SIGNAL ANALYZERS
Spectrum Analyzers, Bench, 100 Hz to 22 GHz
HP 8566B, 8567A, 8568B

- 100 Hz to 22 GHz coverage with synthesizer accuracy
- 10 kHz to 1.5 GHz coverage at a lower price
- 100 Hz to 1.5 GHz coverage with counter accuracy
- 2 to 22 GHz preselected range
- Trace markers with amplitude and frequency readout
- 16 KB of user RAM for trace data or custom routines

HP 8566B, 8567A, 8568B Spectrum Analyzers
The HP 8566B, 8567A, and 8568B are high-performance spectrum analyzers for bench and ATE system use. The HP 8566B has the highest performance of the three, with a frequency range from 100 Hz to 22 GHz that can be extended to 325 GHz using external mixers. The HP 8567A and 8568B are RF spectrum analyzers with frequency coverage to 1500 MHz. See pages 287 and 288 for specification summaries on all analyzers.

Each analyzer is designed around its own internal bus and controlled by its own microcomputer to yield significant improvements in operational and data processing features as well as flexibility under computer control. Each analyzer has 16 KB of user RAM for storing trace data, instrument states, or custom downloadable programs (DLPs).

HP 8566B Turbo Option
Increase the measurement speed of your HP 8566B spectrum analyzer. A new turbo option (Option 002) nearly doubles the analyzer's processing rate, so your measurements can be made up to 50 percent faster, with 25 percent improvement typical. If you already own an HP 8566B, a turbo retrofit kit is available as Option R02.

Performance
The exceptional frequency stability of both the HP 8566B and the HP 8568B makes it possible to make measurements with a 10 Hz resolution bandwidth. This narrow resolution bandwidth yields sensitivities to -135 dBm in both instruments. Excellent frequency stability, sensitivity, and frequency-reference accuracy combine to allow very accurate measurement of small signals in the presence of large ones.

For applications that don't require the high performance of the HP 8568B, the HP 8567A offers the same speed, versatility, and automatic operation capability at a lower price. Resolution bandwidths as narrow as 1 kHz yield sensitivities as low as -115 dBm.

Flexibility
These spectrum analyzers fit into many applications, such as EMC testing (see page 378), broadband signal surveillance, and component stimulus-response testing. The HP 8444A Option 059 tracking generator adds stimulus-response capabilities to the RF models for a minimal cost. The HP 85644A and 85645A tracking sources add 6.5 GHz and 22 GHz high-performance scalar capability to the HP 8566B (see page 285). Preselected external mixers simplify millimeter-wave measurements from 26.5 to 75 GHz (see page 290).

Usability
The instrument control settings are conveniently shown on the CRT for easy reference. Functions are activated by pressing a front-panel key, then selecting the function value using the knob, step keys, or numeric keyboard. To maintain a calibrated display, certain functions are automatically coupled in the analyzer. For example, resolution bandwidth, video bandwidth, and sweep time are automatically adjusted by the instrument when the frequency span is reduced.

Up to four tunable display markers are available to aid in measuring and analyzing signals. Two markers can be used to make relative measurements by displaying their amplitude and frequency differences. Marker information allows you to step between evenly spaced portions of a spectral display (such as signal harmonics) or "zoom in" on a selected portion of the spectrum. Analyzer control settings can be saved in the non-volatile memory of the analyzer.

Versatile CRT Display and Plotting Capabilities
All displayed information resides in the analyzer's digital memory, which refreshes the CRT at a flicker-free rate. Multiple traces can be displayed to measure residual FM or drift, or to conduct real-time surveillance over a wide frequency range.

By adding an HP-IB interface, hard copy of all information on the display of the analyzer can be made for analysis, documentation, or presentation. Plots can be produced directly or with the aid of a controller.

Custom Softkey Programming
You can create complex measurement routines on an external controller, store the programs in user RAM, and execute them using a single custom softkey.

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### Specification Summary

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<td>100 Hz to 1500 MHz (dc-coupled)</td>
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<td>Drift (per minute of sweeptime, after 1-hour warmup)</td>
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<td>Phase noise (30 kHz offset)</td>
<td>– 107 dBc</td>
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### Amplitude

| Amplitude range | – 155 to + 30 dBm | – 115 to + 30 dBm |
| Log display range | 1, 2, 5, or 10 dB/div for 10, 20, 50, or 90 dB display | 1, 2, 5, or 10 dB/div for 10, 20, 50, or 90 dB display |
| Scale fidelity – incremental Cumulative (20° to 30° C) | ± 0.1 dB/0: 0 to 90 dB | ± 0.1 dB/0: 0 to 90 dB |
| | ± 1.0 dB/0: 0 to 90 dB | ± 0.5 dB/0: 0 to 90 dB |
| | ≤ ± 1.5 dB/0: 0 to 90 dB | ≤ ± 1.5 dB/0: 0 to 90 dB |
| Calibrator uncertainty | ± 0.3 dB | ± 0.3 dB |
| Frequency response (input attenu ≥ 10 dB) | ± 1.5 dB, 100 Hz to 1500 MHz ± 1 dB, 100 kHz to 1500 MHz | ± 1 dB, 10 kHz to 1500 MHz |
| Spurious responses (< – 40 dBm at mixer) | < – 70 dBc (< 10 MHz input sig) | < – 70 dBc (< 10 MHz input sig) |
| Second harmonic distortion (< 30 dB at mixer) | < – 70 dBc (sig ≥ 10 MHz) | < – 70 dBc (sig ≥ 10 MHz) |
| Third order intercept (TOI) | + 10 dBm (sig ≥ 10 MHz) | + 10 dBm (sig ≥ 10 MHz) |
| Residual responses (50 dBm, no input signal) | < 105 dBm | < 100 dBm |
| Gain compression (< – 10 dBm at mixer) | < 0.5 dB | < 1.0 dB |
| Displayed average noise level (0 dBm, 1 Hz Video BW) | < – 112 dBm, 500 Hz to 1 MHz (10 Hz res BW) | < – 92 dBm, 50 kHz to 1 MHz (1 kHz res BW) |
| | < – 135 dBm, > 1 MHz (10 Hz res BW) | < – 115 dBm, > 1 MHz (1 kHz res BW) |
| Sweep time: Zero span Swept | 1 μs to 1500 μs | 1 μs to 1500 μs |
| | 20 ms to 1500 s | 20 ms to 1500 s |

### General Specifications

**Environmental**

**Temperature:** Operation: HP 8568B, 0° to 55° C; HP 8567A, 5° to 55° C; Storage: –40° to + 75° C

**EMI:** Conducted and radiated interference is within the requirements of MIL-STD-461B, C603/part 2 and RE02/part 7, and the requirements of CISPR Pub. 11 and FTZ 526/1979

**Power Requirements:** 100, 120, 220, or 240 Vac (+ 5%, – 10%), 50 to 60 Hz or 400 Hz with Opt 400

**Warmup Time:** 30 min from cold start

**Frequency Reference**

HP 8568B: Freq. within $1 \times 10^{-6}$ of final stable freq. within 30 min

HP 8567A: Freq. within $5 \times 10^{-7}$ of final stable freq. within 30 min

**Size**: (w/o handles): 425.5 mm W \times 279.4 mm H \times 558.8 mm D (16.75 in \times 11 in \times 22 in)

**Weight:** Net, 45 kg (100 lb)

**Inputs**

RF in (Type N), RF in (BNC, 8568B only), ext freq ref in, ext sweep trig in

**Quasi-Peak:** Video in, IF in

**Outputs**

Cal out, display X, Y, and Z out, horiz sweep out, video out, penlift out, 21.4 MHz IF, 1st LO, freq ref, probe power out (HP 8568B only)

**Quasi-Peak:** Video out, IF out

**Key Literature**

HP 8567A Technical Data, p/n 5954-2718.
HP 8568B Technical Data, p/n 5952-9394.

For the most current prices and product information, contact your local Hewlett-Packard sales office—see page 689.

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HP 8566B

HP 8566B Specification Summary

Frequency Range: 100 Hz to 22 GHz with internal mixer; extendable to 110 GHz with HP 11970 external mixers, to 75 GHz with HP 11974 series preselected mixers, and to 325 GHz with mixers from other suppliers

Frequency Span: 0 Hz, 100 Hz to 22 GHz, variable in approximately 1% increments

Frequency Reference Error: Aging rate, <1 x 10⁻¹/day, <2.5 x 10⁻¹/year

Temperature Stability: <7 x 10⁻⁶, 0° to 55°C

Resolution Bandwidth: 3 dB bandwidths of 10 Hz to 3 MHz in a 1, 3, 10 sequence

Bandwidth Selectivity, 60 dB/3 dB ratio: <12, 30 Hz to 1 kHz; <15, 3 kHz to 30 kHz;

Bandwidth Shape: synchronously tuned, 4- or 5-pole filters, approximately Gaussian shape

Video Bandwidth: 1 Hz to 3 MHz in a 1, 3, 10 sequence

Residual FM (typical peak-to-peak, fundamental mixing mode): <30 kHz peak-to-peak, frequency span > 5 MHz

Drift (typical, after 1-hour warmup at stabilized temperature): <10 kHz/min of sweep time, frequency span ≤ 100 kHz; <500 kHz/min of sweep time, frequency span 100 kHz to 5 MHz; <5 kHz/min of sweep time, frequency span ≥ 5 MHz

Spectral Purity
Noise Sidebands (center frequency 100 Hz to 5.8 GHz): 320 Hz offset, < -80 dBc/Hz; 1 kHz offset, < -85 dBc/Hz; 10 kHz offset, < -90 dBc/Hz, 100 kHz offset, < -105 dBc/Hz

Amplitude
Amplitude Range (dBm): -134 to +30, 1 MHz to 2.5 GHz; -132 to +30, 2 to 5.8 GHz; -125 to +30, 5.8 to 12.5 GHz; -119 to +30, 12.5 to 18.6 GHz; -114 to +30, 18.6 to 22 GHz

Log Display Range: 1, 2, 5, or 10 dB/division for 10, 20, 50, or 90 dB scales, respectively

Scale Fidelity: ±0.1 dB/over 0 to 80 dB display (20° to 30°C); ±1.0 dB/over 0 to 80 dB display; ±1.5 dB/over 0 to 90 dB display

Calibrator Uncertainty: ±0.3 dB

Frequency Response (10 dB input attenu): 100 Hz to 2.5 GHz, ±0.6 dB; 2 to 12.5 GHz, ±1.7 dB; 12.5 to 20 GHz, ±2.2 dB; 20 to 22 GHz, ±3.0 dB, res BW ≥ 30 Hz

Dynamic Range

Spurious responses: < -70 dBc for mixer levels ≤ -40 dBm

Second harmonic distortion
Unpreselected, mixer levels ≤ -40 dBm: < -70 dBc, 100 Hz to 2.5 GHz; < -80 dBc, 50 to 700 MHz

Preselected, mixer levels ≤ -10 dBm: < -100 dBc, 2 to 22 GHz

Third order intercept (TOI): > +5 dBm, 100 Hz to 5 MHz; > +7 dBm, 5 MHz to 5.8 GHz; > +5 dBm, 5.8 to 18.6 GHz

Image responses: < -70 dBc, 2 GHz to 18.6 GHz; < -60 dBc, 18.6 to 20 GHz; < -50 dBc, 20 to 22 GHz

Multiple responses: < -70 dBc, 2 GHz to 22 GHz

Out-of-band responses: < -60 dBc, 2 to 22 GHz (tuned freq.)

Residual responses (0 dB input attenu, no input signal): < -100 dBm, 100 Hz to 5.8 GHz; < -95 dBm, 5.8 to 12.5 GHz; < -85 dBm, 12.5 to 18.6 GHz; < -80 dBm, 18.6 to 22 GHz

Gain compression (6 + 5 dBm at mixer): < -10 dB, 100 Hz to 22 GHz

Displayed average noise level (0 dB input attenu, 10 Hz res BW)
Unpreselected: < -95 dBm, 100 Hz to 50 kHz; < -112 dBm, 50 kHz to 1 MHz; < -134 dBm, 1 MHz to 2.5 GHz

Preselected: < -132 dBm, 2 to 5.8 GHz; < -125.5, 5.8 to 12.5 GHz; < -119 dBm, 12.5 to 18.6 GHz; < -114 dBm, 18.6 to 22 GHz

Sweep Time
Zero Span: 1 μs to 1500 s
Swapt: 20 ms to 1500 s

Accuracy: ±10% ≤ 200 s sweep times; ≤30% > 200 s sweep times

Trigger: Free run, line, video, external, continuous, and single

General Specifications

Temperature: Operation, 0° to 55°C; storage, -40° to +75°C

Humidity: Operation type-tested to 95% RH, 25° to 40°C

EMI: Conducted and radiated interference is within the requirements of MIL-STD-461C, Part 7, REO2 and CE03 (Air Force), and the requirements of CISPR Pub. 11, FTZ 526.527.79, VDE 0851

Power Requirements: 100, 120, 220, or 240 Vac (+5%, -10%), 50 to 60 Hz or 400 Hz with Opt 400

Warmup Time Operation: 30 min from cold start (0° to 55°C)

Frequency reference: Frequency within 1 x 10⁻⁷ of final stable frequency within 30 min

Size (w/out handles): 425.5 mm W x 279.4 mm H x 598.5 mm D

Weight: Net, 50 kg (112 lb)

Inputs
RF in (Type N), ext freq ref in, ext sweep trig in

Quasi-Peak: Video in, IF in

Outputs
Cal out, 1st LO out, IF out, sweep + tune out, display X, Y, Z out, horiz sweep out, video out, penlift out, 21.4 MHz IF out, freq ref, 10 MHz

Quasi-Peak: Video out, IF out

Key Literature
HP 8566B Technical Data, p/n 5091-3385E

Ordering Information
HP 8566B Spectrum Analyzer

Price

Opt 002 Turbo Option
$75,800

Opt 002 Turbo Retrofit Kit
$2,550

Opt 016 Installed EMI Receiver Functions
+$3,165

Opt 040 400 Hz Power-Line Frequency Operation
+$435

Opt W30 Three-Year Customer Return Repair
+$750

Opt W32 Three-Year Customer Return Calibration
+$3,715

Opt W50 Five-Year Customer Return Repair
+$3,460

Opt W52 Five-Year Customer Return Calibration
+$6,690

Opt 462 Impulse Bandwidths for EMI Measurements
+$2,150

Opt 010 Rack Mount Slide Kit
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Opt 908 Rack Flange Kit (instrument w/out handles)
+$56

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Opt 1BP MIL-STD 45622A Calibration Certification
+$204

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+$510

With Test Data

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