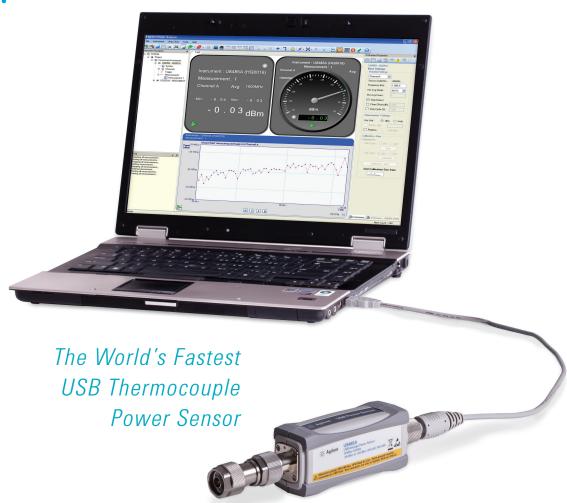


Agilent U8480 Series USB Thermocouple Power Sensors

Data Sheet



Improve your power measurement throughput

Improve your power measurement throughput with the world's fastest USB thermocouple power sensors. The Agilent U8480 Series USB thermocouple power sensors come with a measurement speed of 900 readings/second and power linearity of less than 0.8%, providing high accuracy and stability to help you make average power measurements quickly and confidently. With the U8480 Series USB sensors, one of the most cost-effective solutions in Agilent's power meter and sensor portfolio, you get top performance features at costs so affordable that every engineer can carry one in their bags.

Frequency range down to DC

Cover a broad range of test applications with Agilent's first power sensor with the capability to measure down to DC. The U8481A (10 MHz to 18 GHz) and U8485A (10 MHz to 33 GHz) come with Option 200 versions, which expands the frequency range of the sensor from 10 MHz down to DC.

Built-in trigger in function

Synchronize your measurement capture with the built-in trigger in function, without the need of an external module. The trigger-in function allows you to connect an external trigger signal from a signal source or the device-under-test directly to the USB sensor through a standard BNC to SMB cable.



The external trigger input port on the U8481A.

Internal calibration

Save time and reduce measurement uncertainty with the internal calibration function. These sensors come with technology that integrates a DC reference source and switching circuits into the body of the sensor so you can calibrate the sensor while it is connected to a device-under-test. This feature removes the need for connection and disconnection from an external calibration source, speeding up testing and reducing connector wear and tear. To perform zeroing, simply turn off the device-under-test.

Legacy excellence in a compact and portable form factor

The U8480 Series is based on the same front end design as the Agilent 8480 and N8480 Series power sensors, now equipped with USB capabilities and improved specifications such as a measurement speed ten times faster than the legacy series.



The U8480 Series fits easily in your bag, making the sensors ideal solutions for field applications such as base station testing.

The U8480 Series plugs directly into your PC or USB-enabled Agilent instrument and gives you the capability to measure power without needing an external power meter or power supply. The sensors draw power directly from a USB port and do not need additional triggering modules to operate. Begin measuring immediately when you connect the new USB power sensors to your PC or laptop; the U8480 Series sensors come bundled with the N1918A Power Panel software at no additional cost. The N1918A-100 Power Analyzer, with advanced features such as limit test and long term data logging, is available for purchase separately.

Fast measurement speed

The U8480 Series USB thermocouple power sensors offer a measurement speed of 900 readings/second (in fast mode), making them the world's fastest USB thermocouple power sensors. This feature is especially important in high volume manufacturing, where fast measurement speed is essential to maximize production throughput and increase productivity. By increasing the speed of measurements, test engineers can shorten the design cycle and accelerate the product time-to-market as they would require less time to carry out the same number of tests.

Real time measurement uncertainty

Measurement uncertainty is normally calculated manually by the user. The U8480 Series USB thermocouple power sensors now compute this value in real time and at any given point, removing the need for manual MU calculations, shortening test time and providing highly accurate measurements. Users can also display power measurements and their measurement uncertainty simultaneously.

Gamma correction

In an ideal measurement scenario, the reference impedance of the power sensor and device-under-test (DUT) impedance should equal the reference impedance (Z_0) ; however, this is rarely the case in practice. The mismatch in

impedance values results in a portion of the signal voltage being reflected, and this reflection is quantified by the reflection coefficient, gamma.

Using the gamma correction function, users can simply input the DUT's gamma into the USB power sensor using SCPI commands or the Agilent N1918A power analysis manager. This will remove the mismatch error, yielding more accurate measurements.

S-parameter correction

Additional errors are often caused by components that are inserted between the DUT and the power sensor, such as in base station testing where a high power attenuator is connected between the sensor and base station to reduce the output power to the measureable power range of the sensor.

The S-parameters of these components can be obtained with a vector network analyzer in the touchstone format, and inputted into the sensor using SCPI commands or through the Agilent N1918A power analysis manager. This error can now be corrected using the U8480 Series USB power sensor's S-parameter correction function. The sensor will behave as though it is connected directly to the DUT, giving users highly accurate power measurements.

Compatibility with other Agilent instruments

The U8480 Series, like all other Agilent USB power sensors, can be used as an accessory for other Agilent instruments, allowing these instruments to perform specific power measurement applications without needing to connect to a PC or laptop. The U8480 Series power sensors are compatible with the Agilent FieldFox RF analyzers and MXG signal generator, giving them power meter functionalities, and with the MXG signal generator, user flatness correction (UFC) with external leveling as well. The U8480 Series also performs source power calibration with the Agilent PNA, PNA-L and PNA-X network analyzers. Please refer to the application note, Compatibility of USB Power Sensors with Agilent Instruments (5989-8743EN) for the latest compatibility information.

Firmware upgrade

The latest firmware for the U8480 Series includes executable file and help file for installing the Firmware Upgrade Utility application in order to upgrade the USB thermocouple power sensors. To download the latest firmware version for the U8480 Series, visit:

www.agilent.com/find/pm firmware

Performance specifications

Specification definitions

There are two types of product specifications:

- Warranted specifications are specifications which are covered by the product warranty and apply over a range of 0 to 55 °C unless otherwise noted.
 Warranted specifications include measurement uncertainty calculated with a 95 % confidence
- Characteristic specifications are specifications that are not warranted. They describe product performance that is useful in the application of the product. These characteristic specifications are shown in italics.

Characteristic information is representative of the product. In many cases, it may also be supplemental to a warranted specification.
Characteristics specifications are not verified on all units. There are several types of characteristic specifications.
They can be divided into two groups:

One group of characteristic types describes 'attributes' common to all products of a given model or option. Examples of characteristics that describe 'attributes' are the product weight and '50-ohm input Type-N connector'. In these examples, product weight is an 'approximate' value and a 50-ohm input is 'nominal'. These two terms are most widely used when describing a product's 'attributes'.

The second group describes 'statistically' the aggregate performance of the population of products. These characteristics describe the expected behavior of the population of products. They do not guarantee the performance of any individual product. No measurement uncertainty value is accounted for in the specification. These specifications are referred to as 'typical'.

Conditions

The power sensor will meet its specifications when:

- stored for a minimum of two hours at a stable temperature within the operating temperature range, and turned on for at least 30 minutes
- the power sensor is within its recommended calibration period, and
- used in accordance to the information provided in the User's Guide.

U8480 Series USB Power Sensors Specifications

| Key specifications | | | | | |
|--|-------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| | U8481A Option 100 | 10 MHz to 18 GHz | | | |
| | U8481A Option 200 | DC to 18 GHz | | | |
| | U8485A Option 100 | 10 MHz to 33 GHz | | | |
| Frequency range | U8485A Option 200 | DC to 33 GHz | | | |
| | U8487A Option 100 | 10 MHz to 50 GHz | | | |
| | U8488A Option 100 | 10 MHz to 67 GHz 67 MHz to 70 GHz | | | |
| Dynamic power range (average power) | –35 dBm to 20 dBm | 57 IVII 26 70 GHZ | | | |
| | 115 ID | ±0.50% (25 °C ± 10 °C) | | | |
| | –1 to +15 dBm | ±0.55% (0 to 55 °C) | | | |
| Power linearity ¹ | +15 to +20 dBm | ±0.55% (25 °C ± 10 °C) | | | |
| | +15 to +20 dbiii | ±0.60% (0 to 55 °C) | | | |
| Zero set (20% to 70% RH) ² | ±25 nW³ | | | | |
| Internal colibration accuracy.4 | ±0.52% (25 ± 10 °C) | | | | |
| Internal calibration accuracy ⁴ | ±0.59% (0 to 55 °C) | | | | |
| Zeroing duration | 16 s | | | | |
| Internal calibration duration | 1.5 s | | | | |
| External calibration duration | 9 s | | | | |
| Damage level | AC coupled (option 100) | 25 dBm (average power), 50 V (DC) 15 W (2 µs duration) (peak power) | | | |
| | DC coupled (option 200) | 25 dBm (average power), 4 V (DC) 15 W (2 µs duration) (peak power) | | | |

- 1. After zeroing and calibration at ambient environment conditions. Refer to "Power linearity" on page 5 for more details.
- 2. RH is the abbreviation for relative humidity.
- 3. Tested at 50 MHz.
- 4. The U8480 Series is equipped with an internal calibration capability, which means that it does not require a 1 mW power reference for calibration. This specification applies for the 50 MHz frequency and at least 3 hours of settling time with internal calibration.

Power linearity

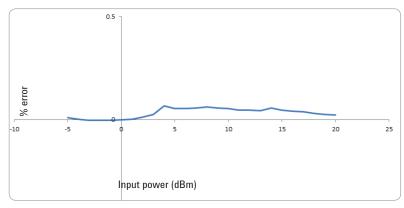


Figure 1. Typical U8480 Series power linearity at 25 °C, after zeroing and calibration with associated measurement uncertainty

Measurement Uncertainty

| U8480 Series | −1 to +20 dBm |
|-----------------------------|---------------|
| Measurement uncertainty (%) | ±0.21 |

Maximum SWR

| Frequency band | U8481A | | Frequency band | U8485A | | |
|---------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------------------|---------------|---------------|--|
| | 25 °C ± 10 °C | 0 °C to 55 °C | | 25 °C ± 10 °C | 0 °C to 55 °C | |
| DC to 10 MHz ¹ | 1.11 | 1.14 | DC to 10 MHz ¹ | 1.07 | 1.07 | |
| 10 MHz to 30 MHz | 1.37 | 1.57 | 10 MHz to 50 MHz | 1.33 | 1.53 | |
| 30 MHz to 50 MHz | 1.14 | 1.16 | 50 MHz to 100 MHz | 1.08 | 1.11 | |
| 50 MHz to 2 GHz | 1.08 | 1.11 | 100 MHz to 2 GHz | 1.05 | 1.07 | |
| 2 GHz to 12.4 GHz | 1.16 | 1.16 | 2 GHz to 12.4 GHz | 1.14 | 1.14 | |
| 12.4 GHz to 18 GHz | 1.23 | 1.25 | 12.4 GHz to 18 GHz | 1.19 | 1.20 | |
| _ | _ | _ | 18 GHz to 26.5 GHz | 1.26 | 1.28 | |
| <u> </u> | _ | _ | 26.5 GHz to 33 GHz | 1.37 | 1.45 | |

^{1.} Only applicable for the U8480 Series Option 200 models.

| Frequency band | U84 | U8487A | | | U8488A | | |
|--------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------------|---------------|---------------|--|--|
| | 25 °C ± 10 °C | 0 °C to 55 °C | | 25 °C ± 10 °C | 0 °C to 55 °C | | |
| 10 MHz to 50 MHz | 1.35 | 1.64 | 10 MHz to 100 MHz | 1.06 | 1.06 | | |
| 50 MHz to 100 MHz | 1.08 | 1.10 | 100 MHz to 2.4 GHz | 1.06 | 1.07 | | |
| 100 MHz to 2 GHz | 1.05 | 1.07 | 2.4 GHz to 12.4 GHz | 1.13 | 1.14 | | |
| 2 GHz 12.4 GHz | 1.10 | 1.10 | 12.4 GHz to 18 GHz | 1.14 | 1.14 | | |
| 12.4 GHz to 18 GHz | 1.16 | 1.16 | 18 GHz to 26.5 GHz | 1.20 | 1.20 | | |
| 18 GHz to 26.5 GHz | 1.22 | 1.22 | 26.5 GHz to 40 GHz | 1.25 | 1.25 | | |
| 26.5 GHz to 40 GHz | 1.30 | 1.30 | 40 GHz to 67 GHz | 1.42 | 1.43 | | |
| 40 GHz to 50 GHz | 1.34 | 1.33 | 67 GHz to 70 GHz | 1.36 | 1.41 | | |

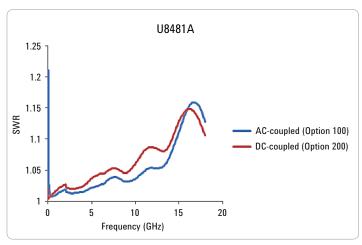


Figure 2. Typical SWR for the AC-coupled U8481A (Option 100) and the DC-coupled U8481A (Option 200)

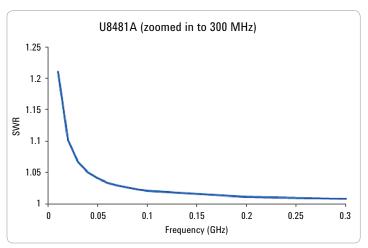


Figure 3. Typical SWR for the AC-coupled U8481A (Option 100) when zoomed in to 300 MHz

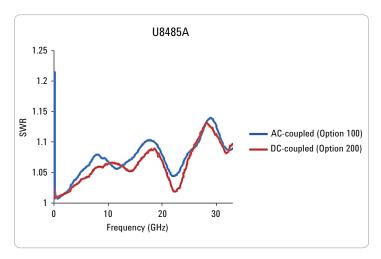


Figure 4. Typical SWR for the AC-coupled U8485A (Option 100) and the DC-coupled U8485A (Option 200)

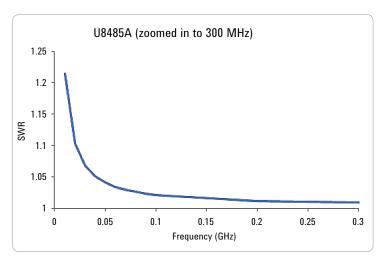


Figure 5. Typical SWR for the AC-coupled U8485A (Option 100) when zoomed in to 300 MHz

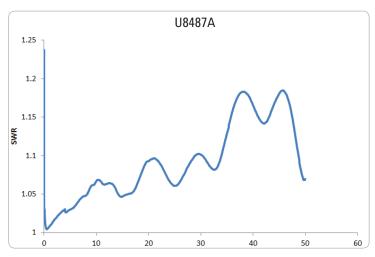


Figure 6. Typical SWR for the AC-coupled U8487A (Option 100)

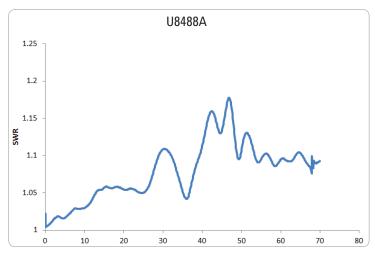


Figure 7. Typical SWR for the AC-coupled U8488A (Option 100)

Zero drift and measurement noise

| Conditions (RH) ¹ | Zero drift ^{2, 3} | Measurement noise ^{2, 4} |
|------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 20% to 70% | ±5.5 nW | ±45 nW |

- 1. RH is the abbreviation for relative humidity.
- 2. Zero drift and measurement noise specifications are tested at 50 MHz.
- Within 1 hour of warm up and after zeroing, at a constant temperature, taken over a period of 4 hours of the total measurement time. This drift is calculated based on the average of hourly drifts.
- 4. The number of averages at 16 for the normal mode, 32 for the ×2 mode, and 512 for the fast mode, at a constant temperature, measured over a 1-minute interval and two standard deviations.

Noise multiplier

| Number of averages | 1 | 2 | 4 | 8 | 16 | 32 | 64 | 128 | 256 | 512 | 1024 |
|--------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Normal mode | 3.17 | 2.62 | 2.02 | 1.54 | 1.00 | 0.82 | 0.60 | 0.50 | 0.37 | 0.27 | 0.15 |
| ×2 mode | 4.55 | 3.76 | 3.00 | 2.25 | 1.59 | 1.00 | 0.85 | 0.63 | 0.47 | 0.42 | 0.23 |
| Fast mode | 46.88 | 33.06 | 24.00 | 17.19 | 12.24 | 8.39 | 4.93 | 4.11 | 2.48 | 1.00 | 0.83 |

Measurement rate

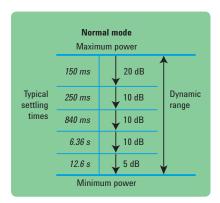
| Measurement speed mode | Measurement speed |
|------------------------|-------------------|
| Normal | 20 readings/s |
| Double | 40 readings/s |
| Fast ¹ | 900 readings/s² |

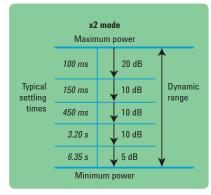
- 1. To reduce sensor-dependent delay time, use the measurement buffer by setting the trigger count >1.
- 2. The measurement is taken with the averaging state set to off.

Settling time

| Number of averages | 1 | 2 | 4 | 8 | 16 | 32 | 64 | 128 | 256 | 512 | 1024 |
|---|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Settling time(s) (Normal mode) ¹ | 0.10 | 0.15 | 0.25 | 0.45 | 0.85 | 1.63 | 3.20 | 6.36 | 12.6 | 25.2 | 50.4 |
| Settling time(s) (×2 mode) ¹ | 0.08 | 0.10 | 0.15 | 0.25 | 0.45 | 0.89 | 1.63 | 3.20 | 6.35 | 12.6 | 25.2 |
| Settling time(s) (Fast mode) ^{1,2} | 0.003 | 0.005 | 0.007 | 0.011 | 0.020 | 0.036 | 0.069 | 0.134 | 0.265 | 0.528 | 1.053 |

- 1. Manual filter, 10 dB decreasing power step.
- 2. Noise measurement in fast mode fluctuates at lower power. Although the averaging count (filter) is initially set to 256, if any of the 256 measurement samples taken are higher than –30 dBm, the firmware automatically changes the averaging count to 128.





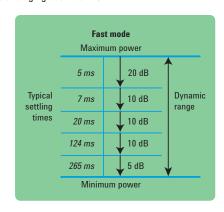


Figure 8. Auto-filter, default resolution, 10 dB decreasing power step

Calibration factor (CF) uncertainty

The typical measurement uncertainties listed are not to be taken as the maximum CF measurement uncertainties.

Note: The CF uncertainty is dependent on the calibration standard's uncertainty provided by Calibration Labs. For the exact uncertainty, refer to the individual sensor calibration report.

| U8481A frequency band | 25 °C ± 3 °C | 25 °C ± 10 °C | 0 °C to 55 °C |
|---------------------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|
| DC to 10 MHz ¹ | 2.63% | 3.30% | 3.44% |
| 10 MHz to 30 MHz | 1.05% | 1.25% | 2.35% |
| 30 MHz to 500 MHz | 0.85% | 0.89% | 1.10% |
| 500 MHz to 1.2 GHz | 0.78% | 0.87% | 0.87% |
| 1.2 GHz to 6 GHz | 0.91% | 1.10% | 1.51% |
| 6 GHz to 14 GHz | 1.26% | 1.47% | 2.04% |
| 14 GHz to 18 GHz | 1.59% | 1.96% | 2.39% |

1. Only applicable for the U8480 Series Option 200 models.

| U8485A frequency band | 25 °C ± 3 °C | 25 °C ± 10 °C | 0 °C to 55 °C |
|---------------------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|
| DC to 10 MHz ¹ | 2.37% | 2.80% | 2.88% |
| 10 MHz to 30 MHz | 1.50% | 1.49% | 2.04% |
| 30 MHz to 500 MHz | 1.37% | 1.46% | 1.98% |
| 500 MHz to 1.2 GHz | 1.26% | 1.52% | 2.07% |
| 1.2 GHz to 6 GHz | 1.35% | 1.68% | 2.40% |
| 6 GHz to 14 GHz | 1.66% | 2.26% | 2.99% |
| 14 GHz to 18 GHz | 1.83% | 2.47% | 3.35% |
| 18 GHz to 26.5 GHz | 2.67% | 3.75% | 4.70% |
| 26.5 GHz to 33 GHz | 3.32% | 4.79% | 6.41% |

^{1.} Only applicable for the U8480 Series Option 200 models.

| U8487A frequency band | 25 °C ± 3 °C | 25 °C ± 10 °C | 0 °C to 55 °C |
|-----------------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|
| 10 MHz to 30 MHz | 1.79% | 2.19% | 4.15% |
| 30 MHz to 500 MHz | 1.78% | 1.90% | 2.24% |
| 500 MHz to 1.2 GHz | 1.79% | 1.98% | 2.34% |
| 1.2 GHz to 6 GHz | 1.82% | 2.06% | 2.48% |
| 6 GHz to 14 GHz | 1.88% | 2.27% | 2.53% |
| 14 GHz to 18 GHz | 1.90% | 2.36% | 2.71% |
| 18 GHz to 26.5 GHz | 2.09% | 2.75% | 3.23% |
| 26.5 GHz to 33 GHz | 2.66% | 3.35% | 3.92% |
| 33 GHz to 34 GHz | 2.66% | 3.37% | 4.10% |
| 34 GHz to 35 GHz | 2.66% | 3.39% | 4.10% |
| 35 GHz to 40 GHz | 2.66% | 4.03% | 4.69% |
| 40 GHz to 45 GHz | 3.73% | 4.58% | 5.43% |
| 45 GHz to 50 GHz | 4.68% | 5.71% | 6.68% |

| U8488A frequency band | 25 °C ± 3 °C | 25 °C ± 10 °C | 0 °C to 55 °C |
|-----------------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|
| 10 MHz to 50 MHz | 2.04% | 2.14% | 2.16% |
| 50 MHz to 100 MHz | 1.94% | 2.05% | 2.05% |
| 100 MHz to 2 GHz | 1.98% | 2.18% | 2.36% |
| 2 GHz to 12.4 GHz | 2.13% | 2.80% | 3.56% |
| 12.4 GHz to 18 GHz | 2.24% | 3.01% | 3.88% |
| 18 GHz to 26.5 GHz | 2.52% | 3.09% | 3.89% |
| 26.5 GHz to 50 GHz | 4.66% | 5.49% | 6.65% |
| 50 GHz to 67 GHz | 5.14% | 6.06% | 7.48% |
| 67 GHz to 70 GHz | 5.70% | 8.14% | 9.16% |

External trigger

| External TTL trigger input | |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|
| High | >1.9 V |
| Low | <1.1 V |
| Latency ¹ | 11 μs ± 2 μs |
| Minimum trigger pulse width | 35 ns |
| Minimum trigger repetition period | 80 ns |
| Impedance | 50 Ω or 1 MΩ |
| Trigger delay | |
| Range | 0 s to 1 s |
| Resolution | 10 μs |

^{1.} External trigger latency is defined as the delay between the applied trigger crossing the trigger level and the U8480 Series switching into the triggered state.

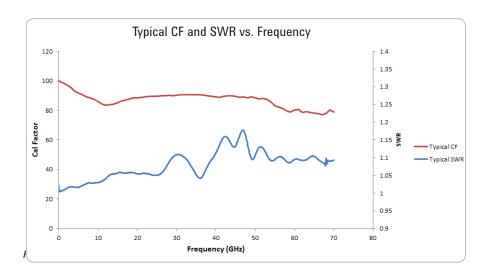
General specifications

| Acquisition | | |
|---|--|-------------------|
| Analog-to-digital converter (ADC) sampling rate | 192 kHz | |
| ADC resolution | 24 bits | |
| Integration time ¹ | 1.024 ms | |
| Other | | |
| Current requirement | 400 mA (approximately) | |
| | U8481A | N-Type (m), 50 Ω |
| | U8485A | 3.5 mm (m), 50 Ω |
| Connector | U8487A | 2.4 mm (m), 50 Ω |
| | U8488A | 1.85 mm (m), 50 Ω |
| Cable | USB 2.0 Type A to 5-pin Mini-B | |
| Interface | USB 2.0 interface, USB-TMC compliant | |
| Programmability | SCPI, Agilent VEE, LabVIEW®, Microsoft® Visual Basic | |
| Calibration | 1 year | |

^{1.} Integration time is the period during which the U8480 Series ADC samples the input signal for a measurement.

Typical plot

The following typical plot is intended to provide additional information, useful in applying the U8480 Series by giving typical but not warranted performance parameters.



General Characteristics

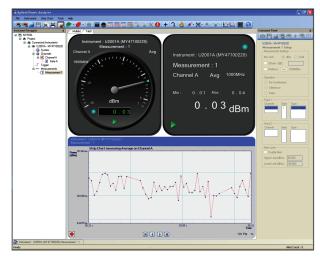
| Environmental compliance | |
|--|---|
| Temperature | Operating condition: 0 °C to 55 °C |
| | Storage condition: -40 °C to 71 °C |
| Humidity | Maximum Operating condition: 95% RH at 40 °C (non-condensing) Minimum Operating condition: 15% RH at 25 °C (non-condensing) Storage condition: Up to 90% RH at 65 °C (non-condensing) |
| Altitude | Operating and storage conditions: Up to 4.6 km (15000 ft) |
| Regulatory compliance | |
| The U8480 Series USB thermocouple power sensor complies with the following EMC requirements: | IEC 61326-1:2005 / EN 61326-1:2006 Canada: ICES/NMB-001: Issue 4, June 2006 Australia/New Zealand: AS/NZS CISPR11:2004 |
| (Length × Width × Height) | U8481A: 145 mm × 46 mm × 35.90 mm U8485A: 136.50 mm × 46 mm × 35.90 mm U8487A: 127.70 mm x 4 mm x 35.90 mm U8488A: 128.50 mm x 4 mm x 35.90 mm |
| Weight | |
| Net weight: | U8481A: <i>0.256 kg</i> U8485A: <i>0.25 kg</i> U8487A: <i>0.22 kg</i> U8488A: <i>0.22 kg</i> |
| Shipping weight: | U8481A: 1.35 kg U8485A: 1.402 kg U8487A: 1.37 kg U8488A: 1.37 kg |
| Connectivity | |
| USB 2.0, with the following cable lengths: | Option 301: 1.5 m Option 302: 3 m Option 303: 5 m |
| Recommended calibration interval | 1 year |
| Pollution | Degree 2 |
| Warranty | 3 years |

Using the U8480 Series with the N1918A Power Analysis Manager

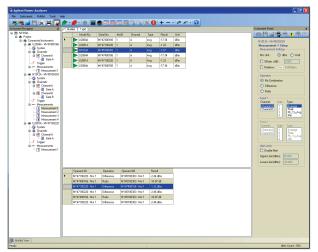
N1918A Power Analysis Manager is a powerful application software that complements the U8480 Series, U2020 X-series and U2000 series USB power sensors, offering easy monitoring and analysis on a PC display.

There are two versions of the N1918A software: the basic Power Panel and the advanced Power Analyzer. Power Analyzer provides full access to the software's complete features and capabilities and its licenses, N1918A-100 (PC license) and N1918A-200 (USB dongle license), are available for purchase separately.

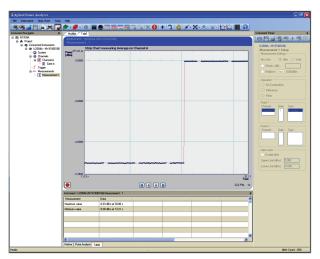
The U8481A and U8485A each come with the N1918A Power Panel software at no additional cost. A N1918A Power Analysis Manager software CD will be shipped together with the USB power sensor. Users can also download the software from www. agilent.com/find/N1918A.



Multiple display types



Data recording with limit and alert settings



Multiple channel list and measurement math

N1918A Power Analysis Manager functions

| | Power panel (basic) | Power analyzer (advanced) |
|--|--|---|
| Measurement display | | |
| Compact mode display | V | $\sqrt{}$ |
| Soft panel (digital) display | V | (enhanced with limits and alerts notifications) |
| Gauge (analog) display | V | (enhanced with limits and alerts notifications) |
| Strip chart display | V | V |
| Multiple tabs | _ | V |
| Multiple display per tab | $\sqrt{}$ | $\sqrt{}$ |
| Multilist | $\sqrt{}$ | $\sqrt{}$ |
| Graph functions | | |
| Single marker | (up to 2 markers per graph) | (up to 10 markers per graph) |
| Dual marker | (one set of markers per graph) | (up to 5 sets of markers per graph) |
| Graph autoscaling | V | $\sqrt{}$ |
| Graph zooming | $\sqrt{}$ | $\sqrt{}$ |
| Measurement math (delta, ratio) | $\sqrt{}$ | $\sqrt{}$ |
| Save/Load file functions | | |
| Save measurement data (with timestamp) | $\sqrt{\mbox{(applies to strip chart display;}}$ up to 10,000 data points) | (applicable in Strip Chart and Trace Graph) |
| Load measurement data | $\sqrt{\mbox{(application in Strip Chart and Trace Graph)}}$ | (applicable in Strip Chart and Trace Graph) |
| Data recording (with timestamp) | _ | $\sqrt{\mbox{ (applicable in Trace Graph}^1, \mbox{ Soft Panel,}}$ Strip Chart and Gauge) |
| Instrument settings options | | |
| Save and restore instrument setting | V | $\sqrt{}$ |
| Time-gated measurements | V | V |
| Instrument preset settings | $\sqrt{}$ | $\sqrt{}$ |
| FDO table parameters | $\sqrt{}$ | $\sqrt{}$ |
| Measurement limit and alert function | ns en | |
| Limit and alert notification | _ | $\sqrt{}$ |
| Alert summary | | V |
| Support function | | |
| Print application screen | $\sqrt{}$ | $\sqrt{}$ |

^{1.} Recording time for trace graphs may vary based on trace graph settings

N1918A attributes

| Other software attributes | |
|---------------------------|---|
| Disales suites | Absolute: Watts or dBm |
| Display units: | Relative: Percent or dB |
| Display resolution: | Resolution of 1.0, 0.1, 0.01 and 0.001 dB in log mode; one to four digits in linear mode |
| Default resolution: | 0.01 dB in log mode; three digits in linear mode |
| Zero: | For performing internal and external zeroing |
| Range: | Sensor-dependent, configurable in 1-kHz steps |
| Relative: | Displays all successive measurements relative to the last referenced value |
| Offset: | Allows power measurements to be offset by $-100~\mathrm{dB}$ to $+100~\mathrm{dB}$, configurable in 0.001 dB increments, to compensate for external loss or gain |
| Duty cycle: | Duty cycle values between 0.001% to 99.999% can be entered in increments of 0.01% to display a pulse power representation of measured power. The following equation is used to calculate the displayed pulse power value: Pulse Power = Measured Power/Duty Cycle |
| Limits: | High and low limits can be set in the range between $-150.00~\mathrm{dBm}$ to $+230.00~\mathrm{dBm}$, in 0.001 dBm increments. |
| Preset default values: | Channel Offset (dB) = 0, Duty Cycle Off, Frequency 50 MHz, AUTO Average, AUTO Range, Free Run Mode, dBm mode |

System requirements

| Hardware | |
|---|--|
| 5 | Desktop PC: 1.3 GHz Pentium IV or higher recommended |
| Processor | Laptop PC: 900 MHz Pentium M or higher recommended |
| RAM | 512 MB (1.0 GB or higher recommended) |
| Hard disk space | 1.0 GB or more free disk space at runtime |
| Resolution | 800 x 600 or higher (1280 x 1024 recommended) |
| Operating system and browser | |
| Operating system | Windows 7 32-bit and 64-bit |
| | Windows Vista 32-bit and 64-bit |
| | Windows XP Professional 32-bit Service Pack 2 or higher |
| Browser | Microsoft® Internet Explorer 5.1 (6.0 or higher recommended) |
| | Any of the following to be pre-installed: |
| Others | GPIB IO interface card |
| Others | LAN interface card |
| | USB/GPIB interface connector |
| Software | |
| Agilent IO Libraries Suit | Version 15.5 ¹ or higher |
| Microsoft .NET Framework | Runtime version 3.5 |
| Microsoft Visual C++® 2005 Runtime Libraries ² | Version 1.0 or higher |

^{1.} Available on the Agilent Automation-Ready CD-ROM. Agilent IO Libraries Suite 15.5 is required if your PC is running on Windows Vista 32.bit operating system

^{2.} Bundled with N1918A Power Analysis Manager CD

Ordering Information

| Model | Description |
|------------------------|--|
| U8481A | USB thermocouple power sensor (Type-N) |
| U8481A-100 | Standard option - 10 MHz to 18 GHz |
| U8481A-200 | DC couple option - DC to 18 GHz |
| U8485A | USB thermocouple power sensor (3.5 mm) |
| U8485A-100 | Standard option - 10 MHz to 33 GHz |
| U8485A-200 | DC couple option - DC to 33 GHz |
| U8487A | USB thermocouple power sensor (2.4 mm) |
| U8487A-100 | Standard option - 10 MHz to 50 GHz |
| U8488A | USB thermocouple power sensor (1.85 mm) |
| U8488A-100 | Standard option - 10 MHz to 67 GHz |
| Standard Shipped Items | |
| | Power sensor cable 5 ft (1.5 m), default cable length |
| | • Trigger cable, BNC male to SMB female, 50 Ω , 1.5 m |
| | Certificate of calibration |
| | Documentation CD-ROM |
| | N1918A Power Analysis Manager software CD-ROM |
| | Agilent IO Libraries Suite Software CD |
| | • U8485A: 3.5 mm (f) to N-Type (m) adapter ¹ |
| | • U8487A/88A: 2.4 mm (f) to N-Type (m) adapter ¹ |

^{1.} Not applicable to U8481A

Options

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| Travel kits | | |
| U2000A-201 | Transit case | |
| U2000A-202 | Soft carrying case | |
| U2000A-203 | Holster | |
| U2000A-204 | Soft carrying pouch | |
| Cables (selectable during sensor purchase) | | |
| U2000A-301 | Power sensor cable, 5 ft (1.5 m) | |
| U2000A-302 | Power sensor cable, 10 ft (3 m) | |
| U2000A-303 | Power sensor cable, 16.4 ft (5 m) | |

Options (continued)

| Cables | |
|----------------------------------|---|
| U2031A | Power sensor cable, 5 ft (1.5 m) |
| U2031B | Power sensor cable, 10 ft (3 m) |
| U2031C | Power sensor cable, 16.4 ft (5 m) |
| U2032A | BNC male to SMB female trigger cable, 50 Ω , 1.5 m |
| Calibration | |
| U848xA-1A7 | ISO17025 compliant calibration and test data |
| U848xA-A6J | ANZIZ540 compliant calibration and test data |
| N1918A Power Analysis Manager so | oftware |
| N1918A-100 | Power Analyzer (with PC license) |
| N1918A-200 | Power Analyzer (with USB license) |
| Documentation | |
| U8481A/85A/87A/88A-ABJ | Japan - Japanese user guide; printed |
| U8481A/85A/87A/88A-0B1 | English language user guide; printed |
| U8481A/85A/87A/88A-ABZ | Italy - Italian language user guide; printed |
| U8481A/85A/87A/88A-ABE | Spain - Spanish user guide; printed |
| U8481A/85A/87A/88A-ABD | Germany - German user guide; printed |
| U8481A/85A/87A/88A-AB2 | China - Simplified Chinese user guide; printed |
| U8481A/85A/87A/88A-ABF | France - French language user guide; printed |
| U8481A/85A/87A/88A-0BF | English language programming guide; printed |
| U8481A/85A/87A/88A-0BN | English language service guide; printed |

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