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Real-Time Signal Analyzer
Specifications and Performance Verification
Technical Reference**



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General safety summary

Review the following safety precautions to avoid injury and prevent damage to this product or any products connected to it.

To avoid potential hazards, use this product only as specified.

Only qualified personnel should perform service procedures.

While using this product, you may need to access other parts of a larger system. Read the safety sections of the other component manuals for warnings and cautions related to operating the system.

To avoid fire or personal injury

Use proper power cord. Use only the power cord specified for this product and certified for the country of use.

Ground the product. This product is grounded through the grounding conductor of the power cord. To avoid electric shock, the grounding conductor must be connected to earth ground. Before making connections to the input or output terminals of the product, ensure that the product is properly grounded.

Observe all terminal ratings. To avoid fire or shock hazard, observe all ratings and markings on the product. Consult the product manual for further ratings information before making connections to the product.

The inputs are not rated for connection to mains or Category II, III, or IV circuits.

Power disconnect. The power cord disconnects the product from the power source. Do not block the power cord; it must remain accessible to the user at all times.

Do not operate without covers. Do not operate this product with covers or panels removed.

Do not operate with suspected failures. If you suspect that there is damage to this product, have it inspected by qualified service personnel.

Avoid exposed circuitry. Do not touch exposed connections and components when power is present.

Replace batteries properly. Replace batteries only with the specified type and rating.

Use proper fuse. Use only the fuse type and rating specified for this product.

Wear eye protection. Wear eye protection if exposure to high-intensity rays or laser radiation exists.

Do not operate in wet/damp conditions.

Do not operate in an explosive atmosphere.

Keep product surfaces clean and dry.

Provide proper ventilation. Refer to the manual's installation instructions for details on installing the product so it has proper ventilation.

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WARNING. *Warning statements identify conditions or practices that could result in injury or loss of life.*



CAUTION. *Caution statements identify conditions or practices that could result in damage to this product or other property.*

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These terms may appear on the product:

- DANGER indicates an injury hazard immediately accessible as you read the marking.
- WARNING indicates an injury hazard not immediately accessible as you read the marking.
- CAUTION indicates a hazard to property including the product.

The following symbol(s) may appear on the product:



CAUTION
Refer to Manual



Protective Ground
(Earth) Terminal



Chassis Ground



Standby

Preface

This document contains the Specifications and the Performance Verification for the RSA5100A Series Real Time Spectrum Analyzers. It contains procedures suitable for determining that the analyzer functions, is adjusted properly, and meets the performance characteristics as warranted.

Related Manuals

The following documents relate to the operation or service of the analyzer:

- The *RSA6100A Series Real-Time Spectrum Analyzers, RSA5100A Series Real-Time Signal Analyzers Quick Start User Manual* describes how to use your analyzer.
- The *RSA6100A Series Real-Time Spectrum Analyzers, RSA5100A Series Real-Time Signal Analyzers Application Examples Manual*, provides tutorial examples of how to take measurements in different application areas.
- The *RSA6100A Series Real-Time Spectrum Analyzers, RSA5100A Series Real-Time Signal Analyzers Programmers Manual* describes how to use a computer to control the analyzer through the GPIB interface.
- The *RSA5100A Series Service Manual* provides information for maintaining and servicing your analyzer to the module level.

Specifications

This section lists the RSA5100A Series Real Time-Signal Analyzer specifications. Items listed in the Performance Requirement column are generally quantitative, and are either tested by the *Performance Verification* procedure or are guaranteed by design. Items listed in the Reference Information column are useful operating parameters that have typical values; information in this column is not guaranteed.

NOTE. *In these tables, characteristics which are warranted are indicated by a ✓ symbol in the Characteristics column.*

Performance Conditions

The performance limits in these specifications are valid with these conditions:

- The signal analyzer must have been calibrated and adjusted at an ambient temperature between +20 °C and +30 °C.
- The signal analyzer must be in an environment with temperature, altitude, humidity, and vibration within the operating limits described in these specifications.
- The signal analyzer must have had a warm-up period of at least 20 minutes after starting the RSA5100A application.

Electrical Specifications

Table 1: Frequency

Characteristic	Description	
Measurement frequency		
Frequency range, nominal	RSA5103A (RF band)	9 kHz to 3 GHz
	RSA5106A (RF band)	9 kHz to 6.2 GHz
	RSA5115A (RF band)	1 MHz to 15 GHz
	RSA5126A (RF band)	1 MHz to 26.5 GHz
	LF band	1 Hz to 32 MHz
Frequency Marker	Readout Accuracy	$\pm(RE \times MF + 0.001 \times \text{Span} + 2)$ Hz RE: Reference Frequency Error MF: Marker Frequency [Hz]
	Readout Resolution	Reference level dependent As small as 0.0001 μ V
Residual FM, typical	<2 Hz _{p-p} in 1 second at 200 MHz CF, 100 Hz span, Freq vs Time mode, Autoscale (95% confidence)	
Span Accuracy	$\pm 0.3\%$ of span (Auto mode)	

Table 1: Frequency (cont.)

Characteristic		Description
Reference Frequency		
Stability, nominal		2×10^{-8}
Adjustment Range		$\pm 5.5 \times 10^{-7}$
✓ Initial Accuracy at Cal		Within 1×10^{-7} (after a 10 min warmup)
Aging	Per day	$\pm 1 \times 10^{-9}$ (after 30 days of operation)
	Long term	$\pm 3 \times 10^{-7}$ (10 years)
	Cumulative Error, typical (Temperature + Aging)	4×10^{-7} (10 years)
Temperature drift		1×10^{-7} (10 °C to 40 °C)
Reference Output Level	✓ Internal or External	>0 dBm
	Internal or External, typical	+4 dBm
External Reference Input, nominal		BNC Connector, 50 Ω
External Reference Input Frequency, nominal		10 MHz ± 30 Hz (3 ppm) Spurious level on input signal must be < -80 dBc within 100 kHz offset to avoid on-screen spurious
External Reference Input Range		$\pm 3 \times 10^{-7}$
✓ External Reference Input Level		-10 dBm to +6 dBm

Table 2: Phase noise

Characteristic	Description	
✓ Specified	Noise sideband	Offset
Frequency = 1000 MHz	-103 dBc/Hz	1 kHz
	-109 dBc/Hz	10 kHz
	-112 dBc/Hz	100 kHz
	-130 dBc/Hz	1 MHz
	-137 dBc/Hz	6 MHz
	-137 dBc/Hz	10 MHz
Typical		
Frequency = 1000 MHz	-107 dBc/Hz	1 kHz
	-113 dBc/Hz	10 kHz
	-116 dBc/Hz	100 kHz
	-139 dBc/Hz	1 MHz
	-144 dBc/Hz	6 MHz
	-144 dBc/Hz	10 MHz

Table 2: Phase noise (cont.)

Characteristic	Description	
Frequency = 2000 MHz	-107 dBc/Hz	1 kHz
	-112 dBc/Hz	10 kHz
	-115 dBc/Hz	100 kHz
	-137 dBc/Hz	1 MHz
	-142 dBc/Hz	6 MHz
	-142 dBc/Hz	10 MHz
Frequency = 6000 MHz	-104 dBc/Hz	1 kHz
	-109 dBc/Hz	10 kHz
	-114 dBc/Hz	100 kHz
	-132 dBc/Hz	1 MHz
	-141 dBc/Hz	6 MHz
	-141 dBc/Hz	10 MHz
Frequency = 10,000 MHz, typical (RSA5115A and RSA5126A)	-99 dBc/Hz	1 kHz
	-108 dBc/Hz	10 kHz
	-108 dBc/Hz	100 kHz
	-132 dBc/Hz	1 MHz
	-145 dBc/Hz	6 MHz
	-146 dBc/Hz	10 MHz
Frequency = 20,000 MHz, typical	-95 dBc/Hz	1 kHz
	-106 dBc/Hz	10 kHz
	-108 dBc/Hz	100 kHz
	-126 dBc/Hz	1 MHz
	-140 dBc/Hz	6 MHz
	-142 dBc/Hz	10 MHz
Frequency = 10 MHz (LF band)	-128 dBc/Hz	1 kHz
	-134 dBc/Hz	10 kHz
	-134 dBc/Hz	100 kHz
	-135 dBc/Hz	1 MHz
	-140 dBc/Hz	6 MHz

Table 3: Integrated jitter

Characteristic	Description
Integrated Phase (100 Hz to 100 MHz), typical	2.51e-3 radians at 100 MHz
	3.14e-3 radians at 1 GHz
	3.77e-3 radians at 2 GHz
	6.28e-3 radians at 5 GHz

Table 4: RF input

Characteristic	Description	
RF Input Connector, nominal	N type (RSA5103A/5106A) Planar Crown (RSA5115A/5126A)	
RF Input Impedance, nominal	50 Ω	
RF VSWR, typical, preamp OFF	<1.6 (10 kHz to 10 MHz, RF ATT = 10 dB, Preamp OFF) Center Frequency set to < 200 MHz at time of test	
Preamp OFF, RF ATT = 10 dB (RSA5115A/5126A)	10 MHz to 3 GHz	<1.3
	>3 GHz to 6.2 GHz	<1.4
	>6.2 GHz to 15 GHz	<1.8
	>15 GHz to 22 GHz	<1.8
	>22 GHz to 26.5 GHz	<2.0
Option 50 Preamp ON, ATT = 10 dB (RSA5115A/5126A)	10 MHz to 6.2 GHz	<1.4 Option 50 Preamp ON, ATT = 10 dB (RSA5115A/5126A)
	>3 GHz to 6.2 GHz	<1.5
	>6.2 GHz to 15 GHz	<1.8
	>15 GHz to 22 GHz	<1.8
	>22 GHz to 26.5 GHz	<2.0
✓ RF VSWR (RSA5103A/5106A)	Center Frequency must be set within 200 MHz of any VSWR test frequency at time of test.	
preamp OFF, RF ATT = 10 dB	10 MHz to 3 GHz	<1.4
	>3 GHz to 6.2 GHz	<1.6
Option 50, Preamp ON	10 MHz to 6.2 GHz	<1.6

Table 5: Maximum input level

Characteristic	Description
Maximum DC voltage	± 5 V (RF Input)
Maximum safe input power	+30 dBm (RF Input, RF ATT \geq 10 dB, Preamp Off) +20 dBm (RF Input, RF ATT \geq 10 dB, Preamp On) +50 Watts peak (RF Input, RF ATT \geq 30 dB (<10 μ s Pulse Width, 1% Duty Cycle repetitive Pulses)
Maximum Measurable input power	+ 30 dBm (RF Input, RF ATT Auto) + 10 Watts peak (RF Input, RF ATT Auto), (<10 μ s Pulse Width, 1% Duty Cycle repetitive pulses)

Table 6: Input attenuator

Characteristic	Description
RF Attenuator (DC to 26.5 GHz)	0 dB to 55 dB (5 dB step), nominal

Table 7: Analog sweep

Characteristic	Description
Sweep Time, typical RSA5103A/5106A	1500 MHz/second tuning rate (standard unit)
	2500 MHz/second tuning rate (Option 40)
	6000 MHz/second tuning rate (Option 85)
	RBW: Auto
Sweep Time, typical RSA5115A/5126A	2000 MHz/sec tuning rate (standard unit)
	4000 MHz/sec tuning rate (Option 40)
	6000 MHz/sec tuning rate (Option 85)
	7400 MHz/sec tuning rate (Option 110)
Sweep Time for RBW=100KHz, typical RSA5115A/5126A	1500 MHz/sec tuning rate (standard unit)
	2500 MHz/sec tuning rate (Option 40)
	4000 MHz/sec tuning rate (Option 85)
	5000 MHz/sec tuning rate (Option 110)
Sweep Time for RBW=10KHz, typical RSA5115A/5126A	300 MHz/sec tuning rate (standard unit)
	500 MHz/sec tuning rate (Option 40)
	800 MHz/sec tuning rate (Option 85)
	1000 MHz/sec tuning rate (Option 110)
Sweep Time for RBW=1KHz, typical RSA5115A/5126A	200 MHz/sec tuning rate (standard unit)
	300 MHz/sec tuning rate (Option 40)
	350 MHz/sec tuning rate (Option 85)
	450 MHz/sec tuning rate (Option 110)

Table 8: Amplitude and RF flatness (excluding mismatch error) ¹

Characteristic	Description	
Reference level setting range, nominal	-170 dBm to +40 dBm, 0.1 dB step, (Standard RF input)	
Frequency response (18 °C to 28 °C)		
✓ At 10 dB RF attenuator setting	10 MHz to 32 MHz, LF Band	±0.2 dB
	10 MHz to 3 GHz	±0.35 dB
	3 GHz to 6.2 GHz (RSA5106A/5115A/5126A)	±0.5 dB
	6.2 GHz to 15 GHz (RSA5115A/5126A)	±1.0 dB
	15 GHz to 26.5 GHz (RSA5126A)	±1.2 dB
✓ At 10 dB RF attenuator setting, With Preamp ON	10 MHz to 32 MHz, LF Band (RSA5103A/5106A)	±0.5 dB
	10 MHz to 3 GHz	±0.5 dB
	3 GHz to 6.2 GHz (RSA5106A/5115A/5126A)	±0.7 dB
	6.2 GHz to 15 GHz (RSA5115A/5126A)	±1.0 dB
	15 GHz to 26.6 GHz (RSA5126A)	±1.2 dB
All RF attenuator settings	1 Hz to 100 Hz, LF Band	±0.7 dB

Table 8: Amplitude and RF flatness (excluding mismatch error) ¹ (cont.)

Characteristic	Description	
Frequency response (5 °C to 40 °C), typical		
All RF attenuator settings, Preamp OFF	100 Hz to 32 MHz (LF Band)	±0.8 dB
	9 kHz to 3 GHz (RSA5103A/5106A)	±0.5 dB
	1 MHz to 3 GHz (RSA5115A/5126A)	±0.5 dB
	3 GHz to 6.2 GHz (RSA5106A/5115A/5126A)	±1.0 dB
	6.2 GHz to 15 GHz (RSA5115A/5126A)	±1.0 dB
	15 GHz to 26.5 GHz (RSA5126A)	±1.5 dB
Attenuator = 10 dB, Preamp ON, typical	1 MHz to 32 MHz, LF Band (RSA5103A/5106A)	±0.8 dB
	1 MHz to 3 GHz	±0.8 dB
	3 GHz to 6.2 GHz (RSA5106A/5115A/5126A)	±1.3 dB
	6.2 GHz to 15 GHz (RSA5115A/5126A)	±1.5 dB
	15 GHz to 26.5 GHz (RSA5126A)	±2.0 dB
Input attenuator switching uncertainty		±0.3 dB (RSA5103A/5106A)
		±0.15 dB (RSA5115A/5126A)
✓ Absolute amplitude accuracy at calibration point (RF)		±0.31 dB
✓ Absolute amplitude accuracy at calibration point, preamp ON		±0.5 dB
✓ Absolute amplitude accuracy at calibration point (LF Band)		±0.31 dB
✓ Absolute amplitude accuracy at calibration point (LF Band) preamp ON (Only for RSA5103A/5106A)		±0.50 dB
Absolute amplitude accuracy at all center frequencies (18 °C to 28 °C) ² , 95% confidence		
	10 MHz to 3 GHz	±0.5 dB
	3 GHz to 6.2 GHz (RSA5106A/5115A/5126A)	±0.8 dB
	6.2 GHz to 15 GHz (RSA5115A/5126A)	±1.5 dB
	15 GHz to 26.5 GHz (RSA5126A)	±1.8 dB
Level Linearity	±0.1 dB (0 dB to -70 dB Below Reference Level)	

¹ All amplitude and frequency response measurements made with Preamp OFF, except where noted, and Flattop window filter used to maximize CW amplitude measurement accuracy.

² Reference Level ≤ -15 dBm, -15 dBm to -50 dBm. 10 Hz ≤ RBW ≤ 1 MHz, after alignment performed.

Table 9: Noise and distortion

Characteristic		Description	
1 dB Compression Input ¹	(RSA5103A/5106A)	2 GHz	+7 dBm
RF Attenuation = 0 dB	(RSA5115A/ 5126A)	2 GHz	+2 dBm
1 dB Compression Input, typical RF Attenuation = 0 dB	(RSA5103A/5106A)	300 MHz to 6.2 GHz	+7 dBm
	(RSA5115A/5126A)	300 MHz to 6.2 GHz	+2 dBm
	(RSA5115A/5126A)	6.2 GHz to 13 GHz	+3 dBm
	(RSA5115A/5126A)	13 GHz to 15 GHz	-4 dBm
	(RSA5126A)	15 GHz to 26.5 GHz	+1 dBm
1 dB Compression Input, Preamp ON, typical RF Attenuation = 0 dB	(RSA5103A/5106A)	300 MHz to 6.2 GHz	-10 dBm
	(RSA5115A/5126A)	300 MHz to 13 GHz	-20 dBm
	(RSA5115A/5126A)	13 GHz to 15 GHz	-23 dBm
	(RSA5126A)	15 GHz to 26.5 GHz	-18 dBm
3rd Order IM Intercept		At 2.130 GHz	+16 dBm
3rd Order IM Intercept (TOI), typical		At 2.130 GHz	+17 dBm
		10 kHz to 32 MHz, LF Band	+12.5 dBm
	(RSA5103A/5106A)	9 kHz to 80 MHz	+11 dBm
	(RSA5115A/5126A)	1 MHz to 80 MHz	+11 dBm
		80 MHz to 300 MHz	+13 dBm
		300 MHz to 3 GHz	+17 dBm
	(RSA5106A/5115A/5126A)	3 GHz to 6.2 GHz	+17 dBm
	(RSA5115A/5126A)	6.2 GHz to 13 GHz	+15 dBm
	(RSA5115A/5126A)	13 GHz to 23 GHz	+11 dBm
	(RSA5126A)	23 GHz to 26.5 GHz	+8 dBm
3rd Order IM Intercept (TOI), preamp ON, typical		At 2.130 GHz	-5 dBm
		10 kHz to 32 MHz, LF Band (RSA5103A/5106A)	-10 dBm
	(RSA5103A/5106A)	9 kHz to 80 MHz	-10 dBm
	(RSA5115A/5126A)	1 MHz to 80 MHz	-10 dBm
		80 MHz to 300 MHz	-10 dBm
		300 MHz to 3 GHz	-5 dBm
	(RSA5106A/5115A/5126A)	3 GHz to 6.2 GHz	-5 dBm
	(RSA5115A/5126A)	6.2 GHz to 15 GHz	-10 dBm
	(RSA5126A)	15 GHz to 26.5 GHz	-15 dBm

Table 9: Noise and distortion (cont.)

Characteristic	Description	
3rd Order Intermodulation Distortion, typical ²	10 kHz to 32 MHz, LF Band	-75 dBc
(RSA5103A/5106A)	9 kHz to 80 MHz	-72 dBc
(RSA5115A/5126A)	1 MHz to 80 MHz	-72 dBc
	80 MHz to 300 MHz	-76 dBc
	300 MHz to 3 GHz	-84 dBc
(RSA5106A/5115A/5126A)	3 GHz to 6.2 GHz	-84 dBc
(RSA5115A/5126A)	6.2 GHz to 13 GHz	-80 dBc
(RSA5115A/5126A)	13 GHz to 23 GHz	-72 dBc
(RSA5126A)	23 GHz to 26.5 GHz	-66 dBc
3rd Order Intermodulation Distortion, preamp On, typical ³	1 MHz to 80 MHz	<-70 dBc
	80 MHz to 300 MHz	<-70 dBc
	300 MHz to 3 GHz	<-80 dBc
(RSA5106A/5115A/5126A)	3 GHz to 6.2 GHz	<-80 dBc
(RSA5115A/5126A)	6.2 GHz to 15 GHz	<-70 dBc
(RSA5126A)	15 GHz to 26.5 GHz	<-60 dBc
2 nd Harmonic Distortion, typical. Preamp OFF	10 MHz to 3.1 GHz (-40 dBm at RF Input, Attenuation = 0), typical (RSA5103A/5106A)	10 MHz to 500 MHz <-80 dBc
		500 MHz to 1 GHz <-80 dBc
		1 GHz to 3.1 GHz <-83 dBc
RSA5115A/5126A	10 MHz to 500 MHz	< -80 dBc
	500 MHz to 1 GHz	< -74 dBc
	1 GHz to 3.1 GHz	< -74 dBc
	3.1 GHz to 7.5 GHz	< -85 dBc
	7.5 GHz to 13.25 GHz	< -85 dBc
2 nd Harmonic Distortion Intercept (SHI), typical	10 MHz to 500 MHz	+45 dBm
	500 MHz to 1 GHz	+34 dBm
	1 GHz to 3.1 GHz	+34 dBm
	3.1 GHz to 7.5 GHz	+45 dBm
	7.5 GHz to 13.25 GHz	+45 dBm

Table 9: Noise and distortion (cont.)

Characteristic	Description		
2 nd Harmonic Distortion Preamp ON, typical	10 MHz to 7.5 GHz	-55 dBc	
	7.5 GHz to 13.25 GHz	-49 dBc	
2 nd Harmonic Distortion Intercept (SHI) Preamp ON, typical	10 MHz to 7.5 GHz	+10 dBm	
	7.5 GHz to 13.225 GHz	+4 dBm	
Displayed Average Noise Level (DANL) Normalized to 1 Hz RBW with log-average detector			
Preamp OFF (Minimum noise mode)	1 GHz to 3.1 GHz	+34 dBm	
	1 Hz to 100 Hz, LF Band	3.1 GHz to 7.5 GHz	+45 dBm
	100 Hz to 2 kHz, LF Band	7.5 GHz to 13.25 GHz	+45 dBm
	2 kHz to 10 kHz, LF Band	-141 dBm/Hz	-152 dBm/Hz
	10 kHz to 32 MHz, LF Band	-150 dBm/Hz	-153 dBm/Hz
	9 kHz to 1 MHz	-108 dBm/Hz (RSA5103A/5106A)	-111 dBm/Hz (RSA5103A/5106A)
	1 MHz to 10 MHz	-136 dBm/Hz	-139 dBm/Hz
	10 MHz to 2 GHz	-154 dBm/Hz (RSA5103A/5106A)	-155 dBm/Hz
	10 MHz to 2 GHz	-152 dBm/Hz (RSA5115A/5126A)	-155 dBm/Hz
	2 GHz to 3 GHz	-152 dBm/Hz	-155 dBm/Hz
	3 GHz to 4 GHz	-152 dBm/Hz (RSA5106A/5115A/5126A)	-155 dBm/Hz (RSA5106A/5115A/5126A)
	4 GHz to 6.2 GHz	-149 dBm/Hz (RSA5106A/5115A/5126A)	-152 dBm/Hz (RSA5106A/5115A/5126A)
	6.2 GHz to 13 GHz	-146 dBm/Hz (RSA5115A/5126A)	-149 dBm/Hz (RSA5115A/5126A)
	13 GHz to 23 GHz	-144 dBm/Hz (RSA5115A/5126A)	-147 dBm/Hz (RSA5115A/5126A)
	23 GHz to 26.5 GHz	-140 dBm/Hz (RSA5126A)	-143 dBm/Hz (RSA5126A)

Table 9: Noise and distortion (cont.)

Characteristic	Description		
	Preamp ON, typical	✓ Specification	Typical
	1 MHz to 32 MHz, LF Band	-158 dBm/Hz (RSA5103A/5106A)	-160 dBm/Hz (RSA5103A/5106A)
	1 MHz to 10 MHz	-158 dBm/Hz	-160 dBm/Hz
	10 MHz to 2 GHz	-164 dBm/Hz	-167 dBm/Hz
	2 GHz to 3 GHz	-163 dBm/Hz	-165 dBm/Hz
	3 GHz to 6.2 GHz	-162 dBm/Hz (RSA5106A)	-164 dBm/Hz (RSA5106A)
	3 GHz to 4 GHz	-160 dBm/Hz	-163 dBm/Hz (RSA5115A/5126A)
	4 GHz to 6.2 GHz	-159 dBm/Hz	-162 dBm/Hz (RSA5115A/5126A)
	6.2 GHz to 13 GHz	-159 dBm/Hz	-162 dBm/Hz (RSA5115A/5126A)
	13 GHz to 23 GHz	-157 dBm/Hz (RSA5115A/5126A)	-160 dBm/Hz (RSA5115A/5126A)
	23 GHz to 26.5 GHz	-153 dBm/Hz (RSA5126A)	-156 dBm/Hz (RSA5126A)

¹ The 1 dB compression point for the RF conversion system cannot be measured from outside the instrument, nor can signals get near it in operation. This is because the A/D converter will clip before the 1 dB compression is reached

² Each signal level -25 dBm at the RF input. 1 MHz tone separation. Attenuator = 0, Ref Level = -20 dBm.

³ Each signal level -45 dBm at the RF input. 1 MHz tone separation. Attenuator = 0, Ref Level = -40 dBm.

Table 10: Channel Response – Amplitude & Phase Flatness (Standard/Option 40)

for RSA5103A/5106A:

Frequency range	Span	Amplitude flatness		Phase flatness
		✓ Specification	Typical, RMS	Typical, RMS
0.01 GHz to 6.2 GHz	≤300 kHz ¹	±0.10 dB	±0.05 dB	±0.1°
0.03 GHz to 6.2 GHz	≤25 MHz	±0.30 dB	±0.20 dB	±0.5°
0.03 GHz to 6.2 GHz	≤40 MHz ²	±0.30 dB	±0.20 dB	±0.5°
0.07 GHz to 3.0 GHz	≤85 MHz ³	±0.50 dB	±0.30 dB	±1.5°
>3.0 GHz to 6.2 GHz	≤85 MHz ³	±0.50 dB	±0.40 dB	±1.5°
0.07 GHz to 6.2 GHz	≤110 MHz ⁴	±0.50 dB	±0.40 dB	±1.5°
0.001 GHz to 0.032 GHz (LF band)	≤20 MHz	±0.40 dB	±0.30 dB	±0.5°

Use Flattop Window for maximum CW amplitude verification accuracy.

for RSA5115A/5126A:

Table 10: Channel Response – Amplitude & Phase Flatness (Standard/Option 40) (cont.)

for RSA5103A/5106A:

Frequency range	Span	Amplitude flatness		Phase flatness
Frequency range	Span	Specification	Typical, RMS	Typical, RMS
>6.2 GHz to 15/26 GHz	≤300 kHz ¹	±0.10 dB	±0.05 dB	±0.2 °
>6.2 GHz to 15/26 GHz	≤25/40 kHz	±0.50 dB	±0.40 dB	±1.0 °
>6.2 GHz to 15/26 GHz	≤80 MHz	±0.75 dB	±0.70 dB	±1.5 °
>6.2 GHz to 15/26 GHz	≤110 MHz ⁴	±1.0 dB	±0.70 dB	±1.5 °

¹ Hi Dyn Range mode.

² Option 40/Option 85/Option 100

³ Option 85 only

⁴ Option 110 only

Table 11: Channel Response – Amplitude & Phase Flatness (Option 85)

Frequency range	Span	Amplitude flatness		Phase flatness
Frequency range	Span	Specification	Typical, RMS	Typical, RMS
0.07 GHz to 3 GHz	≤85 MHz	±0.50 dB	±0.30 dB	±1.5°
3 GHz to 6.2 GHz	≤85 MHz	±0.50 dB	±0.40 dB	±1.5°

Table 12: Channel response ¹

Characteristic	Description	
✓ Amplitude Flatness	BW ≤ 300 kHz ²	±0.1 dB
	300 kHz < BW ≤ 10 MHz ²	±0.2 dB
	10 MHz < BW ≤ 25/40 MHz ²	±0.4 dB
	40 MHz < BW ≤ 85 MHz ²	±0.5 dB
	85 MHz < BW ≤ 110 MHz ²	±0.5 dB
Phase Linearity, typical	BW ≤300 kHz ²	±0.1°
	300 kHz < BW ≤ 10 MHz ²	±0.2°
	10 MHz < BW ≤ 20 MHz ²	±0.75°
	20 MHz < BW ≤ 25/40 MHz ²	±0.75°
	40 MHz < BW ≤ 85 MHz ²	±2.0°

¹ The BW value used in this table is the bandwidth of the channel. RF Attenuator = 10 dB. Use Flattop Window for maximum CW amplitude verification accuracy.

² After calibration and normalization, CF=200 MHz.

Table 13: Channel response (center frequency ≤ 3.0 GHz) ¹

Characteristic	Description	
Amplitude Flatness	Specification	Typical
BW ≤ 300 kHz, CF > 0.01 GHz ²	± 0.10 dB ³	0.05 dB _{RMS} ⁴
BW ≤ 25 MHz, CF > 0.03 GHz	± 0.30 dB ³	0.20 dB _{RMS} ⁴
BW ≤ 40 MHz, CF > 0.03 GHz	± 0.30 dB ³	0.20 dB _{RMS} ⁴
BW ≤ 85 MHz, CF > 0.07 GHz	± 0.50 dB ³	0.30 dB _{RMS} ⁴
Phase Linearity, typical		
BW ≤ 300 kHz, CF > 0.01 GHz ²	0.1 ° _{RMS} ⁴	
BW $\leq 25/40$ MHz, CF > 0.03 GHz	0.5 ° _{RMS} ⁴	
BW ≤ 80 MHz, CF > 0.07 GHz	1.0 ° _{RMS} ⁴	
BW ≤ 85 MHz, CF > 0.07 GHz	1.5 ° _{RMS} ⁴	

¹ The BW value used in this table is the bandwidth of the channel. Atten = 10 dB. Use Flattop Window for maximum CW amplitude verification accuracy.

² High Dynamic Range mode.

³ After calibration and alignment.

⁴ After calibration and alignment.

Table 14: Channel response (3.0 GHz < center frequency ≤ 6.2 GHz) ¹

Characteristic	Description	
Amplitude Flatness	Specification	Typical
BW ≤ 300 kHz ²	± 0.1 dB ³	0.05 dB _{RMS} ⁴
BW $\leq 25/40$ MHz	± 0.3 dB ³	0.20 dB _{RMS} ⁴
BW ≤ 80 MHz	± 0.5 dB ³	0.3 dB _{RMS} ⁴
BW ≤ 85 MHz	± 0.5 dB	0.4 dB _{RMS} ⁴
Phase Linearity, typical		
BW ≤ 300 kHz ²	± 0.1 ° _{RMS} ⁴	
BW $\leq 25/40$ MHz	0.5 ° _{RMS} ⁴	
BW ≤ 80 MHz	1.0 ° _{RMS} ⁴	
BW ≤ 85 MHz	1.0 ° _{RMS} ⁴	

¹ The BW value used in this table is the bandwidth of the channel. Atten = 10 dB. Use Flattop Window for maximum CW amplitude verification accuracy.

² High Dynamic Range mode.

³ After calibration and alignment.

⁴ After calibration and alignment.

Table 15: Channel response (> 6.2 GHz < center frequency $\leq 15/26$ GHz) (RSA5115A/5126A) ¹

Characteristic	Description	
Amplitude Flatness	Specification	Typical
BW ≤ 300 kHz ²	± 0.10 dB ³	0.05 dB _{RMS} ⁴
BW $\leq 25/40$ MHz	± 0.50 dB ³	0.40 dB _{RMS} ⁴
BW ≤ 80 MHz	± 0.75 dB ³	0.70 dB _{RMS} ⁴
BW ≤ 110 MHz	± 1.0 dB	0.70 dB _{RMS} ⁴

Table 15: Channel response (>6.2 GHz < center frequency ≤ 15/26 GHz) (RSA5115A/5126A) ¹ (cont.)

Characteristic	Description
Phase Linearity, typical	
BW ≤ 300 kHz ²	±0.2 ° _{RMS} ⁴
BW ≤ 25/40 MHz	1.0 ° _{RMS} ⁴
BW ≤ 80 MHz	1.5 ° _{RMS} ⁴
BW ≤ 110 MHz	1.5 ° _{RMS} ⁴

¹ The BW value used in this table is the bandwidth of the channel. Atten = 10 dB. Use Flattop Window for maximum CW amplitude verification accuracy.

² High Dynamic Range mode.

³ After calibration and alignment.

⁴ After calibration and alignment.

Table 16: Channel response (LF band, 11 MHz < center frequency ≤ 22 MHz) ¹

Characteristic	Description	
	Specification	Typical
Amplitude Flatness		
BW ≤ 20 MHz	±0.4 dB ³	0.3 dB _{RMS} ⁴
Phase Linearity, typical		
BW ≤ 20 MHz	0.5 ° _{RMS} ⁴	

¹ The BW value used in this table is the bandwidth of the channel. Atten = 10 dB. Use Flattop Window for maximum CW amplitude verification accuracy.

² High Dynamic Range mode.

³ After calibration and alignment.

⁴ After calibration and alignment.

Table 17: Pulse measurements, typical

Characteristic	Description	
	85 and 110 MHz BW	25 and 40 MHz BW
Minimum Pulse Width for detection, typical	50 ns	150 ns
Average ON Power (18 °C to 28 °C), typical	±0.3 dB + absolute Amplitude Accuracy	
	For pulse widths ≥ 100 ns, duty cycles of 0.5 to 0.001, and S/N ratio = 30 dB	For pulse widths ≥ 300 ns, and signal levels > 70 dB below Ref Level
Duty Factor, typical	±3% of reading	
	For pulse widths ≥ 150 ns, duty cycles of 0.5 to 0.001, and S/N ratio ≥ 30 dB	For pulse widths ≥ 450 ns, duty cycles of 0.5 to 0.001, and S/N ratio ≥ 30 dB
Average Transmitted Power, typical	±0.4 dB + absolute Amplitude Accuracy	
	For pulse widths ≥ 100 ns, duty cycles of 0.5 to 0.001, and S/N ratio ≥ 30 dB	For pulse widths ≥ 300 ns, duty cycles of 0.5 to 0.001, and S/N ratio ≥ 30 dB
Peak Pulse Power, typical	±0.4 dB + absolute Amplitude Accuracy	
	For pulse widths ≥ 100 ns, duty cycles of 0.5 to 0.001, and S/N ratio ≥ 30 dB	For pulse widths ≥ 300 ns, duty cycles of 0.5 to 0.001, and S/N ratio ≥ 30 dB

Table 17: Pulse measurements, typical (cont.)

Characteristic	Description	
Pulse Width, typical	$\pm 3\%$ of reading	
	For pulse widths ≥ 150 ns, duty cycles of 0.5 to 0.001, and signal levels > 50 dB below Ref Level	For pulse widths ≥ 450 ns, duty cycles of 0.5 to 0.001, and S/N ratio ≥ 30 dB
System Rise time, typical	< 12 ns (85 MHz BW)	< 40 ns (25 MHz BW)
	< 10 ns (110 MHz BW)	< 25 ns (40 MHz BW)
Pulse-to-Pulse carrier phase, NON-Chirped Pulse, typical	60 MHz BW¹	20 MHz BW²
	2 GHz	$\pm 0.3^\circ$
	10 GHz	$\pm 0.75^\circ$
	20 GHz	$\pm 1.8^\circ$
	85 and 110 MHz BW	25 and 40 MHz BW
	2 GHz	$\pm 0.3^\circ$
	10 GHz	$\pm 0.9^\circ$
	20 GHz	$\pm 2.25^\circ$
Pulse-to-Pulse carrier phase, Linear-Chirped Pulse, typical	60 MHz BW³	20 MHz BW⁴
	2 GHz	$\pm 0.3^\circ$
	10 GHz	$\pm 0.95^\circ$
	20 GHz	$\pm 2.25^\circ$
	85 and 110 MHz BW	25 and 40 MHz BW
	2 GHz	$\pm 0.35^\circ$
	10 GHz	$\pm 1.1^\circ$
	20 GHz	$\pm 3^\circ$
Pulse-to-Pulse carrier Frequency, NON-Chirped Pulse, typical	60 MHz BW⁵	20 MHz BW⁶
	2 GHz	± 12 kHz
	10 GHz	± 40 kHz
	20 GHz	± 110 kHz
	85 and 110 MHz BW	25 and 40 MHz BW
	2 GHz	± 30 kHz
	10 GHz	± 50 kHz
	20 GHz	± 225 kHz
Pulse-to-Pulse carrier Frequency, Linear-Chirped Pulse, typical	60 MHz BW⁷	20 MHz BW⁸

Table 17: Pulse measurements, typical (cont.)

Characteristic	Description	
2 GHz	±130 kHz	±16 kHz
10 GHz	±370 kHz	±40 kHz
20 GHz	±630 kHz	±110 kHz
	85 MHz BW	110 MHz BW
2 GHz	±200 kHz	±200 kHz
10 GHz	±510 kHz	±510 kHz
20 GHz	±1.5 MHz	±1.5 kHz
Pulse Frequency Linearity (Absolute Frequency Error RMS)	60 MHz BW⁹	20 MHz BW¹⁰
2 GHz	±26 kHz	±7 kHz
10 GHz	±55 kHz	±16 kHz
20 GHz	±200 kHz	±40 kHz
	85 and 110 MHz BW	25 and 40 MHz
2 GHz	±65 kHz	±10 kHz
10 GHz	±125 kHz	±30 kHz
20 GHz	±400 kHz	±100 kHz
Chirp Frequency Linearity (Absolute Frequency Error RMS)	60 MHz BW¹¹	20 MHz BW¹²
2 GHz	±30 kHz	±6 kHz
10 GHz	±95 kHz	±20 kHz
20 GHz	±250 kHz	±50 kHz
	85 and 110 MHz BW	25 and 40 MHz BW
2 GHz	±50 kHz	±6 kHz
10 GHz	±145 kHz	±25 kHz
20 GHz	±350 kHz	±70 kHz

¹ For conditions of:

CW (non-chirped) pulses

Frequency Estimation = Manual

Pulse ON power ≥ -20 dBm

Signal peak at Ref Lvl.

Atten = 0 dB

Pulse width ≥ 200 ns.

PRI ≤ 300 us.

Duty cycle ≥ 0.0007

$t_{\text{meas}} - t_{\text{reference}} \leq 10 \text{ ms}$

Measurement time position excludes the beginning and ending of the pulse extending for a time = (10/measurement Bandwidth) as measured from the 50% point of the Tr or Tf.

² For conditions of:

CW (non-chirped) pulses

Frequency Estimation = Manual

Pulse ON power ≥ -20 dBm

Signal peak at Ref Lvl.

Atten = 0 dB

Pulse width \geq 300 ns.

PRI \leq 300 μ s.

Duty cycle \geq 0.001

$t_{\text{meas}} - t_{\text{reference}} \leq 10$ ms

Measurement time position excludes the beginning and ending of the pulse extending for a time = (10/measurement Bandwidth) as measured from the 50% point of the Tr or Tf.

3 For conditions of:

Linear Chirped pulses

For signal type: Linear Chirp, Peak-to-peak Chirp Deviation: \leq 0.8

Measurement BW.

Frequency Estimation = Manual

Pulse ON power \geq -20 dBm

Signal peak at Ref Lvl.

Atten = 0 dB

Pulse width \geq 100 ns.

PRI \leq 300 μ s.

Duty cycle \geq 0.0003

$t_{\text{meas}} - t_{\text{reference}} \leq 10$ ms

Measurement time position excludes the beginning and ending of the pulse extending for a time = (10/measurement Bandwidth) as measured from the 50% point of the Tr or Tf.

4 For conditions of:

Linear Chirped pulses

For signal type: Linear Chirp, Peak-to-peak Chirp Deviation: \leq 0.8

Measurement BW.

Frequency Estimation = Manual

Pulse ON power \geq -20 dBm

Signal peak at Ref Lvl.

Atten = 0 dB

Pulse width \geq 300 ns.

PRI \leq 1000 μ s.

Duty cycle \geq 0.0003

$t_{\text{meas}} - t_{\text{reference}} \leq 10$ ms

Measurement time position excludes the beginning and ending of the pulse extending for a time = (10/measurement Bandwidth) as measured from the 50% point of the Tr or Tf.

5 For conditions of:

CW (non-chirped) pulses

Frequency Estimation = Manual

Pulse ON power \geq -20 dBm

Signal peak at Ref Lvl.

Atten = 0 dB

Pulse width \geq 200 ns.

PRI \leq 300 μ s.

Duty cycle \geq 0.0007

$t_{\text{meas}} - t_{\text{reference}} \leq 10$ ms

Measurement time position excludes the beginning and ending of the pulse extending for a time = (10/measurement Bandwidth) as measured from the 50% point of the Tr or Tf.

6 For conditions of:

CW (non-chirped) pulses

Frequency Estimation = Manual

Pulse ON power \geq -20 dBm

Signal peak at Ref Lvl.

Atten = 0 dB

Pulse width \geq 300 ns.

PRI \leq 300 μ s.

Duty cycle \geq 0.001

$t_{\text{meas}} - t_{\text{reference}} \leq 10$ ms

Measurement time position excludes the beginning and ending of the pulse extending for a time = (10/measurement Bandwidth) as measured from the 50% point of the Tr or Tf.

7 For conditions of:

Linear Chirped pulses

For signal type: Linear Chirp, Peak-to-Peak Chirp Deviation: \leq 0.8 Measurement BW.

Frequency Estimation = Manual

Pulse ON power \geq -20 dBm

Signal peak at Ref Lvl.

Atten = 0 dB

Pulse width \geq 100 ns.

PRI \leq 300 μ s.

Duty cycle \geq 0.0003

$t_{\text{meas}} - t_{\text{reference}} \leq 10$ ms

Measurement time position excludes the beginning and ending of the pulse extending for a time = (10/measurement Bandwidth) as measured from the 50% point of the Tr or Tf.

8 For conditions of:

Linear Chirped pulses

For signal type: Linear Chirp, Peak-to-Peak Chirp Deviation: \leq 0.8 Measurement BW.

Frequency Estimation = Manual

Pulse ON power \geq -20 dBm

Signal peak at Ref Lvl.

Atten = 0 dB

Pulse width \geq 300 ns.

PRI \leq 1000 μ s.

Duty cycle \geq 0.0003

$t_{\text{meas}} - t_{\text{reference}} \leq 10$ ms

Measurement time position excludes the beginning and ending of the pulse extending for a time = (10/measurement Bandwidth) as measured from the 50% point of the Tr or Tf.

9 For conditions of:

CW (non-chirped) pulses

Frequency Estimation = Manual

Pulse ON power \geq -20 dBm

Signal peak at Ref Lvl.

Atten = 0 dB

Pulse width \geq 200 ns.

PRI \leq 300 μ s.

Duty cycle \geq 0.0007

Absolute Frequency Error determined over center 50% of pulse.

10 For conditions of:

CW (non-chirped) pulses

Frequency Estimation = Manual

Pulse ON power \geq -20 dBm

Signal peak at Ref Lvl.

Atten = 0 dB

Pulse width \geq 300 ns.

PRI \leq 300 μ s.

Duty cycle \geq 0.001

Absolute Frequency Error determined over center 50% of pulse.

11 For conditions of:

Linear Chirped pulses

For signal type: Linear Chirp, Peak-to-Peak Chirp Deviation: ≤ 0.8 Measurement BW.

Frequency Estimation = Manual

Pulse ON power ≥ -20 dBm

Signal peak at Ref Lvl.

Atten = 0 dB

Pulse width ≥ 100 ns.

PRI ≤ 300 us.

Duty cycle ≥ 0.0003

$t_{\text{meas}} - t_{\text{reference}} \leq 10$ ms

Absolute Frequency Error determined over center 50% of pulse.

12 For conditions of:

Linear Chirped pulses

For signal type: Linear Chirp, Peak-to-Peak Chirp Deviation: ≤ 0.8 Measurement BW.

Frequency Estimation = Manual

Pulse ON power ≥ -20 dBm

Signal peak at Ref Lvl.

Atten = 0 dB

Pulse width ≥ 300 ns.

PRI ≤ 1000 us.

Duty cycle ≥ 0.0003

$t_{\text{meas}} - t_{\text{reference}} \leq 10$ ms

Absolute Frequency Error determined over center 50% of pulse.

Table 18: Impulse response

Characteristic	Description
Impulse Response Measurement Range (nominal)	15 to 40 dB Across the width of the chirp
Impulse Response Measurement Accuracy (typical)	± 2 dB 1 For a signal 40 dB in amplitude and delayed 1% to 40% of the chirp width
Impulse Response Weighting	Taylor Window

¹ Chirp width 100 MHz, pulse width 10 μ s, minimum signal delay 1% of pulse width or 10/(chirp bandwidth), whichever is greater, and minimum 2000 sample points during pulse on-time.

Table 19: Spurious response

Characteristic	Description	
Residual Response (Atten = 0 dB, Ref = -30 dBm, RBW = 1 kHz)	✓ 200 MHz to 3 GHz	<-95 dBm
	✓ 3 GHz to 6.2 GHz (RSA5106A)	<-95 dBm
	✓ 6.2 GHz to 15 GHz (RSA5115A)	<-95 dBm
	✓ 15 GHz to 26.5 GHz (RSA5126A)	<-95 dBm
	500 kHz to 32 MHz, LF Band	<-100 dBm, typical
	500 kHz to 80 MHz, RF band (RSA5103A/5106A)	-75 dBm, typical
	1 MHz to 80 MHz, RF band (RSA5115A/5126A)	-75 dBm, typical
	80 MHz to 200 MHz, RF band	-95 dBm, typical

Table 19: Spurious response (cont.)

Characteristic	Description	
Residual DC Offset after Normalization (LF Path), typical	<-40 dBm (Ref level \leq 0 dBm) <-40 dBm from Ref level (Ref level > 0 dBm)	
✓ Spurious Response with Signal (Image Suppression)	<-75 dBc (10 kHz to < 30 MHz, Ref= -30 dBm, Atten = 10 dB, RF Input Level = -30 dBm, RBW = 10 Hz) LF path <-75 dBc (30 MHz to < 3 GHz, Ref= -30 dBm, Atten = 10 dB, RF Input Level = -30 dBm, RBW = 10 Hz) <-70 dBc (3 GHz to 6.2 GHz, Ref= -30 dBm, Atten = 10 dB, RF Input Level = -30 dBm, RBW = 10 Hz) (RSA5106A) <-76 dBc (6.2 GHz to 15 GHz, Ref= -30 dBm, Atten = 10 dB, RF Input Level = -30 dBm, RBW = 10 Hz) (RSA5115A) <-72 dBc (15 GHz to 26.5 GHz, Ref= -30 dBm, Atten = 10 dB, RF Input Level = -30 dBm, RBW = 10 Hz) (RSA5126A) Equal or better performance is expected when Preamp is turned on and the power level at the output of RF attenuator is lower or equal than -55 dBm.	
Higher RF Order Spurious Response w/ Signal at other than Center Frequency (6.2 GHz to 26.5 GHz)	Span \leq 25 MHz, swept spans >25 MHz, typical	For Options 40/85/110, 25 MHz < Span \leq 110 MHz, typical
6.2 GHz – 14.5 GHz	-78 dBc	-78 dBc
14.5 GHz – 15 GHz (RSA5115A/ 5126A)	-71 dBc	-71 dBc
15 GHz – 26.5 GHz (RSA5126A)	-71 dBc	-71 dBc
14.8 GHz – 15 GHz ¹	-65 dBc	-65 dBc
23.9 GHz – 24.2 GHz ²	-65 dBc	-65 dBc
26.3 GHz – 26.5 GHz ²	-65 dBc	-65 dBc
Spurious Response with Signal at Center Frequency	✓ CF = 1 MHz to 26.5 GHz, offset \geq 400 kHz ✓ CF = 1 MHz to 2.6.5 GHz, offset \leq 400 kHz	(See Table 20.) (See Table 21.)
Spurious Response with Signal at Frequency other than Center Frequency	300 MHz to 26.5 GHz	(See Table 22.)
✓ Spurious Response with Signal at 3.5125 GHz - Half-IF (RSA5103A)	<-78 dBc (CF 30 MHz to 3 GHz, Ref = -30 dBm, Atten = 10 dB, RBW = 1 kHz) Signal frequency range = 3.5125 GHz, RF input level = -30 dBm This is an input signal at half the IF frequency.	

Table 19: Spurious response (cont.)

Characteristic	Description
✓ Spurious Response with Signal at 3.5125 GHz - Half IF (RSA5106A)	<-78 dBc (CF 30 MHz to 6.2 GHz, Ref = -30 dBm, Atten = 10 dB, RBW = 1 kHz) Signal frequency range = 3.5125 GHz, RF input level = -30 dBm This is an input signal at half the IF frequency.
✓ Spurious Responses with Signal at Half Block Converter Output Frequency (RSA5115A/5126A)	<-80 dBc. (CF 6.2 GHz to 15 GHz (RSA5115A) 26.5 GHz (RSA5126A), Ref=-30 dBm, Atten = 10 dB, RBW=1 kHz) Set the Signal Frequency following the 'Half IF Table', RF input Level = -30 dBm
✓ Spurious Responses with Signal at Block Converter output frequency (RSA5115A/5126A)	<-70 dBc. (CF 6.2 GHz to 26.5 GHz, Ref= -30 dBm, Atten = 10 dB, RBW=1 kHz) Set the Signal Frequency following the 'IF Feed-Through Table', RF input Level = -30 dBm
Local Oscillator Feed-through to Input Connector (Spurious Leakage), typical	<-60 dBm (Attenuator = 10 dB) (RSA5103A/5106A) <-90 dBm (Attenuator = 10 dB) (RSA5115A/5126A)

¹ A spur will be generated at the center frequency (CF) when there is a signal on the input at $(11.84 \text{ GHz} + \text{CF})/2$.

² A spur will be generated at the center frequency (CF) when there is a signal on the input at $(20.8 \text{ GHz} + \text{CF})/2$.

Table 20: Spurious response with signal at center frequency (offset \geq 400 kHz)

Frequency	Span \leq 25 MHz, Swept Spans > 25 MHz		For Option 40/85/110 ¹ 25 MHz < Span \leq 110 MHz	
	Specification	Typical	Specification	Typical
1 MHz to 32 MHz (LF band)	-80 dBc	-85 dBc	--	--
30 MHz to 3 GHz	-73 dBc	-78 dBc	-73 dBc	-75 dBc
3 GHz to 6.2 GHz (RSA5106A)	-73 dBc	-78 dBc	-73 dBc	-75 dBc
6.2 GHz to 15 GHz (RSA5115A)	-70 dBc	-73 dBc	-70 dBc	-73 dBc
15 GHz to 26 GHz (RSA5126A)	-66 dBc	-69 dBc	-66 dBc	-69 dBc

¹ Center frequency \geq 90 MHz for Options 40/85/110.

Table 21: Spurious response with signal at center frequency (10 kHz \leq offset \leq 400 kHz)

Frequency	Span \leq 25 MHz, Swept Spans > 25 MHz		For Option 40/85 ¹ 25 MHz < Span \leq 85 MHz	
	Specification	Typical	Specification	Typical
1 MHz to 32 MHz (LF band)	--	-71 dBc	--	--
30 MHz to 3 GHz	--	-73 dBc	--	-73 dBc
3 GHz to 6.2 GHz (RSA5106A)	--	-73 dBc	--	-73 dBc

Table 21: Spurious response with signal at center frequency ($10 \text{ kHz} \leq \text{offset} \leq 400 \text{ kHz}$) (cont.)

Frequency	Span $\leq 25 \text{ MHz}$, Swept Spans $> 25 \text{ MHz}$		For Option 40/85 ¹ 25 MHz $<$ Span $\leq 85 \text{ MHz}$	
	Specification	Typical	Specification	Typical
6.2 GHz to 15 GHz (RSA5106A)	--	-70 dBc	--	-70 dBc
15 GHz to 26.5 GHz (RSA5106A)	--	-66 dBc	--	-66 dBc

¹ 1 Center frequency $\geq 90 \text{ MHz}$ for Options 40/85.

Table 22: Spurious response with signal at other than CF

Frequency	Span $\leq 25 \text{ MHz}$, Swept Spans $> 25 \text{ MHz}$		For Option 40/85 ¹ 25 MHz $<$ Span $\leq 85 \text{ MHz}$	
	Specification	Typical	Specification	Typical
1 MHz to 32 MHz (LF band)	--	-71 dBc	--	--
30 MHz to 3 GHz	--	-73 dBc	--	-73 dBc
3 GHz to 6.2 GHz (RSA5106A)	--	-73 dBc	--	-73 dBc
6.2 GHz to 15 GHz (RSA5115A)	--	-70 dBc	--	-70 dBc
15 GHz to 23.5 GHz (RSA5126A)	--	-66 dBc	--	-66 dBc

¹ 1 Center frequency $\geq 90 \text{ MHz}$ for Options 40/85/110.

Table 23: Acquisition

Characteristic	Description
Real-time Capture Bandwidth, nominal	25 MHz (RF, Standard Version)
	40 MHz (RF, Option 40 Version)
	85 MHz (RF, Option 85 Version)
	110 MHz (RF, Option 110 Version)
Demodulation Bandwidth	25 MHz (RF, Standard Version)
	40 MHz (RF, Option 40 Version)
	85 MHz (RF, Option 85 Version)
	110 MHz (RF, Option 110 Version)
A/D Converter, nominal	14 bits, 100 Ms/s (Standard Version)
	14 bits, 100 Ms/s & 14 bits, 300 Ms/s (Option 40/85/110)

Table 23: Acquisition (cont.)

Characteristic	Description			
Sampling Rate and Available Memory time in RTSA/Time/Demod Mode, nominal	Acquisition BW			
	Sample Rate (for I and Q)			
	Record Length			
	Record Length (option 53)			
	110 MHz (Option 110)	150 MS/s	1.79 s	7.15 s
	85 MHz (Option 85)	150 MS/s	1.79 s	7.15 s
	60 MHz (Option 85)	75 MS/s	3.58 s	14.31 s
	40 MHz (Option 40/85)	75 MS/s	3.58 s	14.31 s
	30 MHz (Option 40/85)	37.5 MS/s	7.16 s	28.63 s
	25 MHz	50 MS/s	4.77 s	19.08 s
	20 MHz	25 MS/s	9.54 s	38.17 s
	10 MHz	12.5 MS/s	19.08 s	76.35 s
	5 MHz	6.25 MS/s	38.17 s	152.7 s
	2 MHz	3.125 MS/s	42.9 s	171.8 s
	1 MHz	1.56 MS/s	85.8 s	343.5 s
	500 kHz	781 kS/s	171.7 s	687.1 s
	200 kHz	390 kS/s	343.5 s	1374 s
	100 kHz	195 kS/s	687.1 s	2748 s
	50 kHz	97.6 kS/s	1374 s	5497 s
	20 kHz	48.8 kS/s	2748 s	10955 s
	10 kHz	24.4 kS/s	5497 s	21990 s
	5 kHz	12.2 kS/s	10955 s	43980 s
	2 kHz	3.05 kS/s	43980 s	175921 s
1 kHz	1.52 kS/s	87960 s	351843 s	
500 Hz	762 S/s	175921 s	703687 s	
200 Hz	381 S/s	351843 s	1407374 s	
100 Hz	190 S/s	703686 s	2814749 s	
Minimum Acquisition Length in RTSA/Time/Demod Mode, nominal	64 samples			
Maximum Acquisition Length in RTSA/Time/Demod Mode (Acquisition BW Dependent), nominal	256,000,000 samples (Std.) 1,000,000,000 samples (Option 53)			
Acquisition Length Setting resolution in RTSA/Time/Demod Mode, nominal	1 sample			
Fast Frame Acquisition Mode	Up to 65,535 records can be stored in a single acquisition (for Pulse Measurements and Spectrogram Analysis)			

Table 23: Acquisition (cont.)

Characteristic	Description
Acquisition Memory Size	Acq BW > 2.5 MHz (1 GB) (Std) 256 MSamples
	Acq BW ≤ 2.5 MHz (1 GB) (Std) 128 MSamples
	Acq BW > 2.5 MHz (4 Gbyte) (Option 53) 1 GSamples
	Acq BW ≤ 2.5 MHz (4 Gbyte) (Option 53) 512 MSamples

Table 24: Amplitude vs. time

Characteristic	Description
Time Scale (Zero Span), nominal	400 ns min to 2000 s max (Option 85) 1 μs min to 2000 s max (Standard)
Time Accuracy	±0.5% of total time
Time Resolution	0.1% of total time
Time Linearity	±0.5% of total time (measured at 11 equally-spaced points across the display, including the ends)

Table 25: Trigger

Characteristic	Description
Trigger Mode, Type, & Source, nominal	<p>Modes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Free Run (Triggered by the end of the preceding acquisition) Triggered (Triggered by Event) Fast Frame (Triggered by Event, sequential storage of acquisitions) <p>Types:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Single (one acquisition from one trigger) Continuous (repeated acquisitions from repeating triggers) <p>Sources:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> RF Input Trigger 1 (Front) Trigger 2/ Gate (Rear) Gated (Logical AND of the selected edge [rising or falling] of TRIG 1 and the selected level [LOW or HIGH] of TRIG 2) Line
Trigger Event Delay Range, nominal	20 ns to 60 s
Trigger Event Delay Resolution, nominal	20 ns
Trigger Event Delay Uncertainty, nominal	±20 ns
Pre/Post Trigger Setting, nominal	Trigger Position is settable within 1% to 99% of Total Data Length
Power Trigger Level Range, nominal	0 dB to -100 dB from Reference Level

Table 25: Trigger (cont.)

Characteristic	Description
Power Trigger Level Resolution, nominal	0.1 dB
Power Trigger Level Accuracy	±0.5 dB (level ≥ -50 dB from Reference Level) for trigger levels >30 dB above the noise floor ±1.5 dB (from -50 dB to -70 dB from Reference Level) for trigger levels >30 dB above the noise floor This applies when the Trigger Level is between 10% and 90% of the signal amplitude
Power Trigger Position Timing Uncertainty, typical	±12 ns for 25 MHz Acq BW using no trigger RBW ±15 ns for 25 MHz Acq BW using 20 MHz trigger RBW ±4 ns for 85/110 MHz Acq BW using no trigger RBW ±5 ns for 85/110 MHz Acq BW using 60 MHz trigger RBW
Power Trigger Bandwidth setting, nominal	Not an independent setting. This is set by the "Time Domain Bandwidth" control.
Trigger Re-arm Time, Minimum (Fast Frame ON)	≤25 us, 10 MHz Acquisition BW ≤10 us, 40 MHz Acquisition BW (Opt 40) ≤5 us, 85/110 MHz Acquisition BW (Opt 85/110) Specified for AUTO RBW and Acquisition settings.
Frequency Mask Trigger Mask Point Horizontal Resolution (Option 52), nominal	<0.2% of span
Frequency Mask Trigger Level Range (Option 52), nominal	0 to -80 dB from reference level for spans ≤25 MHz (Standard) for spans ≤40 MHz (Option 40), 85 MHz (Option 85), 110 MHz (Option 110)
Frequency Mask Trigger Level Resolution (Option 52), nominal	0.1 dB
Frequency Mask Trigger Level Accuracy (Option 52) (with respect to Reference Level)	±(Channel Response Flatness + 1 dB) (for mask levels ≥ -50 dB) for masks >30 dB above the noise floor ±(Channel Response Flatness + 2.5 dB) (for mask levels of -50 dB to -70 dB) for masks >30 dB above the noise floor
Frequency Mask Trigger Max Real-time Event Detection Bandwidth (Option 52), nominal	25 MHz (1024 point FFT, 50% overlapping, Standard) 40 MHz (1024 point FFT, 50% overlapping, Option 40) 85 MHz (1024 point FFT, 50% overlapping, Option 85) 110 MHz (1024 point FFT, 50% overlapping, Option 110)
Frequency Mask Trigger Real-time Event Minimum Duration for 100% probability of trigger (Option 52), nominal	30.7 μs at 25 MHz span (Standard) 10.3 μs at 85/110 MHz span (Option 85/110) Instrument Center Frequency ≥ 50 MHz
Frequency Mask Trigger Timing Uncertainty	±12.8 μs at 25 MHz span for base unit (Standard) RBW=AUTO ±5.12 μs at 85/110 MHz span (Option 85/110, RBW=AUTO) Instrument Center Frequency ≥ 50 MHz
External Trigger 1 Threshold Voltage, nominal	Variable: -2.5 V to +2.5 V settable

Table 25: Trigger (cont.)

Characteristic	Description
External Trigger 2 Threshold Voltage, nominal	Fixed: TTL
External Trigger 1 Threshold Voltage Setting Resolution, nominal	0.01 V
External Trigger 1 Input Impedance, nominal	Selectable: 50 Ω or 5 k Ω
External Trigger 2 Input Impedance, nominal	Fixed: 5 k Ω
External Trigger 1 Minimum Pulse Width (applies to 50 Ω Impedance only), nominal	> 5 ns
External Trigger 2 to External Trigger 1 Minimum Delay, nominal	> 20 ns This is the time from the rising edge of the external gate signal to the rising edge of the external trigger signal needed to guarantee a trigger will be accepted. This specification also applies from the falling edge of the external trigger signal to the falling edge of the external gate signal.
External Trigger 1 Timing Uncertainty (50 Ω impedance only)	
>85 MHz to 110 MHz acquisition BW	± 10 ns
>75 MHz to 85 MHz acquisition BW	± 12 ns
>25 MHz to 75 MHz acquisition BW	± 15 ns
>20 MHz to 25 MHz acquisition BW	± 20 ns
	Instrument Center Frequency ≥ 50 MHz.
Trigger Output Voltage, nominal (Output Current < 1 mA)	HIGH: > 2.0 V LOW: < 0.4 V
Trigger Output Impedance, nominal	50 Ω
Power Trigger Output Position Timing Uncertainty	± 2 sample points (Decimated clock periods, refer to the following table) This trigger has no specified timing relation to the signal at the RF input. For a given instrument setup, the delay from the RF input to this trigger output will be the same within the uncertainty given in this specification. The time delay can be measured for a specific instrument setup and it will be stable as long as the setup is not changed. If the setup changes, the delay should be measured again.
Trigger Re-arm Time, minimum	10 MHz Acquisition BW: ≤ 25 μ s 40 MHz Acquisition BW (Opt. 40): ≤ 10 μ s 85 MHz Acquisition BW (Opt. 85): ≤ 5 μ s 110 MHz Acquisition BW (Opt. 110): ≤ 4 μ s

Table 26: Trigger (without Option 200)

Characteristic	Description	Reference information
Trigger Event Types	Power Level (IF Span BW after RBW and VBW filters); Frequency Mask (Option 52)	
Frequency Mask Trigger Real-time Event Minimum Duration for 100% probability of trigger (Option 52), nominal	30.7 μ s at 25 MHz span (Standard) 10.3 μ s at 85/110 MHz span (Option 85/110)	
Frequency Mask Trigger Timing Uncertainty	\pm 12.8 μ s at 25 MHz span for base unit, RBW=AUTO (Standard) \pm 5.12 μ s at 85/110 MHz span (Option 85/110, RBW=AUTO)	Measured with mask level set at 6 dB below signal peak, RBW = AUTO

Table 27: Trigger (with Option 200)

Characteristic	Description	Reference information
Trigger Event Types	Power Level (IF Span BW after RBW and VBW filters) Frequency Mask (Option 52) DPX Statistics Trigger Runt Trigger (applies to Power Level Trigger) Time-Qualified Trigger Holdoff Trigger	
Power Trigger Minimum Event Duration, nominal	12 ns (Acq BW = 85/100 MHz, no TDBW, Option 85/110) 25 ns (Acq BW = 40 MHz, no TDBW, Option 40) 40 ns (Acq BW = 25 MHz, no TDBW, Standard)	
Frequency Edge Trigger Range, nominal	\pm (1/2 x (ACQ BW or TDBW if TDBW is active))	
Frequency Edge Trigger Timing Uncertainty, nominal	Same as power trigger position timing uncertainty.	
Frequency Mask Trigger Maximum Real-time Event Detection Bandwidth (Option 52)	25 MHz (1024 point FFT, 50% overlapping, Standard) 85 MHz (1024 point FFT, 50% overlapping, Option 85) 110 MHz (1024 point FFT, 50% overlapping, Option 110)	

Table 27: Trigger (with Option 200) (cont.)

Characteristic	Description
DPX Statistics Trigger Timing Uncertainty, nominal	<p>For a signal events less than 40 ms, where DPX RBW = AUTO and Density = Higher: Uncertainty = -(Signal Event Duration + DPX Minimum Event Duration) to +(DPX Minimum Event Duration)</p> <p>For Span = 85/110 MHz: Uncertainty = -(Signal Event Duration + 10.3 μs) to +10.3 μs</p> <p>For Span = 25 MHz: Uncertainty = -(Signal Event Duration + 23.9 μs) to +23.9 μs</p> <p>For signal events 40 ms or longer, the timing uncertainty is not specified. For Density = Lower, the timing uncertainty is not specified.</p>
Time Qualified Trigger Source	<p>Instrument Center Frequency \geq 50 MHz</p> <p>Power Trigger or Frequency Mask Trigger or DPX Statistics Trigger or Runt Trigger or External Trigger or Gated</p>
Time Qualified Trigger Type, nominal	<p>Shorter or Longer or Inside or Outside</p> <p>Reference information: INSIDE means the measured time of the source event is greater than or equal to the minimum time AND less than or equal to the maximum time. OUTSIDE means the measured time of the source event is less than the minimum time OR greater than the maximum time</p>
Time Qualified Trigger (minimum or maximum) Time Range, nominal	0 ns to 10 s
Time Qualified Trigger (Minimum or Maximum) Time Resolution	<p>Trigger Source is not EXTERNAL: 6.7 ns</p> <p>Trigger Source is EXTERNAL: SPAN \leq25 MHz: 20 ns 25 MHz < SPAN \leq 110 MHz: 6.7 ns</p>

Table 27: Trigger (with Option 200) (cont.)

Characteristic	Description
Time Qualified Trigger (minimum or maximum) Time Accuracy, nominal	<p>For Power Trigger: $\pm[(2 \times \text{Power Trigger Position Timing Uncertainty}) + 6.7 \text{ ns}]$; All conditions for Power Trigger Position timing uncertainty must be met</p> <p>For FMT: $\pm[(2 \times \text{Frequency Mask Timing Uncertainty}) + 6.7 \text{ ns}]$; All conditions for Frequency Mask Trigger timing uncertainty must be met</p> <p>For DPX Statistics Trigger: $\pm 42 \text{ ms}$;</p> <p>For External Trigger $\text{SPAN} \leq 25 \text{ MHz}$: $\pm[(2 \times \text{External Trigger Timing Uncertainty}) + 20 \text{ ns}]$; All conditions for External Trigger Timing uncertainty must be met</p> <p>For External Trigger $25 \text{ MHz} < \text{SPAN} \leq 110 \text{ MHz}$: $\pm[(2 \times \text{External Trigger Timing Uncertainty}) + 6.7 \text{ ns}]$; All conditions for External Trigger Timing uncertainty must be met</p> <hr/> Instrument Center Frequency $\geq 50 \text{ MHz}$
Holdoff Trigger	<p>ON or OFF</p> <p>Reference Information: Holdoff Trigger means triggers will be held off until a period of time equal to or greater than the Holdoff Trigger Time occurs with no trigger events; once the Holdoff timer has expired, a trigger will be generated on the next trigger event</p>
Holdoff Trigger Source	Applied to any allowed combination of trigger source and time qualification
Holdoff Trigger Time Range, nominal	20 ns to 10 s
Holdoff Trigger Time Resolution, nominal	<p>Trigger Source is not EXTERNAL: 6.7 ns</p> <p>Trigger Source is EXTERNAL:</p> <p> $\text{SPAN} \leq 40 \text{ MHz}$: 20 ns</p> <p> $40 \text{ MHz} < \text{SPAN} \leq 110 \text{ MHz}$: 6.7 ns</p>

Table 27: Trigger (with Option 200) (cont.)

Characteristic	Description
Holdoff Trigger Time Accuracy, nominal	<p>For Power Trigger: $\pm(\text{Power Trigger Position Timing Uncertainty} + 6.7 \text{ ns})$; All conditions for Power Trigger Position Timing Uncertainty must be met</p> <p>For FMT: $\pm(\text{Frequency Mask Trigger Timing Uncertainty} + 6.7 \text{ ns})$; All conditions for Frequency Mask Trigger Timing Uncertainty must be met</p> <p>For DPX Statistics Trigger: $\pm 42 \text{ ms}$;</p> <p>For External Trigger SPAN $\leq 25 \text{ MHz}$: $\pm(\text{External Trigger Timing Uncertainty} + 20 \text{ ns})$; All conditions for External Trigger Timing uncertainty must be met</p> <p>For External Trigger $25 \text{ MHz} < \text{SPAN} \leq 85/110 \text{ MHz}$: $\pm(\text{External Trigger Timing Uncertainty} + 6.7 \text{ ns})$; All conditions for External Trigger Timing Uncertainty must be met</p> <p>If Time Qualified Trigger is used, the Accuracy value increases to 2X the number given above for the specified trigger source.</p>

Table 28: Resolution bandwidth filter (SA mode)

Characteristic	Description
Filter Shape, nominal	Gaussian-like (Actual filter shape is Kaiser with $\beta = 16.72$)
Bandwidth Accuracy	1.0% (Auto-coupled)
Range, nominal	See the following table
Resolution, nominal	1, 2, 3, 5 (for sequence selection) 1% (for user-entry mode)
Minimum Settable RBW, nominal	See the following table
Shape Factor, typical	4.1:1 (60 dB:3 dB) ($\pm 10\%$)

Table 29: Range and settable RBW (SA mode)

Acquisition BW	Frequency Domain Resolution Bandwidth Range	
	Maximum RBW	Minimum RBW
110 MHz (Option 85)	10 MHz	100 Hz
85 MHz (Option 85)	10 MHz	100 Hz
60 MHz (Option 85)	10 MHz	100 Hz
25 MHz	5 MHz	100 Hz
20 MHz	4 MHz	100 Hz
10 MHz	2 MHz	10 Hz
5 MHz	1 MHz	10 Hz

Table 29: Range and settable RBW (SA mode) (cont.)

Acquisition BW	Frequency Domain Resolution Bandwidth Range	
	Maximum RBW	Minimum RBW
2.5 MHz	500 kHz	10 Hz
1.25 MHz	250 kHz	1 Hz
625 kHz	125 kHz	1 Hz
312.5 kHz	62.5 kHz	1 Hz
156.25 kHz	31.2 kHz	0.1 Hz
78.125 kHz	15.6 kHz	0.1 Hz
39.0625 kHz	7.8 kHz	0.1 Hz
19.53125 kHz	3.9 kHz	0.1 Hz
9.765625 kHz	1.9 kHz	0.1 Hz
4.8828125 kHz	976 Hz	0.1 Hz
2.44140625 kHz	488 Hz	0.1 Hz
1.220703125 kHz	244 Hz	0.1 Hz
610.3515625 Hz	122 Hz	0.1 Hz
305.17578125 Hz	61 Hz	0.1 Hz
152.587890625 Hz	30 Hz	0.1 Hz

Table 30: Resolution bandwidth filter (time-domain mode)

Characteristic	Description
Filter Shape, nominal	Gaussian-like (Actual filter shape is Kaiser with $b = 16.72$)
Shape Factor, typical	4.1:1 (60 dB:3 dB) ($\pm 10\%$) for filters up to 10 MHz < approximately 2.5:1 (60 dB:3 dB) for filters >10 MHz to 60 MHz
Range, nominal	See the following table
Bandwidth Accuracy	1 Hz to 10 MHz = 1% (Auto-coupled) 20 MHz & 60 MHz = 10%
Resolution, nominal	1, 2, 3, 5 (plus 60 MHz for Option 85) (for sequence selection) 1% (for user-entry mode)
Minimum Settable RBW, nominal	See the following table

Table 31: Range and settable RBW (time-domain mode)

Acquisition BW	Time Domain Trigger And	
	Maximum TDBW	Minimum TDBW
85/110 MHz (Opt 85110)	60 MHz	11 kHz
60 MHz (Opt 85)	7.5 MHz	6 kHz
25 MHz	10 MHz	4 kHz
20 MHz	2.5 MHz	2 kHz
10 MHz	1.25 MHz	1 kHz

Table 31: Range and settable RBW (time-domain mode) (cont.)

Acquisition BW	Time Domain Trigger And	
	Maximum TDBW	Minimum TDBW
5 MHz	625 kHz	500 Hz
2.5 MHz	312.5 kHz	250 Hz
1.25 MHz	156.25 kHz	125 Hz
625 kHz	78.125 kHz	62.5 Hz
312.5 kHz	39.0625 kHz	31.25 Hz
156.25 kHz	19.53125 kHz	15.625 Hz
78.125 kHz	9.765625 kHz	7.8125 Hz
39.0625 kHz	4.8828125 kHz	3.90625 Hz
19.53125 kHz	2.44140625 kHz	1.953125 Hz
9.765625 kHz	1.220703125 Hz	1 Hz
4.8828125 kHz	610.3515625 Hz	1 Hz
2.44140625 kHz	305.17578125 Hz	1 Hz
1.220703125 kHz	152.587890625 Hz	1 Hz
610.3515625 Hz	76.2939453125 Hz	1 Hz
305.17578125 Hz	38.14697265625 Hz	1 Hz
152.587890625 Hz	19.073486328125 Hz	1 Hz

¹ Time Domain Trigger bandwidth can always be set to "Wide Open", equal to the acquisition BW

Table 32: Video bandwidth filters

Characteristic	Description
Range, typical	1 Hz to 5 MHz, or no VBW filtering at all
RBW/VBW Ratio, typical	10,000:1, maximum
Resolution, typical	5% of entered value
Accuracy, typical	± 10%

Table 33: Preamp (Option 50/51)

Characteristic	Description
Noise Figure	<7 dB at 2 GHz (Opt. 50)
	<10 dB at 15 GHz (Opt. 51)
	<13 dB at 26.5 GHz (Opt. 51)
Bandwidth	1 MHz to 6.2 GHz (Opt. 50)
	1 MHz to 26.5 GHz (Opt. 51)
Gain, nominal	18 dB at 2 GHz (Opt. 50)
	20 dB at 10 GHz (Opt. 51)

Table 34: Digital IQ output

Characteristic	Min	Max
Differential Output voltage magnitude ($R_{LOAD} = 100 \Omega$)	247 mV	454 mV
Steady state common mode output voltage	1.125 V	1.375 V

¹ LVDS signaling - ANSI EIA/TIA-644 standard

Table 35: 28 Volt noise source drive output

Characteristic	Description
Output Level, nominal	28 VDC @ 140 mA

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Table 36: Measurement function

Characteristic	Description
Power and Frequency Domain Measurement Functions, nominal	Channel Power Adjacent Channel Power Multi-carrier Adjacent Channel Power/Leakage Ratio Occupied Bandwidth xdB Down dBm/Hz Marker dBc/Hz Marker
Time Domain and Statistical Measurement Functions, nominal	RF I/Q vs. Time Power vs. Time Frequency vs. Time Phase vs. Time CCDF Peak-to-Average Ratio
Analog Modulation Analysis, nominal	%Amplitude Modulation (+, -, rms, modulation depth) Frequency Modulation (\pm peak, +peak to -peak, rms, peak-peak/2, frequency error) Phase Modulation (\pm peak, rms, +peak to -peak)
Audio Analysis (Option 10)	
AM	Carrier Power Audio Frequency Modulation Depth (+peak, -peak, pk-pk/2, RMS) SINAD Modulation Distortion S/N Total Harmonic Distortion Total Non-Harmonic Distortion Hum and Noise

Table 36: Measurement function (cont.)

Characteristic	Description
FM	Carrier Power Frequency Error Audio Frequency Deviation (+peak, -peak, pk-pk/2, RMS) SINAD Modulation Distortion S/N Total Harmonic Distortion Total Non-Harmonic Distortion Hum and Noise
PM	Carrier Power Carrier Frequency Error Audio Frequency Deviation (+peak, -peak, pk-pk/2, RMS) SINAD Modulation Distortion S/N Total Harmonic Distortion Total Non-Harmonic Distortion Hum and Noise
Direct	Signal Power Audio Frequency (+peak, -peak, pk-pk/2, RMS) SINAD Modulation Distortion S/N Total Harmonic Distortion Total Non-Harmonic Distortion Hum and Noise
Phase Noise and Jitter Measurements (Option 11)	Phase Noise vs. Frequency Offset Carrier Power Frequency Error RMS Phase Noise Integrated Jitter Residual FM
Frequency and Phase Settling Measurements (Option 12)	Frequency Settling Time Phase Settling Time

Table 36: Measurement function (cont.)

Characteristic	Description
Advanced Measurements Suite (Option 20), nominal	Average On Power Peak Power Average Transmitted Power Pulse Width Rise Time Fall Time Repetition Interval (seconds) Repetition Interval (Hz) Duty Factor (%) Duty Factor (ratio) Ripple (dB) Ripple (%) Droop (dB) Droop (%) Overshoot (dB) Overshoot (%) Pulse-to-Pulse Frequency Difference, Pulse-to-Pulse Phase Difference RMS Frequency Error, Max Frequency Error RMS Phase Error Max Phase Error Frequency Deviation Phase Deviation Impulse Response (dB) Impulse Response (time) Time Stamp
General Purpose Digital Modulation Analysis (Option 21), nominal	Constellation Error Vector Magnitude (EVM) vs. Time (RMS Peak) Magnitude Error vs. Time (RMS/Peak) Phase Error vs. Time (RMS/Peak) Signal Quality (EVM RMS/Peak) EVM (RMS/Peak), Location Magnitude Error (RMS/Peak), Location Phase Error (RMS/Peak), Location Waveform Quality (RHO) Modulation Error Rate (MER) RMS Frequency Offset IQ Origin Offset Gain Imbalance Quadrature Error Symbol Table

Table 37: Views by domain

Characteristic	Description
Frequency, nominal	Spectrum (Amplitude vs. Frequency) DPX™ Spectrum Display (Live RF color-graded spectrum) Spectrogram (Amplitude vs. Frequency over Time) Channel Power and ACPR MCPR Occupied Bandwidth Spurious
Time and Statistics, nominal	Frequency vs. Time Amplitude vs. Time Phase vs. Time RF I&Q vs. Time Time Overview CCDF Peak-Average-Ratio
Phase Noise and Jitter Measurements (Option 11)	Phase Noise
Frequency and Phase Settling Measurements (Option 12)	Frequency Settling Phase Settling
Advanced Measurements Suite (Option 20), nominal	Pulse Results Table Pulse Trace (Selectable by pulse number) Pulse Statistics (Trend of Pulse Results and FFT of Trend)
General Purpose Digital Modulation Analysis (Option 21), nominal	Constellation Diagram I/Q vs. Time EVM vs. Time Symbol Table (Binary or Hexadecimal) Demodulated IQ vs. Time Eye Diagram Trellis Diagram Frequency Deviation vs. Time

Table 38: Analog demodulation accuracy

Characteristic	Description
Amplitude vs. Time Accuracy, typical	$\pm 1\%$ (-10 dBfs Input at center, 5% to 95% Modulation Depth)
Phase vs. Time Accuracy, typical	$\pm 0.1^\circ$ for modulations $< 180^\circ$, and rates < 500 kHz. (-10 dBfs Input at center)
Frequency vs. Time Accuracy, typical	$\pm 0.1\%$ of Span for deviations < 2 MHz, and modulation frequencies < 500 kHz. (-10 dBfs Input at center)

Table 39: General Purpose Analog modulation accuracy

Characteristic	Description
AM Demodulation Accuracy, typical	$\pm 2\%$ (0 dBm Input at center, Carrier Frequency 1 GHz, 10 to 60 % Modulation Depth; 1 kHz/5 kHz Input/Modulated frequency; 0 dBm Input Power Level, Reference Level 10 dBm, Atten = Auto)
PM Demodulation Accuracy, typical	$\pm 3^\circ$ (0 dBm Input at center; Carrier Frequency 1 GHz, 400 Hz/1 kHz Input/Modulated Frequency; 0 dBm Input Power Level, Reference Level 10 dBm, Atten=Auto)
FM Demodulation Accuracy, typical	$\pm 1\%$ of Span (0 dBm Input at center; Carrier Frequency 1 GHz, 1 kHz/5 kHz Input/Modulated Frequency, 0 dBm Input Power Level, Reference Level 10 dBm, Atten = Auto)

Table 40: General purpose digital modulation analysis (Option 21)

Characteristic	Description
Carrier Type, nominal	Continuous, Burst (5 μ s minimum on-time)
Analysis Period, nominal	Up to 80,000 samples
Modulation Format Presets, nominal	BPSK, QPSK, DQPSK, OQPSK, pi/2DBPSK, pi/4DQPSK, D8PSK, 8PSK, 16QAM, 64QAM, 256QAM, GMSK, GFSK, MSK, 2FSK, 4FSK, 8FSK, 16FSK, CPM, SOQPSK, SBPSK, C4FM
Measurement Filter, nominal	Root Raised Cosine, Raised Cosine, Gaussian, Rectangular, IS-95, IS-95 Base EQ, C4FM-P25, half sine, None, User defined
Reference Filter, nominal	Gaussian, Raised Cosine, Rectangular, IS-95 baseband, SBPSK-MIL, SOQPSK-MIL, SOQPSK-ARTM, None, User defined
Filter Rolloff Factor, nominal	a:0.001 to 1, 0.001 step
Maximum Symbol Rate, nominal	100 Ms/s (Option 21)
Standard Setup Presets, nominal	None
Measurement Functions, nominal	Constellation, EVM, Symbol Table
Vector Diagram Display Format, nominal	Symbol/Locus Display, Frequency Error Measurement, Origin Offset Measurement
Constellation Diagram Display Format, nominal	Symbol Display, Frequency Error Measurement, Origin Offset Measurement
Eye Diagram Display Format, nominal	None
Error Vector Diagram Display Format, nominal	EVM, Magnitude Error, Phase Error, Waveform Quality (r) Measurement Frequency Error Measurement Origin Offset Measurement
Symbol Table Display Format, nominal	Binary, Hexadecimal

Table 41: Digital demodulation accuracy (Option 21)

Characteristic		Description	
QPSK Residual EVM, typical	CF		2 GHz
	Symbol Rate	100 kHz	0.35%
		1 MHz	0.35%
		10 MHz	0.5%
		30 MHz	1.0% (Option 85 only)
		60 MHz	1.5% (Option 85 only)
		80 MHz	1.5% (Option 110 only)
256 QAM Residual EVM, typical	CF		2 GHz
	Symbol Rate	10 MHz	0.5%
		30 MHz	1.0% (Option 40/85 only)
		60 MHz	1.0% (Option 85/110 only)
		80 MHz	1.0% (Option 110 only)
OQPSK Residual EVM, typical	CF		2 GHz
	Symbol Rate	100 kHz	0.5%
		1 MHz	0.5%
		10 MHz	1.1%
	Reference Filter: Raised Cosine, Measurement Filter: Root Raised Cosine, Filter Parameter: Alpha = 0.3		
S-OQPSK (MIL) Residual EVM, typical	CF		250 MHz
	Symbol Rate	4 kHz	0.6%
	Reference Filter: MIL STD, Measurement Filter: None		
S-OQPSK (MIL) Residual EVM, typical	CF		2 GHz
	Symbol Rate	20 kHz	0.6%
		100 kHz	0.5%
		1 MHz	0.5%
Reference Filter: MIL STD, Measurement Filter: None			
S-OQPSK (ARTM) Residual EVM, typical	CF		250 MHz
	Symbol Rate	4 kHz	0.6%
	Reference Filter: ARTM STD, Measurement Filter: None		
S-OQPSK (ARTM) Residual EVM, typical	CF		2 GHz
	Symbol Rate	20 kHz	0.6%
		100 kHz	0.5%
		1 MHz	0.5%
Reference Filter: ARTM STD, Measurement Filter: None			
S-BPSK (MIL) Residual EVM, typical	CF		250 MHz
	Symbol Rate	4 kHz	0.4%
	Reference Filter: MIL STD, Measurement Filter: None		

Table 41: Digital demodulation accuracy (Option 21) (cont.)

Characteristic	Description	
S-BPSK (MIL)	CF	2 GHz
Residual EVM, typical	Symbol Rate	20 kHz
		100 kHz
		1 MHz
	Reference Filter: MIL STD, Measurement Filter: None	
CPM (MIL)	CF	250 MHz
Residual EVM, typical	Symbol Rate	4 kHz
	Reference Filter: MIL STD, Measurement Filter: None	
CPM (MIL)	CF	2 GHz
Residual EVM, typical	Symbol Rate	20 kHz
		100 kHz
		1 MHz
	Reference Filter: MIL STD, Measurement Filter: None	
2/4/8/16 FSK	CF	2 GHz
Residual RMS FSK Error, typical	Symbol Rate	10 kHz

Table 42: OFDM measurement (Option 22)

Characteristic	Description
OFDM Maximum Residual EVM (RMS) (802.11a/g/j OFDM and 802.16-2004), typical	-44 dB

Table 43: ACLR measurement

Characteristic	Description
ACLR (3GPP Down Link, 1 DPCH) (2130 MHz), typical	-69 dBc (Adjacent Channel)
	-80 dBc w/Noise Correction ACPR (Adjacent Channel)
	-70 dBc (First Alternate Channel)
	-82 dBc w/Noise Correction (First Alternate Channel)

Table 44: Digital phosphor spectrum processing (DPx)

Characteristic	Description
Spectrum Processing Rate, nominal	48,833 per second (Span Independent)
	292,000 per second (Span Independent) (Option 200)
Min Signal Duration for 100% Probability of Trigger, typical	30.7 μ s (Standard, Option 40)
	10.3 μ s (Option 85/110, instrument center frequency \geq 50 MHz)
Standard instrument	

Table 44: Digital phosphor spectrum processing (DPx) (cont.)

Characteristic	Description			
	Standard, Span = 25 MHz		Option 40, Span = 40 MHz	
Frequency Mask Trigger				
Real-time Event Min Signal Duration for 100% Probability of Trigger, typical	FMT RBW	Minimum event duration (µs)	FMT RBW	Minimum event duration (µs)
Option 52	5 MHz	4.0	5 MHz	3.9
	1 MHz	5.8	1 MHz	5.8
	100 kHz	27.5	300 kHz	11.4
	10 kHz	267.8	100 kHz	30.8
			10 kHz	294.5
	Option 85/110, Span = 85/110 MHz¹			
	FMT RBW	Minimum event duration (µs)		
	10 MHz	3.7		
	1 MHz	5.8		
	100 kHz	37.6		
Span Range, nominal	100 Hz to 25 MHz (Standard) 100 Hz to 40 MHz (Option 40) 100 Hz to 85 MHz (Option 85) 100 Hz to 110 MHz (Option 110)			
RBW Settings, nominal	RBW (Min)	RBW (Max)	RBW (Min)	RBW (Max)
Acquisition Bandwidth			Option 200	Option 200
110 MHz (Option 110)	640 kHz	10 MHz	16.7 kHz	10 MHz
85 MHz (Option 85)	598 kHz	10 MHz	12.9 kHz	10 MHz
60 MHz (Option 85)	299 kHz	8.36 MHz	9.1 kHz	9.1 MHz
40 MHz (Option 40/85)	299 kHz	8.36 MHz	6.1 kHz	6.0 MHz
25 MHz	200 kHz	5.57 MHz	3.80 kHz	3.8 MHz
20 MHz	99.6 kHz	2.79 MHz	3.04 kHz	3.0 MHz
10 MHz	49.8 kHz	1.39 MHz	1.52 kHz	1.52 MHz
5 MHz	24.9 kHz	697 kHz	760 Hz	760 kHz
2 MHz	12.5 kHz	348 kHz	304 Hz	304 kHz
1 MHz	6.22 kHz	174 kHz	152 Hz	152 kHz
500 kHz	3.11 kHz	87.1 kHz	76 Hz	76.0 kHz
200 kHz	1.56 kHz	43.5 kHz	30.4 Hz	30.4 kHz
100 kHz	778 Hz	21.8 kHz	15.2 Hz	15.2 kHz
50 kHz	389 Hz	10.9 kHz	7.6 Hz	7.6 kHz
20 kHz	195 Hz	5.44 kHz	3.04 Hz	3.04 kHz
10 kHz	97.2 Hz	2.72 kHz	1.52 Hz	1.52 kHz
5 kHz	48.6 Hz	1.36 kHz	0.760 Hz	760 Hz

Table 44: Digital phosphor spectrum processing (DPx) (cont.)

Characteristic	Description
2 kHz	12.2 Hz 340 Hz 0.304 Hz 304 Hz
1 kHz	6.08 Hz 170 Hz 0.152 Hz 152 Hz
500 Hz	3.04 Hz 85 Hz 0.100 Hz 76 Hz
200 Hz	1.52 Hz 42 Hz 0.100 Hz 30 Hz
100 Hz	0.760 Hz 21 Hz 0.100 Hz 15 Hz
RBW Accuracy	±1%
Span Accuracy (Option 200)	±1%
Amplitude Accuracy (Option 200)	±0.5 dB Reference Information: This specification is in addition to the overall amplitude accuracy uncertainty for spectrum analysis mode, and includes any channel flatness degradation caused by the real-time flatness correction in DPX mode. Measured using the DPX average trace.
Zerospan, Frequency, or Phase Measurement BW Range, nominal	Decimation of 2^N from Sample Rate (after DIFP decimation). Minimum BW = 100 Hz $0 \leq N \leq 20$
Zerospan, Frequency, or Phase Time Domain BW (TDBW) Range, nominal	Maximum – (See Table 31.) Minimum ≤ 15 Hz for Sample Rate ≤ 150 MS/s Minimum ≤ 5 Hz for Sample Rate ≤ 50 MS/s Minimum = 1 Hz for Sample Rate ≤ 6.25 MS/s
Zerospan, Frequency, or Phase Time Domain BW (TDBW) Accuracy, nominal	±1%
Zerospan, Frequency, or Phase Sweep Time Range, nominal	100 ns minimum 1 s maximum, Measurement BW > 60 MHz 2000 s maximum, Measurement BW ≤ 60 MHz
Zerospan, Frequency, or Phase Sweep Time Accuracy, nominal	±(0.5% + Reference Frequency Accuracy)
Zerospan Amplitude Range, nominal	+130 dBm to -270 dBm
Zerospan Trigger Timing Uncertainty, nominal	± (Zerospan Sweep Time/800) Reference Information: Only valid if using Power Trigger and only valid at trigger point. For example: ±100 ns/800 or ±125 ps for a 100 ns sweep time ±100 μs/800 or ±125 ps for a 100 μs sweep time
DPX Frequency Range	±100 MHz

Table 44: Digital phosphor spectrum processing (DPx) (cont.)

Characteristic	Description
DPX Frequency Timing Uncertainty, nominal	\pm (Frequency Sweep Time/800) Reference Information: Only valid if using Frequency Edge Trigger and only valid at the trigger point. For example: ± 100 ns/800 or ± 125 ps for a 100 ns sweep time ± 100 ns/800 or ± 125 ps for a 100 μ s sweep time
Phase Range	± 200 degrees
DPX Spectrogram Performance (DPXogram)	
Span range	100 Hz to Maximum acquisition bandwidth
DPXogram trace detection	+Peak, -Peak, Avg (Vrms)
DPXogram trace length	801 to 4001 points
DPXogram memory depth	Trace Length = 801: 60,000 traces Trace Length = 2401: 20,000 traces Trace Length = 4001: 12,000 traces
Time resolution per line	110 μ s to 6400 μ s, user settable
Maximum recording time vs. line resolution	6.6 seconds (801 points/trace, 110 μ s/line) to 4444 days (801 points/trace, 6400 s/line)

¹ Instrument Center Frequency \geq 50 MHz

Table 45: Frequency Settling Time measurement (Option 12) ¹

Measurement frequency, averages	Settled Frequency Uncertainty at stated measurement bandwidth			
	110/85 MHz BW	10 MHz BW	1 MHz BW	100 kHz BW
1 GHz				
Single measurement	2 kHz	100 Hz	10 Hz	1 Hz
100 Averages	200 Hz	10 Hz	1 Hz	0.1 Hz
1000 Averages	50 Hz	2 Hz	1 Hz	0.05 Hz
10 GHz				
Single measurement	5 kHz	100 Hz	10 Hz	5 Hz
100 Averages	300 Hz	10 Hz	1 Hz	0.5 Hz
1000 Averages	100 Hz	5 Hz	0.5 Hz	0.1 Hz

Table 45: Frequency Settling Time measurement (Option 12) ¹ (cont.)

Measurement frequency, averages	Settled Frequency Uncertainty at stated measurement bandwidth			
	110/85 MHz BW	10 MHz BW	1 MHz BW	100 kHz BW
20 GHz				
Single measurement	2 kHz	100 Hz	10 Hz	5 Hz
100 Averages	200 Hz	10 Hz	1 Hz	0.5 Hz
1000 Averages	100 Hz	5 Hz	0.5 Hz	0.2 Hz
Reference information: Measured input signal > -20 dBm, Attenuator: Auto				

¹ Settled Frequency Uncertainty, 95% confidence.

Table 46: AM/FM/PM and Direct audio measurements (Option 10) ¹

Characteristic	Description	Reference information
Analog demodulation		
Carrier frequency range (for modulation and audio measurements)	$\frac{1}{2} \times$ (Audio Analysis Bandwidth) to maximum input frequency	
Maximum audio frequency span	10 MHz	
Audio filters		
Low Pass (kHz)	0.3, 3, 15, 30, 80, 300, and user-entered up to $0.9 \times$ audio bandwidth	
High Pass (Hz)	20, 50, 300, 400, and user-entered up to $0.9 \times$ audio bandwidth	
Standard	CCITT, C-Message	
De-emphasis (μ s)	25, 50, 75, 750, and user-entered	
File	User-supplied .txt or .csv file of amplitude/frequency pairs. Up to 1000 amplitude/frequency pairs supported.	
FM modulation analysis		
FM carrier power accuracy, typical	± 0.85 dB	Carrier frequency: 10 MHz to 2 GHz Input power: -20 to 0 dBm
FM carrier frequency accuracy, typical	± 0.5 Hz + (transmitter frequency \times reference frequency error)	Deviation: 1 to 10 kHz
FM deviation accuracy, typical	\pm (1% of (rate + deviation) + 50 Hz)	Rate: 1 kHz to 1 MHz
FM rate accuracy, typical	± 0.2 Hz	Deviation: 1 to 100 kHz
FM residual THD, typical	0.10%	Rate: 1 to 10 kHz Deviation: 5 kHz
FM residual distortion, typical	0.13%	Rate: 1 to 10 kHz Deviation: 5 kHz
FM residual SINAD, typical	58 dB	Rate: 1 to 10 kHz Deviation: 5 kHz
AM modulation analysis		

Table 46: AM/FM/PM and Direct audio measurements (Option 10)¹ (cont.)

Characteristic	Description	Reference information
AM carrier power accuracy, typical	±0.85 dB	Carrier frequency: 10 MHz to 2 GHz Input power: -20 to 0 dBm
AM depth accuracy, typical	±0.2% + (0.01 × measured value)	Rate: 1 kHz to 100 kHz Depth: 10% to 90%
AM rate accuracy, typical	±0.2 Hz	Rate: 1 kHz to 1 MHz Depth: 50%
AM residual THD, typical	0.16%	Rate: 1 to 10 kHz Depth: 50%
AM residual distortion, typical	0.17%	Rate: 1 to 10 kHz Depth: 50%
AM residual SINAD, typical	56 dB	Rate: 1 to 10 kHz Depth: 50%
PM modulation analysis		
PM carrier power accuracy, typical	±0.85 dB	Carrier frequency: 10 MHz to 2 GHz Input power: -20 to 0 dBm
PM carrier frequency accuracy, typical	±0.2 Hz + (transmitter frequency × reference frequency error)	Deviation: 0.628 radians
PM deviation accuracy, typical	±100% × (0.01 + (measured rate / 1 MHz))	Rate: 10 kHz to 20 kHz Deviation: 0.628 to 6 radians
PM rate accuracy, typical	±0.2 Hz	Rate: 1 kHz to 10 kHz Deviation: 0.628 radians
PM residual THD, typical	0.1%	Rate: 1 kHz to 10 kHz Deviation: 0.628 radians
PM residual distortion, typical	1%	Rate: 1 kHz to 10 kHz Deviation: 0.628 radians
PM residual SINAD, typical	40 dB	Rate: 1 kHz to 10 kHz Deviation: 0.628 radians
Direct audio input		
Direct input frequency range (for audio measurements only)	1 Hz to 156 kHz	
Audio frequency span	156 kHz, maximum	
Audio frequency accuracy, typical	±0.2 Hz	
Signal power accuracy, typical	±1.5 dB	
Direct audio input residual THD, typical	0.1%	Frequency: 1 to 10 kHz input level: 0.316 V

Table 46: AM/FM/PM and Direct audio measurements (Option 10)¹ (cont.)

Characteristic	Description	Reference information
Direct audio input residual distortion	0.1%	Frequency: 1 to 10 kHz Input level: 0.316 V
Direct audio input residual SINAD	60 dB	Frequency: 1 to 10 kHz Input level: 0.316 V

¹ Signal and instrument settings for characteristics listed in this table:
 Input frequency: <2 GHz
 RBW: Auto
 Averaging: Off
 Filters: Off
 FM Performance: Modulation Index > 0.1

Table 47: Adaptive equalizer

Characteristic	Description
Type	Linear, decision-directed, feed-forward (FIR) equalizer with coefficient adaptation and adjustable convergence rate
Modulation types supported	BPSK, QPSK, OQPSK, $\pi/2$ -DBPSK, $\pi/4$ -DQPSK, 8-PSK, 8-DSPK, 16-DPSK, 16/32/64/128/256-QAM
Reference filters for all modulation types except for OQPSK	Raised Cosine, Rectangular, None
Reference filters for OQPSK	Raised Cosine, Half Sine
Filter length	1 - 128 taps
Taps/symbol: Raised Cosine, Half Sine, or No Filter	1, 2, 4, or 8
Taps/symbol: Rectangular Filter	1
Equalizer controls	Off, Train, Hold, Reset

Table 48: OBW measurement

Characteristic	Description
OBW Accuracy	
2 GHz OFDM Carrier, 20 MHz 99% OBW (Measured in a 40 MHz measurement BW)	$\pm 0.35\%$
10 GHz OFDM Carrier, 80 MHz 99% OBW (Measured in a 100 MHz measurement BW)	$\pm 0.5\%$

Table 49: xdB Bandwidth measurement

Characteristic	Description
xdB Bandwidth, typical	$\pm 3\%$

Table 50: Settled Phase uncertainty (Option 12) ¹

Measurement frequency, averages	Phase uncertainty (degrees) at stated measurement bandwidth		
	110/85 MHz BW	10 MHz BW	1 MHz BW
1 GHz			
Single measurement	1.00	0.50	0.50
100 Averages	0.10	0.05	0.05
1000 Averages	0.05	0.01	0.01
10 GHz			
Single measurement	1.50	1.00	0.50
100 Averages	0.20	0.10	0.05
1000 Averages	0.10	0.05	0.02
20 GHz			
Single measurement	1.00	0.50	0.50
100 Averages	0.10	0.05	0.05
1000 Averages	0.05	0.02	0.02

Reference information: Measured input signal > -20 dBm, Attenuator: Auto

¹ Settled Phase Uncertainty, 95% confidence.

Table 51: File Saving Speeds

Characteristic	Description
Save to Hard Disk Drive Speed (Standard), typical	6 s (20 M samples)
	40 s (100 M samples)
	350 s (954 M samples)
Save to Hard Disk Drive Speed (Option 56, Removable Hard Disk Drive), typical	6 s (20 M samples)
	35 s (100 M samples)
	275 s (954 M samples)

Table 52: Data Transfer/Measurement Speeds

Characteristic	Description
Spectrum Traces Transfer Speed via Ethernet, typical	25 ms/trace
Marker Readout Transfer Speed via Ethernet, typical	5 ms
Center Frequency Tuning Speed via Ethernet, typical	100 ms (Tune 1 GHz to 1.01 GHz)
	125 ms (Tune 1 GHz to 10 GHz, RSA5115A/5126A only)

Physical Characteristics

Table 53: Physical characteristics

Characteristic	Description	
Dimensions	mm	in.
Width (handles folded in)	473	18.6
Height (with feet, without accessory pouch)	282	11.1
Length	531	20.9
Weight (without accessories)	lb.	
Net, nominal	54.5 (RSA5103A/5106A)	
	62.5 (RSA5115A)	
	64.7 (RSA5126A)	

Table 54: Display/computer

Characteristic	Description
LCD Panel Size	264 mm (10.4 in)
Display Resolution	
Internal LCD	1024 x 768 pixels (Nominally configured for 800 x 600 operation)
External VGA display	Up to 2048 x 1536
Colors	32-bit
CPU	Intel Celeron M 550 2.0 GHz (1M L2 Cache, 533 MHz FSB) Intel GME965 GMCH/ICH8-Mz
DRAM	4 Gbyte DDR2 667 DIMM (2 x (256M x 64) PC2-5300 200 pin SODIMM (Standard)
OS	Microsoft Windows 7 Ultimate 64-bit
System Bus	PCIe
Hard Disk Drive	
Standard	3.5 in. SATA II, 7200rpm, 160 GByte (minimum size)
Removable (Option 56)	2.5 in. SATA II, 5400rpm, 8M buffer, 160 GByte (minimum size)
CD/DVD (Option 57)	SATA I, class 1 laser Read formats: CD-R, CD-RW, CD-ROM, DVD-R, DVD-ROM, DVD-RW, DVD+R, DVD+RW, DVD-RAM Recordable disc: CD-R, CD-RW
I/O Ports	
USB	USB 2.0 x 4 (2 front panel, 2 rear panel)
GPIO	IEEE 488.2 (rear panel)
LAN	10/100/1000 Base-T (Intel 82566MM)
VGA	D-SUB 15 pin, rear panel - up to 2048 x1536
PS2	Keyboard only (rear panel)
Audio	Realtek HD Audio (ALC888), Internal speaker, Rear panel Headphone out, Mic IN

Safety

For detailed information on Safety, see the *RSA6100A Series Real-Time Spectrum Analyzers, RSA5100A Series Real-Time Signal Analyzers Quick Start User Manual*, Tektronix part number 071-2838-XX.

Certifications and Compliances

For detailed information on Certifications and Compliances, see the *RSA6100A Series Real-Time Spectrum Analyzers, RSA5100A Series Real-Time Signal Analyzers Quick Start User Manual*, Tektronix part number 071-2838-XX.

Environmental Characteristics

Table 55: Environmental characteristics

Characteristic	Description
Temperature range ¹	
Operating	+5 °C to +40 °C
When accessing DVD	+5 °C to +40 °C
Non-operating	-20 °C to +60 °C
Relative Humidity	90% RH at 30 °C (No condensation) (80% RH max when accessing CD) Maximum wet-bulb temperature 29 °C
Altitude	
Operating	Up to 3000 m (approximately 10000 ft)
Non-operating	Up to 12190 m (40000 ft)
Vibration	
Operating	0.22 Grms. Profile = 0.00010 g ² /Hz at 5 Hz to 350 Hz, -3dB/Octave slope from 350 Hz to 500 Hz, 0.00007 g ² /Hz at 500 Hz, 3 Axes at 10 min/axis (Except when accessing DVD/CD), Class 8. Electrical Specifications defined in sections above are not warranted under the operating vibration conditions.
Non-operating	2.28 Grms. Profile = 0.0175 g ² /Hz at 5 Hz to 100 Hz, -3 dB/Octave slope from 100 Hz to 200 Hz, 0.00875 g ² /Hz at 200 Hz to 350 Hz, -3dB/Octave slope from 350 Hz to 500 Hz, 0.00613 g ² /Hz at 500 Hz, 3 Axes at 10 min/axis. Class 5
Shock	
Operating	(15 G), half-sine, 11 ms duration. Three shocks per axis in each direction (18 shocks total) (1 G max when accessing DVD) (DVD tray ejection may occur)
Non-operating	296 m/s ² (30 G), half-sine, 11 ms duration. Three shocks per axis in each direction (18 shocks total) (DVD tray ejection may occur)

Table 55: Environmental characteristics (cont.)

Characteristic	Description
Cooling Clearance	
Both Sides	50 mm (1.97 in)

¹ Measured one inch (2.5 cm) away from the ventilation air intake (located at the left side of the instrument when viewed from the front).

Table 56: Power requirements

Characteristic	Description
Voltage range	50 Hz/60 Hz 100 V - 120 V 200 V - 240 V
	400 Hz 90 V - 132 V
Maximum Power dissipation (fully loaded)	Maximum power 400 W
	Maximum line current 5.5 Amps at 50 Hz, 90 V line
Surge Current	MAX 35 A peak (25 °C) for ≤5 line cycles, after product has been turned off for at least 30 s.

Digital IQ Output Connector Pin Assignment (Option 55 Only)

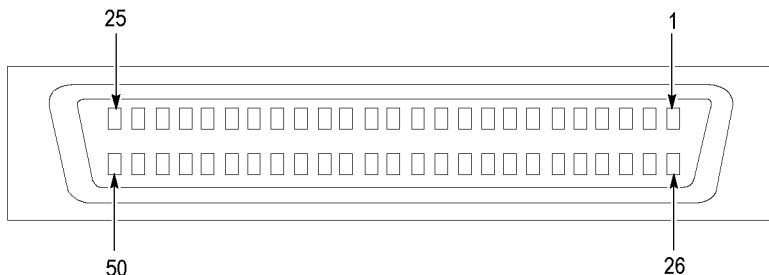


Figure 1: Digital IQ output connector pin assignment

Table 57: I OUTPUT connector pin assignment

Pin number	Signal name	Description
1	IQ_ENABLE*	IQ output enable signal input Open: IQ output disable GND: IQ output enable
26	GND	Ground
2	EXT_IQ_MSW-	Reserved for future use
27	EXT_IQ_MSW+	

Table 57: I OUTPUT connector pin assignment (cont.)

Pin number	Signal name	Description
3	EXT_I0-	I output data (bit 0), LVDS
28	EXT_I0+	
4	EXT_I1-	I output data (bit 1), LVDS
29	EXT_I1+	
5	EXT_I2-	I output data (bit 2), LVDS
30	EXT_I2+	
6	EXT_I3-	I output data (bit 3), LVDS
31	EXT_I3+	
7	GND	Ground
32	GND	
8	EXT_I4-	I output data (bit 4), LVDS
33	EXT_I4+	
9	EXT_I5-	I output data (bit 5), LVDS
34	EXT_I5+	
10	EXT_I6-	I output data (bit 6), LVDS
35	EXT_I6+	
11	EXT_I7-	I output data (bit 7), LVDS
36	EXT_I7+	
12	GND	Ground
37	GND	
13	EXT_I8-	I output data (bit 8), LVDS
38	EXT_I8+	
14	EXT_I9-	I output data (bit 9), LVDS
39	EXT_I9+	
15	EXT_I10-	I output data (bit 10), LVDS
40	EXT_I10+	
16	EXT_I11-	I output data (bit 11), LVDS
41	EXT_I11+	
17	GND	Ground
42	GND	
18	EXT_I12-	I output data (bit 12), LVDS
43	EXT_I12+	
19	EXT_I13-	I output data (bit 13), LVDS
44	EXT_I13+	
20	EXT_I14-	I output data (bit 14), LVDS
45	EXT_I14+	

Table 57: I OUTPUT connector pin assignment (cont.)

Pin number	Signal name	Description
21	EXT_I15-	I output data (bit 15), LVDS
46	EXT_I15+	
22	GND	Ground
47	GND	
23	GND	
48	GND	
24	EXT_IQ_DAV-	IQ Data Valid indicator, LVDS
49	EXT_IQ_DAV+	
25	EXT_IQ_CLK-	IQ output clock, LVDS
50	EXT_IQ_CLK+	

Table 58: Q OUTPUT connector pin assignment

Pin number	Signal name	Description
1	IQ_ENABLE*	IQ output enable signal input Open: IQ output disable GND: IQ output enable
26	GND	Ground
2	GND	
27	GND	
3	EXT_Q0-	Q output data (bit 0), LVDS
28	EXT_Q0+	
4	EXT_Q1-	Q output data (bit 1), LVDS
29	EXT_Q1+	
5	EXT_Q2-	Q output data (bit 2), LVDS
30	EXT_Q2+	
6	EXT_Q3-	Q output data (bit 3), LVDS
31	EXT_Q3+	
7	GND	Ground
32	GND	
8	EXT_Q4-	Q output data (bit 4), LVDS
33	EXT_Q4+	
9	EXT_Q5-	Q output data (bit 5), LVDS
34	EXT_Q5+	
10	EXT_Q6-	Q output data (bit 6), LVDS
35	EXT_Q6+	
11	EXT_Q7-	Q output data (bit 7), LVDS
36	EXT_Q7+	

Table 58: Q OUTPUT connector pin assignment (cont.)

Pin number	Signal name	Description
12	GND	Ground
37	GND	
13	EXT_Q8-	Q output data (bit 8), LVDS
38	EXT_Q8+	
14	EXT_Q9-	Q output data (bit 9), LVDS
39	EXT_Q9+	
15	EXT_Q10-	Q output data (bit 10), LVDS
40	EXT_Q10+	
16	EXT_Q11-	Q output data (bit 11), LVDS
41	EXT_Q11+	
17	GND	Ground
42	GND	
18	EXT_Q12-	Q output data (bit 12), LVDS
43	EXT_Q12+	
19	EXT_Q13-	Q output data (bit 13), LVDS
44	EXT_Q13+	
20	EXT_Q14-	Q output data (bit 14), LVDS
45	EXT_Q14+	
21	EXT_Q15-	Q output data (bit 15), LVDS
46	EXT_Q15+	
22	GND	Ground
47	GND	
23	GND	
48	GND	
24	GND	
49	GND	
25	GND	
50	GND	

Table 59: Mating connections

Recommendation	Description
Mating cable	Tektronix part number 174-5194-00
Mating connector	3M N10250-52E2PC

Digital IQ Output Timing

All I/Q output signals are synchronous to clock EXT_IQ_CLK. The clock operates at either 50 MHz or 150 MHz, depending on the selected real-time span of the RSA5100A. (See Table 61.)

Data is valid when the EXT_IQ_DAV signal is asserted high; data is invalid when EXT_IQ_DAV is low. The EXT_IQ_DAV duty cycle varies with the real-time SPAN, as shown in the following table. At spans where the duty cycle is less than 100%, the EXT_IQ_DAV signal is high for one clock cycle, then low for one or more clock cycles.

Table 60: EXT_IQ_DAV Duty cycle versus Span

Span	EXT_IQ_CLK frequency (MHz)	EXT_IQ_DAV duty cycle (%)
60 MHz	150	50.0
40 MHz	50	100.0
20 MHz	50	50.0
10 MHz	50	25.0
5 MHz	50	12.5
2 MHz	50	6.250
1 MHz	50	3.125
500 kHz	50	1.5625
200 kHz	50	0.78125
100 kHz	50	0.39063
50 kHz	50	0.19531
20 kHz	50	0.097656
10 kHz	50	0.048828
5 kHz	50	0.024414
2 kHz	50	0.006104
1 kHz	50	0.003052
500 kHz	50	0.001526
200 kHz	50	0.000763
100 kHz	50	0.000381

The rising edge of EXT_IQ_CLK is aligned to be in the center of the settled EXT_I[15:0], EXT_Q[15:0], and EXT_IQ_DAV signals.

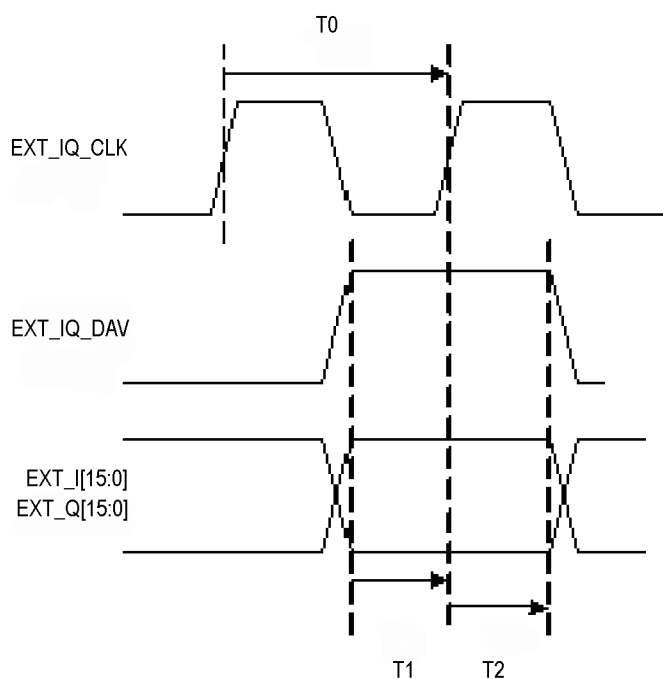


Figure 2: IQ Timing

Table 61: IQ Timing

Real Time Span	T0	T1	T2
>40 MHz	6.6 ns	1.54 ns	1.58 ns
≤40 MHz	20 ns	8.2 ns	8.4 ns

Possible Interruption of Data from Digital I/Q Outputs

There are three conditions during which the RSA5100A will interrupt the flow of data to the digital I/Q outputs. Those conditions are:

- Alignments
- Control Changes
- Stitched Spectrum Mode

When any of these conditions are active, the EXT_IQ_DAV signal will be held in its inactive state. The EXT_IQ_CLK signal will remain active and operate at the frequency consistent with the SPAN value selected for the RSA5100A.

The EXT_IQ_DAV signal will remain inactive for the duration of any alignment or control change. Once the alignment or control change has been completed, the EXT_IQ_DAV signal becomes active again. While the EXT_IQ_DAV signal is inactive, the data from the digital I/Q outputs are not valid and should be ignored.

The duty cycle of the EXT_IQ_DAV signal varies from 100% at the widest SPAN values to a very small percentage at the narrowest SPAN values. (See Table 60.) At a SPAN of 100 Hz, the duty cycle will be 0.00038%; here, the EXT_IQ_DAV signal is active (high) for 20 ns, and then inactive (low) for ≈5.28 ms.

The length of time that the EXT_IQ_DAV signal is inactive can be used to determine if the RSA5100A is performing an alignment or a control change. If the EXT_IQ_DAV signal is inactive for longer than 10 ms, then the RSA5100A digital I/Q output data stream has been interrupted.

External equipment used to detect the occurrence of a data interruption can monitor the state of the EXT_IQ_DAV signal. If the EXT_IQ_DAV signal is inactive for 10 ms or more, an alignment or control change has occurred. The duration of the data interruption can be determined by measuring the time between successive EXT_IQ_DAV pulses.

Digital IQ Output Scaling

Output power in dBm for a sinusoidal input

Where:

$$P (dBm) = 20 \log \left(\frac{\sqrt{I^2 + Q^2}}{2^{14} \sqrt{2}} \right) + Ref$$

Where:

- I and Q are the digital values at the Digital IQ output port
- Ref = Reference Level

Valid for center frequencies that exceed:

- Center frequency ≥ 80 MHz for Spans > 40 MHz
- Center frequency ≥ 30 MHz for Spans > 312.5 kHz and ≤ 40 MHz
- Center frequency ≥ 2 MHz for Spans < 312.3 kHz

Performance Verification

NOTE. *The performance verification procedure is not a calibration procedure. The performance verification procedure only verifies that your instrument meets key specifications. For your instrument to be calibrated, it must be returned to a Tektronix service facility.*

Prerequisites

The tests in this section make up an extensive, valid confirmation of performance and functionality when the following requirements are met:

- The cabinet must be installed on the instrument.
- The instrument must have passed the Power On Self Tests (POST).
- The instrument must have been last adjusted at an ambient temperature between +18 °C (+64 °F) and +28 °C (+82 °F), must have been operating for a warm-up period of at least 20 minutes after starting the RSA5100A application, and must be operating at an ambient temperature. (See Table 55.)

Required Equipment

The procedures, use external, traceable signal sources to directly check warranted characteristics. (See page 61, *Warranted Characteristics Tests.*) The following table lists the equipment required for this procedure.

Table 62: Equipment required for Performance Verification

Item number and	Minimum requirements	Example	Purpose
1. Frequency Counter	Frequency Range: 10 MHz; Accuracy: 1×10^{-9}	Agilent 53132A Option 10	Checking reference output frequency accuracy
2. RF Power Meter		Agilent E4418B	Adjusting signal generator output level, checking reference output power level
3. RF Power Sensor 1	9 kHz to 18 GHz RF Flatness: <3% Calibration factor data uncertainty: <2% (RSS)	Agilent E9304A Option H18	Checking reference output power level
4. RF Power Sensor 2	10 MHz to 26.5 GHz RF Flatness	Agilent E4413A, Option H10	
5. Signal Generator	Frequency Accuracy: $\pm 3 \times 10^{-7}$ Output Frequency: 0 to 40 GHz	Anritsu MG3694B Options 2A, 3A, 4, 15A, 16, 22, SM5821	Checking RF flatness, intermodulation distortion, image suppression, and external reference lock check.

Table 62: Equipment required for Performance Verification (cont.)

Item number and	Minimum requirements	Example	Purpose
6. RF Signal Generator	Output Frequency 10 MHz to 26.5 GHz	Anritsu MG3694B	Checking phase noise and third order intermodulation distortion
	Phase Noise at Center Frequency = 1 GHz	Options 2A, 3A, 4, 15A, 16, 22, SM5821	
	Offset	SSB Phase Noise (F) dBc/Hz	
	10 Hz	-71	
	100 Hz	-93	
	1 kHz	-118	
	10 kHz	-121	
100 kHz	-119		
1 MHz	-138		
7. Precision Attenuator	30 dB		
8. Network Analyzer	10 MHz to 26.5 GHz	Agilent N5230C, Option 420	Checking VSWR
9. Power Splitter		Agilent 11667B	Adjusting signal generator output level
10. Power Combiner		Anritsu 2089-6208-00	Checking intermodulation distortion
11. Low Pass Filters (2)	< 3 dB loss DC -3 GHz >50 dB rejection 4 GHz to 14 GHz		Checking third order intermodulation distortion
12. Voltmeter	Capable of measuring 30 VDC	Standard Equipment	Checking Noise Source
13. BNC Cable	50 Ω , 36 in. male to male BNC connectors		Signal interconnection
14. 3.5 mm -3.5 mm Cable	50 Ω , 36 in. male to male 3.5 mm connectors		Signal interconnection
15. N-SMA Cable	50 Ω , 36 in. male N to male SMA connectors		Signal interconnection
16. Termination, Precision 50 Ω	Impedance: 50 Ω 3.5 mm male		Signal interconnection
17. N-Female to BNC male Adapter		Tektronix part number 103-0058-00	N cable to RSA5100A connections
18. 3.5 mm (F) to 3.5 mm (F) coaxial adapter		Tektronix part number 131-8508-00	
19. N-3.5mm cable	50 Ω , 36 in. male N to male 3.5 mm connectors		
20. N-Male to 3.5 mm male adapter			
21. 3.5 mm attenuator	3 dB (two required)	Midwest Microwave ATT-0550-03-35M-02	Checking third order intermodulation distortion

Table 62: Equipment required for Performance Verification (cont.)

Item number and	Minimum requirements	Example	Purpose
22. Planar Crown RF Input Connector - 3.5 mm (RSA5126A only)		Tektronix part number 131-9062-00	
23. Planar Crown RF Input Connector – Type N (RSA5115A only)		Tektronix part number 131-4329-00	

NOTE. *You may need more adaptors than come with the instrument.*

NOTE. *Always use the Planar Crown adaptor that comes with the RSA5115A/5126A instruments to connect to other equipment. Use a proper adaptor when connecting cables with a different connector type.*

NOTE. *Be sure that any adaptor and cable you use is specified to operate at the frequency range of the test you are performing.*

Preliminary Checks

These steps should be performed before proceeding to the Warranted Characteristics tests.

Fan Check Plug in the RSA5100A, power it on, and check that the fans located on the left side of the RSA5100A are operating.



CAUTION. *Turn the RSA5100A off immediately if the fans are not operating. Operating the Signal Analyzer without fans will damage the instrument.*

Warm-up Make sure the RSA5100A application is running, and allow the instrument to warm up for at least 20 minutes.

NOTE. *The fans will slow down and be quieter when the application is started; this is normal. Fan speed may vary while the application is running, depending on the internal temperature detected by the instrument.*

CD Drive Check Press the button on the DVD-R/W drive (Option 57 only) and verify that the tray door opens. Press the button again to close it.

Touch Screen Check Check that the touch screen detects touches:

1. Verify that the touch screen is enabled (**Touch Screen Off** button is not lighted).
2. Use your finger or a stylus to touch several of the on-screen touchable readouts, such as RBW or Span, and verify they become active when touched.

Diagnostics Run a complete Diagnostics test session:

1. Select **Tools > Diagnostics** from the menubar.
2. Select the **All Modules, All Tests** checkbox at the top of the list.
3. Touch the **RUN** button. The diagnostics tests will take some time to complete, and some of them are interactive:
 - a. Noise Source Drive 28VDC Out diagnostic will ask you to test the noise source output on the RSA5100A rear-panel.
 - Check with a voltmeter that the voltage is 28 V \pm 2 V.
 - b. The LED Check diagnostic will ask you to verify that all the highlighted LEDs are turned on:
 - Compare the LEDs highlighted in the diagnostic display with the buttons on the front panel.
 - Press each of the keys and rotate the knob on the front panel. You should see the corresponding key in the diagnostic display turn green. Verify that each key is recognized.
 - Click the PASS or FAIL button when done.
 - c. The Display Pixel Test will ask you to look for video problems on the test patterns:
 - Check the Green screen for any stuck or missing pixels. Any keypress, click, or touch will move to the next screen.
 - Repeat with the Red screen, the Blue Screen, and the Gray scale screen. Select Yes or No when the LCD Test dialog asks “Did you see any video problems”.
4. When all diagnostics tests have completed, check that there is a check mark beside each diagnostic name. An X instead of a check mark indicates that the diagnostic had a failure.

5. Click the **Diagnostics Failure** Info tab and verify there is no failure information listed.
6. Click the **Exit Diagnostics** button to exit diagnostics.

Alignment You should align the instrument before proceeding with the Warranted Characteristics tests.

1. Select **Alignments** in the **Tools** menu. The Alignments dialog box will open.
2. Select **Align Now**. The alignment process will take a few minutes.
3. Verify that no alignment failures are reported in the status bar.

Warranted Characteristics Tests

The following procedures verify the RSA5100A Series Signal Analyzer performance is within the warranted specifications.

Frequency Accuracy

Check Reference Output Frequency Accuracy

1. Connect **Ref Out** on the RSA5100A rear-panel through a 50 Ω precision coaxial cable to the frequency counter input. See the following figure.
2. Connect a precision frequency reference to the frequency counter.

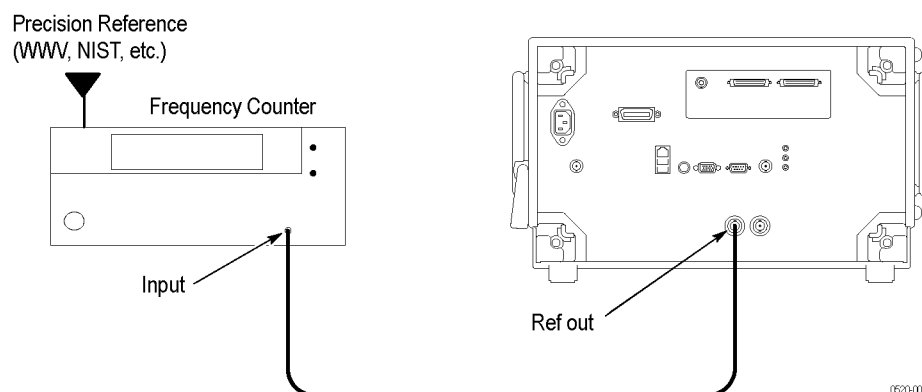


Figure 3: Connections for Reference Frequency Output Accuracy check

3. Set the Frequency counter:

Function	Frequency
Gate time	2 s

4. Check that the frequency counter reads 10 MHz \pm 4 Hz. Enter the frequency in the test record.

Check Reference Output Power Level

1. Set up the power meter and sensor.

NOTE. Store the power sensor correction factors in the power meter, if you have not yet done so.

- a. Connect the power sensor to the Sensor input on the power meter, as shown in the following figure.

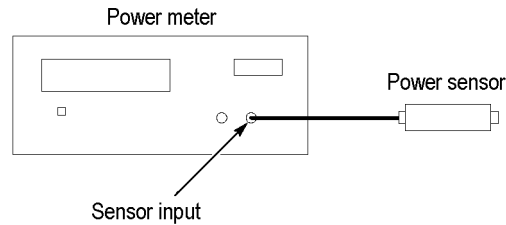


Figure 4: Power meter setup

- b. Press **Zero/Cal**, and then press **ZERO** on the power meter.
- c. Connect the RF input of the power sensor to the power meter power reference output, as shown in the following figure.

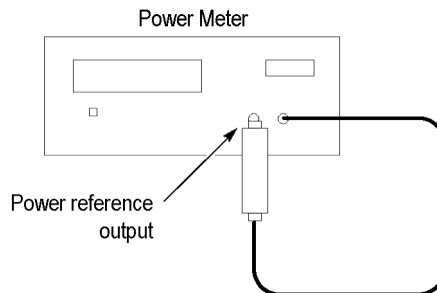


Figure 5: Power meter calibration

- d. Press **CAL** to execute the calibration.
 - e. Disconnect the RF input of the power sensor from the power meter reference output.
2. Connect the power sensor RF input to the Ref Out connector on the RSA5100A rear-panel, using the N-female to BNC male adapter (see the following figure).
 3. Press **Frequency/Cal Factor**, and then set **Freq** to 10 MHz.
 4. Check that the Ref Out signal is >0 dBm. Enter this level in the test record.

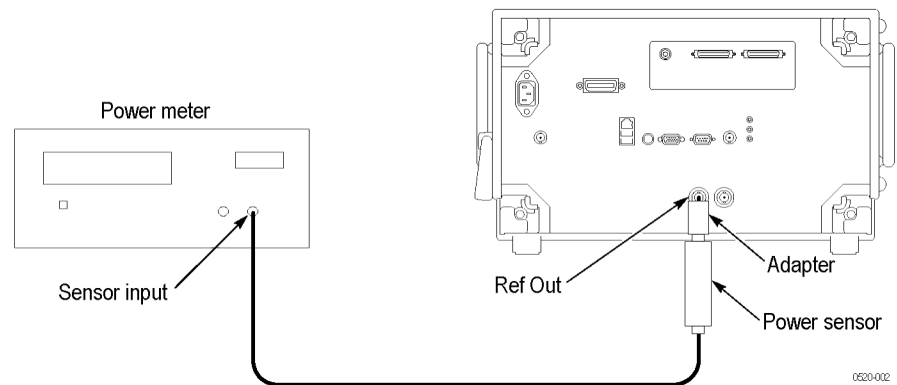


Figure 6: Equipment connections for Ref Out power level check

External Reference Input Level

1. Connect the signal generator output to the **Ref In** connector on the RSA5100A rear panel, using a 50 Ω N-N coaxial cable and N-female to BNC male adapter (see the following figure).

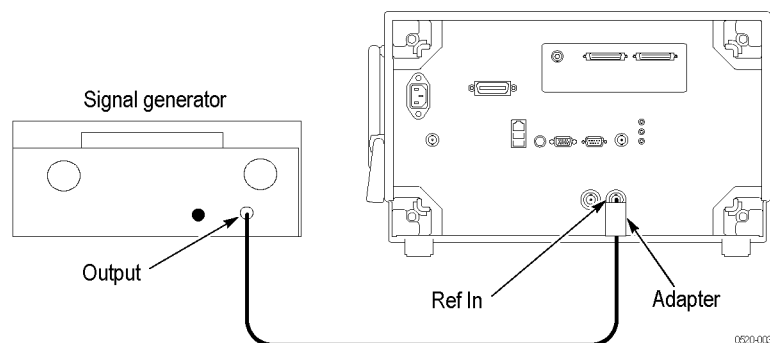


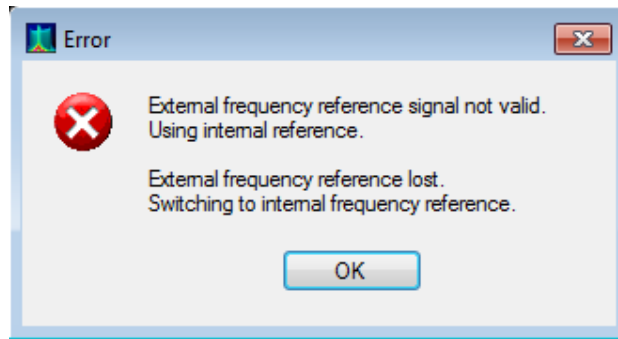
Figure 7: Equipment connections for Ref In power level check

2. Set the Signal generator controls:

Frequency	10 MHz
Level	0 dBm
RF	On

3. Set the RSA5100A to use the external reference:
 - a. Select **Setup > Configure In/Out > Frequency Reference**.
 - b. Select the **External** radio button.
4. Check the Input Reference limits:
 - a. Check that the Status Bar shows **Ref: Ext**.
 - b. Set the **Source** to **Internal (10 MHz)**.
 - c. Set the signal generator output level to -10 dBm.

- d. Set the **Source** to **External**.
- e. Check that the Status Bar shows **Ref: Ext**.
- f. Set the **Source** to **Internal (10 MHz)**.
- g. Set the signal generator output level to +6 dBm.
- h. Set the **Source** to **External**.
- i. Check that the Status Bar shows **Ref: Ext**.
- j. Disconnect the signal generator from the **Ref In** connector. An error message should pop up to indicate loss of lock (see the following figure).



- k. Click OK on the error message, and check that the Status Bar shows **Ref: Int**.
- l. Enter Pass or Fail in the test record.

Phase Noise (Instruments with Option 11)

If Option 11 is installed in your instrument, use the following procedure to check the phase noise. If Option 11 is not installed in your instrument, use the procedure (See page 66, *Phase Noise (Instruments without Option 11)*.) that follows.

NOTE. *The intent of the Phase Noise test is to measure the phase noise level of the instrument. The phase noise specification does not cover residual spurs. If the specific measurement frequency results in measuring a residual spur that is visible above the noise level, the phase noise specification applies not to the spur but to the noise level on either side of the spur. Please refer to the Spurious Response specifications. (See Table 19.) Also, refer to the Spurious Response section of this procedure to determine whether or not a residual spur is within the specification. (See page 114, Spurious Response.)*

1. Connect the generator output to the RTSA RF Input, using a 50 Ω coaxial cable (see the following figure).

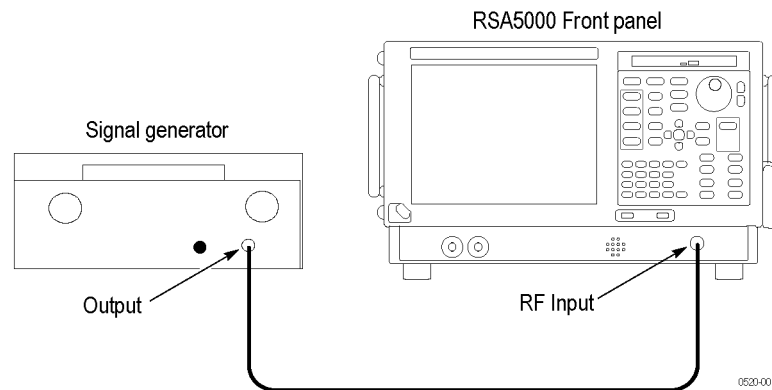


Figure 8: Equipment connections for phase noise checks

2. Reset the RSA5100A to factory defaults: select **Setup > Preset (Main)** from the **Setup** menu.
3. Select **Tools > Alignments** and then select **Align Now**.
4. Modify the default settings:

Center Frequency	1.00 GHz
Setup > Settings > Freq & Span > Center	
Span	1 MHz
Setup > Settings > Freq & Span > Span	
Ref Level	+5 dBm
Setup > Amplitude > Internal Settings > Ref Level	
RF & IF Optimization	Maximize Dynamic Range
Setup > Amplitude > Internal Settings > RF & IF Optimization	

5. Set the generator as follows:

Center Frequency	1.00 GHz
Output level	+5 dBm
RF	On

6. Select Run > Run Single to stop acquisitions.
7. Display the Phase Noise measurement:
 - Select **Setup > Displays**.
 - Select the **RF Measurements** folder.
 - Select the **Phase Noise** display and select **Add**.

- Select the **Spectrum** display and select **Remove**.
 - Select **OK**.
8. Select **Setup > Settings** to display the Phase Noise settings control panel.
 9. On the Frequency tab, set the Start Offset to 1 kHz for both the Measurement BW and the Integration BW.
 10. Set the Stop Offset to 10 MHz for both the Measurement BW and the Integration BW.
 11. Select the Parameters tab.
 12. Set the Average value to 20 and click the check box to enable averaging.
 13. Select the Traces tab.
 14. Select **Trace 2** in the Trace drop-down list. Deselect the **Show** checkbox so that Trace 2 is not be displayed.
 15. Select Trace 1 from the trace drop-down list above the graph display. Select the Marker readout on the left side of the graph. Set the Marker value to 6 MHz.
 16. Press the Single key and wait for 20 averages to complete.
 17. Read the value for the 6 MHz offset from the Offset readout.
 18. Document the test results in the test record at each frequency.

Phase Noise (Instruments without Option 11)

Check Phase Noise

If Option 11 is not installed in your instrument, use the following procedure to check the phase noise. If Option 11 is installed in your instrument, use the preceding (See page 64, *Phase Noise (Instruments with Option 11)*.) procedure.

NOTE. *The intent of the Phase Noise test is to measure the phase noise level of the instrument. The phase noise specification does not cover residual spurs. If the specific measurement frequency results in measuring a residual spur that is visible above the noise level, the phase noise specification applies not to the spur but to the noise level on either side of the spur. Please refer to the Spurious Response specifications. (See Table 19.) Also, refer to the Spurious Response section of this procedure to determine whether or not a residual spur is within the specification. (See page 114, Spurious Response.)*

1. Connect the generator output to the RTSA RF Input, using a 50 Ω coaxial cable (see the following figure).

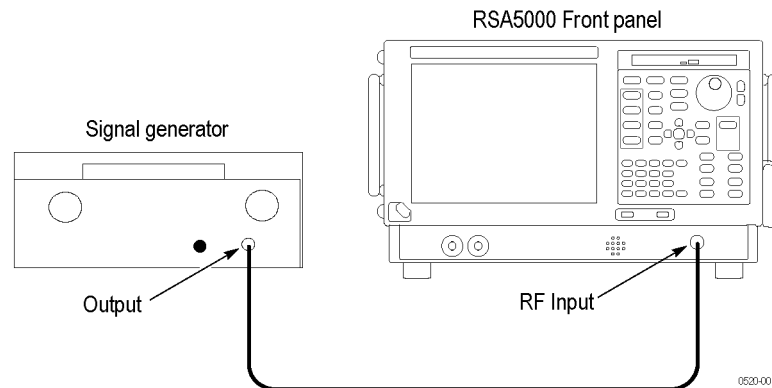


Figure 9: Equipment connections for phase noise checks

2. Reset the RSA5100A to factory defaults: Select Setup > **Preset (Main)** from the **Setup** menu.
3. Press Tools > Alignments and then select Align Now.
4. Modify the settings:

Center Frequency	1.00 GHz
Setup > Settings > Freq & Span > Center	
Span	1 MHz
Setup > Settings > Freq & Span > Span	
VBW	10 Hz (box checked)
Setup > Settings > BW > VBW	
Detection	Avg (VRMS)
Setup > Settings > Traces > Detection	
Function	Avg (VRMS)
Setup > Settings > Traces > Function	
Count	100 (box checked)
Setup > Settings > Traces > Count	
Trace Points	2401
Setup > Settings > Prefs > Trace Points	
Marker Noise Mode	Check Marker Noise mode box
Setup > Settings > Prefs > Marker Noise Mode	
RF & IF Optimization	Maximize Dynamic Range
Setup > Amplitude > Internal Settings > RF & IF Optimization	
Reference level	+5 dBm
Setup > Amplitude > Internal Settings > Ref Level	

5. Set the generator as follows:

Frequency	1.00 GHz
Output level	+5 dBm
RF	On

6. Turn on the Reference Marker (MR) and Marker 1 (M1), and set them for Delta operation and Noise Mode.

- a. Select **Markers > Define Markers**.
- b. Select the **Add** soft key to add the MR marker.
- c. Select the **Add** soft key again to add the M1 marker.
- d. Select **Delta** from the **Readouts** dropdown menu.

7. For each span shown in the following table, perform steps through :

Table 63: Phase noise offsets (Low range; without Option 11)

Span	M1 Offset
4 kHz	CF + 1 kHz
40 kHz	CF + 10 kHz
300 kHz	CF + 100 kHz

- a. Press the **Span** key and enter a Span value from the table.
 - b. Select **Run > Run Single**.
 - c. Select the Reference Marker with the Marker Select key and press the Peak key.
 - d. Select Marker 1 (M1) with the marker select key.
 - e. Set the Marker 1 (M1) frequency by entering the offset value from the table above in the Frequency box at the bottom center of the display.
 - f. Read the marker noise level in dBc/Hz, in the Delta Marker readout (upper right corner of the screen), and enter the value in the test record. (Limits are shown in the test record.)
8. Record the generator signal amplitude in the Test Record:
- a. Select Marker (MR) with the Marker Select key.
 - b. Select the Markers Peak key to center the MR marker on the peak of the 1000 MHz signal.
 - c. Record the MR Marker amplitude (upper-left corner of the screen.) This value is called **Carrier Power** and is used below.

9. Obtain the phase noise at 1 MHz offset. Start by setting the RSA5100A to the settings listed below:
 - a. Center Frequency (Freq key): 1001 MHz
 - b. Span (Span key): 10 kHz
 - c. Reference Level Offset: -30 dBm (This is the amplitude control in the upper left of the display.)
 - d. Set input attenuation for manual control.
 - Select **Setup > Amplitude > Internal Settings**.
 - Deselect the Internal Attenuator **Auto** check box.
 - Set **Internal Attenuator** to 0 dB.
 - a. Select **Run > Run Single**.
 - b. Center the M1 marker in the middle of the screen:
 - Select **Markers > Define Markers**
 - Select **Readouts > Absolute**.
 - Press the **Select** key to select the **M1** marker.
 - Select **Marker Frequency**. Set to 1001 MHz.

The marker is now located at the center frequency position.
 - a. Read the noise amplitude on Marker **M1**, in dBm/Hz.
 - b. Subtract the value of **MR** obtained in step 8 to obtain the phase noise amplitude at 1 MHz.

For example, if $MR = 4.7$ dBm and $M1 = -129.6$ dBm/Hz, then $M1 - MR = -134.3$ dBc/Hz.
 - c. Enter the value obtained at 1 MHz in the test record for phase noise at 1 MHz.
10. Obtain the phase noise at 6 MHz offset. Start by setting the RSA5100A to the settings listed below:
 - a. Center Frequency (Freq key): 1006 MHz.
 - b. Span (Span key): 10 kHz.
 - c. Select **Run > Run Single**.
 - d. Set the Marker M1 Frequency to 1006 MHz.
 - e. Read the noise level on Marker **M1** in dBm/Hz.
 - f. Subtract the value of Carrier Power obtained in step 8 in order to obtain the phase noise amplitude at +6 MHz.

RF Input

Input VSWR (Preamp OFF)

1. Connect the RSA5100A and the Network Analyzer as shown in the following figure.

NOTE. Verify that the network analyzer is properly calibrated, as specified by the manufacturer, before taking measurements on the RSA5100A.

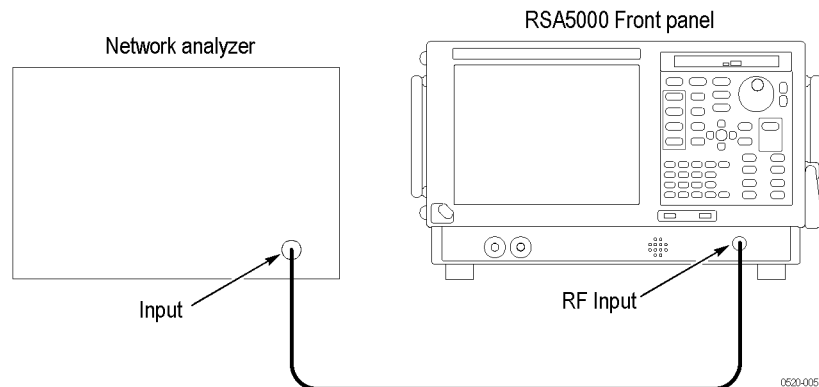


Figure 10: Equipment connections for VSWR check

2. Reset the RSA5100A to factory defaults: select **Setup > Preset (Main)**.
3. Select **Setup > Amplitude > Internal Settings**. Deselect the **Auto** check box and set the **Internal Attenuator** value to 10 dB.
4. Set up the Network Analyzer as follows:
 - a. Preset.
 - b. Calibration > Cal Set > [select appropriate Cal Set] > OK.
 - c. Trace > Format > SWR > OK
 - d. Scale > Scale > Per Division > 100 mUnits > OK.
 - e. Set Span (F4) to 100 MHz.
5. Set the Center frequency of the RSA5100A analyzer to each frequency in the VSWR test frequencies tables that follow as they apply to the device-under-test. Set the Network Analyzer center frequency [Start/Center > Center (F3)] to the same frequency. Press Marker Search > MAX (F1) and record the value in the table.
6. Enter the highest VSWR in the table in the test record.

Table 64: RSA5103A VSWR test frequencies (MHz)

60	560	1060	1560	2060	2560
160	660	1160	1660	2160	2660

Table 64: RSA5103A VSWR test frequencies (MHz) (cont.)

260	760	1260	1760	2260	2760
360	860	1360	1860	2360	2860
460	960	1460	1960	2460	2960

Table 65: RSA5106A VSWR test frequencies (MHz)

60	1060	2160	3260	4360	5460
160	1160	2260	3360	4460	5560
260	1260	2360	3460	4560	5660
360	1360	2460	3560	4660	5760
460	1460	2560	3660	4760	5860
560	1560	2660	3760	4860	5960
560	1660	2760	3860	4960	6060
660	1760	2860	3960	5060	6160
760	1860	2960	4060	5160	
860	1960	3060	4160	5260	
960	2060	3160	4260	5360	

Table 66: RSA5115A and RSA5126A VSWR test frequencies (MHz)

60	2260	4460	6660	8860	11060	13260
160	2360	4560	6760	8960	11160	13360
260	2460	4660	6860	9060	11260	13460
360	2560	4760	6960	9160	11360	13560
460	2660	4860	7060	9260	11460	13660
560	2760	4960	7160	9360	11560	13760
660	2860	5060	7260	9460	11660	13860
760	2960	5160	7360	9560	11760	13960
860	3060	5260	7460	9660	11860	14060
960	3160	5360	7560	9760	11960	14160
1060	3260	5460	7660	9860	12060	14260
1160	3360	5560	7760	9960	12160	14360
1260	3460	5660	7860	10060	12260	14460
1360	3560	5760	7960	10160	12360	14560
1460	3660	5860	8060	10260	12460	14660
1560	3760	5960	8160	10360	12560	14760
1660	3860	6060	8260	10460	12660	14860
1760	3960	6160	8360	10560	12760	14960
1860	4060	6260	8460	10660	12860	
1960	4160	6360	8560	10760	12960	

Table 66: RSA5115A and RSA5126A VSWR test frequencies (MHz) (cont.)

2060	4260	6460	8660	10860	13060
2160	4360	6560	8760	10960	13160

Table 67: RSA5126A VSWR test frequencies (GHz)

15.05	16.75	18.45	20.15	21.85	23.55	25.25
15.15	16.85	18.55	20.25	21.95	23.65	25.35
15.25	16.95	18.65	20.35	22.05	23.75	25.45
15.35	17.05	18.75	20.45	22.15	23.85	25.55
15.45	17.15	18.85	20.55	22.25	23.95	25.65
15.55	17.25	18.95	20.65	22.35	24.05	25.75
15.65	17.35	19.05	20.75	22.45	24.15	25.85
15.75	17.45	19.15	20.85	22.55	24.25	25.95
16.85	17.55	19.25	20.95	22.65	24.35	26.05
16.95	17.65	19.35	21.05	22.75	24.45	26.15
16.05	17.75	19.45	21.15	22.85	24.55	26.25
16.15	17.85	19.55	21.25	22.95	24.65	26.35
16.25	17.95	19.65	21.35	23.05	24.75	26.45
16.35	18.05	19.75	21.45	23.15	24.85	
16.45	18.15	19.85	21.55	23.25	24.95	
16.55	18.25	19.95	21.65	23.35	25.05	
16.65	18.35	20.05	21.75	23.45	25.15	

Input VSWR (Preamp ON - Option 50 Only)

1. Reset the RSA5100A to factory defaults: select **Setup > Preset (Main)**.
2. Select **Setup > Amplitude > Internal Settings**. Deselect the **Auto** check box and set the Internal Attenuator to 10 dB.
3. Select **Setup > Amplitude > Internal Settings**. Select the **Internal Preamp** check box.
4. Set up the Network Analyzer as follows:
 - Preset.
 - Calibration > Cal Set > [select appropriate Cal set] > OK.
 - Trace > Format > SWR > OK.
 - Scale > Scale > Per Division > 100 mUnits > OK.
 - Set Span (F4) to 100 MHz.
5. Set the Center frequency of the RSA5100A analyzer to each frequency in the VSWR Preamp On Test Frequencies tables that follow as they

apply to the device-under-test. Set the Network Analyzer center frequency [Start/Center > Center (F3)] to the same frequency. Press Marker Search > MAX (F1) and record the value in the table.

Table 68: RSA5103A VSWR Preamp On test frequencies (MHz)

60	560	1060	1560	2060	2560
160	660	1160	1660	2160	2660
260	760	1260	1760	2260	2760
360	860	1360	1860	2360	2860
460	960	1460	1960	2460	2960

Table 69: RSA5106A VSWR Preamp On test frequencies (MHz)

60	1060	2160	3260	4360	5460
160	1160	2260	3360	4460	5560
260	1260	2360	3460	4560	5660
360	1360	2460	3560	4660	5760
460	1460	2560	3660	4760	5860
560	1560	2660	3760	4860	5960
560	1660	2760	3860	4960	6060
660	1760	2860	3960	5060	6160
760	1860	2960	4060	5160	
860	1960	3060	4160	5260	
960	2060	3160	4260	5360	

Table 70: RSA5115A and RSA5126A VSWR Preamp On test frequencies (MHz)

60	2260	4460	6660	8860	11060	13260
160	2360	4560	6760	8960	11160	13360
260	2460	4660	6860	9060	11260	13460
360	2560	4760	6960	9160	11360	13560
460	2660	4860	7060	9260	11460	13660
560	2760	4960	7160	9360	11560	13760
660	2860	5060	7260	9460	11660	13860
760	2960	5160	7360	9560	11760	13960
860	3060	5260	7460	9660	11860	14060
960	3160	5360	7560	9760	11960	14160
1060	3260	5460	7660	9860	12060	14260
1160	3360	5560	7760	9960	12160	14360
1260	3460	5660	7860	10060	12260	14460
1360	3560	5760	7960	10160	12360	14560

Table 70: RSA5115A and RSA5126A VSWR Preamp On test frequencies (MHz) (cont.)

1460	3660	5860	8060	10260	12460	14660
1560	3760	5960	8160	10360	12560	14760
1660	3860	6060	8260	10460	12660	14860
1760	3960	6160	8360	10560	12760	14960
1860	4060	6260	8460	10660	12860	
1960	4160	6360	8560	10760	12960	
2060	4260	6460	8660	10860	13060	
2160	4360	6560	8760	10960	13160	

Table 71: RSA5126A VSWR Preamp On test frequencies (GHz)

15.05	16.75	18.45	20.15	21.85	23.55	25.25
15.15	16.85	18.55	20.25	21.95	23.65	25.35
15.25	16.95	18.65	20.35	22.05	23.75	25.45
15.35	17.05	18.75	20.45	22.15	23.85	25.55
15.45	17.15	18.85	20.55	22.25	23.95	25.65
15.55	17.25	18.95	20.65	22.35	24.05	25.75
15.65	17.35	19.05	20.75	22.45	24.15	25.85
15.75	17.45	19.15	20.85	22.55	24.25	25.95
16.85	17.55	19.25	20.95	22.65	24.35	26.05
16.95	17.65	19.35	21.05	22.75	24.45	26.15
16.05	17.75	19.45	21.15	22.85	24.55	26.25
16.15	17.85	19.55	21.25	22.95	24.65	26.35
16.25	17.95	19.65	21.35	23.05	24.75	26.45
16.35	18.05	19.75	21.45	23.15	24.85	
16.45	18.15	19.85	21.55	23.25	24.95	
16.55	18.25	19.95	21.65	23.35	25.05	
16.65	18.35	20.05	21.75	23.45	25.15	

6. Enter the highest VSWR in the tables that apply to the device-under-test in the test record.

Amplitude

RF Flatness (Frequency Response) 10 MHz to 26.5 GHz

1. Connect the RF generator, power splitter, power meter, and RSA5100A, as shown in the following figure.

The power splitter outputs should connect directly to the RSA5100A RF Input and to the Power Sensor, without using cables.

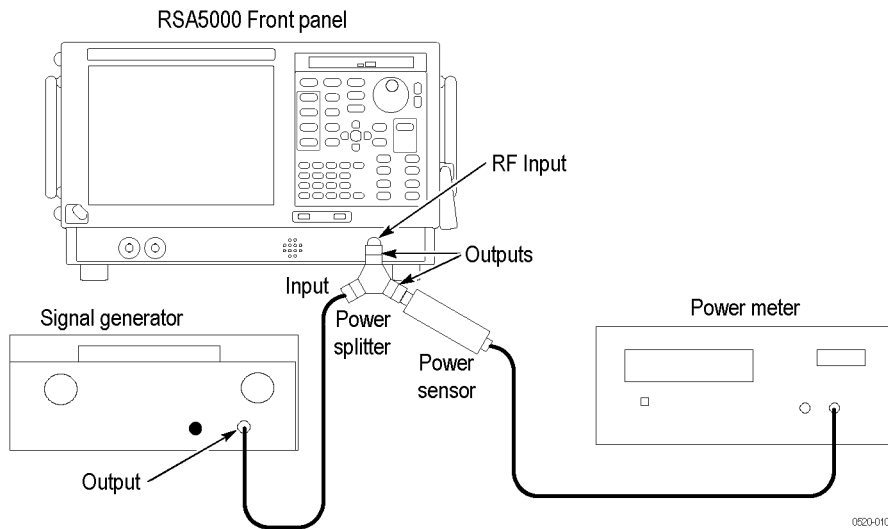


Figure 11: Equipment connections for RF flatness check

2. To record the test readings, you can make a printout of the following table. (See Table 74.)
3. Reset the RSA5100A to factory defaults: Setup > Preset (Main).
4. Select **Tools > Alignments** and then select **Align Now**.
5. Set the RSA5100A as follows:

Ref Level	-15 dBm
Setup > Amplitude > Internal Settings > Ref Level	
Internal Attenuator	10 dB (Auto unchecked)
Setup > Amplitude > Internal Settings > Internal Attenuator	
Span	1 MHz
Setup > Settings > Freq & Span > Span	
LF Path	Use Low Freq... box unchecked
Setup > Acquire > Input Params	

6. Set the RF signal generator for a -14 dBm output amplitude and turn RF On.

7. Set both the RF signal generator output frequency and the RSA5100A Center Frequency to the first frequency in the RF Flatness table that follows. This is the reference frequency. (See Table 74.)
8. Select the Markers Peak key to set the Reference Marker (MR) to the carrier peak.
9. Adjust the RF signal generator output level for a marker reading of -20 ± 0.5 dBm.
10. Record the Power Meter reading and the RSA5100A marker reading in the following table.
11. Set both the RF Generator output frequency and the RSA5100A center frequency to the next frequency in the table.
12. Press the **Markers Peak** key to set the Reference Marker (MR) to the carrier peak.
13. Calculate the Δ Power Meter number: subtract the Power meter reading at 100 MHz from the Power Meter reading at this frequency.
14. Calculate the Δ RTSA number: subtract the RTSA reading at 100 MHz from the RTSA reading at this frequency.
15. Calculate the RF Flatness Error:

$$RF\ Flatness\ Error = \Delta RTSA\ at\ this\ freq - \Delta Power\ Meter\ at\ this\ freq$$
 Readings are in dBm, error is in dB.
16. Repeat items 11 through 15 for each of the center frequencies shown in the RF Flatness table up to the maximum bandwidth of the device-under-test. (See Table 74.)

Table 72: RF Flatness (Preamp OFF)

Attenuator = 10 dB

Frequency	Power meter reading	Δ Power meter (vs. 100 MHz)	RTSA reading	Δ RTSA reading (vs. 100 MHz)	RF flatness error ¹
100 MHz		0		0	0
10 MHz					
20 MHz					
30 MHz					
40 MHz					
50 MHz					
60 MHz					
70 MHz					
80 MHz					
90 MHz					

Table 72: RF Flatness (Preamp OFF) (cont.)

Attenuator = 10 dB

Frequency	Power meter reading	Δ Power meter (vs. 100 MHz)	RTSA reading	Δ RTSA reading (vs. 100 MHz)	RF flatness error ¹
200 MHz					
300 MHz					
400 MHz					
500 MHz					
600 MHz					
700 MHz					
800 MHz					
900 MHz					
1.0 GHz					
1.1 GHz					
1.2 GHz					
1.3 GHz					
1.4 GHz					
1.5 GHz					
1.6 GHz					
1.7 GHz					
1.8 GHz					
1.9 GHz					
2.0 GHz					
2.1 GHz					
2.2 GHz					
2.3 GHz					
2.4 GHz					
2.5 GHz					
2.6 GHz					
2.7 GHz					
2.8 GHz					
2.9 GHz					
3.0 GHz					
RSA5106A/5115A/5126A only					
3.1 GHz					
3.2 GHz					
3.3 GHz					
3.4 GHz					
3.5 GHz					

Table 72: RF Flatness (Preamp OFF) (cont.)

Attenuator = 10 dB

Frequency	Power meter reading	Δ Power meter (vs. 100 MHz)	RTSA reading	Δ RTSA reading (vs. 100 MHz)	RF flatness error ¹
3.6 GHz					
3.7 GHz					
3.8 GHz					
3.9 GHz					
4.0 GHz					
4.1 GHz					
4.2 GHz					
4.3 GHz					
4.4 GHz					
4.5 GHz					
4.6 GHz					
4.7 GHz					
4.8 GHz					
4.9 GHz					
5.0 GHz					
5.1 GHz					
5.2 GHz					
5.3 GHz					
5.4 GHz					
5.5 GHz					
5.6 GHz					
5.7 GHz					
5.8 GHz					
5.9 GHz					
6.0 GHz					
6.1 GHz					
6.2 GHz					
RSA5115A/5126A only					
6.3 GHz					
6.4 GHz					
6.5 GHz					
6.6 GHz					
6.7 GHz					
6.8 GHz					
6.9 GHz					

Table 72: RF Flatness (Preamp OFF) (cont.)

Attenuator = 10 dB

Frequency	Power meter reading	Δ Power meter (vs. 100 MHz)	RTSA reading	Δ RTSA reading (vs. 100 MHz)	RF flatness error ¹
7.0 GHz					
7.1 GHz					
7.2 GHz					
7.3 GHz					
7.4 GHz					
7.5 GHz					
7.6 GHz					
7.7 GHz					
7.8 GHz					
7.9 GHz					
8.0 GHz					
8.1 GHz					
8.2 GHz					
8.3 GHz					
8.4 GHz					
8.5 GHz					
8.6 GHz					
8.7 GHz					
8.8 GHz					
8.9 GHz					
9.0 GHz					
9.1 GHz					
9.2 GHz					
9.3 GHz					
9.4 GHz					
9.5 GHz					
9.6 GHz					
9.7 GHz					
9.8 GHz					
9.9 GHz					
10.0 GHz					
10.1 GHz					
10.2 GHz					
10.3 GHz					
10.4 GHz					

Table 72: RF Flatness (Preamp OFF) (cont.)

Attenuator = 10 dB

Frequency	Power meter reading	Δ Power meter (vs. 100 MHz)	RTSA reading	Δ RTSA reading (vs. 100 MHz)	RF flatness error ¹
10.5 GHz					
10.6 GHz					
10.7 GHz					
10.8 GHz					
10.9 GHz					
11.0 GHz					
11.1 GHz					
11.2 GHz					
11.3 GHz					
11.4 GHz					
11.5 GHz					
11.6 GHz					
11.7 GHz					
11.8 GHz					
11.9 GHz					
12.0 GHz					
12.1 GHz					
12.2 GHz					
12.3 GHz					
12.4 GHz					
12.5 GHz					
12.6 GHz					
12.7 GHz					
12.8 GHz					
12.9 GHz					
12.0 GHz					
12.1 GHz					
12.2 GHz					
12.3 GHz					
12.4 GHz					
12.5 GHz					
12.6 GHz					
12.7 GHz					
12.8 GHz					
12.9 GHz					

Table 72: RF Flatness (Preamp OFF) (cont.)

Attenuator = 10 dB

Frequency	Power meter reading	Δ Power meter (vs. 100 MHz)	RTSA reading	Δ RTSA reading (vs. 100 MHz)	RF flatness error ¹
13.0 GHz					
13.1 GHz					
13.2 GHz					
13.3 GHz					
13.4 GHz					
13.5 GHz					
13.6 GHz					
13.7 GHz					
13.8 GHz					
13.9 GHz					
14.0 GHz					
14.1 GHz					
14.2 GHz					
14.3 GHz					
14.0 GHz					
14.1 GHz					
14.2 GHz					
14.3 GHz					
14.4 GHz					
14.5 GHz					
14.6 GHz					
14.7 GHz					
14.8 GHz					
14.9 GHz					
15.0 GHz					
RSA5126A only					
15.1 GHz					
15.2 GHz					
15.3 GHz					
15.4 GHz					
15.5 GHz					
15.6 GHz					
15.7 GHz					
15.8 GHz					
15.9 GHz					

Table 72: RF Flatness (Preamp OFF) (cont.)

Attenuator = 10 dB

Frequency	Power meter reading	Δ Power meter (vs. 100 MHz)	RTSA reading	Δ RTSA reading (vs. 100 MHz)	RF flatness error ¹
16.0 GHz					
16.1 GHz					
16.2 GHz					
16.3 GHz					
16.4 GHz					
16.5 GHz					
16.6 GHz					
16.7 GHz					
16.8 GHz					
16.9 GHz					
17.0 GHz					
17.1 GHz					
17.2 GHz					
17.3 GHz					
17.4 GHz					
17.5 GHz					
17.6 GHz					
17.7 GHz					
17.8 GHz					
17.9 GHz					
18.0 GHz					
18.1 GHz					
18.2 GHz					
18.3 GHz					
18.4 GHz					
18.5 GHz					
18.6 GHz					
18.7 GHz					
18.8 GHz					
18.9 GHz					
19.0 GHz					
19.1 GHz					
19.2 GHz					
19.3 GHz					
19.4 GHz					

Table 72: RF Flatness (Preamp OFF) (cont.)

Attenuator = 10 dB

Frequency	Power meter reading	Δ Power meter (vs. 100 MHz)	RTSA reading	Δ RTSA reading (vs. 100 MHz)	RF flatness error¹
19.5 GHz					
19.6 GHz					
19.7 GHz					
19.8 GHz					
19.9 GHz					
20.0 GHz					
20.1 GHz					
20.2 GHz					
20.3 GHz					
20.4 GHz					
20.5 GHz					
20.6 GHz					
20.7 GHz					
20.8 GHz					
20.9 GHz					
21.0 GHz					
21.1 GHz					
21.2 GHz					
21.3 GHz					
21.4 GHz					
21.5 GHz					
21.6 GHz					
21.7 GHz					
21.8 GHz					
21.9 GHz					
22.0 GHz					
22.1 GHz					
22.2 GHz					
22.3 GHz					
22.4 GHz					
22.5 GHz					
22.6 GHz					
22.7 GHz					
22.8 GHz					
22.9 GHz					

Table 72: RF Flatness (Preamp OFF) (cont.)

Attenuator = 10 dB

Frequency	Power meter reading	Δ Power meter (vs. 100 MHz)	RTSA reading	Δ RTSA reading (vs. 100 MHz)	RF flatness error ¹
23.0 GHz					
23.1 GHz					
23.2 GHz					
23.3 GHz					
23.4 GHz					
23.5 GHz					
23.6 GHz					
23.7 GHz					
23.8 GHz					
23.9 GHz					
24.0 GHz					
24.1 GHz					
24.2 GHz					
24.3 GHz					
24.4 GHz					
24.5 GHz					
24.6 GHz					
24.7 GHz					
24.8 GHz					
24.9 GHz					
25.0 GHz					
25.1 GHz					
25.2 GHz					
25.3 GHz					
25.4 GHz					
25.5 GHz					
25.6 GHz					
25.7 GHz					
25.8 GHz					
25.9 GHz					
26.0 GHz					
26.1 GHz					
26.2 GHz					
26.3 GHz					

Table 72: RF Flatness (Preamp OFF) (cont.)

Attenuator = 10 dB

Frequency	Power meter reading	Δ Power meter (vs. 100 MHz)	RTSA reading	Δ RTSA reading (vs. 100 MHz)	RF flatness error ¹
26.4 GHz					
26.5 GHz					

¹ Use the formula in Step 15

17. Enter the largest variation in each of the following frequency ranges into the test record:

10 MHz - 3 GHz (Preamp Off)

3 GHz - 6.2 GHz (Preamp Off, RSA5106A/5115A/5126A only)

6.2 GHz - 15 GHz (Preamp Off, RSA5115A/5126A only)

15 GHz - 26.5 GHz (Preamp Off, RSA5126A only)

Low Frequency (LF) Input Path Accuracy

1. Connect the RF generator, power splitter, power meter, and RSA5100A, as shown in the following figure.

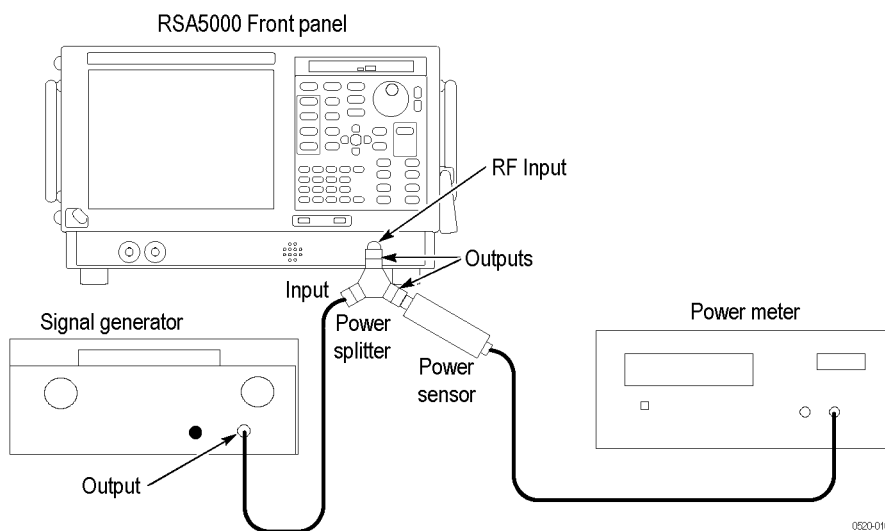


Figure 12: Equipment connections for Low Frequency (LF) input path accuracy check

2. The power splitter outputs should connect directly to the RSA5100A RF Input and to the Power Sensor, without using cables.
3. Reset the RSA5100A to factory defaults; select **Setup > Preset (Main)**.
4. Select **Tools > Alignments** and then select **Align Now**.
5. Set the RSA5100A as follows:

Ref Level	-15 dBm
Setup > Amplitude > Internal Settings > Ref Level	
Internal Attenuator	10 dB (Auto unchecked)
Setup > Amplitude > Internal Settings	
Span	1 MHz
Setup > Settings > Freq & Span > Span	
LF Path	Use Low Freq box checked
Setup > Acquire > Input Params	

6. Set the RF generator for a -14 dBm output amplitude and turn RF On.
7. Set both the RF signal generator output frequency and the RSA5100A Center Frequency to the first frequency shown in the table *Low Frequency Input Path Flatness (Preamp Off, if installed)* (See Table 73.). This is the reference frequency.
8. Select the **Markers Peak** key to set the Reference Marker (MR) to the carrier peak.
9. Adjust the RF signal generator output level for a marker reading of -20 ± 0.5 dBm.
10. Record the Power Meter reading and the RSA5100A marker reading in the following table.
11. Set both the RF generator output frequency and the RSA5100A Center Frequency to the next frequency in the table.
12. Select the **Markers Peak** key to set the Reference Marker (MR) to the carrier peak.
13. Record the Power Meter reading and the RSA5100A marker reading in the following table.
14. Calculate the Δ Power Meter number: subtract the Power Meter reading at 10 MHz from the Power Meter reading at this frequency.
15. Calculate the Δ RTSA number: subtract the RTSA reading at 10 MHz from the RTSA reading at this frequency.
16. Calculate the RF Flatness Error:

$$RF \text{ Flatness Error} = \Delta \text{ RTSA at this freq} - \Delta \text{ Power Meter at this freq}$$
 Readings are in dBm, error is in dB.
17. Repeat parts 11 through 16 for each of the center frequencies shown in the following table.

Table 73: Low Frequency input path flatness

Attenuator = 10 dB

Frequency	Power meter reading	Δ Power meter (vs. 10 MHz)	RTSA reading	Δ RTSA reading (vs. 10 MHz)	RF flatness error ¹
10 MHz		0		0	0
11 MHz					
12 MHz					
13 MHz					
14 MHz					
15 MHz					
16 MHz					
17 MHz					
18 MHz					
19 MHz					
20 MHz					
21 MHz					
22 MHz					
23 MHz					
24 MHz					
25 MHz					
26 MHz					
27 MHz					
28 MHz					
29 MHz					
30 MHz					
31 MHz					
31.49 MHz					

¹ Use the formula in Step 16

18. Enter the largest variation in each of the following frequency range into the test record:

10 MHz - 32 MHz

RF Flatness (Frequency Response) 10 MHz to 26.5 GHz, Preamp On (Option 50/51 Installed)

1. Connect the RF generator, power splitter, power meter, and RSA5100A, as shown in the following figure. The 30 dB attenuator is connected between the power splitter and the RSA5100A RF input connector.

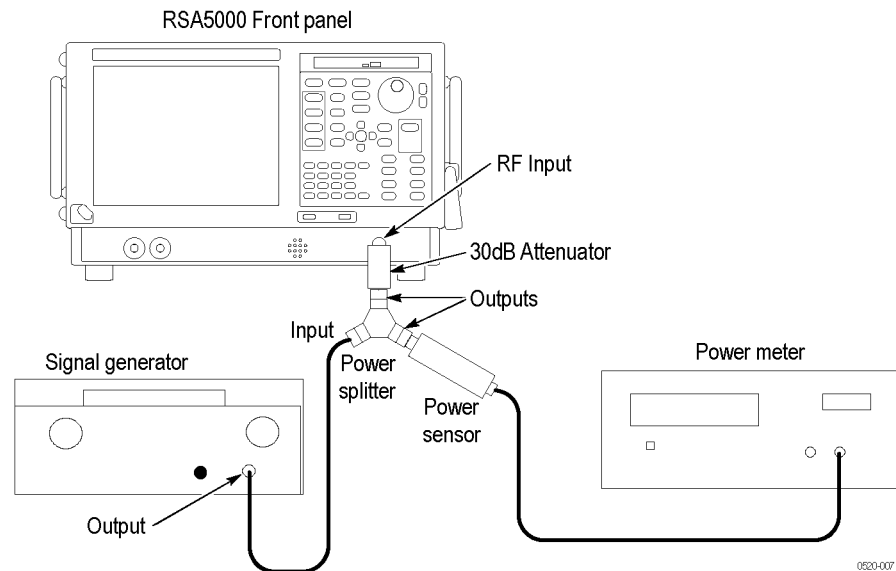


Figure 13: Equipment connections for RF Flatness (Frequency Response) 10 MHz to 26.5 GHz check

2. Reset the RSA5100A to factory defaults: select **Setup > Preset (Main)**.
3. Select **Tools > Alignments** and then select **Align Now**.
4. Set the RSA5100A as follows:

Ref Level	-45 dBm
Setup > Amplitude > Internal Settings > Ref Level	
Internal Attenuator	10 dB (Auto unchecked)
Setup > Amplitude > Internal Attenuator	
Internal Preamp	Internal Preamp box checked
Setup > Amplitude > Internal Settings	
Span	1 MHz
Setup > Settings > Freq & Span > Span	
LF Path	Use Low Freq Signal path box unchecked
Setup > Acquire > Input Params	

5. Set the RF generator for a -14 dBm output amplitude and turn RF On.
6. Set both the RF signal generator output frequency and the RSA5100A Center Frequency to the first frequency shown in the table *RF Flatness (Option 50 Preamp ON)* (See Table 74.). This is the reference frequency.

7. Select the **Markers Peak** key to set the Reference Marker (MR) to the carrier peak.
8. Record the Power Meter reading and the RSA5100A marker reading in the following table.
9. Set both the RF generator output frequency and the RSA5100A Center Frequency to the next frequency in the table.
10. Select the **Markers Peak** key to set the Reference Marker (MR) to the carrier peak.
11. Calculate the Δ Power Meter number: subtract the Power Meter reading at 100 MHz from the Power Meter reading at this frequency.
12. Calculate the Δ RTSA number: subtract the RTSA reading at 100 MHz from the RTSA reading at this frequency.
13. Calculate the RF Flatness Error:

RF Flatness Error = Δ RTSA at this freq - Δ Power Meter at this freq + delta 30 dB attenuator at this frequency

Readings are in dBm and error is in dB.
14. Repeat steps 9 through 13 for each of the center frequencies shown in the following table.

Table 74: RF flatness (Option 50/51 Preamp ON)

Attenuator = 10 dB

Frequency	Power meter reading	Δ Power meter (vs. 100 MHz)	RTSA reading (vs. 100 MHz)	30 dB attenuator	Δ 30 dB attenuator	RF flatness error ¹
100 MHz		0		0	0	
10 MHz						
20 MHz						
30 MHz						
40 MHz						
50 MHz						
60 MHz						
70 MHz						
80 MHz						
90 MHz						
200 MHz						
300 MHz						
400 MHz						
500 MHz						
600 MHz						

Table 74: RF flatness (Option 50/51 Preamp ON) (cont.)

Attenuator = 10 dB

Frequency	Power meter reading	Δ Power meter (vs. 100 MHz)	RTSA reading (vs. 100 MHz)	30 dB attenuator	Δ 30 dB attenuator	RF flatness error ¹
700 MHz						
800 MHz						
900 MHz						
1.0 GHz						
1.1 GHz						
1.2 GHz						
1.3 GHz						
1.4 GHz						
1.5 GHz						
1.6 GHz						
1.7 GHz						
1.8 GHz						
1.9 GHz						
2.0 GHz						
2.1 GHz						
2.2 GHz						
2.3 GHz						
2.4 GHz						
2.5 GHz						
2.6 GHz						
2.7 GHz						
2.8 GHz						
2.9 GHz						
3.0 GHz						
RSA5106A/5115A/5126A only						
3.1 GHz						
3.2 GHz						
3.3 GHz						
3.4 GHz						
3.5 GHz						
3.6 GHz						
3.7 GHz						
3.8 GHz						
3.9 GHz						

Table 74: RF flatness (Option 50/51 Preamp ON) (cont.)

Attenuator = 10 dB

Frequency	Power meter reading	Δ Power meter (vs. 100 MHz)	RTSA reading (vs. 100 MHz)	30 dB attenuator	Δ 30 dB attenuator	RF flatness error ¹
4.0 GHz						
4.1 GHz						
4.2 GHz						
4.3 GHz						
4.4 GHz						
4.5 GHz						
4.6 GHz						
4.7 GHz						
4.8 GHz						
4.9 GHz						
5.0 GHz						
5.1 GHz						
5.2 GHz						
5.3 GHz						
5.4 GHz						
5.5 GHz						
5.6 GHz						
5.7 GHz						
5.8 GHz						
5.9 GHz						
6.0 GHz						
6.1 GHz						
6.2 GHz						
RSA5115A/5126A only						
6.3 GHz						
6.4 GHz						
6.5 GHz						
6.6 GHz						
6.7 GHz						
6.8 GHz						
6.9 GHz						
7.0 GHz						
7.1 GHz						
7.2 GHz						

Table 74: RF flatness (Option 50/51 Preamp ON) (cont.)

Attenuator = 10 dB

Frequency	Power meter reading	Δ Power meter (vs. 100 MHz)	RTSA reading (vs. 100 MHz)	30 dB attenuator	Δ 30 dB attenuator	RF flatness error ¹
7.3 GHz						
7.4 GHz						
7.5 GHz						
7.6 GHz						
7.7 GHz						
7.8 GHz						
7.9 GHz						
8.0 GHz						
8.1 GHz						
8.2 GHz						
8.3 GHz						
8.4 GHz						
8.5 GHz						
8.6 GHz						
8.7 GHz						
8.8 GHz						
8.9 GHz						
9.0 GHz						
9.1 GHz						
9.2 GHz						
9.3 GHz						
9.4 GHz						
9.5 GHz						
9.6 GHz						
9.7 GHz						
9.8 GHz						
9.9 GHz						
10.0 GHz						
10.1 GHz						
10.2 GHz						
10.3 GHz						
10.4 GHz						
10.5 GHz						
10.6 GHz						

Table 74: RF flatness (Option 50/51 Preamp ON) (cont.)

Attenuator = 10 dB

Frequency	Power meter reading	Δ Power meter (vs. 100 MHz)	RTSA reading (vs. 100 MHz)	30 dB attenuator	Δ30 dB attenuator	RF flatness error ¹
10.7 GHz						
10.8 GHz						
10.9 GHz						
11.0 GHz						
11.1 GHz						
11.2 GHz						
11.3 GHz						
11.4 GHz						
11.5 GHz						
11.6 GHz						
11.7 GHz						
11.8 GHz						
11.9 GHz						
12.0 GHz						
12.1 GHz						
12.2 GHz						
12.3 GHz						
12.4 GHz						
12.5 GHz						
12.6 GHz						
12.7 GHz						
12.8 GHz						
12.9 GHz						
12.0 GHz						
12.1 GHz						
12.2 GHz						
12.3 GHz						
12.4 GHz						
12.5 GHz						
12.6 GHz						
12.7 GHz						
12.8 GHz						
12.9 GHz						
13.0 GHz						

Table 74: RF flatness (Option 50/51 Preamp ON) (cont.)

Attenuator = 10 dB

Frequency	Power meter reading	Δ Power meter (vs. 100 MHz)	RTSA reading (vs. 100 MHz)	30 dB attenuator	Δ 30 dB attenuator	RF flatness error ¹
13.1 GHz						
13.2 GHz						
13.3 GHz						
13.4 GHz						
13.5 GHz						
13.6 GHz						
13.7 GHz						
13.8 GHz						
13.9 GHz						
14.0 GHz						
14.1 GHz						
14.2 GHz						
14.3 GHz						
14.0 GHz						
14.1 GHz						
14.2 GHz						
14.3 GHz						
14.4 GHz						
14.5 GHz						
14.6 GHz						
14.7 GHz						
14.8 GHz						
14.9 GHz						
15.0 GHz						
RSA5126A only						
15.1 GHz						
15.2 GHz						
15.3 GHz						
15.4 GHz						
15.5 GHz						
15.6 GHz						
15.7 GHz						
15.8 GHz						
15.9 GHz						

Table 74: RF flatness (Option 50/51 Preamp ON) (cont.)

Attenuator = 10 dB

Frequency	Power meter reading	Δ Power meter (vs. 100 MHz)	RTSA reading (vs. 100 MHz)	30 dB attenuator	Δ 30 dB attenuator	RF flatness error ¹
16.0 GHz						
16.1 GHz						
16.2 GHz						
16.3 GHz						
16.4 GHz						
16.5 GHz						
16.6 GHz						
16.7 GHz						
16.8 GHz						
16.9 GHz						
17.0 GHz						
17.1 GHz						
17.2 GHz						
17.3 GHz						
17.4 GHz						
17.5 GHz						
17.6 GHz						
17.7 GHz						
17.8 GHz						
17.9 GHz						
18.0 GHz						
18.1 GHz						
18.2 GHz						
18.3 GHz						
18.4 GHz						
18.5 GHz						
18.6 GHz						
18.7 GHz						
18.8 GHz						
18.9 GHz						
19.0 GHz						
19.1 GHz						
19.2 GHz						
19.3 GHz						

Table 74: RF flatness (Option 50/51 Preamp ON) (cont.)

Attenuator = 10 dB

Frequency	Power meter reading	Δ Power meter (vs. 100 MHz)	RTSA reading (vs. 100 MHz)	30 dB attenuator	Δ 30 dB attenuator	RF flatness error ¹
19.4 GHz						
19.5 GHz						
19.6 GHz						
19.7 GHz						
19.8 GHz						
19.9 GHz						
20.0 GHz						
20.1 GHz						
20.2 GHz						
20.3 GHz						
20.4 GHz						
20.5 GHz						
20.6 GHz						
20.7 GHz						
20.8 GHz						
20.9 GHz						
21.0 GHz						
21.1 GHz						
21.2 GHz						
21.3 GHz						
21.4 GHz						
21.5 GHz						
21.6 GHz						
21.7 GHz						
21.8 GHz						
21.9 GHz						
22.0 GHz						
22.1 GHz						
22.2 GHz						
22.3 GHz						
22.4 GHz						
22.5 GHz						
22.6 GHz						
22.7 GHz						

Table 74: RF flatness (Option 50/51 Preamp ON) (cont.)

Attenuator = 10 dB

Frequency	Power meter reading	Δ Power meter (vs. 100 MHz)	RTSA reading (vs. 100 MHz)	30 dB attenuator	Δ 30 dB attenuator	RF flatness error ¹
22.8 GHz						
22.9 GHz						
23.0 GHz						
23.1 GHz						
23.2 GHz						
23.3 GHz						
23.4 GHz						
23.5 GHz						
23.6 GHz						
23.7 GHz						
23.8 GHz						
23.9 GHz						
24.0 GHz						
24.1 GHz						
24.2 GHz						
24.3 GHz						
24.4 GHz						
24.5 GHz						
24.6 GHz						
24.7 GHz						
24.8 GHz						
24.9 GHz						
25.0 GHz						
25.1 GHz						
25.2 GHz						
25.3 GHz						
25.4 GHz						
25.5 GHz						
25.6 GHz						
25.7 GHz						
25.8 GHz						
25.9 GHz						
26.0 GHz						
26.1 GHz						

Table 74: RF flatness (Option 50/51 Preamp ON) (cont.)

Attenuator = 10 dB

Frequency	Power meter reading	Δ Power meter (vs. 100 MHz)	RTSA reading (vs. 100 MHz)	30 dB attenuator	Δ 30 dB attenuator	RF flatness error ¹
26.2 GHz						
26.3 GHz						
26.4 GHz						
26.5 GHz						

¹ Use the formula in Step 13

15. Enter the largest variation in each of the following frequency range into the test record:

10 MHz - 3 GHz (Preamp On, Option 50 only)

3.1 MHz - 6.2 GHz (Preamp On, RSA5106A, Option 50 only)

6.2 MHz - 15 GHz (Preamp On, RSA5115A, Option 51 only)

15 MHz - 26.5 GHz (Preamp On, RSA5126A, Option 51 only)

Absolute Accuracy at Calibration Point, RF Path

1. Connect the RF generator, power splitter, power meter, and RSA5100A. (See Figure 11.)
2. Reset the RSA5100A to factory defaults: select **Setup > Preset (Main)**.
3. Select **Tools > Alignments** and select **Align Now**.
4. Set the RSA5100A:

Reference Level -20 dBm

Setup > Amplitude > Internal Settings > Ref Level

Center Frequency 100 MHz

Setup > Settings > Center

5. Set the RF Generator:

Output Frequency 100 MHz

Output Level -14 dBm

RF On

6. Set the frequency span (Span key) to 300 kHz.
7. Press the **Markers > Peak** key to set the Reference Marker (MR) to the carrier peak.
8. Record the reading on the Power Meter and on the RSA5100A marker amplitude.

9. Calculate the Absolute Amplitude Accuracy:

$$\Delta = \text{RSA5100A reading} - \text{Power Meter reading}$$

Readings are in dBm, error is in dB.

10. Record the Absolute Amplitude Error in the test record. (Limits are shown in the test record.)
11. Repeat steps 6 through 10 for frequency spans of 1MHz and 25.1MHz (Option 40, 85, and 110).

Absolute Accuracy at Calibration Point, LF path

1. Connect the RF generator, power splitter, power meter, and RSA5100A. (See Figure 11.)
2. Reset the RSA5100A to factory defaults: select **Setup > Preset (Main)**.
3. Select **Tools > Alignments** and select **Align Now**.
4. Set the RSA5100A:

Reference Level	-20 dBm
Setup > Amplitude > Internal Settings > Ref Level	
Center Frequency	10 MHz
Setup > Settings > Center	
Span	1 MHz
Setup > Settings > Freq & Span > Span	
LF Path	Use Low Freq signal path checked
Setup > Acquire > Input Params	

5. Set the RF Generator:

Output Frequency	10 MHz
Output Level	-14 dBm
RF	On

6. Press the **Markers Peak** key to set the Reference Marker (MR) to the carrier peak.
7. Record the reading on the Power Meter and on the RSA5100A marker amplitude.
8. Calculate the Absolute Amplitude Accuracy:

$$\Delta = \text{RSA5100A reading} - \text{Power Meter reading}$$

Readings are in dBm, error is in dB.
9. Record the Absolute Amplitude Error in the test record. (Limits are shown in the test record.)

**Absolute Accuracy at
Calibration Point, RF Path,
Preamp ON**

1. Connect the RF generator, power splitter, power meter, and RSA5100A. (See Figure 11.)
2. Reset the RSA5100A to factory defaults: select **Setup > Preset (Main)**.
3. Select **Tools > Alignments** and select **Align Now**.
4. Set the RSA5100A:
 - Reference Level - 30 dBm
Setup > Amplitude > Internal Settings > Ref Level
 - Center Frequency 100 MHz
Setup > Settings > Center
 - Internal Attenuator 10 dB (Auto unchecked)
Setup > Amplitude > Internal Attenuator
 - Internal Preamp Internal Preamp box checked
Setup > Amplitude > Internal Attenuator
5. Set the RF Generator:
 - Output Frequency 100 MHz
 - Output Level -24 dBm
 - RF On
6. Set the frequency span (Span key) to 300 kHz.
7. Press the **Markers > Peak** key to set the Reference Marker (MR) to the carrier peak.
8. Record the reading on the Power Meter and on the RSA5100A marker amplitude.
9. Calculate the Absolute Amplitude Accuracy:
 - $Delta = RSA5100A \text{ reading} - Power \text{ Meter reading}$
 - Readings are in dBm, error is in dB.
10. Record the Absolute Amplitude Error in the test record. (Limits are shown in the test record.)
11. Repeat steps 6 through 10 for frequency spans of 1 MHz and 41 MHz (Option 85 and 110).

Absolute Accuracy at Calibration Point, LF path, Preamp ON (only for RSA5103A and RSA5106A)

1. Connect the RF generator, power splitter, power meter, and RSA5100A. (See Figure 11.)
2. Reset the RSA5100A to factory defaults: select **Setup > Preset (Main)**.
3. Select **Tools > Alignments** and select **Align Now**.
4. Set the RSA5100A:
Reference Level - 10 dBm
Setup > Amplitude > Internal Settings > Ref Level

Center Frequency 100 MHz
Setup > Settings > Center

Internal Attenuator 10 dB (Auto unchecked)
Setup > Amplitude > Internal Attenuator

Internal Preamp Internal Preamp box checked
Setup > Amplitude > Internal Attenuator

LF Path
Setup > Acquire > Input Params
Use Low Freq signal path checked.
5. Set the RF Generator:
Output Frequency 10 MHz
Output Level -4 dBm
RF On
6. Set the frequency span (Span key) to 300 kHz.
7. Press the **Markers Peak** key to set the Reference Marker (MR) to the carrier peak.
8. Record the reading on the Power Meter and on the RSA5100A marker amplitude.
9. Calculate the Absolute Amplitude Accuracy:
 $Delta = RSA5100A \text{ reading} - \text{Power Meter reading}$
Readings are in dBm, error is in dB.
10. Record the Absolute Amplitude Error in the test record. (Limits are shown in

the test record.)

- Repeat steps 6 through 10 for frequency span of 1 MHz

Noise and Distortion

Third Order Intermodulation Distortion

- Set up the RF CW generators, Lowpass filters, Signal Combiner, and RSA5100A as shown in the following figure.

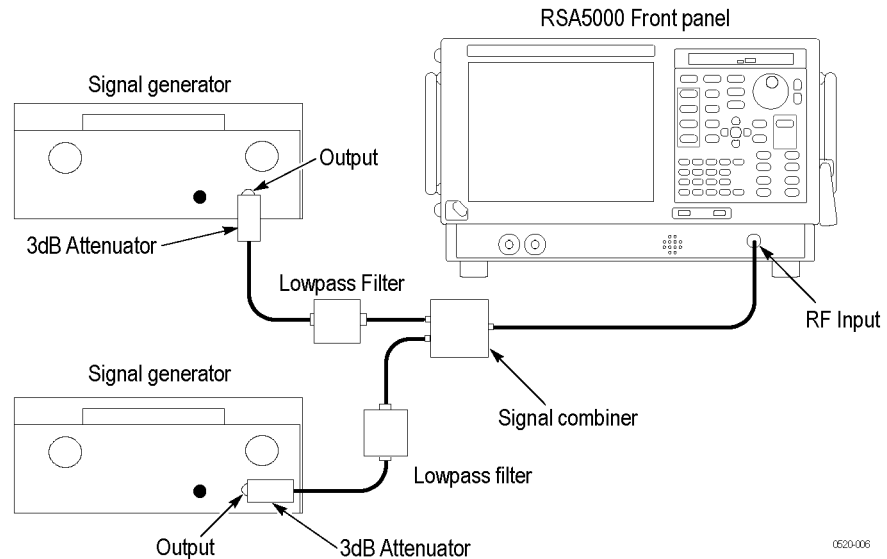


Figure 14: Equipment connections for Third Order Intermodulation Distortion check

- Reset the RSA5100A to factory defaults: select **Setup > Preset (Main)**.
- Select **Tools > Alignments** and select **Align Now**.
- Set the RSA5100A:

Ref Level	-20 dBm
Setup > Amplitude > Internal Settings > Ref Level	
Internal Attenuator	0 dB (Auto unchecked)
Setup > Amplitude > Internal Settings > Internal Attenuator	
RF & IF Optimization	Maximize Dynamic Range
Setup > Amplitude > Internal Settings > RF & IF Optimization	
Span	10 kHz
Setup > Settings > Freq & Span > Span	
RBW	Auto checked
Setup > Settings > BW > RBW	

Function	Avg (VRMS)
Setup > Settings > Traces > Function	
Averaging	25 (Count checked)
(Settings > Traces > Avg (VRMS))	

5. Set each of the rf signal generators to provide a power level of -22 dBm and turn RF On.
 - a. Set the first generator output frequency to 2.1295 GHz, and the second generator output frequency to 2.1305 GHz.
 - b. Set the RSA5100A Function to Normal (Setup > Settings > Traces > Function > Normal).
 - c. Set the RSA5100A Center frequency to 2.1295 GHz. Press the **Markers Peak** key. Adjust the first generator output level for a marker reading of -25.0 dBm. Record this as carrier #1.
 - d. Set the RSA5100A Center frequency to 2.1305 GHz. Press the **Markers Peak** key. Adjust the second generator output level for a marker reading of -25.0 . This is carrier amplitude #2.
6. Set the RSA5100A Function to Averaging (Setup > Settings > Traces > Function > Avg (VRMS)).
7. Set the RTSA center frequency to 2.1285 GHz. After averaging has completed, press the **Markers Peak** key and read the amplitude level of the signal displayed at the center of the screen. Record this as TOI #1.
8. Set the RTSA center frequency to 2.1315 GHz. After averaging has completed, press the **Markers Peak** key and read the amplitude level of the signal displayed at the center of the screen. Record this as TOI #2.
9. Calculate the Third Order Intermodulation Distortion (TOI) using the following procedure. Record the results in the test record.
 - a. Record the maximum reading from step 7 or step 8.
 - b. Record the minimum reading from step 5 c or step 5 d.
 - c. Calculate the TOI using this equation:

$$\text{TOI} = \text{step a} - \text{step b}$$

DANL - Preamp OFF, LF Path

1. Terminate the RSA5100A RF Input with a 50Ω terminator.
2. Reset the RSA5100A to factory defaults: select **Setup > Preset (Main)**.
3. Select **Tools > Alignments** and select **Align Now**.
4. Set the RSA5100A:

Reference Level	-50 dBm
Setup > Amplitude > Ref Level	
Internal Attenuator	0 dB (Auto unchecked)
Setup > Amplitude > Internal Attenuator	
RF & IF Optimization	Minimize Noise
Setup > Amplitude > RF & IF Optimization	
Center Frequency	9 kHz
Setup > Settings > Freq & Span > Center	
Span	1 kHz
Setup > Settings > Freq & span > Span	
RBW	Auto (box checked)
Setup > Settings > BW > RBW	
Detection	Avg (of logs)
Setup > Settings > Traces > Detection	
Function	Avg (of logs)
Setup > Settings > Traces > Function	
Count	100 (Count box checked)
Setup > Settings > Traces > Function	
LF Path	Use Low Freq... box checked
Setup > Acquire > Input Params	

5. Set the markers for Noise Mode operation:
 - a. Select **Markers > Define Markers**.
 - b. Select the **Add** soft key to add the Reference marker (MR).
 - c. Select **Add** again to add the M1 marker.
 - d. Select **Absolute** from the **Readouts** drop-down list.
 - e. Select **Setup > Settings**, click the **Prefs** tab, and then select the **Marker Noise Mode** checkbox so it is checked.
6. Set the RSA5100A to each of the Center Frequencies listed in the following table by pressing the Freq key and entering the value listed. After averaging is

completed, press the **Markers > Peak**. As noted below, if the peak is on a spur, not the noise floor, place the marker on the highest point of the noise floor.

NOTE. *The intent of the DANL test is to measure the average internal noise level of the instrument. The DANL specification does not cover residual spurs. If the specific measurement frequency results in measuring a residual spur that is visible above the noise level, the DANL specification applies not to the spur but to the noise level on either side of the spur. Please refer to the Spurious Response specifications. (See Table 19.). Also, refer to the Spurious Response section of this procedure to determine whether or not a residual spur is within the specification. (See page 114, Spurious Response.)*

Table 75: Frequencies of interest for DANL (LF path)

Center frequency	Marker noise level	Frequency range
4.1 kHz		4 kHz -10 kHz
9.9 kHz		
10.1 kHz		10 kHz - 32 MHz
31 MHz		

DANL – Preamp OFF, RF Path

1. Reset the RSA5100A to factory defaults: select **Setup > Preset (Main)**.
2. Select **Tools > Alignments** and select **Align Now**.
3. Set the RSA5100A:

Reference Level	-50 dBm
Setup > Amplitude > Internal Settings > Ref Level	
Internal Attenuator	0 dB (Auto unchecked)
Setup > Amplitude > Internal Settings > Internal Attenuator	
RF & IF Optimization	Minimize Noise
Setup > Amplitude > RF & IF Optimization	
Center Frequency	10 MHz
Setup > Settings > Freq & Span > Center	
Span	100 kHz
Setup > Settings > Freq & Span > span	
RBW	Auto (box checked)
Setup > Settings > BW > RBW	
Detection	Avg (of logs)
Setup > Settings > Traces > Detection	
Function	Avg (of logs)
Setup > Settings > Traces > Function	

Count	1000 (Count box checked)
Setup > Settings > Traces > Function	
LF Path	Use Low Freq Signal path box
Setup > Acquire > Input Params	unchecked

4. Set the markers for Noise Mode operation:
 - a. Select **Markers > Define Markers**.
 - b. Select the **Add** soft key to add the Reference marker (MR).
 - c. Select **Add** again to add the M1 marker.
 - d. Select **Absolute** from the **Readouts** drop-down list.
 - e. Select **Setup > Settings**, click the **Prefs** tab, and then select the **Marker Noise Mode** checkbox so it is checked.
5. Set the RSA5100A to each of the Center Frequencies listed in the following table by pressing the **Freq** key and entering the value listed. After averaging is completed, press the **Markers > Peak** key, for each Center Frequency setting. As noted below, if the peak is on a spur, not the noise floor, place the marker on the highest point of the noise floor.

Table 76: Frequencies of interest for DANL (RF path)

Center frequency	Marker noise level	Frequency range
1.1 MHz		1 MHz - 10 MHz (All models)
9.9 MHz		
10 MHz		10 MHz - 2.0 GHz (All models)
1.99 GHz		
2.01 GHz		2.0 GHz - 3.0 GHz (All models)
2.99 GHz		
3.01 GHz		3.0 GHz - 4.0 GHz (RSA5106A/5115A/5126A)
3.99 GHz		
4.01 GHz		4 GHz - 6.2 GHz (RSA5106A/5115A/5126A)
6.2 GHz		
6.2 GHz		6.2 GHz -15 GHz (RSA5115A/5126A)
15 GHz		
15 GHz		15 GHz -26.5 GHz (RSA5126A)
26.5 GHz		

6. Enter the highest noise level for each of the frequency ranges shown into the test record. (Limits are shown in the test record.)

DANL - Preamp ON, LF Path (Option 50/51 Only)

1. Reset the RSA5100A to factory defaults: select **Setup > Preset (Main)**.
2. Select **Tools > Alignments** and select **Align Now**.
3. Set the RSA5100A:

Reference Level	-50 dBm
Setup > Amplitude > Internal Settings > Ref Level	
Internal Attenuator	0 dB (Auto unchecked)
Setup > Amplitude > Internal Settings > Internal Attenuator	
RF & IF Optimization	Minimize Noise
Setup > Amplitude > RF & IF Optimization	
Internal Preamp	ON (Internal Preamp box checked)
Setup > Amplitude > Internal Settings > Internal Preamp	
Center Frequency	1.1 MHz
Setup > Settings > Freq & Span > Center	
Span	100 kHz
Setup > Settings > Freq & Span > span	
RBW	Auto (box checked)
Setup > Settings > BW > RBW	
Detection	Avg (of logs)
Setup > Settings > Traces > Detection	
Function	Avg (of logs)
Setup > Settings > Traces > Function	
Count	100 (Count box checked)
Setup > Settings > Traces > Function	
LF Path	Use Low Freq... (box checked)
Setup > Acquire > Input Params	

4. Set the markers for Noise Mode operation:
 - a. Select **Markers > Define Markers**.
 - b. Select the **Add** button to add the Reference marker (MR).
 - c. Select **Add** again to add the M1 marker.
 - d. Select **Absolute** from the **Readouts** drop-down list.
 - e. Select **Setup > Settings** and select the **Prefs** tab. Select the **Marker Noise Mode** checkbox so it is checked.
5. Set the RSA5100A to each of the Center Frequencies listed in the following table by pressing the Freq key and entering the value listed. After averaging is completed, press the Markers > Peak key. As noted below, if the peak is

on a spur, not the noise floor, place the marker on the highest point of the noise floor.

NOTE. *The intent of the DANL test is to measure the average internal noise level of the instrument. The DANL specification does not cover residual spurs. If the specific measurement frequency results in measuring a residual spur that is visible above the noise level, the DANL specification applies not to the spur but to the noise level on either side of the spur. Please refer to the Spurious Response specifications. (See Table 1-18.). Also, refer to the Spurious Response section of this procedure to determine whether or not a residual spur is within the specification. (See page 114, Spurious Response.)*

Table 77: Frequencies of interest for DANL LF path check (Option 50/51)

Center frequency	Marker Noise level	Frequency range
1.1 MHz		1 MHz - 32 MHz
31.9 MHz		

DANL – Preamp ON, RF Path (Option 50/51 Only)

1. Reset the RSA5100A to factory defaults: select **Setup > Preset (Main)**.
2. Select **Tools > Alignments** and select **Align Now**.
3. Set the RSA5100A:

Reference Level	-50 dBm
Setup > Amplitude > Internal Settings > Ref Level	
Internal Attenuator	0 dB (Auto unchecked)
Setup > Amplitude > Internal Settings > Internal Attenuator	
RF & IF Optimization	Minimize Noise
Setup > Amplitude > RF & IF Optimization	
Internal Preamp	ON (Internal Preamp box checked)
Setup > Amplitude > Internal Settings > Internal Preamp	
Center Frequency	1.1 MHz
Setup > Settings > Freq & Span > Center	
Span	100 kHz
Setup > Settings > Freq & Span > span	
RBW	Auto (box checked)
Setup > Settings > BW > RBW	
Detection	Avg (of logs)
Setup > Settings > Traces > Detection	

Function	Avg (of logs)
Setup > Settings > Traces > Function	
Count	100 (Count box checked)
Setup > Settings > Traces > Function	
LF Path	Use Low Freq Signal path box
Setup > Acquire > Input Params	unchecked

4. Set the markers for Noise Mode operation:
 - a. Select **Markers > Define Markers**.
 - b. Select the **Add** button to add the Reference marker (MR).
 - c. Select **Add** again to add the M1 marker.
 - d. Select **Absolute** from the **Readouts** drop-down list.
 - e. Select **Setup > Settings** and select the **Prefs** tab. Select the **Marker Noise Mode** checkbox so it is checked.
5. Set the RSA5100A to each of the Center Frequencies listed in the following table by pressing the Freq key and entering the value listed. After averaging is completed, press the Markers > Peak key. As noted below, if the peak is on a spur, not the noise floor, place the marker on the highest point of the noise floor.

NOTE. *The intent of the DANL test is to measure the average internal noise level of the instrument. The DANL specification does not cover residual spurs. If the specific measurement frequency results in measuring a residual spur that is visible above the noise level, the DANL specification applies not to the spur but to the noise level on either side of the spur. Please refer to the Spurious Response specifications. (See Table 1-18.). Also, refer to the Spurious Response section of this procedure to determine whether or not a residual spur is within the specification. (See page 114, Spurious Response.)*

Table 78: Frequencies of interest for DANL check (Option 50)

Center frequency	Marker Noise level	Frequency range
1.1 MHz		1 MHz - 10 MHz (All models)
9.9 MHz		
10.1 MHz		10 MHz - 2 GHz (All models)
1.99 GHz		
2.01 GHz		2 GHz - 3 GHz (All models)
2.99 GHz		
3.01 GHz		3 GHz - 6.2 GHz
6.2 GHz		(RSA5106A/5115A/5126A)

Table 78: Frequencies of interest for DANL check (Option 50) (cont.)

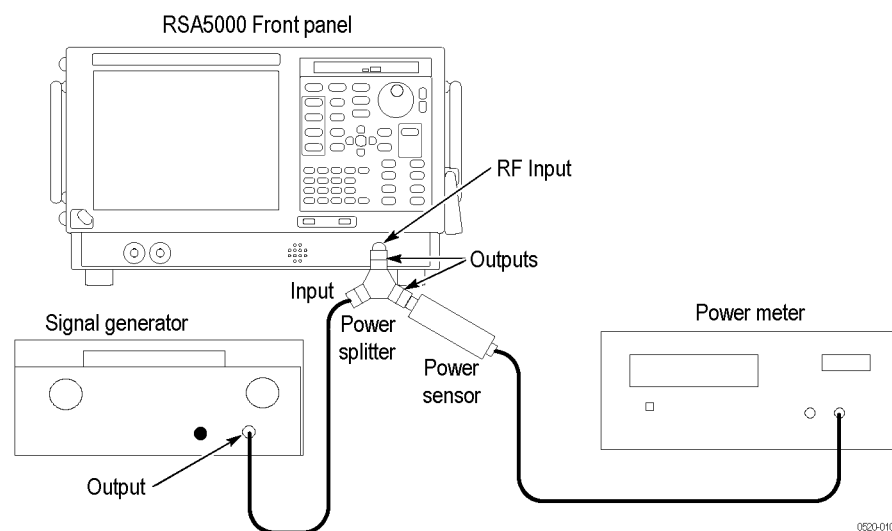
Center frequency	Marker Noise level	Frequency range
6.2 GHz		6.2 GHz - 15 GHz
15 GHz		(RSA5115A/5126A)
15 GHz		15 GHz - 26.5 GHz
26.5 GHz		(RSA5115A/5126A)

7. Enter the highest noise level for each of the frequency ranges shown into the test record. (Limits are shown in the test record.)

IF Flatness (Channel Response)

1. Connect the RF generator, power splitter, power meter, and RSA5100A as shown in the following figure.

The power splitter outputs should connect directly to the RSA5100A RF Input and to the Power Sensor.

**Figure 15: Equipment connections for IF flatness check**

2. Reset the RSA5100A to factory defaults: select **Setup > Preset (Main)**.
3. Select **Tools > Alignments** and select **Align Now**.
4. Set the RSA5100A:

Center	200 MHz
Setup > Settings > Freq & Span > Span	
Span	300 kHz
Setup > Settings > Freq & Span > Span	

5. Set the RF generator output frequency to 200 MHz. This is the reference frequency.
6. Select the **Markers > Peak** key to set the Reference marker to the carrier peak.
7. Adjust the signal generator output level to -4 dBm and turn RF On.
8. Record the Power Meter reading and the RSA5100A marker reading in the IF Flatness table. (See Table 79.).
9. Set the RF generator output frequency to the next frequency in the IF Flatness table that follows.
10. Leave the RSA5100A center frequency at 200 MHz and press the **Markers Peak** key.
11. Record the Power Meter reading and the RSA5100A marker reading in the IF Flatness table.
12. Calculate the Δ Power Meter number: subtract the Power Meter reading at 200 MHz from the Power Meter reading at this frequency.
13. Calculate the Δ RTSA number: subtract the RSA5100A marker reading at 200 MHz from the RSA5100A marker reading at this frequency.
14. Calculate the IF Flatness Error using the formula:

$$RF \text{ Flatness Error} = \Delta \text{ RTSA at this freq} - \Delta \text{ Power Meter at this freq}$$
Readings are in dBm, error is in dB.
15. Repeat parts 9 through 14 for each of the remaining generator frequencies shown in the Span = 300 kHz portion of the following table.
16. Record the highest Calculated IF Flatness Error for the Span setting into the test record. (Limits are shown in the test record.)
17. Repeat steps 4 through 16 for Span settings of 20 MHz and 25 MHz, using the appropriate span segment of the following table.
18. (Option 85/110 only.) Repeat steps 4 through 16 for a 85 or 110 MHz Span setting.

Table 79: IF flatness

Generator Frequency	RTSA reading	Δ RTSA reading (vs. 200 MHz)	Power meter reading	Δ power meter reading (vs. 200 MHz)	Calculated IF Flatness Error
Span = 300 kHz					
200 MHz		0		0	0
199.85 MHz					
199.88 MHz					
199.91 MHz					

Table 79: IF flatness (cont.)

Generator Frequency	RTSA reading	Δ RTSA reading (vs. 200 MHz)	Power meter reading	Δ power meter reading (vs. 200 MHz)	Calculated IF Flatness Error
Span = 300 kHz					
199.94 MHz					
199.97 MHz					
200.03 MHz					
200.06 MHz					
200.09 MHz					
200.12 MHz					
200.15 MHz					
Span = 20 MHz					
200 MHz		0		0	0
190 MHz					
192 MHz					
194 MHz					
196 MHz					
198 MHz					
202 MHz					
204 MHz					
206 MHz					
208 MHz					
210 MHz					
Span = 25 MHz					
200 MHz					
187.5 MHz		0		0	0
190 MHz					
192.5 MHz					
195 MHz					
197.5 MHz					
202.5 MHz					
205 MHz					
207.5 MHz					
210 MHz					
212.5 MHz					
Span = 85 MHz (Option 85 only)					
200 MHz		0		0	0
157.5 MHz					

Table 79: IF flatness (cont.)

Span = 85 MHz (Option 85 only)

166 MHz
174.5 MHz
183 MHz
191.5 MHz
208.5 MHz
217 MHz
225.5 MHz
234 MHz
242.5 MHz
110 MHz (Option 110 only)
200 MHz
145 MHz
156 MHz
167 MHz
178 MHz
189 MHz
211 MHz
222 MHz
233 MHz
244 MHz
255 MHz

Spurious Response

Residual Response

1. Terminate the RSA5100A RF Input.
2. Reset the RSA5100A to factory defaults: select **Setup > Preset (Main)**.
3. Select **Tools > Alignments** and select **Align Now**.
4. Set the RSA5100A:

Ref Level	-40 dBm
Setup > Amplitude >	
Internal Attenuator	0 dB (Auto unchecked)
Setup > amplitude > Internal Settings > Internal Attenuator	
Setup > Amplitude > RF & IF Optimization > Maximum Dynamic Range	

RBW	1 kHz
Setup > Settings > BW > RBW	
Function	Avg (VRMS)
Setup > Settings > Traces > Function	
Count	10 (Count checked)
Setup > Settings > Traces > Function > Avg (of logs)	

5. Set the Frequency (Freq key) to each center frequency in the Residual Response Center Frequencies table. Set the span for each center frequency as shown in the table. (See Table 80.) Wait for the averaging to complete, then press the **Markers** > **Peak** key and record the marker amplitude in the table.
6. Enter the highest of these signal levels into the test record.

Table 80: Residual response center frequencies

Center frequency	Span	Range	Marker amplitude
All models			
600 MHz	800 MHz	200 MHz to 1 GHz	
1.5 GHz	1 GHz	1 GHz to 2 GHz	
2.5 GHz	1 GHz	2 GHz to 3 GHz	
RSA5106A,/5115A/5126A only			
3.5 GHz	1 GHz	3 GHz to 4 GHz	
4.5 GHz	1 GHz	4 GHz to 5 GHz	
5.6 GHz	1.2 GHz	5 GHz to 6.2 GHz	
RSA5115A/5126A only			
6.6 GHz	800 MHz	6.2 GHz to 7 GHz	
7.5 GHz	1 GHz	7 GHz to 8 GHz	
8.5 GHz	1 GHz	8 GHz to 9 GHz	
9.5 GHz	1 GHz	9 GHz to 10 GHz	
10.5 GHz	1 GHz	10 GHz to 11 GHz	
11.5 GHz	1 GHz	11 GHz to 12 GHz	
12.5 GHz	1 GHz	12 GHz to 13 GHz	
13.5 GHz	1 GHz	13 GHz to 14 GHz	
14.5 GHz	1 GHz	14 GHz to 15 GHz	
RSA5126A only			
15.5 GHz	1 GHz	15 GHz to 16 GHz	
16.5 GHz	1 GHz	16 GHz to 17 GHz	
17.5 GHz	1 GHz	17 GHz to 18 GHz	
18.5 GHz	1 GHz	18 GHz to 19 GHz	

Table 80: Residual response center frequencies (cont.)

Center frequency	Span	Range	Marker amplitude
19.5 GHz	1 GHz	19 GHz to 20 GHz	
20.5 GHz	1 GHz	20 GHz to 21 GHz	
21.5 GHz	1 GHz	21 GHz to 22 GHz	
22.5 GHz	1 GHz	22 GHz to 23 GHz	
23.5 GHz	1 GHz	23 GHz to 24 GHz	
24.5 GHz	1 GHz	24 GHz to 25 GHz	
25.75 GHz	1.5 GHz	25 GHz to 26.5 GHz	

Image Suppression

1. Connect the RF generator capable of at least 26.5 GHz to the RSA5100A RF Input, as shown in the following figure.

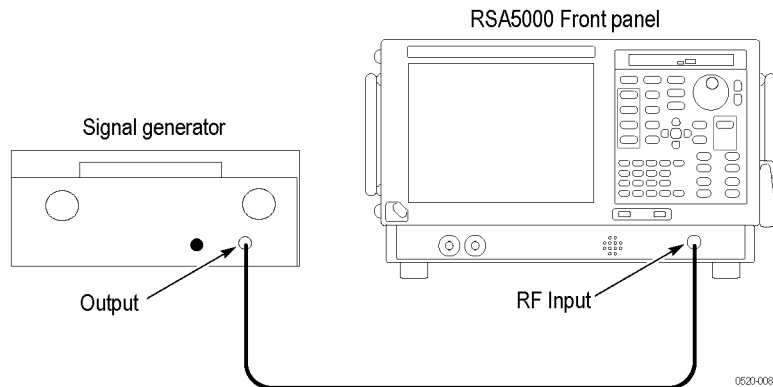


Figure 16: Equipment connections for Image Suppression check

2. Reset the RSA5100A to factory defaults: select **Setup > Preset (Main)**.
3. Select **Tools > Alignments** and select **Align Now**.
4. Set the RSA5100A:

Ref Level	-30 dBm
Setup > Amplitude > Internal Settings > Ref Level	
Internal Attenuator	10 dB (Auto unchecked)
Setup > Amplitude > Internal Settings > Internal Attenuator	
Span	10 kHz
Setup > Settings > Freq & Span > Span	
RBW	10 Hz (Auto unchecked)
Setup > Settings > BW > RBW	

Function	Avg (VRMS)
Setup > Settings > Traces > Function	
Averages	10 (Count checked)
Setup > Settings > Traces > Function	

5. Set the RF generator: Output Level to -30 dBm at the end of the cable and turn RF On. Verify the output level with the power meter, if necessary.
6. For each row of the table below (as appropriate to your instrument model):
 - a. Set the RSA5100A to the Center Frequency shown in the first column.
 - b. Set the RF signal generator frequency to that shown in the first column.
 - c. Set **Function** to **Normal** (Setup > Settings > Traces > Function > Normal).
 - d. Press the **Markers > Peak** key.
 - e. Adjust the RF signal generator amplitude to produce a signal level within 1 dB of the Reference Level. Record this value as the carrier level.
 - f. Set the RF generator output frequency to the Image Frequency shown in the second column.
 - g. Set **Function** to **Avg(VRMS)** (Setup>Settings>Traces>Function).
 - h. After the averaging has completed, press the **Markers > Peak** key to move the MR marker to the peak signal value.
 - i. Read the marker amplitude, in dBm, at the upper-left on the screen. Subtract the carrier level (step e) from the signal image amplitude (step h), to convert it to dBc.
 - j. Enter this value in the test record.
7. Repeat steps 4 through 6 for each frequency in the following table.

Table 81: Image suppression settings

RSA5100A Center Frequency	RF Generator Output Frequency (Image)
All Models	
29 MHz (LF Path)	229 MHz
2.0 GHz	16.03 GHz
3.0 GHz	17.03 GHz
RSA5106A,/5115A/5126A only	
5.95 GHz	19.98 GHz
RSA5115A/5126A only	
7 GHz	16.68 GHz
10 GHz	17.52 GHz
14.5 GHz	9.5 GHz

Table 81: Image suppression settings (cont.)

RSA5100A Center Frequency	RF Generator Output Frequency (Image)
RSA5126A only	
18 GHz	23.6 GHz
20 GHz	27.36 GHz
23 GHz	18.6 GHz
25 GHz	16.6 GHz

NOTE. The intent of the image spurious test is to measure spurious responses caused by the injection an external signal that would induce an image product on the display. These images can be the same frequencies as residual spurs. In case of question, slightly change the frequency of the input signal to induce a corresponding change in the displayed frequency of the image spur. Change the input frequency in steps that allow the product to stay within the on-screen frequency span. If the on-screen spur does not move in response to the input signal change, it is not an image and is not covered in the image spurious specification. Some care must be taken in noting the frequency change. The images specified in the specification are 1:1 images and they will move -1:1 with changes in input signal frequency. Never discount the possibility that a spur in question could be coming from the test signal generator. Such spurious responses can also move with changes in signal generator frequency. In case of question, validate the performance of the generator with a different Signal Analyzer and/or filter the signal from the test generator to remove unwanted products.

If the spur seen on screen is a residual, it will still be present with the input to the signal analyzer terminated in 50 ohms. Residual spurs are subject to separate specification limits.

Spurious Response with Signal

1. Connect the RF generator to the RSA5100A RF Input, as shown in the following figure.

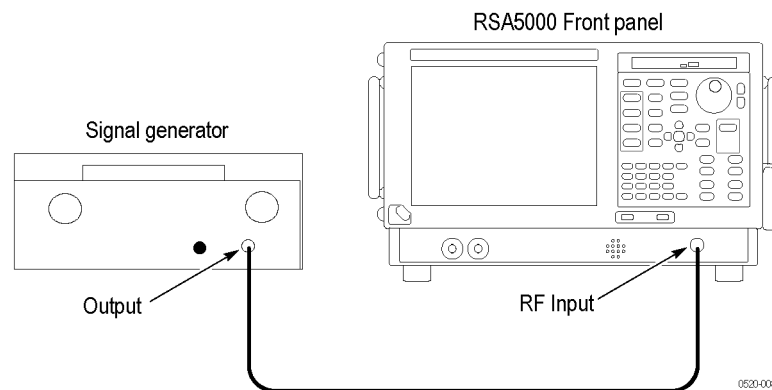


Figure 17: Equipment connections for Signal Spurious check

2. Reset the RSA5100A to factory defaults: select **Setup > Preset (Main)**.
3. Select **Tools > Alignments** and select **Align Now**.
4. Set the RSA5100A:

Center Frequency	1 GHz
Setup > Settings > Freq & Span > Center	
Span	25 MHz
Setup > Settings > Freq & Span > Span	
RBW	1 kHz
Setup > Settings > BW > RBW	
Function	Avg (RMS)
Setup > Settings > Traces > Function	
Averages	25 (count box is checked)
Setup > Settings > Traces > Function	
Ref Level	-15 dBm
Setup > Amplitude > Ref Level	
Internal Attenuator	10 dB (Auto unchecked)
Setup > Amplitude > Internal Attenuator	

5. Set the RF generator:

Output Level	-15 dBm
Output Frequency	1 GHz
RF	On

6. Turn on the Marker Reference (MR) and Marker 1 (M1) and set them for Delta Operation.
 - Select **Markers > Define** markers.
 - Select the **Add** key to add the MR marker.
 - Select the **Add** key again to add the M1 marker.
 - Select **Delta** from the **Readouts** dropdown menu.
7. After averaging has completed, press the **Markers > Select** key and select the **MR** marker.
8. Press the **Markers Peak** key.
9. Press the **Markers Select** key and select the M1 marker.
10. Set the M1 marker frequency to -12.5 MHz (Option 85: -42.5 MHz, Option 110: -55 MHz).
11. Rotate the control knob and verify that all marker amplitudes as shown by the Delta M1 marker readout are less than -73 dBc from -12.5 MHz (Option 85: -42.5 MHz, Option 110: -55 MHz) to -400 kHz and 400 kHz to 12.5 MHz (Option 85: 42.5 MHz, Option 110: 55 MHz).
12. (Option 85/110 only) Set the RSA5100A Span (Setup > Settings > Freq & Span > Span) to 85 MHz or 110 MHz. Repeat steps 7 to 11.
13. Enter Pass or Fail into the test record.

Spurious Response with Signal (Half-IF)

1. Connect the RF generator to the RSA5100A RF Input. (See Figure 17.)

NOTE. Use a low-pass filter if the RF generator has a 2nd harmonic product greater than -70 dBc.

2. Reset the RSA5100A to factory defaults: select **Setup > Preset (Main)**.
3. Select **Tools > Alignments** and select **Align Now**.
4. Set the RSA5100A:

Internal Attenuator	10 dB (Auto unchecked)
Setup > Amplitude > Internal Settings > Ref Level	
Ref Level	-30 dBm
Setup > Amplitude > Internal Settings > Ref Level	
Span	10 kHz
Setup > Settings > Freq & Span > Span	

Function	Avg (VRMS)
Setup > Settings > Traces > Function	
Averages	100 (count checked)
Setup > Settings > Traces > Function	

5. Set the RF generator:

Output Level	-30 dBm (at the end of the cable/filter)
RF	On

6. Measure the Half IF signal level as follows:

- a. Set the RF signal generator to the frequency in the *Center Frequencies for Half-IF* table. (See Table 82.)
- b. Set the RSA5100A Center Frequency to the frequency in the *Center Frequencies for Half-IF* table. (See Table 82.)
- c. Set **Function** to **Normal** (Setup > Settings > Traces > Function > Normal).
- d. Press the **Markers > Peak** key
- e. Adjust the RF signal generator amplitude to produce a signal level within 1 dB of the Reference Level. Record this value as the carrier level.
- f. Set the RF signal generator frequency to the frequencies in the table *Center frequencies and signal generator frequencies for Half-IF*. (See Table 82.).
- g. Set **Function** to **Avg (VRMS)** (Setup > Settings > Traces > Function > Avg (VRMS)).
- h. After the averaging has completed, press the **Markers > Peak** key to move the MR marker to the peak signal value.
- i. Read the marker amplitude (in dBm) at the upper-left on the display. Subtract the carrier level (step e) from the spurious signal amplitude (step h) to convert it to dBc.
- j. Enter this value in the test record.

Table 82: Center frequencies and signal generator frequencies for Half-IF

Center frequencies	Signal generator frequencies
1.00 GHz	3.5075 GHz
2.00 GHz	3.5075 GHz
3.00 GHz	3.5075 GHz
4.00 GHz	3.5075 GHz
5.00 GHz	3.5075 GHz
6.00 GHz	3.5075 GHz

Table 82: Center frequencies and signal generator frequencies for Half-IF (cont.)

7.00 GHz	2.42 GHz
8.00 GHz	1.92 GHz
10.0 GHz	1.88 GHz
12.0 GHz	880 MHz
12.8 GHz	880 MHz
14.0 GHz	1.08 GHz
14.5 GHz	1.25 GHz
17.0 GHz	2.06 GHz
20.0 GHz	1.84 GHz
23.0 GHz	1.10 GHz
25.0 GHz	2.10 GHz

7. Repeat step for each entry in the table.

Test Record

Print out the following test record pages and use them to record the performance test results for your signal analyzer.

RSA5100A Series Test Record

Model:

Serial Number:

Certificate Number:

Calibration Date:

Technician:

Frequency Accuracy	Low limit	Test Result	High limit
Reference output frequency accuracy	9,999,996 Hz		10,000,004 Hz
Reference output power level	0 dBm		
External reference input level	Fail		Pass

Phase Noise (with Option 11)	Test Result	High limit
Offset		
CF + 1 kHz		-103 dBc/Hz
CF + 10 kHz		-109 dBc/Hz
CF + 100 kHz		-112 dBc/Hz
CF + 1 MHz		-130 dBc/Hz
CF + 6 MHz		-137 dBc/Hz
CF + 10 MHz		-137 dBc/Hz

Performance Verification

Phase Noise (without Option 11)	Cursor	Carrier power	Phase noise ¹	High limit
Offset				
	CF + 1 kHz			-103 dBc/Hz
	CF + 10 kHz			-109 dBc/Hz
	CF + 100 kHz			-112 dBc/Hz
	CF + 1 MHz			-130 dBc/Hz
	CF + 6 MHz			-137 dBc/Hz
	CF + 10 MHz			-137 dBc/Hz

¹ Phase noise = -(cursor measurement – carrier power)

Input VSWR	Test Result	High limit
Preamp OFF		
10 MHz - 3 GHz		1.4
>3 GHz - 6.2 GHz (RSA5106A only)		1.6
10 MHz - 3 GHz (RSA5115A/5126A only)		1.3, typical
>3 GHz - 6.2 GHz (RSA5115A/5126A only)		1.4, typical
>6.2 GHz - 15 GHz (RSA5115A/5126A only)		1.8, typical
>15 GHz - 22 GHz (RSA5126A only)		1.8, typical
>22 GHz - 26.5 GHz (RSA5126A only)		2.0, typical
Preamp ON (Option 50/51 only)		
10 MHz - 3 GHz (RSA5103A)		1.6
10 MHz - 6.2 GHz (RSA5106A)		1.9
10 MHz - 3 GHz (RSA5115A/5126A only)		1.4, typical
>3 GHz - 6.2 GHz (RSA5115A/5126A only)		1.5, typical
>6.2 GHz - 15 GHz (RSA5115A/5126A only)		1.8, typical
>15 GHz - 22 GHz (RSA5126A only)		1.8, typical
22 GHz - 26.5 GHz (RSA5126A only)		2.0, typical

RF Input Flatness	Low limit	Test Result	High limit
Attenuator = 10 dB			
10 MHz - 3 GHz (Preamp OFF)	-0.35 dB		+0.35 dB
10 MHz - 3 GHz (Preamp ON, RSA5103A/5106A)	-0.5 dB		+0.5 dB
3 GHz - 6.2 GHz (Preamp OFF, RSA5106A/5115A/5126A)	-0.5 dB		+0.5 dB
3 GHz - 6.2 GHz (Preamp ON, RSA5106A/5115A/5126A)	-0.7 dB		+0.7 dB
6.2 GHz - 15 GHz (Preamp OFF, RSA5115A/5126A)	-1.0 dB		+1.0 dB
6.2 GHz - 15 GHz (Preamp ON, RSA5115A/5126A only)	-1.0 dB		+1.0 dB
15 GHz - 26.5 GHz (Preamp OFF, RSA5126A only)	-1.2 dB		+1.2 dB
15 GHz - 26.5 GHz (Preamp ON, RSA5126A only)	-1.2 dB		+1.2 dB

LF Input Path Flatness	Low limit	Test Result	High limit
Attenuator = 10 dB			
10 MHz - 32 MHz, (Preamp OFF)	-0.2 dB		+0.2 dB
10 MHz - 32 MHz, (Preamp ON)	-0.5 dB		+0.5 dB

Absolute accuracy at calibration point	Low limit	Test Result	High limit
Absolute amplitude SP 300 kHz, RF Path	-0.31 dB		+0.31 dB
Absolute amplitude SP 1 MHz, RF Path	-0.31 dB		+0.31 dB
Absolute amplitude SP 25.1 MHz, RF Path	-0.31 dB		+0.31 dB
Absolute amplitude SP 1 MHz, LF Path	-0.31 dB		+0.31 dB

Absolute accuracy at calibration point, Preamp ON	Low limit	Test Result	High limit
Absolute amplitude SP 300 kHz, RF Path	-0.5 dB		+0.5 dB
Absolute amplitude SP 1 MHz, RF Path	-0.5 dB		+0.5 dB

Absolute accuracy at calibration point, Preamp ON

	Low limit	Test Result	High limit
Absolute amplitude SP 41 MHz, RF Path	-0.5 dB		+0.5 dB
Absolute amplitude SP 300 kHz, LF Path	-0.5 dB		+0.5 dB
Absolute amplitude SP 1 MHz, LF Path	-0.5 dB		+0.5 dB

Third Order Intermodulation Distortion

	Test Result	High limit
2.130 GHz		-82 dBc

Displayed Average Noise Level (DANL)

	Test Result	High limit
Normalized to 1 Hz RBW, with log-average detector		
100 Hz – 2 kHz (LF Band)		-124 dBm/Hz
2 kHz – 10 kHz (LF Band)		-141 dBm/Hz
10 kHz – 32 MHz (LF Band)		-150 dBm/Hz
9 kHz – 1 MHz (RSA5103A/5106A)		-108 dBm/Hz
1 MHz – 10 MHz		-136 dBm/Hz
10 MHz – 2 GHz (RSA5103A/5106A)		-154 dBm/Hz
10 MHz – 2 GHz (RSA5115A/5126A)		-152 dBm/Hz
2 GHz – 3 GHz		-152 dBm/Hz
3 GHz – 4 GHz (RSA5106A/5115A/5126A)		-152 dBm/Hz
4 GHz – 6.2 GHz (RSA5106A/5115A/5126A)		-149 dBm/Hz
6.2 GHz – 13 GHz (RSA5115A/5126A)		-146 dBm/Hz
13 GHz – 23 GHz (RSA5115A/5126A)		-144 dBm/Hz
23 GHz – 26.5 GHz (RSA5126A)		-140 dBm/Hz

Displayed Average Noise Level (DANL)		Test Result	High limit
Preamp ON			
Normalized to 1 Hz RBW, with log-average detector	1 MHz - 32 MHz (LF Band, RSA5103A/5106A)		-158 dBm/Hz
	1 MHz - 10 MHz		-158 dBm/Hz
	10 MHz - 2 GHz		-164 dBm/Hz
	2 GHz - 3 GHz		-163 dBm/Hz
	3 GHz - 6.2 GHz (RSA5106A)		-162 dBm/Hz
	3 GHz - 4 GHz (RSA5115A/5126A)		-160 dBm/Hz
	4 GHz - 6.2 GHz (RSA5115A/5126A)		-159 dBm/Hz
	6.2 GHz - 13 GHz (RSA5115/5126A)		-159 dBm/Hz
	13 GHz - 23 GHz (RSA5115/5126A)		-157 dBm/Hz
23 GHz - 26.5 GHz (RSA5126A)		-153 dBm/Hz	

IF Flatness (Channel Response)	Low limit	Test Result	High limit
Span Setting			
300 kHz	-0.1 dB		+0.1 dB
20 MHz	-0.3 dB		+0.3 dB
25 MHz	-0.3 dB		+0.3 dB
85 MHz (Option 85 only)	-0.5 dB		+0.5 dB
110 MHz (Option 110 only)	-0.5 dB		+0.5 dB

Residual Response	Test Result	High limit
200 MHz - 3 GHz (RSA5103A)		-95 dBm
200 MHz - 6.2 GHz (RSA5106A)		-95 dBm
200 MHz - 15 GHz (RSA5115A)		-95 dBm
200 MHz - 26.5 GHz (RSA5126A)		-95 dBm

Image Suppression	Test Result	High limit
All Models		
10 kHz to <30 MHz (LF Path)		-75 dBc
30 MHz to 3 GHz		-75 dBc

Image Suppression	Test Result	High limit
RSA5106A/5115A/5126A		
3 GHz to 6.2 GHz (RSA5106A/5115A/5126A)		-70 dBc
6.2 GHz to 15 GHz (RSA5115A/5126A)		-76 dBc
15 GHz to 26.5 GHz (RSA5126A)		-72 dBc

Spurious Response with Signal	Low limit	Test Result	High limit
>400 kHz of Center Frequency	Fail		Pass
>400 kHz of Center Frequency (Option 85 only)	Fail		Pass
>400 kHz of Center Frequency (Option 110 only)	Fail		Pass

Spurious Response with Signal (Half IF)	Test Result	High limit
1 GHz		
2 GHz		
3 GHz		
4 GHz (RSA5106A/5115A/5126A)		
5 GHz (RSA5106A/5115A/5126A)		
6 GHz (RSA5106A/5115A/5126A)		
High limit for 1– 6 GHz test points: –78 dBc		
7 GHz (RSA5115A/5126A)		
8 GHz (RSA5115A/5126A)		
10 GHz (RSA5115A/5126A)		
12 GHz (RSA5115A/5126A)		
12.8 GHz (RSA5115A/5126A)		
14 GHz (RSA5115A/5126A)		
14.5 GHz (RSA5115A/5126A)		
17 GHz (RSA5126A)		
20 GHz (RSA5126A)		
23 GHz (RSA5126A)		
25 GHz (RSA5126A)		
High limit for 7 – 25 GHz test points: –80 dBc		