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# **HP 81536A Lightwave Multimeter Sensor Module Operating and Programming Manual**

## **SERIAL NUMBERS**

This manual applies to all instruments.



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## Safety Considerations

Before operation, you should review the instrument and manual, including the red safety page, for safety markings and instructions. You must follow these to ensure safe operation and to maintain the instrument in safe condition.

### Initial Inspection

Inspect the shipping container for damage. If there is damage to the container or cushioning, you should keep it until you have checked the contents of the shipment for completeness and verified the module both mechanically and electrically.

The Performance Tests give procedures for checking the operation of the module. If the contents are incomplete, mechanical damage or defect is apparent, or if a module

does not pass the operator's checks, notify the nearest Hewlett-Packard office.

### **Warning**



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**To avoid hazardous electrical shock, do not perform electrical tests when there are signs of shipping damage to any portion of the outer enclosure (covers, panels, etc.).**

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### **Power Requirements**

The HP 81536A will operate when installed into the HP 8153A Optical Multimeter mainframe.

### **Operating Environment**

The HP 8153A safety information summarizes the HP 81536A operating environment ranges. In order for the HP 81536A to meet specifications, the operating environment must be within the limits specified in this section.

### **Input/Output Signals**



### **Caution**



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A maximum of 15V can be applied as an external voltage to any BNC connectors.

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### **Storage and Shipment**

The module can be stored or shipped at temperatures between  $-40^{\circ}\text{C}$  and  $+70^{\circ}\text{C}$ . The module should be protected from temperature extremes that may cause condensation within it.

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## **HP 81536A Specifications**

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Specifications describe the instrument's warranted performance. Supplementary performance characteristics describe the instrument's non-warranted typical performance.

Because of the modular nature of the instrument, these performance specifications apply only to this module. You should insert these pages into the appropriate section of the manual.

### HP 81536A Specifications

Sensor Element	InGaAs
Wavelength range	800-1700nm
Power range	+3 to -70dBm
Display resolution	
dBm, dB	0.001dBm, 0.001dB
Watt	100pW
Applicable fiber type	9/125 $\mu$ m - 100/140 $\mu$ m, NA $\leq$ 0.3
Uncertainty (Accuracy)	$\pm$ 2.5% (1000-1650nm) <sup>[1]</sup>
Total Uncertainty	$\pm$ 5% $\pm$ 50pW (1000-1650nm) <sup>[2]</sup>
Linearity	(0 to -50dBm)
18°C to 28°C const. temp	$\pm$ 0.015dB $\pm$ 30pW
0°C to 55°C const. temp	$\pm$ 0.05dB $\pm$ 50pW
Noise	<50pW (1200-1600nm)
peak-peak, avg. time 1sec	
Dimensions	75mm H, 32mm W, 335mm D (2.8" $\times$ 1.3" $\times$ 13.2")
Weight	net 0.6kg (1.3lbs), shipping 1kg (2.2lbs)
Recalibration period	1 year
Warmup time	20 min.

Information on the traceability of power meters is available on request

[1] at the following reference conditions:

- Power level 10 $\mu$ m (-20dBm), Continuous Wave (CW).
- Fiber 50 $\mu$ m graded index, NA=0.2, fully excited.
- Ambient temperature 23 $\pm$ 5°C.
- Connector Diamond HMS-10/HP.
- At day of calibration.

[2] at the following operating conditions:

- Power range as stated under linearity.
- Fiber  $\leq 50\mu\text{m}$ , NA  $\leq 0.2$ .
- For NA  $> 0.2$  add 1%.
- Ambient temperature 0 to 55°C.
- Connector HMS-10/HP, FC/PC, DIN 47256, ST. For Biconic add 1%.
- Within 1 year after calibration.

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## Supplementary Performance Characteristics

To get the **Total Uncertainty** for this module in the 800-1000nm wavelength range, add 1% to the values shown in the specifications.

Outside the specified wavelength range, the noise increases by up to 5 times the value shown above.

Analog output	
bandwidth	DC-700Hz
output voltage	0 to 2V into open
output impedance	600 $\Omega$ typ.
max. input voltage	$\pm 10\text{V}$



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## Performance Tests

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### Introduction

The procedures in this section test the electrical performance of the instrument. The complete specifications to which the HP 81536A is tested are given in Appendix C. All tests can be performed without access to the interior of the instrument. The test equipment given corresponds to tests carried out with Diamond<sup>R</sup> HMS-10/HP connectors.

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### Equipment Required

Equipment required for the performance test is listed in the table below. Any equipment which satisfies the critical specifications of the equipment given in the table may be substituted for the recommended models.



### Recommended Test Equipment

Instrument/Accessory	Rec. Model
Power Meter Standard	HP 8153A Mainframe with HP 81533A Optical Head Interface Module with HP 81521B Optical Head <i>OR</i> HP 8152A Power Meter with HP 81521B Optical Head
Multimeter Mainframe	HP 8153A
CW Laser Sources	HP 81552SM and HP 81553SM or HP 81554SM or HP 8155A Opt.002 and HP 8155A Opt.003
Optical Attenuator	HP 8158B Opt.002/011
Connector Adapter	81000AA
Connector Interface	HP 81000AI 2ea (08154-61701)
Multimode Fiber	HP 81501AC 2ea
Plastic Cap	5040-9351 2ea
Cleaning Kit	HP 15475A

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## **Test Record**

Results of the performance test may be tabulated on the Test Record provided at the end of the test procedures. It is recommended that you fill out the Test Record and refer to it while doing the test. Since the test limits and setup information are printed on the Test Record for easy reference, the record can also be used as an abbreviated test procedure (if you are already familiar with the test procedures). The Test Record can also be used as a permanent record and may be reproduced without written permission from Hewlett-Packard.

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## **Test Failure**

If the HP 81536A fails any performance test, return the instrument to the nearest Hewlett-Packard Sales/Service Office for repair.

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## **Instruments Specification**

Specifications are the performance characteristics of the instrument which are certified. These specifications, listed in Appendix C are the performance standards or limits against which the HP 81536A can be tested. Appendix C also lists some supplemental characteristics of the HP 81536A and should be considered as additional information.

Any changes in the specifications due to manufacturing changes, design, or traceability to the National Bureau of Standards will be covered in a manual change supplement or revised manual. The specifications listed here supercode any previously published.

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## Performance Test

The performance test given in this section includes the Accuracy Test, the Linearity Test and the Noise Test. Perform each step in the tests in the order they are given using the corresponding test equipment.

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### Note



Make sure that all optical connections of the test setups given in the procedure are dry and clean. **DO NOT USE IMMERSION OIL** (see cleaning procedure).

The Optical Cables from the Laser Source to and from the 8158B Attenuator to the Power Meter must be fixed on the table to ensure minimum cable movement during the tests.

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## Accuracy and Linearity Test

Specifications : HP 81536A

Uncertainty :  $\pm 5\% \pm 50\text{pw}$  (1000-1650nm)

Linearity :  $\pm 0.015\text{dB} \pm 30\text{pW}$

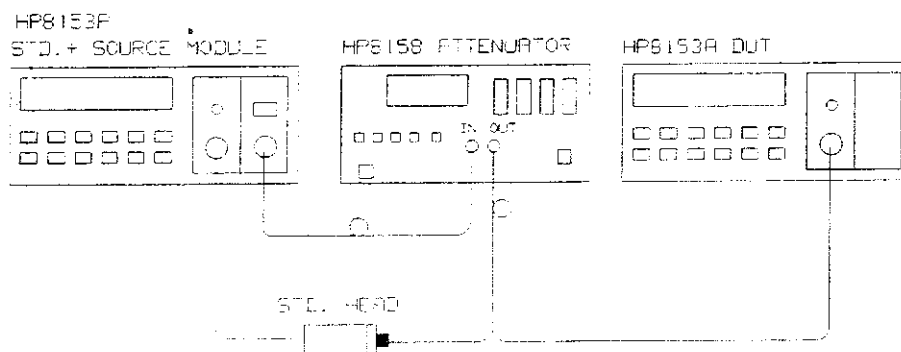


Figure D.81536-1.

### Test Set-Up

1. Make sure that cable connectors, detectors and adapters are clean.
2. Turn the instruments on, enable the Laser Source and allow the instruments to warm up for at least 20 minutes.
3. ZERO the power meters with the cable adapter/interface covered with plastic caps (P/N 5040-9361 or 5040-9351).
4. Connect the equipment as shown in the figure above. Ensure that the cables to and from the Attenuator are fixed on the table and both, the Standard Head and the DUT, are close together so that minimum cable movement is achieved when connecting the cable to the Standard Head or to the DUT.

### Procedure

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**Note**

The Calibration Accuracy and Linearity Test must be performed at one wavelength setting. The Calibration Accuracy at other wavelengths requires then only a test in the -20 dBm range at 10  $\mu$ W.

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1. Set the CAL factor of both power meters to zero.
2. Set the WAVELENGTH of both instruments to the wavelength of the Laser Source.
3. Set both instruments to MEASure, (display in W), switch AUTOrange off and select the -50dBm range.
4. Set the averaging time to 500ms on the HP 8153A.
5. Enable the HP 8158B output, and change the HP 8158B attenuation until the Power Meter Standard displays 1.90nW. (-50dBm range)
6. Connect the attenuator output cable to the DUT and check that the DUT display is between 1.805nW and 1.995nW (-50dBm range) and note the result in the Test Record.
7. Connect the attenuator output cable to the STANDARD and change the HP 8158B attenuation until the STANDARD displays 19.00nW (-50dBm range).

8. Check that the DUT display is between 18.05nW and 19.95nW (-50dBm range) and note the result in the Test Record.
9. On the HP 8153A press **DISP→REF**, then **dB** and select the next higher range (-40dBm range) with the **UP** key. Note the deviation displayed in dB in the Test Record.
10. Select display in Watt **dBm W** on the DUT and repeat the level and range comparison as described in steps 7 to 10 at the range and level settings shown in the Test Record up to the 0dBm range.

## Noise Test

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### Note



The noise measurement must be performed either with a module or a blank panel in the second channel position.

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1. Select Autorange, Display in Watt and Averaging Time T=1s on the HP 8153A.
2. Cover the HP 81536A optical input with a plastic cap and press Zero.
3. Watch the HP 8153A display a few seconds and note the maximum noise (pW) in the Test Record.

### Performance Test Record

Hewlett-Packard Model 81536A Test Performed By \_\_\_\_\_

Power Sensor Module \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Serial Number \_\_\_\_\_ Comments \_\_\_\_\_

### Calibration Accuracy, Linearity and Noise Test

Test Conditions: Multimode Fiber with Diamond<sup>R</sup> HMS-10/HP connectors

Accuracy and Linearity Specifications measured at \_\_\_\_\_nm Wavelength

DUT Range	Reference Power	Min	DUT Actual	Max	Linearity $\pm 0.015\text{dB} \pm 30\text{pW}$	Pass	Fail
-50dBm	1.90nW	1.804nW	_____nW	1.996nW		---	---
-50dBm	19.00nW	18.04nW	_____nW	19.96nW		---	---
-40dBm	19.00nW				_____dB	---	---
-40dBm	190.0nW	180.4nW	_____nW	199.6nW		---	---
-30dBm	190.0nW				_____dB	---	---
-30dBm	1900nW	1804nW	_____nW	1996 nW		---	---
-20dBm	1900nW				_____dB	---	---

DUT Range	Reference Power	Min	DUT Actual	Max	Linearity $\pm 0.015\text{dB} \pm 30\text{pW}$	Pass	Fail
-20dBm	19.00 $\mu\text{W}$	18.05 $\mu\text{W}$	----- $\mu\text{W}$	19.95 $\mu\text{W}$		---	---
-10dBm	19.00 $\mu\text{W}$				----dB	---	---
-10dBm	190.0 $\mu\text{W}$	180.5 $\mu\text{W}$	----- $\mu\text{W}$	199.5 $\mu\text{W}$		---	---
0dBm	190.0 $\mu\text{W}$				----dB	---	---

Calibration Accuracy measured at -----nm wavelenth

-20dBm 10.00 $\mu\text{W}$  9.50 $\mu\text{W}$  ----- $\mu\text{W}$  10.50 $\mu\text{W}$  ---

Noise < 50 pW -----pW ---