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492PGM SPECTRUM ANALYZER

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Symbols

In This Manual



This symbol indicates where applicable cautionary or other information is to be found.

As Marked on Equipment



DANGER - High voltage.



Protective ground (earth) terminal.



ATTENTION — refer to manual.



Refer to manual

Power

Power Source

This product is intended to operate from a power source that will not apply more than 250 V rms between the supply conductors or between either supply conductor and ground. A protective ground connection by way of the grounding conductor in the power cord is essential for safe operation.

Grounding the Product

This product is grounded through the grounding conductor of the power cord. To avoid electrical shock, plug the power cord into a properly wired receptacle before connecting it to the power terminal. A protective ground connection by way of the grounding conductor in the power cord is essential for safe operation.

Danger From Loss of Ground

Upon loss of the protective-ground connection, all accessible conductive parts (including knobs and controls that may appear to be insulating) can render an electric shock.

Use the Proper Power Cord

Refer cord and connector changes to qualified service personnel.

For detailed information on power cords and connectors, see the Maintenance section in the Service Manual, Volume 1.

Use the Proper Fuse

To avoid fire hazard or equipment damage, use only the fuse of correct type, voltage rating, and current rating for your product (as specified in the Replaceable Electrical Parts list in Volume 2 of the Service Manual). Refer fuse replacement to qualified service personnel.

Operational Precautions

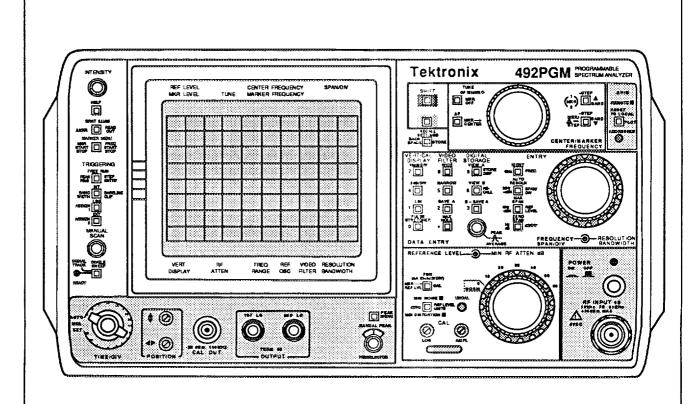
Do Not Operate in Explosive Atmospheres

To avoid explosion, do not operate this product in an explosive atmosphere unless it has been specifically certified for such operation.

Do Not Remove Covers or Panels

To avoid personal injury, do not remove the product covers or panels unless you are qualified to do so. Do not operate the product without the covers and panels properly installed.

Dangerous voltages exist at several points in this product. To avoid personal injury, do not touch exposed connections and components while power is on. REFER ALL SERVICING TO QUALIFIED SERVICE PERSONNEL.



TEKTRONIX 492PGM Programmable Spectrum Analyzer

General Information

Product Overview

The TEKTRONIX 492PGM Series Spectrum Analyzer is a high performance, compact, portable instruments. Microcomputer control of most functions simplifies and enhances operation. The following lists the features of the instrument.

- · single and delta marker modes
- · synthesizer frequency accuracy
- · precise amplitude measurement capability
- · digital storage display
- · internal memory to retain front-panel settings and displays
- HELP message crt readout that describes the function of front-panel pushbuttons and controls as well as messages that explain operating errors
- · front-panel Data Entry pushbuttons
- · ability to plot the display and graticule
- · multiband sweep capability
- 1 kHz to 3 MHz resolution bandwidth

The frequency range is 10 kHz to 21 GHz. A minimum resolution bandwidth of 1 kHz, with a minimum span of 200 Hz/div provides measurement resolution that is proportional to the frequency accuracy.

This spectrum analyzer also features an internal preselector and limiter. Band 1 input signals are routed through a limiter and low-pass filter. Band 1 frequency is 10 kHz-1.8 GHz. Band 2-5 input signals (1.7 GHz-21 GHz) are routed through the preselector.

Digital storage provides flicker-free displays plus SAVE A, B-SAVE A, and MAX HOLD to compare and subtract displays and save maximum values. In addition to conventional digital storage features, internal memory stores up to nine separate displays with their readouts and dot markers, which can be recalled later for additional analysis and comparison. It is also possible to store up to ten different front-panel control setups for future recall.

Select center frequency either with the front-panel CENTER/MARKER FREQUENCY knob or with the Data Entry pushbuttons. Other parameters, such as vertical display and reference level, are pushbutton selectable with the flexibility previously available only under program control of the general purpose interface bus (GPIB).

The single and delta markers provide direct readout of frequency and amplitude information of any point along any displayed trace. Relative (delta) frequency and amplitude information between any two points along any displayed trace or between traces is also available. The CENTER/MARKER FREQUENCY control can move the markers, or it can move the display with a stationary frequency marker. For additional marker information refer to Using the Markers feature in Section 6 of this manual.

The front-panel controls (except those intended exclusively for local use, such as INTENSITY) can be remotely operated through the GPIB port, which allows the spectrum analyzer to be used with a variety of systems and controllers. Refer to the Programmers Manual for additional information.

Firmware Version and Error Message Readout

This feature of the spectrum analyzer provides readout that identifies the version of firmware installed. The readout is momentarily displayed when the power is first turned on. In addition that information and the GPIB address will be displayed when RESET TO LOCAL is pressed.

If the spectrum analyzer fails to complete any routine or function, an error message will flash on the screen, explaining the failure.

Accessories

The Replaceable Mechanical Parts list in the Service Manual, Volume 2, contains the part numbers, descriptions and ordering information for all standard and optional accessories offered for the spectrum analyzer at this time.

The following list includes all standard accessories currently shipped with each instrument. Refer to the Options section of this manual for alternate information.

- 50Ω coaxial cable; N to N connector, 6 ft.
- 50Ω coaxial cable; bnc to bnc connector, 18 inch
- · cable, SMA to SMA
- · adapter; N male to bnc female
- · 4A fast-blow fuses; 2 each
- · power cord
- · power cord clamp
- · crt light filters; amber and gray
- · crt mesh filter
- · rear connector shield
- operators manual
- · programmers manual

The following is a list of the optional accessories.

- · service kit
- · circuit board extender kit
- · crt visor
- · dc blocking capacitor
- · transit case (hard)
- transit case (soft)
- GPIB cable
- · service manual, volume 1
- service manual, volume 2

Options

The Options section of this manual contains detailed information on all of the options currently available for the spectrum analyzer.

Specification

This section includes the electrical, environmental and physical characteristics of the 492PGM Spectrum Analyzer. Any instrument specification changes due to options are listed in the Options section.

Electrical Characteristics

The following tables of electrical characteristics and features apply to the spectrum analyzer after a 30-minute warm up and after making the front-panel CAL adjustments, except as noted.

The Performance Requirement column defines some characteristics in quantitative terms and in limit form. The Supplemental Information column explains performance requirements or provides performance information. Statements in this column are not considered to be guaranteed performance and are not ordinarily supported by a performance check procedure. Procedures to verify performance requirements are provided in the Performance Check section of the Service Manual, Volume 1.

The instrument performs an internal calibration check each time power is turned on. This check verifies that the instrument frequency and amplitude performance is as specified. An instrument check out procedure, which does not require external test equipment or technical expertise, is provided in Section 5. This procedure will satisfy most incoming inspections and will help familiarize you with the instrument capabilities.

Verification of Tolerance Values

Perform compliance tests of specified limits listed in the Performance Requirement column only after a 30-minute warm-up time (except as noted) and after doing the front-panel CAL procedure. Use measurement instruments that do not affect the values measured. Measurement tolerance of test equipment should be negligible when compared to the specified tolerance. If the tolerance is not negligible, add the error of the measuring device to the specified tolerance.

Table 2-1 FREQUENCY-RELATED CHARACTERISTICS

Characteristic	Performance Requirement	Supplemental Information
CENTER FREQUENCY Operating range		10 kHz - 21 GHz Tuned by the CENTER/MARKER FREQUENCY control or the DATA ENTRY pushbuttons
Accuracy (after front-panel CAL has been performed)		Center frequency accuracy is specified by: initial accuracy center frequency drift during the sweep reference frequency error
Initial (start of sweep) 1st LO unlocked ^a	±{20%D+(CFxREF)+15N kHz} Where: D=span/div or resolution bandwidth whichever is greater CF=center frequency REF= reference frequency error N = harmonic number	Refer to IF, LO Range and Harmonic Number specification for N value. Allow a settling time of one second for each GHz change in CF within a band. In bands 4 - 5 divide the CF change by N.
1st LO locked ^b	±{20%D+(CFxREF) Hz}	
Drift		With constant ambient temperature and fixed center frequency. Any error is observed during sweep time. Correction will occur at the end of the sweep or as often as necessary to maintain specifications.
After 30 minute warm-up 1st LO unlocked ^a		Typically ≤(25 kHz)N per minute
1st LO locked ^b		Typically ≤150 Hz per minute
After 1 hour warm-up 1st LO unlocked ^a		Typically ≤(5 kHz)N per minute
1st LO locked ^b		Typically ≤50 Hz per minute
REFERENCE FREQUENCY ERROR		
Accuracy during warm-up at +25°C 30 minutes after power-up		Within ±1x10 ⁻⁵
Temperature sensitivity		Within ±1.5x10 ⁻⁵ over the operating temperature range, referenced to +25°C
READOUT RESOLUTION		≤10% of span/div, to a minimum of 1 kHz, 100 Hz in Delta mode

^a Instruments are not phaselocked in Bands 1 & 5 with SPAN/DIV >200 kHz, and Bands 2 - 4 with SPAN/DIV >100 kHz.

 $^{^{\}rm b}$ Instruments are phaselocked in Bands 1 & 5 with SPAN/DIV \leq 200 kHz, and Bands 2 - 4 with SPAN/DIV \leq 100 kHz

Table 2-1 (Continued) FREQUENCY-RELATED CHARACTERISTICS

Characteristic	Performance Requirement	Supplemental Information
RESIDUAL FM 1st LO unlockeda	≤(7 kHz)N total excursion in 20 ms	Short term, after 1 hour warm-up. Refer to IF, LO Range and Harmonic Number specification for N value.
1st LO locked ^b	≤(10+2N)Hz total excursion in 20 ms	
STATIC RESOLUTION BAND- WIDTH (6 dB down)	Within 20% of the selected bandwidth	1 kHz to 1 MHz in decade steps and 3 MHz
SHAPE FACTOR (60 dB/6 dB)	7.5:1 or less	
NOISE SIDEBANDS	At least –73 dBc	Measured at an offset of 30x the resolution bandwidth
MARKER(S)		When activated, the marker is a bright dot positioned by the CENTER/ MARKER FREQUENCY control, or the DATA ENTRY pushbuttons
Accuracy	Identical to the center frequency accuracy	For the active trace.
∆MKR Accuracy	±1% of the total span	For the active trace.
		ΔMKR activates a second marker at the position of the single marker on the trace. Parentheses appear on the marker display line indicating that delta mode is active. The display shows the difference in frequency and amplitude. <green-shift> 1<— MKR—>2 selects which marker is tuned. 5% on multiband and stored displays. Displays delta time or delta frequency is necessary.</green-shift>
 ΔMKR Resolution	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	in zero-span mode. ≤10% of span/div

^{*}Instruments are not phaselocked in Bands 1 & 5 with SPAN/DIV >200 kHz, and Bands 2-4 with SPAN/DIV >100kHz. bInstruments are phaselocked in Bands 1&5-12 with SPAN/DIV ≤200 kHz, and Bands 2-4 with SPAN/DIV ≤100 kHz.

Table 2-1 (Continued) FREQUENCY-RELATED CHARACTERISTICS

Characteristic	Performance Requirement	Supplemental Information
FREQUENCY SPAN/DIV		
Accuracy/Linearity	Within 5% of the selected span/div	Measured over the center 8 divisions. Specification does not apply to multiband sweep
Range		MAX SPAN sweeps across an entire band and ZERO SPAN provides a 0 Hz display.
With SPAN/DIV control		200 Hz - 1 GHz in 1-2-5 sequence
With DATA ENTRY pushbuttons		200 Hz - 1.2 GHz to two significant digits
With Multiband mode		<blue-shift> FREQ START/STOP permits entry of a start frequency in one band and the stop frequency in another band in Bands 2 through 5 Maximum range is 1.7 - 21 GHz Start and stop frequencies are limited to a single band in Band 1</blue-shift>
		The FREQ RANGE readout displays MULTIBD in Multiband mode.

Table 2-1 (Continued) FREQUENCY-RELATED CHARACTERISTICS

Characteristic	Performance Requirement	Supplemental Informat			ation
FREQUENCY SPAN/DIV con't					
Range con't					
Maximum Span/Div		With SPAN	N/DIV	With DA	TA ENTRY
Band 1 (0 - 1.8 GHz) Band 2 (1.7 - 5.5 GHz) Band 3 (3 - 7.1 GHz) Band 4 (5.4 - 18 GHz) Band 5 (15 - 21 GHz)		100 MHz 200 MHz 200 MHz 1 GHz 500 MHz		170 MH: 370 MH: 400 MH: 1.2 GHz 590 MH:	z z
IF FREQUENCY, LO RANGE AND HARMONIC NUMBER (N)					
		1st IF (MHz)	LO (Mi	Range Hz)	N
Band 1 (0 - 1.8 GHz) Band 2 (1.7 - 5.5 GHz) Band 3 (3 - 7.1 GHz) Band 4 (5.4 - 18 GHz) Band 5 (15 - 21 GHz)		2072 829 829 829 2072	2529 2171 2076	- 3872 - 6329 - 6271 - 6276 - 6309	1- 1- 1+ 3- 3+
BANDWIDTH FILTER CENTER- ING		The instrur defines the filter-respon filter center for all meas center.	left-mo nse cun . This p	st high po ve in Ban oint must	oint of the d 1 as the be used

Table 2-2 AMPLITUDE-RELATED CHARACTERISTICS

Characteristic	Performance Requirement	Supplemental Information		
VERTICAL DISPLAY MODES				
		10 dB/Div, 2 dB/Div, and Linear. Any integer between 1 and 15 dB/Div can be selected with the DATA ENTRY pushbuttons.		
DISPLAY DYNAMIC RANGE				
		80 dB maximum for Log mode 8 divisions for Linear mode		
Accuracy 10 dB/Div Log mode	±1.0 dB/10 dB to a maximum cumula- tive error of ±2.0 dB over 80 dB range	A STATE OF THE STA		
2 dB/Div Log mode	±0.4 dB/2 dB to a maximum cumula- tive error of ±1.0 dB over 16 dB range			
LIN mode	±5% of full scale			

Characteristic	Performance Requirement	Supplemental Information
REFERENCE LEVEL		The of the continue
Range Log mode (With 0 Reference Level Offset)		From -117 dBm to +50 dBm; +50 dBm includes 20 dB of IF gain reduction (+30 dBm in the maximum safe input). Alternate reference levels are: • dBV (-130 dBV to +37 dBV) • dBmV (-70 dBmV to +97 dBmV) • dBμV (-10 dBμV to +157 dBμV)
Linear mode		39.6 nV/div - 2.8 V/div (1 W maximum safe input)
Accuracy		Dependent on the following characteristics: RF attenuation accuracy IF gain accuracy resolution bandwidth display mode calibrator accuracy frequency response clue-SHIFT> CAL routine reduces error between resolution bandwidths at -20 dBm reference level. Other reference levels may have larger errors ambient temperature change (±0.15 dB/°C maximum) frequency band The input RF attenuator steps 10 dB for reference level changes above 30 dBm (-20 dBm when MIN NOISE is active) unless the MIN RF ATTEN setting is greater than zero. The IF gain increases 10 dB for each 10 dB reference level change below 30 dBm (-20 dBm when MIN NOISE is active).

Characteristic	Performance Requirement	Supplemental Information
REFERENCE LEVEL con't		
Steps 10 dB/div Log mode		10 dB for Coarse mode 1 dB for Fine mode
2 dB/div Log mode		1 dB for Coarse mode 0.25 dB for Fine mode
Linear mode		1-2-5 sequence for Coarse mode 1 dB equivalent steps for Fine mode
Set with DATA ENTRY pushbut- tons		Steps correspond to the display mode in Coarse mode, except for 2 dB where the steps are 1 dB. In Fine mode 1 dB when the mode is 5 dB/div or more 0.25 dB for display modes of 4 dB/div or less (ΔA mode)
MARKER(S)		
Accuracy		Identical for REF LEVEL accuracy plus cumulative error of display scale (dependent on vertical position)
RF ATTENUATOR		
Range		0 - 60 dB in 10 dB steps
Accuracy		
Dc - 1.8 GHz	Within 0.5 dB/10 dB to a maximum of 1 dB over the 60 dB range	
1.8 - 18 GHz	Within 1.5 dB/10 dB to a maximum of 3 dB over the 60 dB range	
18 - 21 GHz	Within 3.0 dB/10 dB to a maximum of 6 dB over the 60 dB range	
LO EMISSIONS	≤–70 dBm to 21 GHz	With 0 dB RF attenuation

Characteristic	Performance Requirement	Supple	Supplemental Information			
IF GAIN						
Range		87 dB of gain increase, 20 dB of decrease (MIN NOISE and Redu Gain mode), in 10 dB and 1 dB s		nd Reduced		
Accuracy 1 dB step	≤0.2 dB/dB step to 0.5 dB/9 dB steps except at the decade transitions					
Decade transitions -29 to -30 dBm -39 to -40 dBm -49 to -50 dBm -59 to -60 dBm	0.75 dB or less	1 dB maximum cumulative error ov 10 dB.		ve error over		
Maximum deviation over the 107 dB range	±2 dB					
GAIN VARIATIONS BETWEEN RESOLUTION BANDWIDTHS						
		Measurement conditions • measured at —20 dBm • Minimum Distortion mode • after CAL routine at ambient temperature				
With respect to the 3 MHz filter	±0.4 dB					
Between any two filters	≤0.8 dB					
DIFFERENTIAL AMPLITUDE MEASUREMENT						
		ΔA mode provides differential measurements in 0.25 dB increments (not related to ΔΜΚR mode)				
Range		Maximum range of 57.75 dB depending on reference level when ΔA mode is activated				
Accuracy		Difference	Steps	Error		
		0.25 dB 2 dB 10 dB 20-57.75 dB	1 8 40 80-231	0.15 dB 0.4 dB 1.0 dB 2.0 dB		

Characteristic	Performance Requirement		Supplemental Information	
FREQUENCY RESPONSE				
Coaxial (direct) input	About the midpoint Referenced to between two 100 MHz extremes		Measured with 10 dB RF attenuation and peaking optimized for each center frequency setting when applicable.	
Band 1 (10 kHz - 1.8 GHz) Band 2 (1.7 - 5.5 GHz) Band 3 (3.0 - 7.1 GHz) Band 4 (5.4 - 18 GHz) Band 5 (15 - 21 GHz)	±2.0 dB ±3.0 dB ±3.0 dB ±4.0 dB ±5.5 dB	±3.0 dB ±4.0 dB ±4.0 dB ±5.0 dB ±7.0 dB	Response is affected by • input VSWR • harmonic number • gain variation • mixer • preselector Display flatness is typically 1 dB greater than frequency response.	
SPURIOUS RESPONSES Residual	–95 dBm or less		No input signal, 0 dB RF attenuation and fundamental mixing Bands 1 - 3 Terminate the input in 50Ω.	
3rd order intermodulation products	-70 dBc or less		From any two on-screen signals within any frequency span in MIN DISTOR-TION mode.	
HARMONIC DISTORTION	-60 dBc or less		Measured at -40 dBm input level in Min Distortion mode , and without Reduced Gain mode.	

Characteristic		Perfo	rmance Requ	irement		Supplemental Information
SENSITIVITY						
	Equivalen	t input noise	in dBm versu	s resolution	bandwidth	Equivalent maximum input
Frequency Range	1 kHz	10 kHz	100 kHzª	1 MHz	3 MHz	noise for each resolution
Band 1 10 kHz-1.8 GHz	-110	-100	-90	-80	-75	bandwidth. Measured at 25°C with 0 dB RF attenuation narrow video filter on vertical display 2 dB/div digital storage on Max Hold off Peak/Average in Average 1s Time/Div zero span input terminated in 50Ω
Bands 2&3 1.7 - 7.1 GHz	-108	-98	-88	78	-73	
Band 4 (lower part) 5.4 - 12.0 GHz	-94	-84	-74	-64	-59	
Band 4 (upper part) 12.0 - 18.0 GHz	-89	-79	-69	- 59	-54	
Band 5 15.0 - 21.0 GHz	-88	-78	-68	-58	-53	

^{*}Option 07 replaces the 100 kHz filter with a 300 kHz filter. See Option Section.

Table 2-3 INPUT SIGNAL CHARACTERISTICS

Characteristic	Performance Requirement	Supplemental Information
RF INPUT		Type N female connector, specified to 21 GHz
Impedance ^a		50Ω
VSWR with ≥10 dB RF attenuation 10 kHz - 2.5 GHz 2.5 - 6.0 GHz 6.0 - 18.0 GHz 18.0 - 21.0 GHz		Measured within 3 MHz of the center of the preselector on preselected bands 1.3:1 (typically 1.2:1) 1.7:1 (typically 1.5:1) 2.3:1 (typically 1.9:1) 3.5:1 (typically 2.7:1)
with 0 dB RF attenuation 10 kHz - 6.0 GHz 6.0 - 18 GHz 18.0 - 21.0 GHz		typically 1.9:1 typically 2.3:1 typically 3.0:1
Maximum safe input		+30 dBm (1W) continuous or 75W peak pulse width of 1 µs or less with a maximum duty factor of 0.001 (attenuator limit). DO NOT APPLY DC VOLTAGE TO THE RF INPUT.
1 dB Compression point (minimum)		With no RF attenuation. Measured at the 10 MHz IF output.
in Min Distortion mode	–23 dBm	Measured at the 10 Minz in output.
in Min Noise mode	–13 dBm	

Table 2-3 (Continued) INPUT SIGNAL CHARACTERISTICS

Characteristic	Performance Requirement	Supplemental Information	
IORIZ TRIG		Dc-coupled input for external horizon- tal drive (selected by the EXT position of the Time/Div control) and ac coupled input for external trigger signals (selected at other positions of the Time/Div control).	
Sweep input voltage range		0 to +10V (dc+peak ac) for full screen deflection.	
Trigger input voltage range Minimum	≥1.0V peak from 15 Hz to 500 kHz	Typically 1.5V peak at 1.0 MHz	
Maximum dc+ac peak		50V	
ac		30V rms to 10 kHz, then derate linearly to 3.5V rms at 100 kHz and above.	
Pulse width		0.1 μs minimum	
marker inpu		External video input or external video marker input, switched by pin 1 of the ACCESSORIES connector	
Marker input level		0 to -10V Interfaces with TEKTRONIX 1405 Sideband Adapter	
Video input level		0 to +4V for full screen display with pir 1 of the ACCESSORIES connector low.	

Table 2-3 (Continued) INPUT SIGNAL CHARACTERISTICS

Characteristic	Performance Requirement	Supplemental Information	
CESSORY connector (J104)		25-pin connector (not RS-232 compatible). Provides bi-directional access to the instrument bus. Also provides external video select. All lines are TTL compatible, except 2 and 3. Maximum voltage on all lines is ±15V.	
Pin 1		External video select. Low selects external video input. High (default) selects video marker input.	
Pin 2		External Preselector — Drive signal for an external preselector. Output voltage is proportional to center frequency.	
Pin 3		External Preselector Return — Ground return for the external Preselector signal.	
Pin 4		Internal control. High (default) selects internal control. Instrument bus lines are output at to ACCESSORIES connector. Low selects external control. Instrument bus lines at the Accessories connector accept input from an external controller.	
Pin 5		Chassis ground	
Pin 6 - 13*		Instrument bus address lines 7 - 0ª	
Pin 14*		Instrument bus data valid signal ^a	
Pin 15ª		Instrument bus service request signal	
Pin 16ª		Instrument bus poll signal	
Pin 17		Data bus enable input signal. High (unasserted) disables external data bus. Low enables external data bus.	
		Instrument bus data lines 0 - 7. Active when external data bus enable (pin 17) is low.	

^{*}Output when internally controlled (pin 4 high) and input when externally controlled (pin 4 low).

Table 2-4 OUTPUT SIGNAL CHARACTERISTICS

Characteristic	Performance Requirement	Supplemental Information
CALIBRATOR (CAL OUT)*	200	
	-20 dBm, ±0.3 dB at 100 MHz ±10 PPM	100 MHz comb of markers provide amplitude calibration at 100 MHz
1ST and 2ND LO OUTPUTS		
		Provide access to the output of the respective local oscillators. THESE PORTS MUST BE TERMINATED IN 50Ω AT ALL TIMES.
1st LO Output power		≥6 dBm
		–12 dBm, ±5 dB
VERT OUTPUT		
		Provides 0.5V, $\pm 5\%$ (open circuit) of signal per division of video that is above and below the centerline. Full range $-2.0V$ to $+2.0V$. Source impedance is approximately 1 k Ω .
HORIZ OUTPUT		
		Provides 0.5V/div (open circuit) either side of center. Full range $-2.5V$ to 2.5V, 250 mV max ripple. Source impedance is approximately 1 k Ω .
PEN LIFT		TTL compatible, nominal +5V to lift plotter pen.

Table 2-4 (Continued) OUTPUT SIGNAL CHARACTERISTICS

Characteristic	Performance Requirement	Supplemental Information
10 MHz IF OUTPUT		
		Output level is approximately –5 dBm for a full screen signal at –30 dBm reference level. Nominal impedance is 50Ω.
IEEE STD 488 PORT		
		In accordance with IEEE 488-78 standard and Tektronix Codes and Formats standard (version 81.1)
		Implemented as SH1, AH1, T5, L3, SR1, RL1, PP1, DC1, DT1, and C0.
PROBE POWER		
		Provides operating voltages for active probes.
Outputs		
Pin 1		+5V at 100 mA maximum
Pin 2		Ground
Pin 3		-15V at 100 mA maximum
Pin 4		+15V at 100 mA maximum
ACCESSORIES (J104)		All inputs and outputs are listed in Input Signal Characteristics.

Table 2-5 DISPLAY CHARACTERISTICS

	Triggered, auto, manual, external,
	and single sweep
20 μs/div to 5 s/div in 1-2-5 sequence (10 s/div available in Auto)	
±5% over center 8 divisions	
	INTernal, EXTernal, FREE RUN, and LINE
2 divisions or more of signal	
1.0V peak, minimum	EXTernal is ac-coupled (15 Hz - 500 kHz). Maximum external trigger input is 50V (dc+ac peak)
	(10 s/div available in Auto) ±5% over center 8 divisions 2 divisions or more of signal

Table 2-6 GENERAL CHARACTERISTICS

Characteristic	Performance Requirement	Supplemental Information		
VIDEO BANDWIDTH				
		Resolution bandwidth	WIDE Video Filter	NARROW Video Filter
		3 MHz 1 MHz 100 kHz 10 kHz 1 kHz	30 kHz 30 kHz 3 kHz 300 Hz 300 Hz	3 kHz 3 kHz 300 Hz 30 Hz 3 Hz
PULSE STRETCHER FALL-TIME			1	
		30 μs/division typical	on of pulse an	nplitude
CRT READOUT		Displays all parameters listed on the crt bezel, plus help and operating messages.		
BATTERY-POWERED MEMORY		tion offsets, each band a	settings, displa and peaking o are stored in b n-volatile RAM	codes for attery-
Battery life At +55°C ambient temperature		1 - 2 years		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
At +25°C ambient temperature		≥5 yearsª		
Temperature range for retaining data Operating		-15°C to +5	5°C	
Non-operating		-30°C to +8		

^aSee Options section

Table 2-6 (Continued) GENERAL CHARACTERISTICS

Characteristic	Performance Requirement	Supplemental Information	
MARKER TIME MEASUREMENT			
Accuracy (in zero span mode)		±10% for single marker and ±5% for delta marker Marker time available only in zero span	

Table 2-7 POWER REQUIREMENTS

Characteristic	Performance Requirement	Supplemental Information
LINE FREQUENCY RANGE		
		47 - 440 Hz
LINE VOLTAGE RANGE		
	90Vac -132 Vac	115V nominal
	180Vac -250 Vac	230V nominal
LINE FUSE		
115V nominal		4A
230V nominal		2A Medium-Blow
INPUT POWER		
	210 W maximum (3.2 A)	At 115V and 60 Hz
LEAKAGE CURRENT		
47 Hz - 63 Hz		3.5 mA, maximum with the EMI filter at 250V, 60 Hz
63 - 440 Hz		5 mA maximum.

Table 2-8 ENVIRONMENTAL CHARACTERISTICS Meets MIL-T-28800C, type III, class 3, style C specifications

Characteristic	Description			
Temperature				
Operating	-15° C to +55° C			
Non-operating*	-62° C to +85° C			
Altitude				
Operating	15,000 feet (tested to 25,000 feet)			
Non-operating	40,000 feet (tested to 50,000 feet)			
Humidity				
Operating	95% (±5%) relative humadity			
Non-operating	5 cycles (120 hours) in accordance with	MIL-Std-810D Procedure III (modified)		
Vibration (Operating)				
Instrument secured to a vibration platform during test)	MIL-Std-810D, Method 514, Procedure I (modified). Resonant searches along all three axes from 5 Hz to 15 Hz at 0.060-inch displacement for 7 minutes, 15 Hz to 25 Hz at 0.040-inch displacement for 3 minutes, and 25 Hz to 55 Hz at 0.020-inch displacement for 5 minutes (tested to 0.025 inch). Additional dwell for 10 minutes in each axis at the frequency of the major resonance or at 55 Hz if none was found. Resonance is defined as twice the input displacement. Total vibration time is 75 minutes.			
Shock(Operating &Non-operating)	3 guillotine-type shocks of 30g, one-half sine, 11 ms duration each direction along each major axis for a total of 18 shocks (tested to 50g)			
Transit drop (free fall)	1 8-inch drop on each of six faces and eight corners (tested at and meets drop height of 12 inches)			
Electromagnetic Interference (EMI				
	Meets requirements described in MIL-Std-461B, Part 4, except as noted			
	Test Method	Remarks		
Conducted Emissions	CE01—60 Hz to 15 kHz	1 kHz to 15 kHz only		
	CE03—15 kHz to 50 MHz power leads	15 kHz to 50 kHz, relaxed by 15 dB		
Conducted susceptibility	CS01—30 Hz to 50 kHz power leads	Full limit		
	CS02—50 kHz to 400 MHz power leads	Full limit		
	CS06—spike power leads	Full limit		
Radiated Emissions	RE01—30 Hz to 50 kHz magnetic field (measured at 30 cm)	Relaxed by 10 dB for fundamental to 10th harmonic of power line Exceptioned 30 kHz to 36 kHz		
	RE02—14 kHz to 10 GHz	Full limit		
Radiated Susceptibility	RS01-30 Hz to 50 kHz	Full limit		
	RS02—Magnetic Induction	To 5A only, 60 Hz		
	RS03—14 kHz to 10 GHz	Up to 1 GHz		

^{*}After storage at temperatures below -15° C, the instrument may not reset when power is first turned on. If this happens, allow the instrument to warm up for at least 15 minutes, then turn the POWER OFF for 5 seconds and back ON.

Table 2-9
PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Characteristic	Description	
Weight		
	47.5 lbs, (21.5 kg) maximum, for the standard instrument. Including cover and standard accessories, except manuals	
Dimensions (see Figure 2-1)		
Without front cover, handle, or feet	6.9x12.87x19.65 inches (175x327x499 mm)	
With front cover, feet, and handle Handle folded back over the instrument	9.15x15.05x23.1 inches (232x382x587 mm)	
Handle fully extended	9.15x15.05x28.85 inches (232x382x732.8 mm)	

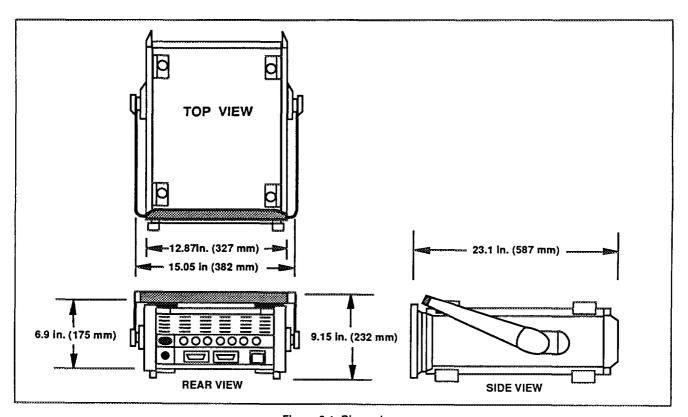


Figure 2-1. Dimensions

Preparation For Use

This section describes spectrum analyzer unpacking, installation, power requirements, storage information, and repackaging.

Unpacking and Initial Inspection

Before unpacking the spectrum analyzer, inspect the shipping container for signs of external damage. If the container is damaged, notify the carrier as well as Tektronix, Inc. The shipping container contains the basic instrument and its standard accessories. For a list of the standard accessories, refer to Standard Accessories in Section 1 of this manual, or, for ordering information refer to the list following the Replaceable Mechanical Parts list in the Service Manual, Volume 2.

If the contents of the shipping container are incomplete, if there is mechanical damage or defect, or if the instrument does not meet operational check requirements, contact your local Tektronix Field Office or representative.

Keep the shipping container if the instrument is to be stored or shipped to Tektronix for service or repair. Refer to Storage and Repackaging for Shipment later in this section.

The instrument was inspected both mechanically and electrically before shipment, and should be free of mechanical damage and meet or exceed all electrical specifications. The Operation section of this manual contains procedures to check functional or operational performance. Perform the functional check procedure to verify that the instrument is operating properly. This check is intended to satisfy the requirements for most receiving or incoming inspections. A detailed electrical performance verification procedure in the Service Manual, Volume 1 provides a check of all specified performance requirements as listed in the Specification section.

The instrument can be operated in any position that allows air flow in the bottom and out the rear of the instrument. Feet on the four corners allow ample clearance even if the instrument is stacked with other instruments. The air is drawn in by a fan through the bottom and expelled out the back. Avoid locating the instrument where paper, plastic, or any other material might block the air intake.

Installation

The front cover provides a dust-tight seal and a convenient place to store accessories. Use the cover to protect the front panel when storing or transporting the instrument.

To remove the cover, stand the instrument on the two back feet so the name on the handle is facing up and towards you, and pull out and up on the sides of the cover. The accessories pouch is attached to the inside of the cover. Pull up evenly on the flap to open the pouch.

You can position the handle of the spectrum analyzer at several angles to serve as a tilt stand. To stack instruments, position the handle at the top rear of the instrument. Press in at both pivot points and rotate the handle to change the handle position.

WARNING

Removing or replacing the cabinet on the instrument can be hazardous. Only qualified service personnel should attempt to remove the instrument cabinet.

Power Source and Power Requirements

The spectrum analyzer is intended to be operated from a single-phase power source that has one of its current-carrying conductors (neutral) at ground (earth) potential. It is not recommended to operate the spectrum analyzer from power sources where both current-carrying conductors are isolated or above ground potential, such as phase-to-phase on a multi-phase system or across the legs of a 110-220V single-phase, three-wire system. In this method of operation, only the line conductor has over-current (fuse) protection within the unit. Refer to the Safety Summary at the front of this manual.

The ac power connector is a three-wire, polarized plug with the ground (earth) lead connected directly to the instrument frame to provide electrical shock protection. If the unit is connected to any other power source, connect the unit frame to an earth ground.

Operate the spectrum analyzer from either 115 Vac or 230 Vac nominal line voltage with a range of 90 to 132 or 180 to 250 Vac, at 47 to 440 Hz. Power and voltage requirements are printed on a back-panel plate mounted below the power input jack. Refer power input changes to qualified service personnel. The Service Manual, Volume 1, contains instructions to change the input voltage range.

The international power cord and plug configuration is shown in Figure 7-1 in Section 7 of this manual.

WARNING

Do not attempt to change the power input requirements. Unfamiliarity with safety procedures can result in personal injury. Refer all power input changes to qualified service personnel. Refer to the Safety Summary at the front of this manual.

Storage and Repackaging

Storage

Short term (less than 90 days) — For short term storage, store the instrument in an environment that meets the non-operating environmental specifications in Section 2 of this manual.

Long term — For instrument storage of more than 90 days, use the original shipping container to repackage the instrument. In Option 39 instruments we recommend removing the silver batteries during long-term storage. Package the instrument in a vapor bag with a drying material and store in a location that meets the non-operating environmental specification in Section 2 of this manual.

If you have any questions, contact the Tektronix Factory Service Center in Beaverton, Oregon.

Repackaging for Shipment

When the spectrum analyzer is to be shipped to a Tektronix Service Center for service or repair, attach a tag that shows the owner and address the name of the individual at your location that can be contacted, the complete instrument serial number (stamped on the lower portion of the instrument front panel), and a description of the service required. If the original shipping container is unfit for use or not available, use the following repackaging information.

- 1. Use a container of corrugated cardboard with a test strength of 375 pounds (140 kilograms) and inside dimensions that are at least six inches more than the equipment dimensions (see Section 2) to allow for cushioning.
- 2. Install the instrument front cover and surround the instrument with plastic sheeting to protect the finish.
- 3. Cushion the equipment on all sides with packing material or plastic foam.
- 4. Seal the container with shipping tape or an industrial stapler.

Transit case

A high-impact, rugged transit case is recommended if your require your spectrum analyzer to be frequently shipped between sites. A hard transit case that meets these requirements and has space to hold most of the instrument's standard accessories is provided as an optional accessory for the spectrum analyzer. The ordering number for this hard transit case is in the Optional Accessories information in the Service Manual, Volume 2. Refer to your local Tektronix Field Office or representative for additional information.

Operating Modes

Initial Entry Functions (Black Labels)

Most of the spectrum analyzer operating modes are selected by pressing a single pushbutton or by turning a control, i.e FREE RUN, TIME/DIV, PULSE STRETCHER, MAX HOLD, PEAK/AVERAGE.

Multiple-Pushbutton Sequence Functions (SHIFT Pushbuttons)

<Blue-SHIFT> Functions — There are many general operating modes and two marker operating- mode sequences selected with <blue-SHIFT>. Press the <blue-SHIFT> pushbutton before selecting a blue-labeled function, i.e. STORE DISP, CAL. For many of these functions menu prompts appear on the screen to guide you.

<Green-SHIFT> Functions — Most of the operating modes selected with green-SHIFT multiple-pushbutton sequences are marker related. Press the <green-SHIFT> pushbutton before selecting a green-labeled function, i.e. ASSIGN 1, PEAK FIND. For many of these functions menu prompts appear on screen to guide you.

Terminating Multiple-Pushbutton Sequences

A multiple-pushbutton sequence can be terminated at any time. Push either the

SHIFT> or <green-SHIFT> pushbutton once to stop the sequence and return the spectrum analyzer to the previous activity.

DATA ENTRY Functions (Orange Labels)

Some operations require the entry of numerical data, for example, to set frequency or enter a number to select a choice from a menu. This will be as part of a multiple-pushbutton sequence, and the instrument will prompt you when a number is required. Enter the number with the orange-labeled DATA ENTRY pushbuttons. Numerical data is entered first, with a units terminator entered last, e.g. 100.00 MHz or 20 –dBx.

Correcting Numerical Entry Errors

Use the BACKSPACE pushbutton to correct errors in numerical data that have been entered with the DATA ENTRY pushbuttons. When the BACKSPACE pushbutton is pushed the cursor backs up one space, erasing the number in that location. You can then enter the correct numerical data and end the sequence with a units pushbutton.

3 6 7 5 10 0 0 0 0

Instrument Power Control and Frequency

Figure 4-1. Instrument Power Control and Frequency.

- 1 POWER Push this switch to turn the main power supply ON (green light on) and OFF. When power is switched off, the current instrument front-panel set-up is stored in memory register 0 (see RECALL SETTINGS/STORE in Section 5) so this setup can be easily recalled. Full RF attenuation is switched in when power is turned off to protect the 1st mixer from overload and damage.
- 2 CENTER/MARKER FREQUENCY This control tunes the center frequency or marker, if selected. Tuning of center frequency is done in 0.1 division increments, regardless of the selected FREQUENCY SPAN/DIV. For marker frequency, tuning is either 0.01, 0.033, or 0.1 division increments, depending on how fast the control is turned.
- 3 <Blue-SHIFT> FREQ This pushbutton sequence allows direct entry of center or marker frequency to 1 Hz resolution from the DATA ENTRY pushbuttons. If the center frequency entered is not in the current frequency range, the nearest frequency range that contains the frequency will be automatically selected. The center frequency range that can be selected is 0 Hz to 21 GHz.

Values that are entered outside this range will be ignored. Frequency digits that are entered from the DATA ENTRY pushbuttons are terminated with one of the four unit pushbuttons (GHz, MHz, kHz, or Hz).

- 4 <Blue-SHIFT> FREQ START STOP This pushbutton sequence allows you to use the DATA ENTRY pushbuttons to enter a start frequency (at the left edge of the display) and a stop frequency (at the right edge of the display).
- 5 <Blue-SHIFT> 10 dB/DIV (Disable frequency corrections. Not identified on the front panel) This pushbutton sequence disables the frequency correction for the local oscillator. This enables the instrument to be operated with reduced performance if the oscillator frequency cannot be corrected.
- 6 +STEP When the instrument is in the Tune Center Frequency mode (TUNE CF/MKR pushbutton unlit), this pushbutton increases the center frequency by steps. The step size is determined by <blue-SHIFT> STEP ENTRY or <green-SHIFT> STEP SIZE. See +STEP under Marker Functions, later in this section for alternate operation.
- **7 –STEP** When the instrument is in the Tune Center Frequency mode (TUNE CF/MKR pushbutton unlit), this pushbutton decreases the center frequency by steps. The step size is determined by

 | STEP ENTRY or <green-SHIFT> STEP SIZE. See –STEP under Marker Functions, later in this section for alternate operation.
- 8 <Blue-SHIFT> STEP ENTRY This pushbutton sequence allows you to enter a desired center or marker frequency step size with the DATA ENTRY pushbuttons.
- 9 <Blue-SHIFT> ABAND/BANDV These two pushbuttons step up or down through the frequency ranges. The frequency range of the current band is displayed by the crt readout. When the frequency range (band) is changed, the instrument tries to preserve the 1st and 2nd Lo frequencies. If this is not possible, the nearest center frequency limit of the band is selected. When returning to a previous band, without changing center frequency, the original LO frequencies are always used, so the center frequency is preserved.
- 10 ΔF This pushbutton allows measurement of the frequency differences. When pressed (lit), the frequency readout goes to zero. The readout now shows only the deviation from this reference as the center frequency is changed. The resolution of the readout will be the less accurate of either the current center frequency resolution or the center frequency resolution when ΔF was activated. Do not confuse this pushbutton with <green-SHIFT> ΔMKR , which is described later in this section under Marker Functions.

Frequency Span and Resolution

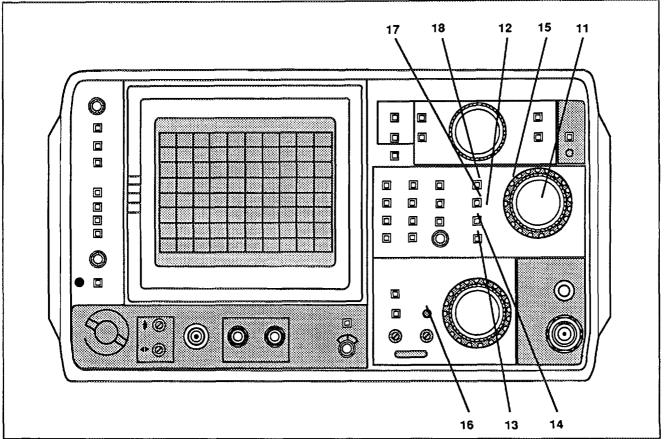


Figure 4-2. Frequency Span and Resolution.

11 FREQUENCY SPAN/DIV — This control selects the frequency span swept by the spectrum analyzer. The span/div is indicated by the crt readout. The range of this control depends on the frequency band. Selection is in a 1-2-5 sequence plus max span and zero, or time domain. FREQUENCY SPAN/DIV can also be entered with the

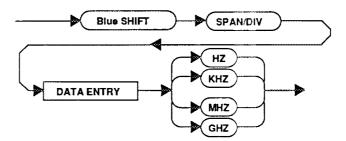
SPAN/DIV pushbutton sequence and the DATA ENTRY pushbuttons. The spectrum analyzer will try to maintain a calibrated display if the TIME/DIV control is in the AUTO position or the AUTO RESOLN pushbutton is active (lit).

When the FREQUENCY SPAN/DIV is in the maximum span mode, the full band is displayed. A dot near the top of the screen indicates the center frequency readout position on the span. This dot and the center frequency position will be center screen when the FREQUENCY SPAN/DIV is reduced from the MAX position. When the markers are on, they show the frequency position, and the dot goes to center.

When the FREQUENCY SPAN/DIV is reduced to zero, the spectrum analyzer operates like a tunable receiver. The spectrum analyzer displays signals within the resolution bandwidth in the time domain, with the crt reading out time/div instead of frequency span/div.

12 **<Blue-SHIFT> SPAN/DIV** — This pushbutton sequence allows direct entry of frequency span/division, with two significant digits of resolution. The span/div range that can be selected is 200 Hz/div to 1.2 GHz/div.

The maximum range available is a function of frequency range. If a value outside the allowable range is entered, the span/div will switch to the lowest non-zero or maximum span. Spans entered from the DATA ENTRY pushbuttons are terminated with one of the four unit pushbuttons (GHz, MHz, kHz, or Hz).



13 ZERO SPAN — This pushbutton switches the span to zero for time domain display. When deactivated, the span/div returns to its previous value.

14 MAX SPAN — When activated, the spectrum analyzer sweeps the entire range of the frequency band. The position of the spectrum analyzer's center frequency is shown with a dot near the top of the screen. When this function is turned off, the span returns to the previous Frequency Span/Div setting. When the markers are on, they show the frequency position, and the dot goes to center.

15 RESOLUTION BANDWIDTH — This control selects the bandwidth of the spectrum analyzer. Selected bandwidth is indicated on the crt readout. Bandwidth selections are 1 kHz, 10 kHz, 100 kHz, 1 MHz, and 3 MHz.

Time/div is automatically selected when the TIME/DIV control is in the AUTO position.

16 UNCAL — This indicator lights when the display amplitude or frequency is no longer calibrated; for instance, the sweep rate is not compatible with the frequency span/div and resolution bandwidth. Select a slower sweep rate or larger resolution bandwidth to return to calibrated operation.

17 AUTO RESOLN — When this function is on, resolution bandwidth is automatically selected to maintain a calibrated display for the selected frequency span/div, time/div, video filter, and vertical display modes. When the TIME/DIV control is in the AUTO position, resolution bandwidth is selected as a function of frequency span/div only, and time/div is selected to maintain a calibrated display at the highest sweep rate. The RESOLUTION BANDWIDTH control will not operate when AUTO RESOLN is on (the message AUTO RESOLN MUST BE OFF TO CHANGE RESOLUTION will appear on the screen).

18 IDENT — IDENT is used to separate real signals from spurious responses. When the function is active, alternate sweeps are shifted vertically, and the 1st and 2nd local oscillator frequencies shift. This shift causes spurious signals to shift horizontally on alternate sweeps. Real or true signals are not shifted (normal shift is less than 2 MHz in external waveguide bands, 1/2 division in coaxial bands), while spurious signals can be shifted more than 100 MHz. For this function to operate, the FREQ SPAN/DIV must be 50 kHz or less.

Marker Functions

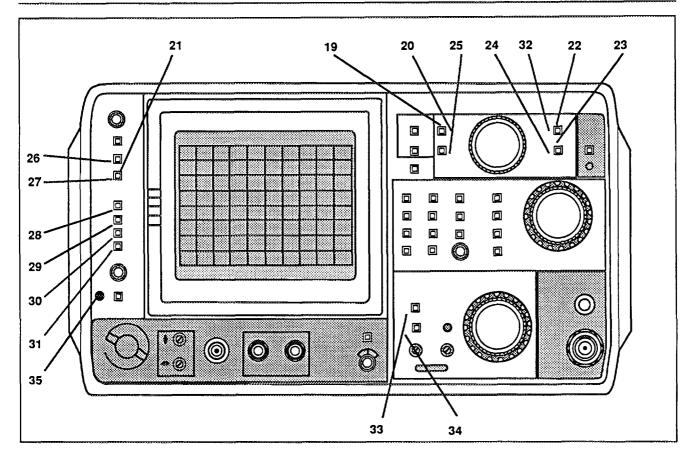


Figure 4-3. Marker Functions.

19 TUNE CF/MKR — When this pushbutton is lit, a single marker is turned on at the trace of highest priority. You can move the marker with the CENTER/MARKER FREQUENCY control. When the pushbutton is pressed again, the marker remains and does not change its horizontal position. The CENTER/MARKER FREQUENCY control now adjusts the center frequency.

20 <Blue-SHIFT> MKR OFF — This pushbutton sequence turns the marker(s) off.

21 MARKER MENU — This pushbutton calls up a menu display on the crt that allows selection of one of the available marker commands that are not permanently assigned to a front-panel pushbutton.

RIGHT NEXT — This moves the Marker to the next signal higher in frequency than the present marker. If there is no signal higher in frequency than the Marker that meets threshold and signal type parameters, one of the following messages will be displayed on the screen (depending on whether CW, PULSE or SPURS has been selected as the signal type):

NO CW TO THE RIGHT ABOVE THRESHOLD NO PULSE TO THE RIGHT ABOVE THRESHOLD NO SPUR TO THE RIGHT ABOVE THRESHOLD

Select SET SIGNAL THRESHOLD and SET SIGNAL TYPE from the Marker Menu to set the parameters for the signal search.

LEFT NEXT — This moves the Marker to the next signal lower in frequency than the present marker. If there is no signal lower in frequency than the Marker that meets threshold and signal type parameters, one of the following messages will be displayed on the screen (depending on whether CW, PULSE or SPURS has been selected as the signal type):

NO CW TO THE LEFT ABOVE THRESHOLD NO PULSE TO THE LEFT ABOVE THRESHOLD NO SPUR TO THE LEFT ABOVE THRESHOLD

Select SET SIGNAL THRESHOLD and SET SIGNAL TYPE from the Marker Menu to set the parameters for the signal search.

NEXT LOWER PEAK — This moves the Marker to the next signal lower in amplitude than the present marker. If there is no signal lower in amplitude than the Marker that meets threshold and signal type parameters, one of the following messages will be displayed on the screen (depending on whether CW, PULSE or SPURS has been selected as the signal type):

NO LOWER CW SIGNAL ABOVE THRESHOLD NO LOWER PULSE SIGNAL ABOVE THRESHOLD NO LOWER SPUR ABOVE THRESHOLD

Select SET SIGNAL THRESHOLD and SET SIGNAL TYPE from the Marker Menu to set the parameters for the signal search.

NEXT HIGHER PEAK — This moves the Marker to the next signal higher in amplitude than the present marker. If there is no signal higher in amplitude than the Marker that meets threshold and signal type parameters, one of the following messages will be displayed on the screen (depending on whether CW, PULSE or SPURS has been selected as the signal type):

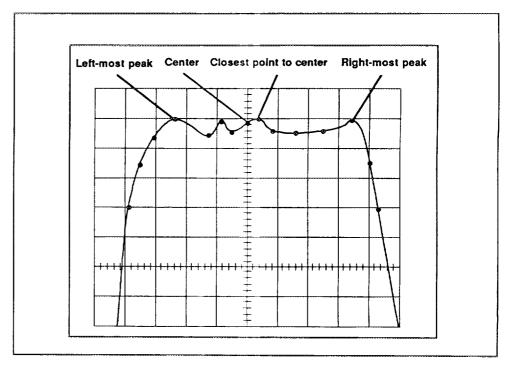


Figure 4-4. Locating the signal peak.

NO HIGHER CW SIGNAL ABOVE THRESHOLD NO HIGHER PULSE SIGNAL ABOVE THRESHOLD NO HIGHER SPURS ABOVE THRESHOLD

Select SET SIGNAL THRESHOLD and SET SIGNAL TYPE from the Marker Menu to set the parameters for the signal search.

SET SIGNAL TYPE — This alters the marker functions to recognize one of three signal types above the threshold

CW — Identifies continuous wave signals and ignores spurious signals and impulses.

PULSE — Identifies the peak of pulsed RF lobes for either line (lines must be <2 minor divisions apart) or dense spectra.

SPURS — Identifies all signals.

Figure 4-4 is a signal enlarged to show how the spectrum analyzer locates the signal peak with one of the signal processing functions. The signal processing functions are RIGHT NEXT, LEFT NEXT, NEXT LOWER PEAK, NEXT HIGHER PEAK. The spectrum analyzer looks at both the individual left-most and right-most peaks of a signal. From this reading the spectrum analyzer calculates the exact center of the signal. If this location is a digital storage point, the marker is positioned here. If, as in Figure 4-4, the calculated center of the signal does not coincide with a digital storage point, the marker is positioned on the closest point to the center. At the end of this Marker Functions portion are five illustrations shown the use of this command.

SET SIGNAL THRESHOLD — When active, the instrument selects the minimum signal level recognized in Right Next, Left Next, Next Lower Peak, Next Higher Peak, Peak Find, Bandwidth Mode, and Signal Track. Select AUTO to automatically set the threshold above the noise floor.

ASSIGN FUNCTION TO KEY — This displays a menu (Assign Menu) of additional marker functions that can be assigned to either the <green-SHIFT> ASSIGN 1 or <green-SHIFT> ASSIGN 2 pushbutton. Call up HELP for the assigned pushbutton to get a description of the assigned function. The function will remain assigned to the pushbutton, even with power off, until another function is assigned. The ASSIGN MENU accesses the following functions as well as RIGHT NEXT, LEFT NEXT, NEXT LOWER PEAK, and NEXT HIGHER PEAK, which are described under MARKER MENU.

MOVE RIGHT X dB — This allows you to select the number of dB to move the primary marker while staying on the trace (horizontal movement to the right). If there is no level to the right of the primary marker that meets threshold parameters, the message NO POINT TO THE RIGHT TO MOVE TO will be displayed on screen.

MOVE LEFT X dB — This allows you to select the number of dB to move the primary marker while staying on the trace (horizontal movement to the left). If there is no level to the left of the primary marker that meets threshold parameters, the message NO POINT TO THE LEFT TO MOVE TO will be displayed on the screen.

FIND PEAK AND CENTER — This places the active marker at the peak of the highest on-screen signal (refer to the <green-SHIFT> PEAK FIND description later in this section). If a signal is present, the center frequency is set equal to the marker frequency; this centers the signal of interest. If there is no signal above the threshold, the message NO POINT FOUND ABOVE THE THRESHOLD will be displayed on the screen, and the marker will not move, which is useful to center a signal just before reducing the span/div by several settings at once.

ENTER BANDWIDTH NUMBER -- This selects the value for the Bandwidth mode.

GREEN-SHIFT LOCK — This locks <green-SHIFT> on so all green-labeled functions can be directly selected. When Green-Shift Lock is on, the black-labeled functions associated with pushbuttons that have green-labeled functions cannot be accessed. Blue-labeled functions operate normally. Press <green-SHIFT> to exit.

22 +STEP — When the instrument is in the Tune Marker mode (the TUNE CF/MKR pushbutton is lit), this function increases the marker frequency by steps (this function is limited to the edge of the screen when not on an active trace). The step size is determined by <green-SHIFT> STEP SIZE or <blue-SHIFT> STEP ENTRY. See +STEP earlier in this section under Frequency for alternate operation.

23 - STEP — When the instruments is in the Tune Marker mode (the TUNE CF/MKR pushbutton is lit), the function decreases the marker frequency by steps (this function is limited to the edge of the screen when not on an active trace). The step size is determined by <green-SHIFT> STEP SIZE or

shifT> STEP ENTRY. See -STEP earlier in this section under Frequency for alternate operation.

24 < Green-SHIFT> STEP SIZE — This pushbutton sequence defines the frequency step as the center frequency, marker frequency, or the delta marker frequency, whichever mode is active.

25 <Blue-SHIFT> MKR → CENTER — This pushbutton sequence centers the signal at the active marker by setting the center frequency equal to the marker frequency (this function is not available with a stored trace). When doing counted frequency, this moves the counted frequency to center.

26 < Green-SHIFT> AMKR -- This pushbutton sequence is the on-off switch for the Delta Marker mode. When activated, a second marker appears. The symbols () appear on the screen on the marker readout line to indicate delta frequency and delta amplitude. To use Delta Marker, select TUNE CF/MKR and set the marker to a point of interest on the trace using the CENTER/MARKER FREQUENCY control. Activate the Delta Marker mode and move one of the markers to a second point of interest. Push ΔMKR again to turn delta markers off.

27 < Green-SHIFT> MKR START STOP — This pushbutton sequence allows you to set the start and stop frequencies directly form the delta marker position (this function is not available with a stored trace). <Green-SHIFT> AMKR must be on for this function to operate.

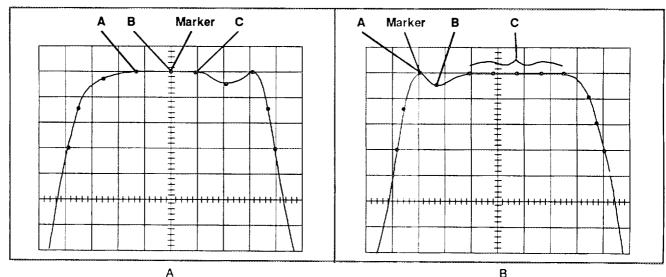


Figure 4-5. Using <green-SHIFT> PEAK FIND.

- 28 < Green-SHIFT> PEAK FIND This pushbutton sequence places the primary marker at the peak of the highest on-screen signal without regard to signal type (CW, PULSE, SPURS). Peak B would be selected from the cluster in Figure 4-5A, peak A would be selected in Figure 4-5B because the low point (B) would stop a search from continuing to the cluster (C).
- 29 <Green-SHIFT> BANDWIDTH This pushbutton sequence places markers on a selected signal and displays the X dB bandwidth (select ENTER BANDWIDTH NUMBER from the marker menu to set X). The screen will display NO SIGNAL BW IDLE when there is no signal at the marker that meets threshold and bandwidth parameters. Set the parameters by selecting SET SIGNAL THRESHOLD and ENTER BANDWIDTH NUMBER after calling up the MARKER MENU each time.
- 30 <Green-SHIFT> ASSIGN 1 This pushbutton sequence turns on the assigned function.
- 31 <Green-SHIFT> ASSIGN 2 This pushbutton sequence turns on the assigned function.
- 32 <Green-SHIFT> 1 \leftarrow MKR \rightarrow 2 This pushbutton sequence alternately selects which marker will be tuned when <green-SHIFT> Δ MKR is on.
- 33 <Green-SHIFT> MKR→REF LVL This pushbutton sequence changes the reference level of the top graticule to the present marker amplitude (this function is not available with a stored trace).
- 34 <Green-SHIFT> dB/Hz This pushbutton sequence mathematically figures the average noise power in a 1 Hz bandwidth at the current marker position.
- 35 < Green-SHIFT> SIGNAL TRACK This pushbutton sequence automatically maintains tuning of a drifting signal within limits. While this mode is active SIGNAL TRACK will be displayed on the screen. SIGNAL TRACK IDLE will be displayed when there is no signal above the threshold. Select SET SIGNAL THRESHOLD from the MARKER MENU to set the threshold.
- Signal Finding To the finding routine, a "candidate" signal consists of a peak above threshold and two points (one on each side of the peak) that are 3 dB below the peak. The location of the signal is the highest amplitude point on the signal. Whether or not the candidate is recognized as a signal depends upon the processing mode chosen, When SPURS is chosen, all candidates are taken to be signals. When CW is chosen, a signal (to be a signal) must be at least half as wide as would be predicted from the resolution filter in use. (Note that if the span is wide in comparison with the resolution bandwidth, there may be no difference between SPURS and CW). The minimum bandwidth criteria for CW is defined as the two 3 dB down points that must be more than 1/2 a resolution bandwidth apart. When PULSE is chosen, if two candidate signals are within two minor divisions (0.4 of a major division), they are assumed to be either time-related lines or spectral lines belonging to the same pulse. This extends to multiple lines; in a group of such lines, the highest-amplitude line will be identified as the center of the signal. Related information is located in the Helps and Hints section of the Programmers Manual under Understanding How Waveform Processing Works.

Figures 4-6 through 4-10 illustrate the use of SET SIGNAL TYPE that can be selected from the MARKER MENU. All of the figures use the signal processing function RIGHT NEXT. Any of the other signal processing functions (LEFT NEXT, NEXT LOWER PEAK, NEXT HIGHER PEAK) work similarly, according to their specific function.

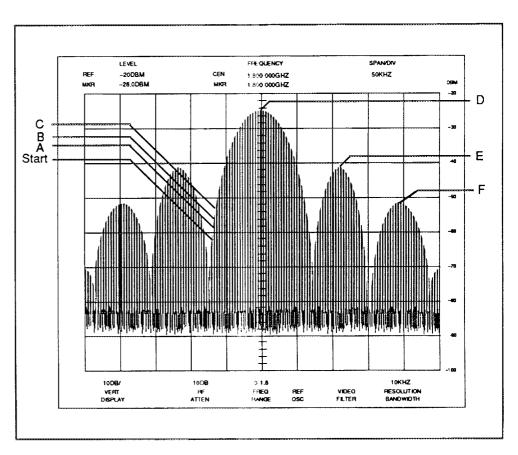


Figure 4-6. Signal finding example

Figures 4-6, 4-7, and 4-8 — If CW was selected, the spectrum analyzer would not identify any signal because none of the signals displayed meets the minimum bandwidth criteria. If PULSE was selected, the signals labeled D, E, and F would be identified because the other signals in the display are less than 2 minor divisions apart. If the signals were greater than 2 minor divisions apart, PULSE would have identified all labeled signals (A, B, C, etc.). If SPURS was selected, all signals would be identified (A, B, C, etc.).

Figure 4-9 — The NEXT RIGHT function begins at the left screen margin. With this display CW, PULSE, and SPURS will each identify all of the signals because they all meet the minimum bandwidth criteria (the selections would be A, B, C, E, and E).

Figure 4-10 — The threshold is assumed to be -70 dBm. If CW was selected, signals B, E, F, and G would be identified. The other signals would not be identified because they do not meet the minimum bandwidth criteria. If PULSE was selected, signals A, B, D, E, F, and G would be identified. Signal C would be skipped, because it is within 2 minor divisions from signal B. The PULSE algorithm will think signal C is a part of signal B. If SPURS was selected, all signals would be identified.

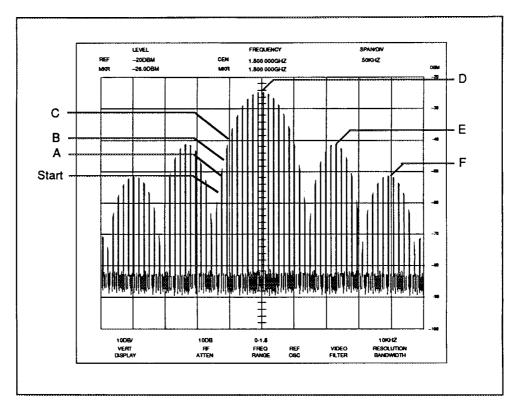


Figure 4-7. Signal Finding Example.

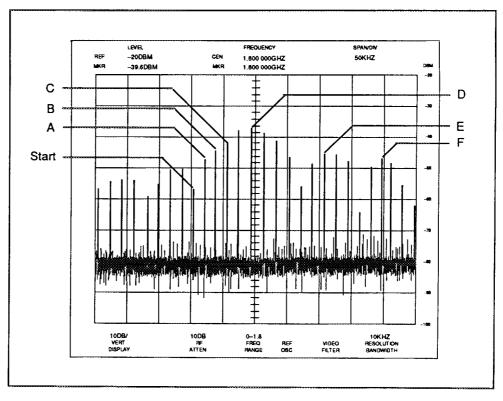


Figure 4-8. Signal Finding Example.

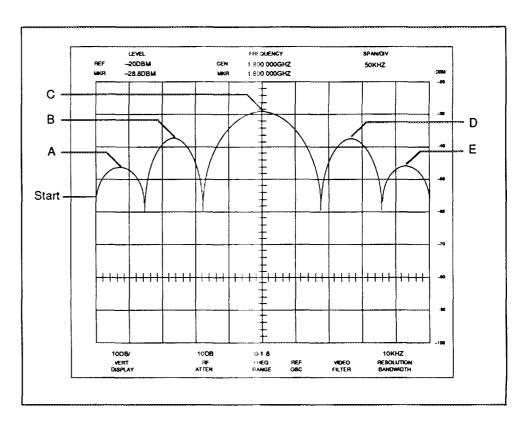


Figure 4-9. Signal Finding Example.

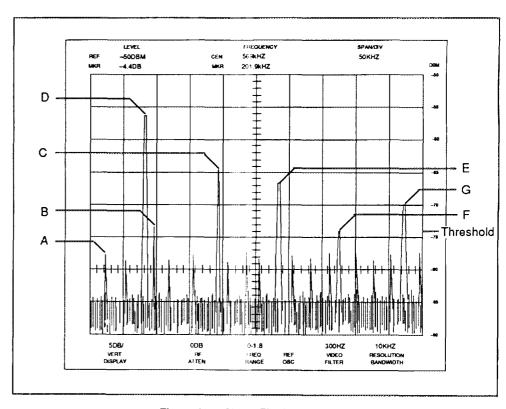


Figure 4-10. Signal Finding Example.

Display Parameters

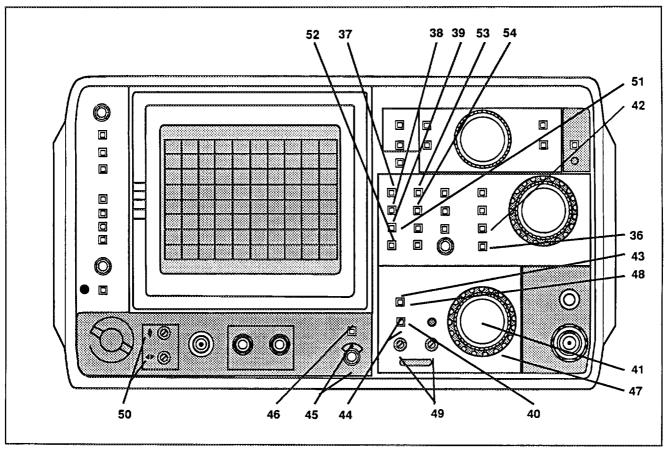


Figure 4-11. Display Parameters.

36 <Blue-SHIFT> dB/DIV — This pushbutton sequence allows direct entry of the desired amplitude display factor. The range is 1 to 15 dB/div in 1 dB increments. Numbers outside the allowable range will be ignored. Terminate the dB/div number entered with the dB pushbutton.

VERTICAL DISPLAY — These three pushbuttons select the vertical display factors. The crt readout indicates the selection. The vertical display factor, in the Log mode, can also be entered with the DATA ENTRY pushbuttons.

- **37 10 dB/DIV** With this pushbutton activated, the dynamic range of the display is a calibrated 80 dB with each major graticule division representing 10 dB.
- **38 2 dB/DIV** This pushbutton increases resolution so that each major graticule division represents 2 dB. Display dynamic range is 16 dB.
- **39 LIN** With this pushbutton activated, a linear display between zero volts (bottom graticule line) and the reference level (top graticule line), scaled in volts/division, is selected (see the Reference Level description).

40 **<Blue-SHIFT>** REF LEVEL UNITS — This pushbutton sequence calls up a menu that allows the selection of reference level units or offset as shown below.

0 - dBm

1--- dBV

2 --- dBmV

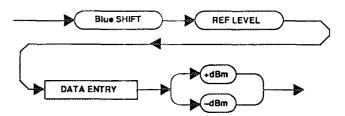
3 --- dBuV

4 - Enter reference level offset

41 REFERENCE LEVEL — This control changes the reference level one step for each stop. Automatic selection of the IF gain and RF attenuation provide for the best overall noise and distortion performance. In the Log Vertical Display mode, when FINE is not activated, the step size equals the selected dB/div factor, except for 2 dB/div, where step size is 1 dB. When FINE is activated, the step size is 1 dB for dB/div factors of 5 or more, and 0.25 dB for Vertical Display factors of <5 dB/div. When the display factor is less than 5 dB/div and FINE is activated, the Delta A mode is selected. With LIN selected and FINE off, the bottom of the crt graticule is zero volts, and the top of the crt graticule is eight times the vertical display factor. The display factor changes in a 1-2-5 volts/division sequence from 500 mV to 50 nV. Refer to Section 6 for a description of the Delta A mode.

42 **<Blue-SHIFT>** REF LEVEL — This pushbutton sequence allows direct entry of reference level, with 1 dB resolution. The range is +30 dBm to -117 dBm (+50 dBm if the Minimum Noise mode and Reduced Gain mode are selected).

Values entered outside this range are ignored (values will be in the selected units: dBm, dBV, dBmV, or dB μ V). Either the +dBx or --dBx pushbutton terminates the reference level numbers entered.



43 FINE (Δ A In <5 dB/DIV) — This pushbutton selects step size for the REFERENCE LEVEL control. Step size is 1 dB for display factors of 5 dB/div or more, and 0.25 dB for display factors of less than 5 dB/div. When step size is 0.25 dB, the Delta A mode is selected. The crt Ref Level readout goes to 0.00 dB, and the REFERENCE LEVEL control steps in 0.25 dB increments. Refer to Delta A mode operation in Section 6 for more details. With LIN selected, the reference level changes in 1 dB steps and the scale factor per division is 1/8 the voltage equivalent of the reference level.

44 MIN NOISE/MIN DISTORTION

MIN NOISE (pushbutton lit) — In this mode, the noise level is reduced by changing the RF attenuation and IF gain used for a particular reference level. Both are reduced 10 dB so noise generated in the IF stages is decreased. Intermodulation products will increase, however. RF attenuation must be at least 10 dB more than the MIN RF ATTEN dB setting for this control to have any effect. This is the usual operating mode.

MIN DISTORTION (pushbutton not lit) — In this mode, intermodulation distortion products are minimized.

- **45 MANUAL PEAK** This control varies the mixer bias for external mixers and peaks the internal preselector tracking in the 1.7 GHz to 21 GHz frequency range (bands 2 through 5). The control is used to peak signal response.
- 46 **<Blue-SHIFT> PEAK MENU** This pushbutton sequence calls up a menu that lists the available methods to adjust the preselector tracking or external mixer bias as shown below. In preselected bands, the peak code consists of numbers at 500 MHz intervals.
 - 0 KNOB Selects the MANUAL PEAK control.
 - 1 STORED VALUE Selects a previously stored peaking value for the frequency.
 - 2 INPUT Inputs a number from 0 to 1023 for electronic peaking.
 - 3 REPEAK Executes an automatic peaking routine.
- 47 MIN RF ATTEN dB This control specifies the lowest value of input attenuation that will be used when REF LEVEL is selected. This allows operator control to protect the front end of the analyzer against overload and/or damage from excessive signal level into the 1st mixer. Actual attenuation is set according to the MIN RF ATTEN dB, REFERENCE LEVEL and MIN NOISE/MIN DISTORTION selections and is displayed on the crt readout. If the MIN RF ATTEN dB setting is increased, the IF gain is automatically changed to maintain the current reference level, if possible. The normal position is 0 to obtain the best noise level performance.
- 48 <Blue-SHIFT> CAL This pushbutton sequence starts a frequency and reference level measurement procedure that uses the spectrum analyzer calibrator. Messages on the crt screen will guide you through the adjustments of vertical and horizontal POSITION, and LOG and AMPL CAL. The spectrum analyzer then runs an amplitude measurement routine for the resolution bandwidth filters.

The frequency measuring routine adjusts center frequency by measuring the frequency of each resolution bandwidth filter to reduce center frequency variation when changing resolution bandwidth. The relative amplitude measuring routine reduces reference level variation when changing resolution bandwidth. The noise bandwidth routine measures the resolution filter bandwidth and computes the factor for 1 Hz equivalent noise. To ensure that the instrument meets frequency and amplitude performance characteristics, run this routine whenever the instrument's surrounding temperature changes significantly. Cal factors that are used internally to correct for the errors measured by this function are retained in memory when the instrument power is off. To display these factors, press

>blue-SHIFT> LIN.

- 49 LOG and AMPL CAL These screwdriver adjustments calibrate the vertical portion of the display. LOG CAL adjusts the logarithmic gain in dB/div, and AMPL CAL adjusts the display amplitude. Press

 cblue-SHIFT> CAL to initiate a procedure that will guide you through these adjustments, as well as the vertical and horizontal POSITION adjustments. Refer to

 cblue-SHIFT> CAL for additional information.
- **50 POSITION** These screwdriver adjustments position the display along the horizontal and vertical axes. The

 Shliet > CAL pushbutton sequence will guide you through the adjustments of these controls. Refer to

 Shliet > CAL for additional information.
- 51 <Blue-SHIFT> LIN (Self-measurement results; not identified on the front panel) The factors used to internally correct for frequency and amplitude errors are displayed. The factors shown are as measured with the last <blue-SHIFT> CAL operation. If one of the factors could not be measured at the last operation, the old value will be noted. This means that the previously measured value is used.

If < or > appears next to the amplitude calibration factor, it means that this filter's amplitude related to the widest filter is outside the range of correction (correction is set to the limit). Press

slue-SHIFT> to exit.

52 PULSE STRETCHER — This pushbutton causes the fall-time of pulse signals to be decreased so very narrow pulses can be seen. The effect is most apparent for pulsed RF signals where pulse width is small compared to one division of sweep time. Pulse stretcher operation may be necessary for a digital storage display of such signals, to ensure that the correct amplitude is displayed.

VIDEO FILTER

53 WIDE — This pushbutton reduces video bandwidth and high-frequency components for display noise averaging. The video bandwidth selected is approximately 1/30th of the selected resolution bandwidth (1/100th for 3 MHz). Selecting WIDE cancels NARROW. The filter value is displayed in the lower readout.

54 NARROW — This pushbutton reduces video bandwidth and high-frequency components for display noise averaging. The video bandwidth selected is approximately 1/300th of the selected resolution bandwidth (1/1000th for 3 MHz). Selecting NARROW cancels WIDE. The filter value is displayed in the lower readout.

Sweep

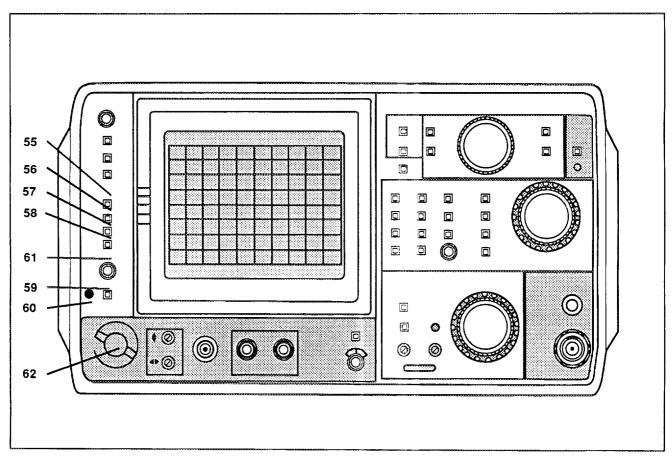


Figure 4-12. Sweep.

Triggering

55 FREE RUN — This pushbutton allows the sweep to free run without regard to trigger source. Other TRIGGERING selections are cancelled, including single-sweep.

56 INT — This pushbutton allows the sweep to be triggered by any signal at the left edge of the display that has an amplitude of 2.0 divisions or more. Other TRIGGER-ING selections are cancelled, including single-sweep.

57 LINE — This pushbutton allows a sample of the ac power line voltage to trigger the sweep. Other TRIGGERING selections are cancelled, including single-sweep.

58 EXT — This pushbutton allows the sweep to be triggered by signals that are applied through the rear-panel HORIZ|TRIG (EXT IN) connector. Other TRIGGERING selections are cancelled, including single sweep.

59 SINGLE SWEEP — When first pressed, this pushbutton activates the single-sweep mode and stops the current sweep. When pressed again, the sweep trigger circuit is armed and the READY indicator is lit. The sweep will run only after it receives a trigger signal. When SINGLE SWEEP is selected, the TRIGGERING selection (i.e., FREE RUN, INTernal, LINE, or EXTernal) is not changed. Select any TRIGGERING selection to cancel SINGLE SWEEP.

60 READY (only used in Single Sweep mode) — This indicator lights when the trigger circuit is armed and ready for a trigger signal. It remains lit until the sweep ends.

61 MANUAL SCAN — With TIME/DIV in MNL position, rotate this control to manually scan the spectrum.

62 TIME/DIV — This control selects sweep rates from 5 s/div to 20 μs/div, in a 1-2-5 sequence, in addition to AUTO, MaNuaL, and EXTernal sweeps.

AUTO (automatic) — This position allows the 10 s/div sweep rate to be selected automatically to maintain a calibrated display for most FREQUENCY SPAN/DIV, RESOLUTION BANDWIDTH, VIDEO FILTER, and Vertical Display selections.

EXT (external sweep) — This position allows the sweep circuit to be driven by a signal applied to the rear-panel HORIZ|TRIG (EXT IN) connector. A voltage ramp of 0 to +10 V will sweep 10 divisions of horizontal (X) axis.

MNL (manual) — This position allows the spectrum or display to be manually swept with the MANUAL SCAN control.

Digital Storage

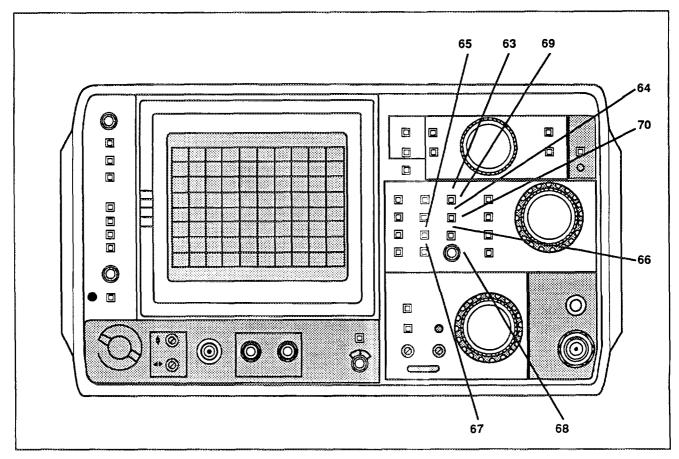


Figure 4-13. Digital Storage.

DIGITAL STORAGE — These pushbuttons allow either or both sections of memory to be selected to provide digital storage. When VIEW A and VIEW B are activated, contents of both the A and B memories are displayed on the screen. Both sections are updated with each sweep.

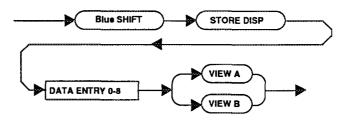
63 VIEW A — This pushbutton causes the A waveform to be displayed. If SAVE A is on and only the A waveform is being viewed, the crt readout will show the settings when the A waveform was stored.

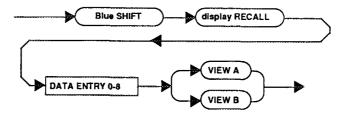
64 VIEW B — This pushbutton causes the B waveform to be displayed.

65 SAVE A — This pushbutton saves the A waveform and its readout. The readout stored with the waveform is displayed if both SAVE A and VIEW A are on and VIEW B and B-SAVE A are off; if either VIEW B or B-SAVE A is on, the readout reflects the current spectrum analyzer settings. Turning SAVE A off cancels B-SAVE A if it is on. The A waveform is not updated by the sweep if SAVE A is on.

66 B-SAVE A — When activated, the spectrum analyzer displays the difference between the B waveform and the A waveform and automatically turns on SAVE A. The factory-set zero reference line is mid-screen, and positive differences are displayed above this line and negative differences below. Refer any change in the position of the zero reference line to authorized service personnel.

- 67 MAX HOLD This pushbutton causes digital storage to retain the maximum signal amplitude at every storage location (500 locations, or 1000 locations if SAVE A is off). If SAVE A is on, the A waveform is not affected. Use MAX HOLD to measure frequency drift or peak amplitude excursions of a signal.
- **68 PEAK/AVERAGE** This control selects the vertical position (shown on the screen by a horizontal line) at which digital storage switches from peak detection to signal averaging. Video signals above the cursor are peak detected; video signals below the cursor are digitally averaged.





Display

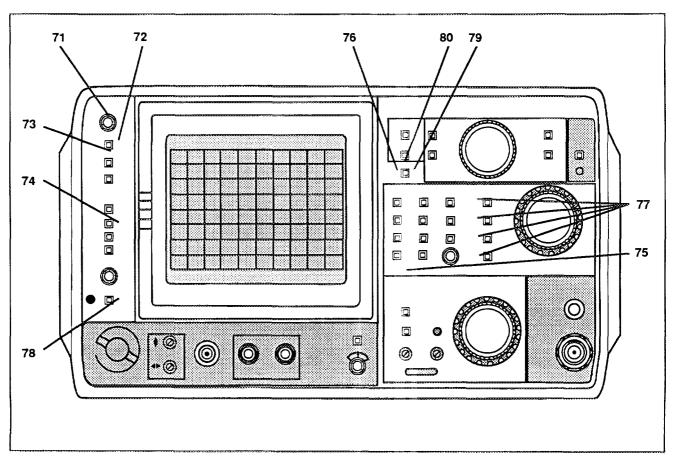


Figure 4-14. Display.

71 INTENSITY — This control adjusts the brightness of the crt trace, readout, and text. Beam focus is automatically controlled.

72 <Blue-SHIFT> READOUT — This pushbutton sequence turns crt readout on and off. The brightness is proportional to the trace brightness. This pushbutton does not affect prompt or help messages.

73 GRAT ILLUM — This pushbutton switches the graticule lights from dim for low-light viewing to bright for photographing displays.

74 <Blue-SHIFT> BASELINE CLIP — This pushbutton clips, or blanks, about one graticule division of the spectrum trace at the baseline of the display. Use BASELINE CLIP to observe the readout at the bottom of the screen or to eliminate the bright baseline when photographing displays.

75 DATA ENTRY — These orange pushbuttons are used to enter data directly from the front panel when directed by a message on the crt.

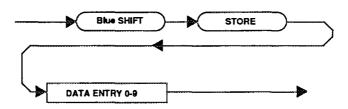
Numbers — The numbers 0 through 9 and a decimal point are available to enter data from the front panel.

76 BACKSPACE — This pushbutton backs the cursor up one space each time it is pressed, erasing the number in that location. This allows you to enter correct numerical data before finishing the sequence with a units pushbutton.

77 Units — The units GHz, MHz, kHz, Hz, +dBx, -dBx, and dB are available to complete a number-entry function from the front panel.

78 <Blue-SHIFT> RESET — This pushbutton sequence resets all front-panel settings to their original condition as if power was just turned on.

79 **<Blue-SHIFT> STORE** — This pushbutton sequence allows a front-panel setup to be stored in memory. Up to ten settings can be stored in registers 0-9. The crt displays a list of center frequencies of each setup as an aid in identifying the contents of each register. Select the desired register, and the setup is stored. The instrument settings are automatically stored in register 0 when the spectrum analyzer is turned off, overwriting the settings previously stored there.



80 RECALL SETTINGS — This pushbutton recalls an instrument front-panel setup from memory. The crt displays a list of the center frequencies of each stored setup as an aid in identifying the contents of each register (0-9). The sweep time and minimum RF attenuation settings stay at the knob values. Select the desired register number, and the front-panel controls automatically switch to that setup. The instrument settings are automatically stored in register 0 when the spectrum analyzer is turned off, overwriting the settings previously stored there. To return to these settings, press RECALL SETTINGS 0.

General Purpose

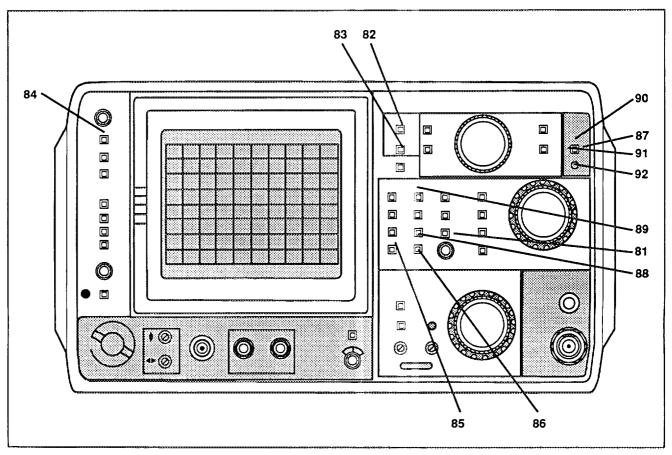
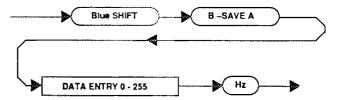


Figure 4-15. General Purpose.

81 <Blue-SHIFT> B-SAVE A (Plot B-Save A Offset; not identified on the front panel) — The vertical position of the zero reference line for the B-SAVE A display is set with an

internal switch selection. However, when using the PLOT function, the position of the zero reference for the plot must be entered using this function. The range for the position is 0 to 255 (25 point/division) with 125 representing center screen. Enter the position with the DATA ENTRY pushbuttons when prompted by the crt message, and terminate with the Hz pushbutton. The entered position is then stored in memory.



- **82 <Blue-SHIFT>** This pushbutton allows selection of the blue-labeled front-panel pushbutton function. Press <blue-SHIFT> each time before selecting a blue-lettered function. <Blue-SHIFT> also stops multiple-pushbutton sequence operations.
- **83 «Green-SHIFT»** This pushbutton allows selection of the green-labeled front-panel pushbutton functions. Press «green-SHIFT» each time before selecting a green-lettered function. «Green-SHIFT» also stops multiple-pushbutton sequence operations.

84 HELP — This pushbutton causes text to be displayed on the crt to explain the function of a selected front-panel control or pushbutton. Press the HELP pushbutton, then press any pushbutton or turn most controls for an explanation of their function. Press HELP again to exit. Explanations are not available for the PEAK/AVERAGE, INTENSITY, MANUAL PEAK, or MANUAL SCAN controls.

<Blue-SHIFT> HELP — This pushbutton sequence allows selection of all explanations for functions called out on the front panel in blue. <Blue-SHIFT> HELP only needs to be pressed once to begin the selection (i.e., <blue-SHIFT> HELP, REF LEVEL, PLOT, READOUT). Press HELP again to exit this mode.

85 <Blue-SHIFT> PULSE STRETCHER (Diagnostic Aids; not identified on the front panel) — This pushbutton sequence displays a menu on the crt of all the available diagnostic aids for use while troubleshooting.

WARNING

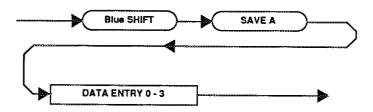
Most of the diagnostic aids information is for qualified service personnel only. Unfamiliarity with safety procedures can result in personal injury. Perform only the operations that can be completed from the instrument front panel. Do not attempt to remove the instrument panels or perform any internal operations. Contact qualified service personnel.

86 <Blue-SHIFT> MAX HOLD (Instrument Errors; not identified on the front panel) — This pushbutton sequence displays on the crt all the detected instrument errors for use while troubleshooting.

88 <Blue-SHIFT> PLOT — This pushbutton sequence causes display information to be sent over the GPIB to directly drive a plotter. Select the plotter type by pressing the <blue-SHIFT> SAVE A pushbutton sequence. Refer to Plotting The Display in Section 6 for details. This pushbutton also causes the spectrum analyzer to update the GPIB address.

88 <Blue-SHIFT> SAVE A (Select Plotter Type; not identified on the front panel.)) — This pushbutton sequence displays the list of the plotter types available for use with the <blue-SHIFT> PLOT pushbutton sequence. Select the desired plotter type by choosing one of the menu items and entering the number on the DATA ENTRY pushbuttons. Any plotter that is compatible with one of those listed can also be used. The selected plotter type is stored in memory. The menu choices are:

- 0 -- Tektronix 4662
- 1 Tektronix 4662 Option 31
- 2 --- HP7470A
- 3 HP7475A, HP7580B, HP7585B, HP7586B., or Gould



89 <Blue-SHIFT> VIDEO FILTER WIDE (Special Modes Menu; not identified on the front panel) — This pushbutton sequence brings up a menu from which you can select the special modes (see below) available within the instrument. Refer to Section 6 for additional information.

- 0 TRACKING GENERATOR MODE
- 1 SIDEBAND ANALYZER MODE
- 2 REDUCED GAIN MODE
- 3 EOS CORRECTIONS MODE
- 4 ZERO-SPAN TIME MODE

90 RESET TO LOCAL — This pushbutton is lit when the spectrum analyzer is in the remote state. While remote, other front-panel controls are not active except for PEAK/AVERAGE, INTENSITY, MANUAL SCAN, and MANUAL PEAK, if enabled. Indicators still reflect the current state of front-panel functions. While the spectrum analyzer is under local control no GPIB messages are executed that would conflict with the front-panel controls or change the waveforms in digital storage. See Programming Features in Section 6 for additional information.

91 <Green-SHIFT> SRQ — This pushbutton sequence sends a service request over the GPIB bus to the controller.

92 ADDRESSED — This indicator lights when the spectrum analyzer is addressed to either talk or listen, The characters T, L, and/or S appear in the crt readout to indicate talk, listen, and/or SRQ, respectively.

Front-panel input/output

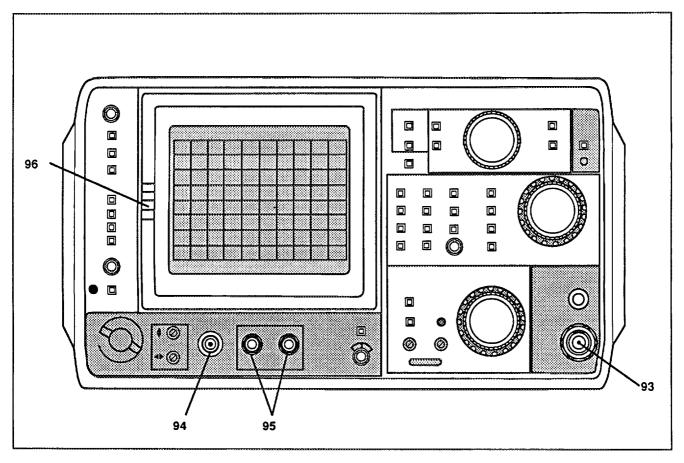


Figure 4-16. Front Panel Input/Output.

93 RF INPUT 50Ω — This 50Ω coaxial input connector is for RF signals to 21 GHz. If the input signal has a dc component, use a blocking capacitor in line with the signal.

CAUTION

The maximum, non-destructive input signal level to the input mixer is +30 dBm at the input of the spectrum analyzer.

The maximum rating of the RF attenuator is +30 dBm (1W average, 75 W peak pulse width 1 ms or less, with a duty cycle that does not exceed 0.001). Burn-out occurs above 1W. If MIN NOISE is activated and the RF ATTEN is 60 dB, the +30 dBm rating will be exceeded if the signal level is increased to a full-screen display. Under these conditions the input level will be +40 dBm. Reduce the level of high-powered signals with external attenuators. Input signals to the mixer must not contain any dc component. Refer to Signal Application in Section 6.

94 CAL OUT (Calibrator output) — This connector is the source of a calibrated –20 dBm (±0.3 dB), 100 MHz signal and a comb of frequency markers 100 MHz apart. This 100 MHz source is the instrument reference frequency.

95 OUTPUT (1ST LO/2ND Lo) — These connectors are the outputs of the respective local oscillators. The connectors must be terminated into 50Ω when they are not connected to an external device.

96 Camera Power — This connector is the source of power for the Tektronix C-50 Series Cameras that have electrically-actuated shutters (either the C-5 or the C-59 is recommended). Single-sweep reset is not provided.

Rear-panel Input/Output

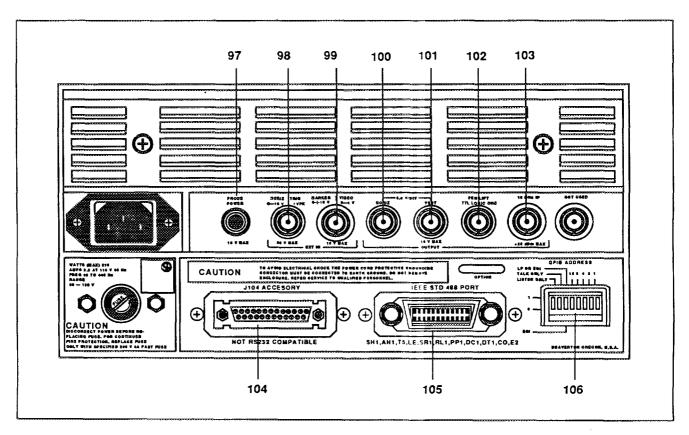


Figure 4-17. Rear Panel Input/Output.

97 PROBE POWER — This connector provides operating power for active probe systems. The connector should be used only with compatible probes or accessories specifically designed for use with this power source.

98 HORIZ|TRIG (EXT IN) — Horizontal or triggering modes depend on the TRIGGERING and TIME/DIV selections. In the External Triggering mode, the connector is an ac coupled input for trigger signals. Trigger amplitudes from 1.0 V to 50 V dc and ac peak, with a 0.1 μs minimum pulse width or within the frequency range of 15 Hz to 500 kHz, are required for triggering. When the TIME/DIV selection is EXT, the connector is a dc coupled input for horizontal sweep voltages. Deflection sensitivity is 1 V/div. A 0 to +10 voltage will deflect the beam across the screen from left to right.

99 MARKER\VIDEO (EXT IN) — This connector provides an external video input and interfaces the spectrum analyzer with a Tektronix 1405 TV Adapter to display an externally-generated marker.

100 HORIZ (OUTPUT) — This connector supplies a 0.5 V/div horizontal signal. Full range is -2.5 V to +2.5 V. Source impedance is approximately 1 k Ω .

NOTE

Both HORIZ and VERT output signals are driven from digital storage if it is on. Both signals are driven from the analyzer sweep and video amplifier stage if digital storage is off.

101 VERT (OUTPUT) — This connector provides access to the video signal with 0.5 V for each division of displayed video that is above and below the center line. Source impedance is approximately 1 $k\Omega$.

102 PEN LIFT (OUTPUT) — This connector provides access to a TTL compatible signal to lift the pen of a chart recorder during spectrum analyzer sweep retrace. This signal is always derived from the spectrum analyzer sweep, regardless of the selection of the digital storage.

103 10 MHz IF (OUTPUT) — This connector provides access to the output of the 10 MHz IF.

104 J104 ACCESSORY — This connector provides bi-directional access to the instrument bus. It is not RS 232 compatible. A TTL 0 applied to pin 1 selects External Video. Video signals which are applied to rear-panel MARKER|VIDEO are connected to the video path ahead of the video filters.

105 IEEE STD 488 PORT (GPIB) — This connector interfaces the instrument to the selected plotter, and the GPIB bus. The interface functions provided in the spectrum analyzer are listed in Table 4-1.

Table 4-1
INTERFACE FUNCTIONS

Source Handshake	SH1
Acceptor Handshake	AH1
Talker	T5
Listener	L3
Service Request	SR1
Remote/Local	RL1
Parallel Poll	PP1
Device Clear	DC1
Device Trigger	DT1
Controller	C0

106 GPIB ADDRESS — These switches set the value of the lower five bits of the instrument GPIB address; this value is the instrument's primary address. These switches also select the Talk Only and Listen Only operating modes, and the message terminator for input and output. Address 31 (11111) logically disconnects the spectrum analyzer from the bus. Addresses 30 and 0 are usually reserved for controller addresses. If these switches are changed after the instrument is already active, press RESET TO LOCAL or
blue-SHIFT> PLOT to cause the spectrum analyzer to re-read them.

Details of how the switches are used in remote control are in the Programmers Manual.

Instrument Check Out

This section includes the basic instrument check-out procedures and first-time preparation for use. An instrument operational check is included for the front-panel pushbuttons and controls and some of the operating functions. No extra equipment is required to perform these check-out procedures, and the instrument covers do not need to be removed. Refer any additional instrument check out to qualified service personnel.

Firmware Version and Error Message Readout

Firmware Version

When the spectrum analyzer is first turned on, the front-panel processor firmware version will be displayed on screen for approximately two seconds, and all front -panel LEDs will light up.

Error Message Readout

If the instrument detects an internal firmware failure, a failure report comes on screen and remains for approximately 2 seconds. A status message then appears and remains for as long as the failure exists. Press
blue-SHIFT> MAX HOLD to bring error messages to the screen that explain the impact of the failure on instrument operation.

If the oscillator frequency cannot be set due to a hardware failure, it will continue to try each sweep, and the sweep holdoff time will increase with each try. To disable attempted oscillator corrections, press <blue-SHIFT> 10dB/DIV; however, center frequency accuracy specifications will not be met in this mode. Press <blue-SHIFT 10dB/DIV again to reenable oscillator correction routines. Another failure message will appear if the failure has not been corrected.

There are other error messages to report a calibrator failure, power supply failure, and battery-operated RAM checksum error. Promptly report any error messages to qualified service personnel.

Preparation for Use

The following procedure creates a display and calibrates center frequency readout, display reference level, and bandwidth. Whenever the SHIFT pushbutton is required in this procedure to precede a multiple pushbutton sequence, it is enclosed in arrows; i.e. <blue-SHIFT>.

1. Initial Turn On

a. Connect the spectrum analyzer power cord to an appropriate power source (see Power Source And Power Requirements in Section 3 of this manual) and push the POWER switch ON.

When POWER is switched ON (power-up), the processor runs a memory and I/O test. If no processor system failures are found, the power-up program will complete in approximately 15 seconds, and the instrument will be ready to operate. The crt readout is functioning properly if it is as shown in in Figure 5-1 after the 15-second power-up period. If a problem does exist within the instrument, a message will appear on the screen. To bypass the failure test and attempt to use the instrument, press the pushbutton as directed in the error message. However, performance may not be as specified.

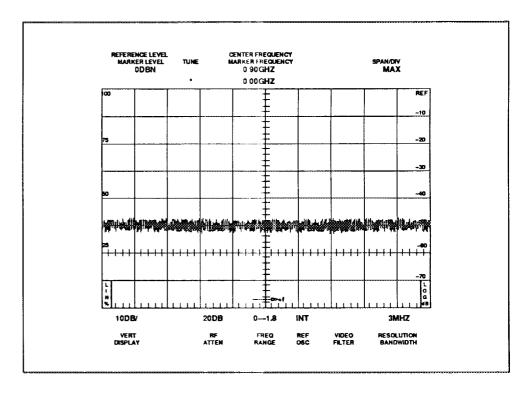


Figure 5-1. Crt display and readout at initial turn on.

The spectrum analyzer operating functions and modes will initialize to the following power-up states.

REF LEVEL	0 dBm
MARKER FREQUENCY	0.00 GHz
CENTER FREQUENCY	0.90 GHz
SPAN/DIV	MAXimum
VERTICAL DISPLAY	10 dB/
RF ATTENUATION	20 dB
FREQ RANGE	0-1.8
RESOLUTION BANDWIDTH	3 MHZ
TRIGGERING	FREE RUN
AUTO RESOLutioN	On
DIGITAL STORAGE	VIEW A/VIEW B On
MIN NOISE	On
All other pushbuttons	Inactive or Off

b. Set the MIN RF ATTEN dB control to 0 (NORM) and the PEAK/AVERAGE control fully counterclockwise. Set the TIME/DIV control t AUTO and the REF LEVEL to read -20 DBM, and adjust the INTENSITY control for the desired brightness. Note that the RF ATTENUATION readout is now 0 DB.

c. Connect a 50Ω coaxial cable between CAL OUT connector and RF INPUT to apply the CAL OUT signal to the RF INPUT connector.

- d. A dot marker will appear in the upper portion of the screen in the MAX frequency mode. This marker indicates the location on the display to which the spectrum analyzer frequency is tuned. With a frequency readout of 0.00GHZ, the marker will be in the upper left portion of the screen, Rotate the CENTER/MARKER FREQUENCY control and watch the dot marker move across the display. Note that the Center FREQUENCY readout (top line) remains at 0.90GHZ, and that the Marker FREQUENCY readout (second line) changes according to the position of the marker (dot).
- e. A comb of 100 MHz markers will be displayed, as shown in Figure 5-2. To select 100 MHz center frequency, press the pushbutton sequence of <blue-SHIFT>FREQ 1 0 0 MHz.
- f. To change the FREQ SPAN/DIV readout to 100MHZ, press the pushbutton sequence of blue-SHIFT>SPAN/DIV 1 0 0 MHz. The dot marker is now horizontally centered, and the 100 MHz calibrator signal is at center screen.

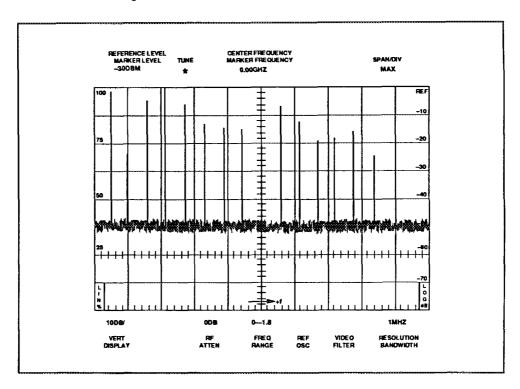


Figure 5-2. Typical display of calibration markers in the maximum span position.

2. Calibrate Position, Center Frequency, Reference Level and Bandwidth

NOTE

When the <blue-SHIFT>CAL sequence is pressed, the spectrum analyzer performs a center frequency and reference level calibration. Prompts appear on the screen to guide you step-by -step through the procedure. This calibration should be done at regular intervals. It must be done before the instrument will meet its center frequency and reference level accuracy performance specifications. It should also be done any time the instrument ambient temperature is substantially different from the last calibration. An explanation of reference level accuracy with respect to ambient temperature is described in the Specification section of this manual.

To see the results after the spectrum analyzer has completed a calibration routine, press the <blue-SHIFT>LIN sequence. A message will appear on the screen that shows the correction factors used by the spectrum analyzer to center the resolution bandwidth filters to produce a calibrated center frequency. It also shows the correction that was required to bring the amplitude level within 0.4 dB of the 3 MHz filter amplitude.

Press the <blue-SHIFT>CAL sequence to start the calibration routine. Prompt messages on the screen will guide you through setting the four front-panel adjustments of vertical and horizontal POSITION, and AMPL and LOG CAL. This sets the absolute reference level for the 1 MHz resolution bandwidth filter. An automatic calibration is then done, which measures and corrects for absolute frequency and amplitude (relative to 1 MHz) errors of the filters. This takes approximately 60 seconds, if a message appears on the screen, refer to Error Message Readout earlier in this section. The correction factors are held in memory. Press FINE to continue calibration as instructed or either SHIFT pushbutton to exit the routine.

Functional or Operational Check

This procedure uses minimum test equipment to check instrument operating modes, functions, and basic performance. The procedure checks that the instrument is operating properly. The internal calibrator and attenuator are used as the source to check most of the operational characteristics. Since both are very accurate, this check should satisfy most incoming inspection or pre operational check-out requirements. This check will also help familiarize you with the instrument operation. A detailed Performance Check that verifies all performance requirements in the Specification section is included in the Service Manual, Volume 1.

Equipment Required

The only external equipment used is an N-male to-bnc-female adapter and the 50 Ω coaxial cable, which are supplied as standard accessories.

Preliminary Preparation

Perform the procedure described under Preparation for Use, then allow the instrument to warm up for at least 15 minutes before proceeding with this check.

1. Check Operation of Front-Panel Pushbuttons and Controls

This procedure checks the operation of all front-panel pushbuttons and controls and ensures that the buttons illuminate when the function is active.

The LEDs light on the pushbuttons when the function is active. Lighted LEDs also indicate the allowable selections for any of the multiple function pushbuttons. For example all DATA ENTRY pushbuttons light after <blue>SHIFT> FREQ, <blue>SHIFT> SPAN/DIV, <blue>SHIFT> REF LEVEL, or <blue>SHIFT> dB/DIV shift functions have been selected. Any lighted pushbutton can enter data for that selection. Messages are displayed on the crt as guides to the entry sequence of these selections.

Connect the CAL OUT signal to the RF INPUT with the 50 Ω cable and bnc to N adapter. Tune the 100 MHz, -20 dBm signal to center screen. Reduce the FREQ SPAN/DIV readout to 20 kHz, and change the VERTICAL DISPLAY to 2 dB/DIV. Press or change the following pushbuttons and controls and note their affect on the operation.

INTENSITY — Rotate the control through its range and note the crt beam brightness changes.

HELP — When this mode is activated, press or operate any pushbutton and most controls to produce a help message on the crt that explains the function of that pushbutton or control. Help messages also prompt action or explain any error message that may appear. Activate this mode, press various pushbuttons, and observe the crt message for each. Press the HELP pushbutton again to cancel. To get HELP messages for shifted functions, press either SHIFT pushbutton, press HELP, then press the desired pushbutton.

GRAT ILLUM — When activated, the graticule is illuminated.

MARKER MENU — Press this pushbutton to display a menu of available marker commands that are not permanently assigned to a front-panel pushbutton.

TRIGGERING — To activate the triggering mode, press one of the four pushbuttons. The pushbutton illuminates when in the active state. Press any of the pushbuttons to cancel or deactivate any other mode. Turn VIEW A and VIEW B off to better observe the triggering effect.

FREE RUN - In the active state, the trace free runs.

INT — When active, the sweep is triggered when the signal or noise level at the left edge is ≥2.0 division.

- (a) Set the Vertical display to 10 dB/ and tune the 100 MHz calibrator signals to the center of the display. Adjust the REFERENCE LEVEL control so the amplitude of the noise is 2 or more divisions at the left edge of the screen.
- (b) Activate INT TRIGGERING to trigger the sweep.
- (c) Activate FREE RUN, and set the VERTICAL DISPLAY to 2 dB/DIV so the amplitude at the left edge is less then 2 division.
- (d) Reactivate INT TRIGGERING, the sweep is no longer triggered.

LINE — When active, the trace is triggered at power line frequency. Switch to LINE and the sweep will be triggered.

EXT — When this function is active, the trace runs only when an external signal ≥1.0 V peak is applied to the back-panel EXT IN connector. Since external test equipment is required to check this function a check cannot be made with this procedure.

SINGLE SWEEP — When this function is active, single sweeps aborts the current sweep. Press the pushbutton again to arm the sweep generator and light the READY indicator. When triggering conditions are met after the circuit is armed, the analyzer makes only one sweep. The indicator will remain lit until the sweep has run. The single sweep mode is canceled when any TRIGGERING pushbutton is pressed. The effect of SINGLE SWEEP is more apparent with VIEW A and VIEW B off.

- (a) Press FREE RUN TRIGGERING, and set TIME/DIV to 0.5 s.
- (b) Press SINGLE SWEEP to abort the sweep.
- (c) Press SINGLE SWEEP again and the READY indicator lights and the sweep runs.
- (d) Press FREE RUN to cancel single sweep; return TIME/DIV to AUTO.

TIME/DIV — This control selects sweep rate, manual scan, and external sweep operation. In the MNL position, the MANUAL SCAN control should move the crt beam across the horizontal axis of the crt graticule. In the EXT position, a voltage of 0 to +10 V, applied to the rear-panel HORIZ|TRIG connector, should deflect the crt beam across the full 10 division screen.

VERTICAL DISPLAY — Display modes are activated by three pushbuttons. Press any of these pushbuttons to cancel any other mode. Turn VIEW A and VIEW B on.

10 dB/DIV — When this pushbutton is activated, the display is calibrated 10 dB/division with an 80 dB dynamic range.

- (a) With REF LEVEL readout of -20 dBm, activate 10 dB/DIV. Set the FREQ SPAN/DIV to 20 kHz and tune the calibrator signal to center screen.
- (b) Change REF LEVEL, and the display steps in 1 division increments representing 10 dB/division. Return the REF LEVEL to -20 dBm.

2 dB/DIV — When this pushbutton is pressed, the display is calibrated 2 dB/division with 16 dB of dynamic range.

- (a) Activate 2 dB/DIV and change the REF LEVEL readout to -6 DBM. The display now steps 1.0 division for each two steps of the REFERENCE LEVEL control.
- (b) Return the REF LEVEL readout to -20 DBM.

LIN — When this pushbutton is pressed, the display is linear between the reference level (top of the graticule) and zero volts (bottom of the graticule), and the crt VERTICAL DISPLAY reads out in volts/division.

Activate LIN and the Vertical Display readout changes to mV/division.

PULSE STRETCHER — When this pushbutton is pressed, the fall-time of video signals increases so narrow video pulses will show on the display.

- (a) Increase the FREQ SPAN/DIV readout to 100 MHZ, change the VERTICAL DISPLAY to 10 DB/DIV, increase TIME/DIV to 1 ms, and switch VIEW A and VIEW B both off.
- (b) The markers should increase in brightness when PULSE STRETCHER is activated.
- (c) Turn the PULSE STRETCHER off, return TIME/DIV to AUTO, and turn both VIEW A and VIEW B on.

VIDEO FILTER — Two filters can be independently selected to provide WIDE or NAR-ROW (approximately 1/30th or 1/100th of the resolution bandwidth or theWIDE filter and 1/300th or 1/1000th of the resolution bandwidth for the NARROW filter) filtering to reduce noise.

- (a) Change the FREQ SPAN/DIV readout to 500 KHZ, and tune the calibrator signal to center screen.
- (b) Alternately activate WIDE and NARROW Video Filters. The noise in each filter is reduced as the filter is switched in (see Figure 5-3). The NARROW filter will have a more pronounced effect on noise reduction. Note the change in sweep rate when the TIME/DIV selector is in the AUTO position, when the Digital Storage is off.
- (c) Turn both Video Filters off.

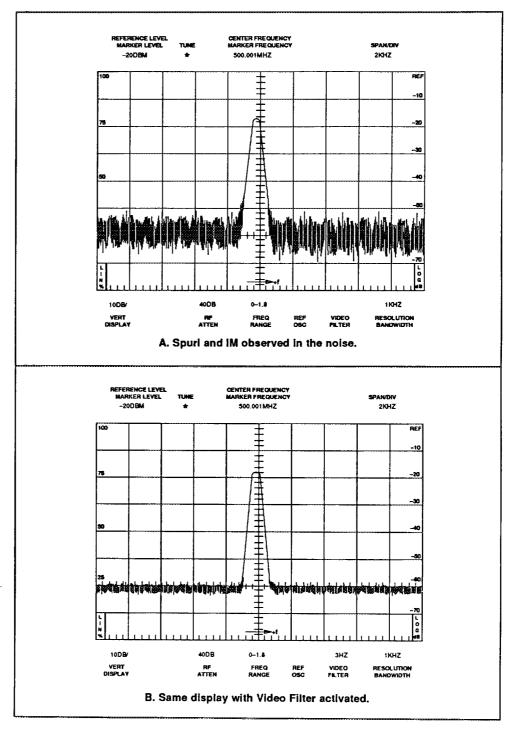


Figure 5-3. Integrating a display with the VIDEO FILTER

DIGITAL STORAGE — Select either one or both of the A and B waveforms from digital storage. The amplitude of a signal should remain constant when digital storage is turned on (VIEW A or VIEW B activated). The PEAK/AVERAGE control positions a cursor over the vertical window of the screen, with noise and signal level averaged below the cursor and peak-detected above the cursor.

VIEW A — When this pushbutton is pressed, the A waveform from digital storage is displayed. With SAVE A off, the A waveform is updated each sweep as the beam travels from left to right. With SAVE A on, the waveform is not updated.

VIEW B — When this pushbutton is pressed, the B waveform is displayed. When both VIEW A and VIEW B are active, the A and B waveforms are interlaced and displayed. Both waveforms depend on the state of SAVE A.

SAVE A — When SAVE A is activated, the A waveform with its readout is saved. In this mode, the data for the A waveform is not updated each sweep. Turn VIEW B off, SAVE A on, and change the setting of the REFERENCE LEVEL control. The A display will not change. The readout for the saved waveform will be displayed any time SAVE A is on and VIEW B and B-SAVE A are off. If either VIEW B or B-SAVE A is on, the readout reflects the current analyzer setup.

MAX HOLD — When this pushbutton is pressed, the maximum signal amplitude at each memory location is stored. The waveform is updated only when signal data is greater than previously stored. To verify operation, change the settings of the CENTER/MARKER FREQUENCY or REFERENCE LEVEL controls; the maximum level at each location will be retained.

B-SAVE A — Press this pushbutton to display the arithmetic difference between an updated B waveform and a SAVE A waveform. The SAVE A function is automatically activated when B-SAVE A is pressed.

Press B-SAVE A, and change the REFERENCE LEVEL setting so the difference between the B and SAVE A waveform is displayed with VIEW A and VIEW B off. The reference (zero difference) level is factory set at graticule center. The position of the reference level can be changed by qualified service personnel. Positive differences between two displays appear above this line and negative differences below the line.

PEAK/AVERAGE — When digital storage is on, this control positions a horizontal line, or cursor, any where within the graticule window. Signals above the cursor are peak detected, signals below the cursor are averaged by the digital storage. To verify operation, move he cursor within the noise level; the noise amplitude will change as the cursor is positioned.

IDENTIfy — When the identify function is activated, every other sweep with its waveform is vertically displaced from the other. The frequencies of the 1st and 2nd local oscillators are moved so that true signals are not displaced horizontally on alternate sweeps while spurious signals are shifted significantly, or off screen. The FREQUENCY SPAN/DIV setting must be 50 kHz or less. Refer to Using the Signal Identifier under General Operating Information, in Section 6 of this manual.

- (a) With the 500 MHz calibrator harmonic tuned to center frequency, decrease the FREQUENCY SPAN/DIV setting to 50 kHz or less and press IDENT.
- (b) There will be no horizontal displacement of the 500 MHz signal on alternate sweeps. To help determine if the signal is true or spurious (see Figure 5-4), decrease the sweep rate or push SAVE A with both VIEW A and VIEW B on, so a comparison can be made.
- (c) Turn IDENT off.

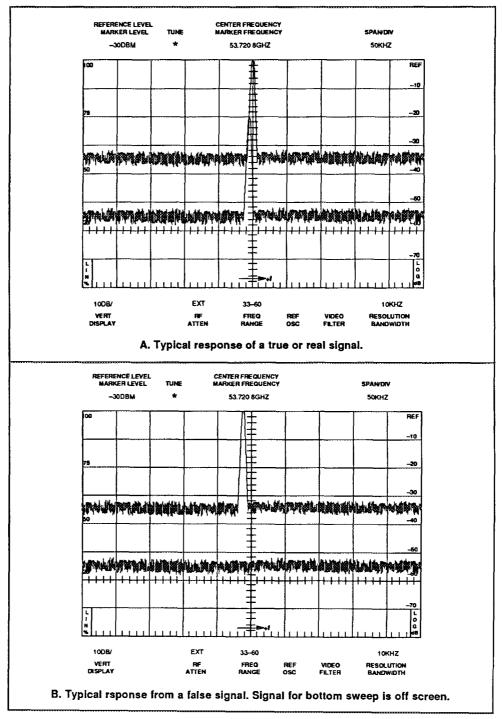


Figure 5-4. Using the IDENT feature to identify a real or true response.

AUTO RESOLN — When this pushbutton is pressed and FREQUENCY SPAN/DIV and TIME/ DIV settings are changed, resolution bandwidth is automatically selected by the processor to maintain a calibrated display. To check operation, change FREQUENCY SPAN/DIV or TIME/DIV settings; the RESOLUTION BANDWIDTH will change. The UNCAL indicator should not light over the FREQUENCY SPAN/DIV range if the TIME/DIV selector is in the AUTO position.

MAX SPAN — When activated, the span switches to maximum and the analyzer sweeps the full band. When deactivated the Span/Div returns to its previous setting.

ZERO SPAN — When activated, the span shifts to zero for a time-domain display. When deactivated, the span returns to its previous setting.

FREQUENCY SPAN/DIV — As this control is rotated, the Span/Div changes between 0 and Max, and the display indicates the change. The range of selections depends on the frequency band (see specifications in Section 2).

RESOLUTION BANDWIDTH — As this control is rotated from a full counterclockwise position, the resolution bandwidth changes in decade steps from 1 kHz to 3 MHz when AUTO RESolution is off.

REFERENCE LEVEL — With 10 dB/DIV VERTICAL DISPLAY active and FINE off, the REF LEVEL readout steps in 10 dB increments as the control is rotated. When FINE is activated, the steps are 1 dB. In the 2 dB/DIV mode, the steps are 1 dB with FINE off and 0.25 dB with FINE active. When the Vertical Display factor is 4 dB/div or less with FINE on, the analyzer switches to the delta A mode. in the delta A mode, the REF LEVEL readout goes to 0.00 dB then steps in 0.25 dB increments as the REFERENCE LEVEL control is rotated.

- (a) Set the MIN RF ATTEN dB control to 0 dB and VERTICAL DISPLAY to 10 dB/DIV. Rotate the REFERENCE LEVEL control counterclockwise to 30 dBm, then clockwise to -110 dBm.
- (b) The REF LEVEL readout changes in 10 dB increments.
- (c) Press FINE, and change the setting of the REFERENCE LEVEL control. The REF LEVEL readout now steps in 1 dB increments.
- (d) Press <blue-SHIFT> dB/DIV and 4 dB with the DATA ENTRY pushbuttons, and the REF LEVEL readout goes to 0.00 dB. Rotate the REFERENCE LEVEL control. The REF LEVEL now steps in 0.25 dB increments from the 0.00 dB reference (FINE off).
- (e) Return the REF LEVEL readout to -20 dBm. Instrument is in the MIN NOISE mode.

MIN RF ATTEN dB — This control sets the minimum amount of RF attenuation in the signal path, regardless of the REFERENCE LEVEL control setting. To check operation, set the MIN RF ATTEN dB selector to 20 and change the REFERENCE LEVEL control settings. The RF ATTENUATION readout will not go below 20 dB.

FINE — When activated, the REFERENCE LEVEL control steps decrease to the Fine mode. (Refer to the REFERENCE LEVEL check earlier in this section).

MIN NOISE/MIN DISTORTION — This pushbutton selects one of two methods that select RF attenuator and IF gain. MIN NOISE (button illuminated) reduces the noise level by reducing attenuation 10 dB and decreasing IF gain 20 dB. MIN DISTORTION reduces IM distortion due to input mixer overload. The normal mode of operation is with minimum noise. To observe any change, the amount of RF ATTENUATION displayed by the crt readout must be 10 dB higher than the MIN RF ATTEN dB selector setting.

(a) Set the FREQUENCY readout to 100 MHz, FREQ SPAN/DIV to 500 kHz, REF LEVEL readout to -20 dBm, VERTICAL DISPLAY to 10DB/, and MIN RF ATTENUATION readout will indicate 0 dB.

- (b) Activate MIN DISTORTION. The noise floor will increase approximately 10 dB, and the RF ATTENUATION readout will change to 10 dB.
- (c) Deactivate MIN DISTORTION.

UNCAL — This indicator lights when the display is uncalibrated.

- (a) Set the TIME/DIV control to 50 ms, deactivate AUTO RESOLutioN, and set RESOLUTION BANDWIDTH to 10 kHz.
- (b) The UNCAL indicator should light and remain lit until the FREQ SPAN/DIV readout is reduced to 200 kHz or the RESOLUTION BANDWIDTH is increased to 100 kHz.
- (c) Return TIME/DIV control to AUTO, press AUTO RESOLutioN, and set the FRE-QUENCY SPAN/DIV control to 100 MHz.

SHIFT — These pushbuttons shift multiple-function pushbuttons to their alternate function. The names of most of these alternate functions are printed in blue or green letting next to the pushbutton. The shift mode deactivates after the function has been performed. DATE ENTRY pushbuttons for the shift mode are labeled with orange lettering.

- (a) Press <blue-SHIFT> STORE, and select register number 1 with the DATE ENTRY pushbuttons to store the current front-panel setup.
- (b) Change front-panel pushbutton and control settings.
- (c) Press RECALL SETTINGS, then DATA ENTRY 1 to recall the setup.
- (d) The instrument front-panel set-up returns to that previously entered, with the exception of the Time/Div and RF Attenuator setting.
- Δ **F** When the delta F function is activated, FREQUENCY readout initializes to 0. The frequency difference, to a desired signal or point on the display, can be determined by tuning that point to center screen and noting the readout. Check by measuring the difference between calibrator harmonics. If the delta frequency is tuned below 0, the readout will include a minus sign. Turn Δ F off.

TUNE CF/MARKER — When this pushbutton is lit, a Marker appears as a bright spot on the screen and the CENTER/MARKER FREQUENCY control tunes the Marker; the FREQUENCY readout remains constant. An asterisk (*) between the FREQUENCY and REF LEVEL readout indicates that the CENTER/MARKER FREQUENCY control is tuning the Marker Frequency. Turn marker off.

- **+STEP/—STEP** When these pushbuttons are pressed, the marker or center frequency is increased or decreased by steps. Perform the following steps while in Tune CF mode.
 - (a) Reduce the SPAN/DIV readout to 50 MHz, set the FREQUENCY readout to 100 MHz. Press

 STEP ENTRY; enter 25 MHz with the DATA ENTRY pushbutton. Press +STEP, the FREQUENCY readout will increase to 125 MHz. Press + STEP again and the FREQUENCY readout will increase to 150 MHz.

(b) Push the -STEP pushbutton. The FREQUENCY readout will decrease to 125 MHz, and push -STEP again to return the FREQUENCY readout to 100 MHz.

PEAK MENU --- This pushbutton selects PEAK MENU when

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If the spectrum analyzer is operated in the preselector bands (1.7–21 GHz), the preselector initiates a peaking routine on any signal within the center two divisions of the screen. The peak code consists of numbers at 500 MHz intervals. The algorithm will peak the preselector tuning for this center frequency setting, then store this peak setting in battery-operated memory. If a signal is not on screen, the algorithm will revert to the code that was previously stored in memory; or, if there is no setting, to the mid point of the peaking range. After a setting for a band has been stored, you can switch between preselector bands with the assurance that the preselector is peaked well enough to track the oscillator and provide reasonable sensitivity.

Press <blue-SHIFT> PEAK MENU to select one of four peaking options: KNOB, for manual operation using the MANUAL PEAK control, STORED VALUE, INPUT, for input via DATA ENTRY pushbuttons, and REPEAK.

- (a) With the calibrator signal applied to the RF INPUT, select a FREQUENCY of 2.0 GHz by pressing
 Select a REF LEVEL readout of -40 dBm SPAN/DIV readout of 10 kHz, and a RESOLUTION BANDWIDTH of 1 kHz.">https://doi.org/10.0016/j.com/br/>
 Select a REF LEVEL readout of -40 dBm SPAN/DIV readout of 10 kHz, and a RESOLUTION BANDWIDTH of 1 kHz.
- (b) Press <blue-SHIFT> PEAK MENU, and select item 3 to peak the 2 GHz signal with the MANUAL PEAK control. The message PEAKING will appear on screen and the READY indicator for the SINGLE SWEEP mode will flash as the processor runs the auto-peak routine.
- (c) When complete, the signal amplitude should equal or exceed that obtained with manual peaking.
- (d) Change bands by pressing <blue-SHIFT> BAND▲ or BAND▼, then return to band 1. Auto peak will maintain the setting stored in memory.

Following is an alternate procedure.

Remote bias or peak operation can be checked by using a Tektronix 4041 controller connected to the spectrum analyzer with a general purpose interface bus (GPIB) cable. Set the GPIB ADDRESS switches on the back panel of the spectrum analyzer to a value of 1, then enter and run the following program.

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80 Z=1! ADDRESS OF SPECTRUM ANALYZER EQUALS 1
100 Print "ENTER VALUE";
110 Input A$
120 Print #1:"PEAK";A$
130 Go to 100
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The program will wait until the value 0 to 1023 has been entered (the full range of the bias). If you have a problem incorporate a SRQ handler.

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80 Z=1! ADDRESS OF SPECTRUM ANALYZER EQUALS 1
90 On SRQ Then 140
100 Print "ENTER VALUE";
110 Input A$
120 Print #1:"PEAK";A$
130 Go to 100
140 Poll A,B;1
150 Print "SRQ";B
160 Return
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Enter AUTO instead of a number. The spectrum analyzer will run an auto peak routine, and the word PEAKING will appear on screen during the routine.

RESET TO LOCAL — The RESET TO LOCAL pushbutton is lighted when the spectrum analyzer is under control of the GPIB controller. While under remote control, the other front-panel controls are not active, but indicators will still reflect the current state of all front panel functions except Time/Div, Peak/Average and RF Attenuation.

This pushbutton is not lighted when the spectrum analyzer is under local operator control. While under local control, the spectrum analyzer does not execute GPIB messages that would conflict with front-panel controls or change the waveform in digital storage.

When the pushbutton is pressed, local control is restored to the operator unless the controller prevents this with the local lockout message. Programmable functions do not change when switching from remote to local control, except as necessary to match the settings of front-panel controls for TIME/DIV, MIN RF ATTEN dB, PEAKING and PEAK/AVERAGE.

The internal microcomputer flashes the instrument and front-panel firmware version number and the GPIB address on the crt when the pushbutton is pressed. The microcomputer also updates the GPIB primary address if the GPIB ADDRESS switches have been changed.

For another function of this pushbutton when in the talk-only mode, refer to Talk-Only/Listen-Only Operation in Section 6 of this manual.

GPIB Function Readout — A single character appears in the lower crt readout when the spectrum analyzer is talking (T), listening (L), or requesting service (S). Two characters will appear in this section if the spectrum analyzer is talking or listening and also requesting service, or is in the talk/listen mode.

Blue-SHIFT Functions — Press blue-SHIFT to change the pushbuttons that have more than one function. Some functions require a parameter or command to be entered that includes numerical data. This data is entered with the DATA ENTRY pushbuttons.

- (a) Set the FREQ SPAN/DIV readout to 50 KHZ and turn AUTO RESOLution on. Set the FREQUENCY readout to 2.0 GHZ by pressing <a href="https://doi.org/10.1007/j.com/but-span/div that-but-span-div that-but-span-div
- (b) Enter frequencies of 200 MHz and 200 kHz by repeating the procedure in step a. The FREQUENCY readout will be set to the figures entered with the DATA ENTRY pushbuttons.
- (c) With the DATA ENTRY pushbuttons, set the SPAN/DIV readout to any desired setting. The SPAN/DIV readout will be set to the figures entered with the DATA ENTRY pushbuttons.
- (d) Enter a reference level with the DATA ENTRY pushbuttons. The REF LEVEL readout will be set to the figures entered with the DATA ENTRY pushbuttons.
- (e) Enter a desired vertical display factor with the DATA ENTRY pushbuttons. The VERTICAL DISPLAY readout will be set to the figures entered with the DATA ENTRY pushbuttons.

STORE DISPlay — Press

Volume SHIFT> STORE DISP, the register number where you want to store the display, and the display you want stored (A or B).

RECALL — Press <blue-SHIFT> RECALL, the register number from the displayed menu, and the part of digital storage (A or B) where you want to have the recalled waveform placed.

If A is selected, SAVE A is automatically activated to prevent an overwrite. VIEW A must be on to observe the recalled waveform and VIEW B must be off to see the readout that applies to the recalled waveform. If VIEW B and VIEW A are on, both the recalled waveform in A and the current waveform in B will be displayed. Readout will apply to the current B waveform.

If B is selected, the next sweep will overwrite the display unless SINGLE SWEEP was activated before selecting B; a message will appear on the screen as a reminder of this. VIEW B must be on to observe the recalled waveform and its readout. Remember to deactivate SINGLE SWEEP when leaving this recalled mode.

- (a) Establish a display on the screen. Press

 slue-SHIFT> STORE DISPlay, the memory register number (0-8) to place the display, and the display (A or B) you wish stored.
- (b) Change the characteristics of the current display with the REFERENCE LEVEL or FREQUENCY SPAN/DIV control.
- (c) Press <blue-SHIFT> RECALL, the register number where the display was stored (note the center frequency listed to the stored displays in each register), then VIEW A so the recalled waveform is placed in the A part of digital storage.
- (d) If VIEW A is on and VIEW B off, the recalled display with its readout will now become the A display. SAVE A will activate to prevent overwrite. If VIEW A and VIEW B are on, both the recalled display and the current B display will be on screen. Since the most current display is the B waveform the readout will show the parameters for the B display. Switch VIEW B off to see the readout applicable to the recalled A waveform.
- (e) Recall a stored display into the B section by repeating the process in step d. Before starting the process, press SINGLE SWEEP so the recalled waveform will not be overwritten by the next sweep; a message will appear when you select the B section to remind you of this.) Remember to deactivate SINGLE SWEEP when returning to normal operation.

NOTE

If an attempt is made to recall a display from an empty location, error message RECALL ERROR - - NO DATA AT SELECTION will be issued.

MKR OFF — Press <blue-SHIFT> MKR OFF to turn off the markers.

MKR \rightarrow **CENTER** \rightarrow Press

 SHIFT> MKR \rightarrow CENTER to bring a marker signal to center screen.

- (a) Set the REF LEVEL readout to -20 dBm, FREQUENCY readout to 100 MHZ. Set FREQ SPAN/DIV to 200 KHZ, and VERTICAL DISPLAY to 10 dB/DIV; set RESOLUTION BANDWIDTH to 100 KHZ.
- (b) Tune the signal off center, activate TUNE MKR. Tune the Marker to the top of the signal and press

blue-SHIFT> MKR \rightarrow CENTER. The signal should move to center screen.

BAND ▲/BAND ▼— These <blue-SHIFTed> pushbuttons shift the frequency range up or down from the current band. Press one and then the other and the frequency bands will change accordingly. If the frequency is selected from the DATA ENTRY pushbuttons, the spectrum analyzer automatically selects the appropriate frequency range.

READOUT — Press < blue-SHIFT> READOUT to turn off the crt readout of the markers, REF LEVEL, FREQUENCY, SPAN/DIV, VERTICAL DISPLAY, RF ATTENUATION, FREQ RANGE, RESOLUTION BANDWIDTH, and VIDEO FILTERS. Press

Selue-SHIFT> READOUT to reactivate the readout on the display.

FREQ START STOP — Activating

- Stue-SHIFT> FREQ START STOP allows you to enter a start and stop frequency within the selected band with the DATA ENTRY pushbuttons.

- (a) Enter a start frequency of FREQ 90 MHz with the DATA ENTRY pushbuttons. Enter stop frequency 210 MHz.
- (b) The signals at the 1st and 9th graticule line should be 100 MHz apart. Set the VER-TICAL DISPLAY to 10 dB/DIV and observe that the SPAN/DIV readout is 12 MHZ.

STEP ENTRY — Activate <blue-SHIFT> STEP ENTRY to increase the frequency setting a desired amount. Perform the following steps while in the Tune Marker mode.

Press <blue-SHIFT> STEP ENTRY and enter a step frequency of 10 MHz. Activate +STEP and note that the MARKER FREQUENCY readout is 160 MHZ. Push -STEP to return the FREQUENCY setting to 150 MHZ. Turn off the marker by pressing <blue-SHIFT> MKR OFF.

BASELINE CLIP — Press

- Press

- SHIFT> BASELINE CLIP to clip (blank) the baseline of the display up to about one graticule division.

RESET — Press <blue-SHIFT> RESET to return the instrument to the original power-up state.

REF LEVEL UNITS — Disconnect the calibrator signal from the RF INPUT, and change the REF LEVEL readout to 0 DBM. Press

blue-SHIFT> REF LEVEL UNITS. Select item 1 and note the REF LEVEL readout changes to –13DBV. Select item 2, and note the REF LEVEL readout changes to 47 DBMV. Select item 3, and note the REF LEVEL readout changes to 107DB μ V. Press 0 to return the readout to 0DBM. Reconnect the calibrator signal to the RF INPUT.

Green-SHIFT Functions — Press green-SHIFT to change the pushbuttons that have more than one function. Some functions require a parameter or command to be entered that includes numerical data. This data is entered with the DATA ENTRY pushbuttons. Most green-shifted functions are marker related.

Markers — The markers provide direct readout of frequency and amplitude information of any point along any displayed trace or relative (delta frequency) and amplitude information between any two points along any mode, only the deference in frequency and amplitude will be displayed. Two independent markers frequencies and amplitudes cannot be displayed at the same time.

With the FREQUENCY readout at 100 MHZ, a REF LEVEL readout of –10 DBM, and a FREQ SPAN/DIV of 5 MHZ, press TUNE CF/MKR. A bright dot, the marker, appears on screen, as well as a second line of readout with an asterisk between the REF LEVEL and FREQUENCY readout. Tune the CENTER/MARKER FREQUENCY knob, and note that the marker tunes.

Press TUNE CF/MARKER again, the indicator button will not be lit but the marker remains on screen. When the CENTER/MARKER FREQUENCY knob is rotated now, the marker does not move, but both the Center Frequency and the Marker Frequency change. Also the asterisk has now moved to the first readout line to indicate that the center frequency is being tuned.

Return the FREQUENCY readout to 100 MHz, and press TUNE CF/MARKER to activate the marker.

PEAK FIND — Press <green-SHIFT>PEAK FIND to move the marker to the top of the signal.

- Δ MKR, 1←MKR→2, MKR START STOP, MKR → REF LEVEL, ASSIGN 1, ASSIGN 2 Press <green-SHIFT> Δ MKR to activate a second marker at the position of the single marker on the trace. Parentheses will be added to the second line readout.
 - (a) Rotate the CENTER/MARKER FREQUENCY control; two markers will be on screen. Set the delta marker readout to 5 MHZ.
 - (b) Press <green-SHIFT> 1←MKR→2. The left marker is now brighter as an indication that it is being tuned. Tune the marker until the readout shows –10 MHZ, which is the difference in frequency between the two markers (the delta marker frequency).
 - (c) Press AUTO RESOLN to turn off the auto resolution function then press <green-SHIFT> MKR START STOP. The markers now appear at the left and right edge of the screen and the waveform will be "zoomed in".
 - (d) Press <green-SHIFT> \(\Delta \) MKR again, there will be just a single marker now, and the parentheses around the second line of readout will disappear.
 - (e) Press <green-SHIFT> PEAK FIND, then <blue-SHIFT> MKR→CENTER. The signal is now at center screen.
 - (f) Press <green-SHIFT> MKR→REF LEVEL, the signal and the marker will now be at the top of the screen.
 - (g) Reduce the FREQ SPAN/DIV readout to 500 KHZ, and set the RESOLUTION BANDWIDTH to 1 MHz.
 - (h) Press MARKER MENU. Nine menu items are displayed. Press 7, and you will be prompted to enter the bandwidth number. Enter 10 /dB with the DATA ENTRY pushbuttons, press <green-SHIFT> BANDWIDTH MODE, and observe that the Delta MKRs have moved down 10 dB from the top of the signal. Delta frequency is a little over 1 MHz wide. Press <green-SHIFT> BANDWIDTH MODE again to turn it off.
 - (i) Press

 Slue-SHIFT> MKR OFF, and using the DATA ENTRY pushbuttons, set the FREQUENCY readout to 400 MHZ and the FREQ SPAN/DIV readout to 25 MHZ. set the Peak/Average cursor to the bottom of the screen. Press TUNE CF/MKR.
 - (j) Press <green-SHIFT> PEAK FIND. The marker will now be positioned on the 300 MHz calibrator signal (the left-most tall signal of the three signals on screen).
 - (k) Press MARKER MENU. Nine menu items are displayed. Press 6 and the Assign Menu is displayed with seven menu items. Press 3 and note that both ASSIGN pushbuttons light. Press ASSIGN 1 to assign the Next Higher Peak function.
 - (I) Press MARKER MENU again. Press 6 to get the Assign Menu. Press 2. Press ASSIGN 2 to assign the Next Lower Peak function.
 - (m) Press <green-SHIFT> ASSIGN 2. The marker will move to the 400 MHz calibrator harmonic. Press the <green-SHIFT>ASSIGN 2 pushbutton one more time; the marker will move to the 500 MHz calibrator harmonic. Press <green-SHIFT> ASSIGN 1 twice to return the marker to the original 300 MHz signal. Press
blue SHIFT> TUNE CF/ MKR to turn the marker off.

SIGNAL TRACK — Press the <green-SHIFT> SIGNAL TRACK sequence to keep a drifting signal on screen.

- (a) Set the REF LEVEL readout to -20 dBm, the FREQUENCY readout to 100.010 MHZ the SPAN/DIV readout to 5 KHZ. Push the VERTICAL DISPLAY 10 dB/DIV pushbutton, and the RESOLUTION BANDWIDTH to 1 KHZ. The signal should be on screen.
- (b) Press the <green-SHIFT> SIGNAL TRACK sequence. The TUNE MKR lights and the signal will be moved back to center screen. Signal Track will be indicated in the marker readout of the crt.
- (c) To deactivate the function, press <green-SHIFT> SIGNAL TRACK again.

2. Check Gain Variation Between Resolution Bandwidths

(less than 0.4 dB with respect to the 3 MHz filter and less than 0.8 dB between any two filters)

- a. Calibrate the Center/Marker Frequency and Reference Level as described earlier in this section.
- b. Set the FREQUENCY readout to 100MHZ by pressing <blue-SHIFT> FREQ 1 0 0 MHz with the DATA ENTRY pushbuttons. Set the FREQUENCY SPAN/DIV control to 500 kHz, the RESOLUTION BANDWIDTH to 3 MHz, the REFERENCE LEVEL control to -20 dBm, and TIME/DIV to AUTO.
- d. Adjust the AMPL CAL control for a 100 MHz signal 7 division high.
- e. Activate SAVE A. This is the reference for checking the other filters.
- f. Change the RESOLUTION BANDWIDTH control to 1 MHZ and SPAN/DIV to 200 kHz.
- g. Check the amplitude of the 100 MHz signal, It should be within 0.4 dB of the 3 MHz reference established in part e.
- h. Set the RESOLUTION BANDWIDTH control to each of the remaining positions and the FREQ SPAN/DIV readout for a readable display. The amplitude accuracy and frequency can now be checked with respect to the 3 MHz reference and between any two filters. Reference level error should not exceed 0.4 dB from the reference and 0.8 dB between any filter.
- i. Turn SAVE A off.
- j. Perform the front-panel calibration procedure by pressing <blue-SHIFT> CAL.

3. Check Span Accuracy and Linearity

Span accuracy is the displacement error of calibrator markers from the center reference over ±4 major divisions of span. Linearity accuracy is determined by the displacement of calibrator frequency markers from their specified position over the center eight divisions of the display area, using the 1st graticule line as the reference.

- a. Set the FREQUENCY readout to 500 MHZ, the FREQUENCY SPAN/DIV control to 100 MHZ, the REF LEVEL readout to -20 DBM, activate AUTO RESOLutioN and

 SHIFT> TUNE CF/MKR. Change the VERTICAL DISPLAY to 10 DB/DIV.
- b. Span is accurate when the 100 MHz markers are within 5% of their reference graticule line over the center eight divisions. (It may be easier to observe the markers with DIGITAL STORAGE off.)
- c. Tune CENTER/MARKER FREQUENCY to align one of the markers at the 1st graticule line from the left edge.
- d. Linearity is accurate when the displacement of successive markers, over the center eight divisions, does not exceed 5% of 100 MHz (the FREQ SPAN/DIV SETTING) or 0.4 division over the 8 division display or 0.05 division over 1 division.

4. Check Resolution Bandwidth and Shape Factor

(bandwidth is within 20% of the selected 3 MHz to 1kHz range, in decade steps; shape factor is 7.5:1 or less)

- a. With the Calibrator output applied to the RF INPUT and the FREQUENCY readout at 100 MHZ, set the REFERENCE LEVEL control to -20 DBM, the FREQ SPAN/DIV control to 1 MHZ, RESOLUTION BANDWIDTH to 3 MHZ, TIME DIV to AUTO, VERTICAL DISPLAY to 2 DB/DIV, and activate MIN NOISE.
- b. Measure the 6 dB down bandwidth (see Figure 5-5A). Bandwidth should equal 3 MHz, ±600 kHz.
- c. Change VERTICAL DISPLAY to 10 dB/DIV and measure the 60 dB down bandwidth (see Figure 5-5B).
- d. Calculate the shape factor as the ratio of -60 dB/-6 dB bandwidths (see Figure 5-5). Shape factor should equal 7.5:1 or less.
- e. Change the RESOLUTION BANDWIDTH setting to 1MHz and the FREQ SPAN/DIV to 500 KHZ.
- f. Check the resolution bandwidth and shape factor of the 1 MHz filter by repeating the above process.
- g. Repeat the process to check the resolution bandwidth and shape factor for the 100 kHz, 10 kHz, and 1 kHz filters. Shape factor should equal 7.5:1 for all.

5. Check Reference Level Gain and RF Attenuator Steps

- a. With the Calibrator signal applied to the RF INPUT and the FREQUENCY readout set to 100MHZ, set the FREQ SPAN/DIV and RESOLUTION BANDWIDTH control to 100KHZ. Set VERTICAL DISPLAY to 10DB/DIV, REF LEVEL readout to -20 dBm, and activate MIN NOISE and NARROW VIDEO FILTER.
- b. To check the attenuator, increase REF LEVEL readout to +30 dBm; the signal peak will decrease 1 major division per 10 dB step of the RF ATTENUATION.

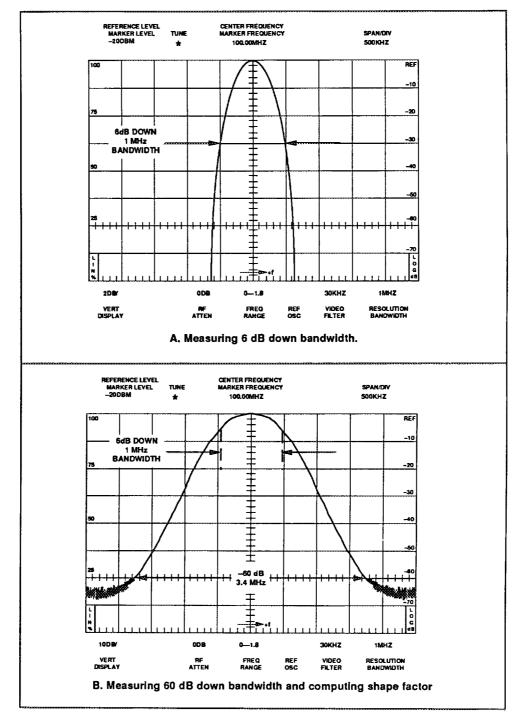


Figure 5-5. Displays that illustrate how bandwidth and shape factors are determined.

- c. Set FREQUENCY readout to 200MHZ and the REFERENCE LEVEL control to $-20\,$ DBM.
- d. Increase the MIN RF ATTEN dB to 60 dB; the noise level will increase 1 division for each 10 dB step.
- e. To check IF gain steps, switch REFERENCE LEVEL control between -20 dBm and +40 dBm. The noise level will decrease 1 division per step.

- f. Activate FINE; then, check that the trace rises 1 dB/step of the reference level as it is changed to +30 dBm.
- g. Switch FINE off, and reduce MIN RF ATTEN setting to 0.
- h. Switch MIN NOISE off; the noise floor will rise about 1 division as the RF ATTENU-ATION increases 10 dB. REF LEVEL readout should not change.
- i. Change REF LEVEL to -60DBM and switch VERTICAL DISPLAY to 2 dB/DIV. Adjust REF LEVEL so the signal level is near the top graticule line.
- j. Change the REF LEVEL control; the signal amplitude will change in 1 dB increments (0.5 div).
- k. Set VERTICAL DISPLAY readout to 1 dB/DIV with the <blue-SHIFT> dB/DIV 1 dB with the DATA ENTRY pushbuttons.
- I. Change the REFERENCE LEVEL control positions: the REF LEVEL readout will change in 1 dB steps, and display in 1 division steps.
- m. Activate FINE (Delta A mode). The REF LEVEL now reads 0.00DB, which denotes the Delta A mode.
- n. Change the REFERENCE LEVEL control positions; the REF LEVEL readout will change in + or 0.25 dB increments.
- Deactivate FINE. Change the VERTICAL DISPLAY to 10 dB/DIV and the REF LEVEL readout to –20DBM.

6. Check Sensitivity

(refer to Table 5-1)

NOTE

Sensitivity is specified according to the input mixer average noise level. The calibrator signal is the reference used to calibrate the display.

- a. Remove the calibrator signal from the RF INPUT. Set VERTICAL DISPLAY to 2 dB/DIV, REF LEVEL readout to -75DBM, FREQ SPAN/DIV readout to MAX, the RESOLUTION BANDWIDTH control to 3MHZ, the TIME/DIV control to 1 second. Adjust the PEAK/ AVERAGE cursor so it is off the top of the screen, and activate the NARROW VIDEO FILTER.
- b. Activate TUNE MKR and adjust the CENTER/MARKER FREQUENCY control to tune the marker to the highest point on the noise floor. Activate ZERO SPAN and check that the average noise is less than full screen.
- c. Change the REFERENCE LEVEL control to $-80~\mathrm{dBm}$ and the RESOLUTION BANDWIDTH control to 1MHz.
- d. Check that the average of the noise floor is less than full screen.
- e. Change the REFERENCE LEVEL control to -90 dBm and the RESOLUTION BAND-WIDTH control to 100 kHz.
- f. Check that the average noise level for the 100 kHz resolution bandwidth is less than full screen.
- g. Continue checking the sensitivity for each RESOLUTION BANDWIDTH as listed in Table 5-1.

NOTE

Table 5-1 shows the equivalent maximum input noise (average noise) for each resolution bandwidth.

Table 5-1 SENSITIVITY

Equivalent Input Noise (dBm) versus Resolution Bandwidth						
Band	Frequency	3 MHz	1 MHz	100 kHz	10 kHz	1 kHz
Bands 1	10 kHz-1.8 GHz	-75	-80	-90	-100	-110
Band 2	1.7-7.1 GHz	-73	-78	-88	-98	-108
Band 3	5.4-12.0 GHz	-59	-64	-74	-84	-94
Band 4	12-18 GHz	-54	-59	-69	-79	-89
Band 5	15.0-21 GHz	– 53	-58	-68	-78	-88

7. Check Residual FM

(within 7 kHz over 20 ms, with FREQ SPAN/DIV readout greater than 200 kHz, and within 12 Hz, over 20 ms with FREQ SPAN/DIV readout at 200 kHz or less)

- a. With the calibrator signal applied to the RF INPUT, set the FREQUENCY readout to 100MHZ, the FREQ SPAN/DIV readout to 1MHZ, the RESOLUTION BANDWIDTH control to 100 kHz, VERTICAL DISPLAY to 2 dB/DIV, the REFERENCE LEVEL readout to -23DBM, TIME/DIV to AUTO, NARROW VIDEO FILTER off, and

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- b. Press <blue-SHIFT> 10 dB/DIV. A message will appear on the screen to indicate that the 1st LO synthesis and phase lock are disabled. This is normal. It is now possible to switch the FREQUENCY SPAN/DIV control to narrower spans with the 1st LO phase lock disabled.
- c. Decrease the FREQUENCY SPAN/DIV to 50 KHZ/ and RESOLUTION BANDWIDTH setting to 100 kHz. Keep the 100 MHz calibrator signal centered on the screen with the CENTER/MARKER FREQUENCY control.
- d. Switch the VERTICAL DISPLAY to LIN. Position the signal so the slope (horizontal versus vertical excursion) of the response can be determined (see Figure 5-6A). It may help to determine slope by using SINGLE SWEEP and SAVE A to freeze the display at a convenient point on the graticule for measurement.
- e. If SINGLE SWEEP and SAVE A were used in part d, deactivate SAVE A and SINGLE SWEEP. Push ZERO SPAN, set the TIME/DIV setting to 20 ms and adjust CENTER/MARKER FREQUENCY control to position the display near center screen as shown in Figure 5-6B. Use SINGLE SWEEP and SAVE A to freeze the display for ease in measuring the FM (frequency modulation). The peak-to-peak amplitude of the display per any horizontal division, scaled to the vertical deflections according to the slope estimated in pard d. is the residual FM. Residual FM must not exceed 7 kHz for 20 ms (1 division).
- f. Press <blue-SHIFT> 10 dB/DIV to re-enable the phase lock, set the FREQUENCY readout to 100 MHz. Switch the TIME/DIV setting to AUTO, and the FREQUENCY SPAN/DIV to 200 Hz and RESOLUTION BANDWIDTH settings to 1 kHz.
- g. Adjust the CENTER/MARKER FREQUENCY control position the signal so its slope can be determined. It will be easier if you use SINGLE SWEEP and SAVE A to freeze the display at a convenient position on the graticule.

NOTE

Be sure the RESOLUTION BANDWIDTH filter readout used to check FM is the same as was used to calculate deviation/division (Fig. 5-6)

h. Deactivate SAVE A and SINGLE SWEEP, and switch the TIME/DIV control to 20 ms. Activate ZERO SPAN, and position the display near center screen so the vertical excursion per horizontal division (20 ms) can be measured. Residual FM must not exceed 12 Hz.

8. Check Frequency Drift or Stability

(50 Hz or less per minute of sweep time, when the FREQ SPAN/DIV is 200 kHz or less, after 1 hour of warm-up, and within a stable ambient temperature)

- a. With the calibrator signal applied to the RF INPUT, set the FREQUENCY readout to 100 MHz, the TIME/DIV control to AUTO, the FREQUENCY SPAN/DIV control to 200 Hz, the RESOLUTION BANDWIDTH control to 1 kHZ, VERTICAL DISPLAY to 2 dB/DIV, and the REFERENCE LEVEL control to -23 dBm. Switch VIEW A and VIEW B on.
- b. Adjust the CENTER/MARKER FREQUENCY control so one side of the signal intersects the sixth division graticule line from the left edge. Press SINGLE SWEEP, and activate SAVE A to save the display.
- c. Select the NARROW VIDEO FILTER, and press SINGLE SWEEP again to start the sweep. The sweep will now run at a 10 s/div rate.
- d. Note the frequency difference between the two displays at the sixth graticule line. Label this difference delta f.
- e. Check that the frequency drift rate in Hz/minute = 300 x $\Delta f/(250 + \Delta f)$. Drift rate must not exceed 50 Hz/minute.

9. GPIB Verification Program

The Service Manual, Volume 1 contains a GPIB verification program. If you wish to check the operation of the GPIB interface, request the program from service personnel.

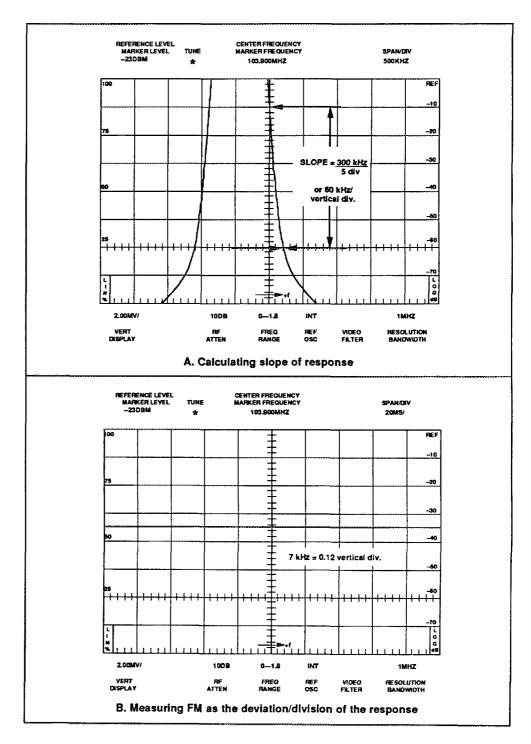


Figure 5-6. Typical display showing how to determine residual FM.

Operation

This section describes the normal operating features of the spectrum analyzer. Many instrument features and operating modes are described, and examples are included to show some typical applications.

Instrument Operating Features

Firmware Version and Error Message Readout

Refer to section 5 for information

Crt Light Filters

Two light filters, amber and grey, are supplied as standard accessories to the spectrum analyzer. Select the filter that best suits the surrounding light conditions light reflections, and your viewing needs. To install the filter, pull the top of the plastic mask out and place the filter behind it. Remove the light filter when taking display photographs.

Intensity Level and Beam Alignment

Operate the instrument with the intensity level no higher than required to clearly see the display. Trace alignment and beam focus are internal adjustments that must be performed by qualified service personnel.

The required intensity level for some displays may be high enough to produce a bright and flared baseline. This bright baseline can be eliminated (clipped) with the <blue-SHIFT> BASELINE CLIP pushbutton sequence. <Blue-SHIFT>BASELINE CLIP is useful when photographing displays. When the markers are turned on, set the intensity below the level where dot "blooming" or defocusing occurs.

Signal Application

Signal frequencies to 21 GHz can be applied through a short, high-quality, 50Ω coaxial cable to the RF INPUT connector. These signals pass through an internal RF attenuator to the 1st mixer. The instrument automatically selects either a low-pass filter or tuned preselector (depending on frequency range) between the RF attenuator and the 1st mixer.

RF INPUT Connector

The normal input impedance of the coaxial RF INPUT is 50 Ω and 75 Ω on the optional 75 Ω INPUT (Option 07). Because cable losses can be significant at microwave frequencies, it is important to keep the cables as short as possible. Impedance mismatch between the signal source and the RF INPUT will produce reflections that degrade flatness, frequency response, and sensitivity and may increase spurious responses. Impedance mismatch can be caused by poor connectors, incorrect signal source impedance and long or low quality coaxial cables, when optimum flatness or frequency response is desired and signal strength is adequate, set the MIN RF ATTEN dB control to 10 dB or more. The addition of the attenuator helps minimize reflections to improve the input characteristics.

CAUTION

The front end of the spectrum analyzer is specified at +30 dBm maximum. It is possible to set the reference level to +40 dBm with MIN NOISE activated. If the signal level is increased for a full-screen display, the input level will exceed the power rating of the attenuator. Do not apply any dc potential to the RF INPUT. Use a dc block if a signal is riding on any dc potential. For dc block ordering information, see the Optional Accessories in the Service Manual, Volume 2 or contact your local Tektronix Field Office or representative.

Spurious responses can be minimized if the signal amplitude is kept within the graticule window.

High-level signal can cause compression; if excessive (above +30 dBm), the 1st mixer will be destroyed. Signals above +30 dBm must be reduced by external attenuators. Ensure that the frequency range of any external attenuator is adequate for the input signal.

Line impedance stabilizing networks, used for conducting EMI/RF measurements, will often have several volts of 60 Hz signal at the output. To protect the input mixer, use a dc block (refer to the Service Manual, Volume 2 or your local Tektronix Field Office or representative for ordering information). It is important to be sure that all equipment being tested has power applied through the line stabilizing networks before any RF signal is connected to the spectrum analyzer input.

Connecting to a 75 Ω Source — Signals from a 75 Ω source, at the lower frequencies (1 MHz to 1 GHz), can be applied directly to the 75 Ω INPUT if Option 07 is installed or to the RF INPUT by using a 75 Ω -to-50 Ω minimum loss attenuator (refer to the Tektronix catalog or your local field office or representative for ordering information).

Sensitivity and power levels are often rated in dBm (dB with reference to 1 mW regardless of impedance). Sensitivity and power levels for 75Ω system are usually rated in dBmV (dB with reference to 1 mV across $75~\Omega$). A circuit diagram of a suitable matching pad for this purpose is shown in Figure 6-1. Figure 6-2 shows the relationship between $50~\Omega$ and $75~\Omega$ units with matching attenuators included. The conversion to alternate reference level units is listed below for $75~\Omega$ and is shown in Table 6-1 for $50~\Omega$.

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1. dBmV (75 \Omega) = dBm (50 \Omega) +54.47 dB:
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e.g.
$$-60 \text{ dBm} (50 \Omega) +54.47 \text{ dB} = -5.5 \text{ dBmV} (75 \Omega)$$

2. dBm (75 Ω) = dBm (50 Ω) + 5,62 dB:

e.g.
$$-60 \text{ dBm } (50 \Omega) + 5{,}72 \text{ dB} = -54.3 \text{ dBm } (75 \Omega)$$

Table 6-1 50 Ω SYSTEM REFERENCE LEVEL CONVERSION

To/From	dBm	dBmV	dΒμV	
dBm	0	+47	+107	
dBmV	-47	0	– 60	
dBμV	– 107	+60	0	

Amplitude Conversion — A conversion chart, as shown in Figure 6-3, can be used to convert input signal levels to voltage or power to dBm, dBV, dBmV and dB.

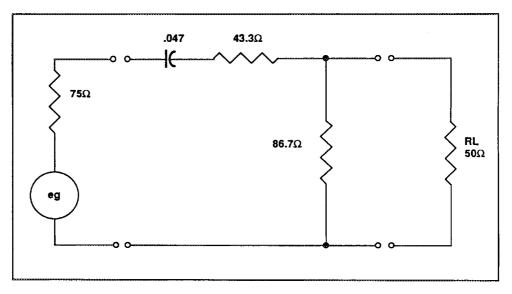


Figure 6-1. Circuit of 75 to 50 Ω matching pad (ac coupled).

Resolution Bandwidth, Frequency Span, and Sweep Time

Resolution is the ability of the spectrum analyzer to display discrete frequency components within a frequency span. This ability is a function of the instrument bandwidth, sweep time, frequency span, and incidental FM. Frequency span and sweep time are normally selected so the resolution bandwidth for a particular continuous wave (cw) signal is minimum. Bandwidth also has an effect on the noise level. As the bandwidth decreases, the signal-to-noise ratio, or sensitivity, increases so maximum sensitivity is attained with the narrow resolution bandwidths.

As the spectrum analyzer sweep rate is increased, a critical rate is reached where both sensitivity and resolution are degraded. Therefore, sweep time for a calibrated display is dependent on the resolution bandwidth and frequency span.

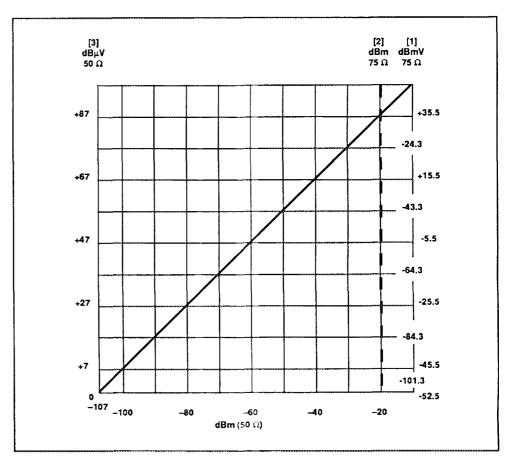


Figure 6-2. Graph illustrating the relation ship between dBm, dBmV, and dB μ V (matching attenuator included where necessary).

In MAX SPAN, the display represents the full frequency range of the selected band. The frequency readout on the crt is indicated on the display by a frequency dot if markers are off or by the primary marker if markers are turned on. This frequency point will shift to center screen when the FREQ SPAN/DIV is reduced to some setting other than MAX. The frequency span/division setting depends on the particular frequency measurement application. Wide spans are usually used to monitor a frequency spectrum for spurious signals, or check harmonic content. When wide spans are used for non-digital store displays, the sweep rate is usually set for minimum flicker, which requires wider resolution bandwidths to maintain a calibrated display. Narrow spans are used to analyzer the characteristics about or near a particular signal, such as modulation sidebands bandwidth, or power line related distortion. Slow sweep rates are required when using narrow spans and high resolution to observe signal phenomena.

The spectrum analyzer will select the sweep rate and resolution bandwidth so the display remains calibrated for the selected frequency span/division, if TIME/DIV is in the AUTO position and AUTO RESOLN is on, AUTO RESOLN optimizes bandwidth for the selected FREQ SPAN/DIV and TIME/DIV settings unless either is outside the range of calibration. When this occurs, UNCAL lights and a > symbol prefixes the REF LEVEL readout on the crt display.

To analyze pulsed signals, a wider bandwidth than that provided by the automatic feature is usually required. Set RESOLUTION BANDWIDTH to approximately 1/10 the side lobe frequency bandwidth or the reciprocal of the pulse width, if known, in order to ensure adequate bandwidth. The resolution bandwidth is usually set for optimum main lobe detailed after the sweep rate has been selected.

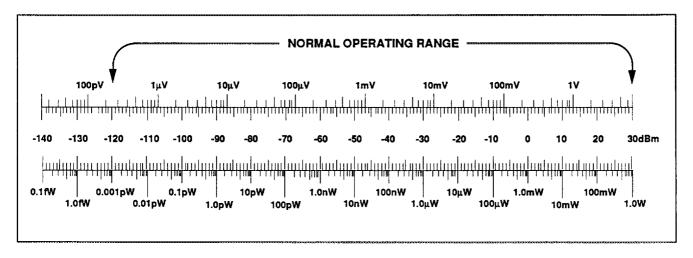


Figure 6-3. Volts-dBm-Watts conversion chart for 50 Ω impedance.

Using the HELP Feature

When there is a question about the function of any front-panel pushbutton or control, press HELP then press the pushbutton or turn the control in question. A message displayed on the crt describes the function. The functions of all of the blue-labeled and green-labeled pushbuttons can be called up without pushing the entire pushbutton-sequence each time; just push the appropriate SHIFT pushbutton, push help, then push all of the pushbuttons desired. An example of this is

blue-SHIFT> HELP PLOT then REF LEVEL the READOUT and so on.

HELP will also provide explanations for the functions available from the marker menu. For detailed instructions, see Marker Menu and Assign Menu under Using the Markers Function later in this section.

HELP is also useful in error detection (see Error Detection later in this section).

Using the MANUAL PEAK Control or Automatic Peaking

The MANUAL PEAK control sets the bias voltage of the internal preselector tracking for the 1.7 to 21 GHz bands. It is adjusted for maximum signal amplitude or optimum conversion.

If REPEAK is activated from <blue-SHIFT> PEAK MENU any signal within one division of either side of the marker is peaked (if the marker system is off, this will be one division on either side of the center). The peak code consists of numbers about the signal at 500 MHz intervals when using the preselector. The resulting peaking code is stored in memory and peaking switched to the Stored Value mode. If there is no signal to be peaked, the previous value is used.

If INPUT is chosen from
 shlue-SHIFT> PEAK MENU, a menu allows input of a peaking code of the primary marker frequency, or the center frequency if the marker system is off. After the value is input, the instrument switches to the Stored Value mode.

In the Stored Value mode, the instrument uses values from the automatic peaking routine or from user input to maintain peaking as the center frequency and frequency range are changed. In the 1.7—21 GHz bands, a peaking value is stored every 500 MHz. If no value was stored (either by REPEAK or INPUT), a mid-range value is used.

It is always good practice to re-adjust peaking before making amplitude or power measurements, especially if the measurement is to be made after a significant change in center frequency.

Using the Signal Identifier

The spectrum analyzer features a Signal Identify mode to help identify true signals from false signals. When in this mode, the frequency of the local oscillators are shifted on alternate sweeps. At the same time, the sweeps are vertically displaced about two divisions. True signals shift only a small amount on alternate sweeps, while false signals or spurious responses will shift at least 1 division.

This mode can only be activated when the FREQ SPAN/DIV is 50 kHz or less.

Using the Video Filters

The video filters restrict the video bandwidth so noise is reduced (see Figure 6-6). When signals are closely spaced, the filter can reduce the modulation between two signal to make it easier to analyze the display. The filter can also be used to average the envelope of Pulsed RF spectra that has a relatively high pulse repetition rage (prf); however, because the filter is basically an integrating circuit, the video filter will not be vary effective when measuring low prf spectra.

The WIDE filter reduces the bandwidth to approximately 1/30th the selected resolution bandwidth; the NARROW filter is approximately 1/300th. Using the filter may require a reduction in the sweep rate to maintain a calibrated display. UNCAL lights if the sweep rate is not compatible with the other parameters to maintain a calibrated display. When either the WIDE or NARROW filter is selected, the filter bandwidth is displayed on the crt lower readout line.

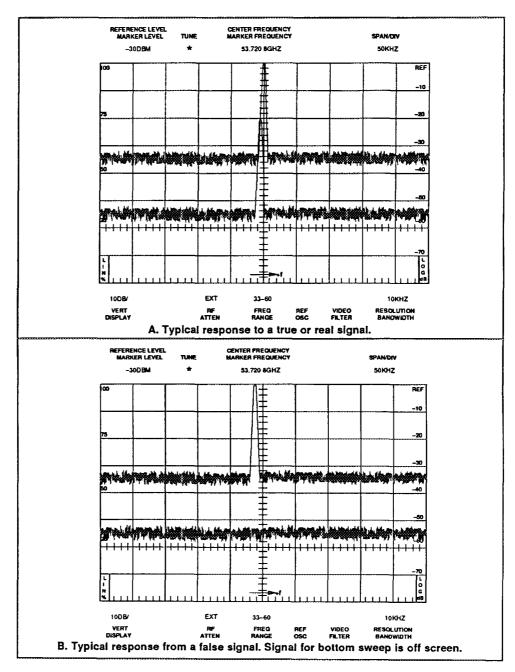


Figure 6-4. Typical examples of identified mode displays.

Using Time Domain Operation

When the FREQ SPAN/DIV is zero, the spectrum analyzer functions as a tunable receiver to display time domain characteristics within the selected resolution bandwidth. Characteristics like modulation pattern and pulse repetition rates can now be analyzed with TIME/DIV selections. Resolution bandwidth is usually maximum (3 MHz) for time domain analysis of the signal.

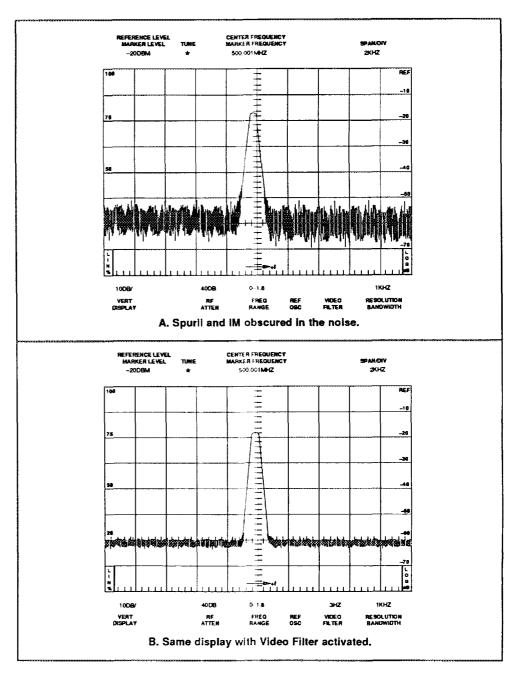


Figure 6-5. Typical display mixed with the VIDEO FILTER

Triggering the Display

The triggering mode is usually FREE RUN for spectrum displays, However, it may be desirable or necessary to trigger the display when the event is time related to some source, or when the frequency span has been reduced to zero for time domain analysis. In FREE RUN, the sweep will not synchronize with any input signal.

In addition to FREE RUN the sweep can be internally triggered (INT) by the video signal, at the line frequency rage of the power supply (LINE), or by an external signal (EXT) applied to the HORIZ|TRIG EXT IN connector on the rear panel. The required amplitude for triggering is 2.0 divisions or more for internal triggering and from 1.0 to 50 V maximum (dc + peak ac) for external triggering.

In addition to the Triggering source selections, SINGLE SWEEP is provided. In SINGLE SWEEP, the sweep will run once after the circuit has been armed and a trigger signal arrives. READY lights when the circuit is armed and waiting to be triggered and remains lit during sweep time. Push SINGLE SWEEP once to activate the Single Sweep mode and cancel the current sweep. Push SINGLE SWEEP again to arm the trigger circuit so it is ready for a trigger signal. This mode is useful for viewing single events.

Sweeping the Display

Horizontal sweep voltage for the display can be internal or from an external source. Sweep rate and source are selected with the TIME/DIV control. When the TIME/DIV control is in the AUTO position, the sweep rate is automatically set to maintain a calibrated display.

When TIME/DIV is in the EXT position, a signal source of 0 to \pm 10 V, applied to the HORIZ|TRIG EXT IN connector will sweep the crt beam across the 10 division span. The input is dc coupled and sensitivity is 1 V/div. External input impedance is approximately 10 k Ω .

The beam can be manually positioned by the MANUAL SCAN control when TIME/DIV is in the MNL position (see Manual Scan of the Spectrum that follows).

Manual Scan of the Spectrum

The MANUAL SCAN control is usually used to examine a particular point or section of a display. One example is looking at one of the null points of a frequency modulation spectrum. Another example is when it takes unnecessarily long to look at a small segment of the full span because of the slow sweep rate. With a wide span/div and/or a narrow resolution bandwidth, it is very possible to manually scan too fast to achieve an accurate display. Best results are obtained without digital storage: digital storage can produce unpredictable results due to the sweep rate, and the digital storage display is only updated when scanning from left to right.

Reference Level, RF Attenuation, and Vertical Display

When change is made to REF LEVEL, the gain distribution is automatically selected (IF gain and input RF attenuation) for the new reference level. The selection is made according to the setting of VERTICAL DISPLAY, FINE, MIN RF ATTEN dB and MIN NOISE/MIN DISTORTION.

The amount of input RF attenuation set is based on the reference level requested and the setting of MIN RF ATTEN dB and MIN NOISE/MIN DISTORTION. The spectrum analyzer assumes the MIN RF ATTEN dB selection is the minimum attenuation required for the expected signal levels. and will not reduce RF attenuation below this value. As MIN RF ATTEN dB is increased, the lowest reference level is raised an equal amount. At 0 dB minimum attenuation, the lowest reference level is –117 dBm; at 10 dB minimum attenuation, the lowest reference level is –107 dBm and so on. The best ratio of RF attenuation IF gain is selected according to the Minimum Noise/Minimum Distortion mode (see the description later in this section).

The REFERENCE LEVEL control steps depend on the VERTICAL DISPLAY and FINE settings. With LOG selected, the REFERENCE LEVEL control steps in 1 dB to 15 dB increments with FINE off. With FINE on, it steps in 1 dB increments for display factors of 5 dB/div or more and 0.25 dB increments apply to the Delta A mode (see the description later in this section). With LIN selected and FINE off, the bottom of the crt graticule is zero volts, and the top of the crt graticule is eight times the vertical display factor. The display factor changes in a 1-2-5 volts/division sequence from 500 mV to 50 nV with FINE off. With FINE on, the reference level changes in 1 dB steps and the scale factor/division is 1/8 the voltage equivalent of the REFERENCE LEVEL.

Alternate Reference Level Units Selection

It is a simple procedure to select an alternate to dBm reference level units. Change the REF LEVEL readout to 0 dBm. Press <blue-SHIFT> REF LEVEL UNITS to get the reference level units menu. To change to dBV, select 1 from the menu, and the REF LEVEL readout changes to -13 dBV. To change to dBmV, select 2 from the menu, and the REF LEVEL readout changes to 47 dBmV. To change to dB, select 3 from the menu, and the REF LEVEL readout changes to 107 dB. To change back to dBm, select 0 from the menu, and the REF LEVEL readout changes to 0 dBm.

Using the Delta A Mode

To select the Delta A mode, push FINE while the vertical display factor is 4 dB/div or less, the REF LEVEL readout goes to 0.00 dB and the REFERENCE LEVEL control steps in 0.25 dB increments from this reference.

The Delta A mode accurately measured signal relative amplitude difference. This is possible because the gain distribution (IF gain and RF attenuation) does not change in the Delta A mode. The REF LEVEL is changed by shifting the log amplifier offset. The total range of the Delta A mode is 58 dB. The measurement range depends on the REF LEVEL that is current at the time the Delta A mode is activated. It is typically at least 0 to 48 dB below the REF LEVEL that was current at the time the Delta A mode was activated. The overall instrument reference level range of -117 dBm to +30 dBm cannot be exceeded.

The Delta A mode is turned off when the vertical display factor is increased above 4 dB/div or when FINE is turned off; by pushing the FINE pushbutton or changing the gain distribution with MIN RF ATTEN dB or MIN NOISE selections.

Signals with large amplitude differences that are within the Delta A range can be compared without the distortion usually introduced when signals are driven off screen. Signals shifted off-screen by changes in the Delta A reference level are not overdriving the input. This is because the attenuator and IF gain do not change: so, the mixers do not see any change in signal levels even though the Delta A reference level changes.

Follow these five steps to measure the amplitude level deferences to two signals.

- 1. Select the Delta A mode by pressing FINE. Select a vertical display of 4 dB/div or less with the dB/DIV DATA ENTRY pushbutton or push the 2 dB/DIV pushbutton.
- 2. Set the peak of the large signal to a graticule line with the REFERENCE LEVEL control.
- 3. Press the FINE pushbutton switch to turn the Delta A mode off an On. The readout will return to 0.00 dB.

- 4. With the REFERENCE LEVEL control, set the peak of the lower amplitude signal to the same graticule line established in step 2.
- 5. The REF LEVEL readout will now indicate the amplitude difference between the two signals in dB.

NOTE

Do not confuse the Delta A mode with the delta marker mode.

Using MIN NOISE or MIN DISTORTION

One of two methods can be selected to control RF attenuator and IF gain settings. MIN NOISE minimizes noise level by decreasing input attenuation and IF gain by 10 dB. MIN DISTORTION minimizes input mixer overload by increasing input attenuation and IF gain 10 dB. MIN NOISE is the default mode of operation.

CAUTION

With MIN NOISE or the MIN RF ATTEN dB set to 60 dB, the REF LEVEL can be set to +40 dBm. The front end of the spectrum analyzer is specified at +30 dBm maximum. Do not increase input signal level to full screen with a REF LEVEL of +40 dBm because this will exceed the attenuator rating.

Using Digital Storage

Digital storage provides a smooth, flicker-free display. Two complete displays can be digitized and stored. In addition the instrument Store Display and Recall functions will store up to nine displays in memory (see Using the Store and Recall Features later in this section). One of the two digitized waveforms can be saved and then compared to later waveforms. The Max Hold feature updates digital storage data only when the input signal amplitude is greater than previous data. This allows monitoring and graphic plotting of display changes (amplitude and frequency) with time.

The display is divided by a horizontal line that is positioned with the PEAK/AVERAGE control. Above the line video information is peak detected; below the line, signal averaging occurs. This feature subdues noise in the portion below the line and allows full peak detection above the line. An intensified spot on the line indicates the horizontal position where memory is being updated. The average (number of samples is a function of the sweep rate; the slower the rate the more samples.

When digital storage is used, an error of 0.5% of full screen must be added to the amplitude performance characteristic (i.e., frequency response, sensitivity).

The digital storage display is divided into an A and B section. Data can be stored in either A or B or in both. There are 500 horizontal locations in the A and 500 horizontal locations in B. When both are displayed, the origin of the B waveform is shifted so the A and B coordinates are interlaced to provide 1000 display increments. Data in memory is continually updated with each sweep so the display is always current.

When SAVE A is turned on, data in the A section is saved only the B section of storage is updated. This takes place whether the A waveform is displayed or not. This mode captures an event or waveform, with its readout for comparison with a subsequent event displayed by the B display. If VIEW B is on, the readout applies to the current B waveform. If SAVE A and VIEW A are on and VIEW B and B-SAVE A are off, the readout applies to the saved A waveform.

When B-SAVE A is turned on, the arithmetic difference between the B waveform and the saved A waveform is displayed (see Figure 6-7). This convenient mode can be used to align filters or other devices. The reference waveform is stored in A and the unknown is displayed by B. If the difference under test is active, the B waveform may be larger than the reference so that the difference is off the screen. The reference level is usually set mid-screen so positive and negative quantities can be observed. The position of the zero reference can be changed by an internal switch. Contact qualified service personnel to have the reference lever repositioned.

MAX HOLD causes the memory to be updated only if the new input is of higher magnitude than the former (B memory only if SAVE A is active). This allows monitoring of signals that may change with time and provides a graphic record of amplitude/frequency excursions.

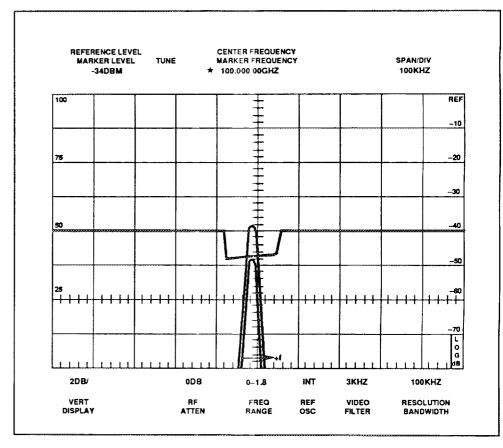


Figure 6-7. Typical display using B-SAVE A to observe the difference between SAVE A and B displays

Signal averaging is useful for suppressing noise. The number of samples averaged per horizontal digitized slot is a function of the spectrum analyzer sweep rate. The slower the sweep speed, the more samples averaged per horizontal slot. Resolution bandwidth affects the amplitude difference between peak detected and average levels of cw signals. When the resolution bandwidth is less than 1/30th the span/division (e.g., 100 kHz or less with 5 MHz span/div) there will be significant error in the average amplitude level of cw signals, especially if only A or B is displayed. The peak value will be the true value. When using narrow resolution bandwidth with wide frequency spans, it is best to run digital storage with both the A and B waveforms interlaced and the cursor (horizontal line) at the bottom of the display.

To measure signal amplitude level, set the cursor to the bottom of the screen. To average noise, set the horizontal line at least one division above the noise level.

Using the Store and Recall Features

The spectrum analyzer features two functions to store up to nine waveforms, with marker(s) and readout, in memory to be recalled later for review or analyses. To save the display currently on the screen, press <blue-STORE> STORE DISPlay, the register number (0-8) where you want to store the display, and if SAVE A is on the identity of the display you want stored (A or B). To later recall this same display, press <blue-SHIFT> RECALL, and the register menu showing the center frequency of each stored display will appear on the crt. Select the correct register number with a DATA ENTRY pushbutton, and then select the part of the digital storage (A or B) where you want to place the recalled display.

SAVE A is automatically activated to prevent an overwrite if location A is selected, VIEW A must be on to see the recalled display and VIEW B must be off to see the readout that applies to the recalled display. If VIEW B and VIEW A are on, both the display reveled in A and the current display in B will be visible on the screen. The readout shown applies to the current B display. Turn VIEW B off to see the readout that applies to the recalled A display.

If location B is selected, the next sweep will overwrite the display unless SINGLE SWEEP was activated before selecting B; a message will appear on the screen as a reminder of this. VIEW B must be on to observe the recalled display. Remember to deactivate SINGLE SWEEP when leaving this recalled mode.

To plot waveforms and readout, see Plotting the Display under PROGRAMMING FEATURES later in this section.

Plotting the Display

Press <blue-SHIFT> PLOT to drive many external plotters such as the

Tektronix 4662 Option 01
Tektronix 4662 Option 31
Tektronix 4663 (emulating the 4662)
Hewlett-Packard HP7470A
Hewlett-Packard HP7475A
Hewlett Packard HP7580B
Hewlett-Packard HP7585B
Hewlett-Packard HP7486B
Gould 6310
Gould 6320

To use the plot feature connect the plotter to the spectrum analyzer with a IEEE STD 488 (GPIB) cable, and complete the following steps.

- 1. Set the corners of the plot for a 3:2 aspect ratio for the Tektronix plotters, or 6:5 for the Hewlett Packard and Gould plotters. The plotter must be in the Listen Only mode. The TALK ONLY switch on the instruments rear-panel GPIB ADDRESS switch must be closed or in the 1 position.
- 2. Set the plotter interface switches as follows:

Tektronix 4662 Option 01 or 4662 Option 31 (rear panel)

A = 0, 1, 8 or 9 B = C or D C = X (don't care)D = X (don't care)

Tektronix 4663

Interface Select = 1 if Option 04 or 2 if Option 01 Internal Command/Response Format = 5 Interface Mode = Listen Only

Hewlett-Packard or Gould Plotters

Address = 31

- 3. Press <blue-SHIFT> SAVE A on the spectrum analyzer, and select the desired plotter type from the menu on the crt. The selection is stored in memory and does not need to be selected again unless the plotter type is changed.
- 4. Select the display and the information that you wish to plot. The Plot feature is similar to using a camera, in that a plot is made of everything that is turned on for the crt display. The information plotted depends on the setting of several front-panel push-buttons and controls. If READOUT is on, the crt readout will be plotted with the display. If GRAT ILLUM is on, the bezel and graticule information will be included with the plot. If VIEW A, VIEW B, or B-SAVE A are on, these waveforms will be part of the plot. By the same token, if any of these functions are off, they will not be plotted.

The zero level for a B-SAVE A waveform is usually the graticule center line. (Switches within the instrument can set the level. Contact your service personnel for this change.) If you desire to shift the zero level for the plotting function only, press <blue-SHIFT B-SAVE A, and enter the desired level in display units (25 is the bottom graticule line, 25 units/div). This zero level is retained in memory. It is not related to the display zero level, since the processor has no way of determining the internally set zero level for the crt display or no way of changing it.

Using the Markers Feature

The marker modes provide direct readout of frequency and amplitude information of any point along any displayed trace. Relative (delta) frequency and amplitude information between any two points along any displayed trace or between traces is available. Two independent marker frequencies and amplitudes cannot be displayed at the same time.

Marker Terms — The following definitions of marker terms are used throughout this section.

- Live trace Any combination of the A trace when SAVE A is off and/or the B trace.
 A trace recalled into B is not an active trace.
- Active Trace A Live Trace or the B-SAVE A trace (a trace recalled into B is not an active trace).
- Inactive Trace A SAVE A trace or a trace recalled into the B display before the sweep is started.
- Primary Marker The marker displayed in the Single Marker mode whose frequency and/or position is changed when tuning with the CENTER/MARKER FREQUENCY control. When two markers are displayed, the brightest marker is the Primary marker.
- Secondary Marker The "second" marker; displayed only in the Delta Marker Mode.

Marker Turn On — The Single Marker mode places one marker (Primary marker) on the spectrum to display marker frequency and amplitude. The Delta Marker mode places two markers (Primary marker and Secondary marker) that display the difference in frequency and amplitude between the two markers. When two markers are displayed, the Primary marker is brighter. The Primary marker position and frequency can be changed with the CENTER/MARKER FREQUENCY control or from the GPIB.

The marker(s) can be turned on by pushing many of the pushbuttons related to marker action.

- TUNE CF/MKR (pushbutton lit) turns on the Primary marker
- <Blue-SHIFT> MKR → CENTER turns on the Primary marker
- Green-SHIFT> PEAK FIND turns on the Primary marker
- Green-SHIFT> SIGNAL TRACK turns on the Primary marker
- Green-SHIFT> MKR → REF LVL turns on the Primary marker
- Green-SHIFT>1←MKR→2 turns on both the Primary and Secondary markers
- \bullet <Green-SHIFT> Δ MKR turns on both the Primary and Secondary markers There are three pushbutton sequences that turn the marker(s) off.
- <Blue-SHIFT> MKR OFF turns off all marker functions
- <Blue-SHIFT> RESET turns off all marker functions (the instrument is returned to the internal turn-on condition)
- \bullet <Green-SHIFT> Δ MKR (when both markers are on) turns off the Secondary marker and returns the instrument to the Single Marker mode

The markers are visible only when DIGITAL STORAGE functions are on; there can be no markers on a real-time trace.

When a trace with a marker or markers is stored, the marker positions and frequencies are also stored. When the trace is recalled and the marker system is on, the marker(s) first appears at the stored location(s). Therefore there is greater accuracy than is normally possible on an inactive trace. The increased accuracy is lost as soon as the marker is tuned.

In either the Single or Delta marker mode, a second line of readout appears on the crt. In the Single Marker mode the marker frequency readout is displayed directly below the center frequency readout, and the marker amplitude is displayed directly below the reference level readout. In the Delta Marker mode, the frequency of the Primary marker with respect to that of the Secondary marker is displayed directly below the frequency readout, and the amplitude of the Primary marker with respect to that of the Secondary marker is displayed directly below the reference level readout. When in the Delta Marker mode, the relative amplitude and frequency readouts are enclosed on the screen in parentheses.

Marker Menu and Assign Menu — Most of the marker functions are available directly from front-panel pushbutton sequences. There are additional marker functions that are available either by direct selection from the Marker Menu, or after they have been assigned from the Assign Menu to either the ASSIGN 1 or ASSIGN 2 PUSHBUTTON. PRESS MARKER MENU to show a list of additional marker functions. These functions are all available simply by selecting them with the correct DATA ENTRY number pushbutton (see MARKER MENU under MARKER FUNCTIONS in Section 4 of this manual for the description of these functions).

Follow these steps to assign a function to the ASSIGN 1 or ASSIGN 2 pushbutton. (Once a function has been assigned, it will remain until the pushbutton is assigned a different function.)

- 1. Select 6=ASSIGN FUNCTION TO KEY. This will bring up the Assign Menu that contains the functions that can be assigned.
- 2. Push the correct DATA ENTRY number pushbutton.
- 3. For functions 0 through 3 or 6
 - a. The two ASSIGN pushbuttons will light.
 - b. A message will appear that asks you which pushbutton you want to use for that function.
 - c. Push the desired pushbutton.
 - d. The assignment has been made.
- 4. For functions 4 or 5
 - a. A message prompts you to enter the amount you want the marker to move.
 - b. Enter the amount and units selection.
 - c. The two ASSIGN pushbuttons will light.
 - d. A message will appear that asks you which pushbutton you want to use for that function.
 - e. Push the desired pushbutton.
 - f. The assignment has been made.

Once a function has been assigned, you can get a description of the function by pressing <green-SHIFT> HELP and the correct ASSIGN pushbutton.

Assigning Markers — When the marker mode is first turned on from the front panel, the trace(s) on which the marker(s) appears is determined by the traces that are currently displayed, as indicated in Table 6-2. When a trace is turned off, any marker(s) on it are relocated. Previous marker locations do not change and the marker always jumps to the active trace in maximum span or when the Signal Track mode is activated.

Tuning Markers — Move the Primary marker with the front-panel CENTER/MARKER FREQUENCY control (when the TUNE CF/MKR pushbutton is lit). To make it possible to change the position of the Secondary marker, you must make the Secondary marker be the Primary marker. Push <green-SHIFT> 1←MKR→2 to swap the Primary and Secondary marker positions. Move the Primary marker (which used to be the Secondary marker), and then push <green-SHIFT> 1←MKR→2 again to swap the Primary marker back to its previous location.

The marker normally moves over the fixed display. Marker tuning (both frequency and position) stops when the screen edge is reached while using the CENTER/MARKER FREQUENCY control. If the marker is on a trace containing a band edge, the marker may be tuned over the in-band position only. This is true for both active and inactive traces. However, if the marker is on the B-SAVE A trace and the A trace contains a band edge but the B trace does not, the tuning is not limited.

The marker tuning rate depends on the speed with which the TUNE CF/MKR control is turned. If the control is turned rapidly, the marker moves 1/10th of a division per increment. If the knob is turned quite slowly, the marker moves 1/100th of a division per increment. At intermediate tuning speeds, the marker moves approximately 1/30th of a division per increment.

When two markers are displayed (delta-marker mode) and the marker frequency, center frequency and span are changed, the Secondary marker remains fixed at its original frequency and is allowed to move off the screen. If the Primary and Secondary markers are swapped (with the <green-SHIFT> 1←MKR→2 pushbutton) while the Secondary marker is off the screen, the display is centered on the frequency of the old Secondary marker (now the new Primary marker). The old Primary marker (now the new Secondary marker) is placed off the screen.

Error Detection

When an internal error is found in the spectrum analyzer, the words ERROR USE HELP will flash one after the other at the right end of the marker readout line (or just a steady ERROR will appear when under remote control). This message appears when the markers are on or the instrument is in MAX. Press HELP to read the definition of the problem and the probable effects of the problem. If the markers are off and the measurement is not in MAX, the error message will be steady and will specify the problem area. Additional information and service instructions are in the diagnostics information in the Maintenance section of the Service Manual, Volume 1. If you cannot solve the problem with the HELP information, report all problems or error information to qualified service personnel.

Using the Automatic Performance Testing Feature

<Blue-SHIFT> CAL activates a routine that tests frequency and relative amplitudes of the IF filters. This routine should be done any time the temperature changes. Settings are held in memory after the test routine has run, refer to Display Parameter Controls in Section 4 for further information.

Table 6-2
MARKER TRACE ORGANIZATION

MARKER TRACE ORGANIZATION					
				PRIMARY	SECONDARY
VIEW A	VIEW B	SAVE A	B-SAVE A	MARKER ON	MARKER ON
Off	Off	Off	Off	FULL ^a	FULL ^a
Off	Off	On	Off	Aª	Aª
Off	Off	On	On	B-SAVE A	B-SAVE A
Off	On	Off	Off	Full	Full
Off	On	On	Off	В	В
Off	On	On	On	В	В
On	Off	Off	Off	Full	Full
On	Off	On	Off	Α	А
On	Off	On	On	B-SAVE A	B-SAVE A
On	On	Off	Off	Full	Full
On	On	On	Off	В	Α
On	On	On	On	В	Α

Programming Features (GPIB Operation)

Setting GPIB Address Switches

The general purpose interface bus (GPIB) ADDRESS switches on the rear panel set the value of the instrument's GPIB addresses. The Programmers manual contains details of how the switches are used in remote control operations.

The switches can be set as desired, except when using Tektronix 4050-Series controllers. They reserve the address 0 for their own use. Selecting a primary address of 31 logically removes the instrument from the bus; it does not respond to any GPIB addresses, but remains both unlistened and untalked. If the switches are changed after power-up the RESET TO LOCAL or

sublue-SHIFT> PLOT pushbutton must be activated so the spectrum analyzer will update the primary address.

TALK ONLY, LISTEN ONLY Switches

The spectrum analyzer switches for talk-only and listen-only operation are part of the GPIB ADDRESS switch bank. Set either or both switches (you can have talk only, listen only, or both talk only and listen only features). If the spectrum analyzer power is on, press RESET TO LOCAL or

TOLOCAL or

Shiper PLOT for a change in these switches to take effect. Both the TALK ONLY and LISTEN ONLY switches must be off (down) when the spectrum analyzer is used with any controller.

Set the LF OR EOI switches to EOI (down) to use with Tektronix equipment. The switches marked 1, 2, 4, 8, and 16 may be set to any combination except all ones (decimal 31), which logically disconnects the spectrum analyzer from the bus or all zeroes when using the instrument with a 4050-Series controller.

Connecting to a System

Connect the programmable spectrum analyzer to a GPIB system through the GPIB cable supplied with the instrument. Connect the Power cable after the power to the spectrum analyzer has been turned on or the controller is turned off to avoid generating interface on the bus.

Operational Considerations and Precautions

Following are some operational precautions to observe and traps that can occur when analyzing displays.

1. RF INPUT Power Limit

CAUTION

DO NOT EXCEED THE RF INPUT POWER LIMIT OF +30 dBm. DO NOT APPLY DC VOLTAGE TO THE RF INPUT.

2. Instrument Warm-up After Storage

After storage below -15° C, allow 15 minutes instrument warm-up time, then turn the power off and back on.

3. Auto Resolution

Use AUTO RESOLN with care when measuring absolute amplitude level. Always use a bandwidth wider than the incidental FM level of the signal source.

4. Measurements Outside Specified Frequency and Tuning Range vs Display Span

Signal level or frequency measurements outside the specified frequency range of the band are not reliable. In wide spans the total span of the display can exceed the frequency range; for example, the display extends below the 1.7 GHz lower limit of Band 2 and below the 15 GHz limit of Band 5 (15 to 21 GHz). The center frequency tuning range corresponds to the specified frequency range of the band. It can be confusing if a displayed signal, outside the frequency range of the band, will not tune to center screen.

5. Level of Pulsed Signals

The spectrum for a pulsed signal is spread out. Consequently, the height of the crt response is less for a pulsed signal than for a cw signal of the same peak amplitude. This loss in display height means, in effect a loss in sensitivity. The amount of loss can be computed from the following formula.

Voltage loss = $(t_0B)(1.5)$ Where t_0 = pulse duty cycle B = resolution bandwidth The power of the self-generated noise increases is proportional to bandwidth. Pulsed RF voltage level is also proportional. Since power is proportional to voltage squared, a wide bandwidth gives better sensitivity and greater dynamic range for pulsed RF inputs.

When in doubt about signal level overdrive problems, reduce the signal level by inserting RF attenuation; then, repeat the measurement. If the two agree, the measurement is correct; if not, the input mixer stage is probably overdriven.

An important consideration for pulsed RF measurements is the peak signal level at the mixer. The signal level is greater by $(t_0B)(1.5)$ than the peak level displayed on the crt. Taking the sensitivity loss into account is the only way of being sure that the mixer peak power input for linear operation is not exceeded.

6. Level of Continuous Wave Signals

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Service Information

Service Manual

The spectrum analyzer Service Manuals are separate publications. The Service Manual, Volume 1, includes circuit descriptions, troubleshooting information, calibration procedures, and maintenance procedures. The Service Manual, Volume 2, includes the electrical and mechanical parts lists, standard and optional accessories, and schematic diagrams. Service Manuals are intended for use by QUALIFIED SERVICE PERSONNEL ONLY. To avoid electrical shock, DO NOT perform any servicing unless qualified to do so. Service personnel should read the Safety information at the beginning of the Service Manuals before performing any servicing.

Product Service

To assure adequate product service and maintenance for our instruments, Tektronix, Inc. has established Field Offices and Service Centers at strategic points throughout the United States and in all other countries where our products are sold. Contact your local Service Center, representative, or sales engineer for details regarding Warranty, Calibration, Emergency Repair, Repair Parts, Scheduled Maintenance, Maintenance Agreements, Pickup and Delivery, On-Site Service for fixed installations, and other services available through these centers.

Emergency Repair

This service provides immediate attention to instrument malfunctions if you are in an emergency situation. Contact any Tektronix Service center for assurance to get you on your way within a minimum of time.

Maintenance Agreements

Several types of maintenance or repair agreements are available. For example; for a fixed fee, a maintenance agreement program provides maintenance and recalibration on a regular basis. Tektronix, Inc. will remind you when a product is due for recalibration and perform the service within a specified time-frame. Refer to Option M1 through M5 in Section 7 for extended service and warranty options available. Any Service Center can furnish complete information on costs and types of maintenance programs.

Options

This section describes the options available for the Tektronix 492PGM spectrum analyzer. Changes in specifications, if any, are described in this section. Contact your local Tektronix Field Office or representative for additional information and ordering instructions (unless otherwise indicated).

Options are usually factory installed; however, field kits are available for some options. Contact your local Tektronix Field Office or representative for information on field kits and their installation.

Options A1, A2, A3, A4, and A5 - Power Cord

There are five international power cord options offered for the spectrum analyzer (see Table 7-1). The physical descriptions of the cord plugs are illustrated in Figure 7-1. For ordering purposes, refer to the Replaceable Mechanical Parts list in the Service Manual, Volume 2, for the Tektronix Part Number.

Table 7-1
POWER CORD OPTIONS

Option	Description
A1	European, 220 V/50 Hz @ 16A
A2	United Kingdom, 240 V/50 Hz @ 13A
A3	Australian, 240 V/50 Hz, @ 10A
A4	North American, 240 V/60 Hz, @ 15A
A5	Swiss, 220 V/50 Hz, @ 10A

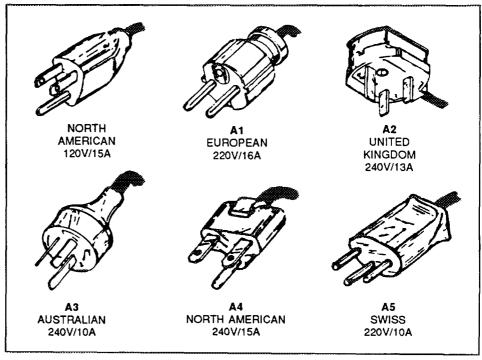


Figure 7-1. International power cord options for the spectrum analyzer.

Option 39

Option 39 provides silver batteries for the instruments battery-powered memory. The battery life at +55°C is 1–2 years and 2–5 years at +25°C. We recommend removing the silver batteries during long-term storage

Option 41

Option 41 provides extra measurement capabilities for Digital Microwave Radio. Table 7-3 lists the changes from the standard instrument.

Table 7-3
OPTION 41 ALTERNATE SPECIFICATIONS

Characteristic	Performance Requirement	Supplemental Information
FREQUENCY Frequency Span/Div Accuracy	5 MHz/div, within ±1%	At center frequency of 6 GHz and 11 GHz. Measured over the center 6 divisions of the display.
Video Filter Narrow		30 Hz (1/3000th) with 100 kHz resolution bandwidth
Preselector Filter Bandwidth		30 MHz minimum from 1.7 GHz to 5 GHz; 35 MHz minimum from 5 GHz to 16 GHz; 45 MHz maximum from 16 GHz to 21 GHz

Option 52

Option 52 provides a North American 220 V configuration with the standard power cord. The fuses are replaced with 2A slow blow.