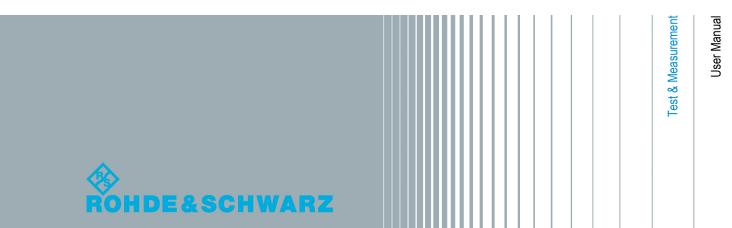
# R&S®FSW-K17 Firmware Option Multi-Carrier Group Delay Measurement User Manual







This manual applies to the following R&S®FSW models with firmware version 1.51 and higher:

- R&S®FSW8 (1312.8000K08)
- R&S®FSW13 (1312.8000K13)
- R&S®FSW26 (1312.8000K26)

The following firmware options are described:

• R&S FSW-K17 (1313.4150.02)

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The following abbreviations are used throughout this manual: R&S®FSW is abbreviated as R&S FSW.

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About this Manual

# 1 Preface

#### 1.1 About this Manual

This Multi-Carrier Group Delay 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 Multi-Carrier Group Delay Application Introduction to and getting familiar with the application

#### About the measurement

General concept of the MCGD measurement and typical applications

#### 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

# How to Perform Measurements in the Multi-Carrier Group Delay Application Step-by-step instructions to perform a basic MCGD measurement

#### 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 Multi-Carrier Group Delay Measurements

Remote commands required to configure and perform Multi-Carrier Group Delay 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

#### Annex

Reference material

#### • List of remote commands

Alpahabetical list of all remote commands described in the manual

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**Documentation Overview** 

#### 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
- Documentation CD-ROM with:
  - Getting Started
  - User Manuals for base unit and options
  - Service Manual
  - Release Notes
  - Data sheet and product brochures

#### **Online Help**

The Online Help is embedded in the instrument's firmware. It offers quick, context-sensitive access to the complete information needed for operation and programming. Online help is available using the ? icon on the toolbar of the R&S FSW.

#### **Getting Started**

This manual is delivered with the instrument in printed form and in PDF format on the CD. It provides the information needed to set up and start working with the instrument. Basic operations and handling are described. Safety information is also included.

The Getting Started manual in various languages is also available for download from the R&S website, on the R&S FSW product page at http://www2.rohde-schwarz.com/product/FSW.html.

#### **User Manuals**

User manuals are provided for the base unit and each additional (software) option.

The user manuals are available in PDF format - in printable form - on the Documentation CD-ROM delivered with the instrument. In the user manuals, all instrument functions are described in detail. Furthermore, they provide a complete description of the remote control commands with programming examples.

The user manual for the base unit provides basic information on operating the R&S FSW in general, and the Spectrum application in particular. Furthermore, the software functions that enhance the basic functionality for various applications are described here. An introduction to remote control is provided, as well as information on maintenance, instrument interfaces and troubleshooting.

In the individual application manuals, the specific instrument functions of the application are described in detail. For additional information on default settings and parameters, refer to the data sheets. Basic information on operating the R&S FSW is not included in the application manuals.

All user manuals are also available for download from the R&S website, on the R&S FSW product page at http://www2.rohde-schwarz.com/product/FSW.html.

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#### **Service Manual**

This manual is available in PDF format on the CD delivered with the instrument. It describes how to check compliance with rated specifications, instrument function, repair, troubleshooting and fault elimination. It contains all information required for repairing the R&S FSW by replacing modules.

#### **Release Notes**

The release notes describe the installation of the firmware, new and modified functions, eliminated problems, and last minute changes to the documentation. The corresponding firmware version is indicated on the title page of the release notes.

The most recent release notes are also available for download from the R&S website, on the R&S FSW product page at http://www2.rohde-schwarz.com/product/FSW.html > Downloads > Firmware.

#### 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.
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.

Conventions Used in the Documentation

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.

Starting the Multi-Carrier Group Delay Application

# 2 Welcome to the Multi-Carrier Group Delay Application

The R&S FSW-K17 option is a firmware application that adds functionality to perform Multi-Carrier Group Delay measurements to the R&S FSW.

The Multi-Carrier Group Delay application features:

- highly accurate group delay measurement for large spans
- orthogonal measurement method
- · frequency converted group delay measurement
- storage and loading functions for reference data
- storage functions for measurement settings and results
- graphical display of:
  - group delay
  - magnitude and phase at carrier frequency points in measurement or reference signal
- interactive or remote measurement control

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

All functions not discussed in this manual are the same as in the base unit and are described in the R&S FSW User Manual. The latest version is available for download at the product homepage.

#### Installation

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

## 2.1 Starting the Multi-Carrier Group Delay Application

The Multi-Carrier Group Delay application adds a new measurement to the R&S FSW.

#### To activate the Multi-Carrier Group Delay application

- Press the MODE key on the front panel of the R&S FSW.
   A dialog box opens that contains all operating modes and applications currently available on your R&S FSW.
- 2. Select the "MC Group Delay" item.



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The R&S FSW opens a new measurement channel for the Multi-Carrier Group Delay application.

The measurement is started immediately with the default settings. It can be configured in the Multi-Carrier Group Delay "Overview" dialog box, which is displayed when you select the "Overview" softkey from any menu (see chapter 6.2, "Configuration Overview", on page 25).

#### **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{C}\$ symbol in the tab label. The result displays of the individual channels are updated in the tabs (including 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.

# 2.2 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.

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- 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 evaluation
- 5 = Instrument status bar with error messages, progress bar and date/time display

#### **Channel bar information**

In the Multi-Carrier Group Delay application, the R&S FSW shows the following settings:

Table 2-1: Information displayed in the channel bar in the Multi-Carrier Group Delay application

Ref Level	Reference level
Att	Mechanical and electronic RF attenuation
Offset	Reference level offset
Freq	Center frequency for the RF signal
Meas Time	Measurement time
Span	Measurement bandwidth
Last Ref Cal	Timestamp of most recently performed reference calibration (if it has already been performed)
Ref Cal Freq	Frequency used for reference calibration
Group Delay	Mode of group delay result display (absolute or relative)
Carrier Offset	Offset of the carrier from the center frequency

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

Understanding the Display Information

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:



Fig. 2-1: Window title bar information in Multi-Carrier Group Delay application

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

#### **Diagram footer information**

The diagram footer (beneath the diagram) contains the center frequency and span and the range displayed per division.

#### 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.

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# 3 About the Measurement

#### Frequency delay in transmitted signals

All frequency components of a signal are delayed when passed through a device such as an amplifier, a loudspeaker, or propagated through space or a medium, such as air. This signal delay will be different for the various frequencies unless the device has the property of being linear phase. The delay variation means that signals consisting of multiple frequency components will suffer distortion because these components are not delayed by the same amount of time at the output of the device. This changes the shape of the signal in addition to any constant delay, which can result in a signal that no longer matches the receiver filter, which in turn results in degraded Signal to Noise Ratio (SNR) or Bit Error Rate (BER).

#### Group delay as a characterization of transmission components

The delay of all frequencies together is referred to as the group delay and can be used to characterize the quality of transmission for such components. Group delay is also a measure of how long it takes for a signal's information to propagate through a channel or device under test.

Since digital modulation schemes in which the frequency plays an important role are very common, the group delay is of special interest to all manufacturers or testers of transmission components, as well as frequency converters. Satellite transponders, for example, need to be characterized by the phase transmission in addition to the amplitude transmission. Both values can be determined precisely and easily with the R&S FSW Multi-Carrier Group Delay application.

#### The Multi-Carrier Group Delay measurement method

The R&S FSW Multi-Carrier Group Delay application evaluates an input signal provided by a signal generator. After a preliminary reference measurement of this signal without the device under test, the same signal is evaluated with the device subsequently. Instead of evaluating the timing of the signals, the phase shift and magnitude response of multiple carriers across frequency is measured. A baseband signal consisting of several unmodulated carriers with a fixed step size is used as an input signal, allowing for a very quick wideband measurement. By measuring the phase differences between the two signals at the input and at the output, the application calculates the relative phase between output and input.

However, the phase of the carriers at the input to the DUT does not actually have to be measured. Instead, the results are normalized. That way, no reference path or connection is needed between the input and the output of the DUT. A reference mixer in the signal generator provides a phase reference at the IF frequency. Thus, a constant delay factor is eliminated and the group delay is calculated relative to the reference signal.

If an external trigger is used, the absolute group delay can also be calculated. Absolute group delay is of interest for instance to equalize the delay of two channels, characterize cables and design quadrature FM demodulators.

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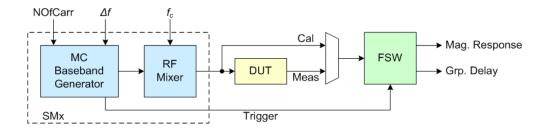


Fig. 3-1: Multi-Carrier Group Delay Measurement Setup

# 4 Measurements and Result Display

The data that was measured by the R&S FSW can be evaluated using various different methods. In the Multi-Carrier Group Delay application, up to 6 evaluation methods can be displayed simultaneously in separate windows.

All results are determined from the I/Q data set captured for the measurement.

#### **Storing Results**

The results of the Multi-Carrier Group Delay measurement can be stored to a file, either in CSV or ASCII format. The results of the calibration (reference) measurement can also be stored in CSV format.

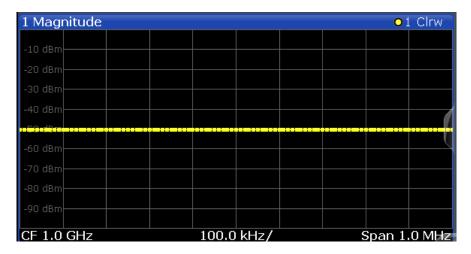
## 4.1 Evaluation Methods for Multi-Carrier Group Delay

The following evaluation methods can be selected for Multi-Carrier Group Delay measurements.

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#### Magnitude

Displays the spectrum of the input signal. In contrast to the Spectrum application, the frequency values are determined using an *Discrete frequency transformation* (DFT) from the recorded I/Q data set.



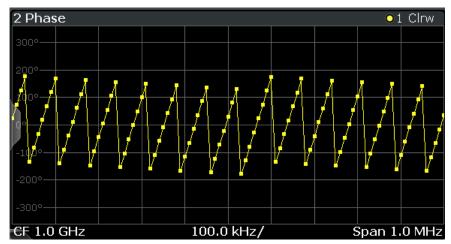
#### SCPI command:

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(see LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]? on page 109)

#### **Phase**

Displays the phase deviations of the measured signal (in rad or  $^{\circ}$ ) versus frequency.



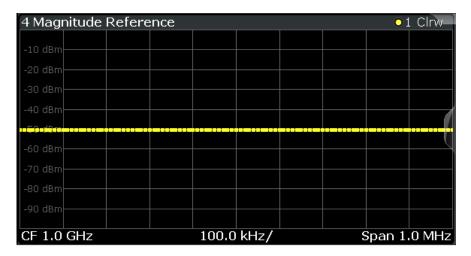
#### SCPI command:

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(see LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]? on page 109)

#### **Magnitude Reference**

Displays the spectrum of the reference signal. In contrast to the Spectrum application, the frequency values are determined using DFT from the recorded I/Q data set.



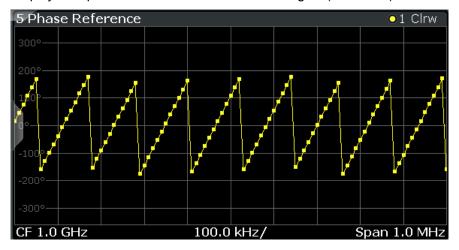
#### SCPI command:

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(see LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]? on page 109)

#### **Phase Reference**

Displays the phase deviations of the reference signal (in rad or °) versus frequency.



#### SCPI command:

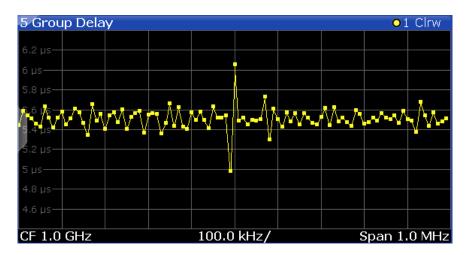
LAY:ADD? '1',RIGH,RPH

(see LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]? on page 109)

#### **Group Delay**

Displays the time deviations of the signal versus frequency.

**Note:** This result display requires a calibration measurement (see "Calibrate (Execute Reference Calibration)" on page 47).



#### SCPI command:

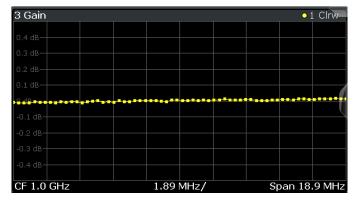
LAY:ADD? '1', RIGH, GRPD

(see LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]? on page 109)

#### Gain

Displays the gain in magnitude from the reference trace to the measurement trace in dB or percent. This diagram characterizes the transmission behavior of the DUT.

**Note:** This result display requires a calibration measurement (see "Calibrate (Execute Reference Calibration)" on page 47).



#### SCPI command:

LAY:ADD? '1', RIGH, GAIN

(see LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]? on page 109)

#### **Marker Table**

Displays a table with the current marker values for the active markers.

This table may be displayed automatically if configured accordingly (see "Marker Table Display" on page 62).



#### SCPI command:

LAY:ADD? '1',RIGH, MTAB, see LAYout:ADD[:WINDow]? on page 109

**Definitions** 

# 5 Measurement Basics

Some background knowledge on basic terms and principles used in Multi-Carrier Group Delay measurements is provided here for a better understanding of the required configuration settings.

#### 5.1 Definitions

#### **Group delay**

Group delay is a measure of phase distortion and defined as the derivation of phase over frequency:

$$\tau(f) = -\frac{1}{2\pi} \cdot \frac{d\varphi_{delta}(f)}{df} \quad with \quad \varphi_{delta}(f) = \operatorname{unwrap}(\varphi_{meas}(f) - \varphi_{cal}(f))$$

#### Gain (Magnitude flatness)

The *gain* (also referred to as the magnitude flatness or amplitude flatness) is defined as the relation between the measured magnitude and the reference (calibration) magnitude:

$$Gain(f) = \frac{M_{meas}(f)}{M_{cal}(f)}$$

The gain describes the transmission behavior of the DUT.

#### 5.2 The Multi-Carrier Measurement

The R&S FSW Multi-Carrier Group Delay application evaluates an input signal provided by a signal generator. A signal consisting of several unmodulated carriers with a fixed step size is used as an input signal.

#### Span

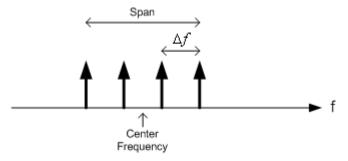
The frequency **span** to be swept during the measurement is determined by the number of carriers in the input signal and the spacing between them. It is recommended that you set the span according to the following equation:

Span = (Number of carriers -1) \* carrier spacing ( $\Delta f$ )

The Multi-Carrier Measurement

#### **Example:**

A span  $\geq$  3 \* carrier spacing ( $\Delta$ f) is required to measure a signal with four carriers.



As a rule, the span can only be defined as a multiple of the carrier spacing.

#### Center frequency and carrier offset

If the carriers are not aligned with the defined center frequency, the offset can be determined automatically or, set to a fixed value (depending on the number of carriers) to enhance the result display.

#### **Demodulation bandwidth**

The bandwidth to be demodulated during the measurement is determined automatically by the application from the defined span and carrier spacing.

#### **Measurement time**

The required duration of the measurement can be determined automatically by the application according to the defined carrier spacing and span, or it can be configured manually.

#### Averaging results

The calculated values can be averaged over several sweeps in order to obtain more reliable results.

#### Orthogonal calculation method

The orthogonal calculation method aligns the trace points in the result display to the carrier frequencies of the input signal. To do so, a DFT window length equaling  $1/\Delta f$  is used.

#### Absolute vs relative group delay

The group delay is calculated relative to the reference signal, eliminating any constant delay factors. If an external trigger is used, the absolute group delay can also be calculated.

The Calibration (Reference) Measurement

# 5.3 The Calibration (Reference) Measurement

The Multi-Carrier Group Delay measurement method requires a preliminary reference measurement of the input signal without the device under test before the actual group delay measurement. This reference measurement is also referred to as the **calibration measurement**. The results of this measurement are stored internally in the R&S FSW to be used as a reference for the group delay calculation in the subsequent measurement with the DUT.

The results of the calibration measurement can be stored to a file and loaded as reference data for future measurements with the same setup.

The date and time of the most recently performed or loaded calibration measurement is indicated in the channel bar.

## 5.4 Measurement Setup

Before a Multi-Carrier Group Delay measurement can be performed, the R&S FSW must be set up in a test environment. This section describes the required settings of the R&S FSW. Before starting the measurements, the R&S FSW has to be configured correctly and supplied with power as described in the R&S FSW Getting Started manual, "Preparing For Use". Furthermore, the application firmware R&S FSW-K17 must be enabled. Installation and enabling of the application firmware are described in the R&S FSW Getting Started manual or in the Release Notes.

A Multi-Carrier Group Delay measurement requires the following devices:

- A baseband signal generator, e.g. a Vector Signal Generator R&S SMU
- The R&S FSW with application firmware R&S FSW-K17: Multi-Carrier Group Delay
- The device under test to be analyzed
- ► Connect the signal generator output to the RF INPUT connector of the R&S FSW first without the DUT, then with the DUT inbetween.

For absolute group delay measurement, connect the trigger output of the signal generator to one of the trigger inputs (TRIGGER INPUT) of the R&S FSW (see "Trigger 2/3" on page 42).

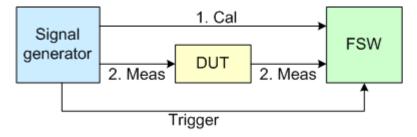


Fig. 5-1: Multi-Carrier Group Delay test setup

Measurement Setup

It is recommended that you use an input signal with a low crest factor to get the phase response of the DUT. Furthermore, an external frequency reference is recommended for high accuracy measurements.

The following list summarizes the necessary measurement and calculation steps:

- 1. Calibration measurement without DUT:  $\varphi_{cal}(k)$
- 2. Measurement with DUT:  $\varphi_{meas}(k)$
- 3. Evaluate group delay:

$$\tau(f) = -\frac{1}{2\pi} \cdot \frac{d\varphi_{delta}(f)}{df} \quad with \quad \varphi_{delta}(f) = \operatorname{unwrap}(\varphi_{meas}(f) - \varphi_{cal}(f))$$

# 6 Configuration

#### **Multi-Carrier Group Delay Application**

Multi-Carrier Group Delay measurements require a special application on the R&S FSW, which you activate using the MODE key on the front panel.

When you switch the application of a measurement channel to Multi-Carrier Group Delay application the first time, a set of parameters is passed on from the currently active application (see chapter 6.1, "Default Settings for Multi-Carrier Group Delay measurements", on page 24). After initial setup, the parameters for the measurement channel are stored upon exiting and restored upon re-entering the channel. Thus, you can switch between applications quickly and easily.

When you activate a measurement channel in Multi-Carrier Group Delay application, a Multi-Carrier Group Delay measurement for the input signal is started automatically with the default configuration. The "MCGD Meas" menu is displayed and provides access to the most important configuration functions.

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# 6.1 Default Settings for Multi-Carrier Group Delay measurements

When you switch the application of a measurement channel to Multi-Carrier Group Delay application the first time, a set of parameters is passed on from the currently active application:

- · center frequency and center frequency offset
- reference level and reference level offset
- attenuation

After initial setup, the parameters for the measurement channel are stored upon exiting and restored upon re-entering the channel. Thus, you can switch between applications quickly and easily.

Apart from these settings, the following default settings are activated directly after a measurement channel has been set to Multi-Carrier Group Delay application, or after a Preset Channel:

**Configuration Overview** 

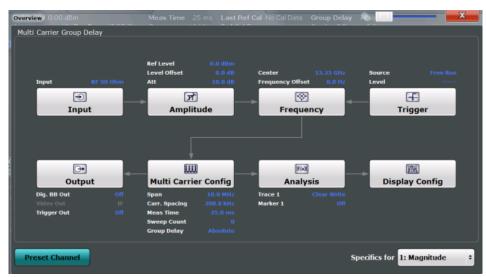
Table 6-1: Default settings for Multi-Carrier Group Delay channels

Parameter	Value
Span	10.0 MHz
Sweep mode	CONTINUOUS
Trigger settings	FREE RUN
Trigger offset	0
Carrier Spacing	200 kHz
Measurement time	25 ms (manual)
Sweep count	0
Group Delay mode	absolute
Traces	1: Clr/Write, 2-4: blank
Evaluations	Window 1: Magnitude Window 2: Phase Window 3: Group Delay

## 6.2 Configuration Overview



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



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

Configuration Overview

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

1. Input Settings

See chapter 6.3, "Input Settings", on page 27

2. Amplitude Settings

See chapter 6.4, "Amplitude and Y-Axis Scaling", on page 29

3. Frequency Settings

See chapter 6.5, "Frequency Settings", on page 36

4. Trigger Settings

See chapter 6.6, "Trigger Settings", on page 38

5. Multi-Carrier Configuration

See chapter 6.7, "Multi-Carrier Configuration", on page 43

6. Output Settings

See chapter 6.9, "Data Output", on page 49

7. Analysis

See chapter 7, "Analysis", on page 54

8. Display Configuration

See chapter 7.4, "Display Configuration", on page 66



The main configuration settings and dialog boxes are also available via the "MCGD Meas" menu which is displayed when you press the MEAS CONFIG key.

#### 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 Multi-Carrier Group Delay measurements, see chapter 9, "How to Perform Measurements in the Multi-Carrier Group Delay Application", on page 70.

#### **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 on the front panel restores all measurements in all measurement channels on the R&S FSW to their default values!

See chapter 6.1, "Default Settings for Multi-Carrier Group Delay measurements", on page 24 for details.

SCPI command:

SYSTem: PRESet: CHANnel [: EXECute] on page 83

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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.

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

## 6.3 Input Settings

The input signal determines which data the R&S FSW will analyze.

Input settings can be configured via the INPUT/OUTPUT key, in the "Input" dialog box.

Some settings are also available in the "Amplitude" tab of the "Amplitude" dialog box.



The Digital IQ input source is only available in applications that support I/Q data processing and is described in detail in the R&S FSW I/Q Analyzer User Manual.

#### 6.3.1 Radio Frequency Input

The default input source for the R&S FSW is "Radio Frequency", i.e. the signal at the RF INPUT connector on the front panel of the R&S FSW. If no additional options are installed, this is the only available input source.

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#### **Input Coupling**

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

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

#### SCPI command:

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#### **Impedance**

The reference impedance for the measured levels of the R&S FSW can be set to 50  $\Omega$  or 75  $\Omega$ .

 $75\,\Omega$  should be selected if the  $50\,\Omega$  input impedance is transformed to a higher impedance using a  $75\,\Omega$  adapter of the RAZ type (=  $25\,\Omega$  in series to the input impedance of the instrument). The correction value in this case is  $1.76\,\mathrm{dB} = 10\,\log\,(75\Omega/50\Omega)$ .

#### SCPI command:

INPut:IMPedance on page 85

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#### 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 R&S FSW in order to measure the harmonics for a DUT, for example.

This function requires option R&S FSW-B13.

(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 filter.)

SCPI command:

INPut:FILTer:HPASs[:STATe] on page 84

#### **YIG-Preselector**

Activates or deactivates the YIG-preselector.

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. In order to use the maximum bandwidth for signal analysis you can deactivate the YIG-preselector at the input of the R&S FSW, which may 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 applications in MSRA operating mode)
- Multi-Carrier Group Delay
- GSM

INPut:FILTer:YIG[:STATe] on page 84

# 6.4 Amplitude and Y-Axis Scaling

The amplitude and y-axis scaling are configured in the "Amplitude" dialog box. Amplitude settings are identical to the base unit.

For background information on amplitude settings see the R&S FSW User Manual.

- ► To display this dialog box, do one of the following:
  - Select the "Amplitude" button in the "Overview".
  - Select the AMPT key and then the "Amplitude Config" softkey.

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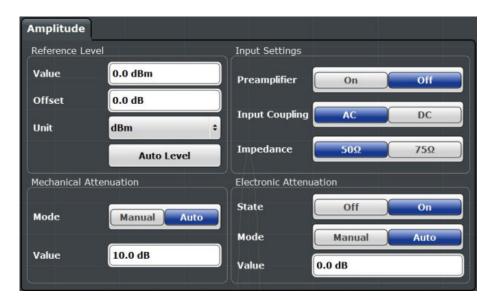
#### 6.4.1 Amplitude Settings

Amplitude settings determine how the R&S FSW must process or display the expected input power levels.

#### To configure the amplitude settings

Amplitude settings can be configured via the AMPT key or in the "Amplitude" dialog box.

- ► To display the "Amplitude" dialog box, do one of the following:
  - Select "Input/Frontend" from the "Overview" and then switch to the "Amplitude" tab.
  - Select the AMPT key and then the "Amplitude Config" softkey.



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#### Reference Level

Defines the expected maximum reference level. Signal levels above this value may not be measured correctly, which is indicated by the "IFOVL" status display.

The reference level is also used to scale power diagrams; the reference level is then used as the maximum on the y-axis.

Since the R&S FSW hardware is adapted according to this value, it is recommended that you set the reference level close above the expected maximum signal level to ensure an optimum measurement (no compression, good signal-to-noise ratio).

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Note that the "Reference Level" value ignores the Shifting the Display (Offset). It is important to know the actual power level the R&S FSW must handle.

#### SCPI command:

```
DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe:Y[:SCALe]:RLEVel on page 85
```

#### Shifting the Display (Offset) ← Reference Level

Defines an arithmetic level offset. This offset is added to the measured level irrespective of the selected unit. 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 will be shifted by this value.

Note, however, that the Reference Level value ignores the "Reference Level Offset". It is important to know the actual power level the R&S FSW must handle.

To determine the required offset, consider the external attenuation or gain applied to the input signal. A positive value indicates that an attenuation took place (R&S FSW increases the displayed power values), a negative value indicates an external gain (R&S FSW decreases the displayed power values).

The setting range is ±200 dB in 0.01 dB steps.

#### SCPI command:

```
DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe:Y[:SCALe]:RLEVel:OFFSet on page 86
```

#### **RF Attenuation**

Defines the attenuation applied to the RF input.

#### **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 the optimum RF attenuation is always used. It is the default setting. By default and when Using Electronic Attenuation (Option B25) is not available, mechanical attenuation is applied.

In "Manual" mode, you can set the RF attenuation in 1 dB steps (down to 0 dB, also using the rotary knob). 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.

#### SCPI command:

```
INPut:ATTenuation on page 86
INPut:ATTenuation:AUTO on page 87
```

#### **Using Electronic Attenuation (Option B25)**

If option R&S FSW-B25 is installed, 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.

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**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 may 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.

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.

#### SCPI command:

INPut:EATT:STATe on page 88
INPut:EATT:AUTO on page 87
INPut:EATT on page 87

#### **Input Settings**

Some input settings affect the measured amplitude of the signal, as well.

The parameters "Input Coupling" and "Impedance" are identical to those in the "Input" settings, see chapter 6.3, "Input Settings", on page 27.

#### Preamplifier (option B24) ← Input Settings

If option R&S FSW-B24 is installed, a preamplifier can be activated for the RF input signal.

For R&S FSW 26 models, the input signal is amplified by 30 dB if the preamplifier is activated.

For R&S FSW 8 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.

#### SCPI command:

INPut:GAIN:STATe on page 88
INPut:GAIN[:VALue] on page 88

#### 6.4.2 Scaling the Y-Axis

The individual scaling settings that affect the vertical axis are described here.



Note that scaling settings are window-specific, as opposed to the amplitude settings. Depending on the result display, different methods of defining the scaling are available.

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#### To configure the y-axis scaling settings

Vertical Axis settings can be configured via the AMPT key or in the "Amplitude" dialog box.

- ► To display the "Amplitude" dialog box, do one of the following:
  - Select "Amplitude" from the "Overview".
  - Select the AMPT key and then the "Scale Config" softkey.

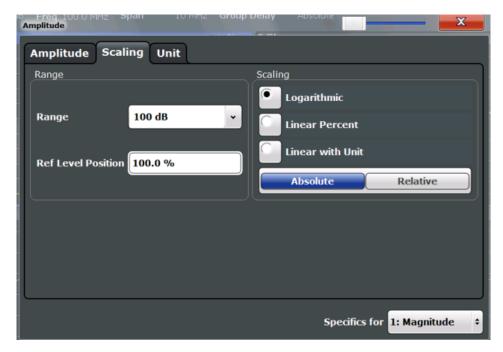


Fig. 6-1: Scaling settings for Magnitude display

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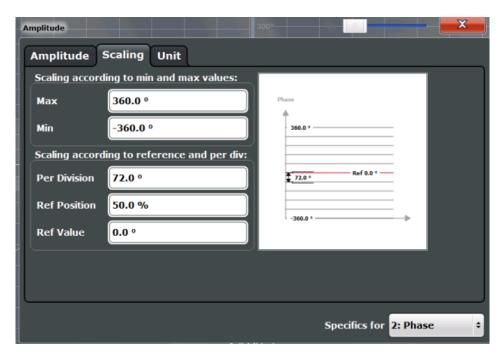


Fig. 6-2: Scaling settings for Phase and Group Delay display

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#### **Defining a Range and the Reference Level Position**

For Magnitude displays, you can define the position of the reference level (for linear scaling), or define the range in dB and the position of the reference level.

#### Range Defining a Range and the Reference Level Position

Defines the displayed y-axis range in dB (frequency domain) or Hz (time domain).

The default value is 100 dB or 500 kHz.

#### SCPI command:

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe:Y[:SCALe] on page 89

#### $\textbf{Ref Level Position} \leftarrow \textbf{Defining a Range and the Reference Level Position}$

Defines the reference level position, i.e. the position of the maximum AD converter value on the level axis in %, where 0 % corresponds to the lower and 100 % to the upper limit of the diagram.

#### SCPI command:

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe:Y[:SCALe]:RPOSition on page 90

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#### Scaling ← Defining a Range and the Reference Level Position

Defines the scaling method for the y-axis.

"Logarithmic" Logarithmic scaling (only available for logarithmic units - dB...)

"Linear Unit" Linear scaling in the unit of the measured signal

"Linear Percent" Linear scaling in percentages from 0 to 100

"Absolute"

The labeling of the level lines refers to the absolute value of the refer-

ence level (not available for "Linear Percent")

"Relative"

The scaling is in dB, relative to the reference level (only available for logarithmic units - dB...). The upper line of the grid (reference level) is

always at 0 dB.

#### SCPI command:

```
DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe:Y:SPACing on page 91
DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe:Y[:SCALe]:MODE on page 90
```

#### **Configuring a Reference Point and Divisions**

Defines the displayed range using a reference point and the size of the divisions.

#### Y-Axis Reference Value ← Configuring a Reference Point and Divisions

Defines a reference value for 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.

SCPI command:

```
DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe:Y[:SCALe]:RVALue on page 91
```

#### Y-Axis Reference Position ← 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.

#### SCPI command:

```
DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe:Y[:SCALe]:RPOSition on page 90
```

#### 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 range per division does not correspond to the actual display.

#### SCPI command:

```
DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe:Y[:SCALe]:PDIVision on page 90
```

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#### **Defining Min and Max Values**

Defines the displayed range using minimum and maximum values.

#### SCPI command:

```
DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe:Y[:SCALe]:MINimum on page 89
DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe:Y[:SCALe]:MAXimum on page 89
```

#### **Scale Mode**

For Gain display only: Defines the scaling method for the y-axis.

"Logarithmic" Logarithmic scaling (only available for logarithmic units - dB...)

"Linear" Linear scaling in percentages from 0 to 100

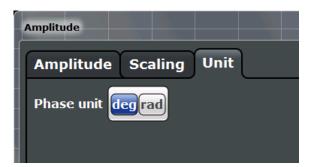
SCPI command:

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe:Y[:SCALe]:MODE on page 90

#### 6.4.3 Units

The units define how the demodulated data is displayed. They are configured in the "Units" tab of the "Amplitude" dialog box.

- ► To display this dialog box, do one of the following:
  - Select the "Amplitude" button in the Analog Demodulation "Overview" and select the "Units" tab.
  - Select the MEAS CONFIG key and then the "Unit Config" softkey.



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#### Phase Unit (Rad/Deg)

Sets the phase unit to rad or deg for displaying phase signals.

#### SCPI command:

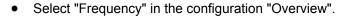
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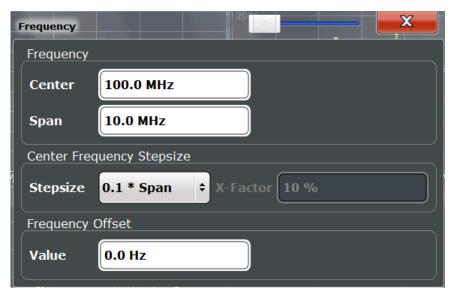
## 6.5 Frequency Settings

Frequency settings for the input signal can be configured via the "Frequency" dialog box, which is displayed when you do one of the following:

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Select the FREQ key and then the "Frequency Config" softkey.





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### Center

Defines the normal center frequency of the signal. The allowed range of values for the center frequency depends on the frequency span.

 $f_{\text{max}}$  and span<sub>min</sub> are specified in the data sheet.

# SCPI command:

[SENSe:] FREQuency: CENTer on page 92

### Span

Defines the frequency span to be measured. Only a multiple of the carrier spacing can be defined. The Number of Carriers is adapted accordingly (see "Span" on page 20).

# SCPI command:

[SENSe:] FREQuency: SPAN on page 102

### **Center Frequency Stepsize**

Defines the step size by which the center frequency is increased or decreased when the arrow keys are pressed. When you use the rotary knob the center frequency changes in steps of only 1/10 of the "Center Frequency Stepsize".

The step size can be coupled to another value or it can be manually set to a fixed value.

"X \* Span"

Sets the step size for the center frequency to a defined factor of the span. The "X-Factor" defines the percentage of the span.

Values between 1 and 100 % in steps of 1 % are allowed. The default setting is 10 %.

**Trigger Settings** 

"= Center" Sets the step size to the value of the center frequency. The used value

is indicated in the "Value" field.

"= Marker" This setting is only available if a marker is active.

Sets the step size to the value of the current marker and removes the coupling of the step size to span. The used value is indicated in the

"Value" field.

"Manual" Defines a fixed step size for the center frequency. Enter the step size

in the "Value" field.

# SCPI command:

[SENSe:] FREQuency:CENTer:STEP on page 92

# **Frequency Offset**

Shifts the displayed frequency range along the x-axis by the defined offset.

This parameter has no effect on the R&S FSW 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.

### SCPI command:

[SENSe:] FREQuency:OFFSet on page 94

# 6.6 Trigger Settings

Trigger settings determine when the input signal is measured.

Trigger settings can be configured via the TRIG key or in the "Trigger" dialog box, which is displayed when you select the "Trigger" button in the "Overview".

**Trigger Settings** 



External triggers from one of the TRIGGER INPUT/OUTPUT connectors on the R&S FSW are configured in a separate tab of the dialog box.



For step-by-step instructions on configuring triggered measurements, see the main R&S FSW User Manual.

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### **Trigger Source**

The trigger settings define the beginning of a measurement.

### **Trigger Source ← 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.

### SCPI command:

TRIGger[:SEQuence]:SOURce on page 97

### Free Run ← Trigger Source ← Trigger Source

No trigger source is considered. Data acquisition is started manually or automatically and continues until stopped explicitely.

### SCPI command:

TRIG:SOUR IMM, see TRIGger[:SEQuence]:SOURce on page 97

# External Trigger 1/2/3 ← Trigger Source ← Trigger Source

Data acquisition starts when the TTL signal fed into the specified input connector (on the front or rear panel) meets or exceeds the specified trigger level.

```
(See "Trigger Level" on page 41).
```

**Note:** The "External Trigger 1" softkey automatically selects the trigger signal from the TRIGGER INPUT connector on the front panel.

For details see the "Instrument Tour" chapter in the R&S FSW Getting Started manual.

### "External Trigger 1"

Trigger signal from the TRIGGER INPUT connector on the front panel.

# "External Trigger 2"

Trigger signal from the TRIGGER INPUT/OUTPUT connector on the front panel.

Note: Connector must be configured for "Input" in the "Outputs" configuration (see "Trigger 2/3" on page 42).

# "External Trigger 3"

Trigger signal from the TRIGGER 3 INPUT/ OUTPUT connector on the rear panel.

Note: Connector must be configured for "Input" in the "Outputs" configuration (see "Trigger 2/3" on page 42).

### SCPI command:

```
TRIG:SOUR EXT, TRIG:SOUR EXT2, TRIG:SOUR EXT3

See TRIGger[:SEQuence]:SOURce on page 97
```

# $\textbf{RF Power} \leftarrow \textbf{Trigger Source} \leftarrow \textbf{Trigger Source}$

Defines triggering of the measurement via signals which are outside the displayed measurement range.

**Trigger Settings** 

For this purpose the instrument uses a level detector at the first intermediate frequency. The input signal must be in the frequency range between 500 MHz and 8 GHz. The resulting trigger level at the RF input depends on the RF attenuation and preamplification. For details on available trigger levels see the data sheet.

**Note:** If the input signal contains frequencies outside of this range (e.g. for fullspan measurements), the sweep may be aborted and a message indicating the allowed input frequencies is displayed in the status bar.

A "Trigger Offset", "Trigger Polarity" and "Trigger Holdoff" (to improve the trigger stability) can be defined for the RF trigger, but no "Hysteresis".

### SCPI command:

```
TRIG:SOUR RFP, see TRIGger[:SEQuence]:SOURce on page 97
```

# **Trigger Level ← Trigger Source**

Defines the trigger level for the specified trigger source.

For details on supported trigger levels, see the data sheet.

#### SCPI command:

```
TRIGger[:SEQuence]:LEVel:IFPower on page 96
TRIGger[:SEQuence]:LEVel:IQPower on page 96
TRIGger[:SEQuence]:LEVel[:EXTernal<port>] on page 96
```

### **Drop-Out Time ← Trigger Source**

Defines the time the input signal must stay below the trigger level before triggering again.

### SCPI command:

```
TRIGger[:SEQuence]:DTIMe on page 94
```

### **Trigger Offset** ← **Trigger Source**

Defines the time offset between the trigger event and the start of the sweep.

offset > 0:	Start of the sweep is delayed	
offset < 0:	offset < 0: Sweep starts earlier (pre-trigger)	

# SCPI command:

```
TRIGger[:SEQuence]:HOLDoff[:TIME] on page 95
```

# Hysteresis ← Trigger Source

Defines the distance in dB to the trigger level that the trigger source must exceed before a trigger event occurs. Settling 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.

### SCPI command:

```
TRIGger[:SEQuence]:IFPower:HYSTeresis on page 95
```

**Trigger Settings** 

### **Trigger Holdoff** ← **Trigger Source**

Defines the minimum time (in seconds) that must pass between two trigger events. Trigger events that occur during the holdoff time are ignored.

### SCPI command:

```
TRIGger[:SEQuence]:IFPower:HOLDoff on page 95
```

### Slope ← Trigger Source

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.

### SCPI command:

```
TRIGger[:SEQuence]:SLOPe on page 97
```

### 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. No further trigger parameters are available for the connec-

tor.

"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.

### SCPI command:

```
OUTPut:TRIGger<port>:LEVel on page 99
OUTPut:TRIGger<port>:DIRection on page 98
```

# 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 user selects "Send Trigger" button.

In this case, further parameters are available for the output signal.

### SCPI command:

```
OUTPut:TRIGger<port>:OTYPe on page 99
```

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### **Level** ← Output Type ← Trigger 2/3

Defines whether a constant high (1) or low (0) signal is sent to the output connector.

#### SCPI command:

OUTPut:TRIGger<port>:LEVel on page 99

# Pulse Length ← Output Type ← Trigger 2/3

Defines the length of the pulse sent as a trigger to the output connector.

#### SCPI command:

OUTPut:TRIGger<port>:PULSe:LENGth on page 100

# 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, e.g. for "Level = High", a constant high signal is output to the connector until the "Send Trigger" button is selected. Then, a low pulse is sent.

Which pulse level will be sent is indicated by a graphic on the button.

### SCPI command:

OUTPut:TRIGger<port>:PULSe:IMMediate on page 100

# 6.7 Multi-Carrier Configuration

The multiple carriers are configured in the "Multi-Carrier Config" dialog box.

To display this dialog box, do one of the following:

- Select the "Multi-Carrier Config" button in the "Overview".
- Select the MEAS CONFIG key and then the "Multi-Carrier Config" softkey.

# 6.7.1 Measurement Configuration

The measurement parameters for group delay calculation are configured in the "Meas Config" tab of the "Multi-Carrier Config" dialog box.

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# Center

Defines the normal center frequency of the signal. The allowed range of values for the center frequency depends on the frequency span.

 $f_{\text{max}}$  and  $\text{span}_{\text{min}}$  are specified in the data sheet.

# SCPI command:

[SENSe:] FREQuency:CENTer on page 92

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### Span

Defines the frequency span to be measured. Only a multiple of the carrier spacing can be defined. The Number of Carriers is adapted accordingly (see "Span" on page 20).

### SCPI command:

```
[SENSe:] FREQuency: SPAN on page 102
```

### **Number of Carriers**

Defines the number of carriers in the signal. The "Span" on page 37 and Carrier Spacing are adapted according to the following formula:

Number of carriers -1 = Span / Carrier spacing

**Note:** When loading calibration data, the number of carriers in the stored data must correspond to the currently defined number of carriers for the measurement, otherwise loading fails.

For details see "Span" on page 20.

SCPI command:

```
[SENSe:] CARRier: COUNt on page 101
```

### **Carrier Spacing**

Defines the spacing between two carriers. The "Span" on page 37 and the Number of Carriers are adapted accordingly (see "Span" on page 20).

### SCPI command:

```
[SENSe:]CARRier:SPACing on page 101
```

### **Measurement Time**

Defines the duration of the measurement

"Auto" (Default:) In automatic mode the required time is determined according

to carrier spacing and span; the currently used measurement time is

indicated for reference only

"Manual" The measurement time is defined manually; enter the measurement

time in seconds

### SCPI command:

```
[SENSe:]MTIMe on page 102
[SENSe:]MTIMe:AUTO on page 102
```

# **Sweep Count**

Defines the number of sweeps to be performed in the single sweep mode. Values from 0 to 32767 are allowed. If the values 0 or 1 are set, one sweep is performed. The sweep count is applied to all the traces in all diagrams.

During calibration measurements, the phase and amplitude values are averaged over the defined number of sweeps.

If the trace configurations "Average", "Max Hold" or "Min Hold" are set, this value also determines the number of averaging or maximum search procedures.

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In continuous sweep mode, if sweep count = 0 (default), averaging is performed over 10 sweeps. For sweep count =1, no averaging, maxhold or minhold operations are performed.

### SCPI command:

[SENSe:] SWEep:COUNt on page 119

### **Group Delay Mode**

Defines how the group delay is calculated.

"Absolute" Calculates the absolute group delay; requires an external trigger

"Relative" Calculates the relative group delay; constant delay parts are compen-

sated for

# SCPI command:

CALCulate: GRPDelay: MODE on page 101

### **Carrier Offset**

Defines the offset of the carrier compared to the center frequency so the offset can be compensated in the display.

"Estimated" The actual frequency is estimated from the measurement data and the

offset from the reference signal is determined.

Possible values are in the range of:

- (Carrier spacing / 2) to + (Carrier spacing / 2)

"Fixed" A fixed offset is used, depending on the number of carriers:

Odd number: offset = 0

Even number: ofset = Carrier spacing / 2

A fixed offset is useful for signals with very low levels as the frequency

estimation may fail in this case.

### SCPI command:

```
[SENSe:]CARRier:OFFSet? on page 102
[SENSe:]CARRier:OFFSet:MODE on page 103
```

# 6.7.2 Calibration

Calibration is performed in the "Calibration" tab of the "Multi-Carrier Config" dialog box.

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The values defined by the most recently performed or loaded calibration measurement are displayed at the top of the dialog box.

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# **Calibrate (Execute Reference Calibration)**

Starts a new sweep to perform a calibration measurement. The status of the running measurement is indicated in a dialog box. During this time, no other actions can be performed on the R&S FSW. The results are used as reference data for the group delay calculation.

The date and time of the most recently performed or loaded calibration measurement is indicated in the channel bar and at the top of the dialog box.

### SCPI command:

CALibration: MCGD on page 106

### **Storing Calibration Data**

Stores the calibration data (reference data) to the selected file (.csv format)

### SCPI command:

MMEMory:STORe:MCGD:RCALibration on page 107

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### **Loading Calibration Data**

Loads the calibration data (reference data) from the selected file (.csv format) to the instrument. The current reference data in the MCGD application is overwritten; the loaded data is used for the group delay calculation.

**Note:** When loading calibration data, the number of carriers in the stored data must correspond to the currently defined number of carriers for the measurement, otherwise loading fails.

### SCPI command:

MMEMory:LOAD:MCGD:RCALibration on page 107

### **Decimal Separator**

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

### SCPI command:

FORMat:DEXPort:DSEParator on page 124

# 6.8 Sweep Settings

The sweep settings define how often data from the input signal is acquired and then evaluated. They are configured via the SWEEP key.

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### Continuous Sweep/RUN CONT

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 has an 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. Furthermore, the RUN CONT key on the front panel controls the Sequencer, not individual sweeps. RUN CONT starts the Sequencer in continuous mode.

### SCPI command:

INITiate: CONTinuous on page 116

### Single Sweep/ RUN SINGLE

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 has

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an effect the next time the Sequencer activates that channel, and only for a channeldefined sequence. In this case, a channel in single sweep mode is swept only once by the Sequencer.

Furthermore, the RUN SINGLE key on the front panel 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.

### SCPI command:

INITiate[:IMMediate] on page 116

# **Continue Single Sweep**

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.

### SCPI command:

INITiate:CONMeas on page 115

### **Sweep Count**

Defines the number of sweeps to be performed in the single sweep mode. Values from 0 to 32767 are allowed. If the values 0 or 1 are set, one sweep is performed. The sweep count is applied to all the traces in all diagrams.

During calibration measurements, the phase and amplitude values are averaged over the defined number of sweeps.

If the trace configurations "Average", "Max Hold" or "Min Hold" are set, this value also determines the number of averaging or maximum search procedures.

In continuous sweep mode, if sweep count = 0 (default), averaging is performed over 10 sweeps. For sweep count =1, no averaging, maxhold or minhold operations are performed.

### SCPI command:

[SENSe:] SWEep:COUNt on page 119

# 6.9 Data Output

The R&S FSW can provide output to special connectors for other devices.

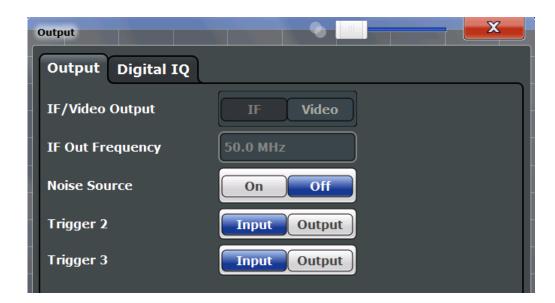
For details on connectors refer to the R&S FSW Getting Started manual, "Front / Rear Panel View" chapters.



How to provide trigger signals as output is described in detail in the R&S FSW User Manual.

Output settings can be configured via the INPUT/OUTPUT key or in the "Outputs" dialog box.

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### **Noise Source**

Switches the supply voltage for an external noise source on or off.

External noise sources are useful when you are measuring power levels that fall below the noise floor of the R&S FSW itself, for example when measuring the noise level of a DUT.

### SCPI command:

DIAGnostic<n>:SERVice:NSOurce on page 103

# 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. No further trigger parameters are available for the connector.

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"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.

### SCPI command:

OUTPut:TRIGger<port>:LEVel on page 99
OUTPut:TRIGger<port>:DIRection on page 98

### 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 user selects "Send Trigger" button.

In this case, further parameters are available for the output signal.

### SCPI command:

OUTPut:TRIGger<port>:OTYPe on page 99

# **Level** ← Output Type ← Trigger 2/3

Defines whether a constant high (1) or low (0) signal is sent to the output connector.

### SCPI command:

OUTPut:TRIGger<port>:LEVel on page 99

# Pulse Length ← Output Type ← Trigger 2/3

Defines the length of the pulse sent as a trigger to the output connector.

### SCPI command:

OUTPut:TRIGger<port>:PULSe:LENGth on page 100

### 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, e.g. for "Level = High", a constant high signal is output to the connector until the "Send Trigger" button is selected. Then, a low pulse is sent.

Which pulse level will be sent is indicated by a graphic on the button.

### SCPI command:

OUTPut:TRIGger<port>:PULSe:IMMediate on page 100

# 6.10 Automatic Settings

Some settings can be adjusted by the R&S FSW automatically according to the current measurement settings and signal characteristics.

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### MSRA operating mode

In MSRA operating mode, the following automatic settings are not available, as they require a new data acquisition. However, the GSM application cannot perform data acquisition in MSRA operating mode.

To activate the automatic adjustment of a setting, select the corresponding function in the AUTO SET menu.

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# Setting the Reference Level Automatically (Auto Level)

Automatically determines the optimal reference level for the current input data. At the same time, the internal attenuators and the preamplifier are adjusted so the signal-to-noise ratio is optimized, while signal compression, clipping and overload conditions are minimized.

In order to do so, a level measurement is performed to determine the optimal reference level.

You can change the measurement time for the level measurement if necessary (see "Changing the Automatic Measurement Time (Meastime Manual)" on page 52).

### SCPI command:

[SENSe:]ADJust:LEVel on page 106

# **Resetting the Automatic Measurement Time (Meastime Auto)**

Resets the measurement duration for automatic settings to the default value.

### SCPI command:

```
[SENSe:] ADJust:CONFigure:DURation:MODE on page 104
```

# **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.

### SCPI command:

```
[SENSe:]ADJust:CONFigure:DURation:MODE on page 104
[SENSe:]ADJust:CONFigure:DURation on page 104
```

# **Upper Level Hysteresis**

When the reference level is adjusted automatically using the Setting the Reference Level Automatically (Auto Level) function, 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.

### SCPI command:

[SENSe:]ADJust:CONFigure:HYSTeresis:UPPer on page 105

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# **Lower Level Hysteresis**

When the reference level is adjusted automatically using the Setting the Reference Level Automatically (Auto Level) function, 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.

SCPI command:

[SENSe:] ADJust:CONFigure:HYSTeresis:LOWer on page 105

**Trace Settings** 

# 7 Analysis

General result analysis settings concerning the trace, markers, windows etc. can be configured via the "Analysis" button in the "Overview". They are identical to the analysis functions in the base unit except for the special window functions.

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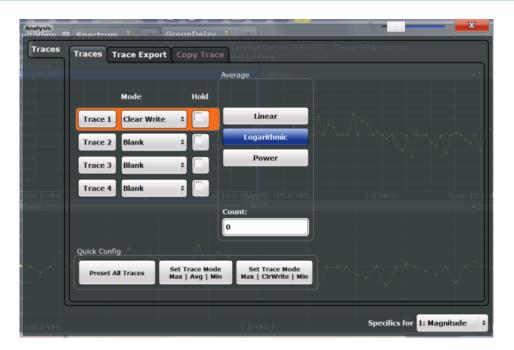
# 7.1 Trace Settings

The trace settings determine how the measured data is analyzed and displayed in the window. Depending on the result display, between 1 and 4 traces may be displayed.

Trace settings can be configured via the TRACE key, in the "Traces" dialog box, or in the vertical "Traces" tab of the "Analysis" dialog box.



Trace data can also be exported to an ASCII file for further analysis. For details see chapter 7.2, "Trace Export Settings", on page 57.



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### Trace 1/Trace 2/Trace 3/Trace 4

Selects the corresponding trace for configuration. The currently selected trace is highlighted orange.

### SCPI command:

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>[:STATe] on page 126

Selected via numeric suffix of TRACe<t> commands

### Mode

Defines the update mode for subsequent traces.

"Clear Write" Overwrite mode: the trace is overwritten by each sweep. This is the

default setting.

"Max Hold" 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.

"Min Hold"

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.

"Average" The average is formed over several sweeps.

The "Average Count" on page 56 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.

# SCPI command:

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:MODE on page 125

### Hold

If activated, traces in "Min Hold", "Max Hold" and "Average" mode are not reset after specific parameter changes have been made.

Normally, the measurement is started anew after parameter changes, before the measurement results are analyzed (e.g. using a marker). In all cases that require a new measurement after parameter changes, the trace is reset automatically to avoid false results (e.g. with span changes). For applications that require no reset after parameter changes, the automatic reset can be switched off.

The default setting is off.

### SCPI command:

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:MODE:HCONtinuous on page 126

### **Average Mode**

Defines the mode with which the trace is averaged over several sweeps. A different averaging mode can be defined for each trace.

This setting is only applicable if trace mode "Average" is selected.

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How many sweeps are averaged is defined by the "Average Count" on page 56.

"Linear" The power level values are converted into linear units prior to averaging.

After the averaging, the data is converted back into its original unit.

"Logarithmic" For logarithmic scaling, the values are averaged in dBm. For linear

scaling, the behavior is the same as with linear averaging.

"Power" Activates linear power averaging.

The power level values are converted into unit Watt prior to averaging. After the averaging, the data is converted back into its original unit. Use this mode to average power values in Volts or Amperes correctly.

### SCPI command:

[SENSe:]AVERage<n>:TYPE on page 127

### **Average Count**

Determines the number of averaging or maximum search procedures If the trace modes "Average", "Max Hold" or "Min Hold" are set.

In continuous sweep mode, if sweep count = 0 (default), averaging is performed over 10 sweeps. For sweep count =1, no averaging, maxhold or minhold operations are performed.

This value is identical to the Sweep Count setting in the "Sweep" and "Multi-carrier" configuration.

### SCPI command:

[SENSe:] AVERage<n>: COUNt on page 126

# **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 2-4:	Blank
Set Trace Mode	Trace 1:	Max Hold
Max   Avg   Min	Trace 2:	Average
	Trace 3:	Min Hold
	Trace 4:	Blank
Set Trace Mode	Trace 1:	Max Hold
Max   ClrWrite   Min	Trace 2:	Clear Write
	Trace 3:	Min Hold
	Trace 4:	Blank

**Trace Export Settings** 

### Trace 1/Trace 2/Trace 3/Trace 4 (Softkeys)

Displays the "Traces" settings and focuses the "Mode" list for the selected trace.

#### SCPI command:

DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>[:STATe] on page 126

# 7.2 Trace Export Settings

Trace settings can be configured in the "Traces" dialog box or in the vertical "Traces" tab of the "Analysis" dialog box. Switch to the "Trace Export" tab.



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# **Trace to Export**

Defines the trace that will be exported to a file.

### **Decimal Separator**

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

### SCPI command:

FORMat:DEXPort:DSEParator on page 124

### **Export Trace to ASCII File**

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

Both measurement and reference (calibration) traces can be exported to an ASCII file. However, the calibration data stored in an ASCII file cannot be re-imported to the R&S FSW (to re-import the data use Storing Calibration Data instead).

**Note:** To store the measurement results for **all** traces in all windows in .csv format, use the Storing Measurement Results command in the "Save/Recall" > "Export" menu.

For details on the file formats see chapter 12, "Annex", on page 140.

# SCPI command:

MMEMory:STORe<n>:TRACe on page 123

Markers

# 7.3 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.

Markers are configured in the "Marker" dialog box which is displayed when you do one of the following:

- In the "Overview", select "Analysis", and switch to the vertical "Marker" tab.
- Press the MKR key, then select the "Marker Config" softkey.

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# 7.3.1 Marker Settings

Marker settings can be configured via the MARKER key or in the "Marker" dialog box. To display the "Marker" dialog box, do one of the following:

- Press the MKR key, then select the "Marker Config" softkey.
- In the "Overview", select "Analysis", and switch to the vertical "Marker" tab.

The remote commands required to define these settings are described in chapter 11.8.3, "General Marker Settings", on page 131.

### 7.3.1.1 Individual Marker Setup

In the Mutli-Carrier Group Delay application, up to 17 markers or delta markers can be activated for each window simultaneously. Initial marker setup is performed using the "Marker" dialog box.

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The markers are distributed among 3 tabs for a better overview. By default, the first marker is defined as a normal marker, whereas all others are defined as delta markers with reference to the first marker. All markers are assigned to trace 1, but only the first marker is active.

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# **Select Marker**

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

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### SCPI command:

Marker selected via suffix <m> in remote commands.

### **Selected Marker**

Marker name. The marker which is currently selected for editing is highlighted orange.

SCPI command:

Marker selected via suffix <m> in remote commands.

### **Marker State**

Activates or deactivates the marker in the diagram.

### SCPI command:

```
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>[:STATe] on page 130
CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>[:STATe] on page 129
```

# **Marker Position (Stimulus)**

Defines the position (x-value) of the marker in the diagram.

# SCPI command:

```
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:X on page 131
CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:X on page 130
```

### **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.

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"Delta"

A delta marker defines the value of the marker relative to the specified reference marker (marker 1 by default).

#### SCPI command:

```
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>[:STATe] on page 130
CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>[:STATe] on page 129
```

#### **Reference Marker**

Defines a marker as the reference marker which is used to determine relative analysis results (delta marker values).

### SCPI command:

```
CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MREF on page 129
```

### **Linking to Another Marker**

Links the current marker to the marker selected from the list of active markers. If the x-axis value of the inital marker is changed, the linked marker follows on the same x-position. Linking is off by default.

Using this function you can set two markers on different traces to measure the difference (e.g. between a max hold trace and a min hold trace or between a measurement and a reference trace).

### SCPI command:

```
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m1>:LINK:TO:MARKer<m2> on page 130

CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m1>:LINK:TO:MARKer<m2> on page 128

CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:LINK on page 128
```

# 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.

### SCPI command:

```
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:TRACe on page 131
```

### **All Markers Off**

Deactivates all markers in one step.

### SCPI command:

```
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:AOFF on page 130
```

# 7.3.1.2 General Marker Settings

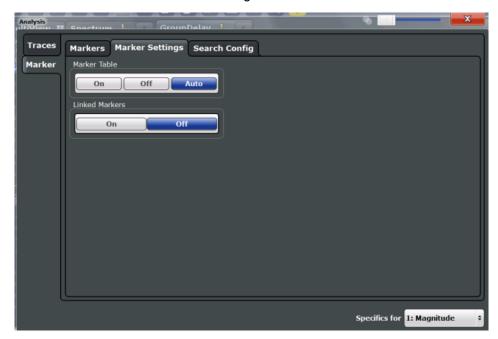
Some general marker settings allow you to influence the marker behavior for all markers.

These settings are located in the "Marker Settings" tab of the "Marker" dialog box. To display this tab, do one of the following:

Press the MKR key, then select the "Marker Config" softkey.

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• In the "Overview", select "Analysis", and switch to the vertical "Marker" tab. Then select the horizontal "Marker Settings" tab.



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# **Marker Table Display**

Defines how the marker information is displayed.

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

the diagram.

"Off" Displays the marker information within the diagram area.

"Auto" (Default) Up to two markers are displayed in the diagram area. If more

markers are active, the marker table is displayed automatically.

### SCPI command:

DISPlay: MTABle on page 131

### **Linked Markers**

If enabled, the markers in all diagrams are linked, i.e. when you move a marker in one window, the markers in all other windows are moved to the same x-value.

Linking markers is only possible if compatible reference data is available, or no reference data at all. Compatible reference data means the settings used to perform calibration were the same as the currently active measurement settings. If measurement settings are changed that do not match the reference data, linking markers is no longer possible and the function is automatically deactivated.

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An exception to this rule is the center frequency. If a different center frequency was used for calibration, the markers can still be linked. However, in this case the markers are not moved to a specific x-value, but to the same horizontal position relative to the diagram edge.

#### SCPI command:

CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:LINK on page 132

# 7.3.2 Marker Search Settings and Positioning Functions

Several functions are available to set the marker to a specific position very quickly and easily, or to use the current marker position to define another characteristic value. In order to determine the required marker position, searches may be performed. The search results can be influenced by special settings.

Most marker positioning functions and the search settings are available in the MKR -> menu.

Search settings are also available via the MARKER key or in the vertical "Marker Config" tab of the "Analysis" dialog box (horizontal "Search Settings" tab).

The remote commands required to define these settings are described in chapter 11.8.4, "Searching for Peaks and Positioning the Marker", on page 132.

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### 7.3.2.1 Marker Search Settings

Markers are commonly used to determine peak values, i.e. maximum or minimum values, in the measured signal. Configuration settings allow you to influence the peak search results.

These settings are available as softkeys in the Marker To menu, or in the "Search Settings" tab of the "Marker" dialog box. To display this tab, do one of the following:

- Press the MKR key, then select the "Marker Config" softkey. Then select the horizontal "Search Settings" tab.
- In the "Overview", select "Analysis", and switch to the vertical "Marker Config" tab. Then select the horizontal "Search Settings" tab.

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### **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.

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"Right" Determines the next maximum/minimum to the right of the current peak.

### SCPI command:

```
CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MAXimum:LEFT on page 135
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MAXimum:LEFT on page 133
CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MAXimum:NEXT on page 135
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CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MAXimum:RIGHt on page 134
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CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MINimum:LEFT on page 134
CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MINimum:NEXT on page 136
CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MINimum:NEXT on page 136
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MINimum:NEXT on page 134
CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MINimum:RIGHt on page 136
CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MINimum:RIGHt on page 136
CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MINimum:RIGHt on page 136
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```

### **Peak Excursion**

Defines the minimum level value by which a signal must rise or fall so that it will be identified as a maximum or a minimum by the search functions.

### SCPI command:

CALCulate<n>:MARKer:PEXCursion on page 132

# 7.3.2.2 Positioning Functions

The following functions set the currently selected marker to the result of a peak search or set other characteristic values to the current marker value. These functions are available as softkeys in the "Marker To" menu, which is displayed when you press the MKR -> key, or in the "Marker" menu.

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# Select Marker

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

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Marker selected via suffix <m> in remote commands.

### **Peak Search**

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

# SCPI command:

```
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MAXimum[:PEAK] on page 133
CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MAXimum[:PEAK] on page 135
```

# 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.

# SCPI command:

```
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MAXimum:NEXT on page 133
CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MAXimum:NEXT on page 135
```

### **Search Minimum**

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

# SCPI command:

```
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MINimum[:PEAK] on page 134

CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MINimum[:PEAK] on page 136
```

### **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.

### SCPI command:

```
CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MINimum:NEXT on page 134
CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MINimum:NEXT on page 136
```

**Display Configuration** 

# 7.4 Display Configuration

The captured signal can be displayed using various evaluation methods. All evaluation methods available for the Multi-Carrier Group Delay application are displayed in the evaluation bar in SmartGrid mode when you do one of the following:

- Select the "SmartGrid" icon from the toolbar.
- Select the "Display Config" button in the "Overview".
- Press the MEAS key.
- Select the "Display Config" softkey in any Multi-Carrier Group Delay menu.

Up to 6 evaluation methods can be displayed simultaneously in separate windows. The Multi-Carrier Group Delay evaluation methods are described in chapter 4.1, "Evaluation Methods for Multi-Carrier Group Delay", on page 15.



For details on working with the SmartGrid see the R&S FSW Getting Started manual.

# 7.5 Zoom Functions

The zoom functions are only available from the toolbar.

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# Single Zoom



A single zoom replaces the current diagram by a new diagram which displays an enlarged extract of the trace. This function can be used repetitively until the required details are visible.

# SCPI command:

```
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DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:ZOOM:AREA on page 136
```

# **Multiple Zoom**



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In multiple zoom mode, you can enlarge several different areas of the trace simultaneously. An overview window indicates the zoom areas in the original trace, while the zoomed trace areas are displayed in individual windows. The zoom area that corresponds to the individual zoom display is indicated in the lower right corner, between the scrollbars.

### SCPI command:

```
DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:ZOOM:MULTiple<zoom>:STATe on page 138
DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:ZOOM:MULTiple<zoom>:AREA on page 137
```

# **Restore Original Display**



Restores the original display and closes all zoom windows.

# SCPI command:

```
DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:ZOOM:STATe on page 137 (single zoom)
DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:ZOOM:MULTiple<zoom>:STATe on page 138 (for each multiple zoom window)
```

# **Deactivating Zoom (Selection mode)**



Deactivates zoom mode; tapping the screen no longer invokes a zoom, but selects an object.

### SCPI command:

```
DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:ZOOM:STATe on page 137 (single zoom)
DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:ZOOM:MULTiple<zoom>:STATe on page 138 (for each multiple zoom window)
```

**Export Functions** 

# 8 Importing and Exporting Results

The R&S FSW provides various evaluation methods for the results of the performed measurements. However, you may want to evaluate the data with other, external applications. In this case, you can export the measurement data to a standard format file (ASCII or CSV). The results from the calibration measurements can also be be re-imported to the R&S FSW MCGD application as reference data for further measurements.



The standard data management functions (e.g. saving or loading instrument settings) that are available for all R&S FSW applications are not described here.

See the R&S FSW User Manual for a description of the standard functions.

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# 8.1 Export Functions



The following export functions are available via softkeys in the "Save/Recall" menu which is displayed when you select the "Save" or "Open" icon in the toolbar. Some functions are also available via softkeys or dialog boxes in the corresponding menus, e.g. trace data or calibration data.



### **Storing Calibration Data**

Stores the calibration data (reference data) to the selected file (.csv format)

### SCPI command:

MMEMory:STORe:MCGD:RCALibration on page 107

### **Storing Measurement Results**

Stores the currently displayed measurement results (i.e. all traces in all windows) to the selected file (.csv format).

**Note:** To store the results of an individual trace in ASCII format (.txt), use the Export Trace to ASCII File function.

### SCPI command:

MMEMory:STORe:MCGD:MEAS on page 122

# **Export Trace to ASCII File**

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

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Both measurement and reference (calibration) traces can be exported to an ASCII file. However, the calibration data stored in an ASCII file cannot be re-imported to the R&S FSW (to re-import the data use Storing Calibration Data instead).

**Note:** To store the measurement results for **all** traces in all windows in .csv format, use the Storing Measurement Results command in the "Save/Recall" > "Export" menu.

For details on the file formats see chapter 12, "Annex", on page 140.

SCPI command:

MMEMory:STORe<n>:TRACe on page 123

### **Decimal Separator**

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

SCPI command:

FORMat:DEXPort:DSEParator on page 124

# 8.2 Import Functions



The following import functions are available via softkeys in the "Save/Recall" menu which is displayed when you select the "Save" or "Open" icon in the toolbar. Calibration data can also be imported from the "Calibration" configuration dialog box.

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### **Loading Calibration Data**

Loads the calibration data (reference data) from the selected file (.csv format) to the instrument. The current reference data in the MCGD application is overwritten; the loaded data is used for the group delay calculation.

**Note:** When loading calibration data, the number of carriers in the stored data must correspond to the currently defined number of carriers for the measurement, otherwise loading fails.

SCPI command:

MMEMory:LOAD:MCGD:RCALibration on page 107

### **Decimal Separator**

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

SCPI command:

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# 9 How to Perform Measurements in the Multi-Carrier Group Delay Application

The following step-by-step instructions demonstrate how to perform a Multi-Carrier Group Delay measurement with the R&S FSW-K17 option. For details on the individual functions and settings see chapter 6, "Configuration", on page 24.

Additionally, the procedure to generate the multi-carrier signal for the frequency range to be analyzed on a signal generator is described, using the R&S SMU as an example. For details on configuring the signal generator, see the R&S SMU User Manual.

# To generate a multi-carrier signal for the frequency range of the DUT on an R&S SMU

- 1. Preset the signal generator.
- 2. In the "Baseband" menu, select "Multicarrier CW". (Alternatively, the R&S SMU can produce multi-carrier signals using the "ARB" option.)
- 3. In the "Carrier Setup" area define the "No of Carriers" and "Carrier Spacing" such that the generated signal covers the frequency range in which the DUT is to be analyzed.
- 4. In the "Optimize Crest Factor Mode" field, select "Chirp" to improve the SNR in the MC Group Delay measurement.
- 5. To improve measurement accuracy, send a trigger signal to the R&S FSW:
  - a) Select the "Trigger/Marker" button.
  - b) Select MODE and select "Auto".
  - c) Select MARKER 1 and select "Restart".
  - d) Exit the "Trigger/Marker" menu.
- 6. Activate the multi-carrier signal by switching "State" to "ON".
- 7. Close the "Baseband" menu.
- 8. Open the "RF/A Mod" menu.
- 9. In the "RF/A Mod" menu, select "RF ON" to activate the RF modulation.
- 10. Select the FREQ key to define the center frequency of the test signal.
- 11. Select the LEVEL key to define the generator's output power.

# To perform the MC Group Delay measurement on the R&S FSW

- To use the trigger from the signal generator on the R&S FSW, for example to calculate an absolute group delay, connect the trigger output of the signal generator (Marker 1 on the R&S SMU in the example above) to the trigger input of the R&S FSW.
- 2. To synchronize the reference frequencies used by the signal generator and the R&S FSW, use an external reference frequency:

- a) Connect the external reference output of the signal generator (REF OUT) to the external reference input on the rear panel of the R&S FSW (REF INPUT 1..20 MHz).
- b) On the R&S FSW, press the SETUP key, then select the "Reference" softkey.
- c) In the "Reference Frequency Input" area select the used external reference.
- 3. Connect the signal generator to the RF INPUT connector on the front panel of the R&S FSW without the DUT.
- 4. Configure the signal generator to output a multi-carrier signal in the frequency range in which the DUT is to be analyzed (as described in "To generate a multi-carrier signal for the frequency range of the DUT on an R&S SMU" on page 70).
- 5. Press the MODE key on the front panel of the R&S FSW and select the "MC Group Delay" application.
- 6. Select the "Overview" softkey to display the "Overview" for a Multi-Carrier Group Delay measurement.
- 7. Select the "Amplitude" button and define the required attenuation and reference level for the generated input signal.

**Note:** Correct attenuation and reference level settings are an important factor for accurate group delay measurement results. You can also use the auto leveling function in the R&S FSW Spectrum application before starting the MCGD application. The attenuation and reference level values are then passed on to the new MCGD measurement channel.

- 8. Select the "Frequency" button to define the input signal's center frequency.
- To measure the absolute group delay select the "Trigger" button and select the trigger source "External Trigger1".
- 10. Select the "Multi-Carrier Config" button to describe the signal and define measurement settings:
  - a) Define the carrier spacing.
  - b) Define the number of carriers (tones) or the frequency span according to the settings on the generator.
  - c) If the measurement time determined automatically is not adequate, define it manually.
  - d) To average the results over several sweeps, increase the sweep count.
  - e) To calculate an absolute group delay, select "Absolute" mode for the group delay result.

Check the displayed results to ensure the measurement configuration is adequate.

- 11. Press the RUN SINGLE key to stop the continuous sweep mode.
- 12. Select the "Multi-Carrier Config" softkey to re-open the "Multi-Carrier Config" dialog box and switch to the "Calibration" tab.
- 13. Select the "Calibrate" button to perform a calibration measurement.

Alternatively, if a calibration measurement has already been performed with the same measurement setup, select the "Load Calibration Data" button to load stored reference data.

The calibration measurement is performed. The status of the running measurement is indicated in a dialog box. During this time, no other actions can be performed on the R&S FSW.

The date and time of the most recently performed or loaded calibration measurement is indicated in the channel bar.

- 14. Optionally, to store the results from the performed calibration measurement to a CSV file for later use, select the "Store Calibration Data" button.
- 15. Once the reference data is available in the Multi-Carrier Group Delay application, connect the DUT between the signal generator and the R&S FSW.
- 16. On the R&S FSW, select the "Display Config" button and select the displays that are of interest to you (up to 6).

Arrange them on the display to suit your preferences, then exit the SmartGrid mode.

17. Press the RUN SINGLE key to start a new measurement.

The group delay is calculated and the selected results are displayed.

- 18. To store the displayed results in a CSV file:
  - a) Select the 🖪 "Save" icon in the toolbar.
  - b) Select the "Export" softkey.
  - c) If necessary, change the decimal separator to be used for the export file.
  - d) Select the "Store Measurement Data" softkey.
  - e) Define a file name and storage location for the results file.
- 19. To make use of the advanced analysis functions in the displays, select the "Analysis" button in the "Overview".
  - Configure a trace to display the average over a series of sweeps (on the "Trace" tab; if necessary, increase the "Sweep Count" in the "Multi-Carrier Config" settings).
    - This is recommended for absolute group delay trace results.
  - Configure markers and delta markers to determine deviations and offsets within the signal (on the "Marker" tab).
- 20. Optionally, export the trace data of the demodulated signal to a file.
  - a) In the "Traces" tab of the "Analysis" dialog box, switch to the "Trace Export" tab.
  - b) Select "Export Trace to ASCII File".
  - c) Define a file name and storage location and select "OK".

# 10 Optimizing and Troubleshooting the Measurement

If the results do not meet your expectations, try the following methods to optimize the measurement:

#### **Calibration fails**

- Check the connection from the signal generator to the R&S FSW.
- Check the settings on the signal generator.
- Check the input signal at the R&S FSW.

No trace visible in "Magnitude Reference" and "Phase Reference" windows

 No calibration data is available, perform a calibration measurement (without the DUT) or load stored calibration data.

No trace visible in "Group Delay" window

- No calibration data is available, perform a calibration measurement (without the DUT) or load stored calibration data.
- MCGD configuration is not compatible to the current calibration (reference) data.
   Perform a new calibration or adjust measurement settings to fit the calibration data (see chapter 6.7.2, "Calibration", on page 46).

#### Group delay results are not calculated correctly

- Check the connections from the DUT to the R&S FSW and to the signal generator.
- Repeat the calibration measurement (without the DUT) or load stored calibration data from the same measurement setup.
- Check if the MCGD configuration on the R&S FSW fits to the signal sent by the generator.
- Connect an external reference to the R&S FSW to improve accuracy (see the R&S FSW User Manual).
- Check level settings on both the signal generator in use and the R&S FSW MCGD application. Increase the generator's output level and adjust the reference level of the MCGD application accordingly.
- Check the measurement time. Longer measurement times result in better signal to noise ratios in the group delay calculation. The "Meas Time Auto" mode should provide a suitable value in most cases (see "Measurement Time" on page 45).
- For absolute group delay calculation an external trigger has to be used. Check
  whether an external trigger is connected and is being sent to the R&S FSW. The
  trigger periodicity has to be an integer multiple of the signal's periodicity, which is 1/
  carrier spacing.
- Increase the sweep count for absolute group delay calculation (for example 100 sweeps) to improve the measurement result. Use the sweep count for calibration as well as for group delay measurement (trace averaging) to compensate for trigger inaccuracies.
- Increase the carrier spacing on the used multi-carrier signal to reduce noise in the group delay calculation. Reducing the carrier spacing for multi-carrier signals leads

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to a better frequency resolution, but also causes more noise in the calculated group delay.

For very low signal levels and short measurement times, the frequency estimation
used by the MCGD application to determine the exact position of the carriers can
degrade the measurement result due to uncompensated intercarrier interference.
Increase the signal generator's output level. Alternatively, you can select the carrier
offset mode "Fixed". In this case, frequency estimation is disabled and the carrier
offset is set to a fixed value: 0 Hz for odd number of carriers and carrier spacing / 2
for even number of carriers accordingly.

## 10.1 Error and Status Messages

Error messages are entered in the error/event queue of the status reporting system in the remote control mode and can be queried with the command SYSTem: ERRor?.

Warnings are not indicated in the status reporting system, but are displayed in the status bar. A short explanation of the warning messages for the R&S FSW MCGD application is given below.

Table 10-1: Status messages for the R&S FSW MCGD application

Status bar message	Description	
"No calibration data"	The calibration measurement has not yet been performed, nor have stored settings been loaded.	
"Measurement configuration not compatible to Calibration Data"	MCGD configuration contains a setting that is not compatible to the current calibration (reference) data.	
	Solution:	
	Repeat the calibration measurement (without the DUT) or change the measurement settings.	

# 11 Remote Commands to Perform Multi-Carrier Group Delay Measurements

The following commands are required to perform measurements in the Multi-Carrier Group Delay application in a remote environment. It is assumed that the R&S FSW has already been set up for remote operation in a network as described in the R&S FSW User Manual.

#### **Common Suffixes**

In the Multi-Carrier Group Delay application, the following common suffixes are used in remote commands:

Suffix	Value range	Description
<m></m>	116	Marker
<n></n>	16	Window
<t></t>	14	Trace



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 Multi-Carrier Group Delay application 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 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.

## 11.1.2 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:

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

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

## 11.1.3 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.

## 11.1.4 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.

## 11.1.5 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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#### 11.1.5.1 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.

#### 11.1.5.2 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

#### 11.1.5.3 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 11.1.1, "Long and Short Form", on page 76.

## 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

#### 11.1.5.4 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'

#### 11.1.5.5 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 a 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 Activating Multi-Carrier Group Delay Measurements

Multi-Carrier Group Delay measurements requires a special application on the R&S FSW. A measurement is started immediately with the default settings.

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

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 table 11-1.

<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 table 11-1).

Example: INST:CRE SAN, 'Spectrum 2'

Adds an additional spectrum display named "Spectrum 2".

INSTrument:CREate:REPLace < ChannelName1>, < ChannelType>, < ChannelName2>

This command replaces a measurement channel with another one.

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 table 11-1.

<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 table 11-1).

**Example:** INST:CRE:REPL 'Spectrum2', IQ, 'IQAnalyzer'

Replaces the channel named 'Spectrum2' by a new measurement

channel of type 'IQ Analyzer' named 'IQAnalyzer'.

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## 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 'Spectrum4'

Deletes the spectrum channel with the name 'Spectrum4'.

#### **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 table 11-1).

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', 'SANALYZER', 'Spectrum'

Usage: Query only

Table 11-1: Available measurement channel types and default channel names

Application	<channeltype> Parameter</channeltype>	Default Channel Name*)
Spectrum	SANALYZER	Spectrum
I/Q Analyzer	IQ	IQ Analyzer
Pulse (R&S FSW-K6)	PULSE	Pulse
Analog Demodulation (R&S FSW-K7)	ADEM	Analog Demod
GSM (R&S FSW-K10)	GSM	GSM
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
VSA (R&S FSW-K70)	DDEM	VSA
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Note: 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.

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Application	<channeltype> Parameter</channeltype>	Default Channel Name*)
3GPP FDD BTS (R&S FSW-K72)	BWCD	3G FDD BTS
3GPP FDD UE (R&S FSW- K73)	MWCD	3G FDD UE
cdma2000 BTS (R&S FSW- K82)	вс2К	CDMA2000 BTS
cdma2000 MS (R&S FSW- K83)	MC2K	CDMA2000 MS
1xEV-DO BTS (R&S FSW- K84)	BDO	1xEV-DO BTS
1xEV-DO MS (R&S FSW- K85)	MDO	1xEV-DO MS
WLAN (R&S FSW-K91)	WLAN	WLAN
LTE (R&S FSW-K10x)	LTE	LTE

Note: 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.

## Parameters:

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

<ChannelName2> String containing the new channel name.

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

channel; this will cause an error.

Example: INST:REN 'Spectrum2', 'Spectrum3'

Renames the channel with the name 'Spectrum2' to 'Spectrum3'.

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

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

See also INSTrument: CREate [:NEW] on page 80.

#### Parameters:

<ChannelType> MCGD

Multi-Carrier Group Delay application, R&S FSW-K17 For a list of available channel types see table 11-1.

<ChannelName> String containing the name of the channel.

## SYSTem:PRESet:CHANnel[:EXECute]

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

Use INST: SEL to select the channel.

Example: INST 'Spectrum2'

Selects the channel for "Spectrum2".

SYST: PRES: CHAN: EXEC

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

Usage: Event

Manual control: See "Preset Channel" on page 26

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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 occured 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.

Parameters:

<CouplingType> AC

AC coupling

DC

DC coupling

\*RST: AC

**Example:** INP:COUP:DC

Usage: SCPI confirmed

Manual control: See "Input Coupling" on page 28

## 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 option R&S FSW-B13.

(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 filter.)

## Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF

\*RST: OFF

**Usage:** SCPI confirmed

Manual control: See "High-Pass Filter 1...3 GHz" on page 29

## INPut:FILTer:YIG[:STATe] <State>

This command turns the YIG-preselector on and off.

Note the special conditions and restrictions for the YIG filter described in "YIG-Preselector" on page 29.

#### Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF

\*RST: ON (OFF for I/Q Analyzer, GSM and MC Group Delay

measurements)

**Example:** INP:FILT:YIG OFF

Deactivates the YIG-preselector.

Manual control: See "YIG-Preselector" on page 29

#### INPut:IMPedance < Impedance >

This command selects the nominal input impedance of the RF input.

75  $\Omega$  should be selected if the 50  $\Omega$  input impedance is transformed to a higher impedance using a matching pad of the RAZ type (= 25  $\Omega$  in series to the input impedance of the instrument). The power loss correction value in this case is 1.76 dB = 10 log (75 $\Omega$ /50 $\Omega$ ).

#### Parameters:

<Impedance> 50 | 75

\*RST:  $50 \Omega$ 

**Example:** INP:IMP 75

Usage: SCPI confirmed

Manual control: See "Impedance" on page 28

#### 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 options are installed, only RF input is supported.

#### Parameters:

<Source> RF

Radio Frequency ("RF INPUT" connector)

\*RST: RF

## 11.3.2 Configuring the Vertical Axis (Amplitude, Scaling)

The following commands are required to configure the amplitude and vertical axis settings in a remote environment.

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## DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe:Y[:SCALe]:RLEVel <ReferenceLevel>

This command defines the reference level.

With a reference level offset  $\neq 0$ , the value range of the reference level is modified by the offset.

Parameters:

<ReferenceLevel> The unit is variable.

Range: see datasheet

\*RST: 0 dBm

**Example:** DISP:TRAC:Y:RLEV -60dBm

Usage: SCPI confirmed

Manual control: See "Reference Level" on page 30

## DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe:Y[:SCALe]:RLEVel:OFFSet <Offset>

This command defines a reference level offset.

Parameters:

<Offset> Range: -200 dB to 200 dB

\*RST: 0dB

**Example:** DISP:TRAC:Y:RLEV:OFFS -10dB

Manual control: See "Reference Level" on page 30

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#### 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 88).

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.

Parameters:

<a href="#"><Attenuation></a> 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 control: See "RF Attenuation" on page 31

See "Attenuation Mode / Value" on page 31

## 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.

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF

\*RST: ON

Example: INP:ATT:AUTO ON

Couples the attenuation to the reference level.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

Manual control: See "RF Attenuation" on page 31

See "Attenuation Mode / Value" on page 31

#### 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 87).

If the current reference level is not compatible with an attenuation that has been set manually, the command also adjusts the reference level.

Parameters:

<a href="#"><Attenuation></a> attenuation in dB

Range: see data sheet

Increment: 1 dB \*RST: 0 dB (OFF)

**Example:** INP:EATT:AUTO OFF

INP:EATT 10 dB

Manual control: See "Using Electronic Attenuation (Option B25)" on page 31

## 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.

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF

\*RST: ON

**Example:** INP:EATT:AUTO OFF

Manual control: See "Using Electronic Attenuation (Option B25)" on page 31

#### INPut:EATT:STATe <State>

This command turns the electronic attenuator on and off.

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF

\*RST: OFF

**Example:** INP:EATT:STAT ON

Switches the electronic attenuator into the signal path.

Manual control: See "Using Electronic Attenuation (Option B25)" on page 31

#### 11.3.2.3 Configuring a Preamplifier

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#### INPut:GAIN:STATe <State>

This command turns the preamplifier on and off.

The command requires option R&S FSW-B24.

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF

\*RST: OFF

Example: INP:GAIN:STAT ON

Switches on 30 dB preamplification.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

Manual control: See "Input Settings" on page 32

See "Preamplifier (option B24)" on page 32

## INPut:GAIN[:VALue] <Gain>

This command selects the preamplification level if the preamplifier is activated (INP:GAIN:STAT ON, see INPut:GAIN:STATe on page 88).

The command requires option R&S FSW-B24.

## Parameters:

<Gain> 15 dB | 30 dB

The availability of preamplification levels depends on the R&S

FSW model.

R&S FSW8: 15dB and 30 dB
R&S FSW13: 15dB and 30 dB

• R&S FSW26: 30 dB

All other values are rounded to the nearest of these two.

\*RST: OFF

**Example:** INP:GAIN:VAL 30

Switches on 30 dB preamplification.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

Manual control: See "Input Settings" on page 32

See "Preamplifier (option B24)" on page 32

## 11.3.2.4 Scaling the Y-Axis (+Units)

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## DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe:Y[:SCALe] <Range>

This command defines the display range of the y-axis.

**Example:** DISP:TRAC:Y 110dB

Usage: SCPI confirmed

Manual control: See "Defining a Range and the Reference Level Position"

on page 34

See "Range" on page 34

## DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe:Y[:SCALe]:MAXimum <Value>

This command defines the maximum value of the y-axis for the selected result display.

## Parameters:

<Value> <numeric value>

\*RST: depends on the result display
The unit and range depend on the result display.

**Example:** DISP:TRAC:Y:MIN -60

DISP:TRAC:Y:MAX 0

Defines the y-axis with a minimum value of -60 and maximum

value of 0.

Manual control: See "Defining Min and Max Values" on page 36

## DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe:Y[:SCALe]:MINimum <Value>

This command defines the minimum value of the y-axis for the selected result display.

Parameters:

<Value> <numeric value>

\*RST: depends on the result display
The unit and range depend on the result display.

Example: DISP:TRAC:Y:MIN -60

DISP:TRAC:Y:MAX 0

Defines the y-axis with a minimum value of -60 and maximum

value of 0.

Manual control: See "Defining Min and Max Values" on page 36

## DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe:Y[:SCALe]:MODE <Mode>

This command selects the type of scaling of the y-axis.

When the display update during remote control is off, this command has no immediate effect.

Parameters:

<Mode> ABSolute

absolute scaling of the y-axis

**RELative** 

relative scaling of the y-axis

\*RST: ABSolute

**Example:** DISP:TRAC:Y:MODE REL

Manual control: See "Defining a Range and the Reference Level Position"

on page 34

See "Scaling" on page 35 See "Scale Mode" on page 36

## DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe:Y[:SCALe]:PDIVision <Value>

This remote command determines the grid spacing on the Y-axis for all diagrams, where possible.

Parameters:

<Value> numeric value; the unit depends on the result display

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 control: See "Configuring a Reference Point and Divisions" on page 35

See "Range per Division" on page 35

## DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe:Y[:SCALe]:RPOSition < Position>

This command defines the vertical position of the reference level on the display grid.

The R&S FSW adjusts the scaling of the y-axis accordingly.

**Example:** DISP:TRAC:Y:RPOS 50PCT

**Usage:** SCPI confirmed

Manual control: See "Defining a Range and the Reference Level Position"

on page 34

See "Ref Level Position" on page 34

See "Configuring a Reference Point and Divisions" on page 35

See "Y-Axis Reference Position" on page 35

## DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe:Y[:SCALe]:RVALue < Value>

The command defines the power value assigned to the reference position in the grid.

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 control: See "Configuring a Reference Point and Divisions" on page 35

See "Y-Axis Reference Value" on page 35

#### DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe:Y:SPACing <ScalingType>

This command selects the scaling of the y-axis.

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 control: See "Defining a Range and the Reference Level Position"

on page 34

See "Scaling" on page 35

#### UNIT:ANGLe <Unit>

This command selects the unit for angles (for phase display).

Parameters:

<Unit> DEG | RAD

\*RST: DEG

Example: UNIT: ANGL DEG

Manual control: See "Phase Unit (Rad/Deg)" on page 36

## 11.3.3 Frequency

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## [SENSe:]FREQuency:CENTer <Frequency>

This command defines the center frequency.

## Parameters:

Frequency> The allowed range and f<sub>max</sub> 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 control: See "Center" on page 37

## [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 92.

Parameters:

<StepSize> f<sub>max</sub> 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 control: See "Center Frequency Stepsize" on page 37

## [SENSe:]FREQuency:CENTer:STEP:AUTO <State>

This command couples or decouples the center frequency step size to the span.

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF

\*RST: ON

**Example:** FREQ:CENT:STEP:AUTO ON

Activates the coupling of the step size to the span.

## [SENSe:]FREQuency:CENTer:STEP:LINK < Coupling Type>

This command couples and decouples the center frequency step size to the span or the resolution bandwidth.

Parameters:

<CouplingType> SPAN

Couples the step size to the span. Available for measurements in

the frequency domain.

**OFF** 

Decouples the step size.

\*RST: SPAN

**Example:** FREQ:CENT:STEP:LINK SPAN

## [SENSe:]FREQuency:CENTer:STEP:LINK:FACTor <Factor>

This command defines a step size factor if the center frequency step size is coupled to the span.

Parameters:

<Factor> 1 to 100 PCT

\*RST: 10

**Example:** FREQ:CENT:STEP:LINK:FACT 20PCT

## [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 38.

Parameters:

<Offset> Range: -100 GHz to 100 GHz

\*RST: 0 Hz

**Example:** FREQ:OFFS 1GHZ

Usage: SCPI confirmed

Manual control: See "Frequency Offset" on page 38

## 11.3.4 Triggering Measurements

Useful commands for triggering described elsewhere:

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## TRIGger[:SEQuence]:DTIMe < DropoutTime>

Defines the time the input signal must stay below the trigger level before a trigger is detected again.

Parameters:

<DropoutTime> Dropout time of the trigger.

Range: 0 s to 10.0 s

\*RST: 0 s

Manual control: See "Trigger Source" on page 40

See "Drop-Out Time" on page 41

## TRIGger[:SEQuence]:HOLDoff[:TIME] <Offset>

Defines the time offset between the trigger event and the start of the sweep (data capturing).

Parameters:

<Offset> \*RST: 0 s

Example: TRIG: HOLD 500us

Manual control: See "Trigger Source" on page 40

See "Trigger Offset" on page 41

## TRIGger[:SEQuence]:IFPower:HOLDoff <Period>

This command defines the holding time before the next trigger event.

Note that this command is available for **any trigger source**, not just IF Power.

Parameters:

<Period> \*RST: 150 ns
Example: TRIG:SOUR IFP

Manual control: See "Trigger Source" on page 40

See "Trigger Holdoff" on page 42

## TRIGger[:SEQuence]:IFPower:HYSTeresis < Hysteresis >

This command defines the trigger hysteresis.

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 control: See "Trigger Source" on page 40

See "Hysteresis" on page 41

## TRIGger[:SEQuence]:LEVel[:EXTernal<port>] <TriggerLevel>

This command defines the level the external signal must exceed to cause a trigger event.

Note that the variable INPUT/OUTPUT connectors (ports 2+3) must be set for use as input using the <code>OUTPut:TRIGger<port>:DIRection</code> command.

Suffix:

<port> 1 | 2 | 3

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 control: See "Trigger Source" on page 40

See "Trigger Level" on page 41

## 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.

Parameters:

<TriggerLevel> Range: -50 dBm to 20 dBm

\*RST: -20 dBm

**Example:** TRIG:LEV:IFP -30DBM

Manual control: See "Trigger Source" on page 40

See "Trigger Level" on page 41

## 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 control: See "Trigger Source" on page 40

See "Trigger Level" on page 41

## TRIGger[:SEQuence]:LEVel:RFPower <TriggerLevel>

This command defines the power level the RF input must exceed to cause a trigger event. Note that any RF attenuation or preamplification is considered when the trigger level is analyzed.

The input signal must be between 500 MHz and 8 GHz.

Parameters:

<TriggerLevel> Range: -50 dBm to -10 dBm

\*RST: -20 dBm

**Example:** TRIG:LEV:RFP -30dBm

## TRIGger[:SEQuence]:RFPower:HOLDoff <Time>

This command defines the holding time before the next trigger event. Note that this command is available for any trigger source, not just RF Power.

Note that this command is maintained for compatibility reasons only. Use the TRIGger[:SEQuence]:IFPower:HOLDoff on page 95 command for new remote control programs.

## Parameters:

<Time> Default unit: S

## 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 control: See "Trigger Source" on page 40

See "Slope" on page 42

## 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 **EXTern** 

Trigger signal from the TRIGGER INPUT connector.

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

**IFPower** 

Second intermediate frequency

**IQPower** 

Magnitude of sampled I/Q data

For applications that process I/Q data, such as the I/Q Analyzer

or optional applications

\*RST: IMMediate

Example: TRIG:SOUR EXT

Selects the external trigger input as source of the trigger signal

Manual control: See "Trigger Source" on page 40

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## 11.3.4.2 Configuring the Trigger Output

The following commands are required to send the trigger signal to one of the variable TRIGGER INPUT/OUTPUT connectors. The tasks for manual operation are described in "Trigger 2/3" on page 42.

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## OUTPut:TRIGger<port>:DIRection < Direction>

This command selects the trigger direction.

Suffix:

<port> 2 | 3

Selects the trigger port to which the output is sent.

2 = trigger port 2 (front) 3 = trigger port 3 (rear)

Parameters:

<Direction> INPut

Port works as an input.

**OUTPut** 

Port works as an output.

\*RST: INPut

Manual control: See "Trigger 2/3" on page 42

## OUTPut:TRIGger<port>:LEVel <Level>

This command defines the level of the 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> 2 | 3

Selects the trigger port to which the output is sent.

2 = trigger port 2 (front) 3 = trigger port 3 (rear)

Parameters:

<Level> HIGH

TTL signal. **LOW**0 V

\*RST: LOW

Manual control: See "Trigger 2/3" on page 42

See "Output Type" on page 42

See "Level" on page 43

## OUTPut:TRIGger<port>:OTYPe <OutputType>

This command selects the type of signal generated at the trigger output.

Suffix:

<port> 2 | 3

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 internally.

**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 control: See "Trigger 2/3" on page 42

See "Output Type" on page 42

## OUTPut:TRIGger<port>:PULSe:IMMediate

This command generates a pulse at the trigger output.

Suffix:

<port> 2 | 3

Selects the trigger port to which the output is sent.

2 = trigger port 2 (front) 3 = trigger port 3 (rear)

Usage: Event

Manual control: See "Trigger 2/3" on page 42

See "Output Type" on page 42 See "Send Trigger" on page 43

#### OUTPut:TRIGger<port>:PULSe:LENGth <Length>

This command defines the length of the pulse generated at the trigger output.

Suffix:

<port> 2 | 3

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.

Manual control: See "Trigger 2/3" on page 42

See "Output Type" on page 42 See "Pulse Length" on page 43

## 11.3.5 Multi-Carrier Configuration

The following commands are required to configure the multi-carrier measurement.

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## CALCulate:GRPDelay:MODE < GroupDelayAbsRel>

This command sets the group delay mode for multi carriers to either absolute or relative or queries its current state.

#### Parameters:

<GroupDelayAbsRel> ABSolute | RELative

**ABSolute** 

Calculates the absolute group delay; requires an external trigger

**RELative** 

Calculates the relative group delay; constant delay parts are com-

pensated for

\*RST: ABSolute

Manual control: See "Group Delay Mode" on page 46

[SENSe:]BANDwidth:DEMod? [SENSe:]BWIDth:DEMod?

Queries the measurement bandwidth in Hz

Return values:

<Bandwidth> Default unit: HZ

Usage: Query only

[SENSe:]CARRier:COUNt < Count>

Sets/queries the number of carriers.

Parameters:

<Count>

Manual control: See "Number of Carriers" on page 45

[SENSe:]CARRier:SPACing < CarrierSpacing>

Sets/queries the carrier spacing in Hz between the multiple carriers.

Parameters:

<CarrierSpacing> Default unit: HZ

Manual control: See "Carrier Spacing" on page 45

[SENSe:]FREQuency:SPAN <Frequency>

Sets/queries the frequency span in Hz

Parameters:

<Frequency> Default unit: HZ

Manual control: See "Span" on page 37

## [SENSe:]MTIMe:AUTO < MeasTimeAutoMode>

This command enables or disables automatic measurement time selection.

#### Parameters:

<MeasTimeAutoMode **2N** 

Enables automatic measurement time selection.

**OFF** 

Measurement time is defined manually.

\*RST: ON

Manual control: See "Measurement Time" on page 45

## [SENSe:]MTIMe <MeasTime>

This command queries or sets the measurement time.

Parameters:

<MeasTime> The measurement time.

\*RST: 5 ms Default unit: S

Manual control: See "Measurement Time" on page 45

## [SENSe:]CARRier:OFFSet?

Queries the offset in Hz of the carriers compared to the center frequency.

Return values:

<CarrierOffset> Range: - (Carrier spacing / 2) to + (Carrier spacing / 2)

Default unit: HZ

**Usage:** Query only

Manual control: See "Carrier Offset" on page 46

## [SENSe:]CARRier:OFFSet:MODE < CarrierOffsetMode >

This command determines how the carrier offset is defined.

#### Parameters:

<CarrierOffsetMode> ESTimate | FIXed

#### **ESTimate**

The offset is estimated from the measurement data and compen-

sated for automatically.

Possible values are in the range of:

- (Carrier spacing / 2) to + (Carrier spacing / 2)

#### **FIXed**

A fixed offset is used, depending on the number of carriers:

Odd number: offset = 0

Even number: ofset = Carrier spacing / 2

Manual control: See "Carrier Offset" on page 46

## [SENSe:]RLENgth?

This command returns the record length determined by the current measurement settings.

#### Return values:

<SampleCount> Number of samples captured in one sweep.

Usage: Query only

## [SENSe:]SRATe?

This command returns the sample rate set up for current measurement settings.

#### Return values:

<SampleRate> Current sample rate used by the application.

Usage: Query only

## 11.3.6 Configuring the Outputs



Configuring trigger input/output is described in chapter 11.3.4.2, "Configuring the Trigger Output", on page 98.

## DIAGnostic<n>:SERVice:NSOurce <State>

This command turns the 28 V supply of the BNC connector labeled NOISE SOURCE CONTROL on the front panel on and off.

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF

\*RST: OFF

**Example:** DIAG:SERV:NSO ON

Manual control: See "Noise Source" on page 50

## 11.3.7 Automatic Settings

Some settings can be adjusted by the R&S FSW automatically according to the current measurement settings and signal characteristics.



## MSRA operating mode

In MSRA operating mode, the following automatic settings are not available, as they require a new data acquisition. However, the GSM application cannot perform data acquisition in MSRA operating mode.

[SENSe:]ADJust:CONFigure:DURation	104
[SENSe:]ADJust:CONFigure:DURation:MODE	
[SENSe:]ADJust:CONFigure:HYSTeresis:LOWer	
[SENSe:]ADJust:CONFigure:HYSTeresis:UPPer	
[SENSe:]ADJust:LEVel	

#### [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 control: See "Changing the Automatic Measurement Time (Meastime

Manual)" on page 52

## [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 automatically

according to the current input data.

**MANual** 

The R&S FSW uses the measurement length defined by [SENSe:] ADJust:CONFigure:DURation on page 104.

\*RST: AUTO

Manual control: See "Resetting the Automatic Measurement Time (Meastime

Auto)" on page 52

See "Changing the Automatic Measurement Time (Meastime

Manual)" on page 52

## [SENSe:]ADJust:CONFigure:HYSTeresis:LOWer <Threshold>

When the reference level is adjusted automatically using the [SENSe:]ADJust: LEVel on page 106 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 control: See "Lower Level Hysteresis" on page 53

## [SENSe:]ADJust:CONFigure:HYSTeresis:UPPer <Threshold>

When the reference level is adjusted automatically using the [SENSe:]ADJust: LEVel on page 106 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

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**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 control: See "Upper Level Hysteresis" on page 52

## [SENSe:]ADJust:LEVel

This command initiates a single (internal) measurement that evaluates and sets the ideal reference level for the current input data and measurement settings. 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.

Example: ADJ:LEV
Usage: Event

Manual control: See "Setting the Reference Level Automatically (Auto Level)"

on page 52

## 11.4 Measuring, Loading and Storing Calibration Data

The following commands are required to perform the calibration measurement and load and store the calibration data.

CALibration:MCGD	106
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MMEMory:STORe:MCGD:RCALibration	107

#### CALibration: MCGD

This command initiates a new calibration. You can synchronize to the end of the measurement as usual with \*OPC, \*OPC? or \*WAI.

**Example:** CAL:MCGD; \*WAI

Performs a calibration measurement and waits for the results.

Usage: Event

Manual control: See "Calibrate (Execute Reference Calibration)" on page 47

## CALibration: MCGD: STATe?

This command queries the calibration status of the Multi Carrier Group Delay application.

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Return values:

<State> ON | 1

Calibration has been performed, reference data is available.

OFF | 0

Calibration has not yet been performed or is currently running,

reference data is not yet available.

Usage: Query only

### MMEMory:LOAD:MCGD:RCALibration <File>

This command loads the calibration data stored in the selected file and replaces the current data.

## **Setting parameters:**

<File> path and file name of the .csv file that contains the calibration

data

**Usage:** Setting only

Manual control: See "Loading Calibration Data" on page 48

#### MMEMory:STORe:MCGD:RCALibration <File>

This command stores the current calibration data to the selected file.

#### Setting parameters:

<File> path and file name of the .csv file that will contain the calibration

data

**Usage:** Setting only

Manual control: See "Storing Calibration Data" on page 47

# 11.5 Configuring the Result Display

The commands required to configure the screen display in a remote environment are described here.

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#### 11.5.1 General Window Commands

The following commands are required to configure general window layout, independant of the application.

Note that the suffix <n> always refers to the window in the currently selected measurement channel (see INSTrument[:SELect] on page 82).

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## **DISPlay:FORMat <Format>**

This command determines which tab is displayed.

Parameters:

<Format> SPLit

Displays the MultiView tab with an overview of all active channels

**SINGle** 

Displays the measurement channel that was previously focused.

\*RST: SPL

Example: DISP: FORM SING

## 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 111).

#### 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.

\*DOT: ONALL

\*RST: SMALI

**Example:** DISP:WIND2:LARG

## DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:SELect

This command sets the focus on the selected result display window.

This window is then the active window.

Example: DISP:WIND1:SEL

Sets the window 1 active.

**Usage:** Setting only

## 11.5.2 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 82).

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

This command adds a window to the display.

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 window

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 window.

<WindowType> text value

Type of result display (evaluation method) you want to add.

See the table below for available parameter values.

#### Return values:

<NewWindowName> When adding a new window, the command returns its name (by

default the same as its number) as a result.

**Example:** LAY:ADD? '1', LEFT, MTAB

Result:

Adds a new window named '2' with a marker table to the left of

window 1.

**Usage:** Query only

Manual control: See "Magnitude" on page 15

See "Phase" on page 16

See "Magnitude Reference" on page 16 See "Phase Reference" on page 17 See "Group Delay" on page 17

See "Gain" on page 18

See "Marker Table" on page 18

Table 11-2: <WindowType> parameter values for Multi-Carrier Group Delay (K17) application

Parameter value	Window type
GAIN	Gain
GDELay	Group Delay vs. Frequency
MAGNitude	Magnitude vs. Frequency (Measurement data)
MTABle	Marker table
PHASe	Phase vs Frequency (Measurement data)
RMAGnitude	Magnitude vs. Frequency (Reference data)
RPHase	Phase vs Frequency (Reference data)

#### LAYout:CATalog[:WINDow]?

This command queries the name and index of all active windows from top left to bottom right. The result is a comma-separated list of values for each window, with the syntax:

<WindowName\_1>,<Index\_1>..<WindowName\_n>,<Index\_n>

Return values:

<WindowName> string

Name of the window.

In the default state, the name of the window is its index.

<Index> 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.

**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.

**Usage:** Query only

#### LAYout:REMove[:WINDow] <WindowName>

This command removes a window from the display.

Parameters:

<WindowName> String containing the name of the window.

In the default state, the name of the window is its index.

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 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, 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 109 for a list of available

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.

As opposed to the DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:SIZE on page 108 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.



Fig. 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 corner

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 figure

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, as opposed to LAYout: ADD[:WINDow]?, the suffix <n> determines the existing window next to which the new window is added.

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.

Parameters:

<WindowType> Type of measurement window you want to add.

See LAYout: ADD [:WINDow]? on page 109 for a list of available

window types.

Return values:

<NewWindowName> When adding a new window, the command returns its name (by

default the same as its number) as a result.

**Example:** LAY:WIND1:ADD? LEFT,MTAB

Result:

Adds a new window named '2' with a marker table to the left of

window 1.

Usage: Query only

#### LAYout:WINDow<n>:IDENtify?

This command queries the **name** of a particular display window (indicated by the <n> suffix).

**Note**: to query the **index** of a particular window, use the LAYout:IDENtify[: WINDow]? command.

Return values:

<WindowName> String containing the name of a window.

In the default state, the name of the window is its index.

Usage: Query only

#### LAYout:WINDow<n>:REMove

This command removes the window specified by the suffix <n> from the display.

The result of this command is identical to the LAYout: REMove [:WINDow] command.

Usage: Event

#### LAYout:WINDow<n>:REPLace <WindowType>

This command changes the window type of an existing window (specified by the suffix <n>).

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.

#### Parameters:

<WindowType>

Type of measurement window you want to replace another one

with.

See LAYout: ADD[:WINDow]? on page 109 for a list of available

window types.

### 11.6 Configuring and Performing Sweeps

When the MCGD 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 10).

Useful commands for configuring sweeps described elsewhere:

• [SENSe:] AVERage<n>: COUNt on page 126

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#### **ABORt**

This command aborts a current measurement 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: SEQuencer: ABORt on page 117 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 (GPIB, LAN or other interface) 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 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 abor-

tion has been completed.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

#### INITiate:CONMeas

This command restarts a (single) measurement that has been stopped (using INIT: CONT OFF) or finished in single sweep mode.

The measurement is restarted at the beginning, not where the previous measurement was stopped.

As opposed to INITiate[: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.

**Example:** (for Spectrum application:)

INIT: CONT OFF

Switches to single sweep mode.

DISP: WIND: TRAC: MODE AVER

Switches on trace averaging.

SWE: COUN 20

Setting the sweep counter to 20 sweeps.

INIT; \*WAI

Starts the measurement and waits for the end of the 20 sweeps.

INIT:CONM; \*WAI

Continues the measurement (next 20 sweeps) and waits for the

end.

Result: Averaging is performed over 40 sweeps.

Manual control: See "Continue Single Sweep" on page 49

#### INITiate: CONTinuous < State>

This command controls the sweep mode.

Note that in single sweep mode, you can synchronize to the end of the measurement with \*OPC, \*OPC? or \*WAI. In continuous sweep mode, synchronization to the end of the measurement is not possible. Thus, it is not recommended that you use continuous sweep mode in remote control, as results like trace data or markers are only valid after a single sweep end synchronization.

For details on synchronization see the "Remote Basics" chapter in the R&S FSW User Manual.

If the sweep mode is changed for a measurement channel while the Sequencer is active (see INITiate: SEQuencer: IMMediate on page 117) the mode is only considered the next time the measurement in that channel is activated by the Sequencer.

#### Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF

ON

Continuous sweep

**OFF** 

Single sweep \*RST: ON

Example: INIT:CONT OFF

Switches the sweep mode to single sweep.

INIT:CONT ON

Switches the sweep mode to continuous sweep.

Manual control: See "Continuous Sweep/RUN CONT" on page 48

#### INITiate[:IMMediate]

This command starts a (single) new measurement.

With sweep count or average 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.

**Example:** (For Spectrum application:)

INIT: CONT OFF

Switches to single sweep mode. DISP:WIND:TRAC:MODE AVER Switches on trace averaging.

SWE: COUN 20

Sets the sweep counter to 20 sweeps.

INIT; \*WAI

Starts the measurement and waits for the end of the 20 sweeps.

Manual control: See "Single Sweep/ RUN SINGLE" on page 48

#### INITiate: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:SEQuencer:IMMediate on page 117.

To deactivate the Sequencer use SYSTem: SEQuencer on page 118.

Usage: Event

#### INITiate:SEQuencer:IMMediate

This command starts a new sequence of measurements by the Sequencer. Its effect is similar to the INITiate[:IMMediate] command used for a single measurement.

Before this command can be executed, the Sequencer must be activated (see SYSTem: SEQuencer on page 118).

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.

Usage: Event

#### INITiate: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 118).

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 Sequencer mode.

For details on synchronization see the "Remote Basics" chapter in the R&S FSW User Manual.

#### 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 Sequencer 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

ON

The Sequencer is activated and a sequential measurement is

started immediately.

OFF

The Sequencer is deactivated. Any running sequential measure-

ments are stopped. Further Sequencer commands

(INIT: SEQ...) are not available.

\*RST: OFF

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

#### [SENSe:]SWEep:COUNt <SweepCount>

This command defines the number of sweeps the R&S FSW uses to average traces.

During calibration measurements, the phase and amplitude values are averaged over the defined number of sweeps.

In case of continuous sweeps, the R&S FSW calculates the moving average over the average count.

In case of single sweep measurements, the R&S FSW stops the measurement and calculates the average after the average count has been reached.

Parameters:

<SweepCount> If you set a sweep count of 0 or 1, the R&S FSW performs one

single sweep in single sweep mode.

In continuous sweep mode, if the sweep count is set to 0, a moving

average over 10 sweeps is performed.

Range: 0 to 32767

\*RST: 0

Example: SWE:COUN 64

Sets the number of sweeps to 64.

INIT: CONT OFF

Switches to single sweep mode.

INIT; \*WAI

Starts a sweep and waits for its end.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

Manual control: See "Sweep Count" on page 45

#### [SENSe:]SWEep:COUNt:CURRent?

Queries the current sweep count

Usage: Query only

### 11.7 Retrieving Results

The following commands are required to retrieve the results in a remote environment.

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#### 11.7.1 Retrieving Marker Results

Useful commands for retrieving results described elsewhere:

- CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:X on page 130
- CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:X on page 131

#### Remote commands exclusive to retrieving marker results:

CALCulate <n>:DELTamarker<m>:X:RELative?</m></n>	120
CALCulate <n>:DELTamarker<m>:Y?</m></n>	120
CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:Y?</m></n>	121

#### 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.

#### Return values:

<Position> Position of the delta marker in relation to the reference marker or

the fixed reference.

**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>: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.

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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 sweeps. See also INITiate:CONTinuous on page 116.

The unit depends on the application of the command.

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

#### 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 sweeps. See also INITiate: CONTinuous on page 116.

#### 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

#### 11.7.2 Retrieving Trace Results

The following remote commands are required to retrieve the trace results in a remote environment.

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FORMat[:DATA]	
MMEMory:STORe:MCGD:MEAS	
TRACe <n>[:DATA]</n>	123
TRACe <n>[:DATA]?</n>	

#### DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:LENGth?

Queries the trace length.

#### Return values:

<TraceLength> Number of trace points

Usage: Query only

#### FORMat[:DATA] <Format>

This command selects the data format that is used for transmission of trace data from the R&S FSW to the controlling computer.

Note that the command has no effect for data that you send to the R&S FSW. The R&S FSW automatically recognizes the data it receives, regardless of the format.

#### Parameters:

<Format> ASCii

ASCii format, separated by commas.

This format is almost always suitable, regardless of the actual data format. However, the data is not as compact as other formats may

be.

REAL,32

32-bit IEEE 754 floating-point numbers in the "definite length block

format".

In the Spectrum application, the format setting  $\mathtt{REAL}$  is used for

the binary transmission of trace data.

\*RST: ASCII

Example: FORM REAL, 32

**Usage:** SCPI confirmed

#### MMEMory:STORe:MCGD:MEAS <File>

This command stores the current measurement results (all active traces in all windows, including calibration traces) to the selected file.

#### **Setting parameters:**

<File> path and file name of the .csv file that contains the measured

data

**Usage:** Setting only

Manual control: See "Storing Measurement Results" on page 68

Retrieving Results

#### TRACe<n>[:DATA] <Trace>,<Data> | <ResultType>

This command queries current trace data and measurement results.

The data format depends on FORMat [:DATA].

#### **Query parameters:**

<ResultType> Selects the type of result to be returned.

TRACE1 | ... | TRACE6

Returns the trace data for the corresponding trace.

For details see table 11-3.

Return values:

<TraceData> For more information see tables below.

**Example:** TRAC? TRACE3

Queries the data of trace 3.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

#### Table 11-3: Return values for TRACE1 to TRACE6 parameter

The trace data consists of a list of power levels that have been measured. The number of power levels in the list depends on the currently selected number of sweep points. The unit depends on the measurement and on the unit you have currently set.

#### TRACe<n>[:DATA]? <Trace>

This command queries current trace data and measurement results. For each of the measurement points (number is determined by record length, see [SENSe:

]RLENgth? on page 103) the power level, phase or group delay value is returned.

#### **Query parameters:**

<Trace> TRACe1 | TRACe2 | TRACe3 | TRACe4

Defines the trace whose data is returned.

**Usage:** Query only

#### 11.7.3 Exporting Trace Results

Trace results can be exported to a file.

For more commands concerning data and results storage see the R&S FSW User Man-

MMEMory:STORe <n>:TRACe</n>	123
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#### MMEMory:STORe<n>:TRACe <Trace>, <FileName>

This command exports trace data from the specified window to an ASCII file.

For details on the file format see chapter 12.2, "Reference: ASCII File Export Format", on page 140.

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, 'TEST.ASC'

Stores trace 3 from window 1 in the file TEST.ASC.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

Manual control: See "Export Trace to ASCII File" on page 57

#### 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 control: See "Decimal Separator" on page 48

# 11.8 Analyzing Multi-Carrier Group Delay Measurements

The following commands are required to analyze MCGD measurements in a remote environment.

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#### 11.8.1 Configuring Standard Traces

#### Useful commands for trace configuration described elsewhere

• DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe:Y:SPACing on page 91

• DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe:Y[:SCALe] on page 89

#### Remote commands exclusive to trace configuration

DISPlay[:WINDow <n>]:TRACe<t>:MODE</t></n>	
DISPlay[:WINDow <n>]:TRACe<t>:MODE:HCONtinuous</t></n>	126
DISPlay[:WINDow <n>]:TRACe<t>[:STATe]</t></n>	126
[SENSe:]AVERage <n>:COUNt</n>	
[SENSe:]AVERage <n>[:STATe<t>]</t></n>	127
[SENSe:]AVERage <n>:TYPE</n>	127

#### 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 Sweep Count. Note that synchronization to the end of the measurement is possible only in single sweep mode.

#### 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 control: See "Mode" on page 55

#### DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>:MODE:HCONtinuous <State>

This command turns an automatic reset of a trace on and off after a parameter has changed.

The reset works for trace modes min hold, max hold and average.

Note that the command has no effect if critical parameters like the span have been changed to avoid invalid measurement results

Parameters:

<State> ON

The automatic reset is off.

**OFF** 

The automatic reset is on.

\*RST: OFF

**Example:** DISP:WIND:TRAC3:MODE:HCON ON

Switches off the reset function.

Manual control: See "Hold" on page 55

#### DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TRACe<t>[:STATe] <State>

This command turns a trace on and off.

The measurement continues in the background.

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF

\*RST: Trace 1: ON, Trace 2-4: OFF

Example: DISP:TRAC3 ON

Usage: SCPI confirmed

Manual control: See "Trace 1/Trace 2/Trace 3/Trace 4" on page 55

See "Trace 1/Trace 2/Trace 3/Trace 4 (Softkeys)" on page 57

#### [SENSe:]AVERage<n>:COUNt <AverageCount>

This command defines the number of sweeps that the R&S FSW uses to average traces.

In case of continuous sweeps, the R&S FSW calculates the moving average over the average count.

In case of single sweep measurements, the R&S FSW stops the measurement and calculates the average after the average count has been reached.

The average count is valid for all evaluations, regardless of the specified window.

Parameters:

<AverageCount> If you set an average count of 0 or 1, the R&S FSW performs one

single sweep in single sweep mode.

In continuous sweep mode, if the average count is set to 0, a

moving average over 10 sweeps is performed.

Range: 0 to 32767

\*RST: 0

Usage: SCPI confirmed

Manual control: See "Average Count" on page 56

#### [SENSe:]AVERage<n>[:STATe<t>] <State>

This command turns averaging for a particular trace in a particular window on and off.

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF

Usage: SCPI confirmed

#### [SENSe:]AVERage<n>:TYPE <Mode>

This command selects the trace averaging mode.

Parameters:

<Mode> VIDeo

The logarithmic power values are averaged.

LINear

The power values are averaged before they are converted to log-

arithmic values.

**POWer** 

The power level values are converted into unit Watt prior to averaging. After the averaging, the data is converted back into its orig-

inal unit.

\*RST: VIDeo

**Example:** AVER: TYPE LIN

Switches to linear average calculation.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

Manual control: See "Average Mode" on page 55

#### 11.8.2 Setting Up Individual Markers

The following commands define the position of markers in the diagram.

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CALCulate <n>:DELTamarker<m>:LINK</m></n>	128
CALCulate <n>:DELTamarker<m1>:LINK:TO:MARKer<m2></m2></m1></n>	128

CALCulate <n>:DELTamarker:MODE</n>	129
CALCulate <n>:DELTamarker<m>:MREF</m></n>	129
CALCulate <n>:DELTamarker<m>[:STATe]</m></n>	129
CALCulate <n>:DELTamarker<m>:TRACe</m></n>	129
CALCulate <n>:DELTamarker<m>:X</m></n>	130
CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:AOFF</m></n>	130
CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m1>:LINK:TO:MARKer<m2></m2></m1></n>	130
CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>[:STATe]</m></n>	130
CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:TRACe</m></n>	131
CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:X</m></n>	131

#### CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker:AOFF

This command turns all delta markers off.

**Example:** CALC: DELT: AOFF

Turns all delta markers off.

Usage: Event

#### CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:LINK <State>

This command links delta marker <m> to marker 1.

If you change the horizontal position (stimulus, x-value) of marker 1, delta marker <m> changes its horizontal position to the same value.

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF

\*RST: OFF

**Example:** CALC:DELT2:LINK ON

Manual control: See "Linking to Another Marker" on page 61

#### CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m1>:LINK:TO:MARKer<m2> <State>

This command links delta marker <m1> to any active normal marker <m2>.

If you change the horizontal position of marker <m2>, delta marker <m1> changes its horizontal position to the same value.

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF

\*RST: OFF

**Example:** CALC:DELT4:LINK:TO:MARK2 ON

Links the delta marker 4 to the marker 2.

Manual control: See "Linking to Another Marker" on page 61

#### CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker:MODE < Mode>

This command selects the delta marker mode.

Parameters:

<Mode> ABSolute

Delta marker position in absolute terms.

**RELative** 

Delta marker position in relation to a reference marker.

\*RST: RELative

**Example:** CALC: DELT: MODE ABS

Absolute delta marker position.

#### CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MREF <Reference>

This command selects a reference marker for a delta marker other than marker 1.

Parameters:

<Reference> 1 to 16

Selects markers 1 to 16 as the reference.

**Example:** CALC:DELT3:MREF 2

Specifies that the values of delta marker 3 are relative to marker

2.

Manual control: See "Reference Marker" on page 61

#### 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.

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF

\*RST: OFF

Example: CALC: DELT2 ON

Turns on delta marker 2.

Manual control: See "Marker State" on page 60

See "Marker Type" on page 60

#### 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.

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.

Parameters:

<Position> Numeric value that defines the marker position on the x-axis. The

unit is s.

**Example:** CALC:DELT:X?

Outputs the (absolute) x-value of delta marker 1.

Manual control: See "Marker Position (Stimulus)" on page 60

#### CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:AOFF

This command turns all markers off.

**Example:** CALC:MARK:AOFF

Switches off all markers.

Usage: Event

Manual control: See "All Markers Off" on page 61

#### CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m1>:LINK:TO:MARKer<m2> <State>

This command links normal marker <m1> to any active normal marker <m2>.

If you change the horizontal position of marker <m2>, marker <m1> changes its horizontal position to the same value.

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF

\*RST: OFF

**Example:** CALC:MARK4:LINK:TO:MARK2 ON

Links marker 4 to marker 2.

Manual control: See "Linking to Another Marker" on page 61

#### 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.

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF

\*RST: OFF

Example: CALC:MARK3 ON

Switches on marker 3.

Manual control: See "Marker State" on page 60

See "Marker Type" on page 60

#### 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.

#### Parameters:

<Trace>

Example: CALC:MARK3:TRAC 2

Assigns marker 3 to trace 2.

Manual control: See "Assigning the Marker to a Trace" on page 61

#### 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.

#### Parameters:

<Position> Numeric value that defines the marker position on the x-axis.

The unit is s.

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 control: See "Marker Position (Stimulus)" on page 60

#### 11.8.3 General Marker Settings

The following commands control general marker functionality.

DISPlay:MTABle131	I
CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:LINK132</m></n>	2

#### DISPlay:MTABle < DisplayMode>

This command turns the marker table on and off.

Parameters:

<DisplayMode> ON

Turns the marker table on.

**OFF** 

Turns the marker table off.

**AUTO** 

Turns the marker table on if 3 or more markers are active.

\*RST: AUTO

Example: DISP:MTAB ON

Activates the marker table.

Manual control: See "Marker Table Display" on page 62

#### CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:LINK <State>

This command sets whether all markers will be linked across all display windows or queries the current setting.

#### Parameters:

<State>

Manual control: See "Linked Markers" on page 62

#### 11.8.4 Searching for Peaks and Positioning the Marker

The following remote commands are required to search for peaks and position the marker on a trace.

•	Searching for Peaks	132
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	Positioning Delta Markers	

#### 11.8.4.1 Searching for Peaks

#### CALCulate<n>:MARKer:PEXCursion < Excursion>

This command defines the peak excursion.

The peak excursion sets the requirements for a peak to be detected during a peak search.

The unit depends on the measurement.

Application/Result display	Unit
Spectrum	dB
MCGD	dBm, DEG, RAD, S, MS, US, NS, PS, SC

Parameters:

<Excursion> The excursion is the distance to a trace maximum that must be

attained before a new maximum is recognized, or the distance to a trace minimum that must be attained before a new minimum is

recognized

Range: 0 to 80 dB (MCGD: 60 dBm)

\*RST: 6.0

Manual control: See "Peak Excursion" on page 64

#### 11.8.4.2 Positioning Markers

The following commands position markers on the trace.

Useful commands for positioning markers described elsewhere:

• CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:X on page 130

#### Remote commands exclusive to positioning markers

CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:MAXimum:LEFT</m></n>	.133
CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:MAXimum:NEXT</m></n>	.133
CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:MAXimum[:PEAK]</m></n>	.133
CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:MAXimum:RIGHt</m></n>	.134
CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:MINimum:LEFT</m></n>	.134
CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:MINimum:NEXT</m></n>	.134
CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:MINimum[:PEAK]</m></n>	.134
CALCulate <n>:MARKer<m>:MINimum:RIGHt</m></n>	.134

#### 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.

Usage: Event

Manual control: See "Search Mode for Next Peak" on page 63

#### CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MAXimum:NEXT

This command moves a marker to the next lower peak.

Usage: Event

Manual control: See "Search Mode for Next Peak" on page 63

See "Search Next Peak" on page 65

#### CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MAXimum[:PEAK]

This command moves a marker to the highest level.

If the marker hasn't been active yet, the command first activates the marker.

Usage: Event

Manual control: See "Peak Search" on page 65

#### 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.

Usage: Event

Manual control: See "Search Mode for Next Peak" on page 63

#### 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.

Usage: Event

Manual control: See "Search Mode for Next Peak" on page 63

#### CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MINimum:NEXT

This command moves a marker to the next minimum value.

Usage: Event

Manual control: See "Search Mode for Next Peak" on page 63

See "Search Next Minimum" on page 65

#### CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:MINimum[:PEAK]

This command moves a marker to the minimum level.

If the marker hasn't been active yet, the command first activates the marker.

Usage: Event

Manual control: See "Search Minimum" on page 65

#### 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.

Usage: Event

Manual control: See "Search Mode for Next Peak" on page 63

#### 11.8.4.3 Positioning Delta Markers

The following commands position delta markers on the trace.

Useful commands for positioning delta markers described elsewhere:

• CALCulate<n>:MARKer<m>:X on page 131

#### Remote commands exclusive to positioning delta markers

CALCulate <n>:DELTamarker<m>:MAXimum:LEFT</m></n>	135
CALCulate <n>:DELTamarker<m>:MAXimum:NEXT</m></n>	135
CALCulate <n>:DELTamarker<m>:MAXimum[:PEAK]</m></n>	135
CALCulate <n>:DELTamarker<m>:MAXimum:RIGHt</m></n>	135
CALCulate <n>:DELTamarker<m>:MINimum:LEFT</m></n>	136
CALCulate <n>:DELTamarker<m>:MINimum:NEXT</m></n>	136
CALCulate <n>:DELTamarker<m>:MINimum[:PEAK]</m></n>	136
CALCulate <n>:DELTamarker<m>:MINimum:RIGHt</m></n>	

#### CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MAXimum:LEFT

This command moves a delta marker to the next higher value.

The search includes only measurement values to the left of the current marker position.

Usage: Event

Manual control: See "Search Mode for Next Peak" on page 63

#### CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MAXimum:NEXT

This command moves a marker to the next higher value.

Usage: Event

Manual control: See "Search Mode for Next Peak" on page 63

See "Search Next Peak" on page 65

#### CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MAXimum[:PEAK]

This command moves a delta marker to the highest level.

If the marker hasn't been active yet, the command first activates the marker.

Usage: Event

Manual control: See "Peak Search" on page 65

#### 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.

Usage: Event

Manual control: See "Search Mode for Next Peak" on page 63

#### 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.

Usage: Event

Manual control: See "Search Mode for Next Peak" on page 63

#### CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MINimum:NEXT

This command moves a marker to the next higher minimum value.

Usage: Event

Manual control: See "Search Mode for Next Peak" on page 63

See "Search Next Minimum" on page 65

#### CALCulate<n>:DELTamarker<m>:MINimum[:PEAK]

This command moves a delta marker to the minimum level.

If the marker hasn't been active yet, the command first activates the marker.

Usage: Event

Manual control: See "Search Minimum" on page 65

#### 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.

Usage: Event

Manual control: See "Search Mode for Next Peak" on page 63

#### 11.8.5 Zooming into the Display

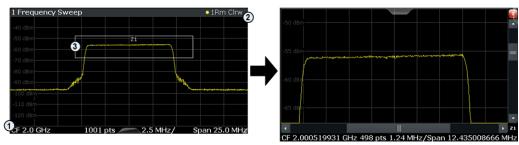
#### 11.8.5.1 Using the Single Zoom

DISPlay[:WINDow <n>]:ZOOM:AREA</n>	
DISPlay[:WINDow <n>]:ZOOM:STATe</n>	

#### DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:ZOOM:AREA <x1>,<y1>,<x2>,<y2>

This command defines the zoom area.

To define a zoom area, you first have to turn the zoom on.



1 = origin of coordinate system (x1 = 0, y1 = 0)

2 = end point of system (x2 = 100, y2 = 100)

3 = zoom area (e.g. x1 = 60, y1 = 30, x2 = 80, y2 = 75)

#### Parameters:

<x1>,<y1>, Diagram coordinates in % of the complete diagram that define the

<x2>,<y2> zoom area.

The lower left corner is the origin of coordinate system. The upper

right corner is the end point of the system.

Range: 0 to 100 Default unit: PCT

Manual control: See "Single Zoom" on page 66

#### DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:ZOOM:STATe <State>

This command turns the zoom on and off.

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF

\*RST: OFF

Example: DISP:ZOOM ON

Activates the zoom mode.

Manual control: See "Single Zoom" on page 66

See "Restore Original Display" on page 67

See "Deactivating Zoom (Selection mode)" on page 67

#### 11.8.5.2 Using the Multiple Zoom

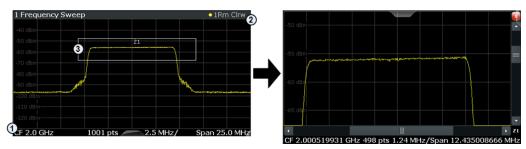
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#### DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:ZOOM:MULTiple<zoom>:AREA <x1>,<y1>,<x2>,<y2>

This command defines the zoom area for a multiple zoom.

To define a zoom area, you first have to turn the zoom on.

Commands for Compatibility



1 = origin of coordinate system (x1 = 0, y1 = 0)

2 = end point of system (x2 = 100, y2 = 100)

3 = zoom area (e.g. x1 = 60, y1 = 30, x2 = 80, y2 = 75)

#### Suffix:

<zoom> 1...4

Selects the zoom window.

#### Parameters:

<x1>,<y1>, Diagram coordinates in % of the complete diagram that define the

<x2>,<y2> zoom area.

The lower left corner is the origin of coordinate system. The upper

right corner is the end point of the system.

Range: 0 to 100 Default unit: PCT

Manual control: See "Multiple Zoom" on page 66

#### DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:ZOOM:MULTiple<zoom>:STATe <State>

This command turns the mulliple zoom on and off.

#### Suffix:

<zoom> 1...4

Selects the zoom window.

If you turn off one of the zoom windows, all subsequent zoom win-

dows move up one position.

#### Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF

\*RST: OFF

Manual control: See "Multiple Zoom" on page 66

See "Restore Original Display" on page 67

See "Deactivating Zoom (Selection mode)" on page 67

# 11.9 Commands for Compatibility

The following commands are provided for compatibility to other signal analyzers only. For new remote control programs use the specified alternative commands.

Commands for Compatibility

#### DISPlay[:WINDow<n>]:TYPE <ResultType>

This command selects the results displayed in a measurement window.

Note that this command is maintained for compatibility reasons only. Use the LAYout commands for new remote control programs (see chapter 11.5.2, "Working with Windows in the Display", on page 108).

#### Parameters:

<ResultType>

Table 11-4: <WindowType> parameter values for Multi-Carrier Group Delay (K17) mode

Parameter value	Window type
GAIN	Gain
GDELay Group Delay	
MAGNitude	Magnitude (Measurement data)
MTABle	Marker table
PHASe Phase (Measurement data)	
RMAGnitude	Magnitude (Reference data)
RPHase	Phase vs frequency (Reference data)

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# 12.1 Formats for Returned Values: ASCII Format and Binary Format

When trace data is retrieved using the TRAC: DATA or TRAC: IQ: DATA command, the data is returned in the format defined using the FORMat[:DATA]. The possible formats are described here.

- ASCII Format (FORMat ASCII):
   The data is stored as a list of comma separated values (CSV) of the measured values in floating point format.
- Binary Format (FORMat REAL,32):
   The data is stored as binary data (Definite Length Block Data according to IEEE 488.2), each measurement value being formatted in 32 Bit IEEE 754 Floating-Point-Format.

The schema of the result string is as follows:

#41024<value1><value2>...<value n> with

#4 number of digits (= 4 in the example) of the following number of data bytes	
1024	number of following data bytes (= 1024 in the example)
<value> 4-byte floating point value</value>	



Reading out data in binary format is quicker than in ASCII format. Thus, binary format is recommended for large amounts of data.

# 12.2 Reference: ASCII File Export Format

Trace data (both measurement and reference traces) can be exported to a file in ASCII format for further evaluation in other applications

The file consists of the header containing important scaling parameters and a data section containing the trace data.

Generally, the format of this ASCII file can be processed by spreadsheet calculation programs, e.g. MS-Excel. Different language versions of evaluation programs may require a different handling of the decimal point. Thus you can define the decimal separator to be used (decimal point or comma, see "Decimal Separator" on page 48).

Reference: ASCII File Export Format

The data of the file header consist of three columns, each separated by a semicolon: parameter name; numeric value; basic unit. The data section contains the measured data in two columns, which are also separated by a semicolon.

Table 12-1: ASCII file format for trace export

File contents	Description
Header data	
Type;R&S FSW;	Instrument model
Version;1.30;	Firmware version
Date;20.Jan 2012;	Date of data set storage
Mode;MCGD	Channel type
Ref Level;0;	Reference level
Level offset;0;	Reference level offset
Rf Att;10;	Input attenuation
El Att;0;	Electronic attentuation
Center Freq;10000000;Hz	Center frequency
Freq Offset;0;Hz	Frequency offset
Span;10000000;Hz	Frequency range
Carrier Spacing,10000000;Hz	Distance between two carriers
Meas Time;0.00003128125;s	Measurement time
Group Delay;Absolute;	Value type for group delay
Carrier Offset;AUTO;	Auto mode for carrier offset
Carrier Offset;0;Hz	Carrier offset value
Sweep Count;0;	Number of sweeps set
Preamplifier;OFF	Preamplifier status
Window;1 Magnitude;	Window name containing trace
Trace 1:;;	Selected trace
Trace Mode;Clear Write	Display mode of trace: CLR/WRITE,AVERAGE,MAX-HOLD,MINHOLD
x-Axis;Linear;	Scaling of x-axis linear (LIN) or logarithmic (LOG)
Start;95000000;Hz Stop;105000000;Hz	Start/stop value of the display range
x-Unit;Hz;	Unit of x values: Hz with span > 0; s with span = 0; dBm/dB with statistics measurements
y-Axis;Linear;	Scaling of y-axis linear (LIN) or logarithmic (LOG)
Level Range;100;dB	Display range in y direction. Unit: dB with x-axis LOG, % with x-axis LIN

Reference: CSV File Export Format

File contents	Description	
Ref Position;100; %	Position of reference value referred to diagram limits (0 % = lower edge)	
Ref Value;0.0;dBm	Reference value	
y-Unit;dBm;	Unit of y values: dB*/V/A/W depending on the selected unit with y-axis LOG or % with y-axis LIN	
Data section		
Values; 1001;	Number of measurement points	
95000000;-20.5	Measured values: <x value="">, <y value=""></y></x>	
96000000;-20.3		
97000000;-24.2		
;;		

# 12.3 Reference: CSV File Export Format

Measurement results and calibration data can be exported to a file in CSV format for further evaluation in other applications. Note that as opposed to the Export Trace to ASCII File, storing the measurement results in csv format includes all traces in all windows, not just one single trace.

The file consists of the header containing important parameters and a data section containing the measurement data.

Generally, the format of this CSV file can be processed by spreadsheet calculation programs, e.g. MS-Excel. Different language versions of evaluation programs may require a different handling of the decimal point. Thus you can define the decimal separator to be used (decimal point or comma; see "Decimal Separator" on page 48).

The data of the file header consist of three columns; each separated by a semicolon: parameter name; numeric value; basic unit. The data section contains the measured data in two columns, which are also separated by a semicolon.

Table 12-2: CSV file format for calibration data export

File contents	Description
Header data	
Type;R&S FSW-K17 Reference Calibration;	Type of data
Version;1.40;	Firmware version
Date;20.Jan 2012;	Date of data set storage
Mode;MCGD	Channel type
Center Freq;10000000;Hz	Center frequency
Freq Offset;0;Hz	Frequency offset
Span;10000000;Hz	Frequency range

Reference: CSV File Export Format

File contents	Description
Number of Carriers;51;	Number of carriers
Carrier Spacing;10000000;Hz	Distance between two carriers
Meas Time;0.00003128125;s	Measurement time
Sweep Count;0	Sweep count
Trace type;Amplitude Reference Calibration	Data source and result display (Magnitude Reference)
x-Unit;Hz;	Unit of x values
y-Unit;V;	Unit of y values
Data section	
Values; 51;	Number of measurement points
95000000;-20.5	Measured values: <x value="">; <y value=""></y></x>
96000000;-20.3	
97000000;-24.2	
;;	

Table 12-3: CSV file format for measurement data export

File contents	Description
Header data	
Type;R&S FSW;	Instrument model
Version;1.30;	Firmware version
Date;20.Jan 2012;	Date of data set storage
Mode;MCGD;DB1.00	Channel type; database version
Ref Level;0;	Reference level
Level offset;0;	Reference level offset
Rf Att;10;	Input attenuation
El Att;0;	Electronic attentuation
Center Freq;10000000;Hz	Center frequency
Freq Offset;0;Hz	Frequency offset
Span;10000000;Hz	Frequency range
Number of Carriers;51;	Number of carriers
Carrier Spacing;10000000;Hz	Distance between two carriers
Meas Time;0.00003128125;s	Measurement time
Group Delay;Absolute;	Value type for group delay
Carrier Offset;AUTO;	Auto mode for carrier offset
Carrier Offset;0;Hz	Carrier offset value
Sweep Count;0;	Number of sweeps set

Reference: CSV File Export Format

File contents	Description
Preamplifier;OFF	Preamplifier status
Number of windows	Number of windows included in export
Data section for individual window	
Window;1 Magnitude	Name of first window (= result display)
Data section for individual trace	
Trace 1;;	First trace
Trace Mode;Clear Write;	Display mode of trace: CLR/WRITE;AVERAGE;MAX-HOLD;MINHOLD
x-Axis;Linear;	Scaling of x-axis: linear (LIN) or logarithmic (LOG)
Start;95000000;Hz Stop;105000000;Hz	Start/stop value of the display range
x-Unit;Hz;	Unit of x values: Hz with span > 0; s with span = 0; dBm/dB with statistics measurements
y-Axis;Linear;	Scaling of y-axis linear (LIN) or logarithmic (LOG)
Level Range;100;dB	Display range in y direction. Unit: dB with x-axis LOG; % with x-axis LIN
Ref Position;100; %	Position of reference value referred to diagram limits (0 % = lower edge)
Ref Value;0.0;dBm	Reference value
y-Unit;dBm;	Unit of y values: dB*/V/A/W depending on the selected unit with y-axis LOG or % with y-axis LIN
Values; 1001;	Number of measurement points
95000000;-20.5 96000000;-20.3 97000000;-24.2 ;;	Measured values: <x value="">; <y value=""></y></x>
Data section for individual trace	
Trace 2;;	Next trace in same window
Data section for individual window	
Window;2 Phase;	Name of next window
Data section for individual trace	
Trace 1;;	First trace

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