

Modulation Analyzer FMAV

Modulation analysis for VOR/ILS air navigation

Modulation Analyzer FMAV, a member of the FMA family, features the versatile measurement functions of the FMA basic model and fulfills the requirements for measurements on ground stations of VOR/ILS air navigation systems.

With its extremely low measurement error achieved by means of digital signal processing, FMAV meets the stringent requirements placed on measuring instruments for ILS systems of category III.

The comprehensive measurement functions make FMAV ideal for all modulation measurements including phase measurements on ILS/VOR systems as well as for use as a calibrator for VOR/ILS signal generators.

FMAV has been designed especially for air-traffic control authorities, airport operators as well as for manufacturers of air navigation test systems and airborne systems.

Due to its unrivalled measurement accuracy, comprehensive measurement functions and great ease of operation, FMAV ensures an extremely high reliability standard of air navigation systems.





All essential test parameters can be read at a glance on clearly arranged LCD displays

Special FMAV measurements

- Selective modulation depth measurement on VOR/ILS systems with an error of less than 0.8% (for ILS: ≤0.5%)
- DDM measurement with an error of ≤0.0002 DDM for localizer and ≤0.0005 DDM for glide path
- Deviation measurement of VOR subcarrier
- Modulation frequency measurement of VOR/ILS signals
- ILS/VOR phase measurement with extremely high accuracy and resolution down to 0.001°

General FMAV measurements

- RF frequency measurement with 10-digit readout and error ≤10 Hz at 100 MHz within calibration interval thanks to highly stable reference oscillator (aging <10⁻⁹/day)
- AM, FM and φM measurements over a wide modulation frequency range
- AF measurement with 5-digit readout
- Selective distortion and intermodulation measurement
- Universal filter capabilities, psophometric weighting filters (optional)
- AF voltage measurement
- RF power measurement with error of typ. <0.5 dB

Characteristics

In addition to the broadband analog demodulators, AF filters and detectors of the FMA basic model, FMAV has a signal processor.

This signal processor module allows the relatively narrowband modulation contents of air navigation signals to be sampled at the IF already and then digitally demodulated, filtered and evaluated.

The IF is digitized by a 16-bit A/D converter; the digital sampling values are further processed by the signal processor.

In contrast to analog demodulators, filters and detectors, the digital AF filters of the signal processor module are practically error-free and have no drift whatsoever due to aging or temperature.

The digitally demodulated and filtered signals are additionally converted into analog signals by a D/A converter and are available as two channels at two BNC connectors on the rear panel, eg for visual checking on an oscilloscope.

Operation

Due to its versatile measurement functions, the FMAV is menu-controlled so that there is no need for a great number of individual keys.

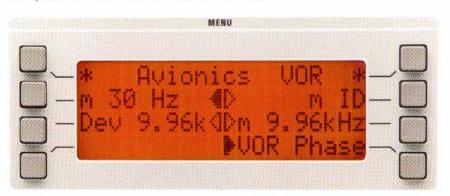
A minimum number of main function keys as well as an alphanumeric menu display with four softkeys down each side make for clear front-panel layout and fast access to the desired measurement functions. Important functions are at the top of the menu hierarchy, the number of submenu levels being limited to a maximum of three so that finding one's way in the menu is easy.

Three large, illuminated LCD displays simultaneously read out the measured values for:

- · carrier frequency or power
- modulation depth, deviation or DDM
- modulation frequency, distortion or phase

Device status and settings are also displayed.

Softkeys enable fast access to desired measurement functions



Parameters, like for instance a reference value for relative display, can be entered via the numeric keypad and are terminated with one of the ENTER keys (unit/multiplier key). The fact that up to 20 complete setups can be stored considerably enhances the measurement reliability in complex applications.

Modulation Analyzer FMAV features full remote-control capability. The IECbus interface complies with the IEEE 488.2 standard and enables plain-text

FUNCTION

RF DEMOD AUDIO

SPEC FUNC FILTER DETECTOR

CALIBRATE INFO MENUBACK

The few main function keys make the FMAV userfriendly:

RF

All RF settings such as tuning

frequency, input level,

RF frequency counter

Selecting the demodulation

AUDIO

DEMOD

Setting the audio frequency

counter or the DIST/SINAD

meter

SPEC FUNC Special functions like voltmeter

mode, IEC/IEEE-bus address, bargraph indicator, control etc.

FILTER Sele

Selecting the audio filters

DETECTOR Se

Selecting the detector for the

modulation display

CALIBRATE

Calibration functions

INFO

Readout of all internal settings on

the menu display

MENU BACK Going back a level in the menu

tree

programming, which greatly facilitates program writing. The inquiry for the ILS DDM value, for instance, reads: DEMODULATION: AVIONICS:ILS:DDM?

Measurement functions

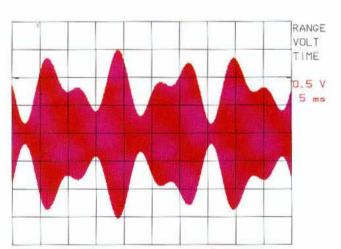
ILS signals

- Selective measurement of 90-Hz, 150-Hz and sum modulation depth without influence from additional signals (identifiers) with an error of less than 0.5% of reading
- Measurement of modulation depth of identifier signal in the range from 300 Hz to 4 kHz without influence from ILS signals
- High-precision DDM measurement with an error of less than 0.0002 DDM for localizer and 0.0005 DDM for alide path

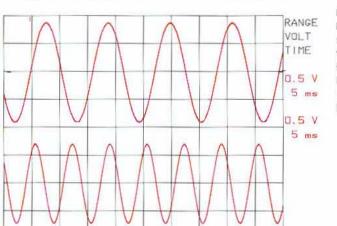
- Selective measurement of modulation frequency
- 90-Hz/150-Hz phase measurement
- Unaffected selective measurement of all ILS distortion products

VOR signals

- Selective measurement of 30-Hz and 9.96-kHz modulation depth
- Modulation-depth measurement of identifier signal in the range from 300 Hz to 4 kHz without impairment from VOR signal
- Deviation measurement on 9.96-kHz subcarrier
- Modulation-frequency measurement at 30 Hz, 9.96 kHz and of FM-demodulated 30-Hz signal
- High-precision phase measurement on 30-Hz signals (error <0.02°)



ILS signal
DDM=0.1 Δφ=45°;
90 Hz: m=45 %,
φ=0°;
150 Hz: m=35 %,
φ=45°



Demodulated ILS signal top: 90 Hz $\{\phi=0^\circ\}$, filtered; bottom: 150 Hz $\{\phi=45^\circ\}$, filtered

TACAN signals*)

- Selective measurement of 15-Hz, 135-Hz and sum modulation depth with an error of less than 0.5% of reading
- Phase measurement 15 Hz/135 Hz
- Selective measurements of modulation frequency
- Distortion measurement (optional) using the standard analog AM demodulator at all modulation frequencies from 10 Hz to 100 kHz

In-depth AF analysis

Certified Quality System

based on selective harmonic distortion and intermodulation measurement is standard with the FMAV

- Selective harmonic distortion measurement of d₂, d₃, ... d_i
- True THD measurement of intermodulation products to IEC 268-3
- Universal measurement of intermodulation products to IEC 268-3
- Scaled display of AF spectrum by direct connection of an oscilloscope
- Selective distortion measurement on n x 30 Hz components (ILS signal)
- Baseband ILS and VOR measurements at voltmeter input

Options

The options available for the FMA basic model can also be used for the FMAV as far as they are appropriate for the FMAV applications.

Filter FMA-B1

This filter option contains universal analog AF filters, of which CCITT filter P53 is of special interest, since it allows weighted noise measurements in radiotelephone systems.

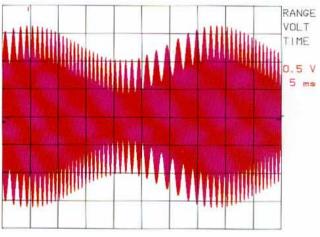
AM/FM Calibrator/AF Generator FMA-B4

The high-precision internal modulation source (error <0.1%) is used for calibrating the built-in analog demodulators and the AF measurement section. It also enables a simple performance check of the digital VOR/ILS measurement section.

Since this option is able to produce high-precision VOR/ILS baseband signals (2 rear AF outputs), signal generators can be modulated and hence be used in VOR/ILS systems.

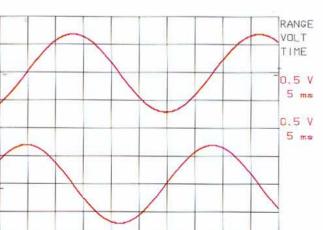
RF/IF Selection FMA-B9 (model .57)

The retrofitable option RF/IF selection from 5 to 400 MHz extends the FMAV to a calibrated VOR/ILS receiver of high sensitivity for off-air measurements.



VOR signal
30 Hz: m=30 %,
φ=90°
9.96 kHz*): m=30 %
FM:
deviation 480 Hz
f_{mod}=30 Hz
phase=0°
(reference)

Demodulated



VOR signal top: FM-demodulated reference signal (φ=0°) bottom: AM-demodulated signal, 30-Hz filtering (φ=90°)

Measurements are possible only on nonpulsed signals, not on realworld TACAN signals.

^{*)} Frequency not to scale

Specifications

Frequency range Frequency tuning Display

Resolution Frequency error Reference oscillator

RF input

Aging After 30 days of operation Temperature effect Warmup time

External reference input/output

0.1/1/10/100 Hz selectable ±1 digit + error of reference frequency

10-digit readout

50 kHz to 1360 MHz

automatic1) or manual

1 x 10⁻⁷/year 1 x 10⁻⁹ /day 2 x 10⁻⁹ /°C 15 min

manual or remote-controlled switchover $Z_{in} = 50 \Omega$, N connector, VSWR < 1.4

with 10-dB attenuation up to 5 W (15 V RMS) 25 V [including DC]

RF power measurement Frequency range

Overload protection

Maximum peak voltage

Power measurement range Measurement error $0.18 \,\mu W \leq P < 0.1 \,mW$ P ≥0.1 mW

50 kHz to 1360 MHz $0.18 \,\mu\text{W}$ to $1 \,\text{W}$ (-37.5 to + 30 dBm)

 $\leq 1.5 \text{ dB} \pm 0.05 \,\mu\text{W}$ ≤1 dB (typ. 0.5 dB)

Amplitude modulation measurement

Modulation frequency range Resolution

10 Hz to 200 kHz 0.1% of rdg; max 0.001% AM

Measurement error²) with peak detection (% of rdg, plus peak residual AM)

f _{in}	50 to 300 kHz	300 kHz to 10 MHz	≥ 10 MHz	error
		f _{mod}		v.
m≤80%	30 Hz to 3 kHz	30 Hz to 10 kHz	30 Hz to 20 kHz	≤0.8%
m≤95%	-	30 Hz to 20 kHz	30 Hz to 100 kHz	≤1%
	10 Hz to 8 kHz	10 Hz to 20 kHz	10 Hz to 100 kHz	≤2%
	4	10 Hz to 50 kHz	10 Hz to 200 kHz	≤5%

≤0.01%

Residual AM3)

to CCITT 20 Hz to 23 kHz, RMS to CCIR

≤0.03% ≤0.05%

Incidental AM in FM mode (f_{mod} = 1 kHz, meas. bandwidth 20 Hz to 3 kHz)

fin = 50 kHz to 10 MHz,

deviation=5 kHz < 0.2% f_{in}≥10 MHz, deviation =50 kHz < 0.1%

AF distortion4) for $f_{mod} = 10 Hz$ to 20 kHz

m=40% <0.2% 40% <m ≤80% ≤0.4%

Frequency modulation measurement

Modulation frequency range

10 Hz to 200 kHz

Maximum measureable deviation for

fin	50 to 300 kHz	300 kHz to 10 MHz	≥10 MHz
	f _{in} /10	150 kHz	700 kHz

Measurement error²⁾ with peak detection (plus peak residual FM)

fin	50 to 300 kHz		300 kHz to 10 MHz		≥10 MHz	
	f _{mod}	error	f _{mod}	error	f _{mod}	error
	30 Hz to 5 kHz	≤0.5%	30 Hz to 10 kHz	≤0.5%	30 Hz to 20 kHz	≤0.5%
	10 Hz to 8 kHz	≤2%	30 Hz to 20 kHz	≤1%	30 Hz to 100 kHz	≤1%
			10 Hz to 50 kHz	≤2%	10 Hz to 200 kHz	≤2%

Resolution better than 0.1% of rdg (min. 0.1 Hz)

Residual FM31 for fin ≤340 MHz ≤680 MHz ≤1360 MHz ≤0.7 Hz to CCITT, RMS < 0.5 Hz ≤1 Hz <5 Hz 20 Hz to 23 kHz, RMS ≤2 Hz ≤3 Hz CCIR, quasipeak + 50 µs deemph. ≤3 Hz ≤4 Hz ≤6 Hz

75 kHz AF distortion for deviation

f_{in}≥10 MHz f_{mod} =30 Hz to 20 kHz⁵} f_{mod} =20 to 100 kHz f_{in} >500 kHz

fmod = 30 Hz to 20 kHz

Incidental FM (m=50%, f_{mod}=1 kHz, BW=20 Hz to 3 kHz,

plus peak residual FM) Deemphasis

<10 Hz 50/75/750 µs selectable, effective at AF output and, if selected, for readout

500 kHz

< 0.2% ≤0.5%

of results

< 0.05%

≤0.15%

≤0.1%

Phase modulation measurement

200 Hz to 200 kHz Modulation frequency range Maximum measurable deviation (up to max. 1 kHz AF, -6 dB/octave for

f 1 kHz1

fin	50 to 300 kHz	300 kHz to 10 MHz	≥10 MHz
	1/10 x f _{in} /kHz x 1 rad	150 rad	700 rad

Error2) of peak detection (plus peak residual pM)

f_{mod}	300 Hz to 5 kHz	300 Hz to 10 kHz	300 Hz to 100 kHz
Transfer of	≤2%	≤2%	≤2%

Resolution

<0.1% [minimum 0.0001 rad]

>680 MHz

≤0.004 rad

<0.01 rad

Residual ϕM^{3} for f_{in} CCITT weighting 300 Hz to 23 kHz

AF distortion (at AF output), f_{mod} = 200 Hz to 20 kHz, ∆φ=4 rad, f_{in}≥500 kHz

< 0.1%

≤680 MHz

<0.002 rad

≤0.005 rad

< 0.1%

±10 μV to 20 V

AF voltmeter

DC voltage measurement

Range Offset voltage⁶) unbalanced input

balanced input Resolution

3-kHz lowpass filter 5-Hz lowpass filter (with filter option)

 $\pm 0.5\% \pm 100 \,\mu\text{V} \pm \text{offset voltage}$ ±0.5% ± 10 μV ± offset voltage

10 Hz to 300 kHz 30 μV to 20 V

age measurements

0.1% of rdg

≤3 mV Jusing offset function

≤1 mV \can be corrected to ≤30 μV

AC voltage measurement Frequency range Measurement range Resolution Error (RMS detector)

30 Hz to 20 kHz 10 Hz to 100 kHz 10 Hz to 200 kHz

Weighting facilities

Inputs unbalanced balanced

input impedance 100 kΩ || 50 pF, BNC connector

input impedance 600 Ω , three-contact connectors to DIN 41628

positive or negative peak of AF or the

true RMS-responding rectifiers, readout

as RMS value or converted to peak for

arithmetic mean of the two

detector to CCIR Rec. 468-4

≤1% ± 30 µV (100-kHz lowpass filter)

≤2% ± 100 µV (without lowpass filter)

≤3% ± 100 µV (without lowpass filter)

all AF measuring facilities, such as de-

tector, filter, frequency counter and distortion meter, can also be used in volt-

AF detector

Peak detector

RMS detector

Quasipeak detector

Weighting filters Highpass filters

10 Hz (2nd order) 20 Hz (3rd order) 300 Hz (2nd order)

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Lowpass filters

3 kHz (4th order) 23 kHz (4th order, combined with 20-Hz highpass filter to CCIR 468-4, unweighted) 100 kHz (4th order)

Filter option

CCIR 468-4 (weighted) CCITT P53

5-Hz lowpass (for DC measurement) 30-kHz Bessel lowpass, 4th order 120-kHz Bessel lowpass, 4th order 4.2-kHz Cauer lowpass special oM filter (phase modulation for modulation frequency ≤10 Hz)

external filters possible

AF frequency display

Frequency range Resolution

5 digits 10 Hz to 300 kHz 1 mHz to 10 Hz $\pm 0.005\% \pm 3 \text{ mHz} \pm 1 \text{ digit}$

Selective distortion measurement

Readout Display range

in % or dB 0.001 to 20%, -100 to -14 dB

Measurement of individual distortion d; (i = 2, 3, ... 10)

Measurement error

 $10 \text{ Hz} \le f_1 \le 14 \text{ kHz}, f_{di} \le 42 \text{ kHz}$

 \leq 5% of rdg \pm 0.02% absolute

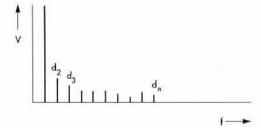
THD measurement

Measurement of harmonic i = n (n = 2 to 10 selectable)

Measurement error

 $10 \text{ Hz} \le f_1 \le 14 \text{ kHz}, f_{dn} \le 42 \text{ kHz}$

≤5% of rdg ± 0.03% absolute



Intermodulation measurement

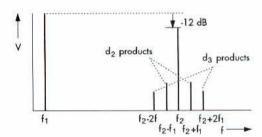
Intermodulation distortion d₂, d₃ to DIN 45403 and IEC 268-3

Readout Display range in % or dB 0.001 to 20% -100 to -14 dB

Measurement error

 $f_2 + 2 \times f_1 \le 42 \text{ kHz}, f_1 \ge 10 \text{ Hz}$

≤5% of rdg ± 0.1% absolute



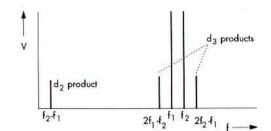
Difference-frequency distortion d₂, d₃ to DIN 45403 and IEC 268-3

Readout Display range

0.001 to 20% 100 to -14 dB

Measurement error (f₂-f₁ ≥30 Hz) $2 \times f_2 - f_1 \le 42 \text{ kHz}$

 \leq 5% of rdg \pm 0.05% absolute



Measurement of distortion and intermodulation products on ILS signals

(AM with 90 Hz, 150 Hz (DDM=0) and identifier signal 1020 Hz)

Selectable single or total harmonic distortion (THD) measurement on 90 Hz, 150 Hz and 1020 Hz

components Accuracy

≤5% of rda ±0.1% absolute

Selective distortion measurement of n x 30 Hz components from 30 to 1200 Hz relative to 90 Hz

component (=100%) Accuracy

≤5% of rdg ±0.1% absolute

Total harmonic distortion (THD) measurement of speech channel from 300 Hz to 3 kHz (90, 150 Hz components on, 1020 Hz comp. off)

Accuracy

≤5% of rdg ±0.1% absolute

Measuring time

Automatic tuning; RF, modulation and modulation frequency measurement with 10 Hz RF resolution (highpass filter and PK detector switched on) Fast modulation measurement (RF, modulation range and level

programmed)

f_{mod}≥ 30 Hz DIST measurement $f_{mod} \ge 300 \, Hz$ typ. 1 s

≤120 ms typ. 2.5 s typ. 1 s

Outputs

IF output AM output max. 200 mV into 50Ω max. 1 V into $600\,\Omega$ (can be DC-coupled)

max. 1 V into 600 Ω

+12 dBm, 50 Ω -10 to +12 dBm

input/output selectable

6 dBm (1.545 V) into 600 Ω,

40 kHz deviation (DC-coupled) 1.545 V into 600 Ω, 40 rad

1 to 4 V into 600 Ω (peak voltage)

Y deflection, 0 to 4 V, BNC female

FM/@M output

for FM

for ϕM Distortion output (with optional

DIST/SINAD meter)

AF output

10-MHz reference frequency

Output Input

Deflection for external oscilloscope

DSP1 DSP2

Scale markers

Vertical

Horizontal

X deflection, 0 to 4 V, BNC female 13 markers, 10 dB/div

10 markers

Remote control

Interface

IEC 625-1/625-2 (IEEE 488.1/ 488.2) connector: 24-contact Amphenol; controlling all device functions in-cluding Serial Poll and Parallel Poll SH1, AH1, L4, T5, SR1, RL1, DC1, DT1, PP1, CO

VOR/ILS-specific data

Interface functions

These data are guaranteed within the frequency ranges specified (fin). They are typical values for all frequencies ≥10 MHz

VOR

fin: 10 MHz; 108 to 120 MHz

Amplitude modulation measurement

m: 10 to 90% f_{mod} 30 Hz ± 1%

9.96 kHz ± 1% 300 Hz to 4 kHz measurement error⁷) (% of rdg) ≤0.8%

<0.8%

≤1.2% (typ. ≤0.8%)

Frequency modulation measurement at 9.96-kHz carrier

Max. measurable deviation

f_{mod} 30 Hz ±1 %

measurement error7) (% of rdg) ≤0.5% ± 0.1 Hz

Phase difference measurement at 30 Hz

Measurement range

0 to 360°

≤±0.03° (typ. ≤±0.02°) Measurement error Resolution ≤0.01°

fin: 10 MHz; 108 to 120 MHz; 328 to 336 MHz

Amplitude modulation measurement

m: 10 to 90%

f_{mod} 90 Hz ± 2%

measurement error7) (% of rdg)

< 0.5% 150 Hz ± 2%

< 0.5%

300 Hz to 4 kHz (identifier)

≤1.5% (typ. ≤0.8%)

DDM measurement

Measurement range: 0 to \pm 0.2 DDM f_{mod}: 90 Hz ±1% and 150 Hz ± 1%

18 to 22% 32 to 48% measurement error7)

≤±0.0002 DDM ± 0,1% of rdg ≤±0.0005 DDM ± 0.1% of rdg

Resolution: ≤0.0001 DDM Measurement of phase angle between 90-Hz and 150-Hz signals

Measurement range Measurement error Resolution

+60° <±0.2° <0.01°

TACAN*)

fin: 10 MHz; 950 to 1250 MHz

Amplitude modulation measurement

m: 10 to 90%

 f_{mod} 15 Hz \pm 2%

measurement error7) (% of rdg)

≤0.5% 135 Hz ± 2% ≤0.5%

Measurement of phase angle between 15-Hz and 135-Hz signals

Measurement range

±180° (135 Hz)

<±0.5 Measurement error <0.01° Resolution *) Measurements are possible only on nonpulsed signals

(not on realworld TACAN signals)

AF outputs DSP1, DSP2

max. 4 V into 600 Ω ≤±3 mV

DC offset

Additional error

 $4 \text{ V}/100\% \pm 1\% \pm 2 \text{ mV}$ Scaling for AM 4 V/1 kHz ±1% ± 2 mV

Scaling for FM Gain difference for ILS (90 to 150 Hz)

0.2%

Phase difference for VOR (30 Hz)

0.05

TACAN (15 to 135 Hz) 0.2 ILS (90 to 150 Hz)

VOR/ILS baseband at voltmeter UNBAL input

AM sensitivity

100 mV to 10 V peak, 100% AM

Amplitude modulation measurement

fmod	measurement error ⁷) (% of rdg)	
30 Hz±1%, 9.96 kHz±1% 300 Hz to 4 kHz (identifier)	≤0.8% ≤1.2%	

Frequency modulation measurement

at 9,96 kHz carrier

Maximum measurable deviation 700 Hz

f_{mod}	measurement error 7)	
30 Hz ± 1%	≤0.5% ± 0.1 Hz	

Phase difference measurement

at 30 Hz

Measurement range Measurement error Resolution

0 to 360° <+0.02 <0.019

Amplitude modulation measurement

f _{mod}	measurement error ⁷) (% of rdg)	
90 Hz ± 2%, 150 Hz ± 2% 300 Hz to 4 kHz (identifier)	≤0.5% ≤1.5%	



Rear view of FMAV

DDM measurement

Measurement range

0 to ± 0.2 DDM

90 Hz ± 1%, 150 Hz ± 1%

fmod

m	measurement error ⁷)	
18 to 22% 32 to 48%	$\leq \pm 0.0002 \text{ DDM} \pm 0.1\% \text{ of rdg}$ $\leq \pm 0.0005 \text{ DDM} \pm 0.1\% \text{ of rdg}$	

General data

Environmental conditions Rated temperature range Storage temperature range

-40 to +70 °C complies with VDE 0871, limit B and

to IEC 359, class I

0 to +55 °C

RFI suppression German PTT regulations 527/1979 100/120/220/240 V ± 10%, Power supply

47 to 440 Hz (170 VA)

435 mm x 192 mm x 460 mm, 19 kg Dimensions, weight

) For amplitude-modulated signals: P_{in} ≥-27 dBm, m ≤80%

 2) In temperature range 20 to 30 °C, additional error of $\pm 0.5\%$ over entire temperature range; error of RMS detection may be up to twice as high as of peak detection.

³) For input level ≥20 dB above specified minimum input level

4) For fin<300 kHz: fmod=10 Hz to 8 kHz.

5 | 100-kHz lowpass filter switched in.

 6) Input attenuator switched on: value x 10. 7) In temperature range 20 to 30 °C, additional error $\pm 0.3\%$ over entire temperature range.

Ordering information

VOR/ILS Modulation Analyzer FMAV Order designation 856.4509.52

Accessories supplied special cable for firmware update, manual, power cable, spare fuses

Options

FMA-B1 855.2002.52 Filter AM/FM Calibrator/AF Generator FMA-B4 855.6008.52 RF/IF Selection FMA-B9 856.6501.57

Recommended extras

High-power Attenuator, 20 dB, 50 W 19" Adapter Set of Front Handles 1035.1700.52 RDL 50 396.4905.00 ZZA-94 ZZG-94 396.5160.00 77K-944 1013.9366.00 Transit Case 856.4009.52 Service Kit FMA-Z1



