

Agilent E8241A/44A/51A/54A PSG Family Performance Signal Generator

Data Sheet



	CW only PSG-L Series	Analog PSG-A Series
250 kHz to 20 GHz	E8241A	E8251A
250 kHz to 40 GHz	E8244A	E8254A

All specifications and characteristics apply over a 0 to 55°C range (unless otherwise stated) and apply after a 45 minute warm-up time. Supplemental characteristics, denoted as typical or nominal, provide additional (non-warranted) information.

# Definitions

Specifications (spec): represent warranted performance.

Typical (typ): performance is not warranted. It applies at 25°C. 80% of all products meet typical performance.

Nominal (nom): values are not warranted. They represent the value of a parameter that is most likely to occur; the expected or mean value. They are included to facilitate the application of the product.

Standard (std): No options are included when referring to the signal generator unless noted otherwise.



# **Specifications**

## L and A Series



Modulation off< 15 ms	Frequency			
250 kHz to 20 GHz E8241A E8251A 250 kHz to 40 GHz E8244A E8254A Resolution 0.01 Hz Accuracy Calibration = aging rate ± temperature effects ± line voltage effects Switching speed (typical) <sup>2</sup> Analog modulation off <15 ms Modulation off <15 ms Phase offset Adjustable in nominal 0.1° increments. Frequency bands Band Frequency range N # 1 250 kHz to 250 MHz 1/8 2 30 kHz to 1 GHz 1/8 2 1 to 2 GHz 1/4 5 6 > 1 to 2 GHz 1 7 10 to 20 GHz 2	Range <sup>1</sup>			
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7 > 10 to 20 GHz 2	5		> 2 to 3.2 GHz	1/2
	6		> 3.2 to 10 GHz	1
8 > 20 to 40 GHz 4	7		> 10 to 20 GHz	2
	8		> 20 to 40 GHz	4

	Standard	Option UNJ
Aging rate	$< \pm 1 \times 10^{-7}$ /year or	< ±3 x10 <sup>-8</sup> /year or
	< ±4.5 x 10 <sup>_9</sup> /day	< ±2.5 x 10 <sup>-10</sup> /day
	after 45 days	after 24 hours
Temperature effects (typical)	$< \pm 5 \times 10^{-8}$ 0 to 55°C	$< \pm 4.5 \text{ x } 10^{-9} \text{ 0 to } 55^{\circ}\text{C}$
Line voltage effects (typical)	< ±2 x 10 <sup>-9</sup> for	$< \pm 2 \times 10^{-10}$ for
	+5% –10% change	±10% change
External reference frequency	1, 2, 2.5, 5, 10 MHz	10 MHz only
	(within 1 ppm)	(within 1 ppm)
Reference output		
Frequency	10 MHz	
Amplitude	> +4 dBm typical into 50	$\Omega$ load
External reference input		
Amplitude	> –3 dBm	
Opt UNJ	$5 \text{ dBm } \pm 5 \text{ dB}^3$	
Input impedance	50Ω⇔ nominal	

<sup>1</sup> Useable to 100 kHz

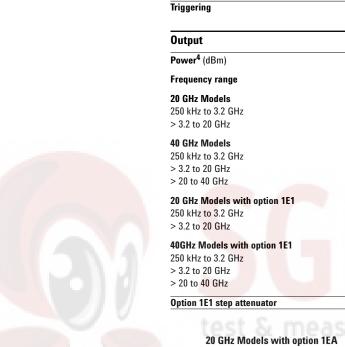
<sup>2</sup> To within 0.1 ppm of final frequency above 250 MHz or within 100 Hz below 250 MHz

**Operating modes** 

 $^3$  To optimize phase noise 5 dBm  $\pm$  2 dB

Step sweep of frequency or amplitude or both (Start to stop)

List sweep of frequency or amplitude or both (Arbitrary list)



Sweep range Frequency sweep

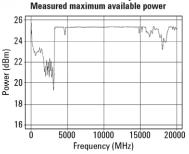
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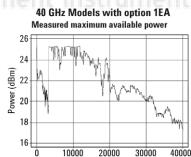
Amplitude sweep

Number of points

**Frequency settling time** 

Amplitude settling time





0 dB and 5 to 115 dB in 10 dB steps

Within instrument frequency range

Within attenuator hold range

Auto, external, single, or GPIB

**Option 1EA** 

-20 to +16

-20 to +20

-20 to +15

-20 to +18

-20 to +14

-135 to +15

-135 to +18

-135 to +14

-135 to +16

-135 to +12

1 ms to 60 s

28 ms typical

10 ms typical 2 to 1601

Standard

-20 to +13

-20 to +13

-20 to +9

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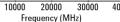
-135 to +11

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## Attenuator hold range

(Same as max power sweep range)

Minimum		From –20 dBm to maximum specified output power. Can be offset using Option 1E1 attenuator.		
Amplitude switching	speed <sup>5</sup>			
CW or analog modula	ation	< 25 ms, typical		
When using power search		< 25 ms, typical		
CW level accuracy <sup>6</sup> (	dB)			
Frequency	> +10 dBm	+10 to –10 dBm	–10 to –20 dBm	
250 kHz to 2 GHz 2 GHz to 20 GHz > 20 to 40 GHz	±0.6 ±0.8 ±1.0	±0.6 ±0.8 ±0.9	±1.4 ±1.2 ±1.3	

- <sup>4</sup> Maximum power specification is warranted from 15 to 35°C, and is typical from 0 to 15°C. Maximum power over the 35 to 55°C range typically degrades less than 2 dB.
- $^5\,$  To within 0.1 dB of final amplitude within one attenuator range
- <sup>6</sup> Specifications apply over the 15 to 35°C temperature range. Degradation outside this range, for power levels > -10 dBm, is typically < 0.3 dB.

For instruments with type-N connectors (Option 1ED), specifications are degraded typically 0.2 dB above . 18 GHz.

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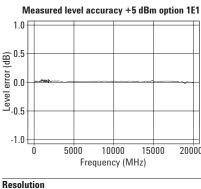


### CW level accuracy with option 1E1<sup>7</sup> (dB)

Frequency	> +10 dBm	+10 to –10 dBm	–10 to –70 dBm	–70 to –90 dBm	–90 to –110 dBm
250 kHz to 2 GHz > 2 to 20 GHz > 20 to 40 GHz	±0.6 ±0.8 ±1.0	±0.6 ±0.8 ±0.9	±0.7 ±0.9 ±1.0	±0.8 ±1.0 ±2.0	±1.4 ±1.7

40 GHz level accuracy

## 20 GHz level accuracy



### Measured level accuracy +5 dBm ontion 1F1

Measured level accuracy +5 dBm option 1E1	Measured level accuracy +5 dBm option 1E1
1.0	1.0
0.5 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0	Image: Constraint of the second sec
Resolution	0.01 dB
Temperature stability	0.01 dB/°C, typical
User flatness correction	2 to 1601 points/table
Number of tables	Up to 10,000, memory limited
Path loss	Arbitrary, within attenuator range
Entry modes	Remote power meter <sup>8</sup> , remote bus, manual (user edit/view)
Output impedance	50 $\Omega$ , nominal
SWR (internally leveled, typical)	ement instruments
250 kHz to 2 GHz	< 1.4:1
> 2 GHz to 20 GHz	< 1.6:1
> 20 GHz to 40 GHz	< 1.8:1
Leveling modes	Internal leveling, external detector leveling, millimeter source module, ALC Off
External detector leveling	
Range	–0.2 mV to –0.5 V, nominal (–36 dBm to +4 dBm using Agilent 33330D/E detector)
Bandwidth	Typically 10 kHz (Note: not intended for pulsed operation)
	1/2 Watt nominal

### **Spectral purity**

#### Harmonics<sup>9</sup> (dBc at +10 dBm or maximum . ...hiah sr

specified output power,	whichever is lower)
< 1 MHz	

- 1 MHz to 2 GHz > 2 GHz to 20 GHz
- > 20 GHz to 40 GHz

- -30 dBc typical -30 dBc
  - –55 dBc
  - -50 dBc typical

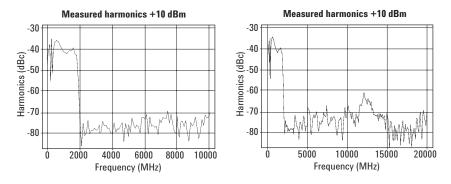
 $^7~$  Specifications apply over the 15 to 35°C temperature range, with attenuator lock off (normal operating mode). Degradation outside this range, for ALC power levels > -10 dBm, is typically < 0.3 dB.

For instruments with type-N connectors (Option 1ED), specifications are degraded typically 0.2 dB above 18 GHz. Level accuracy is not specified below -110 dBm.

- <sup>8</sup> Compatible with Agilent Technologies EPM Series (E4418B and E4419B) power meters.
- <sup>9</sup> Specifications for harmonics beyond maximum instrument frequencies are typical.

## 20 GHz Measured harmonics

## 40 GHz Measured harmonics



# Sub-harmonics: <sup>10</sup> (dBc at +10 dBm or maximum specified output power, whichever is lower)

250 kHz to 10 GHz	None	
> 10 GHz to 20 GHz	< -60 dBc	
> 20 GHz to 40 GHz	<50 dBc	
Non-harmonics: (dBc at +10 dBm or maximum specified output power, whichever is lowe <mark>r, for</mark> offsets > 3 KHz (>300 Hz with Option UN	JJ)) <sup>11</sup>	
Frequency	Spec	Typical
250 kHz to 2 <mark>50 MHz</mark>	< -65	-72 for > 10 kHz offsets
> 250 MHz to 1 GHz	< -80	<88
> 1 to 2 GHz	< -74	< -82
> 2 to 3.2 GHz	< -68	-76
> 3.2 to 10 GHz	< -62	strouments
> 10 to 20 GHz	<56	-64
> 20 to 40 GHz	< -50	-58
<b>SSB phase noise (CW)</b> Offset from Carrier (dBc/Hz)		
Frequency	20 kHz	20 kHz typical
250 kHz to 250 MHz	-130	-134
> 250 to 500 MHz	-136	-140
> 500 MHz to 1 GHz	-130	-134
> 1 to 2 GHz	-124	-128
> 2 to 3.2 GHz	-120	-124
> 3.2 to 10 GHz	-110	–113
> 10 to 20 GHz	-104	-108
> 20 to 40 GHz	-98	-102



<sup>10</sup> Specifications for harmonics beyond maximum instrument frequencies are typical.

<sup>11</sup> Performance is typical for spurs at frequencies above the maximum operating frequency of the instrument. Specifications apply for CW mode only. Performance typically is –60 dBc between 200 and 250 MHz.

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### **Option UNJ: Improved SSB phase noise** Offset from carrier (dBc/Hz)

Unset nom camer (ub	6/112/			
Frequency	100 Hz spec (typ)	<b>1 kHz</b> spec (typ)	<b>10 kHz</b> spec (typ)	<b>100 kHz</b> spec (typ)
250 kHz to 250 MHz	-94 (-115)	-110 (-123)	-128 (-132)	-130 (-133)
> 250 to 500 MHz	-100 (-110)	-124 (-130)	-132 (-136)	-136 (-141)
> 500 MHz to 1 GHz	-94 (-104)	-118 (-126)	-130 (-135)	-130 (-135)
> 1 to 2 GHz	-88 (-98)	-112 (-120)	-124 (-129)	-124 (-129)
> 2 to 3.2 GHz	-84 (-94)	-108 (-116)	-120 (-125)	-120 (-125)
> 3.2 to 10 GHz	-74 (-84)	-98 (-106)	-110 (-115)	-110 (-115)
> 10 to 20 GHz	-68 (-78)	-92 (-100)	-104 (-107)	-104 (-109)
> 20 to 40 GHz	-62 (-72)	-86 (-94)	-98 (-101)	–98 (–103)
Residual FM	< N x 6 Hz, typical			

Option UNJ < N x 4 Hz, typical

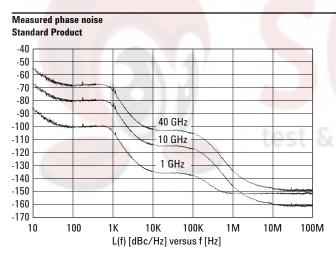
(rms, 50 Hz to 15 kHz bandwidth)

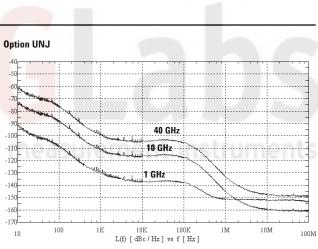
Broadband noise (CW mode at +10 dBm output,

for offsets > 10 MHz) > 0.25 to 20 GHz

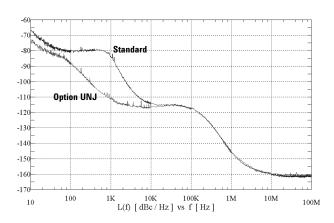
> 20 to 40 GHz

< -148 dBc/Hz typical < -141 dBc/Hz typical

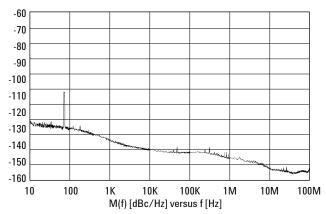




## Measured Standard vs. Option UNJ at 10 GHz



## Measured AM noise at 10 GHz





Frequency modulat	ion		
Maximum deviation		N x 8 MHz	
Resolution		0.1% of deviation of	or 1 Hz, whichever is greater
Deviation accuracy		< ± 3.5% of FM de (1 kHz rate, deviati	viation + 20 Hz ions < N x 800 kHz)
Modulation frequency	response		
Path	Rates (at 100 kHz deviat 1 dB Bandwidth	ion) 3 dB Bandwidth, t	ypical
FM 1	dc/20 Hz to 100 kHz	dc/5 Hz to 10 MHz	2
FM 2	dc/20 Hz to 100 kHz	dc/5 Hz to 1 MHz	
dc FM <sup>12</sup> carrier offset		±0.1% of set devia	tion + (N x 8 Hz)
Distortion		< 1% (1 kHz rate, c	leviations < N x 800 kHz)
Sensitivity		±1 Vpeak for indica	ated deviation
Paths		modulation. Either one of the modula internal1, internal2	summed internally for composite path may be switched to any tion sources: Ext1, Ext2, 2. The FM2 path is limited to a MHz. The FM2 path must be set than FM1.
Phase <mark>mo</mark> dulation			
Maximum deviation		N x 80 radians (N x 8 radians in h	igh-bandwidth mode)
Resolution		0.1% of set deviati	on
Deviation accuracy		< ±5% of deviatior (1 kHz rate, norma	
Modulation frequency Mode	response A Measuro	Maximum Deviatio	on Rates (3 dB BW)
Normal BW		N x 80 rad	dc – 100 kHz
High BW		N x 8 rad	dc – 1 MHz (typ)
Distortion		< 1 % (1 kHz rate, normal BW mode)	THD, dev < N x 80 rad,
Sensitivity		±1 Vpeak for indica	ated deviation
Path			e summed internally for tion. Either path may be switche

<sup>12</sup> At the calibrated deviation and carrier frequency, within 5°C of ambient temperature at time of user calibration.



# Amplitude modulation (f<sub>c</sub> > 2 MHz)<sup>13</sup> (typical)

Donth	Linear mode	Exponential (log) mode
Depth	Linear mode	(Downward modulation only)
Maximum	> 90%	> 20 dB
Settable <sup>14</sup>	0 - 100 %	0 to 40 dB
Resolution	0.1%	0.01 dB
<b>Accuracy</b> (1 kHz rate)	< ±(6 % of setting + 1 %)	$< \pm (2\% \text{ of setting } + 0.2 \text{ dB})$
Ext sensitivity	±1 Vpeak for indicated depth	–1 V for indicated depth
Rates (3 dB bandwid	dth, 30% depth)	dc/10 Hz to 100 kHz typical (useable to 1 MHz)
Distortion (1 kHz rat	te, linear mode, THD)	
30% AM		< 1.5%
90% AM		< 4 %
Path		AM1 and AM2 are summed internally for composite modulation. Either path may be switched to any one of the modulation sources: Ext1, Ext2,

internal1, internal2.

External modulation inputs (Ext1 & Ext2)	
Modula <mark>tion</mark> types	AM, FM, and ΦM
Input im <mark>pedance</mark>	50 or 600 $\Omega$ , nominal, switched
High/low indicat <mark>or</mark>	
(100 Hz to 10 MHz BW, ac coupled inputs only)	Activated when input level error exceeds 3%, nominal
Simultaneous modulation	All modulation types may be simultaneously enabled except: FM with ΦM, and linear AM with exponential AM. AM, FM, and ΦM can sum simultaneous inputs from any two sources (Ext1, Ext2, internal1, or internal2) Any given source (Ext1, Ext2, internal1, or internal2) may be routed to only one activated modulation type.
Internal modulation source	Dual function generators provides two independent signals (internal1 and internal2) for use with AM, FM, $\Phi$ M, or LF Out.
Waveforms	Sine, square, positive ramp, negative ramp, triangle Gaussian noise, uniform noise, swept sine, dual sine <sup>15</sup>
Rate range	
Sine	0.5 Hz to 1 MHz
Square, ramp, triangle	0.5 Hz to 100 kHz
Resolution	0.5 Hz
	Same as timebase

- $^{13}$  For f c < 2 MHz AM is usable but not specified. AM specifications apply with ALC on, and envelope peaks < maximum specified power. For instruments without Option 1E1 attenuator, specs apply for carrier amplitude > -2 dBm.
- $^{14}$  For AM depth settings > 90% or > 20 dB, deep AM mode or 1 kHz ALC BW is recommended.
- <sup>15</sup> Internal2 is not available when using swept sine or dual sine modes.



### LF out Output Internal1 or internal2. Also provides monitoring of internal1 or internal2 when used for AM, FM, or $\Phi M.$ Amplitude 0 to 3 Vpeak, nominal into 50 $\Omega$ 50 $\Omega$ , nominal Output impedance Swept sine mode: (frequency, phase continuous) **Operating modes** Triggered or continuous sweeps 1 Hz to 1 MHz Frequency range 0.5 Hz to 100 k sweeps/s, equivalent to Sweep rate sweep times 10 us to 2 s Resolution 0.5 Hz (0.5 sweep/s)

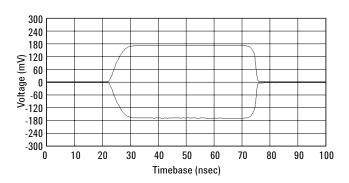
## Pulse modulation

	$\geq$ 500 MHz to $\leq$ 3.2 GHz $^{16}$	> 3.2 GHz
Power range		
Internally leveled	0 to +10 dBm	0 to +10 dBm
With option 1E1	–110 to +10 dBm	–110 to +10 dBm
On/off ratio	80 dB typical	80 dB
Rise/fall times (T <sub>r</sub> , T <sub>f</sub> )	100 ns typical	10 ns (6 ns typical)
Pulse width		
Internally leveled	≥ 2 µs typical	≥ 1µs
ALC Off	≥ 0.5 µs typical	$\ge$ 20 ns typical
Repetition freq		
Internally leveled	10 Hz to 250 kHz typical	10 Hz to 500 kHz typical
ALC Off	dc to 1 MHz typical	dc to 10 MHz typical
Level accuracy (relative to CW)		
Internally leveled	±0.5 dB	±0.4 dB (±0.15 typical)
ALC Off with power search <sup>17</sup>	±0.5 dB typical	$\leq$ 20 GHz ±0.8 dB typical
		$\leq$ 40 GHz ±1.2 dB typical
Width compression	±50 ns typical	±5 ns typical
Video feedthrough <sup>18</sup>	< 200 mV typical	< 2 mV typical
Pulse delay		
(ext input to RF output)	300 ns nominal	70 ns nominal
Pulse overshoot (V <sub>or</sub> )	< 10% typical	
Input level	+1 Vpeak = RF On	

- Input level
   +1 vpeak = KF On

   Input impedance
   50 Ω, nominal
- <sup>16</sup> For improved performance ≤ 3.2 GHz, special Option HE6 is available. Contact your local Agilent Online representative.
- <sup>17</sup> Power search is a calibration routine that improves level accuracy in ALC-off mode. Unpulsed RF power will be present typically up to 5 ms when executing power search.
- <sup>18</sup> With attenuator in 0 dB position. Video feed-through decreases with attenuator setting.

## Measured pulse modulation envelope



Internal pulse generator	
Modes	Free-run, triggered, triggered with delay, doublet, and gated. Triggered with delay, doublet, and gated require external trigger source.
Period (PRI) (T <sub>p</sub> )	70 ns to 42 s (Repetition frequency: 0.024 Hz to 14.28 MHz)
Pulse width (T <sub>w</sub> )	10 ns to 42 s
Delay (T <sub>d</sub> ) Free-run mode Triggered with delay and doublet modes	0 to ±42 s 75 ns to 42s with ±10 ns jitter
Resolution	10 ns (width, delay, and PRI)
RF delay (T <sub>m</sub> ) T <sub>d</sub> Video delay (variable) Sync T <sub>w</sub> Video pulse width (variable) T <sub>p</sub> Pulse period (variable) T <sub>m</sub> RF delay T <sub>ff</sub> RF pulse width Video T <sub>f</sub> RF pulse fall time Output	$\downarrow$
I <sub>f</sub> HF pulse fail time Outpu T <sub>r</sub> RF pulse rise time V <sub>or</sub> Pulse overshoot V <sub>f</sub> Video feedthrough RF Pu Outpu	$ \begin{array}{c} & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ $



Remote programming	
Interfaces	GPIB (IEEE-488.2,1987) with listen and talk, RS-232, and 10-base T-LAN interface.
Control languages	SCPI version 1992.0. Also will emulate most applicable Agilent 836xxB, Agilent 8373xB, and Agilent 8340/41B commands, providing general compatibility with ATE systems which include these signal generators.
IEEE-488 functions	SH1, AH1, T6, TE0, L4, LE0, SR1, RL1, PP0, DC1, DT0, C0, E2.
VXI <i>plug&amp;play</i> drivers	Are available.





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90 to 132 Vac 50 to 60 Hz, or 195 to 267 Vac 50 to 60 or 400 Hz, (automatically selected), 300 W maximum.	
0 to 55°C	
-40 to 71°C	
Meets MIL-STD-28800E Type III, Class 3.	
Conducted and radiated interference and immunity meets IEC/EN 61326-1 and MIL-STD-461C Part 2, RE02. Meets radiated emission requirements of CISPR Pub 11/1997 Group 1 class A.	
Memory is shared by instrument states, user data files, sweep list files, and waveform sequences. Depending on the number and size of these files, up to 800 storage registers and 10 register sequences are available.	
Display blanking.	
Agilent 83550 Series millimeter heads	
Internal diagnostic routine tests most modules (including microcircuits) in a preset condition. For each module, if its node voltages are within acceptable limits, then module "passes" the test.	
< 22 kg (48 lb.) net, < 30 kg (68 lb.) shipping.	
178 mm H x 426 mm W x 498 mm D (7″ H x 16.8″ W x 19.6″ D in.).	

Front panel connectors (All connectors are BNC female unless otherwise noted.)

RF output	Nominal output impedance 50 $\Omega$ .
For 20 GHz models	Precision APC-3.5 male, or Type-N with Option 1ED
For 40 GHz models	Precision 2.4 mm male; plus 2.4-2.4 mm and 2.4-2.9 mm female adaptors also included.
ALC input	Used for negative external detector leveling. Nominal input impedance 120 $k\Omega,$ damage level ±15 V.
LF output (PSG–A Series only)	Outputs the internally generated LF source. Nominal output impedance 50 $\Omega_{\rm \cdot}$
External input 1 (PSG–A Series only)	Drives either AM, FM, or $\Phi M.$ Nominal input impedance 50 or 600 $\Omega,$ damage levels are 5 Vrms and 10 Vpeak.
External input 2 (PSG–A Series only)	Drives either AM, FM, or $\Phi M.$ Nominal input impedance 50 or 600 $\Omega,$ damage levels are 5 Vrms and 10 Vpeak.
Pulse/trigger gate input (PSG–A Series only)	Accepts input signal for external fast pulse modulation. Also accepts external trigger pulse input for internal pulse modulation. Nominal impedance 50 Ω. Damage levels are 5 Vrms and 10 Vpeak.
Pulse video out (A series only)	Outputs a signal that follows the RF output in all pulse modes. TTL-level compatible, nominal source impedance 50 $\Omega_{\rm \cdot}$

Pulse sync out (A series only)	Outputs a synchronizing pulse, nominally 50 ns width, during internal and triggered pulse modulation. TTL-level compatible, nominal source impedance 50 Ω.	
Rear panel connectors (All connectors are BNC female unless otherwise noted.)		
Serial interface	Used for serial communication (9-pin RS-232 connector female).	
GPIB	Allows communication with compatible devices.	
LAN	Allows LAN communication	
10 MHz input	Accepts an external reference (timebase) input (at 1, 2, 2.5, 5, 10 MHz for standard and 10 MHz only for option UNJ) Nominal input impedance 50 $\Omega$ . Damage levels > +10 dBm	
10 MHz output	Outputs internal or external reference signal. Nominal output impedance 50 Ω. Nominal output power +4 dBm	
Sweep output	Generates output voltage, 0 to +10 V when signal generator is sweeping. Output impedance < 1 $\Omega$ , can drive 2000 $\Omega$ .	
Trigger output	Outputs a TTL signal: high at start of dwell, or when waiting for point trigger in manual sweep mode; low when dwell is over or point trigger is received, high or low 4 us pulse at start of LF sweep.	
Trigger input	Accepts TTL signal for triggering point-to-point in manual sweep mode, or to trigger start of LF sweep. Damage levels $\geq +10$ V or $\leq -4$ V.	
Source module interface	Provides bias, flatness correction, and leveling connections to the model 83550 Series mm-wave source modules.	
Source settled output	Provides an output trigger that indicates when the signal generator has settled to a new frequency or power level (open-collector output).	
EFC	> 0.25 ppm for -5 to +5 V	

**Recommended calibration cycle** 

24 months

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