R&S®FSW-K70 Vector Signal Analysis User Manual







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- R&S®FSW8 (1312.8000K08)
- R&S[®]FSW13 (1312.8000K13)
- R&S®FSW26 (1312.8000K26)
- R&S®FSW43 (1312.8000K43)
- R&S®FSW50 (1312.8000K50)
- R&S®FSW67 (1312.8000K67)
- R&S®FSW85 (1312.8000K85)

The following firmware options are described:

• R&S FSW-K70 (1313.1416.02)

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About this Manual

1 Preface

1.1 About this Manual

This R&S FSW Vector Signal Analysis User Manual provides all the information **specific to the application**. All general instrument functions and settings common to all applications and operating modes are described in the main R&S FSW User Manual.

The main focus in this manual is on the measurement results and the tasks required to obtain them. The following topics are included:

Welcome to the VSA Application

Introduction to and getting familiar with the application

Typical applications

Example measurement scenarios in which the application is frequently used.

Measurements and Result Displays

Details on supported measurements and their result types

Measurement Basics

Background information on basic terms and principles in the context of the measurement

Configuration + Analysis

A concise description of all functions and settings available to configure measurements and analyze results with their corresponding remote control command

• I/Q Data Import and Export

Description of general functions to import and export raw I/Q (measurement) data

• How to Perform Measurements in VSA

The basic procedure to perform each measurement and step-by-step instructions for more complex tasks or alternative methods

Measurement Examples

Detailed measurement examples to guide you through typical measurement scenarios and allow you to try out the application immediately

Optimizing and Troubleshooting the Measurement

Hints and tips on how to handle errors and optimize the test setup

• Remote Commands for VSA

Remote commands required to configure and perform VSA measurements in a remote environment, sorted by tasks

(Commands required to set up the environment or to perform common tasks on the instrument are provided in the main R&S FSW User Manual)

Programming examples demonstrate the use of many commands and can usually be executed directly for test purposes

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• List of remote commands

Alphabetical list of all remote commands described in the manual

Documentation Overview

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1.2 Documentation Overview

The user documentation for the R&S FSW consists of the following parts:

- "Getting Started" printed manual
- Online Help system on the instrument
- User manuals and online manual for base unit and options provided on the product page
- Service manual provided on the internet for registered users
- Instrument security procedures provided on the product page
- Release notes provided on the product page
- Data sheet and brochures provided on the product page
- Application notes provided on the Rohde & Schwarz website



You find the user documentation on the R&S FSW product page mainly at:

http://www.rohde-schwarz.com/product/FSW > "Downloads" > "Manuals"

Additional download paths are stated directly in the following abstracts of the documentation types.

Getting Started

Introduces the R&S FSW and describes how to set up and start working with the product. Includes basic operations, typical measurement examples, and general information, e.g. safety instructions, etc.

Online Help

Offers quick, context-sensitive access to the information needed for operation and programming. It contains the description for the base unit and the software options. The Online Help is embedded in the instrument's firmware; it is available using the $\ref{thm:property}$ icon on the toolbar of the R&S FSW.

User Manuals and Online Manual

Separate manuals are provided for the base unit and the software options:

Base unit manual

Contains the description of the graphical user interface, an introduction to remote control, the description of all SCPI remote control commands, programming examples, and information on maintenance, instrument interfaces and error messages. Includes the contents of the **Getting Started** manual.

Software option manuals

Describe the specific functions of the option. Basic information on operating the R&S FSW is not included.

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The **online manual** provides the contents of the user manuals for the base unit and all software options for immediate display on the internet.

Service Manual

Describes the performance test for checking the rated specifications, module replacement and repair, firmware update, troubleshooting and fault elimination, and contains mechanical drawings and spare part lists.

The service manual is available for **registered** users on the global Rohde & Schwarz information system (GLORIS, https://gloris.rohde-schwarz.com).

Instrument Security Procedures

Deals with security issues when working with the R&S FSW in secure areas.

Data Sheet and Brochures

The data sheet contains the technical specifications of the R&S FSW. Brochures provide an overview of the instrument and deal with the specific characteristics, see:

http://www.rohde-schwarz.com/product/FSW > "Downloads" > "Brochures and Data Sheets"

Release Notes

Describes the firmware installation, new and modified features and fixed issues according to the current firmware version. You find the latest version at:

http://www.rohde-schwarz.com/product/FSW > "Firmware"

Application Notes, Application Cards, White Papers, etc.

These documents deal with special applications or background information on particular topics, see:

http://www.rohde-schwarz.com/ > "Downloads" > "Applications".

1.3 Conventions Used in the Documentation

1.3.1 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 names are written in capital letters. |

Conventions Used in the Documentation

| Convention | Description | |
|------------------------------------|---|--|
| File names, commands, program code | File names, 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. | |

1.3.2 Conventions for Procedure Descriptions

When describing how to operate the instrument, several alternative methods may be available to perform the same task. In this case, the procedure using the touchscreen is described. Any elements that can be activated by touching can also be clicked using an additionally connected mouse. The alternative procedure using the keys on the instrument or the on-screen keyboard is only described if it deviates from the standard operating procedures.

The term "select" may refer to any of the described methods, i.e. using a finger on the touchscreen, a mouse pointer in the display, or a key on the instrument or on a keyboard.

1.3.3 Notes on Screenshots

When describing the functions of the product, we use sample screenshots. These screenshots are meant to illustrate as much as possible of the provided functions and possible interdependencies between parameters.

The screenshots usually show a fully equipped product, that is: with all options installed. Thus, some functions shown in the screenshots may not be available in your particular product configuration.

2 Welcome to the Vector Signal Analysis Application

The R&S FSW-K70 is a firmware application that adds functionality to perform Vector Signal Analysis (VSA) to the R&S FSW.

The R&S FSW VSA application performs vector and scalar measurements on digitally modulated single-carrier signals. To perform the measurements it converts RF signals into the complex baseband. The R&S FSW VSA application can also use the optional Digital Baseband interface or the optional Analog Baseband interface to analyze I/Q signals already delivered to the complex baseband. Use of an optional external mixer is also supported.

The R&S FSW VSA application features:

- Flexible modulation analysis from MSK to 1024QAM
- Numerous standard-specific default settings
- Various graphical, numerical and statistical evaluations and result displays
- Spectrum analyses of the measurement and error signal
- Flexible burst search for the analysis of complex signal combinations, short bursts or signal mix

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 FSW User Manual. The latest version is available for download at the product homepage

(http://www2.rohde-schwarz.com/product/FSW.html).

Installation

You can find detailed installation instructions in the R&S FSW Getting Started manual or in the Release Notes.

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2.1 Introduction to Vector Signal Analysis

The goal of vector signal analysis is to determine the quality of the signal that is transmitted by the device under test (DUT) by comparing it against an ideal signal. The DUT is usually connected with the analyzer via a cable. The key task of the analyzer is to determine the ideal signal. Hence, the analyzer aims to reconstruct the ideal signal from the measured signal that is transmitted by the DUT. This ideal signal is commonly referred to as the *reference signal*, while the signal from the DUT is called the *measurement signal*.

Starting the VSA Application

After extracting the reference signal, the R&S FSW VSA application compares the measurement signal and the reference signal, and the results of this comparison are displayed.

Example:

The most common vector signal analysis measurement is the EVM (Error Vector Magnitude) measurement. Here, the complex baseband reference signal is subtracted from the complex baseband measurement signal. The magnitude of this error vector represents the EVM value. The EVM has the advantage that it "summarizes" all potential errors and distortions in one single value. If the EVM value is low, the signal quality of the DUT is high.

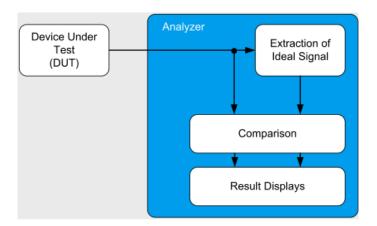


Figure 2-1: Simplified schema of vector signal analysis

2.2 Starting the VSA Application

The VSA application adds a new application to the R&S FSW.

To activate the VSA application

- Select the MODE key.
 A dialog box opens that contains all operating modes and applications currently available on your R&S FSW.
- 2. Select the "VSA" item.



The R&S FSW opens a new measurement channel for the VSA application.

The measurement is started immediately with the default settings. It can be configured in the VSA "Overview" dialog box, which is displayed when you select the "Overview" softkey from any menu (see Chapter 5.1, "Configuration Overview", on page 145).

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Multiple Measurement Channels and Sequencer Function

When you activate an application, a new measurement channel is created which determines the measurement settings for that application. The same application can be activated with different measurement settings by creating several channels 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, in order to perform the configured measurements consecutively, a Sequencer function is provided.

If activated, the measurements configured in the currently active channels 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 FSW User Manual.

2.3 Understanding the Display Information

The following figure shows a measurement diagram during analyzer operation. All different information areas are labeled. They are explained in more detail in the following sections.



- 1 = Channel bar for firmware and measurement settings
- 2+3 = Window title bar with diagram-specific (trace) information
- 4 = Diagram area
- 5 = Diagram footer with diagram-specific information, depending on measurement application
- 6 = Instrument status bar with error messages, progress bar and date/time display

Understanding the Display Information



MSRA/MSRT operating mode

In MSRA and MSRT operating mode, additional tabs and elements are available. A colored background of the screen behind the measurement channel tabs indicates that you are in MSRA/MSRT operating mode.

For details on the MSRA operating mode see the R&S FSW MSRA User Manual. For details on the MSRT operating mode see the R&S FSW Realtime Spectrum Application and MSRT Operating Mode User Manual.

Channel bar information

In VSA application, the R&S FSW shows the following settings:

Table 2-1: Information displayed in the channel bar in VSA application

| Ref Level | Reference level | |
|---|---|--|
| Offset | Reference level offset (if not 0) | |
| Freq | Center frequency for the RF signal | |
| Std | Selected measurement standard or modulation type (if no standard selected) | |
| Res Len | Result Length | |
| Cap Len | Capture Length (instead of result length for capture buffer display), see "Capture Length Settings" on page 189 | |
| SR | Symbol Rate | |
| Att Mechanical and electronic RF attenuation | | |
| Input | Input type of the signal source, see Chapter 5.4.1, "Input Settings", on page 159 | |
| Burst search active (see "Enabling Burst Searches" on page 202 | | |
| Pattern Pattern search active (see "Enabling Pattern Searches" on page 2 | | |
| Stat Count Statistics count for averaging and other statistical operations, see " tic Count" on page 200; cannot be edited directly | | |
| Capt Count Capture count; the current number of captures performed if sever tures are necessary to obtain the number of results defined by "S' Count"; cannot be edited directly | | |
| SGL | The sweep is set to single sweep mode. | |
| | | |

In addition, the channel bar also displays information on instrument settings that affect the measurement results even though this is not immediately apparent from the display of the measured values (e.g. transducer or trigger settings). This information is displayed only when applicable for the current measurement. For details see the R&S FSW Getting Started manual.

Window title bar information

For each diagram, the header provides the following information:

Understanding the Display Information



Figure 2-2: Window title bar information in VSA application

- 1 = Window name
- 2 = Result type
- 3 = Data source type
- 4 = Trace color
- 5 = Displayed signal for Meas&Ref or multi data source: M (Meas), R (Ref), C (Capture buffer), E (Error)
- 6 = Trace mode

Diagram area

The diagram area displays the results according to the selected result displays (see Chapter 3, "Measurements and Result Displays", on page 16).

Diagram footer information

The diagram footer (beneath the diagram) contains the start and stop symbols or time of the evaluation range.

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.

3 Measurements and Result Displays

Various different result displays for VSA measurements are available. Which result types are available depends on the selected data source. You can define which part of the measured signal is to be evaluated and displayed.

The determined result and evaluation ranges are included in the result displays (where useful) to visualize the basis of the displayed values and traces.

For background information on the result and evaluation ranges see Chapter 4.6, "Measurement Ranges", on page 134.)

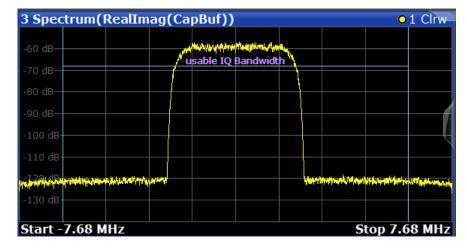
3.1 Evaluation Data Sources in VSA

All data sources for evaluation available for VSA are displayed in the evaluation bar in SmartGrid mode.

The data source determines which result types are available (see Table 3-1). For details on selecting the data source for evaluation see Chapter 6.5, "Display and Window Configuration", on page 240.



In diagrams in the frequency domain (Spectrum transformation, see "Result Type Transformation" on page 242) the usable I/Q bandwidth is indicated by vertical blue lines.



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Capture Buffer

The captured I/Q data

In capture buffer result diagrams the result ranges are indicated by green bars along the time axis. The currently displayed result range is indicated by a blue bar.

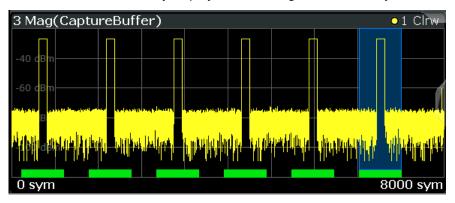


Figure 3-1: Result ranges for a burst signal

Note: You can use the capture buffer display to navigate through the available result ranges (using Select Result Rng function), and analyze the individual result ranges in separate windows.

You can change the position of the result range quickly and easily by dragging the blue bar representing the result range to a different position in the capture buffer.

If the optional 2 GHz bandwidth extension (R&S FSW-B2000) is active, the capture buffer is restricted to 256,000 samples; thus, all data is included in one single range.

The default result type is "Magnitude Absolute".

The following result types are available:

- Chapter 3.2.21, "Magnitude Absolute", on page 41
- Chapter 3.2.22, "Magnitude Overview Absolute", on page 42
- Chapter 3.2.28, "Real/Imag (I/Q)", on page 48
- Chapter 3.2.11, "Frequency Absolute", on page 32
- Chapter 3.2.34, "Vector I/Q", on page 57

Remote command:

LAY: ADD? '1', BEL, TCAP(see LAYout: ADD[:WINDow]? on page 446)

Measurement & Reference Signal

The measurement signal or the ideal reference signal (or both)

The default result type is "Magnitude Relative".

The following result types are available:

- Chapter 3.2.21, "Magnitude Absolute", on page 41
- Chapter 3.2.23, "Magnitude Relative", on page 44
- Chapter 3.2.26, "Phase Wrap", on page 46
- Chapter 3.2.27, "Phase Unwrap", on page 47
- Chapter 3.2.11, "Frequency Absolute", on page 32

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- Chapter 3.2.28, "Real/Imag (I/Q)", on page 48
- Chapter 3.2.10, "Eye Diagram Real (I)", on page 31
- Chapter 3.2.9, "Eye Diagram Imag (Q)", on page 30
- Chapter 3.2.8, "Eye Diagram Frequency", on page 29
- Chapter 3.2.5, "Constellation I/Q", on page 26
- Chapter 3.2.34, "Vector I/Q", on page 57
- Chapter 3.2.4, "Constellation Frequency", on page 25
- Chapter 3.2.33, "Vector Frequency", on page 57

LAY: ADD? '1', BEL, REF(see LAYout: ADD[:WINDow]? on page 446)

Symbols

The detected symbols (i.e. the detected bits) displayed in a table;

The default result type is a hexadecimal symbol table.

Other formats for the symbol table are available, but no other result types (see Chapter 3.2.32, "Symbol Table", on page 55).

Remote command:

```
LAY: ADD? '1', BEL, SYMB(see LAYout: ADD[:WINDow]? on page 446)
```

Error Vector

The modulated difference between the complex measurement signal and the complex reference signal:

Modulation (measurement signal - reference signal)

For example: EVM = Mag(meas - ref)

The default result type is "EVM".

The following result types are available:

- Chapter 3.2.7, "Error Vector Magnitude (EVM)", on page 28
- Chapter 3.2.28, "Real/Imag (I/Q)", on page 48
- Chapter 3.2.34, "Vector I/Q", on page 57

Remote command:

```
LAY: ADD? '1', BEL, EVEC(see LAYout: ADD[:WINDow]? on page 446)
```

Modulation Errors

The difference between the modulated complex samples in the measurement and the modulated reference signal:

Modulation (measurement signal) - Modulation (reference signal)

For example: Magnitude Error = Mag(meas) - Mag(ref)

The default result type is "Magnitude Error".

The following result types are available:

- Chapter 3.2.21, "Magnitude Absolute", on page 41
- Chapter 3.2.25, "Phase Error", on page 45
- Chapter 3.2.13, "Frequency Error Absolute", on page 34
- Chapter 3.2.14, "Frequency Error Relative", on page 35

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Remote command:

LAY: ADD? '1', BEL, MERR(see LAYout: ADD[:WINDow]? on page 446)

Modulation Accuracy

Parameters that characterize the accuracy of modulation.

The default result type is "Result Summary".

The following result types are available:

- Chapter 3.2.29, "Result Summary", on page 49
- Chapter 3.2.1, "Bit Error Rate (BER)", on page 22

The results of a modulation accuracy measurement can be checked for violation of defined limits automatically. If limit check is activated and the measured values exceed the limits, those values are indicated in red in the result summary table. If limit check is activated and no values exceed the limits, the checked values are indicated in green.



Remote command:

LAY: ADD? '1', BEL, MACC(see LAYout: ADD[:WINDow]? on page 446)

Equalizer

Filter characteristics of the equalizer used to compensate for channel distortion and parameters of the distortion itself.

The following result types are available:

- Chapter 3.2.18, "Impulse Response Magnitude", on page 39
- Chapter 3.2.19, "Impulse Response Phase", on page 40
- Chapter 3.2.20, "Impulse Response Real/Imag", on page 40
- Chapter 3.2.16, "Frequency Response Magnitude", on page 37
- Chapter 3.2.17, "Frequency Response Phase", on page 38
- Chapter 3.2.15, "Frequency Response Group Delay", on page 37
- Chapter 3.2.3, "Channel Frequency Response Magnitude", on page 25
- Chapter 3.2.2, "Channel Frequency Response Group Delay", on page 24

The default result type is "Frequency Response Magnitude".

Remote command:

LAY: ADD? '1', BEL, EQU(see LAYout: ADD[:WINDow]? on page 446)

Result Types in VSA

Multi Source

Combines two data sources in one diagram, with (initially) one trace for each data source. This allows you to compare the errors to the captured or measured data directly in the diagram.

The default result type is "Spec (Meas+Error)".

The following result types are available:

- Chapter 3.2.30, "Spectrum (Capture Buffer + Error)", on page 54
- Chapter 3.2.31, "Spectrum (Measurement + Error)", on page 54

Remote command:

LAY: ADD? '1', RIGH, MCOM, see LAYout: ADD[:WINDow]? on page 446

Result Types in VSA 3.2

The available result types for a window depend on the selected evaluation data source.



The SCPI parameters in the following table refer to the CALC: FORM command, see CALCulate<n>: FORMat on page 454.

Table 3-1: Available result types depending on data source

| Evaluation Data Source | Result Type | SCPI Parameter |
|---------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------|
| Capture Buffer | Magnitude Absolute | MAGNitude |
| | Real/Imag (I/Q) | RIMag |
| | Frequency Absolute | FREQuency |
| | Vector I/Q | COMP |
| | Magnitude Overview Absolute | MOVerview |
| Meas & Ref Signal | Magnitude Absolute | MAGNitude |
| | Magnitude Relative | MAGNitude |
| | Phase Wrap | PHASe |
| | Phase Unwrap | UPHase |
| | Frequency Absolute | FREQuency |
| | Frequency Relative | FREQuency |
| | Real/Imag (I/Q) | RIMag |
| | Eye Diagram Real (I) | IEYE |
| | Eye Diagram Imag (Q) | QEYE |
| | Eye Diagram Frequency | FEYE |
| | Constellation I/Q | CONS |
| | Constellation I/Q (Rotated) | RCON |

Result Types in VSA

| Evaluation Data Source | Result Type | SCPI Parameter |
|---------------------------|---|--------------------|
| | Vector I/Q | COMP |
| | Constellation Frequency | CONF |
| | Vector Frequency | COVF |
| Symbols | Binary | - |
| | Octal | - |
| | Decimal | - |
| | Hexadecimal | - |
| Error Vector | EVM | MAGNitude |
| | Real/Imag (I/Q) | RIMag |
| | Vector I/Q | COMP |
| Modulation Errors | Magnitude Error | MAGNitude |
| | Phase Error | PHASe |
| | Frequency Error Absolute | FREQuency |
| | Frequency Error Relative | FREQuency |
| Modulation Accuracy | Bit Error Rate | BERate |
| | Result Summary | RSUM |
| Equalizer | Impulse Response Magnitude | MAGNitude |
| | Impulse Response Phase | UPHase |
| | Impulse Response Real/Image | RIMag |
| | Frequency Response Magnitude | MAGNitude |
| | Frequency Response Phase | UPHase |
| | Frequency Response Group Delay | GDELay |
| | Channel Frequency Response Magnitude | MAGNitude |
| | Channel Frequency Response Group Delay | GDELay |
| Multi Source | Spectrum (Real/Imag) (Capture buffer + Error) | RIMag (query only) |
| | Spectrum (Real/Imag) (Measurement + Error) | RIMag (query only) |

For details on selecting the data source and result types for evaluation see Chapter 6.5, "Display and Window Configuration", on page 240.

Remote command:

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| • | Bit Error Rate (BER) | .22 |
|---|--|-----|
| • | Channel Frequency Response Group Delay | 24 |
| • | Channel Frequency Response Magnitude | |
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| • | Result Summary | |
| • | Spectrum (Capture Buffer + Error) | .54 |
| • | Spectrum (Measurement + Error) | 54 |
| • | Symbol Table | 55 |
| • | Vector Frequency | .57 |
| | Vector I/O | 57 |

3.2.1 Bit Error Rate (BER)

A bit error rate (BER) measurement compares the transmitted bits with the determined symbol decision bits:

BER = error bits / number of analyzed bits

As a prerequisite for this measurement, the VSA application must know which bit sequences are correct, i.e. which bit sequences may occur. This knowledge must be provided as a list of possible data sequences in xml format, which is loaded in the VSA application (see Chapter 4.9, "Known Data Files - Dependencies and Restrictions", on page 141).



Auxiliary tool to create Known Data files

An auxiliary tool to create Known Data files from data that is already available in the R&S FSW VSA application is provided in the instrument free of charge.

See Chapter 8.2.4.2, "How to Create Known Data Files", on page 260.

If such a file is loaded in the application, the BER result display is available.

Available for source types:

Modulation Accuracy



Note that this measurement may take some time, as each symbol decision must be compared to the possible data sequences one by one.

The BER measurement is an indicator for the quality of the demodulated signal. High BER values indicate problems such as:

- inadequate demodulation settings
- poor quality in the source data
- false or missing sequences in the Known Data file
- result range alignment leads to a mismatch of the input data with the defined sequences

A BER value of 0.5 means that for at least one measurement no matching sequence was found.

See also Chapter 4.4.3, "Demodulation and Symbol Decisions", on page 109



The following information is provided in the BER result display:

- Bit Error Rate: error bits / number of analyzed bits
- Total # of Errors: number of detected bit errors (known data compared to symbol decisions)
- Total # of Bits: number of analyzed bits

For each of these results, the following values are provided:

| BER Result | Description |
|--------------|---|
| Current | Value for current result range |
| Minimum | Minimum "Current" value during the current measurement |
| Maximum | Maximum "Current" value during the current measurement |
| Accumulative | Total value over several measurements; for BER: Total # of Errors / Total # of Bits (similar to average function) |

LAY: ADD? '1', BEL, MACC

to define the required source type (see LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]? on page 446)

CALC: FORM BER

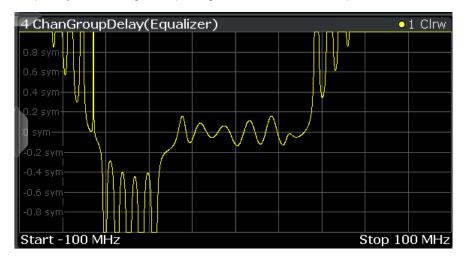
to define the result type (see CALCulate<n>: FORMat on page 454)

CALC:BER?

to query the results (see CALCulate<n>:BERate on page 469)

3.2.2 Channel Frequency Response Group Delay

The Frequency Response Group Delay of the channel is the derivation of phase over frequency for the original input signal. It is a measure of phase distortion.



Remote commands:

LAY: ADD? '1', BEL, EQU

to define the required source type (see LAYout: ADD[:WINDow]? on page 446)

CALC: FEED 'XFR: DDEM: IRAT'

to define the channel frequency response result type (see CALCulate<n>: FEED on page 454)

CALC: FORM GDEL

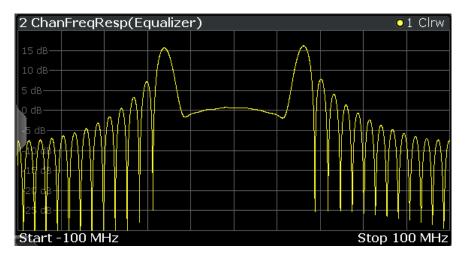
to define the group delay result type (see CALCulate<n>: FORMat on page 454)

TRAC:DATA? TRACE1

to query the trace results (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and Chapter 11.9.2.6, "Equalizer", on page 467)

3.2.3 Channel Frequency Response Magnitude

The frequency response magnitude of the channel indicates which distortions occurred during transmission of the input signal. It is only determined if the equalizer is activated.



The bandwidth for which the channel transfer function can be estimated is not only limited by the usable I/Q bandwidth, but also by the bandwidth of the analyzed input signal. Areas with low reception power, e.g. at the filter edges, may suffer from less accurate estimation results.

Remote commands:

LAY: ADD? '1', BEL, EQU

to define the required source type (see LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]? on page 446)

CALC: FEED 'XFR: DDEM: IRAT'

to define the channel frequency response result type (see CALCulate<n>: FEED on page 454)

CALC: FORM MAGN

to define the magnitude result type (see CALCulate<n>: FORMat on page 454)

TRAC:DATA? TRACE1

to query the trace results (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and Chapter 11.9.2.6, "Equalizer", on page 467)

3.2.4 Constellation Frequency

The instantaneous frequency of the source signal (without inter-symbol interference) as an X/Y plot; only the symbol decision instants are drawn and not connected.

Available for source types:

Meas & Ref Signal



Figure 3-2: Result display "Constellation Frequency"

LAY:ADD? '1', BEL, MEAS

to define the required source type (see LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]? on page 446)

CALC: FORM CONF

to define the result type (see CALCulate<n>: FORMat on page 454)

TRAC:DATA? TRACE1

to query the trace results (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and Chapter 11.9.2.3, "Polar Diagrams", on page 466)

3.2.5 Constellation I/Q

The complex source signal (without inter-symbol interference) as an X/Y plot; only the (de-rotated) symbol decision instants are drawn and not connected

Available for source types:

Meas & Ref Signal

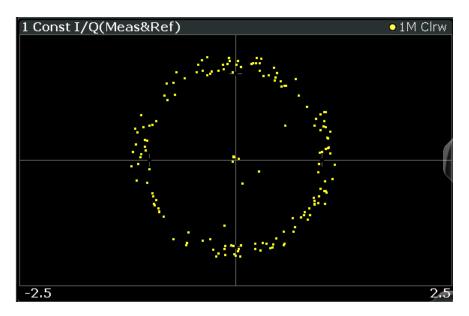


Figure 3-3: Constellation I/Q diagram for QPSK modulated signal

LAY:ADD? '1', BEL, MEAS

to define the required source type (see LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]? on page 446)

CALC: FORM CONS

to define the result type (see CALCulate<n>: FORMat on page 454)

TRAC:DATA? TRACE1

to query the trace results (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and Chapter 11.9.2.3, "Polar Diagrams", on page 466)

3.2.6 Constellation I/Q (Rotated)

The complex source signal as an X/Y plot; As opposed to the common Constellation I/Q display, the symbol decision instants, *including the rotated ones*, are drawn and not connected.

Available for source types:

Meas & Ref Signal
 This result type is only available for signals with a rotating modulation.



Figure 3-4: Result display "Constellation I/Q (Rotated)" vs. common "Constellation I/Q" for 3π/8-8PSK modulation

LAY:ADD? '1', BEL, MEAS

to define the required source type (see LAYout: ADD[:WINDow]? on page 446)

CALC: FORM RCON

to define the result type (see CALCulate<n>: FORMat on page 454)

TRAC: DATA? TRACE1

to query the trace results (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and Chapter 11.9.2.3, "Polar Diagrams", on page 466)

3.2.7 Error Vector Magnitude (EVM)

Displays the error vector magnitude as a function of symbols or time.

$$EVM(t) = \frac{|EV(t)|}{C}$$

with $t=n\cdot T_D$ and T_D =the duration of one sampling period at the sample rate defined by the display points per symbol parameter (see "Display Points/Sym" on page 242).

The normalization constant C is chosen according to the EVM normalization. By default C² is the mean power of the reference signal.

$$C = \sqrt{\frac{1}{K} \sum_{k} |REF(k \cdot T)|^2}$$

and

T =duration of symbol periods

Note that k=0.5·n·T for Offset QPSK with inactive Offset EVM.

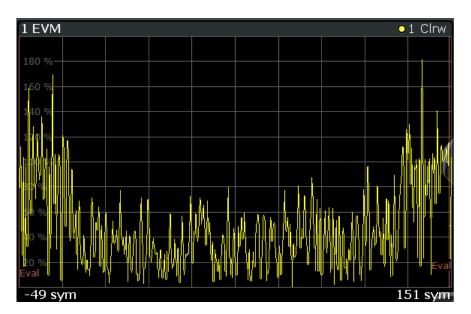


Figure 3-5: Result display "Error Vector Magnitude"

Available for source types:

Error Vector

Remote commands:

LAY: ADD? '1', BEL, EVEC

to define the required source type (see LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]? on page 446)

CALC: FORM MAGN

to define the result type (see CALCulate<n>: FORMat on page 454)

TRAC:DATA? TRACE1

to query the trace results (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and Chapter 11.9.2.2, "Cartesian Diagrams", on page 466)

3.2.8 Eye Diagram Frequency

The eye diagram of the currently measured frequencies and/or the reference signal. The time span of the data depends on the evaluation range (capture buffer).

Available for source types:

Meas & Ref Signal



Display lines are available in eye diagrams which allow you to determine the size of the eye, see also Chapter 8.3.2, "How to Measure the Size of an Eye", on page 266.

Remote commands:

LAY:ADD? '1',BEL,MEAS

to define the required source type (see LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]? on page 446)

CALC: FORM FEYE

to define the result type (see CALCulate<n>: FORMat on page 454)

TRAC: DATA? TRACE1

to query the trace results (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and Chapter 11.9.2.2, "Cartesian Diagrams", on page 466)

Chapter 11.7.3, "Configuring Display Lines for Eye Diagrams", on page 431

3.2.9 Eye Diagram Imag (Q)

The eye pattern of the quadrature (Q) channel; the x-axis range is from -1 to +1 symbols (MSK: -2 to +2)

Available for source types:

Meas & Ref Signal

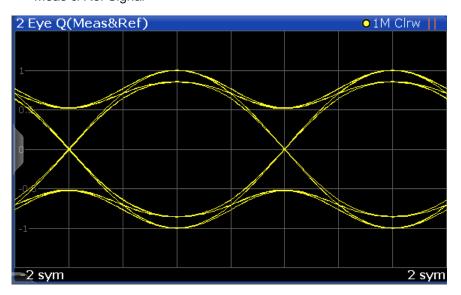


Figure 3-6: Result display "Eye Diagram Imag (Q)"



Display lines are available in eye diagrams which allow you to determine the size of the eye, see also Chapter 8.3.2, "How to Measure the Size of an Eye", on page 266.

Remote commands:

LAY: ADD? '1', BEL, MEAS

to define the required source type (see LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]? on page 446)

CALC: FORM QEYE

to define the result type (see CALCulate<n>: FORMat on page 454)

TRAC: DATA? TRACE1

to query the trace results (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and Chapter 11.9.2.2, "Cartesian Diagrams", on page 466)

Chapter 11.7.3, "Configuring Display Lines for Eye Diagrams", on page 431

3.2.10 Eye Diagram Real (I)

The eye pattern of the inphase (I) channel; the x-axis value range is from -1 to +1 symbols (MSK: -2 to +2)

Available for source types:

Meas & Ref Signal

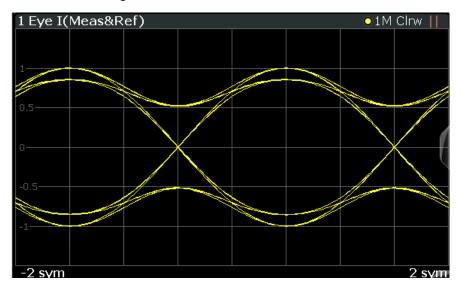


Figure 3-7: Result display "Eye Diagram Real (I)"



Display lines are available in eye diagrams which allow you to determine the size of the eye, see also Chapter 8.3.2, "How to Measure the Size of an Eye", on page 266.

Remote commands:

LAY:ADD? '1', BEL, MEAS

to define the required source type (see LAYout: ADD[:WINDow]? on page 446)

CALC: FORM IEYE

to define the result type (see CALCulate<n>: FORMat on page 454)

TRAC:DATA? TRACE1

to query the trace results (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and Chapter 11.9.2.2, "Cartesian Diagrams", on page 466)

Chapter 11.7.3, "Configuring Display Lines for Eye Diagrams", on page 431

Result Types in VSA

3.2.11 Frequency Absolute

The instantaneous frequency of the signal source; the absolute value is displayed in Hz.

Available for source types:

- Meas & Ref Signal
- Capture Buffer

Meas&Ref signal:

$$FREQ_{MEAS}(t) = \frac{1}{2 \cdot \pi} \frac{d}{dt} \angle MEAS(t)$$

with $t=n\cdot T_D$ and T_D =the duration of one sampling period at the sample rate defined by the display points per symbol parameter (see "Display Points/Sym" on page 242).

Capture buffer:

$$FREQ_{CAPT}(t) = \frac{1}{2 \cdot \pi} \frac{d}{dt} \angle Capt(t)$$

When evaluating the capture buffer, the absolute frequency is derived from the measured phase, with T_D=the duration of one sampling period at the sample rate (see "Sample Rate" on page 190).

Note that this result display is based on an individual capture buffer *range*. If more than 256,000 samples are captured, overlapping ranges with a size of 256,000 each are created. Only one range at a time can be displayed in the Frequency Absolute result display. For details see Chapter 4.8, "Capture Buffer Display", on page 140.



This measurement is mainly of interest when using the MSK or FSK modulation, but can also be used for the PSK/QAM modulations. However, since these modulations can have transitions through zero in the I/Q plane, in this case you might notice uncritical spikes. This is due to the fact that the phase of zero (or a complex value close to zero) is of limited significance, but still influences the result of the instantaneous frequency measurement.

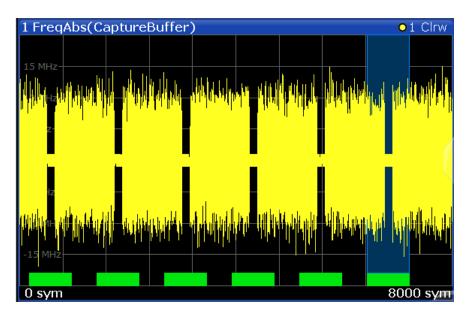


Figure 3-8: Result display "Frequency Absolute"

LAY:ADD? '1', BEL, MEAS

to define the required source type (see LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]? on page 446)

CALC: FORM FREQ

to define the result type (see CALCulate<n>: FORMat on page 454)

TRAC:DATA? TRACE1

to query the trace results (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and Chapter 11.9.2.1, "Capture Buffer Results", on page 465/Chapter 11.9.2.2, "Cartesian Diagrams", on page 466)

3.2.12 Frequency Relative

The instantaneous frequency of the signal source.

The results are normalized to the symbol rate (PSK and QAM modulated signals), the estimated FSK deviation (FSK modulated signals) or one quarter of the symbol rate (MSK modulated signals).

$$FREQ_{MEAS}(t) = \frac{1}{2 \cdot \pi} \frac{d}{dt} \angle MEAS(t)$$

with $t=n\cdot T_D$ and T_D =the duration of one sampling period at the sample rate defined by the display points per symbol parameter (see "Display Points/Sym" on page 242).



This measurement is mainly of interest when using the MSK or FSK modulation, but can also be used for the PSK/QAM modulations. See also the note for Chapter 3.2.11, "Frequency Absolute", on page 32.

Available for source types:

Meas & Ref Signal

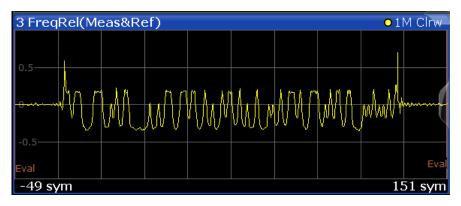


Figure 3-9: Result display "Frequency Relative"

Remote commands:

LAY:ADD? '1', BEL, MEAS

to define the required source type (see LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]? on page 446)

CALC: FORM FREQ

to define the result type (see CALCulate<n>: FORMat on page 454)

DISP:TRAC:Y:MODE REL

to define relative values (see DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]: MODE on page 459)

TRAC:DATA? TRACE1

to query the trace results (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and Chapter 11.9.2.2, "Cartesian Diagrams", on page 466)

3.2.13 Frequency Error Absolute

Displays the error of the instantaneous frequency in Hz of the measurement signal with respect to the reference signal as a function of symbols over time.

$$FREQ_ERR(t) = FREQ_{MEAS}(t) - FREQ_{REF}(t)$$

with $t=n\cdot T_D$ and T_D =the duration of one sampling period at the sample rate defined by the display points per symbol parameter (see "Display Points/Sym" on page 242).

Note that this measurement does not consider a possible carrier frequency offset. This has already been compensated for in the measurement signal.



This measurement is mainly of interest when using the MSK or FSK modulation, but can also be used for the PSK/QAM modulations. However, since these modulations can have transitions through zero in the I/Q plane, in this case you might notice uncritical spikes. This is due to the fact that the phase of zero (or a complex value close to zero) has in fact limited significance, but still influences the result of the current frequency measurement.

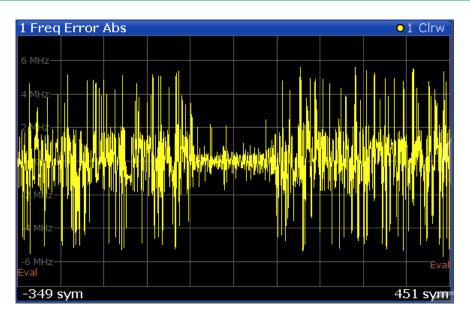


Figure 3-10: Result display "Frequency Error Absolute"

Available for source types:

Modulation Errors

Remote commands:

LAY:ADD? '1', BEL, MERR

to define the required source type (see LAYout: ADD[:WINDow]? on page 446)

CALC: FORM FREQ

to define the result type (see CALCulate<n>: FORMat on page 454)

TRAC: DATA? TRACE1

to query the trace results (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and Chapter 11.9.2.2, "Cartesian Diagrams", on page 466)

3.2.14 Frequency Error Relative

Displays the error of the instantaneous frequency of the measurement signal with respect to the reference signal as a function of symbols over time.

The results are normalized to the symbol rate (PSK and QAM modulated signals), the estimated FSK deviation (FSK modulated signals) or one quarter of the symbol rate (MSK modulated signals).

$$FREQ_ERR(t) = FREQ_{MEAS}(t) - FREQ_{REF}(t)$$

with $t=n\cdot T_D$ and T_D =the duration of one sampling period at the sample rate defined by the display points per symbol parameter (see "Display Points/Sym" on page 242).



This measurement is mainly of interest when using the MSK or FSK modulation, but can also be used for the PSK/QAM modulations. See also the note for Chapter 3.2.13, "Frequency Error Absolute", on page 34.

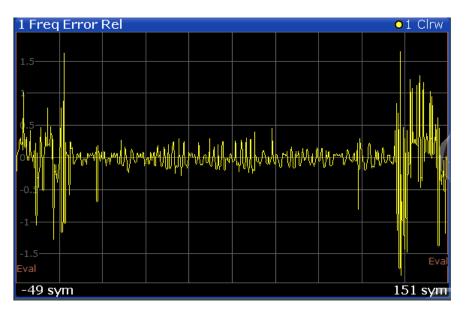


Figure 3-11: Result display "Frequency Error Relative"

Available for source types:

Modulation Errors

Remote commands:

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LAY:ADD? '1', BEL, MERR
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to define the required source type (see LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]? on page 446)

CALC: FORM FREQ

to define the result type (see CALCulate<n>: FORMat on page 454)

DISP:TRAC:Y:MODE REL

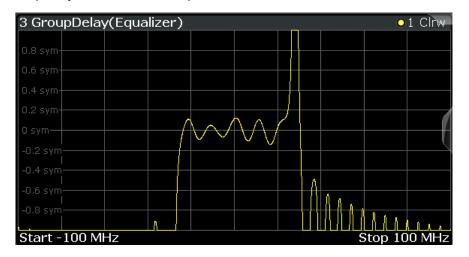
to define relative values (see DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]: MODE on page 459)

TRAC:DATA? TRACE1

to query the trace results (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and Chapter 11.9.2.2, "Cartesian Diagrams", on page 466)

3.2.15 Frequency Response Group Delay

The Frequency Response Group Delay of the equalizer is the derivation of phase over frequency. It is a measure of phase distortion.



Available for source types:

Equalizer

Remote commands:

LAY:ADD? '1', BEL, EQU

to define the required source type (see LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]? on page 446)

CALC: FEED 'XFR: DDEM: RAT'

to define the frequency response result type (see CALCulate<n>: FEED on page 454)

CALC: FORM GDEL

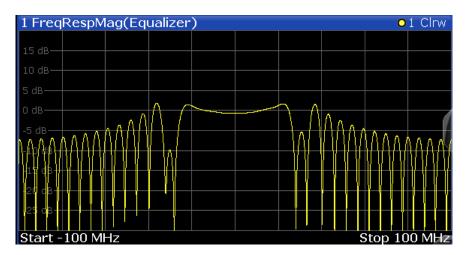
to define the group delay result type (see CALCulate<n>: FORMat on page 454)

TRAC: DATA? TRACE1

to query the trace results (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and Chapter 11.9.2.6, "Equalizer", on page 467)

3.2.16 Frequency Response Magnitude

Magnitude of the frequency response of the current equalizer. Note that the frequency response of the equalizer is not a pure inverted function of the channel response, as both functions are calculated independently. The frequency response is calculated by determining an optimal EVM for the input signal.



Available for source types:

Equalizer

Remote commands:

LAY:ADD? '1',BEL,EQU

to define the required source type (see LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]? on page 446)

CALC: FEED 'XFR: DDEM: RAT'

to define the frequency response result type (see CALCulate<n>: FEED on page 454)

CALC: FORM MAGN

to define the magnitude result type (see CALCulate<n>: FORMat on page 454)

TRAC:DATA? TRACE1

to query the trace results (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and Chapter 11.9.2.6, "Equalizer", on page 467)

3.2.17 Frequency Response Phase

Phase of the frequency response of the current equalizer.

Available for source types:

Equalizer

Remote commands:

LAY:ADD? '1',BEL,EQU

to define the required source type (see LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]? on page 446)

CALC: FEED 'XFR: DDEM: RAT'

to define the frequency response result type (see CALCulate < n > : FEED on page 454)

CALC: FORM UPH

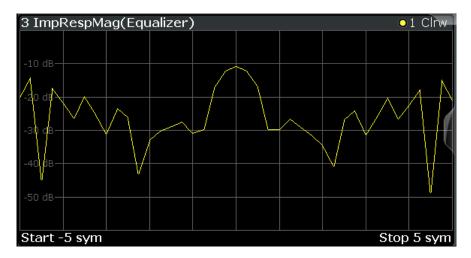
to define the unwrapped phase result type (see CALCulate<n>: FORMat on page 454)

TRAC: DATA? TRACE1

to query the trace results (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and Chapter 11.9.2.6, "Equalizer", on page 467)

3.2.18 Impulse Response Magnitude

The Impulse Response Magnitude shows the magnitude of the equalizer filter in the time domain.



Available for source types:

Equalizer

Remote commands:

LAY:ADD? '1',BEL,EQU

to define the required source type (see LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]? on page 446)

CALC: FEED 'XTIM: DDEM: IMP'

to define the impulse response result type (see CALCulate<n>: FEED on page 454)

CALC: FORM MAGN

to define the magnitude result type (see CALCulate<n>: FORMat on page 454)

TRAC:DATA? TRACE1

to query the trace results (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and Chapter 11.9.2.6, "Equalizer", on page 467)

3.2.19 Impulse Response Phase

The Impulse Response Phase shows the phase of the equalizer coefficients in the time domain.



Available for source types:

Equalizer

Remote commands:

LAY:ADD? '1', BEL, EQU

to define the required source type (see LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]? on page 446)

CALC: FEED 'XTIM: DDEM: IMP'

to define the impulse response result type (see CALCulate<n>: FEED on page 454)

CALC: FORM UPH

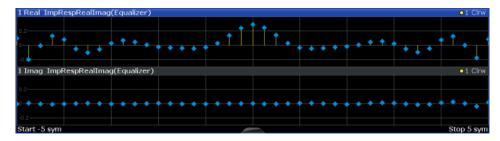
to define the phase result type (see CALCulate<n>: FORMat on page 454)

TRAC:DATA? TRACE1

to query the trace results (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and Chapter 11.9.2.6, "Equalizer", on page 467)

3.2.20 Impulse Response Real/Imag

The Real/Imag diagram of the impulse response is a stem diagram. It displays the filter characteristics in the time domain for both the I and the Q branches individually. Using this information the equalizer is uniquely characterized and can be recreated by other applications.



Available for source types:

Equalizer

Remote commands:

LAY: ADD? '1', BEL, EQU

to define the required source type (see LAYout: ADD[:WINDow]? on page 446)

CALC: FEED 'XTIM: DDEM: IMP'

to define the impulse response result type (see CALCulate<n>: FEED on page 454)

CALC: FORM RIM

to define the real/image result type (see CALCulate<n>:FORMat on page 454)

TRAC:DATA? TRACE1

to query the trace results (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and Chapter 11.9.2.6, "Equalizer", on page 467)

3.2.21 Magnitude Absolute

Magnitude of the source signal in an individual capture buffer *range* (max. 256,000 samples).

If more than 256,000 samples are captured, overlapping result ranges with a size of 256,000 samples each are created. Only one range at a time can be displayed in the Magnitude Absolute result display.

To scroll through the samples in different ranges, use the "Sweep > Select Result Rng" function or - directly after a sweep - turn the rotary knob. When you scroll in the diagram, the right edge of the current range or the selected result range is displayed in the center of the next range, if possible.

To display the entire capture buffer with all ranges in one diagram, use the Magnitude Overview Absolute result display.

Note that trace modes that calculate results for several sweeps (Average, MinHold, MaxHold) are applied to the individual ranges and thus may not provide useful results in this result display.

For more information on result ranges see Chapter 4.8, "Capture Buffer Display", on page 140.

In the Magnitude Absolute result display, the actual signal amplitude is displayed:

$$Mag_{MEAS}(t) = |MEAS(t)|$$

with t=n·T_D and

T_D=the duration of one sampling period at the defined sample rate defined by the display points per symbol parameter (see "Display Points/Sym" on page 242)

Available for source types:

- Capture Buffer
- Meas & Ref Signal (Displays the actual signal amplitude for the selected evaluation range)

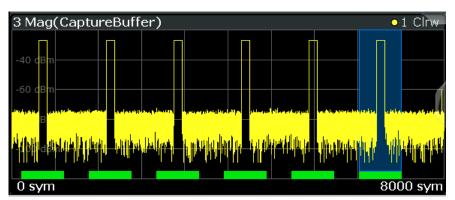


Figure 3-12: Result display "Magnitude Absolute" for capture buffer data

Remote commands:

LAY:ADD? '1',BEL,CBUF

to define the required source type (see LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]? on page 446)

CALC: FORM MAGN

to define the result type (see CALCulate<n>: FORMat on page 454)

TRAC:DATA? TRACE1

to query the trace results (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and Chapter 11.9.2.1, "Capture Buffer Results", on page 465)

3.2.22 Magnitude Overview Absolute

Magnitude of the source signal in the *entire* capture buffer; the actual signal amplitude is displayed:

$$Mag_{MEAS}(t) = |MEAS(t)|$$

with t=n·T_D and

T_D=the duration of one sampling period at the sample rate defined by the display points per symbol parameter (see "Display Points/Sym" on page 242)

Note that for very large numbers of samples (>25,000), the samples are mapped to 25,000 trace points using an autopeak detector for display. Thus, this result display is not suitable to detect transient effects or analyze individual symbols closely. For these purposes, use the Magnitude Absolute result display instead.

The Magnitude Overview Absolute is only available for the source type:

Capture Buffer

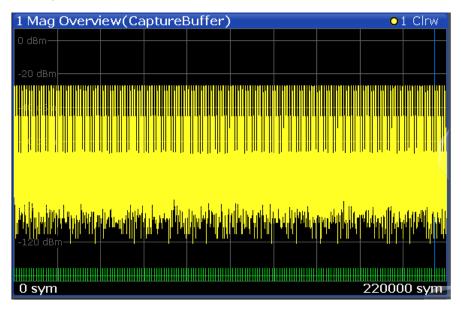


Figure 3-13: Result display "Magnitude Overview Absolute" for capture buffer data

Restrictions

Note the following restrictions that apply to this result display:

- Only one trace is available
- Only the trace modes "Clear/Write" and "View" are available.
 See also Chapter 6.1, "Trace Settings", on page 227.

Remote commands:

LAY:ADD? '1',BEL,CBUF

to define the required source type (see LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]? on page 446)

CALC: FORM MOV

to define the result type (see CALCulate<n>: FORMat on page 454)

TRAC:DATA? TRACE1

to query the trace results (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and Chapter 11.9.2.1, "Capture Buffer Results", on page 465)

3.2.23 Magnitude Relative

Magnitude of the source signal; the signal amplitude is scaled to the ideal reference signal

Available for source types:

Meas & Ref Signal

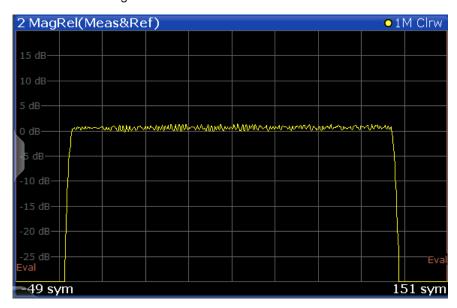


Figure 3-14: Result display "Magnitude Relative"

Remote commands:

```
LAY:ADD? '1',BEL,MEAS
```

to define the required source type (see LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]? on page 446)

CALC: FORM MAGN

to define the result type (see CALCulate<n>: FORMat on page 454)

DISP:TRAC:Y:MODE REL

to define relative values (see DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]: MODE on page 459)

TRAC:DATA? TRACE1

to query the trace results (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and Chapter 11.9.2.2, "Cartesian Diagrams", on page 466)

3.2.24 Magnitude Error

Displays the magnitude error of the measurement signal with respect to the reference signal (as a function of symbols over time)

$$MAG_ERR(t) = MAG_{MEAS}(t) - MAG_{REF}(t)$$

with $t=n\cdot T_D$ and T_D =the duration of one sampling period at the sample rate defined by the display points per symbol parameter (see "Display Points/Sym" on page 242).

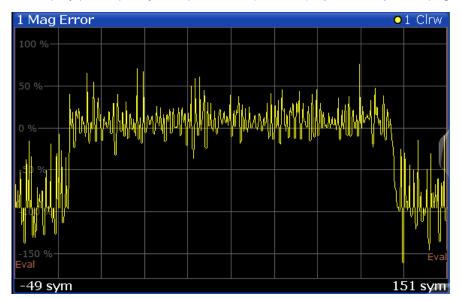


Figure 3-15: Result display "Magnitude Error"

Available for source types:

Modulation Errors

Remote commands:

LAY:ADD? '1', BEL, MERR

to define the required source type (see LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]? on page 446)

CALC: FORM MAGN

to define the result type (see CALCulate<n>: FORMat on page 454)

TRAC:DATA? TRACE1

to query the trace results (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and Chapter 11.9.2.2, "Cartesian Diagrams", on page 466)

3.2.25 Phase Error

Displays the phase error of the measurement signal with respect to the reference signal as a function of symbols over time.

$$PHASE_ERR(t) = PHASE_{MEAS}(t) - PHASE_{REF}(t)$$

with $t=n \cdot T_D$ and T_D =the duration of one sampling period at the sample rate defined by the display points per symbol parameter (see "Display Points/Sym" on page 242).

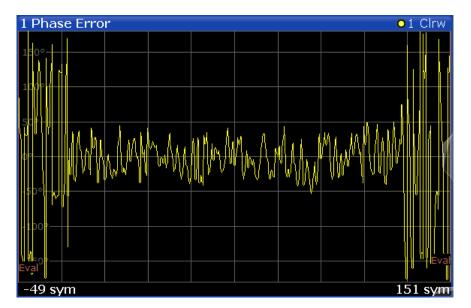


Figure 3-16: Result display "Phase Error"

Available for source types:

Modulation Errors

Remote commands:

LAY:ADD? '1', BEL, MERR

to define the required source type (see LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]? on page 446)

CALC: FORM PHAS

to define the result type (see CALCulate<n>: FORMat on page 454)

TRAC:DATA? TRACE1

to query the trace results (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and Chapter 11.9.2.2, "Cartesian Diagrams", on page 466)

3.2.26 Phase Wrap

The phase or argument of the signal; the display is limited to the phase value range of [-180°, 180°]

$$Phase_{MEAS}(t) = \angle (MEAS(t))$$

with $t=n\cdot T_D$ and T_D =the duration of one sampling period at the sample rate defined by the display points per symbol parameter (see "Display Points/Sym" on page 242).

Available for source types:

Meas & Ref Signal

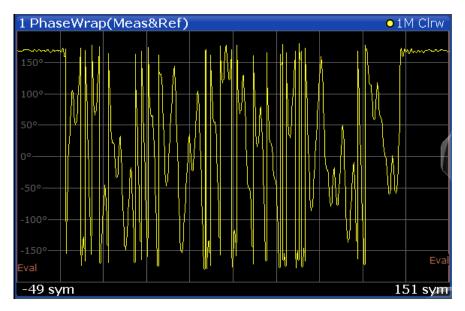


Figure 3-17: Result display "Phase Wrap"

Remote commands:

LAY:ADD? '1',BEL,REF

to define the required source type (see LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]? on page 446)

CALC: FORM PHASe

to define the result type (see CALCulate<n>: FORMat on page 454)

TRAC:DATA? TRACE1

to query the trace results (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and Chapter 11.9.2.2, "Cartesian Diagrams", on page 466)

3.2.27 Phase Unwrap

The phase of the signal; the display is not limited to [-180°, 180°].

Available for source types:

Meas & Ref Signal



Figure 3-18: Result display "Phase Unwrap"

Remote commands:

LAY:ADD? '1', BEL, MEAS

to define the required source type (see LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]? on page 446)

CALC: FORM UPHase

to define the result type (see CALCulate<n>: FORMat on page 454)

TRAC:DATA? TRACE1

to query the trace results (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and Chapter 11.9.2.2, "Cartesian Diagrams", on page 466)

3.2.28 Real/Imag (I/Q)

Real and imaginary part of the measurement or reference signal in separate measurement diagrams; the x-axis (scaled in time units or symbols) is identical for both diagrams.

Available for source types:

- Capture Buffer
- Meas & Ref Signal
- Error Vector

Capture buffer display

Note that this result display is based on an individual capture buffer *range*. If more than 256,000 samples are captured, overlapping ranges with a size of 256,000 each are created. Only one range at a time can be displayed in the Real/Imag result display. For details see Chapter 4.8, "Capture Buffer Display", on page 140.

The scaling of the capture buffer depends on the input source:

- Scaling is relative to the current reference level for RF input.
- Scaling is relative to the full scale level for I/Q input.

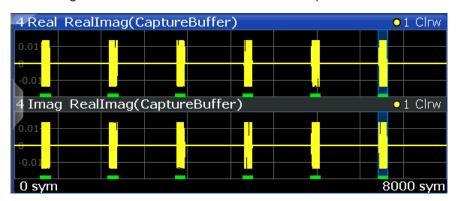


Figure 3-19: Result display "Real/Imag (I/Q)"

Remote commands:

LAY:ADD? '1', BEL, MEAS

to define the required source type (see LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]? on page 446)

CALC: FORM RIMag

to define the result type (see CALCulate<n>: FORMat on page 454)

TRAC:DATA? TRACE1

to query the trace results (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and Chapter 11.9.2.2, "Cartesian Diagrams", on page 466)

3.2.29 Result Summary

The Modulation Accuracy results in a table. For details on the parameters see Chapter 3.3, "Common Parameters in VSA", on page 58.

Basis of evaluation

The majority of the values that are displayed in the Result Summary are calculated over the "Evaluation Range" (see Chapter 5.10, "Evaluation Range Configuration", on page 222). They are evaluated according to the setting of the Display Points/Sym parameter. For example, if "Display Points/Symbol" is "1", only the symbol instants contribute to the result displayed in the result summary.

Table 3-2: Results calculated over the evaluation range

| PSK, MSK, QAM | FSK |
|---------------|-----------------|
| EVM | Frequency Error |
| MER | Magnitude Error |
| Phase Error | Power |

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| PSK, MSK, QAM | FSK |
|-----------------|-----|
| Magnitude Error | |
| Rho | |
| Power | |

The following results that are based on internal estimation algorithms (see Chapter 4.5, "Signal Model, Estimation and Modulation Errors", on page 117) are calculated over the "Estimation range" (see also Chapter 4.5.1.2, "Estimation", on page 119).

Table 3-3: Results calculated over the estimation range

| PSK, MSK, QAM | FSK |
|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| Carrier Frequency Error | FSK Deviation Error |
| Symbol Rate Error | |
| I/Q Offset | FSK Measurement Deviation |
| I/Q Imbalance | Carrier Frequency Error |
| Gain Imbalance | Carrier Frequency Drift |
| Quadrature Error | |
| Amplitude Droop | |
| | |

Current value

In the "Current" column, the value evaluation for the current evaluation is displayed. For example, the EVM Peak value in the current sweep corresponds to the peak of the trace values within the evaluation range for the current sweep (as indicated by marker 1 in Figure 3-20).

| 2 Result Summar | y | | | | | | |
|---|-------|----|--------|-----|---------------------------------|------|-----------|
| | | Cı | irrent | _ | Peak | | Unit |
| EVM | RMS | | 0. | 36 | (| 0.36 | % |
| | Peak | | 1. | 32 | | 1.32 | % |
| MER | RMS | | 48. | 90 | 48 | 3.90 | dB |
| | Peak | | 37. | 59 | 37 | 7.59 | dB |
| Phase Error | RMS | | 0. | 21 | (| 0.21 | deg |
| | Peak | | -0. | 84 | -(| 0.84 | deg |
| Magnitude Error | RMS | | | 14 | (| 0.14 | % |
| | Peak | | 0. | 50 | (| 0.50 | % |
| Carrier Frequency | Error | | -1682. | 29 | -1682 | 2.29 | Hz |
| Symbol Rate Error | | | | | | | ppm |
| Rho | | 0 | .999 9 | | 0.999 | 987 | |
| I/Q Offset | | | -68. | | -68 | 3.55 | dB |
| I/Q Imbalance | | | -65. | | -64 | 1.39 | dB |
| Gain Imbalance | | | | 01 | (| 0.01 | dB |
| Quadrature Error | | | | 01 | | 0.01 | deg |
| Amplitude Droop | | _ | 0.000 | | -0.000 | | |
| Power | | | -27. | 95 | -27 | 7.95 | dBm |
| | | | | | | | |
| 4 EVM | | | | | | | o 1 Clrw |
| | | | | | M1[1] | | 1.320 % |
| | | | | | | 76 | 0.000 sym |
| 1.5 % | | | | | | | M1 |
| 1.5 / | | | | | | | I IVI I |
| · . | | | | | | | |
| 5 5 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 | | | | # # | / _{1.0} 0-14/1-14/1-14 | | |
| 0 sym | | | | | | | 800 sym |

Figure 3-20: Example for result summary with current EVM peak value marked

If you want to compare the trace values to the results of the Result Summary, make sure to match the displayed points per symbol of the trace and of the Result Summary. Refer to "Display Points/Sym" on page 242 for details.

Mean value

In the "Mean" column, the linear mean of the values that are in the "Current" column is displayed. Note that if the values are in a logarithmic representation, e.g. the I/Q Offset, the linear values are averaged.

Peak value

In the "Peak" column, the maximum value that occurred during several evaluations is displayed. Note that when the value can be positive and negative, e.g. the phase error, the maximum absolute value (maintaining its sign) is displayed. The peak value of Rho

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is handled differently, since its minimum value represents the worst case. In that case, the minimum value is displayed.

Standard Deviation

The value for the standard deviation is calculated on the linear values and then converted to the displayed unit.

95-percentile

The 95-percentile value is based on the distribution of the current values. Since the phase error and the magnitude error can usually be assumed to be distributed around zero, the 95-Percentile for these values is calculated based on their absolute values. Again, the Rho value is handled differently. Here, the 5-Percentile is displayed, since the lowest Rho value represents the worst case.

Remote commands:

```
LAY:ADD? '1', BEL, MACC
```

to define the required source type (see LAYout: ADD[:WINDow]? on page 446)

CALC: FORM RSUM

to define the result type (see CALCulate<n>: FORMat on page 454)

TRAC: DATA? TRACE1

to query the trace results (see TRACe < n > [:DATA] on page 464 and Chapter 11.9.2.5, "Result Summary", on page 467)

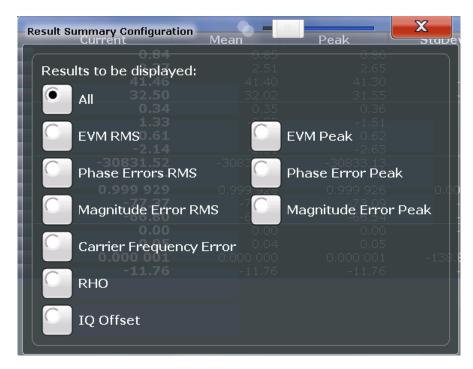
```
CALC:MARK:FUNC:DDEM:STAT:<parameter>
```

to query individual parameter values (see Chapter 11.9.3, "Retrieving Parameter Values", on page 468

Result Summary - Individual Results

The Result Summary can display either all or only a single modulation accuracy parameter. Only the most important parameters can be displayed individually, namely those for which modulation accuracy limits can be defined (see "Limit Value" on page 239).

Individual results are selected for display by tapping the Result Summary table header (only once - a double-tap maximizes the result summary window). A "Table Configuration" dialog box is displayed in which you can select the parameter to be displayed.



By default, all parameters are displayed. If you select a specific parameter, the Result Summary display is replaced by the individual result display.

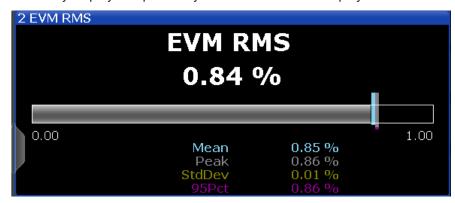


Figure 3-21: Result display for individual value in Result Summary

In addition to the current measurement value, the statistical results (see Chapter 3.2.29, "Result Summary", on page 49) and the peak limit value (see "Limit Value" on page 239) for the selected parameter are displayed.

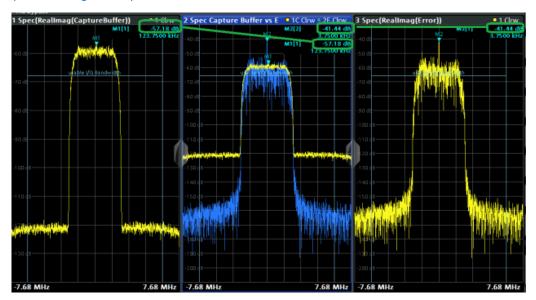
For details on the displayed results see Chapter 3.3, "Common Parameters in VSA", on page 58.

Remote command:

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:ITEM[:LINE][:VALue] on page 457

3.2.30 Spectrum (Capture Buffer + Error)

This display combines two diagrams in one. The first trace displays the spectrum of the real/image data in the capture buffer. The second trace displays the spectrum of the real/image data of the error. Optionally, the data source of the traces can be switched. Which source is currently displayed for which trace is indicated in the window title bar (see also Figure 2-2).



Remote commands:

LAY: ADD? '1', BEL, MCOM

to define the required source type (see LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]? on page 446)

CALC: FEED 'XTIM: DDEM: TCAP: ERR'

to define the result type (see CALCulate<n>: FEED on page 454)

CALC:TRAC TCAP; CALC:TRAC2:ERR

to define trace1 to be based on the capture buffer data and trace 2 on the error (default, see CALCulate<n>:TRACe<t>[:VALue] on page 417)

TRAC:DATA? TRACE1

to query the trace results for capture buffer data (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and Chapter 11.9.2.4, "Symbols", on page 467)

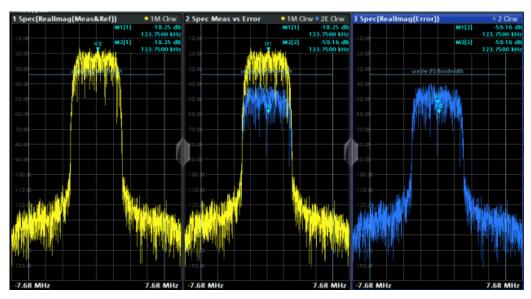
TRAC:DATA? TRACE2

to query the trace results for error data

3.2.31 Spectrum (Measurement + Error)

This display combines two diagrams in one. The first trace displays the spectrum of the real/image data from the measured signal. The second trace displays the spectrum of

the real/image data of the error. Optionally, the data source of the traces can be switched. Which source is currently displayed for which trace is indicated in the window title bar (see also Figure 2-2).



Remote commands:

LAY: ADD? '1', BEL, MCOM

to define the required source type (see LAYout: ADD[:WINDow]? on page 446)

CALC: FEED 'XTIM: DDEM: MEAS: ERR'

to define the result type (see CALCulate<n>: FEED on page 454)

CALC:TRAC MEAS; CALC:TRAC2:ERR

to define trace1 to be based on the measurement data and trace 2 on the error (default, see CALCulate<n>:TRACe<t>[:VALue] on page 417)

TRAC:DATA? TRACE1

to query the trace results for measurement data (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and Chapter 11.9.2.4, "Symbols", on page 467)

TRAC:DATA? TRACE2

to query the trace results for error data

3.2.32 Symbol Table

Symbol numbers are displayed as a table. Each symbol is represented by an entry in the table. The symbols can be displayed in binary, octal, hexadecimal or decimal format. Selected symbols (using markers) are highlighted by a blue frame.

Example:

| 43 | Symbo | ols | | | | | | | | | (| (Не | xad | lecii | mal |) | | |
|----|-------|-----|---|---|---|------------|---|---|---|---|---|-----|-----|-------|-----|---|----|---|
| | | + | 1 | + | 3 | + | 5 | + | 7 | + | 9 | + | 11 | + | 13 | + | 15 | |
| | 208 | | 2 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 0 | |
| | 224 | O | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 1 | |
| | 240 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 1 | • 0 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 | |
| | 256 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| | 272 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 0 | |
| | 288 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 1 | |
| | 304 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | |
| | 320 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | |
| | 336 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 0 | |
| | 352 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | |
| | 368 | | 0 | 3 | 0 | 3 | | 0 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 | |
| | 384 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | |
| | 400 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 0 | | _ |

Figure 3-22: Result display for "Symbols" in hexadecimal mode

If a pattern search is active, a found pattern is indicated by a green background in the symbol table. If, during demodulation, individual symbols do not match the pattern after all, these symbols are indicated by a red frame.



Remote commands:

LAY:ADD? '1',BEL, 'XTIM:DDEM:SYMB'

to define the required source type (see LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]? on page 446)

CALCulate<n>:FORMat on page 454

to define the symbol format

TRAC:DATA? TRACE1

to query the trace results (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and Chapter 11.9.2.4, "Symbols", on page 467)

3.2.33 Vector Frequency

The instantaneous frequency of the source signal as an X/Y plot; all available samples (as defined by the display points per symbol parameter (see "Display Points/Sym" on page 242)) are drawn and connected.

Available for source types:

Meas & Ref Signal



Figure 3-23: Result display for "Vector Frequency"

Remote commands:

LAY:ADD? '1', BEL, MEAS

to define the required source type (see LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]? on page 446)

CALC: FORM COVF

to define the result type (see CALCulate<n>: FORMat on page 454)

TRAC:DATA? TRACE1

to query the trace results (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and Chapter 11.9.2.3, "Polar Diagrams", on page 466)

3.2.34 Vector I/Q

The complex source signal as an X/Y plot; all available samples (as defined by the display points per symbol parameter, see "Display Points/Sym" on page 242) are drawn and connected.



The scaling of the capture buffer depends on the input source:

- Scaling is relative to the current reference level for RF input.
- Scaling is relative to the full scale level for I/Q input.

Available for source types:

Capture Buffer

- Meas & Ref Signal
- Error Vector

Capture buffer display

Note that this result display is based on an individual capture buffer *range*. If more than 256,000 samples are captured, overlapping ranges with a size of 256,000 each are created. Only one range at a time can be displayed in the Vector I/Q result display. For details see Chapter 4.8, "Capture Buffer Display", on page 140.

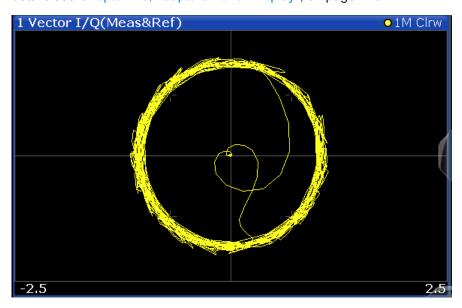


Figure 3-24: Result display for "Vector I/Q"

Remote commands:

LAY: ADD? '1', BEL, MEAS

to define the required source type (see LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]? on page 446)

CALC: FORM COMP

to define the result type (see CALCulate<n>: FORMat on page 454)

TRAC:DATA? TRACE1

to query the trace results (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n> and Chapter 11.9.2.3, "Polar Diagrams", on page 466)

3.3 Common Parameters in VSA

Depending on the modulation type you are using, different signal parameters are determined during vector signal analysis.

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Details concerning the calculation of individual parameters can be found in Chapter 4.5, "Signal Model, Estimation and Modulation Errors", on page 117 and Chapter F, "Formulae", on page 520.

Table 3-4: Parameters for PSK, QAM and MSK modulation

| Parameter | Parameter Description | |
|--|--|-------------|
| EVM - RMS/Peak | Peak Error Vector Magnitude, normalized to mean reference power by default (see "Normalize EVM to" on page 217) | |
| MER - RMS/Peak | Modulation Error Ratio | SNR |
| Phase Error - RMS/ Peak | The phase difference between the measurement vector and the reference vector | PERR |
| Magnitude Error - RMS/Peak The average (RMS) and peak magnitude error in %. The magnitude error is the difference of the measured magnitude to the magnitude of the reference signal. The magnitude error is normalized to the mean magnitude of the reference signal. | | MERRor |
| Carrier Frequency The mean carrier frequency offset in Hz Error | | CFERror |
| Symbol Rate Error | Difference between the currently measured symbol rate and the defined symbol rate in ppm. (Only if compensation for SRE is activated, see Chap- | SRER |
| | ter 5.8.1, "Demodulation - Compensation", on page 213) | |
| Rho | | RHO |
| I/Q Offset | Offset in the original input | OOFFset |
| I/Q Imbalance | Not for BPSK. | IQIMbalance |
| Gain Imbalance Not for BPSK. | | GIMBalance |
| Quadrature Error | Quadrature Error Not for BPSK. | |
| Amplitude Droop The decrease of the signal power over time in the transmitter | | ADRoop |
| Power The power of the measured signal | | MPOWer |

Table 3-5: Parameters for FSK modulation only

| Parameter | Parameter Description | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---|----------------|--|--|--|
| Frequency Error - RMS/ Peak | The average (RMS) and peak frequency error in %. The frequency error is the difference of the measured frequency and the reference frequency. The frequency error is normalized to the estimated FSK deviation. | FSK:DERRor | | | |
| FSK Deviation Error | The deviation error of FSK modulated signals in Hz. The FSK deviation error is the difference of the FSK deviation of the measured signal and the FSK reference deviation you have set. | FDERror | | | |
| FSK Meas Deviation | The estimated deviation of FSK modulated signals in Hz. | FSK:MDEViation | | | |
| FSK Ref Deviation | The reference deviation you have set in Hz. | FSK:RDEViation | | | |
| Carrier Frequency Drift | The mean carrier frequency drift in Hz per symbol. | FSK:CFDRift | | | |

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Remote command:

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:<Parameter>?

Filters and Bandwidths During Signal Processing

4 Measurement Basics

Some background knowledge on basic terms and principles used in VSA is provided here for a better understanding of the required configuration settings.

For information on the basic processing of I/Q data in the R&S FSW, see the R&S FSW I/Q Analyzer User Manual.

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4.1 Filters and Bandwidths During Signal Processing

This section describes the used filters in vector signal analysis with an R&S FSW, as well as the bandwidth after each filter.

The relevant filters for vector signal analysis are shown in Figure 4-1.

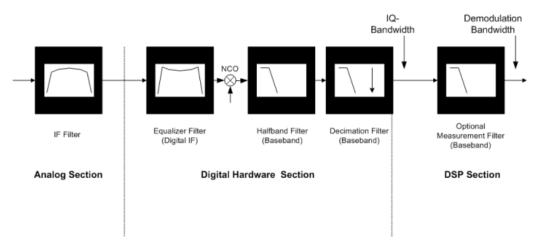


Figure 4-1: Block diagram of bandwidth-relevant filters for vector signal analysis

- After the IF Filter (only for RF input operation): bandwidth = 40 MHz
- After the digital hardware section:
 The phase and amplitude distortions of the IF filter have been compensated for.
 Usually, the I/Q data has a usable bandwidth of about:
 0.8 * sample rate

For details, refer to Chapter 4.1.1, "I/Q Bandwidth", on page 62.

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The I/Q data sample rate and bandwidth are automatically adjusted to the set symbol rate. For most modulated signals, even the smallest allowed value for the sample rate leads to a sufficient I/Q data bandwidth. The whole spectrum of the input signal is captured, but most adjacent channels and interferers are effectively suppressed. Only for very wide signals (FSK, no TX-filter used) it can be necessary to try higher values for the sample rate (see Chapter 4.2, "Sample Rate, Symbol Rate and I/Q Bandwidth", on page 68), increasing the I/Q bandwidth. The I/Q data delivered to the DSP section has no considerable amplitude or phase distortion and a suitable bandwidth.



The "Signal Capture" dialog box ("Data Acquisition" tab) shows the sample rate and the usable I/Q bandwidth achieved for the current settings (see "Usable I/Q Bandwidth" on page 191).

After the optional measurement filter:
 Various measurement filters which have different bandwidths can filter the measurement signal and the reference signal.

The filters described above are the ones that directly affect the bandwidth of the captured I/Q data and the final measurement signal and reference signal. Note, however, that several other filters are also involved in the DSP section but are not mentioned above:

- Receive filter to prevent ISI (intersymbol-interference)
- Filters necessary for various estimators
- Others

4.1.1 I/Q Bandwidth

The bandwidth of the I/Q data used as input for the vector signal analysis is filtered as described in Chapter 4.1, "Filters and Bandwidths During Signal Processing", on page 61. Its flat, usable bandwidth (no considerable amplitude or phase distortion) depends on:

- The used sample rate, which depends on:
 - The defined "Symbol Rate" (see "Symbol Rate" on page 154)
 - The defined "Sample Rate" parameter (see "Sample Rate" on page 190
- The type of input used (digital baseband input, RF input, etc.)

For details on the maximum usable bandwidth, see Chapter 4.2, "Sample Rate, Symbol Rate and I/Q Bandwidth", on page 68.



The sample rate and the usable I/Q bandwidth achieved for the current settings is displayed in the "Signal Capture" dialog, see Chapter 5.5.1, "Data Acquisition", on page 188.

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4.1.2 Demodulation Bandwidth (Measurement Bandwidth)

Some modulation systems do not use a receive filter. In these cases, take special care that no interference or adjacent channels occur within the demodulation bandwidth. Set the "Sample rate" parameter to a low value (see "Sample Rate" on page 190).



Typical communication systems demand special receive or measurement filters (e.g. root-raised cosine receive filter or EDGE measurement filter).

If no such filtering is performed, make sure neither interfering signals nor adjacent channels fall within the demodulation bandwidth.

4.1.3 Modulation and Demodulation Filters

For demodulation, the analyzer requires sample points at which only information of the current symbol and none of neighboring symbols is present (symbol points). These points are also called ISI-free points (ISI = intersymbol interference). If the transmitter does not provide an ISI-free signal after the transmit filter (**TX filter**), the analyzer can filter the input signal using a **receive filter** or **Rx filter**. If the transmitter uses an RRC (root-raised cosine) filter, the analyzer must also use an RRC filter to obtain ISI-free points.

In many PSK systems, RRC filters are used as transmit, receive and measurement filters. To determine the I/Q modulation error, the measurement signal must be compared with the corresponding ideal signal. Therefore, the analyzer calculates a **reference filter** by convolving the coefficient of the transmit filter (**Tx filter**) and the **meas filter** (see Figure 4-2).

When measuring unfiltered signals (e.g. to determine nonlinear signal distortions), no measurement filter is switched into the signal path and the **reference filter** is identical to the **transmit filter** (see Figure 4-2).

In the baseband block diagrams (see Figure 4-2), the system-theoretical transmitter and analyzer filters are shown for PSK and QAM demodulation. For the sake of clearness, RF stages, IF filters and the filter stages of the **digital hardware section** are not shown.

For a correct demodulation, the following filters have to be accurately specified for the analyzer:

- Transmit filter: filter characteristic of transmitter
- Meas filter:
 - PSK, QAM, UserQAM, MSK:
 The I and the Q part of the measurement and the reference signal are filtered with this filter.
 - FSK:
 The instantaneous frequency of the measurement reference signal is filtered.

 In many applications, the measurement filter is identical to the receive filter.

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The receive filter (also referred to as an *ISI filter*) is configured internally depending on the transmit filter. The goal is to produce intersymbol-interference-free points for the demodulation.

The reference filter generates the ideal transmitted signal (after meas filtering). The analyzer calculates the reference filter from the above filters (convolution operation transmit filter * meas filter).

Typical combinations of Tx and Meas filters are shown in Table C-3; they can be set in the R&S FSW VSA application using "Meas filter = AUTO" (see "Using the Transmit Filter as a Measurement Filter (Auto)" on page 221). For some filters, a roll-off factor is required:

| Filter type | Required parameters |
|--------------------------|---------------------|
| RC (raised cosine) | Alpha |
| RRC (root-raised cosine) | Alpha |
| Gaussian | ВТ |

Typically the Alpha/BT value of the measurement filter is the same as the value of the transmission filter.

4.1.4 Measurement Filters

The measurement filter can be used to filter the following two signals in the same way:

- The measurement signal (after coarse frequency, phase and timing synchronization have been achieved)
- The reference signal, i.e the I/Q symbols that have been determined in the demodulator and have already been filtered with the Transmit filter;

For FSK, the measurement filter filters the instantaneous frequency of the signal, not the I/Q signal.

For MSK, PSK, QAM and User QAM the measurement filter filters the real part and imaginary part of these signals (i.e. not the instantaneous frequency or magnitude of the signal).

The R&S FSW VSA application defines the error signal as the difference between the reference signal and the measurement signal. Thus, the measurement filter also shapes the spectrum of the error signal, which is used to calculate the EVM, for example.

In many applications, the measurement filter is the same as the RX filter. However, unlike the measurement filter, the RX filter is not relevant for the measurement, but is only required to create the reference signal optimally.

If possible, the RX filter and the transmit filter are chosen such that their combination results in an Inter-Symbol Interference (ISI) free system (see Figure 4-2 and Figure 4-3).

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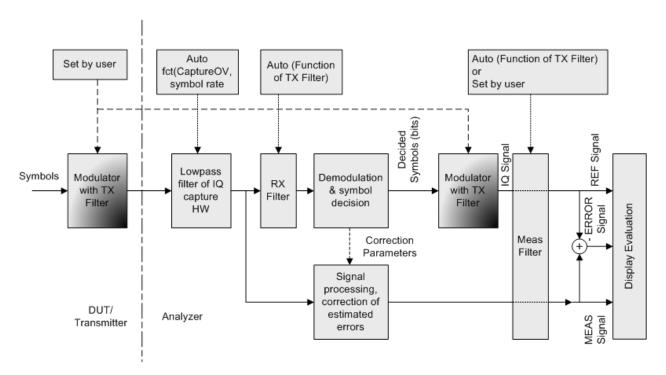


Figure 4-2: Measurement filter in the block diagram (MSK, PSK, QAM and UserQAM)

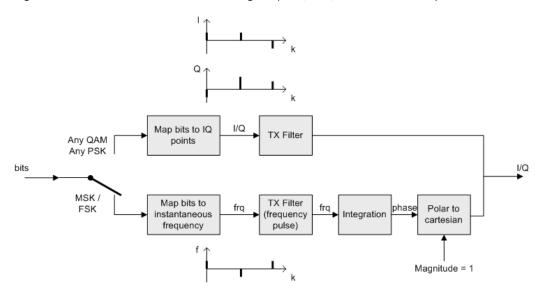


Figure 4-3: Modulator with Transmit filter in detail

As the measurement filters of the R&S FSW VSA application have low-pass characteristics, they suppress high frequency distortion components in the Meas/Ref/Error signal. The errors are weighted spectrally. Thus, turning off the measurement filter can have an influence on the numeric and graphical error values. However, to measure non-linear distortions, which usually produce high frequency components, switch off the measurement filter.

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Predefined measurement filters

The most frequently required measurement filters are provided by the R&S FSW VSA application (see Chapter C.2, "Measurement Filters", on page 514).

The frequency response of the available standard-specific measurement filters is shown in Chapter F.6.2, "Measurement Filter", on page 528.

4.1.5 Customized Filters

The analytical filter types RC (raised cosine), RRC (root-raised cosine) and GAUS-SIAN as well as the most important standard-specific filters are already integrated in the R&S FSW VSA application. In addition, it is possible to use user-defined measurement and transmit filters. Customized filters are useful for the following purposes:

- Developing new networks and modulation methods for which no filters are defined vet
- Measuring transmitter characteristics with slightly modified (e.g. shortened) transmitter filters

An external program ("FILTWIZ") is offered to convert user-defined filters. This program generates filter files (*.vaf) which can be transferred to the analyzer with a USB device, for example. The program can be downloaded together with a detailed description as a precompiled MATLAB® file (MATLAB pcode) on the Internet, at http://www.rohde-schwarz.com (search term "FILTWIZ").

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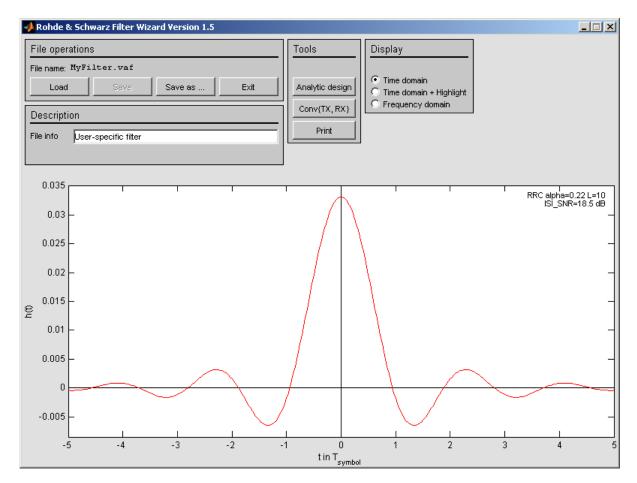


Figure 4-4: FILTWIZ - filter tool for VSA

It is possible to load customized transmit filters and customized measurement filters. If you select a customized transmit filter, the internal receive filter coefficients are calculated automatically right away.



Unlike the R&S FSW VSA application, the R&S FSQ-K70 required you to transfer a user-defined receive filter, as well.

If you upload a customized transmit filter and leave the measurement filter set to "automatic", the internally calculated receive filter is used as a measurement filter. Note that this filter is not necessarily suitable for your specific signal. The filter is optimized such that the intersymbol interference is low. Hence, you probably see a clear eye diagram and a Vector I/Q diagram with a recognizable constellation. However, a filter that has low intersymbol interference *might* lead to noise enhancement, which is commonly undesirable for a measurement filter.

To avoid noise enhancement, it is recommended that you do one of the following:

- Design your own measurement filter and upload it as a user filter.
- Select a suitable measurement filter from the list.

Sample Rate, Symbol Rate and I/Q Bandwidth

Transferring filter files to the R&S FSW

You can transfer the ($.\,\mathtt{vaf})$ filter files to the R&S FSW using a USB memory device.

4.2 Sample Rate, Symbol Rate and I/Q Bandwidth

The "Symbol Rate" defined in the "Signal Description" settings determines how many symbols are captured and demodulated during a certain measurement time. However, for each symbol more than one sample can be captured, so that the sample rate can be higher than the symbol rate.

The "Sample Rate" parameter in the "Signal Capture" settings defines the **number of samples to capture per symbol**. (Do not confuse this number with the estimation points per symbol or display points per symbol, see Chapter 4.7, "Display Points vs Estimation Points per Symbol", on page 139). The resulting sample rate (depending on the "Symbol Rate") is indicated behind the parameter.



The number of samples to capture per symbol was referred to as the **"Capture Oversampling"** value in previous R&S signal and spectrum analyzers.

The resulting sample rate, also referred to as the user or output sample rate, is the rate at which the I/Q data is demodulated and analyzed. The sample rate also affects the demodulation (measurement) bandwidth. If the bandwidth is too narrow, the signal is not displayed completely. If the bandwidth is too wide, interference from outside the actual signal to be measured can distort the result. Thus, for signals with a large frequency spectrum (e.g. FSK modulated signals), a higher sample rate may be necessary.

(For further details, see Chapter 4.1, "Filters and Bandwidths During Signal Processing", on page 61.)

For an indication of the required sample rate, view the "Real/Imag (I/Q)" display of the capture buffer with a "Spectrum" transformation. If the complete signal is displayed within the usable I/Q bandwidth, the selected value is suitable.

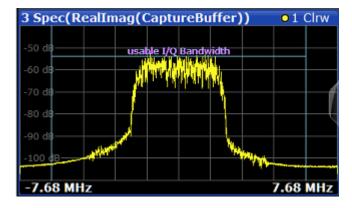


Figure 4-5: Determining the I/Q bandwidth: Real/Imag (I/Q) display of the capture buffer with a spectrum transformation

Sample Rate, Symbol Rate and I/Q Bandwidth

If the signal is cut off, increase the sample rate.

If the signal is too small, decrease the sample rate by changing one of the following settings:

- The "Symbol Rate" defined in the "Signal Description" settings
- The "Sample Rate" in the "Data Acquisition" settings

As described above, the sample rate defines the number of samples to capture per symbol. Thus, the maximum sample rate depends on the maximum number of symbols to be captured (the **symbol rate**) and vice versa. The maximum sample rate for the R&S FSW is 10 GHz (see below). Thus, the maximum symbol rate is:

Table 4-1: Maximum symbol rate depending on sample rate parameter

| Sample rate parameter | Max. symbol rate |
|-----------------------|------------------|
| 4* symbol rate | 2500 MSymbols |
| 8* symbol rate | 1250 MSymbols |
| 16* symbol rate | 625 MSymbols |
| 32* symbol rate | 312.5 MSymbols |

4.2.1 Sample Rate and Maximum Usable I/Q Bandwidth for RF Input

Definitions

- Input sample rate (ISR): the sample rate of the useful data provided by the device connected to the input of the R&S FSW
- (User, Output) Sample rate (SR): the user-defined sample rate (e.g. in the "Data Aquisition" dialog box in the "I/Q Analyzer" application) which is used as the basis for analysis or output
- Usable I/Q (Analysis) bandwidth: the bandwidth range in which the signal remains undistorted in regard to amplitude characteristic and group delay; this range can be used for accurate analysis by the R&S FSW
- Record length: Number of I/Q samples to capture during the specified measurement time; calculated as the measurement time multiplied by the sample rate

For the I/Q data acquisition, digital decimation filters are used internally in the R&S FSW. The passband of these digital filters determines the *maximum usable I/Q bandwidth*. In consequence, signals within the usable I/Q bandwidth (passband) remain unchanged, while signals outside the usable I/Q bandwidth (passband) are suppressed. Usually, the suppressed signals are noise, artifacts, and the second IF side band. If frequencies of interest to you are also suppressed, try to increase the output sample rate, which increases the maximum usable I/Q bandwidth.

Sample Rate, Symbol Rate and I/Q Bandwidth



Bandwidth extension options

You can extend the maximum usable I/Q bandwidth provided by the R&S FSW in the basic installation by adding options. These options can either be included in the initial installation (B-options) or updated later (U-options). The maximum bandwidth provided by the individual option is indicated by its number, for example, B40 extends the bandwidth to 40 MHz.

Note that the U-options as of U40 always require all lower-bandwidth options as a prerequisite, while the B-options already include them.

As a rule, the usable I/Q bandwidth is proportional to the output sample rate. Yet, when the I/Q bandwidth reaches the bandwidth of the analog IF filter (at very high output sample rates), the curve breaks.

| • | Bandwidth Extension Options | 70 |
|---|--|-----|
| • | Relationship Between Sample Rate and Usable I/Q Bandwidth | .71 |
| • | Relationship Between Sample Rate, Record Length and Usable I/Q Bandwidth | 71 |
| • | R&S FSW Without Additional Bandwidth Extension Options | .73 |
| • | R&S FSW with Options B28 or U28 (I/Q Bandwidth Extension): | 73 |
| • | R&S FSW with Option B40 or U40 (I/Q Bandwidth Extension): | .73 |
| • | R&S FSW with Option B80 or U80 (I/Q Bandwidth Extension): | .74 |
| • | R&S FSW with Activated Option B160 or U160 (I/Q Bandwidth Extension): | 74 |
| • | Max. Sample Rate and Bandwidth with Activated I/Q Bandwidth Extension Option | n |
| | B320/U320 | 75 |
| • | Max. Sample Rate and Bandwidth with Activated I/Q Bandwidth Extension Option | ns |
| | B500/B512 | 76 |
| • | Max. Sample Rate and Bandwidth with Activated I/Q Bandwidth Extension Option | n |
| | B2000 | .77 |

4.2.1.1 Bandwidth Extension Options

| Max. usable I/Q BW | Required B-option | Required U-option(s) |
|-----------------------|-------------------|---|
| 10 MHz | - | - |
| 28 MHz | B28 | U28 |
| 40 MHz | B40 | U28+U40 or B28+U40 |
| 80 MHz | B80 | U28+U40+U80 or B28+U40+U80 or B40+U80 |
| 160 MHz | B160 | U28+U40+U80+U160 or B28+U40+U80+U160 or B40+U80+U160 or B80+U160 |

Sample Rate, Symbol Rate and I/Q Bandwidth

| Max. usable I/Q BW | Required B-option | Required U-option(s) |
|-----------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------|
| 320 MHz | B320 | U28+U40+U80+U160+U320 or |
| | | B28+U40+U80+U160+U320 or |
| | | B40+U80+U160+U320 or |
| | | B80+U160+U320 or |
| | | B160+U320 |
| 500 MHz | B500 | See data sheet |
| 512 MHz | B512 | U28+U40+U80+U512 or |
| | | B28+U40+U80+U512 or |
| | | B40+U80+U512 or |
| | | B80+U512 or |
| | | B500+U512A |
| 2000 MHz | B2000 | B2000 |

4.2.1.2 Relationship Between Sample Rate and Usable I/Q Bandwidth

Up to the maximum bandwidth, the following rule applies:

Usable I/Q bandwidth = 0.8 * Output sample rate



MSRA operating mode

In MSRA operating mode, the MSRA Master is restricted to a sample rate of 600 MHz.



Digital Baseband output

If Digital Baseband output is active (see "Digital Baseband Output" on page 175), the sample rate is restricted to 200 MHz (max. 160 MHz usable I/Q bandwidth).

The Figure 4-6 shows the maximum usable I/Q bandwidths depending on the output sample rates.

4.2.1.3 Relationship Between Sample Rate, Record Length and Usable I/Q Bandwidth

Up to the maximum bandwidth, the following rule applies:

Usable I/Q bandwidth = 0.8 * Output sample rate

Regarding the record length, the following rule applies:

Record length = Measurement time * sample rate

Maximum record length for RF input

The maximum record length, that is, the maximum number of samples that can be captured, depends on the sample rate.

Sample Rate, Symbol Rate and I/Q Bandwidth

Table 4-2: Maximum record length (without I/Q bandwidth extension options R&S FSW-B160/-B320/-B500/-B512)

| Sample rate | Maximum record length |
|--------------------|---|
| 100 Hz to 200 MHz | 440 MSamples (precisely: 461373440 (= 440*1024*1024) samples) |
| 200 MHz to 10 GHz | 220 MSamples |
| (upsampling) | |
| MSRA master: | |
| 200 MHz to 600 MHz | |

The Figure 4-6 shows the maximum usable I/Q bandwidths depending on the output sample rates.

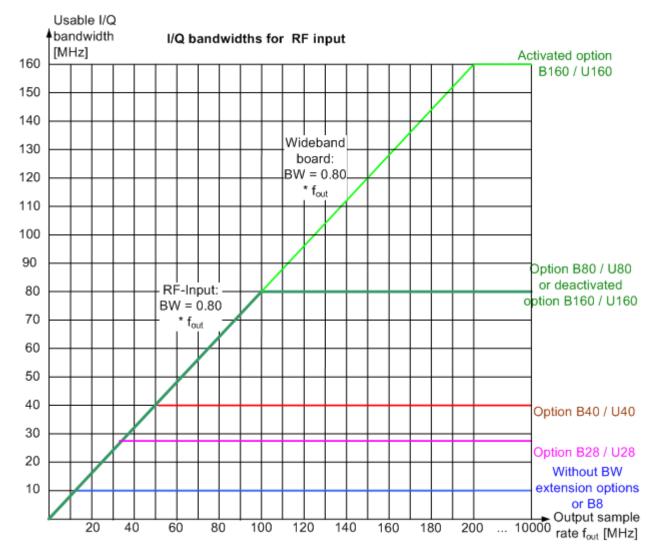


Figure 4-6: Relationship between maximum usable I/Q bandwidth and output sample rate with and without bandwidth extensions

Sample Rate, Symbol Rate and I/Q Bandwidth

4.2.1.4 R&S FSW Without Additional Bandwidth Extension Options

Sample rate: 100 Hz - 10 GHz

Maximum I/Q bandwidth: 10 MHz



MSRA operating mode

In MSRA operating mode, the MSRA Master is restricted to a sample rate of 600 MHz.

Table 4-3: Maximum I/Q bandwidth

| Sample rate | laximum I/Q bandwidth | | | | | |
|-------------------|-----------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| 100 Hz to 10 MHz | Proportional up to maximum 10 MHz | | | | | |
| 10 MHz to 10 GHz | 10 MHz | | | | | |
| MSRA master: | | | | | | |
| 10 MHz to 600 MHz | | | | | | |

4.2.1.5 R&S FSW with Options B28 or U28 (I/Q Bandwidth Extension):

Sample rate: 100 Hz - 10 GHz Maximum bandwidth: 28 MHz



MSRA operating mode

In MSRA operating mode, the MSRA Master is restricted to a sample rate of 600 MHz.

| Sample rate | laximum I/Q bandwidth | | | | | |
|-------------------|-----------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| 100 Hz to 35 MHz | Proportional up to maximum 28 MHz | | | | | |
| 35 MHz to 10 GHz | 28 MHz | | | | | |
| MSRA master: | | | | | | |
| 35 MHz to 600 MHz | | | | | | |

4.2.1.6 R&S FSW with Option B40 or U40 (I/Q Bandwidth Extension):

Sample rate: 100 Hz - 10 GHz Maximum bandwidth: 40 MHz



MSRA operating mode

In MSRA operating mode, the MSRA Master is restricted to a sample rate of 600 MHz.

Sample Rate, Symbol Rate and I/Q Bandwidth

| Sample rate | laximum I/Q bandwidth | | | | | |
|-------------------|-----------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| 100 Hz to 50 MHz | Proportional up to maximum 40 MHz | | | | | |
| 50 MHz to 10 GHz | 40 MHz | | | | | |
| MSRA master: | | | | | | |
| 50 MHz to 600 MHz | | | | | | |

4.2.1.7 R&S FSW with Option B80 or U80 (I/Q Bandwidth Extension):

Sample rate: 100 Hz - 10 GHz Maximum bandwidth: 80 MHz



MSRA operating mode

In MSRA operating mode, the MSRA Master is restricted to a sample rate of 600 MHz.

| Sample rate | laximum I/Q bandwidth | | | | | |
|--------------------|-----------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| 100 Hz to 100 MHz | Proportional up to maximum 80 MHz | | | | | |
| 100 MHz to 10 GHz | 80 MHz | | | | | |
| MSRA master: | | | | | | |
| 100 MHz to 600 MHz | | | | | | |

4.2.1.8 R&S FSW with Activated Option B160 or U160 (I/Q Bandwidth Extension):

Sample rate: 100 Hz - 10 GHz Maximum bandwidth: 160 MHz



MSRA operating mode

In MSRA operating mode, the MSRA Master is restricted to a sample rate of 600 MHz.

| Sample rate | laximum I/Q bandwidth | | | | |
|--------------------|------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| 100 Hz to 200 MHz | Proportional up to maximum 160 MHz | | | | |
| 200 MHz to 10 GHz | 160 MHz | | | | |
| MSRA master: | | | | | |
| 200 MHz to 600 MHz | | | | | |

Restricting the maximum bandwidth manually

By default, all installed bandwidth extension options are activated, allowing for the maximum bandwidth for measurements on the R&S FSW. However, sometimes the maximum bandwidth is not necessary. For example, due to the correlation of both parameters, high sample rates automatically lead to an extended analysis bandwidth.

Sample Rate, Symbol Rate and I/Q Bandwidth

However, while a high sample rate may be necessary (for example due to postprocessing in an OFDM system), the wide bandwidth is not really required.

On the other hand, low sample rates lead to small usable I/Q bandwidths. To ensure the availability of the required bandwidth, the minimum required bandwidth for the specified sample rate can be selected (via remote command only).

Thus, if one of the bandwidth extension options is installed, the maximum bandwidth can be restricted manually to a value that can improve the measurement (see "Maximum Bandwidth" on page 190). In this case, the hardware of the "regular" RF path is used, rather than the hardware required by the R&S FSW-B160/-B320/-B500/-B512 bandwidth extension options.

The following improvements can be achieved:

- Longer measurement time for sample rates under 300 MHz
- I/Q Power trigger is available
- Data processing becomes up to ten times faster

4.2.1.9 Max. Sample Rate and Bandwidth with Activated I/Q Bandwidth Extension Option B320/U320

| Sample rate | laximum I/Q bandwidth | | | | | | |
|--------------------|------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| 100 Hz to 400 MHz | Proportional up to maximum 320 MHz | | | | | | |
| 400 MHz to 10 GHz | 320 MHz | | | | | | |
| MSRA master: | | | | | | | |
| 400 MHz to 600 MHz | | | | | | | |



Digital Baseband output

If Digital Baseband output is active (see "Digital Baseband Output" on page 175), the sample rate is restricted to 200 MHz (max. 160 MHz usable I/Q bandwidth).

Sample Rate, Symbol Rate and I/Q Bandwidth

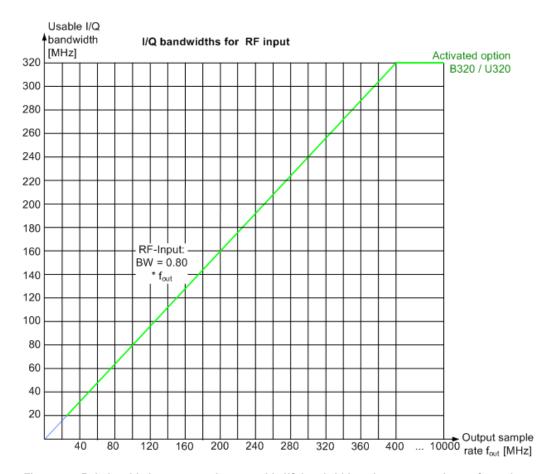


Figure 4-7: Relationship between maximum usable I/Q bandwidth and output sample rate for active R&S FSW-B320

4.2.1.10 Max. Sample Rate and Bandwidth with Activated I/Q Bandwidth Extension Options B500/B512

The bandwidth extension options R&S FSW-B500/ -B512 provide measurement bandwidths up to 500 MHz/ 512 MHz, respectively.



Digital Baseband output

Digital Baseband output (see "Digital Baseband Output" on page 175) is not available for an active R&S FSW-B500 bandwidth extension.



Real-Time measurements and MSRT operating mode

Real-Time measurements, and thus the entire MSRT operating mode, are not available if the R&S FSW-B500 bandwidth extension option is installed.

Sample Rate, Symbol Rate and I/Q Bandwidth

| Sample rate | aximum I/Q bandwidth | | | | | |
|-------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| 100 Hz to 600 MHz | 0.8 * sample rate (up to maximum 500 MHz/ 512 MHz) | | | | | |
| 600 MHz to 10 GHz | 500 MHz/ 512 MHz | | | | | |
| (not MSRA master) | | | | | | |

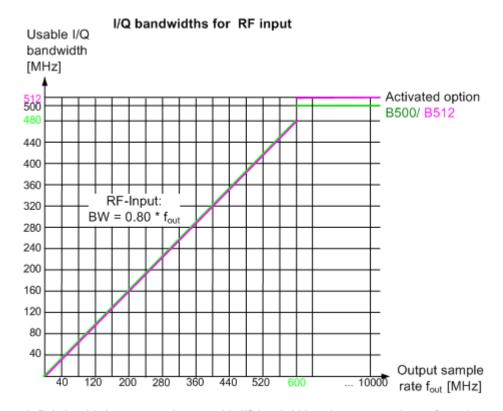


Figure 4-8: Relationship between maximum usable I/Q bandwidth and output sample rate for active R&S FSW-B500/ -B512



MSRA operating mode

In MSRA operating mode with an active R&S FSW-B500/ -B512 bandwidth extension, the MSRA Master is restricted to a sample rate of 600 MHz.

4.2.1.11 Max. Sample Rate and Bandwidth with Activated I/Q Bandwidth Extension Option B2000

The bandwidth extension option R&S FSW-B2000 provides measurement bandwidths up to 2 GHz.



MSRA operating mode

If the R&S FSW-B2000 bandwidth extension option is active, MSRA operating mode is not available.

Sample Rate, Symbol Rate and I/Q Bandwidth

| Sample rate | Maximum I/Q bandwidth |
|------------------|----------------------------------|
| 10 kHz to 10 GHz | Proportional up to maximum 2 GHz |

I/Q bandwidths for RF input

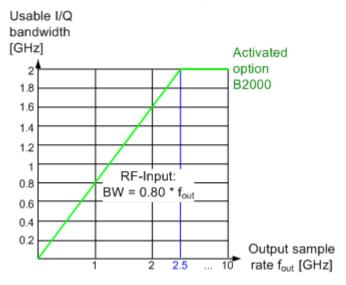


Figure 4-9: Relationship between maximum usable I/Q bandwidth and output sample rate for active R&S FSW-B2000

4.2.2 Sample Rates and Bandwidths for Digital I/Q Data

Definitions

- Clock rate: the rate at which data is physically transmitted between the R&S FSW
 and the connected device; both instruments must be able to process data at this
 rate; the clock rate of the R&S FSW at the output connector is 142.9 MHz; using
 the Digital I/Q enhanced mode, a data transfer rate of up to 200 Msps is possible
- Input sample rate (ISR): the sample rate of the useful data provided by the connected instrument to the digital input
- (User, Output) Sample rate (SR): the sample rate that is defined by the user (e.g.
 in the "Data Aquisition" dialog box in the "I/Q Analyzer" application) and which is
 used as the basis for analysis or sent to the digital output
- Usable I/Q (Analysis) bandwidth: the bandwidth range in which the signal remains unchanged by the digital decimation filter and thus remains undistorted; this range can be used for accurate analysis by the R&S FSW

Sample Rate, Symbol Rate and I/Q Bandwidth



Slow I/Q measurements

When captured data is transferred and further processed with a slower rate than the rate with which the signal was sampled, this is referred to as a *Slow I/Q measurement*.

For example, assume an analog signal is sampled by an oscilloscope with a sample rate of 10 GHz. This data is stored in a memory temporarily and then transferred to the R&S FSW via the Digital I/Q Interface with a sample rate of 100 Msps. Then the input sample rate on the R&S FSW must be set to 10 GHz so the signal is displayed correctly.



Digital I/Q enhanced mode

An enhanced mode for processing data from the Digital Baseband Interface is available. This enhanced mode enables data transfer via the Digital I/Q interface with a data rate of up to 200 Msps (160 MHz bandwidth, compared to the previous 100 Msps/80 MHz bandwidth).

The Digital I/Q enhanced mode is automatically used if the following prerequisites are fulfilled:

 Digital Input: The connected device must support data transfer rates up to 200 Msps.

Digital Output:

- The R&S FSW must supply the required bandwidth, i.e. a bandwidth extension option greater than 160 MHz must be installed and active.
- The connected device must support data transfer rates up to 200 Msps.

Restrictions for digital in- and output

The following table describes the restrictions for digital in- and output:

Table 4-4: Restrictions for digital in- and output

| Parameter | Minimum | Maximum |
|--|--------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Record length | 2 complex samples | 220*1024*1024 complex samples |
| Input sample rate (ISR) | 100 Hz | 10 GHz |
| Sample Rate (SR) - Digital input | Max(100 Hz; ISR/8388608) | Min(10 GHz; 2*ISR) |
| Sample Rate (SR) - Digital output | 100 Hz | 200 MHz |
| Usable I/Q bandwidth (Digital input and filter active) | Min(0.8*SR; 0.8*ISR) | |

Bandwidths

Depending on the sample rate, the following bandwidths are available:

Symbol Mapping

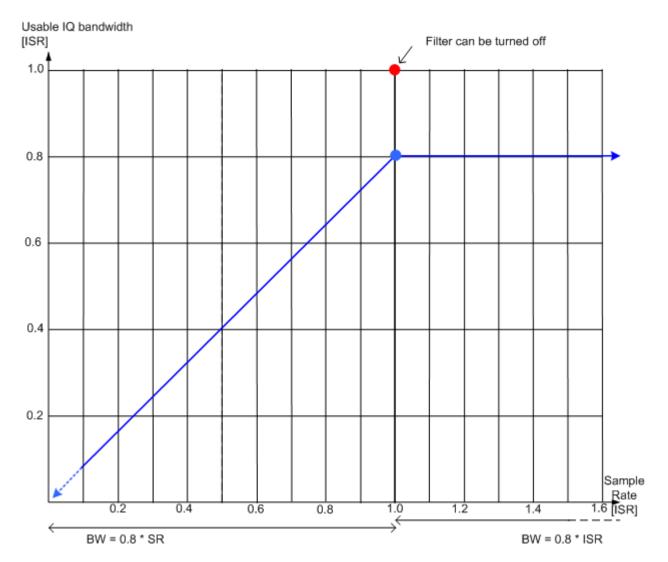


Figure 4-10: Bandwidths depending on sample rate for active digital input

4.3 Symbol Mapping

Mapping or symbol mapping means that symbol numbers are assigned to constellation points or transitions in the I/Q plane (e.g. PSK and QAM).

In the analyzer, the mapping is required to decode the transmitted symbols from the sampled I/Q or frequency/time data records.

The mappings for all standards used in the analyzer and for all employed modulation modes are described in the following. Unless indicated otherwise, symbol numbers are specified in hexadecimal form (MSB at the left).

Symbol Mapping

4.3.1 Phase Shift Keying (PSK)

With this type of modulation, the information is represented by the absolute phase position of the received signal at the decision points. All transitions in the I/Q diagram are possible. The complex constellation diagram is shown. The symbol numbers are entered in the diagram according to the mapping rule.

BPSK (NATURAL)

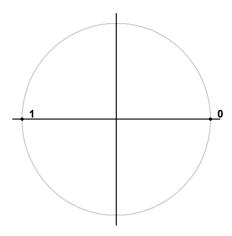


Figure 4-11: Constellation diagram for BPSK including the symbol mapping

QPSK

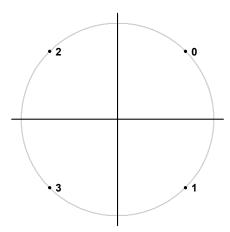


Figure 4-12: Constellation diagram for QPSK including the symbol mapping for CDMA2000 FWD and DVB S2

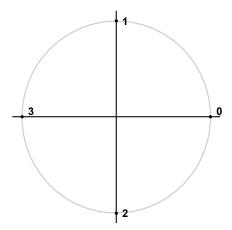


Figure 4-13: Constellation diagram for QPSK (GRAY) including the symbol mapping

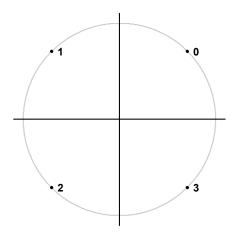


Figure 4-14: Constellation diagram for QPSK (NATURAL) including the symbol mapping

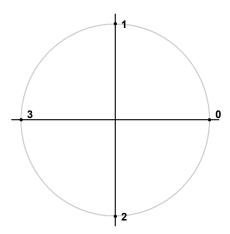


Figure 4-15: Constellation diagram for QPSK including the symbol mapping for WCDMA



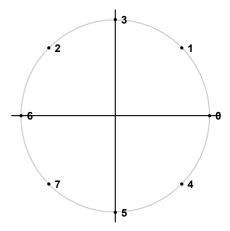


Figure 4-16: Constellation diagram for 8PSK (GRAY) including the symbol mapping

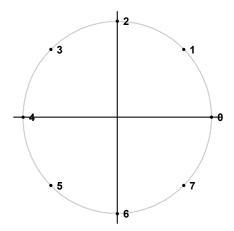


Figure 4-17: Constellation diagram for 8PSK (NATURAL) including the symbol mapping

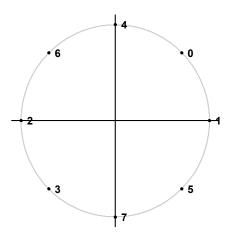


Figure 4-18: Constellation diagram for 8PSK including the symbol mapping for DVB S2

Symbol Mapping

4.3.2 Rotating PSK

A rotating PSK modulation is basically a PSK modulation in which additional phase shifts occur. These phase shifts depend on the symbol number, e.g. for a $\pi/4$ -QPSK, the third symbol has an additional phase offset of (3-1)* $\pi/4$. This offset has the same effect as a rotation of the basic system of coordinates by the offset angle after each symbol.

The method is highly important in practical applications because it prevents signal transitions through the zeros in the I/Q plane. This reduces the dynamic range of the modulated signal and the linearity requirements for the amplifier.

In practice, the method is used for $3\pi/8$ -8PSK, for example, and (in conjunction with phase-differential coding) for $\pi/4$ -DQPSK.

Symbol mapping

The logical constellation diagram for $3\pi/8$ -8PSK comprises 8 points that correspond to the modulation level (see Figure 4-19). A counter-clockwise offset (rotation) of $3\pi/8$ is inserted after each symbol transition.

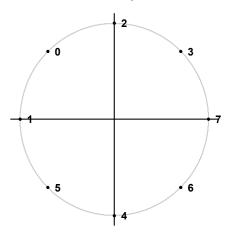


Figure 4-19: Constellation diagram for 3π/8 8PSK before rotation including the symbol mapping for EDGE

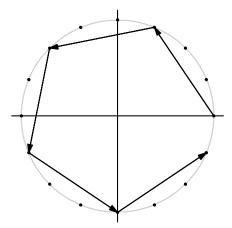


Figure 4-20: I/Q symbol stream after $3\pi/8$ rotation in I/Q plane if the symbol number "7" is transmitted six times in a row

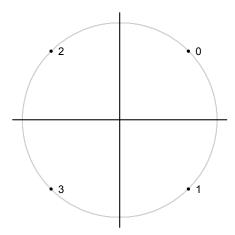


Figure 4-21: Constellation diagram for 3π/4 QPSK including the symbol mapping for EDGE

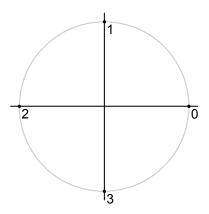


Figure 4-22: Constellation diagram for π /4 QPSK (Natural) including the symbol mapping

Symbol Mapping

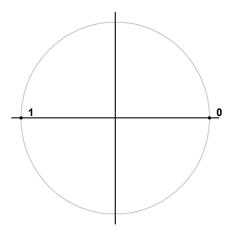


Figure 4-23: Constellation diagram for $\pi/2$ BPSK including the symbol mapping

4.3.3 Differential PSK

With differential PSK, the information is represented in the phase shift between two consecutive decision points. The absolute position of the complex sample value at the decision point does not carry information.

In the physical constellation diagram, the constellation points at the symbol decision points obtained after ISI-free demodulation are shown (as with common PSK methods). This diagram corresponds to the display on the analyzer. The position of the constellation points is standard-specific. For example, some QPSK standards define the constellation points on the diagonals, while other standards define the coordinate axes.

In Table 4-5, the symbols are assigned to phase shifts. The QPSK (INMARSAT) mapping corresponds to simple QPSK with phase-differential coding.

Tables Table 4-6 and Table 4-7 show two types of differential 8PSK modulation.

Differential coding according to VDL is shown in Table 4-8. It can be used for modulation types with 3 bits/symbol, e.g. 8PSK.

Other types of modulation using differential coding method are described in Chapter 4.3.4, "Rotating Differential PSK Modulation", on page 88.

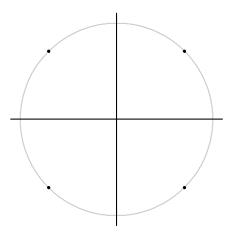


Figure 4-24: Constellation diagram for DQPSK (INMARSAT and NATURAL) including the symbol mapping

Table 4-5: DQPSK (INMARSAT)

| Logical symbol mapping | | | | |
|---|----|------|------|------|
| Modulation symbol (binary indication: MSB, LSB) | 00 | 01 | 10 | 11 |
| Phase shift | 0° | -90° | +90° | 180° |

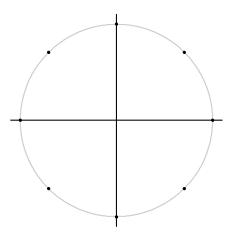


Figure 4-25: Constellation diagram for D8PSK including the symbol mapping for APCO25, APCO25 Phase 2, GRAY, NATURAL and TETRA

Table 4-6: D8PSK (NATURAL)

| Logical symbol mapping | | | | | | | | |
|---|-----|-----|-----|------|------|------|------|------|
| Modulation symbol (binary indication: MSB, LSB) | 000 | 001 | 010 | 011 | 100 | 101 | 110 | 111 |
| Phase shift | 0° | 45° | 90° | 135° | 180° | 225° | 270° | 315° |

Symbol Mapping

Table 4-7: D8PSK (GRAY)

| Logical symbol mapping | | | | | | | | |
|---|-----|-----|------|-----|------|------|------|------|
| Modulation symbol (binary indication: MSB, LSB) | 000 | 001 | 010 | 011 | 100 | 101 | 110 | 111 |
| Phase shift | 0° | 45° | 135° | 90° | 270° | 315° | 225° | 180° |

Table 4-8: D8PSK (VDL)

| Logical symbol mapping | | | | | | | | |
|---|-----|-----|------|-----|------|------|------|------|
| Modulation symbol (binary indication: MSB, LSB) | 000 | 001 | 010 | 011 | 100 | 101 | 110 | 111 |
| Phase shift | 0° | 45° | 135° | 90° | 315° | 270° | 180° | 225° |

4.3.4 Rotating Differential PSK Modulation

Phase-differential modulation is frequently combined with an additional phase shift (e.g. $\pi/4$ DQPSK = $\pi/4$ phase shift modulation + differential modulated 4PSK).

The logical mapping diagram corresponds to the diagram for DPSK.

The physical constellation diagram shows the symbol decision points obtained after ISI-free demodulation.

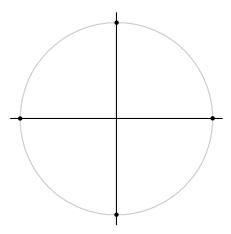


Figure 4-26: Constellation diagram for $\pi/4$ DQPSK including the symbol mapping for APCO25 Phase 2, NADC, NATURAL, PDC, PHS, TETRA and TFTS; the $\pi/4$ rotation is already compensated for

Table 4-9: π/4 DQPSK (NADC, PDC, PHS, TETRA)

| Logical symbol mapping | | | | | | | | |
|---|--------|---------|----------|-----------|--|--|--|--|
| Modulation symbol (binary indication: MSB, LSB) | 00 | 01 | 10 | 11 | | | | |
| Phase shift | 0°+45° | 90°+45° | -90°+45° | -180°+45° | | | | |

Symbol Mapping

Table 4-10: π/4 DQPSK (TFTS)

| Logical symbol mapping | | | | |
|---|-----------|---------|----------|--------|
| Modulation symbol (binary indication: MSB, LSB) | 00 | 01 | 10 | 11 |
| Phase shift | -180°+45° | 90°+45° | -90°+45° | 0°+45° |

Table 4-11: π/4 DQPSK (Natural)

| Logical symbol mapping | | | | | | | | |
|---|--------|---------|-----------|----------|--|--|--|--|
| Modulation symbol (binary indication: MSB, LSB) | 00 | 01 | 10 | 11 | | | | |
| Phase shift | 0°+45° | 90°+45° | -180°+45° | -90°+45° | | | | |

Table 4-12: π/4 DQPSK (APCO25 and APCO25Phase2)

| Logical symbol mapping | | | | | | | | |
|---|--------|---------|----------|-----------|--|--|--|--|
| Modulation symbol (binary indication: MSB, LSB) | 00 | 01 | 10 | 11 | | | | |
| Phase shift | 0°+45° | 90°+45° | -90°+45° | -180°+45° | | | | |

Table 4-13: π/2 DBPSK

| Logical symbol mapping | | | | | | | |
|---|--------|-----------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Modulation symbol (binary indication: MSB, LSB) | 0 | 1 | | | | | |
| Phase shift | 0°+90° | -180°+90° | | | | | |

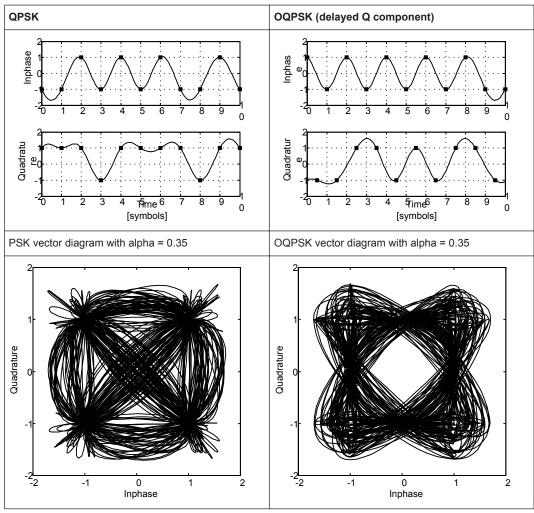
4.3.5 Offset QPSK

Offset QPSK differs from "normal" QPSK in the fact that the Q component is delayed by half a symbol period against the I component in the time domain. Hence, the symbol time instants of the I and the Q component do not coincide. The concept of Offset QPSK is illustrated in the diagrams below.

Symbol Mapping

Derivation of OQPSK

Table 4-14: I/Q diagram and constellation diagram



Offset QPSK reduces the dynamic range of the modulated signal (compared to "normal" QPSK) and, therefore, the demands on amplifier linearity by avoiding zero crossings.

A distinction is made in the analyzer display:

In the Vector I/Q result display of the measurement (or reference) signal, the time delay is not compensated for. The display corresponds to the physical diagram shown in (Table 4-14)

In the Constellation I/Q result display of the measurement (or reference) signal, the time delay is compensated for. The display corresponds to the logical mapping as in Figure 4-27.

Symbol Mapping

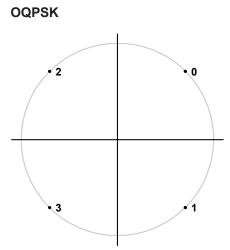


Figure 4-27: Constellation diagram for OQSK (GRAY) including the symbol mapping

4.3.6 Shaped Offset QPSK

Shaped Offset QPSK is a constant envelope modulation whose phase at any instant in time is either stationary or is moving at a rate of one-quarter of the bit rate. It can therefore also be interpreted as a ternary CPM.

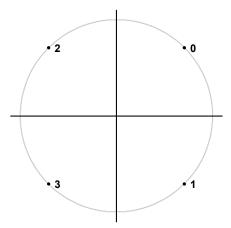


Figure 4-28: Constellation diagram for Shaped Offset QPSK including the symbol mapping

4.3.7 Frequency Shift Keying (FSK)

To illustrate symbol mappings for FSK modulations, the symbol numbers are marked in the logical mapping diagram versus the instantaneous frequency. An instantaneous frequency of zero in the baseband corresponds to the input frequency of the analyzer.

2FSK (NATURAL)

With 2FSK, the symbol decision is made by a simple frequency discriminator:

Symbol Mapping

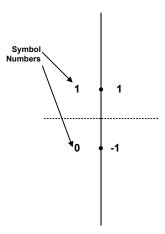


Figure 4-29: Constellation diagram for 2FSK (NATURAL) including the logical symbol mapping

4FSK

With 4FSK, the symbol decision is made by a frequency discriminator with 3 decision thresholds (-2/3; 0; +2/3) normalized to the FSK reference deviation.

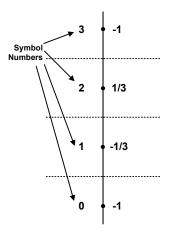


Figure 4-30: Constellation diagram for 4FSK (NATURAL) including the logical symbol mapping

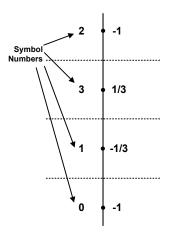


Figure 4-31: Constellation diagram for 4FSK (GRAY) including the logical symbol mapping

Symbol Mapping

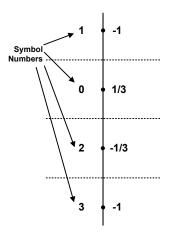


Figure 4-32: Constellation diagram for 4FSK for APCO C4FM and APCO Phase 2 including the logical symbol mapping

8FSK (NATURAL)

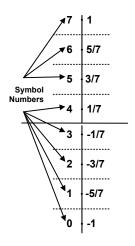


Figure 4-33: Constellation diagram for 8FSK (NATURAL) including the logical symbol mapping

Symbol Mapping

16 FSK

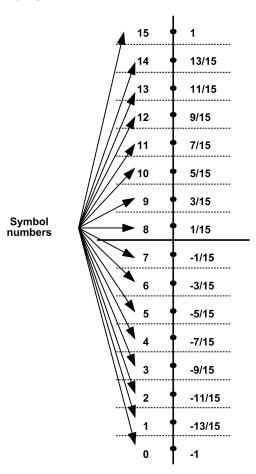


Figure 4-34: Constellation diagram for 16FSK including the logical symbol mapping

4.3.8 Minimum Shift Keying (MSK)

MSK modulation causes modulation-dependent phase shifts of +/- 90° which can be shown in a Constellation I/Q diagram. As with PSK, the phase positions are evaluated during demodulation.

Table 4-15: MSK (NATURAL)

| Logical symbol mapping | | |
|---|------|------|
| Modulation symbol (binary indication: MSB, LSB) | 0 | 1 |
| Phase shift | -90° | +90° |

Table 4-16: MSK (GSM)

| Logical symbol mapping | | | | | | | |
|---|------|------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Modulation symbol (binary indication: MSB, LSB) | 0 | 1 | | | | | |
| Phase shift | +90° | -90° | | | | | |

Symbol Mapping

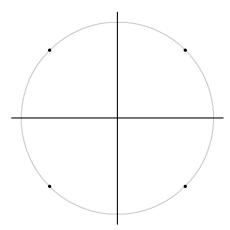


Figure 4-35: MSK (for GSM and NATURAL) and DMSK Constellation Diagram including the symbol mapping

Similar to PSK, differential coding can also be used with MSK. In this case, too, the information is represented by the transition of two consecutive symbols. The block diagram of the coder is shown below.

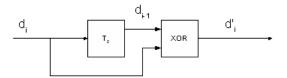


Figure 4-36: DMSK: differential encoder in the transmitter

d_i input symbol {0;1} of differential encoder

d_{i-1} input symbol delayed by the symbol period Ts

d'i output symbol {0;1} of differential encoder

The logical symbol mapping is then performed on the XOR-coded bitstream d.

4.3.9 Quadrature Amplitude Modulation (QAM)

With QAM, the information is represented by the signal amplitude and phase.

The symbols are arranged in a square constellation in the I/Q plane.



To ensure reliable demodulation, symbol numbers should be distributed evenly across the symbol alphabet.

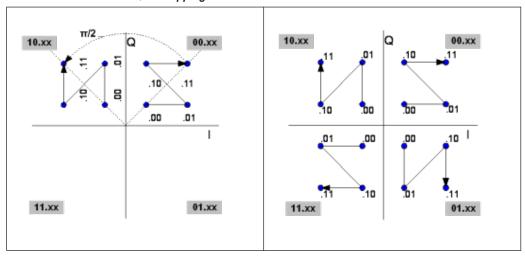
As a rule of thumb, the **result length** should correspond to at least 8 times the modulation order. For example, with 64 QAM, a result length of at least 8*64 = 512 symbols should be used.

Symbol Mapping

QAM Mappings

The following QAM mappings are obtained from the mapping of the first quadrant. The subsequent quadrants are always rotated by $\pi/2$ and supplemented by a (GRAY-coded) prefix for each quadrant.

Table 4-17: Derivation of QAM mappings



In the following diagrams, the symbol mappings are indicated in hexadecimal and binary form.

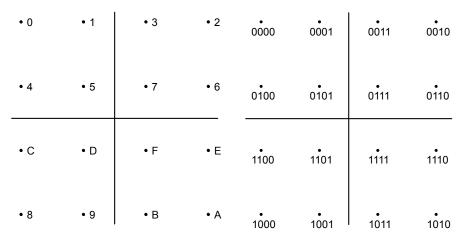


Figure 4-37: Constellation diagram for 16QAM (GRAY) including the logical symbol mapping (hexadecimal and binary)

| • B | • 9 | • 1 | • 3 | 1011 | 1001 | 0001 | 0011 |
|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| • A | • 8 | • 0 | • 2 | 1010 | 1000 | 0000 | 0010 |
| • E | • C | • 4 | • 6 | 1110 | 1100 | 0100 | 0110 |
| • F | • D | • 5 | • 7 | • 1111 | • 1101 | • 0101 | • 0111 |

Figure 4-38: Constellation diagram for 16QAM including the logical symbol mapping for EDGE (hexadecimal and binary)

| • B | • 9 | • 2 | • 3 | 1011 | 1001 | 0010 | 0011 |
|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----------|------|------|-----------|
| • A | • 8 | • 0 | • 1 | 1010 | 1000 | 0000 | 0001 |
| • D | • C | • 4 | • 6 | • 1101 | 1100 | 0100 | 0110 |
| • F | • E | • 5 | • 7 | • 1111 | 1110 | 0101 | • 0111 |

Figure 4-39: Constellation diagram for 16QAM including the logical symbol mapping for DVB-C (hexadecimal and binary)

| | • 17 | • 13 | • 06 | • 02 | | | • 10111 | 10011 | 00110 | • 00010 | |
|------|------|------|------|------|------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| • 12 | • 15 | • 11 | • 04 | • 05 | • 07 | • 10010 | • 10101 | • 10001 | 00100 | • 00101 | • 00111 |
| • 16 | • 14 | • 10 | • 00 | • 01 | • 03 | 10110 | • 10100 | 10000 | 00000 | 00001 | 00011 |
| • 1B | • 19 | • 18 | • 08 | • 0C | • 0E | • 11011 | • 11001 | • 11000 | 01000 | • 01100 | • 01110 |
| • 1F | • 1D | • 1C | | • 0D | • 0A | • 11111 | • 11101 | • 11100 | • 01001 | • 01101 | • 01010 |
| | • 1A | • 1E | • 0B | • 0F | | | • 11010 | • 11110 | 01011 | • 01111 | |

Figure 4-40: Constellation diagram for 32QAM including the logical symbol mapping for DVB-C (hexadecimal and binary)

| • 2C | • 2E | • 26 | • 24 | • 08 | • 09 | • 0D | • 0C | | • | • | • |
|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|--------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| • 2D | • 2F | • 27 | • 25 | • 0A | • 0B | • 0F | • 0E | 001000 | 001001 | 001101 | 001100 |
| • 29 | • 2B | • 23 | • 21 | • 02 | • 03 | • 07 | • 06 | 001010 | 004044 | 004444 | 004440 |
| • 28 | • 2A | • 22 | • 20 | • 00 | • 01 | • 05 | • 04 | 001010 | 001011 | 001111 | 001110 |
| • 34 | • 35 | • 31 | • 30 | • 10 | • 12 | • 1A | • 18 | 000010 | • 000011 | • 000111 | • 000110 |
| • 36 | • 37 | • 33 | • 32 | • 11 | • 13 | • 1B | • 19 | | | | |
| • 3E | • 3F | • 3B | • 3A | • 15 | • 17 | • 1F | • 1D | 000000 | 000001 | • 000101 | • 000100 |
| • 3C | • 3D | • 39 | • 38 | • 14 | • 16 | • 1E | • 1C | | | | |

Figure 4-41: Constellation diagram for 64QAM including the logical symbol mapping for DVB-C (hexadecimal and binary); the binary form shows the upper right section of the diagram only.

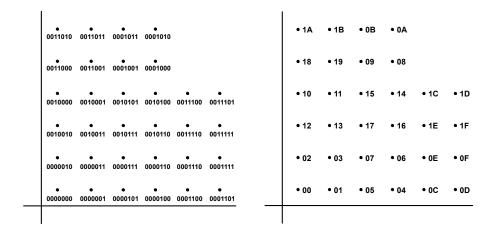


Figure 4-42: Constellation diagram for 128QAM including the logical symbol mapping (hexadecimal and binary); the figure shows the upper right sections of the diagram only

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• 20 • 21 • 25 • 24 • 34 • 35 • 31 • 30

• 22 • 23 • 27 • 26 • 36 • 37 • 33 • 32

• 2A • 2B • 2F • 2E • 3E • 3F • 3B • 3A

• 28 • 29 • 2D • 2C • 3C • 3D • 39 • 38

• 08 • 09 • 0D • 0C • 1C • 1D • 19 • 18

• 0A • 0B • 0F • 0E • 1E • 1F • 1B • 1A

• 02 • 03 • 07 • 06 • 16 • 17 • 13 • 12

• 00 • 01 • 05 • 04 • 14 • 15 • 11 • 10
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Figure 4-43: Constellation diagram for 256QAM including the logical symbol mapping (hexadecimal); the figure shows the upper right section of the diagram only

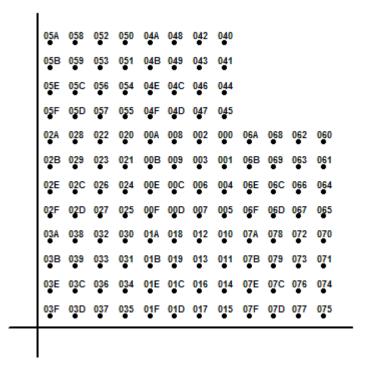


Figure 4-44: Constellation diagram for 512QAM including the logical symbol mapping (hexadecimal); the figure shows the upper right section of the diagram only

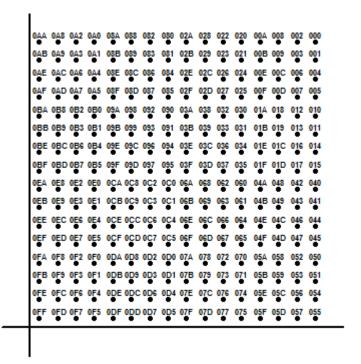


Figure 4-45: Constellation diagram for 1024QAM including the logical symbol mapping (hexadecimal); the figure shows the upper right section of the diagram only

Symbol Mapping

4.3.10 ASK

2ASK (OOK)

ASK stands for Amplitude Shift Keying, 2ASK (binary) is often also referred to as "On Off Keying" (OOK). With this type of modulation, the information is solely represented by the absolute amplitude of the received signal at the decision points.

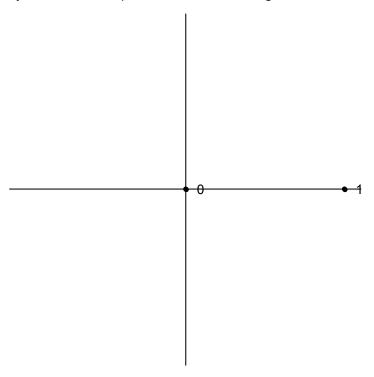


Figure 4-46: Constellation diagram for 2ASK

4ASK

4ASK is a 4-ary Amplitude Shift Keying mapping type. With this type of modulation, the information is solely represented by the absolute amplitude of the received signal at the decision points.

Symbol Mapping

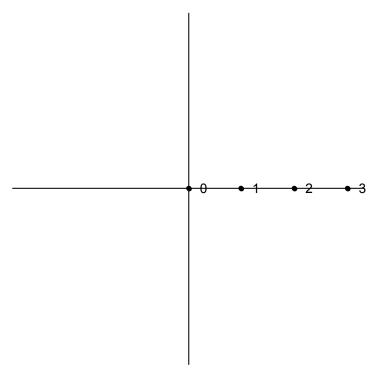


Figure 4-47: Constellation diagram for 4ASK

4.3.11 APSK

With Amplitude Phase Shift Keying (APSK) modulation, the information is represented by the signal amplitude and the signal phase.

16APSK

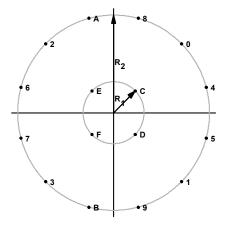


Figure 4-48: Constellation diagram for 16APSK including the logical symbol mapping for DVB-S2

For DVB-S2 16APSK mappings, the ratio of the outer circle radius to the inner circle radius ($\gamma = R2/R1$) depends on the utilized code rate and complies with Figure 4-48.

Symbol Mapping

Table 4-18: Optimum constellation radius ratio y (linear channel) for 16APSK

| Code Rate | Modulation / coding spectral efficiency | Υ |
|-----------|---|------|
| 2/3 | 2.66 | 3.15 |
| 3/4 | 2.99 | 2.85 |
| 4/5 | 3.19 | 2.75 |
| 5/6 | 3.32 | 2.70 |
| 8/9 | 3.55 | 2.60 |
| 9/10 | 3.59 | 2.57 |

32APSK

For DVB-S2 32APSK mappings, the ratio of the middle circle radius to the inner circle radius is specified as γ_1 = R2/R1). The ratio of the outer circle radius to the inner circle radius is specified as γ_2 . Both ratios depend on the used code rate and comply with Table 4-19.

Table 4-19: Optimum constellation radius ratios γ_1 and γ_2 (linear channel) for 32APSK

| Code Rate | Modulation / coding spectral efficiency | Y1 | Y ₂ |
|-----------|---|------|----------------|
| 2/3 | 3.74 | 2.84 | 5.27 |
| 3/4 | 3.99 | 2.72 | 4.87 |
| 4/5 | 4.15 | 2.64 | 4.64 |
| 5/6 | 4.43 | 2.54 | 4.33 |
| 8/9 | 4.49 | 2.53 | 4.30 |

4.3.12 User-defined Modulation

In addition to the modulation types defined by the standards, modulation (including symbol mappings) can also be defined according to user requirements. In this case, the mapping is defined and stored in a specific format (*.vam file format) and then loaded to the R&S FSW VSA application. Modulation files in .vam format can be defined using a mapping wizard ("mapwiz"), an auxiliary tool provided by R&S via Internet free of charge. This tool is a precompiled MATLAB® file (MATLAB pcode). To download the tool together with a detailed description, see http://www.rohde-schwarz.com (search term "mapwiz").

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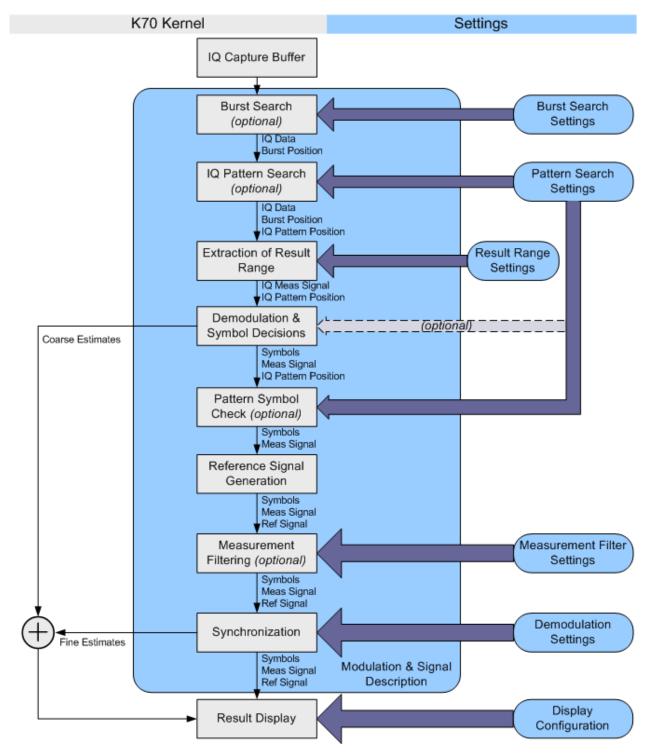


Figure 4-49: Demodulation stages of the vector signal analysis option

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The Figure 4-49 provides an overview of the demodulation stages of the vector signal analysis option. The function blocks of the signal processing kernel can be found at the left (in grey) and their appropriate settings at the right (in blue).

A more detailed description of the most important stages is given in the following sections.

Burst Search

In this stage, the capture buffer is searched for bursts that comply with the signal description. The search itself can be switched on or off via the "Burst Search" dialog (see "Enabling Burst Searches" on page 202). A list of the detected bursts is passed on to the next processing stage.

I/Q Pattern Search

The "I/Q Pattern Search" is performed on the capture buffer. This means the R&S FSW VSA application modulates the selected pattern according to the transmit filter (Tx filter) and the modulation scheme. Then, it searches the capture buffer for this I/Q pattern, i.e. the I/Q waveform of the pattern. It is assumed that patterns can only appear within bursts, i.e. the I/Q pattern search range is limited to the bursts detected by the burst search stage. If the burst search is switched off, the whole capture buffer is searched for the I/Q pattern. A list of all detected I/Q patterns is passed on to the next processing stage. It is important to note that the R&S FSW VSA application can only search for one pattern at a time.

The pattern search can be switched on or off via the "Pattern Search" dialog (see "Enabling Pattern Searches" on page 204).

Detected patterns are indicated by a green background in the symbol table. (If, during demodulation, individual symbols do not match the pattern after all, these symbols are indicated by a red frame.)

Extraction of Result Range

The result range can be aligned to a burst, a pattern or simply the start of the capture buffer (see "Reference" on page 211). Within this stage, the result range is cut from the capture buffer starting at a user-defined point, e.g. the start of a detected burst. The R&S FSW VSA application automatically takes filter settling times into account by making the internal buffers sufficiently longer than the selected result range.

Demodulation & Symbol Decisions

This stage operates on the extracted result range and aims at making the correct symbol decisions. Within this stage, a coarse synchronization of the carrier frequency offset, the carrier phase, the scaling and the timing takes place. Furthermore, an automatically selected internal receive filter (Rx filter) is used in order to remove the intersymbol interference as effectively as possible. The outputs of this stage are the (coarsely) synchronized measurement signal and the symbol decisions (bits). The symbol decisions are later used for the "Pattern Symbol Check" stage and for the "Reference Signal Generation" stage.

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Pattern Symbol Check

The "I/Q Pattern Search" stage can only detect whether the similarity between the I/Q pattern and the capture buffer exceeds a certain threshold. Thus, it finds the most likely positions for a pattern.

Within this stage, the R&S FSW VSA application checks whether the pattern symbols (bits) really coincide with the symbol decisions at the pre-detected position. For example, if one out of 20 symbols does not coincide, the "I/Q Pattern Search" stage might detect this I/Q pattern, but the "Pattern Symbol Check" stage will decline it.

Note that this stage is only active if the pattern search is switched on.

If individual symbols do not match the pattern, these symbols are indicated by a red frame in the symbol table.

Reference Signal Generation

The ideal reference signal is generated based on the detected symbols and the specifications of the signal model, i.e. the modulation scheme and the transmit filter (Tx filter). Optionally, a predefined known data sequence or pattern can be used to generate the reference signal (see Chapter 4.4.5, "Synchronization and the Reference Signal", on page 113).

Measurement Filtering

Both the measurement signal and the reference signal are filtered with the specified measurement filter.

Synchronization

In this stage, the measurement signal and the reference signal are correlated. For PSK, QAM and MSK modulated signals, an estimation algorithm is used to obtain estimates for the following parameters:

- Signal amplitude
- Signal timing
- Carrier frequency error
- Phase error
- I/Q offset
- Gain imbalance
- Quadrature error
- Amplitude droop

Alternatively, it is possible to disable the estimation algorithm.

For FSK modulated signals, estimates for the signal amplitude, signal timing, carrier frequency error, FSK deviation error and the carrier frequency drift are calculated. The measurement signal is then corrected with these estimates. Compensation for FSK deviation error and carrier frequency drift can be enabled or disabled.

For more information on synchronization, see

Chapter 4.4.5, "Synchronization and the Reference Signal", on page 113

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- Chapter 4.5.1.2, "Estimation", on page 119
- Chapter 5.8.2, "Advanced Demodulation (Synchronization)", on page 216

Result Display

The selected measurement results are displayed in the window(s). Configuration of the windows can be performed via the result window configuration dialog (see Chapter 6.5, "Display and Window Configuration", on page 240).

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| | I/Q Pattern Search. | |
| | Demodulation and Symbol Decisions | |
| | Pattern Symbol Check | |
| | Synchronization and the Reference Signal | |
| | The Equalizer | |

4.4.1 Burst Search

The burst search is performed only if it is switched on. Otherwise, this stage is skipped. If the signal is bursted, it is recommended that you switch the burst search on. This ensures that all internal estimators are operated in time ranges where the burst power ramping is up.

To eliminate amplitude variations caused by noise or the modulation itself, the instantaneous power of the whole capture buffer is calculated. Then a moving average filter is applied. The length of this filter is automatically determined with the help of the user settings.

The filtered power of the capture buffer is then compared to an automatically chosen threshold and the rising and falling edges of bursts are identified. With the help of the detected edges and some further processing, it is possible to decide whether the burst "candidates" comply with the user settings.

All bursts must have a length between ("Min Burst Length" – "Search Tolerance") and ("Max Burst Length" + "Search Tolerance") to be accepted. See "Burst Settings" on page 156 and Chapter 5.6.1, "Burst Search", on page 201 for a more detailed description of these parameters.

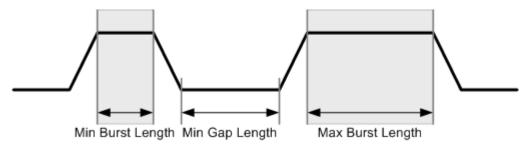


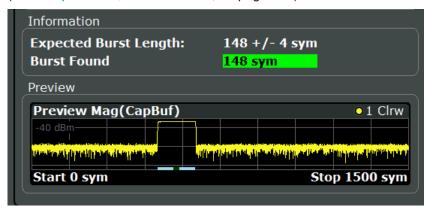
Figure 4-50: Burst Search parameters

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You can influence the robustness of the burst search directly by entering the correct minimum gap length, minimum burst length and maximum burst length (see "Burst Settings" on page 156 and "Min Gap Length" on page 203). Refer to Figure 4-50 for an illustration of the three parameters.

The detected bursts in the capture buffer for the current burst search settings are indicated by blue lines in the preview area of the "Burst Search" configuration dialog box (see Chapter 5.6.1, "Burst Search", on page 201).



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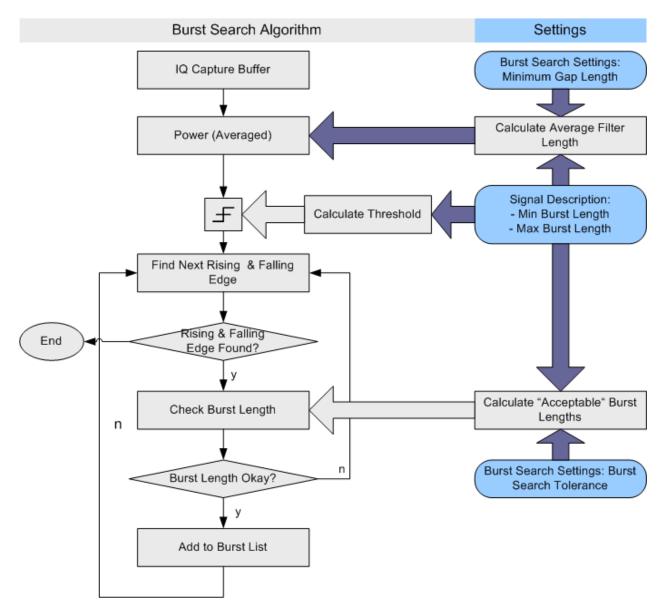


Figure 4-51: Burst search algorithm

4.4.2 I/Q Pattern Search

The I/Q pattern search is performed only if it is switched on. Otherwise, this stage is skipped. The main benefit of the I/Q pattern search is that it enables an alignment of the result range to the pattern. Furthermore, this stage can function as a filter: If the burst search and I/Q pattern search are switched on, and the parameter "Meas Only If Pattern Symbols Correct" is set to true, only bursts with the correct pattern are demodulated (see "Meas only if Pattern Symbols Correct" on page 205).

During the I/Q pattern search stage, the capture buffer is searched for an I/Q pattern by trying different time and frequency hypotheses. The I/Q pattern is generated internally, based on the specified symbol number of the pattern and the signal description

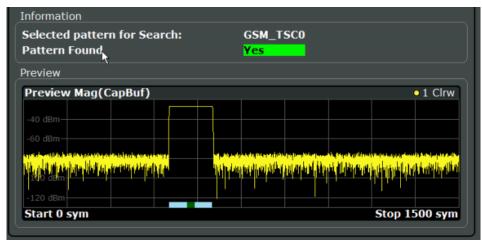
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(i.e. modulation scheme and transmit filter). The I/Q pattern search can also be referred to as the I/Q waveform. An I/Q pattern is considered detected if the correlation metric, i.e. the correlation value between the ideal I/Q pattern and capture buffer, exceeds a specified "I/Q Correlation Threshold" (see "I/Q Correlation Threshold" on page 204.)

If the burst search is switched on, the I/Q pattern search only searches the I/Q pattern in bursts previously detected by the burst search. Furthermore, it only finds the first I/Q pattern within each burst. If the burst search is switched off, the I/Q pattern search searches for the I/Q pattern in the entire capture buffer.



The first detected pattern in the capture buffer for the current pattern search settings is indicated by a green line in the preview area of the "Pattern Search" configuration dialog box (see Chapter 5.6.2, "Pattern Search", on page 203).



Predefined Patterns

Common standards usually have predefined pattern lists with standard-specific patterns. You select the patterns required for the current measurement from this list. You can also add patterns that are already available in the R&S FSW or newly created patterns to the list.

4.4.3 Demodulation and Symbol Decisions

This stage operates on the result range and aims to make the correct symbol decisions. The algorithm is illustrated in Figure 4-52 using the example of a QPSK modulation. After timing and scaling recovery, a frequency offset and phase offset estimator is employed.

After this coarse synchronization, the R&S FSW VSA application makes symbol decisions, i.e. recovers which symbols were transmitted by the device under test (DUT).

Typically, the employed estimators are "non-data-aided" (NDA) estimators. This means that they operate on an unknown data sequence. Since the local oscillators (LO) of the transmitter (device under test) and the receiver (R&S FSW) are normally not coupled,

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their phase offset with respect to each other is unknown. The unknown transmission delay between DUT and R&S FSW adds a further unknown phase offset.

Due to this unknown phase offset and the rotational symmetry of e.g. a PSK constellation, the result of the demodulation can be ambiguous concerning the absolute phase position. For example, for non-differential QPSK modulation, the measurement signal, the reference signal and the decided I/Q symbols can have a constant phase offset of $\{0, \pi/2, \pi, \text{ or } 3\pi/2\}$. This offset can only be detected and eliminated if a pattern was successfully detected at symbol level (see also Chapter 4.4.4, "Pattern Symbol Check", on page 112).

If modulation types are used where the information is represented by the phase transition, e.g. differential PSK or MSK, the absolute phase position is not an issue. Thus, the ambiguity of the starting phase does not have an influence on the symbol decisions.

If the measurement signal contains a known pattern, it is also possible to use a "data-aided" (DA) estimator at this stage. This means that the estimator operates on a known data sequence, i.e. the pattern. If the signal contains a pattern, it is possible to choose between the above-described non-data-aided estimator and the data-aided estimator with the setting "Coarse Synchronization: Pattern". If the data-aided estimator is employed, the phase ambiguity can be resolved at this stage.

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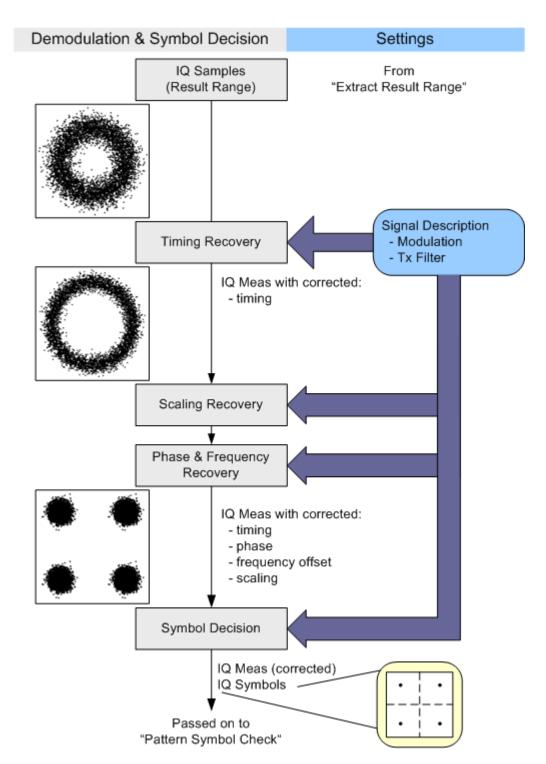


Figure 4-52: Demodulation and Symbol Decision algorithm

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4.4.4 Pattern Symbol Check

This stage performs a bit-by-bit comparison between the selected pattern and the demodulated bits. It is important to note that this comparison is only performed at positions that the I/Q pattern search identified as possible pattern positions. The algorithm and a simple example are illustrated in Figure 4-53.

First, the pattern candidate bits are extracted from the whole bitstream calculated by the "Demodulation & Symbol Decisions" stage. This means that the symbol stream is cut at the position that the I/Q Pattern Search detected as the start of the pattern. The extracted sequence is then compared to the selected pattern.

If the demodulation was ambiguous regarding the absolute phase position, the extracted sequence must be compared to all possible rotated versions of the selected pattern. For example, in the case of QPSK modulation, the rotational symmetry has the order four, i.e. there are four pattern hypotheses. If the extracted sequence coincides with one of the hypotheses, the pattern is declared as "found" and the absolute phase corresponding to the appropriate hypothesis is passed on. Both the symbol decisions and the I/Q measurement signal are then rotated with this pattern phase (for the whole result range), thus resolving the phase ambiguity.

For more information refer to:

- Chapter 4.4.3, "Demodulation and Symbol Decisions", on page 109
- Chapter 4.4.2, "I/Q Pattern Search", on page 108

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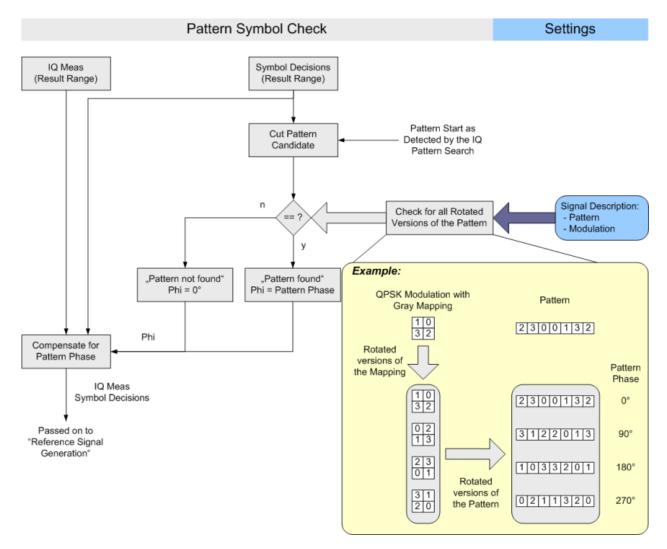


Figure 4-53: Pattern Symbol Check algorithm

4.4.5 Synchronization and the Reference Signal

TheR&S FSW VSA application generates the ideal reference signal based on the detected symbols and the specifications of the signal model, that is: the modulation scheme, the transmit filter (Tx filter), and the transmitted symbols. In the fine synchronization stage, the measurement signal and the reference signal are correlated to obtain a more precisely synchronized measurement signal.

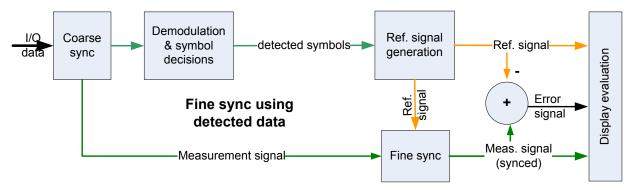
The results of the correlation are used to calculate various results, e.g. the EVM and BER. Various methods are available to determine the reference signal and perform fine synchronization.

Fine synchronization using detected data

By default, the reference signal is estimated from the detected data. However, if the signal has a poor transmission quality or a high noise level, false symbol decisions are

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more frequent. That can cause spikes in the EVM results and lead to a false reference signal.



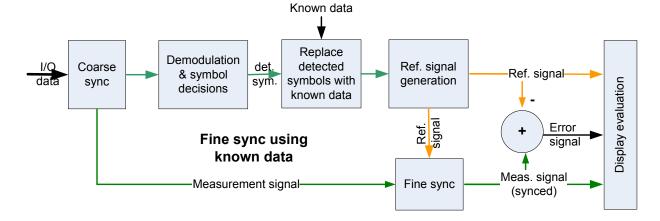
To improve the symbol decisions in poor signals, in particular when multiple detection errors occur, the reference signal can be estimated from a smaller area that includes a known symbol sequence in the input signal. In this case, the results for the limited reference area are more precise, at the cost of less accurate results outside this area. The reference area can be defined either using a pattern or using a known data sequence from a Known Data file. If no predefined data sequences are available for the signal, the detected data is used by default.

Fine synchronization using known data

If the data sequences to be expected in the signal are known in advance, they can be loaded to the R&S FSW VSA application and used for comparison with the measured signal. The reference signal is then defined as the data sequence from the file that most closely matches the measured data.

Additionally, you can define a maximum symbol error rate (SER) for the known sequence in reference to the measured data. If the SER of the known sequence exceeds this limit, the default synchronization using the detected data is performed.

Thus, assuming a perfect match exists in the known data, this sequence is the ideal reference signal, with no detection errors. The EVM is calculated correctly and fine synchronization is very precise.



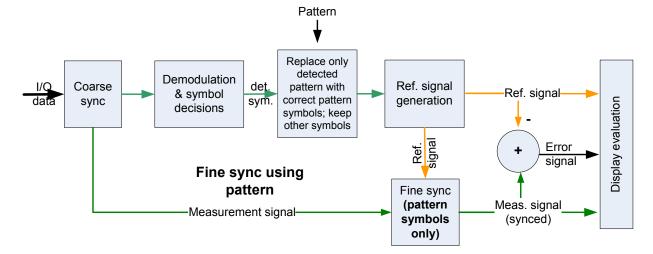
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Fine synchronization using a pattern

Sometimes, the data sequence to be expected in the entire result range is not known in advance; however, a specific symbol pattern that always occurs is known. In this case, the reference signal can be estimated from the defined pattern where available, while all data outside the pattern is estimated using the detected symbols. Detection errors within the pattern are corrected. The EVM is calculated using the complete reference signal; it is correct only within the pattern.

Fine synchronization, on the other hand, is performed only within the pattern range, which is usually much shorter than the result range. The fewer the symbols on which synchronization is based, the less accurate it becomes.

To obtain correct results for all evaluated data, it is recommended that you reduce the result range to the length of the pattern.



4.4.6 The Equalizer

A possible source of high modulation errors of the DUT with PSK and QAM signals is a non-flat frequency response or ripple in frequency response within the modulation bandwidth.

The following components of the DUT may cause these effects:

- Analog filter sections
- Digital filter sections, if a shortened filter length is used
- Digital arithmetic sections, if a shortened bit-length is used

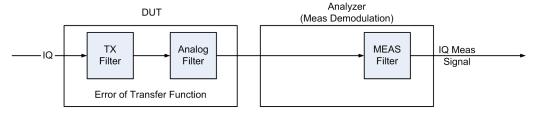


Figure 4-54: General processing in the modulation- and demodulation stages

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To improve the modulation analysis results, an equalizer filter with a reverse frequency response characteristic can compensate less-distorted frequency responses (see Figure 4-55).

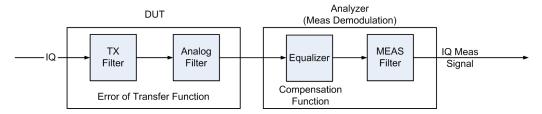


Figure 4-55: Compensation of the transfer function error by inserting an equalizer in the receive path

For small distortions, the reference signal can be determined correctly without preequalization. The equalizer can be calculated by comparing the reference signal and the measured signal and is only applied to the measured signal. This is referred to as **normal equalizer mode**. Note that the resulting equalizer function is not simply the inverted distortion function.

For more complex distortions, the reference signal might not be determined correctly due to wrong symbol decisions. Despite the resulting imperfect equalizer calculation, the estimated equalizer is often good enough to improve the reference signal creation in the succeeding sweep. Thus, the new equalizer is improved successively. This processing mode of the equalizer is called **tracking mode**. After only a few sweeps, the results are sufficiently accurate and the learning phase is completed. Then the equalizer can be used without additional calculations as long as the input signal remains stable. If an unstable input has led to an unusable equalizer filter, reset the equalizer with the "Reset" button.

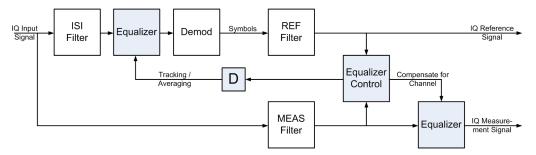


Figure 4-56: An equalizer filter can be activated in the reference and measurement signal path. The filter coefficients are determined in such a way that the error vector magnitude (EVM) is minimized.

If the result range used for equalizer calculation is too short, the equalizer may provide unstable impulse responses. For time-invariant channels, the estimation length can be extended using **Averaging mode**. In this case, the statistics from *all* previously determined reference signals and measurement signals are averaged to determine the current equalizer function. Thus, the results of previous sweeps are continuously considered to calculate the current equalizer values. Averaging is only restarted when the R&S FSW is switched off or when the user manually resets the equalizer. Obviously, this method requires a stable input signal for the entire duration of the measurement, as otherwise previous results distort the current equalizer.

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This process requires extended calculation time so that the measurement update rate of the R&S FSW decreases distinctly. When the distortions are compensated sufficiently, this averaging process can be stopped. The current filter is **frozen**, that means it is no longer changed.

Keep in mind that in tracking and averaging mode, for sweep counts > 1, repeated analysis of past result ranges might lead to different results.

The equalizer algorithm is limited to PSK and QAM modulation schemes, as the optimization criterion of the algorithm is based on minimizing the mean square error vector magnitude. Thus it cannot be used for FSK modulation.

User-defined equalizers

Instead of tracking equalizer values repeatedly for different input signals, you can store existing values to a file and load them again later. This is useful if signals from the same input source are measured frequently. In this case, you only have to calculate a filter once and can use the same equalizer filter again and again.

Filter length

The length of the equalizer can be defined in symbols. The longer the equalizer the higher the resolution in the frequency domain is and the more distortion can be compensated. The shorter the filter length, the less calculation time the equalizer requires during the tracking or averaging phase.

Estimation points per symbol

You can define how many sample points are used for the equalizer calculation at each symbol ("Estimation points per symbol", see Chapter 4.7, "Display Points vs Estimation Points per Symbol", on page 139). Typically, this is one point per symbol (= symbol rate) or a factor of 2.

Channel EVM

The equalizer not only compensates for distortions in the measurement signal, but also improves the accuracy of the estimated ideal reference signal. Thus, it is recommended that you enable the equalizer once you have analyzed the original input signal on the R&S FSW. By default, the error results are calculated using the compensated values if the equalizer is enabled. However, to analyze the actual error values obtained from the distorted channel, you can disable the compensation for channel results.

4.5 Signal Model, Estimation and Modulation Errors

This section describes the signal and error models used within the R&S FSW VSA application. The estimation algorithms used to quantify specific modulation errors are then outlined. The descriptions vary depending on the modulation type.

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4.5.1 PSK, QAM and MSK Modulation

4.5.1.1 Error Model

Modelling Modulation Errors

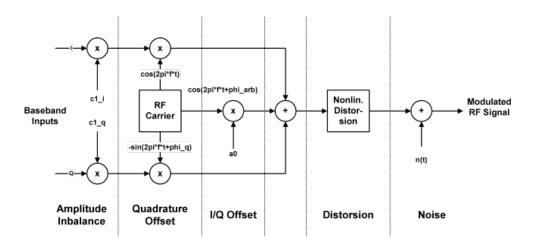


Figure 4-57: Modeling Modulation Errors

The measured signal model for PSK, QAM and MSK modulation is shown in Figure 4-57 and can be expressed as:

$$MEAS(t) = \left(g_I \cdot REF_I(t-\tau) + c_I + j \cdot \left(g_Q \cdot REF_Q(t-\tau) + c_Q\right) e^{j \cdot Q}\right) e^{j \cdot (2\pi f_0 t + \varphi) - cat} + n(t)$$

Where:

REF_I(t) and REF_Q(t): the inphase and quadrature component of the reference signal

 g_I and g_Q : the effects of the gain imbalance

c_I and c_Q: the effects of an I/Q offset

ϑ: the quadrature error

α: the amplitude droop

f₀: the carrier frequency offset

φ: the carrier phase offset

τ: the timing offset

n(t): a disturbing additive noise process of unknown power

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4.5.1.2 Estimation

The R&S FSW VSA application includes two synchronization stages. The first stage has already been described in the context of the "Demodulation & Symbol Decisions" block (see Chapter 4.4.3, "Demodulation and Symbol Decisions", on page 109).

The second stage is realized within the "Synchronization" block. Here, the measurement signal is matched to the reference signal by minimizing the mean square of the error vector magnitude. This is done by selecting the optimum parameter vector #:

$$\hat{x} = \arg\min_{\hat{x}} \left\{ \sum_{t} |MEAS(t) - REF(t, \widetilde{x})|^2 \right\}$$

The minimization takes place at the sample instants specified by the Estimation Points/Sym parameter, i.e.

$$t = n \cdot T_E$$

With T_E: the sampling period used for estimation

Then, the measurement signal is corrected with the determined parameter vector. Note that with a subset of the parameters, you can enable or disable correction (see Chapter 5.8.1, "Demodulation - Compensation", on page 213).

Estimation ranges

The "estimation ranges" are determined internally according to the signal description:

- For continuous signals, the estimation range corresponds to the entire result range, since it can then be assumed that the signal consists of valid modulated symbols at all time instants.
- For bursted signals, the estimation range corresponds to the overlapping area of the detected burst and the "Result Range". Furthermore, the Run-In/Run-Out ranges (see "Burst Settings" on page 156) are explicitly excluded from the estimation range.

In rare cases, the signal is specified as a "burst signal", but is so highly distorted that the burst search cannot detect a burst. In this case, the estimation range corresponds to the pattern. If an offset of the pattern relative to the burst start is specified, this range is also part of the estimation range.

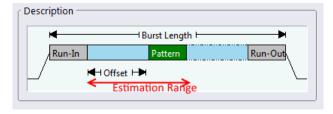


Figure 4-58: Estimation range for a bursted signal with a pattern offset

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Error vector (EV)

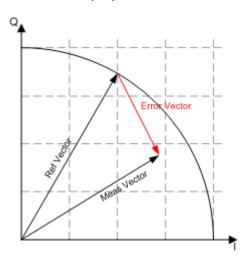


Figure 4-59: Modulation error: error vector

The error vector is the difference between the measurement signal vector (Meas vector) and the reference signal vector (Ref vector).

Error Vector Magnitude (EVM)

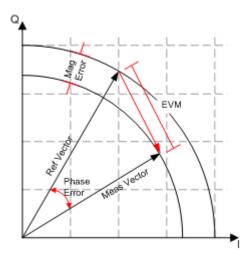


Figure 4-60: Modulation error: EVM, magnitude error, phase error

The magnitude of the error vector in the diagram is specified as the error vector magnitude (EVM). It is commonly normalized to the mean reference power, or alternatively to the maximum reference power or the mean or maximum constellation power (power at the symbol instants, see "Normalize EVM to" on page 217). Do not confuse the EVM with the magnitude error, see below.

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Magnitude Error

The magnitude error is defined as the difference between the measurement vector magnitude and the reference vector magnitude (see Figure 4-60).

Phase Error

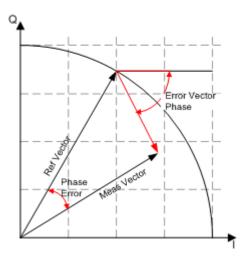


Figure 4-61: Modulation error: Phase error, error vector phase

The phase error is the phase difference between the measurement vector and the reference vector.

$$PHASE_ERR(t) = PHASE_{MEAS}(t) - PHASE_{REF}(t)$$

This measurement parameter is of great importance for MSK modulation measurements.

Do not confuse the phase error with the error vector phase. The error vector phase is the absolute phase of the error vector (see Figure 4-61).

The effects of the different modulation errors in the transmitter on the result display of the analyzer are described in the next topics. All diagrams show the equivalent, complex baseband signal.

Modulation Error Ratio (MER)

The modulation error ratio (MER) is closely related to EVM:

$$MER = -20 \cdot \log_{10} (EVM) dB$$

Where the EVM is normalized to the mean reference power.

Symbol Rate Error (SRE)

The symbol rate error (SRE) describes the difference between the defined (reference) symbol rate and the currently measured symbol rate in relation to the reference symbol rate. The value is given in parts per million (ppm).

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$$SRE = \frac{SR_{Meas} - SR_{Ref}}{SR_{Ref}}$$

The SRE is only calculated if compensation for SRE is activated (see Chapter 5.8.1, "Demodulation - Compensation", on page 213), and not for FSK modulation.

Example:

For a defined symbol rate of $SR_{Ref} = 1$ MHz, and a measured symbol rate of $SR_{Meas} = 999.9$ kHz, the symbol rate error is:

SRE = [(999.9-1000) / 1000] * 1 000 000 ppm = -100 ppm

I/Q Offset (Origin Offset)

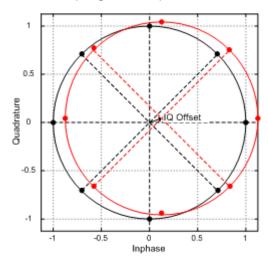


Figure 4-62: Effect of an I/Q or origin offset after demodulation and error compensation

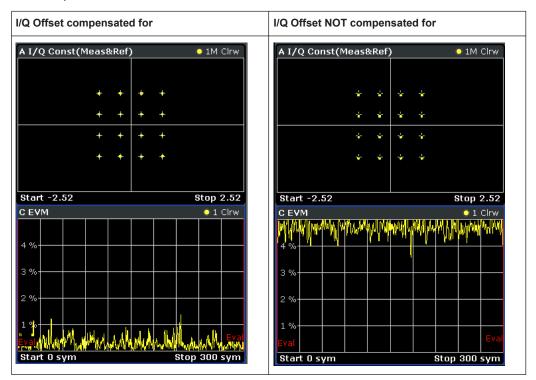
The effect of an I/Q offset in the transmitter is shown in Figure 4-62.

If the corresponding option is selected in the demodulation settings, the I/Q offset can be compensated for. In this case, the offset does not affect the EVM.

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Example:

The following figures compare the results for a compensated I/Q offset of 2.5% and a non-compensated offset.



Gain Imbalance

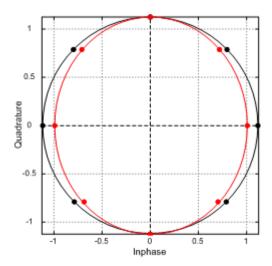


Figure 4-63: Effect of gain imbalance

The gain difference in the I and Q channels during signal generation in the transmitter is referred to as gain imbalance. The effect of this error on the constellation diagram and the unit circle are shown in Figure 4-63. In the example, the gain in the I channel is slightly reduced which causes a distortion of coordinates in the I direction. The unit circle of the ideal constellation points has an elliptic shape.

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If the corresponding option is selected in the demodulation settings, the gain imbalance can be compensated for. In this case, the imbalance does not affect the EVM.

Note that the gain imbalance is not estimated (and cannot be compensated for) in a BPSK signal.



Preconditions for Gain Imbalance and Quadrature Error measurements

The distortions "gain imbalance" and "quadrature error" can only be measured without ambiguity, if the following two conditions are fulfilled:

- A pattern is detected
- The modulation is a non-differential, non-rotating QAM or PSK

Otherwise, only the measurement parameter "I/Q Imbalance", which is a combination of the gain imbalance and the quadrature error, is significant.

Quadrature Error

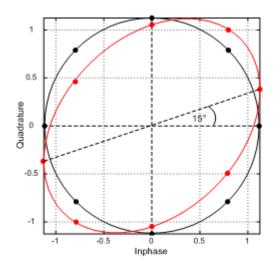


Figure 4-64: Effect of Quadrature Error

The quadrature error is another modulation error which is shown in Figure 4-64.

In this diagram, the I and Q components of the modulated carrier are of identical amplitude but the phase between the two components deviates from 90°.

This error also distorts the coordinates. In the example in Figure 4-64, the Q-axis is shifted.

Note that the quadrature error is not estimated (and cannot be compensated for) in a BPSK signal.

I/Q Imbalance

The effect of quadrature error and gain imbalance are combined to form the error parameter I/Q imbalance.

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$$B_{[lin]} = \frac{\left| g_I - g_Q \cdot e^{j\theta} \right|}{\left| g_I + g_Q \cdot e^{j\theta} \right|}$$

Where g_I and g_Q are the gain of the inphase and the quadrature component and θ represents the quadrature error.

If the corresponding option is selected in the demodulation settings, the I/Q imbalance can be compensated for. In this case, the I/Q imbalance does not affect the EVM.

Note that the I/Q imbalance is not estimated (and cannot be compensated for) in a BPSK signal.

Amplitude Droop

The decrease of the signal power over time in the transmitter is referred to amplitude droop.

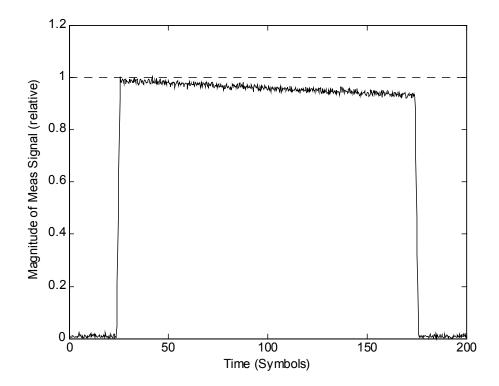
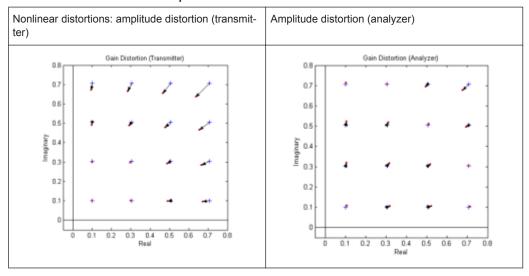


Figure 4-65: Effect of amplitude droop

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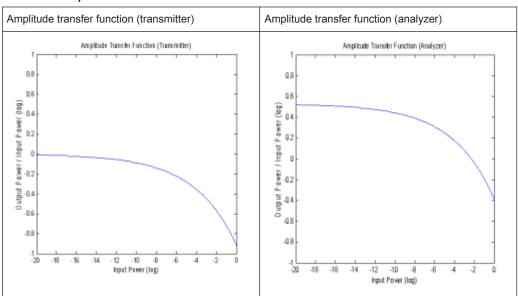
Gain Distortion

Table 4-20: Effect of nonlinear amplitude distortions



The effect of nonlinear amplitude distortions on a 64QAM signal is illustrated in Table 4-20 (only the first quadrant is shown). The transfer function is level-dependent: the highest effects occur at high input levels while low signal levels are hardly affected. The signal is scaled in the analyzer so that the average square magnitude of the error vector is minimized. The second column shows the signal after scaling.

Table 4-21: Amplitude transfer functions

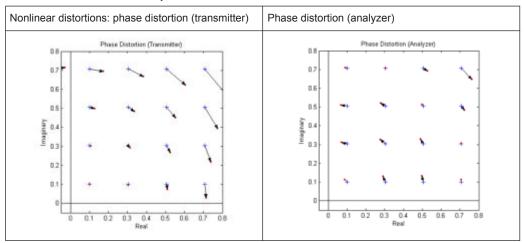


A logarithmic display of the amplitude transfer functions is shown in Table 4-21. The analyzer trace is shifted against the transmitter trace by this scale factor.

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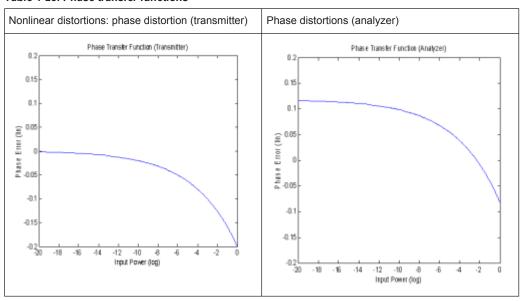
Phase Distortion

Table 4-22: Effect of nonlinear phase distortions



The effect of nonlinear phase distortions on a 64QAM signal is illustrated in Table 4-22 (only the first quadrant is shown). The transfer function is level-dependent: the highest effects occur at high input levels while low signal levels are hardly affected. These effects are caused, for instance, by saturation in the transmitter output stages. The signal is scaled in the analyzer so that the average square magnitude of the error vector is minimized. The second column shows the signal after scaling.

Table 4-23: Phase transfer functions



A logarithmic display of the phase transfer functions is shown in Table 4-23. The analyzer trace is shifted by the phase described above compared to the transmitter trace.

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Noise

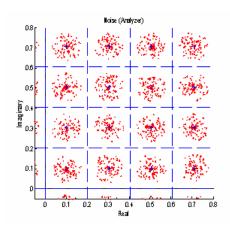


Figure 4-66: Additive noise

A 64QAM signal with additive noise is shown in Figure 4-66 (only the first quadrant is shown). The symbol decision thresholds are also shown.

The noise signal forms a "cloud" around the ideal symbol point in the constellation diagram. If the symbol decision boundaries are exceeded, wrong symbol decisions are made, increasing the bit error rate.

Similar displays are obtained for incorrect transmitter filter settings. When an incorrect filter is selected, crosstalk occurs between neighboring symbol decision points instead of the ISI-free points. The effect increases the more the filtering deviates from actual requirements.

The two effects described cannot be distinguished in the Constellation I/Q diagram but in statistical and spectral analyses of the error signal.

Channel (transmission) distortion

During transmission, disturbances in the transmission channel can cause distortions in the input signal at the R&S FSW. Such influences are included in the EVM calculation. However, if the ideal (reference) signal can be estimated with sufficient accuracy by the R&S FSW (e.g. using the equalizer), the channel distortions can be compensated for and deducted from the EVM.

4.5.2 FSK Modulation

Signal Model

Frequency shift keying (FSK) involves the encoding of information in the frequency of a transmitted signal. As opposed to other modulation formats such as PSK and QAM, the FSK process is a non-linear transformation of the transmitted data into the transmitted waveform.

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A sequence of symbols $\{s_i\}$ are modulated using a "frequency pulse" g(t) to form the instantaneous frequency of the transmitted complex baseband waveform, denoted by $f_{REF}(t)$ and defined as:

$$f_{REF}(t) = h \cdot \sum_{i} s_{i} g(t - i \cdot T)$$

Where f_{Symb} =1/T is the symbol rate and h is a scaling factor, termed the modulation index. The transmitted (or reference) FSK signal is created by frequency modulation of the instantaneous frequency:

$$REF(t) = e^{j \cdot 2 \cdot \pi \cdot \int_{\infty}^{t} f_{REF}(u) du} = e^{j \cdot \varphi_{REF}(t)}$$

Where $\varphi_{REF}(t)$ denotes the phase of the transmitted waveform. In the R&S FSW VSA application, a continuous-phase FSK signal is assumed, which is ensured by the integral in the expression for REF(t). A graphical depiction of the reference waveform generation is shown below in Figure 4-67.

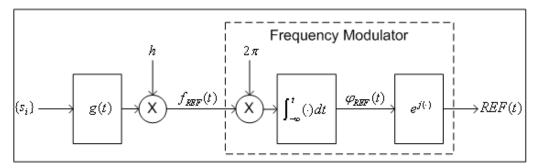


Figure 4-67: Reference complex baseband FSK signal generation

Reference Deviation

The transmitted symbols $\{s_i\}$ are assumed to be chosen from a finite and real-valued constellation of M values; $\{\varsigma_1, \varsigma_2, ..., \varsigma_M\}$. The maximum absolute constellation point is denoted by ς_{MAX} . The maximum phase contribution of a data symbol is given by:

$$\phi_{MAX} = 2 \cdot \pi \cdot h \cdot \varsigma_{MAX} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(t) dt$$

The reference deviation of the FSK signal is defined as:

$$\Lambda_{REF} = \frac{\phi_{MAX}}{2 \cdot \pi \cdot T} = \frac{1}{T} h \cdot \varsigma_{MAX} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(t) \cdot dt$$

In the R&S FSW VSA application the frequency pulse filter is normalized such that:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(t) \cdot dt = \frac{1}{2}$$

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The constellation for M FSK is assumed to be $\{\pm 1, \pm 3, ..., \pm (M-1)\}$, which implies $\varsigma_{MAX} = M-1$. The expression for the reference deviation in terms of the modulation index is therefore given by:

$$\Lambda_{REF} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot h \cdot (M - 1) \cdot f_{Symb}$$

The above formula provides the necessary calculation for measurement of an FSK signal with known symbol rate and modulation index.

Calculation examples:

The GSM standard describes the transmission of binary data using MSK (i.e. 2FSK) modulation with a modulation index of h=1/2 at a symbol rate of 270.8333 KHz. The reference deviation is therefore given by:

$$\Lambda_{REF} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \cdot (2-1) \cdot (270.8333 \text{ kHz}) = 67.7083 \text{ kHz}$$

The APCO Project 25 standard (phase 2) defines a H-CPM signal (i.e. 4FSK) with a modulation index of h=1/3 and a symbol rate of 6 KHz. The reference deviation is:

$$\Lambda_{REF} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{3}\right) \cdot (4-1) \cdot (6 \text{ kHz}) = 3 \text{ kHz}$$

4.5.2.1 Error Model

The FSK measurement model used assumes that signal distortions in both the magnitude and phase/frequency are present, as well as additive noise. The measured signal model is expressed as:

$$MEAS(t) = A_{DIST}(t) \cdot e^{j \cdot \varphi_{DIST}(t)} + n(t)$$

With

n(t) is a disturbing additive noise process of unknown power,

 $A_{DIST}(t)$ is the distorted magnitude model and

 $\varphi^{DIST(t)}$ is the distorted phase model.

The magnitude model is given by:

$$A_{DIST}(t) = K \cdot e^{-\alpha \cdot t}$$

With

K is a constant scaling factor which can be interpreted as the system gain and α is the amplitude droop in Nepers per second.

The phase model is given by:

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$$\varphi_{DIST}(t) = B \cdot \varphi_{REF}(t-\tau) + C \cdot t + \frac{1}{2}D \cdot t^2 + \phi$$

With

B is a scaling factor which results in a reference deviation error,

C is a carrier frequency offset in radians per second,

D is a frequency drift in radians per second per second,

т is a timing offset in seconds and

φ is a phase offset in radians.

For the above phase model, an equivalent frequency distortion model can be expressed as:

$$f_{DIST}(t) = B \cdot f_{REF}(t-\tau) + f_0 + f_d \cdot t$$

with:

B is the scaling factor which results in a reference deviation error,

 $f_0 = C/(2 \cdot \pi)$ is a carrier frequency offset in Hz,

 $f_0 = D/(2 \cdot \pi)$ is a frequency drift in Hz per second and

 τ is the timing offset in seconds.

The measured signal model in terms of the instantaneous frequency and all distortion parameters is given by:

$$MEAS(t) = K \cdot e^{-\alpha \cdot t} \cdot e^{j \cdot \phi} \cdot e^{\int_{-\infty}^{t} f_{REF}(u-\tau) du + f_0 \cdot t + \frac{1}{2} f_d \cdot t^2} + n(t)$$

4.5.2.2 Estimation

The estimation of the distortion parameters listed previously is performed separately for the magnitude and phase/frequency distortions, as illustrated in Figure 4-68. Note that the estimation of the timing offset is performed only on the frequency of the signal, as the reference magnitude is assumed to be constant over the estimation range. For details on the estimation range, see "Estimation ranges" on page 119.

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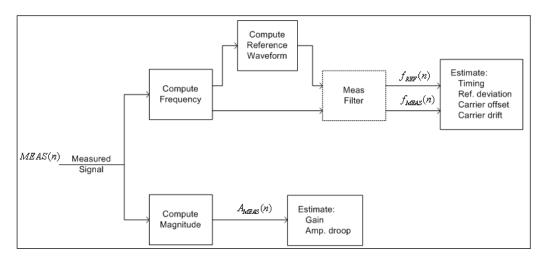


Figure 4-68: FSK Estimation Strategy

In Figure 4-68 MEAS(n) denotes the sampled (complex baseband) measured signal waveform. The magnitude samples are denoted $A_{MEAS}(n)$, while the instantaneous frequency samples of the measured and reference signals are denoted by $f_{MEAS}(n)$ and $f_{REF}(n)$ respectively. The dashed outline of the "Meas Filter" block indicates that this operation is optionally (de-) activated based on the corresponding user settings (see "Type" on page 221).

For the estimation of the magnitude parameters, the following least-squares criterion is minimized regarding the model parameters K and α :

$$C_{MAG}(K,\alpha) = \sum_{n} |A_{MEAS}(n) - K \cdot e^{-\alpha \cdot n \cdot T_E}|^2$$

where T_E denotes the sampling period used for estimation (see "Estimation Points/Sym" on page 218)

For estimation of the frequency parameters, the following least-squares criterion is minimized regarding the model parameters B, f_0 , f_d and τ .

$$C_{FREQ}(B, f_0, f_d, \tau) = \sum_{n} \left| f_{MEAS}(n) - \left[B \cdot f_{REF}(n; \tau) + f_0 + f_d \cdot n \cdot T_E \right]^2 \right|$$

The term denotes the reference instantaneous frequency with a (possibly fractional) delay of samples.



For FSK modulation, the default sampling period used for estimation is the capture sampling period.

4.5.2.3 Modulation Errors

A 2FSK signal is generated using a GMSK frequency pulse. Examples of carrier drift and reference deviation are shown in Figure 4-69 and Figure 4-70, respectively.

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Carrier frequency drift

A carrier frequency drift is modeled as a linear change in the carrier frequency over time. The effect of carrier drift on the instantaneous frequency of an FSK signal is illustrated in Figure 4-69.

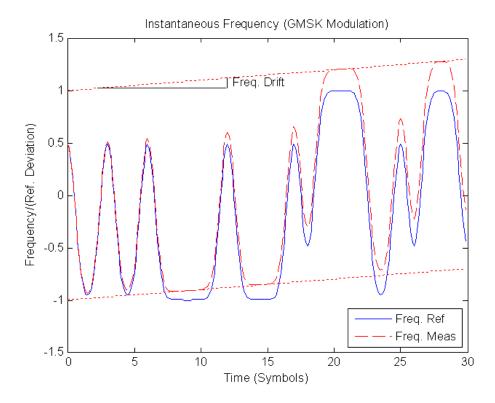


Figure 4-69: The reference and distorted instantaneous frequency of a GMSK signal with a carrier frequency drift

FSK deviation error

The FSK deviation error is the difference between the measured frequency deviation and the user-defined reference frequency deviation (see "FSK Ref Deviation (FSK only)" on page 154). The evidence of a deviation error in the instantaneous frequency of an FSK signal is demonstrated in Figure 4-70.

Measurement Ranges

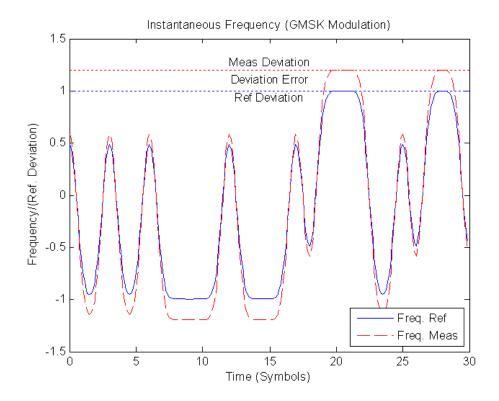


Figure 4-70: The reference and measured instantaneous frequency of a GMSK signal with reference deviation error

4.6 Measurement Ranges

You must define three measurement ranges in the R&S FSW VSA application:

Capture Buffer Length

The length of the capture buffer specifies how many data points are captured during a single VSA measurement.

To measure a bursted signal, define the capture length long enough to ensure that each capture buffer includes at least one entire burst.

The maximum capture buffer length is 50 MSymbols (for a sample rate of 4) or 200 million samples.

If the optional 2 GHz bandwidth extension (R&S FSW-B2000) is active, the capture buffer is restricted to 256,000 samples.

Result Range

The result range defines the symbols from the capture buffer that are to be demodulated and analyzed together.

For example, bursted signals have intervals between the bursts that are not of interest when analyzing peaks or overshoots. Thus, the result range usually coincides with the range of the capture buffer in which the burst is located.

The maximum result range length is 64 000 symbols (for a sample rate of 4) or 256 000 samples.

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Evaluation Range

The evaluation range defines the symbols from the result range that are to be included in the evaluation of specific parameters, e.g. error vectors. For example, you may want to display the ramps of a burst and thus include them in the result range. However, they do not contribute to the error vectors or power levels. Thus, you would not include them in the evaluation range.

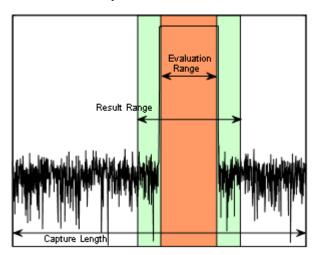


Figure 4-71: Schematic overview of Capture Length, Result Range, and Evaluation Range

The determined result and evaluation ranges are included in the result displays (where useful) to visualize the basis of the displayed values and traces.

4.6.1 Result Range

The result range defines the symbols from the capture buffer that are to be demodulated and analyzed together.

Sometimes, the data in the capture buffer contains parts that are not relevant for the evaluation task at hand. Thus, you can exclude them from the result range (see Chapter 5.7, "Result Range Configuration", on page 210).

Result range display

The result ranges are indicated by green bars along the time axis of the capture buffer result diagrams.

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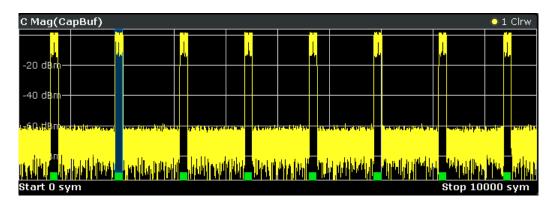


Figure 4-72: Result ranges for a burst signal

Result displays whose source is not the capture buffer are based on a single result range, such as the "EVM vs. Time" display or the data in the "Current" column of the Result Summary. In this case, you can use the capture buffer display to navigate through the available result ranges (Select Result Rng function), and analyze the individual result ranges in separate windows. The currently displayed result range is indicated by a blue bar in the capture buffer display.

You can change the position of the result range quickly and easily by dragging the blue bar representing the result range to a different position in the capture buffer.

Continuous and discrete result ranges

Depending on the type of signal and your result range definition, the result ranges can be continuous or discrete. Bursted signals commonly have several discrete result ranges at the bursts. They can have intervals during the noise periods which should not be included in the results (see Figure 4-72).

Continuous signals, on the other hand, have result ranges that cover the entire or a specific part of the capture buffer without intervals.

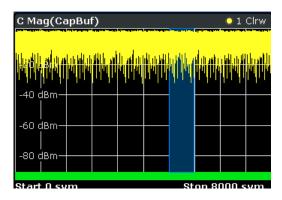


Figure 4-73: Result ranges for a continuous signal

Result Range Length

The result range length is defined by the number of symbols that are to be demodulated. All traces over time are displayed over the result range. For example, if you have a

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burst of 100 symbols and you define the result length as 200 symbols, you can examine the burst ramps in detail. Select the alignment "Burst:Center".

The maximum result length is 64 000 symbols (for a sample rate of 4) or 256 000 samples.

Result Range Alignment

You can define an offset of the x-axis (in addition to the one defined for the signal structure). Define the number of the symbol which marks the beginning of the reference source used for alignment (burst, capture buffer or pattern, see "Offset" on page 157).

For example, align the result to the center of the pattern. Set the "Symbol Number at Pattern Start" to "0". Now you can easily find the pattern start in the EVM measurement simply by moving a marker to the symbol number "0".



When you define the "Symbol Number at <Reference> Start", remember to take the offset defined for the signal structure into consideration (see "Offset" on page 157). Assume an offset of the pattern with respect to the useful part of the burst in the signal description. Align the result to the pattern. In this case, the "Symbol Number at Pattern Start" refers to the first symbol of the useful part of the burst, not the first symbol of the pattern.

Run-In / Run-Out Time

The parameter "Run-In/-Out" can be used to influence the range over which the EVM is minimized. The (internal) synchronization range is the overlapping area of the result range and the burst excluding its "Run-In/-Out" areas. The "Run-In/-Out" areas can be used to exclude symbols from influencing the synchronization. Hence, this parameter also allows for demodulation of bursts with mixed modulations, e.g. Bluetooth.

Useful length

The burst excluding its Run-In/-Out areas is sometimes referred to as the "useful part". The minimum length of the useful part must be at least 10 symbols.

RR Length - Run-In - Run-Out ≥ 10

Remote commands:

A remote command is provided to determine the position of the current result range within the capture buffer:

[SENSe:] DDEMod:SEARch:MBURst:STARt? on page 464

4.6.2 Evaluation Range

In some scenarios, the result range contains symbols that are not supposed to be considered for the EVM or other calculated parameters that are displayed in the Result Summary.

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For example, you want to display the ramps of a burst and thus include them in the result range. However, they do not contribute to the error vectors or power levels. Thus, you do not include them in the evaluation range.

(See also Chapter 9.3.5, "Setting the Evaluation Range", on page 283.)

The evaluation range is always equal to or smaller than the result range and defines:

- The range over which traces that do not have a time axis are displayed, e.g. polar diagrams
- The range over which the following parameters are calculated for the Result Summary: EVM, MER, Phase Error, Magnitude Error, Power

Evaluation range display

In all displays over time, except for capture buffer displays, the evaluation range is indicated by red lines.

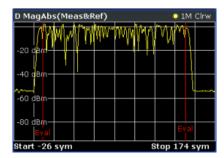
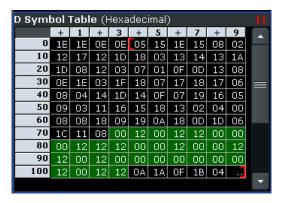
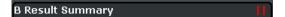


Figure 4-74: Evaluation lines in absolute magnitude diagram

In symbol tables, the evaluated symbols are indicated by red square brackets.



In other result displays that are based on the evaluation range only, two red vertical lines are displayed in the diagram header to indicate a limited evaluation basis.



Display Points vs Estimation Points per Symbol

4.7 Display Points vs Estimation Points per Symbol

Estimation points per symbol

During synchronization, the measurement signal is matched to the reference signal and various signal parameters are calculated, as well as the optional equalizer. You can define how many sample points are used for this calculation at each symbol. Typically, this is one point per symbol (= symbol rate) or a factor of 4 (= sample rate).

Display points per symbol

The number of points per symbol used for calculation can vary from the number of points used to display the results of the calculation. If more points per symbol are selected than the defined sample rate, the additional points are interpolated for the display. The more points are displayed per symbol, the more detailed the trace becomes, as illustrated in Figure 4-75.

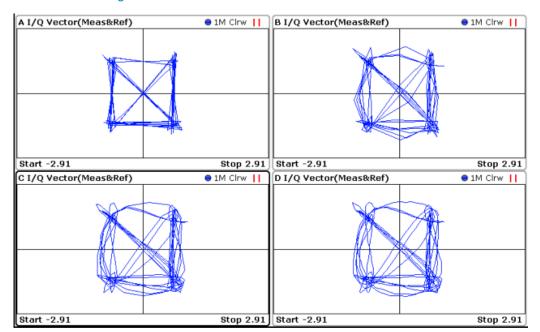


Figure 4-75: Result display with different numbers of points per symbol

window A = 1

window B = 2

window C = 4

window D = 16



The displayed points per symbol also determine how many values are returned when you query the trace data using a remote command (see TRACe < n > [:DATA] on page 464).

For results based on the **capture buffer**, one display point is displayed for each sample taken, i.e. the display points per symbol are always identical to the sample rate.

Capture Buffer Display

For the "Result Summary", the number of display points corresponds to the estimation points per symbol. (By default, 1 for QAM and PSK modulated signals and the sample rate for MSK and FSK modulated signals.) This value also controls which samples are considered for the peak and RMS values and the power result.

For all other result displays, the default number of displayed points per symbol is identical to the sample rate.

4.8 Capture Buffer Display

Up to 200 million symbols can be captured and processed at a time.

If the optional 2 GHz bandwidth extension (R&S FSW-B2000) is active, the capture buffer is restricted to 256,000 samples; thus, all data is included in one single range.

Processing large numbers of samples

If more than 256,000 samples are captured, overlapping capture ranges with a size of 256,000 samples each are created.



The maximum number of *symbols* that can be captured depends on the specified number of samples per symbol. For example, for the default sample rate of 4*symbol rate, the maximum number of symbols to be captured is 50,000,000 (see also Chapter 4.2, "Sample Rate, Symbol Rate and I/Q Bandwidth", on page 68).

Only one capture range at a time can be displayed in the result displays based on the capture buffer (except for the Magnitude Overview Absolute). You can scroll through the different ranges using the Select Result Rng function. When the selected result range moves outside the current capture range, the right edge of the current result range is displayed in the center of the next capture range.

Overview vs. details

While the Magnitude Absolute and other result displays based on the capture buffer (Real/Imag (I/Q), Vector I/Q, Chapter 3.2.11, "Frequency Absolute", on page 32) can only display a single capture range at a time, the Magnitude Overview Absolute displays the entire capture buffer at once. However, the overview trace is restricted to 25,000 points. If necessary, the captured samples are mapped to 25,000 display points using an autopeak detector for display in the Magnitude Overview Absolute diagram. Thus, this result display is not suitable to detect transient effects or analyze individual symbols closely. For these purposes, the Magnitude Absolute result display is suited better, where one display point can be displayed for each sample taken.

Restrictions

Trace modes that calculate results for several sweeps (Average, MinHold, MaxHold) are applied to the individual ranges in the capture buffer diagrams and thus may not provide useful results. For the Magnitude Overview Absolute result display, these trace

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modes are not available at all. Furthermore, only one trace can be configured in the Magnitude Overview Absolute result display.

Remote commands:

Remote commands are provided to determine the first and last values currently displayed in a particular window:

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DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:X[:SCALe]:STARt? on page 462
DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:X[:SCALe]:STOP? on page 462
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And to determine the position of the current result range within the capture buffer:

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[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:MBURst:STARt? on page 464
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4.9 Known Data Files - Dependencies and Restrictions

For various vector signal analysis functions the measured signal is compared to a defined ideal reference signal. The more precise the reference signal, the more precise the results become. In the best case, the possible data sequences within the signal to analyze are known in advance and can be used to compare the measured data to. This is similar to defining a pattern for the entire result range. Thus, a falsely estimated reference signal (due to false symbol decisions) is avoided and does not influence the error calculation.

You can load XML files containing the possible sequences to the R&S FSW VSA application and use them to compare the measured data to. In particular, you can use known data for the following functions:

- Fine synchronization during the demodulation process (see Figure 4-49 and "Fine Synchronization" on page 219)
- Calculation of the Bit Error Rate (BER), see Chapter 3.2.1, "Bit Error Rate (BER)", on page 22

For details on working with Known Data files, see Chapter 8.2.4, "How to Work With Known Data Files", on page 259



Auxiliary tool to create Known Data files

An auxiliary tool to create Known Data files from data that is already available in the R&S FSW VSA application is provided with the R&S FSW free of charge.

See Chapter 8.2.4.2, "How to Create Known Data Files", on page 260.

The syntax for Known Data files is described in Chapter E, "Known Data File Syntax Description", on page 518.

When you use Known Data files as a reference, some dependencies to other settings and restrictions for other functions apply.

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Modulation Order

The "Modulation Order" selected in the "Modulation" settings in the R&S FSW VSA application must correspond to the modulation order value specified in the XML file (<ModulationOrder> element).

Demodulation

Demodulation using synchronization to the Known Data can increase the measurement duration, as each detected symbol must be compared to each possible sequence in the data file.

Result Length

The "Result Length" specified in the "Result Range" dialog box in the R&S FSW VSA application must be identical to the length of the specified symbol sequences in the XML file (<ResultLength> element).

Result Range Alignment

Bursted signals

Due to the uncertainty of the burst search, when you align the result range to a bursted signal, the determined result range might start up to 2 symbols before or after the actual burst. However, an offset of only one symbol means the synchronization process cannot detect any of the predefined symbol sequences in the Known Data file. To avoid this, try one of the following:

- Align the result range to a pattern instead of the burst.
- Use a precise external trigger and align the result range to the capture buffer.
 This requires a very precise trigger timing, otherwise the result range start can be incorrect again.

Continuous signals

For continuous signals without a pattern, the result range is aligned randomly. Thus, a very large number of possible sequences must be predefined. Use a precise external trigger and align the result range to the capture buffer. This requires a very precise trigger timing, otherwise the result range start can be incorrect again.

4.10 VSA in MSRA/MSRT Operating Mode

The R&S FSW VSA application can also be used to analyze data in MSRA and MSRT operating mode. The main difference between the two modes is that in MSRA mode, an I/Q analyzer captures data, while in MSRT mode, a real-time measurement is performed to capture data.

In MSRA/MSRT operating mode, only the MSRA/MSRT Master actually captures data; the MSRA/MSRT applications receive an extract of the captured data for analysis, referred to as the **application data**. For the R&S FSW VSA application in MSRA/MSRT operating mode, the application data range is defined by the same settings used to define the signal capture in Signal and Spectrum Analyzer mode. In addition, a capture

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offset can be defined, i.e. an offset from the start of the captured data to the start of the application data for vector signal analysis. The "Capture Buffer" displays show the application data of the R&S FSW VSA application in MSRA/MSRT mode.

Data coverage for each active application

Generally, if a signal contains multiple data channels for multiple standards, separate applications are used to analyze each data channel. Thus, it is of interest to know which application is analyzing which data channel. The MSRA/MSRT Master display indicates the data covered by each application, restricted to the channel bandwidth used by the corresponding standard, by vertical blue lines labeled with the application name. The R&S FSW VSA application supports several standards, but the standard used by the currently analyzed data is not known. Thus, the "Symbol Rate" defined in the "Signal Description" settings is used to approximate the channel bandwidth.

Analysis interval

However, the individual result displays of the application need not analyze the complete data range. The data range that is actually analyzed by the individual result display is referred to as the **analysis interval**.

In the R&S FSW VSA application, the analysis interval is automatically determined according to the evaluation range or result range settings, as in Signal and Spectrum Analyzer mode. The currently used analysis interval (in seconds, related to capture buffer start) is indicated in the window header for each result display.



Exception: Equalizer

In the "Equalizer", displays do not indicate the analysis interval in MSRA/MSRT mode.

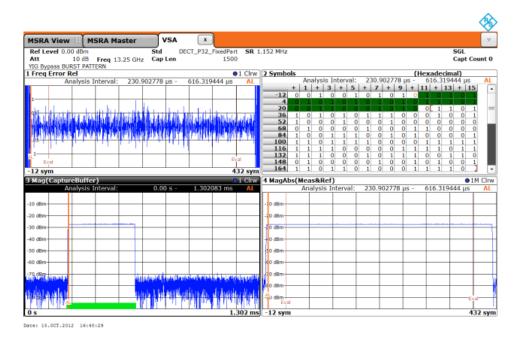
Analysis line

A frequent question when analyzing multi-standard signals is how each data channel is correlated (in time) to others. Thus, an analysis line has been introduced. The analysis line is a common time marker for all MSRA slave applications. It can be positioned in any MSRA slave application or the MSRA Master and is then adjusted in all other slave applications. Thus, you can easily analyze the results at a specific time in the measurement in all slave applications and determine correlations.

If the marked point in time is contained in the analysis interval of the slave application, the line is indicated in all time-based result displays, such as time, symbol, slot or bit diagrams. By default, the analysis line is displayed, however, it can be hidden from view manually. In all result displays, the "AL" label in the window title bar indicates whether the analysis line lies within the analysis interval or not:

- orange "AL": the line lies within the interval
- white "AL": the line lies within the interval, but is not displayed (hidden)
- no "AL": the line lies outside the interval

VSA in MSRA/MSRT Operating Mode



For details on the MSRA operating mode, see the R&S FSW MSRA User Manual. For details on the MSRT operating mode, see the R&S FSW Real-Time Spectrum Application and MSRT Operating Mode User Manual.

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Access: MEAS CONFIG > "Overview"

When you activate a measurement channel for the R&S FSW VSA application, a VSA measurement for the input signal is started automatically with the default configuration. The "VSA" menu is displayed and provides access to the most important configuration functions.



Automatic refresh of preview and visualization in dialog boxes after configuration changes

The R&S FSW supports you in finding the correct measurement settings quickly and easily - after each change in settings in dialog boxes, the preview and visualization areas are updated immediately and automatically to reflect the changes. Thus, you can see if the setting is appropriate or not before accepting the changes.



Importing and Exporting I/Q Data

The I/Q data to be evaluated in VSA can not only be measured by the R&S FSW VSA application itself, it can also be imported to the application, provided it has the correct format. Furthermore, the evaluated I/Q data from the R&S FSW VSA application can be exported for further analysis in external applications.

The import and export functions are available in the "Save/Recall" menu which is displayed when you select the ■ "Save" or □ "Open" icon in the toolbar.

For details on importing and exporting I/Q data see the R&S FSW User Manual.

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5.1 Configuration Overview



Access: "Meas Config" > "Overview"

As explained in Chapter 2.1, "Introduction to Vector Signal Analysis", on page 11, the key task of the vector signal analysis application is to reconstruct the ideal signal. It

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tries to perform this reconstruction based on the knowledge about the DUT that you provide.

Using the R&S FSW VSA application you can perform vector signal analysis measurements using predefined standard setting files, or independently of digital standards using user-defined measurement settings. Such settings can be stored for recurrent use.

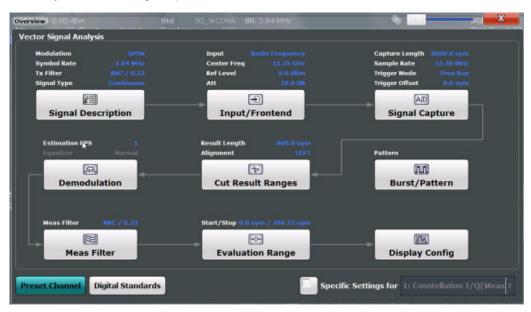
Thus, configuring VSA measurements requires one of the following tasks:

- Selecting an existing standard settings file and, if necessary, adapting the measurement settings to your specific requirements.
- Configuring the measurement settings and, if necessary, storing the settings in a file.

In this case, you must describe your signal manually, that is: specify whether you have a continuous or a bursted signal, the modulation of your signal, the symbol rate, the transmit filter, whether your signal contains a known training sequence (pattern), etc.

"Overview" window

Throughout the measurement channel configuration, an overview of the most important currently defined settings is provided in the "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. Once you have provided the signal description, the remaining settings are preconfigured accordingly. For example, the burst search is deactivated if you specify a continuous signal.

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". When you have covered all steps in the "Overview", you can be sure that you have not missed any important settings.

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

1. Signal Description

This is the most important block for configuring the VSA measurement. Here you describe the structure of your signal, that is: its modulation, its transmit filter, whether the signal is bursted or continuous, etc.. Based on this description, the R&S FSW VSA application configures most remaining blocks automatically. See Chapter 5.3, "Signal Description", on page 151

2. Input and Frontend Settings

Includes major settings for the frontend of the analyzer, such as the center frequency.

See Chapter 5.4, "Input, Output and Frontend Settings", on page 159

3. Signal Capture (including Triggering)

This block specifies how many I/Q data points should be captured. With a higher number, you can cover a larger bandwidth.

See Chapter 5.5, "Signal Capture", on page 188

4. Burst/Pattern Configuration

You can manually enable/disable the burst and pattern search here. However, based on your signal description, this block is automatically configured correctly. So there is usually no need to change the configuration manually.

See Chapter 5.6, "Burst and Pattern Configuration", on page 201

5. Result Range Definition

The result range specifies how many symbols should be analyzed together. For example, if the signal is bursted, the result range usually coincides with the burst length.

See Chapter 5.7, "Result Range Configuration", on page 210

6. Demodulation Settings

Includes advanced settings regarding the demodulation. For example, whether a potential I/Q offset should be compensated for prior to result calculation. See Chapter 5.8, "Demodulation Settings", on page 212

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7. Measurement Filter Settings

The type of measurement filter is specified here and can be enabled or disabled. It limits the measurement signal, the reference signal, and therefore also the error signal in bandwidth. By default, the R&S FSW VSA application selects a suitable measurement filter the transmit filter specified in the signal description.

See Chapter 5.9, "Measurement Filter Settings", on page 220

8. Evaluation Range Definition

The evaluation range is always equal to or smaller than the result range and defines:

 The range over which traces are displayed that do not have a time axis, e.g. polar diagrams

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• The range over which the following parameters are calculated for the result summary: EVM, MER, Phase Error, Magnitude Error, Power.

See Chapter 5.10, "Evaluation Range Configuration", on page 222

9. Display Configuration

Here you select which measurement results should be displayed for vector signal analysis.

The "Display Config" button is only available in the general overview, not in the window-specific overview (see "Specifics for" on page 148).

See Chapter 6.5, "Display and Window Configuration", on page 240

10. Analysis

The "Analysis" button is only available in the window-specific overview, not in the general overview (see "Specifics for" on page 148). Which functions are provided depends on the window type.

See Chapter 6.5, "Display and Window Configuration", on page 240 See Chapter 6, "Analysis", on page 227

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.

For step-by-step instructions on configuring VSA measurements, see Chapter 8, "How to Perform Vector Signal Analysis", on page 250.

Preset Channel

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

Note that the PRESET key restores the entire instrument to its default values and thus closes **all measurement channels** on the R&S FSW (except for the default Spectrum application channel)!

Remote command:

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Specifics for

The measurement 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 "Specifics for" selection list that is displayed in the "Overview" and in all window-specific configuration dialog boxes.

Enable the "Specifics for" option.

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

The indicated data flow is updated for the selected data source.

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If the "Specifics for" option is not enabled, the overview displays the default data flow and the general settings independently of the selected window.

Note: The "Display Config" button is only available in the general overview, not in the window-specific overview.

Digital Standards

Opens a file selection dialog to manage predefined measurement settings for conventional mobile radio standards. See Chapter 5.2, "Configuration According to Digital Standards", on page 149

5.2 Configuration According to Digital Standards

Access: "Meas Config" > "Overview" > "Digital Standards"

Various predefined settings files for common digital standards are provided for use with the VSA application. In addition, you can create your own settings files for user-specific measurements.

For an overview of predefined standards and settings see Chapter B, "Predefined Standards and Settings", on page 506. For detailed instructions see Chapter 8.1, "How to Perform VSA According to Digital Standards", on page 250

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| File Name | 150 |
| Comment | 150 |
| Load Standard | 150 |
| Save Standard | 150 |
| Delete Standard | 150 |
| Restore Standard Files | |

Selecting the Storage Location - Drive/ Path/ Files

Select the storage location of the settings file on the instrument or an external drive.

The "Drive" indicates the internal (C:) or any connected external drives (e.g. a USB storage device).

The "Path" contains the drive and the complete file path to the currently selected folder.

The "Files" list contains all subfolders and files of the currently selected path.

The default storage location for the standards files is:

C:\R S\Instr\user\vsa\Standards.

Note: Saving instrument settings in secure user mode.

In secure user mode, settings that are stored on the instrument are stored to volatile memory, which is restricted to 256 MB. Thus, a "Memory full" error can occur although the hard disk indicates that storage space is still available.

To store data permanently, select an external storage location such as a USB memory device.

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For details, see "Protecting Data Using the Secure User Mode" in the "Data Management" section of the R&S FSW User Manual.

New Folder

Creates a new folder in the file system in which you can save the settings file.

File Name

Contains the name of the data file without the path or extension.

By default, the name of a settings file consists of a base name followed by an underscore. Multiple files with the same base name are extended by three numbers, e.g. limit lines 005.

For details on the file name and location, see the "Data Management" topic in the R&S FSW User Manual.

Note: Saving instrument settings in secure user mode.

In secure user mode, settings that are stored on the instrument are stored to volatile memory, which is restricted to 256 MB. Thus, a "Memory full" error can occur although the hard disk indicates that storage space is still available.

To store data permanently, select an external storage location such as a USB memory device.

For details, see "Protecting Data Using the Secure User Mode" in the "Data Management" section of the R&S FSW User Manual.

Comment

An optional description for the data file. A maximum of 60 characters can be displayed.

Remote command:

[SENSe:] DDEMod:STANdard:COMMent on page 318

Load Standard

Loads the selected measurement settings file.

Note: When you load a standard, the usage of a known data file, if available, is automatically deactivated.

Remote command:

[SENSe:]DDEMod:PRESet[:STANdard] on page 317

Save Standard

Saves the current measurement settings for a specific standard as a file with the defined name.

Remote command:

[SENSe:]DDEMod:STANdard:SAVE on page 318

Delete Standard

Deletes the selected standard. Standards predefined by Rohde & Schwarz can also be deleted. A confirmation query is displayed to avoid unintentional deletion of the standard.

Note: Restoring predefined standard files. The standards predefined by Rohde & Schwarz available at the time of delivery can be restored using the "Restore Standards" function (see "Restore Standard Files" on page 151).

Signal Description

Remote command:

[SENSe:]DDEMod:STANdard:DELete on page 318

Restore Standard Files

Restores the standards predefined by Rohde & Schwarz available at the time of delivery.

Note that this function will overwrite customized standards that have the same name as predefined standards.

Remote command:

[SENSe:]DDEMod:FACTory[:VALue] on page 317

5.3 Signal Description

Access: "Overview" > "Signal Description"

or: MEAS CONFIG > "Signal Description"

The signal description provides information on the expected input signal, which optimizes burst and pattern detection and allows for the application to calculate an ideal reference signal. The signal description consists of information on the used modulation and on the signal's structure.

| • | Modulation | 151 |
|---|------------------|-----|
| • | Signal Structure | 155 |
| • | Known Data | 158 |

5.3.1 Modulation

Access: "Overview" > "Signal Description" > "Modulation"

or: MEAS CONFIG > "Signal Description" > "Modulation"

The "Modulation" settings contain modulation and transmit filter settings. A live preview of the Constellation I/Q trace using the currently defined settings is displayed at the bottom of the dialog box to visualize the changes to the settings. The preview area is not editable directly.

The modulation settings vary depending on the selected modulation type; in particular, FSK modulation provides some additional settings.

Signal Description

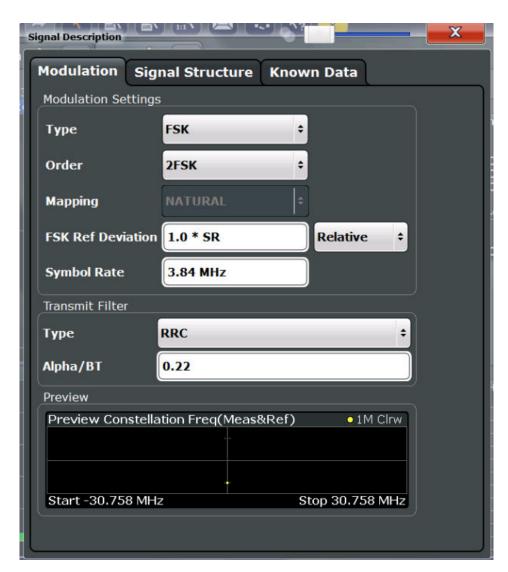


Figure 5-1: Signal modulation settings for FSK modulation

| Modulation Type | 152 |
|------------------------------|-----|
| L Load User Modulation | |
| Modulation Order | |
| FSK Ref Deviation (FSK only) | 154 |
| Modulation Mapping | 154 |
| Symbol Rate | 154 |
| Transmit Filter Type | |
| L Load User Filter | |
| Alpha/BT | 155 |

Modulation Type

Defines the modulation type of the vector signal. The following types are available:

- PSK
- MSK
- QAM

Signal Description

- FSK
- ASK
- APSK
- User Modulation

Uses the selected user-defined modulation loaded from a file.

For more information on these modulation types see Chapter 4.3, "Symbol Mapping", on page 80.

Remote command:

[SENSe:]DDEMod:FORMat on page 321

Load User Modulation ← Modulation Type

This function is only available if the modulation type "User Modulation" is selected.

Opens a file selection dialog box to select the file that contains the user-defined modulation (*.vam file).

For details on user-defined modulation files see Chapter 4.3.12, "User-defined Modulation", on page 102.

Remote command:

```
SENS:DDEM:FORM UQAM (see [SENSe:]DDEMod:FORMat on page 321) [SENSe:]DDEMod:USER:NAME on page 328
```

Modulation Order

Depending on the Modulation Type, various orders of modulation are available:

| Туре | Available orders | | |
|------|--------------------|-------------|------------|
| PSK | BPSK | 3Pi/4-QPSK | Pi/8-D8PSK |
| | QPSK | 8PSK | DQPSK |
| | Offset QPSK | 3Pi/8-8PSK | Pi/4-DQPSK |
| | Shaped Offset QPSK | D8PSK | Pi/4-QPSK |
| | Pi/2-BPSK | Pi/2-DBPSK | |
| MSK | MSK | DMSK | |
| QAM | 16QAM | -Pi/4-32QAM | 256QAM |
| | Pi/4-16QAM | 64QAM | 512QAM |
| | 32QAM | 128QAM | 1024QAM |
| | 2048QAM | 4096QAM | |
| FSK | 2FSK | 4FSK | 8FSK |
| | 16 FSK | | |
| ASK | 2ASK | 4ASK | |
| APSK | 16APSK | 32APSK | |

Remote command:

PSK:

[SENSe:]DDEMod:PSK:FORMat on page 324

Signal Description

```
[SENSe:]DDEMod:PSK:NSTate on page 324
[SENSe:]DDEMod:QPSK:FORMat on page 325

MSK: [SENSe:]DDEMod:MSK:FORMat on page 323

QAM:
[SENSe:]DDEMod:QAM:FORMat on page 324
[SENSe:]DDEMod:QAM:NSTate on page 325

FSK: [SENSe:]DDEMod:FSK:NSTate on page 322

ASK:[SENSe:]DDEMod:ASK:NSTate on page 321

APSK:[SENSe:]DDEMod:APSK:NSTate on page 320
```

FSK Ref Deviation (FSK only)

The FSK Reference Deviation sets the deviation to the reference frequency.

In case of 2FSK, it indicates the distance from the reference frequency to the positive / negative deviation frequency and in case of 4FSK, the distance to the outer positive/ negative deviation frequency.

To set the deviation as a multiple of the symbol rate (x*SR), select "Relative" mode. To set the deviation as an absolute value in Hz, select "Absolute" mode.

Note that this parameter is available only for FSK modulated signals.

Remote command:

```
CALCulate<n>:FSK:DEViation:REFerence[:VALue] on page 320 CALCulate<n>:FSK:DEViation:REFerence:RELative on page 320
```

Modulation Mapping

The available mapping types depend on the Modulation Type and Modulation Order.

For more information on the modulation mapping, refer to Chapter 4.3, "Symbol Mapping", on page 80

Remote command:

```
[SENSe:]DDEMod:MAPPing[:VALue] on page 323 [SENSe:]DDEMod:MAPPing:CATalog? on page 323
```

Symbol Rate

The symbol rate also determines the I/Q bandwidth of the data recording and demodulation. You can change the default rate by entering a value in Hz.

The minimum symbol rate is 25 Hz. The maximum symbol rate depends on the defined Sample Rate (see Chapter 4.2, "Sample Rate, Symbol Rate and I/Q Bandwidth", on page 68).

Remote command:

```
[SENSe:] DDEMod:SRATe on page 326
```

Transmit Filter Type

Defines the type of transmit filter

An overview of available transmit filters is provided in Chapter C.1, "Transmit Filters", on page 513.

For more information on transmit filters see Chapter 4.1.3, "Modulation and Demodulation Filters", on page 63.

Signal Description

Remote command:

```
[SENSe:] DDEMod:TFILter:NAME on page 327
To define the name of the transmit filter to be used.
[SENSe:] DDEMod:TFILter[:STATe] on page 327
To switch off the transmit filter.
[SENSe:] DDEMod:TFILter:USER on page 328
```

To select a user-defined filter.

Load User Filter ← **Transmit Filter Type**

Opens a file-selection dialog box to select the user-defined transmit filter to be used.

Note: If a user-defined transmit filter is selected and the measurement filter is defined automatically (see "Using the Transmit Filter as a Measurement Filter (Auto)" on page 221), a Low-ISI measurement filter according to the selected user filter is calculated and used.

For details see Chapter 4.1.5, "Customized Filters", on page 66.

For detailed instructions on working with user-defined filters see Chapter 8.2.2, "How to Select User-Defined Filters", on page 254.

Remote command:

```
[SENSe:]DDEMod:TFILter:USER on page 328 [SENSe:]DDEMod:TFILter:NAME on page 327
```

Alpha/BT

Defines the roll-off factor (Alpha) or the filter bandwidth (BT).

The roll-off factor and filter bandwidth for transmit filter is available for RC, RRC, Gauss and GMSK filter.

Remote command:

```
[SENSe:]DDEMod:TFILter:ALPHa on page 327
```

5.3.2 Signal Structure

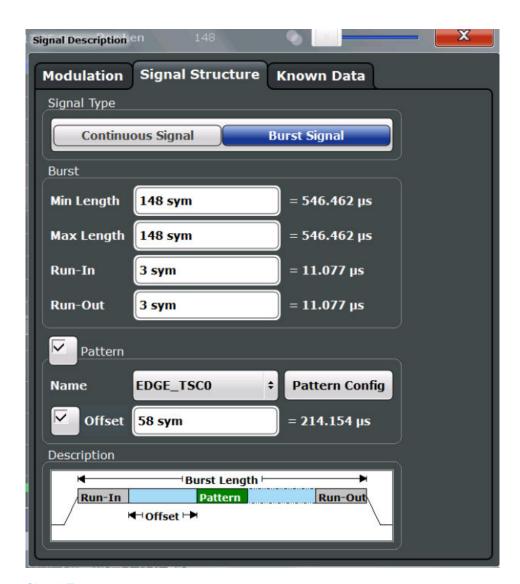
```
Access: "Overview" > "Signal Description" > "Signal Structure"
```

or: MEAS CONFIG > "Signal Description" > "Signal Structure"

The "Signal Structure" settings describe the expected input signal and determine which settings are available for configuration. You can define a pattern to which the instrument can be synchronized, thus adapting the result range.

A visualization of the currently defined signal structure is displayed at the bottom of the dialog box.

Signal Description



| Signal Type | 156 |
|---------------------------|-----|
| Burst Settings | 156 |
| L Min Length / Max Length | 157 |
| L Run-In | |
| L Run-Out | 157 |
| Pattern Settings | 157 |
| L Name | |
| L Pattern Configuration | |
| L Offset | |
| | |

Signal Type

Determines whether the signal is continuous or contains bursts.

Remote command:

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SIGNal[:VALue] on page 330

Burst Settings

For bursts, further settings are available.

Signal Description

Min Length / Max Length ← Burst Settings

Shortest and longest expected burst length in symbols (≦32000). The symbols are converted to seconds for reference.

Remote command:

```
[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:BURSt:LENGth:MAXimum on page 328 [SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:BURSt:LENGth[:MINimum] on page 329
```

Run-In ← Burst Settings

The number of symbols before the signal is assumed to have valid modulated symbols.

The symbols are converted to seconds for reference.

Remote command:

```
[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:BURSt:SKIP:RISing on page 329
```

Run-Out ← Burst Settings

The number of symbols before the falling edge that do not necessarily need to have a valid modulation.

The symbols are converted to seconds for reference.

Remote command:

```
[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:BURSt:SKIP:FALLing on page 329
```

Pattern Settings

If the signal is expected to have a specific pattern, enable the "Pattern" option to define the pattern settings.

Note: The pattern search itself must be enabled separately in the "Pattern Search Settings", see "Enabling Pattern Searches" on page 204. By default, the pattern search is active if the signal description contains a pattern.

Name ← Pattern Settings

Specifies the pattern name from the list of defined patterns. You can also configure new patterns, see Chapter 5.6.3, "Pattern Configuration", on page 205.

Remote command:

```
[SENSe:]DDEMod:SIGNal:PATTern on page 330
```

Pattern Configuration ← Pattern Settings

Displays the "Pattern Configuration" dialog box (see Chapter 5.6.3, "Pattern Configuration", on page 205).

Offset ← Pattern Settings

The offset of the pattern is defined with respect to the start of the useful part of the burst (see "Useful length" on page 137). If the position of the pattern within the burst is known, it is recommended that you define the offset. That will accelerate the pattern search and enhance the accuracy of the burst search.

Remote command:

```
[SENSe:]DDEMod:STANdard:SYNC:OFFSet:STATe on page 330 [SENSe:]DDEMod:STANdard:SYNC:OFFSet[:VALue] on page 331
```

Signal Description

5.3.3 Known Data

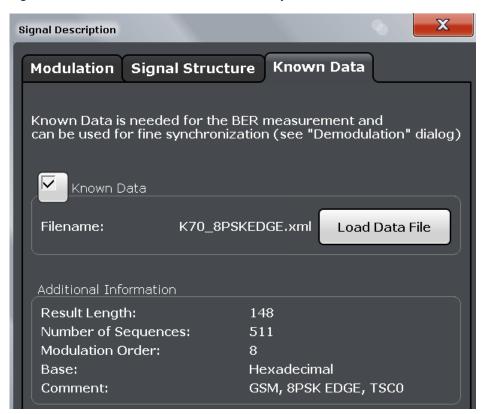
Access: "Overview" > "Signal Description" > "Known Data"

or: MEAS CONFIG > "Signal Description" > "Known Data"

The "Known Data" settings allow you to load a file that describes the possible data sequences in the input signal.

(See Chapter 8.2.4, "How to Work With Known Data Files", on page 259).

Additional information provided by the loaded file is displayed at the bottom of the dialog box. This information is not editable directly.





Auxiliary tool to create Known Data files

An auxiliary tool to create Known Data files from data that is already available in the VSA application is provided on the instrument free of charge.

See "To create a Known Data file using the recording tool for sequences" on page 260.

| Known Data | 15 | ,e |
|----------------|----|----|
| Load Data File | 15 | Ç |

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Known Data

Activates or deactivates the use of the loaded data file (if available). When deactivated, the additional information from the previously loaded data file is removed. Any references to the known data in the "Demodulation" dialog box are replaced by the default parameter values (see Chapter 5.8.2, "Advanced Demodulation (Synchronization)", on page 216).

Note: When a standard is loaded, the use of a Known Data file is automatically deactivated.

Remote command:

[SENSe:] DDEMod:KDATa:STATe on page 401

Load Data File

If Known Data is activated, this function displays a file selection dialog box to select the xml file that contains the known data. Once a file has been selected, any additional information provided by the file is displayed at the bottom of the dialog box.

Remote command:

[SENSe:]DDEMod:KDATa[:NAME] on page 402

5.4 Input, Output and Frontend Settings

Access: "Overview" > "Input/Frontend"

or: INPUT/OUTPUT

The R&S FSW can evaluate signals from different input sources.

The frequency and amplitude settings represent the "frontend" of the measurement setup.

| • | Input Settings | . 159 |
|---|---|-------|
| | Output Settings | |
| | Digital I/Q Output Settings | |
| | Frequency Settings | |
| | Amplitude and Vertical Axis Configuration | |

5.4.1 Input Settings

Access: "Overview" > "Input/Frontend" > "Input"

or: INPUT/OUTPUT

Some settings are also available in the "Amplitude" tab of the "Amplitude" dialog box.



The "DigiConf" softkey is described in Chapter 5.4.1.3, "Digital I/Q Input Settings", on page 162.

Input, Output and Frontend Settings

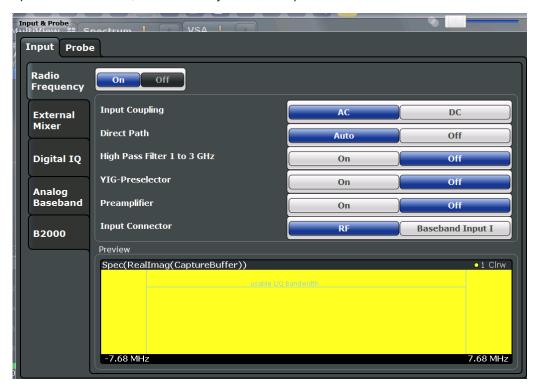
| Radio Frequency Input | 160 |
|--------------------------------|-----|
| External Mixer Settings | |
| Digital I/Q Input Settings | |
| Analog Baseband Input Settings | |
| Probe Settings | |
| | |

5.4.1.1 Radio Frequency Input

Access: "Overview" > "Input/Frontend" > "Input" > "Radio Frequency"

or: INPUT/OUTPUT > "Input Source Config" > "Input" > "Radio Frequency"

The default input source for the R&S FSW is the radio frequency. If no additional options are installed, this is the only available input source.



| Radio Frequency State | 160 |
|-------------------------|-----|
| Input Coupling | 161 |
| Direct Path | 161 |
| High-Pass Filter 13 GHz | 161 |
| YIG-Preselector | 161 |
| Preamplifier | 162 |

Radio Frequency State

Activates input from the RF INPUT connector.

Remote command:

INPut:SELect on page 333

Input, Output and Frontend Settings

Input Coupling

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

This function is not available for input from the optional Digital Baseband Interface or from the optional Analog Baseband Interface.

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 distorted.

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: COUPling on page 332

Direct Path

Enables or disables the use of the direct path for small frequencies.

In spectrum analyzers, passive analog mixers are used for the first conversion of the input signal. In such mixers, the LO signal is coupled into the IF path due to its limited isolation. The coupled LO signal becomes visible at the RF frequency 0 Hz. This effect is referred to as LO feedthrough.

To avoid the LO feedthrough the spectrum analyzer provides an alternative signal path to the A/D converter, referred to as the *direct path*. By default, the direct path is selected automatically for RF frequencies close to zero. However, this behavior can be deactivated. If "Direct Path" is set to "Off", the spectrum analyzer always uses the analog mixer path.

"Auto" (Default) The direct path is used automatically for frequencies close

to zero.

"Off" The analog mixer path is always used.

Remote command:

INPut: DPATh on page 332

High-Pass Filter 1...3 GHz

Activates an additional internal high-pass filter for RF input signals from 1 GHz to 3 GHz. This filter is used to remove the harmonics of the analyzer to measure the harmonics for a DUT, for example.

This function requires an additional hardware option.

(Note: for RF input signals outside the specified range, the high-pass filter has no effect. For signals with a frequency of approximately 4 GHz upwards, the harmonics are suppressed sufficiently by the YIG-preselector, if available.)

Remote command:

INPut:FILTer:HPASs[:STATe] on page 333

YIG-Preselector

Activates or deactivates the YIG-preselector, if available on the R&S FSW.

Input, Output and Frontend Settings

An internal YIG-preselector at the input of the R&S FSW 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 deactivate the YIG-preselector at the input of the R&S FSW, 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.

Note:

For the following measurements, the YIG-Preselector is off by default (if available).

- I/Q Analyzer (and thus in all slave applications in MSRA operating mode)
- Real-Time (and thus in all slave applications in MSRT operating mode)
- Multi-Carrier Group Delay
- GSM
- VSA

Remote command:

INPut:FILTer:YIG[:STATe] on page 333

Preamplifier

If the (optional) Preamplifier hardware is installed, a preamplifier can be activated for the RF input signal.

You can use a preamplifier to analyze signals from DUTs with low output power.

This function is not available for input from the (optional) Digital Baseband Interface.

For R&S FSW26 or higher models, the input signal is amplified by 30 dB if the preamplifier is activated.

For R&S FSW8 or 13 models, the following settings are available:

"Off" Deactivates the preamplifier.

"15 dB" The RF input signal is amplified by about 15 dB.
"30 dB" The RF input signal is amplified by about 30 dB.

Remote command:

INPut:GAIN:STATe on page 367
INPut:GAIN[:VALue] on page 367

5.4.1.2 External Mixer Settings

Access: "Overview" > "Input/Frontend" > "Input" > "External Mixer"

or: INPUT/OUTPUT > "External Mixer Config"

Note that external mixers are not supported in MSRA/MSRT mode.

Automatic signal identification is not available in the R&S FSW VSA application.

For details on using external mixers see the R&S FSW User Manual.

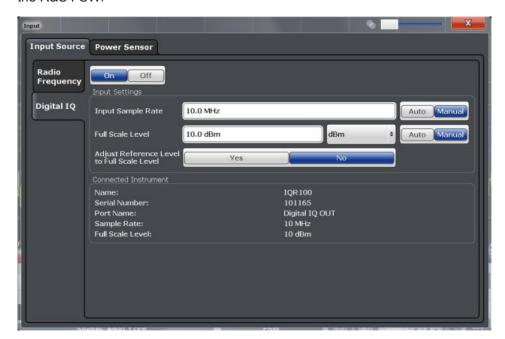
5.4.1.3 Digital I/Q Input Settings

Access: INPUT/OUTPUT > "Input Source Config" > "Digital I/Q" tab

Input, Output and Frontend Settings

The following settings and functions are available to provide input via the optional Digital Baseband Interface in the applications that support it.

These settings are only available if the Digital Baseband Interface option is installed on the R&S FSW.



For more information, see the R&S FSW I/Q Analyzer and I/Q Input User Manual.

| Digital I/Q Input State | 163 |
|--|-----|
| Input Sample Rate | |
| Full Scale Level | 164 |
| Adjust Reference Level to Full Scale Level | 164 |
| Connected Instrument | 164 |
| DiglConf | 164 |

Digital I/Q Input State

Enables or disable the use of the "Digital IQ" input source for measurements.

"Digital IQ" is only available if the optional Digital Baseband Interface is installed.

Remote command:

INPut:SELect on page 333

Input Sample Rate

Defines the sample rate of the digital I/Q signal source. This sample rate must correspond with the sample rate provided by the connected device, e.g. a generator.

If "Auto" is selected, the sample rate is adjusted automatically by the connected device.

The allowed range is from 100 Hz to 10 GHz.

Remote command:

INPut:DIQ:SRATe on page 348
INPut:DIQ:SRATe:AUTO on page 349

Input, Output and Frontend Settings

Full Scale Level

The "Full Scale Level" defines the level and unit that should correspond to an I/Q sample with the magnitude "1".

If "Auto" is selected, the level is automatically set to the value provided by the connected device.

Remote command:

```
INPut:DIQ:RANGe[:UPPer] on page 348
INPut:DIQ:RANGe[:UPPer]:UNIT on page 348
INPut:DIQ:RANGe[:UPPer]:AUTO on page 347
```

Adjust Reference Level to Full Scale Level

If enabled, the reference level is adjusted to the full scale level automatically if any change occurs.

Remote command:

```
INPut:DIQ:RANGe:COUPling on page 348
```

Connected Instrument

Displays the status of the Digital Baseband Interface connection.

If an instrument is connected, the following information is displayed:

- Name and serial number of the instrument connected to the Digital Baseband Interface
- Used port
- Sample rate of the data currently being transferred via the Digital Baseband Interface
- Level and unit that corresponds to an I/Q sample with the magnitude "1" (Full Scale Level), if provided by connected instrument

Remote command:

```
INPut:DIQ:CDEVice on page 346
```

DiglConf

Starts the optional R&S DiglConf application. This function is available in the In-/Output menu, but only if the optional software is installed.

Note that R&S DiglConf requires a USB connection (not LAN!) from the R&S FSW to the R&S EX-IQ-BOX in addition to the Digital Baseband Interface connection. R&S DiglConf version 2.20.360.86 Build 170 or higher is required.

To return to the R&S FSW application, press any key. The R&S FSW application is displayed with the "Input/Output" menu, regardless of which key was pressed.

For details on the R&S DiglConf application, see the "R&S®EX-IQ-BOX Digital Interface Module R&S®DiglConf Software Operating Manual".

Note: If you close the R&S DiglConf window using the "Close" icon, the window is minimized, not closed.

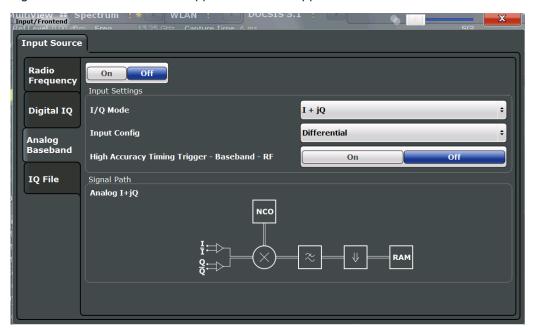
If you select the "File > Exit" menu item in the R&S DiglConf window, the application is closed. Note that in this case the settings are lost and the EX-IQ-BOX functionality is no longer available until you restart the application using the "DiglConf" softkey in the R&S FSW once again.

Input, Output and Frontend Settings

5.4.1.4 Analog Baseband Input Settings

Access: INPUT/OUTPUT > "Input Source Config" > "Analog Baseband" tab

The following settings and functions are available to provide input via the optional Analog Baseband Interface in the applications that support it.



For more information on the optional Analog Baseband Interface, see the R&S FSW I/Q Analyzer and I/Q Input User Manual.

| Analog Baseband Input State | 165 |
|--|-----|
| /Q Mode | 165 |
| nput Configuration | 166 |
| High Accuracy Timing Trigger - Baseband - RF | |
| Center Frequency | |

Analog Baseband Input State

Enables or disable the use of the "Analog Baseband" input source for measurements. "Analog Baseband" is only available if the optional Analog Baseband Interface is installed.

Remote command:

INPut: SELect on page 333

I/Q Mode

Defines the format of the input signal.

For more information on I/Q data processing modes, see the R&S FSW I/Q Analyzer and I/Q Input User Manual.

"I + jQ"

The input signal is filtered and resampled to the sample rate of the application.

Two inputs are required for a complex signal, one for the in-phase component, and one for the quadrature component.

Input, Output and Frontend Settings

"I Only / Low IF I"

The input signal at the BASEBAND INPUT I connector is filtered and resampled to the sample rate of the application.

If the center frequency is set to 0 Hz, the real baseband signal is displayed without down-conversion (**Real Baseband I**).

If a center frequency greater than 0 Hz is set, the input signal is down-converted with the center frequency (**Low IF I**).

"Q Only / Low IF Q"

The input signal at the BASEBAND INPUT Q connector is filtered and resampled to the sample rate of the application.

If the center frequency is set to 0 Hz, the real baseband signal is displayed without down-conversion (**Real Baseband Q**).

If a center frequency greater than 0 Hz is set, the input signal is down-converted with the center frequency (**Low IF Q**).

Remote command:

INPut: IQ: TYPE on page 352

Input Configuration

Defines whether the input is provided as a differential signal via all four Analog Baseband connectors or as a plain I/Q signal via two simple-ended lines.

Note: Both single-ended and differential probes are supported as input; however, since only one connector is occupied by a probe, the "Single-ended" setting must be used for all probes.

"Single Ended" I, Q data only

"Differential" I, Q and inverse I,Q data

(Not available for R&S FSW85)

Remote command:

INPut:IQ:BALanced[:STATe] on page 351

High Accuracy Timing Trigger - Baseband - RF

Activates a mode with enhanced timing accuracy between analog baseband, RF and external trigger signals.

Note: Prerequisites for previous models of R&S FSW.

For R&S FSW models with a serial number lower than 103000, special prerequisites and restrictions apply for high accuracy timing:

- To obtain this high timing precision, trigger port 1 and port 2 must be connected via the Cable for High Accuracy Timing (order number 1325.3777.00).
- As trigger port 1 and port 2 are connected via the cable, only trigger port 3 can be used to trigger a measurement.
- Trigger port 2 is configured as output if the high accuracy timing option is active.
 Make sure not to activate this option if you use trigger port 2 in your measurement setup.
- When you first enable this setting, you are prompted to connect the cable for high accuracy timing to trigger ports 1 and 2. If you cancel this prompt, the setting remains disabled. As soon as you confirm this prompt, the cable must be in place the firmware does not check the connection. (In remote operation, the setting is activated without a prompt.)

Input, Output and Frontend Settings

For more information, see the R&S FSW I/Q Analyzer and I/Q Input User Manual.

Remote command:

CALibration:AIQ:HATiming[:STATe] on page 352

Center Frequency

Defines the center frequency for analog baseband input.

For real-type baseband input (I or Q only), the center frequency is always 0 Hz.

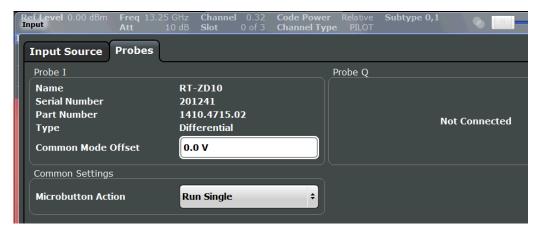
Note: If the analysis bandwidth to either side of the defined center frequency exceeds the minimum frequency (0 Hz) or the maximum frequency (40 MHz/80 MHz), an error is displayed. In this case, adjust the center frequency or the analysis bandwidth.

Remote command:

[SENSe:] FREQuency: CENTer on page 364

5.4.1.5 Probe Settings

Probes are configured in a separate tab on the "Input" dialog box which is displayed when you select the INPUT/OUTPUT key and then "Input Source Config".



For each possible probe connector (Baseband Input I, Baseband Input Q), the detected type of probe, if any, is displayed. The following information is provided for each connected probe:

- Probe name
- Serial number
- R&S part number
- Type of probe ("Differential", "Single Ended")

For more information on using probes with an R&S FSW, see the R&S FSW User Manual.

For general information on the R&S®RTO probes, see the device manuals.

| Common Mode Offset | 168 |
|--------------------|-----|
| Microbutton Action | 168 |

Input, Output and Frontend Settings

Common Mode Offset

Sets the common mode offset. The setting is only available if a differential probe is connected to the R&S FSW.

If the probe is disconnected, the common mode offset of the probe is reset to 0.0 V.

Remote command:

[SENSe:]PROBe:SETup:CMOFfset on page 353

Microbutton Action

Active R&S probes (except for RT-ZS10E) have a configurable microbutton on the probe head. By pressing this button, you can perform an action on the instrument directly from the probe.

Select the action that you want to start from the probe:

"Run single" Starts one data acquisition.

"No action" Prevents unwanted actions due to unintended usage of the microbut-

ton.

Remote command:

[SENSe:]PROBe:SETup:MODE on page 354

5.4.1.6 Settings for 2 GHz Bandwidth Extension (R&S FSW-B2000)

Access: INPUT/OUTPUT > "B2000 Config"

The R&S FSW VSA application supports the optional 2 GHz bandwidth extension (R&S FSW-B2000), if installed.

For details on prerequisites and restrictions, see the R&S FSW I/Q Analyzer and I/Q Input User Manual.

The following settings are available for the optional 2 GHz bandwidth extension (R&S FSW-B2000).

| • | General Settings | 168 |
|---|------------------|-----|
| • | Alignment | 170 |

General Settings

Access: INPUT/OUTPUT > "B2000 Config" > "Settings"

Input, Output and Frontend Settings



The required connections between the R&S FSW and the oscilloscope are illustrated in the dialog box.

For details, see the R&S FSW I/Q Analyzer and I/Q Input User Manual.

B2000 State

Activates the optional 2 GHz bandwidth extension (R&S FSW-B2000).

Note: Manual operation on the connected oscilloscope, or remote operation other than by the R&S FSW, is not possible while the B2000 option is active.

When the B2000 option is activated, the basic IF OUT 2 GHZ output is automatically deactivated. It is not reactivated when the B2000 option is switched off.

Remote command:

SYSTem: COMMunicate: RDEVice: OSCilloscope [:STATe] on page 357

TCPIP Address or Computer name

When using the optional 2 GHz bandwidth extension (R&S FSW-B2000), the entire measurement via the IF OUT 2 GHZ connector and an oscilloscope, as well as both instruments, are controlled by the R&S FSW. Thus, the instruments must be connected via LAN, and the TCPIP address or computer name of the oscilloscope must be defined on the R&S FSW.

For tips on how to determine the computer name or TCPIP address, see the R&S FSW I/Q Analyzer and I/Q Input User Manual or the oscilloscope's user documentation.

By default, the TCPIP address is expected. To enter the computer name, toggle the "123"/"ABC" button to "ABC".

As soon as a name or address is entered, the R&S FSW attempts to establish a connection to the oscilloscope. If it is detected, the oscilloscope's identity string is queried and displayed in the dialog box. The alignment status is also displayed (see "Alignment" on page 170).

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Note: The IP address / computer name is maintained after a PRESET, and is transferred between applications.

Remote command:

SYSTem:COMMunicate:RDEVice:OSCilloscope:TCPip on page 359 SYSTem:COMMunicate:RDEVice:OSCilloscope:IDN? on page 358

Alignment

Access: INPUT/OUTPUT > "B2000 Config" > "Alignment"

An initial alignment of the output to the oscilloscope is required once after setup. It need only be repeated if a new oscilloscope is connected to the IF OUT 2 GHZ connector of the R&S FSW, or if new firmware is installed on the oscilloscope.



The required connections between the R&S FSW and the oscilloscope are illustrated in the dialog box.

For details, see the R&S FSW I/Q Analyzer and I/Q Input User Manual.

Alignment consists of two steps. The first step requires a (temporary) connection from the REF OUTPUT 640 MHZ connector on the R&S FSW to the CH1 input on the oscilloscope.

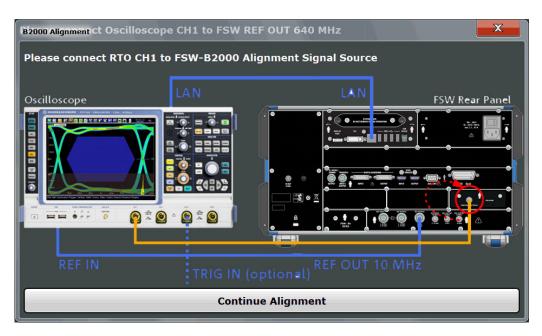
To perform the alignment, select the "Alignment" button.



If necessary, in particular after the firmware on the oscilloscope has been updated, a self-alignment is performed on the oscilloscope before the actual B2000 alignment starts. This may take a few minutes.

If the oscilloscope and the oscilloscope ADC are aligned successfully, a new dialog box is displayed.

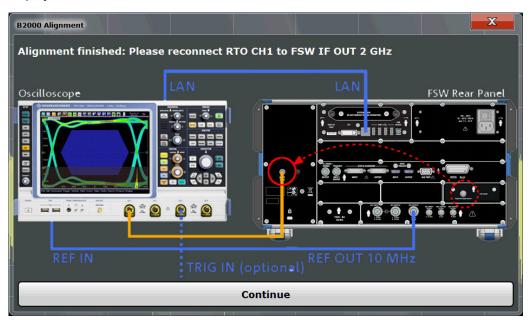
Input, Output and Frontend Settings



For the second alignment step, the connector must be disconnected from the REF OUTPUT 640 MHZ connector and instead connected to the FSW B2000 ALIGNMENT SIGNAL SOURCE connector on the R&S FSW.

To continue the alignment, select the "Continue Alignment" button.

After the second alignment step has been completed successfully, a new dialog box is displayed.



In order to switch from alignment mode to measurement mode, move the cable from the FSW B2000 ALIGNMENT SIGNAL SOURCE back to the IF OUT 2 GHZ connector, so that it is then connected to the CH1 input on the oscilloscope.

If UNCAL is displayed, alignment was not yet performed (successfully).

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If both alignment steps were performed successfully, the date of alignment is indicated.

For a description of possible errors, see the R&S FSW I/Q Analyzer and I/Q Input User Manual.

Remote commands:

SYSTem:COMMunicate:RDEVice:OSCilloscope:ALIGnment:STEP[:STATe]?
on page 357

SYSTem:COMMunicate:RDEVice:OSCilloscope:ALIGnment:DATE?
on page 358

5.4.2 Output Settings

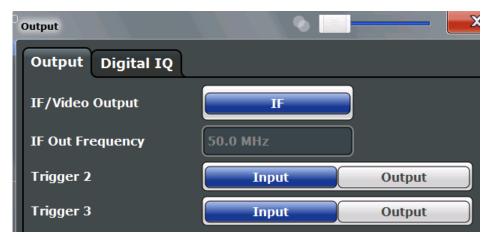
Access: "Overview" > "Input/Frontend" > "Output"

or: INPUT/OUTPUT > "OUTPUT Config"

The R&S FSW VSA application can provide output to special connectors for other devices.

For details on connectors refer to the R&S FSW Getting Started manual, "Front / Rear Panel View" chapters.

Output settings can be configured via the INPUT/OUTPUT key or in the "Outputs" dialog box.





IF/Video Output

Defines the type of signal available at the IF/VIDEO/DEMOD on the rear panel of the R&S FSW.

Input, Output and Frontend Settings

For restrictions and additional information, see the R&S FSW I/Q Analyzer and I/Q Input User Manual.

"IF" The measured IF value is available at the IF/VIDEO/DEMOD output

connector.

"IF 2 GHz Out" The measured IF value is provided at the IF OUT 2 GHZ output con-

nector, if available, at a frequency of 2 GHz.

If the optional 2 GHz bandwidth extension (R&S FSW-B2000) option is installed and active, this is the *only* option available for IF output. When the B2000 option is activated, the basic IF OUT 2 GHZ output is automatically deactivated. It is not reactivated when the B2000

option is switched off.

For details, see the R&S FSW I/Q Analyzer and I/Q Input User Man-

ual.

"VIDEO" The displayed video signal (i.e. the filtered and detected IF signal) is

available at the IF/VIDEO/DEMOD output connector.

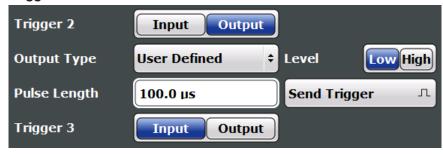
This setting is required to provide demodulated audio frequencies at

the output.

Remote command:

OUTPut: IF[:SOURce] on page 360

Trigger 2/3



Defines the usage of the variable TRIGGER INPUT/OUTPUT connectors, where:

"Trigger 2": TRIGGER INPUT/OUTPUT connector on the front panel

"Trigger 3": TRIGGER 3 INPUT/ OUTPUT connector on the rear panel

(Trigger 1 is INPUT only.)

Note: Providing trigger signals as output is described in detail in the R&S FSW User Manual.

"Input" The signal at the connector is used as an external trigger source by

the R&S FSW. Trigger input parameters are available in the "Trigger"

dialog box.

"Output" The R&S FSW sends a trigger signal to the output connector to be

used by connected devices.

Further trigger parameters are available for the connector.

Remote command:

OUTPut: TRIGger < port >: DIRection on page 361

Input, Output and Frontend Settings

Output Type ← Trigger 2/3

Type of signal to be sent to the output

"Device Trig- (Default) Sends a trigger when the R&S FSW triggers.

gered"

"Trigger Sends a (high level) trigger when the R&S FSW is in "Ready for trig-

Armed" ger" state.

This state is indicated by a status bit in the STATus: OPERation register (bit 5), as well as by a low-level signal at the AUX port (pin 9).

"User Defined" Sends a trigger when you select the "Send Trigger" button.

In this case, further parameters are available for the output signal.

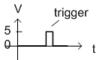
Remote command:

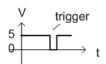
OUTPut:TRIGger<port>:OTYPe on page 362

Level ← Output Type ← Trigger 2/3

Defines whether a high (1) or low (0) constant signal is sent to the trigger output connector.

The trigger pulse level is always opposite to the constant signal level defined here. For example, for "Level = High", a constant high signal is output to the connector until you select the Send Trigger function. Then, a low pulse is provided.





low-level constant, high-level trigger

high-level constant, low-level trigger

Remote command:

OUTPut:TRIGger<port>:LEVel on page 362

Pulse Length ← Output Type ← Trigger 2/3

Defines the duration of the pulse (pulse width) sent as a trigger to the output connector.

Remote command:

OUTPut:TRIGger<port>:PULSe:LENGth on page 363

Send Trigger ← Output Type ← Trigger 2/3

Sends a user-defined trigger to the output connector immediately.

Note that the trigger pulse level is always opposite to the constant signal level defined by the output Level setting. For example, for "Level = High", a constant high signal is output to the connector until you select the "Send Trigger" function. Then, a low pulse is sent.

Which pulse level will be sent is indicated by a graphic on the button.

Remote command:

OUTPut:TRIGger<port>:PULSe:IMMediate on page 363

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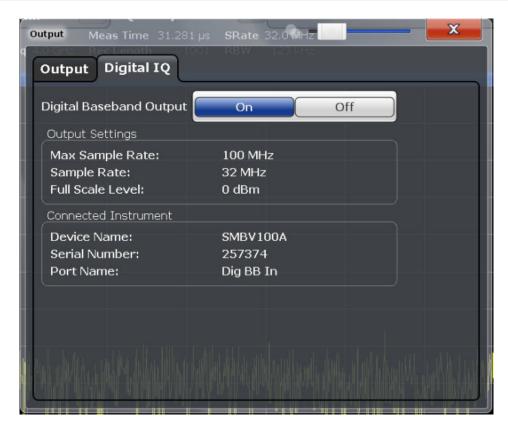
Access: "Overview" > "Output" > "Digital I/Q" tab

The optional Digital Baseband Interface allows you to output I/Q data from any R&S FSW application that processes I/Q data to an external device.

These settings are only available if the Digital Baseband Interface option is installed on the R&S FSW.



Digital I/Q output is available with bandwidth extension option R&S FSW-B500/ -B512, but not with R&S FSW-B512R (Real-Time).



For details on digital I/Q output, see the R&S FSW I/Q Analyzer User Manual.

| Digital Baseband Output | . 175 |
|------------------------------|-------|
| Output Settings Information. | 176 |
| Connected Instrument | .176 |

Digital Baseband Output

Enables or disables a digital output stream to the optional Digital Baseband Interface, if available.

Note: If digital baseband output is active, the sample rate is restricted to 200 MHz (max. 160 MHz bandwidth).

The only data source that can be used for digital baseband output is RF input.

Input, Output and Frontend Settings

For details on digital I/Q output, see the R&S FSW I/Q Analyzer User Manual.

Remote command:

OUTPut: DIQ on page 349

Output Settings Information

Displays information on the settings for output via the optional Digital Baseband Interface.

The following information is displayed:

- Maximum sample rate that can be used to transfer data via the Digital Baseband Interface (i.e. the maximum input sample rate that can be processed by the connected instrument)
- Sample rate currently used to transfer data via the Digital Baseband Interface
- Level and unit that corresponds to an I/Q sample with the magnitude "1" (Full Scale Level)

Remote command:

OUTPut:DIQ:CDEVice? on page 349

Connected Instrument

Displays information on the instrument connected to the optional Digital Baseband Interface, if available.

If an instrument is connected, the following information is displayed:

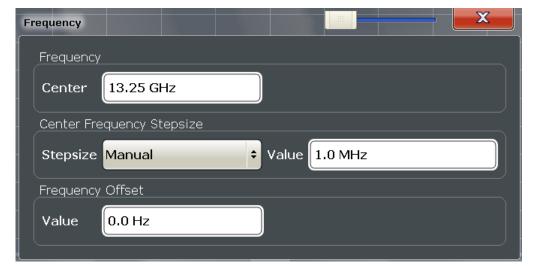
- Name and serial number of the instrument connected to the Digital Baseband Interface
- Used port

Remote command:

OUTPut:DIQ:CDEVice? on page 349

5.4.4 Frequency Settings

Access: FREQ > "Frequency Config"



Input, Output and Frontend Settings

| Center frequency | 177 |
|---------------------------|-----|
| Center Frequency Stepsize | 177 |
| Frequency Offset | 177 |

Center frequency

Defines the center frequency of the signal in Hertz.

The allowed range of values for the center frequency depends on the frequency span.

```
span > 0: span_{min}/2 \le f_{center} \le f_{max} - span_{min}/2
```

f_{max} and span_{min} depend on the instrument and are specified in the data sheet.

Remote command:

```
[SENSe:] FREQuency: CENTer on page 364
```

Center Frequency Stepsize

Defines the step size of the center frequency. The step size can be set to a predefined value, or it can be manually set to a user-defined value.

"Auto" The step size is set to the default value:

using the rotary knob: 100 kHzusing the arrow keys: 1 MHz

"Manual"

Defines a user-defined step size for the center frequency. Enter the step size in the "Value" field.

Remote command:

```
[SENSe:] FREQuency:CENTer:STEP:AUTO on page 364 [SENSe:] FREQuency:CENTer:STEP on page 364
```

Frequency Offset

Shifts the displayed frequency range along the x-axis by the defined offset.

This parameter has no effect on the instrument's hardware, or on the captured data or on data processing. It is simply a manipulation of the final results in which absolute frequency values are displayed. Thus, the x-axis of a spectrum display is shifted by a constant offset if it shows absolute frequencies, but not if it shows frequencies relative to the signal's center frequency.

A frequency offset can be used to correct the display of a signal that is slightly distorted by the measurement setup, for example.

The allowed values range from -100 GHz to 100 GHz. The default setting is 0 Hz.

Note: In MSRA/MSRT mode, this function is only available for the MSRA/MSRT Master.

Remote command:

```
[SENSe:] FREQuency:OFFSet on page 365
```

5.4.5 Amplitude and Vertical Axis Configuration

Access: AMPT > "Amplitude Config"

Input, Output and Frontend Settings

Amplitude and scaling settings allow you to configure the vertical (y-)axis display and for some result displays also the horizontal (x-)axis.

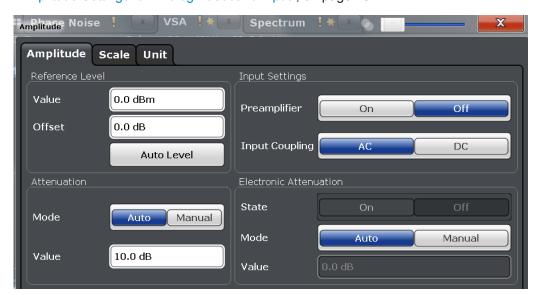
| • | Amplitude Settings | 178 |
|---|--|-----|
| • | Amplitude Settings for Analog Baseband Input | 181 |
| • | Scaling | 184 |
| • | Units | 187 |

5.4.5.1 Amplitude Settings

Access: AMPT > "Amplitude Config"

Amplitude settings affect the signal power or error levels.

The amplitude settings for Analog Baseband input are described in Chapter 5.4.5.2, "Amplitude Settings for Analog Baseband Input", on page 181.





Note that amplitude settings are not window-specific, as opposed to the scaling and unit settings.

Input, Output and Frontend Settings

Reference Level

Defines the expected maximum input signal level. Signal levels above this value may not be measured correctly, which is indicated by the "IF OVLD" status display ("OVLD" for analog baseband or digital baseband input).

The reference level can also be used to scale power diagrams; the reference level is then used as the maximum on the y-axis.

Since the hardware of the R&S FSW is adapted according to this value, it is recommended that you set the reference level close above the expected maximum signal level. Thus you ensure an optimum measurement (no compression, good signal-to-noise ratio).

Note that for input from the External Mixer (R&S FSW-B21) the maximum reference level also depends on the conversion loss; see the R&S FSW User Manual for details.

Remote command:

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:RLEVel on page 366

Shifting the Display (Offset) ← Reference Level

Defines an arithmetic level offset. This offset is added to the measured level. In some result displays, the scaling of the y-axis is changed accordingly.

Define an offset if the signal is attenuated or amplified before it is fed into the R&S FSW so the application shows correct power results. All displayed power level results are shifted by this value.

The setting range is ±200 dB in 0.01 dB steps.

Note, however, that the *internal* reference level (used to adjust the hardware settings to the expected signal) ignores any "Reference Level Offset". Thus, it is important to keep in mind the actual power level the R&S FSW must handle. Do not rely on the displayed reference level (internal reference level = displayed reference level - offset).

Remote command:

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:RLEVel:OFFSet on page 366

Setting the Reference Level Automatically (Auto Level) ← Reference Level

Automatically determines a reference level which ensures that no overload occurs at the R&S FSW for the current input data. At the same time, the internal attenuators and the preamplifier (for analog baseband input: the full scale level) are adjusted so the signal-to-noise ratio is optimized, while signal compression and clipping are minimized.

To determine the required reference level, a level measurement is performed on the R&S FSW.

If necessary, you can optimize the reference level further. Decrease the attenuation level manually to the lowest possible value before an overload occurs, then decrease the reference level in the same way.

When using the optional 2 GHz bandwidth extension (R&S FSW-B2000), the level measurement is performed on the connected oscilloscope. Y-axis scaling on the oscilloscope is limited to a minimum of 5mV per division.

You can change the measurement time for the level measurement if necessary (see "Changing the Automatic Measurement Time (Meastime Manual)" on page 225).

Remote command:

[SENSe:] ADJust:LEVel on page 410

Input, Output and Frontend Settings

Input Settings

Some input settings affect the measured amplitude of the signal, as well.

For information on other input settings see Chapter 5.4.1, "Input Settings", on page 159.

Preamplifier ← Input Settings

If the (optional) Preamplifier hardware is installed, a preamplifier can be activated for the RF input signal.

You can use a preamplifier to analyze signals from DUTs with low output power.

This function is not available for input from the (optional) Digital Baseband Interface.

For R&S FSW26 or higher models, the input signal is amplified by 30 dB if the preamplifier is activated.

For R&S FSW8 or 13 models, the following settings are available:

"Off" Deactivates the preamplifier.

"15 dB" The RF input signal is amplified by about 15 dB.
"30 dB" The RF input signal is amplified by about 30 dB.

Remote command:

```
INPut:GAIN:STATe on page 367
INPut:GAIN[:VALue] on page 367
```

Input Coupling ← Input Settings

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

This function is not available for input from the optional Digital Baseband Interface or from the optional Analog Baseband Interface.

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 distorted.

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: COUPling on page 332

RF Attenuation

Defines the mechanical attenuation for RF input.

This function is not available for input from the optional R&S Digital Baseband Interface.

Attenuation Mode / Value ← RF Attenuation

The RF attenuation can be set automatically as a function of the selected reference level (Auto mode). This ensures that no overload occurs at the RF INPUT connector for the current reference level. It is the default setting.

By default and when no (optional) electronic attenuation is available, mechanical attenuation is applied.

Input, Output and Frontend Settings

This function is not available for input from the optional Digital Baseband Interface.

In "Manual" mode, you can set the RF attenuation in 1 dB steps (down to 0 dB). Other entries are rounded to the next integer value. The range is specified in the data sheet. If the defined reference level cannot be set for the defined RF attenuation, the reference level is adjusted accordingly and the warning "Limit reached" is displayed.

NOTICE! Risk of hardware damage due to high power levels. When decreasing the attenuation manually, ensure that the power level does not exceed the maximum level allowed at the RF input, as an overload may lead to hardware damage.

Remote command:

```
INPut:ATTenuation on page 367
INPut:ATTenuation:AUTO on page 368
```

Using Electronic Attenuation

If the (optional) Electronic Attenuation hardware is installed on the R&S FSW, you can also activate an electronic attenuator.

In "Auto" mode, the settings are defined automatically; in "Manual" mode, you can define the mechanical and electronic attenuation separately.

This function is not available for input from the optional Digital Baseband Interface.

Note: Electronic attenuation is not available for stop frequencies (or center frequencies in zero span) > 13.6 GHz.

In "Auto" mode, RF attenuation is provided by the electronic attenuator as much as possible to reduce the amount of mechanical switching required. Mechanical attenuation may provide a better signal-to-noise ratio, however.

When you switch off electronic attenuation, the RF attenuation is automatically set to the same mode (auto/manual) as the electronic attenuation was set to. Thus, the RF attenuation can be set to automatic mode, and the full attenuation is provided by the mechanical attenuator, if possible.

Both the electronic and the mechanical attenuation can be varied in 1 dB steps. Other entries are rounded to the next lower integer value.

For the R&S FSW85, the mechanical attenuation can be varied only in 10 dB steps.

If the defined reference level cannot be set for the given attenuation, the reference level is adjusted accordingly and the warning "Limit reached" is displayed in the status bar

Remote command:

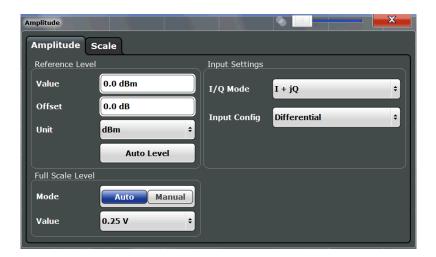
```
INPut: EATT: STATe on page 369
INPut: EATT: AUTO on page 369
INPut: EATT on page 368
```

5.4.5.2 Amplitude Settings for Analog Baseband Input

```
Access: "Overview" > "Amplitude"
```

The following settings and functions are available to define amplitude settings for input via the optional Analog Baseband Interface in the applications that support it.

Input, Output and Frontend Settings





The input settings provided here are identical to those in the "Input Source" > "Analog Baseband" tab, see Chapter 5.4.1.4, "Analog Baseband Input Settings", on page 165.

For more information on the optional Analog Baseband Interface, see the R&S FSW I/Q Analyzer and I/Q Input User Manual.

| Reference Level | 182 |
|--|-----|
| L Shifting the Display (Offset) | 182 |
| L Setting the Reference Level Automatically (Auto Level) | |
| Full Scale Level Mode / Value | 183 |

Reference Level

Defines the expected maximum input signal level. Signal levels above this value may not be measured correctly, which is indicated by the "IF OVLD" status display ("OVLD" for analog baseband or digital baseband input).

The reference level can also be used to scale power diagrams; the reference level is then used as the maximum on the y-axis.

Since the hardware of the R&S FSW is adapted according to this value, it is recommended that you set the reference level close above the expected maximum signal level. Thus you ensure an optimum measurement (no compression, good signal-to-noise ratio).

Note that for input from the External Mixer (R&S FSW-B21) the maximum reference level also depends on the conversion loss; see the R&S FSW User Manual for details.

Remote command:

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:RLEVel on page 366

Shifting the Display (Offset) ← Reference Level

Defines an arithmetic level offset. This offset is added to the measured level. In some result displays, the scaling of the y-axis is changed accordingly.

Define an offset if the signal is attenuated or amplified before it is fed into the R&S FSW so the application shows correct power results. All displayed power level results are shifted by this value.

Input, Output and Frontend Settings

The setting range is ±200 dB in 0.01 dB steps.

Note, however, that the *internal* reference level (used to adjust the hardware settings to the expected signal) ignores any "Reference Level Offset". Thus, it is important to keep in mind the actual power level the R&S FSW must handle. Do not rely on the displayed reference level (internal reference level = displayed reference level - offset).

Remote command:

```
DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:RLEVel:OFFSet on page 366
```

Setting the Reference Level Automatically (Auto Level) ← Reference Level

Automatically determines a reference level which ensures that no overload occurs at the R&S FSW for the current input data. At the same time, the internal attenuators and the preamplifier (for analog baseband input: the full scale level) are adjusted so the signal-to-noise ratio is optimized, while signal compression and clipping are minimized.

To determine the required reference level, a level measurement is performed on the R&S FSW.

If necessary, you can optimize the reference level further. Decrease the attenuation level manually to the lowest possible value before an overload occurs, then decrease the reference level in the same way.

When using the optional 2 GHz bandwidth extension (R&S FSW-B2000), the level measurement is performed on the connected oscilloscope. Y-axis scaling on the oscilloscope is limited to a minimum of 5mV per division.

You can change the measurement time for the level measurement if necessary (see "Changing the Automatic Measurement Time (Meastime Manual)" on page 225).

Remote command:

```
[SENSe:]ADJust:LEVel on page 410
```

Full Scale Level Mode / Value

The full scale level defines the maximum power you can input at the Baseband Input connector without clipping the signal.

The full scale level can be defined automatically according to the reference level, or manually.

For manual input, the following values can be selected:

- 0.25 V
- 0.5 V
- 1 V
- 2 V

If probes are connected, the possible full scale values are adapted according to the probe's attenuation and maximum allowed power.

For details on probes, see the R&S FSW I/Q Analyzer and I/Q Input User Manual.

Remote command:

```
INPut:IQ:FULLscale:AUTO on page 351
INPut:IQ:FULLscale[:LEVel] on page 351
```

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5.4.5.3 Scaling

Access: AMPT > "Scale Config"

Depending on the type of display (time, spectrum or statistics), various scaling functions are available to adapt the result display to the current data.



Note that scaling settings are window-specific, as opposed to the amplitude settings.

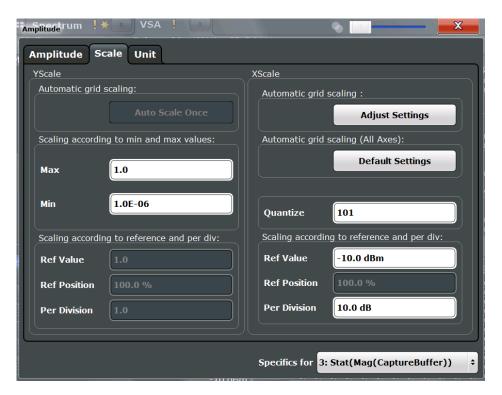


Figure 5-2: Scaling settings for statistical evaluation

For details on the different methods to configure the scaling see Chapter 8.3.1, "How to Change the Display Scaling", on page 263.

A visualization of the diagram scaling with the current settings is displayed at the right side of the dialog box.

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      L Default Settings.
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      L Quantize.
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```

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| L > | K-Axis Reference Value | 186 |
|-----|---------------------------|-----|
| L > | K-Axis Reference Position | 186 |
| LF | Range per Division | 187 |

Auto Scale Once/Auto Scale Window

If enabled, both the x-axis and y-axis are automatically adapted to the current measurement results (only once, not dynamically) in the selected window.

To adapt the range of all screens together, use the Auto Scale All function.

Remote command:

```
For statistics (result type transformation): CALCulate<n>:STATistics:SCALe: AUTO ONCE on page 370
```

For all other results: DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:AUTO ONCE on page 408

Defining Min and Max Values

Indicates the current range borders according to the current settings (for information only).

For statistical evaluations only: defines the displayed range using minimum and maximum values.

Values in the range 1e⁻⁹ < value < 0.1 are allowed. The y-axis unit is defined via the "Y-Axis Unit" on page 188 setting. The distance between max and min value must be at least one decade.

Remote command:

```
CALCulate<n>:STATistics:SCALe:Y:UPPer on page 371
CALCulate<n>:STATistics:SCALe:Y:LOWer on page 371
```

Configuring a Reference Point and Divisions

Defines the displayed range using a reference point and the size of the divisions.

For details on the different methods to configure the scaling see Chapter 8.3.1, "How to Change the Display Scaling", on page 263.

Y-Axis Reference Value ← Configuring a Reference Point and Divisions

Defines a reference value on the y-axis in the current unit. The y-axis is adapted so that the reference value is displayed at the "Y-Axis Reference Position" on page 185.

For details on the different methods to configure the scaling see Chapter 8.3.1, "How to Change the Display Scaling", on page 263.

Remote command:

```
DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:RVALue on page 375
```

$\textbf{Y-Axis Reference Position} \leftarrow \textbf{Configuring a Reference Point and Divisions}$

Defines the position of the Y-Axis Reference Value on the y-axis. The position is defined as a percentage value, where 0 % refers to the bottom edge, 100 % refers to the top edge of the screen. The y-axis is adapted so that the reference value is displayed at the reference position.

For details on the different methods to configure the scaling see Chapter 8.3.1, "How to Change the Display Scaling", on page 263.

Input, Output and Frontend Settings

Remote command:

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:RPOSition on page 374

Range per Division ← Configuring a Reference Point and Divisions

Defines the value range to be displayed per division. Since the display consists of 10 divisions by default, the displayed range is:

Range = 10 * <Range per Division>

Note: If fewer divisions are displayed (e.g. because the window is reduced in height), the range per division is increased in order to display the same result range in the smaller window. In this case, the per division value does not correspond to the actual display.

Remote command:

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:PDIVision on page 374

X-Axis Scaling

For statistics, a histogram is displayed. For these diagrams, the x-axis can be configured, as well.

Adjust Settings ← X-Axis Scaling

Adjusts the x-axis scaling to the occurring statistical values.

Remote command:

CALCulate<n>:STATistics:SCALe:AUTO ONCE on page 370

Default Settings ← X-Axis Scaling

Resets the x- and y-axis scalings to their preset values for the current measurement window.

Remote command:

CALCulate<n>:STATistics:PRESet on page 370

Quantize ← X-Axis Scaling

Defines the number of bars to be displayed in the graph, i.e. the granularity of classifications.

Remote command:

CALCulate<n>:STATistics:SCALe:X:BCOunt on page 371

X-Axis Reference Value ← X-Axis Scaling

Defines a reference value on the x-axis in the current unit.

Remote command:

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:X[:SCALe]:RVALue on page 373

X-Axis Reference Position ← X-Axis Scaling

Defines the position of the X-Axis Reference Value on the x-axis. The position is defined as a percentage value, where 0 % refers to the beginning (left side), 100 % refers to the end (right side) of the diagram. The x-axis is adapted so that the reference value is displayed at the reference position.

Remote command:

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:X[:SCALe]:RPOSition on page 373

Input, Output and Frontend Settings

Range per Division ← X-Axis Scaling

Defines the value range to be displayed per division on the x-axis. Since the display consists of 10 divisions by default, the displayed range is:

Range = 10 * <Range per Division>

Note: If fewer divisions are displayed (e.g. because the window is reduced in width), the range per division is increased in order to display the same result range in the smaller window. In this case, the per division value does not correspond to the actual display.

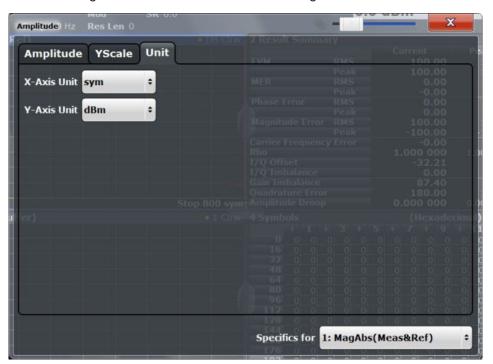
Remote command:

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:X[:SCALe]:PDIVision on page 373

5.4.5.4 Units

Access: AMPT > "Unit Config"

You can configure the units for both axes of the diagrams.





Note that unit settings are window-specific, as opposed to the amplitude settings.

| X-Axis Unit | 187 |
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X-Axis Unit

Defines the unit of the x-axis in the current result diagram.

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Remote command:

CALCulate<n>:X:UNIT:TIME on page 372

Y-Axis Unit

Defines the unit of the y-axis in the current result diagram.

Remote command:

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y:SPACing on page 375
For phase diagrams: CALCulate<n>:UNIT:ANGLe on page 372

For statistics: CALCulate<n>:STATistics:SCALe:Y:UNIT on page 372

For equalizer group delay diagrams: CALCulate<n>:Y:UNIT:TIME on page 372

5.5 Signal Capture

Access: "Overview" > "Signal Capture"

or: MEAS CONFIG > "Signal Capture"

The "Signal Capture" settings define how much, how and when data is captured from the input signal.

| • | Data Acquisition | 188 |
|---|------------------|-----|
| • | Trigger Settings | 191 |
| • | Sweep Settings | 198 |

5.5.1 Data Acquisition

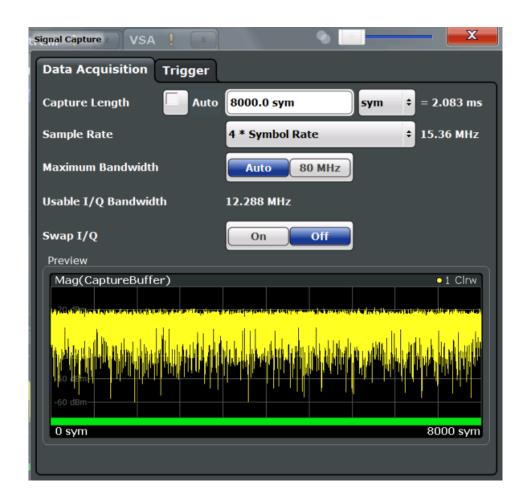
Access: "Overview" > "Signal Capture" > "Data Acquisition"

or: MEAS CONFIG > "Signal Capture"

The "Data Acquisition" settings define how much and how data is captured from the input signal.

A live preview of the signal in the capture buffer with the current settings is displayed in the preview area at the bottom of the dialog box. The preview area is not editable directly.

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MSRA/MSRT operating mode

In MSRA/MSRT operating mode, only the MSRA/MSRT Master channel actually captures data from the input signal. The data acquisition settings for the VSA application in MSRA/MSRT mode define the **application data extract** and **analysis interval**.

For details on the MSRA operating mode see the R&S FSW MSRA User Manual. For details on the MSRT operating mode see the R&S FSW Real-Time Spectrum Application and MSRT Operating Mode User Manual.

| Capture Length Settings | 189 |
|-------------------------|-----|
| Sample Rate | 190 |
| Maximum Bandwidth | 190 |
| Usable I/Q Bandwidth | 191 |
| Swap I/Q | 191 |

Capture Length Settings

The capture length defines how many symbols are captured during each measurement.

Enable the "Auto" option to define the capture length automatically according to the burst and pattern length settings and the statistics count. Thus, a minimal capture length is used, which improves performance.

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If the capture length is not defined automatically, enter the number of symbols or seconds to be captured and select the used unit. The defined number is converted to the alternative unit (seconds/symbols) for reference.

Up to 64000 symbols can be captured and processed during each measurement.

Remote command:

```
[SENSe:]DDEMod:RLENgth:AUTO on page 376
[SENSe:]DDEMod:RLENgth[:VALue] on page 377
```

Sample Rate

Defines the number of samples to capture per symbol. The sample rate in MHz is indicated for reference. This parameter affects the demodulation bandwidth and thus the usable I/Q bandwidth.

The maximum sample rate depends on the defined Symbol Rate (see Chapter 4.2, "Sample Rate, Symbol Rate and I/Q Bandwidth", on page 68).

For details on selecting the suitable sample rate, see Chapter 4.2, "Sample Rate, Symbol Rate and I/Q Bandwidth", on page 68.

Remote command:

```
[SENSe:]DDEMod:PRATe on page 376
```

Maximum Bandwidth

Defines the maximum bandwidth to be used by the R&S FSW for I/Q data acquisition. This setting is only available if a bandwidth extension option greater than 160 MHz is installed on the R&S FSW. Otherwise the maximum bandwidth is determined automatically.

Note: This setting is not available for the optional 2 GHz bandwidth extension (R&S FSW-B2000).

For details on the maximum bandwidth see Chapter 4.2.1, "Sample Rate and Maximum Usable I/Q Bandwidth for RF Input", on page 69.

| 'Auto" | (Default) All installed bandwidth extension options are activated. The | 2 |
|--------|--|-----------|
| Auto | (Detault) All installed pandwidth extension options are activated activated activates and activated activates and activates are activated activates and activates activated activates and activates are activated activates and activates activated activates and activates activated activated activated activated activated activates activated activate | ated. The |

currently available maximum bandwidth is allowed (see Chapter 4.2.1, "Sample Rate and Maximum Usable I/Q Bandwidth for RF

Input", on page 69).

Note that using bandwidth extension options greater than 160 MHz

may cause more spurious effects.

(See "Restricting the maximum bandwidth manually" on page 74)

"80 MHz" Restricts the analysis bandwidth to a maximum of 80 MHz.

The bandwidth extension options greater than 160 MHz are deactiva-

ted.

"160 MHz" Restricts the analysis bandwidth to a maximum of 160 MHz. The

bandwidth extension option for 320 MHz is deactivated.

(Not available or required if bandwidth extension option for 500 MHz/

512 MHz is installed.)

Remote command:

```
TRACe:IQ:WBANd[:STATe] on page 378
TRACe:IQ:WBANd:MBWIDTH on page 378
```

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Usable I/Q Bandwidth

Shows the usable I/Q bandwidth which depends on the selected sample rate. For details see Chapter 4.2, "Sample Rate, Symbol Rate and I/Q Bandwidth", on page 68.

This information is provided for reference only.

Note:

In diagrams in the frequency domain (Spectrum transformation, see "Result Type Transformation" on page 242) the usable I/Q bandwidth is indicated by vertical blue lines.

Remote command:

TRACe<n>:IQ:BWIDth? on page 377

Swap I/Q

Activates or deactivates the inverted I/Q modulation. If the I and Q parts of the signal from the DUT are interchanged, the R&S FSW can do the same to compensate for it.

| On | I and Q signals are interchanged Inverted sideband, Q+j*I |
|-----|---|
| Off | I and Q signals are not interchanged |
| | Normal sideband, I+j*Q |

Remote command:

[SENSe:] SWAPiq on page 377

5.5.2 Trigger Settings

Access: "Overview" > "Signal Capture" > "Trigger"

or: TRIG > "Trigger Config"

The trigger settings define the beginning of a measurement.

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Trigger output is described in Chapter 5.4.2, "Output Settings", on page 172.

For step-by-step instructions on configuring triggered measurements, see the R&S FSW User Manual.

Signal Capture



MSRA/MSRT operating mode

In MSRA/MSRT operating mode, only the MSRA/MSRT Master channel actually captures data from the input signal. Thus, no trigger settings are available in the R&S FSW VSA application in MSRA/MSRT operating mode. However, a **capture offset** can be defined with a similar effect as a trigger offset. It defines an offset from the start of the captured data (from the MSRA/MSRT Master) to the start of the application data for vector signal analysis. (See Capture Offset.)

For details on the MSRA operating mode, see the R&S FSW MSRA User Manual.

For details on the MSRT operating mode, see the R&S FSW Real-Time Spectrum Application and MSRT Operating Mode User Manual.

| Trigger Source | |
|--------------------------|-----|
| L Free Run | 193 |
| L External Trigger 1/2/3 | 193 |
| L External CH3 | 194 |
| L IF Power | 194 |
| L Baseband Power | 195 |
| L I/Q Power | 195 |
| L Digital I/Q | 195 |
| Trigger Level | 196 |
| Trigger Offset | |
| Hysteresis | 197 |
| Drop-Out Time. | 197 |
| Coupling | 197 |
| Slope | 197 |
| Trigger Holdoff | 198 |
| Capture Offset. | |

Trigger Source

Defines the trigger source. If a trigger source other than "Free Run" is set, "TRG" is displayed in the channel bar and the trigger source is indicated.

Remote command:

TRIGger[:SEQuence]:SOURce on page 383

Free Run ← Trigger Source

No trigger source is considered. Data acquisition is started manually or automatically and continues until stopped explicitly.

Remote command:

TRIG: SOUR IMM, see TRIGger[:SEQuence]: SOURce on page 383

External Trigger 1/2/3 ← Trigger Source

Data acquisition starts when the TTL signal fed into the specified input connector meets or exceeds the specified trigger level.

(See "Trigger Level" on page 196).

Note: The "External Trigger 1" softkey automatically selects the trigger signal from the TRIGGER 1 INPUT connector on the front panel.

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If the optional 2 GHz bandwidth extension (R&S FSW-B2000) is active, only External CH3 is supported.

For details, see the "Instrument Tour" chapter in the R&S FSW Getting Started manual.

"External Trigger 1"

Trigger signal from the TRIGGER 1 INPUT connector.

"External Trigger 2"

Trigger signal from the TRIGGER 2 INPUT / OUTPUT connector.

"External Trigger 3"

Trigger signal from the TRIGGER 3 INPUT/ OUTPUT connector on the rear panel.

Note: in VSA, trigger output is not supported, thus the connector is always configured for input.

Remote command:

TRIG:SOUR EXT, TRIG:SOUR EXT2

TRIG:SOUR EXT3

See TRIGger[:SEQuence]:SOURce on page 383

External CH3 ← Trigger Source

Data acquisition starts when the signal fed into the CH3 input connector on the oscilloscope meets or exceeds the specified trigger level.

Note: In previous firmware versions, the external trigger was connected to the CH2 input on the oscilloscope. As of firmware version R&S FSW 2.30, the **CH3** input on the oscilloscope must be used!

This signal source is only available if the optional 2 GHz bandwidth extension (R&S FSW-B2000) is active (see Chapter 5.4.1.6, "Settings for 2 GHz Bandwidth Extension (R&S FSW-B2000)", on page 168).

For details, see the R&S FSW I/Q Analyzer and I/Q Input User Manual.

Note: Since the external trigger uses a second channel on the oscilloscope, the maximum memory size, and thus record length, available for the input channel 1 is reduced by half. For details, see the oscilloscope's data sheet and documentation.

Remote command:

TRIG:SOUR EXT, see TRIGger[:SEQuence]:SOURce on page 383

IF Power ← **Trigger Source**

The R&S FSW starts capturing data as soon as the trigger level is exceeded around the third intermediate frequency.

For frequency sweeps, the third IF represents the start frequency. The trigger bandwidth at the third IF depends on the RBW and sweep type.

For measurements on a fixed frequency (e.g. zero span or I/Q measurements), the third IF represents the center frequency.

This trigger source is only available for RF input.

It is not available for input from the optional Digital Baseband Interface or the optional Analog Baseband Interface.

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The available trigger levels depend on the RF attenuation and preamplification. A reference level offset, if defined, is also considered.

When using the optional 2 GHz bandwidth extension (R&S FSW-B2000) with an IF power trigger, the IF power trigger corresponds to a "width" trigger on the oscilloscope, with a negative polarity and the range "longer". Thus, data acquisition starts when both of the following conditions apply to the signal fed into the CH1 input connector on the oscilloscope:

- The power level has remained below the specified trigger level for a duration longer than the drop-out time.
- The power level then rises above the specified trigger level.

For details, see "Basics on the 2 GHz Bandwidth Extension" in the R&S FSW I/Q Analyzer and I/Q Input User Manual.

For details on available trigger levels and trigger bandwidths, see the data sheet.

Remote command:

TRIG: SOUR IFP, see TRIGger[:SEQuence]: SOURce on page 383

Baseband Power ← Trigger Source

Defines triggering on the baseband power (for baseband input via the optional Digital Baseband Interface or the optional Analog Baseband interface).

For more information on the Digital Baseband Interface or the Analog Baseband Interface, see the R&S FSW I/Q Analyzer and I/Q Input User Manual.

Remote command:

TRIG: SOUR BBP, see TRIGger[:SEQuence]: SOURce on page 383

I/Q Power ← Trigger Source

This trigger source is not available if the optional Digital Baseband Interface or optional Analog Baseband Interface is used for input. It is also not available for analysis bandwidths ≥ 160 MHz.

Triggers the measurement when the magnitude of the sampled I/Q data exceeds the trigger threshold.

The trigger bandwidth corresponds to the "Usable I/Q Bandwidth" setting for data acquisition (see "Usable I/Q Bandwidth" on page 191).

Remote command:

TRIG:SOUR IQP, see TRIGger[:SEQuence]:SOURce on page 383

Digital I/Q ← Trigger Source

For applications that process I/Q data, such as the I/Q Analyzer or optional applications, and only if the optional Digital Baseband Interface is available:

Defines triggering of the measurement directly via the LVDS connector. In the selection list you must specify which general purpose bit (GP0 to GP5) will provide the trigger data.

Note:

If the Digital I/Q enhanced mode is used, i.e. the connected device supports transfer rates up to 200 Msps, only the general purpose bits GP0 and GP1 are available as a Digital I/Q trigger source.

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The following table describes the assignment of the general purpose bits to the LVDS connector pins.

(For details on the LVDS connector, see the R&S FSW I/Q Analyzer User Manual.)

Table 5-1: Assignment of general purpose bits to LVDS connector pins

| Bit | LVDS pin |
|---|---------------------|
| GP0 | SDATA4_P - Trigger1 |
| GP1 | SDATA4_P - Trigger2 |
| GP2 *) | SDATA0_P - Reserve1 |
| GP3 *) | SDATA4_P - Reserve2 |
| GP4 *) | SDATA0_P - Marker1 |
| GP5 *) | SDATA4_P - Marker2 |
| *): not available for Digital I/Q enhanced mode | |

Remote command:

TRIG:SOUR GP0, see TRIGger[:SEQuence]:SOURce on page 383

Trigger Level

Defines the trigger level for the specified trigger source.

For details on supported trigger levels, see the data sheet.

Remote command:

```
TRIGger[:SEQuence]:LEVel:IFPower on page 382
TRIGger[:SEQuence]:LEVel:IQPower on page 383
TRIGger[:SEQuence]:LEVel[:EXTernal<port>] on page 382
For analog baseband or digital baseband input only:
TRIGger[:SEQuence]:LEVel:BBPower on page 381
```

Trigger Offset

Enter the time in seconds or in symbols.

Defines the time offset between the trigger event and the start of the measurement.

| Offset > 0: | Start of the measurement is delayed |
|-------------|---|
| Offset < 0: | Measurement starts earlier (pretrigger) |
| | Only possible for zero span (e.g. I/Q Analyzer application) and gated trigger switched off |
| | Maximum allowed range limited by the measurement time: |
| | Pretrigger _{max} = measurement time _{max} |
| | When using the optional Digital Baseband Interface, the maximum range is limited by the number of pretrigger samples. (See Table 4-4) |

Remote command:

```
TRIGger[:SEQuence]:HOLDoff[:TIME] on page 381
```

Signal Capture

Hysteresis

Defines the distance in dB to the trigger level that the trigger source must exceed before a trigger event occurs. Setting a hysteresis avoids unwanted trigger events caused by noise oscillation around the trigger level.

This setting is only available for "IF Power" trigger sources. The range of the value is between 3 dB and 50 dB with a step width of 1 dB.

When using the optional 2 GHz bandwidth extension (R&S FSW-B2000) with an IF power trigger, the hysteresis refers to the robust width trigger.

(For details see the R&S FSW I/Q Analyzer and I/Q Input User Manual.)

Remote command:

TRIGger[:SEQuence]:IFPower:HYSTeresis on page 381

Drop-Out Time

Defines the time the input signal must stay below the trigger level before triggering again.

Note: For input from the optional Analog Baseband Interface using the baseband power trigger (BBP), the default drop out time is set to 100 ns. This avoids unintentional trigger events (as no hysteresis can be configured in this case).

When using the optional 2 GHz bandwidth extension (R&S FSW-B2000) with an IF power trigger, the drop-out time defines the width of the robust width trigger. By default it is set to 1 μ s. For external triggers, no drop-out time is available when using the B2000 option.

(For details, see the R&S FSW I/Q Analyzer and I/Q Input User Manual.)

Remote command:

TRIGger[:SEQuence]:DTIMe on page 380

Coupling

If the selected trigger source is "IF Power" or External CH3, you can configure the coupling of the external trigger to the oscilloscope.

This setting is only available if the optional 2 GHz bandwidth extension is active (see "B2000 State" on page 169).

"DC 50 Ω " Direct connection with 50 Ω termination, passes both DC and AC

components of the trigger signal.

"DC 1 M Ω " Direct connection with 1 M Ω termination, passes both DC and AC

components of the trigger signal.

"AC" Connection through capacitor, removes unwanted DC and very low-

frequency components.

Remote command:

TRIGger[:SEQuence]:OSCilloscope:COUPling on page 359

Slope

For all trigger sources except time, you can define whether triggering occurs when the signal rises to the trigger level or falls down to it.

When using the optional 2 GHz bandwidth extension (R&S FSW-B2000) with an IF power trigger, only rising slopes can be detected.

Signal Capture

(For details see the R&S FSW I/Q Analyzer and I/Q Input User Manual.)

Remote command:

TRIGger[:SEQuence]:SLOPe on page 383

Trigger Holdoff

Defines the minimum time (in seconds) that must pass between two trigger events. Trigger events that occur during the holdoff time are ignored.

Remote command:

TRIGger[:SEQuence]:IFPower:HOLDoff on page 381

Capture Offset

This setting is only available for slave applications in **MSRA/MSRT operating mode**. It has a similar effect as the trigger offset in other measurements: it defines the time offset between the capture buffer start and the start of the extracted slave application data.

In MSRA mode, the offset must be a positive value, as the capture buffer starts at the trigger time = 0.

In MSRT mode, the offset can be negative if a pretrigger time is defined.

For details on the MSRA operating mode, see the R&S FSW MSRA User Manual.

For details on the MSRT operating mode, see the R&S FSW Real-Time Spectrum Application and MSRT Operating Mode User Manual.

Remote command:

[SENSe:]MSRA:CAPTure:OFFSet on page 443

MSRT mode:

[SENSe:]RTMS:CAPTure:OFFSet on page 444

5.5.3 Sweep Settings

Access: SWEEP

The sweep settings define how often data from the input signal is acquired and then evaluated.

| Continuous Sweep/RUN CONT | 198 |
|----------------------------------|-----|
| Single Sweep/ RUN SINGLE | |
| Continue Single Sweep | 199 |
| Refresh (non-Multistandard mode) | |
| Refresh (MSRA/MSRT only) | 200 |
| Statistic Count | |
| Select Result Rng | 201 |

Continuous Sweep/RUN CONT

After triggering, starts the measurement and repeats it continuously until stopped. This is the default setting.

Signal Capture

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. If the Sequencer is active, the "Continuous Sweep" softkey only controls the sweep mode for the currently selected channel. However, the sweep mode only takes effect the next time the Sequencer activates that channel, and only for a channel-defined sequence. In this case, a channel in continuous sweep mode is swept repeatedly.

If the Sequencer is active in MSRT mode, the "Continuous Sweep" function does not start data capturing. It merely affects trace averaging over multiple sequences. In this case, trace averaging is performed.

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 FSW User Manual.

Remote command:

INITiate<n>:CONTinuous on page 412

Single Sweep/ RUN SINGLE

After triggering, starts the number of evaluations set in "Statistics Count". The measurement stops after the defined number of evaluations has been performed.

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.

Note: Sequencer. If the Sequencer is active, the "Single Sweep" softkey only controls the sweep mode for the currently selected channel. However, the sweep mode only takes effect the next time the Sequencer activates that channel, and only for a channel-defined sequence. In this case, the Sequencer sweeps a channel in single sweep mode only once.

If the Sequencer is active in MSRT mode, the "Single Sweep" function does not start data capturing. It merely affects trace averaging over multiple sequences. In this case, no trace averaging is performed.

Furthermore, the RUN SINGLE key controls the Sequencer, not individual sweeps. RUN SINGLE starts the Sequencer in single mode.

If the Sequencer is off, only the evaluation for the currently displayed measurement channel is updated.

Remote command:

INITiate<n>[:IMMediate] on page 413

Continue Single Sweep

After triggering, repeats the number of evaluations set in "Statistics Count", without deleting the trace of the last measurement.

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

Signal Capture

Remote command:

INITiate<n>:CONMeas on page 412

Refresh (non-Multistandard mode)

Repeats the evaluation of the data currently in the capture buffer without capturing new data. This is useful after changing settings, for example filters, patterns or evaluation ranges.

Remote command:

INITiate: REFMeas on page 413

Refresh (MSRA/MSRT only)

This function is only available if the Sequencer is deactivated and only for **MSRA/MSRT slave applications**.

The data in the capture buffer is re-evaluated by the currently active slave application only. The results for any other slave applications remain unchanged.

This is useful, for example, after evaluation changes have been made or if a new sweep was performed from another slave application; in this case, only that slave application is updated automatically after data acquisition.

Note: To update all active slave applications at once, use the "Refresh all" function in the "Sequencer" menu.

Remote command:

INITiate<n>:REFResh on page 413

Statistic Count

Defines the number of measurements to be considered for statistical evaluations. The behavior depends on the active sweep mode.



Activate "Description" to display a visualization of the behavior of the current settings.

Note: If the "Statistic Count" is set to 1, trace averaging is not performed; Max Hold and Min Hold, however, remain active, unlike in the Spectrum application.

"Auto"

In single sweep mode: captures the I/Q data once and evaluates it In continuous sweep mode: captures I/Q data continuously; for each evaluation, the average is calculated over the last 10 capture sets (moving average)

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"Manual"

In single sweep mode: captures I/Q data until the defined number of

evaluations have been performed

In continuous sweep mode: captures I/Q data continuously; if trace averaging is selected, the average is calculated over the defined

number of capture sets (moving average);

Remote command:

[SENSe:]SWEep:COUNt[:VALue] on page 385

Select Result Rng

Selects the result range from the capture buffer that you want to evaluate.

This function is available in single sweep mode only.

By default, the application shows the results over all result ranges that have been captured in the signal capturing process and are in the R&S FSW's memory. By selecting a range number, you can evaluate a specific result range, e.g. a particular burst.

The range depends on the number of result ranges you have captured previously.

For more information refer also to Chapter 4.6, "Measurement Ranges", on page 134.

Remote command:

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:MBURst:CALC on page 385

5.6 Burst and Pattern Configuration

Access: "Overview" > "Burst/Pattern"

or: MEAS CONFIG > "Burst/Pattern Search"

Information on known patterns and bursts in the captured signal improve the accuracy of the determined ideal reference signal, and calculation of the signal parameters becomes guicker.

For details on burst and patterns see Chapter 4.4, "Overview of the Demodulation Process", on page 103.

5.6.1 Burst Search

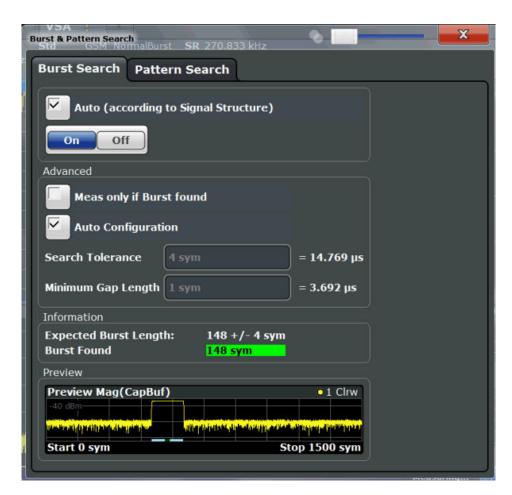
Access: "Overview" > "Burst/Pattern" > "Burst Search"

or: MEAS CONFIG > "Burst/Pattern Search" > "Burst Search" tab

The "Burst Search" settings define when a burst is detected in the evaluated signal.

A live preview of the capture buffer with the current settings is displayed in the preview area at the bottom of the dialog box. The blue lines below the trace indicate the detected bursts. The preview area is not editable directly.

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| Enabling Burst Searches | 202 |
|-------------------------------------|-----|
| Measuring only if burst was found | |
| Burst Configuration | |
| L Search Tolerance | |
| L Min Gap Length | |
| Expected Burst Length / Burst Found | |

Enabling Burst Searches

Enables or disables burst searches. If "Auto" is selected, burst search is enabled only if the signal structure defines a bursted signal (in the "Signal Structure" tab of the "Modulation & Signal Description" dialog box, see "Signal Type" on page 156).

Remote command:

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:BURSt:AUTO on page 387

Measuring only if burst was found

If enabled, measurement results are only displayed (and are only averaged) if a valid burst has been found. When measuring bursted signals that are averaged over several measurements, it is recommended that you enable this option so that erroneous measurements do not affect the result of averaging.

Remote command:

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:BURSt:MODE on page 387

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Burst Configuration

The conditions under which a burst is detected in the captured data can be configured either manually or automatically according to the defined signal structure settings (see "Burst Settings" on page 156.

Remote command:

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:BURSt:CONFigure:AUTO on page 387

Search Tolerance ← **Burst Configuration**

Defines the number of symbols that may differ from the burst length without influencing the burst detection. A search tolerance of 5, for example, with a minimum and maximum burst length of 100, will detect bursts that are 95 to 100 symbols long. (The minimum and maximum burst length is defined in the Signal Structuresettings

Note: Due to the fact that the VSA does not have knowledge of the ramp length, there is an uncertainty in the burst search algorithm. Thus, setting this parameter to "0" will result in a failed burst search for most signals.

Remote command:

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:BURSt:TOLerance on page 388

Min Gap Length ← Burst Configuration

Represents the minimum distance (in symbols) between adjacent bursts. The default value is 1 symbol in order to make sure that the burst search finds bursts that are very close to each other. However, in case the capture buffer does not contain very close bursts, it is recommended that you increase the value. This makes the burst search faster and also more robust for highly distorted signals.

Note that this parameter only influences the robustness of the burst search. It should not be used to explicitly exclude certain bursts from the measurement. For example, setting the minimum gap length to 100 symbols does not ensure that the burst search does not find bursts that have a very small gap.

Remote command:

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:BURSt:GLENgth[:MINimum] on page 387

Expected Burst Length / Burst Found

These fields are for information only and indicate the expected burst length as defined in the Burst Settings, and if a burst is detected, its length.

Remote command:

CALCulate<n>:DDEM:BURSt:LENGth? on page 469

5.6.2 Pattern Search

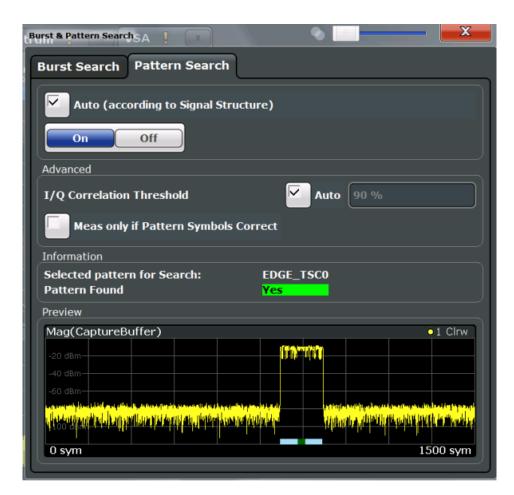
Access: "Overview" > "Burst/Pattern" > "Pattern Search"

or: MEAS CONFIG > "Burst/Pattern Search" > "Pattern Search" tab

The "Pattern Search" settings define when a pattern is detected in the evaluated signal.

A live preview of the capture buffer with the current settings is displayed in the preview area at the bottom of the dialog box. The preview area is not editable directly.

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| Enabling Pattern Searches | 204 |
|--------------------------------------|-----|
| I/Q Correlation Threshold | |
| Meas only if Pattern Symbols Correct | 205 |
| Selected Pattern for Search | |
| Pattern Found | 205 |

Enabling Pattern Searches

Enables or disables pattern searches. If "Auto" is selected, pattern search is enabled only if the signal structure defines a pattern in the signal (in the "Signal Structure" tab of the "Modulation & Signal Description" dialog box, see "Pattern Settings" on page 157).

Remote command:

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:STATe on page 390 [SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:AUTO on page 389

I/Q Correlation Threshold

The I/Q correlation threshold decides whether a match is accepted or not during a pattern search (see also Chapter 4.4.2, "I/Q Pattern Search", on page 108). If the parameter is set to 100%, only I/Q patterns that match totally with the input signal are found. This is only the case for infinite SNR.

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If the threshold "Auto" option is enabled, the default value of 90% is used. As long as the pattern is found, there is no need to change this parameter. However, if the pattern is very short (approximately < 10 symbols) or if the signal is highly distorted, tuning this parameter helps the pattern search to succeed. To define a threshold manually, disable the "Auto" option.

Remote command:

```
[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:IQCThreshold on page 389
[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:PATTern:CONFigure:AUTO on page 388
```

Meas only if Pattern Symbols Correct

If enabled, measurement results are only displayed (and are only averaged) if a valid pattern has been found. When measuring signals that contain a pattern and are averaged over several measurements, it is recommended that you enable this option so that erroneous measurements do not affect the result of averaging.

Remote command:

```
[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:MODE on page 389
```

Selected Pattern for Search

Indicates which of the patterns that are assigned to the current standard is selected and will be searched for.

The selected pattern is indicated for information only and cannot be edited here, only in the "Signal Structure" settings, see "Name" on page 157).

Remote command:

```
[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:SELect on page 390
```

Pattern Found

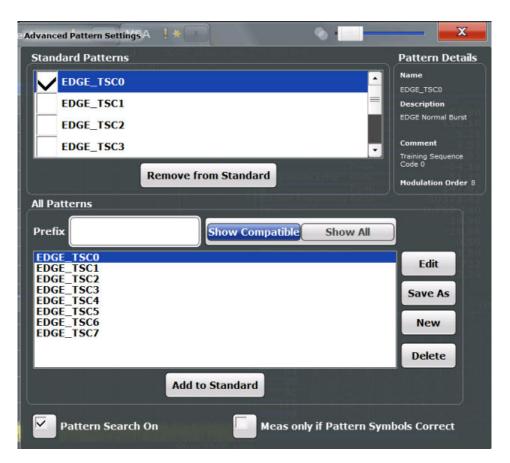
Indicates whether a pattern was found in the currently captured data.

5.6.3 Pattern Configuration

Access: "Meas Config" > "Pattern Config"

For common signal standards, the patterns to be searched for in the captured signal are predefined in the VSA application. In addition, new patterns can be defined and assigned to a signal standard manually.

Burst and Pattern Configuration



| Removing patterns from a standard |
|---|
| Displaying available patterns |
| Displaying available patterns |
| L Prefix |
| L Show Compatible/ Show All 20 Edit 20 Save As 20 |
| Save As |
| |
| |
| New |
| Delete |
| Pattern details |
| Pattern Search On |
| Meas only if Pattern Symbols Correct |

Standard Patterns - selecting an assigned pattern

The "Standard Patterns" are the patterns assigned to the currently selected standard. You can add existing patterns to the standard or remove patterns already assigned to the standard. The highlighted pattern is currently selected for pattern search.

Remote command:

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:SELect on page 390

Removing patterns from a standard

Removes the assignment of the selected patterns to the standard. The patterns are removed from the "Standard Patterns" list, but not deleted.

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Remote command:

```
[SENSe:] DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:PATTern:REMove on page 393
```

Adding patterns to a standard

Adds the selected patterns in the list of available patterns ("All Patterns") to the list of assigned patterns ("Standard Patterns").

For details see "To add a predefined pattern to a standard" on page 256.

Remote command:

```
[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:PATTern:ADD on page 393
```

Displaying available patterns

The "All Patterns" list contains the patterns available in the VSA application.

You can assign available patterns to the selected standard, edit existing or define new patterns.

For details on managing standard patterns, see Chapter 8.2.3.3, "How to Manage Patterns", on page 258

The list can be filtered using the following functions:

Prefix ← **Displaying available patterns**

Shows only patterns that contain the specified prefix.

Show Compatible/ Show All ← Displaying available patterns

Shows only patterns that are compatible to the selected modulation mode or all patterns (regardless of the selected standard).

Edit

Opens the "Edit Pattern" dialog box to edit the pattern definition. See Chapter 5.6.4, "Pattern Definition", on page 208.

For details on defining a pattern, see Example "Defining a pattern" on page 258.

Remote command:

```
[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARCh:SYNC:NAME on page 392
[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARCh:SYNC:COMMent on page 390
[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARCh:SYNC:DATA on page 391
[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARCh:SYNC:TEXT on page 393
```

Save As

Saves a copy of an existing pattern under a new name.

Remote command:

```
[SENSe:] DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:COPY on page 391
```

New

Opens the "Pattern" dialog box to create a new pattern definition. See Chapter 5.6.4, "Pattern Definition", on page 208.

For details on defining a pattern, see Example "Defining a pattern" on page 258.

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Remote command:

```
[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:NAME on page 392
[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:COMMent on page 390
[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:DATA on page 391
[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:TEXT on page 393
```

Delete

Deletes the selected patterns. Any existing assignments to other standards are removed.

Remote command:

```
[SENSe:] DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:DELete on page 391
```

Pattern details

Pattern details for the currently focused pattern are displayed at the upper right-hand side of the dialog box. You can refer to these details, for example, when you want to add a new pattern to the standard and want to make sure you have selected the correct one.

Pattern Search On

If enabled, the VSA application searches for the selected pattern. This setting is identical to the setting in the "Pattern Search" dialog box (see "Enabling Pattern Searches" on page 204).

Remote command:

```
[SENSe:] DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:STATe on page 390
```

Meas only if Pattern Symbols Correct

If enabled, measurement results are only displayed (and are only averaged) if a valid pattern has been found. When measuring signals that contain a pattern and are averaged over several measurements, it is recommended that you enable this option so that erroneous measurements do not affect the result of averaging.

Remote command:

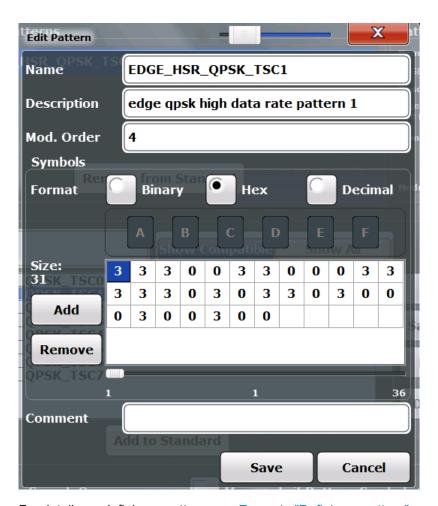
```
[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:MODE on page 389
```

5.6.4 Pattern Definition

```
Access: "Meas Config" > "Pattern Config" > "New"
```

New patterns can be defined and then assigned to a standard.

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For details on defining a pattern, see Example "Defining a pattern" on page 258.

| Name | 209 |
|--------------------|-----|
| Description | 209 |
| Mod. order | |
| Symbols | 210 |
| L Symbol format | 210 |
| L Adding symbols | 210 |
| L Removing symbols | |
| Comment | |

Name

Pattern name that will be displayed in selection list

Remote command:

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:NAME on page 392

Description

Optional description of the pattern which is displayed in the pattern details Remote command:

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:TEXT on page 393

Result Range Configuration

Mod. order

The order of modulation, e.g. 8 for an 8-PSK.

Remote command:

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:NSTate on page 392

Symbols

The pattern definition is a symbol table consisting of one or more symbols. The number of symbols is indicated as the "Size" to the left of the symbol table.

A scrollbar beneath the input area allows you to scroll through the table for long patterns. The numbers beneath the scrollbar indicate the sequential number of the following symbols, from left to right:

- the first symbol
- the currently selected symbol
- the last symbol

Remote command:

[SENSe:] DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:DATA on page 391

Symbol format ← Symbols

Defines the format in which each symbol is defined: hexadecimal, decimal or binary

Adding symbols ← Symbols

Adds a new symbol in the symbol table to the left of the currently selected symbol.

Removing symbols ← Symbols

Removes the currently selected symbol in the symbol table.

Comment

Optional comment for the pattern, displayed in the pattern details (kept for compatibility with FSQ)

Remote command:

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:COMMent on page 390

5.7 Result Range Configuration

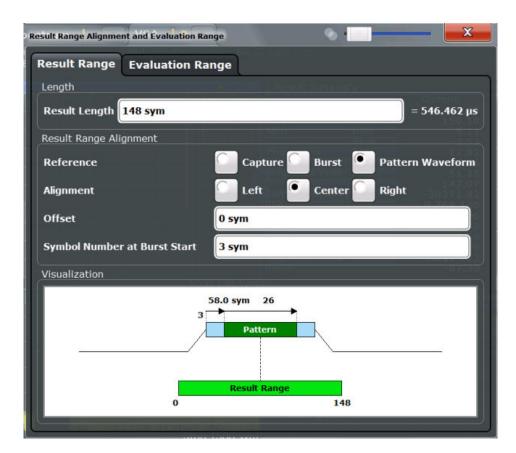
Access: "Overview" > "Cut Result Ranges"

or: MEAS CONFIG > "Range Settings" > "Result Range" tab

The result range determines which part of the capture buffer, burst or pattern is displayed. For more information, see Chapter 4.6, "Measurement Ranges", on page 134.

A visualization of the result display with the current settings is displayed in the visualization area at the bottom of the dialog box.

Result Range Configuration



| Result Length | 211 |
|--|-----|
| Reference | |
| Alignment | 212 |
| Offset | |
| Symbol Number at <reference> Start</reference> | |

Result Length

Defines the number of symbols that are to be demodulated. All traces over time are displayed over the result range.

Remote command:

[SENSe:]DDEMod:TIME on page 395

Reference

Defines the reference for the result range alignment.

The result of the current setting is displayed in the visualization area of the dialog box.

"Capture" the capture buffer "Burst" the detected burst "Pattern" the detected pattern

Remote command:

CALCulate<n>:TRACe<t>:ADJust[:VALue] on page 395

Demodulation Settings

Alignment

Defines the type of alignment of the result range to the reference source. The result of the current setting is displayed in the visualization area of the dialog box.

Remote command:

CALCulate<n>:TRACe<t>:ADJust:ALIGnment[:DEFault] on page 394

Offset

Defines the offset of the result range to the alignment reference. The result of the current setting is displayed in the visualization area of the dialog box.

Note: Note the following restrictions to this parameter:

- An offset < 0 is not possible if you align the result range to the left border of the capture buffer.
- An offset that moves the pattern outside the result range is not allowed. For example, if you align the result to the left border of the pattern, only offsets ≤ 0 are allowed. Otherwise, you would never be able to find the pattern within the result range.

Remote command:

CALCulate<n>:TRACe<t>:ADJust:ALIGnment:OFFSet on page 394

Symbol Number at <Reference> Start

Defines the number of the symbol which marks the beginning of the alignment reference source (burst, capture buffer or pattern). The result of the current setting is displayed in the visualization area of the dialog box.

In effect, this setting defines an offset of the x-axis (in addition to the one defined for the signal structure, see "Offset" on page 157).

Note: When you define the "Symbol Number at <Reference> Start" remember to take the offset defined for the signal structure into consideration (see "Offset" on page 157). The "Symbol Number at Pattern Start" refers to the first symbol of the pattern offset, not the first symbol of the pattern.

Remote command:

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:X[:SCALe]:VOFFset on page 395

5.8 Demodulation Settings

Access: "Overview" > "Demodulation"

or: MEAS CONFIG > "Demod/Meas Filter" > "Demodulation" tab

During demodulation of the vector signal some undesired effects that may occur during transmission can be compensated for. Furthermore, you can influence the synchronization process.

Demodulation Settings

5.8.1 Demodulation - Compensation

Access: "Overview" > "Demodulation" > "Demodulation"

or: MEAS CONFIG > "Demod/Meas Filter" > "Demodulation" tab



Note that compensation for all the listed distortions can result in lower EVM values.

A live preview of the constellation with the current settings is displayed in the preview area at the bottom of the dialog box. The preview area is not editable directly.

Demodulation settings depend on the used modulation.



Figure 5-3: Demodulation settings for PSK, MSK and QAM modulation

Demodulation Settings

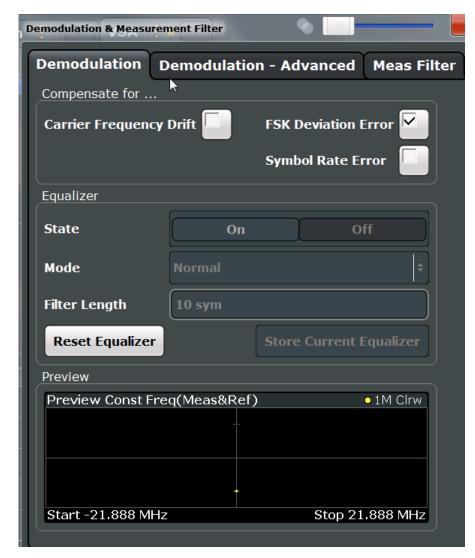


Figure 5-4: Demodulation settings for FSK modulation

| Compensate for (PSK, MSK, ASK, QAM) | 214 |
|-------------------------------------|-----|
| Compensate for (FSK) | 215 |
| Equalizer Settings | |
| L State | |
| L Mode | |
| L Filter Length | 216 |
| L Reset Equalizer | |
| L Store/Load Current Equalizer | 216 |
| | |

Compensate for... (PSK, MSK, ASK, QAM)

If enabled, compensation for various effects is taken into consideration during demodulation. Thus, these distortions are not shown in the calculated error values.

Note: Note that compensation for all the listed distortions can result in lower EVM values.

• I/Q Offset (default: on)

Demodulation Settings

- I/Q Imbalance
- Amplitude Droop (default: on)
- Symbol Rate Error (required to display the SRE in the Result Summary)
- Channel (default: on)

Note that channel distortion can only be determined if the equalizer is on (see "State" on page 215). Thus, compensation can only be disabled if the equalizer is on.

By default, channel compensation is enabled to improve accuracy of the error results. If compensation is disabled, the EVM is calculated from the original input signal with channel distortions.

For details on these effects see Chapter 4.5.1.3, "Modulation Errors", on page 120.

Remote command:

```
[SENSe:]DDEMod:NORMalize:IQOFfset on page 403
[SENSe:]DDEMod:NORMalize:IQIMbalance on page 403
[SENSe:]DDEMod:NORMalize:ADRoop on page 402
[SENSe:]DDEMod:NORMalize:SRERror on page 403
[SENSe:]DDEMod:NORMalize:CHANnel on page 402
```

Compensate for... (FSK)

If enabled, compensation for various effects is taken into consideration during demodulation. Thus, these distortions are not shown in the calculated error values.

- Carrier Frequency Drift
- FSK Deviation Error

For details on these effects see Chapter 4.5.2.3, "Modulation Errors", on page 132.

Remote command:

```
[SENSe:]DDEMod:NORMalize:CFDRift on page 402
[SENSe:]DDEMod:NORMalize:FDERror on page 402
```

Equalizer Settings

The equalizer can compensate for a distorted transmission of the input signal or improve accuracy in estimating the reference signal.

For details see Chapter 4.4.6, "The Equalizer", on page 115.

State ← Equalizer Settings

Activates or deactivates the equalizer to compensate for a distorted channel.

Note: for FSK modulated signals, the equalizer is not available.

Remote command:

```
[SENSe:]DDEMod:EQUalizer[:STATe] on page 400
```

Mode ← **Equalizer Settings**

Defines the operating mode of the equalizer.

"Normal"

Determines the filter values from the difference between the ideal (reference) signal and the measured signal. Normal mode is sufficient for small distortions and performance remains high.

Demodulation Settings

"Tracking" The results of the equalizer in the previous sweep are considered to

calculate the new filter until adequate results are obtained. This "learning" effect allows for powerful removement of larger distortions within a minimum of sweeps. During the tracking phase calculation of

the equalizer requires additional processing time.

"Freeze" The filter is no longer changed, the current equalizer values are used

for subsequent sweeps.

"User" A user-defined equalizer loaded from a file is used.

"Averaging" The results of the equalizer in all previous sweeps (since the instru-

ment was switched on or the equalizer was reset) are considered to calculate the new filter. To start a new averaging process, select the Reset Equalizer button. Calculation of the equalizer requires addi-

tional processing time.

Remote command:

[SENSe:]DDEMod:EQUalizer:MODE on page 399

Filter Length ← Equalizer Settings

Defines the length of the equalizer in symbols. The longer the equalizer, the more accurate the filter becomes and the more distortion can be compensated. However, this requires extended calculation time. The shorter the filter length, the less calculation time is required during the equalizer's tracking or averaging phase.

Remote command:

[SENSe:]DDEMod:EQUalizer:LENGth on page 398

Reset Equalizer ← Equalizer Settings

Deletes the data of the currently selected equalizer. After deletion, averaging and tracking starts anew.

This is useful in the rare case that calculation takes a wrong symbol decision into consideration and distorts the signal such that the original signal can no longer be determined.

Remote command:

```
[SENSe:]DDEMod:EQUalizer:RESet on page 400
```

Store/Load Current Equalizer ← Equalizer Settings

Saves the current equalizer results to a file, or loads a user-defined equalizer.

The equalizer Mode must be set to USER in order to load a file.

Remote command:

```
[SENSe:]DDEMod:EQUalizer:SAVE on page 400 [SENSe:]DDEMod:EQUalizer:LOAD on page 399
```

5.8.2 Advanced Demodulation (Synchronization)

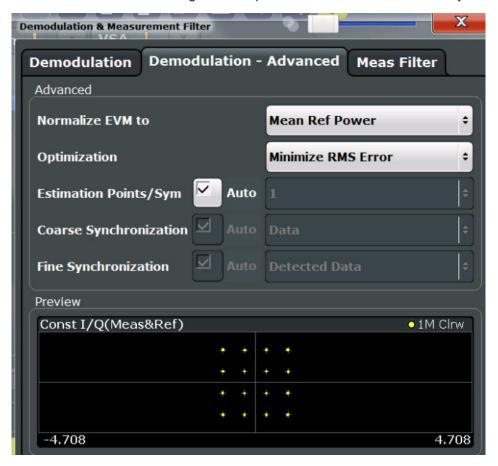
```
Access: "Overview" > "Demodulation" > "Demodulation - Advanced"
```

or: MEAS CONFIG > "Demod/Meas Filter" > "Demodulation - Advanced" tab

Demodulation Settings

You can influence the synchronization process and calculation of error values during demodulation.

A live preview of the constellation with the current settings is displayed in the preview area at the bottom of the dialog box. The preview area is not editable directly.



| Optimization 218 Estimation Points/Sym 218 Coarse Synchronization 219 Fine Synchronization 219 If SER ≤ 220 Offset EVM 220 | Normalize EVM to | 217 |
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| Fine Synchronization | | |
| If SER ≤ | • | |
| | | |
| | Offset EVM | |

Normalize EVM to

Normalizes the EVM to the specified power value.

This setting is not available for MSK or FSK modulation.

Max Ref Power

Maximum power of the reference signal at the symbol instants.

Mean Ref Power

mean power of the reference signal at the symbol instants.

Mean Constellation Power

Mean expected power of the measurement signal at the symbol instants

Demodulation Settings

• Max Constellation Power

The maximum expected power of the measurement signal at the symbol instants

Remote command:

```
[SENSe:]DDEMod:ECALc[:MODE] on page 396
```

Optimization

Determines the method used to calculate the result parameters. The required method depends on the used standard and is set according to the selected standard by default.

"Minimize RMS Optimizes calculation such that the RMS of the error vector is mini-

Error" mal.

"Minimize Optimizes calculation such that EVM is minimal.

EVM"

Remote command:

[SENSe:]DDEMod:OPTimization on page 403

Estimation Points/Sym

During synchronization, the measurement signal is matched to the reference signal and various signal parameters are calculated. You can define how many sample points are used for this calculation at each symbol.

For more information on estimation points per symbol see Chapter 4.7, "Display Points vs Estimation Points per Symbol", on page 139.

You can set the estimation points manually or let the VSA application decide how many estimation points to use.

If automatic mode is enabled, the VSA application uses the following settings, depending on the modulation type:

| Modulation | Est. Points |
|-------------|----------------------|
| PSK, QAM | 1 |
| Offset QPSK | 2 |
| FSK, MSK | Capture Oversampling |

For manual mode, the following settings are available:

"1" the estimation algorithm takes only the symbol time instants into

account

"2" two points per symbol instant are used (required for Offset QPSK)

"Capture Oversampling"

the number of samples per symbol defined in the signal capture settings is used (see "Sample Rate" on page 190), i.e. all sample time instants are weighted equally

Remote command:

```
[SENSe:]DDEMod:EPRate:AUTO on page 397
[SENSe:]DDEMod:EPRate[:VALue] on page 398
```

Demodulation Settings

Coarse Synchronization

It is not only possible to check whether the pattern is part of the signal, but also to use the pattern for synchronization, in order to obtain the correct reference signal.

For details on synchronization see Chapter 4.4, "Overview of the Demodulation Process", on page 103.

If "Auto" mode is selected, the detected data is used. In manual mode you can select one of the following settings:

"Data" (Default): the detected data is used for synchronization, i.e. unknown

symbols

Use this setting if no pattern is available or if the pattern is short or does not have suitable synchronization properties, e.g. a pattern that

consists of only one repeated symbol.

"Pattern" Known symbols from a defined pattern are used for synchronization

Depending on the signal, using the pattern can speed up your measurement considerably and make it more robust against high carrier

frequency offsets.

Make sure that the pattern is suitable for synchronization, e.g. a GSM

pattern.

Remote command:

```
[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:PATTern:SYNC:AUTO on page 404
[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:PATTern:SYNC[:STATe] on page 404
```

Fine Synchronization

In addition to the coarse synchronization used for symbol decisions, a fine synchronization is available to calculate various results from the reference signal, e.g. the EVM. However, when the signal is known to have a poor transmission quality or has a high noise level, false symbol decisions are more frequent, which may cause spikes in the EVM results. In this case, you can restrict the synchronization to a known symbol sequence or pattern, if available.

For details on synchronization see Chapter 4.4.5, "Synchronization and the Reference Signal", on page 113.

If "Auto" mode is selected and a Known Data file has been loaded and activated for use, the known data sequences are used. Otherwise, the detected data is used.

Note: You can define a maximum symbol error rate (SER) for the known data in reference to the evaluated data. If the SER of the known data exceeds this limit, the default synchronization using the detected data is performed (see "If SER ≤" on page 220).

"Detected (Default) The reference signal is estimated from the detected symbols.

"Known Data" The reference signal is defined as the data seguence from the loaded

Known Data file that most closely matches the measured data.

"Pattern" The reference signal is estimated from the defined pattern.

Note: particularly (but not only) for shaped offset QPSK modulated signals, it is not recommended that you use a pattern that is significantly shorter than the result range for fine synchronization, as this

may lead to imprecise synchronization.

Measurement Filter Settings

Remote command:

```
[SENSe:]DDEMod:FSYNc:AUTO on page 400
[SENSe:]DDEMod:FSYNc[:MODE] on page 401
[SENSe:]DDEMod:FSYNc:RESult? on page 401
```

If SER ≤

This setting is only available if "Known Data" is selected for "Fine Synchronization". You can define a maximum symbol error rate for the known data in reference to the evaluated data. Thus, if a wrong file was mistakenly loaded or the file proves to be unsuitable, it is not used for synchronization. Otherwise the results would be strongly distorted. If the SER of the known data exceeds this limit, the default synchronization using the detected data is performed.

Remote command:

```
[SENSe:] DDEMod:FSYNc:LEVel on page 400
```

Offset EVM

The offset EVM is only available for (shaped or normal) Offset QPSK modulated signals.

Unlike QPSK modulation, the Q component of Offset QPSK modulation is delayed by half a symbol period against the I component in the time domain. The symbol time instants of the I and the Q component therefore do not coincide.

The offset EVM controls the calculation of all results that are based on the error vector. It affects the EVM, Real/Imag and Vector I/Q result displays as well as the EVM results in the Result Summary (EVM and MER).

You can configure the way the VSA application calculates the error vector results.

If "Offset EVM" is disabled, the VSA application subtracts the measured signal from the reference signal to calculate the error vector. This method results in the fact that the error vector contains two symbol instants per symbol period: one that corresponds to the I component and one that corresponds to the Q component.

If "Offset EVM" is enabled, however, the VSA application compensates the delay of the Q component with respect to the I component in the measurement signal as well as the reference signal **before** calculating the error vector. That means that the error vector contains only one symbol instant per symbol period.

Remote command:

```
[SENSe:]DDEMod:ECALc:OFFSet on page 397
```

5.9 Measurement Filter Settings

Access: "Overview" > "Meas Filter"

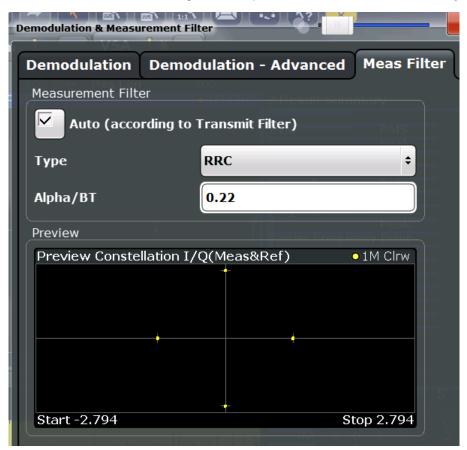
or: MEAS CONFIG > "Demod/Meas Filter" > "Meas Filter" tab

The measurement filter can be used to filter both the measured signal and the reference signal, and thus the error vector. You can configure the measurement filter to be used.

Measurement Filter Settings

For more information on measurement filters see Chapter 4.1.4, "Measurement Filters", on page 64.

A live preview of the constellation with the current settings is displayed in the preview area at the bottom of the dialog box. The preview area is not editable directly.



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Using the Transmit Filter as a Measurement Filter (Auto)

If the "Auto" option is enabled, the measurement filter is defined automatically depending on the transmit filter specified in the "Modulation" settings (see "Transmit Filter Type" on page 154).

Note: If a user-defined transmit filter is selected and the measurement filter is defined automatically, a Low-ISI measurement filter according to the selected user filter is calculated and used.

Remote command:

[SENSe:]DDEMod:MFILter:AUTO on page 405

Type

Defines the measurement filter type, if the Using the Transmit Filter as a Measurement Filter (Auto) setting is not enabled.

Evaluation Range Configuration

"<Predefined The selected predefined filter is used.

Filter>" An overview of available measurement filters is provided in Chap-

ter C.2, "Measurement Filters", on page 514.

(For SOQPSK modulated signals, no low-ISI measurement filter is available. If selected, the used filter does not provide low-ISI results!

"User" User-defined filter.

Define the filter using the Load User Filter function or the [SENSe:

| DDEMod:MFILter:USER command.

For more information on user-defined filters see Chapter 4.1.5, "Cus-

tomized Filters", on page 66.

"None" No measurement filter is used.

Remote command:

[SENSe:]DDEMod:MFILter[:STATe] on page 405

To turn off the measurement filter.

[SENSe:]DDEMod:MFILter:USER on page 406

To use a user-defined filter.

[SENSe:]DDEMod:MFILter:NAME on page 405

To define the name of the measurement filter.

Load User Filter ← **Type**

Opens a file-selection dialog box to select the user-defined measurement filter to be used.

This setting is only available if "User" is selected as the "Filter Type".

Remote command:

[SENSe:]DDEMod:MFILter:USER on page 406

Alpha/BT ← Type

Defines the roll-off factor (Alpha) or the filter bandwidth (BT).

The roll-off factor or filter bandwidth are available for RC, RRC and Gauss filters.

If the measurement mode is automatically selected according to the transmit filter, this setting is identical to the "Alpha/BT" value in the modulation settings (see "Alpha/BT" on page 155).

Remote command:

Measurement filter: [SENSe:]DDEMod:MFILter:ALPHa on page 405 Transmit filter: [SENSe:]DDEMod:TFILter:ALPHa on page 327

5.10 Evaluation Range Configuration

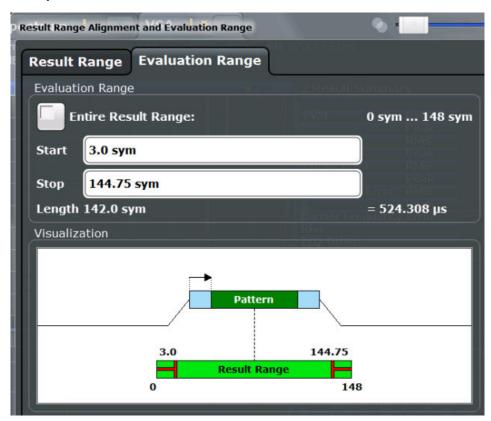
Access: "Overview" > "Evaluation Range"

or: MEAS CONFIG > "Range Settings" > "Evaluation Range" tab

The evaluation range defines which range of the result is to be evaluated - either the entire result range or only a specified part of it. The calculated length of the specified range is indicated beneath the entries.

Evaluation Range Configuration

A visualization of the evaluation range (in relation to the result range) with the current settings is displayed at the bottom of the dialog box. The green bar below the trace indicates the defined result range, indented red lines indicate defined start and stop symbols (see "Evaluation range display" on page 138). The visualization is not editable directly.



For details on the evaluation range see Chapter 4.6, "Measurement Ranges", on page 134.

For an example on setting the evaluation range see Chapter 9.3.5, "Setting the Evaluation Range", on page 283.

| Evaluating the Entire Result Range | 223 |
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Evaluating the Entire Result Range

If enabled, the entire result range is evaluated.

If disabled, you can define a specific part of the result range to be evaluated.

Remote command:

CALCulate<n>:ELIN<startstop>:STATe on page 406

Start / Stop

Defines the symbol in the result range at which evaluation is started and stopped. The start and stop symbols themselves are included in the evaluation range.

Note: Note that the start and stop values are defined with respect to the x-axis including an optional offset defined via the Symbol Number at <Reference> Start parameter.

Adjusting Settings Automatically

Remote command:

CALCulate<n>:ELIN<startstop>[:VALue] on page 407

5.11 Adjusting Settings Automatically

Access: AUTO SET

Some settings can be adjusted by the R&S FSW automatically according to the current measurement settings. In order to do so, a measurement is performed. The duration of this measurement can be defined automatically or manually.

To activate the automatic adjustment of a setting, select the corresponding function in the AUTO SET menu or in the configuration dialog box for the setting, where available.



Adjusting settings automatically during triggered measurements

When you select an auto adjust function a measurement is performed to determine the optimal settings. If you select an auto adjust function for a triggered measurement, you are asked how the R&S FSW should behave:

- (default:) The measurement for adjustment waits for the next trigger
- The measurement for adjustment is performed without waiting for a trigger.
 The trigger source is temporarily set to "Free Run". After the measurement is completed, the original trigger source is restored. The trigger level is adjusted as follows for IF Power and RF Power triggers:
 Trigger Level = Reference Level 15 dB

Remote command:

[SENSe:]ADJust:CONFigure:TRIG on page 410

| Setting the Reference Level Automatically (Auto Level) | 224 |
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| Resetting the Automatic Measurement Time (Meastime Auto) | |
| Changing the Automatic Measurement Time (Meastime Manual) | 225 |
| Upper Level Hysteresis | 225 |
| Lower Level Hysteresis | 225 |
| Auto Scale Once/Auto Scale Window | |
| Auto Scalo All | 226 |

Setting the Reference Level Automatically (Auto Level)

Automatically determines a reference level which ensures that no overload occurs at the R&S FSW for the current input data. At the same time, the internal attenuators and the preamplifier (for analog baseband input: the full scale level) are adjusted so the signal-to-noise ratio is optimized, while signal compression and clipping are minimized.

To determine the required reference level, a level measurement is performed on the R&S FSW.

If necessary, you can optimize the reference level further. Decrease the attenuation level manually to the lowest possible value before an overload occurs, then decrease the reference level in the same way.

Adjusting Settings Automatically

When using the optional 2 GHz bandwidth extension (R&S FSW-B2000), the level measurement is performed on the connected oscilloscope. Y-axis scaling on the oscilloscope is limited to a minimum of 5mV per division.

You can change the measurement time for the level measurement if necessary (see "Changing the Automatic Measurement Time (Meastime Manual)" on page 225).

Remote command:

```
[SENSe:]ADJust:LEVel on page 410
```

Resetting the Automatic Measurement Time (Meastime Auto)

Resets the measurement duration for automatic settings to the default value.

Remote command:

```
[SENSe:] ADJust:CONFigure:DURation:MODE on page 409
```

Changing the Automatic Measurement Time (Meastime Manual)

This function allows you to change the measurement duration for automatic setting adjustments. Enter the value in seconds.

Remote command:

```
[SENSe:]ADJust:CONFigure:DURation:MODE on page 409 [SENSe:]ADJust:CONFigure:DURation on page 408
```

Upper Level Hysteresis

When the reference level is adjusted automatically using the Auto Level function, the internal attenuators and the preamplifier are also adjusted. To avoid frequent adaptation due to small changes in the input signal, you can define a hysteresis. This setting defines a lower threshold the signal must fall below (compared to the last measurement) before the reference level is adapted automatically.

Remote command:

```
[SENSe:]ADJust:CONFigure:HYSTeresis:UPPer on page 410
```

Lower Level Hysteresis

When the reference level is adjusted automatically using the Auto Level function, the internal attenuators and the preamplifier are also adjusted. To avoid frequent adaptation due to small changes in the input signal, you can define a hysteresis. This setting defines a lower threshold the signal must fall below (compared to the last measurement) before the reference level is adapted automatically.

Remote command:

```
[SENSe:]ADJust:CONFigure:HYSTeresis:LOWer on page 409
```

Auto Scale Once/Auto Scale Window

If enabled, both the x-axis and y-axis are automatically adapted to the current measurement results (only once, not dynamically) in the selected window.

To adapt the range of all screens together, use the Auto Scale All function.

Remote command:

on page 408

```
For statistics (result type transformation): CALCulate<n>:STATistics:SCALe: AUTO ONCE on page 370 For all other results: DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:AUTO ONCE
```

Restoring Factory Settings for Vector Signal Analysis

Auto Scale All

Adapts the x-axis and y-axis to the current measurement values (only once, not dynamically) in all measurement windows.

Remote command:

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:AUTO:ALL on page 408

5.12 Restoring Factory Settings for Vector Signal Analysis

Access: MEAS

Apart from the "Preset Channel" function (see "Preset Channel" on page 148), the following functions are available to restore factory settings to the VSA application:

| Restore Factory Settings | 226 |
|--------------------------|-----|
| L Restore Standard Files | |
| L Restore Pattern Files | 226 |

Restore Factory Settings

Opens a submenu that allows you to restore all standards and pattern settings on the instrument to the values predefined by Rohde & Schwarz available at the time of delivery.

Restore Standard Files ← **Restore Factory Settings**

Restores the standards predefined by Rohde & Schwarz available at the time of delivery.

Note that this function will overwrite customized standards that have the same name as predefined standards.

Remote command:

```
[SENSe:]DDEMod:FACTory[:VALue] on page 317
```

Restore Pattern Files ← Restore Factory Settings

Restores the pattern files predefined by Rohde&Schwarz available at the time of delivery.

Remote command:

```
[SENSe:]DDEMod:FACTory[:VALue] on page 317
```

Trace Settings

6 Analysis

Access: "Overview" > "Analysis"

General result analysis settings concerning the trace, markers, windows etc. can be configured. They are identical to the analysis functions in the base unit except for the special window functions.



Window-specific configuration

The settings in the "Analysis" dialog box are specific to the selected window. Thus, the "Analysis" button is only available in the "Overview" if the "Specifics for" option is enabled. To configure the settings for a different VSA window, select the window outside the displayed dialog box, or select the window from the "Specifics for" selection list in the dialog box.

| • | Trace Settings | 227 |
|---|----------------------------------|-----|
| | Trace Export Settings | |
| | Markers | |
| | Limit and Display Lines. | |
| | Display and Window Configuration | |
| | Analysis in MSRA/MSRT Mode | |

6.1 Trace Settings

Access: "Overview" > "Analysis" > "Traces"

or: TRACE > "Trace Config"

The trace settings determine how the measured data is analyzed and displayed in the window. Depending on the result display, between 1 and 6 traces may be displayed.



Trace data can also be exported to an ASCII file for further analysis. For details see Chapter 6.2, "Trace Export Settings", on page 230.

Trace Settings



| Trace 1/Trace 2/Trace 3/Trace 4/Trace 5/Trace 6 | 228 |
|---|-----|
| Trace Mode | 228 |
| Evaluation | 229 |
| Predefined Trace Settings - Quick Config | 229 |
| Trace 1/Trace 2/Trace 3/Trace 4 (Softkeys) | |

Trace 1/Trace 2/Trace 3/Trace 4/Trace 5/Trace 6

Selects the corresponding trace for configuration. The currently selected trace is highlighted orange.

For the Magnitude Overview Absolute result display, only one trace is available.

Remote command:

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>[:STATe] on page 419

Selected via numeric suffix of TRACe<t> commands

Trace Mode

Defines the update mode for subsequent traces.

The available trace modes depend on the selected result display. Not all evaluations support all trace modes.

For the Magnitude Overview Absolute result display, only the trace modes "Clear/Write" and "View" are available. For the Magnitude Absolute result display, the trace modes Average, MinHold, MaxHold are applied to the individual result ranges and thus may not provide useful results.

Trace Settings

"Clear Write" Overwrite mode: the trace is overwritten by each measurement. This is the default setting.

"Max Hold" The maximum value is determined over several measurements and

displayed. The R&S FSW saves each trace point in the trace memory

only if the new value is greater than the previous one.

"Min Hold" The minimum value is determined from several measurements and

displayed. The R&S FSW saves each trace point in the trace memory

only if the new value is lower than the previous one.

"Average" The average is formed over several measurements.

The Statistic Count determines the number of averaging procedures.

"View" The current contents of the trace memory are frozen and displayed.

"Blank" Removes the selected trace from the display.

Remote command:

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:MODE on page 418

Evaluation

Defines whether the trace displays the evaluation of the measured signal or the reference signal (if "Meas & Ref Signal" is used as the evaluation data source, see "Signal Source" on page 241).

For multi-source results, the evaluation for each trace can be defined as error or capture buffer/measurement (depending on the result type, see "Multi Source" on page 20).

Remote command:

CALCulate<n>:TRACe<t>[:VALue] on page 417

Predefined Trace Settings - Quick Config

Commonly required trace settings have been predefined and can be applied very quickly by selecting the appropriate button.

| Function | Trace Settings | s |
|----------------------|----------------|-------------|
| Preset All Traces | Trace 1: | Clear Write |
| | Traces 2-6: | Blank |
| Set Trace Mode | Trace 1: | Max Hold |
| Max Avg Min | Trace 2: | Average |
| | Trace 3: | Min Hold |
| | Traces 4-6: | Blank |
| Set Trace Mode | Trace 1: | Max Hold |
| Max ClrWrite Min | Trace 2: | Clear Write |
| | Trace 3: | Min Hold |
| | Traces 4-6: | Blank |

Trace 1/Trace 2/Trace 3/Trace 4 (Softkeys)

Displays the "Traces" settings and focuses the "Mode" list for the selected trace.

Trace Export Settings

For the Magnitude Overview Absolute result display, only one trace is available.

Remote command:

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>[:STATe] on page 419

6.2 Trace Export Settings

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

or: TRACE > "Trace Export Config"

The captured (trace) data can also be exported to an ASCII file. The format of these files can be configured.



| Data Export Mode | 230 |
|--------------------|-----|
| Header | 231 |
| Decimal Separator | 231 |
| Trace ASCII Export | 231 |

Data Export Mode

Defines whether raw I/Q data (as captured) or trace data (evaluated) is stored.

Markers

Remote command:

FORMat: DEXPort: MODE on page 463

Header

If enabled, a header with scaling information etc. is included in the file.

Remote command:

FORMat: DEXPort: HEADer on page 463

Decimal Separator

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

Remote command:

FORMat:DEXPort:DSEParator on page 462

Trace ASCII Export

Opens a file selection dialog box and saves the traces of the captured data in ASCII format to the specified file and directory.

Either the traces for the selected window only (see "Specifics for" on page 148) are exported, or the traces of all windows are exported, one after the other.

For details on the file format see Chapter D, "ASCII File Export Format for VSA Data", on page 516.

Remote command:

MMEMory:STORe<n>:TRACe on page 463

6.3 Markers

Access: "Overview" > "Analysis" > "Marker"

or: MKR

Markers help you analyze your measurement results by determining particular values in the diagram. Thus you can extract numeric values from a graphical display.

| • | Individual Marker Settings | 231 |
|---|-------------------------------|-----|
| | Marker Search Settings | |
| | Marker Positioning Functions. | |

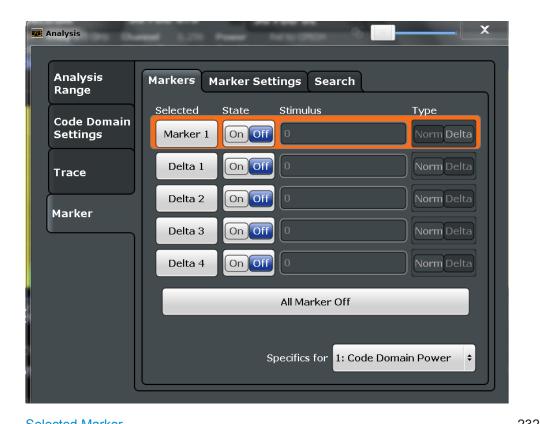
6.3.1 Individual Marker Settings

Access: "Overview" > "Analysis" > "Marker" > "Markers"

or: MKR > "Marker Config"

In VSA evaluations, up to 5 markers can be activated in each diagram at any time.

Markers



| Selected Marker | |
|---------------------------------|-----|
| Marker State | 232 |
| X-value | |
| Marker Type | |
| Assigning the Marker to a Trace | |
| All Markers Off | |
| Couple Windows | |
| | |

Selected Marker

Marker name. The marker which is currently selected for editing is highlighted orange.

Remote command:

Marker selected via suffix <m> in remote commands.

Marker State

Activates or deactivates the marker in the diagram.

Remote command:

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>[:STATe] on page 421
CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>[:STATe] on page 422

X-value

Defines the position of the marker on the x-axis.

Remote command:

CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:X on page 423
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:X on page 422

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:

```
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>[:STATe] on page 421
CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>[:STATe] on page 422
```

Assigning the Marker to a Trace

The "Trace" setting assigns the selected marker to an active trace. The trace determines which value the marker shows at the marker position. If the marker was previously assigned to a different trace, the marker remains on the previous frequency or time, but indicates the value of the new trace.

If a trace is turned off, the assigned markers and marker functions are also deactivated.

Remote command:

```
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:TRACe on page 421
```

All Markers Off

Deactivates all markers in one step.

Remote command:

```
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:AOFF on page 420
```

Couple Windows

If enabled, markers in all diagrams with the same x-axis (time or symbols) have coupled x-values (except for capture buffer display), i.e. if you move the marker in one diagram, it is moved in all coupled diagrams.

Remote command:

```
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:LINK on page 421
```

6.3.2 Marker Search Settings

Access: MKR TO > "Search Config"

Several functions are available to set the marker to a specific position very quickly and easily. In order to determine the required marker position, searches may be performed. The search results can be influenced by special settings.

Markers



| Search Mode for Next Peak | 234 |
|-------------------------------|-----|
| Real / Imag Plot | 234 |
| Search Limits (Left / Right). | |

Search Mode for Next Peak

Selects the search mode for the next peak search.

"Left" Determines the next maximum/minimum to the left of the current

peak.

"Absolute" Determines the next maximum/minimum to either side of the current

peak.

"Right" Determines the next maximum/minimum to the right of the current

peak.

Remote command:

Chapter 11.7.2.2, "Marker Search and Positioning Settings", on page 424

Real / Imag Plot

Defines whether marker search functions are performed on the real or imaginary trace of the "Real/Imag" measurement.

Remote command:

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:SEARch on page 429

Search Limits (Left / Right)

If activated, limit lines are defined and displayed for the search. Only results within the limited search range are considered.

Remote command:

```
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:X:SLIMits[:STATe] on page 431
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:X:SLIMits:LEFT on page 430
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:X:SLIMits:RIGHT on page 430
```

6.3.3 Marker Positioning Functions

The following functions set the currently selected marker to the result of a peak search.

"Overview" > "Bandwidth"

Access: MKR ->

Markers

| Peak Search | 235 |
|---------------------|-----|
| Search Next Peak | 235 |
| Max Peak | 235 |
| Search Minimum | 235 |
| Search Next Minimum | 235 |

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 428
CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MAXimum[:PEAK] on page 425
```

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 428

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MAXimum:RIGHt on page 428

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MAXimum:LEFT on page 427

CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MAXimum:NEXT on page 425

CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MAXimum:RIGHt on page 426

CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MAXimum:LEFT on page 425
```

Max |Peak|

Sets the active marker/delta marker to the largest absolute peak value (maximum or minimum) of the selected trace.

Remote command:

```
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MAXimum:APEak on page 427
```

Search Minimum

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

Remote command:

```
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MINimum[:PEAK] on page 429
CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MINimum[:PEAK] on page 426
```

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 429

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MINimum:LEFT on page 428

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MINimum:RIGHt on page 429

CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MINimum:NEXT on page 426

CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MINimum:LEFT on page 426

CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MINimum:RIGHt on page 427
```

Limit and Display Lines

6.4 Limit and Display Lines

Access: LINES > "Lines/Limits"

The results of a modulation accuracy measurement can be checked for violation of defined limits automatically (see "Modulation Accuracy" on page 19).

For eye diagrams, display lines allow you to measure the size of the eye in the diagram.

6.4.1 Display Lines for Eye Diagrams

For eye diagrams (see Chapter 3.2, "Result Types in VSA", on page 20), display lines allow you to measure the size of the eye in the diagram. For other result displays, lines are not available.

Access: LINES > "Lines/Limits"

For a detailed description on the use of display lines in eye diagrams see Chapter 8.3.2, "How to Measure the Size of an Eye", on page 266.

| Vertical Line | 236 |
|-----------------|-----|
| Horizontal Line | 236 |

Vertical Line

Displays an absolute or relative vertical line in an eye diagram (see Chapter 3.2, "Result Types in VSA", on page 20). A relative line is only available if an absolute vertical line is already displayed.

The position of the lines can be defined numerically or by dragging the line to a new position in the diagram.

The absolute x-value of the eye diagram at the position of the first line is indicated in the diagram. The relative x-value of the eye diagram at the position of the second line, in relation to the x-value at the first line, is also indicated. The unit of the vertical lines depends on the unit of the x-axis in the diagram.

If you position the lines at the left and right edges of the eye, the relative line value represents the width of the eye.

See also Chapter 8.3.2, "How to Measure the Size of an Eye", on page 266.

Remote command:

```
CALCulate<n>:TLABs:STATe on page 433
CALCulate<n>:TLABs[:VALue] on page 434
CALCulate<n>:TLRel:STATe on page 434
CALCulate<n>:TLRel[:VALue] on page 435
```

Horizontal Line

Displays an absolute or relative horizontal line in an eye diagram (see Chapter 3.2, "Result Types in VSA", on page 20). A relative line is only available if an absolute horizontal line is already displayed.

The position of the lines can be defined numerically or by dragging the line to a new position in the diagram.

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The absolute y-value of the eye diagram at the position of the first line is indicated in the diagram. The relative y-value of the eye diagram at the position of the second line, in relation to the y-value at the first line, is also indicated. The unit of the vertical lines depends on the unit of the y-axis in the diagram.

If you position the lines at the top and the bottom of the eye, the relative line value represents the height of the eye.

See also Chapter 8.3.2, "How to Measure the Size of an Eye", on page 266.

Remote command:

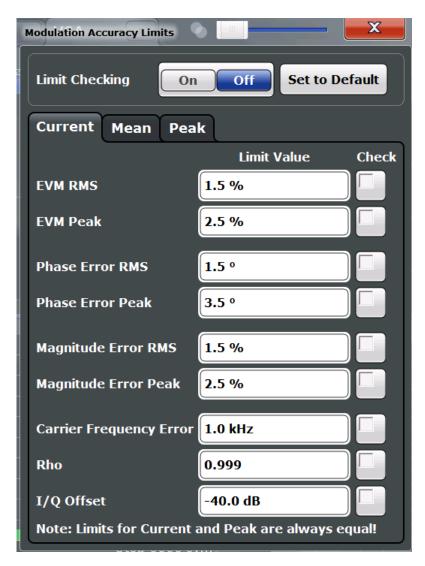
```
CALCulate<n>:DLABs:STATe on page 431
CALCulate<n>:DLABs[:VALue] on page 432
CALCulate<n>:DLRel:STATe on page 432
CALCulate<n>:DLRel[:VALue] on page 433
```

6.4.2 Modulation Accuracy Limit Lines

Access: LINES > "ModAcc Limits Config"

The results of a modulation accuracy measurement can be checked for violation of defined limits automatically (see "Modulation Accuracy" on page 19).

Limit and Display Lines



For details on working with limits see Chapter 8.3.3, "How to Check Limits for Modulation Accuracy", on page 267.

| Checking Modulation Accuracy Limits | 238 |
|-------------------------------------|-----|
| Set to Default | 239 |
| Current/Mean/Peak | 239 |
| L Limit Value | 239 |
| L Check. | |

Checking Modulation Accuracy Limits

Activates or deactivates evaluation of modulation accuracy limits in the result summary.

For details on working with limits see Chapter 8.3.3, "How to Check Limits for Modulation Accuracy", on page 267.

Remote command:

CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:STATe on page 436

Limit and Display Lines

Set to Default

Restores the default limits and deactivates all checks.

Remote command:

CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:DEFault on page 436

Current/Mean/Peak

Defines and activates the limits for the currently measured value, the mean and the peak value on separate tabs. Note that the limits for the current and peak values are always the same.

For details on working with limits see Chapter 8.3.3, "How to Check Limits for Modulation Accuracy", on page 267.

Limit Value ← **Current/Mean/Peak**

Define the limit with which the currently measured, mean or peak value is to be compared. A different limit value can be defined for each result type. Depending on the modulation type, different result types are available.

| Result type | Remote command |
|----------------------|---|
| PSK, MSK, QAM: | |
| EVM RMS | CALCulate <n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:EVM:RCURrent:VALue on page 438</n> |
| EVM Peak | CALCulate <n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:EVM:PCURrent:VALue on page 438</n> |
| Phase Err Rms | CALCulate <n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:PERRor:RCURrent:VALue on page 440</n> |
| Phase Err Peak | CALCulate <n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:PERRor:PCURrent:VALue on page 440</n> |
| Magnitude Err Rms | CALCulate <n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:MERRor:RCURrent:VALue on page 440</n> |
| Magnitude Err Peak | CALCulate <n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:MERRor:PCURrent:VALue on page 440</n> |
| Carr Freq Err | CALCulate <n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:CFERror:CURRent:VALue on page 438</n> |
| Rho | CALCulate <n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:RHO:CURRent:VALue on page 441</n> |
| IQ Offset | CALCulate <n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:OOFFset:CURRent:VALue on page 440</n> |
| FSK modulation only: | |
| Freq Err Rms | CALCulate <n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:FERRor:RCURrent:VALue on page 439</n> |
| Freq Err Peak | CALCulate <n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:FERRor:PCURrent:VALue on page 439</n> |
| Magnitude Err Rms | CALCulate <n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:MERRor:RCURrent:VALue on page 440</n> |

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| Result type | Remote command |
|--------------------|---|
| Magnitude Err Peak | CALCulate <n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:MERRor:PCURrent:VALue on page 440</n> |
| FSK Dev Err | CALCulate <n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:FERRor:PCURrent:VALue on page 439</n> |
| Carr Freq Err | CALCulate <n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:CFERror:CURRent:VALue on page 438</n> |

For details on working with limits see Chapter 8.3.3, "How to Check Limits for Modulation Accuracy", on page 267.

Check ← **Current/Mean/Peak**

Considers the defined limit value in the limit check, if checking is activated.

For details on working with limits see Chapter 8.3.3, "How to Check Limits for Modulation Accuracy", on page 267.

Remote command:

CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:<ResultType>:<LimitType>:STATe on page 437

6.5 Display and Window Configuration

The captured I/Q data can be evaluated using various different methods without having to start a new measurement.

As opposed to the R&S FSW I/Q Analyzer application or other applications, in VSA configuring the result display requires two steps:

1. **Display Configuration:** In the first step, you select the data source for the evaluation and the window placement in the SmartGrid.

The SmartGrid mode is activated automatically when you select the "Display Config" softkey from the main VSA menu or the "Display Config" button in the Overview. Note, however, that this button is only displayed in the general "Overview", not for window-specific configuration ("Specifics for" must be disabled).

The default evaluation for the selected data source is displayed in the window. Up to 16 result displays can be displayed simultaneously in separate windows. The VSA evaluation methods are described in Chapter 3, "Measurements and Result Displays", on page 16.

For details on working with the SmartGrid see the R&S FSW Getting Started manual.

(Result) Window Configuration: In a second step, you can select a different evaluation method (result type) for the window, based on the data source selected in the "Display Configuration".

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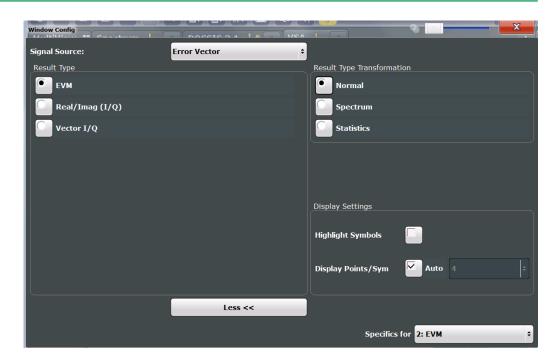
6.5.1 Result Window Configuration

Access: "Overview" > "Display Config"

For each result window you can select a different evaluation method (result type), based on the data source selected in the "Display Configuration". Further window settings are available for some result types.



Some settings are only displayed after you select the "More" button in the dialog box. To hide these settings, select the "Less" button.



| Signal Source | 241 |
|----------------------------|-----|
| Result Type | 241 |
| Result Type Transformation | |
| Highlight Symbols | |
| Display Points/Sym | |
| Oversampling | |
| | |

Signal Source

Data source as selected in the "Display Configuration" (see Chapter 3, "Measurements and Result Displays", on page 16). If you change the signal source setting here, the default result type for the new data source is activated for the current window.

Remote command:

LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]? on page 446 CALCulate<n>:FORMat on page 454

Result Type

The result type defines the evaluation method used in the current window.

Display and Window Configuration

The available result types in VSA are described in Chapter 3.2, "Result Types in VSA", on page 20.

Remote command:

CALCulate<n>: FORMat on page 454

Result Type Transformation

For certain result types it is not only possible to see the common "over time" representation of the measurement, but also the spectrum or the statistics (in form of a histogram). These are the transformations of the results.

These settings are not available for symbol evaluation, i.e. the following signal sources:

- Symbols
- Modulation Accuracy
- Equalizer

"Normal" Evaluation in time domain

X-axis displays time values.

"Spectrum" Evaluation in frequency domain

X-axis displays frequency values. The usable I/Q bandwidth is indica-

ted in the display.

"Statistics" Statistical evaluation (histogram)

X-axis displays former y-values. Y-axis displays statistical informa-

tion:

- Trace 1: the probability of occurrence of a certain value is plotted against the value
- Trace 2: the cumulated probability of occurrence is plotted against the value.

Remote command:

```
CALCulate<n>:DDEM:SPECtrum[:STATe] on page 453
CALCulate<n>:STATistics:CCDF[:STATe] on page 457
```

Highlight Symbols

If enabled, the symbol instants are highlighted as squares in the window for measured and reference signals in time (normal) display, as well as error displays.

Only evaluations that are based on symbols (e.g. constellations or traces, not eye diagrams) support this function.

Remote command:

```
DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe:SYMBol on page 459
```

Display Points/Sym

Defines the number of display points that are displayed per symbol. If more points per symbol are selected than the defined Sample Rate, the additional points are interpolated for the display. The more points are displayed per symbol, the more detailed the trace becomes.

For more information see Chapter 4.7, "Display Points vs Estimation Points per Symbol", on page 139

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Note: If the capture buffer is used as the signal source, the Sample Rate defines the number of displayed points per symbol; the "Display Points/Sym" parameter is not available.

If "Auto" is enabled, the Sample Rate value is used.

Alternatively, select the number of points to be displayed per symbol manually. The available values depend on the source type.

"1" only the symbol time instants are displayed

"2, 4, 8, 16, more points are displayed than symbols

32"

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the number of samples per symbol defined in the signal capture settings are displayed (see "Sample Rate" on page 190)

Remote command:

```
DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:PRATe[:VALue] on page 459
DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:PRATe:AUTO on page 458
```

Oversampling

Defines the sample basis for statistical evaluation. This setting is only available for the result type transformation "Statistics".

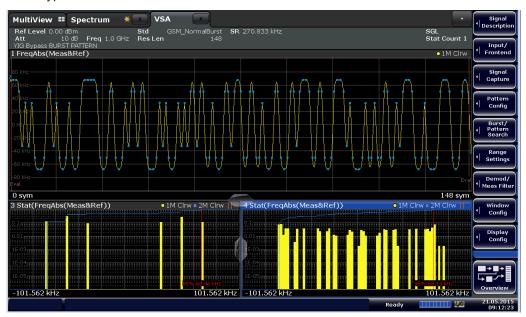


Figure 6-1: Statistics measurement: window 1: measured signal (symbols highlighted); window 3: statistics for symbol instants only; window 4: statistics for all trace points;

"Symbols only" Statistics are calculated for symbol instants only

See window 3 in Figure 6-1.

"Infinite" Statistics are calculated for all trace points (symbol instants and inter-

mediate times)

See window 4 in Figure 6-1.

"Auto" Oversampling is automatically set to "Symbols only" (Statistics are

calculated for symbol instants only).

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Remote command:

CALCulate<n>:STATistics:MODE on page 457

6.6 Analysis in MSRA/MSRT Mode

The data that was captured by the MSRA/MSRT Master can be analyzed in the VSA application.

The analysis settings and functions available in MSRA/MSRT mode are those described for common Signal and Spectrum Analyzer mode.

Analysis line settings

In addition, an analysis line can be positioned. The analysis line is a common time marker for all MSRA/MSRT applications.



To hide or show and position the analysis line, a dialog box is available. To display the "Analysis Line" dialog box, tap the "AL" icon in the toolbar (only available in MSRA/ MSRT mode). The current position of the analysis line is indicated on the icon.



| Position | 244 |
|-----------|-----|
| Show Line | 244 |

Position

Defines the position of the analysis line in the time domain. The position must lie within the measurement time of the multistandard measurement.

Remote command:

```
CALCulate<n>:MSRA:ALINe[:VALue] on page 442
CALCulate<n>:RTMS:ALINe[:VALue] on page 444
```

Show Line

Hides or displays the analysis line in the time-based windows. By default, the line is displayed.

Note: even if the analysis line display is off, the indication whether or not the currently defined line position lies within the analysis interval of the active slave application remains in the window title bars.

Remote command:

```
CALCulate<n>:MSRA:ALINe:SHOW on page 442
CALCulate<n>:RTMS:ALINe:SHOW on page 443
```

7 I/Q Data Import and Export

Baseband signals mostly occur as so-called complex baseband signals, i.e. a signal representation that consists of two channels; the in phase (I) and the quadrature (Q) channel. Such signals are referred to as I/Q signals. The complete modulation information and even distortion that originates from the RF, IF or baseband domains can be analyzed in the I/Q baseband.

Importing and exporting I/Q signals is useful for various applications:

- Generating and saving I/Q signals in an RF or baseband signal generator or in external software tools to analyze them with the R&S FSW later
- Capturing and saving I/Q signals with an RF or baseband signal analyzer to analyze them with the R&S FSW or an external software tool later

For example, you can capture I/Q data using the I/Q Analyzer application, if available, and then analyze that data later using the R&S FSW VSA application.

As opposed to storing trace data, which may be averaged or restricted to peak values, I/Q data is stored as it was captured, without further processing. The data is stored as complex values in 32-bit floating-point format. Multi-channel data is not supported. The I/Q data is stored in a format with the file extension .iq.tar.

For a detailed description see the R&S FSW I/Q Analyzer and I/Q Input User Manual.



Export only in MSRA mode

In MSRA mode, I/Q data can only be exported to other applications; I/Q data cannot be imported to the MSRA Master or any MSRA applications.

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|---|-----------------------------------|-------|
| • | How to Export and Import I/Q Data | .247 |

7.1 Import/Export Functions



Access: "Save"/ "Open" icon in the toolbar > "Import" / "Export"





These functions are only available if no measurement is running.

In particular, if Continuous Sweep/RUN CONT is active, the import/export functions are not available.

For a description of the other functions in the "Save/Recall" menu, see the R&S FSW User Manual.

| Import | | 246 |
|-----------|------|-----|
| L I/Q Imp | oort | 246 |

Import/Export Functions

| Export. | 246 |
|------------------------------|-----|
| L Export Trace to ASCII File | 246 |
| L I/O Export | 246 |



Import

Access: "Save/Recall" > Import



Provides functions to import data.

I/Q Import ← Import

Opens a file selection dialog box to select an import file that contains I/Q data. This function is only available in single sweep mode and only in applications that process I/Q data, such as the I/Q Analyzer or optional applications.

Note that the I/Q data must have a specific format as described in the R&S FSW I/Q Analyzer and I/Q Input User Manual.

I/Q import is not available in MSRA/MSRT mode.

Remote command:

MMEMory:LOAD:IQ:STATe on page 484



Export





Opens a submenu to configure data export.

Export Trace to ASCII File ← 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.

Note that only the trace data in the currently displayed result range of the capture buffer is exported. For the Magnitude Absolute Overview result display, the trace contains a maximum of 25,000 points.

Note: Secure user mode.

In secure user mode, settings that are stored on the instrument are stored to volatile memory, which is restricted to 256 MB. Thus, a "Memory full" error can occur although the hard disk indicates that storage space is still available.

To store data permanently, select an external storage location such as a USB memory device.

For details, see "Protecting Data Using the Secure User Mode" in the "Data Management" section of the R&S FSW User Manual.

Remote command:

MMEMory:STORe<n>:TRACe on page 463

I/Q Export ← Export

Opens a file selection dialog box to define an export file name to which the I/Q data is stored. This function is only available in single sweep mode.

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Note that the I/Q data in the entire capture buffer is exported. For the maximum of 200,000,000 samples, you require several Gigabytes of free space on your storage device!

Note: Storing large amounts of I/Q data (several Gigabytes) can exceed the available (internal) storage space on the R&S FSW. In this case, it can be necessary to use an external storage medium.

Note: Secure user mode.

In secure user mode, settings that are stored on the instrument are stored to volatile memory, which is restricted to 256 MB. Thus, a "Memory full" error can occur although the hard disk indicates that storage space is still available.

To store data permanently, select an external storage location such as a USB memory device.

For details, see "Protecting Data Using the Secure User Mode" in the "Data Management" section of the R&S FSW User Manual.

Remote command:

```
MMEMory:STORe<n>:IQ:STATe on page 484
MMEMory:STORe<n>:IQ:COMMent on page 484
```

7.2 How to Export and Import I/Q Data



I/Q data can only be exported in applications that process I/Q data, such as the I/Q Analyzer or optional applications.

Capturing and exporting I/Q data

- 1. Press the PRESET key.
- 2. Press the MODE key and select the R&S FSW VSA application or any other application that supports I/Q data.
- 3. Configure the data acquisition.
- 4. Press the RUN SINGLE key to perform a single sweep measurement.
- 5. Select the "Save" icon in the toolbar.
- Select the "I/Q Export" softkey.
- 7. In the file selection dialog box, select a storage location and enter a file name.
- 8. Select "Save".

The captured data is stored to a file with the extension .iq.tar.

Importing I/Q data

1. Press the MODE key and select the "I/Q Analyzer" or any other application that supports I/Q data.

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- 2. If necessary, switch to single sweep mode by pressing the RUN SINGLE key.
- 3. Select the "Open" icon in the toolbar.
- 4. Select the "I/Q Import" softkey.
- 5. Select the storage location and the file name with the .iq.tar file extension.
- 6. Select "Open".

The stored data is loaded from the file and displayed in the current application.

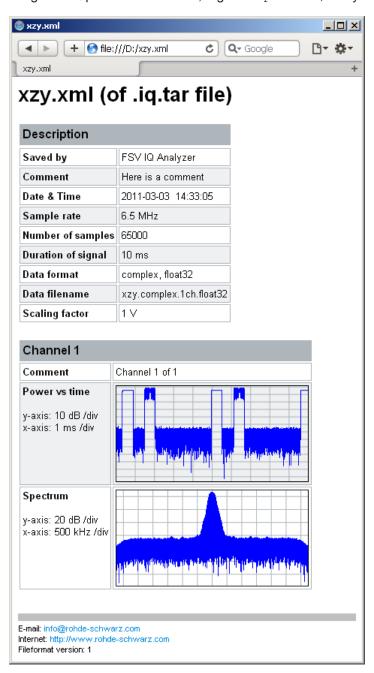
Previewing the I/Q data in a web browser

The iq-tar file format allows you to preview the I/Q data in a web browser.

- 1. Use an archive tool (e.g. WinZip® or PowerArchiver®) to unpack the iq-tar file into a folder.
- 2. Locate the folder using Windows Explorer.
- 3. Open your web browser.

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4. Drag the I/Q parameter XML file, e.g. example.xml, into your web browser.



8 How to Perform Vector Signal Analysis

Using the VSA option you can perform vector signal analysis measurements using predefined standard setting files, or independently of digital standards using user-defined measurement settings. Such settings can be stored for recurrent use.

Thus, configuring VSA measurements requires one of the following tasks:

- Selecting an existing standard settings file and, if necessary, adapting the measurement settings to your specific requirements.
- Configuring the measurement settings and, if necessary, storing the settings in a file.

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|---|---|------|
| | How to Perform Customized VSA Measurements | |
| • | How to Analyze the Measured Data | .262 |

8.1 How to Perform VSA According to Digital Standards

In order to perform vector signal analysis as specified in digital standards, various predefined settings files for common digital standards are provided for use with the VSA option. In addition, you can create your own settings files for user-specific measurements.

For an overview of predefined standards and settings see Chapter B, "Predefined Standards and Settings", on page 506.

This section provides instructions for the following tasks:

- "To perform a measurement according to a standard" on page 250
- "To load predefined settings files" on page 251
- "To store settings as a standard file" on page 251
- "To delete standard files" on page 251
- "To restore standard files" on page 252

To perform a measurement according to a standard

- 1. Press the MODE key and select the "VSA" application.
- 2. Press the MEAS key and select the "Digital Standards" softkey.
- 3. Select the required settings file and then "Load" (see "To load predefined settings files" on page 251).

The instrument is adjusted to the stored settings for the selected standard and a measurement is started immediately.

Press the RUN SINGLE key to stop the continuous measurement mode and start a defined number of measurements.

The measured data is stored in the capture buffer and can be analyzed (see Chapter 8.3, "How to Analyze the Measured Data", on page 262).

To load predefined settings files

- 1. In the "Meas" menu, select the "Digital Standards" softkey.
- 2. In the file selection dialog box, select the standard whose settings you want to load.

To change the path, press the arrow icons at the right end of the "Path" field and select the required folder from the file system.

3. Press the "Load" button.

The dialog box is closed and the instrument is adjusted to the stored settings for the selected standard.

To store settings as a standard file

- 1. Configure the measurement as required (see Chapter 8.2, "How to Perform Customized VSA Measurements", on page 252).
- 2. In the "Meas" menu, select the "Digital Standards" softkey.
- 3. In the "File Name" field, enter the name of the standard for which you want to store settings.

To change the path, press the arrow icons at the right end of the "Path" field and select the required folder from the file system.

- To insert a new folder, select the "New Folder" button and enter a name in the "New Folder" dialog box.
- 4. Press the "Save" button.

The dialog box is closed and the current measurement settings are stored in a standard file.

To delete standard files

- 1. In the "Meas" menu, select the "Digital Standards" softkey.
- In the "Manage VSA Standards" file selection dialog box, select the standard whose settings file you want to delete. Standards predefined by Rohde & Schwarz can also be deleted.
 - To change the path, press the arrow icons at the right end of the "Path" field and select the required folder from the file system.
- 3. Press the "Delete" button.
- 4. Confirm the message to avoid unintentionally deleting a standard.

The standard file is removed from the folder.

To restore standard files

- 1. To restore the predefined standard files, do one of the following:
 - In the "Meas" menu, select the "Digital Standards" softkey.
 The "Manage VSA Standards" file selection dialog box is displayed.
 - In the "Meas" menu, select the "Restore Factory Settings" softkey.
- Select "Restore Standard Files".

The standards predefined by Rohde & Schwarz available at the time of delivery are restored to the Standards folder.

8.2 How to Perform Customized VSA Measurements

In addition to performing vector signal analysis strictly according to specific digital standards, you can configure the analysis settings for customized tasks. The general process for a typical VSA measurement is described here.

- 1. Press the MODE key and select the "VSA" application.
- Select the "Overview" softkey to display the "Overview" for VSA.
- 3. Select the "Signal Description" button and configure the expected signal characteristics.
 - If the input data is largely known in advance, define files with the known data to compare the measured data to (see Chapter 8.2.4, "How to Work With Known Data Files", on page 259). This can improve demodulation significantly.
 - **Note:** Make sure the input signal contains an adaquate number of uncorrelated (random!) bits to ensure correct demodulation.
- 4. Select the "Input/Frontend" button to define the input signal's center frequency, amplitude and other basic settings.
- 5. Select the "Signal Capture" button and define how much and which data to capture:
 - (In MSRA/MSRT mode, define the application data instead, see Chapter 4.10, "VSA in MSRA/MSRT Operating Mode", on page 142).
 - "Capture length": the duration or number of symbols to be captured
 - "Sample rate": how many points are to be captured for each symbol
- Optionally, select the "Trigger" tab and define a trigger for data acquisition, for example an external trigger to start capturing data only when a useful signal is transmitted.
 - (In MSRA/MSRT mode, define a "Capture Offset" instead, see Chapter 4.10, "VSA in MSRA/MSRT Operating Mode", on page 142).
- For bursted signals, select the "Burst/Pattern" button and define the criteria to detect the individual bursts within the input signal (see Chapter 8.2.3, "How to Perform Pattern Searches", on page 255).

- Select the "Cut Result Ranges" button and define which of the captured data is to be demodulated (see Chapter 8.2.1, "How to Define the Result Range", on page 253).
- 9. Select the "Demodulation" button to configure and optimize the synchronization process.
- 10. Select the "Meas filter" button to select a different or user-defined measurement filter to improve the accuracy of the error vector (see Chapter 8.2.2, "How to Select User-Defined Filters", on page 254).
- 11. Select the "Evaluation Range" button to define which part of the demodulated data is to be evaluated and displayed.
- 12. Press the RUN SINGLE key to stop the continuous sweep and start a new sweep with the new configuration.

The measured data is stored in the capture buffer and can be analyzed (see Chapter 8.3, "How to Analyze the Measured Data", on page 262)

8.2.1 How to Define the Result Range

You can define which part of the source signal is analyzed ("Result Range") with reference to the captured data, a detected burst or a detected pattern.

(For details on the functions see Chapter 5.7, "Result Range Configuration", on page 210.)

- 1. In the "Overview", select "Range Settings".
- 2. Select the "Result Range" tab.
- 3. Define the "Result Length", i.e. the number of symbols from the result that are to be analyzed.
 - Note that when you use Known Data files as a reference, the "Result Length" specified here must be identical to the length of the specified symbol sequences in the xml file (<ResultLength> element). See Chapter 4.9, "Known Data Files Dependencies and Restrictions", on page 141.
- 4. Define the "Reference" for the result range, i.e. the source to which the result will be aligned. The reference can be the captured data, a detected burst or a detected pattern.
- Define the "Alignment" of the result range to the reference source, i.e. whether the result starts at the beginning of the reference source, ends with the reference source, or is centered with the reference source.
- 6. Optionally, define an offset of the result range to the reference source, e.g. to ignore the first few symbols of the captured data.

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7. Optionally, define the number of the symbol which marks the beginning of the reference source to change the scaling of the x-axis. This offset is added to the one defined for the signal description.

Example: Defining the result range

In Figure 8-1, a result range will be defined for the first 100 symbols of the capture buffer, starting at the second symbol, which has the symbol number 1 (the capture buffer starts at symbol number 1, the first symbol to be displayed is the second symbol due to the offset: 1+1=2).

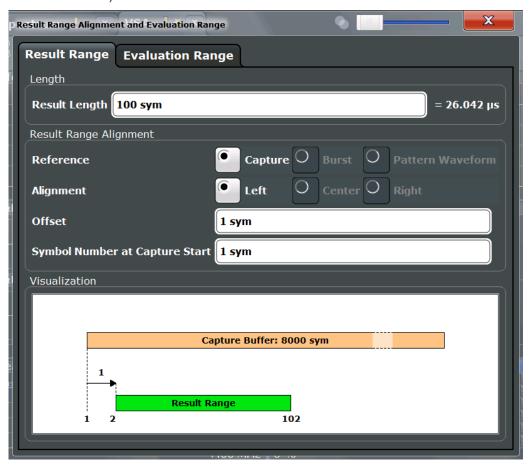


Figure 8-1: Example: Defining the Result Range



The result range is indicated by a green bar along the time axis in capture buffer result displays, see Chapter 4.6, "Measurement Ranges", on page 134.

8.2.2 How to Select User-Defined Filters

The most frequently required measurement and TX filters required for vector signal analysis according to digital standards are provided by the R&S FSW VSA application. However, you can also load user-defined filters.

To load a user measurement filter

- 1. In the "Overview", select the "Meas Filter" button.
- 2. In the "Meas Filter" tab of the "Demodulation & Measurement Filter "dialog box, select "Type": *User*.
- 3. Select "Load User Filter".
- 4. Load your .vaf file from the USB stick.

To load a user transmit (TX) filter

- 1. In the "Overview", select the "Signal Description" button.
- 2. In the "Modulation" tab of the "Signal Description" dialog box, select "Transmit Filter Type": *User*.
- 3. Select "Load User Filter".
- 4. Load your .vaf file from the USB stick.

8.2.3 How to Perform Pattern Searches

To configure a pattern search

- In the "Overview", select "Signal Description".
- 2. Select the "Signal Structure" tab.
- 3. Select the "Burst Signal" signal type.
- 4. Enable the "Pattern" option.
- 5. From the "Name" selection list, select a pattern that is assigned to the currently defined standard.
- If the pattern you require is not available, continue with "To add a predefined pattern to a standard" on page 256 or Chapter 8.2.3.2, "How to Define a New Pattern", on page 257.
- 7. Optionally, select the "Offset" option and enter the number of symbols in the signal to be ignored during the pattern search.
- 8. Close the "Signal Description" dialog box.
- 9. In the "Overview" dialog box, select "Burst / Pattern " and switch to the "Pattern Search" tab.
- 10. Select "On" to enable the search.
 To enable a search only if a pattern is part of the signal description, enable the "Auto" option.

The results of the pattern search with the selected pattern on the current measurement data is displayed in the "Preview" area of the dialog box. Whether a pattern was detected or not is indicated in the "Information" area.

- 11. If necessary, adapt the I/Q correlation threshold. If bursts are not detected, reduce the threshold; if false bursts are detected, increase the threshold.
- 12. Optionally, enable the "Meas only if pattern symbols correct" option. In this case, measurement results are only displayed if a valid pattern has been detected.
- 13. Close the dialog box.

The selected pattern is used for a pattern search in the next measurement.

8.2.3.1 How To Assign Patterns to a Standard

Only patterns that are assigned to the currently selected VSA standard are available for the pattern search.

To add a predefined pattern to a standard

- 1. In the "Overview", select "Signal Description" and switch to the "Signal Structure" tab
- 2. Select "Pattern Config" to display the "Advanced Pattern Settings" dialog box.
- In the list of "All Patterns", select the required pattern.
 If the required pattern is not displayed, see "To change the display for the list of patterns" on page 258.
- 4. Select "Add to Standard".

The selected pattern is inserted in the list of "Standard Patterns".

5. Select the pattern to be used for the pattern search from the list of "Standard Patterns".

To remove a predefined pattern from a standard

- 1. In the "Overview", select "Signal Description" and switch to the "Signal Structure" tab.
- 2. Select "Pattern Config" to display the "Advanced Pattern Settings" dialog box.
- 3. Select the pattern from the list of "Standard Patterns".
- 4. Select "Remove from Standard".

The pattern is removed from the list of "Standard Patterns" and is no longer assigned to the current standard, but is still available for assignment from the list of "All Patterns".

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8.2.3.2 How to Define a New Pattern

- 1. In the "Overview", select "Signal Description" and switch to the "Signal Structure" tab.
- 2. Select "Pattern Config" to display the "Advanced Pattern Settings" dialog box.
- 3. Select the "New" button.

The pattern definition dialog box is displayed.

4. Define the following pattern settings:

| Setting | Description |
|------------------|--|
| Name | Pattern name that will be displayed in selection list |
| Description | Optional description of the pattern which is displayed in the pattern details |
| Modulation order | Number of values each symbol can represent, e.g. 8 for 8-PSK |
| Comment | Optional comment for the pattern, displayed in the pattern details (kept for compatibility with FSQ) |

- 5. Define the format used to define the individual symbols of the pattern.
- 6. Define the symbols of the pattern.
 - a) Select the symbol field you want to define.
 If necessary, add a new symbol field by selecting "Add".
 - b) Enter a value using the keyboard. Depending on the "Modulation Order" <*n*>, the value can be in the range 0 to <*n*>-1.
 - c) Select the next symbol field, or insert a new one, and continue to define the other symbols. To scroll through the fields for long patterns, use the scrollbar beneath the input area. The number beneath the scrollbar at the right end indicates the sequential number of the last symbol field, the number in the center indicates the sequential number of the currently selected symbol field. To remove a symbol field, select it and press "Remove".
- 7. Select "Save" to save the pattern under the specified name. The pattern is stored on the instrument as an xml file named <Name>.xml under
 C:\Program Files (x86)\Rohde-Schwarz\FSW\<version>\vsa\
 Pattern.



If you copy this file to another location, you can restore the pattern at a later time, e.g. after deletion.

New Pattern X TETRA_SA Name Description | Special Continuous Downlink Burst Mod. Order 4 Symbols Format Hex Decimal Binary В C D F Size: 3 1 0 0 3 2 2 1 11 3 1 1 Add Remove 12 16 Comment Save Cancel

Example: Defining a pattern

Figure 8-2: Pattern definition

8.2.3.3 How to Manage Patterns

To change the display for the list of patterns

- 1. In the "Overview", select "Signal Description" and switch to the "Signal Structure" tab.
- 2. Select "Pattern Config" to display the "Advanced Pattern Settings" dialog box.
- To display all available patterns, select "Show All".
 To display all patterns that are compatible to the defined standard, select "Show Compatible".

To display only patterns that contain a specific prefix, enter the "Prefix" in the edit field.

To edit a predefined pattern

1. In the "Overview", select "Signal Description" and switch to the "Signal Structure" tab.

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- 2. Select "Pattern Config" to display the "Advanced Pattern Settings" dialog box.
- 3. Select the pattern from the list of "All Patterns".
- 4. Press "Edit Pattern".
- 5. Change the settings as required as described in Chapter 8.2.3.2, "How to Define a New Pattern", on page 257.

To delete a predefined pattern

- 1. In the "Overview", select "Signal Description" and switch to the "Signal Structure" tab.
- 2. Select "Pattern Config" to display the "Advanced Pattern Settings" dialog box.
- 3. Select the pattern from the list of "All Patterns".
- 4. Press "Delete Pattern".

The pattern is removed from the lists of available and assigned patterns and can no longer be assigned to any standard. Any existing assignments to other standards are removed, as well.

To restore predefined patterns

Default patterns provided by Rohde&Schwarz can be restored.

- 1. Press the MEAS key.
- Select the "Restore Factory Settings" softkey.
- 3. Select the "Restore Pattern Files" softkey.

The patterns as defined by Rohde & Schwarz at the time of delivery are restored.



Restoring user-defined patterns

User-defined patterns can only be restored if you have a copy of the pattern file created during creation. In this case, copy the file named <Patternname>.xml back to C:\Program Files (x86)\Rohde-Schwarz\FSW\<version>/vsa/standards. After a preset or after performing certain operations (e.g. changing the modulation settings) the pattern will be included in the list of "All Patterns" again.

8.2.4 How to Work With Known Data Files

You can load xml files containing the possible sequences to the VSA application and use them to compare the measured data to. In particular, you can use known data for the following functions:

- Fine synchronization during the demodulation process (see Figure 4-49 and "Fine Synchronization" on page 219)
- Calculation of the Bit Error Rate (BER), see Chapter 3.2.1, "Bit Error Rate (BER)", on page 22

8.2.4.1 How to Load Known Data Files

Known Data files are loaded in the "Modulation & Signal Description" settings.

To load an existing Known Data file

- 1. In the "Overview", select "Signal Description".
- 2. Switch to the "Known Data" tab.
- 3. Activate the usage of a Known Data file by enabling the "Known Data" option. This enables the "Load Data File" function.
- Select the "Load Data File" button.
 A file selection dialog box is displayed.
- Select the xml file which contains the possible data sequences of the input signal.
 The file must comply with the syntax described in Chapter E, "Known Data File Syntax Description", on page 518.

The header information of the xml file is displayed in the dialog box.

Once a Known Data file has been loaded, the Bit Error Rate result display becomes available.

If the "Fine Synchronization" setting in the "Demodulation" dialog box is set to "Auto" mode, the known data is also used for synchronization. Otherwise it can be selected manually. Defining a maximum symbol error rate for the known data in reference to the analyzed data avoids using a falsely selected or unsuitable file for synchronization (see also "If SER <" on page 220.

8.2.4.2 How to Create Known Data Files

You must create the Known Data files yourself according to the possible data sequences of the input signal. Use any xml editing tool you like, following the rules described in Chapter E, "Known Data File Syntax Description", on page 518. Before loading the file to the VSA application, make sure the syntax of your file is valid.



Auxiliary tool to create Known Data files

An auxiliary tool to create Known Data files from data that is already available in the R&S FSW VSA application is provided on the instrument free of charge.

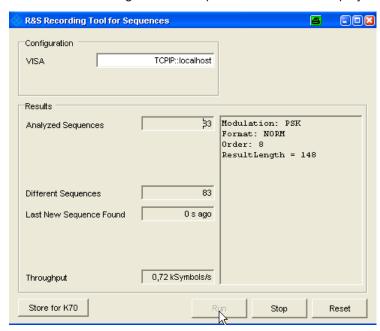
You can copy this tool to a PC and work with it locally, as well.

To create a Known Data file using the recording tool for sequences

- Import or apply input data for which stable demodulation results are available to the VSA application. If necessary, adapt the demodulation settings until the requested results are obtained.
- Start the "R&S Recording Tool for Sequences" from the Windows task bar on the R&S FSW, or execute the file

C:\Program Files (x86)\Rohde-Schwarz\FSW\<version>\
RecordingToolforSequences.EXE on the instrument.

The "R&S Recording Tool for Sequences" window is displayed.



- 3. Define the VISA resource string to connect to the instrument:
 - If the tool is started directly from the instrument: enter TCPIP::localhost (default).
 - If the tool is started from a computer: enter the TCPIP address or name of the computer in the VISA resource string (e.g. TCPIP::123.4.5.6).
- 4. Start a measurement in the R&S FSW VSA application.
- 5. In the tool window, select "Run".

The tool records the demodulated data sequences. The following result information is provided by the tool during recording:

- Analyzed Sequences: number of data sequences analyzed since the tool was started
- Different Sequences: number of unique sequences detected in the measured data
- Last New Sequence Found: time that has passed since the most recent unique sequence was detected
- Throughput: current data processing speed of the tool

Note that while the tool is running, the R&S FSW is set to remote mode, i.e. the manual interface is not available. As soon as the tool is closed, the remote mode is automatically deactivated.

6. When all known possible sequences have been detected, or when a significantly large amount of time has passed so as to assume no more sequences will be detected, stop the tool by selecting "Stop".

- 7. If the results are acceptable, select "Store for K70" to store a valid xml file with the recorded data sequences on the instrument.
 - A file selection dialog box is displayed in which you can select the storage location and file name.
 - You can also add an optional comment to the file.
 - Otherwise, reset the tool to start a new recording, possibly after changing the demodulation settings or input data.
- 8. Close the tool window to return to normal operation of the VSA application.

The created xml file can now be loaded in the VSA application as described in Chapter 8.2.4.1, "How to Load Known Data Files", on page 260.

8.3 How to Analyze the Measured Data

Once the data has been stored in the capture buffer, the results can be analyzed in numerous ways. The following tasks are meant to make you familiar with the most common VSA application features. For a description of all analysis functions and settings see Chapter 6, "Analysis", on page 227.

- 1. Press the MEAS CONFIG key to display the VSA menu.
- Select the "Display Config" button in the "Overview" or the "Display Config" softkey and select the data sources for evaluation that are of interest to you (see Chapter 6.5, "Display and Window Configuration", on page 240).
 - Arrange them on the display to suit your preferences.
 - For each data source, a window with the default result type for that data source is displayed.
- 3. Exit the SmartGrid mode.
- 4. Select the "Window Config" softkey to change the result types and other display settings for the selected window. To change the settings in other windows, select a different window from the "Specifics for" list in the "Window Config" dialog box.
- Select the "Overview" softkey to display the "Overview".
 Enable the "Specifics for" option to access the analysis functions for the selected window.
- 6. Select the "Analysis" button in the "Overview" to configure special analysis settings for the individual result displays, for example:
 - Configure markers and delta markers to determine deviations and offsets within the results, e.g. when comparing errors or peaks.
 - Configure the trace to display the average over a series of measurements. If necessary, increase the "Statistics Count" defined in the "Sweep" menu.
- 7. Press the SWEEP key and select the "Selected Result Rng" softkey to select a specific burst to be evaluated.

The result displays are updated to show the results for the selected burst. **Tip:** You can use a capture buffer display to navigate through the available result ranges, and analyze the individual result ranges in another window. The currently displayed result range is indicated by a blue bar in the capture buffer display.

- 8. Optionally, zoom into a diagram to enlarge an area of the displayed data.
- 9. Optionally, change the display scaling for diagrams (see Chapter 8.3.1, "How to Change the Display Scaling", on page 263).
- 10. Optionally, check the modulation accuracy against specified limits (see Chapter 8.3.3, "How to Check Limits for Modulation Accuracy", on page 267).
- 11. Optionally, export the trace data of the measured signal to a file (see Chapter 8.3.4, "How to Export the Trace Data to a File", on page 268).

8.3.1 How to Change the Display Scaling

Depending on the type of display (time, spectrum or statistics), various scaling functions are available to adapt the result display to the current data.

8.3.1.1 How to Scale Time and Spectrum Diagrams

The range of the displayed y-axis for time and spectral diagrams can be defined in the following ways:

- manually, by defining the range size, reference values and positions
- automatically, according to the current results

To define the scaling manually using a reference point

With this method, you define a reference value and a position at which this value is to be displayed on the y-axis.

- 1. Focus the result window.
- Select "AMPT > YScale Config > Y-Axis Reference Value".
- 3. Enter a reference value for the y-axis in the current unit.
- 4. Select "AMPT > YScale Config > Y-Axis Reference Position".
- 5. Enter the position at which this value is to be displayed on the y-axis. The position is a percentage of the entire length, where 100 % refers to the top edge.
- 6. Select "AMPT > YScale Config > Y-Axis Range".

Example:

If you want the to analyze errors greater than 95%, you can define the y-axis range as 5 % and position the y-axis to start at 95%. To do so, enter the reference value 95 % and the reference position 0%.

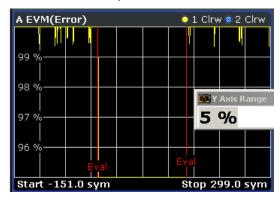


Figure 8-3: Defining the y-axis scaling using a reference point

To define the scaling automatically

- 1. Focus the result window.
- 2. Select "AMPT > Y-Axis Auto Scale".

The y-axis is adapted to display the current results optimally (only once, not dynamically).

8.3.1.2 How to Scale Statistics Diagrams

Statistic diagrams show the distribution (i.e. probabilities of occurrence) of the values as a set of bars. You can define the number of bars to be displayed, i.e. the granularity of classifications. Additionally, you can specify whether absolute or percentage values are displayed. For statistics measurements, both the x-axis and the y-axis can be scaled to optimize the display.

The range of the displayed x-axis for statistics diagrams can be defined in the following ways:

- manually, by defining reference values and positions
- automatically, according to the current results

The range of the displayed y-axis can be defined in the following ways:

- manually, by defining the minimum and maximum values to be displayed
- automatically, according to the current results

After changing the scaling you can restore the default settings.

To define the number of bars

- 1. Focus the result window.
- 2. Select "AMPT > XScale Config > X-Axis Quantize".

3. Enter the number of bars to be displayed.

The diagram is adapted to display the specified number of bars.

To define the x-axis scaling manually using a reference point and divisions

With this method, you define a reference value on the x-axis to be displayed at the "Ref Position" of the y-axis. (The reference value is determined internally according to the displayed data and cannot be changed. The beginning of the diagram is at the position 0%, the end is at 100%.) Additionally, you define the range to be displayed in each of the 10 divisions of the display, which determines the total range to be displayed on the x-axis.

- 1. Focus the result window.
- 2. Select "AMPT > Scale Config > Reference Value".
- 3. Enter a reference value on the x axis in the current unit.
- Define the range to be displayed per division (total range/10).
 The x-axis is adapted so that it displays the defined range, with the reference value at the specified position.

Example:

If you want to analyze the probabilities of occurrence for errors greater than 95 %, enter the reference value 95 %.

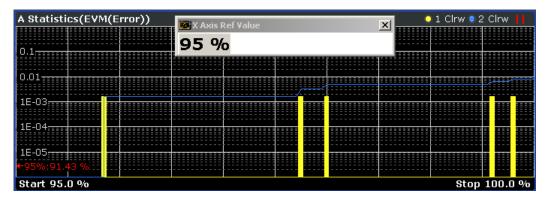


Figure 8-4: Defining the x-axis scaling using a reference point

To define the x-axis scaling automatically

- 1. Focus the result window.
- Select "AMPT > XScale Config > Auto Scale".

The x-axis is adapted to display the current results optimally (only once, not dynamically).

To define the y-axis range manually

With this method, you define the upper and lower limits of the displayed probability range. Values on the y-axis are normalized which means that the maximum value is 1.0. If the y-axis has logarithmic scale, the distance between max and min value must be at least one decade.

- 1. Focus the result window.
- 2. Select "AMPT > YScale Config > Y-Axis Min Value".
- 3. Enter the lower limit in the current unit.
- Select "AMPT > YScale Config > Y-Axis Max Value".
- 5. Enter the upper limit in the current unit.

The y-axis is adapted to display the specified range. Probabilities of occurrence located outside the display area are applied to the bars at the left or right borders of the display.

8.3.2 How to Measure the Size of an Eye

Display lines are available for eye diagrams, which allow you to determine the size of the eye.

- 1. Configure a window with "Meas & Ref" as the "Source".
- 2. Select the "Window Config" softkey for the window and select an eye diagram as the result type.
- 3. Select LINES > "Vertical Line Absolute".
- 4. Move the line to the left edge of the eye.
- 5. Select LINES > "Vertical Line Rel".
- 6. Move the line to the right edge of the eye.

The relative position of the line is indicated in the diagram, which corresponds to the width of the eye (see Figure 8-5).

- 7. Select LINES > "Horizontal Line Absolute".
- 8. Move the line to the top of the eye.
- 9. Select LINES > "Horizontal Line Rel".
- 10. Move the line to the bottom of the eye.

The relative position of the line is indicated in the diagram, which corresponds to the height of the eye (see Figure 8-5).

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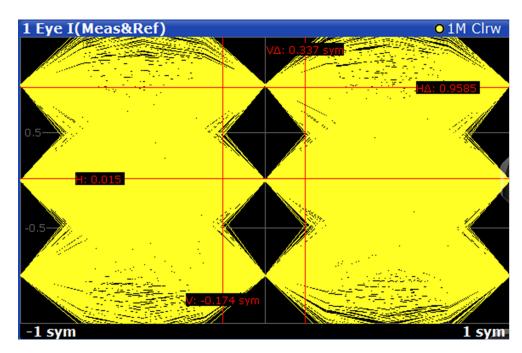


Figure 8-5: Size of an eye, calculated using display lines

8.3.3 How to Check Limits for Modulation Accuracy

The results of a modulation accuracy measurement can be checked for violation of defined limits automatically. If limit check is activated and the measured values exceed the limits, those values are indicated in red in the result summary table. If limit check is activated and no values exceed the limits, the checked values are indicated in green.

| B Result Summary | | | | | | | |
|------------------|---------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-------------|-----------|--------|
| | | Current | Mean | Peak | StdDev | 95%ile | Unit |
| *EVM | RMS | 100.00* | 100.00 | 100.00 | 0.00 | 100.00 | 96 |
| | Peak | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 | 0.00 | 100.00 | 96 |
| Phase Error | RMS | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | deg |
| | Peak | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | deg |
| Carrier Frequenc | y Error | -0.00 | -0.00 | -0.00 | 0.00 | -0.00 | Hz |
| Rho | | 1.000 000 | 1.000 000 | 1.000 000 | 0.000 000 | 1.000 000 | |
| IQ Offset | | | | | | | dB |
| Gain Imbalance | | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | -193.01 | 0.00 | dB |
| Quadrature Error | | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | deg |
| Amplitude Droop | | 0.000 000 | 0.000 000 | 0.000 000 | -193.010300 | 0.000 000 | dB/sym |
| Power | | -200.00 | -200.00 | -200.00 | -200.00 | -200.00 | dBm |

For details on the limit check functions and settings see Chapter 6.4.2, "Modulation Accuracy Limit Lines", on page 237.

To define a limit check

- 1. Configure a window with "Modulation Accuracy" as the "Source" (see Chapter 6.5, "Display and Window Configuration", on page 240).
- 2. Press the LINES key.
- 3. Press the "ModAcc Limits Config" softkey in the "Limits" menu.

- 4. In the "Current" tab, define limits that the current value should not exceed for any or all of the result types.
 - Note: the limits for the current value are automatically also defined for the peak value and vice versa. However, the limit check can be enabled individually for current or peak values.
- 5. Enable the "Check" option for each result type to be included in the limit check.
- 6. If necessary, define limits and enable the limit check for the mean values of the different result types on the "Mean" tab.
- 7. If necessary, enable the limit check for the peak values of the different result types on the "Peak" tab.
- 8. To reset the limits to their default values, press "Set to Default".
- 9. Enable the "Limit Checking On" option, or press the "ModAcc Limits On" softkey in the "Limits" menu.

The limit check is performed immediately on the current modulation accuracy measurement results and for all subsequent measurements until it is disabled. The results of the limit check are indicated by red or green values in the result summary.

8.3.4 How to Export the Trace Data to a File

The measured data can be stored to an ASCII file, either as raw data (directly from the capture buffer) or as displayed in the diagrams (evaluated trace data). Optionally, a header can be included with additional information on the used measurement settings.

- 1. Press the TRACE key and select the "Trace Export Config" softkey.
- Define which type of data to export (raw or trace). By default, trace data is exported.
- 3. Optionally, enable the header information to be included.
- To export the traces in all windows, select "Export Trace to ASCII File for all Windows".
 - To export the traces only for **the currently selected window**, select "Export Trace to ASCII File for Specific Window". To export the data from another window, select it from the "Specifics for" list, then export again.
 - In either case, all traces of the selected window(s) are exported.
- 5. Define a file name and storage location and select "OK".

The data is stored in a file and can be analyzed in an external application.

Connecting the Transmitter and Analyzer

9 Measurement Examples

Some sample measurements for the digital GSM and EDGE standards provide a quick introduction to typical vector analyzer measurements. The individual measurements are in logical order and are meant to familiarize you gradually with the measurements required of general vector signal analysis.

The following equipment is required in addition to the R&S FSW with option R&S FSW-K70:

- 1 test transmitter (GSM-compatible for Measurement 2), preferably R&S SMW200A (1412.0000.02), with the digital standard option GSM/EDGE (order number 1413.3684.02)
- 1 RF cable with 2 male N connectors
- 2 power cables

Transmitter operation is only described as far as required for performing the measurements. For more details on the measurements, refer to the test transmitter documentation.

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In order to perform measurements with the R&S FSW-K70, you require a test transmitter to emulate a DUT. For Measurement Example 2: Burst GSM EDGE Signals, the test transmitter needs to be GSM-compatible.

Connect the RF output of the R&S SMW200A with the RF input of the R&S FSW.

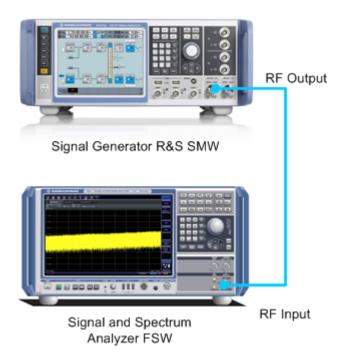


Figure 9-1: Connection to a test transmitter (for example R&S SMW200A)

9.2 Measurement Example 1: Continuous QPSK Signal

In this measurement example a continuous QPSK (Quadrature Phase Shift Keying) signal will be measured and evaluated. QPSK is used in several standards such as DVB-S2, APCO25, WCDMA, CDMA2000, etc. For the description (characterization) of a continuous QPSK signal, the following parameters are the most important:

- Carrier Frequency
- Level
- Symbol Rate
- Transmit Filter

9.2.1 Transmitter Settings

This section summarizes the necessary transmitter settings. It contains a list of the parameters and step-by-step instructions for the R&S SMW200A. If you are interested in a more detailed description or background information, refer to the user manual of the R&S SMW200A, which can be downloaded from the Rohde&Schwarz website: http://www.rohde-schwarz.com/downloads/manuals/smw200A.html.

| Frequency | 1 GHz |
|-----------|-------|
| Level | 0 dBm |

| Modulation | QPSK |
|-------------|---------------------------------------|
| Symbol Rate | 1 Msym/s |
| Filter | Root Raised Cosine with Roll-Off 0.35 |

To define the settings for the R&S SMW200A

- 1. Press the PRESET key to start from a defined state.
- 2. Press the FREQ key and enter 1 GHz.
- 3. Press the LEVEL key and enter 0 dBm.
- 4. Press the DIAGRAM key.
- 5. Select the "Baseband A" block.
- 6. Select "Custom Digital Mod...".
- 7. In the "General" tab, define the following settings:

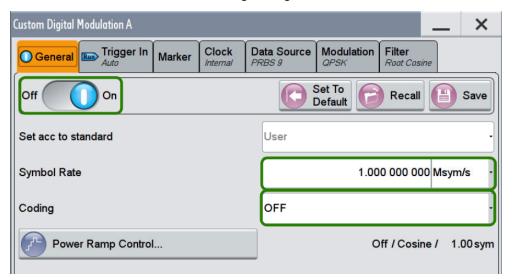


Figure 9-2: R&S SMW200A: Custom Digital Modulation Dialog

- a) Toggle the "State" to "On".
- b) Enter the "Symbol Rate": 1 MHz.
- c) Set the "Coding" to "Off".
- 8. In the "Modulation" tab, select "Modulation Type": "PSK" > "QPSK".
- 9. In the "Filter" tab, select the "Filter": "Root Cosine".
- 10. Press the RF ON/OFF key to switch the RF transmission on.

9.2.2 Analyzer Settings

This section helps you get your first valid measurement. It starts with step-by-step instructions and continues with a more detailed description of further functionality.

Measurement Example 1: Continuous QPSK Signal

| Frequency | 1 GHz |
|-------------|---------------------------------------|
| Ref Level | 4 dBm |
| Modulation | QPSK |
| Symbol Rate | 1 MHz |
| Tx Filter | Root Raised Cosine with Alpha BT 0.35 |

To define the settings on the R&S FSW

- 1. Press the PRESET key to start from a defined state.
- 2. Press the FREQ key and enter 1 GHz.
- 3. Press the AMPT key, and enter 4 dBm as the reference level. This corresponds approximately to the peak envelope power of the signal.
- 4. Start the VSA application by pressing the MODE key and then selecting "VSA".
- 5. Select the "Overview" softkey to display the "Overview" for VSA.
- 6. Select the "Signal Description" button and configure the expected signal characteristics.
 - a) In the "Modulation Settings" section, ensure that the "Type" is "PSK" and that the "Order" is "QPSK". The "Mapping" defines the mapping of the bits to the QPSK symbols. It is relevant if you are interested in a bit stream measurement but does not affect the other measurement results. Hence, you do not need to change it here.
 - b) Enter the "Symbol Rate" 1 MHz.

c) In the "Transmit Filter" section, select "RRC" as "Type" and enter the "Alpha/BT" value 0.35. In the preview area of the dialog you should then see a non-distorted QPSK constellation diagram, as shown in Figure 9-3.



Figure 9-3: QPSK signal with RRC transmit filter

7. Close all open dialog boxes. By default, four measurement windows showing different measurement results are displayed.

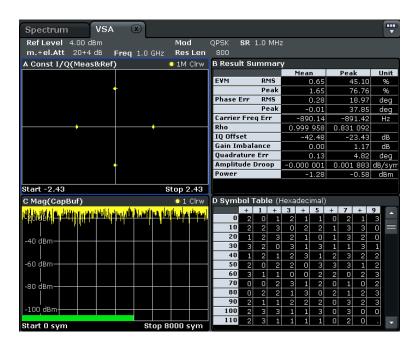


Figure 9-4: Default window layout for Measurement Example 1

9.2.3 Changing the Display Configuration

- 1. To change the window layout, i.e. the display configuration, do one of the following:
 - Select the "Display Config" softkey in the main VSA menu.
 - Select the "Display Configuration" block in the "Overview" (only if "Specifics for" option is disabled).
 - Ħ

Select the "SmartGrid" icon from the toolbar.

- 2. Replace window 1 by an eye diagram of the inphase component of the measurement signal.
 - a) Select the "Meas & Ref" data source from the SmartGrid selection bar and drag it over window 1.
 - b) **X**

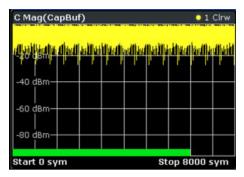
Close the SmartGrid mode by selecting the "Close" icon at the top right corner of the toolbar.

- c) Select the "Window Config" softkey.
- d) Select the result type: "Eye Diagram Real (I)".
- 3. Close the dialog to take a look at your new display configuration.

9.2.4 Navigating Through the Capture Buffer

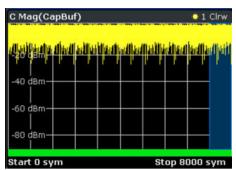
Using the R&S FSW VSA application you can navigate through the capture buffer, i.e. control which part of the capture buffer is currently analyzed. (Note: In the Spectrum application, this functionality is referred to as "gating".)

1. In the measurement display, take a closer look at window 3 (magnitude of the capture buffer). The green bar shows how far the current measurement has already proceeded, i.e. how much of the signal has been evaluated.

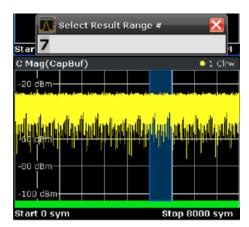


2. Press the RUN SINGLE key.

Since the signal you are currently analyzing is continuous (as opposed to containing bursts), the entire capture buffer is analyzed, and hence will be marked with the green bar. The last evaluated result range (i.e. the currently evaluated result range at the time the measurement stopped) is highlighted in blue.



3. To go back to a previously evaluated result range within the same capture buffer, press the SWEEP key and then the "Select Result Rng" softkey. By selecting different result ranges (for example using the rotary knob), you can move the highlighted blue area through the capture buffer and choose your currently demodulated result range.



The results for this range are displayed in the "Current" column in the Result Summary, in the eye diagram and in the symbol table.

Note: Generally, all Clear/Write traces and the are affected by this selection.

9.2.5 Averaging Several Evaluations

By default, all measurement windows are displayed with a single trace, which is the Clear/Write trace. This trace displays the result of the current evaluation, i.e. the high-lighted blue area from the example in Chapter 9.2.4, "Navigating Through the Capture Buffer", on page 275. However, for most real-world measurement tasks, you need to obtain a result that is averaged over a certain number of evaluations, or a worst-case result of a certain number of evaluations. This section explains how to achieve this.

To evaluate EVM vs. Time

- Configure window 1 such that it displays the EVM versus time measurement (Source: "Error Vector", Result Type: "EVM", see Chapter 9.2.3, "Changing the Display Configuration", on page 274). Select the window to set the focus on it.
- 2. To display the trace averaged over several measurements, or the maximum hold trace over several measurements, press the TRACE key.
- 3. Add further traces by pressing the TRACE key and then either using the "Trace 2/3..." or the "Trace Config" softkeys.
 - Set the second trace to "Average" and the third trace to "Max Hold". Note that the configured traces appear in the window title.

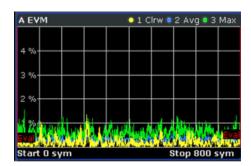


Figure 9-5: Several traces in one window

4. Press RUN SINGLE again.

The current capture buffer is evaluated for this trace setup. In the channel information bar you can see the number of completed evaluations ("Stat Count").



5. To change the number of evaluations, press the SWEEP key and select "Statistic Count Config".

Select "Manual" and enter the desired number of evaluations, e.g. 12. When you press RUN SINGLE, the VSA application will capture I/Q data until 12 evaluations are completed.

9.3 Measurement Example 2: Burst GSM EDGE Signals

In this measurement example a bursted GSM EDGE signal will be measured and evaluated. The goal of this section is to familiarize you with the VSA application features that are relevant specifically for the analysis of bursted signals.

9.3.1 Transmitter Settings

This section summarizes the necessary transmitter settings. It contains a list of the parameters and step-by-step instructions for the R&S SMW200A. If you are interested in a more detailed description or background information, refer to the user manual of the R&S SMW200A, which can be downloaded from the Rohde & Schwarz website: http://www.rohde-schwarz.com/downloads/manuals/smw200A.html.

| Frequency | 1 GHz |
|-----------|--|
| Level | 0 dBm |
| Standard | GSM EDGE Burst with normal symbol rate |

To define the settings for the R&S SMW200A

- 1. Press the PRESET key to start from a defined state.
- 2. Press the FREQ key and enter 1 GHz.
- 3. Press the LEVEL key and enter 0 dBm.
- 4. To define the standard:
 - a) Select the "Baseband A" block.
 - b) Under "TSMA standards", select "GSM/EDGE...".
- 5. To configure the burst type in the "GSM/EDGE A" dialog box:
 - a) In the "Framed (Single) Configuration" tab, highlight the first slot in the frame diagram.

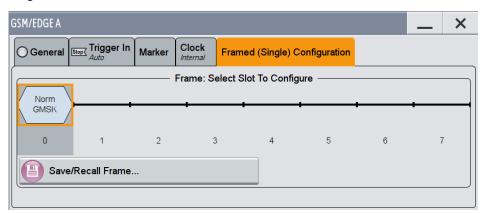
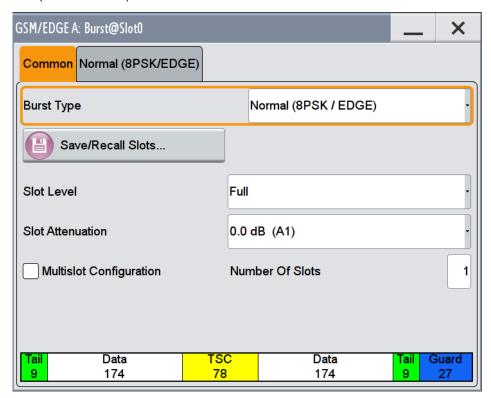


Figure 9-6: R&S SMW200A: GSM/EDGE frame configuration settings

b) In the "GSM/EDGE A: Burst@Slot0" dialog box, select the "Burst Type": "Normal (8PSK / EDGE)".



- c) Close the "GSM/EDGE: Burst@Slot0" dialog box.
- 6. In the "General" tab, toggle the "State" to "On" to switch the modulation on.
- 7. Close the "GSM/EDGE A" dialog box.
- 8. Select the "RF A" signal output to switch the RF transmission on.

9.3.2 Analyzer Settings

This section helps you get your first valid measurement with a bursted signal. It starts with step-by-step instructions and continues with a more detailed description of further functionality.

| Frequency | 1 GHz |
|-----------|---------------|
| Ref Level | 4 dBm |
| Standard | GSM 8PSK EDGE |

To define the settings on the R&S FSW

- 1. Press the PRESET key to start from a defined state.
- 2. Press the FREQ key and enter 1 GHz.

- 3. Press the AMPT key, and enter 4 dBm as the reference level. This corresponds approximately to the peak envelope power of the signal.
- 4. Start the VSA application by pressing the MODE key and then selecting "VSA".
- 5. Select the "Overview" softkey to display the "Overview" for VSA.
- 6. Press the MEAS key, then select the "Digital Standards" softkey.
- 7. From the file selection list, select the GSM folder and then the file EDGE_8PSK. Select "Load".

Predefined settings corresponding to the selected standard are loaded. The VSA application should show good measurement results.

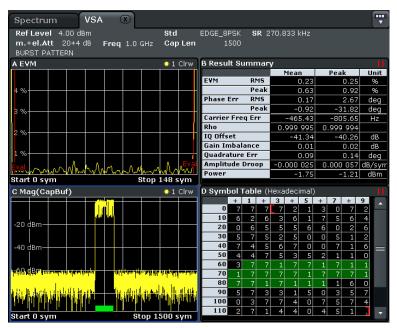


Figure 9-7: Default display configuration for GSM 8PSK EDGE

- 8. In window 3, you see the currently evaluated burst marked with a green bar. To include more bursts in the display you need to increase the capture length.
 - a) Press the MEAS CONFIG key and then the "Overview" softkey.
 - b) Select "Signal Capture".
 - c) Increase the "Capture Length", e.g. to 10000 symbols.

In the preview area of the dialog box you see that more bursts are now contained in the capture buffer. They are all marked with a green bar, meaning that they are all evaluated.



Figure 9-8: Preview of capture buffer

9.3.3 Navigating Through the Capture Buffer

This example describes how to navigate through the capture buffer for a continuous signal. This navigation feature is especially important for bursted signals. Therefore, we provide a further navigation example for the GSM EDGE signal.

- 1. In order to see more details in the capture buffer, close window 4.
 - a) Press the "Display Config" softkey, or the "Display Configuration" button in the "Overview".
 - b) Select the "Delete" icon for window 4.
 - c) X

Close the SmartGrid mode by selecting the "Close" icon at the top right corner of the toolbar.

- 2. Press the RUN SINGLE key.
- 3. In the "EVM vs. Time" display (window 1), add a maximum hold trace by pressing the TRACE key and then selecting the "Trace Config" softkey (see Chapter 9.2.5, "Averaging Several Evaluations", on page 276).
- 4. Re-evaluate the whole capture buffer by pressing the SWEEP key and then the "Refresh" softkey.
- 5. Use the "Select Result Rng" softkey to navigate through your capture buffer. Thus, you can determine which peak was caused by which burst.

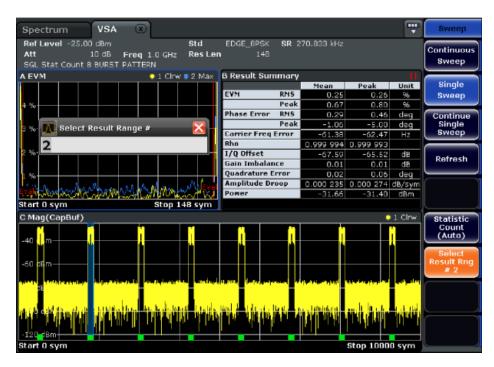


Figure 9-9: Navigation through the capture buffer

9.3.4 Evaluating the Rising and Falling Edges

The "Result Length" is the number of symbols that are to be demodulated and analyzed together. In most common applications, only the parts of the capture buffer containing the bursts need to be analyzed. Hence, for bursted signals the "Result Length" usually coincides with the burst length. However, there are certain scenarios where the rising and falling edge of a burst are also of interest, e.g. checking the power ramping of the device under test. For this measurement task, it is useful to choose a "Result Length" that exceeds the burst length.

- In order to include the rising and falling edges of the bursts in the EVM vs Time display (window 1), you need to increase the "Result Length".
 In the "Overview", select "Cut Result Range" and increase the "Result Length" to 200 symbols.
- To evaluate the rising and falling edges further, display the absolute magnitude values of the measured signal in window 4 (Source: "Meas&Ref Signal", Result type: "Magnitude Absolute", see Chapter 9.2.3, "Changing the Display Configuration", on page 274).

3. Press RUN SINGLE.

The rising and falling edges of the burst in the selected result range are displayed in window 4. You could now add an average trace to evaluate the rising and falling edges further.

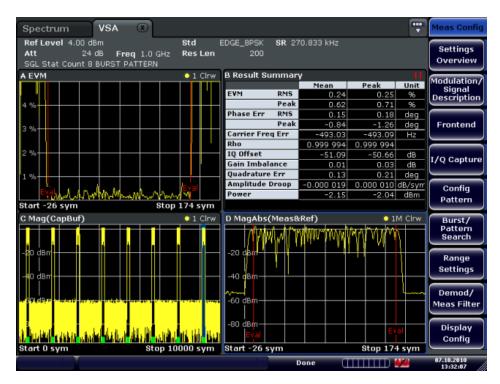


Figure 9-10: Result range that exceeds the burst length

9.3.5 Setting the Evaluation Range

In some scenarios, such as in Evaluating the Rising and Falling Edges, the result range contains symbols that are not supposed to be considered for the EVM or other calculated parameters that are displayed in the Result Summary. Thus, you would not include them in the evaluation range.

To change the evaluated data

- 1. Start from the configuration described in Chapter 9.3.4, "Evaluating the Rising and Falling Edges", on page 282.
- Display the I/Q constellation diagram of the signal in window 1(Source: "Meas&Ref Signal", Result type: "Constellation I/Q", see Chapter 9.2.3, "Changing the Display Configuration", on page 274).

A clear 8PSK constellation is displayed.

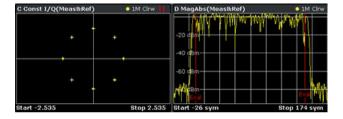


Figure 9-11: Evaluation lines properly adjusted

- 3. In order to understand the effect of an incorrectly set evaluation range, change the evaluation range to include the entire result range.
 - a) In the "Overview", select "Evaluation Range".
 - b) Enable the "Entire Result Range" option.

The displayed constellation diagram is no longer clear, it contains additional points. This is due to the fact that the constellation diagram now displays symbol instants that are beyond the burst.

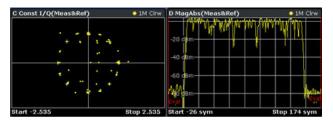


Figure 9-12: Evaluation lines not properly adjusted



All measurement windows that consider the evaluation range are marked with two small red lines in the title bar.

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9.3.6 Comparing the Measurement Signal to the Reference Signal

You have seen that it is possible to add different traces such as maximum hold or average to each window. When evaluating the measurement signal it is also possible to display the ideal reference signal as an additional trace. This can be a significant help when troubleshooting, since it allows for an immediate comparison.

- 1. Start from the configuration described in Chapter 9.3.4, "Evaluating the Rising and Falling Edges", on page 282.
- 2. Select window 4 to set the focus on it.
- 3. Press the TRACE key and then the "Trace 2" softkey.
- Select "Clear Write" as the "Trace Mode" and "Evaluation: Ref". This adds a second trace to your result display. This trace is the ideal reference signal that can now be compared to the measurement signal (see Figure 9-13).

5. To view the traces in more detail, enlarge the window using the "Split/Maximize" key ([13]), and zoom into the display using the [13] icon in the toolbar (see the dotted rectangle in Figure 9-13).

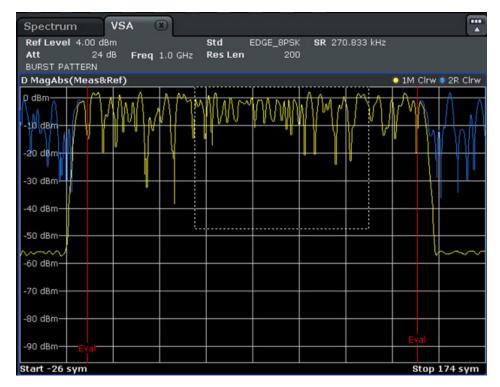


Figure 9-13: Zooming

Now you can compare the measured and the ideal reference signal.

Flow Chart for Troubleshooting

10 Optimizing and Troubleshooting the Measurement

If the results do not meet your expectations, the following tips may help you optimize or troubleshoot the measurement.

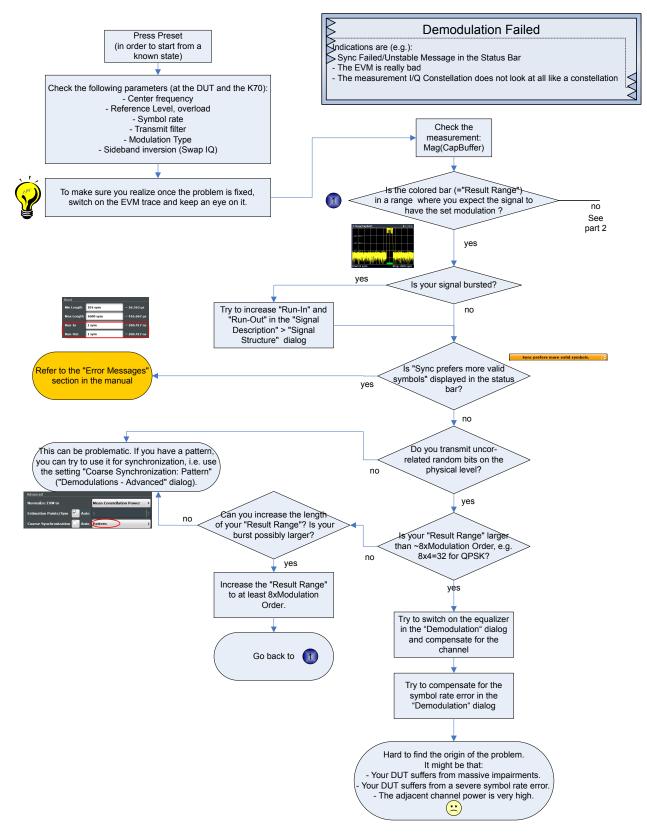
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| | Frequently Asked Questions | |
| | Obtaining Technical Support | |

10.1 Flow Chart for Troubleshooting

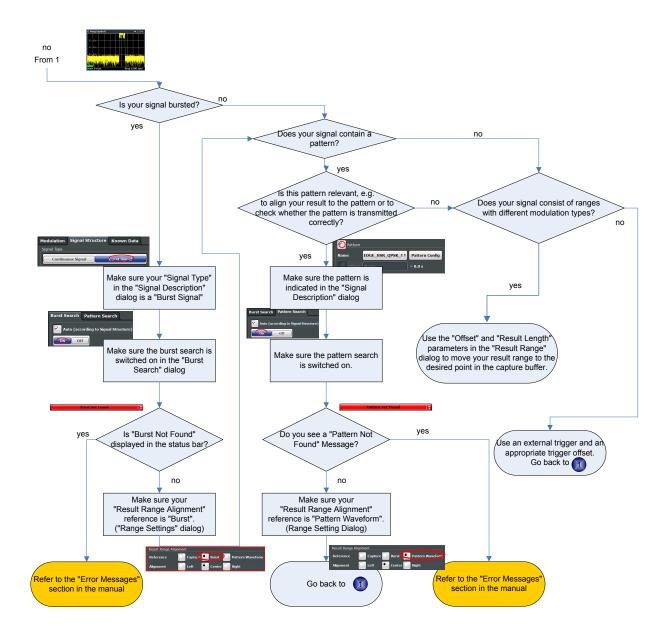
If you experience a concrete measurement problem, you might want to try solving it with the help of the flow chart.

Flow Chart for Troubleshooting

Troubleshooting Overview



Explanation of Error Messages



10.2 Explanation of Error Messages

The following section describes error messages and possible causes.

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| Message: Pattern Not Found | 291 |
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| Message: Sync failed. Check for all zero signal | 293 |
| Message: Pattern Search On, But No Pattern Selected | 294 |
| Message: Pattern Not (Entirely) Within Result Range | 294 |
| Message: Short Pattern: Pattern Search Might Fail | 294 |
| Message: Sync Prefers More Valid Symbols | 295 |
| Message: Sync Prefers Longer Pattern | 296 |
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| Message: Result Ranges Overlap | 297 |
|---|-----|
| Message: Symbol rate exceeds usable I/Q bandwidth | |
| Message: Data Sequences have Incorrect # Symbols | |

Message: Burst Not Found

The "Burst Not Found" error message can have several causes:

Burst search is active, but the signal is not bursted

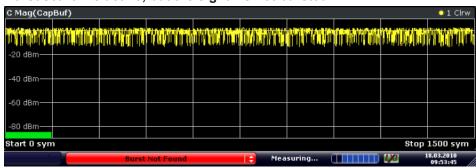


Figure 10-1: Example for active burst search with continuous signal

Solution: Select "Continuous Signal" as the signal type.

For more information, see

"Signal Type" on page 156.

Signal is bursted, but bursts have not been captured completely

The burst search can only find bursts that start and end within the capture buffer. It ignores bursts that are cut off.

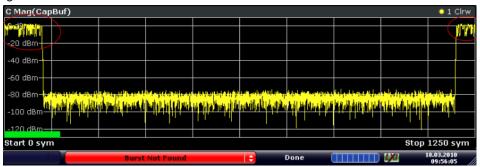


Figure 10-2: Example for incomplete burst capture

Solution: Change the trigger settings and/or enlarge the capture length. For more information, see

- Chapter 5.5, "Signal Capture", on page 188
- The current measurement is being performed on a burst that has not been captured completely.

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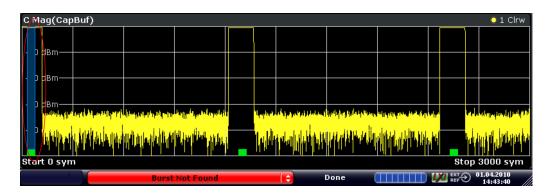


Figure 10-3: Example for measurement on incomplete burst capture

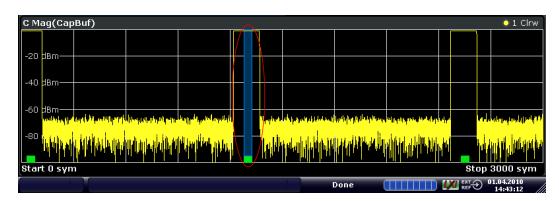


Figure 10-4: Example for measurement on complete burst capture

Solution:

Change the trigger settings or increase the result length.

Note, however, that in this case, the results are actually correct and the message can be ignored.

The settings do not match the signal

In order to allow you to select certain bursts, the burst search only searches for bursts that have a length between "Min Length" and "Max Length" (plus a tolerance that you can set in the "Burst Search" Dialog). In case the burst is, e.g. shorter than the "Burst Min Length", the burst search fails.

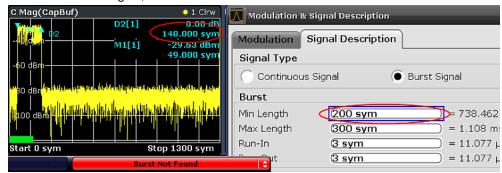


Figure 10-5: Example for a failed burst search due to a burst that is too short

Solution: try one of the following:

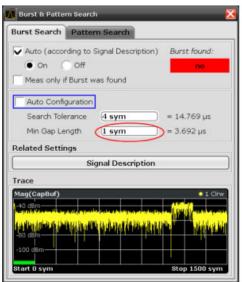
- Switch on the Magnitude (Capture Buffer) result display. Move a marker to the start of the burst. Move a delta marker to the end of the burst and compare the burst length to the settings in the "Signal Description" dialog.
- Increase the search tolerance in the "Burst Search" dialog. Keep an eye on the green/red field. If the burst search succeeds, you can see the length of the found bursts.
- Set the minimum burst length to 50 and the maximum burst length to 5000.

For more information, see:

- "Burst Settings" on page 156
- "Burst Configuration" on page 203

The signal is highly distorted and/or has modulation noise

One possibility to enhance the robustness of the burst search is to increase the minimum gap length. If the bursts within your capture buffer are not closely spaced, it makes sense to increase the value of this parameter.



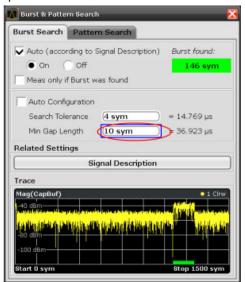


Figure 10-6: Example for adjusting the minimum gap length

For more information, see "Min Gap Length" on page 203

 The pattern search is switched on, fails and the alignment is with reference to the pattern.

In case the pattern search is switched on and the reference for the alignment is the pattern (and not the burst), a non-detected pattern causes the result range to be positioned at the beginning of the capture buffer. Hence, if the burst does not start right at the beginning of the capture buffer, you will see a "Burst Not Found" Message.

Solution:

- Refer to "Message: Pattern Not Found" on page 291
- Switch the pattern search off.
- Choose "Burst" as the reference for the result range alignment.

Message: Pattern Not Found

The "Pattern Not Found" error message can have several causes:

The burst search has failed

If burst and pattern search are active, the application looks for patterns only within the found bursts. Hence, in case the burst search fails, the pattern search will also fail.

Solution: Try one of the following:

- Make sure the burst search is successful.
- Deactivate the burst search but keep the pattern search active.

For more information, see

"Message: Burst Not Found" on page 289
 Chapter 5.6.1, "Burst Search", on page 201

• The offset of the pattern within the burst is incorrectly set

It is possible to set a pattern offset to speed up the pattern search. The offset of the pattern would be the offset of the pattern start with respect to the start of the useful part of the burst. However, if the entered offset is not correct (within about 4 symbols of tolerance), the pattern will not be found.

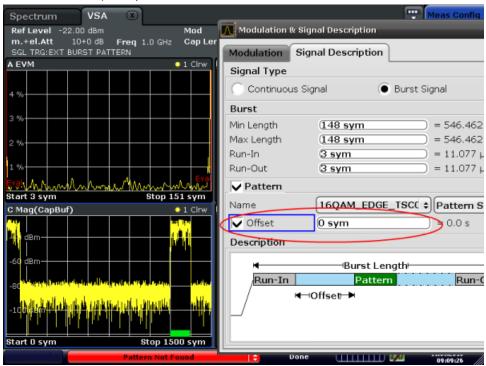


Figure 10-7: GSM EDGE burst; Pattern is actually located in the middle of the burst. The correct value for "Offset" here would be 58.

Solution: Try one of the following:

- Remove the offset ('unknown').
- Enter the correct offset (within about 4 symbols of tolerance).

For more information, see

- "Offset" on page 157
- The specified pattern does not coincide with the pattern in your signal:
 In the R&S FSQ-K70 it is possible to search for multiple patterns at the same time.

 For example, in a GSM measurement, the capture buffer can be checked for all TSCs simultaneously. This is not possible in the R&S FSW-K70.
 Solution:

Make sure that the correct pattern is specified in the "Signal Description" dialog.

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For more information, see

Chapter 5.3, "Signal Description", on page 151

Message: Result Alignment Failed

The result range alignment is not possible for the particular capture buffer. The result range needs I/Q data that has not been captured.

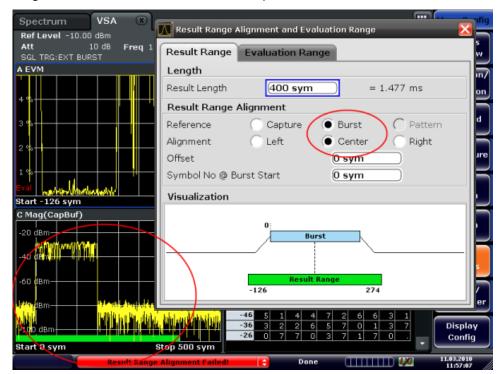


Figure 10-8: Example for failed alignment

In this screenshot, the alignment of the long result range to the burst center is not possible because there are not enough samples in the capture buffer before the burst starts. In this scenario, the trigger settings should be changed such that the burst is in the middle of the capture buffer.

Solution: Change the trigger settings and/or enlarge the capture length.

For more information, see:

Chapter 5.5, "Signal Capture", on page 188

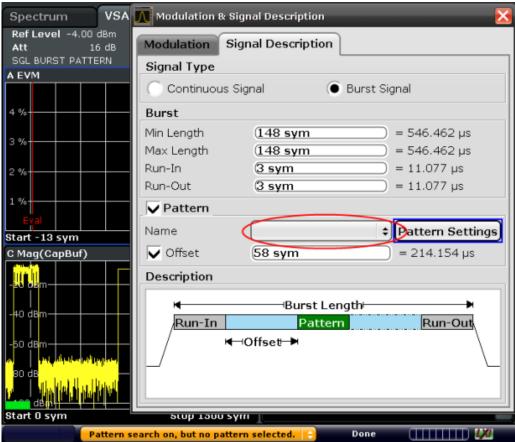
Message: Sync failed. Check for all zero signal.

A prerequisite for correct synchronization is a random data sequence of an adequate size.

Solution: Make sure the input signal contains an adequate number of uncorrelated (random!) bits. (Not 0 0 0 0 0, 1 1 1 1 1, or 01 01 01 01 01, for example.)

For QAM modulation, the result length (the data on which synchronization is based) should correspond to at least 8 times the modulation order (see "Result Length" on page 211).

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Message: Pattern Search On, But No Pattern Selected

Figure 10-9: The red circle shows the place where you can specify a pattern

Solution: Select an existing pattern (or create a new pattern) that you expect to be within the signal.

For more information, see

"Pattern Settings" on page 157
 Chapter 8.2.3, "How to Perform Pattern Searches", on page 255

Message: Pattern Not (Entirely) Within Result Range

A pattern can only be found if it is entirely within the result range. Therefore, this error message always occurs with a "Pattern Not Found" error.

Solution: Choose the pattern as reference of your result range alignment. Then, the pattern will always be part of your result range and the pattern search can succeed.

For more information, see

- Chapter 5.7, "Result Range Configuration", on page 210
- Chapter 8.2.1, "How to Define the Result Range", on page 253

Message: Short Pattern: Pattern Search Might Fail

The R&S FSW performs the pattern search in two stages.

 Stage 1 involves the generation of an I/Q pattern waveform by modulating the pattern symbol sequence. The I/Q pattern is then correlated with the measured signal. At positions where the correlation metric exceeds the "I/Q Correlation Threshold" the I/Q pattern is found.

Stage 2 demodulates the measured signal at the I/Q pattern location and the transmitted symbols are checked for correctness against the pattern symbol sequence.

In case of a very short pattern, i.e. a pattern length in the order of the inter-symbol interference (ISI) duration, a number of issues can arise:

False positive

The I/Q pattern is found at positions where the transmitted symbols differ from the pattern symbols.

Solution: Try one of the following:

- Activate "Meas only if Pattern Symbols Correct".
- Increase the "I/Q Correlation Threshold" (see Chapter 5.6.2, "Pattern Search", on page 203).
- False negative

The I/Q pattern search misses a position where transmitted symbols match the pattern symbols.

Solution:

 Decrease the "I/Q Correlation Threshold" (see Chapter 5.6.2, "Pattern Search", on page 203).

In case of bursted signals the pattern search finds only the first occurrence of the I/Q pattern within each burst. If a false positive occurs in this situation (cf. case 1.) the use of "Meas only if pattern symbols correct" will not provide a satisfactory solution.

In this case do the following:

- Increase the "I/Q Correlation Threshold".
- Specify the expected position of the pattern within the burst by adjusting the "Offset" parameter.

Message: Sync Prefers More Valid Symbols

Note: Note that this message does not necessarily indicate a problem. Its purpose is to inform you that you might have the opportunity to get a more stable demodulation and/or better measurement results by improving your setup.

Synchronization in the VSA application is performed in two stages: coarse synchronization that precedes the reference signal generation and fine synchronization based on the reference signal.

- The coarse synchronization stage can work data-aided (i.e. based on a known pattern) or non-data-aided (i.e. based on the unknown data symbols). The default is a non-data-aided coarse synchronization. In the case that a pattern is part of signal, the user can switch to data-aided synchronization.
- The fine synchronization stage always works data-aided.

'Sync Prefers More Valid Symbols' indicates that one of the synchronization stages has too few symbols to ensure that the synchronization is robust.

The message is given if

- Coarse Synchronization = Non-Data-Aided (User Pattern for Sync = Off): Estimation range shorter than 40 symbols (see Chapter 4.5.1.2, "Estimation", on page 119)
- Fine Synchronization:
 Estimation range shorter than 10 symbols

(see Chapter 4.5.1.2, "Estimation", on page 119)

Solution:

• If the signal contains a pattern, set "Coarse Synchronization: Pattern". (see "Coarse Synchronization" on page 219).

Example: measurement of a GSM EDGE pattern that has a length of 26 symbols.

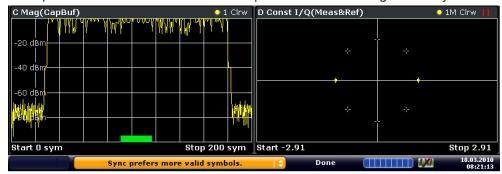


Figure 10-10: User Pattern for Sync = Off

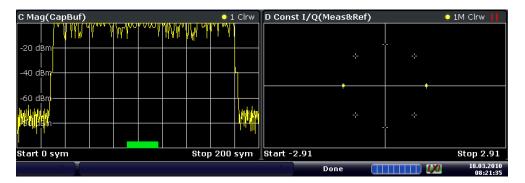


Figure 10-11: User Pattern for Sync = On

- Choose a longer "Result Range".
- If the signal is bursted and the bursts are short:
 - Make sure your "Result Range" comprises the entire burst.
 - Make sure that "Run-In/Out" is not chosen too large, since the "Run-In/Out" ranges are excluded from the synchronization.
- If the signal is bursted and contains a pattern:
 Only switch off the burst search if absolutely necessary. If you need to switch it off, align your "Result Range" to the pattern, make sure it does not exceed the burst ramps and choose "Continuous Signal" as the "Signal Type" in the "Signal Description" dialog.

For more information, see

Chapter 4.4, "Overview of the Demodulation Process", on page 103

Message: Sync Prefers Longer Pattern

This message can only occur if the coarse synchronization is data-aided, i.e is based on a known pattern. In case the pattern is very short, pattern-based coarse synchronization might be unstable. If demodulation is stable, e.g. you get a reasonable EVM, there is no need to change anything. Otherwise, you have two options:

Switch to the non-pattern-based mode by setting the parameter "Coarse Synchronization: Data"

(see "Coarse Synchronization" on page 219

If possible, use a longer pattern.

For more information, see

Chapter 4.4, "Overview of the Demodulation Process", on page 103

Message: Result Ranges Overlap

This message does not indicate an error. It is merely displayed to inform you that the defined result ranges in the capture buffer overlap. Thus, some captured data is evaluated more than once. For example, the same peak value may be listed several times if it is included in several result ranges, and averaging is performed on (partially) duplicate values. However, a negative influence on the measurement results is not to be expected.

Message: Symbol rate exceeds usable I/Q bandwidth

The occupied bandwidth of a signal mostly depends on its symbol rate (see also Chapter 4.2, "Sample Rate, Symbol Rate and I/Q Bandwidth", on page 68). If the available usable I/Q bandwidth is too small, part of the signal is not captured. Thus, the demodulation is distorted.

Solution:

- Decrease the symbol rate (see "Symbol Rate" on page 154)
- Decrease the sample rate (see "Sample Rate" on page 190)
- Install additional bandwidth extension options

Message: Data Sequences have Incorrect # Symbols

The length of the data sequences taken from a known data file does not correspond with the specified result range length (see "Result Length" on page 211). Specify the correct number of symbols as the result length.

Tip: the result length of the data sequences in the known data file is indicated in the "Signal Description" dialog box, in the "Known Data" tab (see Chapter 5.3.3, "Known Data", on page 158).

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Problem: Synchronization fails despite correct settings

A prerequisite for correct synchronization is a random data sequence of an adequate size.

Solution:

Make sure the input signal contains an adequate number of uncorrelated (random!) bits. (Not 0 0 0 0, 1 1 1 1 1, or 01 01 01 01 01, for example.)

For QAM modulation, the result length (the data on which synchronization is based) should correspond to at least 8 times the modulation order (see "Result Length" on page 211).

For more solutions, see Chapter 10.1, "Flow Chart for Troubleshooting", on page 286.

Problem: Synchronization seems to fail for all zero/all one/ 0 1 0 1 0 1... bit sequence

See "Problem: Synchronization fails despite correct settings" on page 298.

Problem: The trace is not entirely visible within the measurement window Solution:

- 1. Select the measurement window.
- 2. Press the AUTO key.
- 3. Press the "Y-Axis Auto Scale" softkey.

Problem: The trace of the measurement signal is visible in the measurement window; the trace of the reference signal is not

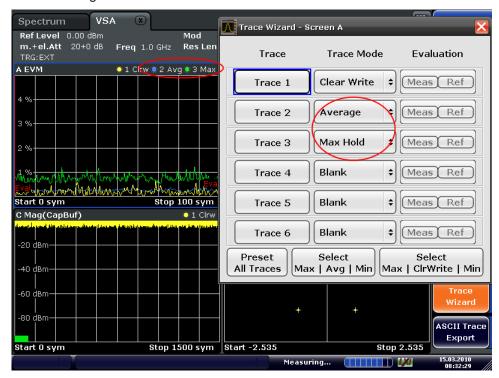
Solution:

- 1.Select the measurement window.
- 2. Press the TRACE key.
- 3. Press the "Trace Config" softkey.
- 4. Select a second trace, choose "Clear Write" as "Trace Mode" and toggle to "Ref" in the "Evaluation" column.



Problem: The measurement window does not show average results Solution:

- 1. Select the measurement window.
- 2. Press the TRACE key.
- 3. Press the "Trace Config" softkey.
- 4. Select a second trace and choose the preferred "Trace Mode", e.g. "Max Hold" or "Average".

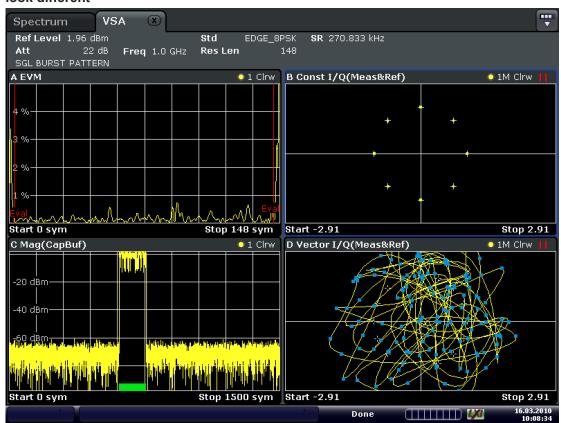


Problem: The spectrum is not displayed in the logarithmic domain Solution:

1. Select the measurement window.

- 2. Press the AMPT key.
- 3. Press the "Unit" softkey.
- 4. Press the "Y-Axis Unit" softkey.
- 5. Select dB.

Problem: The Vector I/Q result display and the Constellation I/Q result display look different



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Reason:

- The Vector I/Q diagram shows the measurement signal after the measurement filter and synchronization.
- The Constellation I/Q diagram shows the de-rotated constellation (i.e. for a π /4-DQPSK, 4 instead of 8 points are displayed). The inter-symbol interference has been removed.

In case the measurement filter does not remove the inter-symbol interference, the windows show measurements that are significantly different.

Problem: The Constellation I/Q measurement result display has a different number of constellation points in the R&S FSQ-K70 and the R&S FSW -K70 Reason:

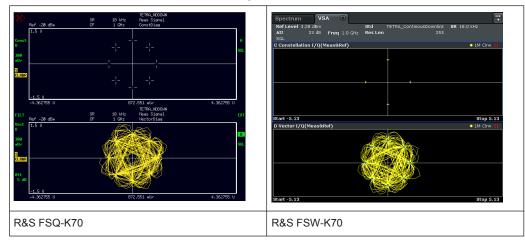
In the FSQ-K70, the Constellation I/Q measurement displays the symbol instants of the Vector I/Q measurement. Hence, this is a rotated constellation, e.g. for a π /4-DQPSK, 8 points are displayed.

In the R&S FSW-K70, the Constellation I/Q diagram shows the de-rotated constellation (i.e. for a π /4-DQPSK, 4 instead of 8 points are displayed). The inter-symbol interference has been removed.

Note: The result display "I/Q Constellation (Rotated)" displays the rotated constellation, as the FSQ-K70 does.

For details on the Constellation I/Q diagram in the R&S FSW-K70, see Chapter 3.2.5, "Constellation I/Q", on page 26.

Table 10-1: Constellation I/Q and Vector I/Q for pi/4-DQPSK modulation



Question: How can I demodulate an FSK modulated signal using the "Manchester" code?

The R&S FSW VSA application does not provide a specific configuration setting to support this code. However, if you configure FSK modulation and use twice the usual symbol rate, the signal is demodulated correctly. Remember to consider the double symbol rate when evaluating the results, however! Only the Symbol Table and the bit-stream results returned by the TRACe<n>[:DATA] command are not interpreted correctly and must be demodulated manually (for example using a script).

Problem: The MSK/FSK signal demodulates on the R&S FSQ-K70, but not on the R&S FSW -K70 or: Why do I have to choose different transmit filters in the R&S FSQ-K70 and the R&S FSW -K70?

When generating an MSK/FSK reference signal, the R&S FSQ-K70 automatically replaces the Dirac pulses generated by the frequency mapper with square pulses with the length of one symbol. In the R&S FSW-K70, however, this "replacement" is part of the transmit filter routine. Thus, the R&S FSQ and the R&S FSW require different transmit filters for measuring the same FSK/MSK signal.

Example:

- If your transmit filter for the R&S FSQ-K70 was "NONE", you need to choose "Rectangular" as the transmit filter type in the R&S FSW.
- If your transmit filter for the R&S FSQ-K70 was "GAUSS", you need to choose "GMSK" as the transmit filter type in the R&S FSW.

Problem: The EVM trace looks okay, but the EVM in the result summary is significantly different

Solution:

 Make sure that the position of the "Evaluation Lines" is reasonable. The Result Summary only evaluates sample instants that are within the evaluation lines. Hence, in the case the "Result Range" covers the burst ramps, it is important to adjust the "Evaluation Range" appropriately.

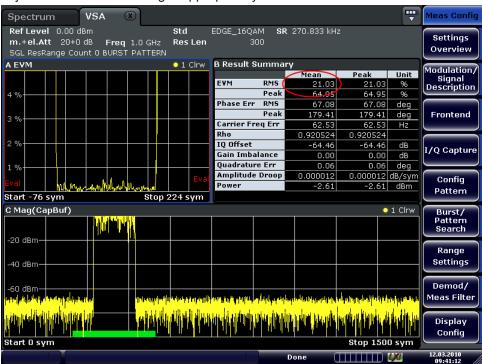


Figure 10-12: Problem: EVM in result summary does not correspond with trace display

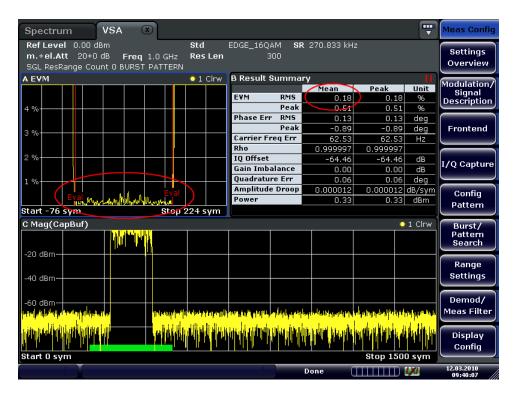
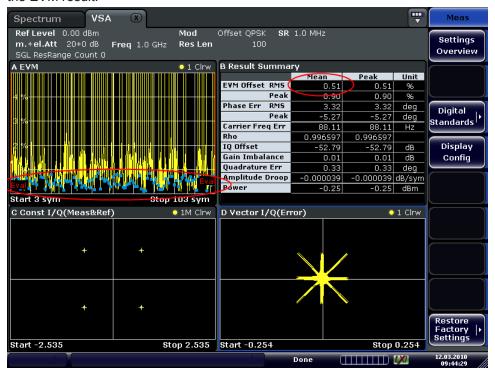


Figure 10-13: Solution: Result Summary with correct evaluation range setting

• Make sure that the same samples are evaluated. By default, the EVM trace displays all sample instants, e.g. if the sample rate is 4, the EVM trace shows 4 samples per symbol. The Result Summary does not automatically evaluate all sample instants. E.g. for a PSK modulation, by default only symbol instants contribute to the EVM result.

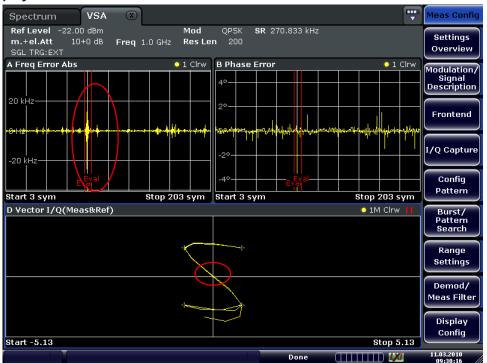


Question: Why isn't the FSK Deviation Error in R&S FSW -K70 identical to the FSK DEV ERROR in R&S FSQ-K70?

Solution:

The FSK deviation error in the R&S FSW-K70 is calculated as the difference between the measured frequency deviation and the reference frequency deviation as entered by the user (see "FSK Ref Deviation (FSK only)" on page 154). What is referred to as the "FSK DEV ERROR" in the R&S FSQ-K70 is calculated differently (see the R&S FSQ-K70 Software Manual) and is comparable to the "Freq Err RMS" in the R&S FSW-K70. However, while the "FSK DEV ERROR" in the R&S FSQ-K70 is given in Hz, the "Freq Err RMS" in the R&S FSW-K70 is given in percent, i.e. relative to the "FSK Meas Deviation".

Problem: The PSK/QAM Signal shows spikes in the Frequency Error result display



Solution:

These spikes are usually uncritical and are caused by zero-transitions in the I/Q Plane.

Question: The y-axis unit for the spectrum of the measurement signal can be chosen to be "dB". What level is this relative to?

Answer:

Spectrum (RealImag, Meas&Ref) calculates the FFT of the result RealImag(Meas&Ref). RealImag(Meas&Ref) has the unit "none". In this case, "none" means the measured signal has been scaled such that it matches the ideal corresponding reference signal as well as possible. The reference signal in turn is scaled such that max(abs(at symbol instants)) = 1.0.

Question: How can I get the demodulated symbols of all my GSM bursts in the capture buffer in remote control?

Answer:

Use the following remote commands:

```
:SENSe1:DDEMod:PRESet 'GSM NB'
```

Load the GSM standard.

```
:SENSe1:DDEMod:RLENgth 10000 SYM
```

Enlarge the capture buffer length such that all the bursts you want to demodulate can be seen within the capture buffer.

```
:INITiate1:CONTinuous OFF
```

Go to single sweep mode.

```
:SENSe1:SWEep:COUNt 0
```

Set the "Statistic Count" to "Auto" mode.

```
:INITiate1:IMMediate
```

Do single sweep.

```
:SENSe1:SWEep:COUNt:CURRent?
```

Query the number of demodulated bursts within the capture buffer.

Step through all bursts and query the demodulated symbols.

Question: Why do the EVM results for my FSK-modulated signal look wrong? Answer:

For an FSK-modulated signal, the signal processing differs to an PSK/QAM/MSK-modulated signal. The estimation model does not minimize the EVM but the error of the instantaneous frequency (see Chapter 4.5.2.1, "Error Model", on page 130). Therefore, the measurement value that corresponds to the EVM value for FSK is the Frequency Error (Absolute/Relative). (Source Type: Modulation Error; Result Type: Frequency Error (Absolute/Relative))

Question: Why don't the symbols in the Symbol Table match the symbols sent by my IRIG-106 conform device?

The predefined standard file for shaped offset QPSK (SOQPSK) was implemented according to the IRIG-106 standard, however without the differential precoding. Thus, the bit values of the symbols are not decoded according to the standard. However, only the Symbol Table is affected by this; all other result displays show appropriate results.

Question: Why does the pattern search fail for my IRIG-106 conform signal?

The predefined standard file for shaped offset QPSK (SOQPSK) was implemented according to the IRIG-106 standard, however without the differential precoding. Thus, the bit values of the symbols are not decoded according to the standard, and in particular, a specified pattern may not be detected.

10.4 Obtaining Technical Support

If problems occur, the instrument generates error messages which in most cases will be sufficient for you to detect the cause of an error and find a remedy.

Error messages are described in Chapter 10.2, "Explanation of Error Messages", on page 288.

In addition, our customer support centers are there to assist you in solving any problems that you may encounter with your R&S FSW. We will find solutions more quickly and efficiently if you provide us with the information listed below.

- **System Configuration:** The "System Configuration" dialog box (in the "Setup" menu) provides information on:
 - Hardware Info: hardware assemblies
 - Versions and Options: the status of all software and hardware options installed on your instrument
 - System Messages: messages on any errors that may have occurred

An .xml file with information on the system configuration ("device footprint") can be created automatically (using the DIAGnostic:SERVice:SINFo command or as described in "To collect the support information" on page 306).

- Error Log: The RSError.log file (in the
 C:\Program Files (x86)\Rohde-Schwarz\FSW\<version>\log directory)
 contains a chronological record of errors.
- Support file: a *.zip file with important support information can be created automatically (in the

C:\Program Files (x86)\Rohde-Schwarz\FSW\<version>\user directory). The *.zip file contains the system configuration information ("device foot-print"), the current eeprom data and a screenshot of the screen display.

To collect the support information

- 1. Press the SETUP key.
- 2. Select "Service > R&S Support" and then "Create R&S Support Information".

The file is stored as

```
C:\Program Files (x86)\Rohde-Schwarz\FSW\<version>\user\
<inst_model>_<serial-no>_<date_and_time>.zip
for example
```

C:\Program Files (x86)\Rohde-Schwarz\FSW\<version>\user\
FSW-26 1312.8000K26-100005-xx 20150420 113652.zip

Attach the support file to an e-mail in which you describe the problem and send it to the customer support address for your region as listed in the Internet (http://www.rohde-schwarz.com/en/service-support/customer_support_107711.html).

11 Remote Commands for VSA

The following commands are required to perform measurements in VSA in a remote environment.

It is assumed that the R&S FSW has already been set up for remote control in a network as described in the R&S FSW User Manual.



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 FSW 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

The following tasks specific to VSA are described here:

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11.1 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 FSW.



Remote command examples

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

11.1.1 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 FSW 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

This is the unit 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.

11.1.2 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.

11.1.3 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.

11.1.4 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.

11.1.5 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.

11.1.6 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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11.1.6.1 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.

11.1.6.2 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

11.1.6.3 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 11.1.2, "Long and Short Form", on page 309.

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

11.1.6.4 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'

11.1.6.5 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.

11.2 Common Suffixes

In the R&S FSW VSA application, the following common suffixes are used in remote commands:

Table 11-1: Common suffixes used in remote commands in the R&S FSW VSA application

| Suffix | Value range | Description |
|---------|----------------|--|
| <m></m> | 1 to 4 | Marker |
| <n></n> | 1 to 16 | Window (in the currently selected measurement channel) |
| <t></t> | 1 to 6 | Trace |
| <k></k> | not applicable | Limit line |

11.3 Activating Vector Signal Analysis

Vector signal analysis requires a special application on the R&S FSW. A measurement is started immediately with the default settings.

| INSTrument:CREate:DUPLicate | 313 |
|---------------------------------|-----|
| INSTrument:CREate[:NEW] | 313 |
| INSTrument:CREate:REPLace | |
| INSTrument:DELete | 314 |
| INSTrument:LIST? | 314 |
| INSTrument:REName | 315 |
| INSTrument[:SELect] | 316 |
| SYSTem:PRESet:CHANnel[:EXECute] | |

INSTrument:CREate:DUPLicate

This command duplicates the currently selected measurement channel, i.e creates a new measurement 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" -> "IQAnalyzer2").

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

This command is not available if the MSRA/MSRT Master channel is selected.

Example: INST:SEL 'IQAnalyzer'

INST: CRE: DUPL

Duplicates the channel named 'IQAnalyzer' and creates a new

measurement channel named 'IQAnalyzer2'.

Usage: Event

INSTrument:CREate[:NEW] <ChannelType>, <ChannelName>

This command adds an additional measurement channel.

The number of measurement channels you can configure at the same time depends on available memory.

Parameters:

<ChannelType> Channel type of the new channel.

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

on page 314.

<ChannelName> String containing the name of the channel. The channel name is

displayed as the tab label for the measurement 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 314).

Example: INST:CRE IQ, 'IQAnalyzer2'

Adds an additional I/Q Analyzer channel named "IQAnalyzer2".

INSTrument:CREate:REPLace < ChannelName1>, < ChannelType>, < ChannelName2>

This command replaces a measurement channel with another one.

Setting parameters:

<ChannelName1> String containing the name of the measurement channel you

want to replace.

<ChannelType> Channel type of the new channel.

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

on page 314.

<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 314).

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

Replaces the channel named 'IQAnalyzer2' by a new measure-

ment channel of type 'IQ Analyzer' named 'IQAnalyzer'.

Usage: Setting only

INSTrument:DELete < ChannelName >

This command deletes a measurement channel.

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

Parameters:

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

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

Example: INST:DEL 'IQAnalyzer4'

Deletes the channel with the name 'IQAnalyzer4'.

Usage: Event

INSTrument:LIST?

This command queries all active measurement channels. This is useful in order to obtain the names of the existing measurement 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.

Example: INST:LIST?

Result for 3 measurement channels:
'ADEM', 'Analog Demod', 'IQ', 'IQ
Analyzer', 'IQ', 'IQ Analyzer2'

Usage: Query only

Table 11-2: Available measurement 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 FSW-K84) | BDO | 1xEV-DO BTS |
| 1xEV-DO MS (R&S FSW-K85) | MDO | 1xEV-DO MS |
| 3GPP FDD BTS (R&S FSW-K72) | BWCD | 3G FDD BTS |
| 3GPP FDD UE (R&S FSW-K73) | MWCD | 3G FDD UE |
| 802.11ad (R&S FSW-K95) | WIGIG | 802.11ad |
| Amplifier Measurements (R&S FSW-K18) | AMPLifier | Amplifier |
| Analog Demodulation (R&S FSW-K7) | ADEM | Analog Demod |
| Avionics (R&S FSW-K15) | AVIonics | Avionics |
| cdma2000 BTS (R&S FSW-K82) | вс2К | CDMA2000 BTS |
| cdma2000 MS (R&S FSW-K83) | MC2K | CDMA2000 MS |
| DOCSIS 3.1 (R&S FSW-K192/193) | DOCSis | DOCSIS 3.1 |
| GSM (R&S FSW-K10) | GSM | GSM |
| I/Q Analyzer | IQ | IQ Analyzer |
| LTE (R&S FSW-K10x) | LTE | LTE |
| Multi-Carrier Group Delay (R&S FSW-K17) | MCGD | MC Group Delay |
| Noise (R&S FSW-K30) | NOISE | Noise |
| Phase Noise (R&S FSW-K40) | PNOISE | Phase Noise |
| Pulse (R&S FSW-K6) | PULSE | Pulse |
| Real-Time Spectrum (R&S FSW-B160R/-K160RE) | RTIM | Real-Time Spectrum |
| TD-SCDMA BTS (R&S FSW-K76) | BTDS | TD-SCDMA BTS |
| TD-SCDMA UE (R&S FSW-K77) | MTDS | TD-SCDMA UE |
| Transient Analysis (R&S FSW-K60) | TA | Transient Analysis |
| VSA (R&S FSW-K70) | DDEM | VSA |
| WLAN (R&S FSW-K91) | WLAN | WLAN |

^{*)} the default channel name is also listed in the table. 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 measurement channel.

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Parameters:

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

<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.

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

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

lyzer3'.

Usage: Setting only

INSTrument[:SELect] <ChannelType>

Selects the application (channel type) for the current channel.

See also INSTrument: CREate [:NEW] on page 313.

For a list of available channel types see Table 11-2.

Parameters:

<ChannelType> VSA

VSA, R&S FSW-K70

SYSTem:PRESet:CHANnel[:EXECute]

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 148

11.4 Digital Standards

Various predefined settings files for common digital standards are provided for use with the R&S FSW VSA application. In addition, you can create your own settings files for user-specific measurements.

Manual configuration of digital standards is described in Chapter 5.2, "Configuration According to Digital Standards", on page 149.

| 317 | [SENSe:]DDEMod:FACTory[:VALue] |
|-----|----------------------------------|
| 317 | [SENSe:]DDEMod:PRESet[:STANdard] |
| 318 | [SENSe:]DDEMod:STANdard:COMMen |

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| [SENSe:]DDEMod:STANdard:DELete | 318 |
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| [SENSe:]DDEMod:STANdard:PREset[:VALue] | 318 |
| SENSe:]DDEMod:STANdard:SAVE | 318 |

[SENSe:]DDEMod:FACTory[:VALue] <Factory>

This command restores the factory settings of standards or patterns for the VSA application.

Setting parameters:

<Factory> ALL | STANdard | PATTern

ALL

Restores both standards and patterns.

*RST: ALL

Usage: Setting only

Manual operation: See "Restore Standard Files" on page 151

See "Restore Pattern Files" on page 226

[SENSe:]DDEMod:PRESet[:STANdard] <Standard>

This command selects an automatic setting of all modulation parameters according to a standardized transmission method or a user-defined transmission method. The standardized transmission methods are available in the instrument as predefined standards.

Setting parameters:

<Standard> string

Specifies the file name that contains the transmission method without the extension. For user-defined standards, the file path

must be included. Default standards predefined by

Rohde&Schwarz do not require a path definition. A list of predefined standards (including short forms) is provided in the annex

(see Chapter B, "Predefined Standards and Settings",

on page 506).

Example: DDEM: PRES 'TETRA_NDDOWN'

Switches the predefined digital standard "TETRA_Disconti-

nuousDownlink" on.

 $\label{lem:pres} $$ \c:\R_S\Instr\usr\standards\USER_GSM'$ Switches the user-defined digital standard "USER_GSM" on.$

Example: See Chapter 11.13.2, "Measurement Example 2: GSM EDGE

Burst Measurement Based on a Digital Standard", on page 500.

Manual operation: See "Load Standard" on page 150

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[SENSe:]DDEMod:STANdard:COMMent < Comment>

This command enters the comment for a new standard. The comment is stored with the standard and is only displayed in the selection menu (manual operation). When remote control is used, the string is deleted after the standard has been stored, allowing a new comment to be entered for the next standard. In this case a blank string is returned when a guery is made.

Setting parameters:

<Comment> string

Manual operation: See "Comment" on page 150

[SENSe:]DDEMod:STANdard:DELete <FileName>

This command deletes a specified digital standard file in the vector signal analysis. The file name includes the path. If the file does not exist, an error message is displayed

Setting parameters:

<FileName> string

File name including the path for the digital standard file

Usage: Setting only

Manual operation: See "Delete Standard" on page 150

[SENSe:]DDEMod:STANdard:PREset[:VALue]

This command restores the default settings of the currently selected standard.

Usage: Event

[SENSe:]DDEMod:STANdard:SAVE <FileName>

This command stores the current settings of the vector signal analysis as a new userdefined digital standard. If the name of the digital standard is already in use, an error message is output and a new name has to be selected. It is recommended that you define a comment before storing the standard.

Setting parameters:

<FileName> string

The path and file name to which the settings are stored.

Example: DDEM:STAN:COMM 'GSM_AccessBurst with Pattern'

Defines a comment for the settings.

DDEM:STAN:SAVE 'C:

\R S\Instr\usr\standards\USER GSM'

Stores the settings in the user-defined digital standard

"USER_GSM".

Example: See Chapter 11.13.3, "Measurement Example 3: User-Defined

Pattern Search and Limit Check", on page 503.

Usage: Setting only

Manual operation: See "Save Standard" on page 150

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| • | Signal Description | 319 |
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| | Input, Output and Frontend Settings | |
| | Signal Capture | |
| | Triggering Measurements | |
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| | Demodulation Settings | |
| | Measurement Filter Settings | |
| | Defining the Evaluation Range | |
| | Adjusting Settings Automatically | |
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11.5.1 Signal Description

The signal description provides information on the expected input signal, which optimizes pattern and burst detection and the calculation of the ideal reference signal.

Manual configuration of the signal description is described in Chapter 5.3, "Signal Description", on page 151.

| • | Modulation | 319 |
|---|------------------|-----|
| • | Signal Structure | 328 |

11.5.1.1 Modulation

The modulation settings vary depending on the selected modulation type; in particular, FSK modulation provides some additional settings.

| CALCulate <n>:FSK:DEViation:REFerence:RELative</n> | 320 |
|--|-----|
| CALCulate <n>:FSK:DEViation:REFerence[:VALue]</n> | 320 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:APSK:NSTate | 320 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:ASK:NSTate | 321 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:FILTer:ALPHa | |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:FILTer[:STATe] | 321 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:FORMat | 321 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:FSK:NSTate | 322 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:MAPPing:CATalog? | 323 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:MAPPing[:VALue] | 323 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:MSK:FORMat | 323 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:PSK:FORMat | 324 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:PSK:NSTate | 324 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:QAM:FORMat | |

| [SENSe:]DDEMod:QAM:NSTate | 325 |
|--------------------------------|-----|
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:QPSK:FORMat | |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:SRATe | 326 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:TFILter:ALPHa | 327 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:TFILter:NAME | 327 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:TFILter[:STATe] | 327 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:TFILter:USER | 328 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:USER:NAME | 328 |
| | |

CALCulate<n>:FSK:DEViation:REFerence:RELative <FSKRefDev>

This command defines the deviation to the reference frequency for FSK modulation as a multiple of the symbol rate.

For details see "FSK Ref Deviation (FSK only)" on page 154.

Suffix:

<n> Window

Setting parameters:

<FSKRefDev> numeric value

Range: 0.1 to 15

*RST: 1
Default unit: NONE

Manual operation: See "FSK Ref Deviation (FSK only)" on page 154

CALCulate<n>:FSK:DEViation:REFerence[:VALue] <FSKRefDevAbsRes>

This command defines the deviation to the reference frequency for FSK modulation as an absolute value in Hz.

Suffix:

<n> Window

Setting parameters:

<FSKRefDevAbsRes>numeric value

Range: 10.0 to 64e9

*RST: 100e3 Default unit: Hz

Manual operation: See "FSK Ref Deviation (FSK only)" on page 154

[SENSe:]DDEMod:APSK:NSTate <APSKNstate>

This command defines the specific demodulation mode for APSK. The following APSK demodulation modes are possible: DDEMod:APSK:NSTate 16 16APSK 32 32APSK

Setting parameters:

<APSKNstate> numeric value

*RST: 16

Manual operation: See "Modulation Order" on page 153

[SENSe:]DDEMod:ASK:NSTate <ASKNstate>

This command defines the specific demodulation mode for ASK. The following ASK demodulation modes are possible: DDEMod:ASK:NSTate 2 OOK 4 4ASK

Setting parameters:

<ASKNstate> numeric value

*RST: 2

Manual operation: See "Modulation Order" on page 153

[SENSe:]DDEMod:FILTer:ALPHa < MeasFiltAlphaBT>

This command determines the filter characteristic (ALPHA/BT). The resolution is 0.01.

Setting parameters:

<MeasFiltAlphaBT> numeric value

Range: 0.1 to 1.0 *RST: 0.22 Default unit: NONE

[SENSe:]DDEMod:FILTer[:STATe] < MeasFilterState>

This command defines whether the input signal that is evaluated is filtered by the measurement filter. This command has no effect on the transmit filter.

Setting parameters:

<MeasFilterState> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

ON

[SENSe:]DDEMod:MFILter:AUTO is activated.

OFF

The input signal is not filtered. [SENSe:]DDEMod:MFILter:

AUTO is deactivated.

*RST:

[SENSe:]DDEMod:FORMat <Group>

This command selects the digital demodulation mode.

Setting parameters:

<Group> MSK | PSK | QAM | QPSK | FSK | ASK | APSK | UQAM

QPSK

Quad Phase Shift Key

PSK

Phase Shift Key

MSK

Minimum Shift Key

QAM

Quadrature Amplitude Modulation

FSK

Frequency Shift Key

ASK

Amplitude Shift Keying

APSK

Amplitude Phase Shift Keying

UQAM

User-defined modulation (loaded from file, see [SENSe:

] DDEMod: USER: NAME on page 328)

*RST: PSK

Example: SENS:DDEM:FORM QAM

Example: See Chapter 11.13.1, "Measurement Example 1: User-defined

Measurement of Continuous QPSK Signal", on page 498.

Example: See Chapter 11.13.3, "Measurement Example 3: User-Defined

Pattern Search and Limit Check", on page 503.

Manual operation: See "Modulation Type" on page 152

See "Load User Modulation" on page 153

[SENSe:]DDEMod:FSK:NSTate <FSKNstate>

This command defines the demodulation of the FSK modulation scheme.

Setting parameters:

<FSKNstate> numeric value | 2 | 4 | 8 | 16

2

2FSK

4

4FSK

8

8FSK

16

16FSK

*RST: 2

Manual operation: See "Modulation Order" on page 153

[SENSe:]DDEMod:MAPPing:CATalog?

This command queries the names of all mappings that are available for the current modulation type and order. A mapping describes the assignment of constellation points to symbols.

Return values:

<Mappings> A comma-separated list of strings, with one string for each map-

ping name.

Example: :SENSe:DDEMod:MAPPing:CATalog?

Result:

'CDMA2K_FWD', 'DVB_S2', 'GRAY', 'NATURAL', 'WCDMA'

Example: See Chapter 11.13.1, "Measurement Example 1: User-defined

Measurement of Continuous QPSK Signal", on page 498.

Usage: Query only

Manual operation: See "Modulation Mapping" on page 154

[SENSe:]DDEMod:MAPPing[:VALue] < Mapping>

To obtain a list of available symbol mappings for the current modulation type use the [SENSe:]DDEMod:MAPPing:CATalog?? query.

Setting parameters:

<Mapping> string

Example: SENS:DDEM:MAPP 'GSM'

Sets mapping to GSM.

Example: See Chapter 11.13.1, "Measurement Example 1: User-defined

Measurement of Continuous QPSK Signal", on page 498.

Example: See Chapter 11.13.3, "Measurement Example 3: User-Defined

Pattern Search and Limit Check", on page 503.

Manual operation: See "Modulation Mapping" on page 154

[SENSe:]DDEMod:MSK:FORMat < MSKformat>

This command defines the specific demodulation order for MSK.

Setting parameters:

<MSKformat> TYPE1 | TYPE2 | NORMal | DIFFerential

TYPE1 | NORMal

Demodulation order MSK is used.

TYPE2 | DIFFerential

Demodulation order DMSK is used.

*RST: TYPE1

Manual operation: See "Modulation Order" on page 153

[SENSe:]DDEMod:PSK:FORMat <PSKformat>

Together with <code>DDEMod:PSK:NST</code>, this command defines the demodulation order for PSK (see also <code>[SENSe:]DDEMod:PSK:NSTate</code> on page 324). Depending on the demodulation format and state, the following orders are available:

| NSTATe | <pskformat></pskformat> | Order |
|--------|-------------------------|-------------------|
| 2 | NORMal | BPSK |
| 2 | NPI2 | Pi/2-BPSK |
| 2 | DPI2 | Pi/2-DBPSK |
| 8 | NORMal | 8PSK |
| 8 | DIFFerential | D8PSK |
| 8 | N3Pi8 | 3pi/8-8PSK (EDGE) |
| 8 | PI8D8PSK | Pi/8-D8PSK |

Setting parameters:

<PSKformat> NORMal | DIFFerential | N3Pi8 | PI8D8PSK | NORMal |

DIFFerential | N3Pi8 | PI8D8PSK | NPI2 | DPI2

*RST: NORMal

Manual operation: See "Modulation Order" on page 153

[SENSe:]DDEMod:PSK:NSTate < PSKNstate >

Together with DDEMod: PSK: FORMat, this command defines the demodulation order for PSK (see also [SENSe:]DDEMod: PSK: FORMat on page 324).

Setting parameters:

<PSKNstate> 2 | 8

*RST: 2

Manual operation: See "Modulation Order" on page 153

[SENSe:]DDEMod:QAM:FORMat <QAMformat>

This command defines the specific demodulation order for QAM.

Setting parameters:

<QAMformat> NORMal | DIFFerential | NPI4 | MNPI4

NORMal

Demodulation order QAM is used.

DIFFerential

Demodulation order DQAM is used.

NPI4

Demodulation order $\pi/4$ -16QAM is used.

MNPI4

Demodulation order $-\pi/4$ -32QAM is used.

*RST: NORMal

Manual operation: See "Modulation Order" on page 153

[SENSe:]DDEMod:QAM:NSTate <QAMNState>

This command defines the demodulation order for QAM.

| <qamnstate></qamnstate> | Order |
|-------------------------|------------|
| 16 | 16QAM |
| 16 | Pi/4-16QAM |
| 32 | 32QAM |
| 32 | Pi/4-32QAM |
| 64 | 64QAM |
| 128 | 128QAM |
| 256 | 256QAM |
| 512 | 512QAM |
| 1024 | 1024QAM |

Setting parameters:

<QAMNState> numeric value

*RST: 16

Manual operation: See "Modulation Order" on page 153

[SENSe:]DDEMod:QPSK:FORMat <QPSKformat>

This command defines the demodulation order for QPSK.

Setting parameters:

<QPSKformat> NORMal | DIFFerential | NPI4 | DPI4 | OFFSet | N3PI4

NORMal

Demodulation order QPSK is used.

DIFFerential

Demodulation order DQPSK is used.

NPI4

Demodulation order $\pi/4$ QPSK is used.

DPI4

Demodulation order $\pi/4$ DQPSK is used.

OFFSet

Demodulation order OQPSK is used.

N3PI4

Demodulation order $3\pi/4$ QPSK is used.

SOFFset

Shaped Offset QPSK *RST: NORMal

Example: DDEM: FORM QPSK

Switches QPSK demodulation on.

DDEM:QPSK:FORM DPI4

Switches $\pi/4$ DQPSK demodulation order on.

Example: See Chapter 11.13.1, "Measurement Example 1: User-defined

Measurement of Continuous QPSK Signal", on page 498.

Example: See Chapter 11.13.3, "Measurement Example 3: User-Defined

Pattern Search and Limit Check", on page 503.

Manual operation: See "Modulation Order" on page 153

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SRATe <SymbolRate>

This command defines the symbol rate.

The minimum symbol rate is 25 Hz. The maximum symbol rate depends on the defined Sample Rate (see Chapter 4.2, "Sample Rate, Symbol Rate and I/Q Bandwidth", on page 68).

Setting parameters:

<SymbolRate> numeric value

Range: 25 to 250e6 *RST: 3.84e6 Default unit: Hz

Example: See Chapter 11.13.1, "Measurement Example 1: User-defined

Measurement of Continuous QPSK Signal", on page 498.

Example: See Chapter 11.13.3, "Measurement Example 3: User-Defined

Pattern Search and Limit Check", on page 503.

Manual operation: See "Symbol Rate" on page 154

[SENSe:]DDEMod:TFILter:ALPHa <Alpha>

This command determines the filter characteristic (ALPHA/BT). The resolution is 0.01.

Setting parameters:

<Alpha> numeric value

Range: 0.1 to 1.0 *RST: 0.22 Default unit: NONE

Example: See Chapter 11.13.1, "Measurement Example 1: User-defined

Measurement of Continuous QPSK Signal", on page 498.

Manual operation: See "Alpha/BT" on page 155

See "Alpha/BT" on page 222

[SENSe:]DDEMod:TFILter:NAME <Name>

This command selects a transmit filter and automatically switches it on.

For more information on transmit filters, refer to Chapter C.1, "Transmit Filters", on page 513.

Setting parameters:

<Name> string

Name of the Transmit filter; an overview of available transmit filters is provided in Chapter C.1, "Transmit Filters", on page 513.

Example: See Chapter 11.13.1, "Measurement Example 1: User-defined

Measurement of Continuous QPSK Signal", on page 498.

Manual operation: See "Transmit Filter Type" on page 154

See "Load User Filter" on page 155

[SENSe:]DDEMod:TFILter[:STATe] <TXFilterState>

Use this command to switch the transmit filter off. To switch a transmit filter on, use the [SENSe:]DDEMod:TFILter:NAME command.

Setting parameters:

<TXFilterState> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

OFF

Switches the transmit filter off.

ON

Switches the transmit filter specified by [SENSe:]DDEMod: TFILter:NAME on. However, this command is not necessary, as the [SENSe:]DDEMod:TFILter:NAME command automati-

cally switches the filter on.

*RST: 1

Manual operation: See "Transmit Filter Type" on page 154

[SENSe:]DDEMod:TFILter:USER <FilterName>

This command selects a user-defined transmit filter file.

Setting parameters:

<FilterName> The name of the transmit filter file.

Manual operation: See "Transmit Filter Type" on page 154

See "Load User Filter" on page 155

[SENSe:]DDEMod:USER:NAME <Name>

Selects the file that contains the user-defined modulation to be loaded.

Setting parameters:

<Name> string

Path and file name of the *.vam file

Example: SENS:DDEM:FORM UQAM

Define the use of a user-defined modulation

SENS:DDEM:USER:NAME 'D:\MyModulation.vam'

Select the file name to be loaded

Manual operation: See "Load User Modulation" on page 153

11.5.1.2 Signal Structure

The signal structure commands describe the expected input signal and determine which settings are available for configuration. You can define a pattern to which the instrument can be synchronized, thus adapting the result range.

| [SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:BURSt:LENGth:MAXimum | 328 |
|--|-----|
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:BURSt:LENGth[:MINimum] | 329 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:BURSt:SKIP:FALLing | 329 |
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[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:BURSt:LENGth:MAXimum < MaxLength>

This command defines the maximum useful length of a burst. Only those bursts will be recognized that fall below this length. The default unit is symbols. The value can also be given in seconds.

Setting parameters:

<MaxLength> numeric value

Range: 0 to 32000 *RST: 1600 Default unit: SYM

Manual operation: See "Min Length / Max Length" on page 157

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:BURSt:LENGth[:MINimum] <UsefulLength>

This command defines the minimum useful length of a burst. Only those bursts will be recognized that exceed this length. The default unit is symbols. The value can also be given in seconds.

Note the difference to manual operation:

Setting parameters:

<UsefulLength> numeric value

Range: 10 to 32000

*RST: 100
Default unit: SYM

Manual operation: See "Min Length / Max Length" on page 157

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:BURSt:SKIP:FALLing <RunOut>

This command defines the length of the falling burst edge which is not considered when evaluating the result. The default unit is symbols. The value can also be given in seconds.

Setting parameters:

<RunOut> numeric value

Range: 0 to 31990

*RST: 1
Default unit: SYM

Manual operation: See "Run-Out" on page 157

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:BURSt:SKIP:RISing <RunIn>

This command defines the length of the rising burst edge which is not considered when evaluating the result. The default unit is symbols. The value can also be given in seconds

Setting parameters:

<RunIn> numeric value

Range: 0 to 31990

*RST: 1
Default unit: SYM

Manual operation: See "Run-In" on page 157

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:CATalog <Patterns>

This command reads the names of all patterns stored on the hard disk. The file names are returned as a comma-separated list of strings, one for each file name (without the file extension).

Setting parameters:

<Patterns> CURRent | ALL

CURRent

Only patterns that belong to the current standard

ALL
All patterns
*DST: All

*RST: ALL

Example: :DDEM:SEAR:SYNC:CAT? CURR

Result:

'GSM ABO', 'GSM AB1', 'GSM AB2', 'GSM TSC1'

Example: See Chapter 11.13.3, "Measurement Example 3: User-Defined

Pattern Search and Limit Check", on page 503.

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SIGNal:PATTern < PatternedSignal>

This command specifies whether the signal contains a pattern or not.

Setting parameters:

<PatternedSignal> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

*RST: 0

Example: See Chapter 11.13.3, "Measurement Example 3: User-Defined

Pattern Search and Limit Check", on page 503.

Manual operation: See "Name" on page 157

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SIGNal[:VALue] <SignalType>

This command specifies whether the signal is bursted or continuous.

Setting parameters:

<SignalType> CONTinuous | BURSted

*RST: CONTinuous

Example: See Chapter 11.13.3, "Measurement Example 3: User-Defined

Pattern Search and Limit Check", on page 503.

Manual operation: See "Signal Type" on page 156

[SENSe:]DDEMod:STANdard:SYNC:OFFSet:STATe <PattOffsState>

This command (de)activates the pattern offset.

Setting parameters:

<PattOffsState> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

*RST: 0

Example: See Chapter 11.13.3, "Measurement Example 3: User-Defined

Pattern Search and Limit Check", on page 503.

Manual operation: See "Offset" on page 157

[SENSe:]DDEMod:STANdard:SYNC:OFFSet[:VALue] < PatternOffset>

This command defines a number of symbols which are ignored before the comparison with the pattern starts.

Setting parameters:

<PatternOffset> numeric value

Range: 0 to 15000

*RST: 0
Default unit: SYM

Example: See Chapter 11.13.3, "Measurement Example 3: User-Defined

Pattern Search and Limit Check", on page 503.

Manual operation: See "Offset" on page 157

11.5.2 Input, Output and Frontend Settings

The R&S FSW can analyze signals from different input sources. The frequency and amplitude settings represent the "frontend" of the measurement setup.

Manual configuration of the input and frontend is described in Chapter 5.4, "Input, Output and Frontend Settings", on page 159.

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INPut:ATTenuation:PROTection:RESet

This command resets the attenuator and reconnects the RF input with the input mixer after an overload condition occurred and the protection mechanism intervened. The error status bit (bit 3 in the STAT: QUES: POW status register) and the INPUT OVLD message in the status bar are cleared.

(For details on the status register see the R&S FSW User Manual).

The command works only if the overload condition has been eliminated first.

Usage: Event

INPut:COUPling < Coupling Type>

This command selects the coupling type of the RF input.

The command is not available for measurements with the optional Digital Baseband Interface.

Parameters:

<CouplingType> AC

AC coupling

DC

DC coupling

*RST: AC

Example: INP:COUP DC

Usage: SCPI confirmed

Manual operation: See "Input Coupling" on page 161

INPut:DPATh <State>

Enables or disables the use of the direct path for frequencies close to 0 Hz.

Parameters:

<State> AUTO | 1

(Default) the direct path is used automatically for frequencies

close to 0 Hz.

OFF | 0

The analog mixer path is always used.

*RST: 1

Example: INP:DPAT OFF

Usage: SCPI confirmed

Manual operation: See "Direct Path" on page 161

INPut:FILTer:HPASs[:STATe] <State>

Activates an additional internal high-pass filter for RF input signals from 1 GHz to 3 GHz. This filter is used to remove the harmonics of the R&S FSW in order to measure the harmonics for a DUT, for example.

This function requires an additional high-pass filter hardware option.

(Note: for RF input signals outside the specified range, the high-pass filter has no effect. For signals with a frequency of approximately 4 GHz upwards, the harmonics are suppressed sufficiently by the YIG-preselector, if available.)

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF

*RST: OFF

Example: INP:FILT:HPAS ON

Turns on the filter.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

Manual operation: See "High-Pass Filter 1...3 GHz" on page 161

INPut:FILTer:YIG[:STATe] <State>

This command turns the YIG-preselector on and off.

Note the special conditions and restrictions for the YIG-preselector described in "YIG-Preselector" on page 161.

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF | 0 | 1

*RST: 1 (0 for I/Q Analyzer, GSM, VSA, Pulse, Amplifier,

Transient Analysis, DOCSIS and MC Group Delay

measurements)

Example: INP:FILT:YIG OFF

Deactivates the YIG-preselector.

Manual operation: See "YIG-Preselector" on page 161

INPut:SELect <Source>

This command selects the signal source for measurements, i.e. it defines which connector is used to input data to the R&S FSW.

If no additional input options are installed, only RF input is supported.

Parameters:

<Source> RF

Radio Frequency ("RF INPUT" connector)

DIQ

Digital IQ data (only available with optional Digital Baseband

Interface

For details on I/Q input see the R&S FSW I/Q Analyzer User

Manual.

AIQ

Analog Baseband signal (only available with optional Analog

Baseband Interface R&S FSW-B71)

For details on Analog Baseband input see the R&S FSW I/Q

Analyzer User Manual.

*RST: RF

Manual operation: See "Radio Frequency State" on page 160

See "Digital I/Q Input State" on page 163

See "Analog Baseband Input State" on page 165

11.5.2.2 Using External Mixers

The commands required to work with external mixers in a remote environment are described here. Note that these commands require the R&S FSW-B21 option to be installed and an external mixer to be connected to the front panel of the R&S FSW.

In MSRA/MSRT mode, external mixers are not supported.

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Basic Settings

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| [SENSe:]MIXer:BIAS[:LOW] | |
| [SENSe:]MIXer:LOPower | |

[SENSe:]MIXer[:STATe] <State>

Activates or deactivates the use of a connected external mixer as input for the measurement. This command is only available if the optional External Mixer is installed and an external mixer is connected.

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF

*RST: OFF

Example: MIX ON

[SENSe:]MIXer:BIAS:HIGH <BiasSetting>

This command defines the bias current for the high (second) range.

This command is only available if the external mixer is active (see [SENSe:]MIXer[: STATe] on page 334).

Parameters:

<BiasSetting> *RST: 0.0 A

Default unit: A

[SENSe:]MIXer:BIAS[:LOW] <BiasSetting>

This command defines the bias current for the low (first) range.

This command is only available if the external mixer is active (see [SENSe:]MIXer[: STATe] on page 334).

Parameters:

<BiasSetting> *RST: 0.0 A

Default unit: A

[SENSe:]MIXer:LOPower <Level>

This command specifies the LO level of the external mixer's LO port.

Parameters:

<Level> numeric value

Range: 13.0 dBm to 17.0 dBm

Increment: 0.1 dB *RST: 15.5 dBm

Example: MIX:LOP 16.0dBm

Mixer Settings

The following commands are required to configure the band and specific mixer settings.

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| [SENSe:]MIXer:LOSS:TABLe:HIGH | 338 |
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| [SENSe:]MIXer:LOSS:TABLe[:LOW] | 339 |
| [SENSe:]MIXer:LOSS[:LOW] | |
| [SENSe:]MIXer:PORTs | |
| [SENSe:]MIXer:RFOVerrange[:STATe] | 339 |

[SENSe:]MIXer:FREQuency:HANDover <Frequency>

This command defines the frequency at which the mixer switches from one range to the next (if two different ranges are selected). The handover frequency for each band can be selected freely within the overlapping frequency range.

This command is only available if the external mixer is active (see [SENSe:]MIXer[: STATe] on page 334).

Parameters:

<Frequency> numeric value

Example: MIX ON

Activates the external mixer. MIX: FREQ: HAND 78.0299GHz

Sets the handover frequency to 78.0299 GHz.

[SENSe:]MIXer:FREQuency:STARt?

This command queries the frequency at which the external mixer band starts.

Example: MIX:FREQ:STAR?

Queries the start frequency of the band.

Usage: Query only

[SENSe:]MIXer:FREQuency:STOP?

This command queries the frequency at which the external mixer band stops.

Example: MIX:FREQ:STOP?

Queries the stop frequency of the band.

Usage: Query only

[SENSe:]MIXer:HARMonic:BAND:PRESet

This command restores the preset frequency ranges for the selected standard waveguide band.

Note: Changes to the band and mixer settings are maintained even after using the PRESET function. Use this command to restore the predefined band ranges.

Example: MIX:HARM:BAND:PRES

Presets the selected waveguide band.

Usage: Event

[SENSe:]MIXer:HARMonic:BAND[:VALue] <Band>

This command selects the external mixer band. The query returns the currently selected band.

This command is only available if the external mixer is active (see [SENSe:]MIXer[: STATe] on page 334).

Parameters:

 <Band> KA |Q|U|V|E|W|F|D|G|Y|J|USER

Standard waveguide band or user-defined band.

Table 11-3: Frequency ranges for pre-defined bands

| Band | Frequency start [GHz] | Frequency stop [GHz] |
|-----------------|---|----------------------|
| KA (A) *) | 26.5 | 40.0 |
| Q | 33.0 | 50.0 |
| U | 40.0 | 60.0 |
| V | 50.0 | 75.0 |
| Е | 60.0 | 90.0 |
| W | 75.0 | 110.0 |
| F | 90.0 | 140.0 |
| D | 110.0 | 170.0 |
| G | 140.0 | 220.0 |
| J | 220.0 | 325.0 |
| Υ | 325.0 | 500.0 |
| USER | 32.18 | 68.22 |
| | (default) | (default) |
| *) The band for | ormerly referred to as "A" is now named "KA". | |

[SENSe:]MIXer:HARMonic:HIGH:STATe <State>

This command specifies whether a second (high) harmonic is to be used to cover the band's frequency range.

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF

*RST: OFF

Example: MIX:HARM:HIGH:STAT ON

[SENSe:]MIXer:HARMonic:HIGH[:VALue] <HarmOrder>

This command specifies the harmonic order to be used for the high (second) range.

Parameters:

<HarmOrder numeric value

Range: 2 to 61 (USER band); for other bands: see band

definition

Example: MIX:HARM:HIGH 2

[SENSe:]MIXer:HARMonic:TYPE <OddEven>

This command specifies whether the harmonic order to be used should be odd, even, or both.

Which harmonics are supported depends on the mixer type.

Parameters:

<OddEven> ODD | EVEN | EODD

*RST: EVEN

Example: MIX:HARM:TYPE ODD

[SENSe:]MIXer:HARMonic[:LOW] <HarmOrder>

This command specifies the harmonic order to be used for the low (first) range.

Parameters:

<HarmOrder> numeric value

Range: 2 to 61 (USER band); for other bands: see band

definition

*RST: 2 (for band F)

Example: MIX:HARM 3

[SENSe:]MIXer:LOSS:HIGH <Average>

This command defines the average conversion loss to be used for the entire high (second) range.

Parameters:

<Average> numeric value

Range: 0 to 100 *RST: 24.0 dB Default unit: dB

Example: MIX:LOSS:HIGH 20dB

[SENSe:]MIXer:LOSS:TABLe:HIGH <FileName>

This command defines the file name of the conversion loss table to be used for the high (second) range.

Parameters:

<FileName> String containing the path and name of the file.

Example: MIX:LOSS:TABL:HIGH 'MyCVLTable'

[SENSe:]MIXer:LOSS:TABLe[:LOW] <FileName>

This command defines the file name of the conversion loss table to be used for the low (first) range.

Parameters:

<FileName> String containing the path and name of the file.

Example: MIX:LOSS:TABL 'mix_1_4'

Specifies the conversion loss table mix_1_4.

[SENSe:]MIXer:LOSS[:LOW] <Average>

This command defines the average conversion loss to be used for the entire low (first) range.

Parameters:

<Average> numeric value

Range: 0 to 100 *RST: 24.0 dB Default unit: dB

Example: MIX:LOSS 20dB

[SENSe:]MIXer:PORTs <PortType>

This command specifies whether the mixer is a 2-port or 3-port type.

Parameters:

<PortType> 2 | 3

*RST: 2

Example: MIX:PORT 3

[SENSe:]MIXer:RFOVerrange[:STATe] <State>

If enabled, the band limits are extended beyond "RF Start" and "RF Stop" due to the capabilities of the used harmonics.

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF

*RST: OFF

Conversion Loss Table Settings

The following settings are required to configure and manage conversion loss tables.

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| [SENSe:]CORRection:CVL:CATAlog? | 341 |
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| [SENSe:]CORRection:CVL:SELect | 343 |
| [SENSe:]CORRection:CVL:SNUMber | 343 |
| | |

[SENSe:]CORRection:CVL:BAND <Type>

This command defines the waveguide band for which the conversion loss table is to be used. This setting is checked against the current mixer setting before the table can be assigned to the range.

Before this command can be performed, the conversion loss table must be selected (see [SENSe:]CORRection:CVL:SELect on page 343).

This command is only available with option B21 (External Mixer) installed.

Parameters:

<Band> K|A|KA|Q|U|V|E|W|F|D|G|Y|J|USER

Standard waveguide band or user-defined band.

Note: The band formerly referred to as "A" is now named "KA"; the input parameter "A" is still available and refers to the same

band as "KA".

For a definition of the frequency range for the pre-defined bands,

see Table 11-3).

*RST: F (90 GHz - 140 GHz)

Example: CORR:CVL:SEL 'LOSS TAB 4'

Selects the conversion loss table.

CORR:CVL:BAND KA

Sets the band to KA (26.5 GHz - 40 GHz).

[SENSe:]CORRection:CVL:BIAS <BiasSetting>

This command defines the bias setting to be used with the conversion loss table.

Before this command can be performed, the conversion loss table must be selected (see [SENSe:]CORRection:CVL:SELect on page 343.

This command is only available with option B21 (External Mixer) installed.

Parameters:

<BiasSetting> numeric value

*RST: 0.0 A
Default unit: A

Example: CORR:CVL:SEL 'LOSS TAB 4'

Selects the conversion loss table.

CORR:CVL:BIAS 3A

[SENSe:]CORRection:CVL:CATAlog?

This command queries all available conversion loss tables saved in the $C:\r s\instr\user\cvl\$ directory on the instrument.

This command is only available with option B21 (External Mixer) installed.

Usage: Query only

[SENSe:]CORRection:CVL:CLEAr

This command deletes the selected conversion loss table. Before this command can be performed, the conversion loss table must be selected (see [SENSe:]CORRection:CVL:SELect on page 343).

This command is only available with option B21 (External Mixer) installed.

Example: CORR:CVL:SEL 'LOSS TAB 4'

Selects the conversion loss table.

CORR:CVL:CLE

Usage: Event

[SENSe:]CORRection:CVL:COMMent <Text>

This command defines a comment for the conversion loss table. Before this command can be performed, the conversion loss table must be selected (see [SENSe:]CORRection:CVL:SELect on page 343).

This command is only available with option B21 (External Mixer) installed.

Parameters:

<Text>

Example: CORR:CVL:SEL 'LOSS_TAB_4'

Selects the conversion loss table.

CORR:CVL:COMM 'Conversion loss table for

FS Z60'

[SENSe:]CORRection:CVL:DATA <Freq>,<Level>

This command defines the reference values of the selected conversion loss tables. The values are entered as a set of frequency/level pairs. A maximum of 50 frequency/level pairs may be entered. Before this command can be performed, the conversion loss table must be selected (see [SENSe:]CORRection:CVL:SELect on page 343).

This command is only available with option B21 (External Mixer) installed.

Parameters:

<Freq> numeric value

The frequencies have to be sent in ascending order.

<Level>

Example: CORR:CVL:SEL 'LOSS TAB 4'

Selects the conversion loss table.

CORR: CVL: DATA 1MHZ, -30DB, 2MHZ, -40DB

[SENSe:]CORRection:CVL:HARMonic < HarmOrder>

This command defines the harmonic order for which the conversion loss table is to be used. This setting is checked against the current mixer setting before the table can be assigned to the range.

Before this command can be performed, the conversion loss table must be selected (see [SENSe:]CORRection:CVL:SELect on page 343.

This command is only available with option B21 (External Mixer) installed.

Parameters:

<HarmOrder> numeric value

Range: 2 to 65

Example: CORR:CVL:SEL 'LOSS TAB 4'

Selects the conversion loss table.

CORR:CVL:HARM 3

[SENSe:]CORRection:CVL:MIXer <Type>

This command defines the mixer name in the conversion loss table. This setting is checked against the current mixer setting before the table can be assigned to the range.

Before this command can be performed, the conversion loss table must be selected (see [SENSe:]CORRection:CVL:SELect on page 343).

This command is only available with option B21 (External Mixer) installed.

Parameters:

<Type> string

Name of mixer with a maximum of 16 characters

Example: CORR:CVL:SEL 'LOSS_TAB_4'

Selects the conversion loss table. CORR: CVL: MIX 'FS Z60'

[SENSe:]CORRection:CVL:PORTs <PortNo>

This command defines the mixer type in the conversion loss table. This setting is checked against the current mixer setting before the table can be assigned to the range.

Before this command can be performed, the conversion loss table must be selected (see [SENSe:]CORRection:CVL:SELect on page 343).

This command is only available with option B21 (External Mixer) installed.

Parameters:

<PortType> 2 | 3

*RST: 2

Example: CORR:CVL:SEL 'LOSS TAB 4'

Selects the conversion loss table.

CORR:CVL:PORT 3

[SENSe:]CORRection:CVL:SELect <FileName>

This command selects the conversion loss table with the specified file name. If <file_name> is not available, a new conversion loss table is created.

This command is only available with option B21 (External Mixer) installed.

Parameters:

<FileName> String containing the path and name of the file.

Example: CORR:CVL:SEL 'LOSS_TAB_4'

[SENSe:]CORRection:CVL:SNUMber <SerialNo>

This command defines the serial number of the mixer for which the conversion loss table is to be used. This setting is checked against the current mixer setting before the table can be assigned to the range.

Before this command can be performed, the conversion loss table must be selected (see [SENSe:]CORRection:CVL:SELect on page 343).

This command is only available with option B21 (External Mixer) installed.

Parameters:

<SerialNo> Serial number with a maximum of 16 characters

Example: CORR:CVL:SEL 'LOSS TAB 4'

Selects the conversion loss table. CORR:CVL:MIX '123.4567'

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This example demonstrates how to work with an external mixer in a remote environment. It is performed in the Spectrum application in the default layout configuration. Note that without a real input signal and connected mixer, this measurement will not return useful results.

```
//-----
//Reset the instrument
*RST
//Activate the use of the connected external mixer.
```

```
SENS:MIX ON
//----- Configuring basic mixer behavior -----
//Set the LO level of the mixer's LO port to 15 dBm.
SENS:MIX:LOP 15dBm
//{
m Set} the bias current to -1 mA .
SENS:MIX:BIAS:LOW -1mA
//---- Configuring the mixer and band settings -----
//Use band "V" to full possible range extent for assigned harmonic (6).
SENS:MIX:HARM:BAND V
SENS:MIX:RFOV ON
//Query the possible range
SENS:MIX:FREQ:STAR?
//Result: 47480000000 (47.48 GHz)
SENS:MIX:FREQ:STOP?
//Result: 138020000000 (138.02 GHz)
//Use a 3-port mixer type
SENS:MIX:PORT 3
//Split the frequency range into two ranges;
//range 1 covers 47.48 GHz GHz to 80 GHz; harmonic 6, average conv. loss of 20 dB
//range 2 covers 80 GHz to 138.02 GHz; harmonic 8, average conv.loss of 30 dB
SENS:MIX:HARM:TYPE EVEN
SENS:MIX:HARM:HIGH:STAT ON
SENS:MIX:FREQ:HAND 80GHz
SENS:MIX:HARM:LOW 6
SENS:MIX:LOSS:LOW 20dB
SENS:MIX:HARM:HIGH 8
SENS:MIX:LOSS:HIGH 30dB
//---- Activating automatic signal identification functions -----
//Activate both automatic signal identification functions.
SENS:MIX:SIGN ALL
//Use auto ID threshold of 8 dB.
SENS:MIX:THR 8dB
//----Performing the Measurement----
//Select single sweep mode.
INIT: CONT OFF
//Initiate a basic frequency sweep and wait until the sweep has finished.
//-----Retrieving Results-----
//Return the trace data for the input signal without distortions
//(default screen configuration)
TRAC:DATA? TRACE3
```

Configuring a conversion loss table for a user-defined band

```
//-----
//Reset the instrument
*RST
//Activate the use of the connected external mixer.
```

```
SENS:MIX ON
//-----Configuring a new conversion loss table ------
//Define cvl table for range 1 of band as described in previous example
// (extended V band)
SENS:CORR:CVL:SEL 'UserTable'
SENS:CORR:CVL:COMM 'User-defined conversion loss table for USER band'
SENS:CORR:CVL:BAND USER
SENS:CORR:CVL:HARM 6
SENS:CORR:CVL:BIAS -1mA
SENS:CORR:CVL:MIX 'FS Z60'
SENS:CORR:CVL:SNUM '123.4567'
SENS:CORR:CVL:PORT 3
//Conversion loss is linear from 55 GHz to 75 GHz
SENS:CORR:CVL:DATA 55GHZ, -20DB, 75GHZ, -30DB
//---- Configuring the mixer and band settings -----
//Use user-defined band and assign new cvl table.
SENS:MIX:HARM:BAND USER
//Define band by two ranges;
//range 1 covers 47.48 GHz to 80 GHz; harmonic 6, cvl table 'UserTable'
//range 2 covers 80 GHz to 138.02 GHz; harmonic 8, average conv.loss of 30 dB
SENS:MIX:HARM:TYPE EVEN
SENS:MIX:HARM:HIGH:STAT ON
SENS:MIX:FREQ:HAND 80GHz
SENS:MIX:HARM:LOW 6
SENS:MIX:LOSS:TABL:LOW 'UserTable'
SENS:MIX:HARM:HIGH 8
SENS:MIX:LOSS:HIGH 30dB
//Query the possible range
SENS:MIX:FREQ:STAR?
//Result: 47480000000 (47.48 GHz)
SENS:MIX:FREQ:STOP?
//Result: 138020000000 (138.02 GHz)
//----Performing the Measurement----
//Select single sweep mode.
INIT:CONT OFF
//Initiate a basic frequency sweep and wait until the sweep has finished.
INIT: *WAI
//-----Retrieving Results-----
//Return the trace data (default screen configuration)
TRAC:DATA? TRACe1
```

11.5.2.3 Configuring Digital I/Q Input and Output

Useful commands for digital I/Q data described elsewhere:

- INP:SEL DIQ (see INPut:SELect on page 333)
- TRIGger[:SEQuence]:LEVel:BBPower on page 381



Remote commands for the R&S DiglConf software

Remote commands for the R&S DiglConf software always begin with SOURCE: EBOX. Such commands are passed on from the R&S FSW to the R&S DiglConf automatically which then configures the R&S EX-IQ-BOX via the USB connection.

All remote commands available for configuration via the R&S DiglConf software are described in the "R&S®EX-IQ-BOX Digital Interface Module R&S®DiglConf Software Operating Manual".

Example 1:

SOURce:EBOX:*RST
SOURce:EBOX:*IDN?

Result:

"Rohde&Schwarz,DiglConf,02.05.436 Build 47"

Example 2:

SOURce: EBOX: USER: CLOCk: REFerence: FREQuency 5MHZ

Defines the frequency value of the reference clock.

Remote commands exclusive to digital I/Q data input and output

| INPut:DIQ:CDEVice | 346 |
|------------------------------|-----|
| INPut:DIQ:RANGe[:UPPer]:AUTO | 347 |
| INPut:DIQ:RANGe:COUPling | 348 |
| INPut:DIQ:RANGe[:UPPer] | 348 |
| INPut:DIQ:RANGe[:UPPer]:UNIT | |
| INPut:DIQ:SRATe. | 348 |
| INPut:DIQ:SRATe:AUTO | 349 |
| OUTPut:DIQ | 349 |
| OUTPut:DIQ:CDEVice? | 349 |

INPut:DIQ:CDEVice

This command queries the current configuration and the status of the digital I/Q input from the optional Digital Baseband Interface.

For details see the section "Interface Status Information" for the optional Digital Baseband Interface in the R&S FSW I/Q Analyzer User Manual.

Return values:

<ConnState> Defines whether a device is connected or not.

0

No device is connected.

1

A device is connected.

<DeviceName> Device ID of the connected device

<SerialNumber> Serial number of the connected device

<PortName> Port name used by the connected device

<SampleRate> Maximum or currently used sample rate of the connected device

in Hz (depends on the used connection protocol version; indica-

ted by <SampleRateType> parameter)

<MaxTransferRate> Maximum data transfer rate of the connected device in Hz

<ConnProtState> State of the connection protocol which is used to identify the

connected device.

Not Started

Has to be Started

Started
Passed
Failed
Done

<PRBSTestState> State of the PRBS test.

Not Started

Has to be Started

Started Passed Failed Done

<SampleRateType> 0

Maximum sample rate is displayed

1

Current sample rate is displayed

<FullScaleLevel> The level (in dBm) that should correspond to an I/Q sample with

the magnitude "1" (if transferred from connected device); If not available, 1.#QNAN (not a number) is returned

Example: INP:DIQ:CDEV?

Result:

1, SMW200A, 101190, BBMM 1 OUT,

100000000, 200000000, Passed, Passed, 1, 1. #QNAN

Manual operation: See "Connected Instrument" on page 164

INPut:DIQ:RANGe[:UPPer]:AUTO <State>

If enabled, the digital input full scale level is automatically set to the value provided by the connected device (if available).

This command is only available if the optional Digital Baseband interface is installed.

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF

*RST: OFF

Manual operation: See "Full Scale Level" on page 164

INPut:DIQ:RANGe:COUPling <State>

If enabled, the reference level for digital input is adjusted to the full scale level automatically if the full scale level changes.

This command is only available if the optional Digital Baseband Interface is installed.

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF

*RST: OFF

Manual operation: See "Adjust Reference Level to Full Scale Level" on page 164

INPut:DIQ:RANGe[:UPPer] <Level>

Defines or queries the "Full Scale Level", i.e. the level that corresponds to an I/Q sample with the magnitude "1".

This command is only available if the optional Digital Baseband Interface is installed.

Parameters:

<Level> <numeric value>

Range: $1 \mu V$ to 7.071 V

*RST: 1 V

Manual operation: See "Full Scale Level" on page 164

INPut:DIQ:RANGe[:UPPer]:UNIT <Unit>

Defines the unit of the full scale level (see "Full Scale Level" on page 164). The availability of units depends on the measurement application you are using.

This command is only available if the optional Digital Baseband Interface is installed.

Parameters:

<Level> VOLT | DBM | DBPW | WATT | DBMV | DBUV | DBUA | AMPere

*RST: Volt

Manual operation: See "Full Scale Level" on page 164

INPut:DIQ:SRATe <SampleRate>

This command specifies or queries the sample rate of the input signal from the optional Digital Baseband Interface (see "Input Sample Rate" on page 163).

Note: the final user sample rate of the R&S FSW may differ and is defined using SENS: DEM: PRAT (see [SENSe:]DDEMod: PRATe on page 376).

Parameters:

<SampleRate> Range: 1 Hz to 10 GHz

*RST: 32 MHz

Example: INP:DIQ:SRAT 200 MHz

Manual operation: See "Input Sample Rate" on page 163

INPut:DIQ:SRATe:AUTO <State>

If enabled, the sample rate of the digital I/Q input signal is set automatically by the connected device.

This command is only available if the optional Digital Baseband Interface is installed.

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF

*RST: OFF

Manual operation: See "Input Sample Rate" on page 163

OUTPut:DIQ <State>

This command turns continuous output of I/Q data to the optional Digital Baseband Interface on and off.

Using the digital input and digital output simultaneously is not possible.

If digital baseband output is active, the sample rate is restricted to 100 MHz (200 MHz if enhanced mode is possible; max. 160 MHz bandwidth).

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF

*RST: OFF

Example: OUTP:DIQ ON

Manual operation: See "Digital Baseband Output" on page 175

OUTPut:DIQ:CDEVice?

This command queries the current configuration and the status of the digital I/Q data output to the optional Digital Baseband Interface.

Return values:

<ConnState> Defines whether a device is connected or not.

0

No device is connected.

1

A device is connected.

<DeviceName> Device ID of the connected device

<SerialNumber> Serial number of the connected device
<PortName> Port name used by the connected device

<NotUsed> to be ignored

<MaxTransferRate> Maximum data transfer rate of the connected device in Hz

<ConnProtState> State of the connection protocol which is used to identify the

connected device.

Not Started

Has to be Started

Started
Passed
Failed
Done

<PRBSTestState> State of the PRBS test.

Not Started

Has to be Started

Started
Passed
Failed
Done

<NotUsed> to be ignored

<Placeholder> for future use; currently "0"

Example: OUTP:DIQ:CDEV?

Result:

1,SMW200A,101190,CODER 1 IN, 0,2000000000,Passed,Done,0,0

Usage: Query only

Manual operation: See "Output Settings Information" on page 176

See "Connected Instrument" on page 176

11.5.2.4 Configuring Input via the Optional Analog Baseband Interface

The following commands are required to control the optional Analog Baseband Interface in a remote environment. They are only available if this option is installed.

For more information on the Analog Baseband Interface see the R&S FSW I/Q Analyzer User Manual.

Useful commands for Analog Baseband data described elsewhere:

• INP:SEL AIQ (see INPut:SELect on page 333)

• [SENSe:] FREQuency:CENTer on page 364

• [SENSe:]SWAPiq on page 377

Commands for the Analog Baseband calibration signal are described in the R&S FSW User Manual.

Remote commands exclusive to Analog Baseband data input and output

| INPut:IQ:BALanced[:STATe] | 351 |
|----------------------------------|-----|
| INPut:IQ:FULLscale:AUTO | |
| INPut:IQ:FULLscale[:LEVel] | |
| INPut:IQ:TYPE | |
| CALibration:AIQ:HATiming[:STATe] | |

INPut:IQ:BALanced[:STATe] <State>

This command defines whether the input is provided as a differential signal via all 4 Analog Baseband connectors or as a plain I/Q signal via 2 single-ended lines.

Parameters:

<State> ON

Differential

OFF

Single ended

*RST: ON

Example: INP:IQ:BAL OFF

Manual operation: See "Input Configuration" on page 166

INPut:IQ:FULLscale:AUTO <State>

This command defines whether the full scale level (i.e. the maximum input power on the Baseband Input connector) is defined automatically according to the reference level, or manually.

Parameters:

<State> ON

Automatic definition

OFF

Manual definition according to INPut:IQ:FULLscale[:

LEVel] on page 351

*RST: ON

Example: INP:IQ:FULL:AUTO OFF

Manual operation: See "Full Scale Level Mode / Value" on page 183

INPut:IQ:FULLscale[:LEVel] < Peak Voltage >

This command defines the peak voltage at the Baseband Input connector if the full scale level is set to manual mode (see INPut:IQ:FULLscale:AUTO on page 351).

Parameters:

<PeakVoltage> 0.25 V | 0.5 V | 1 V | 2 V

Peak voltage level at the connector.

For probes, the possible full scale values are adapted according

to the probe's attenuation and maximum allowed power.

*RST: 1V

Example: INP:IQ:FULL 0.5V

Manual operation: See "Full Scale Level Mode / Value" on page 183

INPut:IQ:TYPE <DataType>

This command defines the format of the input signal.

Parameters:

<DataType> IQ | I | Q

IQ

The input signal is filtered and resampled to the sample rate of the application.

Two input channels are required for each input signal, one for the in-phase component, and one for the quadrature component.

еп

The in-phase component of the input signal is filtered and resampled to the sample rate of the application. If the center frequency is not 0, the in-phase component of the input signal is

down-converted first (Low IF I).

Q

The quadrature component of the input signal is filtered and resampled to the sample rate of the application. If the center frequency is not 0, the quadrature component of the input signal is

down-converted first (Low IF Q).

*RST: IQ

Example: INP:IQ:TYPE Q

Manual operation: See "I/Q Mode" on page 165

CALibration:AIQ:HATiming[:STATe] <State>

Activates a mode with enhanced timing accuracy between analog baseband, RF and external trigger signals.

For more information see the R&S FSW I/Q Analyzer and I/Q Input User Manual.

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

ON | 1

The high accuracy timing function is switched on.

The cable for high accuracy timing must be connected to trigger

ports 1 and 2.

OFF | 0

The high accuracy timing function is switched off.

*RST: OFF

Example: CAL:AIQ:HAT:STAT ON

Manual operation: See "High Accuracy Timing Trigger - Baseband - RF"

on page 166

11.5.2.5 Setting up Probes

Probes can be connected to the optional BASEBAND INPUT connectors, if the Analog Baseband interface (option R&S FSW-B71) is installed.

| [SENSe:]PROBe:SETup:CMOFfset | 353 |
|------------------------------|-----|
| [SENSe:]PROBe:ID:PARTnumber? | |
| [SENSe:]PROBe:ID:SRNumber? | |
| [SENSe:]PROBe:SETup:MODE | 354 |
| [SENSe:]PROBe:SETup:NAME? | |
| [SENSe:]PROBe:SETup:STATe? | 355 |
| [SENSe:]PROBe:SETup:TYPE? | |

[SENSe:]PROBe:SETup:CMOFfset < CMOffset>

Sets the common mode offset. The setting is only available if a differential probe is connected to the R&S FSW.

If the probe is disconnected, the common mode offset of the probe is reset to 0.0 V.

Suffix:

1 | 2 | 3

Selects the connector: 1 = Baseband Input I 2 = Baseband Input Q

3 = RF (currently not supported; use "1" with RF Input Connec-

tor setting "Baseband Input I")

Parameters:

<CMOffset> Range: -100E+24 to 100E+24

Increment: 1E-3 *RST: 0
Default unit: V

Manual operation: See "Common Mode Offset" on page 168

[SENSe:]PROBe:ID:PARTnumber?

Queries the R&S part number of the probe.

Suffix:

1 | 2 | 3

Selects the connector: 1 = Baseband Input I 2 = Baseband Input Q

3 = RF (currently not supported; use "1" with RF Input Connec-

tor setting "Baseband Input I")

Return values:

<PartNumber> Part number in a string.

Usage: Query only

[SENSe:]PROBe:ID:SRNumber?

Queries the serial number of the probe.

Suffix:

1 | 2 | 3

Selects the connector: 1 = Baseband Input I 2 = Baseband Input Q

3 = RF (currently not supported; use "1" with RF Input Connec-

tor setting "Baseband Input I")

Return values:

<SerialNo> Serial number in a string.

Usage: Query only

[SENSe:]PROBe:SETup:MODE <Mode>

Select the action that is started with the micro button on the probe head.

See also: "Microbutton Action" on page 168.

Suffix:

1 | 2 | 3

Selects the connector: 1 = Baseband Input I 2 = Baseband Input Q

3 = RF (currently not supported; use "1" with RF Input Connec-

tor setting "Baseband Input I")

Parameters:

<Mode> RSINgle

Run single: starts one data acquisition.

NOACtion

Nothing is started on pressing the micro button.

*RST: RSINgle

Manual operation: See "Microbutton Action" on page 168

[SENSe:]PROBe:SETup:NAME?

Queries the name of the probe.

Suffix:

1 | 2 | 3

Selects the connector: 1 = Baseband Input I 2 = Baseband Input Q

3 = RF (currently not supported; use "1" with RF Input Connec-

tor setting "Baseband Input I")

Return values:

<Name> Name string
Usage: Query only

[SENSe:]PROBe:SETup:STATe?

Queries if the probe at the specified connector is active (detected) or not active (not detected). To switch the probe on, i.e. activate input from the connector, use INP:SEL:AIQ (see INPut:SELect on page 333).

Suffix:

1 | 2 | 3

Selects the connector: 1 = Baseband Input I 2 = Baseband Input Q

3 = RF (currently not supported; use "1" with RF Input Connec-

tor setting "Baseband Input I")

Return values:

<State> DETected | NDETected

*RST: NDETected

Usage: Query only

[SENSe:]PROBe:SETup:TYPE?

Queries the type of the probe.

Suffix:

1 | 2 | 3

Selects the connector: 1 = Baseband Input I 2 = Baseband Input Q

3 = RF (currently not supported; use "1" with RF Input Connec-

tor setting "Baseband Input I")

Return values:

<Type> String containing one of the following values:

- None (no probe detected)

active differentialactive single-ended

Usage: Query only

11.5.2.6 Configuring the 2 GHz Bandwidth Extension (R&S FSW-B2000)

The following commands are required to use the optional 2 GHz bandwidth extension (R&S FSW-B2000).

For details on prerequisites and restrictions see the R&S FSW I/Q Analyzer and I/Q Input User Manual.

See also the command for configuring triggers while using the optional 2 GHz bandwidth extension (R&S FSW-B2000):

• TRIGger[:SEQuence]:OSCilloscope:COUPling on page 359

Remote commands exclusive to configuring the 2 GHz bandwidth extension:

| EXPort:WAVeform:DISPlayoff | . 356 |
|---|-------|
| SYSTem:COMMunicate:RDEVice:OSCilloscope[:STATe] | 357 |
| SYSTem:COMMunicate:RDEVice:OSCilloscope:ALIGnment:STEP[:STATe]? | .357 |
| SYSTem:COMMunicate:RDEVice:OSCilloscope:ALIGnment:DATE? | 358 |
| SYSTem:COMMunicate:RDEVice:OSCilloscope:IDN? | .358 |
| SYSTem:COMMunicate:RDEVice:OSCilloscope:LEDState? | .358 |
| SYSTem:COMMunicate:RDEVice:OSCilloscope:TCPip | 359 |
| SYSTem:COMMunicate:RDEVice:OSCilloscope:VDEVice? | 359 |
| SYSTem:COMMunicate:RDEVice:OSCilloscope:VFIRmware? | 359 |
| TRIGger[:SEQuence]:OSCilloscope:COUPling | .359 |
| | |

EXPort:WAVeform:DISPlayoff <FastExport>

Enables or disables the display update on the oscilloscope during data acquisition with the **optional 2 GHz bandwidth extension (R&S FSW-B2000)**.

As soon as the R&S FSW-B2000 is activated (see "B2000 State" on page 169), the display on the oscilloscope is turned off to improve performance during data export. As soon as the R&S FSW closes the connection to the oscilloscope, the display is reactivated and the oscilloscope can be operated as usual. However, if the LAN connection is lost for any reason, the display of the oscilloscope remains deactivated. Use this command to re-activate it.

Parameters:

<FastExport> ON | OFF

ON: Disables the display update for maximum export speed. OFF: Enables the display update. The export is slower.

*RST: ON

SYSTem:COMMunicate:RDEVice:OSCilloscope[:STATe] <State>

Activates the optional 2 GHz bandwidth extension (R&S FSW-B2000).

Note: Manual operation on the connected oscilloscope, or remote operation other than by the R&S FSW, is not possible while the B2000 option is active.

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

ON | 1

Option is active.

OFF | 0

Option is disabled.

*RST: 0

Example: SYST:COMM:RDEV:OSC ON

Manual operation: See "B2000 State" on page 169

SYSTem:COMMunicate:RDEVice:OSCilloscope:ALIGnment:STEP[:STATe]?

Performs the alignment of the oscilloscope itself and the oscilloscope ADC for the optional 2 GHz bandwidth extension (R&S FSW-B2000). The correction data for the oscilloscope (including the connection cable between the R&S FSW and the oscilloscope) is recorded. As a result, the state of the alignment is returned.

Alignment is required only once after setup. If alignment was performed successfully, the alignment data is stored on the oscilloscope.

Thus, alignment need only be repeated if one of the following applies:

- A new oscilloscope is connected to the IF OUT 2 GHZ connector of the R&S FSW
- A new cable is used between the IF OUT 2 GHZ connector of the R&S FSW and the oscilloscope
- A new firmware is installed on the oscilloscope

Return values:

<State> Returns the state of the second alignment step.

ON | 1

Alignment was successful.

OFF | 0

Alignment was not yet performed (successfully).

Example: SYST:COMM:RDEV:OSC:ALIG:STEP?

//Result: 1

Usage: Query only

SYSTem:COMMunicate:RDEVice:OSCilloscope:ALIGnment:DATE?

Returns the date of alignment of the IF OUT 2 GHZ to the oscilloscope for the optional 2 GHz bandwidth extension (R&S FSW-B2000).

Return values:

<Date> Returns the date of alignment.
Example: SYST:COMM:RDEV:OSC:DATE?

//Result: 2014-02-28

Usage: Query only

SYSTem:COMMunicate:RDEVice:OSCilloscope:IDN?

Returns the identification string of the oscilloscope connected to the R&S FSW.

Return values:

<IDString>

Example: SYST:COMM:RDEV:OSC:IDN?

//Result: Rohde&Schwarz,RTO, 1316.1000k14/200153,2.45.1.1

Usage: Query only

Manual operation: See "TCPIP Address or Computer name" on page 169

SYSTem:COMMunicate:RDEVice:OSCilloscope:LEDState?

Returns the state of the LAN connection to the oscilloscope for the optional 2 GHz bandwidth extension (R&S FSW-B2000).

Return values:

<Color> GREEN

Connection to the instrument has been established successfully.

GREY

Configuration state unknown, for example if you have not yet

started transmission.

RED

Connection to the instrument could not be established. Check the connection between the R&S FSW and the oscilloscope, and make sure the IP address of the oscilloscope has been defined (see SYSTem: COMMunicate: RDEVice:

OSCilloscope: TCPip on page 359).

Example: SYST:COMM:RDEV:OSC:LEDS?

//Result: 'GREEN'

Usage: Query only

SYSTem:COMMunicate:RDEVice:OSCilloscope:TCPip <Address>

Defines the TCPIP address or computer name of the oscilloscope connected to the R&S FSW via LAN.

Note: The IP address is maintained after a PRESET, and is transferred between applications.

Parameters:

<Address> computer name or IP address

Example: SYST:COMM:RDEV:OSC:TCP '192.0.2.0'

Example: SYST:COMM:RDEV:OSC:TCP 'FSW43-12345'

Manual operation: See "TCPIP Address or Computer name" on page 169

SYSTem:COMMunicate:RDEVice:OSCilloscope:VDEVice?

Queries whether the connected instrument is supported by the 2 GHz bandwidth extension option(R&S FSW-B2000).

For details see the 2 GHz bandwidth extension basics chapter in the R&S FSW I/Q Analyzer and I/Q Input User Manual.

Return values:

<State> ON | 1

Instrument is supported

OFF | 0

Instrument is not supported

Example: SYST:COMM:RDEV:OSC:VDEV?

Usage: Query only

SYSTem:COMMunicate:RDEVice:OSCilloscope:VFIRmware?

Queries whether the firmware on the connected oscilloscope is supported by the 2 GHz bandwidth extension (R&S FSW-B2000) option.

Return values:

<State> ON | 1

Firmware is supported

OFF | 0

Firmware is not supported

Example: SYST:COMM:RDEV:OSC:VFIR?

Usage: Query only

TRIGger[:SEQuence]:OSCilloscope:COUPling <CoupType>

Configures the coupling of the external trigger to the oscilloscope.

Parameters:

<CoupType> Coupling type

DC

Direct connection with 50 Ω termination, passes both DC and

AC components of the trigger signal.

CDLimit

Direct connection with 1 $M\Omega$ termination, passes both DC and

AC components of the trigger signal.

AC

Connection through capacitor, removes unwanted DC and very

low-frequency components.

*RST: DC

Manual operation: See "Coupling" on page 197

11.5.2.7 Output Settings

The following commands are required to query or provide output at the R&S FSW connectors.

OUTPut:IF:SBANd?

This command queries the sideband provided at the IF OUT 2 GHZ connector compared to the sideband of the RF signal. The sideband depends on the current center frequency.

Return values:

<SideBand> NORMal

The sideband at the output is identical to the RF signal.

INVerted

The sideband at the output is the inverted RF signal sideband.

Example: OUTP:IF IF2

Activates output at the IF OUTPUT (2 GHZ) connector.

OUTP: IF: SBAN?

Queries the sideband provided at the connector.

Usage: Query only

OUTPut:IF[:SOURce] <Source>

Defines the type of signal available at the IF/VIDEO/DEMOD or IF OUT 2 GHZ connector of the R&S FSW.

Parameters:

<Source> IF

The measured IF value is available at the IF/VIDEO/DEMOD output connector.

IF2

The measured IF value is available at the IF OUT 2 GHZ output connector at a frequency of 2 GHz.

This setting is only available if the IF OUT 2 GHZ connector or the optional 2 GHz bandwidth extension (R&S FSW-B2000) is available.

It is automatically set if the optional 2 GHz bandwidth extension (R&S FSW-B2000) is installed and active.

For details see the R&S FSW I/Q Analyzer and I/Q Input User Manual.

VIDeo

The displayed video signal (i.e. the filtered and detected IF signal, 200mV) is available at the IF/VIDEO/DEMOD output connector.

This setting is required to provide demodulated audio frequencies at the output.

*RST: IF

Example: OUTP: IF VID

Selects the video signal for the IF/VIDEO/DEMOD output con-

nector.

Manual operation: See "IF/Video Output" on page 172

11.5.2.8 Configuring the Trigger Output

The following commands are required to send the trigger signal to one of the variable TRIGGER INPUT/OUTPUT connectors on the R&S FSW.

| OUTPut:TRIGger <port>:DIRection</port> | 361 |
|--|-----|
| OUTPut:TRIGger <port>:LEVel</port> | |
| OUTPut:TRIGger <port>:OTYPe</port> | |
| OUTPut:TRIGger <port>:PULSe:IMMediate</port> | 363 |
| OUTPut:TRIGger <nort>:PUI Se:LENGth</nort> | 363 |

OUTPut:TRIGger<port>:DIRection < Direction>

This command selects the trigger direction for trigger ports that serve as an input as well as an output.

Suffix:

<port> Selects the used trigger port.

2 = trigger port 2 (front panel) 3 = trigger port 3 (rear panel)

Parameters:

<Direction> INPut

Port works as an input.

OUTPut

Port works as an output.

*RST: INPut

Manual operation: See "Trigger 2/3" on page 173

OUTPut:TRIGger<port>:LEVel <Level>

This command defines the level of the (TTL compatible) signal generated at the trigger output.

This command works only if you have selected a user defined output with OUTPut: TRIGger<port>:OTYPe.

Suffix:

<port> Selects the trigger port to which the output is sent.

2 = trigger port 2 (front) 3 = trigger port 3 (rear)

Parameters:

<Level> HIGH

5 V **LOW** 0 V

*RST: LOW

Example: OUTP:TRIG2:LEV HIGH

Manual operation: See "Level" on page 174

OUTPut:TRIGger<port>:OTYPe <OutputType>

This command selects the type of signal generated at the trigger output.

Suffix:

<port> Selects the trigger port to which the output is sent.

2 = trigger port 2 (front) 3 = trigger port 3 (rear)

Parameters:

<OutputType> **DEVice**

Sends a trigger signal when the R&S FSW has triggered inter-

nally.

TARMed

Sends a trigger signal when the trigger is armed and ready for

an external trigger event.

UDEFined

Sends a user defined trigger signal. For more information see

OUTPut:TRIGger<port>:LEVel.

*RST: DEVice

Manual operation: See "Output Type" on page 174

OUTPut:TRIGger<port>:PULSe:IMMediate

This command generates a pulse at the trigger output.

Suffix:

<port> Selects the trigger port to which the output is sent.

2 = trigger port 2 (front) 3 = trigger port 3 (rear)

Usage: Event

Manual operation: See "Send Trigger" on page 174

OUTPut:TRIGger<port>:PULSe:LENGth <Length>

This command defines the length of the pulse generated at the trigger output.

Suffix:

<port> Selects the trigger port to which the output is sent.

2 = trigger port 2 (front) 3 = trigger port 3 (rear)

Parameters:

<Length> Pulse length in seconds.

Example: OUTP:TRIG2:PULS:LENG 0.02

Manual operation: See "Pulse Length" on page 174

11.5.2.9 Frequency

| [SENSe:]FREQuency:CENTer | 364 |
|------------------------------------|-----|
| [SENSe:]FREQuency:CENTer:STEP | |
| [SENSe:]FREQuency:CENTer:STEP:AUTO | 364 |
| [SENSe:]FREQuency:OFFSet | 365 |

[SENSe:]FREQuency:CENTer <Frequency>

This command defines the center frequency.

Parameters:

<Frequency> The allowed range and f_{max} is specified in the data sheet.

UP

Increases the center frequency by the step defined using the

[SENSe:] FREQuency:CENTer:STEP command.

DOWN

Decreases the center frequency by the step defined using the

[SENSe:]FREQuency:CENTer:STEP command.

*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.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

Manual operation: See "Center Frequency" on page 167

See "Center frequency" on page 177

[SENSe:]FREQuency:CENTer:STEP <StepSize>

This command defines the center frequency step size.

You can increase or decrease the center frequency quickly in fixed steps using the SENS: FREQ UP AND SENS: FREQ DOWN commands, see [SENSe:] FREQuency: CENTer on page 364.

Parameters:

<StepSize> f_{max} is specified in the data sheet.

Range: 1 to fMAX *RST: 0.1 x span

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 Frequency Stepsize" on page 177

[SENSe:]FREQuency:CENTer:STEP:AUTO <LinkMode>

Defines the step width of the center frequency.

Setting parameters:

<LinkMode> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

ON

Links the step width to the current standard (currently 1 MHz for

all standards)

OFF

Sets the step width as defined using the FREQ:CENT:STEP command (see [SENSe:]FREQuency:CENTer:STEP

on page 364). *RST: 1

Manual operation: See "Center Frequency Stepsize" on page 177

[SENSe:]FREQuency:OFFSet <Offset>

This command defines a frequency offset.

If this value is not 0 Hz, the application assumes that the input signal was frequency shifted outside the application. All results of type "frequency" will be corrected for this shift numerically by the application.

See also "Frequency Offset" on page 177.

Note: In MSRA/MSRT mode, the setting command is only available for the MSRA/MSRT Master. For MSRA/MSRT slave applications, only the query command is available.

Parameters:

<Offset> Range: -100 GHz to 100 GHz

*RST: 0 Hz

Example: FREQ:OFFS 1GHZ

Usage: SCPI confirmed

Manual operation: See "Frequency Offset" on page 177

11.5.2.10 Amplitude Settings

Amplitude and scaling settings allow you to configure the vertical (y-)axis display and for some result displays also the horizontal (x-)axis.

Useful commands for amplitude settings described elsewhere:

- INPut: COUPling on page 332
- [SENSe:]ADJust:LEVel on page 410

Remote commands exclusive to amplitude settings:

| DISPlay[:WINDow <n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:RLEVel</t></n> | 366 |
|---|-----|
| DISPlay[:WINDow <n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:RLEVel:OFFSet</t></n> | 366 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:PRESet:RLEVel | 366 |
| INPut:GAIN[:VALue] | 367 |
| INPut:GAIN:STATe | 367 |

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:RLEVel <ReferenceLevel>

This command defines the reference level (for all traces in all windows).

With a reference level offset \neq 0, the value range of the reference level is modified by the offset.

Suffix:

<n>, <t> irrelevant

Parameters:

<ReferenceLevel> The unit is variable.

Range: see datasheet

*RST: 0 dBm

Example: DISP:TRAC:Y:RLEV -60dBm

Usage: SCPI confirmed

Manual operation: See "Reference Level" on page 179

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:RLEVel:OFFSet <Offset>

This command defines a reference level offset (for all traces in all windows).

Suffix:

<n>, <t> irrelevant

Parameters:

<Offset> Range: -200 dB to 200 dB

*RST: 0dB

Example: DISP:TRAC:Y:RLEV:OFFS -10dB

Manual operation: See "Shifting the Display (Offset)" on page 179

[SENSe:]DDEMod:PRESet:RLEVel

This command initiates a measurement that evaluates and sets the ideal reference level for the current measurement. This ensures that the settings of the RF attenuation and the reference level are optimally adjusted to the signal level without overloading the R&S FSW or limiting the dynamic range by an S/N ratio that is too small.

Usage: Event

INPut:GAIN[:VALue] <Gain>

This command selects the gain if the preamplifier is activated (INP:GAIN:STAT ON, see INPut:GAIN:STATe on page 367).

The command requires the additional preamplifier hardware option.

Parameters:

<Gain> 15 dB | 30 dB

The availability of gain levels depends on the model of the

R&S FSW.

R&S FSW8/13: 15dB and 30 dB R&S FSW26 or higher: 30 dB

All other values are rounded to the nearest of these two.

*RST: OFF

Example: INP:GAIN:STAT ON

INP:GAIN:VAL 30

Switches on 30 dB preamplification.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

Manual operation: See "Preamplifier" on page 162

INPut:GAIN:STATe <State>

This command turns the preamplifier on and off. It requires the optional preamplifier hardware.

This function is not available for input from the optional Digital Baseband Interface.

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF

*RST: OFF

Example: INP:GAIN:STAT ON

Switches on 30 dB preamplification.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

Manual operation: See "Preamplifier" on page 162

11.5.2.11 Attenuation

| INPut:ATTenuation | 367 |
|------------------------|-----|
| INPut:ATTenuation:AUTO | 368 |
| INPut:EATT | |
| INPut:EATT:AUTO | 369 |
| INPut:EATT:STATe | 369 |

INPut:ATTenuation < Attenuation>

This command defines the total attenuation for RF input.

If an electronic attenuator is available and active, the command defines a mechanical attenuation (see INPut:EATT:STATe on page 369).

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.

This function is not available if the optional Digital Baseband Interface is active.

Parameters:

<Attenuation> Range: see data sheet

Increment: 5 dB

*RST: 10 dB (AUTO is set to ON)

Example: INP:ATT 30dB

Defines a 30 dB attenuation and decouples the attenuation from

the reference level.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

Manual operation: See "Attenuation Mode / Value" on page 180

INPut:ATTenuation:AUTO <State>

This command couples or decouples the attenuation to the reference level. Thus, when the reference level is changed, the R&S FSW determines the signal level for optimal internal data processing and sets the required attenuation accordingly.

This function is not available if the optional Digital Baseband Interface is active.

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF | 0 | 1

*RST: 1

Example: INP:ATT:AUTO ON

Couples the attenuation to the reference level.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

Manual operation: See "Attenuation Mode / Value" on page 180

INPut:EATT < Attenuation>

This command defines an electronic attenuation manually. Automatic mode must be switched off (INP:EATT:AUTO OFF, see INPut:EATT:AUTO on page 369).

If the current reference level is not compatible with an attenuation that has been set manually, the command also adjusts the reference level.

This command requires the electronic attenuation hardware option.

It is not available if the optional Digital Baseband Interface is active.

Parameters:

<Attenuation> attenuation in dB

Range: see data sheet

Increment: 1 dB *RST: 0 dB (OFF)

Example: INP:EATT:AUTO OFF

INP:EATT 10 dB

Manual operation: See "Using Electronic Attenuation" on page 181

INPut:EATT:AUTO <State>

This command turns automatic selection of the electronic attenuation on and off.

If on, electronic attenuation reduces the mechanical attenuation whenever possible.

This command requires the electronic attenuation hardware option.

It is not available if the optional Digital Baseband Interface is active.

Parameters:

<State> 1 | 0 | ON | OFF

1 | ON 0 | OFF *RST:

Example: INP:EATT:AUTO OFF

Manual operation: See "Using Electronic Attenuation" on page 181

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INPut:EATT:STATe <State>

This command turns the electronic attenuator on and off.

This command requires the electronic attenuation hardware option.

It is not available if the optional Digital Baseband Interface is active.

Parameters:

<State> 1 | 0 | ON | OFF

1 | ON 0 | OFF

*RST: 0

Example: INP:EATT:STAT ON

Switches the electronic attenuator into the signal path.

Manual operation: See "Using Electronic Attenuation" on page 181

11.5.2.12 Scaling and Units

Useful commands for scaling described elsewhere:

- DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:AUTO ONCE on page 408
- DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:X[:SCALe]:VOFFset on page 395

Remote commands exclusive to scaling and units:

| CALCulate <n>:STATistics:PRESet</n> | 370 |
|---|-----|
| CALCulate <n>:STATistics:SCALe:AUTO ONCE</n> | 370 |
| CALCulate <n>:STATistics:SCALe:X:BCOunt</n> | 371 |
| CALCulate <n>:STATistics:SCALe:Y:LOWer</n> | 371 |
| CALCulate <n>:STATistics:SCALe:Y:UPPer</n> | 371 |
| CALCulate <n>:STATistics:SCALe:Y:UNIT</n> | 372 |
| CALCulate <n>:UNIT:ANGLe</n> | 372 |
| CALCulate <n>:X:UNIT:TIME</n> | 372 |
| CALCulate <n>:Y:UNIT:TIME</n> | 372 |
| DISPlay[:WINDow <n>]:TRACe<t>:X[:SCALe]:PDIVision</t></n> | 373 |
| DISPlay[:WINDow <n>]:TRACe<t>:X[:SCALe]:RPOSition</t></n> | 373 |
| DISPlay[:WINDow <n>]:TRACe<t>:X[:SCALe]:RVALue</t></n> | 373 |
| DISPlay[:WINDow <n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]</t></n> | 374 |
| DISPlay[:WINDow <n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:PDIVision</t></n> | |
| DISPlay[:WINDow <n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:RPOSition</t></n> | |
| DISPlay[:WINDow <n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:RVALue</t></n> | 375 |
| DISPlay[:WINDow <n>]:TRACe<t>:Y:SPACing</t></n> | |
| | |

CALCulate<n>:STATistics:PRESet

This command sets the x- and y-axis of the statistics measurement to measurement dependent default values.

Suffix:

<n> Window
Usage: Event

Manual operation: See "Default Settings" on page 186

CALCulate<n>:STATistics:SCALe:AUTO ONCE

This command initiates an automatic scaling of the diagram (x- and y-axis).

To obtain maximum resolution, the level range is set as a function of the measured spacing between peak power and the minimum power for the APD measurement and of the spacing between peak power and mean power for the CCDF measurement. In addition, the probability scale for the number of test points is adapted.

To get valid results, you have to perform a complete sweep with synchronization to the end of the auto range process. This is only possible in single sweep mode.

Suffix:

<n> Window

Parameters:

ONCE

Example: CALC:STAT:SCAL:AUTO ONCE; *WAI

Adapts the level setting for statistical measurements.

Usage: Event

Manual operation: See "Auto Scale Once/Auto Scale Window" on page 185

See "Adjust Settings" on page 186

CALCulate<n>:STATistics:SCALe:X:BCOunt <StatNofColumns>

This command defines the number of columns for the statistical distribution.

Suffix:

<n> Window

Setting parameters:

<StatNofColumns> numeric value

Range: 2 to 1024 *RST: 101 Default unit: NONE

Manual operation: See "Quantize" on page 186

CALCulate<n>:STATistics:SCALe:Y:LOWer < Magnitude>

This command defines the lower vertical limit of the diagram.

Suffix:

<n> Window

Parameters:

<Magnitude> The number is a statistical value and therefore dimensionless.

Range: 1E-9 to 0.1

*RST: 1E-6

Example: CALC:STAT:SCAL:Y:LOW 0.001

Manual operation: See "Defining Min and Max Values" on page 185

CALCulate<n>:STATistics:SCALe:Y:UPPer <Magnitude>

This command defines the upper vertical limit of the diagram.

Suffix:

<n> Window

Parameters:

<Magnitude> The number is a statistical value and therefore dimensionless.

Range: 1E-5 to 1.0

*RST: 1.0

Example: CALC:STAT:SCAL:Y:UPP 0.01

Manual operation: See "Defining Min and Max Values" on page 185

CALCulate<n>:STATistics:SCALe:Y:UNIT <Unit>

This command selects the unit of the y-axis.

Suffix:

<n> Window

Parameters:

<Unit> PCT | ABS

*RST: ABS

Example: CALC:STAT:SCAL:Y:UNIT PCT

Sets the percentage scale.

Manual operation: See "Y-Axis Unit" on page 188

CALCulate<n>:UNIT:ANGLe <Unit>

This command selects the global unit for phase results.

Suffix:

<n> irrelevant

Setting parameters:

<Unit> DEG | RAD

*RST: RAD

Manual operation: See "Y-Axis Unit" on page 188

CALCulate<n>:X:UNIT:TIME <Unit>

This command selects the unit (symbols or seconds) for the x axis.

Suffix:

<n> Window

Setting parameters:

<Unit> S | SYM

*RST: SYM

Manual operation: See "X-Axis Unit" on page 187

CALCulate<n>:Y:UNIT:TIME <Unit>

This command selects the unit (symbols or seconds) for the y axis of equalizer group delay measurements.

Suffix:

<n> Window

Setting parameters:

<Unit> S | SYM

*RST: SYM

Manual operation: See "Y-Axis Unit" on page 188

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:X[:SCALe]:PDIVision <PDiv>

This command defines the scaling of the x-axis for statistical result displays.

For all other result displays, this command is only available as a query.

Suffix:

<n> Window <t> Trace

Setting parameters:

<PDiv> numeric value

Defines the range per division (total range = 10*<PDiv>)

Manual operation: See "Range per Division" on page 187

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:X[:SCALe]:RPOSition <RPos>

This command defines the position of the reference value for the X axis.

Setting the position of the reference value is possible only for statistical result displays. All other result displays support the query only.

Suffix:

<n> Window <t> Trace

Setting parameters:

<RPos> numeric value

<numeric_value>

Example: DISP:TRAC:X:RPOS 30 PCT

The reference value is shifted by 30% towards the left.

Manual operation: See "X-Axis Reference Position" on page 186

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:X[:SCALe]:RVALue <RVal>

This command defines the reference value for the x-axis for statistical result displays.

For all other result displays, this command is only available as a query.

Suffix:

<n> Window <t> Trace

Setting parameters:

<RVal> numeric value

Reference value for the x-axis

Manual operation: See "X-Axis Reference Value" on page 186

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe] <Range>

This command defines the display range of the y-axis (for all traces).

Suffix:

<n> Window <t> irrelevant

Example: DISP:TRAC:Y 110dB

Usage: SCPI confirmed

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:PDIVision < Value>

This remote command determines the grid spacing on the Y-axis for all diagrams, where possible.

Suffix:

<n> Window <t> irrelevant

Parameters:

<Value> numeric value WITHOUT UNIT (unit according to the result dis-

play)

Defines the range per division (total range = 10*<Value>)

*RST: depends on the result display

Example: DISP:TRAC:Y:PDIV 10

Sets the grid spacing to 10 units (e.g. dB) per division

Manual operation: See "Range per Division" on page 186

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:RPOSition <Position>

This command defines the vertical position of the reference level on the display grid (for all traces).

The R&S FSW adjusts the scaling of the y-axis accordingly.

Suffix:

<n> Window <t> irrelevant

Example: DISP:TRAC:Y:RPOS 50PCT

Usage: SCPI confirmed

Manual operation: See "Y-Axis Reference Position" on page 185

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:RVALue < Value>

The command defines the power value assigned to the reference position in the grid (for all traces).

For external generator calibration measurements (requires the optional External Generator Control), this command defines the power offset value assigned to the reference position.

Suffix:

<n> Window <t> irrelevant

Parameters:

<Value> *RST: 0 dBm, coupled to reference level

Example: DISP:TRAC:Y:RVAL -20dBm

Sets the power value assigned to the reference position to -20

dBm

Manual operation: See "Y-Axis Reference Value" on page 185

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y:SPACing <ScalingType>

This command selects the scaling of the y-axis (for all traces, <t> is irrelevant).

Suffix:

<n> Window <t> Trace

Parameters:

<ScalingType> LOGarithmic

Logarithmic scaling.

LINear

Linear scaling in %.

LDB

Linear scaling in the specified unit.

PERCent

Linear scaling in %.

*RST: LOGarithmic

Example: DISP:TRAC:Y:SPAC LIN

Selects linear scaling in %.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

Manual operation: See "Y-Axis Unit" on page 188

11.5.3 Signal Capture

The signal capture commands define how much, how and when data is captured from the input signal.



MSRA/MSRT operating mode

In MSRA/MSRT operating mode, only the MSRA/MSRT Master channel actually captures data from the input signal. The data acquisition settings for the VSA slave application in MSRA/MSRT mode define the **slave application data extract** and **analysis interval**.

For details on the MSRA operating mode see the R&S FSW MSRA User Manual. For details on the MSRT operating mode see the R&S FSW Realtime User Manual.

The tasks for manual operation are described in Chapter 5.5, "Signal Capture", on page 188.

| [SENSe:]DDEMod:PRATe | 376 |
|--------------------------------|-----|
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:RLENgth:AUTO | |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:RLENgth[:VALue] | 377 |
| [SENSe:]SWAPiq | 377 |
| TRACe <n>:IQ:BWIDth?</n> | 377 |
| TRACe:IQ:WBANd[:STATe] | 378 |
| TRACe:IQ:WBANd:MBWIDTH | 378 |
| | |

[SENSe:]DDEMod:PRATe <CaptOverSmplg>

Defines the number of samples that are captured per symbol, i.e. the factor by which the symbol rate is multiplied to obtain the sample rate. This parameter also affects the demodulation bandwidth and thus the usable I/Q bandwidth.

The sample rate depends on the defined Symbol Rate (see Chapter 4.2, "Sample Rate, Symbol Rate and I/Q Bandwidth", on page 68).

Setting parameters:

<CaptOverSmplg> 4 | 8 | 16 | 32

The factor by which the symbol rate is multiplied to obtain the

sample rate, e.g. 4 samples per symbol:

sample rate = 4*symbol rate

*RST: 4

Manual operation: See "Sample Rate" on page 190

[SENSe:]DDEMod:RLENgth:AUTO <RecLengthAuto>

If enabled, the capture length is automatically adapted as required according to the current result length, burst and pattern search settings, and network-specific characteristics (e.g. burst and frame structures).

Setting parameters:

<RecLengthAuto> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

*RST: 1

Manual operation: See "Capture Length Settings" on page 189

[SENSe:]DDEMod:RLENgth[:VALue] < RecordLength >

This command defines the capture length for further processing, e.g. for burst search. The record length is defined in time (S, default) or symbols (SYM).

Note that the maximum record length depends on the sample rate for signal capture (see [SENSe:]DDEMod:PRATe on page 376). For the default value =4, the maximum is 64000 symbols. For larger sample rates, the maximum record length (in symbols) can be calculated as:

Recordlength_{MAX} = 256000/ <points per symbol>

Setting parameters:

<RecordLength> numeric value

*RST: 2.083 ms

Default unit: s (not symbols as in manual operation!)

Example: See Chapter 11.13.2, "Measurement Example 2: GSM EDGE

Burst Measurement Based on a Digital Standard", on page 500

Manual operation: See "Capture Length Settings" on page 189

[SENSe:]SWAPiq <State>

This command defines whether or not the recorded I/Q pairs should be swapped (I<>Q) before being processed. Swapping I and Q inverts the sideband.

This is useful if the DUT interchanged the I and Q parts of the signal; then the R&S FSW can do the same to compensate for it.

Parameters:

<State> ON

I and Q signals are interchanged

Inverted sideband, Q+j*I

OFF

I and Q signals are not interchanged

Normal sideband, I+j*Q

*RST: OFF

Manual operation: See "Swap I/Q" on page 191

TRACe<n>:IQ:BWIDth?

This command queries the bandwidth in Hz of the resampling filter ("Usable I/Q Bandwidth").

Suffix:

<n> Window

Usage: Query only

Manual operation: See "Usable I/Q Bandwidth" on page 191

TRACe:IQ:WBANd[:STATe] <State>

This command determines whether the wideband provided by bandwidth extension options is used or not (if installed).

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF

ON

If enabled, installed bandwidth extension options can be used. They are activated for bandwidths > 80 MHz, if the bandwidth is not restricted by the TRACe:IQ:WBANd:MBWIDTH command. Otherwise, the currently available maximum bandwidth is allowed (see Chapter 4.2.1, "Sample Rate and Maximum Usable I/Q Bandwidth for RF Input", on page 69).

This parameter corresponds to the "Auto" setting in manual operation (with TRACe: IQ: WBANd: MBWIDTH 320 MHZ).

OFF

The bandwidth extension options R&S FSW-B160/-B320/-B500/-B512 are deactivated; the maximum analysis bandwidth is restricted to 80 MHz. This parameter corresponds to the "80 MHz" setting in manual operation.

*RST: ON

Manual operation: See "Maximum Bandwidth" on page 190

TRACe:IQ:WBANd:MBWIDTH <Limit>

Defines the maximum analysis bandwidth. Any value can be specified; the next higher fixed bandwidth is used.

Defining a value other than "MAX" is useful if you want to specify the sample rate directly and at the same time, ensure a minimum bandwidth is available (see "Restricting the maximum bandwidth manually" on page 74).

Parameters:

<Limit> 80 MHz

Restricts the analysis bandwidth to a maximum of 80 MHz. The bandwidth extension option R&S FSW-B160/-B320/-B500/-

B512 is deactivated.

TRACe: IQ: WBANd[:STATe] is set to OFF.

160 MHz

Restricts the analysis bandwidth to a maximum of 160 MHz. The bandwidth extension option R&S FSW-B320 is deactivated. (Not available or required if bandwidth extension option R&S FSW-B500/ -B512 is installed.)

TRACe: IQ: WBANd[:STATe] is set to ON.

500 MHz | 320 MHz | MAX

All installed bandwidth extension options are activated. The currently available maximum bandwidth is allowed (see Chapter 4.2.1, "Sample Rate and Maximum Usable I/Q Bandwidth for DE Level" and the control of the con

RF Input", on page 69).

TRACe: IQ: WBANd[:STATe] is set to ON.

*RST: maximum available

Default unit: Hz

Example: TRAC:IQ:WBAN:MBW 82 MHZ

TRAC: IQ: WBAN: MBW?

Result if R&S FSW-B160/-B320 is active:

160000000

Example: TRAC:IQ:WBAN:MBW 82 MHZ

TRAC: IQ: WBAN: MBW?

Result if R&S FSW-B500 is active:

500000000

Manual operation: See "Maximum Bandwidth" on page 190

11.5.4 Triggering Measurements

The trigger commands define the beginning of a measurement.



MSRA/MSRT operating mode

In MSRA/MSRT operating mode, only the MSRA/MSRT Master channel actually captures data from the input signal. Thus, no trigger settings are available in the VSA slave application in MSRA/MSRT operating mode. However, a **capture offset** can be defined with a similar effect as a trigger offset. It defines an offset from the start of the captured data (from the MSRA/MSRT Master) to the start of the slave application data for vector signal analysis. (See Configuring an Analysis Interval and Line (MSRA mode only).)

For details on the MSRA operating mode see the R&S FSW MSRA User Manual. For details on the MSRT operating mode see the R&S FSW Realtime User Manual.

Tasks for manual configuration are described in Chapter 5.5.2, "Trigger Settings", on page 191.

| TRIGger[:SEQuence]:BBPower:HOLDoff | 380 |
|---|-----|
| TRIGger[:SEQuence]:DTIMe | 380 |
| TRIGger[:SEQuence]:HOLDoff[:TIME] | 381 |
| TRIGger[:SEQuence]:IFPower:HOLDoff | 381 |
| TRIGger[:SEQuence]:IFPower:HYSTeresis | 381 |
| TRIGger[:SEQuence]:LEVel:BBPower | 381 |
| TRIGger[:SEQuence]:LEVel[:EXTernal <port>]</port> | 382 |
| TRIGger[:SEQuence]:LEVel:IFPower | 382 |
| TRIGger[:SEQuence]:LEVel:IQPower | 383 |
| TRIGger[:SEQuence]:SLOPe | |
| TRIGger[:SEQuence]:SOURce | 383 |
| | |

TRIGger[:SEQuence]:BBPower:HOLDoff <Period>

This command defines the holding time before the baseband power trigger event.

The command requires the optional Digital Baseband Interface or the optional Analog Baseband Interface.

Note that this command is maintained for compatibility reasons only. Use the <code>TRIGger[:SEQuence]:IFPower:HOLDoff</code> on page 381 command for new remote control programs.

Parameters:

<Period> Range: 150 ns to 1000 s

*RST: 150 ns

Example: TRIG:SOUR BBP

Sets the baseband power trigger source.

TRIG:BBP:HOLD 200 ns Sets the holding time to 200 ns.

TRIGger[:SEQuence]:DTIMe < DropoutTime>

Defines the time the input signal must stay below the trigger level before a trigger is detected again.

For input from the Analog Baseband Interface (R&S FSW-B71) using the baseband power trigger (BBP), the default drop out time is set to 100 ns to avoid unintentional trigger events (as no hysteresis can be configured in this case).

Parameters:

<DropoutTime> Dropout time of the trigger.

Range: 0 s to 10.0 s

*RST: 0 s

Manual operation: See "Drop-Out Time" on page 197

TRIGger[:SEQuence]:HOLDoff[:TIME] <Offset>

Defines the time offset between the trigger event and the start of the measurement.

Parameters:

<Offset> The allowed range is 0 s to 30 s.

*RST: 0 s

Example: TRIG:HOLD 500us

Manual operation: See "Trigger Offset" on page 196

TRIGger[:SEQuence]:IFPower:HOLDoff <Period>

This command defines the holding time before the next trigger event.

Note that this command can be used for **any trigger source**, not just IF Power (despite the legacy keyword).

Note: If you perform gated measurements in combination with the IF Power trigger, the R&S FSW ignores the holding time for frequency sweep, FFT sweep, zero span and I/Q data measurements.

Parameters:

<Period> Range: 0 s to 10 s

*RST: 0 s

Example: TRIG:SOUR EXT

Sets an external trigger source. TRIG: IFP: HOLD 200 ns Sets the holding time to 200 ns.

Manual operation: See "Trigger Holdoff" on page 198

TRIGger[:SEQuence]:IFPower:HYSTeresis < Hysteresis >

This command defines the trigger hysteresis, which is only available for "IF Power" trigger sources.

Parameters:

<Hysteresis> Range: 3 dB to 50 dB

*RST: 3 dB

Example: TRIG:SOUR IFP

Sets the IF power trigger source.

TRIG: IFP: HYST 10DB

Sets the hysteresis limit value.

Manual operation: See "Hysteresis" on page 197

TRIGger[:SEQuence]:LEVel:BBPower <Level>

This command sets the level of the baseband power trigger.

This command is available for the optional Digital Baseband Interface and the optional Analog Baseband Interface.

Parameters:

<Level> Range: -50 dBm to +20 dBm

*RST: -20 dBm

Example: TRIG:LEV:BBP -30DBM

Manual operation: See "Trigger Level" on page 196

TRIGger[:SEQuence]:LEVel[:EXTernal<port>] <TriggerLevel>

This command defines the level the external signal must exceed to cause a trigger event.

Suffix:

<port> Selects the trigger port.

1 = trigger port 1 (TRIGGER INPUT connector on front panel)2 = trigger port 2 (TRIGGER INPUT/OUTPUT connector on front

panel)

3 = trigger port 3 (TRIGGER3 INPUT/OUTPUT connector on

rear panel)

Parameters:

<TriggerLevel> Range: 0.5 V to 3.5 V

*RST: 1.4 V

Example: TRIG:LEV 2V

Manual operation: See "Trigger Level" on page 196

TRIGger[:SEQuence]:LEVel:IFPower < TriggerLevel>

This command defines the power level at the third intermediate frequency that must be exceeded to cause a trigger event. Note that any RF attenuation or preamplification is considered when the trigger level is analyzed. If defined, a reference level offset is also considered.

For compatibility reasons, this command is also available for the "baseband power" trigger source when using the Analog Baseband Interface (R&S FSW-B71).

Parameters:

<TriggerLevel> For details on available trigger levels and trigger bandwidths see

the data sheet.

*RST: -10 dBm

Example: TRIG:LEV:IFP -30DBM

Manual operation: See "Trigger Level" on page 196

TRIGger[:SEQuence]:LEVel:IQPower <TriggerLevel>

This command defines the magnitude the I/Q data must exceed to cause a trigger event. Note that any RF attenuation or preamplification is considered when the trigger level is analyzed.

Parameters:

<TriggerLevel> Range: -130 dBm to 30 dBm

*RST: -20 dBm

Example: TRIG:LEV:IQP -30DBM

Manual operation: See "Trigger Level" on page 196

TRIGger[:SEQuence]:SLOPe <Type>

For all trigger sources except time you can define whether triggering occurs when the signal rises to the trigger level or falls down to it.

Parameters:

<Type> POSitive | NEGative

POSitive

Triggers when the signal rises to the trigger level (rising edge).

NEGative

Triggers when the signal drops to the trigger level (falling edge).

*RST: POSitive

Example: TRIG:SLOP NEG

Manual operation: See "Slope" on page 197

TRIGger[:SEQuence]:SOURce <Source>

This command selects the trigger source.

Note on external triggers:

If a measurement is configured to wait for an external trigger signal in a remote control program, remote control is blocked until the trigger is received and the program can continue. Make sure this situation is avoided in your remote control programs.

Parameters:

<Source>

IMMediate

Free Run

EXTernal

Trigger signal from the TRIGGER INPUT connector.

If the optional 2 GHz bandwidth extension (R&S FSW-B2000) is installed and active, this parameter activates the CH3 input connector on the oscilloscope. Then the R&S FSW triggers when the signal fed into the CH3 input connector on the oscilloscope meets or exceeds the specified trigger level.

Note: In previous firmware versions, the external trigger was connected to the CH2 input on the oscilloscope. As of firmware version R&S FSW 2.30, the **CH3** input on the oscilloscope must be used!

EXT2

Trigger signal from the TRIGGER INPUT/OUTPUT connector. Note: Connector must be configured for "Input".

FXT3

Trigger signal from the TRIGGER 3 INPUT/ OUTPUT connector. Note: Connector must be configured for "Input".

RFPower

First intermediate frequency

Not available for input from the optional Digital Baseband Interface or the optional Analog Baseband Interface.

IFPower

Second intermediate frequency

Not available for input from the optional Digital Baseband Interface. For input from the optional Analog Baseband Interface, this parameter is interpreted as BBPower for compatibility reasons.

IQPower

Magnitude of sampled I/Q data

For applications that process I/Q data, such as the I/Q Analyzer or optional applications.

Not available for input from the optional Digital Baseband Interface or the optional Analog Baseband Interface.

BBPower

Baseband power (for digital input via the optional Digital Baseband Interface

Baseband power (for digital input via the optional Digital Baseband Interface or the optional Analog Baseband interface

GP0 | GP1 | GP2 | GP3 | GP4 | GP5

For applications that process I/Q data, such as the I/Q Analyzer or optional applications, and only if the optional Digital Baseband Interface is available.

Defines triggering of the measurement directly via the LVDS connector. The parameter specifies which general purpose bit (0 to 5) will provide the trigger data.

The assignment of the general purpose bits used by the Digital IQ trigger to the LVDS connector pins is provided in "Digital I/Q"

on page 195.

*RST: IMMediate

Example: TRIG:SOUR EXT

Selects the external trigger input as source of the trigger signal

Manual operation: See "Trigger Source" on page 193

See "Free Run" on page 193

See "External Trigger 1/2/3" on page 193

See "External CH3" on page 194 See "IF Power" on page 194

See "Baseband Power" on page 195 See "I/Q Power" on page 195

See "Digital I/Q" on page 195

11.5.5 Configuring Sweeps

The sweep commands define how often data from the input signal is acquired and then evaluated.

Manual configuration of the sweeps is described in Chapter 5.5.3, "Sweep Settings", on page 198.

| 385 | [SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:MBURst:CAL |
|-----|----------------------------------|
| 385 | [SENSe:]SWEep:COUNt[:VALue] |
| 386 | [SENSe:]SWEep:COUNt:CURRent |

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:MBURst:CALC <SelResRangeNr>

Sets the result range to be displayed after a single sweep (e.g. a burst number).

Setting parameters:

<SelResRangeNr> numeric value

Range: 1 to 1000000

*RST: 1
Default unit: NONE

Example: See Chapter 11.13.2, "Measurement Example 2: GSM EDGE

Burst Measurement Based on a Digital Standard", on page 500.

Manual operation: See "Select Result Rng" on page 201

[SENSe:]SWEep:COUNt[:VALue] <SweepCount>

This command sets the statistics count.

For more information see "Statistic Count" on page 200.

Setting parameters:

<SweepCount> numeric value

0

activates "Auto" mode
numeric value > 0

Activates "Manual" mode and sets the statistics count to the cor-

responding number.

Range: 0 to 200000

*RST: 0
Default unit: NONE

Usage: SCPI confirmed

Manual operation: See "Statistic Count" on page 200

[SENSe:]SWEep:COUNt:CURRent <Counter>

This command queries the current statistics counter value which indicates how many result ranges have been evaluated. For results that use the capture buffer as a source, the number of used capture buffers can be queried.

Setting parameters:

<Counter> CAPTure | STATistics

STATistics

Returns the number of result ranges that have been evaluated.

CAPTure

Returns the number of used capture buffers evaluated.

*RST: STATistics

11.5.6 Configuring Bursts and Patterns

The burst and pattern search settings can be configured, and new patterns can be defined.

Manual configuration of bursts and patterns is described in Chapter 5.6, "Burst and Pattern Configuration", on page 201.

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11.5.6.1 Burst Search

The burst search commands define when a burst is detected in the analyzed signal.

| [SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:BURSt:AUTO | 387 |
|--|-----|
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:BURSt:CONFigure:AUTO | 387 |
| ISENSe:IDDFMod:SFARch:BURSt:GLFNgth[:MINimum]. | 387 |

| [SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:BURSt:MODE | 387 |
|---------------------------------------|-----|
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:BURSt:STATe | 388 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:BURSt:TOLerance | |

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:BURSt:AUTO <AutoBurstSearch>

This command links the burst search to the type of signal. When a signal is marked as bursted, burst search is switched on automatically.

Setting parameters:

<AutoBurstSearch> AUTO | MANual

*RST: AUTO

Manual operation: See "Enabling Burst Searches" on page 202

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:BURSt:CONFigure:AUTO <AutoConfigure>

This command sets the search tolerance and the min gap length to their default values.

Setting parameters:

<AutoConfigure> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

*RST: 1

Manual operation: See "Burst Configuration" on page 203

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:BURSt:GLENgth[:MINimum] < MinGapLength>

This command defines the minimum time between two bursts. A minimum time with decreased level must occur between two bursts. The default unit is symbol. The value can also be given in seconds.

Setting parameters:

<MinGapLength> numeric value

Range: 1 to 15000

*RST: 1
Default unit: SYM

Manual operation: See "Min Gap Length" on page 203

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:BURSt:MODE < MeasOnlyOnBurst>

This command sets the vector analyzer so that a measurement is performed only if a burst is found. The command is available only if the burst search is activated (see [SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:BURSt:STATe on page 388).

Setting parameters:

<MeasOnlyOnBurst> MEAS | BURS

MEAS

Measurement is always performed

BURS

Measurement is performed only if a burst is found

*RST: MEAS

Manual operation: See "Measuring only if burst was found" on page 202

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:BURSt:STATe <SearchState>

This command switches the search for a signal burst on or off.

Setting parameters:

<SearchState> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

*RST: 0

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:BURSt:TOLerance <SearchTolerance>

This command controls burst search tolerance.

Setting parameters:

<SearchTolerance> numeric value

Range: 0 to 100000

*RST: 4
Default unit: SYM

Manual operation: See "Search Tolerance" on page 203

11.5.6.2 Pattern Searches

The pattern search commands define when a pattern is detected in the analyzed signal.

| [SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:PATTern:CONFigure:AUTO | 388 |
|--|-----|
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:AUTO | |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:IQCThreshold | 389 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:MODE | 389 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:SELect | 390 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:STATe | 390 |

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:PATTern:CONFigure:AUTO < AutoConfigure >

This command sets the IQ correlation threshold to its default value.

Setting parameters:

<AutoConfigure> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

*RST: 1

Manual operation: See "I/Q Correlation Threshold" on page 204

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:AUTO < AutoPattSearch>

This command links the pattern search to the type of signal. When a signal is marked as patterned, pattern search is switched on automatically.

Setting parameters:

<AutoPattSearch> AUTO | MANual

*RST: AUTO

Manual operation: See "Enabling Pattern Searches" on page 204

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:IQCThreshold <CorrelationLev>

This command sets the IQ correlation threshold for pattern matching in percent. A high level means stricter matching.

Setting parameters:

<CorrelationLev> numeric value

Range: 10.0 to 100.0

*RST: 90.0 Default unit: PCT

Manual operation: See "I/Q Correlation Threshold" on page 204

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:MODE < MeasOnlyOnPatt>

This command sets the vector analyzer so that the measurement is performed only if the measurement was synchronous to the selected sync pattern.

The command is available only if the pattern search is activated (see [SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:STATe on page 390).

Setting parameters:

<MeasOnlyOnPatt> MEAS | SYNC

MEAS

The measurement is performed independently of successful synchronization

SYNC

The measured values are displayed and considered in the error evaluation only if the set sync pattern was found. Bursts with a wrong sync pattern (sync not found) are ignored. If an invalid or no sync pattern is found, the measurement waits and resumes running only when a valid sync pattern is found.

*RST: 0

Manual operation: See "Meas only if Pattern Symbols Correct" on page 205

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:SELect <Select>

This command selects a predefined sync pattern file.

Setting parameters:

<Select> string

Example: See Chapter 11.13.3, "Measurement Example 3: User-Defined

Pattern Search and Limit Check", on page 503.

Manual operation: See "Selected Pattern for Search" on page 205

See "Standard Patterns - selecting an assigned pattern"

on page 206

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:STATe <PatternSearch>

This command switches the search for a sync sequence on or off.

Setting parameters:

<PatternSearch> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

*RST: 0

Manual operation: See "Enabling Pattern Searches" on page 204

See "Pattern Search On" on page 208

11.5.6.3 Configuring Patterns

New patterns can be defined and assigned to a signal standard.

Useful commands for configuring patterns described elsewhere:

- [SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:STATe on page 390
- [SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:CATalog on page 330

Remote commands exclusive to configuring patterns:

| [SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:COMMent | 390 |
|---|-----|
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:COPY | 391 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:DELete | 391 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:DATA | 391 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:NAME | 392 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:NSTate | 392 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:PATTern:ADD | 393 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:PATTern:REMove | 393 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:TEXT | 393 |

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:COMMent < Comment>

This command defines a comment to a sync pattern. The pattern must have been selected before using [SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:NAME on page 392.

Setting parameters:

<Comment> string

Example: See Chapter 11.13.3, "Measurement Example 3: User-Defined

Pattern Search and Limit Check", on page 503.

Manual operation: See "Edit" on page 207

See "New" on page 207
See "Comment" on page 210

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:COPY <Pattern>

This command copies a pattern file. The pattern to be copied must have been selected before using [SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:NAME on page 392.

Tip: In manual operation, a pattern can be copied in the editor by storing it under a new name.

Setting parameters:

<Pattern> string

Example: :DDEM:SEAR:SYNC:NAME 'GSM TSCO'

Selects the pattern.

:DDEM:SEAR:SYNC:COPY 'GSM_PATT' Copies "GSM_TSCO" to GSM PATT.

Usage: Setting only

Manual operation: See "Save As" on page 207

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:DELete

This command deletes a sync sequence. The sync sequence to be deleted must have been selected before using [SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:NAME on page 392.

Usage: Event

Manual operation: See "Delete" on page 208

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:DATA <Data>

This command defines the sync sequence of a sync pattern. The pattern must have been selected before using [SENSe:] DDEMod:SEARCh:SYNC:NAME on page 392.

Important: The value range of a symbol depends on the degree of modulation,e.g. for an 8PSK modulation the value range is from 0 to 7. The degree of modulation belongs to the pattern and is set using the DDEM: SEAR: SYNC: NST command (see [SENSe:]DDEMod: SEARch: SYNC: NSTate on page 392).

Setting parameters:

<Data> string

Four values represent a symbol (hexadecimal format). The value

range of a symbol depends on the degree of modulation. With a degree of modulation of 4, all symbols have a value

range of: 0000, 0001, 0002, 0003 With a degree of modulation of 8:

0000, 0001, 0002, 0003, 0004, 0005, 0006, 0007

Example: DDEM:SEAR:SYNC:DATA '00010000FFFF'

Defines the pattern data.

Example: See Chapter 11.13.3, "Measurement Example 3: User-Defined

Pattern Search and Limit Check", on page 503.

Manual operation: See "Edit" on page 207

See "New" on page 207 See "Symbols" on page 210

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:NAME <Name>

This command selects a sync pattern for editing or for a new entry.

Setting parameters:

<Name> string

Example: See Chapter 11.13.3, "Measurement Example 3: User-Defined

Pattern Search and Limit Check", on page 503.

Manual operation: See "Edit" on page 207

See "New" on page 207 See "Name" on page 209

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:NSTate < NState >

This command selects the degree of modulation (number of permitted states). The pattern must have been selected before using using [SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:NAME on page 392.

The number of permitted states depends on the modulation mode.

Setting parameters:

<NState> numeric value

Example: See Chapter 11.13.3, "Measurement Example 3: User-Defined

Pattern Search and Limit Check", on page 503.

Manual operation: See "Mod. order" on page 210

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:PATTern:ADD <AddPattern>

This command adds a pattern to the current standard. Using the DDEM: SEAR: SYNC: SEL command, only those patterns can be selected which belong to the current standard (see [SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:SELect on page 390).

Setting parameters:

<AddPattern> string

Example: See Chapter 11.13.3, "Measurement Example 3: User-Defined

Pattern Search and Limit Check", on page 503.

Usage: Setting only

Manual operation: See "Adding patterns to a standard" on page 207

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:PATTern:REMove

This command deletes one or all patterns from the current standard.

Usage: Setting only

Manual operation: See "Removing patterns from a standard" on page 206

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:SYNC:TEXT <Text>

This command defines a text to explain the pattern. The text is displayed only in the selection menu (manual control). This text should be short and concise. Detailed information about the pattern is given in the comment (see [SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch: SYNC:COMMent on page 390).

Setting parameters:

<Text> string

Example: See Chapter 11.13.3, "Measurement Example 3: User-Defined

Pattern Search and Limit Check", on page 503.

Manual operation: See "Edit" on page 207

See "New" on page 207

See "Description" on page 209

11.5.7 Defining the Result Range

The result range determines which part of the capture buffer, burst or pattern is displayed.

Manual configuration of the result range is described in Chapter 5.7, "Result Range Configuration", on page 210.

Useful commands for result ranges described elsewhere:

- [SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:MBURst:STARt? on page 464
- DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:X[:SCALe]:STOP? on page 462

Remote commands exclusive to defining result ranges:

| CALCulate <n>:TRACe<t>:ADJust:ALIGnment[:DEFault]</t></n> | 394 |
|---|-----|
| CALCulate <n>:TRACe<t>:ADJust:ALIGnment:OFFSet</t></n> | |
| CALCulate <n>:TRACe<t>:ADJust[:VALue]</t></n> | 395 |
| DISPlay[:WINDow <n>]:TRACe<t>:X[:SCALe]:VOFFset</t></n> | 395 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:TIME | 395 |

CALCulate<n>:TRACe<t>:ADJust:ALIGnment[:DEFault] <Alignment>

This command defines where the reference point is to appear in the result range.

Suffix:

<n> Window <t> Trace

Setting parameters:

<Alignment> LEFT | CENTer | RIGHt

LEFT

The reference point is at the start of the result range.

CENTer

The reference point is in the middle of the result range.

RIGHt

The reference point is displayed at the end of the result range.

*RST: LEFT

Example: See Chapter 11.13.2, "Measurement Example 2: GSM EDGE

Burst Measurement Based on a Digital Standard", on page 500.

Manual operation: See "Alignment" on page 212

CALCulate<n>:TRACe<t>:ADJust:ALIGnment:OFFSet <FitOffset>

This command shifts the display range (relative to the reference time) by the number of given symbols. The resolution is 1 symbol. A value >0 results in a shift towards the right, and a value <0 results in a shift towards the left.

Suffix:

<n> Window <t> Trace

Setting parameters:

<FitOffset> numeric value

Range: -8000 to 8000

*RST: 0
Default unit: SYM

Example: See Chapter 11.13.2, "Measurement Example 2: GSM EDGE

Burst Measurement Based on a Digital Standard", on page 500.

Manual operation: See "Offset" on page 212

CALCulate<n>:TRACe<t>:ADJust[:VALue] <Reference>

This command defines the reference point for the display.

Suffix:

<n> Window <t> Trace

Setting parameters:

<Reference> TRIGger | BURSt | PATTern

TRIGger

The reference point is defined by the start of the capture buffer.

BURSt

The reference point is defined by the start/center/end of the

burst.

PATTern

The instrument selects the reference point and the alignment.

*RST: TRIGger

Example: See Chapter 11.13.2, "Measurement Example 2: GSM EDGE

Burst Measurement Based on a Digital Standard", on page 500.

Manual operation: See "Reference" on page 211

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:X[:SCALe]:VOFFset < VOffset>

This command defines an offset to numbering of the symbols (Except capture buffer).

Suffix:

<n> Window <t> Trace

Setting parameters:

<VOffset> numeric value

Range: -100000 to 100000

*RST: 0
Default unit: NONE

Example: See Chapter 11.13.2, "Measurement Example 2: GSM EDGE

Burst Measurement Based on a Digital Standard", on page 500.

Manual operation: See "Symbol Number at <Reference> Start" on page 212

[SENSe:]DDEMod:TIME <ResultLength>

The command determines the number of displayed symbols (result length).

Setting parameters:

<ResultLength> numeric value

Range: 10 to 64000

*RST: 800 Default unit: SYM

Example: See Chapter 11.13.2, "Measurement Example 2: GSM EDGE

Burst Measurement Based on a Digital Standard", on page 500.

Manual operation: See "Result Length" on page 211

11.5.8 Demodulation Settings

During demodulation of the vector signal some undesired effects that may occur during transmission can be compensated for. Furthermore, you can influence the synchronization process.

Manual configuration of the demodulation process is described in Chapter 5.8, "Demodulation Settings", on page 212.

| [SENSe:]DDEMod:ECALc[:MODE] | 396 |
|--|-----|
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:ECALc:OFFSet | |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:EPRate:AUTO | 397 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:EPRate[:VALue] | 398 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:EQUalizer:LENGth | 398 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:EQUalizer:LOAD | 399 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:EQUalizer:MODE | 399 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:EQUalizer:RESet | |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:EQUalizer:SAVE | 400 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:EQUalizer[:STATe] | 400 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:FSYNc:AUTO | 400 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:FSYNc:LEVel | 400 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:FSYNc:RESult? | 401 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:FSYNc[:MODE] | 401 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:KDATa:STATe | 401 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:KDATa[:NAME] | 402 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:NORMalize:ADRoop | 402 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:NORMalize:CFDRift | 402 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:NORMalize:CHANnel | 402 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:NORMalize:FDERror | 402 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:NORMalize:IQIMbalance | 403 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:NORMalize:IQOFfset | 403 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:NORMalize:SRERror | 403 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:OPTimization | 403 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:PATTern:SYNC:AUTO | 404 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:PATTern:SYNC[:STATe] | 404 |

[SENSe:]DDEMod:ECALc[:MODE] <EvmCalc>

This command defines the calculation formula for EVM.

Setting parameters:

<EvmCalc> SIGNal | SYMBol | MECPower | MACPower

SIGNal

Calculation normalized to the mean power of the reference signal at the symbol instants.

SYMBol

Calculation normalized to the maximum power of the reference signal at the symbol instants.

MECPower

Calculation normalized to the mean expected power of the measurement signal at the symbol instants

MACPower

Calculation normalized to the maximum expected power of the measurement signal at the symbol instants

*RST: SIGNal

Manual operation: See "Normalize EVM to" on page 217

[SENSe:]DDEMod:ECALc:OFFSet <EVMOffsetState>

Configures the way the VSA application calculates the error vector results for offset QPSK.

Setting parameters:

<EVMOffsetState> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

ON

VSA application compensates the delay of the Q component with respect to the I component in the measurement signal as well as the reference signal before calculating the error vector. That means that the error vector contains only one symbol instant per symbol period.

OFF

the VSA application substracts the measured signal from the reference signal to calculate the error vector. This method results in the fact that the error vector contains two symbol instants per symbol period: one that corresponds to the I component and one that corresponds to the Q component.

*RST: 1

Manual operation: See "Offset EVM" on page 220

[SENSe:]DDEMod:EPRate:AUTO < LinkMode>

Defines how many sample points are used at each symbol to calculate modulation accuracy results automatically.

If enabled, the VSA application uses the following settings, depending on the modulation type:

| Modulation | Est. Points |
|-------------|--|
| PSK, QAM | 1 |
| Offset QPSK | 2 |
| FSK, MSK | Sample rate (see [SENSe:]DDEMod:PRATe on page 376) |

Setting parameters:

<LinkMode> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

*RST: 1

Manual operation: See "Estimation Points/Sym" on page 218

[SENSe:]DDEMod:EPRate[:VALue] <EstOverSmplg>

Defines how many sample points are used at each symbol to calculate modulation accuracy results.

For more information see "Estimation points per symbol" on page 139.

You can also let the VSA application decide how many estimation points to use, see [SENSe:]DDEMod:EPRate:AUTO on page 397.

Setting parameters:

<EstOverSmplg>

the estimation algorithm takes only the symbol time instants into

account

2

two points per symbol instant are used (required for Offset

QPSK)

4 | 8 | 16 | 32

the number of samples per symbol defined in the signal capture settings is used (see [SENSe:]DDEMod:PRATe on page 376),

i.e. all sample time instants are weighted equally

*RST: 1

Manual operation: See "Estimation Points/Sym" on page 218

[SENSe:]DDEMod:EQUalizer:LENGth <FilterLength>

This command defines the length of the equalizer in terms of symbols.

Setting parameters:

<FilterLength> numeric value

Range: 1 to 256 *RST: 10 Default unit: SYM

Example: DDEM:EQU:LENG 101

Sets the equalizer length to 101 symbols.

Manual operation: See "Filter Length" on page 216

[SENSe:]DDEMod:EQUalizer:LOAD <Name>

This command selects a user-defined equalizer. The equalizer mode is automatically switched to USER (see [SENSe:]DDEMod:EQUalizer:MODE on page 399).

Setting parameters:

<Name> string

Path and file name (without extension)

Example: DDEM:EQU:LOAD 'D:\MyEqualizer'

Selects equalizer named MyEqualizer in directory D.

Manual operation: See "Store/Load Current Equalizer" on page 216

[SENSe:]DDEMod:EQUalizer:MODE < Mode>

Switches between the equalizer modes.

For details see Chapter 4.4.6, "The Equalizer", on page 115.

Setting parameters:

<Mode> NORMal

Switches the equalizer on for the next sweep.

TRACking

Switches the equalizer on; the results of the equalizer in the previous sweep are considered to calculate the new filter.

FREeze

The filter is no longer changed, the current equalizer values are used for subsequent sweeps.

USER

A user-defined equalizer loaded from a file is used.

AVERaging

Switches the equalizer on; the results of the equalizer in all previous sweeps (since the instrument was switched on or the equalizer was reset) are considered to calculate the new filter. To start a new averaging process, use the [SENSe:]DDEMod:

EQUalizer: RESet on page 400 command.

*RST: TRACe

Example: DDEM:EQU:MODE TRAC

Activates the tracking mode of the equalizer.

Manual operation: See "Mode" on page 215

[SENSe:]DDEMod:EQUalizer:RESet

This command deletes the data of the currently selected equalizer. After deletion, training can start again using the command DDEM: EQU: MODE TRA (see [SENSe:]DDEMod: EQUalizer: MODE on page 399).

Usage: Event

Manual operation: See "Reset Equalizer" on page 216

[SENSe:]DDEMod:EQUalizer:SAVE <Name>

This command saves the current equalizer results to a file.

Setting parameters:

<Name> string

File name

Example: DDEM:EQU:SAVE 'D:\MyEqualizer''

Saves the current equalizer results to D: \MyEqualizer.vae.

Manual operation: See "Store/Load Current Equalizer" on page 216

[SENSe:]DDEMod:EQUalizer[:STATe] <State>

This command activates or deactivates the equalizer.

For more information on the equalizer see Chapter 4.4.6, "The Equalizer", on page 115.

Setting parameters:

<State> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

*RST: OFF

Example: DDEM:EQU OFF

Manual operation: See "State" on page 215

[SENSe:]DDEMod:FSYNc:AUTO <FineSyncAuto>

This command selects manual or automatic Fine Sync

Setting parameters:

<FineSyncAuto> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

*RST: 1

Manual operation: See "Fine Synchronization" on page 219

[SENSe:]DDEMod:FSYNc:LEVel <SERLevel>

This command sets the Fine Sync Level if fine sync works on Known Data

Setting parameters:

<SERLevel> numeric value

> Range: 0.0 to 100.0

*RST: 10.0 Default unit: PCT

See "If SER ≤" on page 220 Manual operation:

[SENSe:]DDEMod:FSYNc:RESult?

The result of this guery is 0 if the fine sync with known data failed, otherwise 1.

Usage: Query only

Manual operation: See "Fine Synchronization" on page 219

[SENSe:]DDEMod:FSYNc[:MODE] <FineSync>

This command defines the fine synchronization mode used to calculate results, e.g. the bit error rate.

Note: You can define a maximum symbol error rate (SER) for the known data in reference to the analyzed data. If the SER of the known data exceeds this limit, the default synchronization using the detected data is performed. See [SENSe:]DDEMod: FSYNc: LEVel on page 400.

Setting parameters:

<FineSync> KDATa | PATTern | DDATa

KDATa

The reference signal is defined as the data sequence from the loaded Known Data file that most closely matches the measured data.

PATTern

The reference signal is estimated from the defined pattern. This setting requires an activated pattern search, see [SENSe:

| DDEMod: SEARch: SYNC: STATe on page 390.

(Default) The reference signal is estimated from the detected

data.

*RST: **DDATa**

See "Fine Synchronization" on page 219 Manual operation:

[SENSe:]DDEMod:KDATa:STATe <KnownDataState>

This command selects the Known Data state. The use of known data is a prerequisite for the BER measurement and can also be used for the fine sync.

Setting parameters:

<KnownDataState> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

*RST: 0

Manual operation: See "Known Data" on page 159

[SENSe:]DDEMod:KDATa[:NAME] <FileName>

This command selects the Known Data file

Setting parameters:

<FileName> string

Manual operation: See "Load Data File" on page 159

[SENSe:]DDEMod:NORMalize:ADRoop <CompAmptDroop>

This command switches the compensation of the amplitude droop on or off.

Setting parameters:

<CompAmptDroop> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

*RST: 1

Manual operation: See "Compensate for... (PSK, MSK, ASK, QAM)" on page 214

[SENSe:]DDEMod:NORMalize:CFDRift < CarrFreqDrift>

This command defines whether the carrier frequency drift is compensated for FSK modulation.

Setting parameters:

<CarrFreqDrift> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

*RST: 0

Manual operation: See "Compensate for... (FSK)" on page 215

[SENSe:]DDEMod:NORMalize:CHANnel < TransmitChannel >

This command switches the channel compensation on or off. (With equalizer only)

Setting parameters:

<TransmitChannel> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

*RST: 1

Manual operation: See "Compensate for... (PSK, MSK, ASK, QAM)" on page 214

[SENSe:]DDEMod:NORMalize:FDERror <RefDevComp>

This command defines whether the deviation error is compensated for when calculating the frequency error for FSK modulation.

Setting parameters:

<RefDevComp> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

ON

Scales the reference signal to the actual deviation of the mea-

surement signal.

OFF

Uses the entered nominal deviation for the reference signal.

*RST: 1

Manual operation: See "Compensate for... (FSK)" on page 215

[SENSe:]DDEMod:NORMalize:IQIMbalance < ComplQImbalance >

This command switches the compensation of the IQ imbalance on or off.

Setting parameters:

<ComplQImbalance> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

*RST: 0

Manual operation: See "Compensate for... (PSK, MSK, ASK, QAM)" on page 214

[SENSe:]DDEMod:NORMalize:IQOFfset < ComplQOffset>

This command switches the compensation of the IQ offset on or off.

Setting parameters:

<ComplQOffset> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

*RST: 1

Manual operation: See "Compensate for... (PSK, MSK, ASK, QAM)" on page 214

[SENSe:]DDEMod:NORMalize:SRERror <SymbolClockError>

This command switches the compensation for symbol rate error on or off

Setting parameters:

<SymbolClockError> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

*RST: 0

Manual operation: See "Compensate for... (PSK, MSK, ASK, QAM)" on page 214

[SENSe:]DDEMod:OPTimization < Criterion>

This command determines the optimization criteria for the demodulation. RMSMin Optimization goal is the minimization of RMS of the error vector. EVMMin Optimization goal is the minimization of the EVM.

Setting parameters:

<Criterion> RMSMin | EVMMin

RMSMin

Optimizes calculation such that the RMS of the error vector is

minimal.

EVMMin

Optimizes calculation such that EVM is minimal.

*RST: RMSMin (depends on selected standard)

Manual operation: See "Optimization" on page 218

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:PATTern:SYNC:AUTO <UseWfmForSync>

This command selects manual or automatic synchronization with a pattern waveform to speed up measurements.

Setting parameters:

<UseWfmForSync> AUTO | MANual

*RST: AUTO

Manual operation: See "Coarse Synchronization" on page 219

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:PATTern:SYNC[:STATe] <FastSync>

This command switches fast synchronization on and off, if you manually synchronize with a waveform pattern.

Setting parameters:

<FastSync> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

*RST: 0

Manual operation: See "Coarse Synchronization" on page 219

11.5.9 Measurement Filter Settings

You can configure the measurement filter to be used.

Manual configuration of the measurement filter is described in Chapter 5.9, "Measurement Filter Settings", on page 220.

For more information on measurement filters, refer to Chapter 4.1.4, "Measurement Filters", on page 64.

Useful commands for defining measurement filters described elsewhere:

- [SENSe:]DDEMod:FILTer:ALPHa on page 321
- [SENSe:]DDEMod:FILTer[:STATe] on page 321

Remote commands exclusive to configuring measurement filters:

| [SENSe:]DDEMod:MFILter:ALPHa | 405 |
|--------------------------------|-----|
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:MFILter:AUTO | 405 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:MFILter:NAME | |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:MFILter[:STATe] | |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:MFILter:USER | |
| | |

[SENSe:]DDEMod:MFILter:ALPHa < MeasFiltAlphaBT>

This command sets the alpha value of the measurement filter.

Setting parameters:

<MeasFiltAlphaBT> numeric value

Range: 0.1 to 1.0 *RST: 0.22 Default unit: NONE

Manual operation: See "Alpha/BT" on page 222

[SENSe:]DDEMod:MFILter:AUTO < MeasFilterAuto >

If this command is set to "ON", the measurement filter is defined automatically depending on the transmit filter (see [SENSe:]DDEMod:TFILter:NAME on page 327).

Setting parameters:

<MeasFilterAuto> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

*RST: ON

Manual operation: See "Using the Transmit Filter as a Measurement Filter (Auto)"

on page 221

[SENSe:]DDEMod:MFILter:NAME <Name>

This command selects a measurement filter and automatically sets its state to "ON".

Setting parameters:

<Name> Name of the measurement filter or 'User' for a user-defined filter.

An overview of available measurement filters is provided in

Chapter C.2, "Measurement Filters", on page 514.

Manual operation: See "Type" on page 221

[SENSe:]DDEMod:MFILter[:STATe] < MeasFilterState>

Use this command to switch the measurement filter off. To switch a measurement filter on, use the [SENSe:]DDEMod:MFILter:NAME command.

Setting parameters:

<MeasFilterState> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

OFF

Switches the measurement filter off.

ON

Switches the measurement filter specified by [SENSe:

] DDEMod:MFILter:NAME on. However, this command is not necessary, as the [SENSe:]DDEMod:MFILter:NAME com-

mand automatically switches the selected filter on.

*RST: 1

Manual operation: See "Type" on page 221

[SENSe:]DDEMod:MFILter:USER <FilterName>

This command selects the user-defined measurement filter.

For details on user-defined filters, see Chapter 4.1.5, "Customized Filters", on page 66.

Setting parameters:

<FilterName> Name of the user-defined filter

Example: SENS:DDEM:MFIL:NAME 'USER'

Selects user filter mode for the meas filter ENS:DDEM:MFIL:USER 'D:\MyMeasFilter'

Selects the user-defined meas filter

Manual operation: See "Type" on page 221

See "Load User Filter" on page 222

11.5.10 Defining the Evaluation Range

The evaluation range defines which range of the result is to be evaluated.

Manual configuration of the evaluation range is described in Chapter 5.10, "Evaluation Range Configuration", on page 222.

| CALCulate <n>:ELIN<startstop>:STATe</startstop></n> | 406 |
|---|-----|
| CALCulate <n>:ELIN<startstop>[:VALue]</startstop></n> | 407 |

CALCulate<n>:ELIN<startstop>:STATe <Auto>

This command restricts the evaluation range. The evaluation range is considered for the following display types:

- eye diagrams
- constellation diagrams
- modulation accuracy
- statistic displays
- spectrum displays

Suffix:

<n> Window

<startstop> 1..2

irrelevant

Setting parameters:

<Auto> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

ON

The evaluation range extends from the start value defined by

CALC:ELIN1:VAL to the stop value defined by CALC:ELIN2:VAL (see CALCulate<n>: ELIN<startstop>[:VALue] on page 407).

OFF

The complete result area is evaluated.

*RST: OFF

Example: See Chapter 11.13.2, "Measurement Example 2: GSM EDGE

Burst Measurement Based on a Digital Standard", on page 500.

Manual operation: See "Evaluating the Entire Result Range" on page 223

CALCulate<n>:ELIN<startstop>[:VALue] <LeftDisp>

Defines the start and stop values for the evaluation range (see CALCulate < n >: ELIN < startstop >: STATe on page 406).

Suffix:

<n> Window <startstop> 1..2

1: start value, 2: stop value

Setting parameters:

<LeftDisp> numeric value

Range: 0 to 1000000

*RST: 0
Default unit: SYM

Example: See Chapter 11.13.2, "Measurement Example 2: GSM EDGE

Burst Measurement Based on a Digital Standard", on page 500.

Manual operation: See "Start / Stop" on page 223

11.5.11 Adjusting Settings Automatically

Some settings can be adjusted by the R&S FSW automatically according to the current measurement settings.

Manual execution of automatic adjustment functions is described in Chapter 5.11, "Adjusting Settings Automatically", on page 224.

| DISPlay[:WINDow <n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:AUTO ONCE</t></n> | 408 |
|---|-----|
| DISPlay[:WINDow <n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:AUTO:ALL</t></n> | |
| [SENSe:]ADJust:CONFigure:DURation | 408 |
| [SENSe:]ADJust:CONFigure:DURation:MODE | |
| [SENSe:]ADJust:CONFigure:HYSTeresis:LOWer | |
| [SENSe:]ADJust:CONFigure:HYSTeresis:UPPer | |
| [SENSe:]ADJust:CONFigure:TRIG | 410 |
| [SENSe:]ADJust:LEVel | |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:PRESet:RLEVel | |
| kan tara da | - |

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:AUTO ONCE

Automatic scaling of the y-axis is performed once, then switched off again (for all traces).

(Not available for statistical results.)

Suffix:

<n> Window <t> irrelevant

Usage: SCPI confirmed

Manual operation: See "Auto Scale Once/Auto Scale Window" on page 185

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:AUTO:ALL

Automatic scaling of the y-axis is performed once in all windows, then switched off again.

Suffix:

<n> Window <t> Trace Usage: Event

Manual operation: See "Auto Scale All" on page 226

[SENSe:]ADJust:CONFigure:DURation < Duration>

In order to determine the ideal reference level, the R&S FSW performs a measurement on the current input data. This command defines the length of the measurement if [SENSe:]ADJust:CONFigure:DURation:MODE is set to MANual.

Parameters:

<Duration> Numeric value in seconds

Range: 0.001 to 16000.0

*RST: 0.001 Default unit: s

Example: ADJ:CONF:DUR:MODE MAN

Selects manual definition of the measurement length.

ADJ:CONF:LEV:DUR 5ms

Length of the measurement is 5 ms.

Manual operation: See "Changing the Automatic Measurement Time (Meastime

Manual)" on page 225

[SENSe:]ADJust:CONFigure:DURation:MODE < Mode>

In order to determine the ideal reference level, the R&S FSW performs a measurement on the current input data. This command selects the way the R&S FSW determines the length of the measurement .

Parameters:

<Mode> AUTO

The R&S FSW determines the measurement length automati-

cally according to the current input data.

MANual

The R&S FSW uses the measurement length defined by [SENSe:]ADJust:CONFigure:DURation on page 408.

*RST: AUTO

Manual operation: See "Resetting the Automatic Measurement Time (Meastime

Auto)" on page 225

See "Changing the Automatic Measurement Time (Meastime

Manual)" on page 225

[SENSe:]ADJust:CONFigure:HYSTeresis:LOWer <Threshold>

When the reference level is adjusted automatically using the [SENSe:]ADJust:
LEVel on page 410 command, the internal attenuators and the preamplifier are also adjusted. In order to avoid frequent adaptation due to small changes in the input signal, you can define a hysteresis. This setting defines a lower threshold the signal must fall below (compared to the last measurement) before the reference level is adapted automatically.

Parameters:

<Threshold> Range: 0 dB to 200 dB

*RST: +1 dB Default unit: dB

Example: SENS:ADJ:CONF:HYST:LOW 2

For an input signal level of currently 20 dBm, the reference level will only be adjusted when the signal level falls below 18 dBm.

Manual operation: See "Lower Level Hysteresis" on page 225

[SENSe:]ADJust:CONFigure:HYSTeresis:UPPer <Threshold>

When the reference level is adjusted automatically using the [SENSe:]ADJust: LEVel on page 410 command, the internal attenuators and the preamplifier are also adjusted. In order to avoid frequent adaptation due to small changes in the input signal, you can define a hysteresis. This setting defines an upper threshold the signal must exceed (compared to the last measurement) before the reference level is adapted automatically.

Parameters:

<Threshold> Range: 0 dB to 200 dB

*RST: +1 dB Default unit: dB

Example: SENS:ADJ:CONF:HYST:UPP 2

Example: For an input signal level of currently 20 dBm, the reference level

will only be adjusted when the signal level rises above 22 dBm.

Manual operation: See "Upper Level Hysteresis" on page 225

[SENSe:]ADJust:CONFigure:TRIG <State>

Defines the behavior of the measurement when adjusting a setting automatically (using SENS:ADJ:LEV ON, for example).

Parameters:

<State> ON | 1

The measurement for automatic adjustment waits for the trigger.

OFF | 0

The measurement for automatic adjustment is performed imme-

diately, without waiting for a trigger.

*RST: 1

[SENSe:]ADJust:LEVel

[SENSe:]DDEMod:PRESet:RLEVel

This command initiates a measurement that evaluates and sets the ideal reference level for the current measurement. This ensures that the settings of the RF attenuation and the reference level are optimally adjusted to the signal level without overloading the R&S FSW or limiting the dynamic range by an S/N ratio that is too small.

Usage: Event

11.6 Performing a Measurement

When the VSA application is activated, a continuous sweep is performed automatically. However, you can stop and start a new measurement any time.

Furthermore, you can perform a sequence of measurements using the Sequencer (see "Multiple Measurement Channels and Sequencer Function" on page 13).

| ABORt | 411 |
|--|-----|
| INITiate <n>:CONMeas</n> | 412 |
| INITiate <n>:CONTinuous</n> | 412 |
| INITiate <n>[:IMMediate]</n> | 413 |
| INITiate:REFMeas | 413 |
| INITiate <n>:REFResh</n> | 413 |
| INITiate <n>:SEQuencer:REFResh[:ALL]</n> | 414 |
| INITiate <n>:SEQuencer:ABORt</n> | 414 |
| INITiate <n>:SEQuencer:IMMediate</n> | 415 |
| INITiate <n>:SEQuencer:MODE</n> | 415 |
| SYSTem:SEQuencer | 416 |
| | |

ABORt

This command aborts the measurement in the current measurement 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 FSW User Manual.

To abort a sequence of measurements by the Sequencer, use the INITiate<n>: SEQuencer: ABORt command.

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 FSW 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 FSW on a parallel channel to clear all currently active remote channels. Depending on the used interface and protocol, send the following commands:

Visa: viClear()GPIB: ibclr()RSIB: RSDLLibclr()

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

SCPI confirmed

INITiate<n>:CONMeas

This command restarts a (single) measurement that has been stopped (using ABORt) or finished in single measurement mode.

The measurement is restarted at the beginning, not where the previous measurement was stopped.

As opposed to INITiate<n>[:IMMediate], this command does not reset traces in maxhold, minhold or average mode. Therefore it can be used to continue measurements using maxhold or averaging functions.

Suffix:

<n> irrelevant

Usage: Event

Manual operation: See "Continue Single Sweep" on page 199

INITiate<n>:CONTinuous <State>

This command controls the measurement mode for an individual measurement channel.

Note that in single measurement mode, you can synchronize to the end of the measurement with *OPC, *OPC? or *WAI. In continuous measurement mode, synchronization to the end of the measurement is not possible. Thus, it is not recommended that you use continuous measurement mode in remote control, as results like trace data or markers are only valid after a single measurement end synchronization.

For details on synchronization see the "Remote Basics" chapter in the R&S FSW User Manual.

If the measurement mode is changed for a measurement channel while the Sequencer is active (see INITiate<n>: SEQuencer: IMMediate on page 415) the mode is only considered the next time the measurement in that channel is activated by the Sequencer.

Suffix:

<n> irrelevant

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF | 0 | 1

ON | 1

Continuous measurement

OFF | 0

Single measurement

*RST: 1

Example: INIT:CONT OFF

Switches the measurement mode to single measurement.

INIT: CONT ON

Switches the measurement mode to continuous measurement.

Manual operation: See "Continuous Sweep/RUN CONT" on page 198

INITiate<n>[:IMMediate]

This command starts a (single) new measurement.

For a statistics count > 0, this means a restart of the corresponding number of measurements. With trace mode MAXHold, MINHold and AVERage, the previous results are reset on restarting the 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 FSW User Manual.

Suffix:

<n> irrelevant Usage: Event

Manual operation: See "Single Sweep/ RUN SINGLE" on page 199

INITiate: REFMeas

Repeats the evaluation of the data currently in the capture buffer without capturing new data. This is useful after changing settings, for example filters, patterns or evaluation ranges.

Usage: Event

Manual operation: See "Refresh (non-Multistandard mode)" on page 200

INITiate<n>:REFResh

This function is only available if the Sequencer is deactivated (SYSTem: SEQuencer SYST:SEQ:OFF) and only for slave applications in MSRA/MSRT mode, not the MSRA/MSRT Master.

The data in the capture buffer is re-evaluated by the currently active slave application only. The results for any other slave applications remain unchanged.

Suffix:

<n> irrelevant

Example: SYST:SEQ:OFF

Deactivates the scheduler

INIT: CONT OFF

Switches to single sweep mode.

INIT; *WAI

Starts a new data measurement and waits for the end of the

sweep.

INST:SEL 'IQ ANALYZER' Selects the IQ Analyzer channel.

INIT: REFR

Refreshes the display for the I/Q Analyzer channel.

Usage: Event

Manual operation: See "Refresh (MSRA/MSRT only)" on page 200

INITiate<n>:SEQuencer:REFResh[:ALL]

This function is only available if the Sequencer is deactivated (SYSTem: SEQuencer SYST:SEQ:OFF) and only in MSRA/MSRT mode.

The data in the capture buffer is re-evaluated by all active MSRA/MSRT slave applications.

Suffix:

<n> irrelevant

Example: SYST:SEQ:OFF

Deactivates the scheduler

INIT: CONT OFF

Switches to single sweep mode.

INIT; *WAI

Starts a new data measurement and waits for the end of the

sweep.

INIT:SEQ:REFR

Refreshes the display for all channels.

Usage: Event

INITiate<n>:SEQuencer:ABORt

This command stops the currently active sequence of measurements. The Sequencer itself is not deactivated, so you can start a new sequence immediately using INITiate<n>: SEQuencer: IMMediate on page 415.

To deactivate the Sequencer use SYSTem: SEQuencer on page 416.

Suffix:

<n> irrelevant

Usage: Event

INITiate<n>: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 416).

Suffix:

<n> irrelevant

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.

Usage: Event

INITiate<n>:SEQuencer:MODE < Mode>

This command selects the way the R&S FSW application performs measurements sequentially.

Before this command can be executed, the Sequencer must be activated (see SYSTem: SEQuencer on page 416).

A detailed programming example is provided in the "Operating Modes" chapter in the R&S FSW User Manual.

Note: In order to synchronize to the end of a sequential measurement using *OPC, *OPC? or *WAI you must use SINGle Sequence mode.

For details on synchronization see the "Remote Basics" chapter in the R&S FSW User Manual.

Suffix:

<n> irrelevant

Parameters:

<Mode> SINGle

Each measurement is performed once (regardless of the channel's sweep mode), considering each channels' sweep count, until all measurements in all active channels have been performed.

CONTinuous

The measurements in each active channel are performed one after the other, repeatedly (regardless of the channel's sweep mode), in the same order, until the Sequencer is stopped.

CDEFined

First, a single sequence is performed. Then, only those channels in continuous sweep mode (INIT: CONT ON) are repeated.

*RST: CONTinuous

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.

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 FSW 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 measurements are stopped. Further Sequencer commands (INIT:

SEQ...) are not available.

*RST: 0

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

11.7 Analysis

General result analysis settings concerning the trace, markers, windows etc. can be configured.

| • | Configuring Traces | 417 |
|---|--|-----|
| | Working with Markers | |
| | Configuring Display Lines for Eye Diagrams | |
| | Configuring Modulation Accuracy Limit Lines | |
| | Configuring an Analysis Interval and Line (MSRA mode only) | |
| | Configuring an Analysis Interval and Line (MSRT mode only) | |

11.7.1 Configuring Traces

The trace settings determine how the measured data is analyzed and displayed on the screen. Depending on the result display, between 1 and 6 traces may be displayed.

Manual configuration of traces is described in Chapter 6.1, "Trace Settings", on page 227.



Commands for storing trace data are described in Chapter 11.9.1, "Retrieving Trace Data and Marker Values", on page 460.

Useful commands for trace configuration described elsewhere:

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe] on page 374

Remote commands exclusive to trace configuration:

| CALCulate <n>:TRACe<t>[:VALue]</t></n> | 417 |
|---|-----|
| DISPlay[:WINDow <n>]:TRACe<t>:MODE</t></n> | |
| DISPlay[:WINDow <n>]:TRACe<t>[:STATe]</t></n> | 419 |

CALCulate<n>:TRACe<t>[:VALue] < TrRefType>

This commands selects the signal to be used as the data source for a trace.

Suffix:

<n> Window

<t> Trace

Setting parameters:

<TrRefType> MEAS

Measurement signal

REF

Reference signal

ERR Error TCAP

Capture buffer

*RST: Depends on the current measurement.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

Manual operation: See "Evaluation" on page 229

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:MODE < Mode>

This command selects the trace mode.

In case of max hold, min hold or average trace mode, you can set the number of single measurements with <code>[SENSe:]SWEep:COUNt[:VALue]</code>. Note that synchronization to the end of the measurement is possible only in single sweep mode. Depending on the result display, not all trace modes may be available.

Suffix:

<n> Window

<t> Trace

Parameters:

<Mode> WRITe

Overwrite mode: the trace is overwritten by each sweep. This is the default setting.

AVERage

The average is formed over several sweeps. The "Sweep/Average Count" determines the number of averaging procedures.

MAXHold

The maximum value is determined over several sweeps and displayed. The R&S FSW saves the sweep result in the trace memory only if the new value is greater than the previous one.

MINHold

The minimum value is determined from several measurements and displayed. The R&S FSW saves the sweep result in the trace memory only if the new value is lower than the previous one.

VIEW

The current contents of the trace memory are frozen and displayed.

BLANk

Hides the selected trace.

*RST: Trace 1: WRITe, Trace 2-6: 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 "Trace Mode" on page 228

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>[:STATe] <State>

This command turns a trace on and off.

The measurement continues in the background.

Suffix:

<n> Window <t> Trace

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

*RST: 1 for TRACe1, 0 for TRACe 2 to 6

Example: DISP:TRAC3 ON

Usage: SCPI confirmed

Manual operation: See "Trace 1/Trace 2/Trace 3/Trace 4/Trace 5/Trace 6"

on page 228

See "Trace 1/Trace 2/Trace 3/Trace 4 (Softkeys)" on page 229

11.7.2 Working with Markers

Markers help you analyze your measurement results by determining particular values in the diagram. Thus you can extract numeric values from a graphical display.

Manual configuration of markers is described in Chapter 6.3, "Markers", on page 231.

- 11.7.2.1 Individual Marker Settings

In VSA evaluations, up to 5 markers can be activated in each diagram at any time.

| CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:AOFF</m></n> | 420 |
|--|-----|
| CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:LINK</m></n> | 421 |
| CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>[:STATe]</m></n> | 421 |
| CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:TRACe</m></n> | 421 |
| CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:X</m></n> | 422 |
| CALCulate <n>:DELTamarker<m>:AOFF</m></n> | 422 |
| CALCulate <n>:DELTamarker<m>[:STATe]</m></n> | 422 |
| CALCulate <n>:DELTamarker<m>:TRACe</m></n> | 423 |
| CALCulate <n>:DELTamarker<m>:X</m></n> | 423 |
| CALCulate <n>:DELTamarker<m>:Y?</m></n> | 423 |

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:AOFF

This command turns all markers off.

Suffix:

<n> Window <m> Marker

Example: CALC:MARK:AOFF

Switches off all markers.

Usage: Event

Manual operation: See "All Markers Off" on page 233

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:LINK <MarkerCoupling>

With this command markers between several screens can be coupled, i.e. use the same x-value. All screens can be linked with the marker x-value scaled in symbols or time, except those showing the capture buffer. If several capture buffer measurements are visible, their markers are coupled, too.

Suffix:

<n> Window <m> Marker

Setting parameters:

<MarkerCoupling> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

*RST: 0

Manual operation: See "Couple Windows" on page 233

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>[:STATe] <State>

This command turns markers on and off. If the corresponding marker number is currently active as a deltamarker, it is turned into a normal marker.

Suffix:

<n> Window <m> Marker

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF

*RST: OFF

Example: CALC:MARK3 ON

Switches on marker 3.

Manual operation: See "Marker State" on page 232

See "Marker Type" on page 233

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 6

Trace number the marker is assigned to.

Example: CALC:MARK3:TRAC 2

Assigns marker 3 to trace 2.

Manual operation: See "Assigning the Marker to a Trace" on page 233

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:X <Position>

This command moves a marker to a particular 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.

Suffix:

<m> Marker (query: 1 to 16)

<n> Window

Parameters:

<Position> Numeric value that defines the marker position on the x-axis.

Range: The range depends on the current x-axis range.

Example: CALC:MARK2:X 1.7MHz

Positions marker 2 to frequency 1.7 MHz.

Manual operation: See "X-value" on page 232

CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:AOFF

This command turns all delta markers off.

Suffix:

<n> Window <m> irrelevant

Example: CALC: DELT: AOFF

Turns all delta markers off.

Usage: Event

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

*RST: OFF

Example: CALC: DELT2 ON

Turns on delta marker 2.

Manual operation: See "Marker State" on page 232

See "Marker Type" on page 233

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:

<m> Marker

Example: CALC: DELT: X?

Outputs the absolute x-value of delta marker 1.

Manual operation: See "X-value" on page 232

CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:Y?

This command queries the relative position of a delta marker on the y-axis.

If necessary, the command activates the delta marker first.

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 measurement mode.

See also INITiate<n>: CONTinuous on page 412.

The unit depends on the application of the command.

Suffix:

<m> Marker <n> Window

Return values:

<Position> Position of the delta marker in relation to the reference marker or

the fixed reference.

Example: INIT: CONT OFF

Switches to single sweep mode.

INIT; *WAI

Starts a sweep and waits for its end.

CALC:DELT2 ON

Switches on delta marker 2.

CALC: DELT2: Y?

Outputs measurement value of delta marker 2.

Usage: Query only

11.7.2.2 Marker Search and Positioning Settings

Several functions are available to set the marker to a specific position very quickly and easily. In order to determine the required marker position, searches may be performed. The search results can be influenced by special settings.

Useful commands for positioning markers described elsewhere:

- CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:TRACe on page 421
- CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:TRACe on page 423

Remote commands exclusive to positioning markers:

| CALCulate <n>:DELTamarker<m>:MAXimum:APEak</m></n> | .425 |
|---|-------|
| CALCulate <n>:DELTamarker<m>:MAXimum:LEFT</m></n> | .425 |
| CALCulate <n>:DELTamarker<m>:MAXimum:NEXT</m></n> | . 425 |
| CALCulate <n>:DELTamarker<m>:MAXimum[:PEAK]</m></n> | . 425 |
| CALCulate <n>:DELTamarker<m>:MAXimum:RIGHt</m></n> | .426 |
| CALCulate <n>:DELTamarker<m>:MINimum:LEFT</m></n> | .426 |
| CALCulate <n>:DELTamarker<m>:MINimum:NEXT</m></n> | . 426 |
| CALCulate <n>:DELTamarker<m>:MINimum[:PEAK]</m></n> | 426 |
| CALCulate <n>:DELTamarker<m>:MINimum:RIGHt</m></n> | .427 |
| CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:MAXimum:APEak</m></n> | .427 |
| CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:MAXimum:LEFT</m></n> | .427 |
| CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:MAXimum:NEXT</m></n> | . 428 |
| CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:MAXimum:RIGHt</m></n> | .428 |
| CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:MAXimum[:PEAK]</m></n> | . 428 |
| CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:MINimum:LEFT</m></n> | .428 |
| CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:MINimum:NEXT</m></n> | . 429 |
| CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:MINimum:RIGHt</m></n> | .429 |

| CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:MINimum[:PEAK]</m></n> | 429 |
|---|-----|
| CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:SEARch</m></n> | |
| CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:X:SLIMits:LEFT</m></n> | 430 |
| CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:X:SLIMits:RIGHT</m></n> | 430 |
| CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:X:SLIMits[:STATe]</m></n> | 431 |

CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MAXimum:APEak

This command positions the active marker or deltamarker on the largest absolute peak value (maximum or minimum) of the selected trace.

Suffix:

<n> Window <m> Marker Usage: Event

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 Usage: Event

Manual operation: See "Search Next Peak" on page 235

CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MAXimum:NEXT

This command moves a marker to the next higher value.

Suffix:

<n> Window <m> Marker Usage: Event

Manual operation: See "Search Next Peak" on page 235

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
Usage: Event

Manual operation: See "Peak Search" on page 235

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 Usage: Event

Manual operation: See "Search Next Peak" on page 235

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.

Suffix:

<n> window
<m> Marker
Usage: Event

Manual operation: See "Search Next Minimum" on page 235

CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MINimum:NEXT

This command moves a marker to the next higher minimum value.

Suffix:

<n> Window <m> Marker Usage: Event

Manual operation: See "Search Next Minimum" on page 235

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
Usage: Event

Manual operation: See "Search Minimum" on page 235

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 Usage: Event

Manual operation: See "Search Next Minimum" on page 235

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MAXimum:APEak

sets the marker to the largest absolute peak value (maximum or minimum) of the selected trace.

Suffix:

<n> Window <m> Marker Usage: Event

Manual operation: See "Max |Peak|" on page 235

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 Usage: Event

Manual operation: See "Search Next Peak" on page 235

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MAXimum:NEXT

This command moves a marker to the next lower peak.

Suffix:

<n> window <m> Marker Usage: Event

Manual operation: See "Search Next Peak" on page 235

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 Usage: Event

Manual operation: See "Search Next Peak" on page 235

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 Usage: Event

Manual operation: See "Peak Search" on page 235

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 Usage: Event

Manual operation: See "Search Next Minimum" on page 235

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MINimum:NEXT

This command moves a marker to the next minimum value.

Suffix:

<n> Window <m> Marker Usage: Event

Manual operation: See "Search Next Minimum" on page 235

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
Usage: Event

Manual operation: See "Search Next Minimum" on page 235

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 Usage: Event

Manual operation: See "Search Minimum" on page 235

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:SEARch <MarkRealImag>

This command specifies whether the marker search works on the real or the imag trace (for all markers).

Suffix:

<n> Window <m> Marker

Setting parameters:

<MarkRealImag> REAL | IMAG

*RST: REAL

Manual operation: See "Real / Imag Plot" on page 234

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:X:SLIMits:LEFT <SearchLimit>

This command defines the left limit of the marker search range for *all* markers in *all* windows.

If you perform a measurement in the time domain, this command limits the range of the trace to be analyzed.

Suffix:

<n>, <m> irrelevant

Parameters:

<SearchLimit> The value range depends on the frequency range or measure-

ment time.

The unit is Hz for frequency domain measurements and s for

time domain measurements.
*RST: left diagram border

<Limit> Range: -1e9 to 1e9

*RST: 0.0

Example: CALC:MARK:X:SLIM ON

Switches the search limit function on. CALC:MARK:X:SLIM:LEFT 10MHz

Sets the left limit of the search range to 10 MHz.

Manual operation: See "Search Limits (Left / Right)" on page 234

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:X:SLIMits:RIGHT <SearchLimit>

This command defines the right limit of the marker search range for *all* markers in *all* windows.

If you perform a measurement in the time domain, this command limits the range of the trace to be analyzed.

Suffix:

<n>, <m> irrelevant

Parameters:

<Limit> The value range depends on the frequency range or measure-

ment time.

The unit is Hz for frequency domain measurements and s for

time domain measurements.

*RST: right diagram border

<Limit> Range: -1e9 to 1e9

*RST: 800.0

Example: CALC:MARK:X:SLIM ON

Switches the search limit function on. CALC:MARK:X:SLIM:RIGH 20MHz

Sets the right limit of the search range to 20 MHz.

Manual operation: See "Search Limits (Left / Right)" on page 234

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:X:SLIMits[:STATe] <State>

This command turns marker search limits on and off for all markers in all windows.

If you perform a measurement in the time domain, this command limits the range of the trace to be analyzed.

Suffix:

<n>, <m> irrelevant

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF

*RST: OFF

Example: CALC:MARK:X:SLIM ON

Switches on search limitation.

Manual operation: See "Search Limits (Left / Right)" on page 234

11.7.3 Configuring Display Lines for Eye Diagrams

For eye diagrams, display lines allow you to measure the size of the eye in the diagram. For other result displays, lines are not available.

| CALCulate <n>:DLABs:STATe</n> | 431 |
|---------------------------------|-----|
| CALCulate <n>:DLABs[:VALue]</n> | 432 |
| CALCulate <n>:DLRel:STATe</n> | 432 |
| CALCulate <n>:DLRel[:VALue]</n> | 433 |
| CALCulate <n>:TLABs:STATe</n> | |
| CALCulate <n>:TLABs[:VALue]</n> | 434 |
| CALCulate <n>:TLRel:STATe</n> | |
| CALCulate <n>:TLRel[:VALue]</n> | |
| | |

CALCulate<n>:DLABs:STATe <State>

Displays an absolute horizontal line in the specified window. This command is only available for eye diagrams.

Suffix:

<n> Window

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF

*RST: OFF

Example: Display eye diagram in window 2.

LAY:ADD? '1',BEL,MEAS

CALC2:FORM QEYE

Display absolute horizontal line. CALC2: DLAB: STAT ON

Query y-value of absolute horizontal line.

CALC2:DLAB:VAL?

Manual operation: See "Horizontal Line" on page 236

CALCulate<n>:DLABs[:VALue] <HorAbsPos>

Defines value of horizontal absolute line

Suffix:

<n> Window

Setting parameters:

<HorAbsPos> numeric value

Y-value of the absolute horizontal line.

Range: -1e9 to 1e9

*RST: 0
Default unit: NONE

Example: Display eye diagram in window 2.

LAY:ADD? '1', BEL, MEAS

CALC2: FORM QEYE

Display absolute horizontal line.

CALC2:DLAB:STAT ON

Query y-value of absolute horizontal line.

CALC2:DLAB:VAL?

Manual operation: See "Horizontal Line" on page 236

CALCulate<n>:DLRel:STATe <State>

Displays a relative horizontal line in the specified window. This command is only available for eye diagrams, and only if an absolute horizontal line is already available in the same diagram (see CALCulate<n>: DLABs: STATe on page 431).

Suffix:

<n> Window

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF

*RST: OFF

Example: Display eye diagram in window 2.

LAY:ADD? '1', BEL, MEAS

CALC2: FORM QEYE

Display absolute horizontal line.
CALC2:DLAB:STAT ON
Display relative horizontal line.
CALC2:DLR:STAT:ON

Query y-value of relative horizontal line.

CALC2:DLR:VAL?

Manual operation: See "Horizontal Line" on page 236

CALCulate<n>:DLRel[:VALue] <LineRelPosRel>

Defines or queries the y-value of the relative horizontal line in the specified window. This command is only available for eye diagrams, and only if an absolute horizontal line and a relative horizontal line are already available in the same diagram (see CALCulate<n>:DLABs:STATe on page 431 and CALCulate<n>:DLRel:STATe on page 432).

Setting parameters:

<LineRelPosRel> numeric value

Relative distance of the second horizontal line to the first (abso-

lute) horizontal line.

Range: -1e9 to 1e9

*RST: 0
Default unit: NONE

Example: Display eye diagram in window 2.

LAY:ADD? '1',BEL,MEAS

CALC2: FORM QEYE

Display absolute horizontal line. CALC2: DLAB: STAT ON

Display relative horizontal line.

CALC2: DLR: STAT: ON

Query y-value of relative horizontal line.

CALC2: DLR: VAL?

Manual operation: See "Horizontal Line" on page 236

CALCulate<n>:TLABs:STATe <LineAbsState>

Displays an absolute vertical line in the specified window. This command is only available for eye diagrams.

Suffix:

<n> Window

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF

*RST: OFF

Example: Display eye diagram in window 2.

LAY:ADD? '1', BEL, MEAS

CALC2:FORM QEYE

Display absolute vertical line. CALC2:TLAB:STAT ON

Query y-value of absolute vertical line.

CALC2:TLAB:VAL?

Manual operation: See "Vertical Line" on page 236

CALCulate<n>:TLABs[:VALue] <VertAbsPos>

Defines or queries the x-value of the absolute vertical line in the specified window. This command is only available for eye diagrams, and only if an absolute vertical line is already available in the diagram (see CALCulate<n>: TLABs:STATe on page 433).

Suffix:

<n> Window

Setting parameters:

<VertAbsPos> numeric value

X-value of the absolute vertical line.

Range: -1e9 to 1e9

*RST: 0
Default unit: SYM

Example: Display eye diagram in window 2.

LAY:ADD? '1', BEL, MEAS

CALC2:FORM QEYE

Display absolute vertical line. CALC2:TLAB:STAT ON

Query y-value of absolute vertical line.

CALC2:TLAB:VAL?

Manual operation: See "Vertical Line" on page 236

CALCulate<n>:TLRel:STATe <LineRelState>

Displays a relative vertical line in the specified window. This command is only available for eye diagrams, and only if an absolute vertical line is already available in the same diagram (see CALCulate<n>: TLABs:STATe on page 433).

Suffix:

<n> Window

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF

*RST: OFF

Example: Display eye diagram in window 2.

LAY:ADD? '1', BEL, MEAS

CALC2:FORM QEYE

Display absolute vertical line.
CALC2:TLAB:STAT ON
Display relative vertical line.
CALC2:TLR:STAT:ON

Query x-value of relative vertical line.

CALC2:TLR:VAL?

Manual operation: See "Vertical Line" on page 236

CALCulate<n>:TLRel[:VALue] <LineRelPosRel>

Defines or queries the x-value of the relative vertical line in the specified window. This command is only available for eye diagrams, and only if an absolute vertical line and a relative vertical line are already available in the same diagram (see CALCulate<n>: TLABs:STATe on page 433 and CALCulate<n>:TLRel:STATe on page 434).

Suffix:

<n> Window

Setting parameters:

<LineRelPosRel> numeric value

Relative distance of the second vertical line to the first (absolute)

vertical line.

Range: -1e9 to 1e9

*RST: 0
Default unit: SYM

Example: Display eye diagram in window 2.

LAY:ADD? '1',BEL,MEAS

CALC2: FORM QEYE

Display absolute vertical line.
CALC2:TLAB:STAT ON
Display relative vertical line.
CALC2:TLR:STAT:ON

Query x-value of relative vertical line.

CALC2:TLR:VAL?

Manual operation: See "Vertical Line" on page 236

11.7.4 Configuring Modulation Accuracy Limit Lines

The results of a modulation accuracy measurement can be checked for violation of defined limits automatically.

Manual configuration of limit lines is described in Chapter 6.4.2, "Modulation Accuracy Limit Lines", on page 237.

| • | General Commands | 436 |
|---|------------------|-----|
| • | Defining Limits. | 436 |

11.7.4.1 General Commands

The following commands determine the general behaviour of the limit line check.

| CALCulate <n>:LIMit:MACCuracy</n> | y:DEFault | 436 |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|-----|
| CALCulate <n>:LIMit:MACCurac</n> | y:STATe | 436 |

CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:DEFault

Restores the default limits and deactivates all checks in all windows.

Suffix:

<n> Window
Usage: Event

Manual operation: See "Set to Default" on page 239

CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:STATe <LimitState>

Limits checks for all evaluations based on modulation accuracy (e.g. Result Summary) are enabled or disabled.

Suffix:

<n> Window

Setting parameters:

<LimitState> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

*RST: 0

Example: See Chapter 11.13.2, "Measurement Example 2: GSM EDGE

Burst Measurement Based on a Digital Standard", on page 500.

Manual operation: See "Checking Modulation Accuracy Limits" on page 238

11.7.4.2 Defining Limits

The following commands are required to define limits for specific results.

CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:CFERror:CURRent:STATe <LimitState>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:CFERror:MEAN:STATe <LimitState>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:CFERror:PEAK:STATe <LimitState>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:EVM:PCURrent:STATe <LimitState>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:EVM:PMEan:STATe <LimitState>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:EVM:PPEak:STATe <LimitState>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:EVM:RCURrent:STATe <LimitState>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:EVM:RCURrent:STATe <LimitState>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:EVM:RMEan:STATe <LimitState>

CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:EVM:RPEak:STATe <LimitState> CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:FDERror:CURRent:STATe <LimitState> CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:FDERror:MEAN:STATe <LimitState> CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:FDERror:PEAK:STATe <LimitState> CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:FERRor:PCURrent:STATe <LimitState> CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:FERRor:PMEan:STATe <LimitState> CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:FERRor:PPEak:STATe <LimitState> CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:FERRor:RCURrent:STATe <LimitState> CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:FERRor:RMEan:STATe <LimitState> CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:FERRor:RPEak:STATe <LimitState> CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:MERRor:PCURrent:STATe <LimitState> CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:MERRor:PMEan:STATe <LimitState> CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:MERRor:PPEak:STATe <LimitState> CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:MERRor:RCURrent:STATe <LimitState> CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:MERRor:RMEan:STATe <LimitState> CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:MERRor:RPEak:STATe <LimitState> CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:OOFFset:CURRent:STATe <LimitState> CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:OOFFset:MEAN:STATe <LimitState> CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:OOFFset:PEAK:STATe <LimitState> CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:PERRor:PCURrent:STATe <LimitState> CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:PERRor:PMEan:STATe <LimitState> CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:PERRor:PPEak:STATe <LimitState> CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:PERRor:RCURrent:STATe <LimitState> CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:PERRor:RMEan:STATe <LimitState> CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:PERRor:RPEak:STATe <LimitState> CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:RHO:CURRent:STATe <LimitState> CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:RHO:MEAN:STATe <LimitState> CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:RHO:PEAK:STATe <LimitState> CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:<ResultType>:<LimitType>:STATe <LimitState>

This command switches the limit check for the selected result type and limit type on or off.

Suffix:

<n> Window

<ResultType> CFERror = Carrier Frequency Error

EVM = Error Vector Magnitude

FERRor = Frequency error (FSK only)

FDERror = Frequency deviation error (FSK only)

MERRor = Magnitude Error

OOFFset = I/Q Offset PERRor = Phase Error

RHO = Rho

<LimitType> For CFERor, OOFFset, RHO:

CURRent MEAN PEAK

For EVM, FERRor, MERRor, PERRor:

PCURRent = Peak current value PMEan = Peak mean value PPEak = Peak peak value RCURRent = RMS current value RMEan = RMS mean value RPEak = RMS peak value

Setting parameters:

<LimitState> ON | OFF

Activates a limit check for the selected result and limit type.

*RST: OFF

Example: CALC2:FEED 'XTIM:DDEM:MACC'

switch on result summary in screen 2

CALC2:LIM:MACC:CFER:CURR:VAL 100 Hz

define a limit of [-100;100]

CALC2:LIM:MACC:CFER:CURR:STAT ON

switch limit check ON

Manual operation: See "Check" on page 240

CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:CFERror:CURRent:VALue <LimitValue>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:CFERror:MEAN:VALue <LimitValue>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:CFERror:PEAK:VALue <LimitValue>

This command defines the limit for the current, peak or mean center frequency error limit. Note that the limits for the current and the peak value are always kept identical.

Suffix:

<n> Window

Setting parameters:

<LimitValue> numeric value

the value x (x>0) defines the interval [-x; x]

Range: 0.0 to 1000000 *RST: 1000.0 (mean: 750.0)

Default unit: Hz

CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:EVM:PCURrent:VALue <LimitValue> CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:EVM:PMEan:VALue <LimitValue> CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:EVM:PPEak:VALue <LimitValue> CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:EVM:RCURrent:VALue <LimitValue>

CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:EVM:RMEan:VALue <LimitValue> CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:EVM:RPEak:VALue <LimitValue>

This command defines the value for the current, peak or mean EVM (peak or RMS) limit. Note that the limits for the current and the peak value are always kept identical.

Suffix:

<n> Window

Setting parameters:

<LimitValue> numeric value

Range: 0.0 to 100

*RST: 1.5 Default unit: %

CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:FDERror:CURRent:VALue <LimitValue> CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:FDERror:MEAN:VALue <LimitValue> CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:FDERror:PEAK:VALue <LimitValue>

This command defines the lower limit for the current, peak or mean center frequency deviation error. Note that the limits for the current and the peak value are always kept identical.

This command is available for FSK modulation only.

Suffix:

<n> Window

Setting parameters:

<LimitValue> numeric value

Range: 0.0 to 1000000

*RST: 1 kHz Default unit: Hz

CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:FERRor:PCURrent:VALue <LimitValue>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:FERRor:PMEan:VALue <LimitValue>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:FERRor:PPEak:VALue <LimitValue>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:FERRor:RCURrent:VALue <LimitValue>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:FERRor:RMEan:VALue <LimitValue>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:FERRor:RPEak:VALue <LimitValue>

This command defines the value for the current, peak or mean frequency error (peak or RMS) limit. Note that the limits for the current and the peak value are always kept identical.

This command is available for FSK modulation only.

Suffix:

<n> Window

Setting parameters:

<LimitValue> numeric value

the value x (x>0) defines the interval [-x; x]

Range: 0.0 to 100 *RST: 1.5 (mean: 1.0)

Default unit: Hz

CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:MERRor:PCURrent:VALue <LimitValue>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:MERRor:PMEan:VALue <LimitValue>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:MERRor:PPEak:VALue <LimitValue>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:MERRor:RCURrent:VALue <LimitValue>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:MERRor:RMEan:VALue <LimitValue>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:MERRor:RPEak:VALue <LimitValue>

This command defines the value for the current, peak or mean magnitude error (peak or RMS) limit. Note that the limits for the current and the peak value are always kept identical.

Suffix:

<n> Window

Setting parameters:

<LimitValue> numeric value

the value x (x>0) defines the interval [-x; x]

Range: 0.0 to 100

*RST: 1.5 Default unit: %

CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:OOFFset:CURRent:VALue <LimitValue> CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:OOFFset:MEAN:VALue <LimitValue> CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:OOFFset:PEAK:VALue <LimitValue>

This command defines the upper limit for the current, peak or mean I/Q offset. Note that the limits for the current and the peak value are always kept identical.

Suffix:

<n> Window

Setting parameters:

<LimitValue> numeric value

Range: -200.0 to 0.0 *RST: -40.0 (mean: -45.0)

Default unit: DB

CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:PERRor:PCURrent:VALue <LimitValue> CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:PERRor:PMEan:VALue <LimitValue> CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:PERRor:PPEak:VALue <LimitValue> CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:PERRor:RCURrent:VALue <LimitValue>

CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:PERRor:RMEan:VALue <LimitValue> CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:PERRor:RPEak:VALue <LimitValue>

This command defines the value for the current, peak or mean phase error (peak or RMS) limit. Note that the limits for the current and the peak value are always kept identical.

Suffix:

<n> Window

Setting parameters:

<LimitValue> numeric value

the value x (x>0) defines the interval [-x; x]

Range: 0.0 to 360 *RST: 3.5 (RMS: 1.5)

Default unit: deg

CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:RHO:CURRent:VALue <LimitValue>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:RHO:MEAN:VALue <LimitValue>
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:RHO:PEAK:VALue <LimitValue>

This command defines the lower limit for the current, peak or mean Rho limit. Note that the limits for the current and the peak value are always kept identical.

Suffix:

<n> Window

Setting parameters:

<LimitValue> numeric value

Range: 0.0 to 1.0

*RST: 0.999 (mean: 0.9995)

Default unit: NONE

11.7.5 Configuring an Analysis Interval and Line (MSRA mode only)

In MSRA operating mode, only the MSRA Master actually captures data; the MSRA slave applications define an extract of the captured data for analysis, referred to as the **analysis interval**. The **analysis line** is a common time marker for all MSRA slave applications.

For the VSA slave application, the commands to define the analysis interval are the same as those used to define the actual data acquisition (see Chapter 11.5.3, "Signal Capture", on page 376. Be sure to select the correct measurement channel before executing these commands.

Useful commands related to MSRA mode described elsewhere:

- INITiate<n>:REFResh on page 413
- INITiate<n>:SEQuencer:REFResh[:ALL] on page 414

Remote commands exclusive to MSRA slave applications

The following commands are only available for MSRA slave application channels:

| CALCulate <n>:MSRA:ALINe:SHOW</n> | 442 |
|--|-----|
| CALCulate <n>:MSRA:ALINe[:VALue]</n> | 442 |
| CALCulate <n>:MSRA:WINDow<n>:IVAL?</n></n> | 442 |
| [SENSe:]MSRA:CAPTure:OFFSet | 443 |

CALCulate<n>:MSRA:ALINe:SHOW

This command defines whether or not the analysis line is displayed in all time-based windows in all MSRA slave applications and the MSRA Master.

Note: even if the analysis line display is off, the indication whether or not the currently defined line position lies within the analysis interval of the active slave application remains in the window title bars.

Suffix:

<n> irrelevant

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF

*RST: ON

Manual operation: See "Show Line" on page 244

CALCulate<n>:MSRA:ALINe[:VALue] <Position>

This command defines the position of the analysis line for all time-based windows in all MSRA slave applications and the MSRA Master.

Suffix:

<n> irrelevant

Parameters:

<Position> Position of the analysis line in seconds. The position must lie

within the measurement time of the MSRA measurement.

Default unit: s

Manual operation: See "Position" on page 244

CALCulate<n>:MSRA:WINDow<n>:IVAL?

This command queries the analysis interval for the window specified by the WINDow suffix <n> (the CALC suffix is irrelevant). This command is only available in slave application measurement channels, not the MSRA View or MSRA Master.

Suffix:

<n> Window

Return values:

<IntStart>
Start value of the analysis interval in seconds

Default unit: s

<IntStop>
Stop value of the analysis interval in seconds

Usage: Query only

[SENSe:]MSRA:CAPTure:OFFSet <Offset>

This setting is only available for slave applications in MSRA mode, not for the MSRA Master. It has a similar effect as the trigger offset in other measurements.

Parameters:

<Offset> This parameter defines the time offset between the capture buf-

fer start and the start of the extracted slave application data. The offset must be a positive value, as the slave application can only

analyze data that is contained in the capture buffer.

Range: 0 to <Record length>

*RST: 0

Manual operation: See "Capture Offset" on page 198

11.7.6 Configuring an Analysis Interval and Line (MSRT mode only)

In MSRT operating mode, only the MSRT Master actually captures data; the MSRT slave applications define an extract of the captured data for analysis, referred to as the **analysis interval**. The **analysis line** is a common time marker for all MSRT slave applications.

For the VSA slave application, the commands to define the analysis interval are the same as those used to define the actual data acquisition (see Chapter 11.5.3, "Signal Capture", on page 376. Be sure to select the correct measurement channel before executing these commands.

In addition, a capture offset can be defined, i.e. an offset from the start of the captured data to the start of the analysis interval for vector signal analysis.

Useful commands related to MSRT mode described elsewhere:

- INITiate<n>:REFResh on page 413
- INITiate<n>:SEQuencer:REFResh[:ALL] on page 414

Remote commands exclusive to MSRT slave applications

The following commands are only available for MSRT slave application channels:

| CALCulate <n>:RTMS:ALINe:SHOW</n> | 443 |
|--|-----|
| CALCulate <n>:RTMS:ALINe[:VALue]</n> | 444 |
| CALCulate <n>:RTMS:WINDow<n>:IVAL?</n></n> | |
| ISENSe:IRTMS:CAPTure:OFFSet | 444 |

CALCulate<n>:RTMS:ALINe:SHOW

This command defines whether or not the analysis line is displayed in all time-based windows in all MSRT slave applications and the MSRT Master.

Note: even if the analysis line display is off, the indication whether or not the currently defined line position lies within the analysis interval of the active slave application remains in the window title bars.

Suffix:

<n> irrelevant

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF

*RST: ON

Manual operation: See "Show Line" on page 244

CALCulate<n>:RTMS:ALINe[:VALue] <Position>

This command defines the position of the analysis line for all time-based windows in all MSRT slave applications and the MSRT Master.

Suffix:

<n> irrelevant

Parameters:

<Position> Position of the analysis line in seconds. The position must lie

within the measurement time (pretrigger + posttrigger) of the

MSRT measurement.

Default unit: s

Manual operation: See "Position" on page 244

CALCulate<n>:RTMS:WINDow<n>:IVAL?

This command queries the analysis interval for the window specified by the WINDow suffix <n> (the CALC suffix is irrelevant). This command is only available in application measurement channels, not the MSRT View or MSRT Master.

Suffix:

<n> Window

Return values:

<IntStart> Start value of the analysis interval in seconds

Default unit: s

<IntStop> Stop value of the analysis interval in seconds

Usage: Query only

[SENSe:]RTMS:CAPTure:OFFSet <Offset>

This setting is only available for slave applications in MSRT mode, not for the MSRT Master. It has a similar effect as the trigger offset in other measurements.

Parameters:

<Offset> This parameter defines the time offset between the capture buf-

fer start and the start of the extracted slave application data. The offset must be a positive value, as the slave application can only

analyze data that is contained in the capture buffer.

Range: - [pretrigger time] to min (posttrigger time; sweep

time)

*RST: 0

Manual operation: See "Capture Offset" on page 198

11.8 Configuring the Result Display

The following commands are required to configure the result display in a remote environment. The tasks for manual operation are described in Chapter 6.5, "Display and Window Configuration", on page 240.

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| • | VSA Window Configuration. | 453 |

11.8.1 General Window Commands

The following commands are required to configure general window layout, independent of the application.

Note that the suffix <n> always refers to the window in the currently selected measurement channel (see INSTrument[:SELect] on page 316).

| DISPlay:FORMat | 445 |
|-------------------------------|-----|
| DISPlay[:WINDow <n>]:SIZE</n> | 446 |

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 449).

Suffix:

<n> Window

Parameters:

<Size> LARGe

Maximizes the selected window to full screen. Other windows are still active in the background.

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

11.8.2 Working with Windows in the Display

The following commands are required to change the evaluation type and rearrange the screen layout for a measurement 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 measurement channel.

Note that the suffix <n> always refers to the window in the currently selected measurement channel (see INSTrument[:SELect] on page 316).

| LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]? | 446 |
|---------------------------------|-----|
| LAYout:CATalog[:WINDow]? | 448 |
| LAYout:IDENtify[:WINDow]? | 448 |
| LAYout:REMove[:WINDow] | 448 |
| LAYout:REPLace[:WINDow] | |
| LAYout:SPLitter | 449 |
| LAYout:WINDow <n>:ADD?</n> | 451 |
| LAYout:WINDow <n>:IDENtify?</n> | 451 |
| LAYout:WINDow <n>:REMove</n> | 452 |
| LAYout:WINDow <n>:REPLace</n> | 452 |
| LAYout:WINDow <n>:TYPe?</n> | 452 |

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

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

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:WIND? '1', RIGH, SYMB

Adds a Symbol Table display to the right of window 1.

Usage: Query only

Manual operation: See "Capture Buffer" on page 17

See "Measurement & Reference Signal" on page 17

See "Symbols" on page 18
See "Error Vector" on page 18
See "Modulation Errors" on page 18
See "Modulation Accuracy" on page 19

See "Equalizer" on page 19 See "Multi Source" on page 20 See "Signal Source" on page 241

For a detailed example see Chapter 11.13.1, "Measurement Example 1: User-defined Measurement of Continuous QPSK Signal", on page 498.

Table 11-4: <WindowType> parameter values for VSA application

| Parameter value | Data source (+default result display) |
|-----------------|---------------------------------------|
| CBUFfer | Capture buffer (Magnitude absolute) |
| MEAS | Meas & Ref (Magnitude relative) |
| REF | |
| EQUalizer | Equalizer |
| EVECtor | Error vector (EVM) |
| MACCuracy | Modulation Accuracy (Result Summary) |
| MCOMbination | Multi Source (Spec (Meas+Error)) |
| MERRor | Modulation Errors (Magnitude error) |
| SYMB | Symbols (Hexadecimal) |

LAYout:CATalog[:WINDow]?

This command queries the name and index of all active windows in the active measurement 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_1>..<WindowName_n>,<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 measurement 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 measurement channel.

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: Event

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 measurement channel while keeping its position, index and window name.

To add a new window, use the LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]? command.

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 measurement 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 446 for a list of availa-

ble window types.

Example: LAY:REPL:WIND '1', MTAB

Replaces the result display in window 1 with a marker table.

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 DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:SIZE on page 446 command, the LAYout:SPLitter 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 11-1: SmartGrid coordinates for remote control of the splitters

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 11-1.)

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

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

Parameters:

<WindowType> Type of measurement window you want to add.

See LAYout: ADD [:WINDow]? on page 446 for a list of availa-

ble 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 measurement 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 measurement 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 measurement channel.

The result of this command is identical to the LAYout:REPLace[:WINDow] command.

To add a new window, use the LAYout: WINDow<n>: ADD? command.

Suffix:

<n> Window

Parameters:

<WindowType> Type of measurement window you want to replace another one

with.

See LAYout: ADD[:WINDow]? on page 446 for a list of availa-

ble window types.

Example: LAY:WIND2:REPL MTAB

Replaces the result display in window 2 with a marker table.

LAYout:WINDow<n>:TYPe?

Queries the window type of the window specified by the index <n>. For a list of possible window types see LAYout: ADD [:WINDow]? on page 446.

Suffix:

<n> Window

Example: LAY:WIND2:TYPE?

Response:

Modulation accuracy

Usage: Query only

11.8.3 VSA Window Configuration

For each window you can select a different evaluation method (result type), based on the data source selected in the "Display Configuration". Further window settings are available for some result types.

Manual configuration of VSA windows is described in Chapter 6.5.1, "Result Window Configuration", on page 241.

Useful commands for configuring the window described elsewhere:

• LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]? on page 446

Remote commands exclusive to configuring VSA windows:

| CALCulate <n>:DDEM:SPECtrum[:STATe]</n> | 453 |
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| CALCulate <n>:FEED</n> | 454 |
| CALCulate <n>:FORMat</n> | 454 |
| CALCulate <n>:STATistics:CCDF[:STATe]</n> | 457 |
| CALCulate <n>:STATistics:MODE</n> | 457 |
| DISPlay[:WINDow <n>]:ITEM[:LINE][:VALue]</n> | 457 |
| DISPlay[:WINDow <n>]:PRATe:AUTO</n> | 458 |
| DISPlay[:WINDow <n>]:PRATe[:VALue]</n> | 459 |
| DISPlay[:WINDow <n>]:TRACe:SYMBol</n> | 459 |
| DISPlay[:WINDow <n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:MODE</t></n> | 459 |
| | |

CALCulate<n>:DDEM:SPECtrum[:STATe] <AddEvaluation>

This command switches the result type transformation to spectrum mode. Spectral evaluation is available for the following result types:

- MAGNitude
- PHASe/UPHase
- FREQuency
- Real/Imag (RIMAG)

The result types are defined using the CALC: FORM command (see CALCulate<n>: FORMat on page 454).

Suffix:

<n> Window

Setting parameters:

<AddEvaluation> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

*RST: 0

Example: CALC: FEED 'XTIM: DDEM: MEAS'

Selects the meas signal. CALC: FORM PHAS

Selects the phase measurement. CALC:DDEM:SPEC:STAT ON

Selects the spectral display of the phase.

Manual operation: See "Result Type Transformation" on page 242

CALCulate<n>:FEED <Feed>

Selects the signal source (and for the equalizer and multi-source diagrams also the result type) for evaluation.

Note that this command is maintained for compatibility reasons only. Use the LAYout commands for new remote control programs (see Chapter 11.8.2, "Working with Windows in the Display", on page 446).

Only for the "Equalizer Impulse Response" and "Equalizer Frequency Response", as well as the multi-source diagrams, this command is required.

Suffix:

<n> Window

Setting parameters:

<Feed> string

'XTIM:DDEM:MEAS'
Measured signal
'XTIM:DDEM:REF'
Reference signal

'XTIM:DDEM:ERR:VECT'

Error vector

'XTIM:DDEM:ERR:MPH'

Modulation errors
'XTIM:DDEM:MACC'
Modulation accuracy
'XTIM:DDEM:SYMB'

Symbol table

'TCAP'

Capture Buffer
'XTIM:DDEM:IMP'

Equalizer Impulse Response

'XFR:DDEM:RAT'

Equalizer Frequency Response

'XFR:DDEM:IRAT'

Equalizer Channel Frequency Response Group Delay

XTIM:DDEM:TCAP:ERR

Spectrum of Real/Image for capture buffer and error vector

XTIM:DDEM:MEAS:ERR

Spectrum of Real/Image for measurement and error vector

CALCulate<n>:FORMat <Format>

This command defines the result type of the traces. Which parameters are available depends on the setting for the data source (see LAYout: ADD[:WINDow]? on page 446 and Table 3-1).

Whether the result type shows absolute or relative values is defined using the DISP: WIND: TRAC: Y: MODE command (see DISPlay [: WINDow<n>]: TRACe<t>: Y[:SCALe]: MODE on page 459).

Suffix:

<n> Window

Setting parameters:

<Format>

MAGNitude | PHASe | UPHase | RIMag | FREQuency | COMP | CONS | IEYE | QEYE | FEYE | CONF | COVF | RCONstellation |

RSUMmary | BERate | GDELay | MOVerview NONE |

MAGNitude | PHASe | UPHase | RIMag | FREQuency | COMP | CONS | IEYE | QEYE | FEYE | CONF | COVF | RCONstellation | RSUMmary | BERate | GDELay | MOVerview | BIN | OCT |

DEC | HEX | NONE

MAGNitude

Magnitude Absolute

MOVerview

Magnitude Overview Absolute (entire capture buffer)

PHASe

Phase Wrap

UPHase

Phase Unwrap

RIMag

Real/Imag (I/Q)

FREQuency

Frequency Absolute

COMP

Vector I/Q

CONS

Constellation I/Q

IEYE

Eye Diagram Real (I)

QEYE

Eye Diagram Imag (Q)

FEYE

Eye Diagram Frequency

CONF

Constellation Frequency

COVF

Vector Frequency

RCONstellation

Constellation I/Q (Rotated)

RSUMmary

Result summary

BERate

Bit error rate

GDELay

Frequency Response Group Delay

BIN

Symbol table in binary format

OCT

Symbol table in octal format

DEC

Symbol table in decimal format

HEX

Symbol table in hexadecimal format

Example: See Chapter 11.13.1, "Measurement Example 1: User-defined

Measurement of Continuous QPSK Signal", on page 498.

Manual operation: See "Signal Source" on page 241

See "Result Type" on page 241

CALCulate<n>:STATistics:CCDF[:STATe] <AddEvaluation>

This command switches the measurement of the statistical distribution of magnitude, phase or frequency values on or off.

Suffix:

<n> Window

Setting parameters:

<AddEvaluation> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

*RST: 0

Manual operation: See "Result Type Transformation" on page 242

CALCulate<n>:STATistics:MODE <StatisticMode>

This command defines whether only the symbol points or all points are considered for the statistical calculations.

Suffix:

<n> Window

Setting parameters:

<StatisticMode> SONLy | INFinite

SONLy

Symbol points only are used

INFinite

All points are used *RST: SONLy

Manual operation: See "Oversampling" on page 243

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:ITEM[:LINE][:VALue] <SingleValue> **DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:ITEM[:LINE][:VALue]?** <SingleValue>

This commands switches between the whole Result Summary and the diagram showing only a single value, e.g. the EVM RMS value as a bargraph. The same parameters are available as those for which modulation accuracy limits can be defined (see "Limit Value" on page 239).

Suffix:

<n> Window

Parameters:

<SingleValue> ALL | EVMR | EVMP | PERM | PEP | MERM | MEP | CFER |

RHO | IQOF | FERM | FEP | FDER

ALL

Complete Result Summary

EVMR RMS EVM EVMP Peak EVM

PERMRMS Phase error

PEP

Peak phase error

MERM

RMS Magnitude error

MEP

Peak magnitude error

CFER

Carrier frequency error

RHO RHO IQOF I/Q offset FERM

RMS frequency error

FEP

Peak frequency error

FDER

FSK deviation error *RST: ALL

Manual operation: See "Result Summary - Individual Results" on page 52

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:PRATe:AUTO <DisplayPPSMode>

Defines the number of display points that are displayed per symbol automatically, i.e. according to [SENSe:]DDEMod:PRATe on page 376. To define a different number of points per symbol for display, use the MANual parameter and the DISPlay[: WINDow<n>]:PRATe[:VALue] command.

Suffix:

<n> Window

Setting parameters:

<DisplayPPSMode> AUTO | MANual

*RST: AUTO

Manual operation: See "Display Points/Sym" on page 242

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:PRATe[:VALue] < DisplayPPS>

This command determines the number of points to be displayed per symbol if manual mode is selected (see DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:PRATe:AUTO on page 458).

This command is not available for result displays based on the capture buffer; in this case, the displayed points per symbol are defined by the sample rate ([SENSe:]DDEMod:PRATe command).

Suffix:

<n> Window

Setting parameters:

<DisplayPPS> 1, 2, 4, 8,16 or 32

1

only the symbol time instants are displayed

2, 4, 8, 16, 32

more points are displayed than symbols

*RST: 4

Manual operation: See "Display Points/Sym" on page 242

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe:SYMBol

This command enables the display of the decision instants (time when the signals occurred) as dots on the trace.

Suffix:

<n> Window

Manual operation: See "Highlight Symbols" on page 242

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:Y[:SCALe]:MODE < Mode>

This command selects the type of scaling of the y-axis (for all traces).

When the display update during remote control is off, this command has no immediate effect.

Suffix:

<n> Window <t> irrelevant

Parameters:

<Mode> ABSolute

absolute scaling of the y-axis

RELative

relative scaling of the y-axis

*RST: ABSolute

Example: DISP:TRAC:Y:MODE REL

11.9 Retrieving Results

The following commands are required to retrieve the calculated VSA parameters.



All results that are not based on the capture buffer data are calculated for a single result range only (see Chapter 4.6.1, "Result Range", on page 135). To retrieve the results for several result ranges, use the <code>[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:MBURst:CALC</code> on page 385 command to move from one result range to the next.

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| | Measurement Results for TRACe <n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n></n></n> | |
| • | Retrieving Parameter Values | 468 |
| • | Retrieving Limit Check Results | 482 |

11.9.1 Retrieving Trace Data and Marker Values

In order to retrieve the trace and marker results in a remote environment, use the following commands:

| CALCulate <n>:DELTamarker<m>:X:ABSolute?</m></n> | 460 |
|--|-----|
| CALCulate <n>:DELTamarker<m>:X:RELative?</m></n> | 461 |
| CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:Y?</m></n> | 461 |
| DISPlay[:WINDow <n>]:TRACe<t>:X[:SCALe]:STARt?</t></n> | 462 |
| DISPlay[:WINDow <n>]:TRACe<t>:X[:SCALe]:STOP?</t></n> | |
| FORMat:DEXPort:DSEParator | 462 |
| FORMat:DEXPort:HEADer | 463 |
| FORMat:DEXPort:MODE | 463 |
| MMEMory:STORe <n>:TRACe</n> | 463 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:MBURst:STARt? | 464 |
| TRACe <n>[:DATA]</n> | 464 |
| | |

CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:X:ABSolute?

This command queries the absolute x-value of the selected delta marker in the specified window. The command activates the corresponding delta marker, if necessary.

Suffix:

<n> Window

Usage: Query only

CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:X:RELative?

This command queries the relative position of a delta marker on the x-axis.

If necessary, the command activates the delta marker first.

Suffix:

<n> Window <m> Marker

Return values:

<Position> Position of the delta marker in relation to the reference marker.

Example: CALC:DELT3:X:REL?

Outputs the frequency of delta marker 3 relative to marker 1 or

relative to the reference position.

Usage: Query only

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:Y?

This command queries the position of a marker on the y-axis.

If necessary, the command activates the marker first.

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 measurement mode.

See also INITiate<n>: CONTinuous on page 412.

Suffix:

<n> Window <m> Marker

Return values:

<Result> Result at the marker position.

Example: INIT:CONT OFF

Switches to single measurement mode.

CALC: MARK2 ON Switches marker 2.

INIT; *WAI

Starts a measurement and waits for the end.

CALC:MARK2:Y?

Outputs the measured value of marker 2.

Usage: Query only

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:X[:SCALe]:STARt?

This command queries the first value of the x-axis in the specified window in symbols or time, depending on the unit setting for the x-axis.

Note: using the CALCulate<n>:TRACe<t>:ADJust:ALIGnment:OFFSet command, the burst is shifted in the diagram; the x-axis thus no longer begins on the left at 0 symbols but at a selectable value.

Suffix:

<n> Window <t> Trace

Example: See Chapter 11.13.2, "Measurement Example 2: GSM EDGE

Burst Measurement Based on a Digital Standard", on page 500.

Usage: Query only

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:X[:SCALe]:STOP?

This command queries the last value of the x-axis in the specified window in symbols or time, depending on the unit setting for the x-axis.

Note: If the burst is shifted (using the CALC: TRAC: ALIG commands) the x-axis no longer begins at 0 symbols on the left, but at a user-defined value.

Suffix:

<n> Window <t> Trace

Example: CALC:TRAC:ADJ BURS

Defines the burst as the reference for the screen display

CALC:TRAC:ADJ:ALIG CENT

Position the burst at the center of the screen

DISP:TRAC:X:STOP?

Queries the stop value of the x-axis

Usage: Query only

FORMat:DEXPort:DSEParator < Separator >

This command selects the decimal separator for data exported in ASCII format.

Parameters:

<Separator> 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 231

FORMat:DEXPort:HEADer < Header >

This command defines if a file header (including start frequency, sweep time, detector, etc.) is created or not. A small header with the instrument model, the version and the date is always transferred.

Setting parameters:

<Header> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

*RST: 0

Example: See Chapter 11.13.2, "Measurement Example 2: GSM EDGE

Burst Measurement Based on a Digital Standard", on page 500.

Manual operation: See "Header" on page 231

FORMat:DEXPort:MODE < Mode>

This command defines which data are transferred, raw I/Q data or trace data.

Setting parameters:

<Mode> RAW | TRACe

*RST: TRACe

Example: See Chapter 11.13.2, "Measurement Example 2: GSM EDGE

Burst Measurement Based on a Digital Standard", on page 500.

Manual operation: See "Data Export Mode" on page 230

MMEMory:STORe<n>:TRACe <Trace>, <FileName>

This command exports trace data from the specified window to an ASCII file.

Secure User Mode

In secure user mode, settings that are stored on the instrument are stored to volatile memory, which is restricted to 256 MB. Thus, a "Memory full" error can occur although the hard disk indicates that storage space is still available.

To store data permanently, select an external storage location such as a USB memory device.

For details, see "Protecting Data Using the Secure User Mode" in the "Data Management" section of the R&S FSW User Manual.

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 3,'C:\TEST.ASC'

Stores trace 3 from window 1 in the file TEST.ASC.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

Manual operation: See "Trace ASCII Export" on page 231

See "Export Trace to ASCII File" on page 246

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SEARch:MBURst:STARt?

This command queries the start of the current result range within the capture buffer.

Return values:

<StartValue> Symbol or time at which x-axis starts

Example: INIT:CONT OFF

//switch to single sweep mode

INIT; *WAI

//perform single sweep
SENS:DDEM:SEAR:MBUR:CALC 1
//switch to first result range
SENS:DDEM:SEAR:MBUR:START?

//query start of current (=first) result range

// in the capture buffer
SENS:DDEM:SEAR:MBUR:CALC 2
//switch to second result range
SENS:DDEM:SEAR:MBUR:START?

//query start of current (=second) result range

// in the capture buffer

Usage: Query only

TRACe<n>[:DATA] <Trace>

This command queries the trace data.

Which data is returned depends on the result display in the window specified by the suffix <n>.

For details see Chapter 11.9.2, "Measurement Results for TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n>", on page 465.

Suffix:

<n> Window

Setting parameters:

<Trace>

TRACe1/2/3/4/5/6

The complete data from the corresponding trace.

TRACe1R/TRACe2R/TRACe3R

The real data from the corresponding trace. The parameters are available for the Real/Imaginary result types.

TRACe1I/TRACe2I/TRACe3I

The imaginary data from the corresponding trace. The parameters are available for the Real/Imaginary result types.

STRace

The symbols are returned in the currently defined symbol format (see CALCulate<n>: FORMat on page 454. (If no parameter is specified, the command always returns the values in the decimal format.)

Note that no leading zeros are returned (see example below).

Example: See Chapter 11.13.3, "Measurement Example 3: User-Defined

Pattern Search and Limit Check", on page 503.

Example: calc4:form BINary

trace4:data? strace

//Queries data from symbol table in binary format

//Result (no leading zeros!):

1, 1110, **11,** 10, 100, 111, 1101, **1,** 1010, **101,** 10, **10,** 100, 1111, . . .

Manual operation: See "

See "Question: How can I demodulate an FSK modulated signal

using the "Manchester" code?" on page 301

11.9.2 Measurement Results for TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n>

The evaluation data source selected by the LAY: ADD: WIND command and the result type selected by the CALCulate<n>: FORMat command also affect the results of the trace data query (see TRACe<n>[:DATA]? TRACE<n>).

Details on the returned trace data depending on the evaluation data source and result type are provided here.

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| | Polar Diagrams | |
| | Symbols | |
| | Result Summary | |
| | Equalizer | |
| | Multi Source. | |

11.9.2.1 Capture Buffer Results

For the result displays based on the capture buffer, the command returns the y-axis values of the data that is stored in the capture buffer. The number of returned values depends on the size of the capture buffer and the sample rate. For example, a capture

buffer size of 500 symbols in combination with a sample rate of 4 would return 2000 level values.

The scaling of the capture buffer depends on the input source:

- Scaling is relative to the current reference level for RF input.
- Scaling is relative to the full scale level for I/Q input.

The unit is dBm.

Note that the trace results return only the values for the currently displayed capture buffer *range* (see also Chapter 4.8, "Capture Buffer Display", on page 140). For the Magnitude Overview Absolute result display, this command returns a maximum of 25,000 values (corresponding to the displayed trace points).



You can query the x-value that relates to the first value of the y-axis using DISPlay[: WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:X[:SCALe]:STARt? on page 462.

11.9.2.2 Cartesian Diagrams

For cartesian diagrams (magnitude, phase, frequency, real/imag, eye diagrams), the command returns the y-values of the trace. The number of returned values is the product of the "Result Length" and the display points per symbol. The unit depends on the specified unit.

(See Chapter 11.5.2.12, "Scaling and Units", on page 370).



You can query the x-value that relates to the first value of the y-axis using DISPlay[: WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:X[:SCALe]:STARt? on page 462.

The eye diagram result displays are the same as the real/imag result display; the results for eye diagrams are merely superimposed in the display.

11.9.2.3 Polar Diagrams

For polar diagrams, the command returns a pair of values for each trace point. The first value is the real part, the second value the imaginary part. The number of returned value pairs depends on the result type:

- Vector I/Q: evaluation range length * display points per symbol
- Constellation I/Q: evaluation range length
- Constellation Frequency and Vector Frequency: one value for each trace point on the y-axis

11.9.2.4 Symbols

For the **symbol table** result diagrams, the command returns one value for each number in the table. The number of returned values depends on the modulation scheme you have selected.

If no parameter is specified, the command always returns the values in the decimal format. If the parameter STRace is used, the format depends on the currently defined symbol format (see CALCulate<n>: FORMat on page 454).

11.9.2.5 Result Summary

For the **Result Summary**, the command returns all values listed in the result table from top to bottom, i.e.:

For PSK, MSK and QAM modulation:

<EVM_RMS>,<EVM_Peak>,<MER_RMS>,<MER_Peak>,<Phase Error RMS>,<Phase Error Peak>,<MagError_RMS>,<MagError_Peak>,<Carrier Frequency Error>,<Rho>,<I/Q Offset>,<I/Q Imbalance>,<Gain Imbalance>,<Quadrature Error>,Amplitude Droop>,<Power>,<Symbol Rate Error>

(Note that the "Symbol Rate Error" was appended at the end to provide compatibility to previous versions and instruments.)

For FSK modulation:

<Freq_Error_RMS>,<Freq_Error_Peak>,<Mag_Error_RMS>,<Mag_Error_Peak>,<FS
K Deviation Error>,<FSK Meas Deviation>,<FSK Ref Deviation>,<Carrier Frequency
Error>, <Carrier Frequency Drift>,<Power>

For each result type, both the current and statistical values are provided. The order of the results is as follows:

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<result1_current>, <result1_mean>, <result1_peak>, <result1_stddev>, <result1_95%ile>,
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<result2_current>, <result2_mean>, (...)

Empty cells in the table return nothing. The number of returned values depends on the modulation scheme. PSK, MSK and QAM modulation returns 85 values 17 results x 5 statistical values), FSK modulation returns 55 values (11 results x 5 statistical values).

For more details on the individual results see Chapter 3.2.29, "Result Summary", on page 49.

11.9.2.6 Equalizer

For Equalizer diagrams, the command returns the y-axis values of the equalizer trace. The number of returned values depends on the result type:

- For impulse response diagrams: (filter length * sample rate) +1
- For frequency response, channel and group delay diagrams: 4096 values



You can query the x-value that relates to the first value of the y-axis using DISPlay[: WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:X[:SCALe]:STARt? on page 462.

11.9.2.7 Multi Source

For multi source diagrams, the data for one source is provided in one trace, the data for the other source in another trace. By default, the data for the spectrum of the Real/Imag data from the capture buffer or measurement are provided in trace1, whereas the data for the spectrum of the Real/Imag data of the error are provided in trace 2. However, the data sources for the traces can be changed (see CALCulate<n>: TRACe<t>[:VALue] on page 417).

For details on the results for real/imag traces see Chapter 11.9.2.2, "Cartesian Diagrams", on page 466.

11.9.3 Retrieving Parameter Values

For each parameter, the VSA application calculates and shows various statistical values:

- Current value
- Mean value
 Calculated as the average of the number of results defined by the Statistic Count.
- Peak value
- Standard deviation
- 95 percentile
 Unlike the mean value, the 95%ile is a result of all measurement results since the
 last start of a single or continous sweep, or of all measurements since the last
 change of a measurement parameter.

For details on the individual parameters see Chapter 3.3, "Common Parameters in VSA", on page 58 and Chapter F, "Formulae", on page 520.

| CALCulate <n>:BERate</n> | 469 |
|---|-----|
| CALCulate <n>:DDEM:BURSt:LENGth?</n> | 469 |
| CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:ADRoop?</m></n> | 470 |
| CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:ALL?</m></n> | 470 |
| CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:CFERror?</m></n> | 470 |
| CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:EVM?</m></n> | 471 |
| CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:FDERror?</m></n> | 472 |
| CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:FSK:CFDRift?</m></n> | 473 |
| CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:FSK:DERRor?</m></n> | 473 |
| CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:FSK:MDEViation?</m></n> | 474 |
| CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:FSK:RDEViation?</m></n> | 475 |
| CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:GIMBalance?</m></n> | 475 |
| CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:IQIMbalance?</m></n> | 476 |
| CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:MERRor?</m></n> | 476 |
| CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:MPOWer?</m></n> | 477 |

| CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:OOFFset?</m></n> | 478 |
|--|-----|
| CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:PERRor?</m></n> | 478 |
| CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:QERRor?</m></n> | 479 |
| CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:RHO?</m></n> | 480 |
| CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:SNR?</m></n> | 480 |
| CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:SRERror?</m></n> | 481 |

CALCulate<n>:BERate <Format>

Queries the Bit Error Rate results. The available results are described in Chapter 3.2.1, "Bit Error Rate (BER)", on page 22.

Suffix:

<n> Window

Query parameters:

<Format> Specifies a particular BER result to be queried. If no parameter

is specified, the current bit error rate is returned.

The parameters for these results are listed in Table 11-5.

Table 11-5: Parameters for BER result values

| Result | Current | Min | Max | Acc |
|-------------------|-----------|-------|-------|---------|
| Bit Error Rate | CURRent | MIN | MAX | TOTal |
| Total # of Errors | TECurrent | TEMIN | TEMAX | TETotal |
| Total # of Bits | TCURrent | TMIN | TMAX | TTOTal |

CALCulate<n>:DDEM:BURSt:LENGth?

This command queries the length of a detected burst.

Note that since the R&S FSW VSA application has no knowledge on the ramp length, there is an uncertainty in the burst search algorithm.

Suffix:

<n> Window

Return values:

<Length> integer

Number of symbols

Example: INIT:CONT OFF

//switches to single sweep
SENS:DDEM:SIGN:VAL BURS
//switches bursted signal on

INIT:IMM; *WAI

//starts single sweep and waits for result

CALC: DDEM: BURS: LENG? //returns detected burst length

Usage: Query only

Manual operation: See "Expected Burst Length / Burst Found" on page 203

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:ADRoop? <type>

This command queries the results of the amplitude droop error measurement performed for digital demodulation. The output values are the same as those provided in the Modulation Accuracy table (see Chapter 3.2.29, "Result Summary", on page 49).

Suffix:

<n> Window <m> Marker

Query parameters:

<type> <none>

Amplitude droop in dB/symbol (for current sweep)

AVG

Amplitude droop in dB/symbol, evaluating the linear average

value over several sweeps

RPE

Peak value for amplitude droop over several sweeps

SDEV

Standard deviation of amplitude droop

PCTL

95 percentile value of amplitude droop

Usage: Query only

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:ALL?

The command queries all results of the result summary as shown on the screen.

Suffix:

<n> Window <m> Marker

Usage: Query only

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:CFERror? <type>

This command queries the results of the carrier frequency error measurement performed for digital demodulation.

The output values are the same as those provided in the Modulation Accuracy table.

Suffix:

<n> Window <m> Marker

Query parameters:

<type> <none>

Carrier frequency error for current sweep

AVG

Average carrier frequency error over several sweeps

RPE

Peak carrier frequency error over several sweeps

SDEV

Standard deviation of frequency error

PCTL

95 percentile value of frequency error

Example: See Chapter 11.13.2, "Measurement Example 2: GSM EDGE

Burst Measurement Based on a Digital Standard", on page 500.

Usage: Query only

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:EVM? <type>

This command queries the results of the error vector magnitude measurement of digital demodulation. The output values are the same as those provided in the Modulation Accuracy table .

Suffix:

<n> Window <m> Marker

Query parameters:

<type> <none>

RMS EVM value of display points of current sweep

AVG

Average of RMS EVM values over several sweeps

PAVG

Average of maximum EVM values over several sweeps

PCTL

95% percentile of RMS EVM value over several sweeps

PEAK

Maximum EVM over all symbols of current sweep

PPCT

95% percentile of maximum EVM values over several sweeps

PSD

Standard deviation of maximum EVM values over several

sweeps

RPE

Maximum value of RMS EVM over several sweeps

SDEV

Standard deviation of EVM values over several sweeps

TPE

Maximum EVM over all display points over several sweeps

Example: See Chapter 11.13.2, "Measurement Example 2: GSM EDGE

Burst Measurement Based on a Digital Standard", on page 500.

Usage: Query only

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:FDERror? <type>

This command queries the results of the FSK deviation error of FSK modulated signals.

Suffix:

<n> Window <m> Marker

Query parameters:

<type> <none>

Deviation error for current sweep.

AVG

Average FSK deviation error.

RPE

Peak FSK deviation error.

SDEV

Standard deviation of FSK deviation error.

PCTL

95 percentile value of FSK deviation error.

Usage: Query only

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:FSK:CFDRift? <type>

This command queries the results of the carrier frequency drift for FSK modulated signals.

Suffix:

<n> Window <m> Marker

Query parameters:

<type> <none>

Carrier frequency drift for current sweep.

AVG

Average FSK carrier frequency drift over several sweeps.

RPE

Peak FSK carrier frequency drift over several sweeps.

SDEV

Standard deviation of FSK carrier frequency drift.

PCTL

95 percentile value of FSK carrier frequency drift.

Usage: Query only

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:FSK:DERRor? <type>

This command queries the results of the frequency error of FSK modulated signals.

Suffix:

<n> Window <m> Marker

Query parameters:

<type> <none>

RMS frequency error of display points of current sweep

AVG

Average of RMS frequency errors over several sweeps

PAVG

Average of maximum frequency errors over several sweeps

PCTL

95% percentile of RMS frequency error over several sweeps

PEAK

Maximum EVM over all symbols of current sweep

PPCT

95% percentile of maximum frequency errors over several

sweeps

PSD

Standard deviation of maximum frequency errors over several

sweeps

RPE

Maximum value of RMS EVM over several sweeps

SDEV

Standard deviation of frequency errors over several sweeps

TPE

Maximum EVM over all display points over several sweeps

Usage: Query only

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:FSK:MDEViation?

<type>

This command queries the results of the measurement deviation of FSK modulated signals.

Suffix:

<n> Window <m> Marker

Query parameters:

<type> <none>

Measurement deviation for current sweep.

AVG

Average FSK measurement deviation over several sweeps.

RPE

Peak FSK measurement deviation over several sweeps.

SDEV

Standard deviation of FSK measurement deviation.

PCTL

95 percentile value of FSK measurement deviation.

Usage: Query only

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:FSK:RDEViation?

<type>

This command queries the results of the reference deviation of FSK modulated signals.

Suffix:

<n> Window <m> Marker

Query parameters:

<type> <none>

Measurement deviation for current sweep.

AVG

Average FSK measurement deviation over several sweeps.

RPE

Peak FSK measurement deviation over several sweeps.

SDEV

Standard deviation of FSK measurement deviation.

PCTL

95 percentile value of FSK measurement deviation.

Usage: Query only

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:GIMBalance? <type>

This command queries the results of the Gain Imbalance error measurement of digital demodulation. The output values are the same as those provided in the Modulation Accuracy table .

Suffix:

<n> Window <m> Marker

Query parameters:

<type> <none>

Gain imbalance error for current sweep

AVG

Average gain imbalance error over several sweeps

RPE

Peak gain imbalance error over several sweeps

SDEV

Standard deviation of gain imbalance error

PCTL

95 percentile value of gain imbalance error

Usage: Query only

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:IQIMbalance? <type>

This command queries the results of the I/Q imbalance error measurement of digital demodulation.

Suffix:

<n> Window <m> Marker

Query parameters:

<type> <none>

I/Q imbalance error (for current sweep)

AVG

Average I/Q imbalance error over several sweeps

RPE

Peak I/Q imbalance error over several sweeps

SDEV

Standard deviation of I/Q imbalance error

PCTL

95 percentile value of I/Q imbalance error

Usage: Query only

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:MERRor? <type>

This command queries the results of the magnitude error measurement of digital demodulation.

Suffix:

<n> Window <m> Marker

Query parameters:

<type> <none>

RMS magnitude error of display points of current sweep

AVG

Average of RMS magnitude errors over several sweeps

PAVG

Average of maximum magnitude errors over several sweeps

PCTL

95% percentile of RMS magnitude error over several sweeps

PEAK

Maximum EVM over all symbols of current sweep

PPCT

95% percentile of maximum magnitude errors over several

sweeps

PSD

Standard deviation of maximum magnitude errors over several

sweeps

RPE

Maximum value of RMS EVM over several sweeps

SDEV

Standard deviation of magnitude errors over several sweeps

TPE

Maximum EVM over all display points over several sweeps

Usage: Query only

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:MPOWer? <type>

This command queries the results of the power measurement of digital demodulation.

Suffix:

<n> Window <m> Marker

Query parameters:

<type> <none>

power measurement (for current sweep)

AVG

Average of power measurement over several sweeps

RPE

Peak of power measurement over several sweeps

SDEV

Standard deviation of power measurement

PCTL

95 percentile value of power measurement

Usage: Query only

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:OOFFset? <type>

This command queries the results of the I/Q offset measurement performed for digital demodulation.

Suffix:

<n> Window <m> Marker

Query parameters:

<type> <none>

Origin offset error (for current sweep)

AVG

Average origin offset error over several sweeps

RPE

Peak origin offset error over several sweeps

SDEV

Standard deviation of origin offset error

PCTL

95 percentile value of origin offset error

Usage: Query only

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:PERRor? <type>

This command queries the results of the phase error measurement performed for digital demodulation.

Suffix:

<n> Window <m> Marker

Query parameters:

<type> <none>

RMS phase error of display points of current sweep

AVG

Average of RMS phase errors over several sweeps

PAVG

Average of maximum phase errors over several sweeps

PCTL

95% percentile of RMS phase error over several sweeps

PEAK

Maximum EVM over all symbols of current sweep

PPCT

95% percentile of maximum phase errors over several sweeps

PSD

Standard deviation of maximum phase errors over several

sweeps

RPE

Maximum value of RMS EVM over several sweeps

SDEV

Standard deviation of phase errors over several sweeps

TPE

Maximum EVM over all display points over several sweeps

Usage: Query only

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:QERRor? <type>

This command queries the results of the Quadratur error measurement performed for digital demodulation.

Suffix:

<n> Window <m> Marker

Query parameters:

<type> <none>

quadrature error (for current sweep)

AVG

Average quadrature error over several sweeps

RPE

Peak quadrature error over several sweeps

SDEV

Standard deviation of quadrature error

PCTI

95 percentile value of quadrature error

Usage: Query only

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:RHO? <type>

This command queries the results of the Rho factor measurement performed for digital demodulation.

Suffix:

<n> Window <m> Marker

Query parameters:

<type> <none>

Rho factor (for current sweep)

AVG

Average rho factor over several sweeps

RPE

Peak rho factor over several sweeps

SDEV

Standard deviation of rho factor

PCTL

95 percentile value of rho factor

Usage: Query only

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:SNR? <type>

This command queries the results of the SNR error measurement performed for digital demodulation.

Suffix:

<n> Window <m> Marker

Query parameters:

<type> <none>

RMS SNR value of display points of current sweep

AVG

Average of RMS SNR values over several sweeps

PAVG

Average of maximum SNR values over several sweeps

PCTL

95% percentile of RMS SNR value over several sweeps

PEAK

Maximum EVM over all symbols of current sweep

PPCT

95% percentile of maximum SNR values over several sweeps

PSD

Standard deviation of maximum SNR values over several

sweeps

RPE

Maximum value of RMS EVM over several sweeps

SDEV

Standard deviation of SNR values over several sweeps

TPE

Maximum EVM over all display points over several sweeps

Usage: Query only

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:FUNCtion:DDEMod:STATistic:SRERror? <type>

This command queries the symbol rate error

Suffix:

<n> Window <m> Marker

Query parameters:

<type> PEAK | AVG | SDEV | PCTL | TPEak | RPEak | PAVG | PSDev |

PPCTI <none>

Symbol rate error (for current sweep)

AVG

Average symbol rate error over several sweeps

RPE

Peak symbol rate error over several sweeps

SDEV

Standard deviation of symbol rate error

PCTL

95 percentile value of symbol rate error

Usage: Query only

11.9.4 Retrieving Limit Check Results

The modulation accuracy parameters can be checked against defined limits. The following commands are required to guery the results of these limit checks.

```
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:CFERror:CURRent[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:CFERror:MEAN[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:CFERror:PEAK[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:EVM:PCURrent[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:EVM:PMEan[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:EVM:PPEak[:RESUIt]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:EVM:RCURrent[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:EVM:RMEan[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:EVM:RPEak[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:FDERror:CURRent[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:FDERror:MEAN[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:FDERror:PEAK[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:FERRor:PCURrent[:RESUlt]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:FERRor:PMEan[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:FERRor:PPEak[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:FERRor:RCURrent[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:FERRor:RMEan[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:FERRor:RPEak[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:MERRor:PCURrent[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:MERRor:PMEan[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:MERRor:PPEak[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:MERRor:RCURrent[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:MERRor:RMEan[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:MERRor:RPEak[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:OOFFset:CURRent[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:OOFFset:MEAN[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:OOFFset:PEAK[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:PERRor:PCURrent[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:PERRor:PMEan[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:PERRor:PPEak[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:PERRor:RCURrent[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:PERRor:RMEan[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:PERRor:RPEak[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:RHO:CURRent[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:RHO:MEAN[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:RHO:PEAK[:RESult]?
CALCulate<n>:LIMit:MACCuracy:<ResultType>:<LimitType>[:RESUlt]
```

This command queries whether the limit for the specified result type and limit type was violated.

For details on result types and limit types see Chapter 3.2.29, "Result Summary", on page 49.

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Suffix:

<n> Window

PERRor | RHO

CFERror = Carrier Frequency Error EVM = Error Vector Magnitude

FDERror = Frequency deviation error (FSK only)

FERRor = Frequency error (FSK only)

MERRor = Magnitude Error OOFFset = I/Q Offset PERRor = Phase Error

RHO = Rho

<LimitType> CURRent | MEAN | PEAK | PCURRent | PMEan | PPEak |

RCURRent | RMEan | RPEak For CFERor, OOFFset, RHO:

CURRent MEAN PEAK

For EVM, FDERror, FERRor, MERRor, PERRor:

PCURRent = Peak current value PMEan = Peak mean value PPEak = Peak peak value RCURRent = RMS current value RMEan = RMS mean value RPEak = RMS peak value

Return values:

<LimitResult> NONE | PASS | FAIL | MARGIN

NONE

No limit check result available yet.

PASS

All values have passed the limit check.

FAIL

At least one value has exceeded the limit.

MARGIN

currently not used *RST: NONE

11.10 Importing and Exporting I/Q Data and Results

The I/Q data to be evaluated in the VSA application can not only be measured by the VSA application itself, it can also be imported to the application, provided it has the correct format. Furthermore, the evaluated I/Q data from the VSA application can be exported for further analysis in external applications.

Importing and Exporting I/Q Data and Results

For details on importing and exporting I/Q data see Chapter 7, "I/Q Data Import and Export", on page 245.

| MMEMory:LOAD:IQ:STATe | 484 |
|----------------------------------|-----|
| MMEMory:STORe <n>:IQ:COMMent</n> | 484 |
| MMEMory:STORe <n>:IQ:STATe</n> | 484 |

MMEMory:LOAD:IQ:STATe 1,<FileName>

This command restores I/Q data from a file.

The file extension is *.iq.tar.

Parameters:

<FileName> String containing the path and name of the source file.

Example: MMEM:LOAD:IQ:STAT 1, 'C:

\R_S\Instr\user\data.iq.tar' Loads IQ data from the specified file.

Usage: Setting only

Manual operation: See "I/Q Import" on page 246

MMEMory:STORe<n>:IQ:COMMent <Comment>

This command adds a comment to a file that contains I/Q data.

Suffix:

<n> irrelevant

Parameters:

<Comment> String containing the comment.

Example: MMEM:STOR:IQ:COMM 'Device test 1b'

Creates a description for the export file.

MMEM:STOR:IQ:STAT 1, 'C:
\R S\Instr\user\data.iq.tar'

Stores I/Q data and the comment to the specified file.

Manual operation: See "I/Q Export" on page 246

MMEMory:STORe<n>:IQ:STATe 1, <FileName>

This command writes the captured I/Q data to a file.

The file extension is *.iq.tar. By default, the contents of the file are in 32-bit floating point format.

Secure User Mode

In secure user mode, settings that are stored on the instrument are stored to volatile memory, which is restricted to 256 MB. Thus, a "Memory full" error can occur although the hard disk indicates that storage space is still available.

To store data permanently, select an external storage location such as a USB memory device.

For details, see "Protecting Data Using the Secure User Mode" in the "Data Management" section of the R&S FSW User Manual.

Suffix:

<n> irrelevant

Parameters:

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<FileName> String containing the path and name of the target file.

Example: MMEM:STOR:IQ:STAT 1, 'C:

 $\R_S\Instr\user\data.iq.tar'$

Stores the captured I/Q data to the specified file.

Manual operation: See "I/Q Export" on page 246

11.11 Status Reporting System

The status reporting system stores all information on the current operating state of the instrument, e.g. information on errors or limit violations which have occurred. This information is stored in the status registers and in the error queue. The status registers and the error queue can be gueried via IEC bus.

In this section, only the status registers/bits specific to the VSA application are described.

For details on the common R&S FSW status registers refer to the description of remote control basics in the R&S FSW User Manual.



*RST does not influence the status registers.

Description of the Status Registers

In addition to the registers provided by the base system, the following registers are used in the VSA application:

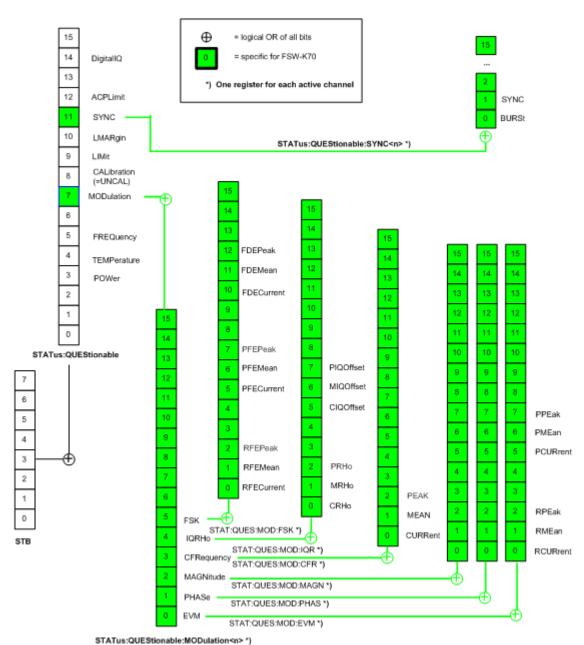
- STATus:QUEStionable:SYNC<n> contains application-specific information about synchronization errors or errors during burst detection.
- STATus:QUESTionable:MODulation<n> provides information on any limit violations that occur after demodulation in one of the 4 windows
- STATus:QUESTionable:MODulation<n>:EVM limit violations in EVM evaluation
- STATus:QUESTionable:MODulation<n>:PHASe limit violations in Phase Error evaluation

- STATus:QUESTionable:MODulation<n>:MAGnitude limit violations in Magnitude Error evaluation
- STATus:QUESTionable:MODulation<n>:CFRequency limit violations in Carrier Frequency evaluation
- STATus:QUESTionable:MODulation<n>:IQRHO limit violations in I/Q-Offset and RHO evaluation
- STATus:QUESTionable:MODulation<n>:FSK limit violations in FSK evaluation



The STATus:QUEStionable register "sums up" the information from all subregisters (e.g. bit 11 sums up the information for all STATus:QUEStionable:SYNC registers). For some subregisters, there may be separate registers for each active channel. Thus, if a status bit in the STATus:QUEStionable register indicates an error, the error may have occurred in any of the channel-specific subregisters. In this case, you must check the subregister of each channel to determine which channel caused the error. By default, querying the status of a subregister always returns the result for the currently selected channel.

The commands to query the contents of the following status registers are described in Chapter 11.11.9, "Querying the Status Registers", on page 491.



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Figure 11-2: Overview of VSA-specific status registers

| • | STATus:QUEStionable:SYNC <n> Register</n> | 488 |
|---|--|-----------------|
| • | STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation <n> Register</n> | 488 |
| • | STATus:QUESTionable:MODulation <n>:EVM Register</n> | 488 |
| • | STATus:QUESTionable:MODulation <n>:PHASe Register</n> | 489 |
| • | STATus:QUESTionable:MODulation <n>:MAGnitude Register</n> | 489 |
| • | STATus:QUESTionable:MODulation <n>:CFRequency Register</n> | 490 |
| • | STATus:QUESTionable:MODulation <n>:IQRHO Register</n> | 490 |
| • | STATus:QUESTionable:MODulation <n>:FSK Register</n> | 49 ² |
| • | Querving the Status Registers. | 49 ² |

11.11.1 STATus:QUEStionable:SYNC<n> Register

This register contains application-specific information about synchronization errors or errors during burst detection for each window in each VSA channel. It can be queried with commands STATus:QUEStionable:SYNC:CONDition? on page 493 and STATus:QUEStionable:SYNC[:EVENt]? on page 494.

Table 11-6: Status error bits in STATus:QUEStionable:SYNC register for R&S FSW-K70

| Bit | Definition |
|---------|--|
| 0 | Burst not found. This bit is set if a burst could not be detected. |
| 1 | Sync not found This bit is set if the sync sequence (pattern) of the midamble could not be detected. |
| 2 to 14 | Not used. |
| 15 | This bit is always 0. |

11.11.2 STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n> Register

This register comprises information about any limit violations that may occur after demodulation in any of the VSA windows. It can be queried with commands STATus: QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:CONDition? on page 493 and STATus: QUEStionable:MODulation<n>[:EVENt]? on page 493.



The status of the STATus:QUESTionable:MODulation register is indicated in bit 7 of the "STATus:QUESTionable" register. It can be queried using the STATus:QUESTionable:EVENt command.

| Bit No | Meaning |
|--------|---------------------------------------|
| 0 | Error in EVM evaluation |
| 1 | Error in Phase Error evaluation |
| 2 | Error in Magnitude Error evaluation |
| 3 | Error in Carrier Frequency evaluation |
| 4 | Error in I/Q offset or RHO evaluation |
| 5 | Error in FSK evaluation |
| 6-15 | These bits are not used |

11.11.3 STATus:QUESTionable:MODulation<n>:EVM Register

This register comprises information about limit violations in EVM evaluation. It can be queried with commands

STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:EVM:CONDition and STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:EVM[:EVENt].

| Bit No | Meaning |
|--------|-----------------------------|
| 0 | Error in current RMS value |
| 1 | Error in mean RMS value |
| 2 | Error in peak RMS value |
| 3-4 | These bits are not used |
| 5 | Error in current peak value |
| 6 | Error in mean peak value |
| 7 | Error in peak peak value |
| 8-15 | These bits are not used |

11.11.4 STATus:QUESTionable:MODulation<n>:PHASe Register

This register comprises information about limit violations in Phase Error evaluation. It can be queried with commands

STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:PHASe:CONDition and STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:PHASe[:EVENt].

| Bit No | Meaning |
|--------|-----------------------------|
| 0 | Error in current RMS value |
| 1 | Error in mean RMS value |
| 2 | Error in peak RMS value |
| 3-4 | These bits are not used |
| 5 | Error in current peak value |
| 6 | Error in mean peak value |
| 7 | Error in peak peak value |
| 8-15 | These bits are not used |

11.11.5 STATus:QUESTionable:MODulation<n>:MAGnitude Register

This register comprises information about limit violations in Magnitude Error evaluation. It can be queried with commands

STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:MAGNitude:CONDition and STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:MAGNitude[:EVENt].

| Bit No | Meaning |
|--------|-----------------------------|
| 0 | Error in current RMS value |
| 1 | Error in mean RMS value |
| 2 | Error in peak RMS value |
| 3-4 | These bits are not used |
| 5 | Error in current peak value |
| 6 | Error in mean peak value |
| 7 | Error in peak peak value |
| 8-15 | These bits are not used |

11.11.6 STATus:QUESTionable:MODulation<n>:CFRequency Register

This register comprises information about limit violations in Carrier Frequency evaluation. It can be queried with commands

STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:CFREQuency:CONDition and STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:CFREQuency[:EVENt].

| Bit No | Meaning |
|--------|-------------------------|
| 0 | Error in current value |
| 1 | Error in mean value |
| 2 | Error in peak value |
| 3-15 | These bits are not used |

11.11.7 STATus:QUESTionable:MODulation<n>:IQRHO Register

This register comprises information about limit violations in I/Q offset or RHO evaluation. It can be queried with commands

STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:IQRHO:CONDition and STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:IQRHO[:EVENt].

| Bit No | Meaning |
|--------|-----------------------------------|
| 0 | Error in current RHO value |
| 1 | Error in mean RHO value |
| 2 | Error in peak RHO value |
| 3-4 | These bits are not used |
| 5 | Error in current I/Q offset value |
| 6 | Error in mean I/Q offset value |

| Bit No | Meaning |
|--------|--------------------------------|
| 7 | Error in peak I/Q offset value |
| 8-15 | These bits are not used |

11.11.8 STATus:QUESTionable:MODulation<n>:FSK Register

This register comprises information about limit violations in FSK evaluation. It can be queried with commands

STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:FSK:CONDition and STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:FSK[:EVENt].

| Bit No | Meaning |
|--------|---|
| 0 | Error in current Frequency Error RMS value |
| 1 | Error in mean Frequency Error RMS value |
| 2 | Error in peak Frequency Error RMS value |
| 3-4 | These bits are not used |
| 5 | Error in current Frequency Error peak value |
| 6 | Error in mean Frequency Error peak value |
| 7 | Error in peak Frequency Error peak value |
| 8-9 | These bits are not used |
| 10 | Error in current Frequency Deviation value |
| 11 | Error in mean Frequency Deviation value |
| 12 | Error in peak Frequency Deviation value |
| 13-15 | These bits are not used |

11.11.9 Querying the Status Registers

The following commands query the contents of the individual status registers.

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| STATus:QUEStionable:POWer:CONDition? | 493 |
|---|-----|
| STATus:QUEStionable:SYNC:CONDition? | |
| STATus:QUEStionable:ACPLimit[:EVENt]? | 493 |
| STATus:QUEStionable:DIQ[:EVENt]? | 493 |
| STATus:QUEStionable:FREQuency[:EVENt]? | 493 |
| STATus:QUEStionable:LIMit <m> [:EVENt]?</m> | 493 |
| STATus:QUEStionable:LMARgin <m>[:EVENt]?</m> | 493 |
| STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation <n>[:EVENt]?</n> | 493 |
| STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation <n>:CFRequency[:EVENt]?</n> | 493 |
| STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation <n>:EVM[:EVENt]?</n> | 493 |
| STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation <n>:FSK[:EVENt]?</n> | 493 |
| STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation <n>:IQRHo[:EVENt]?</n> | 493 |
| STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation <n>:MAGNitude[:EVENt]?</n> | 493 |
| STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation <n>:PHASe[:EVENt]?</n> | 494 |
| STATus:QUEStionable:POWer[:EVENt]? | 494 |
| STATus:QUEStionable:SYNC[:EVENt]? | 494 |
| STATus:QUEStionable:ACPLimit:ENABle | 494 |
| STATus:QUEStionable:DIQ:ENABle | 494 |
| STATus:QUEStionable:FREQuency:ENABle | 494 |
| STATus:QUEStionable:LIMit <m>:ENABle</m> | 494 |
| STATus:QUEStionable:LMARgin <m>:ENABle</m> | 494 |
| STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation <n>:ENABle</n> | 494 |
| STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation <n>:CFRequency:ENABle</n> | 494 |
| STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation <n>:EVM:ENABle</n> | 494 |
| STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation <n>:FSK:ENABle</n> | 494 |
| STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation <n>:IQRHo:ENABle</n> | 494 |
| STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation <n>:MAGNitude:ENABle</n> | 494 |
| STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation <n>:PHASe:ENABle</n> | 494 |
| STATus:QUEStionable:POWer:ENABle | 494 |
| STATus:QUEStionable:SYNC:ENABle | |
| STATus:QUEStionable:ACPLimit:NTRansition | |
| STATus:QUEStionable:DIQ:NTRansition | |
| STATus:QUEStionable:FREQuency:NTRansition | |
| STATus:QUEStionable:LIMit <m>:NTRansition</m> | 495 |
| STATus:QUEStionable:LMARgin <m>:NTRansition</m> | |
| STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation <n>:NTRansition</n> | 495 |
| STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation <n>:CFRequency:NTRansition</n> | 495 |
| STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation <n>:EVM:NTRansition</n> | 495 |
| STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation <n>:FSK:NTRansition</n> | |
| STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation <n>:IQRHo:NTRansition</n> | 495 |
| STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation <n>:MAGNitude:NTRansition</n> | 495 |
| STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation <n>:PHASe:NTRansition</n> | |
| STATus:QUEStionable:POWer:NTRansition | 495 |
| STATus:QUEStionable:SYNC:NTRansition | |
| STATus:QUEStionable:ACPLimit:PTRansition | |
| STATus:QUEStionable:DIQ:PTRansition | |
| STATus:QUEStionable:FREQuency:PTRansition | |
| STATus:QUEStionable:LIMit <m>:PTRansition</m> | |
| STATus:QUEStionable:LMARgin <m>:PTRansition</m> | 495 |
| STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation <n>:PTRansition</n> | 496 |

| STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation <n>:CFRequency:PTRansition</n> | 496 |
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| STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation <n>:EVM:PTRansition</n> | |
| STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation <n>:FSK:PTRansition</n> | 496 |
| STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation <n>:IQRHo:PTRansition</n> | 496 |
| STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation <n>:MAGNitude:PTRansition</n> | 496 |
| STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation <n>:PHASe:PTRansition</n> | 496 |
| STATus:QUEStionable:POWer:PTRansition | 496 |
| STATus:QUEStionable:SYNC:PTRansition | 496 |

STATus:QUEStionable:ACPLimit:CONDition? < ChannelName>

STATus:QUEStionable:DIQ:CONDition? < ChannelName>

STATus:QUEStionable:FREQuency:CONDition? <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:LIMit<m>:CONDition? <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:LMARgin<m>:CONDition? <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:CONDition? <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:CFRequency:CONDition?

<ChannelName>

STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:EVM:CONDition? < ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:FSK:CONDition? < ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:IQRHo:CONDition? < ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:MAGNitude:CONDition? < ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:PHASe:CONDition? < ChannelName>

STATus:QUEStionable:POWer:CONDition? <ChannelName> **STATus:QUEStionable:SYNC:CONDition?** <ChannelName>

This command reads out the CONDition section of the status register.

The command does not delete the contents of the EVENt section.

Suffix:

<n> Window <m> Marker

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:QUEStionable:ACPLimit[:EVENt]? < ChannelName>

STATus:QUEStionable:DIQ[:EVENt]? < ChannelName >

STATus:QUEStionable:FREQuency[:EVENt]? <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:LIMit<m> [:EVENt]? <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:LMARgin<m>[:EVENt]? <ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>[:EVENt]? <ChannelName>

STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:CFRequency[:EVENt]? < ChannelName>

STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:EVM[:EVENt]? < ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:FSK[:EVENt]? < ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:IQRHo[:EVENt]? < ChannelName>
STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:MAGNitude[:EVENt]? < ChannelName>

STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:PHASe[:EVENt]? < ChannelName>

STATus:QUEStionable:POWer[:EVENt]? <ChannelName> **STATus:QUEStionable:SYNC[:EVENt]?** <ChannelName>

This command reads out the EVENt section of the status register.

The command also deletes the contents of the EVENt section.

Suffix:

<n> Window <m> Marker

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:QUEStionable:ACPLimit:ENABle <BitDefinition>, <ChannelName>

STATus:QUEStionable:DIQ:ENABle <BitDefinition>, <ChannelName>

STATus:QUEStionable:FREQuency:ENABle <BitDefinition>, <ChannelName> STATus:QUEStionable:LIMit<m>:ENABle <BitDefinition>, <ChannelName> STATus:QUEStionable:LMARgin<m>:ENABle <BitDefinition>, <ChannelName> STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:ENABle <BitDefinition>, <ChannelName> STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:CFRequency:ENABle <BitDefinition>,

<ChannelName>

STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:EVM:ENABle <BitDefinition>.

<ChannelName>

STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:FSK:ENABle <BitDefinition>,

<ChannelName>

STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:IQRHo:ENABle <BitDefinition>,

<ChannelName>

STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:MAGNitude:ENABle <BitDefinition>,

<ChannelName>

STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:PHASe:ENABle <BitDefinition>,

<ChannelName>

STATus:QUEStionable:POWer:ENABle <BitDefinition>

STATus:QUEStionable:SYNC:ENABle <BitDefinition>, <ChannelName>

This command controls 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 will occur in the summary bit reported to the next higher level.

Suffix:

<n> Window <m> Marker

Parameters:

<BitDefinition> 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:QUEStionable:ACPLimit:NTRansition <BitDefinition>, <ChannelName>

STATus:QUEStionable:DIQ:NTRansition <BitDefinition>,<ChannelName>

STATus:QUEStionable:FREQuency:NTRansition <BitDefinition>, <ChannelName> **STATus:QUEStionable:LIMit<m>:NTRansition** <BitDefinition>, <ChannelName>

STATus:QUEStionable:LMARgin<m>:NTRansition <BitDefinition>,

<ChannelName>

STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:NTRansition <BitDefinition>,

<ChannelName>

STATus: QUEStionable: MODulation < n>: CFRequency: NTRansition < BitDefinition>,

<ChannelName>

STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:EVM:NTRansition <BitDefinition>,

<ChannelName>

STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:FSK:NTRansition <BitDefinition>,

<ChannelName>

STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:IQRHo:NTRansition <BitDefinition>,

<ChannelName>

STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:MAGNitude:NTRansition <BitDefinition>,

<ChannelName>

STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:PHASe:NTRansition <BitDefinition>,

<ChannelName>

STATus:QUEStionable:POWer:NTRansition <BitDefinition>, <ChannelName>

STATus:QUEStionable:SYNC:NTRansition <BitDefinition>,<ChannelName>

This command controls 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.

Suffix:

<n> Window

<m> Marker

Parameters:

<BitDefinition> 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:QUEStionable:ACPLimit:PTRansition <BitDefinition>, <ChannelName>

STATus:QUEStionable:DIQ:PTRansition <BitDefinition>,<ChannelName>

STATus:QUEStionable:FREQuency:PTRansition <BitDefinition>, <ChannelName>

STATus:QUEStionable:LIMit<m>:PTRansition <BitDefinition>, <ChannelName>

STATus:QUEStionable:LMARgin<m>:PTRansition <BitDefinition>,

<ChannelName>

STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:PTRansition <BitDefinition>,

<ChannelName>

STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:CFRequency:PTRansition <BitDefinition>, <ChannelName>

STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:EVM:PTRansition <BitDefinition>, <ChannelName>

STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:FSK:PTRansition <BitDefinition>, <ChannelName>

STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:IQRHo:PTRansition <BitDefinition>, <ChannelName>

STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:MAGNitude:PTRansition <BitDefinition>, <ChannelName>

STATus:QUEStionable:MODulation<n>:PHASe:PTRansition <BitDefinition>, <ChannelName>

STATus:QUEStionable:POWer:PTRansition <BitDefinition>, <ChannelName> **STATus:QUEStionable:SYNC:PTRansition** <BitDefinition>,<ChannelName>

These commands control the Positive TRansition part of a register.

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.

Suffix:

<n> Window <m> Marker

Parameters:

<BitDefinition> 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.

11.12 Deprecated Commands

The following commands are maintained for compatibility reasons with previous R&S analyzers only. Use the specified alternative commands for new remote control programs.

| CALCulate <n>:FSK:DEViation:COMPensation.</n> | 496 |
|---|-----|
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:NORMalize[:VALue] | 497 |
| [SENSe:IDDEMod:SBANd | |

CALCulate<n>:FSK:DEViation:COMPensation <RefDevComp>

This command defines whether the deviation error is compensated for when calculating the frequency error for FSK modulation.

Note that this command is maintained for compatibility reasons only. For newer remote programs, use [SENSe:]DDEMod:NORMalize:FDERror on page 402.

Deprecated Commands

Suffix:

<n> Window

Setting parameters:

<RefDevComp> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

ON

Scales the reference signal to the actual deviation of the measurement signal.

OFF

Uses the entered nominal deviation for the reference signal.

*RST:

[SENSe:]DDEMod:NORMalize[:VALue] <Normalize>

This command switches the compensation of the IQ offset and the compensation of amplitude droop on or off.

Note that this command is maintained for compatibility reasons only. Use the more specific [SENSe:]DDEMod:NORMalize commands for new remote control programs (see Chapter 11.5.8, "Demodulation Settings", on page 396).

Setting parameters:

<Normalize> ON | OFF | 1 | 0

OFF

No compensation for amplitude droop nor I/Q offset

ON

Compensation for amplitude droop and I/Q offset enabled

*RST: 1

[SENSe:]DDEMod:SBANd <SidebandPos>

This command selects the sideband for the demodulation.

Note that this command is maintained for compatibility reasons only. Use the SENS:SWAP:IQ command for new remote control programs (see [SENSe:]SWAPiq on page 377).

Setting parameters:

<SidebandPos> NORMal | INVerse

NORMal

Normal (non-inverted) position

INVerse

Inverted position

*RST: NORMal

The following examples demonstrate how to perform vector signal analysis in a remote environment.

These examples are meant to demonstrate the use of the most common remote commands for vector signal analysis. Note that not all commands executed here are actually necessary, as they may reflect default settings.

11.13.1 Measurement Example 1: User-defined Measurement of Continuous QPSK Signal

The following example describes a scenario similar to the one for manual operation described in

Chapter 9.2, "Measurement Example 1: Continuous QPSK Signal", on page 270.

```
//----Configuring the measurement -----
*RST
//Reset the instrument
FREQ:CENT 1GHz
//Set the center frequency.
DISP:TRAC:Y:RLEV 4dBm
//Set the reference level
INST: CRE: NEW DDEM, 'MyVSA'
//Create new measurement channel for vector signal analysis named "MyVSA"
//---- Configuring the expected input signal -----
DDEM: FORM QPSK
//Set the modulation type
DDEM:QPSK:FORM NORM
//Set the modulation order
DDEM: MAPP: CAT?
//Query the available symbol mappings for QPSK modulation
DDEM:MAPP 'WCDMA'
//Set the symbol mapping to WCDMA
DDEM:SRAT 1 MHz
//Set the symbol rate
DDEM:TFIL:NAME 'RRC'
DDEM:TFIL:ALPH 0.35
//Select the RRC transmit filter
```

```
//---- Configuring an averaged EVM vs Time result display -----
LAY: ADD? '1', RIGH, EVEC
//Create new window to the right of I/Q constellation (window 1) with
//error vector as data type
//Result: '5'
CALC5: FORM MAGN
//Set result type for window 5 to magnitude = EVM
DISPlay:WINDow5:TRACe2:MODE AVER
//Add a second trace in average mode
DISPlay:WINDow5:TRACe3:MODE MAXH
//Add a third trace in max hold mode
SWE:COUN 10
//Calculate an average over 10 sweeps
//----Performing the measurement----
INIT: CONT OFF
//Select single sweep mode.
INIT; *WAI
//Initiate a new measurement and wait until the 10 sweeps have finished.
//----Storing the Constellation I/Q diagram to a file -----
DISP:WIND1:SIZE LARG
//Display the I/Q Constellation result display (window 1) in full screen.
HCOP:DEST 'MMEM'
//Define the destination of the screenshot as a file.
HCOP:DEV:LANG BMP
//Select bmp as the file format.
MMEM:NAME 'C:\R S\INST\USER\IQConstellation.bmp'
//Select the file name for the printout.
HCOP: TTEM: ALL
//Print all screen elements
HCOP
//Store the printout in a file called 'IQConstellation.bmp'.
DISP:WIND5:SIZE SMAL
//Restore the I/Q Constellation result display to one subwindow.
//----Storing the EVM trace data to a file-----
FORM: DEXP: HEAD ON
//Include a header in the trace export file
FORM:DEXP:MODE TRAC
//Export the trace data, not raw I/Q data
MMEM:STOR4:TRAC 1, 'AverageEVM'
//Save the detected symbol values (x-values are not exported with trace data)
//Results:
MMEM:STOR5:TRAC 1, 'AverageEVM'
```

```
//Save the EVM values (window 5) to an ascii file.
//Results:
//
```

11.13.2 Measurement Example 2: GSM EDGE Burst Measurement Based on a Digital Standard

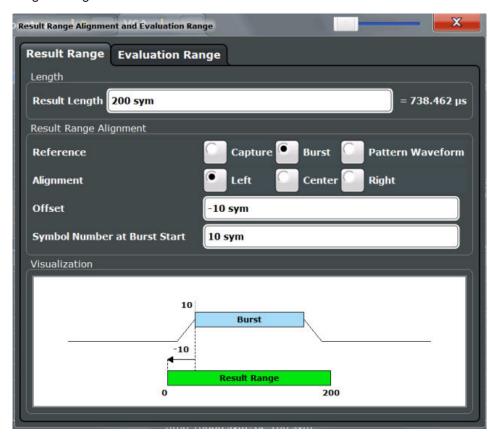
The following example describes a scenario similar to the one for manual operation described in

Chapter 9.3, "Measurement Example 2: Burst GSM EDGE Signals", on page 277



Note that although this example uses the settings from a predefined digital standard, the configuration is changed to demonstrate the possibilities of the VSA application. A measurement that is performed strictly according to the standard requires much less programming efforts.

The rising and falling edges of a GSM burst are analyzed using the following result range settings:



```
//-----Configuring the measurement -----
```

*RST

//Reset the instrument

```
FREQ:CENT 1GHz
//Set the center frequency.
DISP:TRAC:Y:RLEV 4dBm
//Set the reference level
INST:CRE:NEW DDEM,'VSA'
//Create new measurement channel for vector signal analysis named "VSA"
//-----Loading the required digital standard ------
DDEM: PRES 'EDGE NB'
//{\tt Loads} the GSM EDGE 8PSK standard file and the settings defined there
//-----Changing data acquisition settings ------
DDEM:RLEN 10000 sym
//---- Defining the result range -----
DDEMod:TIME 200
//Defines the result length as 200 symbols.
CALC:TRAC:ADJ BURS
//Defines the burst as the reference for the result range
CALC:TRAC:ADJ:ALIG LEFT
//{\rm Aligns} the result range to the left edge of the burst
CALC:TRAC:ADJ:ALIG:OFFS -10
//Defines an offset of 10 symbols from the burst start
DISP:TRAC:X:VOFF 10
//Defines the symbol number 10 as the result range start
//-----Defining the evaluation range -----
CALC:ELIN:STAT ON
CALC:ELIN1 10
CALC: ELIN2 190
//Evaluation range starts at symbol 10 and ends at symbol 190
//---- Changing the result display -----
LAY:WIND4:REM
//Close symbol table display (window 4)
DISPlay:WINDow1:TRACe2:MODE MAXH
//Add a second trace in max hold mode to EVM vs Time display (window 1)
LAY:ADD? '3',RIGH,MEAS
//Create new window to the right of capture buffer (window 3) with
//measurement signal as data type
//Result: '4'
CALC4: FORM MAGN
//Set result type for window 4 to magnitude
DISPlay:WINDow4:TRACe2:MODE WRIT
CALC4:TRAC2 REF
//Add a second trace in clear/write mode for the reference signal
```

```
//---- Activating limit checks for modulation accuracy -----
CALC:LIM:MACC:STAT ON
//Activates limit checks for all values in the Result Summary
//----Performing the measurement ----
INIT: CONT OFF
//Select single sweep mode.
INIT; *WAI
//Initiate a new measurement and wait until the 10 sweeps have finished.
//---- Retrieving Results -----
CALC2:MARK:FUNC:DDEM:STAT:EVM? AVG
CALC:LIM:MACC:EVM:RCUR?
//Query the value and check the limit for the EVM RMS value in the
//result summary for the current evaluation range
//Result:
CALC2:MARK:FUNC:DDEM:STAT:EVM? PAVG
CALC:LIM:MACC:EVM:PPE?
//Query the value and check the limit for the largest error vector magnitude
//in the measurement.
//Result:
CALC2:MARK:FUNC:DDEM:STAT:CFER? AVG
CALC:LIM:MACC:CFER:MEAN?
//Query the value and check the limit for the mean carrier frequency offset
//in the result summary for the current evaluation range
//Result:
//---- Storing trace data to a file -----
FORM: DEXP: HEAD ON
//Include a header in the trace export file
FORM:DEXP:MODE TRAC
//Export the trace data, not raw I/Q data
DISP:WIND1:TRAC2:X:STAR?
//Query the first value of the x-axis for the current result range
//(x-values are not exported with trace data)
//Result:
MMEM:STOR4:TRAC 1, 'Measurement signal'
//Save the measurement signal values (trace 1 in window 4) to an ascii file.
//Results:
MMEM:STOR4:TRAC 2, 'Reference signal'
//Save the reference signal values (trace 2 in window 4) to an ascii file.
//Results:
//
MMEM:STOR2:TRAC 1, 'Result Summary'
```

```
//Save the result summary values (window 2) for the current result range
//to an ascii file.
//Results:
//

//----- Retrieving results for further result ranges ----->

DDEM:SEAR:MBUR:CALC?
//Query the number of result ranges (current is last)
//Use variable <x> to determine number of previous result range
//DDEM:SEAR:MBUR:CALC <x>
//Move to next result range and repeat section "retrieving results" for
//range-specific results
```

11.13.3 Measurement Example 3: User-Defined Pattern Search and Limit Check

In this example a user-defined pattern is used to detect bursts and the calculated measurement results are checked against defined limits. The configuration settings are stored as a user-defined standard.

```
//-----Configuring the measurement ------
*RST
//Reset the instrument
FREQ:CENT 1GHz
//Set the center frequency.
DISP:TRAC:Y:RLEV 4dBm
//Set the reference level
INST:CRE:NEW DDEM, 'VSA'
//Create new measurement channel for vector signal analysis named "VSA"
//----- Creating a pattern -----
DDEM:SEAR:SYNC:NAME 'EDGE TSC CUST'
//Create new pattern
DDEM:SEAR:SYNC:NST 4
DDEM:SEAR:SYNC:COMM 'Customized pattern'
DDEM:SEAR:SYNC:TEXT 'Special edge normal Burst'
DDEM:SEAR:SYNC:NAME 'EDGE TSC CUST'
//Store customized pattern
DDEM:SEAR:SYNC:PATT:ADD 'EDGE TSC CUST'
//Add new pattern to current standard
//---- Configuring the expected input signal -----
DDEM:FORM QPSK
//Set the modulation type
DDEM:OPSK:FORM NORM
```

```
//Set the modulation order
DDEM:MAPP:CAT?
//Query the available symbol mappings for QPSK modulation
DDEM:MAPP 'WCDMA'
//Set the symbol mapping to \ensuremath{\mathtt{WCDMA}}
DDEM:SRAT 1 MHz
//Set the symbol rate
DDEM:SIGN BURS
//Define input signal as burst signal
DDEM:SIGN:PATT ON
//Enable pattern search
DDEM:SEAR:SYNC:CAT? CURR
//Query the names of all defined patterns assigned to the current standard
DDEM:SEAR:SYNC:SEL 'EDGE TSC CUST'
//Select a pattern
DDEM:STAN:SYNC:OFFS 10
//Ignore the first 10 symbols of the signal before comparing pattern
DDEM:STAN:SYNC:OFFS:STAT ON
DDEM:SEAR:SYNC:STAT ON
//----- Storing the new settings as a user-defined standard ------
DDEM:STAN:SAVE 'C:\TEMP\CustomizedBurstMeas'
//----Performing the measurement ----
INIT: CONT OFF
//Select single sweep mode.
INIT; *WAI
//Initiate a new measurement and wait until it has finished.
//---- Retrieving Results -----
TRAC3:DATA? TRACE1
//Query the trace results of the capture buffer display.
//Results:
TRAC2:DATA? TRACE1
//Query the results of the result summary.
//Results:
//
```

R&S®FSW-K70 Abbreviations

Annex

A Abbreviations

The following abbreviations are commonly used in the description of the R&S FSW-K70 option.

| Abbreviation | Meaning | See section | |
|-----------------------|---|--|--|
| FSK | Frequency Shift Keying Modulation mode for which the information is encrypted in the frequency. | Frequency Shift Keying (FSK) | |
| ISI | Inter-symbol Interference | | |
| ISI-free demodulation | Demodulation structure in which the signal is no longer influenced by adjacent symbols at the deci- sion instants after signal-adapted filtering. | System-Theoretical Modulation and Demodulation Filters | |
| MEAS filter | Measurement Filter Weighting filter for the measurement. | System-Theoretical Modulation and Demodulation Filters | |
| MSK | Minimum Shift Keying Modulation mode. | Minimum Shift Keying (MSK) | |
| NDA Demodulator | Non Data Aided Demodulator Demodulation without any knowledge of the sent data contents. | Demodulation and Algorithms | |
| PSK | Phase Shift Keying Modulation mode for which the information lies within the phase or within the phase transitions. | Phase Shift Keying (PSK) | |
| QAM | Quadrature Amplitude Modulation Modulation mode for which the information is encrypted both in the amplitude and phase. | Quadrature Amplitude Modulation (QAM) | |
| RMS | Root Mean Square | Averaging RMS Quantities | |
| RX filter | Receive Filter Baseband filter in analyzer used for signal-adapted filtering. | System-Theoretical Modulation and Demodulation Filters | |
| Transmit filter | Transmitter Filter Digital impulse shaping filter in signal processing unit of transmitter. | System-Theoretical Modulation and Demodulation Filters | |
| VSA | Vector Signal Analysis Measurement at complex modulated RF carriers. | | |

B Predefined Standards and Settings

In the "Digital Standards" menu, predefined basic settings for standards can be selected and user-defined standards stored (see Chapter 5.2, "Configuration According to Digital Standards", on page 149).

The most common measurements are predefined as standard settings for a large number of mobile radio networks. The instrument comes prepared with the following settings for those standards:

- · Capture length and result length
- Signal description
- Modulation
- Transmit filter and measurement filter
- Burst/Pattern search configuration
- Result range alignment
- Evaluation range settings
- Display configuration

The standard settings are grouped in folders to facilitate selecting a standard.

Table B-1: List of predefined standards and settings

| Folder | Standard (SCPI)¹ | Modulation Mapping | Symbol rate | Transmit Filter Meas.Filter | Alpha/BT | Search for Burst | Search for Pattern | Pattern | Result length | Alignment | Evaluation Range |
|--------|--|-----------------------|------------------|-----------------------------------|----------|---------------------|-----------------------|---|------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| GSM | GSM_Nor- malBurst (GSM) | DMSK GSM | 270.83333 kHz | GMSK | 0.3 | <i>></i> | ` | GSM_TSC0 () GSM_TSC7 | 148 | Pattern to Center | 0.5 - 147.25 |
| | GSM_Syn- chroniza- tionBurst (GSM_SB) | DMSK GSM | 270.83333 kHz | GMSK | 0.3 | ✓ | , | GSM_SB0 () GSM_SB2 | 148 | Pattern to Center | 3 - 144 |
| | GSM_Fre- quency- Burst (GSM_FB) | DMSK GSM | 270.83333 kHz | GMSK | 0.3 | , | , | GSM_FB0 | 148 | Pattern to Center | 3 - 144 |
| | GSM_Acce ssBurst (GSM_AB) | DMSK | 270.83333 kHz | GMSK | 0.3 | , | `, | GSM_AB0 () GSM_AB2 | 88 | Pattern to Center | 8 - 85 |
| | EDGE_8PS K (EDGE_NB ' EDGE_Nor- malburst) | 3π/8-8PSK EDGE | 270.833 KHz | Linearized GMSK EDGE_NSR | | ` <u>`</u> | ` | EDGE_TSC0 () | 148 | Pattern to | 3-144.75 |
| | EDGE_16Q AM | π/4-16QAM EDGE | 270.833 kHz | Linearized GMSK EDGE_NSR | | < | , | 16QAM_EDGE _TSC0 () 16QAM_EDGE _TS7 | 148 | Pattern to Center | 3-144.75 |

1) The SCPI parameter for remote commands is provided where it differs from the standard name or a short form is available.

2) According to Shaped offset QPSK TG (IRIG 106-13) standard, without differential precoding; sample rate = 1 MHz (not defined in standard)

| Folder | Standard (SCPI)¹ | Modulation Mapping | Symbol | Transmit Filter Meas.Filter | Alpha/BT | Search for Burst | Search for Pattern | Pattern | Result length | Alignment | Evaluation Range |
|--------|---|-----------------------|-------------|--|----------|---------------------|-----------------------|--|------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| | EDGE_32Q AM | т/4-32QAM EDGE | 270.833 kHz | Linearized GMSK EDGE_NSR | | ` | , | 32QAM_EDGE _TSC0 () 32QAM_EDGE _TS7 | 148 | Pattern to Center | 3-144.75 |
| | EDGE_QP SK_HSR_N arrowPulse | 3π/4-QPSK EDGE | 325 kHz | EDGE Nar- row Pulse Shape EDGE HSR (Narrow Pulse) | | ` | ` | EDGE_HSR_Q PSK_TSC0 () EDGE_HSR_Q PSK_TSC17 | 177 | Pattern to Center | 4- 172.75 |
| | EDGE_QP SK_HSR_ WidePulse | 3π/4-QPSK EDGE | 325 kHz | EDGE Wide Pulse Shape EDGE HSR (Wide Pulse) | | ` | , | EDGE_HSR_Q PSK_TSC0 () EDGE_HSR_Q PSK_TSC17 | 177 | Pattern to Center | 4- 172.75 |
| | EDGE_16Q AM_HSR_ Narrow- Pulse | π/4-16QAM EDGE | 325 kHz | EDGE Nar- row Pulse Shape EDGE HSR (Narrow Pulse) | | ` | ` | EDGE_HSR_1 6QAM_TSC0 () EDGE_HSR_1 6QAM_TSC1 | 177 | Pattern to Center | 4-172.75 |
| | EDGE_16Q AM_HSR_ WidePulse | π/4-16QAM EDGE | 325 kHz | EDGE Wide Pulse Shape EDGE HSR (Wide Pulse) | | ` | ` | EDGE_HSR_1 6QAM_TSC0 () EDGE_HSR_1 6QAM_TSC1 | 177 | Pattern to Center | 4- 172.75 |

2) According to Shaped offset QPSK TG (IRIG 106-13) standard, without differential precoding; sample rate = 1 MHz (not defined in standard) 1) The SCPI parameter for remote commands is provided where it differs from the standard name or a short form is available.

| od ab | Modulation Mapping | Symbol rate | Transmit Filter Meas.Filter | Alpha/BT | Search for Burst | Search for Pattern | Pattern | Result length | Alignment | Evaluation Range |
|----------------------------|-----------------------|-------------|--|----------|---------------------|-----------------------|--|------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| -п/4-32QAM 325 кHz EDGE | 325 KHZ | | EDGE Nar- row Pulse Shape EDGE HSR (Narrow Pulse) | | ` | ` | EDGE_HSR_3 2QAM_TSC0 () EDGE_HSR_3 2QAM_TSC1 | 177 | Pattern to Center | 4- 172.75 |
| -п/4-32QAM 325 кНz EDGE | 325 kHz | | EDGE Wide Pulse Shape EDGE HSR (Wide Pulse) | | ` | , | EDGE_HSR_3 2QAM_TSC0 () EDGE_HSR_3 2QAM_TSC1 | 177 | Pattern to Center | 4- 172.75 |
| π/4-DQPSK 18 kHz TETRA | 18 kHz | | RRC | 0.35 | <i>></i> | - | TETRA_S1 TETRA_S3 | 246 | Burst to Center | 0 - 244 |
| п/4-DQPSK 18 кН2 ТЕТRA | 18 kHz | | RRC | 0.35 | <i>></i> | - | TETRA_E TETRA_S | 255 | Burst to Center | 0 - 244 |
| QPSK 3.84 MHz WCDMA | 3.84 MHz | | RRC | 0.22 | 1 | 1 | | 800 | Capture/ Left | |

1) The SCPI parameter for remote commands is provided where it differs from the standard name or a short form is available.

²⁾ According to Shaped offset QPSK TG (IRIG 106-13) standard, without differential precoding; sample rate = 1 MHz (not defined in standard)

| Evaluation Range | 1 | ī | 1 | 1 | 1 | entire result range | entire result range | 2 - 363.75 | 2 - 1619.75 |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|---|---------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Alignment | Capture/ Left | Capture/ Left | Capture/ Left | Capture/ Left | Capture/ Left | Burst/ Cen- ter | Capture/ Left | Burst to Center | Burst to Center |
| Result length | 1000 | 800 | 800 | 200 | 200 | 168 | 180 | 366 | 1622 |
| Pattern | 1 | | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 1 | 1 | ı |
| Search for Pattern | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Search for Burst | ı | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | `, | - | > | <i>></i> |
| Alpha/BT | 0.7 (fixed) | | | 0.2 | - | 1 | - | 0.5 | 0.5 |
| Transmit Filter Meas.Filter | Shaped Off- set QPSK TG None | CDMA 2000 1X FWD Low ISI Meas Filter | CDMA 2000 1X Reverse Low ISI Meas Filter | RC NONE | APCO25 C4FM Rectangular | APCO2 5 H- CPM Rectangular | NONE Rectangular | GMSK None | GMSK None |
| Symbol rate | 1 MHz | 1.2288 MHz | 1.2288 MHz | 4.8 KHz | 4.8 kHz | 6 кн2 | 6 kHz | 1 MHz | 1 MHz |
| Modulation Mapping | GRAY | QPSK CDMA2K_F WD | Offset QPSK Gray | π/4 DQPSK APCO25 | 4FSK APCO25 | 4FSK APCO_25_ Phase_2 | 4FSK APCO_25_ Phase_2 | 2FSK Natural | 2FSK Natural |
| Standard (SCPI)¹ | SOQPSK- TG | CDMA2000 _1X_FWD (F1CD, CDMA2K_1 X_FWD) | CDMA2000 _1X_REV (R1CD) | APCO25_C QPSK | APC025_C 4FM | APCO_P2_ H-CDM | APCO_P2_ H-DQPSK | Blue- tooth_DH1 | Blue- tooth_DH3 |
| Folder | SOQPSK ²⁾ | СБМА | | APCO25 | | | | Bluetooth | |

2) According to Shaped offset QPSK TG (IRIG 106-13) standard, without differential precoding; sample rate = 1 MHz (not defined in standard) 1) The SCPI parameter for remote commands is provided where it differs from the standard name or a short form is available.

| | Standard (SCPI)¹ | Modulation Mapping | Symbol rate | Transmit Filter Meas.Filter | Alpha/BT | Search for Burst | Search for Pattern | Pattern | Result length | Alignment | Evaluation Range |
|---|-------------------------------------|--|-------------|-----------------------------------|----------|---------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| | Blue- tooth_DH5 | 2FSK Natural | 1 MHz | GMSK None | 0.5 | `, | 1 | - | 2870 | Burst to Center | 2 - 2867.75 |
| | Blue- tooth_Low Energy | 2FSK Natural | 1 MHz | GMSK None | 0.5 | , | 1 | 1 | 376 | Burst to Center | 60 - 347.75 |
| | DECT_P32 _FixedPart (DECT_FP) | 2FSK Natural | 1.152 MHz | GMSK None | 0.5 | , | `, | DECT_PP DECT_PP_Pro longed | 424 | Capture Left | 0 - 799.75 |
| | DECT_P32 _Portable- Part | 2FSK Natural | 1.152 MHz | GMSK None | 0.5 | , | `, | DECT_FP DECT_FP_Pro longed | 424 | Capture Left | 1 |
| | DVB_S2_8 PSK | 8PSK DVB_S2_8P SK | 20 MHz | RRC | 0.35 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 06 | Capture Left | 1 |
| | DVB_S2_1 6APSK | UserQAM 16ary DVB_S2_16 APSK_34 | 20 MHz | RRC | 0.35 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 180 | Capture Left | |
| | DVB_S2_3 2APSK | UserQAM 32ary DVB_S2_32 APSK_34 | 20 MHz | RRC | 0.35 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 270 | Capture Left | |
| | DVB_S2_Q PSK | QPSK DVB_S2_Q PSK | 20 MHz | RRC | 0.35 | 1 | | 1 | 06 | Capture Left | 1 |
| i | ZIG- BEE_BPSK 868M_300 K | BPSK Natural | 300 kHz | RC None | 1.0 | , | | | 1000 | Busrt to Center | |

2) According to Shaped offset QPSK TG (IRIG 106-13) standard, without differential precoding; sample rate = 1 MHz (not defined in standard) 1) The SCPI parameter for remote commands is provided where it differs from the standard name or a short form is available.

| Folder | Standard (SCPI)¹ | Modulation Symbol Mapping rate | Symbol rate | Transmit Filter Meas.Filter | Alpha/BT | Search for Burst | Search for Search for Burst Pattern | Pattern | Result length | Alignment Evaluation Range | Evaluation Range |
|--------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------|-----------------------------------|----------|---------------------|-------------------------------------|---------|------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|
| | ZIG-BEE_BPSK N_915M_600 K | BPSK Natural | 600 kHz | RC None | 1.0 | ` | 1 | 1 | 1000 | Burst to Center | 1 |
| | ZIG- BEE_OQP SK_2450M _1M | Offset- QPSK Gray | 1 MHz | Half Sine | 1 | , | 1 | 1 | 1000 | Burst to Center | 1 |

2) According to Shaped offset QPSK TG (IRIG 106-13) standard, without differential precoding; sample rate = 1 MHz (not defined in standard) 1) The SCPI parameter for remote commands is provided where it differs from the standard name or a short form is available.

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C Predefined Measurement and Tx Filters

The most frequently required measurement and TX filters required for vector signal analysis according to digital standards are provided by the R&S FSW VSA application.

For general information on the use of these filters see Chapter 4.1, "Filters and Bandwidths During Signal Processing", on page 61.

C.1 Transmit Filters

The transmit filters required for common standards are predefined in the VSA application.

Table C-1: Overview of predefined Transmit filters

| RC | Raised cosine |
|-------------------------|---|
| RRC | Root raised cosine |
| Gauss | Gauss filter |
| GMSK | Gauss filter convolved with a rectangular filter; typically used for MSK |
| Linearized GMSK | Standard-specific filter for GSM EDGE (3GPP TS 45.004), normal symbol rate |
| EDGE Narrow Pulse Shape | Standard-specific filter for GSM EDGE (higher symbol rate) |
| EDGE Wide Pulse Shape | Standard-specific filter for GSM EDGE (higher symbol rate) |
| Half Sine | Half Sine filter |
| APCO25 C4FM | Filter for the APCO25 C4FM standard. |
| APCO25 H-CPM | Filter for the APCO25 Phase 2 standard. |
| APCO25 H-DQPSK | Filter for the APCO25 Phase 2 standard. |
| APCO25 H-D8PSK Narrow | Filter for the APCO25 Phase 2 standard. |
| APCO25 H-D8PSK Wide | Filter for the APCO25 Phase 2 standard. |
| CDMA2000 1X Forward | Filter for CDMA ONE forward link (TIA/EIA/IS-95-A May 1995) and CDMA2000 1X forward link (http://www.3gpp2.org/Public_html/specs/C.S0002-C_v1.0.pdf 28/05/2002) |
| CDMA2000 1X Reverse | Filter for CDMA ONE forward link (TIA/EIA/IS-95-A May 1995) and CDMA2000 1X reverse link (http://www.3gpp2.org/Public_html/specs/C.S0002-C_v1.0.pdf 28/05/2002) |
| Rectangular | Rectangular filter in the time domain with a length of 1 symbol period |
| Shaped Offset QPSK TG | Filter for shaped offset QPSK TG standard |

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| None | No filter is used. |
|------|--|
| USER | User-defined filter. Define the filter using the [SENSe:]DDEMod: TFILter:USER command. |

C.2 Measurement Filters

The most frequently required measurement filters are predefined in the VSA application.

Table C-2: Overview of predefined measurement filters

| , | |
|-------------------------|---|
| EDGE NSR | Measurement filter required for the "EDGE, Normal Symbol Rate" standard. (see 3GPP TS 45.005, chapter 4.6 Modulation Accuracy). The resulting system is NOT inter-symbol interference free. |
| EDGE HSR (Narrow Pulse) | Measurement filter required for the "EDGE, High Symbol Rate, Narrow Pulse" standard. |
| EDGE HSR (Wide Pulse) | Measurement filter required for the "EDGE, High Symbol Rate, Wide Pulse" standard. |
| Gauss | Classic Gauss filter with an adjustable BT |
| Low ISI Meas Filter | Measurement filter implemented to retain a low intersymbol inferference. Best suited for eye diagrams or I/Q vector diagrams. Not necessarily suited for EVM evaluation due to amplification in the pass band. |
| | (Not available for SOQPSK modulated signals. If selected, the used filter does not provide low-ISI results!) |
| Low Pass (Narrow) | Pass band up to F _{symbol} /2 |
| | Stop band starts at F _{symbol} (-40dB) |
| Low Pass (Wide) | Pass band up to F _{symbol} |
| | Stop band starts at 1.5*F _{symbol} (-40dB) |
| Rectangular | Rectangular filter in the time domain with a length of 1 symbol period; integrate and dump effect |
| RRC | Root Raised Cosine Filter. The roll-off parameter "Alpha" is set according to the Transmit filter if the "Auto (according to Transmit filter)" option is enabled (see "Using the Transmit Filter as a Measurement Filter (Auto)" on page 221). Otherwise it must be set manually. |
| | If the Transmit filter is also a Root Raised Cosine filter with the same roll-off parameter, the resulting system is inter-symbol interference free. |
| USER | User-defined filter. |
| | Define the filter using the Load User Filter function or the [SENSe:]DDEMod:MFILter:USER command. |
| | For details see Chapter 8.2.2, "How to Select User-Defined Filters", on page 254. |
| NONE | No measurement filter is used. |
| | I . |

Typical Combinations of Tx and Measurement Filters

The frequency response of the available standard-specific measurement filters is shown in Chapter F.6.2, "Measurement Filter", on page 528.

C.3 Typical Combinations of Tx and Measurement Filters

Typical combinations of Tx and Meas filters are shown in Table C-3; they can be set in the VSA application using "Meas filter = AUTO" (see "Using the Transmit Filter as a Measurement Filter (Auto)" on page 221).

Table C-3: Typical combinations of Tx and Meas filters

| Transmit filter | Measurement filter (analyzer) | Remarks |
|--------------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| RC (raised cosine) | - | filter combination without intersymbol interference (ISI) |
| RRC (root raised cosine) | RRC | filter combination without ISI |
| GMSK | - | filter combination with low ISI |
| Linearized GMSK | EDGE NSR | standard specific filter; filter combination with ISI |
| Gauss | - | filter combination with low ISI |
| Rectangular | - | filter combination without ISI |
| Half Sine | - | filter combination without ISI |
| CDMA2000 1X FORWARD | Low ISI Meas Filter | filter combination without ISI |
| CDMA2000 1X REVERSE | Low ISI Meas Filter | filter combination without ISI |
| APCO25 C4FM | Rectangular | filter combination without ISI |
| APCO25 H-CPM | Rectangular | filter combination without ISI |
| APCO25 H-DQPSK | Low ISI Meas Filter | filter combination without ISI |
| APCO25 H-D8PSK Narrow | Low ISI Meas Filter | filter combination without ISI |
| APCO25 H-D8PSK Wide | Low ISI Meas Filter | filter combination without ISI |
| EDGE Narrow Pulse Shape | EDGE HSR (Narrow Pulse) | standard specific filter; filter combination with ISI |
| EDGE Wide Pulse Shape | EDGE HSR (Wide Pulse) | standard specific filter; filter combination with ISI |
| User | Low ISI Meas Filter | filter combination with low ISI |

D ASCII File Export Format for VSA Data

The data of the file header consist of three columns, each separated by a semicolon: parameter name; numeric value; basic unit. The data section starts with the keyword "Trace <n>" (<n> = number of stored trace), followed by the measured data in one or several columns (depending on the result type) which are also separated by a semicolon.

If several traces in several windows are exported to one file, the data for each window is listed subsequently. Within the data for a single window, the data for the individual traces is listed subsequently.

For details on which data is stored for which result display, see TRACe < n > [:DATA] on page 464.

Table D-1: ASCII file format for VSA trace data export

| File contents | Description |
|--|--|
| Header | |
| Type;FSW; Type;FSWP; | Instrument model |
| Version;1.40; | Firmware version |
| Date;01.Apr 2012; | Date of data set storage |
| Header section for individual window | |
| Screen;1; | Window name |
| Points per Symbol;4; | Points per symbol |
| x Axis Start;-13;sym; | Start value of the x axis |
| x Axis Stop;135;sym; | Stop value of the x axis |
| y per div;0.2200000000000003; | Y axis range per division |
| Ref value y axis;-10.00;dBm; | Y axis reference value |
| Ref value position;100;%; | Y axis reference position |
| Start of ResultRange in Capture Buffer; 6400;sym | Number of symbol at which exported capture buffer range begins |
| Header section for individual trace | |
| Trace; 1; | First trace |
| Meas Result;IQ; | Result type |
| Meas Signal;Meas; | Data source (measurement or reference data) |
| Demodulator;Offset QPSK; | Demodulation type |
| ResultMode;Trace; | Result mode |
| x unit;sym; | Unit of the x axis |
| y unit;dBm; | Unit of the y axis |

| Description | | |
|---|--|--|
| Trace mode | | |
| Number of measurement points | | |
| | | |
| Measured values: <x value="">, <y1>, <y2>;</y2></y1></x> | | |
| <y2> is only available with detector AUTOPEAK and contains</y2> | | |
| the smallest of the two measured values for a measurement point | | |
| | | |
| | | |
| Next trace in same window | | |
| Result type | | |
| Data source (measurement or reference data) | | |
| Demodulation type | | |
| Result mode | | |
| Unit of the x axis | | |
| Unit of the y axis | | |
| Trace mode | | |
| Number of measurement points | | |
| | | |
| | | |
| | | |
| Name of next window | | |
| | | |
| Header section for individual trace | | |
| First trace in second window | | |
| Data section for individual trace | | |
| | | |
| | | |

E Known Data File Syntax Description

When you load a Known Data file, the R&S FSW-K70 application checks whether the file complies with the following syntax:

Table E-1: Known Data File Syntax

| Syntax | Possible Values | Description |
|--|---|---|
| <rs_vsa_known_data_file Version="01.00"></rs_vsa_known_data_file | as specified | File Header |
| <comment></comment> | arbitrary | Optional file description |
| <base/> | 2 16 | The base used to specify the <data> values (binary or hexadecimal) For <modulationorder> values ≥32, use binary (2).</modulationorder></data> |
| <modulationorder>Order></modulationorder> | 2 4 8 16 32 64 128 256 | Number of values each symbol can represent (order of modulation), e.g. 8 for 8-PSK For <modulationorder> values ≥32, use <base/> = 2.</modulationorder> |
| <resultlength></resultlength> | 1 up to 2000*) | Number of symbols in each <data> element The number must be identical to the "Result Length" setting in the "Result Range" dialog box, i.e. the number of symbols to be demodulated.</data> |
| <data></data> | One character per symbol in the sequence Possible characters are: 0 to n-1, where n is the <modulationorder> Spaces, tabs and line breaks are ignored</modulationorder> | One possible sequence of symbols that can be demodulated from the input signal Up to 6000°) different sequences, i.e. <data>-elements, can be defined in total</data> |
| | as specified | File End |
| *) the exact number also depends on available memory space | | |

Sample xml file for known data

```
<RS VSA KNOWN DATA FILE Version="01.00">
<Comment> Standard EDGE 8PSK </Comment>
<Base> 16 </Base>
<ModulationOrder> 8
                          </ModulationOrder>
<ResultLength> 148
                          </ResultLength>
        777 511 727 242 206 341 366 632 073 607
<Data>
        770 173 705 631 011 235 507 476 330 522
         177 177 171 117 777 177 717 717 111 615
         527 046 104 004 106 047 125 415 723 344
        241 264 773 111 337 446 514 600 677 7
                                               </Data>
         77 511 727 242 206 341 366 632 073 607
<Data>
        770 173 705 631 011 235 507 476 330 522
```

```
177 177 171 117 777 177 717 717 111 615
         527 046 104 004 106 047 125 415 723 344
         <Data>
         7 511 727 242 206 341 366 632 073 607
        770 173 705 631 011 235 507 476 330 522
        177 177 171 117 777 177 717 717 111 615
         527 046 104 004 106 047 125 415 723 344
         241 264 773 111 337 446 514 600 677 7 77 </Data>
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         770 173 705 631 011 235 507 476 330 522
         177 177 171 117 777 177 717 717 111 615
         527 046 104 004 106 047 125 415 723 344
         241 264 773 111 337 446 514 600 677
                                              </Data>
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        770 173 705 631 011 235 507 476 330 522
        177 177 171 117 777 177 717 717 111 615
         527 046 104 004 106 047 125 415 723 344
         241 264 773 111 337 446 514 600 67
                                             </Data>
</RS VSA KNOWN DATA FILE>
```

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| | Analytically Calculated Filters | |
| | Standard-Specific Filters | |

F.1 Trace-based Evaluations

The trace-based evaluations all take place at the sample rate defined by the "Display Points Per Symbol" parameter (see "Display Points/Sym" on page 242). The sampling instants at this rate are referred to as "t" here, i.e.

 $t=n*T_D$

where T_D equals the duration of one sampling period at the sample rate defined by the "Display Points Per Symbol" parameter.

| Test parameter | Formula | |
|------------------------------|---|--|
| Error vector | EV(t) = MEAS(t) - REF(t) | |
| Error Vector Magnitude (EVM) | $EVM(t) = \frac{ EV(t) }{C}$ | |
| | with the normalization contant C depends on your setting. By default C^2 is the mean power of the reference signal. | |
| | $C = \sqrt{\frac{1}{K} \sum_{k} \left REF\left(k \cdot T\right)^{2} \right }$ | |
| | T = duration of symbol periods | |
| Magnitude | $Mag_{MEAS}(t) = MEAS(t) $ | |
| | $Mag_{REF}(t) = REF(t) $ | |
| Phase | $Phase_{MEAS}(t) = \angle (MEAS(t))$ | |
| | $Phase_{REF}(t) = \angle (REF(t))$ | |
| Frequency | $FREQ_{MEAS}(t) = \frac{1}{2 \cdot \pi} \frac{d}{dt} \angle MEAS(t)$ | |
| | $FREQ_{REF}(t) = \frac{1}{2 \cdot \pi} \frac{d}{dt} \angle REF(t)$ | |

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| Test parameter | Formula | |
|-----------------|--|--|
| Magnitude error | $MAG_ERR(t) = MAG_{MEAS}(t) - MAG_{REF}(t)$ | |
| Phase error | $PHASE_ERR(t) = PHASE_{MEAS}(t) - PHASE_{REF}(t)$ | |
| Frequency error | $FREQ_ERR(t) = FREQ_{MEAS}(t) - FREQ_{REF}(t)$ | |

FSK Modulation

The trace based results for FSK signals are the same as those available for linear modulation types. However, as the signal processing for FSK signals is performed on the magnitude and instantaneous frequency, the I/Q based results first require a reconstruction of the reference and measured I/Q waveforms, as illustrated in Reconstruction of the reference and measured I/Q waveforms for FSK modulation.

The dashed outline of the "compensate" blocks indicate that these operations are optionally (de-)activated depending on the corresponding user settings. With respect to FSK measurements, the optional compensation parameters are:

- FSK Reference deviation
- Carrier frequency drift

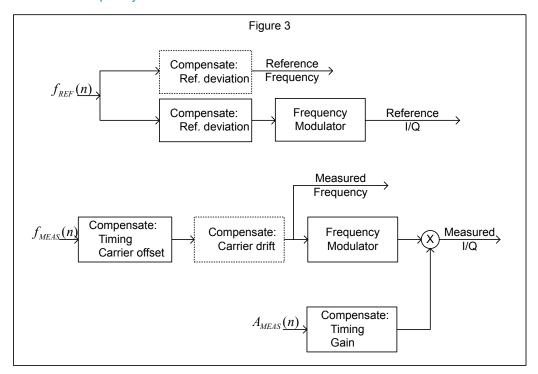


Figure F-1: Reconstruction of the reference and measured I/Q waveforms for FSK modulation

Note that a reference deviation error is corrected in the reference frequency trace. This ensures that the frequency deviation in the measured frequency trace corresponds to that of the originally measured signal. With respect to the I/Q reconstruction, the measured magnitude is timing compensated using the timing offset estimated from the

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measured instantaneous frequency. This ensures that the measured magnitude and frequency remain synchronized in the reconstructed I/Q waveform.

F.2 Result Summary Evaluations

The evaluations for the result summary take place at the sample rate defined by the "Display Points Per Symbol" parameter (see "Display Points/Sym" on page 242). This value can be one of the following:

- "1": only the symbol instant contributes to the result
- "2": two samples per symbol instant contribute to the result (required for offset QPSK)
- the "Sample rate" defined for data acquisition (see "Sample Rate" on page 190): all samples contribute to the result equally

The results are determined by the evaluation range.

The sampling instants at this rate are referred to as "t" here, i.e.

$$t=n*T_D$$

where T_D equals the duration of one sampling period at the sample rate defined by the "Display Points Per Symbol" parameter

F.2.1 PSK, QAM and MSK Modulation

For PSK, QAM and MSK modulation the estimation model is described in detail in chapter Chapter 4.5.1, "PSK, QAM and MSK Modulation", on page 118. The parameters of the PSK, QAM and MSK-specific result summary table can be related to the distortion model parameters as follows:

Table F-1: Evaluation of results in the PSK, QAM and MSK result summary

| EVM | RMS | $\sqrt{\frac{1}{N}\sum_{n}EVM(n\cdot T_{D})^{2}}$ | |
|---------------------|------|---|--|
| | Peak | $\max(EVM(n \cdot T_D))$ | |
| Modulation error | RMS | $-20 \cdot \log_{10} \left(\frac{\sqrt{\frac{1}{N} \sum_{n} EV(n \cdot T_{D}) ^{2}}}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{K} \sum_{k} REF(k \cdot T) ^{2}}} \right)$ | |

Result Summary Evaluations

Formulae

| | Peak | $\min (MER(n \cdot T_D))$ | |
|-------------------------------|------|--|--|
| | | with MER($n \cdot T_D$) = -20 · log ₁₀ $\left(\frac{\sqrt{\frac{1}{N} \sum_{n} EV(n \cdot T_D) ^2}}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{K} \sum_{k} REF(k \cdot T) ^2}} \right)$ | |
| Magnitude error | RMS | $\sqrt{\frac{1}{N}} \sum_{n} MAG_ERR(n \cdot T_D) ^2$ | |
| | Peak | $\max \left(MAG_ERR \left(n \cdot T_D \right) \right)$ | |
| Phase error | RMS | $\sqrt{\frac{1}{N}} \sum_{n} PHASE_ERR(n \cdot T_D) ^2$ | |
| | Peak | $\max(PHASE_ERR(n \cdot T_D))$ | |
| RHO (correlation coefficient) | | $\rho = \frac{\left \sum_{n} REF * (n) \cdot MEAS(n)\right ^{2}}{\sum_{n} \left REF(n)\right ^{2} \cdot \sum_{n} \left MEAS(n)\right ^{2}} = \frac{\left KKF(MEAS, REF)\right ^{2}}{AKF(REF) \cdot AKF(MEAS)}$ | |
| IQ Offset C | | $C_{[lin]} = \frac{\left(\frac{c_I}{g_I}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{c_Q}{g_Q}\right)^2}{\frac{1}{K} \sum_{k} REF(k \cdot T) ^2}$ $C = 10 \cdot \log_{10} \left(C_{[lin]}\right) [dB]$ | |
| IQ Imbalance B | | $B_{[lin]} = \frac{\left g_I - g_Q \cdot e^{j\theta} \right }{\left g_I + g_Q \cdot e^{j\theta} \right }$ $B = 20 \cdot \log_{10} \left(B_{[lin]} \right) \left[\text{dB} \right]$ | |
| Gain Imbal- ance G | | $G_{[lin]} = \frac{g_Q}{g_i}$ $G = 20 \cdot \log_{10} (G_{[lin]}) [dB]$ | |

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| Quadrature Error Θ | $\theta_{[lin]} = \frac{9}{\pi} \cdot 180^{\circ}$ $\theta = \theta_{[lin]} [\deg]$ | |
|-----------------------|--|--|
| Amplitude Droop A | $A_{[lin]} = e^{-\alpha \cdot T}$ $A = 20 \cdot \log_{10} \left(A_{[lin]} \right) dB / Sym$ | |

F.2.2 FSK Modulation

For FSK modulation the estimation model is described in detail in section Chapter 4.5.2, "FSK Modulation", on page 128. The parameters of the FSK-specific result summary table can be related to the distortion model parameters as follows:

Table F-2: Evaluation of results in the FSK result summary

| Frequency Error | RMS | $\sqrt{\frac{1}{N}\sum_{n}\left FREQ_ERR(n\cdot T_{D})\right ^{2}}$ |
|---------------------------|------|--|
| | Peak | $\max(FREQ_ERR(n \cdot T_D))$ |
| Magnitude Error | RMS | $\sqrt{\frac{1}{N} \sum_{n} MAG_ERR(n \cdot T_D) ^2}$ |
| | Peak | $\max\left(MAG_ERR(n\cdot T_D)\right)$ |
| FSK Deviation Error | | $\Lambda_{ERR} = \Lambda_{MEAS} - \Lambda_{REF} = (B-1) \cdot \Lambda_{REF}$ |
| Λ_{ERR} | | Estimated FSK deviation error [Hz]. |
| FSK Measurement Deviation | | $\Lambda_{MEAS} = B \cdot \Lambda_{REF}$ |
| Λ_{MEAS} | | Estimated FSK deviation of the meas signal [Hz]. |
| FSK Reference Deviation | | FSK reference deviation as entered by the user [Hz]. |
| $\Lambda_{\it REF}$ | | |

Statistical Evaluations for the Result Summary

| Carrier Frequency Error f_0 | $f_0 = \frac{C}{2 \cdot \pi}$ | |
|-------------------------------|--|----------|
| | The carrier frequency error of the measured signa | al [Hz]. |
| Carrier Frequency Drift f_d | $f_d = \frac{D}{2 \cdot \pi \cdot T}$ | |
| | The drift in the carrier frequency of the measured [Hz/Sym]. | signal |

F.3 Statistical Evaluations for the Result Summary

The statistical evaluations in the result summary are based on the measurement results that are displayed in the "Current" column. Hence, the index "m" here represents the current evaluation, "M" is the total number of evaluations. In single sweep mode, M coresponds to the statistics count.

If the measurement values are represented in the logarithmic domain, the linear values are averaged. The result is then subsequently converted back into logarithmic domain. The linear values are indicated by the subscript [lin] in Chapter F.2.1, "PSK, QAM and MSK Modulation", on page 522.

| | Mathematical expression | Calculation in R&S FSW |
|------------------|---|--|
| Mean \hat{x}_M | $\overline{x}_M = \frac{1}{M} \sum_m x_m$ | $\overline{x}_M = \frac{(M-1) \cdot \overline{x}_{M-1} + x_M}{M}$ |
| | | with |
| | | $\overline{x}_0 = 0$ |
| Peak \hat{x}_M | $\hat{x}_M = x_{idx}$ | $\begin{vmatrix} \hat{x}_M = x_M \text{ if } x_M > \hat{x}_{M-1} \\ \hat{x}_M = x_{M-1} \text{ if } x_M \le \hat{x}_{M-1} \end{vmatrix}$ |
| I M | with | $ x_M = x_{M-1} \text{ if } x_M \le x_{M-1} $ |
| | $idx = \arg\max_{m} x_{m} $ | with |
| | | $\overline{x}_0 = 0$ |

Analytically Calculated Filters

| | Mathematical expression | Calculation in R&S FSW |
|---------------------|---|--|
| StdDev σ_{M} | $\sigma_M = \sqrt{\frac{1}{M} \sum_m \left(x_m - \overline{x}_m \right)^2}$ with $\overline{x}_M = \frac{1}{M} \sum_m x_m$ | $\sigma_{M} = \sqrt{\frac{(M-1)\cdot\sigma_{M-1}^{2} + \frac{M}{M-1}(x_{M} - \overline{x}_{M})^{2}}{M}}$ with $\sigma_{0} = 0$ |
| 95%ile | $x_{95,M} = \{x \Pr(x_m \le x) = 0.95 \}$ | Sorting the values and giving the 95%ile. |
| $x_{95,M}$ | Pr() denotes the probability | |

F.4 Trace Averaging

The index "m" represents the current evaluation, "M" is the total number of evaluations. In single sweep mode, M coresponds to the statistics count. The index "s" represents the sth sample within the trace.

If the measurement results are represented in logarithmic domain, the average operation is performed on the linear values. The result is then subsequently converted back into logarithmic domain.

| | Measurements | Calculation in R&S FSW |
|-------------------------------------|--|--|
| RMS Average $\overline{x}_{s,M}$ | Error Vector Magnitude (EVM) Meas/Ref magnitude Capture Buffer magnitude | $\overline{x}_{s,M} = \sqrt{\frac{(M-1) \cdot \overline{x}_{s,M-1}^2 + x_{s,M}^2}{M}}$ |
| Linear Average $\overline{x}_{s,M}$ | All measurements where trace averaging is possible except for the measurements listed for RMS averaging | $\overline{x}_{s,M} = \frac{(M-1) \cdot \overline{x}_{s,M-1} + x_{s,M}}{M}$ |

F.5 Analytically Calculated Filters

The following filters are calculated during runtime of the unit and as a function of the operating parameter Alpha or BT.

Standard-Specific Filters

| Filter Type | Setting Parameter | Impulse Response |
|--|-------------------|---|
| Raised cosine (RC) | Alpha (α) | $h(t) = \frac{\sin\left(\frac{\pi t}{T}\right)}{\left(\frac{\pi t}{T}\right)} \cdot \frac{\cos\left(\frac{\pi \alpha t}{T}\right)}{1 - 4\left(\frac{\alpha t}{T}\right)^2}$ |
| Root raised cosine (RRC) | Alpha (α) | $h(t) = 4\alpha \frac{\cos((1+\alpha)\pi t/T) + \frac{\sin((1-\alpha)\pi t/T)}{4\alpha t/T}}{\pi\sqrt{T}\left(-(4\alpha t/T)^2\right)}$ |
| Gaussian filter (Gauss) ETSI TS 100 959 (V8.3.0) | ВТ | $h(t) = \frac{\exp\left(\frac{-t^2}{2\rho^2 T^2}\right)}{\sqrt{(2\pi) \cdot \rho T}}$ with $\rho = \frac{\sqrt{\ln 2}}{2\pi BT}$ |

F.6 Standard-Specific Filters

F.6.1 Transmit filter

EDGE Tx filter ETSI TS 300 959 (V8.1.2) (Linearized GMSK)

$$c_0(t) = \begin{cases} \prod_{i=0}^{3} S(t+iT) & \text{for } 0 \le t \le 5T \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

$$S(t) = \begin{cases} \sin\left(\pi \int_{0}^{t} g(t')dt'\right) & \text{for } 0 \le t \le 4T \\ \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \pi \int_{0}^{t-4T} g(t')dt'\right) & \text{for } 4T < t \le 8T \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

$$g(t) = \frac{1}{2T} \left(Q \left(2\pi \cdot 0.3 \frac{t - 5T/2}{T\sqrt{\ln(2)}} \right) - Q \left(2\pi \cdot 0.3 \frac{t - 3T/2}{T\sqrt{\ln(2)}} \right) \right)$$

Standard-Specific Filters

$$Q(t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{t}^{\infty} e^{\frac{\tau^2}{2}} d\tau$$

c₀(t) is the impulse response of the EDGE transmit filter

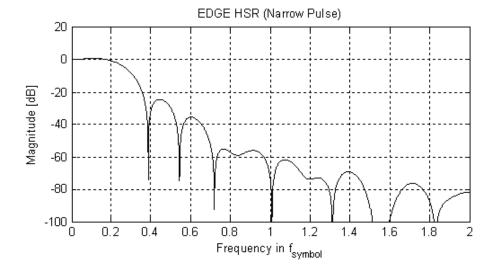
F.6.2 Measurement Filter

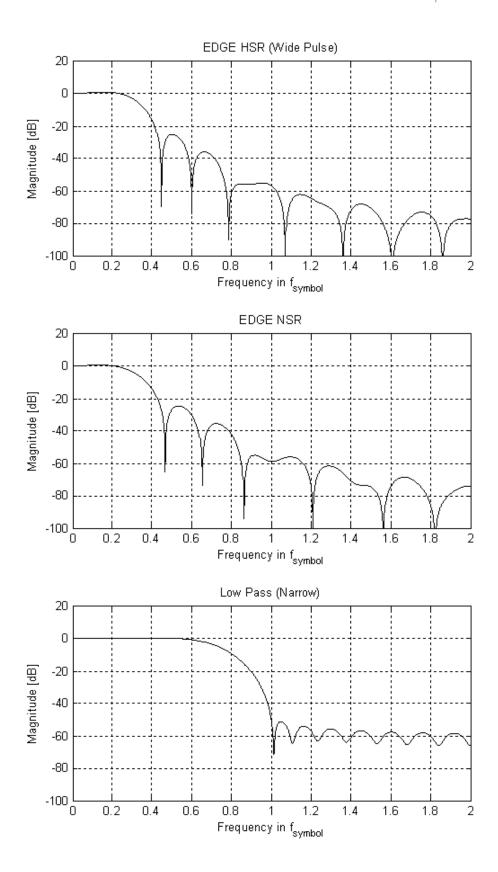
F.6.2.1 EDGE Measurement filters

RC filter, Alpha = 0.25, single-side-band 6 dB bandwith = 90 kHz Windowing by multiplying the impulse response according to the following equation:

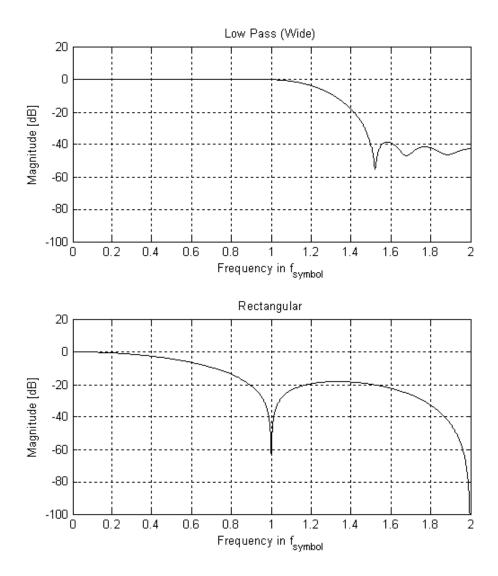
$$w(t) = \begin{cases} 1, & 0 \le |t| \le 1.5T \\ 0.5(1 + \cos[\pi(t) - 1.5T)/2.25T) & 1.5T < |t| < 3.75T \\ 0, & |t| \ge 3.75T \end{cases}$$

The following figure shows the frequency response of the standard-specific measurement filters.



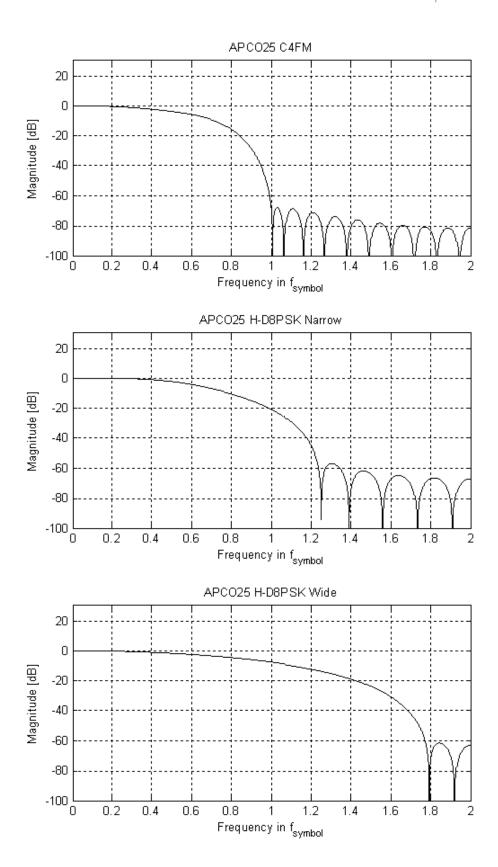


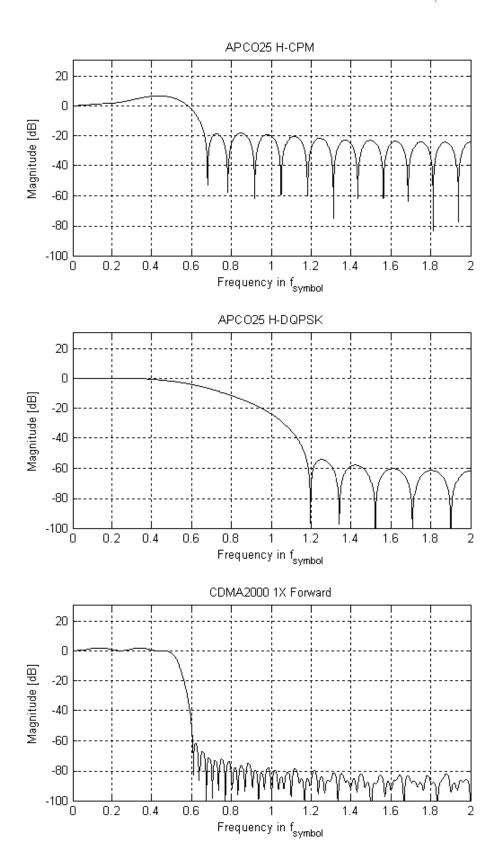
Standard-Specific Filters

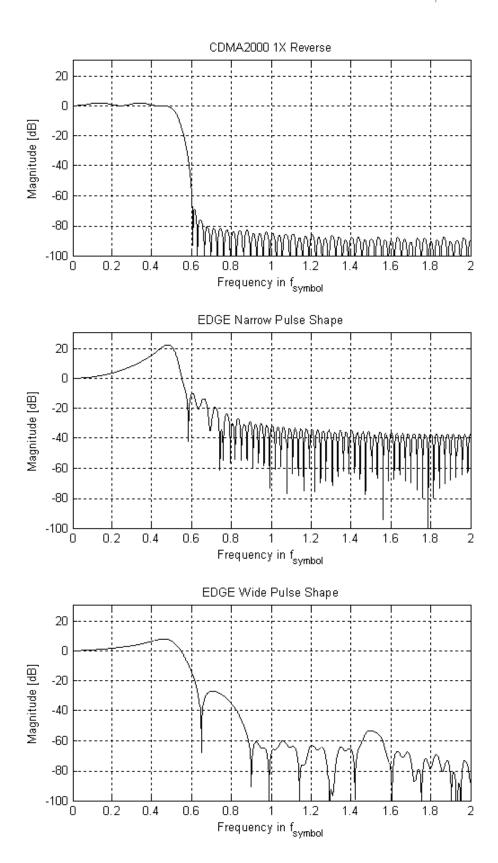


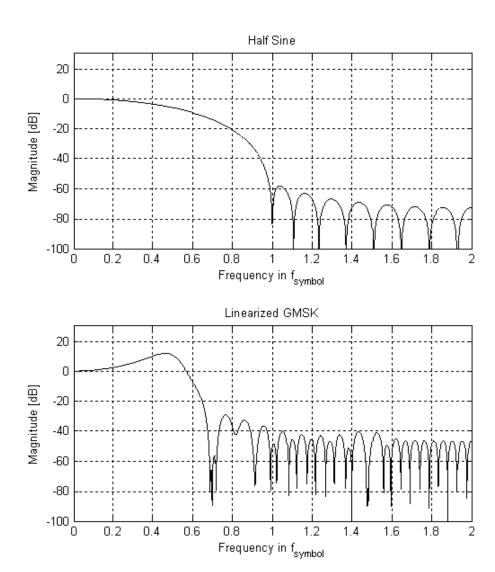
F.6.2.2 Low-ISI Filters

The following frequency responses are obtained when using a low-ISI measurment filter and the Transmit filter indicated in the title of each diagram.









G I/Q Data File Format (iq-tar)

I/Q data is packed in a file with the extension <code>.iq.tar</code>. An iq-tar file contains I/Q data in binary format together with meta information that describes the nature and the source of data, e.g. the sample rate. The objective of the iq-tar file format is to separate I/Q data from the meta information while still having both inside one file. In addition, the file format allows you to preview the I/Q data in a web browser, and allows you to include user-specific data.

The iq-tar container packs several files into a single .tar archive file. Files in .tar format can be unpacked using standard archive tools (see http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Comparison_of_file_archivers) available for most operating systems. The advantage of .tar files is that the archived files inside the .tar file are not changed (not compressed) and thus it is possible to read the I/Q data directly within the archive without the need to unpack (untar) the .tar file first.



Sample iq-tar files

Some sample iq-tar files are provided in the $C:/R_S/Instr/user/vsa/DemoSignals$ directory on the R&S FSW.

Contained files

An iq-tar file must contain the following files:

- I/Q parameter XML file, e.g. xyz.xml
 Contains meta information about the I/Q data (e.g. sample rate). The filename can be defined freely, but there must be only one single I/Q parameter XML file inside an iq-tar file.
- I/Q data binary file, e.g. xyz.complex.float32
 Contains the binary I/Q data of all channels. There must be only one single I/Q data binary file inside an iq-tar file.

Optionally, an ig-tar file can contain the following file:

I/Q preview XSLT file, e.g. open_IqTar_xml_file_in_web_browser.xslt
 Contains a stylesheet to display the I/Q parameter XML file and a preview of the I/Q data in a web browser.

A sample stylesheet is available at http://www.rohde-schwarz.com/file/open_lqTar_xml_file_in_web_browser.xslt.

G.1 I/Q Parameter XML File Specification



The content of the I/Q parameter XML file must comply with the XML schema RsIqTar.xsd available at: http://www.rohde-schwarz.com/file/RsIqTar.xsd.

In particular, the order of the XML elements must be respected, i.e. iq-tar uses an "ordered XML schema". For your own implementation of the iq-tar file format make sure to validate your XML file against the given schema.

The following example shows an I/Q parameter XML file. The XML elements and attributes are explained in the following sections.

Sample I/Q parameter XML file: xyz.xml

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<?xml-stylesheet type="text/xsl"</pre>
href="open_IqTar_xml_file_in_web_browser.xslt"?>
<RS IQ TAR FileFormat fileFormatVersion="1"</pre>
xsi:noNamespaceSchemaLocation="RsIqTar.xsd"
xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance">
 <Name>R&S FSW</Name>
 <Comment>Here is a comment
 <DateTime>2011-01-24T14:02:49
 <Samples>68751</Samples>
 <Clock unit="Hz">6.5e+006</Clock>
 <Format>complex</Format>
 <DataType>float32
 <ScalingFactor unit="V">1</ScalingFactor>
 <NumberOfChannels>1</NumberOfChannels>
<DataFilename>xyz.complex.float32
<UserData>
 <UserDefinedElement>Example/UserDefinedElement>
</UserData>
 <PreviewData>...</PreviewData>
</RS IQ TAR FileFormat>
```

| Element | Description |
|---------------------------|---|
| RS_IQ_TAR_File- Format | The root element of the XML file. It must contain the attribute fileFormatVersion that contains the number of the file format definition. Currently, fileFormatVersion "2" is used. |
| Name | Optional: describes the device or application that created the file. |
| Comment | Optional: contains text that further describes the contents of the file. |
| DateTime | Contains the date and time of the creation of the file. Its type is xs:dateTime (see RsIqTar.xsd). |

I/Q Parameter XML File Specification

| Element | Description | |
|-----------------------|--|--|
| Samples | Contains the number of samples of the I/Q data. For multi-channel signals all channels have the same number of samples. One sample can be: • A complex number represented as a pair of I and Q values • A complex number represented as a pair of magnitude and phase values • A real number represented as a single real value | |
| | See also Format element. | |
| Clock | Contains the clock frequency in Hz, i.e. the sample rate of the I/Q data. A signal generator typically outputs the I/Q data at a rate that equals the clock frequency. If the I/Q data was captured with a signal analyzer, the signal analyzer used the clock frequency as the sample rate. The attribute unit must be set to "Hz". | |
| Format | Specifies how the binary data is saved in the I/Q data binary file (see DataFilename element). Every sample must be in the same format. The format can be one of the following: complex: Complex number in cartesian format, i.e. I and Q values interleaved. I and Q are unitless real: Real number (unitless) polar: Complex number in polar format, i.e. magnitude (unitless) and phase (rad) values interleaved. Requires DataType = float32 or float64 | |
| DataType | Specifies the binary format used for samples in the I/Q data binary file (see DataFilename element and Chapter G.2, "I/Q Data Binary File", on page 539). The following data types are allowed: int8: 8 bit signed integer data int16: 16 bit signed integer data int32: 32 bit signed integer data float32: 32 bit floating point data (IEEE 754) float64: 64 bit floating point data (IEEE 754) | |
| ScalingFactor | Optional: describes how the binary data can be transformed into values in the unit Volt. The binary I/Q data itself has no unit. To get an I/Q sample in the unit Volt the saved samples have to be multiplied by the value of the ScalingFactor. For polar data only the magnitude value has to be multiplied. For multi-channel signals the ScalingFactor must be applied to all channels. | |
| | The attribute unit must be set to "V". | |
| | The ScalingFactor must be > 0. If the ScalingFactor element is not defined, a value of 1 V is assumed. | |
| NumberOfChan- nels | Optional: specifies the number of channels, e.g. of a MIMO signal, contained in the I/Q data binary file. For multi-channels, the I/Q samples of the channels are expected to be interleaved within the I/Q data file (see Chapter G.2, "I/Q Data Binary File", on page 539). If the NumberOfChannels element is not defined, one channel is assumed. | |
| DataFilename | Contains the filename of the I/Q data binary file that is part of the iq-tar file. | |
| | It is recommended that the filename uses the following convention: <pre></pre> | |

I/Q Parameter XML File Specification

| Element | Description |
|-------------|---|
| UserData | Optional: contains user, application or device-specific XML data which is not part of the iq-tar specification. This element can be used to store additional information, e.g. the hardware configuration. User data must be valid XML content. |
| PreviewData | Optional: contains further XML elements that provide a preview of the I/Q data. The preview data is determined by the routine that saves an iq-tar file (e.g. R&S FSW). For the definition of this element refer to the RsIqTar.xsd schema. Note that the preview can be only displayed by current web browsers that have JavaScript enabled and if the XSLT stylesheet open_IqTar_xml_file_in_web_browser.xslt is available. |

Example: ScalingFactor

Data stored as int16 and a desired full scale voltage of 1 V

ScalingFactor = 1 V / maximum int16 value = 1 V / 2^{15} = 3.0517578125e-5 V

| Scaling Factor | Numerical value | Numerical value x ScalingFactor |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Minimum (negative) int16 value | - 2 ¹⁵ = - 32768 | -1 V |
| Maximum (positive) int16 value | 215-1= 32767 | 0.999969482421875 V |

Example: PreviewData in XML

```
<PreviewData>
   <ArrayOfChannel length="1">
     <Channel>
       <PowerVsTime>
          <Min>
           <ArrayOfFloat length="256">
             <float>-134</float>
             <float>-142</float>
             <float>-140</float>
           </ArrayOfFloat>
          </{\rm Min}>
          <Max>
           <ArrayOfFloat length="256">
             <float>-70</float>
             <float>-71</float>
             <float>-69</float>
            </ArrayOfFloat>
          </Max>
        </PowerVsTime>
        <Spectrum>
          <Min>
           <ArrayOfFloat length="256">
             <float>-133</float>
             <float>-111</float>
```

I/Q Data Binary File

```
<float>-111</float>
          </ArrayOfFloat>
       </Min>
        <Max>
          <ArrayOfFloat length="256">
           <float>-67</float>
           <float>-69</float>
           <float>-70</float>
           <float>-69</float>
          </ArrayOfFloat>
       </Max>
      </Spectrum>
       <Histogram width="64" height="64">0123456789...0/Histogram>
      </IQ>
   </Channel>
 </ArrayOfChannel>
</PreviewData>
```

G.2 I/Q Data Binary File

The I/Q data is saved in binary format according to the format and data type specified in the XML file (see Format element and DataType element). To allow reading and writing of streamed I/Q data, all data is interleaved, i.e. complex values are interleaved pairs of I and Q values and multi-channel signals contain interleaved (complex) samples for channel 0, channel 1, channel 2 etc. If the NumberOfChannels element is not defined, one channel is presumed.

Example: Element order for real data (1 channel)

Example: Element order for complex cartesian data (1 channel)

```
I[0], Q[0], // Real and imaginary part of complex sample 0 I[1], Q[1], // Real and imaginary part of complex sample 1 I[2], Q[2], // Real and imaginary part of complex sample 2
```

Example: Element order for complex polar data (1 channel)

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Example: Element order for complex cartesian data (3 channels)

Complex data: I[channel no][time index], Q[channel no][time index]

```
I[0][0], Q[0][0],
                           // Channel 0, Complex sample 0
                          // Channel 1, Complex sample 0
I[1][0], Q[1][0],
I[2][0], Q[2][0],
                           // Channel 2, Complex sample 0
I[0][1], Q[0][1],
                          // Channel 0, Complex sample 1
I[1][1], Q[1][1],
                          // Channel 1, Complex sample 1
I[2][1], Q[2][1],
                           // Channel 2, Complex sample 1
I[0][2], Q[0][2],
                          // Channel 0, Complex sample 2
                          // Channel 1, Complex sample 2
I[1][2], Q[1][2],
I[2][2], Q[2][2],
                           // Channel 2, Complex sample 2
```

Example: Element order for complex cartesian data (1 channel)

This example demonstrates how to store complex cartesian data in float32 format using MATLAB[®].

```
% Save vector of complex cartesian I/Q data, i.e. iqiqiq...
N = 100
iq = randn(1,N)+1j*randn(1,N)
fid = fopen('xyz.complex.float32','w');
for k=1:length(iq)
   fwrite(fid,single(real(iq(k))),'float32');
   fwrite(fid,single(imag(iq(k))),'float32');
end
fclose(fid)
```

List of Remote Commands (VSA)

| [SENSe:]ADJust:CONFigure:DURation | 408 |
|---|-----|
| [SENSe:]ADJust:CONFigure:DURation:MODE | 409 |
| [SENSe:]ADJust:CONFigure:HYSTeresis:LOWer | 409 |
| [SENSe:]ADJust:CONFigure:HYSTeresis:UPPer | 410 |
| [SENSe:]ADJust:CONFigure:TRIG | 410 |
| [SENSe:]ADJust:LEVel | 410 |
| [SENSe:]CORRection:CVL:BAND | 340 |
| [SENSe:]CORRection:CVL:BIAS | 340 |
| [SENSe:]CORRection:CVL:CATAlog? | 341 |
| [SENSe:]CORRection:CVL:CLEAr | 341 |
| [SENSe:]CORRection:CVL:COMMent | 341 |
| [SENSe:]CORRection:CVL:DATA | 341 |
| [SENSe:]CORRection:CVL:HARMonic | 342 |
| [SENSe:]CORRection:CVL:MIXer | 342 |
| [SENSe:]CORRection:CVL:PORTs | 342 |
| [SENSe:]CORRection:CVL:SELect | 343 |
| [SENSe:]CORRection:CVL:SNUMber | 343 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:APSK:NSTate | 320 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:ASK:NSTate | 321 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:ECALc:OFFSet | 397 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:ECALc[:MODE] | 396 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:EPRate:AUTO | 397 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:EPRate[:VALue] | 398 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:EQUalizer:LENGth | 398 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:EQUalizer:LOAD | 399 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:EQUalizer:MODE | |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:EQUalizer:RESet | 400 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:EQUalizer:SAVE | 400 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:EQUalizer[:STATe] | 400 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:FACTory[:VALue] | 317 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:FILTer:ALPHa | 321 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:FILTer[:STATe] | 321 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:FORMat | 321 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:FSK:NSTate | |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:FSYNc:AUTO | 400 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:FSYNc:LEVel | 400 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:FSYNc:RESult? | 401 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:FSYNc[:MODE] | 401 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:KDATa:STATe | 401 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:KDATa[:NAME] | |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:MAPPing:CATalog? | 323 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:MAPPing[:VALue] | 323 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:MFILter:ALPHa | 405 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:MFILter:AUTO | 405 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:MFILter:NAME | 405 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:MFILter:USER | 406 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:MEII ter[:STATe] | 405 |

| [SENSe:]DDEMod:MSK:FORMat | 323 |
|---|-----|
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:NORMalize:ADRoop | 402 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:NORMalize:CFDRift | 402 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:NORMalize:CHANnel | 402 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:NORMalize:FDERror | 402 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:NORMalize:IQIMbalance | 403 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:NORMalize:IQOFfset | 403 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:NORMalize:SRERror | 403 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:NORMalize[:VALue] | 497 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:OPTimization | |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:PRATe | |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:PRESet:RLEVel | 366 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:PRESet:RLEVel | 410 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:PRESet[:STANdard] | 317 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:PSK:FORMat | |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:PSK:NSTate | 324 |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:QAM:FORMat | |
| [SENSe:]DDEMod:QAM:NSTate | |
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