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# **Calibration Guide**

## **HP 8592D Spectrum Analyzer**



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## General Safety Considerations

**Warning**      *Before this instrument is switched on, make sure it has been properly grounded through the protective conductor of the ac power cable to a socket outlet provided with protective earth contact.*

**Any interruption of the protective (grounding) conductor, inside or outside the instrument, or disconnection of the protective earth terminal can result in personal injury.**

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**Warning**      **There are many points in the instrument which can, if contacted, cause personal injury. Be extremely careful.**

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

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**Caution**      *Before this instrument is switched on, make sure its primary power circuitry has been adapted to the voltage of the ac power source.*

Failure to set the ac power input to the correct voltage could cause damage to the instrument when the ac power cable is plugged in.

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## HP 8590 Series Spectrum Analyzer Documentation Description

The following guides are shipped with your spectrum analyzer:

### *HP 8590 Series Spectrum Analyzer User's Guide*

- Tells you how to make measurements with your spectrum analyzer
- Describes the spectrum analyzer features.
- Tells you what to do in case of a failure.

### *HP 8590 Series Spectrum Analyzer Quick Reference Guide*

- Describes how to make a simple measurement with your spectrum analyzer.
- Briefly describes the spectrum analyzer functions.
- Lists all the programming commands.

The Calibration Guide for your spectrum analyzer

- Tells you how to test your spectrum analyzer to determine if the spectrum analyzer meets its specifications.
- Lists specifications and characteristics for the spectrum analyzer.

## Documentation Options

### **Option 910:**

*HP 8590 Series Spectrum Analyzer User's Guide*

*HP 8590 Series Spectrum Analyzer Quick Reference Guide*

Calibration Guide (Model Specific)

Provides an additional copy of the HP 8590 Series User's, Programmer's, and Quick Reference Guides, and the Calibration Guide.

### **Option 915:**

Service Guide (Model Specific)

*HP 8590 Series Spectrum Analyzer Component-Level Information*

The service guide describes assembly-level repair of the spectrum analyzer. Component-level information provides information for component-level repair of the spectrum analyzer.

### **Option 021 and Option 023:**

*HP 8590 Series Spectrum Analyzer Programmer's Guide*

The programmer's guide describes spectrum analyzer operation via a remote controller (computer) for spectrum analyzers equipped with Options 021 or 023. This guide is provided when ordering spectrum analyzers equipped with either Option 021 or Option 023.

## How to Order Guides

Each of the guides listed above can be ordered individually. To order, contact your local HP Sales and Service Office.

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# How to Use This Guide

## Where to Start

If you have just received your spectrum analyzer and want to get ready for use for the first time, do the following:

- Read Chapters 1 and 2 of the *HP 8590 Series Spectrum Analyzer User's Guide*.
- Perform the initial self-calibration routines described in Chapter 2 of the *HP 8590 Series Spectrum Analyzer User's Guide* (these are automatic self-checks and require no test equipment).
- If you need to verify the unit is operating within its specifications, perform the performance verification tests in Chapter 1 of this guide.

After completing the performance verification, use the *HP 8590 Series Spectrum Analyzer User's Guide* to learn how to use the spectrum analyzer and to find more detailed information about the spectrum analyzer, its applications, and key descriptions.

## This guide uses the following conventions:

<b>Front-Panel Key</b>	A boxed, uppercase name in this typeface represents a key physically located on the instrument.
<b>Softkey</b>	A boxed word written in this typeface indicates a “softkey,” a key whose label is determined by the instrument’s firmware.
<b>Screen Text</b>	Text printed in this typeface indicates text displayed on the spectrum analyzer screen.
<b>Caution</b>	The CAUTION symbol denotes a hazard. It calls attention to a procedure which, if not correctly performed or adhered to, could result in damage to or destruction of the instrument. Do not proceed beyond a CAUTION symbol until the indicated conditions are fully understood and met.

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# Calibrating

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This chapter contains performance verification test procedures which test the electrical performance of the spectrum analyzer.

Allow the spectrum analyzer to warm up in accordance with the Temperature Stability specification in Chapter 2 before performing the tests in this chapter.

None of the test procedures involve removing the cover of the spectrum analyzer.

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## Calibration

Calibration verifies that the spectrum analyzer performance is within all specifications listed in Chapter 2. It is time consuming and requires extensive test equipment. Calibration consists of *all* the performance verification tests. See Table 1-1 for a complete listing of the performance verification tests.

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## Operation Verification

Operation verification consists of a subset of the performance verification tests. See Table 1-1. Operation verification tests only the most critical specifications of the spectrum analyzer. These tests are recommended for incoming inspection, troubleshooting, or after repair. Operation verification requires less time and equipment than the calibration.

The following table lists the performance verification tests included in this chapter. Select the spectrum analyzer option being calibrated and perform the tests marked in the option column. Note that some of the tests are used for both calibration and operation verification (marked with ).

**Table I-1. Performance Verification Tests**

Performance Verification Test Name	Calibration for Instrument Option:		
	Std <sup>1</sup>	026	027
1. Comb Generator Frequency Accuracy	•	•	•
2. Frequency Readout Accuracy	⊙	⊙	⊙
3. Noise Sidebands	⊙	⊙	⊙
4. System Related Sidebands	•	•	•
5. Frequency Span Readout Accuracy	⊙	⊙	⊙
6. Sweep Time Accuracy	•	•	•
7. Scale Fidelity	⊙	⊙	⊙
8. Reference Level Accuracy	⊙	⊙	⊙
9. Absolute Amplitude Calibration and Resolution Bandwidth Switching Uncertainties	⊙	⊙	⊙
10. Calibrator Amplitude and Frequency Accuracy	⊙	⊙	⊙
11. Frequency Response	⊙	⊙	⊙
12. Other Input Related Spurious Responses	•	•	•
13. Spurious <b>Response</b> <sup>2</sup>	⊙	⊙	⊙
14. Gain Compression	•	•	•
15. Displayed Average Noise Level	⊙	⊙	⊙
16. Residual Responses	•	•	•

<sup>1</sup> Use this column for all other options *not* listed in this table.

<sup>2</sup> "Part 2: Third Order Intermodulation Distortion, 50 MHz" is not required for operation verification.

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## Safety

Familiarize yourself with the safety symbols marked on the spectrum analyzer, and read the general safety instructions and the symbol definitions given in the front of this guide before you begin verifying the performance of the spectrum analyzer.

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## Before You Start

There are four things you should do before starting a performance verification test:

- Switch the spectrum analyzer on and let it warm up in accordance with the Temperature Stability specification in Chapter 2.
- Read “Making a Measurement” in Chapter 2 of the *HP8590 Series Spectrum Analyzer User’s Guide*.
- After the spectrum analyzer has warmed up as specified, perform the Self-Calibration Procedure documented in “Improving Accuracy With Self-Calibration Routines” in Chapter 2 of the *HP 8590 Series Spectrum Analyzer User’s Guide*. The performance of the spectrum analyzer is only specified after the spectrum analyzer calibration routines have been run and if the spectrum analyzer is autocoupled.
- Read the rest of this section before you start any of the tests, and make a copy of the Performance Verification Test Record described in “Recording the Test Results.”

## Test equipment you will need

Tables 1-2 through 1-4 lists the recommended test equipment for the performance verification tests. The tables also lists recommended equipment for the spectrum analyzer adjustment procedures which are located in the *HP 8592D Spectrum Analyzer Service Guide*. Any equipment that meets the critical specifications given in the table can be substituted for the recommended model.

## Recording the test results

A performance verification test record is provided at the end of this chapter.

Each test result is identified as a *TR Entry* in the performance tests and on the performance verification test record. We recommend that you make a copy of the performance verification test record, record the test results on the copy, and keep the copy for your calibration test record. This record could prove valuable in tracking gradual changes in test results over long periods of time.

## If the spectrum analyzer doesn’t meet specifications

If the spectrum analyzer fails a test, rerun the frequency calibration and amplitude calibration routines by pressing CAL FREQ & AMPTD , and CAL YTF . Press CAL STORE, then repeat the verification test. If the spectrum analyzer still fails one or more specifications, complete any remaining tests and record all test results on a copy of the test record. Then refer to Chapter 3, “If You Have a Problem,” for instructions on how to solve the problem.

## Periodically verifying operation

The spectrum analyzer requires periodic verification of operation. Under most conditions of use, you should test the spectrum analyzer at least once a year with either operation verification or the complete set of performance verification tests.

**Table 1-2. Recommended Test Equipment**

Equipment	Critical Specifications for Equipment Substitution	Recommended Model	Use <sup>1</sup>
Digital Voltmeter	Input Resistance: $\geq 10$ megohms Accuracy: $\pm 10$ mV on 100 V range	HP 3456A	P,A,T
DVM Test Leads	For use with HP 3456A	HP 34118	A,T
Measuring Receiver	Compatible with Power Sensors dB Relative Mode Resolution: 0.01 dB Reference Accuracy: $\pm 1.2$ %	HP 8902A	P,A,T
Microwave Frequency Counter	Frequency Range: 9 MHz to 7 GHz Timebase Accy (Aging): $< 5 \times 10^{-10}$ /day	HP 5343A	P,A,T
Oscilloscope	Bandwidth: dc to 100 MHz Vertical Scale Factor of 5 V/Div External Trigger Mode	HP 54501A	T
Power Meter	Power Range: Calibrated in dBm and dB relative to reference power -70 dBm to + 44 dBm, sensor dependent	HP 436A	P,A,T
Power Sensor	Frequency Range: 1 MHz to 350 MHz Maximum SWR: 1.60 (100 kHz to 300 kHz) 1.20 (300 kHz to 1 MHz) 1.1 (1 MHz to 2.0 GHz) 1.30 (2.0 to 2.9 GHz)	HP 8482A	P,A,T
Power Sensor	Frequency Range: 50 MHz to 26.5 GHz Maximum SWR: 1.15 (50 MHz to 100 MHz) 1.10 (100 MHz to 2 GHz) 1.15 (2.0 GHz to 12.4 GHz) 1.20 (12.4 GHz to 18.0 GHz) 1.25 (18 GHz to 26.5 GHz)	HP 8485A	P,A,T
Power Sensor, Low-Power	Frequency Range: 300 MHz Amplitude Range: -20 dBm to -70 dBm Maximum SWR: 1.1 (300 MHz)	HP 8484A	P,A,T
Signal Generator	Frequency Range: 1 MHz to 1000 MHz Amplitude Range: -35 to + 16 dBm SSB Noise: $< -120$ dBc/Hz at 20 kHz offset	HP 8640B, Option 002 or HP 8642A	P,A,T
Spectrum Analyzer, Microwave	Frequency Range: 1 MHz to 7 GHz	HP 8566A/B	P,A,T

<sup>1</sup> P = Performance verification test, A = Adjustment, T = Troubleshooting

**Table 1-2. Recommended Test Equipment (continued)**

Equipment	Critical Specifications for Equipment Substitution	Recommended Model	Use <sup>1</sup>
Synthesized Sweeper	Frequency Range: 10 MHz to 22 GHz Frequency Accuracy (CW): $\pm 0.02\%$ Leveling Modes: Internal and External Modulation Modes: AM Power Level Range: -35 to + 16 dBm	HP 8340A/B <i>or</i> HP 83630A	P,A,T
Synthesizer/Function Generator	Frequency Range : 0.1 Hz to 500 Hz Frequency Accuracy: $\pm 0.02\%$ Waveform: Triangle	HP 3325B	P,T
Synthesizer/Level Generator	Frequency Range: 500 Hz to 80 MHz Amplitude Range: + 12 to -85 dBm Flatness: $\pm 0.15$ dB Attenuator Accuracy: $\pm 0.05$ dB	HP 3335A	P,A,T

**Table 1-3. Recommended Cables**

Equipment	Critical Specifications for Cable Substitution	Recommended Model	Use <sup>1</sup>
Cable	Frequency Range: 10 MHz to 22 GHz Maximum SWR: < 1.4 at 22 GHz Length: $\geq 91$ cm (36 in) Connectors: APC 3.5 (m) both ends Maximum Insertion Loss: 2 dB <i>(2 required)</i>	8120-4921	P,A
Cable	Frequency Range: 50 MHz to 7 GHz Length: $\geq 91$ cm (36 in) Connectors: SMA (m) both ends	5061-5458	P,A,T
Cable	Frequency Range: dc to 1 GHz Length: $\geq 91$ cm (36 in) Connectors: BNC (m) both ends <i>(4 required)</i>	HP 10503A	P,A,T
Cable	Frequency Range: dc to 310 MHz Length: 20 cm (9 in) Connectors: BNC (m) both ends	HP 10502A	P,A,T
Cable Assembly	Length: approximately 15 cm (6 in) Connectors: BNC (f) to Alligator Clips	8120-1292	A
Cable Assembly	Length: $\geq 91$ cm (36 in) Connectors: Banana Plug to Alligator Clips	HP 11102A	A
Cable, Test	Length: $\geq 91$ cm (36 in) Connectors: SMB (f) to BNC (m) <i>(2 required)</i>	85680-60093	A,T

<sup>1</sup> P = Performance verification test, A = Adjustment, T = Troubleshooting

**Table 1-4. Recommended Accessories**

<b>Equipment</b>	<b>Critical Specifications for Accessory Substitution</b>	<b>Recommended Model</b>	<b>Use<sup>1</sup></b>
Adapter	APC 3.5 (f) to APC 3.5 (f)	5061-5311	P,A,T
Adapter	BNC (m) to BNC (m)	1250-0216	P,A,T
Adapter	BNC (f) to SMB (m)	1250-1237	A,T
Adapter	BNC tee (m) (f) (f)	1250-0781	T
Adapter	Type N (m) to APC 3.5 (m)	1250-1743	P,A,T
Adapter	Type N (m) to APC 3.5 (f)	1250-1744	P,A,T
Adapter	Type N (f) to APC 3.5 (f)	1250-1745	P,A,T
Adapter	Type N (f) to BNC (m)	1250-1477	P,A,T
Adapter	Type N (m) to BNC (f) ( <i>4 required</i> )	1250-1476	P,A,T
4dapter	Type N (m) to BNC (m) ( <i>2 required</i> )	<b>1250-1473</b>	P,A,T
4dapter	<b>Type N (f) to N (f)</b>	1250-1472	P,A,T
4dapter	Type N (f) to SMA (f)	1250-1772	P,A,T
4dapter	SMA (f) to SMA (f)	1250-1158	P,A,T
4dapter	SMA (m) to SMA (m)	1250-1159	P,A,T
Adapter	SMB (m) to SMB (m)	1250-0813	A,T
4dapter	SMC (m) to SMC (m)	1250-0827	A,T
<b>Attenuator, 10 dB</b>	Type N (m to f) Frequency: 300 MHz	HP 8491A Option 010	P,A,T
<b>Attenuator, 20 dB</b>	Attenuation: 20 dB Frequency dc to 12.4 GHz	HP <b>8491A</b> Option 020	A
<b>Attenuator, 1 dB Step</b>	Attenuation Range: 0 to 12 dB Frequency Range: 50 MHz <b>Connectors:</b> BNC female	HP 355C	P,A

P = Performance verification test, A = Adjustment, T = Troubleshooting



**Table 1-4. Recommended Accessories (continued)**

Equipment	Critical Specifications for Accessory Substitution	Recommended Model	Use <sup>1</sup>
Attenuator, 10 <b>dB</b> Step	Attenuation Range: 0 to 30 <b>dB</b> Frequency Range: 50 MHz Connectors: BNC female	HP 355D	P,A
Digital Current Tracer	Sensitivity: 1 <b>mA</b> to 500 <b>mA</b> Frequency Response: Pulse trains to 10 MHz Minimum Pulse Width: 50 ns Pulse Rise Time: <b>&lt;200 ns</b>	HP 547A	T
Directional Bridge	Frequency Range: 0.1 to 110 MHz Directivity: <b>&gt;40 dB</b> Maximum VSWR: <b>1.1:1</b> Transmission Arm Loss: 6 <b>dB</b> (nominal) Coupling Arm Loss: 6 <b>dB</b> (nominal)	HP 8721A	P,T
Directional Coupler	Frequency Range: 1.7 <b>GHz</b> to 8 <b>GHz</b> Coupling: 16 <b>dB</b> (nominal) Max. Coupling Deviation: <b>± 1 dB</b> Directivity: 14 <b>dB</b> minimum Flatness: 0.75 <b>dB</b> maximum VSWR: <b>&lt;1.45</b> Insertion Loss: <b>&lt; 1.3 dB</b>	<b>0955-0125</b>	P,T
Logic <b>Pulsar</b>	TTL voltage and current drive levels	HP 546A	T
Logic Clip	TTL voltage and current drive levels	HP 548A	T
Low Pass Filter, 50 MHz	Cutoff Frequency: 50 MHz Rejection at 80 MHz: <b>&gt;50 dB</b>	0955-0306	P,T
Low Pass Filter, 300 MHz	Cutoff Frequency: 300 MHz <b>Bandpass</b> Insertion Loss: <b>&lt;0.9 dB</b> at 300 MHz <b>Stopband</b> Insertion Loss: <b>&gt;40 dB</b> at 435 MHz	<b>0955-0455</b>	P,A,T
Low Pass Filter, 4.4 GHz	Cutoff Frequency: 4.4 <b>GHz</b> Rejection at 5.5 <b>GHz</b> : <b>&gt;40 dB</b>	HP 11689A	P
Power Splitter	Frequency Range: 50 <b>kHz</b> to 22 <b>GHz</b> <b>Insertion</b> Loss: 6 <b>dB</b> (nominal) Output Tracking: <b>&lt;0.25 dB</b> Equivalent Output SWR: <b>&lt; 1.22: 1</b>	HP 11667B	P,A
Termination, 50 $\Omega$	<b>Impedance</b> : 50 $\Omega$ (nominal)	HP <b>909A</b>	P,T

# 1. Comb Generator Frequency Accuracy

A 100 MHz signal from a synthesized source and the output from a comb generator are applied to the input of the spectrum analyzer. The source frequency is adjusted until the two signals appear at the same frequency. The frequency setting of the source is then equal to the comb generator frequency and this frequency is compared to the specification.

The related adjustment procedure for this performance verification test is “Comb Generator Frequency Adjustment.”

## Equipment Required

- Synthesized sweeper
- Power splitter
- Cable, APC mm (m) 91 cm (36 in)
- Cable, SMA 61 cm (18 in) (m) to (m)
- Adapter, Type N (m) to APC 3.5 (m)
- Adapter, 3.5 mm (f) to 3.5 mm (f)

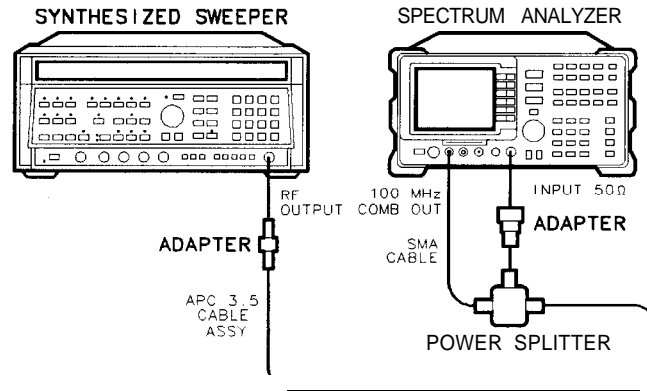


Figure 1-1. Comb Generator Frequency Accuracy Test Setup

## Procedure

1. Connect the equipment as shown in Figure 1-1.  
*Option 026 only:* Omit the Type N to APC adapter.
2. Press instrument preset on the synthesized sweeper, then set the controls as follows:  
CW ..... 100.025 MHz  
POWER LEVEL ..... .0 dBm  
RF ..... OFF
3. Press **PRESET** on the spectrum analyzer, then wait for preset routine to finish. Set the spectrum analyzer by pressing the following keys:  
**FREQUENCY** 100 **MHz**  
**AUX CTRL** COMB GEM ON OFF (ON)  
**SPAN** 12 **MHz**  
**AMPLITUDE** REF LVL 10 **dB**  
**BW** RES BW AUTO MAN 10 **kHz**

## 1. Comb Generator Frequency Accuracy

4. On the spectrum analyzer, press the following keys:

**(PEAK SEARCH)**

**(MKR FCTN) MK TRACK ON OFF (ON)**

**(SPAN) 100 (kHz)**

5. Press [**AMPLITUDE\_**] and adjust the reference-level setting until the signal peak is 10 dB below the reference level.
6. Set the synthesized sweeper RF on. Adjust the synthesized sweeper power level until the two signals are the same amplitude.
7. Set SCALE LOG **LIN** (LOG) to 2 dB on the spectrum analyzer.
8. If necessary, readjust the synthesized sweeper power level until the two signals are the same amplitude.
9. Set the synthesized sweeper CW to 100 MHz. A very unstable signal will probably appear. The peak amplitude should be at least 3 dB greater in amplitude than either of the individual signals.
10. Adjust the synthesized sweeper CW setting until a single signal appears to rise and fall in amplitude at the slowest rate (1 Hz frequency resolution will be necessary). The signal peak should be displayed approximately 6 dB above the amplitude of the individual signals.
11. Record the synthesized sweeper CW frequency setting as TR Entry 1-1 of the performance verification test record. The frequency should be between 99.993 MHz and 100.007 MHz.

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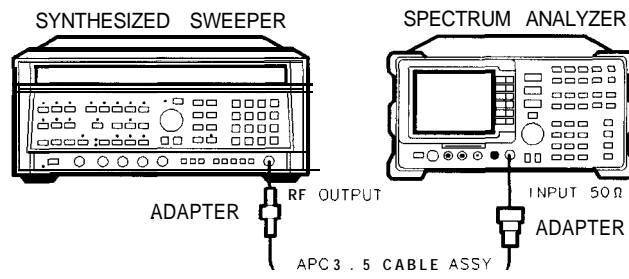
## 2. Frequency Readout Accuracy

The frequency readout accuracy of the spectrum analyzer is tested with an input signal of known frequency.

The related adjustment procedure for this performance verification test is the “Frequency Reference Adjustment.”

### Equipment Required

- Synthesized sweeper
- Adapter, Type N (m) to APC 3.5 (f)
- Adapter, APC 3.5 (f) to APC 3.5 (f)
- Cable, APC 3.5, 91 cm (36 in)



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**Figure 1-2. Frequency Readout Accuracy Test Setup**

### Procedure

1. Connect the equipment as shown in Figure 1-2.
  2. Press INSTRUMENT PRESET on the synthesized sweeper and set the controls as follows:
    - CW ..... 10 MHz
    - POWERLEVEL ..... -5dBm
  3. Press **PRESET** on the spectrum analyzer and wait for the preset to finish. Set the controls as follows:
    - FREQUENCY** 10 (MHz)
    - SPAN** 12 (MHz)
  4. On the spectrum analyzer, press the following keys:
    - PEAK SEARCH**
    - MKR FCTN** MK TRACK ON OFF (ON)
    - SPAN** 12 (MHz)
- Record the MKR frequency reading in Table 1-5. The reading should be within the limits shown.
5. Repeat step 4 for the synthesized sweeper CW and spectrum analyzer center frequency and span combinations listed in Table 1-5. Press **PEAK SEARCH**, as necessary to adjust the signal on screen.

## 2. Frequency Readout Accuracy

**Table 1-5. Frequency Readout Accuracy**

Synthesized Sweeper CW Frequency (MHz)	Spectrum Analyzer Span (MHz)	Spectrum Analyzer Center Frequency (GHz)	Min. Frequency	TR Entry Actual Frequency (GHz)	Max. Frequency
10	10	0.010	4.80 MHz	<b>2-1</b>	15.20 MHz
10	1	0.010	4.98 MHz	2-2	15.02 MHz
50	10	0.050	44.80 MHz	2-3	55.21 MHz
100	10	0.100	94.79 MHz	2-4	105.21 MHz
500	10	0.500	494.75 MHz	2-5	505.25 MHz
1000	10	1.0	994.70 MHz	2-6	1005.30 MHz
2000	10	2.0	1.9946 GHz	2-7	2.0054 GHz
4000	20	4.0	3.99420 GHz	2-8	4.00580 GHz
4000	10	4.0	3.99440 GHz	2-9	4.00560 GHz
4000	1	4.0	3.994580 GHz	2-10	4.005420 GHz
9000	20	9.0	8.98870 GHz	2-11	9.01130 GHz
9000	<b>10</b>	9.0	8.98890 GHz	2-12	9.01110 GHz
9000	1	9.0	8.989080 GHz	2-13	9.01092 GHz
16000	20	16.0	15.98300 GHz	2-14	16.01700 GHz
16000	10	16.0	15.98320 GHz	2-15	16.01680 GHz
16000	1	16.0	15.983380 GHz	2-16	16.016620 GHz
21000	20	21.0	20.97750 GHz	2-17	21.02250 GHz
21000	10	21.0	20.97770 GHz	2-18	21.02230 GHz
21000	1	21.0	<b>20.977880 GHz</b>	<b>2-19</b>	21.022120 GHz

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### 3. Noise Sidebands

A 500 MHz CW signal is applied to the input of the spectrum analyzer. The marker functions are used to measure the amplitude of the carrier and the noise level 10 kHz, 20 kHz, and 30 kHz above and below the carrier. The difference between these two measurements is compared to specification after the result is normalized to 1 Hz.

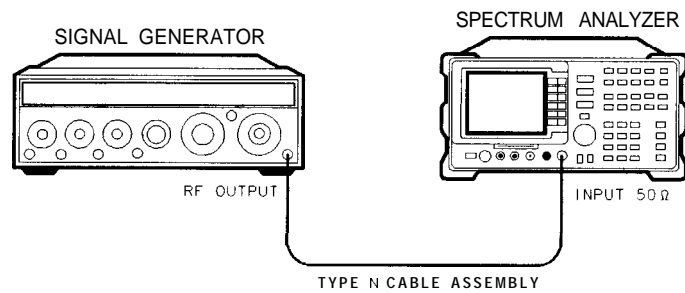
There are no related adjustment procedures for this performance verification test.

#### Equipment Required

- Signal generator
- Cable, Type N, 183 cm (72 in)

#### Additional Equipment for Option 026

- Adapter, APC 3.5 (f) to Type N (f)



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**Figure I-3. Noise Sidebands Test Setup**

**Procedure**

A worksheet is provided at the end of this procedure for calculating the noise sideband suppression.

**Part 1: Noise Sideband Suppression at 30kHz**

1. Perform the following steps to set up the equipment:

- Set the signal generator controls as follows:

FREQUENCY ..... 500 MHz  
 OUTPUT LEVEL.....0 dBm  
 AM..... OFF  
 FM .....OFF  
 COUNTER ..... INT  
 RF .....ON

- Connect the equipment as shown in Figure 1-3.
- Press **[PRESET]** on the spectrum analyzer, then wait for the preset routine to finish. Set the spectrum analyzer by pressing the following keys:

**[FREQUENCY]** 500 **[MHz]**  
**[SPAN]** 12 **[MHz]**

2. Press the following spectrum analyzer keys to measure the carrier amplitude.

**[PEAK SEARCH]**  
**[MKR FCTN]** MK TRACK ON OFF (ON)  
**[SPAN]** 200 **[kHz]**  
**[BW]** 1 **[kHz]**  
 VID BW AUTO MAN 30 **[Hz]**  
**[MKR FCTN]** MK TRACK ON OFF (OFF)  
**[SGL SWP]**  
**[PEAK SEARCH]**

Record the MKR amplitude reading in the Noise Sideband Worksheet as the Carrier Amplitude.

3. Press the following spectrum analyzer keys to measure the noise sideband level at +30 kHz:

MARKER A -30 **[kHz]**  
**[MKR]** MARKER NORMAL

Record the MKR amplitude reading in the Noise Sideband Worksheet as the Noise Sideband Level at +30 kHz.

4. Press the following spectrum analyzer keys to measure the noise sideband level at -30 kHz:

**[PEAK SEARCH]**  
 MARKER A -30 **[kHz]**  
**[MKR]** MARKER NORMAL

Record the MKR amplitude reading in the Noise Sideband Worksheet as the Noise Sideband Level at -30 kHz.

### 3. Noise Sidebands

- Record the more positive value, either Noise Sideband Level at + 30 kHz or Noise Sideband Level at -30 kHz from the Noise Sideband Worksheet as the Maximum Noise Sideband Level.
- Subtract the Carrier Amplitude from the Maximum Noise Sideband Level at 30 kHz using the equation below.

$$\text{Noise Sideband Suppression} = \text{Maximum Noise Sideband Level} - \text{Carrier Amplitude}$$

- Record the Noise Sideband Suppression at 30 kHz in the performance verification test record as TR Entry 5-1. The suppression should be  $\leq -75$  dBc.

#### Noise Sideband Worksheet

Description	Measurement
Carrier Amplitude	_____ dBm or dBmV
Noise Sideband Level at + 30 kHz	_____ dBm or dBmV
Noise Sideband Level at -30 kHz	_____ dBm or dBmV
Maximum Noise Sideband Level at $\pm 30$ kHz	_____ dBm or dBmV



## 4. System Related Sidebands

A 500 MHz CW signal is applied to the input of the spectrum analyzer. The marker functions are used to measure the amplitude of the carrier and the amplitude of any system related sidebands 30 kHz above and below the carrier. System related sidebands are any internally generated line related, power supply related or local oscillator related sidebands.

There are no related adjustment procedures for this performance verification test.

### Equipment Required

- Signal generator
- Cable, Type N, 183 cm (72 in)

### Additional Equipment for Option 026

- Adapter, APC 3.5 (f) to Type N (f)

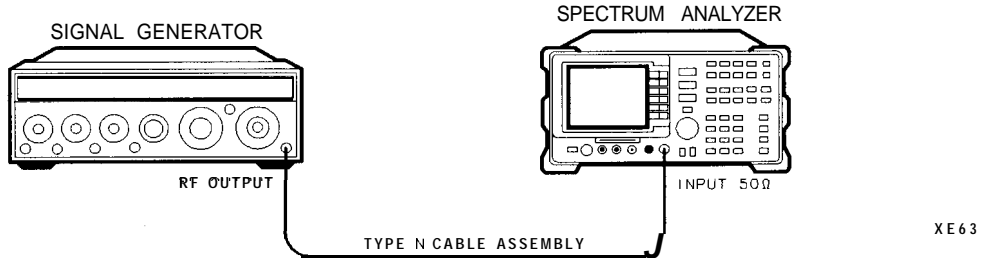


Figure I-4. System Related Sidebands Test Setup

### Procedure

1. Perform the following steps to set up the equipment:

- Set the signal generator controls as follows:

FREQUENCY .....	500 MHz
OUTPUT LEVEL .....	0 dBm
AM .....	OFF
FM .....	OFF
COUNTER .....	INT
RF .....	ON

- Connect the equipment as shown in Figure I-4.
- Press **PRESET** on the spectrum analyzer, then wait for the preset routine to finish. Set the spectrum analyzer by pressing the following keys:

**FREQUENCY** 500 **MHz**  
**SPAN** 12 **MHz**

#### 4. System Related Sidebands

2. Set the spectrum analyzer to measure the system related sideband above the signal by performing the following steps:

- Press the following keys:

[PEAK SEARCH]  
[MKR FCTN] MK TRACK ON OFF (ON)  
[SPAN] 200 [kHz]  
[BW] 1 [kHz]  
VID BW AUTO MAN 30 [Hz]

Allow the spectrum analyzer to stabilize for approximately 1 minute. Then press the following keys:

[MKR FCTN] MK TRACK ON OFF (OFF)  
[FREQUENCY] CF STEP AUTO MAB 130 [kHz]

- Press [SGL SWP] and wait for the completion of the sweep. Press [PEAK SEARCH], then MARKER Δ.
- Press the following spectrum analyzer keys:

[FREQUENCY]  
[↑] (step-up key)

3. Measure the system related sideband above the signal by pressing [SGL SWP] on the spectrum analyzer. Wait for the completion of a new sweep, then press [PEAK SEARCH].
4. Record the Marker-A Amplitude as TR Entry 4-1 of the performance verification test record. The system related sideband above the signal should be  $< -65$  dB.
5. Set the spectrum analyzer to measure the system related sideband below the signal by pressing the following spectrum analyzer keys:

[↓] (step-down key)  
[↓] (step-down key)

6. Measure the system related sideband below the signal by pressing [SGL SWP]. Wait for the completion of a new sweep, then press [PEAK SEARCH].

Record the Marker-A Amplitude as TR Entry 4-2 of the performance verification test record. The system related sideband below the signal should be  $< -65$  dB.

## 5. Frequency Span Readout Accuracy

For testing each frequency span, two synthesized sources are used to provide two precisely-spaced signals. The spectrum analyzer marker functions are used to measure this frequency difference and the marker reading is compared to the specification.

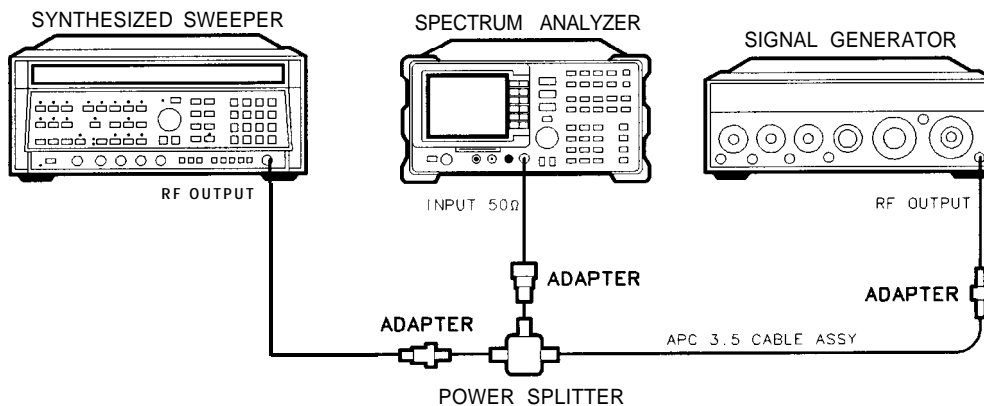
There are no related adjustment procedures for this performance verification test.

### Equipment Required

- Synthesized sweeper
- Synthesizer/level generator
- Signal generator
- Power splitter
- Adapter, Type N (m) to Type N (m)
- Adapter, Type N (f) to APC 3.5 (f)
- Cable, Type N, 183 cm (72 in)
- Cable, Type N, 152 cm (60 in)

### Additional Equipment for Option 026

- Adapter, APC 3.5 (f) to Type N (f)



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**Figure 1-5. 1800 MHz Frequency Span Readout Accuracy Test Setup**

## 5. Frequency Span Readout Accuracy

### Procedure

This performance verification test consists of two parts:

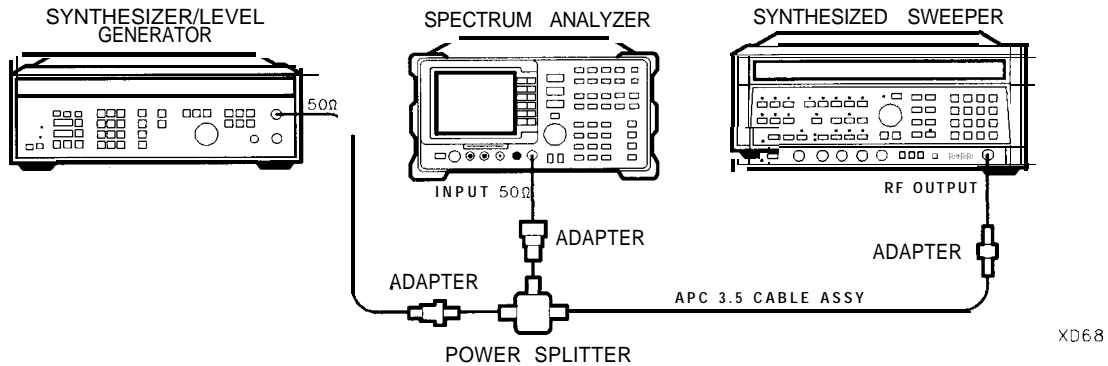
- Part 1: 1800 MHz Frequency Span Readout Accuracy
- Part 2: 10.1 MHz to 99 kHz Frequency Span Readout Accuracy

Perform “Part 1: 1800 MHz Frequency Span Readout Accuracy” before “Part 2: 10.1 MHz to 99 kHz Frequency Span Readout Accuracy. ”

### Part 1: 1800 MHz Frequency Span ReadAccuracy

1. Connect the equipment as shown in Figure 1-5. Note that the Power Splitter is used as a combiner.
2. Press **PRESET** on the spectrum analyzer, then wait for the preset routine to finish. Set the spectrum analyzer by pressing the following keys:  
**FREQUENCY** 900 **MHz**  
**SPAN** 1800 **MHz**
3. Press **INSTRUMENT PRESET** on the synthesized sweeper and set the controls as follows:  
CW ..... 1700 MHz  
POWER LEVEL ..... -5dBm
4. On the signal generator, set the controls as follows:  
FREQUENCY (LOCKED MODE) ..... 200 MHz  
CW OUTPUT ..... 0 dBm
5. Adjust the spectrum analyzer center frequency, if necessary, to place the lower frequency on the second vertical graticule line (one division from the left-most graticule line).
6. On the spectrum analyzer, press **SGL SWP**. Wait for the completion of a new sweep, then press the following keys:  
**PEAK SEARCH**) **MARKER Δ** **NEXT PEAK**  
The two markers should be on the signals near the second and tenth vertical graticule lines (the first graticule line is the left-most).
7. Press **MARKER Δ** , then continue pressing **NEXT PK RIGHT** . The marker A should be on the right-most signal.
8. Record the **MKR A** frequency reading as TR Entry 5-1 of the performance verification test record.  
The **MKR** reading should be within the 1446 MHz and 1554 MHz.

## 5. Frequency Span Readout Accuracy



**Figure 1-6. 10.1 MHz to 99 kHz Frequency Span Readout Accuracy Test Setup**

### Part 2: 10.1 MHz to 99 kHz Frequency Span Readout Accuracy

Perform “Part 1: 1800 MHz Frequency Span Readout Accuracy” before performing this procedure.

1. Connect the equipment as shown in Figure 1-6. Note that the Power Splitter is used as a combiner.
2. Press **[PRESET]** on the spectrum analyzer, then wait for the preset routine to finish. Set the spectrum analyzer by pressing the following keys:

**[FREQUENCY] 70 [MHz]**

**[SPAN] 10.1 [MHz]**

3. Press INSTRUMENT PRESET on the synthesized sweeper, then set the controls as follows:

CW ..... 74 MHz

POWERLEVEL ..... -5 dBm

4. Set the synthesizer/level generator controls as follows:

FREQUENCY ..... 66 MHz

AMPLITUDE ..... 0 dBm

Note **that** it may be necessary, especially with the narrower spans, to press **[MKR FCTN]**, MK TRACK ON OFF (ON), and a wider frequency span to keep the signals on screen.

5. Adjust the spectrum analyzer center frequency to center the two signals on the display.
6. On the spectrum analyzer, press **[SGL SWP]**. Wait for the completion of a new sweep, then press the following keys:

**[PEAK SEARCH] MARKER Δ NEXT PEAK**

The two markers should be on the signals near the second and tenth vertical graticule lines (the first graticule line is the left-most).

7. Record the MKR-A frequency reading in the performance verification test record as TR Entry 5-2. The MKR-A frequency reading should be within the limits shown.
8. Press **[MKR]**, MARKER 1 ON OFF (OFF) on the spectrum analyzer.
9. Change to the next equipment settings listed in Table 1-6.

## 5. Frequency Span Readout Accuracy

10. On the spectrum analyzer, press **(SGL SWP)**. Wait for the completion of a new sweep, then press the following keys:

**(PEAK SEARCH) MARKER Δ NEXT PEAK**

11. Record the MKR-A frequency reading in the performance verification test record.

12. Repeat steps 8 through 11 for the remaining spectrum analyzer span settings listed in Table 1-6.

**Table 1-6. Frequency Span Readout Accuracy**

Spectrum Analyzer Span Setting	Synthesizer/Level Generator Frequency	Synthesized Sweeper Frequency	MKR-A Reading		
			Min.	TR Entry	Max.
10.10 MHz	66.000	74.000	7.70 MHz	5-2	8.30 MHz
10.00 MHz	66.000	74.000	7.50 MHz	5-3	8.50 MHz
<b>100.00 kHz</b>	69.960	70.040	75.00 kHz	5-4	85.00 kHz
99.00 kHz	69.960	70.040	75.00 kHz	5-5	85.00 kHz

## 6. Sweep Time Accuracy

This test uses a synthesizer function generator to amplitude modulate a 500 MHz CW signal from another signal generator. The analyzer demodulates this signal in zero span to display the response in the time domain. The marker delta frequency function on the analyzer is used to read out the sweep time accuracy.

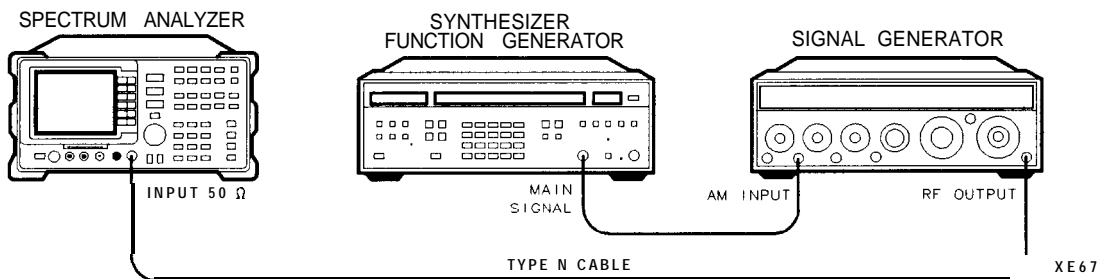
There are no related adjustment procedures for this performance verification test.

### Equipment Required

Synthesizer/function generator  
 Signal generator  
 Cable, Type N, 152 cm (60 in)  
 Cable, BNC, 120 cm (48 in)

### Additional Equipment Required for Option 026

Adapter, APC 3.5 (f) to Type N (f)



**Figure I-7. Sweep Time Accuracy Test Setup**

### Procedure

1. Set the signal generator to output a 500 MHz, -10 dBm, CW signal. Set the AM and FM controls to OFF.
2. Set the synthesizer/function generator to output a 500 Hz, +5 dBm triangle waveform signal.
3. Connect the equipment as shown in Figure I-7.

## 6. Sweep Time Accuracy

- Press **PRESET** on the spectrum analyzer and wait for the preset to finish. Set the controls as follows:

**FREQUENCY** 50 (MHz)  
**SPAN** 12 (MHz)  
**PEAK SEARCH**  
**MKR FCTN** MK TRACK ON OFF (ON)  
**SPAN** 50 (kHz)

Wait for the AUTO ZOOM routine to finish, then press **SPAN** and ZERO SPAN .

Set the controls as follows:

**BW** 3 (MHz)  
**[AMPLITUDE]** SCALE LOG LIN (LIN)  
**(SWEEP)** SWP TIME **AUTO** MAN 20 (ms)

Adjust the signal amplitude for a mid-screen display.

- Set the signal generator AM switch to the AC position.
- On the spectrum analyzer, press **TRIG** then VIDEO . Adjust the video trigger so that the analyzer is sweeping.
- Press **SGL SWP**. After the completion of the sweep, press **[PEAK SEARCH]**. If necessary, press NEXT PK LEFT or NEXT PK RIGHT until the marker is on the left most signal. This is the “marked signal. ”
- Press MARKER A , MARKER A, then NEXT PK RIGHT until the marker delta is on the eighth signal peak. Record the marker delta reading in the performance verification test record as indicated in Table I-7.
- Repeat steps 6 through 9 for the remaining sweep time settings listed in Table I-7.

**Table I-7. Sweep Time Accuracy**

Spectrum Analyzer Sweep Time Setting	Synthesizer/Function Generator Frequency	Minimum Reading	TR Entry (MKR Δ)	Maximum Reading
20 ms	500.0 Hz	15.4 ms	<b>6-1</b>	16.6 ms
100 ms	100.0 Hz	77.0 ms	6-2	83.0 ms
<b>1 s</b>	10.0 Hz	770.0 ms	6-3	830.0 ms
10 s	1.0 Hz	7.7 s	6-4	8.3 s



## 7. Scale Fidelity

A 50 MHz CW signal is applied to the INPUT  $50\ \Omega$  of the analyzer through two step attenuators. The attenuators increase the effective amplitude range of the source. The amplitude of the source is decreased in 10 dB steps and the analyzer marker functions are used to measure the amplitude difference between steps. The source's internal attenuator is used as the reference standard. The test is performed in both log and linear amplitude scales.

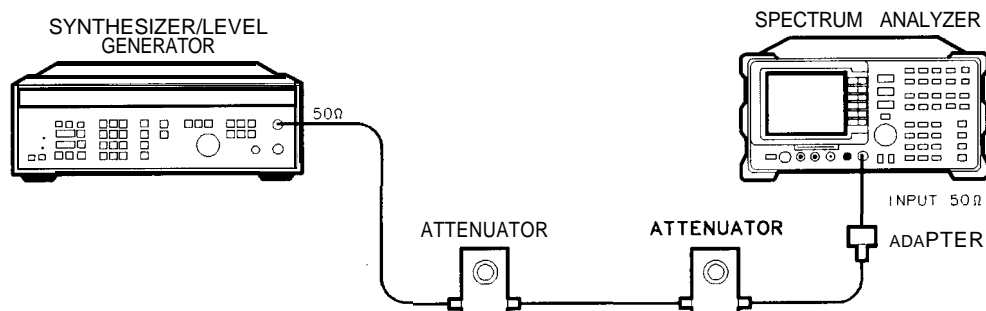
The related adjustment for this performance verification test is "Log and Linear Amplitude Adjustment."

### Equipment Required

- Synthesizer/level generator
- Attenuator, 1 dB step
- Attenuator, 10 dB step
- Cable, BNC, 122 cm (48 in)
- Cable, BNC, 20 cm (9 in)
- Adapter, Type N (m) to BNC (f)
- Adapter, Type BNC (m) to BNC (m)

### Additional Equipment for Option 026

- Adapter, APC 3.5 (f) to Type N (f)
- Adapter, BNC (f) to SMA (m)



**Figure 1-8. Scale Fidelity Test Setup**

## 7. Scale Fidelity

### Procedure

#### Log Scale

1. Set the synthesizer/level generator controls as follows:

FREQUENCY ..... 50 MHz  
AMPLITUDE ..... +10 dBm  
AMPTDINCR ..... 0.05 dB  
OUTPUT ..... 50  $\Omega$

2. Connect the equipment as shown in Figure 1-8. Set the 10 dB step attenuator to 10 dB attenuation and the 1 dB step attenuator to 0 dB attenuation.
3. Press (**PRESET**) on the spectrum analyzer, then wait for the preset routine to finish. Set the spectrum analyzer by pressing the following keys:

**FREQUENCY** 50 **(MHz)**  
**SPAN** 12 **(MHz)**  
**PEAK SEARCH**  
**MKR FCTN** MK TRACK ON OFF (ON)  
**SPAN** 50 **(kHz)**

Wait for the auto zoom routine to finish, then set the resolution bandwidth and the video bandwidth by pressing the following keys:

**BW**  
RES BW AUTO #AN 3 **(kHz)**  
VID BW AUTO MAN 30 (Hz)

4. If necessary, adjust the 1 dB step attenuator attenuation until the MKR amplitude reads between 0 dBm and -1 dBm.
5. On the synthesizer/level generator, press **AMPLITUDE** and use the increment keys to adjust the amplitude until the spectrum analyzer MKR amplitude reads 0 dBm  $\pm$ 0.05 dB.  
It may be necessary to decrease the resolution of the amplitude increment of the synthesizer/level generator to 0.01 dB to obtain a MKR reading of 0 dBm  $\pm$ 0.05 dB.
6. On the spectrum analyzer, press (**PEAK SEARCH**), then **MARKER A**.
7. Set the synthesizer/level generator **AMPTD INCR** to 4 dB.
8. On the synthesizer/level generator, press **AMPLITUDE**, then increment down to step the synthesizer/level generator to the next lowest nominal amplitude listed in Table 1-8. Press (**PEAK SEARCH**) on the spectrum analyzer.
9. Record the Actual MKR A amplitude reading in the performance verification test record as indicated in Table 1-8. The MKR amplitude should be within the limits shown.
10. Repeat steps 8 through 9 for the remaining synthesizer/level generator Nominal Amplitudes listed in Table 1-8.
11. For each Actual MKR A reading recorded in Table 1-8, subtract the previous Actual MKR A reading. Add 4 dB to the number and record the result as the incremental error in the performance verification test record as indicated in Table 1-8. The incremental error should not exceed 0.4 dB/4 dB.

## 7. Scale Fidelity

**Table 1-8. Cumulative and Incremental Error, Log Mode**

Synthesizer/Level Generator Nominal Amplitude	dB from Ref Level (nominal)	TR Entry Cumulative Error (MKR A Reading)			TR Entry (Incremental Error)
		Min. (dB)	Actual (dB)	Max. (dB)	TR Entry
+10 dBm	0	0 (Ref)	0 (Ref)	0 (Ref)	0 (Ref)
+6 dBm	-4	-4.44	7-1	-3.56	7-18
+2 dBm	-8	-8.48	7-2	-7.52	7-19
-2 dBm	-22	-12.52	7-3	-11.48	7-20
-6 dBm	-16	-16.56	7-4	-15.44	7-21
-10 dBm	-20	-20.60	7-5	-19.40	7-22
-14 dBm	-24	-24.64	7-6	-23.36	7-23
-18 dBm	-28	-28.68	7-7	-27.32	7-24
-22 dBm	-32	-32.72	7-8	-31.28	7-25
-26 dBm	-36	-36.76	7-9	-35.24	7-26
-30 dBm	-40	-40.80	7-10	-39.20	7-27
-34 dBm	-44	-44.84	7-11	-43.16	7-28
-38 dBm	-48	-48.88	7-12	-47.12	7-29
-42 dBm	-52	-52.92	7-13	-51.08	7-30
-46 dBm	-56	-56.96	7-14	-55.04	7-31
-50 dBm	-60	-61.00	7-15	-59.00	7-32
-54 dBm	-64	-65.04	7-16	-62.96	N/A
-58 dBm	-68	-69.08	7-17	-66.92	N/A

### Linear Scale

12. Set the synthesizer/level generator controls as follows:

AMPLITUDE .....+10 dBm  
 AMPTD INCR .....0.05 dB

13. Set the 1 dB step attenuator to 0 dB attenuation.

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14. Press **PRESET** on the spectrum analyzer, then wait for the preset routine to finish. Set the spectrum analyzer by pressing the following keys:

**AMPLITUDE** SCALE LOG LIN (LIN)

**FREQUENCY** 50 (MHz)

**SPAN** 12 (MHz)

**PEAK SEARCH**

**MKR FCTN** MK TRACK ON OFF (ON)

(SPAN)50 (kHz)

Wait for the auto zoom routine to finish, then set the resolution bandwidth and the video bandwidth by pressing the following keys:

**BW**

RES BW AUTO MAN 3 (kHz)

VID BW AUTO MAN 30 (Hz)

15. If necessary, adjust the 1 dB step attenuator attenuation until the MKR reads approximately 223.6 mV. It may be necessary to decrease the resolution of the amplitude increment of the synthesizer/level generator to 0.01 dB to obtain a MKR reading of 223.6 mV  $\pm$  0.4 mV.
16. On the synthesizer/level generator, press **AMPLITUDE**, then use the increment keys to adjust the amplitude until the spectrum analyzer MKR amplitude reads 223.6 mV  $\pm$  0.4 mV.
17. On the spectrum analyzer, press (**PEAK SEARCH**), (**MKR FCTN**), **MK TRACK ON OFF** (OFF).
18. Set the synthesizer/level generator amplitude increment to 3 dB.
19. On the synthesizer/level generator, press **AMPLITUDE**, then increment down to step the synthesizer/level generator to the next lowest Nominal Amplitude listed in Table 1-9.
20. Record the MKR amplitude reading in the performance verification test record as indicated in Table 1-9. The MKR amplitude should be within the limits shown.
21. Repeat steps 19 and 21 for the remaining synthesizer/level generator Nominal Amplitudes listed in Table 1-9.

**Table 1-9. Scale Fidelity, Linear Mode**

Synthesizer/Level Generator Nominal Amplitude	% of Ref Level (nominal)	MKR Reading		
		Min. (mV)	TR Entry	Max. (mV)
+10 dBm	100	0 (Ref)	0 (Ref)	0 (Ref)
+ 7 dBm	70.7	151.59	7-33	165.01
+ 4 dBm	50	105.36	7-34	118.78
+1dBm	35.48	72.63	7-35	86.05
-2 dBm	25	49.46	7-36	82.88

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22. Set the 10 dB step attenuator to 10 dB attenuation and the 1 dB step attenuator to 0 dB attenuation.

23. Set the synthesizer controls as follows:

FREQUENCY ..... 50 MHz  
 AMPLITUDE ..... +6 dBm

24. On the spectrum analyzer, press **PRESET**, then wait for the preset routine to finish. Set the spectrum analyzer by pressing the following keys:

**FREQUENCY** 50 **MHz**  
**SPAN** 12 **MHz**  
**BW** 300 **kHz**

25. On the spectrum analyzer, press the following keys:

**PEAK SEARCH**  
**MKR →** **MARKER → REF LVL**  
**PEAK SEARCH**

26. Record the peak marker reading in Log mode below.

Log Mode Amplitude Reading- dBm

27. Press **AMPLITUDE** SCALE LOG LIN (LIN) to change the scale to linear, then press More 1 of 2, **Amptd** Units, and **dBm** to set the amplitude units to dBm.

28. Press **PEAK SEARCH**, then record the peak marker amplitude reading in linear mode.

Linear Mode Amplitude Reading\_\_\_\_\_ dBm

29. Subtract the Linear Mode Amplitude Reading from the Log Mode Amplitude Reading, then record this value as the Log/Linear Error.

Log/Linear Error\_\_\_\_\_ dB

30. If the Log/Linear Error is less than 0 dB, record this value as TR Entry 7-37 in the performance verification test record. The absolute value of the reading should be less than 0.25 dB. If the Log/Linear Error is greater than 0 dB, continue with the next step.

31. On the spectrum analyzer, press the following keys:

**MKR →** **MARKER → REF LVL**  
**PEAK SEARCH**

32. Record the peak marker amplitude reading in linear mode.

Linear Mode Amplitude Reading-. dBm

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33. On the spectrum analyzer, press the following keys:

[AMPLITUDE] SCALE LOG LIN (LOG)

[PEAK SEARCH]

34. Record the peak marker reading in Log mode below.

Log Mode Amplitude Reading dBm

35. Subtract the Log Mode Amplitude Reading from the Linear Mode Amplitude Reading, then record this value as the Linear/Log Error.

Linear/Log Error          dB

36. Record the Linear/Log Error as TR Entry 7-37 in the performance verification test record, The absolute value of the reading should be less than 0.25 dB.

## 8. Reference Level Accuracy

A 50 MHz CW signal is applied to the INPUT 50 Ω of the spectrum analyzer through two step attenuators. The attenuators increase the effective amplitude range of the source. The amplitude of the source is decreased in 10 dB steps and the spectrum analyzer marker functions are used to measure the amplitude difference between steps. The source’s internal attenuator is used as the reference standard. The test is performed in both log and linear amplitude scales.

It is only necessary to test reference levels as low as -90 dBm (with 10 dB attenuation) since lower reference levels are a function of the spectrum analyzer microprocessor manipulating the trace data. There is no error associated with the trace data manipulation.

The related adjustment for this procedure is “A12 Cal Attenuator Error Correction.”

### Equipment Required

- Synthesizer/level generator
- Attenuator, 1 dB steps
- Attenuator, 10 dB steps
- Cable, BNC 122 cm (48 in) (two required)
- Adapter, Type N (m) to BNC (f)
- Adapter, BNC (m) to BNC (m)

### Additional Equipment for Option 026

- Adapter, APC 3.5 (f) to Type N (f)
- Adapter, BNC (f) to SMA (m)

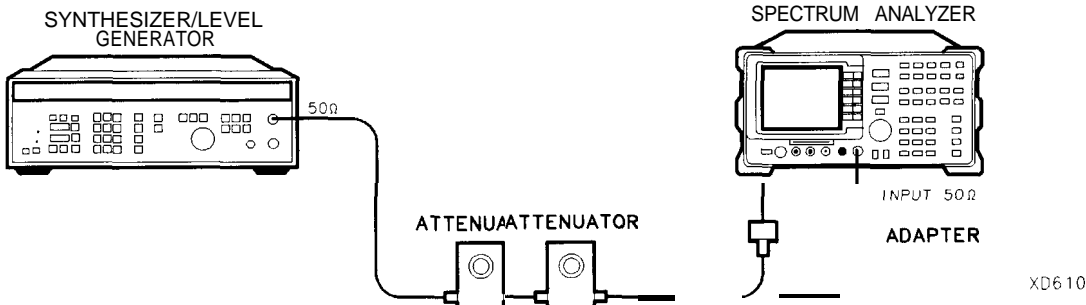


Figure 1-9. Reference Level Accuracy Test Setup

### Procedure

#### Log Scale

1. Set the synthesizer/level generator controls as follows:
 

FREQUENCY .....	50 MHz
AMPLITUDE .....	-10 dBm
AMPTDINCR .....	10 dB
OUTPUT .....	50ohm
2. Connect the equipment as shown in Figure 1-9. Set the 10 dB step attenuator to 10 dB attenuation and the 1 dB step attenuator to 0 dB attenuation.

## 8. Reference Level Accuracy

- Press **[PRESET]** on the spectrum analyzer, then wait for the preset routine to finish. Set the spectrum analyzer by pressing the following keys:

**[FREQUENCY]** 50 **[MHz]**

**[SPAN]** 12 **[MHz]**

**[PEAK SEARCH]**

**[MKR FCTN]** MK TRACK ON OFF (ON)

**[SPAN]** 50 **[kHz]**

**[AMPLITUDE]** -20 **[dBm]** SCALE LOG LIN (LOG) 1 **[dB]**

**[BW]** 3 **[kHz]** VID BW **AUTO** NAN 30 **[Hz]**

- Set the 1 dB step attenuator to place the signal peak one to two dB (one to two divisions) below the reference level.
- On the spectrum analyzer, press the following keys:

**[SGL SWP]**

**[PEAK SEARCH]** **MARKER Δ**

- Set the synthesizer/level generator amplitude and spectrum analyzer reference level according to Table I-10. At each setting, press **[SGL SWP]**, then **[PEAK SEARCH]** on the spectrum analyzer.
- Record the MKR A amplitude reading in the performance verification test record as indicated in Table I-10. The MKR A reading should be within the limits shown.

**Table I-10. Reference Level Accuracy, Log Mode**

Synthesizer/Level Generator Amplitude	spectrum Analyzer Reference Level	MKR A Reading (dB)		
		Min.	TR Entry	Max.
(dBm)	(dBm)			
-10	-20	3(Ref)	0(Ref)	0(Ref)
0	-10	-0.4	8-1	+0.4
+10	0	-0.5	8-2	+0.5
-20	-30	-0.4	8-3	+0.4
-30	-40	-0.5	8-4	+0.5
-40	-50	-0.8	8-5	+0.8
-50	-60	-1.0	8-6	+1.0
-60	-70	-1.1	8-7	+1.1
-70	-80	-1.2	8-8	+1.2
-80	-90	-1.3	8-9	+1.3



**Linear Scale**

8. Set the synthesizer/level generator amplitude to -10 dBm.
9. Set the 1 dB step attenuator to 0 dB attenuation.
10. Set the spectrum analyzer controls as follows:
  - AMPLITUDE** -20 **dBm**
  - SCALE LOG LIN (LIN)
  - AMPLITUDE** More 1 of 2 **Amptd Units dBm**
  - SWEEP** ~~SWEEP~~ CONT SGL (CONT)
  - MKR** MARKER 1 ON OFF (OFF)
11. Set the 1 dB step attenuator to place the signal peak one to two divisions below the reference level.
12. On the spectrum analyzer, press the following keys:
  - SGL SWP**
  - PEAK SEARCH**
  - MKR →** MKR → CF
  - PEAK SEARCH** **MARKER Δ**
  - MKR FCTN** MK TRACK ON OFF (OFF)
13. Set the synthesizer/level generator amplitude and spectrum analyzer reference level according to Table 1-11. At each setting, press **SGL SWP**, then **PEAK SEARCH** on the spectrum analyzer.
14. Record the MKR A amplitude reading in Table 1-11. The MKR A reading should be within the limits shown.

**Table 1-11. Reference Level Accuracy, Linear Mode**

Synthesizer/Level Generator Amplitude	Spectrum Analyzer Reference Level	MKR A Reading (dB)		
		Min.	TR Entry	Max.
(dBm)	(dBm)			
-10	-20	0(Ref)	0(Ref)	0(Ref)
0	-10	-0.4	<b>8-10</b>	+ 0.4
+ 10	0	-0.5	<b>8-11</b>	+ 0.5
-20	-30	-0.4	8-12	+ 0.4
-30	-40	-0.5	8-13	+ 0.5
-40	-50	-0.8	<b>8-14</b>	+ 0.8
-50	-60	-1.0	<b>8-15</b>	+ 1.0
-60	-70	-1.1	<b>8-16</b>	+ 1.1
-70	-80	-1.2	<b>8-17</b>	+ 1.2
-80	-90	-1.3	<b>8-18</b>	+ 1.3

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## 9. Absolute Amplitude Calibration and Resolution Bandwidth Switching Uncertainties

To measure the absolute amplitude calibration uncertainty the input signal is measured after the self-cal routine is finished.

To measure the resolution bandwidth switching uncertainty an amplitude reference is taken with the resolution bandwidth set to 3 kHz using the marker-delta function. The resolution bandwidth is changed to settings between 3 MHz and 1 kHz and the amplitude variation is measured at each setting and compared to the specification. The span is changed as necessary to maintain approximately the same aspect ratio.

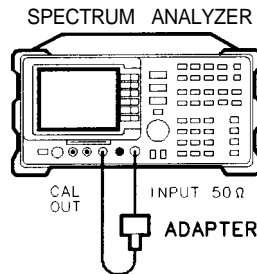
The related adjustment procedure for this performance verification test is “Crystal and LC Bandwidth Adjustment.”

### Equipment Required

- Cable, BNC, 23 cm (9 in)
- Adapter, Type N (m) to BNC (f)

### Additional Equipment for Option 026

- Adapter, APC 3.5 (f) to Type N (f)
- Adapter, BNC (f) to SMA (m)



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Figure 1-10. Uncertainty Test Setup

### Procedure

1. Connect the CAL OUT to the spectrum analyzer input using the BNC cable and adapter, as shown in Figure 1-10.
2. Press **PRESET** on the spectrum analyzer, then wait for the preset routine to finish. Set the spectrum analyzer controls by pressing the following keys:

**FREQUENCY** 300 **MHz**  
**SPAN** 12 **MHz**  
**PEAK SEARCH**  
**MKR FCTN** MK TRACK ON OFF (ON)  
**SPAN** 50 **kHz**

Wait for the auto zoom routine to finish, then press the following spectrum analyzer keys:

**BW** 3 **kHz**  
**VID BW AUTO MAN** 300 (Hz)  
**AMPLITUDE** -20 **dBm**

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- Press **PEAK SEARCH**, then record the marker reading in TR Entry 9-1 of the performance verification test record.

The marker reading should be within -20.15 and -19.85 dB.

- Press **PRESET** on the spectrum analyzer, then wait for the preset routine to finish. Set the spectrum analyzer controls by pressing the following keys:

**FREQUENCY** 300 **MHz**  
**SPAN** 12 **MHz**  
**PEAK SEARCH**  
**MKR FCTN** MK TRACK ON OFF (ON)  
**SPAN** 50 **kHz**  
**AMPLITUDE** -20 **dBm**  
 SCALE LOG LIN (LOG) 1 **dB**  
**BW** 3 **kHz**  
 VID BW AUTO MAN 1 **kHz**

- Press **AMPLITUDE** and use the knob to adjust the reference level until the signal appears one division below the reference level, then press the following keys:

**PEAK SEARCH** **MARKER A**  
**MKR FCTN** MK TRACK ON OFF (ON)

- Set the spectrum analyzer resolution bandwidth and span according to Table 1-12.
- Press **PEAK SEARCH**, then record the MKR A TRK amplitude reading in the performance verification test record as indicated in Table 1-12.

The amplitude reading should be within the limits shown.

- Repeat steps 6 through 7 for each of the remaining resolution bandwidth and span settings listed in Table 1-12.

**Table 1-12. Resolution Bandwidth Switching Uncertainty**

Spectrum Analyzer		MKR A TRK Amplitude Reading		
RES BW Setting	SPAN Setting	Min. (dB)	TR Entry	Max. (dB)
3 kHz	50 kHz	0 (Ref)	0 (Ref)	0 (Ref)
1 kHz	50 kHz	-0.5	9-2	+ 0.5
9 kHz	50 kHz	-0.4	9-3	+ 0.4
10 kHz	50 kHz	-0.4	9-4	+ 0.4
30 kHz	500 kHz	-0.4	9-5	+ 0.4
100 kHz	500 kHz	-0.4	9-6	+ 0.4
120 kHz	500 kHz	-0.4	9-7	+ 0.4
300 kHz	5 MHz	-0.4	9-8	+ 0.4
1 MHz	10 MHz	-0.4	9-9	+ 0.4
3 MHz	10 MHz	-0.4	<b>9-10</b>	+ 0.4

## 10. Calibrator Amplitude and Frequency Accuracy

This test measures the accuracy of the analyzer's CAL OUT signal. The first part of the test characterizes the insertion loss of a low pass filter (LPF) and 10 dB Attenuator. The harmonics of the CAL OUT signal are suppressed with the LPF before the amplitude accuracy is measured using a power meter. A frequency counter is used to measure the frequency accuracy of the CAL OUT signal and the measured frequency is compared to the specification.

The related adjustment procedure for this performance verification test is the "Calibrator Amplitude Adjustment."

### Equipment Required

- Frequency counter
- Low pass filter, 300 MHz
- Synthesized sweeper
- Measuring receiver (used as a power meter)
- Power meter
- Low power sensor with a 50 MHz reference attenuator
- Power sensor
- Power splitter
- 10 dB attenuator, Type N (m to f), dc-12.4 GHz Opt 010
- Adapter, APC 3.5 (f) to Type N (f)
- Adapter, Type N (f) to BNC (m) (2 required)
- Adapter, Type N (m) to BNC (f)
- Cable, BNC, 121 cm (48 in)
- Cable, Type N, 152 cm (60 in)

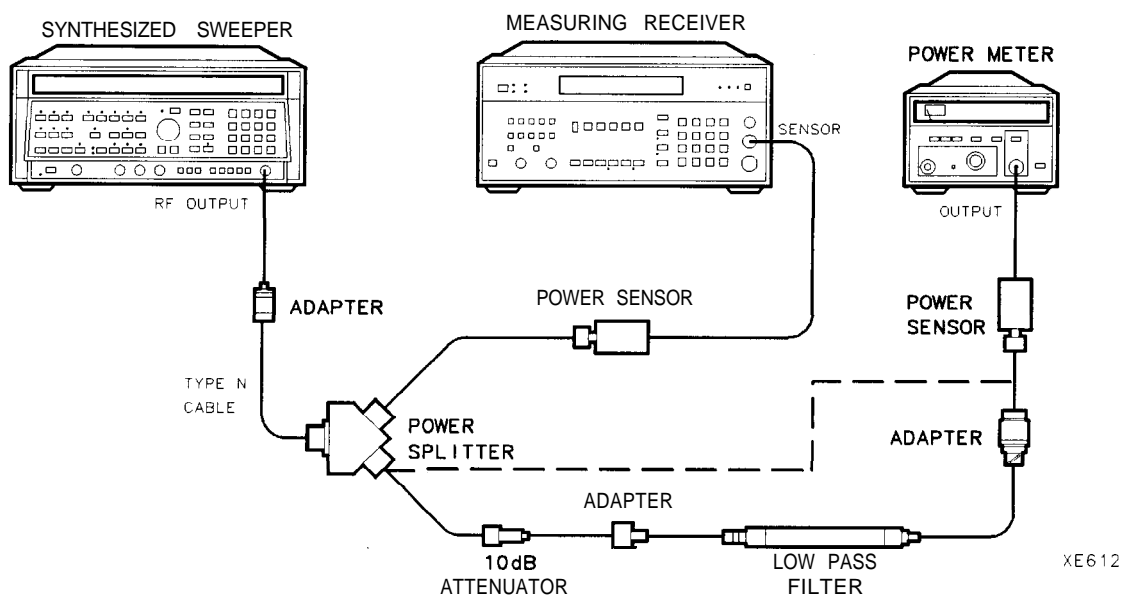


Figure I-1 1. LPF Characterization

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### Procedure

#### LPF, Attenuator and Adapter Insertion Loss Characterization

1. Zero and calibrate the measuring receiver and power sensor in LOG mode as described in the measuring receiver operation manual.
2. Zero and calibrate the power meter and low power sensor, as described in the power meter operation manual. Allow the power sensors to settle before proceeding.

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**Caution** Do not attempt to calibrate the low power sensor without the reference attenuator or damage to the low power sensor will occur.

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3. Connect the equipment as shown in Figure I-11. Connect the low power sensor directly to the power splitter (bypass the LPF, attenuator and adapters).
4. Press INSTRUMENT PRESET on the synthesized sweeper then set the controls as follows:  
CW ..... 300 MHz  
POWER LEVEL ..... -15 dBm
5. On the measuring receiver, press RATIO mode. Power indication should be 0 dB.
6. On the power meter, press the dB REF mode key. Power indication should be 0 dB.
7. Connect the LPF, attenuator and adapters as shown in Figure I-11.
8. Record the measuring receiver reading in dB. This is the relative error due to mismatch.

Mismatch Error \_\_\_\_\_dB

9. Record the power meter reading in dB. This is the relative uncorrected insertion loss of the LPF, attenuator and adapters.

Uncorrected Insertion Loss \_\_\_\_\_ dB

10. Subtract the Mismatch Error (step 8) from the Uncorrected Insertion Loss (step 9). This is the Corrected Insertion Loss.

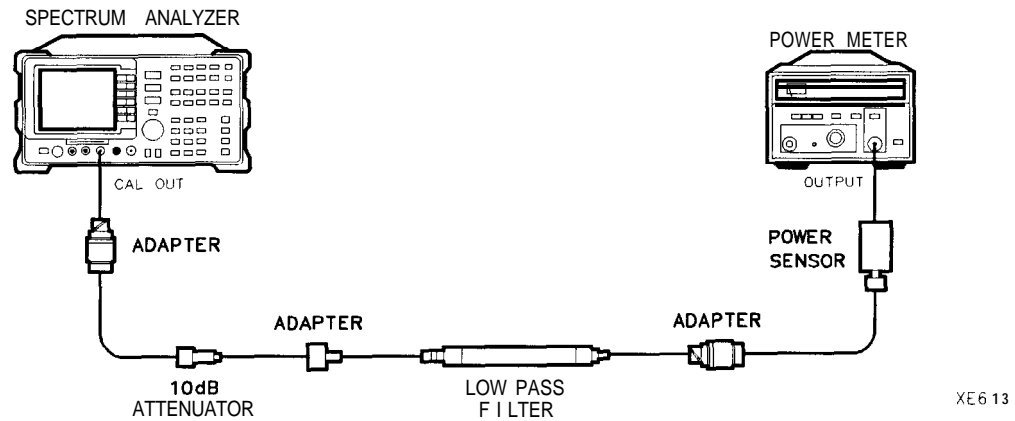
Corrected Insertion Loss \_\_\_\_\_ dB

Example: If the Mismatch Error is + 0.3 dB and the uncorrected Insertion Loss is -10.2 dB, subtract the Mismatch Error from the insertion loss gives a corrected reading of -10.5 dB.

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### Calibrator Amplitude Accuracy

11. Connect the equipment as shown in Figure 1-12. The spectrum analyzer should be positioned so that the setup of the adapters, LPF and attenuator do not bind. It may be necessary to support the center of gravity of the devices.



**Figure 1-12. Calibrator Amplitude Accuracy Test Setup**

12. On the power meter, press the dBm mode key. Record the power meter Reading in dBm.

HP 436A Reading \_\_\_\_\_ dBm

13. Subtract the Corrected Insertion Loss (step 10) from the power meter Reading (step 12), then record this value as TR Entry 10-1 of the performance verification test record. The CAL OUT amplitude should be  $-20 \text{ dBm} \pm 0.4 \text{ dB}$ .

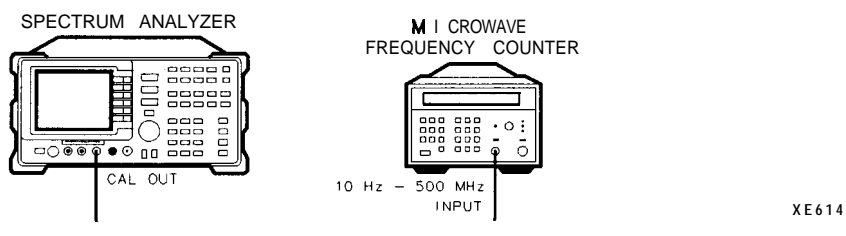
$$\text{CAL OUT Power} = \text{Power Meter Reading} - \text{Corrected Insertion Loss}$$

Example: If the Corrected Insertion Loss is  $-10.0 \text{ dB}$ , and the measuring receiver reading is  $-30 \text{ dB}$ , then  $-30 \text{ dB} - (-10.0 \text{ dB}) = -20 \text{ dB}$ .

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### Calibrator Frequency Accuracy

14. Connect the equipment as shown in Figure 1-13.



**Figure 1-13. Calibrator Frequency Accuracy Test Setup**

15. Set the frequency counter controls as follows:

SAMPLE RATE ..... Midrange  
50  $\Omega$ /1 M  $\Omega$  SWITCH .....50  $\Omega$   
10 Hz-500 MHz/500 MHz-26.5 GHz SWITCH ..... 10 Hz-500 MHz

16. Wait for the frequency counter to settle. This may take two or three gate times.

17. Read the frequency counter display, then record this reading as TR Entry 10-2 of the performance verification test record. The frequency should be between 299.97 MHz to 300.03 MHz

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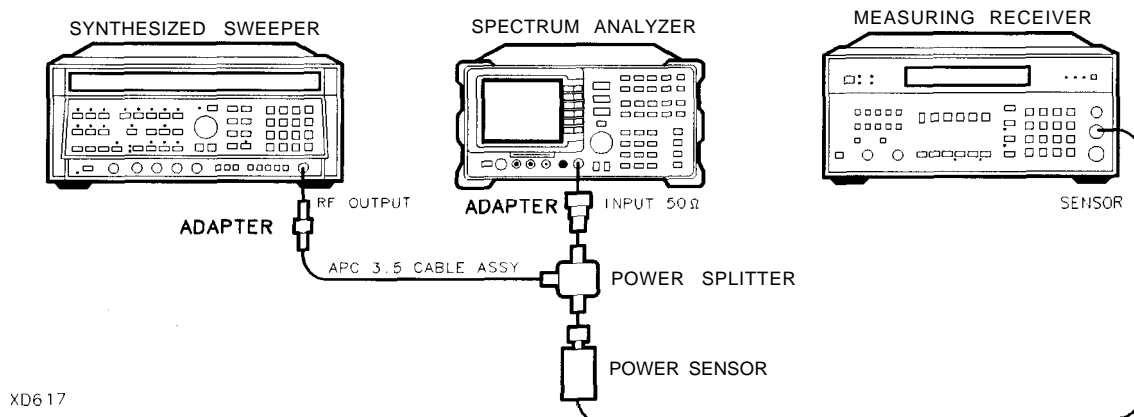
The output of the synthesized sweeper is fed through a power splitter to a power sensor and the spectrum analyzer. The synthesized sweeper's power level is adjusted at 300 MHz to place the displayed signal at the analyzer's center horizontal graticule line. The measuring receiver, used as a power meter, is placed in RATIO mode. At each new sweeper frequency and analyzer center frequency setting, the sweeper's power level is adjusted to place the signal at the center horizontal graticule line. The measuring receiver displays the inverse of the frequency response relative to 300 MHz (CAL OUT frequency).

The related adjustments for this performance verification test are:

- YTF Adjustment
- Dual Mixer Bias Adjustment
- Frequency Response Adjustment

### Equipment Required

- Synthesized sweeper
- Measuring receiver (*used as a power meter*)
- Frequency synthesizer
- Power sensor, 50 MHz to 26.5 GHz
- Power splitter
- Termination, 50  $\Omega$
- Adapter, Type N (m) to APC 3.5 (m)
- Adapter, Type N (f) to BNC (f)
- Adapter, 3.5 mm (f) to 3.5mm (f)
- Adapter, Type BNC (f) to SMA (m)
- Cable, BNC, 122 cm (48 in)
- Cable, APC 3.5, 91 cm (36 in)



**Figure 1-14. Frequency Response Test Setup,  $\geq 50$  MHz**



**Procedure**

1. Zero and calibrate the measuring receiver and 50 MHz to 26.5 GHz power sensor in LOG mode as described in the measuring receiver operation manual.
2. Connect the equipment as shown in Figure 1-14.  
*Option 026 only:* Connect the output of the power splitter to the analyzer input directly.
3. Press instrument preset on the synthesized sweeper. Set the synthesized sweeper controls as follows:

CW ..... 300 MHz  
 FREQ STEP ..... 100 MHz  
 POWER LEVEL ..... -8dBm

4. On the spectrum analyzer, press **PRESET**, then wait for the preset routine to finish. Press the following analyzer keys:

**FREQUENCY** Band Lock 0-2.9 Gz BAND 0  
**FREQUENCY** 300 (MHz)  
 CF STEP AUTO MAN 100 (MHz)  
**SPAN** 10 (MHz)  
**AMPLITUDE** REF LVL 10 (-dBm)  
 SCALE LOG LIN (LOG) 1 (dB)  
**BW** RES BW AUTO MAN 1 (MHz)  
 VID BW AUTO MAN 10 (kHz)

5. On the spectrum analyzer, press **PEAK SEARCH**, **MKR FCTN**, then MK TRACK ON OFF (ON).
6. Adjust the synthesized sweeper power level for a MKR-TRK amplitude reading of -14 dBm +/-0.1dB.
7. Press RATIO on the measuring receiver.

**Frequency Response, Band ≥ 50 MHz**

8. Set the synthesized sweeper CW frequency to 50 MHz.
9. Set the spectrum analyzer center frequency to 50 MHz.
10. Adjust the synthesized sweeper power level for a spectrum analyzer MKR-TRK amplitude reading of - 14 dBm ±0.1 dB.
11. Record the negative of the power ratio displayed on the measuring receiver in column 2 of Table 1-13 as the Measuring Receiver Reading at 50 MHz.
12. Set the synthesized sweeper CW frequency to 100 MHz.
13. Set the spectrum analyzer center frequency to 100 MHz.
14. Adjust the synthesized sweeper power level for a spectrum analyzer MKR-TRK amplitude reading of - 14 dBm ±0.1 dB.
15. Record the negative of the power ratio displayed on the measuring receiver in Table 1-13 as the measuring receiver Reading.
16. On the synthesized sweeper, press **CW**, and **↑** (step up) key and on the spectrum analyzer, press **FREQUENCY**, **↑** (step up) key to step through the remaining frequencies listed in Table 1-13.

## 11. Frequency Response

- At each new frequency repeat steps 13 through 15, entering the power sensor's Cal Factor into the measuring receiver as indicated in Table 1-13.

### Frequency Response, Band 1

- Press the following spectrum analyzer keys:

**[FREQUENCY]** Band Lock 2.75-6.5 BAND 1  
**[FREQUENCY]** 2.75 **[GHz]**  
**[SPAN]** 12 **[MHz]**  
**[BW]** RES BW AUTO MAN 1 **[MHz]**  
VID BW AUTO MAN 10 **[kHz]**  
**[PEAK SEARCH]** **[MKR FCTN]** MK TRACK ON OFF (ON)

- Set the synthesized sweeper CW to 2.75 GHz.
- On the spectrum analyzer, press **[AMPLITUDE]** then PRESEL PEAK .
- Adjust the synthesized sweeper power level for a spectrum analyzer MKR-TRK amplitude reading of  $-14 \text{ dBm} \pm 0.1 \text{ dB}$ .
- Record the negative of the power ratio displayed on the measuring receiver in Table 1-14, column 2.
- Set the synthesized sweeper CW and the spectrum analyzer center frequency to 2.8 GHz. Repeat steps 20 through 22.
- On the synthesized sweeper, press CW, and **[↑]** (step up) key, then on the spectrum analyzer, press **[FREQUENCY]**, **[↑]** (step up) key to step through the remaining frequencies listed in Table 1-14.
- At each new frequency repeat steps 19 through 21, entering the power sensor's Cal Factor into the measuring receiver as indicated in Table 1-14.

### Frequency Response, Band 2

- Press the following spectrum analyzer keys:

**[FREQUENCY]** Band Lock 6.0-12.8 BAND 2  
**[FREQUENCY]** 6.0 **[GHz]**  
CF STEP AUTO MAN 200 **[MHz]**  
**(SPAN)** 12 **[MHz]**  
**[BW]** RES BW AUTO MAN 1 (MHz)  
VID BW AUTO MAN 10 **[kHz]**  
**[PEAK SEARCH]**  
**[MKR FCTN]** MK TRACK ON OFF (ON)

- Set the synthesized sweeper CW to 6.0 GHz.
- On the spectrum analyzer, press **[AMPLITUDE]** PRESEL PEAK .
- Adjust the synthesized sweeper power level for a spectrum analyzer MKR-TRK amplitude reading of  $-14 \text{ dBm} \pm 0.1 \text{ dB}$ .
- Record the negative of the power ratio displayed on the measuring receiver in Table 1-15, column 2.

## 11. Frequency Response

31. On the synthesized sweeper, press **CW**, and **↑** (step up) key, then on the spectrum analyzer, press **FREQUENCY**, and **↑** (step up) key to step through the remaining frequencies listed in Table 1-15.
32. At each new frequency repeat steps 28 through 30, entering the power sensor's Cal Factor into the measuring receiver as indicated in Table 1-15.

### Frequency Response, Band 3

33. On the spectrum analyzer, press the following keys:

**FREQUENCY** Band Lock 12.4-19. BAND 3

**FREQUENCY** 12.4 **GHz**

**SPAN** 12 **MHz**

**BW** RES BW AUTO MAN 1 **MHz**

VID BW AUTO MAN 10 **kHz**

**PEAK SEARCH**

**MKR FCTN** MK TRACK ON OFF (ON)

34. Set the synthesized sweeper CW to 12.4 GHz.
35. On the spectrum analyzer, press **AMPLITUDE** then **PRESEL PEAK** .
36. Adjust the synthesized sweeper power level for a spectrum analyzer MKR-TRK amplitude reading of  $-14 \text{ dBm} \pm 0.1 \text{ dB}$ .
37. Record the negative of the power ratio displayed on the measuring receiver in Table 1-16, column 2.
38. On the synthesized sweeper, press **CW**, and **↑** (step up), then on the spectrum analyzer, press **FREQUENCY**, **↑** (step up) to step through the remaining frequencies listed in Table 1-16.
39. At each new frequency repeat steps 35 through 37, entering the power sensor's Cal Factor into the measuring receiver as indicated in Table 1-16.

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### Frequency Response, Band 4

40. On the spectrum analyzer, press the following keys:

**[FREQUENCY]** Band Lock 19.1-22 BAND 4

**[FREQUENCY]** 19.1 **[GHz]**

CF STEP AUTO MAN 100 **[MHz]**

CF STEP AUTO MAN (Option 026) 200 **[MHz]**

**[SPAN]** 12 **[MHz]**

**[BW]** RES BW AUTO MAN 1 **[MHz]**

VID BW AUTO MAN 10 **[kHz]**

**[PEAK SEARCH]**

**[MKR FCTN]** MK TRACK ON OFF (ON)

41. Set the synthesized sweeper CW to 19.1 GHz.

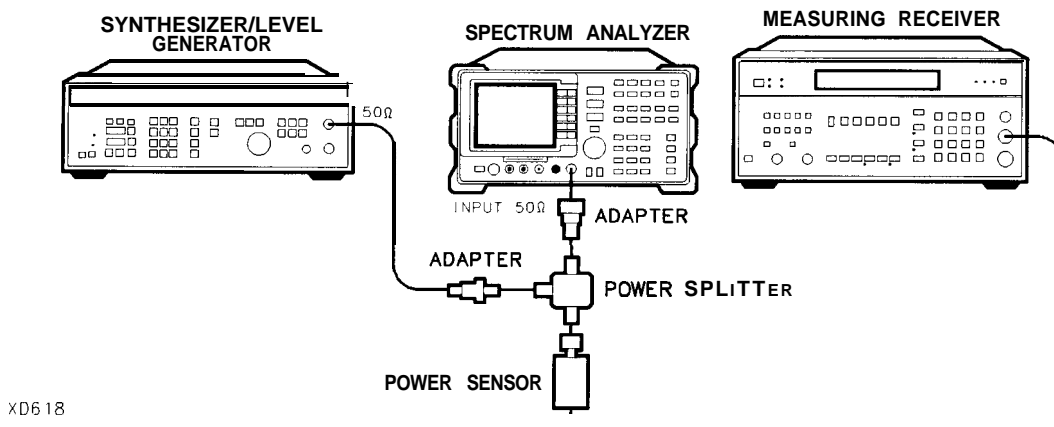
42. On the spectrum analyzer, press **[AMPLITUDE]**, then PRESEL PEAK .

43. Adjust the synthesized sweeper power level for a spectrum analyzer MKR-TRK amplitude reading of  $-14 \text{ dBm} \pm 0.1 \text{ dB}$ .

44. Record the negative of the power ratio displayed on the measuring receiver in Table 1-17, column 2 (Option 026 only: use Table 1-18, column 2.)

45. On the synthesized sweeper, press CW, and **[↑]** (step up) key, then on the spectrum analyzer, press **[FREQUENCY]**, **[↑]** (step up) key to step through the remaining frequencies listed in Table 1-17.

46. At each new frequency repeat steps 42 through 44, entering the power sensor's Cal Factor into the measuring receiver as indicated in Table 1-17, column 2.



**Figure 1-15. Frequency Response Test Setup (<50 MHz)**

**Frequency Response, Band < 50 MHz**

47. Set the synthesizer/level generator controls as follows:

FREQUENCY ..... 50 MHz  
 AMPLITUDE ..... -8 dBm  
 AMPTD INCR ..... 0.05 dB

48. On the spectrum analyzer, press the following keys:

**MKR** MARKER 1 ON OFF (OFF)  
**FREQUENCY** Band Lock BND LOCK ON OFF (OFF)  
**FREQUENCY** 50 **MHz**  
**SPAN** 12 **MHz**  
**PEAK SEARCH**  
**MKR FCTN** MKR TRACK ON OFF (ON)  
**SPAN** 100 **kHz**  
**BW** RES BW AUTO MAN 3 **kHz**

49. Connect the equipment as shown in Figure 1-15, with the power sensor connected to power splitter.

*Option 026 or 027 only:* Connect the power splitter to the analyzer input directly.

50. Enter the power sensor's 50 MHz Cal Factor into the measuring receiver.  
 51. Adjust the frequency synthesizer amplitude until the measuring receiver display reads the same value as recorded in step 11. Record the frequency synthesizer amplitude in Table 1-19.  
 52. Replace the 50 MHz to 26.5 GHz power sensor with the 50  $\Omega$  termination.  
 53. On the spectrum analyzer, press the following key:

**FREQUENCY** CF STEP AUTO MAN 30 **MHz**  
**FREQUENCY** **↓** (step down key)

54. Set the synthesizer/level generator to 20 MHz.  
 55. Set the spectrum analyzer Center Frequency (using the CF STEP AUTO MAN softkey) and the synthesizer/level generator frequency to the frequencies listed in Table 1-19.

Note that when measuring the 50 kHz center frequency flatness, there will be two signals on screen, the LO feedthrough and the signal from the synthesizer/level generator. Be sure that the marker is on the signal from the synthesizer/level generator (to the right of the LO feedthrough).

56. At each frequency, adjust the frequency synthesizer amplitude for a MKR A-TRK amplitude reading of  $0.00 \pm 0.05$  dB. Record the frequency synthesizer Amplitude Setting in Table 1-19 as the frequency synthesizer Amplitude.  
 57. For each of the frequencies in Table 1-19, subtract the frequency synthesizer Amplitude Reading (column 2) from the frequency synthesizer Amplitude Setting (50 MHz) recorded in step 50. Record the result as the Response Relative to 50 MHz (column 3) of Table 1-19.  
 58. Add to each of the Response Relative to 50 MHz entries in Table 1-19 the measuring receiver Reading for 50 MHz listed in Table 1-13. Record the results as the Response Relative to 300 MHz (column 4) in Table 1-19.

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### Test Results

#### Frequency Response, Band 0

1. Enter the most positive number from Table 1-19, column 4: \_\_\_\_\_ dB
2. Enter the most positive number from Table 1-13, column 2: \_\_\_\_\_ dB
3. Enter the more positive of numbers from step 1 and step 2 as TR Entry 11-1 of the performance verification test record (absolute referenced to 300 MHz).
4. Enter the most negative number from Table 1-19, column 4: \_\_\_\_\_ dB
5. Enter the most negative number from Table 1-13, column 2: \_\_\_\_\_ dB
6. Enter the more negative of numbers from step 4 and step 5 as TR Entry 11-2 of the performance verification test record.
7. Subtract step 6 from step 3. Enter this value as TR Entry 11-3 of the performance verification test record (relative flatness).

#### Frequency Response, Band 1

1. Enter the most positive number from Table 1-14, column 2, as TR Entry 11-4 of the performance verification test record.
2. Enter the most negative number from Table 1-14, column 2, as TR Entry 11-5 of the performance verification test record.
3. Subtract step 2 from step 1. Enter this value as TR Entry 11-6 of the performance verification test record.

#### Frequency Response, Band 2

1. Enter the most positive number from Table 1-15, column 2, as TR Entry 11-7 of the performance verification test record.
2. Enter the most negative number from Table 1-15, column 2, as TR Entry 11-8 of the performance verification test record.
3. Subtract step 2 from step 1. Enter this value as TR Entry 11-9 of the performance verification test record.

### Frequency Response, Band 3

1. Enter the most positive number from Table 1-16, column 2, as TR Entry 11-10 of the performance verification test record.
2. Enter the most negative number from Table 1-16, column 2, as TR Entry 11-11 of the performance verification test record.
3. Subtract step 2 from step 1. Enter this value as TR Entry 11-12 of the performance verification test record.

### Frequency Response, Band 4

*Option 026 or 027 only:* Proceed to “Frequency Response, Band 4 for Option 026 or 027” if the spectrum analyzer is equipped with Option 026 or 027.

1. Enter the most positive number from Table 1-17, column 2, as TR Entry 11-13 of the performance verification test record.
2. Enter the most negative number from Table 1-17, column 2, as TR Entry 11-14 of the performance verification test record.
3. Subtract step 2 from step 1. Enter this value as TR Entry 11-15 of the performance verification test record.

### Frequency Response, Band 4 for Option 026 or 027

1. Enter the most positive number from Table 1-18, column 2, as TR Entry 11-13 of the performance verification test record.
2. Enter the most negative number from Table 1-18, column 2, as TR Entry 11-14 of the performance verification test record.
3. Subtract step 2 from step 1. Enter this value as TR Entry 11-15 of the performance verification test record.

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**Table 1-13. Frequency Response Band 0 ( $\geq 50$  MHz)**

Column 1 Frequency (MHz)	Column 2 Measuring Receiver Reading (dB)	Column 3 CAL FACTOR Frequency (GHz)	Column 4 Measurement Uncertainty
50	_____	0.05	+ 0.29/-0.31 dB
100	_____	0.05	+ 0.29/-0.31 dB
200	_____	0.05	+ 0.29/-0.31 dB
300	_____	0.05	0 (Ref)
400	_____	0.05	+ 0.29/-0.31 dB
500	_____	0.05	+ 0.29/-0.31 dB
600	_____	0.05	+ 0.29/-0.31 dB
700	_____	0.05	+ 0.29/-0.31 dB
800	_____	0.05	+ 0.29/-0.31 dB
900	_____	0.05	+ 0.29/-0.31 dB
1000	_____	0.05	+ 0.29/-0.31 dB
1100	_____	2.0	+ 0.29/-0.31 dB
1200	_____	2.0	+ 0.29/-0.31 dB
1300	_____	2.0	+ 0.29/-0.31 dB
1400	_____	2.0	+ 0.29/-0.31 dB
1500	_____	2.0	+ 0.29/-0.31 dB
1600	_____	2.0	+ 0.29/-0.31 dB
1700	_____	2.0	+ 0.29/-0.31 dB
1800	_____	2.0	+ 0.29/-0.31 dB
1900	_____	2.0	+ 0.29/-0.31 dB
2000	_____	2.0	+ 0.29/-0.31 dB
2100	_____	2.0	+ 0.29/-0.31 dB
2200	_____	2.0	+ 0.29/-0.31 dB
2300	_____	2.0	+ 0.29/-0.31 dB
2400	_____	2.0	+ 0.29/-0.31 dB
2500	_____	3.0	+ 0.29/-0.31 dB
2600	_____	3.0	+ 0.29/-0.31 dB
2700	_____	3.0	+ 0.29/-0.31 dB
2800	_____	3.0	+ 0.29/-0.31 dB
2900	_____	3.0	+ 0.29/-0.31 dB



## 11. Frequency Response

**Table 1-14. Frequency Response Band 1**

Column 1 Frequency (GHz)	Column 2 Measuring Receiver Reading (dB) Preselector Peaked	Column 3 CAL FACTOR Frequency (GHz)	Column 4 Measurement Uncertainty
2.75	_____	3.0	+ 0.43/-0.47 dB
2.8	_____	3.0	+ 0.43/-0.47 dB
2.9	_____	3.0	+ 0.43/-0.47 dB
3.0	_____	3.0	+ 0.43/-0.47 dB
3.1	_____	3.0	+ 0.43/-0.47 dB
3.2	_____	3.0	+ 0.43/-0.47 dB
3.3	_____	3.0	+ 0.43/-0.47 dB
3.4	_____	3.0	+ 0.43/-0.47 dB
3.5	_____	4.0	+ 0.43/-0.47 dB
3.6	_____	4.0	+ 0.43/-0.47 dB
3.7	_____	4.0	+ 0.43/-0.47 dB
3.8	_____	4.0	+ 0.43/-0.47 dB
3.9	_____	4.0	+ 0.43/-0.47 dB
4.0	_____	4.0	+ 0.43/-0.47 dB
4.1	_____	4.0	+ 0.43/-0.47 dB
4.2	_____	4.0	+ 0.43/-0.47 dB
4.3	_____	4.0	+ 0.43/-0.47 dB
4.4	_____	4.0	+ 0.43/-0.47 dB
4.5	_____	5.0	+ 0.43/-0.47 dB
4.6	_____	5.0	+ 0.43/-0.47 dB
4.7	_____	5.0	+ 0.43/-0.47 dB
4.8	_____	5.0	+ 0.43/-0.47 dB
4.9	_____	5.0	+ 0.43/-0.47 dB
5.0	_____	5.0	+ 0.43/-0.47 dB
5.1	_____	5.0	+ 0.43/-0.47 dB
5.2	_____	5.0	+ 0.43/-0.47 dB
5.3	_____	5.0	+ 0.43/-0.47 dB
5.4	_____	5.0	+ 0.43/-0.47 dB
5.5	_____	6.0	+ 0.43/-0.47 dB
5.6	_____	6.0	+ 0.43/-0.47 dB

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**Table 1-14. Frequency Response Band 1 (continued)**

<b>Column 1</b> Frequency (GHz)	<b>Column 2</b> Measuring Receiver Reading (dB) Preselector Peaked	<b>Column 3</b> CAL FACTOR Frequency (GHz)	<b>Column 4</b> Measurement Uncertainty
5.7	_____	6.0	+ 0.43/-0.47 dB
5.8	_____	6.0	+ 0.43/-0.47 dB
5.9	_____	6.0	+ 0.43/-0.47 dB
6.0	_____	6.0	+ 0.43/-0.47 dB
6.1	_____	6.0	+ 0.43/-0.47 dB
6.2	_____	6.0	+ 0.43/-0.47 dB
6.3	_____	6.0	+ 0.43/-0.47 dB
6.4	_____	6.0	+ 0.43/-0.47 dB
6.5	_____	6.0	+ 0.43/-0.47 dB

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**Table 1-15. Frequency Response Band 2**

Column 1 Frequency (GHz)	Column 2 Measuring Receiver Reading (dB) Preselector Peaked	Column 3 CAL FACTOR Frequency (GHz)	Column 4 Measurement Uncertainty
6.0	_____	6.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
6.2	_____	6.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
6.4	_____	6.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
6.6	_____	7.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
6.8	_____	7.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
7.0	_____	7.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
7.2	_____	7.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
7.4	_____	7.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
7.6	_____	8.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
7.8	_____	8.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
8.0	_____	8.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
8.2	_____	8.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
8.4	_____	8.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
8.6	_____	9.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
8.8	_____	9.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
9.0	_____	9.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
9.2	_____	9.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
9.4	_____	9.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
9.6	_____	10.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
9.8	_____	10.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB

## 11. Frequency Response

**Table 1-15. Frequency Response Band 2 (continued)**

Column 1 Frequency (GHz)	Column 2 Measuring Receiver Reading (dB) Preselector Peaked	Column 3 CAL FACTOR Frequency (GHz)	Column 4 Measurement Uncertainty
10.0	_____	10.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
10.2	_____	10.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
10.4	_____	10.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
10.6	_____	11.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
10.8	_____	11.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
11.0	_____	11.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
11.2	_____	11.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
11.4	_____	11.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
11.6	_____	12.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
11.8	_____	12.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
12.0	_____	12.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
12.2	_____	12.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
12.4	_____	12.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
12.6	_____	13.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
12.8	_____	13.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB

## 11. Frequency Response

**Table 1-16. Frequency Response Band 3**

Column 1 Frequency (GHz)	Column 2 Measuring Receiver Reading (dB) Preselector Peaked	Column 3 CALFACTOR Frequency (GHz)	Column 4 Measurement Uncertainty
12.4	_____	12.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
12.6	_____	13.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
12.8	_____	13.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
13.0	_____	13.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
13.2	_____	13.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
13.4	_____	13.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
13.6	_____	14.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
13.8	_____	14.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
<b>.14.0</b>	_____	14.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
14.2	_____	14.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
14.4	_____	14.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
14.6	_____	15.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
14.8	_____	15.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
15.0	_____	15.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
15.2	_____	15.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
15.4	_____	15.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
15.6	_____	16.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
15.8	_____	16.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
16.0	_____	16.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
16.2	_____	16.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
16.4	_____	16.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
16.6	_____	17.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
16.8	_____	17.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
17.0	_____	17.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
17.2	_____	17.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB

## 11. Frequency Response

**Table 1-16. Frequency Response Band 3 (continued)**

Column 1 Frequency (GHz)	Column 2 Measuring Receiver Reading (dB) Preselector Peaked	Column 3 CAL FACTOR Frequency (GHz)	Column 4 Measurement Uncertainty
17.4	_____	17.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
17.6	_____	18.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
17.8	_____	18.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
18.0	_____	18.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
18.2	_____	18.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
18.4	_____	18.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
18.6	_____	19.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
18.8	_____	19.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
19.0	_____	19.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
19.2	_____	19.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB
19.4	_____	19.0	+ 0.43/-0.48 dB

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**Table 1-17. Frequency Response Band 4**

Column 1 Frequency GHz	Column 2 Measuring Receiver Reading (dB) Preselector Peaked	Column 3 CAL FACTOR Frequency (GHz)	Column 4 Measurement Uncertainty
19.1	_____	19.0	+ 0.55/-0.59 dB
19.2	_____	19.0	+ 0.55/-0.59 dB
19.3	_____	19.0	+ 0.55/-0.59 dB
19.4	_____	19.0	+ 0.55/-0.59 dB
19.5	_____	20.0	+ 0.55/-0.59 dB
19.6	_____	20.0	+ 0.55/-0.59 dB
19.7	_____	20.0	+ 0.55/-0.59 dB
19.8	_____	20.0	+ 0.55/-0.59 dB
19.9	_____	20.0	+ 0.55/-0.59 dB
20.0	_____	20.0	+ 0.55/-0.59 dB
20.1	_____	20.0	+ 0.55/-0.59 dB
20.2	_____	20.0	+ 0.55/-0.59 dB
20.3	_____	20.0	+ 0.55/-0.59 dB
20.4	_____	20.0	+ 0.55/-0.59 dB
20.5	_____	21.0	+ 0.55/-0.59 dB
20.6	_____	21.0	+ 0.55/-0.59 dB
20.7	_____	21.0	+ 0.55/-0.59 dB
20.8	_____	21.0	+ 0.55/-0.59 dB
20.9	_____	21.0	+ 0.55/-0.59 dB
21.0	_____	21.0	+ 0.55/-0.59 dB
21.1	_____	21.0	+ 0.55/-0.59 dB
21.2	_____	21.0	+ 0.55/-0.59 dB
21.3	_____	21.0	+ 0.55/-0.59 dB
21.4	_____	21.0	+ 0.55/-0.59 dB
21.5	_____	22.0	+ 0.55/-0.59 dB
21.6	_____	22.0	+ 0.55/-0.59 dB
21.7	_____	22.0	+ 0.55/-0.59 dB
21.8	_____	22.0	+ 0.55/-0.59 dB
21.9	_____	22.0	+ 0.55/-0.59 dB
22.0	_____	22.0	+ 0.55/-0.59 dB

## 11. Frequency Response

**Table 1-18. Frequency Response Band 4, Option 026 or 027**

Column 1 Frequency (GHz)	Column 2 Measuring Receiver Reading(dB) Preselector Peaked	Column 3 CAL FACTOR Frequency (GHz)	Column 4 Measurement Uncertainty
19.1	_____	19.0	+ 0.55/-0.59 dB
19.3	_____	19.0	+ 0.55/-0.59 dB
19.5	_____	20.0	+ 0.55/-0.59 dB
19.7	_____	20.0	+ 0.55/-0.59 dB
19.9	_____	20.0	+ 0.55/-0.59 dB
20.1	_____	20.0	+ 0.55/-0.59 dB
20.3	_____	20.0	+ 0.55/-0.59 dB
20.5	_____	21.0	+ 0.55/-0.59 dB
<b>20.7</b>	_____	21.0	+ 0.55/-0.59 dB
20.9	_____	21.0	+ 0.55/-0.59 dB
21.1	_____	21.0	+ 0.55/-0.59 dB
21.3	_____	21.0	+ 0.55/-0.59 dB
21.5	_____	22.0	+ 0.55/-0.59 dB
21.7	_____	22.0	+ 0.55/-0.59 dB
21.9	_____	22.0	+ 0.55/-0.59 dB
22.1	_____	22.0	+ 0.55/-0.59 dB
22.3	_____	22.0	+ 0.55/-0.59 dB
22.5	_____	23.0	+ 0.55/-0.59 dB
22.7	_____	23.0	+ 0.55/-0.59 dB
22.9	_____	23.0	+ 0.55/-0.59 dB
23.1	_____	23.0	+ 0.55/-0.59 dB
23.3	_____	23.0	+ 0.55/-0.59 dB
23.5	_____	24.0	+ 0.55/-0.59 dB
23.7	_____	24.0	+ 0.55/-0.59 dB
23.9	_____	24.0	+ 0.55/-0.59 dB
24.1	_____	24.0	+ 0.55/-0.59 dB
24.3	_____	24.0	+ 0.55/-0.59 dB
24.5	_____	25.0	+ 0.55/-0.59 dB
24.7	_____	25.0	+ 0.55/-0.59 dB



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**Table 1-18. Frequency Response Band 4, Option 026 or 027 (continued)**

Column 1 Frequency (GHz)	Column 2 Measuring Receiver Reading (dB) Preselector Peaked	Column 3 CAL FACTOR Frequency (GHz)	Column 4 Measurement Uncertainty
24.9	_____	25.0	+ 0.55/–0.59 dB
25.1	_____	25.0	+ 0.55/–0.59 dB
25.3	_____	25.5	+ 0.55/–0.59 dB
25.5	_____	25.5	+ 0.55/–0.59 dB
25.7	_____	25.5	+ 0.55/–0.59 dB
25.9	_____	26.0	+ 0.55/–0.59 dB
26.1	_____	26.0	+ 0.55/–0.59 dB
26.3	_____	26.5	+ 0.55/–0.59 dB
26.5	_____	26.5	+ 0.55/–0.59 dB

**Table 1-19. Frequency Response Band 0 (<50 MHz)**

Column 1 Spectrum Analyzer Frequency Synthesizer Frequency	Column 2 Frequency Synthesizer Amplitude (dBm)	Column 3 Response Relative to 50 MHz	Column 4 Response Relative to 300 MHz	Column 5 Measurement Uncertainty
50 MHz	_____	0 (ref)	_____	+ 0.34/–0.37
20 MHz	_____	_____	_____	+ 0.34/–0.37
10 MHz	_____	_____	_____	+ 0.34/–0.37
5 MHz	_____	_____	_____	+ 0.34/–0.37
1 MHz	_____	_____	_____	+ 0.34/–0.37
200kHz	_____	_____	_____	+ 0.34/–0.37
50 kHz	_____	_____	_____	+ 0.34/–0.37

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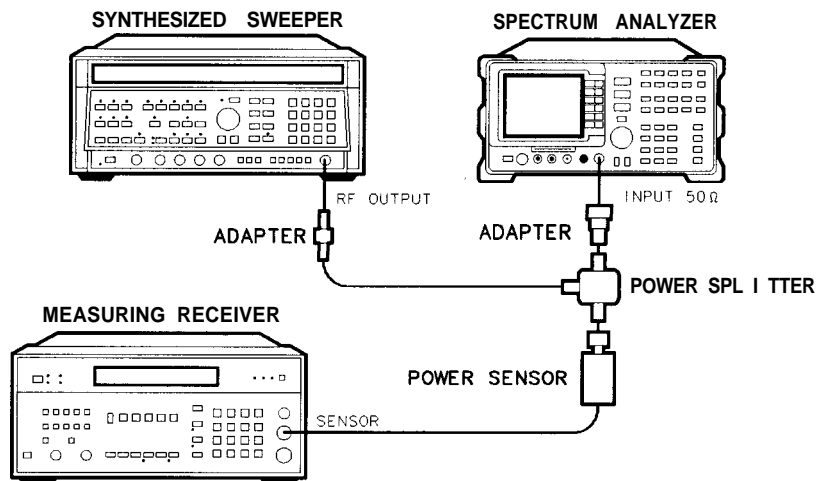
## 12. Other Input Related Spurious Responses

A synthesized source and the spectrum analyzer are set to the same frequency and the amplitude of the source is set to 0 dBm. A marker-amplitude reference is set on the spectrum analyzer. The source is then tuned to several different frequencies which should generate image, multiple, and out-of-band responses. At each source frequency, the source amplitude is set to 0 dBm and the amplitude of the response, if any, is measured using the spectrum analyzer marker function. The marker-amplitude difference is then compared to the specification.

There are no related adjustment procedures for this performance verification test.

### Equipment Required

- Synthesized sweeper
- Measuring receiver (*used as a Power meter*)
- Power sensor, 50 MHz to 26.5 GHz
- Power splitter
- Adapter, Type N (m) to APC 3.5 (m)
- Adapter, APC 3.5 (f) to APC 3.5 (f)
- Cable, APC 3.5, 91 cm (36 in)



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**Figure 1-16. Other Input Related Spurious Responses Test Setup**

**Procedure**

**Band 0**

1. Zero and calibrate the measuring receiver and 50 MHz to 26.5 GHz power sensor in log mode (power reads out in dBm), as described in the measuring receiver operation manual. Enter the power sensor's 2 GHz Cal Factor into the measuring receiver.

2. Press INSTRUMENT PRESET on the synthesized sweeper and set the controls as follows:

CW .....2000 MHz  
 POWERLEVEL .....-4dBm

3. Connect the equipment as shown in Figure 1-16. Connect the output of the synthesizer to the 50 MHz to 26.5 GHz power sensor using adapters.

*Option 026 only:* Connect the power splitter to the spectrum analyzer input directly.

4. Press **[PRESET]** on the spectrum analyzer, then wait for the preset routine to finish. Set the spectrum analyzer by pressing the following keys:

**[FREQUENCY]** 2.0 **[GHz]**  
**[SPAN]** 12 **[MHz]**  
**[AMPLITUDE]** REF LVL \_\_\_\_\_ **[-dBm]**  
 ATTEN AUTO MAN 0 **[dB]**

5. Adjust the synthesized sweeper power level for a - 10 dBm ±0.1 dB reading on the measuring receiver.
6. On the spectrum analyzer, press the following keys:

**[PEAK SEARCH]**  
**[MKR FCTN]** MK TRACK ON OFF (ON)  
 (SPAN) 200 **[kHz]**

Wait for the AUTO ZOOM message to disappear. Press the following spectrum analyzer keys:

**[PEAK SEARCH]**  
**[MKR →]** MARKER → REF LVL  
**[MKR FCTN]** MK TRACK ON OFF (OFF)  
**[PEAK SEARCH]** MARKER Δ  
**[AMPLITUDE]** **[↓]** (step-down key).  
**[SGL SWP]**

7. For each of the frequencies listed in Table 1-20, do the following:
  - a. Set the synthesized sweeper to the listed CW frequency.
  - b. Enter the appropriate power sensor CAL Factor into the measuring receiver.
  - c. Set the synthesized sweeper power level for -10 dBm reading on the measuring receiver.
  - d. Press **[SGL SWP]** and wait for the completion of a new sweep.
  - e. On the spectrum analyzer, press **[PEAK SEARCH]** and record the marker-delta amplitude reading in Table 1-20 as the Actual MKR A Amplitude.

The Actual MKR A Amplitude should be less than the Maximum MKR A Amplitude listed in Table 1-20.

Note that the Maximum MKR A Amplitude is 10 dB more positive than the specification. This is due to the 10 dB change in reference level made in step 6.

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8. Press the following spectrum analyzer keys:

**(MKR)** MARKER 1 ON OFF (OFF)  
**(HOLD)**  
**(AUTO COUPLE]** AUTO ALL  
**(SPAN)** 1 **(MHz)**  
**(AMPLITUDE)** REF LVL 10 **(-dBm)**  
**ATTEN** AUTO MAN 0 **(dB)**  
**(SWEEP)** SWEEP CONT SGL (CONT)

### Band 1

9. On the spectrum analyzer, press **(FREQUENCY)**, 4, **(GHz)**.

10. Set the synthesized sweeper CW to 4 GHz.

11. Enter the power sensor 4 GHz CAL Factor into the measuring receiver.

12. Press the following spectrum analyzer keys:

**(PEAK SEARCH)**  
**(AMPLITUDE)** PRESEL PEAK

Wait for the CAL: PEAKING message to disappear, then press **(MKR)**, MARKER 1 ON OFF (OFF).

13. Repeat steps 5 through 8 for the synthesized sweeper CW frequencies listed in Table 1-20 for Band 1.

### Band 2

14. On the spectrum analyzer, press **(FREQUENCY)**, 9, **(GHz)**.

15. Set the synthesized sweeper CW to 9 GHz.

16. Enter the power sensor 9 GHz CAL Factor into the measuring receiver.

17. Press the following spectrum analyzer keys:

**(PEAK SEARCH)**  
**(AMPLITUDE)** PRESEL PEAK

Wait for the CAL : PEAKING message to disappear, then press **(MKR)**, MARKER 1 ON OFF (OFF).

18. Repeat steps 5 through 8 for the synthesized sweeper CW frequencies listed in Table 1-20 for Band 2.

### Band 3

19. On the spectrum analyzer, press **(FREQUENCY)**, 15, **(GHz)**.

20. Set the synthesized sweeper CW to 15 GHz.

21. Enter the power sensor 15 GHz CAL Factor into the measuring receiver.

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22. Press the following spectrum analyzer keys:

**PEAK SEARCH**  
**AMPLITUDE** PRESEL PEAK

Wait for the CAL: PEAKING message to disappear, then press **MKR**, MARKER 1 ON OFF (OFF).

23. Repeat steps 5 through 8 for the synthesized sweeper CW frequencies listed in Table 1-20 for Band 3.

### Band 4

If your spectrum analyzer is equipped with Option 026 or 027 perform the section “Band 4 for Option 026 or 027” instead.

Perform this section only if you spectrum analyzer is *not* equipped with Option 026.

24. On the spectrum analyzer, press **FREQUENCY**, 21, **GHz**.

25. Set the synthesized sweeper CW to 21 GHz.

26. Enter the power sensor 21 GHz CAL Factor into the measuring receiver.

27. Press the following spectrum analyzer keys:

**PEAK SEARCH**  
**AMPLITUDE** PRESEL PEAK

Wait for the CAL: PEAKING message to disappear, then press **MKR**, MARKER1 ON OFF (OFF).

28. Repeat steps 5 through 8 for the synthesized sweeper CW frequencies listed in Table 1-20 for Band 4.

### Band 4 for Option 026 or 027

Perform this section only if you spectrum analyzer is equipped with Option 026 or 027.

29. On the spectrum analyzer, press **FREQUENCY**, 24, **GHz**.

30. Set the synthesized sweeper CW to 24 GHz.

31. Enter the power sensor 24 GHz CAL Factor into the measuring receiver.

32. Press the following spectrum analyzer keys:

**PEAK SEARCH**  
**AMPLITUDE** PRESEL PEAK

Wait for the CAL: PEAKING message to disappear, then press **MKR**, MARKER 1 ON OFF (OFF).

33. Repeat steps 5 through 8 for the synthesized sweeper CW frequencies listed in Table 1-20 for Band 4 for Option 026 or 027.

## 12. Other Input Related Spurious Responses

### Specification Summary

1. Record the maximum Actual MKR A Amplitude from Table 1-20 for Band 0 as TR Entry 12-1 of the performance verification test record.
2. Record the maximum Actual MKR A Amplitude from Table 1-20 for Band 1 as TR Entry 12-2 of the performance verification test record.
3. Record the maximum Actual MKR A Amplitude from Table 1-20 for Band 2 as TR Entry 12-3 of the performance verification test record.
4. Record the maximum Actual MKR A Amplitude from Table 1-20 for Band 3 as TR Entry 12-4 of the performance verification test record.
5. Record the maximum Actual MKR A Amplitude from Table 1-20 for Band 4 as TR Entry 12-5 of the performance verification test record.

*Option 026 or 027 only:* Record the maximum Actual MKR A Amplitude from Table 1-20 for band 4, Option 026 or 027 as TR Entry 12-5 of the performance verification test record.

## 12. Other Input Related Spurious Responses

**Table I-20. Other Input Related Spurious Worksheet**

Band	Spectrum Analyzer Center Frequency	Synthesized Sweeper C W Frequency	MKR A Amplitude	
			Actual (dBc)	Max. (dBc)
	<b>GHz</b>	<b>MHz</b>		
<b>0</b>	2.0	2042.8*		-55
	2.0	2642.8*		-55
	2.0	9842.8†		-55
	2.0	7921.4†		-55
	2.0	1820.8~		-55
	2.0	278.5‡		-55
<b>1</b>	4.0	4042.8*		-55
	4.0	4642.8*		-55
	4.0	8321.4†		-55
	4.0	3742.9‡		-55
2	9.0	9042.8*		-55
	9.0	9642.8*		-55
	9.0	4982.1†		-55
	9.0	9642.8‡		-55
3	15.0	15042.8*		-55
	15.0	15642.8*		-55
	15.0	4785.8†		-55
	15.0	15669.65‡		-55
4	21.0	21042.8*		-50
	21.0	21642.8*		-50
	21.0	5008.95†		-55
	21.0	21642.8‡		-50
4 <i>Option 026 or 027 Only</i>	24	24042.8*		-50
	24	24642.8*		-50
	24	11839.3†		-55
	24	20019.65‡		-50
Image Response Out-of-Band Response Multiple Response				

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## 13. Spurious Response Test

This test is performed in two parts. The first part measures second harmonic distortion; the second part measures third order intermodulation distortion. Second harmonic distortion and third order intermodulation distortion is checked in both low band (50 kHz to 2.9 GHz) and high band (2.75 to 22 GHz).

To test second harmonic distortion, 50 MHz and 4.4 GHz low pass filters are used to filter the source output, ensuring that harmonics read by the analyzer are internally generated and not coming from the source. The distortion products are measured using the analyzer's marker functions.

For third order intermodulation distortion, two signals are combined in a directional coupler (for isolation) and are applied to the analyzer input. The power level of the two signals is 8 dB higher than specified, so the distortion products should be suppressed by 16 dB less than specified. In this manner, the equivalent Third Order Intercept (TOI) is measured.

With two -30 dBm signals at the input mixer and the distortion products suppressed by 70 dBc, the equivalent TOI is +5 dBm (-30 dBm + 70 dBc/2). However, if two -22 dBm signals are present at the input mixer and the distortion products are suppressed by 54 dBc, the equivalent TOI is also +5 dBm (-22 dBm + 54 dBc/2).

Performing the test with a higher power level maintains the measurement integrity while reducing both test time and the dependency upon the source's noise sideband performance verification.

There are no related adjustment procedures for this performance verification test.

### Equipment Required

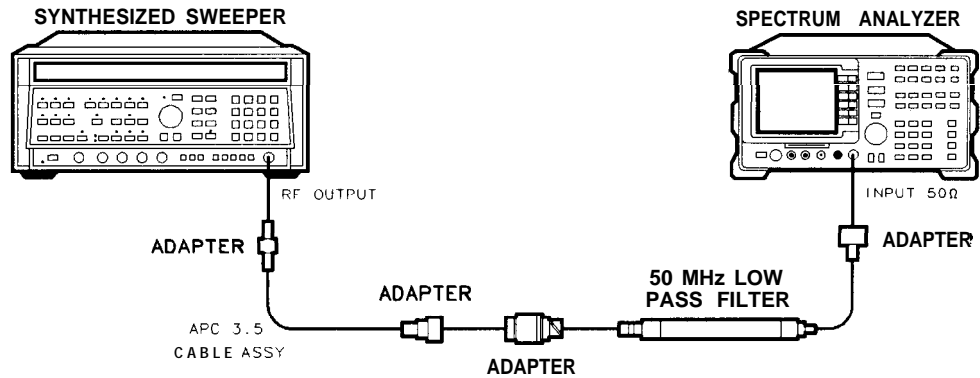
- Synthesized sweeper (2 required)
- Measuring receiver (used as a power meter)
- Power sensor, 50 MHz to 26.5 GHz
- Power splitter
- Low pass filter, 50 MHz
- Low pass filter, 4.4 GHz, (2 required)
- Directional coupler
- Adapter, Type N (m) to APC 3.5 (m)
- Adapter, APC 3.5 (f) to APC 3.5 (f) (2 required)
- Adapter, Type N (f) to APC 3.5 (f)
- Adapter, Type N (m) to BNC (f) (2 required)
- Adapter, Type N (m) to APC 3.5 (f)
- Adapter, Type N (f) to BNC (m)
- Cable, APC 3.5, 91 cm (36 in)
- Cable, BNC, 120 cm (48 in)

### Additional Equipment Required for Option 026

- Adapter, BNC (f) to SMA (m)



## 13. Spurious Response Test



**Figure 1-17. Second Harmonic Distortion Test Setup**

### Procedure

#### Second Harmonic Distortion < 2.9 GHz

1. Press INSTRUMENT PRESET on the synthesized sweeper and set the controls as follows:

CW ..... 30 MHz  
 POWER LEVEL ..... -30 dBm

2. Connect the equipment as shown in Figure 1-17.

*Option 026 only:* Use the BNC to SMA adapter with an APC 3.5 (f) to (f) adapter.

3. Press **PRESET** on the spectrum analyzer and wait for the preset to finish. Set the controls as follows:

**FREQUENCY** 30 **(MHz)**  
**SPAN** 12 **(MHz)**  
**AMPLITUDE** 30 **(-dBm)**  
**[PEAK SEARCH]**  
**(MKR FCTN)** MK TRACK ON OFF (ON)  
**SPAN** 1 **(MHz)**  
**(MKR FCTN)** MK TRACK ON OFF (OFF)  
**BW** 30 **(kHz)**

4. Adjust the synthesized sweeper power level to place the peak of the signal at the reference level (-30 dBm).
5. Set the spectrum analyzer controls as follows:

**(BW)** 1 **(kHz)**  
 VID BW AUTO MAN 100 **(Hz)**

6. On the spectrum analyzer, wait for two sweeps to finish then press the following keys:

**(PEAK SEARCH)** **MARKER** A  
**[FREQUENCY]** CF STEP AUTO MAN 30 **(MHz)**  
**FREQUENCY**

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7. Press the **(↑)** (step-up key) on the spectrum analyzer to step to the second harmonic (at 60 MHz). Set the reference level to -50 dBm then press **[PEAK SEARCH]**.

Record the MKR A Amplitude reading as TR Entry 13-1 in the performance verification test record. The MKR A Amplitude reading should be less than the specified limit.

It should be noted that the Max. MKR A Amplitude Reading is 20 dB higher than the specification. This is a result of changing the reference level from -30 dBm to -50 dBm.

### Second Harmonic Distortion > 2.9 GHz

8. Zero and calibrate the measuring receiver and power sensor combination in log mode (RF Power readout in dBm). Enter the power sensor's 3 GHz Cal Factor into the measuring receiver.
9. Measure the noise level at 5.6 GHz as follows:
  - a. Remove any cable or adapters from the spectrum analyzer INPUT 50  $\Omega$ .
  - b. Press **[PRESET]** on the spectrum analyzer and set the controls as follows:
    - [FREQUENCY]** 5.6 **[GHz]**
    - [SPAN]** 0 **[Hz]**
    - [AMPLITUDE]** 40 **[-dBm]**
    - [BW]** 1 **[kHz]**
    - VID BW AUTO MAN 30 **[Hz]**
    - VID AVG ON OFF 10 **[Hz]**
    - [SWEEP]** 5.0 **[sec]**
  - c. Press **[SGL SWP]**. Wait until AVG 10 is displayed along the left side of the CRT display. Press **[PEAK SEARCH]** on the spectrum analyzer and record the marker amplitude reading as the noise level at 5.6 GHz:

Noise Level at 5.6 GHz \_\_\_\_\_ dBm

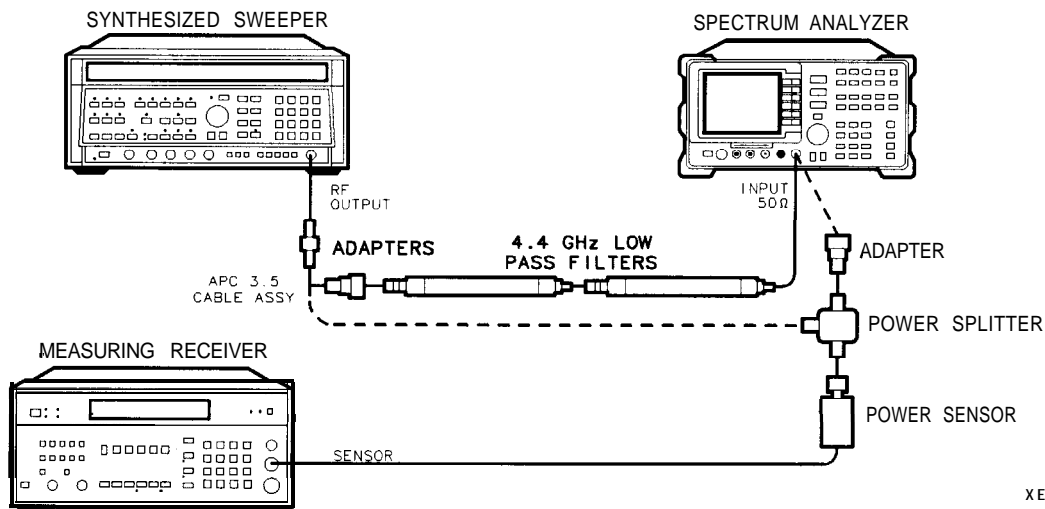
10. Press **[PRESET]** on the spectrum analyzer then set the controls as follows:

- [FREQUENCY]** Band Lock 2.75-6.5 BAND 1
- [FREQUENCY]** 2.3 **[GHz]**
- [SPAN]** 12 **[MHz]**

11. Connect equipment as shown in Figure 1-18, with the output of the synthesized sweeper connected to the input of the power splitter, and the power splitter outputs connected to the spectrum analyzer and the power sensor.

*Option 026 only:* Use the BNC to SMA adapter with an APC 3.5 (f) to (f) adapter.

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**Figure 1-18. Second Harmonic Distortion Test Setup, >2.9 GHz**

12. On the synthesized sweeper, press INSTRUMENT PRESET and set the controls as follows:

CW .....2.8 GHz  
 POWERLEVEL .....0 dBm

13. On the spectrum analyzer, press the following keys:

**[PEAK SEARCH]**  
**[MKR FCTN]** MK TRACK ON OFF (ON)  
**[AMPLITUDE]** PRESEL PEAK

Wait for the CAL: PEAKING message to disappear. Press **[PEAK SEARCH]** then MARKER A .

14. Note the power meter reading:

Power Meter Reading at 2.8 GHz \_\_\_\_\_dBm

15. Set the synthesized sweeper CW to 5.6 GHz.

16. Set the spectrum analyzer center frequency to 5.6 GHz then press the following keys:

**[PEAK SEARCH]**  
**[MKR FCTN]** MK TRACK ON OFF (ON)  
**[AMPLITUDE]** PRESEL PEAK

Wait for the CAL : PEAKING message to disappear.

17. Adjust the synthesized sweeper power level until the Marker  $\Delta$ Amplitude reads 0 dB  $\pm$ 0.20 dB.

18. Enter the power sensor's 6 GHz Cal Factor into the power meter. Note the power meter reading:

Power Meter Reading at 5.6 GHz \_\_\_\_\_ dBm

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19. Subtract the reading in step 18 from the reading in step 13 and record as the Frequency Response Error. For example, if the reading in step 18 is -6.45 dBm and the reading in step 13 is -7.05 dBm, the Frequency Response Error would be  $-7.05 \text{ dBm} - (-6.45 \text{ dBm}) = -0.60 \text{ dB}$ .

Frequency Response Error (FRE) \_\_\_\_\_ dB

20. Calculate the desired maximum marker amplitude reading as follows:

- a. Add Frequency Response Error, FRE, (step 19) to -60 dBc (specification is -100 dBc, but reference level will be changed by 40 dB to yield the required dynamic range) and record below:

Distortion-limited Specification = -60 dBc + FRE

Distortion-limited Specification \_\_\_\_\_ dBc

- b. Subtract -40 dBm (reference level setting) from Noise Level at 5.6 GHz (step 9) and record below:

Noise-limited Specification = Noise Level at 5.6 GHz + 40 dBm

Noise-limited Specification \_\_\_\_\_ dBc

- c. Record the more positive of the values recorded in a and b above as TR Entry 13-2. For example, if the value in a is -59 dBc and the value in b is -61 dBc, record -59 dBc.

21. Connect the equipment as shown in Figure 1-18 with the filters in place.

22. Set the synthesized sweeper controls as follows:

CW ..... 2.8 GHz  
POWERLEVEL ..... 0 dBm

23. On the spectrum analyzer, set the controls as follows:

**[FREQUENCY]** 2.8 **[GHz]**  
**[MKR MARKER]** 1 ON OFF (OFF)  
**[PEAK SEARCH]**  
**[MKR FCTN]** MK TRACK ON OFF (ON)  
**[AMPLITUDE]** PRESEL PEAK

Wait for the CAL: PEAKING message to disappear. Press **[SPAN]** then enter 100 **[kHz]**.

24. Adjust the synthesized sweeper power level for a spectrum analyzer marker amplitude reading of 0 dBm f0.2 dB.

25. On the spectrum analyzer, press the following keys:

**[MKR FCTN]** MK TRACK ON OFF (OFF)  
**[PEAK SEARCH]** **MARKER Δ**  
**[FREQUENCY]** 5.5 **[GHz]**  
**[SPAN]** 12 **[MHz]**

26. Remove the filters and connect the synthesized sweeper output directly to the spectrum analyzer INPUT 50 Ω.

27. On the spectrum analyzer, press the following keys:

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**PEAK SEARCH**

**MKR FCTN** MK TRACK **ON** OFF (ON)

**AMPLITUDE** PRESEL PEAK

Wait for the CAL: PEAKING message to disappear. Press **SPAN** then enter 100 **kHz**.

28. Reinstall the filters between the synthesized sweeper output and the spectrum analyzer INPUT 50  $\Omega$ .

29. Set the spectrum analyzer controls as follows:

**AMPLITUDE** 40 **-dBm**

**BW**

VID BW AUTO MAN 30 **Hz**

VID AVG ON OFF 10 **Hz**

Press **SGL SWP**. Wait until AVG 10 is displayed along the left side of the CRT display.

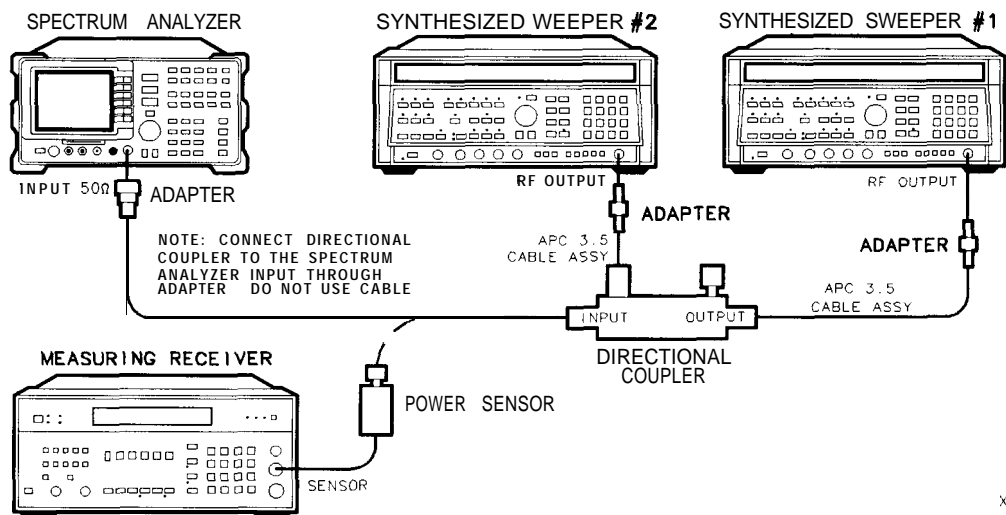
30. Press **PEAK SEARCH**, then record the Marker Amplitude Reading as TR Entry 13-3 in the performance verification test record.

The Marker Amplitude Reading should be more negative than the Specification previously recorded as TR Entry 13-2.

### Third Order Intermodulation Distortion < 2.9 GHz

31. Zero and calibrate the measuring receiver and power sensor combination in log mode (RF Power readout in dBm). Enter the power sensor's 3 GHz Cal Factor into the measuring receiver.

32. Connect the equipment as shown in Figure 1-19 with the input of the directional coupler connected to the power sensor.



**Figure 1-19. Third-Order Intermodulation Distortion Test Setup**

### 13. Spurious Response Test

33. Press INSTRUMENT PRESET on each synthesized sweeper then set each of the controls as follows:

POWER LEVEL.....-15 dBm  
CW (synthesized sweeper #1) ..... 2.800 GHz  
CW (synthesized sweeper #2)..... 2.80005 GHz  
RF .....OFF

34. On the spectrum analyzer, press **PRESET** and wait until the preset is finished. Set the controls as follows:

**FREQUENCY** 2.8 **GHz**  
**SPAN** 12 **MHz**  
**AMPLITUDE** 10 **-dBm**  
**PEAK SEARCH** More 1 of 2  
**PEAK EXCURSN** 3 **dB**  
**DISPLAY** More 1 of 2  
**THRESHLD ON OFF (ON)** 90 **-dBm**

35. On synthesized sweeper #1, set RF to ON. Adjust the power level until the measuring receiver reads -12 dBm  $\pm$ 0.05 dB.
36. Disconnect the power sensor from the directional coupler. Connect the directional coupler directly to the spectrum analyzer INPUT 50  $\Omega$  using an adapter (do not use a cable).
37. On the spectrum analyzer, press the following keys:

**PEAK SEARCH**  
**MKR FCTN** MK TRACK ON OFF (ON)  
**SPAN]** 200 **kHz**

Wait for the AUTO ZOOM message to disappear. Press the following analyzer keys:

**PEAK SEARCH**  
**MKR →** MARKER →REFLVL  
**MKR FCTN** MK TRACK ON OFF (OFF)

38. On synthesized sweeper #2, set RF to ON. Adjust the power level until the two signals are displayed at the same amplitude. If necessary, adjust the spectrum analyzer center frequency until the two signals are centered on the display.
39. Set the spectrum analyzer by pressing the following keys:

**BW** 1 **kHz**  
VID BW AUTO MAN 100 **Hz**  
**SGL SWP**

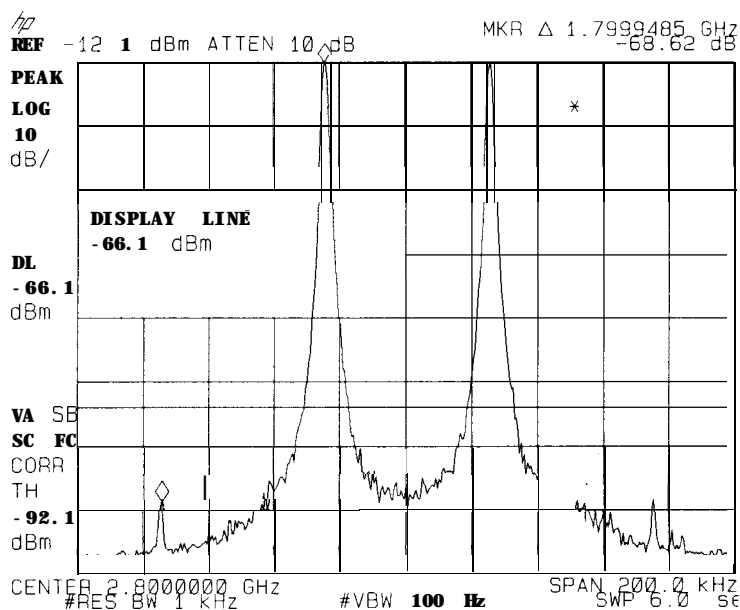
40. On the spectrum analyzer, press the following keys:

**PEAK SEARCH** **MARKER Δ**  
**DISPLAY** DSP LINE ON OFF (ON)

Set the display line to a value 54 dB below the current reference level setting.

41. The third-order intermodulation distortion products should appear 50 kHz below the lower frequency signal and 50 kHz above the higher frequency signal. Their amplitude should be less than the display line. See Figure 1-20.

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**Figure 1-20. Third Order Intermodulation Distortion**

42. If the distortion products can be seen, proceed as follows:
  - a. On the spectrum analyzer, press **(MKR →)**, More 1 of 2 , then Peak Menu.
  - b. Repeatedly press NEXT PEAK until the active marker is on the desired distortion product.
  - c. Record the MKR A amplitude reading as TR Entry 13-4. The MKR A reading should be less than the specified limit.
43. If the distortion products cannot be seen, proceed as follows:
  - a. On each synthesized sweeper, increase the power level by 5 dB. Distortion products should now be visible at this higher power level.
  - b. On the spectrum analyzer, press **(MKR →)**, More 1 of 2 , then Peak Menu.
  - c. Repeatedly press NEXT PEAK until the active marker is on one of the distortion products.
  - d. On each synthesizer sweeper, reduce the power level by 5 dB and wait for completion of a new sweep.
  - e. Record the MKR A amplitude reading as TR Entry 13-4 of the performance verification test record. The MKR A reading should be less than the specified limit.

### **Third Order Intermodulation Distortion > 2.9 GHz**

44. Enter the power sensor's 4 GHz Cal Factor into the measuring receiver.
45. Disconnect the directional coupler from the spectrum analyzer and connect the power sensor to the output of the directional coupler.

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46. Set each of the synthesizer sweeper controls as follows:

POWER LEVEL ..... -15 dBm  
CW (synthesized sweeper #1) ..... 4.000 GHz  
CW (synthesized sweeper #2) ..... 4.00005 GHz  
RF ..... OFF

47. On the spectrum analyzer, press **PRESET** and wait until the preset is finished. Set the controls as follows:

**FREQUENCY** 4.) **GHz**  
**SPAN** 12 **MHz**  
**AMPLITUDE** 10 **-dBm**  
**PEAK SEARCH** More 1 of 2  
**PEAK EXCURSN** 3 **dB**  
**DISPLAY** More 1 of 2  
**TWRESHLD ON OFF (ON)** 90 **-dBm**

48. On synthesized sweeper #1, set RF to ON. Adjust the power level until the measuring receiver reads -12 dBm f0.05 dB.

49. Disconnect the power sensor from the directional coupler. Connect the directional coupler directly to the spectrum analyzer INPUT 50  $\Omega$  using an adapter (do not use a cable).

50. On the spectrum analyzer, press **PEAK SEARCH**, **AMPLITUDE**, then PRESEL PEAK . Wait for the CAL : PEAKING message to disappear then press the following keys:

**MKR FCTN** MK TRACK ON OFF (ON)  
**SPAN** 200 **kHz**

Wait for the AUTO ZOOM message to disappear. Press the following analyzer keys:

**MKR FCTN** MK TRACK ON OFF (OFF)  
**FREQUENCY** **↑** (step-up key)  
**PEAK SEARCH**  
**MKR →** MARKER → REFLVL

51. On synthesized sweeper #2, set RF to ON. Adjust the power level until the two signals are displayed at the same amplitude.

52. If necessary, adjust the spectrum analyzer center frequency until the two signals are centered on the display. Set the controls as follows:

**BW** 1 **kHz**  
VID BW AUTO MAN 100 **Hz**  
**SGL SWP**

53. Press **PEAK SEARCH** then **MARKER Δ** . Set the display line to a value 54 dB below the current reference level setting.

54. The third order intermodulation distortion products should appear 50 kHz below the lower frequency signal and 50 kHz above the higher frequency signal. Their amplitude should be less than the display line. See Figure I-20.



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55. If the distortion products can be seen, proceed as follows:
- a. On the spectrum analyzer, press **(MKR →)**, More 1 of 2 , then Peak Menu.
  - b. Repeatedly press NEXT PEAK until the active marker is on the desired distortion product.
  - c. Record the MKR A amplitude reading as TR Entry 13-4 of the performance verification test record. The MKR A reading should be less than the specified limit.
56. If the distortion products cannot be seen, proceed as follows:
- a. On each synthesized sweeper, increase the power level by 5 dB.  
Distortion products should now be visible at this higher power level.
  - b. On the spectrum analyzer, press **(MKR →)**, More 1 of 2 , then Peak Menu.
  - c. Repeatedly press NEXT PEAK until the active marker is on one of the distortion products.
  - d. On each synthesized sweeper, reduce the power level by 5 dB and wait for completion of a new sweep.
  - e. Record the MKR A amplitude reading as TR Entry 13-5 of the performance verification test record. The MKR A reading should be less than the specified limit.

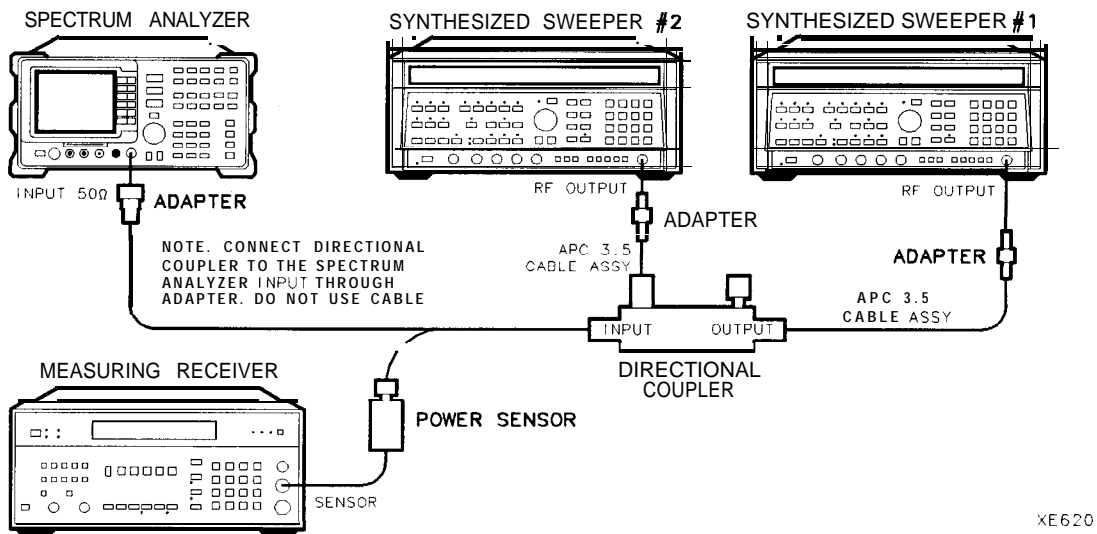
## 14. Gain Compression

This test measures gain compression in both low band and high band. Two signals, separated by 3 MHz, are used. First, the test places a -30 dBm signal at the input of the spectrum analyzer (the analyzer's reference level is also set to -30 dBm). Then, a 0 dBm signal is applied to the analyzer, overdriving its input. The decrease in the first signal's amplitude (gain compression) caused by the second signal is the measured gain compression.

There are no related adjustment procedures for this performance verification test.

### Equipment Required

- Synthesized sweeper (2 required)
- Measuring receiver (used as a power meter)
- Power sensor
- Directional coupler
- Adapter, Type N (m) to APC 3.5 (m)
- Adapter, APC 3.5 (f) to APC 3.5 (f) (2 required)
- Cable, APC 3.5, 91 cm (36 in) (2 required)



**Figure 1-21. Gain Compression Test Setup**

### Procedure

#### Gain Compression < 2.9 GHz

1. Zero and calibrate the measuring receiver and power sensor combination in log mode (power reads out in dBm). Enter the power sensor's 2 GHz Cal Factor into the measuring receiver.
2. Connect the equipment as shown in Figure 1-21, with the output of the directional coupler connected to the power sensor.
3. Press INSTRUMENT PRESET on each synthesized sweeper then set synthesized sweeper #1 controls as follows:

CW .....	2.003 GHz
POWER LEVEL .....	0 dBm

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- Set synthesized sweeper #2 controls as follows:

CW .....2.0 GHz  
POWERLEVEL ..... -14 dBm

- On the spectrum analyzer, press **PRESET** and wait for the preset to finish. Set the controls as follows:

**FREQUENCY** 2.0 **GHz**  
**SPAN** 20 **MHz**  
**AMPLITUDE** 30 **-dBm**  
SCALE LOG LIN (LOG) 1 **dB**  
**BW** 300 **kHz**  
VID BW AUTO MAN 1 **kHz**

- On synthesized sweeper #1, adjust the power level for a 0 dBm reading on the measuring receiver and set RF to OFF

It should be noted that the power level applied to the spectrum analyzer input is 10 dB greater than the specification to account for the 10 dB attenuator setting. A power level of 0 dBm at the spectrum analyzer input yields -10 dBm at the input mixer.

- Disconnect the power sensor from the directional coupler and connect the directional coupler to the INPUT 50  $\Omega$  connector of the spectrum analyzer using an adapter. Do not use a cable.

- On the spectrum analyzer, press the following keys:

**PEAK SEARCH**  
**MKR FCTN** MK TRACK ON OFF (ON)  
**SPAN** 12 **MHz**

Wait for the AUTO ZOOM message to disappear.

- On synthesized sweeper #2, adjust the power level to place the signal 1 dB below the spectrum analyzer's reference level.
- On the spectrum analyzer, press **PEAK SEARCH** then **MARKER**  $\Delta$  .
- On synthesized sweeper #1, set RF to ON.
- On the spectrum analyzer, press **PEAK SEARCH** then **NEXT PEAK** . The active marker should be on the lower amplitude signal and not on the signal that is off the top of the screen. If it is not on the lower amplitude signal, reposition the marker to this peak using the spectrum analyzer knob.
- Read the MKR A amplitude and record the amplitude as TR Entry 14-1 of the performance verification test record. The absolute value of this amplitude should be less than or equal to 0.5 dB.

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### Gain Compression > 2.9 GHz

14. Disconnect the directional coupler from the input to the spectrum analyzer and connect the directional coupler to the power sensor.

15. Set the spectrum analyzer controls as follows:

**FREQUENCY** 4.0 **GHz**

**SPAN** 20 **MHz**

**MKR** More 1 of 2 MARKER ALL OFF

16. Set synthesized sweeper #1 controls as follows:

CW ..... 4.003 GHz

POWER LEVEL ..... 2 dBm

17. Set synthesized sweeper #2 controls as follows:

CW ..... 4.0 GHz

POWER LEVEL ..... -14 dBm

18. Enter the power sensor's 4 GHz Cal Factor into the measuring receiver.

19. Adjust synthesized sweeper #1 power level for a 0 dBm reading on the measuring receiver and set RF to OFF.

20. Disconnect the power sensor from the directional coupler and connect the directional coupler to the input of the spectrum analyzer using an adapter. Do not use a cable.

21. On the spectrum analyzer, press the following keys:

**PEAK SEARCH**

**MKR FCTN** MK TRACK ON OFF (ON)

Wait for the signal to be centered on screen. Press (**AMPLITUDE**) then **PRESEL PEAK** and wait for the CAL : PEAKING message to disappear.

Press (**SPAN**) and enter 10 [MHz]. Wait for the AUTO ZOOM message to disappear.

22. On synthesized sweeper #2, adjust the power level to place the signal 1 dB below the spectrum analyzer reference level.

23. On the spectrum analyzer, press **PEAK SEARCH** then **MARKER Δ**.

24. Set synthesized sweeper #1 RF to ON.

25. On the spectrum analyzer, press **PEAK SEARCH** then **NEXT PEAK**. The active marker should be on the lower amplitude signal and not on the signal that is off the top of the screen. If it is not on the lower amplitude signal, reposition the marker to this peak using the spectrum analyzer knob.

26. Read the MKR A amplitude and record the amplitude as TR Entry 14-2 of the performance verification test record. The absolute value of this amplitude should be less than or equal to 0.5 dB.

## 15. Displayed Average Noise

This test measures the displayed average noise level in all five frequency bands. The analyzer's input is terminated in 50  $\Omega$ . In Band 0 (9 kHz to 2.9 GHz), the test first measures the average noise at 400 kHz and 1 MHz in zero span. The LO feedthrough is used as a frequency reference for these measurements. For the rest of Band 0 and for all of the remaining bands, the test tunes the analyzer frequency across the band, uses the marker to locate the frequency with the highest response, and then reads the average noise in zero span.

To reduce measurement uncertainty due to input attenuator switching and resolution bandwidth switching, a reference level offset is added. The CAL OUT signal is used as the amplitude reference for determining the amount of offset required. The offset is removed at the end of the test by pressing (PRESET).

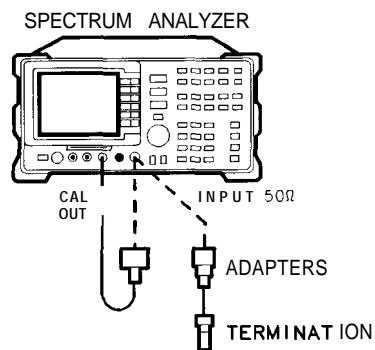
There are no related adjustments for this performance verification test.

### Equipment Required

- Cable, BNC, 23 cm (9 in)
- Termination, 50  $\Omega$
- Adapter, Type N (m) to BNC (f)
- Adapter, Type N (m) to APC 3.5 (f)

### Additional Equipment for Option 026

- Adapter, APC 3.5 (f) to APC 3.5 (f)
- Adapter, BNC (m) to SMA (f)
- Cable, Cal Comb



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**Figure 1-22. Displayed Average Noise Level Test Setup**

### Procedure

1. Connect a cable from the CAL OUT to the INPUT 50  $\Omega$  of the spectrum analyzer as shown in Figure 1-22.

*Option 026 only:* Use the BNC to SMA adapter to connect the cal comb cable to CAL OUT. Use the APC 3.5 adapter to connect the cal cable to the INPUT 50  $\Omega$ .

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2. Press **PRESET** on the spectrum analyzer, then wait for the preset routine to finish. Set the spectrum analyzer by pressing the following keys:

**FREQUENCY** 300 **MHz**  
**SPAN** 12 **MHz**  
**(AMPLITUDE)** -20 **dBm**  
**ATTEN AUTO MAN** 0 **dB**

3. Press the following spectrum analyzer keys:

**PEAK SEARCH**  
**MKR FCTN** MK TRACK ON OFF (ON)  
**SPAN** 100 **kHz**

Wait for the AUTO ZOOM message to disappear, then press the following keys:

**BW** VID BW AUTO MAN 30 **Hz**  
**MKR FCTN** MK TRACK ON OFF (OFF)

4. Press **SGL SWP**, then wait for the completion of a new sweep. Press the following spectrum analyzer keys:

**PEAK SEARCH**  
**AMPLITUDE** More 1 of 3 REF LVL OFFSET

Subtract the MKR amplitude reading from -20 dBm and enter the result as the REF LVL OFFSET. For example, if the marker reads -20.21 dBm, enter +0.21 dB (-20 dBm - (-20.21 dBm) = +0.21 dB).

REF LVL OFFSET \_\_\_\_\_ dB

5. Disconnect the cable from the INPUT 50  $\Omega$  connector of the spectrum analyzer. Connect the 50  $\Omega$  termination to the spectrum analyzer INPUT 50  $\Omega$  connector.

## 400 kHz

6. Press the following spectrum analyzer keys:

**BW** VID BW AUTO MAN (AUTO)  
**FREQUENCY** 0 **Hz**  
**SPAN** 12 **MHz**  
**AMPLITUDE** REF LVL - 10 **dBm**  
(TRIG) SWEEP CONT SGL (CONT)

7. Press the following spectrum analyzer keys:

**PEAK SEARCH**  
**MKR FCTN** MK TRACK ON OFF (ON)  
(SPAN) 800 **kHz**

Wait for the AUTO ZOOM message to disappear, then press the following spectrum analyzer keys:

**MKR FCTN** MK TRACK ON OFF (OFF)  
**BW** 3 **kHz**

## 15. Displayed Average Noise

8. Press **FREQUENCY** and adjust the center frequency until the LO feedthrough peak is on the leftmost graticule line. Set the spectrum analyzer by pressing the following keys:

(SPAN) 50 (kHz)  
**AMPLITUDE** REF LVL -50 (dBm)  
**BW** RES BW AUTO MAN 1 (kHz)  
VID BW AUTO MAN 30 (Hz)  
**SWEEP** SWP TIME AUTO MAN 5 (sec)  
**TRACE** More 1 of 3 DETECTOR SMP PK (SMP)  
**SGL SWP**

Wait for the completion of a new sweep.

9. Press the following spectrum analyzer keys:

**DISPLAY** DSP LINE ON OFF (ON)

Adjust the display line so that it is centered on the average trace noise, ignoring any residual responses. Refer to the Residual Responses verification test for any suspect residuals.

10. Record the display line amplitude setting as TR Entry 15-1 of the performance verification test record as the noise level at 400 kHz. The average noise level should be less than the specified limit.

## 1 MHz

11. Set the spectrum analyzer by pressing the following keys:

**AUTO COUPLE**] RES BW AUTO MAN (AUTO)  
VID BW AUTO MAN (AUTO)  
**FREQUENCY** 0 (Hz)  
**SPAN** 12 (MHz)  
**AMPLITUDE** REF LVL - 10 (dBm)  
(TRIG) SWEEP CONT SGL (CONT)

12. Press the following spectrum analyzer keys:

**PEAK SEARCH**] ]  
**MKR FCTN** MK TRACK ON OFF (ON)  
**SPAN** 2 (MHz)

Wait for the AUTO ZOOM message to disappear, then press **MKR FCTN** and MK TRACK ON OFF (OFF).

13. Press **FREQUENCY** and adjust the center frequency until the LO feedthrough peak is on the leftmost graticule line, then press the following spectrum analyzer keys:

(SPAN) 50 (kHz)  
**AMPLITUDE** REF LVL -50 (dBm)  
**BW** RES BW AUTO MAN 1 (kHz)  
VID BW AUTO MAN 30 (Hz)  
**SGL SWP**

Wait for the completion of a new sweep.

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14. Press the following spectrum analyzer keys:

**DISPLAY** DSP LINE ON OFF (ON)

Adjust the display line so that it is centered on the average trace noise, ignoring any residual responses. Refer to the Residual Responses verification test for any suspect residuals.

15. Record the display line amplitude setting as TR Entry 15-2 of the performance verification test record as the noise level at 1 MHz. The average noise level should be less than the specified limit.

## 1 MHz to 2.9 GHz

16. Press the following spectrum analyzer keys:

**FREQUENCY** Band Lock 0-2.9 Gz BAND 0

**FREQUENCY** START FREQ 1 **MHz**

STOP FREQ 2.9 **GHz**

**BW** RES BW AUTO MAN 1 (MHz)

VID BW AUTO MAN 10 **kHz**

**TRIG** SWEEP CONT SGL (CONT)

Adjust the START FREQ setting, if necessary, to place the LO feedthrough just off-screen to the left.

17. Press the following spectrum analyzer keys:

**SGL SWP**

**TRACE** CLEAR WRITE A More 1 of 3

VID AVG ON OFF (ON) 10 **Hz**

Wait until AVG 10 is displayed to the left of the graticule (the analyzer will take ten sweeps, then stop).

18. Press **PEAK SEARCH** and record the MKR frequency as the Measurement Frequency in the appropriate band under test in Table 1-21.

19. Press the following spectrum analyzer keys:

**TRACE** More 1 of 3 VID AVG (OFF)

**AUTO COUPLE** RES BW AUTO MAN (AUTO)

VID BW AUTO MAN (AUTO)

**SPAN** 50 **kHz**

**FREQUENCY**

Set CENTER FREQ to the Measurement Frequency recorded in Table 1-21 in the previous step, then press the following keys:

**BW** RES BW AUTO MAN 1 **kHz**

VID BW AUTO MAN 30 **Hz**



## 15. Displayed Average Noise

20. Press **[SGL SWP]** on the spectrum analyzer, then wait for a new sweep to finish. Press the following spectrum analyzer keys:

**[DISPLAY]** DSP LINE ON OFF (ON)

Adjust the display line so that it is centered on the average noise trace, ignoring any residual responses. Refer to Residual Response verification test for any suspected residuals.

Record the display line amplitude setting in the performance verification test record as indicated in Table 1-21. The average noise level should be less than the specified limit.

21. Press **[MKR]** then MARKER 1 ON OFF (OFF) to turn the markers off.

### 2.75 to 6.5 GHz

22. Press the following spectrum analyzer keys:

**[FREQUENCY]** Band Lock 2.75-6.5 BAND 1

**[BW]** RES BW AUTO MAN 1 **[MHz]**

VID BW AUTO MAN 10 **[kHz]**

**[TRIG]** SWEEP CONT SGL (CONT)

23. Repeat steps 17 through 21 above for Band 1 (2.75 to 6.5 GHz).

### 6.0 to 12.8GHz

24. Press the followings spectrum analyzer keys:

**[FREQUENCY]** Band Lock 6.0-12.8 BAND 2

**[BW]** RES BW AUTO MAN 1 **[MHz]**

VID BW AUTO MAN 10 **[kHz]**

(TRIG) SWEEP CONT SGL (CONT)

25. Repeat steps 17 through 21 above for Band 2 (6.0 to 12.8 GHz).

### 12.4 to 19.4GHz

26. Press the following spectrum analyzer keys:

**[FREQUENCY]** Band Lock 12.4-19. BAND 3

**[BW]** RES BW AUTO MAN 1 (MHz)

VID BW AUTO MAN 10 **[kHz]**

**[TRIG]** SWEEP CONT SGL (CONT)

27. Repeat steps 17 through 21 above for Band 3 (12.4 to 19.4 GHz).

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### 19.1 to 22GHz

28. Press the following spectrum analyzer keys:

**[FREQUENCY]** Band Lock 19.1-22 BAND 4

*Option 026 or 027 only:* Press **[FREQUENCY]**, **START FREQ** , 19.1 **[GHz]**, **STOP FREQ** , 22 **[GHz]**.

**[BW]** RES BW AUTO MAN 1 **[MHz]**

VID BW AUTO MAN 10 **[kHz]**

**[TRIG]** SWEEP CONT SGL (CONT)

29. Repeat steps 17 through 21 above for Band 4.

### 22 GHz to 26.5 GHz (Option 026 or 027)

30. Press the following spectrum analyzer keys:

**[FREQUENCY]** Band Lock 19.1-22 BAND 4

**[FREQUENCY]** **START FREQ** 22 **[GHz]**

**STOP FREQ** 26.5 **[GHz]**

31. Set the spectrum analyzer by pressing the following keys:

**[BW]** RES BW AUTO MAN 1 **[MHz]**

VID BW AUTO MAN 10 **[kHz]**

**[TRIG]** SWEEP CONT SGL (CONT)

32. Repeat steps 17 through 21 for frequencies from 22 to 26.5 GHz.

33. Press **[PRESET]** on the spectrum analyzer, then wait for the preset routine to finish.

**Table 1-21. Displayed Average Noise Level Worksheet**

Frequency Range	Measurement Frequency	Displayed Average Noise Level TR Entry	Specification (dBm)
400 kHz	400 kHz	15-1	-112 dBm
1MHz	1 MHz	15-2	-112 dBm
1 MHz to 2.9 GHz		15-3	-112 dBm
2.75 to 6.5 GHz		15-4	-114 dBm
6.0 to 12.8 GHz		15-5	-102 dBm
12.4 to 19.4 GHz		15-6	-98 dBm
19.1 to 22 GHz		15-7	-92 dBm
19.1 to 26.5 GHz <sup>1</sup>		15-8	-87 dBm

<sup>1</sup> Option 026 or 027 only

## 16. Residual Responses

The spectrum analyzer input is terminated and the spectrum analyzer is swept from 150 kHz to 5 MHz. Then the spectrum analyzer is swept in 10 MHz spans throughout the 5 MHz to 6.5 GHz range. Any responses above the specification are noted.

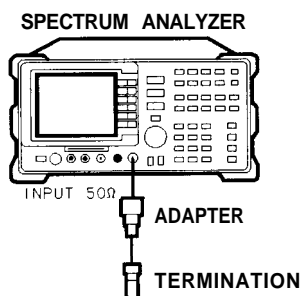
There are no related adjustment procedures for this performance verification test.

### Equipment Required

Termination, 50  $\Omega$   
Adapter, Type N (m) to APC 3.5 (f)

### Additional Equipment for Option 026

Adapter, APC 3.5 (f) to APC (f)



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**Figure 1-23. Residual Response Test Setup**

### Procedure

#### 150 kHz to 5 MHz

1. Connect the termination to the spectrum analyzer input as shown in Figure 1-23.
2. Press **[PRESET]** on the spectrum analyzer, then wait for the preset routine to finish. Press the following spectrum analyzer keys:

**[FREQUENCY]** Band Lock 0-2.9 GHz BAND 0

**[PEAK SEARCH]**

**[MKR FCTN]** MK TRACK **ON** OFF (ON)

**[SPAN]** 6 **[MHz]**

Wait for the AUTO ZOOM message to disappear, then press **[MKR FCTN]** and MK TRACK **ON** OFF (OFF).

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3. Press **[FREQUENCY]**, then adjust the center frequency until the LO feedthrough peak is on the leftmost vertical graticule line. Set the spectrum analyzer by pressing the following keys:

**[PEAK SEARCH]**

**[MKR] MARKER A 150 [kHz]**

MARKER NORMAL

**[AMPLITUDE] REF LVL -60 [dBm]**

**ATTEN AUTO MAN 0 [dB]**

**[BW] RES BW AUTO MAN 3 [kHz]**

VID BW AUTO MAN 1 [kHz]

**[DISPLAY] DSP LINE ON OFF (ON) -90 [dBm]**

4. Press **[SGL SWP]** and wait for a new sweep to finish. Look for any residual responses at or above the display line, to the right of the marker.

If a residual is suspected, press **[SGL SWP]** again. A residual response will persist on successive sweeps, but a noise peak will not. Note the frequency and amplitude of any residual responses above the display line and to the right of the marker in [Table 1-22](#).

## 5 MHz to 2.75 GHz

5. Press **[PRESET]** on the spectrum analyzer, then wait for the preset routine to finish. Press the following keys:

**[FREQUENCY] Band Lock 0-2.9 Gz BAND 0**

**[FREQUENCY] 10 [MHz]**

**[SPAN] 12 [MHz]**

**[FREQUENCY] CF STEP AUTO MAN 9.8 (MHz)**

**[AMPLITUDE] REF LVL -60 [dBm]**

**ATTEN AUTO MAN 0 [dBm]**

**[BW] RES BW AUTO MAN 10 [kHz]**

VID BW AUTO MAN 3 [kHz]

**[DISPLAY] DSP LINE ON OFF -90 [dBm]**

6. Press **[SGL SWP]** and wait for a new sweep to finish. Look for any residual responses at or above the display line.

If a residual is suspected, press **[SGL SWP]** again. A residual response will persist on successive sweeps, but a noise peak will not. Note the frequency and amplitude of any residual responses above the display line in [Table 1-22](#).

7. Press **[FREQUENCY]**, **[↑]** (step-up key), to step to the next frequency and repeat step 6.
8. Repeat step 7 until the range from 5 MHz to 2.9 GHz has been checked. (This requires 295 additional frequency steps.)

**2.75 GHz to 6.5 GHz**

9. Press the following spectrum analyzer keys:

[FREQUENCY] Band Lock 2.75-6.5 BAND 1

[FREQUENCY] 2755 [MHz]

[DISPLAY] DSP LINE ON OFF -90 [dBm]

[SPAN] 12 [MHz]

[BW] RES BW AUTO MAN 10 [kHz]

VID BW AUTO MAN 3 [kHz]

10. Press [SGL SWP] and wait for a new sweep to finish. Look for any residual responses at or above the display line.

If a residual is suspected, press [SGL SWP] again. A residual response will persist on successive sweeps, but a noise peak will not. Note the frequency and amplitude of any residual responses above the display line in Table 1-22.

11. Press [FREQUENCY], [↑] (step-up key), to step to the next frequency and repeat step 10.

12. Repeat step 11 until the range from 2.75 GHz to 6.5 GHz has been checked. (This requires 372 additional frequency steps.)

13. Record the highest residual from Table 1-22 as TR Entry 16-1 in the performance verification test record. If no residuals are found, then record "N/A" in the performance verification test record.

**Table 1-22. Residual Responses above Display Line Worksheet**

Frequency (MHz)	Amplitude (dBm)
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

## **16. Residual Responses**

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# Performance Verification Test Record

**Table 1-23. Performance Verification Test Record**

Hewlett-Packard Company	
Address : _____	Report No. _____
_____	Date _____
_____	(e.g. 10 SEP 1989)
Model HP 8592D	
Serial No. _____	
Options _____	
Firmware Revision _____	
Customer _____	Tested by _____
Ambient temperature _____ °C	Relative humidity _____ %
Power mains line frequency _____ Hz (nominal)	
<b>Test Equipment Used:</b>	
<b>Description</b>	<b>Model No.</b>
<b>Trace No.</b>	<b>Cal Due Date</b>
Digital Voltmeter	_____
Low Pass Filter, 50 MHz	_____
Low Pass Filter, 300 MHz	_____
Measuring Receiver	_____
Microwave Frequency Counter	_____
Power Meter	_____
Power Sensor, 100 kHz to 1800 MHz	_____
Power Sensor, 50 MHz to 26.5 GHz	_____
Power Sensor, Low Power	_____
Signal Generator	_____
Synthesized Sweeper	_____
Synthesizer/Function Generator	_____
Synthesizer/Level Generator	_____
Power Splitter	_____
50Ω Termination	_____
Microwave Spectrum Analyzer	_____
Notes/Comments:	

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Hewlett-Packard Company Model HP 8592D	Report No. _____
Serial No. _____	Date _____

Test Description	Results Measured			Measurement Uncertainty
	Min.	(TR Entry)	Max.	
<b>1. Comb Generator Frequency Accuracy</b>  Comb Generator Frequency	_____ Frequency (MHz)			
	99.993	(1-1) _____	100.007	
<b>2. Frequency Readout Accuracy</b> Frequency Readout Accuracy Frequency = 10.0 MHz SPAN 10 MHz 1 MHz Frequency = 50.0 MHz 10 MHz Frequency = 100.0 MHz 10 MHz Frequency = 500.0 MHz 10 MHz Frequency = 1.0 GHz 10 MHz Frequency = 2.0 GHz 10 MHz Frequency = 4.0 GHz 20 MHz 10 MHz 1 MHz Frequency = 9.0 GHz 20 MHz 10 MHz 1 MHz Frequency = 16.0 GHz 20 MHz 10 MHz 1 MHz Frequency = 21.0 GHz 20 MHz 10 MHz 1 MHz	_____ Frequency			
	4.80 MHz	(2-1) _____	15.20 MHz	±2.5 Hz
	4.98 MHz	(2-2) _____	15.02 MHz	±2.5 Hz
	44.80 MHz	(2-3) _____	55.21 MHz	±12.5 Hz
	94.79 MHz	(2-4) _____	105.21 MHz	± 25 Hz
	494.75 MHz	(2-5) _____	505.25 MHz	±125 Hz
	994.70 MHz	(2-6) _____	1005.30 MHz	±250 Hz
	1.9946 GHz	(2-7) _____	2.0054 GHz	±500 Hz
	3.99420 GHz	(2-8) _____	4.00580 GHz	±1 kHz
	3.99440 GHz	(2-9) _____	4.00560 GHz	±1 kHz
	3.994580 GHz	(2-10) _____	4.005420 GHz	±1 kHz
	8.98870 GHz	(2-11) _____	9.01130 GHz	±2.25 kHz
	8.98890 GHz	(2-12) _____	9.01110 GHz	±2.25 kHz
	8.989080 GHz	(2-13) _____	9.01092 GHz	±2.25 kHz
	15.98300 GHz	(2-14) _____	16.01700 GHz	±4 kHz
	15.98320 GHz	(2-15) _____	16.01680 GHz	±4 kHz
	15.983380 GHz	(2-16) _____	16.016620 GHz	±4 kHz
	20.9775 GHz	(2-17) _____	21.0225 GHz	±5.25 kHz
	20.9777 GHz	(2-18) _____	21.02230 GHz	±5.25 kHz
	20.97788 GHz	(2-19) _____	21.022120 GHz	±5.25 kHz



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Hewlett-Packard Company Model HP 8592D  Serial No. _____	Report No. _____  Date _____
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Test Description	Results Measured			Measurement Uncertainty
	Min.	(TR Entry)	Max.	
<b>3. Noise Sidebands</b> Suppression at 30 kHz		(3-1) _____	-65 dBc	±1.0 dB
<b>4. System Related Sidebands</b> Sideband Below Signal Sideband Above Signal		(4-1) _____ (4-2) _____	-65 dBc -65 dBc	±1.0 dB ±1.0 dB
<b>5. Frequency Span Readout Accuracy</b>  SPAN	MKRA Reading _____			
1800 MHz	1446.00 MHz	(5-1) _____	1554.00 MHz	±6.37 MHz
10.10 MHz	7.70 MHz	(5-2) _____	8.30 MHz	±35.4 kHz
10.00 MHz	7.80 MHz	(5-3) _____	8.20 MHz	±35.4 kHz
100.00 kHz	78.00 kHz	(5-4) _____	82.00 kHz	±354 Hz
99.00 kHz	78.00 kHz	(5-5) _____	82.00 kHz	±3.54 kHz
<b>6. Sweep Time Accuracy</b>  SWEEP TIME	MKRA Reading _____			
20 ms	15.4 ms	(6-1) _____	16.6 ms	±0.057 ms
100 ms	77.0 ms	(6-2) _____	83.0 ms	±0.283 ms
1 s	770.0 ms	(6-3) _____	830.0 ms	±2.83 ms
10 s	7.7 s	(6-4) _____	8.3 s	±23.8 ms
<b>7. Scale Fidelity</b>  Log Mode dB from Ref Level	Cumulative Error _____			
0	0 (Ref)	0 (Ref)	0 (Ref)	
-4	-4.44 dB	(7-1) _____	-3.56 dB	±0.06 dB
-8	-8.48 dB	(7-2) _____	-7.52 dB	±0.06 dB
-22	-12.52 dB	(7-3) _____	-11.48 dB	±0.06 dB
-16	-16.56 dB	(7-4) _____	-15.44 dB	±0.06 dB
-20	-20.60 dB	(7-5) _____	-19.40 dB	±0.06 dB
-24	-24.64 dB	(7-6) _____	-23.36 dB	±0.06 dB
-28	-28.68 dB	(7-7) _____	-27.32 dB	±0.06 dB
-32	-32.72 dB	(7-8) _____	-31.28 dB	±0.06 dB
-36	-36.76 dB	(7-9) _____	-35.24 dB	±0.06 dB
-40	-40.80 dB	(7-10) _____	-39.20 dB	±0.06 dB

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Hewlett-Packard Company Model HP 8592D  Serial No. _____	Report No. _____  Date _____
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Test Description	Results Measured			Measurement Uncertainty
	Min.	(TR Entry)	Max.	
<b>7. Scale Fidelity (continued)</b>	Cumulative Error			
Log Mode				
dB from Ref Level				
-44	-44.84 dB	(7-11) _____	-43.16 dB	±0.06 dB
-48	-48.88 dB	(7-12) _____	-47.12 dB	±0.06 dB
-52	-52.92 dB	(7-13) _____	-51.08 dB	±0.06 dB
-56	-56.96 dB	(7-14) _____	-55.04 dB	±0.06 dB
-60	-61.00 dB	(7-15) _____	-59.00 dB	±0.11 dB
-64	-65.04 dB	(7-16) _____	-62.96 dB	±0.11 dB
-68	-69.08 dB	(7-17) _____	-66.92 dB	±0.11 dB
Log Mode	Incremental Error			
dB from Ref Level				
0	0 (Ref)	0 (Ref)	0 (Ref)	
-4	-0.4 dB	(7-18) _____	+0.4 dB	±0.06 dB
-8	-0.4 dB	(7-19) _____	+0.4 dB	±0.06 dB
-22	-0.4 dB	(7-20) _____	+0.4 dB	±0.06 dB
-16	-0.4 dB	(7-21) _____	+0.4 dB	±0.06 dB
-20	-0.4 dB	(7-22) _____	+0.4 dB	±0.06 dB
-24	-0.4 dB	(7-23) _____	+0.4 dB	±0.06 dB
-28	-0.4 dB	(7-24) _____	+0.4 dB	±0.06 dB
-32	-0.4 dB	(7-25) _____	+0.4 dB	±0.06 dB
-36	-0.4 dB	(7-26) _____	+0.4 dB	±0.06 dB
-40	-0.4 dB	(7-27) _____	+0.4 dB	±0.06 dB
-44	-0.4 dB	(7-28) _____	+0.4 dB	±0.06 dB
-48	-0.4 dB	(7-29) _____	+0.4 dB	±0.06 dB
-52	-0.4 dB	(7-30) _____	+0.4 dB	±0.06 dB
-56	-0.4 dB	(7-31) _____	+0.4 dB	±0.06 dB
-60	-0.4 dB	(7-32) _____	+0.4 dB	±0.11
Linear Mode				
% of Ref Level				
100.00	0 (Ref)	0 (Ref)	0 (Ref)	
70.70	151.59 mV	(7-33) _____	165.01 mV	±1.84 mV
50.00	105.36 mV	(7-34) _____	118.78 mV	±1.84 mV
35.48	72.63 mV	(7-35) _____	86.05 mV	±1.84 mV
25.00	49.46 mV	(7-36) _____	82.88 mV	±1.84 mV
Log-to-Linear Switching	-0.25 dB	(7-37) _____	+0.25 dB	±0.05 dB

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Test Description	Results Measured			Measurement Uncertainty
	Min.	(TR Entry)	Max.	
<b>8. Reference Level Accuracy</b>				
Log Mode				
<b>Reference Level (dBm)</b>				
-20	0 (Ref)	0 (Ref)	0 (Ref)	
-10	-0.40 dB	(8-1) _____	+0.40 dB	±0.06 dB
0	-0.50 dB	(8-2) _____	+0.50 dB	±0.06 dB
-30	-0.40 dB	(8-3) _____	+0.40 dB	±0.06 dB
-40	-0.50 dB	(8-4) _____	+0.50 dB	±0.08 dB
-50	-0.80 dB	(8-5) _____	+0.80 dB	±0.08 dB
-60	-1.00 dB	(8-6) _____	+1.00 dB	±0.12 dB
-70	-1.10 dB	(8-7) _____	+1.10 dB	±0.12 dB
-80	-1.20 dB	(8-8) _____	+1.20 dB	±0.12 dB
-90	-1.30 dB	(8-9) _____	+1.30 dB	±0.12 dB
Linear Mode				
<b>Reference Level (dBm)</b>				
-20	0 (Ref)	0 (Ref)	0 (Ref)	
-10	-0.40 dB	(8-10) _____	+0.40 dB	±0.06 dB
0	-0.50 dB	(8-11) _____	+0.50 dB	±0.06 dB
-30	-0.40 dB	(8-12) _____	+0.40 dB	±0.06 dB
-40	-0.50 dB	(8-13) _____	+0.50 dB	±0.08 dB
-50	-0.80 dB	(8-14) _____	+0.80 dB	±0.08 dB
-60	-1.00 dB	(8-15) _____	+1.00 dB	±0.12 dB
-70	-1.10 dB	(8-16) _____	+1.10 dB	±0.12 dB
-80	-1.20 dB	(8-17) _____	+1.20 dB	±0.12 dB
-90	-1.30 dB	(8-18) _____	+1.30 dB	±0.12 dB
<b>9. Absolute Amplitude Calibration and Resolution Bandwidth Switching Uncertainties</b>				
Absolute Amplitude Uncertainty	-20.15 dB	(9-1) _____	-19.85 dB	N/A
Resolution Bandwidth Switching Uncertainty				
<b>Resolution Bandwidth</b>				
3 kHz	0 (Ref)	0 (Ref)	0 (Ref)	
1 kHz	-0.5 dB	(9-2) _____	+0.5 dB	+0.07/-0.08 dB
9 kHz	-0.4 dB	(9-3) _____	+0.4 dB	+0.07/-0.08 dB
10 kHz	-0.4 dB	(9-4) _____	+0.4 dB	+0.07/-0.08 dB
30 kHz	-0.4 dB	(9-5) _____	+0.4 dB	+0.07/-0.08 dB
100 kHz	-0.4 dB	(9-6) _____	+0.4 dB	+0.07/-0.08 dB

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Hewlett-Packard Company Model HP 8592D	Report No. _____
Serial No. _____	Date _____

Test Description	Min.	Results Measured (TR Entry)	Max.	Measurement Uncertainty
<b>9. Absolute Amplitude Calibration and Resolution Bandwidth Switching Uncertainties (continued)</b>				
<b>Resolution Bandwidth</b>				
120 kHz	-0.4 dB	(9-7) _____	+ 0.4 dB	+ 0.07/-0.08 dB
300 kHz	-0.4 dB	(9-8) _____	+ 0.4 dB	+ 0.07/-0.08 dB
1 MHz	-0.4 dB	(9-9) _____	+ 0.4 dB	+ 0.07/-0.08 dB
3 MHz	-0.4 dB	(9-10) _____	+ 0.4 dB	+ 0.07/-0.08 dB
<b>10. Calibrator Amplitude Accuracy</b>				
Amplitude	-20.4 dBm	(10-1) _____	-19.6 dBm	+0.2dB
Frequency	299.97 MHz	(10-2) _____	300.03 MHz	±30 kHz
<b>11. Frequency Response</b>				
Band 0				
Max. Positive Response		(11-1) _____	+ 1.5 dB	+ 0.32/-0.33 dB
Max. Negative Response	-1.5 dB	(11-2) _____		+ 0.32/-0.33 dB
Peak-to-Peak Response		(11-3) _____	2.0 dB	+ 0.32/-0.33 dB
Band 1				
Max. Positive Response		(11-4) _____	+ 2.0 dB	+ 0.40/-0.42 dB
Max. Negative Response	-2.0 dB	(11-5) _____		+ 0.40/-0.42 dB
Peak-to-Peak Response		(11-6) _____	3.0 dB	+ 0.40/-0.42 dB
Band 2				
Max. Positive Response		(11-7) _____	+ 2.5 dB	+ 0.42/-0.43 dB
Max. Negative Response	-2.5 dB	(11-8) _____		+ 0.42/-0.43 dB
Peak-to-Peak Response		(11-9) _____	4.0 dB	+ 0.42/-0.43 dB
Band 3				
Max. Positive Response		(11-10) _____	+ 3.0 dB	+ 0.52/-0.55 dB
Max. Negative Response	-3.0 dB	(11-11) _____		+ 0.52/-0.55 dB
Peak-to-Peak Response		(11-12) _____	15.0 dB	+ 0.52/-0.55 dB
Band 4				
Max. Positive Response		(11-13) _____	+ 3.0 dB	+ 0.54/-0.57 dB
Max. Negative Response	-3.0 dB	(11-14) _____		+ 0.54/-0.57 dB
Peak-to-Peak Response		(11-15) _____	4.0 dB	+ 0.54/-0.57 dB
Band 4 for Option 026 or 027				
Max. Positive Response		(11-13) _____	+ 5.0 dB	+ 0.54/-0.57 dB
Max. Negative Response	-5.0 dB	(11-14) _____		+ 0.54/-0.57 dB
Peak-to-Peak Response		(11-15) _____	4.0 dB	+ 0.54/-0.57 dB

## Performance Verification Test Record (page 7 of 7)

Hewlett-Packard Company Model HP 8592D	Report No. _____
Serial No. _____	Date _____

Test Description	Min.	Results Measured (TR Entry)	Max.	Measurement Uncertainty
<b>2. Other Input Related Spurious Responses</b> 50 kHz to 2.9 GHz ≤ 18 GHz ≤ 22 GHz <b>Option 026 or 027 only:</b> ≤ 26.5 GHz		(12-1) _____ (12-2) _____ (12-3) _____ (12-3) _____	-55 dBc -55 dBc -50 dBc -50 dBc	+1.12/-1.21 dB +1.13/-1.22 dB +1.15/-1.25 dB +1.15/-1.25 dB
<b>3. Spurious Responses</b> Second Harmonic Distortion, <2.9 GHz Second Harmonic Distortion, >2.9 GHz Third Order Intermodulation Distortion, <2.9 GHz Third Order Intermodulation Distortion, >2.9 GHz		(13-1) _____ (13-2) _____ (13-3) _____ (13-4) _____ (13-5) _____	-45 dBc -45 dBc -45 dBc -54 dBc -54 dBc	+1.86/-2.27 dB +1.86/-2.27 dB +1.86/-2.27 dB +2.07/-2.42 dB +2.07/-2.42 dB
<b>14. Gain Compression</b> <2.9 GHz >2.9 GHz		(14-1) _____ (14-2) _____	0.5 dB 0.5 dB	+0.21/-0.22 dB +0.21/-0.22 dB
<b>i5. Displayed Average Noise</b> <b>Frequency</b> 400 kHz 1 MHz 1 MHz to 2.9 GHz 2.75 to 6.5 GHz 6.0 to 12.8 GHz 12.4 to 19.4 GHz 19.1 to 22 GHz <b>Option 026 or 027 only:</b> 19.1 to 26.5 GHz		(15-1) _____ (15-2) _____ (15-3) _____ (15-4) _____ (15-5) _____ (15-6) _____ (15-7) _____ (15-8) _____	-112 dBm -112 dBm -112 dBm -114 dBm -102 dBm -98 dBm -92 dBm -87 dBm	+1.15/-1.25 dB +1.15/-1.25 dB +1.15/-1.25 dB +1.15/-1.25 dB +1.15/-1.25 dB +1.15/-1.25 dB +1.15/-1.25 dB +1.15/-1.25 dB
<b>6. Residual Responses</b> 150 kHz to 6.5 GHz		(16-1) _____	-90 dBm	+1.09/-1.15 dB

## Specifications and Characteristics

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This chapter contains specifications and characteristics for the HP 8592D spectrum analyzer.

The specifications and characteristics in this chapter are listed separately. The specifications are described first, then followed by the characteristics.

<b>General</b>	General specifications and characteristics.
<b>Frequency</b>	Frequency-related specifications and characteristics.
<b>Amplitude</b>	Amplitude-related specifications and characteristics.
<b>Option</b>	Option-related specifications and characteristics.
<b>Physical</b>	Input, output and physical characteristics.

The distinction between specifications and characteristics is described as follows.

- Specifications describe warranted performance over the temperature range 0 °C to + 55 °C (unless otherwise noted). The spectrum analyzer will meet its specifications after 2 hours of storage at a constant temperature, within the operating temperature range, 30 minutes after the spectrum analyzer is turned on and after the CAL frequency, and CAL amplitude routines have been run.
- Characteristics provide useful, but nonwarranted information about the functions and performance of the spectrum analyzer. Characteristics are specifically identified.
- Typical Performance, where listed, is not warranted, but indicates performance that most units will exhibit.
- Nominal Value indicates the expected, but not warranted, value of the parameter.

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## General Specifications

All specifications apply over 0 °C to + 55 °C. The analyzer will meet its specifications after 2 hours of storage at a constant temperature, within the operating temperature range, 30 minutes after the analyzer is turned on and after CAL FREQ, CAL AMPTD and CAL YTF have been run.

<b>Temperature Range</b>	
Operating	0 °C to +55 °C
Storage	-40 °C to + 75 °C

<b>EMI Compatibility</b>	Conducted and radiated emission is in compliance with CISPR Pub. 11/1990 Group 1 Class A.
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<b>Audible Noise</b>	<37.5 dBA pressure and <5.0 Bels power (ISODP7779)
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<b>Power Requirements</b>	
ON (LINE 1)	90 to 132 V rms, 47 to 440 Hz 195 to 250 V rms, 47 to 66 Hz Power consumption <500 VA; < 180 W
Standby (LINE 0)	Power consumption <7 W

## Frequency Specifications

<b>Frequency Range</b>		9 kHz to 22.0 GHz
	<i>(Options 026 or 027)</i>	9 kHz to 26.5 GHz
<b>Band</b>	<b>LO Harmonic (N)</b>	
0	1 <sup>-</sup>	9 kHz to 2.9 GHz
1	1 <sup>-</sup>	2.75 GHz to 6.5 GHz
2	2 -	6.0 GHz to 12.8 GHz
3	3 -	12.4 GHz to 19.4 GHz
4	4 -	19.1 GHz to 22.0 GHz
<i>(Options 026 or 027)</i>		
4	4 -	19.1 GHz to 26.5 GHz

<b>Frequency Accuracy</b>		
Readout Accuracy		$\pm[(5 \times N^{\dagger\dagger}) \text{ MHz} + 0.01\% \text{ of center frequency} + 2\% \text{ of frequency span}]$
Resolution		Four digits
$\dagger\dagger$ N = LO harmonic. See "Frequency Range."		

<b>Frequency Span</b>		
Range		0 Hz (zero span), (50 kHz x N <sup>††</sup> ) to 19.25 GHz
	<i>(Options 026 or 027)</i>	0 Hz (zero span), (50 kHz x N <sup>††</sup> ) to 23.25 GHz
Resolution		Four digits
Accuracy (single band spans)		
Span $\leq 10$ MHz x N <sup>††</sup>		$\pm 5\%$ of span
Span $> 10$ MHz x N <sup>††</sup>		$\pm 3\%$ of span
$\dagger\dagger$ N = LO harmonic. See "Frequency Range."		

<b>Frequency Sweep Time</b>		
Range		20 ms to 100 s
Accuracy		$\pm 3\%$
Sweep Trigger		Free Run, Single, Line, Video, External

<b>Stability</b>		
Noise Sidebands		(1 kHz RBW, 30 Hz VBW and sample detector)
>30 kHz offset from CW signal		$\leq -95 \text{ dBc/Hz} + 20 \text{ Log } N^{\dagger\dagger}$
System-Related Sidebands		
>30 kHz offset from CW signal		$\leq -65 \text{ dBc} + 20 \text{ Log } N^{\dagger\dagger}$
$\dagger\dagger$ N = LO harmonic. See "Frequency Range."		

<b>Calibrator Output Frequency</b>		300 MHz fundamental frequency
Accuracy		$\pm 30$ kHz

<b>Comb Generator Frequency</b>		100 MHz fundamental frequency
Accuracy		$\pm 0.007\%$



# Amplitude Specifications

<b>Amplitude Range</b>	-114 dBm to +30 dBm
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<b>Maximum Safe Input Level</b>	
Average Continuous Power	+30 dBm (1 W, 7.1 V rms), input attenuation $\geq 10$ dB in bands 1 through 4.
Peak Pulse Power	+50 dBm (100 W) for $< 10 \mu\text{s}$ pulse width and $< 1\%$ duty cycle, input attenuation $\geq 30$ dB.
dc	0 Vdc

<b>Gain Compression</b>	
$> 10$ MHz	$\leq 0.5$ dB (total power at input mixer* = -10 dBm)

\* Mixer Power Level (dBm) = Input Power (dBm) – Input Attenuation (dB).

<b>Displayed Average Noise Level</b>	(Input terminated, 0 dB attenuation, 1 kHz RBW, 30 Hz VBW, sample detector)
<b>400 kHz to 2.9 GHz</b>	$\leq -112$ dBm
<b>2.75 GHz to 6.5 GHz</b>	$\leq -114$ dBm
<b>6.0 GHz to 12.8 GHz</b>	$\leq -102$ dBm
<b>12.4 GHz to 19.4 GHz</b>	$\leq -98$ dBm
<b>19.1 GHz to 22 GHz</b>	$\leq -92$ dBm
<b>19.1 GHz to 26.5 GHz (Options 026 or 027)</b>	$\leq -87$ dBm

<b>Spurious Responses</b>	
Second Harmonic Distortion	
10 MHz to 2.9 GHz	$< -70$ dBc for -40 dBm tone at input mixer.*
$> 2.75$ GHz	$< -100$ dBc for -10 dBm tone at input mixer* (or below displayed average noise level).
Third Order Intermodulation Distortion	
$> 10$ MHz	$< -70$ dBc for two -30 dBm tones at input mixer* and $> 50$ kHz separation.
Other Input Related Spurious	
9 kHz to 18 GHz	$< -65$ dBc at $\geq 30$ kHz offset, for -20 dBm tone at input mixer $\leq 18$ GHz.
18 GHz to 22 GHz	$< -60$ dBc at $\geq 30$ kHz, for -20 dBm tone at input mixer $\leq 22$ GHz.
* Mixer Power Level (dBm) = Input Power (dBm) – Input Attenuation (dB).	

<b>Residual Responses</b>	(Input terminated and 0 dB attenuation)
150 kHz to 2.9 GHz (Band 0)	$< -90$ dBm
2.75 GHz to 6.5 GHz (Band 1)	$< -90$ dBm

## Amplitude Specifications

<b>Display Range</b>	
Log Scale	0 to -70 dB from reference level is calibrated; 0.1, 0.2, 0.5 dB/division and 1 to 20 dB/division in 1 dB steps; eight divisions displayed.
Linear Scale	eight divisions
Scale Units	dBm, dBmV, dB $\mu$ V, V, and W

<b>Marker Readout Resolution</b>	0.05 dB for log scale 0.05% of reference level for linear scale
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<b>Reference Level</b>	
Range	
Log Scale	Minimum amplitude to maximum amplitude**
Linear Scale	-99 dBm to maximum amplitude**
Resolution	
Log Scale	$\pm 0.01$ dB
Linear Scale	$\pm 0.12\%$ of reference level
Accuracy	(referenced to -20 dBm reference level, 10 dB input attenuation, at a single frequency, in a fixed RBW)
0 dBm to -59.9 dBm	$\pm(0.3 \text{ dB} + .01 \times \text{dB from } -20 \text{ dBm})$
-60 dBm and below	$\pm(0.6 \text{ dB} + .01 \times \text{dB from } -20 \text{ dBm})$
** See "Amplitude Range."	

<b>Frequency Response</b>	(10 dB input attenuation)	
Preselector peaked in band > 0	<b>Absolute<sup>§</sup></b>	<b>Relative Flatness<sup>†</sup></b>
9 kHz to 2.9 GHz	$\pm 1.5$ dB	$\pm 1.0$ dB
2.75 GHz to 6.5 GHz	$\pm 2.0$ dB	$\pm 1.5$ dB
6.0 GHz to 12.8 GHz	$\pm 2.5$ dB	$\pm 2.0$ dB
12.4 GHz to 19.4 GHz	$\pm 3.0$ dB	$\pm 2.0$ dB
19.1 GHz to 22 GHz	$\pm 3.0$ dB	$\pm 2.0$ dB
19.1 GHz to 26.5 GHz ( <i>Options 026 and 027</i> )	$\pm 5.0$ dB	$\pm 2.0$ dB
† Referenced to midpoint between highest and lowest frequency response deviations.		
§ Referenced to 300 MHz CAL OUT.		

<b>Calibrator Output</b>	
Amplitude	-20 dBm $\pm 0.4$ dB

<b>Absolute Amplitude Calibration Uncertainty<sup>††</sup></b>	$\pm 0.15$ dB
†† Uncertainty in the measured absolute amplitude of the CAL OUT signal at the reference settings after CAL FREQ and CAL AMPTD self-calibration. Absolute amplitude reference settings are: Reference Level -20 dBm; Input Attenuation 10 dB; Center Frequency 300 MHz; Res BW 3 kHz; Video BW 300 Hz; Scale Linear; Span 50 kHz; Sweep Time Coupled, Top Graticule (reference level), Corrections ON.	

<b>Input Attenuator</b>	
Range	0 to 70 dB, in 10 dB steps

## Amplitude Specifications

<b>Resolution Bandwidth Switching Uncertainty</b>	(At reference level, referenced to 3 kHz RBW)
3 kHz to 3 MHz RBW	±0.4 dB
1 kHz RBW	±0.5 dB

<b>Linear to Log Switching</b>	±0.25 dB at reference level
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<b>Display Scale Fidelity</b>	
Log Maximum Cumulative 0 to -70 dB from Reference Level	± (0.4 dB + 0.01 x dB from reference level)
Log Incremental Accuracy 0 to -60 dB from Reference Level	±0.4 dB/4 dB
Linear Accuracy	±3% of reference level

## Frequency Characteristics

These are not specifications. Characteristics provide useful but nonwarranted information about instrument performance.

<b>Resolution Bandwidth (- 3 dB)</b>	
Range	1 kHz to 3 MHz, selectable in 1, 3 and 10 increments, accuracy $\pm 20\%$ and 5 MHz. Resolution bandwidths may be selected manually, or coupled to frequency span.
Shape	Synchronously tuned four poles. Approximately Gaussian shape.
60 dB/3 dB Bandwidth Ratio	
Resolution Bandwidth	
100 kHz to 3 MHz	15:1
30 kHz	16:1
3 kHz to 10 kHz	15:1
1 kHz	16:1

<b>Video Bandwidth (-3 dB)</b>	
Range	30 Hz to 1 MHz, selectable in 1, 3, 10 increments, accuracy $\pm 30\%$ and 3 MHz. Video bandwidths may be selected manually, or coupled to resolution bandwidth and frequency span.
Shape	Post detection, single pole low-pass filter used to average displayed noise.

<b>FFT Bandwidth Factors</b>	<b>FLATTOP</b>	<b>HANNING</b>	<b>UNIFORM</b>
Noise Equivalent Bandwidth <sup>†</sup>	3.63x	1.5x	1x
3 dB Bandwidth <sup>†</sup>	3.60x	1.48x	1x
Sidelobe Height	< -90 dB	-32 dB	-13 dB
Amplitude Uncertainty	0.10 dB	1.42 dB	3.92 dB
Shape Factor (60 dB BW/3 dB BW)	2.6	9.1	>300

<sup>†</sup> Multiply entry by one-divided-by-sweep time.

## Amplitude Characteristics

These are not specifications. Characteristics provide useful but nonwarranted information about instrument performance.

<b>Log Scale Switching Uncertainty</b>	Negligible error
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<b>Input Attenuation Uncertainty*</b>	<b>9 kHz to 12.4 GHz</b>	<b>12.4 to 19 GHz</b>	<b>19 to 22 GHz</b>
Attenuator Setting			
0 dB	±0.75 dB	±1.0 dB	±1.0 dB
10 dB	Reference	Reference	Reference
20 dB	±0.75 dB	±0.75 dB	±1.0 dB
30 dB	±0.75 dB	±1.0 dB	±1.25 dB
40 dB	±0.75 dB	±1.25 dB	±2.0 dB
50 dB	±1.0 dB	±1.5 dB	±2.5 dB
60 dB	±1.5 dB	±2.0 dB	±3.0 dB
70 dB	±2.0 dB	±2.5 dB	±3.5 dB

\* Referenced to 10 dB input attenuator setting. See the "Specifications" table under "Frequency Response."

<b>Input Attenuator 10 dB Step Uncertainty</b>	(Attenuator setting 10 to 70 dB)
Center Frequency	
9 kHz to 19 GHz	±1.0 dB/10 dB
19 GHz to 22 GHz	±1.5 dB/10 dB

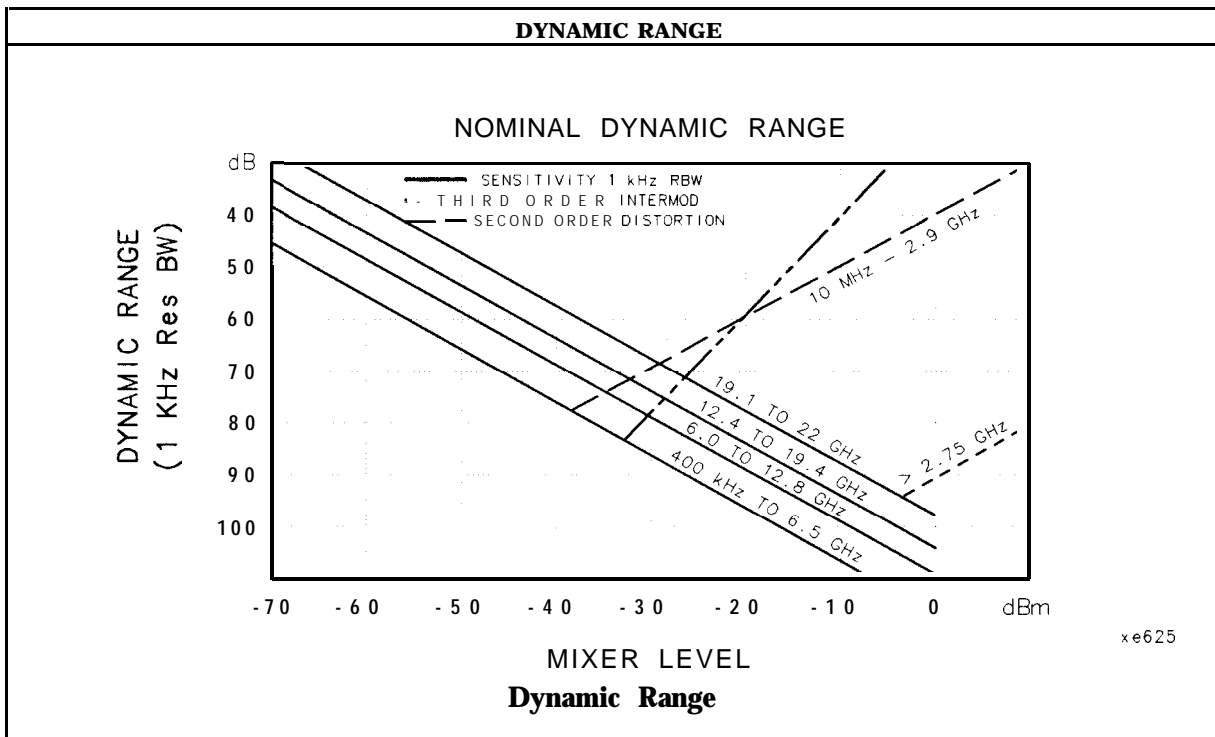
<b>Input Attenuator Repeatability</b>	±0.05 dB
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<b>RF Input SWR</b>	
10 dB attenuation	
Frequency	
300 MHz	1.15:1
10 dB to 70 dB attenuation	
Band	
9 kHz to 2.9 GHz	1.3:1
2.75 GHz to 6.5 GHz	1.5:1
6.0 GHz to 12.8 GHz	1.6:1
12.4 GHz to 19.4 GHz	2.0:1
19.1 GHz to 22.0 GHz	3.0:1

<b>Unpeaked Frequency Response</b>	(10 dB input attenuation)	
Without Preselector Peaking, Span ≤ 50 MHz	<b>Absolute<sup>§</sup></b>	<b>Relative Flatness<sup>†</sup></b>
2.75 GHz to 6.5 GHz	±4.0 dB	±3.5 dB
6.0 GHz to 12.8 GHz	±4.5 dB	±4.0 dB
12.4 GHz to 19.4 GHz	±6.0 dB	±5.0 dB
19.1 GHz to 22 GHz	±6.0 dB	±5.0 dB

<sup>†</sup> Referenced to midpoint between highest and lowest frequency response deviations.

<sup>§</sup> Referenced to 300 MHz CAL OUT.



Immunity Testing	
Radiated Immunity	When tested at 3 V/m according to IEC 801-3/1984 the displayed average noise level will be within specifications over the full immunity test frequency range of 27 to 500 MHz except that at immunity test frequencies of 278.6 MHz $\pm$ selected resolution bandwidth and 321.4 MHz $\pm$ selected resolution bandwidth the displayed average noise level may be up to -45 dBm. When the analyzer tuned frequency is identical to the immunity test signal frequency there may be signals of up to -70 dBm displayed on the screen.
Electrostatic Discharge	When an air discharge of up to 8 kV according to IEC 801-2/1991 occurs to the shells of the BNC connectors on the rear panel of the instrument spikes may be seen on the CRT display. Discharges to center pins of any of the connectors may cause damage to the associated circuitry.

# Physical Characteristics

## Front-Panel Inputs and Outputs

<b>INPUT 50 OHM</b>	Type N female
Connector	50 $\Omega$ nominal
Impedance	
<b>INPUT 50<math>\Omega</math> (Option 026)</b>	APC 3.5 male
Connector	50 $\Omega$ nominal
Impedance	
<b>INPUT 50<math>\Omega</math> (Option027)</b>	Type N female with adapter to SMA female
Connector	50 $\Omega$ nominal
Impedance	

<b>100 MHz COMB OUT</b>	SMA female
Connector	+ 27 dBm
Output Level	100 MHz fundamental
Frequency	

<b>PROBE POWER<sup>†</sup></b>	+ 15 Vdc, $\pm 7\%$ at 150 mA max.
Voltage/Current	-12.6 Vdc $\pm 10\%$ at 150 mA max.

<sup>†</sup> Total current drawn from the + 15 Vdc on the PROBE POWER and the AUX INTERFACE cannot exceed 150 mA. Total current drawn from the - 12.5 Vdc on the PROBE POWER and the - 15 Vdc on the AUX INTERFACE cannot exceed 150 mA.

## Rear-Panel Inputs and Outputs

<b>AUX IF OUTPUT</b>	21.4 MHz
Frequency	- 10 to -60 dBm
Amplitude Range	50 $\Omega$ nominal
Impedance	

<b>AUX VIDEO OUTPUT</b>	BNC female
Connector	0 to 1 V (uncorrected)
Amplitude Range	

<b>EXT KEYBOARD (Option 021 or 023)</b>	Interface compatible with HP part number C1405 Option ABA and most IBM/AT non-auto switching keyboards.
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<b>EXT TRIG INPUT</b>	BNC female
Connector	Positive edge initiates sweep in EXT TRIG mode (TTL).
Trigger Level	

## Physical Characteristics

<b>HI-SWEEP IN/OUT</b> Connector output Input	BNC female High = sweep, Low = retrace (TTL) Open collector, low stops sweep.
<b>MONITOR OUTPUT</b> Connector Format SYNC NRM  SYNC NTSC  SYNC PAL	BNC female  Internal Monitor  NTSC Compatible 15.75 kHz horizontal rate 60 Hz vertical rate  PAL Compatible 15.625 kHz horizontal rate 50 Hz vertical rate
<b>REMOTE INTERFACE</b> HP-IB (Option 021) HP-IB Codes RS-232 (Option 023)	SH1, AH1, T6, SR1, RL1, PPO, DC1, Cl, C2, C3 and C28
<b>SWEEP OUTPUT</b> Connector Amplitude	BNC female 0 to +10 V ramp



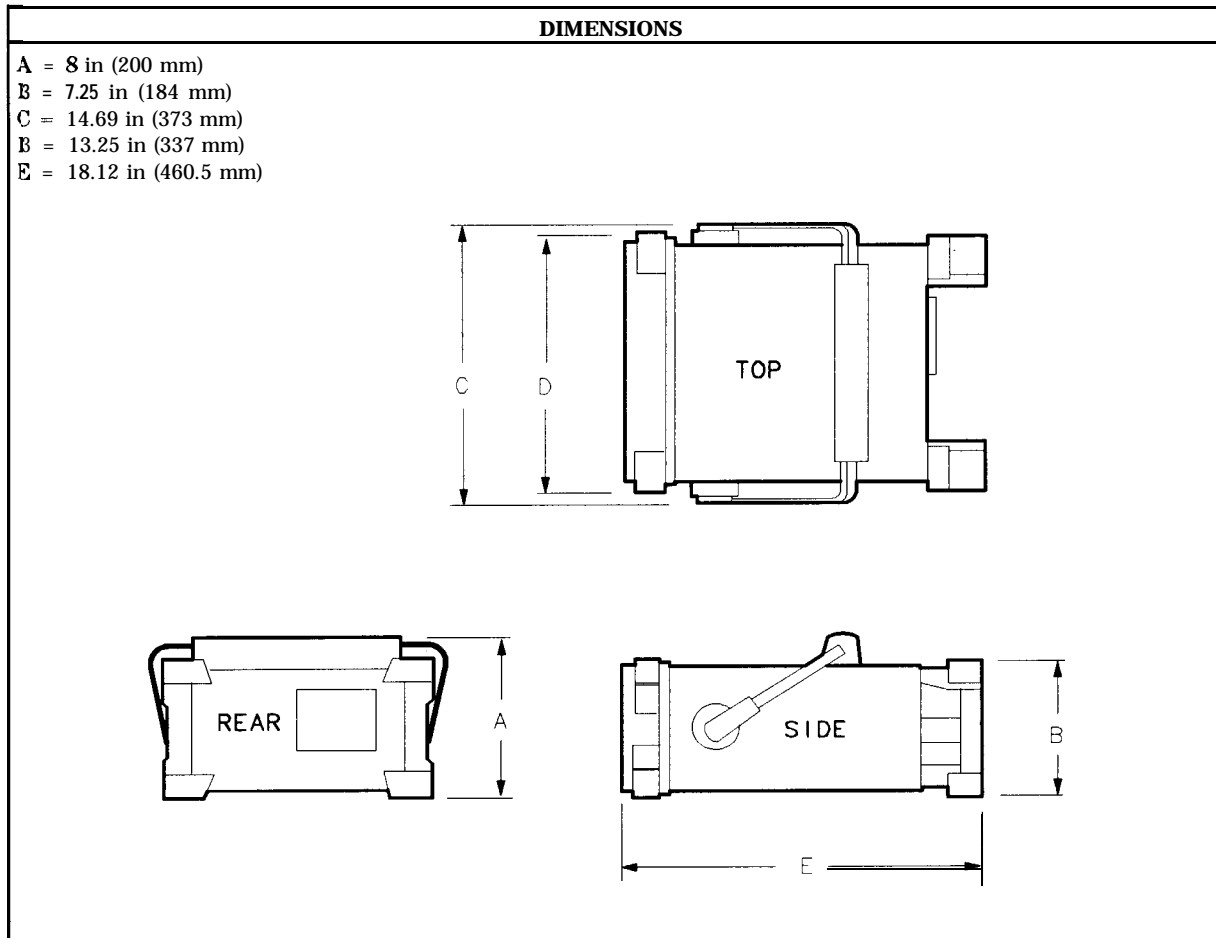
## Physical Characteristics

AUX INTERFACE				
Connector Type: 9 Pin Subminiature "D"				
Connector Pinout				
Pin #	Function	Current	"Logic" Mode	"Serial Bit" Mode
1	Control A	—	TTL Output Hi/Lo	TTL Output Hi/Lo
2	Control B	—	TTL Output Hi/Lo	TTL Output Hi/Lo
3	Control C	—	TTL Output Hi/Lo	Strobe
4	Control D	—	TTL Output Hi/Lo	Serial Data
5	Control I	—	TTL Input Hi/Lo	TTL Input Hi/Lo
6	Gnd	—	Gnd	Gnd
7†	-15 Vdc ±7%	150 mA	—	—
8*	+ 5 Vdc ±5%	150 mA	—	—
9†	+ 15 Vdc ±5%	150 mA	—	—

\* Exceeding the + 5 V current limits may result in loss of factory correction constants.  
† Total current drawn from the + 15 Vdc on the PROBE POWER and the AUX INTERFACE cannot exceed 150 mA. Total current drawn from the -12.6 Vdc on the PROBE POWER and the -15 Vdc on the AUX INTERFACE cannot exceed 150 mA.

WEIGHT	
<b>Net</b> HP 8592D	15.9 kg (35 lb)
<b>Shipping</b> HP 8592D	18.6 kg (41 lb)

## Physical Characteristics



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## **Regulatory Information**

The information on the following pages apply to the HP 8590 Series spectrum analyzer products.

Declaration of Conformity

<b>DECLARATION OF CONFORMITY</b> according to <b>ISO/IEC</b> Guide 22 and <b>EN 45014</b>		
<b>Manufacturer's Name:</b>	Hewlett-Packard Co.	
<b>Manufacturer's Address:</b>	1212 Valley House Drive Rohnert Park, California 94928-4999 U.S.A.	
<b>Manufacturer's Name:</b>	Hewlett-Packard Ltd.	
<b>Manufacturer's Address:</b>	South Queensferry West Lothian, EH30 9TG Scotland, United Kingdom	
<b>Declares that the product:</b>		
Product Name:	Spectrum Analyzer	
Model Numbers:	HP 8590D, HP 8591E, HP 8592D, HP 8593E, HP 8594E, HP 8595E, and HP 8596E	
Product Options:	This declaration covers all options of the above products.	
<b>Conforms</b> to the following product specifications:		
Safety:	IEC 348(1978) / HD 401 S1	
<b>EMC:</b>	EN 55011 / CISPR 11(1990) Group 1, Class A EN 50082-1(1992) IEC 801-2(1991), 8 kV AD IEC 801-3(1984), 3 V/m IEC 801-4(1988), 500 V signal, 1 kV ac power	
<b>Supplementary Information:</b>		
<u>Rohnert Park, California</u>	<u>4/7/92</u>	<u>Dixou Llowder</u>
<b>Location</b>	Date	Dixou Llowder / QA Manager
<u>South Queensferry, Scotland</u>	<u>15 April '92</u>	<u>Peter Rigby</u>
<b>Location</b>	Date	Peter Rigby / QA Manager

## **Regulatory Information**

### **Notice for Germany: Noise Declaration**

LpA < 70 dB

am Arbeitsplatz (operator position)

normaler Betrieb (normal position)

nach DIN 45635 T. 19 (per ISO 7779)

## If You Have a Problem

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Your spectrum analyzer is built to provide dependable service. It is unlikely that you will experience a problem. However, Hewlett-Packard's worldwide sales and service organization is ready to provide the support you need.

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### Calling HP Sales and Service Offices

Sales and service offices are located around the world to provide complete support for your spectrum analyzer. To obtain servicing information or to order replacement parts, contact the nearest Hewlett-Packard Sales and Service office listed in Table 3-1. In any correspondence or telephone conversations, refer to the spectrum analyzer by its model number and full serial number. With this information, the HP representative can quickly determine whether your unit is still within its warranty period.

### Before calling Hewlett-Packard

Before calling Hewlett-Packard or returning the spectrum analyzer for service, please make the checks listed in "Check the basics." If you still have a problem please read the warranty printed at the front of this guide. If your spectrum analyzer is covered by a separate maintenance agreement, please be familiar with its terms.

Hewlett-Packard offers several maintenance plans to service your spectrum analyzer after warranty expiration. Call your HP Sales and Service Office for full details.

If you want to service the spectrum analyzer yourself after warranty expiration, contact your HP Sales and Service Office to obtain the most current test and maintenance information.

## Check the basics

In general, a problem can be caused by a hardware failure, a software error, or a user error. Often problems may be solved by repeating what was being done when the problem occurred. A few minutes spent in performing these simple checks may eliminate time spent waiting for instrument repair.

- ❑ Check that the spectrum analyzer is plugged into the proper ac power source.
- ❑ Check that the line socket has power.
- ❑ Check that the rear-panel voltage selector switch is set correctly.
- ❑ Check that the line fuse is good.
- ❑ Check that the spectrum analyzer is turned on.
- ❑ Check that the light above **LINE** is on, indicating that the power supply is on.
- ❑ Check that the other equipment, cables, and connectors are connected properly and operating correctly.
- ❑ Check the equipment settings in the procedure that was being used when the problem occurred.
- ❑ Check that the test being performed and the expected results are within the specifications and capabilities of the spectrum analyzer. Refer to Chapter 2 of this guide.
- ❑ Check the spectrum analyzer display for error messages. Refer to the **HP 8590 Series Spectrum Analyzer User's Guide**.
- ❑ Check operation by performing the verification procedures in Chapter 1 of this guide. Record all results in the performance test record.
- ❑ Check for problems similar to those described in the **HP 8590 Series Spectrum Analyzer User's Guide**.

**Table 3-1. Hewlett-Packard Sales and Service Offices**

<b>US FIELD OPERATIONS</b>		
<p><b>Customer Information</b> Hewlett-Packard Company 19320 Pruneridge Avenue Cupertino, CA 95014, USA (800) 752-0900</p>	<p><b>California, Northern</b> Hewlett-Packard Co. 301 E. Evelyn Mountain View, CA 94041 (415) 694-2000</p>	<p><b>California, Southern</b> Hewlett-Packard Co. 1421 South Manhattan Ave. Fullerton, CA 92631 <b>(714) 999-6700</b></p>
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## Returning the Spectrum Analyzer for Service

Use the information in this section if it is necessary to return the spectrum analyzer to Hewlett-Packard.

### Package the spectrum analyzer for shipment

Use the following steps to package the spectrum analyzer for shipment to Hewlett-Packard for service:

1. Fill in a service tag (available in the ***HP 8590 Series Spectrum Analyzer User's Guide***) and attach it to the instrument. Please be as specific as possible about the nature of the problem. Send a copy of any or all of the following information:
  - Any error messages that appeared on the spectrum analyzer display.
  - A completed Performance Test record. Located in Chapter 1 of this guide.
  - Any other specific data on the performance of the spectrum analyzer.

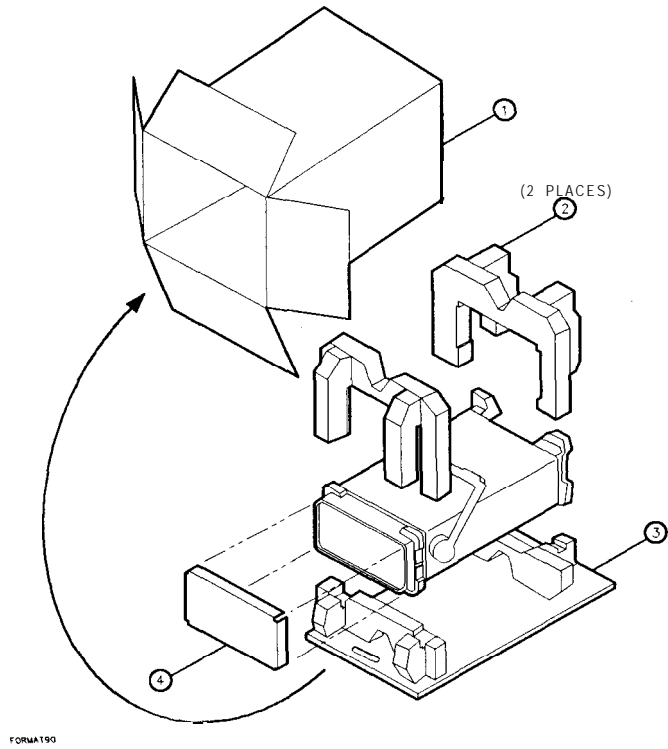
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**Caution** Spectrum analyzer damage can result from using packaging materials other than those specified. Never use styrene pellets in any shape as packaging materials. They do not adequately cushion the instrument or prevent it from shifting in the carton. Styrene pellets cause equipment damage by generating static electricity and by lodging in the spectrum analyzer fan.

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

Use the following illustration and table to help you package a tracking source for shipment.



Item	Description	HP Part Number
1	Outer Carton	9211-5636
2	Inner Foam Pad Set	08590-80013
3	Bottom Skid Tray	08590-80014
4	Front Frame Insert	9220-4488

**Figure 3-1. Spectrum Analyzer Packaging Materials**