

# 8831Q

## Portable Spectrum Analyzer

- Increases Productivity by Providing a Complete Set of Spectrum Analysis Tests in One Instrument
- Intuitive User Interface Reduces Learning Curve
- Full-Featured, High-Performance, Remote Operation and Switch Control Provides Flexibility and Expandability
- Automated FCC Digital and Analog Proof-of-Performance (POP) Tests with Report Generation



The 8831Q™ is a high-performance spectrum analyzer which provides comprehensive signal analysis all in one portable package. It can be used anywhere in the cable network for analyzing RF signals with a broad range of measurements.

From analysis of digitally modulated signals to tests of distortion and noise parameters in the field, this spectrum analyzer is an industry workhorse. The analyzer is specifically focused on the cable TV industry with application specific test features.

### **Complete digital and analog FCC POP measurements**

The 8831Q comes with the capability to perform automated proof-of-performance measurements on QAM signals. These detailed measurements include Transit Delay, Carrier-to-Noise (C/N), Composite Triple Beat (CTB), Composite Second Order (CSO), AM Hum, Digital Hum, Group Delay, Burst Noise, and Maximum Amplitude Variation. Phase Noise and Jitter measurements are also included ready-to-use right out of the box.

### **Applications in the field**

The 8831Q meets the precision testing requirements needed for use in the field. It provides a familiar look and feel for those cable operators using spectrum analyzers in the head-end as a tool for in-depth testing and troubleshooting. The 8831Q also features remote operation and switch control capabilities that provide flexibility and expandability. Its intuitive user interface will minimize learning curves and allow technicians to get into the field quickly and begin testing.

### **Troubleshooting capabilities**

When signal quality is of the utmost importance, the 8831Q is the tool for the job that will help the head-end technician ensure that quality meets expectations. Providing the ability to test all types of signals with a full complement of analysis measurements makes troubleshooting and aligning easy to perform for both the head-end technician and the senior technician responsible for proof-of-performance tests.

The 8831Q is the portable spectrum analyzer to turn to when signal quality and proof-of-performance is priority. Making troubleshooting simple to perform, its complete package of digital and analog measurements will ensure with high precision that signals are of the highest quality all while saving time and increasing productivity.

## SPECIFICATIONS

## Frequency

<b>Range</b>	1 MHz to 1 GHz
<b>Resolution Bandwidth</b>	1 kHz to 3 MHz in 1-3-10 sequence
<b>Accuracy</b>	±15%
<b>Video Bandwidths</b>	10 Hz to 1 MHz in 1-3-10 sequence
<b>Frequency Reference</b>	<b>Aging:</b> ±1 PPM per year
<b>Frequency Reference</b>	<b>Temperature stability:</b> ±2 PPM @ 0 to 50 °C (32 to 122 °F)
<b>Phase Noise</b>	>90 dBc/Hz @ ±10 kHz
<b>Frequency Counter</b>	<b>Accuracy:</b> ±2 PPM, ±1 count <b>Resolution:</b> 1 Hz

## Frequency Span

<b>Range</b>	0 Hz, 200 Hz to 1.0 GHz
<b>Sweep Time Range</b>	20 µsec to 500 sec (span = 0 Hz) 30 msec to 500 sec (span > 0 Hz)
<b>Sweep Trigger</b>	Free run, single, video, TV

## Analog Channel Measurements (Visual and aural carrier levels)

<b>Channel Plans</b>	NTSC, PAL, and custom
<b>File Transfer</b>	LAN and USB
<b>High Speed Channel Scan</b>	50 channels ≈ 1 minute
<b>Multi-Channel Mode</b>	Variable, up to 8 channels
<b>Single-Channel Mode</b>	With spectrum display
<b>Tuning Range</b>	5 MHz to 1.0 GHz
<b>TV Channel Amplitude Range</b>	-40 dBmV to 65 dBmV, ±1.0 dB for S/N > 30 dB
<b>Visual/Aural Delta Amplitude</b>	±1.0 dB for S/N > 30 dB

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### Amplitude

<b>Response Flatness</b>	±1.0 dB (1 MHz to 1.0 GHz)
<b>Level Accuracy</b>	±1.0 dB @ 68 °F (20 °C)
<b>Impedance at RF Input</b>	75 Ω
<b>Input Return Loss</b>	>14 dB (>10 dB attenuation)
<b>Maximum Safe Input</b>	68 dBmV, 100 VDC
<b>DANL</b>	<b>Without preamp:</b> < -95 dBmV/Hz @ 30 kHz RBW <b>With preamp (typical)</b> < -115 dBmV/Hz @ 30 kHz RBW
<b>Noise Figure</b>	14 dB
<b>2nd Harmonic Distortion</b>	< -68 dBc for 29 dBmV tone at input mixer
<b>3rd Order Distortion</b>	< -68 dBc for (2) 29 dBmV tones at input mixer
<b>Residual Responses</b>	< -55 dBmV
<b>Vertical Scale</b>	0.1 to 1.0 dB/div in 0.1 dB steps 1 to 40 dB/div in 1 dB steps
<b>Input Attenuator</b>	0 to 55 dB in 5 dB steps
<b>Internal Calibrator</b>	150 MHz at 28.7 dBmV, ±0.5 dB

### TV Visual Frequency

<b>Accuracy</b>	±2 PPM
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### FM Deviation

<b>Range</b>	100 kHz
<b>Accuracy</b>	±2 kHz, 1 to 80 kHz ±3 kHz to 100 kHz

### HUM Modulation

<b>Modes</b>	CW or modulated
<b>Range</b>	1% to 20%
<b>Accuracy</b>	±0.5% from 1 to 5% ±1% from 5 to 20%

### Cross-Modulation

<b>Range</b>	-45 dB to -65 dB
<b>Accuracy</b>	±0.5% from 1 to 5% ±1% from 5 to 20%

### Depth of Modulation

<b>AM Range</b>	40% to 95%
<b>Accuracy</b>	±1.5% (C/N > 40 dB)
<b>Signal Type</b>	Use VITS line with white reference

### In-Channel Response

<b>Signal Type</b>	Multi-burst or GCR VITS signal
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### Carrier-to-Composite Noise

<b>Optimum Input Range</b>	> 5 dBmV
<b>Maximum C/N</b>	55 dB with ±2 dB accuracy 60 dB with ±3 dB accuracy

### CSO/CTB

<b>Optimum Input Range</b>	> 5 dBmV
<b>Maximum</b>	63 dBc with ±1.5 dB accuracy 70 dBc with ±4.0 dB accuracy

### Cross-Modulation

<b>Range</b>	60 dB, usable to 65 dB
<b>Resolution</b>	0.1 dB
<b>Accuracy</b>	±2.0 dB for xmod. < 40 dB, C/N > 40 dB: ±2.6 dB for xmod. <50 dB, C/N > 40 dB: ± 4.6 dB for xmod. <60 dB, C/N > 40 dB

**DIGITAL CHANNEL MEASUREMENTS****Average Channel Power**

<b>Amplitude Range</b>	-30 to 60 dBmV
<b>Accuracy</b>	±1.0 dB
<b>Channel Bandwidth Range</b>	200 kHz to 200 MHz

**Digital Modulation**

<b>Modulation Format</b>	QPSK, 16, 32, 64, 128, 256 QAM ITU-T J.83 annex A, B, and C
<b>Symbol Rates</b>	1 to 7 MSPS
<b>Interleave Capability</b>	Up to 128 x 4 in annex B 12 x 17 in annex A and C
<b>Constellation Display</b>	Full constellation with zoom
<b>Adaptive Equalizer Display</b>	8 FFE taps, 24 DFE taps

**Modulation Error Ratio (MER)**

<b>Range</b>	22 to 43 dB
<b>Accuracy</b>	±0.5 dB 22 to 30 dB ±1.0 dB 30 to 35 dB ±1.8 dB 35 to 43 dB

**Error Vector Magnitude (EVM)**

<b>Range</b>	0.65% to 4.1%
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**Bit Error Ratio (BER) (Before and after R-S decoding)**

<b>User-Selectable Time Period</b>	$1.0 \times 10^{-9}$ to $2.0 \times 10^{-3}$
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### MISCELLANEOUS SPECIFICATIONS

#### Display

Display Type	TFT active matrix color VGA LCD
Display Size (Width)	6.4" (163 mm)

#### Power

Battery Type	14.4 V @ 6 Ah Lithium-ion
Run Time	>2.5 hours
Charge Time	<6.0 hours
Charger Type	External AC adapter

#### Mechanical

Dimensions (H x W x D)	(6.3" x 13.4" x 13.8") 160mm x 340mm x 350mm
Weight	19.8 lbs (9 Kg)

#### Environmental

Operating Temperature	32 to 122 °F (0 to 50 °C)
Storage Temperature	-4 to 131 °F (-20 to 55 °C)

### AVAILABLE MODELS:

8831Q Portable Spectrum Analyzer  
**P/N 2011658001**

8831Q Portable Spectrum Analyzer  
with Tracking Generator  
**P/N 2011658011**

### INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING:

Portable Spectrum Analyzer  
**P/N 2011658001**

AC to DC Power Adapter & Battery  
Charger

Lithium-Ion Battery

F-Type to F-Type Connector

F-Type to BNC Connector

BNC Calibration Cable

RJ-45 Network Cable

RJ-45 Network Crossover Cable

512 MB USB Flash Drive with Q-Lab  
Software and Operation Manual

Carrying Case on Wheels

### OPTIONAL ACCESSORIES:

F-type Push-On Adapters  
**P/N 0200622000**

I-Stop Test Probe  
**P/N 2010838001**

I/O-15 Precision Test Cable  
**P/N 2071527048**



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