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# Synthesized Function/Sweep Generator VXI Module HP E1440A Technical Specifications

- Five different waveforms
- Multi-interval sweep and multimarker mode
- Amplitude and phase modulation
- 1  $\mu$ Hz - 60 MHz TTL clock
- High-voltage output option, isolated (floating) outputs



HP E1440A

## Description

The HP E1440A function/sweep generator is a **C-size, 2-slot, message-based VXI module**. It provides low-distortion sinewaves and a variety of waveforms for applications requiring high frequency stability and resolution (11 digits). A programmable relative phase output synchronized to a companion module is also available. Two or more HP E1440A modules can be used for generating multi-phase related signals.

With this module, you can use the modulation source as an arbitrary function generator via HP-IB to provide user-defined waveforms, or use the save-recall memory that includes nonvolatile memory locations for simple and rapid access to frequently used test setups. Additionally, you can produce five different waveforms including: sine, square, triangle, negative, and positive ramps.

Refer to the HP Website for instrument driver availability and downloading instructions, as well as for recent product updates, if applicable.

## Product Specifications

Those specifications indicated as “typical” describe the instrument’s typical performance; all others describe the instrument’s warranted performance.

### Waveforms

**Standard waveforms:** Sine, square, triangle, negative and positive Ramps, dc, TTL clock  
**Arbitrary waveform function:** No

### Frequency Range

**Frequency bandwidth:** 21 MHz (sine)  
**Sine:** 1  $\mu$ Hz-21 MHz  
**Square:** 1  $\mu$ Hz-11 MHz  
**Triangle:** 1  $\mu$ Hz-11 kHz  
**Ramps:** 1  $\mu$ Hz-11 kHz  
**TTL clock:** 1  $\mu$ Hz-60 MHz  
**Resolution:** 11 digits  
**Accuracy:**  $\pm 5$  ppm of selected value, 20 to 30 °C, at time of calibration with standard frequency reference  
**Stability:**  $\pm 5$  ppm/year, 20 to 30 °C  
**Modulation:** AM, PM

### Main Signal Output

(Typical)

**Impedance:** 50  $\Omega \pm 1 \Omega$   
**Max. external voltages:** 42 V pk (ac+dc) max. (chassis ground to circuit ground, 0-10 kHz)  
 $\pm 10$  V max. (floating ground to signal output)  
**Connector:** BNC

### Amplitude

(50  $\Omega$  all waveforms except TTL clock, without dc offset)

**Range:** 1 mV to 10 Vp-p in 8 amplitude ranges, 1–3–10 sequence, amplitude can also be set up in Vrms and dBm  
**Resolution:** 4 digits (0.03% of full range)  
**Amplitude accuracy (AC):**  $\pm 2\%$  FS  
**Amplitude accuracy (DC):** n/a

### Sinewave Spectral Purity

**Phase noise:** –55 dB for a 30 kHz band centered on a 20 MHz carrier (excluding  $\pm 1$  Hz about the carrier)  
**Spurious:** –60 dBc or –85 dBm, whichever is greater  
**Sinewave harmonic distortion:**

Frequency Range	Harmonic Level
0.1 Hz - 199 kHz	–60 dBc
200 kHz - 1.99 MHz	–40 dBc
2 MHz - 14.9 MHz	–30 dBc
15 MHz - 20 MHz	–25 dBc

### Squarewave Characteristics

(Typical)

**Rise/fall time:**  $\leq 20$  ns (10% to 90% of p-p output voltage)  
**Overshoot:** 5% of p-p amplitude at full output  
**Triangle/ramp linearity:**  $\pm 0.05\%$  of full p-p output voltage for each range (10% - 90%, 10 kHz)

### DC Offset Range (50 $\Omega$ )

**dc only:** 0 to  $\pm 5$  V  
**dc + ac:** max.  $\pm 4.5$  V  
**Resolution:** 4 digits

### Phase Offset

(Related to another HP E1440A or equivalent)

**Range:**  $\pm 719.9^\circ$   
**Resolution:** 0.1°  
**Increment accuracy:**  $\pm 0.5^\circ$   
**Stability:**  $\pm 1^\circ$  of phase/° C

### Sinewave Amplitude Modulation

(Typical)

**Modulation depth:** 0-98%  
**Modulation frequency range:** dc to 350 kHz (1  $\mu$ Hz-21 MHz carrier frequency)  
**Envelope distortion:** –30 dB for modulation to 80% at 1kHz (0 Vdc Offset)  
 $\pm 5$  V peak for maximum modulation  
**Sensitivity:**

### Phase Modulation

(Typical)

**Sinewave range:**  $\pm 900^\circ$ ,  $\pm 5$  V input  
**Sinewave linearity:**  $\pm 0.5\%$ , best fit straight line up to  $\pm 720^\circ$  of modulation range  
**Squarewave range:**  $\pm 450^\circ$   
**Triangle range:**  $\pm 45^\circ$   
**Positive and negative ramps range:**  $\pm 90^\circ$   
**Modulation frequency range:** DC to 5 kHz

### Sweep

**Sweep:** Frequency  
**Sweep sequence modes:** Single, continuous  
**Sweep function modes:**  
**Multi-Interval:** (Up to 50 different intervals can be sequenced and repeated in any order in a sequence that can contain up to 100 intervals)

**Linear or logarithmic sweep:** (Can be set for each interval)

**Sweep time:**  
**Linear:** 0.01 s to 105 s  
**Logarithmic:** 0.1 s to 105 s  
**Minimum sweep width:**  
**Linear:** 0 Hz  
**Logarithmic:** 1 decade  
**Maximum sweep width:** Full frequency range

**Minimum sweep rate:**  
**Linear:** 0.2 Hz/s  
**Phase continuity:** Sweep is phase continuous over the full frequency range of the main output for all sweep modes

**Multi-marker:**  
**Linear sweep only:** Up to nine markers can be set in this one dedicated interval

**Sweep time:** 0.01 s to 105 s  
**Sweep width:** From 0 Hz to full frequency range

## Auxiliary Outputs (Typical)

### SYNC-OUT TTL:

**Signal:** Phase synchronous squarewave with same frequency as the main signal output, or 1  $\mu$ Hz to 60 MHz TTL clock (main signal output switched off)

**Output impedance:** 50  $\Omega$

**Connector:** BNC and TTL trigger bus

### X-Drive 0 to 10 V:

**Signal:** 0 - 100 s sweeps only (proportional ramp to the entire sweep time)

**Output impedance:** 650  $\Omega$

**Output level:** 0 to + 10 V (into open circuit)

**Connector:** BNC

### Pen lift:

**Signal:** TTL-compatible voltage levels capable of sinking current from a positive source. Current 200 mA, voltage 45 V

**Connector:** BNC

### Marker TTL:

**Signal:** High-to-low transitions at selected marker frequencies. TTL-and CMOS\_ compatible output levels

**Pulsewidth in multimarker mode:** 1 ms

**Connector:** BNC & TTL trigger bus

**Fan out:** 4

### REF out 10 MHz:

**Signal:** 10 MHz squarewave for phase-locking additional instruments to the HP E1440A.

**Output impedance:** 50  $\Omega$

**Output levels (into 50  $\Omega$ ):** High level >2 V, low level <0.2 V

**AC-coupled output levels:** 10 dBm

**Connector:** BNC

## Auxiliary Inputs (Typical)

### External REF in 1/10 MHz:

(For phase locking the HP E1440A to an external frequency reference)

**Signal:** From 0 dBm to 20 dBm into 50  $\Omega$  (reference signal must be a subharmonic of 10 MHz from 1 MHz to 10 MHz)

**Connector:** BNC or VXI-system clock

### AM:

**Input impedance:** 10 k $\Omega$

**Connector:** BNC

**Max. external voltage:**  $\pm$  15 V

### PM:

**Input impedance:** >40 k $\Omega$

**Connector:** BNC

**Max. external voltage:**  $\pm$  15 V

## Option 001 High-Voltage Output

**Frequency range:** 1  $\mu$ Hz to 1 MHz

### Amplitude:

**Range:** 4 mV to 40 V p-p in eight ranges, 4-12-40 sequence into 500  $\Omega$ , <500 pF load; ranges are four times the standard instrument ranges, without dc offset

**Accuracy:**  $\pm$  2% of full output for each range at 2 kHz

**Flatness:**  $\pm$  10% relative to programmed amplitude

### Sinewave harmonic distortion:

Frequency Range	Harmonic Level
10 Hz - 199 kHz	-60 dBc
200 kHz - 1 MHz	-40 dBc
<b>Output impedance:</b>	<3 $\Omega$ at DC, <10 $\Omega$ at 1 MHz (load impedance 500 $\Omega$ , 500 pF, max. output current 40 mA peak)
<b>DC offset range:</b>	Four times the specified range of the standard instrument

## General Specifications

### VXI Characteristics

**VXI device type:** Message based  
**Data transfer bus:** A16/A24, D16 Master, A16/D16 Slave  
**Size:** C  
**Slots:** 2  
**Connectors:** P1/2  
**Shared memory:** n/a  
**VXI busses:** TTL Trigger Bus (T)  
**C-size compatibility:** n/a

### Instrument Drivers

See the HP Website ([http://www.hp.com/go/inst\\_drivers](http://www.hp.com/go/inst_drivers)) for driver availability and downloading.

### Command module

**firmware:** n/a

### Command module

**firmware rev:** n/a

**I-SCPI Win 3.1:** n/a

**I-SCPI Series 700:** n/a

**C-SCPI LynxOS:** n/a

**C-SCPI Series 700:** n/a

**HP Panel Drivers:** Yes

### VXIplug&play Win

**Framework:** Yes

### VXIplug&play Win 95/NT

**Framework:** Planned 1998

### VXIplug&play HP-UX

**Framework:** No

### Module Current

	I <sub>PM</sub>	I <sub>DM</sub>
+5 V:	1	0.01
+12 V:	0	0
-12 V:	0	0
+24 V:	0.55	0.05
-24 V:	0.6	0.05
-5.2 V:	0.14	0.03
-2 V:	0	0

### Cooling/Slot

**Watts/slot:** 18.00  
 **$\Delta$ P mm H<sub>2</sub>O:** 0.40  
**Air Flow liter/s:** 2.00

## Ordering Information

Description	Product No.
Synth. Funct/Sweep Generator VXI-Module	HP E1440A
High-Voltage Output	HP E1440A 001
Operation Manual	HP E1440A 0B2
Service Manual	HP E1440A 0B3
Refurbished Equipment	HP E1440A 8ZE

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**Related Literature**

*1998 Test System and VXI Products Data Book*,  
HP Pub. No. 5966-2812E

*1998 Test System and VXI Products Catalog*,  
HP Pub. No. 5966-2815

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**Warranty**

Standard Hewlett-Packard VXIbus hardware products are warranted against defects in materials and workmanship for a period of three years unless otherwise noted. HP software and firmware products that are designated by HP for use with a hardware product, when properly installed on that hardware product, are warranted not to fail to execute their programming instructions due to defects in materials and workmanship.

For a complete and detailed warranty statement please see the *HP Test System and VXI Products Data Book* or visit the HP Website at <http://www.hp.com/go/vxi>.

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Main HP Website  
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HP Test and Measurement  
<http://www.hp.com/go/tmdir>

HP VXI Product Information  
<http://www.hp.com/go/vxi>

HP VXI Channel Partners  
<http://www.hp.com/go/vxichanpart>

HP VEE Application Website  
<http://www.hp.com/go/hpvee>

Data Acquisition and Control Website  
[http://www.hp.com/go/data\\_acq](http://www.hp.com/go/data_acq)

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