Tektronix 5 Series MSO vs. Keysight S-Series

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Oscilloscope Design

Tektronix 5 Series MSO

- Industry First FlexChannels (up to 8) (each input is 1 analog or 8 digital)
- ✓ Industry First 4, 6, 8 channel models
- ✓ Industry First HD 1920 x 1080 15.6" Multi-touch capacitive display
- ✓ Industry First Std. embedded OS or Opt. Windows 10 OS
- 12 bit Analog to Digital Converter
- ✓ >500,000 wfm/s update rate

- Keysight S-Series
- Fixed configuration: 4 Analog; 16 digital
- × 4 channel models only
- X 15" XGA 1024 x 768 Multi-touch display
- 🗴 Windows 7 only
- × 10 bit Analog to Digital Converter
- Not Specified (*tested to 600 wfms/s)

Analog to Digital Converter (ADC)

Tektronix 5 Series MSO	Keysight S-Series
✓ 12 bit ADC	× 10 bit ADC
✓ Up to 16 bits in new High Res mode	✗ Up to 12 bits in HiRes mode
✓ 7.6 bits ENOB @ 1GHz 500mV Full Scale	✓ 7.6 bits ENOB @ 1GHz 500mV Full Scale

Included Probing

Tektronix 5 Series MSO			
/	1 GHz passive probes (≥1GHz models)	x	
1	3.9pF Capacitive loading	×	
/	Automated compensation	x	

- ✓ Stores compensation data in memory
- ✓ Hardware Dynamic Range 5mV to 100V

- Keysight S-Series
- 500 MHz passive probes (≥1GHz models)
- 9.5pF Capacitive loading
- Manual compensation
- Can't store compensation data
- Hardware Dynamic Range 16mV to 40V



Waveform Capture Rate*



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Key Specifications Comparison

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	Tektronix 5 Series MSO		Keysight S-Series				
Max Bandwidth (all channels)	×	Up to 2.0 GHz	~	Up to 4.0 GHz			
Upgradable Bandwidth	✓	Yes	✓	Yes			
Number of Analog Channels	✓	4, 6, or 8 with FlexChannels	×	4			
Number of Digital Channels	✓	Up to 32, 48, or 64 with FlexChannels	×	16			
Number of Math / Bus channels / Measurements	✓	As many as you want!	×	16 math / 4 buses / 20 measurements			
Max Analog Sample Rate (all channels)	×	6.25 GS/s	✓	10 GS/s			
Max Digital Channel Sample Rate (all channels)	✓	6.25 GS/s	×	2 GS/s			
Optional Arbitrary Function Generator (AFG)	✓	Yes – 50 MHz	×	Not Available			
Optional DVM/ Trigger Freq. Counter	✓	Yes – Free with Registration	×	Not Available			
Standard Analog Probes (≥1GHz models)	✓	1 GHz at 3.9pF	×	500 MHz at 9.5pF			
Standard Record Length (all channels)	✓	62.5 Mpts	×	50 Mpts			
Max Waveform Capture Rate	✓	>500,000 wfms/s	×	Not Specified*			
ADC Resolution	✓	12 bits	×	10 bits			
Max Vertical Resolution (with filtering)	✓	Up to 16 bits with New High Res mode	×	Up to 12 bits with HiRes			
ENOB** (at 1 GHz)	✓	7.6 bits	~	~7.6 bits			
Lowest Hardware Vertical Setting	✓	500uV/div = 5 mV Full Scale	×	2 mV/div = 16 mV Full Scale			
DC Gain Accuracy - Warranted	✓	1.0 %	×	2.0 %			
Screen Size & Resolution	✓	15.6" High Definition 1920 x 1080	×	15" XGA 1024 x 768			
Automated Search and Mark	~	Search and Mark on Standard Triggers and Decoded Bus Events	×	Only Search on Serial Decode Events			
Operating System	✓	Std. Embedded OS or optional SSD with Windows 10	×	Windows 7 Only			

* Not specified by Keysight, but maximum rate measured by Tektronix was 600 wfms/sec ** ENOB tested by Tektronix, at 500mV Full Scale at 1 GHz and max sample rate

