

Agilent InfiniiMax III probing system

Data Sheet

World's highest speed and highest performing probe system

- Full 30 GHz bandwidth to the probe tip
- Industry's lowest probe and scope system noise
- Industry's highest fidelity and accuracy due to bandwidth and extremely low loading
- Probe amplifiers loaded with measured s-parameters for more accurate response correction
- Bandwidth upgradable
- Variety of probe heads for different use models with maximum usability





Unmatched Performance

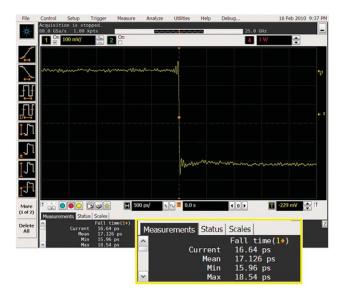
Industry leading probe bandwidth

The InfiniiMax III probing system offers you the highest performance available for measuring differential and single-ended signals, with flexible connectivity solutions for today's high-density ICs and circuit boards. Four different InfiniiMax III probe amplifiers ranging from 16 GHz to 30 GHz are available for matching your probing solution to your performance and budget requirements. A proprietary 200 GHz fT InP (indium phosphide) IC process with backside ground vias and novel thick film technology is utilized to accommodate your highest performance needs and is unmatched by any product in the market.



Highest fidelity and accuracy

InfiniiMax III provides the highest bandwidth and incredibly low loading to allow for a new level of signal fidelity and accuracy. Continuing the probe head topology pioneered by Agilent in the InfiniiMax I and II probe systems, four new probe heads are provided to accommodate multiple use models: an 30 GHz browser that is extremely usable, an 28 GHz ZIF probe head with economical replaceable/ removable ZIF tips, an 28 GHz 2.92 mm probe head which allows cabled measurements using 2.92 mm, 3.5 mm, or SMA coax cables, and an economical 16 GHz solder-in probe head for less demanding measurements.



Uncompromised Usability

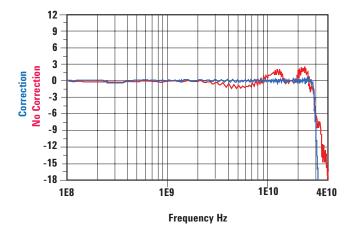
More accurate probe correction

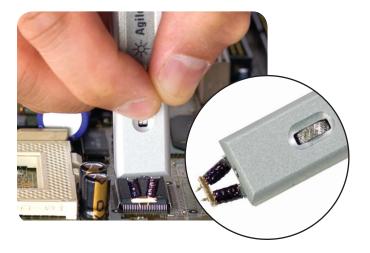
Each individual InfiniiMax III probe amplifier contains its own frequency response data. The 90000-X Series oscilloscopes download this data and automatically correct the response of the unique probe system. Traditionally, probe correction uses a nominal model based on a typical probe amplifier, not the specific amplifier being used. Generally, the biggest variation between probing systems is a result of the probe amplifier. The ability to correct a specific probe amplifier's response results in a more accurate probe correction, which vields a more accurate measurement.

Extensive line-up of probe heads and accessories

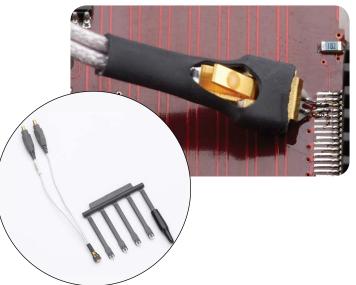
Agilent's InfiniiMax III probes support a wide variety of high-speed applications with an extensive line-up of probe heads and accessories.

 N5445A browser head (30 GHz) is the best choice for general-purpose trouble shooting of differential signals with z-axis compliance and variable spacing from 20 mil – 125 mil (or 0.5 mm – 3.1 mm). The span between the signal tips is easily adjusted with a thumb wheel on the browser. Integrated LED lighting at the tip illuminates the probing area for better visibility. Order N5476A for replacement browser tips (set of 4).





• N5439A ZIF probe head provides 28 GHz bandwidth in an economical replaceable tip form factor. Because of their extremely low loading, the ZIF tips can be left on the DUT as the probe head is moved from one probing site to the next. Order N5440A (450 Ω) or N5447A (200 Ω) for a set of 5 ZIF tips with plastic sporks to aid in soldering the tips to your DUT. Variable spacing from 5 mil – 80 mil (or 0.127 mm – 2 mm).



 N5444A 2.92 mm/3.5 mm/SMA probe head (28 GHz) allows you to connect two 2.92 mm, 3.5 mm or SMA cables to make a differential measurement on a single oscilloscope channel. Order N5448A 2.92 mm head flex cables (10" or 25 cm) to extend the cable length and add convenience.



• N5441A solder-in probe head is an economical, semipermanent connection that provides up to 16 GHz of bandwidth. Variable span of the leads ranges from 5 mil - 80 mil (or 0.127 mm - 2 mm).



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Bandwidth upgradeability

Series oscilloscope.

500 MHz 10:1 passive probe.

As frequencies have continued to increase, so have the cost of probes. The InfiniiMax III system offers the world's first fully upgradeable probe amplifier. Purchase a 16 GHz probe amplifier today, knowing that in the future, you can upgrade the amplifier to higher bandwidths (20/25/30 GHz) at a fraction of the cost of a new probe amplifier.

performance probing system.

 N5443A performance verification and deskew fixture is required to calibrate and verify the performance of the InfiniiMax III probe. Agilent is currently the only oscilloscope vendor in the market that provides the

hardware for the customer to validate their high

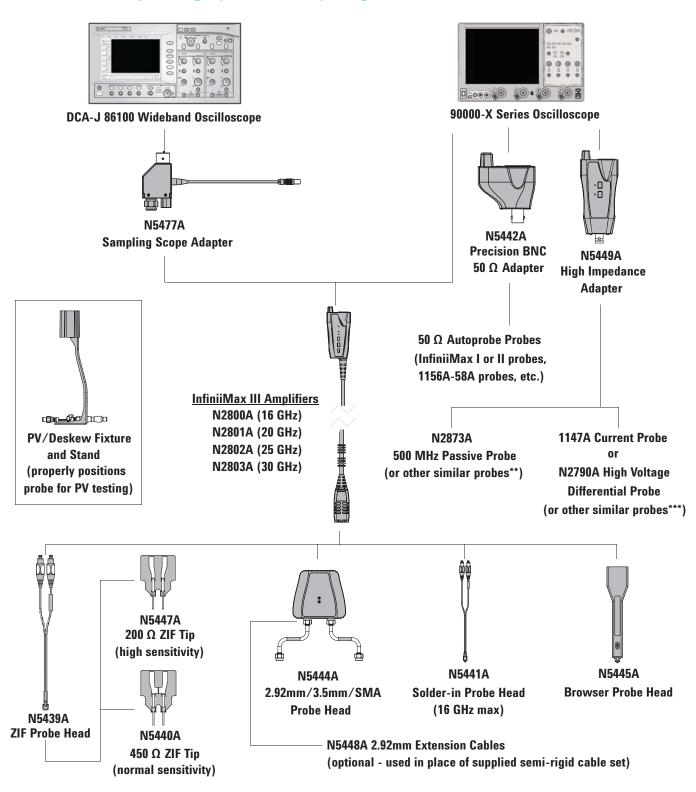
- N5477A sampling oscilloscope adapter makes the InfiniiMax III probing system fully compatible with the Infiniium 86100C DCA-J sampling oscilloscope. Previously the DCA-J was limited to 13 GHz of probing, but with the N5477A, the DCA-J now has 30 GHz of probing, increasing its performance and flexibility.
- N5449A high impedance adapter allows the connection of probes that require a high impedance scope input such as a high impedance passive probe, 1147A current probe, or N2790A differential probe to the Infiniium 90000-X Series oscilloscopes. The N5449A provides switchable AC/DC coupling as well as 10:1 and 1:1 attenuation settings. The adapter comes with a N2873A
- N5442A Precision BNC 50 Ω adapter allows you to use your existing InfiniiMax I (1130A-1134A), InfiniiMax II (1168A/69A), 1156A-58A active probes or a general purpose 50 Ω BNC cable with the Infiniium 90000-X







InfiniiMax III probing system family diagram



*Components are not drawn to scale.

**The N5449A includes one N2873A probe. The adapter is specifically tuned for the N2873A probe, but other similar probes (1 M Ω input) can be used. Other probes may not meet the bandwidth specification.

***The N5449A is also compatible with other similar active probes with the Autoprobe interface and outputs designed to drive 1 $M\Omega$ inputs.

Performance characteristics (of N2803A, 30 GHz probe amplifer, with each probe head)

N2801A: BW=20 GHz, tr=21.7 psec

N2800A: BW=16 GHz, tr=27.1 psec

| | N2803A with N5439A and N5440A (ZIF 450Ω) | N2803A with N5439A and N5447A (ZIF 200Ω) | N2803A with N5445A (browser) | N2803A with N5441A (solder-in) | N2803A with N5444A (SMA adapter) |
|---|--|---|---|---|--|
| Probe bandwidth (-3dB), probe only | 28 GHz (typical), 26 GHz* (warranted) | 28 GHz (typical) | 30 GHz (typical), 28 GHz* (warranted) | 17.2 GHz (typical) | 28 GHz |
| Rise and fall time, probe only | 20.9 psec (10-90%), 13.8 psec (20-80%) | 20.9 psec (10-90%), 13.8 psec (20-80%) | 16.2 psec (10-90%), 10.9 psec (20-80%) | 34.8 psec (10-90%), 26.6 psec (20-80%) | 18.8 psec (10-90%), 12.7 psec (20-80%) |
| System bandwidth (-3dB) with DSO/DSAX93204A | 28 GHz | 28 GHz | 30 GHz | 16 GHz | 28 GHz |
| Rise and fall time with DSO/DSAX93204A | 15.5 psec (10 -90%) 11.0 psec (20-80%) | 15.5 psec (10 -90%) 11.0 psec (20-80%) | 14.3 psec (10 -90%) 10.2 psec (20-80%) | 27.1 psec (10 -90%) 19.2 psec (20-80%) | 15.5 psec (10 -90%) 11.0 psec (20-80%) |
| Input capacitance | Cdiff=32fF, Cse=44fF | Cdiff=32fF, Cse=44fF | Cdiff=35fF, Cse=50fF | Cdiff=77fF, Cse=105fF | N/A |
| DC input resistance* | Rdiff=100kΩ ±2%, Rse=50kΩ ±2% | | 55 Ω to Vterm | | |
| Input resistance >10 kHz | Rdiff=1kΩ, Rse=500 Ω | | 50 Ω to 0.909x Vterm | | |
| Input voltage range (differential or single-ended) | 1.6Vpp, ±0.8V (HD2&3 <-38db), 2.5Vpp, ±1.25V (HD2&3 <-34db)** | 0.8Vpp, ±0.4V (HD2&3<-38db), 1.6Vpp, ±0.8V (HD2&3<-34db)** | 1.1.1 | (HD2&3 <-38db), (HD2&3<-34db)** | 2.5 Vrms |
| Input common mode range | ±12V DC to 250Hz ±2.5V > 250Hz | ±6V DC to 250Hz ±1.25V > 250Hz | | C to 250Hz > 250Hz | ±12V DC to 250Hz ±2.5V > 250Hz (must not exceed max input voltage) |
| DC attenuation ratio | 6:1 | 3:1 | 6:1 | | |
| Offset range | ±16V when probing a single-ended signal | ±8V when probing a single-ended signal | ±16V when probing | a single-ended signal | ±16V when probing a single-ended signal (must not exceed max input voltage) |
| Noise referenced to input, probe only | 4mVrms 2mVrms 4mVrms | | · | | |
| Maximum input voltage | | 18V pe | eak Cat I | | Same as input voltage range |

* Denotes warranted characteristic. All others are typical.

** Harmonic distortion < -38dB is standard; < -34dB wider input range with slightly increased distortion

Ordering Information

InfiniiMax III probe amplifier models

| Model Number | Description | Recommended oscilloscope |
|--------------|---------------------------------------|--|
| N2803A | 30 GHz InfiniiMax III probe amplifier | DSO/DSAX93204A 32 GHz Infiniium oscilloscope DSO/DSAX92804A 28 GHz Infiniium oscilloscope |
| N2802A | 25 GHz InfiniiMax III probe amplifier | DSO/DSAX92504A 25 GHz Infiniium oscilloscope |
| N2801A | 20 GHz InfiniiMax III probe amplifier | DSO/DSAX92004A 20 GHz Infiniium oscilloscope |
| N2800A | 16 GHz InfiniiMax III probe amplifier | DSO/DSAX91604A 16 GHz Infiniium oscilloscope |

Note: N2800A-N2803A InfiniiMax probe amps are not compatible with existing InfiniiMax I or II probe heads.

InfiniiMax III probe heads

| Model Number | Description | Notes |
|--------------|--|---|
| N5445A | InfiniiMax III browser head | Order N5476A for replacement probe tips (set of 4) |
| N5439A | InfiniiMax III ZIF probe head | Order N5440A (450 $\Omega)$ or N5447A (200 $\Omega)$ for a set of 5 ZIF |
| | | tips with plastic sporks. |
| N5444A | InfiniiMax III 2.92 mm/3.5 mm/SMA probe head | Order N5448A 2.92 mm head flex cables to extend the |
| | | cable length. |
| N5441A | InfiniiMax III solder-in probe head | |

Note: N54xxA InfiniiMax III probe heads are not compatible with InfiniiMax I or II probe amps.

InfiniiMax III probe adapters

| Model Number | Description | Notes |
|--------------|---|---|
| N5442A | Precision BNC adapter (50 Ω) | For use with InfiniiMax I and II probes, 1156A-58A etc. |
| N5449A | High impedance probe adapter | Includes one N2873A 500MHz 10:1 passive probe |
| N5477A | Sampling scope adapter | For use with Agilent 86100C DCA-J sampling scope |
| N5443A | Performance verification and deskew fixture | |

Probe bandwidth upgrade options

| Model Number | Description | Notes | |
|--------------|------------------------------------|-------|--|
| N5446A | 16 GHz to 20 GHz bandwidth upgrade | | |
| N5446B | 20 GHz to 25 GHz bandwidth upgrade | | |
| N5446C | 25 GHz to 30 GHz bandwidth upgrade | | |

Note: Purchase two or more upgrade options to go from 16 to 25 or 30 GHz and 20 to 30 GHz. To upgrade the probe bandwidth, you simply need to send the probe to the Agilent service center.

Other recommended accessories for InfiniiMax III probing system

| Model Number | Description | Notes |
|--------------|---------------------------------------|--|
| N2787A | 3D probe positioner | For hands-free probing |
| N2812A | High performance input cable, 2.92 mm | For use with Infiniium 90000-X Series oscilloscope |
| | connectors, 1 m length | |
| MV-23 | Carson Optical MagniVisor | www.carsonoptical.com/Magnifiers |

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