

Instructions for Carrying Out “Generic” Spectral Analysis Measurements with the HP-3562A Dynamic Signal Analyzer

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The following instructions are for carrying out “generic” spectral analysis measurements using the HP-3562A Dynamic Signal Analyzer (DSA). For example, if you are interested in measuring the (frequency-domain) complex specific longitudinal input impedance $\tilde{Z}_a^{\parallel}(r, f) = \tilde{p}(r, f)/\tilde{u}_{\parallel}(r, f)$ of a brass/wind instrument (or *e.g.* $\tilde{Z}_a^{\parallel}(r, f)$ at a specific point r in an arbitrary complex sound field), the experimental setup needed for this might look similar to that shown in the figure below:

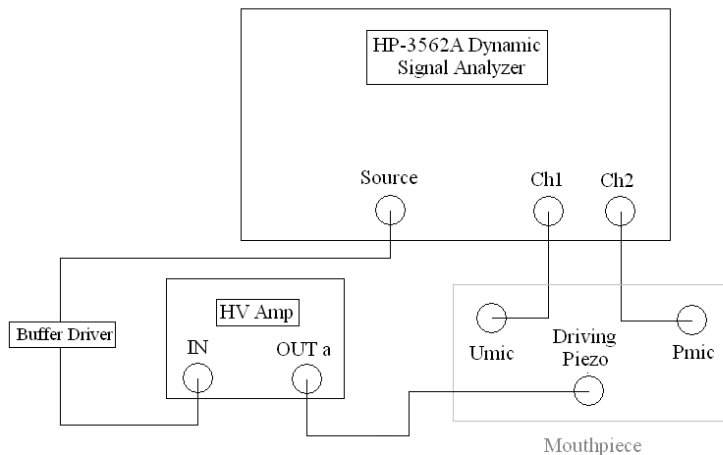


Figure 1. Experimental setup for measuring the acoustic impedance of a complex sound field.

If you were instead interested in measuring the complex electrical impedance $\tilde{Z}_e(f) = \tilde{V}(f)/\tilde{I}(f)$ of an electric guitar pickup, or *e.g.* that of a loudspeaker, the experimental setup needed for this might look similar to that shown in the figure below:

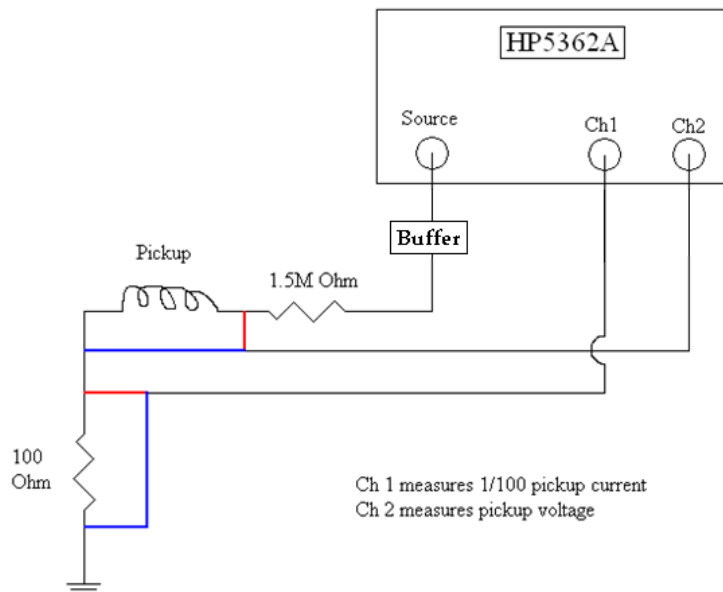


Figure 2. Experimental setup for measuring the impedance of an electric guitar pickup.

Brief Instructions: Please follow carefully – don't hesitate to ask a POM TA for help!!!

- 0.) Without powering any equipment up (yet), assemble, setup & connect/wire up all necessary equipment that you will need to carry out your experiment. When done with this step, ask a POM TA to explicitly check your work – we must avoid damaging equipment at all costs!
- 1.) Turn on the AC power to HP3652A DSA, any needed LVDC power supplies, amplifiers, etc. Note that it takes ~ 1 minute for the DSA to fully boot up. Check LED indicators on power supplies, amplifiers to verify that they are working properly – if not, turn off & contact TA!

** Important Note: the red “over range” LEDs above the DSA Ch1/Ch2 inputs should never be steadily lit! **

2.) **Enter Swept-Sine Mode (for DSA internal source):**

- a. MEASUREMENT: press: MEAS MODE
- b. CRT button: press: SWEPT SINE
- c. CRT button: press: LOG SWEEP (*n.b.* is default, so don't need to explicitly do this)

3.) **Define Measurement Type:**

- a. MEASUREMENT: press: SELECT MEAS
- b. CRT button: press: FREQ RESP

4.) **Define (Log!) Frequency Range:**

- a. MEASUREMENT: press: FREQ
- b. CRT button: press: START FREQ, use keypad to enter start frequency, *e.g.* 10
- c. CRT button: press correct units: *e.g.* Hz
- d. CRT button: press: STOP FREQ, use keypad to enter stop frequency, *e.g.* 10
- e. CRT button: press correct units: *e.g.* KHz

** This example gives a frequency sweep range of 10Hz-10KHz; It will give a total of 801 samples in equal steps in log(frequency) **

Frequently, for some reason (not currently understood), entering the start/stop frequencies seems to fail the first time. Thus, after completing step 4, we strongly recommend that you:

- f. CONTROL: press the yellow-orange START button
- g. Explicitly check the start/stop frequencies on the CRT screen
- h. CONTROL: press the yellow-orange PAUSE button
- i. If the start/stop frequencies are incorrect, repeat Step 4 above, including steps f-i.

5.) **Define Averaging (per frequency point):**

- a. MEASUREMENT: press: AVG
- b. CRT button: press: FIXED INTGRT (*n.b.* is default, so don't need to explicitly do this)
- c. CRT button: press: NUMBER AVGS, use keypad to type # of averages, *e.g.* 5-10 avgs)
- d. CRT button: press: ENTER

6.) **Define Amplitude of DSA Internal Source:**

- a. MEASUREMENT: press: SOURCE
- b. CRT button: press: SOURCE LEVEL, use keypad to enter source level, *e.g.* 100
- c. CRT button: press correct units: *e.g.* mVrms

** In this example, we set the amplitude of the internal source to 100 mV rms.

n.b. it is very important not to mis-enter the source amplitude – it could damage equipment! Hence, please be very careful when doing this! **

7.) Carry Out the Frequency Scan:

- a. CONTROL: press the yellow-orange START button
- b. Wait for the frequency scan to complete – typically takes ~ several-10 minutes.

8.) When Frequency Scan Has Completed, Can Look At (and/or Read-Out) Spectral Data:

- a. DISPLAY: SELECT DATA: press: MEAS DISP button
- b. On RHS of CRT, can select/view displays of:

{n.b. Refer to Physics 406 Lect. Notes 13 Part 2 p. 17-23 on Spectral Analysis Techniques}

- **FREQ RESP:** $\tilde{G}_{y^*x}(f)/\tilde{G}_{x^*x}(f)$ { \propto complex $\tilde{Z}_a(f), \tilde{Z}_e(f)$!! }
- **COHER:** $|\tilde{\gamma}_{x^*y}(f)|^2 \equiv [\tilde{G}_{y^*x}(f)\tilde{G}_{x^*y}(f)]/[\tilde{G}_{x^*x}(f)\tilde{G}_{y^*y}(f)]$ {purely real quantity}
- **POWER SPEC1:** $\tilde{G}_{x^*x}(f) = \tilde{x}^*(f) \cdot \tilde{x}(f) = |\tilde{x}(f)|^2$ {Ch. 1 (u or I), purely real quantity}
- **POWER SPEC2:** $\tilde{G}_{y^*y}(f) = \tilde{y}^*(f) \cdot \tilde{y}(f) = |\tilde{y}(f)|^2$ {Ch. 2 (p or V), purely real quantity}
- **CROSS SPEC:** $\tilde{G}_{y^*x}(f) = \tilde{y}^*(f) \cdot \tilde{x}(f) = \tilde{x}(f) \cdot \tilde{y}^*(f)$ { \propto complex $\tilde{I}_a(f), \tilde{P}_e(f)$!! }

Define Y-Axis Auto-Scale: {Optional, makes viewing plots on CRT easier}

- a. DISPLAY: DEFINE TRACE: press: SCALE button
- b. CRT Button: press: Y AUTO SCALE

Enable X or Y Marker(s): {Optional, e.g. if want to know specific (X,Y) values of data}

- a. MARKERS: press: X or Y button
- b. MARKERS: turn knob to set/adjust/move X or Y marker position
- c. Look at/observe corresponding (X,Y) data at top LHS of CRT screen

The data associated with each of the above plots can readout via GPIB into a PC using the NI LabView program P406_LV_DAQ\NEW_HP3562A\HP3562A_DSA.vi program. Ask the POM TA to show you how to do this. On the GUI for HP3562A_DSA.vi, you will need to set the proper path to write out a user-specified *.txt data file to a sub-folder in the PC's P406_LV_DAQ\NEW_HP3562A\DATA\ area.

Important Notes:

- a.) If the HP3562A is in the process of **calibrating** itself (notice shows up at the bottom of DSA CRT), you **must** wait until the calibration has completed to carry out a GPIB readout of the DSA. If this happens during a calibration, it locks up the DAQ .and. the DSA! Contact a POM TA if this happens – we will have to cold-reboot both the PC .and. the DSA!
- b.) You **must** read out all of the above **purely real** quantities with the toggle switch on the HP3562A_DSA.vi GUI in the **Auto-Correlation** position; you **must** read out all of the above **complex quantities** with the toggle switch on the HP3562A_DSA.vi GUI in the **Cross-Correlation** position. The DAQ readout of **purely real** vs. **complex** quantities is **not** the same!
- c.) Note also that the *.txt data format for **purely real quantities** is **801** rows of **2** columns (frequency and e.g. magnitude-squared $\tilde{G}_{x^*x}(f) = \tilde{x}^*(f) \cdot \tilde{x}(f) = |\tilde{x}(f)|^2$); the *.txt data format for **complex quantities** is **801** rows of **3** columns (frequency and e.g. $\text{Re}\{\tilde{G}_{y^*x}(f)\}, \text{Im}\{\tilde{G}_{y^*x}(f)\}$).

9.) You can also look at (and/or read-out) additional spectral data:

For each selected plot/trace in 8.) above, you can also look at:

- a. DISPLAY: DEFINE TRACE: press: COORD button
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- Phase (complex quantities, only – *n.b.* also works for Ch1 (X) and/or Ch2 (Y))
- Real (real part of complex quantity)
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- Nyquist (Nyquist Plot = Imag vs. Real plot – complex quantities only)
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\\Common\MATLAB_Analyses\HP3562A_Spectral_Analyses

Copy the relevant MATLAB *.m script files to a subfolder the Local MATLAB Work folder on the PC – e.g. in a sub-folder that **you** create on the local PC for your **own** analysis:

C:\Program Files\MATLAB\R2012a\work\HP3562A_Spectral_Analyses\My_Analysis_Subfolder

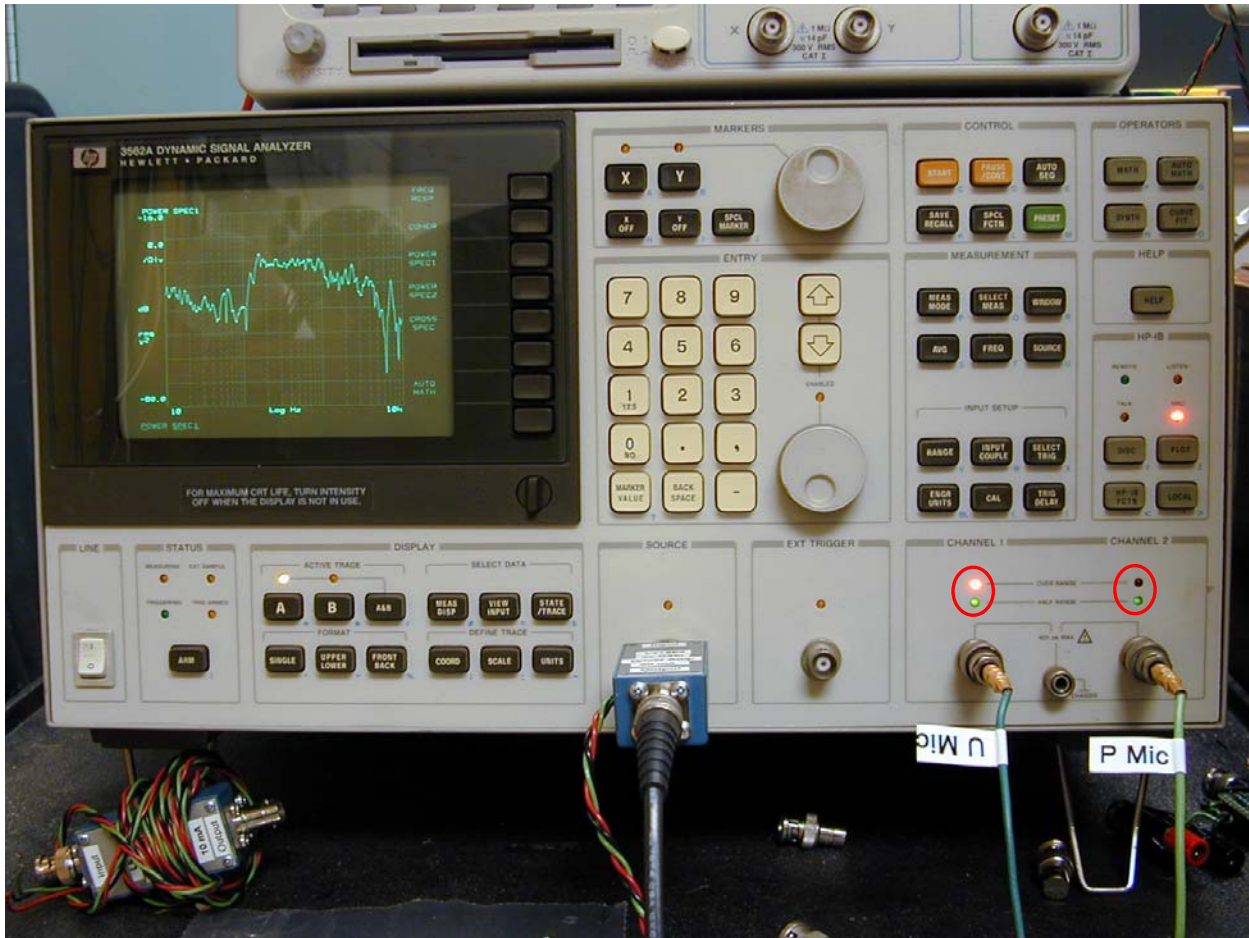
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When you have completed analysis of your data on the local PC, you **must** copy the contents of your local MATLAB analysis My_Analysis_Subfolder to its corresponding location in the POM Backup Server (Note that **nothing** is backed up on any of the PC's in the POM lab!!!!):

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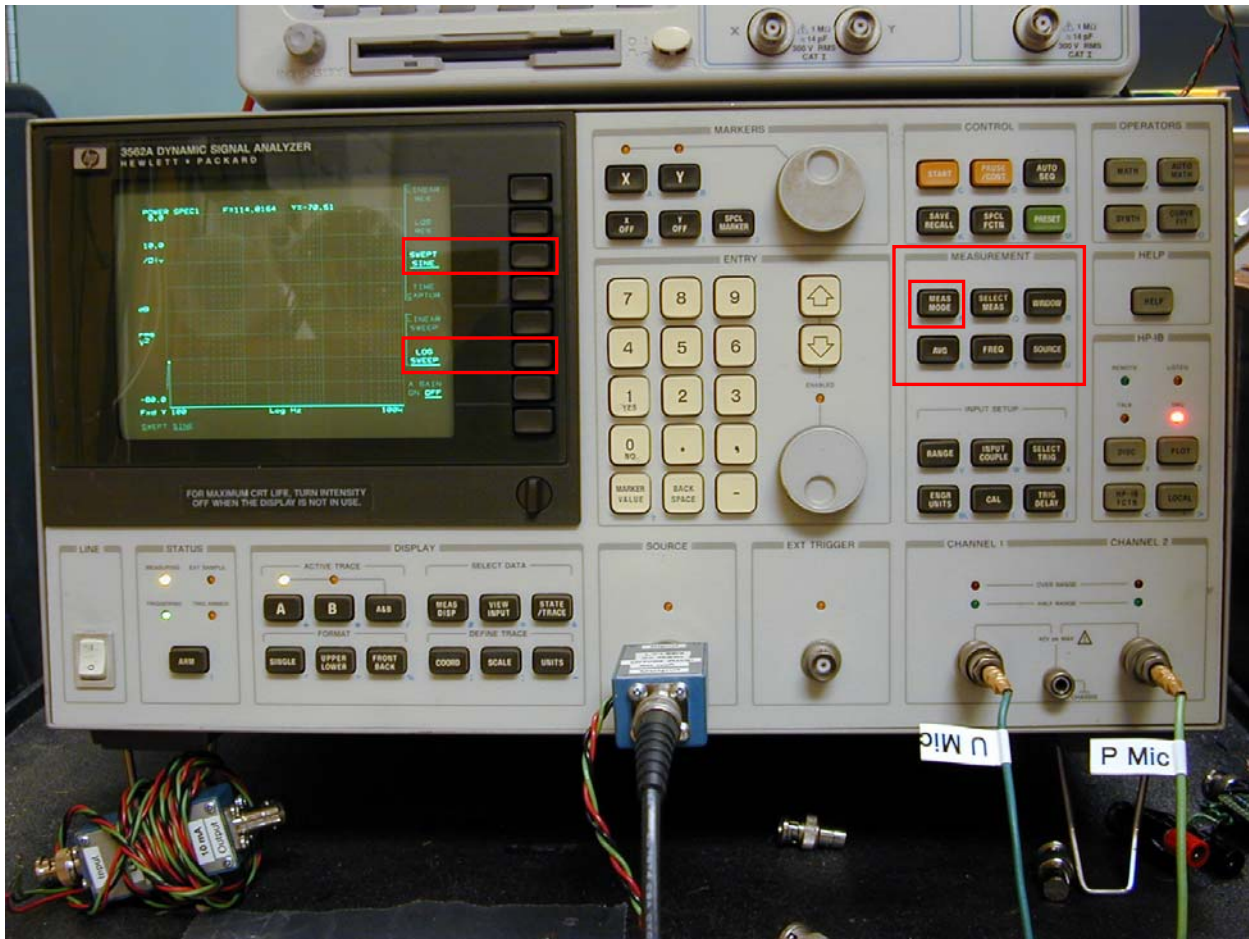
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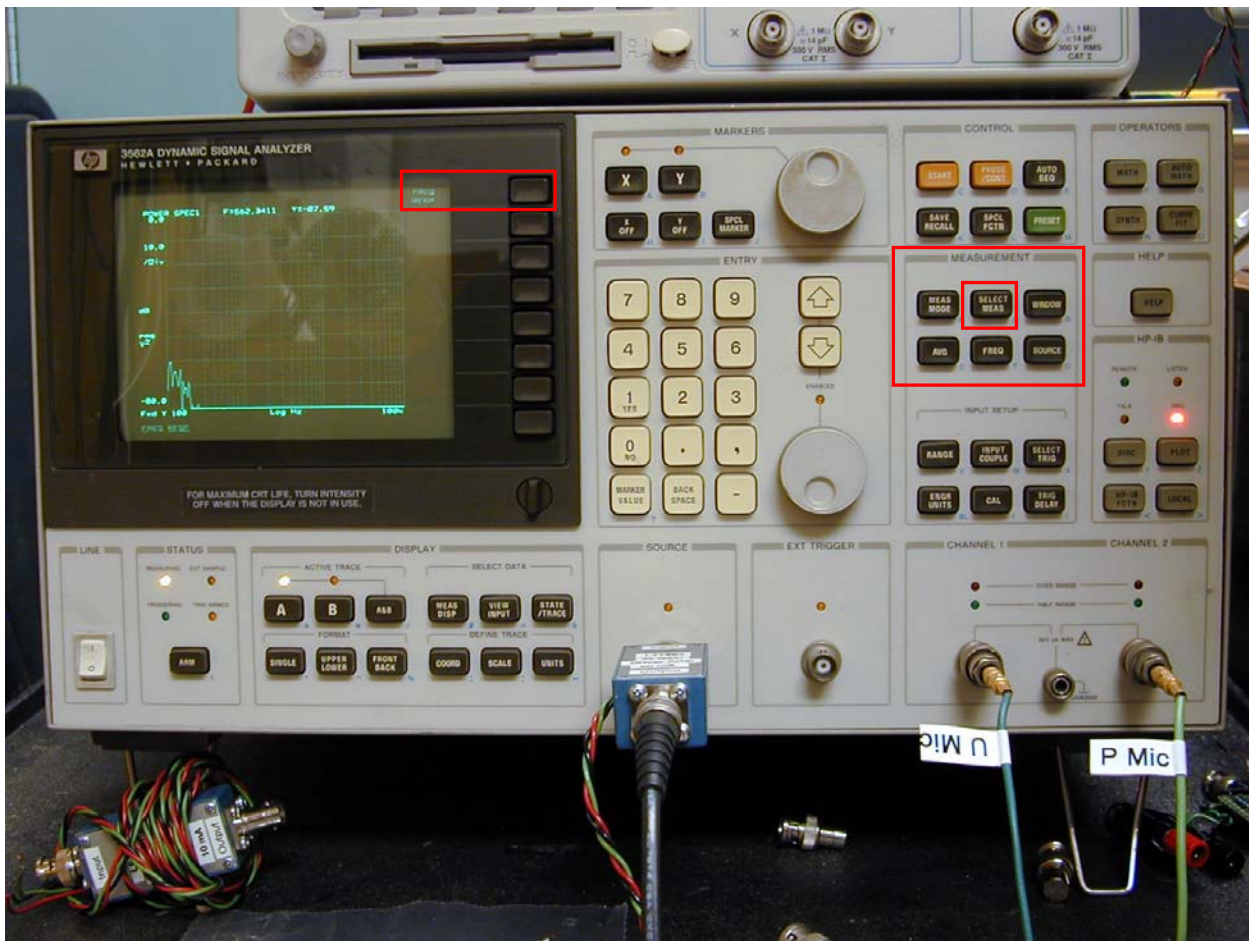
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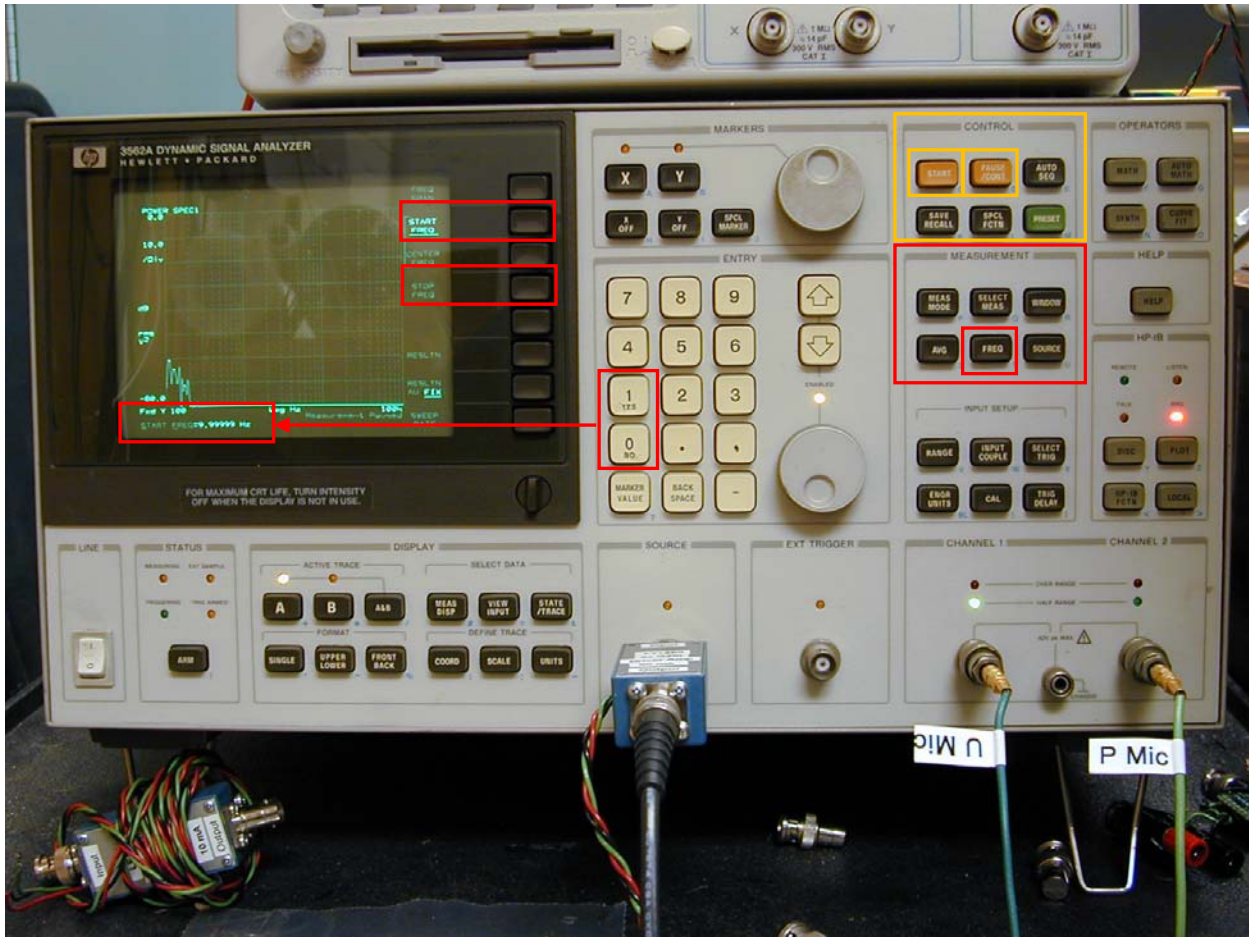
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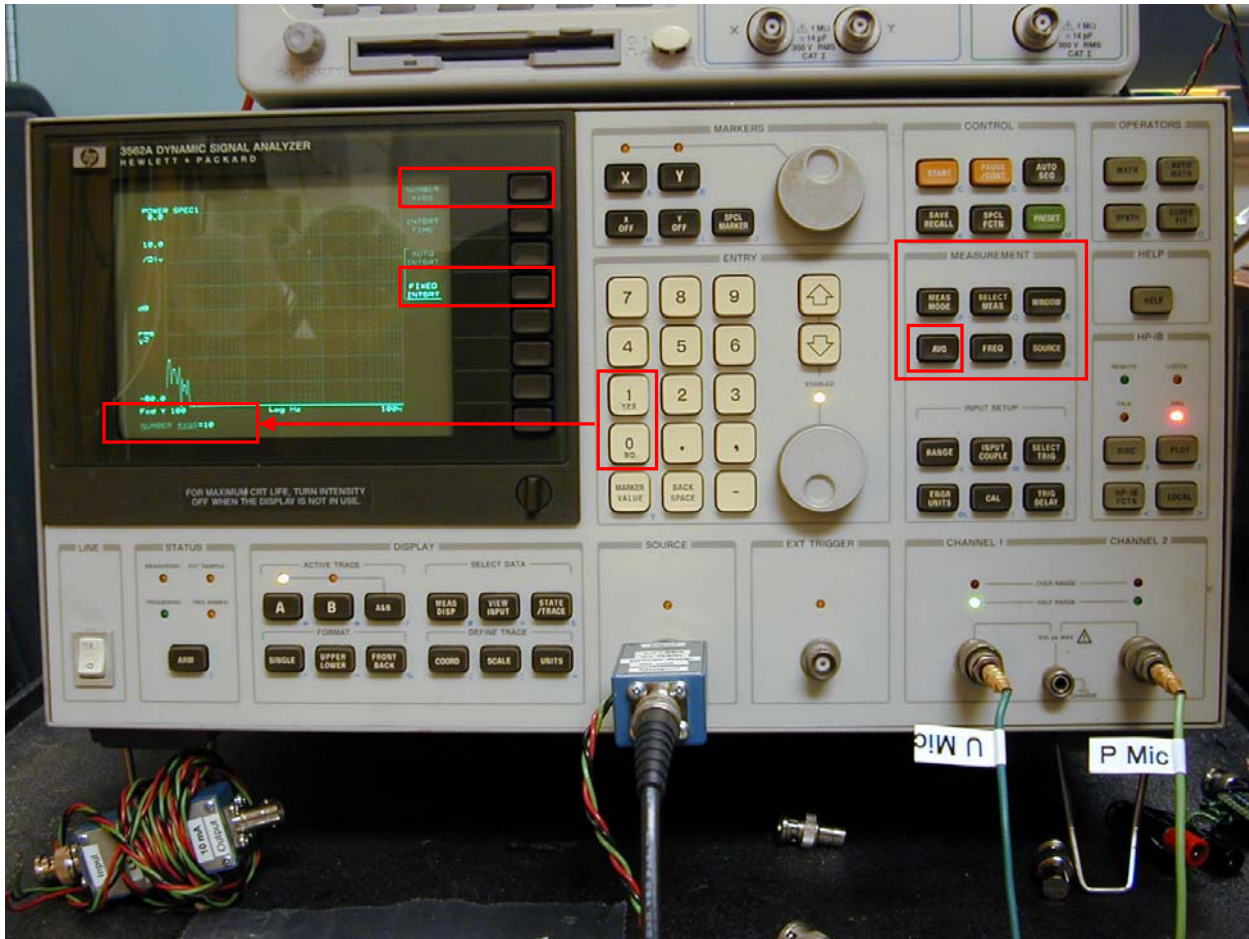
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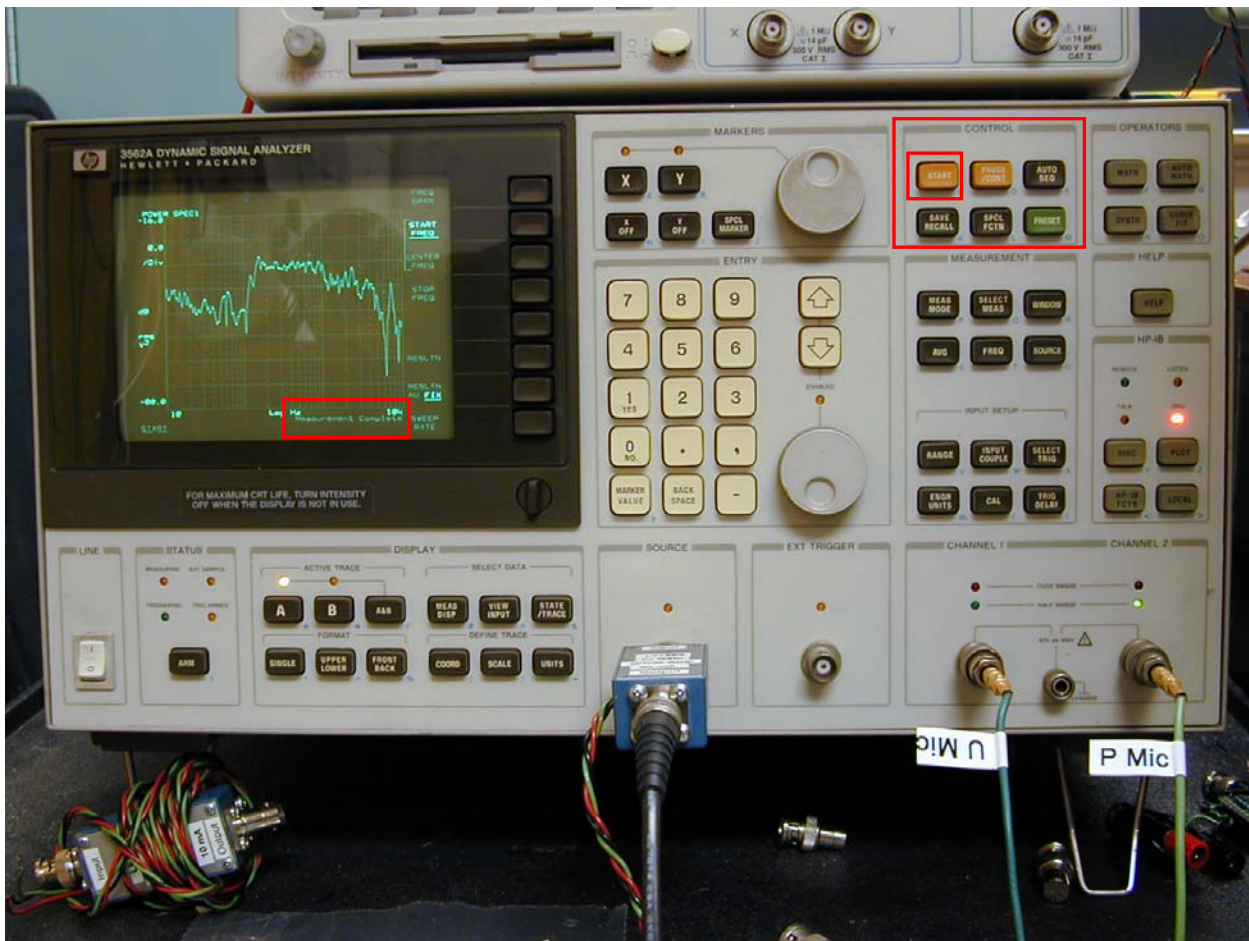
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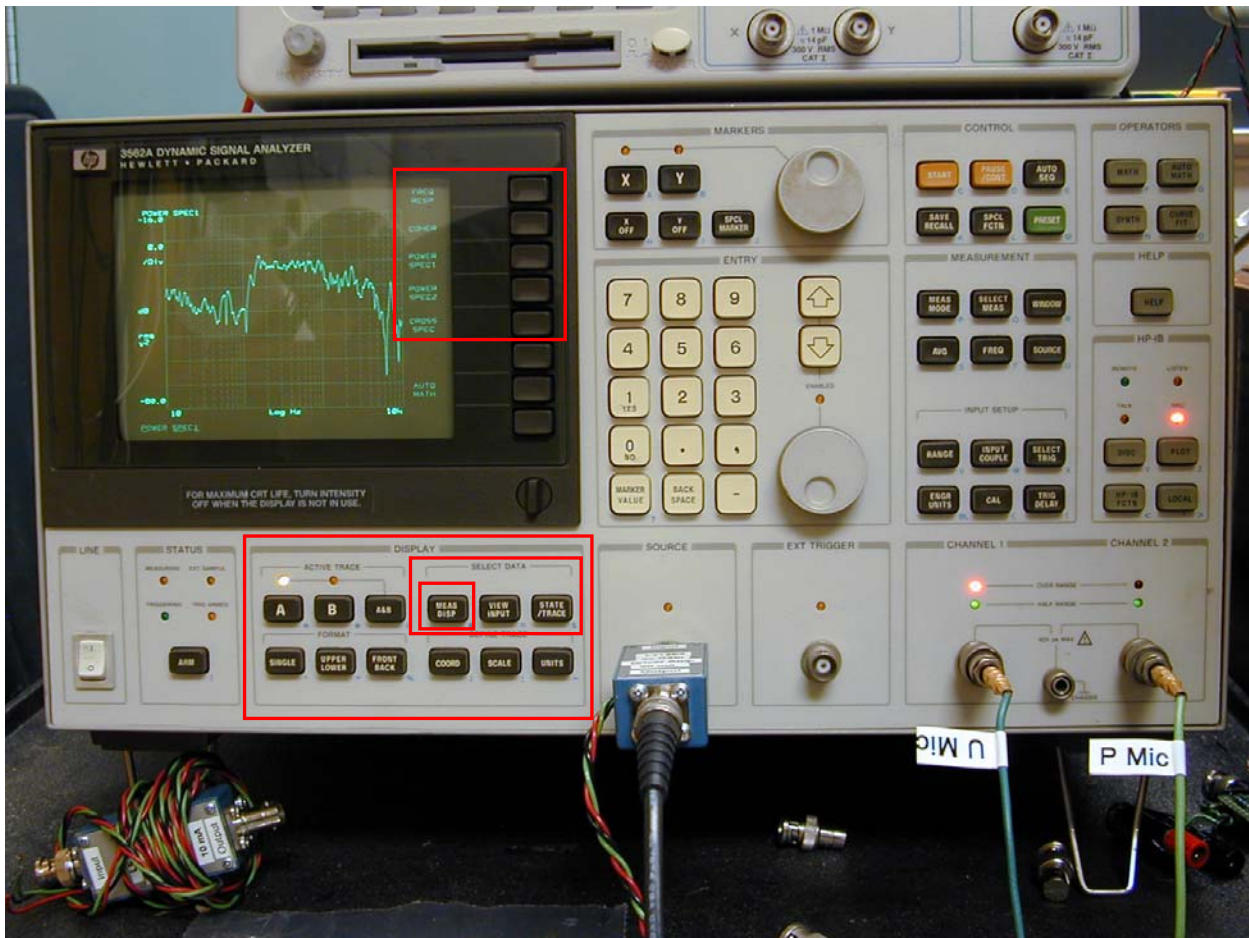
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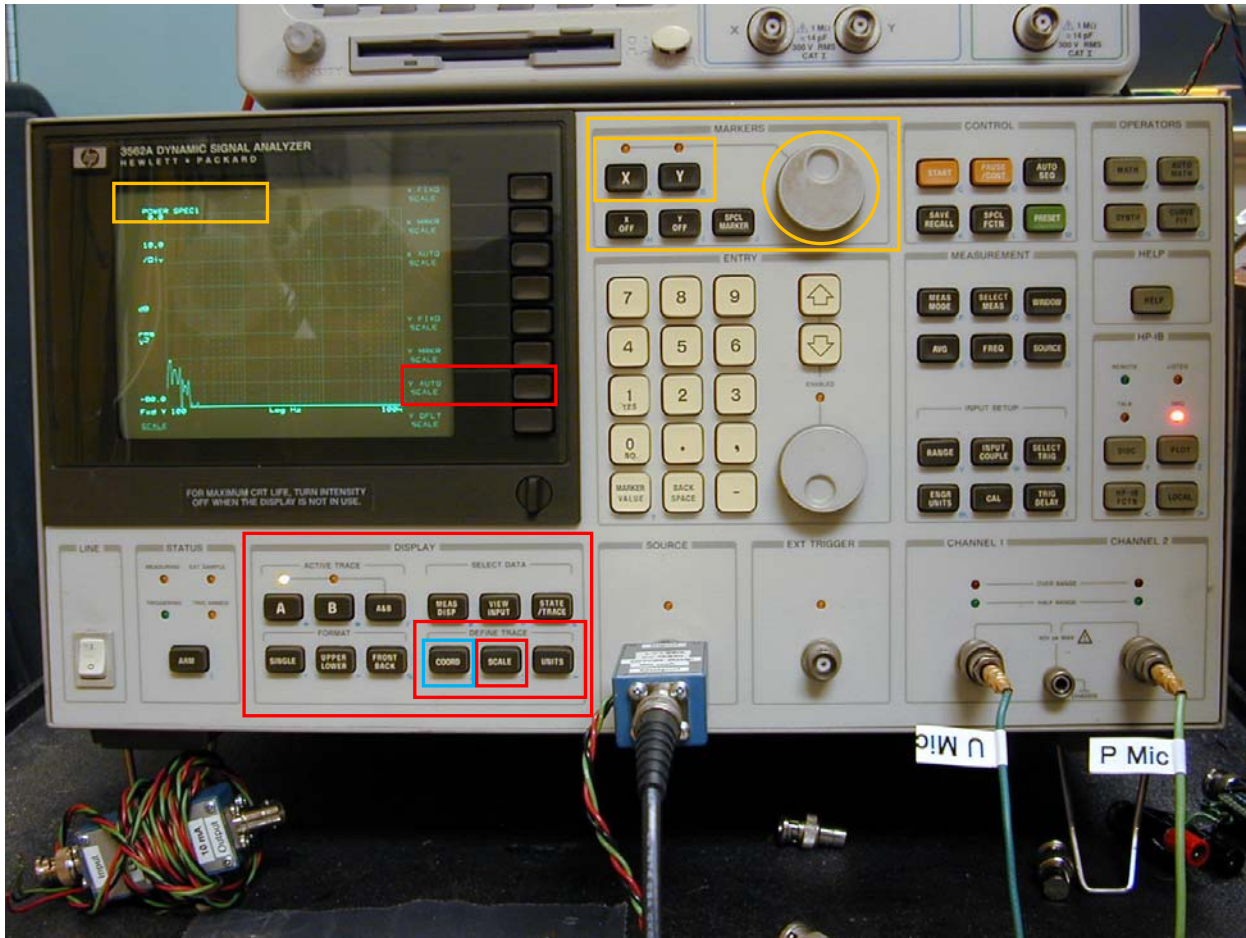
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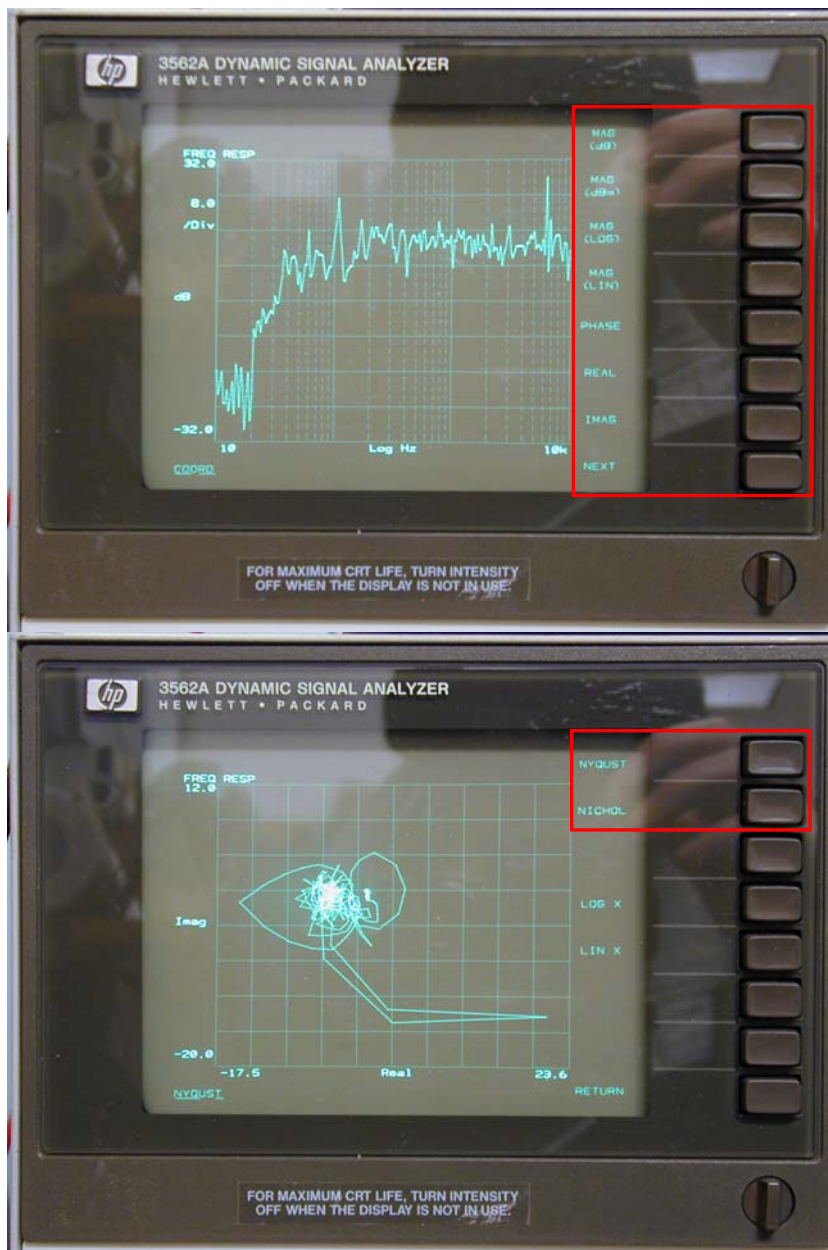
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