R&S®FPS-K30 Noise Figure Measurements User Manual





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- R&S®FPS13 (1319.2008K13)
- R&S®FPS30 (1319.2008K30)
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R&S®FPS-K30 Preface

Typographical Conventions

1 Preface

1.1 Typographical Conventions

The following text markers are used throughout this documentation:

Convention	Description	
"Graphical user interface elements"	All names of graphical user interface elements on the screen, such as dialog boxes, menus, options, buttons, and softkeys are enclosed by quotation marks.	
[Keys]	Key and knob names are enclosed by square brackets.	
Filenames, commands, program code	Filenames, commands, coding samples and screen output are distinguished by their font.	
Input	Input to be entered by the user is displayed in italics.	
Links	Links that you can click are displayed in blue font.	
"References"	References to other parts of the documentation are enclosed by quotation marks.	

2 Welcome to the Noise Figure Measurement Application

The R&S FPS-K30 is a firmware application that adds functionality to perform noise figure measurements to the R&S FPS.



Noise Source Control

The Noise Source Control connector on the R&S FPS is a prerequisite for the R&S FPS Noise Figure measurements application.

This user manual contains a description of the functionality that the application provides, including remote control operation.

Functions that are not discussed in this manual are the same as in the Spectrum application and are described in the R&S FPS user manual. The latest versions of the manuals are available for download at the product homepage.

http://www.rohde-schwarz.com/product/FPS.html.

Installation

Find detailed installing instructions in the getting started or the release notes of the R&S FPS.

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2.1 Starting the Noise Application

The noise figure measurement application adds a new type of measurement to the R&S FPS.



Manual operation via an external monitor and mouse

Although the R&S FPS does not have a built-in display, it is possible to operate it interactively in manual mode. To do so, use the graphical user interface and connect an external monitor and a mouse.

It is recommended that you use the manual mode initially to get familiar with the instrument and its functions before using it in pure remote mode. Thus, this document describes in detail how to operate the instrument manually using an external monitor and mouse. The remote commands are described in the second part of the document.

For details on manual operation, see the R&S FPS getting started manual.

To activate the R&S FPS Noise Figure measurements application

1. Select the [MODE] key.

A dialog box opens that contains all operating modes and applications currently available on your R&S FPS.

2. Select the "Noise Figure" item.



The R&S FPS opens a new measurement channel for the noise figure measurement application.

All settings specific to noise figure measurements are in their default state.

Multiple Channels and Sequencer Function

When you activate an application, a new channel is created which determines the measurement settings for that application ("Channel"). The same application can be activated with different measurement settings by creating several "Channel" s for the same application.

The number of channels that can be configured at the same time depends on the available memory on the instrument.

Only one measurement can be performed at any time, namely the one in the currently active channel. However, to perform the configured measurements consecutively, a Sequencer function is provided.

If activated, the measurements configured in the currently defined "Channel" s are performed one after the other in the order of the tabs. The currently active measurement is indicated by a \$\mathbb{Q}\$ symbol in the tab label.

The result displays of the individual channels are updated in the tabs (as well as the "MultiView") as the measurements are performed. Sequential operation itself is independent of the currently *displayed* tab.

For details on the Sequencer function, see the R&S FPS user manual.

2.2 Understanding the Display Information

The following figure shows the display as it looks for noise figure measurements. All different information areas are labeled. They are explained in more detail in the following sections.

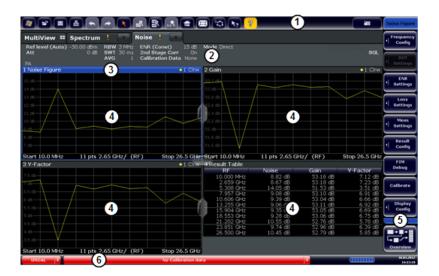


Figure 2-1: Screen layout of the noise figure measurement application

- 1 = Toolbar
- 2 = Channel bar
- 3 = Diagram header
- 4 = Result display
- 5 = Softkey bar
- 6 = Status bar

Channel bar information

In the R&S FPS Noise Figure measurements application, the R&S FPS shows the following settings:

Ref Level Reference level of the R&S FPS. Attenuation of the R&S FPS. Att **RBW** Resolution bandwidth **SWT** Sweep time **AVG** Number of averages **ENR** Excess noise ratio 2nd Stage Corr State of the 2nd stage correction. **Calibration Data** Date and time of the current calibration data. Mode Currently selected measurement mode.

Window title bar information

For each diagram, the header provides the following information:



Figure 2-2: Window title bar information for the R&S FPS Noise Figure measurements application

Understanding the Display Information

- 1 = Window number
- 2 = Window type
- 3 = Trace color and number
- 4 = Trace mode

Status bar information

Global instrument settings, the instrument status and any irregularities are indicated in the status bar beneath the diagram. Furthermore, the progress of the current operation is displayed in the status bar.

NOTICE

Risk of damaging the instrument

Make sure not to overload the input mixer during calibration and the measurement. An overload condition can damage or destroy the input mixer.

If an overload condition occurs, the R&S FPS shows a corresponding message in the status line ("RF OVLD" or "IF OVLD").

To avoid an overload during calibration or measurement, do one or more of the following:

- Check and adjust the DUT gain settings
- Check and adjust the ENR settings
- Increase the reference level.

3 Measurements and Result Displays

The R&S FPS-K30 measures the noise figure of a DUT and displays the results graphically and numerically. Each graphical result display shows the noise figure from a different perspective. In the default configuration, the application shows the noise figure of the DUT, the gain of the DUT and the corresponding y-factor. In addition, it shows the numerical results of the measurement.



The scale of the horizontal axis depends on the tuning mode.

Frequency list and swept measurements

In all graphical result displays, the horizontal axis represents the frequency. The displayed frequency is either the RF (radio frequency) or the IF (intermediate frequency). The range depends on the frequency set you have currently defined. Because the application only measures selected frequencies, it connects the results to draw a trace.



Negative noise figure and noise temperature

From a physical point of view, the noise figure and the noise temperature levels have a positive range (including zero).

Due to the mathematical operations the application performs, the results can be negative. Sometimes this happens due to incorrect calibration or variance of measurement values.

Single frequency measurements

In all graphical result displays, the horizontal axis represents a chronological order of measurement results for the frequency you are testing. The axis has no unit, but is made up out of several index values that represent time. Each index value represents

one measurement point and therefore one measurement on the single frequency you are analyzing. The size of the index (and thus number of results) depends on the number of (Measurement) Points that you have defined. Because the application only measures at certain points in time, it connects the results to draw a trace.

The right diagram border represents the present (index = 0), values to the left represent past measurement results (index = -<x>). As soon as the application finishes a single measurement, the measurement points are moved to the left, the new result is added on the right. All other measurement points are moved down one position with the most obsolete result falling out of the diagram (like in the roll mode of an oscilloscope).

Selecting the result display

► Select the ⊠icon in the toolbar or press the [MEAS] key.

The application enters the SmartGrid configuration mode. For more information on the SmartGrid functionality, see the R&S FPS Getting Started.

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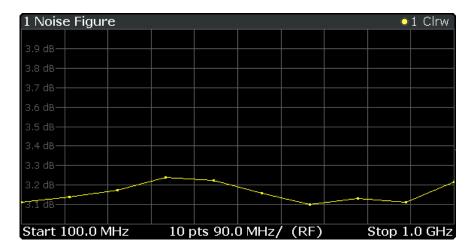
Noise Figure

Shows the noise figure of the DUT.

The noise figure is the ratio of the signal-to-noise ratio at the DUT input to the signal-to-noise ratio at the DUT output.

Noise Figure =
$$\frac{SNR_{in}}{SNR_{out}}$$

The vertical axis shows the level of the noise figure in dB. The scale depends on the settings in the "Display Configuration" dialog box.

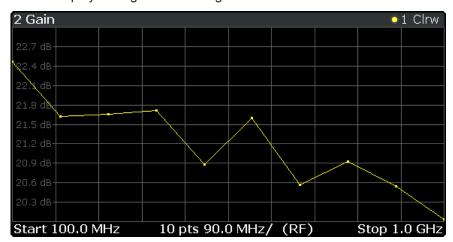


LAY:ADD:WIND? '2',RIGH,NOIS see LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]? on page 98 Results:TRACe<t>[:DATA]? <Trace>,NOISe

Gain

Shows the gain characteristics of the DUT.

The vertical axis shows the level of the gain in dB. The scale depends on the settings in the "Display Configuration" dialog box.



Remote command:

LAY:ADD:WIND? '2',RIGH,GAIN see LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]? on page 98 Results:TRACe<t>[:DATA]? <Trace>,GAIN

Noise Temperature

Shows the noise temperature characteristics of the DUT.

Noise Temperatur e = $\frac{P}{B \cdot k}$

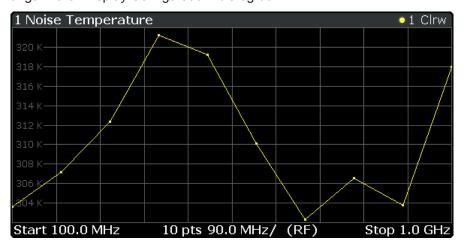
with

P = Power

B = Bandwidth

k = Boltzmann constant

The vertical axis shows the noise temperature in Kelvin. The scale depends on the settings in the "Display Configuration" dialog box.



Remote command:

LAY:ADD:WIND? '2',RIGH,TEMP see LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]? on page 98 Results: TRACe<t>[:DATA]? <Trace>,TEMPerature

Y-Factor

Shows the ratio of the hot and the cold power of the DUT.

The Y-factor indicates the quality of measurement tolerances and uncertainties. To get the result, the application measures the DUT power with the noise source turned on (hot power) and the noise source turned off (cold power).

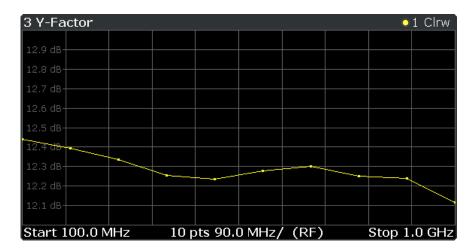
$$Y - Factor = \frac{N_{on}}{N_{off}}$$

with

 N_{on} = Noise power [dB] with noise source on

 N_{off} = Noise power [dB] with noise source off

The vertical axis shows the linear relation. The scale depends on the settings in the "Display Configuration" dialog box.

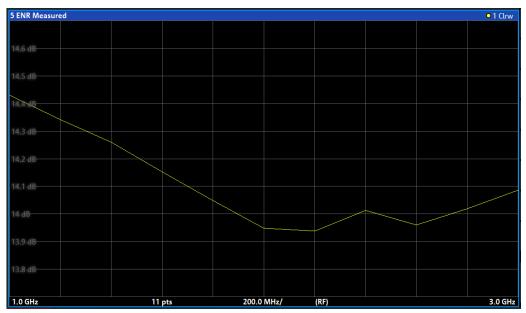


LAY:ADD:WIND? '2',RIGH,YFAC see LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]? on page 98
Results: TRACe<t>[:DATA]? <Trace>,YFACtor

ENR Measured

Shows the results of the ENR measurement.

To measure the ENR of a noise source, first attach a noise source with known ENR to the device, enter the ENR of this noise source to the calibration ENR table and calibrate using this one. Then, attach the unknown noise source to the device and perform a measurement ("Run Single") with this one. The graph shown in the ENR Measured display and the results for ENR Measured in the Result Summary will be the ENR of the noise source at the measured frequencies. The vertical axis shows the level of the measured ENR in dB. The scale depends on the settings in the "Display Configuration" dialog box.

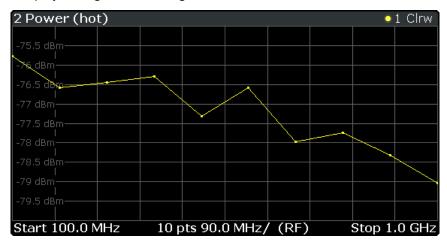


LAY:ADD:WIND? '2', RIGH, ENR see LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]? on page 98 Results: TRACe<t>[:DATA]? <Trace>, ENR

Power (Hot)

Shows the absolute power characteristics at the instrument input. The noise source is turned on.

The vertical axis shows the power in dBm. The scale depends on the settings in the "Display Configuration" dialog box.



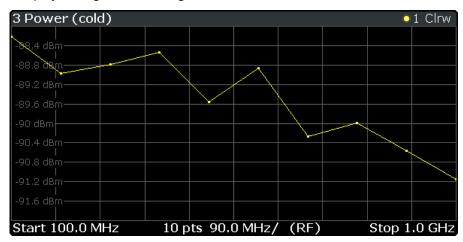
Remote command:

LAY:ADD:WIND? '2', RIGH, PHOT see LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]? on page 98 Results: TRACe<t>[:DATA]? <Trace>, PHOT

Power (Cold)

Shows the absolute power characteristics at the instrument input. The noise source is turned off.

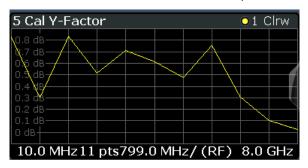
The vertical axis shows the power in dBm. The scale depends on the settings in the "Display Configuration" dialog box.



LAY:ADD:WIND? '2',RIGH,PCOL see LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]? on page 98 Results: TRACe<t>[:DATA]? <Trace>,PCOLd

Cal Y-Factor

Shows the ratio of the hot and the cold power measured during calibration.



The Y-factor indicates the quality of measurement tolerances and uncertainties. To get the result, the application measures the power with the noise source turned on (hot power) and the noise source turned off (cold power), but without the DUT inserted.

$$Y - Factor = \frac{N_{on}}{N_{off}}$$

with

 $N_{\it on}$ = Noise power [dB] with noise source on

 N_{off} = Noise power [dB] with noise source off

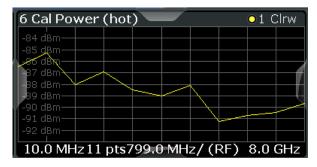
The vertical axis shows the linear relation. The scale depends on the settings in the "Display Configuration" dialog box.

Remote command:

LAY:ADD:WIND? '2',RIGH,CYF see LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]? on page 98 Results: TRACe<t>[:DATA]? <Trace>,CYFactor

Cal Power (Hot)

Shows the absolute power characteristics at the instrument input during the calibration measurement. The noise source is turned on, the DUT is not inserted.

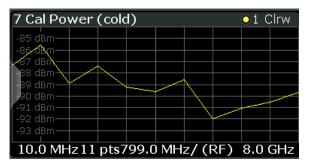


The vertical axis shows the power in dBm. The scale depends on the settings in the "Display Configuration" dialog box.

LAY:ADD:WIND? '2', RIGH, CPH see LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]? on page 98 Results: TRACe<t>[:DATA]? <Trace>, CPHot

Cal Power (Cold)

Shows the absolute power characteristics at the instrument input during the calibration measurement. The noise source is turned off, the DUT is not inserted.



The vertical axis shows the power in dBm. The scale depends on the settings in the "Display Configuration" dialog box.

Remote command:

LAY:ADD:WIND? '2',RIGH,CPC see LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]? on page 98 Results: TRACe<t>[:DATA]? <Trace>,CPCold

Result Table

Shows the measurement results in numerical form in a table.

The contents of the table depend on the "Display Settings". By default it shows the noise figure, gain and y-factor results. Each row represents one measurement point. Each column represents one result type. The first column shows the measurement frequency.

If you display the uncertainty result, it is displayed in the "Noise" column next to the Noise Figure result. Note that the uncertainty is displayed only after you have turned on the uncertainty calculation and also include the result in the display.

The result table shows either the RF or the IF, depending on your selection.

For more information, see Chapter 6.1.2, "Configuring Numerical Results", on page 76.

4 Result Table [T1]				
RF	Noise	Gain	Y-Factor	ENR
1.000 GHz	0.02 dB	-0.02 dB	10.18 dB	14.43 dB
1.200 GHz	-0.00 dB	-0.01 dB	9.96 dB	14.34 dB
1.400 GHz	-0.03 dB	0.01 dB	9.67 dB	14.26 dB
1.600 GHz	0.00 dB	0.01 dB	9.38 dB	14.15 dB
1.800 GHz	-0.10 dB	-0.03 dB	9.31 dB	14.05 dB
2.000 GHz	-0.02 dB	0.01 dB	9.03 dB	13.95 dB
2.200 GHz	0.11 dB	0.01 dB	8.93 dB	13.94 dB
2.400 GHz	-0.03 dB	0.03 dB	8.83 dB	14.01 dB
2.600 GHz	0.11 dB	-0.02 dB	8.67 dB	13.96 dB
2.800 GHz	0.02 dB	-0.00 dB	8.61 dB	14.02 dB
3.000 GHz	-0.08 dB	0.02 dB	8.44 dB	14.09 dB

Remote command:

LAY: ADD: WIND? '2', RIGH, RES see LAYout: ADD[: WINDow]? on page 98

Results: TRACe<n>[:DATA]? on page 105

Table items: DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TABLe:ITEM on page 151

Current Values

Shows the result at the current measurement point.

The contents of the "Current" result display are updated as soon as a new measurement point is analyzed.

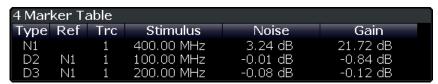
The result types shown in the table depend on the "Display Settings". By default it shows the results for the Noise Figure, Gain and Y-Factor result type. Each row represents one result type. The first column shows the result type, the second column shows the result.

For more information, see Chapter 6.1.2, "Configuring Numerical Results", on page 76.

Marker Table

Shows the marker characteristics in numerical form in a table.

The size of the table depends on the number of active markers and the way you have configured the table in the "Result Config" dialog box. For more information, see Chapter 6.3, "Using Markers", on page 79 and Chapter 6.1.2, "Configuring Numerical Results", on page 76.



The first four columns of the table are fix.

Type

Shows the marker type. 'M' represents a normal marker, 'D' represents a delta marker.

- Ref
 - Shows the reference marker for relative delta markers.
- Tro
 - Shows the trace that the marker is positioned on.
- X-value
 - Shows the horizontal position (frequency) of the marker.
 - For normal markers, the position is an absolute value. The position of delta markers is relative to another marker.
- <Result>
 - Shows the measurement result at the marker position.
 - For normal markers, the result is an absolute value. Results for delta markers are relative to another marker.

Remote command:

LAY: ADD: WIND? '2', RIGH, MTAB see LAYout: ADD[:WINDow]? on page 98 Results:

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CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:Y? on page 171
CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:Y? on page 174
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4 Measurement Basics

The measurement basics contain background information on the terminology and principles of noise figure measurements.

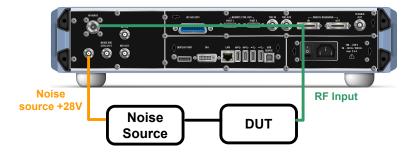
Noise figure measurements determine the noise that a device under test (DUT) adds to a signal as that signal passes through the DUT.

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4.1 Tuning Modes

Basically, the application calculates the noise figure of a DUT based on the characteristics of the DUT that have been measured and a noise source whose properties are known. Therefore, the Noise Source Control connector on the R&S FPS is a prerequisite for the R&S FPS Noise Figure measurements application.

In addition to the noise characteristics of a DUT, the application is also able to determine several more DUT characteristics like its gain or its noise temperature characteristics.



The application provides several measurement modes or tuning modes.

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Tuning Modes

4.1.1 Swept Measurements

The **sweep** tuning mode performs measurements on a set of discrete frequencies based on the frequency parameters. Each measurement analyzes the noise characteristics of the corresponding frequency or measurement point.

For swept measurements, the application automatically determines the measurement frequencies and combines them in a frequency list.

Such a frequency set is the result of the frequency and span information that you have provided. The frequency and span information is made up out of the center frequency, the span, the start and the stop frequency. In combination with the measurement points or the frequency table step size, the application calculates the contents of the frequency table.

The **center frequency** is the frequency in the center of the frequency band you are measuring. Thus, it is defined either by the span, or the start and stop frequencies.

The **measurement points** is the number of entries in a frequency list and thus the number of measurements that the application performs during a noise figure measurement.

The **stepsize** defines the distance between two measurement points. It is constant for all measurement points.



If the stepsize is larger than the distance between start and stop frequency, the frequency table consists of the start and stop frequencies only.

4.1.2 Frequency Table Measurements

The **frequency table** tuning mode also performs measurements on a set of frequencies based on the contents of a frequency list. Each measurement analyzes the noise characteristics of the corresponding frequency.

Compared to a swept measurement, you can customize the contents of the frequency list. Thus, you can add frequencies that are independent of the frequency stepsize and the number of measurement points.

4.1.3 Single Frequency Measurements

The **single frequency** tuning mode performs one or several consecutive measurements on a single frequency. You can perform the measurement on any frequency that is supported by the hardware you are using.

Single frequency measurements are a way to facilitate manual adjustments for noise figure measurements. They also allow you to get an idea about how the noise figure at a particular frequency change over time.

Note that sweep lists or frequency tables are not considered in this measurement mode.

Measurement Modes

Single frequency measurement results

For single frequency measurements, the same set of graphical result displays is available as for frequency list measurements (Noise Figure, Gain etc.). Note, however, that the x-axis has no unit, but shows a series of results taken for a single frequency. The number of displayed results depends on the number of measurement points you have defined.

For more information, see Chapter 3, "Measurements and Result Displays", on page 12.

In addition, you can also view the results in the Result Table in numerical form.

Single frequency measurements are not available when you are using a resistor as a noise source.

4.2 Measurement Modes

In some cases, the Power (Hot) and Power (Cold) results require two different noise sources with different temperature characteristics (cold and hot). Measurements with a resistor noise source are such a case.

Usually, noise sources with diode characteristics are used for Noise Figure measurements. These noise sources have two states, on and off. When they are supplied with power (state = on), the application measures the hot power, when they are not supplied with power (state = off), it measures the cold power. Turning the noise source on and off is automatically done by the application, so that you can get the hot and cold power characteristics in a single step.

This **automatic measurement mode** is the default measurement mode of the R&S FPS Noise Figure measurements application.

A resistor noise source, however, requires two resistors, one hot and one cold. You have to substitute the hot resistor by the cold resistor to measure first the hot and then the cold power. For these cases, the application provides a **manual measurement mode**. This measurement mode is automatically selected when you select a "Noise Source" on page 48 with resistor characteristics, but is not restricted to those cases.

The manual measurement mode is available for measurements and the calibration stage.

Performing a manual measurement

In manual measurement mode, you have to measure (or calibrate) the hot and cold power characteristics of the DUT separately. When you start the measurement, the application opens a dialog box that allows you to select the type of measurement to perform next.

Measurement Modes





Recommended order of measurements

Note that it is recommended that you begin with the hot power measurement.

Furthermore, calibration always begins with the hot power measurement.

In case the hot power has to be measured first, the cold power measurement is unavailable:



When the first measurement is done, you can change the test setup by connecting the other resistor. Then start the second measurement.

In the dialog box, the measurement stage that is already done is labeled green.



In addition, the application shows the missing calibration and measurement steps in the channel bar.



Clearing results

To replace the previous calibration or measurement results, clear the currently stored data using the "Clear Calibration Results" or "Clear Measurement Results" function.

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Returning to automatic measurement mode

When you are in automatic measurement mode and select a noise source with resistor characteristics, the application automatically selects the manual measurement mode.

When you are in manual measurement mode and select a noise source with diode characteristics, you have to select the automatic measurement mode deliberately in the "Sweep" menu.

4.3 DUT Types

Noise figure measurements are possible on DUTs with a wide variety of characteristics. The DUT characteristics not only affect the test setup, but also determine the way the application populates the frequency list for swept measurements.

The R&S FPS Noise Figure measurements application supports measurements on DUTs that work on a fixed frequency as well as measurements on frequency-converting DUTs.

4.3.1 Measurements on Linear DUTs (Direct Measurement)

For a linear DUT, the RF frequency remains the same between its input and output. For measurements on such DUTs, it is sufficient to measure the signal's RF frequency without any additional equipment (like a local oscillator). A typical linear DUT is an amplifier, for example.

The test setup for measurements on such DUTs usually consists of the noise source, the DUT and an analyzer. If necessary, the measurement also considers loss that occurs somewhere in the measurement path.

For linear DUTs, the contents and layout of the "Overview" dialog box represents the configuration of a typical test setup.



4.3.2 Measurements on Frequency Converting DUTs

A frequency converting DUT converts the RF frequency to an intermediate frequency (IF) using the local oscillator (LO). A frequency-converting DUT either converts the RF frequency to a lower IF (down-conversion) or a higher IF (up-conversion).

The conversion process requires a local oscillator in the test setup. You can generate the LO signal in two ways.

An external generator controlled by the analyzer via IEC bus.

External Generator Control

A VCO controlled by a voltage source.

If you have selected a frequency-converting DUT measurement mode, the layout of the "Overview" dialog box adds the local oscillator to the test setup.



The local oscillator can have a fixed or a variable frequency. If the LO frequency is fixed, the intermediate frequency (IF) resulting from the conversion process is variable (depending on the input signal). If the LO frequency is variable, the IF has to be fixed.

The R&S FPS Noise Figure measurements application provides measurement for both measurement scenarios.

Fixed intermediate frequency

If you select one of the fixed IF measurement modes, the IF is the same for all entries in the frequency list. The LO frequency for each entry is variable and is the result of the equation the selected mode is based on.

- f_{RF} f_{IF} for up-converters
- f_{RF} + f_{IF} for down-converters

The fixed IF measurement modes are, for example, useful for measurements on mixers.

Note that fixed IF measurements are only possible if the R&S FPS is equipped with the optional External Generator Control hardware. For more information, see Chapter 4.4, "External Generator Control", on page 26.

Fixed LO frequency

If you select one of the fixed LO measurement modes, the LO frequency is the same for all entries in the frequency list. The IF frequency for each entry is variable and is the result of the equation the selected mode is based on.

- f_{RF} + f_{LO} for up-converters
- f_{RF} f_{LO} for down-converters

The fixed LO measurement modes are, for example, required for measurements on satellite converters.

4.4 External Generator Control

To perform fixed IF measurements with the R&S FPS Noise Figure measurements application, you have to install the optional External Generator Control hardware. This option allows you to control an external generator and the type of signal it generates.

External Generator Control

The typical measurement setup for such measurements includes the R&S FPS equipped with the optional R&S FPS Noise Figure measurements application, a signal generator and the DUT. The signal generator is controlled via the LAN connection.

To enhance the measurement accuracy, it is recommended to use a common reference frequency for both R&S FPS and signal generator in the measurement setup.

If you have no 10 MHz reference frequency on hand, you can use the internal reference signal of the R&S FPS or signal generator. For more information, see the documentation of the R&S FPS or the signal generator.

Signal generator support

The R&S FPS-B10 supports various signal generators. A list is available in the user interface (see Generator Type) and in the documentation of the R&S FPS.

Note that you have to select the generator specifically for the R&S FPS Noise Figure measurements application. It does not inherit the generator settings from other applications.

It is also possible to add new signal generators to that list. To do so, you have to copy a custom signal generator setup file with the file extension .gen to the R&S FPS. The setup file defines the frequency and power ranges supported by the generator, as well as information required for communication. You can use a setup file of the signal generators already supported as a template. After you copy it to the R&S FPS, the new generator model is added to the dropdown menu.

The existing setup files can be displayed in an editor in read-only mode directly from the Interface Configuration dialog box.

Make sure to adhere to the required syntax and commands and only change the values of the parameters. Errors are only detected and displayed when you try to use the custom generator.

Error and status messages

The following status and error messages can occur during external generator control.

Message	Description
"Ext. Generator TCPIP Handshake Error!" /	Connection to the generator is not possible, e.g. due to a cable damage or loose connection or wrong address.
"Ext. Generator Limits Exceeded!"	The allowed frequency or power ranges for the generator were exceeded.
"Reverse Sweep via min. Ext. Generator Frequency!"	Reverse sweep is performed; frequencies are reduced to the minimum frequency, then increased again.
"Ext. Generator File Syntax Error!"	Syntax error in the generator setup file.
"Ext. Generator Command Error!"	Missing or wrong command in the generator setup file.
"Ext. Generator Visa Error!!"	Error with Visa driver provided with installation (very unlikely).

NOTICE

Risk of damage to the instrument

To allow for highest sensitivity during the measurement, the R&S FPS Noise Figure measurements application automatically sets the input attenuation to 0 dB.

Because this configuration minimizes the overrange reserve, make sure that the signal you apply does not cause an overload condition. In particular, consider the LO feed-through. An overload condition can damage or destroy the input mixer.

The R&S FPS shows a corresponding message in the status line if an overload occurs ("RF OVLD" or "IF OVLD").

To avoid an overload, do one of the following:

- Reduce the LO feedthrough of the mixer device.
- Increase the reference level.

4.5 Image Frequency Rejection

Frequency converting DUTs convert a radio frequency (RF) to an intermediate frequency (IF). The IF is lower than the RF for down-converting DUTs, and higher than the RF for up-converting DUTs.

In a basic test setup, the image frequency of the RF signal is also converted to the IF. Depending on the DUT, this effect can be wanted or even necessary, or not. To avoid measurement errors of the noise figure and gain of up to 3 dB, make sure to use the appropriate measurement configuration.

Basically, you can distinguish between single sideband (SSB) mixers, double sideband (DSB) mixers, and mixers that partly suppress a sideband. If a sideband is not needed or only partly needed, you can reject the image frequency. If you do so, the application activates a filter that suppresses the image frequency to a certain extent.

The following illustrations help you configure the measurement correctly.

For more information on how to configure image rejection, see "Image Rejection" on page 46.

Double sideband measurements

Double sideband mixers use both sidebands to the same extent. Both RF and image frequency are converted. In that case, turn off image rejection.

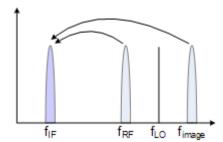


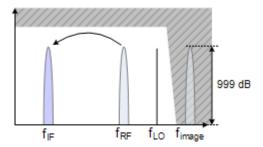
Image Frequency Rejection

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\begin{array}{ll} f_{LO} &= \text{frequency of the local oscillator} \\ f_{IF} &= \text{intermediate frequency} = f_{RF} \pm f_{LO} \\ f_{RF} &= \text{lower sideband} = f_{LO} - f_{IF} \\ f_{image} &= \text{upper sideband} = f_{LO} + f_{IF} \end{array}
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If image rejection is on, the results have a 3 dB error. That means noise figure results are 3 dB lower than they should be. Gain results are 3 dB higher.

Single sideband measurements

Single sideband mixers use a single sideband only. In that case, you have to suppress the sideband that is not required. If you do so, the measurement is like on an amplifier.

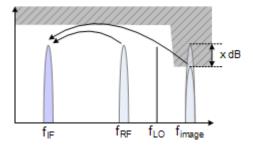


To suppress a sideband completely, it is best to set the image rejection to the maximum amount possible (999.99 dB).

Partial sideband suppression

For measurements on mixers with a low image frequency rejection, there are two test scenarios.

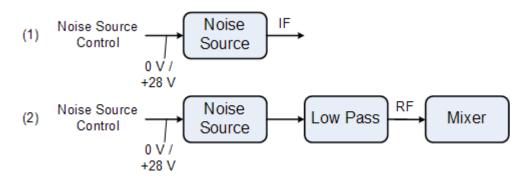
- Mixers whose image rejection is known.
- Mixers whose image rejection is unknown.



For mixers whose image rejection is known, define the magnitude of image rejection in dB as accurately as possible. Otherwise, measurement results (noise figure and gain) deviate between 0 dB to 3 dB.

If you do not know the image rejection characteristics of a mixer, use a custom test setup including an additional filter. You also have to know the gain characteristics of the DUT.

Calibration (2nd Stage Correction)



- (1) = Test setup for calibration
- (2) = Test setup for noise figure measurement

In the test setup shown above, a lowpass filter prevents unwanted noise from being fed in at the image frequency.

Depending on the position of the frequency bands, you might need a highpass or bandpass filter for the RF frequency instead of the lowpass filter. The important point is that unwanted noise is not converted by a further receive path of the mixer. The unwanted noise at the receive frequency must not be reduced. The insertion loss must be considered, if applicable.

With this test setup, the measurement on a mixer without sideband suppression is the same as SSB measurements.

To take the characteristics of the filter into account, include the insertion loss of the filter at the RF. To consider the actual filter suppression at the image frequency, include the actual attenuation for the image rejection.

Harmonics mixer measurement

For a harmonics mixer, the input signals are not only converted to the IF by the wanted harmonic. The harmonic of the LO signal produced in the mixer is also converted. Often, the mixer even features a lower conversion loss for unwanted harmonics. For measurements on this type of mixer, you have to use a bandpass filter. The filter ensures that there is only noise at the desired frequency at the input of the DUT. This measurement is similar to measurements on a mixer with an average sideband suppression.

4.6 Calibration (2nd Stage Correction)

The calibration procedure of the application measures the inherent noise of the R&S FPS you are using. Performing calibration is therefore recommended, as it increases the accuracy of measurement results. The results get more accurate because the application takes the inherent noise of the analyzer into account while it calculates the results.

Calibration for noise figure measurements is also known as 2nd stage correction. This term is used because in a typical noise figure test setup, the DUT represents the first stage and the analyzer the second stage in the test setup.

Calibration (2nd Stage Correction)



The 2nd stage correction is a calibration that is specific to noise figure measurements. It is independent of the overall calibration state of the analyzer and does not calibrate the analyzer.

For successful calibration, you need additional equipment.

Noise source

The noise source is like a calibration standard. It provides a reference with known noise characteristics that allows the application to determine the inherent noise of the analyzer you are using.

During the calibration, the application measures the inherent noise characteristics of the analyzer at the set of measurement frequencies.

Thus, the 2nd stage correction is valid for a particular instrument configuration, the room temperature and the instrument temperature. As long as this configuration stays the same, calibration data remains valid.



Calibrating single frequency measurements

Like for all other measurements of the R&S FPS Noise Figure measurements application, perform a calibration before a single frequency measurement for increased accuracy.

There is an easy way to calibrate single frequency measurements, if you already calibrated the application for swept or list measurements. If the single frequency is part of the frequency list, the measurement is already calibrated for that frequency and no further steps are necessary. The application recalls the last calibration values when you switch back to sweep mode or frequency table mode.

Only if you use a single frequency that is not part of the frequency list, you must calibrate this frequency point first.

Interpolation

If you change the frequency, while the frequency span stays the same or is reduced, the application interpolates the correction data for the new measurement points. A new calibration is not required.

However, measurements based on interpolated data can result in an increased measurement uncertainty. Highly accurate measurements that are conform to the values specified in the data sheet are only possible at calibrated measurement points.

Note that useful interpolation is possible only if essential calibration parameters (e.g. impedance or attenuation) change only slightly. This is the case if the distance between the original calibration points is sufficiently small.

If the span increases compared to the span during calibration, a new calibration is necessary.

If the application interpolates the calibration data, it shows a corresponding label in the channel bar and a warning message in the status bar.

Invalid calibration

If you change one of the amplitude parameters (e.g. the attenuation), calibration is labeled invalid. In that case, calibration is not accurate, because the settings are not in line with the settings at the time the R&S FPS has been calibrated. If calibra-

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tion is invalid, repeat the calibration or restore the settings as they were during the calibration.



Saving calibration data

If you save the current configuration or measurement results to a data set, calibration data is part of that data set.

For more information on saving and restoring data sets, see the "Storing and Recalling Instrument Settings and Measurement Data" chapter in the R&S FPS user manual.

The picture below shows a typical calibration setup that includes a noise source.

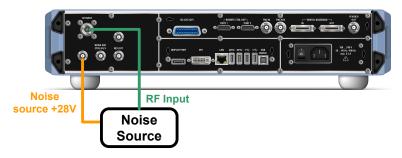


Figure 4-1: Noise figure calibration setup

- 1. Connect the noise source directly and without a cable to the RF input of the analyzer.
- 2. Connect the noise source to the +28 V voltage supply (Noise Source Control connector) on the back of the R&S FPS.

To connect the noise source to the voltage supply, you need a coaxial cable.

After you have set up calibration, there are several ways to start calibration.

- In the "Noise Overview" dialog box, press the "Calibrate" button.
- In the "Sweep" menu, press the "Calibrate" softkey.

Calibration Save



If the user has performed a valid calibration on the instrument, the calibration results can be saved by using the "Calibration Save" button in the "Export" dialog. This provides the possibility to use once stored calibration results at a later point.

Remote command:

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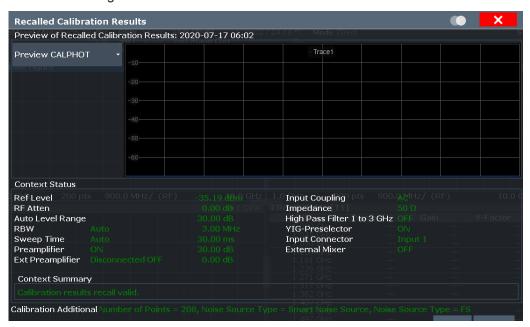
Calibration Recall



Separating Signals by Selecting an Appropriate Resolution Bandwidth

Calibration results that have been stored once on the instrument can be recalled by using the "Calibration Recall" button in the "Import" dialog.

To achieve a valid calibration by importing a saved one, all parameters of R&S FPS-K30 must match exactly to the ones that have been used for the calibration. At the import of a calibration, a preview dialog is shown which contains all relevant parameters of the calibration to be imported and an indication (green / red) if they match to the current instrument and option settings. Only if the calibration context summary is green, the calibration import can be done. If the calibration context summary is red, importing the calibration results would lead to an invalid calibration status for the current settings. Thus the calibration results cannot be imported in this case. If the calibration context summary is green but some of the individual entries are red (i.e. they differ from the current settings), the calibration results still can be imported. The import will then overwrite the red marked settings with the ones from the stored calibration to ensure the settings match.



Remote command:

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4.7 Separating Signals by Selecting an Appropriate Resolution Bandwidth

The resolution bandwidth defines the 3 dB bandwidth of the resolution filter to be used. An RF sinusoidal signal is displayed according to the passband characteristic of the resolution filter (RBW), i.e. the signal display reflects the shape of the filter.

The highest sensitivity is obtained at the smallest bandwidth (1 Hz). If the bandwidth is increased, the reduction in sensitivity is proportional to the change in bandwidth. Increasing the bandwidth by a factor of 3 increases the displayed noise by approx. 5

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dB (4.77 dB precisely). If the bandwidth is increased by a factor of 10, the displayed noise increases by a factor of 10, i.e. 10 dB.

The higher spectral resolution with smaller bandwidths is won by longer sweep times for the same span. The sweep time has to allow the resolution filters to settle during a sweep at all signal levels and frequencies to be displayed.

If the RBW is too large, signal parts that are very far away (e.g. from a different signal) are considered in the measurement and distort the results. The displayed noise increases.

If the RBW is too small, the measurement time increases.

4.8 Analyzing Several Traces - Trace Mode

The trace mode determines the way the data is processed and displayed. The application provides the following trace modes.

Table 4-1: Overview of available trace modes

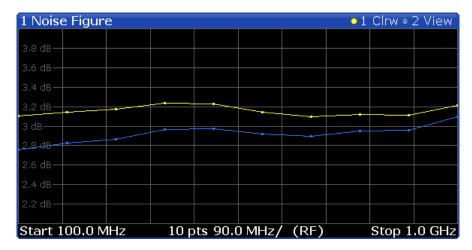
Trace Mode Description	
Blank	Hides the selected trace.
Clear Write	Overwrite mode: the trace is overwritten by each sweep. This is the default setting.
View	The current contents of the trace memory are frozen and displayed.



Each time the trace mode is changed, the selected trace memory is cleared.

The default trace mode for the first trace is Clear/Write. For trace 2-4, the default trace mode is "Blank". If you require another mode, you have to set it manually.

As you can have up to four traces simultaneously, you can compare the results with different measurement configurations. For example, freeze a trace and use it as a reference trace.



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If you change the scaling of the y-axis, the R&S FPS automatically adapts the trace data to the changed display range. Thus, you can perform an amplitude zoom after the measurement to show details of the trace.

4.9 Using Markers

Markers are used to mark points on traces, to read out the results of a particular measurement point or compare results of different traces. The noise application provides four markers.

When you activate a marker, the application automatically positions it on the first measurement point (left border of the diagram) of trace 1, regardless of how many traces are active. A marker is always positioned on the same horizontal position in all active measurement windows. If you change the position of a marker in one window, the application adjusts the position of that marker in all other measurement windows. Thus, the marker results for a specific marker are always for the same frequency, which makes it easier to compare results.



Markers in single frequency mode

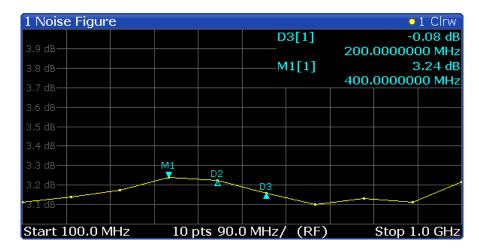
When you use a marker for single frequency measurements, the marker is positioned on a particular index value and not a particular measurement point. This means that during continuous measurements, the marker remains on the index value you have put it on. It does not move down the line with the results.

To move a marker, you can use several methods.

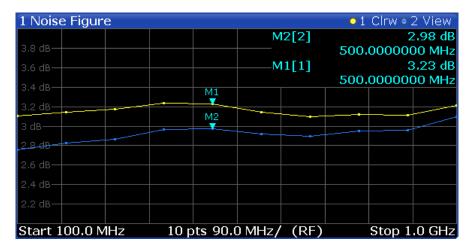
- Enter a particular measurement frequency in the input field that opens when you activate a marker.
- Move the marker around with the rotary knob or the cursor keys.
- Drag the marker to a new position using the mouse pointer.

All markers can be used either as normal markers or delta markers. A normal marker indicates the absolute signal value at the defined position in the diagram. A delta marker indicates the value of the marker relative to the specified reference marker (by default marker 1).

Using Markers



The application always positions the marker on the trace with the lowest number that is in Clear/Write trace mode. To set the marker on another trace, use the "Marker to Trace" function. With this function, you can also position a marker on a trace that is in "View" trace mode, e.g. to compare measurement results. Note that at least one active marker has to be a normal marker.



The application shows the results at the marker position directly in the diagram area (up to two markers) or in the marker table (if you use more than two markers).

Marker information in diagram area

By default, the results of the last two markers or delta markers that were activated are displayed in the diagram area.



The following information is displayed there:

- The marker type (M for normal, D for delta, or special function name)
- The marker number (1 to 4)

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- The assigned trace number in square brackets []
- The marker value on the y-axis
- The marker position on the x-axis

Marker information in marker table

In addition to the marker information displayed within the diagram area, a marker table can be displayed in a separate window. For more information on the contents of the marker table, see "Marker Table" on page 20.

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Noise figure measurements require a special application on the R&S FPS, which you activate using the [MODE] key.



The Noise Source Control connector on the R&S FPS is also a prerequisite for the R&S FPS Noise Figure measurements application. Without this connector, no measurement can be performed.

When you activate a measurement channel in the R&S FPS Noise Figure measurements application, a measurement for the input signal is defined with the default configuration. The "Noise Figure" menu is displayed and provides access to the most important configuration functions.



Unavailable hardkeys

Note that the [AMPT], [AUTO SET], [BW], [TRIG] and [MKR FUNC] keys have no contents and no function in the R&S FPS Noise Figure measurements application.

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5.1 Configuration Overview



Throughout the measurement channel configuration, an overview of the most important currently defined settings is provided in the "Overview". The "Overview" is displayed when you select the "Overview" icon, which is available at the bottom of all softkey menus.

Configuration Overview



In addition to the main measurement settings, the "Overview" provides quick access to the main settings dialog boxes. The individual configuration steps are displayed in the order of the data flow. Thus, you can easily configure an entire measurement channel from input over processing to output and analysis by stepping through the dialog boxes as indicated in the "Overview".

In particular, the "Overview" provides quick access to the following configuration dialog boxes (listed in the recommended order of processing):

To perform a calibration

- Noise Source
 See Chapter 5.4, "Configuring the Noise Source", on page 47.
- Spectrum Analyzer
 See Chapter 5.6, "Configuring the Analyzer", on page 58.
- Calibration See "Calibrate" on page 68

To perform a measurement

- Noise Source
 See Chapter 5.4, "Configuring the Noise Source", on page 47.
- Input and output losses
 See Chapter 5.5, "Configuring Additional Loss", on page 52.
- DUT configuration
 See Chapter 5.3, "Selecting DUT Characteristics", on page 45
- Spectrum Analyzer
 See Chapter 5.6, "Configuring the Analyzer", on page 58.
- Display Configuration
 See Chapter 6.1, "Configuring the Display", on page 74

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To configure settings

➤ Select any button in the "Overview" to open the corresponding dialog box. Select a setting in the channel bar (at the top of the measurement channel tab) to change a specific setting.

Preset Channel

Select the "Preset Channel" button in the lower left-hand corner of the "Overview" to restore all measurement settings in the current channel to their default values.

Do not confuse the "Preset Channel" button with the [Preset] *key*, which restores the entire instrument to its default values and thus closes **all channels** on the R&S FPS (except for the default channel)!

Remote command:

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Specific Settings for

The channel may contain several windows for different results. Thus, the settings indicated in the "Overview" and configured in the dialog boxes vary depending on the selected window.

Select an active window from the "Specific Settings for" selection list that is displayed in the "Overview" and in all window-specific configuration dialog boxes.

The "Overview" and dialog boxes are updated to indicate the settings for the selected window.

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5.2.1 Defining a Frequency Set

Access: "Overview" > "DUT" > "Frequency Config"

These settings define the frequency characteristics for the measurement.

The information in this tab is also the basis for an automatic population of the frequency table. All parameters of this dialog are interdependent. If you change one parameter, at least one other parameter is changed by the application.



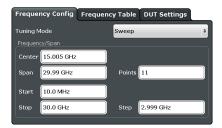
If you change a frequency set, perform a new calibration to ensure accurate results.

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Preamplifier

If a preamplifier is used, make sure the defined (and possibly upconverted) IF frequencies for the measurement stay below the maximum frequency the preamplifier supports. For the R&S FPS-B22 option, the maximum frequency is 7 GHz. However, the preamplifier can be activated or deactivated individually for different tuning modes. For example, for a sweep mode which requires a span above 7 GHz it is deactivated, while for a single frequency measurement at 1 GHz it can be activated.



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Tuning Mode

Selects the tuning or measurement mode.

For more information, see Chapter 4.1, "Tuning Modes", on page 21.

Tuning mode selection is also available via softkeys ("Sweep Mode", "Frequency Table Mode", "Single Frequency Mode") in the "Sweep" menu.

Note: A preamplifier can be activated or deactivated individually for different tuning modes. When you switch tuning modes, the defined preamplifier state is adapted.

"Sweep" The measurement is based on an automatically generated frequency

set.

"Frequency The measurement is based on a customized frequency table."

Table" For more information, see Chapter 5.2.3, "Using a Frequency Table",

on page 44.

"Single Fre- The measurement measures a single frequency only.

quency" For more information, see Chapter 5.2.2, "Configuring Single Fre-

quency Measurements", on page 43.

Remote command:

Frequency sweep measurement:

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Center

Defines the center of the measurement frequency range.

If you change the center frequency, the application changes the start and stop frequency according to the span you have set.

The "Center" setting is also available via the [FREQ] key.

Remote command:

Frequency list measurement:

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Single frequency measurement:

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Span

Defines the measurement span.

If you change the span, the application changes the start frequency, the stop frequency and the stepsize according to the center frequency and the measurement points.

The "Span" setting is also available via the [SPAN] key.

Remote command:

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Start and Stop Frequency

Defines the start and stop frequencies.

If you change the start or stop frequency, the application changes the center frequency, the span and the measurement points according to the new values and the stepsize.

The "Start" and "Stop" settings are also available via the [FREQ] key.

Remote command:

Start frequency:

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Stop frequency:

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(Measurement) Points

Defines the measurement points.

For frequency list measurements, the number of measurement points corresponds to the number of entries in the frequency table. The number of points displayed in the graphical results is also the same.

If you change the measurement points, the application changes the stepsize according to the span.

The "Points" setting is also available via the [SPAN] key.

Remote command:

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Step

Defines the frequency step size in the frequency table.

The stepsize corresponds to the distance between two consecutive measurement points.

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If you change the stepsize, the application changes the measurement point according to the span.

The "Stepsize" setting is also available via the [FREQ] key.

Remote command:

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5.2.2 Configuring Single Frequency Measurements

Access: "Overview" > "DUT" > "Frequency Config" > "Tuning Mode: Single Frequency"

These settings define the frequency characteristics for the measurement.



If you change the frequency, perform a new calibration to ensure accurate results.



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Single (Frequency)

Defines the frequency that the single frequency measurement is performed on.

The "Single" setting is also available via the [FREQ] key.

Remote command:

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Coupled to Sweep List

Couples or decouples frequency selection to the contents of a sweep list.

If you couple the frequency to the sweep list, the application allows you to select only the frequencies currently part of the frequency list. If you enter another frequency, the application automatically selects the nearest frequency of the frequency list. If the frequency list has been calibrated previously, calibration remains valid for those frequencies when you change the tuning mode.

If you turn off the coupling, you can define any frequency for single frequency measurements. Note, however, that you have to calibrate the measurement for that frequency.

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Defining the Measurement Frequency

(Measurement) Points

Defines the number of measurement points for single frequency measurements.

For single frequency measurements, the number of measurement points corresponds to the number of measurements (index values) performed on a single frequency.

For more information, see "Single frequency measurements" on page 12.

The "Points" setting is also available via the [SPAN] key.

Remote command:

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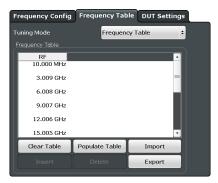
5.2.3 Using a Frequency Table

Access: "Overview" > "DUT" > "Frequency Config" > "Frequency Table"

The "Frequency Table" tab in the "Frequency Settings" dialog box contains functionality to manage the measurement frequencies.

The application populates the table according to the information you entered in the "Frequency Config" tab when you select "Populate Table".

Note that changes to the frequency table take effect only if you select the "Frequency Table" tuning mode.



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Frequency Table

Shows the current measurement points.

The table is made up of one column that represents the measurement frequency. Each frequency corresponds to one measurement point. The length of the table is variable (up to a maximum of 1201 points).

When you perform measurements in "Sweep" or "Single Frequency" tuning mode, the contents of the table have no effect on the measurement.

Selecting DUT Characteristics

When you select a table entry in "Frequency Table" tuning mode, you can edit it or add a new frequency below the selected frequency. A new frequency has to be higher than the last table entry and lower than the next table entry.

Clear Table

Deletes the contents of the table.

Populate Table

Populates or restores the measurement frequencies based on the center frequency, the start and stop frequencies, the span, the stepsize and the number of measurement points.

Remote command:

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```

Insert

Inserts a new measurement point above the one you have selected.

Delete

Deletes the currently selected measurement point.

Import / Export

Opens a dialog box to select a frequency table to import or export.

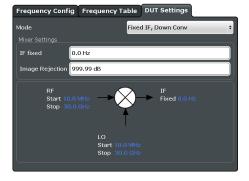
An import copies the frequency table into the default frequency table directory. An export copies the table to a location outside the default frequency table directory, e.g. a memory stick. The file extension has to be *.freq.

For details on the required file format, see Chapter A, "Reference: Frequency Table File Format", on page 189.

5.3 Selecting DUT Characteristics

Access: "Overview" > "DUT" > "DUT Settings"

The "DUT" button opens a dialog box to configure the characteristics of the DUT you are testing. The dialog box contains a schematic overview of the DUT input and output characteristics and the way it is integrated into the test setup.



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Mode

Selects the measurement mode.

The required measurement mode depends on the type of DUT you are testing. For more information, see Chapter 4.3, "DUT Types", on page 25.

Note: For upconverting measurements, if a preamplifier is used, make sure the upconverted frequencies for the measurement stay below the maximum frequency the preamplifier supports.

Remote command:

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DUT type: [SENSe:]CONFigure:MODE:DUT on page 112
LO type: [SENSe:]CONFigure:MODE:SYSTem:LO on page 111
```

LO Fixed

Defines a fixed LO frequency for measurements on frequency-converting DUTs with a fixed LO.

After you have defined the LO frequency, the application updates the frequency list accordingly.

The "LO" setting is also available via the [FREQ] key.

Remote command:

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[SENSe:]CONFigure:MODE:SYSTem:LO:FREQuency on page 112
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IF Fixed

Defines a fixed intermediary frequency (IF) for measurements on frequency-converting DUTs with a fixed IF.

After you have defined the intermediary frequency, the application updates the frequency list accordingly.

The "IF" setting is also available via the [FREQ] key.

Remote command:

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[SENSe:]CONFigure:MODE:SYSTem:IF:FREQuency on page 111
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Image Rejection

Turns image rejection of the DUT on and off.

If you set an image rejection of 0 dB, the image frequency passes completely. If you set a high image rejection (up to 999.99 dB), the image frequency is suppressed completely. For DUTs that have a partial image rejection, define the amount of suppression.

For more information, see Chapter 4.5, "Image Frequency Rejection", on page 28.

Remote command:

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[SENSe:] CORRection: IREJection on page 112
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Configuring the Noise Source

5.4 Configuring the Noise Source

The noise source characteristics are used to calculate the effective noise temperature of the noise source. The more accurate the specified characteristics of the noise source you are using, the more accurate the measurement results. The noise source characteristics must be supplied by its manufacturer.

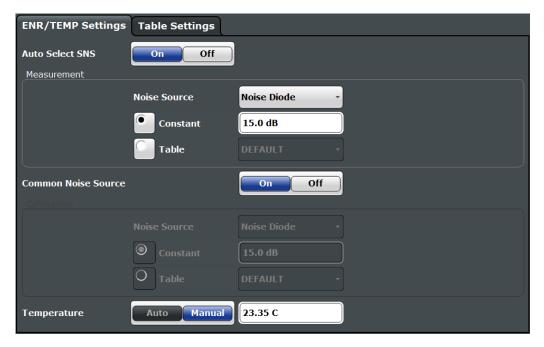
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5.4.1 Defining the Noise Source Characteristics

Access: "Overview" > "Noise Source" > "ENR / Temp Settings"

The noise characteristics of noise sources with diode characteristics are usually defined by their ENR (Excess Noise Ratio). The noise characteristics of noise sources with resistor characteristics are defined by their noise (or ambient) temperatures (T_{hot} and T_{cold}). T_{cold} is typically at a very low temperature of liquid nitrogen or liquid helium.

Both noise source types can have different ENR values during the calibration and the measurement stage. You can use either the same type of noise source for both calibration and measurement, or use different types of noise sources for calibration and measurement.



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Noise Source

Access: "Overview" > "Noise Source" > "ENR / Temp Settings" > "Noise Source"

You can select the type of noise source and its characteristics independently for the Calibration and the Measurement.

"Diode" Selects a noise source with diode characteristics. The frequency

characteristics of the noise source are defined by the Excess Noise

ratio (ENR).

"Resistor" Selects a test setup that uses two resistors which act as a noise

source. One of the resistors has a low noise or ambient temperature (a cold resistor), the other has a high noise or ambient temperature (a hot resistor). The noise characteristics of the resistor are defined by

its noise temperatures T_{hot} and T_{cold} .

When you select the resistor noise source, the application automatically starts the manual measurement mode, which is indicated in a

message at the bottom of the dialog box.

Remote command:

Measurement: [SENSe:]CORRection:ENR[:MEASurement]:TYPE on page 119 Calibration: [SENSe:]CORRection:ENR:CALibration:TYPE on page 115

Measurement

Selects the source of the ENR or temperature values.

The frequency characteristics can be approximated by a constant or be based on an ENR or temperature table.

If the ENR or temperature is a constant, the same values are used for all frequencies in the frequency table. If you have selected a constant ENR, you have to define its magnitude in the input field next to the radio button. If you have selected a constant temperature, you have to define the temperatures of the resistor in the input fields next to the radio button. T_{hot} is the temperature of a resistor with a low noise or ambient temperature; T_{cold} is the temperature of a resistor with a high noise or ambient temperature.

If the noise characteristics are based on a table, the ENR level and temperatures typically depend on the measurement frequency. You can select an existing table from the dropdown menu next to the radio button, if it is active. For more information on ENR and temperature tables, see Chapter 5.4.2, "Using an ENR or Temperature Table", on page 50.

When "Common Noise Source" is on, the ENR is used for both measurement and calibration

Remote command:

ENR mode: [SENSe:]CORRection:ENR[:MEASurement]:MODE on page 118

Constant ENR: [SENSe:]CORRection:ENR[:MEASurement]:SPOT on page 118

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Constant temperature: [SENSe:]CORRection:ENR[:MEASurement]:SPOT:HOT

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Common Noise Source

Turns the use of a common ENR on and off.

Common ENRs have the same characteristics for the measurement and calibration. If you turn off common ENR, you can define an additional ENR to be used during calibration.

Define additional ENR for measurements on frequency converting DUTs, if one noise source does not cover the frequency range at the DUT input (RF) and for calibration (IF).

Remote command:

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[SENSe:] CORRection: ENR: COMMon on page 116
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Calibration

Selects the source of the ENR or temperature values used during calibration.

The frequency characteristics can be a constant or be based on an ENR or temperature table.

If the ENR or temperature is a constant, the same value is used for all frequencies in the frequency table. If you have selected a constant ENR, you can also define its value in the input field next to the radio button. If you have selected a constant temperature, you have to define the temperatures of the resistor in the input fields next to the radio button. T_{hot} is the temperature of a resistor with a low noise or ambient temperature; T_{cold} is the temperature of a resistor with a high noise or ambient temperature.

If the noise source characteristics are based on a table, the ENR level and temperature depend on the measurement frequency. In that case, the values are interpolated to the measurement points. You can select a table from the dropdown menu next to the radio button, if it is active. For more information on ENR tables, see Chapter 5.4.2, "Using an ENR or Temperature Table", on page 50.

The calibration settings are available if the "Common Noise Source" is off.

Remote command:

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ENR mode: [SENSe:] CORRection: ENR: CALibration: MODE on page 114

Constant ENR: [SENSe:] CORRection: ENR: CALibration: SPOT on page 114

Select table: [SENSe:] CORRection: ENR: CALibration: TABLe: SELect
on page 115

Constant temperature: [SENSe:] CORRection: ENR: CALibration: SPOT: COLD
on page 113

Constant temperature: [SENSe:] CORRection: ENR: CALibration: SPOT: HOT
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Temperature

Defines the absolute room temperature in degree Celsius or Fahrenheit.

The room temperature is required for the calculation of the real ENR of the noise source, because an ENR table is based on a temperature of 290K.

To change the unit of the temperature from Celsius to Fahrenheit, change the date format from "DE" to "US" in the "General" display settings.

- Press the [SETUP] key.
- Select "Display".
- Select the "General" tab.

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Select "DE" for Celsius or "US" for Fahrenheit.

Note: If you define the temperature via remote control, the unit is degree Kelvin.

Remote command:

[SENSe:] CORRection: TEMPerature on page 120

5.4.2 Using an ENR or Temperature Table

Access: "Overview" > "Noise Source" > "Table Settings"

The "Table Settings" tab in the "ENR/TEMP Settings" dialog box contains the functionality to create and edit ENR or temperature tables.

ENR or temperature tables contain the noise source characteristics for particular frequencies. If the table does not contain ENR or temperature values for one of the measurement frequencies, the application interpolates between the values.

The "Table Settings" tab contains a list of ENR and temperature tables currently available on the R&S FPS and shows the table currently in use if the "ENR/TEMP Settings" are enabled.

In addition, the tab contains functionality to create new tables and modify existing ones.

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Noise Source

Selects the type of noise source you are using for the measurement. The type of noise source selected in the "ENR/TEMP Settings" > "Noise Source" dialog is adopted automatically.

The noise source type affects the data type that the table contains. For a "Noise Diode", the table contains the ENR values of the noise source you are using. For a "Resistor", the table contains the noise temperatures of the resistors (T_{hot} and T_{cold}).

For more information on the noise source types, see "Noise Source" on page 48.

Remote command:

[SENSe:]CORRection:ENR[:MEASurement]:TYPE on page 119

Now

Opens the Edit Table dialog box to create a new table.

The contents of the dialog box are empty.

Remote command:

Table selection: [SENSe:] CORRection: ENR: CALibration: TABLe: SELect on page 115

and: [SENSe:] CORRection: ENR[: MEASurement]: TABLe: SELect on page 117

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Diode: [SENSe:]CORRection:ENR[:MEASurement]:TABLe[:DATA]
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Resistor: [SENSe:]CORRection:ENR[:MEASurement]:TABLe:TEMPerature[:DATA] on page 117
```

Edit

Opens the Edit Table dialog box to modify the selected table.

Remote command:

```
Table selection: [SENSe:]CORRection:ENR[:MEASurement]:TABLe:SELect on page 117 and: [SENSe:]CORRection:ENR[:MEASurement]:TABLe:SELect on page 117 Diode: [SENSe:]CORRection:ENR[:MEASurement]:TABLe[:DATA] on page 116 Resistor: [SENSe:]CORRection:ENR[:MEASurement]:TABLe:TEMPerature[:DATA] on page 117
```

Delete

Deletes the selected table.

Remote command:

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Diode: [SENSe:]CORRection:ENR[:MEASurement]:TABLe:DELete
on page 116
Resistor:[SENSe:]CORRection:ENR[:MEASurement]:TABLe:TEMPerature:
DELete on page 117
```

Copy To

Opens the Edit Table dialog box to modify the selected table and save it under a new name.

Import / Export Table

Opens a dialog box to select a table to import or export.

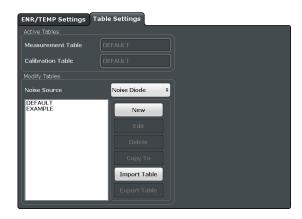
An import copies the ENR or temperature table into the default table directory. An export copies the table to a location outside the default table directory, for example a memory stick. The file extension has to be *.enr.

Edit Table

Defines the noise source characteristics or the loss characteristics of additional measurement equipment.

The noise source and loss tables are made up of up to 1201 data points. A data point consists of a frequency and its corresponding ENR, temperature or loss value. The ENR and temperature values must be supplied by the manufacturer of the noise source or resistor. The loss characteristics of measurement equipment must also be supplied by the manufacturer.

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"Name" Name of the ENR, temperature or loss table.

"Comment" Comment for the ENR, temperature or loss table.

"Frequency" Frequency of a particular ENR, temperature or loss value.

"Value" ENR value or loss in dB.

For a resistor, the characteristics of the resistor are defined by the noise temperatures T_{hot} and T_{cold} instead of a single value. The unit in

that case is Kelvin (degrees).

"Clear Table" Deletes the contents of the table (frequencies and values) or the loss

table.

"Insert" Inserts a new data point above the selected one.

"Delete" Deletes the selected data point.

"Save" Saves the able.

"Cancel" Exits the "Edit Table" dialog box and returns to the result diagram.

Remote command:

Edit ENR table: [SENSe:]CORRection:ENR[:MEASurement]:TABLe[:DATA]

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Edit temperature table: [SENSe:]CORRection:ENR[:MEASurement]:TABLe:

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5.5 Configuring Additional Loss

These settings configure the loss characteristics of additional equipment in the test setup, such as cables or attenuators at the DUT input or output. The characteristics of such equipment must be supplied by the manufacturer.

Note that loss is only considered during the measurement and not during calibration because the noise source is connected directly to the analyzer input.

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Treatment of losses in resistor noise sources

For resistor noise sources, it is not possible to change the loss characteristics.

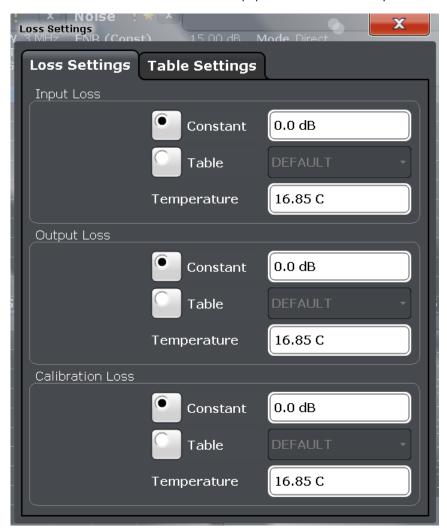
When you change back to using a diode as a noise source, the previous loss settings are **not** restored. In that case, store loss settings in a loss table for later use.

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5.5.1 Defining Loss

Access: "Overview" > "Loss Input" / "Loss Output" > "Loss Settings"

The "Loss Settings" tab in the "Loss Settings" dialog box contains settings to define the loss characteristics of miscellaneous equipment in the test setup.



You can define the loss characteristics of the signal path to the DUT input and the signal path from the DUT output to the analyzer.

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Furthermore, you can define the loss characteristics of the signal path from the noise source directly to the analyzer for the calibration measurement.

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Input Loss

Defines losses between the noise source and the DUT input.

The input loss is the sum of all losses caused by the measurement equipment. The loss can be constant or based on a loss table.

If the loss is constant, the same loss is used for all frequencies in the frequency table. If you have selected a constant loss, you can also define its value in the input field next to the radio button.

If the loss is based on a table, the loss values are interpolated to the measurement frequencies. You can select a table from the dropdown menu next to the radio button, if it is active. For more information on loss tables, see Chapter 5.5.2, "Using a Loss Table", on page 55.

The specified temperature at the time of measurement can be considered in the loss calculation.

Remote command:

Loss mode:

[SENSe:] CORRection:LOSS:INPut:MODE on page 123

Constant loss:

[SENSe:]CORRection:LOSS:INPut:SPOT on page 123

Select loss table:

[SENSe:]CORRection:LOSS:INPut:TABLe:SELect on page 124

Temperature:

[SENSe:] CORRection:LOSS:INPut:TEMPerature on page 125

Output Loss

Selects the loss between the DUT output and the RF input of the analyzer.

The output loss is the sum of all losses caused by the measurement equipment (e.g. connectors, cables or attenuators). The loss can be constant or be based on a loss table.

If the loss is constant, the same loss is used for all frequencies in the frequency table. If you have selected a constant loss, you can also define its value in the input field next to the radio button.

If the loss is based on a table, the loss values are interpolated to the measurement frequencies. You can select a table from the dropdown menu next to the radio button, if it is active. For more information on loss tables, see Chapter 5.5.2, "Using a Loss Table", on page 55.

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The current temperature at the time of measurement can be considered in the loss calculation.

Remote command:

Loss mode:

[SENSe:]CORRection:LOSS:OUTPut:MODE on page 125

Constant loss:

[SENSe:]CORRection:LOSS:OUTPut:SPOT on page 125

Select loss table:

[SENSe:]CORRection:LOSS:OUTPut:TABLe:SELect on page 126

Temperature:

[SENSe:]CORRection:LOSS:OUTPut:TEMPerature on page 127

Calibration Loss

Selects the loss between the noise source and the RF input of the analyzer for the calibration measurement.

The loss is the sum of all losses caused by the measurement equipment (e.g. connectors, cables or attenuators). The loss can be constant or be based on a loss table.

If the loss is constant, the same loss is used for all frequencies in the frequency table. If you have selected a constant loss, you can also define its value in the input field next to the radio button.

If the loss is based on a table, the loss values are interpolated to the measurement frequencies. You can select a table from the dropdown menu next to the radio button, if it is active. For more information on loss tables, see Chapter 5.5.2, "Using a Loss Table", on page 55.

The current temperature at the time of measurement can be considered in the loss calculation.

Remote command:

Loss mode:

[SENSe:] CORRection:LOSS:CALibration:MODE on page 121

Constant loss:

[SENSe:] CORRection:LOSS:CALibration:SPOT on page 121

Select loss table:

[SENSe:]CORRection:LOSS:CALibration:TABLe:SELect on page 122

Temperature:

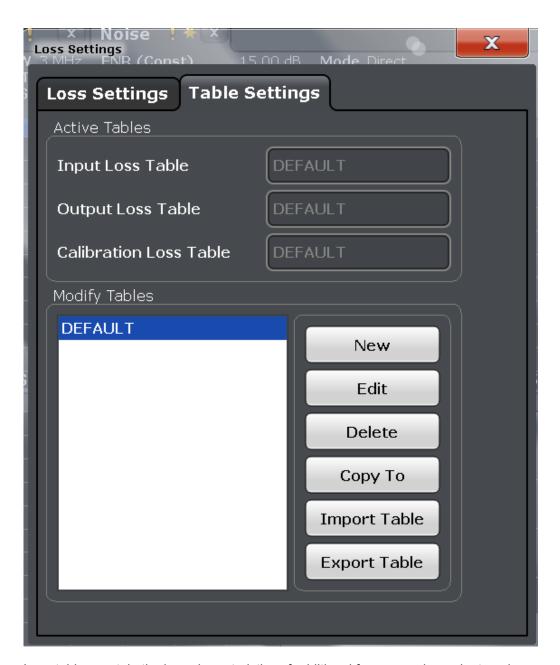
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5.5.2 Using a Loss Table

Access: "Overview" > "Loss Input" / "Loss Output" > "Table Settings"

The "Table Settings" tab in the "Loss Settings" dialog box contains the functionality to create and edit loss tables.

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Loss tables contain the loss characteristics of additional frequency-dependent equipment in the test setup. If you are using a loss table, the loss values can be different on each frequency that is measured. If the table does not contain a loss for one of the measurement frequencies, the application interpolates between values.

The "Table Settings" tab contains a list of loss tables currently available on the R&S FPS. It shows the table currently selected in the "Loss Settings" tab.

In addition, the tab contains functionality to create new tables and modify existing ones.

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New

Opens the Edit Table dialog box to create a new loss table.

The contents of the dialog box are empty.

Remote command:

Create input loss table:

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Create output loss table:

[SENSe:]CORRection:LOSS:OUTPut:TABLe[:DATA] on page 126

Create calibration loss table:

[SENSe:]CORRection:LOSS:CALibration:TABLe[:DATA] on page 122

Edit

Opens the Edit Table dialog box to modify the selected table.

Remote command:

Edit input loss table:

[SENSe:]CORRection:LOSS:INPut:TABLe[:DATA] on page 123

Edit output loss table:

[SENSe:]CORRection:LOSS:OUTPut:TABLe[:DATA] on page 126

Edit calibration loss table:

[SENSe:]CORRection:LOSS:CALibration:TABLe[:DATA] on page 122

Delete

Deletes the selected table.

Remote command:

Delete input loss table:

[SENSe:]CORRection:LOSS:INPut:TABLe:DELete on page 124

Delete output loss table:

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Delete calibration loss table:

[SENSe:]CORRection:LOSS:CALibration:TABLe:DELete on page 121

Copy To

Opens the Edit Table dialog box to modify the selected table and save it under a new name.

Import / Export Table

Opens a dialog box to select a loss table to import or export.

An import copies the loss table into the default loss table directory. An export copies the table to a location outside the default loss table directory, e.g. a memory stick. The file extension has to be *.loss.

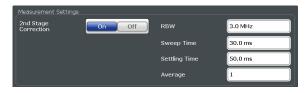
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5.6 Configuring the Analyzer

Access: "Overview" > "Spectrum Analyzer"

Or: [MEAS CONFIG] > "Meas Settings"

The measurement settings include parameters related to the second stage correction measurement.





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2nd Stage Correction

Turns 2nd stage correction on and off.

If enabled, the application uses the calibration data to compensate for the inherent noise of the analyzer when calculating the measurement results.

If disabled, the application does not correct the measurement results, even if a valid calibration has been performed. Note that correction data is not deleted if you turn off the 2nd stage correction.

For more information, see Chapter 4.6, "Calibration (2nd Stage Correction)", on page 30.

Remote command:

State: [SENSe:]CORRection[:STATe] on page 128

Calibration measurement selection: [SENSe:]CONFigure:CORRection on page 127

Resolution Bandwidth (RBW)

Defines the resolution bandwidth for the measurement.

For more information on the resolution bandwidth, see Chapter 4.7, "Separating Signals by Selecting an Appropriate Resolution Bandwidth", on page 33.

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Remote command:

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Sweep Time

Defines the sweep time for the measurement.

The sweep time is the time it takes the analyzer to perform a measurement at one measurement frequency.

Note that noise figure measurements perform two measurements during one sweep. One with the noise source turned on, one with the noise source turned off.

Remote command:

[SENSe:] SWEep:TIME on page 130

Settling Time

Defines the settling time of the DUT and the noise source.

Most noise sources need a certain amount of time to settle after you turn them on. Low-frequency DUTs can require a certain time until their coupling capacitors have been charged or discharged. Both are defined as the settling time. For details on the settling time, refer to the datasheet of the noise source.

Remote command:

SYSTem: CONFigure: DUT: STIMe on page 132

Average

Defines the number of measurements that are used to average the results.

The more measurements you include in the averaging, the more accurate and stable the results are. However, accuracy and stability come at the price of measurement speed.

Remote command:

[SENSe:] SWEep:COUNt on page 129

Ref Level

Turns automatic determination of the reference level on and off.

The reference level is the power level the R&S FPS expects at the RF input. Keep in mind that the noise signal has a high crest factor. To avoid an instrument overload, set the reference level to the peak envelope power of the noise signal, not to the mean power.

Set the reference level to approximately 5 dB to 15 dB above the noise display that occurs with the DUT connected and the noise source activated.

To get the best dynamic range, set the reference level as low as possible. At the same time, make sure that the maximum signal level does not exceed the reference level. If it does, it can overload the RF and IF stages of the analyzer, regardless of the signal power. Measurement results can deteriorate.

Note that the signal level at the A/D converter can be stronger than the level the R&S FPS displays because the resolution bandwidths are implemented digitally after the A/D converter.

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If automatic detection of the reference level is on, the application performs a measurement to determine the ideal reference level. The time of this measurement depends on the state of the "2nd Stage Correction".

- "2nd Stage Correction" is enabled
 The application determines the reference level before the calibration starts. The reference level is based on several test measurements on the start frequency.

 For more information, see "Auto Level Range" on page 60.
- "2nd Stage Correction" is disabled The application determines the reference level before the measurement begins. The reference level is based on the measurement of the first frequency that is measured. After this measurement is done, the application resumes the measurement.

If manual selection of the reference level is on, you can define the reference level in the corresponding input field.

Note: Reference level. Even for DUTs with a high-ripple frequency response it can be useful to define the reference level manually. Determining the reference level automatically does not always result in optimal settings.

Remote command:

Manual reference level:

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DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:RLEVel on page 130 Automatic reference level:
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DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:RLEVel:AUTO on page 130

Auto Level Range

Defines the maximum expected gain of the DUT.

The application uses the auto level range to determine the reference level automatically if the 2nd stage correction is on.

Make sure the range does not exceed the actual gain of the DUT by more than 10 dB.

Remote command:

SYSTem: CONFigure: DUT: GAIN on page 132

RF Attenuation

Defines the RF attenuation of the analyzer.

The attenuation is applied to the signal at the RF input.

Attenuation affects the quality of the noise figure measurement results. For a low noise figure of the analyzer (and thus more accurate measurement results), keep the attenuation as low as possible. No attenuation is best. However, some high-power DUTs require attenuation to avoid an overload of the analyzer. An attenuation of 10 dB provides a better input VSWR of the analyzer, but results in a deteriorating noise figure.

Remote command:

INPut<ip>:ATTenuation on page 131

Preamplifier (option B22/B24)

Switches the preamplifier on and off. If activated, the input signal is amplified by 20 dB. If option R&S FPS-B22 is installed, the preamplifier is only active below 7 GHz.

If option R&S FPS-B24 is installed, the preamplifier is active for all frequencies.

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Make sure that the used preamplifier covers all (possibly upconverted) frequencies to be measured during the noise figure measurement. The frequencies can vary depending on the Tuning Mode. For example, a sweep mode can require a span above 7 GHz, while a single frequency stays below. Thus, the preamplifier can be activated or deactivated individually for different tuning modes. When you switch tuning modes, the defined preamplifier state is adapted.

Remote command:

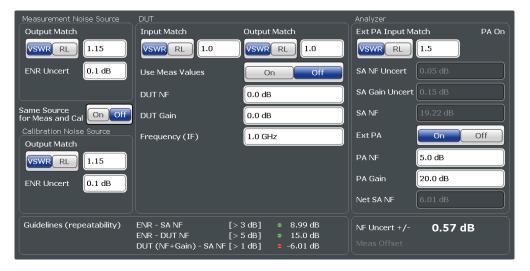
INPut:GAIN:STATe on page 131

5.7 Using the Uncertainty Calculator

Access: [MEAS CONFIG] > "Uncertainty Calculation"

Noise figure measurements are subject to uncertainty. The noise figure measurement is meaningless if the measurement uncertainty is too large. Knowing the uncertainty of the noise figure measurement adds value especially when comparing measurement results.

Note that the noise figure uncertainty is not calculated for frequencies above 67 GHz because input VSWR values are not specified.



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Uncertainty values and systematic error recognition

Note that the uncertainty calculation only takes systematic measurement inaccuracies into account.

The most significant inaccuracies are:

- Uncertainties of the noise source and the analyzer
- Input and output matching
- Noise figure and gain of the DUT
- Noise figure of the analyzer

The accuracy of the measurement can also be affected by insufficient repeatability during calibration or measurement.

The repeatability is mainly affected by:

- Signal-to-noise ratio during calibration and measurement
- Measurement time (if it is too short)
- Environmental conditions (e.g. a change in the temperature between measurements)
- Mechanical stability of the test setup

For more background information on noise figure measurement uncertainty, refer to the application note "The Y-Factor Technique for Noise Figure Measurement" available for download on the Rohde & Schwarz homepage (http://www.rohde-schwarz.com/en/applications/the-y-factor-technique-for-noise-figure-measurements-application-note_56280-15484.html).

In addition to the parameters described here, the application also considers several parameters from the general measurement configuration when calculating the uncertainty.

- Measurement mode
- 2nd Stage Correction

If 2nd stage correction is on, but no calibration data is available, uncertainty is calculated without the 2nd stage correction data.

- Internal preamplification
- RF Attenuation
- Temperature
- ENR values

5.7.1 Configuring Noise Source Characteristics

Access: [MEAS CONFIG] > "Uncertainty Calculation"

The Uncertainty Calculator supports individual characteristics for a noise source used during calibration and the measurement.

If you are using a Common ENR, the application assumes that the Output Match and ENR Uncert(ainty) are the same during calibration and measurement. Only the "Measurement Noise Source" parameters are displayed.

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If you are using a different noise source during calibration and measurement, the Uncertainty Calculator adds an Output Match and ENR Uncert(ainty) required for uncertainty calculation during calibration.

Note that you have to turn off the Common Noise Source if you have to define the values of the noise source used during calibration.

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Common Source for Meas and Cal

Controls the way the application calculates the uncertainty for the noise source.

Turn on the switch when you use the same noise source during calibration and measurement. Only one set of fields to define the noise source characteristics is available. The application calculates the uncertainty according to the values you have entered in there.

Turn the switch off when you use different noise sources during calibration and measurement. The application shows an additional set of fields to define the noise source characteristics. The uncertainty calculation also includes these values.

The switch is available if you have turned on Common Noise Source.

Remote command:

CALCulate<n>:UNCertainty:COMMon on page 133

Output Match

Defines the output match of the noise source you are using.

You can define the output match either as the VSWR or as the return loss (RL).

Refer to the datasheet of the noise source for these values.

Remote command:

```
CALCulate<n>:UNCertainty:MATCh:SOURce:CALibration:RL on page 139
CALCulate<n>:UNCertainty:MATCh:SOURce:RL on page 139
CALCulate<n>:UNCertainty:MATCh:SOURce:CALibration[:VSWR]
on page 139
CALCulate<n>:UNCertainty:MATCh:SOURce:CALibration:RL on page 139
```

ENR Uncert(ainty)

Defines the uncertainty of the excess noise ratio of the noise source you are using.

Refer to the datasheet of the noise source for this value.

Available for noise sources with diode characteristics.

Remote command:

```
CALCulate<n>:UNCertainty:ENR:UNCertainty on page 136
CALCulate<n>:UNCertainty:ENR:CALibration:UNCertainty on page 135
```

Temperature Uncert(ainty)

Defines the uncertainty of the hot and cold temperatures of the noise source you are using.

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Refer to the datasheet of the noise source for these values.

Available for resistor noise sources.

Remote command:

CALCulate <n>:UNCertainty:ENR:UNCertainty:COLD on page 136</n>
CALCulate <n>:UNCertainty:ENR:CALibration:UNCertainty:HOT</n>
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CALCulate <n>:UNCertainty:ENR:CALibration:UNCertainty:COL</n>
on page 135
CALCulate <n>:UNCertainty:ENR:CALibration:UNCertainty:HOT</n>
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5.7.2 Configuring DUT Characteristics

Access: [MEAS CONFIG] > "Uncertainty Calculation"

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Input / Output Match

Defines the match at the DUT input and output.

You can define the match either as the VSWR or as the return loss (RL). If you define the VSWR or the return loss, the application automatically calculates the other.

If these values are not defined in the DUT datasheet, determine these values, for example, with a network analyzer.

Remote command:

```
CALCulate<n>:UNCertainty:MATCh:DUT:IN[:VSWR] on page 137
CALCulate<n>:UNCertainty:MATCh:DUT:IN:RL on page 137
CALCulate<n>:UNCertainty:MATCh:DUT:OUT[:VSWR] on page 138
CALCulate<n>:UNCertainty:MATCh:DUT:OUT:RL on page 138
```

Use Measurement Values

Turns automatic determination of the DUT characteristics used for the uncertainty calculation on and off.

If on, the application calculates the uncertainty with the DUT characteristics (noise figure, gain and frequency) resulting from the noise figure measurement. For this method, the application calculates the uncertainty for each measurement point (or frequency) based on the noise figure and gain results of the last measurement.

If you have selected automatic determination of the DUT characteristics, the application does not show a result in the "NF Uncertainty +/-" field in the dialog box. Instead, to view the uncertainty at all measurement points, use the "Result Table".

If off, define the gain, noise figure and frequency of the DUT manually for a single frequency. With this manual determination of the DUT characteristics, the application only calculates the uncertainty for that frequency and shows the result in the "NF Uncertainty +/-" field in the dialog box.

- Noise Figure of the DUT
- Gain of the DUT

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Frequency of the DUT

Remote command:

Control automatic DUT characteristics determination:

CALCulate<n>:UNCertainty[:RESult]? on page 141

Manual definition of DUT characteristics:

CALCulate<n>:UNCertainty:DATA:NOISe on page 134
CALCulate<n>:UNCertainty:DATA:GAIN on page 134
CALCulate<n>:UNCertainty:DATA:FREQuency on page 133

5.7.3 Configuring Analyzer Characteristics

Access: [MEAS CONFIG] > "Uncertainty Calculation"

For the analyzer characteristics, the application always uses the data specified in the datasheet of the R&S FPS model you are using. Thus, it is not possible to change or adjust the analyzer characteristics in any way. The uncertainty calculation takes several analyzer characteristics into account, of which the following are shown as read-only fields in the user interface.

- SA Input Match: Input match (VSWR or return loss) of the analyzer
- SA NF Uncert: Noise figure uncertainty of the analyzer
- SA Gain Uncert: Gain uncertainty of the analyzer
- SA NF: Noise figure of the analyzer

However, if you are using an external preamplifier in the test setup, you have to specify its characteristics to get a valid uncertainty result.

Remote commands:

CALCulate <n>:UNCertainty:SANalyzer:GAIN:UNCertainty?on</n>	page 141
CALCulate <n>:UNCertainty:SANalyzer:NOISe:UNCertainty? o</n>	n page 142
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L Preamplifier Gain (PA Gain)	
L Net spectrum analyzer noise figure (Net SA NF)	

External Preamplifier (Ext PA)

If enabled, the application automatically calculates and updates the analyzer characteristics based on the characteristics of the external preamplifier defined here.

Refer to the datasheet of the preamplifier you are using for the values you have to enter.

Remote command:

CALCulate<n>:UNCertainty:PREamp:STATe on page 141

Preamplifier noise figure (PA NF) ← External Preamplifier (Ext PA)

Defines the noise figure of the preamplifier.

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Remote command:

CALCulate<n>:UNCertainty:PREamp:NOISe on page 140

Preamplifier Gain (PA Gain) ← External Preamplifier (Ext PA)

Defines the gain of the preamplifier.

Remote command:

CALCulate<n>:UNCertainty:PREamp:GAIN on page 140

Net spectrum analyzer noise figure (Net SA NF) ← External Preamplifier (Ext PA) Shows the noise figure of the analyzer.

If you are using an external preamplifier, the application calculates the noise figure of the analyzer including the noise figure of the preamplifier and shows the result here.

If you do not use an external preamplifier, this value is the same as the noise figure of the analyzer shown in the "SA NF" field.

5.7.4 Guidelines and Results

Access: [MEAS CONFIG] > "Uncertainty Calculation"

The lower part of the dialog box contains measurement guidelines that provide information on the quality of measurement and the actual noise figure uncertainty.

Guidelines

The guidelines are an indicator of the quality of the measurement and an indicator the repeatability of the measurement.

The three guidelines are:

- Make sure that the noise figure of the DUT and the gain of the DUT is greater than the noise figure of the analyzer plus 1 dB.
- Make sure that the ENR of the noise source is greater than the noise figure of the DUT plus 5 dB.
- Make sure that the ENR of the noise source is greater than the noise figure of the analyzer plus 3 dB.

A short form of these guidelines is indicated in the "Uncertainty Calculation" dialog box. The dialog box also indicates if the guidelines have been met or not by a colored dot.

- Green light : guideline condition met.
- Yellow light : guideline condition not met, but within 1 dB of being met.
- Red light : guideline condition not met.

Note that the guidelines have no effect on the actual uncertainty that has been calculated and that they are only considered for measurements with 2nd Stage Correction.

Uncertainty

The "Uncertainty" result is shown only if you define the noise figure and gain characteristics of the DUT manually on a single frequency. In that case, the uncertainty shown in

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the "Uncertainty Calculation" dialog box is valid only for the DUT frequency you have defined.

The "Measurement Offset" evaluates the internal noise of the R&S FPS that is added to the noise figure results. The measurement offset result is displayed when 2nd stage correction is turned off. When you turn on 2nd stage correction, the internal noise is automatically removed from the uncertainty results, so the measurement offset is not shown.

If you are using the noise figure and gain that has been determined during a measurement, the uncertainty is displayed only in the result table.

For more information, see "Use Measurement Values" on page 64.

SCPI command:

CALCulate<n>:UNCertainty[:RESult]? on page 141

5.8 Performing Measurements

Access: [SWEEP]

Access (calibration): "Overview" > "Calibrate"

This chapter contains all functionality necessary to control and perform noise figure measurements.

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Continuous Sweep / Run Cont

Initiates a measurement and repeats it continuously until stopped. If necessary, the application automatically determines the reference level before starting the actual measurement.

While the measurement is running, the "Continuous Sweep" softkey and the [RUN CONT] key are highlighted. The running measurement can be aborted by selecting the highlighted softkey or key again. The results are not deleted until a new measurement is started.

Note: Sequencer. Furthermore, the [RUN CONT] key controls the Sequencer, not individual sweeps. [RUN CONT] starts the Sequencer in continuous mode. For details on the Sequencer, see the R&S FPS User Manual.

Remote command:

INITiate<n>:CONTinuous on page 143

Single Sweep / Run Single

Initiates a single measurement. The measurement is finished after all frequencies in the frequency list have been measured. If necessary, the application automatically determines the reference level before starting the actual measurement.

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While the measurement is running, the "Single Sweep" softkey and the [RUN SINGLE] key are highlighted. The running measurement can be aborted by selecting the highlighted softkey or key again.

Remote command:

INITiate<n>[:IMMediate] on page 144

Calibrate

Initiates a calibration measurement.

For interpolation purposes, R&S FPS-K30 will internally add additional measurement points at the band switching frequencies. This may increase the time needed to complete the calibration.

For more information see Chapter 4.6, "Calibration (2nd Stage Correction)", on page 30.

Remote command:

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INITiate<n>[:IMMediate] on page 144
when [SENSe:]CONFigure:CORRection is on.
```

Sweep Time

Defines the sweep time.

For more information see "Sweep Time" on page 59.

Meas Mode (Auto Manual)

Selects the measurement mode for the hot and cold power measurements.

For more information about the measurement modes see Chapter 4.2, "Measurement Modes", on page 23.

In manual measurement mode, the application opens a dialog box when you start a measurement. For more information about its contents see "Performing a manual measurement" on page 23.

Remote command:

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[SENSe:]CONFigure:CONTrol on page 145
[SENSe:]CONFigure:MEASurement on page 146
```

5.9 Configuring Inputs and Outputs of the R&S FPS

The following input settings are available for the R&S FPS Noise Figure measurements application on the R&S FPS.

5.9.1 Radio Frequency (RF) Input

Access: [INPUT/OUTPUT] > "Input Source Config" > "Input Source" > "Radio Frequency"

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The RF input is the default input of the R&S FPS.

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Input Coupling

The RF input of the R&S FPS can be coupled by alternating current (AC) or direct current (DC).

AC coupling blocks any DC voltage from the input signal. This is the default setting to prevent damage to the instrument. Very low frequencies in the input signal may be dis-

However, some specifications require DC coupling. In this case, you must protect the instrument from damaging DC input voltages manually. For details, refer to the data sheet.

Remote command:

INPut<ip>: COUPling on page 147

Impedance

For some measurements, the reference impedance for the measured levels of the R&S FPS can be set to 50 Ω or 75 Ω .

Select 75 Ω if the 50 Ω input impedance is transformed to a higher impedance using a 75 Ω adapter of the RAZ type. (That corresponds to 25 Ω in series to the input impedance of the instrument.) The correction value in this case is 1.76 dB = 10 log (75Ω) 50Ω).

Remote command:

INPut<ip>: IMPedance on page 147

YIG-Preselector

Enables or disables the YIG-preselector, if available on the R&S FPS.

An internal YIG-preselector at the input of the R&S FPS ensures that image frequencies are rejected. However, this is only possible for a restricted bandwidth. To use the maximum bandwidth for signal analysis you can disable the YIG-preselector at the input of the R&S FPS, which can lead to image-frequency display.

Note that the YIG-preselector is active only on frequencies greater than 8 GHz. Therefore, switching the YIG-preselector on or off has no effect if the frequency is below that value.

Remote command:

INPut<ip>:FILTer:YIG[:STATe] on page 148

5.9.2 External Generator

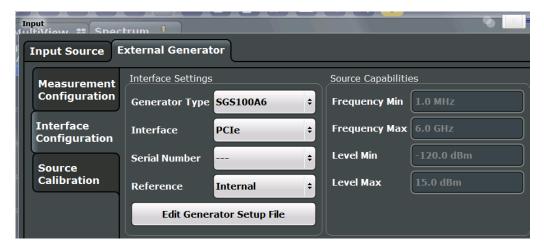
Access: [INPUT/OUTPUT] > "Input Source Config" > "External Generator"

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5.9.2.1 Interface Configuration Settings

Access: "Overview" > "Local Oscillator" > "External Generator" > "Measurement Configuration"



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Generator Type

Selects the generator type and thus defines the generator setup file to use.

Remote command:

SYSTem: COMMunicate: RDEVice: GENerator < gen>: TYPE on page 149

Interface

Type of interface connection used.

For details on which signal generators support which interfaces, see the documentation of the corresponding signal generator.

TCP/IP

Remote command:

SYSTem:COMMunicate:RDEVice:GENerator<gen>:INTerface on page 150

TCPIP Address / Computer Name

TCP/IP address of the signal generator

Remote command:

SYSTem:COMMunicate:TCPip:RDEVice:GENerator<gen>:ADDRess
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Reference

Selects the internal R&S FPS or an external frequency reference to synchronize the R&S FPS with the generator (default: internal).

Remote command:

SOURce<si>:EXTernal<gen>:ROSCillator[:SOURce] on page 149

Edit Generator Setup File

Displays the setup file for the currently selected Generator Type in read-only mode in an editor.

Although the existing setup files are displayed in read-only mode in the editor, they can be saved under a different name (using "File > SaveAs").

For more information, see Chapter 4.4, "External Generator Control", on page 26.

Frequency Min / Frequency Max

For reference only: Lower and upper frequency limit for the generator.

Level Min / Level Max

For reference only: Lower and upper power limit for the generator.

5.9.2.2 Measurement Configuration

Access: "Overview" > "Local Oscillator" > "External Generator" > "Measurement Configuration"



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Automatic Control

Turns automatic control of the external generator on and off.

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If on, the application controls the configuration of the external generator during measurements by transmitting the required remote commands. The connection is established automatically before a measurement if Init Before Meas is on. To establish the connection manually at any time, use the Init External Generator function.

Otherwise, you have to control the generator manually. The application assumes that the generator is configured correctly for the measurement. The remote connection to the generator is automatically terminated.

Turn on automatic control to perform Fixed IF measurements with the LO frequency tuned to the current measurement (RF) frequency. Manual control is recommended only for measurements whose generator settings remain the same during the measurement.

Remote command:

SYSTem: CONFigure: GENerator: CONTrol: STATe on page 150

Init Before Meas

Turns automatic transmission of the external generator configuration on and off.

If enabled, the application transmits a sequence of remote commands that configures the generator and turns on its RF output before each measurement. Thus, the generator runs with the required configuration and can still receive remote control commands during a measurement. Automatic initialization requires a slightly longer measurement time because of the time required to transmit the commands and configure the generator.

If disabled, you have to initialize the generator manually with Init External Generator.

Note that you have to establish the connection before you can perform a measurement with the external generator.

Remote command:

SYSTem: CONFigure: GENerator: INITialise: AUTO on page 150

Auto Switch Off

Turns automatic deactivation of the generator's RF output on and off.

If enabled, the application transmits a sequence of remote commands to turn off the RF output of the generator when a measurement is over. A measurement is over after a single sweep or if the measurement is aborted. The sequence of commands also ends the remote control session.

If disabled, you have to turn off the RF output and remote control session manually.

Note that when you close the R&S FPS Noise Figure measurements application, the generator's RF output is turned off and the remote session is terminated.

Remote command:

SYSTem: CONFigure: GENerator: SWITch: AUTO on page 151

Source Power

Defines the output power of the external generator.

The range depends on the generator you are using and is defined in its data sheet.

Remote command:

SOURce<si>:EXTernal<gen>:POWer[:LEVel] on page 149

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Frequency Coupling

Defines frequency correction characteristics.

The generator frequency is calculated as follows.

$$f_{Generator} = \left[\left(f_{LO} + Offset < 1 > \right) * \frac{Numerator}{Denominator} \right] + Offset < 2 >$$

With:

- f_{Generator}= generator frequency
- f_{LO}= frequency of the analyzer's LO
- f_{offset<1>}= offset frequency of the analyzer
- f_{offset<2>}= offset frequency of other components

Use the factors and offsets to compensate one or more components in the test setup which change the frequency between the generator and the DUT. Make sure, however, that the result does not exceed the frequency range of the generator.

The application calculates the resulting start and stop frequency based on the values you apply and displays them below the equation.

Remote command:

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SOURce:EXTernal:FREQuency[:FACTor]:DENominator on page 148
SOURce:EXTernal:FREQuency[:FACTor]:NUMerator on page 148
SOURce:EXTernal:FREQuency:OFFSet<of> on page 148
```

Init External Generator

Establishes a connection to generator and turns on its RF output.

You can establish the connection automatically before a measurement if Init Before Meas is on.

Note that you have to establish the connection before you can perform a measurement with the external generator.

Remote command:

```
SYSTem: CONFigure: GENerator: INITialise [: IMMediate] on page 151
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Configuring the Display

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This chapter contains all settings and parameters that the application provides to analyze and evaluate measurement results.

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6.1 Configuring the Display

Access: [MEAS CONFIG] > "Result Config"

Display configuration settings configure the way the results are displayed in the diagram.

The contents depend on whether you want to configure a graphical result display or a numerical result display.

Specifics for

The settings you make apply to the results you have selected in the "Specifics for" dropdown menu. If more than one window is active, "Specifics for" also puts the focus on the corresponding window.

6.1.1 Configuring Graphical Results

Access: [MEAS CONFIG] > "Result Config" > "Graph"

When configuring graphical results, the dialog box contains functionality to scale and set up the diagram axes.



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Y-Axis

Selects the result display and thus the scaling of the vertical axis.

For more information, see Chapter 3, "Measurements and Result Displays", on page 12.

Auto Scale / Min / Max

Turns automatic scaling of the vertical axis on and off.

If on, the application optimizes the scaling of the vertical axis after each measurement for ideal viewing of the results.

If off, you can define the scaling manually. The "Min" and "Max" input fields become available. These two input fields define the values at the top and bottom of the vertical axis.

Remote command:

Automatic scaling:

```
DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:AUTO on page 154
Manual minimum value:
DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:BOTTom on page 153
Manual maximum value
DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:TOP on page 154
```

Symbols

Turns symbols that represent a measurement point on the trace on and off.

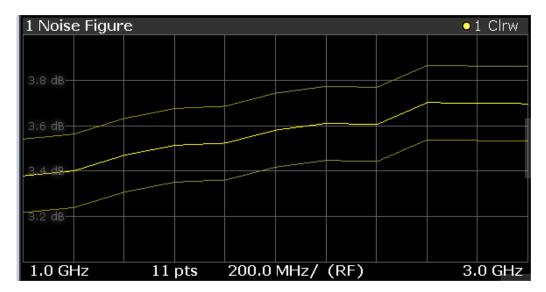
Remote command:

```
DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:SYMBols on page 152
```

Uncertainty

Displays an additional trace indicating the measured trace values ± the uncertainty values determined by the uncertainty calculator. Thus, you obtain a range of minimum and maximum result values. This trace is only useful for noise figure measurements.

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Remote command:

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:UNCertainty on page 152

X-Axis

Selects the frequency data that is displayed on the x-axis.

For measurements on frequency converting DUTs with a variable intermediate frequency, you can display either the RF frequency or the IF frequency.

Note that a change of the x-axis scale applies to all result displays, and also determines which value is output for trace export.

The "Frequency Axis" scale is also available via the [FREQ] key.

Remote command:

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:X[:SCALe] on page 153

6.1.2 Configuring Numerical Results

When configuring numerical results, the dialog box selects the type of results you want to display in the result table. The results in the table are based on a particular trace that you can select in the corresponding input field.

You can add an aspect of the measurement by placing a checkmark in front of the corresponding result on and remove it by removing the checkmark.

For more information on each result, see Chapter 3, "Measurements and Result Displays", on page 12.



Working with Traces

Remote command:

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TABLe:ITEM on page 151

6.2 Working with Traces

Access (trace configuration): [TRACE] > "Trace Config" > "Traces"

Access (trace export): [TRACE] > "Trace Config" > "Trace / Data Export"

Access (copy trace): [TRACE] > "Trace Config" > "Trace Copy"

A trace is the graphical representation of a set of measurement results in a diagram. Each measurement window that contains graphical results supports up to four individual traces. Each trace has a different color. Trace settings determine how the measured data is analyzed and displayed on the screen. The trace information, including a color map and trace mode is summarized in the diagram header.

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Traces

The "Trace 1 to 4" softkeys open the "Traces" tab of the "Trace Configuration" dialog

The "Traces" tab contains functionality to configure a trace.

"Trace Selec- The "Trace 1" to "Trace 4" buttons select a trace. If a trace is

tion" selected, it is highlighted orange.

Note that you cannot select a trace if its trace mode is "Blank".

"Trace Mode" Selects the trace mode for the corresponding trace.

For more information, see Chapter 4, "Measurement Basics",

on page 21.

Remote command:

Trace mode:

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:MODE on page 155

Smoothing

If enabled, the trace is smoothed by the specified value (between 1 % and 50 %). The smoothing value is defined as a percentage of the display width. The larger the smoothing value, the greater the smoothing effect.

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Remote command:

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DISPlay[:WINDow<n>][:SUBWindow<w>]:TRACe<t>:SMOothing[:STATe]
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DISPlay[:WINDow<n>][:SUBWindow<w>]:TRACe<t>:SMOothing:APERture
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```

Preset Traces

Restores the default configuration for all traces in a window.

Trace Export

The "Trace Export" tab contains functionality to export trace data.

Export all Traces and all Table Results ← **Trace Export**

Selects all displayed traces and result tables (e.g. Result Summary, marker table etc.) in the current application for export to an ASCII file.

Alternatively, you can select one specific trace only for export (see Trace to Export).

The results are output in the same order as they are displayed on the screen: window by window, trace by trace, and table row by table row.

Remote command:

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Include Instrument & Measurement Settings ← Trace Export

Includes additional instrument and measurement settings in the header of the export file for result data.

Remote command:

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Trace to Export ← Trace Export

Defines an individual trace to be exported to a file.

This setting is not available if Export all Traces and all Table Results is selected.

Decimal Separator ← **Trace Export**

Defines the decimal separator for floating-point numerals for the data export/import files. Evaluation programs require different separators in different languages.

Remote command:

FORMat:DEXPort:DSEParator on page 158

Export Trace to ASCII File ← Trace Export

Opens a file selection dialog box and saves the selected trace in ASCII format (.dat) to the specified file and directory.

The results are output in the same order as they are displayed on the screen: window by window, trace by trace, and table row by table row.

The column headers are provided as the first row. Whether the frequency value represents the RF or IF frequency depends on the X-Axis setting.

Remote command:

MMEMory:STORe<n>:TRACe on page 159

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Copy Trace

Access: "Overview" > "Analysis" > "Traces" > "Copy Trace"

Or: [TRACE] > "Copy Trace"

Copies trace data to another trace.

The first group of buttons (labeled "Trace 1" to "Trace 4") selects the source trace. The second group of buttons (labeled "Copy to Trace 1" to "Copy to Trace 4") selects the destination.

Remote command:

TRACe<n>: COPY on page 159

6.3 Using Markers

Markers help you to read out measurement results for particular frequencies or mark a particular point on a trace. The noise figure application features four markers. Markers in the noise figure application are linked. If you use more than one measurement window and activate a marker in one window, it also appears in all other measurement windows on the same horizontal position.

6.3.1 Marker Configuration

Access (marker configuration): [MKR] > "Marker Config" > "Marker"

Access (marker settings): [MKR] > "Marker Config" > "Marker Settings"

The "Marker Configuration" dialog box and the "Marker" menu contain all functionality necessary to control markers.

The "Marker Configuration" dialog box consists of two tabs.

The "Markers" tab contains functionality to define characteristics for each marker.



The "Marker Settings" tab contains general marker functionality.

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Marker (1...4)

Selects or turns the corresponding marker on and off.

Turning on a marker also opens an input field to define the horizontal position of the marker.

By default, the first marker you turn on is a normal marker, all others are delta markers.

Marker Type

Toggles the marker type.

The type for marker 1 is always "Normal", the type for delta marker 1 is always "Delta". These types cannot be changed.

Note: If normal marker 1 is the active marker, switching the "Mkr Type" activates an additional delta marker 1. For any other marker, switching the marker type does not activate an additional marker, it only switches the type of the selected marker.

"Normal" A normal marker indicates the absolute value at the defined position

in the diagram.

"Delta" A delta marker defines the value of the marker relative to the speci-

fied reference marker (marker 1 by default).

Remote command:

```
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```

Marker to Trace

Opens an input field to assign the marker to a particular trace if you are using more than one trace.

All Markers Off

Deactivates all markers in one step.

Remote command:

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:AOFF on page 170

Marker Config

Opens the "Marker Configuration" dialog box.

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The "Marker Configuration" dialog box contains all marker functions necessary to set up the four markers supported by the application.

Selected

Highlights the currently selected marker.

State

Turns a marker on and off.

X-value

Defines the marker position on the horizontal axis.

Type

Selects the marker type. For more information see " Marker Type " on page 80.

Trace

Selects the trace the marker is positioned on.

Marker Table Display

Defines how the marker information is displayed.

"On" Displays the marker information in a table in a separate area beneath

the diagram.

"Off" No separate marker table is displayed.

If Marker Info is active, the marker information is displayed within the

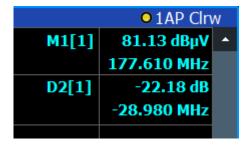
diagram area.

Remote command:

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:MTABle on page 175

Marker Info

Turns the marker information displayed in the diagram on and off.



Remote command:

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:MINFo[:STATe] on page 175

6.3.2 Marker Positioning

If you are using more than one measurement window, the application performs the peak search in the currently selected measurement window. The currently selected measurement window has a blue border. Because the markers are linked in the noise figure application, the frequency position of the marker in the other window is updated accordingly, even if it means that the marker is on a peak in one window only.

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Select Marker <x>

Opens a dialog box to select and activate or deactivate one or more markers.

The number in the softkey label (**<x>**) shows the number of the currently selected marker.



Remote command:

Marker selected via suffix <m> in remote commands.

Peak Search

Sets the selected marker/delta marker to the maximum of the trace. If no marker is active, marker 1 is activated.

Remote command:

```
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MAXimum[:PEAK] on page 177
CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MAXimum[:PEAK] on page 179
```

Search Next Peak

Sets the selected marker/delta marker to the next (lower) maximum of the assigned trace. If no marker is active, marker 1 is activated.

Remote command:

```
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MAXimum:NEXT on page 176

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MAXimum:RIGHt on page 177

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```

Search Minimum

Sets the selected marker/delta marker to the minimum of the trace. If no marker is active, marker 1 is activated.

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Remote command:

```
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MINimum[:PEAK] on page 178
CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MINimum[:PEAK] on page 180
```

Search Next Minimum

Sets the selected marker/delta marker to the next (higher) minimum of the selected trace. If no marker is active, marker 1 is activated.

Remote command:

```
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MINimum:NEXT on page 177

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MINimum:LEFT on page 177

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```

Marker to Single Frequency

Starts a single frequency measurement on the current marker position.

When you use this function, the application changes the tuning mode and automatically adjusts the single frequency to that of the current marker position.

For more information see Chapter 4.1.3, "Single Frequency Measurements", on page 22.

6.4 Limit Line Settings and Functions

Access: [LINES]

The noise figure measurement application supports up to eight active limit lines in each active measurement window.



Stored limit line settings

When storing and recalling limit line settings, consider the information provided in the Data Management chapter of the R&S FPS User Manual.

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6.4.1 Limit Line Management

```
Access: "Overview" > "Analysis" > "Lines" > "Limit Lines"
```

or: [LINES] > "Line Config" > "Limit Lines"

For the limit line overview, the R&S FPS searches for all stored limit lines with the file extension .LIN in the limits subfolder of the main installation folder. The overview allows you to determine which limit lines are available and can be used for the current measurement.

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For details on settings for individual lines see Chapter 6.4.2, "Limit Line Details", on page 85.

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Name

The name of the stored limit line.

Unit

The unit in which the y-values of the data points of the limit line are defined.

Compatibility

Indicates whether the limit line definition is compatible with the current measurement settings.

Visibility

Displays or hides the limit line in the diagram. Up to 8 limit lines can be visible at the same time. Inactive limit lines can also be displayed in the diagram.

Remote command:

```
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```

Traces to be Checked

Defines which traces are automatically checked for conformance with the limit lines. As soon as a trace to be checked is defined, the assigned limit line is active. One limit line can be activated for several traces simultaneously. If any of the "Traces to be Checked" violate any of the active limit lines, a message is indicated in the diagram.

Remote command:

```
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:TRACe<t>:CHECk on page 169
```

Comment

An optional description of the limit line.

Show Compatible Limit Lines

Defines which of the stored limit lines are included in the overview.

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If active, only limit lines that are compatible to the result display currently in focus are displayed.

Show Lines for Noise

If activated (default), only limit lines created for noise figure measurements are displayed. Otherwise, all limit lines are displayed.

Create New Line

Creates a new limit line.

Edit Line

Edit an existing limit line configuration.

Copy Line

Copy the selected limit line configuration to create a new line.

Remote command:

CALCulate<n>:LIMit:COPY on page 166

Delete Line

Delete the selected limit line configuration.

Remote command:

CALCulate<n>:LIMit:DELete on page 167

Disable All Lines

Disable all limit lines in one step.

Remote command:

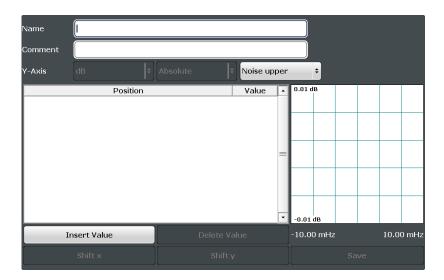
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6.4.2 Limit Line Details

Access: "Overview" > "Analysis" > "Lines" > "Limit Lines" > "New" / "Edit" / "Copy To"

or: [LINES] > "Line Config" > "Limit Lines" > "New" / "Edit" / "Copy To"

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Name

Defines the limit line name. All names must be compatible with Windows conventions for file names. The limit line data is stored under this name (with a .LIN extension).

Remote command:

CALCulate<n>:LIMit:NAME on page 161

Comment

Defines an optional comment for the limit line.

Remote command:

CALCulate<n>:LIMit:COMMent on page 161

Y-Axis

Describes the vertical axis on which the data points of the limit line are defined.

You can select the type of limit line (upper or lower) for each type of result. From that information, the application sets the level unit and y-axis scaling. Both are then fix parameters because the unit depends on the result and the scaling is always absolute in case of noise figure measurements.

Data Points

Each limit line is defined by a minimum of 2 and a maximum of 200 data points. Each data point is defined by its position (x-axis) and value (y-value). Data points must be defined in ascending order. The same position can have two different values.

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Remote command:

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```

Insert Value

Inserts a data point in the limit line above the selected one in the "Edit Limit Line" dialog box.

Delete Value

Deletes the selected data point in the "Edit Limit Line" dialog box.

Shift x

Shifts the x-value of each data point horizontally by the defined shift width.

Remote command:

```
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:CONTrol:SHIFt on page 163
```

Shift y

Shifts the y-value of each data point vertically by the defined shift width.

Remote command:

```
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:LOWer:SHIFt on page 164
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:UPPer:SHIFt on page 165
```

Save

Saves the currently edited limit line under the name defined in the "Name" field.

7 Remote Control Commands for Noise Figure Measurements

The following remote control commands are required to configure and perform noise figure measurements in a remote environment. The R&S FPS must already be set up for remote operation in a network as described in the base unit manual.



Common functionality

Note that basic tasks that are also performed in the base unit in the same way are not described here. For a description of such tasks, see the R&S FPS User Manual.

In particular, this includes:

- Managing Settings and Results, i.e. storing and loading settings and result data.
- Basic instrument configuration, e.g. checking the system configuration, customizing the screen layout, or configuring networks and remote operation.
- Using the common status registers (specific status registers for Pulse measurements are not used).

Channel-specific commands

Apart from a few general commands on the R&S FPS, most commands refer to the currently active channel. Thus, always remember to activate a Noise Figure channel before starting a remote program for a noise figure measurement.

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7.1 Common Suffixes

In the R&S FPS Noise Figure measurements application, the following common suffixes are used in remote commands:

Table 7-1: Common suffixes used in remote commands in the R&S FPS Noise Figure measurements application

Suffix	Value range	Description
<m></m>	1 to 4	Marker
<n></n>	1 to 16	Window (in the currently selected channel)
<t></t>	1 to 4	Trace
< i>	1 to 8	Limit line

7.2 Introduction

Commands are program messages that a controller (e.g. a PC) sends to the instrument or software. They operate its functions ('setting commands' or 'events') and request information ('query commands'). Some commands can only be used in one way, others work in two ways (setting and query). If not indicated otherwise, the commands can be used for settings and queries.

The syntax of a SCPI command consists of a header and, in most cases, one or more parameters. To use a command as a query, you have to append a question mark after the last header element, even if the command contains a parameter.

A header contains one or more keywords, separated by a colon. Header and parameters are separated by a "white space" (ASCII code 0 to 9, 11 to 32 decimal, e.g. blank). If there is more than one parameter for a command, these are separated by a comma from one another.

Only the most important characteristics that you need to know when working with SCPI commands are described here. For a more complete description, refer to the User Manual of the R&S FPS.



Remote command examples

Note that some remote command examples mentioned in this general introduction may not be supported by this particular application.

7.2.1 Conventions used in Descriptions

Note the following conventions used in the remote command descriptions:

Command usage

If not specified otherwise, commands can be used both for setting and for querying parameters.

If a command can be used for setting or querying only, or if it initiates an event, the usage is stated explicitly.

Parameter usage

If not specified otherwise, a parameter can be used to set a value and it is the result of a query.

Parameters required only for setting are indicated as **Setting parameters**. Parameters required only to refine a query are indicated as **Query parameters**. Parameters that are only returned as the result of a query are indicated as **Return values**.

Conformity

Commands that are taken from the SCPI standard are indicated as **SCPI confirmed**. All commands used by the R&S FPS follow the SCPI syntax rules.

Asynchronous commands

A command which does not automatically finish executing before the next command starts executing (overlapping command) is indicated as an **Asynchronous command**.

Reset values (*RST)

Default parameter values that are used directly after resetting the instrument (*RST command) are indicated as *RST values, if available.

Default unit

The default unit is used for numeric values if no other unit is provided with the parameter.

Manual operation

If the result of a remote command can also be achieved in manual operation, a link to the description is inserted.

7.2.2 Long and Short Form

The keywords have a long and a short form. You can use either the long or the short form, but no other abbreviations of the keywords.

The short form is emphasized in upper case letters. Note however, that this emphasis only serves the purpose to distinguish the short from the long form in the manual. For the instrument, the case does not matter.

Example:

SENSe: FREQuency: CENTer is the same as SENS: FREQ: CENT.

7.2.3 Numeric Suffixes

Some keywords have a numeric suffix if the command can be applied to multiple instances of an object. In that case, the suffix selects a particular instance (e.g. a measurement window).

Numeric suffixes are indicated by angular brackets (<n>) next to the keyword.

If you don't quote a suffix for keywords that support one, a 1 is assumed.

Example:

DISPlay[:WINDow<1...4>]:ZOOM:STATe enables the zoom in a particular measurement window, selected by the suffix at WINDow.

DISPlay: WINDow4: ZOOM: STATE ON refers to window 4.

7.2.4 Optional Keywords

Some keywords are optional and are only part of the syntax because of SCPI compliance. You can include them in the header or not.

Note that if an optional keyword has a numeric suffix and you need to use the suffix, you have to include the optional keyword. Otherwise, the suffix of the missing keyword is assumed to be the value 1.

Optional keywords are emphasized with square brackets.

Example:

Without a numeric suffix in the optional keyword:

[SENSe:] FREQuency: CENTer is the same as FREQuency: CENTer

With a numeric suffix in the optional keyword:

DISPlay[:WINDow<1...4>]:ZOOM:STATe

DISPlay: ZOOM: STATE ON enables the zoom in window 1 (no suffix).

DISPlay: WINDow4: ZOOM: STATE ON enables the zoom in window 4.

7.2.5 Alternative Keywords

A vertical stroke indicates alternatives for a specific keyword. You can use both keywords to the same effect.

Example:

[SENSe:]BANDwidth|BWIDth[:RESolution]

In the short form without optional keywords, BAND 1MHZ would have the same effect as BWID 1MHZ.

7.2.6 SCPI Parameters

Many commands feature one or more parameters.

If a command supports more than one parameter, these are separated by a comma.

Example:

LAYout: ADD: WINDow Spectrum, LEFT, MTABle

Parameters may have different forms of values.

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7.2.6.1 Numeric Values

Numeric values can be entered in any form, i.e. with sign, decimal point or exponent. In case of physical quantities, you can also add the unit. If the unit is missing, the command uses the basic unit.

Example:

With unit: SENSe: FREQuency: CENTer 1GHZ

Without unit: SENSe: FREQuency: CENTer 1E9 would also set a frequency of 1 GHz.

Values exceeding the resolution of the instrument are rounded up or down.

If the number you have entered is not supported (e.g. in case of discrete steps), the command returns an error.

Instead of a number, you can also set numeric values with a text parameter in special cases.

- MIN/MAX
 - Defines the minimum or maximum numeric value that is supported.
- DEF

Defines the default value.

UP/DOWN

Increases or decreases the numeric value by one step. The step size depends on the setting. In some cases you can customize the step size with a corresponding command.

Querying numeric values

When you query numeric values, the system returns a number. In case of physical quantities, it applies the basic unit (e.g. Hz in case of frequencies). The number of digits after the decimal point depends on the type of numeric value.

Example:

Setting: SENSe: FREQuency: CENTer 1GHZ

Query: SENSe: FREQuency: CENTer? would return 1E9

In some cases, numeric values may be returned as text.

- INF/NINF
 Infinity or negative infinity. Represents the numeric values 9.9E37 or -9.9E37.
- NAN

Not a number. Represents the numeric value 9.91E37. NAN is returned in case of errors.

7.2.6.2 Boolean

Boolean parameters represent two states. The "ON" state (logically true) is represented by "ON" or a numeric value 1. The "OFF" state (logically untrue) is represented by "OFF" or the numeric value 0.

Querying Boolean parameters

When you query Boolean parameters, the system returns either the value 1 ("ON") or the value 0 ("OFF").

Example:

Setting: DISPlay: WINDow: ZOOM: STATE ON

Query: DISPlay: WINDow: ZOOM: STATe? would return 1

7.2.6.3 Character Data

Character data follows the syntactic rules of keywords. You can enter text using a short or a long form. For more information see Chapter 7.2.2, "Long and Short Form", on page 90.

Querying text parameters

When you query text parameters, the system returns its short form.

Example:

Setting: SENSe: BANDwidth: RESolution: TYPE NORMal

Query: SENSe: BANDwidth: RESolution: TYPE? would return NORM

7.2.6.4 Character Strings

Strings are alphanumeric characters. They have to be in straight quotation marks. You can use a single quotation mark (') or a double quotation mark (").

Example:

INSTRument:DELete 'Spectrum'

7.2.6.5 Block Data

Block data is a format which is suitable for the transmission of large amounts of data.

The ASCII character # introduces the data block. The next number indicates how many of the following digits describe the length of the data block. In the example the 4 following digits indicate the length to be 5168 bytes. The data bytes follow. During the transmission of these data bytes all end or other control signs are ignored until all bytes are

transmitted. #0 specifies a data block of indefinite length. The use of the indefinite format requires an NL^END message to terminate the data block. This format is useful when the length of the transmission is not known or if speed or other considerations prevent segmentation of the data into blocks of definite length.

7.3 Controlling the Noise Figure Measurement Channel

The following commands are necessary to control the measurement channel.

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INSTrument:CREate:DUPLicate

This command duplicates the currently selected channel, i.e creates a new channel of the same type and with the identical measurement settings. The name of the new channel is the same as the copied channel, extended by a consecutive number (e.g. "IQAnalyzer" -> "IQAnalyzer 2").

The channel to be duplicated must be selected first using the INST: SEL command.

Example: INST:SEL 'IQAnalyzer'

INST:CRE:DUPL

Duplicates the channel named 'IQAnalyzer' and creates a new

channel named 'IQAnalyzer2'.

Usage: Event

INSTrument:CREate[:NEW] < Channel Type>, < Channel Name>

This command adds an additional measurement channel. You can configure up to 10 measurement channels at the same time (depending on available memory).

Parameters:

<ChannelType> Channel type of the new channel.

For a list of available channel types see INSTrument:LIST?

on page 95.

<ChannelName> String containing the name of the channel.

Note that you can not assign an existing channel name to a new

channel; this will cause an error.

Example: INST:CRE SAN, 'Spectrum 2'

Adds an additional spectrum display named "Spectrum 2".

INSTrument: CREate: REPLace < Channel Name 1>, < Channel Type>, < Channel Name 2>

This command replaces a channel with another one.

Setting parameters:

<ChannelName1> String containing the name of the channel you want to replace.

<ChannelType> Channel type of the new channel.

For a list of available channel types see INSTrument:LIST?

on page 95.

<ChannelName2> String containing the name of the new channel.

Note: If the specified name for a new channel already exists, the default name, extended by a sequential number, is used for the

new channel (see INSTrument:LIST? on page 95).

Channel names can have a maximum of 31 characters, and must be compatible with the Windows conventions for file names. In particular, they must not contain special characters

such as ":", "*", "?".

Example: INST:CRE:REPL 'IQAnalyzer2',IQ,'IQAnalyzer'

Replaces the channel named "IQAnalyzer2" by a new channel of

type "IQ Analyzer" named "IQAnalyzer".

Usage: Setting only

INSTrument: DELete < Channel Name >

This command deletes a channel.

If you delete the last channel, the default "Spectrum" channel is activated.

Setting parameters:

<ChannelName> String containing the name of the channel you want to delete.

A channel must exist in order to be able delete it.

Example: INST:DEL 'IQAnalyzer4'

Deletes the channel with the name 'IQAnalyzer4'.

Usage: Setting only

INSTrument:LIST?

This command queries all active channels. This is useful in order to obtain the names of the existing channels, which are required in order to replace or delete the channels.

Return values:

<ChannelType>, For each channel, the command returns the channel type and

<ChannelName> channel name (see tables below).

Tip: to change the channel name, use the INSTrument:

REName command.

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Example: INST:LIST?

Result for 3 channels:

'ADEM', 'Analog Demod', 'IQ', 'IQ Analyzer', 'IQ', 'IQ Analyzer2'

Usage: Query only

Table 7-2: Available channel types and default channel names in Signal and Spectrum Analyzer mode

Application	<channeltype> parameter</channeltype>	Default Channel name*)
Spectrum	SANALYZER	Spectrum
1xEV-DO BTS (R&S FPS-K84)	BDO	1xEV-DO BTS
1xEV-DO MS (R&S FPS-K85)	MDO	1xEV-DO MS
3GPP FDD BTS (R&S FPS-K72)	BWCD	3G FDD BTS
3GPP FDD UE (R&S FPS-K73)	MWCD	3G FDD UE
Analog Modulation Analysis (R&S FPS-K7)	ADEM	Analog Demod
cdma2000 BTS (R&S FPS-K82)	BC2K	CDMA2000 BTS
cdma2000 MS (R&S FPS-K83)	MC2K	CDMA2000 MS
GSM (R&S FPS-K10)	GSM	GSM
I/Q Analyzer	IQ	IQ Analyzer
LTE (R&S FPS-K10x)	LTE	LTE
NB-IoT (R&S FPS-K106)	NIOT	NB-IoT
Noise (R&S FPS-K30)	NOISE	Noise
5G NR (R&S FPS-K144)	NR5G	5G NR
Phase Noise (R&S FPS-K40)	PNOISE	Phase Noise
TD-SCDMA BTS (R&S FPS-K76)	BTDS	TD-SCDMA BTS
TD-SCDMA UE (R&S FPS-K77)	MTDS	TD-SCDMA UE
Verizon 5GTF Measurement Application (V5GTF, R&S FPS-K118)	V5GT	V5GT
VSA (R&S FPS-K70)	DDEM	VSA
WLAN (R&S FPS-K91)	WLAN	WLAN

^{*)} If the specified name for a new channel already exists, the default name, extended by a sequential number, is used for the new channel.

INSTrument:REName < ChannelName1>, < ChannelName2>

This command renames a channel.

Setting parameters:

<ChannelName1> String containing the name of the channel you want to rename.

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<ChannelName2> String containing the new channel name.

Note that you cannot assign an existing channel name to a new

channel; this will cause an error.

Channel names can have a maximum of 31 characters, and must be compatible with the Windows conventions for file names. In particular, they must not contain special characters

such as ":", "*", "?".

Example: INST:REN 'IQAnalyzer2', 'IQAnalyzer3'

Renames the channel with the name 'IQAnalyzer2' to 'IQAna-

lyzer3'.

Usage: Setting only

INSTrument[:SELect] <ChannelType> | <ChannelName>

This command activates a new channel with the defined channel type, or selects an existing channel with the specified name.

Also see

• INSTrument:CREate[:NEW] on page 94

Parameters:

<ChannelType> Channel type of the new channel.

For a list of available channel types see INSTrument:LIST?

on page 95.

<ChannelName> String containing the name of the channel.

Example: INST IQ

Activates a channel for the I/Q Analyzer application (evaluation

mode).

INST 'MyIQSpectrum'

Selects the channel named 'MylQSpectrum' (for example before

executing further commands for that channel).

SYSTem:PRESet:CHANnel[:EXEC]

This command restores the default instrument settings in the current channel.

Use INST: SEL to select the channel.

Example: INST:SEL 'Spectrum2'

Selects the channel for "Spectrum2".

SYST: PRES: CHAN: EXEC

Restores the factory default settings to the "Spectrum2" channel.

Usage: Event

Manual operation: See "Preset Channel" on page 40

The following commands are required to change the evaluation type and rearrange the screen layout for a channel as you do using the SmartGrid in manual operation. Since the available evaluation types depend on the selected application, some parameters for the following commands also depend on the selected channel.

Note that the suffix <n> always refers to the window in the currently selected channel.

LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]?	98
LAYout:CATalog[:WINDow]?	
LAYout:IDENtify[:WINDow]?	
LAYout:REMove[:WINDow]	100
LAYout:REPLace[:WINDow]	100
LAYout:SPLitter	
LAYout:WINDow <n>:ADD?</n>	102
LAYout:WINDow <n>:IDENtify?</n>	103
LAYout:WINDow <n>:REMove</n>	103
LAYout:WINDow <n>:REPLace</n>	103

LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]? <WindowName>, <Direction>, <WindowType>

This command adds a window to the display in the active channel.

This command is always used as a query so that you immediately obtain the name of the new window as a result.

To replace an existing window, use the LAYout:REPLace[:WINDow] command.

Query parameters:

<WindowName> String containing the name of the existing window the new win-

dow is inserted next to.

By default, the name of a window is the same as its index. To determine the name and index of all active windows, use the

LAYout:CATalog[:WINDow]? query.

Direction the new window is added relative to the existing win-

dow.

<WindowType> text value

Type of result display (evaluation method) you want to add.

See the table below for available parameter values.

Return values:

<NewWindowName> When adding a new window, the command returns its name (by

default the same as its number) as a result.

Example: LAY:ADD? '1', LEFT, MTAB

Result:

Adds a new window named '2' with a marker table to the left of

window 1.

Usage: Query only

Manual operation: See "Noise Figure" on page 13

See "Gain" on page 14

See "Noise Temperature" on page 14

See "Y-Factor" on page 15

See "ENR Measured" on page 16 See "Power (Hot)" on page 17 See "Power (Cold)" on page 17 See "Cal Y-Factor" on page 18 See "Cal Power (Hot)" on page 18 See "Cal Power (Cold)" on page 19

See "Result Table" on page 19 See "Marker Table" on page 20

Table 7-3: <WindowType> parameter values for Noise Figure application

Parameter value	Window type
CPCold	Cal Power (Cold)
CPHot	Cal Power (Hot)
CYFactor	Cal Y-Factor
ENR	ENR Measured
GAIN	Gain result display
MTABle	Marker table
NOISe	Noise figure result display
PCOLd	Power cold result display
PHOT	Power hot result display
RESults	Result table
TEMPerature	Noise temperature result display
YFACtor	Y-Factor result display

LAYout:CATalog[:WINDow]?

This command queries the name and index of all active windows in the active channel from top left to bottom right. The result is a comma-separated list of values for each window, with the syntax:

<WindowName_1>,<WindowIndex_n>

Return values:

<WindowName> string

Name of the window.

In the default state, the name of the window is its index.

<WindowIndex> numeric value

Index of the window.

Example: LAY:CAT?

Result: '2',2,'1',1

Two windows are displayed, named '2' (at the top or left), and '1'

(at the bottom or right).

Usage: Query only

LAYout:IDENtify[:WINDow]? <WindowName>

This command queries the **index** of a particular display window in the active channel.

Note: to query the **name** of a particular window, use the LAYout:WINDow<n>: IDENtify? query.

Query parameters:

<WindowName> String containing the name of a window.

Return values:

<WindowIndex> Index number of the window.

Example: LAY:WIND:IDEN? '2'

Queries the index of the result display named '2'.

Response:

2

Usage: Query only

LAYout:REMove[:WINDow] <WindowName>

This command removes a window from the display in the active channel.

Setting parameters:

<WindowName> String containing the name of the window. In the default state,

the name of the window is its index.

Example: LAY:REM '2'

Removes the result display in the window named '2'.

Usage: Setting only

LAYout:REPLace[:WINDow] <WindowName>,<WindowType>

This command replaces the window type (for example from "Diagram" to "Result Summary") of an already existing window in the active channel while keeping its position, index and window name.

To add a new window, use the LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]? command.

Setting parameters:

<WindowName> String containing the name of the existing window.

By default, the name of a window is the same as its index. To determine the name and index of all active windows in the active

channel, use the LAYout:CATalog[:WINDow]? query.

<WindowType> Type of result display you want to use in the existing window.

See LAYout: ADD[:WINDow]? on page 98 for a list of available

window types.

Example: LAY:REPL:WIND '1', MTAB

Replaces the result display in window 1 with a marker table.

Usage: Setting only

LAYout:SPLitter < Index1>, < Index2>, < Position>

This command changes the position of a splitter and thus controls the size of the windows on each side of the splitter.

Compared to the <code>DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:SIZE</code> on page 104 command, the <code>LAYout:SPLitter</code> changes the size of all windows to either side of the splitter permanently, it does not just maximize a single window temporarily.

Note that windows must have a certain minimum size. If the position you define conflicts with the minimum size of any of the affected windows, the command will not work, but does not return an error.





Figure 7-1: SmartGrid coordinates for remote control of the splitters

Setting parameters:

<Index1> The index of one window the splitter controls.

<Index2> The index of a window on the other side of the splitter.

<Position> New vertical or horizontal position of the splitter as a fraction of

the screen area (without channel and status bar and softkey

menu).

The point of origin (x = 0, y = 0) is in the lower left corner of the screen. The end point (x = 100, y = 100) is in the upper right cor-

ner of the screen. (See Figure 7-1.)

The direction in which the splitter is moved depends on the screen layout. If the windows are positioned horizontally, the splitter also moves horizontally. If the windows are positioned

vertically, the splitter also moves vertically.

Range: 0 to 100

Example: LAY:SPL 1,3,50

Moves the splitter between window 1 ('Frequency Sweep') and 3 ('Marker Table') to the center (50%) of the screen, i.e. in the fig-

ure above, to the left.

Example: LAY:SPL 1,4,70

Moves the splitter between window 1 ('Frequency Sweep') and 3

('Marker Peak List') towards the top (70%) of the screen. The following commands have the exact same effect, as any combination of windows above and below the splitter moves the

splitter vertically.
LAY:SPL 3,2,70
LAY:SPL 4,1,70
LAY:SPL 2,1,70

Usage: Setting only

LAYout:WINDow<n>:ADD? <Direction>,<WindowType>

This command adds a measurement window to the display. Note that with this command, the suffix <n> determines the existing window next to which the new window is added, as opposed to LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]?, for which the existing window is defined by a parameter.

To replace an existing window, use the LAYout:WINDow<n>: REPLace command.

This command is always used as a query so that you immediately obtain the name of the new window as a result.

Suffix:

<n> Window

Query parameters:

<WindowType> Type of measurement window you want to add.

See LAYout: ADD [:WINDow]? on page 98 for a list of available

window types.

Return values:

<NewWindowName> When adding a new window, the command returns its name (by

default the same as its number) as a result.

Example: LAY:WIND1:ADD? LEFT,MTAB

Result:

Adds a new window named '2' with a marker table to the left of

window 1.

Usage: Query only

LAYout:WINDow<n>:IDENtify?

This command queries the **name** of a particular display window (indicated by the <n> suffix) in the active channel.

Note: to query the **index** of a particular window, use the LAYout:IDENtify[: WINDow]? command.

Suffix:

<n> Window

Return values:

<WindowName> String containing the name of a window.

In the default state, the name of the window is its index.

Example: LAY:WIND2:IDEN?

Queries the name of the result display in window 2.

Response:

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Usage: Query only

LAYout:WINDow<n>:REMove

This command removes the window specified by the suffix <n> from the display in the active channel.

The result of this command is identical to the LAYout: REMove [:WINDow] command.

Suffix:

<n> Window

Example: LAY:WIND2:REM

Removes the result display in window 2.

Usage: Event

LAYout:WINDow<n>:REPLace <WindowType>

This command changes the window type of an existing window (specified by the suffix <n>) in the active channel.

The effect of this command is identical to the ${\tt LAYout:REPLace[:WINDow]}$ command.

To add a new window, use the LAYout: WINDow<n>: ADD? command.

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Suffix:

<n> Window

Setting parameters:

<WindowType> Type of measurement window you want to replace another one

with.

See LAYout: ADD[:WINDow]? on page 98 for a list of available

window types.

Example: LAY:WIND2:REPL MTAB

Replaces the result display in window 2 with a marker table.

Usage: Setting only

7.5 General Window Commands

The following commands are required to configure general window layout, independent of the application.

DISPlay:FORMat	104
DISPlav[:WINDow <n>1:SIZE.</n>	104

DISPlay:FORMat <Format>

This command determines which tab is displayed.

Parameters:

<Format> SPLit

Displays the MultiView tab with an overview of all active chan-

nels

SINGle

Displays the measurement channel that was previously focused.

*RST: SING

Example: DISP: FORM SPL

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:SIZE <Size>

This command maximizes the size of the selected result display window *temporarily*. To change the size of several windows on the screen permanently, use the LAY:SPL command (see LAYout:SPLitter on page 101).

Suffix:

<n> Window

Parameters:

<Size> LARGe

Maximizes the selected window to full screen. Other windows are still active in the background.

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SMALI

Reduces the size of the selected window to its original size. If more than one measurement window was displayed originally, these are visible again.

*RST: SMALI

Example: DISP:WIND2:SIZE LARG

7.6 Retrieving Measurement Results

The following commands are necessary to query measurement results.

TRACe<n>[:DATA]? <Trace>[, <Result>]

This command queries the noise figure measurement results.

Suffix:

<n> 1..n

Window

Query parameters:

<Trace> TRACe1 | TRACe2 | TRACe3 | TRACe4

Selects the trace to be read out.

TRACE1
TRACE2
TRACE3
TRACE4

<Result> NOISe | GAIN | TEMPerature | YFACtor | ENR | PHOT |

PCOLd | CYFactor | CPHot | CPCold | NUNCertainty

Selects the result display to be read out.

CPCold

Queries calibration power (cold) results.

CPHot

Queries calibration power (hot) results.

CYFactor

Queries calibration y-factor results.

ENR

Queries ENR measured results.

GAIN

Queries gain results.

NOISe

Queries noise figure results.

NUNCertainty

Queries noise figure uncertainty results.

PCOLd

Queries power (cold) results.

PHOT

Queries power (hot) results.

TEMPerature

Queries noise temperature results.

YFACtor

Queries y-factor results.

Return values:

<TraceData> For any graphical result display, the command returns one result

for each measurement point.

The unit depends on the result you are querying.

Example: TRAC? TRACE1, GAIN

Queries the gain results for the first trace.

Usage: Query only

Manual operation: See "Noise Figure" on page 13

See "Gain" on page 14

See "Noise Temperature" on page 14

See "Y-Factor" on page 15

See "ENR Measured" on page 16 See "Power (Hot)" on page 17 See "Power (Cold)" on page 17 See "Cal Y-Factor" on page 18 See "Cal Power (Hot)" on page 18 See "Cal Power (Cold)" on page 19 See "Result Table" on page 19

7.7 Defining the Measurement Frequency

The following commands are necessary to define the frequency characteristics of the noise figure measurement.

[SENSe:]CONFigure:FREQuency:CONTinuous	107
[SENSe:]CONFigure:FREQuency:SINGle	107
[SENSe:]CONFigure:LIST:CONTinuous	
[SENSe:]CONFigure:LIST:SINGle	107
[SENSe:]FREQuency:CENTer	
[SENSe:]FREQuency:TABLe:DATA	108
[SENSe:]FREQuency:LIST:DATA	108
[SENSe:]FREQuency:POINts	109
[SENSe:]FREQuency:SINGle	109
[SENSe:]FREQuency:SINGle:COUPled	109
[SENSe:]FREQuency:SPAN	109
[SENSe:]FREQuency:STARt	110
[SENSe:]FREQuency:STEP	110
[SENSe:]FREQuency:STOP	110

[SENSe:]CONFigure:FREQuency:CONTinuous

This command configures the software to perform a single frequency measurement in continuous sweep mode.

Example: FREQ:SING 20MHz

Defines a measurement frequency of 20 MHz.

CONF: FREQ: CONT

INIT

Selects and initiates a single frequency measurement.

Usage: Event

Manual operation: See "Tuning Mode" on page 41

[SENSe:]CONFigure:FREQuency:SINGle

This command configures the software to perform a single frequency measurement in single sweep mode.

Example: FREQ:SING 20MHz

Defines a measurement frequency of 20 MHz.

CONF: FREQ: SING

INIT

Selects and initiates a single frequency measurement.

Usage: Event

Manual operation: See "Tuning Mode" on page 41

[SENSe:]CONFigure:LIST:CONTinuous

This command configures the software to perform a frequency list measurement in continuous sweep mode.

Example: CONF:LIST:CONT

INIT

Selects and initiates a frequency list measurement.

Usage: Event

Manual operation: See "Tuning Mode" on page 41

[SENSe:]CONFigure:LIST:SINGle

This command configures the software to perform a measurement in single frequency tuning mode.

Example: CONF:LIST:SING

INIT

Selects and initiates a single frequency measurement.

Example: See Chapter 7.21, "Programming Example: Measuring a Noise

Figure", on page 188

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Usage: Event

Manual operation: See "Tuning Mode" on page 41

[SENSe:]FREQuency:CENTer <Frequency>

This command defines the center frequency.

Parameters:

<Frequency> The allowed range and f_{max} is specified in the data sheet.

*RST: fmax/2 Default unit: Hz

Example: FREQ:CENT 100 MHz

FREQ:CENT:STEP 10 MHz

FREQ:CENT UP

Sets the center frequency to 110 MHz.

Manual operation: See "Center" on page 42

[SENSe:]FREQuency:TABLe:DATA <Frequency>...

This command defines the contents of the frequency table.

The command overwrites the current contents of the frequency table.

Parameters:

<Frequency> Defines a frequency for each entry in the frequency table. A fre-

quency table can contain up to 10001 entries.

Range: 0 Hz to fmax

Default unit: HZ

Example: FREQ: TABL: DATA 100MHZ, 200MHZ, 300MHZ, 400MHZ,

500MHZ

Creates a frequency table with five entries.

Manual operation: See "Populate Table" on page 45

[SENSe:]FREQuency:LIST:DATA {<RFFrequency>, <LOFrequency>,

<IFFrequency>}...

Queries the RF, LO and IF frequency.

Parameters:

<RFFrequency> Default unit: Hz
<LOFrequency> Default unit: Hz
<IFFrequency> Default unit: Hz

Example: SENS: FREQ: LIST: DATA?

Manual operation: See "Populate Table" on page 45

[SENSe:]FREQuency:POINts <SweepPoints>

This command defines the number of measurement points analyzed during a sweep.

Parameters:

<SweepPoints> Range: 1 to 10001

*RST: 20

Example: SWE:POIN 100

Defines 100 measurement points.

Example: See Chapter 7.21, "Programming Example: Measuring a Noise

Figure", on page 188

Manual operation: See "(Measurement) Points" on page 42

See "(Measurement) Points" on page 44

[SENSe:]FREQuency:SINGle <Frequency>

This command defines the frequency for single frequency measurements.

Parameters:

<Frequency> The minimum and maximum frequency depend on the hard-

ware. Refer to the datasheet for details.

*RST: 100 MHz Default unit: HZ

Example: FREQ:SING 200MHZ

Defines a measurement frequency of 200 MHz.

Manual operation: See "Center" on page 42

See "Single (Frequency)" on page 43

[SENSe:]FREQuency:SINGle:COUPled <State>

Couples or decouples frequency selection to the contents of a sweep list.

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF | 0 | 1

OFF | 0

Decouples frequency selection

ON | 1

Couples frequency selection

*RST: 0

Example: SENS:FREQ:SING:COUP ON

Manual operation: See "Coupled to Sweep List" on page 43

[SENSe:]FREQuency:SPAN

This command defines the frequency span.

If you change the span, the application creates a new frequency list.

Parameters:

 Default unit: Hz

Example: FREQ:SPAN 500MHZ

Defines a span of 500 MHz.

Manual operation: See "Span" on page 42

[SENSe:]FREQuency:STARt <Frequency>

This command defines the start frequency.

If you change the start frequency, the application creates a new frequency list.

Parameters:

<Frequency> *RST: RST value

Default unit: HZ

Example: FREQ:STAR 900MHZ

Defines a start frequency of 900 MHz.

Example: See Chapter 7.21, "Programming Example: Measuring a Noise

Figure", on page 188

Manual operation: See "Start and Stop Frequency" on page 42

[SENSe:]FREQuency:STEP <Stepsize>

This command defines the frequency stepsize in the frequency table.

The stepsize corresponds to the distance from one measurement point to another.

If you change the stepsize, the application creates a new frequency list.

Parameters:

<Stepsize> Range: 0 Hz to span

*RST: 100 MHz

Default unit: HZ

Example: FREQ:STEP 100MHZ

Defines a stepsize of 100 MHz.

Manual operation: See "Step" on page 42

[SENSe:]FREQuency:STOP <Frequency>

This command defines the stop frequency.

If you change the stop frequency, the application creates a new frequency list.

Parameters:

<Frequency> *RST: RST value

Default unit: HZ

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Example: FREQ:STOP 900MHZ

Defines a stop frequency of 900 MHz.

Example: See Chapter 7.21, "Programming Example: Measuring a Noise

Figure", on page 188

Manual operation: See "Start and Stop Frequency" on page 42

7.8 Selecting DUT Characteristics

The following commands are necessary to define DUT characteristics.

[SENSe:]CONFigure:MODE:SYSTem:IF:FREQuency	111
[SENSe:]CONFigure:MODE:SYSTem:LO	111
[SENSe:]CONFigure:MODE:SYSTem:LO:FREQuency	112
[SENSe:]CONFigure:MODE:DUT	112
[SENSe:]CORRection:IREJection	112

[SENSe:]CONFigure:MODE:SYSTem:IF:FREQuency < Frequency >

This command defines the frequency for DUTs with a fixed IF.

Parameters:

<Frequency> Range: 0 Hz to 100 GHz

*RST: 10 MHz, if frequency converting mode has been

selected

Default unit: HZ

Example: CONF:MODE:SYST:IF:FREQ 1GHZ

Defines a fixed IF of 1 GHz.

Manual operation: See "IF Fixed" on page 46

[SENSe:]CONFigure:MODE:SYSTem:LO <LOType>

This command selects the type of local oscillator you are using.

The command is available for measurements on frequency converting DUTs [SENSe:]CONFigure:MODE:DUT().

Parameters:

<LOType> FIXed | VARiable

FIXed

The local oscillator is used as a fixed frequency source.

The IF is variable.

VARiable

The local oscillator is used as a variable frequency source.

The IF is fixed.

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Example: CONF:MODE:DUT DOWN

CONF:MODE:SYST:LO FIX

CONF: MODE: SYST: LO: FREQ 1GHZ

Selects a fixed LO frequency (= 1 GHz) on a down converting

DUT.

Manual operation: See "Mode" on page 46

[SENSe:]CONFigure:MODE:SYSTem:LO:FREQuency <LOFrequency>

This command defines the frequency for DUTs with a fixed LO.

Parameters:

<LOFrequency> Range: 0 Hz to 100 GHz

*RST: 10 MHz, if frequency converting mode has been

selected

Default unit: HZ

Example: CONF:MODE:SYST:LO:FREQ 1GHZ

Defines a fixed LO frequency of 1 GHz.

Manual operation: See "LO Fixed" on page 46

[SENSe:]CONFigure:MODE:DUT < DUTType>

This command selects the type of DUT you are testing.

Note that you have to use [SENSe:]CONFigure:MODE:SYSTem:LO to select if the LO or IF are fixed.

Parameters:

<DUTType> AMPLifier | DDOWnconv | DOWNconv | UPConv

AMPLifier

Measurements on fixed frequency DUTs.

DOWNconv

Measurements on down-converting DUTs.

UPConv

Measurements on up-converting DUTs.

*RST: AMPLifier

Example: CONF:MODE:DUT DOWN

Selects the measurement mode for a down-converting DUT.

Manual operation: See "Mode" on page 46

[SENSe:]CORRection:IREJection < ImageRejection >

This command defines the image frequency rejection for the DUT.

Parameters:

<ImageRejection> Range: 0 to 999.99

*RST: 999.99 Default unit: DB

Example: CORR: IREJ 0

Turns image rejection off.

Manual operation: See "Image Rejection" on page 46

7.9 Configuring the Noise Source

The following commands are necessary to define the noise source characteristics.

[SENSe:]CORRection:ENR:CALibration:SPOT:COLD	113
[SENSe:]CORRection:ENR:CALibration:SPOT:HOT	114
[SENSe:]CORRection:ENR:CALibration:MODE	114
[SENSe:]CORRection:ENR:CALibration:SPOT	114
[SENSe:]CORRection:ENR:CALibration:TABLe:SELect	115
[SENSe:]CORRection:ENR:CALibration:TYPE	115
[SENSe:]CORRection:ENR:COMMon	116
[SENSe:]CORRection:ENR[:MEASurement]:TABLe[:DATA]	116
[SENSe:]CORRection:ENR[:MEASurement]:TABLe:DELete	116
[SENSe:]CORRection:ENR[:MEASurement]:TABLe:LIST?	
[SENSe:]CORRection:ENR[:MEASurement]:TABLe:SELect	
[SENSe:]CORRection:ENR[:MEASurement]:TABLe:TEMPerature[:DATA]	117
[SENSe:]CORRection:ENR[:MEASurement]:TABLe:TEMPerature:DELete	117
[SENSe:]CORRection:ENR[:MEASurement]:TABLe:TEMPerature:LIST?	118
[SENSe:]CORRection:ENR[:MEASurement]:MODE	118
[SENSe:]CORRection:ENR[:MEASurement]:SPOT	118
[SENSe:]CORRection:ENR[:MEASurement]:TYPE	119
[SENSe:]CORRection:ENR[:MEASurement]:SPOT:COLD	119
[SENSe:]CORRection:ENR[:MEASurement]:SPOT:HOT	119
[SENSe:]CORRection:TEMPerature	120

[SENSe:]CORRection:ENR:CALibration:SPOT:COLD <Temperature>

This command defines a constant temperature of a resistor not supplied with power (T_{cold}) used during calibration.

The command is available when you have selected a noise source with resistor characteristics with [SENSe:] CORRection: ENR: CALibration: TYPE.

Parameters:

<Temperature > Temperature in degrees Kelvin.

*RST: 77 K Default unit: K

Example: CORR:ENR:CAL:TYPE RES

CORR:ENR:CAL:SPOT:COLD 100 Defines a cold temperature of 100 K.

Manual operation: See "Calibration" on page 49

[SENSe:]CORRection:ENR:CALibration:SPOT:HOT <Temperature>

This command defines a constant temperature of a resistor supplied with power (T_{hot}) used during calibration.

The command is available when you have selected a noise source with resistor characteristics with [SENSe:]CORRection:ENR:CALibration:TYPE.

Parameters:

<Temperature> Temperature in degrees Kelvin.

*RST: 77 K Default unit: K

Example: CORR:ENR:TYPE RES

CORR: ENR: CAL: SPOT: HOT 300 Defines a cold temperature of 300 K.

Manual operation: See "Calibration" on page 49

[SENSe:]CORRection:ENR:CALibration:MODE < Mode>

This command selects the ENR mode for the calibration.

This command is available when you use different noise sources for calibration and measurement ([SENSe:]CORRection:ENR:COMMon OFF).

Parameters:

<Mode> SPOT | TABLe

SPOT

Uses a constant ENR value for all measurement points (see [SENSe:]CORRection:ENR:CALibration:SPOT).

TABLe

Uses the contents of the ENR table.

*RST: SPOT

Example: CORR:ENR:CAL:MODE SPOT

Uses a constant ENR value for all measurement points.

Manual operation: See "Calibration" on page 49

[SENSe:]CORRection:ENR:CALibration:SPOT <ENR>

This command defines the constant ENR for all measurement points during calibration.

This command is available when you use different noise sources for calibration and measurement ([SENSe:]CORRection:ENR:COMMon OFF).

Parameters:

<ENR> Range: -999.99 to 999.99

*RST: 15 Default unit: DB

Example: CORR:ENR:CAL:MODE SPOT

CORR:ENR:CAL:SPOT 30

Selects constant ENR value mode and defines an ENR of 30 dB

for all measurement points.

Manual operation: See "Calibration" on page 49

[SENSe:]CORRection:ENR:CALibration:TABLe:SELect < TableName >

This command selects an ENR or temperature table for calibration.

Note that the contents of the table are independent of whether you use it for calibration or the actual measurement. When you want to edit a table, regardless if you want to use it later for a measurement or for calibration, you have to use [SENSe:

] CORRection: ENR [: MEASurement]: TABLe: SELect. This command only selects a table for calibration.

This command is available when you use different noise sources for calibration and measurement ([SENSe:]CORRection:ENR:COMMon OFF).

Parameters:

<TableName> String containing the table name.

Example: CORR:ENR:MEAS:TABL:SEL 'ENRTable'

Selects a table called 'ENRTable'.

Manual operation: See "Calibration" on page 49

See "New" on page 50

[SENSe:]CORRection:ENR:CALibration:TYPE <Type>

This command selects the type of noise source you are using for the calibration.

Parameters:

<Type> DIODe

Selects a noise source with diode characteristics.

RESistor

Selects a noise source with resistor characteristics.

When you select this noise source type, the application automatically selects the manual measurement mode (see [SENSe:

]CONFigure:CONTrol).

*RST: DIODe

Example: CORR:ENR:CAL:TYPE RES

Selects a noise source with resistor characteristics.

Manual operation: See "Noise Source" on page 48

[SENSe:]CORRection:ENR:COMMon <State>

This command turns the use of a common ENR on or off.

For more information see "Common Noise Source" on page 49.

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

Example: CORR:ENR:COMM ON

Turns the use of a common ENR on.

Manual operation: See "Common Noise Source" on page 49

[SENSe:]CORRection:ENR[:MEASurement]:TABLe[:DATA] {<FrequencyENR>, <ENR>}...

This command defines the contents of the currently selected ENR table.

Define an ENR for all measurement points.

Each entry of the ENR table consists of one measurement point and the corresponding ENR. The individual values are separated by commas or spaces. The table can contain up to 10001 entries.

If you create a new table with this command, it overwrites the current entries of the frequency list.

To select the ENR table to edit, use [SENSe:]CORRection:ENR[:MEASurement]: TABLe[:DATA].

Parameters:

<FrequencyENR> Frequency of the measurement point.

Range: 0 Hz to 999.99 GHz

Default unit: HZ

<ENR> Default unit: DB

Example: CORR:ENR:MEAS:TABL:DATA 1MHZ, 10, 2MHZ, 12

Defines a new ENR table with two measurement points.

Example: See Chapter 7.21, "Programming Example: Measuring a Noise

Figure", on page 188

Manual operation: See "New" on page 50

See "Edit" on page 51 See "Edit Table" on page 51

[SENSe:]CORRection:ENR[:MEASurement]:TABLe:DELete < Table Name >

This command deletes a temperature table.

Setting parameters:

<TableName> String containing the name of the table.

Example: CORR:ENR:MEAS:TABL:TEMP:DEL 'TemperatureTable'

Deletes the table with the name 'TemperatureTable'.

Usage: Setting only

Manual operation: See "Delete" on page 51

[SENSe:]CORRection:ENR[:MEASurement]:TABLe:LIST?

Return values:

<Tables> st>

Usage: Query only

[SENSe:]CORRection:ENR[:MEASurement]:TABLe:SELect < TableName >

This command selects an ENR or temperature table for the actual measurement.

When you want to edit a table, regardless if you want to use it later for a measurement or for calibration, you have to use this command. [SENSe:]CORRection:ENR: CALibration:TABLe:SELect only selects a table for calibration.

Parameters:

<TableName>

Manual operation: See "Measurement" on page 48

See "New" on page 50 See "Edit" on page 51

[SENSe:]CORRection:ENR[:MEASurement]:TABLe:TEMPerature[:DATA]

{<Frequency>, <Thot>, <Tcold>}...

Parameters:

<Frequency> Default unit: HZ
<Thot> Default unit: K
<Tcold> Default unit: K

Manual operation: See "New" on page 50

See "Edit" on page 51 See "Edit Table" on page 51

[SENSe:]CORRection:ENR[:MEASurement]:TABLe:TEMPerature:DELete

<TableName>

This command deletes a temperature table.

Setting parameters:

<TableName> String containing the name of the table.

Example: CORR:ENR:MEAS:TABL:TEMP:DEL 'TemperatureTable'

Deletes the table with the name 'TemperatureTable'.

Usage: Setting only

Manual operation: See "Delete" on page 51

[SENSe:]CORRection:ENR[:MEASurement]:TABLe:TEMPerature:LIST?

This command queries all temperature tables available in the application.

Return values:

<Tables> t>

String containing the names of the tables as a comma separated

list.

Example: CORR:ENR:TABL:TEMP:LIST

would return, e.g.

'Table1, Table2, Table3'

Usage: Query only

[SENSe:]CORRection:ENR[:MEASurement]:MODE < Mode>

This command selects the ENR mode for the actual measurement.

Parameters:

<Mode> SPOT | TABLe

SPOT

Uses a constant ENR value for all measurement points (see [SENSe:]CORRection:ENR[:MEASurement]:SPOT).

TABLe

Uses the contents of the ENR table.

*RST: SPOT

Example: CORR:ENR:MODE SPOT

Uses a constant ENR value for all measurement points.

Example: See Chapter 7.21, "Programming Example: Measuring a Noise

Figure", on page 188

Manual operation: See "Measurement" on page 48

[SENSe:]CORRection:ENR[:MEASurement]:SPOT <ENR>

This command defines the constant ENR for all measurement points during the actual measurement.

Parameters:

<ENR> *RST: 15

Default unit: DB

Example: CORR:ENR:MODE SPOT

CORR: ENR: SPOT 30

Selects constant ENR value mode and defines an ENR of 30 dB

for all measurement points.

Manual operation: See "Measurement" on page 48

[SENSe:]CORRection:ENR[:MEASurement]:TYPE <Type>

This command selects the type of noise source you are using for the measurement.

Parameters:

<Type> DIODe

Selects a noise source with diode characteristics.

RESistor

Selects a noise source with resistor characteristics.

When you select this noise source type, the application automatically selects the manual measurement mode (see [SENSe:

]CONFigure:CONTrol).

*RST: DIODe

Example: CORR:ENR:TYPE RES

Selects a noise source with resistor characteristics.

Manual operation: See "Noise Source" on page 48

See "Noise Source" on page 50

[SENSe:]CORRection:ENR[:MEASurement]:SPOT:COLD <Temperature>

This command defines a constant temperature of a resistor not supplied with power (T_{cold}) used during measurements.

The command is available when you have selected a noise source with resistor characteristics with [SENSe:]CORRection:ENR[:MEASurement]:TYPE.

Parameters:

<Temperature> Temperature in degrees Kelvin.

*RST: 77 K Default unit: K

Example: CORR:ENR:TYPE RES

CORR:ENR:SPOT:COLD 100

Defines a cold temperature of 100 K.

Manual operation: See "Measurement" on page 48

[SENSe:]CORRection:ENR[:MEASurement]:SPOT:HOT <Temperature>

This command defines a constant temperature of a resistor supplied with power (T_{hot}) used during measurements.

The command is available when you have selected a noise source with resistor characteristics with [SENSe:]CORRection:ENR[:MEASurement]:TYPE.

Parameters:

<Temperature > Temperature in degrees Kelvin.

*RST: 77 K Default unit: K

Example: CORR:ENR:TYPE RES

CORR:ENR:SPOT:HOT 300

Defines a cold temperature of 300 K.

Manual operation: See "Measurement" on page 48

[SENSe:]CORRection:TEMPerature < Temperature >

This command defines the room temperature of the measurement environment. The temperature is taken into account when calculating noise results.

Parameters:

<Temperature> Range: 278.15 to 318.15

*RST: 293 Default unit: K

Example: CORR: TEMP 291.50

Specifies a room temperature of 291.50 Kelvin (18.5 C).

Manual operation: See "Temperature" on page 49

7.10 Configuring Additional Loss

The following commands are necessary to define loss resulting from equipment in the measurement setup.

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[SENSe:]CORRection:LOSS:OUTPut:TEMPe	rature

[SENSe:]CORRection:LOSS:CALibration:MODE < Mode>

This command selects the input loss mode.

Parameters:

<Mode> SPOT | TABLe

SPOT

Uses a constant calibration loss value for all measurement points (see [SENSe:]CORRection:LOSS:CALibration:

SPOT on page 121).

TABLe

Uses the contents of the calibration loss table.

*RST: SPOT

Example: CORR:LOSS:INP:MODE SPOT

CORR:LOSS:INP:SPOT 10

Selects constant calibration loss mode and defines an input loss

of 10 dB for all measurement points.

Manual operation: See "Calibration Loss" on page 55

[SENSe:]CORRection:LOSS:CALibration:SPOT <Loss>

This command defines a constant calibration loss for all measurement points.

Parameters:

<Loss> Range: -999.99 to 999.99

*RST: 0 dB Default unit: dB

Example: CORR:LOSS:INP:MODE SPOT

CORR:LOSS:INP:SPOT 10

Selects constant calibration loss mode and defines an input loss

of 10 dB for all measurement points.

Manual operation: See "Calibration Loss" on page 55

[SENSe:]CORRection:LOSS:CALibration:TABLe:DELete < TableName >

This command deletes a calibration loss table.

Setting parameters:

<TableName> String containing the name of the table.

Example: CORR:LOSS:CAL:TABL:DEL 'CalibrationLoss'

Deletes the table with the name 'CalibrationLoss'.

Usage: Setting only

Manual operation: See "Delete" on page 57

[SENSe:]CORRection:LOSS:CALibration:TABLe:LIST?

This command queries all calibration loss tables available in the application.

Example: CORR:LOSS:CAL:TABL:LIST?

Result:

'Table1, Table2, Table3'

Usage: Query only

[SENSe:]CORRection:LOSS:CALibration:TABLe:SELect < TableName >

This command selects a calibration loss table.

Parameters:

<TableName> String containing the table name.

Example: CORR:LOSS:CAL:TABL:SEL 'CalibrationLoss'

Selects a table called CalibrationLoss'.

Manual operation: See "Calibration Loss" on page 55

[SENSe:]CORRection:LOSS:CALibration:TABLe[:DATA] {<Frequency>, <Loss>}...

This command defines the contents of the currently selected calibration loss table.

Each entry of the loss table consists of one measurement point and the corresponding loss. The table can contain up to 10001 entries.

If you create a new table with this command, it overwrites the current entries of the loss table.

Parameters:

<Frequency> Frequency of the measurement point.

Range: 0 Hz to 999.99 GHz

Default unit: HZ

<Loss> Loss of the measurement point.

Range: -999.99 GHz to 999.99 GHz

Default unit: DB

Example: CORR:LOSS:CAL:TABL 1MHz,10,2MHz,12

Defines a new calibration loss table with two measurement

points.

Manual operation: See "New" on page 57

See "Edit" on page 57

[SENSe:]CORRection:LOSS:CALibration:TEMPerature < Temperature >

The specified temperature at the time of measurement is considered in the loss calculation.

Parameters:

<Temperature> Default unit: K

Example: SENS:CORR:LOSS:CAL:TEMP 296.5

Calibration loss is corrected for a temperature of 296.5 K

(23.35° C).

Manual operation: See "Calibration Loss" on page 55

[SENSe:]CORRection:LOSS:INPut:MODE < Mode>

This command selects the input loss mode.

Parameters:

<Mode> SPOT | TABLe

SPOT

Uses a constant input loss value for all measurement points

(see [SENSe:]CORRection:LOSS:INPut:SPOT

on page 123).

TABLe

Uses the contents of the input loss table.

*RST: SPOT

Example: CORR:LOSS:INP:MODE SPOT

Selects constant input loss.

Manual operation: See "Input Loss" on page 54

[SENSe:]CORRection:LOSS:INPut:SPOT <Loss>

This command defines a constant input loss for all measurement points.

Parameters:

<Loss> Range: -999.99 to 999.99

*RST: 0 dB Default unit: DB

Example: CORR:LOSS:INP:MODE SPOT

CORR:LOSS:INP:SPOT 10

Selects constant input loss mode and defines an input loss of 10

dB for all measurement points.

Manual operation: See "Input Loss" on page 54

[SENSe:]CORRection:LOSS:INPut:TABLe[:DATA] {<Frequency>, <Loss>}...

This command defines the contents of the currently selected input loss table.

Each entry of the loss table consists of one measurement point and the corresponding loss. The table can contain up to 10001 entries.

The table should contain an input loss for all measurement points.

If you create a new table with this command, it will overwrite the current entries of the loss table.

Parameters:

<Frequency> Frequency of the measurement point.

Range: 0 dB to 999.99 dB

Default unit: HZ

<Loss> Loss of the measurement point.

Range: -999.99 dB to 999.99 dB

Default unit: DB

Example: CORR:LOSS:INP:TABL 1MHz,10,2MHz,12

Defines a new input loss table with two measurement points.

Manual operation: See "Edit Table" on page 51

See "New" on page 57 See "Edit" on page 57

[SENSe:]CORRection:LOSS:INPut:TABLe:DELete < TableName >

This command deletes an input loss table.

Setting parameters:

<TableName> String containing the name of the table.

Example: CORR:LOSS:INP:TABL:DEL 'InputLoss'

Deletes the table with the name 'InputLoss'.

Usage: Setting only

Manual operation: See "Delete" on page 57

[SENSe:]CORRection:LOSS:INPut:TABLe:LIST?

This command queries all input loss tables available in the application.

Example: CORR:LOSS:INP:TABL:LIST?

Result:

'Table1, Table2, Table3'

Usage: Query only

[SENSe:]CORRection:LOSS:INPut:TABLe:SELect < TableName >

This command selects an input loss table.

Parameters:

<TableName> String containing the table name.

Example: CORR:LOSS:INP:TABL:SEL 'InputLoss'

Selects a table called 'InputLoss'.

Manual operation: See "Input Loss" on page 54

[SENSe:]CORRection:LOSS:INPut:TEMPerature < Temperature >

The specified temperature at the time of measurement is considered in the loss calculation.

Parameters:

<Temperature> Default unit: K

Example: SENS:CORR:LOSS:INP:TEMP 296.5

Input loss is corrected for a temperature of 296.5 K (23.35° C).

Manual operation: See "Input Loss" on page 54

[SENSe:]CORRection:LOSS:OUTPut:MODE < Mode>

This command selects the output loss mode.

Parameters:

<Mode> SPOT | TABLe

SPOT

Uses a constant output loss value for all measurement points

(see [SENSe:]CORRection:LOSS:OUTPut:SPOT

on page 125).

TABLe

Uses the contents of the output loss table.

*RST: SPOT

Example: CORR:LOSS:OUTP:MODE SPOT

Selects constant output loss.

Manual operation: See "Output Loss" on page 54

[SENSe:]CORRection:LOSS:OUTPut:SPOT <Loss>

This command defines a constant output loss for all measurement points.

Parameters:

<Loss> Range: -999.99 to 999.99

*RST: 0 dB Default unit: DB

Example: CORR:LOSS:OUTP:MODE SPOT

CORR:LOSS:OUTP:SPOT 10

Selects constant output loss mode and defines an output loss of

10 dB for all measurement points.

Manual operation: See "Output Loss" on page 54

[SENSe:]CORRection:LOSS:OUTPut:TABLe[:DATA] {<Frequency>, <Loss>}...

This command defines the contents of the currently selected output loss table.

The table should contain an output loss for all measurement points.

Each entry of the loss table consists of one measurement point and the corresponding loss. The table can contain up to 10001 entries.

If you create a new table with this command, it will overwrite the current entries of the frequency list.

Parameters:

<Frequency> Frequency of the measurement point.

Range: 0 dB to 999.99 dB

Default unit: HZ

<Loss> Loss of the measurement point.

Range: -999.99 dB to 999.99 dB

Default unit: DB

Example: CORR:LOSS:OUTP:TABL 1MHz, 10, 2MHz, 12

Defines a new output loss table with two measurement points.

Manual operation: See "Edit Table" on page 51

See "New" on page 57 See "Edit" on page 57

[SENSe:]CORRection:LOSS:OUTPut:TABLe:DELete < TableName >

Setting parameters:

<TableName>

Usage: Setting only

Manual operation: See "Delete" on page 57

[SENSe:]CORRection:LOSS:OUTPut:TABLe:LIST?

This command queries all output loss tables available in the application.

Example: CORR:LOSS:OUTP:TABL:LIST?

Result:

'Table1, Table2, Table3'

Usage: Query only

[SENSe:]CORRection:LOSS:OUTPut:TABLe:SELect < Table Name >

Parameters: <TableName>

Manual operation: See "Output Loss" on page 54

[SENSe:]CORRection:LOSS:OUTPut:TEMPerature < Temperature >

The specified temperature at the time of measurement is considered in the loss calculation.

Parameters:

<Temperature> numeric value

Default unit: K

Example: SENS:CORR:LOSS:OUTP:TEMP 296.5

Output loss is corrected for a temperature of 296.5 K (23.35° C).

Manual operation: See "Output Loss" on page 54

7.11 Configuring the Analyzer

The following commands are necessary to configure the analyzer.

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[SENSe:]BWIDth[:RESolution] <Bandwidth> [SENSe:]BANDwidth[:RESolution] <Bandwidth>

This command defines the resolution bandwidth and decouples the resolution bandwidth from the span.

Example: BAND 1 MHz

Sets the resolution bandwidth to 1 MHz

Manual operation: See "Resolution Bandwidth (RBW)" on page 58

[SENSe:]CONFigure:CORRection

This command configures the software to perform calibration measurements.

Using INITiate<n>[:IMMediate] then initiates a calibration instead of the actual measurement, until you deliberately select one of the normal measurements again with one of the following commands.

• [SENSe:]CONFigure:FREQuency:CONTinuous

[SENSe:]CONFigure:FREQuency:SINGle

• [SENSe:]CONFigure:LIST:CONTinuous

• [SENSe:]CONFigure:LIST:SINGle

Note that calibration data is used only when the second stage correction mode has been turned on with [SENSe:]CORRection[:STATe].

Example: //Turn on second stage correction

CORR ON

//Configure application to run calibration measurement

CONF: CORR

//Initiate calibration with synchronization to end of measurement

INIT; *OPC

//Return to normal measurement (single sweep list mode)

CONF:LIST:SING

//Initiate a calibrated measurement with synchronization to end

of measurement
INIT; *OPC

Example: See Chapter 7.21, "Programming Example: Measuring a Noise

Figure", on page 188

Usage: Event

Manual operation: See "2nd Stage Correction" on page 58

See "Calibrate" on page 68

[SENSe:]CORRection[:STATe] <State>

This command includes or excludes calibration data in the actual measurement (see "2nd Stage Correction" on page 58 for more information).

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

*RST: 0

Example: CORR ON

Includes calibration data in the measurement.

Example: See Chapter 7.21, "Programming Example: Measuring a Noise

Figure", on page 188

Manual operation: See "2nd Stage Correction" on page 58

[SENSe:]CORRection:RECall < recallfilepath>

Sets the calibration results recall filepath and recalls the calibration results.

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Setting parameters:

<recallfilepath>

Example: SENS:CORR:REC 'filepath'

This command will recall the calibration results from a selected

file with extension .dfl.

Usage: Setting only

Manual operation: See "Calibration Recall" on page 32

[SENSe:]CORRection:SAVE <savefilepath>

Queries and sets the calibration results save filepath and if set saves the calibration results.

Parameters:

<savefilepath>

Example: SENS:CORR:SAVE?

This will report an error -221 if calibration results are not available for saving. If calibration results are available the command will report a suggested filepath which includes the calibration

results timestamp.

SENS:CORR:SAVE 'filepath'

This will report an error if calibration results are not available for saving. The command will save the calibration results to a file-

name with extension . ${\tt dfl.}$

Manual operation: See "Calibration Save" on page 32

[SENSe:]SWEep:COUNt <Averages>

This command defines the number of measurements that are used to average the results.

Parameters:

<Averages> Number of measurements that are performed at a single fre-

quency before average results are displayed.

If you set an average of 0 or 1, the application performs a single

measurement at each frequency.

Range: 0 to 32767

*RST: 1

Example: SWE:COUN 10

The application averages 10 measurements before it displays

the results.

Manual operation: See "Average" on page 59

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[SENSe:]SWEep:TIME <Time>

This command defines the sweep time. It automatically decouples the time from any other settings.

Parameters:

<Time> refer to data sheet

*RST: depends on current settings (determined automati-

cally)

Default unit: S

Manual operation: See "Sweep Time" on page 59

[SENSe:]SWEep:TIME:AUTO <State>

If enabled, the sweep time is automatically selected, depending on the current frequency of the sweep point, as defined in the frequency table (see Chapter 5.2.3, "Using a Frequency Table", on page 44).

If disabled, the value defined by [SENSe:] SWEEP:TIME is used.

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF | 0 | 1

OFF | 0

Switches the function off

ON | 1

Switches the function on

*RST: C

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:RLEVel <ReferenceLevel>

This command defines the reference level (for all traces in all windows).

Suffix:

<n> irrelevant <t> irrelevant

Parameters:

<ReferenceLevel> Range: see datasheet

*RST: -30 dBm Default unit: dBm

Example: DISP:TRAC:Y:RLEV -60dBm

Manual operation: See "Ref Level" on page 59

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:RLEVel:AUTO <State>

This command turns automatic determination of the reference level on and off.

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Suffix:

<n> 1..n <t> 1..n

irrelevant

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

Example: DISP:TRAC:Y:RLEV:AUTO ON

Turns on automatic level detection.

Manual operation: See "Ref Level" on page 59

INPut<ip>:ATTenuation < Attenuation>

This command defines the total attenuation for RF input.

If you set the attenuation manually, it is no longer coupled to the reference level, but the reference level is coupled to the attenuation. Thus, if the current reference level is not compatible with an attenuation that has been set manually, the command also adjusts the reference level.

Suffix:

<ip> 1 | 2

irrelevant

Parameters:

<Attenuation> Range: see data sheet

Increment: 5 dB (with optional electr. attenuator: 1 dB)

*RST: 10 dB (AUTO is set to ON)

Default unit: DB

Example: INP:ATT 30dB

Defines a 30 dB attenuation and decouples the attenuation from

the reference level.

Manual operation: See "RF Attenuation" on page 60

INPut:GAIN:STATe <State>

This command turns the preamplifier on and off.

If activated, the input signal is amplified by 20 dB.

If option R&S FPS-B22 is installed, the preamplifier is only active below 7 GHz.

If option R&S FPS-B24 is installed, the preamplifier is active for all frequencies.

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF | 0 | 1

OFF | 0

Switches the function off

ON | 1

Switches the function on

Example: INP:GAIN:STAT ON

Switches on 20 dB preamplification.

Manual operation: See "Preamplifier (option B22/B24)" on page 60

SYSTem:CONFigure:DUT:GAIN <Gain>

This command defines the expected gain of the DUT.

The application uses the gain for automatic reference level detection.

Parameters:

<Gain> Range: 10 to 1000

*RST: 30 Default unit: DB

Example: SYST:CONF:DUT:GAIN 25

Defines gain of 25 dB.

Manual operation: See "Auto Level Range" on page 60

SYSTem:CONFigure:DUT:STIMe <SettlingTime>

This command defines the settling time of the noise source.

Parameters:

<SettlingTime> Range: 0 s to 20 s

*RST: 50 ms Default unit: S

Example: SYST:CONF:DUT:STIM 1 s

Defines a settling time of 1 second.

Manual operation: See "Settling Time" on page 59

7.12 Using the Uncertainty Calculator

The following commands are necessary to work with the measurement uncertainty calculator.

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CALCulate<n>:UNCertainty:COMMon <State>

This command turns matching of the noise source characteristics used during calibration and measurement on and off.

This command is available when you use different noise sources for calibration and measurement ([SENSe:]CORRection:ENR:COMMon OFF).

Suffix:

<n> 1..n

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

*RST: unavailable

Example: CALC:UNC:COMM ON

Applies the values of the calibration noise source to those of the

measurement noise source.

Manual operation: See "Common Source for Meas and Cal" on page 63

CALCulate<n>:UNCertainty:DATA:FREQuency <Frequency>

This command defines the frequency for which the uncertainty should be calculated.

This command is available if you have turned automatic determination of the DUT characteristics off with CALCulate<n>: UNCertainty: DATA: FREQuency.

Suffix:

<n> 1..n

Parameters:

<Frequency> Frequency of the DUT.

*RST: 1 GHz Default unit: HZ

Example: CALC:UNC:DATA:FREQ 100MHZ

Defines a frequency of 100 MHz.

Manual operation: See "Use Measurement Values" on page 64

CALCulate<n>:UNCertainty:DATA:GAIN <Gain>

This command defines the gain of the DUT.

This command is available if you have turned automatic determination of the DUT characteristics off with CALCulate<n>:UNCertainty:DATA:GAIN.

Suffix:

<n> 1..n

Parameters:

<Gain> Gain of the DUT.

*RST: 0 dB Default unit: DB

Example: CALC:UNC:DATA:GAIN -5DB

Defines a DUT gain of -5 dB.

Manual operation: See "Use Measurement Values" on page 64

CALCulate<n>:UNCertainty:DATA:NOISe <NoiseLevel>

This command defines the noise level of the DUT.

This command is available if you have turned automatic determination of the DUT characteristics off with CALCulate<n>:UNCertainty:DATA:RESults.

Suffix:

<n> 1..n

Parameters:

<NoiseLevel> Noise level of the DUT.

*RST: 0 dB Default unit: DB

Example: CALC:UNC:DATA:NOIS 10DB

Defines a DUT noise level of 10 dB.

Manual operation: See "Use Measurement Values" on page 64

CALCulate<n>:UNCertainty:DATA:RESults <State>

This command turns automatic determination of the DUT characteristics for the calculation of the uncertainty on and off.

Suffix:

<n> 1..n

Parameters:

<State> ON | 1

The application calculates the uncertainty with the DUT characteristics (noise figure, gain and frequency) resulting from the

noise figure measurement.

OFF | 0

The application calculates the uncertainty with the DUT characteristics (noise figure, gain and frequency) based on the values

you have defined manually.

Example: CALC:UNC:DATA:RES ON

Includes the uncertainty in the results displays.

CALCulate<n>:UNCertainty:ENR:CALibration:UNCertainty < Uncertainty>

This command defines the uncertainty of a calibration noise source.

This command is available when [SENSe:]CORRection:ENR:COMMon and [SENSe:]CORRection:ENR:COMMon are off.

Suffix:

<n> 1..n

Parameters:

<Uncertainty> Uncertainty value of the noise source.

Refer to the data sheet of the noise source to determine its

uncertainty.

*RST: 0.1 dB Default unit: DB

Example: CALC:UNC:ENR:CAL:UNC 0.05

Defines an uncertainty of 0.05 dB.

Manual operation: See "ENR Uncert(ainty)" on page 63

CALCulate<n>:UNCertainty:ENR:CALibration:UNCertainty:COLD <Uncertainty>

Suffix:

<n> 1..n

Parameters: <Uncertainty>

Manual operation: See "Temperature Uncert(ainty)" on page 63

CALCulate<n>:UNCertainty:ENR:CALibration:UNCertainty:HOT <Uncertainty>

This command defines the uncertainty of a calibration noise source.

This command is available when [SENSe:]CORRection:ENR:COMMon and CALCulate<n>:UNCertainty:COMMon are off.

Suffix:

<n> 1..n

Parameters:

<Uncertainty> Hot temperature uncertainty value of the noise source.

Refer to the data sheet of the noise source to determine its

uncertainty.

*RST: 0 K

Example: CALC:UNC:ENR:CAL:UNC:COLD 5 K

Defines a high temperature uncertainty of 5 K.

Manual operation: See "Temperature Uncert(ainty)" on page 63

CALCulate<n>:UNCertainty:ENR:UNCertainty < Uncertainty>

This command defines the uncertainty of a noise source.

If the noise sources during calibration and measurement are different, the command defines the uncertainty of the measurement noise source.

Suffix:

<n> 1..n

Parameters:

<Uncertainty> Uncertainty value of the noise source.

Refer to the data sheet of the noise source to determine its

uncertainty.

*RST: 0.1 dB Default unit: DB

Example: CALC:UNC:ENR:UNC 0.05

Defines an uncertainty of 0.05 dB.

Manual operation: See "ENR Uncert(ainty)" on page 63

CALCulate<n>:UNCertainty:ENR:UNCertainty:COLD <Uncertainty>

This command defines the uncertainty of a resistor.

If the noise sources during calibration and measurement are different, the command defines the uncertainty of the measurement noise source.

Suffix:

<n> 1..n

Parameters:

<Uncertainty> Cold temperature uncertainty value of the noise source.

Refer to the data sheet of the noise source to determine its

uncertainty.

*RST: 0 K

Example: CALC:UNC:ENR:UNC:COLD 10

Defines an low temperature uncertainty of 10 K.

Manual operation: See "Temperature Uncert(ainty)" on page 63

CALCulate<n>:UNCertainty:ENR:UNCertainty:HOT <Uncertainty>

This command defines the uncertainty of a resistor.

If the noise sources during calibration and measurement are different, the command defines the uncertainty of the measurement noise source.

Suffix:

<n> 1..n

Parameters:

<Uncertainty> Hot temperature uncertainty value of the noise source.

Refer to the data sheet of the noise source to determine its

uncertainty.

*RST: 0 K

Example: CALC:UNC:ENR:UNC:HOT 10

Defines an high temperature uncertainty of 10 K.

CALCulate<n>:UNCertainty:MATCh:DUT:IN:RL <ReturnLoss>

This command defines the return loss at the DUT input.

Suffix:

<n> 1..n

Parameters:

<ReturnLoss> *RST: 50.0 dB

Default unit: DB

Example: CALC:UNC:MATC:DUT:IN:RL 25DB

Defines a return loss of 25 dB.

Manual operation: See "Input / Output Match" on page 64

CALCulate<n>:UNCertainty:MATCh:DUT:IN[:VSWR] <VSWR>

This command defines the VSWR at the DUT input.

Suffix:

<n> 1..n

Parameters:

<VSWR> *RST: 1.0

Example: CALC:UNC:MATC:DUT:IN 1.1

Defines a VSWR of 1.1 at the DUT input.

Manual operation: See "Input / Output Match" on page 64

CALCulate<n>:UNCertainty:MATCh:DUT:OUT:RL <ReturnLoss>

This command defines the returns loss at the DUT output.

Suffix:

<n> 1..n

Parameters:

<ReturnLoss> *RST: 50.0 dB

Default unit: DB

Example: CALC:UNC:MATC:DUT:RL 40DB

Defines a return loss of 40 dB at the DUT output.

Manual operation: See "Input / Output Match" on page 64

CALCulate<n>:UNCertainty:MATCh:DUT:OUT[:VSWR] <VSWR>

This command defines the VSWR at the DUT output.

Suffix:

<n> 1..n

Parameters:

<VSWR> *RST: 1.0

Example: CALC:UNC:MATC:DUT:OUT 2.0

Defines a VSWR of 2.0 at the DUT output.

Manual operation: See "Input / Output Match" on page 64

CALCulate<n>:UNCertainty:MATCh:PREamp:RL <ReturnLoss>

This command defines the return loss at the input of the preamplifier.

Suffix:

<n> 1..n

Parameters:

<ReturnLoss> *RST: 13.98 dB

Default unit: DB

Example: CALC:UNC:MATC:PRE:RL 14.5DB

Defines a return loss of 14.5 dB.

CALCulate<n>:UNCertainty:MATCh:PREamp[:VSWR] <VSWR>

This command defines the VSWR at the input of the preamplifier.

The command is available if you have turned on the preamplifier with CALCulate < n >: UNCertainty: PREamp: STATe on page 141.

Suffix:

<n> 1..n

Parameters:

<VSWR> *RST: 1.5

Example: CALC:UNC:MATC:PRE 1.8

Defines a VSWR of 1.8.

CALCulate<n>:UNCertainty:MATCh:SOURce:CALibration[:VSWR] <VSWR>

This command defines the VSWR at the calibration noise source output.

This command is available when [SENSe:]CORRection:ENR:COMMon and CALCulate<n>:UNCertainty:COMMon are off.

Suffix:

<n> 1..n

Parameters:

<VSWR> *RST: 1.15

Example: CALC:UNC:MATC:SOUR:CAL 1.4

Defines a VSWR of 1.4.

Manual operation: See "Output Match" on page 63

CALCulate<n>:UNCertainty:MATCh:SOURce:CALibration:RL <ReturnLoss>

This command defines the return loss at the calibration noise source output.

This command is available when [SENSe:]CORRection:ENR:COMMon and CALCulate<n>:UNCertainty:COMMon are off.

Suffix:

<n> 1..n

Parameters:

<ReturnLoss> *RST: 23.13 dB

Default unit: DB

Example: CALC:UNC:MATC:SOUR:CAL:RL 20DB

Defines a return loss of 20 dB.

Manual operation: See "Output Match" on page 63

CALCulate<n>:UNCertainty:MATCh:SOURce:RL <ReturnLoss>

This command defines the return loss at the noise source output.

If the noise sources during calibration and measurement are different, the command defines the uncertainty of the measurement noise source.

Suffix:

<n> 1..n

Parameters:

<ReturnLoss> *RST: 23.13 dB

Default unit: DB

Example: CALC:UNC:MATC:SOUR:RL 20DB

Defines a return loss of 20 dB.

Manual operation: See "Output Match" on page 63

CALCulate<n>:UNCertainty:MATCh:SOURce[:VSWR] < VSWR>

This command defines the VSWR at the noise source output.

If the noise sources during calibration and measurement are different, the command defines the uncertainty of the measurement noise source.

Suffix:

<n> 1..n

Parameters:

<VSWR> *RST: 1.15

Example: CALC:UNC:MATC:SOUR 1.4

Defines a VSWR of 1.4.

CALCulate<n>:UNCertainty:PREamp:GAIN <Gain>

This command define the gain of an external preamplifier that may be part of the test setup.

Suffix:

<n> 1..n

Parameters:

<Gain> Gain of the preamplifier.

Refer to the data sheet of the preamplifier to determine its gain.

*RST: 20 dB Default unit: DB

Example: CALC:UNC:PRE:GAIN 15DB

Defines a gain of 15 dB.

Manual operation: See "Preamplifier Gain (PA Gain)" on page 66

CALCulate<n>:UNCertainty:PREamp:NOISe <NoiseLevel>

This command defines the noise level of an external preamplifier that may be part of the test setup.

Suffix:

<n> 1..n

Parameters:

<NoiseLevel> Noise level of the preamplifier.

Refer to the data sheet of the preamplfier to determine its noise

level.

*RST: 5 dB Default unit: DB

Example: CALC:UNC:PRE:NOIS 10DB

Defines a noise level of 10 dB.

Manual operation: See "Preamplifier noise figure (PA NF)" on page 65

CALCulate<n>:UNCertainty:PREamp:STATe <State>

This command includes or excludes an external preamplifier from the uncertainty calculation.

If the test setup uses an external preamplifier, you also have to define its noise figure and gain values.

Suffix:

<n> 1..n

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

*RST: 0

Example: CALC:UNC:PRE:STAT ON

Turns the preamplifier on.

Manual operation: See "External Preamplifier (Ext PA)" on page 65

CALCulate<n>:UNCertainty[:RESult]?

This command queries the uncertainty of noise figure results.

Suffix:

<n> 1..n

Return values:

<Uncertainty> Measurement uncertainty in dB.

Example: CALC:UNC?

Queries the uncertainty.

Usage: Query only

Manual operation: See "Use Measurement Values" on page 64

CALCulate<n>:UNCertainty:SANalyzer:GAIN:UNCertainty? <Uncertainty>

This command queries the uncertainty value of the spectrum analyzer's internal gain.

Suffix:

<n> 1..n

Query parameters:

<Uncertainty> Gain uncertainty of the spectrum analyzer in dB.

Default unit: DB

Example: CALC:UNC:SAN:GAIN:UNC?

Queries the gain uncertainty.

CALCulate<n>:UNCertainty:SANalyzer:NOISe:UNCertainty? <Uncertainty>

This command queries the uncertainty value of the spectrum analyzer's internal noise.

Suffix:

<n> 1..n

Query parameters:

<Uncertainty> Noise figure uncertainty of the spectrum analyzer in dB.

Default unit: DB

Example: CALC:UNC:SAN:NOIS:UNC?

Queries the noise figure uncertainty.

7.13 Performing Measurements

The following commands are necessary to perform noise figure measurements.

Example: perform calibration and subsequent single sweep measurement

```
//Perform calibration:
CONF:CORR
INIT;*OPC?
//Perform single sweep measurement and use 2nd stage correction:
CORR:STAT ON
CONF:LIST:SING
INIT
```



You can also perform a sequence of measurements using the Sequencer (see "Multiple Channels and Sequencer Function" on page 9).

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ABORt

This command aborts the measurement in the current channel and resets the trigger system.

To prevent overlapping execution of the subsequent command before the measurement has been aborted successfully, use the *OPC? or *WAI command after ABOR and before the next command.

For details see the "Remote Basics" chapter in the R&S FPS User Manual.

Note on blocked remote control programs:

If a sequential command cannot be completed, for example because a triggered sweep never receives a trigger, the remote control program will never finish and the remote channel to the R&S FPS is blocked for further commands. In this case, you must interrupt processing on the remote channel first in order to abort the measurement.

To do so, send a "Device Clear" command from the control instrument to the R&S FPS on a parallel channel to clear all currently active remote channels. Depending on the used interface and protocol, send the following commands:

• **Visa**: viClear()

Now you can send the ${\tt ABORt}$ command on the remote channel performing the measurement.

Example: ABOR;:INIT:IMM

Aborts the current measurement and immediately starts a new

one.

Example:ABOR; *WAI
INIT: IMM

Aborts the current measurement and starts a new one once

abortion has been completed.

Usage: Event

INITiate<n>:CONTinuous <State>

This command controls the sweep mode for an individual channel.

Note that in single sweep mode, you can synchronize to the end of the measurement with *OPC, *OPC? or *WAI. In continuous sweep mode, synchronization to the end of the measurement is not possible. Thus, it is not recommended that you use continuous sweep mode in remote control, as results like trace data or markers are only valid after a single sweep end synchronization.

For details on synchronization see the "Remote Basics" chapter in the R&S FPS User Manual.

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Suffix:

<n> irrelevant

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF | 0 | 1

ON | 1

Continuous sweep

OFF | 0 Single sweep *RST: 0

Example: INIT:CONT OFF

Switches the sweep mode to single sweep.

INIT:CONT ON

Switches the sweep mode to continuous sweep.

Manual operation: See " Continuous Sweep / Run Cont " on page 67

INITiate<n>[:IMMediate]

This command starts a (single) new measurement.

You can synchronize to the end of the measurement with *OPC, *OPC? or *WAI.

For details on synchronization see the "Remote Basics" chapter in the R&S FPS User Manual.

Suffix:

<n> irrelevant

Manual operation: See "Tuning Mode" on page 41

See "Single Sweep / Run Single " on page 67

See "Calibrate" on page 68

INITiate:SEQuencer:ABORt

This command stops the currently active sequence of measurements.

You can start a new sequence any time using INITiate: SEQuencer: IMMediate on page 144.

Usage: Event

INITiate:SEQuencer:IMMediate

This command starts a new sequence of measurements by the Sequencer.

Its effect is similar to the INITiate<n>[:IMMediate] command used for a single measurement.

Before this command can be executed, the Sequencer must be activated (see SYSTem: SEQuencer on page 146).

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Example: SYST:SEQ ON

Activates the Sequencer. INIT:SEQ:MODE SING

Sets single sequence mode so each active measurement will be

performed once.
INIT:SEQ:IMM

Starts the sequential measurements.

INITiate:SEQuencer:MODE < Mode>

Defines the capture mode for the entire measurement sequence and all measurement groups and channels it contains.

Note: In order to synchronize to the end of a measurement sequence using *OPC, *OPC? or *WAI you must use SINGle Sequence mode.

Parameters:

<Mode> SINGle

Each measurement group is started one after the other in the order of definition. All measurement channels in a group are started simultaneously and performed once. After *all* measurements are completed, the next group is started. After the last group, the measurement sequence is finished.

CONTinuous

Each measurement group is started one after the other in the order of definition. All measurement channels in a group are started simultaneously and performed once. After *all* measurements are completed, the next group is started. After the last group, the measurement sequence restarts with the first one and continues until it is stopped explicitely.

*RST: CONTinuous

[SENSe:]CONFigure:CONTrol < Mode>

This command selects the measurement mode for the hot and cold power measurements.

Note that selecting a noise source with resistor characteristics with [SENSe:]CORRection:ENR:CALibration:TYPE or [SENSe:]CORRection:ENR[:MEASurement]:TYPE automatically selects manual measurement mode.

Parameters:

<Mode> AUTO | MANual

AUTO

Performs the Power (Hot) and Power (Cold) measurement in one step.

MANual

Performs the Power (Hot) and Power (Cold) measurement in

two separate steps.

Example: CONF:CONT AUTO

Selects the automatic measurement mode.

Manual operation: See "Meas Mode (Auto Manual)" on page 68

[SENSe:]CONFigure:MEASurement < Measurement >

This command selects the type of power measurement to perform next.

The command is available for manual measurements (see [SENSe:]CONFigure: CONTrol).

Parameters:

<Measurement> HOT | COLD

COLD

Performs the Power (Cold) measurement next.

HOT

Performs the Power (Hot) measurement next.

Example: CONF:CONT MAN

CONF: MEAS HOT

Performs the hot power measurement.

Manual operation: See "Meas Mode (Auto Manual)" on page 68

SYSTem:SEQuencer <State>

This command turns the Sequencer on and off. The Sequencer must be active before any other Sequencer commands (INIT:SEQ...) are executed, otherwise an error will occur.

A detailed programming example is provided in the "Operating Modes" chapter in the R&S FPS User Manual.

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF | 0 | 1

ON | 1

The Sequencer is activated and a sequential measurement is started immediately.

OFF | 0

The Sequencer is deactivated. Any running sequential measure-

ments are stopped. Further Sequencer commands

(INIT: SEQ...) are not available.

*RST: 0

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Example: SYST:SEQ ON

Activates the Sequencer. INIT:SEQ:MODE SING

Sets single Sequencer mode so each active measurement will

be performed once. INIT: SEQ: IMM

Starts the sequential measurements.

SYST:SEQ OFF

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7.14.1 Radio Frequency (RF) Input

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INPut<ip>:COUPling <CouplingType>

This command selects the coupling type of the RF input.

Suffix:

<ip> 1 | 2

irrelevant

Parameters:

<CouplingType> AC | DC

AC

AC coupling

DC

DC coupling

*RST: AC

Example: INP:COUP DC

Manual operation: See "Input Coupling "on page 69

INPut<ip>:IMPedance < Impedance>

This command selects the nominal input impedance of the RF input. In some applications, only 50 Ω are supported.

Suffix:

<ip> 1 | 2

irrelevant

Parameters:

<Impedance> 50 | 75

*RST: 50Ω Default unit: OHM

Example: INP:IMP 75

Manual operation: See "Impedance " on page 69

INPut<ip>:FILTer:YIG[:STATe] <State>

Enables or disables the YIG filter.

Suffix:

<ip> 1 | 2

irrelevant

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF | 0 | 1

Example: INP:FILT:YIG OFF

Deactivates the YIG-preselector.

Manual operation: See "YIG-Preselector" on page 69

7.14.2 External Generator

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Suffix:

<of> 1..n

Parameters:

<Denominator> Default unit: HZ

Manual operation: See "Frequency Coupling" on page 73

SOURce<si>:EXTernal<gen>:POWer[:LEVel] <Level>

This command sets the output power of the selected generator.

Suffix:

<si> irrelevant

<gen>

Parameters:

<Level> <numeric value>

*RST: -20 dBm Default unit: DBM

Example: //Define generator output level

SOUR:EXT:POW -30dBm

Manual operation: See "Source Power" on page 72

SOURce<si>:EXTernal<gen>:ROSCillator[:SOURce] <Source>

This command controls selection of the reference oscillator for the external generator.

If the external reference oscillator is selected, the reference signal must be connected to the rear panel of the instrument.

Suffix:

<si> irrelevant <gen> irrelevant

Parameters:

<Source> INTernal

Uses the internal reference.

EXTernal

Uses the external reference; if none is available, an error flag is

displayed in the status bar.

*RST: INT

Example: //Select an external reference oscillator

SOUR: EXT: ROSC EXT

Manual operation: See "Reference" on page 71

SYSTem:COMMunicate:RDEVice:GENerator<gen>:TYPE <Type>

This command selects the type of external generator.

Suffix:

<gen>

Parameters:

<Name> <Generator name as string value>

*RST: SMU02

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Example: //Select an external generator

SYST:COMM:RDEV:GEN:TYPE 'SMW06'

Manual operation: See "Generator Type "on page 70

SYSTem:COMMunicate:RDEVice:GENerator<gen>:INTerface < Type>

Defines the interface used for the connection to the external generator.

Suffix:

<gen>

Parameters:

<Type> TCPip

Example: SYST:COMM:RDEV:GEN:INT TCP

Manual operation: See "Interface " on page 70

SYSTem:COMMunicate:TCPip:RDEVice:GENerator<gen>:ADDRess <Address>

Configures the TCP/IP address for the external generator.

Suffix:

<gen>

Parameters:

<Address> TCP/IP address between 0.0.0.0 and 0.255.255.255

*RST: 0.0.0.0

Example: SYST:COMM:TCP:RDEV:GEN:ADDR 130.094.122.195

Manual operation: See "TCPIP Address / Computer Name" on page 70

SYSTem:CONFigure:GENerator:CONTrol:STATe <State>

This command turns automatic control of an external generator on and off.

The command is available with option R&S FPS-B10.

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

*RST: 0

Example: SYST:CONF:GEN:CONT:STAT ON

Turns on automatic generator control.

Manual operation: See "Automatic Control" on page 71

SYSTem:CONFigure:GENerator:INITialise:AUTO <State>

This command turns automatic connection to the generator on and off.

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If on, the application automatically configures the generator before each measurement and turns on its RF output. Note that you have to establish a connection to the generator before you can perform the measurement.

The command is available with option R&S FPS-B10.

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

*RST: 0

Example: SYST:CONF:GEN:INIT:AUTO ON

Turns automatic generator configuration on.

Manual operation: See "Init Before Meas" on page 72

SYSTem:CONFigure:GENerator:INITialise[:IMMediate]

This command establishes a connection to the external generator.

When you send the command, the application configures the generator once and turns on its RF output. Note that you have to establish a connection to the generator before you can perform the measurement.

The command is available with option R&S FPS-B10.

Usage: Event

Manual operation: See "Init External Generator" on page 73

SYSTem:CONFigure:GENerator:SWITch:AUTO <State>

Parameters:

<State>

Manual operation: See "Auto Switch Off" on page 72

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DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TABLe:ITEM <Items>, <State>

This command selects the items displayed in the Result Table.

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Suffix:

<n> 1..n

Window

Parameters:

<ltems> NOISe | GAIN | TEMPerature | YFACtor | ENR | PHOT |

PCOLd | CYFactor | CPHot | CPCold | NUNCertainty

For a list of possible parameter values (table items) see the parameter description of the TRACe < n > [:DATA]? command.

<State> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

Example: DISP:WIND2:TABL:ITEM NOIS,OFF

Removes the Noise result from the Result Table.

Manual operation: See "Result Table" on page 19

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:SYMBols <State>

This command turns symbols that represent the measurement points on a trace on and off.

Suffix:

<n> 1..n

Window

<t> 1..n

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

*RST: 0

Example: DISP:WIND2:TRAC:SYMB ON

Switches on the display of symbols in window 2...

Manual operation: See "Symbols" on page 75

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:UNCertainty <State>

If enabled, an additional trace is displayed indicating the measured trace values \pm the uncertainty values determined by the uncertainty calculator. This result is only useful for noise figure measurements.

Suffix:

<n> 1..n

Window

<t> 1..n

Trace

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF | 0 | 1

OFF | 0

Switches the function off

Configuring the Display

ON | 1

Switches the function on

*RST: 0

Example: DISP:WIND:TRAC:UNC ON

Manual operation: See "Uncertainty" on page 75

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:X[:SCALe] <Frequency>

This command selects the type of frequency displayed on the x-axis.

Suffix:

<n> 1..n

Window

<t> 1..n

Parameters:

<Frequency>
RF | IF | LO

IF

Intermediary frequency, e.g. for measurements on frequency

converting DUTs.

RF

Radio frequency. *RST: RF

Example: CONF:MODE:DUT DOWN

The DUT converts the input frequency to a lower output fre-

quency.

DISP:TRAC:X RF

Shows the RF frequency on the x-axis.

Manual operation: See "X-Axis" on page 76

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:BOTTom <Level>

This command defines the bottom value of the y-axis.

Suffix:

<n> 1..n

Window

<t> 1..n

Trace

Parameters:

<Level> The value ranges depend on the result display.

Noise figure -75 dB to 75 dB

Noise temperature

-999990000 K to 999990000 K

Y-factor

-200 dB to 200 dB

Gain

-75 dB to 75 dB **Power (hot)**

-200 dBm to 200 dBm

Power (cold)

-200 dBm to 200 dBm

Default unit: DB

Example: DISP:WIND2:TRAC:Y:SCAL:AUTO OFF

DISP:WIND2:TRAC:Y:BOTT

Manual operation: See "Auto Scale / Min / Max" on page 75

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:AUTO <State>

This command turns automatic scaling of the y-axis on and off.

Suffix:

<n> 1..n

Window

<t> 1..n

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

*RST: 1

Example: DISP:WIND2:TRAC:Y:AUTO ON

Turns on automatic scaling for measurement window 2.

Manual operation: See "Auto Scale / Min / Max" on page 75

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:TOP <Level>

This command defines the top value of the y-axis.

Suffix:

<n> 1..n

Window

<t> 1..n

Trace

Parameters:

<Level> The value ranges depend on the result display.

Noise figure -75 dB to 75 dB

Noise temperature

-999990000 K to 999990000 K

Y-factor

-200 dB to 200 dB

Gain

-75 dB to 75 dB **Power (hot)**

-200 dBm to 200 dBm

Power (cold)

-200 dBm to 200 dBm

Default unit: DB

Example: DISP:WIND2:TRAC:Y:SCAL:AUTO OFF

DISP:WIND2:TRAC:Y:TOP

Manual operation: See "Auto Scale / Min / Max" on page 75

7.16 Working with Traces

The following commands are necessary to define trace characteristics.

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DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:MODE < Mode>

This command selects the trace mode. If necessary, the selected trace is also activated.

Suffix:

<n> Window <t> Trace

Parameters:

<Mode BLANk | VIEW | WRITe

*RST: Trace 1: WRITe, Trace 2-4: BLANk

Example: INIT: CONT OFF

Switching to single sweep mode.

SWE: COUN 16

Sets the number of measurements to 16.

DISP:TRAC3:MODE WRIT

Selects clear/write mode for trace 3.

INIT; *WAI

Starts the measurement and waits for the end of the measure-

ment.

Manual operation: See "Traces" on page 77

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>][:SUBWindow<w>]:TRACe<t>[:STATe] <State>

This command turns a trace on and off.

The measurement continues in the background.

Suffix:

<n> Window

<w> subwindow

Not supported by all applications

<t> Trace

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF | 0 | 1

OFF | 0

Switches the function off

ON | 1

Switches the function on

Example: DISP:TRAC3 ON

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>][:SUBWindow<w>]:TRACe<t>:SMOothing:APERture <Aperture>

This command defines the degree (aperture) of the trace smoothing, if DISPlay[:WINDow<n>][:SUBWindow<w>]:TRACe<t>:SMOothing[:STATe]TRUE.

Suffix:

<n> Window

<w> subwindow

<t> Trace

Parameters:

<Aperture> Range: 1 to 50

*RST: 2 Default unit: PCT

Example: DISP3:TRAC2:SMO:APER 5

Defines an aperture of 5% for trace 2 in window 3

Manual operation: See "Smoothing" on page 77

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>][:SUBWindow<w>]:TRACe<t>:SMOothing[:STATe] <State>

This command turns trace smoothing for a particular trace on and off.

If enabled, the trace is smoothed by the value specified using DISPlay[: WINDow<n>][:SUBWindow<w>]:TRACe<t>:SMOothing:APERture on page 156.

Suffix:

<n> Window <w> subwindow

<t> Trace

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF | 0 | 1

OFF | 0

Switches the function off

ON | 1

Switches the function on

Example: DISP3:TRAC2:SMO ON

Turns on trace smoothing for trace 2 in window 3

Manual operation: See "Smoothing" on page 77

FORMat[:DATA] <Format>[, <BitLength>]

This command selects the data format that is used for transmission of trace data from the R&S FPS to the controlling computer.

Note that the command has no effect for data that you send to the R&S FPS. The R&S FPS automatically recognizes the data it receives, regardless of the format.

Parameters:

<Format> ASCii

ASCii format, separated by commas.

This format is almost always suitable, regardless of the actual data format. However, the data is not as compact as other for-

mats may be.

REAL

Floating-point numbers (according to IEEE 754) in the "definite

length block format".

In the Spectrum application, the format setting \mathtt{REAL} is used for

the binary transmission of trace data.

<BitLength> Length in bits for floating-point results

16

16-bit floating-point numbers.

Compared to REAL, 32 format, half as many numbers are

returned.

32

32-bit floating-point numbers

For I/Q data, 8 bytes per sample are returned for this format set-

ting.

64

64-bit floating-point numbers

Compared to REAL, 32 format, twice as many numbers are

returned.

Example: FORM REAL, 32

FORMat:DEXPort:DSEParator < Separator >

This command selects the decimal separator for data exported in ASCII format.

Parameters:

<Separator> POINt | COMMa

COMMa

Uses a comma as decimal separator, e.g. 4,05.

POINt

Uses a point as decimal separator, e.g. 4.05.

*RST: *RST has no effect on the decimal separator.

Default is POINt.

Example: FORM: DEXP: DSEP POIN

Sets the decimal point as separator.

Manual operation: See " Decimal Separator " on page 78

FORMat:DEXPort:HEADer <State>

If enabled, additional instrument and measurement settings are included in the header of the export file for result data. If disabled, only the pure result data from the selected traces and tables is exported.

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF | 0 | 1

*RST: 1

Manual operation: See "Include Instrument & Measurement Settings " on page 78

FORMat: DEXPort: TRACes < Selection >

This command selects the data to be included in a data export file (see MMEMory: STORe<n>: TRACe on page 159).

Parameters:

<Selection> SINGle | ALL

SINGle

Only a single trace is selected for export, namely the one speci-

fied by the MMEMory: STORe<n>: TRACe command.

ALL

Selects all active traces and result tables (e.g. Result Summary, marker peak list etc.) in the current application for export to an

ASCII file.

The <trace> parameter for the MMEMory:STORe<n>:TRACe

command is ignored.

Manual operation: See "Export all Traces and all Table Results " on page 78

SINGle

MMEMory:STORe<n>:TRACe <Trace>, <FileName>

*RST:

This command exports trace data from the specified window to an ASCII file.

Suffix:

<n> Window

Parameters:

<Trace> Number of the trace to be stored

<FileName> String containing the path and name of the target file.

Example: MMEM:STOR1:TRAC 1,'C:\TEST.ASC'

Stores trace 1 from window 1 in the file TEST.ASC.

Manual operation: See "Export Trace to ASCII File "on page 78

TRACe<n>:COPY <TraceNumber>, <TraceNumber>

This command copies data from one trace to another.

Suffix:

<n> Window

Parameters:

<TraceNumber> TRACE1 | TRACE2 | TRACE3 | TRACE4

The first parameter is the destination trace, the second parame-

ter is the source.

(Note the 'e' in the parameter is required!)

Example: TRAC:COPY TRACE1, TRACE2

Copies the data from trace 2 to trace 1.

Manual operation: See "Copy Trace " on page 79

7.17 Working with Limit Lines

The following commands are necessary to set up limit lines and checks.

When configuring limit lines for the noise figure application via remote control, you have to send some commands in a defined order.

- 1. Select the limit line you want to configure by name or create a new limit line name.
- 2. Select the result type you want to apply the limit line to.

The application automatically selects the unit and scale to make the line compatible to the result type.

- 3. Define the horizontal data points of the limit line.
- 4. Define the vertical data points of the limit line. Depending on the command syntax you are using, the shape also defines if the limit line is an upper or lower limit line (CALCulate:LIMit:UPPer:... or CALCulate:LIMit:LOWer:...).

Example: Configure an upper limit line for the Noise Figure result type

```
//Select or create the limit line by name.
CALC:LIM:NAME 'NoiseFigure'
//Comment on the limit line.
CALC:LIM:COMM 'Limit line to test noise figure results'
//Select the result type (here: Noise Figure) to apply the limit line to.
CALC: LIM: TYPE NOIS
//Define the horizontal data points of the limit line.
CALC:LIM:CONT 100MHZ,850MHZ
//Shift the limit line 50 MHz to the left.
CALC:LIM:CONT:SHIF -50MHZ
//Define the vertical data points of an (upper) limit line.
//The unit is fix according to the result type you have selected.
CALC: LIM: UPP 10,10
//Shift the limit line 5 dB down.
CALC:LIM:UPP:SHIF -5
//Turn the limit line on.
CALC:LIM:UPP:STAT ON
//Select the trace to check.
CALC:LIM:TRAC 1
//Turn on the limit check.
CALC:LIM:STAT ON
//Query the limit check results.
CALC:LIM:FAIL?
```

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7.17.1 Defining General Characteristics of a Limit Line

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CALCulate <n>:LIMit:NAME</n>	161
CALCulate <n>:LIMit:TYPE</n>	161

CALCulate<n>:LIMit:COMMent <Comment>

This command defines a comment for a limit line.

Suffix:

<n> irrelevant Limit line

Parameters:

<Comment> String containing the description of the limit line.

Manual operation: See "Comment" on page 86

CALCulate<n>:LIMit:NAME <Name>

This command selects a limit line that already exists or defines a name for a new limit line.

Suffix:

<n> Window Limit line

Parameters:

<Name> String containing the limit line name.

*RST: REM1 to REM8 for lines 1 to 8

Manual operation: See "Name" on page 86

CALCulate<n>:LIMit:TYPE <Result>

This command configures a limit line for a particular result type.

Suffix:

<n> 1..n
1..n Limit line

Parameters:

<Result> NOISe | GAIN | TEMPerature | YFACtor | ENR | PHOT | PCOLd

GAIN

Assigns the limit line to gain reuslts.

NOISe

Assigns the limit line to noise figure results.

PCOL d

Assigns the limit line to power (cold) results.

PHOT

Assigns the limit line to power (hot) results.

TEMPerature

Assigns the limit line to noise temperature results.

YFACtor

Assigns the limit line to y-factor results.

Example: CALC:LIM2:TYPE GAIN

Assigns limit line 2 to the gain result display.

7.17.2 Defining Horizontal Data Points

Note that the number of data points on the horizontal axis should be the same as the number of data points on the vertical axis. Otherwise the limit line may take on an unintended shape.

Example: Number of vertical data points < number of horizontal data points

CALC:LIM:CONT 100MHZ,200MHZ,300MHZ,400MHZ,500MHZ CALC:LIM:UPP 0,5,0

⇒ the application dumps 400 and 500 MHz.

Example: Number of vertical data points > number of horizontal data points

CALC:LIM:CONT 100MHZ,200MHZ,300MHZ,400MHZ,500MHZ CALC:LIM:UPP 0,5,0,5,0,5,0

 \Rightarrow the application adds new horizontal data points (500.0000100 MHz and 500.00000200 MHz).

CALCulate <n>:LIMit:CONTrol[:DATA]10</n>	62
CALCulate <n>:LIMit:CONTrol:SHIFt</n>	63

CALCulate<n>:LIMit:CONTrol[:DATA] <LimitLinePoints>

This command defines the horizontal definition points of a limit line.

Suffix:

<n> irrelevant Limit line

Parameters:

<LimitLinePoints> Variable number of x-axis values.

Note that the number of horizontal values has to be the same as

the number of vertical values set with CALCulate<n>:

LIMit:LOWer[:DATA] or CALCulate<n>:LIMit::UPPer[:DATA]. If not, the R&S FPS either adds missing values

or ignores surplus values.

*RST: -Default unit: HZ

Manual operation: See " Data Points " on page 86

CALCulate<n>:LIMit:CONTrol:SHIFt <Distance>

This command moves a complete limit line horizontally.

Compared to defining an offset, this command actually changes the limit line definition points by the value you define.

Suffix:

<n> irrelevant Limit line

Parameters:

<Distance> Numeric value.

The unit depends on the scale of the x-axis.

Default unit: HZ

Manual operation: See "Shift x" on page 87

7.17.3 Controlling Lower Limit Lines

163	CALCulate <n>:LIMit:LOWer[:DATA].</n>
164	CALCulate <n>:LIMit:LOWer:SHIFt</n>
164	CALCulate <n>:LIMit:LOWer:STATe.</n>

CALCulate<n>:LIMitI) - LimitLinePoints>

This command defines the vertical definition points of a lower limit line.

Suffix:

<n> irrelevant Limit line

Parameters:

<LimitLinePoints> Variable number of level values.

Note that the number of vertical values has to be the same as the number of horizontal values set with CALCulate < n >: LIMit: CONTrol[:DATA]. If not, the R&S FPS either

adds missing values or ignores surplus values.

*RST: Limit line state is OFF

Default unit: DBM

Manual operation: See " Data Points " on page 86

CALCulate<n>:LIMit:LOWer:SHIFt < Distance>

This command moves a complete lower limit line vertically.

Compared to defining an offset, this command actually changes the limit line definition points by the value you define.

Suffix:

<n> Window <i> Limit line

Parameters:

<Distance> Defines the distance that the limit line moves.

Default unit: DB

Manual operation: See "Shift y" on page 87

CALCulate<n>:LIMit:LOWer:STATe <State>

This command turns a lower limit line on and off.

Before you can use the command, you have to select a limit line with CALCulate<n>: LIMit: NAME on page 161.

Suffix:

<n> irrelevant Limit line

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF | 0 | 1

OFF | 0

Switches the function off

ON | 1

Switches the function on

Manual operation: See "Visibility " on page 84

7.17.4 Controlling Upper Limit Lines

CALCulate <n>:LIMit:UPPer[:DATA]</n>	165
CALCulate <n>:LIMit:UPPer:SHIFt</n>	165
CALCulate <n>:LIMit:UPPer:STATe</n>	165

CALCulate<n>:LIMit:UPPer[:DATA] <LimitLinePoints>

This command defines the vertical definition points of an upper limit line.

Suffix:

<n> irrelevant Limit line

Parameters:

<LimitLinePoints> Variable number of level values.

Note that the number of vertical values has to be the same as the number of horizontal values set with CALCulate < n >: LIMit: CONTrol[:DATA]. If not, the R&S FPS either

adds missing values or ignores surplus values.

*RST: Limit line state is OFF

Default unit: DBM

Manual operation: See " Data Points " on page 86

CALCulate<n>:LIMit:UPPer:SHIFt < Distance>

This command moves a complete upper limit line vertically.

Compared to defining an offset, this command actually changes the limit line definition points by the value you define.

Suffix:

<n> irrelevant Limit line

Parameters:

<Distance> Defines the distance that the limit line moves.

Manual operation: See "Shift y" on page 87

CALCulate<n>:LIMit:UPPer:STATe <State>

This command turns an upper limit line on and off.

Before you can use the command, you have to select a limit line with CALCulate<n>: LIMit: NAME on page 161.

Suffix:

<n> irrelevant

Limit line

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF | 0 | 1

OFF | 0

Switches the function off

ON | 1

Switches the function on

Manual operation: See "Visibility" on page 84

7.17.5 Managing Limit Lines

CALCulate <n>:LIMit:ACTive?</n>	.166
CALCulate <n>:LIMit:COPY</n>	.166
CALCulate <n>:LIMit:DELete</n>	. 167

CALCulate<n>:LIMit:ACTive?

This command queries the names of all active limit lines.

Suffix:

<n> irrelevant irrelevant

Return values:

<LimitLines> String containing the names of all active limit lines in alphabeti-

cal order.

Example: CALC:LIM:ACT?

Queries the names of all active limit lines.

Usage: Query only

Manual operation: See "Visibility" on page 84

CALCulate<n>:LIMit:COPY <Line>

This command copies a limit line.

Suffix:

<n> Window <i> Limit line

Parameters:

<Line> 1 to 8

number of the new limit line

<name>

String containing the name of the limit line.

Example: CALC:LIM1:COPY 2

Copies limit line 1 to line 2. CALC:LIM1:COPY 'FM2'

Copies limit line 1 to a new line named FM2.

Manual operation: See "Copy Line" on page 85

CALCulate<n>:LIMit:DELete

This command deletes a limit line.

Suffix:

<n> Window <i> Limit line

Manual operation: See " Delete Line " on page 85

7.17.6 Controlling Limit Checks

CALCulate <n>:LIMit:CLEar[:IMMediate]</n>	167
CALCulate <n>:LIMit:FAIL?</n>	
CALCulate <n>:LIMit:STATe</n>	168
CALCulate <n>:LIMit:TRACe<t></t></n>	168
CALCulate <n>:LIMit:TRACe<t>:CHECk</t></n>	169

CALCulate<n>:LIMit:CLEar[:IMMediate]

This command deletes the result of the current limit check.

The command works on all limit lines in all measurement windows at the same time.

Suffix:

<n> Window <i> irrelevant

Example: CALC:LIM:CLE

Deletes the result of the limit check.

CALCulate<n>:LIMit:FAIL?

This command queries the result of a limit check in the specified window.

To get a valid result, you have to perform a complete measurement with synchronization to the end of the measurement before reading out the result. This is only possible for single sweep mode.

See also INITiate<n>: CONTinuous on page 143.

Suffix:

<n> Window

Limit line

Return values:

<Result> 0

PASS 1 FAIL

Example: INIT; *WAI

Starts a new sweep and waits for its end.

CALC2:LIM3:FAIL?

Queries the result of the check for limit line 3 in window 2.

Usage: Query only

CALCulate<n>:LIMit:STATe <State>

This command turns the limit check for a specific limit line on and off.

To query the limit check result, use CALCulate<n>:LIMit:FAIL?.

Note that a new command exists to activate the limit check and define the trace to be checked in one step (see CALCulate<n>:LIMit:TRACe<t>:CHECk on page 169).

Suffix:

<n> irrelevant Limit line

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF | 0 | 1

OFF | 0

Switches the function off

ON | 1

Switches the function on

Example: CALC:LIM:STAT ON

Switches on the limit check for limit line 1.

Manual operation: See "Disable All Lines" on page 85

CALCulate<n>:LIMit:TRACe<t> <TraceNumber>

This command links a limit line to one or more traces.

Note that this command is maintained for compatibility reasons only. Limit lines no longer need to be assigned to a trace explicitly. The trace to be checked can be defined directly (as a suffix) in the new command to activate the limit check (see CALCulate<n>:LIMit:TRACe<t>:CHECk on page 169).

Suffix:

<n> Window Limit line

<t> irrelevant

Parameters:

<TraceNumber> 1 to 4

*RST: 1

Example: CALC:LIM2:TRAC 3

Assigns limit line 2 to trace 3.

CALCulate<n>:LIMit:TRACe<t>:CHECk <State>

This command turns the limit check for a specific trace on and off.

To query the limit check result, use CALCulate<n>:LIMit:FAIL?.

Note that this command replaces the two commands from previous signal and spectrum analyzers (which are still supported, however):

CALCulate<n>:LIMit:TRACe<t> on page 168

• CALCulate<n>:LIMit:STATe on page 168

Suffix:

<n> Window
Limit line
<t> Trace

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF | 0 | 1

OFF | 0

Switches the function off

ON | 1

Switches the function on

Example: CALC:LIM3:TRAC2:CHEC ON

Switches on the limit check for limit line 3 on trace 2.

Manual operation: See "Traces to be Checked " on page 84

7.18 Working with Markers

The following commands are necessary to work with markers.

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7.18.1 Using Markers

Note that the suffix at CALCulate has an effect only if you query the characteristics of a marker. If you set a marker, you can ignore the suffix because the markers are linked to each other over all measurement windows and will always be on the same frequency.

CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:AOFF</m></n>	170
CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>[:STATe]</m></n>	170
CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:TRACe</m></n>	
CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:X</m></n>	171
CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:Y?</m></n>	171

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:AOFF

This command turns off all markers.

Suffix:

<n> Window <m> Marker

Example: CALC:MARK:AOFF

Switches off all markers.

Manual operation: See " All Markers Off " on page 80

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>[:STATe] <State>

This command turns markers on and off. If the corresponding marker number is currently active as a delta marker, it is turned into a normal marker.

Suffix:

<n> Window <m> Marker

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF | 0 | 1

OFF | 0

Switches the function off

ON | 1

Switches the function on

Example: CALC:MARK3 ON

Switches on marker 3.

Manual operation: See "Marker Type " on page 80

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:TRACe <Trace>

This command selects the trace the marker is positioned on.

Note that the corresponding trace must have a trace mode other than "Blank".

If necessary, the command activates the marker first.

Suffix:

<n> Window <m> Marker

Parameters:

<Trace> 1 to 4

Trace number the marker is assigned to.

Example: //Assign marker to trace 1

CALC:MARK3:TRAC 2

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:X <Position>

This command moves a marker to a specific coordinate on the x-axis.

If necessary, the command activates the marker.

If the marker has been used as a delta marker, the command turns it into a normal marker.

Note that markers have to be positioned on a discrete frequency that is part of the frequency list. If you set the marker on a frequency not included in the frequency list, the application positions the marker to the nearest frequency in the list (rounding up or down).

Suffix:

<n> Window <m> Marker

Parameters:

<Position> Numeric value that defines the marker position on the x-axis.

The unit depends on the result display.

Range: The range depends on the current x-axis range.

Default unit: Hz

Example: CALC:MARK2:X 1.7MHz

Positions marker 2 to frequency 1.7 MHz.

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:Y? <Result>

Queries the result at the position of the specified marker.

Suffix:

<n> 1..n <m> 1..n

Query parameters:

<Result> Selects the result.

CPCold

Queries calibration power (cold) results.

CPHot

Queries calibration power (hot) results.

CYFactor

Queries calibration y-factor results.

GAIN

Queries gain results.

NOISe

Queries noise figure results.

NUNCertainty

Queries the noise figure uncertainty results.

PCOLd

Queries power (cold) results.

PHOT

Queries power (hot) results.

TEMPerature

Queries noise temperature results.

YFACtor

Queries y-factor results.

Return values:

<Result> Default unit: DBM

Usage: Query only

Manual operation: See "Marker Table" on page 20

7.18.2 Using Delta Markers

Note that the suffix at CALCulate has an effect only if you query the characteristics of a marker. If you set a marker, you can ignore the suffix because the markers are linked to each other over all measurement windows and will always be on the same frequency.

CALCulate <n>:DELTamarker<m>:AOFF</m></n>	172
CALCulate <n>:DELTamarker<m>:MREFerence</m></n>	173
CALCulate <n>:DELTamarker<m>[:STATe]</m></n>	173
CALCulate <n>:DELTamarker<m>:TRACe</m></n>	173
CALCulate <n>:DELTamarker<m>:X</m></n>	174
CALCulate <n>:DELTamarker<m>:Y?</m></n>	174

CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:AOFF

This command turns off all delta markers.

Suffix:

<n> Window <m> irrelevant

Example: CALC:DELT:AOFF

Turns off all delta markers.

CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MREFerence < Reference>

This command selects a reference marker for a delta marker other than marker 1.

The reference may be another marker or the fixed reference.

Suffix:

<n> Window <m> Marker

Parameters:

<Reference> 1 to 16

Selects markers 1 to 16 as the reference.

FIXed

Selects the fixed reference as the reference.

Example: CALC:DELT3:MREF 2

Specifies that the values of delta marker 3 are relative to marker

2.

CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>[:STATe] <State>

This command turns delta markers on and off.

If necessary, the command activates the delta marker first.

No suffix at DELTamarker turns on delta marker 1.

Suffix:

<n> Window <m> Marker

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF | 0 | 1

OFF | 0

Switches the function off

ON | 1

Switches the function on

Example: CALC: DELT2 ON

Turns on delta marker 2.

Manual operation: See "Marker Type " on page 80

CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:TRACe <Trace>

This command selects the trace a delta marker is positioned on.

Note that the corresponding trace must have a trace mode other than "Blank".

If necessary, the command activates the marker first.

Suffix:

<n> Window <m> Marker

Parameters:

<Trace> Trace number the marker is assigned to.

Example: CALC:DELT2:TRAC 2

Positions delta marker 2 on trace 2.

CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:X <Position>

This command moves a delta marker to a particular coordinate on the x-axis.

If necessary, the command activates the delta marker and positions a reference marker to the peak power.

Suffix:

<n> Window <m> Marker

Parameters:

<Position> Numeric value that defines the marker position on the x-axis.

Range: The value range and unit depend on the measure-

ment and scale of the x-axis.

Example: CALC:DELT:X?

Outputs the absolute x-value of delta marker 1.

CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:Y? <Trace>

Queries the result at the position of the specified delta marker.

Suffix:

<n> 1..n <m> 1..n

Parameters:

<Trace> CPCold

Queries calibration power (cold) results.

CPHot

Queries calibration power (hot) results.

CYFactor

Queries calibration y-factor results.

GAIN

Queries gain results.

NOISe

Queries noise figure results.

PCOLd

Queries power (cold) results.

PHOT

Queries power (hot) results.

TEMPerature

Queries noise temperature results.

YFACtor

Queries y-factor results.

Return values:

<Result> Result at the position of the delta marker.

The unit is variable and depends on the one you have currently

set.

Default unit: DBM

Usage: Query only

Manual operation: See "Marker Table" on page 20

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DISPlay[:WINDow <n>]:MINFo[:STATe]1</n>	75
DISPlay[:WINDow <n>]:MTABle1</n>	75

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:MINFo[:STATe] <State>

This command turns the marker information in all diagrams on and off.

Suffix:

<n> irrelevant

Parameters:

<State> ON | 1

Displays the marker information in the diagrams.

OFF | 0

Hides the marker information in the diagrams.

*RST: 1

Example: DISP:MINF OFF

Hides the marker information.

Manual operation: See " Marker Info " on page 81

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:MTABle <DisplayMode>

This command turns the marker table on and off.

Suffix:

<n> irrelevant

Parameters:

<DisplayMode> ON | 1

Turns on the marker table.

OFF | 0

Turns off the marker table.

AUTO

Turns on the marker table if 3 or more markers are active.

*RST: AUTC

Example: DISP:MTAB ON

Activates the marker table.

Manual operation: See "Marker Table Display " on page 81

7.18.4 Positioning Markers

If you are using more than one window, the application performs the peak search in the window that you have selected with the suffix at CALCulate only. Because the markers are linked, the frequency position of the marker in the other windows is adjusted accordingly, even if it means that the marker is on a peak in the selected window only.

CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:MAXimum:LEFT</m></n>	176
CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:MAXimum:NEXT</m></n>	. 176
CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:MAXimum[:PEAK]</m></n>	. 177
CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:MAXimum:RIGHt</m></n>	177
CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:MINimum:NEXT</m></n>	. 177
CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:MINimum:LEFT</m></n>	177
CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:MINimum[:PEAK]</m></n>	. 178
CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:MINimum:RIGHt</m></n>	178

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MAXimum:LEFT

This command moves a marker to the next lower peak.

The search includes only measurement values to the left of the current marker position.

Suffix:

<n> Window <m> Marker

Manual operation: See "Search Next Peak "on page 82

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MAXimum:NEXT

This command moves a marker to the next lower peak.

Suffix:

<n> Window <m> Marker

Manual operation: See "Search Next Peak" on page 82

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MAXimum[:PEAK]

This command moves a marker to the highest level.

If the marker is not yet active, the command first activates the marker.

Suffix:

<n> Window <m> Marker

Manual operation: See " Peak Search " on page 82

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MAXimum:RIGHt

This command moves a marker to the next lower peak.

The search includes only measurement values to the right of the current marker position.

Suffix:

<n> Window <m> Marker

Manual operation: See "Search Next Peak "on page 82

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MINimum:NEXT

This command moves a marker to the next minimum value.

Suffix:

<n> Window <m> Marker

Manual operation: See "Search Next Minimum" on page 83

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MINimum:LEFT

This command moves a marker to the next minimum value.

The search includes only measurement values to the right of the current marker position.

Suffix:

<n> Window <m> Marker

Manual operation: See "Search Next Minimum" on page 83

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MINimum[:PEAK]

This command moves a marker to the minimum level.

If the marker is not yet active, the command first activates the marker.

Suffix:

<n> Window <m> Marker

Manual operation: See " Search Minimum " on page 82

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MINimum:RIGHt

This command moves a marker to the next minimum value.

The search includes only measurement values to the right of the current marker position.

Suffix:

<n> Window <m> Marker

Manual operation: See "Search Next Minimum" on page 83

7.18.5 Positioning Delta Markers

If you are using more than one window, the application performs the peak search in the window that you have selected with the suffix at CALCulate only. Because the markers are linked, the frequency position of the marker in the other windows is adjusted accordingly, even if it means that the marker is on a peak in the selected window only.

CALCulate <n>:DELTamarker<m>:MAXimum:NEXT</m></n>
CALCulate <n>:DELTamarker<m>:MAXimum:RIGHt</m></n>
CALCulate <n>:DELTamarker<m>:MINimum:LEFT</m></n>
CALCulate <n>:DELTamarker<m>:MINimum:NEXT</m></n>
CALCulate <n>:DELTamarker<m>:MINimum[:PEAK]</m></n>
CALCulate <n>:DELTamarker<m>:MINimum:RIGHt</m></n>

CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MAXimum:LEFT

This command moves a delta marker to the next higher value.

The search includes only measurement values to the left of the current marker position.

Suffix:

<n> Window <m> Marker

Manual operation: See "Search Next Peak" on page 82

CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MAXimum:NEXT

This command moves a marker to the next higher value.

Suffix:

<n> 1..n

Window

<m> 1..n

Marker

Manual operation: See "Search Next Peak" on page 82

CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MAXimum[:PEAK]

This command moves a delta marker to the highest level.

If the marker is not yet active, the command first activates the marker.

Suffix:

<n> Window <m> Marker

Manual operation: See " Peak Search " on page 82

CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MAXimum:RIGHt

This command moves a delta marker to the next higher value.

The search includes only measurement values to the right of the current marker position.

Suffix:

<n> Window <m> Marker

Manual operation: See "Search Next Peak "on page 82

CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MINimum:LEFT

This command moves a delta marker to the next higher minimum value.

The search includes only measurement values to the right of the current marker position.

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Suffix:

<n> Window <m> Marker

Manual operation: See "Search Next Minimum" on page 83

CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MINimum:NEXT

This command moves a marker to the next higher minimum value.

Suffix:

<n> Window <m> Marker

Manual operation: See "Search Next Minimum" on page 83

CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MINimum[:PEAK]

This command moves a delta marker to the minimum level.

If the marker is not yet active, the command first activates the marker.

Suffix:

<n> Window <m> Marker

Manual operation: See " Search Minimum " on page 82

CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MINimum:RIGHt

This command moves a delta marker to the next higher minimum value.

The search includes only measurement values to the right of the current marker position.

Suffix:

<n> Window <m> Marker

Manual operation: See "Search Next Minimum" on page 83

7.19 Using the Status Register

The status reporting system stores information about the current state of the R&S FPS. This includes, for example, information about errors during operation or information about limit checks. The R&S FPS stores this information in the status registers and in the error queue. You can query the status register and error queue via IEC bus.

The R&S FPS-K30 features several status registers that are specific to noise figure measurements. This chapter describes the application-specific registers, including the corresponding remote commands.

7.19.1 Status Registers for Noise Figure Measurements

The figure below shows the status registers of the noise figure application.

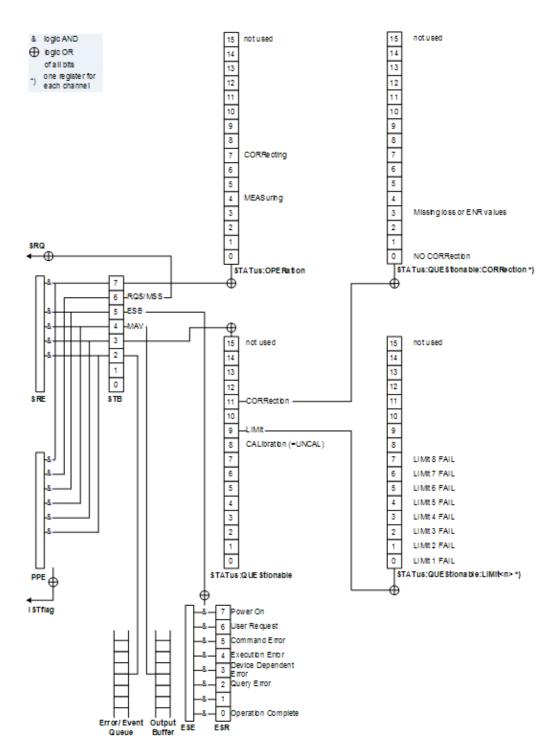


Figure 7-2: Status registers for noise figure measurements

The R&S FPS structures the information hierarchically, with the Status Byte register (STB) and the Service Request Enable mask register (SRE) being on the highest level. The STB gets its information from the standard Event Status Register (ESR) and the Event Status Enable mask register (ESE). The STB and ESR are both defined by IEEE 488.2. In addition to the ESR, the STB also gets information from the STATus:OPERation and STATus:QUEStionable registers. These registers are the link to the lower lev-

els of the status register and are defined by SCPI. They contain information about the state of the instrument.

For a more comprehensive description of the status registers not mentioned here, and status register functionality in general, see the manual of the base unit.

7.19.1.1 STATus: OPERation Register

The STATus: OPERation register contains information on current activities of the R&S FPS. It also contains information on activities that have been executed since the last read out.

Bit no	Meaning
0 to 3	Unavailable for noise figure measurements.
4	MEASuring This bit is set if a measurement is in progress.
5 to 6	Unavailable for noise figure measurements.
7	CORRecting This bit is set if a 2nd stage correction is in progress.
8	HCOPy This bit is set if a hardcopy is created.
9 - 14	Unavailable for noise figure measurements.
15	This bit is always 0.

7.19.1.2 STATus: QUEStionable Register

The STATUS: QUEStionable register contains information about indefinite states which can occur if the unit is operated without meeting the specifications.

Bit no	Meaning
0 to 7	Unavailable for noise figure measurements.
8	CALibration This bit is set if the R&S FPS is not calibrated.
9	LIMit This bit is set if a limit line is violated.
10	Unavailable for noise figure measurements.
11	CORRection This bit is set if the noise figure calibration is questionable.
14	Unavailable for noise figure measurements.
15	This bit is always 0.

7.19.1.3 STATus:QUEStionable:LIMit Register

The STATus:QUEStionable:LIMit register contains information about limit lines and the results of a limit checks.

The number of LIMit registers depends on the number of measurement windows available in any application.

Bit no	Meaning
0	LIMit 1 FAIL
	This bit is set if limit line 1 is violated.
1	LIMit 2 FAIL
	This bit is set if limit line 2 is violated.
2	LIMit 3 FAIL
	This bit is set if limit line 3 is violated.
3	LIMit 4 FAIL
	This bit is set if limit line 4 is violated.
4	LIMit 5 FAIL
	This bit is set if limit line 5 is violated.
5	LIMit 6 FAIL
	This bit is set if limit line 6 is violated.
6	LIMit 7 FAIL
	This bit is set if limit line 7 is violated.
7	LIMit 8 FAIL
	This bit is set if limit line 8 is violated.
8 to 14	Unavailable for noise figure measurements.
15	This bit is always 0.

7.19.1.4 STATus: QUEStionable: CORRection Register

The STATus: QUEStionable: CORRection register contains information about the calibration status of noise figure measurements.

Bit no	Meaning
0	NO CORRection
	This bit is set if calibration is required.
1 to 2	Unavailable for noise figure measurements.
3	Missing Loss or ENR values
	This bit is set if loss or ENR values are missing for one or more measurement frequencies.

Bit no	Meaning
4 to 14	Unavailable for noise figure measurements.
15	This bit is always 0.

7.19.1.5 Status Register Remote Commands

STATus:OPERation[:EVENt]?	185
STATus:QUEStionable[:EVENt]?	185
STATus:QUEStionable:CORRection[:EVENt]?	
STATus:QUEStionable:LIMit[:EVENt]?	
STATus:OPERation:CONDition?	
STATus:QUEStionable:CONDition?	185
STATus:QUEStionable:CORRection:CONDition?	185
STATus:QUEStionable:LIMit:CONDition?	
STATus:OPERation:ENABle	186
STATus:QUEStionable:ENABle	186
STATus:QUEStionable:CORRection:ENABle	186
STATus:QUEStionable:LIMit:ENABle	186
STATus:OPERation:NTRansition	186
STATus:QUEStionable:NTRansition	186
STATus:QUEStionable:CORRection:NTRansition	186
STATus:QUEStionable:LIMit:NTRansition	
STATus:OPERation:PTRansition	186
STATus:QUEStionable:PTRansition	186
STATus:QUEStionable:CORRection:PTRansition	186
STATus:QUEStionable:LIMit:PTRansition	

STATus:OPERation[:EVENt]? STATus:QUEStionable[:EVENt]?

STATus:QUEStionable:CORRection[:EVENt]? < ChannelName >

STATus:QUEStionable:LIMit[:EVENt]? < ChannelName >

These commands read out the EVENt section of the status register.

The commands at the same time delete the contents of the EVENt section.

Query parameters:

<ChannelName> String containing the name of the channel.

The parameter is optional. If you omit it, the command works for

the currently active channel.

Usage: Query only

STATus: OPERation: CONDition? STATus: QUEStionable: CONDition?

STATus:QUEStionable:CORRection:CONDition? < ChannelName >

STATus:QUEStionable:LIMit:CONDition? < ChannelName>

These commands read out the CONDition section of the status register.

The commands do not delete the contents of the EVENt section.

Query parameters:

<ChannelName> String containing the name of the channel.

The parameter is optional. If you omit it, the command works for

the currently active channel.

Usage: Query only

STATus:OPERation:ENABle <SumBit>,<ChannelName> **STATus:QUEStionable:ENABle** <SumBit>,<ChannelName>

STATus:QUEStionable:CORRection:ENABle <SumBit>,<ChannelName>

STATus:QUEStionable:LIMit:ENABle <SumBit>,<ChannelName>

These commands control the ENABle part of a register.

The ENABle part allows true conditions in the EVENt part of the status register to be reported in the summary bit. If a bit is 1 in the enable register and its associated event bit transitions to true, a positive transition occurs in the summary bit reported to the next higher level.

Parameters:

<SumBit> Range: 0 to 65535

<ChannelName> String containing the name of the channel.

The parameter is optional. If you omit it, the command works for

the currently active channel.

STATus:OPERation:NTRansition <SumBit>,<ChannelName> **STATus:QUEStionable:NTRansition** <SumBit>,<ChannelName>

STATus:QUEStionable:CORRection:NTRansition <SumBit>,<ChannelName>

STATus:QUEStionable:LIMit:NTRansition <SumBit>,<ChannelName>

These commands control the Negative TRansition part of a register.

Setting a bit causes a 1 to 0 transition in the corresponding bit of the associated register. The transition also writes a 1 into the associated bit of the corresponding EVENt register.

Parameters:

<SumBit> Range: 0 to 65535

<ChannelName> String containing the name of the channel.

The parameter is optional. If you omit it, the command works for

the currently active channel.

STATus:OPERation:PTRansition <SumBit>,<ChannelName> **STATus:QUEStionable:PTRansition** <SumBit>,<ChannelName>

STATus:QUEStionable:CORRection:PTRansition <SumBit>,<ChannelName>

STATus:QUEStionable:LIMit:PTRansition <SumBit>,<ChannelName>

These commands control the Positive TRansition part of a register.

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Setting a bit causes a 0 to 1 transition in the corresponding bit of the associated register. The transition also writes a 1 into the associated bit of the corresponding EVENt register.

Parameters:

<SumBit> Range: 0 to 65535

<ChannelName> String containing the name of the channel.

The parameter is optional. If you omit it, the command works for

the currently active channel.

7.20 Deprecated Remote Commands for Noise Figure Measurements

Following is a list of deprecated remote commands. The remote commands are still supported to maintain compatibility to previous versions of noise figure measurements (like the R&S FSV-K30), but it is strongly recommended to use the command system in the way it is meant to be used in the R&S FPS-K30.

Legacy command	Replaced by	Comment
CALCulate:LIMit:TRACe	CALCulate:LIMit:TYPE	Parameters NFIGure, TEFFective and GAIN were supported to assign a limit line to a result and thus the trace because trace and result type were fix. CALCulate:LIMit:TRACe now assigns the limit line to a trace (1 to 4).
CALCulate:MARKer:TRACe CALCulate:DELTamarker:TRACe		The parameters NOISe, GAIN, NMEM1-3 and GMEM1-3 have been replaced by 1 2 3 4 because no distinction is made between memory and live trace.
CONFigure: ARRay: MEMory	TRACe: COPY	No more distinction between memory and live traces.
CONFigure:SINGle	CONFigure: FREQuency: SINGle	
DISPlay:ARRay:MEMory:STATe DISPlay:CURRent:DATA:STATe	DISPlay:WINDow:TRACe:STATe	No more distinction between memory and live traces.
DISPlay:DATA:TRACe	LAYout system	
DISPlay:FORMat		Functionality not supported any more.
DISPlay:WINDow:TABLe	LAYout:WINDow:REPLace/ LAYout:REPLace:WINDow	
FETCh: command system	TRACE: DATA	
SENSe:SWEep:POINts	SENSe: FREQuency: POINts	
SENSe:FREQuency:CW:FIXed	SENSe: FREQuency: SINGle	
SENSe:FREQuency:LIST:DATA	SENSe: FREQuency: TABLe: DATA	Frequency table only requires RF frequencies on R&S FPS.

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Legacy command	Replaced by	Comment
SENSe:CONFigure:MODE:SYSTem: LOSCillator	SENSe:CONFigure:MODE: SYSTem:LO	
SENSe:CONFigure:MODE:SYSTem: LOSCillator:FREQuency	SENSe:CONFigure:MODE: SYSTem:LO:FREQuency	

7.21 Programming Example: Measuring a Noise Figure

```
// Preset and start option K30
*RST
INSTrument:SELect NOISE
// Set frequencies
SENSe:FREQuency:STARt 100000
SENSe:FREQuency:STOP 300000000
SENSe: FREQuency: POINts 201
// ENR settings
SENSe:CORRection:ENR:MODE TABLe
// Set the ENR values of your noise source here
SENSe:CORRection:ENR:MEASurement:TABLe:DATA 100e3, 15.77, 10e6, 15.77, 100e6, 15.35,
1e9, 15.12, 2e9, 14.70, 3e9, 14.57
// Set meas time
SENSe:SWEep:TIME 300ms
// Configure and start calibration
SENSe:CONFigure:CORRection
INITiate: IMMediate
*OPC
SENSe:CORRection:STATe ON
\ensuremath{//} Configure and start measurement
// --> don't forget to add the DUT to the signal path here
// Configure a frequency list measurement with the settings above in single sweep
SENSe: CONFigure: LIST: SINGLe
INITiate: IMMediate
*OPC
```

Annex

A Reference: Frequency Table File Format

Frequency tables can be exported to a file in xml format for further evaluation in other applications. Transducer factors stored in the specified xml format can also be imported to the R&S FPS for other measurements (see "Import / Export" on page 45). This reference describes in detail the format of the export/import files for frequency tables.

Example: Import file for a frequency table

List of Remote Commands (Noise Figure)

[SENSe:]BANDwidth[:RESolution]	127
[SENSe:]BWIDth[:RESolution]	127
[SENSe:]CONFigure:CONTrol	145
[SENSe:]CONFigure:CORRection	127
[SENSe:]CONFigure:FREQuency:CONTinuous	107
[SENSe:]CONFigure:FREQuency:SINGle	107
[SENSe:]CONFigure:LIST:CONTinuous	107
[SENSe:]CONFigure:LIST:SINGle	107
[SENSe:]CONFigure:MEASurement	146
[SENSe:]CONFigure:MODE:DUT	112
[SENSe:]CONFigure:MODE:SYSTem:IF:FREQuency	111
[SENSe:]CONFigure:MODE:SYSTem:LO	111
[SENSe:]CONFigure:MODE:SYSTem:LO:FREQuency	112
[SENSe:]CORRection:ENR:CALibration:MODE	114
[SENSe:]CORRection:ENR:CALibration:SPOT	114
[SENSe:]CORRection:ENR:CALibration:SPOT:COLD	113
[SENSe:]CORRection:ENR:CALibration:SPOT:HOT	114
[SENSe:]CORRection:ENR:CALibration:TABLe:SELect	115
[SENSe:]CORRection:ENR:CALibration:TYPE	115
[SENSe:]CORRection:ENR:COMMon	116
[SENSe:]CORRection:ENR[:MEASurement]:MODE	118
[SENSe:]CORRection:ENR[:MEASurement]:SPOT	118
[SENSe:]CORRection:ENR[:MEASurement]:SPOT:COLD	119
[SENSe:]CORRection:ENR[:MEASurement]:SPOT:HOT	119
[SENSe:]CORRection:ENR[:MEASurement]:TABLe:DELete	116
[SENSe:]CORRection:ENR[:MEASurement]:TABLe:LIST?	117
[SENSe:]CORRection:ENR[:MEASurement]:TABLe:SELect	117
[SENSe:]CORRection:ENR[:MEASurement]:TABLe:TEMPerature:DELete	117
[SENSe:]CORRection:ENR[:MEASurement]:TABLe:TEMPerature:LIST?	118
[SENSe:]CORRection:ENR[:MEASurement]:TABLe:TEMPerature[:DATA]	117
[SENSe:]CORRection:ENR[:MEASurement]:TABLe[:DATA]	116
[SENSe:]CORRection:ENR[:MEASurement]:TYPE	119
[SENSe:]CORRection:IREJection	112
[SENSe:]CORRection:LOSS:CALibration:MODE	121
[SENSe:]CORRection:LOSS:CALibration:SPOT	
[SENSe:]CORRection:LOSS:CALibration:TABLe:DELete	121
[SENSe:]CORRection:LOSS:CALibration:TABLe:LIST?	122
[SENSe:]CORRection:LOSS:CALibration:TABLe:SELect	122
[SENSe:]CORRection:LOSS:CALibration:TABLe[:DATA]	122
[SENSe:]CORRection:LOSS:CALibration:TEMPerature	123
[SENSe:]CORRection:LOSS:INPut:MODE	123
[SENSe:]CORRection:LOSS:INPut:SPOT	123
[SENSe:]CORRection:LOSS:INPut:TABLe:DELete	124
[SENSe:]CORRection:LOSS:INPut:TABLe:LIST?	124
[SENSe:]CORRection:LOSS:INPut:TABLe:SELect	124
[SENSe:]CORRection:LOSS:INPut:TABLe[:DATA]	123
[SENSe:]CORRection:LOSS:INPut:TEMPerature	125

[SENSe:]CORRection:LOSS:OUTPut:MODE	125
[SENSe:]CORRection:LOSS:OUTPut:SPOT	
[SENSe:]CORRection:LOSS:OUTPut:TABLe:DELete	
[SENSe:]CORRection:LOSS:OUTPut:TABLe:LIST?	126
[SENSe:]CORRection:LOSS:OUTPut:TABLe:SELect	126
[SENSe:]CORRection:LOSS:OUTPut:TABLe[:DATA]	126
[SENSe:]CORRection:LOSS:OUTPut:TEMPerature	127
[SENSe:]CORRection:RECall	128
[SENSe:]CORRection:SAVE	129
[SENSe:]CORRection:TEMPerature	120
[SENSe:]CORRection[:STATe]	128
[SENSe:]FREQuency:CENTer	108
[SENSe:]FREQuency:LIST:DATA	108
[SENSe:]FREQuency:POINts	
[SENSe:]FREQuency:SINGle	
[SENSe:]FREQuency:SINGle:COUPled	
[SENSe:]FREQuency:SPAN	
[SENSe:]FREQuency:STARt	110
[SENSe:]FREQuency:STEP	110
[SENSe:]FREQuency:STOP	110
[SENSe:]FREQuency:TABLe:DATA	
[SENSe:]SWEep:COUNt	
[SENSe:]SWEep:TIME	130
[SENSe:]SWEep:TIME:AUTO	130
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CALCulate <n>:DELTamarker<m>:AOFF</m></n>	172
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