

HP 8752C and HP 8753D Network Analyzers

Technical Specifications

300 kHz to 1.3, 3, or 6 GHz
30 kHz to 3 GHz or 6 GHz

Two excellent choices, the HP 8752C and HP 8753D continue the tradition of affordable excellence in RF component measurements for the lab and production test areas.

The HP 8752C and HP 8753D network analyzers bring superior performance and useful productivity features to simplify and speed your device, component, or network measurements in the 30 kHz to 6 GHz frequency range.

A swept synthesized source, sensitive receiver, and crisp color display ensure rapid, accurate, and easy-to-read test results.

Since the HP 8752C and HP 8753D are vector network analyzers, they not only provide magnitude and phase information, but also offer up to 110 dB dynamic range, make group delay and time domain measurements, and utilize vector accuracy enhancement to minimize measurement uncertainty.

HP 8752C optimizes economy and convenience

The HP 8752C provides much of the performance of the HP 8753D at a substantial cost reduction. Among the most important features of the HP 8752C are:

- Frequency range from 300 kHz to 1.3 GHz, or optionally 3 GHz or 6 GHz.
- 50 and 75 ohm solutions.
- Built-in test set for transmission and reflection measurements.
- Optional step attenuator for extended source output power range.

HP 8753D maximizes versatility and performance

The HP 8753D offers even more flexibility and measurement capability than the HP 8752C in the following areas:

- Frequency range from 30 kHz to 3 GHz, or optionally 6 GHz.
- Built-in S-parameter test set provides complete forward and reverse measurements, allowing you to completely characterize your component with a single connection.
- 50 and 75 ohm solutions.
- Superb accuracy. The most comprehensive calibration available guarantees accurate measurements. TRL*/LRM* makes calibration in non-coaxial environments easier and more convenient.
- Mixer testing. Quickly and easily characterize frequency translating devices such as mixers.
- Add swept harmonic measurements. Characterize amplifier parameters — gain, 1 dB compression, match — and 2nd and 3rd harmonic distortion with the same test setup.
- Built-in 3.5 inch floppy disk drive provides convenient storage of instrument states and data.
- Parallel and serial ports provide interfaces to popular printers and plotters. The parallel port can also be used as a general I/O bus, with user-controllable TTL inputs and outputs. Users can also connect a DIN keyboard to speed up entry of titles, labels, or file names, and for remote front panel operation.

Definitions and Test Conditions

This document provides two types of performance information:

Specifications describe the instrument's warranted performance over the temperature range of $23 \pm 3^\circ\text{C}$, unless otherwise stated. Specifications for frequencies above 3 GHz do not apply to instruments with Option 075 (75 ohm impedance).

Supplemental characteristics are typical but non-warranted performance parameters. These are denoted as "typical," "nominal," or "approximate."

Dynamic Range

System dynamic range is the noise level relative to a "thru." It is calculated as the difference between the maximum receiver input level and the receiver's noise floor. System dynamic range applies to transmission measurements only, since reflection measurements are limited by directivity.

Noise floor is specified as the mean of the noise trace over frequency. A signal at this level would have a signal/noise power ratio of 3 dB. Noise floor is measured with the test ports terminated in loads, full two-port error correction (with 16 averages used during isolation), 10 Hz IF bandwidth (BW), maximum test port power, and no averaging during the measurement.

Measurement Uncertainty

Curves show the worst-case magnitude and phase uncertainty for reflection and transmission measurements, after a full two-port calibration (including isolation with an averaging factor of 16) using the specified cal kit, with 10 Hz IF bandwidth (BW) and no averaging.

Calibration is the process of measuring known standards from a calibration kit to characterize a network analyzer's systematic (repeatable) errors.

Reflection measurement uncertainty is plotted as a function of S11 (reflection coefficient, linear). The curves assume a one-port device ($S21=S12=0$).

Transmission measurement uncertainty is plotted as a function of S21 (transmission gain/loss) in dB from the reference level. The curves assume that the device is well-matched ($S11=S22=0$).

The reference level for HP 8753D measurements is -2 dBm test port power. For HP 8752C measurements, the reference level is -10 dBm test port power.

Measurement Port Characteristics

Corrected (residual) indicates performance after error correction (calibration). It is determined by the quality of calibration standards and how well "known" they are, plus system repeatability, stability, and noise.

Uncorrected (raw) indicates intrinsic performance without error correction. This is related to the ultimate stability of a calibration.

Organization of Data

The information in this document is organized into the following sections. All data is subject to change.

System Performance Summary

These pages describe specifications or characteristics that apply to complete HP 8753D and HP 8752C measurement systems in various connector types. The measurement uncertainty curves and measurement port characteristics given for HP 8753D systems also apply to the HP 8753D with Options 006 and 011 and the HP 85047A test set (50 ohm), or the HP 8753D Option 011 with an HP 85046B test set (75 ohm).

Test Port Output Characteristics

Test Port Input Characteristics

Separate sections are provided for an HP 8753D (no Option 011), HP 8753D with Option 011, and HP 8752C.

Supplemental Characteristics

These apply to both the HP 8752C and the HP 8753D unless otherwise noted.

HP 8753D Test Set Specifications

This section provides information on test sets that are available for use with the HP 8753D Option 011.

HP 8753D Accessories

HP 8752C Accessories

These sections contain information about calibration kits, cables, adapters, and other accessories. Many of the HP 8753D accessories can also be used with the HP 8752C. In these cases, specifications for those accessories may be found in the HP 8753D section.

System Performance Summary

HP 8753D (50 ohm systems) Type-N Test Ports

The following specifications describe the system performance of the HP 8753D network analyzer with an integrated 50 ohm s-parameter test set configuration. System hardware includes the following:

Network analyzer: HP 8753D Option 006
 Calibration kit: HP 85032B
 Test port cables: HP 11851B

Dynamic Range

These specifications apply to transmission measurements in the 30 kHz to 6 GHz frequency range at 10 Hz IF BW with full two-port error correction. Dynamic range is limited by maximum receiver input level and the receiver's noise floor.

System dynamic range

30 kHz to 300 kHz 100 dB¹
 300 kHz to 1.3 GHz 110 dB²
 1.3 GHz to 3 GHz 110 dB
 3 GHz to 6 GHz 105 dB

Typical Measurement Uncertainty³

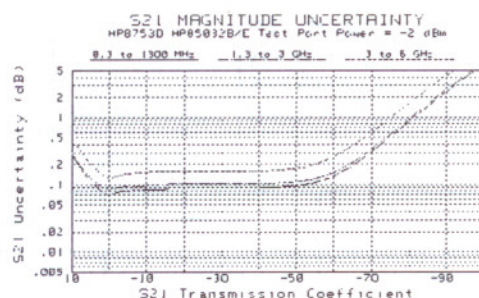
The following graphs show the typical measurement uncertainty for the HP 8753D over the full frequency range using full two-port error correction.

Measurement Port Characteristics

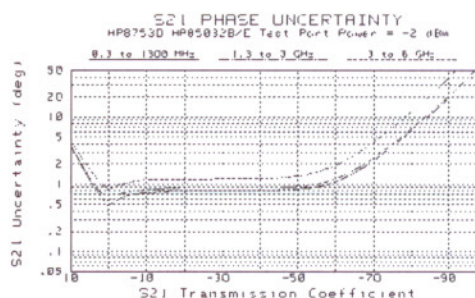
The following specifications show the residual HP 8753D system uncertainties for corrected performance after accuracy enhancement using full two-port error correction. These characteristics apply for an environmental temperature of $25 \pm 5^\circ\text{C}$, with less than 1°C deviation from the calibration temperature.

Corrected	Frequency Range			
	30 kHz-300 kHz ⁴	300 kHz-1.3 GHz	1.3 GHz-3 GHz	3 GHz-6 GHz
Directivity	50 dB	50 dB	47 dB	40 dB
Source Match	49 dB	42 dB	36 dB	31 dB
Load Match	50 dB	50 dB	47 dB	40 dB
Refl. tracking	± 0.005 dB	± 0.009 dB	± 0.019 dB	± 0.070 dB
Trans. tracking	± 0.014 dB	± 0.013 dB	± 0.026 dB	± 0.065 dB

Transmission Measurements⁴

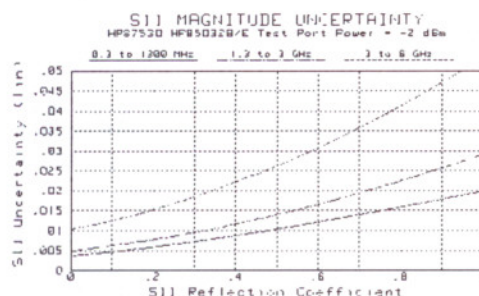


Magnitude

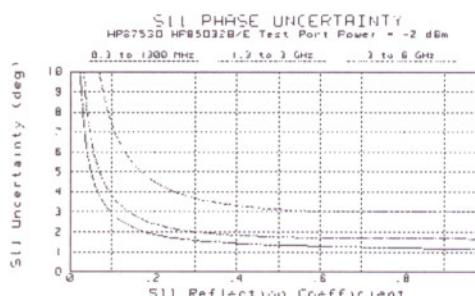


Phase

Reflection Measurements⁵



Magnitude



Phase

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HP 8753D Option 011 Specifications

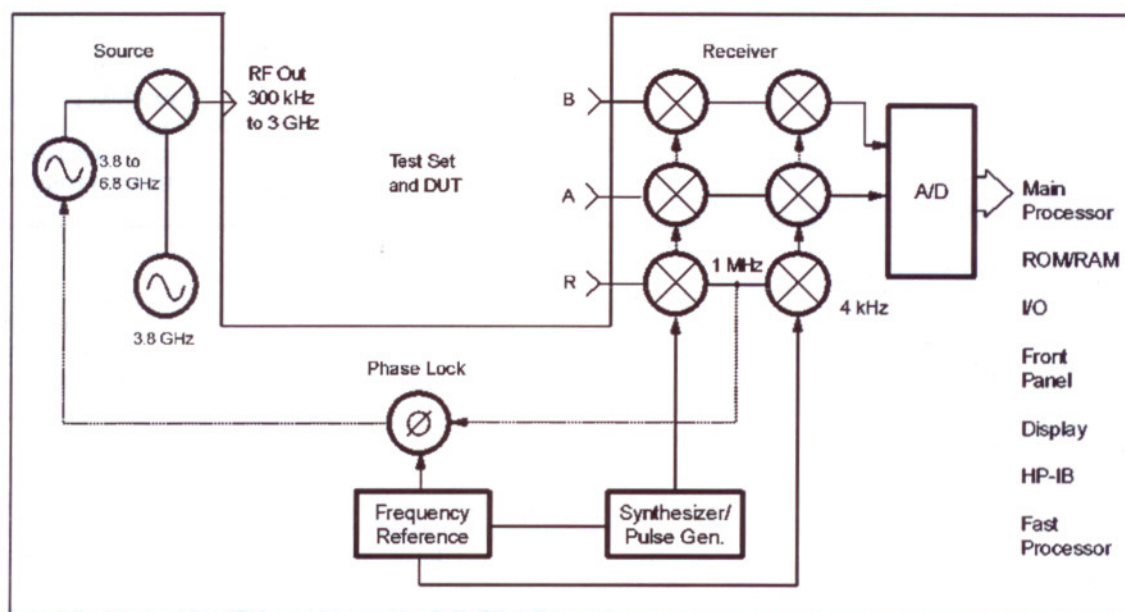
Test Port Output Characteristics

Frequency Characteristics

Range:	300 kHz to 3 GHz 30 kHz to 6 GHz (with Option 006)
Resolution:	1 Hz
Stability:	typically ± 7.5 ppm 0° to 55°C typically ± 3 ppm/year With Option 1D5: typically ± 0.05 ppm 0° to 55°C typically ± 0.5 ppm/year
Accuracy:	± 10 ppm at $25^\circ\text{C} \pm 5^\circ\text{C}$
Power range:	-5 to +20 dBm -5 to +18 dBm (with Option 006)
Resolution:	0.05 dB
Level accuracy⁷:	± 1.0 dB
Level linearity^{7,8,24}:	(-5 dBm to +15 dBm) ± 0.25 dB (+15 dBm to +20 dBm) ± 0.5 dB
Impedance:	50 Ω ; typically ≥ 16 dB RL (<1.38 SWR) to 3 GHz ≥ 14 dB RL (<1.50 SWR) to 6 GHz
Spectral purity:	
2nd harmonic²:	< -25 dBc at 20 dBm < -40 dBc at 10 dBm (typical) < -50 dBc at 0 dBm (typical)
3rd harmonic^{2*}:	< -25 dBc at 20 dBm < -40 dBc at 10 dBm (typical) < -50 dBc at 0 dBm (typical)
Nonharmonic spurious:	
Mixer related:	< -30 dBc at 20 dBm (typical) < -55 dBc at 0 dBm (typical)

Test Port Input Characteristics

Frequency range:	300 kHz to 3 GHz 30 kHz to 6 GHz (with Option 006)
Average noise level:	-90 dBm (3 kHz BW, 50 kHz to 3 GHz) -110 dBm (10 Hz BW, 50 kHz to 3 GHz) -120 dBm (10 Hz BW, 50 kHz to 3 GHz) (typical) -85 dBm (3 kHz BW, 3 to 6 GHz) -105 dBm (10 Hz BW, 3 to 6 GHz) -115 dBm (10 Hz BW, 3 to 6 GHz) (typical)
Maximum input level:	0 dBm
Damage level:	20 dBm or 35 VDC
Impedance: 50 ohms:	≥ 10 dB RL, 30 kHz to 50 kHz ≥ 20 dB RL, 50 kHz to 300 kHz ≥ 23 dB RL, 300 kHz to 1.3 GHz ≥ 20 dB RL, 1.3 GHz to 3 GHz ≥ 8 dB RL, 3 GHz to 6 GHz
Frequency response:	± 1.0 dB, 300 kHz to 3 GHz ($25^\circ \pm 5^\circ\text{C}$) ± 2.0 dB, 3 GHz to 6 GHz
Harmonics (Option 002):	
2nd harmonic:	< -15 dBc at 0 dBm < -35 dBc at -10 dBm (typical) < -45 dBc at -30 dBm (typical)
3rd harmonic:	< -30 dBc at 0 dBm < -50 dBc at -10 dBm (typical) < -50 dBc at -30 dBm (typical)
Harmonic Measurement Accuracy:	($25^\circ \pm 5^\circ\text{C}$) 16 MHz to 3 GHz ± 1 dB 3 GHz to 6 GHz: ± 3 dB (With Option 006)
Harmonic Measurement Dynamic Range:	-40 dBc (output = -10 dBm, input < -15 dBm)



HP 8753D Option 011 Block Diagram

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Measurement

Number of display channels:

Two display channels available

Measurement parameters:

HP 8752C: Transmission, reflection

HP 8753D: S11, S21, S12, S22, A, B, R, A/R, B/R, A/B.

Conversion to impedance or admittance

Formats:

Cartesian: log/linear magnitude, phase, group delay, SWR, real and imaginary.

Smith chart: with log/linear amplitude and phase, $R + jX$, $G + jB$, or real/imaginary markers.

Polar: with linear/log amplitude, phase, or real and imaginary markers.

Data markers:

Each display channel has four independent markers which can be displayed simultaneously. Markers can indicate data at actual data points or they can interpolate between data points to allow the setting of a marker at an exact frequency. Any one of the four markers can be the reference marker for delta marker operation. Markers can be coupled or uncoupled between display channels. Eight independent markers can be displayed simultaneously on a single measurement in dual channel mode when markers are uncoupled.

Marker functions:

Markers can be used in various functions: Marker search (Mkr to max, Mkr to min, Mkr to target), Mkr bandwidth with user-defined target values, mkr $\rightarrow$ start, mkr $\rightarrow$ stop, mkr $\rightarrow$ center, mkr $\rightarrow$ span, mkr $\rightarrow$ reference, mkr $\rightarrow$ delay, and trace statistics (average value, standard deviation, and peak-to-peak deviation of the data trace between two markers). The tracking function enables continuous update of marker search values on each sweep.

Group Delay Characteristics

Group delay is computed by measuring the phase change within a specified frequency step (determined by the frequency span, and the number of points per sweep).

Aperture: selectable

maximum aperture: 20% of frequency span

minimum aperture: (freq. span) / (number of points - 1)

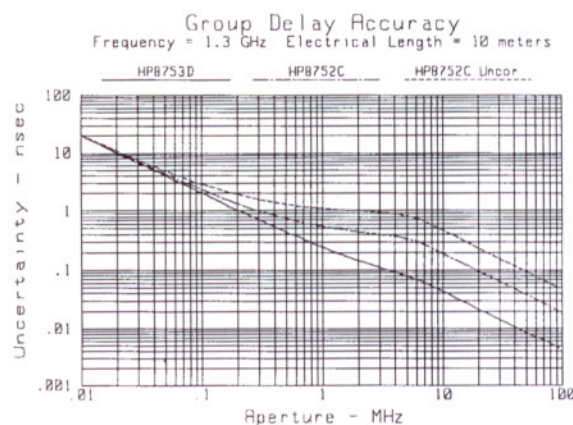
Range:

The maximum delay is limited to measuring no more than 180° of phase change within the minimum aperture.

Range = $1 / (2 \times \text{minimum aperture})$

Accuracy:

The following graph shows group delay accuracy at 1.3 GHz with Type-N full two-port calibration and 10 Hz IF bandwidth. Insertion loss is assumed to be < 2 dB and electrical length to be ten meters.



Group Delay Accuracy vs. Aperture

In general, the following formula can be used to determine the accuracy, in seconds, of a specific group delay measurement.

$$\pm(0.003 \times \text{Phase accuracy(deg)}) / \text{Aperture(Hz)}$$

Depending on the aperture and device length, the phase accuracy used is either incremental phase accuracy or worse case phase accuracy. The above graph shows this transition.

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Source Control

Sweep limits:

Set start/stop or center/span of the stimulus parameter (frequency, power, time) directly through the source control keys and the control knob, the step keys or the data entry keyboard.

Sweep type:

Set a linear or logarithmic sweep, an arbitrarily defined frequency list, a power sweep or a CW (single frequency) type of sweep.

Measured number of points per sweep:

Linear frequency: choose 3, 11, 26, 51, 101, 201, 401, 801, or 1601 points.

Arbitrary frequency list:

Define up to 30 different sub-sweep frequency ranges in any combination of CW, CW-Delta F, or Start-Stop sweep modes.

Sweep modes:

Set a coupled channel sweep (same stimulus conditions on both channels) or an uncoupled channel sweep (alternate sweep).

Chop/alternate:

Select whether to alternately or simultaneously (chop) measure channels when in dual channel mode. Chop mode is faster, while alternate mode optimizes dynamic range. The analyzers default to chop mode.

Sweep time:

Set sweep time in seconds, minutes or hours. Minimum sweep time is dependent on number of data points per sweep and selected IF bandwidth.

Auto sweep time:

Select auto sweep time by entering zero seconds sweep time. The analyzer will sweep at the minimum sweep time for any subsequently selected stimulus conditions. Auto sweep time is the default condition.

Sweep trigger:

Set to either continuous, hold, single, group sweep, or external trigger. Set external trigger to take a complete sweep or to measure individual points in a frequency, power or list sweep.

Power:

Set source power (-85 to +10 dBm) for HP 8753D or HP 8752C (Option 004). Power slope can be set in dBm/GHz. With the HP 8753D control the test port signal by setting the internal attenuator of the test set over a 70 dB range. Power trip automatically reduces source power to its minimum value when excessive signal levels are incident on the receiver test port. A caution message is also displayed. (Source power range differs depending on the selected options. Refer to the "Test Port Output Characteristics" section for the appropriate instrument for more information.)

Power Meter Calibration (HP 8753D)

Description:

Use a power meter to set leveled input or output power at the device-under-test at a single point or an entire sweep. With an HP 436A, HP 437B or HP 438A power meter connected, the Cal Sweep measures the actual test port power. After the calibration is enabled, the internal RF source power is adjusted (within the range of -85 to +10 dBm) to achieve the selected power at the input of the device under test rather than at the test port output. HP-IB control of the power meter for normalization or leveling is built-in. Logarithmic, linear, CW, and list sweeps can be calibrated.

Update calibration:

Select continuous leveling (requires a power splitter) by measuring and updating source power on each sweep or use a correction table (to modify source power) which is created with an initial single sweep.

Number of readings:

Make single or multiple power meter readings at each frequency.

Data Accuracy Enhancement

Measurement calibration:

Measurement calibration is the process through which measurement uncertainty due to errors caused by system directivity, source and load match, tracking, and crosstalk are significantly reduced. In the HP 8752C, the systematic errors have been reduced by a built-in "factory calibration" so that the measurements can be made on many devices without performing a measurement calibration. For greater accuracy, especially for special test set-ups, the HP 8752C offers a one-port reflection calibration to remove the reflection systematic errors and a transmission response calibration to remove the tracking error. A wide range of calibrations are available for the HP 8753D. Full two-port calibration removes all the systematic errors to obtain the most accurate measurements.

Calibration types available:**Frequency response:**

Simultaneous magnitude and phase correction of frequency response errors for either reflection or transmission measurements. Requires a short or open circuit termination (reflection) or a through connection (transmission).

Response and isolation:

Compensates for frequency response and directivity (reflection) or frequency response and crosstalk errors. Requires an open, short, and load circuit termination (reflection) and a through connection and load termination (transmission).

One-port calibration:

Uses test set port 1 or port 2 (HP 8753D) or reflection port (HP 8752C) to correct for directivity, frequency response and source match errors. Requires open, short, and load.

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Two-port calibration (HP 8753D):

Compensates for directivity, source match, reflection frequency response, load match, transmission frequency response and crosstalk for an S-parameter test set. Crosstalk calibration can be eliminated. Requires open, short, and load terminations for both ports plus a through connection.

TRL*/LRM* calibration (HP 8753D):

Compensates for directivity, reflection and transmission frequency response, and crosstalk in both the forward and reverse directions. Especially suitable for calibrating non-coaxial environments, such as in test fixtures. Requires through, reflect, and line or match standards. TRL*/LRM* is a special implementation of TRL/LRM calibration, modified for the three-sampler receiver in the HP 8753D.

One-port, two-path calibration (HP 8753D):

A two-port cal for the one-port reflection/transmission test sets. Provides a full two-port error corrected measurement when the device under test is turned around and measured in both directions.

Interpolated error correction:

With any type of accuracy enhancement applied, interpolated mode recalculates the error coefficients when the test frequencies are changed. The number of points can be increased or decreased and the start/stop frequencies can be changed, but the resulting frequency span must be equal to or less than the original calibration frequency span. System performance is not specified for measurements with interpolated error correction applied.

Set Z_0 :

Can redefine the characteristic impedance of a measurement to a value other than 50 or 75 ohms.

Velocity factor:

Enters the velocity factor to calculate equivalent electrical length.

Reference plane extension:

Redefine the plane of measurement reference to other than port 1 or port 2 of the HP 8753D or the reflection and transmission ports of the HP 8752C. A new reference plane is defined in seconds of delay from the test set port and ranges between ± 1 seconds.

Select default calibration kit:

Select from a list of standard calibration kits: 7 mm, 3.5 mm (choose HP 85033C or 85033D), Type-N 50 ohm, and Type-N 75 ohm. You can also define the standards (e.g., open circuit capacitance coefficients, offset short length, or fixed loads) of a user-defined kit.

Data averaging:

IF bandwidth:

The IF bandwidth is selectable from 3 kHz to 10 Hz bandwidth to reduce the effective displayed noise floor of the instrument.

Weighted sweep-to-sweep averaging:

Averages vector data on each successive sweep.

$A(n) = S(n)/F + (1-1/F)*A(N-1)$ where $A(n)$ is the current average, $S(n)$ is the current input signal and F is the averaging factor. Averaging factors range from 1 to 999.

Trace smoothing:

Similar to video filtering, this function computes the moving average of adjacent data points. Advantageous in reducing relatively small peak-to-peak noise values on large broadband measured data. Smoothing aperture defines the trace width (number of points) to be averaged, and ranges from 0.25% to 20% of the trace width. This function also sets the aperture for group delay measurements.

Display Control

CRT formats:

Single channel, dual channel overlay (both traces on one graticule), dual channel split (each trace on separate graticules).

Trace functions:

Display data: Display current measurement data, memory data, or current measurement with measurement and memory data simultaneously.

Trace math: Vector division or subtraction of current linear measurement values and memory data.

Display annotations:

Start/stop, center/span, or CW frequency, source level, scale/div, reference level, marker data, soft key functions, warning and caution messages, trace identification, and pass/fail indication.

Reference position:

Ranges from the 0 (bottom) to 10 (top) graticule position.

Autoscale:

Automatically selects scale resolution and reference value to center the trace on the CRT graticules for easy viewing.

Electrical delay:

Offset measured phase or group delay by a defined amount of electrical delay, in seconds. Operates similarly to an electronic line stretcher. Amount of electrical delay can range between ± 1 seconds.

Frequency blanking:

Blank out all frequency information on the display. Requires an instrument preset to re-enable frequency information on the display.

Title:

Add custom titles (49 characters maximum) to the display of the HP 8752C or 8753D. Titles will be plotted when making hardcopies of displayed measurements. Titles can also be used to display operator messages or prompts for a manual adjustment during a test sequence.

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Adjust display:

Control the intensity and background intensity values of the display. Also, customize the color, value, and brightness of the data traces, memory traces, reference lines, graticules, text, and warning messages. Default colors can be recalled along with one set of user-defined display values. Control is in % of full range.

Storage

Instrument state:

Up to 31 instrument states can be stored internally or recalled via the SAVE/RECALL menu. Instrument states include all control settings, active limit lines, active list frequency tables, memory trace data, active calibration coefficients, and custom display titles. Storage is in non-volatile memory.

Test sequences:

Six measurement sequences can be stored or recalled via the sequencing menu. Sequences may also be recalled from Preset menu. Sequence register 6 is part of non-volatile storage and is not erased during a power cycle. If sequence 6 is titled AUTO, it will be executed when power is turned on.

Disk drive:

Data, instrument states (including calibration data), user graphics, data plots (HP-GL commands), and test sequences can also be stored on disk, using the HP 8753D's built-in disk drive or an external disk drive with command subset CS/80. Data files can be stored in MS-DOS format or Hewlett-Packard's standard LIF format, which can be read by a wide variety of computers, including the HP 9000 series 300 and 400. Files can be stored in binary or ASCII formats (compatible with the HP 85150A microwave design system). A disk to be used for data storage can be initialized directly by the HP 8753D.

Compatible disk drives:

HP 9122C Dual 3.5 inch disk drive
HP 9153C Winchester disk drive

Data Hardcopy

Data plotting:

Hard copy plots are automatically produced with HP-GL compatible digital plotters such as the HP 7475A and compatible graphics printers such as the HP DeskJet or LaserJet (in single color or multi-color format). The HP 8753D provides Centronics, RS-232C, and HP-IB interfaces. The HP 8752C has an HP-IB interface, and requires an HP-IB to Centronics converter to connect to Centronics peripherals.

Data listings:

Printouts of instrument data are directly produced with a printer such as the HP DeskJet 520 or 560C or PaintJet 3630A. Select a standard (single color) or color print (with color printers).

Configure plots:

Configure plots completely from the network analyzer by defining pen color and line type for data, text markers, graticules, and memory traces.

Functions:

Plot trace(s), graticule(s), markers(s), or text including operating and system parameters.

Quadrants:

Plot entire display in one of four different quadrants of the plotter paper.

System Capabilities

Limit lines:

Define test limit lines that appear on the display for go/no go testing. Lines may be any combination of horizontal, sloping lines, or discrete data points. Limit test TTL output available for external control or indication.

Operating parameters:

Display, print or plot current instrument operating parameters.

Transform:

When time domain (Option 010) is present, selects the Time Domain transform menu.

Harmonic measurements (HP 8753D):

When harmonic measurement (Option 002) is present, selects the 2nd or 3rd harmonic measurement menu.

Instrument mode:

Select external source, tuned receiver or frequency offset mode.

External source mode:

The receiver (input R) detects and phase-locks to any externally generated CW signal. Receiver inputs A and B will measure this same frequency for comparison or tracking measurements.

Auto: The input signal frequency is counted and displayed.

Manual: Measures the input signal closest to the frequency specified by the user (within -0.5 to +5 MHz).

Tuned receiver:

Tunes the receiver for a synthesized CW input signal at a precisely specified frequency. The time bases of the external RF source or sources must be tied to the external reference input (rear panel BNC). The built-in RF source is not used.

Frequency offset on/off:

Sets the RF source to be swept at a fixed offset frequency above the receiver as required in a swept RF/IF, fixed LO, mixer test. The maximum delay between the RF source and the R channel input is 0.3 microseconds. Frequency offset mode has a 6 GHz maximum source limitation.

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Offset value:

Set the offset frequency value.

Service menu:

Select the desired service test, service diagnostic, service or verification mode.

Test Sequences

Description:

Create, edit, save or recall a series of front-panel keystrokes to automate a measurement. Each of the six sequence registers can hold approximately 200 instructions. Create or edit a sequence by selecting the sequence menu and then simply performing the front-panel keystrokes that would normally be used to make a manual measurement. Test sequences may contain basic stimulus and measurement functions (frequency, power, parameter, format, scale) advanced operations (time domain, limit testing, display marker values) and basic logical branching (IF limit test fails DO sequence 5). Completed sequences are then saved and can be executed when you are ready to repeat the test.

Storage:

Test sequences can be stored internally to a disk drive and can be loaded from a computer over the HP-IB interface. Sequence 6 is saved in non-volatile storage and can be used as an autostart routine when titled AUTO.

Branching:

Branch to another sequence on limit test pass/fail, or the loop counter value. Subroutines are also possible via GOSUB.

Other HP-IB instruments:

Send simple commands to HP-IB instruments via the title string.

Test sequence BNC output (HP 8753D):

Set TTL high or low on the HP 8753D's test set rear panel output.

General purpose input/output:

Read or write bits to the output port to control external devices such as part handlers. Eight output and five input TTL lines are available on the parallel port of the HP 8753D. One input and four output TTL lines are available from the test set interconnect on the HP 8752C.

Other functions:

Pause/continue, wait, title sequence, print sequence, duplicate sequence, pause and select.

Time Domain (Option 010)

Description:

With the time domain option, data from transmission or reflection measurements in the frequency domain is converted to the time domain using a Fourier transformation technique (Chirp Z) and presented on the display. The time domain response shows the measured parameter value versus time. Markers may also be displayed in electrical length (or physical length if the relative propagation velocity is entered).

Footnotes are at the end of this document.

Time stimulus modes**Standard stimulus:**

Two types of time excitation stimulus waveforms can be simulated during the transformation -- a step and an impulse.

External stimulus:

The definition of other time excitation stimulus waveforms can be accomplished using an external controller.

Low pass step:

This stimulus, similar to a traditional time domain reflectometer (TDR) stimulus waveform, is used to measure low pass devices. The frequency domain data should extend from DC (extrapolated value) to a higher value, the upper limit being defined by the test set used. The time domain response shows the parameter value versus time (multiply by the speed of light, c , to obtain electrical length or by c and V_{rel} to obtain physical length). The step response is typically used for reflection measurements only.

Low pass impulse:

This stimulus is also used to measure low pass devices. The frequency domain data should extend from DC (extrapolated value) to a higher value, the maximum frequency determined by the test set. The time domain response shows changes in the parameter value versus time. The impulse response can be used for reflection or transmission measurements.

Bandpass impulse:

The bandpass impulse stimulates a pulsed RF signal (with an impulse envelope) and is used to measure the time domain response of band-limited devices. The start and stop frequencies are selectable by the user to any values within the limits of the test set used. The bandpass time domain response also shows changes in the parameter values versus time. Bandpass time domain responses are useful for both reflection and transmission measurements.

Time domain range:

The range over which the display is free of response repetition depends on the frequency span and the number of points. Range, in nanoseconds, is determined by:

$$Range = 1/\Delta F = \frac{(\text{Number of points in Frequency Domain} - 1)}{\text{Frequency Span (GHz)}}$$

Range resolution:

Range-resolution is how closely in time that a response can be located.

$$Range\text{-}resolution = \text{time span}/(\text{number of points} - 1)$$

Windows:

The windowing function can be used to modify (filter) the frequency domain data and thereby reduce overshoot and ringing in the time domain response. Three types of windows are available -- minimum, normal, and maximum.

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Gating:

The gating function can be used to selectively remove reflection or transmission time domain responses. In converting back to the frequency domain the effects of the responses outside the gate are removed. The location and span of the gate can be controlled by setting either the center position and time span of the gate or by setting the start and stop time of the gate.

HP 8752C Options

3 GHz operation (Option 003)

6 GHz operation (Option 006)

Description:

These options extend the specified performance of the HP 8752C over the 300 kHz to 3 GHz (Option 003) or 6 GHz (Option 006) range.

Step attenuator (Option 004)

Description:

This option adds a built-in 70 dB step attenuator, extending the source output power range to -85 to +10 dBm.

HP 8753D Options

Harmonic measurements (Option 002)

Description:

Measures amplifier 2nd and 3rd harmonics on a swept-frequency basis for fundamental signals above 16 MHz. Harmonics are measured up to the maximum frequency range of the receiver. The second harmonic of 1.5 GHz fundamental and 3rd harmonic of a 1 GHz fundamental can be measured and displayed. If option 006 is installed, the 2nd harmonic of a 3 GHz fundamental and 3rd harmonic of a 2 GHz fundamental can be measured.

Dynamic range (source at -10 dBm, receiver <-30 dBm):
-40 dBc (minimum)

Accuracy:¹⁴ ± 1 dB (< 6 GHz)

6 GHz operation (Option 006)

Description:

With the 6 GHz option, performance is specified over the 30 kHz to 6 GHz range. When external source, tuned receiver or harmonic mode is used, the receiver is capable of measuring signals up to 6 GHz.

High Stability Frequency Reference (Option 1D5)

Description:

This option adds an ovenized 10 MHz frequency reference output to the HP 8753D. It is connected to the external reference input on the rear panel. See the "General Characteristics" section for specifications.

Measurement Throughput Summary

The following table shows typical measurement times in milliseconds.

Typical time for completion (msec)

Measurement	Number of Points			
	51	201	401	1,601
Uncorrected, 1-port cal ¹⁵	125	200	300	900
Two-port cal ¹⁶	245	510	855	2,940
Time domain conversion ¹⁷	80	350	740	1,790
HP-IB data transfer ¹⁸				
Internal binary	20	35	55	205
ASCII	140	510	1,000	3,960
IEEE 754 floating point format:				
32-bit	25	85	150	590
64-bit	40	115	220	840

Remote Programming

Interface:

HP-IB interface operates to IEEE 488-1978 and IEC 625 standards and IEEE 728-1982 recommended practices.

Addressing:

The HP-IB address of the HP 8753D can be verified or set from the front panel via the local menu and can range from 0 to 30 decimal (factory set at 16).

Pass control:

Allows the HP 8753D to request control of the HP-IB (when an active controller is present) whenever it needs to output to a plotter or printer.

System controller:

Lets an HP 8753D become a controller on the HP-IB to directly control a plotter or a printer.

Talker/listener:

Lets the HP 8753D become an HP-IB talker/listener when an external controller is present.

Transfer formats:

Binary (internal 48-bit floating point complex format)
ASCII
32- or 64- bit IEEE 754 floating point format

User-accessible graphics:

Using a subset of HP graphics language (HP-GL), vector or text graphics may be written on the HP 8753D via HP-IB. Up to 5 kbytes of data can be stored at one time (4 bytes per vector, 2 bytes per character).

HP 8752C and HP 8753D

Supplemental Characteristics

Interface function codes:

SH1, AH1, T6, TE0, L4, LE0, SR1, RL1, PP0, DC1, DT0, C1, C2, C3, C10, E2

General Characteristics

Front Panel Connectors

HP 8753D test ports (without Option 011):

Connector type	7 mm precision
Impedance	50 ohms (nominal)
Connector conductor depth	0.000 to 0.003 in.

HP 8752C and HP 8753D Option 011 test ports:

Connector type	Type-N
Impedance	50 ohms (nominal)
Connector center pin protrusion	0.204 to 0.207 in.

Option 075 test ports (HP 8752C or HP 8753D):

Connector type	Type-N
Impedance	75 ohms (nominal)
Connector center pin protrusion	0.204 to 0.207 in.

Probe power	+15V $\pm$ 2% 400 mA (combined load for both probe connections) -12.6V $\pm$ 5.5% 300 mA (combined load for both probe connections)
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Rear Panel Connectors

External reference frequency input (EXT REF INPUT)

Frequency	1, 2, 5, and 10 MHz ($\pm$ 200 Hz at 10 MHz)
Level	-10 dBm to +20 dBm, typical
Impedance	50 ohms

High-stability frequency reference output (HP 8753D Option 1D5)

Frequency	10.0000 MHz
Frequency Stability (0°C to 55°C)	$\pm$ 0.05 ppm
Daily Aging Rate (after 30 days)	$<3 \times 10^{-9}$ /day
Yearly Aging Rate	0.5 ppm/year
Output	0 dBm minimum
Nominal Output Impedance	50 Ω

External auxiliary input (AUX INPUT)

Input Voltage Limits	-10V to +10V
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External AM input (EXT AM)	$\pm$ 1 volt into a 5 k Ω resistor, 1 kHz maximum, resulting in 8 dB/volt amplitude modulation.
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External trigger (EXT TRIGGER)	Triggers on a negative TTL transition or contact closure to ground.
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Test sequence output (TEST SEQ; HP 8753D only)

By default, this connector outputs a TTL end-of-sweep signal. It can also be programmed by the user in a test sequence to output a user-defined TTL signal.

Limit test output (LIMIT TEST; HP 8753D only)

This connector outputs a TTL signal of the limit test results. Pass: TTL high. Fail: TTL low.

Test port bias input (BIAS CONNECT; HP 8753D only)

Maximum voltage	+30 VDC
Maximum Current (no degradation in RF specs)	$\pm$ 200 mA
Maximum current	$\pm$ 1 A

Video output (EXT MON)

The R, G, and B connectors drive external monitors with these characteristics:

R, G, B with synch on green.
75 ohm impedance.
1Vp-p (0.7V = white; 0V = black; -0.3V = synch).

HP-IB

This connector allows communications with compatible devices including external controllers, printers, plotters, disk drives, and power meters.

Parallel port (HP 8753D only)

This 25-pin female connector is used with parallel (or Centronics interface) peripherals such as printers and plotters. It can also be used as a general purpose I/O port, with control provided by test sequencing functions.

RS-232C (HP 8753D only)

This 9-pin male connector is used with serial peripherals such as printers and plotters.

DIN keyboard (HP 8753D only)

This connector is used for adding an IBM PC-AT compatible keyboard for titles and remote front-panel operation.

Test set interconnect

This connector is used to connect an HP 8753D Option 011 to the HP 85046A/B or 85047A test set. On other HP 8753D or HP 8752C analyzers, you can use signal levels on this connector for sequencing or general purpose I/O applications with an adapter, such as HP part number 08752-60020 (for use with the HP 8752C).

Internal Memory

Typical data retention time with 3V, 1.2 Ah battery:

At 25°C	11904 days (32.6 years)
At 40°C	1244 days (3.4 years)
At 70°C	250 days (0.68 year)

Line power

48 Hz to 66 Hz
115V nominal (90V to 132V) or 230V nominal (198V to 264V).
280 VA max.

HP 8752C and HP 8753D Supplemental Characteristics

Environmental Characteristics

General conditions

RFI and EMI susceptibility: defined by VDE 0730, CISPR Publication 11, and FCC Class B Standards.

ESD (electrostatic discharge): must be eliminated by use of static-safe work procedures and an anti-static bench mat (such as an HP 92175T).

The flexible rubber keypad protects key contacts from dust, but the environment should be as dust-free as possible for optimal reliability.

Operating conditions

Temperature (unless otherwise noted)	0° to 55°C
Humidity	5% to 95% at 40°C (non-condensing)
Altitude	0 to 4500 meters (15,000 feet)

Non-Operating Storage Conditions

Temperature	-40°C to +70°C
Humidity	0 to 90% relative at +65°C (non-condensing)
Altitude	0 to 15,240 meters (50,000 feet)

Weight: HP 8753D

Net	34 kg (75 lb)
Shipping	37 kg (82 lb)

Weight: HP 8752C

Net	25.4 kg (56 lb)
Shipping	28.4 kg (63 lb)

Cabinet dimensions

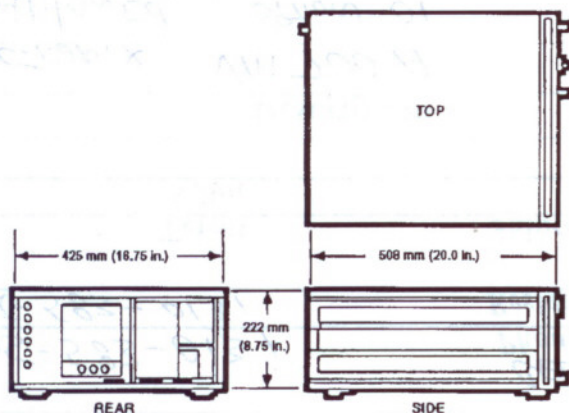
(These dimensions exclude front and rear panel protrusions.)

HP 8753D:

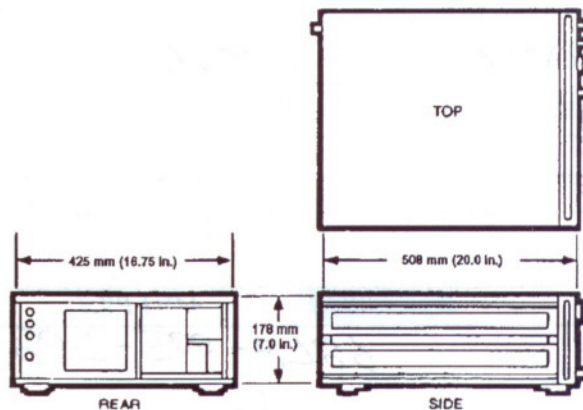
222 mm H x 425 mm W x 508 mm D
(8.75 in x 16.75 in x 20.0 in)

HP 8752C:

178 mm H x 425 mm W x 508 mm D
(7.0 in x 16.75 in x 20.0 in)



HP 8753D physical dimensions



HP 8752C physical dimensions

Footnotes

1. 90 dB, 30 kHz to 50 kHz
2. 100 dB, 300 kHz to 16 MHz due to fixed spurs.
3. These measurement uncertainty curves utilize an RSS model for the contribution of random errors such as noise, typical connector repeatabilities, and test set switch; with a worst-case model for the contributions of dynamic accuracy and residual systematic errors.
4. The graphs shown for transmission measurements assume a well-matched device ($S_{11} = S_{22} = 0$).
5. The graphs shown for reflection measurements apply to either a one-port device or a two-port device with more than 6 dB insertion loss.
6. Typical performance
7. At $25^{\circ}\text{C} \pm 5^{\circ}\text{C}$, relative to 0 dBm output power for the HP 8753D, +10 dBm output power for the HP 8753D Option 011, or -5 dBm output power for the HP 8752C.
8. Typical below 300 kHz
9. 16 MHz to 3 GHz
10. 16 MHz to 2 GHz
11. The HP 8753D RF source characteristics and measurement accuracy in this mode are dependent on the stability of the external LO source. The RF source tracks the LO to maintain a stable IF signal at the R channel receiver input. Degradation in accuracy is negligible when using an HP 8642A/B or HP 8656B RF signal generator as the LO source.
12. See the HP 8753D descriptions and options for a functional description. Measurement accuracy is dependent on the stability of the input signal.
13. Marker resolution for magnitude, phase and delay is dependent upon measured value. Resolution is limited to five digits.
14. Does not include error from the HP 8753D source and receiver harmonics.
15. One-port calibration, with a 3 kHz IF bandwidth. Includes system retrace time, but does not include bandswitch time. Time domain gating is assumed off.
16. Same as footnote 15, but for an S21 measurement with full two-port calibration. Includes RF switching time.
17. Option 010 only, gating off.
18. Measured with an HP 9000 Series 300 computer.
19. Fmax is the upper frequency limit of the associated test set.
20. Degrees, specified as deviation from linear phase.
21. Typical repeatability is ± 0.01 dB.
22. These can be greatly improved with accuracy enhancement.
23. Some degradation at environmental extremes below 600 kHz.
24. Degrees, specified as deviation from linear phase.
25. Typical from 2 to 3 GHz for instruments with Option 075.
26. For HP 8753D Option 011 and Option 006, linearity is specified for the ranges of (-5 to +13 dBm) and (+13 to +18 dBm).