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User's Guide

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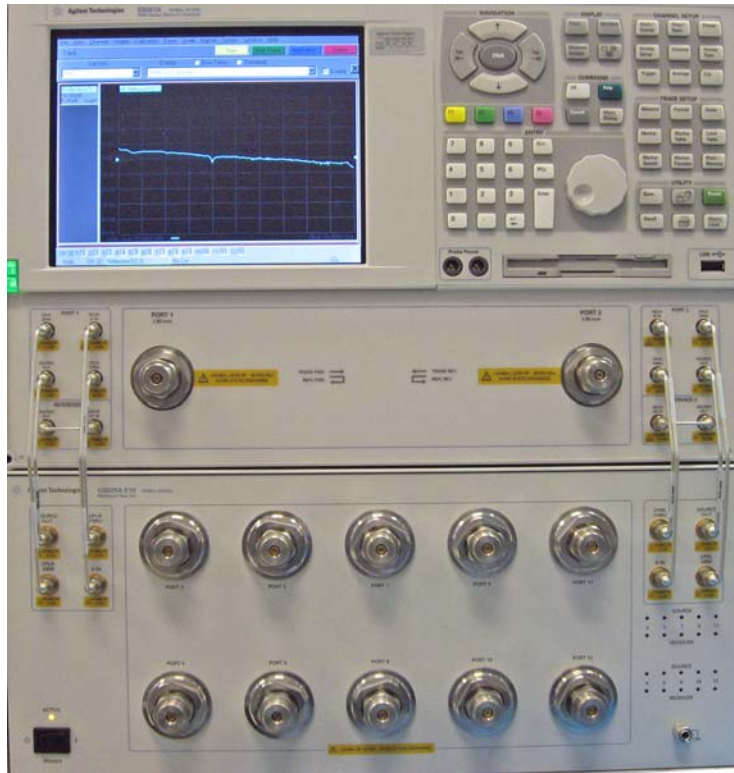
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Introduction

This document describes how to use the U3025AE10 Multiport Test Set with the Agilent E8364B 2-Port and the N5230A 2-Port PNA Network Analyzer.

Figure 1 E8364B 2-Port PNA and U3025AE10



Description

The Agilent U3025AE10 is a 10-Port mechanical switching extension test set (10 MHz to 50 GHz). The 10-Port extension test set can be connected to a 12-Port device when configured with the E8364B Option 014 or N5230A Option 525, 2-Port network analyzers.

The test set is controlled by the test set I/O connector located on the rear panel of the PNA network analyzer. All PNA and PNA-L network analyzers require Option 551, add n-port error correction and measurement capability.

The U3025AE10 has two available options:

- Option 001 provides Bias Tee's for the 10-Ports in the U3025AE10.
- Option 525 provides the cable set to connect the E8364B Option 014 or the N5230A Option 525 for the 12-Port configuration.

The E8364B Performance Network Analyzer and N5230A PNA-L information, data sheets, white papers, or manuals can be viewed or printed by visiting <http://www.agilent.com/find/pna>

Verifying the Shipment

Inspect the shipping container. If the container or packing material is damaged, it should be kept until the contents of the shipment have been checked mechanically and electrically. If there is physical damage refer to [“Contacting Agilent Sales and Service Offices” on page 44](#). Keep the damaged shipping materials (if any) for inspection by the carrier and an Agilent Technologies representative.

[Table 1](#) contains the accessories shipped with your U3025AE10.

Table 1 Content List

Agilent Part Number	Description	Qty
Common to the following Options		
9320-0333	Envelope-Cal Certificate	1
9320-6636	Functional Test Certificate	1
U3025-90001	User's Guide	1
8120-6818	Test Set I/O Cable	1
5023-0132	Locking Feet	1
Option 525 (12-Port Configuration, 2.4 to 2.4 mm connector)		
U3025-20044	RF Cable Semi-rigid	4
U3025-20045	RF Cable Semi-rigid	4

General Specifications

Specifications for the U3025AE10 Multiport Test Set (10 MHz to 50 GHz) are characteristic for the System performance of the PNA and Test Set. Actual performance of the system is based on the customers PNA that is used with the test set. A functional certificate is only offered for the U3025AE10.

NOTE When connected to a PNA, this test set will degrade the performance at the test ports. The internal mechanical switch paths reduce test port power and power to the receivers. This affects the test port power of the PNA and also reduces dynamic range. The test port power indicated by the PNA can be reduced as much as 10 dB and power to the receivers can also be reduced by as much as 3 dB. This will decrease the dynamic range (depending on the frequency) by as much as 13 dB.

Power Requirements

Verify that the required ac power is available at all necessary locations before installing the Test Set to the PNA.

- Air conditioning equipment (or other motor-operated equipment) should not be placed on the same ac line that powers the Test Set and PNA.
- [Table 2](#) contains the maximum wattage for all instruments. This table can be use to determine the electrical and cooling requirements.

NOTE Values are based on 120 Vac supplied to each instrument at 60 Hz.

Table 2 Power Requirements

Standard Equipment	
Instrument	Maximum Wattage
E8364B and N5230A	350
U3025AE10	350
Total	700

WARNING This is a Safety Class I product (provided with a protective earthing ground incorporated in the power cord). The mains plug shall be inserted only into a socket outlet provided with a protective earth contact. Any interruption of the protective conductor, inside or outside the instrument, is likely to make the instrument dangerous. Intentional interruption is prohibited.

Environmental Requirements

The environmental requirements of the PNA are listed in [Table 3](#). Note that these requirements are the same as those of the E8364B and N5230A PNA-L. The E8364B and N5230A PNA-L provides front panel access to the source outputs, receiver inputs and couplers for use with the Multiport test sets.

CAUTION Ventilation Requirements: When installing the instrument in a cabinet, the convection into and out of the instrument must not be restricted. The ambient temperature (outside the cabinet) must be less than the maximum operating temperature of the instrument by 4 °C for every 100 watts dissipated in the cabinet. If the total power dissipated in the cabinet is greater than 800 watts, forced convection must be used.

Table 3 PNA Operating Environment

Temperature	
Operation	0 °C to 40 °C (32 °F to 104 °F)
Storage	–40 °C to +70 °C (–40 °F to +158 °F)
Measurement Calibration	20 °C to 26 °C (68 °F to 79 °F)
Performance Verification	Temperature must be within 1 °C (1.8 °F) of the temperature at which the measurement calibration was performed.
Pressure Altitude (Operation or Storage)	0 to 4600 meters (~ 15,000 feet)
Enclosure Protection	IP 2 0, according to IEC 529

Environmental Tests

The U3025AE10 complies with all applicable safety and regulatory requirements for the intended location of use and have been evaluated to assure that they are consistent with Agilent quality and reliability goals. On the basis of that evaluation, the following environmental tests have been deemed unnecessary and have not been performed: temperature, humidity, shock, vibration, altitude and power line conditions.

Equipment Heating and Cooling

If necessary, install air conditioning and heating to maintain the ambient temperature within the appropriate range. Air conditioning capacity must be consistent with the BTU ratings given in [Table 2](#).

Required Conditions for Accuracy Enhanced Measurement

Accuracy-enhanced (error-corrected) measurements require the ambient temperature of the PNA and Test Set to be maintained within ± 1 °C of the ambient temperature at calibration.

Dimensions and Space Requirements

Standard installation of the U3025AE10 and PNA includes configuration and installation on a customer provided lab bench or table top of adequate size and strength.

Table 4 System Dimensions

Item	Weight
Required Bench Top Dimension:	
Clearance above the bench	43 cm (17 in)
Width	127 cm (50 in)
Depth	102 cm (40 in)
Weight	55 kg (110 lb)

Table 5 Instrument Dimensions

Model	Weight	Height	Width	Depth
E8364B	29 kg (64 lb)	26.7 cm (10.5 in)	42.5 cm (16.7 in)	42.6 cm (16.8 in)
N5230A	24.9 kg (55 lb, ± 0.5 lb)	26.7 cm (10.5 in)	42.5 cm (16.7 in)	42.6 cm (16.8 in)
U3025AE10	12.7 kg (28 lb)	19.1 cm (7.5 in)	42.5 cm (16.7 in)	42.6 cm (16.8 in)

Frequency Range and Maximum Power Levels

The U3025AE10 frequency range is 10 MHz to 50 GHz.

CAUTION It is recommend that you do not operate components near damage levels (+30 dBm). The power levels must be 3 dB below maximum level to ensure no damage. See [Table 6](#).

Table 6 Power Levels

Test Setup	Power Level
Maximum U3025AE10 Multiport Test Set RF Power Levels:	
PORT 3-12	+30 dBm 0 Vdc
SOURCE OUT	+30 dBm 0 Vdc
CPLR ARM	+30 dbm 0 Vdc
CPLR THRU	+30 dBm 0 Vdc
RVCR A IN and B IN	+15 dBm 0 Vdc
Damage Power Levels to U3025AE10 Access and Test Ports:	
Max Level to Port 1 & 2 Test Ports	+30 dBm (0 Vdc)

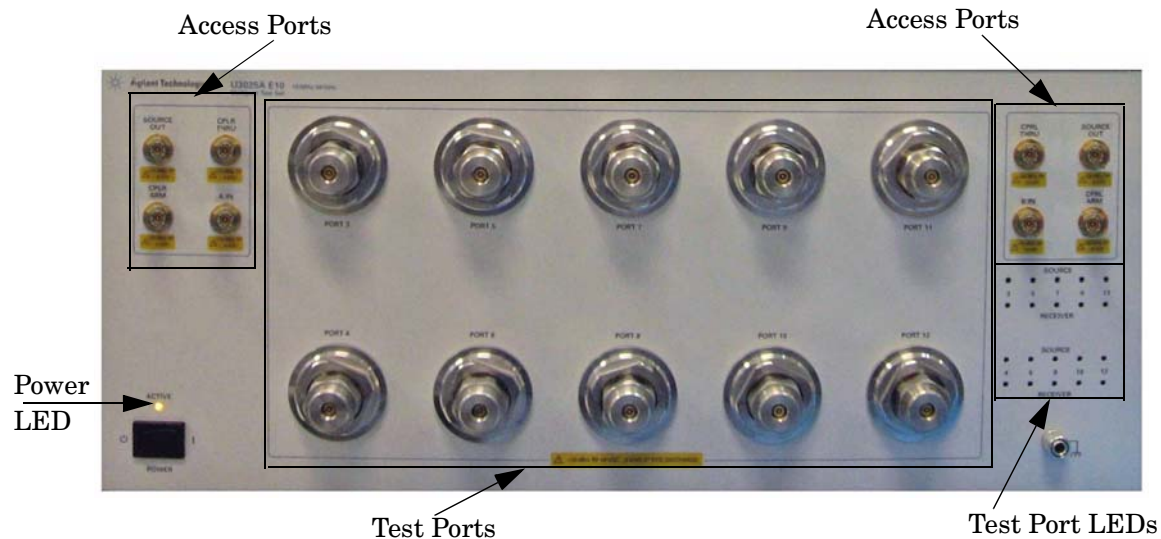
NOTE Refer to your PNA specifications to determine the maximum input power levels for the access and test ports.

NOTE Refer to your PNA specifications to optimize the power levels in the receivers.

NOTE Damage and maximum levels are not necessarily the optimum level.

Front and Rear Panel Features

Figure 2 Front Panel (Multiport Test Set)



Power LED

- When the Power Switch is On, the LED is illuminated.
- When the Power Switch is in Standby, the LED is Off.

Test Port LEDs

- An illuminated LED indicates an active port and if it is in Source or Receiver mode.
- If all of the Source or Receiver LEDs are illuminated, all of the illuminated ports are terminated.
- If all of the odd numbered ports are Off, Port 1 of the PNA is active.
- If all of the even numbered ports are Off, Port 2 of the PNA is active.

Test Ports – 2.4 mm Bulkhead (male)

- Port 3–12

Access Ports – 2.4 mm (female)

- SOURCE OUT
- CPLR THRU
- CPLR ARM
- A IN – B IN

Line Switch


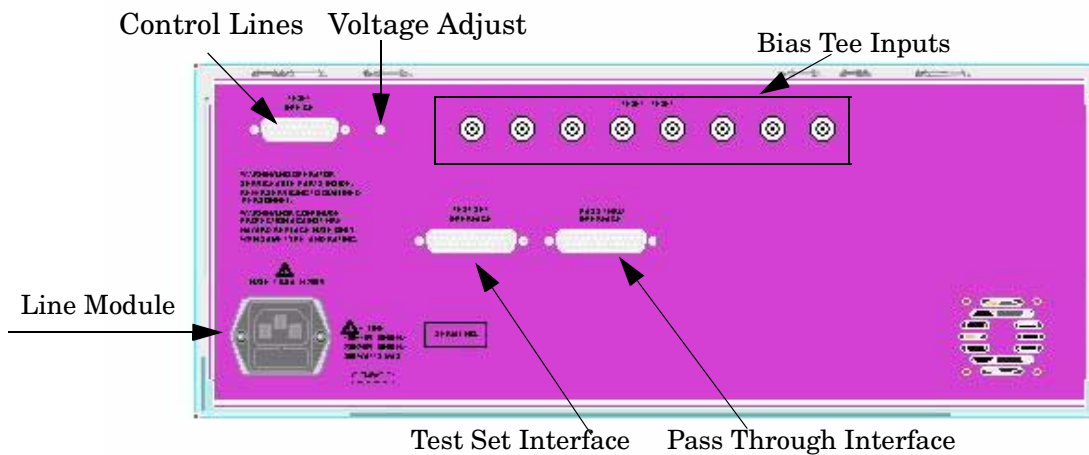
-  – Standby
 1 – ON (Power LED On)

Figure 3 Rear Panel (Multiport Test Set)



Control Lines and Voltage Adjust

For further information pertaining to control lines and voltage adjustments see [“Control Lines”](#) on page 22.

Test Set Interface

The Test Set Interface connector is used to send address and data to the test set from the PNA.

Pass Through Interface

Connection to another test set.

Bias Tee Inputs - Option 001 (only)

BNC female Connectors.

Line Module

The line fuse, as well as a spare, reside within the line module. [Figure 4](#) illustrates where the fuses are located and how to access them.

Available Fuses

- **United States (115 V orientation)**
Fuse (F 5 A/250V, 2110-0709) U.L. listed and CSA certified
- **Europe (230 V orientation)**
Fuse (F 5.0A/250V, 2110-0709) IEC listed and U.L. recognized certified

WARNING	For continued protection against fire hazard replace line fuse only with same type and rating: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• United States—F 5A/250V, Part Number 2110-0709• Europe—F 5A/250V, Part Number 2110-0709 The use of other fuses or material is prohibited.
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Figure 4 **Line Fuse**



CAUTION	This instrument has autoranging line voltage input; be sure the supply voltage is within the specified range.
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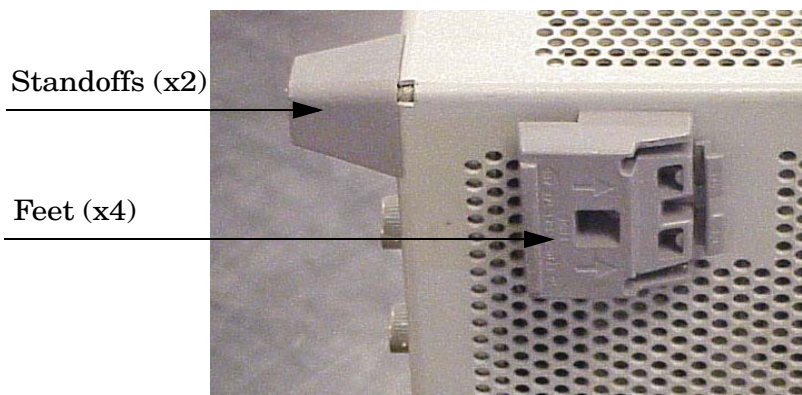
System Setup

WARNING The opening of covers or removal of parts is likely to expose dangerous voltages. Disconnect the instrument from all voltage sources while it is being opened.

Preparing the PNA Network Analyzer

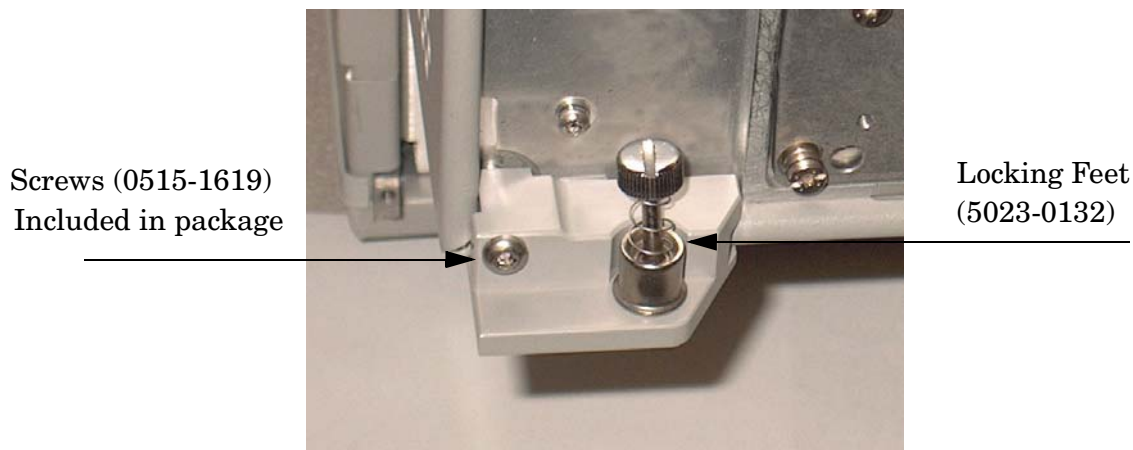
1. Remove the feet from the bottom of the network analyzer. Refer to [Figure 5](#).
2. Remove the 2 lower standoffs and screws (0515-1619) from the rear panel on the network analyzer. Refer to [Figure 5](#).

Figure 5 Rear Bottom Feet



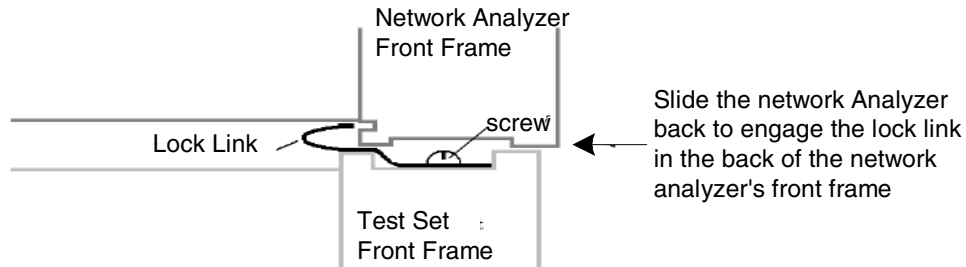
3. Install the two rear locking feet (5023-0132) using the included screws (0515-1619), where the standoffs were removed. Refer to [Figure 6](#).

Figure 6 Install Locking Feet



- Place the network analyzer on top of the Test Set and ensure that the front frame of the network analyzer is positioned slightly forward of the locks that are attached to the Test Set. Slide the network analyzer back so the locks engage the front frame of the analyzer. Refer to [Figure 7](#).

Figure 7 Locking the Analyzer's



- Secure the network analyzer's lower locking feet to the Test Set upper locking feet, using the spring-loaded screws on the locking feet. Refer to [Figure 8](#). If the network analyzer's lower locking feet are not aligned with the screw holes in the Test Set's upper locking feet, loosen the screws securing the feet to the instrument slightly to align.

Figure 8 Locking Feet Screws



NOTE There are two Lock-Foot kits available. Refer to [“Contacting Agilent Sales and Service Offices” on page 44](#) for ordering information.

- PNA – 5023-0132 (Kit includes locking feet and screws)
- Test Set – 5063-9253 (Kit includes lock links, locking feet and screws)

12-Port RF Cable Connections

Figure 9 on page 15 illustrates the setup configuration of the U3025AE10 Multiport Test Set and how it should be configured to the E8364B 2-Port and N5230A PNA Network Analyzer.

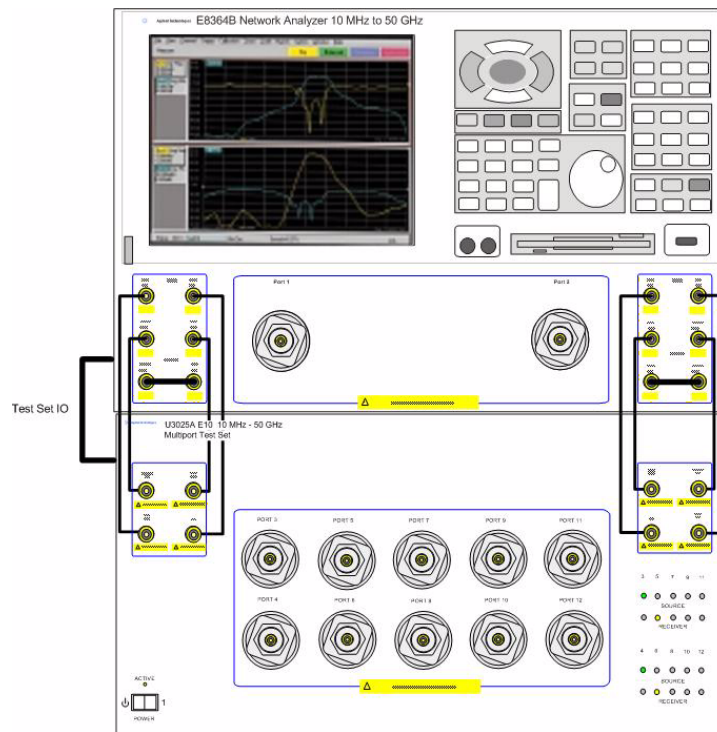
1. Connect the RF cables supplied with this option between the E8364B 2-Port PNA Network Analyzer and the U3025AE10 Test Set. Torque each cable to 8 in-lb. Refer to Table 7 and Figure 9 on page 15.

CAUTION	Each end of the interconnect RF cables have a different length from the bend. When connecting the RF Interconnect cables be sure that the longer end from the bend is connected to the PNA.
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CAUTION	Over torque will cause damage to the test set and may cause connectors to spin or become loose.
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Table 7 E8364B 12-Port Cable Connection

RF Cables	From (PNA)	To (Test Set)
U3025-20044	SOURCE OUT	SOURCE OUT
U3025-20044	CPLR THRU	CPLR THRU
U3025-20045	CPLR ARM	CPLR ARM
U3025-20045	RCVR A IN, B IN	A IN, B IN

Figure 9 12-Port Setup Configuration

2. Connect the PNA Test Set I/O cable (8120-6818) to the U3025AE10 Test Set Interface on the rear panel.

Operation

This section will describe how to setup and operate the U3025AE10 Multiport Test Set with the E8364B 2-Port PNA Network Analyzer.

NOTE	The internal firmware of the Agilent E8364B 2-Port Network Analyzer has not been modified for this test set option. Power levels may differ from those indicated on the PNA when the Test Set is connected.
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Controlling the Test Set

The U3025AE10 Multiport Test Set is considered a “slave” instrument. A PNA must be used to control the test set.

- PNA Multiport Mode:
 - Firmware revision \geq A.06.20.08 for E8364B Option 551
 - Firmware revision \geq A.06.20.08 for N5230A Option 551

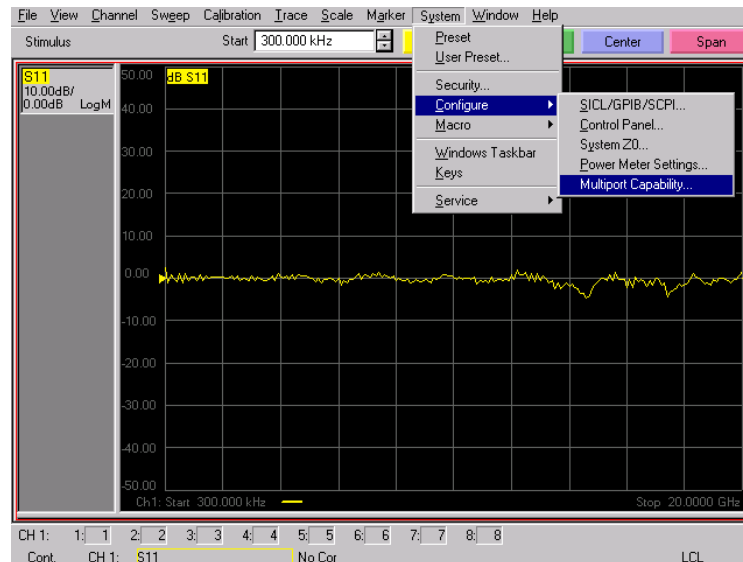
PNA Multiport Mode for E8364B or N5230A Option 551

PNA Multiport Mode selects the test set file or PNA to a normal state.

How to Access Multiport Mode

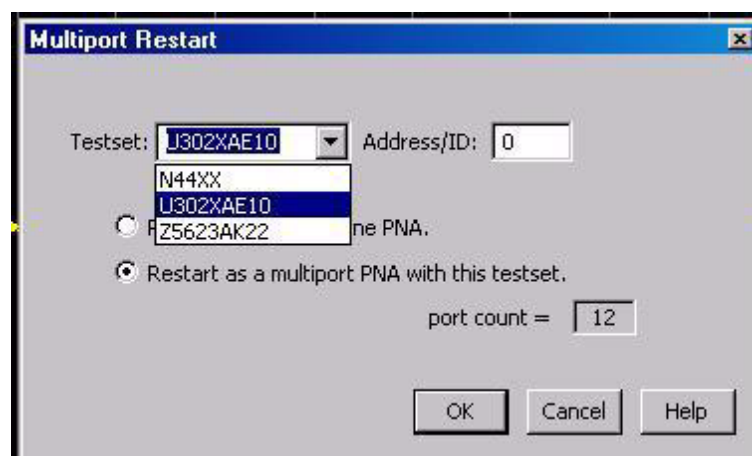
The Option 551 must be installed for Multiport capability. To access the multiport application select **System > Configure > Multiport Capability**. See [Figure 10](#).

Figure 10 System Configuration



Select **U302xAE10 (12-Port System)** from the test set drop-down menu and select **Restart as a Multiport PNA with this test set**. Press OK. The PNA will restart the network application with the U302xAE10 Multiport Test Set interface features. See [Figure 11](#).

Figure 11 U302xAE10 Selection



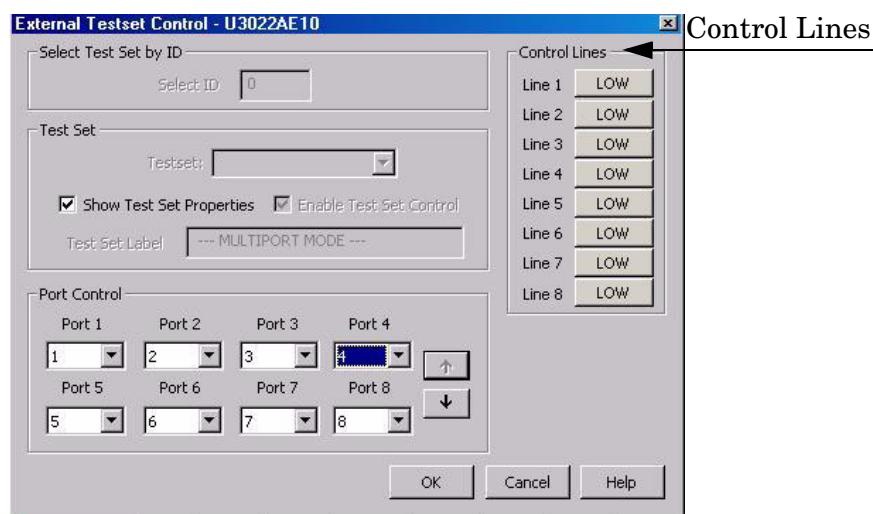
External Test Set Control Feature

To verify that the network application has the U302xAE10 interface features, select **Channel > External Test Set > Other**. The U302xAE10 will be displayed as **External Test Set Control-U302xAE10**. See [Figure 12](#).

This menu will allow the physical Ports 1 through 12 to be identified as any port for your convenience. For example; Port 5 can be named Port 2.

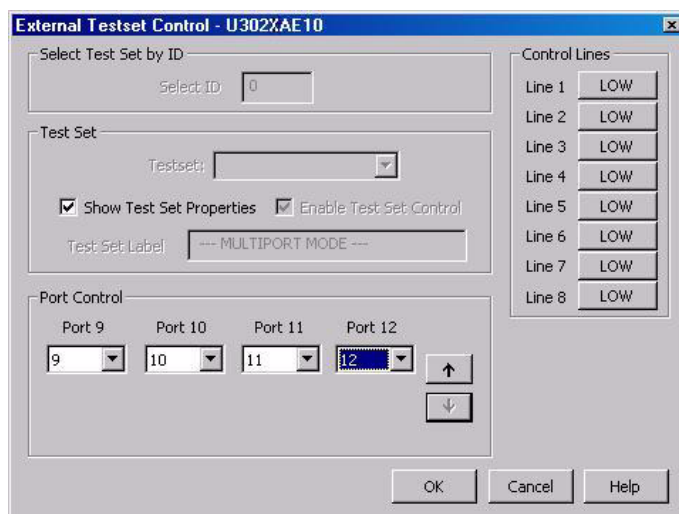
The **External Test Set Control-U302xAE10** also allows control of the DUT control lines, refer to [“Control Lines” on page 22](#). To change the state from LOW to HIGH, select the graphical user interface (GUI) for the specific control (LINE 1 through 8) and then press OK. Each line can be controlled separately, see [Figure 12](#).

Figure 12 External Test Set U302xAE10 (Port 1 - 8)



Select the **Port Control** down arrow for Ports 9 through 12, see [Figure 13](#).

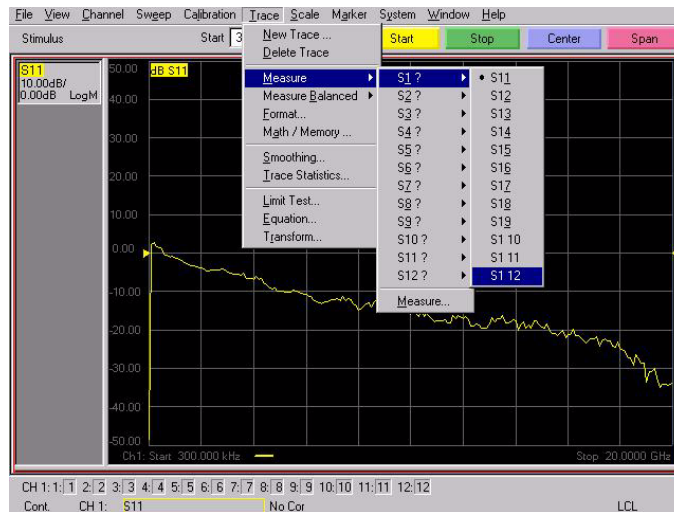
Figure 13 External Test Set U302xAE10 (Port 9 - 12)



Trace Measure S-Parameter

S-Parameter selection can be accomplished using **Trace Measure** menu. Select **TRACE > Measure**. Use the drop-down menus to select 1 of 144 S-Parameters for the 12-Port system, see [Figure 14](#). The first number in the Sxx selection is the Receiver Port and the second number will be the Source Port. Any port can be selected to be the Receiver, Source or both, as in S11. The front panel R LED indicates the port is the Receiver and the S LED indicates the port is the Source.

Figure 14 12-Port Trace Measure

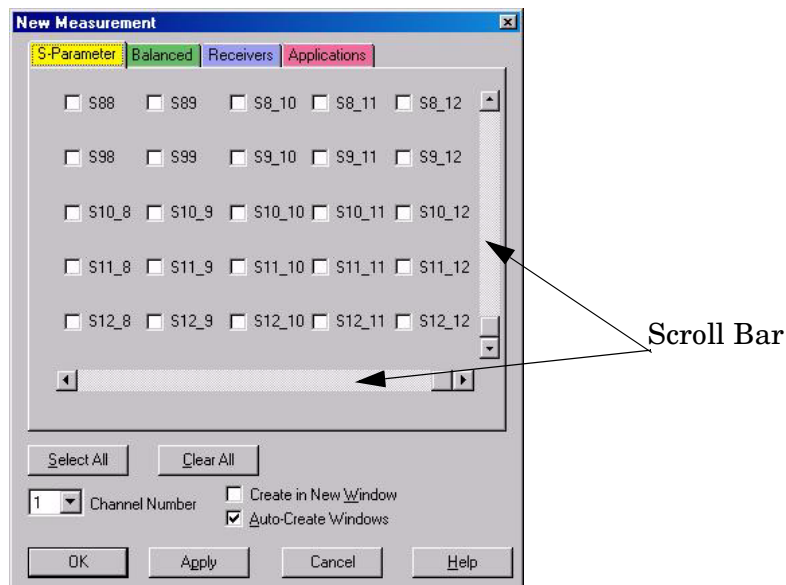


New Trace Measure S-Parameter

S-Parameter Tab: Multiple S-Parameters can be made from the **New Measurement** menu. In the drop-down menu select **Trace > New Trace**. The **New Measurement** window allows the selection of any of the 144 S-Parameter's. See [Figure 15](#) and [Figure 16](#).

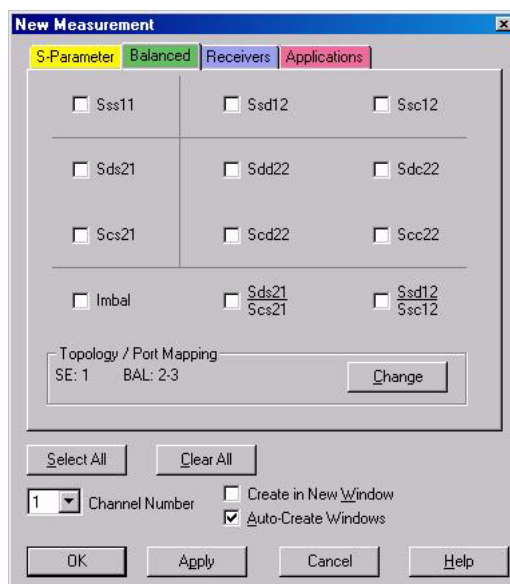
Figure 15 12-Port New Trace Measure (S11 - S88)



Figure 16 12-Port New Trace Measure (S88 - S12_12)

Balanced Tab: Balanced Measurements can be configured by selecting the Balance tab in the **New Measurement** menu. Refer to [Figure 17](#).

For more information on balanced (differential) component measurement, refer to the Application Note 1373-1 and 1373-2 (5988-5634EN and 5988-5635EN) at <http://www.home.agilent.com>. In the search menu type “**Multiport** and **Balanced**.”

Figure 17 Balance

Receiver Tab: The S-Parameter measurements can be ratioed with selectable Denominators for each port and receiver. Refer to the standard PNA documentation for more information.

Figure 18 Receiver Ports

New Measurement

S-Parameter **Balanced** **Receivers** **Applications**

	Numerator	Denominator	Source Port
Activate: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	b1	1.0	Port 1
Activate: <input type="checkbox"/>	b2	a4	Port 2
Activate: <input type="checkbox"/>	b3	a5	Port 3
Activate: <input type="checkbox"/>	b4	a6	Port 4
Activate: <input type="checkbox"/>	b5	a7	Port 5
Activate: <input type="checkbox"/>	b6	a8	Port 6
Activate: <input type="checkbox"/>	b7	1.0	Port 7
Activate: <input type="checkbox"/>	b8	1.0	Port 8

Select All Clear All

1 Channel Number ☐ Create in New Window ☒ Auto-Crete Windows

OK Apply Cancel Help

Control Lines

Table 8 contains the information to set the control lines of the U3025AE10 Test Set. Refer to “Operating the DUT Control Interface” on page 23.

NOTE All DUT control lines must be set with each command sent. Logic 0 = high

Table 8 Test Set DUT Control Address and Data

Address	Data	Data AD12–AD0	Description					Bit Data 0= +Voltage 1= –Voltage		
112	0	0000000000000	ALL DUT Control Lines set to 0 or + voltage							
112	255	0000001111111	ALL DUT Control Lines set to 0 or – voltage							
112	1	00000xxxxxxxB	DUT Control Line 1					0,1		
112	2	00000xxxxxxBx	DUT Control Line 2					0,1		
112	4	00000xxxxxBxx	DUT Control Line 3					0,1		
112	8	00000xxxxBxxx	DUT Control Line 4					0,1		
112	16	00000xxxBxxxx	DUT Control Line 5					0,1		
112	32	00000xxBxxxxx	DUT Control Line 6					0,1		
112	64	00000xBxxxxxx	DUT Control Line 7					0,1		
112	128	00000Bxxxxxxx	DUT Control Line 8					0,1		
Control Lines			Line 8	Line 7	Line 6	Line 5	Line 4	Line 3	Line 2	Line 1
Test Set I/O Bits			AD7	AD6	AD5	AD4	AD3	AD2	AD1	AD0
Bit Decimal Equivalent			128	64	32	16	8	4	2	1
Example 1 Data = 0			0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Example 2 Data = 21			0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1
X indicates unknown user bit state										
B indicates bit of interest										
There are 256 individual switch combinations for the U3025AE10. To select a test set DUT control line configuration, all 8 DUT control lines must be set. To do this you must add AD7 to AD0 binary number and convert this to a decimal equivalent.										

NOTE The bottom U3025AE10 DUT control lines will function in a 12-Port configuration. The top U3025AE10 DUT control lines will not operate.

Operating the DUT Control Interface

The 15 pin female D-Sub connector on the rear panel provides 8 latched data connections that can be used to control your DUT. An adjustable voltage source (+2 to +5 Vdc) is provided on the rear panel. A positive or negative external source can be used. Refer to [Table 10, “DUT Control Specifications,” on page 25](#).

Setting the DUT Control Interface

This section describes the electrical characteristics of the control line, connection to a DUT and an external dc power supply. For more information regarding the control lines refer to [Table 8, “Test Set DUT Control Address and Data,” on page 22](#).

Pin Assignment

Figure 19 Control Line Pin Assignment

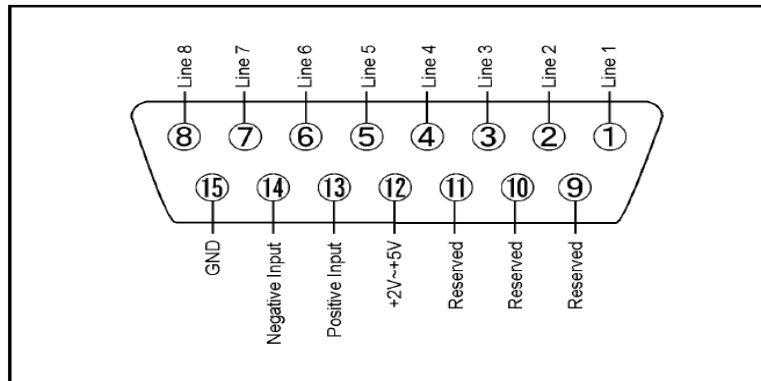
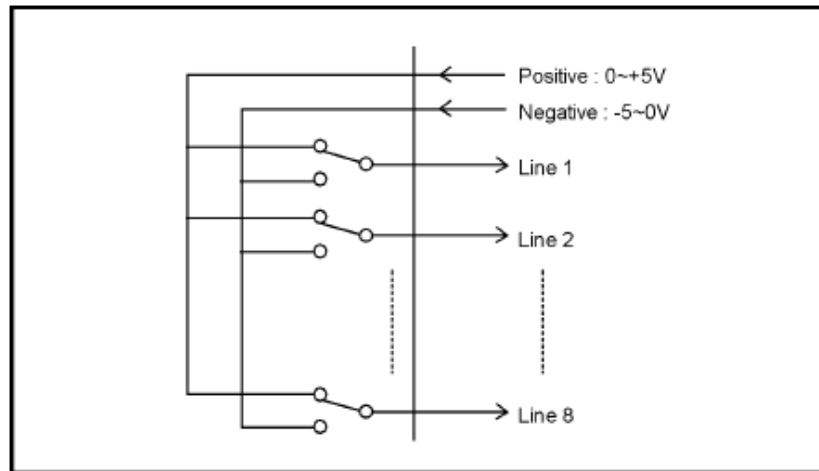


Table 9 Pin Assignment

Pin Number	Signal Name	Description
1	Line 1	Output port of line 1
2	Line 2	Output port of line 2
3	Line 3	Output port of line 3
4	Line 4	Output port of line 4
5	Line 5	Output port of line 5
6	Line 6	Output port of line 6
7	Line 7	Output port of line 7
8	Line 8	Output port of line 8
9		Not used
10		Not used
11		Not used
12	+2 V to +5 V	The voltage input to pin 13. (The voltage can be varied by rotating the voltage adjustment trimmer on the front panel).
13	Positive Input	Input a signal that is outputted when each line is high from pin 12 or external dc power supply.
14	Negative Input	Input a signal that is outputted when each line is low from the external dc power supply. Able to output 0 V as low from the each line by connecting to pin 15.
15	Gnd	ground terminal

Figure 20 Block Diagram of DUT Control**Table 10 DUT Control Specifications**

Item	Specifications
Connector Shape	15-pin female D-Sub
Voltage Range:	
Positive Input	0 to +5 V
Negative Input	-5 to 0 V
Maximum Current	100 mA (in total of each line)
Impedance	< 10 Ω
Range of Variable Voltage	+2 to +5 V

Setting the Variable Source Voltage

The output voltage of pin 12 can be varied from +2 to +5 V. Perform the following procedure to set the voltage:

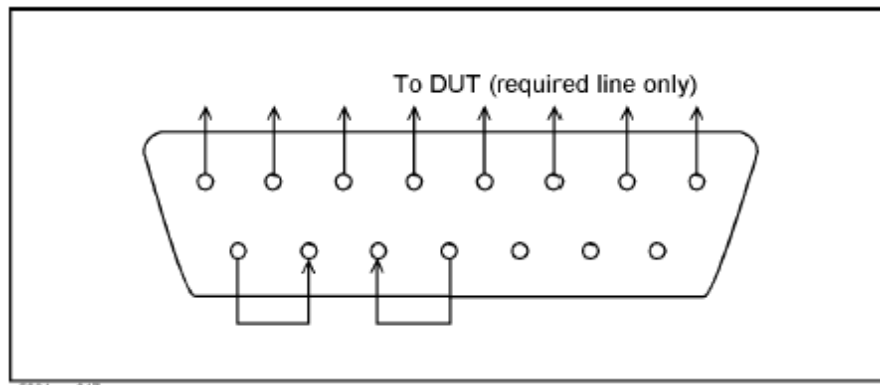
1. Turn On U3025AE10.
2. Measure the voltage between pin 12 and 15 using a multimeter.
3. Rotate the voltage adjustment trimmer on the front panel until the multimeter indicates the appropriate voltage.

Connecting the DUT to the Rear Panel Control Line Connector

Figure 21 illustrates an example of the connection between the DUT and the U3025AE10 *without* an external dc power supply. Input the signals from pin 12 and 15 to the Positive Input and Negative Input respectively and connect each line to the control terminal of the DUT.

CAUTION The path that can be shorted is between pin 12–13 and the pin 14–15 only. Damage may result if any other path is short-circuited.

Figure 21 Control Line Connector



Using an External Power Supply

Figure 22 illustrates an example of the connection between the DUT and the U3025AE10 with an external dc power supply. Input the High and Low signals from the external power supply to the Positive Input and Negative Input respectively, and connect each line to the control terminal of the DUT.

CAUTION The U3025AE10 may be damaged if a dc current is passed through it when it is turned Off. See the steps below.

CAUTION Do not short-circuit between the pins, it may cause damage.

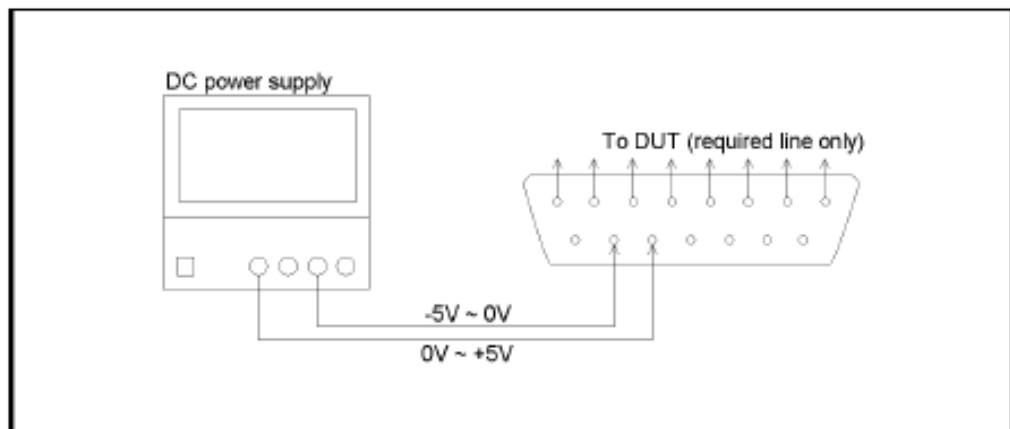
Turning On the U3025AE10 with Using an External Power Supply.

1. Turning On the U3025AE10.
2. Connect the DUT.
3. Turn On the external power supply.

Turning Off the U3025AE10 with Using an External Power Supply.

1. Turning Off the Power Supply.
2. Turning Off the U3025AE10.
3. Disconnect the DUT.

Figure 22 U3025AE10 to the DUT and External DC Power Supply



Operational Check

This section provides the test calibration procedure to confirm the U3025AE10 and PNA operational performance. The operation verification limits provided ensure that your U3025AE10 and PNA are operating properly.

Verification Limits

Specifications for the U3025AE10 Multiport Test Set are typical. System performance for the PNA and Test Set are only characteristic and intended as non warranted information. A functional certificate is provided for the U3025AE10 only.

It is recommended that you return your instrument to Agilent Technologies for servicing or repair if the Test Set and PNA performance exceed the operational verification limits.

NOTE Typical specifications are based on 1 to 2 units performance.

Table 11 Operation Verification Limit for Reflection Tracking (12-Port)

Frequency	Loss	Margin	PNA Reflection Tracking ¹	Customer Minimum Limit Values
10 MHz to 45 MHz	+2.0 dB	± 2.0 dB	± 1.5 dB	–1.5 dB
45 MHz to 500 MHz	+5.0 dB	± 2.0 dB	± 1.5 dB	+1.5 dB
500 MHz to 2 GHz	+3.5 dB	± 2.0 dB	± 1.5 dB	0.0 dB
2 GHz to 10 GHz	+1.5 dB	± 2.0 dB	± 1.5 dB	–2.0 dB
10 GHz to 20 GHz	–0.0 dB	± 2.0 dB	± 1.5 dB	–3.5 dB
20 GHz to 30 GHz	–4.5 dB	± 2.0 dB	± 1.5 dB	–8.0 dB
30 GHz to 40 GHz	–6.0 dB	± 2.0 dB	± 1.5 dB	–9.5 dB
40 GHz to 45 GHz	–7.5 dB	± 2.0 dB	± 2.0 dB	–11.5 dB
45 GHz to 50 GHz	–8.5 dB	± 2.0 dB	± 2.0 dB	–12.5 dB

1. Reflection Tracking takes into account Source Loss, Receiver Loss, Margin, and PNA Mixer Cal.

NOTE If you suspect that your 12-Port configuration is not operating properly, ensure that all front RF jumper interconnect cables are correctly attached.

Equipment Required

The Agilent U3025AE10 requires that the user be familiar with the equipment and components listed in [Table 12](#).

This section provides an equipment list and setup of the PNA and Test Set.

Table 12 Equipment List

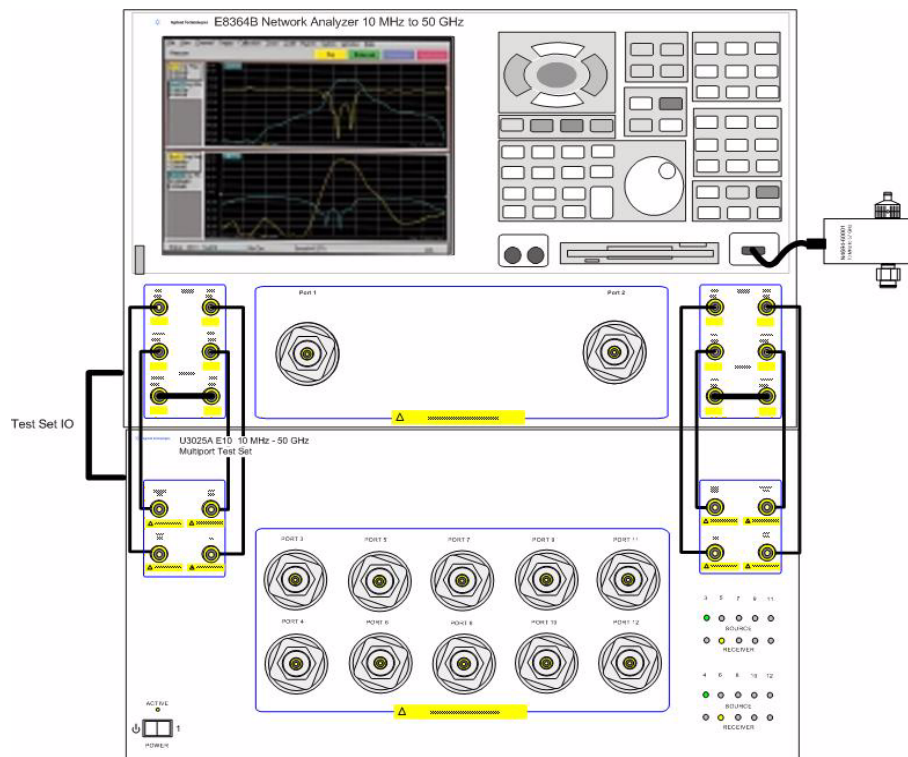
Description	Qty
E8364B 2-Port Network Analyzer (Option 014 or 551) <i>or</i> N5230A 2-Port Network Analyzer (Option 525 or 551)	1
N4693A ECal Module with a female connector, or a 2.4 mm Cal kit (85056B, 85057D, etc.)	1
Set of interconnect cables (PNA and Test Set), see “12-Port RF Cable Connections” on page 14 .	1

Operational Check Procedure

The sequence of this procedure is very important and must be followed or the performance accuracy and results may vary from the reference plots provided.

Prepare the PNA

1. Connect the Test Set to the E8364B PNA using the interconnect cables as shown in [Figure 9 on page 15](#) and [Table 7 on page 14](#).
2. On the PNA, press **Calibration > Cal Sets**. Delete or Rename any Cal Sets titled “999.1” thru “999.12” (12-Port), although it is unlikely that you will find Cal Sets with these names.
3. Verify that the PNA is in 12-Port mode by selecting **Trace > New Trace**.
 - a. If only four S-Parameters are listed, press **System > Configure > Multiport Capability**. On the Multiport Restart dialog, select **Restart as multiport PNA with this test set**. Select **U3025AE10** (12-Port).
4. Press **System > Preset**.
5. Verify that the **[Stop Frequency]** is set to the maximum of the PNA and test set.
6. Verify that the **[Start Frequency]** is set to **[10 MHz]**. If not, press **Channel > Start/Stop** and enter **[10 MHz]**.
7. Verify that the **[Power]** is set to **[–17 dBm]**. If not, press **[Power] > Power Level** and enter **[–17 dBm]**.
8. Select **Sweep > IF Bandwidth > 100 Hz**.
9. Select **Sweep > Number of Points > 401**.
10. Connect the ECal module to the PNA USB port on the front or rear panel. This procedure assumes you are using a ECal. If you are not, see [“1-Port Calibration Procedure”, step 2](#).

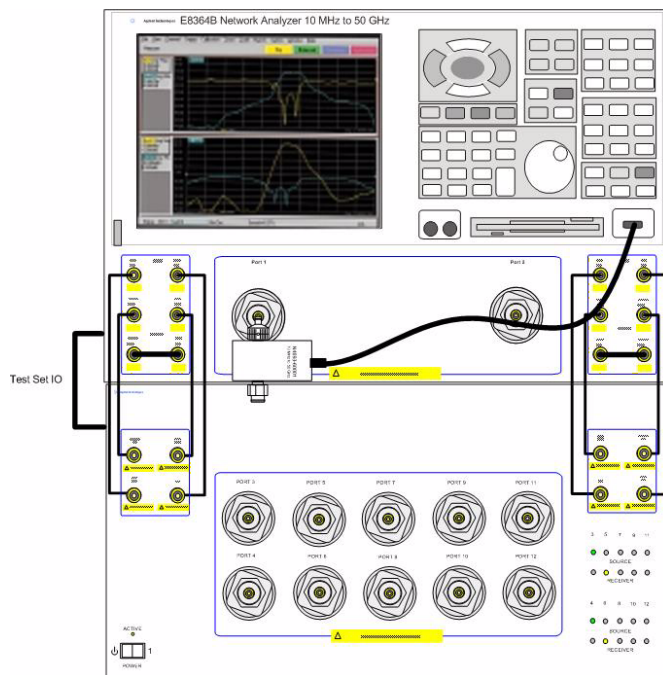
Figure 23 Test Set to PNA Connections

11. Allow the ECal module, Test Set and PNA to warm up for a minimum of 30 minutes.

1-Port Calibration Procedure

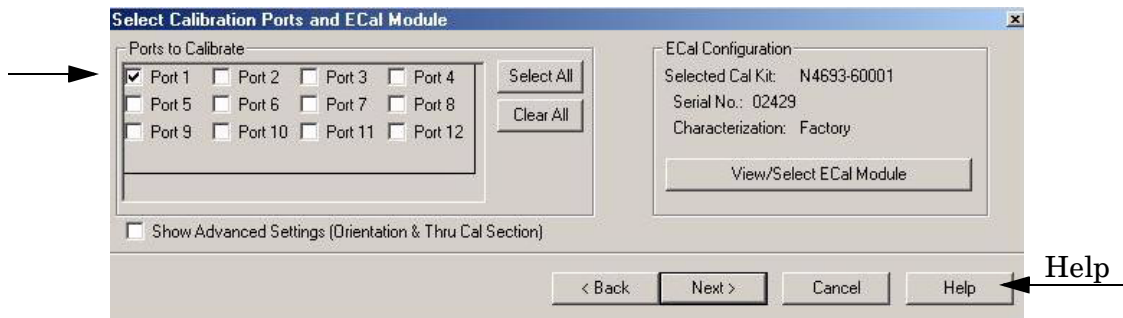
1. Connect the ECal or the mechanical cal kit to Port 1 or the port you are testing. Torque to 8 in-lb. For more information press the **Help** button, see [Figure 25](#).

Figure 24 ECal at Port 1



2. Perform a 1-Port Calibration on Port 1. On the PNA, press **Calibration** > **Calibration Wizard**.
 - a. If using a mechanical cal kit, select **SmartCal**.
 - b. If using an ECal module, select **ECal**.
3. Continue following the Cal Wizard prompts. In the “Select Calibration Ports and ECal Module” window, press **Clear All** and select **Port 1**, then press **Next**.

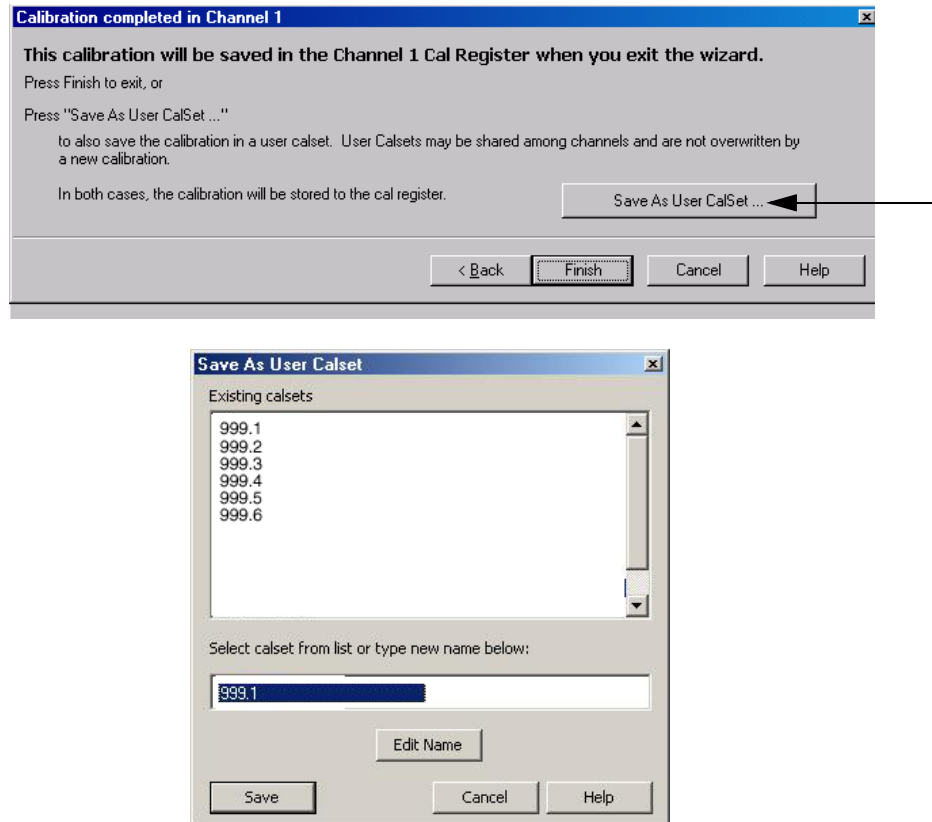
Figure 25 1-Port Calibration



4. In the “Electronic Calibration Step 1 of 1” window, press **Measure**.
5. At the Calibration Completed prompt, select **Save As User Calset** and type the name **999.1**. Overwrite the Calset if it already exists. Press **Save**.

NOTE If you do not have a key board, select **Save As User Calset > Edit Name** and save as **999.x**. X is the port number you are calibrating. See [Figure 26](#).

Figure 26 Calibration Complete

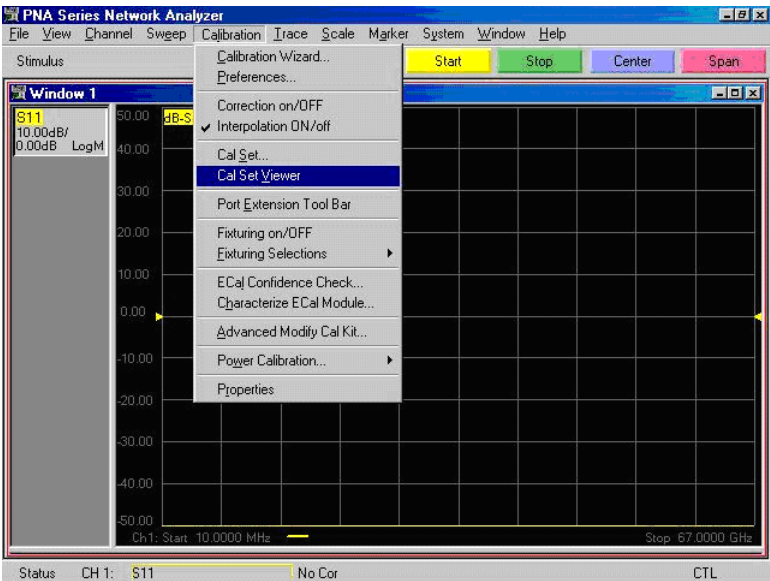


6. Repeat [step 1](#) thru [step 5](#) (1-Port Calibration Procedure) for Ports 2 thru 12. When finished, there should be twelve Cal Sets saved with the titles “999.1” thru “999.12” (12-Port).

If you are using an ECal module you can verify the individual port calibration by selecting **Calibration > ECal Confidence Check**. For further information refer to the system **Help** menu.

7. Press **Trace > Delete Trace**. There should be no traces on the PNA screen.
8. Select **Calibration > Cal Set Viewer** to launch the Cal Set Viewer toolbar. Refer to [Figure 27 on page 34](#).

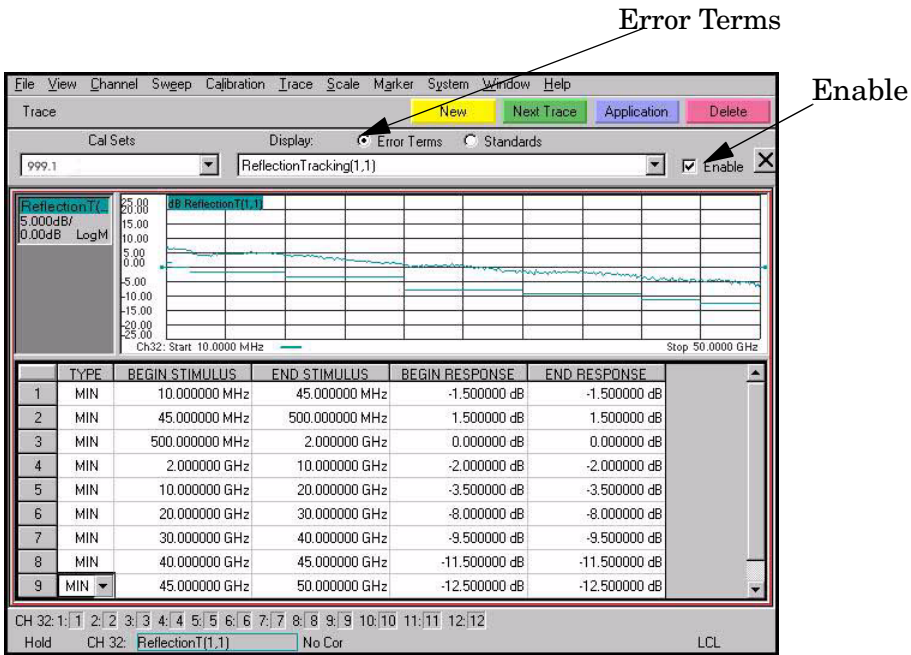
Figure 27 Calibration, Cal Set Viewer



9. From the Cal Sets drop-down menu, select **999.x** (the next sequential number). Select the **Reflection Tracking(1,1)** term in the center drop-down menu and ensure that the **Enable** and **Error Terms** are selected as shown in Figure 28.

NOTE You may also create a table on the PNA and enter the limit line stimulus and response values. Select **Limit Test ON** and **Limit Line ON**, and press **Show Table**. See Figure 28.

Figure 28 Limit Values for Reflection Tracking Trace (Port 1-12)



10. Compare the Reflection Tracking (1,1) trace to the appropriate limits in [Table 11 on page 28](#). This can be done using Limit Lines (press **Trace > Limit Test**) or **Marker**. The trace should be above the limit line and PASS will be displayed on the screen. Refer to [Figure 28 on page 34](#).
11. Repeat [step 9](#) and [step 10](#) for Cal Sets “999.1” thru “999.12” (12-Port).

Figure 29 E8364B Reflection Tracking Trace (Ports 1-12)



Troubleshooting Operational Check Failures

If your test results fail the Operational Check limits, check the following before contacting Agilent:

1. Check all appropriate PNA and test set connectors for damage, cleanliness, and proper torque.
2. Repeat the relevant 1-Port calibrations.
3. Make sure the stand-alone PNA is operating properly and meeting its published specifications. See http://na.tm.agilent.com/pna/pna_testing.html for more information.

Theory of Operation

The following is a description of the operation of the U3025AE10. Reference the U3025AE10 block diagrams shown in [Figure 30 on page 37](#). This section assumes the user has a general understanding of couplers, switches, and network analyzers.

RF Switch Components

All RF switches are mechanical. The Frequency range is DC to 50 GHz. The switches select the RF paths from the PNA Source and Receiver through interconnect cables to Test Set port paths 3 through 12.

Source to Odd Ports (1-11)

The Port 1 Source Output from the PNA is routed into a matrix of switches in the Test Set. This matrix routes the Source to one of the 6 odd ports and terminates the other odd ports.

Source to Even Ports (2-12)

The Port 2 Source Output from the PNA is routed into a matrix of switches in the Test Set. This matrix routes the Source to one of the 6 even ports and terminates the other even ports.

Receiver to Odd Ports (1-11)

The Port 1 Receiver Input from the PNA is routed into a matrix of switches in the Test Set. This matrix routes one of the signals from the 6 odd ports to the PNA “A Receiver” and terminates the other odd ports.

Receiver to Even Ports (2-12)

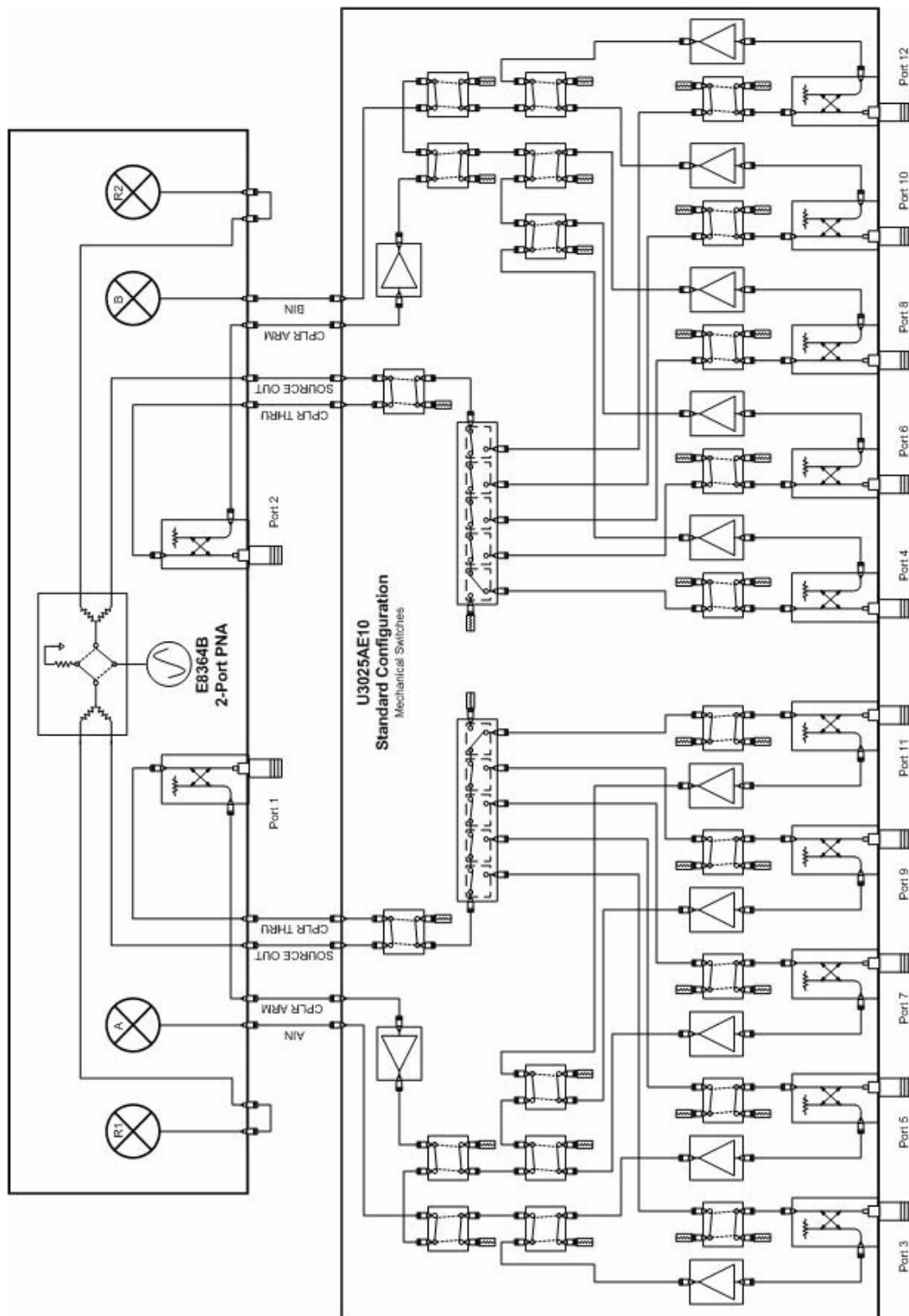
The Port 2 Receiver Input from the PNA is routed into a matrix of switches in the Test Set. This matrix routes one of the signals from the 6 even ports to the PNA “B Receiver” and terminates the other even ports.

RF Coupler Components

Test set ports (3 - 12) provide the signal separation of the source and receiver paths. The test set ports can either stimulate or receive a signal to the DUT.

System Block Diagrams

Figure 30 Standard Configuration



Service Information

Refer to [“Contacting Agilent Sales and Service Offices”](#) on page 44.

WARNING **No operator serviceable parts inside. Refer servicing to qualified personnel. To prevent electrical shock do not remove covers.**

WARNING **These servicing instructions are for use by qualified personnel only. To avoid electrical shock, do not perform any servicing unless you are qualified to do so.**

Replaceable Parts

NOTE Special options are built to order, so long lead times may be encountered when ordering replacement parts.

Description	Agilent Part Number
Interconnect Cable	8120-6818
RF Cable, Semi-rigid	U3025-20044
RF Cable, Semi-rigid	U3025-20045

Safety and Regulatory Information

Introduction

Review this product and related documentation to familiarize yourself with safety markings and instructions before you operate the instrument. The documentation contains information and warnings that must be followed by the user to ensure safe operation and to maintain the product in a safe condition.

Before Applying Power

Verify that the product is configured to match the available main power source. If this product is to be powered by autotransformer, make sure the common terminal is connected to the neutral (grounded) side of the ac power supply.

Connector Care and Cleaning

If alcohol is used to clean the connectors, the power cord to the instrument must be removed. All cleaning should take place in a well ventilated area. Allow adequate time for the fumes to disperse and moist alcohol to evaporate prior to energizing the instrument.

WARNING	To prevent electrical shock, disconnect the Agilent Technologies model product from mains before cleaning. Use a dry cloth or one slightly dampened with water to clean the external case parts. Do not attempt to clean internally.
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Shipping Instructions

You must always call the Agilent Technologies Instrument Support Center to initiate service before retuning your instrument to a service office. See [“Contacting Agilent Sales and Service Offices” on page 44](#). Always transport or ship the instrument using the original packaging if possible. If not, comparable packaging must be used. Attach a complete description of the failure symptoms.

Declaration of Conformity

A declaration of conformity is on file for the PNA models, and a copy is available upon request.

Compliance with German Noise Requirements

This is to declare that this instrument is in conformance with the German Regulation on Noise Declaration for Machines (Laermangabe nach der Maschinenlaermrrordnung-3. GSGV Deutschland).

Acoustic Noise Emission/Geraeuschemission	
LpA<70 dB	Lpa<70 dB
Operator Position	am Arbeitsplatz
Normal Operation	normaler Betrieb
per ISO 7779	nach DIN 45635 t. 19

EMC Information

Complies with European EMC Directive 89/336/EEC, amended by 93/68/EEC

- IEC/EN 61326

This product complies with the radiated electromagnetic field immunity requirement in IEC/EN 61326 using performance criterion B. Degradation of some product specifications can occur in the presence of ambient electromagnetic fields. The product self-recovers and operates as specified when the ambient field is removed.

- CISPR Pub 11 Group 1, class A
- AS/NZS CISPR 11:2002
- This ISM device complies with Canadian ICES-001.
Cet appareil ISM est conforme a la norme NMB du Canada.

Safety Information

Complies with European Low Voltage Directive 2006/95/EC

- IEC/EN 61010-1:2001
- Canada: CSA C22.2 No. 61010-1:2001
- USA: UL 61010-1

Warnings

WARNING	The WARNING notice denotes a hazard. It calls attention to a procedure, practice, or the like, which if not correctly performed or adhered to, could result in personal injury. Do not proceed beyond a WARNING notice until the indicated conditions are fully understood and met.
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Warnings applicable to this instrument are:

WARNING	To prevent electrical shock, disconnect the Agilent Technologies U3025AE10 from the mains before cleaning. Use a dry cloth or one slightly dampened with water to clean the external case parts. Do not attempt to clean internally.
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WARNING	For continued protection against fire hazard replace line fuse only with same type and rating: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• United States—F 5A/250V, Part Number 2110-0709• Europe—F 5A/250V, Part Number 2110-0709 The use of other fuses or material is prohibited.
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WARNING	This is a Safety Class I product (provided with a protective earthing ground incorporated in the power cord). The mains plug shall be inserted only into a socket outlet provided with a protective earth contact. Any interruption of the protective conductor, inside or outside the instrument, is likely to make the instrument dangerous. Intentional interruption is prohibited.
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WARNING	No operator serviceable parts inside. Refer servicing to qualified personnel. To prevent electrical shock do not remove covers.
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WARNING	The opening of covers or removal of parts is likely to expose dangerous voltages. Disconnect the instrument from all voltage sources while it is being opened.
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WARNING	If this product is not used as specified, the protection provided by the equipment could be impaired. This product must be used in a normal condition (in which all means for protection are intact) only.
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WARNING	The detachable power cord is the instrument disconnecting device. It disconnects the mains circuits from the mains supply before other parts of the instrument. The front panel switch is only a standby switch and is not a LINE switch (disconnecting device).
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Cautions

CAUTION	The CAUTION notice denotes a hazard. It calls attention to an operating procedure, practice, or the like, which if not correctly performed or adhered to, could result in damage to the product or loss of important data. Do not proceed beyond a CAUTION notice until the indicated conditions are fully understood and met.
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Cautions applicable to this instrument are:











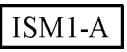

CAUTION	Always use the three-prong ac power cord supplied with this instrument. Failure to ensure adequate earth grounding (by not using this cord) can cause instrument damage.
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CAUTION	This instrument has autoranging line voltage input; be sure the supply voltage is within the specified range.
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CAUTION	Ventilation Requirements: When installing the instrument in a cabinet, the convection into and out of the instrument must not be restricted. The ambient temperature (outside the cabinet) must be less than the maximum operating temperature of the instrument by 4 °C for every 100 watts dissipated in the cabinet. If the total power dissipated in the cabinet is greater than 800 watts, forced convection must be used.
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CAUTION	This product is designed for use in Installation Category II and Pollution Degree 2 per IEC 61010-1:2000, and 664 respectively.
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Instrument Markings

	When you see this symbol on your instrument, you should refer to the instrument's instruction manual for important information.
	This symbol indicates hazardous voltages.
	This symbol indicates that the instrument requires alternating current (ac) input.
	This symbol indicates separate collection for electrical and electronic equipment, mandated under EU law as of August 13, 2005. All electric and electronic equipment are required to be separated from normal waste for disposal (Reference WEEE Directive, 2002/96/EC).
	This symbol indicates that the power line switch is ON.
	This symbol indicates that the power line switch is OFF or in STANDBY position.
	Safety Earth Ground. This is a Safety Class I product (provided with a protective earthing terminal). An uninterruptible safety earth ground must be provided from the main power source to the product input wiring terminals, power cord, or supplied power cord set. Whenever it is likely that the protection has been impaired, the product must be made inoperative and secured against any unintended operation.
	The CE mark is a registered trademark of the European Community. (If accompanied by a year, it is when the design was proven.)
	The CSA mark is a registered trademark of the Canadian Standards Association.
	This is a marking to indicate product compliance with the Canadian Interference-Causing Equipment Standard (ICES-001).
	This is a symbol of an Industrial Scientific and Medical Group 1 Class A product.
	This is a required mark signifying compliance with an EMC requirement. The C-Tick mark is a registered trademark of the Australian Spectrum Management Agency.

Contacting Agilent Sales and Service Offices

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<http://www.agilent.com/find/assist>

You can also purchase accessories or documentation items on the Internet at:

<http://www.agilent.com/find>

If you do not have access to the Internet, contact your field engineer.

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