

# M9484C VXG and V3080A

Vector signal generator and frequency extender

## Introduction

This data sheet provides key features and specifications for the M9484C VXG vector signal generator and the V3080A vector signal generator frequency extender.



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# About the M9484C VXG Vector Signal Generator

You're designing the next RF breakthrough and ensuring that your design delivers maximum throughput, robust links, and data handling capabilities. This introduces a new set of design and test challenges, including more bandwidths, frequency bands, and system complexity.

Keysight has created the ultimate VXG signal generator to take your designs to the widest bandwidths, highest frequencies, and multichannel applications. With this fully integrated, calibrated, and synchronized solution, you don't need to worry about the errors caused by additional connections and instruments. Through integration with PathWave Signal Generation software, create performance-optimized reference signals and reduce the time you spend on signal simulation.

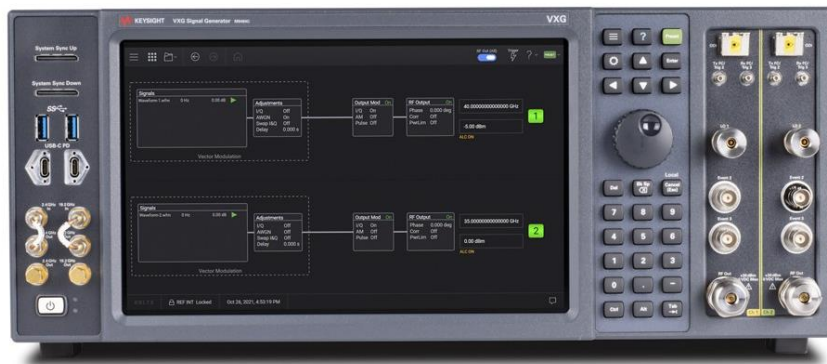


Figure 1. M9484C VXG signal generator with two 54 GHz channels.

# Definitions and Conditions

## Specification

Specifications represent warranted performance of a calibrated instrument that has been stored for a minimum of 2 hours within the operating temperature of 0 to 50 °C, unless otherwise stated, and after a 45-minute warm-up period. The specifications include measurement uncertainty. Data represented in this document are specifications unless otherwise noted. Performance specifications do not apply when in SDW launch mode.

## Typical

Typical (typ) describes additional product performance information that is not covered by the product warranty. It is performance beyond specifications that 80 percent of the units exhibit with a 90 percent confidence level at room temperature (approximately 25 °C). Typical performance does not include measurement uncertainty.

## Nominal

Nominal (nom) values indicate the expected mean or average performance, or an attribute whose performance is by design, such as the 50-ohm connector. This data is not warranted and is measured at room temperature (approximately 25 °C).

## Measured

Measured (meas) describes an attribute measured during the design phase for purposes of communicating expected performance, such as amplitude drift vs. time. This data is not warranted and is measured at room temperature (approximately 25 °C).

All of the above apply when using the instrument in its default settings unless otherwise stated.

Data contained within this document does not apply to V3080A unless otherwise stated.

V3080A specifications apply only when used with included 2 meter cable (V3080A-7RM) in good condition. V3080A specifications apply after a 5-hour warm-up period. V3080A must be used with an M9484C VXG with instrument software version A.15.00 or later.

# Frequency

## Frequency options

Option	CW frequency range	RF output connector
M9484C-506	9 kHz to 6 GHz	Type-N (f)
M9484C-508	9 kHz to 8.5 GHz	Type-N (f)
M9484C-514	9 kHz to 14 GHz	3.5 mm (m)
M9484C-520	9 kHz to 21.6 GHz	3.5 mm (m)
M9484C-532	9 kHz to 31.8 GHz	1.85 mm (m)
M9484C-544	9 kHz to 44 GHz	1.85 mm (m)
M9484C-554	9 kHz to 54 GHz	1.85 mm (m)
V3080A-F06 <sup>1</sup>	10 MHz to 67 GHz	1.0 mm (m)
V3080A-F07 <sup>1</sup>	10 MHz to 75 GHz	1.0 mm (m)
V3080A-F09 <sup>1</sup>	10 MHz to 90 GHz	1.0 mm (m)
V3080A-F11 <sup>1</sup>	10 MHz to 100 GHz (overrange to 110 GHz)	1.0 mm (m)

## Frequency resolution

CW	0.00001 Hz
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## Phase adjustments

Phase offset range	$\pm 180^\circ$
Phase offset resolution	0.001°

## Relative phase adjustments (Option PCH and SNC<sup>2</sup>)<sup>3</sup>

Relative phase offset range	$\pm 180^\circ$
Relative phase offset resolution	0.001°
Relative phase repeatability	0.0001° (nom) <sup>4</sup>

Frequency switching speed <sup>5</sup>	M9484C	V3080A
10 MHz to 54 GHz	3.0 ms (meas)	30 ms (meas)
54 GHz to 110 GHz	-	36 ms (meas)
10 MHz to 110 GHz, crossing over 54 GHz	-	50 ms (meas)

# Frequency Reference

## Frequency accuracy

Calculation		$\pm$ (time since last adjustment x aging rate) $\pm$ temperature effects $\pm$ calibration accuracy
Aging rate <sup>6</sup>	First year	0.05 ppm/year, after 72-hour warm-up
	Second year	0.03 ppm/year, after 72-hour warm-up
Temperature effects (nom)	20 to 30 °C	$< \pm 10$ ppb
	Full temperature range	$< \pm 50$ ppb
Initial achievable calibration accuracy <sup>7</sup>		$\pm 5 \times 10^{-8}$

- V3080A requires an M9484C with option AL2 and 532, 544, or 554. If option 532 or 544 are selected, settable frequency will stop at the specified maximum frequency for that option and resume at 52.8 GHz when the V3080A is connected.
- Option SNC requires option PCH on all M9484Cs and appropriate cabling of LOs and trigger lines between M9484Cs to achieve results, taking fanout limitations into consideration.
- Channel 1 relative to channel 2, for example.
- When tuning from f1 to f2 and back to f1.
- Time from receipt of SCPI command to frequency within 0.1 ppm of final frequency or within 100 Hz, whichever is greater, and amplitude within 1 dB of final amplitude.
- Not verified by Keysight N7800A TME Calibration and Adjustment Software. Daily aging rate may be verified as a supplementary chargeable service, on request.
- At time of shipment.

### Warm up (nom)

5 minutes over +20 to +30 °C, with respect to 1 hour	< ± 0.1 ppm
15 minutes over +20 to +30 °C, with respect to 1 hour	< ± 0.01 ppm

### External reference input

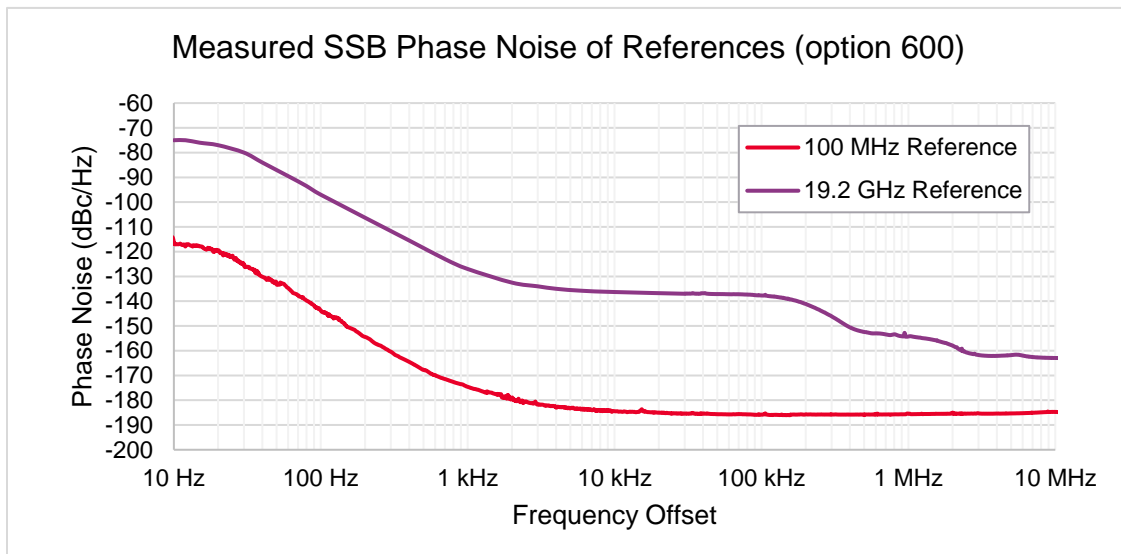
Standard	10 MHz, 100 MHz
Option 1ER	1 MHz to 110 MHz flexible reference
Input frequency setting resolution (1ER)	0.1 Hz
Wide locking range	± 1.0 ppm (nom), optimized for best phase stability
Narrow locking range	± 0.6 ppm (nom), optimized for best close-in phase noise
Amplitude	-3 dBm to +20 dBm (nom)
Connector	BNC female
Impedance	50 Ω (nom)

### External reference input PLL synchronization bandwidths

External reference frequency	Synchronization loop bandwidth	
	Narrow	Wide
10 MHz	0.015 Hz	70 Hz
100 MHz	0.015 Hz	70 Hz
Flexible Reference (1ER) 1 – 110 MHz	0.015 Hz	70 Hz

### Reference outputs

10 MHz out	
Amplitude <sup>8</sup>	≥ 5 dBm, 7 dBm (typ), square wave
Connector	BNC female
Impedance	50 Ω (nom)
19.2 GHz out	
Amplitude <sup>8</sup>	+7.3 dBm (nom) sine wave
Connector	SMA female
Impedance	50 Ω (nom)
2.4 GHz out <sup>9</sup>	
Amplitude <sup>8</sup>	+7.3 dBm (nom) sine wave
Connector	SMA female
Impedance	50 Ω (nom)

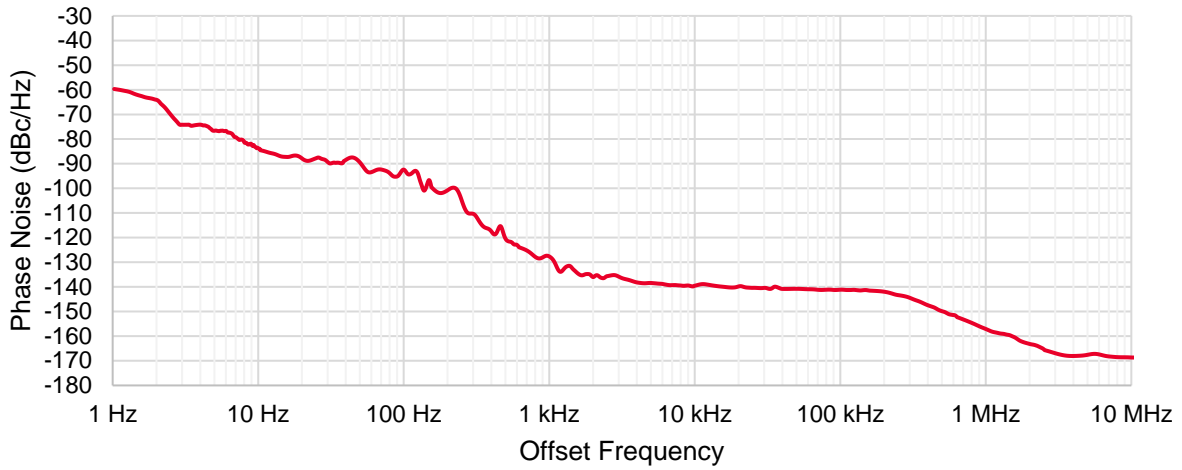


<sup>8</sup> Does not include a guard band for performance distribution, measurement uncertainty, or environmental variables.  
<sup>9</sup> Available on instruments with options 514, 520, 532, 544, or 554.

Auxiliary fixed LO (Option AL2)<sup>10</sup>

	Frequency	Amplitude
User selectable outputs	2.4 GHz	+11 dBm (meas.)
	4.8 GHz	+7.5 dBm (meas.)
	9.6 GHz	+6 dBm (meas.)
	19.2 GHz	-2 dBm (meas.)
Connector	APC 3.5 mm	
Impedance	50 $\Omega$ (nom.)	

Measured SSB Phase Noise of Auxilliary Fixed LO at 9.6 GHz (options M9484C-AL2, M9484C-600)



<sup>10</sup> Available on M9484C with options 532, 544, or 554. Required to pair M9484C with V3080A.

# Power

## Output parameters

Settable range	Standard	-135 dBm to +20 dBm
	Options 1EA, 1EB, or 1EC	-135 dBm to +30 dBm
	V3080A	-115 dBm to +30 dBm
Resolution		0.01 dB
Output impedance		50 Ω (nom)
Maximum reverse power		+27 dBm, 0 VDC (nom)
Attenuator type		Electronic

## Maximum output power, temperature range 22 to 28 °C, () = typical

Options 506 and 508			
Frequency range	Standard	Option 1EA	
9 kHz to 1 MHz	(+12 dBm)	(+12 dBm)	
> 1 MHz to 10 MHz	+10 dBm	+10 dBm (+12 dBm)	
> 10 MHz to 4 GHz	+18 dBm	+20 dBm (+24 dBm)	
> 4 GHz to 8.5 GHz	+18 dBm	+20 dBm (+23 dBm)	
Options 514 and 520			
Frequency range	Standard	Option 1EB	Harmonic filters enabled (selectable with option 1EH) <sup>11</sup>
9 kHz to 1 MHz	(0 dBm)	(0 dBm)	(0 dBm)
> 1 MHz to 10 MHz	+10 dBm	+10 dBm (+12 dBm)	+10 dBm (+12 dBm)
> 10 MHz to 4 GHz	+18 dBm	+20 dBm (+24 dBm)	+12 dBm (+13 dBm)
> 4 GHz to 8.5 GHz	+18 dBm	+20 dBm (+23 dBm)	+7 dBm (+9 dBm)
> 8.5 GHz to 14.7 GHz	+18 dBm	+20 dBm (+23 dBm)	+8.5 dBm (+10 dBm)
> 14.7 GHz to 19 GHz	+18 dBm	+19 dBm (+22 dBm)	-
> 19 GHz to 21.6 GHz	+17 dBm	+17 dBm (+22 dBm)	-
Options 532, 544, and 554			
Frequency range	Standard	Option 1EC	Harmonic filters enabled (selectable with option 1EH) <sup>11</sup>
9 kHz to 1 MHz	(0 dBm)	(0 dBm)	(0 dBm)
> 1 MHz to 10 MHz	+10 dBm	+10 dBm (+12 dBm)	+10 dBm (+12 dBm)
> 10 MHz to 4 GHz	+18 dBm	+20 dBm (+21 dBm)	+10 dBm (+12 dBm)
> 4 GHz to 8.5 GHz	+18 dBm	+20 dBm (+21 dBm)	+5 dBm (+8 dBm)
> 8.5 GHz to 14.7 GHz	+18 dBm	+20 dBm (+21 dBm)	+8.5 dBm (+10 dBm)
> 14.7 GHz to 19 GHz	+18 dBm	+19 dBm (+20 dBm)	-
> 19 GHz to 21.6 GHz	+17 dBm	+17 dBm (+18 dBm)	-
> 21.6 GHz to 22.5 GHz	+18 dBm	+18 dBm (+20 dBm)	-
> 22.5 GHz to 32 GHz	+18 dBm	+22 dBm (+23 dBm)	-
> 32 GHz to 43 GHz	+15 dBm	+19 dBm (+21 dBm)	-
> 43 GHz to 50 GHz	+11 dBm	+17 dBm (+19 dBm)	-
> 50 GHz to 54 GHz	+10 dBm	+12 dBm (+14 dBm)	-
V3080A <sup>12</sup>			
Frequency range	Standard		
9 kHz to < 52.8 GHz	See <a href="#">maximum output power for options 532, 544, and 554</a> and subtract <a href="#">cable loss</a> and <a href="#">bypass path loss</a> <sup>13</sup>		
≥ 52.8 GHz to 65 GHz	+13 dBm (+14.5 dBm)		
> 65 GHz to 75 GHz	+14.5 dBm (+16.5 dBm)		
> 75 GHz to 90 GHz	+12.5 dBm (+15 dBm)		
> 90 GHz to 95 GHz	+10.5 dBm (+12 dBm)		
> 95 GHz to 100 GHz	+5 dBm (+12 dBm)		
> 100 GHz to 110 GHz	(-25 dBm)		

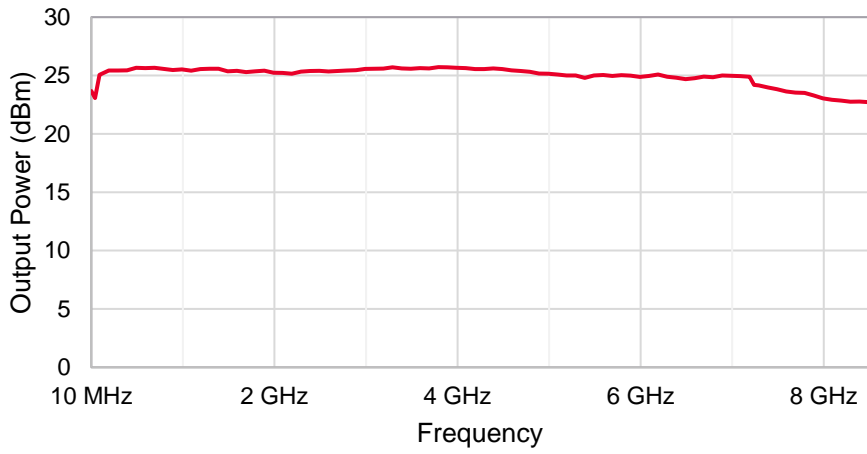
<sup>11</sup> Refer to standard, 1EB, or 1EC column for frequencies above 14.5 GHz.

<sup>12</sup> V3080A performance applies after a [Power Accuracy Adjustment](#).

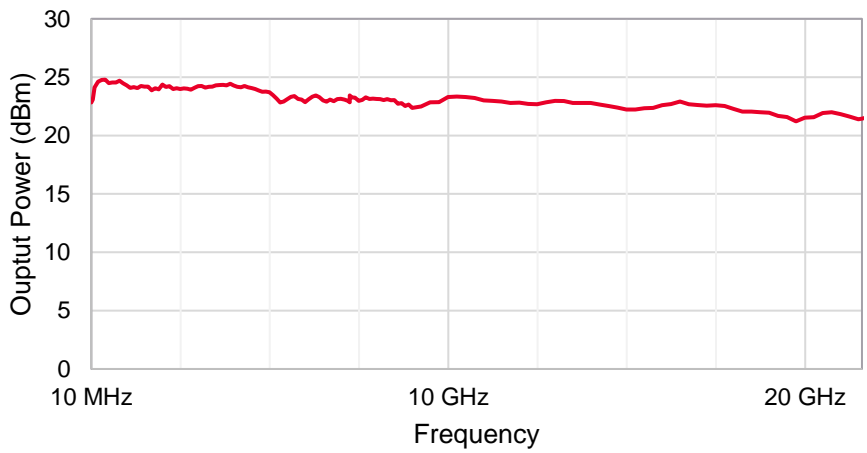
<sup>13</sup> Refer to [V3080A Getting Started Guide](#) for connection diagrams and additional details.



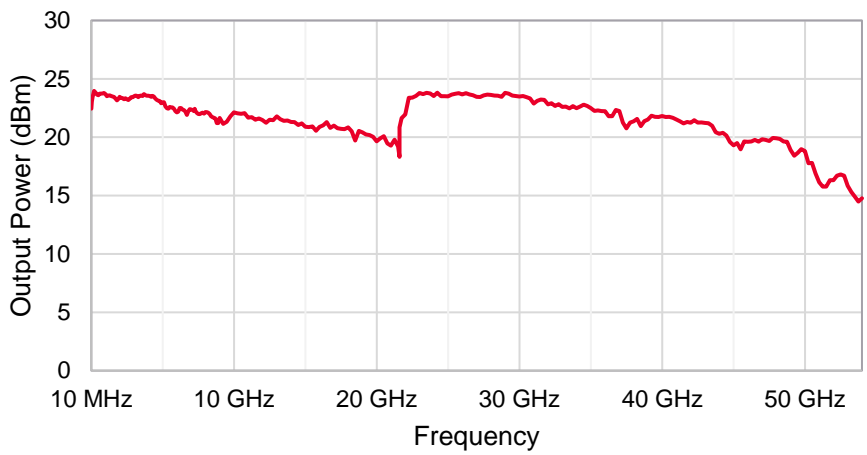
Measured maximum output power (option 1EA)

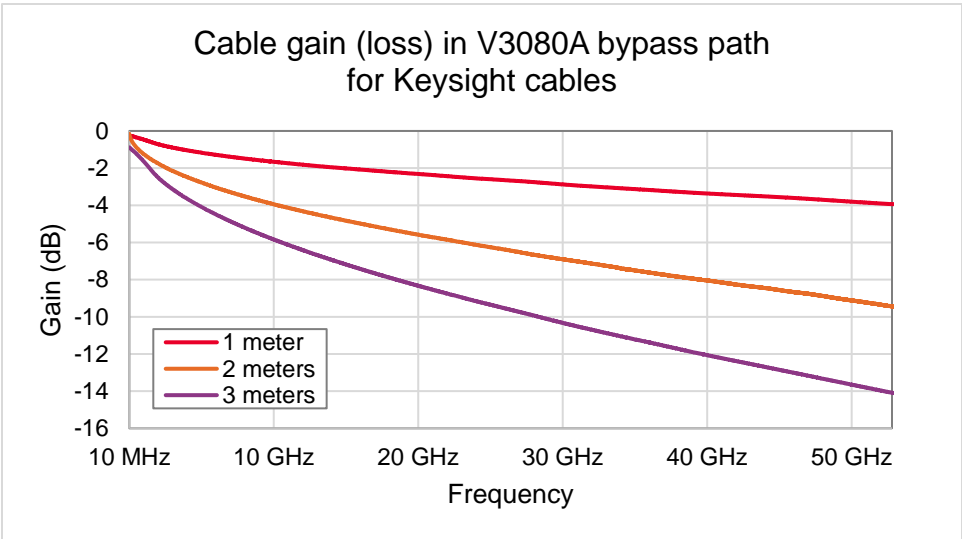
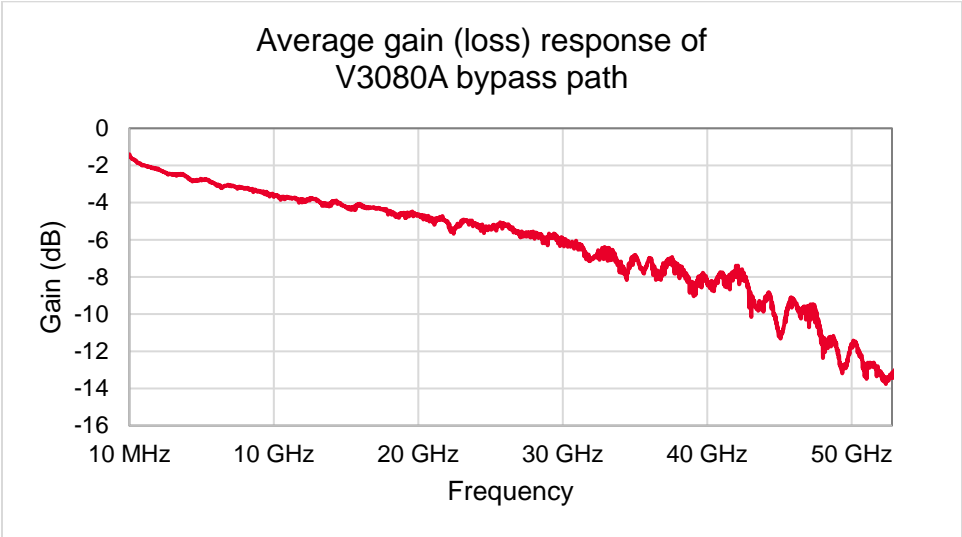
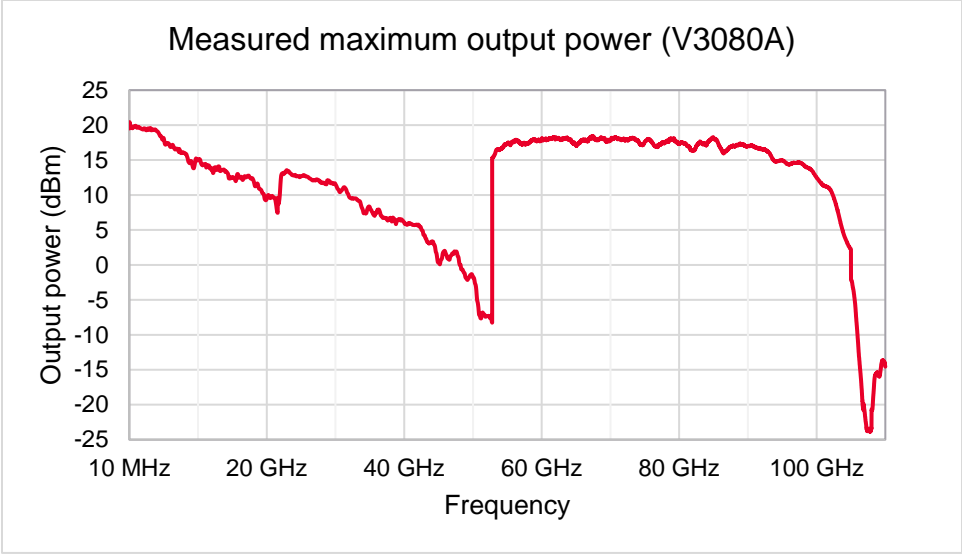


Measured maximum output power (option 1EB)



Measured maximum output power (option 1EC)





**M9484C absolute level accuracy<sup>14</sup> (CW), temperature range from +22 °C to +28 °C, ALC on, () = typical**

Frequency range	+15 dBm or maximum specified power to -60 dBm	< -60 dBm to -90 dBm	< -90 dBm to -110 dBm
> 12 MHz to 6 GHz	< ±1.6 dB (±0.3 dB)	< ±1.4 dB (< ±0.3 dB)	< ±1.8 dB (< ±0.5 dB)
> 6 GHz to 8.5 GHz	< ±1.1 dB (±0.3 dB)	< ±1.6 dB (< ±0.5 dB)	< ±2.5 dB (< ±1 dB)
> 8.5 GHz to 17 GHz	< ±1.2 dB (±0.3 dB)	< ±2.1 dB (< ±0.8 dB)	< ±2.6 dB (< ±1 dB)
> 17 GHz to 20 GHz	< ±1.7 dB (< ±0.5 dB)	< ±2.7 dB (< ±1 dB)	< ±2.6 dB (< ±1 dB)
> 20 GHz to 37 GHz	< ±1.3 dB (±0.3 dB)	< ±1.8 dB (< ±0.5 dB)	< ±2.6 dB (< ±0.7 dB)
> 37 GHz to 44 GHz	< ±1.3 dB (±0.3 dB)	(< ±1.5 dB)	(< ±1.5 dB)
> 44 GHz to 50 GHz	< ±2.1 dB (< ±0.7 dB)	(< ±1.5 dB)	(< ±1.5 dB)
> 50 GHz to 54 GHz	< ±2.2 dB (< ±0.7 dB)	(< ±1.5 dB)	(< ±2 dB)

**M9484C absolute level accuracy<sup>14</sup> (CW), temperature range from +22 °C to +28 °C, ALC off, () = typical**

Frequency range	+10 dBm or maximum specified power to -60 dBm	< -60 dBm to -90 dBm	< -90 dBm to -110 dBm
> 1 MHz to 12 MHz	< ±1.5 dB (< ±0.5 dB)	n/a	n/a
> 12 MHz to 6 GHz	< ±1.6 dB (< ±0.3 dB)	< ±1.7 dB (< ±0.4 dB)	< ± 1.8 dB (< ± 0.4 dB)
> 6 GHz to 8.5 GHz	< ±1.5 dB (< ±0.5 dB)	< ±1.6 dB (< ±0.5 dB)	< ± 2.5 dB (< ± 1 dB)
> 8.5 GHz to 17 GHz	< ±1.7 dB (< ±0.5 dB)	< ± 2.7 dB (< ±1.1 dB)	< ± 2.6 dB (< ± 1.1 dB)
> 17 GHz to 20 GHz	< ± 2.5 dB (< ± 1 dB)	< ±2.7 dB (< ±1.1 dB)	< ± 2.6 dB (< ± 1.1 dB)
> 20 GHz to 37 GHz	< ± 1.6 dB (< ±0.5 dB)	< ± 1.8 dB (< ±0.6 dB)	< ± 3.1 dB (< ± 0.8 dB)
> 37 GHz to 44 GHz	< ± 1.6 dB (< ±0.5 dB)	(< ±2 dB)	(< ±2 dB)
> 44 GHz to 50 GHz	< ± 2.6 dB (< ±0.8 dB)	(< ±2 dB)	(< ±2 dB)
> 50 GHz to 54 GHz	< ± 2.7 dB (< ±0.8 dB)	(< ±1.5 dB)	(< ±2 dB)

**M9484C absolute level accuracy in IQ mode relative to CW, temperature range from +22 °C to +28 °C, ALC auto, +10 to -20 dBm**

Frequency range	3GPP W-CDMA Test model 1 with 64 DPCH, 4 carrier	5G NR 8cc x 100 MHz (800 MHz), 256QAM, 120 kHz SCS, NRB = 66
12 MHz to 8.5 GHz	±0.3 dB (nom)	±0.4 dB (nom)
> 8.5 GHz to 20 GHz	±0.5 dB (nom)	±0.8 dB (nom)
> 20 GHz to 30 GHz	±0.8 dB (nom)	±2.0 dB (nom)
> 30 GHz to 35 GHz	±0.2 dB (nom)	±0.65 dB (nom)
> 35 GHz to 54 GHz	±0.25 dB (nom)	±0.9 dB (nom)

**V3080A absolute level accuracy (CW)<sup>15,16</sup>, temperature range from +22 °C to +28 °C, ALC on, () = typical**

Frequency range	+10 dBm or maximum specified power to < -10 dBm	-10 dBm to < -20 dBm	-20 dBm to < -60 dBm	-60 dBm to < -90 dBm	-90 dBm to < -110 dBm
10 MHz to < 6 GHz	-	-	< (±1.0 dB)	< (±1.0 dB)	< (±1.25 dB)
6 GHz to < 8.5 GHz	-	-	< (±1.0 dB)	< (±1.0 dB)	< (±1.25 dB)
8.5 GHz to < 17 GHz	-	-	< (±1.0 dB)	< (±1.25 dB)	< (±1.5 dB)
17 GHz to < 20 GHz	-	-	< (±1.25 dB)	< (±1.25 dB)	< (±1.5 dB)
20 GHz to < 37 GHz	-	-	< (±2.25 dB)	< (±2.25 dB)	< (±2.5 dB)
37 GHz to < 44 GHz	-	-	< (±2.25 dB)	< (±2.5 dB)	< (±3.0 dB)
44 GHz to < 50 GHz	-	-	< (±2.0 dB)	< (±2.5 dB)	< (±3.0 dB)
50 GHz to < 52.8 GHz	-	-	< (±2.0 dB)	< (±2.5 dB)	< (±3.0 dB)
52.8 GHz to < 60 GHz	< (±1.25 dB)	< (±1.5 dB)	< (±2.0 dB)	< (±2.0 dB)	< (±2.0 dB)
60 GHz to < 70 GHz	< (±1.0 dB)	< (±1.5 dB)	< (±2.0 dB)	< (±2.0 dB)	< (±2.0 dB)
70 GHz to < 85 GHz	< (±1.0 dB)	< (±1.5 dB)	< (±3.0 dB)	< (±3.0 dB)	< (±3.25 dB)
85 GHz to < 90 GHz	< (±1.0 dB)	< (±1.5 dB)	< (±2.0 dB)	< (±3.0 dB)	< (±3.0 dB)
90 GHz to < 100 GHz	< (±2.0 dB)	< (±1.5 dB)	< (±1.5 dB)	< (±5.0 dB)	< (±5.25 dB)

14 When harmonic filters are enabled (selectable with option 1EH), specification ≤ 7.25 GHz is ±2.0 dB at all power levels. For frequencies <35 MHz specifications <- 70 dBm do not apply.

15 If the V3080A has been turned off and stored at room temperature, it is recommended that it is turned on and thermally stabilized to bake out any relative amplitude drift. At 70% humidity and 30 °C, a warm up time of:

- 2 hours results in approximately 0.15 dB relative amplitude drift.
- 5 hours results in approximately 0.05 dB relative amplitude drift.
- 10 hours (recommended) results in no measurable relative amplitude drift.

16 V3080A performance applies after a **Power Accuracy Adjustment**.

V3080A absolute level accuracy (CW)<sup>17,18</sup>, temperature range from +22 °C to +28 °C, ALC off, () = typical

Frequency range	+10 dBm or maximum specified power to < -10 dBm	-10 dBm to < -20 dBm	-20 dBm to < -60 dBm	-60 dBm to < -90 dBm	-90 dBm to < -110 dBm
10 MHz to < 6 GHz	-	-	< (±1.2 dB)	< (±1.2 dB)	< (±1.45 dB)
6 GHz to < 8.5 GHz	-	-	< (±1.2 dB)	< (±1.2 dB)	< (±1.45 dB)
8.5 GHz to < 17 GHz	-	-	< (±1.2 dB)	< (±1.45 dB)	< (±1.7 dB)
17 GHz to < 20 GHz	-	-	< (±1.35 dB)	< (±1.35 dB)	< (±1.6 dB)
20 GHz to < 37 GHz	-	-	< (±2.45 dB)	< (±2.45 dB)	< (±2.7 dB)
37 GHz to < 44 GHz	-	-	< (±2.45 dB)	< (±2.7 dB)	< (±3.2 dB)
44 GHz to < 50 GHz	-	-	< (±2.2 dB)	< (±2.7 dB)	< (±3.2 dB)
50 GHz to < 52.8 GHz	-	-	< (±2.2 dB)	< (±2.7 dB)	< (±3.2 dB)
52.8 GHz to < 60 GHz	< (±1.75 dB)	< (±2.0 dB)	< (±2.5 dB)	< (±2.3 dB)	< (±2.3 dB)
60 GHz to < 70 GHz	< (±1.5 dB)	< (±2.0 dB)	< (±2.5 dB)	< (±2.3 dB)	< (±2.3 dB)
70 GHz to < 85 GHz	< (±1.5 dB)	< (±2.0 dB)	< (±3.5 dB)	< (±3.3 dB)	< (±3.55 dB)
85 GHz to < 90 GHz	< (±1.5 dB)	< (±2.0 dB)	< (±2.5 dB)	< (±3.3 dB)	< (±3.3 dB)
90 GHz to < 100 GHz	< (±2.5 dB)	< (±2.0 dB)	< (±2.0 dB)	< (±5.3 dB)	< (±5.55 dB)

V3080A absolute level accuracy in IQ mode relative to CW<sup>17,18</sup>, temperature range from +22 °C to +28 °C, ALC auto, +10 to -20 dBm

Frequency range	3GPP W-CDMA Test model 1 with 64 DPCH, 4 carrier	5G NR 8cc x 100 MHz (800 MHz), 256QAM, 120 kHz SCS, NRB = 66
52.8 GHz to 100 GHz	±2 dB (nom)	±2 dB (nom)

VSWR (meas)<sup>19</sup>

Frequency	Options 506, 508
240 MHz to 6 GHz	2.0
6 GHz to 8.5 GHz	1.9
Frequency	Options 514, 520
240 MHz to 6 GHz	1.6
6 GHz to 8.5 GHz	1.7
8.5 GHz to 17 GHz	1.8
17 GHz to 21.6 GHz	1.9
Frequency	Options 532, 544, 554
240 MHz to < 7.25 GHz	1.7
7.25 GHz to < 21.6 GHz	1.95
21.6 GHz to < 25 GHz	1.75
25 GHz to < 36.5 GHz	1.6
36.5 GHz to < 40 GHz	2.1
40 GHz to < 50 GHz	1.8
50 GHz to < 54 GHz	2.1
Frequency	V3080A
9 kHz to < 6 GHz	1.375
6 GHz to < 17 GHz	1.75
17 GHz to < 21.6 GHz	3
21.6 GHz to < 52.8 GHz	5.25
52.8 GHz to < 78 GHz	2.2
78 GHz to < 101 GHz	2.35

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18 V3080A performance applies after a [Power Accuracy Adjustment](#).

19 Harmonic filters not enabled (selectable with option 1EH). For CW operation; level range not valid when vector modulation is on.

Amplitude switching speed <sup>20</sup>	M9484C	V3080A
-110 dBm to +15 dBm	2.8 ms (meas)	30 ms (meas)

**Phase linearity vs power (with vector modulation on)**

Frequency	Power range	Phase linearity vs power
10 MHz to 10 GHz	+20 dBm to -80 dBm	1° RMS (nom)
> 10 GHz to 20 GHz	+20 dBm to -80 dBm	2° RMS (nom)
> 20 GHz to 54 GHz	+15 dBm to -18 dBm	3° RMS (nom)

**Leveling modes<sup>21</sup>**

ALC on	Power leveling with internal temperature stabilized detector feedback loop
ALC off	Temperature compensated power control
Auto	Automatic selection of ALC on or off depending on instrument settings

<sup>20</sup> Time from receipt of SCPI command to amplitude within 1 dB of final amplitude. For frequencies  $\geq 10$  MHz.

<sup>21</sup> Power alignment is a routine that offsets initial ALC off factory calibration to be in line with local ambient temperature and provides sufficient range for ALC on leveling. It should be run at regular intervals or whenever the operating temperature changes more than  $\pm 5$  °C from the previous alignment temperature.

# Spectral Purity

Harmonics<sup>22</sup>, measured using vector CW signal, temperature range from +22 °C to +28 °C

Frequency	M9484C		V3080A	
	Standard (+10 dBm)	Option 1EH <sup>23</sup> (+5 dBm)	Standard (-10 dBm) <sup>24</sup>	Option 1EH (-10 dBm) <sup>24</sup>
10 MHz to < 3.75 GHz	-30 dBc	-55 dBc	-30 dBc (typ)	-55 dBc (typ)
3.75 GHz to < 5.5 GHz	-30 dBc	-50 dBc <sup>25</sup>	-30 dBc (typ)	-50 dBc (typ)
5.5 GHz to < 7.25 GHz	-30 dBc	-55 dBc	-30 dBc (typ)	-55 dBc (typ)
7.25 GHz to < 15 GHz	-30 dBc <sup>25</sup>	-53 dBc	-30 dBc (typ)	-53 dBc (typ)
15 GHz to < 21.6 GHz	-55 dBc	-55 dBc	-55 dBc (typ)	-55 dBc (typ)
21.6 GHz to 27 GHz	-55 dBc <sup>25</sup>	-55 dBc <sup>25</sup>	-55 dBc (typ)	-55 dBc (typ)
> 27 GHz to 50 GHz	-	-	-55 dBc (typ)	-55 dBc (typ)

Non-harmonics<sup>26</sup>, +10 dBm or maximum specified power, whichever is lower<sup>27</sup>, temperature range from +22 °C to +28 °C

Frequency	M9484C		V3080A	
	> 300 Hz offset	Line-related (≤ 300 Hz offset)	> 300 Hz offset	Line-related (≤ 300 Hz offset)
10 MHz to < 7.25 GHz	-60 dBc	-57 dBc (typ)	-60 dBc (typ)	-57 dBc (typ)
7.25 GHz to < 21.6 GHz	-50 dBc <sup>28</sup>	-48 dBc (typ)	-50 dBc (typ)	-48 dBc (typ)
21.6 GHz to < 42.5 GHz	-50 dBc	-40 dBc (typ)	-50 dBc (typ)	-40 dBc (typ)
42.5 GHz to < 50 GHz	-45 dBc	-38 dBc (typ)	-45 dBc (typ)	-38 dBc (typ)
50 GHz to < 52.8 GHz	-40 dBc	-35 dBc (typ)	-40 dBc (typ)	-35 dBc (typ)
52.8 GHz to 54 GHz	-40 dBc	-35 dBc (typ)	-30 dBc (typ)	-35 dBc (typ)
> 54 GHz to < 55 GHz	-	-	-30 dBc (typ)	-35 dBc (typ)
55 GHz to < 65 GHz	-	-	-40 dBc (typ)	-35 dBc (typ)
65 GHz to < 70 GHz	-	-	-43 dBc (typ)	-35 dBc (typ)
70 GHz to < 76 GHz	-	-	-36 dBc (typ)	-35 dBc (typ)
76 GHz to < 86 GHz	-	-	-48 dBc (typ)	-35 dBc (typ)
86 GHz to < 92 GHz	-	-	-37 dBc (typ)	-35 dBc (typ)
92 GHz to < 96 GHz	-	-	-50 dBc (typ)	-35 dBc (typ)
96 GHz to 100 GHz	-	-	-35 dBc (typ)	-35 dBc (typ)

Fixed spurs with harmonic filters enabled (selectable with option 1EH), unless otherwise stated

Frequency	Level (constant over set power level)
DC – 1 MHz	-70 dBm (typ), present in all modes of operation
2.4 GHz	-70 dBm (typ)
3.6 GHz	-75 dBm (typ)
4.8 GHz	-75 dBm (typ)
8.4 GHz	-75 dBm (typ)
19.2 GHz	-100 dBm (typ)

Subharmonics

None

22 Performance is unspecified for harmonics beyond the specified frequency range. CW signal enabled with vector modulation. Specifications may degrade when vector modulation is not used.

23 Option 1EH cannot be combined with frequency options 506 or 508.

24 V3080A harmonic performance includes insertion loss from Keysight 1 meter cable (V3080A-60005) or 2 meter cable (V3080A-60006). For 3 meter cable (V3080A-60007), reduce power level by 5 dB (nom).

25 Standard harmonic specification applies ≤ +5 dBm between 7.25 GHz and 15 GHz. Standard harmonic specification applies ≤ 0 dBm between 21.6 GHz and 27 GHz. 1EH harmonic specification applies ≤ 0 dBm from 3.75 GHz to < 5.5 GHz and from 21.6 GHz to 27 GHz.

26 Excludes **fixed spurs with harmonic filters enabled**.

27 V3080A non-harmonic performance below 52.8 GHz measured at -10 dBm.

28 Performance may degrade in enhanced SNR mode. With harmonic filters enabled (selectable with option 1EH), specification applies at a maximum power of +5 dBm.

**Absolute SSB phase noise (CW in enhanced SNR mode at +10 dBm) (dBc/Hz) (Options ST6, 600), 22 to 28 °C, ( ) = typical, [ ] = measured**

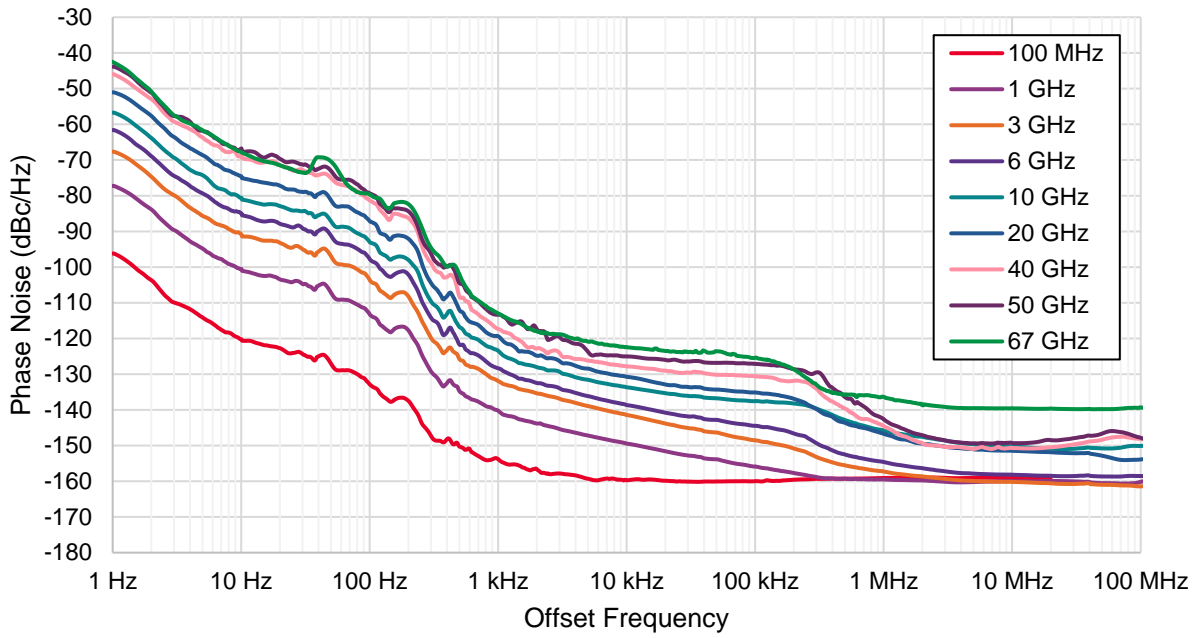
Frequency <sup>29</sup>	Offset								
	1 Hz	10 Hz	100 Hz	1 kHz	10 kHz	100 kHz	1 MHz	10 MHz	100 MHz
100 MHz	-82 (-91)	-110 (-117)	-125 (-130)	-145 (-150)	-151 (-158)	-153 (-158)	-152 (-158)	-153 (-158)	-
1 GHz	-62 (-72)	-90 (-97)	-105 (-110)	-135 (-139)	-144 (-148)	-151 (-155)	-153 (-159)	-154 (-159)	-154 (-159)
2 GHz	-56 (-65)	-84 (-91)	-99 (-104)	-129 (-133)	-138 (-143)	-146 (-150)	-152 (-158)	-154 (-159)	-155 (-160)
3 GHz	-52 (-62)	-80 (-87)	-95 (-101)	-126 (-130)	-135 (-140)	-143 (-147)	-150 (-156)	-154 (-159)	-155 (-160)
6 GHz	-46 (-56)	-75 (-81)	-89 (-95)	-123 (-127)	-132 (-137)	-140 (-143)	-148 (-154)	-152 (-157)	-152 (-157)
10 GHz	-42 (-51)	-71 (-77)	-84 (-90)	-118 (-121)	-129 (-132)	-133 (-136)	-139 (-144)	-143 (-149)	-142 (-148)
20 GHz	-39 (-48)	-65 (-71)	-80 (-85)	-114 (-118)	-124 (-129)	-131 (-134)	-140 (-145)	-145 (-150)	-146 (-152)
30 GHz	-36 (-46)	-59 (-67)	-72 (-79)	-112 (-117)	-123 (-128)	-130 (-133)	-137 (-145)	-143 (-149)	-138 (-145)
40 GHz	-35 (-44)	-59 (-65)	-70 (-77)	-110 (-115)	-122 (-127)	-126 (-130)	-137 (-145)	-143 (-148)	-138 (-145)
50 GHz	-34 (-41)	-57 (-63)	-67 (-75)	-108 (-112)	-120 (-123)	-122 (-125)	-133 (-140)	-143 (-148)	-138 (-145)
60 GHz	[-32]	[-66]	[-79]	[-114]	[-123]	[-125]	[-133]	[-136]	[-137]
70 GHz	[-40]	[-64]	[-80]	[-114]	[-123]	[-124]	[-137]	[-140]	[-140]
80 GHz	[-39]	[-64]	[-78]	[-112]	[-121]	[-123]	[-135]	[-138]	[-139]
90 GHz	[-37]	[-60]	[-76]	[-109]	[-120]	[-122]	[-134]	[-139]	[-140]

**Absolute SSB phase noise (CW in enhanced SNR mode at +10 dBm) (dBc/Hz) (Options ST5, 500), 22 to 28 °C, ( ) = typical, [ ] = measured**

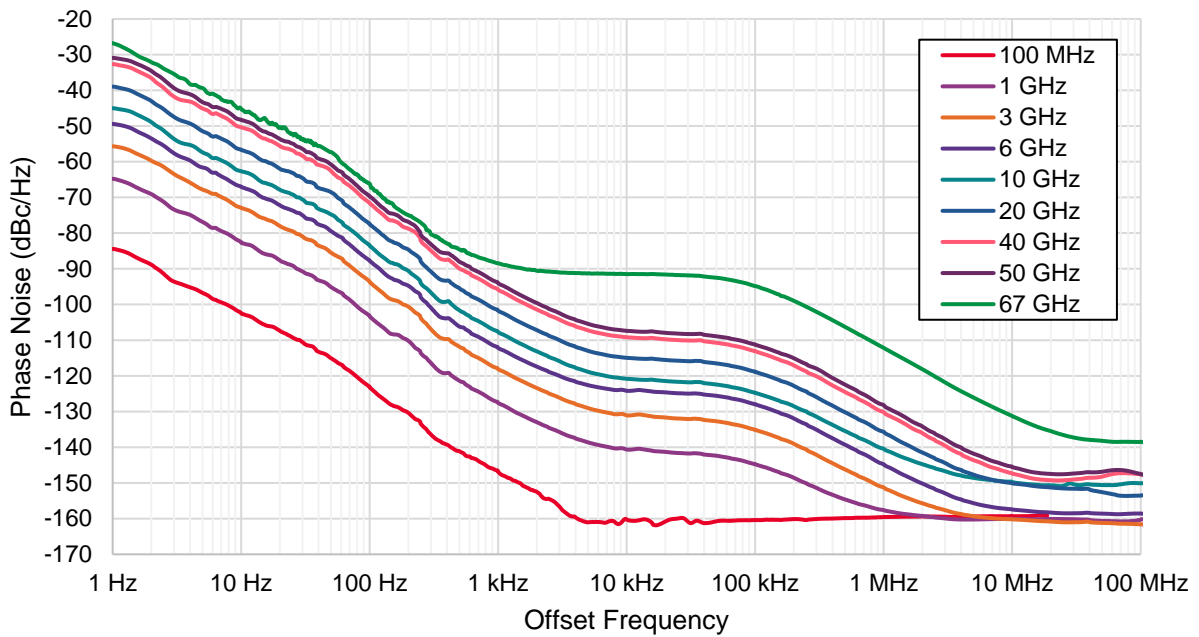
Frequency <sup>29</sup>	Offset								
	1 Hz	10 Hz	100 Hz	1 kHz	10 kHz	100 kHz	1 MHz	10 MHz	100 MHz
100 MHz	-80 (-83)	-99 (-101)	-119 (-122)	-140 (-144)	-150 (-155)	-153 (-158)	-152 (-158)	-153 (-158)	-
1 GHz	-60 (-63)	-78 (-81)	-99 (-102)	-124 (-127)	-137 (-140)	-142 (-144)	-152 (-157)	-154 (-159)	-153 (-159)
2 GHz	-54 (-57)	-73 (-76)	-93 (-96)	-119 (-121)	-131 (-134)	-136 (-138)	-149 (-153)	-154 (-159)	-153 (-158)
3 GHz	-51 (-54)	-69 (-72)	-90 (-92)	-115 (-117)	-128 (-130)	-132 (-134)	-146 (-150)	-153 (-158)	-153 (-159)
6 GHz	-44 (-48)	-62 (-66)	-83 (-86)	-109 (-111)	-121 (-124)	-125 (-127)	-140 (-144)	-152 (-156)	-152 (-157)
10 GHz	-40 (-43)	-58 (-61)	-79 (-82)	-105 (-107)	-118 (-120)	-122 (-124)	-134 (-139)	-142 (-147)	-140 (-147)
20 GHz	-34 (-37)	-52 (-55)	-73 (-76)	-99 (-101)	-112 (-114)	-116 (-118)	-130 (-135)	-143 (-148)	-143 (-150)
30 GHz	-29 (-33)	-48 (-51)	-69 (-72)	-95 (-97)	-108 (-111)	-113 (-115)	-127 (-132)	-139 (-145)	-136 (-143)
40 GHz	-27 (-31)	-46 (-49)	-67 (-70)	-93 (-95)	-106 (-108)	-110 (-112)	-125 (-129)	-140 (-145)	-137 (-144)
50 GHz	-26 (-29)	-43 (-47)	-65 (-68)	-91 (-93)	-104 (-107)	-108 (-111)	-123 (-127)	-139 (-144)	-138 (-144)
60 GHz	[-28]	[-46]	[-67]	[-88]	[-92]	[-95]	[-112]	[-131]	[-137]
70 GHz	[-28]	[-43]	[-66]	[-88]	[-90]	[-94]	[-111]	[-130]	[-140]
80 GHz	[-30]	[-41]	[-65]	[-86]	[-89]	[-93]	[-110]	[-129]	[-139]
90 GHz	[-25]	[-41]	[-64]	[-85]	[-88]	[-92]	[-109]	[-128]	[-139]

29 Frequency ≤ 50 GHz is applicable for standalone M9484C only. Frequency ≥ 60 GHz is applicable for M9484C with V3080A.

### Measured SSB Phase Noise (option ST6)

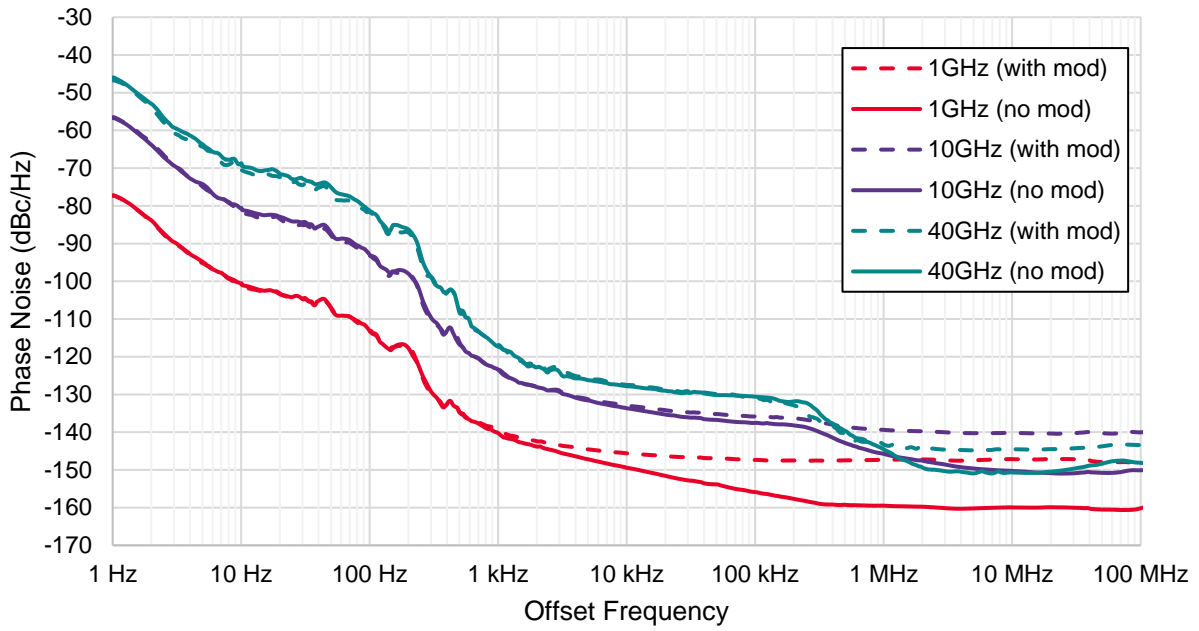


### Measured SSB Phase Noise (option ST5)

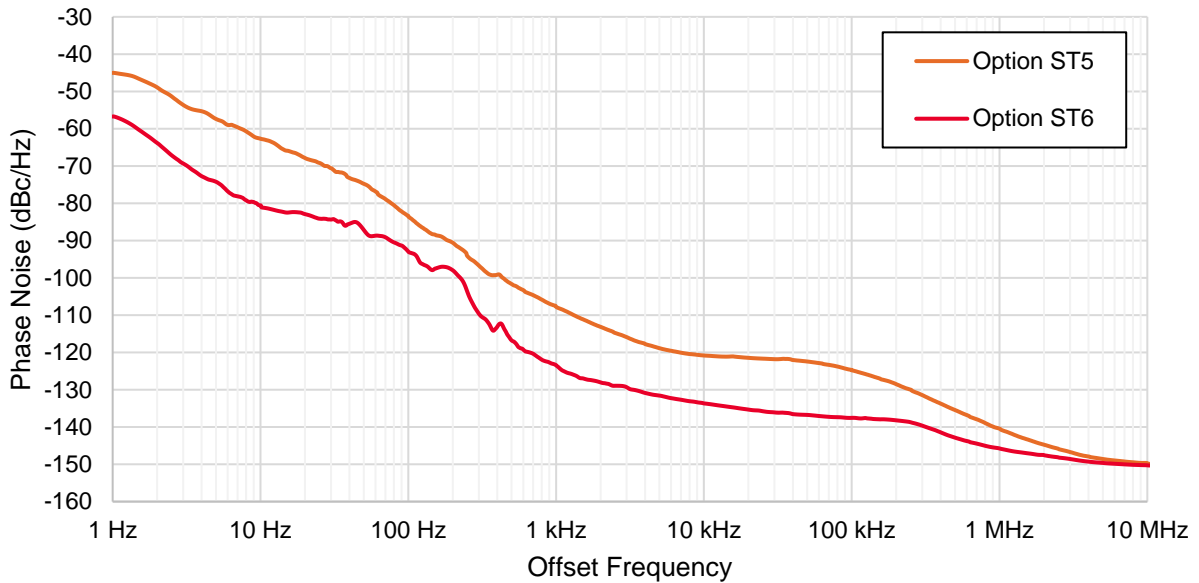




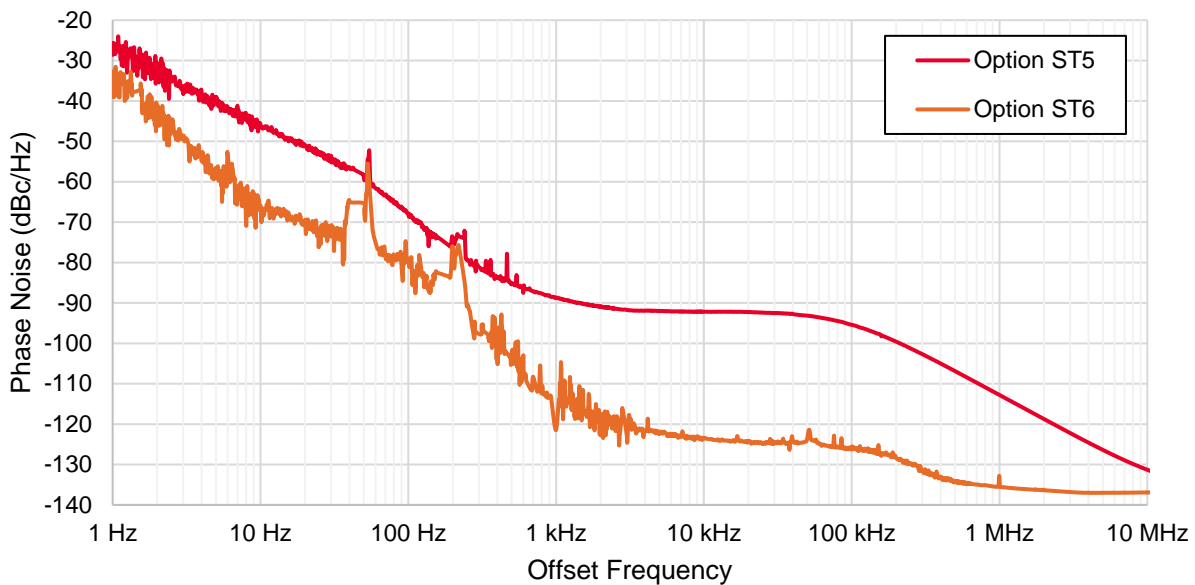
### Measured SSB Phase Noise with Modulation (option ST6)



### Measured Option ST5 vs. ST6 SSB Phase Noise at 10 GHz



Measured Option ST5 vs. ST6 SSB Phase Noise at 60 GHz



## Pulse Modulation (Option PMR or PME)

Pulse modulation<sup>30</sup>, temperature range 22 to 28 °C, ( ) = typ

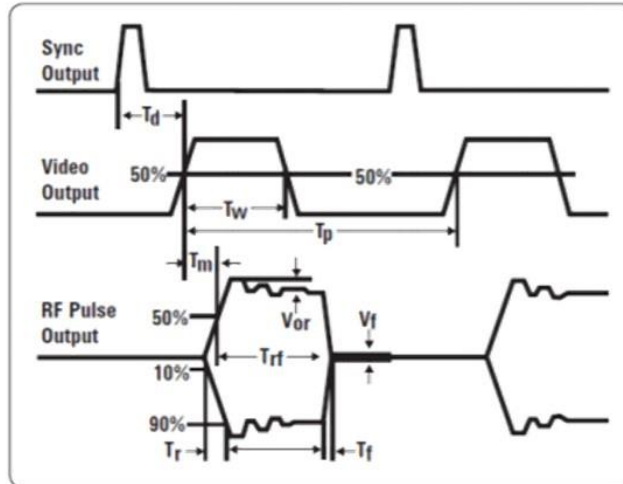
Pulse paths	Internal pulse generator		
Minimum pulse width (Tw) with duty cycle ≤ 50%, ALC on or off	Option PMR	20 ns	
	Option PME	30 ns	
On/off ratio <sup>31</sup>	100 MHz to 54 GHz	80 dB	
	> 54 GHz to 100 GHz <sup>32</sup>	(80 dB)	
Rise/fall times (Tr and Tf), ALC on or off	100 MHz to 54 GHz	10 ns (6 ns)	
	> 54 GHz to 100 GHz <sup>32</sup>	(10 ns)	
Level accuracy relative to CW	ALC state	ALC on	ALC off
	100 MHz to 20 GHz	± 0.6 dB	± 0.5 dB
	> 20 GHz to 45 GHz	± 1 dB	± 0.7 dB
	> 45 GHz to 54 GHz	± 1.5 dB	± 1 dB
Width compression	> 54 GHz to 100 GHz <sup>32</sup>	(± 1.5 dB)	(± 1 dB)
	100 MHz to 45 GHz	± 2 ns	
	> 45 GHz to 54 GHz	± 3 ns	
Video feed-through (Vf)	> 54 GHz to 100 GHz <sup>32</sup>	(± 3 ns)	
	100 MHz to < 1 GHz	< 50 mV p-p (< 25 mV p-p)	
	≥ 1 GHz to 54 GHz	< 25 mV p-p (< 12 mV p-p)	
Pulse overshoot	> 54 GHz to 100 GHz <sup>32</sup>	< 50 mV p-p)	
	100 MHz to 45 GHz	< 10%	
	> 45 GHz to 54 GHz	< 20%	
External pulse input	> 54 GHz to 100 GHz <sup>32</sup>	< 20%)	
	No analog pulse inputs allowed		

30 Specifications apply for center frequencies > 100 MHz. Cannot be used in combination with vector modulation.

31 On/off ratio excludes spurs.

32 Frequency > 54 GHz applies to M9484C with V3080A. For M9484C with V3080A at frequencies ≤ 54 GHz, pulse performance is nominal and cable and insertion loss of the V3080A should be considered.

- $T_d$  video delay (variable)
- $T_w$  video pulse width (variable)
- $T_p$  Pulse period (variable)
- $T_m$  RF delay
- $T_{rf}$  RF pulse width
- $T_f$  RF pulse fall time
- $T_r$  RF pulse rise time
- $V_{or}$  pulse overshoot
- $V_f$  video feedthrough



### Internal pulse generator (Option PMR or PME)

Modes	Square, free run, pulse train (Option 320, SCPI only), adjustable doublet, triggered		
Square wave rate	(50 MHz)/k from 0.1 Hz to 25 MHz where k is an integer (nom)		
Signal routing	Pulse trigger input	Trig 1	
	Pulse sync output	Event 1	
	Pulse video output	Event 2	
		<b>Option PMR</b>	<b>Option PME</b>
Pulse period (PRI) ( $T_p$ )	Free run	30 ns to 42 s	40 ns to 42 s
	Triggered modes	4.01 $\mu$ s to 42 s	4.01 $\mu$ s to 42 s
Pulse width ( $T_w$ )		20 ns to 42 s – 10 ns	30 ns to 42 s – 10 ns
Settable delay	Free run	-42 s – 10 ns to 42s – 30 ns	-42 s – 10 ns to 42s – 40 ns
	Triggered modes	0 to 42s – 30 ns	0 to 42s – 40 ns
Sync trigger width		20 ns to 42 s – 10 ns	30 ns to 42 s – 10 ns
Pulse train generator (Option 320, SCPI only) <sup>33</sup>	Number of pulse patterns	2047	2047
	On time range	20 ns to 42 s – 10 ns	30 ns to 42 s – 10 ns
	Off time range	10 ns to 42 s – 20 ns	10 ns to 42 s – 30 ns

<sup>33</sup> Requires option PMR or PME.

# Analog I/O (Option AN1)

Option AN1 adds input and output connectors to the M9484C VXG that are otherwise not present. The capability provided by option AN1 is described in the following section. These features may be enhanced with additional options.

## Analog I/O (Option AN1)

LF output		
Waveform	Sine	
Rate range	0.1 Hz to 10 MHz	
Resolution	0.1 Hz	
Frequency accuracy	Same as RF reference source (nom)	
LF audio output	0 to 5 V peak into 50 $\Omega$ (nom) -5V to 5V digital offset	
Single ended I/Q outputs		
Single ended I/Q outputs are included with option AN1. Option DIQ may also be added to enable differential I/Q outputs. Refer to <a href="#">I/Q baseband output</a> for more information.		
General purpose trigger/marker inputs/outputs		
15 additional general purpose inputs/outputs that can be configured for use as triggers or markers. Three utilize SMB connectors. The remaining 12 are accessed with the Aux I/O port. An accessory cable to simplify interfacing with the Aux I/O port can be ordered as Y1308A.		
SMB type connectors (Trig A, B, C)	Input range	5 V
	Input impedance	50 $\Omega$ or 10 k $\Omega$
	Output level	3.3 V
	Output impedance	50 $\Omega$
Aux I/O	Input range	3.3 V
	Input impedance	10 k $\Omega$
	Output level	3.3 V
	Output impedance	50 $\Omega$

# Analog Modulation

## I/Q based analog modulation (N7642APPC)

This section describes the functionality provided by N7642APPC PathWave Signal Generation for I/Q based amplitude modulation. External inputs are not supported. See [user documentation](#) for additional details.

Amplitude modulation		
Waveform	Sine, dual-sine, triangle, ramp up, ramp down, square	
AM Rate	Sine	1 Hz to (maximum baseband bandwidth / 2) <sup>34</sup>
	All other waveforms	1 Hz to (maximum baseband bandwidth / 16) <sup>34</sup>
AM Depth	0 to 100%	
Frequency modulation		
Waveform	Sine, dual-sine, triangle, ramp up, ramp down, square	
FM Rate	Sine	1 Hz to (maximum baseband bandwidth / 4) <sup>34</sup>
	All other waveforms	1 Hz to (maximum baseband bandwidth / 16) <sup>34</sup>
FM Deviation	0 Hz to 50 MHz	
Phase modulation		
Waveform	Sine, dual-sine, triangle, ramp up, ramp down, square	
PM Rate	Sine	1 Hz to (maximum baseband bandwidth / 4) <sup>34</sup>
	All other waveforms	1 Hz to (maximum baseband bandwidth / 16) <sup>34</sup>
PM Deviation	0 to 10 radians	

<sup>34</sup> See [RF \(I+Q\) bandwidth](#) table for available modulation bandwidth.

# Vector Modulation (Options Bxx, Rxx)

## Internal I/Q baseband generator adjustments

Internal I and Q offset	$\pm 20\%$ (0.1% resolution)
Internal I/Q quadrature angle	$\pm 20^\circ$ (0.001° resolution)
Internal I/Q gain balance	$\pm 10$ dB (0.001 dB resolution)
Internal I/Q time skew	$\pm 33.33$ ns (100 fs resolution)
I/Q common delay range	0 to 16.667 ns
I/Q common delay resolution	100 fs

## I/Q baseband output (Option AN1 and DIQ)

Type	Single ended (AN1), differential (DIQ)	
Output impedance	Single ended	50 $\Omega$ (nom)
	Differential	100 $\Omega$ (nom)
Frequency range	DC to 1.2 GHz (nom) for each output (2.4 GHz composite IQ)	
Common mode I/Q offset	$\pm 1.5$ V (50 $\mu$ V resolution) (meas)	
Differential mode I or Q offset	$\pm 1.5$ V (50 $\mu$ V resolution) (meas)	
Single ended amplitude per port	Up to 200 MHz	1.9 Vp-p or 0.95 Vp into 50 $\Omega$ (nom)
	Up to 600 MHz	1.6 Vp-p or 0.8 Vp into 50 $\Omega$ (nom)
	Up to 1.2 GHz	1 Vp-p or 0.5 Vp into 50 $\Omega$ (nom)
SFDR without harmonics (sine)	100 MHz or 1 GHz single tone at 500 mV	-70 dBc (meas)
SFDR with harmonics (sine)	100 MHz single tone at 500 mV	-60 dBc (meas)
Noise floor	1 GHz tone at 900 mV Vpeak, 10 MHz offset, measured on I channel output	-155 dBc/Hz (meas)

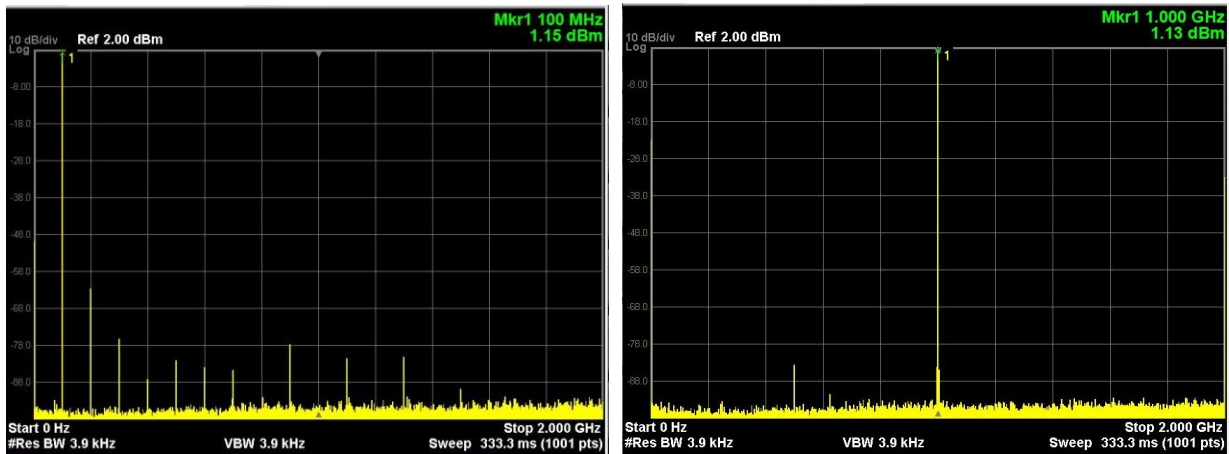


Figure 2. (Left) Measured IQ output, 100 MHz tone spectrum. (Right) Measured IQ output, 1 GHz tone spectrum.

### Internal real-time complex digital I/Q filters

Factory channel corrections – corrects the linear phase and amplitude response of the RF outputs of the signal generator using factory calibration arrays.

### Carrier leakage

None (direct digital modulation, no IQ modulator)

### Frequency response over available modulation bandwidth<sup>35</sup>

Center frequency	M9484C		V3080A <sup>36</sup>	
	Amplitude	Phase	Amplitude	Phase
400 MHz to 21.6 GHz	±0.25 dB (meas)	±5° (meas)	±0.25 dB (meas)	±5° (meas)
> 21.6 GHz to 35 GHz	±0.25 dB (meas)	±5° (meas)	±0.25 dB (meas)	±5° (meas)
> 35 GHz to 52.8 GHz	±0.5 dB (meas)	±10° (meas)	±1.0 dB (meas)	±10° (meas)
> 52.8 GHz to 54 GHz	±0.5 dB (meas)	±10° (meas)	±0.6 dB (meas)	±5° (meas)
> 54 GHz to 70 GHz	-	-	±0.5 dB (meas)	±10° (meas)
> 70 GHz to 100 GHz	-	-	±1.0 dB (meas)	±10° (meas)

### User defined automatic channel response correction and S-parameter de-embedding (N7653APPC)

#### Methods for fixture error removal

Scatter parameters de-embedding/embedding files generated by a network analyzer or simulation

Automatic channel response correction using a power sensor or spectrum analyzer (amplitude and phase correction)

Scaler user flatness (absolute power correction)

#### Scatter parameters

File format	.s2p, .csv
Number of cascadeable calibration sets	4

#### Automated channel response correction (512 taps)<sup>37</sup>

Recommended maximum amplitude for error correction	± 5 dB across modulation bandwidth
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#### User flatness

File format	.uflat, .csv
Entry modes	USB or LAN direct power meter control

### Instrument nonlinear correction (N7653APPC)

Improve the characteristics of the generated signal by digitally predistorting the waveform to reduce distortion components.

<sup>35</sup> See **RF (I+Q) bandwidth** table for available modulation bandwidth.

<sup>36</sup> V3080A performance applies after an **RF channel flatness adjustment** completed using an N9042B UXA signal analyzer and V3050A signal analyzer frequency extender. For frequencies ≤ 52.8 GHz, measured at power levels between -15 dBm and -25 dBm. For frequencies > 52.8 GHz, measured at power levels between -10 dBm and -20 dBm.

<sup>37</sup> Automated routine uses power sensor to correct for linear amplitude response of DUT (equalizer). See **User Documentation** for more details.

# Internal Baseband Generator (Options Bxx, Rxx)

## Definitions

Channel or port	The number of physical RF outputs
Signal <sup>38</sup>	By default, each channel can generate one signal (ex: one waveform file). When option 8SG is included, each channel can generate up to 8 signals, which are summed and played out of the single RF output.
Group	A group can contain 1 to 8 signals assigned to a channel

## Internal baseband generator (Options Bxx, Rxx)

I/Q file resolution	16 bits
Waveform granularity	1 sample
Frequency offset	± half of maximum baseband bandwidth
Signal attenuation	0 to -100 dB
Sample rate resolution	10 μHz
Interpolated I/Q rate	Fixed 3 GHz

## RF (I + Q) bandwidth<sup>39</sup> and sample rate

Option	RF (I + Q) bandwidth (nom)	Sample rate (nom)
Option B1X	160 MHz	200 MSa/s
Option B2X	250 MHz	300 MSa/s
Option B5X	500 MHz	600 MSa/s
Option R10	1 GHz	1.2 GS/s
Option R25	2.5 GHz	3 GS/s

## RF (I + Q) bandwidth<sup>39</sup> and sample rate, limited options

Option Frequency	Option R1E		Option R2E	
	RF (I + Q) bandwidth (nom)	Sample rate (nom)	RF (I + Q) bandwidth (nom)	Sample rate (nom)
9 kHz to ≤ 5.75 GHz	1 GHz	1.2 GS/s	2.5 GHz	3 GS/s
> 5.75 GHz to ≤ 31.25 GHz	1 GHz	1.2 GS/s	2.2 GHz	3 GS/s
> 31.25 GHz to ≤ 31.838 GHz	1 GHz	1.2 GS/s	1 GHz	3 GS/s
> 31.838 GHz to < 36.962 GHz	550 MHz	1.2 GS/s	550 MHz	3 GS/s
36.962 GHz to < 37.55 GHz	1 GHz	1.2 GS/s	1 GHz	3 GS/s
37.55 GHz to 54 GHz	1 GHz	1.2 GS/s	2.2 GHz	3 GS/s
> 54 GHz to < 89.05 GHz <sup>40</sup>	1 GHz	1.2 GS/s	2.2 GHz	3 GS/s
89.05 GHz to 110 GHz <sup>40</sup>	1 GHz	1.2 GS/s	2.5 GHz	3 GS/s

## Channel bonding (Option CB5)

Using an external combiner<sup>41</sup>, bond 2 channels to play waveform files with a maximum bandwidth of 5 GHz. Requires a multi-channel M9484C with option PCH, option R25 on each channel, N7653APPC PathWave Signal Generation, and a supported Keysight X-Series Signal Analyzer (N9030B, N9040B, N9041B, N9042B) to perform the necessary alignment. See [User Documentation](#) for details.

## Arbitrary waveform memory

Maximum arbitrary waveform playback memory	Standard with Option B1X or B2X	64 MSa
	Standard with Option B5X, R10, R1E, R25, or R2E	256 MSa
	Option M05	512 MSa
	Option M10	1024 MSa
	Option M20	2048 MSa
	Option M40	4096 MSa
Maximum storage capacity including other user data	32 GB shared with operating systems (nom)	

38 When AWGN or CW Interferer are enabled, option 8SG provides 7 signals.

39 Lower edge of modulated signal is not recommended to extend below 10 MHz. Upper edge of modulated signal is not recommended to extend above 8.5 GHz (option 508), 21 GHz (option 520), or 54 GHz (option 554).

40 Frequency range is valid for M9484C with V3080A.

41 Available as accessory kits Y1166A and Y1167A. See [Configuration Guide](#) for details.

## Waveform segments

Segment length	512 samples <sup>42</sup> to maximum arbitrary waveform playback memory
Memory allocation blocking factor	256 samples

## Waveform sequences

Maximum number of segments per sequence <sup>43</sup>	65,280
Maximum number of repetitions	2 <sup>32</sup> -1

## Triggers

Trigger types	Continuous, single	
Trigger sources	Trigger key, external, bus (LAN, GPIB), global trigger (option PCH)	
Trigger modes	Continuous Single	Free run, trigger and run, reset and run Buffered trigger, no retrigger, restart on trigger
Trigger features	External trigger playback synchronization	
Trigger delay range	0 to 41 s	
Trigger delay resolution	333 ps	
I/Q delay range	See Internal I/Q baseband generator adjustments section	
I/Q delay resolution	See Internal I/Q baseband generator adjustments section	
Trigger jitter	± 1.67 ns (1/300 MHz clock rate)	
Trigger latency	Reset and run, single restart on trigger All other trigger modes	4 us (nom) to stop, 37 μs (nom) to start of playback for sample rates > 1.7 MSa/s <sup>44</sup> 4 μs (nom)

## Multi-channel baseband synchronization primary/secondary (Option PCH and SNC<sup>45</sup>)

Global trigger delay range	0 to 41 s
Global trigger delay resolution	333 ps
Global trigger jitter	± 10 ns (nom) relative to asynchronous external system trigger event
Global trigger channel-to-channel relative trigger repeatability	< ± 5 ps (nom)

## Markers

Markers are defined in a segment during the waveform generation process. Markers can be routed to the external outputs. See User's Documentation for more information.

Marker polarity	Positive
Number of markers	4
Marker routing	Event 1-3, Trig 1-3, Trig A-C, AIO 1-12 via aux connector < 52 ps (nom) (sample rate is a submultiple of 3 GHz)
Marker to waveform jitter (event outputs)	< 333 ps (nom) (sample rate is not a submultiple of 3 GHz)
Marker to waveform jitter (trigger outputs)	< 1.67 ns (nom)
Marker edge update rate	1.67 ns
Marker combining (option 8SG)	Multiple markers can be combined on one output connector via an OR operation

## AWGN (Option 403)

Type	Real-time	
Modes of operation	Standalone signal <sup>46</sup> or digitally added to signals <sup>47</sup>	
Bandwidth	1.6 Hz to maximum baseband bandwidth, 0.8 Hz resolution	
Crest factor	Standalone signal Digitally added to signals	21.8 dB (nom) 18.5 dB (nom)
Randomness	Standalone signal Digitally added to signals	6 hours 194 years at 2.5 GHz bandwidth
Carrier-to-noise ratio	± 100 dB when added to signal	
Carrier-to-noise ratio formats	C/N, Eb/No	

42 Waveforms with fewer samples will be repeated or extended as selected.

43 Sequence memory is shared with all signals on a channel. The consumption is non-uniform based on size of waveforms, trigger type, and nested sequences.

44 Contact Keysight for sample rates ≤ 1.7 MSa/s

45 Option SNC requires option PCH on all M9484Cs and appropriate cabling of LOs and trigger lines between M9484Cs to achieve results, taking fanout limitations into consideration.

46 With option 8SG, each of the 8 signals can support independently tunable AWGN.

47 When AWGN is enabled, option 8SG provides 7 signals.



### CW interferer (Option 403)

Type	Real-time
Modes of operation <sup>48</sup>	Standalone signal or digitally added to signals
Power control	Absolute, relative to signal power
Frequency offset	± half of maximum baseband bandwidth <sup>49</sup>

### Single tone, multitone and noise power ratio (NPR) (N7621APPC)

Type	Arbitrary waveform file	
Number of tones	Multitone mode	2 to 200,001
	Single tone mode <sup>50</sup>	1
Tone spacing	100 Hz to Floor [(maximum baseband bandwidth <sup>49</sup> )/((number of tones) - 1)/100] * 100	
Phase distribution	Random, constant, parabolic	
Number of notches	0 to 20	
Corrections <sup>51</sup>	In-band and out-of-band pre-distortion for intermodulation distortion (IMD) products or adjacent channel power ratio (ACPR), including flatness correction	

### Eight virtual signal generators (Option 8SG)

Combined signal sample rate	≤ 3 GSa/s
Combined signal bandwidth	≤ maximum baseband bandwidth <sup>49</sup>
Individual signal sample rate	≤ maximum sample rate <sup>49</sup>
Individual signal frequency offset	± half of maximum baseband bandwidth <sup>49</sup>
Individual signal phase offset	± 360°
Individual signal attenuation	0 to -100 dB

### 3GPP MIMO Fading (5G NR FR1 & FR2, LTE) (N7605AP0C)<sup>52</sup>

M9484C configuration	MIMO order (user selectable)	
	Without eight virtual signal generators (Option 8SG)	With eight virtual signal generators (Option 8SG)
One channel (001)	1x1	1x1, 2x1, 4x1, 8x1
Two channels (002, PCH)	1x1, 1x2	1x1, 1x2, 2x1, 2x2, 4x1, 4x2, 8x1, 8x2
Four channels (004, PCH)	1x1, 1x2, 1x4	1x1, 1x2, 1x4, 2x1, 2x2, 2x4, 4x1, 4x2, 4x4, 8x1, 8x2, 8x4
Eight channels (SNC)	1x1, 1x2, 1x4, 1x8	1x1, 1x2, 1x4, 1x8, 2x1, 2x2, 2x4, 2x8, 4x1, 4x2, 4x4, 4x8, 8x1, 8x2, 8x4, 8x8

Supported channel models	
5G	Static, TDLA10/30, TDLB100, TDLC300, TDLD10/30, UL Timing Scenario X/Y/Z, HST Scenario 1/3/4
LTE	Static, EPA1/5, EVA5/70, ETU1/5/70/200/300/600, UL Timing Scenario 1/2, HST Scenario 1/3

### Signal descriptor word streaming (including pulse descriptor word (PDW))<sup>53</sup>

Option SDW	SDW option enables agile control of frequency, amplitude, phase, time, and waveform inside the instantaneous bandwidth of the baseband. Each SDW (PDW) will address an IQ waveform segment or create the IQ in real time, including pulse modulation. The SDW packets can be streamed from a file or over LAN for dynamic long duration scenarios.
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### Virtual channels

Enables the simultaneous stream of SDW channels within IF bandwidth	
Option 2CH	Enables up to 2 simultaneous SDW streams
Option 4CH	Enables up to 4 simultaneous SDW streams
Option 8CH	Enables up to 8 simultaneous SDW streams

48 When CW interferer is enabled, option 8SG provides 7 signals.

49 For maximum baseband bandwidth and sample rate, see [RF \(I+Q\) bandwidth and sample rate](#).

50 Single tone generates a single CW tone at a specified offset to the channel's RF frequency.

51 Correction requires signal analyzer. See [User Documentation](#) for details.

52 See [User Documentation](#) for additional details.

53 Signal descriptor word streaming (SDW) and virtual channel options (2CH, 4CH, and 8CH) are controlled for export under the International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR). A license from the U.S. Department of State is required prior to the export of these options from the United States.

# Multi-instrument Synchronization (Option SNC)

## Multi-instrument synchronization mechanism

Basic multi-instrument synchronization	
Number of endpoints	Up to 8
Instrument configuration	Any configuration combination, see multi-instrument synchronization configurations for details and limitations
Operating modes	With leader, independent

## Multi-instrument synchronization configurations

The leader instrument must be able to supply the required inputs to each follower. For configurations where the number of required follower inputs exceeds the available leader outputs, a power splitter or distribution amplifier may be required. See [Startup Guide](#) for input/output power level requirements.

Basic multi-instrument synchronization						
Number of channels	Hardware Configuration		Number of available outputs as a leader		Number of required inputs as a follower	
	Maximum frequency	Endpoints	19.2 GHz	2.4 GHz	19.2 GHz	2.4 GHz
1 (Opt. 001)	6 GHz or 8.5 GHz (opt. 506 or 508)	1	3	0	1	0
	14 GHz or 20 GHz (opt. 514 or 520)	1	1	1	1	1
	31.8 GHz, 44 GHz, or 54 GHz (opt. 532, 544, or 554)	1	1	1	1	1
	31.8 GHz, 44 GHz, or 54 GHz (opt. 532, 544, or 554) with one V3080A	1	1	1	1	1
2 (Opt. 001 and 002)	6 GHz or 8.5 GHz (opt. 506 or 508)	2	2	0	2	0
	14 GHz or 20 GHz (opt. 514 or 520)	2	1	1	1	1
	31.8 GHz, 44 GHz, or 54 GHz (opt. 532, 544, or 554)	1	1	1	1	1
	31.8 GHz, 44 GHz, or 54 GHz (opt. 532, 544, or 554) with one V3080A	1	1	1	1	1
	31.8 GHz, 44 GHz, or 54 GHz (opt. 532, 544, or 554) with two V3080As	1	1	1	1	1
4 (Opt. 001, 002, 003, and 004)	6 GHz or 8.5 GHz (opt. 506 or 508)	1	2	0	1	0
	14 GHz or 20 GHz (opt. 514 or 520)	1	1	1	1	1

# Error Vector Magnitude (EVM)

EVM for 5G NR FR1 bands, -10 dBm to +5 dBm, Option ST6

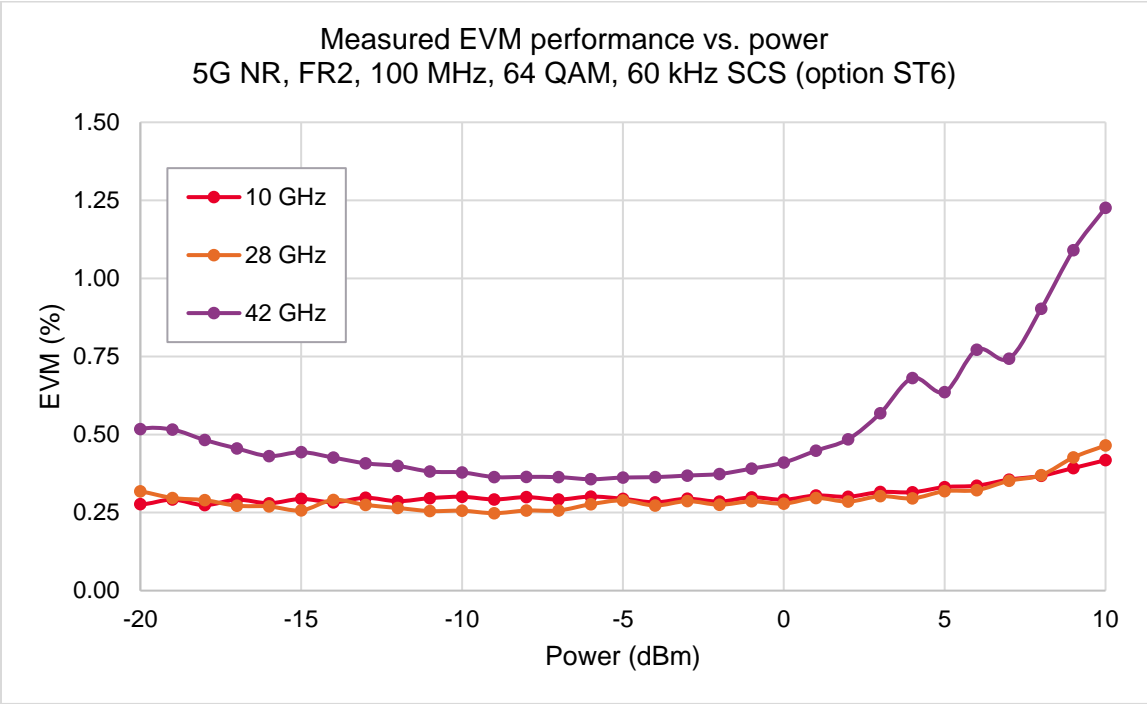
Frequency	100 MHz, 256QAM, 60 kHz SCS, NRB = 135
2 GHz	0.17% (meas)
4.5 GHz	0.21% (meas)

EVM for 5G NR FR2 bands and IFs, -10 dBm to +5 dBm, Option ST6

Frequency	100 MHz, 64QAM, 60 kHz SCS	400 MHz, 256QAM, 120 kHz SCS, NRB = 264
10 GHz	0.35% (meas)	0.63% (meas)
12 GHz	0.35% (meas)	0.63% (meas)
24 GHz	0.35% (meas)	0.63% (meas)
28 GHz	0.35% (meas)	0.63% (meas)
39 GHz	0.40% (meas)	0.71% (meas)
42 GHz	0.58% (meas)	0.79% (meas)
70 GHz <sup>54</sup>	1.07% (meas)	1.23% (meas)

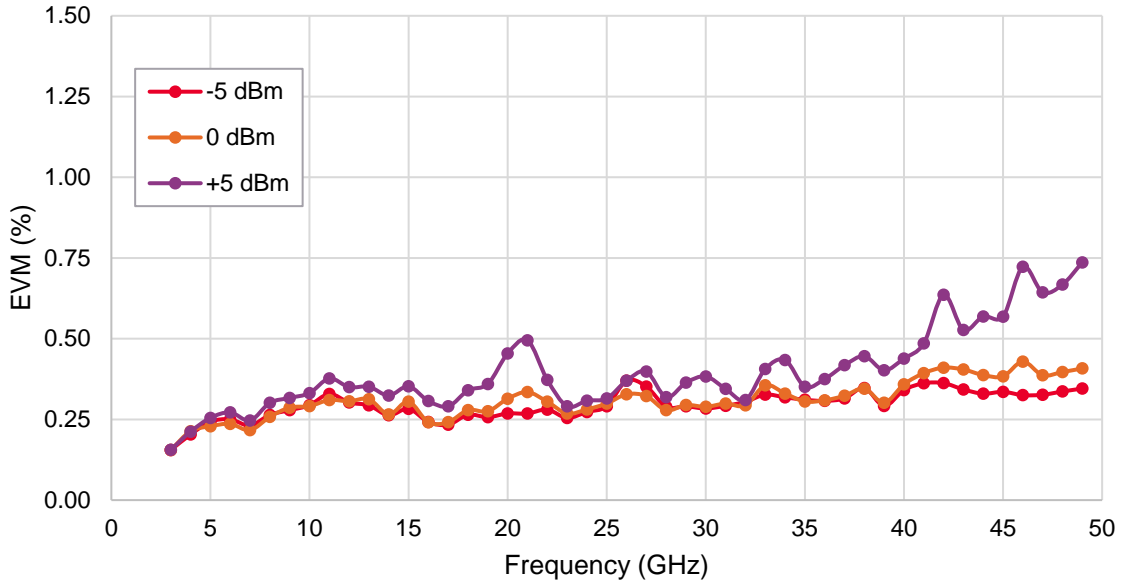
EVM for WLAN, -10 dBm to 0 dBm, Option ST6

Frequency	802.11be, 320 MHz, MCS13, 300 μs, Ch Estimation Seq Only
7 GHz	-50 dB (meas)

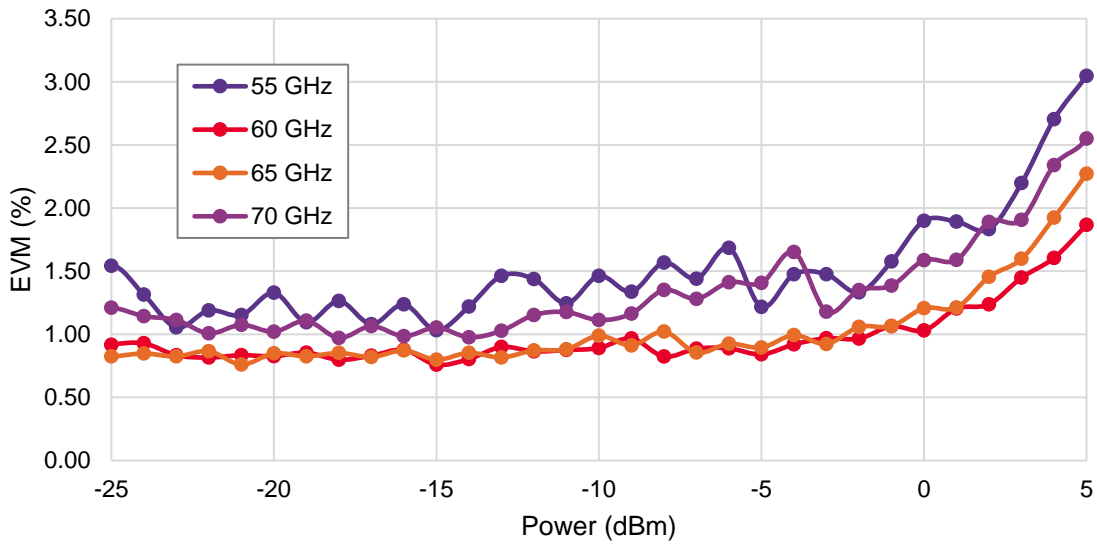


<sup>54</sup> Valid for M9484C with V3080A from -25 dBm to -10 dBm, using cross-correlated EVM measurement technique. Modulation format of waveform at 70 GHz is 64QAM.

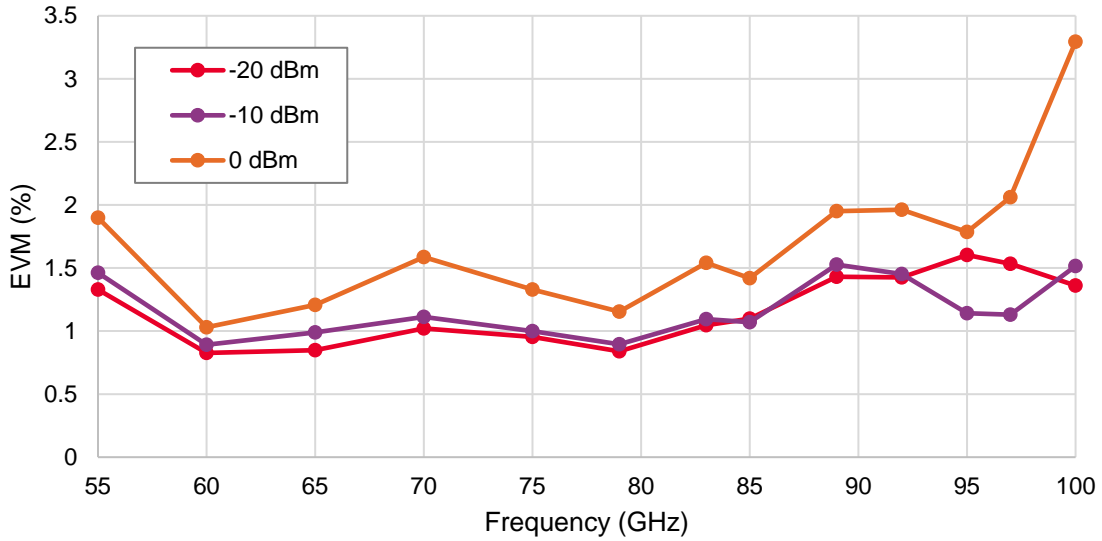
Measured EVM performance vs. frequency  
 5G NR, FR2, 100 MHz, 64 QAM, 60 kHz SCS (option ST6)



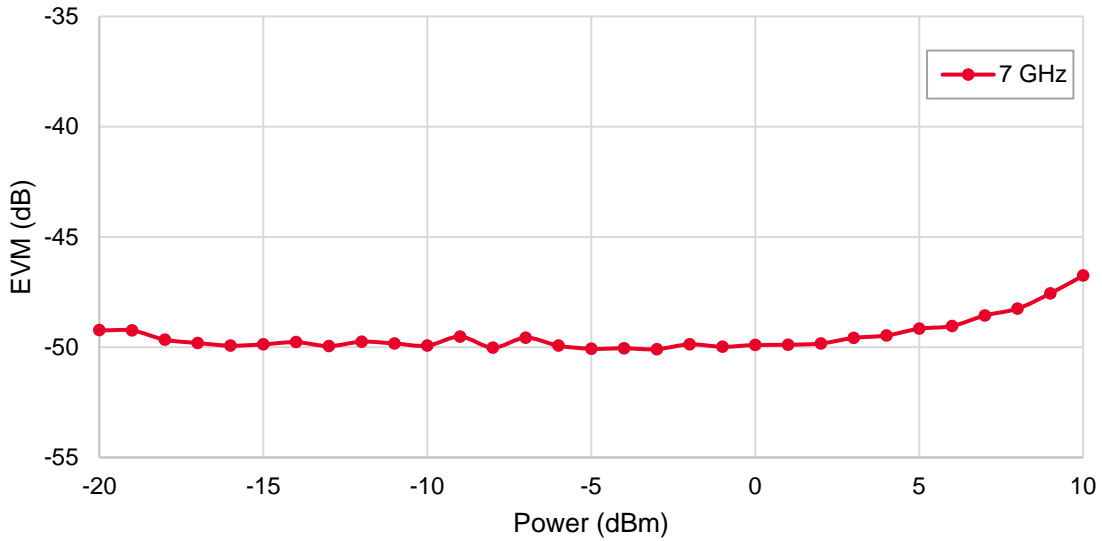
Measured ccEVM performance vs power with V3080A  
 5G NR, 100 MHz, 64 QAM, 60 kHz SCS (option ST6, AL2)



Measured ccEVM performance vs. frequency with V3080A  
 5G NR, 100 MHz, 64 QAM, 120 kHz SCS (option ST6, AL2)



Measured EVM performance vs power  
 WLAN 802.11be, 320 MHz, MCS13, 300  $\mu$ s,  
 Ch Estimation Seq Only



# Distortion Performance (Adjacent Channel Power Ratio)

3GPP LTE-FDD distortion performance, -10 dBm to +5 dBm<sup>55</sup>, () = typ

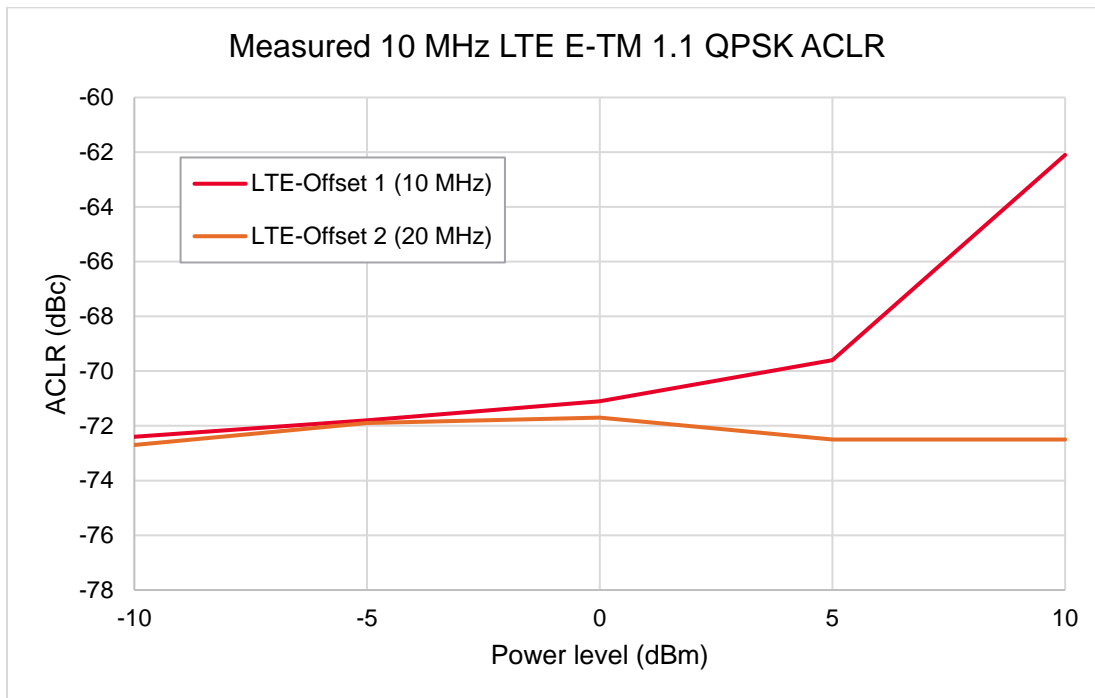
10 MHz E-TM 1.1 QPSK			
Frequency	Offset <sup>56</sup>	Options 506, 508	Options 514, 520, 532, 544, 554
1800 to 2200 MHz	Adjacent (10 MHz)	-64 dBc (-68 dBc)	-63 dBc (-67 dBc)
	Alternate (20 MHz)	-65 dBc (-68 dBc)	-63 dBc (-67 dBc)

5G NR FR1 bands distortion performance, -10 dBm to +5 dBm, Options 506, 508, 514, 520

Frequency	100 MHz, 256QAM, 120 kHz SCS, NRB = 135
3.4 GHz	-56 dBc (meas)

5G NR FR2 bands and IFs distortion performance, -10 dBm to +5 dBm

Frequency	100 MHz, 256QAM, 120 kHz SCS, NRB = 66	400 MHz, 256QAM, 120 kHz SCS, NRB = 264	8cc x 100 MHz (800 MHz), 256QAM, 120 kHz SCS, NRB = 66	14cc x 100 MHz (1.4 GHz), 256QAM, 60 kHz SCS, NRB = 66
9 GHz to 20 GHz	-56 dBc (typ)	-51 dBc (typ)	-48 dBc (typ)	-45 dBc (typ)
> 20 GHz to 30 GHz	-51 dBc (typ)	-46 dBc (typ)	-45 dBc (typ)	-41 dBc (typ)
> 30 GHz to 50 GHz	-50 dBc (typ) <sup>57</sup>	-43 dBc (typ) <sup>57</sup>	-42 dBc (typ) <sup>57</sup>	-38 dBc (typ) <sup>57</sup>
> 50 GHz to < 52.8 GHz	-46 dBc (typ) <sup>58</sup>	-41 dBc (typ) <sup>58</sup>	-38 dBc (typ) <sup>58</sup>	-35 dBc (typ) <sup>58</sup>
52.8 GHz to 71 GHz <sup>59</sup>	-43 dBc (typ)	-40 dBc (typ)	-36 dBc (typ)	n/a



55 This is rms power. Convert from rms to peak envelope power with the following equation: PEP = rms power + crest factor (for example, 3GPP test model 1 with 64 DPCH has a crest factor 11.5 dB, therefore at +5 dBm rms, the PEP = 5 dBm + 11.5 dB = +16.5 dBm PEP).

56 ACPR measurement configuration: reference channel integration BW: 9.015 MHz, offset channel integration bandwidth: 9.015 MHz.

57 Valid over power range from -5 dBm to +5 dBm.

58 Valid over power range from -10 dBm to 0 dBm.

59 Frequency range valid for M9484C with V3080A.

# Remote Programming

## Remote programming

Interfaces	GPIB (IEEE-488.2,1987) with listen and talk, and 1000BaseT LAN interface
Control languages	SCPI version 1999.0
IEEE-488 functions	SH1, AH1, T6, TE0, L4, LE0, SR1, RL1, PP0, DC1, DT0, C0, E2
Keysight IO libraries	Keysight's IO Library Suite helps you quickly establish an error-free connection between your PC and instruments – regardless of the vendor. It provides robust instrument control and works with the software development environment you choose.

# General Specifications

## Environmental specifications and regulatory compliance (nom)

Temperature	Operating	1 and 2-channel configurations (Opt. 001, 002)	5 to 50 °C
		4-channel configurations (Opt. 004)	5 to 40 °C
	Storage	-40 to +70 °C	
Type tested maximum relative humidity		95% RH up to 40 °C, decreases linearly to 57% RH at 50 °C <sup>60</sup>	
Altitude	Operating	3,000 m (Up to 10,000 feet approx.)	
	Storage	4,572 m (Up to 15,000 feet)	
EMC		Complies with European EMC Directive – IEC/EN 61326-1 – CISPR Pub 11 Group 1, class A – AS/NZS CISPR 11 – ICES/NMB-001 This ISM device complies with Canadian ICES-001. Cet appareil ISM est conforme a la norme NMB-001 du Canada.	
Environmental testing		Samples of this product have been type tested in accordance with the Keysight Environmental Test Manual and verified to be robust against the environmental stresses of storage, transportation and end-use. Those stresses include but are not limited to temperature, humidity, shock, vibration, altitude and power-line conditions. Test methods are aligned with IEC 60068-2 and levels are similar to MIL-PRF-28800F Class 3.	

<sup>60</sup> From 40 °C to 50 °C, the maximum % relative humidity follows the line of constant dew point.

#### Power requirements (nom)

Number of channels	Maximum frequency	Power requirements	Typical power consumption
1 (Opt. 001)	6 GHz or 8.5 GHz (opt. 506 or 508)	100/120 VAC, 50/60/400 Hz, 1350 W Max 220/240 VAC, 50/60 Hz, 2000W Max.	550 W
	14 GHz or 20 GHz (opt. 514 or 520)	100/120 VAC, 50/60/400 Hz, 1350 W Max 220/240 VAC, 50/60 Hz, 2000W Max.	600 W
	31.8 GHz, 44 GHz, or 54 GHz (opt. 532, 544, or 554)	100/120 VAC, 50/60/400 Hz, 1350 W Max 220/240 VAC, 50/60 Hz, 2000W Max.	800 W
	31.8 GHz, 44 GHz, or 54 GHz (opt. 532, 544, or 554) with one V3080A	100/120 VAC, 50/60/400 Hz, 1350 W Max 220/240 VAC, 50/60 Hz, 2000W Max.	821 W
2 (Opt. 001 and 002)	6 GHz or 8.5 GHz (opt. 506 or 508)	100/120 VAC, 50/60/400 Hz, 1350 W Max 220/240 VAC, 50/60 Hz, 2000W Max.	750 W
	14 GHz or 20 GHz (opt. 514 or 520)	100/120 VAC, 50/60/400 Hz, 1350 W Max 220/240 VAC, 50/60 Hz, 2000W Max.	860 W
	31.8 GHz, 44 GHz, or 54 GHz (opt. 532, 544, or 554)	100/120 VAC, 50/60/400 Hz, 1350 W Max 220/240 VAC, 50/60 Hz, 2000W Max.	1200 W
	31.8 GHz, 44 GHz, or 54 GHz (opt. 532, 544, or 554) with one V3080A	200/220/240 VAC, 50/60 Hz, 2000W Max.	1221 W
	31.8 GHz, 44 GHz, or 54 GHz (opt. 532, 544, or 554) with two V3080As	200/220/240 VAC, 50/60 Hz, 2000W Max.	1242 W
4 (Opt. 001, 002, 003, and 004)	6 GHz or 8.5 GHz (opt. 506 or 508)	100/120 VAC, 50/60/400 Hz, 1350 W Max 220/240 VAC, 50/60 Hz, 2000W Max.	1200 W
	14 GHz or 20 GHz (opt. 514 or 520)	200/220/240 VAC, 50/60 Hz, 2000W Max.	1500 W

#### M9484C physical specifications (nom)

	Configuration	One channel (001)	Two channels (002)	Four channels (004)
Weight	Options 506, 508	61.4 lbs.	66.0 lbs.	76.2 lbs.
	Options 514, 520	63.0 lbs.	67.6 lbs.	77.8 lbs.
	Options 532, 544, 554	64.5 lbs.	73.2 lbs.	-
Dimensions	Height		194.6 mm	
	Width with strap handles		461.5 mm	
	Width without strap handles		444.3 mm	
	Length including connectors and jumper cables		635.0 mm	

#### V3080A physical specifications (nom)

Weight	0.62 kg	
Dimensions	Height	81 mm
	Width	48 mm
	Length	116 mm

#### Display (nom)

Resolution	1280 x 768 pixels
Size	10.6 in (26.9 cm) diagonal

#### Data storage (nom)

Internal	Removable solid-state drive (256 GB)
External	Supports USB 3.0/2.0 compatible memory devices



# Related Literature


Publication title	Publication number
M9484C VXG Configuration Guide	3121-1509EN
M9484C VXG Signal Generator Startup Guide	M9484-90001

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<b>KeysightCare</b> 	KeysightCare provides elevated support for Keysight instruments and software, with access to technical support experts that respond within a specified time and ensure committed repair and calibration turnaround times (TAT). KeysightCare offers multiple service agreement tiers, including KeysightCare Assured, Enhanced, and Application Software Support. See the <a href="#">KeysightCare data sheet</a> for details.
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Service	Function
<b>KeysightCare Enhanced*</b>	<b>Includes tech support, warranty and calibration</b>
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R-55B-001-2	KeysightCare Enhanced – Extend to 2 years
R-55B-001-3	KeysightCare Enhanced – Extend to 3 years (Recommended)
R-55B-001-5	KeysightCare Enhanced – Extend to 5 years (Recommended)
<b>KeysightCare Assured</b>	<b>Includes tech support and warranty</b>
R-55A-001-2	KeysightCare Assured – Extend to 2 years
R-55A-001-3	KeysightCare Assured – Extend to 3 years
R-55A-001-5	KeysightCare Assured – Extend to 5 years
<b>Start-Up Assistance</b>	
PS-S40-01	Included – instrument fundamentals and operations starter
PS-S40-04	Recommended – instrument fundamentals and operations starter
PS-S40-02	Optional, technology & measurement science standard learning

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