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**WARNING**

Warning denotes a hazard. It calls attention to a procedure which, if not correctly performed or adhered to, could result in injury or loss of life. Do not proceed beyond a warning note until the indicated conditions are fully understood and met.

**CAUTION**

Caution denotes a hazard. It calls attention to a procedure that, if not correctly performed or adhered to, would result in damage to or destruction of the instrument. Do not proceed beyond a caution sign until the indicated conditions are fully understood and met.

General Safety Considerations

**WARNING**

For continued protection against fire hazard replace line fuse only with same type and rating (3A/250V). The use of other fuses or material is prohibited.

**WARNING**

This is a Safety Class I product (provided with a protective earthing ground incorporated in the power cord). The mains plug shall only be inserted in a socket outlet provided with a protective earth contact. Any interruption of the protective conductor, inside or outside the instrument, is likely to make the instrument dangerous. Intentional interruption is prohibited.

**CAUTION**

Ventilation Requirements: When installing the instrument in a cabinet, the convection into and out of the instrument must not be restricted. The ambient temperature (outside the cabinet) must be less than the maximum operating temperature of the instrument by 4 °C for every 100 watts dissipated in the cabinet. If the total power dissipated in the cabinet is greater than 800 watts, then forced convection must be used.
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<td>Screen Text</td>
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The **User's Guide** show how to make measurements, explains commonly-used features, and tells you how to get the most performance from your analyzer.

The **Quick Reference Guide** provides a summary of selected user features.

The **HP-IB Programming Examples Guide** provides a tutorial introduction using BASIC programming examples to demonstrate the remote operation of the network analyzer.

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The **System Verification and Test Guide** provides the system verification and performance test and the Performance Test Record for your HP 8753E network analyzer.
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1 Installing Your Analyzer
Installing Your Analyzer

This chapter shows you how to install your analyzer and confirm the correct operation, by following the steps below:

1. Verify the shipment.
2. Familiarize yourself with the HP 8753E front and rear panels.
3. Meet electrical and environmental requirements.
4. Configure the analyzer.
5. Verify the analyzer operation.
6. Backup the EEPROM disk.
STEP 1. Verify the Shipment

1. unpack the contents of all the shipping containers. **Warning:** The HP 8753E weighs approximately 46 pounds (21 kilograms). Use correct lifting techniques.

2. Carefully inspect the analyzer to ensure that it was not damaged during shipment.

**NOTE**

If your analyzer was damaged during shipment, contact your nearest Hewlett-Packard office or sales representative. A list of HP Sales and Service offices is provided at the end of this guide.

The PORT 1 and PORT 2 connectors move. This is NOT a defect.
3. Verify that all the accessories have been included with the analyzer.

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<td>Rack Flange Kit with Handles (Option 1CP only)</td>
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<td>Front Handle Kit (standard)</td>
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STEP 2. Familiarize Yourself with the HP 8753E Front and Rear Panels

HP 8753E Front Panel

**CAUTION**

Do not mistake the line switch for the disk eject button. See the figure below. If the line switch is mistakenly pushed, the instrument will be turned off, losing all settings and data that have not been saved.

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<td>Preset key</td>
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<td>R CHANNEL connectors</td>
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<td>PORT 1 and PORT 2</td>
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**HP 8753E Rear Panel**

1. HP-IB connector
2. PARALLEL interface
3. RS-232 interface
4. KEYBOARD input (mini-DIN)
5. Power cord receptacle, with fuse
6. Line voltage selector switch
7. Fan
8. 10 MHZ PRECISION REFERENCE OUTPUT*
9. 10 MHZ REFERENCE ADJUST*
10. EXTERNAL REFERENCE INPUT connector
11. AUXILIARY INPUT connector
12. EXTERNAL AM connector
13. EXTERNAL TRIGGER connector
14. TEST SEQUENCE
15. LIMIT TEST
16. MEASURE RESTART
17. TEST SET INTERCONNECT
18. BIAS INPUTS AND FUSES
19. Serial number plate
20. EXTERNAL MONITOR: VGA

*Option 1D5.
### STEP 3. Meet Electrical and Environmental Requirements

<table>
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<th>1. Set the line-voltage selector to the position that corresponds to the AC power source.</th>
<th>2. Ensure the available AC power source meets the following requirements:</th>
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| ![Diagram](image1.png) | ■ 90–132 VAC  
■ 47–66 Hz / 400 Hz (single phase)  
OR  
■ 198–265 VAC  
■ 47–66 Hz (single phase)  
The analyzer power consumption is 350 VA max. |
| 3. Ensure the operating environment meets the following requirements: | 4. Verify that the power cable is not damaged, and that the power-source outlet provides a protective earth contact. |
| ![Diagram](image2.png) | ■ 0 to 55°C  
■ <95% relative humidity at 40°C (non-condensing)  
■ <15,000 feet (~4,500 meters) altitude  
Some HP 8753E performance parameters are specified for 25°C ±5°C. Refer to the HP 8753E Network Analyzer User's Guide for information on the environmental compatibility of warranted performance. |

**WARNING:** Any interruption of the protective (grounding) conductor or disconnection of the protective earth terminal, can result in personal injury, or may damage the analyzer.
5. Ensure there are at least six inches of clearances between the sides and back of either the stand-alone analyzer or the system cabinet.

**CAUTION:** The environmental temperature must be 4°C less than the maximum operating temperature of the analyzer for every 100 watts dissipated in the cabinet. If the total power dissipated in the cabinet is >800 watts, then you must provide forced convection.

6. Set up a static-safe workstation. Electrostatic discharge (ESD) can damage or destroy electronic components.

- static-control table mat and earth ground wire: HP P/N 9300-0797
- wrist-strap cord: HP P/N 9300-0980
- wrist-strap: HP P/N 9300-1367
- heel-straps: HP P/N 9300-1308
- floor mat: not available through Hewlett-Packard
STEP 4. Configure the Analyzer

This step shows you how to set up your particular analyzer configuration.

- standard configuration
- Option 1D5 configuration – high stability frequency reference
- printer or plotter configuration
- rack-mount configuration
To Configure the Standard Analyzer

Connect 7-mm cables and optional adapters if you are using other connector types.

To Configure the Analyzer that has a High Stability Frequency Reference (Option 1D5)

Connect the jumper cable on the analyzer rear panel as shown.
To Configure the Analyzer with Printers or Plotters

1. Connect your printer or plotter to the corresponding interface.

2. If you are using the parallel interface, press Local and PARALLEL until your choice of [GPIO] or [COPY] appears.

- If you choose [COPY], the parallel port is dedicated for normal copy device use (printers or plotters).
- If you choose [GPIO], the parallel port is dedicated for general purpose I/O. The HP 8753E controls the data input or output, through the sequencing capability of the analyzer.
3. Press SET ADDRESSES and then choose either PRINTER PORT or PLOTTER PORT, depending on your hardcopy device. Or, if you are plotting your files to disk, press SET ADDRESSES, PLOTTER PORT, DISK. Enter the HP-IB address of the peripheral, followed by [x1].

4. Press HPIB and the key that corresponds to your printer or plotter interface: PARALLEL (parallel port) or SERIAL (serial port). NOTE: The plotter menu is shown as an example. It will only appear if you select PLOTTER PORT. Similar interface choices will appear if you select PRINTER PORT.

- If you select HPIB, the HP-IB address is active so you can then set the address of your printer or plotter.
- If you have already selected the PARALLEL COPY choice for the parallel-port configuration, you must also select PARALLEL in this menu in order to generate a hardcopy.
5. If you will be using the serial port, adjust the analyzer's baud rate until it is equal to the baud rate set on the peripheral by pressing PLOTTER BAUD RATE or PRINTER BAUD RATE and the ↑ and ↓ front panel keys. **NOTE:** The plotter menu is shown as an example. It will only appear if you select PLOTTER PORT.

You can set the analyzer to the following rates:
- 1200
- 2400
- 4800
- 9600
- 19200

6. Also, if you will be using the serial port, you must set the transmission control XMIT CNTRL (handshaking protocol) to either Xon/Xoff or DTR/DSR (equal to the transmission control set on the peripheral). **NOTE:** Transmission control for plotters is set programmatically. The plotter menu is shown as an example. It will only appear if you select PLOTTER PORT.

- **Xon/Xoff** sets transmission on/transmission off (software handshake).
- **DTR/DSR** sets data terminal ready/data set ready (hardware handshake).
### 7. If you will be using a plotter, select **PLTR TYPE** and keep pressing the key until the choice you want appears.

- **Choose PLOTTER** for a pen plotter such as the HP 7440A, 7470A, 7475A, or 7550B.
- **Choose HPGL PRT** for a PCL5 compatible printer, which supports HP-GL/2, such as the:
  - LaserJet III
  - LaserJet 4
  - DeskJet 1200C

### 8. If you will be using a printer, press **PRNTR TYPE** until your printer choice appears.

- **Choose your printer type from these HP printers:**
  - THINKJET
  - DESKJET (except for HP DeskJet 540)
  - LASERJET
  - PAINTJET
  - DJ 540 (converts 100 dpi raster information to 300 dpi raster format)
- **Choose EPSON-P2** for Epson-compatible printers (ESC/P2 printer control language).
### 9. Press **System**, **SET CLOCK** to begin setting and activating the time stamp feature so the analyzer places the time and date on your hardcopies and disk directories.

### 10. Press each of the following softkeys to set the date and time.

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<td>TIME STAMP</td>
<td>ON or off</td>
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<tr>
<td>ROUND SECONDS</td>
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<tr>
<td>SET MINUTES</td>
<td>Choose a number for 24-hour clock (0-24)</td>
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<tr>
<td>SET HOUR</td>
<td>Choose a number for Calendar Date (1-31)</td>
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<td>SET DAY</td>
<td>Choose a number for Calendar Month (1-12)</td>
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<td>SET MONTH</td>
<td>Choose a number for Year</td>
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<td>SET YEAR</td>
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<td>RETURN</td>
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**Diagram:**

- **System**
- **TIME STAMP**
- **ROUND SECONDS**
- **SET MINUTES**
- **SET HOUR**
- **SET DAY**
- **SET MONTH**
- **SET YEAR**
- **RETURN**

### 11. Press **ROUND SECONDS** when the time is exactly as you have set it.

### 12. Press **TIME STAMP** so that **ON** is displayed on the softkey label. Then press **RETURN**.

**Diagram:**

- **TIME STAMP**
- **ROUND SECONDS**
- **SET MINUTES**
- **SET HOUR**
- **SET DAY**
- **SET MONTH**
- **SET YEAR**
- **RETURN**

**Clock:**

```
01NOV1997 14:55:00
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Installing Your Analyzer
STEP 4. Configure the Analyzer

To Configure the Analyzer for Rack Mount Use

There are three kits available for the analyzer:

- instrument front handles kit (standard HP part number 5062-9229)
- cabinet flange kit without front handles (Option 1CM HP part number 5062-9216)
- cabinet flange kit with front handles (Option 1CP HP part number 5062-9236)
To Attach Front Handles to the Analyzer (Standard)

1. Ensure that the front handles kit is complete. **NOTE:** If any items are damaged or missing from the kit, contact the nearest HP sales and service office to order a replacement kit. Items within the kit (handles, flanges, screws, etc.) are not individually available.

2. Remove the side trim strips.

- (2) front handles
- (6) screws
- (2) trim strips

3. Attach the handles to the sides of the front panel, using three screws for each handle.

4. Place the new trim strip over the screws on the handles.

**WARNING:** If an instrument handle is damaged, you should replace it immediately. Damaged handles can break while you are moving or lifting the instrument and cause personal injury or damage to the instrument.
To Attach Cabinet Flanges to the Analyzer (Option 1CM)

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<td><strong>1.</strong> Ensure that the cabinet flange kit is complete.</td>
<td><strong>2.</strong> Remove side trim strips.</td>
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<tr>
<td>■ (2) cabinet mount flanges</td>
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<tr>
<td>■ (6) screws</td>
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**3.** Attach the cabinet flanges to the sides of the front panel using three screws for each flange.

**4.** Remove the feet and the tilt stands before cabinet mounting the instrument.

![Diagram showing steps 2 and 3](image1)

![Diagram showing steps 4](image2)
To Attach Cabinet Flanges and Front Handles to the Analyzer (Option 1CP)

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<th>1. Ensure that the cabinet flange kit with handles is complete.</th>
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<td>■ (8) screws</td>
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3. Attach the cabinet mount flanges and the handles to the sides of the front panel, using four screws per side. (Attach the flanges to the outside of the handles.)

4. Remove the feet and the tilt stands before cabinet mounting the instrument.

**WARNING:** If an instrument handle is damaged, you should replace it immediately.
**STEP 5. Verify the Analyzer Operation**

This step shows you how to check your analyzer for correct operation.

- installed options
- self-test
- operator's check
- transmission mode
- reflection mode

**NOTE** The HP 8753E has a three-year warranty for repair at a Hewlett-Packard facility. If the HP 8753E should fail any of the following tests, call your local HP sales and service office. If repair is necessary, send the analyzer to the nearest HP service center with a description of any failed test and any error message. Ship the analyzer, using the original or comparable anti-static packaging materials. A table listing of Hewlett-Packard sales and service offices is provided at the end of this guide.
To View the Installed Options

1. Switch on the AC power supplied to the analyzer, or cycle the AC power using the LINE switch, or press System, SERVICE MENU, FIRMWARE REVISION.

2. Locate the serial number and configuration options. Compare them to the shipment documents.
To Initiate the Analyzer Self-Test

1. Switch on the AC power supplied to the analyzer, and press Preset.

2. Watch for the following indications that the analyzer is operating correctly:

- **MESSAGES APPEAR IN SEQUENCE:**
  - INITIALIZING INSTRUMENT, PLEASE WAIT
  - SELF TEST PASSED

- **PARAMETERS APPEAR AFTER PRESET:**
  - CH1, S11, log MAG, 10dB, REF 0dB
  - START 30kHz, STOP 30Hz (or 60Hz FOR OPTION 006)

- **ILLUMINATES DURING AND AFTER PRESET:**
  - dgl18e
To Run the Operator's Check

1. Connect the equipment as shown.

2. Press Preset, System, SERVICE MENU, TESTS, EXTERNAL TESTS, EXECUTE TEST.

3. Follow the prompts shown on the analyzer display and then press CONTINUE.

4. Press 1, EXECUTE TEST, follow the prompts shown on the analyzer display, and then press CONTINUE.
To Test the Transmission Mode

1. Connect the equipment as shown and press Preset. **NOTE:** The test port return cable should have low-loss characteristics to avoid a degradation in frequency response at higher frequencies.

2. To check the forward transmission mode for channel 2, press Chan2, Meas, Trans:FWD S21(B/R).

3. Look at the measurement trace displayed on the analyzer. It should be similar to the trace below. **NOTE:** The analyzer display shown below and to the right is an HP 8753E Option 006 display (30 kHz to 6 GHz span).

4. To check the reverse transmission mode for channel 2, press Meas, Trans: REV S12 (A/R). The measurement trace should be similar to the trace below.
## To Test the Reflection Mode

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<td>Connect the equipment as shown and press Preset.</td>
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<td>Look at the measurement trace displayed on the analyzer. It should be similar to the trace below.</td>
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<td>3.</td>
<td>To check the reverse reflection mode for channel 1, press Meas, Refl: REV S22 (B/R). The measurement trace should be similar to the trace shown below.</td>
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<td>4.</td>
<td>If you are ready to start making measurements, continue with the next chapter “Quick Start: Learning How to Make Measurements”.</td>
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![Measurement trace](image1.png)

![Reverse reflection mode](image2.png)
STEP 6. Back Up the EEPROM Disk

Description
Correction constants are stored in EEPROM on the A9 controller assembly. The advantage of having an EEPROM backup disk is its capacity to store all the correction-constant data to a new or repaired A9 assembly without having to rerun the correction-constant procedures. The HP 8753E network analyzer is shipped from the factory with an EEPROM backup disk which is unique to each instrument. It is prudent to make a copy of the EEPROM backup disk so that it can be used in case of failure or damage to the original backup disk.

Equipment
3.5-inch disk.......................................................................................................................... HP 92192A (box of 10)

CAUTION
Do not mistake the line switch for the disk eject button. If the line switch is mistakenly pushed, the instrument will be turned off, losing all settings and data that have not been saved.

EEPROM Backup Disk Procedure
1. Insert a 3.5-inch disk into the HP 8753E disk drive.
2. Press Preset so that the preset state is stored.
3. If the disk is not formatted, press Save/Recall, FILE UTILITIES, FORMAT DISK.
   - To format a LIF disk, select FORMAT:LIF (The supplied EEPROM backup disk is LIF. The analyzer does not support LIF-HFS format.)
   - To format a DOS disk, select FORMAT:DOS
     Press FORMAT INT DISK and answer YES at the query.
4. Press System, SERVICE MENU, SERVICE MODES, MORE, STORE EEPR ON.
   Then press Save/Recall, SELECT DISK, INTERNAL DISK, RETURN, SAVE STATE to store the correction-constants data onto floppy disk.

NOTE
A default file "FILE0" is created. The file name appears in the upper left-hand corner of the display. The file type "ISTATE(E)" describes the file as an instrument-state with EEPROM backup.

5. Press FILE UTILITIES, RENAME FILE, ERASE TITLE. Use the RPG and the SELECT LETTER softkey to rename the file "FILE0" to "N12345" where 12345 represents the last 5 digits of the instrument's serial number. (The first character in the file name must be a letter.) When finished, press DONE.
6. Label the disk with the serial number of the instrument, the date, and the words "EEPROM Backup Disk".

**NOTE**  Whenever the HP 8753E network analyzer is returned to Hewlett-Packard for servicing and/or calibration, the EEPROM backup disk should be returned with the analyzer. This will significantly reduce the instrument repair time.

7. The EEPROM backup disk procedure is now complete.
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STEP 6. Back Up the EEPROM Disk
2 Quick Start: Learning How to Make Measurements
Quick Start: Learning How to Make Measurements

The information and procedures in this chapter teach you how to make measurements and what to do if you encounter a problem with your analyzer. The following sections are included:

- Front Panel
- Measurement Procedure
- Learning to Make Transmission Measurements
- Learning to Make Reflection Measurements
- If You Encounter a Problem
The HP 8753E - Front Panel

CAUTION  Do not mistake the line switch for the disk eject button. See the figure below. If the line switch is mistakenly pushed, the instrument will be turned off, losing all settings and data that have not been saved.

Figure 2-1  The HP 8753E Network Analyzer Front Panel

1. **LINE switch.** This switch controls ac power to the analyzer. 1 is on, 0 is off.
2. **Display.** This shows the measurement data traces, measurement annotation, and softkey labels.
3. **Disk drive.** This 3.5-inch drive allows you to store and recall instrument states and measurement results for later analysis.
4. **Disk eject button.** This button ejects the disk from the disk drive.
5. **Softkeys.** These keys provide access to menus that are shown on the display.
6. **STIMULUS function block.** The keys in this block allow you to control the analyzer source's frequency, power, and other stimulus functions.
7. **RESPONSE function block.** The keys in this block allow you to control the measurement and display functions of the active display channel.
8. **ACTIVE CHANNEL keys.** The analyzer has two independent display channels. These keys allow you to select the active channel. Then any function you enter applies to this active channel.

9. **The ENTRY block.** This block includes the knob, the step ↑↓ keys, and the number pad. These allow you to enter numerical data and control the markers.

   You can use the numeric keypad to select digits, decimal points, and a minus sign for numerical entries. You must also select a units terminator to complete value inputs.

10. **INSTRUMENT STATE function block.** These keys allow you to control channel-independent system functions such as the following:

    - copying, save/recall, and HP-IB controller mode
    - limit testing
    - external source mode
    - tuned receiver mode
    - frequency offset mode
    - test sequence function
    - harmonic measurements (Option 002)
    - time domain transform (Option 010)

   HP-IB STATUS indicators are also included in this block.

11. **Preset key.** This key returns the instrument to either a known factory preset state, or a user preset state that can be defined. Refer to the "Preset State and Memory Allocation" chapter in the HP 8753E Network Analyzer User's Guide for a complete listing of the instrument preset condition.

12. **PROBE POWER connectors.** These connectors (fused inside the instrument) supply power to an active probe for in-circuit measurements of ac circuits.

13. **R CHANNEL connectors.** These connectors allow you to apply an input signal to the analyzer's R channel, for frequency offset mode.

14. **PORT 1 and PORT 2.** These ports output a signal from the source and receive input signals from a device under test. PORT 1 allows you to measure S_{12} and S_{11}. PORT 2 allows you to measure S_{21} and S_{22}. 
Measurement Procedure

This is a general measurement procedure that is used throughout the guide to illustrate the use of the HP 8753E.

Step 1. Choose measurement parameters with your test device connected

- Press the Preset key to return the analyzer to a known state.
- Connect your test device to the analyzer.

**CAUTION** Damage may result to the device under test if it is sensitive to analyzer's default output power level. To avoid damaging a sensitive DUT, be sure to set the analyzer's output power to an appropriate level before connecting the DUT to the analyzer.

- Choose the settings that are appropriate for the intended measurement.
  - measurement type
  - frequencies
  - number of points
  - power
  - measurement trace format
- Make adjustments to the parameters while you viewing the device response.

Step 2. Make an error-correction (measurement calibration)

Press the Cal key to begin to make an error-correction using a known set of standards (a calibration kit). An error-correction establishes a magnitude and phase reference for the test setup and then reduces systematic measurement errors.

Step 3. Measure the device

- Reconnect the device under test.
- Use the markers to identify various device response values.

Step 4. Output measurement results

- Store the measurement file to a disk.
- Generate a hardcopy with a printer or plotter.
Learning to Make Transmission Measurements

This example procedure shows you how to measure the transmission response of a bandpass filter. The measurement parameters listed are unique to this particular test device.

For further measurement examples, refer to the "Optimizing Measurement Results" chapter in the HP 8753E Network Analyzer User's Guide.

**Step 1. Choose the measurement parameters with your test device connected**

1. Press the **Preset** key to return the analyzer to a known state.
2. Connect your test device to the analyzer as shown in Figure 2-2.

**CAUTION** Damage may result to the device under test if it is sensitive to analyzer's default output power level. To avoid damaging a sensitive DUT, be sure to set the analyzer's output power to an appropriate level before connecting the DUT to the analyzer.

**Figure 2-2** Device Connections for a Transmission Measurement

3. Choose the following measurement settings:
   - **Meas, Trans**: FWD S21 (B/R)
   - **Center**: 125, M/µ (Change to match the center frequency of your device.)
   - **Span**: 125, M/µ (Change to match the bandwidth of your device.)
   - **Menu**, **POWER**, 5, x1, **RETURN**
   - **Scale Ref**, **AUTO SCALE**

4. Look at the device response to determine if these are the parameters that you want for your device measurement. For example, if the trace is noisy you may want to increase the test port output power (which increases the analyzer input power), reduce the IF bandwidth, or add averaging. Or, to better see an area of interest, you may want to change the test frequencies.
Step 2. Make an error-correction (measurement calibration)

1. Connect a "thru" between the measurement cables, as shown in Figure 2-3. Include all the adapters that you will use in your device measurement.

   If noise reduction techniques are needed for the measurement, the instrument's settings (reduced IF BW, and/or averaging) should be done prior to any error-correction.

**Figure 2-3  Connections for a "Thru" Calibration Standard**

2. Press the following keys to make a transmission response calibration:

   Cal, CALIBRATE MENU, RESPONSE, THRU

3. To save the error-correction (measurement calibration), press:

   Save/Recall, SELECT DISK

4. Next, choose from the following options:

   - Choose INTERNAL MEMORY if you want to save the calibration results and instrument state to the analyzer's memory.
   - Choose INTERNAL DISK if you want to save the calibration results and instrument state to the disk that is in the analyzer's internal disk drive.
   - Choose EXTERNAL DISK if you want to save the calibration results and instrument state to the disk that is in an (optional) external disk drive that is configured to the analyzer.

5. Press RETURN, SAVE STATE to save the error-correction (measurement calibration).

**NOTE**

Example procedures for all types of error-corrections (measurement calibrations) are located in the "Optimizing Measurement Results" chapter in the HP 8753E Network Analyzer User's Guide. For information on the analyzer operation during an error-correction (measurement calibration), refer to the "Application and Operation Concepts" chapter in the user's guide.
Step 3. Measure the device

1. Connect your test device as in Figure 2-2. Use adapters where appropriate.

2. Press Scale Ref, AUTO SCALE to reposition the measurement trace for the best view.

3. Press Marker and turn the front panel knob to place the marker at a frequency of interest. Read the device's insertion loss to 0.001 dB resolution as shown in Figure 2-4.

The analyzer shows the frequency of the marker location in the active entry area (upper-left corner of display). The analyzer also shows the amplitude and frequency of the marker location in the top-right corner of the display.

Figure 2-4 Example Measurement of Insertion Loss
Step 4. Output measurement results

In this example procedure you are shown how to output (store) measurement results to a disk.

For more information on creating a hardcopy of the measurement results, refer to the "Printing, Plotting, and Saving Measurement Results" chapter in the HP 8753E Network Analyzer User's Guide.

**CAUTION**

Do not mistake the line switch for the disk eject button. If the line switch is mistakenly pushed, the instrument will be turned off, losing all settings and data that have not been saved.

1. Insert a DOS- or LIF-formatted disk into the analyzer disk drive. The analyzer does not support LIF-HFS (hierarchy file system).

2. To output the measurement results to a disk, press:

   **Save/Recall, SELECT DISK**
   
   - Choose **INTERNAL MEMORY** if you want to save the measurement results to the analyzer's internal memory.
   - Choose **INTERNAL DISK** if you want to save the measurement results to the analyzer's internal disk drive.
   - Choose **EXTERNAL DISK** if you want to save the measurement results to an (optional) external disk drive that is configured to the analyzer.

3. Press **RETURN, DEFINE DISK-SAVE**

   - Choose **DATA ARRAY ON** if you want to store the error-corrected data on disk with the instrument state.
   - Choose **RAW ARRAY ON** if you want to store the raw data (ratioed and averaged, but no error-correction) on disk with the instrument state.
   - Choose **FORMAT ARRY ON** if you want to store the formatted data on disk with the instrument state.
   - Choose **GRAPHICS ON** if you want to store user graphics on disk with the instrument state.
   - Choose **DATA ONLY ON** if you want to only store the measurement data of the device under test. The analyzer will not store the instrument state and error-correction (measurement calibration). Therefore, the saved data cannot be retrieved into the analyzer.

   **NOTE**

   Selecting **DATA ONLY ON** will override all of the other save options. Because this type of data is only intended for computer manipulation, the file contents of a **DATA ONLY ON** save cannot be recalled and displayed on the analyzer.

   - Choose **SAVE USING BINARY** if you want to store data in a binary format.
   - Choose **SAVE USING ASCII** if you want to store data in an ASCII format, to later read on a computer.

4. Press **RETURN, SAVE STATE** and the analyzer saves the file with a default title.
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Measuring Other Aspects of Insertion Loss with Marker Functions

Using the analyzer marker functions, you can derive several important filter parameters from the measurement trace that is shown on the analyzer display.

Figure 2-5  Example Measurement of 3 dB Bandwidth

Measuring 3 dB Bandwidth.

The analyzer can calculate your test device bandwidth between two equal power levels. In this example procedure, the analyzer calculates the −3 dB bandwidth relative to the center frequency of the filter.

1. Press Marker and turn the front panel knob to move the marker to the center frequency position of the filter passband.

   You can also position the marker by entering a frequency location: for example, press 125, MHz.

2. Press MKR ZERO to zero the delta marker magnitude and frequency (this sets the delta marker reference). The −3 dB points will be relative to this marker.

   The softkey label changes to MKR ZERO Δ REF= Δ to show you that the delta reference point is the small Δ symbol.

3. Press Marker Fctn, MKR SEARCH to enter the marker search mode.

4. Press WIDTHS ON.

   The analyzer calculates the −3 dB bandwidth, the center frequency and the Q (Quality Factor) of the test device and lists the results in the upper-right corner of the display. Markers 3 and 4 indicate the location of the −3 dB points, as shown in Figure 2-5.
5. Press **WIDTH VALUE** and enter \(-6, x1\).

   The analyzer now calculates the bandwidth between \(-6\) dB power levels.

6. Press **Marker, all OFF** when you are finished with this measurement.

**Measuring Out-of-Band Rejection.**

**Figure 2-6 Example Measurement of Out-of-Band Rejection**

1. Press **MARKER 1**. The marker appears where you placed it during the bandwidth measurement.

2. Press **MKR ZERO, Marker Fctn, MKR SEARCH, SEARCH: MIN**.

   The marker automatically searches for the minimum point on the trace. The frequency and amplitude of this point, relative to the delta symbol in the center of the filter passband, appear in the upper-right corner of the display. This value is the difference between the maximum power in the passband and the power in the rejection band, that is, one of the peaks in the rejection band.

**NOTE**

You can use the marker search mode to search the trace for the maximum point or for any target value. The target value can be an absolute level (for example, \(-3\) dBm) or a level relative to the location of the small delta symbol (for example: \(-3\) dB from the center of the passband).

3. If your measurement needs some noise reduction, you could reduce the IF bandwidth or add averaging.

   - To reduce the IF bandwidth, press **Avg, IF BW, \(\downarrow\)**.
   - To add averaging, press **Avg, AVERAGING ON**.
Passband flatness (or ripple) is the variation in insertion loss over a specified portion of the passband.

Continue with the following steps to measure passband flatness or ripple.

1. Press `Save/Recall`, `RECALL STATE` to recall the error-corrected transmission measurement that has no markers engaged.

2. Press `Marker` and turn the front panel knob to move marker 1 to the left edge of the passband.

3. Press `Δ MODE MENU`, `Δ REF=1` to change the marker 1 position to the delta reference point.

4. Press `MARKER 2` and turn the front panel knob to move marker 2 to the right edge of the passband.

5. Press `Marker Fctn`, `MKR MODE MENU`, `STATS ON`.

The analyzer calculates the mean, standard deviation, and peak-to-peak variation between the Δ reference marker and the active marker, and lists the results in the upper-right corner of the display. The passband ripple is automatically shown as the peak-to-peak variation between the markers.
Learning to Make Reflection Measurements

This example procedure shows you how to measure the reflection response of a bandpass filter. The measurement parameter values listed are unique to this particular test device.

For further measurement examples, refer to the "Making Measurements" chapter in the HP 8753E Network Analyzer User's Guide.

NOTE

Reflection measurements monitor only one port of a test device. When a test device has more than one port, you must ensure that the unused port(s) are terminated in their characteristic impedance (for example, 50Ω or 75Ω). If you do not terminate unused ports, reflections from these ports will cause measurement errors.

You can connect an unused device port to the unused analyzer test port, to act as a termination. For example: when you are measuring $S_{11}$ or $S_{22}$, you can connect an unused device port to the analyzer's PORT 2 or PORT 1, respectively.

The signal reflected from the device under test is measured as a ratio of the reflected energy versus the incident energy. It can be expressed as reflection coefficient, return loss, or standing-wave-ratio (SWR). These measurements are mathematically defined as follows:

**reflection coefficient ($\Gamma$)**
$$\Gamma = \frac{\text{reflected voltage}}{\text{incident voltage}} = S_{11} \text{ or } S_{22} \text{ (magnitude and phase)}$$

**magnitude of reflection coefficient ($\rho$)**
$$|\Gamma|$$

**return loss (dB)**
$$=-20 \log (\rho), \text{ where } (\rho) = |\Gamma|$$

**standing-wave-ratio (SWR)**
$$= \frac{V_{\text{maximum}}}{V_{\text{minimum}}} = \frac{(1 + \rho)}{(1 - \rho)}$$
Step 1. Choose measurement parameters with your test device connected

NOTE For purposes of explanation, a 125 MHz bandpass filter was used as the test device throughout this section.

1. Press the Preset key to return the analyzer to a known state.
2. Connect your test device as shown in Figure 2-8.

CAUTION Damage may result to the device under test if it is sensitive to analyzer’s default output power level. To avoid damaging a sensitive DUT, be sure to set the analyzer’s output power to an appropriate level before connecting the DUT to the analyzer.

Figure 2-8 Connections for Reflection Measurements

3. Choose the following measurement parameters:

   Meas, Refl:FWD S11 (A/R)
   Center, 125, M/µ
   Span, 100, M/µ
   Menu, POWER, 5, x1, RETURN
   Scale Ref, AUTO SCALE

NOTE If you press Start and Stop, the analyzer will show the frequencies at the beginning and end of the frequency span that you have set up around the center frequency. This is also another method you could use to set the analyzer’s measurement frequencies.

4. Look at the device response to determine if these are the measurement parameters that you want. For example, if the trace is noisy you may want to increase the input power, reduce the IF bandwidth, or add averaging. Or, to better see an area of interest, you may want to change the test frequencies.
Step 2. Make an error-correction (measurement calibration)

Follow these instructions to make an $S_{11}$ 1-port error correction:

1. Select a calibration kit that is appropriate to your device under test. Press Cal, CAL KIT, SELECT CAL KIT. Choose the calibration kit that is appropriate to your test device by pressing the appropriate softkey. For example, if your test device uses type-N 50Ω connectors, press N 50Ω. If your test device uses 7-mm connectors, press 7mm, and so on.

2. Press return, CALIBRATE MENU, S11 1-PORT.

3. Follow the prompts shown on the analyzer display to connect and measure an open, short, and load on PORT 1.

Any choice of male/female in the calibration process should always be made for the sex that represents the test port. For example, if the test port had a male, type-N connector, you would connect the female, type-N calibration device. But when you follow the prompts on the analyzer to measure a short calibration standard, you would select SHORT (M), or the sex that represents the test port.

**CAUTION** To ensure an accurate error correction, you must connect the calibration standards to the adapters or cables that you will include in the actual device measurement.

**NOTE** If a mistake is made, standards can be measured more than once before pressing DONE 1-PORT CAL.

**Figure 2-9 Connections for an $S_{11}$ 1-Port Error-Correction (Measurement Calibration)**

4. Press DONE 1-PORT CAL after measuring the three standards.

5. Press Save/Recall.
6. Press **SAVE STATE** to complete the process.

**Step 3. Measure the device**

**Measuring Return Loss.**

1. Connect your device to PORT 1.

2. Terminate any unused port on your device. You can do this by either connecting a load to the device's unused port, or by connecting the device's unused port to PORT 2 on the HP 8753E.

3. Press **Scale Ref**, **AUTO SCALE** to reposition the trace.

4. Press **Marker** to read the return loss from the analyzer display as shown in **Figure 2-10**.

   The device response indicates that the filter and the analyzer impedances are well matched within the frequency range of the filter passband. That is, the reflected signal is smaller within the filter passband than outside the passband.

   In terms of return loss, the value within the passband is larger than outside the passband. A large value for return loss corresponds to a small reflected signal just as a large value for insertion loss corresponds to a small transmitted signal.

**Figure 2-10 Example Return Loss Measurement Trace**
Step 4. Output measurement results

This step in the procedure shows you how to output the measurement results to a printer.

For in-depth information on creating a hardcopy of the measurement results, refer to the "Printing, Plotting, and Saving Measurement Results" chapter in the HP 8753E Network Analyzer User’s Guide.

1. Connect a printer to the analyzer as described in the "Installing Your Analyzer" chapter.

2. Press Display, MORE, TITLE and then create a title for the measurement, as shown in Figure 2-11:

   - Use an optional DIN keyboard to type the title, or
   - Use the front panel knob and the softkey menu to select each letter of the title.

3. Press DONE when you finish creating the measurement title. The title appears on the upper-left corner of the analyzer display.

4. Press Local, SYSTEM CONTROLLER to set up the analyzer as the controller. If you are using an HP-IB printer, ensure that there is not another controller on the bus. (Note that this step is not required when using parallel or serial printers.)

5. Press Copy, PRINT MONOCHROME to create a black and white hardcopy.

NOTE
If you encounter a problem when printing a hardcopy, refer to "To Configure an Analyzer with Printers or Plotters" in the "Installing your Analyzer" chapter.

Figure 2-11 Example Measurement Title
Measuring Other Reflection Characteristics

You can derive several important filter parameters from the measurement shown on the analyzer display. The following set of procedures is a continuation of the previous reflection measurement procedure.

Measuring Reflection Coefficient:

1. Press Save/Recall, RECALL STATE to recall the calibrated reflection measurement that you saved earlier in this procedure.

2. Press Format, LIN MAG, Scale Ref, AUTO SCALE so the analyzer shows the same data in terms of reflection coefficient, as shown in Figure 2-12.

   The units "mU" displayed on the analyzer are "milli-units," where "units" or "U" is used to indicate that the parameter is unitless (as opposed to log or linear). For example, 200 mUnits = 0.2.

**Figure 2-12 Example Reflection Coefficient Measurement Trace**
Measuring Standing Wave Ratio (SWR).

Press **Format**, **SWR** so the analyzer shows the same data in terms of standing-wave-ratio (SWR), as shown in Figure 2-13.

Now the analyzer shows the measurement data in the unitless measure of SWR where SWR = 1 (perfect match) at the bottom of the display.

**Figure 2-13**  Example Standing-Wave-Ratio Measurement Trace
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Measuring $S_{11}$ and $S_{22}$ in a Polar Format.

$S_{11}$ is a measurement parameter used to measure the reflection coefficient of your test device input, where $S_{22}$ is a measurement parameter used to measure the reflection coefficient of the your test device output. In both instances, you must terminate all the unused ports.

1. Press Format, POLAR.

2. Press Scale Ref, AUTO SCALE to reposition the trace, as shown in Figure 2-14.

   The analyzer shows the results of an $S_{11}$ measurement with each point on the polar trace corresponding to a particular value of both magnitude and phase. The center of the circle represents a coefficient ($\Gamma$) of 0, (that is, a perfect match or no reflected signal). The outermost circumference of the scale shown in Figure 2-14 represents $\rho = 2.00$, or 200% reflection. The phase angle is read directly from this display. The 3 o'clock position corresponds to zero phase angle, (that is, the reflected signal is at the same phase as the incident signal). Phase differences of 90°, 180°, and −90° correspond to the 12 o'clock, 9 o'clock, and 6 o'clock positions on the polar display, respectively.

3. Press Marker Fctn, MKR MODE MENU, POLAR MKR MENU.

4. Turn the front panel knob to position the marker at any desired point on the trace, then read the frequency, linear magnitude and phase in the upper right hand corner of the display.
   - Choose LIN MKR if you want the analyzer to show the linear magnitude and the phase of the marker.
   - Choose LOG MKR if you want the analyzer to show the logarithmic magnitude and the phase of the active marker. This is useful as a fast method of obtaining a reading of the log-magnitude value without changing to log-magnitude format.
   - Choose RE/IM MKR if you want the analyzer to show the values of the marker as a real and imaginary pair.

**NOTE**
You can also enter the frequency of interest, from either the optional attached keyboard or the numeric keypad, and read the magnitude and phase at that point.
Measuring Impedance.

The amount of power reflected from a device is directly related to the impedance of the device and the measuring system. Each value of the reflection coefficient ($\Gamma$) uniquely defines a device impedance; $\Gamma = 0$ only occurs when the device and analyzer impedance are exactly the same. The reflection coefficient for a short circuit is: $\Gamma = 1 \angle 180^\circ$. Every other value for $\Gamma$ also corresponds uniquely to a complex device impedance, according to the equation:

$$ Z_L = \left(\frac{1 + (\Gamma)}{1 - \Gamma}\right) \times Z_0 $$

where $Z_L$ is your test device impedance and $Z_0$ is the measuring system’s characteristic impedance (50Ω or 75Ω).

1. Press Format, SMITH CHART, Scale Ref, AUTOSCALE.

2. Press Marker Fctn, MKR MODE MENU, SMITH MKR MENU and turn the front panel knob to read the resistive and reactive components of the complex impedance at any point along the trace, as shown in Figure 2-15. This is the default Smith chart marker.

The marker annotation tells that the complex impedance is capacitive in the bottom half of the Smith chart display and is inductive in the top half of the display.

- Choose LIN MKR if you want the analyzer to show the linear magnitude and the phase of the reflection coefficient at the marker.

- Choose LOG MKR if you want the analyzer to show the logarithmic magnitude and the phase of the reflection coefficient at the active marker. This is useful as a fast method of obtaining a reading of the log magnitude value without changing to log magnitude format.

- Choose Re/Im MKR if you want the analyzer to show the values of the reflection coefficient at the marker as a real and imaginary pair.
Choose \( R_{+}X \) \( MKR \) to show the real and imaginary parts of the device impedance at the marker. Also shown is the equivalent series inductance or capacitance (the series resistance and reactance, in ohms).

**Figure 2-15 Example Impedance Measurement Trace**

![Impedance Measurement Trace Diagram](image-url)
Measuring Admittance.

To change the display to an inverse Smith chart graticule and the marker information to read admittance, press $G+jB$ MKR.

As shown in Figure 2-16, the marker reads admittance data in the form $G+jB$, where $G$ is conductance and $B$ is susceptance, both measured in units of Siemens (equivalent to mhos: the inverse of ohms). Also shown is the equivalent parallel capacitance or inductance.

**Figure 2-16** Example Admittance Measurement Trace

![Example Admittance Measurement Trace](image-url)
If You Encounter a Problem

If you have difficulty when installing or using the HP 8753E, check the following list of commonly encountered problems and troubleshooting procedures. If the problem that you encounter is not in the following list, refer to additional sections entitled "If You Have a Problem" in the HP 8753E Network Analyzer User's Guide.

Power-up Problems

If the HP 8753E display does not light:

- Check that the power cord is fully seated in both the main power receptacle and the analyzer power module.
- Check that the AC line voltage selector switch is in the appropriate position (230 V/115 V) for your available power supply.
- Check that the analyzer AC line fuse is not open.

**WARNING**

For continued protection against fire hazard, replace the fuse with the same type and rating.

Refer to Figure 2-17 to remove the fuse from the power module. You can use a continuity light or an ohmmeter to check the fuse. An ohmmeter should read very close to zero ohms if the fuse is good. The 3 A, 250 V fuse is HP part number 2110-0780.

- Contact the nearest Hewlett-Packard office for service, if necessary. A list of Hewlett-Packard sales and service offices is provided at the end of this guide.

**WARNING**

The power cord is connected to internal capacitors that may remain live for 10 seconds after you disconnect the cord from the power supply.

**Figure 2-17** Line Fuse Removal and Replacement
If the display lights, but the ventilation fan does not start:

- Check that the fan is not obstructed. To check the fan, follow these steps:
  1. Switch the LINE power to the off position.
  2. Check that the fan blades are not jammed.

- Contact the nearest Hewlett-Packard office for service, if necessary. A list of Hewlett-Packard sales and service offices is provided at the end of this guide.

Data Entry Problems

If the data entry controls (keypad, knob, ↑, ↓, ↩, ⇨ keys) do not respond:

- Check that the ENTRY OFF function is not enabled.
  The ENTRY OFF function is enabled after you press the Entry Off key. To return to normal entry mode, press any function key that has a numeric parameter associated with it, for example, Start.

- Check that none of the keys are stuck.

- Check that the selected function key accepts data.
  For example, Scale Ref accepts data, but System does not.

- Check that the analyzer's "R" HP-IB STATUS light is not illuminated.
  If the analyzer's "R" HP-IB STATUS light is illuminated, a test sequence may be running, or a connected computer controller may be sending commands or instructions to, or receiving data from, the analyzer. Press Local if you want to return to LOCAL control.

If the parameter you are trying to enter is not accepted by the analyzer:

- Ensure that you are not attempting to set the parameter greater than or less than its limit. Refer to the HP 8753E Network Analyzer User's Guide for the parameter limits.

No RF Output

If there is no RF signal at either PORT 1 or PORT 2 connector:

- Check that the signal at the test ports is switched on.
  - Press Menu, POWER, SOURCE PWR until ON appears on the SOURCE PWR softkey label.

- If you are applying external modulation (AM) to the analyzer, check the external modulating signal or external gate/trigger signals for problems.
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CAUTION

If the error message:

CAUTION: OVERLOAD ON INPUT X, POWER REDUCED

appears on the HP 8753E display, too much source power is being applied at the input. In such a case, the input power will need to be reduced before the source power will remain on.

—if phase-lock error messages appear on the analyzer display, check that the front panel jumper is secure on the R CHANNEL connectors. If the jumper is secure and the error messages still appear, contact your nearest Hewlett-Packard office for service. A list of Hewlett-Packard Sales and Service offices is provided at the end of this guide.
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