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Test Report

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Model: DH4

Description: Digital Signal Booster

Serial Numbers: 17030117FU (Low Channel) and 17030118FU (High Channel)

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Test and Measurement Data

All tests and measurement data shown were performed in accordance with FCC Rules and Regulations Part 90.219, KDB 935210 D05 Booster, and FCC Part 2, where appropriate.

Standard Test Conditions and Engineering Practices

Except as noted herein, the following conditions and procedures were observed during the testing.

In accordance with ANSI/TIA 603C, and unless otherwise indicated in the specific measurement results, the ambient temperature of the actual EUT was maintained within the range of 10° to 40°C (50° to 104°F) unless the particular equipment requirements specify testing over a different temperature range. Also, unless otherwise indicated, the humidity levels were in the range of 10% to 90% relative humidity.

Environmental Conditions		
Temp (°C)	Humidity (%)	Pressure (mbar)
23 - 25	25.5 -28.4	956.6 – 961.8

Measurement results, unless otherwise noted, are worst-case measurements.

EUT Description

Model: DH4

Description: Digital Signal Booster

Firmware: N/A

Software: Fiplex

Serial Numbers: 17030117FU (Low Channel) and 17030118FU (High Channel)

Additional Information:

The EUT incorporates narrowband filtering. The device can be ordered tuned to be a custom channelized BDA with an operating band width of 2MHz. This 2 MHz can be located anywhere within the allocated frequency band of 450 – 512 MHz. The manufacturer has supplied two separate devices for this testing. One box has been tuned to the low end (450MHz) and another box tuned to the high end (512 MHz). Due to the channelized nature of the EUT, some of the described tests in KDB 935210 were slightly altered to accommodate the truncated frequency selection. Within the mentioned 2 MHz, the device is further controlled using digital filtering techniques to adjust individual 45kHz wide channel. Each narrowband 45kHz channel is separately tunable by the manufacturer to maximize the output power; therefore, the output power should be the same throughout the band. The channel with the highest amplitude measured was used to determine compliance throughout the testing. The out of band rejection test was performed with both units and the delta between their highest and lowest -20dBc points were taken as the bandwidth of the EUT. The term “center of the passband” is referring to the center of the 2 MHz band that is being tested and is deemed to be the worst case maximum rated output condition.

EUT Operation during Tests

The EUT is in normal operating mode with the maximum gain and power set.

	Frequency (MHz)	Emission Designators
Downlink	450 – 512	4K00F1E, 11K0F1E, 16K0F1E, 6K25F1D
Uplink	450 - 512	4K00F1E, 11K0F1E, 16K0F1E, 6K25F1D

Accessories: None

Cables: None

Modifications: None



Test Result Summary

Specification	Test Name	Pass, Fail, N/A	Comments
KDB 935210 D05	AGC Threshold	Pass	
KDB 935210-D03	Out of Band Rejection	Pass	
2.1046	Output Power (Conducted)	Pass	
90.210 2.1049	Occupied Bandwidth (Emission Masks)	Pass	
2.1051	Spurious Emissions (Transmitter Conducted)	Pass	
2.1053	Radiated Spurious Emissions	Pass	
KDB 935210-D03	Intermodulation	Pass	
90.219(e)(2)	Noise Figure	Pass	
90.213	Frequency Stability (Temperature Variation)	N/A	The EUT does not incorporate frequency translation
90.213	Frequency Stability (Voltage Variation)	N/A	The EUT does not incorporate frequency translation



AGC Threshold

Engineer: Alex Macon

Test Date: 4/28/17

Test Procedure

A signal generator producing a CW signal was connected to the input of the EUT. A spectrum analyzer was connected to the EUT in order to monitor the output power levels. The input power level was increase in 1 dB increments until the power no longer increased. The input levels were recorded in the table below.

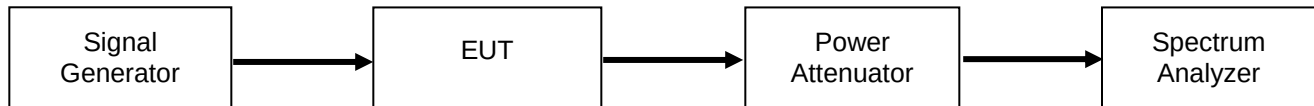
Spectrum Analyzer settings

Power Channel integration

RBW = 1-5% of EBW

Video BW = 3x RBW

Test Setup



Mobile to Base

Tuned Frequency (MHz)	AGC Threshold (dBm)
450	-55.24
512	-55.8

Base to Mobile

Tuned Frequency (MHz)	AGC Threshold (dBm)
450	-43.44
512	-45.36



Out of Band Rejection

Engineer: Alex Macon

Test Date: 4/27/17

Test Procedure

The EUT was connected to a spectrum analyzer through a 30 dB power attenuator. A signal generator was utilized to produce a swept CW signal with the RF input level set to 3 dB below the AGC Threshold level. Due to the channelized nature of the device, the -20dBc was taken from the highest point in the tuned filter. This was repeated on the high channel and the low channel. The low end measurement subtracted from the high end measurement gives you the authorized band.

RBW = 100 KHz

Video BW = 3x RBW

Test Setup



Refer to Annex A for Out of Band Rejection plots.



Conducted Output Power and Amplifier Gain

Engineer: Alex Macon

Test Date: 4/24/17

Test Procedure

The Equipment Under Test (EUT) was connected to a spectrum analyzer through a 30 dB Power attenuator. All cable and attenuator losses were input into the spectrum analyzer as a reference level offset to ensure accurate readings were obtained.

A CW signal was utilized, set to the frequency of the peak amplitude measured in the Out of Band Rejection test.

The RF input signal level was set to 0.2 dB below the AGC Threshold.

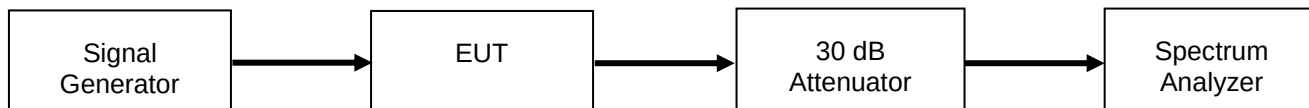
RBW = 100 kHz

Video BW = 3x RBW

The Input and Output power levels were recorded and the gain was calculated using the following formula:

$$\text{Gain (dB)} = \text{Output Power (dBm)} - \text{Input Power (dBm)}$$

Test Setup



Output Power and Gain Test Results

Tuned Frequency (MHz)	Input Power (dBm)	Output Power (dBm)	Gain (dB)
450 (Uplink)	-55.44	24.3	79.74
512 (Uplink)	-56.0	22.15	78.15
450 (Downlink)	-43.64	36.62	80.26
512 (Downlink)	-45.46	34.62	80.08

Radiated Output Power

Radiated Power (ERP) is dependent on the cable loss and antennas used when installed.

The user manual specification for Composite Output Power is 37 dBm.

Conducted Spurious Emissions

Engineer: Alex Macon

Test Date: 4/24/17

Test Procedure

The Equipment Under Test (EUT) was connected to a spectrum analyzer through a 30 dB Power attenuator. All cable and attenuator losses were input into the spectrum analyzer as a combination of reference level offset and correction factor as needed to ensure accurate readings were obtained.

A CW signal was utilized, set to the center frequency of the passband per supplied channel.

The RF input signal level was set to 0.2 dB below the AGC Threshold.

The VBW was set to 3 times the RBW.

The frequency range from 30 MHz to the 10th harmonic of the passband frequency was observed and plotted.

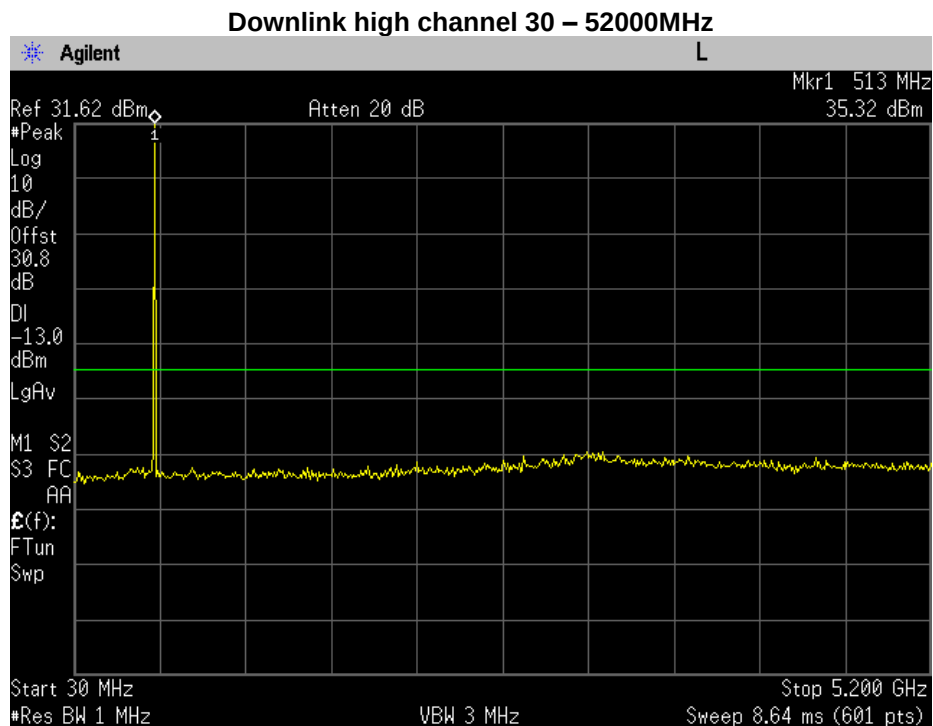
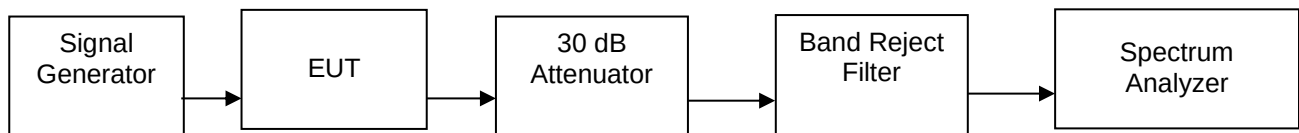
The following formula was used for calculating the limits.

Conducted Spurious Emissions Limit = $P1 - (43 + 10\log(P2)) = -13 \text{ dBm}$

P1 = power in dBm

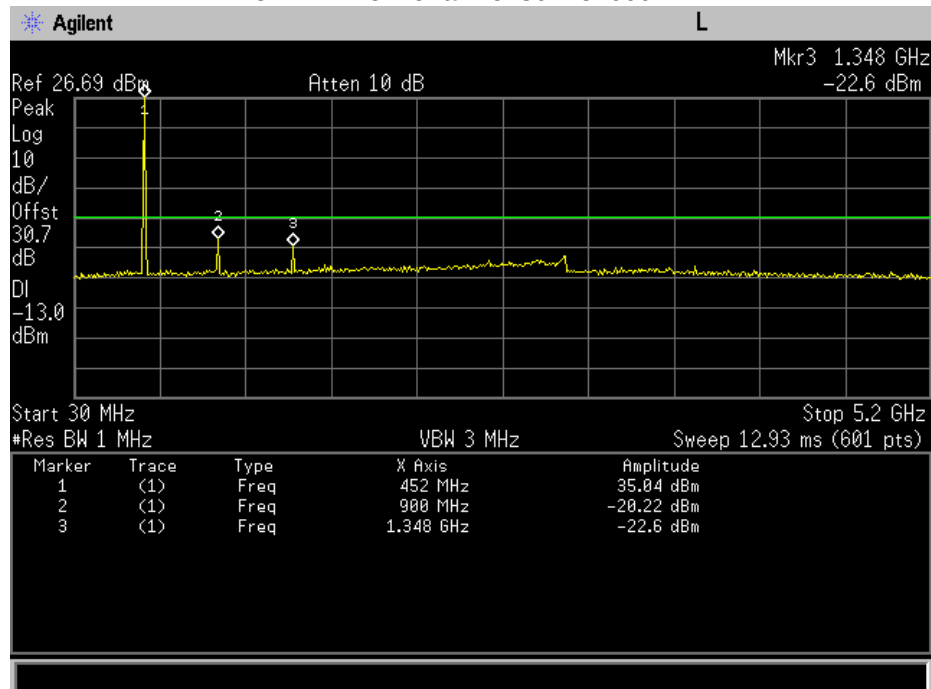
P2 = power in Watts

Test Setup

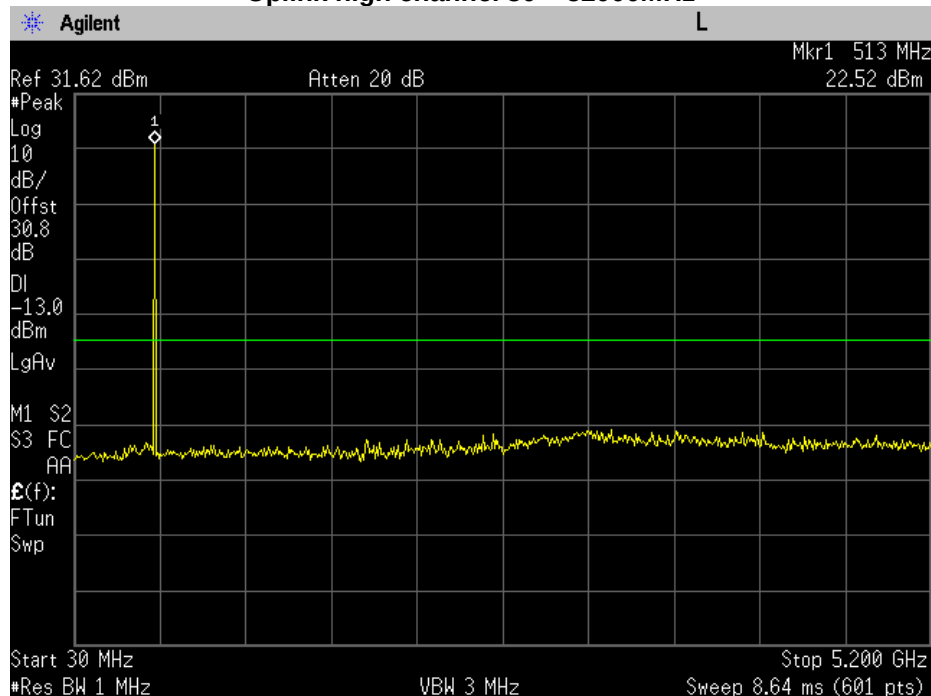




Downlink low channel 30 – 52000MHz

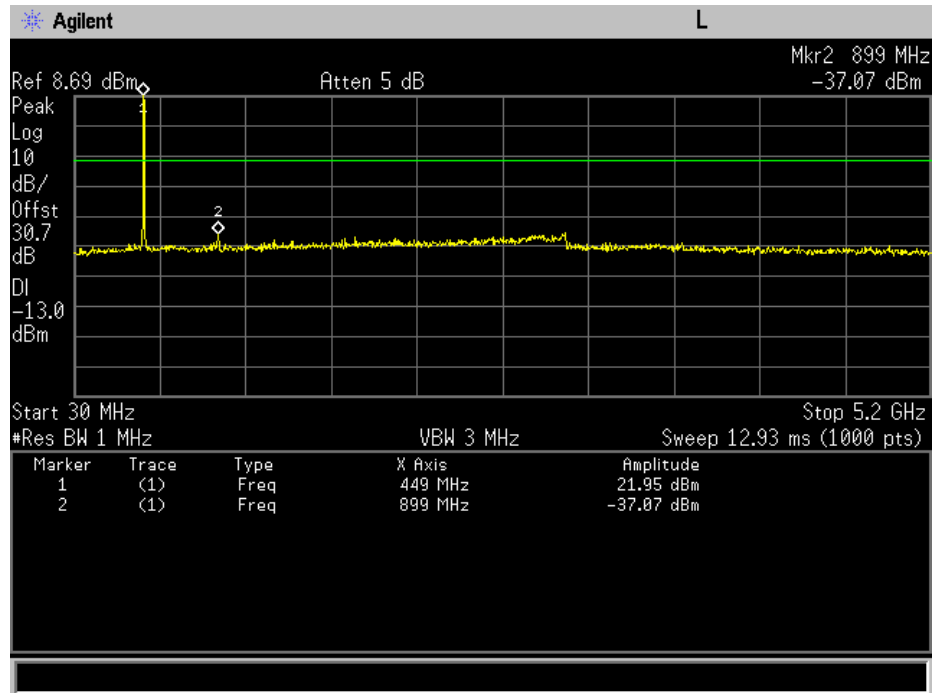


Uplink high channel 30 – 52000MHz





Uplink low channel 30 – 52000MHz





Radiated Spurious Emissions

Engineer: Alex Macon

Test Date: 4/25/17

Test Procedure

The EUT was tested in a semi-anechoic chamber with the turntable set 3m from the receiving antenna. A spectrum analyzer was used to verify that the EUT met the requirements for Radiated Emissions. The EUT was tested by rotating it 360 degrees with the antenna in both the vertical and horizontal orientation while raised from 1 to 4 meters to ensure that the signal levels were maximized. All cable and antenna correction factors were input into the spectrum analyzer ensuring an accurate measurement in ERP/EIRP with the resultant power in dBm. A signal generator was used to provide a CW signal. The EUT output was terminated into a 50 Ohm non-radiating load.

The RBW was set to 100 kHz for measurements below 1 GHz and 1 MHz for measurements above 1 GHz.
The VBW was set to 3 times the RBW.

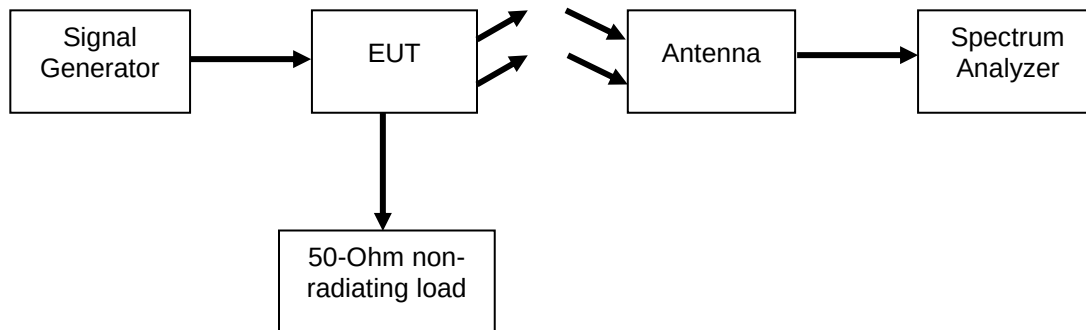
The following formula was used for calculating the limits:

Radiated Spurious Emissions Limit = $P1 - (43 + 10\log(P2)) = -13\text{dBm}$

P1 = power in dBm

P2 = power in Watts

Test Setup



Test Results

No other emissions were detected. All emissions were greater than -13 dBm.

Refer to Annex B for the Radiated Spurious Emissions Plots



Emission Masks (Occupied Bandwidth)

Engineer: Alex Macon

Test Date: 4/25/17

Test Procedure

The EUT was connected directly to a spectrum analyzer to verify that the EUT meets the required emissions mask. The EUT is a booster amplifier that does not contain a transmitter; representative emission designators used in the industry were used for the emission masks and are listed in Table 1.

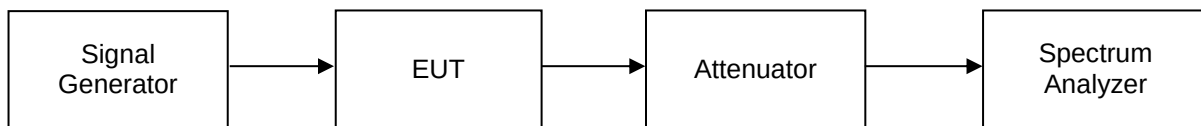
The output signal was tested to the required mask.

The input signal was recorded and compared to the output signal.

The input and output was tested at 0.2 dB below the AGC Threshold and +3 dB above the AGC Threshold.

Emission Designator	Emission Mask	Type of Modulation	Occupied Bandwidth (kHz)	Channel Spacing (kHz)	Audio Frequency (kHz)	Deviation (kHz)	RBW (Hz)
16K0F3E	C	FM	16.0	25	1.0	5.0	300
11K3F3E	D	FM	11.3	12.5	1.0	2.5	100
4K00F1E	E	FM	4	6.25	1.0	1.0	100
6K25F1D	D	C4FM	6	12.5	N/A	N/A	100

Test Setup



Refer to Annex C for Emission Mask plots



Intermodulation

Engineer: Alex Macon

Test Date: 4/24/17

Test Procedure

The EUT was connected to a spectrum analyzer through a 30 dB power attenuator. Two signal generators were utilized to produce a two tone signal with the 12.5 KHz channel spacing set so the intermodulation products fell within the operational band. Frequency at the maximum power from out of band rejection was utilized.

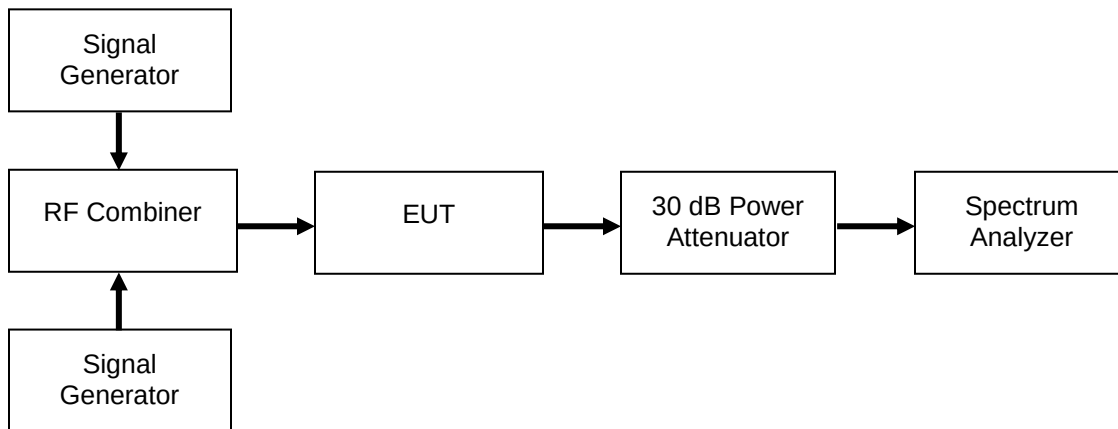
The Test was performed on both the uplink and downlink.

The RF input signal level was set to 0.2 dB below the AGC Threshold.

RBW = 300 Hz

Video BW = 3x RBW

Test Setup



Refer to Annex D for Intermodulation plots



Noise Figure Test

Engineer: Alex Macon

Test Date: 4/28/17

Test Procedure

The test equipment was connected as shown in the test setup.

The noise figure was measured at the passband center frequency.
Noise figure was measured using the high power output.



Frequency (MHz)	Noise Figure (dB)	Limit (dB)	Margin (dB)
512 (Uplink)	6.4	9	-2.6
512 (Downlink)	7.6	9	-1.4



Test Equipment Utilized

Description	Manufacturer	Model #	CT Asset #	Last Cal Date	Cal Due Date
Horn Antenna	ARA	DRG-118/A	i00271	6/16/16	6/16/18
Humidity / Temp Meter	Newport	IBTHX-W-5	i00282	5/26/16	5/26/17
Bi-Log Antenna	Schaffner	CBL 6111D	i00349	8/3/16	8/3/18
EMI Analyzer	Agilent	E7405A	i00379	2/22/17	2/22/18
3 Meter Semi-Anechoic Chamber	Panashield	3 Meter Semi-Anechoic Chamber	i00428	8/15/16	8/15/19
PSA Spectrum Analyzer	Agilent	E4445A	i00471	8/30/16	8/30/17
Preamplifier for 1-18GHz horn antenna	Miteq	AFS44 00101 400 23-10P-44	i00509	N/A	N/A
Noise Figure Meter	HP	8970B	i00444	8/13/15	8/13/17
Signal Generator	Agilent	E4438C	i00457	10/19/16	10/19/18
Signal Generator	Agilent	E4438C	i00490	5/24/16	5/24/17

In addition to the above listed equipment standard RF connectors and cables were utilized in the testing of the described equipment. Prior to testing these components were tested to verify proper operation.

END OF TEST REPORT