

# Agilent E8267D PSG Vector Signal Generator

Data Sheet



The Agilent E8267D is a fully synthesized signal generator with high output power, low phase noise, and I/Q modulation capability.

Specifications apply over a 0 to 55 °C range, unless otherwise stated, and apply after a 45 minute warm-up time. Supplemental characteristics, denoted as typical, nominal, or measured, provide additional (non-warranted) information at 25 °C, which may be useful in the application of the product.

# **Definitions**

**Specifications (spec):** Represents warranted performance for instruments with a current calibration.

**Typical (typ):** Represents characteristic performance which is non-warranted. Describes performance that will be met by a minimum of 80% of all products.

**Nominal (nom):** Represents characteristic performance which is non-warranted. Represents the value of a parameter that is most likely to occur; the expected mean or average.

**Measured:** Represents characteristic performance which is non-warranted. Represents the value of a parameter measured on an instrument during design stage.



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# **Specifications**

### **Frequency**

Sweep range				
Operating modes	Step sweep of frequency or amp List sweep of frequency or amp			
	00 12 (hom)			
Input impedance	50 $\Omega$ (nom)			
Option UNX	$5 \text{ dBm} \pm 5 \text{ dB}^6$			
Amplitude	> –3 dBm			
Amplitude External reference input	> +4 dBm into 50 Ω loa	u (typ)		
Frequency	10 MHz	d (tup)		
Reference output				
Lock range	±0.2 ppm	±1.0 ppm		
External reference frequency	1, 2, 2.5, 5, 10 MHz	10 MHz only		
	+5% to -10% change	for ±10% change		
Line voltage effects (typ)	< ±2 x 10 <sup>-9</sup> for	$< \pm 2 \times 10^{-10}$		
Temperature effects (typ)	< ±5 x 10 <sup>-8</sup> 0 to 55 °C	< ±4.5 x 10 <sup>-9</sup> 0 to 55 °C		
	after 45 days	after 30 days		
	< ±4.5 x 10 <sup>-9</sup> /day	< ±2.5 x 10 <sup>-10</sup> /day		
Aging rate	< ±1 x 10 <sup>-7</sup> /year or	< ±3 x10 <sup>-8</sup> /year or		
	Standard	Option UNX		
Internal timebase reference os	scillator			
	± line voltage effects (nom)			
Accuracy	± aging rate ± temperature effects			
9	> 28.5 to 44 GHz	5		
8	> 20 to 28.5 GHz	3		
7	> 10 to 20 GHz	2		
6	> 3.2 to 10 GHz	1		
5	> 2 to 3.2 GHz	1/2		
4	> 1 to 2 GHz	1/4		
3	> 500 MHz to 1 GHz	1/8		
2	> 250 to 500 MHz	1/16		
1	250 kHz to 250 MHz	1/8		
Band	Frequency range	N <sup>5</sup>		
Frequency bands				
Phase offset	Adjustable in nominal 0			
owneeding speed	< 24  ms (typ)  with I/Q			
Switching speed <sup>3, 4</sup>	< 16 ms (typ) with I/Q	modulation off		
All sweep modes	0.001 Hz <sup>2</sup>			
CW	0.001 Hz			
Resolution	230 KHZ 10 44 GHZ			
Option 532 Option 544	250 kHz to 31.8 GHz 250 kHz to 44 GHz			
Option 520	250 kHz to 20 GHz			
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### Step (digital) sweep

Operating modes	Step sweep of frequency or amplitude or both (start to stop)		
	List sweep of frequency or amplitude or both (arbitrary list)		
Sweep range			
Frequency sweep	Within instrument frequency range		
Amplitude sweep	Within attenuator hold range (see "Output" section)		
Dwell time	1 ms to 60 s		
Number of points	2 to 65535 (step sweep)		
	2 to 1601 per table (list sweep)		
Triggering	Auto, external, single, or GPIB		
Settling time			
Frequency	< 8 ms <sup>7</sup> (typ)		
Amplitude	< 5 ms (typ)		

<sup>1.</sup> Operational, but unspecified, down to 100 kHz.

<sup>2.</sup> In ramp sweep mode (Option 007), resolution is limited with narrow spans and slow sweep speeds. Refer to ramp sweep specifications for more information.

<sup>3.</sup> Time from GPIB trigger to frequency within 0.1 ppm of final frequency above 250 MHz or within 100 Hz below 250 MHz.

<sup>4.</sup> Add 12 ms (typ) when switching from greater than 3.2 GHz to less than 3.2 GHz.

<sup>5.</sup> N is a factor used to help define certain specifications within the document.

<sup>6.</sup> To optimize phase noise 5 dBm  $\pm$  2 dB.

<sup>7. 19</sup> ms (typ) when stepping from greater than 3.2 GHz to less than 3.2 GHz.

# **Ramp (analog) sweep** (Option 007)<sup>1</sup>

Operating modes		• Supthaciza	d fraguanay awaar				
operating modes			d frequency sweep	C\M/)			
	(start/stop), (center/span), (swept CW)						
	<ul> <li>Power (amplitude) sweep (start/stop)</li> <li>Manual sweep RPG control between start and stop frequencies</li> </ul>						
		Alternate s					
	veen current and						
0		stored state					
Sweep span range	0		minimum <sup>2</sup> to full range				
Maximum sweep rate	Start f	requency	Maximum sweep rate	Max span for			
				100 ms sweep			
		z  to  < 0.5  GHz		2.5 GHz			
	0.0 10	< 1 GHz	50 MHz/ms	5 GHz			
		2 GHz	100 MHz/ms	10 GHz			
		3.2 GHz	200 MHz/ms	20 GHz			
	≥ 3.2 0		400 MHz/ms	40 GHz			
Frequency accuracy		$\pm$ 0.05% of span $\pm$ timebase (at 100 ms sweep time, for					
		sweep spans less than maximum values given above)					
		Accuracy improves proportionally as sweep time increases <sup>3</sup>					
<b>Sweep time</b> vals)	(forward sweep, not including bandswitch and retrace inter-			and retrace inter-			
Manual mode		Settable 10 m	ns to 200 seconds				
Resolution		1 ms					
Auto mode		Set to minim	um value determined by	maximum sweep			
		rate and 8757	D setting				
Triggering		Auto, externa	I, single, or GPIB				
Markers		10 independe	nt continuously variable	frequency markers			
Display		Z-axis intensi	ty or RF amplitude pulse	9			
Functions		M1 to center, M1/M2 to start/stop, marker delta					
Two-tone (master/slav	e)						
measurements <sup>4</sup>	easurements <sup>4</sup> Two PSGs can synchronously track each other, with			ach other, with			
independent control of start/stop frequencies			quencies				
Network analyzer compa	atibility						
		network analyzer <sup>5</sup>					
		Also useable with Agilent 8757A/C/E scalar network analyzers for making basic swept measurements. <sup>6</sup>					

<sup>1.</sup> During ramp sweep operation, AM, FM, phase modulation, and pulse modulation are useable but performance is not specified; wideband AM and I/Q modulation are not useable.

<sup>2.</sup> Minimum settable sweep span is proportional to carrier frequency and sweep time. Actual sweep span may be slightly different than desired setting for spans less than [0.00004% of carrier frequency or 140 Hz] x [sweep time in seconds]. Actual span will always be displayed correctly.

<sup>3.</sup> Typical accuracy for sweep times > 100 ms can be calculated from the equation: [(0.005% of span)/(sweep time in seconds)]  $\pm$  timebase. Accuracy is not specified for sweep times < 100 ms.

<sup>4.</sup> For master/slave operation, use Agilent part number 8120-8806 master/slave interface cable.

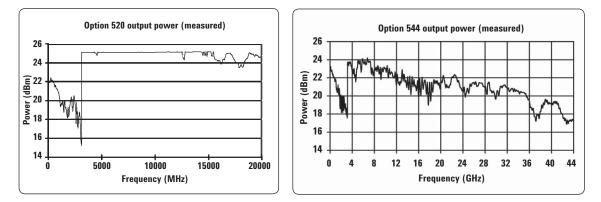
<sup>5.</sup> When measuring low-pass devices in AC mode, dynamic range may be reduced up to 10 dB below 3.2 GHz. An external highpass filter may be required to remove 27 kHz pulse source feed-through (11742A 45 MHz to 26.5 GHz blocking capacitor recommended).

<sup>6.</sup> GPIB system interface is not supported with 8757A/C/E, only with 8757D. As a result, some features of the 8757A/C/E, such as frequency display, pass-through mode, and alternate sweep, do not function with PSG signal generators.

### Output

Power <sup>1, 2</sup> (dBm)	
Frequency range	spec (typ)
Option 520	
250 kHz to 3.2 GHz	-130 to +13 (+16)
250 kHz to 3.2 GHz with Option UNW	-130 to +9 (+13)
250 kHz to 3.2 GHz with Option 1EH	–130 to +10 (+13) <sup>3</sup>
250 kHz to 3.2 GHz with Options UNW and 1EH	–130 to +7 (+12) <sup>3</sup>
> 3.2 to 10 GHz	-130 to +18 (+23) <sup>4</sup>
> 10 to 20 GHz	-130 to +18 (+22) <sup>4</sup>
Options 532 and 544	
250 kHz to 3.2 GHz	-130 to +12 (+15)
250 kHz to 3.2 GHz with Option UNW	-130 to +8 (+12)
250 kHz to 3.2 GHz with Option 1EH	–130 to +9 (+12) <sup>3</sup>
250 kHz to 3.2 GHz with Options UNW and 1EH	–130 to +6 (+11) <sup>3</sup>
> 3.2 to 10 GHz	–130 to +14 (+21) <sup>4</sup>
> 10 to 20 GHz	-130 to +14 (+18) <sup>4</sup>
> 20 to 32 GHz	–130 to +14 (+18) <sup>5</sup>
> 32 to 40 GHz	–130 to +12 (+18) <sup>5</sup>
> 40 to 44 GHz	–130 to +10 (+13) <sup>5</sup>
Step attenuator <sup>6</sup>	0 to 115 dB in 5 dB steps

Maximum available power in CW mode (measured)



Attenuator hold range	
Minimum	From –15 dBm to maximum specified output power with step attenuator in 0 dB position. Can be offset using step attenuator.
Amplitude switching speed <sup>7</sup>	
ALC on or off (without power search)	< 3 ms (typ)

1. Maximum power specification is warranted from 15 to 35 °C, and is typical from 0 to 15 °C. Maximum power over the 35 to 55 °C range typically degrades less than 2 dB unlessotherwise stated.

2. With I/Q modulation on, maximum power specification is typical. With external inputs enabled,  $\sqrt{(l^2 + Q^2)} > 0.2 V_{rms.}$ 

3. With harmonic filters switched off. With filters on, maximum output power is reduced 3 dB for frequencies below 2 GHz.

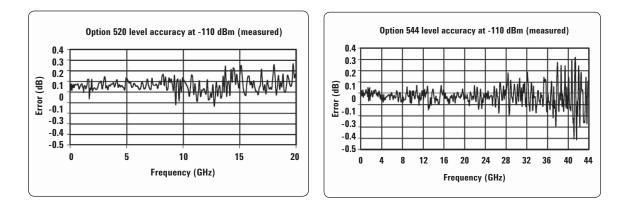
4. With I/Q modulation on, maximum power specification is typically reduced 3 dB.

 Maximum power over the 35 to 55 °C range typically degrades less than 4 dB. With I/Q modulation on, maximum power specification is typically reduced 5 dB.

6. The step attenuator provides coarse power attenuation to achieve low power levels. Fine power level adjustment is provided by the ALC (Automatic Level Control) within the attenuator hold range.

7. To within 0.1 dB of final amplitude within one attenuator range. Add 10 to 50 ms when using power search.

Level accuracy <sup>1</sup> (dB)							
Frequency	> +10 dBm	+10 to –10 dBm	–10 to –70 dBm	–70 to –90 dBm			
250 kHz to 2 GHz	±0.6	±0.6	±0.7	±0.8			
> 2 to 20 GHz	±0.8	±0.8	±0.9	±1.0			
>20 to 32 GHz	±1.0	±0.9	±1.0	±1.7			
> 32 to 44 GHz	±1.0	±0.9	±1.5	±2.0			
<b>CW level accuracy with I/Q modulation</b> (With PRBS modulated data) (relative to CW) <sup>2</sup>							
With ALC on:							
QAM or QPSK formats <sup>3</sup> $\pm$ 0.2 dB							
Constant-amplitude	formats (FSK,	± 0.2 dB					
With ALC off: <sup>4</sup>		± 0.2 dB (typ)					
Level accuracy (measured)							



Resolution	0.01 dB		
Temperature stability	0.01 dB∕ °C (typ) <sup>5</sup>		
User flatness correction			
Number of points	2 to 1601 points/table		
Number of tables	Up to 10,000, memory limited		
Path loss	Arbitrary, within attenuator range		
Entry modes	Remote power meter <sup>6</sup> , remote bus, manual		
	(user edit/view)		
Output impedance	50 Ω (nom)		
SWR (internally leveled)			
250 kHz to 2 GHz	< 1.4:1 (typ)		
> 2 GHz to 20 GHz	< 1.6:1 (typ)		
> 20 GHz	< 1.8:1 (typ)		
Leveling modes	Internal leveling, external detector leveling,		
	millimeter source module, ALC off		

- 3. Measured with symbol rate > 10 kHz and power  $\leq$  0 dBm.
- 4. Relative to ALC on, after power search is executed. When applying external I/Q signals with ALC off, output level will vary directly with I/Q input level.
- 5. Options 532 and 544: 0.02 dB/°C (typ) above 2 GHz.
- 6. Compatible with Agilent EPM Series (E4418B and E4419B) power meters.

Specifications apply in CW and list/step sweep modes over the 15 to 35 °C temperature range, with attenuator hold off (normal operating mode). Degradation outside this range, for ALC power levels > -5 dBm, is typically < 0.3 dB. In ramp sweep mode (with Option 007), specifications are typical. For instruments with Type-N connectors (Option 1ED), specifications are degraded typically 0.2 dB above 18 GHz. Specifications do not apply above the maximum specified power.

<sup>2.</sup> If external inputs are used, specification applies with input level  $\sqrt{(l^2 + \Omega^2)} = 0.3 V_{rms}$  and I/Q modulator attenuation is internally optimized based on input levels.

External detector leveling	
Range	-0.2 mV to -0.5 V (nom) (-36 dBm to +4 dBm using
-	Agilent 33330D/E detector)
Bandwidth	Selectable 0.1 to 100 kHz (nom) (Note: not intended
	for pulsed operation)
Maximum reverse power	1/2 Watt, 0 V <sub>DC</sub>

### **Spectral purity**

 Harmonics <sup>1</sup> (at +10 dBm or maximum specified output power, whichever is lower)

 < 10 MHz</td>
 -28 dBc (typical below 1 MHz)

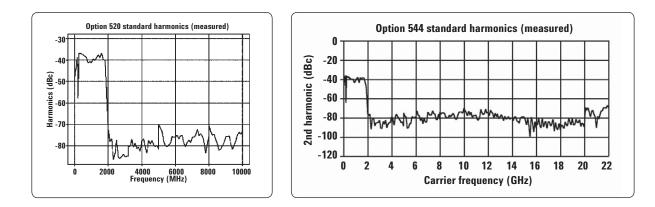
 10 MHz to 2 GHz
 -30 dBc<sup>2, 3</sup>

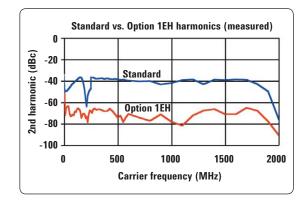
 10 MHz to 2 GHz (with Option 1EH filters on)
 -55 dBc<sup>4</sup>

 > 2 GHz to 20 GHz
 -55 dBc

 > 20 GHz to 44 GHz
 -45 dBc

Harmonics (measured)





<sup>1.</sup> Specifications are typical for harmonics beyond specified frequency range.

<sup>2.</sup> Specification applies to units with serial numbers ending with 45160000 or greater. For serial numbers below that, the specification is -28 dBc.

<sup>3.</sup> Typical below 250 MHz if Option 1EH is installed and the filters are off.

<sup>4.</sup> In ramp sweep mode (Option 007), harmonics are -30 dBc below 250 MHz.

Sub-harmonics <sup>1</sup>	(At +10 dBm	or maximum specified output		
	power, whichever is lower)			
250 kHz to 10 GHz	None	,		
> 10 GHz to 20 GHz	<-60 dBc			
> 20 GHz to 44 GHz	<45 dBc			
Non-harmonics <sup>2</sup>	(dBc at +10	dBm or maximum specified output		
	power, which	never is lower, for offsets > 3 kHz		
	[> 300 Hz wi	th Option UNX or UNR])		
Frequency	Spec	Typical		
250 kHz to 250 MHz	-65	-72 for > 10 kHz offsets		
> 250 MHz to 1 GHz	-80	-88		
> 1 to 2 GHz	-74	-82		
> 2 to 3.2 GHz	-68	-76		
> 3.2 to 10 GHz	-62	-70		
> 10 to 20 GHz	-56	64		
> 20 to 28.5 GHz	-52	60		
> 28.5 to 44 GHz	-48	-56		
SSB phase noise (CW)	20 kHz offset	t from carrier (dBc/Hz)		
Frequency	Spec	Typical		
250 kHz to 250 MHz <sup>3</sup>	-130	-134		
> 250 to 500 MHz <sup>3</sup>	-134	-138		
> 500 MHz to 1 GHz <sup>3</sup>	-130	-134		
> 1 to 2 GHz <sup>3</sup>	-124	-128		
> 2 to 3.2 GHz	-120	-124		
> 3.2 to 10 GHz	-110	-113		
> 10 to 20 GHz	-104	-108		
> 20 to 28.5 GHz	-100	-104		
> 28.5 GHz	-96	-100		

<sup>1.</sup> Sub-harmonics are defined as Carrier Freq / N). Specifications are typical for sub-harmonics beyond specified frequency range.

<sup>2.</sup> Performance is typical for spurs at frequencies above the maximum operating frequency of the instrument. Specifications apply for CW mode, without modulation. In ramp sweep mode (Option 007), performance is typical for offsets > 1 MHz.

<sup>3.</sup> Measured at +10 dBm or maximum specified output power, whichever is less.

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	Offset from carrier and Phase Noise (dBc/Hz)							
Frequency	1 Hz	10 Hz	100 Hz	1 kHz	10 kHz	100 kHz		
	Spec (typ)	Spec (typ)	Spec (typ)	Spec (typ)	Spec (typ)	Spec (typ)		
250 kHz to 250 MHz <sup>2</sup>	-58 (-66)	-87 (-94)	-104 (-120)	-121 (-128)	-128 (-132)	-130 (-133)		
> 250 to 500 MHz <sup>2</sup>	-61 (-72)	-88 (-98)	-108 (-118)	-126 (-132)	-132 (-136)	-136 (-141)		
> 500 MHz to 1 GHz <sup>2</sup>	-57 (-65)	-84 (-93)	-101 (-111)	-121 (-130)	-130 (-134)	-130 (-135)		
> 1 to 2 GHz <sup>2</sup>	-51 (-58)	-79 (-86)	-96 (-106)	-115 (-124)	-124 (-129)	-124 (-129)		
> 2 to 3.2 GHz	-46 (-54)	-74 (-82)	-92 (-102)	-111 (-120)	-120 (-124)	-120 (-124)		
> 3.2 to 10 GHz	-37 (-44)	-65 (-72)	-81 (-92)	-101 (-109)	-110 (-114)	-110 (-115)		
> 10 to 20 GHz	-31 (-38)	-59 (-66)	-75 (-87)	-95 (-106)	-104 (-107)	-104 (-109)		
> 20 to 28.5 GHz	-25 (-34)	-56 (-62)	-72 (-83)	-92 (-102)	-100 (-103)	-100 (-105)		
> 28.5 to 44 GHz	-20 (-30)	-51 (-58)	-68 (-77)	-88 (-97)	-96 (-99)	-96 (-101)		

### Option UNX: Absolute SSB phase noise (CW)<sup>1</sup>

Option UNX: Residual SSB phase noise (CW)<sup>1</sup>

	Offset from carrier and Phase Noise (dBc/Hz)					
Frequency	1 Hz Spec (typ)	10 Hz Spec (typ)	100 Hz Spec (typ)	1 kHz Spec (typ)	10 kHz Spec (typ)	100 kHz Spec (typ)
250 kHz to 250 MHz <sup>2</sup>	(-94)	-100 (-107)	-110 (-118)	-120 (-126)	-128 (-132)	-130 (-133)
> 250 to 500 MHz <sup>2</sup>	(—101)	-105 (-112)	-115 (-122)	-124 (-131)	-132 (-136)	-136 (-141)
> 500 MHz to 1 GHz <sup>2</sup>	(-94)	-100 (-107)	—110 (—118)	-120 (-126)	-130 (-134)	-130 (-134)
> 1 to 2 GHz <sup>2</sup>	(89)	-96 (-101)	-104 (-112)	-114 (-120)	—124 (—129)	-124 (-129)
> 2 to 3.2 GHz	(—85)	-92 (-97)	-100 (-108)	-110 (-116)	-120 (-124)	-120 (-124)
> 3.2 to 10 GHz	(-74)	(—87)	(–98)	(—106)	(–114)	(–115)

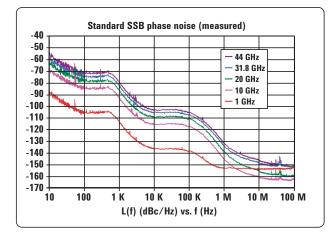
Residual FM	
(RMS, 50 Hz to 15 kHz band	dwidth)
CW mode	< N x 8 Hz (typ)
Option UNX	< N x 4 Hz (typ)
Ramp sweep mode	< N x 1 kHz (typ)
Broadband noise	(CW mode at +10 dBm or maximum specified output
	power, whichever is lower, for offsets > 10 MHz)
> 2.4 to 20 GHz	<
> 20 GHz	< -141 dBc/Hz (typ)

Phase noise specifications are warranted from 15 to 35 °C.
 Measured at +10 dBm or maximum specified power, whichever is less.

Measured phase noise with an Agilent E5500 phase noise measurement system and plotted without spurs

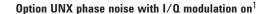
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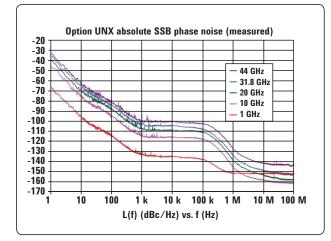
**Option UNX phase noise** 

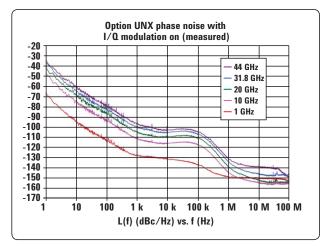


### Standard phase noise with I/Q modulation on (measured) -40 -50 -60 - 44 GHz -70 - 31.8 GHz -80 – 20 GHz -90 - 10 GHz -100 – 1 GHz -110 -120 -130 -140 -150 -160 -170 10 100 1 K 10<sup>'</sup>K 100 K 1 M 10<sup>'</sup>M 100 M L(f) (dBc/Hz) vs. f (Hz)

### Standard phase noise with I/Q modulation on<sup>1</sup>

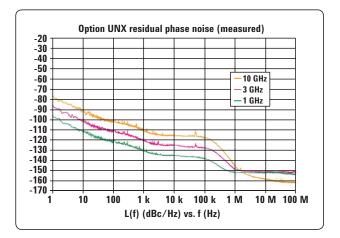




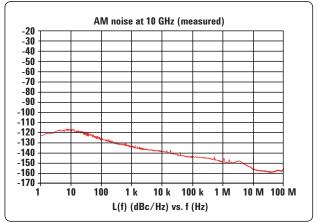


### 1. External I/Q input level $\sqrt{(l^2 + Q^2)} = 250$ mVrms, I/Q modulator attenuator set to auto.

### **Option UNX phase noise**



### AM noise at 10 GHz



Measured RMS	S jitter: <sup>1</sup>			
Standard	-			
Carrier	SONET/SDH	RMS jitter	Unit intervals	Time
frequency	data rates	bandwidth	(µUI)	(fs)
155 MHz	155 MB/s	100 Hz to 1.5 MHz	25	158
622 MHz	622 MB/s	1 kHz to 5 MHz	21	34
2.488 GHz	2488 MB/s	5 kHz to 20 MHz	57	23
9.953 GHz	9953 MB/s	10 kHz to 80 MHz	152	15
39.812 GHz	39812 MB/s	40 kHz to 320 MHz	627	16
Option UNX				
Carrier	SONET/SDH	RMS jitter	Unit intervals	Time
frequency	data rates	bandwidth	(µUI)	(fs)
155 MHz	155 MB/s	100 Hz to 1.5 MHz	23	151
622 MHz	622 MB/s	1 kHz to 5 MHz	19	30
2.488 GHz	2488 MB/s	5 kHz to 20 MHz	56	22
9.953 GHz	9953 MB/s	10 kHz to 80 MHz	152	15
39.812 GHz	39812 MB/s	40 kHz to 320 MHz	626	16

### **Frequency modulation**

(Option UNT)

Maximum deviation <sup>2</sup>	Frequency	Maximum deviation	
	250 kHz to 250 MHz	2 MHz	
	> 250 to 500 MHz	1 MHz	
	> 500 MHz to 1 GHz	2 MHz	
	> 1 GHz to 2 GHz	4 MHz	
	> 2 GHz to 3.2 GHz	8 MHz	
	> 3.2 GHz to 10 GHz	16 MHz	
	> 10 GHz to 20 GHz	32 MHz	
	> 20 GHz to 28.5 GHz	48 MHz	
	> 28.5 GHz to 44 GHz	80 MHz	
Resolution	0.1% of deviation or 1	Hz, whichever is greater	
Deviation accuracy	$< \pm 3.5\%$ of FM deviat	$< \pm 3.5\%$ of FM deviation + 20 Hz	
	(1 kHz rate, deviations	< N x 800 kHz)	
Modulation frequency respon	<b>ise<sup>3</sup> (at 100 kHz deviation)</b>		
Path [coupling]	1 dB bandwidth	3 dB bandwidth (typ)	
FM path 1 [DC]	DC to 100 kHz	DC to 10 MHz	
FM path 2 [DC]	DC to 100 kHz	DC to 1 MHz	
FM path 1 [AC]	20 Hz to 100 kHz	5 Hz to 10 MHz	
FM path 2 [AC]	20 Hz to 100 kHz	5 Hz to 1 MHz	
DC FM <sup>4</sup> carrier offset	±0.1% of set deviation	, ,	
Distortion	< 1% (1 kHz rate, devia		
Sensitivity	±1 V <sub>peak</sub> for indicated		
Paths		FM1 and FM2 are summed internally for composite	
		modulation. Either path may be switched to any	
		one of the modulation sources: Ext1, Ext2, internal1,	
	internal2. The FM2 pat	internal2. The FM2 path is limited to a maximum	
		2 path must be set to a	
	deviation less than FM	11.	

- 2. Through any combination of path1, path2, or path1 + path2.
- 3. Specifications apply in CW and list/step sweep modes. During ramp sweep operation (Option 007), 3 dB bandwidth is typically 50 kHz to 10 MHz (FM1 path), and 50 kHz to 1 MHz (FM2 path).

<sup>1.</sup> Calculated from phase noise performance in CW mode only at +10 dBm. For other frequencies, data rate, or bandwidths, please contact your sales representative.

<sup>4.</sup> At the calibrated deviation and carrier frequency, within 5 °C of ambient temperature at time of user calibration.

### **Phase modulation**

(Option UNT)

Maximum deviation <sup>1</sup>	Frequency	Normal BW mode	High BW mode
	250 kHz to 250 MHz	20 rad	2 rad
	> 250 to 500 MHz	10 rad	1 rad
	> 500 MHz to 1 GHz	20 rad	2 rad
	> 1 GHz to 2 GHz	40 rad	4 rad
	> 2 GHz to 3.2 GHz	80 rad	8 rad
	> 3.2 GHz to 10 GHz	160 rad	16 rad
	> 10 GHz to 20 GHz	320 rad	32 rad
	> 20 GHz to 28.5 GHz	480 rad	48 rad
	> 28.5 GHz to 44 GHz	800 rad	80 rad
Resolution	0.1% of set deviation	ion	
Deviation accuracy	$< \pm 5\%$ of deviation + 0.01 radians (1 kHz rate, normal BW mode)		
Modulation frequency	response <sup>2</sup>		
	Normal BW mode	High BV	V mode
Rates (3 dB BW)	DC to 100 kHz DC to 1MHz (typ) <sup>3</sup>		VIHz (typ) <sup>3</sup>
Distortion	< 1 % (1 kHz rate, Total Harmonic Distortion (THD),		tion (THD),
	dev < N x 80 rad,	normal BW mode)	
Sensitivity	±1 V <sub>peak</sub> for indicated deviation		
Paths	ΦM1 and ΦM2 are summed internally for composite		
modulation. Either path		bath may be switched to any one of	
	the modulation so	urces: Ext1, Ext2, inter	nal1, internal2.
	The ΦM2 path mu	st be set to a deviation	n less than ΦM1.

### **Amplitude modulation**<sup>4</sup>

(Option UNT) (typical)

Depth		
	Linear mode	Exponential (log) mode (downward modulation only)
Maximum		
ALC On	> 90%	> 20 dB
ALC Off with power search <sup>5</sup> or ALC On with Deep AM <sup>6</sup>	> 95%	> 40 dB
Settable	0 to 100 %	0 to 40 dB
Resolution	0.1%	0.01 dB
Accuracy (1 kHz rate)	< ±(6 % of setting + 1 %)	$< \pm (2\% \text{ of setting} + 0.2 \text{ dB})$
Ext sensitivity	±1 V <sub>peak</sub> for indicated depth	-1 V <sub>peak</sub> for indicated depth
Rates (3 dB bandwidth, 30%	depth)	
DC coupled	0 to 100 kHz	
AC coupled	10 Hz to 100 kHz (useable to 1 MHz)	
Distortion (1 kHz rate, linear	mode, Total Harmonic Distortion	(THD))
30% AM	< 1.5%	
60% AM	< 2 %	
Paths	AM1 and AM2 are summed internally for composite	
	modulation. Either path may be switched to any one of the	
	modulation sources: Ext1, Ext2,	internal1, internal2.

1. Through any combination of path1, path2, or path1 + path2.

 Specifications apply in CW and list/step sweep modes. During ramp sweep operation (Option 007), 3 dB bandwidth is typically 50 kHz to 1 MHz (high BW mode).

3. Path 1 is useable to 4 MHz for external inputs less than 0.3  $V_{\text{peak}}.$ 

4. AM specifications are typical. For carrier frequencies below 2 MHz, AM is useable but not specified. Unless otherwise stated, specifications apply with ALC on and envelope peaks within ALC operating range (-15 dBm to maximum specified power, excluding step attenuator setting).

5. ALC Off is used for narrow pulse modulation and/or high AM depths, with envelope peaks below ALC operating range. Carrier power level will be accurate after a Power Search is executed.

6. ALC On with Deep AM provides high AM depths together with closed-loop internal leveling. This mode can be used with a repetitive AM waveform (frequency > 10 Hz) with peaks > -5 dBm (nominal, excluding step-attenuator setting).

External modulation inputs	Modulation types	AM, FM, and ΦM
(Ext1 & Ext2)	Input impedance	50 or 600 $\Omega$ (nom), switched
	High/low indicator	
(Option UNT)	(100 Hz to 10 MHz BW,	Activated when input level error exceeds 3%
	ac coupled inputs only)	(nom)
Internal medulation accura		
Internal modulation source		e two independent signals (internal1 and internal2) for
(Option UNT)	use with AM, FM, ΦM, or LF Out	t
	Waveforms	Sine, square, positive ramp, negative ramp,
		triangle, Gaussian noise, uniform noise, swept
		sine, dual sine <sup>1</sup>
	Rate range	
	Sine	0.5 Hz to 1 MHz
	Square, ramp, triangle	0.5 Hz to 100 kHz
	Resolution	0.5 Hz
	Accuracy	Same as timebase
	LF out	
	Output	Internal1 or internal2. Also provides monitoring
		of internal1 or internal2 when used for AM, FM,
		or ΦM.
	Amplitude	0 to 3 V <sub>peak</sub> , into 50 $\Omega$ (nom)
	Output impedance	50 Ω (nom)

Swept sine mode: (frequency, phase continuous)

Operating modes

Frequency range

Sweep rate sweep

Resolution

Wideband AM

Rate (typical 1 dB bandwidt	h)
ALC on	1 kHz to 80 MHz
ALC off	DC to 80 MHz
External I input	
Sensitivity	0.5 V = 100%
Input impedance	50 Ω (nom)

1 Hz to 1 MHz

times 10  $\mu s$  to 2 s

0.5 Hz (0.5 sweep/s)

Triggered or continuous sweeps

 $0.5~\mathrm{Hz}$  to 100 kHz sweep/s, equivalent to

### Pulse modulation<sup>1, 2</sup>

(Option UNU)

	500 MHz to 3.2 GHz	Above 3.2 GHz
On/Off ratio	80 dB (typ)	80 dB
Rise/Fall times (Tr, Tf)	100 ns (typ)	6 ns (typ)
Minimum pulse width		
Internally leveled	2 µs	1 µs
Level hold (ALC off with power search)	0.5 µs	0.15 µs
Repetition frequency		
Internally leveled	10 Hz to 250 kHz	10 Hz to 500 kHz
Level hold (ALC off with power search)	DC to 1 MHz	DC to 3 MHz
Level accuracy (relative to CW)		
Internally leveled	±0.5 dB	±0.5 dB
Level hold (ALC off with power search)	±0.5 dB (typ)	±0.5 dB (typ)
Width compression		
(RF width relative to video out)	±50 ns (typ)	±5 ns (typ)
Video feed-through <sup>3</sup>	< 200 mv (typ)	< 2 mv (typ)
Video delay (Ext input to video)	50 ns (nom)	50 ns (nom)
RF delay (video to RF output)	270 ns (nom)	35 ns (nom)
Pulse overshoot	< 10% (typ)	< 10% (typ)
Input level	+1 V <sub>peak</sub> = RF On	+1 V <sub>peak</sub> = RF On
Input impedance	50 Ω (nom)	50 Ω (nom)

## Narrow pulse modulation<sup>1, 2</sup>

(Option UNW)

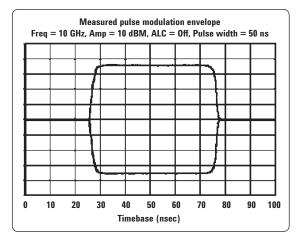
	10 MHz to 3.2 GHz	Above 3.2 GHz
On/Off ratio	80 dB	80 dB
Rise/Fall times (Tr, Tf)	10 ns (8 ns typ)	10 ns (6 ns typ)
Minimum pulse width		
Internally leveled:	1 µs	1 µs
Level hold (ALC off with power search):	20 ns	20 ns
Repetition frequency		
Internally leveled:	10 Hz to 500 kHz	10 Hz to 500 kHz
Level hold (ALC off with power search):	DC to 5 MHz	DC to 10 MHz
Level accuracy (relative to CW)		
Internally leveled	±0.5 dB	±0.5 dB (0.15 dB typ)
Level hold (ALC off with power search):	±1.3 dB (typ)	±0.5 dB (typ)

1. With ALC off, specifications apply after the execution of power search. Specifications apply with Atten Hold Off (default mode), or ALC level between -5 and +10 dBm or maximum specified power, whichever is lower.

<sup>2.</sup> Power search is a calibration routine that improves level accuracy with ALC off. The instrument microprocessor momentarily closes the ALC loop to find the modulator drive setting necessary to make the quiescent RF level equal to an entered value, then opens the ALC loop while maintaining that modulator drive setting. When executing power search, RF power will be present for typically 10-50 ms; the step attenuator can be set to automatically switch to maximum attenuation to protect sensitive devices. Power search can be configured to operate either automatically or manually at the carrier frequency, or over a user-definable frequency range.

<sup>3.</sup> With attenuator in 0 dB position. Video feed-through decreases with attenuator setting.

	10 MHz to 3.2 GHz	Above 3.2 GHz
Width compression		
(RF width relative to video out)	±5 ns (typ)	±5 ns (typ)
Video feed-through <sup>1</sup>	< 125 mv (typ)	< 2 mv (typ)
Video delay (Ext input to video)	50 ns (nom)	50 ns (nom)
RF delay (video to RF output)	45 ns (nom)	35 ns (nom)
Pulse overshoot	< 15% (typ)	< 10% (typ)
Input level	+1 V <sub>peak</sub> = RF On	+1 V <sub>peak</sub> = RF On
Input impedance	50 Ω (nom)	50 Ω (nom)



### Modes Free-run, triggered, triggered with delay, doublet, and gated. Triggered with delay, doublet, and gated modes require an external trigger source. Period (PRI) (Tp) 70 ns to 42 s (Repetition frequency: 0.024 Hz to 14.28 MHz) Pulse width (Tw) 10 ns to 42 s Delay (Td) Free-run mode 0 to ±42 s Triggered with delay and doublet modes 75 ns to 42 s with ±10 ns jitter Resolution 10 ns (width, delay, and PRI) Td video delay (variable) Sync output Tw video pulse width (variable) -Td -Tp pulse period (variable) Video 50% Tm RF delay output Trf RF pulse width Tf RF pulse fall time

### Simultaneous modulation

All modulation types (FM, AM,  $\Phi$ M, pulse. and I/Q) may be simultaneously enabled except: FM with ΦM, linear AM with exponential AM, and wideband AM with I/Q. AM, FM, and ΦM can sum simultaneous inputs from any two sources (Ext1, Ext2, internal1, or internal2). Any given source (Ext1, Ext2, internal1, or internal2) may be routed to only one activated modulation type.

50%

10%

90%

Tr

**RF** pulse

output

1. With attenuator in 0 dB position. Video feed-through decreases with attenuator setting.

Tr RF pulse rise time

Vor pulse overshoot

Vf video feedthrough

### **Internal pulse generator** (Option UNU or UNW)

### Vector modulation<sup>1</sup>

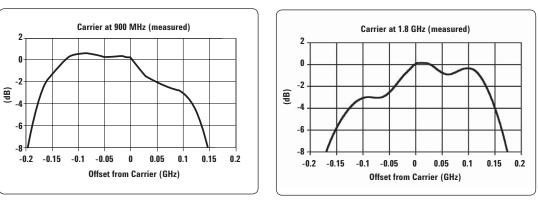
### External I/Q inputs

Input impedance switched Input range<sup>2</sup> Flatness I/Q frequency response<sup>3</sup> (measured)

50 or 600 Ω (nom) Minimum 0.1 V<sub>rms</sub>, maximum 1V<sub>peak</sub>  $\pm$  1 dB within  $\pm$  40 MHz of carrier (with ALC off) (typ)

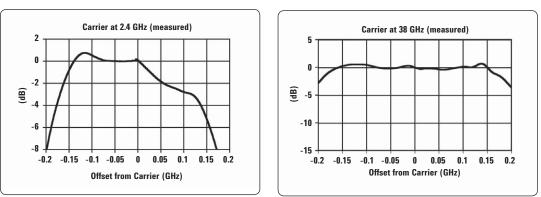


1.8 GHz





38 GHz



Carrier frequency	Nominal filter cutoff
≤ 250 MHz	300 MHz low-pass filter
> 250 to 396 MHz	220 to 420 MHz bandpass filter
> 396 to 628 MHz	350 to 650 MHz bandpass filter
> 628 to 1000 MHz	1040 MHz low-pass filter
> 1.0 to 1.5 GHz	1.6 GHz low-pass filter
	<ul> <li>≤ 250 MHz</li> <li>&gt; 250 to 396 MHz</li> <li>&gt; 396 to 628 MHz</li> <li>&gt; 628 to 1000 MHz</li> </ul>

1. With Option 007, vector modulation is not useable in ramp sweep mode. With Option 1EH, specifications apply with filters off.

2. For optimum signal quality, the I and Q inputs should be 0.7  $V_{peak}$ , with  $\sqrt{(I^2 + Q^2)} + 150 \text{ mV}_{rms}$ . Different RMS levels are accommodated by adjusting the internal I/Q modulator attenuator, which may be either manually or automatically set. The minimum input level required to maintain RF level accuracy is  $\sqrt{(l^2 + Q^2)} = 0.1 V_{rms}$ .

<sup>3.</sup> Sine wave response, measured with input level = 100 mVrms on one channel, and ALC off. For carrier frequencies below 1.5 GHz, modulation frequency response within ± 150 MHz of carrier may be limited by RF chain filtering.

I/Q adjustments	
I & Q offsets	External inputs (600 $\Omega$ ): ± 5 Volts
	External inputs (50 $\Omega$ ): ± 50 %
	Internal baseband generator: $\pm$ 50 %
I/Q attenuation	0 to 40 dB
l/Q gain balance	± 4 dB
I/Q quadrature skew	± 10 ° range (typ)
Low pass filter	Selectable 40 MHz or through path
I/Q baseband outputs	
Differential	I, T, Q, Q
Single ended	I, Q
Frequency range	DC to 40 MHz
Output voltage into 50 $\Omega$	1.5 V <sub>peak-to-peak</sub> (typ)
DC offset adjustments	± 3 V
DC offset resolution	1 mV
Low pass filter	Selectable 40 MHz or through path

RF output frequency range	250 kHz to 3.2 GHz	3.2 to 44 GHz
Input		
Input (baseband) frequency range	DC to 130 MHz (nom)	DC to 1.0 GHz <sup>2</sup>
Input impedance	50 Ω (nom)	50 Ω (nom)
Recommended input level	–1 dBm	0 dBm (nom)
Maximum input voltage	±1 Vdc	±1 V <sub>DC</sub>
I/Q offset adjustments	±50%	±50%
I/Q quadrature skew	±10 degrees	±10 degrees (nom)
I/Q frequency response (measured)		

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Carrier at 900 MHz (measured)

**GHz from Carrier** 

Ó 0.05 0.1

**GHz from Carrier** 

- RF filter In

0.05 0.1

0.15 0.2

RF filter Out

### I/Q frequency response <sup>3</sup> for frequencies < 3.2 GHz

(measured)

Wideband external differential I/Q inputs <sup>1</sup>

(Option 016)

### 900 MHz

8

6

4

2

-2

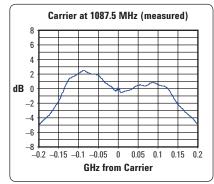
-4

-6

-8 -0.2 -0.15 -0.1 -0.05 0

**dB** 0

### 1087.5 GHz



### 1.8 GHz

8

6

4

2

-2

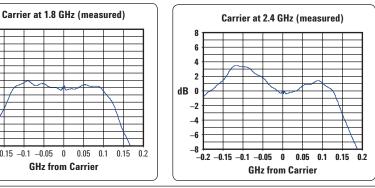
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-6

-8

**dB** 0

2.4 GHz

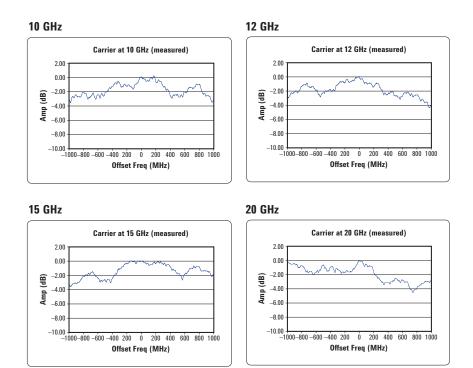


1. With Option 007, vector IQ modulation is not useable in ramp sweep mode.

-0.2 -0.15 -0.1 -0.05

- 2. Modulation frequency response within ±1 GHz of the carrier frequency may be limited by the RF chain cutoff frequencies.
- 3. Sine wave response, measured with input level = 100 mVrms on one channel, and ALC off. For carrier frequencies below 1.5 GHz, modulation frequency response within ±150 MHz of carrier may be limited by RF chain filtering.

I/Q frequency response <sup>1</sup> for frequencies < 3.2 GHz (measured)



### **RF** path filters <sup>2</sup>

Carrier frequency	Nominal filter cutoff frequencies	
> 3.2 to 5 GHz	5.5 GHz low-pass filter	
> 5 to 8 GHz	8.9 GHz low-pass filter	
> 8 to 12.8 GHz	13.9 GHz low-pass filter	
> 12.8 to 20 GHz	22.5 GHz low-pass filter	
> 20 to 24 GHz	19.6 to 24.5 GHz band-pass filter	
> 24 to 28.5 GHz	23.5 to 29.0 GHz band-pass filter	
> 28.5 to 32 GHz	28.0 to 32.5 GHz band-pass filter	
> 32 to 36 GHz	31.7 to 36.5 GHz band-pass filter	
> 36 to 40 GHz	35.5 to 40.4 GHz band-pass filter	
> 40 to 44 GHz	39.5 to 44.3 GHz band-pass filter	
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### **Internal baseband generator: arbitrary waveform mode** (Options 602)

Channels	2 [l and Q]
Resolution	16 bits [1/65,536]
Baseband waveform memory	
Length (playback)	
Option 601	8 megasamples (MSa/channel)
Option 602	64 megasamples (MSa/channel)
Length (non-volatile storage)	1.2 gigasamples (GSa) on 6 GB hard drive (Option 005)
Waveform segments	
Segment length	60 samples to 8 or 64 MSa
Maximum number of segments	8,192 (Option 602)
Minimum memory allocation	256 samples or 1 kbyte blocks
Waveform sequences	
Sequencing	Continuously repeating
Maximum number of sequences	16,384
Maximum segments/sequence	32,768
Maximum segment repetitions	65,536

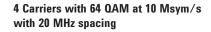
1. Sine wave response, measured with input level = 100 mVrms on one channel, and ALC off. For carrier frequencies below 1.5 GHz, modulation frequency response within ±150 MHz of carrier may be limited by RF chain filtering.

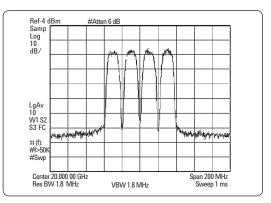
2. Modulation frequency response within ±1 GHz of the carrier frequency may be limited by the RF chain cutoff frequencies. For operation near a filter edge, filters can be bypassed using sofware commands to increase modulation bandwidth.

Clock	
Sample rate	1 Hz to 100 MHz
Resolution	0.001 Hz
Accuracy	Same as timebase +2 <sup>-42</sup> [in non-integer applications]
Reconstruction filter: [fixed]	50 MHz [used for all symbol rates]
Baseband spectral purity	
[full scale sinewave]	
Harmonic distortion	100 kHz to 2 MHz: < -65 dBc (typ)
Phase noise	< –127 dBc/Hz (typ) (baseband output of 10 MHz
	sinewave at 20 kHz offset)
IM performance	< -74 dB (typ)
Triggers	
Types	Continuous, single, gated, segment advance
Source	Trigger key, external, remote [LAN, GPIB, RS-232]
External polarity	Negative, positive
External delay time	10 ns to 40 s plus latency
External delay resolution	10 ns
Markers	
(Markers are defined in a segm	nent during the waveform generation process, or from the
PSG front panel. A marker can	also be tied to the RF blanking feature of the PSG.)
Marker polarity	Negative, positive
Number of markers	4
Multicarrier	

Number of carriers	Up to 100 (limited by a maximum bandwidth of 80 MHz depending on symbol rate and modulation type)
Frequency offset (per carrier)	-40 MHz to +40 MHz
Power offset (per carrier)	0 dB to -40 dB
Modulation	Types
PSK	BPSK, QPSK, OQPSK, π/4 DQPSK, 8PSK, 16PSK, D8PSK
QAM	4, 16, 32, 64, 128, 256
FSK	Selectable: 2, 4, 8, 16
MSK	
Data	Random ONLY

Multicarrier (measured)



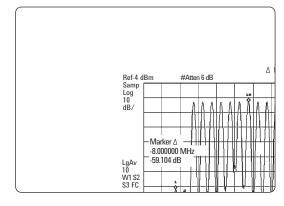


### Multitone

Number of tones Frequency spacing Phase (per tone) Power offset (per tone) 2 to 64, with selectable on/off state per tone 100 Hz to 80 MHz Fixed or random 0 to -40 dB

### 20 GHz multitone (measured)

### 20 GHz image rejection (measured)



 Δ
 Mkr1 39.20 MHz

 A
 48.84 dB

 Norm
 48.84 dB

 Norm
 48.84 dB

 Marker Δ
 48.84 dB

 LgAv
 39.200000 MHz

 S3 FC
 48.84 dB

 Charles
 48.84 dB

 W1 52
 44.44 dB

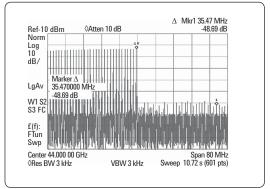
 S3 FC
 48.48 dB

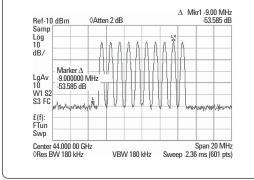
 Conter 20.000 00 GHz
 VBW 3 kHz
 Span 80 MHz

 VBW 3 kHz
 Sweep 10.72 s (601 pts)

### 44 GHz multitone (measured)

### 44 GHz image rejection (measured)

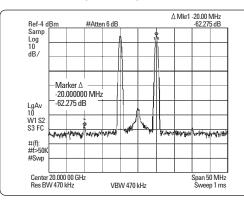




Two-tone

Frequency spacing Alignment IM distortion<sup>1</sup> 250 kHz to 3.2 GHz > 3.2 GHz to 20 GHz > 20 to 40 GHz > 40 to 44 GHz

### 20 GHz two tone (measured)



100 Hz to 80 MHz) Left, centered, or right

<	-45	dBc	(typ)
<	-55	dBc	(typ)
<	-50	dBc	(typ)
<	-45	dBc	(typ)

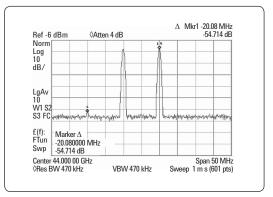
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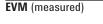
44 GHz two tone (measured)

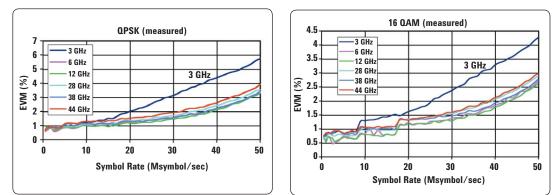


1. RF power < 0 dBm (Option 520) or < -3 dBm (Option 532, 544). When external inputs are used, vector accuracy is equivalent to internal performance after system calibration.

### Internal baseband generator: real-time mode (Option 602)

Basic modulation types (cust	om format)
PSK	BPSK, QPSK, OQPSK, π/4 DQPSK, 8PSK,
	16PSK, D8PSK
MSK	User-defined phase offset from 0 to 100 $^\circ$
0AM	4, 16, 32, 64, 128, 256
FSK	Selectable: 2, 4, 8, 16 level symmetric, C4FM
	User defined: Up to 16 custom deviation levels
	Deviation resolution: 0.1 Hz
	Symbol rate Maximum deviation
	< 5 MHz 4 times symbol rate
	5 MHz to 50 MHz 20 MHz
User-defined I/Q	Custom map of 256 unique values
Vector accuracy <sup>1</sup>	Formats: BPSK, QPSK, 16-256 QAM ( $\alpha = 0.3$ , roo
	Nyquist filter, symbol rate 4 Msym/s)
EVM (% RMS)	
≤ 20 GHz	< 1.2%, < 0.8% (typ)
> 20 to 32 GHz	< 1.3% < 0.9% (typ)
> 32 to 44 GHz	< 1.4% < 0.9% (typ)
Origin offset	
250 kHz to 3.2 GHz	-45 dBc (typ)
3.2 to 44 GHz	–50 dBc (typ)



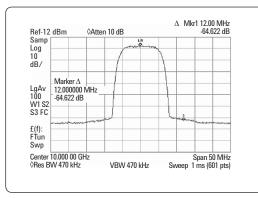


FIR filter	
Selectable	Nyquist, root Nyquist, Gaussian, rectangular $\alpha$ : 0 to 1, $B_b T$ : 0.1 to 1
Custom FIR	16-bit resolution, up to 64 symbols long, automatically resampled to 1024 coefficients (maximum) > 32 to 64 symbol filter: symbol rate ≤ 12.5 MHz > 16 to 32 symbol filter: symbol rate ≤ 25 MHz Internal filters switch to 16 tap when symbol rate is between 25 and 50 MHz
Symbol rate	
For external serial data:	Adjustable from 1000 symbols/sec to a maximum symbol rate of 50 Mbits/sec ÷ (#bits/symbol)
For internally generated data:	Adjustable from 1000 symbols/sec to 50 Msymbols/second and a maximum of 8 bits per symbol. Modulation quality may be degraded at high symbol rates.

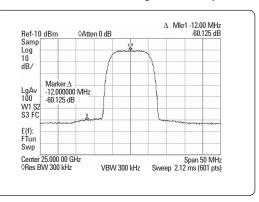
<sup>1.</sup> Measured with Agilent 89441A vector signal analyzer. Valid after executing I/Q calibration, and instrument is maintained within  $\pm 5$  °C of calibration temperature. RF power < 0 dBm (Option 520) or < -3 dBm (Option 532, 544). When external inputs are used, vector accuracy is equivalent to internal performance, after system calibration.

Baseband reference frequency	Data clock can be phase locked to an external refer-
ence.	
Input	ECL, CMOS, TTL compatible, 50 $\Omega$ AC coupled
Frame trigger delay control	
Range	0 to 1,048,575 bits
Resolution	1 bit
Data types	
Internally generated data	
Pseudo-random patterns	PN9, PN11, PN15, PN20, PN23
Repeating sequence	Any 4-bit sequence
	Other fixed patterns
Direct-pattern RAM [PRAM]	
Max size	64 Mb (Option 602)
	(each bit uses an entire sample space)
Use	Non-standard framing
User file	
Max size	6.4 Mb (Option 602)
Use	Continuous modulation or internally generated
	TDMA standard
Externally generated data	
Туре	Serial data
Inputs	Data, data (bit) clock, symbol sync
	Accepts data rates ±5% of specified data rate
Internal burst shape control	
Varies with standards and bit rate	38
Rise/Fall time range	Up to 30 bits
Rise/Fall delay range	0 to 63.5 bits
Spectral re-growth (measured)	

### 10 GHz carrier with 16 QAM signal at 10 Msym/s







# **Remote programming**

Interfaces	GPIB (IEEE-488.2,1987) with listen and talk, RS-232, and 10BaseT LAN interface
Control languages	SCPI version 1997.0. Completely code compatible with previous PSG signal generator models: • E8241A • E8244A • E8251A • E8254A • E8257C The E8257D will emulate the applicable commands for the following Agilent signal generators, providing general compatibility with ATE systems: • 8340-series (8340/41B) • 8360-series (836xxB/L) • 83700-series (837xxB) • 8662A/63A
IEEE-488 functions	SH1, AH1, T6, TE0, L4, LE0, SR1, RL1, PP0, DC1, DT0, C0, E2
ISO compliant	This family of signal generators is manufactured in an ISO-9001 registered facility in concurrence with Agilent Technologies' commitment to quality.
Agilent IO Libraries	Agilent's IO Libraries Suite ships with the E8267D to help you quickly establish an error-free connection between your PC and instruments – regardless of the vendor. It provides robust instrument control and works with the software development environment you choose.

<sup>1.</sup> Save and recall of user files and instrument states from Option 005 hard drive is guaranteed only over the range 0 to 40 °C.

<sup>2.</sup> Storage below -20 °C instrument states may be lost.

# **General specifications**

Power requirements	90 to 267 Vac 50 to 60 Hz, (automatically selected);	
	< 400 W typ 650 W maximum	
Operating temperature range	0 to 55 °C <sup>1</sup>	
<b>Storage temperature range</b> <sup>1</sup> With Option 005	–40 to 70 °C –4 ° to 65 °C, gradient less than 20 °C/hour	
Shock and vibration		
Operating random vibration <sup>2</sup>	5 to 500 Hz, 0.21 g rms	
Survival swept sine vibration	5 to 500 Hz, 0.5 g	
Survival random vibration	5 to 500 Hz, 2.09 g rms	
	Functional shock (half-sine, 30 g, 11 ms) and bench drop	
	test. Meets the requirements of MIL-PRF-28800F for	
	class 3 equipment.	
EMC	Meets the conducted and radiated interference and immunity requirements of IEC/EN 61326-1. Meets radiated emission requirements of CISPR Pub 11/1997 Group 1 class A	
Storage	Memory is shared by instrument states, user data files, sweep list files, and waveform sequences. There is 14 MB of flash memory available in the E827D PSG. With Option 005 there is an additional 6 GB of storage. Depending on how the memory is utilized, a maximum of 1000 instrument states can be saved.	
Security	Display blanking Memory clearing functions (See Application Note "Security of Agilent Singal Generators Issues and Solutions", Literature Number, 5989-1091EN)	
Compatibility	Agilent 83550 Series Millimeter Heads and OML millimeter source modules Agilent 8757D scalar network analyzers Agilent EPM Series power meters	
Self-test	Internal diagnostic routine tests most modules (including microcircuits) in a preset condition. For each module, if its node voltages are within acceptable limits, then the module "passes" the test.	
Weight	< 25 kg (54 lb.) net, < 33 kg (74 lb.) shipping	
Dimensions	178 mm H x 426 mm W x 515 mm D (7" H x 16.8" W x 20.3" D in.)	
Recommended calibration cycle		
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<sup>1.</sup> Storage below –20 °C instrument states may be lost.

<sup>2.</sup> As is the case with all signal generation equipment, phase noise specifications are not warranted in a vibrating environment.

# Input/Output Descriptions

Front panel connectors (All connectors are BNC female unless otherwise noted.)<sup>1</sup>

DE autout	Quantum impedance EQ Q (nem)
RF output	Output impedance 50 $\Omega$ (nom)
Option 520	Precision APC-3.5 male or precision Type-N female
	with Option 1ED
Options 532 and 544	Precision 2.4 mm male; plus $2.4(f) - 2.4(f)$ mm and
	2.4(f) - 2.9(f) mm adaptors
ALC input	Used for negative external detector leveling
	Nominal input impedance 120 k $\Omega$ , damage level ±15 V.
LF output	Outputs the internally generated LF source. Nominal output
	impedance 50 Ω.
External input 1	Drives either AM, FM, or ΦM. Nominal input impedance 50
	or 600 $\Omega,$ damage levels are 5 $V_{rms}$ and 10 $V_{peak}.$
External input 2	Drives either AM, FM, or $\Phi$ M. Nominal input impedance 50
	or 600 $\Omega,$ damage levels are 5 $V_{rms}$ and 10 $V_{peak}.$
Pulse/trigger gate input	Accepts input signal for external fast pulse modulation.
	Also accepts external trigger pulse input for internal pulse
	modulation. Nominal impedance 50 $\Omega$ . Damage levels are
	5 V <sub>rms</sub> and 10 V <sub>peak.</sub>
Pulse video out	Outputs a signal that follows the RF output in all pulse modes.
	TTL-level compatible, nominal source impedance 50 $\Omega$ .
Pulse sync out	Outputs a synchronizing pulse, nominally 50 ns width,
	during internal and triggered pulse modulation. TTL-level
	compatible, nominal source impedance 50 $\Omega$ .
Data clock input	Accepts a data clock signal to synchronize serial data for
	use with internal baseband generator (Option 601 or 602).
	Maximum rate 50 MHz. Damage levels are $> +5.5$ V and $< -0.5$ V.
Data input	Accepts serial data for use with internal baseband generator
	(Option 601 or 602). Maximum rate 50 Mb/s. Data must be
	valid on the falling edges of data clock (normal mode) or
	the symbol sync (symbol mode). Damage levels are > +5.5 V
	and $< -0.5$ V.
l input	Accepts an "I" input either for I/Q modulation or for
	wideband AM. Nominal input impedance 50 or 600 $\Omega$ .
	Damage levels are 1 $V_{rms}$ and 5 $V_{peak}$ .
Q input	Accepts a "Q" input for I/Q modulation. Nominal input
a mput	impedance 50 or 600 $\Omega$ . Damage levels are 1 V <sub>rms</sub> and 5 V <sub>peak</sub> .
Symbol sync input	Accepts symbol sync signal for use with internal baseband
oymool sync mput	generator (Option 601 or 602). Symbol sync might occur once
	per symbol or be a single, one bit wide pulse to synchronize
	the first bit of the first symbol. Maximum rate 50 MHz.
	Damage levels are $> +5.5$ V and $< -0.5$ V.

**Rear panel connectors** (All connectors are BNC female unless otherwise noted.)<sup>1</sup>

Auxiliary interface	Used for RS-232 serial communication and for master/slave
(Dual mode)	source synchronization. (9-pin D-subminiature female
	connector) For master/slave operation, use Agilent part
	number 8120-8806 master/slave interface cable.
GPIB	Allows communication with compatible devices
LAN	Allows 10baseT LAN communication
10 MHz input	Accepts an external reference (timebase) input (at 1, 2, 2.5, 5, 10 MHz for standard and 10 MHz only for Option UNX and UNR)
	Nominal input impedance 50 $\Omega$ . Damage levels > +10 dBm.
10 MHz output	Outputs internal or external reference signal. Nominal output impedance 50 $\Omega$ . Nominal output power +4 dBm.
Sweep output (Dual mode)	Supplies a voltage proportional to the RF power or frequency sweep ranging from 0 volts at the start of sweep to +10 volts (nom) at the end of sweep, regardless of sweep width.
	During CW operation, supplies a voltage proportional to the output frequency, +10 volts (nom) corresponding to the maximum specified frequency.
	When connected to an Agilent 8757D scalar network analyzer (Option 007), generates a selectable number of equally spaced 1 $\mu$ s pulses (nom) across a ramp (analog) sweep. Number of pulses can be set from 101 to 1601 by remote control from the 8757D.
Stop sweep In/Out	Output impedance: < 1 $\Omega$ (nom), can drive 2000 $\Omega$ . Open-collector, TTL-compatible input/output. In ramp sweep operation, provides low level (nominally 0 V) during sweep retrace and bandcross intervals, and high level during the forward portion of the sweep. Sweep will stop when grounded
<b>Trigger output</b> (dual mode)	externally; sweep will resume when allowed to go high. Outputs a TTL signal. High at start of dwell, or when waiting for point trigger; low when dwell is over or point trigger is received. In ramp sweep mode, provides 1601 equally-spaced 1 µs pulses (nom) across a ramp sweep. When using LF out, provides 2 µs pulse at start of LF sweep.
Trigger input	Accepts TTL signal for triggering point-to-point in manual sweep mode, or to trigger start of LF sweep. Damage levels $\geq$ +10 V or $\leq$ -4 V.
Source module interface	Provides bias, flatness correction, and leveling connections to the Agilent model 83550 Series mm-wave source modules.
Source settled	Provides an output trigger that indicates when the signal generator has settled to a new frequency or power level. High indicates source not settled, low indicates source settled.
Z-axis Blank/Markers	During ramp sweep, supplies + 5 V (nom) level during retrace and bandswitch intervals. Supplies – 5 V (nom) level when the RF frequency is at a marker frequency.
10 MHz EFC	(Option UNR/UNX only) Accepts an external DC voltage, ranging from –5V to +5V, for electronic frequency control (EFC) of the internal 10 MHz reference oscillator. This voltage inversely tunes the oscillator about its center frequency approximately –0.07 ppm/V. The nominal input impedance is greater than 1 M $\Omega$
.25 – 3.2 GHz coherent carrier output	Outputs RF signal modulated with FM or $\Phi$ M but not I/Q, AM or pulse. Nominal power 0 dBm. Frequency range from 250 MHz to 3.2 GHz. Not useful for output frequency > 3.2 GHz Damage levels 20 V <sub>DC</sub> and 13 dBm reverse RF power. (SMA female).

1. Digital inputs and outputs are 3.3 V CMOS unless indicated. Otherwise, inputs will accept 5 V CMOS, 3 V CMOS or TTL voltage levels.

Baseband generator	Accepts a sine or square wave PECL clock input with a
clock input	frequency range of 200 MHz o 400 MHz (resulting in sample
-	rates of 50 MSa/s to 100 MSa/s). The recommended input
	level is approximately 1 $V_{\text{peak-to-peak}}$ for a square wave and
	0 dBm to 6 dBm for a sine wave. Allows the baseband
<b>D</b> ( ) ( ) (	generators of multiple signal sources to run off same clock.
Burst gate input	Accepts signal for gating burst power for use with interna
	baseband generator (Option 601 or 602). The burst gating is used when you are externally supplying data and clock
	information. The input signal must be synchronized with
	the external data input that will be output during the burst.
	The burst power envelope and modulated data are internally
	delayed and re-synchronized. The input signal must be
	CMOS high for normal burst RF power or CW RF output
	power and CMOS low for RF off. Damage levels are $> +5.5$ V and $< -0.5$ V.
Event 1 output	In real-time mode, outputs a pattern or frame synchronization
	pulse for triggering or gating external equipment, for use
	with internal baseband generator (Option 601 or 602). May
	be set to start at the beginning of a pattern, frame, or timeslot and is adjustable to within $\pm$ one timeslot with
	one bit resolution. In arbitrary waveform mode, outputs a
	timing signal generated by marker 1.
Event 2 output	In real-time mode, outputs a data enable signal for gating
	external equipment, for use with internal baseband generator
	(Option 601 or 602). Applicable when external data is
	clocked into internally generated timeslots. Data is enabled
	when signal is low. In arbitrary waveform mode, outputs a timing signal generated by marker 2
I and Q outputs	timing signal generated by marker 2. Outputs the analog I/Q modulation signals from the internal
T and Q outputs	baseband generator. Nominal output impedance 50 $\Omega$ ,
	DC-coupled. Damage levels ±3.5 V.
$\overline{\mathbf{I}}$ and $\overline{0}$ outputs	Outputs the complement of the I and Q signals for differential
	applications. Nominal output impedance 50 $\Omega$ , DC-coupled
<b>.</b>	Damage levels ±3.5 V.
Pattern trigger input	Accepts signal to trigger internal pattern or frame generator
	to start single pattern output, for use with internal baseband generator (Option 601 or 602). Minimum pulse width 100 ns.
	Damage levels are $> +5.5$ V and $< -0.5$ V.
Wideband I and Q inputs	Direct differential high-bandwidth analog inputs to I/Q
•	modulator in 3.2 to 44 GHz range and useable for carriers
	< 3.2 GHz Not calibrated. 0 dBm maximum.
	(Option 016 only).
Alternate power input	Accepts CMOS signal for synchronization of external data
	and alternate power signal timing. Damage levels are
	> +8 V and < -4V.
Data clock output	Relays a CMOS bit clock signal for synchronizing serial data.
Data output	Outputs data from the internal data generator or the
Event 3 output	externally supplied signal at data input. CMOS signal. In arbitrary waveform mode, outputs a timing signal generated
rvent o outhur	In arbitrary waveform mode, outputs a timing signal generated by marker 3. Damage levels $> +8$ V and $< 4$ V.
Event 4 output	In arbitrary waveform mode, outputs a timing signal generated
	by marker 4. Damage levels $> +8$ V and $< 4$ V.
Symbol sync output	Outputs CMOS symbol clock for symbol synchronization,
-	one data clock period wide.

Auxiliary I/O connector (37-

pin) used with Option 602

# **Options, Accessories, and Related Products**

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Model/option	Description
E8267D-520	Frequency range from 250 kHz to 20 GHz
E8267D-532	Frequency range from 250 kHz to 31.8 GHz
E8267D-544	Frequency range from 250 kHz to 44 GHz
E8267D-602	Internal baseband generator, 64 MSa memory
E8267D-003	PSG digital output connectivity with N5102A
E8267D-004	PSG digital input connectivity with N5102A
E8267D-005	6 GB internal hard drive
E8267D-007	Analog ramp sweep
E8267D-016	Wideband external I/Q inputs
E8267D-403	Calibrated AWGN
E8267D-SP1	Signal Studio for jitter injection
E8267D-UNX	Ultra low phase noise
E8267D-UNT	AM, FM, phase modulation, and LF output
	Pulse modulation
E8267D-UNW	Narrow pulse modulation
E8267D-1ED	Type-N (f) RF output connector
E8267D-1EH	Improved harmonics below 2 GHz
E8267D-1EM	Moves all front panel connectors to the rear panel
E8267D-SP2	Dynamic sequencing capability
N7620A	Signal Studio for pulse building
N7622A	Signal Studio Toolkit
N7619A	Signal Studio for UWB
N7613A	Signal Studio for 802.16-2004 Fixed WiMax
N7620A	Signal Studio for pulse building
N7621B	Signal Studio for multitone distortion testing
N7623A	Signal Studio for DVB
N7600B	Signal Studio for 3GPP W-CDMA
N7601B	Signal Studio for cdma2000
N7602B	Signal Studio for GSM/Edge
N7615B N7617B	Signal Studio for 802.16 OFDMA mobile WiMax Signal Studio for 802.11 WLAN
E8267D-H1S	1 GHz external frequency reference input
E8267D-H1G	Connections for phase coherency and improved phase
E0207D-1110	stability < 250 MHz
E8267D-HCC	Connections for phase coherency > 250 MHz <sup>1</sup>
E8267D-1CN	Front handle kit
E8267D-1CM	Rackmount flange kit
E8267D-1CP	Rackmount flange and front handle kit
E8267D-UK6	Commercial calibration certificate and test data
E8267D-CD1	CD-ROM containing the English documentation set
E8267D-ABA	Printed copy of the English documentation set
E8267D-0BW	Printed copy of the assembly-level service guide
N5102A	Baseband Studio digital signal interface module
N5101A	Baseband Studio PCI card
N5110B	Baseband Studio for waveform capture and playback
N5110B-194	Play waveform from Baseband Studio PCI card
N5110B-195	Capture waveform to Baseband Studio PCI card
N5110B-130	40 MSa/s sample rate
N5110B-132	100 MSa/s sample rate
N5110B-134	200 MSa/s sample rate
Z5623A-Kxx	Distribution network (lock box) <sup>1</sup>
8120-8806	Master/slave interface cable
9211-2656	Transit case
9211-7481	Transit case with wheels

1. Utilized for multiple source phase coherency applications.

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# Related Agilent Literature

E8267D PSG Vector Signal Generator Configuration Guide, Literature number 5989-1326EN

*E8257D PSG Analog Signal Generator* Data Sheet, Literature number 5989-0698EN

*PSG Two-tone and Multitone Personalities* Application Note AN 1410, Literature number 5988-7689EN

*Signal Studio for Noise Power Ratio* Technical Overview, Literature number 5988-9161EN

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Signal Studio for 802.11 WLAN Technical Overview, Literature number 5988-8618EN

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