format, then queries for the contents of Trace A. Line 60 places the header in Header\$ and places 601 points of trace data in Tra\_binary. Header\$ will contain the "#A" and two non-printing characters that represent in binary the integer 1202. The first non-printing character is CHR\$(4), and the second non-printing character is CHR\$(178). Since this string does not contain desired trace data, you can discard it. The USING statement specifies that four header characters will be transferred, followed by 601 16-bit words, which are the actual trace data. The "#" sign within the USING statement suppresses any end-of-line signals that may occur before the last trace-data byte is sent.

To send trace data from the computer to the analyzer, refer to Example 8.

## Example 8

```
10
          INTEGER Tra binary(1:601)
20
          DIM Header$[4]
          OUTPUT 718; "IP; CF 300MHZ; SP 20MHZ; SNGLS; TS; "
30
          CALL Get data(Fa, Fb, R1, Rb, Vb, St, Lg, Aunits$)
40
          OUTPUT 718; "TDF A; TRA?; "
50
          ENTER 718 USING "#,4A,601(W)";Header$,Tra_binary(*)
60
          PRINT "PRESS CONTINUE TO RETURN DATA TO THE ANALYZER"
70
80
          PAUSE
90
          OUTPUT 718; "IP; TS; VIEW TRA;"
            CALL Enter data(Fa, Fb, Rl, Rb, Vb, St, Lg, Aunits$)
100
            OUTPUT 718; "TDF A;"
110
            OUTPUT 718 USING "#,K,W,601(W)"; "TRA#A",1202,Tra binary(*).";"
120
130
           END
```

Line 90 presets the analyzer and sets Trace A to view mode. Line 100 returns the state data to the analyzer. Line 110 sets the data format to A-block. Line 120 sends the TRA command, the format information and the trace data. The USING statement specifies that the data "TRA#A" will be sent as characters, followed by a word ("1202") and 601 16-bit words (the actual trace data). Remember, you must send "#A" to indicate the format and "1202" to indicate the length of the trace, in bytes. The "#" sign within the USING statement suppresses any end-of-line signals characters.

### **I-Block Format**

Data points transferred in the I-block format are sent as two 8-bit bytes in the internal representation of measurement data. In addition to transferring trace data, I-block format also transfers the characters "#" and "I." These characters indicate that the trace data is in I-block format. Like the A-block format examples, when sending the trace data to the computer, you may want to keep these two characters separate from the trace data. Refer to Example 9.

## Example 9

```
INTEGER Tra_binary(1:601)

DIM Header$[2]

OUTPUT 718;"IP;CF 300MHZ;SP 20MHZ;SNGLS;TS;"

CALL Get_data(Fa,Fb,Rl,Rb,Vb,St,Lg,Aunits$)

OUTPUT 718;"TDF I;TRA?;"

ENTER 718 USING "#,2A,601(W)";Header$,Tra_binary(*)

END
```

Like the examples for the A-block format, you store format information in a string (Header\$) and store the desired trace data in an integer array (Tra\_binary).

Returning the trace data to the analyzer requires an important instruction. The "I" in the term I-block refers to the ability of the spectrum analyzer to accept data of "indefinite" length when using I-block format. Even though the analyzer uses only 601 points of trace data, the I-block format lets you send any number of data points. The spectrum analyzer will continue to accept data until an end-of-instruction (EOI) signal is sent to it. Hewlett-Packard Series 200/300 BASIC allows you to send an EOI with the last data byte using the END command. Refer to Example 10.

### Example 10

```
INTEGER Tra binary(1:601)
10
          DIM Header$[2]
20
30
          OUTPUT 718; "IP; CF 300MHZ; SP 20MHZ; SNGLS; TS; "
          CALL Get data(Fa, Fb, R1, Rb, Vb, St, Lg, Aunits$)
40
50
          OUTPUT 718; "TDF I; TRA?; "
60
          ENTER 718 USING "#,2A,601(W)";Header$,Tra_binary(*)
70
          PRINT "PRESS CONTINUE TO RETURN DATA TO THE ANALYZER"
80
          PAUSE
90
          OUTPUT 718; "IP; TS; VIEW TRA; "
100
            CALL Enter data(Fa,Fb,Rl,Rb,Vb,St,Lg,Aunits$)
            OUTPUT 718; "TDF I;"
110
120
            OUTPUT 718 USING "#,K,601(W)"; "TRA#I", Tra_binary(*) END
130
          END
```

#### REMOTE OPERATION

By now most of this program should look familiar. Line 120 requires some explanation, however. The END statement appearing after the array Tra\_binary sends to the spectrum analyzer the last data byte stored in the array, with the HP-IB EOI line set "true," as required by I-block format.

### M-Format (output only)

The measurement units, or M, format transfers trace data in the internal format used by the spectrum analyzer. Refer to Figure 8.1. The displayed amplitude of each element falls on one of 600 vertical points (with 600 equal to the reference level). For example, the peak of the signal in Figure 8.1 is equal to -10 dBm, or one division below the reference level. In measurement units, it is equal to 540 (600 - 60 = 540). There are also 10 additional points of overrange. Measurements units, then, range from 0 to 610. The advantage of M-format is that it transfers data as ASCII characters, allowing you to view the data directly. The data points are separated by commas.

To send trace data to the computer, see Example 11.

# Example 11

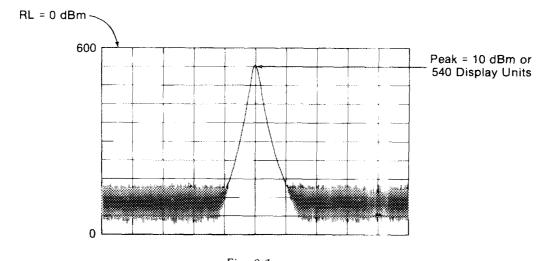


Fig. 8.1.

# **CHAPTER 9**

# **SERVICE REQUESTS**

In Chapter 7, you were introduced to service requests (SRQs). You saw how a service request can interrupt a normal program sequence in order to attend to an event outside of the regular program sequence. In Chapter 7, the service request indicated when the plotter had finished plotting the contents of the spectrum analyzer display. Service requests have other applications as well. For example, while the spectrum analyzer is making a remote measurement, the computer can be processing numeric data or attending to some other task. When the analyzer is finished with its task, it can then interrupt the computer, signaling that the task is done. Or, a service request can be used to indicate that a specific event has occurred; the computer can then branch to another routine. This chapter describes the controller statements and analyzer commands used to generate service request routines.

# THE STATUS REGISTER

The status register is a register in the spectrum analyzer. The bits in this register summarize the conditions that can create a service request. See Table 9.1. Each condition is assigned to a bit in the status register. The decimal equivalent of that bit is also included. The conditions have been selected by Hewlett-Packard as appropriate spectrum analyzer service requests. For example, when the spectrum analyzer becomes uncalibrated, a message is generated to indicate this condition. You can use this "message generated" event to trigger a service request, causing the computer to branch to a subprogram. The subprogram can then alert you of the spectrum analyzer's uncalibrated state. If you want to be notified to any errors that occur during remote operation, the "error present" service request can cause branching to a subroutine that notifies you an error has occurred and perhaps prints the errors.

BIT NUMBER	DECIMAL EQUIVALENT	ANALYZER State	DESCRIPTION
7	128		Not used
6	64	RQS	Not used
5	32	ERROR PRESENT	Set when error present
4	16	COMMAND COMPLETE	Any command is completed
3	8		Not used
2	4	END OF SWEEP	Set when any sweep is completed
1	2	MESSAGE	Set when display message appears
0	1	TRIGGER	Trigger is activated

Table 9.1. HP 8562A/B Status Register

#### REMOTE OPERATION

#### Example 2

```
OUTPUT 718; "IP; SNGLS; CF 300MHZ; SP 20MHZ; TS; "
10
           OUTPUT 718; "VAVG 10; RQS 16; "
20
30
           ON INTR 7 GOTO Srq
           ENABLE INTR 7;2
40
          OUTPUT 718; "TS; "
50
60
                 GOTO Idle
70
       Srq:OUTPUT 718;"STB?;";
80
            ENTER 781; Sbyte
90
              PRINT Sbyte
              PRINT "VIDEO AVERAGING IS COMPLETE"
100
              OUTPUT 718; "RQS 0; "
110
120
              LOCAL 718
130
          END
```

Line 20 sets the bit mask so that only the "command complete" condition is set. On Line 70, once the "command complete" condition is satisfied (in this case, after ten video averages), the STB command queries the spectrum analyzer for the service request data. The data is then entered into variable Sbyte and printed. The value returned is the decimal equivalent of the generated service request.

# Reading Service Requests From More Than One Instrument

Most instruments that can be controlled remotely have service request capability similar to that in the HP 8562A/B. You may want to take advantage of this capability in other instruments as well as in the spectrum analyzer. If you have more than one instrument on a bus that can generate a service request, you need to modify the above program to look for interrupts from more than one instrument. See Example 3.

```
10
           OUTPUT 718; "IP; SNGLS; CF 300MHZ; SP 20MHZ; TS; "
20
           OUTPUT 718; "VAVG 10; RQS 16; "
30
          ON INTR 7 GOSUB Srq
40
          ENABLE INTR 7:2
50
          OUTPUT 718; "TS; "
60
                 GOTO Idle
       Idle:
70
       Srq:
             Sbyte 1=SPOLL(718)
80
              Sbyte_2=SPOLL(705)
90
              IF BIT(Sbyte 1,6)-1 THEN
100
               PRINT "SERVICE REQUEST", Sbyte_1, "ON ADDRESS 18"
               OUTPUT 718; "RQS 0; "
110
120
               LOCAL 718
130
               STOP
140
               END IF
150
               IF BIT(Sbyte 2,6)=1 THEN
160
               PRINT "SERVICE REQUEST", Sbyte 2, "ON ADDRESS 5"
170
               END IF
180
               ENABLE INTR 7;2
190
               RETURN
200
             END
```

In this example, you execute the SPOLL command for each instrument that may cause a service request interrupt; in this case, the analyzer or an instrument that is set to address 5. Once the instruments are queried for interrupts, the IF. . .THEN statements provide a way to branch to the appropriate routine.

# **TESTING SERVICE REQUEST ROUTINES**

In the previous programming examples, you knew that a service request would be generated when the VAVG command was completed. You could easily test the program and make sure that it worked. However, service requests may not always be so predictable; this can make a program difficult to test. The spectrum analyzer SRQ command automatically triggers any service request you choose. Of course, as with other service requests, you must set the bit mask before executing the SRQ command. See Example 4.

```
OUTPUT 718; "IP; SNGLS; CF 300MHZ; SP 20MHZ; TS; "
10
20
           OUTPUT 718; "RQS 16; "
30
           ON INTR 7 GOTO Srq
40
           ENABLE INTR 7;2
           OUTPUT 718; "SRQ 16; "
50
                 GOTO Idle
60
       Idle:
                       Sbyte=SPOLL(718)
70
       Srq:
80
                       PRINT Sbyte
                      PRINT "INTERRUPT GENERATED"
90
100
               OUTPUT 718; "RQS 0; "
               LOCAL 718
110
           END
120
```

Here, on Line 50, a "command complete" service request is immediately generated, and you can be sure that the routine will work.

# **SUMMARY**

The main points to using service requests are highlighted below.

- 1. Choose the conditions for generating service requests.
- 2. Set a bit mask that enables only these chosen conditions.
- 3. Prepare the computer to accept service requests. Use the ON INTR... COTO and ENABLE INTR statements.
- 4. Once an interrupt is triggered, use the analyzer STB command or the SPOLL statement to read the interrupt.

# **CHAPTER 10**

# TRACE MATH IN THE HP 8562A/B

Trace math in the HP 8562A/B allows easy application of correction data to a trace. Trace math in the HP 8562A/B is performed either in dBm units, when in log mode, or in volts, when in linear mode. Sometimes trace-math results are not intuitive; an explanation of what occurs follows.

### ADDING AND SUBTRACTING IN DBM

The HP 8562A/B trace-math scheme allows easy addition and subtraction of correction values in dBm units. For example, to correct for 3 dB of loss in Trace A data values, you can add or subtract Trace B, which has been preloaded with +3 dBm or -3 dBm as its data values. The two traces can then be added or subtracted using "APB;" or "AMB ON;" and thus eliminate the effects of the loss.

Note that in the example above, the result is an addition or subtraction of dBm and not an addition or subtraction of power. Consider a trace data value of -50 dBm and a second trace data value of -50 dBm. When the two values are added using the APB command, the result is -50 dBm + -50 dBm = -100 dBm. However, if two -50 dBm power sources at two different frequencies are physically summed, the result is a power of -47 dBm. To further illustrate this point, if Trace A is at 3.0 dBm and Trace B is at 7.0 dBm, performing "APB;" moves Trace A to 10.0 dBm (i.e., Trace A would move up on the screen). On the other hand, if Trace A is at -10 dBm and Trace B is at -6.0 dBm, performing "APB" drops Trace A data to -16 dBm, even though Trace B is 4.0 dBm higher in power in both cases. As you can see, the HP 8562A/B is not adding and subtracting physical values, but rather providing an efficient method for calculations in dBm units.

#### Use AMBPL to Correct Data

The AMBPL command provides the most versatile method for applying correction data to a trace. AMBPL subtracts the contents of Trace B from the contents of Trace A and adds the result to the display line. Consider characterising the response of a device under test in a swept-measurement system. Enter the response of the system in Trace B. Insert the device into the system, then enter this response into Trace A. Use AMBPL to subtract the system response from the response with the device under test; the result is the response of the device under test, which is centered about the display line. So, to correct data, use Trace B to store a copy of the uncorrected response and subtract this from new data in Trace A; the result is a corrected response.

If the two traces are identical, as in the following example, result of subtracting these two traces will equal 0 dBm. Note, however, that if the reference level is less than 0 dBm, the results will be off the screen, or even clipped (clipping is described at the end of this chapter). The display line is added to return the result to the screen, with no clipping occurring. Since you can specify the position of the display line, you can move the corrected data to any on-screen position.

#### REMOTE OPERATION

Example 1 illustrates how to correct data remotely. Before running this example, connect the calibration signal to the RF input.

### Example 1

```
10 OUTPUT 718; "IP; SNGLS; CF 299.995MHZ; SP 20KHZ; RB 10KHZ; LG 5DB; TS; "
20 OUTPUT 718; "CLRW TRA; CLRW TRB; TS; TS; "
30 OUTPUT 718; "VIEW TRB; DL -16DBM; "
40 OUTPUT 718; "AMBPL ON; "
50 END
```

Line 10 executes an instrument preset, then uses the calibration signal to simulate uncorrected data. The program sets the reference level to  $-10 \, \mathrm{dBm}$ , the span to 20 kHz, the center frequency to 299.995 MHz, the resolution bandwidth to 10 kHz, the log scale to 5 dB, and the sweep to single mode. Line 20 sets Traces A and B to clear-write mode. The program then executes the take-sweep command twice; this places the trace data in both traces. Line 30 sets Trace B to view mode in order to freeze the data in this trace. Use the display line to indicate where you want the corrected data to appear on the screen; for this example, the display line is set to  $-16 \, \mathrm{dBm}$ . Line 40 executes the function AMBPL. Trace B is subtracted from Trace A; since the traces are identical, the result is a flat response equal to 0 dBm. Note, however, that the reference level is at  $-10 \, \mathrm{dBm}$ ; if this were the end of the calculation, you would not be able to see the result. The display line is added to move the response to  $-16 \, \mathrm{dBm}$  and onto the screen where you can view the result.

# ADDING AND SUBTRACTING IN VOLTS

In linear mode, all trace math is executed in positive-voltage units. This means that the APB command moves Trace A data up the screen, while the AMB command moves Trace A data down the screen (assuming Trace B contains non-zero data).

To illustrate the difference between trace math in log mode and in linear mode, run Example 2. Here, both Trace A and Trace B are set to mid-screen values. When in log mode, the result of executing "AMB ON;" appears at the top of the screen. When in linear mode, the result appears at the bottom of the screen.

```
10
      ! PUT TRACES ON SCREEN
20
      INTEGER Atrace(1:601)
30
      FOR I-1 TO 601
40
      Atrace(I)=300
50
      NEXT I
51
      OUTPUT 718; "IP; LG 10DB; SNGLS; TS; "
      OUTPUT 718 USING "#,K,W,601(W),K";"TDF A;TRA#A",1202,Atrace(*),";"
60
      OUTPUT 718 USING "#,K,W,601(W),K";"TDF A;TRB#A",1202,Atrace(*),";"
61
      OUTPUT 718; "AMB ON; "
71
      PRINT "PRESS CONTINUE"
72
74
   PAUSE
75
      OUTPUT 718; "LN; SNGLS; TS; "
82
      OUTPUT 718 USING "#,K,W,601(W),K";"TDF A;TRA#A",1202,Atrace(*),";"
      OUTPUT 718 USING "#,K,W,601(W),K"; "TDF A; TRB#A",1202, Atrace(*), ";"
83
93
      OUTPUT 718; "AMB ON; "
103
      PAUSE
113
      END
```

# TRACE DATA LIMITS

The displayed amplitude of each trace element falls in one of 600 data points (see Figure 10.1). There are an additional 10 points of overrange. The HP 8562A/B clips results that exceed these limits. The overrange is equal to 1/6 of a division above the reference level. Also, the same clipping algorithm is applied to correction data in a trace (e.g., correction data that you enter into Trace B). For example, if the reference level is 0 dBm the scale is equal to 10 dB per division, the correction values must be within the range of +1.66 dBm to -100.00 dBm (1/6 of 10 dB is equal to 1.66 dB).

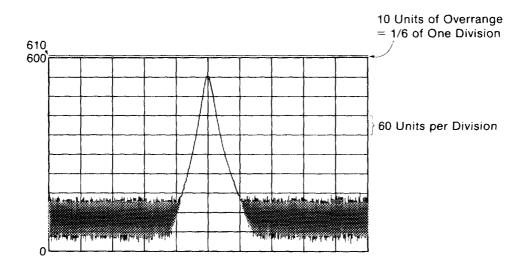


Fig. 10.1. HP 8562A/B display units.

#### REMOTE OPERATION

## Example 2



10	OUTPUT 718; "CF?; ";
20	OUTPUT 718; "AT UP; RL?; "
30	ENTER 718;R1
40	PRINT R1
50	END

In Example 2, even though you wanted to read the reference level, the printed value is equal to the center frequency. The center frequency had been left in the output-data buffer and was the first value to come out of the buffer.

If you are entering multiple values into multiple variables with one ENTER statement, use a "K" format with the ENTER statement. The HP 8562A/B separates queried values by a line feed with an end-or-identify (EOI) asserted; "K" format recognizes that a new value starts after each line feed with EOI. If you omit the USING statement, the ENTER statement will terminate on the first EOI encountered and generate an error.

### BUFFER SPACE

The maximum number of characters that the output-data buffer can hold is 64. In Example 1, the query "MKD?" filled seven character spaces in the output-data buffer. The returned value, "-33.34," fills six spaces; the line feed that separates this value from the next one fills the seventh space. This method is used to enter all queries into the output-data buffer. You can continue to query the analyzer until the queries fill all 64 spaces. The input buffer fills similarly. The query "AT?;" fills four spaces in the input data buffer. The input buffer can hold as many commands as will fill its 64 character capacity. Note that the length of returned frequency values are dependent upon the current resolution bandwidth and frequency counter resolution.

### PREVENTING TIMEOUTS

A program can pause unexpectedly when the output data buffer is completely filled with query values, the input buffer is completely filled with commands, and the spectrum analyzer is currently executing a query. Under this set of conditions, the program will pause indefinitely. The spectrum analyzer is trying to complete the query, but there is simply no more room in the output-data buffer for any more query data and no place to hold the query in the input buffer. If you have a timeout statement in the program, a timeout will occur. To prevent this situation, do not allow query values or commands to stack up in the buffers. Query for only a few values, then read them into variables before you send more queries. If you must leave the output buffer full, do not send more than 64 characters of commands with one OUTPUT statement.

A program may also pause unexpectedly while the spectrum analyzer is executing a command that takes a long time to complete. Consider executing the take-sweep (TS) command when the selected sweep time is equal to 100 seconds. In this case, the TS command requires 100 seconds before it is completed. While this command is executing, the input data buffer fills with 64 characters of commands. When the buffer is full, if there are any remaining commands in that OUTPUT statement, the program will pause. It will start again when the TS command is complete; the spectrum analyzer can then begin processing the commands in the buffer, and the remaining commands in the OUTPUT statement will move into the input data buffer. If you have a timeout statement in your program, the timeout may occur; this depends on whether the timeout setting is shorter than the pause in the program.

#### SYNCHRONIZING YOUR PROGRAM

You can use spectrum analyzer queries to synchronize a program. For example, when executing a TS command, if you want to know when the TS command is complete, execute the DONE command immediately after TS. The DONE query is satisfied only after the sweep has been completed. In fact, you can use any query in this manner. No query operation can take place until after the previous command is complete.

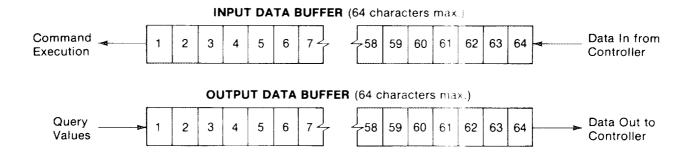
#### **CLEARING THE BUFFERS**

If you use the output-data buffer correctly, the buffer should be clear after the last ENTER statement is executed. But if you want to ensure that the buffer is empty, execute the device clear statement CLEAR 718 or the interface clear statement CLEAR 7. If your program is returning incorrect values, use this statement to clear the buffer; then look through your program for any missing ENTER statements. Or, use CLEAR at the beginning of a program. CLEAR flushes out the output data and input-data buffers; however, it also executes an instrument preset.

#### **SUMMARY**

Figure 11.1 illustrates the input and output data buffers. Below, the causes for the analyzer not accepting data are highlighted.

## REMOTE OPERATION



The spectrum analyzer will stop accepting data under these non exclusive conditions:

- A sweep or lengthy command is not done and the input buffer is full.
- 2. The output buffer is full and the input buffer is full and the command currently executed is a query.

Fig. 11.1. Buffer summary.

# **CHAPTER 12**

## LANGUAGE NOTATION

This chapter contains the language notation for HP 8562A/B programming commands.

#### SYNTAX CONVENTIONS

Circle or Oval: contains literal characters (except for SP, which denotes a space).

Rectangle: syntax elements which are defined below.

Solid Line: represents the recommended path.

Dotted Line: represents an optional path. These paths are not recommended.

Space: use spaces anywhere in the data stream, except within alpha identifiers or while accepting binary data.

Comma: use commas to separate parameters. Spaces are allowed, but not recommended.

Semicolon: use semicolons to terminate commands. Other terminators are available (line feed, carriage return,

space, and comma) but are not recommended.

# **QUERY RESPONSES**

Expected query responses are provided for each command, where applicable. For information on how to query the spectrum analyzer for values, refer to Chapter 11 of this manual.

#### **ELEMENTS IN RECTANGULAR BOXES**

number: reals or integers. Defined for each command where used.

delimiter: string delimiters. ! " % & ' / :  $< = > @ \setminus$ 

data byte: character or numerical data. Defined for each command where used. msb/lsb length: character or numerical data. Defined for each command where used.

# SECONDARY KEYWORDS

#### NOTE

After executing a command with "EP" as a secondary keyword, select a numeric value using the spectrum analyzer DATA keys, STEP keys, or knob. When using the DATA keys, be sure to terminate the value with a units key (such as []], etc.). When using the STEP keys or the knob, terminate the value with

# SECONDARY KEYWORD SUMMARY

A	ampere (unit); A-block data format
ALL	all (marker off, plot screen)
AM	amplitude modulation (DEMOD)
ANNT	annotation
AUTO	automatic operation
В	8-bit byte output format
CURR	current (IF adjustment)
DB	relative decibel (unit)
DBM	absolute decibel milliwatt (unit)
DBMV	absolute decibel millivolt (unit)
DBUV	absolute decibel microvolt (unit)
DM	absolute decibel milliwatt (unit)
DN	decrement the parameter
DSP	display
EP	enable parameter for front panel operator entry
EXT	external
FAV	frequency analog voltage (sweep output)
FM	frequency modulation (DEMOD)
FREE	free run
FULL	full band span width
GHZ	gigahertz (unit)
GRT	graticule
GZ	gigahertz (unit)
HARM	harmonic number (frequency diagnostic)
HI	highest
HZ	hertz
I	I-block data format
INT	internal (reference, mixer mode)
KHZ	kilohertz (unit)
KZ	kilohertz (unit)
LAST	previous state before a change
LAST SPAN	
LINE	line, as in power line
• ~	1 1 11 16 16

local oscillator (frequency diagnostic)

LO

M ASCII display data output format

MA milliamp (unit) MAN manual operation MHZ megahertz (unit) MS millisecond (unit) **MSEC** millisecond (unit)

MROLL main roller oscillator (frequency diagnostic)

MVmillivolt (unit) MW milliwatt (unit) MZ megahertz (unit) **NEG** negative peak detection

NH next highest NL next left

next right NRM normal rosenfell detection OA function query (same as ?)

**OFF** turn function off ON turn function on

**OROLL** offset roller oscillator (frequency diagnostic)

P real number output format **POS** positive peak detection

**PWRON** sets same state as turning power on

off 1

NR

**RAMP** sweep ramp voltage (sweep output)

second (unit) S SC second (unit) **SEC** second (unit) **SMP** sample detection **TRA** display trace A TRB display trace B UA microamp (unit)

UP increment the parameter

UV microvolt (unit) US microsecond (unit)

V volt (unit) **VID** video W watt (unit)

XROLL transfer roller oscillator (frequency diagnostic)

**ZERO** zero span

returns a query response containing

the value or state of the associated

parameter (same as OA)

# **CHAPTER 13**

## PROGRAMMING CODES

#### (functional index)

Alternate commands common to the HP 8562A/B and the HP 8566/8568A are shown in parentheses (). For further information see the section on Backward-Compatible Commands in this guide.

#### **Amplitude Control**

AT Specifies input attenuation.
AT AUTO Couples input attenuation (CA).

AUNITS Specifies amplitude units for input, output and display.

LG Selects log scale.
LN Selects linear scale.

MKRL Moves active marker amplitude to reference level (E4).

ML Specifies mixer level.

RL Specifies reference level.

RLCAL Calibrates reference level.

ROFFSET Specifies reference level offset.

#### Bandwidth Control

RB AUTO Specifies resolution bandwidth. Couples resolution bandwidth (CR).

**RBR** Specifies the coupling ratio of resolution bandwidth and frequency span.

VB Specifies video bandwidth.
VB AUTO Couples video bandwidth (CV).

VBR Specifies coupling ratio of video bandwidth and resolution bandwidth.

#### Coupling Control

AUTOCPL Auto couple all controls.

AT AUTO
RB AUTO
SS AUTO
Auto couple the RF attenuator (CA).
Auto couple resolution bandwidth (CR).
Auto couple center frequency step size (CS).

ST AUTO

Auto couple sweep time (CT).

VB AUTO

Auto couple video bandwidth (CV).

**RBR** Specifies coupling ratio of resolution bandwidth and frequency span. **VBR** Specifies coupling ratio of video bandwidth and resolution bandwidth.

#### Demodulation

**DEMOD** Demodulation.

**DEMODAGC** Demodulation auto gain control.

**DEMODT** Demodulation time.

**SQUELCH** Squelch control for demodulation.

VOL Sets speaker volume.

#### Display Control

ANNOT Turns annotation on or off. Preset condition is on.

AUNITS Specifies amplitude units for input, output, and display.

DL Specifies display line level in dBm.

DLE Turns display line on and off (L0).

FDSP Turns all frequency display annotation off. Power-on preset is only way to

turn back on.

GRAT Turns graticule on or off. Preset condition is on.

LG Selects log scale.
LN Selects linear scale.

TH Specifies display threshold value.

#### **External Mixing**

CNVLOSS Sets reference level offset to compensate for external mixer conversion loss.

**FULBAND** Sets start and stop frequencies for full waveguide bands.

HNLOCK
HNUNLK
Unlocks to specified harmonic number.
Unlocks the specified harmonic number.
Sets center frequency to frequency of SIGID.
Returns frequency of identified signal.
MBIAS
Specifies the bias level for external mixers.

MKPX Specifies minimum excursion for peak identification. Default value is 6 dB.

**MXRMODE** Specifies either internal or external mixing.

**SIGID** Identifies signals for external mixing frequency bands.

#### Frequency Control

**CF** Specifies center frequency.

SS AUTO Couples center frequency step size (CS).

FA Specifies start frequency.
FB Specifies stop frequency.
FOFFSET Specifies frequency offset.

**FREF** Specifies the frequency reference source.

FS Specifies full frequency span as defined by instrument state.

FULBAND Sets the start and stop frequency for full waveguide band. (external mixing only)

MKFCR Specifies resolution of frequency counter.

SP Specifies frequency span.

Specifies center frequency step size.

#### Information and Service Diagnostics

**ADJALL** Initiates power-on adjustment sequence. **ADJCRT** Initiates CRT adjustment patterns. Initiates IF adjustment sequence. **ADJIF** ERR? Returns list of instrument error codes.

ET? Elapsed time.

**FDIAG** Returns frequency of specified oscillator.

ID? Returns the HP model number of analyzer used (HP 8562A/B).

**PSDAC** Returns preselector DAC setting at frequency of marker. REV? Returns analyzer revision number.

Calibrates reference level. RLCAL

RQS Returns decimal weighting of status byte bits which are enabled during service request.

SER? Returns analyzer serial number.

#### Instrument State Control

IP Sets instrument parameters to preset values.

**RCLS** Recalls previously saved state (RC). **PSTATE** Protect saved states (save lock).

SAVES Saves current state of the analyzer in the specified register (SV).

#### Marker Control

**MKA** Amplitude of active marker (MA).

**MKCF** Enters marker frequency into center frequency (E2). Moves delta marker to specified frequency (M3). MKD **MKDR** Marker delta reciprocal, readout in time.

**MKF** Frequency of active marker (MF).

**MKFC** Counts marker frequency for greater resolution (See MKFCR).

Specifies resolution of marker frequency counter. **MKFCR MKMIN** Moves marker to minimum signal detected.

Moves marker to specified frequency or center screen (M2). MKN

Returns average noise value at marker, normalized to 1 Hz bandwidth. **MKNOISE** 

**MKOFF** Turns the active marker off (M1). **MKPK** Moves marker to signal peak (E1). **MKPT** Specifies marker peak threshold.

Specifies minimum excursion for peak identification. Default value is 6 dB. **MKPX** 

Moves active marker to reference level (E4). **MKRL MKSP** Moves marker delta frequency into span.

**MKSS** Moves marker frequency to center frequency step size (E3).

**MKSWP** Marker sweep.

Positions marker at point corresponding to the time from beginning of sweep. MKT

**MKTRACE** Moves marker to same position on another trace. MKTRACK Turns marker signal track on (MT1) or off (MT0).

#### Plotter Output

PLOT Sends analyzer display to a plotter.

**PLOTORG** Scaling points for plot. Specifies plot source. **PLOTSRC** 

#### Preselector Control

PP

Peaks preselector.

**PSDAC** 

Preselector peak data.

#### Service Request

**RQS** 

Specifies the decimal weighting of status byte bits which are allowed during service

request. Set to 0 with powerup or device clear.

**SRQ** 

Sets service request if operand bits are allowed by RQS.

STB

Returns the decimal equivalent of the bits set in the status byte.

BIT	DECIMAL	DEFINITION
7		Not used.
6	64	Request service.
5	32	Error present in error register.
4	16	Command complete
3	_	Not used.
2	4	End of sweep.
1	2	Message occurred.
0	0	Cleared.

#### Sweep and Trigger Control

**CONTS** 

Selects continuous sweep mode (S1).

ST

Specifies sweep time.

ST AUTO

Couples sweep time.

**SNGLS** 

Selects single sweep mode (S2).

TM

Selects trigger mode: free run (T1), video (T4), line (T2), external (T3).

TS

Takes a sweep.

VTL

Video trigger level.

#### Synchronization

TS

Takes a sweep.

DONE?

Returns a 1 when task has been completed.

#### **Trace Functions**

#### Processing

**BLANK** Stores and blanks specified trace register (A4|B4).

Clear-writes specified trace register (A1|B1). **CLRW** Holds the minimum trace register values. MINH Max holds the specified trace register (A2|B2). **MXMH** 

Recall specified trace data. **RCLT** Save specified trace data. **SAVET** Input/output trace A. TRA Input/output trace B. TRB

Views specified trace register (A3|B3). **VIEW** 

Math

**AMB** A-B into A (C1|C2). A-B + DL into A. **AMBPL** A+B into A. APB

Exchanges A and B (EX). **AXB** 

B-DL into B (BL). BML

**VAVG** Turns video averaging on or off.

Other

**AUNITS** Specifies amplitude units for input, output, and display.

Specifies input detector type. **DET** 

Writes specified ASCII characters in title block area of display. TITLE

#### Operator Entry

Holds or disables data entry and blanks active function CRT readout. HD

#### **Output Format Control**

**AUNITS** Specifies amplitude units for input, output, and display.

MKA? Returns marker amplitude (MA). Returns marker frequency (MF). MKF? Specifies the sweep output. **SWPOUT** TRA? Outputs trace A (TA).

TRB? Outputs trace B (TB).

Selects trace data output format as binary (B) or real numbers (P) in Hz, volts, dB or **TDF** 

watts. Preset is P.

"Magazaire"

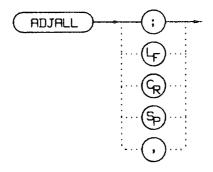
# **CHAPTER 14**

## PROGRAMMING COMMANDS

This chapter contains the HP 8562A/B programming commands. Each spectrum analyzer command is described here. Before using this part of the manual, you may wish to refer to Chapter 5 of the Pocket Operating Guide or Chapters 6-11 of this manual.

# ADJALL LO AND IF ADJUSTMENTS

#### **SYNTAX**



## **DESCRIPTION**

The ADJALL command activates the local oscillator (LO) and intermediate frequency (IF) alignment routines. These are the same routines that occur when (LO) is switched on. Commands following ADJALL are not executed until after the analyzer has finished the alignment routines.

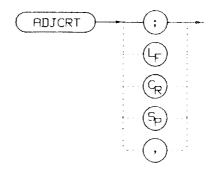
## **EXAMPLE**

10 OUTPUT 718; "ADJALL; ";

20 END

# ADJCRT ADJUST CRT ALIGNMENT

#### **SYNTAX**



#### DESCRIPTION

The ADJCRT command activates a CRT adjustment pattern, shown in Figure 14.1. Use the X POSN, Y POSN, and TRACE ALIGN adjustments (available from the rear panel) to align the display. Place the CRT stencil that has been included with the spectrum analyzer on the CRT. Use X POSN and Y POSN to move the display horizontally and vertically, respectively. Use TRACE ALIGN to line the trace within the graticule. To remove the pattern from the screen, execute the IP command.

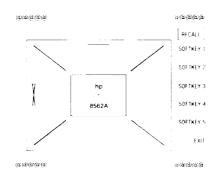
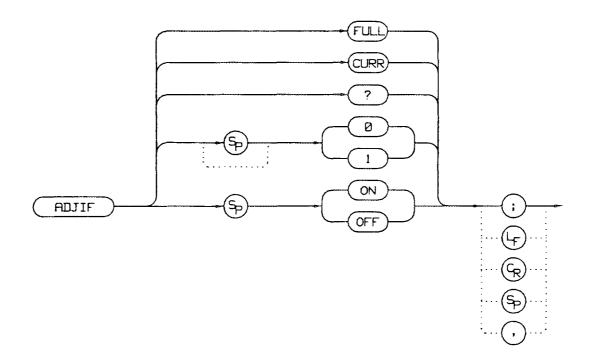


Fig. 14.1. CRT alignment pattern. X POSN moves the display left and right; Y POSN moves the display up and down. TRACE ALIGN rotates the display.

```
10
          OUTPUT 718; "ADJCRT; ";
20
          OUTPUT 2; CHR$(255)&"K";
30
          PRINT TABXY(0,1); "PLACE STENCIL ON ANALYZER DISPLAY"
40
          PRINT TABXY(0,3); "USE X POSN AND Y POSN "
          PRINT TABXY(0,4); "TO LINE UP THE DISPLAY WITH THE STENCIL"
50
60
          INPUT "THEN PRESS ENTER", Ans$
70
          OUTPUT 718; "IP; ";
80
          END
```

# ADJIF ADJUST IF

## **SYNTAX**



# **DESCRIPTION**

The ADJIF command turns the automatic IF adjustment on or off. This function is normally on. Because the IF is continuously adjusting, IF calibration is seldom necessary. When the IF adjustment is not active, an "A" appears on the left side of the display.

## **PARAMETERS**

FULL: IF adjustment is done for all IF settings

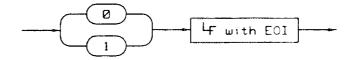
CURR: IF adjustment is done only for the IF settings currently displayed

OFF: Turns the IF adjustment off ON: Reactivates the IF adjustment

# PRESET STATE

On

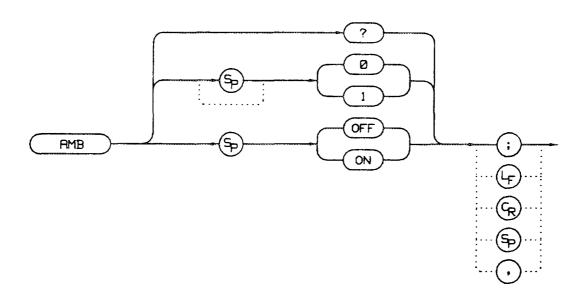
# QUERY RESPONSE



10	OUTPUT 718; "ADJIF OFF; "
20	OUTPUT 718; ADJIF?; ;
30	ENTER 718; Adjif
40	PRINT Adjif
50	END

# AMB TRACE A MINUS TRACE B

#### **SYNTAX**



# **DESCRIPTION**

The AMB command subtracts the contents of Trace B from Trace A and places the result, in dBm (when in log mode), in Trace A. When in linear mode, the result is in volts. If Trace A is in clear-write or max-hold mode, this function is continuous. When this function is active, an "M" appears on the left side of the display. The command AMBPL overrides AMB. For more information on trace math, refer to Chapter 10.

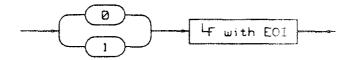
#### **NOTE**

The displayed amplitude of each trace element falls in one of 600 data points. There are 10 points of overrange, which corresponds to 1/6 of a division of overrange. When adding or subtracting trace data, any results exceeding this limit are clipped at the limit.

# PRESET STATE

Off

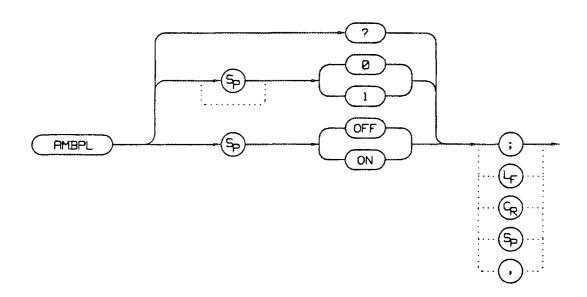
# QUERY RESPONSE



10	OUTPUT 718;"IP;"
20	OUTPUT 718; "CLRW TRB; TS; VIEW TRB; AMB ON;"
30	OUTPUT 718; "AMB?"
40	ENTER 718; Amb
50	PRINT Amb
60	END

# AMBPL TRACE A MINUS TRACE B PLUS DISPLAY LINE

## **SYNTAX**



#### DESCRIPTION

The AMBPL command subtracts the contents of Trace B from Trace A, adds the display line to this value, and stores the result, in dBm (when in log mode), in Trace A. When in linear mode, the result is in volts. If Trace A is in clear-write or max-hold mode, this function is continuous. When this function is active, an "M" appears on the left side of the display. AMBPL overrides the AMB command.

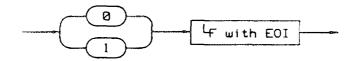
#### **NOTE**

The displayed amplitude of each trace element falls in one of 600 data points. There are 10 points of overrange, which corresponds to 1/6 of a division of overrange. When adding or subtracting trace data, any results exceeding this limit are clipped at the limit.

# PRESET STATE

Off

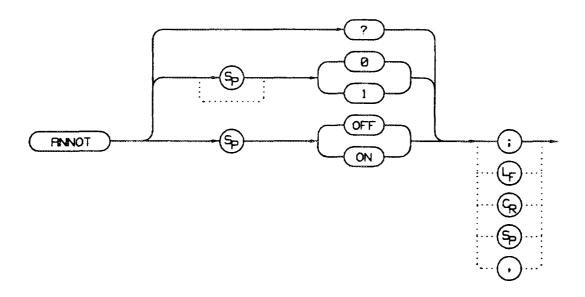
# QUERY RESPONSE



10	OUTPUT 718; "IP; "
20	OUTPUT 718; "CLRW TRB; TS; VIEW TRB; DL -50DBM;"
30	OUTPUT 718; "AMBPL ON; "
40	OUTPUT 718; "AMBPL?;"
50	ENTER 718; Ambp1
60	PRINT Ambpl
70	END

# ANNOT ANNOTATION ON/OFF

# **SYNTAX**



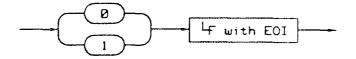
# **DESCRIPTION**

The ANNOT command turns the display annotation off or on.

# PRESET STATE

On

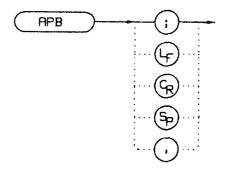
# QUERY RESPONSE



10	OUTPUT 718;"IP;"
20	OUTPUT 718; "ANNOT OFF; "
30	OUTPUT 718; "ANNOT?; "
40	ENTER 718; Annot
50	PRINT Annot
60	END

# APB TRACE A PLUS TRACE B

## **SYNTAX**



## **DESCRIPTION**

The APB command adds the contents of Trace A to Trace B and stores the result, in dBm (when in log mode), in Trace A. When in linear mode, the results are in volts. Trace A is placed in view mode. This command is done immediately and not on a repetitive basis.

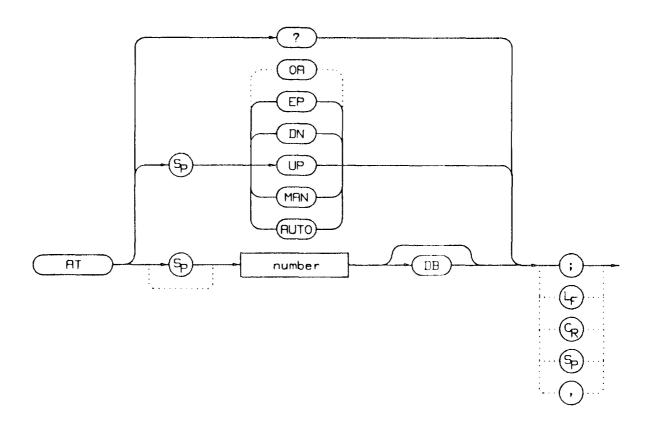
#### NOTE

The displayed amplitude of each trace element falls in one of 600 data points. There are 10 points of overrange, which corresponds to 1/6 of a division of overrange. When adding or subtracting trace data, any results exceeding this limit are clipped at the limit.

10	OUTPUT	718; "IP; SNGLS; "		
20	OUTPUT	718; "TS; VIEW TRA; CLRW	TRB; TS; VIEW	TRB:"
30	OUTPUT	718; "APB; BLANK TRB; "		-
40	END			

# AT INPUT ATTENUATION

# **SYNTAX**



# **DESCRIPTION**

The AT command sets the amount of attenuation between the input and the first mixer.

The attenuation may be set to 0 dB only by numeric entry.

# **PARAMETERS**

number: integer from 0 to 70, in decade increments. Numbers are rounded up to the nearest decade.

AUTO: sets the attenuation to coupled mode. MAN: sets the attenuation to manual mode. UP/DN: changes the attenuation by 10 dB.

# PRESET STATE

Coupled mode, 10 dB

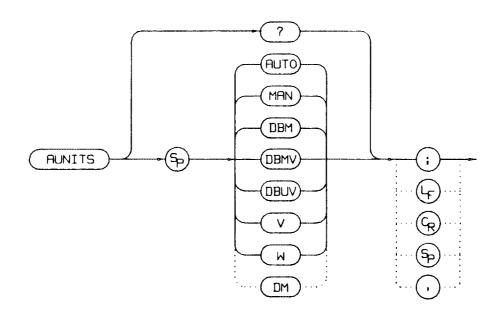
# **QUERY RESPONSE**



10	OUTPUT 718; "AT UP; "
20	OUTPUT 718; "AT?"
30	ENTER 718; At
40	PRINT At
50	END

# AUNITS ABSOLUTE AMPLITUDE UNITS

## **SYNTAX**



## **DESCRIPTION**

The AUNITS command sets the absolute amplitude units for the input signal and the display. AUNITS will affect the query responses of the following commands: MKA, TRA/TRB (when in P-format), DL, RL, SQUELCH, TH, and VTL.

## **PARAMETERS**

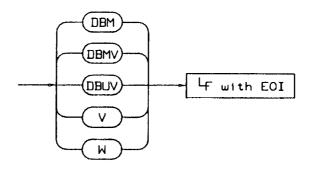
AUTO: sets amplitude units to coupled mode. For a log scale, the units default to dBm; for a linear scale, units default to volts.

MAN: sets amplitude units to manual mode.

# PRESET STATE

Coupled mode, dBm

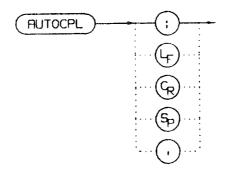
# **QUERY RESPONSE**



10	OUTPUT 718; "AUNITS DBUV; "
20	OUTPUT 718; "AUNITS?; "
30	ENTER 718; Aunits\$
40	END

# AUTOCPL AUTO COUPLED

## **SYNTAX**



## **DESCRIPTION**

The AUTOCPL command sets the video bandwidth, the resolution bandwidth, the input attenuator, the sweep time, and the center frequency step-size to coupled mode. These functions can be recoupled individually or all at once. The spectrum analyzer chooses appropriate values for these functions. The video bandwidth and resolution bandwidth are set according to the coupled ratios stored under the softkeys VBW:RBW or RBW:SPAN or the ratios selected using the RBR or VBR commands. If no ratios are chosen, default ratios (0.011 and 1.0, respectively) are used instead.

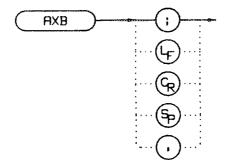
## **EXAMPLE**

10 OUTPUT 718; "AUTOCPL;"

20 END

# AXB TRACE A EXCHANGE TRACE B

## **SYNTAX**



# **DESCRIPTION**

The AXB command exchanges the contents of Trace A with those of Trace B. If the traces are in clear-write or max-hold mode, the mode is changed to view. Otherwise, the traces remain in their initial mode.

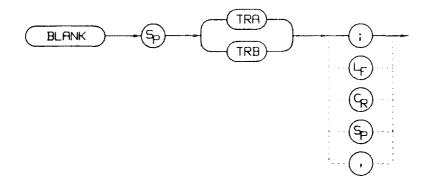
# **EXAMPLE**

10 OUTPUT 718; "AXB; "

20 END

# BLANK BLANK TRACE

## **SYNTAX**



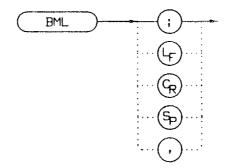
# **DESCRIPTION**

The BLANK command blanks the chosen trace from the display. The current contents of the trace remain in the trace but are not updated.

10	OUTPUT	718; "BLANK TRA; "
20	OUTPUT	718; "CLRW TRB; "
30	END	

# **BML** TRACE B MINUS DISPLAY LINE

## **SYNTAX**



## **DESCRIPTION**

The BML command subtracts the display line from Trace B and places the result in dBm, when in log mode, in Trace B, which is then set to view mode. In linear mode, the results are in volts.

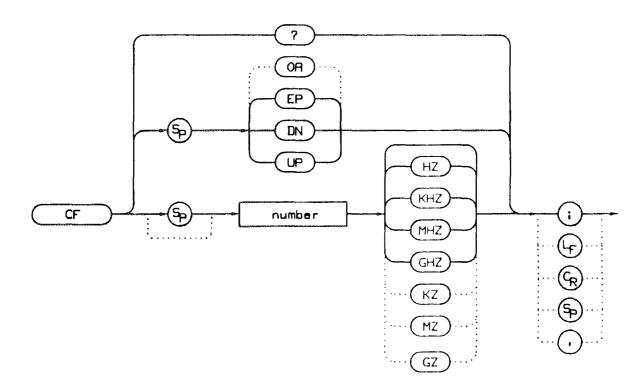
#### **NOTE**

The displayed amplitude of each trace element falls into one of 600 data points. There are 10 additional points of overrange, which corresponds to 1/6 of a division. When adding or subtracting trace data, any results exceeding the limits are clipped at that limit.

- 10 OUTPUT 718; "IP; " 20 OUTPUT 718; "BLANK TRA;" 30 OUTPUT 718; "CLRW TRB; TS; DL -50DBM;" 40 OUTPUT 718; "BML; "
- 50 **END**

# CF CENTER FREQUENCY

## **SYNTAX**



# **DESCRIPTION**

The CF command sets the center frequency and sets the spectrum analyzer to center frequency/span mode. The span remains constant; the start and stop frequencies change as the center frequency changes.

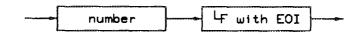
## **PARAMETERS**

number: real from 0 to 22 E+9 (18 E+9 to 325 E+9 in external mixer mode). UP/DN: 10% of the frequency span or the amount set by the SS command.

# PRESET STATE

12.38 GHz (HP 8562A) 1.45 GHz (HP 8562B)

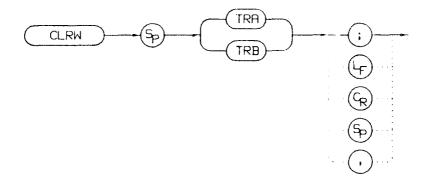
# **QUERY RESPONSE**



10	OUTPUT 718;"IP;"
20	OUTPUT 718; "CF 300MHZ; SP 20MHZ; TS; "
30	OUTPUT 718; "CF?;"
40	ENTER 718;Cf
50	PRINT Cf
60	END

# CLRW CLEAR WRITE

# **SYNTAX**



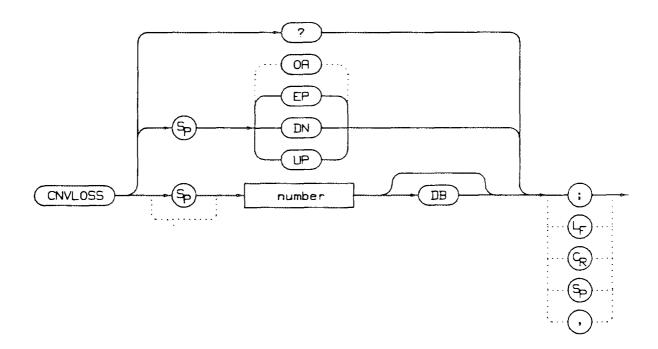
## **DESCRIPTION**

The CLRW command sets the chosen trace to clear-write mode. This mode sets each element of the chosen trace to the bottom-screen value; then new data from the detector is put in the trace with each sweep.

10	OUTPUT	718;"IP;"		
20	OUTPUT	718; "BLANK	TRA; CLRW	TRB;"
30	END			

# CNVLOSS CONVERSION LOSS

## **SYNTAX**



## **DESCRIPTION**

The CNVLOSS command compensates for losses outside the instrument when in external mixer mode (such as losses within connector cables, external mixers, etc.). CNVLOSS specifies the mean conversion loss for the current harmonic band. In a full frequency band (such as band K), the mean conversion loss is defined as the minimum loss plus the maximum loss for that band divided by two. Adjusting for conversion loss allows the system to remain calibrated, (i.e., the displayed amplitude values have the conversion loss incorporated into them). The default value for any band is 30 dB. The spectrum analyzer must be in external-mixer mode in order for this command to work. When in internal-mixer mode, quering CNVLOSS returns a zero.

#### **PARAMETERS**

number: any real UP/DN: 0.1 dB

# PRESET STATE

30 dB

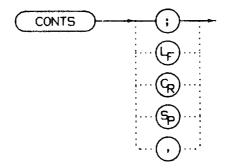
# QUERY RESPONSE



10	OUTPUT 718; "IP; MXRMODE EXT; "
20	INPUT "ENTER THE DESIRED FREQUENCY BAND (KAQUVEWFDGY OR J)", Fulband\$
30	OUTPUT 718; "FULBAND "; Fulband\$; "; "
40	INPUT "ENTER IN THE DESIRED CENTER FREQUENCY IN GHZ", Cf
50	INPUT "ENTER IN THE CONVERSION LOSS FOR THAT FERQUENCY", Loss
60	OUTPUT 718; "CF "; Cf; "GHZ; SP 10 MHZ; "
70	OUTPUT 718; "CNVLOSS "; Loss; "DB; "
80	END

# CONTS CONTINUOUS SWEEP

### **SYNTAX**



## **DESCRIPTION**

The CONTS command activates the continuous-sweep mode. This mode enables another sweep at the completion of the current sweep once the trigger conditions are met.

### PRESET STATE

On

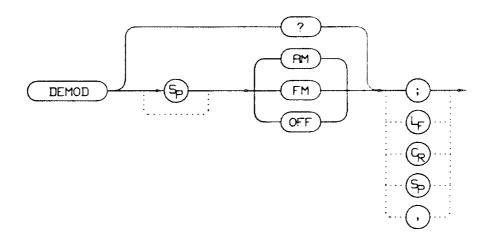
### **EXAMPLE**

10 OUTPUT 718; "CONTS; "

20 END

## DEMOD DEMODULATION

### **SYNTAX**



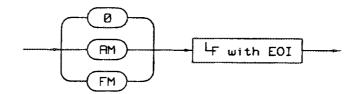
### **DESCRIPTION**

The DEMOD command activates either AM or FM demodulation or turns the demodulation off. Place a marker on a desired signal and then activate DEMOD; demodulation takes place on this signal. If no marker is on, DEMOD automatically places a marker at the center of the trace and demodulates the frequency at that marker position. Use the VOL command to activate the speaker and listen.

#### PRESET STATE

Off

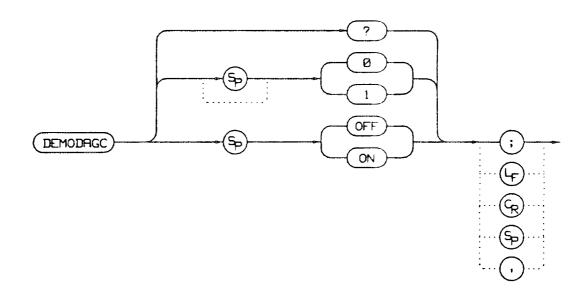
# **QUERY RESPONSE**



10	OUTPUT 718; "IP; "
20	OUTPUT 718; "FA 88MHZ; FB 108MHZ; "
30	OUTPUT 718; "MKN EP;"
40	PRINT "MOVE MARKER TO SIGNAL TO BE DEMODULATED; PRESS HOLD"
50	PRINT "THEN PRESS CONTINUE"
60	PAUSE
70	INPUT "ENTER DEMODULATION TIME (.1 SEC - 60 SEC)", Dtime
80	OUTPUT 718; "DEMODT "; Dtime; "SEC; "
90	OUTPUT 718; "DEMOD FM; "
100	LOCAL 718
110	PRINT "ADJUST VOLUME AND SQUELCH AS NECESSARY"
120	END

# DEMODAGC DEMODULATION AUTOMATIC GAIN CONTROL

### **SYNTAX**



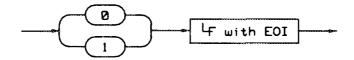
### **DESCRIPTION**

The DEMODAGC command turns the demodulation automatic gain control (AGC) on or off. The AGC keeps the volume of the speaker relatively constant during AM demodulation. AGC is available only during AM demodulation and when the frequency span is greater than 0 Hz.

### PRESET STATE

Off

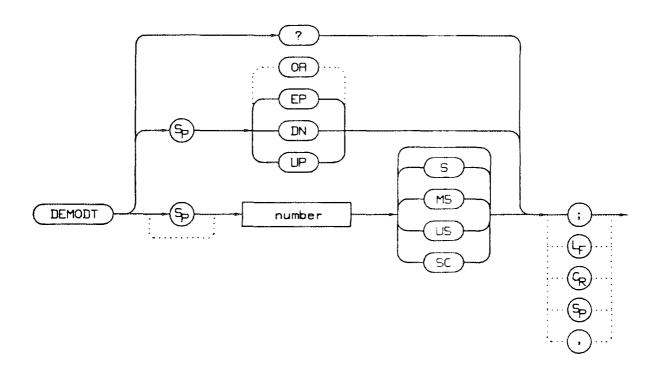
# **QUERY RESPONSE**



20 OUTPUT 718; "FA 550KHZ; FB 1600KHZ; "
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30 OUTPUT 718;"MKN EP;"
40 PRINT "MOVE MARKER TO SIGNAL TO BE DEMODULATED; PRESS HO
50 PRINT "THEN PRESS CONTINUE"
60 PAUSE
70 INPUT "ENTER DEMODULATION TIME (.1 - 60 SEC)", Dtime
80 OUTPUT 718; "DEMODT "; Dtime; "SEC; "
90 OUTPUT 718; "DEMOD AM; DEMODAGC ON; "
100 LOCAL 718
110 PRINT "ADJUST VOLUME AND SQUELCH AS NECESSARY"
120 END

# DEMODT DEMODULATION TIME

### **SYNTAX**



### **DESCRIPTION**

The DEMODT command selects the amount of time that the sweep pauses at the marker to demodulate a signal. The default value is 1 second. When the frequency span equals 0 Hz, demodulation is continuous.

### **PARAMETER**

number: real from 100 E-3 to 60.

UP/DN: increments in a 1, 2, 5, 10 sequence.

## PRESET STATE

Off

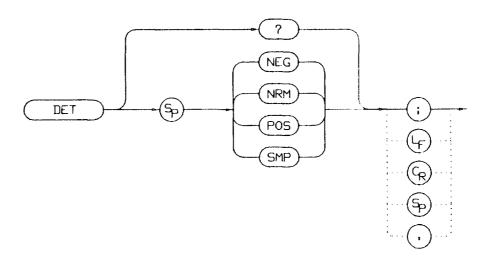
# QUERY RESPONSE



10	OUTPUT 718;"IP;"
20	OUTPUT 718; "FA 88MHZ; FB 108MHZ; "
30	OUTPUT 718; "MKN EP;"
40	PRINT "MOVE MARKER TO SIGNAL TO BE DEMODULATED; PRESS HOLD"
50	PRINT "THEN PRESS CONTINUE"
60	PAUSE
70	INPUT "ENTER DEMODULATION TIME (.1 SEC - 60 SEC)", Dtime
80	OUTPUT 718; "DEMODT "; Dtime; "SEC; "
90	OUTPUT 718; "DEMOD FM;"
100	LOCAL 718
110	PRINT "ADJUST VOLUME AND SQUELCH AS NECESSARY"
120	END

# DET DETECTION MODES

#### **SYNTAX**



#### DESCRIPTION

The DET command specifies the IF detector used for acquiring measurement data. This is normally a coupled function, in which the spectrum analyzer selects the appropriate detector mode. Four modes are available: normal, positive, negative, and sample. The modes are described below. When a mode other than normal is chosen, a "D" appears on the left side of the display.

#### **PARAMETERS**

NEG: selects the negative peak detector. The minimum signal values are displayed.

NRM: selects the normal peak detector, which displays both positive and negative peak values. The noise floor is made up of alternately selecting the positive peak and negative peak detectors. When a signal is encountered, the positive peak detector is used.

POS: selects the positive peak detector. The maximum signal values are displayed.

SMP: selects the sample mode, which places the instantaneous signal value of the a/d conversion in memory.

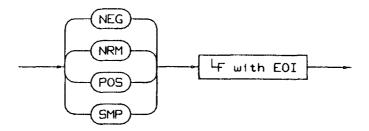
If no detector mode is specified, the following rules determine the chosen detector.

- 1: If video averaging or marker noise functions are on, or if the video bandwidth is less than 300 Hz, the detector is set to sample mode.
- 2: If the maximum-hold trace mode is on, the positive peak detector is used.
- 3: If the minimum-hold trace mode is on, the negative peak detector is used.
- 4: If none of the above rules apply, the normal detector is used.
- 5: If more than one of the above rules apply, the first rule listed determines the detector used.

### PRESET STATE

Coupled mode, normal detector

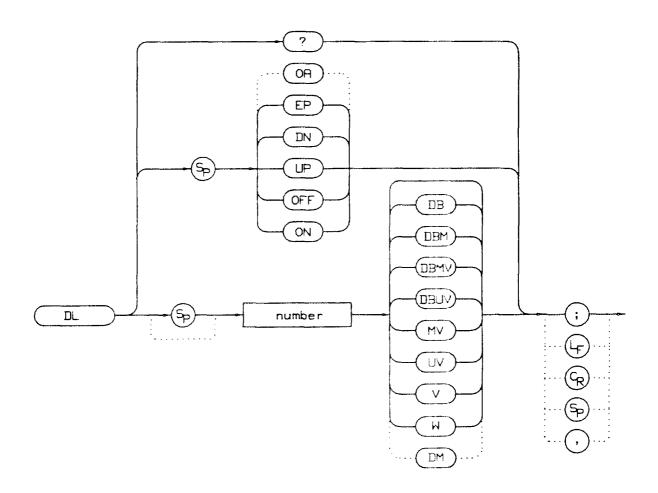
## **QUERY RESPONSE**



10	INPUT "SELECT A DETECTOR MODE (NEG, NRM, POS, OR SMP)", Det\$
20	OUTPUT 718; "DET "; Det\$; "; "
30	PRINT "CHOSEN DETECTOR MODE IS ",Det\$
40	END

# DL DISPLAY LINE

### **SYNTAX**



## **DESCRIPTION**

The DL command activates a horizontal display line for use as a visual aid or for computational purposes. The default value is 0 dBm.

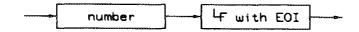
## **PARAMETERS**

number: real. Dependent upon the selected amplitude units. UP/DN: changes the display line by one vertical division

## PRESET STATE

Off

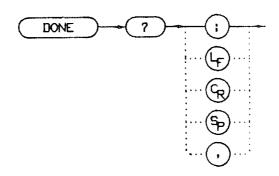
# **QUERY RESPONSE**



10	INPUT "ENTER START FREQUENCY, IN MHZ", Fa
20	INPUT "ENTER STOP FREQUENCY, IN MHZ", Fb
30	OUTPUT 718; "AUNITS DBUV; "
40	OUTPUT 718; "FA "; Fa; "MHZ; "
50	OUTPUT 718; "FB "; Fb; "MHZ; "
60	OUTPUT 718; "DL 48DBUV; "
70	END

# DONE DONE

### **SYNTAX**



### **DESCRIPTION**

The DONE command sends a "1" to the controller when all commands in a command string entered before DONE have been completed. Sending a TS command before DONE ensures that the spectrum analyzer will complete a full sweep before continuing on in a program.

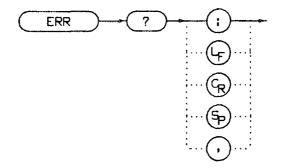
# **QUERY RESPONSE**



10	OUTPUT 718; "IP; CF 12GHZ; SP 2GHZ; TS; DONE?; "
20	ENTER 718; Done
30	PRINT "COMMAND STRING IS DONE"
40	END

## ERR ERROR

### **SYNTAX**



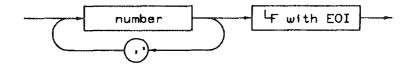
#### **DESCRIPTION**

The ERR command outputs a list of errors present. An error code of 0 means there are no errors present. For a list of HP-IB remote-operation error codes and descriptions, refer to Appendix B. For other error codes, refer to the Installation and Support Manual. Executing ERR clears all HP-IB errors. For best results, enter error data immediately after querying for errors.

### PRESET STATE

Remote error list cleared. (Persistent errors are reentered into the error list.)

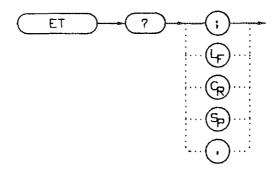
### **QUERY RESPONSE**



```
DIM Err$[200]
           OUTPUT 718; "ERR?; "
20
30
           ENTER 718; Err$
40
           PRINT Err$
50
           Position comma=POS(Err$,",")
           IF Position comma>0 THEN
60
70
              !MULTIPLE ERRORS
80
              First error=VAL(Err$)
              PRINT First_error
90
100
               Err$=Err$[POS(Err$,",")+1]
110
               REPEAT
120
                  Position comma=POS(Err$,",")
130
                  Next_error=VAL(Err$)
                  PRINT Next error
140
150
                  IF Position_comma THEN Err$=Err$[POS(Err$,",")+1]
160
               UNTIL Position comma=0
170
            ELSE
180
               Err=VAL(Err$)
190
               IF Err⇔0 THEN
200
                PRINT Err
210
                ELSE
220
                PRINT "NO ERRORS"
230
                END IF
240
           END
```

# ET ELAPSED TIME

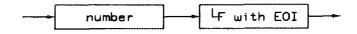
### **SYNTAX**



### **DESCRIPTION**

The ET command returns to the controller the elapsed time (in hours) since the last servicing. This value is reset to 0 by Hewlett-Packard at the time of servicing.

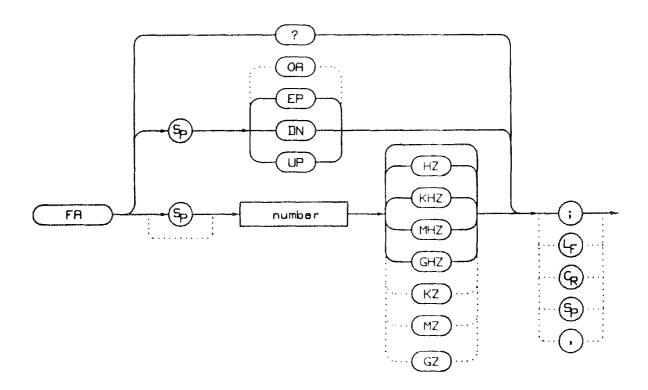
# **QUERY RESPONSE**



10	DIM Et\$[5]
20	OUTPUT 718; "ET?; "
30	ENTER 718; Et\$
40	PRINT Et
50	END

# FA START FREQUENCY

### **SYNTAX**



### **DESCRIPTION**

The FA command sets the start frequency and sets the spectrum analyzer to start frequency/stop frequency mode. If the start frequency exceeds the stop frequency, the stop frequency is set equal to the start frequency. The center frequency and span change with changes in the start frequency.

#### **PARAMETERS**

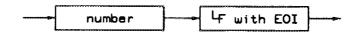
number: real from 0 to 22 E+9 (18 E+9 to 325 E+9 in external mixer mode).

UP/DN: increments in 10% of span.

# PRESET STATE

2.75 GHz (HP 8562A) 0 Hz (HP 8562B)

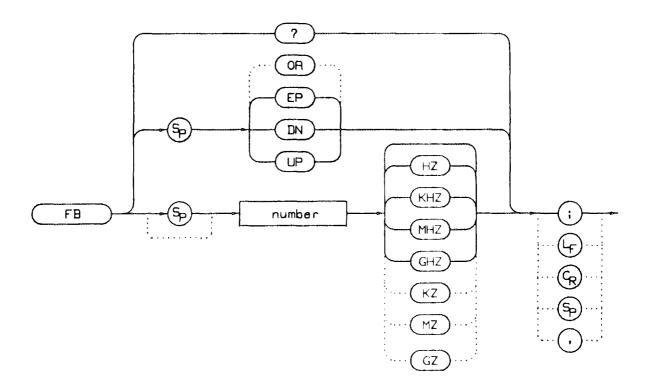
# **QUERY RESPONSE**



10	OUTPUT 718; "FA 88MHZ; FB 108MHZ;	11
20	OUTPUT 718; "FA?; "	
30	ENTER 718; Fa	
40	PRINT Fa	
50	END	

# FB STOP FREQUENCY

### **SYNTAX**



### **DESCRIPTION**

The FB command sets the stop frequency and sets the spectrum analyzer to start frequency/stop frequency mode. If the stop frequency is less than the start frequency, the start frequency is set equal to the stop frequency. The center frequency and span change with changes in the stop frequency.

### **PARAMETERS**

number: real from 0 to 22 E+9 (18 E+9 to 325 E+9 in external mixer mode).

UP/DN: increments in 10% of span.

## PRESET STATE

22.0 GHz (HP 8562A) 2.9 GHz (HP 8562B)

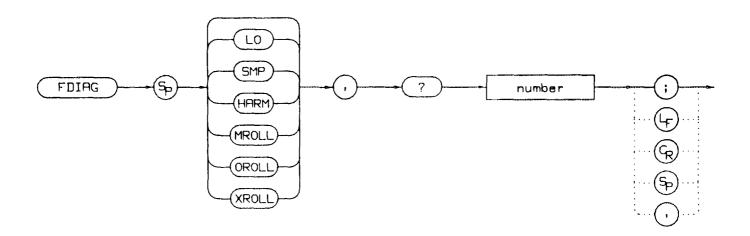
# **QUERY RESPONSE**



10	OUTPUT 718; "FA 88MHZ; FB 108MHZ; "
20	OUTPUT 718; "FB?; "
30	ENTER 718; Fb
40	PRINT Fb
50	END

# FDIAG FREQUENCY DIAGNOSTICS

#### **SYNTAX**



### **DESCRIPTION**

The FDIAG command activates the frequency diagnostic routine, which returns the frequency of the specified oscillator.

### **PARAMETERS**

LO: returns the first local oscillator frequency corresponding to the current start frequency.

SMP: returns the sampling oscillator corresponding to the current start frequency.

HARM: returns the sampler harmonic number corresponding to the current start frequency.

MROLL: returns the main roller oscillator frequency corresponding to the current start frequency.

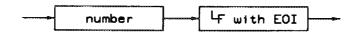
OROLL: returns the offset roller oscillator frequency corresponding to the current start frequency.

XROLL: returns the transfer roller oscillator frequency corresponding to the current start frequency.

### NOTE

In multiband sweeps, the above frequencies correspond to the band being swept when the command is executed.

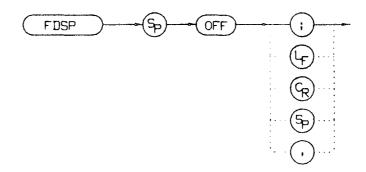
# **QUERY RESPONSE**



10	OUTPUT	718; "FDIAG	SMP,?;"		
20	ENTER	718; Fdiag			
30	PRINT	"DIAGNOSTIC	FREQUENCY	IS	",Fdiag
40	END		-		

# FDSP FREQUENCY DISPLAY OFF

### **SYNTAX**



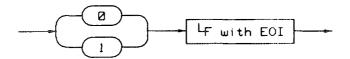
### **DESCRIPTION**

The FDSP command turns off all annotation that describes the spectrum analyzer frequency setting. This includes the start and stop frequencies, the center frequency, the frequency span, marker readouts, the center frequency step-size, and signal identification to center frequency. To retrieve the frequency data, query the spectrum analyzer. To reactivate the annotation, execute the IP command.

### PRESET STATE

Off

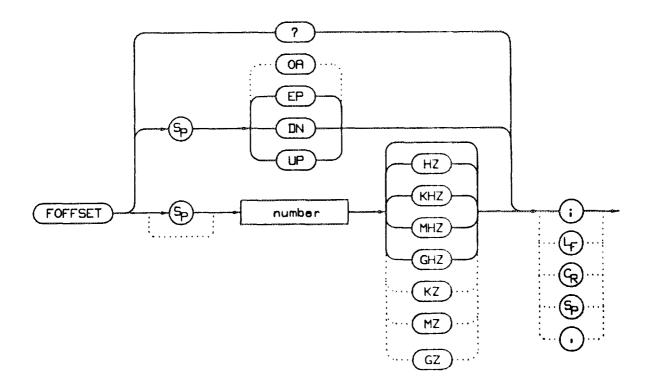
## **QUERY RESPONSE**



10	OUTPUT 718; "FDSP OFF; "
20	OUTPUT 718; "FDSP?; "
30	ENTER 718; Fdsp
40	PRINT Fdsp
50	END

# FOFFSET FREQUENCY OFFSET

### **SYNTAX**



### **DESCRIPTION**

The FOFFSET command adds a specified offset to the displayed absolute-frequency values, including marker-frequency values. It does not affect the frequency range of the sweep, nor does it affect relative frequency readouts. When this function is active, an "F" appears on the left side of the display.

### **PARAMETERS**

number: real from 0 to 22 E+9. UP/DN: changes by 20% of span.

# PRESET STATE

Off

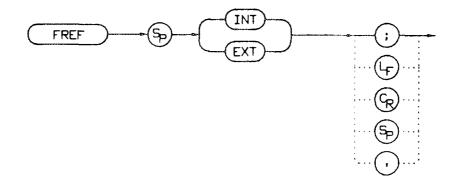
# **QUERY RESPONSE**



10	INPUT "ENTER DESIRED FREQUENCY OFFSET IN HERTZ", Foffset
20	OUTPUT 718; "FOFFSET "; Foffset; "HZ; "
30	OUTPUT 718; "FOFFSET?; "
40	ENTER 718; Foffset
50	PRINT "THE FREQUENCY OFFSET IS", Foffset, "HZ"
60	END

# FREF FREQUENCY REFERENCE

### **SYNTAX**



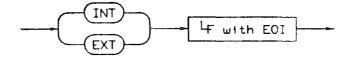
### **DESCRIPTION**

The FREF command specifies the frequency reference source. Select either the internal frequency reference (INT) or supply your own external reference (EXT). An external reference must be 10 MHz ( $\pm$ 100 Hz) at a minimum amplitude of 0 dBm. Connect the external reference to J9 on the rear panel. When the external mode is selected, an "X" appears on the left edge of the display.

### PRESET STATE

Internal

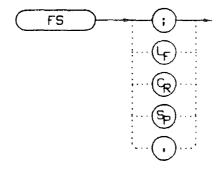
# **QUERY RESPONSE**



10	INPUT "WHAT IS THE FREQUENCY REFERENCE SOURCE (INT OR EXT)", Src
20	OUTPUT 718;"FREF ";Src\$;";"
30	PRINT "SOURCE SELECTED IS", Src\$
40	END

# FS FULL SPAN

## **SYNTAX**



## **DESCRIPTION**

The FS command selects the full frequency span as defined by the instrument. The full span for low band (0-2.9 GHz) is 2.9 GHz; for high band (2.75-22 GHz), the full span is 19.25 GHz.

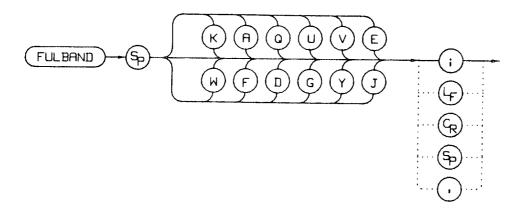
## **EXAMPLE**

10 OUTPUT 718; "FS; "

20 END

# FULBAND FULL BAND

### **SYNTAX**



### **DESCRIPTION**

The FULBAND command selects a commonly-used, external-mixer frequency band, as shown in Table 14.1. The harmonic lock function (HNLOCK) is also set; this locks the harmonic of the chosen band.

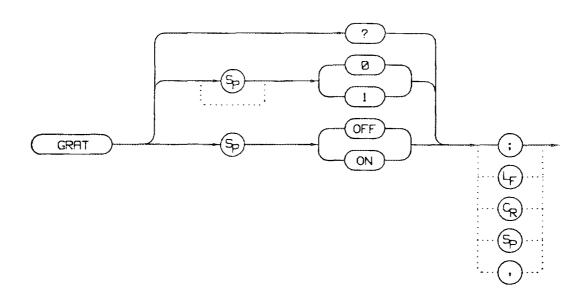
FREQUENCY BAND	FREQUENCY RANGE (GHz)	MIXING HARMONIC	CONVERSION LOSS
K	18.0 - 26.5	6-	30 dB
A	26.5 - 40.0	8.	30 dB
O	33.0 - 50.0	10 -	30 dB
U	40.0 - 60.0	10 -	30 dB
V	50.0 - 75.0	14-	30 dB
E	60.0 - 90.0	16-	30 dB
W	75.0 - 110.0	18 -	30 dB
r	90.0 - 140.0	24 -	30 dB
D	110.0 - 170.0	30 -	30 dB
G	140.0 - 220.0	36 -	30 dB
Y	170.0 - 260.0	44	30 dB
J	220.0 - 325.0	54 -	30 dB

Table 14.1. External-mixer frequency bands.

10	OUTPUT 718; "IP; MXRMODE EXT; "
20	INPUT "ENTER THE DESIRED FREQUENCY BAND (KAQUVEWFDGY OR J)", Fulband\$
30	OUTPUT 718; "FULBAND "; Fulband\$; "; "
40	OUTPUT 718; "MKN EP;"
50	PRINT "POSITION THE MARKER ON THE DESIRED SIGNAL"
60	PRINT "PRESS HOLD, THEN PRESS CONTINUE"
70	PAUSE
80	OUTPUT 718; "SNGLS; TS; SIGID AUTO; DONE?; "
90	ENTER 718; Done
100	OUTPUT 718; "IDFREQ?;"
110	ENTER 718; Idfreq
120	IF Idfreq⇔0 THEN
130	PRINT Idfreq
140	ELSE
150	PRINT "NO SIGNAL FOUND"
160	END IF
170	END

# GRAT GRATICULE ON/OFF

# **SYNTAX**



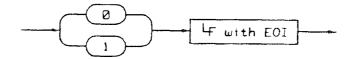
## **DESCRIPTION**

The GRAT command turns the display graticule on or off.

## PRESET STATE

On

# QUERY RESPONSE

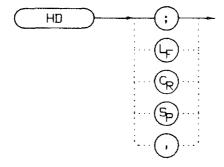


10	OUTPUT 718; "GRAT OFF; "
20	OUTPUT 718; "GRAT?; "
30	ENTER 718; Grat
40	PRINT Grat
50	END



# HD HOLD

### **SYNTAX**



### **DESCRIPTION**

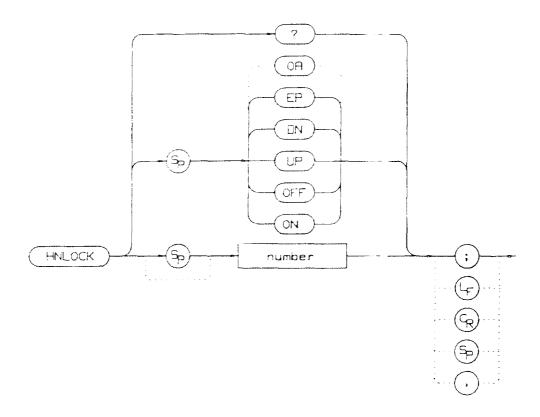
The HD command freezes the active function at its current value. If no function is active, no operation takes place.

## **EXAMPLE**

10 OUTPUT 718;"IP;CF 300MHZ;SP 20MHZ;HD;"
20 END

# HNLOCK HARMONIC NUMBER LOCK

#### **SYNTAX**



#### **DESCRIPTION**

The HNLOCK command locks a chosen harmonic so only that harmonic is used to sweep an external frequency band. To select a frequency band, use a harmonic number or refer to the FULBAND command. Table 14.2 shows the frequency bands and the harmonics that sweep each band. Note that FNLOCK also works in internal-mixing modes.

Once FULBAND or HNLOCK are set, only center frequencies and spane that fall within the frequency band of the current harmonic may be entered. When the FS command is activated, the span is limited to the frequency band of the selected harmonic.

MODE	FREQUENCY RANGE (GHz)	MIXING HARMONIC
	2.75 - 6.48	
NTERNAL	5.69 - 13.03	2-
	12.38 - 19.70	3.
	19 03 - 22 10	4.
	18 00 - 26 50	6.
	26.50 - 40.00	8.
	33.00 - 50.00	10 -
	40.00 - 60.00	10
	50.00 - 75.00	14
XTERNAL	60.00 - 90.00	16 -
	75.00 - 110.00	18 -
	90.00 - 140,00	24 -
	110.00 - 170.00	30 -
	140.00 - 220.00	36 -
	170.00 - 260.00	44
	220.00 - 325.00	54 -

Table 14.2. Frequency bands and the corresponding LO harmonic.

### **PARAMETERS**

number: integer from 1 to 54 (for best results, choose from harmonic numbers shown in Table 14.2). UP/DN: increments of 1.

### PRESET STATE

Off

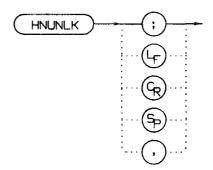
# **QUERY RESPONSE**



10	OUTPUT 718; "IP; MXRMODE EXT; "
20	INPUT "SELECT THE START FREQUENCY, IN GHZ", Fa
30	INPUT "SELECT THE STOP FREQUENCY, IN GHZ", Fb
40	INPUT "ENTER HARMONIC DESIRED TO SWEEP RANGE", Harm
50	OUTPUT 718; "FA "; Fa; "GHZ; "
60	OUTPUT 718; "FB "; Fb; "GHZ; "
70	OUTPUT 718; "HNLOCK "; Harm; "; "
80	END

# HNUNLK UNLOCK HARMONIC NUMBER

#### **SYNTAX**



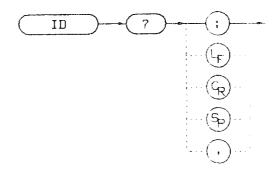
#### **DESCRIPTION**

The HNUNLK command unlocks the harmonic number, allowing you to select frequencies and spans outside the range of the locked harmonic number. Also, when HNUNLK is executed, more than one harmonic can then be used to sweep across a desired span. For example, sweep a span from 18 GHz to 40 GHz. In this case, the analyzer will automatically sweep first using 6-, then using 8-.

10	OUTPUT	718; "IP; MXRMODE EXT; FULBAND Q; "
20	OUTPUT	718; "FA 18GHZ; FB 40GHZ; "
30	OUTPUT	718; "HNUNLK; "
40	END	

# ID OUTPUT IDENTIFICATION

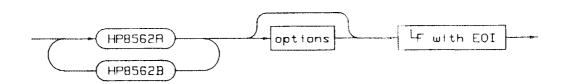
#### **SYNTAX**



#### **DESCRIPTION**

The ID command returns the model number of the spectrum analyzer (HP 8562A or HP 8562B) and any options installed.

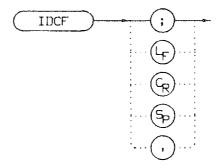
# **QUERY RESPONSE**



10	DIM Id\$[8]
20	OUTPUT 718;"ID?;"
30	ENTER 718; Id\$
40	PRINT Id\$
50	END

# IDCF SIGNAL IDENTIFICATION TO CENTER FREQUENCY

#### **SYNTAX**



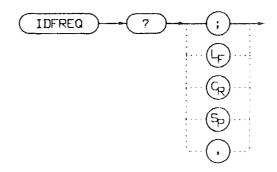
#### **DESCRIPTION**

The IDCF command sets the center frequency to the frequency obtained from the command SIGID. SIGID must be in AUTO mode and have found a valid result for this command to execute properly. For use on signals less than 22 GHz.

10	OUTPUT 718; "SIGID AUTO; "
20	OUTPUT 718; "IDCF; "
30	OUTPUT 718; "CF?;"
40	ENTER 718;Cf
50	PRINT Cf
60	END

# IDFREQ SIGNAL IDENTIFIED FREQUENCY

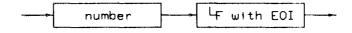
#### **SYNTAX**



#### **DESCRIPTION**

The IDFREQ command returns the frequency of the last identified signal. After an instrument preset or an invalid signal identification, IDFREQ returns a 0.

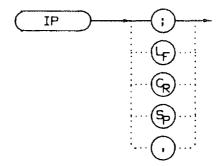
# **QUERY RESPONSE**



10	OUTPUT 718; "IDFREQ?; "
20	ENTER 718; Idfreq
30	PRINT Idfreq
40	END

# IP INSTRUMENT PRESET

#### **SYNTAX**



#### **DESCRIPTION**

The IP command sets the spectrum analyzer to a known, predefined state, shown in Table 14.3. IP does not affect the contents of any data or trace registers or stored preselector data. IP does not clear the input or output data buffers; to clear these, execute the statement CLEAR 718. Include the TS command after IP when the next command will operate on trace data (such as TRA).

#### LANGUAGE REFERENCE

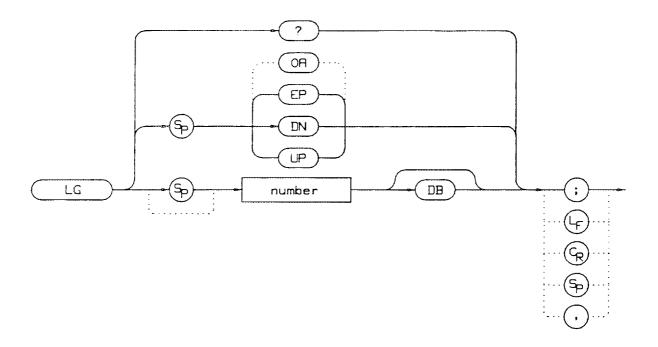
FUNCTION			STATE	
™© MODE			R-SPAN	
CENTER FREO		12.38	GHz (HP 8562A	). 1.45 GHz (HP 80020)
		19 25	GHz (HP.8562A	) 1.45 GHz (HP 88828)
			GHz. AUTO	
FREQ OFFSET			MHz. OFF	
O Mary DEF	1		ERNAL	
REFERENCE LEVEL	1	0		
MIPUT ATTENUATION			dB. AUTO	
MAX MIXER LEVEL	İ		₫ <b>B</b> m	
0000 000 17 000 000 1 0000 0 T	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		dBm, OFF	
MER (EVE), OFFSET			dB/DIV.	
VERTICAL SCALE		1.0	dBm, AUTO	
			ON	
ACTO IF ADJUST	i di sese	0		
			DRMAL	
BESCLUTION BW			MHz, AUTO	
	#		MHz, AUTO	
VIII TIIN PARO		1		
POW SPAN PATIO		011		
YOUN AVERAGE			, OFF	
SWEEP TIME			ms, AUTO	
TRIGGER NODE		CONTINU	ous	
TRIGGER SOURCE		FREE	RUN	
VIDEO TRIGILEVEL		ņ	dBm	
SWEEP CONTROL		0	-10V LO-SWEER	PAMP
MAHRERS			OFF	
MOISE MARKER			OFF	
SIGNAL THACK			OFF	
PEAK THRESHOLD		-120	dBm	
PEAK EXCURSION			<b>ර</b> පි	
FRECHENCY COUNTER			OFF	
FREQUENCY COUNTER RESC	LETION	10	kHz	
THACE:A	LOTION	CLEAR-W		
TRACE B			ANK	
	1	FORM		
THACE-BATA	1	r Crim	OFF	
A 8 DA			OFF	
A B CISPLAYLINE->A		11.11.00.000111 oo.	dBm, OFF	
DISPLAY LIME	1			
THRESHOLD			dBm, OFF	
GRATICULE			ON	
ANNOTATION		Andread in the	ON	
FREQUENCY DISPLAY OFF			LEAR	
DEMODULATION		OFF AM	OFF	
DEMODULATION TIME		1	sec	
SOUE! CH	1		OFF	
SQUELCH LEVEL		-120	dBm	
***			OFF	
V. 1. U.M. 1			0	
SESSIAL IDENTIFICATION			OFF	
W 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8			INT	
EXT MIXER LO HARMONIC	1		6	
SEXES CONVILOSS		30.0		
SAND LOCK			OFF	

Table 14.3. HP 8562A/B preset state

10	OUTPUT	718; "IP; SNGLS; "
20	END	

# LG LOGARITHM SCALE

## **SYNTAX**



## **DESCRIPTION**

The LG command selects a 1, 2, 5, or 10 dB logarithmic amplitude scale. When in linear mode, querying LG returns a zero.

# **PARAMETERS**

number: 1, 2, 5, or 10.

UP/DN: increments in a 1, 2, 5, 10 sequence.

#### LANGUAGE REFERENCE

# PRESET STATE

10 dB/div

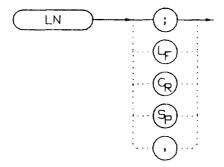
# QUERY RESPONSE



10	OUTPUT	718;"LG 10DB;"
20	OUTPUT	718; "AUNITS DBMV;"
30	OUTPUT	718; "TS; MKPK HI; MKRL; "
40	OUTPUT	718;"LG 2DB;"
50	END	

# LN LINEAR SCALE

## **SYNTAX**



#### **DESCRIPTION**

The LN command selects a linear amplitude scale. Measurements made on a linear scale can be read out in volts or watts.

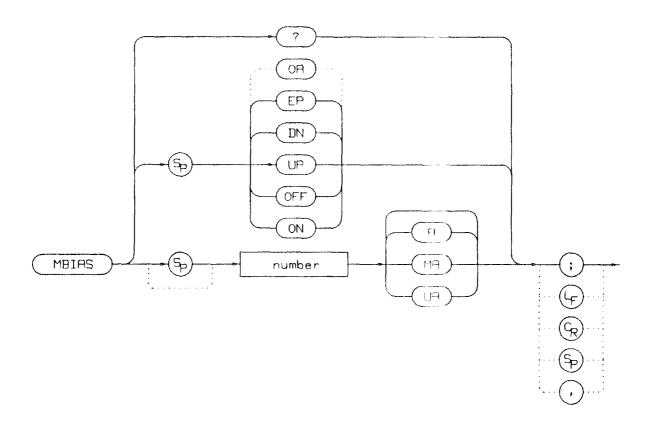
## **EXAMPLE**

OUTPUT 718;"LN;" 10

20

# MBIAS MIXER BIAS

#### **SYNTAX**



#### **DESCRIPTION**

The MBIAS command sets the bias for an external mixer that requires diode bias for efficient mixer operation. The bias, which is provided on the center conductor of the IF input, is activated when MBIAS is executed. A "+" or "-" appears on the left edge of the spectrum analyzer display, indicating that positive or negative bias is on. When the bias is turned off, MBIAS is set to 0.

CAUTION

The open-circuit voltage can be a great as  $\pm 3.5$  V through a source resistance of 300 ohms. Such voltage may appear when recalling an instrument state in which an active bias has been stored.

#### NOTE

The bias value that appears on the spectrum analyzer display is expressed in terms of short-circuit current (i.e., the amount of current that would flow if the IF line were shorted to ground). The actual amount of current flowing into the mixer will be less.

## **PARAMETERS**

number: any real.

UP/DN: increments of 0.01 mA.

#### PRESET STATE

Off

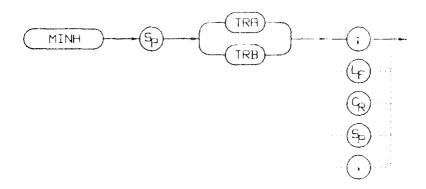
## **QUERY RESPONSE**



10	OUTPUT 718; "IP; MXRMODE EXT; FULBAND U; "
20	OUTPUT 718;"MKN EP;"
30	PRINT "MOVE THE MARKER TO THE DESIRED SIGNAL"
40	PRINT "PRESS HOLD THEN PRESS CONTINUE"
50	PAUSE
60	INPUT "ENTER THE BIAS VALUE, IN MA", Bias
70	OUTPUT 718;"MBIAS ";Bias;"MA;"
80	OUTPUT 718; "MBIAS EP;"
90	PRINT "ADJUST BIAS IF NECESSARY"
100	PRINT "PRESS HOLD THEN PRESS CONTINUE"
110	PAUSE
120	OUTPUT 718; "SIGID AUTO; TS; DONE?; "
130	ENTER 718; Done
140	PRINT Done
150	END

# MINH MINIMUM HOLD

#### **SYNTAX**



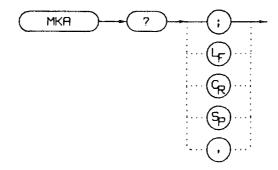
## **DESCRIPTION**

The MINH command updates the chosen trace with the minimum signal level detected at each trace-data point from subsequent sweeps. This function employs the negative peak detector (refer to the DET command).

10	OUTPUT 718; "IP; SNGLS; "
20	INPUT "ENTER START FREQUENCY, IN MHZ", Fa
30	INPUT "ENTER STOP FREQUENCY, IN MHZ", Fb
40	OUTPUT 718;"FA ";Fa;"MHZ;"
50	OUTPUT 718;"FB ";Fb;"MHZ;"
60	OUTPUT 718;"TS;MINH TRA;"
70	OUTPUT 718; "TS; MKPK HI; MKD; "
80	OUTPUT 718; "TS; MKPK NH; MKA?; AUNITS?; "
90	<pre>ENTER 718 USING "K";Difference,Aunits\$</pre>
100	PRINT "DIFFERENCE IN AMPLITUDE IS ", Difference, Aunits\$
110	END

# MKA MARKER AMPLITUDE

#### **SYNTAX**



## **DESCRIPTION**

The MKA command returns the amplitude of the active marker. If no marker is active, MKA places a marker at the center of the trace and returns that amplitude value.

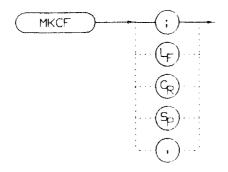
# **QUERY RESPONSE**



10	OUTPUT 718; "IP; SNGLS; "
20	INPUT "ENTER IN DESIRED CENTER FREQUENCY, IN MHZ", Cf
30	INPUT "ENTER IN DESIRED FREQUENCY SPAN, IN MHZ", Sp
40	OUTPUT 718; "CF "; Cf; "MHZ; "
50	OUTPUT 718; "SP "; Sp; "MHZ; "
60	OUTPUT 718;"TS;MKPK HI;"
70	OUTPUT 718;"MKA?;AUNITS?;"
80	ENTER 718 USING "K";Mka,Aunits\$
90	PRINT "HIGHEST PEAK IS",Mka,Aunits\$
100	END

# MKCF MARKER TO CENTER FREQUENCY

#### **SYNTAX**



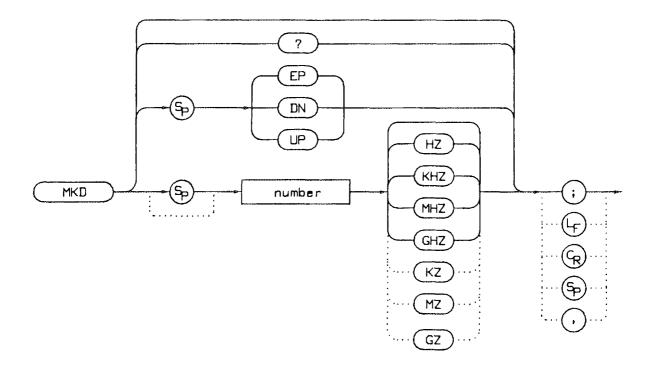
## **DESCRIPTION**

The MKCF command sets the center frequency to the frequency value of an active marker.

10	OUTPUT 718;"IP;SNGLS;";
20	INPUT "ENTER IN DESIRED START FREQUENCY, IN MHZ", Fa
30	INPUT "ENTER IN DESIRED STOP FREQUENCY, IN MHZ", Fb
40	OUTPUT 718;"FA ";Fa;"MHZ;"
50	OUTPUT 718;"FB ";Fb;"MHZ;"
60	OUTPUT 718; "TS; MKPK HI; MKCF; TS; "
70	END

## MKD MARKER DELTA

#### **SYNTAX**



#### **DESCRIPTION**

The MKD command places a second marker on the trace. The number specifies the distance in frequency or time (when in zero span) between the two markers.

#### **PARAMETERS**

number: real from 12.9 E+9 to 2.9 E+9 in low band or from -22.9 E+9 to 22 E+9 in high band (-3.7 E+9 to 307 E+9 in external mixer mode).

UP/DN: increments in 10% of span.

# LANGUAGE REFERENCE

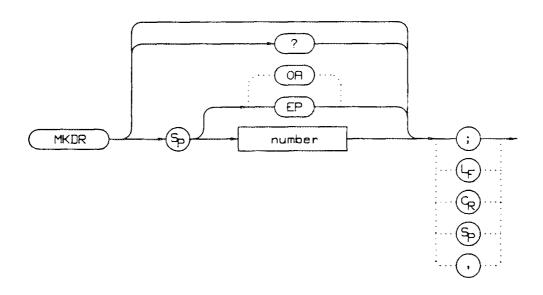
# QUERY RESPONSE



10	OUTPUT 718; "IP; CF 450MHZ; SP 400MHZ; "
20	OUTPUT 718; "TS; MKPK HI; MKD 300MHZ;"
30	OUTPUT 718; "MKPK HI; MKD; MKPK NH; MKD?; "
40	ENTER 718; Mkd
50	PRINT Mkd
60	END

## MKDR RECIPROCAL OF MARKER DELTA

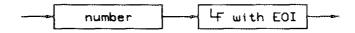
#### **SYNTAX**



## **DESCRIPTION**

The MKDR command returns the reciprocal of the frequency or time (when in zero span) difference between two markers.

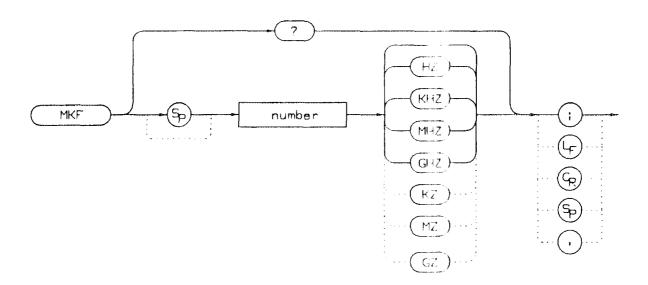
# **QUERY RESPONSE**



10	OUTPUT 718; "CF 300MHZ; SP 200MHZ;;"
20	OUTPUT 718; "TS; MKPK HI; MKD; MKPK NH; MKDR?;"
30	ENTER 718; Period
40	PRINT "THE TIME PERIOD IS ", Period
50	END

# MKF MARKER FREQUENCY

#### **SYNTAX**



#### **DESCRIPTION**

The MKF command places an active marker on the chosen frequency or can be queried to return the frequency of the active marker.

#### **PARAMETERS**

number: real from 0 to 22 E+9.

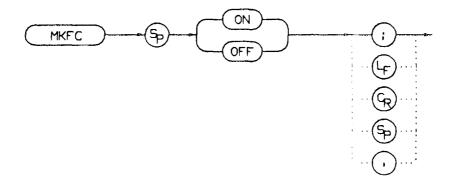
# **QUERY RESPONSE**



10	OUTPUT 718; "CF 300MHZ; SP 20MHZ; MKF 290MHZ; "
20	OUTPUT 718; "TS; MKPK HI; MKF?; "
30	ENTER 718; Marker freq
40	PRINT Marker freq
50	END

# MKFC FREQUENCY COUNTER

#### **SYNTAX**



#### **DESCRIPTION**

The MKFC command activates a frequency counter that counts the frequency of the active marker or the difference in frequency between two markers. If no marker is active, MKFC places a marker at the center of the trace and counts that marker frequency. The frequency counter provides a more accurate frequency reading; it pauses at the marker, counts the value, then continues the sweep. To adjust the frequency counter resolution, use the MKFCR command.

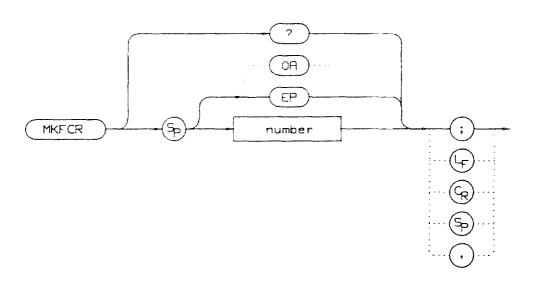
#### PRESET STATE

Off

10	INPUT "ENTER IN THE DESIRED CENTER FREQUENCY, IN MHZ", Freq
20	INPUT "ENTER IN THE DESIRED FREQUENCY SPAN, IN MHZ", Span
30	OUTPUT 718;"IP;CF ";Freq;"MHZ;"
40	OUTPUT 718; "SP "; Span; "MHZ; "
50	INPUT "ENTER IN DESIRED FREQUENCY-COUNTER RESOLUTION, IN HZ", Resolut
	ion
60	OUTPUT 718; "MKFCR "; Resolution; "HZ; ",
70	OUTPUT 718; "MKN EP;"
80	PRINT "PLACE THE MARKER ON THE DESIRED SIGNAL"
90	PRINT "PRESS HOLD THEN PRESS CONTINUE"
100	PAUSE
110	OUTPUT 718; "MKFC ON;"
120	END

# MKFCR FREQUENCY COUNTER RESOLUTION

#### **SYNTAX**



#### **DESCRIPTION**

The MKFCR command specifies the resolution of the frequency counter. Refer to the MKFC command. The default value is 10 kHz.

#### **PARAMETERS**

number: 10 Hz to 1 MHz, in powers of ten.

# **QUERY RESPONSE**

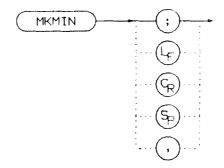


10	INPUT "ENTER IN THE DESIRED CENTER FREQUENCY, IN MHZ", Freq
20	INPUT "ENTER IN THE DESIRED FREQUENCY SPAN, IN MHZ", Span
30	OUTPUT 718;"IP;CF ";Freq;"MHZ;"
40	OUTPUT 718; "SP "; Span; "MHZ;"
50	INPUT "ENTER IN DESIRED FREQUENCY-COUNTER RESOLUTION, IN HZ", Resolut
	ion
60	OUTPUT 718; "MKFCR "; Resolution; "HZ; ",
70	OUTPUT 718; "MKN EP; "
80	PRINT "PLACE THE MARKER ON THE DESIRED SIGNAL"
90	PRINT "PRESS HOLD THEN PRESS CONTINUE"
100	PAUSE
110	OUTPUT 718; "MKFC ON;"
120	OUTPUT 718; "MKF?; "
130	ENTER 718; Freq_count
140	PRINT "FREQUENCY IS", Freq_count, "HZ"
150	END

#### LANGUAGE REFERENCE

## MKMIN MARKER TO MINIMUM

#### **SYNTAX**



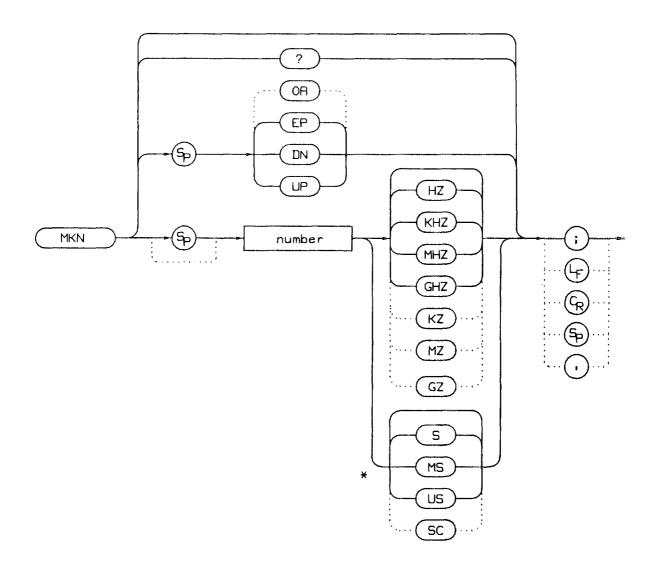
#### **DESCRIPTION**

The MKMIN command places an active marker on the minimum signal detected on a trace.

```
10
          OUTPUT 718; "IP; SNGLS; "
          INPUT "ENTER IN THE START FREQUENCY, IN MHZ", Start_freq
20
30
          INPUT "ENTER IN THE STOP FREQUENCY, IN MHZ", Stop_freq
          OUTPUT 718;"FA ";Start_freq;"MHZ"
40
          OUTPUT 718; "FB "; Stop_freq; "MHZ; "
50
60
          OUTPUT 718; "TS; MKPK HI; MKD; MKMIN; TS; MKF?; "
70
          ENTER 718; Delta_freq
          OUTPUT 718; "MKA?;"
80
90
          ENTER 718; Delta amp
          PRINT "DIFFERENCE IN FREQUENCY IS ", Delta freq, "HZ"
100
          PRINT "DIFFERENCE IN AMPLITUDE IS", Delta_amp, "DB"
110
120
          END
```

# MKN MARKER NORMAL

#### **SYNTAX**



#### **DESCRIPTION**

The MKN command places an active marker on the specified frequency. If no frequency is specified, MKN places the marker at the center of the trace. When in zero span, querying MKN returns the center frequency.

#### LANGUAGE REFERENCE

## **PARAMETERS**

number: real from 0 to 22 E+9 (18 E+9 to 325 E+9 in external mixer  $\bmod e$ ).

UP/DN: increments in 10% of span.

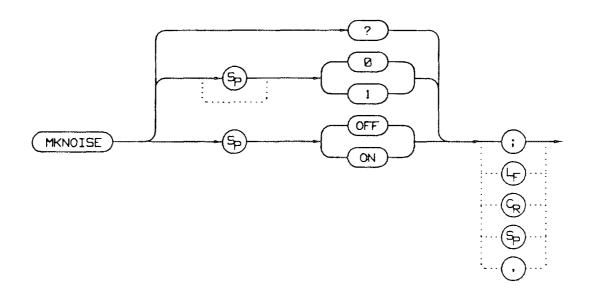
# **QUERY RESPONSE**



10	INPUT "ENTER IN THE START FREQUENCY, IN MHZ", Start freq
20	INPUT "ENTER IN THE STOP FREQUENCY, IN MHZ", Stop_freq
30	OUTPUT 718;"IP;FA ";Start_freq;"MHZ"
40	OUTPUT 718;"FB ";Stop_freq;"MHZ;"
50	OUTPUT 718; "MKN EP; "
60	PRINT "PLACE THE MARKER ON THE DESIRED SIGNAL"
70	PRINT "PRESS HOLD THEN PRESS CONTINUE"
80	PAUSE
90	OUTPUT 718; "MKN?; "
100	ENTER 718; Mkn
110	PRINT "MARKER FREQUENCY IS ", Mkn, "HZ"
120	END

## MKNOISE MARKER NOISE

#### **SYNTAX**



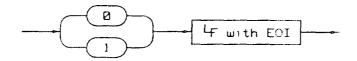
#### **DESCRIPTION**

MKNOISE sets the detector mode to sample and computes the average of 32 data points (16 points on one side of the marker, the marker itself, and 15 points on the other side of the marker). This average is corrected for effects of the log amplifier, bandwidth shape factor, IF detector, and resolution bandwidth. If two markers are on (whether in marker delta mode or 1/marker delta mode), MKRNOISE works on the active marker and not on the anchor marker. This allows you to directly measure signal-to-noise ratio. In linear mode, the value returned is equal to  $\frac{V_1}{V_2} \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{RBW}}$  (RBW=resolution bandwidth). To query the value, use the MKA command.

#### PRESET STATE

Off

## **QUERY RESPONSE**



#### **EXAMPLE**

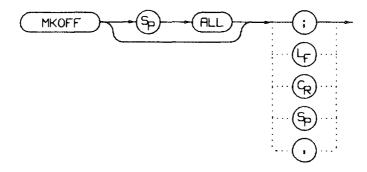
90

OUTPUT 718; "CF 300MZ; SP 10MZ; DET SMP; TS; MKPK HI; MKA?; "
ENTER 718; Amp\_1
OUTPUT 718; "MKD UP UP; MKNOISE ON; MKA?; MKNOISE OFF; "
ENTER 718; Amp\_2
DISP Amp\_2
C\_to\_n=Amp\_1-Amp\_2
PRINT "CARRIER TO NOISE RATIO IN 1 HZ BANDWIDTH IS "; C\_to\_n; " DB"

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# **MKOFF MARKER OFF**

## **SYNTAX**



# **DESCRIPTION**

The MKOFF command turns off the active marker or, if specified, turns off all markers.

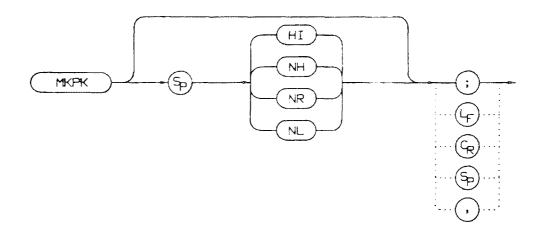
#### **EXAMPLE**

OUTPUT 718; "MKOFF ALL;" END 10

20

# MKPK PEAK SEARCH

#### **SYNTAX**



#### DESCRIPTION

The MKPK command places a marker on the highest point on a trace, the next-highest point, the next-left peak, or the next-right peak. The default is HI (highest point). The trace peaks must meet the criteria of the marker threshold and peak excursion functions in order for a peak to be found. See also the MKPT and MKPX commands.

#### **PARAMETERS**

HI: finds the highest point on a trace.

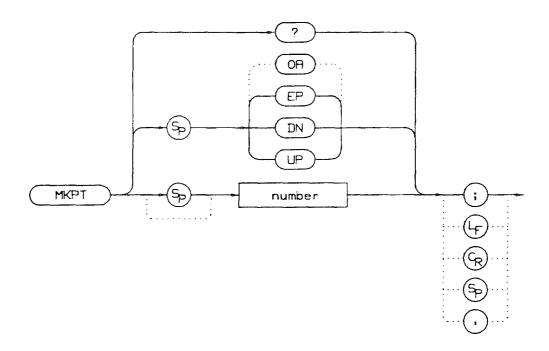
NH: finds the next-highest point on a trace.

NR: finds the next-right peak. NL: finds the next-left peak.

```
10
          OUTPUT 718; "IP; SNGLS; "
20
          INPUT "ENTER START FREQUENCY, IN MHZ", Start_freq
          INPUT "ENTER STOP FREQUENCY, IN MHZ", Stop_freq
30
40
          OUTPUT 718; "FA "; Start_freq; "MHZ; "
          OUTPUT 718; "FB "; Stop_freq; "MHZ; "
50
          OUTPUT 718; "TS; MKPK HI; MKD; TS; MKPK NH; "
60
          OUTPUT 718; "MKA?;"
70
80
          ENTER 718; Delta_amplitude
          OUTPUT 718; "MKF?;"
90
100
          ENTER 718; Delta_freq
          PRINT "DIFFERENCE IN FREQUENCY IS ", Delta_freq, "HZ"
110
120
          PRINT "DIFFERENCE IN AMPLITUDE IS ", Delta_amplitude, "DB"
130
          END
```

# MKPT MARKER THRESHOLD

#### **SYNTAX**



#### **DESCRIPTION**

The MKPT command sets the minimum amplitude level from which a peak on the trace can be detected. The default value is -120 dBm. See also the MKPX command.

Any portion of a peak that falls below the peak threshold is also used to satisfy the peak excursion criteria. For example, a peak that is equal to 3 dB above the threshold when the peak excursion is equal to 6 dB will be found if the peak extends an additional 3 dB or more below the threshold level.

#### **PARAMETERS**

number: real from -120 to 30. UP/DN: increments of 10 dB.

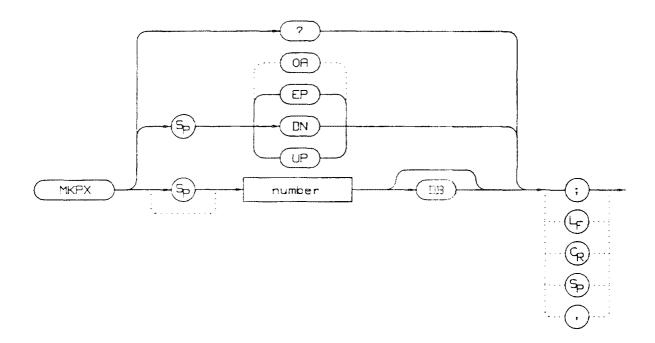
# QUERY RESPONSE



10	OUTPUT 718; "IP; SNGLS;"
20	<pre>INPUT "ENTER START FREQUENCY, IN MHZ", Start_freq</pre>
30	INPUT "ENTER STOP FREQUENCY, IN MHZ", Stop_freq
40	INPUT "ENTER IN MARKER THRESHOLD, IN DB", Thresh
50	OUTPUT 718;"FA ";Start_freq;"MHZ;"
60	OUTPUT 718; "FB "; Stop_freq; "MHZ; "
70	OUTPUT 718; "MKPT "; Thresh; "DB; "
80	OUTPUT 718; "TS; MKPK HI;"
90	END

# MKPX PEAK EXCURSION

#### **SYNTAX**



#### DESCRIPTION

The MKPX command defines what constitutes a peak on a trace. The chosen value specifies the amount that a trace must increase monotonically, then decrease monotonically, in order to be a peak. For example, if the peak excursion is 5 dB, the amplitude of the sides of a candidate peak must descend at least 5 dB in order to be considered a peak (see Figure 14.2). The default value is 6 dB.

Any portion of a peak that falls below the peak threshold is also used to satisfy the peak excursion criteria. For example, a peak that is equal to 3 dB above the threshold when the peak excursion is equal to 6 dB will be found if the peak extends an additional 3 dB or more below the threshold level.

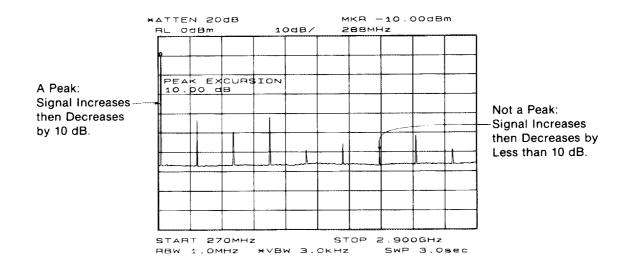


Figure 14.2. MKPX determines which signals are considered peaks.

#### **PARAMETERS**

number: real from 0.1 to 99.

UP/DN: 1 vertical division of the display.

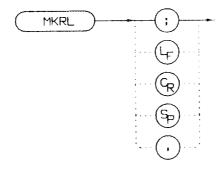
# **QUERY RESPONSE**



10	OUTPUT 718; "IP; FA 250MHZ; FB 1300MHZ; "
20	INPUT "ENTER IN PEAK EXCURSION, IN DB ", Excursion
30	OUTPUT 718; "MKPX "; Excursion; "DB; "
40	OUTPUT 718; "TS; MKPK HI;; MKA?; "
50	ENTER 718; Mka
60	OUTPUT 718; "MKF?;"
70	ENTER 718; Mkf
80	IF Mka⇔0 THEN
90	PRINT "PEAK FOUND AT ",Mkf
100	PRINT "PEAK AMPLITUDE IS", Mka
110	ELSE
120	PRINT "NO PEAKS FOUND"
130	END IF
140	END

# MKRL MARKER TO REFERENCE LEVEL

#### **SYNTAX**



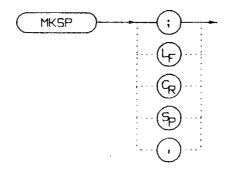
#### **DESCRIPTION**

The MKRL command sets the reference level to the amplitude of an active marker. If no marker is active, MKRL places a marker at the center of the trace and uses that marker amplitude to set the reference level.

10	OUTPUT 718; "IP; SNGLS; CF 300MHZ; SP 20MHZ; "
20	OUTPUT 718; "TS; MKPK HI; MKRL; TS; "
30	OUTPUT 718; "RL?; AUNITS?; "
40	<pre>ENTER 718 USING "K";Ref_level,Aunits\$</pre>
50	PRINT "REFERENCE LEVEL IS", Ref_level, Aunits\$
60	END

# MKSP MARKER DELTA TO SPAN

## **SYNTAX**



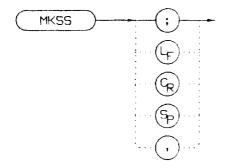
## **DESCRIPTION**

The MKSP command sets the frequency span equal to the frequency difference between two markers on a trace. The start frequency is set equal to the frequency of the left-most marker and the stop frequency is set equal to the frequency of the right-most marker.

10	INPUT "CONNECT THE 300 MHZ CALIBRATOR TO THE INPUT", Ans,
20	OUTPUT 718; "IP; SNGLS; FA 270MHZ; FB 1275MHZ; TS; "
30	OUTPUT 718; "MKPK HI; MKD; MKPK NH; TS; MKSP; TS; "
40	END

# MKSS MARKER TO CENTER FREQUENCY STEP-SIZE

## **SYNTAX**



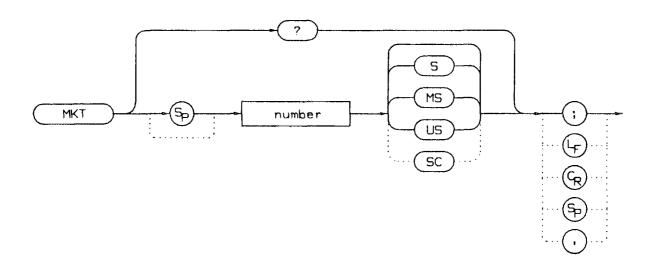
# **DESCRIPTION**

The MKSS command sets the center frequency step-size equal to the frequency value of the active marker.

10	INPUT "CONNECT THE 300 MHZ CALIBRATOR TO THE INPUT", Ans\$
20	OUTPUT 718; "IP; SNGLS; CF 300MHZ; SP 20MHZ; TS; "
30	OUTPUT 718; "MKPK HI; MKSS; MKD; CF UP; TS; MKPK HI; "
40	OUTPUT 718;"MKA?;"
50	ENTER 718;Delta_amplitude
60	OUTPUT 718; "MKF?;"
70	ENTER 718;Delta_freq
80	PRINT "DIFFERENCE IN AMPLITUDE IS", Delta_amplitude, "DB"
90	PRINT "DIFFERENCE IN FREQUENCY IS ",Delta_freq,"HZ"
100	END

# MKT MARKER TIME

## **SYNTAX**



# **DESCRIPTION**

The MKT command places a marker at a position that corresponds to a specified point in time during the sweep.

## **PARAMETERS**

number: real from 0 to the current sweep time.

# PRESET STATE

Off

## LANGUAGE REFERENCE

# **QUERY RESPONSE**

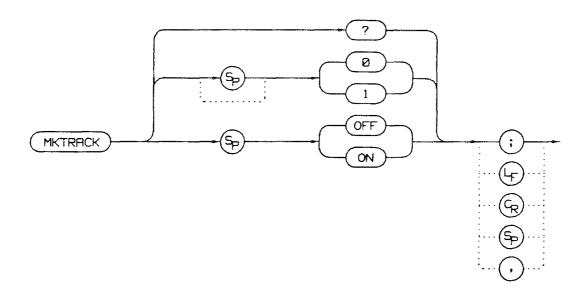


# **EXAMPLE**

10 OUTPUT 718; "ST 2SEC; MKT 1.6SEC; "
20 END

# MKTRACK SIGNAL TRACK

## **SYNTAX**



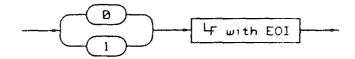
### **DESCRIPTION**

The MKTRACK command locates the active marker and sets the center frequency to the marker value. This is done after every sweep, thus maintaining the marker value at the center frequency. This allows you to quickly "zoom in" from a wide span to a narrow one, without losing the signal from the screen. Or, use MKTRACK to keep a slowly drifting signal centered on the display. When this function is active, a "K" appears on the left edge of the display.

### PRESET STATE

Off

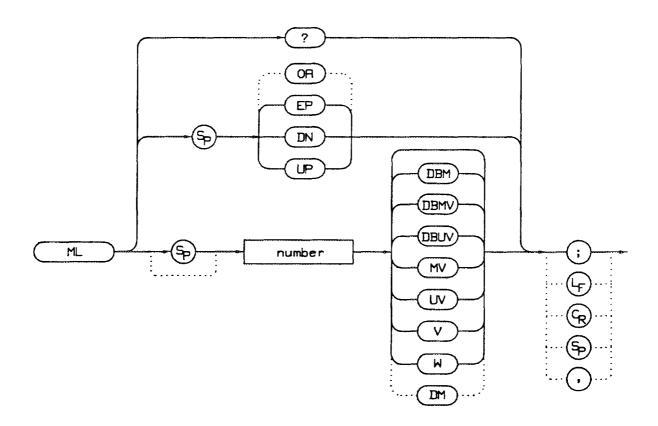
# **QUERY RESPONSE**



10	INPUT "ENTER IN CENTER FREQUENCY, IN MHZ", Freq
20	INPUT "ENTER IN FREQUENCY SPAN, IN MHZ", Span
30	OUTPUT 718; "IP; "
40	OUTPUT 718;"CF ";Freq;"MHZ;TS;"
50	OUTPUT 718; "MKTRACK ON;"
60	OUTPUT 718; "SP "; Span; "MHZ; TS; "
70	OUTPUT 718; "MKTRACK OFF;"
80	END

# ML MIXER LEVEL

## **SYNTAX**



### **DESCRIPTION**

The ML command specifies the maximum signal level that is at the input mixer. The attenuator automatically adjusts to ensure this level is not exceeded.

### **PARAMETERS**

number: integer from -80 to -10, in decade increments. Numbers round down to the nearest decade. UP/DN: increments by 10 dB.

# PRESET STATE

−10 dBm

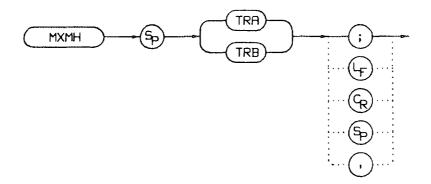
# QUERY RESPONSE



10	OUTPUT 718; "ML -40 DBM;"
20	OUTPUT 718; "ML?; ";
30	ENTER 718;Ml
40	PRINT M1
50	END

# MXMH MAXIMUM HOLD

### **SYNTAX**



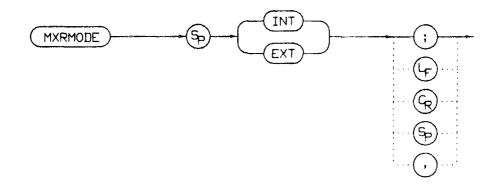
## **DESCRIPTION**

The MXMH command updates the chosen trace with the maximum signal level detected at each trace-data point from subsequent sweeps. This function employs the positive peak detector (refer to the DET command). The detector mode can be changed, if desired, after max hold is initialized.

10	OUTPUT	718; "BLANK	TRA; CLRW	TRB; MXMH	TRB;"
20	END			•	·

# MXRMODE MIXER MODE

## **SYNTAX**



# **DESCRIPTION**

The MXRMODE command specifies the mixer mode. Select either the internal mixer (INT) or supply an external mixer (EXT).

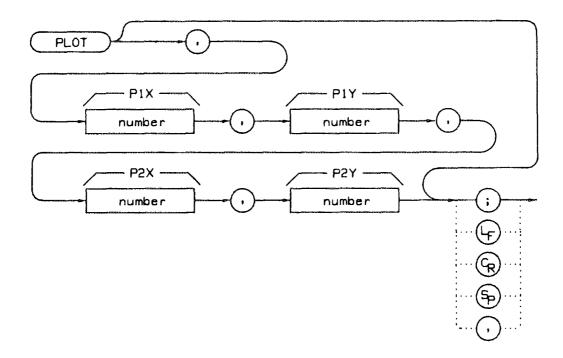
### PRESET STATE

Internal

10	INPUT "ENTER THE MIXER MODE (INT OR EXT)", Mode\$
20	OUTPUT 718; "MXRMODE "; Mode\$; "; "
30	FND

# PLOT DISPLAY

### **SYNTAX**



#### **DESCRIPTION**

The PLOT command copies the specified display contents onto any HP-GL plotter. Set the plotter address to five, select the P1 and P2 positions, and then execute the plot command. P1 and P2 correspond to the lower-left and upper-right plotter positions, respectively. If P1 and P2 are not specified, default values (either preloaded from power-up or sent in via a previous plot command) are used. Once PLOT is executed, no subsequent commands are executed until PLOT is done. For more information, refer to Chapter 7.

#### **PARAMETERS**

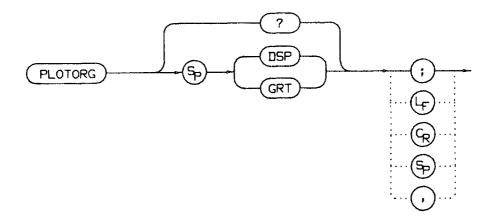
P1X, P1Y: plotter-dependent values that specify the lower-left plotter position.

P2X, P2Y: plotter-dependent values that specify the upper-right plotter position.

```
10
          OUTPUT 705; "OP;"
20
          ENTER 705; Plx, Ply, P2x, P2y
30
          ON INTR 7 GOTO Done
40
          ENABLE INTR 7;2
50
          OUTPUT 718; "RQS 16;"
          OUTPUT 718; "PLOT "; Plx; ", "; Ply; ", "; P2x; ", "; P2y; "; "
60
70
          SEND 7; UNL LISTEN 5 TALK 18 DATA
80
       Idle: GOTO Idle
90
       Done:
                     S_poll=SPOLL(718)
             OUTPUT 718; "RQS 0;"
100
             PRINT "COMMAND IS COMPLETE"
110
120
          END
```

# PLOTORG DISPLAY ORIGINS

### **SYNTAX**



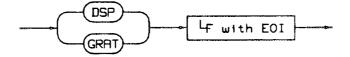
### **DESCRIPTION**

The PLOTORG command specifies whether the P1 and P2 plotter settings are the origin for the display graticule or for the entire display. GRT allows you to position the output plot, such as Trace A, on a pre-printed graticule (obtained from the PLTSRC command) and to save plotting time. For more information on P1 and P2 settings, see the PLOT command, or refer to Chapter 7.

### **PARAMETERS**

DSP: references P1 and P2 to the corners of the entire display. GRT: references P1 and P2 to the corners of the graticule.

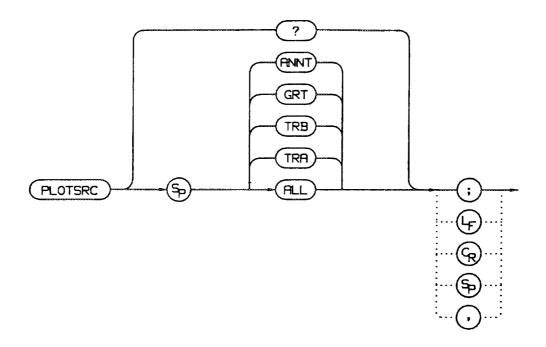
# QUERY RESPONSE



10	OUTPUT 705; "OP;"
20	ENTER 705; Plx, Ply, P2x, P2y
30	OUTPUT 718; "PLOTORG GRT; "
40	OUTPUT 718; "PLOT "; P1x; ", "; P1y; ", "; P2x; ", "; P2y; "; "
50	SEND 7; UNL LISTEN 5 TALK 18 DATA
60	END

# PLOTSRC PLOT SOURCE

# **SYNTAX**



# **DESCRIPTION**

The PLOTSRC command specifies the source for the PLOT command.

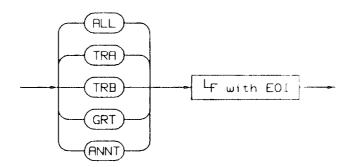
### **PARAMETERS**

ALL: plots the entire display.
TRA: plots only Trace A.
TRB: plots only Trace B.
GRT: plots only the graticule.
ANNT: plots only the annotation.

### PRESET STATE

All

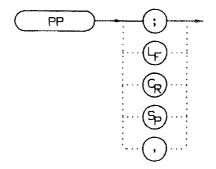
# **QUERY RESPONSE**



```
10
           OUTPUT 705; "OP; "
20
           ENTER 705; Plx, Ply, P2x, P2y
           OUTPUT 718; "PLOTSRC TRA; RQS 16; PLOT "; Plx; ", "; Ply; ", "; P2x; ", "; P2y;
30
           "; RQS 0; "
40
           Done=0
50
           IF Done=0 THEN GOSUB Wait_plot
60
           Done-0
70
           OUTPUT 718; "PLOTSRC ANNT; RQS 16; PLOT ": Plx; ", "; Ply; ", "; P2x; ", "; P2y;
           "; RQS 0; "
80
           IF Done=0 THEN GOSUB Wait plot
             PRINT "COMMAND IS COMPLETE"
90
100
            STOP
110
                        Done=1
        Wait_plot:
120
                         ON INTR 7 GOTO Go_back
130
                         ENABLE INTR 7;2
140
                         SEND 7; UNL LISTEN 5 TALK 18 DATA
150
         Idle:
                 GOTO Idle
160
         Go_back:
                           S_poll=SPOLL(718)
170
                           RETURN
180
           END
```

# PP PRESELECTOR PEAK

### **SYNTAX**



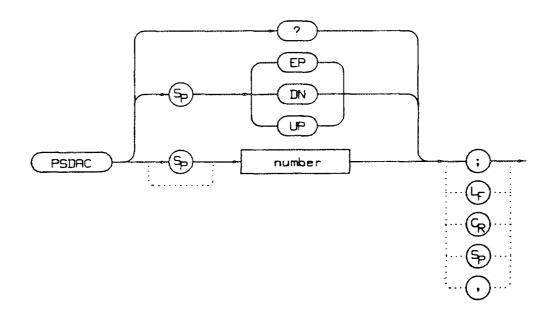
### **DESCRIPTION**

The PP command peaks the preselector. Set the desired trace to clear-write mode, place a marker on a desired signal, then execute PP. The peaking routine zooms to zero span, peaks the preselector tracking, then returns to the original position. To read the new preselector peaking number, use the PSDAC command. Commands following PP are not executed until after the analyzer has finished peaking the preselector.

10	OUTPUT	718; "CF 3GHZ; SP 500KHZ; "
20	OUTPUT	718; "TS; MKPK HI; MKCF; TS; PP; "
30	END	

# PSDAC PRESELECTOR DAC NUMBER

## **SYNTAX**



## **DESCRIPTION**

The PSDAC command returns the preselector peak DAC number.

## **PARAMETERS**

number: integer from 0 to 255. UP/DN: increments of 1.

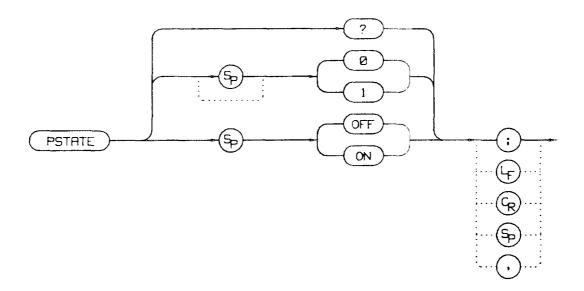
# **QUERY RESPONSE**



10	OUTPUT 718; "CF 3GHZ; SP 500KHZ; "
20	OUTPUT 718; "TS; MKPK HI; MKCF; TS; PP; "
30	OUTPUT 718; "PSDAC?; "
40	ENTER 718; Dac number
50	PRINT "PRESELECTOR DAC NUMBER IS", Dac number
60	END

# PSTATE PROTECT STATE

## **SYNTAX**



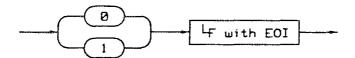
# **DESCRIPTION**

The PSTATE command prevents storing any new data in the state or trace registers. When PSTATE is ON, the registers are "locked"; the data in them cannot be erased or overwritten, although the data can be recalled. To "unlock" the registers, and store new data, set PSTATE to OFF.

### PRESET STATE

Off

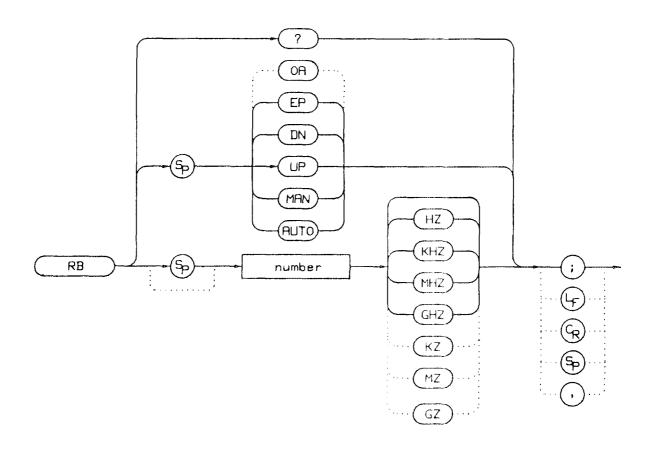
# **QUERY RESPONSE**



10	OUTPUT 718; "PSTATE ON;"
20	OUTPUT 718; "PSTATE?; "
30	ENTER 718; State
40	PRINT State
50	OUTPUT 718; "PSTATE OFF; "
60	END

# RB RESOLUTION BANDWIDTH

### **SYNTAX**



### **DESCRIPTION**

The RB command sets the resolution bandwidth. This is normally a coupled function that is selected according to the ratio selected by the RBR command. If no ratio is selected, a default ratio (0.011) is used. The bandwidth, which ranges from 100 Hz to 1 MHz, may also be selected manually.

### **PARAMETERS**

number: integer from 100 to 1 E+6. Numbers are rounded to the nearest bandwidth.

UP/DN: increments in a 1, 3, 10 sequence.

# PRESET STATE

Coupled mode, 1 MHz

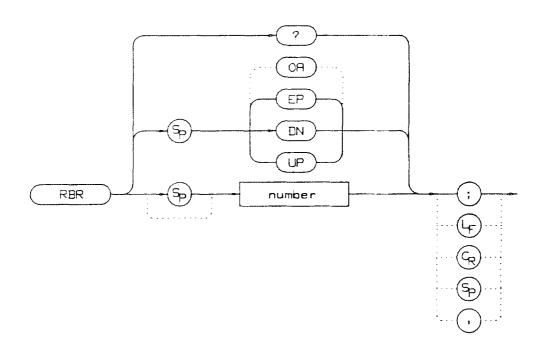
# **QUERY RESPONSE**



10	OUTPUT 718;"IP;"
20	OUTPUT 718; "CF 12GHZ; SP 2GHZ; "
30	INPUT "SELECT THE RESOLUTION BANDWIDTH, IN KHZ", B_width
40	OUTPUT 718; "RB "; B_width; "KHZ; "
50	OUTPUT 718; "RB?; ";
60	ENTER 718; B_width
70	PRINT "SELECTED BANDWIDTH IS ", B_width, "KHZ"
80	END

# RBR RESOLUTION BANDWIDTH TO SPAN RATIO

## **SYNTAX**



### **DESCRIPTION**

The RBR command specifies the coupling ratio between the resolution bandwidth and the frequency span. The ratio ranges from 0.002 to 0.10 in a 1, 2, 5 sequence. The default ratio is 0.011

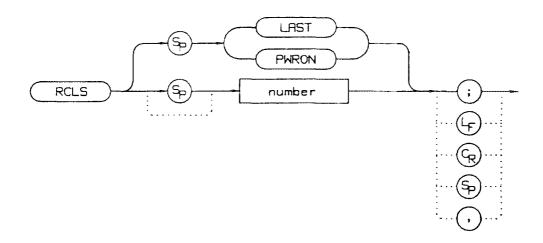
# **QUERY RESPONSE**



10	OUTPUT 718; "IP; "
20	OUTPUT 718; "CF 12GHZ; SP 2GHZ; "
30	INPUT "SELECT THE RESOLUTION BANDWIDTH TO SPAN RATIO", B_ratio
40	OUTPUT 718; "RBR "; B_ratio; "; "
50	INPUT "SELECT THE RESOLUTION BANDWIDTH, IN KHZ", B_width
60	OUTPUT 718; "RB "; B_width; "KHZ; "
70	OUTPUT 718; "RB?; ";
80	ENTER 718; B_width
90	PRINT "SELECTED BANDWIDTH IS ", B_width, "KHZ"
100	END

# RCLS RECALL STATE

### **SYNTAX**



### **DESCRIPTION**

The RCLS command recalls to the display a previously-saved instrument state.

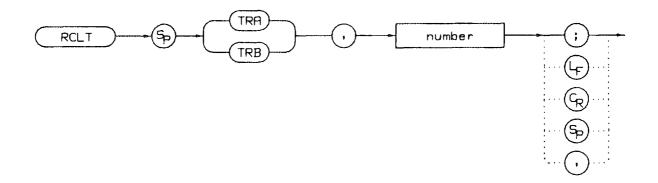
#### **PARAMETERS**

number: integer from 0 to 9. Numbers less than zero default to zero; numbers greater than nine default to nine. LAST: recalls the instrument state that existed previous to executing the IP command or switching Off. PWR ON: sets the instrument state to the same state that occurred when LINE was switched on. This state was originally saved using the SAVES command.

10	OUTPUT	718; "SAVES 7;"
20	OUTPUT	718;"IP;"
30	OUTPUT	718; "RCLS 7;"
40	END	

# RCLT RECALL TRACE

### **SYNTAX**



# **DESCRIPTION**

The RCLT command recalls previously-saved trace data to the display.

### **PARAMETERS**

TRA: recalls the trace data to Trace A.

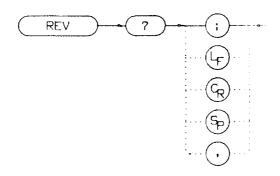
TRB: recalls the trace data to Trace B.

number: integer from 0 to 7. Numbers less than zero default to zero; numbers greater than seven default to seven.

10	OUTPUT 718; "IP; CF 300MHZ; SP 20MHZ; "
20	OUTPUT 718; "SAVET TRA, 7; "
30	OUTPUT 718;"IP;"
40	OUTPUT 718; "RCLT TRB, 7; "
50	FND

# REV REVISION NUMBER

# **SYNTAX**



## **DESCRIPTION**

The REV command sends to the computer the revision date code of the spectrum analyzer firmware.

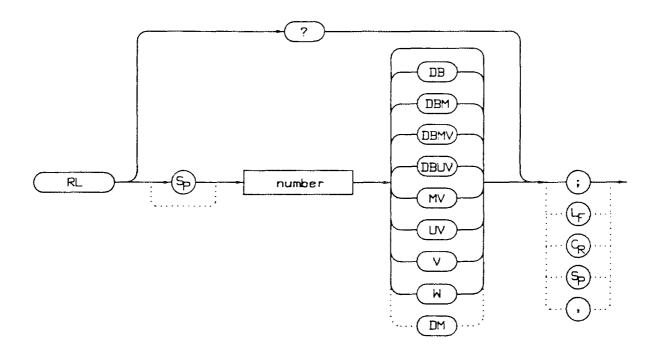
# **QUERY RESPONSE**



10	DIM A\$[6]
20	OUTPUT 718; "REV?;"
30	ENTER 718;A\$
40	PRINT A\$
50	END

# RL REFERENCE LEVEL

#### **SYNTAX**



## **DESCRIPTION**

The RL command sets the reference level. The reference level is the top horizontal line on the graticule. For best measurement accuracy, place the peak of a signal of interest on the reference level line. The spectrum analyzer input attenuator is coupled to the reference level and automatically adjusts to avoid compression of the input signal. Table 14.4 shows the minimum reference level for each band and amplitude scale. When switching bands, the reference level may be automatically increased if the current level is not available for the new band. Refer also to AUNITS.

#### LANGUAGE REFERENCE

	MINIMUM REI	Feaence Level
BAND	LOG SCALE	LINEAR SCALE
1 kHz - 2.9 GHz	120.0 dBm	2.2μ∀
2.75 GHz - 6.46 GHz	-120.0 dBm	2.2μ√
5.8 GHz - 13 GHz	-115.0 d <b>B</b> m	4.0 <b>µ</b> ∀
12.4 GHz - 19.7 GHz	- 105.0 dBm	12.6 <u>ŭ</u> ∀
19.1 GHz - 22 GHz	-100,0 dBm	22.4µ¥

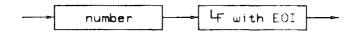
Table 14.4. Frequency ranges and minimum reference level.

### **PARAMETERS**

number: dependent upon the chosen amplitude units.

UP/DN: increments by one vertical division in log mode and in a 1, 2, 5, 10 sequence in linear mode.

# **QUERY RESPONSE**



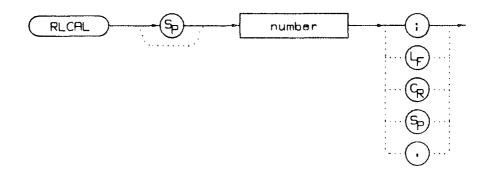
## PRESET STATE

0 dBm

10	OUTPUT 718; "IP; SNGLS; CF 300MHZ; SP 20MHZ; "
20	OUTPUT 718; "TS; MKPK HI; MKRL; TS; "
30	OUTPUT 718; "RL?; "
40	ENTER 718; Ref level
50	PRINT "REFERENCE LEVEL IS", Ref level, "DB"
60	END

# RLCAL REFERENCE LEVEL CALIBRATION

### **SYNTAX**



#### **DESCRIPTION**

The RLCAL command allows you to calibrate the reference level remotely or check the current calibration. To calibrate the reference level, connect the 300 MHz calibration signal to the RF input. Set the center frequency to 300 MHz, the frequency span to 20 MHz, and the reference level to -10 dBm. Use the RLCAL command to move the reference level to the input signal. When the signal peak falls directly on the reference-level line, the reference level is calibrated. Storing this value in the analyzer in EEROM can be done only from the front panel.

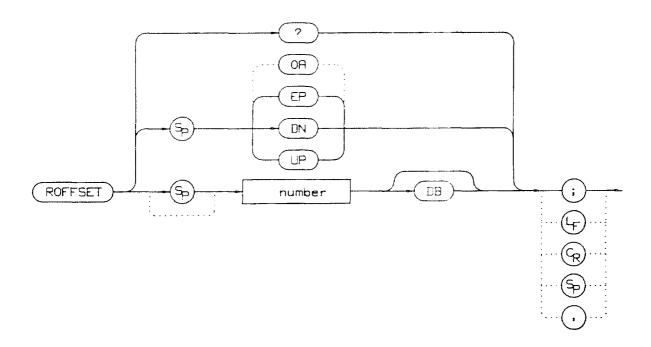
#### **PARAMETER**

number: integer from -255 to 255.

10	INTEGER Rlcal
20	INPUT "CONNECT CAL SIGNAL TO RF INPUT AND PRESS CONITNUE", A\$
30	OUTPUT 718; "IP; TS; CF 300MHZ; SP 100KHZ; RL ODBM; TS; "
40	OUTPUT 718; "MKPK HI; MKA?;"
50	ENTER 718; Mkamptd
60	OUTPUT 718; "RLCAL?;"
70	ENTER 718; R1cal
80	Rlcal-Rlcal-INT((Mkamptd+10)/.17)
90	OUTPUT 718; "RLCAL "; Rlcal; "; "
100	END

# ROFFSET AMPLITUDE REFERENCE OFFSET

### **SYNTAX**



### **DESCRIPTION**

The ROFFSET command introduces an offset to all amplitude readouts (e.g., the reference level and marker amplitude). The offset is in dB, regardless of the selected scale and units. The offset can be useful to account for gains of losses in accessories connected to the input of the analyzer. When this function is active, an "R" appears on the left edge of the display.

#### **PARAMETER**

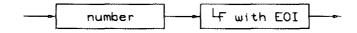
number: real from -100 to 100.

UP/DN: increments of one vertical division.

# PRESET STATE

Off

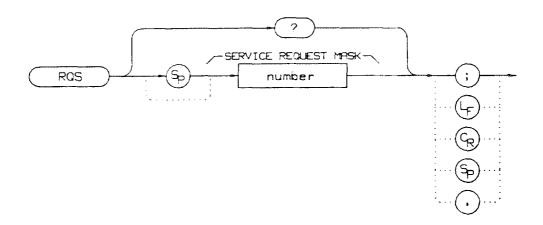
# QUERY RESPONSE



10	INPUT "ENTER REFERENCE LEVEL OFFSET", Roffset
20	OUTPUT 718; "ROFFSET "; Roffset; "DB; "
30	OUTPUT 718; "ROFFSET?; "
40	ENTER 718; Roffset
50	PRINT "AMPLITUDE OFFSET IS ",Roffset
60	END

# RQS REQUEST SERVICE CONDITIONS

#### **SYNTAX**



### **DESCRIPTION**

The RQS command sets a bit mask that specifies which service requests can interrupt a program sequence. Each service request has a corresponding bit number and decimal equivalent of that bit number, as shown in Table 14.5. Use the decimal equivalents to set the bit mask. For example, to set a mask for bits four and five, add the decimal equivalents (16 + 32 = 48), then send the command "RQS 48." For more service request information, refer to Chapter 9.

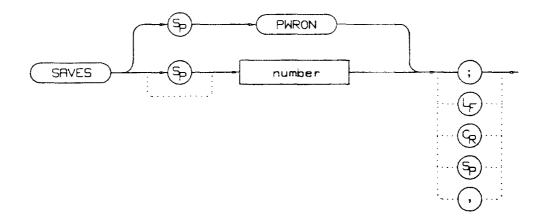
# **QUERY RESPONSE**



```
10
          OUTPUT 718; "IP; SNGLS; CF 300MHZ; SP 20MHZ; TS; "
20
          OUTPUT 718; "VAVG 10; RQS 16; "
30
          ON INTR 7 GOTO Srq
40
          ENABLE INTR 7;2
50
          OUTPUT 718; "TS; "
60
       Idle:
                GOTO Idle
70
       Srq: Sbyte=SPOLL(718)
80
             PRINT Sbyte
90
             PRINT "VIDEO AVERAGING IS COMPLETE"
100
              OUTPUT 718; "RQS 0;"
110
              LOCAL 718
120
          END
```

# SAVES SAVE STATE

## **SYNTAX**



### **DESCRIPTION**

The SAVES command saves the currently-displayed instrument state in the specified state register.

### **PARAMETERS**

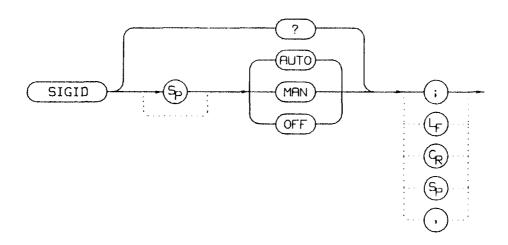
number: integer from 0 to 9. Numbers less than zero default to zero; numbers greater than nine default to nine. PWRON: sets the spectrum analyzer to the current state when LINE is switched on.

LANGUAGE REFERENCE

SER SERIAL NUMBER

# SIGID SIGNAL IDENTIFICATION

#### **SYNTAX**



## **DESCRIPTION**

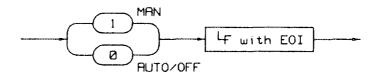
The SIGID command identifies signals for the external mixing frequency bands.

Two signal identification methods are available. AUTO employs the image response method for locating correct mixer responses. Place a marker on the desired signal, then activate SIGID AUTO. The frequency of a correct response appears in the active function block. Use this mode before executing the IDCF command.

The second method of signal identification, MAN, shifts responses both horizontally and vertically. A correct response is shifted horizontally by less than 80 kHz.

To ensure accuracy in MAN mode, limit the frequency span to less than 20 MHz.

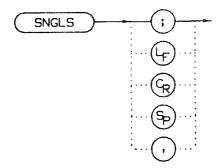
# **QUERY RESPONSE**



10	OUTPUT 718; "SIGID AUTO; "
20	OUTPUT 718; "IDCF; "
30	OUTPUT 718; "CF?; "
40	ENTER 718;Cf
50	PRINT Cf
60	END

# SNGLS SINGLE SWEEP

# **SYNTAX**



# **DESCRIPTION**

The SNGLS command selects the single-sweep mode. This mode allows only one sweep when trigger conditions are met. When this function is active, an "S" appears on the left edge of the display.

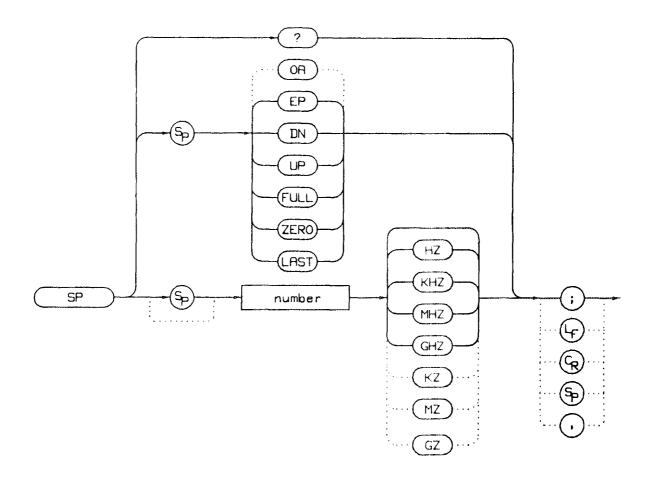
## **EXAMPLE**

10 OUTPUT 718; "IP; SNGLS; "

20 END

# SP FREQUENCY SPAN

## **SYNTAX**



# **DESCRIPTION**

The SP command sets the frequency span. The center frequency does not change with changes in the frequency span; start and stop frequencies do change. Setting the frequency span to 0 Hz effectively allows an amplitude vs. time mode in which to view signals. This is especially useful for viewing modulation. Querying SP will leave the analyzer in center frequency/span mode.

#### **NOTE**

The low band of the spectrum analyzer ranges from 1 kHz to 2.9 GHz. The upper band ranges from 2.75 to 22 GHz. The frequency span cannot be set to overlap both bands at the same time. For example, to sweep a range from 2.0 to 3.5 GHz, use the low band to sweep from 2.0 to 2.9 GHz and use the upper band to sweep from 2.9 to 3.5 GHz.

## **PARAMETERS**

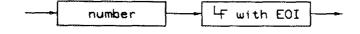
number: real from 0 to 2.9 E+9 in low band, 2.75 E+9 to 19.25 E+9 in high band (18 E+9 to 307 E+9 in external mixer mode).

UP/DN: increments in a 1, 2, 5 sequence.

## PRESET STATE

Full span; 19.25 GHz (HP 8562A) full span; 1.45 GHz (HP 8562B)

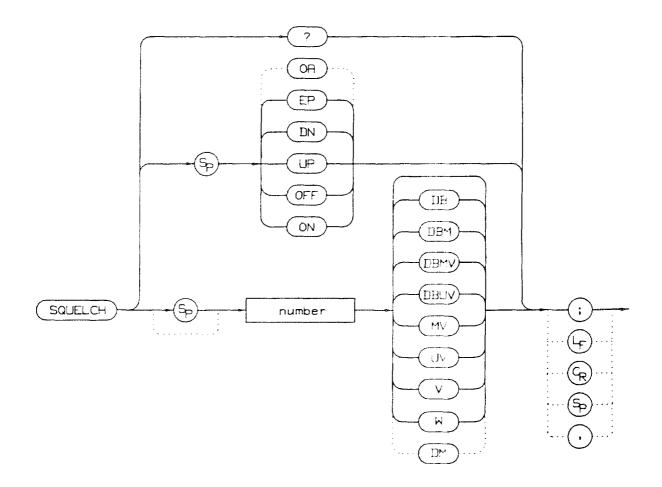
# **QUERY RESPONSE**



10	OUTPUT 718; "IP; CF 300MHZ; SP 20MHZ; "
20	OUTPUT 718; "SP UP; SP?; "
30	ENTER 718; Span
40	PRINT Span
50	END

# SQUELCH SQUELCH

# **SYNTAX**



## **DESCRIPTION**

The SQUELCH command adjusts the squelch level for demodulation. When this function is on, a dashed line appears on the display indicating the squelch level. A marker must be active and above the squelch line for demodulation to occur. Refer to the DEMOD command. The default value is -120 dBm.

# **PARAMETERS**

number: real from -220 to 30.

UP/DN: increments by 1 vertical division.

# PRESET STATE

Off

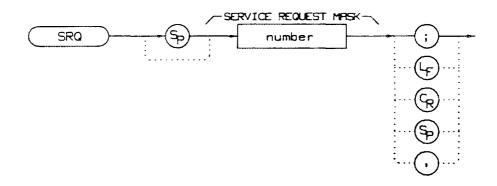
# **QUERY RESPONSE**



10	OUTPUT 718; "IP; "
20	OUTPUT 718; "FA 88MHZ; FB 108MHZ; "
30	OUTPUT 718; "MKN EP; "
40	PRINT "MOVE MARKER TO SIGNAL TO BE DEMODULATED"
50	PRINT "PRESS HOLD; THEN PRESS CONITNUE"
60	PAUSE
70	INPUT "ENTER DEMODULATION TIME (.1 SEC - 60 SEC)", Dtime
80	OUTPUT 718; "DEMODT "; Dtime; "SEC; "
90	OUTPUT 718; "SQUELCH EP; "
100	INPUT "ADJUST SQUELCH AS NECESSARY; PRESS HOLD, THEN ENTER", A\$
110	OUTPUT 718; "DEMOD FM; "
120	LOCAL 718
130	END

# SRQ SERVICE REQUEST

## **SYNTAX**



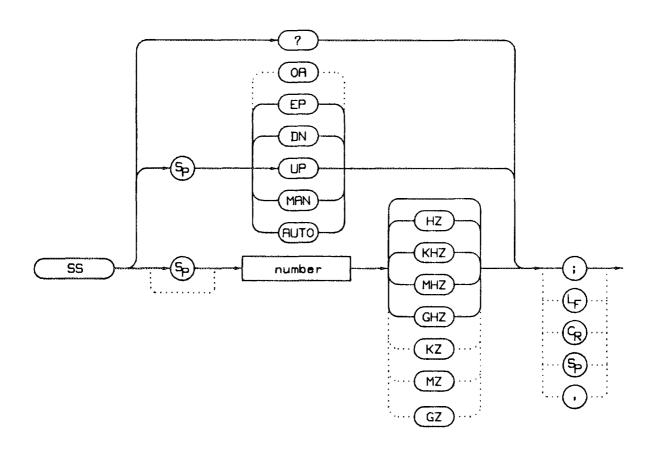
#### **DESCRIPTION**

The SRQ command triggers a service request. This command allows you to force a service request and test a program designed to handle service requests. However, the service request can be triggered only if it is first masked using the RQS command. For more service request information, refer to Chapter 9.

```
10
           OUTPUT 718; "IP; SNGLS; CF 300MHZ; SP 20MHZ; TS; "
20
           OUTPUT 718; "RQS 16; "
30
           ON INTR 7 GOTO Srq
40
           ENABLE INTR 7;2
50
           OUTPUT 718; "SRQ 16; "
60
       Idle:
                 GOTO Idle
70
       Srq:
                       Sbyte=SPOLL(718)
80
                       PRINT Sbyte
90
                      PRINT "INTERRUPT GENERATED"
100
               OUTPUT 718; "RQS 0; "
110
               LOCAL 718
120
           END
```

# SS CENTER FREQUENCY STEP-SIZE

## **SYNTAX**



## **DESCRIPTION**

The SS command sets the center frequency step-size. This is normally a coupled function. After entering a step size, execute the CF command using the UP or DN parameter. The center frequency adjusts by the selected step size. This function is useful for quickly tuning to the harmonics of an input signal. The default value is 10% of span.

## **PARAMETERS**

number: real from 100 to 22 E+9.

UP/DN: increments in a 1, 2, 5, 10 sequence.

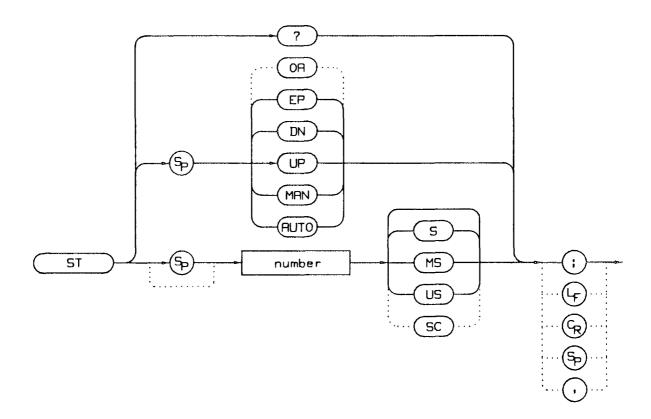
# **QUERY RESPONSE**



- 33 CLEAR 718 40 OUTPUT 718; "IP; SNGLS; CF300MHZ; SP20MZ; TS; " 50 OUTPUT 718; "MKPK HI; MKRL; TS; MKF?; MKA?;" ENTER 718 USING "K"; Mk\_freq, Mk\_amp 60 70 OUTPUT 718; "SS "; Mk\_freq; "HZ" OUTPUT 718; "CF UP; TS; MKPK HI; MKA?;" 80
- 90 ENTER 718; Mk\_amp1
- PRINT "The fundamental is "; Mk\_amp-Mk\_ampl;" db above the first harmonic" 100
- 110 END

# ST SWEEP TIME

# **SYNTAX**



## **DESCRIPTION**

The ST command sets the sweep time. This is normally a coupled function which is automatically set to the optimum value allowed by the current instrument settings. Or, specify the sweep time. Note that when the specified sweep time is too fast for the current instrument settings, the instrument is no longer calibrated and the message "MEASUREMENT UNCAL" appears on the display.

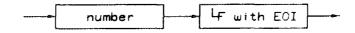
# **PARAMETERS**

number: real from 50 E-3 to 100 when the span is greater than 0 Hz; 50 E-6 to 60 when the span equals 0 Hz. UP/DN: increments in a 1, 2, 5, 10 = 0.00 sequence.

# PRESET STATE

Coupled mode; 50 msec

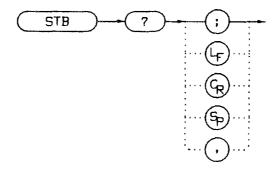
# **QUERY RESPONSE**



10	OUTPUT 718; "ST 500MSEC;"
20	OUTPUT 718; "ST DN; "
30	OUTPUT 718; "ST?; ";
40	ENTER 718;St
50	PRINT St
60	END

# STB STATUS BYTE QUERY

## **SYNTAX**



# **DESCRIPTION**

The STB command returns to the controller the decimal equivalent of the bits set in the status byte (see the RQS and SRQ commands). STB is equivalent to a serial poll command. The RQS and associated bits are cleared in the same way that a serial poll command would clear them. For more information, refer to Chapter 9.

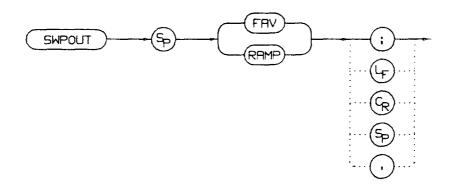
# **QUERY RESPONSE**



```
OUTPUT 718; "IP; SNGLS; CF 300MHZ; SP 20MHZ; TS; "
10
20
          OUTPUT 718; "VAVG 10; RQS 16; "
          ON INTR 7 GOTO Srq
30
40
          ENABLE INTR 7;2
          OUTPUT 718; "TS; "
50
60
       Idle:
                GOTO Idle
70
       Srq:OUTPUT 718;"STB?;";
80
           ENTER 781; Sbyte
90
             PRINT Sbyte
              PRINT "VIDEO AVERAGING IS COMPLETE"
100
              OUTPUT 718; "RQS 0;"
110
120
              LOCAL 718
130
          END
```

# SWPOUT SWEEP OUTPUT

## **SYNTAX**



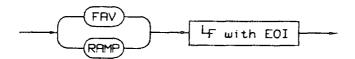
# **DESCRIPTION**

The SWPOUT command selects the sweep-related signal that is available from J8 on the rear panel. FAV provides a DC ramp of 0.5V/GHz from 0-22 GHz. RAMP provides a 0-10 V ramp corresponding to the sweep ramp that tunes the first local oscillator (LO). In multiband sweeps, one ramp is provided for each frequency band.

## PRESET STATE

0.5 V/GHz (FAV)

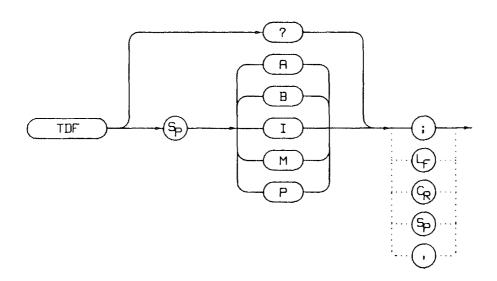
# **QUERY RESPONSE**



10	INPUT "SELECT THE SIGNAL OUTPUT OF J8 (RAMP OR FAV)", Sig out\$
20	OUTPUT 718; "SWPOUT "; Sig_out\$; "; "
30	OUTPUT 718; "SWPOUT?;"
40	<pre>ENTER 718;Sig_out\$</pre>
50	PRINT "SELECTED SIGNAL OUTPUT IS ", Sig_out\$
60	END

# TDF TRACE DATA FORMAT

## **SYNTAX**



#### **DESCRIPTION**

The TDF command selects the format used to input and output trace data (see the TRA/TRB command or refer to Chapter 8). You must specify the desired format when transferring data from the spectrum analyzer to a computer; this is optional when transferring data to the analyzer.

## **PARAMETERS**

A: specifies A-block data format.

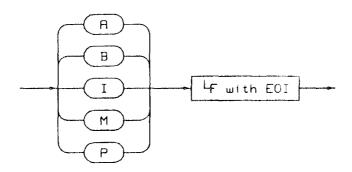
B: specifies binary data format.

I: specifies I-block data format.

M: specifies ASCII data format.

P: specifies real number output format. Numbers are in Hz, Volts, Watts, dBm, dBmV, dB $\mu$ V, dBV, or seconds.

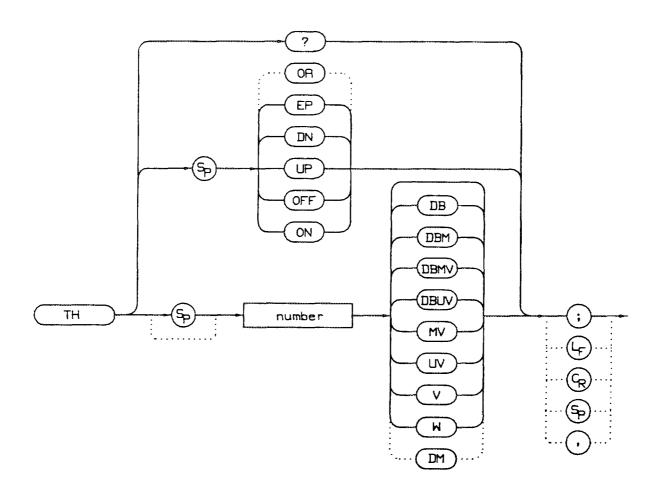
## **OUERY RESPONSE**



```
10
          REAL A(1:601)
20
          OUTPUT 718; "IP; CF 300MHZ; SP 20MHZ; SNGLS; TS; "
30
          CALL Get_data(Fa,Fb,Rl,Rb,Vb,St,Lg,Aunits$)
          OUTPUT 718; "TDF P; TRA?; "
40
50
          ENTER 718; A(*)
60
          PRINT "PRESS CONTINUE TO RETURN DATA TO THE ANALYZER"
70
80
          OUTPUT 718; "IP; TDF P; TS; VIEW TRA; "
90
          CALL Enter data(Fa,Fb,Rl,Rb,Vb,St,Lg,Aunits$)
100
           OUTPUT 718; "TRA ";
           FOR I-1 TO 600
110
120
           OUTPUT 718; A(I); "DBM, ";
130
140
           OUTPUT 718; A(601); "DBM;"
150
           END
```

# TH THRESHOLD

## **SYNTAX**



# **DESCRIPTION**

The TH command sets the minimum amplitude level and clips data at this value. Default value is -90 dBm. See also MKPT. MKPT does not clip data below its threshold.

#### NOTE

When a trace is in view or max-hold mode, if the threshold is raised above any of the trace data, the data below the threshold will be permanently lost.

# **PARAMETERS**

number: real from -220 to 30.

UP/DN: increments by one vertical division.

# PRESET STATE

Off

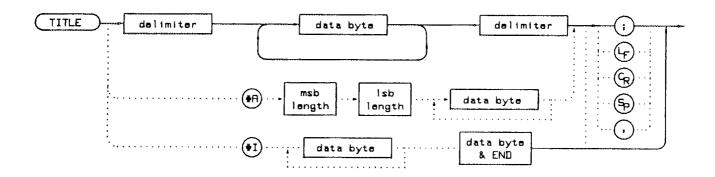
# **QUERY RESPONSE**



10	OUTPUT 718; "TH EP;"
20	PRINT "SELECT THE THRESHOLD ON THE ANALYZER"
30	PRINT "PRESS HOLD THEN PRESS CONTINUE"
40	PAUSE
50	END

# TITLE TITLE ENTRY

## **SYNTAX**



# **DESCRIPTION**

The TITLE command places character data in the title area of the display, which is in the upper-right corner. A title can be up to two rows of sixteen characters each and can include the special characters shown in Table 14.6. Carriage return and line feed characters are not recommended. For more information on creating titles, refer to Chapter 6 of this manual.

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CODE	CHARACTE	Ø
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62 ;		
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169		
225		
228		
237		
240	7	
241		
	•	
242	ø	
743		
C****	V	
244	*	
247	w	
249		
670	à	
		255533

Table 14.6. Special printing characters.

# **PARAMETER**

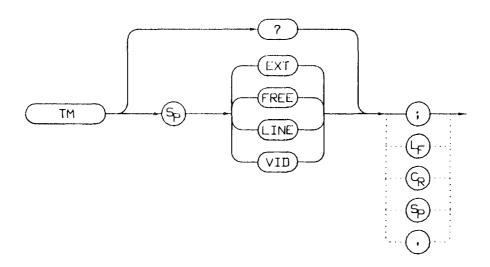
msb/lsb: represents the length of the title as two 8-bit bytes.

# **EXAMPLE**

10 OUTPUT 718; "TITLE@This is a title@;" 20 END

# TM TRIGGER MODE

#### **SYNTAX**



#### DESCRIPTION

The TM command selects a trigger mode. Selected trigger conditions must be met in order for a sweep to occur. The available trigger modes are listed below. When any trigger mode other than free run is selected, a "T" appears on the left edge of the display.

#### **PARAMETERS**

EXT: selects the external mode. Connect an external trigger source to J5 on the rear panel of the spectrum analyzer. The source must range from 0 to 5 V (TTL). The trigger occurs on the rising, positive edge of the signal (about 1.5 V).

FREE: selects the free-run mode. Sweep triggers occur as fast as the spectrum analyzer will allow.

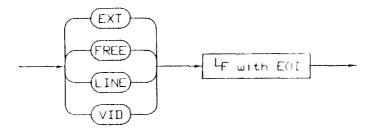
LINE: selects the line mode. Sweep triggers occur at intervals synchronized to the line frequency.

VID: selects the video mode. Sweep triggers occur whenever the positively-sloped part of the input signal passes through the video trigger level. This trigger level can be changed (refer to the VTL command), and a dashed line appears on the screen to denote the selected level.

# PRESET STATE

Free-run mode

# **QUERY RESPONSE**

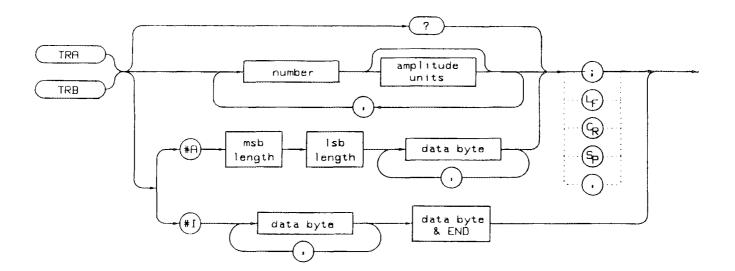


# **EXAMPLE**

10 OUTPUT 718; "TM VID; "
20 OUTPUT 718; "VTL -20DBM; "
30 END

# TRA/TRB TRACE DATA INPUT/OUTPUT

## **SYNTAX**



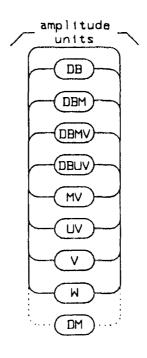
#### **DESCRIPTION**

The TRA and TRB commands provide a method for transferring trace data to or from a computer. The available data formats are real number (P) format, binary (B) format, A-block format, I-block format, or measurement units (M) format. Transfers to the computer must be completed within 30 seconds or the transfer will be aborted. For instructions on transferring data and more examples, refer to Chapter 8.

#### **PARAMETER**

msb/lsb: represents the length of the trace as two 8-bit bytes.

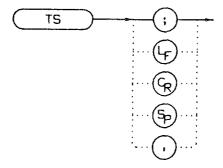
# **QUERY RESPONSE**



```
10
          REAL A(1:601)
20
          OUTPUT 718; "IP; CF 300MHZ; SP 20MHZ; SNGLS; TS; "
30
          CALL Get_data(Fa,Fb,R1,Rb,Vb,St,Lg,Aunits$)
40
          OUTPUT 718; "TDF P; TRA?; "
50
          ENTER 718; A(*)
          PRINT "PRESS CONTINUE TO RETURN DATA TO THE ANALYZER"
60
70
80
          OUTPUT 718; "IP; TDF P; TS; VIEW TRA; "
90
          CALL Enter_data(Fa,Fb,Rl,Rb,Vb,St,Lg,Aunits$)
100
           OUTPUT 718; "TRA ";
110
           FOR I-1 TO 600
120
           OUTPUT 718; A(I); "DBM, ";
130
           NEXT I
140
           OUTPUT 718;A(601); "DBM;"
150
           END
```

# TS TAKE SWEEP

# **SYNTAX**



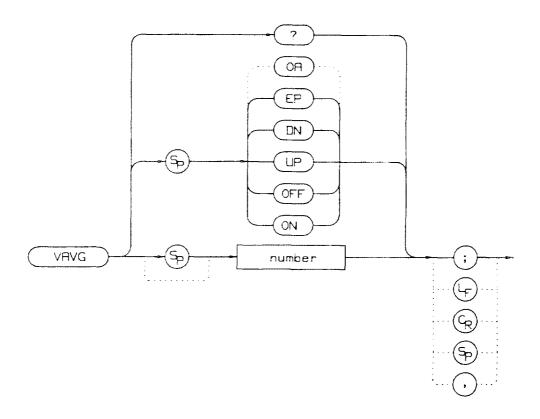
## **DESCRIPTION**

TS commands the spectrum analyzer to take one full sweep across the trace display. Commands following TS are not executed until after the analyzer has finished the trace sweep. This ensures that the instrument is set to a known condition before subsequent commands are executed. For information on how to synchronize a program using TS and the DONE command, refer to Chapter 11.

10	OUTPUT 718; "IP; SNGLS; "
20	OUTPUT 718; "TS; DONE?; "
30	ENTER 718; Done
40	PRINT Done
50	END

# VAVG VIDEO AVERAGE

#### **SYNTAX**



#### **DESCRIPTION**

The VAVG command activates the video averaging function. Video averaging smooths the displayed trace without using a narrow bandwidth. VAVG sets the IF detector to sample mode (see the DET command) and smooths the trace by averaging successive traces with each other. If desired, you can change the detector mode after VAVG is executed.

Video averaging is available only for Trace A, and Trace A must be in clear-write mode for VAVG to operate. After VAVG is executed, the number of sweeps that have been averaged appears at the top of the analyzer screen.

Using video averaging allows you to view changes to the entire trace much faster than using narrow video filters. Narrow video filters require long sweep times, which may not be desired. Video averaging, though requiring more sweeps, uses faster sweep times; in some cases, it can produce a smooth trace faster than a video filter.

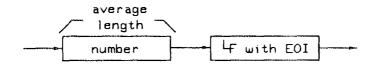
# **PARAMETERS**

number: integer from 1 to 999. UP/DN: increments by 1.

# PRESET STATE

100

# **QUERY RESPONSE**



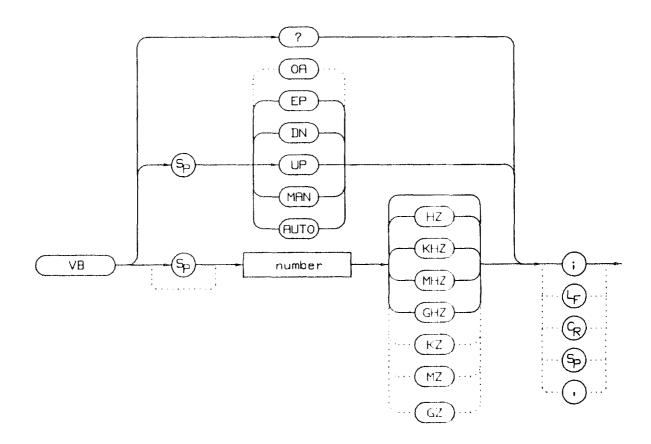
# **EXAMPLE**

10 OUTPUT 718; "SNGLS; VAVG 20; TS; "

20 END

# VB VIDEO BANDWIDTH

## **SYNTAX**



# **DESCRIPTION**

The VB command specifies the video bandwidth. This is normally a coupled function that is selected according to the ratio selected by the VBR command. (If no ratio is selected, a default ratio, 1.0, is used instead.) Video bandwidth filters (or smooths) post-detected video information. The bandwidth, which ranges from 1 Hz to 3 MHz, may also be selected manually. If the specified video bandwidth is less than 300 Hz, the IF detector is set to sample mode.

# **PARAMETERS**

number: integer from 1 to 1 E+6. UP/DN: increments in a 1, 3, 10 sequence.

# PRESET STATE

Coupled mode, 1 MHz

# **QUERY RESPONSE**

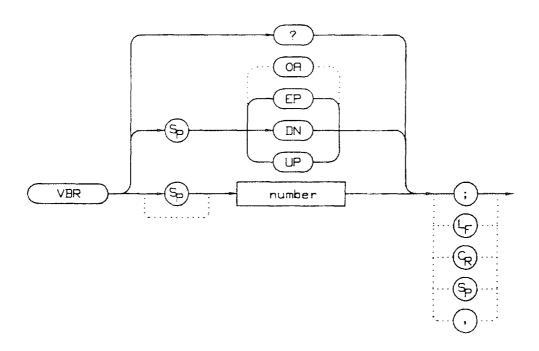


10	OUTPUT 718; "IP;"
20	OUTPUT 718; "CF 12GHZ; SP 2GHZ; "
30	INPUT "SELECT THE VIDEO BANDWIDTH, IN KHZ", B_width
40	OUTPUT 718; "VB "; B_width; "KHZ; "
50	OUTPUT 718; "VB?; ";
60	ENTER 718; B_width
70	PRINT "SELECTED BANDWIDTH IS ", B_width, "HZ"
80	END

# **VBR**

# VIDEO BANDWIDTH TO RESOLUTION BANDWID A RATIO

# **SYNTAX**



## **DESCRIPTION**

The VBR command specifies the coupling ratio between the video bandwidth and the resolution bandwidth. The ratio ranges from 0.003 to 3 in a 1, 3, 10 sequence. The default ratio is 1.

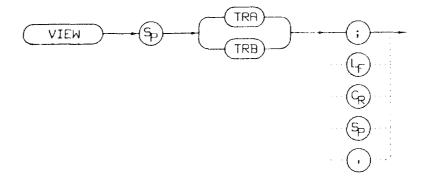
# **QUERY RESPONSE**



10	OUTPUT 718; "IP; "
20	OUTPUT 718; "CF 12GHZ; SP 2GHZ; "
30	INPUT "SELECT THE VIDEO BANDWIDTH TO RESOLUTION BANDWIDTH RATIO",
	B ratio
40	OUTPUT 718; "VBR "; B ratio; "; "
50	INPUT "SELECT THE VIDEO BANDWIDTH, IN KHZ", B width
60	OUTPUT 718; "VB "; B width; "KHZ;"
70	OUTPUT 718; "VB?; ";
80	ENTER 718; B width
90	PRINT "SELECTED BANDWIDTH IS ", B width, "HZ"
100	FND

# VIEW TRACE

# **SYNTAX**



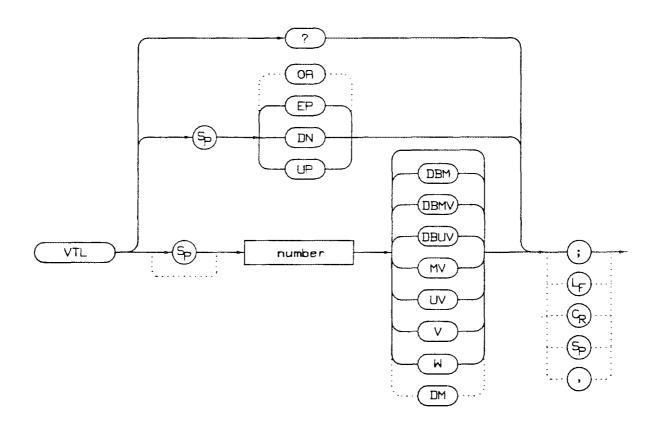
# **DESCRIPTION**

The VIEW command displays the current contents of the selected trace, but does not update the contents.

- 10 OUTPUT 718; "CLRW TRA; TS; VIEW TRA; "
- 20 END

# VTL VIDEO TRIGGER LEVEL

# **SYNTAX**



# **DESCRIPTION**

The VTL command sets the video trigger level when the trigger mode is set to VIDEO (refer to the TM command). A dashed line appears on the display to indicate the level. The default value is 0 dBm.

## **PARAMETERS**

number: real from -220 to 30.

UP/DN: increments by 1 vertical division.

# QUERY RESPONSE



10	OUTPUT	718;"TM VID;"
20	OUTPUT	718; "VTL -20DBM; "
30	END	

# APPENDIX A

# PROGRAMMING COMMANDS VS. FRONT-PANEL KEY

# **PROGRAMMING COMMANDS**

COMMAND	NAME	KEY
ADJALL ADJCRT	Execute Turn-on Adjustments CRT Adjustment Pattern	CRT ADJ PATTERN
ADJIF AMB	Execute IF Adjustments Trace A Minus Trace B	FULL IF ADJ A-B→A
AMBPL	Trace A Minus Trace B Plus Display Line	$A-B+DL\rightarrow A$
ANNOT	Annotation On/Off	ANNOT ON OFF
APB	Trace A Plus Trace B	$A+B\rightarrow A$
AT	Input Attenuator	ATTEN ON OFF
AUNITS	Absolute Amplitude Units	UNITS
AUTOCPL	Autocouple All "AUTO" Functions	ALL
AXB	Trace A Exchange Trace B	A EXCH B
BLANK	Blank Trace	BLANK A, BLANK B
BML	Trace A Minus Display Line	B-DL→B
CF	Center Frequency	CENTER, REQUENCY
CLRW	Clear/Write Trace	CLR-WRT A, CLR-WRT B
CNVLOSS	External Mixer Conversion Loss	CONV LOSS CONT
CONTS DEMOD	Continuous Sweep Demodulation	AM DEMOD ON OFF
DEMOD	Demodulation	FM DEMOD ON OFF
DEMODAGC	Demodulation Automatic Gain Control	TM DEMOD ON OH
DEMODT	Demodulation Time	DEMOD TIME
DET	Detection Mode	DETECTOR MODES
DL	Display Line	DISP LINE ON OFF
DONE	Done	
ERR	Command Error	
ET	Elapsed Time	ELAPSED TIME
FA	Start Frequency	START FREQ
FB	Stop Frequency	STOP FREQ
FDIAG	Frequency Diagnostics	FREQ DIAGNOSE
FDSP	Frequency Display	FREQ DSP ON OFF
FOFFSET	Frequency Offset	FREQ OFFSET
FREF FS	Frequency Reference	10 MHz INT EXT FULL SPAN
FULBAND	Full Span Full Band	FULL BAND
GRAT	Graticule On/Off	GRAT ON OFF
OMM	Graticule On/On	GRAII ON OH

HD	Hold	( HOLD )
HNLOCK	Harmonic Number Lock	LOCK ON OFF
HNUNLK	Unlock Harmonic Number	LOCK ON OFF
ID	Output Identification	
IDCF	Signal Identification Frequency	SIG ID → CF
ibei	to Center Frequency	510 15 - C1
IDFREQ	Signal Identification to	
IDIKLQ	Frequency Found	
IP	Instrument Preset	RECALL PWR ON, PRESET
ĽG	Logrithmic Display Scale	LOG dB/DIV
LN		LINEAR
MBIAS	Linear Display Scale Mixer Bias	BIAS
	Minimum Trace Hold	DIAS
MINH		
MKA	Marker Amplitude	MADIED OF
MKCF	Marker to Center Frequency	MARKER → CF
MKD	Marker Delta	MARKER DELTA
MKDR	Marker Delta Reciprocal	MARKER 1/DELTA
MKF	Marker Frequency	
MKFC	Marker Frequency Count	COUNTER ON OFF
MKFCR	Marker Frequency Count	COUNTER RES
	Resolution	
MKMIN	Marker to Minimum	
MKN	Marker Normal	MARKER NORMAL
MKNOISE	Marker Noise	MKRNOISE ON OFF
MKOFF	Marker Off	(OFF)
MKPK	Marker Peak Search	PEAK SEARCH
		PEAK SEARCH
MKPX	Marker Peak Excursion	PEAK EXCURSN
MKREAD	Marker Readout	TEAR EACONON
MKRL	Marker to Reference Level	MARKER→ REF LVL
		MKRA→ SPAN
MKSP MKSS	Marker Delta to Span	MARKER→ CF STEP
MINOS	Marker to Center Frequency	MAKKEK - C.F. STEF
MICT	Step Size	NAADIZED 4 JINCETA
MKT	Marker Time	MARKER 1/DELTA
MATTER ACTA		(when span > 0Hz)
MKTRACK	Marker Signal Track	SIG TRK ON OFF
ML	Mixer Level	MAX MXR LVL
MXMH	Maximum Hold	MAX HOLD A
		MAX HOLD B
OP	Output Display Parameters	
P1P2	Set P1, P2, of Display	PLOT ORG DSP GRAT
PLOT	Plot Display	PLOT ALL
PP	Preselector Peak	PRESEL AUTO PEAK
PRESEL	Preselector Data	RECALL PRSEL PK
		FACTORY PRSEL PK
PSTATE	Protect State	SAVELOCK ON OFF
RB	Resolution Bandwidth	RES BW AUTO MAN
RBR	Resolution Bandwidth to	RBW:SPAN
	Span Ratio	
RCLS	Recall State Register	RECALL STATE
RCLT	Recall Trace Register	RECALL TRACE
REV	Output Revision Number	
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RL RLCAL	Reference Level Reference Level Calibration	REF LVL, (AMPUTUD)
ROFFSET	Reference Level Offset	REF LVL OFFSET
		REF EVE OFFSET
RQS	Request Service Conditions	SAVE STATE
SAVES	Save State Save Trace	SAVE STATE SAVE TRACE
SAVET SER	Save Trace Serial Number	SAVE TRACE
SIGDEL		
	Signal Amplitude Delta	SIG ID ON OFF
SIGID	Signal Identify	SINGLE
SNGLS	Single Sweep	
SP	Frequency Span	SPANI
SQUELCH	Squelch for Demodulation	SQUELCH
SRQ	Service Request	
SS	Center Frequency Step Size	CF STEP AUTO MAN
ST	Sweep Time	SWP TIME AUTO MAN
STB	Status Byte Query	
SWPOUT	Sweep Output	REAR PANEL OUTPUT
TDF	Trace Data Format (Parameter Units ASCII or Binary)	
TITLE	Title Entry	SCREEN TITLE
TM	Trigger Mode	TRIGGER
TRA	Trace A Data Input/Output	\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\
TRB	Trace B Data Input/Output	
TS	Take Sweep	
VAVG	Video Average	VID AVG ON OFF
VB	Video Bandwidth	VIDEO BW AUTO MAN
VBR	Video Bandwidth Resolution Bandwidth Ratio	VBW:RBW
VIEW	View Trace	VIEW A, VIEW B
VOL	Volume	VOLUME, ((♠)), ((♠))
VTL	Video Trigger Level	VIDEO

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# APPENDIX B

# **HP-IB ERRORS**

Table B.1 contains the possible error messages that can appear in the lower-right corner of the HP 8562A/B display during remote operation. Another aid for determining programming errors is the "ERRORS" softkey. If an HP-IB error is generated in the HP 8562A/B during remote operation, the softkey "ERRORS" appears on the analyzer screen. Press this key to read the errors. The cause of the error appears in the active function block. After reviewing the errors, press CLR ALL & EXIT to return the previous spectrum analyzer display.

ERROR CODE	ERROR	PROBABLE CAUSE
100	NO PWRON	Power-on state not valid: a default state was loaded instead
101	NO STATE	Recalled state not valid or not saved
106	ABORTED	Aborted operation
107	HELLO ??	No HP-IB listener on bus
108	TIME OUT	Controller time out
109	CTRLFAIL	Take control of HP-IB falled
110	NOT CTRL	Not a controller
111	# ARGMTS	Command does not have enough arguments
312	??CMD??	Command not recognized
113	FREQ NO!	Command cannot have frequency units
114	TIME NO!	Command cannot have time units
115	AMPL NO!	Command cannot have amplitude units
716	?UNITS??	Units not recognized
117	NOP NUM	Command cannot have numeric units
118	NOPEP	Enable parameter cannot be used
11 <b>9</b>	NOP UPDN	Up/down are not valid arguments for the command
120	NOP ONOF	On/off are not valid arguments for the command
121	NOP ARG	Auto/man are not valid arguments for the command
122	NOP TRC	Trace register not valid for the command
123	NOP ABLK	A-block not valid for the command
124	NOP IBLK	E-block not valid for the command
125	NO STRNG	Strings are not valid for the command
126	NO?	Query is not allowed for the command
127	BAD DTMD	Detector mode is not valid
128	PK WHAT?	Peak-search parameter is not valid
129	PRETERM	Premeture termination
136	BAD TOF	Arguments are valid only for the TDF command
131	?? AM/FM	AM/FM are not valid arguments for the command
132	FAV/RMP	FAV/RAMP are not valid arguments for the command
133	UNT/EXT	INT/EXT are not valid arguments for the command
134	??? ZERO	ZERO is not a valid argument for the command
135	777 CURR	CURR is not a valid argument for the command
138	??? FULL	FULL is not a valid argument for the command
137	777 LAST	LAST is not a valid argument for the command
138	IGRT/DSP	GRT/DSP is not a valid argument for the command
139	PLOTONLY	Use argument only with the PLOT command
140	?? PWRON	PWRON is not a valid argument for the command
141	BAD ARG	Argument is valid only for the FDIAG command
142	SAD ARG	Query is expected for the FDIAG command
143	NO PRESI.	Preselector hardware is required
144	NEXT 44	Next error space

Table B.1. HP 8562A/B HP-IB errors.

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### BALKWARD COMPATIBLE COMMANDS

The following list of commands are used by the HP 8566A and 8568A spectrum analyzers and are recognized by the HP8562A/B. This allows the 8562A/B to use programs written for these Hewlett-Packard spectrum analyzers with only minor modifications. It is recommended that only the 8562A/B programming commands be used when writing new programs.

Old Command	HP 8562A/B Command	Description	Old Command	HP 8562A/B Command	Description
A1	CLRW TRA	Clear-Write Trace A	E4	MKRL	Marker to Reference Level
A2	MXMH TRA	Maximum Hold Trace A	EX	AXB	Exchange Trace A and Trace B
A3	VIEW TRA	Store-View Trace A	GZ KZ	GHZ KHZ	Gigahertz (unit) Kilohertz (unit)
A4	BLANK TRA	Blank Trace A	l Lo	DL OFF	Display Line off
B1	CLRW TRB	Clear-Write Trace B	LB	TEXT	Write text to display
B2	MXMH TRB	Maximum Hold Trace B	M1 M2	MKOFF MKN	Marker off Marker Normal
В3	VIEW TRB	Store-View Trace B	M3	MKD	on Marker Delta on
B4	BLANK TRB	Blank Trace B	MA	MKA?	Query Marker
BL	BML	Trace B minus Display Line	MF	MKF?	Amplitude Query Marker
C1	AMB OFF	Trace A minus			Frequency
C2	AMB ON	Trace B off Trace A minus	MZ MT0	MHZ MKTRACK OFF	Megahertz (unit) Marker Track off
CA	AT AUTO	Trace B on Couples the RF attenuator	MT1 PRSDAC	MKTRACK ON PSDAC	Marker Track on Query Preselector DAC number
CR	RB AUTO	Couples the reso- lution bandwidth	RC	RCLS	Recall Instrument State
CS	SS AUTO	Couples the center frequency	S1	CONTS	Continuous Sweep
		step size	S2	SNGLS	Single Sweep
CT	ST AUTO	Couples the sweep time	SV	SAVES	Save instrument State
CV	VB AUTO	Couples the video bandwidth	Tī	TM	Trigger Mode Free Run
E1	MKPK HI	Marker to highest peak	T2 T3	TM LIN TM EXT	Trigger Mode Line Trigger Mode
E2	MKCF	Marker to Center			External
E3	MKSS	Frequency Marker Frequency	T4	TM VID	Trigger Mode Video
		to Center	TA	TRA?	Trace A Data
		Frequency Step Size	ТВ	TRB7	Trace B Data

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All Serials HP 8562A/B: Change "0.5V/GHz from 0-22 GHz" to "0.5V/GHz from 0-22 GHZ (Option

026: 0.5 V/GHz from 0-16.5 GHz)."

HP 8561A: Change "0.5V/GHz from 0-22 GHz" to "0.5V/GHz from 0-6.5 GHz."

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Paragraph 2, CENTER FREQ

All Serials HP 8562A/B: Change "2.75 GHz-22 GHz" to "2.75 GHz - 22 GHz (Option 026:

2.75 GHz - 26.5 GHz)."

HP 8561A: Change "2.75 GHz - 22 GHz" to "2.75 GHz - 6.5 GHz."

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Paragraph 2, NOTE

All Serials HP 8562A/B: Change "2.75 GHz - 22 GHz" to "2.75 GHz - 22 GHz (Option 026:

2.75 GHz - 26.5 GHz)."

HP 8561A: Change "2.75 GHz - 22 GHz: to "2.75 GHz - 6.5 GHz."

Paragraph 4, FULL SPAN

HP 8562A/B: Change "the full span is 19.25 GHz" to "the full span is 19.25 GHz.

(Option 026: 23.75 GHz)"

HP 8561A: Change "the full span is 19.25 GHz" to "the full span is 3.75 GHz."

**PAGE 2-4:** 

Table 2.1. Frequency bands and their minimum reference levels.

All Serials HP 8562A/B: Under BAND, change "19.1 GHz - 22 GHz" to "19.1 GHz -

22 GHz(Option 026: 19.1 GHz - 26.5 GHz)."

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Table 4.1. State of instrument after [PRESET] is executed

All Serials HP 8562A/B: In the STATE column, make the following changes:

Change line 2, CENTER FREQ, from "12.38 GHz (HP 8562A)" to "12.38 GHz

(HP 8562A) Option 026: 14.63 GHz (HP 8562A)."

Change line 3, SPAN, from "19.25 GHz (HP 8562A)" to "19.25 GHz (HP 8562A)

Option 026: 23.75 GHz (HP 8562A)."

Change line 4, CF STEP, from "1.93 GHz, AUTO" to "1.93 GHz, AUTO

(Option 026: 2.375 GHz, AUTO)."

Change line 20, SWEEP TIME, from "400 ms, AUTO" to "400 ms, AUTO

(Option 026: 500 ms, AUTO)."

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Last paragraph, SIG ID CF

All Serials

HP 8562A/B: Change "less than 22 GHz" to "less than 22 GHz(Option 026:

less than 26.5 GHz)."

HP 8561A: Change "less than 22 GHz" to "less than 6.5 GHz."

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Paragraph 7, 0.5V/GHz (FAV)

All Serials

HP 8562A/B: Change "0 Hz to 22 GHz" to "0 Hz to 22 GHz (Option 026:

0 Hz to 26.5 GHz)."

HP 8561A: Change "0 Hz to 22 GHz" to "0 Hz to 6.5 GHz."

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HP 8561A: All Serials

Paragraph 6, RES BW and RES BW AUTO MAN

HP 8562A: 2805A

Change the second sentence to read:

HP 8562B: 2809A

The bandwidth, which appears in the active function blocks, ranges from 100 Hz to 1 MHz in a 1, 3, 10 sequence and 2 MHz (3 MHz at -6dB).

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HP 8561A: All Serials

Paragraph 8

HP 8562A: 2805A

Above paragraph 8, PLOTTER MENU, add the following text:

HP 8562B: 2809A

**PRINT/PLOT** Accesses a menu of print and plot modes which are

described below.

**PRINT** Prints the entire contents of the spectrum analyzer

display (except for the menus and error codes).

When PRINT is active, STOP PRINT appears in its place, allowing you to stop printing before it is

finished.

COLOR PRINT Prints the entire contents of the spectrum

analyzer display (except for the menus and error codes) in color to the HP 3630A PaintJet printer. When COLOR PRINT is active, STOP PRINT appears in its place, allowing you to stop printing before it is finished. Colors of the printed display are

fixed by the spectrum analyzer.

NOTE

If the HP 3630A PaintJet printer is not connected at the execution of COLOR PRINT, erroneous information will be printed.

PLOT ALL

Same as PLOT ALL.
Same as PLOTTER MENU.

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Paragraph 1, Preselector Control

HP 8562A: 2805A

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HP 8562B: 2809A

**Printer Output** 

**PRINT** 

Sends the analyzer display to a printer.

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#### Table 14.3 HP 8562A/B preset state.

All Serials

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GHz (HP 8562A) Option 026: 14.63 GHz (HP 8562A)."

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Change line 20, SWEEP TIME, from "400 ms, AUTO" to "400 ms AUTO

(Option 026: 500 ms, AUTO)."

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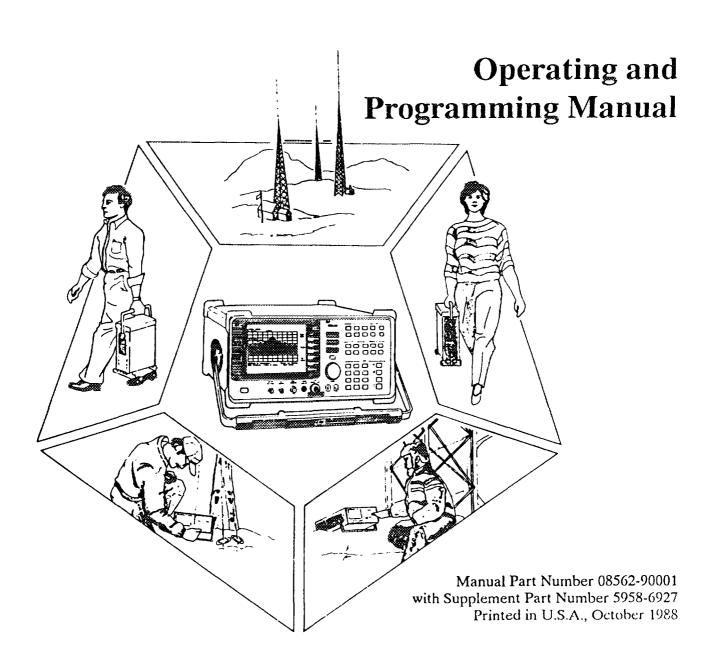
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- Tells you what to do in case of a failure

#### **Operating and Programming Manual**

HP Part Number 08562-90001 with Supplement Part Number 5958-6927

- Tells you how to make measurements with your spectrum analyzer
- Tells you how to program your spectrum analyzer
- Describes analyzer features

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# CHAPTER 1

#### **INSTRUMENT OVERVIEW**

This chapter introduces the front- and rear-panel keys and connectors on the HP 8561A and HP 8562A/B Spectrum Analyzer. Complete descriptions of each front-panel function appear in Chapters 2-5. Many of the descriptions included in this manual are written specifically for the HP 8562A. Frequency range and other characteristics of your spectrum analyzer may differ.

#### THE FRONT PANEL

The following paragraphs briefly describe the groups of front-panel keys shown in Figure 1.1.

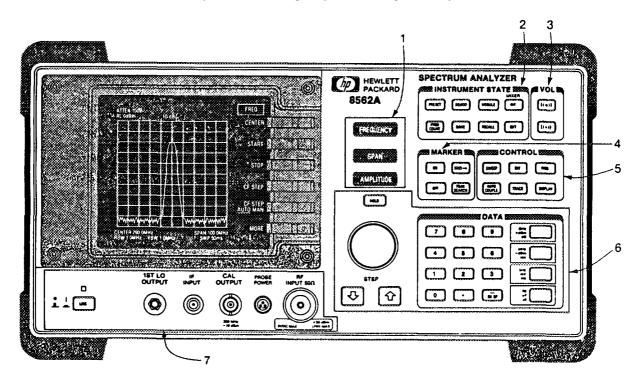


Figure 1-1. HP 8562A/B front panel.

- 1. FREQUENCY, SPAN, and AMPLITUDE are the fundamental functions for most measurments.
- 2. INSTRUMENT STATE functions generally affect the state of the entire spectrum analyzer, not just of a single function.

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- 3. VOL functions control the volume of the speaker in the spectrum analyzer. ((•)) increases volume, ((•)) decreases it.
- 4. MARKER functions, to describe a few, read out frequencies and amplitudes along the spectrum analyzer trace; allow you to make relative measurements; automatically locate the signal of highest amplitude on a trace; and tunes the analyzer to automatically track a signal.
- 5. CONTROL functions allow you to adjust the resolution and video bandwidths, the sweeptime, and the display, and to vary other functions that control spectrum analyzer measurement capabilities.
- 6. DATA keys, STEP keys, and the knob allow you to change the numeric value of an active function. Use the DATA keys to enter an exact value or to quickly move from one end of the frequency range to the other. The STEP keys vary a value in predefined increments or, for some functions, in increments that you choose. The knob allows you to "fine tune" most numeric values. The HOLD key freezes the active function and holds it at a set value until the function key is pressed again. HOLD also blanks the softkey menu.
- 7. The signal connections provide an RF input, active-probe power, a 300 MHz calibrator signal, a 310.7 MHz IF input, and a first LO output. These functions are described more fully in Table 1.1. The LINE button turns on the spectrum analyzer. The LED above indicates whether or not AC power is applied to the spectrum analyzer.

### CAUTION

The maximum input level to the RF input is +30 dBm with a minimum of 10 dB input attenuation. Maximum DC voltage to the RF input is 0 V. Exceeding either of these levels can damage the input attenuator and the input mixer.

CONNECTOR	FREQUENCY RANGE	AMPLITUDE/ VOLTAGE LIMITS	
RF INPUT	1 kHz – 22 GHz (up to XX GHz with external mixers)	0 Vdc Max +10 dBm <b>Ma</b> x	
PROBE POWER	STACK STACK STACK STACK	+15V, -12V (150 mA max)	
CALIBRATOR OUTPUT	300 MHz	−10 dBm	
IF INPUT	321.4 MHz	0 Vdc Max	
OUTPUT	3 GHz -6.81 GHz	+16 dBm	

Table 1-1. Front-panel connector data.

#### Display Annotation

Figure 1.2 illustrates the display annotation.

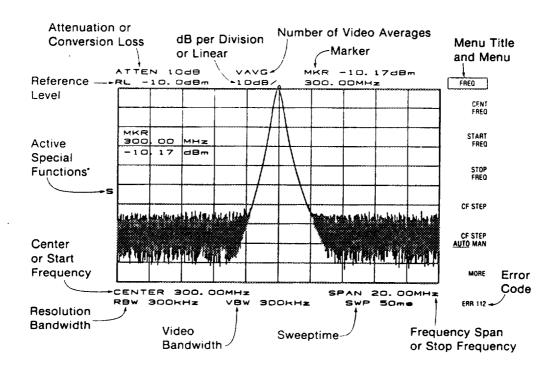


Fig. 1.2. Display annotation.

\* The following characters appear in a vertical line and indicate activated functions:

- T = Trigger Mode set to Line, Video, or External
- D = Detector Mode set to Sample, Negative, or Positive
- S = Single Sweep Active
- F = Frequency Offset <> 0 Hz
- X = External Frequency Reference Active
- R = Reference Level Offset < > 0 dB
- A = IF Adjust Turned Off
- K = Signal Track Active
- M = Trace Math On
- + = Positive External Mixer Bias On
- = Negative External Mixer Bias On

#### MANUAL OPERATION

#### THE REAR PANEL

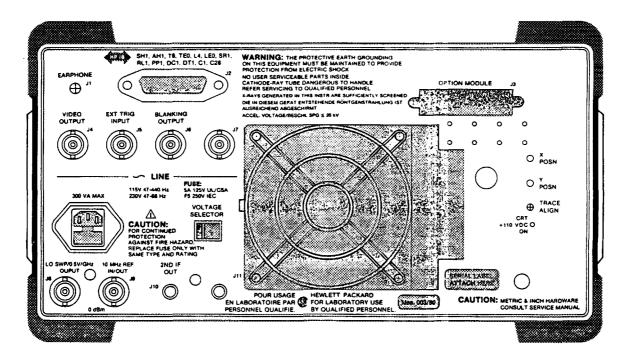


Figure 1-3. HP 8562A/B rear panel.

# CAUTION

To prevent damage to the instrument, be sure to set the voltage selector to the approximate value for your local line-voltage output. For more information, refer to the Installation and Support Manual.

The LINE input operates at nominally 115 V (47-440 Hz) or at nominally 230 V (47-66 Hz).

J1 provides a  $4\Omega$  impedance earphone jack.

J2 is the Hewlett-Packard Interface Bus (HP-IB) connector.

J3 allows you to connect optional modules, such as the HP 85629B Test and Adjustments Module.

# **CHAPTER 12**

#### LANGUAGE NOTATION

This chapter contains the language notation for HP 8561A and 8562A/B programming commands.

#### SYNTAX CONVENTIONS

Circle or Oval: contains literal characters (except for SP, which denotes a space).

Rectangle: syntax elements which are defined below.

Solid Line: represents the recommended path.

Dotted Line: represents an optional path. These paths are not recommended.

Space: use spaces anywhere in the data stream, except within alpha identifiers or while accepting

binary data.

Comma: use commas to separate parameters. Spaces are allowed, but not recommended. Semicolon: use semicolons to terminate commands. Other terminators are available (line feed, carriage return, space, and comma) but are not recommended.

#### **QUERY RESPONSE**

Expected query responses are provided for each command, where applicable. For information on how to query the spectrum analyzer for values, refer to Chapte 11 of this manual.

#### ELEMENTS IN RECTANGULAR BOXES

number: reals or integers. Defined for each command where used.

delimiter: string delimiters. ! " % % % '/: < = > @

data byte: character or numeric data. Defined for each command where used.

msb/lsb length: character or numerical data. Defined for each command where used.

# **SECONDARY KEYWORDS**

#### NOTE

After executing a command with "EP" as a secondary keyword, select a numeric value using the spectrum analyzer DATA keys, STEP keys, or knob. When using the DATA keys, be sure to terminate the value with a units key (such as Hz), dBm, etc.). When using the STEP keys or the knob, terminate the value with HOLD.

### SECONDARY KEYWORD SUMMARY

Α	ampere (unit); A-block data format
ALL	all (marker off,plot screen)
AM	amplitude modulation (DEMOD)
ANNT	annotation
AUTO	automatic operation
В	8-bit byte output format
CURR	current (IF adjustment)
DB	relative decibel (unit)
DBM	absolute decibel milliwatt (unit)
DBMV	absolute decibel millivolt (unit)
DBUV	absolute decibel microvolt (unit)
DM	absolute decibel milliwatt (unit)
DN	decrement the parameter
DSP	display
EP	enable parameter for front panel operator entry
EXT	external
FAV	frequency analog voltage (sweep output)
FM	frequency modulation (DEMOD)
FREE	free run
FULL	full band span width
GHZ	gigahertz (unit)
GRT	graticule
GZ	gigahertz (unit)
HARM	harmonic number (frequency diagnostic)
HI	highest
HZ	hertz
I	I-block data format
INT	internal (reference, mixer mode)
KHZ	kilohertz (unit)
KZ	kilohertz (unit)
LAST	previous state before a change
LAST SPAN	previous span before a change
LINE	line, as in power line
	1 1 11 11

local oscillator (frequency diagnostic)

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# CHAPTER 13

### **PROGRAMMING CODES**

#### (functional index)

Alternate commands common to the HP 8561A and 8562A/B, and the HP 8566/8568A are shown in parentheses (). For further information see the section on Backward-Compatible Commands in this guide.

#### **Amplitude Control**

AT Specifies input attenuation. AT AUTO Couples input attenuation (CA). Specifies amplitude units for input, output and display. **AUNITS** Selects log scale. LG Selects linear scale. LN Move active marker amplitude to reference level (E4). **MKRL** Specifies mixer level. ML Specifies reference level. RL Calibrates reference level. **RLCAL** Specifies referrence level offset. **ROFFSET** 

#### **Bandwidth Control**

PWRBW
RB Identifies the bandwidth of a desired percent of the displayed power.

Specifies resolution bandwidth.

RB AUTO Couples resolution bandwidth (CR).

Specifies the coupling ratio of resolution bandwidth and frequency span.

VB Specifies the video bandwidth.

VB AUTO Couples video bandwidth (CV).

VBR Specifies coupling ratio of video bandwidth and resolution bandwidth.

#### **Coupling Control**

AUTOCPL Auto couple all controls. AT AUTO Auto couple the RF attenuator (CA). Auto couple resolution bandwidth (CR). RB AUTO Auto couple center frequency step size (CS). SS AUTO Auto couple sweep time (CT). **ST AUTO** Auto couple video bandwidth (CV). **VB AUTO** Specifies coupling ratio of resolution bandwidth and frequency span. RBR Specifies coupling ratio of video bandwidth and resolution bandwidth. **VBR** 

#### LANGUAGE REFERENCE

#### Demodulation

**DEMOD** Demodulation.

**DEMODAGC** Demodulation auto gain control.

**DEMODT** Demodulation time.

**SOUELCH** Squelch control for demodulation.

**VOL** Sets speaker volume.

#### Display Control

ANNOT Turns annotation on or off. Preset condition is on.

AUNITS Specifies amplitude units for input, output, and display.

DL Specifies display line level in dBm.

Turns display line on and off (L0).

FDSP Turns all frequency display annotation off. Power-on preset is only way to

turn back on.

GRAT Turns graticule on or off. Preset condition is on.

LG Selects log scale.
LN Selects linear scale.

**TH** Specifies display threshold value.

#### **External Mixing**

**CNVLOSS** Sets reference level offset to compensate for external mixer conversion loss.

**FULBAND** Sets start and stop frequencies for full waveguide bands.

HNLOCK
HNUNLK
Unlocks the specified harmonic number.
Unlocks the specified harmonic number.
Sets center frequency to frequency of SIGID.
Returns frequency of identified signal.
MBIAS
Specifies the bias level for external mixers.

MKPX Specifies minimum excursion for peak identification. Default value is 6 dB.

MXRMODE Specifies either internal or external mixing.

**SIGID** Identifies signals for external mixing frequency bands.

#### Frequency Control

**CF** Specifies center frequency.

SS AUTO Couples center frequency step size (CS).

FA Specifies start frequency.
FB Specifies stop frequency.
FOFFSET Specifies frequency offset.

**FREF** Specifies the frequency reference source.

**FS** Specifies full frequency span as defined by instrument state.

**FULBAND** Sets the start and stop frequency for full waveguide band. (external mixing only)

MKFCR Specifies resolution of frequency counter.

**SP** Specifies frequency span.

Specifies center frequency step size.

**Information and Service Diagnostics** 

ADJALL Initiates power-on adjustment sequence.

ADJCRT Initiates CRT adjustment patterns.
ADJIF Initiates IF adjustment sequence.

ERR? Returns list of instrument error codes.

ET? Elapsed time.

FDIAG Returns frequency of specified oscillator.

ID? Returns the HP model number of analyzer used (e.g. 8562) PSDAC Returns preselector DAC setting at frequency of marker.

REV? Returns analyzer revision number.

RLCAL Calibrates reference level.

RQS Returns decimal weighting of status byte bits which are enabled during service

request.

SER? Returns analyzer serial number.

**Instrument State Control** 

IP Sets instrument parameters to preset values.

RCLS Recalls previously saved state (RC).
PSTATE Protect saved states (save lock).

SAVES Saves current state of the analyzer in the specified register (SV).

**Marker Control** 

MKA Amplitude of active marker (MA).

MKCF Enters marker frequency into center frequency (E2).

MKD Moves delta marker to specified frequency (M3).

MKDR Marker delta reciprocal, readout in time.

MKF Frequency of active marker (MF).

MKFC Counts marker frequency for greater resolution (See MKFCR).

MKFCR Specifies resolution of marker frequency counter.

MKMIN Moves marker to minimum signal detected.

MKN Moves marker to specified frequency or center screen (M2).

MKNOISE Returns average noise value at marker, normalized to 1 Hz bandwidth.

MKOFF Turns the active marker off (M1).

MKPK Moves marker to signal peak (E1).

MKPT Specifies marker peak threshold.

MKPX Specifies minimum excursion for peak identification. Default value is 6 dB.

MKRL Moves active marker to reference leve (E4).

MKSP Moves marker delta frequency into span.

MKSS Moves marker frequency to center frequency step size (E3).

MKSWP Marker sweep.

MKT Positions marker at point corresponding to the time from beginning of sweep.

MKTRACE Moves marker to same position on another trace.

MKTRACK Turns Marker Signal track on (MT1) or off (MT0).

**Plotter Output** 

PLOT Sends analyzer display to a plotter.

PLOTORG Scaling points for plot.
PLOTSRC Specifies plot source.

#### LANGUAGE REFERENCE

#### Preselector Control

PP

Peaks preselector.

PSDAC

Preselector peak data.

#### Service Request

**RQS** 

Specifies the decimal weighting of status byte bits which are allowed during service

request. Set to 0 with powerup or device clear.

SRQ

Sets service request if operand bits are allowed by RQS.

STB

Returns the decimal equivalent of the bits set in the status byte.

BIT	DECIMAL	DEFINITION
7	<u></u>	Not used.
6	64	Request service.
5	32	Error present in error
		register.
4	16	Command complete
3		Not used.
2	4	End of sweep.
1	2	Message occurred.
0	0	Cleared.

### Sweep and Trigger Control

**CONTS** 

Selects continuous sweep mode (S1).

ST AUTO

Specifies sweep time.

CNOT

Couples sweep time.

SNGLS

Selects single sweep mode (S2).

TM

Selects trigger mode: free run (T1), video (T4), line (T2), external (T3).

TS VTL Takes a sweep. Video trigger level.

#### Synchronization

TS

Takes a sweep.

DONE?

Returns a 1 when task has been completed.

#### **Trace Functions**

**Processing** 

BLANK Stores and blanks specified trace register (A4/B4).

CLRW Clear-writes specified trace register (A1/B1).

FFT Displays the Fourier Transfer of the trace.

MINH Holds the minimum trace register values.

MXMH Max holds the specified trace register (A2/B2).

RCLT Recall specified trace data.

SAVET Save specified trace data.

TRA Input/output trace A.

TRB Input/output trace B.

VIEW Views specified trace register (A3/B3).

Math

AMB A-B into A (C1/C2). AMBPL A-B + DL into A.

APB A + B into A.

AXB Exchanges A and B (EX).

BML B-DL into B (BL).

VAVG Turns video averaging on or off.

Other

AUNITS Specifies amplitude units for input, output, and display.

DET Specifies input detector type.

TITLE Writes specified ASCII characters in title block area of display.

**Operator Entry** 

HD Holds or disables data entry and blanks active function CRT readout.

**Output Format Control** 

AUNITS Specifies amplitude units for input, output, and display.

MKA? Returns marker amplitude (MA).

MKF? Returns marker frequency (MF).

SWPOUT Specifies the sweep output.

TRA? Outputs trace A (TA).
TRB? Outputs trace B (TB).

TDF Selects trace data output format as binary (B) or real numbers (P) in Hz, volts, dB

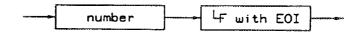
or watts. Preset is P.

"ragger"
1760000F1
VALUE OF

### PRESET STATE

3.25 GHz (HP 8561A) 12.38 GHz (HP 8562A) 1.45 GHz (HP 8562B)

### **QUERY RESPONSE**

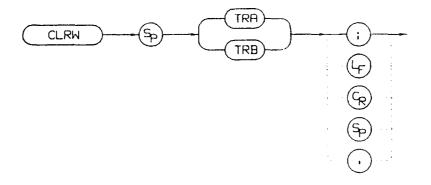


### **EXAMPLE**

10	OUTPUT 718; "IP; "
20	OUTPUT 718; "CF 300MHZ; SP 20MHZ; TS; "
30	OUTPUT 718; "CF?;"
40	ENTER 718; Cf
50	PRINT Cf
60	END

# CLRW CLEAR WRITE

### **SYNTAX**



### **DESCRIPTION**

The CLRW command sets the chosen trace to clear-write mode. This mode sets each element of the chosen trace to the bottom-screen value; then new data from the detector is put in the trace with each sweep.

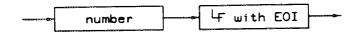
# **EXAMPLE**

10	OUTPUT	718;"IP;"		
20	OUTPUT	718; "BLANK	TRA; CLRW	TRB;"
30	END			

#### PRESET STATE

0 Hz (HP 8561A) 2.75 GHz (HP 8562A) 0 Hz (HP 8562B)

### **QUERY RESPONSE**

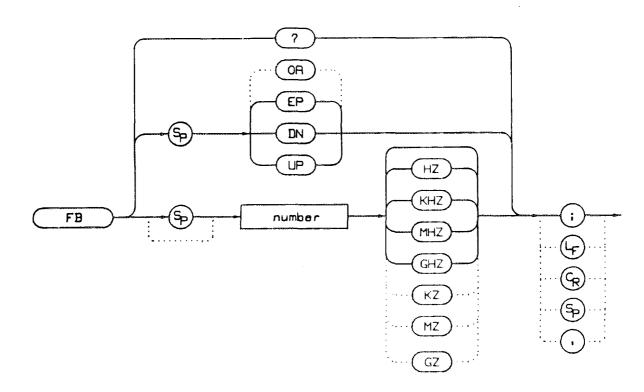


#### **EXAMPLE**

- 10 OUTPUT 718; "FA 88MHZ; FB 108MHZ; "
- 20 OUTPUT 718; "FA?; "
- 30 ENTER 718; Fa
- 40 PRINT Fa
- 50 END

# FB STOP FREQUENCY

#### **SYNTAX**



### **DESCRIPTION**

The FB command sets the stop frequency and sets the spectrum analyzer to start frequency/stop frequency mode. If the stop frequency is less than the start frequency, the start frequency is set equal to the stop frequency. The center frequency and span change with changes in the stop frequency.

#### **PARAMETERS**

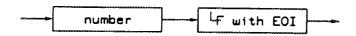
number: real from 0 to 22 E+9 (18 E+9 to 325 E+9 in external mixer mode).

UP/DN: increments in 10% of span.

#### PRESET STATE

6.5 GHz (HP 8561A) 22.0 GHz (HP 8562A) 2.9 GHz (HP 8562B)

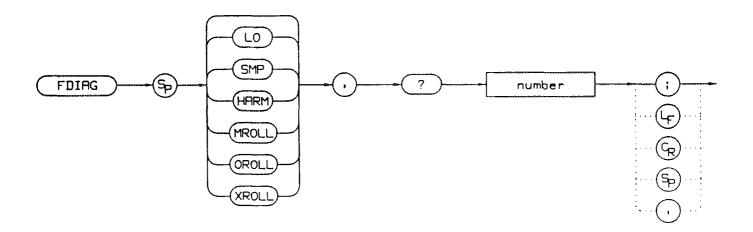
## **QUERY RESPONSE**



- 10 OUTPUT 718; "FA 88MHZ; FB 108MHZ; "
- 20 OUTPUT 718; "FB?; "
- 30 ENTER 718; Fb
- 40 PRINT Fb
- 50 END

# FDIAG FREQUENCY DIAGNOSTICS

#### **SYNTAX**



#### **DESCRIPTION**

The FDIAG command activates the frequency diagnostic routine, which returns the frequency of the specified oscillator.

#### **PARAMETERS**

LO: returns the first local oscillator frequency corresponding to the current start frequency.

SMP: returns the sampling oscillator corresponding to the current start frequency.

HARM: returns the sampler harmonic number corresponding to the current start frequency.

MROLL: returns the main roller oscillator frequency corresponding to the current start frequency.

OROLL: returns the offset roller oscillator frequency corresponding to the current start frequency.

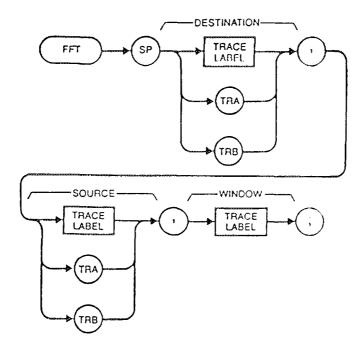
XROLL: returns the transfer roller oscillator frequency corresponding to the current start frequency.

10	OUTPUT 718; "FDSP OFF; "
20	OUTPUT 718; "FDSP?; "
30	ENTER 718; Fdsp
40	PRINT Fdsp
50	END

#### FFT

Fast Fourier Transform

#### **SYNTAX**



#### DESCRIPTION

The FFT command performs a Discrete Fourier Transform on the source trace array and stores the logs of the magnitudes of the results in the destination array. The maximum length of any of the traces in 601 points.

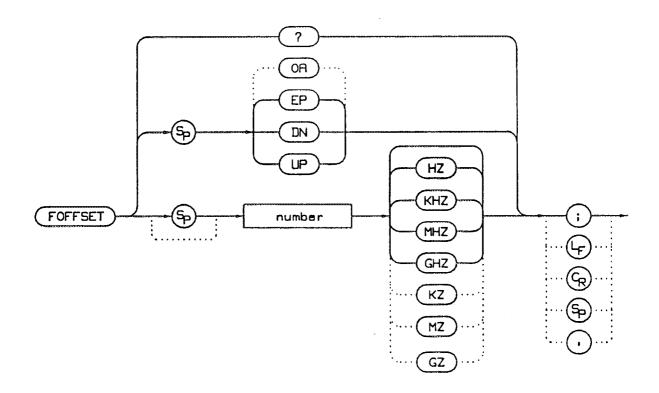
The FFT results are displayed on the spectrum analyzer in logarithmic scale. For the horizontal dimension, the frequency at the left side of the graph is 0 Hz, and at the right side is Fmax. Fmax can be calculated using a few simple equations and the sweeptime of the analyzer. The sweeptime divided by the number of trace array elements containing amplitude information is equal to the sampling period. The reciprocal of the sampling period is the sampling rate. The sampling rate divided by two yields Fmax.

For example, let the sweep time of the analyzer be 20 ms and the number of trace elements be 600. 20 msec divided by 600 equals 50  $\mu$ sec, the sampling period. The sample rate is  $1/50 \mu$ sec. Fmax equals  $1/50 \mu$ sec divided by 2, or 10 kHz.

FFT is designed to be used in transforming zero span information into the frequency domain. Performing FFT on a frequency sweep will not provide time domain results.

## FOFFSET FREQUENCY OFFSET

#### **SYNTAX**



#### **DESCRIPTION**

The FOFFSET command adds a specified offset to the displayed absolute-frequency values, including marker-frequency values. It does not affect the frequency range of the sweep, nor does it affect relative frequency readouts. When this function is active, an "F" appears on the left side of the display.

#### **PARAMETERS**

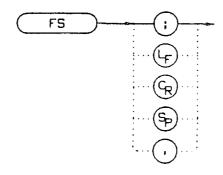
number: real from 0 to 22 E+9. UP/DN: changes by 20% of span.

10	INPUT "WHAT IS THE FREQUENCY REFERENCE SOURCE (INT OR EXT)", Src
20	OUTPUT 718; "FREF "; Src\$; "; "
30	PRINT "SOURCE SELECTED IS", Src\$
40	END

# FS

**FULL SPAN** 

#### **SYNTAX**



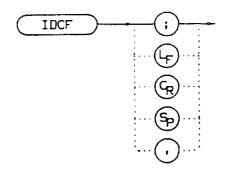
## **DESCRIPTION**

The FS command selects the full frequency span as defined by the instrument. The full span for low band (0-2.9 GHz) is 2.9 GHz; for high band (greater than 2.75 GHz), the full span is 6.5 GHz for the 8561A and 19.25 for the 8562A/B.

- 10 OUTPUT 718; "FS; "
- 20 END

# IDCF SIGNAL IDENTIFICATION TO CENTER FREQUENCY

#### **SYNTAX**



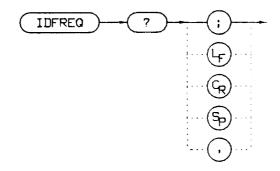
#### **DESCRIPTION**

The IDCF command sets the center frequency to the frequency obtained from the command SIGID. SIGID must be in AUTO mode and have found a valid result for this command to execute properly. For use on signals less than the spectrum analyzer's maximum frequency.

- 10 OUTPUT 718; "SIGID AUTO;"
- 20 OUTPUT 718; "IDCF; "
- 30 OUTPUT 718; "CF?; "
- 40 ENTER 718;Cf
- 50 PRINT Cf
- 60 END

# IDFREQ SIGNAL IDENTIFIED FREQUENCY

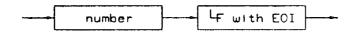
## **SYNTAX**



## **DESCRIPTION**

The IDFREQ command returns the frequency of the last identified signal. After an instrument preset or an invalid signal identification, IDFREQ returns a 0.

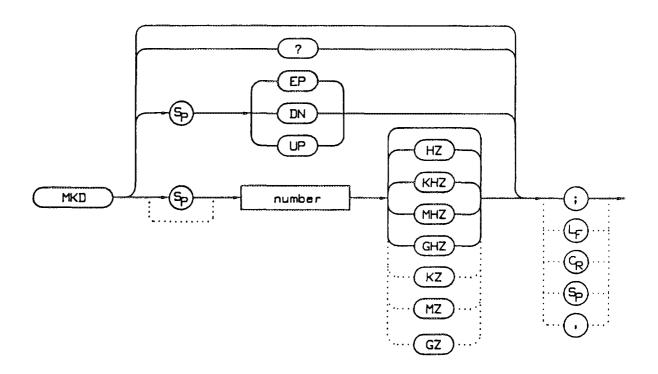
# **QUERY RESPONSE**



10	OUTPUT 718; "IDFREQ?; "
20	ENTER 718; Idfreq
30	PRINT Idfreq
40	END

## MKD MARKER DELTA

#### **SYNTAX**



#### **DESCRIPTION**

The MKD command places a second marker on the trace. The number specifies the distance in frequency or time (when in zero span) between the two markers.

#### **PARAMETERS**

number: real from -2.9 E+9 to +2.9 E+9 in low band or from -maximum frequency in Hz to +maximum frequency in Hz in high band (-3.7 E+9 to +307 E+9 in external mixer mode). UP/DN: increments in 10% of span.

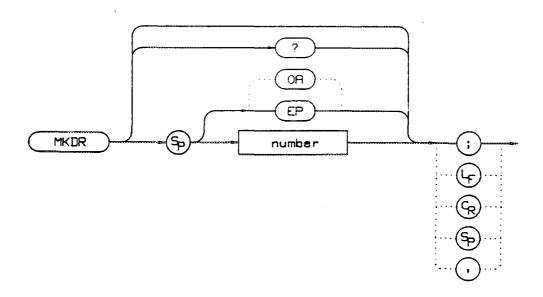
# **QUERY RESPONSE**



10	OUTPUT 718; "IP; CF 450MHZ; SP 400MHZ; "
20	OUTPUT 718; "TS; MKPK HI; MKD 300MHZ; "
30	OUTPUT 718; "MKPK HI; MKD; MKPK NH; MKD?; "
40	ENTER 718; Mkd
50	PRINT Mkd
60	END

# MKDR RECIPROCAL OF MARKER DELTA

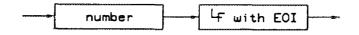
### **SYNTAX**



## **DESCRIPTION**

The MKDR command returns the reciprocal of the frequency or time (when in zero span) difference between two markers.

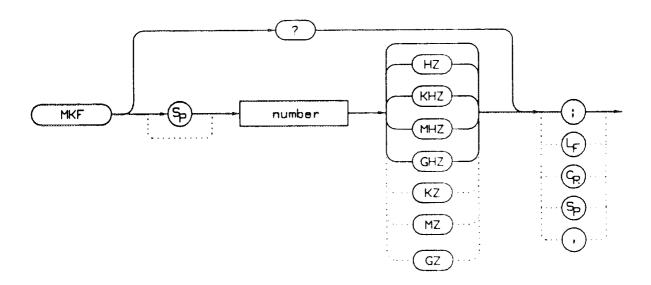
# **QUERY RESPONSE**



10	OUTPUT 718; "CF 300MHZ; SP 200MHZ;;"
20	OUTPUT 718; "TS; MKPK HI; MKD; MKPK NH; MKDR?; "
30	ENTER 718; Period
40	PRINT "THE TIME PERIOD IS ", Period
50	END

## MKF MARKER FREQUENCY

#### **SYNTAX**



#### **DESCRIPTION**

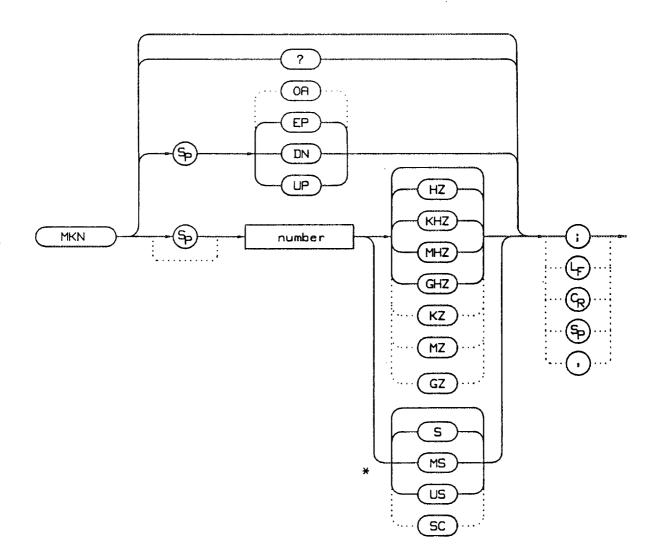
The MKF command places an active marker on the chosen frequency or can be queried to return the frequency of the active marker.

# **PARAMETERS**

number: real from 0 to maximum frequency in Hz.

# MKN MARKER NORMAL

### **SYNTAX**



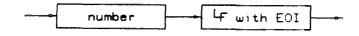
### **DESCRIPTION**

The MKN command places an active marker on the specified frequency. If no frequency is specified, MKN places the marker at the center of the trace. When in zero span, querying MKN returns the center frequency.

#### **PARAMETERS**

number: real from 0 to maximum frequency in Hz (18 E+9 to 325 E+9 in external mixer mode). UP/DN: increments in 10% of span.

#### **QUERY RESPONSE**



#### **EXAMPLE**

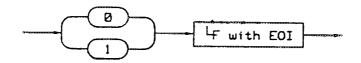
10 INPUT "ENTER IN THE START FREQUENCY, IN MHZ", Start\_freq INPUT "ENTER IN THE STOP FREQUENCY, IN MHZ", Stop freq 20 30 OUTPUT 718; "IP; FA "; Start\_freq; "MHZ" 40 OUTPUT 718; "FB "; Stop\_freq; "MHZ; " 50 OUTPUT 718; "MKN EP;" PRINT "PLACE THE MARKER ON THE DESIRED SIGNAL" 60 PRINT "PRESS HOLD THEN PRESS CONTINUE" 70 80 PAUSE 90 OUTPUT 718; "MKN?;" 100 ENTER 718;Mkn

PRINT "MARKER FREQUENCY IS ", Mkn, "HZ"

END

110 120

# QUERY RESPONSE



10	OUTPUT 718; "PSTATE ON: "
20	OUTPUT 718; "PSTATE?; "
30	ENTER 718; State
40	PRINT State
50	OUTPUT 718; "PSTATE OFF; "
60	END

#### **PWRBW**

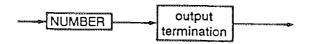
#### TRACE POWER BANDWIDTH

#### **DESCRIPTION**

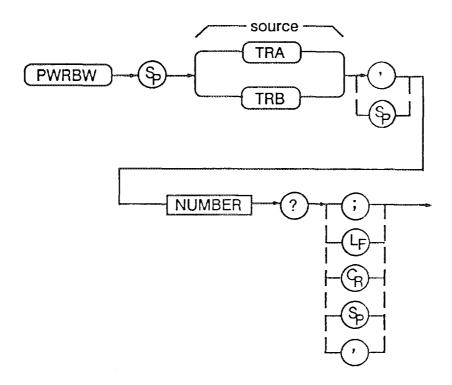
The PWRBW command first computes the combined power of all signal responses contained in a trace array. The command then computes the bandwidth equal to a percentage of the total qower.

For example, if 100% is specified, the power bandwidth equals the frequency range of the CRT display, which is 100 MHz if the frequency span per division is 10 MHz. If 50% is specified, trace elements are eliminated from either end of the array, until the combined power of the remaining signal response equals half of the original power computed. The frequency span of these remaining trace elements is the power bandwidth output to the controller.

#### **QUERY RESPONSE**

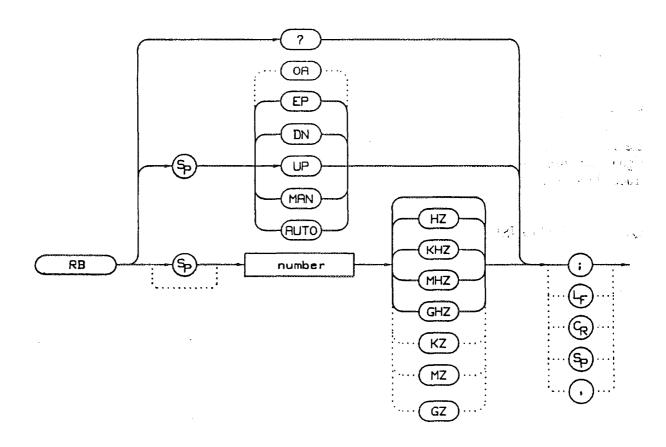


#### **SYNTAX**



# RB RESOLUTION BANDWIDTH

#### **SYNTAX**



## **DESCRIPTION**

The RB command sets the resolution bandwidth. This is normally a coupled function that is selected according to the ratio selected by the RBR command. If no ratio is selected, a default ratio (0.011) is used. The bandwidth, which ranges from 100 Hz to 1 MHz, may also be selected manually.

#### **PARAMETERS**

number: integer from 100 to 1 E+6. Numbers are rounded to the nearest bandwidth. UP/DN: increments in a 1, 3, 10 sequence.

