Selecting The Right Vector Network Analyzer

Maximize your budget by renting Keysight test equipment

Keysight E5071C ENA users chose their platform because they needed the absolute best tool of its time for the job. But much has changed since then. Today's devices are becoming highly integrated, requiring more than S-parameter measurements. As device characterization demands more measurement types, higher frequencies, and tighter tolerances, you need to adapt to the current situation and future-proof against new challenges. Gain deeper confidence in your measurements wherever you are with proven hardware and advanced software.



Figure 1. E5081A ENA-X cuts test cycle time up to 50% by providing network analysis and EVM measurements on a single test setup.

Find the Model Tailored to Your Exact Needs

The E5081A ENA-X vector network analyzer (VNA) offers advanced integrated noise receivers, direct receiver access, and modulated distortion software on a single test setup, enabling component characterization under high power, complex modulation schemes up to 44 GHz. These features consolidate the design verification setup necessary to conduct reliable characterization, minimizing test cycle time.

The E5080B ENA VNA brings excellent performance up to 53 GHz and flexibility to a mid-range platform. It provides complete passive and active component characterization in a single instrument.

Keysight P50xxB Streamline Series network analyzers bring high-end performance of benchtop instruments into a compact form factor. It's easy to share these instruments between test locations to make the same measurements reliably.

The M980xA PXIe VNA is a completely independent VNA with 2-, 4- or 6-ports, and the modules are easily configured as a true multiport VNA. A VNA with up to 50-ports can be configured in a single chassis for multiport applications.



Figure 2. E5080B ENA provides key improvement in performance and advanced software applications. It is more than just a VNA upgrade over the E5071C – it's a workflow update







Figure 3. P50xxB with 2-, 4- or 6-ports is packaged in a compact chassis and controlled by an external computer.

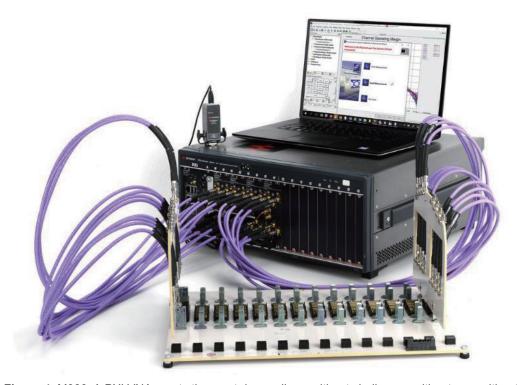
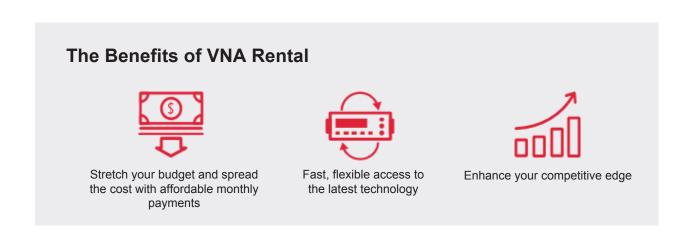


Figure 4. M980xA PXI VNA meets the most demanding multiport challenges with a true multiport architecture.







Performance Comparisons – ENA-X / ENA / Streamline Series VNA / PXI VNA vs. E5071C ENA

| | E5081A ENA-X | | E5080B ENA | | P50xxB Streamline Series VNA | | M980xA PXIe VNA | | E5071C ENA | | |
|--|--|----|--|-----|---|---------------|---|-----------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------|--|
| Specifications | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Min frequency | 10 MHz | | 9 kHz / 100 | kHz | 9 kHz / | 100 kHz | 9 kH | z / 100 kHz | 9 kHz / 300 kHz | | |
| Max frequency | 20 / 44 GHz | | 4.5 / 6.5 / 9 / 14 / 18 / 20 GHz 26.5 / 32 / 44 / 53 GHz | | 4.5 / 6.5 / 9 / 14 / 20 GHz 26.5 / 32 / 44 / 53 GHz | | 4.5 / 6.5 / 9 / 14 / 20 GHz 26.5 / 32 / 44 / 53 GHz | | 4.5 / 6.5 / 8.5 / 14 / 20 GHz | | |
| Number of ports | 2/4 | | 2/4 | | 2/4/6 | | 2/4/6 | | 2/4 | | |
| Number of configurable ports | 2 | | 0 | | 0 | | 0 | | 0 | | |
| Max number of ports for full calibration | 4 | | 4 | | 12 | | 66 | | 4 | | |
| Connector type | 3.5-mm (m), 2.4-mm (m) | | Type-N (f), 3.5-mm (m), 2.4-mm (m), 1.85-mm (m) | | 3.5-mm (f), 2.4-mm (f), 1.85-mm (f) | | 3.5-mm (f), 2.4-mm (f), 1.85-mm (f) | | Туре | -N (f), 3.5-mm (m) | |
| Dynamic range (10 Hz IFBW) | @ 4 GHz 143 dB (port 1 ar | | nd 2) 140 dB | | 140 dB | | 140 dB | | 1 | 23 dB | |
| | @ 20 GHz 134 dB (port 1 a | | nd 2) 126 dB | | 126 dB | | 126 dB | | 96 dB | | |
| Trace noise @ 4 GHz | 0.0015 dBrms (10 kHz IFBW | /) | 0.0015 dBri (10 kHz IFE | | 0.0015 ((10 kHz | | | 15 dBrms (Hz IFBW) | 0.003 dBrms (70 kHz IFBW) | | |
| Power sweep range | @ 4 GHz -80 to 16 (port 1 a | | nd 2) -60 to 10 dB | | 3m | -60 to 10 dBm | | -60 to 10 dBm | -4 | 55 to 10 dBm | |
| | @ 20 GHz -80 to 12 (port 1 a | | -60 to 4 dRn | | m | -60 to 4 dBm | | -60 to 4 dBm | -2 | 25 to 0 dBm | |
| IF bandwidth | 1 Hz to 15 MHz | | 1 Hz to 15 MHz | | 1 Hz to 15 MHz | | 1 Hz to 15 MHz | | 10 H | z to 1.5 MHz | |
| Typical performance | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Temperature stability @ 4 GHz | 0.005 dB/deg.C | | 0.005 dB/deg.C | | 0.005 dB/deg.C | | 0.005 dB/deg.C | | 0.00 | 5 dB/deg.C | |
| Cycle time (2-port cal, narrow span, 201 points) | 2 ms (1 MHz IFBW) | | 2 ms (1 MHz IFBW) | | 2 ms (1 MHz IFBW) | | 2 ms (1 MHz IFBW) | | 9 ms | (500 kHz IFBW) | |
| Hardware features | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Display | 12.1 inch touchscreen, WXGA | | 12.1 inch touchscreen, WXGA | | Not applicable | | Not applicable | | 10.4 inch touchscreen, XGA | | |
| Configurable test set | Yes (port 1 and 2) | | No | | No | | No | | No | | |
| Low noise receivers for noise figure measurements | Yes (port 1 and 2) | | No | | No | | No | | No | | |
| Upconverter for modulation distortion analysis | Yes | | No | | No | | No | | No | | |
| Internal pulse modulators | Yes | | Yes | | Yes | | Yes | | No | | |
| Internal pulse generators | Yes | | Yes | | Yes | | Yes | | No | | |
| Internal second source | Yes | | Yes | | Yes | | No | | No | | |
| High stability timebase | Yes | | Yes | | No | | No | No | | Yes | |
| AUX ports for DC measurements | Yes | | Yes | | No | | No | | Yes | | |
| Internal DC sources | Yes | | Yes | | No | | No | | No | | |
| Internal bias tees | No No | | Yes | | No | | No | | Yes | | |
| Display interface I/O interface | DisplayPort and VGA USB/LAN/GPIB/Handl er IO | | DisplayPort and VGA USB/LAN/GPIB/Handle r IO | | No No | | No USB | | VGA USB/LAN/GPIB/Handle r IO | | |
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| | E5081A ENA-X | E5080B ENA | P50xxB Streamline Series VNA | M980xA PXIe VNA | E5071C ENA |
|---|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------|
| Application software | | | | | |
| Automatic fixture removal | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | No |
| Enhanced time domain analysis with TDR | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Real-time S- parameter and power measurement uncertainty | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | No |
| Basic pulsed-RF measurements | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | No |
| Noise figure measurements | Yes (with low-noise receivers) | Yes (with standard receivers) | Yes (with standard receivers) | Yes (with standard receivers) | No |
| Impedance analysis | No | Yes | No | No | No |
| Modulation distortion analysis (ex. EVM, ACP) | Yes | No | No | Yes | No |
| Scalar mixer calibrated measurements | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Vector mixer calibrated measurements (SMC + phase) | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | No |
| Embedded LO capability | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | No |
| Gain compression application | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | No |
| Intermodulation distortion (IMD) measurements | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | No |
| Source phase control | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | No |
| Differential and I/Q device measurements | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | No |
| Spectrum analysis | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | No |
| True-mode stimulus | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | No |
| Multiport calibrated measurements (n > 4) | No | No | Yes | Yes | No |
| Banded millimeter- wave network analysis | No | No | Yes | Yes | No |
| Transportable, USB, networking (floating) licenses | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | No |
| VNA simulator | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | No |





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