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Site Master S113C, S114C, S331C, and S332C Antenna, Cable and Spectrum Analyzer

User's Guide



Hand-Held Tester for Transmission Lines and other RF Components

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Emissions:

CISPR 11:1990/EN55011: 1991 Group 1 Class A

EN 61000-3-2:1995 Class A EN 61000-3-3:1995 Class A

Immunity:

EN 61000-4-2:1995/EN50082-1: 1997 - 4kV CD, 8kV AD

EN 61000-4-3:1997/EN50082-1: 1997 - 3V/m

ENV 50204/EN50082-1: 1997 - 3V/m

EN 61000-4-4:1995/EN50082-1: 1997 - 0.5kV SL, 1kV PL EN 61000-4-5:1995/EN50082-1: 1997 - 1kV L-L, 2kV L-E

EN 61000-4-6:1994/EN61326: 1998 – 3V EN 61000-4-8:1994/EN61326: 1998 – 3A/m

EN 61000-4-11:1994/EN61326: 1998 - 1 cycle@100%

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Product Safety:

The Product Complies when used with Company supplied Power

Supply (tested to EN 60950)

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Chapter 1 General Information

Introduction

This chapter provides a description, performance specifications, optional accessories, preventive maintenance, and calibration requirements for the Site Master models S113C, S114C, S331C, and S332C. Throughout this manual, the term Site Master will refer to the models S113C, S114C, S331C, and S332C.

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Model	Frequency Range
S113C	2 to 1600 MHz
S114C	2 to 1600 MHz, 100 kHz to 1600 MHz Spectrum Analysis
S331C	25 to 4000 MHz
S332C	25 to 4000 MHz, 100 kHz to 3000 MHz Spectrum Analysis

Description

The Site Master is a hand held SWR/RL (standing wave ratio/return loss), and Distance-To-Fault (DTF) measurement instrument that includes a built-in synthesized signal source. All models include a keypad to enter data and a liquid crystal display (LCD) to provide graphic indications of SWR or RL over the selected frequency range and selected distance. The Site Master is capable of up to 2.5 hours of continuous operation from a fully charged field-replaceable battery and can be operated from a 12.5 dc source. Built-in energy conservation features can be used to extend battery life over an eight-hour work day.

The Site Master is designed for measuring SWR, return loss, or cable insertion loss and locating faulty RF components in antenna systems. Power monitoring is available as an option. Site Master models S114C and S332C include spectrum analysis capability. The displayed trace can be scaled or enhanced with frequency markers or limit lines. A menu option provides for an audible "beep" when the limit value is exceeded. To permit use in low-light environments, the LCD can be back lit using a front panel key.

Standard Accessories

The Software Tools PC-based software program provides a database record for storing measurement data. Site Master Software Tools can also convert the Site Master display to a Microsoft Windows™ 95/98/NT4/2000/ME/XP workstation graphic. Measurements stored in the Site Master internal memory can be downloaded to the PC using the included null-modem serial cable. Once stored, the graphic trace can be displayed, scaled, or enhanced with markers and limit lines. Historical graphs can be overlaid with current data, and underlying data can be extracted and used in spreadsheets or for other analytical tasks.

The Site Master Software Tools program can display all of the measurements made with the Site Master (SWR, return loss, cable loss, distance-to-fault) as well as providing other functions, such as converting display modes and Smith charts. Refer to Chapter 7, Software Tools, for more information.

The following items are supplied with the basic hardware.

- Soft Carrying Case
- AC-DC Adapter
- Automotive Cigarette Lighter 12 Volt DC Adapter,
- CDROM disk containing the Software Tools program. This program contains Fault Location (DTF) and Smith Chart functions
- Serial Interface Cable (null modem type)
- One year Warranty (includes battery, firmware, and software)
- User's Guide

Options

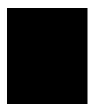
- Option 5 Add Power Monitor
- RF Detector, 1 to 3000 MHz, N(m) input connector, 50 Ohms, Part No. 5400-71N50
- RF Detector, 0.01 to 20 GHz, N(m) input connector, 50 Ohms, Part No. 560-7N50B

Printers

•	2000-766	HP DeskJet Printer, with Interface Cable, Black Print Cartridge, and U.S. Power Cable
•	2000-1206	Black Print Cartrige for HP350 DeskJet
•	2000-1207	Rechargeable Battery Pack for HP 350 DeskJet
•	2000-753	Serial-to-Parallel Converter Cable
•	2000-663	Power Cable (Europe) for DeskJet Printer
•	2000-664	Power Cable (Australia) for DeskJet Printer
•	2000-665	Power Cable (U.K.) for DeskJet Printer
•	2000-667	Power Cable (So. Africa) for DeskJet Printer
•	2000-1008	Sieko DPU-414-30BU Thermal Printer with Internal Battery, Thermal Printer Paper, Serial Cable, Power Cable
•	2000-755	Five rolls of Thermal Paper
•	2000-1002	U.S. Adapter for Seiko DPU-414-30B
•	2000-1003	Euro Adapter for Seiko DPU-414-30B
•	2000-1194	Japan Adapter for Seiko DPU-414-30B
•	2000-1004	Battery Pack Adapter for Seiko DPU-414-30B
•	2000-1012	Serial 9-pin male to 9-pin female cable for Seiko DPU-414-30B
•	2000-1046	Serial-to-parallel Converter Cable w/ DIP switch labeling, 36-pin female Centronics to DB25 female

Optional Accessories

Part Number	<u>Description</u>
10580-00061	S113C, S114C, S331C, S332C Programming Manual (on disk only)
10580-00062	S113C/S331C Maintenance Manual
10580-00068	S114C/S332C Maintenance Manual
760-215A	Transit Case for Site Master
633-27	Rechargeable Battery, NiMH
2000-1029	Battery Charger with universal power supply, NiMH only
48258	Soft Carrying Case
40-115	AC Adaptor Power Supply
806-62	Cable Assy, Cig Plug, Female
800-441	Serial Interface Cable Assy
551-1691	USB Adapter Cable
2300-347	Software Tools CD
ICN50	InstaCal™ Calibration Module, 50 Ohm, 2 MHz to 4.0 GHz, N (m)
OSLN50LF	Anritsu Precision N (m) Open/Short/Load, 42 dB
OSLNF50LF	Anritsu Precision N (f) Open/Short/Load, 42 dB
22N50	Anritsu Precision N (m) Short/Open
22NF50	Anritsu Precision N (f) Short/Open
SM/PL	Site Master Precision N (m) Load, 42 dB
SM/PLNF	Site Master Precision N (f) Load, 42 dB
2000-767	7/16 (m) Precision Open/Short/Load
2000-768	7/16 (f) Precision Open/Short/Load
34NN50A	Adapter, Precision N (m) to N (m)
34NFNF50	Adapter, Precision N (f) to N (f)
510-90	Adapter, 7/16 (f) to N (m)
510-91	Adapter, 7/16 (f) to N (f)
510-92	Adapter, 7/16 (m) to N (m)
510-93	Adapter, 7/16 (m) to N (f)
510-96	Adapter, 7/16 DIN (m) to 7/16 DIN (m)
510-97	Adapter, 7/16 DIN (f) to 7/16 DIN (f)
15NNF50-1.5C	Armored Test Port Extension Cable, 1.5 meter, N (m) to N (f)
15NNF50-3.0C	Armored Test Port Extension Cable, 3.0 meter, N (m) to N (f)
15NNF50-5.0C	Armored Test Port Extension Cable, 5.0 meter, N (m) to N (f)
15NN50-1.5C	Armored Test Port Extension Cable, 1.5 meter, N (m) to N (m)
15NN50-3.0C	Armored Test Port Extension Cable, 3.0 meter, N (m) to N (m)
15NN50-5.0C	Armored Test Port Extension Cable, 5.0 meter, N (m) to N (m)
15NDF50-1.5C	Armored Test Port Extension Cable, 1.5 meter, N (m) to 7/16 DIN (f)
15ND50-1.5C	Armored Test Port Extension Cable, 1.5 meter, N (m) to 7/16 DIN (m)
12N50-75B	Matching Pad, converts 75 Ω to 50 $\Omega,$ 7.5 dB loss, DC to 3,000 MHz, 50 Ω N(m) to 75 Ω N(f)
2000-1030	Antenna SMA (m), 50 Ω , 1.71 to 1.88 GHz
2000-1031	Antenna SMA (m), 50 Ω , 1.85 to 1.99 GHz
2000-1032	Antenna SMA (m), 50 Ω , 2.4 to 2.5 GHz
2000-1035	Antenna SMA (m), 50 Ω , 896 to 941 MHz
2000-1200	Antenna SMA (m), 50 Ω , 806-869MHz



Performance Specifications

Performance specifications are provided in Table 1-1, on the following page.

Table 1-1. Performance Specifications (1 of 2)

Specifications are valid when the unit is calibrated at ambient temperature after a five minute warmup. Typical values are provided for reference only and are not guaranteed.

<u>Description</u> <u>Value</u>

 Site Master:
 Frequency Range:

 S113C, S114C
 2 to 1600 MHz

 S331C, S332C
 25 to 4000 MHz

Frequency Accuracy (RF Source Mode) ≤75 parts per million @ 25°C*

Frequency Resolution: S113C, S114C 10 kHz S331C, S332C 100 kHz

SWR: Range 1.00 to 65.00

Resolution 0.01

Return Loss: Range 0.00 to 54.00 dB

Resolution 0.01 dB

**Distance-To-Fault (DTF):

Vertical Range Return Loss: 0.00 to 54.00 dB

SWR: 1.00 to 65.00

Horizontal Range 0 to ((# of data points -1) × resolution) a maximum

 ΔF

of 1000m (3281 ft.) with a maximum of 517 points

resolution, # of data pts. = 130, 259, 517

Horizontal Resolution for Coax $(1.5 \times 10^8)(Vp)$

(rectangular windowing)

Where V_p is the relative propagation velocity of the cable; dp is the number of data points

(130, 259, 517); ΔF is the stop frequency minus the

start frequency (Hz)

Horizontal Resolution for Waveguide

$$\frac{1.5 \times 10^8 (\sqrt{1 - (F_C / F_1)^2})}{4.5}$$

Where F_C is the waveguide cutoff frequency (Hz); F_1 is the start frequency (Hz); ΔF is the stop frequency minus the start frequency (Hz)

RF Power Monitor:

Display Range -80.0 to +80 dBm or 10.0 pW to 100.0 kW

Detector Range -50 dBm to +20 dBm, or 10 μ W to 100 mW

 $\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Offset Range} & \text{0 to +60.0 dB} \\ \text{Resolution} & \text{0.1 dB or 0.1 W} \\ \text{Test Port Connector} & \text{Type N, } 50\Omega\text{, female} \end{array}$

***Immunity to Interfering signals on-channel on-frequency up to the level of: S113C, S114C +17 dBm +10 dBm

S331C, S332C +17 dBm -6 dBm

Maximum Input without Damage:

Test Port, Type N (f) +20 dBm, 50Ω , +50 VDC RF Power Detector +20 dBm, 50Ω , +50 VDC

Measurement Accuracy:

Measurement accuracy depends on calibration components. Precision calibration components

have a directivity of 42 dB.

Cable Insertion Loss: Range 0.00 to 54.00 dB

Resolution 0.01 dB

Table 1-2. Performance Specifications (2 of 2)

Transmission Line Loss (one-port)

Range 0.00 to 20.00 dB

Resolution 0.01 dB

Spectrum Analyzer:

Frequency Range S114C 100 kHz to 1.6 GHz

100 kHz to 3.0 GHz S332C

±1 ppm/yr Frequency Reference Aging

±2 ppm Accuracy

Frequency Span S114C 0 Hz (zero span) 100 kHz to 1.6 GHz S332C 0 Hz (zero span) 100 kHz to 3.0 GHz

≥6500 ms (full span)

Sweep Time 500 ms (zero span)

Resolution Bandwidth 10 kHz, 30 kHz, 100 kHz, 1 MHz

> Accuracy ± 20% typical

Video Bandwidth 100 Hz to 300 kHz in 1-3 sequence

SSB Phase Noise (1 GHz) @ 30 kHz offset ≤ -75 dBc/Hz Spurious Responses, Input Related ≤ -45 dBc

Spurious Residual Responses \leq 90 dBm @ \geq 500 kHz Note: 10 kHz resolution bandwidth, input terminated, no attenuation

Amplitude

Measurement Range -95 dBm to +20 dBm typical

Dynamic Range ≥ 65 dB typical

Maximum Safe Input Level +20 dBm, maximum measurable safe input

+23 dBm, maximum input (damage)

+23 dBm, peak pulse power

±50 Vdc

Displayed Average Noise Level: \leq -80 dBm (<500 kHz typical)

≤ -95 dBm (≥500 kHz typical)

2 to 15 dB/div. in 1 dB steps; 10 divisions displayed. Display Range, Log Scale

Frequency Response

2.0:1 RF Input VSWR Resolution (Ref. Level) 1.0 dB

Total Level Accuracy**** ±2 dB ≥ 500 kHz typical ±3 dB <500 kHz typical

General

Internal Memory:

200 maximum **Trace Memory** Instrument Configuration 10 setup locations

RS-232 9 pin D-sub, three wire serial

Electromagnetic Compatibility Complies with European community requirements

for CE marking

External DC Input +11 to +15 Vdc, 1250 mA max.

Temperature: Storage -20° C to 75° C

Operating 0° C to 50° C

Weight: 2.15 kg (4.76 pounds) Dimensions: 25.4 x 17.8 x 6.1 cm (10 x 7 x 2.4 inches)



^{*} $\pm 2 ppm/\Delta^{\circ}C from 25^{\circ}C$;

^{**} Fault location is accomplished by inverse Fourier Transformation of data taken with the Site Master. Resolution and maximum range depend on the number of frequency data points, frequency sweep range and relative propagation velocity of the cable being tested.;

^{***} Immunity measurement is made in CW mode with incoming interfering signal exactly at the same frequency (worst case situation). Typical immunity is better when swept frequency is used.;

^{****} For input signal levels \geq -60 dBm, accuracy at 50 MHz @ -30 dBm = \pm 1dB.

Preventive Maintenance

Site Master preventive maintenance consists of cleaning the unit and inspecting and cleaning the RF connectors on the instrument and all accessories.

Clean the Site Master with a soft, lint-free cloth dampened with water or water and a mild cleaning solution.

CAUTION: To avoid damaging the display or case, do not use solvents or abrasive cleaners.

Clean the RF connectors and center pins with a cotton swab dampened with denatured alcohol. Visually inspect the connectors. The fingers of the N (f) connectors and the pins of the N (m) connectors should be unbroken and uniform in appearance. If you are unsure whether the connectors are good, gauge the connectors to confirm that the dimensions are correct.

Visually inspect the test port cable(s). The test port cable should be uniform in appearance, not stretched, kinked, dented, or broken.

Calibration

The Site Master is a field portable unit operating in the rigors of the test environment. An Open-Short-Load (OSL) calibration should be performed prior to making a measurement in the field (see Calibration, page 3-2). A built-in temperature sensor in the Site Master advises the user, via an icon located on the right side of the LCD screen, that the internal temperature has exceeded a safety window, and the user is advised to perform another OSL calibration in order to maintain the integrity of the measurement.

NOTES:

For best calibration results—compensation for all measurement uncertainties—ensure that the Open/Short/Load is at the end of the test port or optional extension cable; that is, at the same point that you will connect the antenna or device to be tested.

For best results, use a phase stable Test Port Extension Cable (see Optional Accessories). If you use a typical laboratory cable to extend the Site Master test port to the device under test, cable bending subsequent to the OSL calibration will cause uncompensated phase reflections inside the cable. Thus, cables which are NOT phase stable may cause measurement errors that are more pronounced as the test frequency increases.

For optimum calibration, Anritsu recommends using precision calibration components.

InstaCal Module

The Anritsu InstaCal module can be used in place of discrete components to calibrate the Site Master. The InstaCal module can be used to perform an Open, Short and Load (OSL) calibration procedure. Calibration of the Site Master with the InstaCal takes approximately 45 seconds (see Calibration, page 3-2). Unlike a discrete calibration component, the InstaCal module can not be used at the top of the tower to conduct load or insertion loss measurements. The module operates from 2 MHz to 4 GHz and weighs eight ounces.

Anritsu recommends annual verification of the InstaCal module to verify performance with precision instrument data. The verification may be performed at a local Anritsu Service Center or at the Anritsu factory.

Annual Verification

Anritsu recommends an annual calibration and performance verification of the Site Master and the OSL calibration components and InstaCal module by local Anritsu service centers. Anritsu service centers are listed in Table 1-2 on the following page.

The Site Master itself is self-calibrating, meaning that there are no field-adjustable components. However, the OSL calibration components are crucial to the integrity of the calibration and therefore, must be verified periodically to ensure performance conformity. This is especially important if the OSL calibration components have been accidentally dropped or over-torqued.

ESD Precautions

The Site Master, like other high performance instruments, is susceptible to ESD damage. Very often, coaxial cables and antennas build up a static charge, which, if allowed to discharge by connecting to the Site Master, may damage the Site Master input circuitry. Site Master operators should be aware of the potential for ESD damage and take all necessary precautions. Operators should exercise practices outlined within industry standards like JEDEC-625 (EIA-625), MIL-HDBK-263, and MIL-STD-1686, which pertain to ESD and ESDS devices, equipment, and practices.

As these apply to the Site Master, it is recommended to dissipate any static charges that may be present before connecting the coaxial cables or antennas to the Site Master. This may be as simple as temporarily attaching a short or load device to the cable or antenna prior to attaching to the Site Master. It is important to remember that the operator may also carry a static charge that can cause damage. Following the practices outlined in the above standards will insure a safe environment for both personnel and equipment.



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Chapter 2 Functions and Operations

Introduction

This chapter provides a brief overview of the Site Master functions and operations, providing the user with a starting point for making basic measurements. For more detailed information, refer to Chapter 4, *Cable & Antenna Measurements*, Chapter 5, *Spectrum Analyzer Measurements*, and Chapter 7, *Software Tools*.

The Site Master is designed specifically for field environments and applications requiring mobility. As such, it is a lightweight, handheld, battery operated unit which can be easily carried to any location, and is capable of up to 2.5 hours of continuous operation from a fully charged battery. Built-in energy conservation features allow battery life to be extended over an eight-hour workday. The Site Master can also be powered by a 12.5 Vdc external source. The external source can be either the Anritsu AC-DC Adapter (P/N 40-115) or 12.5 Vdc Automotive Cigarette Lighter Adapter (P/N 806-62). Both items are standard accessories.

Test Connector Panel

The connectors and indicators located on the test panel (Figure 2-1) are listed and described below.

12.5-15VDC (1100 mA)

12.5 to 15 Vdc @ 1100 mA input to power the unit or for battery charging.

WARNING

When using the AC-DC Adapter, always use a three-wire power cable connected to a three-wire power line outlet. If power is supplied without grounding the equipment in this manner, there is a risk of receiving a severe or fatal electric shock.

Battery Charging	Illuminates when the battery is being charged. The indicator automatically shuts off when the battery is fully charged.
External Power	Illuminates when the Site Master is being powered by the external charging unit.
Serial Interface	RS232 DB9 interface to a COM port on a personal computer (for use with the Anritsu Software Tools program) or to a supported printer.
RF Out	RF output, 50 Ω impedance, for reflection measurements.
RF In	RF input, 50 Ω impedance, for spectrum analysis measurements.
RF Detector	RF detector input for the Power Monitor.

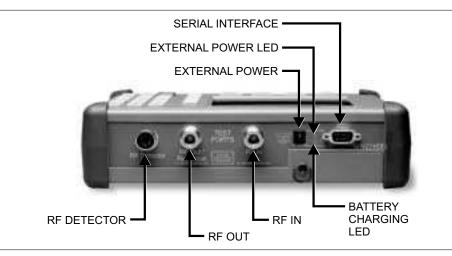


Figure 2-1. Test Connector Panel

Front Panel Overview

The Site Master menu-driven user interface is easy to use and requires little training. Hard keys on the front panel are used to initiate function-specific menus. There are four function hard keys located below the display, Mode, Frequency/Distance, Amplitude and Sweep.

There are seventeen keypad hard keys located to the right of the display. Twelve of the keypad hard keys perform more than one function, depending on the current mode of operation. The dual purpose keys are labeled with one function in black, the other in blue.

There are also six soft keys that change function depending upon the current mode selection. The current soft key function is indicated in the active function block to the right of the display. The locations of the different keys are illustrated in Figure 2-2.

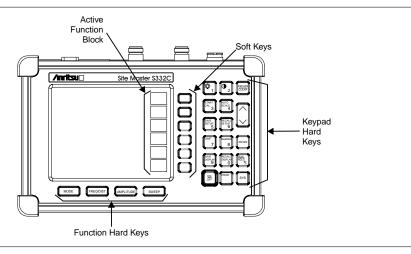


Figure 2-2. Site Master Soft Keys

The following sections describe the various key functions.

Function Hard Keys

MODE

Opens the mode selection box (below). Use the Up/Down arrow key to select a mode. Press the ENTER key to implement.

MEASUREMENT MODE

FREQ - SWR

RETURN LOSS

CABLE LOSS - ONE PORT

DTF - SWR

RETURN LOSS

POWER MONITOR

SPECTRUM ANALYZER

Figure 2-3. Mode Selection Box

FREQ/DIST Displays the Frequency or Distance to Fault softkey menus depending on the

measurement mode.

AMPLITUDE Displays the amplitude softkey menu for the current operating mode.

SWEEP Displays the Sweep function softkey menu for the current operating mode.

Keypad Hard Keys

This section contains an alphabetical listing of the Site Master front panel keypad controls along with a brief description of each. More detailed descriptions of the major function keys follow.

The following keypad hard key functions are printed in **black** on the keypad keys.

0-9	These keys are used to enter numerical data as required to setup or per-
	form measurements.

+/_	The plus/minus key is used to enter positive or negative values as required
	to setup or perform measurements.

•	The decimal point is used to enter decimal values as required to setup or
	perform measurements.

Exits the present operation or clears the display. If a parameter is being edited, pressing this key will clear the value currently being entered and restore the last valid entry. Pressing this key again will close the parameter. During normal sweeping, pressing this key will move up one menu

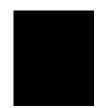
level.

UP/DOWN Increments or decrements a parameter value. The specific parameter value affected typically appears in the message area of the LCD.

NOTE: At turn on, before any other keys are pressed, the Up/Down arrow key may be used to adjust the display contrast. Press ENTER to return to normal operation.

ENTER	Implements the current action or parameter selection.	
ON OFF	Turns the Anritsu Site Master on or off. When turned on, the system state at the last turn-off is restored. If the ESCAPE/CLEAR key is held down while the ON/OFF key is pressed, the factory preset state will be restored.	
SYS	Allows selection of display language and system setup parameters.	

Choices are OPTIONS, CLOCK, SELF TEST, STATUS and LANGUAGE.



The following keypad hard key functions are printed in **blue** on the keypad keys.



Turns the liquid crystal display (LCD) back-lighting ON or OFF. (Leaving back lighting off conserves battery power.)



LCD Contrast adjust. Use the Up/Down arrow key and ENTER to adjust the display contrast.

AUTO SCALE Automatically scales the display for optimum resolution.

LIMIT

Displays the limit line menu for the current operating mode.

MARKER

Displays the marker menu of the current operating mode.

PRINT

Prints the current display to the selected printer via the RS232 serial port.

RECALL DISPLAY Recalls a previously saved trace from memory. When the key is pressed, a Recall Trace selection box appears on the display. Select a trace using the

Up/Down arrow key and press the ENTER key to implement.

To erase a saved trace, highlight the trace and select the DELETE TRACE softkey. To erase all saved traces, select the DELETE ALL TRACES

softkey.

RECALL SETUP Recalls a previously saved setup from memory location 1 through 10. When the key is pressed, a RECALL SETUP selection box appears on the display. Select a setup using the Up/Down arrow key and press the ENTER key to implement. Setup 0 recalls the factory preset state.

RUN HOLD When in the Hold mode, this key starts the Site Master sweeping and provides a Single Sweep Mode trigger; when in the Run mode, it pauses the sweep. When in the Hold mode, the hold symbol (page 2-19) appears on the display. Hold mode conserves battery power.

SAVE DISPLAY

Saves up to 200 displayed traces to non-volatile memory. When the key is pressed, TRACE NAME: appears in the lower left of the display. Save the display with up to 16 alphanumeric characters for that trace name and press the ENTER key to implement.

SAVE SETUP Saves the current system setup to 1 of 10 internal non-volatile memory locations. When the key is pressed, a SAVE SETUP selection box appears on the display. Use the Up/Down arrow key to select a setup and press the ENTER key to implement.

START CAL Starts the calibration in SWR, Return Loss, Cable Loss, or DTF measurement modes (not available in Spectrum Analyzer mode).



Soft Keys

Each keypad key opens a set of soft key selections. Each of the soft keys has a corresponding soft key label area on the display. The label identifies the function of the soft key for the current Mode selection.

Figures 2-4 through 2-8 show the soft key labels for each Mode selection.

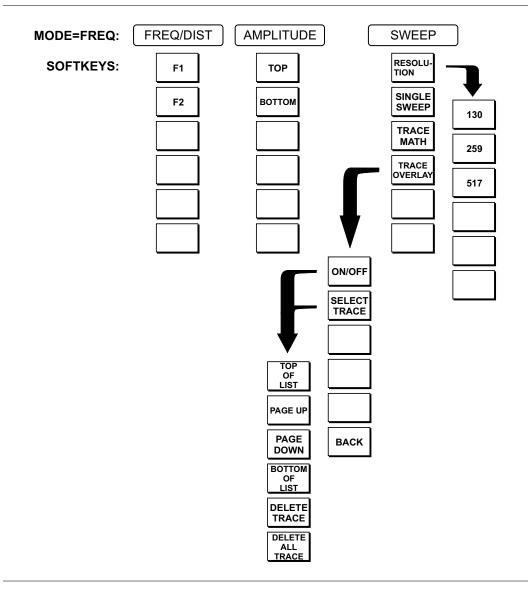


Figure 2-4. Frequency Mode Soft Key Labels

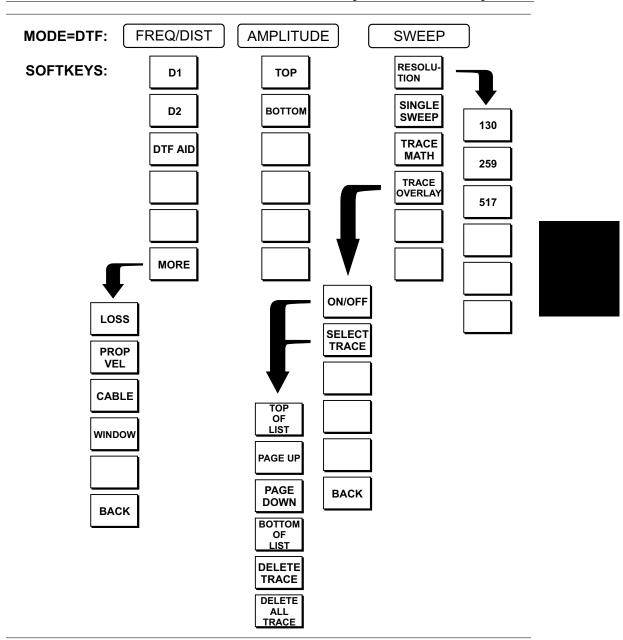


Figure 2-5. Distance to Fault Mode Soft Key Labels

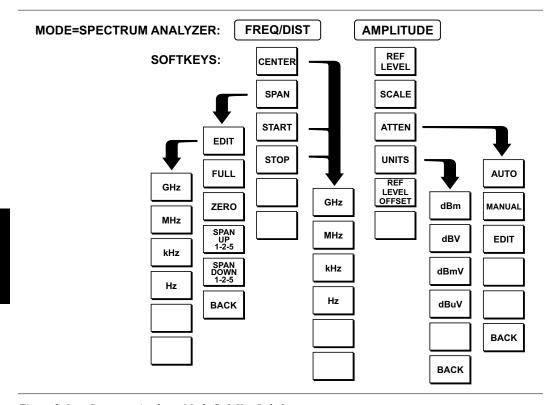


Figure 2-6. Spectrum Analyzer Mode Soft Key Labels

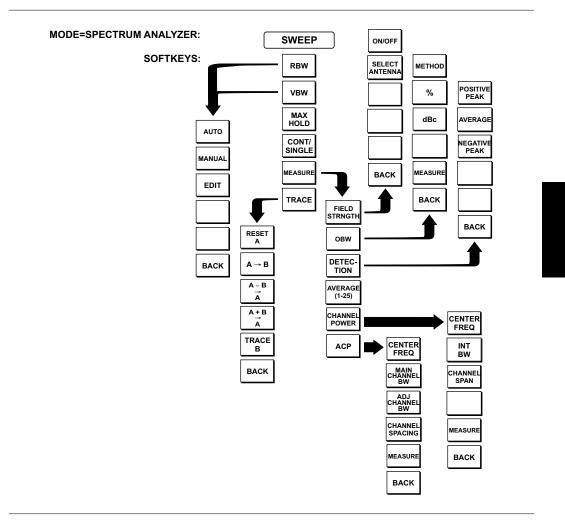


Figure 2-7. Power Monitor Mode Soft Key Labels

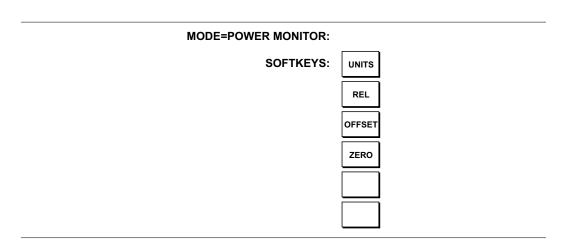


Figure 2-8. Spectrum Analyzer Mode Soft Key Labels (continued)

FREQ/DIST

Displays the frequency and distance menu depending on the measurement mode.

Frequency Menu

Provides for setting sweep frequency end points when FREQ mode is selected. Selected frequency values may be changed using the keypad or Up/Down arrow key.

- □ F1 Opens the F1 parameter for data entry. This is the start value for the frequency sweep. Press ENTER when data entry is complete.
- □ F2 Opens the F2 parameter for data entry. This is the stop value for the frequency sweep. Press ENTER when data entry is complete.

Distance Menu

Provides for setting Distance to Fault parameters when a DTF mode is selected. Choosing DIST causes the soft keys, below, to be displayed and the corresponding values to be shown in the message area. Selected distance values may be changed using the keypad or Up/Down arrow key.

- □ D1 Opens the start distance (D1) parameter for data entry. This is the start value for the distance range (D1 default = 0). Press ENTER when data entry is complete.
- □ D2 Opens the end distance (D2) parameter for data entry. This is the end value for the distance range. Press ENTER when data entry is complete.
- □ DTF AID Provides interactive help to optimize DTF set up parameters. Use the Up/Down arrow key to select a parameter to edit. Press ENTER when data entry is complete.
- □ MORE Selects the Distance Sub-Menu, detailed below.

Distance Sub-Menu

Provides for setting the cable loss and relative propagation velocity of the coaxial cable. Selected values may be changed using the Up/Down arrow key or keypad.

- □ LOSS Opens the Cable Loss parameter for data entry. Enter the loss per foot (or meter) for the type of transmission line being tested. Press ENTER when data entry is complete. (Range is 0.5 to 5.000 dB/m, 1.524 dB/ft)
- □ PROP VEL (relative propagation velocity) Opens the Propagation Velocity parameter for data entry. Enter the propagation velocity for the type of transmission line being tested. Press ENTER when data entry is complete. (Range is 0.010 to 1.000)
- □ CABLE Opens a list of cable folders for selection of a common coaxial cable folder or custom coaxial cable folder. Select either folder and use the Up/Down arrow key and ENTER to make a selection. This feature provides a rapid means of setting both cable loss and propagation velocity. (Refer to Appendix A for a listing of common coaxial cables showing values for Relative Propagation Velocity and Nominal Attenuation in dB/m or dB/ft @ 1000 MHz, 2000 MHz and 2500 MHz.) The custom cable folder can consist of up to 24 user-defined cable parameters downloaded via the Site Master Software Tools program.
- □ WINDOW Opens a menu of FFT windowing types for the DTF calculation. Scroll the menu using the Up/Down arrow key and make a selection with the ENTER key.
- □ BACK Returns to the Distance Menu.





Choosing FREQ/DIST in Spectrum Analyzer mode causes the soft keys, below, to be displayed and the corresponding values to be shown in the message area.

- □ CENTER Sets the center frequency of the Spectrum Analyzer display . Enter a value using the Up/Down arrow key or keypad, press ENTER to accept, ESCAPE to restore previous value.
- □ SPAN Sets the user-defined frequency span. Use the Up/Down arrow key or keypad to enter a value in MHz. Also brings up FULL and ZERO softkeys.
 - □ EDIT allows editing of the frequency span. Enter a value using the number keys.
 - ☐ FULL span sets the Spectrum Analyzer to its maximum frequency span.
 - □ ZERO span sets the span to 0 Hz. This displays the input signal in an amplitude versus time mode, which is useful for viewing modulation.
 - □ SPAN UP 1-2-5 activates the span function so that the span may be increased quickly in a 1-2-5 sequence.
 - □ SPAN DOWN 1-2-5 activates the span function so that the span may be reduced quickly in a 1-2-5 sequence.
 - □ BACK returns to the previous menu level.
- □ START Sets the Spectrum Analyzer in the START-STOP mode. Enter a start frequency value (in kHz, MHz, or GHz) using the Up/Down arrow key or keypad, press ENTER to accept, ESCAPE to restore.
- □ STOP Sets the Spectrum Analyzer in the START-STOP mode. Enter a stop frequency value (in kHz, MHz, or GHz) using the Up/Down arrow key or keypad, press ENTER to accept, ESCAPE to restore.



AMPLITUDE

Displays the amplitude or scale menu depending on the measurement mode.

Amplitude Menu

Provides for changing the display scale. Selected values may be changed using the Up/Down arrow key or keypad.

Choosing AMPLITUDE in FREQ or DTF measurement modes causes the soft keys, below, to be displayed and the corresponding values to be shown in the message area.

- □ TOP Opens the top parameter for data entry and provides for setting the top scale value. Press ENTER when data entry is complete.
- □ BOTTOM Opens the bottom parameter for data entry and provides for setting the bottom scale value. Press ENTER when data entry is complete.

Choosing AMPLITUDE in SPECTRUM ANALYZER mode causes the soft keys, below, to be displayed and the corresponding values to be shown in the message area.

- □ REF LEVEL Activates the amplitude reference level function.
- □ SCALE Activates the scale function in a 2 through 15 dB logarithmic amplitude scale.
- □ ATTEN Sets the Anritsu input attenuator so that it is either coupled automatically to the reference level (AUTO) or manually adjustable (MANUAL).
- $\hfill \square$ UNITS Choose from the menu of amplitude related units. Selection of dBm sets absolute decibels relative to 1 mW as the amplitude unit. Selection of dBV, dBmV or dB μ V sets absolute decibels relative to 1 volt, 1 millivolt, or 1 microvolt respectively as the amplitude unit.
- □ REF LEVEL OFFSET Sets the reference level offset. This feature allows measurement of high gain devices in combination with an attenuator. It is used to offset the reference level to view the correct output level. For example, to measure a high gain amplifier with an output of 70 dBm, an external 50 dB attenuator must be inserted between the Site Master and the device. To compensate, set the reference level offset to −50 dB to set the level at the top of the display.



SWEEP

Displays the Sweep function soft key menu for the current operating mode.

Sweep Menu

Provides for changing the display resolution, single or continuous sweep, and access to the Trace Math functions.

Choosing SWEEP in FREQ or DTF measurement modes causes the soft keys below to be displayed.

- □ RESOLUTION Opens the display to change the resolution. Choose 130, 259, or 517 data points. (In DTF mode, resolution can be adjusted through the DTF-AID table.)
- □ SINGLE SWEEP Toggles the sweep between single sweep and continuous sweep. In single sweep mode, each sweep must be activated by the RUN/HOLD button.
- □ TRACE MATH Opens up the Trace Math functions (trace-memory or trace+memory) for comparison of the real time trace in the display with any of the traces from memory. (Not available in DTF mode.)
- □ TRACE OVERLAY Opens up the Trace Overlay functions menu to allow the current trace to be displayed with a trace in memory overlaid on it. Choose ON or OFF and SELECT TRACE to select the trace from memory to be overlaid.

Choosing SWEEP in SPECTRUM ANALYZER mode causes the soft keys below to be displayed.

- □ RBW Sets the resolution bandwidth so that it is either coupled automatically to the span (AUTO) or manually adjustable (MANUAL).
- □ VBW Sets the video bandwidth so that it is either coupled automatically to the span (AUTO) or manually adjustable (MANUAL).
- MAX HOLD Displays and holds the maximum responses of the input signal.
- □ CONT/SINGLE Toggles between continuous and single sweep.
- □ MEASURE Activates a menu of measurement related functions. Use the corresponding softkey to select the measurement function.
 - □ FIELD STRENGTH Accesses a menu of field strength measurement options.

ON/OFF - Turns field strength measurements on or off.

SELECT ANTENNA - Selects an antenna profile to be used for field strength measurements.

BACK - Returns to the previous menu.

- OBW Activates the occupied bandwidth menu. Select either METHOD, % or dBc method of occupied bandwidth measurement. METHOD allows selection of either % of power or dB Down. Selecting % allows entry of the desired % of occupied bandwidth to be measured.
 - Selecting dBc allows entry of the desired power level (dBc) to be measured.
- □ DETECTION Accesses a menu of detector modes including POSITIVE PEAK detection, AVERAGE detection and NEGATIVE PEAK detection.



- □ AVERAGE (1-25) The display will be an average of the number of sweeps specified here. For example, if the number four is entered here, the data displayed will be an average of the four most recent sweeps.
- □ CHANNEL POWER Activates Channel Power measurement. Channel power is measured in dBm. Channel Power density is measured in dBm/Hz. The displayed units is determined by the setting of the UNITS soft key in the **AMPLITUDE** menu.
- □ ACP Accesses a menu of Adjacent Channel Power ratio measurement options:

CENTER FREQ - Activates the center frequency function and sets the Anritsu Site Master to the center frequency. A specific center frequency can be entered using the keypad or Up/Down arrow key. Select the GHz, MHz, kHz, or Hz softkey to accept the center frequency input.

MAIN CHANNEL BW - Sets the bandwidth of the main channel.

ADJACENT CHANNEL BW - Sets the bandwidth of the adjacent channel. CHANNEL SPACING - Sets the channel spacing.

MEASURE - Begins the ACP measurement.

BACK - Returns to the previous menu.

- □ BACK Returns to the previous menu.
- □ TRACE Activates a menu of trace related functions. Use the corresponding softkey to select the desired trace function.

NOTE: For this function, Trace A is always the runtime trace, and Trace B is always a saved trace. Refer to page for information on saving and recalling traces.

- □ RESET A Clears the current runtime trace.
- \square A \rightarrow B Stores the current runtime trace into the Trace B buffer.
- \square A B \rightarrow A Performs a subtraction trace math operation.
- \square A + B \rightarrow A Performs an addition trace math operation.
- □ TRACE B Accesses a menu of saved trace options.

 VIEW B Provides a trace overlay of the saved trace with the current runtime trace.

CLEAR B - Turns off trace overlay.

RECALL TRACE \rightarrow B - Recalls the saved trace B buffer.

□ BACK — Returns to the previous menu level.

MARKER

Choosing MARKER causes the soft keys, below, to be displayed and the corresponding values to be shown in the message area. Selected frequency marker or distance marker values may be changed using the keypad or Up/Down arrow key

- M1 Selects the M1 marker parameter and opens the M1 marker second level menu.
 - □ ON/OFF Turns the selected marker on or off.
 - □ EDIT Opens the selected marker parameter for data entry. Press ENTER when data entry is complete or ESCAPE to restore the previous value.
 - □ MARKER TO PEAK Places the selected marker at the frequency or distance with the maximum amplitude value.
 - ☐ MARKER TO VALLEY Places the selected marker at the frequency or distance with the minimum amplitude value.
 - □ BACK Returns to the Main Markers Menu.
- □ M2 through M4 Selects the marker parameter and opens the marker second level menu.
 - □ ON/OFF Turns the selected marker on or off.
 - □ EDIT Opens the selected marker parameter for data entry. Press ENTER when data entry is complete or ESCAPE to restore the previous value.
 - □ DELTA (Mx-M1) Displays delta amplitude value as well as delta frequency or distance for the selected marker with respect to the M1 marker.
 - □ MARKER TO PEAK Places the selected marker at the frequency or distance with the maximum amplitude value.
 - ☐ MARKER TO VALLEY Places the selected marker at the frequency or distance with the minimum amplitude value.
 - □ BACK Returns to the Main Markers Menu.
- □ M5 Selects the M5 marker parameter and opens the M5 second level menu.
 - □ ON/OFF Turns the selected marker on or off.
 - □ EDIT Opens the selected marker parameter for data entry. Press ENTER when data entry is complete or ESCAPE to restore the previous value.
 - □ PEAK BETWEEN M1 & M2 Places the selected marker at the frequency or distance with the maximum amplitude value between marker M1 and marker M2.
 - □ VALLEY BETWEEN M1 & M2 Places the selected marker at the frequency or distance with the minimum amplitude value between marker M1 and marker M2.
 - □ BACK Returns to the Main Markers Menu.
- □ M6 Selects the M6 marker parameter and opens the M6 second level menu.



- □ ON/OFF Turns the selected marker on or off.
- □ EDIT Opens the selected marker parameter for data entry. Press ENTER when data entry is complete or ESCAPE to restore the previous value.
- □ PEAK BETWEEN M3 & M4 Places the selected marker at the peak between marker M3 and marker M4.
- □ VALLEY BETWEEN M3 & M4 Places the selected marker at the valley between marker M3 and marker M4.
- □ BACK Returns to the Main Markers Menu.

LIMIT

Pressing **LIMIT** on the data keypad activates a menu of limit related functions. Use the corresponding softkey to select the desired limit function. Then use the Up/Down arrow key to change its value, which is displayed in the message area at the bottom of the display.

Choosing LIMIT in FREQ or DTF measurement modes causes the soft keys below to be displayed.

□ SINGLE LIMIT — Sets a single limit value in dBm. Menu choices are:

ON/OFF

EDIT

BACK

□ MULTIPLE LIMITS — Sets multiple user defined limits, and can be used to create a limit mask for quick pass/fail measurements. Menu choices are:

SEGMENT 1

SEGMENT 2

SEGMENT 3

SEGMENT 4

SEGMENT 5

BACK

□ LIMIT BEEP — Turns the audible limit beep indicator on or off.

Choosing LIMIT in SPECTRUM ANALYZER measurement mode causes the soft keys below to be displayed.

□ SINGLE LIMIT — Sets a single limit value in dBm. Menu choices are:

ON/OFF

FDIT

BACK

□ MULTIPLE UPPER LIMITS — Sets multiple user defined upper limits, and can be used to create an upper limit mask for quick pass/fail measurements. Menu choices are:

SEGMENT 1

SEGMENT 2

SEGMENT 3

SEGMENT 4

SEGMENT 5

BACK

□ MULTIPLE LOWER LIMITS — Set multiple user defined lower limits, and can be used to create a lower limit mask for quick pass/fail measurements. Menu choices are:



		SEGMENT 2 SEGMENT 3 SEGMENT 4 SEGMENT 5 BACK
	LIN	MIT BEEP — Turns the audible limit beep indicator on or off.
Di	spla	ays the System menu softkey selections.
	OF	PTIONS — Displays a second level of functions:
		UNITS — Select the unit of measurement (English or metric).
		PRINTER — Displays a menu of supported printers. Use the Up/Down arrow key and ENTER key to make the selection.
		FIXED CW — Toggles the fixed CW function ON or OFF. When OFF, a narrow band of frequencies centered on the selected frequency is generated. When CW is ON, only the center frequency is generated. Output power is pulsed in all modes.
		CHANGE DATE FORMAT — Toggles the date format between MM/DD/YY, DD/MM/YY, and YY/MM/DD.
		BACK — Returns to the top-level SYS Menu.
	CL	OCK — Displays a second level of functions:
		\mbox{HOUR} — Enter the hour (0-23) using the Up/Down arrow key or the keypad. Press <code>ENTER</code> when data entry is complete or <code>ESCAPE</code> to restore the previous value.
		MINUTE — Enter the minute (0-59) using the Up/Down arrow key or the keypad. Press ENTER when data entry is complete or ESCAPE to restore the previous value.
		MONTH — Enter the month (1-12) using the Up/Down arrow key or the keypad. Press ENTER when data entry is complete or ESCAPE to restore the previous value.
		DAY — Enter the day using the Up/Down arrow key or the keypad. Press ENTER when data entry is complete or ESCAPE to restore the previous value.
		YEAR — Enter the year (1997-2036) using the Up/Down arrow key or the keypad. Press ENTER when data entry is complete or ESCAPE to restore the previous value.
		BACK — Returns to the top-level SYS menu.
	SE	LF TEST — Start an instrument self test.
		ATUS — Displays the current instrument status, including calibration statement, temperature, and battery charge state. Press ESCAPE to return to operan.
	dis	nguage — Pressing this soft key immediately changes the language used to play messages on the Site Master display. Choices are English, French, rman, Spanish, Chinese, and Japanese. The default language is English.

SEGMENT 1

SYS

Power Monitor Menu

Selecting POWER MONITOR from the Mode menu causes the soft keys, described below, to be displayed and the corresponding values shown in the message area.

- □ UNITS Toggles between dBm and Watts.
- □ REL Turns relative mode OFF, if currently ON. If relative mode is currently OFF, turns it ON and causes the power level to be measured and saved as the base level. Subsequent measurements are then displayed relative to this saved value. With units of dBm, relative mode displays dBr; with units of Watts, relative mode displays % (percent).
- □ OFFSET Turns Offset OFF, if currently ON. If Offset is currently OFF, turns it ON and opens the Offset parameter for data entry. Press ENTER when data entry is complete.

 Offset is the attenuation (in dB) inserted in the line between the DUT and the RF detector. The attenuation is added to the measured input level prior to display.
- □ ZERO Turns Zero OFF, if currently ON. If Zero is currently OFF, this softkey turns it ON and initiates collection of a series of power level samples, which are averaged and saved. This saved value is then subtracted from subsequent measurements prior to display.



Symbols

Table 2-1 provides a listing of the symbols used as condition indicators on the LCD display. *Table 2-1. LCD Icon Symbols*

<u>Icon</u>	Symbol
HOLD	Site Master is in Hold for power conservation. To resume sweeping, press the RUN/HOLD key. After 10 minutes without a key press, the Site Master will automatically activate the power conservation mode.
\int_{dx}	Integrator Failure. Intermittent integrator failure may be caused by interference from another antenna. Persistent integrator failure indicates a need to return the Site Master to the nearest Anritsu service center for repair.
6	Lock fail indication. Check battery. (If the Site Master fails to lock with a fully charged battery, call your Anritsu Service Center.)
‡ ℃	When calibration is performed, the Site Master stores the ambient temperature. If the temperature drifts outside the specified range, this indicator will flash. A recalibration at the current temperature is recommended.
	Indicates the remaining charge on the battery. The inner white rectangle grows longer as the battery charge depletes.
	Indicates internal data processing.
CAL ON	The Site Master has been calibrated.
CAL ON!	The Site Master has been calibrated with the InstaCal Module.
CALL OFF	The Site Master has not been calibrated.

Self Test

At turn-on, the Site Master runs through a series of quick checks to ensure the system is functioning properly. Note that the battery voltage and temperature are displayed in the lower left corner below the self test message. If the battery is low, or if the ambient temperature is not within the specified operational range, Self Test will fail. If Self Test fails and the battery is fully charged and the Site Master is within the specified operating range, call your Anritsu Service Center.

Error Codes

Self Test Errors

A listing of Self Test Error messages is given in Table 2-2.

Table 2-2. Self Test Error Messages

Error Message	<u>Description</u>
BATTERY LOW	Battery voltage is less than 10 volts. Charge battery. <i>If condition persists, call your Anritsu Service Center.</i>
EXTERNAL POWER LOW	External supply voltage is less than 10 volts. <i>Call your Anritsu Service Center</i>
PLL FAILED	Phase-locked loops failed to lock. Charge battery. If condition persists with a fully charged battery, call your Anritsu Service Center
INTEGRATOR FAILED	Integration circuit could not charge to a valid level. Charge battery. If condition persists with a fully charged battery, call your Anritsu Service Center.
EEPROM R/W FAILED	Non-volatile memory system has failed. <i>Call your Anritsu Service Center</i> .
OUT OF TEMP. RANGE	Ambient temperature is not within the specified operating range. If the temperature is within the specified operating range and the condition persists, call your Anritsu Service Center.
RTC BATTERY LOW	The internal real-time clock battery is low. A low or drained clock battery will affect the date stamp on saved traces. <i>Contact your nearest Anritsu Service Center</i> .
LO LOCK FAIL	The local oscillator in the spectrum analyzer has phase lock loop errors. If condition persists with a fully charged battery, call your Anritsu Service Center.
POWER MONITOR FAIL	Failure of the power monitor system board voltages. <i>If condition persists, call your Anritsu Service Center.</i>
BATTERY CAL LOST	Battery communication failed. The indicated battery charge status may be invalid. <i>If condition persists, call your Anritsu Service Center</i> .
MEMORY FAIL	The EEPROM test on the Site Master main board has failed. <i>If condition persists, call your Anritsu Service Center.</i>
The time and date Have not been set on this Site Master. To set it, after exit- ing here press the <sys> [CLOCK] keys. Press ENTER or ESC to continue</sys>	The time and date are not properly set in the Site Master. If condition persists, call your Anritsu Service Center.

 $\textbf{\textit{Note:}} \ A \ listing \ of \ Anritsu \ Service \ Centers \ is \ provided \ in \ Table \ 1-2 \ , \ page \ 1-8.$

Range Errors

A listing of Range Error messages is given in Table 2-3.

Table 2-3. Range Error Messages (1 of 2)

Error Message	<u>Description</u>
RANGE ERROR:F1 > F2	The start (F1) frequency is greater than the stop (F2) frequency.
RANGE ERROR:D1 > D2	The start (D1) distance is greater than the stop (D2) distance.
RANGE ERROR:D2 > DMax=xx.x ft (m)	The stop distance (D2) exceeds the maximum unaliased range. This range is determined by the frequency span, number of points, and relative propagation velocity: $MaximumUnaliased\ Range = \frac{(1.5 \times 10^8)(dp-1)(V_f)}{F2-F1}$
	F2-F1
	Where: dp is the number of data points (130, 259, or 517) V_f is the relative propagation velocity F2 is the stop frequency in $HzF1$ is the start frequency in $HzMaximum Unaliased Range is in meters$
RANGE ERROR: TOP<=BOTTOM	The SWR scale parameter top value is less than or equal to its bottom value.
RANGE ERROR: TOP>=BOTTOM	The RL scale parameter top value is greater than or equal to its bottom value.
CAL INCOMPLETE	A complete open, short, and load calibration must be performed before calibration can be turned on.
DIST REQUIRES F1 < F2	Valid distance to fault plots require a non-zero frequency span.
DIST REQUIRES CAL	Distance-to-fault measurements cannot be performed with CAL OFF.
NO STORED SWEEP AT THIS LOCATION	Attempting to recall a display from a location that has not been previously written to. That is, the location does not contain stored sweep.
USE OPTIONS MENU TO SELECT A PRINTER	Attempting to print a display with no printer selected. Select a printer, then retry.
DISTANCE AND CABLE INSERTION LOSS MODE ARE INCOMPATIBLE	DTF measurements only display RL or SWR versus distance.



Table 2-3. Range Error Messages (2 of 2)

Error Message	<u>Description</u>
CANNOT ZERO NO DETECTOR INSTALLED	Attempting to perform a Power Monitor zero adjust function with no RF detector connected to the Site Master.
CANNOT ZERO INPUT SIGNAL TOO HIGH	Attempting to perform a Power Monitor zero adjust function with an input of greater than $-20~\mathrm{dBm}$.
POWER MONITOR OPTION NOT INSTALLED	Attempting to enter Power Monitor mode with no Option 5 installed.

InstaCal Error Messages

If an InstaCal module that has not been characterized in more than one year is connected to the Site Master, the follow message will be displayed:

The InstaCal Module Connected, S/N XXXXX Was Characterized more than 1 year ago. Characterization mm/dd/yy Current SiteMaster mm/dd/yy You are advised to return this InstaCal module to the factory for re-characterization. Press ENTER to continue, see manual for details.

Return the InstaCal module to the factory for re-characterization in order to ensure continued accurate measurements.

If the serial number of the connected InstaCal module does not match the serial number stored in the Site Master, the following message is displayed:

The InstaCal characterization data stored in the SiteMaster is for a module different than the one currently connected. SiteMaster contains data for InstaCal module S/N: xxxxx Currently connected InstaCal Module S/N: xxxxx Would you like to overwrite the previously loaded InstaCal characterization?

Press the YES soft key to update the stored InstaCal characterization to use the currently connected module.

Press the NO soft key to keep the stored InstaCal characterization.

A listing of InstaCal error messages is given in Table 2-4.

Table 2-4. InstaCal Error Messages

Error Message	<u>Description</u>
FAILED TO READ SERIAL NUMBER OF INSTACAL MODULE	The Site Master was unable to read the InstaCal module serial number.
FAILED TO SUC- CESSFULLY TRANSFER INSTACAL MOD- ULE DATA TO SITE MASTER	The Site Master was unable to transfer all necessary data between the InstaCal module and the Site Master.
FAILED TO SET BAUD WITH INSTACAL MODULE	The Site Master was unable to establish communication with the InstaCal module.

Battery Information

Charging a New Battery

The NiMH battery supplied with the Site Master has already completed three charge and discharge cycles at the factory and full battery performance should be realized after your first charge.

NOTE: The battery will not charge if the battery temperature is above 45° C or below 0° C.

Charging the Battery in the Site Master

The battery can be charged while installed in the Site Master.

- **Step 1.** Turn the Site Master off.
- **Step 2.** Connect the AC-DC adapter (Anritsu part number: 40-115) to the Site Master charging port.
- **Step 3.** Connect the AC adapter to a 120 VAC or 240 VAC power source as appropriate for your application.

The green external power indicator on the Site Master will illuminate, indicating the presence of external DC power, the battery charge indicator will light, and the battery will begin fast charging. The charging indicator will remain lit as long as the battery is fast charging. Once the battery is fully charged, the fast charging indicator will turn off and a trickle charge will be started to maintain battery capacity. If the battery fails to charge, contact your nearest Anritsu service center.

NOTE: If a battery is excessively discharged, it may require several hours of trickle charging before the charger will allow a fast charge. Switching to fast charge mode is not automatic. You must either cycle the power on and off, or disconnect and reconnect the AC-DC adapter.

Charging the Battery in the Optional Charger

Up to two batteries can be charged simultaneously in the optional battery charger.

- **Step 1.** Remove the NiMH battery from your Site Master and place it in the optional charger (Anritsu part number 2000-1029).
- **Step 2.** Connect the lead from the AC-DC adapter to the charger.
- **Step 3.** Connect the AC-DC adapter to a 120 VAC or 240 VAC power source as appropriate for your application.

Each battery holder in the optional charger has an LED charging status indicator. The LED color changes as the battery is charged:

Red indicates the battery is charging

Green indicates the battery is fully charged

Yellow indicates the battery is in a waiting state (see below).

A yellow light may occur because the battery became too warm during the charge cycle. The charger will allow the battery to cool off before continuing the charge. A yellow light may also indicate that the charger is alternating charge to each of the two batteries.

A blinking red light indicates less than 13 VDC is being supplied to the charger stand. Check that the correct AC charger adapter is connected to the charger stand. If the battery fails to charge, contact your nearest Anritsu Service Center.

Determining Remaining Battery Life

When the AC-DC adapter is unplugged from the Site Master, the battery indicator symbol will be continuously displayed at the top left corner of the Site Master display (Figure 2-9). A totally black bar within the battery icon indicates a fully charged battery. When LOW BATT replaces the battery indicator bar at the top left corner, a couple of minutes of measurement time remains. If a flashing LOW BATT is accompanied by an audio beep at the end of each trace, the battery has approximately one minute of useable time remaining

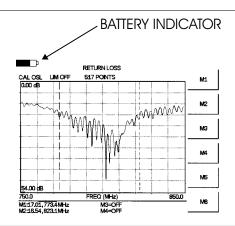


Figure 2-9. Site Master Battery Indicator

Once all the power has drained from the battery, the Site Master display will fade. At this point, your Site Master will switch itself off and the battery will need to be recharged.

During operation, the battery condition can be viewed by pressing the **SYS** key and selecting the SELF TEST soft key. The battery condition will be displayed as a percentage of charge remaining.

SELF TEST

VOLTAGE BATTERY 11.1V

TEMPERATURE 24°C

BATTERY CHARGE = 84%

PRESS ENTER TO CONTINUE

Figure 2-10. Self Test Battery Condition Display

Battery Life

The NiMH battery will last longer and perform better if allowed to completely discharge before recharging. For maximum battery life, it is recommended that the NiMH battery be completely discharged and recharged once every three months.

It is normal for NiMH batteries to self-discharge during storage, and to degrade to 80% of original capacity after 12 months of continuous use.

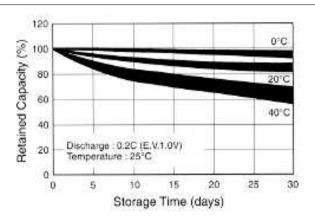


Figure 2-11. NiMH Battery Storage Characteristics

The battery can be charged and discharged 300 to 500 times, but it will eventually wear out. The battery may need to be replaced when the operating time between charging is noticeably shorter than normal.

Important Battery Information

- With a new NiMH battery, full performance is achieved after three to five complete charge and discharge cycles. The NiMH battery supplied with the Site Master has already completed three charge and discharge cycles at the factory.
- Recharge the battery only in the Site Master or in an Anritsu approved charger.
- When the Site Master or the charger is not in use, disconnect it from the power source.
- Do not charge batteries for longer than 24 hours; overcharging may shorten battery life.
- If left unused a fully charged battery will discharge itself over time. Storing the battery in extreme hot or cold places will reduce the capacity and lifetime of the battery. The battery will discharge faster at higher ambient temperatures.
- Discharge an NiMH battery from time to time to improve battery performance and battery life.
- The battery can be charged and discharged hundreds of times, but it will eventually wear out.
- The battery may need to be replaced when the operating time between charging is noticeably shorter than normal.
- If a battery is allowed to totally discharge, the smart-memory capability of the battery may be lost, resulting in incorrect battery capacity readings or loss of communication with the battery.
- Do not short-circuit the battery terminals.
- Do not drop, mutilate or attempt to disassemble the battery.
- Never use a damaged or worn out charger or battery.
- Always use the battery for its intended purpose only.
- Temperature extremes will affect the ability of the battery to charge: allow the battery to cool down or warm up as necessary before use or charging.
- Batteries must be recycled or disposed of properly. Do not place batteries in garbage.
- Do not dispose of batteries in a fire!



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Chapter 3 Getting Started

Introduction

This chapter provides a brief overview of the Anritsu Site Master. The intent of this chapter is to provide the user with a starting point for making basic Return Loss and Spectrum Analyzer measurements. Procedures that are specific to Site Master mode (page 3-2), Spectrum Analyzer mode (page 3-9), and common to both modes (page 3-12) are presented.

Power On Procedure

The Anritsu Site Master is capable of up to 2.5 hours of continuous operation from a fully charged, field-replaceable battery. Built-in energy conservation features allow battery life to be extended over an eight-hour workday.

The Site Master can also be operated from a 12.5 Vdc source (which will also simultaneously charge the battery). This can be achieved with either the Anritsu AC-DC Adapter (P/N 40-115) or 12.5 Vdc Automotive Cigarette Lighter Adapter (P/N 806-62). Both items are included as standard accessories (see Chapter 1).

To power on the Site Master:

Step 1. Press the **ON/OFF** front panel key (Figure 3-1).

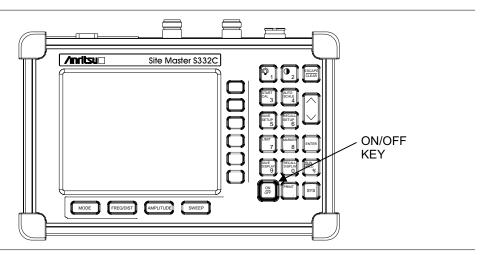


Figure 3-1. Site Master On/Off Key

The Site Master will display the model number, the firmware revision, the temperature and voltage, and then perform a five second self-test. At completion of the self-test, the screen displays a prompt to press **ENTER** to continue. If enter is not pressed, the Site Master will continue after a 5 second timeout:

Step 2. Press **ENTER** to continue.

The Site Master is now ready for operation.

Site Master Mode

Selecting the Frequency or Distance

Regardless of the calibration method used, the frequency range for the desired measurements must be set before calibrating the Site Master. The following procedure selects the frequency range for the calibration.

- **Step 1.** Press the **FREQ/DIST** key.
- **Step 2.** Press the F1 soft key.
- **Step 3.** Enter the desired start frequency using the key pad or the Up/Down arrow key.
- **Step 4.** Press **ENTER** to set F1 to the desired frequency.
- **Step 5.** Press the F2 soft key.
- **Step 6.** Enter the desired stop frequency using the keypad or the Up/Down arrow key.
- **Step 7.** Press **ENTER** to set F2 to the desired frequency.

Check that the start and stop frequencies displayed match the desired measurement range.

Calibration

For accurate results, the Site Master must be calibrated before making any measurements. The Site Master must be re-calibrated whenever the setup frequency changes, the temperature exceeds the calibration temperature range or when the test port extension cable is removed or replaced.

The Site Master may be calibrated manually with Open, Short, Load (OSL) calibration components, or by using the InstaCal module provided with the system.

If a Test Port Extension Cable is to be used, the Site Master must be calibrated with the Test Port Extension Cable in place. The Test Port Extension Cable is a phase stable cable and is used as an extension cable on the test port to ensure accurate and repeatable measurements. This phase stable cable can be moved and bent while making a measurement without causing errors in the measurement.

NOTE: The test port extension cable should have the appropriate connectors for the measurement. Use of additional connector adapters after the test port extension cable can contribute to measurement errors not compensated for during calibration.



Calibration Verification

During the calibration process in Return Loss mode, either with discrete calibration components or with the InstaCal module, there are typical measurement levels expected. Verifying the measurement levels displayed on the screen during calibration can save valuable time in the field.

Trace Characteristics in Return Loss Mode

As the discrete calibration components are connected to the Site Master RF out port, the following measurement levels will be displayed on the screen:

- ☐ When an OPEN is connected, a trace will be displayed between 0-10 dB.
- □ When a SHORT is connected, a trace will be displayed between 0-10 dB.
- □ When a LOAD is connected, a trace will be displayed between 0-50 dB.

When an InstaCal module is connected to the Site Master RF out port, the following measurement levels will be displayed on the screen:

- □ When the Site Master is measuring an equivalent OPEN, a trace will be displayed between 0-20 dB.
- □ When the Site Master is measuring an equivalent SHORT, a trace will be displayed between 0-20 dB.
- □ When the Site Master is measuring an equivalent LOAD, a trace will be displayed between 0-50 dB.

The following procedures explain Manual and InstaCal calibration methods. Refer to Figure 3-2 for a calibration setup diagram.



Manual Calibration Procedure

If the "CAL OFF" message is displayed, or the test port cable has been changed, a new calibration is required. The following procedure details how to perform the calibration.

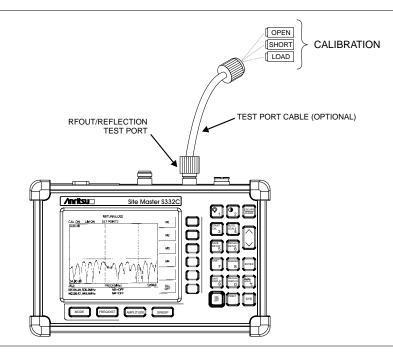


Figure 3-2. Calibration Setup

- **Step 1.** Select the appropriate frequency range, as described in the procedure above.
- **Step 2.** Press the **START CAL** key. The message "CONNECT OPEN or InstaCal TO RF Out PORT" will appear in the display.
- **Step 3.** Connect the calibrated Open and press the **ENTER** key. The messages "Measuring OPEN" and "CONNECT SHORT TO RF Out" will appear.
- **Step 4.** Remove the Open, connect the calibrated Short and press the **ENTER** key. The messages "Measuring SHORT" and "CONNECT LOAD TO RF Out" will appear.
- **Step 5.** Remove the Short, connect the calibrated Termination and press the **ENTER** key. The messages "Measuring LOAD" will appear.
- **Step 6.** Verify that the calibration has been properly performed by checking that the "CAL ON" message is now displayed in the upper left corner of the display.

InstaCal Module Verification

Verifying the InstaCal module before any line sweeping measurements is critical to the measured data. InstaCal module verification identifies any failures in the module due to circuitry damage or failure of the control circuitry. This test does not attempt to characterize the InstaCal module, which is performed at the factory or the service center.

The performance of the InstaCal module can be verified by the Termination method or the Offset method. The termination method is the preferred method in the field, and is similar to testing a bad load against a known good load.

Termination Method

The Termination method compares a precision load against the InstaCal Module and provides a baseline for other field measurements. A precision load provides better than 42 dB directivity.

- **Step 1.** Set the frequency according to the device under test (cellular, PCS, GSM).
- Step 2. Press the MODE key and select FREQ-RETURN LOSS mode.
- **Step 3.** Connect the InstaCal module to the Site Master RF OUT port and calibrate the Site Master using the InstaCal module (page 3-6).
- **Step 4.** Remove the InstaCal module from the RF OUT port and connect the precision load to the RF OUT port.
- **Step 5.** Measure the return loss of the precision load. The level should be less than 35 dB across the calibrated frequency range.
- **Step 6.** Press the **MARKER** key and set the M1 marker to MARKER TO PEAK. The M1 value should be less than 35 dB return loss.
- **Step 7.** Press **SAVE DISPLAY** (page 3-12) name the trace, and press **ENTER**.

Offset Method

An alternative to the termination method is to measure the return loss of a 20 dB offset. This is similar to measuring an antenna that has been specified to have a 20 dB return loss across the frequency of operation. A 20 dB offset provides a 20 dB return loss across a very wide frequency range. Measuring the return loss with the 20 dB offset will provide a relatively flat response across the operating frequency range of the Site Master models (S113C, S114C, S331C, and S332C).

- **Step 1.** Set the frequency according to the device under test (cellular, PCS, GSM).
- **Step 2.** Press the **MODE** key and select FREQ-RETURN LOSS mode.
- **Step 3.** Connect the InstaCal module to the Site Master RF OUT port and calibrate the Site Master using the InstaCal module (page 3-6).
- **Step 4.** Remove the InstaCal module from the RF OUT port and connect the 20 dB Offset to the RF OUT port.
- **Step 5.** Measure the return loss of the 20 dB Offset. The level should be 20 dB, ±2 dB across the calibrated frequency range.
- **Step 6.** Press the **MARKER** key and set the M1 marker to MARKER TO PEAK. The M1 value should be approximately 20 dB return loss.
- **Step 7.** Press **SAVE DISPLAY** (page 3-12) name the trace, and press **ENTER**.



InstaCal Module Calibration Procedure

The InstaCal module automatically calibrates the Site Master using the OSL method.

NOTE: The InstaCal module is not a discrete calibration component and it can not be used at the top of the tower to perform line sweep measurements.

Check that the "CAL OFF" message is displayed in the upper left corner of the display. This indicates that the Site Master has not been calibrated. The following procedure details how to perform the calibration using the InstaCal module.

- **Step 1.** Select the appropriate frequency range, as described in the procedure above.
- **Step 2.** Press the **START CAL** key. The message "CONNECT OPEN or InstaCal TO RF Out PORT" will appear in the display.
- **Step 3.** Connect the InstaCal module to the RF Out port.
- **Step 4.** Press the **ENTER** key. The Site Master senses the InstaCal module and automatically calibrates the unit using the OSL procedure. The calibration should take about 45 seconds.
- **Step 5.** Verify that the calibration has been properly performed by checking that the CAL ON! message is displayed in the upper left corner of the display.

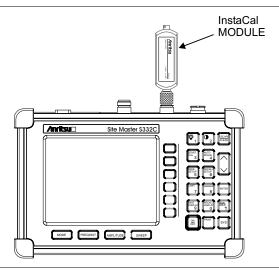


Figure 3-3. InstaCal Module Calibration

Calibration with the Test Port Extension Cable

If a Test Port Extension Cable is to be used, the Site Master must be calibrated with the Test Port Extension Cable in place. Follow the same calibration procedures as above with the OSL components or the InstaCal module in place at the end of the test port extension cable.

Setting the Scale

Auto Scale

The Site Master can automatically set the scales to the minimum and maximum values of the measurement on the y-axis of the display. This function is particularly useful for measurements in SWR mode. To automatically set the scales:

Step 1. Press the **AUTO SCALE** key.

The Site Master will automatically set the top and bottom scales to the minimum and maximum values of the measurement on the y-axis of the display.

Amplitude Scale

The following procedure sets the top and bottom scale display.

- **Step 2.** Press the **AMPLITUDE** key to call up the Scale Menu.
- **Step 3.** Press the TOP soft key and use the keypad or Up/Down arrow key to edit the top scale value.
- **Step 4.** Press the BOTTOM soft key and use the keypad or Up/Down arrow key to edit the bottom scale value.

NOTE: Typically the y-axis scale of the display is 0-54 dB (return loss) but for some measurements (for example, insertion loss) the scale should be changed to 0-10 dB. If the scale is not changed, some measurement results may not be easily displayed on the screen.



Set the Distance and Cable Type

In Distance-To-Fault (DTF) mode, the length of the transmission line (distance) and cable type are selected. The cable type determines the velocity propagation and cable attenuation factor. The following procedure can be used to set the distance and select the appropriate cable type.

NOTE: Selecting the correct cable is very important for accurate measurements and for identifying faults in the transmission line. Selecting the incorrect cable type will shift the DTF trace vertically and horizontally making it difficult to accurately locate faults.

- **Step 1.** Press the **MODE** key.
- **Step 2.** Select DTF RETURN LOSS or DTF SWR mode. The Site Master automatically sets D1 to zero.
- **Step 3.** Press the D2 soft key.
- **Step 4.** Enter the appropriate D2 value for the maximum length of the transmission line and press the **ENTER** key to set the D2 value.
- **Step 5.** Press the DTF AID soft key.

- **Step 6.** Using the Up/Down arrow key, select CABLE TYPE. Standard cable types are stored in the Site Master cable list. This standard list may not be edited. A custom cable list can also be created.
- **Step 7.** Using the Up/Down arrow key, select the appropriate list and select the type of cable. The selected cable type, PROP VEL and CABLE LOSS in dB/ft (or dB/m) will be displayed.
- Step 8. Press ENTER.



Spectrum Analyzer Mode

Selecting Spectrum Analyzer Mode

- **Step 1.** Press the **ON/OFF** key.
- **Step 2.** Press the **MODE** key and use the Up/Down arrow key to select Spectrum Analyzer mode. Press **ENTER** to set the mode.

Making a Measurement

- **Step 1.** Connect the input cable to the **RF In** test port.
- **Step 2.** Locate and display the signal(s) of interest by selecting the desired frequency, span, and amplitude value.

Selecting the Frequency

- **Step 1.** Press the **FREQ/DIST** key to display the Frequency menu.
- **Step 2.** To enter a center frequency, select the CENTER soft key and enter the desired center frequency on the keypad. Select the GHz, MHz, kHz, or Hz softkey to accept the center frequency input.

or

To set a specific frequency band, select the START soft key and enter the desired start frequency on the keypad. Select the GHz, MHz, kHz, or Hz softkey to accept the start frequency input. Then select the STOP soft key and enter the desired stop frequency on the keypad. Select the GHz, MHz, kHz, or Hz softkey to accept the stop frequency input.



Selecting the Span

- **Step 1.** Press the **FREQ/DIST** key to display the Frequency menu.
- **Step 2.** Press the SPAN soft key to display the Span menu.
- **Step 3.** To set a specific span, enter the desired span on the keypad and select the GHz, MHz, kHz, or Hz soft key to accept the input.

or

For a full span, select the FULL soft key. Selecting FULL will override the START and STOP frequencies set above.

or

For a single frequency measurement, select the ZERO soft key.

NOTE: To quickly move the span value up or down, select the SPAN UP 1-2-5 or SPAN DOWN 1-2-5 soft keys. These keys facilitate a zoom-in, zoom-out in a 1-2-5 sequence.

Selecting the Amplitude

- **Step 1.** Press the **AMPLITUDE** key.
- **Step 2.** Press the UNITS soft key and select the desired units from the soft keys presented. Press the BACK soft key to return to the Amplitude menu.

- **Step 3.** Press the REF LEVEL soft key and use the up/down arrow key or directly enter the desired reference level from the keypad. Press **ENTER** to set the amplitude level
- **Step 4.** Press the SCALE soft key and use the up/down arrow key or directly enter the desired scale from the keypad. Press **ENTER** to set the scale.

NOTE: Press the ATTEN soft key and select AUTO coupling of the attenuator setting and the reference level to help insure that harmonics and spurs are not introduced into the measurements. See Attenuator Functions (page) for more information.

Selecting Bandwidth Parameters

Both resolution bandwidth (RBW) and video bandwidth (VBW) can be automatically or manually coupled. Auto coupling of the RBW links the RBW to the span. That is, the wider the span, the wider the RBW. Auto coupling is indicated on the display as RBW XXX. When the RBW is manually coupled, it can be adjusted independently of the span. Manual RBW coupling is indicated on the display as RBW* XXX.

Auto coupling of the VBW links the VBW to the RBW. That is, the wider the RBW, the wider the VBW. Auto coupling is indicated on the display as "VBW XXX". When the VBW is manually coupled, it can be adjusted independently of the RBW. Manual VBW coupling is indicated on the display as "VBW* XXX".

- **Step 1.** Press the **BW/SWEEP** key to display the bandwidth menu.
- **Step 2.** To select the resolution bandwidth, press the RBW soft key.
- **Step 3.** Press AUTO for automatic resolution bandwidth selection, or press MANUAL and use the Up/Down arrow key to select the resolution bandwidth. Press **ENTER** to set the resolution bandwidth. Press the BACK soft key to return to the bandwidth menu
- **Step 4.** To select the video bandwidth, press the VBW soft key.
- **Step 5.** Press AUTO for automatic video bandwidth selection, or press MANUAL and use the Up/Down arrow key to select the video bandwidth. Press **ENTER** to set the video bandwidth.

Selecting Sweep Parameters

Max Hold

To toggle maximum hold ON or OFF, press the MAX HOLD soft key. Maximum hold displays the maximum response of the input signal over multiple sweeps.

Detection Method

Each display point represents some number of measurements combined by a detection method. The number of measurements per display point is affected by the span and the resolution bandwidth. The three available detection methods are Positive Peak, Average, and Negative Peak. Positive peak display the maximum value of all the measurements associated with that display point. Average detection displays the mean of all the measurements associated with that display point. Negative peak displays the minimum value of all the measurements associated with that display point.



To set the detection method, press the DETECTION soft key and select either POSITIVE PEAK, AVERAGE, or NEGATIVE PEAK detection.

Sweep Average

In order to reduce the effects of noise, it may be desirable to average the results of several sweeps and display that average rather than the results of individual sweeps.

To set the number of sweeps to average, press the AVERAGE (1-25) soft key and use the up/down arrow key or directly enter the desired number of sweeps from the keypad. Press **ENTER** to set the sweep average.

NOTE: MAX HOLD and AVERAGE are mutually exclusive.

Adjusting Attenuator Settings

The spectrum analyzer attenuation can be automatically coupled, manually coupled, or dynamically adjusted.

- **Step 1.** Press the **AMPLITUDE** key.
- **Step 2.** Press the ATTEN soft key.
- **Step 3.** Select the soft key corresponding to the desired coupling mode, as described below.

Auto Coupling

Auto coupling of the attenuation links the attenuation to the reference level. That is, the higher the reference level, the higher the attenuation. Auto coupling is indicated on the display as ATTEN XX dB.

Manual Coupling

When manually coupled, the attenuation can be adjusted independently of the reference level. Manual attenuation coupling is indicated on the display as ATTEN* XX dB.

IMPORTANT!

The attenuation should be adjusted such that the maximum signal amplitude at the input mixer is -30 dBm or less. For example, if the reference level is +20 dBm, the attenuation should be 50 dB such that the input signal at the mixer is -30 dBm (+20-50=-30). This prevents signal compression.

Dynamic Attenuation

Dynamic attenuation tracks the input signal level, automatically adjusting the reference level to the peak input signal. When dynamic attenuation is enabled, the attenuation is automatically coupled to the reference level.

Dynamic attenuation is indicated on the display as ATTEN# XX dB.



Site Master and Spectrum Analyzer Modes

Save and Recall a Setup

Saving a Setup

Saving a setup configuration in memory will preserve the calibration information.

- **Step 1.** To save the configuration in one of the 10 available user setup locations, press **SAVE SETUP**.
- **Step 2.** Use the key pad or the Up/Down arrow key to select a location (1 10).
- **Step 3.** Press **ENTER** to save the setup.

NOTE: A manual calibration setup will be saved with an OSL designator. An InstaCal setup will be saved with an ICAL designation.

Recalling a Setup

The following procedure recalls a setup from memory.

- **Step 1.** Press the **RECALL SETUP** key.
- **Step 2.** Select the desired setup using the Up/Down arrow key.
- **Step 3.** Press **ENTER** to recall the setup.

Save and Recall a Display

Saving a Display

The following procedure saves a display to memory.

- **Step 1.** Press the **SAVE DISPLAY** key to activate the alphanumeric menu for trace storage.
- **Step 2.** Use the soft keys to enter a label for the saved trace.

For example, to save a display with the name "TX1 RETURN LOSS" press the soft key group that contains the letter "T" then press the "T" soft key. Press the soft key group that contains the letter "X" then press the "X" soft key. Press the number "1" key on the numeric keypad. Use the softkeys and keypad as necessary to enter the entire name, then press **ENTER** to complete the process.

NOTE: More than one trace can be saved using the same alphanumeric name, as traces are stored chronologically, using the time/date stamp.

Recalling a Display

The following procedure recalls a previously saved display from memory.

- **Step 1.** Press the **RECALL DISPLAY** key.
- **Step 2.** Select the desired display using the Up/Down arrow key.

Step 3. Press **ENTER** to recall the display.

Changing the Units

By default, the Site Master displays information in metric units. Use the following procedure to change the display to English units.

- **Step 1.** Press the **SYS** key.
- Step 2. Select the OPTIONS soft key.
- **Step 3.** Press UNITS to change from metric to English measurement units, or vice versa. The current selection is displayed at the bottom left corner of the screen.

Changing the Display Language

By default, the Site Master displays messages in English. To change the display language:

- **Step 1.** Press the **SYS** key.
- **Step 2.** Select the Language soft key.
- **Step 3.** Select the desired language. Choices are English, French, German, Spanish, Chinese, and Japanese. The default language is English.

Adjusting Markers

- **Step 1.** Press the **MARKER** key to call up the Markers menu.
- **Step 2.** Press the M1 soft key to select the M1 marker function.
- **Step 3.** Press the EDIT soft key and enter an appropriate value using the keypad or Up/Down arrow key. Select the GHz, MHz, kHz, or Hz softkey to accept the marker frequency input. Pressing the **ON/OFF** soft key activates or deactivates the M1 marker function.
- **Step 4.** Press the BACK soft key to return to the Markers Menu.
- **Step 5.** Repeat the steps for markers M2, M3, M4, M5 and M6.

Adjusting Limits

The Site Master offers two types of limits: a single horizontal limit line and segmented limits.

Adjusting a Single Limit

- **Step 1.** Press the **LIMIT** key.
- **Step 2.** Press the SINGLE LIMIT soft key.
- **Step 3.** Press the EDIT soft key.
- **Step 4.** Either enter the value using the numeric keypad or scroll the limit line using the UP/DOWN arrow key.
- **Step 5.** Press **ENTER** to set the location of the limit line.

The single limit line can be defined as either an upper limit or a lower limit.



Defining an UPPER Limit

An upper limit is one where the measurement fails if the data appears ABOVE the limit line.

Press the BEEP AT LEVEL soft key, if necessary, so that the status window says: FAIL IF DATA IS: ABOVE LINE.

Defining a LOWER Limit

A lower limit is one where the measurement fails if the data appears BELOW the limit line.

Press the BEEP AT LEVEL soft key, if necessary, so that the status window says: FAIL IF DATA IS: BELOW LINE.

Adjusting Segmented Limits

Segmented limit lines are defined separately as five upper limit segments and five lower limit segments. This allows the definition of a spectral mask.

A limit segment is defined by its end points. That is, starting frequency, starting amplitude, ending frequency, and ending amplitude. This procedure describes the setting of two upper limit segments. The steps can be carried over to the other upper limit segments as well as to the lower limit segments.

- **Step 1.** Press the **LIMIT** key.
- **Step 2.** Press the MULTIPLE UPPER LIMITS soft key.
- **Step 3.** Press the SEGMENT 1 soft key.
- **Step 4.** Press the EDIT soft key. The status window will display the value of the segment endpoints: ST FREQ, ST LIMIT, END FREQ, END LIMIT. The current parameter is highlighted. When you first press the EDIT soft key, the value of the ST FREQ parameter is highlighted.
- **Step 5.** Either enter the value using the numeric keypad or scroll the limit line using the UP/DOWN arrow key.
- **Step 6.** When editing the start frequency or end frequency, the unit terminator keys (GHz, MHz, kHz, Hz) will appear on the soft keys. Press the appropriate terminator key to continue. The ST LIMIT parameter will now be highlighted.
- **Step 7.** Either enter the value using the numeric keypad or scroll the limit line using the UP/DOWN arrow key.
- **Step 8.** Press the **ENTER** key to continue.
- **Step 9.** Repeat Steps 5 and 6 for the end frequency.
- **Step 10.** Repeat Step 7 for the end limit.
- **Step 11.** Press the NEXT SEGMENT soft key to move on to segment 2 (If the NEXT SEGMENT soft key is not available, press **ENTER**). If the status of segment 2 is OFF, pressing the NEXT SEGMENT soft key will automatically set the start point of segment 2 equal to the end point of segment 1.
- **Step 12.** Repeat Steps 4 through 11 for the remaining segments.
- **Step 13.** When the final segment is defined, press the EDIT soft key again to end the editing process.



NOTE: The Site Master does not allow overlapping limit segments of the same type. That is, two upper limit segments cannot overlap and two lower limit segments cannot overlap.

The Site Master also does not allow vertical limit segments. A limit segment in which the start and end frequencies are the same, but the limit values are different, cannot be specified.

Enabling the Limit Beep

Both limit types can indicate a limit violation by enabling the LIMIT BEEP. An audible "beep" will sound at each data point that violates the defined limit.

- **Step 1.** Press the **LIMIT** key.
- **Step 2.** Press the LIMIT BEEP soft key.

The status window will indicate that the status of the limit beep is ON, and the soft key will remain in the "down" state. Press the LIMIT BEEP soft key again to disable the limit beep.

Adjusting the Display Contrast

The contrast of the Site Master display can be adjusted to accommodate varying light conditions and to help discern traces when using the Trace Overlay feature (see page).

- **Step 1.** Press the contrast key (numeric keypad number 2).
- Step 2. Adjust the contrast using the UP/DOWN arrow key.
- **Step 3.** Press **ENTER** to save the new setting.

Setting the System Language

The Site Master can operate in English, French, German, Spanish, Chinese and Japanese. To select a language:

- **Step 1.** Press the **SYS** key.
- **Step 2.** Press the Language soft key to advance through the available languages. Stop when the desired language is reached.

Setting the System Impedance

The Site Master RF In and RF Out ports both have 50 Ω impedance. The firmware of the Site Master can compensate for a 50 to 75 Ω adapter on the RF In port.

- **Step 1.** Press the **SYS** key.
- **Step 2.** Press the 75 Ω soft key.
- **Step 3.** Press the soft key corresponding to the adapter. The loss of the Anritsu 12N50-75B is pre-programmed, and no further action is required.
- **Step 4.** If an adapter other than the Anritsu 12N50-75B is to be used, press the OTHER ADAPTER OFFSET soft key.
- **Step 5.** Either enter the loss value using the numeric keypad or scroll the value using the UP/DOWN arrow key.
- **Step 6.** Press **ENTER** to set the loss value.



Printing

Printing is accomplished by selecting an available printer and pressing the print key as described below. Refer to the particular printer operating manual for specific printer settings.

Printing a Screen

Step 1. Connect the printer as shown in Figure 3-4.

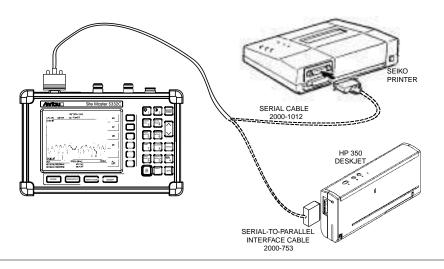


Figure 3-4-. Site Master Printer Setup

- Step 2. Obtain the desired measurement display
- **Step 3.** Press the **SYS** key and the OPTIONS soft key (Figure 3-5).

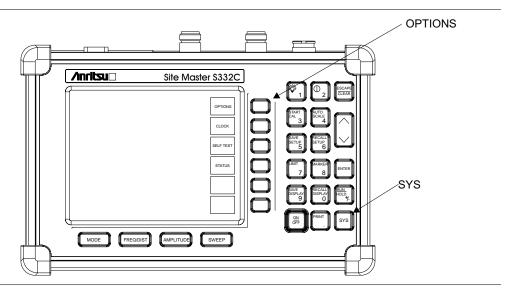


Figure 3-5-. SYS Key and OPTIONS Soft Key

- **Step 4.** Press the PRINTER soft key and select from the displayed menu of supported printers.
- **Step 5.** Press the **PRINT** key. (Figure 3-6).

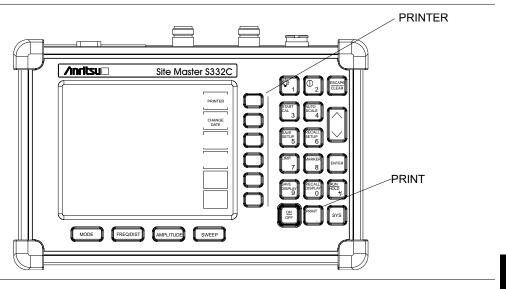


Figure 3-6-. PRINTER Soft Key and PRINT Key

Printer Switch Settings

Set the switches, SW1, SW2, and SW3, on the Seiko DPU-414 thermal printer as follows:

Switch	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u>
SW1	OFF	ON	ON	ON	ON	OFF	ON	ON
SW2	ON	OFF						
SW3	ON	ON	ON	OFF	OFF	ON	ON	ON

Set the switches on the serial-to-parallel interface cable to the HP Deskjet 350 ink jet printer as follows:

SW1	SW2	SW3	SW4	<u>SW5</u>	SW6	SW7	SW8
OFF	ON	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	ON	OFF

Using the Soft Carrying Case

The soft carrying case has been designed such that the strap can be unsnapped to allow the case to be easily oriented horizontally; thus allowing the Anritsu controls to be more easily accessed (Figure 3-7).



Figure 3-7. Using the Site Master Soft Carrying Case

Chapter 4 Cable & Antenna Measurements

Introduction

This chapter provides a description of cable and antenna measurements, including line sweeping fundamentals and line sweeping measurement procedures, available when the Site Master is in frequency or DTF mode.

Line Sweep Fundamentals

In wireless communication, the transmit and receive antennas are connected to the radio through a transmission line. This transmission line is usually a coaxial cable or waveguide. This connection system is referred to as a transmission feed line system. Figure 4-1 shows an example of a typical transmission feed line system.

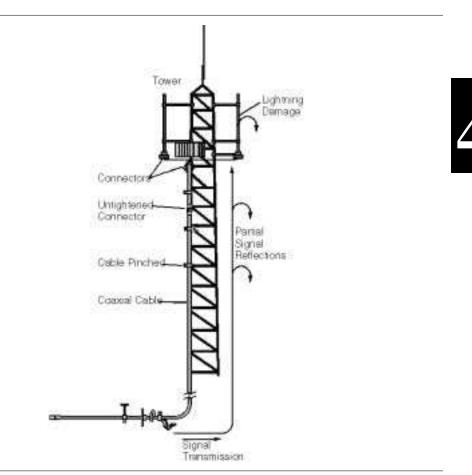


Figure 4-1. A Typical Transmission Feed Line System

The performance of a transmission feed line system may be effected by excessive signal reflection and cable loss. Signal reflection occurs when the RF signal reflects back due to an impedance mismatch or change in impedance caused by excessive kinking or bending of the transmission line. Cable loss is caused by attenuation of the signal as it passes through the transmission line and connectors.

To verify the performance of the transmission feed line system and analyze these problems, three types of line sweeps are required:

Return Loss Measurement—Measures the reflected power of the system in decibels (dB). This measurement can also be taken in the Voltage Standing Wave Ratio (VSWR) mode, which is the ratio of the transmitted power to the reflected power. However, the return loss measurement is typically used for most field applications.

Insertion Loss Measurement—Measures the energy absorbed, or lost, by the transmission line in dB/ft or dB/meter. Different transmission lines have different losses, and the loss is frequency and distance specific. The higher the frequency or longer the distance, the greater the loss.

Distance-To-Fault (DTF) Measurement—Reveals the precise fault location of components in the transmission line system. This test helps to identify specific problems in the system, such as connector transitions, jumpers, kinks in the cable or moisture intrusion.

The different measurements are defined as:

Return Loss - System Sweep—A measurement made when the antenna is connected at the end of the transmission line. This measurement provides an analysis of how the various components of the system are interacting and provides an aggregate return loss of the entire system.

Distance To Fault - Load Sweep—A measurement made with the antenna disconnected and replaced with a 50Ω precision load at the end of the transmission line. This measurement allows analysis of the various components of the transmission feed line system in the DTF mode.

Cable Loss - Insertion Loss Sweep—A measurement made when a short is connected at the end of the transmission line. This condition allows analysis of the signal loss through the transmission line and identifies the problems in the system. High insertion loss in the feed line or jumpers can contribute to poor system performance and loss of coverage.

This whole process of measurements and testing the transmission line system is called Line Sweeping.

Information Required for a Line Sweep

The following information must be determined before attempting a line sweep measurement:

- □ System Frequency Range, to set the sweep frequency
- □ Cable Type, to set the cable characteristics for DTF measurements
- ☐ Distance of the Cable Run, to set the distance for DTF measurements

Typical Line Sweep Test Procedures

This section provides typical line sweep measurements used to analyze the performance of a transmission feed line system.

System Return Loss Measurement

System return loss measurement verifies the performance of the transmission feed line system with the antenna connected at the end of the transmission line. To measure the system return loss:

Required Equipment

- □ Site Master Model S113C, S114C, S331C, or S332C
- Precision Open/Short, Anritsu 22N50 or
 Precision Open/Short/Load, Anritsu OSLN50LF
- ☐ Precision Load, Anritsu SM/PL
- ☐ Test Port Extension Cable, Anritsu 15NNF50-1.5C
- Optional 510-90 Adapter, DC to 7.5 GHz, 50 ohm, 7/16(F)-N(M)
- ☐ Anritsu InstaCal Module, ICN50

Device Under Test

☐ Transmission Feed Line with Antenna

Procedure

- **Step 1.** Press the MODE key.
- Step 2. Select FREQ-RETURN LOSS using the Up/Down arrow key and press ENTER.
- **Step 3.** Set the start and stop frequencies, F1 and F2, as described on page 3-2.
- **Step 4.** Calibrate the Site Master as described on page 3-2.
- **Step 5.** Connect the Device Under Test to the Site Master. A trace will be displayed on the screen when the Site Master is in the sweep mode.
- **Step 6.** Press SAVE DISPLAY (page 3-12) name the trace, and press ENTER.

NOTE: The antenna must be connected at the end of the transmission feed line when conducting a System Return Loss measurement.



Figure 4-2 is an example of a typical system return loss trace:

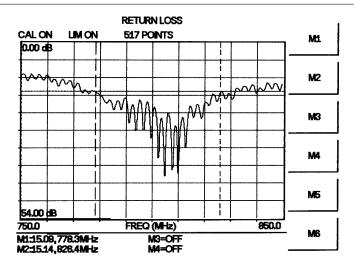


Figure 4-2. Typical System Return Loss Trace

NOTE: The system sweep trace should appear at an approximate return loss of 15 dB (± 3 dB) on the display. In general, a 15 dB return loss is measured in the passband of the antenna system.

Insertion Loss Measurement

The transmission feed line insertion loss test verifies the signal attenuation level of the cable system in reference to the specification. This test can be conducted with the Site Master in either FREQ-CABLE LOSS or FREQ-RETURN LOSS mode. In Cable Loss mode, the Site Master automatically considers the signal traveling in both directions when calculating the insertion loss, making the measurement easier for the user in the field. Both methods are explained below.

Required Equipment

- □ Site Master Model S113C, S114C, S331C, or S332C
- ☐ Precision Open/Short, Anritsu 22N50 *or* Precision Open/Short/Load, Anritsu OSLN50LF
- ☐ Precision Load, Anritsu SM/PL
- ☐ Test Port Extension Cable, Anritsu 15NNF50-1.5C
- □ Optional 510-90 Adapter, DC to 7.5 GHz, 50 ohm, 7/16(F)-N(M)
- ☐ Anritsu InstaCal Module, ICN50

Device Under Test

☐ Transmission Feed Line with Short

Procedure - Cable Loss Mode

- **Step 1.** Press the MODE key.
- Step 2. Select FREQ-CABLE LOSS using the Up/Down arrow key and press ENTER.



- **Step 3.** Set the start and stop frequencies, F1 and F2, as described on page 3-2.
- **Step 4.** Connect the Test Port Extension cable to the RF port and calibrate the Site Master as described on page 3-2.
- **Step 5.** Save the calibration set up (page 3-12).
- **Step 6.** Connect the Device Under Test to the Site Master phase stable Test Port Extension cable. A trace will be displayed on the screen as long as the Site Master is in sweep mode.
- **Step 7.** Press the AMPLITUDE key and set the TOP and BOTTOM values of the display. In the example below, the TOP is set to 2, and the BOTTOM is set to 5.
- **Step 8.** Press the MARKER key.
- Step 9. Set M1 to MARKER TO PEAK.
- Step 10. Set M2 to MARKER TO VALLEY.
- **Step 11.** Calculate the measured insertion loss by averaging M1 (marker to peak) and M2 (marker to valley) as follows:

$$Insertion Loss = \frac{M1 + M2}{2}$$

- Step 12. Press SAVE DISPLAY (page 3-12) name the trace, and press ENTER.
- **Step 13.** Verify the measured insertion loss against the calculated insertion loss. For example:

	Туре	Attenuation (dB/ft)	× Length (ft)	= Loss (dB)
First Jumper	LDF4-50A	0.0325	20	0.65
Main Feeder	LDF5-50A	0.0186	150	2.79
Top Jumper	LDF4-50A	0.0325	10	0.325

Number of connector pairs (3) times the loss per pair (in dB) equals the connector loss: $3 \times 0.14 = 0.42$.

The insertion loss of the transmission system is equal to:

First Jumper loss + Main Feeder Loss + Top Jumper Loss + Connector Loss:

$$0.65 + 2.79 + 0.325 + 0.42 = 4.19 \, dB$$

Figure 4-3 is an example of a typical transmission line cable loss trace.

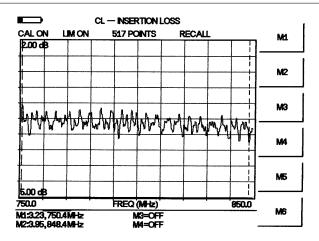


Figure 4-3. Typical Transmission Line Cable Loss Trace

Procedure - Return Loss Mode

- **Step 1.** Press the MODE key.
- Step 2. Select FREQ-RETURN LOSS using the Up/Down arrow key and press ENTER.
- **Step 3.** Set the start and stop frequencies, F1 and F2, as described on page 3-2.
- **Step 4.** Connect the Test Port Extension cable to the RF port and calibrate the Site Master as described on page 3-2.
- **Step 5.** Save the calibration set up (page 3-12).
- **Step 6.** Connect the Device Under Test to the Site Master phase stable Test Port Extension cable. A trace will be displayed on the screen as long as the Site Master is in sweep mode.
- **Step 7.** Press the AMPLITUDE key and set TOP and BOTTOM values of the display. In the example below, the TOP is set to 4, and the BOTTOM is set to 10.
- **Step 8.** Press the MARKER key.
- Step 9. Set M1 to MARKER TO PEAK.
- Step 10. Set M2 to MARKER TO VALLEY.
- **Step 11.** Calculate the insertion loss by averaging M1 (marker to peak) and M2 (marker to valley) and dividing by two as follows:

$$Insertion Loss = \frac{\underline{M1 + M2}}{2}$$

Step 12. Press SAVE DISPLAY (page 3-12) name the trace, and press ENTER.

Figure 4-4 is an example of a typical insertion loss measurement in return loss mode.

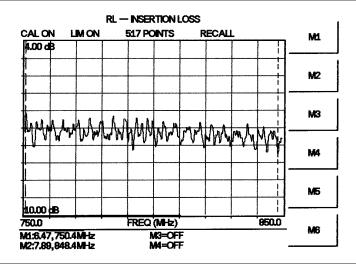


Figure 4-4. Typical Return Loss Trace

Distance-To-Fault (DTF) Transmission Line Test

The Distance-To-Fault transmission line test verifies the performance of the transmission line assembly and its components and identifies the fault locations in the transmission line system. This test determines the return loss value of each connector pair, cable component and cable to identify the problem location. This test can be performed in the DTF–RE-TURN LOSS or DTF–SWR mode. Typically, for field applications, the DTF–RETURN LOSS mode is used. To perform this test, disconnect the antenna and connect the load at the end of the transmission line.

Required Equipment

- □ Site Master Model S113C, S114C, S331C, or S332C
- ☐ Precision Open/Short, Anritsu 22N50 *or* Precision Open/Short/Load, Anritsu OSLN50LF
- ☐ Precision Load, Anritsu SM/PL
- ☐ Test Port Extension Cable, Anritsu 15NNF50-1.5C
- □ Optional 510-90 Adapter, DC to 7.5 GHz, 50 ohm, 7/16(F)-N(M)
- ☐ Anritsu InstaCal Module, ICN50

Device Under Test

☐ Transmission Feed Line with Load

Procedure - Return Loss Mode

The following steps explain how to make a DTF measurement in return loss mode.

- **Step 1.** Press the MODE key.
- **Step 2.** Select DTF-RETURN LOSS using the Up/Down arrow key and press ENTER.
- **Step 3.** Connect the Test Port Extension cable to the RF port and calibrate the Site Master as described on page 3-2.
- **Step 4.** Save the calibration set up (page 3-12).
- **Step 5.** Connect the Device Under Test to the Site Master phase stable Test Port Extension cable. A trace will be displayed on the screen as long as the Site Master is in sweep mode.
- **Step 6.** Press the FREQ/DIST key.
- Step 7. Set the D1 and D2 values. The Site Master default for D1 is zero.
- **Step 8.** Press the DTF AID soft key and select the appropriate CABLE TYPE to set the correct propagation velocity and attenuation factor.

NOTE: Selecting the right propagation velocity, attenuation factor and distance is very important for accurate measurements, otherwise the faults can not be identified accurately and insertion loss will be incorrect.

- **Step 9.** Press SAVE DISPLAY (page 3-12) name the trace, and press ENTER.
- **Step 10.** Record the connector transitions.



Figure 4-5 shows an example of a typical DTF return loss trace.

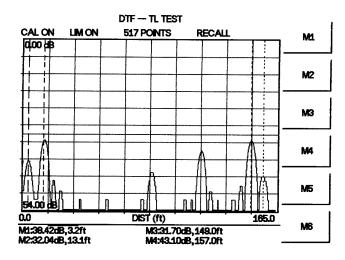


Figure 4-5. Typical DTF Return Loss Trace

In the above example:

- ☐ Marker M1 marks the first connector, the end of the Site Master phase stable Test Port Extension cable.
- ☐ Marker M2 marks the first jumper cable.
- ☐ Marker M3 marks the end of the main feeder cable.
- ☐ Marker M4 is the load at the end of the entire transmission line.

Procedure - DTF-SWR Mode

The following steps explain how to measure DTF in SWR mode.

- **Step 1.** Press the MODE key.
- **Step 2.** Select the DTF-SWR using the Up/Down arrow key and press ENTER.
- **Step 3.** Follow the same procedure as DTF-Return Loss Mode, above.

Resolution

There are three sets of data points (130, 259 and 517) available in the Site Master. The factory default is 259 data points. By increasing the number of data points the measurement accuracy and transmission line distance to measure will increase.

Step size =
$$\frac{(1.5 \times 10^8)(Vp)}{\Delta F}$$

Where V_p is the relative propagation velocity of the cable and ΔF is the stop frequency minus the start frequency (Hz).

The maximum distance is: $D_{max} = \text{step size} \times (\# \text{ of datapoints} - 1)$

Increasing the data points increases the sweep time and increases the accuracy of the measurement.

Antenna Subsystem Return Loss Test

Antenna Subsystem return loss measurement verifies the performance of the transmit and receive antennas. This measurement can be used to analyze the performance of the antenna before installation. The antenna can be tested for the entire frequency band, or tested to a specific frequency range. Transmit and receive frequency measurements are conducted separately. The following steps explain how to measure the antenna loss in return loss mode.

Required Equipment

- □ Site Master Model S113C, S114C, S331C, or S332C
- ☐ Precision Open/Short, Anritsu 22N50 or Precision Open/Short/Load, Anritsu OSLN50LF
- □ Precision Load, Anritsu SM/PL
- ☐ Test Port Extension Cable, Anritsu 15NNF50-1.5C
- □ Optional 510-90 Adapter, DC to 7.5 GHz, 50 ohm, 7/16(F)-N(M)
- ☐ Anritsu InstaCal Module, ICN50

Device Under Test

□ Antenna Sub Assembly

Procedure

- **Step 1.** Press the MODE key.
- **Step 2.** Select FREQ-RETURN LOSS using the Up/Down arrow key and press ENTER.
- **Step 3.** Connect the Test Port Extension cable to the RF port and calibrate the Site Master as described on page 3-2.
- **Step 4.** Press SAVE SETUP and save the calibration set up (page 3-12).
- **Step 5.** Connect the Device Under Test to the Site Master phase stable Test Port Extension cable.
- **Step 6.** Press the MARKER key.
- **Step 7.** Set markers M1 and M2 to the desired frequency.
- **Step 8.** Record the lowest return loss over the specified frequency.
- **Step 9.** Press SAVE DISPLAY (page 3-12) name the trace, and press ENTER.



The following trace is an example of an antenna return loss trace.

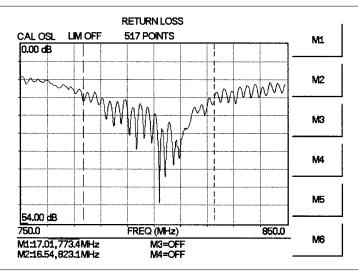


Figure 4-6. Antenna Return Loss Trace

Calculate the threshold value and compare the recorded Lowest Return Loss to the calculated threshold value.

Maximum Return Loss =
$$\frac{-20 \log (VSWR - 1)}{(VSWR + 1)}$$

NOTE: VSWR is the antenna manufacturer's specified VSWR.

If the measured return loss is less than the calculated threshold value, the test fails and the antenna must be replaced.



Chapter 5 Spectrum Analyzer Measurements

Spectrum Analyzer Fundamentals

Advanced measurements require the use of additional spectrum analyzer functions beyond frequency, span, amplitude and marker functions. In particular, this section will focus on resolution bandwidth, video bandwidth, sweep, and attenuator functions.

Effect of Resolution Bandwidth

Resolution Bandwidth is determined by the intermediate frequency (IF) filter bandwidth. The spectrum analyzer traces the shape of its IF filter as it tunes past a signal. If more than one IF filter is used in a spectrum analyzer, the narrowest one dominates and is considered the resolution bandwidth.

The choice of resolution bandwidth depends on several factors. Filters take time to settle. That is, when a signal first appears at the input of the filter, it will take a while before the signal appears at the output. Additionally, the output of the filter will take some time to settle to the correct value, so that it can be measured. The narrower the filter bandwidth (resolution bandwidth) the longer the settling time.

The choice of resolution bandwidth will depend on the signal being measured. If two signals are to be measured individually, then a narrow bandwidth is required. If a wider bandwidth is used, then the energy of both signals will be included in the measurement. Thus, the wider bandwidth does not have the ability to look at frequencies selectively but instead must measure across their entire frequency range at all times.

Therefore, a broadband measurement would include the fundamental frequency, harmonics, spurious responses, and noise in the measurement. On the other hand a narrow-band measurement will filter out all but the desired frequency components, resulting in a measurement that includes only the fundamental. There are advantages to each. The ultimate decision will be dependent on the type of measurement required by the user.

There is always some amount of noise present in a measurement. Noise is often broadband in nature; that is, it exists at a broad range of frequencies in the frequency domain. If the noise is included in the measurement, the measured value will be in error (too large) depending on the noise level. With a wide bandwidth, more noise is included in the measurement. With a narrow bandwidth, very little noise enters the resolution bandwidth filter, and the measurement is more accurate. If the resolution bandwidth is narrower, the noise floor will drop on the display of the spectrum analyzer. This is because the IF filter of the analyzer has been made narrower in bandwidth, which lets in less noise. As the measured noise level drops, smaller signals that were previously obscured by the noise can now be measured. As a general rule of thumb, most field spectrum analyzer measurements are made at a resolution bandwidth of 30 kHz.

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Effect of Video Bandwidth

Spectrum analyzers typically use another type of filtering after the detector called VIDEO FILTERING. This filter also affects the noise on the display but in a different manner than the resolution bandwidth. In video filtering, the average level of the noise remains the same but the variation in the noise is reduced. Hence, the effect of video filtering is a "smoothing" of the signal noise. The resultant effect on the analyzer's display is that the noise floor compresses into a thinner trace, while the position of the trace remains the same. Thus, changing the video bandwidth (VBW) does not improve sensitivity; however, it does improve discernability and repeatability when making low-level measurements.

As a general rule of thumb, most field spectrum analyzer measurements are made at a video bandwidth that is a factor of 10 to 100 less than the resolution bandwidth. Thus, for a resolution bandwidth of 30 kHz, the typical video bandwidth setting options are either 3 kHz or 300 Hz.

Sweep Limitations

With some spectrum analyzers, the user has control over sweep time (the elapsed time of each sweep, sometimes called scan time). The analyzer cannot be swept arbitrarily fast while maintaining its specified accuracy, but will have a sweep rate limitation depending on the resolution bandwidth, video bandwidth, and frequency range selected. The sweep rate is not usually chosen by the user but is determined by the frequency range swept divided by the sweep time.

The limitation on sweep rate comes from the settling or response time of the resolution and video bandwidth filters. If an analyzer is swept very quickly, the filters do not have time to respond, and the measurement is inaccurate. Under such conditions, the analyzer display tends to have a "smeared" look to it, with the spectral lines being wider than normal and shifted to the right.

Fortunately, the Anritsu Hand Held Spectrum Analyzer has mechanisms designed into it that unburden the user from having to calculate the sweep rate.

When changing the RBW and VBW, the sweep rate will change accordingly. The sweep rate will be faster for a wide RBW or VBW and slower for a narrow RBW or VBW.

Attenuator Functions

Attenuation adjusts the hand held spectrum analyzer input attenuator. In AUTO mode, as the reference level is increased, the attenuation is increased. In manual (MANUAL) mode, the input attenuation can be adjusted by using the Up/down arrow key. The attenuator range is 0 to 50 dB, in 10 dB steps.

IMPORTANT! Attenuation is normally a coupled function and is automatically adjusted when the reference level changes. The reference level will not change however, when the attenuator changes. The attenuator should be adjusted so that the maximum signal amplitude at the input mixer is -30 dBm or less. For example, if the reference level is +20 dBm, the attenuation should be 50 dB for an input signal of -30 dBm at the mixer (+20-50=-30). This prevents signal compression.



Site Master Spectrum Analyzer Features

AM/FM Modulation

Modulation is the process of translating some low frequency or baseband signal (voice, music, or data) to a higher frequency. In the modulation process, some characteristic of a carrier signal (usually amplitude or frequency) is changed in direct proportion to the instantaneous amplitude of the baseband signal.

The following procedure describes how to measure signals with AM and FM types of modulation. It shows how to tune the signal on the spectrum analyzer display.

Amplitude Modulation

Step 1. Reset the Site Master to the factory default settings if a known starting state is desired.

If the unit is off, hold down the **ESC/CLEAR** key while pressing the **ON/OFF** key.

If the unit is already on, press the **RECALL SETUP** key on the data keypad. When the key is pressed, a Recall Trace selection box appears on the display. Select setup location 0 to recall the factory preset state.

- Step 2. Connect a signal source to the spectrum analyzer input.
- **Step 3.** Set the source to a carrier frequency of 100 MHz, –25 dBm, with an amplitude modulation of about 35 kHz at 10% modulation.
- **Step 4.** Set the spectrum analyzer center frequency to 100 MHz. Set the span to 500 kHz.
- **Step 5.** To determine the frequency of the carrier, press the **MARKER** key and M1 soft key. Then press the MARKER TO PEAK soft key to automatically turn marker M1 on and set it to the center frequency.

Additional modulation information can be determined from the carrier signal and sideband. For example, the difference between the carrier frequency and the sideband frequency can be found by pressing turning on and positioning Marker M2 over an upper or lower sideband frequency and pressing the DELTA (M2-M1) soft key. Figure 5-1 shows the modulating frequency of 35 kHz as the value of delta Marker 2.

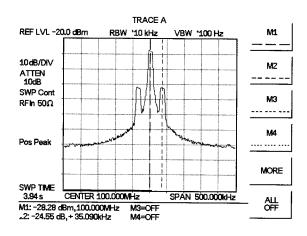


Figure 5-1. Amplitude Modulation

The markers read the frequency difference between the two signals, which is equal to the modulating frequency. The marker also reads the difference in amplitude. This difference in amplitude between the two signals can be used to determine the percentage of modulation. Use the following formula to calculate the percentage of modulation:

$$E_{SB}(dB) - E_C(dB) = 20\log \frac{m}{2}$$

Where $E_{SB}(dB)$ is the energy in the sidebands in dB, $E_C(dB)$ is the energy in the carrier in dB, and m is the degree of modulation (multiply by 100 to get the percentage).

NOTE: Unequal amplitudes of the lower and upper sidebands indicate incidental FM on the input signal. Incidental FM can reduce the accuracy of percentage-of-modulation measurements.

Frequency Modulation

This section contains general information about frequency modulation, and an example of using the Site Master to display a FM signal.

Frequency modulations are generated when a modulating signal, fmod, causes an instantaneous frequency deviation of the modulated carrier. The peak frequency deviation, Δf peak, is proportional to the instantaneous amplitude of fmod, and the rate of deviation is proportional to the frequency of the fmod.

The FM index,
$$\beta$$
, is defined as:
$$\beta = \frac{\Delta fpeak}{f \text{ mod}}$$

In general, the spectrum analyzer is a very useful tool for measuring Δf peak and β adjustments of FM transmitters. FM is composed of an infinite number of sidebands. In practice, the spectrum of a FM signal is not infinite. The side band amplitudes become negligibly small beyond a certain frequency offset for the carrier, depending on the value of β .

To demonstrate the properties of an FM signal, we will use a carrier frequency of 100 MHz and test for FM deviation accuracy at 25 kHz. With a β value of 2, we need a 50 kHz modulating signal.

- **Step 1.** Connect the FM signal source to the input of the Site Master.
- **Step 2.** Set the reference level to 0 dBm.
- **Step 3.** Set the attenuation coupling to AUTO.
- **Step 4.** On the signal source, set the carrier frequency to 100 MHz, modulating frequency to 50 kHz, carrier power to –10 dBm, and deviation to 25 kHz.
- **Step 5.** Set the center frequency of the Site Master to 100 MHz, span to 500 kHz, resolution bandwidth to 10 kHz, and video bandwidth to 1 kHz.

You will see a carrier signal at 100 MHz and 3 sidebands on each side (Figure 5-2). The side bands are separated by 50 kHz (shown by the value of Δ M2), which is the *f*mod.

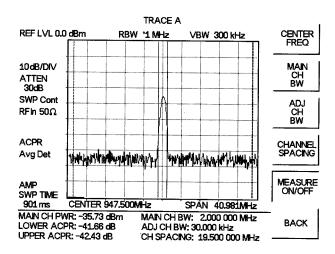


Figure 5-2. GSM Adjacent Channel Power Measurement

Field Strength Measurements

All antennas have loss or gain that can cause errors in measurements. The Site Master can correct for antenna loss or gain errors using Field Strength Measurements.

The antenna factors must be uploaded to the Site Master using the Anritsu Software Tools provided with the unit. These antenna factors can then be used to correct for the measurement error.

- **Step 1.** Enter the antenna factor information for the specific antenna into the antenna editor of the Software Tools (see page 7-7).
- **Step 2.** On the Site Master, press the **MODE** key.
- **Step 3.** Use the Up/Down arrow key to select the Spectrum Analyzer mode and press **ENTER**.
- Step 4. Upload the antenna factors to the Site Master.
- **Step 5.** Press the **SWEEP** key and select the MEASURE soft key.
- **Step 6.** Select the FIELD STRENGTH soft key from the measurement menu.
- **Step 7.** Press the SELECT ANTENNA soft key and use the Up/Down arrow key to select the desired antenna factor file. Press the **ENTER** key to select.

The Site Master will now automatically adjust the measurement results based on the antenna factors entered. A FIELD STR icon appears to the left of the graph, and the antenna name appears in the title bar at the top. All marker values are displayed in V/m.

Figure 5-3 shows the results of a measurement.

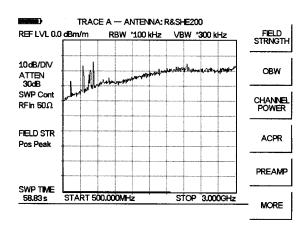


Figure 5-3. Field Strength Measurements



Creating a Spectral Mask

Quick go/no-go measurements can be performed by establishing test limits. When using test limits, the user is able to quickly identify signals exceeding established limits as failing. To aid users in establishing limits, the Anritsu Site Master features both single limit and multiple limit functions.

Example

Step 1. Reset the Site Master to the factory default settings if a known starting state is desired.

If the unit is off, hold down the **ESC/CLEAR** key while pressing the **ON/OFF** key.

- **Step 2.** Connect a signal source to the Anritsu Site Master spectrum analyzer.
- **Step 3.** Set attenuator coupling to AUTO.
- **Step 4.** Set the Reference Level to 0 dBm.
- Step 5. Set the scale to 10 dB/div.
- **Step 6.** Set the signal source frequency to 900 MHz and the signal level to 20 dBm.
- **Step 7.** Set the Site Master center frequency at 900 MHz, the span to 20 MHz, resolution bandwidth to 30 kHz, and video bandwidth to 300 Hz.
- **Step 8.** Press **LIMIT** and select MULTIPLE UPPER LIMITS using the appropriate softkey.
- **Step 9.** Select SEGMENT 1 using the appropriate softkey, press EDIT and enter the start frequency, start limit, end frequency, and end limit as prompted in the message area. The span is ten divisions wide; therefore divide the span by 10 to determine the span per division and desired starting point.) Enter start frequency = 890 MHz, start limit = -40, end frequency = 898 MHz, end limit = -40.
- **Step 10.** Press the NEXT SEGMENT soft key. The starting point of segment 2 will automatically be set equal to the ending point of segment 1. Press EDIT and enter the start frequency, start limit, end frequency, and end limit as prompted in the message area. Enter start frequency = 898 MHz, start limit = -40, end frequency = 899 MHz, end limit = -10.
- **Step 11.** Press the NEXT SEGMENT soft key. The starting point of segment 3 will automatically be set equal to the ending point of segment 2. Press EDIT and enter the start frequency, start limit, end frequency, and end limit as prompted in the message area. Enter start frequency = 899 MHz, start limit = -10, end frequency = 901 MHz, end limit = -10.
- **Step 12.** Press the NEXT SEGMENT soft key. The starting point of segment 4 will automatically be set equal to the ending point of segment 3. Press EDIT and enter the start frequency, start limit, end frequency, and end limit as prompted in the message area. Enter start frequency = 901 MHz, start limit = -10, end frequency = 902 MHz, end limit = -40.

Step 13. Press the NEXT SEGMENT soft key. The starting point of segment 5 will automatically be set equal to the ending point of segment 4. Press EDIT and enter the start frequency, start limit, end frequency, and end limit as prompted in the message area. Enter start frequency = 902 MHz, start limit = -40, end frequency = 910 MHz, end limit = -40 and press EDIT when done.

Figure 5-4 shows the resulting display. The mask created in this example serves as an upper bound on the measurement results. Any of the data points appearing above the line indicates a failed measurement.

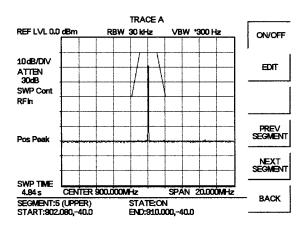


Figure 5-4. Creating a Spectral Mask

Trace Overlay

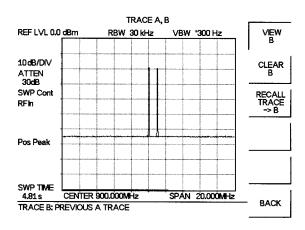
The Site Master can be used to compare frequency spectrums.

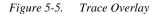
Example:

- **Step 1.** Reset the Site Master to the factory default settings if a known starting state is desired.
 - If the unit is off, hold down the **ESC/CLEAR** key while pressing the **ON/OFF** key. If the unit is already on, press the **RECALL SETUP** key on the data keypad. When the key is pressed, a Recall Trace selection box appears on the display. Select setup location 0 to recall the factory preset state.
- **Step 2.** Connect a signal source to the Anritsu Site Master spectrum analyzer.
- **Step 3.** Set the signal source frequency to 900 MHz and the signal level to -20 dBm.
- **Step 4.** Set the center frequency at 900 MHz, resolution bandwidth to 30 kHz, video bandwidth to 300 Hz, and the span to 20 MHz.
- **Step 5.** Press the **SWEEP** key and select the TRACE soft key.
- **Step 6.** Select the $A \rightarrow B$ soft key to save the current runtime trace to the Trace B buffer.
- **Step 7.** Set the input frequency to 901 MHz and the signal level to -20 dB.
- **Step 8.** Press the TRACE B soft key to go to the Trace B menu.
- **Step 9.** Select the VIEW B soft key to view the traces simultaneously.

NOTE: Trace A is displayed as a black trace and Trace B is displayed as a gray trace. Some adjustment of the display contrast (see page 2-5) may be required for optimal viewing.

Figure 5-5 shows the resulting display. Note that the title bar shows both traces.





Occupied Bandwidth

A common measurement performed on radio transmitters is that of occupied bandwidth (OBW). This measurement calculates the bandwidth containing the total integrated power occupied in a given signal bandwidth. There are two different methods of calculation depending on the technique to modulate the carrier.

Percent of Power Method

The occupied frequency bandwidth is calculated as the bandwidth containing the specified percentage of the transmitted power.

XdB Down Method

The occupied frequency bandwidth is defined as the bandwidth between the upper and lower frequency points at which the signal level is XdB below the peak carrier level.

Required Equipment

Site Master S114C/S332C
30 dB, 50 watt, Bi-Directional, DC – 18 GHz, $N(m)$ – $N(f)$, Attenuator, Anritsu 42N50A-30
Test Port extension cable, Anritsu 15NNF50 – 1.5C

Procedure

Step 1. Reset the Site Master to the factory default settings if a known starting state is desired.

If the unit is off, hold down the **ESC/CLEAR** key while pressing the **ON/OFF** key.

- **Step 2.** Using the test port extension cable and 30 dB, 50 watt, Bi-directional attenuator, connect the Site Master to appropriate transmit test port.
- **Step 3.** If the Site Master is not currently in Spectrum Analyzer mode, press the **MODE** key, scroll to SPECTRUM ANALYZER mode, and press **ENTER**.
- **Step 4.** Press the **FREQ/DIST** key, select the CENTER soft key and enter the center frequency of the measurement using the keypad. Select the GHz, MHz, kHz, or Hz softkey to accept the center frequency input.
- Step 5. Press the AMPLITUDE key and select the REF LEVEL soft key to set the appropriate reference level. See the table below for recommended settings for CW and CDMA signals.
- **Step 6.** Select the ATTEN soft key to set the input attenuation level. See the table below for recommended settings for CW and CDMA signals.
- **Step 7.** Press the **SWEEP** key and select the RBW and VBW soft keys to set the resolution bandwidth and video bandwidth. See the table below for recommended settings for CW and CDMA signals.



	CW	IS-95 CDMA
Reference Level	–15 dBm	−10 dBm
Input Attenuation Level	Auto	Auto
Resolution Bandwidth	Auto	10 kHz
Video Bandwidth	Auto	30 kHz

- **Step 8.** Press the **MEASURE** key and press the OBW soft key. Select the measurement method (dB Down or % of Power) by pressing the METHOD soft key. The currently selected method is shown in the lower left of the display.
- **Step 9.** Press the dBc or % soft keys to adjust the settings as appropriate.
- **Step 10.** Press the MEASURE ON/OFF soft key to initiate the measurement. OBW will appear to the left of the graph when the occupied bandwidth measurement is on.

Figure 5-6 shows the occupied bandwidth results using the % of power method on a CDMA signal.

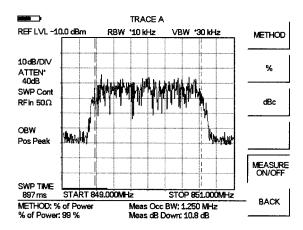


Figure 5-6. Occupied Bandwidth

When the occupied bandwidth measurement is on, an OBW icon appears to the left of the display. Occupied bandwidth is calculated at the end of a sweep. An hourglass is displayed as the calculations are performed.

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Channel Power Measurement

Channel power measurement is one of most common measurements for a radio transmitter. This test measures the output power, or channel power, of a transmitter over the frequency range in a specific time interval. Out-of-specification power measurements indicate system faults, which can be in the power amplifiers and in filter circuits. Channel Power measurements can be used to:

Validate transmitter performance
Comply with FCC regulations
Keep overall system interference at a minimum

The following section describes a GSM Channel Power measurement as an example.

GSM Channel Power Measurement

Global Systems for Mobile (GSM) communication is a globally accepted standard for digital cellular communication. There are two frequency bands allocated to GSM mobile phones, one at 900 MHz, and the other at 1800 MHz. GSM uses a combination of Frequency Division Multiple Access (FDMA) and Time Division Multiple Access (TDMA). Within each band are approximately one hundred available carrier frequencies on 200 kHz spacing (FDMA), and each carrier is broken up into time-slots so as to support eight separate conversations (TDMA). Each channel has an uplink and a downlink, 80 MHz apart. GSM uses the Gaussian Minimum Shift Keying (GMSK) modulation method.

Due to the nature of TDMA, GSM transmitters ramp RF power rapidly. If the transmitter keys on too quickly, users on different frequencies, especially those close to the channel of interest will experience significant interference. This is one of the reasons that spurious measurements are extensively used in GSM applications.

To make accurate and repeatable GSM measurements, there are a few simple rules to follow:

	The resolution bandwidth of the Site Master should be set to 1.0 MHz to cover the wide GSM band.
	The video bandwidth must be set to 100 kHz or greater to obtain the details of multiple channels in the GSM band.
П	Max Hold on the Site Master should be set to ON.

NOTE: When Max Hold is on, the Site Master automatically turns the sweep averaging function off.

Required Equipment

Site Master S114C/S332C
30 dB, 50 Watt, bi-directional, DC -18 GHz, N(m) $-$ N(f), Attenuator Anritsu $42N50A-30$
Test Port extension cable. Anritsu 15NNF50 – 1.5C

Procedure

Step 1. Reset the Site Master to the factory default settings if a known starting state is desired.

If the unit is off, hold down the **ESC/CLEAR** key while pressing the **ON/OFF** key.

- **Step 2.** Using the test port extension cable and 30 dB attenuator, connect the signal source to the input of the attenuator, and connect the output of the attenuator to the RF In test port of the Site Master.
- **Step 3.** Press the **AMPLITUDE** key and select the REF LEVEL soft key to set the reference level to 0 dBm.
- **Step 4.** Press the SCALE soft key and set the scale to 10 dB/division.
- **Step 5.** Press the ATTEN soft key followed by the MANUAL soft key and set the attenuation to 20 dB.
- **Step 6.** Press the **SWEEP** key and select the RBW and VBW soft keys to set the resolution bandwidth to 1 MHz and the video bandwidth to AUTO.
- **Step 7.** Press the MAX HOLD soft key to set max hold to ON as indicated in the lower left of the display.
- **Step 8.** Press the MEASURE soft key and press the CHANNEL POWER soft key.
- **Step 9.** Select the CENTER FREQ soft key and set the center frequency of the GSM signal to 947.5 MHz.
- **Step 10.** Select the INT BW soft key and enter 2.0 MHz for the integration bandwidth, or set the integration bandwidth appropriate for the particular application.
- **Step 11.** Select the CHANNEL SPAN soft key and enter 4.0 MHz as the channel span, or set the channel span to a value appropriate for the particular application.
- **Step 12.** Make the measurement by pressing the MEASURE ON/OFF soft key. The detection method is automatically changed to Average. Solid vertical lines are drawn on the display to indicate the integration bandwidth. The Site Master will display the measurement results.



Figure 5-7 shows the results of the measurement using a GSM signal source with an output power level of -35 dBm.

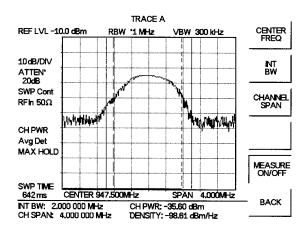


Figure 5-7. GSM Channel Power Measurement

When the channel power measurement is on, a CH PWR icon appears to the left of the display. Channel power is calculated at the end of a sweep. An hourglass is displayed as the calculations are performed.

NOTE: The channel span must be set equal to or larger than the integration bandwidth. If not, Site Master will set the channel span equal to the integration span. When the integration bandwidth and channel span are set to the same value, the Site Master uses all the sampling points for integration, providing the most accurate measurements. The ratio of the integration bandwidth to channel span is kept constant. When the integration bandwidth is changed, the ratio remains the same. The ratio can be changed by changing the channel span. For example, when the integration bandwidth is doubled, the Site Master will double the channel span.

Adjacent Channel Power Ratio

Another common transmitter measurement is that of adjacent channel leakage power. This is defined as the ratio of the amount of leakage power in an adjacent channel to the total transmitted power in the main channel. This measurement can be used to replace the traditional two-tone intermodulation distortion (IMD) test for system non-linear behavior.

The result of an ACPR measurement can be expressed either as a power ratio or a power density. In order to calculate the upper and lower adjacent channel values, the Site Master requires the specification of four parameters:

Main Channel Center Frequency
Measurement Channel Bandwidth
Adjacent Channel Bandwidth
Channel Spacing

GSM Adjacent Channel Power Measurement

Required Equipment

Site Master S114C/S332C
30 dB, 50 watt, Bi-Directional, DC – 18 GHz, $N(m)$ – $N(f)$, Attenuator Anritsu 42N50A-30
Test Port extension cable, Anritsu 15NNF50 – 1.5C

Procedure

Step 1. Reset the Site Master to the factory default settings if a known starting state is desired.

If the unit is off, hold down the **ESC/CLEAR** key while pressing the **ON/OFF** key.

- **Step 2.** Using the test port extension cable and 30 dB attenuator, connect the signal source to the input of the attenuator, and connect the output of the attenuator to the RF In test port of the Site Master.
- **Step 3.** Press the **AMPLITUDE** key and select the REF LEVEL soft key to set the reference level to 0 dBm.
- **Step 4.** Press the ATTEN soft key and set the attenuation to AUTO.
- **Step 5.** Press the **SWEEP** key and select the RBW and VBW soft keys to set the resolution bandwidth to 1 MHz and the video bandwidth to AUTO.
- **Step 6.** Press the MAX HOLD soft key to set max hold to ON as indicated in the lower left of the display.
- **Step 7.** Press the MEASURE soft key and press the ACPR soft key.
- **Step 8.** Select the CENTER FREQ soft key, and enter 945.7 MHz or another desired center frequency.



- **Step 9.** Select the MAIN CHANNEL BW soft key, and enter the main channel bandwidth. For the GSM signal, enter 2.0 MHz.
- **Step 10.** Select the ADJ CHANNEL BW soft key, and enter the adjacent channel bandwidth. For the GSM signal, enter 30 kHz.
- **Step 11.** Select the CHANNEL SPACING soft key, and enter the channel spacing. For the GSM signal, enter 19.5 MHz.
- **Step 12.** Make the measurement by pressing the MEASURE ON/OFF soft key. The detection method is automatically changed to Average. Solid vertical lines are drawn on the display to indicate the main channel. Dashed vertical lines define the adjacent channels. The Site Master will display the measurement results.

Figure 5-8 shows the results of the measurement using a GSM signal source with an output power level of -35 dBm.

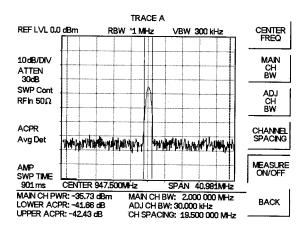


Figure 5-8. GSM Adjacent Channel Power Measurement



Adjacent Channel Power Ratio is a constant measurement. Once it is turned on, it will remain on until it is turned off by pressing the MEASURE ON/OFF key again. When the ACPR measurement is on, an ACPR icon appears to the left of the display. ACPR is calculated at the end of a sweep. An hourglass is displayed as the calculations are performed.

Measurement Applications

Resolving Closely Spaced Signals

Signal resolution is determined by the intermediate frequency (IF) filter bandwidth. The hand held spectrum analyzer, as do conventional spectrum analyzers, traces the shape of its IF filter as it tunes past a signal. Thus, if two equal-amplitude signals are close enough in frequency, the filter shapes for the two signals can fall on top of one another and appear as a single response. Conversely, if two signals are not equal in amplitude but are still close together, the smaller signal can be hidden under the response of the larger one.

Measurement of Two Signals Having Equal Amplitudes

To resolve two signals of equal amplitude, the resolution bandwidth must be less than or equal to the frequency separation of the two signals. For example, to resolve two signals of equal amplitude with a frequency separation of 30 kHz, a resolution bandwidth of 30 kHz or less should be used. However, most spectrum analyzer IF filter bandwidths are not exact, varying by as much as \pm 20%. This should be taken into consideration whenever testing for closely spaced signals. Thus, you may want to select the resolution bandwidth within the lower end of the specification (i.e., -20%, or 24 kHz) to ensure accurate measurements on two signals spaced to within 30 kHz. In this case the next smallest resolution bandwidth would be 10 kHz.

Example

Connect two signal sources to the spectrum analyzer input through a signal combiner/splitter and set the frequency of one source to 900.0 MHz and the other source to 900.030 MHz. Set both sources to the same amplitude, preferably –20 dBm. On the Site Master:

- **Step 1.** Set attenuator coupling to AUTO.
- Step 2. Set the Reference Level to -10 dBm.
- **Step 3.** Set the scale to 10 dB/div.
- **Step 4.** Set the span to 300 kHz and the center frequency to 900 MHz.
- **Step 5.** Set the resolution bandwidth to 30 kHz and the video bandwidth to 1 kHz.

It should be difficult to discern the presence of two signals. Figure 5-9. shows the results of the example using a signal combiner/splitter with a loss of 6 dB.

Step 6. Change the resolution bandwidth to 10 kHz.

Figure 5-10 shows the results after changing the RBW using a signal combiner/splitter with a loss of 6 dB.



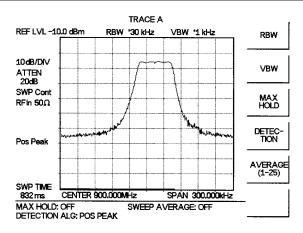


Figure 5-9. Measurement of Two Signals Having Equal Amplitudes , RBW = 30 kHz

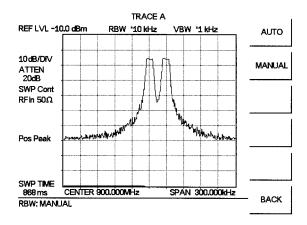


Figure 5-10. Measurement of Two Signals Having Equal Amplitudes, RBW = 10 kHz

Remember, the resolution bandwidth must be equal to or less than the frequency separation of the signal. Therefore, a 10 kHz resolution bandwidth must be used. The next larger filter, 30 kHz, containing some variation, would not resolve the two signals. Also, keep in mind that noise side-bands (phase noise) can also affect resolution.

Measurement of Two Signals Having Unequal Amplitudes

Typically, in real world environments, closely spaced signals do not have equal amplitudes. Often, the difference between closely spaced signals can be as much as -60 dB. To resolve two signals of unequal amplitude, the resolution bandwidth must be less than or equal to the frequency separation of the two signals (the same as resolving two equal amplitude signals). However, in this case the largest resolution bandwidth that will resolve the two unequal signals is determined primarily by the shape factor of the IF filter, rather than by the 3 dB bandwidth. Shape factor is defined as the ratio of the 60 dB bandwidth to the 3 dB bandwidth of the IF filter.

Therefore, to resolve two signals of unequal amplitude, the half-bandwidth of a filter at the point equal to the amplitude separation of the two signals must be less than the frequency separation of the two signals. If you do not know the specific shape factor of the IF Filter, perform this measurement as if the signals had equal amplitudes paying close attention to potential signals having unequal power levels that are closely spaced. This will take some adjusting among the various resolution and video bandwidth and span functions.

Example

Connect two signal sources to the spectrum analyzer input with a combiner/splitter. Set the frequency of one source to 1900.0 MHz and the other source to 1900.1 MHz. Set one source to +20 dBm, and the other to -15 dBm.

- **Step 1.** Set attenuator coupling to AUTO.
- **Step 2.** Set the Reference Level to −10 dBm.
- **Step 3.** Set the scale to 10 dB/div.
- Step 4. Set the span to 1 MHz and the center frequency to 1900 MHz.
- **Step 5.** Set the resolution bandwidth to 10 kHz and the video bandwidth to 100 Hz. The two signals should be observed on the spectrum analyzer, each with different amplitudes and spaced 100 kHz apart.

Figure 5-11 shows the results of the example using a signal combiner/splitter with a loss of 6 dB. Marker 2 is set as a delta marker, and shows the difference in frequency and amplitude between the two peaks.

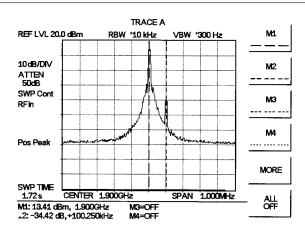


Figure 5-11. Measurement of Two Signals Having Unequal Amplitudes

Step 6. Change the frequency in the second source from 1900.100 MHz to 1900.050 MHz gradually and observe the effect. Figure 5-12 shows the results with the two signals spaced 50 kHz apart using a signal combiner/splitter with a loss of 6 dB.

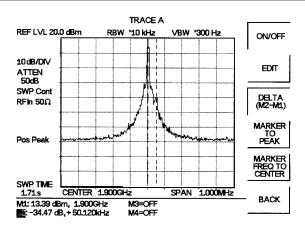


Figure 5-12. Measurement of Two Signals Having Unequal Amplitudes

Step 7. Change the resolution bandwidth to 30 kHz. Figure 5-13 shows the results after changing the RBW using a signal combiner/splitter with a loss of 6 dB.

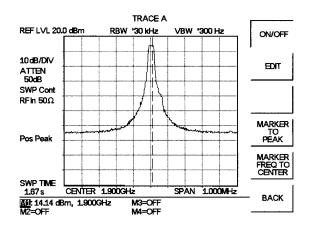


Figure 5-13. Measurement of Two Signals Having Unequal Amplitudes

The two signals should still be observable with the 10 kHz resolution bandwidth, but may be difficult to detect with the 30 kHz resolution bandwidth. Narrowing the span may help in detecting the differences in these two signals.

Example 2: Harmonic Distortion

Most transmitting devices and signal sources contain harmonics. Measuring the harmonic content of such sources is frequently required. In fact, measuring harmonic distortion is one of the most common uses of spectrum analyzers.

The following harmonic distortion measurement applies an important group of spectrum analyzer operating skills: setting the reference level, using start and stop frequencies; setting the video bandwidth and RBW; and making relative measurements using two markers. It also demonstrates setting a signal to center frequency using a marker.

Example

Step 1. Reset the Site Master to the factory default settings if a known starting state is desired.

If the unit is off, hold down the **ESC/CLEAR** key while pressing the **ON/OFF** key.

- Step 2. Press AMPLITUDE and then select REF LEVEL
- **Step 3.** Enter the desired Reference Level (+20 dB) using the keypad and press **ENTER**.
- **Step 4.** Connect a signal source to the Anritsu Site Master.
- **Step 5.** Set the signal source frequency to 10 MHz and the signal level to +10 dBm.
- **Step 6.** Set the START frequency at 1 MHz
- **Step 7.** Set the STOP frequency to 50 MHz
- **Step 8.** Set the resolution bandwidth to improve visibility by smoothing the noise:
 - a. Press **SWEEP**
 - b. Press RBW, then MANUAL.
- **Step 9.** Use the Up/down arrow key to select the desired resolution bandwidth, 100 kHz in this case.
- **Step 10.** Press **ENTER** once the desired resolution bandwidth has been selected.
- **Step 11.** Set the video bandwidth to improve visibility by smoothing the noise:
 - a. Press SWEEP
 - b. Press VBW, then MANUAL.
- **Step 12.** Use the Up/down arrow key to select the desired video bandwidth, 3 kHz in this case.
- **Step 13.** Press **ENTER** once the desired video bandwidth has been selected.
- **Step 14.** Press the **MARKER** key and select the M1 soft key
- **Step 15.** Press the MARKER TO PEAK soft key to set marker M1 to the peak signal (fundamental frequency). Note that marker M1 will automatically be turned on.
- **Step 16.** Press the **MARKER** key and select the M2 soft key.



- **Step 17.** Press the EDIT soft key to turn Marker M2 ON and use Up/down arrow key to place Marker M2 at the center of the second harmonic. Press **ENTER** to set the marker position.
- **Step 18.** Press the DELTA (M2-M1) soft key. This will provide frequency and amplitude information with respect to marker M1.
- **Step 19.** Press the **MARKER** key and select the M3 soft key.
- **Step 20.** Press the EDIT soft key to turn Marker M3 ON and use the Up/down arrow key to place Marker M3 at the center of the third harmonic.
- **Step 21.** Press the DELTA (M3-M1) soft key. This will provide frequency and amplitude information with respect to marker M1.

Figure 5-14 shows the distortion characteristics of the signal source just measured. Marker 1 indicates the fundamental frequency. Marker 2 shows that the second order distortion of the source is 46.24 dB below the carrier. Marker 3 shows that the third order harmonic is 48.44 dB below the fundamental frequency.

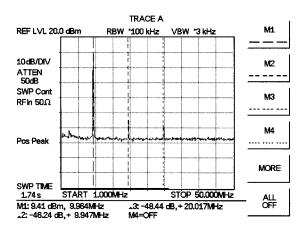


Figure 5-14. Harmonic Distortion

Out-of-Band Spurious Emissions

Out-of-band spurious measurements are made on signals outside the system main band. These signals, which can interfere with other communication systems, can be categorized into harmonics and random spurious emissions. Real time monitoring of spurious emissions from a transmitter can uncover unwanted signals before they interfere with other channels.

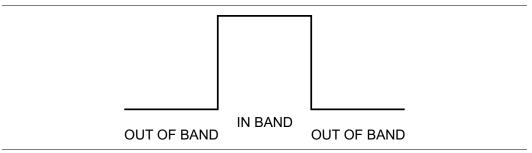


Figure 5-15. Example of In- and Out-of Bandwidth Signals

Out-of-Band Spurious Emission Measurement

Required Equipment

- ☐ Site Master S114C/S332C
- □ 30 dB, 50 watt, Bi-Directional, DC 18 GHz, N(m) N(f), Attenuator, Anritsu 42N50A-30
- ☐ Test Port extension cable, Anritsu 15NNF50 1.5C

Procedure

Step 1. Reset the Site Master to the factory default settings if a known starting state is desired.

If the unit is off, hold down the **ESC/CLEAR** key while pressing the **ON/OFF** key.

- **Step 2.** Using the test port extension cable and 30 dB attenuator, connect the signal source to the input of the attenuator, and connect the output of the attenuator to the RF In test port of the Site Master.
- **Step 3.** Press the **FREQ/DIST** key and select the CENTER soft key. Enter the center frequency.
- **Step 4.** Press the SPAN soft key. Set the span wide enough to include the primary channel bandwidth and upper and lower channel bandwidths.
- **Step 5.** Press the **AMPLITUDE** key and select the REF LEVEL soft key to set the reference level to 0 dBm.
- **Step 6.** Press the ATTEN soft key and set the attenuation to AUTO.
- **Step 7.** Press the **SWEEP** key and select the RBW and VBW soft keys to set the resolution bandwidth to 10 kHz and the video bandwidth to 300 Hz.
- **Step 8.** Press the **MARKER** key and press the M1 soft key.

- **Step 9.** Press the EDIT soft key. Use the Up/down arrow key to move the marker over one of the spurs. Press the **ENTER** key to set the marker.
- **Step 10.** Compare the value of the marker to the specified allowable level of out-of-band spurious emissions for the corresponding channel transmit frequency.
- **Step 11.** Repeat Steps 8-11 for the remaining spurs. Use either Marker 1 again, or choose another marker.

Figure 5-16 shows a simulated out-of-band spurious signal at 21.052 MHz from the carrier.

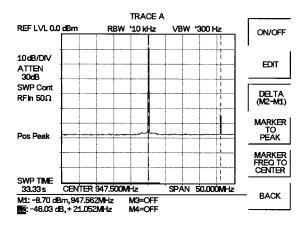


Figure 5-16. Simulated Out-of-Band Spurious Emission Measurement

In-band/Out-of-Channel Measurements

The in-band/out-of-channel measurements are those measurements that measure distortion and interference within the system band, but outside of the transmitting channel. These measurements include (1) in-band spurious emissions and (2) adjacent channel power ratio (also called spectral regrowth). There are stringent regulatory controls on the amount of interference that a transmitter can spill to neighboring channels. In order to determine compliance with the allowable level of spurious emissions, two parameters need to be specified:

Measurement channel bandwidth
Allowable level of spurious emissions

In-band Spurious Measurement

Required Equipment

	Site Master S114C/S332C
	30~dB, $50~watt$, $Bi-Directional$, $DC-18~GHz$, $N(m)-N(f)$, $Attenuator$, $Anritsu~42N50A-30$
\Box	Test Port extension cable Anritsu 15NNF50 – 1.5C

Procedure

Step 1. Reset the Site Master to the factory default settings if a known starting state is desired.

If the unit is off, hold down the **ESC/CLEAR** key while pressing the **ON/OFF** key.

- **Step 2.** Using the test port extension cable and 30 dB, 50 watt, Bi-directional attenuator, connect the Site Master to appropriate transmit test port.
- **Step 3.** Press the **FREQ/DIST** key and select the CENTER soft key. Enter the center frequency.
- **Step 4.** Press the **FREQ/DIST** key and select the SPAN soft key. Set the span wide enough to include the primary channel bandwidth and upper and lower channel bandwidths.
- **Step 5.** Press the **AMPLITUDE** key and select the REF LEVEL soft key to set the reference level to 0 dBm.
- **Step 6.** Press the ATTEN soft key and set the attenuation to AUTO.
- **Step 7.** Press the **SWEEP** key and select the RBW and VBW soft keys to set the resolution bandwidth to 10 kHz and the video bandwidth to 300 Hz.
- **Step 8.** Press the **MARKER** key and press the M1 soft key.
- **Step 9.** Press the EDIT soft key. Use the Up/down arrow key to move the marker over one of the spurs. Press the **ENTER** key to set the marker.
- Step 10. Compare the value of the marker to the specified allowable level of in-band/out-of-channel spurious emissions for the corresponding channel transmit frequency.



Step 11. Repeat steps 8-11 for the remaining spurs. Use either Marker 1 again, or choose another marker.

Figure 5-17 shows a simulated in-band spur check at 6 MHz from the carrier frequency. The carrier is measured by M1. The delta marker M3 shows the signal at $f_c + 6$ MHz to be 73.55 dB down from the carrier. This value should be compared against the specification.

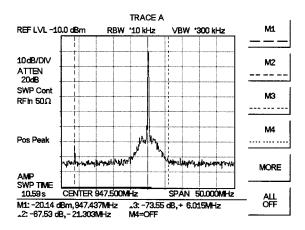


Figure 5-17. In-band Spurious Measurement

NOTE: The resolution bandwidth of a spectrum analyzer is determined by the intermediate frequency (IF) filter bandwidth. The Site Master traces the shape of the IF filter as it sweeps past a signal. Therefore, if two equal-amplitude signals are very close to each other, the measurement result can appear to be one single response because the IF or resolution bandwidth is not small enough to resolve the two signals. Similarly, if two signals are not equal in amplitude but are very close together, the smaller signal may not be seen because it is hidden under the large response.



Field Strength

Required Equipment

- ☐ Site Master S114C/S332C
- **¬** Portable Antenna

Procedure

- **Step 1.** Use the Antenna Editor feature of the Software Tools to define an antenna (see page 7-7).
- **Step 2.** Reset the Site Master to the factory default settings if a known starting state is desired.

If the unit is off, hold down the **ESC/CLEAR** key while pressing the **ON/OFF** key.

If the unit is already on, press the **RECALL SETUP** key on the data keypad. When the key is pressed, a Recall Trace selection box appears on the display. Select setup location 0 to recall the factory preset state.

- **Step 3.** Upload the antenna information to the Site Master (see page 7-7).
- **Step 4.** Connect the antenna to the Site Master.
- **Step 5.** Press the **FREQ/DIST** key and select the CENTER soft key. Enter the center frequency.
- **Step 6.** Press the **FREQ/DIST** key and select the SPAN soft key. Set the span wide enough to include the primary channel bandwidth and upper and lower channel bandwidths.
- **Step 7.** Press the **SWEEP** key and select the RBW and VBW soft keys to set the resolution bandwidth to 10 kHz and the video bandwidth to 300 Hz.
- **Step 8.** Press the **SWEEP** key and select the MEASURE soft key.
- **Step 9.** Select the FIELD STRENGTH soft key.
- **Step 10.** Press the SELECT ANTENNA soft key.
- **Step 11.** Use the Up/Down arrow key to choose the desired antenna and select by pressing the **ENTER** key.
- Step 12. To change the unit of measurement, press the AMPLITUDE hard key, then press the UNITS soft key and select dB, dBV, dBmV or dB μ V using the designated soft key.

The Site Master will automatically adjust the measurement by the antenna factors selected. A FIELD STR icon will appear to the left of the graph and the antenna name will be in the title bar above the graph.



Figure 5-18 shows the results of a measurement using an R&S HE200 antenna.

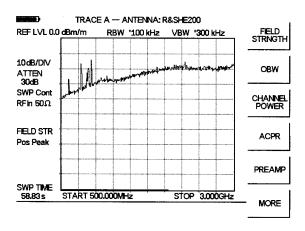


Figure 5-18. Field Strength Measurements

Antenna Calculations

The following is a list of various antenna calculations should you find it necessary to convert from one to another:

Conversion of signal levels from mW to μV in a 50-ohm system:

$$P = \frac{V^2}{R}$$

where:

P = power in Watts

V = voltage level in Volts

R = resistance in Ohms

For power in milliwatts (10⁻³W), and voltage in microvolts 10⁻⁶V:

$$V_{dB}(\mu V) = P(dBm) + 107$$

Power density to field strength. An alternate measure of field strength to electric field is power density:

$$Pd = \frac{E^2}{120\pi}$$

where:

E = field strength in V/m

 $P = Power density in W/m^2$

Power density at a point:

$$P_d = \frac{P_t G_t}{4\pi r^2}$$

In the far field, where electric and magnetic fields are related by the impedance of free space:

 $P_d = power \ density \ in \ W/m^2$

 P_t = power transmitted in Watts

 $G_t = gain \ of \ transmitting \ antenna$

r = distance from the antenna in meters