

Agilent ESA-E Series Spectrum Analyzers cdmaOne Measurement Solutions

Technical Overview



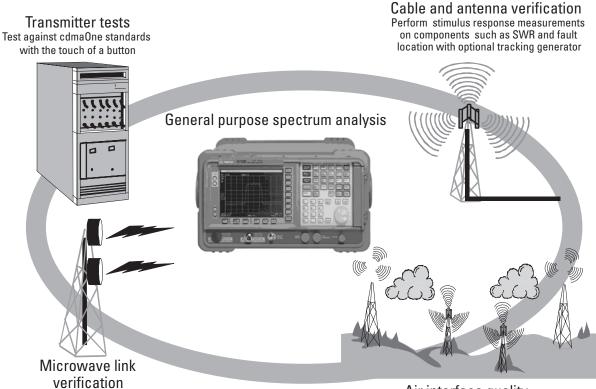
Now the best-in-class spectrum analyzer has one-button cdmaOne measurements, including adjacent channel power ratio, modulation quality, and code domain digital demodulation.



Accurate and easy cell site optimization and troubleshooting

As a cellular network provider you are under increasing pressure to ensure optimal network performance. Interference free spectrum, combined with an optimized transmitter, means that the cellular system you maintain is performing at the peak of its operational capability. The Agilent ESA-E series spectrum analyzers provide best-in-class general purpose spectrum analysis with built-in, one-button, standards compliant, cdmaOne measurement capability, including adjacent channel power ratio (ACPR), in a mid-priced portable rugged package. This provides enhanced capability to meet your performance goals accurately, easily, and quickly in the most demanding environmental conditions.

Verifying all troublesome parts of the cell site



Verification Operation to 26GHz , >110GHz with the external mixing option

Air interface quality Identify low level interference with optional digital RBWs and optional built-in preamplifier

Here's how it benefits you

Accurate

Confidence in cell site performance

- ±0.6 dB absolute channel power accuracy
- ±10 Hz frequency accuracy
- ±0.0015 modulation quality (rho)

Easy-to-use

Less training time needed

- One-button, standards compliant cdmaOne measurements with pass/fail messages for go/no-go testing, including adjacent channel power ratio (ACPR)
- Communications focused user interface
- Built-in help key for quick reference without manuals

Portable

Sophisticated measurement performance anywhere

- Rugged case, water resistant front panel
- Snap-on battery (E1779A) or 12 Vdc adapter (Option A5D)
- Carrying/operating case (Option AYT/AYU)

Upgradeable

Ready for the next generation of cellular standards

- Versatile card-cage architecture
- Instrument firmware and software upgrades from the Web
- Wide bandwidth digital demodulation platform

Flexible

Include just the options that you need now or in the future

- Multiple option configurations
- Spectrum analyzer mode or cdmaOne analyzer mode operation
- Choose just the frequency range that you need

PC connected

Easy analysis of cell site transmitter performance data

- Store measurement results in spreadsheet format to disk using the built-in floppy disk drive or IntuiLink software¹
- Industry standard SCPI instrument language for remote control
- GPIB (Option A4H), RS-232 (Option 1AX) interface available

Fast

Finish your job quicker

- Five minute warm-up time for full accuracy
- 28 measurement updates per second for higher probability of intercept and real-time response
- Quick cdmaOne measurement set-up

With spectrum analysis

Maximize measurement capability and confidence

- 108 dB² third order dynamic range to view low level distortion and intermodulation
- 1 Hz digital resolution band width up to 200 times faster than analog
- Continuous automatic background alignment that guarantees repeatability over varying temperatures

Great for installation and maintenance plus more

R&D

- Continuous, standards-compliant ACPR measurements for design verification
- Affordable spectrum and modulation analysis on every engineer's bench

Manufacturing

- Spurious testing to 26.5 GHz
- Standards-compliant one-button ACPR measurement for fast product test throughput
- Flexible troubleshooting tool for production rework
- Engineering analysis of root cause

Installation and maintenance

- Fast, accurate whole cell site optimization
- In any weather condition
- Minimal training time
- Complete spectrum analysis capability

^{1.} For more information about IntuiLink software visit our Web site at: http://www.agilent.com/find/IntuiLink

^{2.} Typical

Here's the specific cdmaOne measurements

The cdmaOne measurement personality is software that resides in the ESA-E series spectrum analyzer that provides specialized features that perform measurements and calculations required to test the cdmaOne standard specifications at the press of a single button.

Key measurements:

- Adjacent channel power ratio (ACPR)
- Channel power
- Modulation accuracy (rho)
- Code domain power
- Receive channel power
- In-band and out-of-band spurious measurements
- Harmonics
- Occupied bandwidth
- Monitor band/channel
- Distance to fault

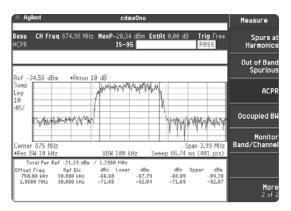


Figure 1. Adjacent channel power ratio measurement (ACPR) is one of the critical power measurements for the design and test of cdmaOne components and systems.

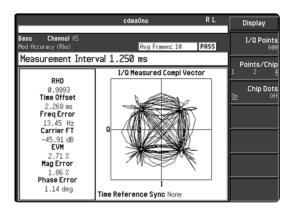


Figure 3. Waveform quality measurements uncover modulation problems.

Additional features

- Color enhanced pass/fail messages with editable limits
- Graphic displays that add key information to numerical results
- Automatic signal level detection and analyzer setup
- Standards based channel tuning and band selection
- External reference configuration and control
- Remote control measurements, parameters, and limits with SCPI programming language
- Storage of measurement results to floppy disk or directly to a PC with IntuiLink software

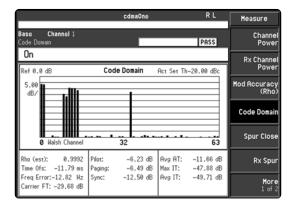


Figure 2. Code domain power provides insight into the modulation domain to verify that each Walsh channel is operating at its proper level. This measurement includes estimated rho, for on-air modulation quality.

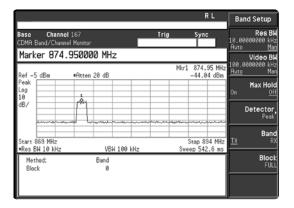
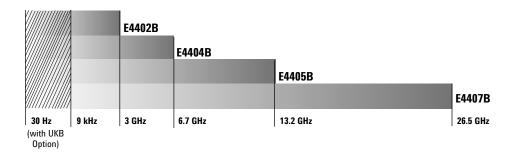


Figure 4. Identify interference signals using the monitor channel feature combined with the analyzer's wide dynamic range and sensitivity.

Here's how you order it

First, choose your frequency range



ESA-E frequency ranges

Now, choose your option configuration

| Use | Task | Required option configurations | cdmaOne measurement |
|---|---|--|--|
| Transmission performance checks (full functionality) | Verifies equipment specifications Complies with radio regulatory standards Verifies modulation quality and network synchronization Ensures the RF transmission parameters are optimal Verifies the transmission and receive bands are free from interference Proves the quality of RF cables and connections | ESA-E Series communications test analyzer (-COM) plus option: BAC cdmaOne measurement personality Alternative configuration via custom path: 1D5 High stability frequency reference B7D DSP and fast ADC B7E RF communications hardware BAA FM demodulation BAC cdmaOne measurement personality | Channel power Modulation quality (rho) Code domain power Receive channel power Monitor channel/band In-band spurious Out-of-band spurious Harmonics Occupied bandwidth Distance to fault (1DN and 225 required) |
| | | Recommended options:1DRNarrow resolution bandwidths1DSPreamplifier (default ¹)1DN50 Ohm tracking generator ¹ 1D6Time-gated spectrum analysis (default) | |
| Cell site functionality checks (limited functionality) | Ensures that the RF transmission parameters are optimal Verifies the transmission and receive bands are free from interference Proves the quality of RF cables and connections | ESA-E Series spectrum analyzer plus options1BACcdmaOne measurement personality1D5High stability frequency referenceAYXFast time domain sweepRecommended options:1DSPreamplifier1DRNarrow resolution bandwidths1DN50 Ohm tracking generator | Channel power Receive channel power Monitor channel/band In-band spurious Out-of-band spurious Harmonics Occupied bandwidth Distance to fault (1DN and 225 required) |

1. Option available only via the custom path.

cdmaOne specifications

All specifications apply over 0°C to +55°C unless otherwise noted and are covered by the product warranty. The analyzer will meet its specifications when: it's within the one year calibration cycle, AUTO ALIGN [ALL] is selected, stored a minimum 2 hours within the operating temperature range, turned on for at least 5 minutes, Align Now RF has been run once every 24 hour period. Italics = characteristics, typical performance, or nominal values. For spectrum analyzer specifications, see ESA-E Series Technical Specifications, literature number 5968-3386E.

General specifications

Maximum safe input level

Total power must not exceed +30 dBm (1 W) **Frequency reference** (with precision frequency reference, Option 1D5) ±1 x 10-7/year Aging Temperature stability ±5 x 10-6 External attenuation correction -90 to +90 dB in 0.01 dB steps **Frequency bands** cdmaOne cellular bands 824 to 870 MHz, 869 to 925 MHz cdmaOne PCS bands 1715 to 1780 MHz, 1805 to 1870 MHz, 1850 to 1910 MHz, 1930 to 1990 MHz Channel power¹ **Channel power range** +30 to -70 dBm Absolute channel power accuracy²: **Cellular bands** E4402B 0°C to 55°C 20°C to 30°C

| –5 to 30 dBm | ±1.2 dB | ±0.9 dB, 0.4 <i>typical</i> |
|----------------|-------------|-------------------------------------|
| –25 to –5 dBm | ±1.1 dB | ±0.9 dB, 0.4 typical |
| –45 to –25 dBm | ±1.0 dB | ±0.7 dB, 0.2 typical |
| –55 to –45 dBm | ±1.0 dB | ±0.8 dB, 0.3 <i>typical</i> |
| -70 to -55 dBm | ±1.2 dB | ±0.8 dB, 0.4 typical |
| E4404B. | | ,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,, |
| E4405B, E4407B | 0°C to 55°C | 20°C to 30°C |
| –5 to 30 dBm | ±1.1 dB | ±0.8 dB, 0.4 <i>typical</i> |
| –25 to –5 dBm | ±1.1 dB | ±0.8 dB, 0.3 typical |
| –45 to –25 dBm | ±1.0 dB | ±0.7 dB, 0.3 typical |
| –55 to –45 dBm | ±1.0 dB | ±0.7 dB, 0.4 typical |
| –70 to –55 dBm | ±1.3 dB | ±0.9dB, 0.5 typical |
| PCS bands | | |
| | | |
| E4402B | 0°C to 55°C | 20°C to 30°C |
| –5 to 30 dBm | ±1.1 dB | ±0.8 dB, 0.3 <i>typical</i> |
| –25 to –5 dBm | ±1.0 dB | ±0.7 dB, 0.2 <i>typical</i> |
| –45 to –25 dBm | ±1.0 dB | ±0.7 dB, 0.3 typical |
| –55 to –45 dBm | ±1.0 dB | ±0.8 dB, 0.3 typical |
| –70 to –55 dBm | ±1.3 dB | ±0.9 dB, 0.4 <i>typical</i> |
| | | |

1 Integrated 1.23 MHz bandwidth.

Table 1. Industry supported standards

| Supported standards | | Supported tuning plan | |
|----------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|--|
| IS-95A J-STD-008 | IS-97A J-STD-018 | IS-98A J-STD-019 | US Cellular, Korean Cellular US PCS, Korean PCS |
| ARIB STD-53 TIA/EIA-95B | TIA/EIA-97B | TIA/EIA-98B | Japan Cellular US Cellular, US PCS |
| TIA/EIA-95C | TIA/EIA-97C | TIA/EIA-98C US | Cellular, US PCS |

E4404B. E4405B. E4407B 0°C to 55°C 20°C to 30°C -5 to 30 dBm ±1.3 dB ±1.0 dB, 0.3 typical -25 to -5 dBm ±1.1 dB ±0.8 dB, 0.3 typical -45 to -25 dBm ±1.1 dB ±0.9 dB, 0.3 typical -55 to -45 dBm ±1.1 dB ±1.0 dB, 0.4 typical -70 to -55 dBm ±1.4 dB ±1.0 dB, 0.5 typical

Adjacent channel power ratio (ACPR)

Carrier power range at RF input +30 dBm to -20 dBm Dynamic range (referenced to the average power of the carrier in 1.23 MHz)

| Offset frequency | Integration BW | Dynamic range |
|------------------|----------------|---------------------------|
| 750 kHz | 30 kHz | -70 dBc, characteristic |
| 885 kHz | 30 kHz | –73.5 dBc, characteristic |
| 1.25625 MHz | 12.5 kHz | –78 dBc, characteristic |
| 1.98 MHz | 30 kHz | –75.5 dBc, characteristic |
| 2.75 MHz | 1 MHz | -60.5 dBc, characteristic |

Resolution: 0.01 dB

Accuracy⁵

Receive channel power¹

| Absolute power accuracy | |
|----------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Cellular bands | |
| E4402B | |
| 0 to 30 dB | ±1.1 dB, ±0.6 typical |
| –85 to 0 dB | ±1.6 dB, ±0.63 typical |
| E4404B, E4405B, E4407B | |
| 0 to 30 dB | ± 1.0 dB, ± 0.6 typical |
| –85 to 0 dB | ±2.0 dB, ±1.3 typical |
| Code domain ³ | |
| Range at RF input | +30 dBm to –82 dBm, |
| | characteristic |
| Measurement interval range | 0.5 ms to 26.67 ms |
| Code domain power | |
| Display dynamic range | 50 dB |
| Accuracy ⁴ | ±0.2 dB |
| Displayed resolution | 0.01 dB |
| Frequency error range | ±100 kHz, typical |

±10 Hz

4 Walsh channel power must be within 20 dB of total power.

Excludes frequency reference error, measurement interval \geq 2.5 ms. 5.

For mean channel power at RF input, plus any external attenuation, 2. excluding mismatch error.

^{3.} Requires Options 1DS, B7D, and B7E, measurement internal \geq 1.25 ms.

Code Domain specifications (continued)

| Estimated rho | |
|---------------------------------|------------------------|
| Range | 0.5 to 1.0 |
| Accuracy ¹ | |
| (0.9 to 1.0 range) | ±0.02, characteristic |
| Displayed resolution | 0.0001 |
| Pilot time offset ² | |
| Range | -13.33 ms to +13.33 ms |
| Accuracy | ±150 ns |
| Displayed resolution | four digits |
| Code domain timing ³ | |
| Range | ±200 ns |
| Accuracy | ±7 ns typical |
| Code domain phase ³ | |
| Range | ±200 mrad |
| Accuracy | ±15 mrad, |
| | ±10 mrad typical |
| Other reported power parameters | |

Average active traffic, maximum inactive traffic, average inactive traffic **Code domain displays** Power graph & metrics or power, timing & phase graphs

Modulation accuracy (rho) measurement⁴

| Range at RF input Preamp on (Option 1DS) Measurement interval range Rho ⁵ (waveform quality) | +30 dBm to –70 dBm +30 dBm to –87 dBm 0.15 ms to 26.67 ms |
|--|---|
| Range Accuracy (0.9 to 1.0 range) Displayed resolution | 0.5 to 1.0, characteristic ±0.0015 typical 0.0001 |
| Frequency error ⁶ | |
| Input frequency error range Accuracy | ±100 kHz ±10 Hz |
| Pilot time offset ² | |
| Range | -13.33 ms to +13.33 ms |
| Accuracy | ±150 ns |
| Displayed resolution | four digits |
| EVM | |
| Floor | 3.8%, typical |
| Accuracy ⁷ | ±1.1%, typical |
| Displayed resolution | 0.01% |
| Carrier feedthrough | |
| Accuracy ⁷ | ±2.3 dB |
| Displayed resolution | 0.01 dB |
| Magnitude error | |
| Accuracy ⁷ | ±1.1%, typical |
| Displayed resolution | 0.01% |
| Phase error | |
| Accuracy ⁷ | ±0.65 degrees, <i>typical</i> |
| Displayed resolution | 0.01 degrees |
| Modulation accuracy displays | |
| Numeric results or numeric results an | nd IQ graph |

Occupied bandwidth

| Carrier power range Frequency resolution | +30 dBm to –45 dBm 1.88 kHz |
|--|--------------------------------|
| Frequency accuracy | 1.00 KHZ |
| (1.23 MHz channel bandwidth) | |
| ±15 kHz, characteristic | |
| Frequency resolution of delta freque 3.75 kHz | ency |
| Frequency accuracy of delta freque | ncy |
| ± 35 kHz + (frequency reference | e error x carrier |
| frequency)], characteristic | |
| | |

Spur close (in-band spur)

| Carrier power range at RF input +30 dBm to -12 dBm | |
|---|-------|
| Dynamic range | |
| Input power | |
| 25 to 30 dBm | 55 dB |
| 20 to 25 dBm | 50 dB |
| –12 to 20 dBm | 46 dB |
| Relative accuracy | |

 \pm (2.7 dB + 0.01 x (dB from reference level)

Transmitter spurious emissions (out-of-band)

Out-of-band spurious emissions are made with user-defined tables with 20 frequency ranges each (up to the top 10 spurs per range, maximum 100 spurs). Table parameters include frequency range, RBW, video BW, detector type, and amplitude test limits.

Receiver spurious emissions (in IS-95 bands, 30 kHz RBW, 0 dB attenuation)

Spurious emission power range

| –20 dBm to –83 dBm | |
|----------------------|---------------------|
| With preamplifier on | |
| (Option 1DS) | –40 dBm to –101 dBm |

^{1.} With active set threshold set less than all active channels but greater than -20 dBc, 9 channels active.

^{2.} From even second signal to start of PN sequence, measurement interval \geq 1.25 ms.

^{3.} Pilot to code-channel time tolerance, measurement interval ≥ 1.25 ms, IS-97A nominal power levels. 4. Requires options 1D5, B7D and B7E.

^{5.} Measurement interval \geq 1.25 ms.

^{6.} Excludes frequency reference error, measurement interval \geq 2.5 ms.

^{7.} Does not include noise floor.

Agilent ESA-E series spectrum analyzer product and application information

Option ordering information

To add options to a product, use the following ordering scheme:

| Model: | E44xxB (xx = 02, 04, 05 or 07) |
|----------------|------------------------------------|
| Model options: | E44xxB-Option 1 E44xxB-Option 2 |

Additional related options and accessories

| Option A5D | 12 Vdc power cable |
|--------------------|--|
| Option AXT | Hard transit case |
| Option AYT | Soft carrying/operating case |
| Option AYZ | External mixing |
| Option UK9 | Front panel cover |
| Option A4H | GPIB and parallel printer interfaces |
| Option 1AX | RS-232 and parallel printer interfaces |
| Option 1CP | Rackmount handle kit with slides |
| Option B7K | Distance to fault accessory kit |
| E1779A | Battery pack |
| 11970/74 | Series harmonic mixers |
| 8498A | (Option 030) High power attenuator |
| IntuiLink software | PC software included free |

Product literature

ESA-E Series Spectrum Analyzer, Brochure, literature number 5968-3278E

ESA/EMC Spectrum Analyzer, Configuration Guide, literature number 5968-3412E

ESA-E Series, Data Sheet, literature number 5968-3386E

ESA-E Series Self-Guided Demo, Product Note, literature number 5968-3658E

Select the Right Portable Spectrum Analyzer, Selection Guide, literature number 5968-3413E

ESA Snap-On Battery Pack, Product Overview, literature number 5966-1851E

IntuiLink Software, Data Sheet, literature number 5980-3115EN

Application notes

Understanding CDMA Measurement for Base Stations and Their Components, literature number 5968-0953E

Information Resources

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