# R&S®SMBV100A Vector Signal Generator Operating Manual





This document describes the R&S®SMBV100A, stock no. 1407.6004K02 and its options.

- R&S®SMBV-B1
- R&S®SMBV-B10
- R&S®SMBV-B50/B51/B55
- R&S®SMBV-B90
- R&S®SMBV-B92
- R&S®SMBV-B103/B106
- R&S®SMBV-K18
- R&S®SMBV-K22/K23
- R&S®SMBV-K61
- R&S®SMBV-K62
- R&S®SMBV-K200

The firmware of the instrument makes use of the operating system LINUX® and other valuable open source software packages. The most important of them together with their corresponding open source license and the verbatim license texts are provided on the user documentation CD-ROM (included in delivery).

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The following abbreviations are used throughout this manual: R&S®SMBV100A is abbreviated as R&S SMBV, R&S®WinIQSIM2 is abbreviated as R&S WinIQSIM2.

### Always read through and comply with the following safety instructions!

All plants and locations of the Rohde & Schwarz group of companies make every effort to keep the safety standards of our products up to date and to offer our customers the highest possible degree of safety. Our products and the auxiliary equipment they require are designed, built and tested in accordance with the safety standards that apply in each case. Compliance with these standards is continuously monitored by our quality assurance system. The product described here has been designed, built and tested in accordance with the attached EC Certificate of Conformity and has left the manufacturer's plant in a condition fully complying with safety standards. To maintain this condition and to ensure safe operation, you must observe all instructions and warnings provided in this manual. If you have any questions regarding these safety instructions, the Rohde & Schwarz group of companies will be happy to answer them.

Furthermore, it is your responsibility to use the product in an appropriate manner. This product is designed for use solely in industrial and laboratory environments or, if expressly permitted, also in the field and must not be used in any way that may cause personal injury or property damage. You are responsible if the product is used for any purpose other than its designated purpose or in disregard of the manufacturer's instructions. The manufacturer shall assume no responsibility for such use of the product.

The product is used for its designated purpose if it is used in accordance with its product documentation and within its performance limits (see data sheet, documentation, the following safety instructions). Using the product requires technical skills and, in some cases, a basic knowledge of English. It is therefore essential that only skilled and specialized staff or thoroughly trained personnel with the required skills be allowed to use the product. If personal safety gear is required for using Rohde & Schwarz products, this will be indicated at the appropriate place in the product documentation. Keep the basic safety instructions and the product documentation in a safe place and pass them on to the subsequent users.

Observing the safety instructions will help prevent personal injury or damage of any kind caused by dangerous situations. Therefore, carefully read through and adhere to the following safety instructions before and when using the product. It is also absolutely essential to observe the additional safety instructions on personal safety, for example, that appear in relevant parts of the product documentation. In these safety instructions, the word "product" refers to all merchandise sold and distributed by the Rohde & Schwarz group of companies, including instruments, systems and all accessories. For product-specific information, see the data sheet and the product documentation.

### Symbols and safety labels

Symbol	Meaning	Symbol	Meaning
	Notice, general danger location  Observe product documentation	- 0	ON/OFF supply voltage
18 kg	Caution when handling heavy equipment		Standby indication
A	Danger of electric shock		Direct current (DC)

Symbol	Meaning	Symbol	Meaning
	Warning! Hot surface	$\sim$	Alternating current (AC)
	Protective conductor terminal	$\sim$	Direct/alternating current (DC/AC)
	Ground		Device fully protected by double (reinforced) insulation
	Ground terminal		EU labeling for batteries and accumulators  For additional information, see section "Waste disposal/Environmental protection", item 1.
	Be careful when handling electrostatic sensitive devices		EU labeling for separate collection of electrical and electronic devices  For additional information, see section "Waste disposal/Environmental protection", item 2.
	Warning! Laser radiation  For additional information, see section "Operation", item 7.		

### Signal words and their meaning

The following signal words are used in the product documentation in order to warn the reader about risks and dangers.



Indicates an imminently hazardous situation which, if not avoided, will result in death or serious injury.



Indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in death or serious injury.



Indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in minor or moderate injury.



Indicates the possibility of incorrect operation which can result in damage to the product.

In the product documentation, the word ATTENTION is used synonymously.

These signal words are in accordance with the standard definition for civil applications in the European Economic Area. Definitions that deviate from the standard definition may also exist in other economic areas or military applications. It is therefore essential to make sure that the signal words described here are always used only in connection with the related product documentation and the related product. The use of signal words in connection with unrelated products or documentation can result in misinterpretation and in personal injury or material damage.

### Operating states and operating positions

The product may be operated only under the operating conditions and in the positions specified by the manufacturer, without the product's ventilation being obstructed. If the manufacturer's specifications are not observed, this can result in electric shock, fire and/or serious personal injury or death. Applicable local or national safety regulations and rules for the prevention of accidents must be observed in all work performed.

- Unless otherwise specified, the following requirements apply to Rohde & Schwarz products: predefined operating position is always with the housing floor facing down, IP protection 2X, use only indoors, max. operating altitude 2000 m above sea level, max. transport altitude 4500 m above sea level. A tolerance of ±10 % shall apply to the nominal voltage and ±5 % to the nominal frequency, overvoltage category 2, pollution severity 2.
- 2. Do not place the product on surfaces, vehicles, cabinets or tables that for reasons of weight or stability are unsuitable for this purpose. Always follow the manufacturer's installation instructions when installing the product and fastening it to objects or structures (e.g. walls and shelves). An installation that is not carried out as described in the product documentation could result in personal injury or even death.
- Do not place the product on heat-generating devices such as radiators or fan heaters. The ambient temperature must not exceed the maximum temperature specified in the product documentation or in the data sheet. Product overheating can cause electric shock, fire and/or serious personal injury or even death.

### **Electrical safety**

If the information on electrical safety is not observed either at all or to the extent necessary, electric shock, fire and/or serious personal injury or death may occur.

- 1. Prior to switching on the product, always ensure that the nominal voltage setting on the product matches the nominal voltage of the AC supply network. If a different voltage is to be set, the power fuse of the product may have to be changed accordingly.
- 2. In the case of products of safety class I with movable power cord and connector, operation is permitted only on sockets with a protective conductor contact and protective conductor.
- 3. Intentionally breaking the protective conductor either in the feed line or in the product itself is not permitted. Doing so can result in the danger of an electric shock from the product. If extension cords or connector strips are implemented, they must be checked on a regular basis to ensure that they are safe to use.
- 4. If there is no power switch for disconnecting the product from the AC supply network, or if the power switch is not suitable for this purpose, use the plug of the connecting cable to disconnect the product from the AC supply network. In such cases, always ensure that the power plug is easily reachable and accessible at all times. For example, if the power plug is the disconnecting device, the length of the connecting cable must not exceed 3 m. Functional or electronic switches are not suitable for providing disconnection from the AC supply network. If products without power switches are integrated into racks or systems, the disconnecting device must be provided at the system level.
- 5. Never use the product if the power cable is damaged. Check the power cables on a regular basis to ensure that they are in proper operating condition. By taking appropriate safety measures and carefully laying the power cable, ensure that the cable cannot be damaged and that no one can be hurt by, for example, tripping over the cable or suffering an electric shock.

- 6. The product may be operated only from TN/TT supply networks fuse-protected with max. 16 A (higher fuse only after consulting with the Rohde & Schwarz group of companies).
- 7. Do not insert the plug into sockets that are dusty or dirty. Insert the plug firmly and all the way into the socket provided for this purpose. Otherwise, sparks that result in fire and/or injuries may occur.
- 8. Do not overload any sockets, extension cords or connector strips; doing so can cause fire or electric shocks.
- 9. For measurements in circuits with voltages  $V_{rms} > 30 \text{ V}$ , suitable measures (e.g. appropriate measuring equipment, fuse protection, current limiting, electrical separation, insulation) should be taken to avoid any hazards.
- 10. Ensure that the connections with information technology equipment, e.g. PCs or other industrial computers, comply with the IEC60950-1/EN60950-1 or IEC61010-1/EN 61010-1 standards that apply in each case.
- 11. Unless expressly permitted, never remove the cover or any part of the housing while the product is in operation. Doing so will expose circuits and components and can lead to injuries, fire or damage to the product.
- 12. If a product is to be permanently installed, the connection between the protective conductor terminal on site and the product's protective conductor must be made first before any other connection is made. The product may be installed and connected only by a licensed electrician.
- 13. For permanently installed equipment without built-in fuses, circuit breakers or similar protective devices, the supply circuit must be fuse-protected in such a way that anyone who has access to the product, as well as the product itself, is adequately protected from injury or damage.
- 14. Use suitable overvoltage protection to ensure that no overvoltage (such as that caused by a bolt of lightning) can reach the product. Otherwise, the person operating the product will be exposed to the danger of an electric shock.
- 15. Any object that is not designed to be placed in the openings of the housing must not be used for this purpose. Doing so can cause short circuits inside the product and/or electric shocks, fire or injuries.
- 16. Unless specified otherwise, products are not liquid-proof (see also section "Operating states and operating positions", item 1). Therefore, the equipment must be protected against penetration by liquids. If the necessary precautions are not taken, the user may suffer electric shock or the product itself may be damaged, which can also lead to personal injury.
- 17. Never use the product under conditions in which condensation has formed or can form in or on the product, e.g. if the product has been moved from a cold to a warm environment. Penetration by water increases the risk of electric shock.
- 18. Prior to cleaning the product, disconnect it completely from the power supply (e.g. AC supply network or battery). Use a soft, non-linting cloth to clean the product. Never use chemical cleaning agents such as alcohol, acetone or diluents for cellulose lacquers.

### Operation

1. Operating the products requires special training and intense concentration. Make sure that persons who use the products are physically, mentally and emotionally fit enough to do so; otherwise, injuries or material damage may occur. It is the responsibility of the employer/operator to select suitable personnel for operating the products.

- 2. Before you move or transport the product, read and observe the section titled "Transport".
- 3. As with all industrially manufactured goods, the use of substances that induce an allergic reaction (allergens) such as nickel cannot be generally excluded. If you develop an allergic reaction (such as a skin rash, frequent sneezing, red eyes or respiratory difficulties) when using a Rohde & Schwarz product, consult a physician immediately to determine the cause and to prevent health problems or stress.
- 4. Before you start processing the product mechanically and/or thermally, or before you take it apart, be sure to read and pay special attention to the section titled "Waste disposal/Environmental protection", item 1.
- 5. Depending on the function, certain products such as RF radio equipment can produce an elevated level of electromagnetic radiation. Considering that unborn babies require increased protection, pregnant women must be protected by appropriate measures. Persons with pacemakers may also be exposed to risks from electromagnetic radiation. The employer/operator must evaluate workplaces where there is a special risk of exposure to radiation and, if necessary, take measures to avert the potential danger.
- 6. Should a fire occur, the product may release hazardous substances (gases, fluids, etc.) that can cause health problems. Therefore, suitable measures must be taken, e.g. protective masks and protective clothing must be worn.
- 7. Laser products are given warning labels that are standardized according to their laser class. Lasers can cause biological harm due to the properties of their radiation and due to their extremely concentrated electromagnetic power. If a laser product (e.g. a CD/DVD drive) is integrated into a Rohde & Schwarz product, absolutely no other settings or functions may be used as described in the product documentation. The objective is to prevent personal injury (e.g. due to laser beams).
- 8. EMC classes (in line with CISPR 11)
  Class A: Equipment suitable for use in all environments except residential environments and environments that are directly connected to a low-voltage supply network that supplies residential buildings.
  - Class B: Equipment suitable for use in residential environments and environments that are directly connected to a low-voltage supply network that supplies residential buildings.

### Repair and service

- 1. The product may be opened only by authorized, specially trained personnel. Before any work is performed on the product or before the product is opened, it must be disconnected from the AC supply network. Otherwise, personnel will be exposed to the risk of an electric shock.
- 2. Adjustments, replacement of parts, maintenance and repair may be performed only by electrical experts authorized by Rohde & Schwarz. Only original parts may be used for replacing parts relevant to safety (e.g. power switches, power transformers, fuses). A safety test must always be performed after parts relevant to safety have been replaced (visual inspection, protective conductor test, insulation resistance measurement, leakage current measurement, functional test). This helps ensure the continued safety of the product.

### Batteries and rechargeable batteries/cells

If the information regarding batteries and rechargeable batteries/cells is not observed either at all or to the extent necessary, product users may be exposed to the risk of explosions, fire and/or serious personal injury, and, in some cases, death. Batteries and rechargeable batteries with alkaline electrolytes (e.g. lithium cells) must be handled in accordance with the EN 62133 standard.

- 1. Cells must not be taken apart or crushed.
- 2. Cells or batteries must not be exposed to heat or fire. Storage in direct sunlight must be avoided. Keep cells and batteries clean and dry. Clean soiled connectors using a dry, clean cloth.
- 3. Cells or batteries must not be short-circuited. Cells or batteries must not be stored in a box or in a drawer where they can short-circuit each other, or where they can be short-circuited by other conductive materials. Cells and batteries must not be removed from their original packaging until they are ready to be used.
- 4. Cells and batteries must not be exposed to any mechanical shocks that are stronger than permitted.
- 5. If a cell develops a leak, the fluid must not be allowed to come into contact with the skin or eyes. If contact occurs, wash the affected area with plenty of water and seek medical aid.
- 6. Improperly replacing or charging cells or batteries that contain alkaline electrolytes (e.g. lithium cells) can cause explosions. Replace cells or batteries only with the matching Rohde & Schwarz type (see parts list) in order to ensure the safety of the product.
- 7. Cells and batteries must be recycled and kept separate from residual waste. Rechargeable batteries and normal batteries that contain lead, mercury or cadmium are hazardous waste. Observe the national regulations regarding waste disposal and recycling.

### **Transport**

- 1. The product may be very heavy. Therefore, the product must be handled with care. In some cases, the user may require a suitable means of lifting or moving the product (e.g. with a lift-truck) to avoid back or other physical injuries.
- 2. Handles on the products are designed exclusively to enable personnel to transport the product. It is therefore not permissible to use handles to fasten the product to or on transport equipment such as cranes, fork lifts, wagons, etc. The user is responsible for securely fastening the products to or on the means of transport or lifting. Observe the safety regulations of the manufacturer of the means of transport or lifting. Noncompliance can result in personal injury or material damage.
- 3. If you use the product in a vehicle, it is the sole responsibility of the driver to drive the vehicle safely and properly. The manufacturer assumes no responsibility for accidents or collisions. Never use the product in a moving vehicle if doing so could distract the driver of the vehicle. Adequately secure the product in the vehicle to prevent injuries or other damage in the event of an accident.

### Waste disposal/Environmental protection

 Specially marked equipment has a battery or accumulator that must not be disposed of with unsorted municipal waste, but must be collected separately. It may only be disposed of at a suitable collection point or via a Rohde & Schwarz customer service center.

- 2. Waste electrical and electronic equipment must not be disposed of with unsorted municipal waste, but must be collected separately.
  - Rohde & Schwarz GmbH & Co. KG has developed a disposal concept and takes full responsibility for take-back obligations and disposal obligations for manufacturers within the EU. Contact your Rohde & Schwarz customer service center for environmentally responsible disposal of the product.
- 3. If products or their components are mechanically and/or thermally processed in a manner that goes beyond their intended use, hazardous substances (heavy-metal dust such as lead, beryllium, nickel) may be released. For this reason, the product may only be disassembled by specially trained personnel. Improper disassembly may be hazardous to your health. National waste disposal regulations must be observed.
- 4. If handling the product releases hazardous substances or fuels that must be disposed of in a special way, e.g. coolants or engine oils that must be replenished regularly, the safety instructions of the manufacturer of the hazardous substances or fuels and the applicable regional waste disposal regulations must be observed. Also observe the relevant safety instructions in the product documentation. The improper disposal of hazardous substances or fuels can cause health problems and lead to environmental damage.

For additional information about environmental protection, visit the Rohde & Schwarz website.

## Instrucciones de seguridad elementales

### ¡Es imprescindible leer y cumplir las siguientes instrucciones e informaciones de seguridad!

El principio del grupo de empresas Rohde & Schwarz consiste en tener nuestros productos siempre al día con los estándares de seguridad y de ofrecer a nuestros clientes el máximo grado de seguridad. Nuestros productos y todos los equipos adicionales son siempre fabricados y examinados según las normas de seguridad vigentes. Nuestro sistema de garantía de calidad controla constantemente que sean cumplidas estas normas. El presente producto ha sido fabricado y examinado según el certificado de conformidad adjunto de la UE y ha salido de nuestra planta en estado impecable según los estándares técnicos de seguridad. Para poder preservar este estado y garantizar un funcionamiento libre de peligros, el usuario deberá atenerse a todas las indicaciones, informaciones de seguridad y notas de alerta. El grupo de empresas Rohde & Schwarz está siempre a su disposición en caso de que tengan preguntas referentes a estas informaciones de seguridad.

Además queda en la responsabilidad del usuario utilizar el producto en la forma debida. Este producto está destinado exclusivamente al uso en la industria y el laboratorio o, si ha sido expresamente autorizado, para aplicaciones de campo y de ninguna manera deberá ser utilizado de modo que alguna persona/cosa pueda sufrir daño. El uso del producto fuera de sus fines definidos o sin tener en cuenta las instrucciones del fabricante queda en la responsabilidad del usuario. El fabricante no se hace en ninguna forma responsable de consecuencias a causa del mal uso del producto.

Se parte del uso correcto del producto para los fines definidos si el producto es utilizado conforme a las indicaciones de la correspondiente documentación del producto y dentro del margen de rendimiento definido (ver hoja de datos, documentación, informaciones de seguridad que siguen). El uso del producto hace necesarios conocimientos técnicos y ciertos conocimientos del idioma inglés. Por eso se debe tener en cuenta que el producto solo pueda ser operado por personal especializado o personas instruidas en profundidad con las capacidades correspondientes. Si fuera necesaria indumentaria de seguridad para el uso de productos de Rohde & Schwarz, encontraría la información debida en la documentación del producto en el capítulo correspondiente. Guarde bien las informaciones de seguridad elementales, así como la documentación del producto, y entréguelas a usuarios posteriores.

Tener en cuenta las informaciones de seguridad sirve para evitar en lo posible lesiones o daños por peligros de toda clase. Por eso es imprescindible leer detalladamente y comprender por completo las siguientes informaciones de seguridad antes de usar el producto, y respetarlas durante el uso del producto. Deberán tenerse en cuenta todas las demás informaciones de seguridad, como p. ej. las referentes a la protección de personas, que encontrarán en el capítulo correspondiente de la documentación del producto y que también son de obligado cumplimiento. En las presentes informaciones de seguridad se recogen todos los objetos que distribuye el grupo de empresas Rohde & Schwarz bajo la denominación de "producto", entre ellos también aparatos, instalaciones así como toda clase de accesorios. Los datos específicos del producto figuran en la hoja de datos y en la documentación del producto.

### Símbolos y definiciones de seguridad

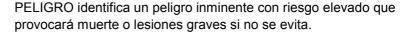
Símbolo	Significado	Símbolo	Significado
	Aviso: punto de peligro general  Observar la documentación del producto	10	Tensión de alimentación de PUESTA EN MARCHA / PARADA
18 kg	Atención en el manejo de dispositivos de peso elevado	()	Indicación de estado de espera (standby)
A	Peligro de choque eléctrico	===	Corriente continua (DC)
	Advertencia: superficie caliente	$\sim$	Corriente alterna (AC)
	Conexión a conductor de protección	$\sim$	Corriente continua / Corriente alterna (DC/AC)
=	Conexión a tierra		El aparato está protegido en su totalidad por un aislamiento doble (reforzado)
	Conexión a masa	N. C.	Distintivo de la UE para baterías y acumuladores  Más información en la sección
		/ <b></b>	"Eliminación/protección del medio ambiente", punto 1.

Símbolo	Significado	Símbolo	Significado
	Aviso: Cuidado en el manejo de dispositivos sensibles a la electrostática (ESD)		Distintivo de la UE para la eliminación por separado de dispositivos eléctricos y electrónicos  Más información en la sección "Eliminación/protección del medio ambiente", punto 2.
	Advertencia: rayo láser		
<b>一</b>	Más información en la sección "Funcionamiento", punto 7.		

### Palabras de señal y su significado

En la documentación del producto se utilizan las siguientes palabras de señal con el fin de advertir contra riesgos y peligros.







ADVERTENCIA identifica un posible peligro con riesgo medio de provocar muerte o lesiones (graves) si no se evita.



ATENCIÓN identifica un peligro con riesgo reducido de provocar lesiones leves o moderadas si no se evita.



AVISO indica la posibilidad de utilizar mal el producto y, como consecuencia, dañarlo.

En la documentación del producto se emplea de forma sinónima el término CUIDADO.

Las palabras de señal corresponden a la definición habitual para aplicaciones civiles en el área económica europea. Pueden existir definiciones diferentes a esta definición en otras áreas económicas o en aplicaciones militares. Por eso se deberá tener en cuenta que las palabras de señal aquí descritas sean utilizadas siempre solamente en combinación con la correspondiente documentación del producto y solamente en combinación con el producto correspondiente. La utilización de las palabras de señal en combinación con productos o documentaciones que no les correspondan puede llevar a interpretaciones equivocadas y tener por consecuencia daños en personas u objetos.

### Estados operativos y posiciones de funcionamiento

El producto solamente debe ser utilizado según lo indicado por el fabricante respecto a los estados operativos y posiciones de funcionamiento sin que se obstruya la ventilación. Si no se siguen las indicaciones del fabricante, pueden producirse choques eléctricos, incendios y/o lesiones graves con posible consecuencia de muerte. En todos los trabajos deberán ser tenidas en cuenta las normas nacionales y locales de seguridad del trabajo y de prevención de accidentes.

- 1. Si no se convino de otra manera, es para los productos Rohde & Schwarz válido lo que sigue: como posición de funcionamiento se define por principio la posición con el suelo de la caja para abajo, modo de protección IP 2X, uso solamente en estancias interiores, utilización hasta 2000 m sobre el nivel del mar, transporte hasta 4500 m sobre el nivel del mar. Se aplicará una tolerancia de ±10 % sobre el voltaje nominal y de ±5 % sobre la frecuencia nominal. Categoría de sobrecarga eléctrica 2, índice de suciedad 2.
- 2. No sitúe el producto encima de superficies, vehículos, estantes o mesas, que por sus características de peso o de estabilidad no sean aptos para él. Siga siempre las instrucciones de instalación del fabricante cuando instale y asegure el producto en objetos o estructuras (p. ej. paredes y estantes). Si se realiza la instalación de modo distinto al indicado en la documentación del producto, se pueden causar lesiones o, en determinadas circunstancias, incluso la muerte.
- 3. No ponga el producto sobre aparatos que generen calor (p. ej. radiadores o calefactores). La temperatura ambiente no debe superar la temperatura máxima especificada en la documentación del producto o en la hoja de datos. En caso de sobrecalentamiento del producto, pueden producirse choques eléctricos, incendios y/o lesiones graves con posible consecuencia de muerte.

### Seguridad eléctrica

Si no se siguen (o se siguen de modo insuficiente) las indicaciones del fabricante en cuanto a seguridad eléctrica, pueden producirse choques eléctricos, incendios y/o lesiones graves con posible consecuencia de muerte.

- Antes de la puesta en marcha del producto se deberá comprobar siempre que la tensión preseleccionada en el producto coincida con la de la red de alimentación eléctrica. Si es necesario modificar el ajuste de tensión, también se deberán cambiar en caso dado los fusibles correspondientes del producto.
- Los productos de la clase de protección I con alimentación móvil y enchufe individual solamente podrán enchufarse a tomas de corriente con contacto de seguridad y con conductor de protección conectado.
- 3. Queda prohibida la interrupción intencionada del conductor de protección, tanto en la toma de corriente como en el mismo producto. La interrupción puede tener como consecuencia el riesgo de que el producto sea fuente de choques eléctricos. Si se utilizan cables alargadores o regletas de enchufe, deberá garantizarse la realización de un examen regular de los mismos en cuanto a su estado técnico de seguridad.
- 4. Si el producto no está equipado con un interruptor para desconectarlo de la red, o bien si el interruptor existente no resulta apropiado para la desconexión de la red, el enchufe del cable de conexión se deberá considerar como un dispositivo de desconexión.
  El dispositivo de desconexión se debe poder alcanzar fácilmente y debe estar siempre bien accesible. Si, p. ej., el enchufe de conexión a la red es el dispositivo de desconexión, la longitud del cable de conexión no debe superar 3 m).
  Los interruptores selectores o electrónicos no son aptos para el corte de la red eléctrica. Si se integran productos sin interruptor en bastidores o instalaciones, se deberá colocar el interruptor en el nivel de la instalación.
- 5. No utilice nunca el producto si está dañado el cable de conexión a red. Compruebe regularmente el correcto estado de los cables de conexión a red. Asegúrese, mediante las medidas de protección y de instalación adecuadas, de que el cable de conexión a red no pueda ser dañado o de que nadie pueda ser dañado por él, p. ej. al tropezar o por un choque eléctrico.

- Solamente está permitido el funcionamiento en redes de alimentación TN/TT aseguradas con fusibles de 16 A como máximo (utilización de fusibles de mayor amperaje solo previa consulta con el grupo de empresas Rohde & Schwarz).
- 7. Nunca conecte el enchufe en tomas de corriente sucias o llenas de polvo. Introduzca el enchufe por completo y fuertemente en la toma de corriente. La no observación de estas medidas puede provocar chispas, fuego y/o lesiones.
- 8. No sobrecargue las tomas de corriente, los cables alargadores o las regletas de enchufe ya que esto podría causar fuego o choques eléctricos.
- En las mediciones en circuitos de corriente con una tensión U<sub>eff</sub> > 30 V se deberán tomar las medidas apropiadas para impedir cualquier peligro (p. ej. medios de medición adecuados, seguros, limitación de tensión, corte protector, aislamiento etc.).
- Para la conexión con dispositivos informáticos como un PC o un ordenador industrial, debe comprobarse que éstos cumplan los estándares IEC60950-1/EN60950-1 o IEC61010-1/EN 61010-1 válidos en cada caso.
- 11. A menos que esté permitido expresamente, no retire nunca la tapa ni componentes de la carcasa mientras el producto esté en servicio. Esto pone a descubierto los cables y componentes eléctricos y puede causar lesiones, fuego o daños en el producto.
- 12. Si un producto se instala en un lugar fijo, se deberá primero conectar el conductor de protección fijo con el conductor de protección del producto antes de hacer cualquier otra conexión. La instalación y la conexión deberán ser efectuadas por un electricista especializado.
- 13. En el caso de dispositivos fijos que no estén provistos de fusibles, interruptor automático ni otros mecanismos de seguridad similares, el circuito de alimentación debe estar protegido de modo que todas las personas que puedan acceder al producto, así como el producto mismo, estén a salvo de posibles daños.
- 14. Todo producto debe estar protegido contra sobretensión (debida p. ej. a una caída del rayo) mediante los correspondientes sistemas de protección. Si no, el personal que lo utilice quedará expuesto al peligro de choque eléctrico.
- 15. No debe introducirse en los orificios de la caja del aparato ningún objeto que no esté destinado a ello. Esto puede producir cortocircuitos en el producto y/o puede causar choques eléctricos, fuego o lesiones.
- 16. Salvo indicación contraria, los productos no están impermeabilizados (ver también el capítulo "Estados operativos y posiciones de funcionamiento", punto 1). Por eso es necesario tomar las medidas necesarias para evitar la entrada de líquidos. En caso contrario, existe peligro de choque eléctrico para el usuario o de daños en el producto, que también pueden redundar en peligro para las personas.
- 17. No utilice el producto en condiciones en las que pueda producirse o ya se hayan producido condensaciones sobre el producto o en el interior de éste, como p. ej. al desplazarlo de un lugar frío a otro caliente. La entrada de agua aumenta el riesgo de choque eléctrico.
- 18. Antes de la limpieza, desconecte por completo el producto de la alimentación de tensión (p. ej. red de alimentación o batería). Realice la limpieza de los aparatos con un paño suave, que no se deshilache. No utilice bajo ningún concepto productos de limpieza químicos como alcohol, acetona o diluyentes para lacas nitrocelulósicas.

### **Funcionamiento**

- El uso del producto requiere instrucciones especiales y una alta concentración durante el manejo.
  Debe asegurarse que las personas que manejen el producto estén a la altura de los requerimientos
  necesarios en cuanto a aptitudes físicas, psíquicas y emocionales, ya que de otra manera no se
  pueden excluir lesiones o daños de objetos. El empresario u operador es responsable de seleccionar
  el personal usuario apto para el manejo del producto.
- 2. Antes de desplazar o transportar el producto, lea y tenga en cuenta el capítulo "Transporte".
- 3. Como con todo producto de fabricación industrial no puede quedar excluida en general la posibilidad de que se produzcan alergias provocadas por algunos materiales empleados —los llamados alérgenos (p. ej. el níquel)—. Si durante el manejo de productos Rohde & Schwarz se producen reacciones alérgicas, como p. ej. irritaciones cutáneas, estornudos continuos, enrojecimiento de la conjuntiva o dificultades respiratorias, debe avisarse inmediatamente a un médico para investigar las causas y evitar cualquier molestia o daño a la salud.
- 4. Antes de la manipulación mecánica y/o térmica o el desmontaje del producto, debe tenerse en cuenta imprescindiblemente el capítulo "Eliminación/protección del medio ambiente", punto 1.
- 5. Ciertos productos, como p. ej. las instalaciones de radiocomunicación RF, pueden a causa de su función natural, emitir una radiación electromagnética aumentada. Deben tomarse todas las medidas necesarias para la protección de las mujeres embarazadas. También las personas con marcapasos pueden correr peligro a causa de la radiación electromagnética. El empresario/operador tiene la obligación de evaluar y señalizar las áreas de trabajo en las que exista un riesgo elevado de exposición a radiaciones.
- 6. Tenga en cuenta que en caso de incendio pueden desprenderse del producto sustancias tóxicas (gases, líquidos etc.) que pueden generar daños a la salud. Por eso, en caso de incendio deben usarse medidas adecuadas, como p. ej. máscaras antigás e indumentaria de protección.
- 7. Los productos con láser están provistos de indicaciones de advertencia normalizadas en función de la clase de láser del que se trate. Los rayos láser pueden provocar daños de tipo biológico a causa de las propiedades de su radiación y debido a su concentración extrema de potencia electromagnética. En caso de que un producto Rohde & Schwarz contenga un producto láser (p. ej. un lector de CD/DVD), no debe usarse ninguna otra configuración o función aparte de las descritas en la documentación del producto, a fin de evitar lesiones (p. ej. debidas a irradiación láser).
- 8. Clases CEM (según CISPR 11)
  - Clase A: dispositivo apropiado para el uso en cualquier zona excepto en áreas residenciales y en aquellas zonas que se encuentran conectadas a una red de suministro de baja tensión que alimenta un edificio de viviendas.
  - Clase B: dispositivo apropiado para el uso en áreas residenciales y en aquellas zonas que se encuentran conectadas a una red de suministro de baja tensión que alimenta un edificio de viviendas.

### Reparación y mantenimiento

1. El producto solamente debe ser abierto por personal especializado con autorización para ello. Antes de manipular el producto o abrirlo, es obligatorio desconectarlo de la tensión de alimentación, para evitar toda posibilidad de choque eléctrico.

2. El ajuste, el cambio de partes, el mantenimiento y la reparación deberán ser efectuadas solamente por electricistas autorizados por Rohde & Schwarz. Si se reponen partes con importancia para los aspectos de seguridad (p. ej. el enchufe, los transformadores o los fusibles), solamente podrán ser sustituidos por partes originales. Después de cada cambio de partes relevantes para la seguridad deberá realizarse un control de seguridad (control a primera vista, control del conductor de protección, medición de resistencia de aislamiento, medición de la corriente de fuga, control de funcionamiento). Con esto queda garantizada la seguridad del producto.

### Baterías y acumuladores o celdas

Si no se siguen (o se siguen de modo insuficiente) las indicaciones en cuanto a las baterías y acumuladores o celdas, pueden producirse explosiones, incendios y/o lesiones graves con posible consecuencia de muerte. El manejo de baterías y acumuladores con electrolitos alcalinos (p. ej. celdas de litio) debe seguir el estándar EN 62133.

- 1. No deben desmontarse, abrirse ni triturarse las celdas.
- 2. Las celdas o baterías no deben someterse a calor ni fuego. Debe evitarse el almacenamiento a la luz directa del sol. Las celdas y baterías deben mantenerse limpias y secas. Limpiar las conexiones sucias con un paño seco y limpio.
- 3. Las celdas o baterías no deben cortocircuitarse. Es peligroso almacenar las celdas o baterías en estuches o cajones en cuyo interior puedan cortocircuitarse por contacto recíproco o por contacto con otros materiales conductores. No deben extraerse las celdas o baterías de sus embalajes originales hasta el momento en que vayan a utilizarse.
- 4. Las celdas o baterías no deben someterse a impactos mecánicos fuertes indebidos.
- 5. En caso de falta de estanqueidad de una celda, el líquido vertido no debe entrar en contacto con la piel ni los ojos. Si se produce contacto, lavar con agua abundante la zona afectada y avisar a un médico.
- 6. En caso de cambio o recarga inadecuados, las celdas o baterías que contienen electrolitos alcalinos (p. ej. las celdas de litio) pueden explotar. Para garantizar la seguridad del producto, las celdas o baterías solo deben ser sustituidas por el tipo Rohde & Schwarz correspondiente (ver lista de recambios).
- 7. Las baterías y celdas deben reciclarse y no deben tirarse a la basura doméstica. Las baterías o acumuladores que contienen plomo, mercurio o cadmio deben tratarse como residuos especiales. Respete en esta relación las normas nacionales de eliminación y reciclaje.

### **Transporte**

- 1. El producto puede tener un peso elevado. Por eso es necesario desplazarlo o transportarlo con precaución y, si es necesario, usando un sistema de elevación adecuado (p. ej. una carretilla elevadora), a fin de evitar lesiones en la espalda u otros daños personales.
- 2. Las asas instaladas en los productos sirven solamente de ayuda para el transporte del producto por personas. Por eso no está permitido utilizar las asas para la sujeción en o sobre medios de transporte como p. ej. grúas, carretillas elevadoras de horquilla, carros etc. Es responsabilidad suya fijar los productos de manera segura a los medios de transporte o elevación. Para evitar daños personales o daños en el producto, siga las instrucciones de seguridad del fabricante del medio de transporte o elevación utilizado.

3. Si se utiliza el producto dentro de un vehículo, recae de manera exclusiva en el conductor la responsabilidad de conducir el vehículo de manera segura y adecuada. El fabricante no asumirá ninguna responsabilidad por accidentes o colisiones. No utilice nunca el producto dentro de un vehículo en movimiento si esto pudiera distraer al conductor. Asegure el producto dentro del vehículo debidamente para evitar, en caso de un accidente, lesiones u otra clase de daños.

### Eliminación/protección del medio ambiente

- Los dispositivos marcados contienen una batería o un acumulador que no se debe desechar con los residuos domésticos sin clasificar, sino que debe ser recogido por separado. La eliminación se debe efectuar exclusivamente a través de un punto de recogida apropiado o del servicio de atención al cliente de Rohde & Schwarz.
- 2. Los dispositivos eléctricos usados no se deben desechar con los residuos domésticos sin clasificar, sino que deben ser recogidos por separado. Rohde & Schwarz GmbH & Co.KG ha elaborado un concepto de eliminación de residuos y asume plenamente los deberes de recogida y eliminación para los fabricantes dentro de la UE. Para desechar el producto de manera respetuosa con el medio ambiente, diríjase a su servicio de atención al cliente de Rohde & Schwarz.
- 3. Si se trabaja de manera mecánica y/o térmica cualquier producto o componente más allá del funcionamiento previsto, pueden liberarse sustancias peligrosas (polvos con contenido de metales pesados como p. ej. plomo, berilio o níquel). Por eso el producto solo debe ser desmontado por personal especializado con formación adecuada. Un desmontaje inadecuado puede ocasionar daños para la salud. Se deben tener en cuenta las directivas nacionales referentes a la eliminación de residuos.
- 4. En caso de que durante el trato del producto se formen sustancias peligrosas o combustibles que deban tratarse como residuos especiales (p. ej. refrigerantes o aceites de motor con intervalos de cambio definidos), deben tenerse en cuenta las indicaciones de seguridad del fabricante de dichas sustancias y las normas regionales de eliminación de residuos. Tenga en cuenta también en caso necesario las indicaciones de seguridad especiales contenidas en la documentación del producto. La eliminación incorrecta de sustancias peligrosas o combustibles puede causar daños a la salud o daños al medio ambiente.

Se puede encontrar más información sobre la protección del medio ambiente en la página web de Rohde & Schwarz.

# Qualitätszertifikat

# Certificate of quality Certificat de qualité

Certified Quality System **ISO** 9001

Certified Environmental System ISO 14001

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### Der Umwelt verpflichtet

- I Energie-effiziente, RoHS-konforme Produkte
- Kontinuierliche Weiterentwicklung nachhaltiger Umweltkonzepte
- I ISO 14001-zertifiziertes Umweltmanagementsystem

### Dear Customer,

You have decided to buy a Rohde & Schwarz product. You are thus assured of receiving a product that is manufactured using the most modern methods available. This product was developed, manufactured and tested in compliance with our quality management system standards. The Rohde & Schwarz quality management system is certified according to standards such as ISO 9001 and ISO 14001.

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- ISO 14001-certified environmental management system

### Cher client,

Vous avez choisi d'acheter un produit Rohde & Schwarz. Vous disposez donc d'un produit fabriqué d'après les méthodes les plus avancées. Le développement, la fabrication et les tests respectent nos normes de gestion qualité. Le système de gestion qualité de Rohde & Schwarz a été homologué, entre autres, conformément aux normes ISO 9001 et ISO 14001.

### Engagement écologique

- Produits à efficience énergétique
- Amélioration continue de la durabilité environnementale
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- relating to electrical equipment for use within defined voltage limits (2006/95/EC)
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EN 61010-1: 2001 EN 61326-1: 2006 EN 61326-2-1: 2006

EN 55011: 2007 + A2: 2007, class B

EN 61000-3-2: 2006

EN 61000-3-3: 1995 + A1: 2001 + A2: 2005

For the assessment of electromagnetic compatibility, the limits of radio interference for Class B equipment as well as the immunity to interference for operation in industry have been used as a basis.

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**Documentation Overview** 

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### 1.1 Documentation Overview

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

- Online Help system on the instrument,
- "Quick Start Guide" printed manual,
- Documentation CD-ROM with:
  - Online help system (\*.chm) as a standalone help,
  - Operating Manuals for base unit and options,
  - Service Manual,
  - Data sheet and specifications,
  - Links to useful sites on the R&S internet.

### **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. The online help contains help on operating the R&S SMBV and all available options.

### **Quick Start Guide**

This manual is delivered with the instrument in printed form and in PDF format on the Documentation CD-ROM. It provides the information needed to set up and start working with the instrument. Basic operations and an example of setup are described. The manual includes also general information, e.g., Safety Instructions.

### **Operating Manuals**

The Operating Manuals are a supplement to the Quick Start Guide. Operating Manuals are provided for the base unit and each additional (software) option.

These manuals are available in PDF format - in printable form - on the Documentation CD-ROM delivered with the instrument. In the Operating Manual for the base unit, all instrument functions are described in detail. Furthermore, it provides an introduction to remote control and a complete description of the remote control commands with programming examples. Information on maintenance, instrument interfaces and error messages is also given.

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

The following Operating Manuals are available for the R&S SMBV:

Digital Standard GSM/EDGE, incl. EDGE+

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- Digital Standard 3GPP FDD, 3GPP FDD enhanced MS/BS tests incl. HSDPA, 3GPP FDD HSUPA, 3GPP FDD HSPA+
- Digital Standard CDMA2000<sup>®</sup> incl. 1xEV-DV
- Digital Standard 1xEV-DO Rev. A
- Digital Standard IEEE 802.11 (a/b/c) WLAN
- Digital Standard IEEE 802.16 WiMAX
- Digital Standard TD-SCDMA, inclusive TD-SCDMA enhanced features
- Digital Standard DVB-H
- Digital Standard DAB / T-DMB
- Digital Standard IEEE 802.11n WLAN-N
- Digital Standard EUTRA/LTE
- Digital Standard XM Radio
- FM Stereo / RDS
- Digital Standard Sirius Radio
- Digital Standard TETRA Release 2
- Digital Standard Bluetooth®Enhanced Data Rate
- HD Radio<sup>TM</sup> Test Waveforms

These manuals can also be orderd in printed form (see ordering information in the data sheet).

### **Service Manual**

This Service Manual is available in PDF format - in printable form - on the Documentation CD-ROM delivered with the instrument. It describes how to check compliance with rated specifications, on instrument function, repair, troubleshooting and fault elimination. It contains all information required for repairing the instrument by the replacement of modules.

This manual can also be orderd in printed form (see ordering information in the data sheet).

### **Release Notes**

The release notes describe 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 current release notes are provided in the Internet.

## 1.2 Typographical Conventions

The following text markers are used throughout this documentation:

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### **Typographical Conventions**

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.

R&S®SMBV100A Preparing for Use

Front Panel Tour

# 2 Preparing for Use

The following topics will help you to get familiar with the instrument and perform the first steps:

- Front Panel Tour
- Rear Panel Tour
- Putting into Operation

This section explains the control elements and connectors of the Signal Generator R&S SMBV with the aid of the front and rear views and describes how to put the instrument into operation. It also describes the connection of peripherals such as printer, keyboard or mouse. Specifications of interfaces can be found in the data sheet.

The chapter 3, "Getting Started", on page 50 of this manual provides an overview of the generator functions and introduces the operating concept. Detailed operating instructions and an overview of menus follow in chapter 4, "Manual Operation", on page 63.

For all reference information concerning manual and remote control of the instrument refer to the online help system or its printed/printable version. A more detailed description of the hardware connectors and interfaces is also part of the help system.

### 2.1 Front Panel Tour

The front panel of the R&S Signal Generator consists of the VGA display, some utility keys (left side) and the hardkey area with connectors and control interfaces (right side). The subsequent sections provide brief explanations on the controls and connectors, the hardkey area and the front panel.

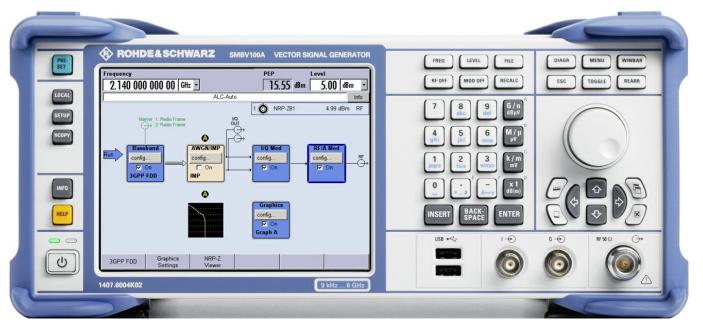


Fig. 2-1: Front panel view

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### 2.1.1 Utility Keys



The keys to the left of the display cause the R&S SMBV to return to a definite instrument state and provide information on the instrument and assistance.

For more information refer to chapter "Instrument Settings".

### **PRESET**

Sets the instrument to a defined state (see chapter 2.3.4.4, "Default Settings", on page 34).

#### **LOCAL**

Switches from remote control to local (manual) control.

### **SETUP**

Opens the "Setup" dialog for configuring presettings.

For more information, see chapter 5.2.3, "General Configuration of Instrument - Setup Key", on page 105.

### **HCOPY**

Opens the "Hardcopy" menu for configuring and starting printing.

For more information, see chapter 5.2.5, "Generating a Hard Copy of the Display", on page 133.

### INFO

Displays status messages, error messages and warnings.

### **HELP**

Displays context-sensitive help text.

### 2.1.2 Standby LEDs and Standby Key



The standby LEDs and the ON/STANDBY key are located in the bottom left corner of the front panel.

The ON/STANDBY key toggles the instrument between standby and ready state (indicated by the standby LEDs).

The standby LEDs indicate the instrument states as follow:

the green LED (left) is on when the instrument is ready for operation,

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the yellow LED (right) is on in the standby mode.

See also chapter 2.3.4.1, "Standby and Ready state", on page 33.

# 2.1.3 Display

The display clearly shows all main settings and signal generator states.

The display is divided into the following sections:

- Frequency and level display with info line
  - Frequency and level settings containing offset and peak envelope power (PEP).
  - Status messages
  - Brief error messages.
     To access an window with detailed information for a message, use the INFO key.
- Block diagram

The block diagram shows the current configuration and the signal flow in the generator with the aid of function blocks containing an on/off switch. Selecting a function block opens a list of associated setting menus. Active menus, info windows and graphs are displayed on top of the block diagram. The block diagram can be displayed in the foreground anytime with the DIAGRAM key.

"Winbar" with labelled softkeys Open menus are indicated by a labelled button in the "Winbar". The buttons determine the softkey functions for front-panel control. When a button or softkey is pressed, the associated menu is displayed either in the foreground or minimized in the "Winbar". If required, the WINBAR is covered by a row of buttons to which menu-specific functions of the active menu are assigned. By pressing the WINBAR key, the "Winbar" can be displayed in the foreground again. This allows the user to toggle between the button and softkey functions.

For detailed information, see chapter 4.2, "Display", on page 68.

# 2.1.4 Setup Keys

The keys to the right of the display set parameters, select views and control the windows.

#### 2.1.4.1 Keys for Setting Paramters

These keys provide direct access to the settings in the header of the instrument and can be used for fast changing the state of the modulation and the RF signal.



For more information refer to chapter "Instrument Functions".

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#### **FREQ**

Activates frequency entry.

#### RF ON/OFF

Switches the RF signal on and off.

"RF OFF" is displayed in the header next to the "Frequency" field.

#### **LEVEL**

Activates level entry.

#### MOD ON/OFF

Switches the modulations on and off.

"MOD OFF" is displayed in the info line of the header next to the "Level" field.

#### **FILE**

Activates the menu for storing or loading files (see chapter 4.7, "File Management", on page 91).

## **RECALCULATE**

Starts the recalculation of instrument settings.

If time-consuming calculations are required, the active modulation is automatically switched off and the calculation is interrupted to allow the user to make further settings. Calculation is restarted by a keystroke and the modulation is switched on again after the calculation is completed.

# 2.1.4.2 Display Keys

The keys on top of the rotary knob and the keys below the numeric key pad arrange different windows on the display.





### **DIAGRAM**

Brings the block diagram to the foreground. Active menus are minimized.

Active menus are indicated by the buttons in the "Winbar".

#### **ESC**

The function of this key depends on the current cursor position.

- Calls the next higher selection level.
- Closes the open window without accepting new entries; the old value or parameter is retained.
- In dialog boxes that contain a "Cancel" button it activates that button.
- Closes all kinds of dialog boxes, if the edit mode is not active.
- Quits the edit mode, if the edit mode is active.

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- Switches between different entry fields of a menu.
- Shifts the entry cursor from the header display to the previously active menu, or to the previously highlighted block in the block diagram if no menu is active.
- Shifts the cursor from a function block in the diagram to the first item in the "Winbar". If no menus are open, the current cursor position remains unchanged.

#### **TOGGLE**

- Switches highlighted elements or a function block on and off.
- Switches between two or more settings, e.g. items of selection lists. At the end of a
  list, the cursor is set on the first entry again.

#### **MENU**

Calls the menu tree.

#### CLOSE

Closes the active menu.

- If the entry mode is active, changes are cancelled.
- If settings in this menu require acknowledgement by means of an "Accept" button, a query is displayed asking whether the changes made should be cancelled.

#### HIDE

Minimizes the active open menu. The associated button in the "Winbar" remains visible.

#### REARR

Adjusts the size of the active menu to use the whole hight of the dislay.

# WINBAR

Toggles between the active menus.

# 2.1.5 Keypad for data entry

The keys in the data entry keypad are used to enter alphanumeric data and units.

Data entry keys are only enabled while the cursor is placed on a data input field in a dialog. Their function depends on the data type of the input field.



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Keys	Description			
09/abc	Enters the corresponding numbers (in numeric input fields) or characters (character input fields).			
	Inserts a decimal point (numeric input fields) or dot (character input fields) at the cursor posi tion. Multiple decimal points are not allowed.			
+/-	Changes the sign of a numeric parameter. In the case of an alphanumeric parameter, inserts a hyphen at the cursor position.			
Unit keys	Selects a unit and thus determine the absolute value, or changes the unit, i.e. trigger a recal culation without changing the absolute value. The function depends on the time at which the UNIT key is used during parameter entry (see chapter 4.4.5, "Working with Units ", on page 80).			
	For unit-free values, the X1 key is equivalent to ENTER. It confirms the previous entry and deactivates the input field.			
_	Adds a blank in a character input field.			
*#	Enters special characters. Toggles through the available characters if the key is pressed se eral times in a row.			
A <-> a	Toggles between uppercase and lowercase characters.			
A, B, C, D, E, F	Enters hexadecimal values. The letters assigned to the keys are automatically active when an entry field with a hexadecimal value is active.			

#### **INSERT**

Toggles between insert and overwrite mode (see also chapter 4.4.4, "Entering a Value", on page 79).

### **BACKSPACE**

Deletes the last character before the cursor position or the selected character sequence.

## **ENTER**

Pressing the rotary knob has the same effect.

- Concludes the entry of dimensionless entries. For other entries, this key can be used instead of the default unit key. The new value is accepted.
- · Confirms ("OK") and closes open input windows.
- In a dialog box, selects the default or focused button.
- In a dialog box, activates the edit mode for the focused area, if available.
- In a dialog box, activates or deactivates the selected option of the focused area, if the edit mode is active.
- Calls the next menu level.

# 2.1.6 Rotary Knob and Navigation Keys

The rotary knob and the arrow keys are alternative control elements for data variation and navigation in the graphical user interface.

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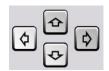


#### **ROTARY KNOB**

The rotary knob has several functions:

- Increases (clockwise direction) or decreases (counter-clockwise direction) numeric values at a defined step width in editing mode
- Moves the cursor, e.g. to a function block in the block diagram
- Scrolls within lists, tables or tree views
- Acts like the ENTER key, when it is pressed.
- Shifts the selection bar within focused areas (e.g. lists), if the edit mode is activated.

**Note:** Turning or pressing the rotary knob is equivalent to pressing the UP and DOWN keys or the ENTER key in the keypad.



#### **NAVIGATION KEYS**

The navigation keys consist of 4 arrow keys which are used for navigation, alternatively to the rotary knob.

UP/ DOWN KEYS The up and down arrow keys do the following:

- In a numeric edit dialog box, increase or decrease the instrument parameter.
- In a list, table, window or dialog box, scroll vertically.

LEFT/ RIGHT KEYS The left and right arrow keys do the following:

- In an alphanumeric edit dialog box, move the cursor forward and back.
- In a list, table, window or dialog box, scroll horizontally.

## 2.1.7 Front Panel Connectors

The RF and I/O connectors and various additional interface connectors are located on the front panel.

#### I,Q



I and Q inputs for external analog modulation signal in case of I/Q modulation.

For more information see:

chapter 5.8.2, "Data and Signal Sources in Baseband", on page 274



#### **RF OUTPUT**

Outputs for RF signal.

**NOTICE!** Maximum Input Levels. Do not overload the RF output. The maximum permissible back-feed is specified in the data sheet.



# USB

USB (universal serial bus) interfaces of type A (host USB).

Connection of peripherals such as mouse or keyboard

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- Connection of memory stick for file transmission
- Firmware update

**Note:** Another USB interface type A (host USB) and a USB interface type B (device USB for data transmission) are available on the rear panel.

See also chapter 2.4.1, "Connecting USB Devices", on page 36.

# 2.2 Rear Panel Tour

This section gives an overview of connectors on the rear panel of the instrument. Each connector is briefly described and a reference is given to the chapters containing detailed information. For technical data of the connectors refer to the data sheet.



Fig. 2-2: Rear panel view

# 2.2.1 Description of the Connectors



#### I OUT / Q OUT

Direct output or Differential (non-inverting) output for analog I/Q signal.

See also chapter 5.6.3, "Output of the Baseband Signal - I/Q Out", on page 264.

## I OUT BAR / Q OUT BAR



Differential (inverting) output for analog I/Q signal.

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See also chapter 5.6.3, "Output of the Baseband Signal - I/Q Out", on page 264.



#### MARKER 1, 2

Outputs 1 and 2 for triggering and control of external devices with user-definable marker signals.

For more information see chapter 5.2.3.12, "Global Trigger/Clock/External Input Settings", on page 121.



#### **USB IN**

USB (universal serial bus) interface of type B (device USB).

This interface can be used for remote control of the instrument.



## **USB CONNECTORS TYPE A**

USB (universal serial bus) interfaces of type A (host USB).

- Connection of peripherals such as mouse, keyboard, etc.
- Connection of memory stick for file transmission
- Firmware update

Further USB interface type A are available on the front panel.

See also chapter 2.4.1, "Connecting USB Devices", on page 36.



#### **DIGITAL IQ IN/OUT**

Connector for the input/output of a digital I/Q signal from/to an R&S instrument, like a signal generator, analyzer or the R&S EX-IQ-BOX. The interface requires option R&S SMBV-K18, Digital Baseband Connectivity.



# LAN CONNECTOR

Ethernet interface

- For integrating signal generators in a network
- Remote control of signal generator
- Remote access to the signal generator
- Firmware update

#### See also:

- chapter 2.6, "Setting Up a Network (LAN) Connection", on page 38
- chapter 6.1.3, "LAN Interface", on page 394

# **HARD DISC**

With respect to security concerns the hard disk can be removed from the instrument, but it is bound to the specific R&S SMBV. Therefore it cannot be changed between different instruments.

**NOTICE!** Risk of instrument damage and data loss!. During operation the instrument is accessing the hard disk. Removing the hard disk while operating will lead to data loss or even instrument damage.

Do not remove the hard disk during operation.

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#### **CLOCK OUT**

Output for internal clock signal.

While working in synchronous master\-slave mode, the system clock is output on this connector.

See also chapter 5.8.2.3, "Clock Signals", on page 276.



#### **CLOCK IN**

Input for the external (symbol) clock signal for synchronizing the external data signal and working in synchronous master-slave mode.

See also chapter 5.8.2.3, "Clock Signals", on page 276.



#### **NEXT**

This trigger input indicates the next (i.e. the 2nd, 3rd, 4th, ...) segment of a multi segment waveform, which can be a compound of e.g. a sine, a rectangular, or a sawtooth signal.



#### **TRIGGER**

Input for external triggering of digital modulations and standards and ARB and the external trigger in synchronous master\slave mode.





Connector for R&S NRP-Zxx sensors.

With the aid of the "User Correction" function, a table with correction values for external test assemblies can be automatically determined, e.g. for compensating the frequency response of cables.

The power sensors are connected by inserting the male connector. To disconnect hold the connector by its sleeve. Pulling on the sensor cable will not release the sensor connector.

See also chapter 5.4.6, "NRP-Z Power Viewer", on page 163.

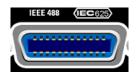


#### LO IN, LO OUT

Local oscillator input and output:

- LO IN: Input for external LO signals
- LO OUT: Output for internal LO signals.

See also chapter 5.4.5, "Local Oscillator - LO Coupling", on page 161.



## **IEC 625/IEEE 488**

IEC-bus (IEEE 488) interface for remote control of the instrument.

See also chapter A.1, "GPIB Bus Interface", on page 734 and chapter 6.1.6, "GPIB Interface (IEC/IEEE Bus Interface)", on page 398.

**Note:** In order to avoid electromagnetic interference (EMI) caused by open lines, always terminate any connected IEC-bus cable with an instrument or a controller.

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#### **SIGNAL VALID**

Output of valid signal. This signal marks the valid signal times (valid level and frequency indication). The signal is generated automatically.



#### **INSTR TRIG**

Input for external trigger of sweeps and list mode.

See also chapter 5.4.15, "List Mode", on page 227 and chapter 5.4.14.1, "Overview", on page 208.



#### **PULSE VIDEO**

Output of internal pulse generator signal or external pulse signal fed in via the PULSE EXT connector (video signal).

See alsochapter 5.4.12.5, "Pulse Modulation (PM)", on page 199.



#### **PULSE EXT**

Input of external pulse signal or input of external trigger/gate signal for internal pulse generator.

See alsochapter 5.4.12.5, "Pulse Modulation (PM)", on page 199.



### **REF OUT**

Output of internal reference signal.

See also chapter 5.4.4, "Reference Oscillator", on page 159.



# **REF IN**

Input for external reference signal.

See also chapter 5.4.4, "Reference Oscillator", on page 159.

#### ocxo

Oven-controlled reference oscillator (option R&S SMBV-B1)

The OCXO generates a very precise 10 MHz reference signal. It needs some minutes of warm-up time to reach its nominal frequency.

Refer also to the data sheet for detailed information.



#### AC SUPPLY AND POWER SWITCH

When the R&S SMBV is connected to the AC supply, it automatically sets itself to the correct range for the applied voltage (range: see type label). There is no need to set the voltage manually or change fuses.

The instrument comes with or without a power switch, depending on the design of the otherwise technically equivalent power supply unit.

The power switch can be set to two positions:

- 0
  - The instrument is disconnected from the mains.
- •

The instrument is power-supplied. It is either ready for operation (STANDBY) or in operating mode, depending on the position of the ON/STANDBY switch on the instrument front.

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See also data sheet and chapter 2.3.3, "Connecting the Instrument to the AC Supply", on page 32.



#### **EXT MOD**

Input for external analog modulation signals.

See also "External Modulation Sources" on page 190.



#### LF

Output for internal LF modulation generator signal.

See also data sheet and chapter 5.4.13.1, "Overview of LF Generator", on page 201, chapter 5.4.13.2, "LF Output", on page 201.

#### **FUSES**

The R&S SMBV is fully fused by two fuses IEC60127-T3.15H/250 V.

The fuses are accommodated in the fuse holders next to the power connector. Use only fuses of the mentioned type.

**CAUTION!** Danger of shock hazard!. Before replacing the fuses, disconnect the power cord from the R&S SMBV.

# 2.3 Putting into Operation

This section describes the basic steps to be taken when setting up the R&S SMBV for the first time.



## Risk of injury and instrument damage

The instrument must be used in an appropriate manner to prevent electric shock, fire, personal injury, or damage.

- Do not open the instrument casing.
- Read and observe the "Basic Safety Instructions" at the beginning of this manual or
  on the documentation CD-ROM, in addition to the safety instructions in the following
  sections. Notice that the data sheet may specify additional operating conditions.

# **NOTICE**

## Risk of instrument damage

Note that the general safety instructions also contain information on operating conditions that will prevent damage to the instrument. The instrument's data sheet may contain additional operating conditions.

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# NOTICE

#### Risk of instrument damage during operation

An unsuitable operating site or test setup can cause damage to the instrument and to connected devices. Ensure the following operating conditions before you switch on the instrument:

- All fan openings are unobstructed and the airflow perforations are unimpeded. The minimum distance from the wall is 10 cm.
- The instrument is dry and shows no sign of condensation.
- The instrument is positioned as described in the following sections.
- The ambient temperature does not exceed the range specified in the data sheet.
- Signal levels at the input connectors are all within the specified ranges.
- Signal outputs are correctly connected and are not overloaded.

# NOTICE

## Risk of electrostatic discharge

Protect the work area against electrostatic discharge to avoid damage to electronic components in the modules. For details, refer to the safety instructions at the beginning of this manual.



#### EMI impact on measurement results

Electromagnetic interference (EMI) can affect the measurement results. To avoid any impact, make sure that the following conditions are met:

- Use suitable double-shielded cables.
- Do not use USB connecting cables exceeding 1 m in length.
- Use only USB devices that remain within the permissible EMI limits.
- Always terminate any connected IEC-bus cables with an instrument or controller.

Outputs and lines have to be terminated properly with 50 Ohms.

For digital interfaces only the cable R&S SMBV-Z6 is permitted for connection. The associated cable is available under part number 1415.0201.02.

# 2.3.1 Unpacking and Checking the Instrument

To remove the instrument from its packaging and check the equipment for completeness proceed as follows:

- 1. Pull off the polyethylene protection pads from the instrument's rear feet and then carefully remove the pads from the instrument handles at the front.
- 2. Pull off the corrugated cardboard cover that protects the rear of the instrument.

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3. Carefully unthread the corrugated cardboard cover at the front that protects the instrument handles and remove it.

- 4. Check the equipment for completeness using the delivery note and the accessory lists for the various items.
- Check the instrument for any damage. If there is damage, immediately contact the carrier who delivered the instrument. Make sure not to discard the box and packing material.



## Packing material

Retain the original packing material. If the instrument needs to be transported or shipped at a later date, you can use the material to protect the control elements and connectors.

# 2.3.2 Placing or Mounting the Instrument

The R&S SMBV is designed for use under laboratory conditions, either on a bench top or in a rack using a rack adapter kit (order number see data sheet).

## **Bench Top Operation**

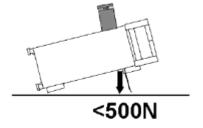
If the R&S SMBV is operated on a bench top, the surface should be flat. The instrument can be used in horizontal position, standing on its feet, or with the support feet on the bottom extended.

# **A** CAUTION

# Risk of injury at the operating site

The feet may fold in if they are not folded out completely or if the instrument is shifted. This may cause damage or injury.

- Fold the feet completely in or completely out to ensure stability of the instrument. Never shift the instrument when the feet are folded out.
- When the feet are folded out, do not work under the instrument or place anything underneath.
- The feet can break if they are overloaded. The overall load on the folded-out feet must not exceed 500 N.



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#### Rackmounting

The R&S SMBV can be installed in a rack using a rack adapter kit (Order No. see data sheet). The installation instructions are part of the adapter kit.

# NOTICE

# Risk of instrument damage in a rack

An unsufficient airflow can cause the instrument to overheat, which may disturb the operation and even cause damage.

Make sure that all fan openings are unobstructed, that the airflow perforations are unimpeded, and that the minimum distance from the wall is 10 cm.

# 2.3.3 Connecting the Instrument to the AC Supply

The R&S SMBV is automatically adapted to the AC voltage supplied. There is no need to set the voltage manually or change fuses. The AC SUPPLY AND POWER SWITCH is at the rear of the unit.

► Connect the instrument to the AC power source using the AC power cable delivered with the instrument.

**Note:** The instrument is in compliance with safety class EN61010-1. Connect the instrument only to a socket with earthing contact.

## 2.3.4 Starting the Instrument

The R&S SMBV comes with or without a power switch, depending on the design of the otherwise technically equivalent power supply unit.



Switching off the AC power

You can leave the AC power on permanently to preserve your last instrument settings. Switching off is required only if the instrument must be completely disconnected from all power supplies.



## Starting up instruments with power switch

- 1. Connect the instrument to the AC supply.
- After power-up, the instrument is in standby or ready state, depending on the state of the ON/STANDBY key at the front panel of the instrument when the instrument was switched off for the last time.

2. To turn the power on, press the main power switch to position I (On).

3. In case the instrument is in standby mode, i.e. the yellow LED is on, press the ON/ STANDBY key to switch the instrument to ready state.

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#### Starting up instruments without power switch

1. Connect the instrument to the AC supply.

After connection to the AC supply, the instrument is in standby or ready state, depending on the state of the ON/STANDBY key at the front panel of the instrument when the instrument was switched off for the last time.

2. In case the instrument is in standby mode, i.e. the yellow LED is on, press the ON/ STANDBY key to switch the instrument to ready state.

#### 2.3.4.1 Standby and Ready state



The ON/STANDBY key is located in the bottom left corner of the front panel.

# Switching between standby and ready state

► Press the ON/STANDBY key briefly to switch the instrument from the standby to ready state or vice versa.

In ready state, the left, green LED is on. The instrument is ready for operation. All modules are power-supplied and the R&S SMBV initiates its startup procedure. In standby state, the right, yellow LED is on. The standby power only supplies the power switch circuits and the oven-controlled crystal oscillator to keep it at its operating temperature. In this state it is safe to switch off the AC power and disconnect the instrument from the power supply.

# 2.3.4.2 Start Display and Booting

The instrument boots the operating system, starts the instrument firmware and automatically performs a selftest. If the previous session was terminated regularly, the instrument uses the last setup with the relevant instrument settings.

Once the startup procedure has been terminated, the block diagram opened in the previous session is displayed and the instrument is ready for operation.



Use the PRESET key to return the instrument to its definite reset/preset state, if the current setup is not anymore relevant.

To customize the start settings, use the "File" dialog.



# Rebooting the instrument

Press the STANDBY key for approx. 5 s. to reboot the instrument, if the software stops unexpectedly.

#### 2.3.4.3 Function Check

The signal generator automatically monitors the main functions when the instrument is switched on and continuously during operation.

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A detected fault is indicated by a "ERROR" message displayed in the info line together with a brief error description. For in-depth identification of the error, press the INFO key. In response, a description of the error(s) is displayed.

For more information, refer to chapter 9, "Error Messages", on page 727.

Additionaly to the automatic monitoring, the R&S SMBV offers the following capabilities to ensure correct functioning:

- Internal Adjustments
   Press the SETUP key and select "System > Internal Adjustments" to access the dialog for preforming and configuring of the adjustments settings. A maximum level accuracy can be obtained, for instance.
- Selftest
   A selftest is provided for service purposes. The selftest is a protected test procedure, which can be accessed if protection level 1 is disabled.

## 2.3.4.4 Default Settings

When the instrument is switched on, it is not the preset state that is active, but rather the instrument state that was set before the instrument was switched off. It is also recomended that you use the PRESET key to return the instrument to its defined preset state every time a new configuration is required or the current setup is not anymore relevant.

The R&S SMBV offers a three-stage preset concept:

- Preset of the settings belonging to a digital standard or associated with one dialog.
   Most of the dialog boxes provide a special "Set to Default" button that resets directly
   the settings associated to the corresponding dialog, e.g. all digital modulation settings
   in the "Custom Digital Mod" dialog.
  - These settings are identical to those which are called up using the PRESET key.
- Preset the instrument to a predefined state
   The PRESET key calls up a defined instrument setup. All parameters and switching states are preset (also those of inactive operating modes). The default instrument settings provide a reproducible initial basis for all other settings. However, functions that concern the integration of the instrument into a measurement setup are not changed, e.g. GPIB bus address or reference oscillator source settings.
- Preset the instrument to its factory settings
   The instrument can also be forced to load its default factory settings. To access the corresponding dialog box, press the SETUP key and select the "Factory Preset".

   For more information and an overview of the settings affected by the factory preset function, see chapter 5.2.3.18, "Factory Preset", on page 132.

### **Overview of the Most Important Preset States**

The following list gives an overview of the presets for the most important generator settings. The other presets can be found in the preset tables of the individual menus and the information accompanying the remote commands.

- "RF frequency" = 1 GHz
- "RF level" RF output switched off
- "Offsets" = 0

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- "Modulations State" = Off
- Uninterrupted level settings are switched off "Level Attenuator Mode" = AUTO
- Internal level control "Level ALC" = AUTO
- User correction "Level Ucor" = OFF
- "LF output State" = Off
- "Sweep State" = Off
- "List mode State" = Off

Settings that are not affected by the PRESET key

- Reference frequency settings ("Ref Oscillator" menu)
- Power on settings ("Level/EMF" menu)
- Network settings ("Setup" menu)
- GPIB address ("Setup" menu)
- \*IDN? Identification and emulation ("Setup" menu)
- Password and settings protected by passwords ("Setup" menu)
- Start/Stop Gui Update ("Setup" menu)
- Display and keyboard settings ("Setup" menu)



User-defined instrument states can be stored and called up in the "File" dialog.

## 2.3.5 Shutting Down the Instrument

To shut down the R&S SMBV, proceed as described below.

# NOTICE

#### Risk of losing data

If you switch off the running instrument using the rear panel switch or by disconnecting the power cord, the instrument loses its current settings. Furthermore, program data may be lost.

Press the ON/STANDBY key first to shut down the application properly.

1. Press the ON/STANDBY key to save the current setup, shut down the operating system and set the instrument to standby state.

The yellow LED must be on.

- 2. To turn the power off:
  - a) For instruments with power switch, press the main power switch to position 0 (Off).

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b) For instruments without power switch, pull the power cable at the rear of the instrument.

#### Tip:

Switching off the AC power

You can leave the AC power on permanently to preserve your last instrument settings. Switching off is required only if the instrument must be completely disconnected from all power supplies.

None of the front-panel LEDs should be on.

#### 2.3.6 Power Fuses

The R&S SMBV is fully fused by two fuses IEC60127-T3.15H/250 V.

The fuses are accommodated in the fuse holders next to the power connector. Use only fuses of the mentioned type.

# **WARNING**

#### Shock hazard

Before replacing a fuse, make sure that the instrument is switched off and disconnected from all power supplies.

Always use fuses supplied by Rohde & Schwarz as spare parts, or fuses of the same type and rating.

# 2.4 Connecting External Accessories

The equivalent USB ports on the front and/or rear panel of the R&S SMBV can be used to connect a variety of accessories.

In addition the instrument provides interfaces for network integration (see chapter 2.6, "Setting Up a Network (LAN) Connection", on page 38).

# 2.4.1 Connecting USB Devices

The USB interfaces on the front and (optionally) rear panels of the R&S SMBV allow you to connect USB devices directly to the instrument. This number can be increased as necessary by using USB hubs. Due to the large number of available USB devices, there is almost no limit to the expansions that are possible with the R&S SMBV.

The following list shows various USB devices that can be useful:

- Memory stick for easy transfer of data to/from a computer (e.g. firmware updates)
- CD-ROM drives for easy installation of firmware applications
- Keyboard or mouse to simplify the entry of data, comments, file names, etc.
- Power sensors, e.g. of the NRP Zxy family

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Installing USB devices is easy under Linux, because all USB devices are plug&play. After a device is connected to the USB interface, the operating system automatically searches for a suitable device driver.

If Linux does not find a suitable driver, it will prompt you to specify a directory that contains the driver software. If the driver software is on a CD, connect a USB CD-ROM drive to the instrument before proceeding.

When a USB device is subsequently disconnected from the R&S SMBV, the operating system immediately detects the change in hardware configuration and deactivates the corresponding driver.

All USB devices can be connected to or disconnected from the instrument during operation.

## Connecting a memory stick or CD-ROM drive

If installation of a memory stick or CD-ROM drive is successful, the operating system informs you that the device is ready to use. The device is made available as a new drive (/usb). The name of the drive is manufacturer-dependent.

#### Connecting a keyboard

The keyboard is detected automatically when it is connected. The default keyboard layout is English – US.

Use the "Setup > Keyboard Settings" dialog to configure the keyboard properties.

### Connecting a mouse

The mouse is detected automatically when it is connected.

# 2.5 Linux Operating System

The instrument contains the Linux operating system. To ensure that the instrument software functions properly, certain rules must be adhered to concerning the operating system.

# NOTICE

# Risk of causing instrument unusability

The instrument is equipped with the Linux operating system. Additional software can therefore be installed on the instrument. The use and installation of additional software may impair instrument function. Thus, run only programs that Rohde & Schwarz has tested for compatibility with the instrument software.

The drivers and programs used on the instrument under Linux have been adapted to the instrument. Existing instrument software must always be modified using only update software released by Rohde & Schwarz.

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The configuration of the operating system is optimally adapted to signal generator functions in the factory. Changes in the system setup are only required when peripherals like keyboard are installed or if the network configuration does not comply with the default settings (see chapter 2.6.1, "Connecting the Instrument to the Network", on page 39). After the R&S SMBV is started, the operating system boots and the instrument firmware is started automatically.



## **Accessing Operating System**

The operating system cannot be accessed.

All necessary system settings can be made in the "Setup" dialog.

The R&S SMBV provides an internal flash memory and a hard disk (R&S SMBV-B92). Both, the internal flash memory and the hard disk can be used to store data but the firmaware is always hold on the internal flash card. However, data transfer is only possible via a memory stick connected to a USB interface. The memory stick, the hard disk and the flash memory are accessed via the "File Manager".

## **Accsessing the File System**

The instrument also supports two standard methods to access the file system form a remote client:

- FTP (file transfer protocol)
- File sharing according to the SAMBA/SMB (server message block) protocol.

Both methods allow the access to the folder /var/user/share.



# **Default password**

The FTP and SAMBA file access use the user "instrument" with default password "instrument".

In is highly recomended to change this password in the Setup > Security > Change User Password dialog before connecting the instrument to the network!

#### Screen saver

A screen saver can be activated in the R&S SMBV. When active, the display is shut off when no entries via front panel, external mouse or external keyboard are made for a period of time. The screen saver prolongs the life time of the display.

Use the "Setup > Display Settings" dialog to switch on or off the screen saver and to adjust the screen saver settings.

# 2.6 Setting Up a Network (LAN) Connection

The R&S SMBV is equipped with a network interface and can be connected to an Ethernet LAN (local area network). Provided the appropriate rights have been assigned by the

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network administrator and the Linux firewall configuration is adapted accordingly, the interface can be used, for example:

- To transfer data between a controller and the tester, e.g. in order to run a remote control program.
  - See chapter 6, "Remote Control Basics", on page 392.
- To access or control the measurement from a remote computer using the "Remote Desktop" application, the Ultr@VNC program (or a similar tool)
- To connect external network devices (e.g. printers)
- To transfer data from a remote computer and back, e.g. using network folders

This section describes how to configure the LAN interface. It includes the following topics:

- chapter 2.6.1, "Connecting the Instrument to the Network", on page 39
- chapter 2.6.2, "Assigning the IP Address", on page 40



## **Accessing Operating System**

The operating system cannot be accessed.

All necessary system settings can be made in the "Setup" dialog.

# 2.6.1 Connecting the Instrument to the Network

There are two methods to establish a LAN connection to the instrument:

- A non-dedicated network (Ethernet) connection from the instrument to an existing network made with an ordinary RJ-45 network cable. The instrument is assigned an IP address and can coexist with a computer and with other hosts on the same network.
- A dedicated network connection (Point-to-point connection) between the instrument and a single computer made with a (crossover) RJ-45 network cable. The computer must be equipped with a network adapter and is directly connected to the instrument. The use of hubs, switches, or gateways is not required, however, data transfer is still performed using the TCP/IP protocol.

In both cases, an IP address has to be assigned to the instrument and the computer, see chapter 2.6.2, "Assigning the IP Address", on page 40.

The R&S SMBV uses the IP addresses 192.168.xxx.yyy for this purposes, where xxx and yyy may take values between 1...254; the subnet mask is always 255.255.255.0.

# NOTICE

## Risk of network failure

Before connecting the instrument to the network or configuring the network, consult your network administrator. Errors may affect the entire network.

➤ To establish a non-dedicated network connection, connect a commercial RJ-45 cable to one of the LAN ports.

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To establish a dedicated connection, connect a (crossover) RJ-45 cable between the instrument and a single PC.

If the instrument is connected to the LAN, the operating system automatically detects the network connection and activates the required drivers.

The network card can be operated with a 10 Mbps Ethernet IEEE 802.3 or a 100 Mbps Ethernet IEEE 802.3u interface.

# 2.6.2 Assigning the IP Address

Depending on the network capacities, the TCP/IP address information for the instrument can be obtained in different ways.

- If the network supports dynamic TCP/IP configuration using the Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (DHCP), all address information can be assigned automatically.
- If the network does not support DHCP, the instrument tries to obtain the IP address
  via Zeroconf (APIA) protocol. If this attempt does not succeed or if the instrument is
  set to use alternate TCP/IP configuration, the addresses must be set manually.

By default, the instrument is configured to use dynamic TCP/IP configuration and obtain all address information automatically. This means that it is safe to establish a physical connection to the LAN without any previous instrument configuration.

# NOTICE

# Risk of network errors

Connection errors can affect the entire network. If your network does not support DHCP, or if you choose to disable dynamic TCP/IP configuration, you must assign valid address information before connecting the instrument to the LAN. Contact your network administrator to obtain a valid IP address.

## Assigning the IP address on the instrument

- 1. Press the SETUP key and select the "Network Settings" dialog.
- 2. Set the "Address Mode" to Static.
- Select the "IP Address" and enter the IP address, for example 192.168.0.1.. The IP address consists of four number blocks separated by dots. Every block contains 3 numbers in maximum.
- 4. Select the "Subnet Mask" and enter the subnet mask, for example *255.255.255.0*. The subnet mask consists of four number blocks separated by dots. Every block contains 3 numbers in maximum.

# Assigning the IP address manually on a PC

 Obtain the IP address and subnet mask for the R&S SMBV and the IP address for the local default gateway from your network administrator. If necessary, also obtain the name of your DNS domain and the IP addresses of the DNS and WINS servers

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on your network. If you use more than one LAN connector, you need separate address information for each connector.

- 2. Press the "Windows" key to access the operating system.
- 3. Open the "Control Panel" by selecting "Start > Settings > Control Panel".
- 4. Select "Network Connections".
- Right-click "Local Area Connection" and select "Properties" from the context-sensitive menu, or click "Local Area Connection" and then "File > Properties".
- On the "General" tab, click "Internet Protocol (TCP/IP)" and then select "Properties".
- 7. Select "Use the following IP address" and enter the address information as obtained from the network administrator.
- 8. If necessary, you can also select "Use the following DNS server addresses" and enter your own DNS addresses.

For more information refer to the Windows XP Help.

# 2.6.3 Using Computer Names

Alternatively to the IP address, each PC or instrument connected in a LAN can be accessed via an unambiguous computer name. Each instrument is delivered with an assigned computer name, but this name can be changed.

#### Querying and changing a computer name

- Press the "Setup" key and select "Network Settings".
   The computer name is displayed under "Hostname".
- Press the "Setup" key, select "Protection" and enable the "Protection Level 1".
   The parameter "Hostname" in the "Network Settings" dialog is now enabled for configuration.
- Change the "Hostname".

# 2.7 Remote Access via an External Controller

The R&S SMBV can be remote accessed from a remote computer (external controller) via a network link. This allows convenient operation of the instrument from the desktop although the instrument is integrated in a rack somewhere else.



For an overview of the instrument's operating concept and the different ways to control and operate the instrument, see chapter 3.1, "Brief Introduction to the Instrument's Concept", on page 50.

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There are different ways to establish a remote access connection to the signal generator but all of them require an established LAN connection between the instrument and the remote computer. The simplest way to remote access the instrument is to use a Web browser, such as Windows Internet Explorer or Mozilla Firefox for instance. Alternatively a remote access via a special application can be used.

The free-of-charge program Ultr@VNC for PCs with Linux/Unix or Windows operating system is available for setting up the remote access connection. Using this application requires additional installation.

See the following table for an overview of the different ways to establish a remote access connection to the signal generator.

Table 2-1: Remote access via an external computer

Remote access via	LAN connec- tion	Installation of the additional application	
		on the instru- ment	on the remote computer
Web Browser	required	no	no
e.g. Windows Internet Explorer or Mozilla Firefox			
see chapter 2.7.1, "Using a Web Browser for Remote Access", on page 43			
Ultr@VNC	required	required	VNC Viewer
for PCs with Linux/Unix or Windows operating system			required
see chapter 2.7.2, "Remote Access via Ultr@VNC", on page 44			

When the connection is set up with Ultr@VNC, direct control on the instrument is possible while remote access is established.

For return to direct operation on the instrument, the connection must be cut. After cutting the connection, it is still enabled and can be established again any time. The connection is disabled only after deactivation of the program.

This section gives an information on how to use the Web browser for remote access, how to install the applications for remote access and how to establish the connection between the instrument and an external computer with Windows operating system. Remote access via an external computer with Linux/Unix operating system is performed accordingly.



# **Default password**

Remote-access and file access require the user "instrument" with default password "instrument".

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# NOTICE

## Changing the default user and security passwords

It is highly recommended to change the default user and security passwords in the menu "Setup > Security" before connecting the instrument to the network (see section chapter 5.2.3.16, "Security", on page 128).

# 2.7.1 Using a Web Browser for Remote Access

The instrument can be remote-accessed via any Web browser, like Windows Internet Explorer or Mozilla Firefox for instance.

To remote access the instrument via Web browser:

- 1. Connect the instrument and the remote computer to a LAN, see chapter 2.6.1, "Connecting the Instrument to the Network", on page 39.
- 2. Instal the Java Runtime Environment JRE on the remote computer.
- 3. Type the instruments' IP address in the address field of the Web browser on your PC, e.g. http://10.111.11.1

The "VNC Authentication" screen appears.

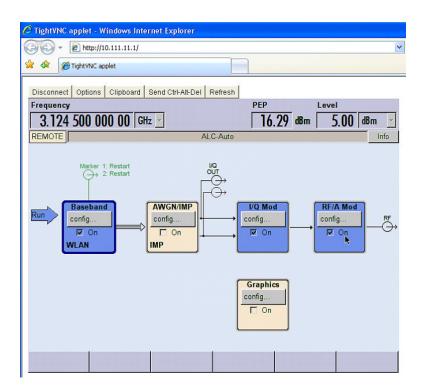


4. Enter the password and select "OK".

The default password is "instrument".

After the connection is established, the current signal generator screen with the block diagram is displayed and the instrument can be remote-accessed from the remote computer.

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# 2.7.2 Remote Access via Ultr@VNC

Ultr@VNC is an application which can be used to access and control the instrument from a remote computer through a LAN connection. The program is included in operating system Linux/Unix. It is available as a free-of-charge download on the internet for operating system Window XP (http://www.uvnc.com/download/index.html) and on the instrument's CD-ROM.

# NOTICE

## **Risk of Unauthorized Access**

If the VNC application is enabled on the instrument, any user in the network who knows the computer name and login data can access it. To prevent this, make sure that the VNC server service on the instrument is disabled.

# Setting up a VNC connection

- 1. Connect the instrument and the remote computer to a LAN, see chapter 2.6.1, "Connecting the Instrument to the Network", on page 39.
- 2. Install the Ultr@VNC application and enable it on the instrument.
- 3. In the ICF firewall, enable communication on the network via Ultr@VNC program.
- 4. Install the VNC Viewer on the remote computer with Windows operating system, see "Installing the VNC Viewer on a Windows PC" on page 47.

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- 5. Set up the VNC connection between the instrument and:
  - a) the remote computer with Linux/Unix operating system, see "Setting up the VNC connection on the Linux/Unix remote computer" on page 47;
  - b) the remote computer with Windows operating system, see "Setting up the VNC connection on the Windows remote computer" on page 48.

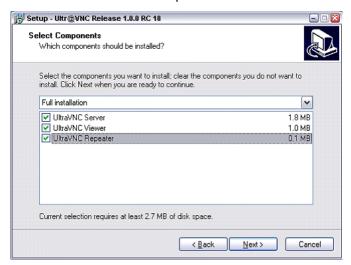


#### **Enabled Direct Control**

The direct control of the instrument is not disabled and the instrument can be controlled from the front panel and via the remote computer alternately.

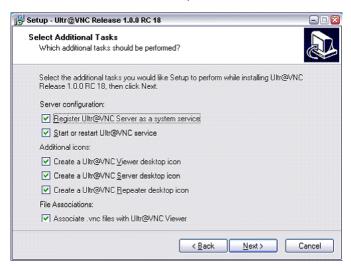
# Installing the Ultr@VNC application

- 1. Download the program from the internet and copy it to a directory that can be accessed.
- 2. On the instrument, shut down firmware using the ALT+F4 key combination.
- Double click on the setup file to start the installation.
   The setup wizard leads through the installation. This description focus only on the relevant settings.
  - a) Select installation of all components.

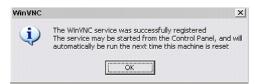


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b) In the "Additional Task Panel", enable all entries.



A successful installation is indicated by a message.



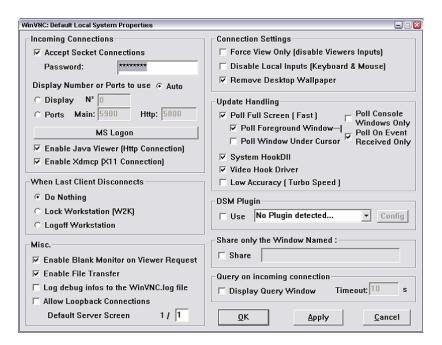
At the same time a warning is displayed stating that a password must be set.



4. Select "OK".

The "Default Local System Properties" panel opens.

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5. Enter a password with a length of at least five digits.

This password is used on the remote computer to access the instrument. Other settings may be changed according to the user-specific security requirements.

After the installation the Ultr@VNC program is automatically started together with the operating system. On mouse over, the IP address of the instrument is indicated. This IP address and the user-defined password are the prerequisites to enable remote access on the remote computer. Terminated connection is indicated by changed icon color.

#### Installing the VNC Viewer on a Windows PC

 Download the Ultr@VNC program form internet and follow the installation instructions.

Only the program component VNC Viewer is required.

**Note:** The VNC Viewer program is included in the download for the installation of the Ultr@VNC program on the signal generator if "Full installation" was selected in the "Select Component" panel. In this case, the program ultr@vncviewer.exe can be copied to the Windows PC.

2. Install VNC Viewer program component on the remote computer.

## Setting up the VNC connection on the Linux/Unix remote computer

The VNC program is available per default for Linux/Unix operating systems.

- 1. Start a Web browser on the remote computer and enter the IP address of the instrument.
- Enter the following address: vnc://<IP-address of the instrument>, e.g. vnc://192.168.1.1.

A dialog is opened and the password for the remote VNC connection is requested.

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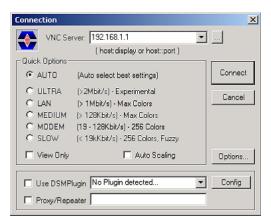
3. Enter the password as defined in the "Default Local System Properties" panel of the Ultr@VNC program and select "Log On".

The connection is established, the instrument is remote accessed and the current signal generator screen with the block diagram is displayed. The individual functions are operated using the mouse and keyboard.

In contrast to remote access via Remote Desktop, the direct control of the instrument is not disabled and the instrument can be controlled from the front panel and via the remote computer alternately.

#### Setting up the VNC connection on the Windows remote computer

 Start VNC Viewer program component on the PC, select "VNC Server" and enter IP address of the instrument.



2. To initialize the connection, select "Connect".

A message requesting the password appears.



3. Enter the password as defined in the "Default Local System Properties" panel of the Ultr@VNC program and select "Log On".

The connection is established, the instrument is remote accessed and the current signal generator screen with the block diagram is displayed. The individual functions are operated using the mouse and keyboard.



#### **Enabled Direct Control**

The direct control of the instrument is not disabled and the instrument can be controlled from the front panel and via the remote computer alternately.

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#### **Terminating VNC Connection**

The remote access via VNC connection can be terminated either on the R&S SMBV or on the external PC. Terminating the connection does not disable it. It can be established again any time. See the notice above concerning unauthorized access due to VNC connection!

- Terminate the connection on the R&S SMBV
  - a) Press the "Windows" key to access the operating system.
  - b) Right-click on the VNC icon on the task bar and select "Kill all clients".
- 2. To terminate the connection on the external Linux/Unix PC, close the internet browser or close the signal generator window.
- 3. To terminate the connection on the external Windows PC, close the VNC Viewer program.

The connection is terminated. The color of the VNC icon in the status bar of the instrument changes.

A message on the external PC indicates the disconnection.

# Disabling Remote Access via Ultr@VNC

The VNC connection can be disabled by removing the program on the instrument or by deactivating the VNC Server service.

- 1. Remove the VNC program
  - a) Press the "Windows" key to access the operating system and open the "Add or Remove Programs" by selecting "Start > Settings > Control Panel > Add or Remove Programs".
  - b) Remove the VNC program.
- 2. Deactivate the VNC Server service
  - a) Press the "Windows" key to access the operating system and open the "Services" by selecting "Start > Settings > Control Panel > Services".
  - b) Deactivate the VNC Server service.

The connection is disabled, the VNC icon disappears from the task bar of the instrument.

Brief Introduction to the Instrument's Concept

# 3 Getting Started

This section helps you to get familiar with the R&S SMBV and provides an introduction to the general concept of the instrument with a sample of the possible application fields as well as a description of the main blocks in the signal generation flow.

This section also explains the operating concept in general and includes a brief introduction to operation by a step-by-step description of the configuration. The example is intended to provide a quick overview of the settings provided. No additional equipment is required.

# 3.1 Brief Introduction to the Instrument's Concept

The R&S SMBV provides an entirely digital baseband section for generating I/Q signals and an RF section with I/Q modulator. The instrument uses I/Q (vector) modulation. Digital data streams are converted to an I/Q baseband signal. The baseband signal is then D/A-converted and modulated onto the target RF carrier frequency with the aid of an I/Q modulator.

For a detailed description of the blocks in the baseband and RF sections, refer to chapter 3.2, "Baseband Section", on page 52 and chapter 3.3, "RF Section", on page 54 respectively.

The **operating concept** of the R&S SMBV employs the following three ways of instrument control:

- Manual operation
- Remote control
- Remote access

#### **Manual Operation**

The R&S SMBV can be entirely operated from the front panel. Peripherals such as mouse or keyboard can be connected but are not essential.

The R&S SMBV is equipped with an intuitive user interface. The central element of the display is the block diagram that shows the signal flow and processing from the left on the display to most right, i.e. the generated signal can be seen at a glance.

Each block represents a functional unit of the instrument. Thus the user always knows the position at which a parameter has an effect in the signal flow. The main settings of a block are indicated in the block. The interconnection of employed inputs and outputs is also shown. The user is thus always informed about the connection of inputs and outputs in the signal flow and where they can be configured. A window is opened for each menu where parameters can be set. When the window is opened, an entry is made in the "Winbar" below the display. All open menus are of equal priority (not modal) and can be accessed any time.

The block diagram in the figure below shows a fully equipped instrument.

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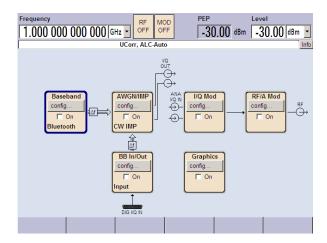


Fig. 3-1: Block diagram of a fully equipped R&S Signal Generator

With the aid of the rotary knob, the user can navigate in the block diagram and the dialogs, and can operate the instrument with one hand. The cursor is moved line by line through the block diagram or dialog. Turning the button clockwise advances the cursor. The selected block can be activated or deactivated with the TOGGLE key. Active blocks are highlighted by a colored background.

The instrument comprises a comprehensive info and help system. Context-sensitive help can be called any time with the HELP (F1) key. The help system indicates the currently selected parameter and offers additional services such as cross references, index and contents. The content of the help system corresponds to the operating manual of the instrument.

Warning and conflict messages caused by incorrect operation as well as further information are displayed in the "Info" line. A complete list of existing conflicts is displayed when the INFO (CTRL+I) key is pressed. Additional information on entries can be requested from the help system. The history function permits display of all messages.

Assistants simplify the completion of tables. After data entry in the assistant, the table is modified only after the "Accept" button has been pressed. Pressing the "Accept" button also stores the assistant data.

For an introduction into the manual operating of the instrument, detailed operating instructions and an overview of menus refer to chapter 4, "Manual Operation", on page 63.

For an indepth description of the dialog boxes and the instrument functions refer to section chapter 5.1, "Overview of Instrument Functions", on page 101.

#### **Remote Control**

Remote control is an operation of the instrument by means of remote control commands or programs that automatize repeating settings. The instrument is connected to a computer running the program.

This way of operation and the instructions how to set up a connection for remote control are described in the chapter 6, "Remote Control Basics", on page 392. The description of the remote control commands is provided in chapter 7, "Remote Control Commands", on page 433.

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#### **Remote Access**

Remote access is the operating of the instrument from a remote computer. Both the R&S SMBV and the computer are connected in a LAN.

**Remote access** in contrast to **remote control** does not use remote-control commands but a separate software which is installed on the remote computer. After its start, the software simulates the user interface of the instrument. The instrument can thus be operated from the remote computer as on the unit itself. The individual functions are operated using the mouse and keyboard. Specific instrument functions can be executed using specific key combinations on the keyboard or a front panel key emulation that can be operated with the mouse.

This way of operation and the instructions how to set up a connection for remote access are described in chapter 2.7, "Remote Access via an External Controller", on page 41.

# 3.2 Baseband Section

The baseband section of the R&S Signal Generator is fully digital and contains the hardware for generating and processing I/Q signals.

For detailed information on available options, refer to the R&S SMBV data sheet and the R&S SMBV configuration guide.

Up-to-date information is available at R&S SMBV homepage on the internet http://www2.rohde-schwarz.com/product/smbv100a.html.

### Baseband generator (option R&S SMBV-B10)

The generator produces baseband signals. It contains modules for real time signal generation and an arbitrary waveform generator (ARB).

The option Baseband Generator contains real time Custom Digital Modulation and ARB. Software options providing various digital standards are offered in addition. Option R&S SMBV-K40, for instance, generates signals to GSM/EDGE standard, option R&S SMBV-K42 signals to 3GPP FDD standard.

This module also offers digital I/Q impairment functions. The I/Q signal can be deliberately corrupted, e.g. for testing the receiver quality.

## Digital Baseband Connectivity (option R&S SMBV-K18)

This option activates the DIGITAL IQ IN/OUT interface in order to apply an external signal to the baseband path, or to provide the internally generated baseband signal. Equipped with this option, the instrument indicates the "BB IN/Out" in the blockdiagram.

The interface enables you to directly transmit digital I/Q signals between R&S instruments. In addition, if you use the digital signal interface module (R&S EX-IQ-BOX), you get a versatile digital baseband interface for a variety of formats.

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### Special features...

 Option R&S SMBV-K18 is a combined interface, i.e. it operates one direction at a time.

- The R&S SMBV processes either the internally generated baseband signal, or the signal supplied externally. Therefore, the baseband signal generator is turned off with "BB In", and vice versa.
- If the baseband section and the RF section are decoupled, e.g. with output of the digital I/Q signal, or if an external analog signal is fed to the I/Q modulator, both sections can be processed independently.

## Further processing of the I/Q signal

The R&S SMBV allows further processing of the I/Q signal, as summarized below:

- In the "AWGN/IMP" block, the R&S SMBV allows the digital I/Q signal to be impaired or added with noise before it is passed on.
   Additionally, a pure noise signal can be used and forwarded. In this case, the I/Q
  - Additionally, a pure noise signal can be used and forwarded. In this case, the I/Q baseband signal is disabled, indicated by the interrupted signal flow in the diagram.
- If digital I/Q output is on, the R&S SMBV routes the signal, or the pure noise, directly to the digital interface.
- If digital I/Q output is off, the instrument converts the signal to an analog I/Q signal and routes it to the analog I/Q output and to the I/Q modulator of the RF path. Pure noise is also provided at the analog outputs or can be forwarded to the I/Q modulator.

#### Additional White Gaussian Noise (option R&S SMBV-K62)

Additive white noise, which may be required for instance for measurements on mobile radio base stations, can be produced with the AWGN software option (R&S SMBV-K62).

# 3.2.1 Description of Individual Diagram Blocks of the Baseband Section



Each function block can be activated or deactivated with the "ON" check box (on/off toggling).

The ON/OFF TOGGLE key at the front panel (see "TOGGLE" on page 22) switches the currently selected block on or off.

A detailed description of the blocks is provided below.



## **Baseband A block**

In this block, the (first) baseband source is configured and activated. The block is displayed only if a baseband generator is available in the instrument.

Depending on the installed software options, various digital standards, user-configured digital real time modulation or the built-in waveform generator (ARB) can be selected. The selected modulation is displayed in the block.

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The TOGGLE ON/OFF key switches the selected modulation (digital standard, digital modulation or ARB) on or off.



#### BB In/Out block

The block is displayed only if the Digital Baseband Connectivity (option R&S SMBV-K18) is installed.

As input, the "BB In/Out" block controls the baseband input module for external I/Q signals. Externally generated realtime baseband signals are fed into the digital signal path via the digital interface. The signal is transferred directly to the I/Q modulator (I/Q Mod function block).

Conversely, as output, the block is used to configure the digital I/Q output. The internally generated baseband signal is configured in the Baseband function block.

The digital settings are performed in the corresponding menus. I and Q components can also be swapped (I/Q Swap). The status line in a block displays the currently active control, e.g. "Output" denotes that the I/Q baseband signal is provided by the digital output.

The ON/OFF TOGGLE key switches the active function(s) of the block on or off.



#### AWGN/IMP A block

This block is displayed only if a baseband generator (R&S SMBV-B10/B50/B51) is installed.

In this block (digital) I/Q impairments for the baseband path can be set. With the aid of the software for AWGN generation (option R&S SMBV-K62), an (additive) noise signal can be produced.

AWGN and impairments can be activated independently of each other in the appropriate menus. The settings are displayed in the block. The entire block can be activated or deactivated. If the block is deactivated, the signal passes through the block unchanged.

In addition, the differential I/Q output is configured in this block.

The TOGGLE ON/OFF key switches the active functions of the block on or off. The functions (AWGN, impairments or both) are activated in the respective menus.



# **Graphics block**

With this block, the baseband signal can be graphically displayed in real time. The block is displayed only if a baseband generator is installed.

The TOGGLE ON/OFF key opens or closes the graphics window.

# 3.3 RF Section

An RF path is configured by installing a frequency option that comprises all required modules.



One of the following options must be installed.

R&S SMBV-B103 (up to 3 GHz)

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R&S SMBV-B106 (up to 6 GHz)

For detailed information on available options, refer to the R&S SMBV data sheet and the R&S SMBV Configuration guide.

Up-to-date information is available at R&S SMBV homepage on the internet http://www2.rohde-schwarz.com/product/smbv100a.html).

# 3.3.1 Description of Individual Diagram Blocks of the RF Section

This section gives an overview of the available blocks and a detailed descritption of their functions.



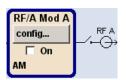
#### I/Q Mod A block

The (first) I/Q modulator is configured in this block. Also the Analog Wideband I/Q mode can be selected here, which allows external I/Q signals to be directly applied to the I/Q modulator, i.e. not via the baseband section. If no baseband modules are installed, I/Q modulation is possible only in the Analog Wideband I/Q mode.

I and Q components can also be swapped (I/Q Swap). (Analog) I/Q impairments can be set in addition. Unlike the impairments in the "AWGN/IMP" block, impairments in the "I/Q Mod" block also affect the externally applied signals in the Analog Wideband I/Q mode.

The status display in the block shows whether I/Q impairments and/or I/Q swap is active. I/Q modulation is switched on or off with the TOGGLE ON/OFF key.

**Note:** An I/Q modulator provided in the R&S SMBV is automatically activated when a connected baseband source is switched on. The I/Q modulator can also be separately switched on and off (select the "I/Q Mod" block and press the TOGGLE ON/OFF key). This permits the following configuration to be obtained with a single-path R&S SMBV. The baseband source generates an I/Q signal that is output via the analog I/Q output. At the same time, the RF section generates an unmodulated carrier.



#### RF/A Mod A block

In this block, the RF parameters and the analog modulation modes are set.

The active analog modulation modes are displayed in the block. The TOGGLE ON/ OFF key switches the RF signal on and off. When the RF signal is switched off, the switch before the RF output symbol is open.

RF settings include:

- Frequency and reference frequency
- Attenuator settings.
- Frequency and level sweep
- List Mode settings. In this mode, extremely fast frequency and level settings can be made

**Note:** Numeric values for frequency and level are entered best and quickest with the aid of the FREQ and LEVEL keys.

Available analog modulation modes:

- Amplitude modulation
- Pulse modulation (option R&S SMBV-K22).

**Note:** For modulation modes that can be simultaneously used, refer to the R&S SMBV data sheet.

Example of Setup

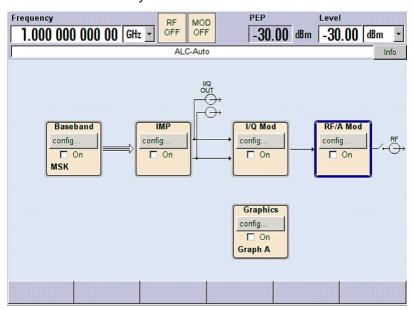
# 3.4 Example of Setup

This section provides an example on how to configure the instrument to generate and display a simple QPSK-modulated signal.

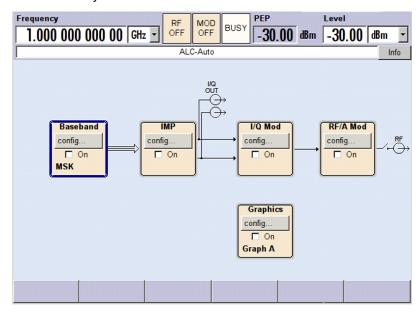
# Configuring and displaying a QPSK-modulated signal

To generate and display a QPSK-modulated signal, proceed as follow:

Activate default (preset) state.
 Press the PRESET key to set a defined instrument state.

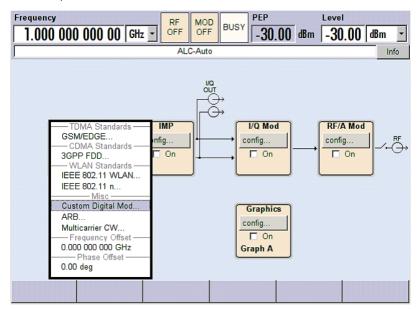


- 2. Select and activate digital modulation
  - a) Turn the rotary knob and select the "Baseband A" block.

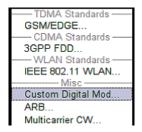


Example of Setup

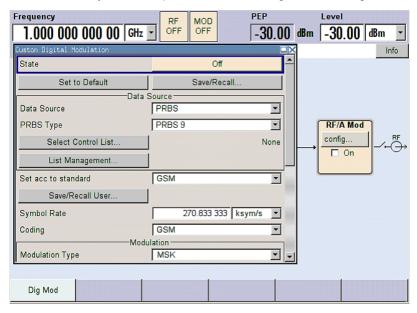
b) Press the rotary knob to open the menu where the digital modulation can be selected (different modulation modes are available depending on the options installed).



c) Turn the rotary knob and highlight "Custom Digital Mod...".

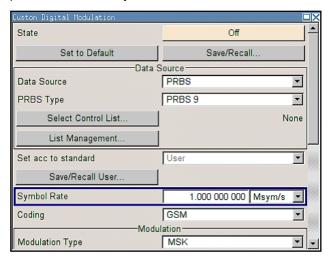


Press the rotary knob to open the "Custom Dig. Mod." dialog.



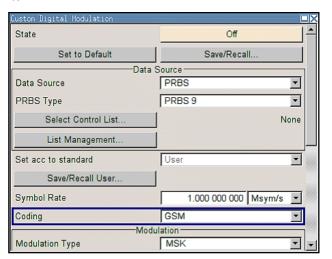
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d) Turn the rotary knob to select parameter "Symbol Rate", press the rotary knob to allow editing and enter the preffered symbol rate with the aid of the numeric keypad and the unit keys.



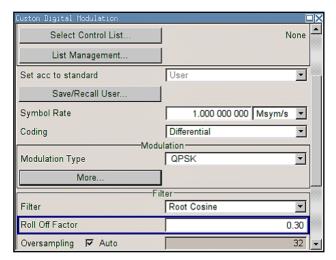
e) Turn the rotary knob to select parameter "Coding". Press the button to open the selection list.

Turn the rotary knob to select "Off" and press the knob to activate the selected item.

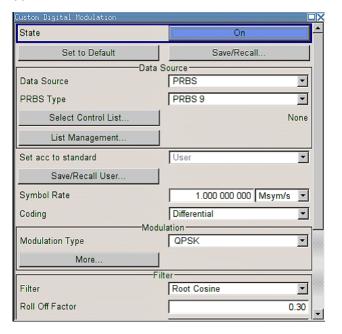


Example of Setup

f) Use the rotary knob in the same way to set "Modulation Type" QPSK and "Filter" Root Cosine with "Roll Off Factor" 0.3.

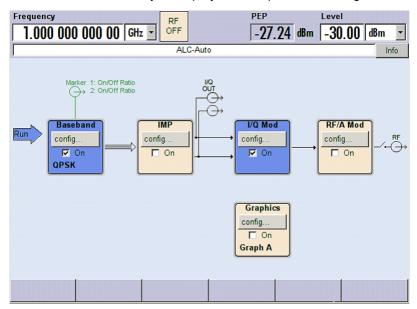


g) Finally, select "State" and press the rotary knob to switch on the digital modulation.



Example of Setup

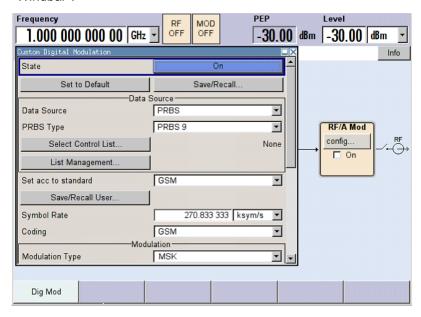




To indicate the active state, the "Baseband" block is displayed in blue.

i) The entry in the Winbar indicates that the "Custom Dig. Mod." menu is still open in the background.

To display the menu in the foreground, press the softkey below the button in the "Windbar".



Press the HIDE key to minimize the menu again.

The "I/Q Mod" block is automatically activated.

The "RF/A Mod" is not yet active, which means that no RF signal is output.

3. Set frequency and level and activate RF signal

Example of Setup

a) Press the FREQ key to activate the editing mode for frequency entry. The "Frequency" entry field in the header section of the display is highlighted.



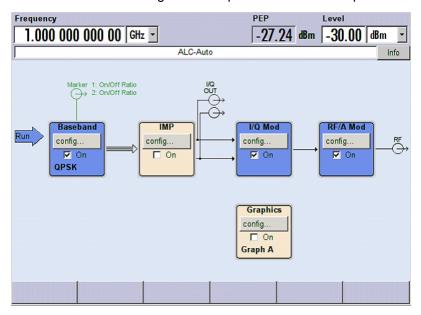
Enter the frequency using the numeric keypad and terminate the entry by pressing a unit key.

b) Press the LEVEL key and enter the level settings in the same way.

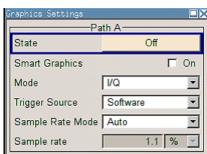


- c) Press the DIAGRAM key to display the complete block diagram.
- d) Turn the rotary knob to select the "RF/A Mod" block.
   Press the TOGGLE ON/OFF key to activate the "RF/A Mod" block.

The QPSK modulation signal is now present at the RF output.

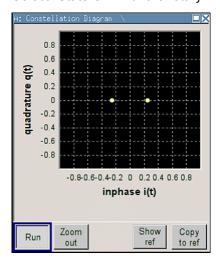


- 4. Select graphics display of I/Q signal
  - a) Turn the rotary knob to select the "Graphics" block and open the respective menu.



Example of Setup

b) Select "State On" with the rotary knob to activate display of the I/Q diagram.



**Key Features** 

# 4 Manual Operation

The R&S SMBV can be operated intuitively either via the interactive block diagram or via a menu tree. All menus are in the form of windows that can be operated in the same way. Rotary knob, keys and softkeys, or alternatively a mouse, allow direct and therefore convenient access to entries and settings.

The clear-cut display shows the current signal generator state. Graphs, spectra, vector diagrams, etc. can be called for a visual check of the output signal. Numerous help functions support the user in signal configuration.

This section describes the concept of manual operation of the signal generator. This includes a description of the general structure of a dialog box, working with dialog boxes and the block diagram and the setting of parameters.

For an in-depth description of the dialog boxes and the instrument functions refer to section "Instrument Functions".

# 4.1 Key Features

The manual operating concept of the R&S SMBV enables the user to make settings as intuitively as possible and at the same time gives a permanent overview of characteristics of the generated signal and of the current instrument state. Numerous online help functions support user settings.

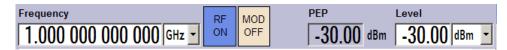
#### **Block diagram**

The block diagram is the core of the operating concept.

A graphics display shows the current configuration and the signal flow in the form of a block diagram. All graphical elements can be accessed for operation. An element is selected by means of the arrow keys and the associated setting function is called by pressing Enter. Required menus and graphs are displayed on the block diagram which is displayed again in the foreground whenever the DIAGRAM (CTRL+D) key is pressed.

### Permanent frequency and level display

The main characteristics of the RF signal, frequency and level, are permanently displayed in the header section of the screen and can be directly set in the display fields after the FREQ (CTRL+F) or LEVEL (CTRL+L) key is pressed. Status messages for the output signal are displayed in addition to frequency and level.



#### **Operation via Graphical User Interface**

#### Functional blocks

Menus are assigned to the specific function blocks in the block diagram. The function blocks represent elements of signal generation. Function blocks displayed with a blue

**Key Features** 

frame can be directly switched on and off by means of the TOGGLE ON/OFF (CTRL +T) key. The menus of the highlighted function blocks can be called by pressing the ENTER key.

#### - Example:

The "Baseband" block contains all menus required for baseband signal configuration.

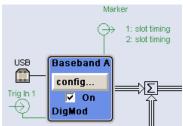


In this block all digital standards and the digital modulation can be selected.



## Signal flow

The signal flow between the function blocks and the employed inputs and outputs are also shown.



#### Menu tree

The menu tree can be opened and closed with the MENU (CTRL+M) key. The menu tree is organized in the same way as the directories under Windows. The function blocks correspond to the first directory level, the menus to subdirectories.



#### Operation corresponds to the Windows concept

To offer the user a familiar environment, operation is very similar to operation of Windows user interfaces. All menus and tables are made up of known elements, such as selection lists, check boxes and entry fields.

A blue frame indicates that the selected item is active. In the highlighted element, entries can be made.

#### Rotary knob

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Operation is possible via front-panel keys, an external keyboard and the mouse. However, most of the settings can be easily made with the rotary knob:

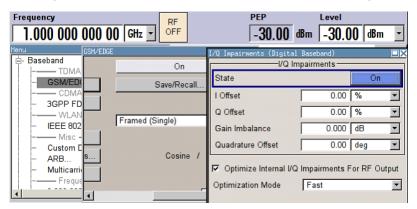
• Turning the rotary knob shifts the entry focus to the target element.



- Pressing the rotary knob activates the selected entry field.
   Depending on the parameter, the submenu is called, the numeric value varied, the list entry selected or the check box activated or deactivated.
- If a value is entered, the entry is stored by another click on the rotary knob and the editing mode is exited.

# Clear settings with the aid of independent subdialogs

A separate window is opened for each dialog and subdialog. The dialogs can be operated independently of each other, i.e. none of the dialogs requires that settings in other dialogs be completed before it can be closed. This ensures flexible operation at all times.



#### Winbar

The Winbar gives an overview of menus and simplifies their access.

The menus are displayed on top of the block diagram but they can be "hidden" with the aid of the HIDE (CTRL+H) key, i.e. displayed in the form of a button in the "Winbar" at the lower end of the screen.

They can be displayed again in full size by a keystroke (REARR (CTRL+A) key). This makes room on the screen for other displays that may be required but the setting menus can be still accessed any time.



# Keys with assigned simple functions

Most keys on the front panel of the R&S SMBV directly perform a simple function.

Since a great number of settings can thus be made by a keystroke, operation is easy. For instance, the CLOSE (ESC) key closes the active menu; with the RF ON/OFF (CTRL+R) key the RF output signal can be switched on or off.

**Key Features** 

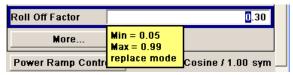
An exception are keys that call a menu such as the MENU (CTRL+M) key which opens the complete menu tree of the instrument, the SETUP (CTRL+E) key which opens the menus for general instrument settings or the FILE (CTRL+S) key which opens the menu for file management.

#### Help functions for user support

Numerous help functions support the user in signal configuration.

#### Value ranges

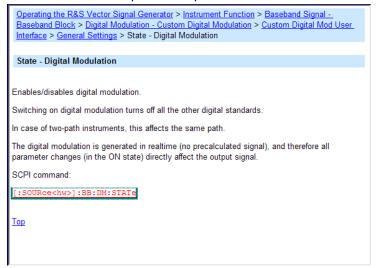
The valid setting range is displayed for each numeric parameter. This requires a short wait after activation of the entry field. The range is then displayed automatically after a few seconds.



If the entered value is outside the permissible range, the next permissible value is automatically set and a message is output.

#### • Context-sensitive help

Context-sensitive help for each parameter can be called with the HELP or F1 key.



#### Comprehensive online help

Each help page is part of a comprehensive online help function which can be called by means of an index, a content tree or the "Previous/Next" buttons.

#### Info line with messages for indication of the current instrument state

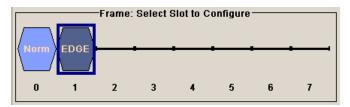
A great variety of different messages such as status messages, error messages, warnings or information are displayed in the header field of the screen. With the aid of the INFO (CTRL+I) key, help pages can be called for most of the messages. They provide background information on the message and indicate operating steps that may be required. All messages are explained in the online help which can be called with the HELP (F1) key.

**Key Features** 



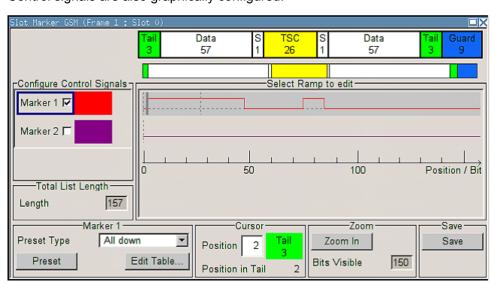
### Graphical display of data structure

The structure of the baseband signal is graphically displayed in the respective menus; the individual signal elements can be graphically selected for processing.



# Graphics editor for definition of control signals

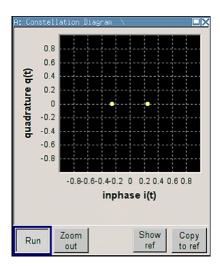
Control signals are also graphically configured.



#### Graphical display of output signal in a diagram

The output signal can be graphically displayed in a number of diagrams. This allows a fast check of signal characteristics. Zoom functions and the insertion of a reference trace permit in-depth evaluation without an external analyzer being required.

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# 4.2 Display

The display shows the current signal generator state and offers graphical elements for direct operation. It is divided into three sections:

- The frequency and level display with info line indicates the main output signal parameters and reports the current state with status, error and warning messages.
- The block diagram shows the instrument configuration, the signal characteristic as well as the inputs and outputs used and permits interactive operation via graphics elements. Active menus and graphs are displayed on top of the block diagram.
- Winbar with labelled softkeys for menu display.

The block diagram in the figure below shows a fully equipped instrument.

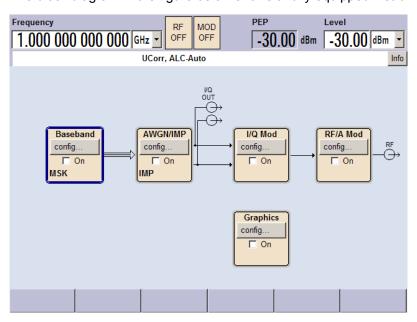


Fig. 4-1: Block diagram of a fully equipped R&S Signal Generator

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# 4.2.1 Settings Displayed in the Header Section

Frequency/level settings and a few status messages (see chapter 4.2.2, "Status Information and Messages", on page 69) are displayed in the header field of the screen. The display may vary depending on the instrument's operating mode:

- In the sweep mode, the current frequency or level of the output signal is displayed. The status message "SweepMode" is displayed in the info line.
- In the list mode, neither the current frequency nor level is displayed, the indication is dimmed.
- If user correction is active, the status message "UCorr" is displayed in the info line.
- In the case of digital modulation, "Freq" indicates the frequency, "PEP" the peak envelope power and "Level" the average level.



The value displayed in the "Freq" and "Level" field does not consider any offset set or multiplier factor.

For more information see chapter 5.4.2, "RF Frequency", on page 156 and chapter 5.4.8.1, "Overview of RF Level", on page 173.

# 4.2.2 Status Information and Messages

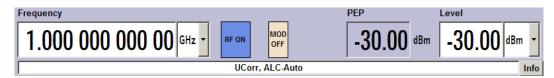
The status information and messages are displayed in the header section of the screen. The messages differ with respect to their importance (errors, warnings, info) and the time of their appearance (brief and permanent messages). They require different treatment by the user. Further information on all messages can be called in the info window (see chapter 4.2.3, "Info Window", on page 70).

Refer to chapter 9, "Error Messages", on page 727 for an overview of all status information and messages as well as instructions for error elimination.

#### 4.2.2.1 Status Information

The status information gives the user an overview of the main operating states and settings of the instrument. The states are indicated for information only and do not necessitate any action by the user.

Status information is displayed between the frequency and level fields, at the left of the info line or in the info line itself.



#### 4.2.2.2 Messages

Messages indicate errors in the instrument. They are displayed in the info line in different colors depending on their importance and display duration. Errors (e.g. no calibration

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data) are displayed in red, information (e.g. file not found) and warnings in black. Warnings indicate less significant errors (e.g. the instrument operates outside specified data).

### 4.2.2.3 Volatile messages

Brief messages report automatic settings in the instrument (e.g. switching off of incompatible types of modulation) or on illegal entries that are not accepted by the instrument (e.g. range violations). They are displayed in the info line on a yellow background. They are displayed on top of status information or permanent messages.

Volatile messages do not normally demand user actions and disappear automatically after a brief period of time. They are stored in the history, however.

These messages can be read from remote using SYST:ERR? or SYST:ERR:ALL?.

#### 4.2.2.4 Permanent Messages

Permanent messages are displayed if an error occurs that impairs further instrument operation, e.g. a hardware fault. The error signalled by a permanent message must be eliminated before correct instrument operation can be ensured.

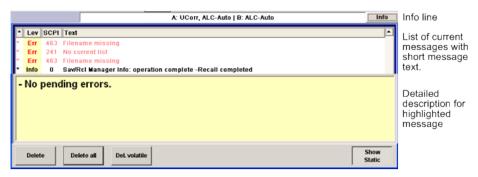
The message is displayed until the error is eliminated. It covers the status display in the info line. After error elimination, the message automatically disappears and is also recorded in the history.

These messages can be read from remote using SYST:SERR?.

#### 4.2.3 Info Window

A few operating states and the current message are displayed in the info line.

The INFO window with a list of current permanent messages and a detailed description of each message can be opened with the INFO (CTRL+I) key.



The upper section of the info window contains a list of all current permanent messages in the order of their occurrence, i.e. the most recent message is displayed first. In the lower section of the window, additional information on the highlighted message is displayed. A history of all messages that have occurred since instrument switch-on can be called with the "History" key. The most recent message is displayed first.

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The messages are color-coded according to their level. Device-specific messages are red, info and remote control error are black. The level is also indicated in the "Lev" column (Err, Sys or Info). Column "SCPI" indicates the SCPI error code.

With the aid of the softkey buttons, error messages can be cleared and a history of all messages called.

#### **Delete**

Clears the highlighted message.

This button is available only if the history of the messages is displayed.

#### **Delete All**

Clears all messages.

This button is available only if the history of the messages is displayed.

#### Del. volatile

Clears all volatile messages.

This button is available only if the history of the messages is displayed.

#### SCPI command:

SYSTem: ERRor: ALL on page 712

Each time a SYST: ERR: ALL? query is sent, the error queue is returned and at the same time cleared.

#### **History**

Calls the list of all messages that have occurred since instrument switch-on. The most recent messages are displayed at the top of the list. When the button is pressed again, the list of current messages is displayed.

# SCPI command:

SYSTem: ERROr [: NEXT] on page 714 or STATUS: QUEUE [: NEXT] on page 705 Each time a SYST: ERR? or STAT: QUE? query is sent, the oldest entry in the error queue is returned and at the same time cleared in the list.

# 4.2.4 Block Diagram

The block diagram shows provided options, signal configuration and the currently selected signal flow of the generator with inputs and outputs used. Signal generation can be completely operated from the block diagram. The highlighted function block can be directly switched on and off with the TOGGLE ON/OFF (CTRL+T) key. Pressing the Enter opens the associated setting menu.

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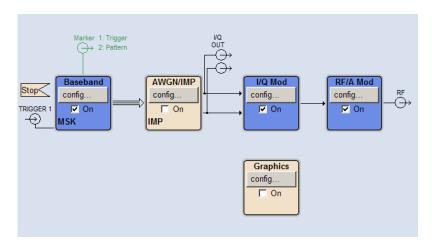


Fig. 4-2: Block diagram of the R&S SMBV

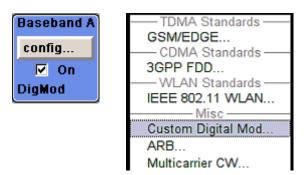
#### 4.2.4.1 Function Blocks in the Block Diagram

Each block represents a function of signal generation. The function is indicated in the headline of the block. In the check box, the respective function can be quickly activated/deactivated with the TOGGLE ON/OFF (CTRL+T) key. After activation, the block is displayed in blue. Status information is displayed below the check box. It is different for the different blocks.

Pressing the rotary knob (front panel) or the "Config..." button (mouse) opens the associated setting menu.

In all function blocks where the signal flow can be influenced, the top menu level for setting signal routing parameters is offered.

# **Example: Baseband block**



In this block, the digital modulation signal, the digital standards, arbitrary waveform generation and multicarrier CW are set. The status information of the "Baseband" block indicates the selected modulation and associated additional information, e.g. the number of channels.

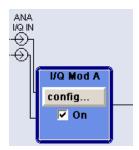
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#### 4.2.4.2 Signal Flow and Input/Output Symbols in the Block Diagram

The input/output symbols in the block diagram show the currently used inputs and outputs of the signal generator. Unused inputs and outputs are not shown. The lines indicate the signal flow.

Symbols and labels refer to the corresponding inputs and outputs on the front and rear panel of the signal generator. The direction - input or output - is indicated by an arrow.

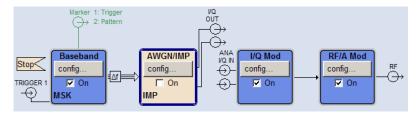
# Example:



The symbols indicate the inputs for the analog I and Q signal.

If several markers are active, the marker characteristics are listed next to the marker symbol of the active markers.

Symbols and lines are displayed in different colors depending on their function.



- The baseband signal is indicated by a three line arrow, the I- and Q-components of the signal by a single-line arrow.
- Connections are indicated by a "solder point".
- Black is used for the generated signal.
- · Green is used for control signals.

The signal flow is configured in the individual menus. User interfaces are configured in:

• the "Setup > Global Trigger/Clock/External Inputs" dialog.

## 4.2.5 Winbar and Softkeys

The "Winbar" with eight buttons is displayed below the block diagram. Labelled buttons represent open menus, the label indicates the menu. If several menus are open, the button of the currently active menu is displayed in a lighter colour. The buttons also assign functions to the softkeys of the next lower level for front-panel operation. Up to eight menus may be open simultaneously. When the ninth menu is opened, the menu that was opened first is automatically closed.

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Some menus, e.g. data and list editor menus, cover the "Winbar" and assign menu-specific functions to the front-panel softkeys by way of the menu buttons.

Any of the open menus can be activated either with the respective button in the "Winbar" or the front-panel softkey. In combination with the keys for menu operation (CLOSE (ESC), HIDE (CTRL+H) and REARR (CRTL+A)), convenient menu operation can be ensured.

Working with menus and dialog boxes is described in chapter 4.3, "Accessing Dialogs", on page 75.

# 4.2.6 Structure of the Dialogs

The parameters are set in the menus. Menus are accessed either via the function blocks in the diagram or by means of the MENU (CTRL+M) key. The menus are displayed on top of the block diagram.

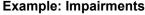
If the menu buttons assign menu-specific functions to the softkeys, the "Winbar" is hidden.

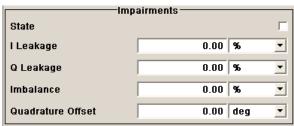
Working with menus and dialog boxes is described in chapter 4.3, "Accessing Dialogs", on page 75; the setting of parameters in chapter 4.4, "Setting Parameters", on page 76.

The menus are in Windows format. The menus differ in details depending on their function but they consist of the same main elements. Each menu consists of a menu header and one or more menu areas with various fields for setting parameters.

The header line contains the name of the menu and the buttons for minimizing and closing the menu. To operate the buttons, use the mouse or the front keys HIDE (CTRL+H) and CLOSE (ESC).

Several fields of associated but separately set parameters are organized in menu areas. A menu area is framed and labelled with the function common to all parameters.





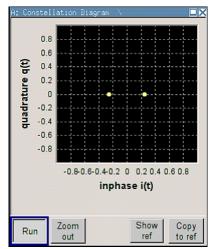
Each of the setting fields is assigned a parameter name. The kind of setting varies depending on the parameter to be set. Some settings can only be made in a specific configuration. If setting is not permitted with the specific configuration selected, the respective item is disabled and displayed in gray and the entry or selection field cannot be accessed.

**Accessing Dialogs** 

# 4.2.7 Graphical Display of Output Signal Characteristics

The graphical display of the output signal enables the user to rapidly check signal characteristics without connecting an analyzer. Zoom functions and the display of a reference trace allow in-depth evaluation. The diagram is displayed on top of the block diagram. It can be minimized and called in the same way as a menu.

**Example: Constellation Diagram** 



To access the "Graphics Settings" dialog for selecting the graphics display of the output signal, select the "Graphics" function block in the diagram or press the MENU (CTRL+M) key.

Operation of the graphics windows is analogous to menu operation.

The menu and the individual graphical displays are described in chapter 5.3, "Graphical Display - Graphics", on page 144.

# 4.3 Accessing Dialogs

The MENU (CTRL+M) key opens the complete menu tree. Selecting a functional block and pressing the ENTER key opens the menu associated with this block.

An alternatively way to access a dialog is to use the Winbar buttons or front-panel softkeys or to use the HIDE (CTRI+H), CLOSE (ESC), DIAGRAM (CTRL+D) and REARR (CTRL+A) keys on the front panel.

For a quick access to the dialogs, use one of the following alternative methods.

# Displaying the block diagram or a dialog in the foreground

- 1. Press the DIAGRAM (CTRL+D) key to move the cursor to the block diagram. All active menus are minimized and displayed in the form of Winbar buttons.
- 2. Press the associated softkey (CTRL+F1 .. F8) to display the dialog in the foreground again.

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#### Accessing the menu tree

▶ Press the MENU (CTRL+M) key to open the complete menu tree.

#### Calling the File, Setup or Hardcopy dialogs

▶ Use the FILE (CTRL+S), SETUP (CTRL+E) or HCOPY (CTRL+Y) keys to open the respective dialog.

#### Minimizing an active menu

▶ Use the HIDE (CTRL+H) key to minimize an active menu.

It is displayed in the form of a Winbar button.

# Automatically arranging displayed menus

► Press the REARR (CTRL+A) key to rearrange all open menus so that they overlap as little as possible.

# **Activating the Windbar**

▶ Use the WINBAR (CTRL+W) key to toggle the cursor between a button of the "Winbar" and the block diagram.

The button that was active last in the Winbar is highlighted.

#### Closing an active menu

▶ Press the CLOSE key to close an active menu.

**Tip:** If the cursor is at the highest menu level, you can also use the ESC key to close the active menu.

#### Accessing the header area

▶ Press the FREQ (CTRL+F) and LEVEL (CTRL+L) keys to activate the "Frequency" or "Level" entry fields in the header area.



### **Keyboard Shortcuts**

Keyboard shortcuts (e.g. "Ctrl + D" for the displaying the block diagram in the foreground) provide direct access to all utility dialogs of the instrument (see chapter 4.8, "Legend of Front-Panel Controls", on page 98).

# 4.4 Setting Parameters

The R&S SMBV offers several and sometimes alternative possibilities for setting parameters. Operation is possible from the front panel, with the aid of a mouse and/or from a PC keyboard.

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The examples whitin this description focus on the operation from the front panel.



For more information, refer to:

- chapter 4.8, "Legend of Front-Panel Controls", on page 98 for an overview of key functions and a cross-reference between the front panel keys and the keyboard shortcuts
- section "Instrument Functions" for a detailed description of key functions.

Most of the parameters are set in the different menus. The R&S SMBV provides alternative ways for accessing the dialogs. Turn the rotary knob and navigate to the corresponding block in the block diagram and press the knob to open the dialog or perform a mouse click on the "Config..." button.

An exception are the "Setup", "File" and "Hcopy" dialogs. In the "Setup" dialog, general settings are made which are not directly concerned with signal generation, e.g. setting of the GPIB-bus address. In the "File" dialog, files and lists are managed; in the "Hcopy" dialog, printout is configured and hardcopies can be made. These menus can only be called with the SETUP (CTRL+E), FILE (CTRL+S) and HCOPY (CTRL+Y) keys.

Frequency and level are directly set in the header area of the display using the FREQ and LEVEL keys.

Specific settings can also be made directly in the block diagram, e.g. activating a function block by means of the TOGGLE ON/OFF (CTRL+T) key or switching the RF output on and off with the aid of the RF ON/OFF (CTRL+R) key. Changes affecting the signal flow are immediately visible in the graphics display.

This section provides an information about the parameter handling that comprises of the following main steps:

- chapter 4.4.1, "Working with the Cursor", on page 77
- chapter 4.4.2, "Selecting a Control Element", on page 78
- chapter 4.4.3, "Switching Parameters On/Off", on page 78
- chapter 4.4.4, "Entering a Value", on page 79
- chapter 4.4.5, "Working with Units", on page 80
- chapter 4.4.6, "Selecting a Value from a List", on page 81
- chapter 4.4.7, "Terminating Entries with Confirmation", on page 82
- chapter 4.4.8, "Restoring the Previous Value", on page 83

#### 4.4.1 Working with the Cursor

After the instrument is switched on, the cursor is always on the first function block of the diagram (default setting).

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#### Moving the cursor on the display

- ➤ To move the cursor, use one of the following alternative methods:
  - a) Use the rotary knob or the arrow keys.
  - b) Use the appropriate softkeys (CTRL+F1..F8) to move the cursor to the "Winbar".
    - If the "Winbar" is covered by a menu, press the WINBAR (CTRL+W) key to display it in the foreground.
  - c) Use the ESC key.

**Tip:** Be aware that the function of the ESC key depends on the current cursor position. The function of this key depends on the current cursor position.

- Calls the next higher selection level.
- Closes the open window without accepting new entries; the old value or parameter is retained.
- In dialog boxes that contain a "Cancel" button it activates that button.
- Closes all kinds of dialog boxes, if the edit mode is not active.
- Quits the edit mode, if the edit mode is active.
- Switches between different entry fields of a menu.
- Shifts the entry cursor from the header display to the previously active menu, or to the previously highlighted block in the block diagram if no menu is active.
- Shifts the cursor from a function block in the diagram to the first item in the "Winbar". If no menus are open, the current cursor position remains unchanged.

#### Moving the coursor to the heading area

Press the FREQ (CTRL+F) or LEVEL (CTRL+L) key to move the cursor to the header area.

# 4.4.2 Selecting a Control Element

Control elements are always selected in the same way no matter whether a function block in the diagram, a menu in the menu tree, a parameter in the menu or an entry in a list or table is concerned.

► To activate an element, put the cursor on it.



An active element is highlighted by a blue frame.

# 4.4.3 Switching Parameters On/Off

A parameter can be activated and deactivated using a button or a check box.

1. Select the parameter.

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2. To change the state of a parameter, use the "Enter" function of the different control media:

- Press the rotary knob
- Press ENTER
- Press the TOGGLE ON OFF (CTRL+T) key.

Colour and label of a button change, the check box is ticked or the tick is removed.

# 4.4.4 Entering a Value

Numeric and alphanumeric values can be edited in the entry fields. In the editing mode, cursors of different colour are used. A blue cursor indicates the overwrite mode, a green cursor the insert mode.



#### Changing between the Insert and Overwrite mode

The insert mode is the default setting.

Use the INSERT key to toggle between the insert and overwrite mode.

Numeric and alphanumeric values can either be newly entered or the existing value can be changed. Incorrect entries are cleared with the BACKSPACE key.

# Entering a new numerical value

- 1. Select the parameter.
- 2. Press a numeric key to activate the editing mode.

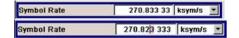
The previous value is cleared and the new value can be entered.

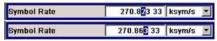
#### Editing a value in the insert mode (default setting)

- Press the rotary knob (= Enter) to activate the editing mode.
   If the cursor is placed at the right of the total value, the insert mode is always active.
- Set the cursor to the left of the number to be changed using the LEFT/RIGHT arrow keys.

The cursor is displayed in green.

3. Click on a numeric key to insert a new value.





#### Editing a value in the overwrite mode

- 1. Activate the editing mode.
- Set the cursor on the numeric digit to be changed using the LEFT/RIGHT arrow keys.The cursor is displayed in blue and the number to be replaced is highlighted.

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3. Click on a numeric key to overwrite the highlighted value.



#### Varying a value

- 1. Activate the editing mode.
- Set the cursor to the left of the number to be changed using the LEFT/RIGHT arrow keys.

The value at the cursor position is varied.

3. To vary the selected value, use the UP/DOWN arrow key or turn the rotary knob.

The value is increased or decreased.

#### Entering a new alphanumerical value

- 1. Select the parameter.
- 2. Press an alphanumeric key to start the editing mode.

The new value is entered.

# Editing an alphanumerical value

An existing value, e.g. a file name, can be changed in the insert mode (see example) or in the overwrite mode.

- 1. Select the paramter and activate the editing mode.
- Set the cursor to the left of the alphanumerical value using the LEFT/RIGHT arrow keys.

**Tip:** If hexadecimal values are to be entered, the numeric front-panel keys are automatically changed to hexadecimal values.

3. Click on an alphanumeric key to insert a new alphanumerical value.



## Terminating the entry of a numeric value

To terminate the entry of a numeric value:

- 1. Press the rotary knob (= Enter).
- 2. Press a UNIT key on the front panel.
- 3. Select a "Unit" in the selection field next to the parameter value.

# 4.4.5 Working with Units

The unit of a parameter is displayed next to the value. When the parameter is edited, the unit is selected either from the list or by means of the front-panel keys. When the entry

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is completed, the unit can be changed. In this case the value remains unchanged but is automatically adapted to the new unit.



While operating the instrument by means of a mouse, assign the unit to the selected parameter before entering its value.

#### Assigning a unit

To assign a unit to a value, use one of the following alternatives:

1. Press a UNIT key on the front panel.



Select a "Unit" in the selection field next to the parameter value. Press the ENTER key.

The unit displayed in the entry field next to the value is assigned.

#### Changing a unit

To subsequently change a unit, i.e. after the entry has been terminated and when the editing mode is not active, use one of the following alternatives:

- 1. Press a UNIT key on the front panel.
- 2. Select"Unit" in the selection field next to the parameter value.

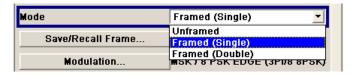
The value remains unchanged but the display is automatically adapted to the new unit, i.e. the value is recalculated to suit the new unit.



The new unit is indicated in the value field of the menu.

# 4.4.6 Selecting a Value from a List

Selection lists provide a list of predefined values for the selected parameter.



To select a item from a list, proceed as follow:

- 1. Press ENTER key to open the list.
- 2. Use one of the following alternatives to navigate through the list:
  - a) Turn the rotary knob or use the UP/DOWN arrow keys.
     The selected item is highlighted.

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b) Press TOGGLE ON/OFF key several times until the preferred entry is displayed in the selection field.

3. To confirm the selection, press the ENTER key.

# 4.4.7 Terminating Entries with Confirmation

The instrument behaves different by the termination of entries deppending on the parameter type and the way this parameter is set.

#### Confirming settings

► To confirm the settings, press the rotary knob or one of the UNIT keys (see also chapter 4.4.5, "Working with Units", on page 80).

**Note:** Variations by means of the rotary knob are immediately set.

#### Confirming multiple values

In some cases, like for instance when configuring the carriers for a multicarrier CW signal in a carrier table, it is useful first to enter few values and to confirm them together. Such settings require additional confirmation. Not yet confirmed settings are displayed on a yellow background as an indication that the currently displayed values do not represent the target signal.

► To confirm these settings, select the "Accept" button.

#### Confirming parameters with On/Off state

Most of the instrument functions with enabled and disabled states are calculated and effective only after this functions have been enabled. However, there are functions like the frequency variation of the reference oscillator for instance, that are immediately set after confirmation.

➤ To confirm a parameter with On/Off state, enable the parameter.

If time-consuming calculations are required, signal generation is automatically switched off and calculation is interrupted to allow the user to make further settings. Calculation is restarted with the RECALCULATE key and the modulation is switched on again when the calculation is completed.



#### Preventing recalculation

If an instrument function requires several parameter settings, switch the function off to prevent a recalculation.

Enable the function after the entire configuration of the settings have been compleated. The signal is recalculated only once.

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# 4.4.8 Restoring the Previous Value

Parameter variations with the rotary knob are immediately set and therefore not reversible.

Normally, values cannot be restored in the case of mouse control because no explicit confirmation is required in this case and entries are automatically confirmed when the entry or selection field is exited.

# **Restoring values**

In the case of front-panel control or operation from the keyboard, previous values can be restored as long as the new value is not confirmed, i.e. the entry is not completed.

➤ To restore the values, press the ESC key.

# Restoring values that require confirmation

All settings that are not confirmed with the "Accept" button but require this additional confirmation can be restored.

1. Press the ESC key.

A confirmation query is displayed.



Confirm with "OK" to abort the changes.
 Select "Cancel" to return to the dialog. The previous selected settings are displayed.

#### Restoring values after an extended calculation has been started

Calculation and setting might require different period of time. Many settings are made without noticeable calculation times; such operations are indicated by a "BUSY" message displayed in the status field of the header section.

A window with a progress indicates that the instrument performs an extended calculation that requires longer calculation time. The termination of such a calculation restores the previous values.

Press the ABORT button to terminate the calculation.

All previous values are restored.

# 4.5 Editors

The R&S SMBV provides user-friendly editors for defining data lists as well as control and marker signals. Lists containing frequency and level value pairs are used for the list mode and the user-defined level correction.

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Internally generated data lists can be used for digital modulation and digital standards; the same applies to internally defined control and marker signals.

The lists are saved to files and may thus have any length. The file name of the lists and the directory to which the files are saved are user-selectable. The file prefix is different for each list type and is permanently assigned by the system.

For information about file handling and overview of the automatically assigned file prefixes, refer to chapter 4.7, "File Management", on page 91.

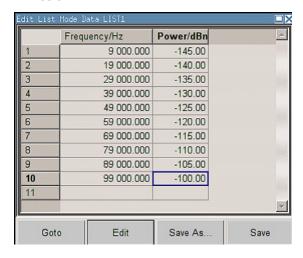
# 4.5.1 Working with List Editor

The "User Correction" and "List Mode" dialogs provide a list editor for defining the frequency/level value pairs.

#### Editing list mode data lists

To access a list editor and open an existing data list for editing, use the cursor keys
to select the associated button "Edit User Correction Data..." or "Edit List Mode
Data..." (if available) in the individual menu.

The selected list is displayed and the cursor marks the first row of the "Frequency/Hz" column.



If no list has been selected, a blank list of only one row is displayed.

- Press the LEFT/RIGHT arrow keys to change between the colums. Use the UP/DOWN arrow keys to mark a row.
- 3. Use the numeric keys to enter the value for the value pairs in the "Frequency/Hz" and "Power/dBm" table columns. A blank row is inserted at the end of the list. An existing list can be edited in the insert or overwrite mode; use the INSERT key to toggle between this two modes.
  Terminate the entry by pressing a UNIT key.
- 4. To select a row, select the "GoTo" button and press the ENTER key.

  Use the numeric keys to enter the row index in the entry field and press the ENTER key to confirm the entry.

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The cursor moves to the selected row.

5. To insert a new row in the table, select the row above which the new row is to be inserted and select "Insert Row(s)".

A row is inserted above the currently marked row.

If no row has been selected, a row is inserted at the beginning of the list.

6. Use the "Save"/"Save As..." function to save the edited list under its current name or under a new name

Enter the file name in the "File Select" dialog and select the directory (see chapter 4.7.1, "File Select Dialog", on page 93).

Only complete value pairs are taken into consideration; rows containing an entry in only one column are ignored.

#### Creating a new list mode data list

A new list can be created under a new name either by generating a blank file in the "File Select" menu (see section chapter 4.7, "File Management", on page 91) or by changing an existing list which will then be saved under a new name.

- To create an empty data list, select "RF > List Mode > List Mode Data... > New List" or respectively "RF > User Correction > User Cor. Data... > New User Correction Data" and enter the file name of the new data list.
- To open the data list for editing, select the associated button "Edit User Correction Data..." or "Edit List Mode Data..." in the individual menu.
   Edit the list and save it under a new name.

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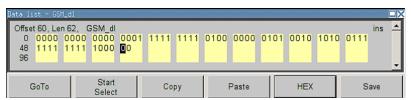
The "Data Editor" is used to internally generate binary data lists for digital modulation and digital standards.

A list of binary values with a maximum length of 2^31 bits can be entered in the "Data Editor". This value corresponds to a file size of approx. 268 Mbyte. While it is being processed, the file is continuously automatically buffered. When the dialog is exited, the file is automatically saved with the new values, i.e. there is no extra "Save" button. Depending on the size of the file, saving may take some time.

#### Editing an existing data list

1. To **access** a data editor and open an existing data list for editing, use the arrow keys to select the associated button "Edit Data List... " in the individual menu.

The selected data list is displayed.



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The cursor marks the start value of the list.

To increase readability, the bits are displayed in groups of four. The current cursor position, the length of the list and the list file name are displayed above the list. The offset starts with the value 0 which corresponds to the bit position on the left side of the first row, i.e. the beginning of the list. On the left edge of the editor, the last three offset positions are specified at the beginning of the row.

2. Use the numeric keys to enter the values 0 or 1.

An existing list can be edited in the insert or overwrite mode. Use the INSERT key to toggle between these two modes.

3. To **delete** a value, use the arrow keys to mark the bit that follows the value to be deleted.

Press the INSERT key to activate the insert mode. Values cannot be deleted in the overwrite mode.

Press the BACKSPACE key.

The value before the marked bit is deleted.

4. To select a bit position, select the "GoTo" button and press the ENTER key. Enter the bit position in the "GoTo Offset" entry field by means of the numeric keys and confirm the entry.

The cursor marks the bit at the selected position.

- 5. To **copy and paste** any range of bits at any position in the list:
  - a) Use the the arrow keys to mark the start bit of the selection.
  - b) Select the "Start Select" button and use the the arrow keys to mark the selection.
  - c) Click the "Copy" button.
  - d) Navigate to the insert possition and select "Paste".

The selected and copied bits are pasted after the selected position.

6. To **display and edit** the values in hexadecimal form, select the "Hex" button.

Each four bits are displayed as a hexadecimal value: To increase readability, the hexadecimal values in turn are displayed in pairs of two. The hex functions are automatically assigned to the numeric keys at the front panel.

7. To save the data list, press the ESC key.

The list is saved automatically when the dialog is closed.

#### Creating a new data list

- 1. To create an empty data list, in the individual menu select "List Management > Select Data List to Edit... > Create Data List" and enter the file name of the new data list.
- 2. To open the data list for editing, select the associated button "Edit Data List..." in the individual menu.

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# 4.5.3 Working with Control and Marker List Editor

The control and marker signals for digital modulation and digital standards can be very conveniently graphically defined in a "Control and Marker List Editor". The available marker signals – and, with custom digital modulation, the CW, Hop, Burst Gate and Lev Att control signals – can be defined in this editor.

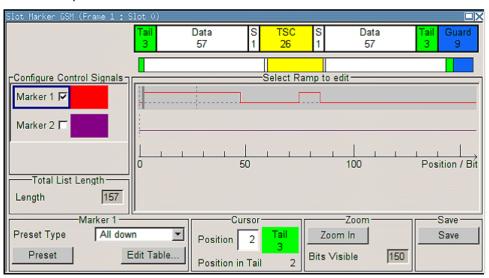
While it is being processed, the file is continuously automatically buffered. Depending on the size of the file, saving may take some time.



The various functions of the editor are explained in the individual menus. This section focuses to the general use of the graphic editor.

# **Example:**

The following figure shows the "Slot Marker Definition Editor" of the "GSM/EDGE" dialog as an example.



The upper area displays the signal for which the marker signals are to be defined. On the left side, the available signals (marker and control signals) are listed and colour-coded.

Auxiliary functions are offered in the lower editor area, e.g. presetting for the ramps in the marker signal, cursor positioning by entering the bit position and possible editing by means of value entries in a table.

The actual graphic definition of the control signals occurs in the center area of the editor. Each control signal is represented by means of a colored line along the bit axis. A cursor can be shifted alongside this line and marks the position where a ramp is to be set. The color of the cursor changes depending on the current function.

Use the ENTER key to switch over between the colors (and therefore functions):

- black: marks the bit position on the marker line
- yellow: sets a ramp
- green: activates the marked ramp for shifting.

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#### Accessing control and marker list

 To access the control list editor (e.g. "CList Dig Mod") and open an existing list for editing, use the arrow keys to select "Custom Digital Mod > List Management > Edit Control List".

 To access the slot marker list editor (e.g. "Slot Marker") and open an existing list for editing, use the arrow keys to select "GSM/EDGE > Burst Editor > Slot Marker Definition".

### Editing an existing control or marker list

1. Activate control/marker signal line for editing.

Use the arrow keys to mark the editable graphic area and press the ENTER key. Select the control/marker signal line to be edit and press the ENTER key.

The cursor is active for the selected line.

2. Define the cursor position.

Select the parameter "Cursor Position", specify the position by means of the numeric keys and confirm the entry.

The cursor is positioned according to the entry. If the entered value exceeds the selected length of the definition range, the length is adjusted automatically.

- 3. Configure the control and marker signals (see "Handling of Ramps" on page 88).
- Define length of control list ("Custom Dig Mod" only).
   Select the "Total List Length" entry field and press the ENTER key. Enter the length by means of the numeric keys and confirm the entry.

The control list length is defined.

5. Zoom displayed range ("Custom Dig Mod" only) in long control lists.

To zoom the displayed area around the current "Cursor Position", select the parameter "Visible/Bits Visible", enter the number of symbols/bits to be displayed by means of the numeric keys and confirm the entry.

Select the "Zoom In" button and press the ENTER key.

The selected number of symbols/bits around the current cursor position are displayed.

Ramps outside the displayed area are not lost by zooming.

6. Use the "Save"/"Save As..." function to save the edited control/marker list under its current name or under a new name.

Enter the file name in the "Create File" dialog and select the directory (see chapter 4.7.1, "File Select Dialog", on page 93).

#### **Handling of Ramps**

1. Set a new ramp

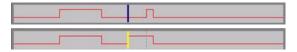
Use the arrow keys or use the parameter "Cursor Position" to move the cursor to the position where the ramp is to be inserted. Press the ENTER key.

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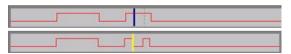
The ramp transition of the newly set ramp depends on the current status (high or low) of the control signal. If the signal is low, a ramp with low-high transition is generated; if the signal is high, a ramp with high-low transition is generated.



When ramps are set between existing ramps, the transition of the new ramp is also defined by the status of the signal before the new ramp. For this reason, a ramp that has already been set can be assigned low-low or high-high transition (as in the example), i.e. it will have no effect on the control signal in this configuration. However, the ramp remains saved, and its position is indicated by a dashed line.



If another change produces effective transition, this ramp will be regenerated.



#### 2. Shift a ramp

An existing ramp can be shifted to any positions. The transitions are adjusted accordingly.

Use the arrow keys to move the cursor to the ramp position; the cursor changes colour.

Press the ENTER key. The cursor again changes colour. The ramp will now be shifted by means of the cursor. Press the ENTER key. The ramp will be set at the current position.

The ramp transition depends on the status (high or low) of the control/marker signal before the ramp.



## 3. Delete a ramp

Use the arrow keys to move the cursor to the ramp position; the cursor changes colour.

Press the BACKSPACE key.

The ramp will be deleted. The ramp transitions of the other ramps are adapted to the changed signal status (high or low).

#### 4. Set the ramps in a table

Select the "Edit Table..." button and define the positions and states of the ramps for the selected marker.

Confirm the entries with "Accept".

#### 5. Preset a marker signal

Select the "Preset" button to preset the marker signal.

The ramps of the selected marker are adjusted according to the selected "Preset Type".

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#### Creating a new control list

A new control list can be created under a new name either by generating a blank file or by changing an existing list which will then be saved under a new name.

- To create an empty control list, select "BB > Cust Dig Mod > List Management... >
   Select Control List to Edit > Create Control List" and enter the file name of the new
   control list.
- To open the control list for editing, select the associated button "BB > Cust Dig Mod
   List Management... > Select Control List to Edit > Edit Control List..." and select an
   existing control list.

# 4.6 How to Use the Help System

The R&S SMBV is equipped with a context-sensitive help function. A help page is available for each parameter and can be called any time during instrument operation.

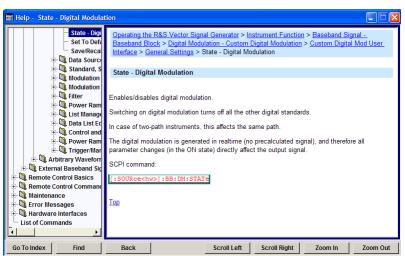


Compiled online help systems are also available for all functions of the R&S SMBV on the CD-ROM supplied with the instrument. This help program can be called on any controller with Internet Explorer version V4.0 and higher.

### Calling context-sensitive and general help

To display the general help dialog box, press the HELP (F1) key.

The help dialog is displayed. A topic containing information about the current menu or the currently opened dialog box and its function is displayed.



#### Contents of the help dialog box

The help dialog box contains two main areas:

- "Contents" contains a table of help contents
- "Topic" contains a specific help topic

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The help system provides additionally an "Index" and a "Find" area, as well as "Zoom" functions that are accessed by means of the corresponding buttons.

#### Navigating in the table of contents

- 1. To move through the displayed contents entries, use the UP/DOWN keys. Entries that contain further entries are marked with a plus sign.
- To display a help topic, press the "ENTER" key.The corresponding help topic is displayed.

#### Navigating in the help topics

- 1. To scroll through a page, use the UP/DOWN arrow keys.
- 2. To jump to the linked topic, press the link text.
- 3. Use the "Previous" or "Next" links to jump to the corresponding topic.
- Use the "Scroll Right" or "Scroll Left" buttons to shift the indicated area of the navigation window to the left or right.

#### Using the Index

- 1. Select the "Go to Index" button.
- 2. Enter the first characters of the topic you are interested in. The entries starting with these characters are displayed.
- 3. Press the ENTER key to change the focus.
- 4. Use the UP/DOWN keys to navigate and select the suitable keyword.
- 5. Press the ENTER key to display the help topic.

The corresponding help topic is displayed.

#### Closing the help window

Press the HELP (F1) key.

# 4.7 File Management

The R&S SMBV uses files to save all instrument data, i.e. system and user data.

The user data includes saved instrument settings, data for the different digital standards, lists for the List mode and the user correction as well as the waveforms for the arbitrary waveform generator.

The files are stored on the internal flash card of the instrument, on a USB-stick or on the a hard disk (R&S SMBV-B92). Both, the /var directory on the internal flash card or the /hdd directory on the hard disk (R&S SMBV-B92), can be used to save user-defined data. Any directory structure can be created on /var and /hdd. Some default subdirectories are predefined, but can be changed at any time.

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The /opt directory is a protected system drive and therefore unaccessible system directory. The files on this directory contain data that must not be changed. Therefore, this drive should not be accessed, since reconstruction of the system partition will lead to data loss. To prevent inadvertent deletion or overwriting of system files, this drive is not specified in the file menus.

Files can be exchanged either via a memory stick or a connected network. A memory stick is connected to the USB interface and is assigned the /usb drive. In the case of a connected network, all network drives that can be accessed are available. The files are accessed in a "Save/Recall" dialog in the individual menus.

The files are differentiated according to their extensions; each type of file is assigned a specific file content. The extension is usually of no consequence to the user since access to the files occurs in the individual menus where only the relevant type of file is available. See chapter 4.7.2.1, "Extensions for User Files", on page 95 for an overview of the supported file extensions.

The user data can be roughly divided into the following data types:

- Settings
   Settings, e.g. the frame setting of the GSM/EDGE standard, can be loaded and current setting saved to the specified file.
- Lists
   Lists, e.g. user correction lists, can be loaded. They can be generated either externally or internally. For internal generation, a new list must be created in the "File Select" dialog which will then be edited in the list editor of the individual menu.
- Complex modulation and control data
   User data of this type can be loaded. It can be generated either externally or internally.

   For internal generation, a new list must be created which will then be edited in the data and control list editor. These functions are offered in the "Data List Management" dialog of the individual modulation menu.
- Waveforms
   Waveforms are generated externally (e.g. by means of the R&S WinIQSIM2 program
   that is supplied together with the optional Baseband Generator R&S SMBV-B10) and
   can be loaded in the "Arbitrary Waveform Generation" dialog.



Softkeys are assigned to some of the functions and can be used for convinient operation.



For more information, refer to:

- chapter 4.8, "Legend of Front-Panel Controls", on page 98 for an overview of key functions and a cross-reference between the front panel keys and the keyboard shortcuts
- to section "Instrument Functions" for a detailed description of key functions.

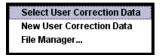
# Accessing files with user data

1. To access an editable user data file, select the "Save/Recall" or "File Manger" function in the individual dialog.

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2. To access a loadable data file, select the "Select/New" or "File Manager" function in the individual dialog.



3. To access the "File Manager" function, press the SETUP (CTRL+E) key and select "Save/Recall > File Manager".

A "File Select" window for loading, saving or creating a file or the "File Manager" dialog for managing all files is displayed.



# Saving and loading of all instrument settings

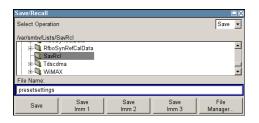
All instrument settings are saved and loaded in the "File" menu.

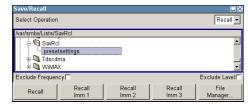
To access the "File" menu, press the FILE (CTRL+S) key.

For more information, see chapter 5.2.8, "Storing and Loading Instrument Data - File Key", on page 138.

# 4.7.1 File Select Dialog

The "Save/Recall" dialage displays the available drives and directories. In the upper part, "Recent Data Sets", the files last used are listed.





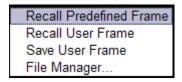
The available drives and directories and the files of the selected directory are displayed. The currently selected path is displayed above the window. Only the relevant files without file extensions are displayed. If the area is opened several times, the path last selected is displayed. When a file is saved or created, its name is user-selectable; the extension is assigned automatically and cannot be entered. The file is saved to the selected path.

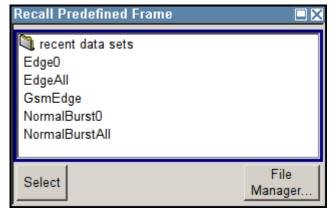
In addition to the files saved by the user, some menus also offer files containing predefined contents. These files are saved to a specific directory on system drive; for this reason, this directory cannot be chosen from the "File Select" menu.

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### Example:

The following example shows the "File Select" menu of the GSM/EDGE digital standard when "Recall Predefined Frames" is selected.





# Working with the File Select dialog

- 1. Access the "File Select" dialog (see "Accessing files with user data" on page 92).
- 2. Navigate in the "File Select" dialog.
- Load an existing file.In the "Recall Settings" dialog, mark a file and press the "Select" button.
- Save a file.
   In the "Save Settings" dialog, enter file name in the "File Name:" field.
   Select the directory to which the file is to be saved and then select the "Save" button.
- 5. Create a new file.
  - To create a new file, use the "Save Settings" functionality, i.e. specify file name and directory and save the file.

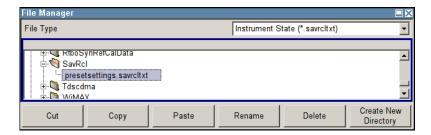
The created file is empty; it must be filled with the necessary values in the individual editor.

# 4.7.2 File Manager

The "File Manager" allows general file management such as copying, shifting, renaming and deleting files as well as generating new directories.

Thus, also externally created files, for example waveforms created by using the R&S®WinIQSIM2 program, can be saved to the R&S SMBV by copying them from a memory stick or a network to the internal hard disk.

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Use the "File Type" to select a file type form the list. This can be used to process either all files (all files (\*) selection) or a specific selection of files. See chapter 4.7.2.1, "Extensions for User Files", on page 95 for an overview of the supported file extensions. The available drives and directories and the files of the selected directory are displayed. The currently selected path is displayed above the windows. If the area is opened several times, the path last selected is displayed. Unlike the "File Select" window, the "File Manager" displays the full file names including extensions.

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- Accessing the "File Manager" dialog (see "Accessing files with user data" on page 92).
- Navigating in the "File Manager" dialog.
   Operation is similar to the operation of menus with several areas.
- 3. Moving, duplicating, deleting or renaming files To move a file, select the file and press the "Cut" button. Mark the directory to which the file is to be moved and select the "Paste" button. If the target directory already contains a file with the same name, a confirmation query is displayed to confirm overwriting of this file.

Perform the similar steps and cut/copy/rename/delete the file.

Tip: The operation corresponds to the Windows concept.

4. Creating a new directory Mark drive or directory level where the new directory is to be created, select the "Create New Directory" button and enter the name of the new directory in the entry window that opens. Confirm with ENTER.

### 4.7.2.1 Extensions for User Files

The following table list all available file extensions for user files. The currently available files on the instrument depends on the installed options.

Table 4-1: List of the automatically assigned file extensions in the instrument

Function/Digital Standard	List type	Contents	File suffix
Instrument State	Settings	Instrument settings	*.savrcltxt
"User Correction"	List	User-defined level correction values	*.uco
"List Mode"	List	User-defined frequency/level value pairs	*.lsw

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Function/Digital Standard	List type	Contents	File suffix
"Frequency Response Correction"	Settings	User-defined frequency response correction file	*.frc
"Arbitrary Waveform	Waveform	ARB waveforms	*.wv
Generator"		ARB multi segment waveforms	
	Waveform	ARB multi carrier settings	*.arb_mult carr
	Configuration data	Configuration file for creation of multisegment ARB waveforms	*.inf_mswv
	Play List	ARB Sequencing List	*.wvs
"DM"	Data List	Digital modulation data	*.dm_iqd *.tdm
	0 1 11:1		
	Control List	Data to control digital modulation	*.dm_iqc
	Settings	Digital modulation settings	*.dm
	User Standard	Digital modulation user standard	*.dm_stu
	User Mapping	Digital modulation user mapping	*.vam
	User Filter	Digital modulation user filter	*.vaf
"NRP Settings"	Settings	NRP Settings	*.nrp
EX-IQ-Box	User Settings	EX-IQ-Box User Defined Settings	*.iqbox
"Fading"	Fading	Fading data	*.fad
"GSM/EDGE"	Settings	GSM/EDGE settings	*.gsm
	Slot	User-defined slot data	*.gsm_slu
	Frame	User-defined frame data	*.gsm_fu
	Slot	Higher symbol rate slot	*.gsm_hslu
	Frame	Higher symbol rate frame	*.gsm_hfu
"Bluetooth"	Bluetooth Set- tings	Complete setting of the Bluetooth menu	*.bto
"TETRA"	TETRA Set- tings	Complete setting of the TETRA menu	*.tetra
"3GPP FDD"	Settings	Complete setting of the 3GPP (FDD) menu	*.3g
	Settings	Channel coding enhanced DPCH channels (downlink)	*. 3g_ccod_dl_s
	Settings	Channel coding enhanced DPDCH channels (uplink)	*.3g_ccod_ul
"CDMA2000"	Settings	Complete setting of the CDMA2000 menu	*.cdma2k
"TD-SCDMA2000"	Settings	Complete setting of the TD-SCDMA2000 menu	*.tdscdma
	Settings	Test Model for TD-SCDMA2000	*.tdtmd

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Function/Digital Standard	List type	Contents	File suffix	
1xEV-DO	Settings	Complete setting of the 1xEV-DO menu	*.evdo	
"IEEE 802.11 WLAN"	Settings	Complete setting of the IEEE 802.11 WLAN menu	*.wlan	
"IEEE 802.11 n WLAN"	Settings	Complete setting of the IEEE 802.11n WLAN menu	*.wlann	
	Settings	Beamforming data	*.bmf	
"IEEE 802.16 WiMAX"	Settings	Complete setting of the IEEE 802.16 WiMAX menu	*.wimax	
"EUTRA/LTE"	Settings	Complete setting of the EUTRA/LTE menu	*.eutra	
	Settings	TDD Settings	*.lte_tdd	
	Settings	User-defined IQ-File	*.iqw	
"GPS"	Settings	Complete setting of the GPS/A-GPS menu	*.gps	
	Settings	GPS Almanac Settings	*.txt *.alm *.al3	
	Settings	GPS Waypoints File	*.txt	
	Settings	GPS Generated Almanac File	*rs_al *.rs_yuma	
	Settings	GPS Ionospheric File	*.rs_ion	
	Settings	GPS Navigation Data	*.rs_nav	
	Settings	GPS UTC File	*.rs_utc *.rs_acq	
"FM-Stereo"	Settings	Complete setting of the FM-Stereo menu	*.fmstereo	
	Settings	FM-Stereo Group Type Settings	*.fm_gt	
	Settings	FM-Stereo Group Hex Type Settings	*.fm_ghex	
	Waveform File	Waveform File	*.wav	
"Sirius"	Settings	Complete setting of the Sirirus menu	*.sirius	
"XM-Radio"	Settings	Complete setting of the XM-Radio menu	*.xmradio	
	Settings	XM-Radio TWTA Data	*.twta	
"DVB"	Settings	Complete setting of the DVB menu	*.dvb	
	Settings	DVB Transport Stream	*.gts *.ts *.trp	

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Function/Digital Standard	List type	Contents	File suffix
"DAB/T-DMB"	Settings	Complete setting of the DAB/T-DMB menu	*.dab
	Settings	DAB ETI Files	*.eti
			*.xeti

# 4.8 Legend of Front-Panel Controls

The following table lists all key functions available on the front panel. Key combinations used on the PC keyboard to trigger key functions on the instrument front panel are also described. Keyboard labels are described in alphabetical order.

In addition, a front panel key emulation and an on-screen keyboard can be used for manual operation by mouse only.

Table 4-2: Cross-reference between the front panel keys and keyboard shortcuts

Front-panel key	Key of PC keyboard	Function
Turning the rotary knob	Tab key (towards the right) Shift + Tab (towards the left)	Sets the cursor with the rotary knob.
Pressing the rotary knob	Enter	Pressing the rotary knob confirms an entry; it has the same function as the ENTER key.
Arrow keys	Arrow keys	Moves the cursor.
*1 / dB(m)	ALT + F12	Confirms entries in the base unit and values without a unit.  Selects dBm for the RF level and dB for level offset and level step width.
. / *#	. / *#	Enters a period/decimal point. Enters a special character.
+/- / A<->a	- / (shift+) a—z	Enters the sign. Switches between upper-case and lower-case letters.
0-9 / az	CTRL+ 0-9 / az CTRL	Enters the number/letter.
BACKSPACE	Backspace	Clears the last entry (number, sign or decimal point)
CLOSE	CTRL + G	Closes an active menu.
DIAGRAM	CTRL+ D	Sets the cursor on the block diagram and hides all menus.
ENTER	Enter	Terminates an entry.
ESC	ESC	Selects the next higher menu/selection level. When the editing mode is exited with ESC, the previous value is restored.
FILE	CTRL + S	Activates the menu for storing instrument settings.
FREQ	CTRL+ F	Activates the frequency entry.

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Front-panel key	Key of PC keyboard	Function
G/n / dBuV	ALT + F9	Selects the unit Giga/Nano, dBuV for the RF level and dBu for the LF level.
HCOPY	CTRL+ Y	Opens the menu for configuring and starting a hard-copy.
HELP	F1	Opens/closes context-sensitive help.
HIDE	CTRL+ H	Minimizes the active menu. Pressing the respective button in the Winbar opens the menu again.
INFO	CTRL + I	Opens/closes the info window
INSERT	Ins	Activates the insert mode.
k/m / uV	ALT + F11	Selects the units Kilo/Milli and uV for RF levels.
LEVEL	CTRL + L	Activates the level entry.
LOCAL	CTRL + Q	Switches the instrument from remote control to man- ual control.
M/u / uV	ALT + F10	Selects the units Mega/Micro and uV for RF levels.
MENU	CTRL + M	Calls the menu selection list.
MOD ON/OFF	CTRL + O	Switches modulation on/off. "MOD OFF" is indicated in the status line.
TOGGLE	CTRL + T	Switches a block or parameter on/off.  Toggles between the different possibilities of setting a selection parameter.
PRESET	CTRL + P	Restores a defined basic instrument setup.
REARR	CTRL + A	Adjusts the size of the active menu to use the whole height of the dislay.
RECALCULATE	CTRL + C	Starts recalculation of the signal.
RF ON/OFF	CTRL + R	Switches the RF output signal on/off. "RF OFF" is indicated in the status line.
SETUP	CTRL + E	Opens the setup menu for general instrument settings.
Softkeys	CTRL + F1 – F6	Triggers the function assigned to the softkey.
WINBAR	CTRL + W	Toggles between the active menus.

# 4.8.1 Front Panel Key Emulation

The R&S SMBV provides a front panel key emulation to enable execution of the front panel key functions by mouse e.g. for remote access. The emulation is called by a right mouse click. The front panel key functions are executed by a mouse click on the associated button.

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Overview of Instrument Functions

# 5 Instrument Function

# 5.1 Overview of Instrument Functions

This chapter explains the functions of the R&S SMBV and the options available in the setting menus. The associated SCPI command is specified for each parameter (where applicable).

The description begins with the general instrument settings which do not directly affect signal generation. The majority of these settings can be accessed by means of front-panel softkey menus and not by means of function block menus.

One exception is, for example, the signal graphics which are called up in the "Graphics" block.

The signal generation functions are then described, beginning with the RF section functions which affect the RF signal and the analog modulations and which are compiled in the "RF/A Mod" block of the block diagram.

This is followed by an explanation of all functions which are in the signal flow prior to being fed into the RF block and which do not affect the internal generation of a baseband signal - I/Q modulation, noise generation and impairment of the digital signal. These functions are accessed by means of the function blocks"I/Q Mod "and "AWGN/IMP".

The remaining (and largest) part of the chapter describes the functions used for the internal generation of the signals in the baseband (these functions are provided in the "Baseband" block).

The general instrument settings include various functions, such as:

- Setting a defined basic setup using the PRESET key see chapter 5.2.2, "Default Instrument Settings - Preset Key", on page 104
- Switching from remote control to manual control using the LOCAL key see chapter 5.2.4, "Switching to Manual Control Local Key", on page 133
- Configuring the generator and its interfaces in the "Setup" menu e.g. setting the GPIB address, starting an adjustment, querying instrument data see chapter 5.2.3, "General Configuration of Instrument - Setup Key", on page 105
- Generating a hardcopy of the display using the HCOPY key see chapter 5.2.5, "Generating a Hard Copy of the Display", on page 133
- Calling up the online help using the HELP key see chapter 5.2.7, "Help System - Help Key", on page 137
- Querying messages using the INFO key see chapter 5.2.6, "Messages - Info Key", on page 136
- Loading and storing complete instrument settings in the "File" menu see chapter 5.2.8, "Storing and Loading Instrument Data - File Key", on page 138
- Calling up the baseband signal graphics in the "Graphics" function block see chapter 5.3, "Graphical Display - Graphics", on page 144

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The RF signal is configured and the analog modulations activated in the "RF/A Mod" function block:

- CW mode see chapter 5.4.1, "Overview of RF Signal", on page 154
- List mode see chapter 5.4.15, "List Mode", on page 227
- Sweep mode see chapter 5.4.14.1, "Overview", on page 208
- Analog modulations see chapter 5.4.12.1, "Overview", on page 189

In the "I/Q-Mod" function block, I/Q modulation is possible with external analog signals and internally generated baseband signals.

 I/Q modulator see chapter 5.5, "I/Q Modulation - I/Q Mod Block", on page 235

Noise can be added to the baseband signal and the baseband signal can be impaired before input into the I/Q modulator. It is therefore possible to output a baseband signal with impairments via the I/Q-OUT outputs ("AWGN/IMP" function block). Impairment is also possible during I/Q modulation ("I/Q Mod" function block).

- Impairing the signal see chapter 5.6.1, "Impairments", on page 249
- Adding noise see chapter 5.6.2, "AWGN - Noise Generator", on page 257

The baseband signal is available at the I/O outputs.

- Output of the baseband signal see chapter 5.6.3, "Output of the Baseband Signal - I/Q Out", on page 264
- Digital I/Q Output see chapter 5.7, "Digital I/Q Output Settings", on page 267

The R&S Signal Generator offers various possibilities for generating digital modulation signals in compliance with the definitions of digital standards or with characteristics which can to a large extent be freely defined. The range of software options for this is being extended continuously.

- Baseband signals Introduction
   see chapter 5.8, "Baseband Signal Baseband Block", on page 271
- External Baseband signals see chapter 5.9, "External Baseband Signal - Baseband Input", on page 384
- Digital modulation see chapter 5.8.3, "Digital Modulation - Custom Digital Modulation", on page 282
- Arbitrary waveform generator ARB see chapter 5.8.4, "Arbitrary Waveform Generator ARB", on page 323
- Multi Carrier CW signals see chapter 5.8.5, "Multi Carrier Continuous Wave", on page 370
- Digital standard GSM/EDGE see description "Digital Standard GSM/EDGE"

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- Digital standard 3GPP FDD (WCDMA) see description "Digital Standard 3GPP FDD (WCDMA)
- Digital standard CDMA2000® see description "Digital Standard CDMA2000®"
- Digital standard TD-SCDMA see description "Digital Standard TD-SCDMA"
- Digital standard 1xEV-DO see description "Digital Standard 1xEV-DO"
- Digital standard IEEE 802.11 (a/b/g) (WLAN) see description "Digital Standard IEEE 802.11 (a/b/g) (WLAN)"
- Digital standard IEEE 802.11n (WLAN-N) see description "Digital Standard IEEE 802.-11n (WLAN-N)"
- Digital standard IEEE 802.16 (WiMAX) see description "Digital Standard IEEE 802.16 (WiMAX)"
- Digital Standard EUTRA/LTE see description "Digital Standard EUTRA/LTE"
- Digital Standard XM Radio see description "Digital Standard XM Radio"
- Digital Standard DVB-H see description "Digital Standard DVB-H"
- Digital Standard DAB / T-DMB see description "Digital Standard DVB / T-DMB"

# 5.2 General Instrument Settings

# 5.2.1 Overview of General Instrument Settings

This section describes the settings which do not directly affect signal generation. Most of these settings can only be accessed by means of menus which are opened using keys or key combinations on the external keyboard or keys on the front panel key emulation.

This does not apply to the graphical representation of output signals which is activated in the "Graphics" function block, or settings which can additionally be called up in the menus of the function blocks, e.g. input configuration which is possible in the "Setup" menu and in almost every menu of the "Baseband" function block.

See also chapter 4.8, "Legend of Front-Panel Controls", on page 98.

The general instrument settings therefore affect various functions, such as storing instrument settings using the FILE key or setting the GPIB address in the menu of the SETUP key. The order in which the descriptions are given corresponds to the layout of the keys on the front panel of the R&S SMBV (from top left to bottom right).

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# 5.2.2 Default Instrument Settings - Preset Key

The PRESET key calls up a defined instrument setup. All parameters and switching states are preset (also those of inactive operating modes). The default instrument settings provide a reproducible initial basis for all other settings.

However, functions that concern the integration of the instrument into a measurement setup are not changed, e.g. GPIB address or reference oscillator source settings.

In addition, only those settings associated with the menu can be reset directly in the individual menus, e.g. all digital modulation settings in the "Custom Digital Mod" menu. These settings are identical to those which are called up using the PRESET key.

When the instrument is switched on, it is not the preset state that is active, but rather the instrument state that was set before the instrument was switched on.

User-defined instrument states can be stored and called up in the "File" menu.



Resetting the instrument to the factory state is possible with the Factory Preset function.

#### **Preset**

Presets all parameters and switching states.

The following list gives an overview of the presets for the most important generator settings. The other presets can be found in the preset tables of the individual menus and the information accompanying the remote commands.

- "RF frequency" = 1 GHz
- "RF level" RF output switched off
- "Offsets" = 0
- "Modulations State" = Off
- Uninterrupted level settings are switched off "Level Attenuator Mode" = AUTO
- Internal level control "Level ALC" = AUTO
- User correction "Level Ucor" = OFF
- "LF output State" = Off
- "Sweep State" = Off
- "List mode State" = Off

Settings that are not affected by the PRESET key

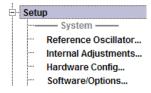
- Reference frequency settings ("Ref Oscillator" menu)
- Power on settings ("Level/EMF" menu)
- Network settings ("Setup" menu)
- GPIB address ("Setup" menu)
- \*IDN? Identification and emulation ("Setup" menu)
- Password and settings protected by passwords ("Setup" menu)
- Start/Stop Gui Update ("Setup" menu)
- Display and keyboard settings ("Setup" menu)

### SCPI command:

\*RST on page 436

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# 5.2.3 General Configuration of Instrument - Setup Key



The SETUP key opens the "Setup" dialog.

The "Setup" dialog is divided into several sections.

- The "System" section is used to set general instrument parameters.
- The "Test" section is used to perform function tests.
- The "Environment" section is used to configure the controller interfaces.
- The "Remote" section is used to configure the remote control interfaces.
- The "Protection" is used to set the protection level for service functions and security settings.
- The "Settings" section is used to save or recall instrument settings or to preset the instrument to factory settings.

Most submenus of this key can be accessed only via the SETUP key or the menu tree ( MENU key), with the following exceptions:

- The "Reference Oscillator" dialog can also be called up in the "RF" block and is therefore described in the section on this block (see chapter 5.4.4, "Reference Oscillator", on page 159).
- The "Save/Recall" dialog can also be called up with the FILE key and is therefore
  described in the section on this key (see chapter 5.2.8, "Storing and Loading Instrument Data File Key", on page 138.
- The "Global Trigger/Clock/ External Inputs" dialog is also available in all modulation menus of the "Baseband" function block where it can be called up with the "Global Trigger/Clock Settings" button in the corresponding "Trigger/Marker/Clock" dialog. See also chapter 5.2.3.12, "Global Trigger/Clock/External Input Settings", on page 121.

# 5.2.3.1 Internal Adjustments

The R&S Signal Generator is extremely accurate thanks to the integrated procedures for adjustments.

All internal adjustments for which no external measuring equipment is needed can be started in the "Internal Adjustments..." dialog. The adjustments with external measuring equipment are described in the Service Manual (on CD ROM, supplied with the instrument).

Adjustment is recommended if the temperature range in which the instrument is operated changes, or prior to all applications which require maximum level and frequency accuracy.

During adjustment a bar indicates the status of progress. If an error occurs, adjustment is terminated and an error message is output in the info line.

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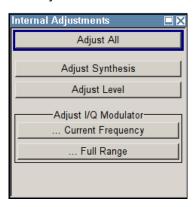
# NOTICE

# Risk of invalid adjustment

In order to achieve correct adjustment of the instrument, make sure that the instrument is warm before performing adjustments. The warm-up time is 30 minutes.

To access the "Internal Adjustments" dialog, press the SETUP or MENU key under "System".

The adjustments offered also depend on the installed options.



## **Adjust All**

Starts all internal adjustments for which no external measuring equipment is needed. The adjustments with external measuring equipment are described in the Service Manual (supplied).

# SCPI command:

:CALibration:ALL[:MEASure] on page 456

# **Adjust Synthesis**

Performs all adjustments which affect the frequency.

# SCPI command:

:CALibration<hw>:FREQuency[:MEASure] on page 457

# **Adjust Level**

Performs all adjustments which affect the level. The acquired correction values improve the settling time and the signal quality.

# SCPI command:

:CALibration<hw>:LEVel[:MEASure] on page 458

# Adjust I/Q Modulator Current Frequency

Starts the adjustment for the I/Q modulator for the currently set frequency, I/Q swap, and baseband gain. The I/Q modulator is adjusted with respect to carrier leakage, I/Q imbalance and quadrature.

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Adjustment for only the set frequency is considerably faster than adjustment across the entire frequency range. This is possible with "Full Range".

#### SCPI command:

:CALibration<hw>:IQModulator:LOCal on page 457

### Adjust I/Q Modulator Full Range

Starts the adjustment for the I/Q modulator for the entire frequency range. The I/Q modulator is adjusted with respect to carrier leakage, I/Q imbalance and quadrature.

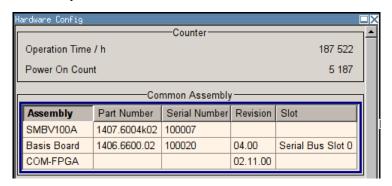
### SCPI command:

:CALibration<hw>:IQModulator:FULL on page 457

### 5.2.3.2 Hardware Config

In the "Hardware Config" dialog, the installed assemblies together with their variants and revision states can be displayed for servicing purposes.

To open the "Hardware Config" dialog, select "System" and press the SETUP or MENU key.



Section "Counter" in the upper part of the menu shows the "Operation Time" (in hours) and the number of power-on ("Power On Counter").

The second part of the menu is a table that lists the installed assemblies. It is divided into the sections:

- "Common Assembly"
- "RF Assembly"
- "Baseband Assembly"

### Operation Time / h

Displays the operation time in hours.

### SCPI command:

:DIAGnostic:INFO:OTIMe on page 461

### **Power On Count**

Displays the number of power-on.

### SCPI command:

:DIAGnostic:INFO:POCount on page 461

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## **Assembly**

The tables list the installed assemblies.

"Assembly" Assembly name

"Part Number" Part Number of assembly
"Serial NumSerial Number of assembly

ber"

"Revision" Revision state of assembly

"Slot" Indicates whether the assembly is connected to the serial bus or PCI

bus.

### SCPI command:

:DIAGnostic<hw>:BGINfo on page 460

# 5.2.3.3 Software / Options

The "Software/Options" dialog shows the firmware version of the instrument software as well as all installed hardware and software options.



Software options purchased at a later stage can be activated with a keycode. The activation code is supplied with the software option. How to install options is described in Chapter 4 of the Service Manual (supplied with the instrument).

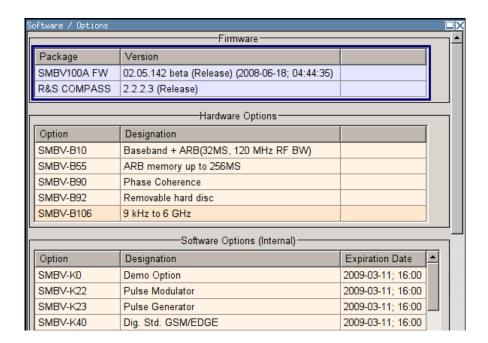
The installation of hardware options purchased at a later stage is also described in Chapter 4 of the Service Manual (supplied with the instrument). Most hardware options need to be installed at an authorized Rohde&Schwarz service shop.

To access the "Software/Options" dialog, select "System" and press the SETUP or MENU key.

The menu is devided into the following sections:

- "Firmware"
- "Hardware Options"
- "Software Options"
- "WinIQSIM"
- "Loaded Modules"

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### **Firmware**

The Firmware section of the menu shows the firmware version and the version of the software platform.

**Note:** Your instrument is delivered with the latest firmware version available. Firmware updates as well as the Release Notes describing the improvements and modifications are provided on the Internet at the download site of the Rohde & Schwarz Signal generator home page. This home page always offers the latest information on your signal generator, e.g. also on changes of the firmware update procedure.

SCPI command:

n.a.

# **Hardware Options / Software Options**

The tables in the sections "Hardware", "Software" and "WinIQSIM2" list the installed hardware and software options.

"Option" Short name of option

"Designation" Name of Option

"Licenses" (optional)

Number of licenses.

# SCPI command:

\*OPT on page 435

\*IDN on page 434

### **Loaded Modules**

Section "Loaded Modules" is provided for service purposes. It lists all loaded software modules with their versions and offers a short description of each module.

SCPI command:

n.a.

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# 5.2.3.4 Manage License Keys

This dialog is the central dialog for managing licenses, like enabling newly purchased and/or newly registered options or performing the required instrument related steps during the process of unregistration and/or moving of licenses.

An option is ready to operate after it is enabled by means of a license key code supplied with the option. The license key is delivered as a file or on paper. Unregistered licenses must be registered for a particular instrument prior to the corresponding option can be enabled for operation.



# **License Registration**

If your purchased license is delivered unregistered, you must register it before you can activate the option.

For detailed information about the license registration, refer to the installation instructions provided with the option (Supplement A) and the documentation of the online tool "Manage Licenses" (https://extranet.rohde-schwarz.com/service).



Only if the R&S Signal Generator is equipped with an older firmware version, a firmware update prior to enabling the software option may be required. The information on the valid firmware versions for the purchased software option is provided together with the option.

The firmware update is described in the service manual, chapter 4 (on CD ROM, supplied with the instrument).

## **Example: Moving a portable license**

This example is intended to explain how to perform the required steps at the instrument. Use an USB stick to transfer the license key files between the instrument and the browser.



We assume knowledge about the handling of the R&S License Manager online tool and the description of the whole process.

Open your browser an go to https://extranet.rohde-schwarz.com/service.
 Select "Manage Licenses > Move Portable License".

The first step requires the Device IDs of the source and target instruments.

- 2. To find out the Device IDs, proceed as follow:
  - a) On the source instrument, select "Setup > Manage License Keys > Device ID".

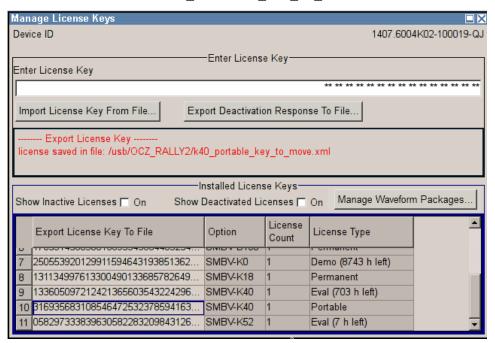


- b) On the target instrument, select "Setup > Manage License Keys > Device ID".
- In the browser, select "Manage Licenses > Move Portable License > Select Devices" and enter the Device IDs.

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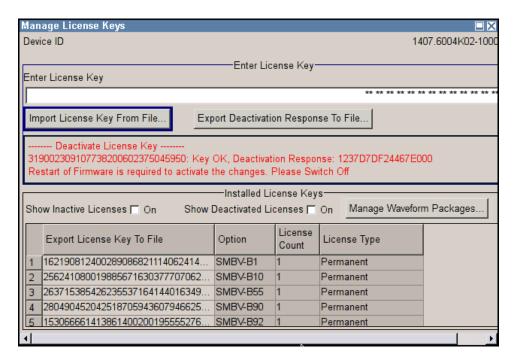
On the source instrument, select "Setup > Manage License Keys > Installed License
Keys table", navigate to the portable license you want to move and click on the "Export
License to File" column, e.g. R&S SMBV-K40.

A standard file manager dialog opens. Enter a user specific file name and save the exported license key, e.g. k40\_portable\_key\_to\_move.xml.



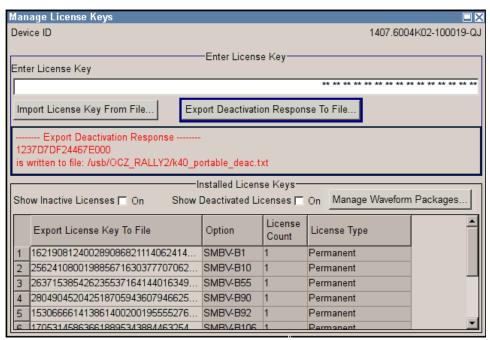
- 4. In the browser, select "Manage Licenses > Move Portable License > Select License (from file)" and select the exported license key.
  Check the selection, create the deactivation key and save it to file.
- 5. On the source instrument, select "Setup > Manage License Keys > Import License Keys from File" and select the transferred deactivation key.

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6. On the source instrument, select "Manage License Keys > Export Deactivation Response to File".

The instrument confirms the deactivation of the option. The deactivation key response is exported under the selected name, e.g. K40\_portable\_decat.txt.



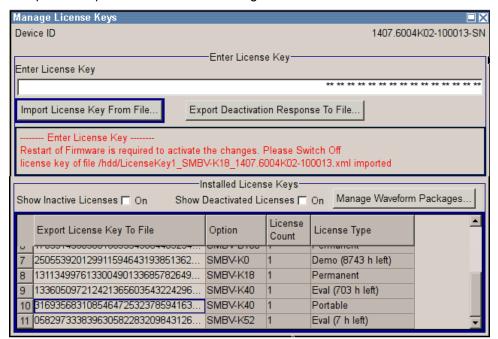
7. In the browser, go the step "Manage Licenses > Move Portable License > Install Deactivation Key (from file)" and enter the deactivation response of the instrument. The license is deactivated for the source instrument.

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8. In the "Manage Licenses > Move Portable License" go to step "Create License" to generate a license key for this portable option and the selected target instrument. Download the license key as a file and transfer it to the target instrument.

In the target instrument, select "Setup > Manage License Keys > Import License Keys from File" and select the created license key file.

The portable option is installed on the target instrument.



### **Device ID**

Displays the instrument specific identification number. The device ID is an unique string with the following structure:

<stock number>-<serial number>-<checksum>

# **Enter License Key**

Type here the license key provided with the option.

For license keys delivered as a file, use Import License Key from File....

# Import License Key from File...

Opens a dialog for selecting the file with the license key.

Use this function also to import the deactivation key file generated by the R&S License Manager online tool (see example "Moving a portable license" on page 110).

## **Export Deactivation Response to File...**

Exports the generated deactivation response key to a file and opens a file management dialog to save the file. This key is required during the unregistration process.

In case the unregistered option is a portable one, it can be afterwards registered at another instrument (see example "Moving a portable license" on page 110).

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### **Status Information**

Displays status information.

### **Show Inactive Licenses**

Enables/disables the display of the inactive (expire) licenses in the License Table.

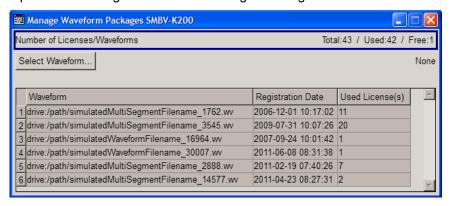
### **Show Deactivated Licenses**

Enables/disables the display of the deactivated licenses in the License Table.

See example "Moving a portable license" on page 110 for information on how to activate deactivated licenses.

### **Manage Waveform Packages**

Opens the "Manages Waveform Packages" dialog.



The waveform packages licenses are provided for the registration of waveforms. This kind of licences enables the instrument to play registered waveform file generated with the software R&S WinIQSIM2 even if the instrument is not equipped with the corresponding software option R&S Signal Generator-Kxy/-K2xy.

One waveform packages license per waveform is required. Once registered license cannot be moved to another instrument.

**Note:** One waveform package licence per segment is required for the registration of a multi segment waveform.

"Number of Displays the number of the available and used R&S Signal Generator-Licenses/ K200 licenses.

Waveforms"

"Select Wave- Opens standard dialog to select the waveform to be registered. form"

"License Gives an overview of the registered waveforms, the registration date Table" and the number of used licenses.

# License Table

Provides information about the currently installed options.

"Export Opens dialog to save the generated license key file. This file is required during the unregistration process. In case the unregistered option is a portable one, it can be afterwards registered at another instrument (see example "Moving a portable license" on page 110).

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"Option" Displays the option short designation.

Tip: Open the "Setup > Software/Options" dialog to retrieve more infor-

mation about the installed options.

"License Count" Displays the number of the licenses for the selected option key.

"License Type" Display the type of license.

A license type is a joint qualification for the duration of applicability and the portability of a license. The following license types are provided: evaluation, permanent, portable, quantified, timed with duration of 1, 3, 6 or 12 months. A license can also be in the states deactivated and

expired.

For time limited licenses, the left time of applicability is displayed too.

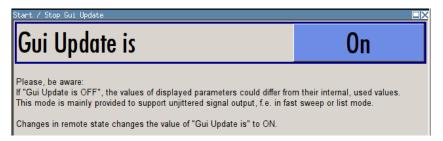
"Manage" Opens the "Waveform Packages License" dialog (see Manage Wave-

form Packages).

## 5.2.3.5 Gui Update

The "Start/Stop Gui Update" dialog provides the possibility to switch off update of the displayed parameters in order to increase speed for certain settings.

The indicated values are not updated and may therefore differ from the intern, used values.



# On/Off GUI Update

Switchs on/off update of the displayed parameters.

Switching off the update of the displayed parameters increases the speed for certain settings.

**Note:** It is especially recommended to switch off the GUI update for optimum sweep performance with short dwell times and for fast settling times.

### SCPI command:

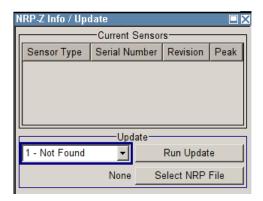
:SYSTem:DISPlay:UPDate on page 712

## 5.2.3.6 NRP-Z Info/Update

In the "NRP-Z Info/Update..." dialog, the connected power sensors are indicated together with their serial number, revision state and features. The software of a connected sensor can be updated to a new version.

To access the "NRP-Z Info/Update..." dialog, select "System" and press the SETUP or MENU key.

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### **Current Sensors**

Section "Current Sensors" lists the sensors that are connected to the generator and indicates their serial number, the revision state and some features.

### SCPI command:

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SENSe<ch>[:POWer]:TYPE on page 492

SENSe<ch>[:POWer]:SVERsion on page 492

SENSe<ch>[:POWer]:SNUMber on page 491
```

### **Update**

Section "Update" provides access to the file system in order to select a file for an R&S NRP sensor update (Button "Select NRP File"), the selected file is indicated to the left of the button. On the left side, the sensor to be updated is selected.

Button "Run Update" starts the update. If the update is interrupted for example by accidently pulling off the sensor, selection "Rescue" is offered to restart the update process. Prerequisite is that no other sensor is connected to the instrument.

The procedure is as follows:

- Do not reconnect the sensor but keep it ready to be connected
- Select "Rescue" in the left sensor selection field
- Activate "Run Update"
- Confirm query in message box
- Connect sensor within 4 seconds
   The update starts, a bar informs about the progress.

### SCPI command:

n.a.

### 5.2.3.7 Delete Temporary Files

To maintain sufficient amount of free disc space on the internal flash memory, the R&S Signal Generator provides a convenient way to delete the temporary files from the directory /var/smbv/unicod.



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### **Delete Temporary Files**

Execute this function to delete the temporary files from the directory /var/smbv/unicod.

The content of this directory are temporary files such as the wavefiles (\* . wv) of all ARB standards. Deleting the temporary files maintains sufficient amount of free disc space on the internal flash memory.

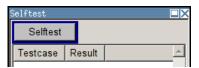
Another way to achieve more free disc space on the internal flash memory is to execute the "Factory Preset" function.

### SCPI command:

:SYSTem:FILes:TEMPorary:DELete on page 712

### 5.2.3.8 Selftest

A selftest is provided for service purposes. The selftest is a protected test procedure, which can be accessed if protection level 1 is disabled. The protection dialog is called in the "Setup" menu (see chapter 5.2.3.15, "Protection", on page 127).





The following tests are only available via remote control:

• :TEST<hw>:DIRect on page 719

# Selftest

Performs a selftest on all installed hardware options.

A list of the performed tests cases and the result of each of them (passed or failed) is displayed.

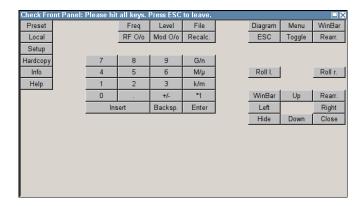
# SCPI command:

```
:TEST<hw>:ALL:STARt on page 718
:TEST<hw>:ALL:RESult on page 719
```

# 5.2.3.9 Check Front Panel

The "Check Front Panel" dialog is used to check whether the front panel keys are functioning correctly. The menu displays all the front panel keys arranged in the same way as on the front panel. The respective function is executed by pressing the associated key.

**General Instrument Settings** 



### **5.2.3.10** Date and Time

The "Date/Time..." dialog provides access to the system time and date settings. It is opened using the SETUP or MENU key under "Environment". The time is used on the internal controller.





To prevent accidental changes, "Date" and "Time" are protected functions. They can be accessed with protection level 1, see chapter 5.2.3.15, "Protection", on page 127.

# Date

Indicates the date in the format day.month.year.

In order to prevent accidental changes, this parameter is protected. It can be accessed with protection level 1, chapter 5.2.3.15, "Protection", on page 127.

### SCPI command:

:SYSTem: DATE on page 711

### **Time**

Indicates the time in the format hour.minute.second

In order to prevent accidental changes, this parameter is protected. It can be accessed with protection level 1, see chapter 5.2.3.15, "Protection", on page 127.

### SCPI command:

:SYSTem:TIME on page 717

# 5.2.3.11 Network Settings

The "Network Settings" dialog provides access to the network settings. To access this dialog, press the SETUP or MENU key under "Environment". The R&S SMBV is equipped with a network interface and can be connected to an Ethernet LAN (local area network).

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How to connect the signal generator to the network is described in chapter 2.6.1, "Connecting the Instrument to the Network", on page 39.

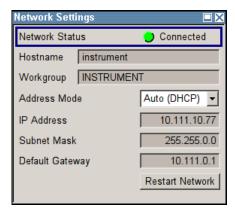
# **NOTICE**

# Risk of network errors!

Connecting errors may affect the entire network.

We recommend to coordinate the connection of the instrument to the network with the network administrator.

**Do not connect or disconnect** the network cable until the instrument is **switched off** (standby). Only then the network connection can be reliably detected and impairments to instrument operation can be avoided.



The dialog provides an access to the network settings, like settings about the general network environment and specific identification of the computer in the network, as well as an indication whether the instrument is connected to the network or not.

### **Network Status**

Indicates whether the instrument is connected to the network or not.

SCPI command:

n.a.

### Hostname

Enters the individual computer name of the R&S Signal Generator.

**Note:** The computer name can only be changed after protection level 1 is deactivated (see chapter 5.2.3.15, "Protection", on page 127).

A predefined name is indicated and can be used for network connections.

SCPI command:

:SYSTem:COMMunicate:NETWork[:COMMon]:HOSTname on page 708

# Workgroup

Enters the individual windows workgroup name of the R&S Signal Generator. This parameter is necessary in case the instrument is integrated in a windows network.

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**Note:** The workgroup can only be changed after protection level 1 is deactivated (see chapter 5.2.3.15, "Protection", on page 127).

### SCPI command:

:SYSTem:COMMunicate:NETWork[:COMMon]:WORKgroup on page 708

### **Address Mode**

Selects if the IP address is assigned automatically or manually.

"Auto (DHCP)" The IP address is assigned automatically.

The network used must support automatic assignment of IP address

via DHCP or APIPA (Zeroconf) in order to use this function.

"Static" The IP address is assigned manually.

SCPI command:

:SYSTem:COMMunicate:NETWork:IPADdress:MODE on page 708

#### **IP Address**

Displays the IP address. To enter the IP address manually, select "Static" Address Mode.

### SCPI command:

:SYSTem:COMMunicate:NETWork:IPADdress on page 709

#### **Subnet Mask**

Displays the Subnet mask. To enter the Subnet mask manually, select "Static" Address Mode.

This number is used together with the IP address to identify the network segment the instrument is in.

### SCPI command:

```
:SYSTem:COMMunicate:NETWork[:IPADdress]:SUBNet:MASK on page 709
```

### **Default Gateway**

Displays the IP address of the default gateway. To enter the default gateway manually, select "Static" Address Mode.

This address identifies the router on the same network as the instrument that is used to forward traffic to destinations beyond the local network.

### SCPI command:

```
:SYSTem:COMMunicate:NETWork[:IPADdress]:GATeway on page 709
```

### **Restart Network**

Shuts down the network connection of the instrument and subsequently re-establishes the connection.

This function can be used to resolve network problems.

**Note:** Only the connection of the instrument to the network restarts, the network itself is not affected.

## SCPI command:

n.a.

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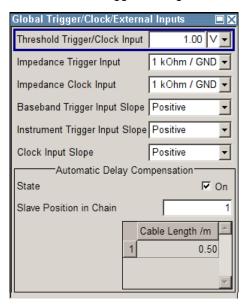
# 5.2.3.12 Global Trigger/Clock/External Input Settings

The "Global Trigger/Clock/External Inputs" menu can be opened using the SETUP or MENU key under the "Setup" menu as well as in all clock and trigger menus of the "Baseband" function block.

This menu is used to determine the physical characteristics of the input connectors for trigger, clock and control signals.

A common trigger threshold and input impedance is effective for all trigger and control signal inputs. The settings influence the digital modulations, the generation of waveforms or multicarrier signals, and all digital standards. These data sources are available for digital modulation (Custom Digital Modulation).

The instrument trigger setting influences all sweeps and is effective in the List mode.



### Threshold Trigger/Clock Input

Sets the high/low threshold in volts for the trigger and clock signal inputs of the baseband section.

The setting affects the TRIGGER input and the CLOCK IN/OUT connectors (BNC connectors at the rear of the instrument).

# SCPI command:

[:SOURce]:INPut:TRIGger:LEVel on page 635

### Impedance Trigger Input

Selects the input impedance for the external trigger inputs. 1 kOhm/GND should be selected for high clock rates.

The setting affects the TRIGGER input connector (BNC connector at the rear of the instrument).

### SCPI command:

[:SOURce]:INPut:TRIGger:IMPedance on page 635

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### Impedance Clock Input

Selects the input impedance for the clock inputs. 1kOhm/GND should be selected for high clock rates.

The setting affects the CLOCK IN connector (BNC connector at the rear of the instrument).

### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce]:INPut:CLOCk:IMPedance on page 634
```

# **Baseband Trigger Input Slope**

Selects the polarity of the active slope of an externally applied trigger signal.

This setting affects the INST TRIG input connector (BNC connector at the rear of the instrument).

### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce]:INPut:TRIGger:BBANd:SLOPe on page 635
```

## **Trigger Input Slope**

Sets the polarity of the active slope of an applied instrument trigger.

This setting affects the INST TRIG input (BNC connector at the rear of the instrument).

"Positive" The rising edge of the trigger signal is active.

"Negative" The falling edge of the trigger signal is active.

SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce]:INPut:TRIGger:SLOPe on page 636
```

### **Clock Input Slope**

Sets the polarity of the active slope of an externally applied symbol clock pulse.

This setting affects the CLOCK input (BNC connector).

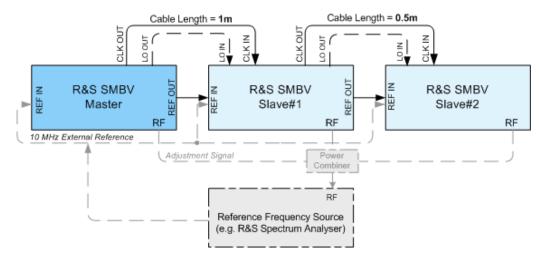
## SCPI command:

```
:CLOCk:INPut:SLOPe on page 459
```

# **Automatic Delay Compensation**

While working in a master-slave mode, the instruments are connected as daisy chain (see also chapter 5.8.2.4, "Synchronous Signal Generation", on page 277). The settings for automatic delay compensation enable each of the slaves to calculate and compensate the expected timing delay caused by the used cables. The calculation assumes an ordinary BNC cables that have a dielectrics with a permittivity of  $\mathcal{E}r = 2.7$ .

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"State" Enables the automatic compensation.

### SCPI command:

[:SOURce]:INPut:DELay:ADCState on page 636

in Chain"

"Slave Position Defines the position of the slave instrument in the daisy chain, where the slave directly connected to the master instrument is the one with number 1, etc.

# SCPI command:

[:SOURce]:INPut:DELay:SPOSition on page 636

"Cable Length"

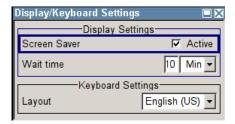
Sets the total length of the cable used to connect the CLK OUT and CLK IN connectors. For the first slave in the chain, the value represents the cable length between the master and the first slave; for the second slave, the cable length to the first and to the second has to be defined, etc.

## SCPI command:

[:SOURce]:INPut:DELay:CLENgth<ch> on page 637

#### 5.2.3.13 **Display/Keyboard Settings**

In the "Display/Keyboard Settings" menu the power-save mode and external keyboard settings are made. It is opened using the SETUP or MENU key under "Environment".



### **Screen Saver Active**

Activates/deactivates the screen-save mode of the display.

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If activated, the display including backlight is completely switched off after the elapse of the "Wait Time" when no entries via front panel, external mouse or external keyboard are made.

This mode is recommended for preserving the display especially if the instrument is exclusively operated via remote control.

# SCPI command:

```
:DISPlay:PSAVe[:STATe] on page 463
```

### **Wait Time**

Enters the idle time that must elapse before the display lamp is shut off when no entries are made.

### SCPI command:

```
:DISPlay:PSAVe:HOLDoff on page 463
```

# Layout (Keyboard)

Selects the keyboard layout for the selected keyboard language.

The assignment of some keys depends on the selected layout and language.

### SCPI command:

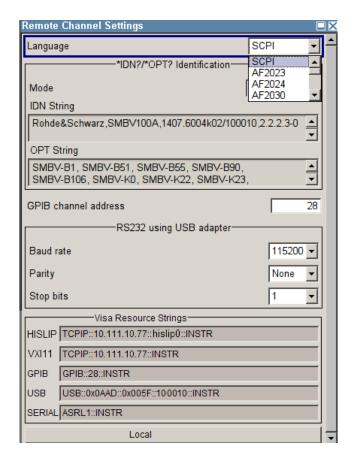
```
:KBOard:LAYout on page 472
:KBOard:LANGuage on page 472
```

# 5.2.3.14 Remote Channel Settings

The "Remote Channel Settings" dialog provides access to the settings for remote control. The dialog is opened using the SETUP or MENU key under "Remote".

Besides the standard GPIB-setting, the selection of one of the possible emulations and a user defined definition of the \*IDN and \*OPT string is possible.

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### Language

Selects the instrument whose remote command set is emulated by the R&S SMBV.

The R&S SMBV can also be remote controlled via the command set of several other generators, e.g. of an HP generator. You find the available command sets for the generator in the selection list. This feature allows to replace a generator by an R&S SMBV in existing test setups. Refer to the corresponding Application Note at the download area of the product site on the Internet. The Application Note is also provided on the user documentation CD-ROM (included in delivery).

The selected instrument also defines the identification string that is retrieved with query \*IDN?. If required, use the parameter "Mode" and "IDN String" to change this string.

As any other parameter, the remote control command set can also be changed remotely by means of the SCPI command SYST: LANG. However, this remote control command is enabled only in the instrument's specific SCPI command set, i.e. it is possible to change the command set remotely from the original one (SYST: LANG SCPI) to the command set to be emulated but not vice versa.

**Note:** While working in a emulation mode, the R&S SMBV specific command set is disabled, i.e. the SCPI command SYST: LANG will be discarded.

To return to the SCPI command set of the R&S SMBV, use the appropriate command of the selected command set. If for example a HP generator is emulated, the HP command  $\mathbb{E} \mathbb{X}$  returns to the instrument-specific GPIB command set.

### SCPI command:

:SYSTem:LANGuage on page 715

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### **Identification Mode**

Selects the way the instrument identification is performed.

"Automatic" The "IDN String" and the "OPT String" are set automatically for the

instrument select with the parameter "Language".

for the instrument selected with the parameter "Language".

#### SCPI command:

:SYSTem:IDENtification on page 714

### Set to default

Overwrites the user-defined \*IDN and \*OPT strings with default strings.

The default strings vary depending on the selected emulation mode (Language)

SCPI command:

n.a.

### **IDN String**

Indicates the identification string of the instrument when queried with the common command \*IDN?.

In addition to the preset values, a user defined identification string can be entered, e.g. to provide individual identification for each generator, like 'MY\_R&S SMBV' for instance.

SCPI command:

\*IDN?

## **OPT String**

Indicates the option string of the instrument as queried with common command \*OPT?.

If a "User Defined" Identification Mode is selected, a user defined option string can be created, additionally to the automatically created one.

SCPI command:

\*OPT?

# **GPIB** channel address

Sets the GPIB address of the instrument.

SCPI command:

```
:SYSTem:COMMunicate:GPIB[:SELF]:ADDRess on page 707
```

# RS232 using USB adapter

Requires a USB serial adapter (recommended extra, see data sheet)

Sets the parameters of the serial interface.

Either a RS232 interface or a Bluetooth connection can be used for remote control via the serial interface. The settings are effective for both interfaces (see also chapter 5.2.3.16, "Security", on page 128).

### SCPI command:

```
:SYSTem:COMMunicate:SERial:BAUD on page 710
:SYSTem:COMMunicate:SERial:PARity on page 711
:SYSTem:COMMunicate:SERial:SBITs on page 711
```

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### **Visa Resource Strings**

Indicates the visa resource strings, used for remote control of the instrument. A separate string is provided for remote control via the different interfaces.

### SCPI command:

```
:SYSTem:COMMunicate:HISLip:RESource on page 707
:SYSTem:COMMunicate:NETWork:RESource on page 709
:SYSTem:COMMunicate:SOCKet:RESource on page 711
:SYSTem:COMMunicate:GPIB:RESource on page 710
:SYSTem:COMMunicate:USB:RESource on page 710
:SYSTem:COMMunicate:SERial:RESource on page 710
```

# **Local (Remote Channel Settings)**

Switches the instrument to operate in local control mode.

Switching from remote to local control mode can be also done with one of the following actions:

- manually with the LOCAL key on the front panel
- with the interface command &GTL via the remote-control interface
- with the key combination CTRL + Q.

### SCPI command:

&GTL

### **5.2.3.15** Protection

This "Protection" dialog provides access to the unlocking of different protection levels. To open this dialog, use the SETUP or MENU key under "Protection".

After the instrument has been switched on, the protection levels 1 to 5 are automatically activated. To deactivate the protection, the correct password has to be entered. With the corresponding check boxes, you can activate the protection again.



The following functions are protected in the rerspective levels:

- Protection Level 1
   protects against accidental changes to certain settings, such as clock and date, network settings or instrument names, etc. This level is accessible to the user.
- Protection Level 2
   provides access to the unlocking of protected service functions. It is accessible to
   authorized personnel of R&S Service Departments only.
- Protection Level 3-5 are reserved for factory internal use.

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#### **Protection Level/Password**

Protection Level 1 can be activated to expand the functionality of the internal adjustment and to access the selftests.

The password is 123456.

SCPI command:

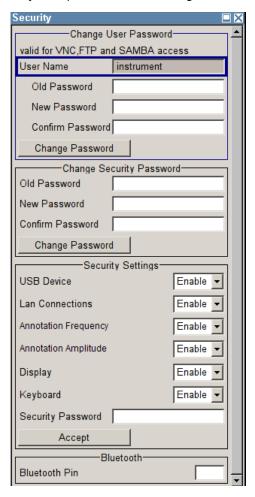
:SYSTem:PROTect<ch>[:STATe] on page 716

### 5.2.3.16 Security

The "Security" dialog provides access to the passwords and mass storage security settings. To open this menu, use the SETUP or MENU key under "Protection".

The menu is divided into the password sections and the security settings section. In the password section, the passwords for securing a controlled access to the instrument are defined and changed.

A change of passwords for the operating system and security password requires the entry of the old and new password and the conformation of the new password. All settings are only accepted after the "Change Password" button is pressed.



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#### **User Name**

Indicates the user name used for access to the Linux operating system and valid for VNC, FTP and SAMBA access.

The user name and password are required for remote access to the instrument via VNC, FTP or SAMBA.

SCPI command:

n.a.

#### Old Password (User Password)

Enters the currently used user password. The default password is "instrument".

**Note:** It is highly recommended to change the default user password before connecting the instrument to the network.

# **New Password (User Password)**

Enters the new security password.

The security password may contain decimal characters only.

SCPI command:

n.a.

### **Confirm Password (User Password)**

Enters the new password for conformation.

The new password is only valid after the "Change Password" button is pressed.

SCPI command:

n.a.

# **Change Password (User Password)**

Changes the password accordingly.

SCPI command:

n.a.

#### **Old Password (Security Password)**

Enters the currently used security password. The default password is '123456'.

**Note:** It is highly recommended to change the default security password before connecting the instrument to the network.

The security password is required when changing the status of the USB and LAN interface.

SCPI command:

n.a.

# **New Password (Security Password)**

Enters the new security password.

The security password may contain decimal characters only.

SCPI command:

n.a.

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#### **Confirm Password (Security Password)**

Enters the new password for conformation.

The new password is only valid after the "Change Password" button is pressed.

SCPI command:

n.a.

# **Change Password (Security Password)**

Changes the password accordingly.

SCPI command:

n.a.

#### **USB Device**

Enables/disables the USB interfaces.

The instrument does not recognize any device connected to the USB interface when the interface is disabled.

The setting requires the entry of the security password and is only accepted after the "Accept" button is pressed.

SCPI command:

n.a.

#### **LAN Connection**

Enables/disables the LAN interface.

It is not possible to access the instrument via LAN while the LAN connection is disabled.

The setting requires the entry of the security password and is only accepted after the "Accept" button is pressed.

SCPI command:

n.a.

# Annotation Frequency

Enables/disables the display of the currently used frequency in the header of the instrument.

The setting requires the entry of the security password and is only accepted after the "Accept" button is pressed.

SCPI command:

:DISPlay:ANNotation:FREQuency on page 462

# **Annotation Amplitude**

Enables/disables the display of the currently selected level in the header of the instrument.

The setting requires the entry of the security password and is only accepted after the "Accept" button is pressed.

SCPI command:

:DISPlay:ANNotation:AMPLitude on page 461

# **Display**

Enables/disables the display.

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If this parameter is disabled, the instrument cannot be operated manually via the user interface, i.e. display, front panel keys and external keyboard are disabled. Remote control of the insrument is enabled.

The setting requires the entry of the security password and is only accepted after the "Accept" button is pressed.

#### SCPI command:

:SYSTem:DLOCk on page 712

## Keyboard

Enables/disables an external keyboard and mouse connected to the instrument, the front pannel keys of the instrument, the rotary knob and the on-screen keyboard.

If this parameter is disabled, the instrument cannot be manually controlled but changes in the settings are shown on the display. Remote access and remote control are enabled.

The setting requires the entry of the security password and is only accepted after the "Accept" button is pressed.

To enable the keyboard, type the security password on the external keyboard or use the SYST: KLOC OFF command over remote control.

#### SCPI command:

:SYSTem:KLOCk on page 715

# **Security Password**

Enters the password that is required to enable or to disable the settings protected by a security password. Default is '123456'.

**Note:** It is highly recommended to change the default security password before connecting the instrument to the network.

All settings are only accepted after the "Accept" button is pressed.

SCPI command:

n.a.

# **Accept - Security**

Accepts a new entry or selection and changes the settings accordingly.

SCPI command:

n.a.

# **Bluetooth Pin**

Requires a USB Bluetooth adapter (recommended extra, see data sheet).

Enters the Bluetooth pin of an external Bluetooth device. The pin is required to enable remote control via an external Bluetooth device.

The interface parameters are identical to the RS232 interface parameters and can be set in the "Remote Channel Settings" dialog (see "RS232 using USB adapter" on page 126).

SCPI command:

n.a.

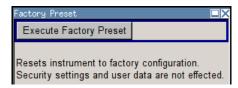
**General Instrument Settings** 

#### 5.2.3.17 Save/Recall

The "Save/Recall" submenu can also be called up with the FILE key and is therefore described in the section of this key (see chapter 5.2.8, "Storing and Loading Instrument Data - File Key", on page 138).

# 5.2.3.18 Factory Preset

The "Factory Preset" dialog provides a function to reset the instrument's settings to their factory state. This function is activated by pressing the "Execute Factory Preset" button.



#### **Factory Preset**

Reset the instrument's settings to their factory state.

**Note:** Since Factory Preset resets the Remote Channel and network settings to the default values, executing Factory Preset via remote control terminates the connection to the instrument, if these settings had been configured to values different to the default ones!

The factory preset function resets nearly all instrument settings. In addition to the regular preset by means of the PRESET key, a "Factory Preset" resets also the following values:

- Reference frequency settings ("Ref Oscillator" menu)
- Power on settings ("Level/EMF" menu)
- Network settings including hostname ("Setup" menu)
- Remote Channel settings including GPIB address ("Setup" menu)
- Start/Stop Gui Update ("Setup" menu)
- Display and keyboard settings ("Setup" menu).

To maintain security, password settings and all settings protected by these passwords like disabled USB and LAN connections are not changed.

Not affected by the "Factory Preset" are also user data, lists or instrument settings files, created for example by means of the Save/Recall function.

# SCPI command:

:SYSTem:FPReset on page 438

# 5.2.3.19 Help

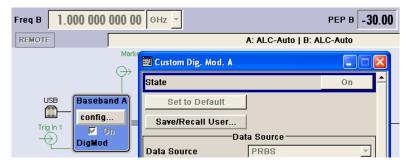
The "Help" dialog offers comprehensive online help for the R&S Signal Generator. A desired topic can be selected via the table of contents (select "Manual") or the index (select "Index").

For context-sensitive information about a marked parameter, press the HELP key. For a description of the "Help" menu, refer to the section covering to the HELP key (see chapter 5.2.7, "Help System - Help Key", on page 137).

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# 5.2.4 Switching to Manual Control - Local Key

In remote control mode a status message appears in the display header. The rest of the display remains unchanged and shows the current instrument status, i.e. the status which exists under the remote control settings. The instrument can be operated (e.g. menus can be opened). However, it is not possible to enter or change values.



The status message additionally indicates whether the LOCAL key is disabled or enabled.

See also chapter 6.2.1, "Switching to Remote Control", on page 400.

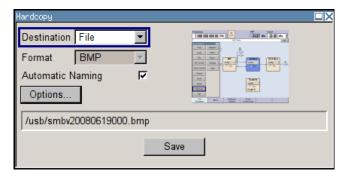
If the "REMOTE" status message is shown, the LOCAL key switches the instrument from remote control to manual control. The current command must be fully processed before the mode is switched, otherwise the instrument switches immediately back to remote control.

If the "REM-LLO" status message is displayed, the instrument can be switched from remote control to manual control by means of remote control only (e.g. with the Visual Basic command CALL IBLOC (generator%)); the LOCAL key is disabled. The key is disabled by remote control with the command LLO.

When switching from remote to manual control, the display update suppression function, if active ("SETUP > GUI Update" is Off), is automatically deactivated ("SETUP > GUI Update" is On).

# 5.2.5 Generating a Hard Copy of the Display

The HCOPY key opens a window for configuring the hardcopy setting, like output file format, path and file name.



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### 5.2.5.1 Hardcopy Dialog

#### **Destination**

Indicates that the hardcopy is stored in a file (see also "File Options" on page 135).

SCPI command:

```
:HCOPy:DEVice on page 466
```

# **Options**

Opens the Hardcopy Options dialog for configuring the hardcopy parameters (see "File Options" on page 135.

SCPI command:

n.a.

#### **File**

Some configuration parameters are already offered in the Hardcopy dialog. All configuration parameters are available in "File Options" on page 135.

# **Automatic Naming**

Activates, deactivates automatic generation of the file name. Automatic naming is configured in the "Options..." submenu, see "File Options" on page 135.

SCPI command:

```
:HCOPy:FILE[:NAME]:AUTO:STATe on page 471
```

#### File Info

Indicates the file name. The file name can be entered either manually via the file manager (button "File...") or generated automatically (Automatic naming checkbox). Automatic naming is configured in the "Options..." submenu.

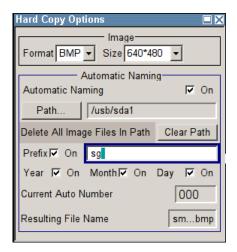
#### SCPI command:

```
:HCOPy:FILE[:NAME] on page 467
:HCOPy:FILE[:NAME]:AUTO:FILE on page 468
```

# 5.2.5.2 Hardcopy Options

This section describes the "Hardcopy Options" dialog.

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#### **File Options**

Dialog for setting the file parameters.

"Size"

Defines the size of the bitmap in terms of pixels. The first value of the size setting defines the width, the second value the height of the image.

#### SCPI command:

:HCOPy:IMAGe:SIZE on page 471

"Format" Selects the image format. Several bitmap formats are available.

#### SCPI command:

:HCOPy:DEVice:LANGuage on page 466

"Automatic Naming"

Determines the rules to create the file names and sets the directory the files are saved into.

As default the automatically generated file name is composed of: <Path>/<Prefix><YYYY><MM><DD><Number>.<Format>

Each component can be deactivated/activated separately to individually design the file name. The resulting file name is indicated.

"Path..."

Opens the "Select Hard Copy Destination Path" dialog to select a path for storing the hardcopy.

**Note:** For selecting the destination path a file name must be entered as well. Otherwise the error message "The name of a list may not be empty" is displayed and the selection will be canceled.

Directory, path and file name are displayed in the infoline right to the "Path" button.

#### SCPI command:

:HCOPy:FILE[:NAME]:AUTO:DIRectory on page 467

:HCOPy:FILE[:NAME]:AUTO on page 467

"Clear Path"

Deletes all image files with extensions bmp, img, png, xpm and csv in the directory set for automatic naming.

Before deleting the image files a warning message is displayed requiring the confirmation.

#### SCPI command:

:HCOPy:FILE[:NAME]:AUTO:DIRectory:CLEar on page 468

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"Prefix"

Activates the usage of the prefix in the automatic file name. The prefix is entered in the field to the right of checkbox.

#### SCPI command:

```
:HCOPy:FILE[:NAME]:AUTO[:FILE]:PREFix:STATe on page 470
```

"Enter prefix"

Enters the prefix for the automatically generated file name. The use of the prefix is activated in the checkbox to the left.

#### SCPI command:

```
:HCOPy:FILE[:NAME]:AUTO[:FILE]:PREFix on page 470
```

"Date - Year / Month / Day"

Defines the components of the automatically generated file name. The selectable parameters are year, month and day. If activated the current year, month or day used in the file name.

#### SCPI command:

```
:HCOPy:FILE[:NAME]:AUTO[:FILE]:YEAR:STATe on page 470
:HCOPy:FILE[:NAME]:AUTO[:FILE]:MONTh:STATe on page 469
:HCOPy:FILE[:NAME]:AUTO[:FILE]:DAY:STATe on page 469
```

"Current Auto Number"

Indicates the number which is used in the automatically generated file name

Note: On initially switching on the device the number will be reset to the lowest possible value. Starting with number 0 the output directory will be scanned for already existing files. As long as files with the same name are existing the number will be increased by 1. The number will be automatically set to a number so that the resulting file name will be unique within the selected path. The current number will not be saved in the save recall file but will be temporarily stored within the database.

On subsequent saves the number will be increased.

## SCPI command:

```
:HCOPy:FILE[:NAME]:AUTO[:FILE]:NUMBer on page 469
```

"Resulting File Indicates the automatically generated file name. Name"

#### SCPI command:

```
:HCOPy:FILE[:NAME]:AUTO:FILE on page 468
```

#### Save

Triggers the generation of a hardcopy.

#### SCPI command:

```
:HCOPy[:EXECute] on page 466
```

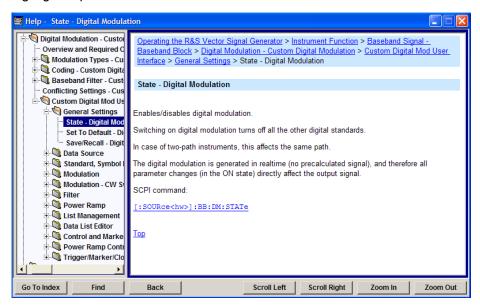
#### 5.2.6 Messages - Info Key

The INFO key opens a window containing a detailed description of every message displayed in the info bar, see chapter 4.2.3, "Info Window", on page 70 and chapter 9, "Error Messages", on page 727.

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# 5.2.7 Help System - Help Key

The HELP key opens a browser window containing a context-sensitive description of the highlighted parameter.



The context-sensitive page which is opened with the HELP key is part of a comprehensive help system. It is possible to move from this context-sensitive page to any page of the help system. The following navigation aids are available:

- Internal links in the text
  - They open pages which are directly linked to the described function. In this way it is possible, for example, to call up the description of the GPIB command for any particular function.
- Previous/Next links
  - The Previous/Next links allow scroll through the help pages. The sequence of the described functions corresponds to their position in the menus.
- Back button
  - The Back button calls up the page last viewed.
- Contents in the navigation panel
  - The contents list is used to open the individual help pages. It has a hierarchical structure. The highlighted line indicates where the currently displayed page is within the contents list.
- Index in the navigation panel
   The index is used to call up all pages which contain the selected entry. The index has an alphabetical structure and also contains all GPIB commands.
- Find
  - The find function allows you to look for freely selectable terms in all help pages. A list of the pages containing the entered term is displayed as the search result. The search can be limited to words in the page title to increase the number of hits.

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# 5.2.8 Storing and Loading Instrument Data - File Key

The R&S SMBV allows complete instrument settings to be stored in files on the internal flash memory, the USB stick or on the hard disk (requires option R&S SMBV-B92).

Defined and complex instrument settings can then be reproduced at any time by loading this data. If required, these settings can be loaded to various signal generators.

The corresponding menu is available under "Save/Recall" in the "Setup" menu or accessible by means of the FILE key. The instrument settings are saved in files which can be stored in data directories.

Additionally there are intermediate memories in which the current instrument setting can be stored and then called up again by just pressing a key. This provides fast switching between different instrument settings.

Only settings which differ from the preset values and configuration data for the operating elements (e.g. window positions) are stored. As a result the files remain relatively small. Furthermore, instrument settings can easily be transferred between different equipped signal generators since the files contain only relevant information. When loaded, the referenced settings are implemented and all non-referenced parameters are set to the associated preset values.

If list data is part of the instrument settings, e.g. a list of user correction data, a reference to this list is stored, not the list itself. The list is reactivated when the associated settings are loaded, but the list may have been modified or deleted in the meantime or may not be available on a different instrument. If the list has been modified, the new entries will be used. An error message appears if an attempt is made to access a non-existing list or to activate settings which are not supported by the instrument.



- Network settings and remote settings are not saved and restored.
- Lists are stored and loaded in the appropriate menus. For example, the user correction data list is created and stored in the "User Correction" menu.

When loading an instrument setting, it is possible to select whether the current frequency and level setting is to be retained or whether the stored settings are to be activated. It is possible to delete stored instrument settings. A file can be copied by loading it with "Recall" and then storing it under a new name.

Settings can be transferred easily between instruments with different equipment options and/or firmware versions because only the settings which differ from the preset values are affected. When settings are loaded, only those which are possible on the instrument are implemented. Error messages indicate the settings which cannot be implemented.

The stored file is transferred from one instrument to another using the memory stick.

General file management functions such as copying and moving data are available in the "File Manager" dialog.

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#### 5.2.8.1 File Menu

The settings available in the File menu "Save/Recall" depend on the operation selected under "Select Operation".



For more information, see chapter 4.7.1, "File Select Dialog", on page 93.

#### **Select Operation**

Selects the file function.

"Save..." Calls the menu for storing the current instrument setting (see chap-

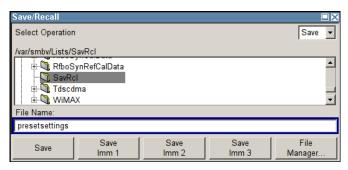
ter 5.2.8.2, "Storing Instrument Settings", on page 139).

"Recall..." Calls the menu for calling up a stored instrument setting (see chap-

ter 5.2.8.3, "Loading Instrument Settings", on page 141).

# 5.2.8.2 Storing Instrument Settings

If "Save" is selected under "Select Operation", the File menu provides options for storing the current instrument setting in a file.



#### **Recent files**

Displays the files last used.

SCPI command:

n.a.

#### **Directory**

Selects the directory in which the file is to be stored.

The window opposite lists all settings files in this directory.

A new directory can be created in the "File Manager" dialog.

SCPI command:

:MMEMory:CDIRectory on page 478

#### File List

Displays the files which are in the selected directory.

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If a file is highlighted, it is overwritten when the file is stored.

#### SCPI command:

:MMEMory:CATalog on page 477

# **File Name**

Enter the file name of the file without file extension. This file is then created.

SCPI command:

n.a.

#### Save

Stores the current instrument settings under the specified path.

SCPI command:

\*SAV on page 436

:MMEMory:STORe:STATe on page 482

#### **Fast Save**

Determines whether the instrument performs an absolute or a differential storing of the settings.

Enable this function to accelerate the saving process by saving only the settings with values different to the default ones.

However, in some test setups, e.g while analyzing the generated WiMAX signal with R&S FSQ, it is required to disable the fast save option.

**Note:** This function is not affected by the Preset function.

SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:SETTing:STORe:FAST on page 582
```

Refer to the descriptions of the firmware options for the correct syntx of the corresponding SCPI command.

### Save Immediate x

Stores the current instrument setting in one of the three intermediate memories.

These instrument settings are retained until a different instrument setting is stored in the intermediate memory. When the instrument is switched off, the contents of the intermediate memories are retained.

SCPI command:

\*SAV on page 436

#### File Manager

Calls the "File Management" menu.

Directories can be created and files managed in this menu (see chapter 5.2.8.4, "File Manager", on page 142).

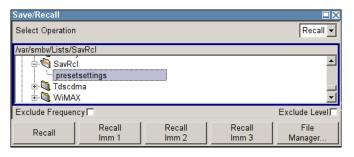
SCPI command:

n.a.

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#### **5.2.8.3 Loading Instrument Settings**

If "Recall" is selected under "Select Operation", the "File" menu provides options for loading complete instrument settings. Here it is possible to select whether the current or stored frequency and level settings are to be used.



#### Recent data sets

Displays the files last used. The entire path is shown.

If the desired file is in the list, it can be selected.

SCPI command:

n.a.

#### **Directory**

Enter the directory in which the file with the instrument setting to be loaded is located.

The "Selected file" window lists all the files in this directory.

SCPI command:

:MMEMory:CDIRectory on page 478

# File List

Selects the file with the desired instrument configuration.

SCPI command:

:MMEMory:CATalog on page 477

#### **Exclude Frequency**

The current frequency is retained when a stored instrument setting is loaded.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:FREQuency[:CW|:FIXed]:RCL on page 628

# **Exclude Level**

The current level is retained when a stored instrument setting is loaded.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:POWer[:LEVel][:IMMediate]:RCL on page 677

### Recall

Load the selected configuration.

If an instrument setting in which a sweep was activated is stored, the sweep is started when the recall command is called.

If an instrument setting which accesses lists is stored, this list is also loaded.

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If the list has been deleted in the meantime, an error message appears when the instrument setting is loaded. If the list has been overwritten in the meantime, the new entries will be used.

#### SCPI command:

:MMEMory:LOAD:STATe on page 481

\*RCL on page 436

#### Recall Immediate x

Loads the selected configuration from one of the three intermediate memories.

If an instrument setting in which a sweep was activated is stored, the sweep is started when the recall command is called.

If an instrument setting which accesses lists is stored, this list is also loaded.

If the list has been deleted in the meantime, an error message appears when the instrument setting is loaded. If the list has been overwritten in the meantime, the new entries will be used.

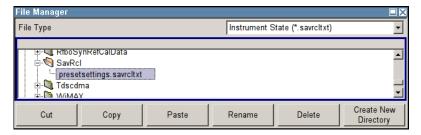
A message appears if no instrument configuration is stored in this memory.

SCPI command:

\*RCL on page 436

# 5.2.8.4 File Manager

The "File Manager" dialog provides all the functions required for file management. Directories can be created, and files copied, deleted and moved between the directories on the drives (internal flash card, memory stick and hard disk (requires option R&S SMBV-B92)).



For more information, see chapter 4.7.2, "File Manager", on page 94.

# File Type

Selects the file types to be indicated. If a file type with a specific file extension is selected only files with this extension are indicated in the selected directory.

SCPI command:

n.a.

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### **Directory and File Name**

Selects the directory in which the file to be deleted or copied is located. The window lists all files in this directory. The file to be deleted or copied can be highlighted. The path is indicated above the directory window.

#### SCPI command:

:MMEMory:CDIRectory on page 478

#### Cut

Cuts the selected file. It can be pasted into a different directory using the "Paste" button. SCPI command:

:MMEMory: DELete on page 480

#### Copy

Copies the selected file. It can be pasted into a different or the same directory using the "Paste" button. When pasting the file into the same directory file name <code>Copy of <file name></code> is given automatically. When pasting the file into a different directory, the original file name is kept.

#### SCPI command:

:MMEMory:COPY on page 478

#### Paste

Pastes the file that has been copied or cut before.

SCPI command:

n.a.

#### Rename

Renames the selected file or directory. The new name can be entered in the "New Filename" dialog.

## SCPI command:

:MMEMory:MOVE on page 481

#### Delete

Deletes the selected file. Before the file is deleted, a message appears prompting the user to confirm deletion of the file.

#### SCPI command:

:MMEMory:DELete on page 480

# **Create New Directory**

Creates a new directory. The name of the new directory can be entered in the "New Directory" dialog.

**Note:** When the subdirectory is entered, it is possible to enter an absolute path name (e.g. /var/smbvUSER/MEAS) or the path relative to the current directory (e.g. ../MEAS).

The directory is created as a subdirectory in the selected level.

# SCPI command:

:MMEMory:MDIRectory on page 481

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# 5.3 Graphical Display - Graphics

The R&S Signal Generator can be used to graphically display the generated baseband signal. A selection of different signal displays assists the user in assessing and checking the increasingly complex modulation signals.



The Graphics function block is available for instruments with the option:

- R&S SMBV-B10/B50/B511 (Baseband + ARB)
- R&S SMBV-B62 (Noise Generator)

It is the baseband signal actually generated that is recorded and displayed, and not a signal calculated on the basis of the set parameters.

This graphical display allows the user to quickly view and check the current signal characteristics and also gives an overview of the changes in the signal over time. The signal quality can be permanently monitored. The results of parameter changes on the signal, such as a change in modulation mode, or the effects of certain configurations, e.g. the activation of several base stations in the case of (W)CDMA signals, can be analyzed directly in the display. Freezing the signal and then zooming permit a detailed evaluation of any signal segment. The definition and display of one or more reference curves makes it possible to compare various signals (i.e. by comparing the CCDF (Complementary Cumulative Distribution Function) with different channelization codes, or the spectra if different filter parameters are selected).

The displayed signal segment can be influenced by selecting the trigger that defines the time for recording to start. With automatic triggering, the signal is tapped at the point in the signal path that is best for the respective display. The displayed signal segment is selected internally depending on the signal such that the signal characteristics of interest (e.g. the useful signal) are displayed. This selection is appropriate for a representative display of the complete signal.

In addition, a user-definable trigger is available with which the displayed signal segment can be limited.

The time resolution can be set either automatically or manually, whereby for manual setting the bandwidth for which the trace is to be displayed is selected. The transient recorders used for signal recording have a variable recording depth which is specified under the respective display.

In addition to the large graphics window, the display can also be shown in a small window ("smart graphics"). This window is fitted into the block diagram as a block, and can be used for basic checking purposes (e.g. whether the signal is still being generated).

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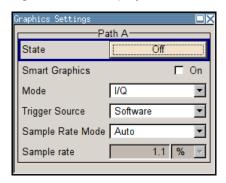


# 5.3.1 Graphics Settings Menu

The "Graphics Settings" menu for selecting the graphical display of the output signal is opened either in the "Graphics" function block or in the menu with the same name which is opened using the MENU key.

The signal display can be selected and activated in the menu.

With two-path instruments, the settings for the two paths can be entered separately. The signals can be displayed simultaneously in two separate windows.



#### **State**

Activates the selected graphical display.

After activation, the diagram selected with "Mode" is displayed in the block diagram.

At the bottom of each graphics window there are several buttons for freezing and zooming the display and for activating a reference curve.

For more information, see chapter 5.3.2, "Bar of Graphics Window", on page 147.

# SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:GRAPhics:STATe on page 585

# **Smart Graphics**

Activates the "smart graphics".

The graphic is displayed in a small window which is roughly the size of a block. These windows are displayed permanently in the block diagram until they are deactivated, and allow basic checking of the signal. They do not contain any buttons.

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#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:GRAPhics:SMARt:STATe on page 584

#### Mode

Selects the graphical signal display. The display is not shown until it has been activated with "Status On".

The individual signal displays are described in the chapter 5.3.3, "Signal Displays", on page 150.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:GRAPhics:MODE on page 584

# **Trigger Source**

Defines the trigger for the starting time of the graphic recording.

"Software" Recording of signals is started automatically in specified intervals.

This asynchronous method is appropriate when a representative display of the complete signal is desired, as recording starts in a random time reference to the signal

time reference to the signal.

"Marker 1"

The starting point for recording signals is determined by marker 1 in the menu of the active standard.

This synchronous method is appropriate when specific signal segments are to be shown in greater detail. With periodic signals, a static image is obtained by selecting a period length of marker 1 that is equal to the signal period.

The displayed signal segment can be shifted as needed by entering a marker delay in the Trigger/Marker menu of the active standard.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:GRAPhics:TRIGger:SOURce on page 586

# **Scrambling Code**

(only if Code Domain (3GPP FDD DL) is selected)

Sets the scrambling code if the "Code Domain" display is selected. Since it is possible to select a different scrambling code in the menu for each of the 4 base stations and it is also possible to display an external signal, the scrambling code for which the display is to be generated must be explicitly specified here.

SCPI command:

n.a.

### Sample Rate Mode

Sets how the time resolution of the signal is determined. Maximum resolution corresponds to a display covering the entire signal bandwidth. The higher the resolution is, the shorter the length of the displayed signal segment will be for the specified recording depth.

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"Auto" The resolution is set to an optimum value on the basis of the signal and

display type.

"Full Band- The resolution is set such that the display covers the entire signal band-

width" widt

"User" Under "Graphics Sample Rate", the user can determine the resolution

by setting the signal bandwidth for which the display is to be generated.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:GRAPhics:SRATe:MODE on page 584

# **Graphics Sample Rate**

With "Auto" and "Full Bandwidth":

Displays the signal bandwidth for which the display is to be generated.

With "User":

Selects the signal bandwidth for which the display is to be generated. The setting range moves between the minimum and maximum bandwidth which is possible for the selected display. The selection is made graphically by moving the pointer.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:GRAPhics:SRATe:USER on page 585

# 5.3.2 Bar of Graphics Window

At the bottom of each graphics window there are buttons for freezing and zooming the display and for defining and activating a reference curve.



#### Run

Freezes the current display.

Clicking the button again reactivates the normal, permanently updated display.

Freezing the display allows it to be analyzed more easily. Zooming the display at the same time permits detailed evaluation of any signal segment.

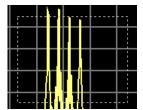
SCPI command:

n.a.

### Zoom In (only possible with mouse)

The mouse can be used to freely select any section to be zoomed. This section is selected by pressing the left-hand mouse key and dragging a rectangular marquee. In this way a display can be zoomed in several steps. The zoom is cancelled by clicking the "Zoom Out" button.

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SCPI command:

n.a.

# Zoom out

Cancels the zoom.

SCPI command:

n.a.

#### **Time**

(I/Q mode only)

Switches to seconds for time representation on the X axis of the I/Q diagram.

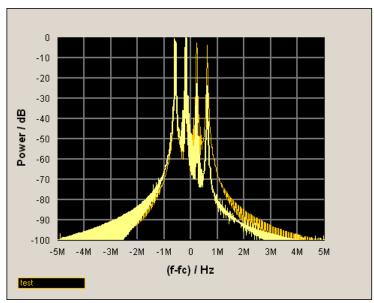
SCPI command:

n.a.

#### Show ref

Displays the reference curve(s). All defined reference curves are displayed simultaneously (see the description of the "Copy to ref" button).

The reference curves are displayed together with the current signal. They allow visual comparison of two or more signals with different settings, e.g. with different filters.



Clicking the button again hides the reference curves.

The reference curves must be defined beforehand using the "Copy to Ref" button.

SCPI command:

n.a.

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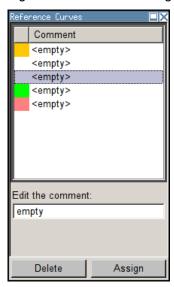
#### Copy to ref

Defines the current curve as the reference curve.

A window opens in which the curve can be given a comment and a color.

First of all the desired color is highlighted in the top window. If this color has already been assigned to a reference curve, this curve is overwritten. The command is entered in the bottom "Comment" section. This comment then appears next to the highlighted color.

Up to 5 reference curves can be defined and displayed simultaneously in different colors together with the current signal.



Each reference curve is available until it is deleted.

"Display area" The comments entered for the defined reference curve are shown in

the display area next the assigned color. A maximum of five colors (and reference curves) are available. If no reference curve is assigned to a

particular color, the comment <empty> is displayed.

"Comment" Enters a comment for the current curve which is to be defined as the

reference curve. This comment then appears next to the highlighted

color in the display area.

"Delete" Deletes the curve highlighted in the display area.

Curves which are no longer required can be deleted to reduce the num-

ber of reference curves displayed simultaneously.

"Assign" Defines the current curve as the reference curve.

The new reference curve is shown together with the entered comment

next to the selected color in the display area.

SCPI command:

n.a.

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# 5.3.3 Signal Displays

All signal displays which are used for analyzing a baseband signal can be selected. A number of signal displays are only available if the corresponding signal is generated, e.g. Code Domain only available for (W)CDMA signals.

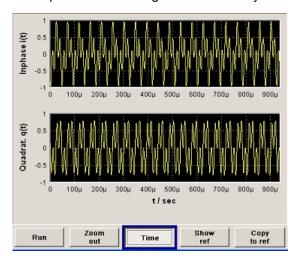
# **5.3.3.1 I/Q Diagram**

The I/Q diagram displays the inphase component (i[t]) and quadrature component (q[t]) of the I/Q signal over time.

The diagram is displayed in a window with two separate coordinate systems. The coordinate systems have identical X and Y axes. The time (in number of symbols, chips or samples depending on the signal) is plotted on the X axes, and the amplitude scaled to the peak envelope power (PEP) is plotted on the Y axes (minimum scaled amplitude = -1; maximum scaled amplitude = +1). The recording depth is 1 kSamples.

This signal is picked off at the output of the baseband main module ("Impairment" function block), i.e. contained in the displayed signal is:





#### 5.3.3.2 Vector Diagram

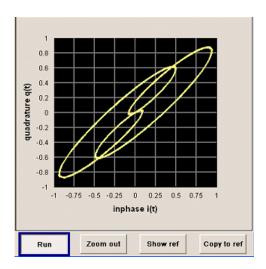
The Q component is displayed over the I component in the vector diagram. Each point is determined by a vector. The amplitudes of the signal components scaled to the peak envelope power (PEP) are plotted on the X and Y axis (minimum scaled amplitude = -1; maximum scaled amplitude = +1).

This display shows the curves between the various states of modulation mapping. The recording depth is 1 kSamples.

This signal is picked off at the output of the baseband main module ("Impairment" function block), i.e. contained in the displayed signal is:

impairment of the signal as defined by the user and the addition of noise.

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# 5.3.3.3 Constellation Diagram

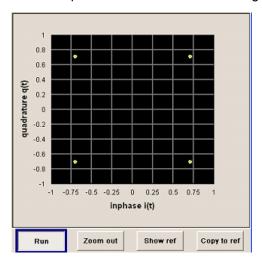
In the constellation diagram, the Q component is also displayed over the I component. However, only the values at the constellation points (signal value at the ideal scanning instant of the symbol) are displayed, i.e. for each symbol only 1 value in the form of a circle is shown for the I and Q component.

The amplitudes of the signal components scaled to the peak envelope power (PEP) are plotted on the X and Y axis (minimum scaled amplitude = -1; maximum scaled amplitude = +1). The recording depth is 2kSamples.

This signal is picked off at the output of the baseband main module ("Impairment" function block), i.e. contained in the displayed signal is:

impairment of the signal as defined by the user and the addition of noise.

This display shows the various states of modulation mapping which occur in the signal. The example shows the constellation diagram of a QPSK modulation signal.



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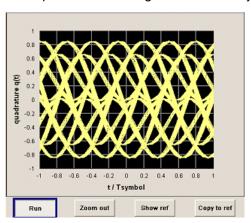
# 5.3.3.4 Eye Diagram

The eye diagram displays synchronized and superimposed sections of either the inphase or quadrature components of the signal.

The display width (eye length) is set at 2 symbols; several hundred curve segments are superimposed. The time (in the range -/+ 1 symbol) is plotted on the X axis, and the amplitude scaled to the peak envelope power (PEP) is plotted on the Y axis (minimum scaled amplitude = -1; maximum scaled amplitude = +1). The beginning of recording is synchronous to the symbol and chip clock pulse. The recording depth is 2kSamples.

This signal is picked off at the output of the baseband main module ("Impairment" function block), i.e. contained in the displayed signal is:

• impairment of the signal as defined by the user and the addition of noise.



# 5.3.3.5 CCDF Display

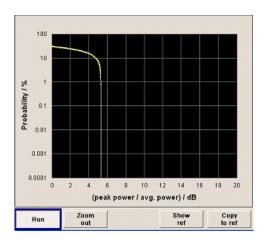
The Complementary Cumulative Distribution Function shows the probability with which the output signal will exceed the average power.

The level over the average power is plotted from 0 to 20 dB on the X axis; the average power (RMS) corresponds to the origin. The probability of exceeding the average power is plotted between 0.0001% and 100% on the Y axis. The recording depth is 8kSamples.

This signal is picked off at the output of the baseband main module ("Impairment" function block), i.e. contained in the displayed signal is:

impairment of the signal as defined by the user and the addition of noise.

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# 5.3.3.6 Power Spectrum

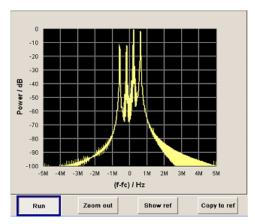
With the spectrum display, the signal spectrum is calculated from the I/Q signal by means of Fast Fourier Transform (FFT).

The power density over frequency is displayed. The power density is plotted on the Y axis, and the frequency is plotted symmetrically on the X axis (-sampling rate/2 to +sampling rate/2). FFT Points indicates the number of I/Q value pairs which are used for calculating a (part-)FFT. AVG indicates the number of subspectra used for averaging. The recording depth is 8kSamples.

This signal is picked off at the output of the baseband main module ("Impairment" function block), i.e. contained in the displayed signal is:

impairment of the signal as defined by the user and the addition of noise.

The spectrum display of the output signal is particularly suitable for checking multi carrier signals.

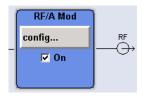


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# 5.4 RF Signal and Analog Modulations - RF Block

# 5.4.1 Overview of RF Signal

Settings for the RF output signal and analog modulation are made under "RF Signal" and "Analog Modulations". These settings can be accessed in the block diagram by way of the "RF/A MOD" function block, or by means of the menu with the same name which is opened using the MENU key.



The function block is available for the basic unit (R&S SMBV + frequency option R&S SMBV-B10x) without additional equipment options.

#### **5.4.1.1 RF Output**

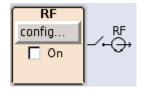
To activate and deactivate the RF output signal, use one of the following alternatives:

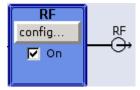
- by means of the RF ON/OFF key (the current entry focus is irrelevant)
- by changing the state of the "RF/A Mod" functional block (see "State RF" on page 154)
- by enabling/disabling the RF in the "Configure" menu of the "RF/A Mod" block (see "RF Output State" on page 155).

The current state of the RF output (activated and deactivated) is indicated in the block diagram by means of the different block color and the status of the "On" checkbox.

The disconnected connection to the output is additionally shown when the output is deactivated.

Active analog modulation is also indicated in the block.





To query the impedance of the RF outputs, use the command : OUTPut < hw >: IMPedance on page 484.

#### State RF

Activated/deactivates the RF output by changing the state of the "RF" functional block.

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Alternatively, the RF ON/OFF key can be used.

#### SCPI command:

:OUTPut<hw>[:STATe] on page 484

#### **RF Output State**

Activated/deactivates the RF output by enabling/disabling the RF in the "Configure" dialog of the "RF" block.



#### SCPI command:

:OUTPut<hw>[:STATe] on page 484

## 5.4.1.2 RF Signal Modes and Characteristics

The CW, Sweep and List modes are available for generating the RF signal.

#### CW

The RF signal is generated with the set frequency and level. This is the default mode.

#### Sweep

The RF signal is generated as a sweep with the set parameters. It is not possible to activate frequency, level and LF sweep simultaneously.

#### List Mode

The RF signal is generated on the basis of a list of predefined frequency and level values. The duration of the individual steps can be predefined.

Instruments connected downstream can be taken into consideration when setting the frequency and level by entering a frequency and/or level offset.

Automatic level control ("ALC") ensures maximum level accuracy, even with I/Q modulation.

User-specific lists which contain level correction values for any frequency range ("User Correction") can be created to, for example, compensate the cable attenuation in a test assembly setup.

The R&S Signal Generator generates the RF signal in unmodulated or analog form. The signal generator is equipped therefore with the following sources for analog modulations:

- an internal LF generator
- an internal pulse generator
- the external modulation inputs MOD EXT and PULSE EXT.

An external trigger signal for the analog modulations, the sweeps and the LIST mode can be provided at the INST TRIG input.

The input REF IN is used to input an external instrument reference, and the output REF OUT serves as the output of the reference frequency (internal or external).

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# 5.4.2 RF Frequency

The value of the RF frequency is displayed in the header of the instrument's display ("Freq"). This field provides the direct input of the RF frequency. Alternatively, you can enter the RF frequency in the "Frequency/Phase" dialog.



Be aware that the displayed RF frequency in the header, and the RF output frequency, entered in the "Frequency/Phase" dialog can be different, as explained in the following section.

# 5.4.2.1 RF Frequency vs. RF Output Frequency

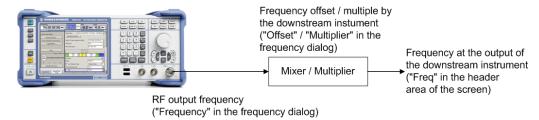
The signal generator offers the possibility, to take additional frequency modifications of a downstream instrument into consideration, such as an offset set by a mixer, or a multiple of the frequency by a frequency multiplier. The R&S SMBV indicates the resulting frequency, including offset and multiplication factor in the header of the screen. I.e. the indicated frequency corresponds to the frequency at the output of the downstream instrument. However, the frequency at the RF output of your signal generator always corresponds to the frequency set in the "Frequency/Phase" dialog.

In this dialog, you can also enter the values of the downstream instrument.

A set frequency offset is indicated by the "FREQ OFFSET" status message.

The correlation between the RF frequency, the RF output frequency and the frequency offset is as follows:

"Freq" (in header) = "RF output frequency" (Frequency in dialog) \* "Multiplier" factor (Multiplier in dialog) + "Freq offset" (Offset in dialog)



# 5.4.2.2 Setting the RF Frequency

To change the RF frequency, press the FREQ key and enter the desired frequency. Changes to the RF frequency have an immediate effect (without confirmation with the ENTER key) on the output signal.

#### RF Freq

Enters the RF frequency, considering the frequency offset.

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**Note:** The SCPI command sets the level of the "Freq" display, i.e. an entered frequency offset and multiplier factor are taken into consideration in the frequency value.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:FREQuency[:CW|:FIXed] on page 628

### 5.4.2.3 RF Frequency Dialog

In the combined "Frequency/Phase" dialog, you can enter the frequency, the frequency offset and multiplication factor of a downstream instrument, set the step width for the frequency entry using the rotary knob, and set the phase for the RF output signal.



To open the "RF Frequency/Phase/LO Coupling" dialog, select "RF/A Mod > Configure > Frequency" or use the MENU key under "RF/A Mod".

The "RF Frequency / Phase" dialog is divided into the several sections.

Frequency and offset of the RF output signal are set in the "Frequency Settings" section in the upper part of the dialog. In addition, the multiplier factor of an externally connected multiplier is specified.



The step width which is used when setting the frequency using the rotary knob (with "Variation Active On") is set in the "User Variation" section.



The phase of the output signal can be changed in the "Phase Settings" section. The "Phase Settings" menu is described in chapter 5.4.3, "Phase", on page 158.

The lower parts concern the settings of the local oscillator (LO) and are described in chapter 5.4.5, "Local Oscillator - LO Coupling", on page 161.

# **Frequency Settings**

The frequency, offset and multiplier factor are set in the top section of the menu.

# Frequency - RF Signal

Sets the RF frequency of the RF output connector. The frequency entered and displayed here corresponds to the frequency at the RF output, i.e. any offset entry is not taken into consideration.

**Note:** The SCPI command SOUR: FREQ sets the frequency of the "FREQ" display, i.e. the frequency containing offset.

SCPI command:

n.a.

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#### Offset - RF Signal

Sets the frequency offset relative to the RF frequency. The frequency offset of a downstream instrument (e.g. a mixer) is entered.

The entry does not change the value of the RF frequency at the RF output. It only changes the RF frequency displayed in the display header. The value of the RF frequency in the header corresponds to the frequency at the output of the downstream instrument.

### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:FREQuency:OFFSet on page 631

#### Multiplier - RF Signal

Sets the multiplication factor for the RF frequency.

In the frequency field of the status bar, the instrument adjusts its frequency display according to the set multiplication factor. This frequency value shows the frequency at the output of the downstream multiplier. The entry does not change the RF frequency at the RF output of the R&S SMBV.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:FREQuency:MULTiplier on page 630

#### **User Variation**

If the frequency is set using the rotary knob, the step width is defined in the "User Variation" section.

# Variation Active - RF Signal

Activates the user-defined step width used when varying the frequency value with the rotary knob.

"ON" The frequency value set with the rotary knob is varied using the user-

defined step width which is entered under "Variation Step".

"OFF" The frequency value set with the rotary knob is varied in steps of one

unit at the cursor position (standard operating mode).

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:FREQuency:STEP:MODE on page 633

#### Variation Step - RF Signal

Sets the user-defined step width. This step width is used when entering the RF frequency using the rotary knob. Frequency variation with this step width must also be activated with "Variation Active".

# SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:FREQuency:STEP[:INCRement] on page 633
```

## 5.4.3 Phase

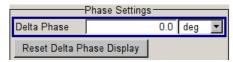
The phase of the RF output signal can be changed in the "Phase Settings" section of the "RF Frequency/Phase" dialog.

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### 5.4.3.1 Phase Settings



To open the "Frequency/Phase/LO Coupling" dialog, select "RF/A Mod" > "Configure" > "Frequency/Phase" or use the MENU key under RF/A Mod.



## Delta Phase - RF Signal

Sets the phase of the RF signal. The current phase of the signal is used as the reference. This function allows, for example, the phase of the output signal to be synchronized with the phase of a signal from a second signal generator.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:PHASe on page 670

### Reset Delta Phase Display - RF Signal

Resets delta phase value. The set phase is adopted as the new current phase, i.e. the delta phase value is reset to 0.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:PHASe:REFerence on page 670

# 5.4.4 Reference Oscillator

In the internal reference mode the internal reference signal is available at the REF OUT connector. The frequency of the internal reference signal is permanently set to 10 MHz.



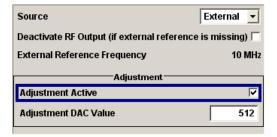
The settings of the reference oscillator are not influenced by an instrument preset ("PRESET" key).

# 5.4.4.1 Reference Oscillator Dialog



To open the "Reference Oscillator" dialog, select "RF/A Mod > Configure > Reference Oscillator" or use the MENU key under "RF/A Mod".

The menu is used to select the source and to adjust the reference frequency. In case an external source is selected, the reference frequency is displayed.



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#### Source - Reference Oscillator

Selects the source of the reference frequency.

"Internal" The internal reference signal of 10 MHz is used, comprising either the

calibrated or a user-defined adjustment value.

"External" An external reference signal is used. The frequency of the external ref-

erence signal must be selected under "External Reference Fre-

quency".

An external reference signal is required for each slave instrument configured to work in a synchronous mode (see chapter 5.8.2.4, "Synchro-

nous Signal Generation", on page 277).

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce]:ROSCillator:SOURce on page 692

# Deactivate RF Output - Reference Oscillator

Determines if the RF output is switched off in case of a missing external reference signal for selection external source.

If enabled, this setting ensures that no improper RF signal due to the missing external reference signal is output and used for measurements.

In addition to the error message "Ext Ref missing", the information "RF output deactivated" is indicated.

This setting is not influenced by a reset.

### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce]:ROSCillator:EXTernal:RFOFf[:STATe] on page 691
```

# **External Reference Frequency**

Selects the frequency of the external reference signal. You can select an external reference signal having a frequency of 5 MHz or 10 MHz; however, for 5 MHz the version of the RF board must be at least 1406.7220 or higher, see chapter 5.2.3.2, "Hardware Config", on page 107.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce]:ROSCillator:EXTernal:FREQuency on page 690

# Synchronization Bandwidth - RF Signal

(Source External only)

Selects the synchronization bandwidth for an external reference signal. The wideband setting is provided for using very good reference sources of high spectral purity.

"Narrow" Synchronization bandwidth is 1 Hz.

"Wide" Synchronization bandwidth is 750 Hz.

## SCPI command:

[:SOURce]:ROSCillator:EXTernal:SBANdwidth on page 691

# **Adjustment Active - Reference Oscillator**

Selects adjustment mode.

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"OFF" The calibrated adjustment value of the internal reference frequency is

used. This value is determined at one of the R&S service shops during

calibration.

"ON" A user-defined adjustment value is used. The value is entered under

"Adjustment DAC Value".

This allows the frequency to be impaired freely, for example to simulate

a frequency error.

The instrument is no longer in the calibrated state. However, the calibration value is not changed and the instrument resumes the calibrated

state after switching the "Adjustment State" to Off.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce]:ROSCillator[:INTernal]:ADJust[:STATe] on page 692

#### **Adjustment DAC Value**

Enters a user-defined adjustment value for the internal reference frequency. This value is not used unless "Adjustment Active On" is selected.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce]:ROSCillator[:INTernal]:ADJust:VALue on page 691

# 5.4.5 Local Oscillator - LO Coupling

The LO Coupling function allows a distribution of the local oscillator signal in way that multiple RF signals can be driven by the same LO signal. This is mandatory for minimizing the phase drift between these RF signals.

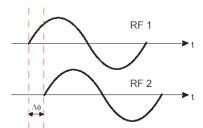
The LO Coupling function is available only for instruments equipped with the option R&S SMBV-B90 (Phase Coherence).

The local oscillator signal is available at the LO OUT connector (rear of instrument).

In the external local oscillator mode, an external signal must be input at the LO IN connector.

# 5.4.5.1 Phase Coherence

Phase coherence of two RF signals means that there is a defined and stable phase relationship between two (or more) RF carriers, i.e. there is a fixed delta phase  $\Delta\Phi$  between the carriers. Strictly speaking, phase coherence is only defined for CW carriers with the same frequency (or for CW carriers at frequencies that are multiples of each other).



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If two signal generators are coupled via their 10 MHz reference, they are generating exactly the same frequency but only from the long term perspective. Having a closer look into the instantaneous differential phase ("delta phase") of these two RF signals, this is quite instable due to:

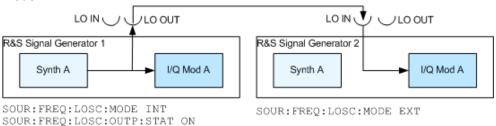
- phase noise of the two synthesizers
- "weak" coupling at 10 MHz and a long synthesis chain up to the RF domain
- temperature differences which cause a change of the effective electrical length of some synthesizer components

Most critical for a stable delta phase is the thermal RF phase drift between multiple RF synthesizers. This drift can be minimized down to 0.1° by use of a common synthesizer, i.e. a common local oscillator (LO) signal, for all RF carriers. Only if this LO signal (which is internally used for upconverting the baseband signal to the RF) is the same for all carriers, a stable phase between the RF signals can be achieved.

# **5.4.5.2 Typical Applications**

The LO Coupling function can be used to generate a MxN MIMO signal.

 Generation of 2xN MIMO signal with two R&S Signal Generators, working in External mode.



# 5.4.5.3 LO Coupling Menu



To open the "LO Coupling" menu, select "RF/A Mod > Configure > LO Coupling" or use the MENU key under "RF/A Mod".

The menu is available only for instruments equipped with the option R&S SMBV-B90.

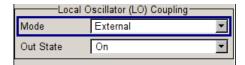
This option enables phase coherent RF outputs of two or more RF paths.

The local oscillator coupling is set in the lower area of the group menu "Frequency/ Phase". The menu is used to select the mode of the LO coupling and the state of the local oscillator output.

For more information about the upper areas, see:

- chapter 5.4.2.3, "RF Frequency Dialog", on page 157
- chapter 5.4.3.1, "Phase Settings", on page 159
- chapter 5.4.4.1, "Reference Oscillator Dialog", on page 159

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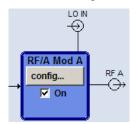
# **Mode - LO Coupling**

Selects the mode of the local oscillator coupling.

"Internal" This mode corresponds to a normal operation.

The internal local oscillator is used.

"External" An external signal is used.



**Note:** Selection of LO Coupling "External" mode, disables all parameters in the "Frequency/Phase/Ref Osc" menu.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:FREQuency:LOSCillator:MODE on page 627

#### **Out State - LO Coupling**

Switches on/off the LO output.

"On" The internal local oscillator signal is also available on the LO OUT con-

nector (in order to couple two instruments).

"Off" The LO OUT signal is switched off.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:FREQuency:LOSCillator:OUTPut:STATe on page 628

# 5.4.6 NRP-Z Power Viewer

The R&S signal generator supports R&S NRP-Z power sensors to measure the power of the output signal in the RF path or any freely selectable source. The generator performs up to four power measurements, with the sensors either directly connected, or via the R&S NRP-Z5 USB Sensor Hub.

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The R&S NRP-Z5 USB Sensor Hub (high-speed USB 2.0) can host up to 4 R&S NRP-Z sensors and provides simultaneous internal and external triggering of all connected sensors.

You can directly connect the R&S NRP-Z Sensors to the standard NRP sensor connectors of the hub. The hub is connected to the R&S instrument either with the R&S NRP-Z2 extension cable, or via USB using with the adapter cable R&S NRP-Z4.

See also the R&S website <a href="http://www.rohde-schwarz.com">http://www.rohde-schwarz.com</a> in section "Power Meters & Voltmeters > R&S NRP-Z Sensors" for information on the sensor hub and the available accessories.

To connect an R&S NRP-Z sensor directly, the R&S SMBV provides the SENSOR connector. A sensor connected there is always assigned as "Sensor 1". Alternatively, you can connect a sensor at a USB interface, using one of the USB adapters R&S NRP-Z3 or R&S NRP-Z4.

The instrument automatically detects a connected R&S NRP-Z power sensor and indicates it in the "NRP-Z Power Viewer" dialog. In addition, you find device specific information on the connected sensor in the chapter 5.2.3.6, "NRP-Z Info/Update", on page 115. For information on the scope of your power sensor refer to the manual of your R&S NRP-Zxx power sensor.

A sensor continuously measures the average signal power of the selected source. The signal generator shows the result in either the "NRP-Z Power Viewer" dialog, or directly in the block diagram. You can activate the permanent display in the block diagram in the "NRP-Z Power Viewer" dialog. This dialog provides access to all parameters concerning sensor settings, like average or peak display, reference source, filter and level offset, see NRP-Z Power Viewer Settings.

The signal generator also supports the use of R&S NRP-Z power sensors for the acquisition of level correction data. The acquired level correction data is used to create and activate lists in which level correction values predefined by the user are freely assigned to RF frequencies. Correction is performed by the user-defined table values being added to the output level for the respective RF frequency (see chapter 5.4.10, "User Correction", on page 181).

# 5.4.6.1 NRP-Z Power Viewer Settings



To open the "NRP-Z Power Viewer" menu, select "RF/A Mod" > "Configure" > "NRP-Z Power Viewer" or use the MENU key under "RF/A Mod".

The dialog shows the settings and measurement values of the sensor selected in the field next to the connector symbol. For indicating the parameters of another sensor, switch to the respective sensor in the selection list.

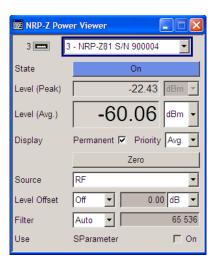
The instrument detects connected sensors automatically and lists all in the selection field.

"Sensor 1" is firmly assigned to the sensor on the circled SENSOR socket. If no sensor is connected to this socket, channel 1 remains not assigned. Sensors 2...4 are assigned to the sensors at the USB connectors, according to their sequence of connection.

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When you connect your power sensor(s) via the R&S NRP-Z5 USB sensor hub, each channel of the hub is firmly assigned to the associated sensor channel in the generator.



### **Sensor - Power Viewer**

Selects the R&S NRP-Z power sensor for indication.

In remote control, the sensors are set up using the SENSe commands. The remote measurement is triggered by the READ query which also provides the measurement results.

The sensor is selected by suffix 1, 2, 3 or 4 in key word SENSe or READ of the command header.

Suffix 1 denotes the sensor connected to SENSOR, suffix 2 the one at the first USB interface, and suffix 3 and 4 are assigned to the sensors at the following USB interfaces. The suffix is identical to the index which is assigned automatically to each sensor upon connection.

**Note:** The software version of the connected power sensor can be retrieved by means of the remote control command : SENS: POW: TYPE?.

Use the "Setup >" chapter 5.2.3.6, "NRP-Z Info/Update", on page 115 dialog to update the sensor software.

#### SCPI command:

```
SENSe<ch>[:POWer]:STATus[:DEVice] on page 492
```

# **Type - Power Sensors**

Indicates the type and the serial number of the connected R&S NRP-Z power sensor. The sensor type is automatically detected.

### SCPI command:

```
SENSe<ch>[:POWer]:TYPE on page 492
SENSe<ch>[:POWer]:SNUMber on page 491
```

# **State - Power Sensors**

Activates/deactivates level measurement by the power sensor.

The local state is set with the INIT command. Switching the local state off enhances the measurement performance.

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In remote control, the sensors are set up using the SENSe commands. The remote measurement is triggered by the READ query which also provides the measurement results. The state is not influenced by these commands, measurements results can be retrieved with local State on or off.

The sensor is selected by suffix 1, 2, 3 or 4 in key word SENSe or READ of the command header.

Suffix 1 denotes the sensor connected to SENSOR, suffix 2 the one at the first USB interface, and suffix 3 and 4 are assigned to the sensors at the following USB interfaces. The suffix is identical to the index which is assigned automatically to each sensor upon connection.

To query the availability of a sensor at a given connector, use the command SENSe<ch>[:POWer]:STATus[:DEVice] on page 492.

### SCPI command:

:INITiate<ch>[:POWer]:CONTinuous on page 486

#### Level (Peak) - Power Sensors

With certain power sensors only, e.g. R&S NRP-Z81.

Indicates the measured peak level value with the selected unit.

### SCPI command:

```
:READ<ch>[:POWer] on page 486
```

# Level (Avg.) - Power Sensors

Indicates the measured level value with the selected unit.

# SCPI command:

```
:READ<ch>[:POWer] on page 486
```

#### **Unit - Power Sensors**

Selects the unit used for result display.

The power sensor provides the measured value in Watt.

In which unit the measured value is indicated is selected here and might be Watt, dBm or dBuV.

#### SCPI command:

```
SENSe<ch>:UNIT[:POWer] on page 493
```

### **Permanent Display State - Power Sensors**

Activates the permanent indication of the power measurement result in the upper right corner of the block diagram. The instrument shows the type of sensor, the corresponding connector, the measurement source and - if set - the offset.



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It is possible to switch the permanent display active for several sensors. The instrument indicates the values of a maximum of two sensors simultaneously, in ascending order of connected channels. If you activate the display of a third sensor, the instrument fades out the values of the last highest channel number automatically.

#### SCPI command:

SENSe<ch>[:POWer]:DISPlay:PERManent:STATe on page 487

#### **Display Priority - Power Sensors**

Selects whether the average or the peak power measurement result is indicated when permanent display is active.

#### SCPI command:

SENSe<ch>[:POWer]:DISPlay:PERManent:PRIority on page 487

#### **Zero - Power Sensors**

Activates the auto zero function.

Zeroing calibrates the external power sensor by adjusting its reading at zero signal power. For this purpose, the RF power source must be switched off or disconnected from the sensor (see tips below). R&S power sensors automatically detect the presence of any significant input power. This aborts zeroing and generates an error message. Zeroing can take a few seconds, depending on the sensor model; refer to the documentation of your external power sensor for more information.

# Tips for zeroing

Zeroing should be performed:

- During warm-up after switching on or connecting the instrument
- After a substantial change of the ambient temperature
- After fastening the power sensor module to an RF connector at high temperature
- After several hours of operation
- When very low-power signals are to be measured, e.g. less than 10 dB above the lower measurement limit.
- Switch off the RF power source for zeroing; do not disconnect it from the power sensor. In this way you will maintain the thermal equilibrium, and zeroing will also compensate for the noise superimposed on the measured signal (e.g. from a broadband amplifier).

#### SCPI command:

SENSe<ch>[:POWer]:ZERO on page 492

#### **Source - Power Sensors**

Selects the source for measurement.

"RF"

Measurement source is the RF signal of the generator. The RF frequency is used as the measurement frequency of the sensor and the corresponding correction factor is used.

In this mode the RF frequency of the generator is send to the sensor automatically if changed.

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"User"

Measurements source is any freely selectable source. The frequency is entered manually under frequency (e.g. for measurement of amplifier gain with 2 sensors).

SCPI command:

SENSe<ch>[:POWer]:SOURce on page 491

### Frequency - Power Sensors

Source User only

Enters the frequency for measurement source "User".

SCPI command:

SENSe<ch>[:POWer]:FREQuency on page 490

#### **Level Offset - Power Sensors**

Activates and defines a level offset which is added to the measured value. This allows e.g. an attenuator in the signal path to be taken into account. The offset is always entered in dB, irrespective of the selected unit for result display.

SCPI command:

```
SENSe<ch>[:POWer]:OFFSet:STATe on page 491
SENSe<ch>[:POWer]:OFFSet on page 490
```

#### **Auto Once**

Searches for the optimum filter length for the current measurement conditions and indicates value in the "Filter Length" field above.

SCPI command:

```
SENSe<ch>[:POWer]:FILTer:SONCe on page 489
```

# Filter Length - Power Sensors

Selects the filter length used for measurement. The filter length is the multiplier for the measurement time and thus directly influences it.

The averaging filter is used to reduce fluctuations in the measured result to the extent desired. Such fluctuations can be caused by inherent noise of the measuring instrument, modulation of the measurement signal or beats from the superposition of adjacent carriers. A more stable display has to be traded off against longer measurements. The measurement result is obtained from a two-stage averaging process.

**Note:** Longer measurements does not mean that it takes longer to display a new result, but rather that it takes longer for the result to settle when the power changes.

Measurements are continuously repeated in a predefined time window. The measurement result is obtained by averaging the measured values for the last 2N time windows. The number N is the filter length, the factor of 2 arises because the output signals from the microwave detector to suppress low-frequency noise are chopped at the same rate as the time windows, which means that an independent measured value can only be obtained from two consecutive values. As the filter length is the multiplier for the time window it directly influences the measurement time.

The filter length can be selected automatically or can be manually set to a fixed value. As a preliminary, you should always check if the auto mode is giving satisfactory results because you will always have to adjust an optimal, manual filter-length setting if the power is not constant.

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Selection "Fixed Noise" is offered for reaching defined measurement accuracy.

"Auto"

The filter length is automatically selected and adapted to the currently measured value. With very high signals the filter length and therefore the measurement time can be short. With very low signal levels the filter length and therefore the measurement time is increased in order to reduce noise. The used filter length is indicated in the field to the right.

"User"

The filter length is set manually.

The filter length is entered in the entry window to the right. As the filter length works as a multiplier for the time window, this results in a constant measurement time. Values 1 and 2<sup>n</sup> are settable.

**Note:** The time window varies depending on the used sensor. For most sensors it is fixed to 20 ms. For the R&S NRP-Z81 sensor it is 10 us. Therefore, the user filter length for the R&S NRP-Z81 has be about 1000 times larger than the filter length for other sensors in order to achieve the same filtering result.

The "Auto Once" button can be used to search for the optimum filter length for the current measurement conditions. The found filter length is indicated in the field to the right.

"Fixed Noise"

The averaging factor is selected so that the sensor's intrinsic noise (2 standard deviations) does not exceed the specified noise content. The desired noise content is entered in the entry field to the right. To avoid very long settling times when the power is low, the averaging factor can be limited with the "Timeout" parameter.

### SCPI command:

```
SENSe<ch>[:POWer]:FILTer:TYPE on page 490

SENSe<ch>[:POWer]:FILTer:LENGth:AUTO on page 488

SENSe<ch>[:POWer]:FILTer:LENGth[:USER] on page 488

SENSe<ch>[:POWer]:FILTer:NSRatio on page 488

SENSe<ch>[:POWer]:FILTer:NSRatio:MTIMe on page 489
```

# Use SParameter - Power Sensors ← Filter Length - Power Sensors

Activates the use of the S-Parameter correction data of the connected power sensor. For sensors with attenuator this checkbox is automatically checked.

Refer to the manual of the connected R&S NRP-Zxx power sensor for a description on how to use the SParameter table.

#### SCPI command:

```
SENSe<ch>[:POWer]:CORRection:SPDevice:STATe on page 487
```

# 5.4.7 NRP-Z Level Control

With the NRP-Z Level Control function, you can achieve a very stable and accurate RF power supplied to your DUT. With the aid of a downstream control circuit, a closed loop power control, you can detect frequency response characteristics of the used components, such as losses due to cables, modules or components like power amplifiers, and compensate these effects accordingly.

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# Example: How to set up a closed loop power control

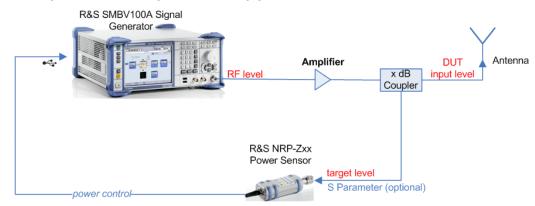


Fig. 5-1: Example of a test setup with NRP-Z Level Control

As shown in the example, the sensor measures a proportional power in defined time intervals, derivated from a coupler. It considers optionally given S-parameters and sends the results back to the generator. The signal generator compares the measured level with the set value and adjusts its output level accordingly.

This allows you to control the external signal level continuously and reliably reach a constant input level at the DUT in real time.



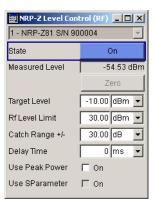
Please keep in mind that modulated signals may differ from CW signals regarding mean power and peak power. This affects the operation of "NRP-Z Level Control".

Beyond that, it is strongly recommended that you disable the "List" mode, since it also falsifies the power control loop.

# 5.4.7.1 NRP-Z Level Control Settings



To open the "NRP-Z Level Control" dialog, select "RF > Configure > NRP-Z Level Control" or use the MENU key under "RF".



## Sensor

Selects the R&S NRP-Z power sensor for power control.

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**Note:** In remote control, the sensors are set up using the SENSe commands. The remote measurement is triggered by the READ query which also provides the measurement results.

The software version of the connected power sensor can be retrieved by means of the remote control command : SENS: POW: TYPE?.

Use the "Setup >" chapter 5.2.3.6, "NRP-Z Info/Update", on page 115 dialog to update the sensor software.

#### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:POWer:SPC:SELect on page 682
```

#### State

Activates power control using the selected sensor.

The control loop periodically adjusts the generator output. After switching off, the running loop is completed.

#### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:POWer:SPC:STATe on page 682
```

#### **Measured Level**

Indicates the current reading of the sensor.

#### **Zero - Power Sensors**

Activates the auto zero function.

Zeroing calibrates the external power sensor by adjusting its reading at zero signal power. For this purpose, the RF power source must be switched off or disconnected from the sensor (see tips below). R&S power sensors automatically detect the presence of any significant input power. This aborts zeroing and generates an error message. Zeroing can take a few seconds, depending on the sensor model; refer to the documentation of your external power sensor for more information.

# Tips for zeroing

Zeroing should be performed:

- During warm-up after switching on or connecting the instrument
- After a substantial change of the ambient temperature
- After fastening the power sensor module to an RF connector at high temperature
- After several hours of operation
- When very low-power signals are to be measured, e.g. less than 10 dB above the lower measurement limit.
- Switch off the RF power source for zeroing; do not disconnect it from the power sensor. In this way you will maintain the thermal equilibrium, and zeroing will also compensate for the noise superimposed on the measured signal (e.g. from a broadband amplifier).

```
SENSe<ch>[:POWer]:ZERO on page 492
```

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# **Target Level**

Specifies the nominal level expected at the input of the sensor. The signal generator adjusts the output power accordingly, in order to meet the target value at the sensor input, and thus the power required at the DUT.

#### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:POWer:SPC:TARGet on page 682
```

#### Limit - RF Level

Sets an upper limit for the RF output power.

You can use it to protect your DUT from damage due to high input power. If you enter an RF level above this value, the instrument limits the output power to this specified value, and generates a warning message.

However, the level indication in the status bar is not affected.

**Note:** The value is not affected by an instrument preset (PRESET key), \*RST and the "Save/Recall" function. It is influenced only by the Factory Preset and the factory value is equal to maximum level.

## SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:POWer:LIMit[:AMPLitude] on page 678
```

### Catch Range +/-

Sets the capture range of the control system.

Within the range:

Target Level +/- Catch Range

the power control locks and tries to achieve the target level. Readings outside the range are not considered.

## SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:POWer:SPC:CRANge on page 681
```

# **Delay Time**

Defines a waiting period between the level adjustment of the generator and the next measurement of the power sensor.

With this parameter, you can take into account any dead times in the controlled system.

### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:POWer:SPC:DELay on page 681
```

#### **Use Peak Power**

Activates control by means of the peak power values, provided the power sensor supports this function. Otherwise, the dialog does not show this parameter.

### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:POWer:SPC:PEAK on page 682
```

### **Use SParameter - Power Sensors**

Activates the use of the S-Parameter correction data of the connected power sensor. For sensors with attenuator this checkbox is automatically checked.

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Refer to the manual of the connected R&S NRP-Zxx power sensor for a description on how to use the SParameter table.

#### SCPI command:

SENSe<ch>[:POWer]:CORRection:SPDevice:STATe on page 487

### 5.4.8 RF Level/EMF

### 5.4.8.1 Overview of RF Level



# Message "Level overrange/underrange"

If this message appears in the status line, the following parameter is in the overrange (see data sheet):

- the set level ("Level")
- the displayed peak envelope power ("PEP") for Digital Modulation or Digital Standard

The correct level setting and signal quality cannot be guaranteed if the set level is in the overrange/underrange.

The value of the RF level is displayed in the level field in the header of the instrument's display and the easiest way to set the RF level is to set it directly in this field.



The center line ("Level") and, to the left of this, the peak envelope power ("PEP") of the modulated RF output signal is displayed in the case of digital modulation or digital standard.

Be aware, that there is a difference between the RF level displayed in the header and the RF output level set in the "Level/EMF" dialog of the "RF" block.

### RF level vs. RF output level

The level entered and displayed in the "Level" field takes the offset of any downstream attenuators/amplifiers into consideration by way of calculation. This means that with a level offset the level displayed in the header does not correspond to the level at the RF output, but rather to the level at the output of the downstream instrument.

This allows the desired level at the output of downstream instruments to be entered. The R&S Signal Generator changes the RF output level according to the set offset.

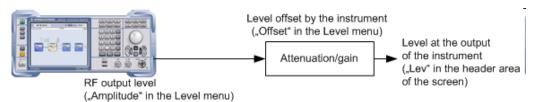
However, the level entered and displayed in the "Level" menu of the "RF" function block always corresponds to the RF output level. Any level offset is not taken into consideration.

The level offset is entered in the "Level" menu. Here it is also possible to set the level without taking the offset into consideration, and to make other settings, such as level offset, attenuator mode, power-on state.

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The correlation is as follows:

"Level" (in header) = "RF output level" (Level in menu) + "Level offset" (Offset in menu)



The RF output is protected against overloading by an external signal applied to the RF output (see "Reverse Power Protection" on page 178).

### Setting the RF level

To change the RF level, press the LEVEL key and enter the desired level. Changes to the RF level have an immediate effect (without confirmation with the Enter key) on the output signal.

#### **RF Level**

Enters the RF level, considering the level offset (see "RF level vs. RF output level" on page 173).

**Note:** Some SW options have specific requirements about the calculation of the level of the output signal, e.g. the displayed value corresponds to the level at the start simulation time, there are correction coefficients to be applied, etc. In cases like this, the displayed value in the header of the instrument does not always correspond to the level at the RF output!

When working with a SW option, always refer to the corresponding documentation for related specific information.

dBm, dBuV, mV and uV can be used as the level units. The 4 unit keys are labeled with these units.

**Note:** The SCPI command sets the level of the "Level" display, i.e. an entered level offset is taken into consideration in the level value.

### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:POWer[:LEVel][:IMMediate][:AMPLitude] on page 676

## 5.4.8.2 RF Level Dialog

Reference Oscillator...
NRP-Z Power Viewer...
NRP-Z Power Control...
Level / EMF...
Automatic Level Control...
User Correction...

To open the "RF Level/EMF" dialog, select "RF/A Mod > Configure > Level/EMF" or use the MENU key under "RF/A Mod".

The combined "RF Level / EMF" dialog is divided into the several sections.

The top sections of this dialog provide access to the level settings.

The offset-free level, level offset and level limit are set in the top section of the menu. The attenuator mode is set in the "Attenuator Settings" section.

The step width which is used when setting the level using the rotary knob (with "Variation Active On") is set in the "User Variation" section.

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The power-on behavior of the instrument and the level display in the display header are set in the "Power-On / EMF Settings" section (see chapter 5.4.8.3, "Power-On/EMF Settings", on page 178).

The lower sections provide access to the "Automatic Level Control" settings and to function User Correction settings. For more information about this functions, see chapter 5.4.9, "Automatic Level Control - ALC", on page 178 and chapter 5.4.10, "User Correction", on page 181.

### **Level Settings**

The offset-free level, attenuation mode, level offset and level limit are set in the top section of the menu.

## **RF Mode**

Selects performance preferences of the RF output signal regarding wideband noise and distortion.

"Normal" The generator provides an RF output signal with high signal to noise

ratio as well as low distortion, according to the data sheet.

"LOW Noise" This setting forces the generator to optimize the signal to noise ratio.

"LOW Distor- The generator reduces distortion (harmonics) of the RF signal.

tion"

## SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:POWer:LMODe on page 678
```

### Amplitude

Sets the RF level of the RF output connector.

The level entered and displayed here corresponds to the level at the RF output, i.e. any offset entry is not taken into consideration.

**Note:** The SCPI command [:SOURce<hw>]:POWer[:LEVel][:IMMediate][: AMPLitude] sets the level of the "Level" display, i.e. the level containing offset.

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:POWer:POWer on page 680
```

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#### Limit - RF Level

Sets an upper limit for the RF output power.

You can use it to protect your DUT from damage due to high input power. If you enter an RF level above this value, the instrument limits the output power to this specified value, and generates a warning message.

However, the level indication in the status bar is not affected.

**Note:** The value is not affected by an instrument preset (PRESET key), \*RST and the "Save/Recall" function. It is influenced only by the Factory Preset and the factory value is equal to maximum level.

### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:POWer:LIMit[:AMPLitude] on page 678
```

## Offset (Level)

Sets the level offset relative to the RF level.

The level offset of a downstream instrument (e.g. an attenuator or amplifier) is entered.

The entry does not change the value of the RF level at the RF output. It only changes the RF level displayed in the display header. The value of the RF level in the header corresponds to the level at the output of the downstream instrument.

#### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:POWer[:LEVel][:IMMediate]:OFFSet on page 677
```

# **Attenuator Settings**

The attenuator mode is set in the Attenuator Settings section.

# **Attenuator Mode**

Sets the attenuator mode at the RF output.

"Auto" Standard mode.

The electronically switching attenuator switches with a 5 dB step width

at fixed switching points.

"Fixed" The level settings are made without switching the attenuator.

When this operating mode is switched on, the attenuator and the relays are fixed in their current positions to provide level settings without interruption. The resulting variation range is defined and displayed under "Attenuator Fixed Pages"

"Attenuator Fixed Range".

**Note:** The function is effective when automatic level control is activated

("ALC State = On").

If the normal variation range is overranged or underranged, level errors increase considerably and the warning "Level under/overrange" appears in the info line. The spectral purity of the output signal decreases with high attenuation.

```
:OUTPut<hw>:AMODe on page 483
```

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### Fixed Range (PEP) In

Displays the level range in which the level is set without interruption for the "Attenuator Mode fixed" setting.

### SCPI command:

```
:OUTPut<hw>:AFIXed:RANGe:UPPer on page 483
:OUTPut<hw>:AFIXed:RANGe:LOWer on page 483
```

#### **RF OFF Mode**

Selects the attenuator mode, when the RF signal is switched off.

The setting of the RF OFF mode is not affected by an instrument preset (PRESET key), \*RST and the "Save/Recall" function. This parameter is influenced only by the Factory Preset.

"Unchanged" Freezes the setting of the attenuator when RF is switched off. The

attenuator is only activated when RF is switched on.

This setting recommended if a constant VSWR (Voltage Standing Wave

Ratio) is required.

"Full Attenuation" Sets attenuation to maximum when the RF signal is switched off. This setting is recommended for applications that require a high level of noise suppression.

#### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:POWer:ATTenuation:RFOFf:MODE on page 676
```

### **User Variation**

If the level is set using the rotary knob, the step width is defined in the "User Variation" section.

## Variation Active

Activates the user-defined step width used when varying the level value with the rotary knob.

"ON" The level value set with the rotary knob is varied using the user-defined

step width which is entered under "Variation Step".

"OFF" The level value set with the rotary knob is varied in steps of one unit at

the cursor position (standard operating mode).

### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:POWer:STEP:MODE on page 683
```

# **Variation Step**

Sets the user-defined step width for entering the RF level using the rotary knob. Level variation with this step width must also be activated with "Variation Active".

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:POWer:STEP[:INCRement] on page 683
```

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#### **Reverse Power Protection**

The reverse power protection is tripped when the power of the external signal becomes too high. A relay opens and interrupts the internal connection to the RF output. This condition is indicated in the display header by the "OVERLOAD" status message.

#### Overload

If an "Overload" status message is indicated in the display header, reset the overload protection by pressing the RF ON/OFF key.

The RF input is activated when the overload protection is reset.

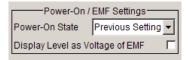
### SCPI command:

```
:OUTPut<hw>:PROTection:TRIPped on page 484
:OUTPut<hw>:PROTection:CLEar on page 484
:OUTPut<hw>[:STATe] on page 484
```

### 5.4.8.3 Power-On/EMF Settings

The power-on behavior of the R&S SMBV and the level display in the display header are set in the "Power-On / EMF Settings" section of the "RF Level/EMF/ALC/UCOR" dialog.

To open the "RF Level/EMF" dialog, select "RF/A Mod > Configure > Level/EMF" or use the MENU key under "RF/A Mod".



# Power-On State - RF Signal

Selects the state which the RF output is to assume after the instrument is switched on.

"RF Off" The output is deactivated when the instrument is switched on.

"Previous Set- When the instrument is switched on, the output assumes the same state ting" as it had when the instrument was switched off.

# SCPI command:

```
:OUTPut<hw>[:STATe]:PON on page 485
```

# Display Level as Voltage of EMF - RF Level

Activates display of the signal level as voltage of the EMF (no-load voltage). If this setting is deactivated, the level is displayed as a voltage over a 50 Ohm load (preset state).

SCPI command:

n.a.

#### 5.4.9 Automatic Level Control - ALC

Your signal generator is equipped with an automatic level control unit to obtain best RF level accuracy.

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**A**utomatic **L**evel **C**ontrol (ALC) is an adaptive control system to stabilize the RF output level. It continuously monitors the current level and adjusts it to keep a steady state over temperature and time.



ALC is active in almost all applications by default. However, some operating modes exclude ALC, as the control loop would detect incorrect values and result in level deviations. These are:

- Pulse modulation
- I/Q modulation

Also note that ALC may detect incorrect values in **multi-transmitter** test setups. If multiple generators are coupled, reverse power may affect the ALC readings. Based on incorrect values, ALC would have an impact on the signal to intermodulation ratio.

#### **ALC States**

The following description basically explaines the ALC states and their principle of operation. In particular **ALC OFF (Sample & Hold)** gives an overview on the function in terms of the equipment of the generator.

The R&S SMBV offers the ALC states:

- AUTO automatically adjusts the output level to the operating conditions.
- On
- enables ALC permanently, regardless of the currently selected mode.
- Off

deactivates ALC.

To maintain a defined output level in Off mode, you can choose either **Sample & Hold (S&H)** status or **Table**.

- "S&H" activates ALC briefly when frequency or level settings change.
- "Table"
   uses predefined values from a table to adjust the level at changes.

The following section explains the functionality of "Sample & Hold", to provide an overview and to indicate what is to be considered. "On" and "Auto" require no additionial explanation. Furthermore, find the ALC state settings described in detail in State - ALC.

## ALC OFF (Sample & Hold)

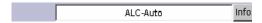
In "S&H" mode, the signal generator switches for a short period of time into CW mode and activates ALC. ALC adjusts the level to the set value and the generator holds the value (freeze). Then, the generator switches ALC off again and back to the operating mode.

RF output behaviour during Sample & Hold depends on the configuration of your instrument. Instruments equipped with...:

- an electronic step attenuator
   The level is decreased by 30 dB.
- a mechanical step attenuator

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The level control status is permanently displayed as a status message in the info line.



## 5.4.9.1 Automatic Level Control Settings

To open the "Automatic Level Control" dialog, select "RF/A Mod" > "Configure" > "Automatic Level Control" or use the MENU key under "RF/A Mod".

The combined dialog "ALC / UCOR" is divided into the several sections and provides access to the "Automatic Level Control" settings and to function "User Correction", see chapter 5.4.10, "User Correction", on page 181).

The top sections of the dialog provide access to the level and attenuator settings (see chapter 5.4.8.3, "Power-On/EMF Settings", on page 178 and chapter 5.4.8.2, "RF Level Dialog", on page 174).



#### State - ALC

Activates/deactivates internal level control.

"Auto" The instrument selects the most appropriate ALC mode automatically.

ALC is on in most operating conditions. Default state.

"On" Activates ALC, regardless of the operating conditions.

If "Attenuator Mode Fixed" is selected in addition, the instrument adjusts

the level of every level and frequency setting.

"Off (Sample &

Deactivates internal level control.

Hold)"

Sample & hold closes the level control loop at every frequency and level change for a short period of time. The level control voltage is sampled

and then clamped.

"Off (Sample & Deactivates internal level control.

Hold High

Works like Sample & Hold, but provides improved level accuracy, by

Accuracy)" increasing the frequency and level setting time up to 20 ms.

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### "Off (Table)"

Deactivates internal level control.

For each change in the level or frequency, the instrument adjusts the level using an attenuation setting in a predefined table (ALC table). The table values are measured in advance and saved with function "Adjust ALC Table - ALC" on page 181. The table is stored in the memory of the instrument. Level attenuation between two table values is done by means of linear interpolation.

This functionality enables faster level adjustments, since the output signal is not interrupted by the measurement, and also not disturbed.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:POWer:ALC:OMODe on page 674

### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:POWer:ALC[:STATe] on page 675

#### Search Once - ALC

Forces the generator to execute level adjustment once, although the "Sample & Hold" mode is active.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:POWer:ALC:SONCe on page 675

# Adjust ALC Table - ALC

Saves ALC readings in an ALC table.

The R&S SMBV performs ALC adjustments according to these predefined values whith the functionState - ALC > "Off (Table)".

## SCPI command:

:CALibration<hw>:LEVel:ALCTable[:MEASure] on page 458

# 5.4.10 User Correction

The "User Correction" function is used to create and activate lists in which level correction values predefined by the user are freely assigned to RF frequencies. Correction is performed by the user-defined table values being added to the output level for the respective RF frequency.

With frequencies which are not contained in the list, the level correction is determined by interpolation of the closest correction values.

The lists are created in the "List Editor". Each list is stored in its own file with the predefined file extension  $\star$ . uco. The name of the User Correction file can be freely selected. The files are loaded from the "Lists..." file manager. Externally created tables with pairs of frequency and level values can be converted into User Correction files using the import function. The external files must have the file extension  $\star$ .txt or  $\star$ .csv. These file formats are provided e.g. by the Microsoft Excel program. The separators for table columns and for decimal floating-point numerals can be set. In addition, internally created User Correction data can be exported into ASCII files using the export function.

The amplitude can also be linearized automatically by means of an R&S NRP power sensor connected to one of the generator output signals. With the aid of the "Fill with

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Sensor" function, a table with correction values for external test assemblies can be automatically determined, e.g. for compensating the frequency response of cables. The User Correction list with the correction values acquired by the sensor is generated in the "Edit User Correction List" menu. The correction values can be acquired any time irrespective of the modulation settings of the generator.

If user correction is activated, the "UCOR" display (User Correction) is shown in the header together with the "Level" display. The RF output level is the sum of both values.

"Level" + "UCOR" = Output level

If activated, user correction is effective in all operating modes.

#### 5.4.10.1 User Correction Menu

Automatic Level Control...
User Correction...

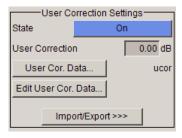
To open the "User Correction" menu, select "RF/A Mod > Configure User Correction" or use the MENU key under "RF/A Mod".

The combined menu "ALC/UCOR" is divided into the several sections.

The top sections provide access to the level and attenuator settings, see chapter 5.4.8.2, "RF Level Dialog", on page 174, and to the automatic level control settings, see chapter 5.4.9, "Automatic Level Control - ALC", on page 178.

# **User Correction Settings**

The "User Correction" settings are set in the most lower section of the combined dialog; this section is used to activate/deactivate user correction, and to create, select and activate the lists.



# **State - User Correction**

Activates/deactivates user correction.

The "UCOR" status message appears in the frequency and level display.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:CORRection[:STATe] on page 623

#### **User Correction Value - User Correction**

Indicates the current value for level correction.

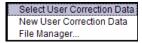
SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:CORRection:VALue on page 623

### User Cor. Data - User Correction

Calls the "File Select" menu for selecting and creating a list or the "File Manager".

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#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce]:CORRection:CSET:DELete on page 618
[:SOURce<hw>]:CORRection:CSET[:SELect] on page 622

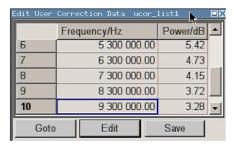
### **Edit User Cor. Data - User Correction**

Calls the editor for editing the selected user correction list.

A list consists of any number of frequency/level value pairs. The currently selected list is displayed.

Each list is saved as a separate file with extension \*.uco. The file name and the directory to which the file is saved are user-selectable.

**Note:** Save list only after filling both columns (frequency and level), otherwise the entries are lost.



"Frequency /

Enters the frequency to which the level correction value applies.

Hz"

**Note:** The "Fill..." function allows to automatically enter any number of

frequencies with freely selectable range and increment.

Using the "Fill With Sensor" function of the "Edit" sub menu requires only the entry of the frequency values. The level values are automatically acquired by the connected power sensor.

"Power/dB"

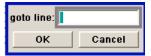
Enters the level correction value to which the specified frequency applies. The values can be entered manually or automatically with the "Fill With Sensor" function (available in the "Edit" sub menu).

"Goto"

Selects row for editing.

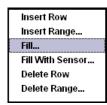


If Goto row is selected, a window opens for entering the requested row.



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"Edit" Calls a selection of possible actions described below.



"Insert Row" Insert a new row before the marked row.

"Insert Range" Insert new rows before the marked row. The number of rows to be inserted can be defined in an entry window.



"Fill...." Opens a sub menu for defining a set of list values to be automatically

entered in the ucor list (see chapter 5.4.10.2, "Filling the Correction List

automatically", on page 186).

"Fill With Sen-

sor"

Calls the menu to activate the filling of the user correction list with level values acquired by the selected power sensor (see chapter 5.4.10.3,

"Filling the Correction List with Power Sensor Measurement

Data", on page 187).

"Delete Row"

Deletes the marked row.

"Delete Range..." Allows to delete any number of rows starting with the marked row. The number of rows to be deleted can be defined in an entry window.



"Save as"

Open the file menu to save the list under a new name.

**Note:** Save list only after filling both columns (frequency and level), otherwise the entries are lost.

Each list is saved to the R&S Signal Generator hard disk as a separate file with the file prefix  $\star$ .uco. The file name and the directory to which

the file is saved are user-selectable.

"Save" The list is saved under its current name.

## SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:CORRection:CSET[:SELect] on page 622
[:SOURce<hw>]:CORRection:CSET:DATA:FREQuency on page 617
[:SOURce<hw>]:CORRection:CSET:DATA:POWer on page 617
```

# Import/Export

User correction list can be imported from externally created files or exported into text or CSV-files. The import/export settings are available after clicking the "Import/Export" button.

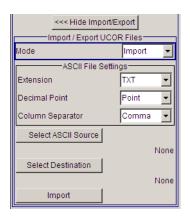
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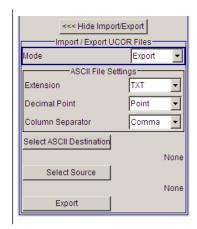
### Import/Export >>>

Expands the menu with the area for import and export of user correction files.

Externally edited Excel tables with any number of frequency/level value pairs can be imported as text or CSV-files and used for user correction.

Conversely, you can also export internally created user correction lists as text or CSV-files.





#### **Mode - User Correction**

Selects if user correction lists should be imported or exported. The settings offered depend on the selected mode.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:CORRection:DEXChange:MODE on page 621

# **Extension - User Correction**

Selects the file extension of the ASCII file to be imported or exported. Selection "TXT" (text file) or "CSV" (Excel file) is available.

# SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:CORRection:DEXChange:AFILe:EXTension on page 619

# **Decimal Point - User Correction**

Selects the decimal separator used in the ASCII data between '.' (decimal point) and ',' (comma) with floating-point numerals.

### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:CORRection:DEXChange:AFILe:SEParator:DECimal
on page 621

# **Column Separator- User Correction**

Selects the separator between the frequency and level column of the ASCII table the user correction list is exported to or imported from.

### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:CORRection:DEXChange:AFILe:SEParator:COLumn
on page 620

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### Select ASCII Source / Destination - User Correction

Calls the "File Manager" for selecting the ASCII file to be imported into a user correction list (source) or the ASCII file the user correction list is exported (destination) in.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:CORRection:DEXChange:AFILe:SELect on page 620

#### **Destination / Source - User Correction**

Calls the "File Manager" for selecting the user correction list to be exported (source) into an ASCII file or the destination for the ASCII file to be imported (destination) in.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:CORRection:DEXChange:SELect on page 622

## **Import / Export - User Correction**

Starts the export or import of the selected file.

When import is selected, the ASCII file is imported as user correction list.

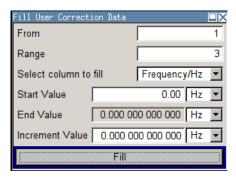
When export is selected, the user correction list is exported into the selected ASCII file.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:CORRection:DEXChange:EXECute on page 621

### **5.4.10.2** Filling the Correction List automatically

The "Fill Table" menu enables you to automatically set the level correction values.



The start line and the number of rows to be filled are defined under "From" and "Range."

The column to be filled is selected under "Select column to fill". Depending on the selection here, the default for start, end, and increment value are set. As the settings are interdependent, a change of one parameter may result in the automatic change of one or more of the other parameters. The filling of the column with the selected value settings is started with button "Fill".



The correction list entries are only computed when the "Fill" button is pressed.

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#### From

Sets the start value of the index range.

SCPI command:

n.a.

# Range

Sets the range for filling the table.

SCPI command:

n.a.

### Select column to fill

Selects either the frequency or the level column to be filled with the value defined below.

SCPI command:

n.a.

#### Start value

Sets the start value for the frequency or the level entries.

SCPI command:

n.a.

# **End value**

Displays the end value for the frequency or the level entries.

SCPI command:

n.a.

### Increment value

Sets the increment for the frequency or the level entries.

SCPI command:

n.a.

### Fill

Fills the selected column in the set range with values, starting with the start value and using the set increment.

SCPI command:

n.a.

## 5.4.10.3 Filling the Correction List with Power Sensor Measurement Data

The level correction values for the user correction list can be acquired by means of R&S NRP power sensors. The R&S NRP sensors are connected to either the SENSOR connector or to one of the USB interfaces. Configuration of the connection is performed in the "Power Sensor" menu (see chapter 5.4.6, "NRP-Z Power Viewer", on page 163). The filling of the ucor list with measurement data is performed in the ucor list editor (see "Edit User Cor. Data - User Correction" on page 183).

In the editor, the frequencies for which the correction values are to be acquired are entered in the frequency column (either manually or by means of the "Fill..." menu).

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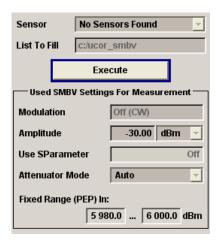


Do not save the list at this point, because the frequency entries are lost as long as there are no entries for the level column also. In the following these entries are automatically acquired by the connected power sensor.

All level correction values for the given frequency values are measured using the Power Sensor and automatically filled in the selected list after the "Execute" button is pressed. The list is automatically stored and recalled again after filling.

# Fill User Correction Data with Sensor Settings

The "Fill with Sensor" button of the "Edit User Correction Data" menu opens the associated menu.



The menu indicates the relevant generator settings.

### Fill User Correction Data with Sensor

All settings are read-only, except the "Sensor". In case more than one sensor is connected to the instrument, the sensor can be selected in the "Sensor" field of menu.

The "Execute" button is only enabled if a sensor is detected and the user correction list contains at least one frequency value.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:CORRection:CSET:DATA[:SENSor<ch>][:POWer]:SONCe
on page 618

# 5.4.11 Reverse Power Protection

The reverse power protection is tripped when the power of the external signal becomes too high. A relay opens and interrupts the internal connection to the RF output. This condition is indicated in the display header by the "OVERLOAD" status message.

#### **Overload**

If an "Overload" status message is indicated in the display header, reset the overload protection by pressing the RF ON/OFF key.

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The RF input is activated when the overload protection is reset.

#### SCPI command:

```
:OUTPut<hw>:PROTection:TRIPped on page 484
:OUTPut<hw>:PROTection:CLEar on page 484
:OUTPut<hw>[:STATe] on page 484
```

# **5.4.12 Analog Modulations**

#### 5.4.12.1 Overview

The R&S SMBV provides the analog modulations amplitude modulation (AM), frequency modulation (FM), phase modulation (PhiM) and pulse modulation (PM). In addition, the RF signal can be modulated with internal modulations waveforms, e.g. sine waves and rectangular signals.

Amplitude, frequency and phase modulation are available for the basic unit (R&S SMBV + frequency option R&S SMBV-B10x) without additional equipment options. A standard LF generator is provided for internal modulation.

Pulse modulation and a pulse generator are provided by options R&S SMBV-K22, Pulse Modulator and R&S SMBV-K23, Pulse Generator, respectively.

Settings for the modulation are made in separate modulation menus. These menus can be accessed in the block diagram by way of the "RF/A Mod" function block, or by means of the menu with the same name which is opened using the MENU key.

# **Enabling/Disabling Analog Modulations using the MOD On/Off Key**

The MOD ON/OFF key switches the modulations on and off.

# MOD ON/OFF

Press the MOD ON/OFF key to enable/disable analog modulations.

Pressing the key again restores the status that was active before the last switch-off. "MOD OFF" is displayed in the info line of the header next to the "Level" field.

### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:MODulation[:ALL]:STATe on page 669
```

### **Modulation Sources**

The following modulations use internal and external modulation sources:

- Amplitude modulation
- Pulse modulation
- Frequency modulation
- Phase modulation

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#### **Internal Modulation Sources**

An LF generator and a pulse generator are available as internal modulation sources for a fully equipped instrument. The LF generator supplies sinusoidal or rectangular signals.

The optional pulse generator provides single and double pulse modulation with selectable pulse widths and periods.

The noise generator supplies white noise with selectable bandwidth and level distribution.

See also chapter 5.4.13.1, "Overview of LF Generator", on page 201.

#### **External Modulation Sources**

The modulation inputs MOD EXT and PULSE EXT at the rear of the instrument are provided as the external modulation source for amplitude, pulse, frequency and phase modulation.

The external modulation signal at the input must have a voltage of  $U_S$  = 1 V ( $U_{EFF}$  = 0.707 V) in order to achieve the displayed modulation depth and range. The input voltage should not exceed 1.1 Vs, otherwise modulation distortions might occur. With external pulse modulation, the switching point is max. 2.4 V and the voltage at the input should not exceed 5 V. The maximum modulation frequency is 10 MHz for frequency and phase modulation.

# Simultaneous Operation of Several Modulations or Other Operating Modes

The table shows the modulations and operating modes which can be activated simultaneously (+) or which deactivate each other (-).

	АМ	FM	PhiM	Pulse	I/Q
Amplitude modulation (AM)	1	+	+	(+)*	-
Frequency modulation (FM)	+	1	-	+	+
Phase modulation (PhiM)	+	-	1	+	+
Pulse modulation	(+)*	+	+	1	+
Vector modulation (I/Q)	-	+	+	+	1

<sup>\* (+) =</sup> compatible with reduced AM modulation performance

### 5.4.12.2 Amplitude Modulation (AM)

An internal or external source can be selected for amplitude modulation. The LF GEN modulation generator is available as the internal source. The I/Q modulator is used for amplitude modulation. Two-tone AM is possible by simultaneously switching on the external and internal source.

The MOD EXT and PULSE EXT input connectors for external feed of analog modulation signals are at the rear of the instrument. The coupling mode of the input (AC or DC) can be selected.

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It is not possible to use AM simultaneously with:

- I/Q modulation,
- arbitrary waveform generation,
- digital modulation and
- · digital standards.

The AM modulation depth is limited by the maximum peak envelope power (PEP).

# **Amplitude Modulation Settings**

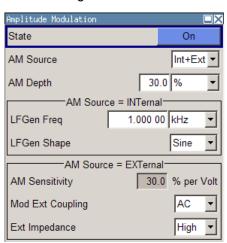
Analog Mod Amplitude Mod...
Frequency Mod...
Phase Mod...
Pulse Mod...

To open the "Amplitude Modulation" dialog, select "RF/A Mod > Configure > Amplitude Modulation" or use the MENU key under "RF/A Mod".

In the upper section of the dialog, the modulation source is selected and the modulation switched on. The modulation source can be selected independently for the different modulation types and the LF output.

The configuration of the selected external and/or internal modulation source is performed in the lower section of the dialog or in the "LF Output" dialog (internal source only).

These settings affect all modulations which use the same modulation source.



#### **State**

Activates/deactivates AM modulation.

Activation of AM deactivates:

- I/Q modulation,
- arbitrary waveform generation,
- digital modulation and
- digital standards.

### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:AM:STATe on page 495

# **AM Source**

Selects the source for the AM signal.

"Internal" Selects the internal LF generator as the source for AM modulation.

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"External" Selects the external source.

The external signal is input via the EXT MOD connector.

"Intern + Selects the internal and external source at the same time. This setting

Extern" enables two-tone AM modulation.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:AM:SOURce on page 495

#### **AM Depth**

Sets the modulation depth in percent.

**Note:** With two-tone modulation, observe that the set modulation depth is valid for both signals and the sum modulation depth is determined by doubling the set modulation depth. This results in overmodulation if the maximal value for modulation depth is exceeded (see data sheet).

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:AM[:DEPTh] on page 494

# LF Gen Frequency

Sets the frequency of the LF generator.

This setting affects all analog modulations which use the LF generator as the internal modulation source.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce]:LFOutput:FREQuency on page 648

### LF Gen Shape

Selects the waveform shape of the LF signal.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce]:LFOutput<ch>:SHAPe on page 655

### **AM Sensitivity**

(Source External only)

Displays the input sensitivity of the EXT MOD input in %/V.

The modulation depth entered under "AM Depth" is reached with 1 volt modulation of the input.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:AM:SENSitivity on page 495

# **AM External Coupling**

(Source External only)

Selects the coupling mode (AC or DC) for external feed.

**Note:** Coupling for external feed via input EXT MOD can be set independently for all modulations with external source.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:AM:EXTernal:COUPling on page 494

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# **External Input Impendance**

(Source External only)

Selects the impedance for external feed via the EXT MOD input.

Selection 600 Ohm and high (>100 kOhm) is available.

**Note:** This setting affects all analog modulations which use the external modulation source.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:INPut:MODext:IMPedance on page 634

# 5.4.12.3 Frequency Modulation (FM)

An internal and/or external source can be selected for frequency modulation. The LF GEN modulation generator is available as the internal source. Two-tone FM is possible by simultaneously switching on the external and internal source.

The MOD EXT and PULSE EXT input connectors for external feed of analog modulation signals are at the rear of the instrument. The coupling mode of the input (AC or DC) can be selected.

Selection between three modulation modes is possible:

- "Normal" mode with full setting range for modulation bandwidth and FM deviation.
- "Low Noise" mode with better signal/noise ratio, but reduced setting range for modulation bandwidth
- "High Deviation" mode with full setting range for FM deviation and a reduced setting range for modulation bandwidth (see data sheet).



It is not possible to use frequency modulation simultaneously with phase modulation.

### **Frequency Modulation Settings**

Analog Mod –
Amplitude Mod...
Frequency Mod...
Phase Mod...
Pulse Mod

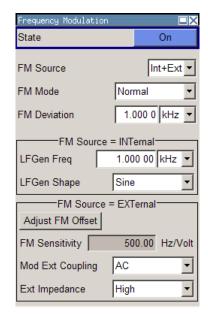
To open the "Frequency Modulation" menu, select "RF/A Mod > Configure > Frequency Modulation" or use the MENU key under "RF/A Mod".

In the upper section of the menu, the modulation source is selected and the modulation is switched on. The modulation source can be selected independently for the different modulation types and the LF output.

The configuration of the selected external and/or internal modulation source is performed in the lower section of the menu (internal source only).

These settings affect all modulations which use the same modulation sources.

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#### State

Activates/deactivates FM modulation.

Activation of FM deactivates phase modulation.

### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:FM:STATe on page 626

## **FM Source**

Selects the source for the FM signal.

"Internal" Selects the internal LF generator as the source for FM modulation.

"External" Selects the external source.

The external signal is input via the EXT MOD connector.

"Internal + Selects the internal and external source at the same time.

External" This setting enables two-tone FM modulation.

# SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:FM:SOURce on page 625

# **FM Mode**

Selects the mode for the frequency modulation.

"Normal" The maximum range for modulation bandwidth and FM deviation is

available.

"Low Noise" Frequency modulation with phase noise and spurious characteristics

close to CW mode. The range for modulation bandwidth and FM devi-

ation is reduced (see data sheet).

"High Devia- Frequency modulation with full setting range for FM deviation. The

tion" range for modulation bandwidth is reduced (see data sheet).

### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:FM:MODE on page 624

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#### **FM** Deviation

Sets the modulation deviation in Hz.

The deviation is given as the absolute deviation in relation to the set center frequency, e.g. a deviation 5 MHz at a center frequency of 1 GHz leads to a frequency modulation between 995 MHz and 1005 MHz.

The maximal deviation depends on the RF frequency set and the selected modulation mode (see data sheet). It is possible to enter a deviation that is too high for a certain RF frequency or to vary the RF frequency to a range in which the deviation can no longer be set. In this case the maximally possible deviation is set and an error message is displayed.

The deviation of the internal source must not exceed the deviation of the external source in case of modulation source "Int+Ext".

#### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:FM[:DEViation] on page 624
```

### LF Gen Frequency

Sets the frequency of the LF generator.

This setting affects all analog modulations which use the LF generator as the internal modulation source.

### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce]:LFOutput:FREQuency on page 648
```

### LF Gen Shape

Selects the waveform shape of the LF signal.

## SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce]:LFOutput<ch>:SHAPe on page 655
```

# **FM Sensitivity**

(Source External only)

Displays the input sensitivity of the EXT MOD input in Hz/V.

The modulation depth entered under "FM Depth" is reached with 1 Volt (=  $U_{peak}$ ) of the input signal.

**Note:** The input voltage should not exceed 1.1  $V_p$  otherwise modulation distortions might occur.

# SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:FM:SENSitivity on page 625
```

## Adjust FM Offset

Starts the adjustment for the FM/PhiM modulator. The option is adjusted with respect to DC-offset.

## SCPI command:

```
:CALibration<hw>:FMOFfset[:MEASure] on page 457
```

# **FM External Coupling**

(Source External only)

Selects the coupling mode (AC or DC) for external feed.

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**Note:** Coupling for external feed via input EXT MOD can be set independently for all modulations with external source.

"AC" The d.c. voltage content is separated from the modulation signal.

"DC" The modulation signal is not altered.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:FM:EXTernal:COUPling on page 624

# **External Input Impendance**

(Source External only)

Selects the impedance for external feed via the EXT MOD input.

Selection 600 Ohm and high (>100 kOhm) is available.

**Note:** This setting affects all analog modulations which use the external modulation source.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:INPut:MODext:IMPedance on page 634

### 5.4.12.4 Phase Modulation (PhiM)



It is not possible to use phase modulation simultaneously with frequency modulation.

An internal and/or external source can be selected for phase modulation. The LF GEN modulation generator is available as the internal source.

The MOD EXT and PULSE EXT input connectors for external feed of analog modulation signals are at the rear of the instrument. The coupling mode of the input (AC or DC) and the impedance can be selected.

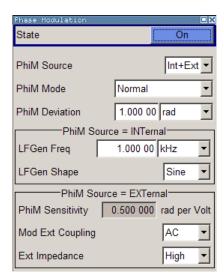
Selection between the following modulation modes is possible:

- "Normal" mode with full setting range for modulation bandwidth and PhiM deviation.
- "Low Phase" mode with better signal/noise ratio, but reduced setting range for modulation bandwidth and deviation (see data sheet)
- "High Deviation" mode with full setting range for PhiM deviation and a reduced setting range for modulation bandwidth. Phase noise is reduced in the lower modulation frequency range compared to the default mode.

#### **Phase Modulation Menu**

Analog Mod — Amplitude Mod... Frequency Mod... Phase Mod... To open the "Phase Modulation" menu, select "RF/A Mod > Configure > Phase Modulation" or use the MENU key under "RF/A Mod".

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In the upper section of the menu, the modulation source is selected and the modulation switched on. The modulation source can be selected independently for the different modulation types and the LF output.

The configuration of the selected external and/or internal modulation source is performed in the lower section of the menu (internal source only).

These settings affect all modulations which use the same modulation sources.

### **State**

Activates/deactivates PhiM modulation.

Activation of PhiM deactivates frequency modulation.

### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:PM:STATe on page 673

### **PhiM Source**

Selects the source for the PhiM signal.

"Internal" Selects the internal LF generator as the source for PhiM modulation.

"External" Selects the external source.

The external signal is input via the EXT MOD connector.

"Internal + Selects the internal and external source at the same time.

External"

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:PM:SOURce on page 673

#### **PhiM Mode**

Selects the mode for the phase modulation.

"Normal" The full range for modulation bandwidth and PM deviation is available.

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"High Deviation" The maximum range for PhiM deviation is available. Phase noise is improved for low frequencies compared to the default mode. The range

for modulation frequency is limited (see data sheet).

This mode is recommended for low modulation frequencies and/or high

PhiM deviation.

"Low Phase" Phase modulation with phase noise and spurious characteristics close

to CW mode. The range for modulation bandwidth and PM deviation is

reduced (see data sheet).

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:PM:MODE on page 672

### **PhiM Deviation**

Sets the modulation depth in RAD or degrees.

The maximal deviation depends on the RF frequency set and the selected modulation mode (see data sheet). It is possible to enter a deviation that is too high for a certain RF frequency or to vary the RF frequency to a range in which the deviation can no longer be set. In this case the maximally possible deviation is set and an error message is displayed.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:PM[:DEViation] on page 671

# LF Gen Frequency

Sets the frequency of the LF generator.

This setting affects all analog modulations which use the LF generator as the internal modulation source.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce]:LFOutput:FREQuency on page 648

# LF Gen Shape

Selects the waveform shape of the LF signal.

## SCPI command:

[:SOURce]:LFOutput<ch>:SHAPe on page 655

# **PhiM Sensitivity**

(Source External only)

Displays the input sensitivity of the EXT MOD input in RAD/V.

The modulation depth entered under "PhiM Depth" is reached with 1 volt (=U<sub>peak</sub>) of the input signal.

**Note:** The input voltage should not exceed 1.1  $V_p$  otherwise modulation distortions might occur.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:PM:SENSitivity on page 673

### **Mod External Coupling**

Selects the coupling mode (AC OR DC) for external feed.

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**Note:** Coupling for external feed via input EXT MOD can be set independently for all modulations with external source.

"AC" The DC voltage content is separated from the modulation signal.

"DC" The modulation signal is not altered.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:PM:EXTernal:COUPling on page 671

# **External Input Impendance**

(Source External only)

Selects the impedance for external feed via the EXT MOD input.

Selection 600 Ohm and high (>100 kOhm) is available.

**Note:** This setting affects all analog modulations which use the external modulation source.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:INPut:MODext:IMPedance on page 634

### 5.4.12.5 Pulse Modulation (PM)

External and internal Pulse modulation requires options R&S SMBV-K22, Pulse Modulator and R&S SMBV-K23, Pulse Generator.

An internal or external source can be selected for pulse modulation. In case of external source, the external signal is input via the PULSE EXT connector at the rear of the instrument. In case of internal source, this connector can be used as external trigger or gate signal input for internal pulse modulation. The polarity and input impedance of the connector can be selected.

The pulse signal is output at the PULSE VIDEO connector at the rear of the instrument.



## Automatic Level Control is deactivated with pulse modulation!

When pulse modulation is activated, the ALC state of the R&S SMBV is automatically changed to "ALC OFF" ("Sample & Hold"). In this state, the ALC loop is opened and the output level is not regulated but the level modulator is set directly. In order to set the correct output level, a sample & hold measurement is executed after each frequency or level setting.

The level is decreased by 30 dB during "Sample&Hold" measurement.

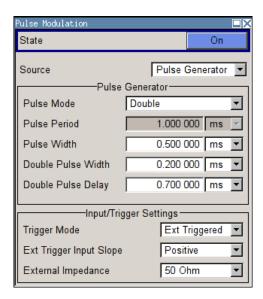
### **Pulse Modulation Settings**

Analog Mod Amplitude Mod... Frequency Mod... Phase Mod... To open the "Pulse Modulation" menu, select "RF/A Mod > Configure > Pulse Modulation" or use the MENU key under "RF/A Mod".

In the upper section of the menu, the modulation source is selected and the modulation switched on. The configuration of the selected external and/or internal modulation source is performed in the lower section of the menu.

The menu varies according to the selected modulation source.

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In case of modulation source pulse generator, the settings for the pulse characteristics and the trigger are offered in the "Pulse Generator" section of the "Pulse Modulation" dialog. Option R&S SMBV-K23 offers extended features, e.g. generation of double pulse or selection of trigger mode. For description of the pulse generator dialog, see chapter 5.4.13.3, "Pulse Generator", on page 203.

The output of the video/sync signal at the PULSE VIDEO output is automatically switched on when activating pulse modulation. It can be switched off in the "Pulse Generator" menu.

#### **State**

Activates/deactivates pulse modulation.

Activation of pulse modulation deactivates ALC and power ramping.

When the internal modulation source (pulse generator) is selected, the pulse generator is switched on automatically and the video/sync signal is output at the PULSE VIDEO output at the rear of the instrument. Signal output can be switched off in the "Pulse Generator" dialog (see chapter 5.4.13.3, "Pulse Generator", on page 203).

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:PULM:STATe on page 688

#### Source

Selects the source for the pulse modulation signal.

"Pulse Genera- Selects the Pulse Generator as modulation source.

tor" The settings for the pulse characteristics and the trigger are offered in

the "Pulse Generator" section of the "Pulse Modulation" menu.

"External" Selects the external source.

The external modulation signal is input via the EXT MOD connector.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:PULM:SOURce on page 688

#### **Polarity**

(External Source only)

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Selects the polarity of the modulation signal.

"Normal" The RF signal is **On** while the level is high at the modulation input.

"Inverted" The RF level is ON while the level is LOW at the modulation input.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:PULM:POLarity on page 687

# 5.4.13 LF Generator and LF Output - Mod Gen

#### 5.4.13.1 Overview of LF Generator

An LF generator providing sinusoidal and square signals in the frequency range 0.1 Hz to 1 MHz is available for the basic unit without additional equipment options.

The internal LF generator is available as the internal source for the analog modulations AM, FM / PM and Pulse, and also as the signal source for the LF output at the rear of the instrument.

The frequency setting for the LF generator can be made both in the modulation dialogs and in the "LF Generator / Output" dialog. The settings are effective for all modulations using the internal modulation source.

A change to the frequency of the LF generator automatically has an effect on modulation if the LF generator is selected as the modulation source (i.e. "Internal" is selected as "Source").

The LF Sweep mode is activated in the "LF Frequency Sweep" dialog (see chapter 5.4.14.4, "LF Frequency Sweep", on page 221). "RF frequency" and "RF Level" sweeps are activated in the respective dialogs of the RF block.

The option Pulse Generator (R&S SMBV-K23) enables the generation of single and double pulse signals.

The generator is activated and configured in the "Pulse Generator" dialog of the "Mod RF/A Mod" block or in the "Pulse Modulation" dialog ("Pulse Generator" is selected as Source).

# 5.4.13.2 LF Output



To open the combined "LF Frequency Sweep / LF Output" dialog, select "RF/A Mod" > "Configure" > "LF Generator / Output" or use the MENU key under "RF/A Mod".

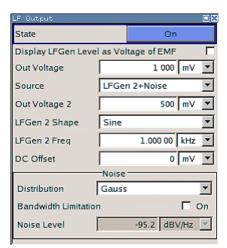
To open the "LF Generator / Output" dialog, select "RF A / MOD" > "Configure" > "LF Generator / Output" or use the MENU key under "Mod Gen".

The "LF Output" dialog provides access to the configuration of the internal modulation generators. In addition, the LF output is configured in this menu. The available settings depend on the source selected and on the installed options.

In the upper section of the menu, the LF output is switched on. The configuration of the internal source is performed in the lower section of the "LF Output" menu or in the indi-

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vidual modulation menus (e.g. "Amplitude Modulation" menu). These settings affect all modulations which use the same modulation sources and the LF output.



# **LF Output Dialog**

## State - LF Output

Activates/deactivates the LF output. This setting has no effect on the modulations.

The modulation signal is output at the LF OUTPUT connector of the instrument.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce]:LFOutput[:STATe] on page 651

# **Output Voltage - LF Output**

Sets the output voltage of the LF output. The entered value determines the peak voltage.

## SCPI command:

[:SOURce]:LFOutput:VOLTage on page 655

## LF Gen Frequency

Sets the frequency of the LF generator.

This setting affects all analog modulations which use the LF generator as the internal modulation source.

# SCPI command:

[:SOURce]:LFOutput:FREQuency on page 648

# LF Gen Shape

Selects the waveform shape of the LF signal.

## SCPI command:

[:SOURce]:LFOutput<ch>:SHAPe on page 655

# LF Source Impedance

Selects the output impedance of the LF generator. Selection LOW and 600 Ohm are available.

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For instruments with older version of the RF board, the LF output impedance is forced to LOW and cannot be changed.

#### SCPI command:

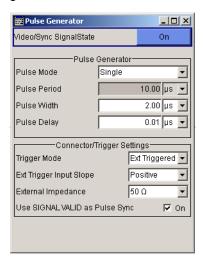
[:SOURce]:LFOutput:SIMPedance on page 655

#### 5.4.13.3 Pulse Generator

The "Pulse Generator" dialog is used to activate and configure a pulse modulation signal.



To open the "Pulse Generator" dialog, select "RF/A Mod" > "Configure" > "Pulse Generator" or use the MENU key under "RF/A Mod". Alternatively, you can configure the pulse generator in the "Pulse Modulation" dialog of the "RF/A Mod" block.



# **Pulse Generator Settings**

The dialog provides the settings for the pulse characteristics and trigger mode.

#### Video Sync Signal State - Pulse Generator

Switches on/off the output of the video/sync signal at the PULSE VIDEO connector. The signal output and the pulse generator are automatically switched on with activation of pulse modulation if pulse generator is selected as modulation source. The signal output can be switched off subsequently.

# SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:PGEN:STATe on page 669

# Pulse Mode - Pulse Generator

Sets the mode of the pulse generator.

"Single" A single pulse is generated in one pulse period.

"Double" Two pulses are generated in one pulse period. Additional settings for

the double pulse are available in the menu.

# SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:PULM:MODE on page 686

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#### **Pulse Period - Pulse Generator**

Sets the period of the generated pulse. The period determines the repetition frequency of the internal signal.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:PULM:PERiod on page 687

#### **Pulse Width - Pulse Generator**

Sets the width of the generated pulse. The width determines the pulse length. The pulse width must be at least 20 ns less than the set pulse period.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:PULM:WIDTh on page 690

# Pulse Delay - Pulse Generator

(External trigger only)

Sets the pulse delay. The pulse delay determines the time that elapses after a trigger event before pulse modulation starts. The pulse delay is not effective for double pulse generation.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:PULM:DELay on page 685

#### **Double Pulse Width - Pulse Generator**

(Double Pulse only)

Sets the width of the second pulse.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:PULM:DOUBle:WIDTh on page 686

# **Double Pulse Delay - Pulse Generator**

(Double Pulse only)

Sets the delay from the start of the first pulse to the start of the second pulse.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:PULM:DOUBle:DELay on page 685

#### **Trigger Mode - Pulse Generator**

Selects the trigger mode for pulse modulation.

"Auto" The pulse generator signal is generated continuously.

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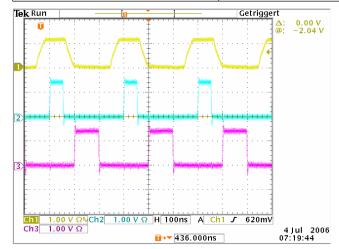
"Ext Triggered"

The pulse generator signal is triggered by an external trigger event. The trigger signal is supplied via the PULSE EXT connector.

# Example: Generation of pulse signals using trigger modes Ext Triggered (Single Pulse)

The measurement were made using a 6-dB-attenuator.

Parameter	Value
Trigger Mode	Ext Triggered
Double Pulse State	Off
External Trigger Input Slope	Positive
Pulse Delay	100 ns
Pulse Width	100 ns
Pulse Period	-



Channel = Indicates the external trigger signal which is input at the PULSE EXT connector. The positive slope is active.

Channel = Indicates the sync signal. The sync signal starts after a trigger delay of typically 50 ns (see specifications). The sync signal is output at the PULSE SYNC connector.

Channel = Indicates the pulse signal. The pulse signal starts after the set pulse delay of 3 100 ns. It is output at the PULSE VIDEO connector.

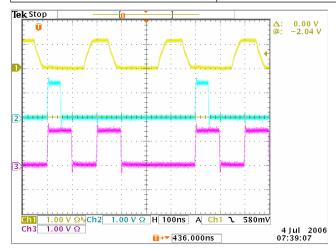
# Example: Generation of pulse signals using trigger modes Ext Triggered (Double Pulse)

The measurement were made using a 6-dB-attenuator.

Parameter	Value
Trigger Mode	Ext Triggered
Double Pulse State	On
External Trigger Input Slope	Negative
Pulse Width	100 ns

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Parameter	Value
Double Pulse Width	100 ns
Double Pulse Delay	200 ns
Pulse Period, Pulse Delay	-



- Chan- = Indicates the external trigger signal which is input at the PULSE EXT connector. The negative slope is active. A second trigger signal during double pulse generation is without effect.
- Channel 2 = Indicates the sync signal. The sync signal starts after a trigger delay of typically
  50 ns (see specifications). The sync signal is output at the PULSE SYNC connector.
- Channel 3 = Indicates the double pulse signal. The first pulse starts without a delay. The second pulse starts after the set double pulse delay (time between start of first pulse to start of second pulse). The double pulse is output at the PULSE VIDEO connector.

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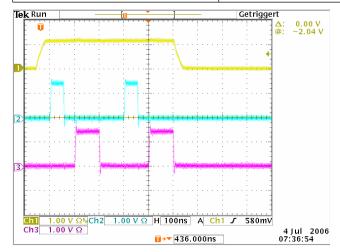
"Ext Gated"

The pulse generator signal is gated by an external gate signal. The signal is supplied via the PULSE EXT connector.

# Example: Generation of pulse signals using trigger modes Ext gated (Single Pulse)

The measurement were made using a 6-dB-attenuator.

Parameter	Value
Trigger Mode	Ext Gated
Double Pulse State	Off
External Trigger Input Slope	Positive
Pulse Delay	100 ns
Pulse Width	100 ns
Pulse Period	300 ns



Chan- = Indicates the external gate signal which is input at the PULSE EXT connector. nel 1 The signal is active when it is high (positive).

Channel 2 = Indicates the sync signal. The sync signal starts after a trigger delay of typically
50 ns (see specifications). It is repeated after the set pulse period of 300 ns
as long as the gate signal is active. The sync signal is output at the (PULSE)
SYNC connector.

Chanel Indicates the pulse signal. The first pulse starts after the pulse delay of 100
ns. The second pulse starts after the set pulse period. They are output at the (PULSE) VIDEO connector.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:PULM:TRIGger:MODE on page 689

# **External Trigger Input Slope - Pulse Generator**

(External Trigger only)

Sets the polarity of the active slope of an applied trigger signal.

"Positive" The pulse generator is triggered on the positive slope of the external trigger signal.

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"Negative" The pulse generator is triggered on the negative slope of the external

trigger signal.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:PULM:TRIGger:EXTernal:SLOPe on page 689

# **Gate Input Polarity - Pulse Generator**

(Trigger Mode External Gated only)

Selects the polarity of the Gate signal.

The signal is supplied via the PULSE EXT connector.

"Normal" The pulse signal is generated while the gate signal is high.

"Inverse" The pulse signal is generated while the gate signal is low.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:PULM:TRIGger:EXTernal:GATE:POLarity on page 688

#### **Pulse External Input Impedance**

Selects the input impedance (10 kOhm or 50 Ohm) for the external trigger and gate signal input (PULSE EXT).

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:PULM:TRIGger:EXTernal:IMPedance on page 689

#### Use SIGNAL VALID as Pulse Sync

Configures the signal at the SIGNAL VALID connector (rear panel):

"selected" Indicates the validity of the RF signal at the output:

• high: while the signal settles.

low: when it is stable (valid).

"cleared" Generates a single pulse at the beginning of a pulse sequence, e.g. to

synchronize pulse modulation.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:PULM:OUTPut:SYNC[:STATe] on page 686

# 5.4.14 Sweep Mode

# 5.4.14.1 Overview

The R&S Signal Generator offers three different sweep types (frequency sweep, level sweep and LF sweep) to be activated alternatively. Each type has 6 modes which differ with respect to the sweep cycle mode (continuous, individual and step-by-step) and triggering mode (automatic, internal and external).



Sweeps and List mode can not be activated simultaneously, they deactivate each other.

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### Setting a sweep

A sweep is set in five basic steps which are shown below taking a frequency sweep as an example.

- 1. Set the sweep range ("Start Freq" and "Stop Freq" or "Center Freq" and "Span").
- 2. Select linear or logarithmic sweep spacing ("Spacing").
- 3. Set the step width ("Step Lin/Log") and dwell time ("Dwell Time").
- 4. Activate the sweep ("Mode" to Auto, Single, Step or Extern Single, Extern Step).
- 5. Trigger the sweep, except for Auto mode ("Execute Single Sweep", Current Frequency or External Trigger Signal).



It is recommended to switch off the GUI update for optimum sweep performance especially with short dwell times (see chapter 5.2.3.5, "Gui Update", on page 115).

#### 5.4.14.2 RF Frequency Sweep

The dialog is used to activate and configure a sweep for the RF frequency.

RF Frequency Sweep...
Level Sweep...
LF Frequency Sweep...

To open the "Frequency Sweep" menu, select "RF/A Mod > Configure > RF Frequency Sweep" or use the menu tree of the MENU key under "RF Signal".

In the top section of the menu, the RF sweep mode is activated and the sweep mode is selected.

The buttons are used to reset the RF sweep (all sweep modes) or to execute the RF sweep ("Single" mode).

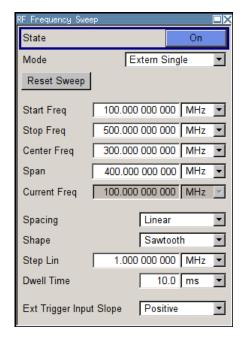
The sweep range, sweep spacing and dwell time are set in the bottom section.

The sweep range of the RF sweep can be entered in two ways, either by entering the "Start" and "Stop" value or by entering the "Center" and "Span".

The two sets of parameters influence each other in the following way:

- "Start Freq" = "Center Freq" "Span"/2
- "Stop Freq" = "Center Freq" + "Span"/2
- "Center Freq" = ("Start Freq" + STOP FREQ)/2
- "Span" = "Stop Freq" "Start Freq"

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## **RF Frequency Sweep Settings**

# State - Frequency Sweep

Activates/deactivates RF sweep mode.

**Note:** Activating the RF-Sweep mode automatically disables other sweep modes, and the list mode.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:FREQuency:MODE on page 630

# **Mode - Frequency Sweep**

Selects the sweep instrument operating mode and the sweep mode.

"Auto"

Sets an automatic repeated sweep cycle. If a different sweep mode was activated prior to the "Auto" mode, the cycle continues from the current sweep setting.

The "Reset Sweep" button resets the sweep to the start frequency.

## Example:

SOUR: SWE: FREQ: MODE AUTO

TRIG:FSW:SOUR AUTO
SOUR:FREQ:MODE SWE

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"Single"

Sets a single sweep cycle. The sweep is triggered by the "Execute Single Sweep" button.

If a different sweep mode was activated prior to the "Single" mode, the current sweep is stopped. The "Single" sweep always starts at the start frequency when triggered.

The "Reset Sweep" button resets the sweep to the start frequency.

## Example:

SOUR: SWE: FREQ: MODE AUTO

TRIG:FSW:SOUR SING SOUR:FREQ:MODE SWE SOUR:SWE:FREQ:EXEC

"Step"

Sets a step-by-step sweep cycle.

When mode "Step" is activated, the frequency is set to the sweep "Start Freq".

To step through the sweep frequencies manually, open the "Current Freq" field for input and use the UP / DOWN navigation keys or the rotary knob.

You can determine the step width below in the entry field "Step Lin" or "Step Log", see Step Lin/Log - Frequency Sweep.

If a sweep range border frequency ("Start Freq" or "Stop Freq") is reached, step commands in direction out of the sweep range are ignored.

The "Reset Sweep" button resets the sweep to the start frequency.

**Note:** To step through the sweep frequencies in remote control mode, use the FREQ:MAN command with the UP or DOWN parameter.

## Example:

SOUR: FREQ: CENT 300MHz SOUR: FREQ: SPAN 400MHz

SOUR: SWE: FREQ: SPAC LIN

SOUR: SWE: FREQ: STEP: LIN 100MHz

SOUR: FREQ: MODE MAN set sweep mode "Step".

SOUR: FREQ: MODE SW

activate sweep mode, the frequency is set to "Start Freq".

SOUR: FREQ: MAN UP

set the frequency to the next higher sweep frequency.

SOUR: FREQ: MAN DOWN

set the frequency to the next lower sweep frequency.

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"Extern Single"

Sets a single sweep cycle. The sweep is triggered by an external trigger signal.

If a different sweep mode was activated prior to the "Extern Single" mode, the current sweep is stopped. The "Extern Single" sweep always starts at the start frequency when triggered.

Refer to the description of the rear panel for information about the connectors for external trigger signal input (see chapter 2.2, "Rear Panel Tour", on page 25).

The "Reset Sweep" button resets the sweep to the start frequency.

# Example:

SOUR: SWE: FREQ: MODE AUTO
TRIG: FSW: SOUR EXT
SOUR: FREQ: MODE SWE (External trigger)

"Extern Step"

Sets a step-by-step sweep cycle. Each sweep step is triggered by an external trigger signal (trigger source as described under "Extern Single"). The step width is set below at entry field "Step Lin" or "Step Log".

If a different sweep mode was activated prior to the "Extern Step" mode, the current sweep is stopped. The "Extern Step" sweep always starts at the start frequency when triggered.

The "Reset Sweep" button resets the sweep to the start frequency.

# Example:

SOUR:SWE:FREQ:MODE STEP
SOUR:SWE:FREQ:SPAC LIN
SOUR:SWE:FREQ:STEP:LIN 1MHz

TRIG:FSW:SOUR EXT

SOUR: FREQ: MODE SWE (External trigger)

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"Extern Start/ Stop" Sets an automaticly repeated sweep cycle that is started, stopped and restartet by subsequent external trigger events.

The first external trigger signal starts the sweep (Start).

The next external trigger signal stops the sweep at the current frequency (Stop).

The third external trigger signal starts the sweep at the start frequency (Start).

If a different sweep mode was activated prior to the "Extern Start/ Stop" mode, the current sweep is stopped and the "Extern Start/Stop" sweep starts at the start frequency when triggered.

The "Reset" button resets the sweep to the start frequency.

Refer to the description of the rear panel for information about the connectors for external trigger signal input.

The external trigger signal is input at the rear of the instrument (BNC connector INST TRIG).

# Example:

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SOUR:SWE:FREQ:MODE AUTO
TRIG:FSW:SOUR EAUT
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SOUR: FREQ: MODE SWE (External trigger)

## SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:SWEep[:FREQuency]:MODE on page 694
:TRIGger<hw>:FSWeep:SOURce on page 721
[:SOURce<hw>]:FREQuency:MODE on page 630
```

# **Execute Single Sweep - Frequency Sweep**

Triggers the sweep manually. A manual sweep can only be triggered if "Mode Single" is selected.

# SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:SWEep[:FREQuency]:EXECute on page 694
```

# Reset Sweep - Frequency Sweep

Resets the sweep. The start frequency is set and the next sweep starts from there.

#### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:SWEep:RESet[:ALL] on page 701
```

# Start Freq - Frequency Sweep

Sets the start frequency.

# SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:FREQuency:STARt on page 632
```

# Stop Freq - Frequency Sweep

Sets the stop frequency.

# SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:FREQuency:STOP on page 632
```

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#### **Center Freq - Frequency Sweep**

Sets the center frequency.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:FREQuency:CENTer on page 627

# Span - Frequency Sweep

Sets the span.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:FREQuency:SPAN on page 631

## **Current Freq - Frequency Sweep**

Displays the current frequency.

If "Step" is set, the frequency for the next frequency step of the sweep is entered here.

# SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:FREQuency:MANual on page 629

# **Spacing - Frequency Sweep**

Selects linear or logarithmic sweep spacing.

"Linear" With the linear sweep, the step width is a fixed frequency value which

is added to the current frequency. The step width is entered below.

"Logarithmic" With the logarithmic sweep, the step width is a constant fraction of the

current frequency. This fraction is added to the current frequency. The

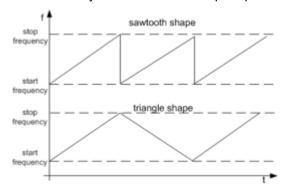
logarithmic step width is entered below in %.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:SWEep[:FREQuency]:SPACing on page 696

#### **Shape - RF Frequency Sweep**

Selects the cycle mode for a sweep sequence (shape).



"Sawtooth"

One sweep runs from start to stop frequency. Each subsequent sweep starts at the start frequency, i.e. the shape of the sweep sequence resembles a sawtooth.

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"Triangle"

One sweep runs from start to stop frequency and back, i.e. the shape of the sweep resembles a triangle. Each subsequent sweep starts at the start frequency.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:SWEep[:FREQuency]:SHAPe on page 696

## Step Lin/Log - Frequency Sweep

Sets the step width for the individual sweep steps. This entry is effective for all sweep modes.

"Step Lin" or "Step Log" is displayed depending on whether "Spacing Lin" or "Log" is selected.

"Step Lin"

With the linear sweep, the step width is a fixed frequency value which is added to the current frequency. The linear step width is entered in Hz.

# SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:SWEep[:FREQuency]:STEP[:LINear] on page 697

"Step Log"

With the logarithmic sweep, the step width is a constant fraction of the current frequency. The logarithmic step width is entered in %. Successive frequencies are calculated as follows:

- start\_f < stop\_f</li>
   f2 = f1 \* (1 + step\_log / 100)
   If f2 > stop\_f: f2 is set to stop\_f.
- start\_f > stop\_f
   f2 = f1 / (1 + step\_log / 100)
   If f2 < stop\_f: f2 is set to stop\_f.</li>

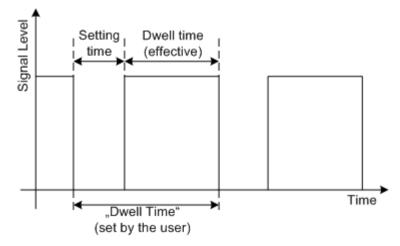
When the shape "Triangle" is set, the frequency values on the slope from **stop\_f** back to **start\_f** are the same as on the slope from **start\_f** to **stop\_f**.

## SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:SWEep[:FREQuency]:STEP:LOGarithmic on page 698

# **Dwell Time - Frequency Sweep**

Sets the dwell time. The dwell time determines the duration of the individual sweep steps.



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The "Dwell Time" set by the user is used as the step time of the sweep. The effective net dwell time is shorter, reduced by the setting time. This setting time may be greater than the time specified in the data sheet.

#### Note:

It is recommended to switch off the GUI update for optimum sweep performance especially with short dwell times (see chapter 5.2.3.5, "Gui Update", on page 115).

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:SWEep[:FREQuency]:DWELl on page 693

#### **Trigger Input Slope**

Sets the polarity of the active slope of an applied instrument trigger.

This setting affects the INST TRIG input (BNC connector at the rear of the instrument).

"Positive" The rising edge of the trigger signal is active.

"Negative" The falling edge of the trigger signal is active.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce]:INPut:TRIGger:SLOPe on page 636

# **5.4.14.3** RF Level Sweep



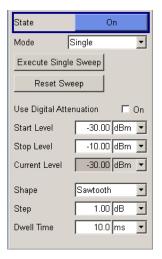
To open the "Level Sweep" menu, select "RF/A Mod > Configure > Level Sweep" or use the MENU key under "RF/A Mod".

## **RF Level Sweep Settings**

The "RF Level Sweep" dialog is used to activate and configure a sweep for the RF level.

In the top section, the Level Sweep is activated and the sweep mode is selected. The buttons are used to reset the level sweep (all sweep modes) or to execute the level sweep ("Single" mode).

The sweep range, sweep spacing and dwell time are set in the bottom section.



#### State - Level Sweep

Activates Level Sweep mode.

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**Note:** Activating the RF level sweep mode automatically disables other sweep modes, and the list mode.

# SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:POWer:MODE on page 680

# Mode - Level Sweep

Selects the level sweep instrument operating mode and the sweep mode.

"Auto"

Sets an automatically repeated sweep cycle. If a different sweep mode was activated prior to the "Auto" mode, the cycle continues from the current sweep setting.

The "Reset Sweep" button resets the sweep to the start level.

#### Example:

SOUR:SWE:POW:MODE AUTO TRIG:PSW:SOUR AUTO SOUR:POW:MODE SWE

"Single"

Sets a single sweep cycle. The sweep is triggered by the "Execute Single Sweep" button.

If a different sweep mode was activated prior to the "Single" mode, the current sweep is stopped. The single sweep always starts at the start level.

The "Reset Sweep" button resets the sweep to the start level.

# Example:

SOUR:SWE:POW:MODE AUTO

TRIG:PSW:SOUR SING SOUR:POW:MODE SWE SOUR:SWE:POW:EXEC

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"Step"

Sets a step-by-step sweep cycle.

If this mode is activated, the cursor moves to the value displayed for "Current Level". Each sweep step is triggered by a variation of the value in the "Current Level" entry window. The step width is set below at entry field "Step".

If this mode is activated, the cursor moves to the value displayed for "Current Level". If a different sweep mode was activated prior to the "Step" mode, the current sweep is stopped. The step sweep starts at the current level value.

The "Reset Sweep" button resets the sweep to the start level.

# Example:

SOUR:SWE:POW:MODE MAN SOUR:SWE:POW:STEP 0.5 SOUR:POW:MODE SWE SOUR:POW:MAN -16

The value entered with command SOUR: SWE: POW: STEP sets the step width.

The value entered with command  $\mathtt{SOUR:POW:MAN}$  has no effect, the command only triggers the next sweep step. However, the value has to be in the currently set sweep range (start to stop). In remote control only a step-by-step sweep from start to stop frequency is possible.

"Extern Single"

Sets a single sweep cycle. The sweep is triggered by an external trigger signal.

If a different sweep mode was activated prior to the "Extern Single" mode, the current sweep is stopped. The "Extern Single" sweep always starts at the start level.

Refer to the description of the rear panel for information about the connectors for external trigger signal input (see chapter 2.2, "Rear Panel Tour", on page 25).

The "Reset Sweep" button resets the sweep to the start level.

#### Example:

SOUR:SWE:POW:MODE AUTO

TRIG:PSW:SOUR EXT

SOUR: POW: MODE SWE (External trigger)

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#### "Extern Step"

Sets a step-by-step sweep cycle. Each sweep step is triggered by an external trigger signal (trigger source as described under "Extern Single"). The step width corresponds to the step width of the rotary knob. If a different sweep mode was activated prior to the "Extern Step" mode, the current sweep is stopped. The "Extern Step" sweep always starts at the start level.

The "Reset Sweep" button resets the sweep to the start level.

#### Example:

```
SOUR:SWE:POW:MODE STEP
SOUR:SWE:POW:STEP 0.5
TRIG:PSW:SOUR EXT
SOUR:POW:MODE SWE (External trigger)
```

# "Extern Start/ Stop"

Sets an automatically repeated sweep cycle that is started, stopped and restartet by subsequent external trigger events.

The first external trigger signal starts the sweep (Start).

The next external trigger signal stops the sweep at the current frequency (Stop).

The third external trigger signal starts the sweep at the start frequency (Start).

If a different sweep mode was activated prior to the "Extern Start/ Stop" mode, the current sweep is stopped and the "Extern Start/Stop" sweep starts at the start frequency when triggered.

The "Reset" button resets the sweep to the start level.

Refer to the description of the rear panel for information about the connectors for external trigger signal input (see chapter 2.2, "Rear Panel Tour", on page 25).

## Example:

```
SOUR:SWE:POW:MODE AUTO
TRIG:PSW:SOUR EAUT
SOUR:POW:MODE SWE (External trigger)
```

#### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:SWEep:POWer:MODE on page 699
:TRIGger<hw>:PSWeep:SOURce on page 723.
[:SOURce<hw>]:POWer:MODE on page 680
```

## Reset Sweep - Level Sweep

Resets the sweep. The start level is set and the next sweep starts from there.

# SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:SWEep:RESet[:ALL] on page 701
```

# **Execute Single Sweep - Level Sweep**

Triggers the sweep manually. A manual sweep can only be triggered if "Mode Single" is selected.

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#### Example:

SOUR:SWE:POW:MODE AUTO
TRIG:PSW:SOUR SING
SOUR:POW:MODE SWE
SOUR:SWE:EXEC

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:SWEep:POWer:EXECute on page 699

# **Use Digital Attenuation**

Activates the use of digital attenuation during RF power sweep.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:SWEep:POWer:DATTenuator:STATe on page 698

# Start Level - Level Sweep

Sets the start level.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:POWer:STARt on page 683

## Stop Level - Level Sweep

Sets the stop level.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:POWer:STOP on page 684

# **Current Level - Level Sweep**

Displays the current level.

If "Step" is set, the level for the next level step of the sweep is entered here.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:POWer:MANual on page 679

# Shape - RF Level Sweep

Selects the cycle mode for a sweep sequence (shape).

"Sawtooth" One sweep runs from the start level to the stop level. The subsequent

sweep starts at the start level again, i.e. the shape of sweep sequence

resembles a sawtooth.

"Triangle" One sweep runs from start to stop level and back, i.e. the shape of the

sweep resembles a triangle. Each subsequent sweep starts at the start

level again.

#### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:SWEep:POWer:SHAPe on page 700
```

#### Step - Level Sweep

Sets the step width for the individual sweep steps. This entry is effective for all sweep modes.

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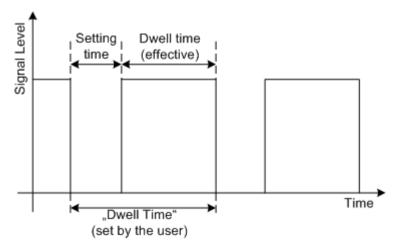
With the level sweep, the logarithmic step width is a constant fraction of the current level. This fraction is added to the current level. The logarithmic step width is entered in dB.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:SWEep:POWer:STEP[:LOGarithmic] on page 701

#### **Dwell Time - Level Sweep**

Enters the dwell time and determines the duration of the individual sweep steps.



The "Dwell Time" set by the user is used as the step time of the sweep. The effective net dwell time is shorter, reduced by the setting time. This setting time may be greater than the time specified in the data sheet.

#### Note:

It is recommended to switch off the GUI update for optimum sweep performance especially with short dwell times (see chapter 5.2.3.5, "Gui Update", on page 115).

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:SWEep:POWer:DWELl on page 698

# **Trigger Input Slope**

Sets the polarity of the active slope of an applied instrument trigger.

This setting affects the INST TRIG input (BNC connector at the rear of the instrument).

"Positive" The rising edge of the trigger signal is active.

"Negative" The falling edge of the trigger signal is active.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce]:INPut:TRIGger:SLOPe on page 636

# 5.4.14.4 LF Frequency Sweep



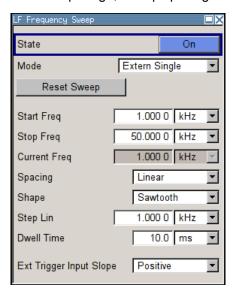
The "LF Frequency Sweep" dialog is used to activate and configure a sweep for the LF frequency.

To open the "LF Frequency Sweep" menu, select "RF/A Mod" > "Configure" > "LF Frequency Sweep" or use the MENU key under "RF/A Mod".

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In the top section, the LF Sweep mode is activated and the sweep mode is selected. The buttons are used to reset the LF sweep (all sweep modes) or to execute the LF sweep ("Single" mode).

The sweep range, sweep spacing and dwell time are set in the bottom of the section.



#### State - LF Sweep

Activates LF Sweep mode.

**Note:** Activating the LF frequency sweep automatically deactivates the list mode, RF level sweep and RF frequency sweep.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce]:LFOutput:FREQuency:MODE on page 649

# Mode - LF Sweep

Selects the Sweep instrument operating mode and Sweep mode.

"Auto"

Sets are automatic repeated sweep cycle. If a different sweep mode was activated prior to the "Auto" mode, the cycle continues from the current sweep setting.

The "Reset Sweep" button resets the sweep to the start frequency.

#### Example:

SOUR: LFO: SWE: FREQ: MODE AUTO

TRIGO:SWE:SOUR AUTO
SOUR:LFO:FREQ:MODE SWE

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"Single"

Sets a single sweep cycle. The sweep is triggered by the "Execute Single Sweep" button.

If a different sweep mode was activated prior to the "Single" mode, the current sweep is stopped. The "Single" sweep always starts at the start frequency.

The "Reset Sweep" button resets the sweep to the start frequency.

## Example:

SOUR: LFO: SWE: FREQ: MODE AUTO

TRIGO:SWE:SOUR SING
SOUR:LFO:FREQ:MODE SWE
SOUR:LFO:SWE:FREQ:EXEC

"Step"

Sets a step-by-step sweep cycle. Each sweep step is triggered by a variation of the value in the "Current Freq" entry window.

If this mode is activated, the cursor moves to the value displayed for "Current Freq". If a different sweep mode was activated prior to the "Step" mode, the current sweep is stopped. The "Step" sweep starts at the current LF frequency.

The "Reset Sweep" button resets the sweep to the start frequency.

#### Example:

SOUR:LFO:SWE:FREQ:MODE MAN

SOUR:LFO:FREQ:MODE SWE

SOUR:LFO:SWE:FREQ:SPAC LIN

SOUR:LFO:SWE:FREQ:STEP:LIN 1E34

SOUR:LFO:FREQ:MAN 12 kHz

#### The value entered with command

SOUR: LFO: SWE: FREQ: STEP: LIN | LOG sets the step width.

The value entered with command SOUR: LFO: FREQ: MAN has no effect, the command only sets the next sweep step. In remote control only a step-by-step sweep from start to stop frequency is possible

"Extern Single"

Sets a single sweep cycle. The sweep is triggered by an external trigger signal.

If a different sweep mode was activated prior to the "Extern Single" mode, the current sweep is stopped. The "Extern Single" sweep always starts at the start frequency.

The external trigger signal is input at the BNC connector INST TRIG. The "Reset Sweep" button resets the sweep to the start frequency.

#### **Example:**

SOUR: LFO: SWE: FREQ: MODE AUTO

TRIGO:SWE:SOUR EXT

SOUR: LFO: FREQ: MODE SWE (External trigger)

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#### "Extern Step"

Sets a step-by-step sweep cycle. Each sweep step is triggered by an external trigger signal (trigger source as described under "Extern Single"). The step width corresponds to the step width set for the rotary knob.

If a different sweep mode was activated prior to the "Extern Step" mode, the current sweep is stopped. The "Extern Step" sweep always starts at the LF start frequency.

The "Reset Sweep" button resets the sweep to the start frequency.

#### Example:

SOUR:LFO:SWE:FREQ:MODE AUTO

TRIGO:SWE:SOUR EXT

SOUR: LFO: FREQ: MODE SWE (External trigger)

# "Extern Start/ Stop"

Sets an automatically repeated sweep cycle that is started, stopped and restartet by subsequent external trigger events.

The first external trigger signal starts the sweep (Start).

The next external trigger signal stops the sweep at the current frequency (Stop).

The third external trigger signal starts the sweep at the start frequency (Start).

If a different sweep mode was activated prior to the "Extern Start/ Stop" mode, the current sweep is stopped and the "Extern Start/Stop" sweep starts at the start frequency when triggered.

The "Reset" button resets the sweep to the start frequency.

The external trigger signal is input at the BNC connector INST TRIG.

# Example:

SOUR: LFO: SWE: FREQ: MODE AUTO

TRIGO:SWE:SOUR EAUT

SOUR: LFO: FREQ: MODE SWE (External trigger)

#### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce]:LFOutput:SWEep[:FREQuency]:MODE on page 652
:TRIGger<hw>[:SWEep]:SOURce on page 724
[:SOURce]:LFOutput:FREQuency:MODE on page 649
```

# **Execute Single Sweep - LF Sweep**

Triggers the sweep manually. A manual sweep can only be triggered if "Mode Single" is selected.

# SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce]:LFOutput:SWEep[:FREQuency]:EXECute on page 651
```

#### Reset Sweep - LF Sweep

Resets the sweep. The start frequency is set and the next sweep starts from there.

## SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:SWEep:RESet[:ALL] on page 701
```

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#### Start Freq - LF Sweep

Sets the start frequency.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce]:LFOutput:FREQuency:STARt on page 650

#### Stop Freq - LF Sweep

Sets the stop frequency.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce]:LFOutput:FREQuency:STOP on page 651

## **Current Freq - LF Sweep**

Displays the current frequency.

If "Step" is set, the frequency for the next frequency step of the sweep is entered here.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce]:LFOutput:FREQuency:MANual on page 649

# Spacing - LF Sweep

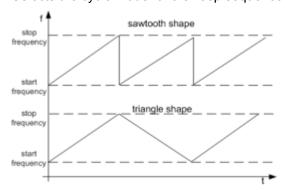
Selects linear or logarithmic sweep spacing.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce]:LFOutput:SWEep[:FREQuency]:SPACing on page 653

# **Shape - LF Frequency Sweep**

Selects the cycle mode for a sweep sequence (shape)



"Sawtooth" One sweep runs from start to stop frequency. Each subsequent sweep

starts at the start frequency, i.e. the shape of the sweep sequence

resembles a sawtooth.

"Triangle" One sweep runs from start to stop frequency and back, i.e. the shape

of the sweep resembles a triangle. Each subsequent sweep starts at

the start frequency.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce]:LFOutput:SWEep[:FREQuency]:SHAPe on page 653

## Step Lin/Log - LF Sweep

Sets the step width for the individual sweep steps. This entry is effective for all sweep modes.

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"Step Lin" or "Step Log" is displayed depending on whether "Spacing Lin" or "Log" is selected.

"Step Lin" With the linear sweep, the step width is a fixed frequency value which

is added to the current frequency. The linear step width is entered in

Hz.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce]:LFOutput:SWEep[:FREQuency]:STEP[:LINear] on page 654

"Step Log"

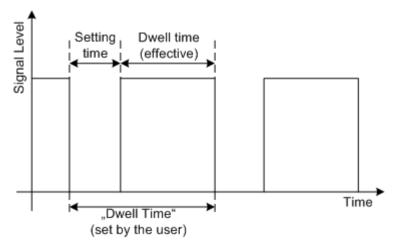
With the logarithmic sweep, the step width is a constant fraction of the current frequency. This fraction is added to the current frequency. The logarithmic step width is entered in %.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce]:LFOutput:SWEep[:FREQuency]:STEP:LOGarithmic on page 654

#### **Dwell Time - LF Sweep**

Sets the dwell time. The dwell time determines the duration of the individual sweep steps.



The "Dwell Time" set by the user is used as the step time of the sweep. The effective net dwell time is shorter, reduced by the setting time. This setting time may be greater than the time specified in the data sheet.

#### Note:

It is recommended to switch off the GUI update for optimum sweep performance especially with short dwell times (see chapter 5.2.3.5, "Gui Update", on page 115).

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce]:LFOutput:SWEep[:FREQuency]:DWELl on page 651

# **Trigger Input Slope**

Sets the polarity of the active slope of an applied instrument trigger.

This setting affects the INST TRIG input (BNC connector at the rear of the instrument).

"Positive" The rising edge of the trigger signal is active.

"Negative" The falling edge of the trigger signal is active.

# SCPI command:

[:SOURce]:INPut:TRIGger:SLOPe on page 636

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#### 5.4.15 List Mode

Similar to a sweep, a series of previously defined frequency and level points is processed in List mode. In contrast to a sweep, however, a list with freely selectable value pairs (frequency and level) can be created. The value range for frequency and level covers the entire configurable value range of the instrument.



List mode and sweeps can not be activated simultaneously, they deactivate each other.

The lists can be created in the "List Editor". Each list is stored in its own file with the predefined file extension \*.lsw. The name of the list file can be freely selected. The files are loaded from the "Lists..." file manager. Externally created tables with pairs of frequency and level values can be converted into List files using the import function. The external files must have the file extension \*.txt or \*.csv. These file formats are provided e.g. by the Microsoft®Excel program. The separators for table columns and for decimal floating-point numerals can be set. In addition, internally created List data can be exported into ASCII files using the export function.

The necessary hardware settings are calculated the first time a list is processed. With long dwell times, this calculation can be performed while the list is being processed; the entered dwell times are observed. With very short dwell times, calculation of the hardware settings increases the dwell time for the initial processing cycle; the entered value is only observed from the second processing cycle onwards. In this case a message appears to inform the user that there is a deviation between the current and set dwell times. No further calculations are required after the first run through a list. The current dwell times will definitely no longer deviate from the set dwell times.

The list is processed from the beginning to the end of the list (modes "Auto", ("External") "Single", ("External") "Step").

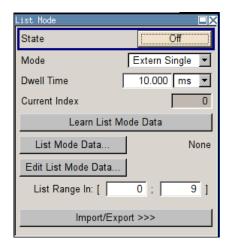
#### 5.4.15.1 List Mode Dialog



To open the "List Mode" menu, select "RF/A Mod > Configure > List Mode" or use the MENU key under "RF/A Mod".

The menu is used to activate/deactivate the operating mode List, to create, select and activate the lists, and to select the trigger mode and the dwell time.

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#### **General Settings**

#### State - List Mode

Activates/deactivates the List mode. The currently selected list is processed.

In case of a new or modified list, the necessary hardware settings are automatically determined on activation of the list mode. The data determined in this way is stored along with the list and is available whenever the list is used again.

This means that when activating the list mode, the system checks whether any hardware settings are present. If so, the list is started immediately, but if not they are automatically determined (the list is learnt).

A "Learn List Mode Data" button is available for deliberately activating list learning.

**Note:** Activating the list mode automatically deactivates all sweeps. During list mode the frequency and level indications do not display the currently set values.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:FREQuency:MODE on page 630

#### **Mode - List Mode**

Selects the cycle mode of the List mode.

"Auto"

Cycle from the beginning to the end of the list with automatic restart at the beginning. If a different mode was activated prior to the Auto mode, the cycle continues from the beginning of the list. The duration of a list step is determined by the set dwell time.

Button "Reset" restarts the list at the starting point.

"Single"

Single cycle from the beginning to the end of the list. If "Single" is selected, the cycle is not started immediately. The "Execute Single" button appears under the "Mode" line. The cycle is started with this button. The duration of a list step is determined by the set dwell time. Button "Reset" restarts the list at the starting point.



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"Step"

Manual, step-by-step processing of the list. Activating "Step" stops the current list and the cursor moves to the value displayed for "Current Index". It is now possible to scroll up and down in the list in discrete steps by varying the index. The duration of a list step is determined by the time between two index entries.

Button "Reset" restarts the list at the starting point.



"Extern Single"

Single cycle from the beginning to the end of the list as with "Single",

but started by an external trigger.

The external trigger signal is input at the BNC connector INST TRIG.

Button "Reset" restarts the list at the starting point.

"Extern Step"

Step-by-step cycle using the external trigger signal. Each trigger event starts a single step. The duration of a list step is determined by the time between two trigger events.

The external trigger signal is input at the BNC connector INST TRIG.

Button "Reset" restarts the list at the starting point.

#### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:LIST:MODE on page 666
[:SOURce<hw>]:LIST:TRIGger:SOURce on page 668
```

## **Execute Single - List Mode**

Triggers the list manually. This button is available only if mode "Single" is selected.

# SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:LIST:TRIGger:EXECute on page 668
```

# **Reset - List Mode**

Resets the list to the starting point.

## SCPI command:

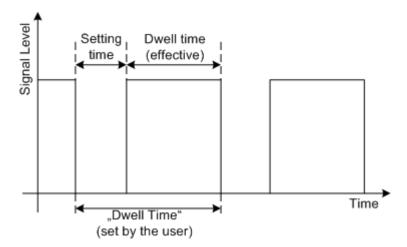
```
[:SOURce<hw>]:LIST:RESet on page 667
```

# **Dwell Time - List Mode**

Enters the dwell time. The dwell time determines the duration of a list step in list operating modes "Auto", "Single" and "Extern Single". In these modes a complete list is processed either once or continuously.

In list operating modes "Step" and "Extern Step", the set dwell time does not affect signal generation. In this case, the duration of a list step is determined by the time between two (internal or external) trigger events.

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The "Dwell Time" set by the user is used as the step time of the list mode. The effective net dwell time is shorter, reduced by the setting time. This setting time may be greater than the time specified in the data sheet.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:LIST:DWELl on page 663

#### **Current Index - List Mode**

Sets the list index in "Step" mode.

## SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:LIST:INDex on page 664

# Learn List Mode Data... - List Mode

Starts the determination of the hardware setting for the selected list. The data determined in this way is stored along with the list.

It may be necessary to deliberately activate list learning in the event of greatly altered environmental conditions that require new hardware settings.

If this is not done, a previously learned hardware setting will continue to be used when list mode is switched on ("State = On"). If no setting is available, e.g. when the list is used for the first time, learning is automatically activated.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:LIST:LEARn on page 666

## List Mode Data... - List Mode

Calls the "File Select" menu for selecting and creating a list or the "File Manager".



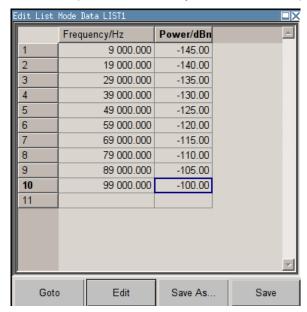
# SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:LIST:SELect on page 668
[:SOURce<hw>]:LIST:DELete on page 658
[:SOURce<hw>]:LIST:DELete:ALL on page 658
```

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#### Edit List Mode Data... - List Mode

Calls the editor for editing the selected list. A list consists of any number of frequency/ level value pairs. The currently selected list is displayed.



"Frequency / Enter the frequency of the frequency/power value pair. Hz"

# SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:LIST:FREQuency on page 663

"Power /dBm" Enter the level of the frequency/power value pair.

# SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:LIST:POWer on page 667

"Goto" Selects row for editing.



If "Goto row" is selected, a window opens for entering the requested row.



"Edit" Calls a selection of possible actions described below.



"Insert Row" Inserts a new row before the marked row.

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"Insert Range" Inserts new rows before the marked row. The number of rows to be inserted can be defined in an entry window.



"Fill...." Opens a sub menu for defining a set of list values to be automatically

entered in the List Mode table (see chapter 5.4.15.2, "Filling the List

Mode Data automatically", on page 234).

"Delete Row" Deletes the marked row.

"Delete Allows to delete any number of rows starting with the marked row. The Range..." number of rows to be deleted can be defined in an entry window.



"Save as" Open the file menu to save the list under a new name.

Each list is saved to the instrument's hard disk as a separate file with the file prefix  $\star$ .1sw. The file name and the directory to which the file

is saved are user-selectable.

"Save" The list is saved under its current name.

#### List Range In - List Mode

Defines an index range in the current list by setting the start and stop index. Only the values in the selected index range are processed in List mode, all other list entries are ignored.

# SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:LIST:INDex:STARt on page 665
[:SOURce<hw>]:LIST:INDex:STOP on page 665
```

## **Trigger Input Slope**

Sets the polarity of the active slope of an applied instrument trigger.

This setting affects the INST TRIG input (BNC connector at the rear of the instrument).

"Positive" The rising edge of the trigger signal is active.

"Negative" The falling edge of the trigger signal is active.

#### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce]:INPut:TRIGger:SLOPe on page 636
```

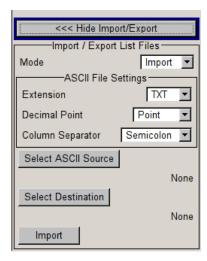
#### Import/Export

Lists can be imported from externally created files or exported into text or CSV-files. The import/export settings are available after clicking the "Import/Export" button.

# Import/Export - List Mode

Expands the menu with the area for import and export of list mode files.

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Externally edited Excel tables with frequency/level pairs can be imported as text or CSV-files and used for list mode.

On the other hand, internally created list mode lists can be exported as text or CSV-files.

#### **Mode - List Mode**

Selects if list mode lists should be imported or exported. The settings offered below depend on the selected mode.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:LIST:DEXChange:MODE on page 662

#### **Extension - List Mode**

Selects the file extension of the ASCII file to be imported or exported. Selection TXT (text file) or CSV (Excel file) is available.

# SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:LIST:DEXChange:AFILe:EXTension on page 659

## **Decimal Point - List Mode**

Selects the decimal separator used in the ASCII data between '.' (decimal point) and ',' (comma) with floating-point numerals.

# SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:LIST:DEXChange:AFILe:SEParator:DECimal on page 661

# Column Separator- List Mode

Selects the separator between the frequency and level column of the ASCII table.

# SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:LIST:DEXChange:AFILe:SEParator:COLumn on page 660

## Select ASCII Source / Destination - List Mode

Calls the "File Manager" for selecting the ASCII file to be imported into a list mode list (source) or the ASCII file the list mode list is exported (destination) in.

# SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:LIST:DEXChange:AFILe:SELect on page 660

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#### Select Destination / Source - List Mode

Calls the "File Manager" for selecting the list mode list to be exported (source) into an ASCII file or the destination for the ASCII file to be imported (destination) in.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:LIST:DEXChange:SELect on page 662

#### Import / Export - List Mode

Starts the export or import of the selected file.

When import is selected, the ASCII file is imported as list mode list.

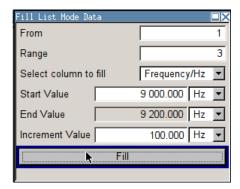
When export is selected, the list mode list is exported into the selected ASCII file.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:LIST:DEXChange:EXECute on page 661

## 5.4.15.2 Filling the List Mode Data automatically

The "Fill List Mode Data" menu enables you to automatically set the values in the List Mode table.



The start line and the number of rows to be filled are defined under "From" and "Range".

The column to be filled is selected under "Select column to fill". Depending on the selection here, the default for start, end, and increment value are set. As the settings are interdependent, a change of one parameter may result in the automatic change of one or more of the other parameters.

The filling of the column with the selected value settings is started with button "Fill".



The list entries are only computed when the "Fill" button is pressed.

## **From**

Sets the start value of the index range.

SCPI command:

n.a.

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## Range

Sets the range for filling the table.

SCPI command:

n.a.

## Select column to fill

Selects either the frequency or the level column to be filled with the value defined below.

SCPI command:

n.a.

#### Start value

Sets the start value for the frequency or the level entries.

SCPI command:

n.a.

# **End value**

Sets the end value for the frequency or the level entries.

SCPI command:

n.a.

# Increment value

Sets the increment for the frequency or the level entries.

SCPI command:

n.a.

#### Fill

Fills the selected column in the set range with values, starting with the start value and using the set increment.

SCPI command:

n.a.

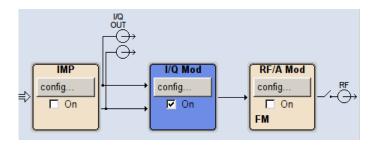
# 5.5 I/Q Modulation - I/Q Mod Block

The R&S Signal Generator offers I/Q modulation with:

- external analog I/Q signals,
- external digital signals,
- internal digital signals.

Either the external analog signal or the externally or internally generated baseband signal is fed into the I/Q modulator ("I/Q Mod" function block).

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I/Q modulation with an external analog I/Q signal is possible for the basic unit (R&S SMBV with frequency option R&S SMBV-B10x) without additional equipment options.

Baseband signals to be generated by an arbitrary waveform generator the instrument can be equipped with an ARB module (option R&S SMBV-B50/-B51).

The basic equipment configuration for generating an internal baseband signal includes the option R&S SMBV-B10 (Baseband Generator and ARB Module).

The external signal is input via the I and Q connector and transferred directly to the I/Q modulator (I/Q Mod function block). Externally generated realtime baseband signals can be fed into the digital signal path via the digital interface (digital signals) (Option R&S SMBV-K18, Baseband Input). The external digital signal is configured in the "BB In/Out" function block (see chapter 5.9, "External Baseband Signal - Baseband Input", on page 384).

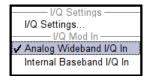
The internally generated baseband signal is configured in the Baseband function block (see chapter 5.8, "Baseband Signal - Baseband Block", on page 271). Before the signal is fed into the I/Q modulator, noise can be added and/or the signal can be impaired. Impairment at this point along the signal flow is offered to allow a signal to be output at the I/Q-OUT outputs (a signal which, for example, compensates signal distortion in a connected test object (DUT)).

Impairment is integrated in the basic unit. The generation of noise requires the option R&S SMBV-K62 (AWGN).

Impairments can also be set in the I/Q Mod menu to allow an externally applied analog I/Q signal to be impaired. An internal baseband signal can thus be impaired both digital (in the Impairment block in the Impairment menu) and analog in the I/Q modulator. If impairments are set in both menus, they superimpose each other in the signal.

# 5.5.1 I/Q Modulator

To select the input signal of the I/Q modulator and to open the "I/Q Settings" menu, select "I/Q Mod > Configure".



The "I/Q Settings" menu containing the modulation settings is opened in the top section (see chapter 5.5, "I/Q Modulation - I/Q Mod Block", on page 235).

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Use the "I/Q Mod In" section to select the input signal:

 select "Analog Wideband I/Q In", if the external analog signal is fed into the I/Q modulator

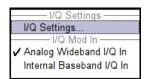
The maximum available RF bandwidth is described in the instruments specifications (see data sheet).

select "Internal Baseband I/Q In", if the internally generated baseband signal is used.
 The RF bandwidth is reduced (see data sheet).

Alternatively, the input signal can be selected in the "I/Q Settings" menu (see chapter 5.5, "I/Q Modulation - I/Q Mod Block", on page 235).

# 5.5.2 I/Q Settings

To open the menu for setting the I/Q modulation parameters, select "I/Q Mod > Configure > I/Q Settings" or use the MENU key.





System error correction of the I/Q modulator permits precise and repeatable measurements. The correction routine should be called in the case of temperature fluctuations of several degrees. To call the routine, press the SETUP key and select "System > Internal Adjustment" and execute the desired adjustment procedure.

It is not possible to activate an I/Q modulation with an external analog signal ("Analog Wideband I/Q In") simultaneously with:

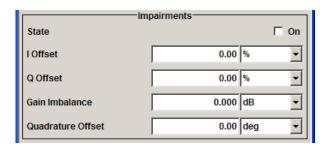
- AM,
- BB-AM,
- digital modulation,
- digital standards,
- noise,
- arbitrary waveform generation and
- multi carrier CW

I/Q modulation is activated and the source entered in the top section of the menu.



I/Q impairment for specific impairment of the I/Q modulation is set in the "Impairments" section.

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I/Q control can be swapped in the lower section of the menu and the optimized settings for wideband modulation signals can be activated.



The bottom section of the menu differs depending on the selected input signal ("Analog Wideband I/Q Input" or "Internal Baseband").

The crest factor is input for the external signal.



#### 5.5.2.1 General I/Q Mod Settings

# IQ Source - I/Q Mod

Selects the input signal for the I/Q modulator.

"Analog Wideband I/Q In" Selects an external analog signal as the input signal. The signal must be applied at the inputs I and Q.

"Internal Baseband I/Q In" Selects the internal baseband signal as the input signal. This setting requires the additional equipment options for generating the various baseband signals.

# SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:IQ:SOURce on page 639

### State - I/Q Mod

Activates/deactivates I/Q modulation.

If "Analog Wideband I/Q In" is selected, the I/Q modulator is also deactivated and activated.

If "Internal Baseband I/Q In" is selected, the I/Q modulator is always activated automatically as soon as signal generation is activated in the "Baseband" block. It can, however, be deactivated later, e.g. if only the baseband signal which is output at the I/Q outputs is relevant.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:IQ:STATe on page 639

I/Q Modulation - I/Q Mod Block

#### 5.5.2.2 Impairments

I/Q impairment for specific impairment of the I/Q modulation is set in the "Impairments" section.

# State - Impairments I/Q Mod

Activates/deactivates I/Q impairment.

If activated, the settings for leakage, I/Q imbalance and quadrature offset become effective.

Whether or not I/Q impairment is activated is indicated in the function block.

**Note:** It is advisable to switch automatic level control to the Sample&Hold mode, as otherwise level errors may occur (see chapter 5.4.9, "Automatic Level Control - ALC", on page 178).

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:IQ:IMPairment[:STATe] on page 639

#### Offset - I/Q Mod

Sets the carrier offset (in percent) of the amplitudes (scaled to the peak envelope power (PEP) for the I and/or Q signal component.

An ideal I/Q modulator suppresses the carrier offset completely (offset = 0 percent). If an offset value is entered for a component, a carrier offset with fixed amplitude is added to the signal. In the diagram, all I values or Q values are offset by a fixed amplitude value depending on the entered percentage.

I/Q Modulation - I/Q Mod Block

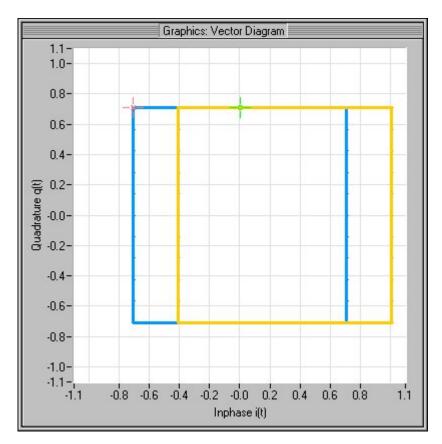


Fig. 5-2: Effect of offset for the I component

I/Q Modulation - I/Q Mod Block

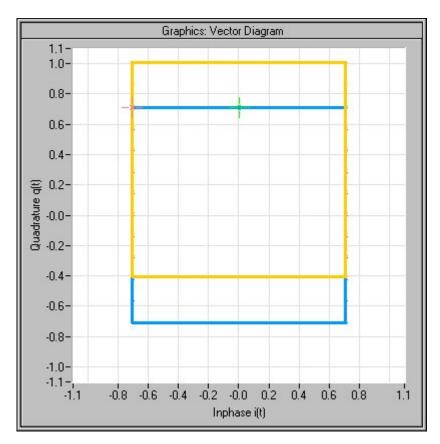


Fig. 5-3: Effect of offset for the Q component

I/Q Modulation - I/Q Mod Block

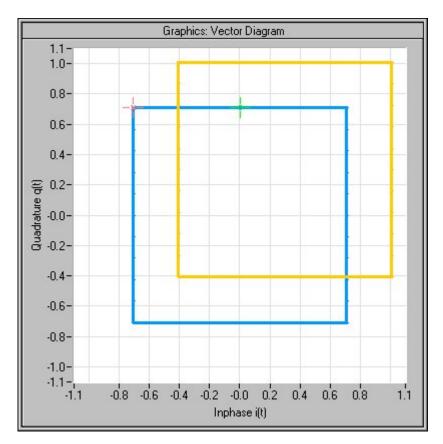


Fig. 5-4: Effect of an identical offset for both signal components

# SCPI command:

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[:SOURce<hw>]:IQ:IMPairment:LEAKage:I on page 638 [:SOURce<hw>]:IQ:IMPairment:LEAKage:Q on page 638
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### Gain Imbalance - I/Q Mod

Sets the imbalance of the I and Q vector.

The entry is made in dB (default) or %, where 1 dB offset is roughly 12 % according to the following:

Imbalance [dB] = 20log ( | GainQ | / | GainI |)

An ideal I/Q modulator amplifies the I and Q signal path by exactly the same degree. The imbalance corresponds to the difference in amplification of the I and Q channel and therefore to the difference in amplitude of the signal components. In the vector diagram, the length of the I vector changes relative to the length of the Q vector.

Positive values mean that the Q vector is amplified more than the I vector by the corresponding percentage.

I/Q Modulation - I/Q Mod Block

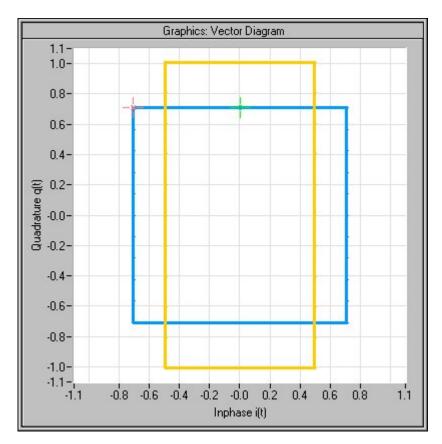


Fig. 5-5: Effect of a positive gain imbalance

Negative values mean that the I vector is amplified more than the Q vector by the corresponding percentage:

I/Q Modulation - I/Q Mod Block

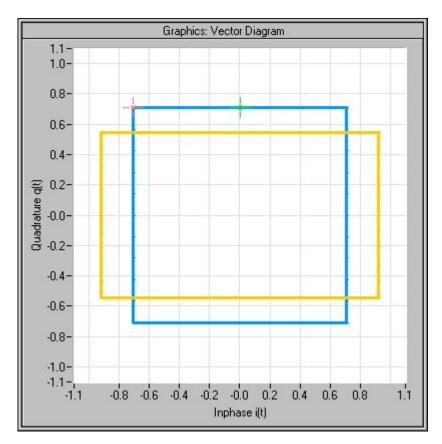


Fig. 5-6: Effect of a negative gain imbalance

# SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:IQ:IMPairment:IQRatio[:MAGNitude] on page 638

# Quadrature Offset - I/Q Mod

Sets the quadrature offset.

An ideal I/Q modulator sets the phase angle to exactly 90 degrees. With a quadrature offset, the phase angle between the I and Q vector deviates from the ideal 90 degrees, the amplitudes of both components are of the same size. In the vector diagram, the quadrature offset causes the coordinate system to shift.

A positive quadrature offset means a phase angle greater than 90 degrees:

I/Q Modulation - I/Q Mod Block

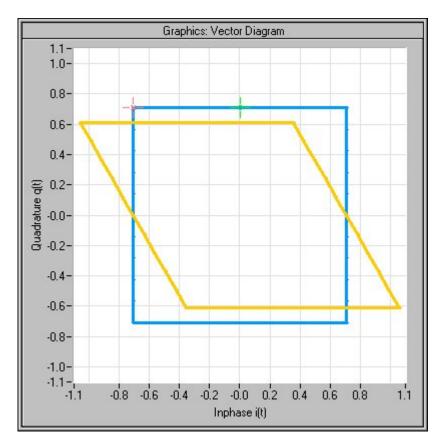


Fig. 5-7: Effect of a positive quadrature offset

A negative quadrature offset means a phase angle less than 90 degrees:

I/Q Modulation - I/Q Mod Block

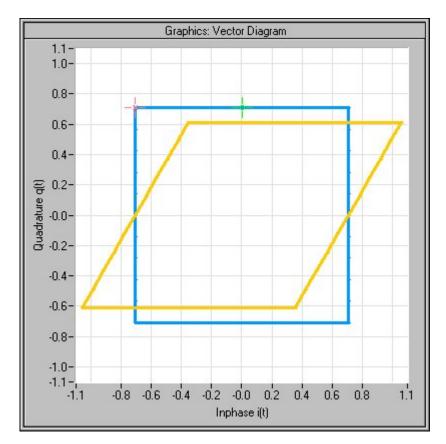


Fig. 5-8: Effect of a negative quadrature offset

# SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:IQ:IMPairment:QUADrature:[ANGLe] on page 638

#### 5.5.2.3 I/Q Swap and I/Q Wideband

The I/Q control can be swapped and the optimized setting for wideband signals can be selected in the middle section of the menu.

#### I/Q-Swap - I/Q Mod

Selects normal or swapped I/Q control for an external analog signal. The modulation sidebands are inverted by swapping the I and Q signals.

This parameter enables I/Q modulation to be performed on signals according to IS2000 (cdma2000 standard) and the majority of all other standards. As a result, an I/Q demodulator defined according to IS2000 can also be used for demodulating the generated signals.

The I/Q modulator defined in the IS2000 standard differs from the definition in the R&S Signal Generator. The definition on which the R&S Signal Generator is based is used by virtually all digital communication standards (except IS95 and IS2000).

In the final step, the filtered I/Q signal is modulated to the desired RF in a different way in the I/Q modulator:

I/Q Modulation - I/Q Mod Block

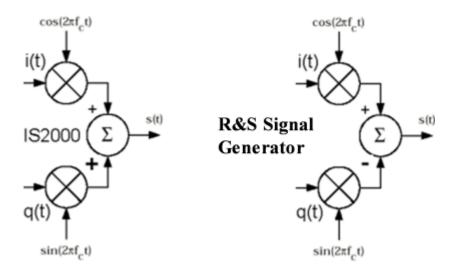


Fig. 5-9: Definition of I/Q modulator in IS2000 and R&S Signal Generator f

According to IS2000, the RF signal s(t) is derived from the baseband I/Q signal as follows:  $s(t)=i(t)\cos(2pif_ct)+q(t)\sin(2pif_ct)$ 

The instrument family is based on the following definition:

 $s(t)=i(t)\cos(2pif_ct)-q(t)\sin(2pif_ct)$ 

"I/Q Swap" must now be set to "On" so that an I/Q modulator defined according to IS2000 can cope with the RF signal generated by the R&S Signal Generator.

"Off" I/Q control is normal.

"On" The I and Q signals are swapped.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:IQ:SWAP[:STATe] on page 640

#### I/Q-Wideband - I/Q Mod

Optimized setting for wideband modulation signals (>5 MHz). Optimized setting for wideband modulation signals (>5 MHz).

The modulation frequency response is decreased at the expense of poorer harmonic suppression. This is achieved by shifting the switching frequencies of the lowpass filters in the output section.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:IQ:WBSTate on page 640

#### 5.5.2.4 Analog Wideband I/Q Input

In the bottom section of the menu the crest factor is input for the external signal ("Analog Wideband I/Q Input").

#### Crest Factor - I/Q Mod

(Analog Wideband I/Q Input only)

Sets the crest factor of the external analog signal.

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The crest factor gives the difference in level between the peak envelope power (PEP) and average power value (RMS) in dB.

This value is necessary to allow the correct output power to be generated at the RF output. When the set output power is generated, the R&S Signal Generator uses this value to compensate the average power which is lower compared to the peak power.

The maximum input voltage at the I/Q input is equated to the peak power and is used as the "reference" for setting the level of the output signal. Since the signal does not usually supply the peak power at a constant level and instead supplies a lower average power, the crest factor specifies how many dB have to be added internally so that the correct output power is achieved.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:IQ:CREStfactor on page 637

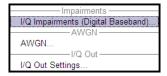
# 5.6 Impairment of Digital I/Q Signal and Noise Generator - AWGN/IMP Block

The R&S SMBV allows the digital I/Q signal to be impaired before it is passed on to the I/Q modulator, and also noise to be added to the signal. The noise generator can also be used to generate a pure noise signal.

These settings are available in the block diagram in the "AWGN/IMP" function block as well as in the menu with the same name which is opened using the MENU key.



The equipment options for the basic unit (R&S Signal Generator with frequency option R&S SMBV-B10x) include the "Impairments" functionality and the option for noise generation R&S SMBV-K62 (Additive White Gaussian Noise) for "AWGN".



Selecting the menu item "I/Q Impairments (Digital Baseband)..." opens the I/Q impairment settings dialog. This dialog covers the settings for I/Q impairment, like carrier leakage, imbalance and quadrature offset.

To access the AWGN settings, select "AWGN...". This dialog contains the settings of the RFI signal generator, noise level configuration and CW interfering parameters.

Selecting the menu item "I/Q Out Settings" opens a dialog with the parameters for the I/Q output signal.

The single ended or differential output is configured in the "I/Q Out Settings" dialog.

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# 5.6.1 Impairments

Impairment of the digital I/Q signal can be used, for example, to compensate the distortion of a test object or to check the effect of a disturbed signal on a test object. For this purpose, the I/Q signal can be output at the I/Q OUT outputs. On the other hand, the I/Q impairments used internally for compensating signal distortion can be deactivated by the I/Q modulator in order to, for example, test its own baseband components.



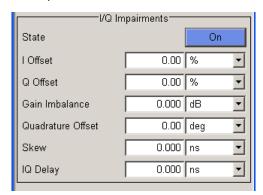
In addition to impairment of the digital I/Q signal, the R&S SMBV also allows impairment of the analog signal to be set in the I/Q modulator. The relevant settings are made in the I/Q Mod function block (see chapter 5.5, "I/Q Modulation - I/Q Mod Block", on page 235).

#### 5.6.1.1 Impairment Settings Menu

To access the "Impairment Settings" menu for setting the digital I/Q impairments, select "AWGN/IMP > Configure > I/Q Impairements" or use the MENU key under "AWGN/IMP".



I/Q impairment is activated and set in the "I/Q Impairments" section.



"Internal compensation" of signal distortions of the RF output can be activated / deactivated.



#### I/Q Impairments

In the "I/Q Impairments" section the parameters for carrier leakage, imbalance and quadrature offset can be set and I/Q impairment is activated.

# State - Digital Impairments

Activates/deactivates digital I/Q impairment.

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When activated, the settings for carrier leakage, I/Q imbalance and quadrature offset become effective.

Internal predistortion for compensating the I/Q modulator is not influenced by this setting. SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:IMPairment:STATe on page 589

# I/Q Offset - Digital Impairments

Sets the carrier leakage (in percent) of the amplitudes (scaled to the peak envelope power (PEP)) for the I and/or Q signal component.

An ideal I/Q modulator suppresses the carrier leakage completely (offset = 0 percent). If an offset is entered for a component, a carrier leakage with fixed amplitude is added to the signal. In the diagram, all I values or Q values are offset by a fixed amplitude value depending on the entered percentage.

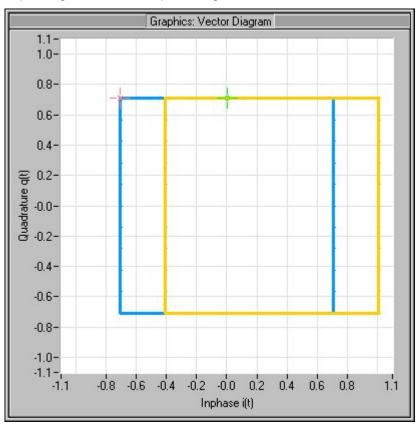


Fig. 5-10: Effect of offset for the I component

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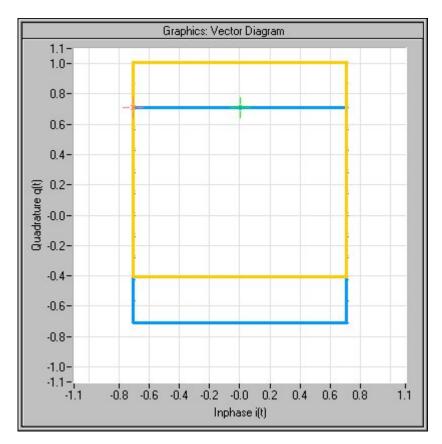


Fig. 5-11: Effect of offset for the Q component

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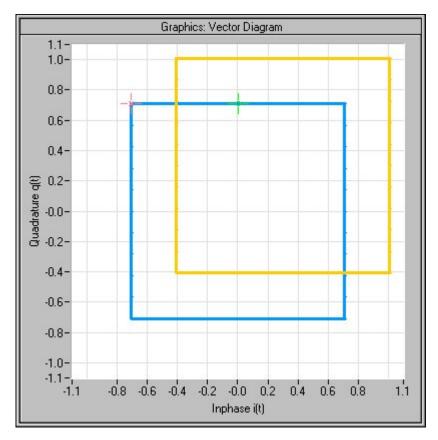


Fig. 5-12: Effect of an identical offset for both signal components

# SCPI command:

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[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:IMPairment:LEAKage:I on page 587
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:IMPairment:LEAKage:Q on page 587
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#### **Gain Imbalance - Digital Impairments**

Sets the imbalance of the I and Q vector.

The entry is made in dB (default) or %, where 1 dB offset is roughly 12 % according to the following:

Imbalance [dB] = 20log ( | GainQ | / | GainI |)

An ideal I/Q modulator amplifies the I and Q signal path by exactly the same degree. The imbalance corresponds to the difference in amplification of the I and Q channel and therefore to the difference in amplitude of the signal components. In the vector diagram, the length of the I vector changes relative to the length of the Q vector.

Positive values mean that the Q vector is amplified more than the I vector by the corresponding percentage.

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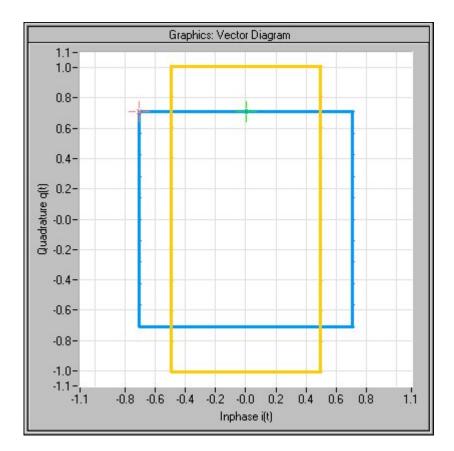


Fig. 5-13: Effect of a positive gain imbalance

Negative values mean that the I vector is amplified more than the Q vector by the corresponding percentage:

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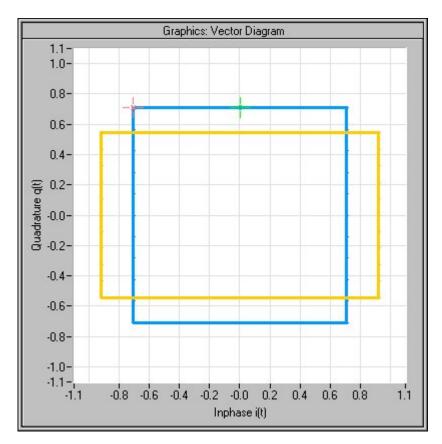


Fig. 5-14: Effect of a negative gain imbalance

# SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:IMPairment:IQRatio on page 587

# **Quadrature Offset - Digital Impairments**

Sets the quadrature offset.

An ideal I/Q modulator sets the phase angle to exactly 90 degrees. With a quadrature offset, the phase angle between the I and Q vector deviates from the ideal 90 degrees, the amplitudes of both components are of the same size. In the vector diagram, the quadrature offset causes the coordinate system to shift.

A positive quadrature offset means a phase angle greater than 90 degrees:

Impairment of Digital I/Q Signal and Noise Generator - AWGN/IMP Block

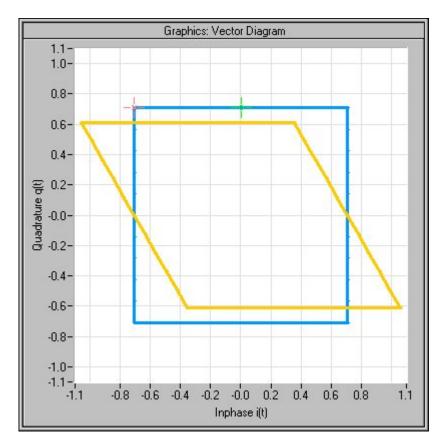


Fig. 5-15: Effect of a positive quadrature offset

A negative quadrature offset means a phase angle less than 90 degrees:

Impairment of Digital I/Q Signal and Noise Generator - AWGN/IMP Block

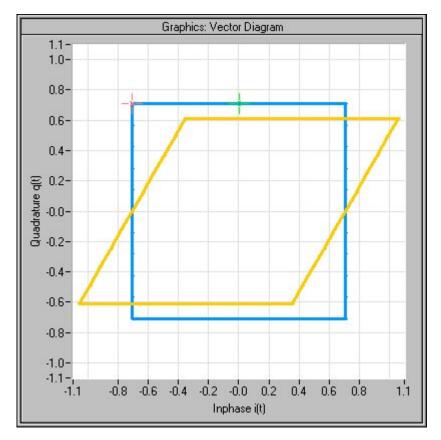


Fig. 5-16: Effect of a negative quadrature offset

# SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:IMPairment:QUADrature[:ANGLe] on page 588

# I/Q Skew - Digital Impairments

Sets the time offset between the I and Q vectors.

In an I/Q modulator without I/Q skew, the I and Q vectors are aligned to the marker. With an I/Q skew, both vectors are shifted relative to the marker so that the offset of each of the vectors to the marker will be the half of the I/Q skew value.

A positive I/Q skew means that the Q vector delays relative to the I vector and vice versa.

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:IMPairment:SKEW on page 589

# **IQ** Delay

Sets the time delay of both I and Q vectors relative to the selected trigger and marker or relative to the other instrument(s) working in the master-slave synchronous mode (see chapter 5.8.2.4, "Synchronous Signal Generation", on page 277).

A positive value means that the I and Q vectors delay relative to the marker/trigger or to the other instrument and vice versa.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:IMPairment:DELay on page 586

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#### **Internal Compensation**

"Internal compensation" of signal distortions "of the RF output "can be activated / deactivated.

#### Optimize internal IQ-Impairments for RF Output - Digital Impairments

Activates or deactivates internal compensation of signal distortions of the RF output. Signal distortions can be either optimized for the RF output (active) or for the differential I/Q output (not active).

### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:IMPairment:OPTimization:STATe on page 588

#### **Optimization Mode - Digital Impairments**

Selects the optimization mode.

"Fast" Optimization is reached by compensation for I/Q skew.

"High Quality" Optimization is reached by compensation for I/Q skew and frequency

response correction.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:IMPairment:OPTimization:MODE on page 588

#### 5.6.2 AWGN - Noise Generator

The noise generator generates an AWGN signal (Additive White Gaussian Noise) in the digital baseband, i.e. the noise power density has a Gaussian distribution and is distributed evenly across the frequency. This noise signal superimposes the (interference-free) useful signal ("Additive Noise" mode). Typical applications for the noise generator are bit-error or block-error measurements, depending on the set S/N or C/N ratio.

The Gaussian noise is generated by means of feedback shift registers with subsequent probability transformation. The switching configuration is such that virtually ideal statistical characteristics are achieved:

- I and Q paths are decorrelated from each other.
- The crest factor of 18 dB allows very small probabilities to be realized.
- The period of the noise signal depends on the selected system bandwidth. The relationship of period P to system bandwidth B<sub>sys</sub> is approximated:

$$P \approx 1*10^{13} / B_{svs}$$

This results in periods between 317 years with minimum bandwidth and approximately 2 days with maximum bandwidth.

This results in a period of approximately one month for 3GPP FDD with a bandwidth of 3.84 Mcps, and a period of 427 days for GSM with 270.833 ksps.

Scalable low-pass filters are used to produce a noise level with both a broad dynamic range and a broad bandwidth range (from 1 kHz to 60 MHz).

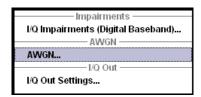
Apart from the "Additive Noise" mode, there are also the "Noise Only" and the "CW Interferer" mode. In the "Noise Only" mode a pure noise signal is generated and modulated to the carrier. In the "CW Interferer mode", a sinusoidal signal with an adjustable fre-

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quency offset to the baseband signal is generated and added to the baseband signal by means of a counter instead of a shift register.

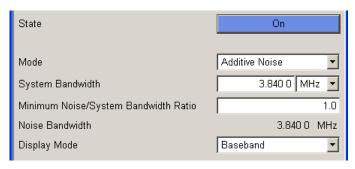
#### 5.6.2.1 AWGN Settings Dialog

To open the "AWGN Settings" menu for setting the noise generator, select "AWGN/IMP > Configure > AWGN" or use the MENU key under "AWGN/IMP".



The "AWGN Settings" menu is divided into the following sections.

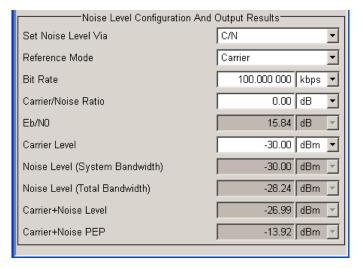
The RFI signal generator is activated, the mode selected and the interfering signal is configured in the top section of the menu.



The level of the interfering signal is configured in the "Noise Level Configuration And Output Results" section.

In "Additive Noise" and "CW interferer" mode, the interfering level can be defined and the resulting total level displayed here.

In "Noise Only" mode, only the noise level can be set here.



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#### **AWGN Settings**

The RFI signal generator is activated, the mode selected and the interfering signal is configured in the top section of the menu.

#### State - AWGN

Activates/deactivates the RFI signal generator. The interferer (AWGN or CW interferer, depending on the selected mode) is generated as after the generator is activated.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:AWGN:STATe on page 503

#### Mode - AWGN

Selects the mode for generating the interfering signal.

"Additive The AWGN noise signal with selectable system bandwidth is added to

Noise" the baseband signal.

"Noise Only" The pure AWGN noise signal with selectable system bandwidth is

modulated to the carrier. The connection to the baseband is interrupted.

"CW Interferer" A sine with a defined frequency offset is added to the baseband signal.

The calculation of  $E_b/N_0$  ratio is omitted.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:AWGN:MODE on page 499

### System Bandwidth - AWGN

(Additive Noise and Noise Only)

Sets the RF bandwidth to which the set carrier/noise ratio relates.

Within this frequency range, the signal is superimposed with a noise signal whose level corresponds exactly to the set C/N or S/N ratio.

**Note:** The noise signal is not generated arbitrarily for a particular bandwidth, but instead it is generated in steps. Noise therefore also occurs outside the set system bandwidth.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:AWGN:BWIDth on page 496

#### Minimum Noise/System Bandwidth Ratio - AWGN

(Additive Noise and Noise Only)

Sets the ratio of minimum noise bandwidth to system bandwidth.

**Note:** The noise signal is not generated arbitrarily for a particular bandwidth, but instead it is generated in steps. Noise therefore also occurs outside the set system bandwidth.

With this parameter the minimum real noise bandwidth can be set as required by some standards. It does not influence the calculation of level from the set C/N or S/N ratio in relation to system bandwidth.

The overall bandwidth is calculated as follow and may not exceed 120 MHz.

Overall Bandwidth = System BW x Minimum Noise/System BW Ratio

# SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:AWGN:BWIDth:RATio on page 497

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#### Noise Bandwidth - AWGN

(Additive Noise and Noise Only)

Indicates the real noise bandwidth. The value is only indicated for "State On".

**Note:** The noise signal is not generated arbitrarily for a particular bandwidth, but instead it is generated in steps. Noise therefore also occurs outside the set system bandwidth.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:AWGN:BWIDth:NOISe on page 497

#### Display Mode - AWGN

Sets the display mode to Baseband or RF.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:AWGN:DISP:MODE on page 498

# **Target CW Frequency - AWGN**

(CW Interferer mode only)

Sets the desired frequency of the sine in "CW Interferer" mode.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:AWGN:FREQuency:TARGet on page 499

#### **Resulting CW Frequency - AWGN**

(CW Interferer mode only)

Indication of the actual CW frequency of the sinusoidal signal in "CW Interferer" mode.

The actual frequency may differ from the desired frequency, since the resolution is limited to 0.7 Hz.

**Tip:** The desired frequency constellation can be precisely set with an accuracy of up to 0.01 Hz by selecting a suitable frequency offset of the baseband source (e.g. Custom Dig Mod) and by correcting the RF frequency by the difference between Resulting and Target CW Frequency.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:AWGN:FREQuency:RESult on page 499

#### Noise/Interferer Level Configuration And Output Results

The interfering signal is configured in the "Noise/Interferer Level Configuration and Output Results" section.

### Set Noise Level via - AWGN

(Additive Noise only)

Selects the mode for setting the noise level

"C/N ""S/N"

The noise level is set on the basis of the value entered for the carrier/noise or signal/noise ratio.

Whether a selection of C/N or S/N is enabled, depends on the selected "Display Mode".

With digital modulation, the associated  $E_b/N_0$  value is determined and displayed.

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 $^{\prime\prime}E_b/N_0$ 

The noise level is set on the basis of the value entered for the ratio of bit energy to noise power density.

The associated C/N or S/N value is displayed. The correlation between

the two values is as follows:

C/N or S/N =  $(E_b/N_0)^*(f_{bit}/B_{sys})$ , where

f<sub>bit</sub> is the Bit rate (Symbol rate x Modulation value)

B<sub>svs</sub> is the System bandwidth

With "Custom Dig Mod" signals, the bit rate used for calculation is defined by the selected standard in the "Custom Digital Mod" dialog. With "Digital Standard" signals, the bit rate to be used for calculating the  $E_h/N_0$  can be entered at "Bit Rate".

Some test cases with the 3GPP base station tests (TS 25.141) specify, for example, E/N settings that apply to channel-coded data or block segments.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:AWGN:POWer:MODE on page 500

#### **Reference Mode - AWGN**

(Additive Noise and CW Interferer, Display Mode set to RF)

Select reference mode if the C/N or Eb/N0 ratio is changed.

"Carrier" If the C/N value or  $E_h/N_0$  value changes, the carrier level is kept constant

and the noise level is adjusted. This is the standard procedure for

measuring the bit error rate versus the noise power.

"Noise" If the C/N value or E<sub>b</sub>/N<sub>0</sub> value changes, the noise level is kept constant

and the carrier level is adjusted.

Some test cases of 3GPP Base Station Tests (TS 25.141) specify, for example, that the noise power be permanently set as a function of the base station power class, whereas the carrier power is variable.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:AWGN:POWer:RMODe on page 502

#### Bit Rate - AWGN

(Additive Noise only)

Sets or indicates the bit rate used for converting C/N or S/N to E<sub>b</sub>/N<sub>0</sub>.

With "Custom Digital Mod" signals, the bit rate used is indicated here. It is defined by the choice of the standard in the "Custom Digital Mod" menu.

With "Digital Standard" signals, the bit rate used for converting C/N or S/N to  $E_b/N_0$  is set here.

When generating a "Digital Standard", it is thus possible to select which bit rate is to be used for calculating the ratio of bit energy to noise power density, e.g. the bit rate before or after channel coding.

# SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:AWGN:BRATe on page 496

#### Carrier/Noise Ratio / Signal/Noise Ratio

(Additive Noise and CW Interferer only)

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Sets the carrier/noise, signal/noise or signal/inerferer ratio.

Whether a configuration of C/N or S/N is enabled, depends on the selected "Display Mode".

- In "Carrier Reference Mode", this entry determines the RFI power and thus the power
  of the output signal. It does not affect the power of the useful signal, i.e. the carrier
  power remains constant.
- In "Noise Reference Mode", this entry determines the power of the useful signal, i.e. the carrier power. The RFI power remains constant.
- The level of the noise signal which is derived from the entered C/N or S/N value is displayed in the menu under "Noise Level". The value is displayed automatically in the units of the useful signal.
- The level of the useful signal is displayed in the menu under "Carrier Level" and can also be changed there. The displayed value corresponds to the value in the "Level" display field.
- The level of the output signal is displayed under "Carrier Level + Noise".

If "Set Noise Level via  $E_b/N_0$ " is selected, the associated C/N or S/N value is displayed here.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:AWGN:CNRatio on page 498

#### E<sub>b</sub>/N<sub>0</sub> - AWGN

(Additive Noise only)

Sets the ratio of bit energy to noise power density in "Additive Noise" mode.

- In "Carrier Reference Mode", this entry determines the noise level and therefore also
  the level of the output signal. It does not affect the level of the useful signal, i.e. the
  carrier level is kept constant.
- In "Noise Reference Mode", this entry determines the level of the useful signal, i.e. the carrier level, the noise level is kept constant.
- The level of the noise signal which is derived from the entered E<sub>b</sub>/N<sub>0</sub> value is displayed under "Noise Level". The value is displayed automatically in the units of the useful signal.
- The level of the useful signal is displayed in the menu under "Carrier Level". The displayed value corresponds to the value in the "Level" display field.
- The level of the output signal is displayed under "Carrier Level + Noise".

If "Set Noise Level via C/N or S/N" is selected, the associated  $E_b/N_0$  value is displayed here.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:AWGN:ENRatio on page 498

#### Carrier Level / Signal Level

(Additive Noise and CW Interferer)

The name of this parameter depends on the selected "Display Mode".

• In "Carrier Reference Mode", this parametr sets the carrier level. This entry corresponds to the level entered in the Level header.

The level of the noise signal which is derived from the entered C/N or S/N value is displayed under "Noise Level". The value is displayed automatically in the units of the useful signal.

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 In "Noise Reference Mode", this parameter indicates the carrier level which is derived from the entered C/N or S/N value. This indication corresponds to the level indicated in the "Level" header.

The nsoise level can be set under "Noise Level".

**Note:** The peak envelope power (PEP) specified in the header corresponds to the PEP value of the carrier. The PEP value of the overall signal is displayed in the menu under "Carrier+Noise PEP".

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:AWGN:POWer:CARRier on page 500

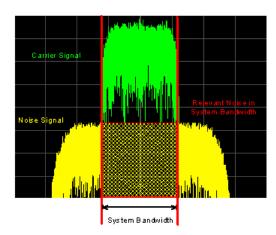
# Noise Level (System Bandwidth) / Interferer Level

(Additive Noise, Noise Only, CW Interferer)

- "Noise Only" mode
   Sets the level of the noise signal. This entry corresponds to the level entered in the
   "Level" header.
- "Additive Noise" mode
  - "Noise Reference Mode"
     Sets the level of the noise signal. The level of the carrier is derived from the entered C/N or S/N or Eb/N0 value.
  - "Carrier Reference Mode"
     Displays the level of the noise signal in the system bandwidth. The level of the noise signal is derived from the entered C/N or S/N or Eb/N0 value. The carrier level is entered under "Carrier Level"; respectively the signal level is displayed under "Signal Level".
- "CW Interferer" mode
  - "Noise Reference Mode"
     Sets the level of the interfering signal. The level of the carrier is derived from the entered C/N or S/N value.
  - "Carrier Reference Mode"
     Displays the level of the interfering signal. The level of the interfering signal is derived from the entered C/N or S/N value. The carrier level is entered under "Carrier Level".

**Note:** The noise signal is not generated arbitrarily for a particular bandwidth, but instead it is generated in steps. Noise therefore also occurs outside the set system bandwidth. This means that the total measurable noise level (see below) usually exceeds the value displayed here. Correct measurement of the noise level within the system bandwidth is possible by means of channel power measurement using a signal analyzer.

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#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:AWGN:POWer:NOISe on page 501

#### Noise Level (Total Bandwidth) - AWGN

Displays the level of the noise signal in the total bandwidth in "Noise Only" and "Additive Noise" mode.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:AWGN:POWer:NOISe:TOTal on page 501

# Carrier + Noise Level / Signal + Noise Level (System Bandwidth) / Carrier + Interferer Level / Signal + Interferer Level

(Additive Noise and CW Interferer)

Displays the overall level of the noise/interferer signal plus useful signal.

The name of this parameter depends on the selected "Display Mode".

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:AWGN:POWer:SUM on page 502

# Carrier + Noise PEP / Signal + Noise PEP (Total Bandwidth) / Carrier + Interferer PEP / Signal + Interferer PEP

(Additive Noise and CW Interferer)

Displays the peak envelope power of the overall signal comprised of noise signal plus useful signal.

The name of this parameter depends on the selected "Display Mode".

**Note:** The peak envelope power (PEP) specified in the header corresponds to the PEP value of the carrier.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:AWGN:POWer:SUM:PEP on page 503

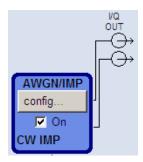
#### 5.6.3 Output of the Baseband Signal - I/Q Out

The R&S Signal Generator provides various outputs of the baseband signal.

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The digitally modulated signal can either be output directly or converted to an analog I/ Q baseband output signal. The **analog baseband signal** can be output single-ended or differential (non-inverted).

The analog signal is output at the I/Q output connectors I OUT/I OUT BAR and Q OUT/Q OUT BAR on the rear panel of the instrument.

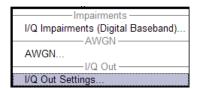




Equipped with option R&S SMBV-K18, Digital Baseband Connectivity, the instrument also provides the output of the digital I/Q signal, indicated in the "BB In/Out" function block. Refer to chapter 5.7, "Digital I/Q Output Settings", on page 267 for description.

#### 5.6.3.1 I/Q Out Settings Menu

The settings dialogs for the analog signal output are available in the block diagram in the "AWGN/IMP" function block as well as in the menu with the same name which is opened using the MENU key.



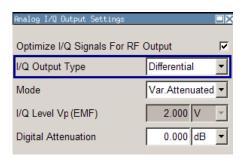
Selecting the menu item "I/Q Out Settings" opens a dialog with the parameters for the I/Q output signal.

The settings dialog for output of the digital signal is accessed in the "BB In/Out" function block, see chapter 5.7, "Digital I/Q Output Settings", on page 267.

#### 5.6.3.2 Analog I/Q Output

The differential output of the R&S Signal Generator provides symmetrical signals for differential inputs of DUTs without the need of additional external electric network.

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#### **Optimize IQ-Signals for RF Output**

Activates/deactivates optimization of level accuracy and imbalance for RF Output.

Level accuracy and imbalance can be either optimized for RF output (active) or for differential outputs (not active).

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:IQ:OUTPut:BIAS:OPTimization[:RF]:STATe on page 640

#### I/Q Output Type

Selects the type of output. The analog outputs can be operated in "Single Ended" mode or "Differential" (non-inverted) mode. The menu changes depending on the selected output mode

"Differential" Differential output at I OUT and I OUT BAR or Q OUT and

Q OUT BAR.

"Single Ended" Single-ended output at I OUT and Q OUT.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:IQ:OUTPut:TYPE on page 642

#### **Output Mode**

Selects the mode for setting the outputs - independent or together. The menu changes depending on the selection here.

"Fixed" The settings for the I/Q signal components are fixed and cannot be changed.

"Level Vp (EMF)" (Single ended) = 1.0 V

"Level Vp (EMF)" (Differential) = 2.0 V

"Variable" The settings for the I/Q signal components are not fixed and can be

modified.

"Var. Attenuated"

Enables a precise digital attenuation of the signal. The level of the baseband and the RF signal is attenuated by the value set with the parameter Digital Attenuation.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:IQ:OUTPut:MODE on page 641

#### I/Q Level Vp EMF

Variable output mode only

Digital I/Q Output Settings

Sets the output voltage for both signal components. Small differences at the inputs can be taken into account via impairment settings (see chapter 5.6.1.1, "Impairment Settings Menu", on page 249).

Single ended Output:

• Value range: 1 mV ... 1.5 V EMF.

Differential Output:

• Value range: 2 mV ... 3 V EMF.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:IQ:OUTPut[:ANALog]:POWer:PEP on page 641

# **Digital Attenuation**

The level of the baseband and the RF signal is attenuated by this value.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:IQ:OUTPut:POWer:DATTenuation on page 642

#### Resulting I/Q Level Vp EMF

Displays the resulting output off-load voltage of both signal components at the rear panel. SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:IQ:OUTPut[:ANALog]:POWer:PEP:RESult on page 641

# 5.7 Digital I/Q Output Settings

The output of the **digital baseband signal** requires the option R&S SMBV-K18, Digital Baseband Connectivity. If this option is connected, the instrument adds as separate function block to the block diagram, the "BB In/Out" block.



If digital Output is selected, the R&S SMBV displays "DIG I/Q OUT" and a corresponding symbol in the "BB In/Out" block.

The digital baseband signal is output at a standardized (LVDS) digital I/Q interface.

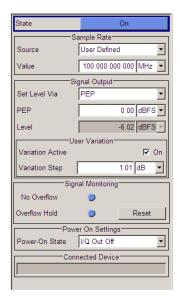
The settings dialogs for the digital signal output is available in the "BB In/Out" function block as well as in the menu with the same name which is opened using the MENU key.

To access the settings for the digital I/Q output:

- 1. select "Block Diagram > BB In/Out > Config... > Baseband Output Settings" or
- 2. press the MENU key and select "BB In/Out > Baseband Output Settings".



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# 5.7.1 Digital I/Q Output General Settings

# State - Digital I/Q Output

Switches On/Off the digital I/Q output signal.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:IQ:OUTPut:DIGital:STATe on page 647

# 5.7.2 Sample Rate

In the "Sample Rate" section the sample rate for the digital I/Q output signal can be set and the state of signal transmission is indicated by the FIFO Status.

#### Sample Rate Source - Digital I/Q Output

Selects the source for the sample rate of the digital I/Q output signal.

"User Defined" The internally generated clock reference signal is used. The sample rate is calculated and displayed in the field "Value".

"Digital I/Q Out" An external clock reference signal is used. The clock signal is directly fed in via pin CLK2 of the digital output interface (option R&S SMBV-K18, Digital Baseband Connectivity). The sample rate is estimated and displayed in the field "Value".

**Note:** Estimation works best if the sample rate is close to the user defined value.

# SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:IQ:OUTPut:DIGital:SRATe:SOURce on page 647

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#### Sample Rate Value - Digital I/Q Output

Sets or displays the sample rate of the digital I/Q output signal, depending on the selected sample rate "Source".

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:IQ:OUTPut:DIGital:SRATe on page 646

# 5.7.3 Signal Output

The level of the output signal is set in the "Signal Output" section. For entering the value, level type "PEP" or "Level" can be selected.

# Set Level Via - Digital I/Q Out

Selects the level type (PEP/Level) that is used to set the signal level. Either the PEP or the Level entry field can be edited.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:IQ:OUTPut:POWer:VIA on page 646

#### PEP - Digital I/Q Out

The signal level is expressed in terms of a peak envelope power value (PEP).

The level entry fields and the corresponding units are displayed in the status bar. The level display always refers to both signal components ( $SQR(I^2+Q^2)$ ).

SCPI command:

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[:SOURce<hw>]:IQ:OUTPut:DIGital:POWer:PEP on page 645
```

#### Level - Digital I/Q Out

The signal level is expressed in terms of an rms level value.

The level entry fields and the corresponding unit are displayed in the status bar. The level display always refers to both signal components ( $SQR(I^2+Q^2)$ ).

SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:IQ:OUTPut:DIGital:POWer:LEVel on page 644
```

#### 5.7.4 User Variation

If the level is set using the rotary knob, the step width is defined in the User Variation section.

### Variation Active - Digital I/Q Out

Activates the user-defined step width that is used by varying the level value with the rotary knob.

"On" The level value set with the rotary knob is varied using the user-defined step width which is entered under "Variation Step".

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"Off"

The level value set with the rotary knob is varied in steps of one unit at the cursor position (standard operating mode).

#### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:IQ:OUTPut:DIGital:POWer:STEP:MODE on page 646
```

#### Variation Step - Digital I/Q Out

Sets the user defined step width for entering the level value using the rotary knob. Level variation with this step width must be activated with "Variation Active ON".

#### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:IQ:OUTPut:DIGital:POWer:STEP[:INCRement] on page 645
```

# 5.7.5 Signal Monitoring

The section "Signal Monitoring" indicates digital signal clipping.

# Overflow - Digital I/Q Out

Indicates that the I/Q output signal is currently clipped. This indication also appears in the block diagram close to the digital I/Q Out connector.

Overload may occur, e.g. if the level of the output signal, or the noise level (AWGN) are too high.

#### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce]:IQ:OUTPut:DIGital:OFLow:STATe on page 644
```

#### Overflow Hold - Digital I/Q Out

Indicates an overflow since last reset.

The overflow hold state can be reset via the "Reset" button next to the LED, or is reset automatically by starting a new signal generation or by setting new values to the output level.

# SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce]:IQ:OUTPut:DIGital:OFLow:HOLD:STATe on page 643
```

#### Reset - Digital I/Q Out

Executes a reset of the overflow hold state and LED.

#### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce]:IQ:OUTPut:DIGital:OFLow:HOLD:RESet on page 643
```

# 5.7.6 Power On Settings

The power on behaviour of the R&S SMBV is set in the "Power On Settings" section.

# Power-On State - Digital I/Q Out

Selects the state which the digital I/Q Output is to resume after the instrument is switched on.

"I/Q Out Off" The output is deactivated when the instrument is switched on.

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"Previous Set- When the instrument is switched on the digital I/Q output resumes to ting" the status that was active before the last switch off.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:IQ:OUTPut:DIGital:PON on page 644

# Connected Device - Digital I/Q Out

Indicates the ID of an externally connected R&S Instrument.

**Note:** The connected instrument is indicated only, if the connection is properly established and signal transmission is active.

SCPI command:

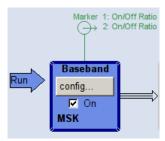
[:SOURce<hw>]:IQ:OUTPut:DIGital:CDEVice on page 643

# 5.8 Baseband Signal - Baseband Block

The R&S Signal Generator provides you with the ability to generate digital modulation signals in accordance with the definitions in the digital standards or with user-definable characteristics. Signals are generated in realtime or from a data store with the aid of external and internal data. You can also load externally computed modulation signals into the R&S Signal Generator in the form of waveform files.

Several digital standards are provided, plus digital modulation with user-definable signal characteristics, generation of waveforms with the aid of the Arbitrary Waveform Generator and generation of multi carrier CW signals with the aid of Multi Carrier CW.

The settings for digital modulation can be accessed in the block diagram via the "Base-band" function block or with the aid of the MENU key.



The equipment layout for generating the internal, digital modulation signals includes the options Baseband Generator (B10) and/or one of the ARB only options (B50/B55). These two ARB options feature different ARB memory sizes (see data sheet). Apart from the memory size, however, the options offer the same functionality, either one can be installed.

In addition, the appropriate option is required for the digital standards. These options are specified in the description of the respective standard.

In the subsequent signal route the baseband signals can be frequency-shifted, detuned or loaded with noise (see chapter 5.6, "Impairment of Digital I/Q Signal and Noise Generator - AWGN/IMP Block", on page 248).

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# 5.8.1 Working with the Baseband Signal

Frequency and phase offset are defined at the topmost menu level in the "Baseband" block or by using the MENU button under "Baseband".

The upper part of the "Baseband" dialog is used for selecting digital standards, digital modulation and waveform generation. These menus are described in the respective chapters relating to the modulation systems.

The lower part of the "Baseband" dialog can be used to define a frequency and phase offset.

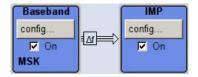
# **Frequency Offset**

Enters the frequency offset for the baseband signal.

The frequency offset shifts the baseband frequency interval and provides a quick way to shift the used frequency band in the RF frequency section without modifying the RF settings.



Wenn a frequency offset is defined, an icon is displayed in the signal flow right to the baseband block.



The complex I/Q bandwidth of the shifted useful signal must not exceed 120 MHz (R&S SMBV with option B10/B50) or 60 MHz (R&S SMBV with option B51) in total.

The following applies:

$$f_{offset}$$
 -  $f_{use}/2 >=$  - 120MHz/2 and  $f_{offset}$  +  $f_{use}/2 <=$  + 120MHz/2

f<sub>use</sub> = the complex useful bandwidth of the I/Q signal before the offset.

 $f_{offset}$  = frequency offset.

The following graph illustrates the setting range for the frequency offset.

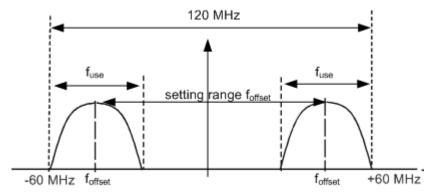


Fig. 5-17: Setting range for frequency offset

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### Example:

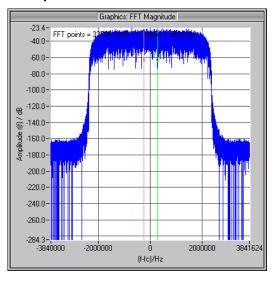


Fig. 5-18: 3GPP FDD signal (chip rate 3.84 Mcps, root-cosine filter 0.22).

The complex useful bandwidth of a signal which has been filtered using a root-cosine filter with roll off alpha is calculated as follows:

$$f_{use} = (1 + alpha) * f_{symbol}$$

 $f_{\text{symbol}}$  = the symbol rate or chip rate of the signal.

In the example the complex useful bandwidth is calculated as follows:

$$f_{use} = (1 + 0.22) * 3.84 \text{ MHz} = 4.6848 \text{ MHz}.$$

So as to comply with the condition requiring a maximum I/Q bandwidth of 40 MHz, the valid range of values for the frequency offset is then:

$$-60MHz + 4.6848MHz/2 \le f_{offset} \le 60MHz - 4.6848MHz/2$$
 or

$$-57.6576MHz \le f_{offset} \le 57.6576MHz$$

In the case of ARB signals, the output clock rate can be used for estimating the maximum I/Q bandwidth of the waveform.

# SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:FOFFset on page 504

# **Phase Offset**

Enter the relative phase offset for the baseband signal.



The phase offset affects the signal on the "Baseband block" output.

### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:POFFset on page 505

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# 5.8.2 Data and Signal Sources in Baseband

This section describes the common characteristics of the signals used for generating the baseband signal for all standards, including for example all listed data sources. The selection in the digital menus at any given time depends on the parameter and standard concerned and is clear from the selection list offered in the dialog. The external data sources may therefore not be available in certain cases.

Characteristics which are uniquely specific to particular standards are described in the corresponding manual.

The following input signals are used when digital modulation signals are being generated:

- Modulation data
- Clock signals
- Control signals

The input signals can be both internally generated and supplied from an external source. The internally generated clock signals are output on the CLOCK connectors.

Likewise control signals and also trigger signals for triggering signal generation in the R&S Signal Generator can be internally generated or supplied from an external source.

Two marker output signals for synchronizing external instruments can be user-defined.

Externally computed waveform files can be loaded in the instrument using computer interfaces or IEC bus.

Waveform files are processed with the aid of the Arbitrary Waveform Generator (ARB), see chapter 5.8.4, "Arbitrary Waveform Generator ARB", on page 323.

Internally the "Multi Carrier CW" menu for defining multi carrier waveforms is available (see chapter 5.8.5, "Multi Carrier Continuous Wave", on page 370).

# 5.8.2.1 Internal PRBS Data and Data Patterns

PRBS generators deliver pseudo-random binary sequences of differing length and duration. They are known as maximum length sequences, and are generated with the aid of ring shift registers with feedback points determined by the polynomial.

By way of example, the diagram below shows a 9-bit generator with feedback to registers 4 and 0 (output).

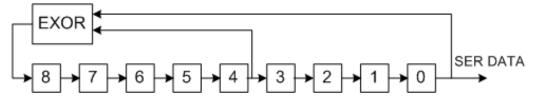
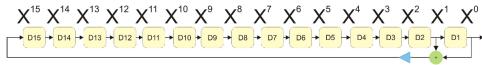


Fig. 5-19: 9-bit PRBS generator

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For PRBS15 and PRBS23, a CCITT V.52-compliant data inversion is performed in the feedback path automatically as shown below:



The pseudo-random sequence from a PRBS generator is uniquely defined by the register number and the feedback. The following table describes the available PRBS generators:

Table 5-1: PRBS generators

PRBS generator	Length in bits	Feedback to	GUI selection
9-bit	2 <sup>9</sup> -1 = 511	Registers 4, 0	PRBS 9
11-bit	2 <sup>11</sup> -1 = 2047	Registers 2, 0	PRBS 11
16-bit	2 <sup>16</sup> -1 = 65535	Registers 5, 3, 2, 0	PRBS 16
20-bit	2 <sup>20</sup> -1 = 1048575	Registers 3, 0	PRBS 20
21-bit	2 <sup>21</sup> -1 = 2097151	Registers 2, 0	PRBS 21

The "Data Source" selection for PRBS data from the dilaog is "PN11, ...".

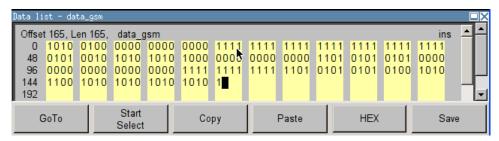
Simple data patterns such as binary 0 strings or 1 strings can also be used as internal modulation data. The "Data Source" selection from the menus is "ALL 0", "ALL1". A variable bit string with a maximum length of 64 bits can be entered in an input field by selecting "Pattern."

### 5.8.2.2 Internal Modulation Data from Lists

Internal modulation data can be generated and stored in the form of binary lists. A separate file is created for each list and held on the instrument's internal flash card.

The file name can be defined by the user.

The "Data Source" selection from the menus is "Data List". When this menu item is chosen the "Select Data List" button appears; this opens the file-selection window for data lists. A list can be created and edited in the "Data List Editor", which is accessed from the menu via the "List Management" or "Data List Management" button.



The maximum length of a data list is determined by the size of the data list memory (see data sheet). There is no restriction on the number of lists that can be stored.

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# 5.8.2.3 Clock Signals

The clock reference used for generating the timing pulse can be either internal or external ("Clock Source" selection from the menu: "Internal / External").

To enable a very precise simultaneous signal generation of two or more R&S SMBVs, two additional clock signals, "Sync. Master" and "Sync. Slave", are available. These both clock signals are enabled only in the special synchronistion mode. See chapter 5.8.2.4, "Synchronous Signal Generation", on page 277 for information how to configure two or more instruments to work in a synchronization mode.

#### Internal clock reference



The table below gives an overview of the generated clock signals and the connectors they are output at for the case a internal clock reference is selected.

Connector	Location	Clock Mode
CLOCK OUT	rear panel	Symbol clock

### External clock reference



An external clock is always supplied via the CLOCK connector. When the external clock reference is selected, the internal clock is synchronized to it. The table bellow gives an overview of the connectors the internal clocks are output at.

Connector	Location	Clock Mode
CLOCK OUT	rear panel	Symbol clock

The active edge of the external clock signal on the CLOCK input is selectable (menu "Setup > System > Global Trigger/Clock/External Inputs"). Internally the rising edge is always taken as the active edge. The active rising edge of the internal clocks is therefore synchronized with either the rising or the falling edge of the external clock reference. A symbol clock can be supplied externally or, if internally generated or externally asynchronous data is being fed in, a multiple of a symbol clock can be supplied.

In order for the clock synthesizer on the R&S SMBV to be synchronized correctly, the external clock reference must first be applied and the correct symbol rate must then be set. Until this has been done the external clock source must not be selected ("Clock Source External").

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The symbol rate set must not deviate from the symbol rate of the external signal by more than 2% (see also data sheet).

# 5.8.2.4 Synchronous Signal Generation

Different simulation schemes such as MIMO for instance require the generation of two or more very precise synchronized signals in the baseband and the RF domain.

Two or more instruments are denoted as "perfectly synchronized" if the following criteria are fulfilled:

- The frequency and the phase of the RF carriers are equal.
- The RF levels are equal
- The modulation signals have equal timing, i.e. the symbol rate and the signal generation start determined by the triggering are equal. The contents of the signal, however, may be different, as it is for instance in a MIMO system.

In the R&S SMBV, the first two requirements are fulfilled by adjusting the parameters "Baseband Phase Offset" and "RF Level". A special synchronization mode is provided to meet the third requirement, i.e. to enable several R&S SMBV to generate a simultaneous and synchronous signal.

Synchronization mode is an instrument's configuration in which one of the instruments is used as a master and the other(s) are slave(s). The master instrument supplies the slave instrument(s) with its system and reference clock as well as with its trigger signal. The instruments have to be configured and connected as described in the following sections.

This straightforward method ensure the simultaneous and synchronous signal generation in both the baseband and the RF part. However, to ensure even better phase coherence of the signal at the RF outputs, the LO Coupling feature of the R&S SMBV should be used. For more information about this feature, see chapter 5.4.5, "Local Oscillator - LO Coupling", on page 161.

In the R&S Signal Generator, the parameters required to achieve a "perfectly synchronized" state have to be gathered only once; they are stable in the time are not influenced by turning the instrument on and off. Refer to Application Note 1GP67 for detailed information on how to adjust the required settings.

# Connecting Several R&S SMBVs for Precise Synchronous Signal Generation

For working in master-slave synchronous mode, connect the instruments as follow:

- 1. Connect the instruments as a daisy chain, i.e. connect the inputs of each further instrument to the outputs of the previous one.
- Connect the output CLK OUT of the master instrument to the signal input CLK IN of the slave one.

**Note:** From firmware version 2.05.269 on, the trigger information is modulated on the clock signal and no additional cabling is necessary. For older firmware versions however, a connection between the output MARKER 1 of the master instrument and the signal input TRIG of the slave one is required.

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- To ensure phase coherence of the RF signals, connect the output of the local oscillator LO OUT of the master instrument to the signal input LO IN of the first slave one.
   The LO Coupling feature is available only for instruments equipped with the option R&S SMBV-B90.
- Provide a reference signal for the instruments, i.e. connect the output REF OUT of the master instrument to the signal input REF IN of the first slave one or use a common external reference signal.
  - This connection is not necessary, if the local oscillators are connected.
- Connect the power combiner and the spectrum analyzer. The connections are necessary only during the adjustment phase.
- 6. Avoid unnecessary cable lengths and branching points.

The figure below shows the cabling of two or more R&S SMBVs for working in masterslave synchronous mode.

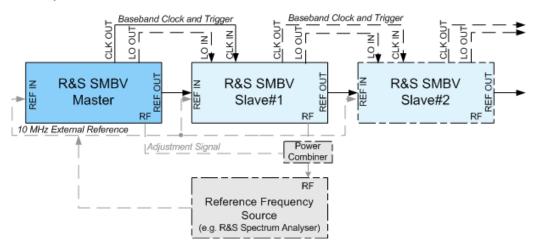


Fig. 5-20: Connection of several R&S SMBVs for synchronous signal generation

Some applications require a common external trigger source for all instruments. The connections necessary for this case are not shown on figure above and not considered in this description. The following sections assume the default situation, i.e. that the master instrument provides the slaves with its internal trigger signal.

### Configuring Several R&S SMBVs for Precise Synchronous Signal Generation

After the instruments had been connected as described in "Connecting Several R&S SMBVs for Precise Synchronous Signal Generation" on page 277 the instruments have to be configured.

The synchronization settings are available in the "Clock Settings" section of the "Custom Digital Modulation" menu, "ARB" menu and in each of the "Clock Settings" menus of the installed digital standards. The "Clock Settings" menu are described in the "Trigger/Marker/Clock Settings" on page 331 and in the respectively section "Trigger/Marker/Clock" of the installed digital standards.

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To easy the configuration, an automatically adjustment of the required synchronization settings is provided.

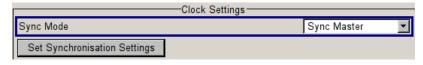
# Step 1: Adjust Phase and Level

▶ Refer to the Application Note 1GP67 for a detailed description on how to adjust the phase and level settings manually or by using the software tool PhaseTracker.

# **Step 2: Configure Master Instrument**

For working in master-slave synchronous mode, configure the master instrument as follow:

- 1. Adjust the baseband settings (e.g. "Custom Digital Modulation" or "ARB") as required and activate signal generation.
- 2. Set the "Synch Mode" to Sync Master.



SCPI Command: BB: DM: CLOC: SYNC: MODE MAST

3. Perform "Set Synchronization Settings".

SCPI Command: BB: DM: CLOC: SYNC: EXEC

The synchronization settings are automatically set.

The synchronization clock (including the trigger signal) and the reference clock of the master instrument are output on the CLK OUT and the REF OUT connectors and supplied to the slave instrument.

## Step 3: Configure Slave Instrument(s)

For working in master-slave synchronous mode, the slave instrument(s) has (have) to be configured as follow:

- 1. Configure the instrument to generate a baseband signal with the same settings as the master one and activate signal generation.
- Adjust the state of the parameter "Trigger/Marker/Clock > Sync. Output to External Trigger" as follow:
  - a) Disable the parameter, if the master instrument provides the slaves with its internal trigger signal.
  - b) In case a common external trigger signal is provided for the master and the slave instrument(s), the state of this parameter in all instruments has to match.

SCPI Command: BB: DM: TRIG: EXT: SYNC: OUTP OFF

3. Set the "Sync Mode" to "Sync Slave".



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SCPI Command: BB: DM: CLOC: SYNC: MODE SLAV

4. Perform "Set Synchronization Settings".

SCPI Command: BB: DM: CLOC: SYNC: EXEC

Select "Trigger/Marker/Clock > Global Trigger/Clock/External Input Settings > Automatic Delay Compensation" and adjust the "Slave Position in Chain" and "Cable Length". Enable the automatic delay compensation.

Following parameters are set automatically:

- The "Reference Oscillator" source is set to external.
- The "Trigger Mode" is set to retrigger and the "Trigger Source" is set to external.
- The "Clock Source" is set to external.

The slave instrument receives the synchronization clock (including the trigger signal) and the reference clock of the master one.

The "Synchronization State" parameter of the slave instrument displays whether the synchronization is achieved or not.

Each of the slave instruments calculate and compensate the expected timing delay caused by the used cables.

### 5.8.2.5 Control Signals

The following control signals are processed in the R&S SMBV:

- "Burst Gate" for power ramping
- "Level Attenuation" for power ramping
- "CW" for controlling the CW (continuous wave) mode
   The "CW" signal turns off digital modulation. The signal is output in unmodulated form.
   In case of standards in which it is possible to switch between different modulation modes, the signal is output only and cannot be supplied from an external source. In such cases it indicates the modulation mode internally (standard GSM: signal high (1) = modulation mode GMSK and signal low (0) = modulation mode 8PSK EDGE).

The CW control signal and the signals for power ramping are generated internally.

A dedicated internal "Control Data Editor" is provided for defining the control signals. This editor with its intuitive graphical interface can be used to define and save control signals. Definition by generating or editing a binary list is no longer necessary (though it is still possible via the IEC bus).

A separate file with the file extension \*. dm\_iqc is created for each defined control signal and held on the R&S Signal Generator hard disk.

If the "Component Data Editor" is used, the "Control Data Editor" is integrated with it. The defined control data is not held separately, but stored with the data structure. This applies both to signals of the Data Editor Realtime and the Data Editor Offline.

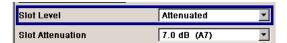
# **Power Ramping and Level Attenuation**

In TDMA radio networks it is necessary to control the RF output signal envelope synchronously for the purpose of digital modulation. The signals "Burst" Gate and "Lev Att" are used for this. These signals are internally generated.

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When power ramping is enabled, a ramp is generated whenever there is a data switch on the "Burst" signal (from high to low or low to high). The steepness of this ramp can be adjusted. Power ramping is enabled and configured in the "Power Ramp Control" submenu.

The "Lev\_Att" signal is used to control a defined level attenuation. If level attenuation is enabled, the modulation signal level is attenuated by a defined value if the "Lev\_Att" signal is high. The level attenuation value is defined in the "Power Ramp Control" menu. For the "GSM/EDGE" standard a maximum of 7 different level attenuation values can be defined and allocated separately to the 8 slots quite independently of one another. Level attenuation is enabled either in the "Power Ramp Control" menu (Custom Digital Modulation) or in the "Burst Editor" (GSM/EDGE).



Level attenuation enables to simulate radio stations located at various distances.

The diagram below shows an example of how the power ramping signals work.

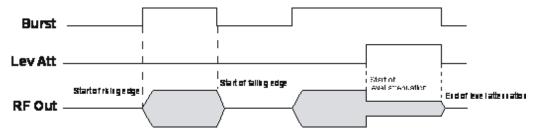


Fig. 5-21: Signal behavior when power ramping is enabled. The Burst Gate signal defines the start of the rising and falling edges of the envelope, and the Lev Att signal defines the start and end of level attenuation. The level attenuation value is defined in the Power Ramp Control menu.

# 5.8.2.6 Trigger Signals

In the R&S Signal Generator, trigger signals are internally generated or externally supplied signals which start signal generation at a particular point in time.

Signal generation can also take place without triggering, in which case the signal is then generated in full after modulation is powered up. A trigger event either has no effect on signal generation (menu setting "Trigger Mode Auto") or triggers a signal restart (menu setting "Trigger Mode Retrigger").

If signal generation is triggered, the signal is continuously generated after the first trigger. In the "Armed\_Auto" mode, a further trigger event has no effect. In the "Armed\_Retrig" mode, every additional trigger event triggers a restart of the signal. In both cases, triggering can be reset to the initial state ("armed"), i.e. signal generation is stopped and the instrument waits for the next trigger to start signal generation anew.

The status of signal generation ("Running" or "Stopped") is displayed for all trigger modes in the corresponding trigger menu of the digital standard currently switched on. The signal generation status particularly with an external trigger can thus be checked.

Internal and external trigger sources are available for triggering.

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 Internally, triggering is carried out manually by pressing the "Execute Trigger" button (menu selection "Internal").

 External trigger signals can be fed in via the TRIGGER connector (menu selection "External").

In the case of external triggering and internal triggering by the trigger signal on the second path, the start can be delayed by a definable number of symbols (menu setting "Trigger Delay External"). This makes it possible to purposely simulate the time delay between a base station signal and a user equipment signal, for example in the course of base station tests.

The effect of a restarted trigger signal in the "Retrigger" trigger mode can be suppressed for a definable number of symbols (menu setting "External Trigger Inhibit"). By this means the trigger can be suppressed for a definable number of frames, for example in the course of base station tests, and yet the signal can still be generated synchronously. In each frame the base station generates a trigger which would cause a signal generation restart every time but for the suppression.

#### Example:

Entering 1000 samples means that after a trigger event, any subsequent trigger signal is ignored for the space of 1000 samples.

### 5.8.2.7 Marker Output Signals

The R&S Signal Generator generates user-definable marker output signals which can be used to synchronize external instruments. By this means a slot clock or frame clock can be set, for instance, or the start of a particular modulation symbol can be marked.

Two marker outputs are available.

Marker	Connector	Location
Markers 1/2	MARKER 1 / 2 BNC connectors	rear panel

# 5.8.3 Digital Modulation - Custom Digital Modulation

The R&S Signal Generator can generate digital modulation signals with user-definable characteristics. Baseband filtering and the symbol rate can be set within wide limits.

# 5.8.3.1 Overview and Required Options

The equipment layout for generating the digital modulation signals includes the option Baseband Generator (R&S SMBV-B10).

When modulation is ON, a two-part level indication is shown in the header section of the display. This displays both the average power (LEVEL) and the peak envelope power (PEP) of the modulated output signal.



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The difference between PEP and LEVEL depends on the modulation type and the filtering: Both values are pre-measured internally so that the displayed values match the true values in the signal. When external signals are used, they are replaced by PRBS data during pre-measurement.

# 5.8.3.2 Modulation Types - Custom Digital Mod

The available predefined modulation types are ASK (amplitude shift keying), FSK (frequency shift keying), PSK (phase shift keying) and QAM (quadrature amplitude modulation). Additionally, a user defined modulation mapping can be applied (see "User Mapping" on page 286).

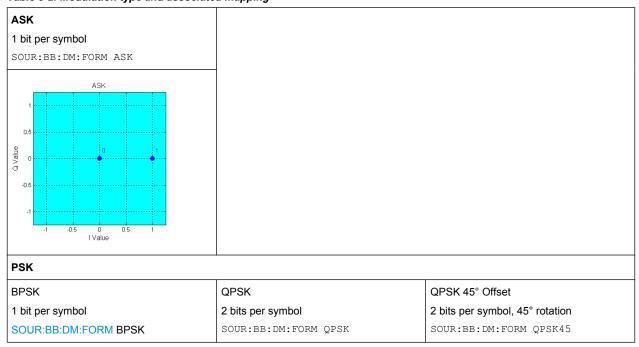
The actual modulation procedure is described by mapping, which assigns I and Q values (PSK and QAM) or frequency shifts (FSK) to every modulation symbol that occurs. This is represented graphically in the constellation diagrams.

The mapping for the selected modulation type is displayed in the "More..." submenu in the "Modulation" menu section (see "More - Modulation Type - Digital Modulation" on page 301).

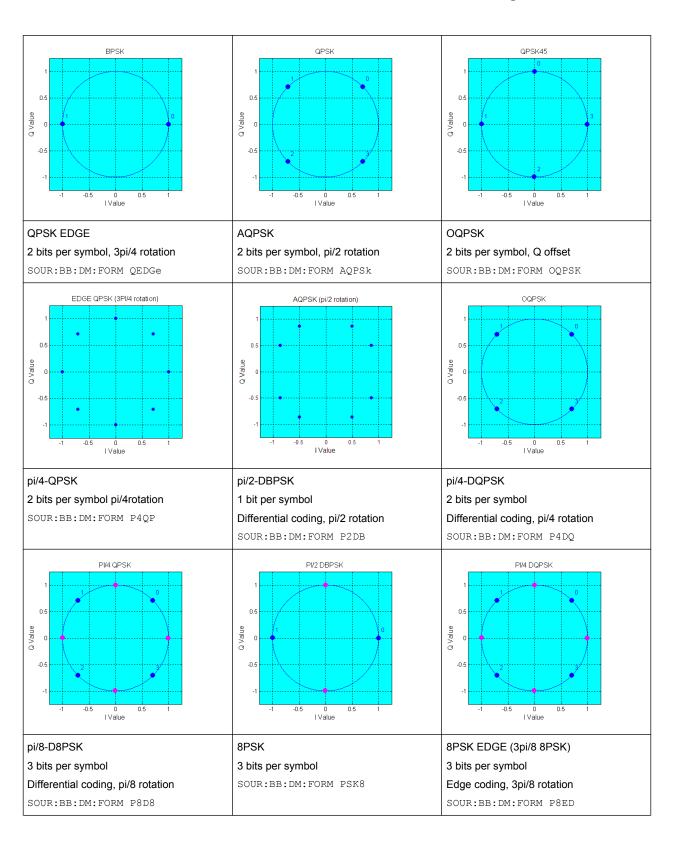
The QAM procedures 16QAM, 32QAM, 64QAM have been produced in accordance with ETSI standard ETS 300429 for digital video broadcasting (DVB). The QAM procedures 256QAM and 1024QAM are not specified in this standard, but have been produced according to the same basic principles.

In the case of all FSK procedures, the user can set the symbol rate fSYMB up to a maximum value (see data sheet). If MSK is selected, the frequency deviation (FSK deviation) cannot be set since it is permanently set to ¼ of the symbol rate.

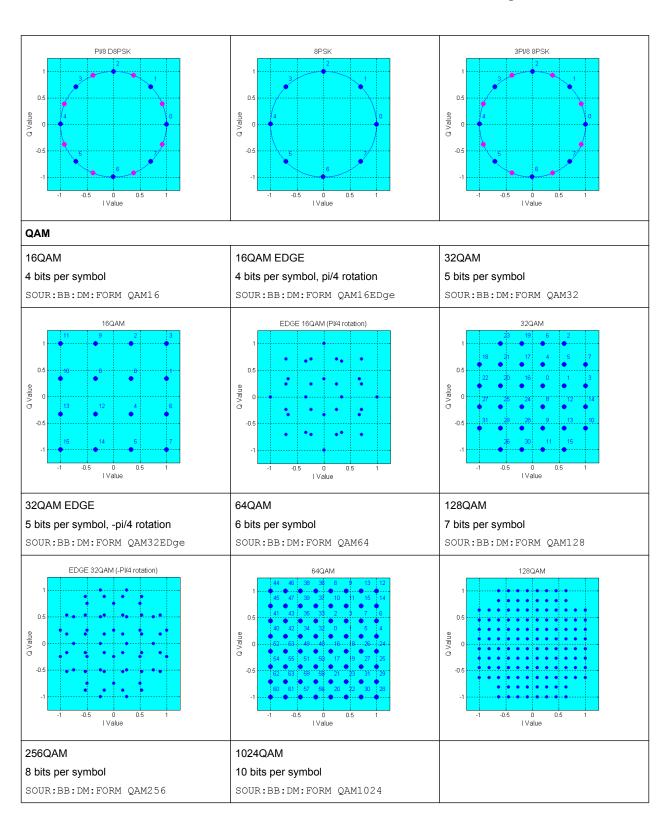
Table 5-2: Modulation type and associated mapping



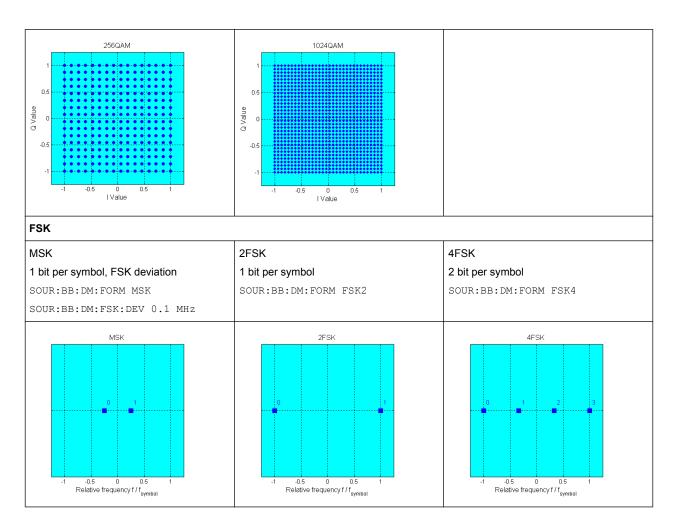
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In addition to the FSK modulations, a variable FSK modulation with definable deviation per symbol is available.

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:FORMat on page 567

### **User Mapping**

A user defined modulation mapping file can also be selected as modulation mapping source. The user modulation mapping file must have extension \*.vam and can be created with the R&S mapping wizard. The mapping wizard (mapwiz) is a tool from Rohde & Schwarz designed for editing modulation schemes (e.g. QPSK, 32QAM). Its main purpose is the assignment of logical symbol numbers to constellation points and the selection of modulation specific parameters. Beyond this it supports the creation of nearly any arbitrarily chosen constellation diagram. The output of mapwiz is a mapping file (\*.vam) that can be imported on a R&S SMBV. The program was developed on a 32-bit Microsoft Windows platform under MATLAB. For more information, refer to the description "Introduction to "mapwiz" Mapping Editor" on the Rohde&Schwarz Internet page.

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# 5.8.3.3 Coding - Custom Digital Mod

Modulation symbols are coded directly before I and Q values or frequency shifts are assigned. Coding is thus directly related to modulation methods, which is the reason why codings are not freely combinable with modulation methods. The following table shows which of the coding combinations are available and defines the modulation types for which the various coding procedures can be used.

In the notation used below an denotes the n-th input symbol and bn denotes the correspondingly coded output symbol. Individual bits in the symbols from the LSB (least significant bit) to the MSB (most significant bit) are denoted by a0n, a1n and so on. The same applies to the output symbols.

Table 5-3: Permissible coding combinations for modulation symbols and modulation type

	OFF	Differ- ential	Phase Diff.	Diff. +Gray	Gray	GSM	NADC, PDC, PHS, TETRA, APCO25 (PSK), PWT	TFTS/ TETRA	INMARSAT, ICO, WCDMA, cdma2000	VDL	APCO25 (FSK)	APCO25 (8PSK)
ASK	x	Х		х	Х							
BPSK	Х	Х		Х	Х							
pi/2 DBPSK	Х				х							
QPSK	Х	х		Х	х				х			
QPSK EDGE	Х											
QPSK45° Off- set	х	х		Х	Х							
Pi/4 QPSK	Х	х			Х							
Pi/4 DQPSK	Х				Х		х	Х				
8PSK	Х	Х		Х	Х					Х		
AQPSK	Х	х		Х	х							
OQPSK	Х	х		Х	х							
8PSK_EDGE	Х											
Pi/8 D8PSK	Х				х							х
MSK	Х	х		Х	х	Х						
2FSK	Х	Х		Х	Х	Х						
4FSK	Х	х		Х	х						х	
8FSK	Х	х		Х	х							
16FSK	Х	х		Х	х							
16QAM	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х							
16QAM EDGE	Х											
32QAM	х	х	Х	Х	Х							

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	OFF	Differ- ential	Phase Diff.	Diff. +Gray	Gray	GSM	NADC, PDC, PHS, TETRA, APCO25 (PSK), PWT	TFTS/ TETRA	INMARSAT, ICO, WCDMA, cdma2000	VDL	APCO25 (FSK)	APCO25 (8PSK)
32QAM EDGE	Х											
64QAM	х	x	х	х	х							
128QAM	Х	х	х	х	х							
256QAM	Х	Х	х	х	х							
1024QAM	Х	х	х	х	х							

# Modulation type pi/4DQPSK

With differential coding switched on at the same time, a constellation diagram is obtained for pi/4DQPSK which is similar to that obtained for 8PSK. Phase shifts are however assigned to the individual modulation symbols. The following tables show the assignment of modulation symbols to phase shifts of the I/Q vector in relation to the selected coding.

Table 5-4: Phase shifts for pi/4DQPSK

Modulation symbol a <sub>n</sub>	00	01	10	11
(binary indication: MSB, LSB)				
Phase shifts without coding	+ 45°	+ 135°	- 135°	- 45°
Phase shifts with coding NADC, PDC, PHS, TETRA or APCO25 (PSK)	+ 45°	+ 135°	- 45°	- 135°
Phase shifts with coding TFTS	- 135°	+ 135°	- 45°	+ 45°

# **Coding algorithms**

Common coding types are listed in the following table.

Table 5-5: Coding algorithms

Coding	Coding algorithm	Applicable for K bit/symbol
NONE	$b_n = a_n$	k = 18
Differential	$b_n = (a_n + b_{n-1}) \text{ modulo } 2^k$	k = 17
Differential + Gray	Gray coding with additional differential coding	k = 17
GSM	$dc_n = not (d_n exor d_{n-1})$	k = 1

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# Example: Differential coding for QPSK modulation with K = 2 bit/symbol

Decimal display; value range for modulation symbols

$$a_n \in \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$$

Recursive coding is defined as follows:  $b_n = (a_n + b_{n-1})$  modulo 4

Depending on the state of a preceding modulation symbol  $b_{n-1}$  the coded modulation symbol  $b_n$  is obtained for example from modulation symbol  $a_n = 2$  as follows:

a <sub>n</sub> = 2	b <sub>n-1</sub>	b <sub>n</sub>
	0	2
	1	3
	2	0
	3	1

By means of differential coding, the assignment between modulation symbols and phase differences shown in the following table is generated:

Modulation symbol a <sub>n</sub> (binary, MSB, LSB)	00	01	10	11
Phase difference	0°	90°	180°	270°

# Example: Gray and differential coding for 8PSK modulation

First, a gray coding is performed according to the gray code. Afterwards, a differential coding is performed according to the recursive coding algorithm quoted above. The assignment between modulation symbols and phase differences shown in the following table is generated:

"Differential coding according to VDL" can be used for modulation types with 3 bits/symbol, e.g. 8PSK.

Table 5-6: Differential coding according to VDL

Modulation symbol d (binary, MSB, LSB)	000	001	010	011	100	101	110	111
Phase difference	0°	45°	135°	90°	315°	270°	180°	225°

"Phase differential coding" INMARSAT and PHASE DIFF correspond to system standards Inmarsat-M and DVB according to ETS 300 429. The INMARSAT coding can generally be used for modulation types with 2 bits/symbol, such as QPSK. It uses the following algorithm.

 $b_{1n} = [NOT (a_{1n} EXOR a_{0n}) AND (a_{1n} EXOR b_{1(n-1)})] OR$   $[(a_{1n} EXOR a_{0n}) AND (a_{1n} EXOR b_{0(n-1)})] OR$ 

$$\begin{split} \textbf{b}_{0n} &= & \quad \text{[NOT } (\textbf{a}_{1n} \text{ EXOR } \textbf{a}_{0n}) \text{ AND } (\textbf{a}_{0n} \text{ EXOR } \textbf{b}_{0(n-1)})] \quad \text{OR} \\ & \quad \text{[} (\textbf{a}_{1n} \text{ EXOR } \textbf{a}_{0(n-1)}) \text{ AND } (\textbf{a}_{0n} \text{ EXOR } \textbf{b}_{1(n-1)})] \end{split}$$

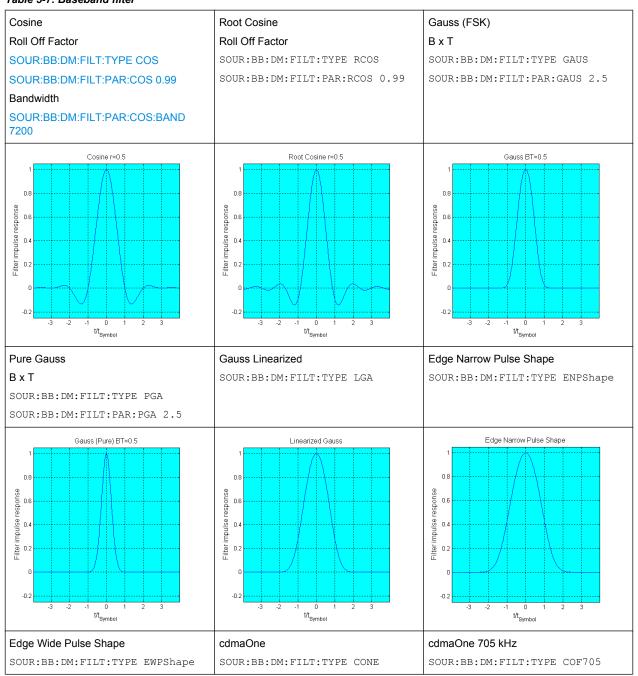
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# 5.8.3.4 Baseband Filter - Custom Digital Mod

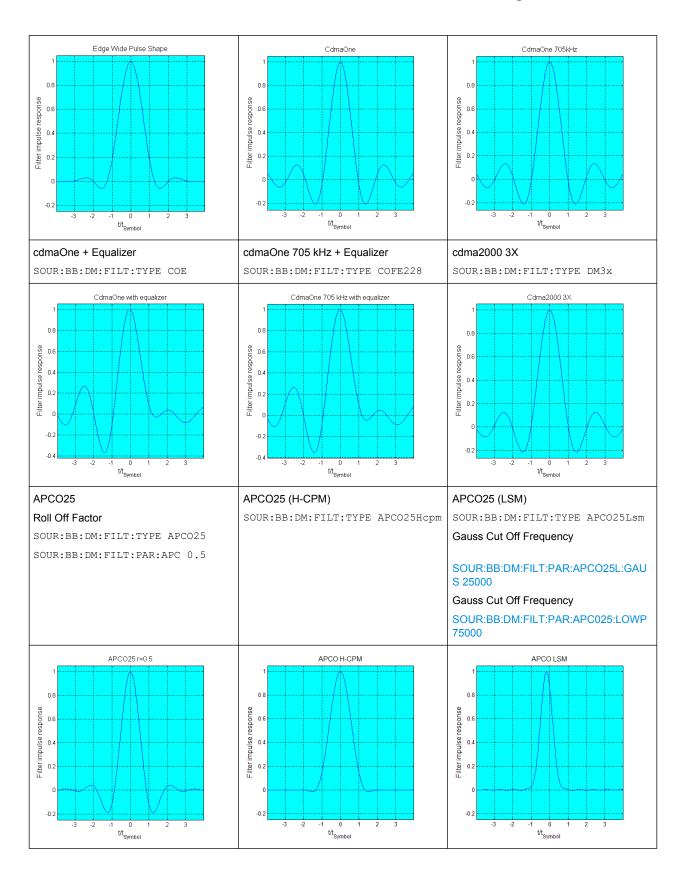
The R&S SMBV offers a wide selection of predefined baseband filters. The filter characteristic for the selected filter is displayed in the "More..." submenu in the "Filter" menu section (see "Filter" on page 303). Additionally, a user defined filter can be selected (see "User filter" on page 292).

The following table shows the filters that are available, together with the associated parameters and IEC bus commands. The filter characteristic is displayed in graphical form.

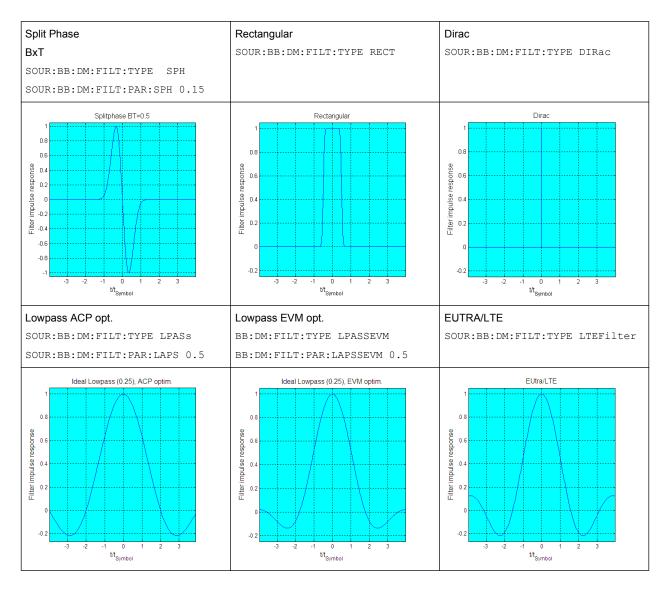
Table 5-7: Baseband filter



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### **User filter**

The user filter file must have extention \*.vaf and can be created with the R&S filter wizard.

The filter wizard (filtwiz) is a tool from Rohde & Schwarz designed for creating filter files that can be imported on a R&S SMBV. Its main purpose is the conversion of user-defined finite impulse response (FIR) filters into the filter format (\*.vaf). Beyond this filtwiz provides designs for standard filters, e.g. Root Raised Cosine, Gaussian.

The program was developed on a 32-bit Microsoft Windows platform under MATLAB.

For more information, refer to the description "Introduction to "filtwiz" Filter Editor" on the Rohde&Schwarz Internet page.

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# 5.8.3.5 Conflicting Settings - Custom Digital Mod

Having selected a modulation procedure, not every combination is possible when selecting the settings for the modulation parameters "Symbol Rate" and "Coding". These restrictions inevitably give rise to conflicting settings if a parameter is changed and leads to a prohibited combination.

A conflicting setting is indicated by a message on the Info line in the display. The R&S SMBV displays the setting entered by the user, but the modulation signal actually generated does not correspond to this display. A conflict of settings can be triggered if the user changes a parameter inappropriately. The message disappears as soon as a conflict-free setting is entered.

A list of the possible settings conflicts and messages in digital modulation can be found in chapter 9, "Error Messages", on page 727.

# 5.8.3.6 Custom Digital Mod User Interface



The menu for setting digital modulation can be opened either in the "Baseband" block or in the menu tree under "Baseband".

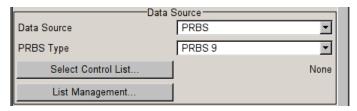
The "Custom Digital Modulation" menu enables direct selection of the data source, standard, symbol rate, coding, modulation type and filter. All other settings are entered in submenus which are called via "More" buttons.

The upper part of the menu is used for powering up digital modulation as well as for calling the default settings and user-defined standards.

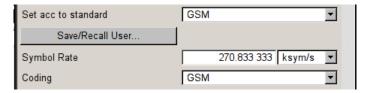


The data source is selected and set in the "Data Source" section.

The "List Management" button opens a submenu for calling the data editor and the file manager.



The middle part of the menu is used for selecting the standard, the symbol rate and the coding.

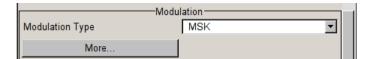


The modulation type is set in the "Modulation" section.

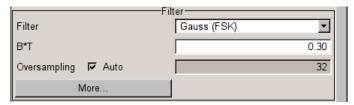
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The "More" button opens a submenu that displays the mapping for the selected modulation.

This submenu can also be used to enable switching the signal between modulated and unmodulated.



The filter is set in the "Filter" section. The "More" button opens a submenu where the filter characteristic of the selected filter is displayed.



The buttons in the lower part of the menu open submenus for power ramping and for configuring triggers, markers and clocks.



In each case the current setting is displayed next to the button.

# **General Settings**

The upper part of the menu is used for powering up digital modulation as well as for calling the default settings and user-defined standards.

# State - Digital Modulation

Enables/disables digital modulation.

Switching on digital modulation turns off all the other digital standards.

The digital modulation is generated in realtime (no precalculated signal), and therefore all parameter changes (in the ON state) directly affect the output signal.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:STATe on page 551

# **Set To Default - Digital Modulation**

Calls default settings. The values are shown in the following table.

Parameter	Value
State	Not affected by Set to Default
Data Source	PRBS 9

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Parameter	Value			
Standard	GSM			
Symbol Rate	270.833 ksymb/s			
Coding	GSM			
Modulation Type	MSK			
Filter	Gauss (FSK)			
Filter Parameter BxT	0.3			
Power Ramp Control				
Attenuation	15 dB			
Ramp Time	1 sym			
Ramp Function	Cosine			
Fall Delay	0			
Rise Delay	0			
Source	Internal			
State	Off			
Trigger	Mode Auto, Source Internal			
Clock				
Source	Internal			
Mode	Symbol			

# SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:PRESet on page 550
```

### Save/Recall - Digital Modulation

Calls the "Save/Recall" dialog.

From the "Save/Recall" dialog the "File Select" windows for saving and recalling the complete settings in the "Custom Digital Modulation" menu can be called.

The Digital Modulation Settings are stored as files with the predefined file extension \* . dm. The file name and the directory they are stored in are user-definable.

The complete settings in the "Custom Digital Modulation" dialog are saved and recalled.

# SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:SETTing:CATalog on page 581
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:SETTing:DELete on page 581
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:SETTing:LOAD on page 582
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:SETTing:STORe on page 582
```

#### **Fast Save**

Determines whether the instrument performs an absolute or a differential storing of the settings.

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Enable this function to accelerate the saving process by saving only the settings with values different to the default ones.

**Note:** This function is not affected by the "Preset" function.

#### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:SETTing:STORe:FAST on page 582
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:SETTing:STORe:FAST on page 534
```

refer to the description of frimware options for the syntax of the corresponding SCPI commands

#### **Data Source**

The data source is selected and set in the "Data Source" section. The parameters offered depend on the data source selected. The More button opens a submenu for calling the data editor and the file manager.

# **Data Source - Digital Modulation**

Selects the data source (see chapter 5.8.2, "Data and Signal Sources in Baseband", on page 274).

You may choose from the following data sources:

"All 0, All 1" 0 data or 1 data is internally generated.

"PRBS, PRBS Type" PRBS data in accordance with the IUT-T with period lengths between 29-1 and 223-1 are internally generated.

The length is selected in the "PRBS Type" input box.



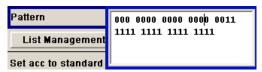
## SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:PRBS[:LENGth] on page 549

"Pattern"

A user-definable bit pattern with a maximum length of 64 bits is internally generated.

The bit pattern is defined in the "Pattern" input box.



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"Data List ..., Select Data" Data lists will be used.

Data lists can be generated internally in the data editor or externally. Data lists are selected in the "File Select" window, which is called by means of the "Select Data" button.



The "File" "Manager" is used to transmit external data lists to the R&S Signal Generator, and can be called within every "File" Select window by means of the "File" "Manager" button.

#### SCPI command:

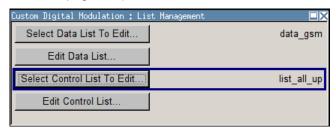
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:DLISt:SELect on page 578

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:SOURce on page 550

### **List Management - Digital Modulation**

Calls the menu for managing data and control lists (see "List Management" on page 305).



# SCPI command:

n.a.

# Standard, Symbol Rate, Coding

The middle part of the menu is used for selecting the standard, the symbol rate and the coding.

# Set acc. to Standard - Digital Modulation

Selects a standard.

After selection, modulation parameters "Modulation Type", "Symbol Rate", "Filter" and "Coding" are automatically set in accordance with the standard.

If one of these parameters is subsequently altered, the display changes to User. The User setting can be saved to a file so that it can be recalled at some later time ("Save/Recall User.." button).

The following table shows the standards that are available, together with the associated settings of the modulation parameters.

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Table 5-8: Standards - Custom Digital Modulation

Standard	Modulation	Symbol Rate	Filter	Coding	Parameter for SCPI command
APCO Phase1 C4FM	4FSK, Deviation 1.8 KHz	4.8 ksym/s	APCO25, roll off = 0.2	APCO25(FSK)	APCOPH1C4fm
APCO Phase1 CQPSK	pi/4-DQPSK	4.8 ksym/s	Cosine, roll off = 0.2, BW = 4.8 KHz	APCO25(PSK)	APCOPH1CQpsk
APCO Phase2 H- CPM	4FSK, Deviation 3 KHz	6 ksym/s	APCO25 (H-CPM)	APCO25(FSK)	APCOPH2HCpm
APCO Phase2 H- DQPSK	pi/4-DQPSK	6 ksym/s	Cosine, roll off = 1, BW = 7.2 KHz	APCO25(PSK)	APCOPH2HDQpsk
APCO Phase2 H- D8PSK Wide	pi/8-D8PSK	4 ksym/s	Cosine, roll off = 1, BW = 7.2 KHz	APCO25(8PSK)	APCOPH2HD8PSKW
APCO Phase2 H- D8PSK Narrow	pi/8-D8PSK	4 ksym/s	Cosine, roll off = 1, BW = 5 KHz	APCO25(8PSK)	APCOPH2HD8PSKN
APCO Phase1 LSM	pi/4-DQPSK	4.8 ksym/s	APCO25 (LSM), Gauss Cut Off = 2.04 KHz, Low- pass Cut Off = 6.2 KHz	APCO25(8FSK)	APCOPH1Lsm
APCO Phase1 WCQPSK	pi/4-DQPSK	4.8 ksym/s	Cosine, roll off = 1, BW = 7.2 KHz	APCO25(8FSK)	APCOPH1Wcqpsk
Bluetooth	2FSK, Deviation 160.0 kHz	1.0 Msym/s	Gauss, B*T = 0.5	OFF	BLUetooth
DECT	2FSK, Deviation 288.0 kHz	1.152 Msym/s	Gauss, B*T = 0.5	OFF	DECT
ETC (ARIB STD T55)	ASK, ASK Depth 100%	1.024 Msym/s	Split Phase, B*T = 2.0	OFF	ETC
GSM	MSK	270.833333 ksym/s	Gauss, B*T = 0.3	GSM	GSM
GSM EDGE	8PSK EDGE (3pi/8 8PSK)	270.833333 ksym/s	Gauss linear	OFF	GSMEdge
NADC	pi/4 DQPSK	24.3 ksym/s	Root Cosine, alpha = 0.35	NADC	NADC
PDC	pi/4 DQPSK	21.0 ksym/s	Root Cosine, alpha = 0.50	PDC	PDC
PHS	pi/4 DQPSK	192.0 ksym/s	Root Cosine, alpha = 0.50	PHS	PHS
TETRA	pi/4 DQPSK	18.0 ksym/s	Root Cosine, alpha = 0.35	TETRA	TETRa
WCDMA 3GPP	QPSK 45° Offset	3.84 Msym/s	Root Cosine, alpha = 0.22	WCDMA 3GPP	W3GPp
TD-SCDMA	QPSK 45° Offset	1.28 Msym/s	Root Cosine, alpha = 0.22	OFF	TCSCdma
cdma2000 Forward	QPSK	1.2288 Msym/s	cdmaOne + Equalizer	cdma2000	CFORward
cdma2000 Reverse	Offset QPSK	1.2288 Msym/s	cdmaOne	cdma2000	CREVerse
Worldspace	QPSK	1.84 Msym/s	Root Cosine, alpha = 0.40	OFF	WORLdspace
TFTS	pi/4 DQPSK	22.1 ksym/s	Root Cosine, alpha = 0.40	TFTS/ TETRA	TFTS

SCPI command:

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```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:STANdard on page 551
```

### Save/Recall User - Digital Modulation

Calls the "Save/Recall User" menu.

From the "Save/Recall User Standard" menu the "File Select" windows for saving and recalling user-defined standards and the "File Manager" can be called.



User standards are stored as files with the predefined file extension \*.dm\_stu. The file name and the directory they are stored in are user-definable.

### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:STANdard:ULISt:CATalog on page 582
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:STANdard:ULISt:DELete on page 583
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:STANdard:ULISt:LOAD on page 583
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:STANdard:ULISt:STORe on page 583
```

# **Symbol Rate - Digital Modulation**

Selects the symbol rate.

The value range is dependent on the selected modulation type.

When the modulation type changes, the range is automatically redefined. If the set symbol rate is outside this range, an error message is generated and the maximum value for the newly chosen modulation type is automatically set.

#### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:SRATe on page 551
```

# **Coding - Digital Modulation**

Selects the coding (see chapter 5.8.3.3, "Coding - Custom Digital Mod", on page 287).

The menu offers only the coding settings that are permissible for the chosen modulation type. The other coding methods are grayed out.

If the system is subsequently switched to a modulation type for which the selected coding is not available, coding is automatically set to OFF.

#### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:CODing on page 567
```

#### Modulation

The modulation type is set in the "Modulation section". The parameters offered depend on what is currently selected. The "More..." button opens a submenu for displaying the user-defined mapping.

# **Modulation Type - Digital Modulation**

Selects a modulation type.

The associated symbol mapping is displayed in the "More..." submenu (see chapter 5.8.3.2, "Modulation Types - Custom Digital Mod", on page 283).

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If the "coding" that is set is not possible with the chosen modulation type, "coding" is set to "Off".

For selection "Variable FSK", the deviation of each symbol can be set in the "More..." submenu.

#### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:FORMat on page 567
```

## **Load User Mapping - Digital Modulation**

Selects user defined mapping table. This opens the "Select List File User Mapping" window in which the mapping table can be selected (see "User Mapping" on page 286). The button is only available if modulation type "USER" is selected.

The button "File Manager" calls the "File Manager" menu. The "File" "Manager" menu is used to display and delete files.

### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:MLISt:SELect on page 581
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:MLISt:CATalog on page 573
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:MLISt:DELete on page 580
```

## **ASK Depth - Digital Modulation**

Sets the modulation depth m for ASK modulation.

```
m = (Amplitude_{max}-Amplitude_{min}) / (Amplitude_{max}+Amplitude_{min})
```

### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:ASK:DEPTh on page 566
```

### **FSK Deviation - Digital Modulation**

Sets the frequency deviation for FSK modulation. The range of values depends on the chosen symbol rate (see data sheet).

Whenever "MSK" is selected, the deviation corresponds to 1/4 of the symbol rate and cannot be set.

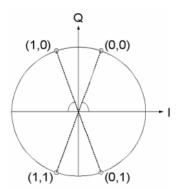
#### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:FSK:DEViation on page 568
```

#### Angle Alpha

For AQPSK modulation, sets the angle alpha between the point (0,0) and the I axis.

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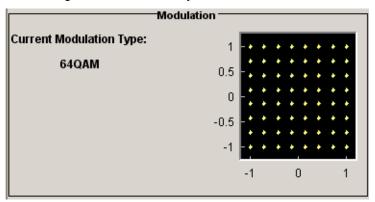


### SCPI command:

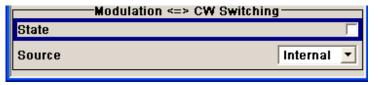
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:AQPSk:ANGLe on page 566

## More - Modulation Type - Digital Modulation

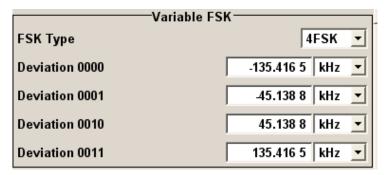
Calls the submenu which displays the mapping of the currently selected modulation type and the digital modulation delay in the case of an external data source.



The "Modulation - CW Switching" section can be used to enable switching of the signal between modulated and unmodulated.



In case of selection "Variable FSK", the FSK type and the deviation for each symbols is set in the "Variable FSK" section.



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### **FSK Type - Digital Modulation**

(Variable FSK only)

Selects the FSK modulation type for selection "Variable FSK".

You may choose from 4FSK, 8FSK and 16FSK.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:FSK:VARiable:TYPE on page 568

# **Deviation xxxx - Digital Modulation**

(Variable FSK only)

Set the deviation of the associated symbol. The number of symbols depends on the selected modulation type. The value of each symbol is indicated in binary format.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:FSK:VARiable:SYMBol<ch>:DEViation on page 568

## **Modulation Delay - Digital Modulation**

(Data Source ext serial only)

Displays the digital modulation delay from the data input to the I/Q output.

The value is displayed only if an external synchronous data source is selected. In this case the value represents the delay between the active clock edge for data and the corresponding peak I/Q value (associated with this data item) on the I/Q connectors.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:MDELay on page 569

## **Current Modulation Type - Digital Modulation**

Displays the currently selected modulation type together with its associated mapping. SCPI command:

n.a.

### **Modulation - CW Switching**

The "Modulation <=> CW Switching" section is used to enable switching the signal between modulated and unmodulated.

# State Mod - CW - Digital Modulation

Enables switching between a modulated and an unmodulated signal.

Switching is carried out by a control signal (CW) that is defined internally in the control list or supplied from an external source via a user-defined input.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:SWITching:STATe on page 552

# Source Mod - CW - Digital Modulation

Selects the CW control signal for switching between a modulated and an unmodulated signal.

"Internal" The CW signal in the control list is used for the control.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:SWITching:SOURce on page 552

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#### **Filter**

The filter is set in the Filter section.

### Filter - Digital Modulation

Selects the baseband filter (see chapter 5.8.3.4, "Baseband Filter - Custom Digital Mod", on page 290).

#### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:FILTer:TYPE on page 565
```

## **Filter Parameter - Digital Modulation**

Sets the filter parameter.

The filter parameter offered ("Roll Off Factor" or "B x T") depends on the currently selected filter type.

#### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:FILTer:PARameter:APCO25 on page 564
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:FILTer:PARameter:COSine[:ROLLoff] on page 564
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:FILTer:PARameter:GAUSs on page 564
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:FILTer:PARameter:PGAuss on page 564
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:FILTer:PARameter:RCOSine on page 564
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:FILTer:PARameter:RCOSine on page 564
```

## **Cut Off Frequency Factor - Digital Modulation**

(available for filter parameter Lowpass and APCO25 (LSM) only)

Sets the value for the cut off frequency factor. The cut off frequency of the filter can be adjusted to reach spectrum mask requirements.

#### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:FILTer:PARameter:LPASs on page 564
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:FILTer:PARameter:LPASSEVM on page 564
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:FILTer:PARameter:APCO25Lsm:GAUSs on page 565
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:FILTer:PARameter:APCO25Lsm:LOWPass on page 565
```

### **Bandwidth - Digital Modulation**

Determines the bandwidth of the cosine filter, so that the function H(f) = 0 is fulfilled for f >= (1+RollOff)\*Bandwidth/2.

# SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:FILTer:PARameter:COSine:BANDwidth on page 565
```

#### **Oversampling - Digital Modulation**

Determines the upsampling factor. If the check box is activated, the most sensible parameter values are selected. The value depends on the coherence check. If the check box is deactivated, the values can be changed manually.

# SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:FILTer:OSAMpling:AUTO on page 563
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:FILTer:OSAMpling on page 563
```

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### More - Filter - Digital Modulation

Calls the menu for displaying the filter characteristic of the currently selected filter.

## **Load User Filter- Filter - Digital Modulation**

Calls the menu "Select List File User Filter" for selecting a user-defined filter file with extansion \*.vaf (see "User filter" on page 292). The button is only available if filter type "USER" is selected.

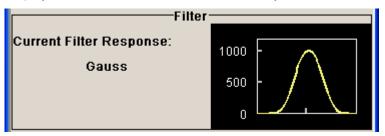
The button "File" "Manager" calls the "File" "Manager" menu. The "File" "Manager" menu is used to display and delete files.

#### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:FLISt:SELect on page 579
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:FLISt:CATalog on page 573
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:FLISt:DELete on page 579
```

## **Current Filter Response**

Displays the filter characteristic of the currently selected filter.



SCPI command:

n.a.

# **Power Ramp**

The lower part of the Custom Digital Modulation menu is used for setting triggers, marker and clocks, as well as for power ramp settings.

# **Power Ramp Control - Digital Modulation**

Calls the power ramp control menu (see "Power Ramp Control" on page 312).

SCPI command:

n.a.

# Trigger/Marker - Digital Modulation

Calls the "Trigger/Marker/Clock" dialog, used to select the trigger source, set the time delay on an external trigger signal and configure the marker output signals.

See "Trigger/Marker/Clock" on page 315.

SCPI command:

n.a.

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### **Execute Trigger - Digital Modulation**

Executes trigger manually. A manual trigger can be executed only when an internal trigger source and a trigger mode other than Auto have been selected.

### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:TRIGger:EXECute on page 555

## **Clock - Digital Modulation**

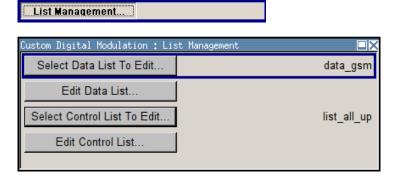
Calls the "Trigger/Marker/Clock" menu. The "Trigger/Marker/Clock" menu is used to select the clock source (see "Clock Settings" on page 321).

SCPI command:

n.a.

#### **List Management**

The "List Management" menu is called from the "Custom Digital Modulation" main menu.



The data and control lists are selected and created in the "File Select" menu which is called up by means of the "Data List..." and "Control List..." buttons.





The "File Manager" is used to copy, rename and delete files and to create directories.

For more information, see chapter 4.7, "File Management", on page 91.

To ensure that the selected data or control list is used for generating the digital signal, the list must be selected as the data source:

Data	Parameter	Selection
Digital data	"Source"	DList
Marker	"Marker Mode"	CList
Control signals CW, Level Attenuation and Burst Gate	"Source"	Internal

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The data editor is called using the "Edit Data List..." and "Edit Control List ..." buttons. The contents of the selected list are displayed.

Operating the list editors is described in chapter 4.5.1, "Working with List Editor", on page 84.

### Select Data/Control List - Digital Modulation

Selects data/control list. This opens the "File Select" window in which the data/control list can be selected.

#### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:DLISt:SELect on page 578
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:CLISt:SELect on page 576
```

# **Create Data/Control List - Digital Modulation**

Creates new data/control list. This opens the "File Select" window in which the data/control list can be created.

The file name has to be entered in field "File Name:". The new list contains no data, it can be edited in the list editor.

## SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:DLISt:SELect on page 578
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:CLISt:SELect on page 576
```

## File Manager - Digital Modulation

Calls the "File Manager".

The "File Manager" is used to copy, delete and rename files and to create new directories.

For detailed description, see chapter 4.7.2, "File Manager", on page 94.

#### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:DLISt:SELect on page 578
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:DLISt:COPY on page 574
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:DLISt:DELete on page 578
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:CLISt:SELect on page 576
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:CLISt:COPY on page 574
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:CLISt:DELete on page 576
```

# **Data List Editor**

The "Data List Editor" for editing the selected data list is called up in the "List Management" submenu of the "Custom Digital Modulation" main menu by means of the "Edit Data List..." button.

See chapter 4.5, "Editors", on page 83 for description on how to use the editor.



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# **Data List Editor**

A list of binary values with a maximum length of 2^31 bits can be entered in the "Data List Editor". This value corresponds to a file size of approx. 268 Mbyte.

To increase readability, the bits are displayed in groups of four. The current cursor position, the length of the list and the list file name are displayed above the list. The offset starts with the value 0 which corresponds to the bit position on the left side of the first row, i.e. the beginning of the list. On the left edge of the editor, the last three offset positions are specified at the beginning of the row.

An existing list can be edited in the insert or overwrite mode.

# SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:DLISt:SELect on page 578
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:DLISt:DATA on page 577
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:DLISt:DATA:APPend on page 577
```

### GoTo ← Data List Editor

Opens the entry window for the bit position. The cursor marks the bit at the selected position.



SCPI command:

n.a.

### Start Select ← Data List Editor

Defines the current cursor position as the start position for the range to be marked. The stop position is defined by entering an offset under "GoTo".

When a start position has been activated, the button will be re-labelled to "Undo Select". When the button is clicked now, the selected range will be deactivated.

SCPI command:

n.a.

# **Copy** ← **Data List Editor**

Copies the selected values.

SCPI command:

n.a.

### **Cut** ← **Data List Editor**

Cuts the selected values.

SCPI command:

n.a.

## Paste ← Data List Editor

Pastes the values that have been copied or cut before.

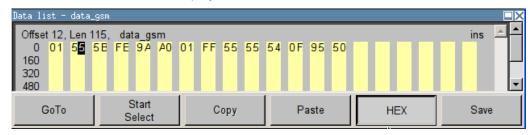
SCPI command:

n.a.

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#### Hex ← Data List Editor

Switchover to hexadecimal display.



Each four bits are displayed as a hexadecimal value: To increase readability, the hexadecimal values in turn are displayed in pairs of two. The hex functions are automatically assigned to the numeric keys at the front panel.

SCPI command:

n.a.

#### Save (Data List) ← Data List Editor

Saves the changes made to the Data List file selected for editing.

SCPI command:

n.a.

#### **Control and Marker List Editor**

The "Control and Marker List Editor" for editing the selected control list is called up in the "List Management" submenu of the "Custom Digital Modulation" main menu by means of the "Edit Control List"... button.



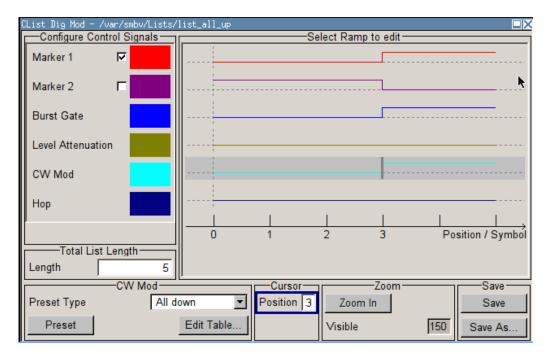
The available marker signals and the CW, Hop, Burst Gate and Level Attenuation control signals can be defined in the "Control and Marker List Editor".



The marker signals defined in the Control and Marker List Editor are activated by selecting the Marker mode "CList" in the "Trigger/Marker/Clock" menu. The control signals have to be activated by selecting an "Internal Source" in the respective setting menu, e.g. the "Power Ramp Control" menu for the Burst Gate and Level Attenuation control signals.

The available marker/control signals are color-coded. In the left "Configure Control Signal" section, each individual signal is assigned a colour; a check in the check box shows the marker for which the "CList" marker type has been selected and the control signal for which the "Internal" source has been selected.

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In the "Select Ramp to Edit" section the signal characteristics are graphically displayed. The scaling of the x-axis is always adapted to the overall length of the control list to provide constant overview of all defined ramps.

The ramps can be assigned the exact bit position in the signal by means of

- The bit scale below the marker/control signal characteristic.
- The display of the current cursor position in the "Cursor" menu section if the cursor marks the ramp.

The ramps can be set either graphically in the "Select Ramp to Edit" section or in the table of the "Positions <Signal>" section in the lower right corner. To make the setting easy, a selection of preset ramp characteristics is offered in the "Preset Ramp <Signal>" section.

### **Edit Control List**

The configuration of the currently selected control list is displayed. This list is either selected in the "File Select" menu ("List Management "submenu by means of the "Control List... "button) or via the remote-control command.

### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:CLISt:SELect on page 576
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:CLISt:DATA on page 575
```

# **Configure Control Signal - Digital Modulation**

Displays the colour the marker/control signal has been assigned.

Displays whether the "CList" marker type has been selected in the Trigger/Marker/Clock menu for this marker.

Displays whether the "Internal" source has been selected for this control signal in the individual setting menu.

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Burst Gate and Level Attenuation are set in the "Power Ramping" submenu, CW in the "Modulation" submenu.

The source "CList/Internal" for the individual marker/control signal can be selected here as well and will then be used in the associated menus.

SCPI command:

n.a.

# Select Ramp to Edit - Digital Modulation

Graphically edit marker/control signals.

For this purpose, the cursor is set to the position where a ramp is required. The ramp is generated by pressing Enter (e.g. clicking on the rotary knob). Any number of ramps can be defined per marker. Each of the generated ramp positions will be saved even if the definition of another ramp produces a low/low or high/high transition. These ramps are displayed as dashed lines.

Existing ramps can be shifted after the cursor has been placed on the ramp and Enter has been pressed - it then changes colour twice. The ramp is shifted by using the cursor keys or the rotary knob. The new position is determined by pressing Enter again.

Ramps can be deleted by means of the BACKSPACE key after the cursor has been placed on the ramp.

For detailed information on how to operate the control and marker list editor, see chapter 4.5.3, "Working with Control and Marker List Editor", on page 87.

SCPI command:

n.a.

#### Total List Length - Digital Modulation

Enters the length of the definition range of the control list in bits. The starting value is always bit 0. The entire definition range is displayed, i.e. the bit scale is adapted to the entry.

With very long control lists, the displayed area can be zoomed around the current cursor position ("Zoom in" button).

The preset functions set the ramp in the center of the currently selected area.

If the definition range is decreased, the ramps outside the range are lost.

When used, the control list is always repeated over the length of the definition range if the length of the data list exceeds the length of the control list.

SCPI command:

n.a.

# **Preset Type - Digital Modulation**

Activates presetting for the ramp characteristic of the selected control signal. The presetting is selected with "Preset Type" and activated by means of the "Preset" button.

You can select from:

"All Up " The marker/control signal is continuously high.

"All Down" The marker/control signal is continuously low.

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"Ramp Up" The marker/control signal contains a ramp from low to high. The ramp

is shifted to the center of the displayed signal area and can subse-

quently be shifted as required.

"Ramp Down" The marker/control signal contains a ramp from high to low. The ramp

is shifted to the center of the displayed signal area and can subse-

quently be shifted as required.

"Ramp Up/ Down" The marker/control signal contains a ramp from low to high and from high to low. The ramps are symmetrically shifted around the center of the displayed signal area and can subsequently be shifted as required.

"Ramp Down/

Up"

The marker/control signal contains a ramp from high to low and from low to high. The ramps are symmetrically shifted around the center of the displayed signal area and can subsequently be shifted as required.

SCPI command:

n.a.

## **Cursor Position - Digital Modulation**

Enters the cursor position.

In the graphic display, the cursor is positioned according to the entry.

Vice versa, graphically shifting the cursor will change the displayed value.

If the entered value exceeds the selected length of the definition range, the length is adjusted automatically.

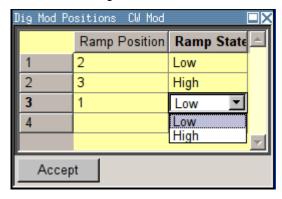
SCPI command:

n.a.

### **Positions Control Signal - Digital Modulation**

Opens table by using the "Edit Table .. "button.

The ramps of the selected signal can be edited in the table. When the table is opened, the current configuration of the selected marker/control signal is displayed.



The bit position is specified in the "Ramp Position" column, the high or low signal status in the "Ramp State" column. At the end of the list, there is always a blank row for entering new values.

The changes are accepted in the graphic display after pressing the "Accept" button.

SCPI command:

n.a.

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#### Zoom/Visible - Digital Modulation

Zooms the displayed area of the control list. The designation of the button changes from "Zoom in" to "Zoom out".

With long control lists, the displayed area can be zoomed around the current "Cursor Position".

Parameter "Visible/Bits Visible" determines the number of symbols/bits to be displayed.

Ramps outside the displayed area are not lost by zooming.

SCPI command:

n.a.

### Save/Save As - Digital Modulation

Pressing the "Save" button saves the changes made to the CList file selected for editing.

Selecting the "Save As" button creates a new control list. This opens the "Create Lists Files Which Name?" window in which the control list can be created.

The file name has to be entered in field "File Name."

SCPI command:

n.a.

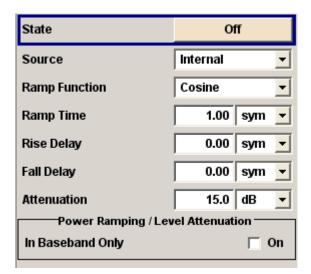
## **Power Ramp Control**

The Power Ramp Control menu is accessed via the "Custom Digital Modulation" main menu.

The menu is used to set the power ramping. Control signals "Burst" and "Lev\_Att" are used to control power ramping (see "Power Ramping and Level Attenuation" on page 280).



Power ramping is possible up to a symbol rate of 5 MHz. If a higher symbol rate is set, power ramping is automatically switched off and an error message is output.



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## State - Power Ramp Control - Digital Modulation

Enables/disables power ramping.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:PRAMp[:STATe] on page 571

### Source - Power Ramp Control - Digital Modulation

Enters the source for the power ramp control signals.

"Internal" The control signals in the internal control list are used for control pur-

poses.

"External Digi- R&S SMBV does not support external source for power ramp control.

tal "

SCPI command:

n.a.

## Ramp Function - Digital Modulation

Enters the form of the transmitted power, i.e. the shape of the rising and falling edges during power ramp control.

"Linear" The transmitted power rises and falls linear fashion.

"Cosine" The transmitted power rises and falls with a cosine-shaped edge. This

gives rise to a more favorable spectrum than the "Linear" setting.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:PRAMp:SHAPe on page 570

### Ramp Time - Digital Modulation

Enters the power ramping rise time and fall time for a burst. The setting is expressed in symbols.

SCPI command:

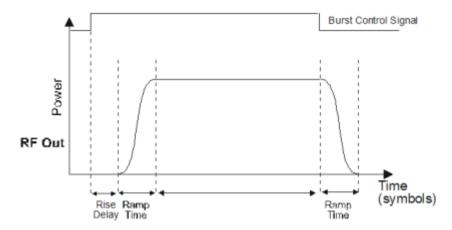
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:PRAMp:TIME on page 571

# Rise Delay - Power Ramp Control - Digital Modulation

Sets the offset in the rising edge of the envelope at the start of a burst.

A positive value gives rise to a delay (the envelope length decreases) and a negative value causes an advance (the envelope length increases). The setting is expressed in symbols.

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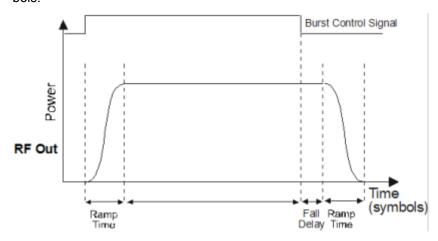
#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:PRAMp:RDELay on page 570

## Fall Delay - Power Ramp Control - Digital Modulation

Sets the offset in the falling edge of the envelope at the end of a burst.

A positive value gives rise to a delay, the envelope length increases and a negative value causes an advance (the envelope length decreases). The setting is expressed in symbols.



#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:PRAMp:FDELay on page 570

## Attenuation - Power Ramp Control - Digital Modulation

Sets the level attenuation relative to the average level for the signal ranges in which the level is set to "attenuated" (LEV\_ATT control signal).

The LEV\_ATT control signal is defined in the "Control Data Editor".

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:PRAMp:ATTenuation on page 569

## Baseband Only - Power Ramp Control - Digital Modulation

Restricts power ramping to the baseband signal.

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"Off" Level attenuation is effected via the attenuator stages in the RF section;

only the remaining part is attenuated in the baseband. The signal is

issued at the RF output with the defined level values.

"On" Level attenuation is effected in the baseband only.

This setting is mandatory in the following cases: When only the baseband signal is issued at the I/Q outputs. It is thus ensured that, with power ramping active, this signal is output with the defined level values.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:PRAMp:BBONly[:STATe] on page 570

# Trigger/Marker/Clock

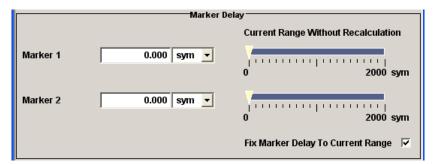
The "Trigger/Marker/Clock" dialogis accessed via the "Custom Digital Modulation" main menu.

The "Trigger In" section is where the trigger for the modulation signal is set. Various parameters will be provided for the settings, depending on which trigger source - internal or external - is selected. The current status of signal generation ("Running" or "Stopped") is indicated for all trigger modes.

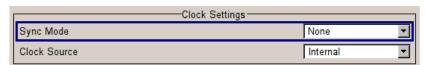
The "Marker Mode" section is where the marker signals at the MARKER output connectors are configured.



The "Marker Delay" section is where a marker signal delay can be defined, either without restriction or restricted to the dynamic section, i.e., the section in which it is possible to make settings without restarting signal and marker generation.



The "Clock Settings" section is where the clock source is selected and - in the case of an external source - the clock type.



The "Global Trigger/Clock Settings" button leads to a submenu for general trigger, clock and external input settings.

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#### Trigger In

The "Trigger In" section is used to configure the trigger signal for the digital modulation. The current status of signal generation is indicated for all trigger modes.

### **Trigger Mode - Digital Modulation**

Selects trigger mode.

"Auto" The digital modulation signal is generated continuously.

"Retrigger" The digital modulation signal is generated continuously. A trigger event

(internal with "Execute Trigger" or external) causes a restart.

"Armed\_Auto" The digital modulation signal is generated only when a trigger event

occurs. Then the digital modulation signal is generated continuously. Button "Arm" stops signal generation. A subsequent trigger event (inter-

nal with "Execute Trigger" or external) causes a restart.

"Armed\_Ret-rigger"

The digital modulation signal is generated only when a trigger event occurs. Then the signal is generated continuously. Every subsequent trigger event (internal with "Execute Trigger" or external) causes a

etart

The button "Arm" stops signal generation. A subsequent trigger event

(internal with "Execute Trigger" or external) causes a restart.

"Single" The digital modulation signal is generated only when a trigger event

occurs. Then the signal is generated once to the length specified at "Signal Duration". Every subsequent trigger event (internal with "Exe-

cute Trigger" or external) causes a restart.

### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM[:TRIGger]:SEQuence on page 559

# **Trigger Signal Duration - Digital Modulation**

Enters the length of the signal sequence to be output in the "Single" trigger mode. The input is to be expressed in symbols.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:TRIGger:SLENgth on page 558

### **Running - Stopped - Digital Modulation**

Displays the status of signal generation for all trigger modes. This display appears only when Custom Dig Mod is enabled (State On).

"Running" The digital modulation signal is generated; a trigger was (internally or

externally) initiated in triggered mode.

If Armed\_Auto and Armed\_Retrigger have been selected, generation of signals can be stopped with the "Arm" button. A new trigger (internally

with "Execute Trigger" or externally) causes a restart.

"Stopped" The signal is not generated, and the instrument waits for a trigger event

(internal or external).

# SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:TRIGger:RMODe on page 557

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### **Arm - Digital Modulation**

Stops signal generation. This button appears only with "Running" signal generation in the "Armed\_Auto" and "Armed\_Retrigger" trigger modes.

Signal generation can be restarted by a new trigger (internally with "Execute Trigger" or externally).

### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:TRIGger:ARM:EXECute on page 554

## **Execute Trigger - Digital Modulation**

Executes trigger manually. A manual trigger can be executed only when an internal trigger source and a trigger mode other than "Auto" have been selected.

### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:TRIGger:EXECute on page 555

## **Trigger Source - Digital Modulation**

Selects trigger source.

"Internal" The trigger event is executed by "Execute Trigger". As a precondition

a trigger mode other than "Auto" must be selected.

"External (TRIGGER)" The trigger event is executed with the aid of the active edge of an external trigger signal. The trigger signal is supplied via the TRIGGER con-

nector.

The polarity, the trigger threshold and the input impedance of the TRIG-GER input can be set in the GLOBAL TRIGGER SETTINGS menu.

## SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:TRIGger:SOURce on page 558

## Sync. Output to External Trigger

(enabled for "Trigger Source" External)

Enables/disables output of the signal synchronous to the external trigger event.

For or two or more R&S SMBVs configured to work in a master-slave mode for synchronous signal generation, configure this parameter depending on the provided system trigger event and the properties of the output signal. See table 5-9 for an overview of the required settings.

Table 5-9: Typical Applications

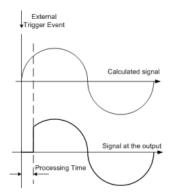
System Trigger	Application	Sync. Output to External Trigger
Common External Trigger event	All instruments are synchronous to the external trigger event	ON
for the master and the slave instruments	All instruments are synchronous among themselves but starting the signal from first symbol is more important than synchronicity with external trigger event	OFF
Internal trigger signal of the master R&S SMBV for the slave instruments	All instruments are synchronous among themselves	OFF

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"On"

Corresponds to the default state of this parameter.

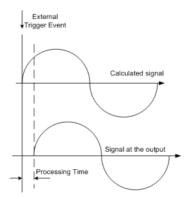
The signal calculation starts simultaneously with the external trigger event but because of the instrument's processing time the first samples are cut off and no signal is outputted. After elapsing of the internal processing time, the output signal is synchronous to the trigger event.



"Off"

The signal output begins after elapsing of the processing time and starts with sample 0, i.e. the complete signal is outputted.

This mode is recommended for triggering of short signal sequences with signal duration comparable with the processing time of the instrument.



#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:TRIGger:EXTernal:SYNChronize:OUTPut
on page 555

# **External Delay - Digital Modulation**

Sets trigger signal delay in symbols on external triggering.

This enables the R&S SMBV to be synchronized with the device under test or other external devices.

## SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:TRIGger[:EXTernal<ch>]:DELay on page 559

#### **External Inhibit - Digital Modulation**

(available on external triggering)

Sets the duration for inhibiting a new trigger event subsequent to triggering. The input is to be expressed in symbols.

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In the "Retrigger" mode every trigger signal causes signal generation to restart. This restart is inhibited for the specified number of samples.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:TRIGger[:EXTernal<ch>]:INHibit on page 559

#### **Marker Mode**

The marker output signal for synchronizing external instruments is configured in the Marker Settings section "Marker Mode".

## Marker x - Digital Modulation

Selects a marker signal for the associated MARKER output.

"CList" A marker signal that is defined in the selected control list is generated.

"Pulse"

A regular marker signal is generated. The clock frequency is defined by entering a divider. The frequency is derived by dividing the sample rate by the divider. The input box for the divider opens when "Pulse "is selected, and the resulting pulse frequency is displayed below it.



#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:PULSe:DIVider on page 562

"Pattern"

A marker signal that is defined by a bit "pattern" is generated. The "pattern" has a maximum length of 64 bits and is defined in an input field which opens when "pattern" is selected.

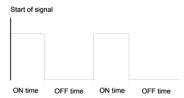


#### SCPI command:

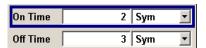
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:PATTern on page 562

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"ON/OFF ratio" A regular marker signal that is defined by an ON/OFF ratio is generated. A period lasts one ON and OFF cycle.



The ON time and OFF time are each expressed as a number of symbols and are set in an input field which opens when "ON/OFF ratio" is selected.



## SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:OFFTime on page 561
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:ONTime on page 561
```

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:MODE on page 560

#### Marker Delay

The "Marker Delay" section can be used to set a delay for the markers.

## Marker x Delay - Digital Modulation

Enters the delay between the marker signal at the marker outputs and the start of the signal.

The input is expressed as a number of symbols.

If the setting "Fix marker delay to dynamic range" is enabled, the setting range is restricted to the dynamic range. In this range the delay of the marker signals can be set without restarting the marker and signal.

The allocation of marker signals to the outputs is described in the section chapter 5.8.2.7, "Marker Output Signals", on page 282.

#### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:DELay on page 556
```

# **Current Range without Recalculation - Digital Modulation**

Displays the dynamic range within which the delay of the marker signals can be set without restarting the marker and signal.

The delay can be defined by moving the setting mark.

### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:DELay:MAXimum on page 557
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:DELay:MINimum on page 557
```

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### Fix marker delay to current range - Digital Modulation

Restricts the marker delay setting range to the dynamic range. In this range the delay can be set without restarting the marker and signal.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:TRIGger:OUTPut:DELay:FIXed on page 556

### **Clock Settings**

The clock source is selected in the Clock Settings section.

### Sync. Mode - Digital Modulation

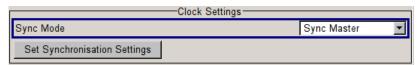
Selects the synchronization mode.

This parameter is used to enable generation of very precise synchronous signal of several connected R&S SMBVs.

**Note:** If several instruments are connected, the connecting cables from the master instrument to the slave one and between each two consecutive slave instruments must have the same length and type. Avoid unnecessary cable length and branching points.

"None" The instrument is working in stand-alone mode.

"Sync. Master" The instrument provides all connected instrument with its synchronisation (including the trigger signal) and reference clock signal.



"Sync. Slave"

The instrument receives the synchronisation and reference clock signal from another instrument working in a master mode.



### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:CLOCk:SYNChronization:MODE on page 553

# **Set Synchronization Settings - Digital Modulation**

Performs automatically adjustment of the instrument's settings required for the synchronization mode, selected with the parameter "Synchronization Mode" (see chapter 5.8.2.4, "Synchronous Signal Generation", on page 277).

The status of the external clock source is displayed with the parameter "Synchronisation State".

### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:CLOCk:SYNChronization:EXEcute on page 554

# **Clock Source - Digital Modulation**

Selects the clock source (also see section "Clock Signals", page 2).

"Internal" The internal clock reference is used.

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"External" The external clock reference is fed in as the symbol clock via the REF

IN connector.

While working in master-slave synchroniuos mode, an external clock source has to be selected for the slave-instrument(s) and the CLOCK IN connector has to be connecter to the CLOCK OUT connector of the master instrument.

This allows the slave instrument(s) to synchronise its clock to the system clock of the master instrument.

The chip rate must be correctly set to an accuracy of (± 2% (see data

The polarity of the clock input can be changed with the aid of "Global Trigger/Clock/External Input "Settings.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:CLOCk:SOURce on page 553

### **Clock Mode - Digital Modulation**

Enters the type of externally supplied clock.

"Symbol" A symbol clock is supplied via the CLOCK connector.

"Multiple Symbol"

A multiple of the symbol clock is supplied via the CLOCK connector,

the symbol clock is derived internally from this.

The "Multiplier" window provided allows the multiplication factor to be

entered.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:CLOCk:MODE on page 552

## **Symbol Clock Multiplier - Digital Modulation**

Enters the multiplication factor for clock type "Multiple".

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:CLOCk:MULTiplier on page 553

#### **Measured External Clock**

Displays the measured frequency of the external clock signal. This enables the user to permanently monitor the frequency of the externally introduced clock.

This information is displayed only if the external clock source has been selected.

#### SCPI command:

:CLOCk: INPut: FREQuency on page 459

#### **Synchronisation State**

For instruments working in slave synchronization mode, this parameter displays the status of the external clock source, i.e. whether the external clock source of the slave instrument is synchronized or not synchronized yet.

# SCPI command:

n.a.

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### Global Trigger/Clock/Input Settings - Digital Modulation

Calls the "Global Trigger/Clock/Input Settings" menu. This menu is used among other things for setting the trigger threshold, the input impedance and the polarity of the clock and trigger inputs.

The parameters in this menu affect all digital modulations and standards, and are described in the chapter 5.2.3.12, "Global Trigger/Clock/External Input Settings", on page 121.

SCPI command:

n.a.

# 5.8.4 Arbitrary Waveform Generator ARB

The Arbitrary Waveform Generator (ARB) is an I/Q modulation source forming an integral part of the R&S Signal Generator. It can be used to output any externally calculated modulation signals or internally generated multi carrier signals or waveform files.

The Arbitrary Waveform Generator is available for instruments equipped with option Baseband Generator (R&S SMBV-B10) or with any of the ARB only options (R&S SMBV-B50/B51).

The three Baseband Generator options feature different ARB memory sizes (see data sheet). Apart from the memory size, however, the three options offer the same functionality, either one can be installed.

### Sources for waveform files

The R&S Signal Generator can generate ARB waveforms internally. The ARB generator enables the calculation and the generation of multi segment and mutli carrier waveform files. Several digital standards provide the special function "Generate Waveform File" and enable the calculation and storage of the signal as a waveform file that can be afterwards processed by the ARB generator.

The ARB can also process externally generated waveform files, e.g. the waveform files generated on a PC by the Windows software package R&S WinIQSIM2 or signals calculated using a mathematical program such as Matlab. For more information, see Application Note 1MA28, "IQWizard - I/Q Signal Measurement and Conversion", which can be obtained from the Rohde&Schwarz web site at <a href="http://www.rohde-schwarz.com">http://www.rohde-schwarz.com</a>.

The externally generated waveform files can be loaded into the instrument via one of the available interfaces (USB, LAN or GPIB).

# Multi segment and multi carrier waveforms

To fulfill the requirements of some test systems and to enable rapid alternation between different waveforms with differing test signals, the R&S Signal Generator provides the functionality to generate multi segment waveform files. A multi segment waveform is a combination of multiple waveforms called segments. Each segment represents a completely independent waveform that can be output with its own marker and clock settings. The entire multi segment waveform is loaded into memory. The segment intended to be output at any given moment can be selected by the user. It is therefore possible to alter-

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nate between the individual waveform segments without experiencing any delay due to the loading operation.

There are however additionally requirements conserning the clock settings if some special triggering is necessary.

If very high switchover speeds are required, the test signals can be continuously scrolled through with the aid of an external trigger or by applying a predefined "play list". For this purpose the segments must have a common sample rate. If the combined waveforms have different sample rates, they can be adapted to a common sample rate by resampling. By the same procedure the instantaneous amplitude of the various waveforms can be scaled to a common RMS level.

Typical applications for the multi segment mode are described in the section "Typical Applications for Multi Segment Waveforms" on page 358.

Multi carrier waveforms consisting of up to 512 carriers modulated by user-selectable baseband signals can be created in order to simulate complex multi carrier scenarios with different baseband signals (e.g. CDMA2000 or 3GPP FDD).

## Waveform sample rate

The Arbitrary Waveform Generator includes a resampling unit that interpolates the input samples to reach a target digital output I/Q sample rate before digital-to-analog conversion (DAC). The input sample rate finput is given by the default sample rate tag of the waveform file or is set by the user in the ARB panel.

Depending on the hardware option R&S SMBV-B10/B50 or –B51 a 150 MHz or 90 MHz system clock rate is used.

The resampling lowpass limits the signal bandwidth to a maximum of  $1.36 \text{ x f}_{input}$ . Within a bandwidth of  $0.68 \text{ x f}_{input}$  the resampler lowpass is distortion-free. Thus, an externally created waveform file have to provide a sample rate  $f_{input}$  that is high enough for perfect signal reconstruction.

For distortion-free resampling the lower bound of the required sample rate finput is calculated by:

f<sub>input</sub> ≥ Signal bandwidth / 0.68

In case of digital modulation this means that the oversampling factor ( $f_{input}$  =symbol rate x oversampling factor) that is applied for impulse forming is high enough.

The lower bound of the oversampling factor is given by:

oversampling factor ≥ signal bandwidth / (symbol rate x 0.68)

## **Example:**

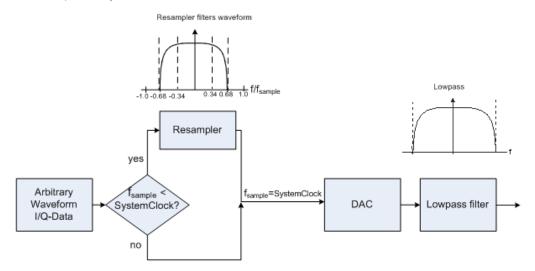
For the WCDMA standard 3GPP FDD with root raised cosine filter ( $\alpha$  = 0.22) and a symbol rate (chip rate) of 3.84 MHz the minimum oversampling factor is calculated as follow:

 $3.84 \text{ MHz} \times (1+0.22) / (3.84 \text{ MHz} \times 0.68) = 1.794$ 

A modulation signal with a sample rate of 150 or 90 MHz respectively is passed directly to the digital-to-analog converter (DAC), i.e. the resampling unit is bypassed (see figure

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below). After the DAC the signal is finally limited to a maximum bandwidth of 120 or 60 MHz respectively.



Waveforms generated by the R&S WinIQSIM2 software can be optimized by choosing a suitable integer oversampling factor.

In comparison with conventional ARB generators that often assume oversampling factors of 4, the ARB generator of the R&S Signal Generator requires low oversampling factors (see the example above), but still providing excellent signal quality in terms of EVM and ACP.

A reduced sample rate saves significantly the amount of memory or allows an increased signal cycle time, vice versa.

## Dependency between the number of marker signals and the waveform length

The R&S Signal Gererator provides the possibility to define marker signals, that are sent to the marker outputs in synchronicity with the I/Q output signals. Marker singals can be either predefined or subsequently defined; marker setting such as delay can be adjusted in the corresponding Trigger/Marker/Clock Settings dialog.

The I/Q data and marker data are located in separate memory areas of the SDRAM and can be independently configured wheras each marker signal requires one bit of the available memory size. In some cases, it might be usefull to generate a modulatition signal without additional marker signal in order to increase the maximum waveform lengt.

The example below explains the dependency between the number of enabled marker signals, the available memory size and the resulting waveform length.

The calculation for an instrument equipped with option R&S SMBV-B10 is as follow:

Memory	Size	128 MB
Requred	for I/Q data	2 x 16 bits = 32 bits (16 bits per I/Q channel)
Memory	for 2 enabled markers	2 x 1 bit = 2 bits
Size	total	32 + 2 = 34 bits = 4.25 bytes

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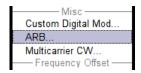
Memory	Size	128 MB
Waveform	Length (with 2 markers)	128 MB / 4.25 bytes (30 MSamples
Maximal	Waveform Length	128 MB / 4 bytes = 32 MSamples

Hence a memory size of 128 MB yields a maximum waveform length of 30 MSamples if two markes are enabled. The maximum waveform length increases to 32 MSamples if the internal hardware markers are used, and the complete memory is available for I/Q data.

The minimum length of a waveform is 512 samples. If a waveform is shorter than this, it is automatically repeated until it reaches the minimum length.

#### 5.8.4.1 ARB User Interface

To access the ARB dialog, select "Baseband > ARB" or use the MENU key under "Baseband".



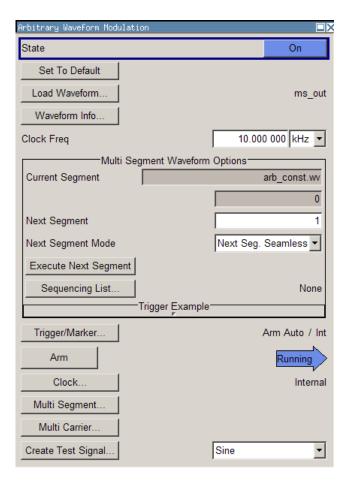
The "ARB" dialog is divided into an upper and a lower general part together with a "Marker" section.

The upper part of the menu is used for powering up, selecting and configuring ARB modulation.

The section "Multi Segment Waveform Options" is only indicated if a multi segment waveform is loaded. In this part, the segment to be output is selected.

The buttons in the lower part of the menu open submenus for setting triggers and clocks, for configuring the test signal and for calculating a multi segment waveform or a multi carrier waveform.

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#### **ARB MOD Main Menu**

The upper part of the menu is used for powering up, selecting and configuring ARB modulation.

The lower part of the menu is used for setting triggers and clocks, as well as for file management. Test signals can be output for test purposes.

# **Multi Segment Waveform Options**

The section "Multi Segment Waveform Options" of the menu is only displayed if a multi segment waveform is loaded.

The section comprises the settings necessary to adjust the trigger for the switch between the segments of a multi segment waveform. The parameters displayed depend on the selected trigger source.

The parameters in this sections are identical with the parameters in the section "Next Segment Trigger In" in the "Trigger/Marker" dialog; for detailed information see "Next Segment Trigger In" on page 336.

# State (ARB)

Enables/disables ARB modulation.

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Switching on this standard turns off all the other digital standards and digital modulation types.

The output is based on the waveform file that is loaded. The name of the waveform file is displayed next to "Load Waveform".

If a multi segment waveform is loaded the section "Multi Segment Waveform Options" is indicated. In this section, the segment to be output is selected.

If no waveform file is loaded, ARB modulation cannot be powered up. "None" will be displayed next to "Load Waveform". An error message asks the user to load a waveform file:

"No waveform file loaded. ARB MOD state remains off. Please select a waveform file to load, before switching ARB MOD state on."

### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:STATe on page 505

#### **Set To Default**

Calls default settings. The values are shown in the table 5-10.

#### Table 5-10: Default Settings

Parameter	Value
State	Off
Clock Freq.	1 MHz
Trigger Mode	Auto
Trigger Source	Internal
Marker State	Off
Marker Mode	Unchanged
Clock Source	Internal

# SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:PRESet on page 505

#### **Load Waveform**

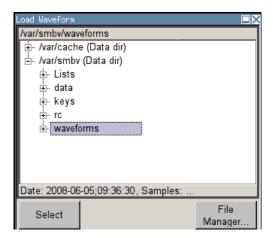
Calls the "File Select "menu for loading the waveform file.

The files last used are listed in the "Recent Data Sets" section. The directory can be selected from the center left section. All waveform files (file extension  $\star$  . wv) available from the selected directory are listed on the right side. The file info (tag contents and multi segment state) for the selected file is displayed below the file section.

The "Select..." button selects the marked file. This file is loaded when the ARB modulation is enabled ("State On").

The "File Manager..." button leads to the file manager.

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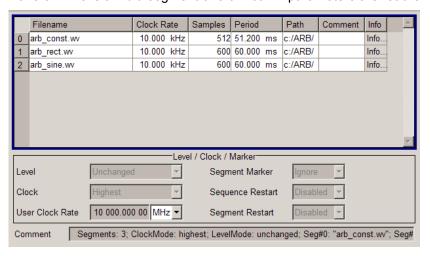
#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WAVeform:SELect on page 538

#### **Waveform Info**

Opens a dialog with detailed information about the currently selected waveform.

The waveform information displayed in this dialog depends on whether the selected waveform file is a multi segment one or not. All parameters are read-only.



For non-multi segment waveform files, the values of the settings can be queried by means of the Tag commands (see chapter 7.3, "R&S Signal Generator Waveform and List Format", on page 439).

SCPI command:

n.a.

# **Clock Frequency**

Displays or enters the ARB output clock rate.

When the waveform file is loaded, this value is automatically set to the clock rate defined in the file (Clock tag). The user can subsequently alter the value if necessary.

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When intending to work with an external clock source, the frequency to be applied must be entered here.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:CLOCk on page 506

### Trigger/Marker

Calls the Trigger and Marker menu.

This menu is used to select the trigger source, set the time delay on an external trigger signal and configure the marker output signals (see "Trigger/Marker/Clock Settings" on page 331).

SCPI command:

n.a.

### **Execute Trigger**

Executes trigger manually. A manual trigger can be executed only when an internal trigger source and a trigger mode other than Auto are selected.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TRIGger:EXECute on page 509

#### Clock

Calls the "Clock" menu. The "Clock" menu is used to select the clock source (see "Clock Settings" on page 343).

SCPI command:

n.a.

### Create Test Signal...

Selects the form of the test signal and calls the menu for generating it. A sinusoidal, rectangular or test signal with constant I/Q can be selected.

See the corresponding section for detailed description of the parameters for the selected test signal:

- "Sine Test Signals" on page 345
- "Rect Test Signal" on page 346
- "Const IQ Test Signal" on page 347

SCPI command:

n.a.

### **Multi Segment**

Calls the menu for calculating multi segment waveforms (see chapter 5.8.4.2, "Multi Segment Waveforms", on page 348).

SCPI command:

n.a.

### **Multi Carrier**

Calls the menu for calculating multi carrier waveforms (see chapter 5.8.4.3, "Multi Carrier Waveforms", on page 359).

SCPI command:

n.a.

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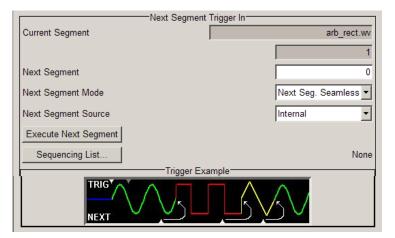
# Trigger/Marker/Clock Settings

To access this dialog, select "Main Menu > Trigger/Marker".

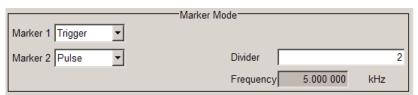
The "Trigger In" section is where the trigger for the signal is set. Various parameters will be provided for the settings, depending on which trigger source - internal or external - is selected. The current status of signal generation ("Running" or "Stopped") is indicated for all trigger modes.



The "Next Segmet Trigger In" is where the segment triggering is configured. This section is enabled only for multi segment waferoms.

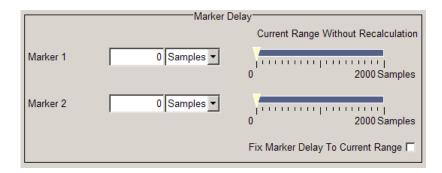


The "Marker Mode" section is where the marker signals at the MARKER output connectors are configured.



The "Marker Delay" section is where a marker signal delay can be defined, either without restriction or restricted to the dynamic section, i.e., the section in which it is possible to make settings without restarting signal and marker generation.

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The "Clock Settings" section is where the clock source is selected and - in the case of an external source - the clock type.



The buttons in the last section lead to submenu for general trigger, clock and mapping settings.



## Trigger In

The "Trigger In" section is where the trigger for the signal is set. Various parameters will be provided for the settings, depending on which trigger source - internal or external - is selected. The current status of signal generation ("Running" or "Stopped") is indicated for all trigger modes.

## **Trigger Mode**

Selects trigger mode.

The trigger mode determines the effect of a trigger on the signal generation.

"Auto" The signal is generated continuously.

"Retrigger" The signal is generated continuously. A trigger event (internal or exter-

nal) causes a restart.

"Armed Auto" The signal is generated only when a trigger event occurs. Then the

signal is generated continuously.

Button "Arm" stops signal generation. A subsequent trigger event (inter-

nal with "Execute Trigger" or external) causes a restart.

"Armed\_Ret-rigger"

The signal is generated only when a trigger event occurs. Then the signal is generated continuously. Every subsequent trigger event cau-

ses a restart.

Button "Arm" stops signal generation. A subsequent trigger event (inter-

nal with "Execute Trigger" or external) causes a restart.

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"Single"

The signal is generated only when a trigger event occurs. Then the signal is generated once to the length specified at "Signal Duration". Every subsequent trigger event (internal with "Execute Trigger" or external) causes a restart.

#### SCPI command:

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[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB[:TRIGger]:SEQuence on page 514
```

### **Signal Duration Unit**

Defines the unit for the entry of the length of the signal sequence to be output in the "Single" trigger mode.

#### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TRIGger:SLUNit on page 512
```

### **Signal Duration**

Defines the length of the signal sequence to be output in the "Single" trigger mode. The unit of the entry is defined under "Signal Duration Unit". It is then possible to output deliberately just part of the signal, an exact sequence of the signal, or a defined number of repetitions of the signal.

#### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TRIGger:SLENgth on page 512
```

### Running/Stopped

Displays the status of signal generation for all trigger modes. This display appears only when signal generation is enabled ("State" On).

"Running"

The waveform is output; a trigger was (internally or externally) initiated

in triggered mode.

If "Armed\_Auto" and "Armed\_Retrigger" have been selected, generation of signals can be stopped with the "Arm" button. A new trigger (internally with "Execute Trigger" or externally) causes a restart.

"Stopped"

The Waveform output is stopped. The instrument waits for an internal or external trigger event to restart. ARB modulation is disabled (State

Off).

# SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TRIGger:RMODe on page 511
```

# Arm

Stops waveform output. This button appears only with "Running" signal generation in the "Armed\_Auto" and "Armed\_Retrigger" trigger modes.

Signal output can be restarted by a new trigger (internally with "Execute Trigger" or externally).

### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TRIGger:ARM:EXECute on page 509
```

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### **Execute Trigger**

Executes trigger manually. A manual trigger can be executed only when an internal trigger source and a trigger mode other than "Auto" have been selected.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TRIGger:EXECute on page 509

### **Trigger Source**

Selects trigger source. This setting is effective only when a trigger mode other than "Auto" has been selected.

"Internal" The trigger event is executed by "Execute Trigger".

"External The trigger event is executed with the aid of the active edge of an exter-

(TRIGGER 1 / nal trigger signal.

2)" The trigger signal is supplied via the TRIGGER connector.

The polarity, the trigger threshold and the input impedance of the TRIGGER input can be set in the "Global Trigger/Clock Settings" dialog.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TRIGger:SOURce on page 513

## Sync. Output to External Trigger

(enabled for "Trigger Source" External)

Enables/disables output of the signal synchronous to the external trigger event.

For R&S SMBV instruments:

For or two or more R&S SMBVs configured to work in a master-slave mode for synchronous signal generation, configure this parameter depending on the provided system trigger event and the properties of the output signal. See table 5-11 for an overview of the required settings.

Table 5-11: Typical Applications

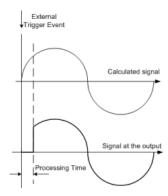
System Trigger	Application	"Sync. Output to External Trigger"
Common External Trigger event for the master and the slave instruments	All instruments are synchronous to the external trigger event	ON
	All instruments are synchronous among themselves but starting the signal from first symbol is more important than synchronicity with external trigger event	OFF
Internal trigger signal of the master R&S SMBV for the slave instruments	All instruments are synchronous among themselves	OFF

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"On"

Corresponds to the default state of this parameter.

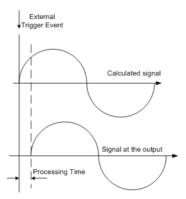
The signal calculation starts simultaneously with the external trigger event but because of the instrument's processing time the first samples are cut off and no signal is outputted. After elapsing of the internal processing time, the output signal is synchronous to the trigger event.



"Off"

The signal output begins after elapsing of the processing time and starts with sample 0, i.e. the complete signal is outputted.

This mode is recommended for triggering of short signal sequences with signal duration comparable with the processing time of the instrument.



#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TRIGger:EXTernal:SYNChronize:OUTPut
on page 509

#### **Trigger Delay**

Sets the trigger signal delay in samples on external triggering or on internal triggering via the second path.

Sets the trigger signal delay in samples on external triggering.

This enables the R&S Signal Generator to be synchronized with the device under test or other external devices.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TRIGger[:EXTernal<1|2>]:DELay on page 514

#### **Trigger Inhibit**

Sets the duration for inhibiting a new trigger event subsequent to triggering. The input is to be expressed in samples.

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In the "Retrigger" mode, every trigger signal causes signal generation to restart. This restart is inhibited for the specified number of samples.

This parameter is only available on external triggering.

#### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TRIGger[:EXTernal<1|2>]:INHibit on page 514
```

## **Next Segment Trigger In**

The section "Next Segment Trigger" In of the menu is only displayed if a multi segment waveform is loaded.

The section comprises the settings necessary to adjust the trigger for the switch between the segments of a multi segment waveform. The parameters displayed depend on the selected trigger source.

### **Current Segment**

Indication of the waveform segment (segment file name and index) that is currently output.

### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WSEGment on page 539
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WSEGment:NAME on page 546
```

#### **Next Segment**

Selects the waveform segment to be output next. It determines the start segment when switching on the ARB and enables switchover to any other segment.

The switchover is performed either after receiving an external next segment trigger event or, for the internal trigger case, by changing the segment index in the "Next Segment" field. The definition whether the new segment is generated immediately or only after the previous segment has been fully generated (wrap around) is determined by the parameter Next Segment Mode.

The segment currently being output (segment index and file name) is displayed at "Current Segment". The subsequent trigger event after the last segment causes the first segment to be output again.

# SCPI command:

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[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WSEGment:NEXT on page 546
```

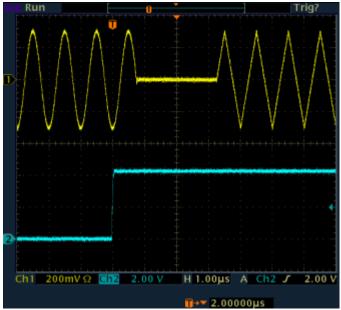
#### **Next Segment Mode**

Sets the segmented trigger mode of a multi segment waveform, i.e. defines the way the **switch over between the segments** in a multi segment waveform will be executed:

- In "Same Segment" mode, the processing of the multi segment waveform file is similar to the processing of a non-multi segment waveform, i.e. there is no switching to consequtive segment the upon receiving of a trigger event.
   Switching between the segments is triggerd by changing the segment index in the
- "Next Segment" field.
  When "Next Segment" is selected, the current segment ceases to be output as soon as a trigger event for a new segment occurs, and the new segment starts to be output after a system-imposed signal gap.

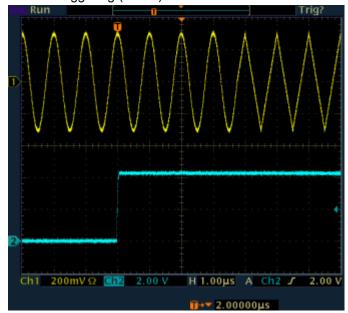
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The following figure shows an example of the transition from a sinewave signal segment to a sawtooth segment (I channel, above) in the case of next segment external triggering (below).



 When "Next Segment" Seamless is selected and a new segment trigger event occurs, the new segment is not output until the whole of the current segment has been output (wrap around). In this case the signal transition is seamless. As a prerequisite for a seamless switchover, all segments must have the same sample rate.

The following figure shows an example of the seamless transition from a sinewave signal segment to a sawtooth segment (I channel, above) in the case of next segment external triggering (below).



The regular trigger mode for starting the waveform generation and **triggering the whole multi segment sequence** is set with the parameters in the "Trigger In" section of the "Trigger/Marker/Clock" dialog.

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The segment currently being output is displayed at "Current Segment".

The "Trigger Example" graph displays schematically the waveform output, depending on the activated trigger and the next segment settings.

"Same Segment" Depending on the trigger setting, the currently selected segment is continuously output either immediately or after a trigger event.

Signal generation takes place differently according to the trigger selected in the "Trigger In" section:

- In the case of "Trigger = Auto", output starts at once and the segment is generated continuously. Trigger events are ignored.
   If the segment is changed in "Next Segment", output of the current segment is stopped and the new segment is output immediately, following a system-imposed signal gap (see above).
- In the case of "Trigger = Armed\_Auto", output starts after the first trigger event. The segment is then generated continuously. Further trigger events are ignored.
   If the segment is changed in "Next Segment", signal output is stopped and the new segment is not output until a trigger occurs.
- In the case of "Trigger = Retrigger", output starts at once and the segment is generated continuously, a trigger event causes a restart.
   If the segment is changed in "Next Segment", output of the current segment is stopped and the new segment is output immediately, following a system-imposed signal gap (see above).
- In the case of "Trigger = Armed\_Retrigger", output starts after the
  first trigger event. The segment is then generated continuously.
  Further trigger events cause a restart.
  If the segment is changed in "Next Segment", signal output is stopped and the new segment is not output until a trigger occurs.
- In the case of "Trigger = Single", output starts after the first trigger event. The segment is then generated once. Further trigger events cause a restart.
  - If the segment is changed in "Next Segment", signal output is not stopped. The new segment is not output until a trigger occurs.

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"Next Segment" Depending on the trigger setting, the segment selected under "Next Segment" is output either immediately or after a trigger event.

- In the case of "internal Trigger = Auto", output starts at once and the segment is generated continuously.
   If the segment index is changed in "Next Segment", output of the current segment is stopped and the new segment is output immediately, following a system-imposed signal gap.
- In the case of "internal Trigger = Armed\_Auto", output starts after
  the first trigger event. The segment is then generated continuously.
  If the segment index is changed in "Next Segment", output of the
  current segment is stopped and the new segment is output immediately, following a system-imposed signal gap.
- In the case of "internal Trigger = Armed\_Auto", output starts after the first trigger event. The segment is then generated continuously.
   If the segment index is changed in "Next Segment", signal output is stopped and the new segment is not output until a trigger occurs.
- In the case of "internal Trigger = Single", output starts after the first trigger event. The segment is then generated once. Further trigger events cause a restart.
   If the segment index is changed in "Next Segment", the new seg-
  - If the segment index is changed in "Next Segment", the new segment is not output until a trigger occurs.
- In the case of "External Trigger = Auto", output starts at once and the segment is generated continuously.
  - Further trigger events are ignored. Each next segment trigger event switches over to outputting the subsequent segment, following a system-imposed signal gap.
  - If the segment index is changed in "Next Segment", output of the current segment is stopped and the new segment is output immediately, following a system-imposed signal gap.
  - The subsequent trigger event after the last segment causes the first segment to be output again.
- In the case of "External Trigger = Armed\_Auto", output starts after the first trigger event. The segment is then generated continuously. Further trigger events are ignored. Each next segment trigger event switches over to outputting the subsequent segment, following a system-imposed signal gap.
  - If the segment is changed in Next Segment, signal output is stopped and the new segment is not output until a trigger occurs.
  - The subsequent trigger event after the last segment causes the first segment to be output again.
- In the case of "External Trigger = Single", output starts after the first trigger event. The segment is then generated once.

  Each trigger event (re-)starts the segment; each next segment trigger event switches over to outputting the subsequent segment. If the segment is changed in "Next Segment", signal output is not stopped. The new segment is not output until a trigger occurs. The subsequent trigger event after the last segment causes the first segment to be output again.

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Seamless"

"Next Segment The segment selected under "Next Segment" is output.

This mode is only available if all segments have the same sample rate.

- In the case of "Internal Trigger = Auto", output starts at once and the segment is generated continuously. If the segment is changed in "Next Segment", the new segment is output seamlessly after the output of the current segment is complete.
- In the case of "internal Trigger = Armed\_Auto", output starts after the first trigger event. The segment is then generated continuously. If the segment is changed in "Next Segment", signal output is stopped and the new segment is not output until a trigger occurs.
- In the case of "External Trigger = Auto", output starts at once and the segment is generated continuously. Each trigger event (re-)starts the segment; each next segment trigger event switches over to outputting the subsequent segment once the output of the current segment has been completed. If the segment is changed in "Next Segment", the new segment is output seamlessly after the output of the current segment is complete.
- In the case of "External Trigger = Armed Auto", output starts after the first trigger event. The segment is then generated continuously. Each trigger event (re-)starts the segment; each next segment trigger event switches over to outputting the subsequent segment once the output of the current segment has been completed. If the segment is changed in "Next Segment", signal output is stopped and the new segment is not output until a trigger occurs.

The remaining trigger modes ("Retrigger" and "Armed Retrigger") are not available.

"Sequencer"

The waveform files are processed according to the order and repetition cycles defined in the special sequencing list file (\*.wvs) assigned to the multi segment waveform file.

This "play list" is defined in the Multi Segment Waveform Sequencing dialog.

Note: This feature is disabled in case the segments in the multi segment waveform file have different clock rates.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TRIGger:SMODe on page 513

#### **Next Segment Source**

Selects the next segment source, i.e. determines whether the next segment is switched upon receiving of an external trigger signal or upon executing of software next segment trigger.

Any next segment trigger event (internal or external) causes a switchover to the subsequent available segment in the waveform. A sequence of external next segment trigger events can be used to cyclical output the segments in the multi segment file.

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The currently output segment (segment file name and segment index) is indicated at "Current Segment". When the last segment of the multi segment waveform has been output, the sequence starts again with the output of the first segment after the subsequent trigger event.

Depending on the selected "Next Segment Mode", the new segment is output either at once or only after the complete output (wrap around) of the previous segment.

This parameter is disabled, if a sequencing play list is enabled.

"Internal" Switchover to any segment is triggered manually by means of the

"Execute Next Segment" button.

"External The trigger event for switching to the next segment is input on the NEXT

(NEXT)" connector.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WSEGment:NEXT:SOURce on page 547

### **Execute Next Segment**

Triggers manually switchover to the subsequent segment in the mutli segment file. A manual trigger can be executed only when an internal "Next Segment Source" has been selected.

To perform a switchover to any segment within the multi segment file, adjust the parameter "Next Segment".

This parameter is disabled, if a sequencing play list is enabled.

SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WSEGment:NEXT:EXECute on page 547
```

#### Sequencing List

Open a dialog box for defining the "play lists" (see "Multi Segment Waveform Sequencing" on page 355).

SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WSEGment:SEQuence:SELect on page 548
```

### **Trigger Example**

Displays an example of a multi segment waveform. The currently enabled trigger and next segment mode are considered. After the instrument switch on, the graph of the last loaded waveform is displayed.

**Note:** The curves plotted in this dialog box are textbook examples, "not measured" waveforms. They are intended to visualize the trigger and next segment settings more clearly.

SCPI command:

n.a.

#### **Marker Mode**

The marker output signal for synchronizing external instruments is configured in the "Marker Settings" section "Marker Mode".

# **Marker Mode**

Selects a marker signal for the associated "MARKER" output.

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**Note:** The marker trace in the waveform file remains unchanged in any case. It is not overwritten, even if something else than Unchanged has been selected.

"Unchanged" The marker signal remains unchanged as defined in the waveform file.

"Restart" A marker signal is generated at the start of each ARB sequence.

This marker mode is not enabled for muti segment waveforms.

"Pulse" A regular marker signal is generated. The pulse frequency is defined

by entering a divider. The frequency is derived by dividing the sample rate by the divider. The input box for the divider opens when "Pulse" is selected, and the resulting pulse frequency is displayed below it. The precision of the frequency setting depends on the sampling rate. The maximum pulse frequency is equal to half of the sampling rate.

#### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:PULSe:DIVider on page 517
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:PULSe:FREQuency
```

on page 517

"Pattern " A marker signal that is defined by a bit pattern is generated. The pattern

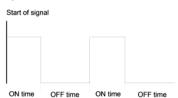
has a maximum length of 64 bits and is defined in an input field which opens when "pattern" is selected.

The pattern bits switch the marker signal to high and low state.

### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:PATTern on page 517
```

"ON/OFF Period" A regular marker signal that is defined by an ON/OFF ratio is generated. A period lasts one ON and OFF cycle.



The "ON Time" and "OFF Time" are each expressed as a number of samples and are set in an input field which opens when ON/OFF ratio is selected.

## SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:OFFTime on page 516
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:ONTime on page 516
```

#### SCPI command

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:MODE on page 515
```

## **Marker Delay**

The delay of the signals on the MARKER outputs is set in the "Marker Delay" section.

#### Marker x Delay

Enters the delay between the marker signal at the marker outputs and the start of the frame or slot.

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The input is expressed as a number of symbols. If the setting "Fix marker delay to dynamic range" is enabled, the setting range is restricted to the dynamic range. In this range the delay of the marker signals can be set without restarting the marker and signal.

#### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:DELay on page 510
```

### **Current Range without Recalculation**

Displays the dynamic range within which the delay of the marker signals can be set without restarting the marker and signal.

The delay can be defined by moving the setting mark.

#### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:DELay:MINimum on page 511 [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:DELay:MAXimum on page 511
```

# Fix marker delay to current range

Restricts the marker delay setting range to the dynamic range. In this range the delay can be set without restarting the marker and signal.

#### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TRIGger:OUTPut:DELay:FIXed on page 510
```

### **Clock Settings**

The "Clock Settings" is used to set the clock source and a delay if required.

### Sync. Mode

Selects the synchronization mode.

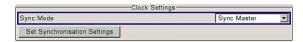
This parameter is used to enable generation of very precise synchronous signal of several connected R&S SMBVs.

**Note:** If several instruments are connected, the connecting cables from the master instrument to the slave one and between each two consecutive slave instruments must have the same length and type.

Avoid unnecessary cable length and branching points.

"None" The instrument is working in stand-alone mode.

"Sync. Master" The instrument provides all connected instrument with its synchronisation (including the trigger signal) and reference clock signal.



"Sync. Slave"

The instrument receives the synchronisation and reference clock signal from another instrument working in a master mode.

### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:CLOCk:SYNChronization:MODE on page 507
```

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## **Set Synchronization Settings**

Performs automatically adjustment of the instrument's settings required for the synchronization mode, selected with the parameter "Synchronization Mode".

### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:CLOCk:SYNChronization:EXECute on page 508

#### **Clock Source**

Selects the clock source.

"Internal" The internal clock reference is used to generate the symbol clock.

"External" The external clock reference is fed in as the symbol clock via the REF

IN connector.

While working in master-slave synchronous mode, an external clock source has to be selected for the slave-instrument(s) and the CLOCK IN connector has to be connecter to the CLOCK OUT connector of the master instrument.

This allows the slave instrume

This allows the slave instrument(s) to synchronies its clock to the sys-

tem clock of the master instrument.

The symbol rate must be correctly set to an accuracy of +/-2 % (see

data sheet).

The polarity of the clock input can be changed with the aid of "Global

Trigger/Clock Settings".

# SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:CLOCk:SOURce on page 507

### **Clock Mode**

Enters the type of externally supplied clock.

"Sample" A sample clock is supplied via the CLOCK connector.

"Multiple Sam-

ple"

A multiple of the sample clock is supplied via the CLOCK connector;

the sample clock is derived internally from this.

The "Multiplier" window provided allows the multiplication factor to be

entered.

# SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:CLOCk:MODE on page 506

#### Sample Clock Multiplier

Enters the multiplication factor for clock type "Multiple".

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:CLOCk:MULTiplier on page 507

## **Measured External Clock**

Indicates the measured frequency of the external clock signal. This enables the user to permanently monitor the frequency of the externally introduced clock.

This information is displayed only if the external clock source has been selected.

# SCPI command:

CLOCk: INPut: FREQuency?

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## **Global Settings**

The buttons in this section lead to submenu for general trigger, clock and mapping settings.

# **Global Trigger/Clock Settings**

Calls the "Global Trigger/Clock/Input Settings" dialog.

This dialog is used among other things for setting the trigger threshold, the input impedance and the polarity of the clock and trigger inputs.

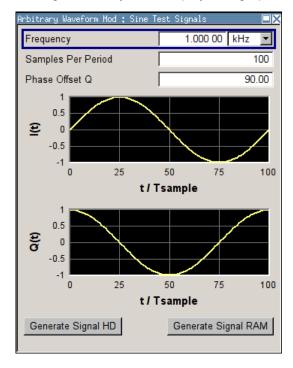
The parameters in this menu affect all digital modulations and standards, and are described in chapter 5.2.3.12, "Global Trigger/Clock/External Input Settings", on page 121.

# Sine Test Signals

To access the "Sine Test Signals" dialog, in the "ARB MOD" dialog set the parameter "Create Test Signal" to Sine and press "Create Test Signal".

The menu can be used to configure a sinusoidal test signal. A sine wave is generated on the I path, and a sine wave of the same frequency but phase-shifted is generated on the Q path.

The signal actually set is displayed in graphical form in the center of the menu.



# Frequency (Sine Test Signal)

Enters the frequency of the test signal.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TSIGnal:SINE:FREQuency on page 520

# Samples per Period (Sine Test Signal)

Enters the number of sample values required from the sine wave per period.

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The resulting clock rate must not exceed the maximum ARB clock rate (see data sheet). The number of sample values is automatically restricted by reference to the set frequency.

# SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TSIGnal:SINE:SAMPles on page 521

## Phase Offset Q (Sine Test Signal)

Enters the phase offset of the sinewave signal on the Q channel relative to the sinewave signal on the I channel.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TSIGnal:SINE:PHASe on page 520

# **Generate Signal HD (Sine Test Signal)**

Generates a signal and saves it to a file.

The File Select window opens automatically and the signal can be stored as a waveform file.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TSIGnal:SINE:CREate:NAMed on page 518

# **Generate Signal RAM (Sine Test Signal)**

Generates a signal and uses it as output straight away.

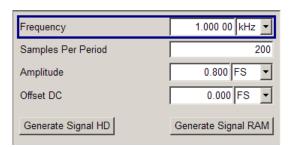
#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TSIGnal:SINE:CREate on page 518

#### **Rect Test Signal**

To access the "Sine Test Signals" dialog, in the "ARB MOD" dialog set the parameter "Create Test Signal" to Rect and press "Create Test Signal".

The dialog can be used to configure a rectangular test signal. A rectangular test signal with a duty factor of 0.5 is created. Amplitude and offset are adjustable. Both paths, I and Q, get the same signal.



# Frequency (Rect Test Signal)

Enters the frequency of the test signal.

# SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TSIGnal:RECTangle:FREQuency on page 519

### Samples per Period (Rect Test Signal)

Enters the number of sample values required for the rectangular signal per period.

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The resulting clock rate must not exceed the maximum ARB clock rate (see data sheet). The number of sample values is automatically restricted by reference to the set frequency.

## SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TSIGnal:RECTangle:SAMPles on page 520

## **Amplitude (Rect Test Signal)**

Enters the digital amplitude of the rectangular wave.

The abbreviation FS means full scale.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TSIGnal:RECTangle:AMPLitude on page 519

### Offset DC (Rect Test Signal)

Enters a DC component.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TSIGnal:RECTangle:OFFSet on page 519

# **Generate Signal HD (Rect Test Signal)**

Generates a signal and saves it to a file.

The File Select window opens automatically and the signal can be stored as a waveform file.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TSIGnal:RECTangle:CREate:NAMed on page 518

# **Generate Signal RAM (Rect Test Signal)**

Generates a signal and uses it as output straight away.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TSIGnal:SINE:CREate on page 518

#### **Const IQ Test Signal**

To access the "Sine Test Signals" dialog, in the "ARB MOD" dialog set the parameter "Create Test Signal" to Const I/Q and press "Create Test Signal".

The dialog can be used to configure a continuous test signal with constant IQ. The I and Q values for each path are adjustable but constant. The I and Q values are entered as a decimal number, which is decimal-to-binary converted internally. The signal is provided as a 16-bit wide digital signal for both I and Q channels.

Converted to analog the signal is output directly at the BNC connectors I and Q outputs of the instrument.



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## I Value (Const IQ Test Signal)

Enters the value for the I component of the test signal.

SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TSIGnal:CIQ:I on page 519
```

## Q Value (Const IQ Test Signal)

Enters the value for the Q component of the test signal.

SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TSIGnal:CIQ:Q on page 519
```

## **Generate Signal HD**

Generates a signal and saves it to a file.

The File Select window opens automatically and the signal can be stored as a waveform file.

SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TSIGnal:CIQ:CREate:NAMed on page 518
```

## **Generate Signal RAM**

Generates a signal and uses it as output straight away.

SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TSIGnal:CIQ:CREate on page 518
```

### 5.8.4.2 Multi Segment Waveforms

To fulfill the requirements of some test systems and to enable rapid alternation between different waveforms with differing test signals, the R&S Signal Generator provides the functionality to generate multi segment waveform files. A multi segment waveform is a combination of multiple waveforms called segments. Each segment represents a completely independent waveform that can be output with its own marker and clock settings. The entire multi segment waveform is loaded into memory. The segment intended to be output at any given moment can be selected by the user. It is therefore possible to alternate between the individual waveform segments without experiencing any delay due to the loading operation.

If very high switchover speeds are required, the test signals can be continuously scrolled through with the aid of an external trigger or by applying a predefined "play list". For this purpose the segments must have a common sample rate. If the combined waveforms have different sample rates, they can be adapted to a common sample rate by resampling. By the same procedure the instantaneous amplitude of the various waveforms can be scaled to a common RMS level.

To access the "Multi Segment" dialog, select "Baseband > ARB > Multi Segment...".

The menu can be used to create a multi segment waveform from existing waveforms and save it under its own name. As with normal waveforms, the file extension is \*.wv. Information on whether a file is a multi segment waveform is displayed in the File menu with the tag information when a waveform is loaded. Additionally, an information about the waveform can be aquired in the "Waveform Info" dialog.

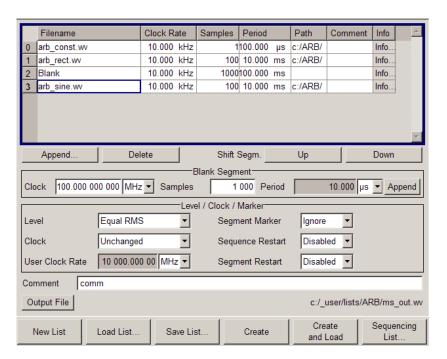
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If the combined waveforms have different sample rates, they can be adapted to a common sample rate by resampling. By the same procedure the instantaneous amplitude of the various waveforms can be scaled to a common rms level.

The configuration of a multi segment waveform, that is to say details of how it is made up from different waveforms, the level and clock rate settings, and the file name, can be saved separately in a list. The file extension is \*.inf\_mswv. This method can be used to create any number of configurations as a basis for defining further multi segment waveforms.

# Example for the creation of a multi segment waveform file.

- 1. Select "New List" to create empty list.
- 2. Use the "Append" function to add two or more waveform files.
- 3. Adjust the "Level", "Clock" and "Segment Marker" settings.
- 4. Select the "Output File" and enter file name.
- 5. Select "Save List" to save the configuration.
- 6. Select "Create" or "Create and Load" to create and save the multi segment waveform.



# **Multi Segment File Contents**

The upper part of the dialog provides the functions, necessary to create and adjust the contents of the multi segment file.

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## **Multi Segment Table**

The table lists the individual waveforms (segments) of the selected multi segment waveform. The information about the segments is taken from the tags of the corresponding waveform files.

"Segment#" Indication of segment index. The segment index is used to select the

segment to be output.

The segment index also defines the sequence of the output during trig-

gering in the "Next Segment" or "Next Segment Seamless".

"Waveform" Indication of the waveform file name of the segment.

"Clock Rate" Indication of the clock rate of the segment.

"Samples" Indication of the number of samples in the segment.

"Period" Indication of the segment duration.

"Path" Indication of the location of the waveform file used for the corresponding

segment.

"Comment" Indication of the comment on the segment.

"Info" Opens a dialog with detailed information about the currently selected

waveform.



SCPI command:

n.a.

# **Append**

Opens the file menu to enter the file name of the waveform file to be appended.

SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WSEGment:CONFigure:SEGMent:CATalog
on page 545
```

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WSEGment:CONFigure:SEGMent:APPend on page 545

# **Delete**

Deletes the selected segment.

# SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WSEGment:CONFigure:DELete on page 542

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## Shift Seg.# Up/Down

Shifts the selected segment up and down.

# **Blank Segment**

The Blank Segment section is where a blank segment can be configured.

#### **Clock Rate**

Selects the clock rate of the blank segment.

SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WSEGment:CONFigure:BLANk:APPend on page 540
```

## **Samples**

Selects the number of samples for the blank segment.

SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WSEGment:CONFigure:BLANk:APPend on page 540
```

#### **Period**

Displays the resulting period for the blank segment.

SCPI command:

n.a.

# **Append Blank**

Adds the blank segment to the multi segment file.

SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WSEGment:CONFigure:BLANk:APPend on page 540
```

## Level / Clock /Marker

The Level/Marker/Clock section provides the parameters necessary to adjust the level, marker and clock settings for the selected multi segment waveform file.

### Level

Defines the level mode for the multi segment waveform.

"Unchanged" Conserning the level settings, the segments are output exactly as

defined in the files. The "Level" display applies only to the segment with the highest rms value. In some circumstances the remaining segments

are output at a lower level than that displayed.

"Equal RMS" Segments are output so that all segments have the same rms value.

The "Level" display applies to all segments.

#### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WSEGment:CONFigure:LEVel[:MODE] on page 542
```

#### Clock

Selects the clock rate mode for the multi segment waveform.

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"Unchanged" A segment is output with the clock rate defined in the file.

If segments have different clock rates, extended trigger mode "Next Segment" allows internal segment switchovers only ("Internal" trigger

source).

Extended trigger mode "Next Segment Seamless" can only be selected

if all segments have the same clock rate.

"Highest" All segments are output at the highest available clock rate.

This mode provides very short switchover times between segments. The time for calculating the multi segment waveform is increased since

the individual segments have to be resampled.

"User" All segments are output at the clock rate defined in "User Clock".

This mode provides very short switchover times between segments. The time for calculating the multi segment waveform is increased since

the individual segments have to be resampled.

# SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WSEGment:CONFigure:CLOCk:MODE on page 541

#### **User Clock Rate**

Defines the sample rate used for multi segment waveform output in case of Clock Mode "User".

## SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WSEGment:CONFigure:CLOCk on page 541
```

#### **Segment Marker**

Defines the way the marker information within the separate segments is processed.

"Ignore" The marker information carried in the individual segment waveform files

is not considered.

"Take Over" The output waveform file contains the marker information as configured

in the individual waveform files.

#### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WSEGment:CONFigure:MARKer:MODE on page 544
```

#### **Sequence Restart**

Enables/disables the generation of an additional marker restart signal in the output waveform file.

If additional marker generation is enabled, the existing marker signals in the individual segment waveform files are not considered.

"Disable" No additional marker is generated.

"Marker Generates a restart marker signal at the beginning of the first segment

1/2/3/4" for the corresponding marker.

Use this setting to generate a restart marker for the complete sequence.

# SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WSEGment:CONFigure:MARKer:FSEGment
on page 543
```

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## **Segment Restart**

Enables/disables the generation of an additional marker restart signal in the output waveform file.

If additional marker generation is enabled, the existing marker signals in the individual segment waveform files are not considered.

"Disable" No additional marker is generated.

"Marker Generates a restart marker signal at the beginning of each segment for

1/2/3/4" the corresponding marker.

The segment begin is defined by the low-high slope of the marker. This applies for switching between two segments as well as in case of seg-

ment replay.

#### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WSEGment:CONFigure:MARKer:ESEGment
on page 543
```

### **Output File**

In the Output File section, the output file name is specified and a comment can be added to the file.

#### Comment

Adds a comment to the multi segment file.

#### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WSEGment:CONFigure:COMMent on page 542
```

#### **Output file**

Opens the File menu, where the file name of the multi segment waveform which has to be calculated can be entered. The multi segment waveform is saved under this name by clicking the "Create" or "Create and Load" button.

A name must also be entered here before the list can be saved as a configuration file ("Save List"). In this case the name is needed for internal storage procedures. It is entered as the default name for the multi segment waveform file when loading the list.

## SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WSEGment:CONFigure:OFILe on page 544
```

## **Handling of Multi Segment Files**

The buttons in this sections are provided for handling of the multi segment files.

### **Save List**

Saves the current entries of the table in a configuration file, including the level mode, clock mode, segment marker mode and output file name settings.

The file name is entered in the "File" menu. Configuration files have the file extension \*.inf mswv. They can be used later as the basis for further multi segment waveforms.

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Before a multi segment configuration file can be saved, a file name must be entered in "Output File", since this is saved with the configuration file for internal purposes.

#### SCPI command:

The configuration file to be used for the creation of the multi segment waveform is defined with the command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WSEGment:CREate
Or [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WSEGment:CLOad
The file name of the waveform file is always determined with the command [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WSEGment:CONFigure:OFILe
```

### **Load List**

Opens the file menu to select the configuration file to be edited.

#### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WSEGment:CONFigure:CATalog on page 541
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WSEGment:CONFigure:SELect on page 545
```

#### **New List**

Calls the "Create Multi Segment Waveform List" dialog to enter the name of the new file.

A new new configuration table is created.

# SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WSEGment:CONFigure:SELect on page 545
```

### **Define Sequencing List**

Open a dialog box for configuring of the play lists (see "Multi Segment Waveform Sequencing" on page 355).

SCPI command:

n.a.

## Create

Creates a new multi segment waveform using the current table entries.

This multi segment waveform is saved with the file name specified in "Output File". As with normal waveforms, the file extension is "\*.wv".

Depending on the configuration of the multi segment waveform, calculation may take some time. A panel with a progress bar and an "Abort" button appears during creating of the multi segment waveform.

In remote control the configuration file to be used for the creation of the multi segment waveform is defined with the command: [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WSEGment: CREate or [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WSEGment:CLOad.

```
The file name of the waveform file is always determined with the command \ [\ :
```

```
SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WSEGment:CONFigure:OFILe
```

```
SCPI command:
```

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WSEGment:CREate on page 546
```

## **Create and Load**

Creates a new multi segment waveform using the current table entries.

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This multi segment waveform is saved with the file name specified in "Output File". As with normal waveforms, the file extension is \*.wv.

Depending on the configuration of the multi segment waveform, calculation may take some time.

Following this the "Create Multi Segment Waveform File" submenu is closed and the new multi segment waveform is loaded.

In remote control the configuration file to be used for the creation of the multi segment waveform is defined with the command: [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WSEGment: CREate or [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WSEGment:CLOad.

The file name of the waveform file is always determined with the command [: SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WSEGment:CONFigure:OFILe

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WSEGment:CLOad on page 539

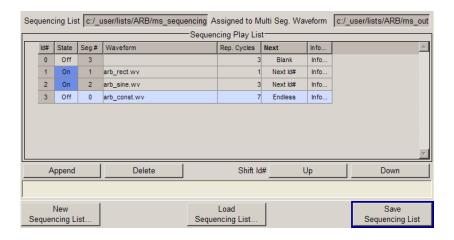
# **Multi Segment Waveform Sequencing**

The settings provided in the "Multi Segment Waveform Sequencing" dialog can be adjusted to crate a "play list", i.e. to define the sequence in which the waveform file segments are processed and how many times each of them is repeated. The configured play list is displayed in form of a "Sequencing Graphic".



All segments in a "play list" must have the same clock rate.

In the "ARB" main dialog or in the "ARB Trigger/Marker/Clock" dialog, set the "Next Segment Mode" to "Sequencer" to activate the configured "play list".



# **Sequencing List**

Displays the name of the selected sequencing list file, i.e. the file with the "play list" settings.

The sequencing list file has an extension \*.wvs and is automatically assigned to but independent from the multi segment file. By default, both files have the same name and are located in the same file directory. More than one sequencing list files can be created per multi segment waveform file.

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The sequencing list file carries information only about the segment number, the corresponding wavefile names are retrieved form the assigned multi segment waveform file, i.e. the same sequencing list file can be reused for different multi segment waveform files with the same number of segments.

Changes and re-calculations of a multi segment waveform file cause a re-check whether the assigned sequencing list files are still valid. A message is displayed to inform about necessary corrections in the "play list".

SCPI command:

n.a.

# Assigned to Multi Seg. Waveform

Displays the name of the multi segment waveform file the current sequencing list file is assigned to.

SCPI command:

n.a.

## **Sequencing Play List**

The "Sequencing Play List" table is used to define the sequence in which the waveform file segments are processed and how many times each of them is repeated.

# Id# ← Sequencing Play List

Indication of the row number.

n.a.

#### State ← Sequencing Play List

Enables/disables the selected row. Only active segments are processed.

n.a.

## Segment# ← Sequencing Play List

Indication of segment index.

The sequencing list file carries information only about the segment index, the corresponding wavefile names are retrieved form the assigned multi segment waveform file.

n.a.

# Waveform ← Sequencing Play List

Indication of the waveform file name of the segment. The file name is retrieved form the assigned multi segment waveform file.

Available for selection are only waveform files from the pool of segments of the selected multi segment waveform file.

n.a.

# $\textbf{Repetition Cycles} \leftarrow \textbf{Sequencing Play List}$

Sets the number of times the selected segment is cyclically repeated before the next segment in the sequence is processed.

n.a.

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## Next ← Sequencing Play List

Determines the action after completing the current one, like for instance which segment is processed after the processing of the current one is finished.

"Next Id#" The next active segment in the play list is processed.

"Blank" After the processing of the current segment is completed, the signal

output is stopped until a signal restart like a retrigger signal is received. A restart signal causes a complete restart of the sequencing play list.

"Endless" The current segment is re-played until a signal restart like a retrigger

signal is received and the complete sequencing play list is restarted.

Only active segments are considered.

"Goto Id#" Determines the row number of the segment to be processed next.

This feature is currently limited for the first 32 rows.

SCPI command:

n.a.

# Info ← Sequencing Play List

Opens a dialog with detailed information about the currently selected waveform.

See also "Waveform Info" on page 329.

SCPI command:

n.a.

# **Append**

Inserts a new row at the end of the sequencing play list table.

## SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WSEGment:SEQuence:SELect on page 548
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WSEGment:SEQuence:APPend on page 548
```

## Delete

Deletes the selected row.

SCPI command:

n.a.

### Shift Id# Up/Down

Shifts the selected row up and down.

SCPI command:

n.a.

# **Sequencing Graphic**

Displays the play list graph according to the current configuration.

The graph shows the segment sequence, the segment number and the number of times, the segment is repeated; considered are only the active segments.

SCPI command:

n.a.

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#### **New Sequencing List**

Opens the "Select Sequencing List" dialog to enter the name of the new file.

SCPI command:

n.a.

# **Load Sequencing List**

Opens the "Select Sequencing List" dialog to select an existing play list file.

SCPI command:

n.a.

# Save Sequencing List

Saves the current entries of the table in a play list file.

The default file name of the play list file is the same as the multi segment waveform file name, but it can be changed.

Play list files have the file extension \*.wvs.

SCPI command:

n.a.

# **Typical Applications for Multi Segment Waveforms**

This section gives examples of the typical applications for multi sgment waveforms.

# **High Speed Switchovers**

To test DUTs/chips using different test signals at high throughput requires extremely fast switchovers (for instance when testing ATE devices during manufacture). The following settings enable switching times of approx. 5 us and the test signals are scrolled through with the aid of an external trigger signal:

- 1. "Trigger Mode" = "Auto"
- 2. "Trigger Source" = "External Trigger"
- If the waveforms have different sample rates:
   "Clock Mode" = "Highest" or "User" (when creating the waveform in the Multi Segment Editor)

## Flexible Dynamic Switchovers

When testing DUTs using different test signals, it may be necessary to switch dynamically and flexibly between any of the test signals, for instance depending on the outcome of the previous test. When using remote control via an external computer, the following settings enable switching times of approx. 20 ms for segments with the same sample rate and approx. 200 ms for segments with different sample rates:

- 1. "Extended Trigger Mode" = "Next Segment"
- 2. "Trigger Mode" = "Auto"
- 3. "Trigger Source" = "Internal"

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## Flexible Dynamic Switchovers without Signal Interruptions

Testing receivers requires a continuous output of different test signals without interrupting the signal. The test signals then produce a complex total signal with no signal gaps on switchover. Control procedures can use a simulated back channel of the receiver (trigger line or remote control).

Switching times depend on the length of the segment currently being output, since switchover to the next segment does not take place until the current segment comes to an end.

- "Extended Trigger Mode" = "Next Segment Seamless"
- 2. "Trigger Mode" = "Auto"
- 3. "Trigger Source" = "Internal or External"

  If the waveforms have different sample rates:
- "Clock Mode" = "Highest" or "User" (when creating the waveform in the Multi Segment Editor)

### 5.8.4.3 Multi Carrier Waveforms

Multi carrier waveforms consisting of up to 32 carriers modulated by user-selectable baseband signals can be created in order to simulate complex multi carrier scenarios with different baseband signals (e.g. CDMA2000 or 3GPP FDD).

The carriers are equally spaced and centered toward the RF frequency or baseband DC line, respectively. The carrier spacing is adjustable within the total available baseband bandwidth of 80 MHz. Each carrier can be separately defined in terms of power, phase and modulated input signal. Optionally, crest factor optimization can be applied.

Thus, multi carrier waveforms can be very easily configured as broadband test signals and used for such purposes as transmitter or receiver tests. Even complex multi carrier scenarios composed of signals from different digital standards can be created and used for these tests.

### Example for the creation of a multi carrier waveform file

- Configure general settings
- 2. Configure carrier table
- 3. Enter file name of multi carrier waveform ("Output File")
- 4. Save and load multi carrier waveform ("Create" or "Create and Load")

## **User Interface**

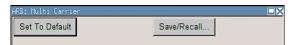
To access the "Multi Carrier" dialog, select "Baseband > ARB > Multi Carrier...".

The menu can be used to create a multi carrier waveform and save it under its own name. As with normal waveforms, the file extension is \*.wv. Information on clock rate, number of samples and creation day is displayed in the File menu when a waveform is loaded.

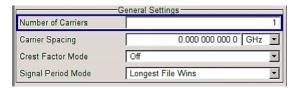
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The "Multi Carrier" dialog is divided into the following sections.

The upper part of the menu is used for calling the default settings and saving and recalling the submenu settings.



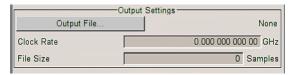
The General Settings section is used to configure the main multi carrier waveform.



The buttons in the middle part of the menu open submenus for defining the carrier table. The carrier settings can be checked in the graphical "Carrier Graph" submenu.



The "Output Settings" section indicates the name, the size and the clock rate of the multi carrier waveform (after calculation).



The buttons in the lower part of the menu activate creation and optionally loading of multi carrier waveform files into the main ARB menu.



# **Default Settings and State**

The upper part of the dialog is used for calling the default settings and saving and recalling existing ARB multi carrier submenu settings.

# Set to Default

Calls default settings. The values are shown in the following table.

Parameter	Value
Number of Carriers	1
Carrier Spacing	0 MHz
Crest Factor Mode	Off
Signal Period Mode	Longest file wins

# SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:PRESet on page 532

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#### Save/Recall Frame

Calls the "Save/Recall" menu.

From the "Save/Recall" menu the "File Select" windows for saving and recalling the configurations of the ARB "Multi Carrier" submenu and the "File Manager" can be called.

Recall Multi Carrier Settings Save Multi Carrier Settings File Manager...

Multi Carrier configurations are stored as files with the predefined file extension \*.arb multcarr. The file name and the directory they are stored in are user-definable.

The complete settings in the Multi Carrier menu are saved and recalled.

"Recall Multi Opens the "File Select" window for loading a saved Multi Carrier con-

Carrier Set- figuration.

tings" The configuration of the selected (highlighted) file is loaded by pressing

the "Select" button.

"Save Multi Opens the "File Select" window for saving the current Multi Carrier sig-

Carrier Set- nal configuration.

tings" The name of the file is specified in the "File name" entry field, the direc-

tory selected in the "Save Into" field. The file is saved by pressing the

"Save" button.

The "Fast Save" checkbox determines whether the instrument performs an absolute or a differential storing of the settings. Enable this function to accelerate the saving process by saving only the settings with values different to the default ones. "Fast Save" is not affected by the "Pre-

set" function.

"File Manager" Calls the "File Manager".

The "File Manager" is used to copy, delete, and rename files and to

create new directories.

## SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:SETTing:CATalog on page 533
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:SETTing:LOAD on page 533
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:SETTing:STORe:FAST on page 534
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:SETTing:STORe on page 533
```

# **General Settings**

The "General Settings" section is used to configure the Multi Carrier signal.

#### Mode

Selects the carrier frequency mode.

"Equidistant Sets an equidistant carrrier spacing. The carrier frequency in the carrier

Carrier Spac- table is not configurable.

ing"

"Arbitrary Car- Enables you to specify the carrier frequency in the carrier table. Carrier rier Frequency" spacing is irrelevant.

#### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:CARRier:MODE on page 522
```

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#### **Number of Carriers**

Sets the number of carriers for the multi carrier waveform.

By default the multi carrier table lists 1 carrier. A maximum of 32 carriers can be configured and activated.

When the number of carriers is increased, the multi carrier table is extended by adding further lines at the end of the table. If these carrier already have been defined before, the settings are preset according to the former settings. Otherwise the parameters are preset with the default values.

#### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:CARRier:COUNt on page 522
```

# **Carrier Spacing**

Sets the frequency spacing between adjacent carriers of the multi carrier waveform.

The carriers are arranged symmetrically around the RF carrier.

The maximum carrier spacing is limited to

## Carrier spacing = Total baseband bandwidth /(Number of carriers - 1);

The total baseband bandwidth is 120 MHz for R&S SMBV equipped with option B10/B50 or 60 MHz for R&S SMBV-B51.

**Note:** In order to avoid wrap-around problems, the effective "Carrier Spacing" might be slightly modified.

The Carrier Spacing is rounded in that way that the carrier closest to the center RF frequency shows no phase jump assuming that the carrier is unmodulated.

- For odd number of carriers:
   RoundedCarrierSpacing=1/OutputSignalDuration\* round(CarrierSpacing \* Output-SignalDuration);
- For even number of carriers:
   RoundedCarrierSpacing=2/OutputSignalDuration\*round(0.5 \*CarrierSpacing \*OutputSignalDuration).

#### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:CARRier:SPACing on page 523
```

### **Crest Factor Mode**

Selects the mode for optimizing the crest factor by calculating the carrier phases.

The crest factor represents the ratio of the peak voltage value to the rms voltage value. The higher the crest factor and resulting dynamics of a signal, the greater the requirement for a power amplifier fed by the signal to be linear.

The following modes are available:

"Off" There is no automatic setting for minimizing or maximizing the crest

factor. The "Phase" setting as defined in the carrier table is in use.

"Minimize" The crest factor is minimized by internally calculating optimized carrier

phases. The Phase setting displayed in the carrier table is invalid.

"Maximize" The crest factor is maximized by internally calculating optimized carrier

phases. The Phase setting displayed in the carrier table is invalid.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:CFACtor:MODE on page 525

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#### Clipping

Switches baseband clipping on and off.

Clipping reduces the peak power of the resulting multi carrier signal according to the input parameter "Target Crest Factor".

The resulting clipped peak power is defined by sum of the the RMS level of the unclipped multi carrier signal and the input parameter "Target Crest Factor". Note that clipping reduces also the RMS level. Hence the resulting crest factor of the clipped signal is slightly above the "Target Crest Factor". In order to get the unclipped parts of the clipped multicarrier signal matched with the unclipped multicarrier signal, the RF output power should be reduced by the difference between resulting crest factor and "Target Crest Factor".

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:CLIPping[:STATe] on page 527

## **Target Crest Factor**

Sets the value of the desired crest factor, if baseband clipping is enabled.

A "Target Crest Factor" above the crest factor of the unclipped multicarrier signal has no effect.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:CLIPping:CFACtor on page 526

### Filter Cut Off Frequency

Sets the cut off frequency of the final lowpass filter, if baseband clipping is enabled.

When the cut off frequency is set as half of the output sample rate, a final lowpass filter improves the spectrum of the clipped multicarrier signal, but may also increase the resulting crest factor.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:CLIPping:CUToff on page 526

# Signal Period Mode

Selects the mode for calculating the resulting signal period of the multi carrier waveform. The carrier table provides an information button to obtain sample rate and file length data of each carrier.

The resulting period is always calculated for all carriers in the carrier table irrespective of their state (ON/OFF).

Note: Wrap-around and timing problems may occur when I/Q signals of different length are used. Thus, demodulation of a carrier may be difficult or even impossible. It is therefore recommended to consider the timing already when creating the input I/Q files or to adjust the signal duration to the carrier which is subsequently demodulated (in this case, the other carriers are for interfering the signal only). These problems do not arise with signals of the same standard (e.g. 3GPP).

The following modes are available:

"Longest File The resulting signal period is defined by the longest I/Q file in the carrier Wins"

table. Shorter I/Q files are periodically repeated.

"Shortest File The resulting signal period is defined by the shortest I/Q file in the carrier

Wins" table. Only the first part of longer I/Q files is used.

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"User"

The signal period can be set by the user in the "Signal Period" field. Shorter I/Q files are repeated periodically, and only the first part of longer I/Q files is used.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:TIME:MODE on page 534

## Signal Period

Sets the signal period in Signal Duration Mode "User". Shorter I/Q files are repeated periodically, and only the first part of longer I/Q files is used.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:TIME on page 534

#### Carrier Table Submenu

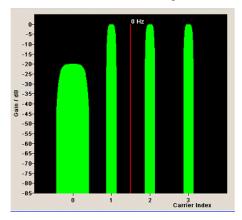
Calls the table for configuring individual carriers. A selectable carrier range can be set with the aid of the optional "Carrier Table Assistant" (see "Muti Carrier Table" on page 365).

The multi carrier configuration can be checked with the aid of the "Carrier Graph".

## **Carrier Graph**

Calls a graphical representation of the current multi carrier configuration in the frequency domain.

The height of the bars corresponds to the chosen gain of each individual carrier. The bandwidth of the carriers signals is indicated by the width of the bars.



# **Output Settings**

The "Output Settings" section in the multi carrier main menu indicates the name, the size and the clock rate of the currently calculated multi carrier output file.

### File

Opens the "File" menu, where the output file name of the multi carrier waveform which has to be calculated can be entered.

The multi carrier waveform is calculated and saved under this name by clicking the "Create" or "Create and Load" button.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:OFILe on page 532

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#### **Clock Rate**

Displays the resulting sample rate at which the multi carrier waveform is output by the arbitrary waveform generator. The output clock rate depends on the number of carriers, carrier spacing and input sample rate of the leftmost or rightmost carriers.

#### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:CLOCk on page 528
```

#### File Size

Displays the resulting number of samples of the multi carrier waveform.

#### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:SAMPles on page 532
```

#### Create

Creates a new multi carrier waveform defined by the multi carrier table and General Setting entries.

This multi carrier waveform is saved with the file name specified in "Output File". If no file name is specified, the File Manager opens so that the file name can be entered. As with normal waveforms, the file extension is  $\star$ . wv.

Depending on the configuration of the multi carrier waveform, calculation may take some time. A panel with a progress bar and an "Abort" button appears during the calculation process.

## SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:CREate on page 528
```

# **Create and Load**

Creates a new multi carrier waveform defined by the multi carrier table and General Setting entries and loads it subsequently in the "ARB" main menu.

This multi carrier waveform is saved with the file name specified in "Output File". If no file name is specified, the File Manager opens so that the file name can be entered. As with normal waveforms, the file extension is  $\star$  . wv.

Depending on the configuration of the multi carrier waveform, calculation may take some time. A panel with a progress bar and an "Abort" button appears during the calculation process.

# SCPI command:

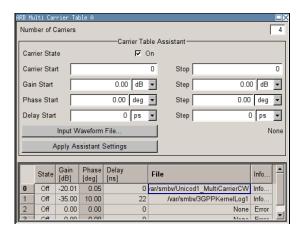
```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:CLOad on page 527
```

## **Muti Carrier Table**

The "Multi Carrier Table" manu is oped by means of the "Carrier Table" button in the middle part of the Multi Carrier Waveforms menu. The carrier settings can be checked in the graphical "Carrier Graph" submenu.

The "Carrier Table Assistant" section can be used to set a selectable carrier range. This section serves as a optional mean to quickly set up a multi carrier scenario within a specified carrier range.

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#### **Carrier Table Assistant**

## **Number of Carriers**

Defines the number of carriers of the multi carrier waveform.

This parameter is identical to that in the "General Setting" section.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:CARRier:COUNt on page 522

### **Carrier State**

Switches the carriers in the range "Carrier Start" to "Carrier Stop" on/off.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:EDIT:CARRier:STATe on page 532

#### **Carrier Start**

Defines the start index of the carrier range to which the assistant settings are intended to apply.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:EDIT:CARRier:STARt on page 531

#### **Carrier Stop**

Defines the stop index of the carrier range to which the assistant settings are intended to apply.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:EDIT:CARRier:STOP on page 531

# **Gain Start**

Sets the gain of the carrier marked by "Carrier Start".

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:EDIT:CARRier:POWer[:STARt]
on page 531

# **Gain Step**

Sets the step width that is used to increment the gain

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The resulting carrier gain in the carrier table equals:

## GainStart + n\* Gain Step

where n ranges from 0 to (Carrier Stop - Carrier Start).

SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:EDIT:CARRier:POWer:STEP on page 531
```

#### **Phase Start**

Sets the phase of the carrier marked by "Carrier Start".

SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:EDIT:CARRier:PHASe[:STARt]
on page 530
```

# **Phase Step**

Sets the step width that is used to increment the phase.

The resulting phase in the carrier table equals:

# PhaseStart + n\* PhaseStep

where n ranges from 0 to (Carrier Stop – Carrier Start)

SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:EDIT:CARRier:POWer:STEP on page 531
```

## **Delay Start**

Sets the delay of the carrier marked by "Carrier Start".

SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:EDIT:CARRier:DELay[:STARt]
on page 529
```

# **Delay Step**

Sets the step width that is used to increment the delay

The resulting delay in the carrier table equals:

# DelayStart + n\* DelayStep

where n ranges from 0 to (Carrier Stop – Carrier Start).

SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:EDIT:CARRier:DELay:STEP on page 528
```

# Input Waveform File

Calls the "File" menu for selecting the inputfile with the I/Q signal to be modulated onto all carriers of the selected carrier range.

SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:EDIT:CARRier:FILE on page 530
```

## **Apply Assistant Settings**

Transfer the assistant settings to the carrier table.

SCPI command:

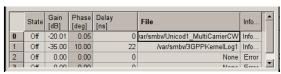
```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:EDIT:CARRier:EXECute on page 529
```

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### **Carrier Table**

The table displays the settings of all available carriers. Previously applied assistant settings can be further refined. The number of lines corresponds to the number of carriers.

**Note:** The phase/deg settings are only valid if optimization of the crest factor is disabled ("Crest Factor Mode" = Off).



### No ← Carrier Table

Indicates the carrier index ranging from 0 to (number of carriers -1).

Individual carriers can be set using the remote control commands by specifying the index in the parameter CARR.

## State ← Carrier Table

Switches On/Off a carrier.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:CARRier<ch>:STATe on page 525

# **Carrier Freq [MHz] ← Carrier Table**

Sets the carrier frequency.

**Note:** The carrier frequency can only be set in "Arbitrary Carrier frequency" mode. For "Equidistant Carrier Spacing", the carrier spacing is determined automatically.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:CARRier<ch>:FREQuency on page 524

# Gain ← Carrier Table

Sets the gain of a carrier.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:CARRier<ch>:POWer on page 525

## Phase ← Carrier Table

Sets the starting phase of a carrier.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:CARRier<ch>:PHASe on page 525

# **Delay** ← Carrier Table

Sets the starting delay of a carrier.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:CARRier<ch>:DELay on page 524

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### File ← Carrier Table

Calls the "File" menu for selecting the input file with the I/Q signal to be modulated onto the carrier.

### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:CARRier<ch>:FILE on page 524

#### Info ← Carrier Table

Indicates the sample rate, number of I/Q value pairs (number of samples), and the resulting signal period of the selected I/Q input file.

SCPI command:

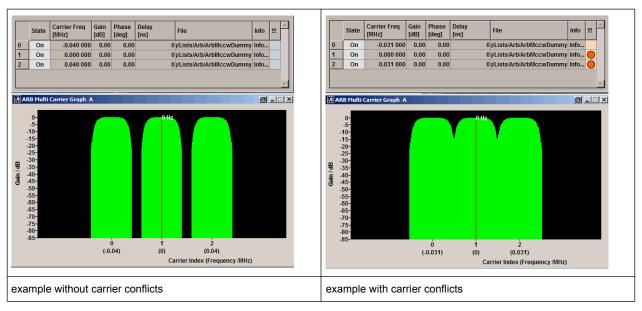
n.a.

### !!! ← Carrier Table

Indicates an occurred conflict by a means of a red LED. A conflict arises when the carriers overlap.

#### **Example:**

A conflict is indicated both in the table, as well as in the graph, as shown in the following figures:



#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:CARRier<ch>:CONFlict on page 523

# **Typical Applications for Multi Carrier Waveforms**

High Power Amplifiers of multi carrier base stations face increased requirements in terms of linearity and acceptable intermodulation performance.

A standard transmitter test might be quickly setup by the following instructions:

 Load a standardized 3GPP downlink test model, e.g. "Test Model 1\_16" and set State to "ON".

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- 2. Create a 3GPP Testmodel ARB file by activating "Generate Waveform File".
- 3. Setup a multi carrier scenario with 4 carriers and a carrier spacing of 5 MHz.
- Apply the input file containing the previously generated 3GPP testmodel to all 4 carriers.

### 5.8.5 Multi Carrier Continuous Wave

The R&S SMBV can generate a Multi Carrier CW signal with user-definable offset from carrier, based on a selection of up to 8192 unmodulated carriers. Each carrier can be separately set and switched on, or multiple carriers can be jointly configured. Automatic start phase setting is provided in order to minimize the crest factor.

Multi Carrier CW signals can be very easily configured as broadband test signals and used for such purposes as receiver tests.

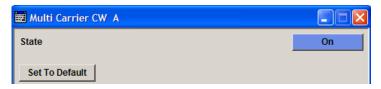


To access the dialog for setting a Multi Carrier CW signal, select "Baseband > Multi Carrier CW" or use MENU key under "Baseband".

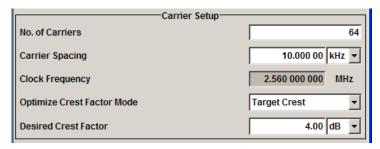
# 5.8.5.1 Multi Carrier CW User Interface

The "Multi Carrier CW" dialog is divided into the following sections.

The upper part of the menu is used for powering up the Multi Carrier CW and calling the default settings.

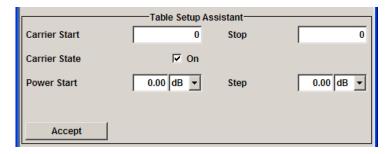


The "Carrier Setup" section is used to configure the Multi Carrier CW signal.



The "Table Setup Assistant" section can be used to set a selectable carrier range.

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The buttons in the lower part of the menu open dialogs for defining carrier tables and for configuring markers, triggers and clocks.

The carrier settings can be visualized in the graphical "Carrier Graph" dialog.



# **General Settings for Multi Carrier CW**

The upper part of the menu is used for powering up the Multi Carrier CW signal and calling the default settings.

# State

Enables/disables the Multi Carrier CW.

Switching on this standard turns off all the other digital standards and digital modulation modes.

Since Multi Carrier CW signals are computed in arbitrary waveform mode, changes to the settings of individual carriers are not adopted until the Accept button is pressed. This applies to the settings in the "Table Setup Assistant" section and the "Carrier Table" dialog.

## SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:STATe on page 590

# Set to Default

Calls default settings. The values are shown in the following table.

Parameter	Value
State	Not affected by "Set to Default"
Carrier Setup	
Number of Carriers	64
Carrier Spacing	10 kHz
Optimize Crest Factor	Chirp

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Parameter	Value
Desired Crest Factor	3 dB
Trigger	
Mode	Auto
Source	Internal
Ext. Delay	0
Ext. Inhibit	0
Marker	
Channel 14	Restart
Clock	
Source	Internal
Multi Channel Setup	
Start Carrier	0
Stop Carrier	0
State	ON
Power	0 dB
Power Step	0 dB
Initial Phase	0°
Phase Step	0°
Channel Setup	
State	ON
Phase	0°
Power	0 dB

## SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:PRESet on page 590

# **Carrier Setup**

The "Carrier Setup" section is used to configure the Multi Carrier CW.

# **Number of Carriers**

Sets the number of carriers for the Multi Carrier CW signal.

By default the multi carrier table already lists 64 carriers that are preset to the settings State = ON, Power = 0 dB, Phase =  $0^{\circ}$ .

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When entering fewer carriers than the table contains, the approach is generally to delete the superfluous entries from the table, and when entering more carriers than the table contains the missing entries are usually added at the end of the table.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:CARRier:COUNt on page 591

## **Carrier Spacing**

Sets the spacing between carriers for the Multi Carrier CW signal.

The carriers are arranged symmetrically around the HF carrier.

The total bandwidth is calculated as follow:

Total Bandwidth = ("Number of Carriers" - 1) \* "Carrier Spacing"

The result must not exceed the system bandwidth of the instrument (see data sheet).

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:CARRier:SPACing on page 593

# **Clock Frequency**

Displays the clock rate at which the multi carrier signal is output by the arbitrary waveform generator. The output clock rate depends on the number of carriers and the selected carrier offset.

The value indicates the resolution during the marker generation.

# SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:CLOCk on page 595

### **Optimize Crest Factor Mode**

Selects the mode for automatically minimizing the crest factor.

The carrier start phases are automatically set to this.

The crest factor represents the ratio of the peak voltage value to the rms voltage value. The higher the crest factor and resulting dynamics of a signal, the greater the requirement for a power amplifier fed by the signal to be linear.

A very high crest factor arises when the carriers have an identical start phase, since the carriers are periodically superposed and very high peak voltages occur in relation to the rms voltage values.

Methods of reducing the crest factor differ with regard to both the optimization achievable and the time required for computation.

"Off" There are no automatic settings for minimizing the crest factor. The

"Phase" setting has an effect.

"Chirp" Very rapid crest factor optimization regardless of the number of carriers.

A minimal crest factor of < 3 dB is only obtained for multi carrier signals in which all carriers are switched on and the power of the carriers is identical. In a configuration which differs from this, the achievable crest

factor is worse.

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"Target Crest"

Optimization of the crest factor to a desired value for all carrier configurations. The optimization time depends on the number of carriers and the desired crest factor. Computation time increases only when the number of carriers exceeds 256 and the crest factor is below 4 dB. The desired value can be entered in "Desired Crest Factor".

**Note:** Optimization can be cancelled at any time, and the current value being displayed at that moment is then used.

## SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:CFACtor:MODE on page 595
```

#### **Desired Crest Factor**

Enters the desired crest factor.

This is only possible when the optimization "Target Crest" has been selected.

## SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:CFACtor on page 594
```

#### **Table Setup Assistant**

The "Table Setup Assistant" section can be used to set a selectable carrier range. The carrier table can be edited in the "Carrier Table" dialog.

#### **Carrier Start**

Defines the start index of the carrier range to which the following settings are intended to apply.

#### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:EDIT:CARRier:STARt on page 598
```

#### **Carrier Stop**

Defines the stop index of the carrier range to which the following settings are intended to apply.

#### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:EDIT:CARRier:STOP on page 598
```

#### **Carrier State**

Switches the carriers in the carrier range on/off.

#### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:EDIT:CARRier:STATe on page 598
```

#### **Power Start**

Sets the power of the starting carrier.

#### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:EDIT:CARRier:POWer[:STARt] on page 597
```

## **Power Step**

Sets the width of the step with which the power will be changed from carrier to carrier.

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The carrier power that is set with **Power + n\* Power Step** must be within the valid value range -80 dB to 0 dB.

#### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:EDIT:CARRier:POWer:STEP on page 597
```

#### **Phase Start**

Sets the phase of the starting carrier. This setting is only available for "Optimize Crest Factor Mode" = Off.

#### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:EDIT:CARRier:PHASe[:STARt] on page 597
```

# **Phase Step**

Sets the width of the step with which the phase will be changed from carrier to carrier.

The phase that is set with **Phase + n\* Phase Step** must be within the valid value range 0° to 360°.

This setting is only available for "Optimize Crest Factor Mode" = Off.

## SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:EDIT:CARRier:PHASe:STEP on page 596
```

#### Accept

Adopts the carrier range setting into the table ("Carrier Table").

#### SCPI command:

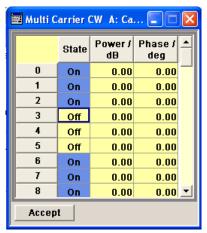
```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:EDIT:CARRier:EXECute on page 596
```

## **Carrier Table and Carrier Graph**

The lower part of the menu is used to open submenus for configuring carrier tables and for setting triggers, markers and clocks.

# **Carrier Table**

Calls the table for configuring individual carriers. This configuration can be checked with the aid of the "Carrier Graph".



The table displays the settings of all available carriers. Carriers in the On state are highlighted. All carrier parameters can be edited in the table.

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The Multi Carrier CW signal is only computed when the "Accept" button is pressed. Whenever the table contains settings that have not yet been adopted with the "Accept" button, the background is yellow.

**Note:** The phase/deg settings are only valid if optimization of the crest factor is disabled ("Optimize Crest Factor" = Off).

"No." This is the carrier index.

"State" Switch a carrier on/off

"Power" Sets the power of a carrier.

"Phase" Sets the starting phase of a carrier.

"Accept" Transfer the settings in the carrier table into the instrument.

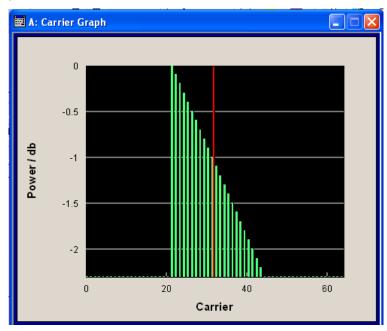
#### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:CARRier:LIST:STATe on page 592
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:CARRier:STATe on page 594
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:CARRier:LIST:POWer on page 592
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:CARRier:POWer on page 593
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:CARRier:LIST:PHASe on page 591
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:CARRier:PHASe on page 593
```

# **Carrier Graph**

Calls a graphical representation of the chosen carrier configuration.

The carriers are on the X-axis and the colored bars represent those carriers which are in the On state. Power is on the Y-axis, and the height of the bars corresponds to the chosen power of each individual carrier.



SCPI command:

n.a.

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### Trigger/Marker

Calls the "Trigger/Marker" dialog (see "Trigger/Marker/Clock Settings" on page 377).

This dialog is used to select the trigger source, set the time delay on an external trigger signal and configure the marker output signals.

SCPI command:

n.a.

### Clock

Calls the "Clock" dialog for selecting the clock source (see "Clock Settings" on page 383).

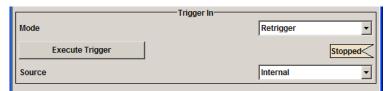
SCPI command:

n.a.

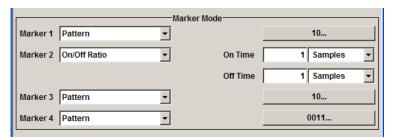
# Trigger/Marker/Clock Settings

To access this dialog, select "Main Menu > Trigger/Marker".

The "Trigger In" section is where the trigger for the signal is set. Various parameters will be provided for the settings, depending on which trigger source - internal or external - is selected. The current status of signal generation ("Running" or "Stopped") is indicated for all trigger modes.

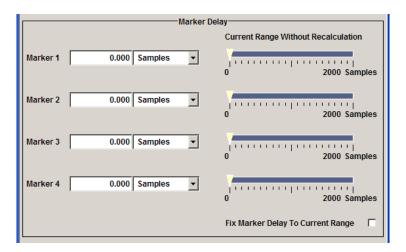


The "Marker Mode" section is where the marker signals at the MARKER output connectors are configured.

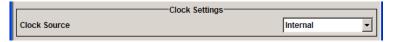


The "Marker Delay" section is where a marker signal delay can be defined, either without restriction or restricted to the dynamic section, i.e., the section in which it is possible to make settings without restarting signal and marker generation.

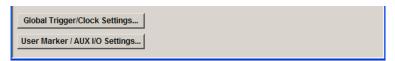
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The "Clock Settings" section is where the clock source is selected and - in the case of an external source - the clock type.



The buttons in the last section lead to submenu for general trigger, clock and mapping settings.



# Trigger In

The "Trigger In" section is where the trigger for the signal is set. Various parameters will be provided for the settings, depending on which trigger source - internal or external - is selected. The current status of signal generation ("Running" or "Stopped") is indicated for all trigger modes.

# **Trigger Mode**

Selects trigger mode.

The trigger mode determines the effect of a trigger on the signal generation.

"Auto" The signal is generated continuously.

"Retrigger" The signal is generated continuously. A trigger event (internal or exter-

nal) causes a restart.

"Armed\_Auto" The signal is generated only when a trigger event occurs. Then the

signal is generated continuously.

Button "Arm" stops signal generation. A subsequent trigger event (inter-

nal with "Execute Trigger" or external) causes a restart.

"Armed\_Ret-rigger"

The signal is generated only when a trigger event occurs. Then the signal is generated continuously. Every subsequent trigger event cau-

ses a restart.

Button "Arm" stops signal generation. A subsequent trigger event (inter-

nal with "Execute Trigger" or external) causes a restart.

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"Single"

The signal is generated only when a trigger event occurs. Then the signal is generated once to the length specified at "Signal Duration". Every subsequent trigger event (internal with "Execute Trigger" or external) causes a restart.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW[:TRIGger]:SEQuence on page 603

## Signal Duration

Defines the length of the signal sequence to be output in the "Single" trigger mode. The unit of the entry is defined under "Signal Duration Unit". It is then possible to output deliberately just part of the signal, an exact sequence of the signal, or a defined number of repetitions of the signal.

### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:TRIGger:SLENgth on page 601

## Running/Stopped

Displays the status of signal generation for all trigger modes. This display appears only when signal generation is enabled ("State" On).

"Running"

The modulation signal is generated; a trigger was (internally or exter-

nally) initiated in triggered mode.

If "Armed\_Auto" and "Armed\_Retrigger" have been selected, generation of signals can be stopped with the "Arm" button. A new trigger (internally with "Execute Trigger" or externally) causes a restart.

"Stopped"

The signal is not generated, and the instrument waits for a trigger event (internal or external).

# SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:TRIGger:RMODe on page 601
```

#### Arm

Stops signal generation. This button appears only with "Running" signal generation in the "Armed\_Auto" and "Armed\_Retrigger" trigger modes.

Signal generation can be restarted by a new trigger (internally with "Execute Trigger" or externally).

#### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:TRIGger:ARM:EXECute on page 599
```

## **Execute Trigger**

Executes trigger manually. A manual trigger can be executed only when an internal trigger source and a trigger mode other than "Auto" have been selected.

# SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:TRIGger:EXECute on page 599
```

## **Trigger Source**

Selects trigger source. This setting is effective only when a trigger mode other than "Auto" has been selected.

"Internal" The trigger event is executed by "Execute Trigger".

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"External The trigger event is executed with the aid of the active edge of an exter-(TRIGGER 1 / nal trigger signal.

2)" The trigger signal is supplied via the TRIGGER connector.

The polarity, the trigger threshold and the input impedance of the TRIGGER input can be set in the "Global Trigger/Clock Settings" dialog.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:TRIGger:SOURce on page 602

# Sync. Output to External Trigger

(enabled for Trigger Source External)

Enables/disables output of the signal synchronous to the external trigger event.

#### For R&S SMBV instruments:

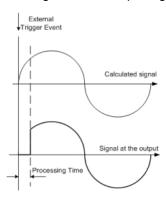
For or two or more R&S SMBVs configured to work in a master-slave mode for synchronous signal generation, configure this parameter depending on the provided system trigger event and the properties of the output signal. See the table below for an overview of the required settings.

Table 5-12: Typical Applications

System Trigger	Application	"Sync. Output to External Trigger"
Common External Trigger event for the master and the slave instru-	All instruments are synchronous to the external trigger event	ON
ments	All instruments are synchronous among themselves but starting the signal from first symbol is more important than synchronicity with external trigger event	OFF
Internal trigger signal of the master R&S SMBV for the slave instruments	All instruments are synchronous among themselves	OFF

"On" Corresponds to the default state of this parameter.

The signal calculation starts simultaneously with the external trigger event but because of the instrument's processing time the first samples are cut off and no signal is outputted. After elapsing of the internal processing time, the output signal is synchronous to the trigger event.

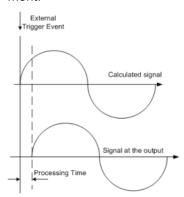


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"Off"

The signal output begins after elapsing of the processing time and starts with sample 0, i.e. the complete signal is outputted.

This mode is recommended for triggering of short signal sequences with signal duration comparable with the processing time of the instrument.



#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:TRIGger:EXTernal:SYNChronize:OUTPut on page 600

#### **Trigger Delay**

Sets the trigger signal delay in samples on external triggering or on internal triggering via the second path.

Sets the trigger signal delay in samples on external triggering.

This enables the R&S Signal Generator to be synchronized with the device under test or other external devices.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:TRIGger[:EXTernal<ch>]:DELay on page 602

# **Trigger Inhibit**

Sets the duration for inhibiting a new trigger event subsequent to triggering. The input is to be expressed in samples.

In the "Retrigger" mode, every trigger signal causes signal generation to restart. This restart is inhibited for the specified number of samples.

This parameter is only available on external triggering.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:TRIGger[:EXTernal<ch>]:INHibit on page 602

### **Marker Mode**

The marker output signal for synchronizing external instruments is configured in the marker settings section "Marker Mode".

The R&S SMBV supports only two markers.

#### **Marker Mode**

Selects a marker signal for the associated "MARKER" output.

"Restart" A marker signal is generated at the start of the waveform.

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"Pulse"

A regular marker signal is generated. The pulse frequency is defined by entering a divider. The frequency is derived by dividing the sample rate by the divider. The input box for the divider opens when "Pulse" is selected, and the resulting pulse frequency is displayed below it.

#### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:PULSe:DIVider on page 607
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:PULSe:FREQuency
on page 607
```

"Pattern "

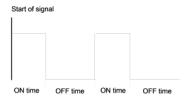
A marker signal that is defined by a bit pattern is generated. The pattern has a maximum length of 64 bits and is defined in an input field which opens when pattern is selected.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:PATTern on page 606

"ON/OFF Period" A regular marker signal that is defined by an ON/OFF ratio is generated. A period lasts one ON and OFF cycle.

The "ON Time" and "OFF Time" are each expressed as a number of samples and are set in an input field which opens when ON/OFF ratio is selected.



# SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:ONTime on page 606
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:OFFTime on page 606
```

### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:MODE on page 605

# Marker Delay

The delay of the signals on the MARKER outputs is set in the "Marker Delay" section.

The R&S SMBV supports only two markers.

#### Marker x Delay

Enters the delay between the marker signal at the marker outputs and the start of the frame or slot.

The input is expressed as a number of symbols. If the setting "Fix marker delay to dynamic range" is enabled, the setting range is restricted to the dynamic range. In this range the delay of the marker signals can be set without restarting the marker and signal.

# SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:DELay on page 604
```

### **Current Range without Recalculation**

Displays the dynamic range within which the delay of the marker signals can be set without restarting the marker and signal.

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The delay can be defined by moving the setting mark.

#### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:DELay:MINimum on page 605
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:DELay:MAXimum on page 604
```

#### Fix marker delay to current range

Restricts the marker delay setting range to the dynamic range. In this range the delay can be set without restarting the marker and signal.

#### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:TRIGger:OUTPut:DELay:FIXed on page 604
```

# **Clock Settings**

The Clock Settings is used to set the clock source and a delay if required.

#### Sync. Mode

Selects the synchronization mode.

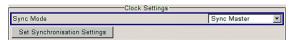
This parameter is used to enable generation of very precise synchronous signal of several connected R&S SMBVs.

**Note:** If several instruments are connected, the connecting cables from the master instrument to the slave one and between each two consecutive slave instruments must have the same length and type.

Avoid unnecessary cable length and branching points.

"None" The instrument is working in stand-alone mode.

"Sync. Master" The instrument provides all connected instrument with its synchronisation (including the trigger signal) and reference clock signal.



"Sync. Slave"

The instrument receives the synchronisation and reference clock signal from another instrument working in a master mode.

#### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:CLOCk:SYNChronization:MODE on page 609
```

#### **Set Synchronization Settings**

Performs automatically adjustment of the instrument's settings required for the synchronization mode, selected with the parameter "Synchronization Mode".

#### SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:CLOCk:SYNChronization:EXECute on page 610
```

### **Clock Source**

Selects the clock source.

"Internal" The internal clock reference is used to generate the symbol clock.

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"External" The external clock reference is fed in as the symbol clock or multiple

thereof via the CLOCK connector.

The polarity of the clock input can be changed with the aid of "Global

Trigger/Clock Settings".

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:CLOCk:SOURce on page 609

#### **Clock Mode**

Enters the type of externally supplied clock.

"Sample" A sample clock is supplied via the CLOCK connector.

"Multiple Sam- A multiple of the sample clock is supplied via the CLOCK connector;

ple" the sample clock is derived internally from this.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:CLOCk:MODE on page 608

#### **Clock Multiplier**

Enters the multiplication factor for clock type "Multiple".

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:CLOCk:MULTiplier on page 608

#### **Measured External Clock**

Indicates the measured frequency of the external clock signal. This enables the user to permanently monitor the frequency of the externally introduced clock.

This information is displayed only if the external clock source has been selected.

#### SCPI command:

CLOCk: INPut: FREQuency?

# 5.9 External Baseband Signal - Baseband Input

The R&S Signal Generator makes it possible to feed an external analog or digital baseband signal into the signal path.

User-specific wanted signals or interference signals can be detuned or loaded with noise (see description chapter 5.6, "Impairment of Digital I/Q Signal and Noise Generator - AWGN/IMP Block", on page 248).

An analog signal is fed in via the "I/Q" connectors and then A/D-converted. The complex analog baseband input bandwidth is 60 MHz, i.e. the I and Q components of the signal are each filtered with a 30 MHz lowpass.

Digital signals are input via the digital interface DIGITAL IQ IN/OUT at the rear of the instrument. This interface provides direct communication with other R&S instruments. Additionally, the external digital signal interface module (R&S EX-IQ-BOX) can be connected, providing parallel or serial signal transmission from external devices. The externally input signal can be frequency and offset shifted.

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The DIGITAL IQ IN/OUT interface is designed for signal input or output. If you switch on, e.g. signal input, the signal output is automatically switched off, and vice versa.

The following section describes the settings for configuring an input signal. Refer to chapter 5.7, "Digital I/Q Output Settings", on page 267 for information concerning signal output.

The equipment options for the basic unit (R&S SMBV with frequency option R&S SMBV-B10x) includes option R&S SMBV-K18 (Digital Baseband Connectivity) and options R&S SMBV-B10/50/51 (Baseband Generator).

The range for the sample rate of the external digital signals is 400 Hz to 100 MHz. The resampler operates in such a way that a baseband signal with a sample rate of less than 100 MHz is interpolated on the 100-MHz sample rate and then used as output.

A sample rate less than 100 MHz must fulfill the following condition:

Sample Rate \* 0.31 >= Modulation Bandwidth

With a sample rate of 100 MHz (Sample Rate Source "User Defined"), the modulation bandwidth has a value of 40 MHz.

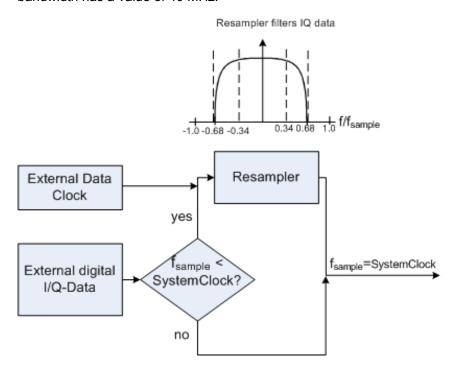


Fig. 5-22: External Baseband Signals

For sample rates in the range of 400 Hz ... <100 MHz, the external clock must be provided, it is required to reconstruct the signal (Baseband In Mode "Digital Input" (Sample Rate Source "Digital I/Q In")).



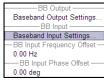
The signal source (typically a second R&S Instrument) and the receiving R&S Instrument have to be synchronized.

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Analog Wideband I/Q In and Baseband Input are not possible simultaneously and therefore switch each other off. In addition to the I/Q impairments in the Impairments block, it is also possible to set analog I/Q impairments in the I/Q Modulator menu of the R&S Signal Generator.

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Settings for frequency and phase offset are available in the "BB In/Out" function block or in the "BB In/Out" menu which is opened using the MENU key.

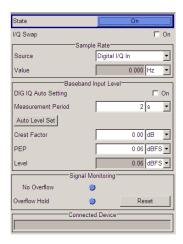


The external baseband signal is activated by switching on in the "Baseband Input" settings menu as well as by ticking the checkbox of the "BB In/Out" function block.

Select "Baseband Input Settings" in the menu to open the "Baseband Input Settings" dialog (see chapter 5.9.1.1, "Baseband Input Settings Menu", on page 386). The menu additioanly provides access to the "Baseband Output Settings" dialog (see chapter 5.7, "Digital I/Q Output Settings", on page 267) and the entry of frequency and phase offset.

### 5.9.1.1 Baseband Input Settings Menu

The settings for the external baseband signal are available in the "BB In/Out" function block or in the "BB In/Out" menu which is opened using the MENU key.



#### **Baseband Input General Settings**

#### **State**

Switches On/Off the feeding of an external digital signal into the signal path.

**Note:** Analog signals are directly applied to the I/Q modulator. The settings are made in the I/Q Mod menu (see section chapter 5.5, "I/Q Modulation - I/Q Mod Block", on page 235).

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"On" Switches On the external I/Q input signal of the "BB In/Out" block. The

input symbol displays the active signal mode.

"Off" Switches Off the external I/Q input signal.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce]:BBIN:STATe on page 615

# I/Q-Swap

Activates swapping of the I and Q signal components, which mirrors the spectrum at the f=0 line and inverts the sign of the frequency.

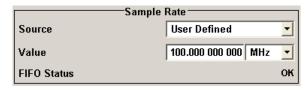
The I/Q swap may be needed if an external CDMA signal is to be added to an internally generated baseband signal (see description "Digital Standard CDMA2000").

SCPI command:

[:SOURce]:BBIN:IQSWap[:STATe] on page 612

#### Sample Rate

For digital input signals the section "Sample Rate" is available in the "Baseband Input Settings" dialog. The sample rate of the external digital baseband signal can be set and the state of signal transmission is indicated by the FIFO Status.



#### Sample Rate Source

Selects the source for estimating the sample rate or defining it by the user.

"User Defined" Enables the user to define the sample rate in the entry field value.

"Digital I/Q In" Estimates the sample rate on the digital I/Q input and displays the value

in the value field.

**Note:** Estimation works best if the sample rate is close to the user defined value.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BBIN:SRATe:SOURce on page 615

# **Sample Rate Value**

Sets the sample rate of the external digital baseband input signal.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce]:BBIN:SRATe:ACTual on page 614

# **FIFO Status**

Digital Input only

Indicates the state of the signal transmission.

**Note:** The FIFO status is a SCPI parameter that is not displayed in the GUI.

"OK" Resampling is working properly.

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"OFL = Over- The external sample rate frequency is too high which causes an over-

flow" flow in signal transmission.

"URUN = The external sample rate frequency is too low which causes an under-

Underrun" run in signal transmission.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BBIN:SRATe:FIFO[:STATus] on page 614

#### **Baseband Input Level**

The crest factor and the peak power of the external baseband signal are entered in the section "Baseband Input Level". These values are necessary for a correct internal signal processing in the R&S Signal Generator. They can also be automatically estimated by a measurement using the "Auto Level Set" button.



# **DIG IQ Auto Setting**

Activates automatic adjustment of the baseband input signal.

The R&S SMBV receives PEP, level and crest factor values directly from the connected transmitter and recognizes changes automatically.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BBIN:DIGital:ASETting:STATe on page 611

# **Measurement Period**

Sets the recording duration for measuring the baseband input signal by

"Auto Level Set". For accurate level measurements, the measurement period should be set to a time value that is long enough to capture several periods of the input signal.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BBIN:MPERiod on page 612

# **Auto Level Set**

Starts measuring the input signal. The measurement estimates the crest factor, the peak power and rms power. The estimated values are automatically entered into the input fields "Crest Factor", "PEP" and "Level". Using these estimated values the internal gain control adjusts the input signal gain to achieve an optimal dynamic range.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce]:BBIN:ALEVel:EXECute on page 610

#### **Crest Factor**

Sets the crest factor of the external analog or digital baseband signal. Indicates the crest factor acquired with "Auto Level Set".

SCPI command:

[:SOURce]:BBIN:CFACtor on page 611

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#### **PEP**

Enters the peak level of the external analog or digital baseband signal relative to full scale of 0.5 V (in terms of dB full scale).

Indicates the peak level acquired with "Auto Level Set".

SCPI command:

[:SOURce]:BBIN:POWer:PEAK on page 613

#### Level

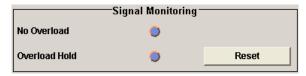
Indicates the estimated rms level acquired with "Auto Level Set".

SCPI command:

[:SOURce]:BBIN:POWer:RMS on page 614

#### **Signal Monitoring**

The section "Signal Monitoring" indicates the overload of the A/D - Converter.



#### **Overload**

Indicates that the I/Q input is currently overloaded. This indication also appears in the block diagram close to the I/Q connector of the Baseband Input block.

If overload is indicated either the amplitude of the external signal is too high (full scale of 0.5 V) and must be reduced or the entered "Peak Level" (in dB full scale) value does not correspond with the real value and must be corrected. It also can be evaluated automatically with button "Auto Level Set".

SCPI command:

[:SOURce]:BBIN:OLOad:STATe on page 613

#### **Overload Hold**

Indicates an overload since last reset for evaluating the measurement.

The Overload Hold state can be reset via the "Reset" button next to the LED, or is reset automatically by starting a new measurement ("Auto Level Set") or by setting new values (Crest Factor, PEP, Level).

SCPI command:

```
[:SOURce]:BBIN:OLOad:HOLD:STATe on page 613
```

#### Reset

Executes a reset of the Overload Hold State and LED.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce]:BBIN:OLOad:HOLD:STATe on page 613

#### **Connected Device**

Indicates the ID and the transmitter sample rate, if supported by the transmitter.

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**Note:** The connected instrument is indicated only, if the connection is properly established and signal transmission is active.

SCPI command:

[:SOURce<hw>]:BBIN:CDEVice on page 610

#### 5.9.1.2 Frequency and Phase Offset

A frequency and a phase offset can be added to the baseband signal. Define the parameters "BB Input Frequency Offset" and "BB Input Phase Offset" in the "Baseband In/Out" block menu.

# **Frequency Offset**

Enters the frequency offset for the external baseband signal.

The offset affects the signal on the output of the "Baseband In/Out" block.

It shifts the useful baseband signal in the center frequency.

The complex I/Q bandwidth of the shifted useful signal must not exceed 120 MHz in total (see also "Frequency Offset" on page 272).

The following applies:

```
f_{offset} - f_{use} /2 >= -120 MHz /2 and f_{offset} + f_{use} /2 <= +120 MHz /2
```

 $f_{use}$  = the complex useful bandwidth of the I/Q signal before the offset.

f<sub>offset</sub> = frequency offset.

**Note:** The bandwidth as shown above applies to the R&S SMBV, equipped with options R&S SMBV-B10 or R&S SMBV-B50.

Option R&S SMBV-B51 provides a range of -30 MHz ... +30 MHz, i.e. -60 MHz /2 ... +60 MHz /2.

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# **Example:**

The following graph shows the setting range for the frequency offset.

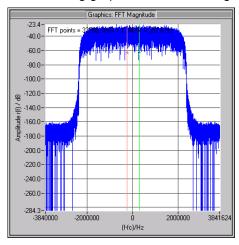


Fig. 5-23: 3GPP FDD signal (chip rate 3.84 Mcps, root-cosine filter 0.22).

The complex useful bandwidth of a signal which has been filtered using a root-cosine filter with roll off alpha is calculated as follows:

$$f_{use} = (1 + alpha) * f_{symbol}$$

 $f_{\text{symbol}}$  = the symbol rate or chip rate of the signal.

In the example the complex useful bandwidth is calculated as follows:

$$f_{use} = (1 + 0.22) * 3.84 MHz = 4.6848 MHz.$$

So as to comply with the condition requiring a maximum I/Q bandwidth of 40 MHz, the valid range of values for the frequency offset is then:

-60 MHz + 
$$4.6848$$
 MHz /2 <=  $f_{offset}$  <= 60 MHz -  $4.6848$  MHz /2 or

$$-57.6576 \text{ MHz} \le f_{\text{offset}} \le 57.6576 \text{ MHz}$$

In the case of ARB signals, the output clock rate can be used for estimating the maximum I/Q bandwidth of the waveform.

#### SCPI command:

[:SOURce]:BBIN:FOFFset on page 611

#### **Phase Offset**

Enters the phase offset for the external baseband signal.

The offset affects the signal on the output of the "Baseband In/Out" block.

SCPI command:

n.a.

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# 6 Remote Control Basics

This chapter provides basic information on operating an instrument via remote control.

# 6.1 Remote Control Interfaces and Protocols

The instrument supports different interfaces for remote control. The following table gives an overview.

Table 6-1: Remote control interfaces and protocols

Interface	Protocols, VISA*) address string	Remarks
Local Area Net- work (LAN)	Protocols:  HiSLIP High-Speed LAN Instrument Protocol (IVI-6.1) VISA') address string: TCPIP::host address:: hislip0[::INSTR]  VXI-11 VISA') address string: TCPIP::host address[:: LAN device name][::INSTR]  socket communication (Raw Ethernet, simple telnet) VISA') address string: TCPIP::host address[:: LAN device name]:: <pre>TCPIP::host address[:: LAN device name]::<pre>TCPIP::host address[:: LAN device name]::<pre>TCPIP::host address[:: LAN device name]::<pre>TCPIP::host address[:: LAN device name]::<pre>TCPIP::host address[:: LAN device name]::</pre></pre></pre></pre></pre>	A LAN connector is located on the front or rear panel of the instrument, or both.  The interface is based on TCP/IP and supports various protocols.  For a description of the protocols refer to:  chapter 6.1.3.1, "HiSLIP Protocol", on page 395  chapter 6.1.3.2, "VXI-11 Protocol", on page 396  chapter 6.1.3.3, "Socket Communication", on page 396
Serial Interface	VISA') address string: ASRL[0-9][::INSTR]	For a description of the interface refer to chapter 6.1.5, "Serial Interface", on page 397.
GPIB (IEC/IEEE Bus Interface)	VISA*) address string:  GPIB::primary address[::INSTR]  (no secondary address)	Optional GPIB bus interfaces according to standard IEC 625.1/ IEEE 488.1 are located on the rear panel of the instrument.  For a description of the interface refer to chapter 6.1.6, "GPIB Interface (IEC/IEEE Bus Interface)", on page 398.

<sup>\*)</sup> VISA is a standardized software interface library providing input and output functions to communicate with instruments. A VISA installation on the controller is a prerequisite for remote control over LAN (when using VXI-11 or HiSLIP protocol), USB and serial interface. However, no VISA installation is necessary to remote control while using socket communication. For more information, see chapter 6.1.1, "VISA Libraries", on page 393.



Within this interface description, the term GPIB is used as a synonym for the IEC/IEEE bus interface.

# **SCPI (Standard Commands for Programmable Instruments)**

SCPI commands - messages - are used for remote control. Commands that are not taken from the SCPI standard follow the SCPI syntax rules. The instrument supports the SCPI version 1999. The SCPI standard is based on standard IEEE 488.2 and aims at the standardization of device-specific commands, error handling and the status registers. The tutorial "Automatic Measurement Control - A tutorial on SCPI and IEEE 488.2" from

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John M. Pieper (R&S order number 0002.3536.00) offers detailed information on concepts and definitions of SCPI.

Tables provide a fast overview of the bit assignment in the status registers. The tables are supplemented by a comprehensive description of the status registers.

#### 6.1.1 VISA Libraries

VISA is a standardized software interface library providing input and output functions to communicate with instruments. The I/O channel (LAN or TCP/IP, USB, GPIB,...) is selected at initialization time by means of the channel–specific address string ("VISA resource string"), or by an appropriately defined VISA alias (short name). A VISA installation is a prerequisite for remote control using the following interfaces:

- chapter 6.1.3, "LAN Interface", on page 394
- chapter 6.1.3.2, "VXI-11 Protocol", on page 396
- chapter 6.1.4, "USB Interface", on page 397
- chapter 6.1.6, "GPIB Interface (IEC/IEEE Bus Interface)", on page 398
- chapter 6.1.5, "Serial Interface", on page 397

For more information about VISA refer to the user documentation.

# 6.1.2 Messages

The messages transferred on the data lines are divided into the following categories:

- Interface messages
   Interface messages are transmitted to the instrument on the data lines, with the
   attention line being active (LOW). They are used to communicate between the controller and the instrument. Interface messages can only be sent by instruments that
   have GPIB bus functionality. For details see the sections for the required interface.
- Instrument messages
   Instrument messages are employed in the same way for all interfaces, if not indicated otherwise in the description. Structure and syntax of the instrument messages are described in chapter 6.3, "SCPI Command Structure", on page 413. A detailed description of all messages available for the instrument is provided in the chapter "Remote Control Commands".

There are different types of instrument messages, depending on the direction they are sent:

- Commands
- Instrument responses

# Commands

Commands (program messages) are messages the controller sends to the instrument. They operate the instrument functions and request information. The commands are subdivided according to two criteria:

According to the effect they have on the instrument:

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- Setting commands cause instrument settings such as a reset of the instrument or setting the frequency.
- Queries cause data to be provided for remote control, e.g. for identification of the instrument or polling a parameter value. Queries are formed by directly appending a question mark to the command header.
- According to their definition in standards:
  - Common commands: their function and syntax are precisely defined in standard IEEE 488.2. They are employed identically on all instruments (if implemented).
     They refer to functions such as management of the standardized status registers, reset and self test.
  - Instrument control commands refer to functions depending on the features of
    the instrument such as frequency settings. Many of these commands have also
    been standardized by the SCPI committee. These commands are marked as
    "SCPI compliant" in the command reference chapters. Commands without this
    SCPI label are device-specific, however, their syntax follows SCPI rules as permitted by the standard.

# Instrument responses

Instrument responses (response messages and service requests) are messages the instrument sends to the controller after a query. They can contain measurement results, instrument settings and information on the instrument status.

#### 6.1.3 LAN Interface

To be integrated in a LAN, the instrument is equipped with a LAN interface, consisting of a connector, a network interface card and protocols. For remote control via a network, the PC and the instrument must be connected via the LAN interface to a common network with TCP/IP network protocol. They are connected using a commercial RJ45 cable. The TCP/IP network protocol and the associated network services are preconfigured on the instrument. Software for instrument control and (for specified protocols only) the VISA program library must be installed on the controller.

#### **VISA library**

Instrument access via VXI-11 or HiSLIP protocols is usually achieved from high level programming platforms using VISA as an intermediate abstraction layer. VISA encapsulates the low level VXI or GPIB function calls and thus makes the transport interface transparent for the user. See chapter 6.1.1, "VISA Libraries", on page 393 for details.

#### **IP address**

Only the IP address or the computer name (LAN device name) is required to set up the connection. The IP address/computer name is part of the "visa resource string" used by the programs to identify and control the instrument.

# Forms of the VISA resource string:

```
TCPIP::host address[::LAN device name][::INSTR]
or
```

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TCPIP::host address::port::SOCKET

#### where

- TCPIP designates the network protocol used
- host address is the IP address or host name of the device
- LAN device name defines the protocol and the instance number of a sub-instrument:
  - inst0 selects the VXI-11 protocol (optional, default)
  - hislip0 selects the newer HiSLIP protocol
- **INSTR** indicates the instrument resource class (optional)
- port determines the used port number
- SOCKET indicates the raw network socket resource class

#### **Example:**

 Instrument has the IP address 192.1.2.3; the valid resource string using VXI-11 protocol is:

```
TCPIP::192.1.2.3::INSTR
```

• The DNS host name name is *RSSM1*; the valid resource string is:

```
TCPIP::RSSM1::hislip0 (HiSLIP)
TCPIP::RSSM1::INSTR (VXI-11)
```

A raw socket connection can be established using:

```
TCPIP::192.1.2.3::5025::SOCKET
```



# Identifying instruments in a network

If several instruments are connected to the network, each instrument has its own IP address and associated resource string. The controller identifies these instruments by means of the resource string.

# 6.1.3.1 HiSLIP Protocol

The HiSLIP (**High Speed LAN Instrument Protocol**) is the successor protocol for VXI-11 for TCP-based instruments specified by the IVI foundation. The protocol uses two TCP sockets for a single connection - one for fast data transfer, the other for non-sequential control commands (e.g. Device Clear or SRQ).

HiSLIP has the following characteristics:

- High performance as with raw socket network connections
- Compatible IEEE 488.2 support for Message Exchange Protocol, Device Clear, Serial Poll, Remote/Local, Trigger, and Service Request
- Uses a single IANA registered port (4880), which simplifies the configuration of firewalls
- Supports simultaneous access of multiple users by providing versatile locking mechanisms
- Usable for IPv6 or IPv4 networks

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Note that HiSLIP data is sent to the device using the "fire and forget" method with immediate return, as opposed to VXI-11, where each operation is blocked until a VXI-11 device handshake returns. Thus, a successful return of a VISA operation such as <code>viWrite()</code> does not guarantee that the instrument has finished or started the requested command, but is delivered to the TCP/IP buffers.

#### 6.1.3.2 VXI-11 Protocol

The VXI-11 standard is based on the ONC RPC (Open Network Computing Remote Procedure Call) protocol which in turn relies on TCP/IP as the network/transport layer. The TCP/IP network protocol and the associated network services are preconfigured. TCP/IP ensures connection-oriented communication, where the order of the exchanged messages is adhered to and interrupted links are identified. With this protocol, messages cannot be lost.

# 6.1.3.3 Socket Communication

An alternative way for remote control of the software is to establish a simple network communication using sockets. The socket communication, also referred as "Raw Ethernet communication", does not necessary require a VISA installation on the remote controller side.

The simplest way to establish socket communication is to use the built-in telnet program. The telnet program is part of every operating system and supports a communication with the software on a command-by-command basis. For better utilization and to enable automation by means of programs, user defined sockets can be programmed.

Socket connections are established on a specially defined port. The socket address is a combination of the IP address or the host name of the instrument and the number of the port configured for remote-control. All R&S Signal Generator use port number 5025 for this purpose. The port is configured for communication on a command-to-command basis and for remote control from a program.

# 6.1.3.4 LAN Interface Messages

In the LAN connection, the interface messages are called low–level control messages. These messages can be used to emulate interface messages of the GPIB bus.

Command	Long term	Effect on the instrument
&ABO	Abort	Aborts processing of the commands just received.
&DCL	Device Clear	Aborts processing of the commands just received and sets the command processing software to a defined initial state. Does not change the instrument setting.
&GTL	Go to Local	Transition to the "local" state (manual control).
&GTR	Go to Remote	Transition to the "remote" state (remote control).

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Command	Long term	Effect on the instrument
&GET	Group Execute Trigger	Triggers a previously active instrument function (e.g. a sweep). The effect of the command is the same as with that of a pulse at the external trigger signal input.
&LLO	Local Lockout	Disables switchover from remote control to manual control by means of the front panel keys.
&NREN	Not Remote Enable	Enables switchover from remote control to manual operation by means of the front panel keys
&POL	Serial Poll	Starts a serial poll.

# 6.1.4 USB Interface

For remote control via the USB connection, the PC and the instrument must be connected via the USB type B interface. A USB connection requires the VISA library to be installed. VISA detects and configures the R&S instrument automatically when the USB connection is established. You do not have to enter an address string or install a separate driver.

#### **USB** address

The used USB address string is:

```
USB::<vendor ID>::cproduct ID>::<serial number>[::INSTR]
```

#### where:

- <vendor ID> is the vendor ID for Rohde&Schwarz
- product ID> is the product ID for the R&S instrument
- <serial number> is the individual serial number on the rear of the instrument

#### Example:

```
USB::0x0AAD::0x005F::100001::INSTR
```

0x0AAD is the vendor ID for Rohde&Schwarz

0x5F is the product ID for the R&S SMBV

100001 is the serial number of the particular instrument

# 6.1.5 Serial Interface

Remote control via the serial interface is possible either via RS232 interface or via a Bluetooth connection. The controller/Bluetooth device and the instrument must be connected via an external USB/serial-adapter (see recommended extras, data sheet) and a serial crossover (null modem) cable. A USB connection requires the VISA library to be installed on the controller. VISA will detect and configure the R&S SMBV automatically when the USB connection is established.

#### Serial address

The used serial address string is:

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ASRL[0-9][::INSTR]

where ASRL[0-9] determines the number of the COM port on the controller side, that has to be used for the serial connection.

Access via a bluetooth device requires the entry of the bluetooth pin in addition (see chapter 5.2.3.16, "Security", on page 128).

To enable an error-free and correct data transmission, the parameters of the generator and the controller must have the same setting. The serial interface is preset for a baud rate 115200, no parity and one stop bit. The parameters can be manually changed in "Remote Channel Settings" dialog (see chapter 5.2.3.14, "Remote Channel Settings", on page 124).

# 6.1.6 GPIB Interface (IEC/IEEE Bus Interface)

To be able to control the instrument via the GPIB bus, the instrument and the controller must be linked by a GPIB bus cable. A GPIB bus card, the card drivers and the program libraries for the programming language used must be provided in the controller. The controller must address the instrument with the GPIB bus address (see chapter 6.1.6.2, "GPIB Instrument Address", on page 399).

#### Characteristics

The GPIB interface is described by the following characteristics:

- Up to 15 instruments can be connected
- The total cable length is restricted to a maximum of 15 m; the cable length between two instruments should not exceed 2m.
- A wired "OR"-connection is used if several instruments are connected in parallel, since the slowest instrument determines the speed.



Any connected IEC bus cable must be terminated by an instrument or controller.

# 6.1.6.1 **GPIB Interface Messages**

Interface messages are transmitted to the instrument on the data lines, with the attention line (ATN) being active (LOW). They are used for communication between the controller and the instrument and can only be sent by a computer which has the function of a GPIB bus controller. GPIB interface messages can be further subdivided into:

- Universal commands: act on all instruments connected to the GPIB bus without previous addressing
- Addressed commands: only act on instruments previously addressed as listeners

# **Universal Commands**

Universal commands are encoded in the range 10 through 1F hex. They affect all instruments connected to the bus and do not require addressing.

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Command	Effect on the instrument
DCL (Device Clear)	Aborts the processing of the commands just received and sets the command processing software to a defined initial state. Does not change the instrument settings.
IFC (Interface Clear) *)	Resets the interfaces to the default setting.
LLO (Local Lockout)	The LOC/IEC ADDR key is disabled.
SPE (Serial Poll Enable)	Ready for serial poll.
SPD (Serial Poll Disable)	End of serial poll.
PPU (Parallel Poll Unconfigure)	End of the parallel-poll state.
*) IFC is not a real universal command, it is sent via a separate line; however, it also affects all instruments connected to the bus and does not require addressing	

**Addressed Commands** 

Addressed commands are encoded in the range 00 through 0F hex. They only affect instruments addressed as listeners.

Command	Effect on the instrument
GET (Group Execute Trigger)	Triggers a previously active instrument function (e.g. a sweep). The effect of the command is the same as with that of a pulse at the external trigger signal input.
GTL (Go to Local)	Transition to the "local" state (manual control).
GTR (Go to Remote)	Transition to the "remote" state (remote control).
PPC (Parallel Poll Configure)	Configures the instrument for parallel poll.
SDC (Selected Device Clear)	Aborts the processing of the commands just received and sets the command processing software to a defined initial state. Does not change the instrument setting.

#### 6.1.6.2 GPIB Instrument Address

In order to operate the instrument via remote control, it must be addressed using the GPIB address. The remote control address is factory preset, but it can be changed if it does not fit in the network environment. For remote control, addresses 0 through 30 are allowed. The GPIB address is maintained after a reset of the instrument settings.

# Changing the GPIB address of the instrument

The GPIB address can be changed manually or using a remote control command.

1. Manually: press the SETUP key and select "Remote > GPIB".



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Select parameter "GPIB channel address" and set the GPIB address.

2. Using remote control command:

SYST: COMM: GPIB: ADDR 18

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The instrument and the controller have to be connected with the suitable cable and switched on.

A remote control program must open a connection to the instrument (using VISA functionality), before it can send commands to and receive device responses from the instrument.



#### **Instrument Address**

In order to operate the instrument via remote control it must be addressed using the defined interface address. See chapter 6.1.3, "LAN Interface", on page 394, chapter 6.1.4, "USB Interface", on page 397, chapter 6.1.5, "Serial Interface", on page 397or chapter 6.1.6, "GPIB Interface (IEC/IEEE Bus Interface)", on page 398 for details.



The VISA resource strings are indicated in the "Setup > Remote Channel Settings" menu.

Refer to chapter 6.2.3, "Examples", on page 402 for practical examples on setting up of a remote control link and starting of a remote control session.

# 6.2.1 Switching to Remote Control

When it is switched on, the instrument is always in the manual operating state and can be operated via the front panel controls (for instruments equipped with a display) or via mouse and external keyboard.

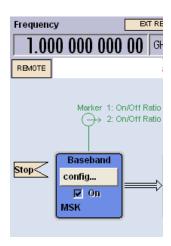
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1. Send a command from a controller to the instrument.

The instrument is switched to remote control as soon as it receives a command from the controller.

While remote control is active, operation via the front panel or via mouse and keyboard is disabled and "REMOTE" is displayed in the status line.

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The instrument remains in the remote state until it is reset to the manual state via the instrument or via the remote control interface (see chapter 6.2.2, "Returning to Manual Operation", on page 401).

**Tip:** Switching from manual operation to remote control and vice versa does not affect the other instrument settings.

- 2. Although operation via front panel, mouse and keyboard is disabled, the dialog boxes can still be opened, e.g. to verify settings, but buttons and setting fields are displayed in gray and cannot be activated.
  - Use the command SYST: KLOC ON to disable the access to the dialogs.
- To prevent unintentional return to manual operation, disable the LOCAL key of the instrument using the &LLO command (see chapter 6.1.3.4, "LAN Interface Messages", on page 396).

The instrument switches to "REM-LLO" state and transition to manual mode is not anymore possible via the remote control command  $\star \texttt{GTL}$ .

- Switching to manual mode is only possible via remote control then.
- 4. Enable the LOCAL key with the interface message &NREN.

# 6.2.2 Returning to Manual Operation



Before returning to manual control, command processing must be completed. Otherwise, the instrument switches back to remote control immediately.

- ► To return to manual operation, use one of the following ways:
  - a) Press the LOCAL key on the front panel.
  - b) Select "Setup > Remote Control Channels" and press "Local".
  - c) While using the socket communication, terminate the remote control session.
  - d) Send the interface command & GTL via the remote control interface.

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Tip: Use the &NREN to enable the LOCAL key if the key is disabled.

# 6.2.3 Examples

This sections provides examples for setting up of remote control connection and starting a remote control session over LAN and GPIB interfaces.

This section assumes basic knowledge of programming and operation of the controller. A description of the interface commands can be obtained from the relevant manuals.

### 6.2.3.1 Remote Control over GPIB

The program example in this section is written in VISUAL BASIC. A condition for programming in VISUAL BASIC is that the modules NIGLOBAL (Niglobal.bas) and VBIB32 (Vbib 32.bas) are added to the projects.



Drivers for instrument, e.g. IVI-COM and LabVIEW drivers, are available in the download area of the product website (http://www2.rohde-schwarz.com/en/products/test\_and\_measurement/product\_categories/signal\_generation/).

# Starting a remote control session over GPIB

As a prerequisite, the GPIB address of the instrument, which is factory-set to 28, must not have been changed.

- 1. Connect instrument and controller using GPIB cable and switch them on.
- 2. Execute following commands on the controller:
  - a) Open port to the instrument CALL IBFIND("DEV1", generator%)
  - b) Inform controller about instrument address CALL IBPAD (generator%, 28)
  - c) Reset instrument

```
CALL IBWRT(generator%, "*RST; *CLS")
```

d) Set instrument to new address

```
CALL IBWRT (generator%, "SYST:COMM:GPIB:ADDR 18")
```

e) Inform controller about new address CALL IBPAD (generator%, 18)

The GPIB address of the instrument is changed.

3. To return to manual operation, press the LOCAL key at the front panel.

# 6.2.3.2 Remote Control over LAN using VXI-11 Protocol

Through the examples in this section, the program 'Measurement & Automation Explorer' from National Instruments under Windows operating system is used for setting up a LAN remote control link and starting a remote control session.

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# Configuring the controller



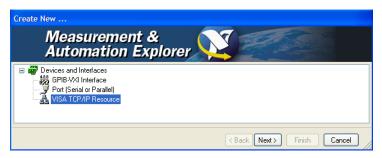
The instrument is preconfigured for networks using DHCP (dynamic host configuration protocol). If this configuration is used, enter the computer name in the position of the IP address.

To enable the external controller to communicate with the software via TCP/IP protocol, set up a remote control link as follow:

- 1. Connect the controller and the instrument to the network (network cable) and switch them on.
- 2. Start the 'Measurement & Automation Control' program on the controller.
- 3. Select "Devices and Interfaces > Create New".



4. Select "VISA TCP/IP Resource" and confirm with "Next".

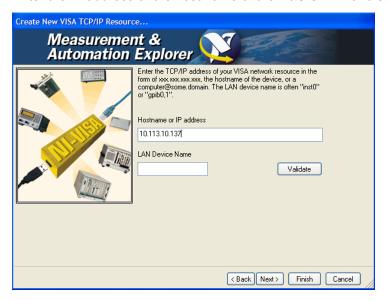


5. Choose the type of TCP/IP resource you wish to add and select Next.



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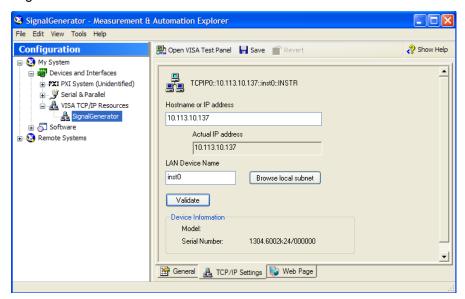
6. Enter the IP address or the host name of the R&S SMBV and select "Next".



7. Enter the alias name if required.

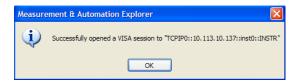
The alias name must not be mistaken for the computer name. It is only used for instrument identification within the program and displayed in the menu as an option in case of an Ethernet link.

Confirm the settings with "Finish".
 The instrument is configured and the settings are displayed in the "TCP/IP Settings" tab.



To test the connection, select "Validate".
 A message indicates whether the link to the instrument can be set up or not.

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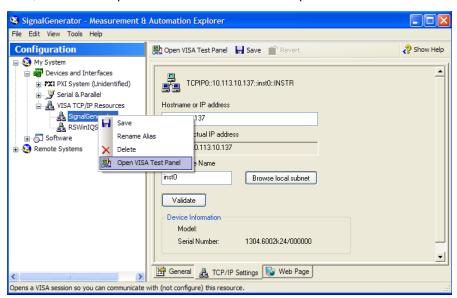


If a connection cannot be set up, check whether the controller and the instrument are connected to the network (network cable) and switched on. Correct spelling of the IP address or the computer name can also be checked. For further error location, inform the network administrator. In large networks, specification of additional addresses may be required for link setup, e.g. gateway and subnet mask, which are known to the network administrator.

The instrument is now registered in the program and can be addressed via the resource string or alias name.

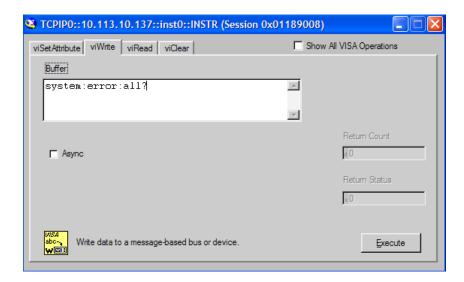
# Starting a remote control over LAN (using VXI-11)

- 1. Start the 'Measurement & Automation Explorer' on the controller.
- 2. In the "Configuration" window, select "Device and Interfaces > VISA TCP/IP Resources", select the required instrument and select "Open VISA Test Panel".



3. In the "viWrite" tab, write the command to be send to the instrument and select "Execute".

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Instrument responses are displayed on the "viRead" tab.

**Tip:** For further program operation refer to the online help of the program.

# 6.2.3.3 Remote Control over LAN using Socket Communication

This chapter provides an example on how to establish a remote control connection over telnet protocol and a simple sockets-based program example that can be further developed.

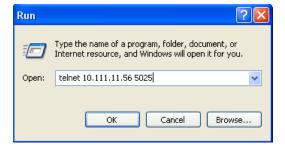
# **Setting up a Telnet Connection**

To control the software, only a telnet program is required. The telnet program is part of every operating system.

1. To establish a Telnet connection with the R&S SMBV, start the telnet program and enter the socket address.

The socket address is a combination of the IP address or the host name of the R&S SMBV and the number of the port configured for remote-control via telnet.

Tip: The R&S SMBV uses the port number 5025 for remote connection via Telnet.



The connection to the instrument is set up and remote-control commands can be sent.

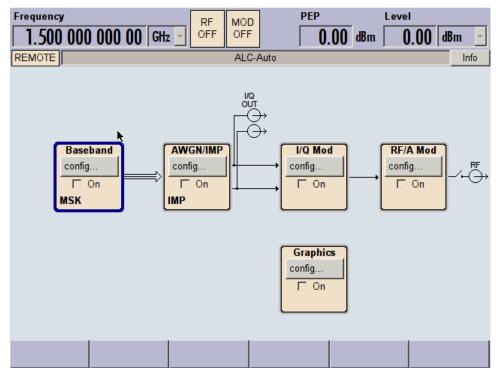
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2. Even if the cursor is not visible on the screen, enter blind a remote-control command and confirm with Enter.



After the first remote-control command had been send, the instrument is in the "REMOTE" state, i.e. instrument control from the front panel or via mouse and keyboard is disabled and "REMOTE" is displayed in the status line.



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#### Telnet program examples

The following program example shows a simple TcpClient class that is intended to explain on how to get started with programming of sockets.

The example sets up a socket communication to R&S SMBV and opens a simple user interface, very similar to the telnet, which allows input of commands. To enable real automation, further development of the program is required.

# TcpClient.h

```
#include <string>
//defines structs for socket handling
#include <netinet/in.h>
using namespace std;
typedef struct sockaddr_in SockAddrStruct;
typedef struct hostent HostInfoStruct;
class TcpClient
 public:
   TcpClient();
   ~TcpClient();
   void connectToServer( string &hostname, int port );
   void disconnect();
   void transmit( string &txString );
   void receive( string &rxString );
   string getCurrentHostName() const;
   int getCurrentPort() const;
 private:
   string
                  currentHostName;
                  currentPort;
                  currentSocketDescr;
   SockAddrStruct serverAddress;
   HostInfoStruct * currentHostInfo;
                  clientIsConnected;
                  receiveBufferSize;
   int
};
```

# TcpClient.cpp

```
#include <string>
//defines structs for socket handling
#include <netinet/in.h>
using namespace std;
typedef struct sockaddr_in SockAddrStruct;
typedef struct hostent HostInfoStruct;
class TcpClient
{
   public:
     TcpClient();
     ~TcpClient();
   void connectToServer( string &hostname, int port );
```

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```
void disconnect();
   void transmit( string &txString );
   void receive( string &rxString );
   string getCurrentHostName() const;
   int getCurrentPort() const;
  private:
   string currentHostName;
   int
                   currentPort;
                   currentSocketDescr;
   SockAddrStruct serverAddress;
   HostInfoStruct * currentHostInfo;
                  clientIsConnected;
   bool
   int
                  receiveBufferSize;
};
#include <netdb.h>
#include <netinet/in.h>
#include <unistd.h>
#include "TcpClient.h"
TcpClient::TcpClient()
: currentHostName( "" )
, currentPort( 0 )
, currentSocketDescr( 0 )
, serverAddress ( )
, currentHostInfo( NULL )
, clientIsConnected( false )
, receiveBufferSize( 1024 )
{
TcpClient::~TcpClient()
  currentHostInfo = NULL;
void TcpClient::connectToServer( string &hostname, int port )
  currentHostInfo = gethostbyname( hostname.c str());
  if( currentHostInfo == NULL )
   currentHostName = "";
   currentPort
   currentHostInfo = NULL;
   clientIsConnected = false;
   printf("error connecting host\n" );
  currentHostName = hostname;
  currentPort = port;
  currentSocketDescr = socket(AF INET, SOCK STREAM, 0);
  if( currentSocketDescr == 0 )
```

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```
currentHostName = "";
   currentPort
                      = 0;
   currentHostInfo = NULL;
   clientIsConnected = false;
   printf("can't create socket\n" );
  serverAddress.sin family = currentHostInfo->h addrtype;
  serverAddress.sin port = htons( currentPort );
 memcpy( (char *) &serverAddress.sin addr.s addr,
 \verb|currentHostInfo->h_addr_list[0]|, | \verb|currentHostInfo->h_length||);
 if( connect( currentSocketDescr, ( struct sockaddr *) &serverAddress,
 sizeof( serverAddress ) ) < 0 )</pre>
  throw string("can't connect server\n");
 clientIsConnected = true;
}
void TcpClient::disconnect()
 if( clientIsConnected )
   close( currentSocketDescr );
 currentSocketDescr = 0;
 currentHostName = "";
                    = 0:
 currentPort
 currentHostInfo = NULL;
 clientIsConnected = false;
void TcpClient::transmit( string &txString )
{
 if( !clientIsConnected )
 throw string("connection must be established before any data can be sent\n");
 char * transmitBuffer = new char[txString.length() +1];
 memcpy( transmitBuffer, txString.c str(), txString.length() );
 \label{transmitBuffer} \verb| transmitBuffer[txString.length()] = \verb| '\n'; //newline is needed! |
 if( send( currentSocketDescr, transmitBuffer, txString.length() + 1, 0 ) < 0 )
   throw string("can't transmit data\n");
 delete [] transmitBuffer;
void TcpClient::receive( string &rxString )
 if( !clientIsConnected )
 throw string("connection must be established before any data can be received\n");
```

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```
char * receiveBuffer = new char[receiveBufferSize];
  memset( receiveBuffer, 0, receiveBufferSize );
  bool receiving = true;
  while( receiving )
   int receivedByteCount = recv( currentSocketDescr,
   receiveBuffer, receiveBufferSize, 0 );
   if( receivedByteCount < 0 )</pre>
     throw string("error while receiving data\n");
   rxString += string( receiveBuffer );
   receiving = ( receivedByteCount == receiveBufferSize );
  delete [] receiveBuffer;
string TcpClient::getCurrentHostName() const
{
 return currentHostName;
int TcpClient::getCurrentPort() const
 return currentPort;
TelnetClient.cpp
#include <iostream>
#include "TcpClient.h"
void printUsage()
 cout<<"usage: EthernetRawCommand <server-ip> [scpi-command]"<<endl;</pre>
int main( int argc, char *argv[] )
 int errorCode = 0; //no error
 bool useSingleCommand = false;
 string singleCommand = "";
 string hostname = "";
                      = 5025;
  int port
```

= "";

= argv[1];

useSingleCommand = true; singleCommand = argv[2];

string input
TcpClient client;
switch( argc )

case 3:

case 2:
hostname

break;

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```
default:
    printUsage();
     return(-1);
try
 client.connectToServer( hostname, port );
 bool terminate = false;
  while( !terminate )
   char buffer[1024];
   if( useSingleCommand )
     input = singleCommand; //send string
    else
     cin.getline( buffer, 1024 );
     input = buffer;
     if( input == "end" )
        terminate = true;
    }
    if( !terminate)
     client.transmit( input ); //send string
     int qPos = input.find( "?", 0 );
     //receive string only when needed
     if(qPos > 0)
       string rcStr = "";
       client.receive( rcStr );
       cout << rcStr << endl;</pre>
      }
    }
    if( useSingleCommand )
      terminate = true;
    }
}catch( const string errorString )
 cout<<errorString<<endl;</pre>
client.disconnect();
return errorCode;
```

**SCPI Command Structure** 

# 6.3 SCPI Command Structure

SCPI commands consist of a so-called header and, in most cases, one or more parameters. The header and the parameters are separated by a "white space" (ASCII code 0 to 9, 11 to 32 decimal, e.g. blank). The headers may consist of several mnemonics (keywords). Queries are formed by appending a question mark directly to the header.

The commands can be either device-specific or device-independent (common commands). Common and device-specific commands differ in their syntax.

# 6.3.1 Syntax for Common Commands

Common (=device-independent) commands consist of a header preceded by an asterisk (\*) and possibly one or more parameters.

# **Examples:**

*RST	RESET	Resets the instrument.
*ESE	EVENT STATUS ENABLE	Sets the bits of the event status enable registers.
*ESR?	EVENT STATUS QUERY	Queries the contents of the event status register.
*IDN?	IDENTIFICATION QUERY	Queries the instrument identification string.

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# 6.3.2 Syntax for Device-Specific Commands



Not all commands used in the following examples are necessarily implemented in the instrument.

For demonstration purposes only, assume the existence of the following commands for this section:

- DISPlay[:WINDow<1...4>]:MAXimize <Boolean>
- FORMat:READings:DATA <type>[, <length>]
- HCOPy:DEVice:COLor <Boolean>
- HCOPy:DEVice:CMAP:COLor:RGB <red>, <green>, <blue>
- HCOPy[:IMMediate]
- HCOPy:ITEM:ALL
- HCOPy:ITEM:LABel <string>
- HCOPy:PAGE:DIMensions:QUADrant[<N>]
- HCOPy:PAGE:ORIentation LANDscape | PORTrait
- HCOPy:PAGE:SCALe <numeric value>
- MMEMory:COPY <file source>,<file destination>
- SENSE:BANDwidth|BWIDth[:RESolution] <numeric value>
- SENSe:FREQuency:STOP <numeric value>
- SENSe:LIST:FREQuency <numeric value>{,<numeric value>}

# Long and short form

The mnemonics feature a long form and a short form. The short form is marked by upper case letters, the long form corresponds to the complete word. Either the short form or the long form can be entered; other abbreviations are not permitted.

#### **Example:**

HCOPy: DEVice: COLor ON is equivalent to HCOP: DEV: COL ON.



# Case-insensitivity

Upper case and lower case notation only serves to distinguish the two forms in the manual, the instrument itself is case-insensitive.

# **Numeric suffixes**

If a command can be applied to multiple instances of an object, e.g. specific channels or sources, the required instances can be specified by a suffix added to the command. Numeric suffixes are indicated by angular brackets (<1...4>, <n>, <i>) and are replaced by a single value in the command. Entries without a suffix are interpreted as having the suffix 1.

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# **Example:**

**Definition**: HCOPy: PAGE: DIMensions: QUADrant [<N>]

Command: HCOP: PAGE: DIM: QUAD2

This command refers to the quadrant 2.



# Different numbering in remote control

For remote control, the suffix may differ from the number of the corresponding selection used in manual operation. SCPI prescribes that suffix counting starts with 1. Suffix 1 is the default state and used when no specific suffix is specified.

Some standards define a fixed numbering, starting with 0. If the numbering differs in manual operation and remote control, it is indicated for the corresponding command.

# **Optional mnemonics**

Some command systems permit certain mnemonics to be inserted into the header or omitted. These mnemonics are marked by square brackets in the description. The instrument must recognize the long command to comply with the SCPI standard. Some commands are considerably shortened by these optional mnemonics.

# Example:

**Definition**: HCOPy[:IMMediate]

Command: HCOP: IMM is equivalent to HCOP



#### Optional mnemonics with numeric suffixes

Do not omit an optional mnemonic if it includes a numeric suffix that is relevant for the effect of the command.

# Example:

**Definition**:DISPlay[:WINDow<1...4>]:MAXimize <Boolean>

Command: DISP: MAX ON refers to window 1.

In order to refer to a window other than 1, you must include the optional WINDow parameter with the suffix for the required window.

DISP: WIND2: MAX ON refers to window 2.

#### **Parameters**

Parameters must be separated from the header by a "white space". If several parameters are specified in a command, they are separated by a comma (,). For a description of the parameter types, refer to chapter 6.3.3, "SCPI Parameters", on page 416.

# Example:

Definition:HCOPy:DEVice:CMAP:COLor:RGB <red>, < green>, < blue>

Command:HCOP:DEV:CMAP:COL:RGB 3,32,44

### **Special characters**

#### Parameters

A vertical stroke in parameter definitions indicates alternative possibilities in the sense of "or". The effect of the command differs, depending on which parameter is used.

#### Example:

Definition:HCOPy:PAGE:ORIentation LANDscape | PORTrait
Command HCOP:PAGE:ORI LAND specifies landscape orientation
Command HCOP:PAGE:ORI PORT specifies portrait orientation

#### **Mnemonics**

A selection of mnemonics with an identical effect exists for several commands. These mnemonics are indicated in the same line; they are separated by a vertical stroke. Only one of these mnemonics needs to be included in the header of the command. The effect of the command is independent of which of the mnemonics is used.

#### Example:

DefinitionSENSE:BANDwidth|BWIDth[:RESolution] <numeric\_value>

The two following commands with identical meaning can be created:

SENS:BAND:RES 1 SENS:BWID:RES 1

[] Mnemonics in square brackets are optional and may be inserted into the header or omitted.

**Example**: HCOPy[:IMMediate]
HCOP:IMM is equivalent to HCOP

Parameters in curly brackets are optional and can be inserted once or several times, or omitted.

Example: SENSe:LIST:FREQuency <numeric\_value>{,<numeric\_value>}

The following are valid commands:

SENS:LIST:FREQ 10 SENS:LIST:FREQ 10,20 SENS:LIST:FREQ 10,20,30,40

### 6.3.3 SCPI Parameters

Many commands are supplemented by a parameter or a list of parameters. The parameters must be separated from the header by a "white space" (ASCII code 0 to 9, 11 to 32 decimal, e.g. blank). Allowed parameters are:

- Numeric values
- Special numeric values
- Boolean parameters
- Text
- Character strings
- Block data

The parameters required for each command and the allowed range of values are specified in the command description.

#### **Numeric values**

Numeric values can be entered in any form, i.e. with sign, decimal point and exponent. Values exceeding the resolution of the instrument are rounded up or down. The mantissa may comprise up to 255 characters, the exponent must lie inside the value range -32000 to 32000. The exponent is introduced by an "E" or "e". Entry of the exponent alone is not allowed. In the case of physical quantities, the unit can be entered. Allowed unit prefixes are G (giga), MA (mega), MOHM and MHZ are also allowed), K (kilo), M (milli), U (micro) and N (nano). If the unit is missing, the basic unit is used.

**Example:** SENS: FREQ: STOP 1.5GHz = SENS: FREQ: STOP 1.5E9

#### **Units**

For physical quantities, the unit can be entered. Allowed unit prefixes are:

- G (giga)
- MA (mega), MOHM, MHZ
- K (kilo)
- M (milli)
- U (micro)
- N (nano)

If the unit is missing, the basic unit is used.

#### Example:

```
SENSe: FREQ: STOP 1.5GHz = SENSe: FREQ: STOP 1.5E9
```

Some settings allow relative values to be stated in percent. According to SCPI, this unit is represented by the PCT string.

#### Example:

HCOP: PAGE: SCAL 90PCT

### Special numeric values

The texts listed below are interpreted as special numeric values. In the case of a query, the numeric value is provided.

#### MIN/MAX

MINimum and MAXimum denote the minimum and maximum value.

#### DEF

DEFault denotes a preset value which has been stored in the EPROM. This value conforms to the default setting, as it is called by the \*RST command.

### UP/DOWN

UP, DOWN increases or reduces the numeric value by one step. The step width can be specified via an allocated step command for each parameter which can be set via UP, DOWN.

#### INF/NINF

INFinity, Negative INFinity (NINF) represent the numeric values 9.9E37 or -9.9E37, respectively. INF and NINF are only sent as instrument responses.

#### NAN

Not A Number (NAN) represents the value 9.91E37. NAN is only sent as a instrument response. This value is not defined. Possible causes are the division of zero by zero, the subtraction of infinite from infinite and the representation of missing values.

#### **Example:**

Setting command: SENSe:LIST:FREQ MAXimum Query: SENS:LIST:FREQ?, Response: 3.5E9



### Queries for special numeric values

The numeric values associated to MAXimum/MINimum/DEFault can be queried by adding the corresponding mnemonics to the command. They must be entered following the quotation mark.

Example: SENSe:LIST:FREQ? MAXimum

Returns the maximum numeric value as a result.

#### **Boolean Parameters**

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. The numeric values are provided as the response for a query.

### Example:

Setting command: HCOPy: DEV: COL ON

Query: HCOPy: DEV: COL?

Response: 1

#### Text parameters

Text parameters observe the syntactic rules for mnemonics, i.e. they can be entered using a short or long form. Like any parameter, they have to be separated from the header by a white space. In the case of a query, the short form of the text is provided.

### Example:

Setting command: HCOPy: PAGE: ORIentation LANDscape

Query: HCOP: PAGE: ORI?

Response: LAND

### Character strings

Strings must always be entered in quotation marks (' or ").

#### Example:

```
HCOP:ITEM:LABel "Test1" Or HCOP:ITEM:LABel 'Test1'
```

#### **Block data**

Block data is a format which is suitable for the transmission of large amounts of data. A command using a block data parameter has the following structure:

#### Example:

```
FORMat:READings:DATA #45168xxxxxxxx
```

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.

### 6.3.4 Overview of Syntax Elements

The following table provides an overview of the syntax elements:

:	The colon separates the mnemonics of a command. In a command line the separating semicolon marks the uppermost command level.				
;	The semicolon separates two commands of a command line. It does not alter the path.				
,	The comma separates several parameters of a command.				
?	The question mark forms a query.				
*	The asterisk marks a common command.				
	Quotation marks introduce a string and terminate it (both single and double quotation marks are possible).				
#	The hash symbol introduces binary, octal, hexadecimal and block data.  • Binary: #B10110  • Octal: #07612  • Hexa: #HF3A7  • Block: #21312				
	A "white space" (ASCII-Code 0 to 9, 11 to 32 decimal, e.g. blank) separates the header from the parameters.				

### 6.3.5 Structure of a command line

A command line may consist of one or several commands. It is terminated by one of the following:

- a <New Line>
- a <New Line> with EOI
- an EOI together with the last data byte

Several commands in a command line must be separated by a semicolon ";". If the next command belongs to a different command system, the semicolon is followed by a colon.

### **Example:**

```
MMEM:COPY "Test1", "MeasurementXY"; : HCOP:ITEM ALL
```

This command line contains two commands. The first command belongs to the MMEM system, the second command belongs to the HCOP system.

If the successive commands belong to the same system, having one or several levels in common, the command line can be abbreviated. To this end, the second command after the semicolon starts with the level that lies below the common levels. The colon following the semicolon must be omitted in this case.

#### Example:

```
HCOP: ITEM ALL; : HCOP: IMM
```

This command line contains two commands. Both commands are part of the HCOP command system, i.e. they have one level in common.

When abbreviating the command line, the second command begins with the level below HCOP. The colon after the semicolon is omitted. The abbreviated form of the command line reads as follows:

```
HCOP: ITEM ALL; IMM
```

A new command line always begins with the complete path.

#### Example:

```
HCOP:ITEM ALL HCOP:IMM
```

### 6.3.6 Responses to Queries

A query is defined for each setting command unless explicitly specified otherwise. It is formed by adding a question mark to the associated setting command. According to SCPI, the responses to queries are partly subject to stricter rules than in standard IEEE 488.2.

The requested parameter is transmitted without a header.

```
Example: HCOP: PAGE: ORI?, Response: LAND
```

 Maximum values, minimum values and all other quantities that are requested via a special text parameter are returned as numeric values.

```
Example: SENSe: FREQuency: STOP? MAX, Response: 3.5E9
```

 Numeric values are output without a unit. Physical quantities are referred to the basic units or to the units set using the Unit command. The response 3.5E9 in the previous example stands for 3.5 GHz.

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Truth values (Boolean values) are returned as 0 (for OFF) and 1 (for ON).

**Example:** 

Setting command: HCOPy: DEV: COL ON

Query: HCOPy: DEV: COL?

Response: 1

Text (character data) is returned in a short form.

**Example:** 

Setting command: HCOPy: PAGE: ORIentation LANDscape

Query: HCOP: PAGE: ORI?

Response: LAND

# **6.4 Command Sequence and Synchronization**

IEEE 488.2 defines a distinction between overlapped and sequential commands:

- A sequential command is one which finishes executing before the next command starts executing. Commands that are processed quickly are usually implemented as sequential commands. Sequential commands are not implemented in the instrument, however the execution time of most commands is so short that they act as sequential commands when sent in different command lines.
- An overlapping command is one which does not automatically finish executing before
  the next command starts executing. Usually, overlapping commands take longer to
  process and allow the program to do other tasks while being executed. If overlapping
  commands do have to be executed in a defined order, e.g. in order to avoid wrong
  measurement results, they must be serviced sequentially. This is called synchronization between the controller and the instrument.

Setting commands within one command line, even though they may be implemented as sequential commands, are not necessarily serviced in the order in which they have been received. In order to make sure that commands are actually carried out in a certain order, each command must be sent in a separate command line.

#### **Example: Commands and queries in one message**

The response to a query combined in a program message with commands that affect the queried value is not predictable.

The following commands always return the specified result:

```
:FREQ:STAR 1GHZ; SPAN 100 :FREQ:STAR?
```

#### Result:

1000000000 (1 GHz)

Whereas the result for the following commands is not specified by SCPI:

```
:FREQ:STAR 1GHz;STAR?;SPAN 1000000
```

The result could be the value of STARt before the command was sent since the instrument might defer executing the individual commands until a program message terminator is received. The result could also be 1 GHz if the instrument executes commands as they are received.

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As a general rule, send commands and queries in different program messages.

### Example: Overlapping command with \*OPC

The instrument implements <code>INITiate[:IMMediate]</code> as an overlapped command. Assuming that <code>INITiate[:IMMediate]</code> takes longer to execute than <code>\*OPC</code>, sending the following command sequence results in initiating a sweep and, after some time, setting the <code>OPC</code> bit in the <code>ESR</code>:

INIT; \*OPC.

Sending the following commands still initiates a sweep:

INIT; \*OPC; \*CLS

However, since the operation is still pending when the instrument executes \*CLS, forcing it into the "Operation Complete Command Idle" State (OCIS), \*OPC is effectively skipped. The OPC bit is not set until the instrument executes another \*OPC command.

### Example: Overlapped command followed by non-conflicting commands

Suppose that the instrument is switched on to provide a real time test signal that requires some calculation time. At the same time some settings for the configuration of a different signal are made which do not interact with the generated signal (e.g. the signal may be used later on). The signal generation and the signal configuration are independent from each other, so none of the following overlapped commands needs to be synchronized:

SOUR:BB:3GPP:STAT ON SOUR:BB:GSM:FORM FSK2

### 6.4.1 Preventing Overlapping Execution

To prevent an overlapping execution of commands, one of the commands \*OPC, \*OPC? or \*WAI can be used. All three commands cause a certain action only to be carried out after the hardware has been set. By suitable programming, the controller can be forced to wait for the corresponding action to occur.

Table 6-2: Synchronization using \*OPC, \*OPC? and \*WAI

Com- mand	Action	Programming the controller	
*OPC	Sets the Operation Complete bit in the ESR after all previous commands have been executed.	<ul> <li>Setting bit 0 in the ESE</li> <li>Setting bit 5 in the SRE</li> <li>Waiting for service request (SRQ)</li> </ul>	
*OPC?	Stops command processing until 1 is returned. This is only the case after the Operation Complete bit has been set in the ESR. This bit indicates that the previous setting has been completed.	Sending *OPC? directly after the command whose processing should be terminated before other commands can be executed.	
*WAI	Stops further command processing until all commands sent before *WAI have been executed.	Sending *WAI directly after the command whose processing should be terminated before other commands are executed.	

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Command synchronization using \*WAI or \*OPC? appended to an overlapped command is a good choice if the overlapped command takes only little time to process. The two synchronization techniques simply block overlapped execution of the command.

For time consuming overlapped commands it is usually desirable to allow the controller or the instrument to do other useful work while waiting for command execution. Use one of the following methods:

### \*OPC with a service request

- 1. Set the OPC mask bit (bit no. 0) in the ESE: \*ESE 1
- 2. Set bit no. 5 in the SRE: \*SRE 32 to enable ESB service request.
- 3. Send the overlapped command with \*OPC
- 4. Wait for a service request

The service request indicates that the overlapped command has finished.

### \*OPC? with a service request

- 1. Set bit no. 4 in the SRE: \*SRE 16 to enable MAV service request.
- 2. Send the overlapped command with \*OPC?
- 3. Wait for a service request

The service request indicates that the overlapped command has finished.

### **Event Status Register (ESE)**

- 1. Set the OPC mask bit (bit no. 0) in the ESE: \*ESE 1
- 2. Send the overlapped command without \*OPC, \*OPC? or \*WAI
- Poll the operation complete state periodically (by means of a timer) using the sequence: \*OPC; \*ESR?

A return value (LSB) of 1 indicates that the overlapped command has finished.

#### \*OPC? with short timeout

- 1. Send the overlapped command without \*OPC, \*OPC? or \*WAI
- Poll the operation complete state periodically (by means of a timer) using the sequence: <short timeout>; \*OPC?
- 3. A return value (LSB) of 1 indicates that the overlapped command has finished. In case of a timeout, the operation is ongoing.
- 4. Reset timeout to former value
- Clear the error queue with SYStem: ERROr? to remove the "-410, Query interrupted" entries.

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#### Using several threads in the controller application

As an alternative, provided the programming environment of the controller application supports threads, separate threads can be used for the application GUI and for controlling the instrument(s) via SCPI.

A thread waiting for a \*OPC? thus will not block the GUI or the communication with other instruments.

# 6.5 Status Reporting System

The status reporting system stores all information on the current operating state of the instrument, and on errors which have occurred. This information is stored in the status registers and in the error queue. Both can be queried with the commands STATUS....

### 6.5.1 Hierarchy of status registers

As shown in the following figure, the status information is of hierarchical structure.

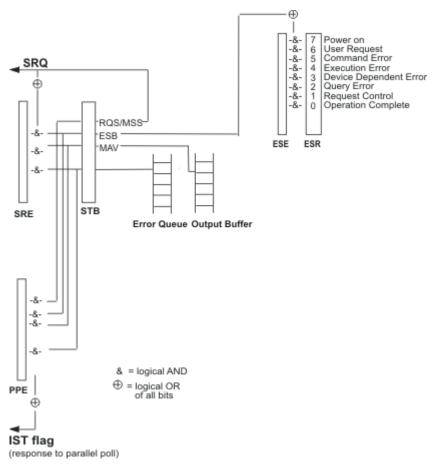


Fig. 6-1: Graphical overview of the status registers hierarchy

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#### • STB, SRE

The STatus Byte (STB) register and its associated mask register Service Request Enable (SRE) form the highest level of the status reporting system. The STB provides a rough overview of the instrument status, collecting the information of the lower-level registers.

### • ESR, SCPI registers

The STB receives its information from the following registers:

- The Event Status Register (ESR) with the associated mask register standard Event Status Enable (ESE).
- The STATus:OPERation and STATus:QUEStionable registers which are defined by SCPI and contain detailed information on the instrument.

#### • IST. PPE

The IST flag ("Individual STatus"), like the SRQ, combines the entire instrument status in a single bit. The PPE fulfills the same function for the IST flag as the SRE for the service request.

### Output buffer

The output buffer contains the messages the instrument returns to the controller. It is not part of the status reporting system but determines the value of the MAV bit in the STB and thus is represented in the overview.

All status registers have the same internal structure.



### SRE, ESE

The service request enable register SRE can be used as ENABle part of the STB if the STB is structured according to SCPI. By analogy, the ESE can be used as the ENABle part of the ESR.

### 6.5.2 Structure of a SCPI Status Register

Each standard SCPI register consists of 5 parts. Each part has a width of 16 bits and has different functions. The individual bits are independent of each other, i.e. each hardware status is assigned a bit number which is valid for all five parts. Bit 15 (the most significant bit) is set to zero for all parts. Thus the contents of the register parts can be processed by the controller as positive integers.

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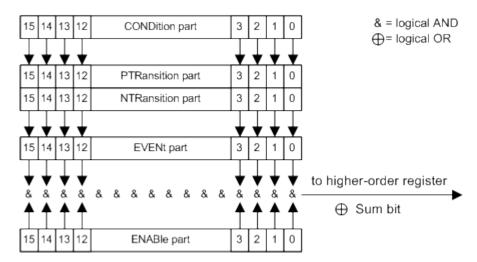


Fig. 6-2: The status-register model

### Description of the five status register parts

The five parts of a SCPI register have different properties and functions:

#### CONDition

The CONDition part is written into directly by the hardware or the sum bit of the next lower register. Its contents reflect the current instrument status. This register part can only be read, but not written into or cleared. Its contents are not affected by reading.

### PTRansition

The two transition register parts define which state transition of the CONDition part (none, 0 to 1, 1 to 0 or both) is stored in the EVENt part.

The Positive-TRansition part acts as a transition filter. When a bit of the CONDition part is changed from 0 to 1, the associated PTR bit decides whether the EVENt bit is set to 1.

- PTR bit =1: the EVENt bit is set.
- PTR bit =0: the EVENt bit is not set.

This part can be written into and read as required. Its contents are not affected by reading.

#### NTRansition

The Negative-TRansition part also acts as a transition filter. When a bit of the CONDition part is changed from 1 to 0, the associated NTR bit decides whether the EVENt bit is set to 1.

- NTR bit =1: the EVENt bit is set.
- NTR bit =0: the EVENt bit is not set.

This part can be written into and read as required. Its contents are not affected by reading.

#### EVENt

The EVENt part indicates whether an event has occurred since the last reading, it is the "memory" of the condition part. It only indicates events passed on by the transition filters. It is permanently updated by the instrument. This part can only be read by the user. Reading the register clears it. This part is often equated with the entire register.

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#### ENABle

The ENABle part determines whether the associated EVENt bit contributes to the sum bit (see below). Each bit of the EVENt part is "ANDed" with the associated ENABle bit (symbol '&'). The results of all logical operations of this part are passed on to the sum bit via an "OR" function (symbol '+').

ENABle bit = 0: the associated EVENt bit does not contribute to the sum bit ENABle bit = 1: if the associated EVENt bit is "1", the sum bit is set to "1" as well. This part can be written into and read by the user as required. Its contents are not affected by reading.

#### Sum bit

The sum bit is obtained from the EVENt and ENABle part for each register. The result is then entered into a bit of the CONDition part of the higher-order register.

The instrument automatically generates the sum bit for each register. Thus an event can lead to a service request throughout all levels of the hierarchy.

### 6.5.3 Contents of the Status Registers

In the following sections, the contents of the status registers are described in more detail.

#### 6.5.3.1 Status Byte (STB) and Service Request Enable Register (SRE)

The STatus Byte (STB) is already defined in IEEE 488.2. It provides a rough overview of the instrument status by collecting the pieces of information of the lower registers. A special feature is that bit 6 acts as the sum bit of the remaining bits of the status byte.

The STB is read using the command \*STB or a serial poll.

The STatus Byte (STB) is linked to the Service Request Enable (SRE) register. Each bit of the STB is assigned a bit in the SRE. Bit 6 of the SRE is ignored. If a bit is set in the SRE and the associated bit in the STB changes from 0 to 1, a service request (SRQ) is generated. The SRE can be set using the command \*SRE and read using the command \*SRE?

Table 6-3: Meaning of the bits used in the status byte

Bit No.	Meaning
01	Not used
2	Error Queue not empty  The bit is set when an entry is made in the error queue. If this bit is enabled by the SRE, each entry of the error queue generates a service request. Thus an error can be recognized and specified in greater detail by polling the error queue. The poll provides an informative error message. This procedure is to be recommended since it considerably reduces the problems involved with remote control.
3	Not used.
4	MAV bit (message available)  The bit is set if a message is available in the output buffer which can be read. This bit can be used to enable data to be automatically read from the instrument to the controller.

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Bit No.	Meaning
5	ESB bit
	Sum bit of the event status register. It is set if one of the bits in the event status register is set and enabled in the event status enable register. Setting of this bit indicates a serious error which can be specified in greater detail by polling the event status register.
6	MSS bit (master status summary bit)
	The bit is set if the instrument triggers a service request. This is the case if one of the other bits of this registers is set together with its mask bit in the service request enable register SRE.
7	Not used.

### 6.5.3.2 IST Flag and Parallel Poll Enable Register (PPE)

As with the SRQ, the IST flag combines the entire status information in a single bit. It can be read by means of a parallel poll (see chapter 6.5.5.3, "Parallel Poll", on page 430) or using the command \*IST.

The parallel poll enable register (PPE) determines which bits of the STB contribute to the IST flag. The bits of the STB are "ANDed" with the corresponding bits of the PPE, with bit 6 being used as well in contrast to the SRE. The IST flag results from the "ORing" of all results. The PPE can be set using commands \*PRE and read using command \*PRE?.

## 6.5.4 Event Status Register (ESR) and Event Status Enable Register (ESE)

The ESR is defined in IEEE 488.2. The event status register can be read out using command \*ESR on page 434. The ESE is the associated enable part. It can be set using the command \*ESE on page 434 and read using the command \*ESE?.

Table 6-4: Meaning of the bits used in the event status register

Bit No.	Meaning
0	Operation Complete  This bit is set on receipt of the command *OPC exactly when all previous commands have been executed.
1	not used
2	Query Error  This bit is set if either the controller wants to read data from the instrument without having sent a query, or if it does not fetch requested data and sends new instructions to the instrument instead. The cause is often a query which is faulty and hence cannot be executed.
3	Device-dependent Error  This bit is set if a device dependent error occurs. An error message with a number between 300 and 399 or a positive error number, which denotes the error in greater detail, is entered into the error queue.
4	Execution Error  This bit is set if a received command is syntactically correct but cannot be performed for other reasons. An error message with a number between 200 and 300, which denotes the error in greater detail, is entered into the error queue.

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Bit No.	Meaning
5	Command Error
	This bit is set if a command which is undefined or syntactically incorrect is received. An error message with a number between 100 and 200, which denotes the error in greater detail, is entered into the error queue.
6	User Request
	This bit is set on pressing the LOCAL key, i.e. when the instrument is switched over to manual operation.
7	Power On (supply voltage on)
	This bit is set on switching on the instrument.

### 6.5.5 Application of the Status Reporting System

The purpose of the status reporting system is to monitor the status of one or several devices in a measuring system. To do this and react appropriately, the controller must receive and evaluate the information of all devices. The following standard methods are used:

- Service request (SRQ) initiated by the instrument
- **Serial poll** of all devices in the bus system, initiated by the controller in order to find out who sent a SRQ and why
- Parallel poll of all devices
- Query of a **specific instrument status** by means of commands
- Query of the error queue

### 6.5.5.1 Service Request

Under certain circumstances, the instrument can send a service request (SRQ) to the controller. Usually this service request initiates an interrupt at the controller, to which the control program can react appropriately. An SRQ is always initiated if one or several of bits 2, 4 or 5 of the status byte are set and enabled in the SRE. Each of these bits combines the information of the error queue or the output buffer. In order to use the possibilities of the service request effectively, all bits should be set to "1" in the enable registers SRE and ESE.

#### **Example:**

Use command \*OPC to generate an SRQ.

- \*ESE 1 set bit 0 of ESE (Operation Complete)
- \*SRE 32 set bit 5 of SRE (ESB).

After its settings have been completed, the instrument generates an SRQ.

The SRQ is the only possibility for the instrument to become active on its own. Each controller program should set the instrument such that a service request is initiated in the case of malfunction. The program should react appropriately to the service request.

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#### 6.5.5.2 Serial Poll

In a serial poll, just as with command \*STB, the status byte of an instrument is queried. However, the query is realized via interface messages and is thus clearly faster.

The serial poll method is defined in IEEE 488.1 and used to be the only standard possibility for different instruments to poll the status byte. The method also works for instruments which do not adhere to SCPI or IEEE 488.2.

The serial poll is mainly used to obtain a fast overview of the state of several instruments connected to the controller.

#### 6.5.5.3 Parallel Poll

In a parallel poll, up to eight instruments are simultaneously requested by the controller using a single command to transmit 1 bit of information each on the data lines, i.e., to set the data line allocated to each instrument to a logical "0" or "1".

In addition to the SRE register, which determines the conditions under which an SRQ is generated, there is a Parallel Poll Enable register (PPE) which is ANDed with the STB bit by bit, considering bit 6 as well. This register is ANDed with the STB bit by bit, considering bit 6 as well. The results are ORed, the result is possibly inverted and then sent as a response to the parallel poll of the controller. The result can also be queried without parallel poll using the command \*IST.

The instrument first has to be set for the parallel poll using the command PPC. This command allocates a data line to the instrument and determines whether the response is to be inverted. The parallel poll itself is executed using PPE.

The parallel poll method is mainly used to find out quickly which one of the instruments connected to the controller has sent a service request. To this effect, SRE and PPE must be set to the same value.

### 6.5.5.4 Query of an instrument status

Each part of any status register can be read using queries. There are two types of commands:

- The common commands \*ESR?, \*IDN?, \*IST?, \*STB? query the higher-level registers.
- The commands of the STATus system query the SCPI registers (STATus:QUEStionable...)

The returned value is always a decimal number that represents the bit pattern of the queried register. This number is evaluated by the controller program.

Queries are usually used after an SRQ in order to obtain more detailed information on the cause of the SRQ.

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#### 6.5.5.5 Error Queue

with 0, "No error".

Each error state in the instrument leads to an entry in the error queue. The entries of the error queue are detailed plain text error messages that can be looked up in the Error Log or queried via remote control using SYSTem:ERROr[:NEXT]? or SYSTem:ERROr:ALL?. Each call of SYSTem:ERROr[:NEXT]? provides one entry from the error queue. If no error messages are stored there any more, the instrument responds

The error queue should be queried after every SRQ in the controller program as the entries describe the cause of an error more precisely than the status registers. Especially in the test phase of a controller program the error queue should be queried regularly since faulty commands from the controller to the instrument are recorded there as well.

### 6.5.6 Reset Values of the Status Reporting System

The following table contains the different commands and events causing the status reporting system to be reset. None of the commands, except \*RST and SYSTem: PRESet, influence the functional instrument settings. In particular, DCL does not change the instrument settings.

Event	Switching on supply voltage Power-On-Status- Clear		DCL, SDC (Device Clear, Selected	*RST or SYS- Tem:PRE- Set	STA- Tus:PRE- Set	*CLS
Effect	0	1	Device Clear)			
Clear STB, ESR	-	yes	-	-	-	yes
Clear SRE, ESE	-	yes	-	-	-	-
Clear PPE	-	yes	-	-	-	-
Clear error queue	yes	yes	-	-	-	yes
Clear output buffer	yes	yes	yes	1)	1)	1)
Clear command processing and input buffer	yes	yes	yes	-	-	-

<sup>1)</sup> The first command in a command line that immediately follows a <PROGRAM MESSAGE TERMINATOR> clears the output buffer.

# **6.6 General Programming Recommendations**

### Initial instrument status before changing settings

Manual operation is designed for maximum possible operating convenience. In contrast, the priority of remote control is the "predictability" of the instrument status. Thus, when a command attempts to define incompatible settings, the command is ignored and the

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instrument status remains unchanged, i.e. other settings are not automatically adapted. Therefore, control programs should always define an initial instrument status (e.g. using the \*RST command) and then implement the required settings.

### **Command sequence**

As a general rule, send commands and queries in different program messages. Otherwise, the result of the query may vary depending on which operation is performed first (see also Preventing Overlapping Execution).

### Reacting to malfunctions

The service request is the only possibility for the instrument to become active on its own. Each controller program should instruct the instrument to initiate a service request in case of malfunction. The program should react appropriately to the service request.

### **Error queues**

The error queue should be queried after every service request in the controller program as the entries describe the cause of an error more precisely than the status registers. Especially in the test phase of a controller program the error queue should be queried regularly since faulty commands from the controller to the instrument are recorded there as well.

# 7 Remote Control Commands

In the following, all remote-control commands will be presented in detail with their parameters and the ranges of numerical values.

For an introduction to remote control and the status registers, refer to chapter 6, "Remote Control Basics", on page 392.

### 7.1 Common Commands

Common commands are described in the IEEE 488.2 (IEC 625-2) standard. These commands have the same effect and are employed in the same way on different devices. The headers of these commands consist of "\*" followed by three letters. Many common commands are related to the Status Reporting System.

Available common commands:

*CAL	433
*CLS	433
*ESE	
*ESR	
*IDN	
*IST	
*OPC	
*OPT	435
*PCB	435
*PRE	
*PSC	
*RCL	
*RST	
*SAV	
*SRE	
*STB	437
*TRG	
*TST	
*WAI	

#### \*CAL?

Calibration Query

Initiates a calibration of the instrument and subsequently queries the calibration status. Responses > 0 indicate errors.

Usage: Query only

#### \*CLS

**CLear Status** 

Sets the status byte (STB), the standard event register (ESR) and the EVENt part of the QUEStionable and the OPERation registers to zero. The command does not alter the mask and transition parts of the registers. It clears the output buffer.

**Usage:** Setting only

#### \*ESE <Value>

**Event Status Enable** 

Sets the event status enable register to the specified value. The query returns the contents of the event status enable register in decimal form.

#### Parameters:

<Value> Range: 0 to 255

#### \*ESR?

**Event Status Read** 

Returns the contents of the event status register in decimal form and subsequently sets the register to zero.

#### Return values:

<Contents> Range: 0 to 255

Usage: Query only

#### \*IDN?

IDeNtification: returns the instrument identification.

### Return values:

<ID> "Rohde&Schwarz,<device type>,<serial number>,<firmware ver-

sion>"

Example: Rohde&Schwarz, ZVA8-4Port, 12345, 0.10.1.23

Usage: Query only

### \*IST?

Individual STatus query

Returns the contents of the IST flag in decimal form. The IST flag is the status bit which is sent during a parallel poll.

### Return values:

<ISTflag> 0 | 1

Usage: Query only

#### \*OPC

#### **OPeration Complete**

Sets bit 0 in the event status register when all preceding commands have been executed. This bit can be used to initiate a service request. The query form writes a "1" into the output buffer as soon as all preceding commands have been executed. This is used for command synchronization.

#### \*OPT?

**OPTion identification query** 

Queries the options included in the instrument. For a list of all available options and their description refer to the CD-ROM.

#### Return values:

<Options> The query returns a list of options. The options are returned at

fixed positions in a comma-separated string. A zero is returned for

options that are not installed.

Usage: Query only

#### \*PCB <Address>

Pass Control Back

Indicates the controller address to which remote control is returned after termination of the triggered action.

### **Setting parameters:**

<Address> Range: 0 to 30

**Usage:** Setting only

### \*PRE <Value>

Parallel poll Register Enable

Sets parallel poll enable register to the indicated value. The query returns the contents of the parallel poll enable register in decimal form.

#### Parameters:

<Value> Range: 0 to 255

#### \*PSC <Action>

Power on Status Clear

Determines whether the contents of the ENABle registers are preserved or reset when the instrument is switched on. Thus a service request can be triggered when the instrument is switched on, if the status registers ESE and SRE are suitably configured. The query reads out the contents of the "power-on-status-clear" flag.

#### Parameters:

<Action> 0 | 1

0

The contents of the status registers are preserved.

1

Resets the status registers.

#### \*RCL <Number>

ReCaLl calls up the instrument settings from an intermediate memory identified by the specified number. The instrument settings can be stored to this memory using the command \*SAV with the associated number.

It also activates the instrument settings which are stored in a file and loaded using the MMEMory: LOAD <number>, <file name.extension> command.

#### \*RST

#### ReSeT

Sets the instrument to a defined default status. The default settings are indicated in the description of commands.

The command is equivalent to SYSTem: PRESet.

**Usage:** Setting only

#### \*SAV <Number>

SAVe stores the current instrument settings under the specified number in an intermediate memory. The settings can be recalled using the command \*RCL with the associated number.

To transfer the stored instrument settings in a file, use the command :MMEMory: STORe:STATe.

### \*SRE <Contents>

Service Request Enable

Sets the service request enable register to the indicated value. This command determines under which conditions a service request is triggered.

#### Parameters:

<Contents> Contents of the service request enable register in decimal form.

Bit 6 (MSS mask bit) is always 0.

Range: 0 to 255

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#### \*STB?

STatus Byte query

Reads the contents of the status byte in decimal form.

Usage: Query only

### \*TRG

**TRiGger** 

Triggers all actions waiting for a trigger event. In particular, \*TRG generates a manual trigger signal (Manual Trigger). This common command complements the commands of the TRIGger subsystem.

Usage: Event

#### \*TST?

self TeST query

Triggers selftests of the instrument and returns an error code in decimal form (see Service Manual supplied with the instrument). "0" indicates no errors occured.

**Usage:** Query only

### \*WAI

WAIt to continue

Prevents servicing of the subsequent commands until all preceding commands have been executed and all signals have settled (see also command synchronization and \*OPC).

Usage: Event

### 7.2 Preset Commands

The preset commands are not bundled in one subsystem. Therefore, they are listed separately in this section. In addition, a specific preset command is provided for each digital standard and for the fader. These specific commands are described in the associated subsystems.

Four presetting actions are available:

- Activating the default state of all internal instrument functions (\*RST on page 436).
   Functions that concern the integration of the instrument into a measurement setup are not changed, e.g. GPIB address or reference oscillator source settings.
- Activating the preset state of the parameters related to the selected signal path (: SOURce<hw>: PRESet on page 438)

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- Activating the preset state of all parameters that are not related to the signal path (
   : DEVice: PRESet on page 438)
- Activating the original state of delivery (factory reset, :SYSTem:FPReset
  on page 438). Only functions that are protected by a password remain unchanged
  as well as the passwords themselves.

#### :DEVice:PRESet

The command presets all parameters which are not related to the signal path. This includes presetting the LF generator and bit/block error measurement.

**Example:** DEV: PRES

presets all instruments settings that are not related to the signal

path

Usage: Event

### :SOURce<hw>:PRESet

The command presets all parameters which are related to the selected signal path.

Fading (if available) and transient recorder are only preset by command \*RST.

**Example:** SOUR: PRES

presets all settings that are related to signal path

### SYSTem:PRESet

The command triggers an instrument reset. It has the same effect as:

- the PRESET key on the front panel
- the \*RST command

For an overview of the settings affected by the preset function, see chapter 5.2.2, "Default Instrument Settings - Preset Key", on page 104.

**Example:** SYST: PRES

All instrument settings (also those that are not currently active) are

reset to their default values.

**Usage:** Setting only

### :SYSTem:FPReset

The command triggers an instrument reset to the original state of delivery.

**Note:** Since Factory Preset resets the Remote Channel and network settings to the default values, executing Factory Preset via remote control terminates the connection to the instrument, if these settings had been configured to values different to the default ones!

The factory preset function resets nearly all instrument settings. In addition to the regular preset by means of the PRESET key, a "Factory Preset" resets also the following values:

- Reference frequency settings ("Ref Oscillator" menu)
- Power on settings ("Level/EMF" menu)
- Network settings including hostname ("Setup" menu)
- Remote Channel settings including GPIB address ("Setup" menu)
- Start/Stop Gui Update ("Setup" menu)
- Display and keyboard settings ("Setup" menu).

To maintain security, password settings and all settings protected by these passwords like disabled USB and LAN connections are not changed.

Not affected by the "Factory Preset" are also user data, lists or instrument settings files, created for example by means of the Save/Recall function.

**Example:** SYST: FPR

all instrument settings (also those that are not currently active) are

reset to the factory values.

Usage: Event

# 7.3 R&S Signal Generator Waveform and List Format

The R&S SMBV uses a tag-oriented format for externally or internally generated waveforms as well as for data and control lists. The data can be transmitted via the GPIB interface from an external computer to the instrument and vice versa.

For these purposes the file is transmitted as a binary data block, using SCPI command [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WAVeform:DATA.



A waveform version number is not necessary due to the flexible, tag-based form.

Tags are self-contained information units. Their general format is {Name: Data} or {Name-Length: Data}. The colon separates the name part and the data part. The colon can be followed by a space for the sake of legibility.

The Name identifies the tag. It is always expressed in capital letters.

The Data is tag-specific, and in most cases it is in ASCII plain text.

The Length specifies the number of bytes in a WAVEFORM tag or DATA LIST tag (from : to }, ASCII integer).

Each waveform file must begin with the TYPE tag. The sequence of the remaining tags is arbitrary. For each tag an indication shows whether it must be included in the file concerned (mandatory) or may be included (optional).

Unknown tags are not analyzed by the R&S SMBV. On the other hand they are left unchanged, are saved without an error message and can be read back again.

R&S AMIQ waveforms can also be loaded on the instrument, where they are converted internally into an R&S SMBV waveform.

### 7.3.1 Tag Description

This section first describe the mandatory TYPE tag which identifies the file and is always located at the start of the file. The rest of the tags used in the R&S SMBV are then described in alphabetical order. Most tags are valid for all three file types. If a tag is valid only for a single file type, e.g. only for a waveform, this fact is indicated in the description.

{TYPE: magic, xxxxxxxx}	440
{CLOCK: frequency}	441
{COMMENT: string}	442
{COPYRIGHT: string}	442
{DATA BITLENGTH: BitLength}	442
{DATA LIST-Length: #d0d1dxdN-1}	443
{DATE: yyyy-mm-dd;hh:mm:ss}	443
{CONTROL LENGTH: ControlLength}	443
{LEVEL OFFS: RMSOffset_dB,PeakOffset_dB}	443
{SAMPLES: Samples}	444
{[TRACE] LIST [#]: Pos0:Val0;Pos1:Val1;Posx:Valx;PosN-1:ValN-1}	445
{WAVEFORM-Length: #I0Q0I1Q1IxQxIN-1QN-1}	445
{MWV_SEGMENT_COUNT: NumOfSeg}	447
{MWV_SEGMENT_LENGTH: SamplesSeg0, SamplesSeg1,, SamplesSegN-1}	447
{MWV_SEGMENT_START:	
SampleStartOffsetSeg0, SampleStartOffsetSeg1,, SampleStartOffsetSegN-1}.	448
{MWV_SEGMENT_CLOCK_MODE: Mode}	448
{MWV_SEGMENT_CLOCK: ClockSeg0, ClockSeg1,, ClockSegN-1}	449
{MWV_SEGMENT_LEVEL_OFFS:	
RMSOffset_dBSeg0, PeakOffset_dBSeg0,, RMSOffset_dBSegN-1, PeakOffset	_dBSegN-1}
	450
{MWV_SEGMENT_FILES:	
"FileNameSeg0.wv", "FileNameSeg1.wv",, "FileNameSegN-1.wv"}	450
{MWV_SEGMENTx_COMMENT: text}	450
{CONTROL LIST WIDTH4-Length: #m0m1mxmM-1}	450

### {TYPE: magic, xxxxxxxx}

### (mandatory, must be the first tag in the file)

The TYPE tag identifies the file as a valid R&S SMBV file. It must be present and must be the first in the waveform. If a file of the same name already exists on the target medium, it is overwritten.

**Tip:** R&S AMIQ waveforms can also be loaded on the instrument, where they are converted internally into an R&S SMBV waveform.

#### Setting parameters:

magic Designates the file type and has the following values:

#### SMU-WV

The file contains a valid R&S SMBV waveform.

#### SMU-MWV

The file contains a valid R&S SMBV multi segment waveform.

#### SMU-DL

The file contains a valid R&S SMBV data list.

#### SMU-CL

The file contains a valid R&S SMBV control list.

#### XXXXXXX

Is an ASCII-coded checksum of the data part of the WAVEFORM tag in the file. This value is always 0 for data lists and control lists. The checksum for waveforms is used for detecting transmission errors. If the TYPE tag contains 0 or a non-numeric value for the checksum, it is ignored.

It is calculated in accordance with the algorithm given bellow, where 'start' is a pointer to the first byte after the '#' character in the WAVEFORM tag and 'length' is the number of bytes between 'start' and the closing curly bracket (excluding the latter; 'length'

must be divisible by 4 without a remainder):

```
UINT32 checksum(void *start, UINT32 length)
{
UINT32 i, result = 0xA50F74FF;
for(i=0; i < length/4; i++)
result = result ^ ((UINT32 *)start)[i];
return(result);
}</pre>
```

### Example:

BB:ARB:WAV:TAG? 'TYPE' queries the content of the TYPE tag. Response: 'SMU-WV,106656'

{TYPE: SMU-WV, 106656}

this is a valid waveform.

### {CLOCK: frequency}

### (mandatory for waveforms)

The tag specifies the clock frequency at which the waveform has to be output, in Hz (on multi segment waveforms this tag contains the maximal clock of all segments).

A query of ARB: CLOCk? after loading the waveform returns the value set using the CLOCK tag. This value can subsequently be altered with the aid of the ARB: CLOCk? command.

**Example:** {CLOCK: 54000000}

BB:ARB:WAV:TAG? 'CLOCK'

queries the content of the CLOCK tag.

Response: 5400000

the clock frequency is set to 54 MHz.

**Usage:** Setting only

### {COMMENT: string}

The tag contains a plain text ASCII string of arbitrary length. The string is not analyzed in the R&S SMBV. It is used to describe the file. The string is allowed to contain all printable ASCII characters except the closing curly bracket.

**Example:** {COMMENT: File with data for 3GPP enhanced

channels}

BB:ARB:WAV:TAG? 'COMMENT'

queries the content of the COMMENT tag of the selected waveform

file.

Response: 'File with data for 3GPP enhanced

channels'

the comment on the waveform reads "File with data for 3GPP

enhanced channels".

**Usage:** Setting only

#### {COPYRIGHT: string}

The tag contains an ASCII string of arbitrary length. The string is not analyzed in the R&S SMBV. It is used to store copyright information about the file content.

**Example:** {COPYRIGHT: Rohde&Schwarz}

BB:ARB:WAV:TAG? 'COPYRIGHT'

queries the content of the COPYRIGHT tag of the selected wave-

form file.

Response: 'Rohde&Schwarz' copyright resides with Rohde&Schwarz.

**Usage:** Setting only

### {DATA BITLENGTH: BitLength}

#### (mandatory for data lists)

The tag contains the length of the data held in the DATA LIST tag in bits in ASCII format.

**Example:** {DATA BITLENGTH: 444}

BB:DM:DLIS:TAG? 'DATA BITLENGTH'

queries the content of the DATA BITLENGTH tag of the selected

data list file.

Response: '444'

the data list is 444 bits long.

Usage: Setting only

{DATA LIST-Length: #d0d1...dx...dN-1...}

#### (mandatory for data lists)

The tag contains the actual bit sequence of the data list in binary format.

### **Setting parameters:**

Length Defines the number of bytes in the DATA LIST tag in ASCII For-

mat (for format see WAVEFORM length).

dx Data bits in binary format (8-bit unsigned characters, MSB first).

**Example:** DATA LIST-17: #d0d1...dx...d127}

16 bytes containing 128 data bits, first bit is the MS bit of the first

byte.

**Usage:** Setting only

#### {DATE: yyyy-mm-dd;hh:mm:ss}

### (optional)

The tag contains the date and time at which the file was created. The year must be expressed as four digits. The instrument does not analyze this tag.

**Example:** {DATE: 2009-04-02;14:32:12}

BB:ARB:WAV:TAG? 'DATE'

queries the content of the DATE tag of the selected waveform file.

Response: '2009-04-02;14:32:12'

the waveform was created on April 2, 2009 at 14 hrs 32 min

**Usage:** Setting only

### {CONTROL LENGTH: ControlLength}

#### (optional / recommended for marker and control lists)

The tag contains the length of the control list in ASCII format. If this tag is not used, the marker and control list length is determined by the highest position used in one of the LIST tags. It is recommended to set this value to be equal to the number of samples in order to keep marker signals and wave data synchronized.

**Example:** {CONTROL LENGTH: 444}

BB:ARB:WAV:TAG? 'CONTROL LENGTH'

queries the length of the control list.

Response: '444'

**Usage:** Setting only

### {LEVEL OFFS: RMSOffset\_dB,PeakOffset\_dB}

(recommended for waveforms)

The tag determines the level of the ARB signal in the waveform file. The offset levels define the offset of rms and peak value relative to the 16-bit full scale modulation (-32767 to + 32767) = 0 dB.

### Setting parameters:

RMSOffset\_dB Defines the RMS level offset of the signal relative to full scale ARB

signal in the WAVEFORM tag. The offset is defined in ASCII float

format. The value is always positive.

A 3dB value indicates that the RMS level of the signal is 3 dBs

below the full scale.

full scale = max. amplitude of vector of I/Q samples =  $|S_{IO}|$  max =

 $sqrt(I^2+Q^2)max = 0 dB$ 

PeakOffset\_dB Defines the peak level offset of the signal relative to full scale for

the ARB signal in the WAVEFORM tag. The offset is defined in ASCII

float format.

The value usually equals 0 dB as in the majority of cases the I/Q samples (signed 16-bit integer values) are modulated to full scale: Full scale = 0 dB = max. amplitude of vector of I/Q samples = |

 $S_{IQ}|max = sqrt(I^2+Q^2)max = (2^{15})-1 = 32767.$ 

A positive PeakOffset\_dB value indicates that a headroom to full scale is provided when generating the waveform. A negative PeakOffset\_dB value indicates that overrange is likely for some

samples, i.e. clipping might occur.

The crest factor can be calculated from the two values as follows:

Crest Factor = |PeakOffset dB - RMSOffset dB|

**Example:** {LEVEL OFFS: 3.45,2}

BB:ARB:WAV:TAG? 'LEVEL OFFS'

queries the content of the 'LEVEL OFFS' tag of the selected wave-

form file.

Response: '3.45,2'

the level of the waveform is below full scale, clipping will not occur.

Usage: Setting only

### {SAMPLES: Samples}

### (recommended for waveforms)

The tag contains the number of I/Q samples in the waveform in ASCII format.

On multi segment waveforms, this tag contains the total I/Q samples of all segments.

**Example:** {SAMPLES: 4333}

BB:ARB:WAV:TAG? 'SAMPLES'

queries the content of the SAMPLES tag of the selected waveform

file.

Response: '4333'

the waveform contains 4333 I/Q samples.

**Usage:** Setting only

#### {[TRACE] LIST [#]: Pos0:Val0;Pos1:Val1;...Posx:Valx;...PosN-1:ValN-1}

### (mandatory for control lists / optional for waveforms)

The tag contains the data for the marker and control signals in the control list or the marker signals of ARB waveforms. To select which of these signals is defined, [TRACE] and the associated number are used. For ARB waveforms it is only meaningful to define marker signals (on ARB multi segment waveforms these tags will be ignored).

**Setting parameters:** 

[TRACE] Specifies the name of the marker or control signal.

You may choose from the following names:

MARKER; BURST; LEVATT; CW MODE; HOP, MAP

[#] Specifies the number in the case of control signals and marker

signals with the same name. There is a choice between 4 markers and 3 LEVATT signals. Lines LEVATT 1 and 2 are needed for

internal purposes and should not be used.

Pos Specifies in ASCII format the number of the position in the

sequence, with effect from which the binary state of the marker or

of the control signal changes from 0 to 1 or from 1 to 0.

Val Specifies the binary state of the marker or of the control signal {0;

1) from  $Pos_x$  to  $Pos_{x+1}$  exclusive in ASCII format.

**Example:** {MARKER LIST 1: 0:0;10:1;20:0;30:1}

BB:DM:CLIS:TAG? 'MARKER LIST 1'

queries the content of the MARKER LIST 1 tag of the selected

control list file.

Response: '0:0;10:1;20:0;30:1'

the marker setting for samples 0 to 9 = 0 (low), for 10 to 19 = 1 (high) and for 20 to 29 = 0. From sample 30 onward the marker

setting = 1.

**Example:** {LEVATT LIST 1: 0:0;10:1;20:0;30:1}

BB:DM:CLIS:TAG? 'LEVATT LIST 1'

queries the content of the LEVATT LIST 1 tag of the selected

control list file.

Response: '0:0;10:1;20:0;30:1'

level attenuation applies to data values 10 to 19 (high) and from

data value 30 onward.

**Usage:** Setting only

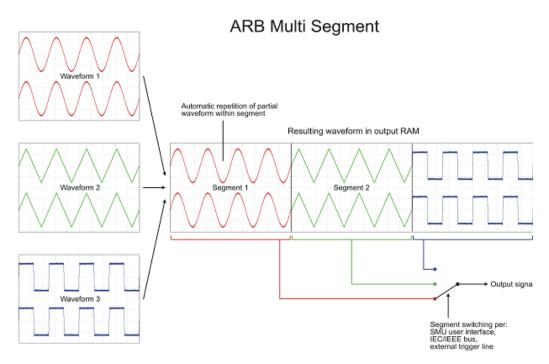
#### {WAVEFORM-Length: #I0Q0I1Q1...IxQx...IN-1QN-1...}

#### (mandatory for waveforms)

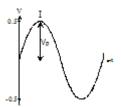
The tag contains the actual waveform data or multi segment waveform data (I/Q stream).

The TYPE tag decides, wheather the waveform file contains a normal waveform or a multi segment waveform.

The following figure shows the prinziple of multi segment work mode.



At 50 Ohm between the inner and outer conductors of the I and Q outputs, an amplitude Vp of +/-0.5 Volt arises on the I/Q output connectors of the R&S SMBV. The illustration also applies to the Q output.



### **Setting parameters:**

Length

Specifies the number of bytes in a  ${\tt WAVEFORM}$  tag and is calculated as follow:

Length = Number of I/Q pairs \* 4 (i.e. 2 bytes per I and
2 bytes per Q value) + 1 byte (i.e. the length of the #).

I Q IxQx... represents binary data (16-bit signed integer in 2's com-

plement notation) containing the I and Q component alternately and starting with the I component. Each component consists of

two bytes, least significant byte (LSB) first.

The values of the two bytes in an I component and a Q component are in the range 0x0 to 0xFFFF (-32767 to +32767). This value is

transferred to the D/A converter.

This tag is also used to store multi segment waveforms. The I/Q streams of the individual waveforms are directly concatenated to

one collectively waveform I/Q stream.

The number of segments and the start offset and length of the individual segments inside the total waveform I/Q stream is determined by the additional tags MWV\_SEGMENT\_COUNT, MWV\_SEGMENT\_START and MWV\_SEGMENT\_LENGTH.

Further MWV SEGMENT ... tags are also available, i.e. for level

and clock information etc.

**Example:**  $\{WAVEFORM-401:\#I_0,Q_0,I_1,Q_1,I_2,Q_2,...I_{99},Q_{99}\}$ 

100 I/Q pairs with 4 bytes each are transmitted - none multi seg-

ment

Example: Multi Segment

{WAVEFORM-1201:

 $\#I_{0,Seg0},Q_{0,Seg0},I_{1,Seg0},Q_{1,Seg0},...I_{99,Seg0},Q_{99,Seg0},I_{0,Seg1},Q_{0,Seg1},I_{1,Seg1},$ 

 $Q_{1,Seg1},...I_{199,Seg1},Q_{199,Seg1}$ 

(2 segments: segment 0 with 100 I/Q pairs, segment 1 with 200 I/

Q pairs. Each I/Q pair consist of 2\*16 bit = 4 bytes)
The data is transmitted using SCPI command

BB:ARB:WAVE:DATA.

Usage: Setting only

### {MWV\_SEGMENT\_COUNT: NumOfSeg}

### (mandatory for multi segment waveforms)

The tag contains the number of segments in the multi segment waveform in ASCII integer format.

**Example:** {MWV SEGMENT COUNT: 2}

Multi segment waveform with 2 segments

**Usage:** Setting only

# {MWV\_SEGMENT\_LENGTH: SamplesSeg0, SamplesSeg1, ..., SamplesSegN-1} (mandatory for multi segment waveforms)

The tag contains a list of I/Q sample lengths for every segment in the multi segment waveform in ASCII integer format.

**Example:** {MWV SEGMENT LENGTH: 100,200}

2 segments: 100 samples in segment 0 and 200 samples in seg-

ment 1.

**Usage:** Setting only

### {MWV\_SEGMENT\_START:

SampleStartOffsetSeg0, SampleStartOffsetSeg1, ..., SampleStartOffsetSegN-1}

### (mandatory for multi segment waveforms)

The tag contains a list of I/Q sample start offsets for every segment in the multi segment waveform in ASCII integer format.

**Example:** {MWV SEGMENT START: 0,100}

2 segments with 100 samples in segment 0 and 200 samples in

segment 1.

Sample start offset of first segment 0 is 0 samples, start offset of next segment 1 is the sample length of segment 0 = 100 samples.

Usage: Setting only

### {MWV\_SEGMENT\_CLOCK\_MODE: Mode}

### (mandatory for multi segment waveforms)

The tag contains a string in ASCII format which supplies the clock rate mode, that was used for calculation of the multi segment output waveform.

The tag CLOCK contains always the highest clock rate of all segments.

The tag MWV SEGMENT CLOCK contains the clock rates of the individual segments.

#### **Setting parameters:**

Mode UNCHANGED

The segments may have different clock rates.

During the multi segment calculation, the clock rates of all individual original waveforms were taken over unchanged in the segments of the multi segment output waveform (no software resampling is done).

If the segments have different clock rates, there are some restrictions on signal output, i.e. switching per external trigger and seamless switching between segments is not possible.

If all segments have already an identical clock rate, this mode is usually set to <code>HIGHEST</code>.

#### **HIGHEST**

All segments have an indentical clock rate, which is the highest clock rate of all original waveforms.

If an individual original waveform has a lower clock rate, an upsampling to the highest clock rate will performed on calculation of the multi segment output waveform.

#### **USER**

All segments have an indentical clock rate, which is given by the user.

Note: Only upsampling is allowed, no downsampling! If an individual original waveform has a lower clock rate, an upsampling to the user clock rate will performed on calculation of the multi segment output waveform.

**Example:** {MWV\_SEGMENT\_CLOCK\_MODE: UNCHANGED}

{MWV\_SEGMENT\_CLOCK\_MODE: HIGHEST} {MWV\_SEGMENT\_CLOCK\_MODE: USER}

**Usage:** Setting only

### {MWV\_SEGMENT\_CLOCK: ClockSeg0, ClockSeg1, ..., ClockSegN-1}

### (mandatory for multi segment waveforms)

The tag contains a list of clock frequencies for every segment in the multi segment waveform in ASCII floating point format.

**Example:** {MWV\_SEGMENT\_CLOCK: 100e6,80e6}

2 segments: clock of segment 0 is 100 MHz, clock of segment 1

is 80 MHz.

Note: If the segments have different clock frequencies, there are some restrictions on signal output, i.e. seamless switching between segments is only possible, if all segments have the same clock frequency. Software resampling (upsampling) can be used

to bring all segments to the same clock.

**Usage:** Setting only

#### {MWV\_SEGMENT\_LEVEL\_OFFS:

 $RMSOffset\_dBSeg0, PeakOffset\_dBSeg0, ..., RMSOffset\_dBSegN-1, PeakOffset\_dBSegN-1, PeakOffs$ 

#### (mandatory for multi segment waveforms)

The tag contains a list of level pairs in ASCII floating point format, one pair for every segment in the multi segment waveform. The first value of a level pair defines the rms offset and the second value the peak offset relative to the 16-bit full scale modulation (-32767; + 32767) = 0 dB. The meaning of one level value pair is the same as in the LEVEL OFFS tag for normal waveforms.

**Example:** {MWV SEGMENT LEVEL OFFS: 3.0,0.0,6.0,0.0}

2 segments: RMS level of segment 0 is 3dB below full scale; RMS level of segment 1 ist 6dB below full scale. Peak level of both seg-

ments is 0 dB full scale.

**Usage:** Setting only

### {MWV\_SEGMENT\_FILES:

"FileNameSeg0.wv", "FileNameSeg1.wv", ..., "FileNameSegN-1.wv"}

### (optional for multi segment waveforms)

The tag contains a list of file names for every segment in the multi segment waveform in ASCII format.

Example: {MWV SEGMENT FILES: "d:\waveforms\sine.wv", "d:

\waveforms\rect.wv"}

Usage: Setting only

### {MWV\_SEGMENTx\_COMMENT: text}

### (optional for multi segment waveforms)

The tag contains a user comment for a specific segment x = [0...NumOfSeg-1] in the multi segment waveform in ASCII format.

**Example:** {MWV\_SEGMENT1\_FILES: segment 1 contains a QPSK

signal.}

**Usage:** Setting only

### {CONTROL LIST WIDTH4-Length: #m0m1...mx...mM-1}

### (optional for waveforms and multi segment waveforms)

The tag contains a binary marker element stream, which will be given out synchronously to the I/Q sample sequence. One marker element mx consists of 4 bit, which are assigned to the 4 possible marker lines of the instrument (one bit per marker line). One 4 bit marker elements is needed for every I/Q sample in the WAVEFORM tag - so the number of marker elements M should be equal to the number of I/Q samples. The CONTROL LENGTH tag has to contain the number of all marker elements M.

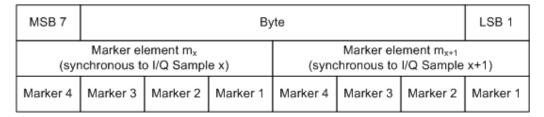


Fig. 7-1: Marker element in 4-bit binary format bit order

For standard waveforms the MARKER LIST  $\times$  tags are a more compact way to define markers, but in prinziple this CONTROL LIST WIDTH4 format can also be used instead of the MARKER LIST  $\times$  tags.

For multi segment waveforms this CONTROL LIST WIDTH4 format is required for marker definition. The binary marker streams of the individual segments are directly concatenated (without any gap) to one collectively marker stream.

### **Setting parameters:**

Length Defines the number of bytes in the CONTROL LIST WIDTH4 tag

in ASCII Format and is calculated as follow:

Length = Size of "#" (1 byte) + Number of marker elements  $m_x$  \*

(4 bit) / (8 bits/byte)

The value is rounded up for byte alignment.

mx Marker element in 4-bit binary format.

**Example:** {CONTROL LIST WIDTH4-51:  $\#m_0m_1...m_x...m_{99}$ }

100 marker elements, each marker element with 4 bits

Usage: Setting only

### 7.3.2 Creating a Waveform Manually

We will use the example of a sine function in the I channel and a cosine function in the Q channel, each with 20 points, to explain how a waveform file SICO.WV is generated.

The sine and cosine values are calculated by a short program written in the programming language C (see the following example for creating a C-program). They are stored in the file SICO.TXT as follows:

```
Contents of SICO.TXT:

Sine (I) Cosine (Q)

0.000000 1.000000

0.309017 0.951057

0.587785 0.809017

0.809017 0.587785

0.951057 0.309017

1.000000 -0.000000

0.951056 -0.309017

0.809017 -0.587785

0.587785 -0.809017
```

```
0.309017 -0.951056
-0.000000 -1.000000
-0.309017 -0.951057
-0.587785 -0.809017
-0.809017 -0.309017
-1.000000 0.000000
-0.951056 0.309017
-0.809017 0.587785
-0.587785 0.809017
-0.309017 0.951057
```

The decimal values in SICO.TXT should be normalized such that they are between -1.0 and +1.0. The waveform file SICO.WV will be based on the contents of this file.

To be read by the R&S SMBV these waveform data must be coded binary and packed into an appropriate WAVEFORM tag. A tag consists of a name and a data set and is enclosed in curved brackets. The tag is a kind of label carrying information about what the R&S SMBV should do with the data set (see above and step 3 of the following instructions).

The following steps outline how to create the waveform file SICO.WV:

1. The values from the file SICO.TXT must be converted into binary format consisting of integer numbers without a sign and with 16-bit width. The numeric range between –1.0 and +1.0 corresponds to the modulation range of the waveform D/A converter of 65535 (2<sup>16</sup>-1).

```
+1.0 \Rightarrow 32767 = 0x7FFF
0.0 \Rightarrow 0 = 0x0000
-1.0 \Rightarrow -32767 = 0x8001
```

A further C-program is suitable for creating the binary data set from the ASCII values stored in SICO.TXT file (see following example for creating a C-program). This program stores the binary data set to a file called SICO.WV.

The contents of the file SICO.WV reads as follows:

```
IQIQIQIQIQIQI ... IQ
```

**Note:** There is no readable representation for binary values in this document. This is why we use the sequence IQIQIQ to characterize the binary code in the present example.

2. The file SICO.WV now contains the binary data set corresponding to the 20 I/Q pairs. Before this binary data set can be further processed in step 3, the TYPE and the CLOCK tag must be placed in front.

To enter the TYPE tag in the SICO.WV file an ASCII editor which is able to handle binary data as well, e.g. the Microsoft Windows editor NOTEPAD.EXE, must be used.

Now the contents of the SICO. WV file read:

```
{TYPE: SMU-WV, 0}{CLOCK: 10e6} IQIQIQIQIQIQIQIQI ... IQ
```

To simplify our example the checksume is set to 0, i.e. the instrument does not evaluate a checksum.

3. The binary data must now be packed into a WAVEFORM tag with the following structure:

```
{WAVEFORM-Length: #IQIQIQIQIQIQIQIQI ... IQ}
```

The editor mentioned above which can handle binary data is now used to place the string {WAVEFORM-81: # in front and the symbol } at the end of the data set.

The Length of the data set is the number of bytes of the data set and is calculated as the sum of the number of I/Q pairs \* 4 (2 bytes per I and per Q value) and one 1 byte for the symbol #.

In our example containing a sine and a cosine with 20 pairs for each wave, the resulting length is 81.

**Note:** There is no readable representation for binary values in this document. This is why we use the sequence IQIQIQ to characterize the binary code in the present example!

The contents of the waveform file SICO. WV for 20 I/Q pairs is now ready for operation and reads.

```
{TYPE: SMU-WV,0}
{CLOCK: 10e6}
{WAVEFORM-81: #IQIQIQIQIQ ... IQ}
```

The tags TYPE, CLOCK and WAVEFORM are mandatory for each waveform. All other tags are optional and can be inserted after the TYPE tag in arbitrary order, e.g.

```
{TYPE: SMU-WV,0}
{COMMENT: I/Q=sine/cosine, 20 points, clock 10 MHz}
{CLOCK: 10e6}
{Samples:20}
{WAVEFORM-81:#IQIQIQIQIQ ... IQ}
```

# C-programs for creating the SICO.TXT file and for generating the waveform file

C-program for creating the file SICO. TXT containing 20 sine and cosine pairs:

```
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <math.h>
void main(void)
{
    const unsigned int samples = 20;
    const float pi = 3.141592654;
    float grad, rad;
    FILE *fp;
    int i;
    fp = fopen("SICO.TXT", "w");
    if (fp == 0)
        return;
    for (i=0; i<samples; i++)
    {
        grad = (360.0 / (float)samples) * (float)i;</pre>
```

```
rad = grad * (pi / 180.0);
    fprintf(fp, "%f %f\n", sin(rad), cos(rad));
}
fclose(fp);
}
```

Extract from a C-program generating a binary data set from the I/Q pairs in the file SICO.TXT and storing the result to file SICO.WV:

```
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <math.h>
void main(void)
   const unsigned int samples = 20; // Number of samples to convert
   FILE *fp sour, *fp dest;
   float i_float, q_float;
   unsigned short i_usint, q_usint;
   int i;
   fp sour = fopen("SICO.TXT", "rt");
   if (fp_sour == 0)
       return;
   fp_dest = fopen("SICO.WV", "wb");
   if (fp dest == 0)
       fclose(fp_sour);
       return;
   }
   // Write required tags to waveform file
   fprintf(fp_dest, "{TYPE: SMU-WV,0}");
   fprintf(fp dest, "{CLOCK: 10e6}");
   fprintf(fp_dest, "{SAMPLES: %d}", samples);
   fprintf(fp dest, "{WAVEFORM-%d:#", (samples * 4) + 1);
   for (i=0; i < samples; i++)
        // Read I/Q pair from ASCII file
       if (fscanf(fp sour, "%f %f", &i float, &q float) == EOF)
            break;
        // Convert I/Q pair to unsigned short
       i usint = (unsigned short)floor((i float * 32767.0) + 0.5);
       q_usint = (unsigned short)floor((q_float * 32767.0) + 0.5);
       // Write converted I/Q pair to waveform file
       fwrite(&i usint, 2, 1, fp dest);
       fwrite(&q_usint, 2, 1, fp_dest);
   fprintf(fp_dest, "}");
   fclose(fp dest);
   fclose(fp_sour);
```

# 7.3.3 Creating an ASCII C-List Manually

When you create the C-list in the editor, as shown in the figure, you get an ASCII file with the extension \*.dm iqc (see the example C-List ASCII File).

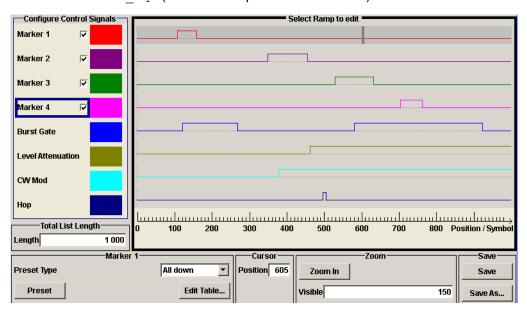


Fig. 7-2: Representation in the C-List Editor

### **Example: C-List ASCII File**

C-List in ASCII format, corresponding to C-List editor figure 7-2:

```
{TYPE:SMU-CL}{COPYRIGHT:2003 Rohde&Schwarz SMU}{DATE:2011-07-19;14:58:44} {HOP LIST:0:0;498:1;506:0}{CW MODE LIST:0:0;380:1}{LEVATT LIST 1:0:0;464:1} {BURST LIST:0:0;122:1;270:0;582:1;924:0} {MARKER LIST 4:0:0;706:1;764:0}{MARKER LIST 3:0:0;530:1;633:0} {MARKER LIST 2:0:0;350:1;457:0}{MARKER LIST 1:0:0;108:1;160:0} {CONTROL LENGTH:1000}
```

The tags to the traces in the C-List editor are:

- HOP LIST
- CW MODE LIST
- LEVATT LIST 1
- BURST LIST
- MARKER LIST 4
- MARKER LIST 3
- MARKER LIST 2
- MARKER LIST 1
- CONTROL LENGTH

CONTROL LENGTH defines the periodicity of the total C-List. The remaining tags define the individual markers or control traces in a combined state/starting time way within the C-List period.

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If you want to write an ASCII C-List directly without using the C-List editor, a special syntax has to be taken into account:

- The tag and the following [state: start time]-pairs are separated by a colon ":".
- The [state: start time] pairs in turn are separated by semicolons ";".
- The list state can be either 0 or 1.
- The time unit is the simple period.

### Example:

"CW MODE LIST 0:0;380:1" for a CW trace:

The list status starts at time 0 with 0, and at time point 380 symbol periods after start, it changes to 1.



With the commands BB: DM: CLISt:... you can also generate control lists in binary fomat, if required. See "DM Lists" on page 572.

# 7.4 CALibration Subsystem

The CALibration system contains the commands for adjustment. Adjustment is triggered by the query commands. The response "0" indicates error-free adjustment, and the response "1" means that an error occurred during adjustment.

:CALibration:ALL[:MEASure]	456
:CALibration <hw>:FMOFfset[:MEASure]</hw>	457
:CALibration <hw>:FREQuency[:MEASure]</hw>	457
:CALibration <hw>:IQModulator:FULL</hw>	457
:CALibration <hw>:IQModulator:LOCal</hw>	457
:CALibration <hw>:LEVel:ALCTable[:MEASure]</hw>	458
:CALibration <hw>:LEVel[:MEASure]</hw>	
:CALibration <hw>:LEVel:EXTern:DATA</hw>	
:CALibration <hw>:LEVel:STATe</hw>	

### :CALibration:ALL[:MEASure]?

The command starts all internal adjustments for which no external measuring equipment is needed.

# Return values:

<Measure> 0 | 1

**Example:** CAL:ALL:MEAS?

starts the adjustment of all functions for the entire instrument.

Response: "0"

adjustment has been performed successfully.

Usage: Query only

SCPI confirmed

**CALibration Subsystem** 

### :CALibration<hw>:FMOFfset[:MEASure]?

The command starts all adjustment for the FM/PhiM modulator.

Return values:

<Measure> 0 | 1

**Example:** CAL: FMOF?

starts the adjustments for the FM/Phim modulator.

Response: "0"

the adjustments have been performed successfully

Usage: Query only

### :CALibration<hw>:FREQuency[:MEASure]?

The command starts all adjustments which affect the frequency.

Return values:

<Measure> 0 | 1

**Example:** CAL: FREQ: MEAS?

starts the adjustments for maximum frequency accuracy.

Response: "0"

the adjustments have been performed successfully.

**Usage:** Query only

### :CALibration<hw>:IQModulator:FULL?

The command starts adjustment of the I/Q modulator for the entire frequency range. The I/Q modulator is adjusted with respect to carrier leakage, I/Q imbalance and quadrature.

#### Return values:

<Full> 0 | 1

**Example:** CAL: IQM: FULL?

starts adjustments for the I/Q modulator across the entire fre-

quency range. Response: "0"

adjustment has been performed successfully

Usage: Query only

### :CALibration<hw>:IQModulator:LOCal?

The command starts adjustment of the I/Q modulator for the currently set frequency, I/Q swap and baseband gain. The I/Q modulator is adjusted with respect to carrier leakage, I/Q imbalance and quadrature.

#### Return values:

<Local> 0 | 1

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**Example:** CAL:IQM:LOC?

starts adjustment for the I/Q modulator for the currently set fre-

quency.
Response: 0

adjustment has been performed successfully

**Usage:** Query only

# :CALibration<hw>:LEVel:ALCTable[:MEASure]?

Performs ALC adjustments according to the predefined values in the ALC table.

#### Return values:

<Measure>

**Example:** CAL:LEV:ALCT:MEAS?

starts adjustments according to the ALC table.

Respone: "0"

adjustment has been performed successfully.

Usage: Query only

### :CALibration<hw>:LEVel[:MEASure]?

The command starts all adjustments which affect the level.

Return values:

<Measure> 0 | 1

**Example:** CAL:LEV:MEAS?

starts adjustments for maximum level accuracy.

Response: "0"

adjustment has been performed successfully.

Usage: Query only

### :CALibration<hw>:LEVel:EXTern:DATA <Data>

Selects the data used for of external level correction.

By default the instrument uses correction data obtained in the factory before delivery. In addition, customer data can be used for external level correction. The customer data is obtained using a R&S NRP power sensor. External level correction is a protected function (see service manual, chapter 2, "Adjustment").

Parameters:

<Data> FACT | CUST

\*RST: FACTory

**Example:** CAL:LEV:EXT:DATA FACT

selects the use of the data aquired at the factory for external level

correction.

**CLOCk Subsystem** 

### :CALibration<hw>:LEVel:STATe <State>

The command switches on or off internal level correction.

Parameters:

<State> ON | OFF

\*RST: ON

**Example:** CAL:LEV:STAT

switches on level correction.

# 7.5 CLOCk Subsystem

The CLOCk system contains the commands for configuration of the signals at the clock output and input connectors.

CLOCk:INPut:FREQuency	459
CLOCk:INPut:SLOPe	459

### :CLOCk:INPut:FREQuency?

The command sets the measured frequency of the external clock signal. An external clock reference must be supplied at the CLOCK input.

#### Return values:

<Frequency> float

**Example:** CLOC:INP:FREQ

queries the measured frequency of the external clock reference.

Usage: Query only

### :CLOCk:INPut:SLOPe <Slope>

The command sets the active slope of an externally applied clock signal at the CLOCK connector.

#### Parameters:

<Slope> NEGative | POSitive

\*RST: POSitive

Example: CLOC: INP: SLOP NEG

The active slope of the external clock signal at the CLOCK con-

nector is the falling slope.

# 7.6 DIAGnostic Subsystem

The DIAGnostic system contains the commands used for instrument diagnosis and servicing. SCPI does not define any DIAGnostic commands; the commands listed here

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are all Device-specific. All DIAGnostic commands are query commands which are not influenced by \*RST.

:DIAGnostic <hw>:BGINfo</hw>	460
:DIAGnostic <hw>:BGINfo:CATalog</hw>	460
:DIAGnostic:INFO:OTIMe	
:DIAGnostic:INFO:POCount	461

#### :DIAGnostic<hw>:BGINfo?

The command checks the modules available in the instrument using the variant and revision state.

If the command is sent without parameters being specified, a complete list of all modules is returned (the various entries are separated by commas). The length of the list is variable and depends on the instrument equipment configuration.

If the command is sent with parameters, a list of the specified modules is returned (the various entries are separated by commas). A list of modules names can be called up using the command :DIAGnostic<hw>:BGINfo:CATalog on page 460.

### Return values:

<Bginfo> < Module name> <Module stock number incl. variant> <Module

revision> < Module serial number>

Each entry for one module consists of four parts which are sepa-

rated by space characters.

Example: DIAG:BGIN

Queries the instrument configuration.

Response: MBRD, SSYN, IQOP3, IQOP3 LCM, ....

returns the data of all available modules.

DIAG:BGIN? 'MBRD'

Queries the configuration of the motherboard.

Response: MBRD 1141.3501.02 1.5.3 100023 Module motherboard with stock number 1141.3501.01 has revi-

sion 1.5.3 and serial number 100023.

Usage: Query only

# :DIAGnostic<hw>:BGINfo:CATalog?

The command queries the names of the assemblies available in the instrument.

A complete list of all assemblies is returned (the various entries are separated by commas). The length of the list is variable and depends on the instrument equipment configuration.

### Return values:

<Catalog> string

**Example:** DIAG:BGIN:CAT

queries the names of the assemblies.

Response: MBRD, SSYN, IQOP3, IQOP3\_LCM, ....

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Usage: Query only

#### :DIAGnostic:INFO:OTIMe?

The command queries the number of operation hours.

Return values:

<OTIMe> float

**Example:** DIAG:INFO:OTIM

queries the operation hours. Response: 100023

The instrument was operated for 100023 hours up to now.

**Usage:** Query only

### :DIAGnostic:INFO:POCount?

The command queries the number of power-on events.

Return values:

<Pocount> float

**Example:** DIAG:INFO:POC

queries the number of power on events.

Response: 123

The instrument was switched on for 123 times up to now.

Usage: Query only

# 7.7 DISPlay Subsystem

The DISPlay subsystem contains the commands to set the power-save mode of the instrument.

:DISPlay:ANNotation:AMPLitude	461
:DISPlay:ANNotation:FREQuency	
:DISPlay:ANNotation[:ALL]	462
:DISPlay:DIALog:CLOSe	
:DISPlay:DIALog:ID	
:DISPlay:DIALog:OPEN	
:DISPlay:PSAVe:HOLDoff	
:DISPlay:PSAVe[:STATe]	463
, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	

### :DISPlay:ANNotation:AMPLitude <State>

Fades out level display in the header of the instrument and displays asterisks instead.

Parameters:

<State> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: 1

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Example: DISP:ANN:AMPL ON

shows asterisks instead of level values.

### :DISPlay:ANNotation:FREQuency <State>

Fades out frequency display in the header of the instrument and displays asterisks instead.

Parameters:

<State> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: 1

Example: DISP:ANN:FREQ ON

shows asterisks instead of the frequency.

### :DISPlay:ANNotation[:ALL] <State>

Fades out level and frequency display in the header of the instrument and displays asterisks instead. These settings are particularly useful when you remotely control the instrument.

Parameters:

<State> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: 1

**Example:** DISP:ANN:AMPL ON

shows asterisks instead of frequency and level values.

# :DISPlay:DIALog:CLOSe <DialogId>

Closes the specified dialog. To determine the dialog identifier, use command:

DISPlay:DIALog:ID.

**Setting parameters:** 

<DialogId> string

**Example:** DISP:DIAL:CLOS "<dialog ID>"

closes the dialog, determined with the "<dialog ID>".

**Usage:** Setting only

## :DISPlay:DIALog:ID

Returns the dialog identifiers of the open dialogs in a string separated by blanks.

Parameters:

<DialogIdList> string

**Example:** DISP:DIAL:ID?

Response: "<dialog ID(1)> <dialog ID(2)> ...

<dialog ID(n)>"

returns the lds of all opened dialogs.

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### :DISPlay:DIALog:OPEN <DialogId>

Opens the specified dialog. To determine the dialog identifier, use command:

DISPlay:DIALog:ID.

### **Setting parameters:**

<DialogId> string

Example: DISP:DIAL:OPEN "<dialog ID>"

opens the dialog, determined with the "<dialog ID>".

**Usage:** Setting only

### :DISPlay:PSAVe:HOLDoff <Holdoff>

Sets the waiting time for the screen-save mode of the display. The entry is dimensionless.

#### Parameters:

<Holdoff> integer

Range: 1 to 60 \*RST: 10 Default unit: minute

**Example:** DISP:PSAV:HOLD 8

sets the timeout of the screen saver to 8 minutes.

# :DISPlay:PSAVe[:STATe] <State>

Activates the screen-save mode of the display. If activated, the display including backlight is completely switched off after the elapse of the wait time, provided no entries via front panel, external mouse or external keyboard are made. To determine the wait time, use command : DISPlay: PSAVe: HOLDoff.

This mode is recommended for protecting the display, especially if the instrument is operated via remote control.

# Parameters:

<State> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: OFF

Example: DISP:PSAV ON

activates screen saver mode.

# 7.8 FORMat Subsystem

The FORMat subsystem contains the commands which determine the format of the data that the R&S SMBV returns to the controller. This affects all query commands which return a list of numerical data or block data. Reference is made to this in the descriptions of the commands.

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:FORMat[:DATA]	464
:FORMat:SREGister	464

#### :FORMat:BORDer <Border>

The command determines the sequence of bytes within a binary block. This only affects blocks which use the IEEE754 format internally.

### Parameters:

<Border> NORMal | SWAPped

#### **NORMal**

The instrument expects (with setting commands) and sends (with queries) the least significant byte of each IEEE754 floating-point number first and the most significant byte last.

#### **SWAPped**

The instrumenet expects (with setting commands) and sends (with queries) the most significant byte of each IEEE754 floating-point number first and the least significant byte last.

\*RST: NORMal

**Example:** FORM: BORD SWAP

the data is transferred with the most significant bit first.

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

The command determines the data format which the R&S Signal Generator uses to return data. When data is transferred from the control computer to the instrument, the instrument detects the data format automatically. In this case, the value set here is irrelevant.

#### Parameters:

<Data> ASCii | PACKed

**ASCII** 

Numerical data is transferred as plain text separated by commas.

### **PACKed**

Numerical data is transferred as binary block data. The format within the binary data depends on the command. The various binary data formats are explained in the description of the param-

eter types.

\*RST: ASCii

**Example:** FORM ASC

The data is transferred as ASCII data.

## :FORMat:SREGister <Sregister>

The command determines the numerical format which is returned when the status registers are queried.

### Parameters:

<Sregister> ASCii | BINary | HEXadecimal | OCTal

**ASCII** 

The register content is returned as a decimal number.

**BINary** 

The register content is returned as a binary number. #B is placed

in front of the number.

**HEXadecimal** 

The register content is returned as a hexadecimal number. #H is

placed in front of the number.

**OCTal** 

The register content is returned as an octal number. #Q is placed

in front of the number.

\*RST: ASCii

**Example:** FORM: SREG HEX

The register content is returned as a hexadecimal number.

# 7.9 HCOPy Subsystem

The HCOPy subsystem contains the commands to generate a hardcopy of the display.

:HCOPy:DATA	465
:HCOPy:DEVice	
:HCOPy:DEVice:LANGuage	466
:HCOPy[:EXECute]	466
:HCOPy:FILE[:NAME]	467
:HCOPy:FILE[:NAME]:AUTO	
:HCOPy:FILE[:NAME]:AUTO:DIRectory	467
:HCOPy:FILE[:NAME]:AUTO:DIRectory:CLEar	468
:HCOPy:FILE[:NAME]:AUTO:FILE	
:HCOPy:FILE[:NAME]:AUTO[:FILE]:DAY	468
:HCOPy:FILE[:NAME]:AUTO[:FILE]:DAY:STATe	
:HCOPy:FILE[:NAME]:AUTO[:FILE]:MONTh	469
:HCOPy:FILE[:NAME]:AUTO[:FILE]:MONTh:STATe	469
:HCOPy:FILE[:NAME]:AUTO[:FILE]:NUMBer	
:HCOPy:FILE[:NAME]:AUTO[:FILE]:PREFix	470
:HCOPy:FILE[:NAME]:AUTO[:FILE]:PREFix:STATe	470
:HCOPy:FILE[:NAME]:AUTO[:FILE]:YEAR	470
:HCOPy:FILE[:NAME]:AUTO[:FILE]:YEAR:STATe	470
:HCOPy:FILE[:NAME]:AUTO:STATe	
:HCOPy:IMAGe:FORMat	471
:HCOPy:IMAGe:SIZE	

## :HCOPy:DATA?

The commands transfers the hardcopy data directly as a NByte stream to the remote client.

Return values:

<Data> string

Example: HCOP:DEV:LANG JPG

HCOP: DATA?

transfers the hardcopy to the remote client.

Usage: Query only

### :HCOPy:DEVice < Device>

The command defines the output device. The hardcopy can be output in a file. The HCOPY: FILE:... commands are used for configuration. The file is accessible using the MMEM:.. commands. In addition, the hardcopy data can be directly transferred to the remote client using command: HCOPY: DATA.

Parameters:

<Device> FILE

\*RST: FILE

**Example:** HCOP: DEV FILE

the hardcopy will be stored in a file.

### :HCOPy:DEVice:LANGuage <Language>

The command selects the bitmap graphic format for the screenshot. It is also possible to directly retrieve the data using command HCOP: DATA?. This command is an alias to command HCOPy: IMAGe: FORMat.

Parameters:

<Language> BMP | JPG | XPM | PNG

\*RST: BMP

**Example:** HCOP: DEV: LANG BMP

selects bitmap as image format.
HCOP:FILE '/usb/HCopy'

defines the directory, path and file name for storing the hardcopy.

HCOP

triggers the hardcopy generation.

### :HCOPy[:EXECute]

The command triggers the generation of a hardcopy.

The data is written into the file selected/created with the HCOP: FILE commands.

Example: HCOE

triggers the generation of a hardcopy of the current display.

Usage: Event

### :HCOPy:FILE[:NAME] <Name>

This command creates/selects a file into which the hardcopy will be stored. The path is specified together with the file name. Access to the file via remote control is possible using the commands of the MMEM-Subsystem. In contrast, command <code>HCOPy:DATA?</code> transfers the hardcopy contents directly to the remote client where they can be further processed.

If automatic file naming is activated, the hardcopy is stored into a file with an automatically generated name (commands <code>HCOPY:FILE[:NAME]:AUTO:...</code>).

Parameters:

<Name> string

**Example:** HCOP:FILE:NAME '/usb/HCopy'

defines the hardcopy file name.

### :HCOPy:FILE[:NAME]:AUTO?

This command queries the path including the file name of the file with automatically generated name.

Return values:

<Auto> string

Example: HCOP: DEV: LANG BMP

selects output format \*,bmp.

HCOP: FILE: AUTO: DIR '/usb/HCopy' defines the destination directory '/usb/HCopy'.

HCOP:FILE:AUTO:PREF 'gen'

the file name starts with the prefix 'gen'. The usage of automatic naming with prefix and date in the file name is preset (...: STAT

ON). HCOP

triggers the generation of a hardcopy of the current trace.

HCOP: FILE: AUTO?

queries the path including the file name

Response:

/usb/HCopy/gen101012008001.bmp

Usage: Query only

# :HCOPy:FILE[:NAME]:AUTO:DIRectory < Directory>

This command defines the directory into which the hardcopy files will be stored if auto naming is activated (HCOP:FILE:AUTO:STAT ON). The directory will be created if it does not exist yet.

Parameters:

<Directory> string

\*RST: .\HCopy

**Example:** HCOP:FILE:AUTO:DIR '/usb/HCopy'

defines the destination directory '/usb/HCopy'

### :HCOPy:FILE[:NAME]:AUTO:DIRectory:CLEar

This command deletes all files with extensions "bmp", "img", "png" and "xpm" in the directory set for automatic naming.

**Example:** HCOP:FILE:AUTO:DIR:CLE

deletes all image files with extensions "bmp", "img", "png" and

"xpm".

Usage: Event

# :HCOPy:FILE[:NAME]:AUTO:FILE?

This command queries the file name that what generated using the automatic naming settings. By default the automatically generated file name is composed of:

<Pre><Pre>fix><YYYY><MM><DD><Number>.<Format>.

Each component can be deactivated/activated separately to individually design the file name.

#### Return values:

<File> string

Example: HCOP:DEV:LANG BMP

selects output format \*.bmp.

HCOP:FILE:AUTO:DIR '/usb/HCopy'
defines the destination directory '/usb/HCopy'

HCOP:FILE:AUTO:PREF 'gen'

the file name starts with the prefix 'gen'. The usage of automatic naming with prefix and date in the file name is preset (...: STAT

ON). HCOP

triggers the generation of a hardcopy of the current trace.

HCOP:FILE:AUTO:FILE?
queries the file name

Response: 'gen101012008001.bmp'

Usage: Query only

# :HCOPy:FILE[:NAME]:AUTO[:FILE]:DAY?

The command returns the day of the current system date which will be used in the file name if automatic naming is activated.

#### Return values:

<Day> float

**Example:** HCOP:FILE:AUTO:DAY?

returns the day in the date part of the automatic file name.

Usage: Query only

### :HCOPy:FILE[:NAME]:AUTO[:FILE]:DAY:STATe <State>

This command activates the usage of the day in the automatic file name.

Parameters:

<State> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: ON

**Example:** HCOP:FILE:AUTO:DAY:STAT OFF

deactivates the use of the day in the automatically generated file

name.

# :HCOPy:FILE[:NAME]:AUTO[:FILE]:MONTh?

This command queries the month in the date part in the automatic file name.

Return values:

<Month> float

**Example:** HCOP:FILE:AUTO:MONT?

queries the month in the date part in the automatic file name.

Usage: Query only

# :HCOPy:FILE[:NAME]:AUTO[:FILE]:MONTh:STATe <State>

This command activates the usage of the month in the automatic file name.

Parameters:

<State> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: ON

**Example:** HCOP:FILE:AUTO:MONT:STAT OFF

deactivates the usage of the month in the automatic file name.

# :HCOPy:FILE[:NAME]:AUTO[:FILE]:NUMBer?

This command queries the number in the automatic file name. The number is assigned in such a way that always the lowest possible value for an unique file name within the selected path is used.

On initially switching on the device the number will be reset to the lowest possible value. Starting with number 0 the output directory will be scanned for already existing files. As long as files with the same name are existing the number will be incremented by 1. The number will be automatically set to a number so that the resulting file name will be unique within the selected path. The current number will not be saved in the save recall file but will be temporarily stored within the database. On subsequent saves the number will be incremented.

Return values:

<Number> float

**Example:** HCOP:FILE:AUTO:NUMB?

queries the number in the automatic file name.

Usage: Query only

### :HCOPy:FILE[:NAME]:AUTO[:FILE]:PREFix <Prefix>

This command defines the prefix part in the automatic file name. The usage of the prefix is activated with command HCOP: FILE: AUTO: PREF: STAT ON.

Parameters:

<Pre><Prefix> string

\*RST: HCopy

**Example:** HCOP:FILE:AUTO:PREF 'Snapshot'

appends "Snapshot" as prefix to the generated file name.

# :HCOPy:FILE[:NAME]:AUTO[:FILE]:PREFix:STATe <State>

This command activates the usage of the prefix in the automatic file name. The prefix is entered with command HCOP: FILE: AUTO: PREF.

Parameters:

<State> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: ON

**Example:** HCOP:FILE:AUTO:PREF:STAT OFF

deactivates the usage of the prefix in the automatic file name.

# :HCOPy:FILE[:NAME]:AUTO[:FILE]:YEAR?

This command queries the year in the date part in the automatic file name.

Return values:

<Year> float

**Example:** HCOPy:FILE:AUTO:YEAR?

queries the year in the date part in the automatic file name.

Usage: Query only

### :HCOPy:FILE[:NAME]:AUTO[:FILE]:YEAR:STATe <State>

This command activates the usage of the year in the automatic file name.

Parameters:

<State> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: ON

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**Example:** HCOP:FILE:AUTO:YEAR:STAT OFF

deactivates the usage of the year in the automatic file name.

### :HCOPy:FILE[:NAME]:AUTO:STATe <State>

This command activates/deactivates automatic naming of the hardcopy files.

#### Parameters:

<State> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: ON

**Example:** HCOP:FILE:AUTO:STAT OFF

deactivates automatic naming.

## :HCOPy:IMAGe:FORMat <Format>

This command selects the bitmap graphic format for the screenshot. It is also possible to directly retrieve the data using command HCOP: DATA?.

This command is an alias to command HCOPy: DEVice: LANGuage.

#### Parameters:

<Format> BMP | JPG | XPM | PNG

\*RST: BMP

**Example:** HCOP:IMAG:FORM XPM

selects the image format XPM.

### :HCOPy:IMAGe:SIZE <Size>

The command selects the image size of the hardcopy. The first value of the size setting defines the width, the second value the height of the image.

# Parameters:

<Size> 320,640 | 640,480 | 800,600 | 1024,768

\*RST: depends on device

Example: HCOP:IMAG:SIZE 640,480

sets width and height of the image.

# 7.10 KBOard Subsystem

The KBOard system contains the commands to set the external keyboard.

| KBOard:LANGuage472 |  |
|--------------------|--|
| KBOard:LAYout      |  |

### :KBOard:LANGuage <Language>

This command selects the keyboard language. The assignment of some keys depends on the selected language.

Parameters:

<Language> US | DE

\*RST: US

Example: KBO:LANG US

selects keyboard language American English.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

#### :KBOard:LAYout?

This command selects the keyboard language. The assignment of some keys depends on the selected language.

#### Return values:

<Layout> CHINese | DANish | DUTCh | ENGUK | ENGUS | FINNish |

FRENch | FREBe | FRECa | GERMan | ITALian | JAPanese | KORean | NORWegian | PORTuguese | RUSSian | SPANish |

**SWEDish** 

\*RST: US

**Example:** KBO:LAY US

activates American keyboard layout.

Usage: Query only

SCPI confirmed

# 7.11 MMEMory Subsystem

The MMEMory subsystem (Mass Memory) contains the commands for managing files and directories as well as for loading and storing complete instrument settings in files.

The files are stored on the internal flash card of the instrument. The /var directory can be used to save user-defined data; any subdirectory structure can be created on /var. Some default subdirectories are predefined, but can be changed at any time.

The default directory is determined using the command MMEMory: CDIR.



The /opt directory is a protected and therefore unaccessible system directory. The files on this directory contain data that must not be changed. Therefore, this directory should not be accessed, since reconstruction of the system partition will lead to data loss.

# 7.11.1 File Naming Conventions

To enable files in different file systems to be used, the following file naming conventions should be observed.

The file name can be of any length and no distinction is made between uppercase and lowercase letters. The file and the optional file extension are separated by a dot. All letters and numbers are permitted (numbers are, however, not permitted at the beginning of the file name). Where possible, special characters should not be used. Use of the slashes "\" and "/" should be avoided since they are used in file paths. A number of names are reserved by the operating system, e.g. CLOCK\$, CON, AUX, COM1...COM4, LPT1...LPT3, NUL and PRN.

In the R&S Signal Generator all files in which lists and settings are stored are given a characteristic extension. The extension is separated from the actual file name by a dot (see chapter 4.7.2.1, "Extensions for User Files", on page 95 for an overview the file types).

The two characters "\*" and "?" function as "wildcards", i.e. they are used for selecting several files. The "?" character represents exactly one character, while the "\*" character represents all characters up to the end of the file name. "\*.\*" therefore stands for all the files in a directory.

When used in conjunction with the commands, the parameter <file\_name> is specified as a string parameter with quotation marks. It can contain either the complete path including the drive, only the path and file name, or only the file name. The file name must include the file extension. The same applies for the parameters <directory\_name> and <path>.

Depending on how much information is provided, either the values specified in the parameter or the values specified with the command MMEM: CDIR (default directory) are used for the path and drive setting in the commands.

Before the instrument settings can be stored in a file, they have to be stored in an intermediate memory using common command \*SAV <number>. The specified number is subsequently used in the :MMEMORY:STORE:STATe command. Also, subsequently to loading a file with instrument settings with command :MMEMORY:LOAD:STATe, these settings have to be activated with the common command \*RCL <number>.

### 7.11.2 Extensions for User Files

The following table list all available file extensions for user files. The currently available files on the instrument depends on the installed options.

Table 7-1: List of the automatically assigned file extensions in the instrument

|                              |           | =  |             |
|------------------------------|-----------|--|-------------|
| Function/Digital<br>Standard | List type | Contents                                 | File suffix |
| Instrument State             | Settings  | Instrument settings                      | *.savrcltxt |
| "User Correction"            | List      | User-defined level correction values     | *.uco       |
| "List Mode"                  | List      | User-defined frequency/level value pairs | *.lsw       |

| Response Correc- | Settings                | User-defined frequency response correction file               |                    |
|------------------|-------------------------|---|--------------------|
| tion"            |                         | eser defined frequency response confection file               | *.frc              |
|                  | Waveform                | ARB waveforms   | *.WV               |
| Generator"       |                         | ARB multi segment waveforms                                   |                    |
| V                | Waveform                | ARB multi carrier settings                                    | *.arb_mult carr    |
|                  | Configuration<br>data   | Configuration file for creation of multisegment ARB waveforms | *.inf_mswv         |
| F                | Play List               | ARB Sequencing List   | *.wvs              |
| "DM"             | Data List               | Digital modulation data                                       | *.dm_iqd *.tdm     |
| C                | Control List            | Data to control digital modulation                            | *.dm_iqc           |
| 5                | Settings                | Digital modulation settings                                   | *.dm               |
| ι                | User Standard           | Digital modulation user standard                              | *.dm_stu           |
| ι                | User Mapping            | Digital modulation user mapping                               | *.vam              |
| ι                | User Filter             | Digital modulation user filter                                | *.vaf              |
| "NRP Settings"   | Settings                | NRP Settings  | *.nrp              |
| EX-IQ-Box L      | User Settings           | EX-IQ-Box User Defined Settings                               | *.iqbox            |
| "Fading" F       | Fading                  | Fading data   | *.fad              |
| "GSM/EDGE" S     | Settings                | GSM/EDGE settings   | *.gsm              |
| S                | Slot                    | User-defined slot data  | *.gsm_slu          |
| F                | Frame                   | User-defined frame data                                       | *.gsm_fu           |
| S                | Slot                    | Higher symbol rate slot                                       | *.gsm_hslu         |
| F                | Frame                   | Higher symbol rate frame                                      | *.gsm_hfu          |
|                  | Bluetooth Set-<br>tings | Complete setting of the Bluetooth menu                        | *.bto              |
|                  | TETRA Set-<br>tings     | Complete setting of the TETRA menu                            | *.tetra            |
| "3GPP FDD"       | Settings                | Complete setting of the 3GPP (FDD) menu                       | *.3g               |
| S                | Settings                | Channel coding enhanced DPCH channels (downlink)              | *.<br>3g_ccod_dl_s |
| S                | Settings                | Channel coding enhanced DPDCH channels (uplink)               | *.3g_ccod_ul       |
| "CDMA2000" S     | Settings                | Complete setting of the CDMA2000 menu                         | *.cdma2k           |
| "TD-SCDMA2000" S | Settings                | Complete setting of the TD-SCDMA2000 menu                     | *.tdscdma          |
| 5                | Settings                | Test Model for TD-SCDMA2000                                   | *.tdtmd            |

| Function/Digital<br>Standard | List type     | Contents                                       | File suffix            |
|------------------------------|---------------|--|------------------------|
| 1xEV-DO                      | Settings      | Complete setting of the 1xEV-DO menu           | *.evdo                 |
| "IEEE 802.11<br>WLAN"        | Settings      | Complete setting of the IEEE 802.11 WLAN menu  | *.wlan                 |
| "IEEE 802.11 n<br>WLAN"      | Settings      | Complete setting of the IEEE 802.11n WLAN menu | *.wlann                |
|                              | Settings      | Beamforming data                               | *.bmf                  |
| "IEEE 802.16<br>WiMAX"       | Settings      | Complete setting of the IEEE 802.16 WiMAX menu | *.wimax                |
| "EUTRA/LTE"                  | Settings      | Complete setting of the EUTRA/LTE menu         | *.eutra                |
|                              | Settings      | TDD Settings                                   | *.lte_tdd              |
|                              | Settings      | User-defined IQ-File                           | *.iqw                  |
| "GPS"                        | Settings      | Complete setting of the GPS/A-GPS menu         | *.gps                  |
|                              | Settings      | GPS Almanac Settings                           | *.txt *.alm *.al3      |
|                              | Settings      | GPS Waypoints File                             | *.txt                  |
|                              | Settings      | GPS Generated Almanac File                     | *rs_al *.rs_yuma       |
|                              | Settings      | GPS Ionospheric File                           | *.rs_ion               |
|                              | Settings      | GPS Navigation Data                            | *.rs_nav               |
|                              | Settings      | GPS UTC File                                   | *.rs_utc<br>*.rs_acq   |
| "FM-Stereo"                  | Settings      | Complete setting of the FM-Stereo menu         | *.fmstereo             |
|                              | Settings      | FM-Stereo Group Type Settings                  | *.fm_gt                |
|                              | Settings      | FM-Stereo Group Hex Type Settings              | *.fm_ghex              |
|                              | Waveform File | Waveform File                                  | *.wav                  |
| "Sirius"                     | Settings      | Complete setting of the Sirirus menu           | *.sirius               |
| "XM-Radio"                   | Settings      | Complete setting of the XM-Radio menu          | *.xmradio              |
|                              | Settings      | XM-Radio TWTA Data                             | *.twta                 |
| "DVB"                        | Settings      | Complete setting of the DVB menu               | *.dvb                  |
|                              | Settings      | DVB Transport Stream                           | *.gts<br>*.ts<br>*.trp |

| Function/Digital<br>Standard | List type | Contents                               | File suffix |
|------------------------------|-----------|--|-------------|
| "DAB/T-DMB"                  | Settings  | Complete setting of the DAB/T-DMB menu | *.dab       |
|                              | Settings  | DAB ETI Files                          | *.eti       |
|                              |           |  | *.xeti      |

# 7.11.3 Examples

In these examples, the current instrument setting is stored in the file test1.savrcltxt in the directory user.

## **Storing and Loading Current Settings**

- Store the current setting in an intermediate memory with number 4. This setting can be called using command \*RCL and the associated number of the memory, e.g. \*RCL 4.
  - \*SAV 4
- 2. To store the settings in a file in a specific directory, specify the complete path.

```
MMEM:STOR:STAT 4,"var/user/test.savrcltxt"
```

3. To store the settings in a file in the default drive, set the default drive and specify only the file name.

```
MMEM:CDIR 'var/user'*SAV 4
MMEM:STOR:STAT 4,"test.savrcltxt"
```

4. Load the file test.savrcltxt in the user directory.

```
MMEM:LOAD:STAT 4,'/var/smbv/user/test.savrcltxt'
```

5. Activate the instrument setting of the file test.savrcltxt.

\*RCL 4

### **Working with Files and Directories**

MMEM:CAT? '/usb/user'

1. Read out all files in the specified directory.

5327", "waveform.wv, BIN, 2342"

```
Response: 127145265, 175325184, "test, DIR, 0", "temp, DIR, 0", "readme.txt, ASC, 1324", "state.savrcltxt, STAT,
```

the directory /usb/user contains the subdirectories test and temp as well as the files readme.txt, state.savrcltxt and waveform.wv which have different file types.

**Tip:** To query only the subdirectories of the current or specified directory, perform: MMEM: DCAT? '/usb/user'

```
Response: 'test', 'temp'
```

To query only the number of subdirectories in the current or specified directory, perform:

MMEM:DCAT:LENG? '/usb/user'

Response: 2

2. To query the number of files in the current or specified directory, perform:

MMEM:CAT:LENG? '/usb/user'

Response: 3

3. Create a new subdirectory for mass memory storage in the specified directory.

MMEM:MDIR '/usb/user/new'

4. Copy the file state to a new file.

MMEM:COPY '/var/smbv/user/state.savrcltxt','/usb/user/new'

5. Rename the file state.

MMEM:MOVE 'state.savrcltxt','state new.savrcltxt'

6. Remove the test directory.

MMEM:RDIR '/usb/user/test'

## 7.11.4 Remote Control Commands

| :MMEMory:CATalog         | 477 |
|--------------------------|-----|
| :MMEMory:CATalog:LENGth  | 478 |
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| :MMEMory:COPY            | 478 |
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| :MMEMory:DCATalog        |     |
| :MMEMory:DCATalog:LENGth |     |
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| :MMEMory:RDIRectory      |     |
| :MMEMory:STORe:STATe     |     |

# :MMEMory:CATalog? <path>

Returns the content of the current or a specified directory.

### **Query parameters:**

<path> string

String parameter to specify the directory. If the directory is omitted, the command queries the content of the current directory, queried

with MMEM: CDIR command.

Return values:

<used memory>

Total amount of storage currently used in the directory, in bytes.

<free\_memory>

Total amount of storage available in the directory, in bytes.

<file\_entry>

All files of the directory are listed with their file name, format and

size in bytes.

**Example:** See "Working with Files and Directories" on page 476.

Usage: Query only

### :MMEMory:CATalog:LENGth?

Returns the number of files in the current or in the specified directory.

Return values:

<Length> <path>

String parameter to specify the directory. If the directory is omitted, the command queries the content of the current directory, queried

with MMEM: CDIR command.

<count> Number of files

**Example:** See "Working with Files and Directories" on page 476.

Usage: Query only

### :MMEMory:CDIRectory <Cdirectory>

Changes the default directory for mass memory storage. The directory is used for all subsequent MMEM commands if no path is specified with them. It is also possible to change to a higher directory using two dots '..'.

**Setting parameters:** 

<Cdirectory> <directory\_name>

**Example:** See "Working with Files and Directories" on page 476.

**Usage:** Setting only

SCPI confirmed

## :MMEMory:COPY <file\_source>[,<file\_destination>]

Copies an existing to a new file. Instead of just a file, this command can also be used to copy a complete directory together with all its files.

It is also possible to specify the path using another parameter. The command is:

MMEMory: COPY

<file\_source><msus\_source>[,<file\_destination>, <msus destination>]

### Setting parameters:

<file\_source> string

String parameter to specify the name of the file to be copied. If <destination> is not specified, <source> is copied to the MMEM: CDIR directory. Files which already exist with the same name in the destination directory are overwritten without an error message.

It is also possible to specify the path using another parameter. The

command is: MMEMory:COPY

<file\_source><msus\_source>[,<file\_destination>,

<msus\_destination>]

file\_destination string

String parameter to specify the name of the new file. If no file destination is specified, the source file is copied to the current direcotry, queried with the MMEM: CDIR command. Files which already exist with the same name in the destination directory are overwrit-

ten without an error message.

**Example:** See "Working with Files and Directories" on page 476.

Usage: Event

SCPI confirmed

:MMEMory:DATA <file\_name>[,<binary block data>]

:MMEMory:DATA? <file\_name>

Writes the block data <br/>
 block data < to the file identified by <file\_name >. The IEC/
IEEE-bus terminator should be set to EOI in order to ensure correct data transfer.

The associated query command transfers the specified file from the instrument to the IEC/IEEE bus and then on to the control computer. It is important to ensure that the intermediate memory on the control computer is large enough to take the file. In this case, the setting for the IEC/IEEE-bus terminator is irrelevant. This command can be used to read/transfer stored instrument settings or waveforms directly from/to the instrument.

### Parameters:

<file\_name> String parameter to specify the name of the file.

### **Setting parameters:**

<binary block data> #<number><length entry><block data>

# always comes first in the binary block

<number> the first digit indicates how many digits the subsequent

length entry has

<length entry> indicates the number of subsequent bytes<br/>>binary block data> binary block data for the specified length.

**Example:** MMEM:DATA 'TEST1.WV', #3767<binary data>

writes the block data to the file test1.wv.

The digit "3" indicates a length entry of 3 digits; the digits "767"

indicate a length of the binary data in bytes.

MMEM:DATA? 'TEST1.WV'

sends the data of the file Test1.wv from the instrumenet to the

controller in the form of a binary block.

### :MMEMory:DCATalog?

Returns the subdirectories of the current or specified directory.

### **Query parameters:**

<path\_name> String parameter to specify the directory. If the directory is omitted,

the command queries the content of the current directory, queried

with MMEM: CDIR command.

Return values:

<Dcatalog> <file\_entry>

Names of the subdirectories separated by colons. The first two

strings are related to the parent directory.

**Example:** See "Working with Files and Directories" on page 476.

Usage: Query only

### :MMEMory:DCATalog:LENGth? [<path\_name>]

Returns the number of subdirectories in the current or specified directory.

# **Query parameters:**

<path name> String parameter to specify the directory. If the directory is omitted,

the command queries the contents of the current directory, to be

queried with MMEM: CDIR command.

Return values:

**Example:** See "Working with Files and Directories" on page 476.

### :MMEMory:DELete < Delete >

Removes a file from the specified directory.

#### Setting parameters:

<Delete> <file\_name>

String parameter to specify the name and directry of the file to be

removed.

**Example:** See "Working with Files and Directories" on page 476.

Usage: Event

SCPI confirmed

### :MMEMory:LOAD:STATe <sav\_rcl\_state\_number>, <file\_name>

This command loads the specified file stored under the specified name in an internal memory.

After the file has been loaded, the instrument setting must be activated using an \*RCL command.

### Setting parameters:

<sav\_rcl\_state\_numbeDetermines to the specific <number> to be used with the \*RCL

command, e.g. \*RCL 4.

<file\_name> String parameter to specify the file name with extension

\*.savrcltxt.

**Example:** See "Storing and Loading Current Settings" on page 476.

Usage: Setting only

### :MMEMory:MDIRectory <directory\_name>

Creates a new subdirectory for mass memory storage in the specified directory. If no directory is specified, a subdirectory is created in the default directory. This command can also be used to create a directory tree.

### **Setting parameters:**

<directory\_name> string

String parameter to specify the new directory.

**Example:** See "Working with Files and Directories" on page 476.

**Usage:** Setting only

# :MMEMory:MOVE <file\_source>, <file\_destination>

Moves an existing file to a new location or, if no path is specified, renames an existing file.

It is also possible to specify the path using another parameter. The command is:

MMEMory: MOVE

file\_source, msus\_source[, file\_destination, msus\_destination]

# **Setting parameters:**

<file source> String parameter to specify the name of the file to be moved.

<file\_destination> String parameters to specify the name of the new file.

Example: See "Working with Files and Directories" on page 476.

**Usage:** Setting only

SCPI confirmed

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### :MMEMory:MSIS <Msis>

The command is without effect for the Linux operating system.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

### :MMEMory:RDIRectory <Rdirectory>

Removes an existing directory from the mass memory storage system. If no directory is specified, the subdirectory with the specified name is deleted in the default directory.

### Setting parameters:

<Rdirectory> string

String parameter to specify the directory to be deleted.

**Example:** See "Working with Files and Directories" on page 476.

**Usage:** Setting only

# :MMEMory:STORe:STATe <sav\_rcl\_state\_number>, <file\_name>

Stores the current instrument setting in the specified file.

The instrument setting must first be stored in an internal memory with the same number using the common command \*SAV.

# **Setting parameters:**

<sav\_rcl\_state\_numbeCorresponds to the specific <number> defined with the \*SAV

command, e.g. \*SAV 4.

<file\_name> String parameter to specify the file name with extension

\*.savrcltxt.

**Example:** See "Storing and Loading Current Settings" on page 476.

Usage: Event

# 7.12 OUTPut Subsystem

The OUTPut system contains the commands which set the properties of the RF OUTPUT connectors and USER connectors.

The properties of the LF output connector are set in the chapter 7.14.11, "SOURce:LFOutput Subsystem", on page 647 system.

| OUTPut <hw>:AFIXed:RANGe:LOWer</hw> | 483 |
|-------------------------------------|-----|
| OUTPut <hw>:AFIXed:RANGe:UPPer</hw> | 483 |
| OUTPut <hw>:AMODe</hw>              |     |
| OUTPut <hw>:IMPedance</hw>          |     |
| OUTPut <hw>:PROTection:CLEar.</hw>  |     |
| OUTPut <hw>:PROTection:TRIPped</hw> |     |
| OUTPut <hw>[:STATe]</hw>            |     |
|                                     |     |

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### :OUTPut<hw>:AFIXed:RANGe:LOWer?

The command queries the minimum level which can be set without the attenuator being adjusted (Attenuator FIXed).

Return values:

<Lower> float

Default unit: dBm

**Example:** OUTP:AFIX:RANG:LOW

queries the minimum level for the FIXed setting.

**Example:** Response: -50

The minimum level is -50 dBm.

Usage: Query only

### :OUTPut<hw>:AFIXed:RANGe:UPPer?

The command queries the maximum level which can be set without the attenuator being adjusted (Attenuator FIXed).

Return values:

<Upper> float

Default unit: dBm

**Example:** OUTP:AFIX:RANG:UPP

queries the maximum level for the FIXed setting for the RF output.

**Example:** Response: -27

The maximum level is -27 dBm.

Usage: Query only

# :OUTPut<hw>:AMODe <Amode>

The command switches the mode of the attenuator at the RF output (Attenuator MODe).

Parameters:

<Amode> AUTO | FIXed

**AUTO** 

The electronically switching attenuator switches with a 5 dB step width at fixed switching points.

**FIXed** 

The attenuator is fixed at the current position. The uninterrupted level settings are made if automatic level control is activated

(SOURce: POWer: ALC ON).

\*RST: AUTO

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Example: POW:ALC ON

activates automatic level control for RF output.

OUTP: AMOD FIX

sets the fixed mode with uninterrupted level for RF output.

#### :OUTPut<hw>:IMPedance?

The command queries the impedance of the RF outputs. This permits converting the output level between units V and W. The impedances cannot be changed.

Return values:

<Impedance> G50 | G1K | G10K

Default unit: Ohm

**Example:** OUTP: IMP

queries the impedance of RF output.

Response: 50

the impedance is 50 ohms

Usage: Query only

SCPI confirmed

### :OUTPut<hw>:PROTection:CLEar

The command resets the protective circuit after it has been tripped. The state of the output is again determined by OUTPut: STATe.

**Example:** OUTP:PROT:CLE

resets the protective circuit for RF output.

Usage: Event

SCPI confirmed

### :OUTPut<hw>:PROTection:TRIPped?

The command queries the state of the protective circuit.

Return values:

<Tripped> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON
Example: OUTP:PROT:TRIP

Queries the state of the protective circuit for RF output A.

Response: 0

The protective circuit has not tripped.

Response: 1

The protective circuit has tripped.

Usage: Query only

# :OUTPut<hw>[:STATe] <State>

This command activates and deactivates the RF output.

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Parameters:

<State> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

**Example:** OUTP OFF

deactivates the RF output.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

### :OUTPut<hw>[:STATe]:PON <Pon>

This command selects the state which the RF output assumes when the instrument is switched on.

Parameters:

<Pon> OFF | UNCHanged

**OFF** 

The output is deactivated when the instrument is switched on.

**UNCHanged** 

When the instrument is switched on, the output remains in the same state as it was when the instrument was switched off.

Example: OUTP:PON OFF

RF output A is deactivated when the instrument is switched on.

# 7.13 SENSe, READ and INITiate Subsystems

The SENSe subsystem contains the commands for configuring the power measurements with R&S NRP-Zxx power sensor(s) connected to the generator. The measurement is started and the measurement result retrieved with the READ command. The description of this commands is included in the following.

Up to four sensors can be connected to the signal generator. They are distinguished by means of the suffix under SENSe:

- Power sensor connected to the SENSOR port = SENSe [1]
- power sensor connected first to one of the USB interfaces = SENSe 2
- further power sensors connected second and third via USB = SENSe 3 and SENSe
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| :INITiate <ch>[:POWer]:CONTinuous</ch>             | 486 |
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| :READ <ch>[:POWer]</ch>                            | 486 |
| SENSe <ch>[:POWer]:CORRection:SPDevice:STATe</ch>  | 487 |
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| SENSe <ch>[:POWer]:FILTer:SONCe</ch>               |     |
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| SENSe <ch>[:POWer]:FREQuency</ch>       | 490 |
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| SENSe <ch>[:POWer]:SOURce</ch>          |     |
| SENSe <ch>[:POWer]:STATus[:DEVice]</ch> |     |
| SENSe <ch>[:POWer]:SVERsion</ch>        |     |
| SENSe <ch>[:POWer]:TYPE</ch>            |     |
| SENSe <ch>[:POWer]:ZERO</ch>            |     |
| SENSe <ch>:UNIT[:POWer]</ch>            |     |
|   |     |

### :INITiate<ch>[:POWer]:CONTinuous < Continuous>

The command switches the local state of the continuous power measurement by the R&S NRP-Zxx power sensors on and off. Switching the local state off enhances the measurement performance during remote control

The remote measurement is triggered by the READ query (command :READ<ch>[:POWer] on page 486) which also provides the measurement results. The local state is not influenced by this command, measurements results can be retrieved with local state on or off.

Parameters:

<Continuous> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: OFF

Example: INIT: CONT ON

switches local state of continuous power measurement on.

### :READ<ch>[:POWer]?

The command triggers the measurement with power sensors and provides the power measurement result of the selected power sensor. The value is provided with the unit set with command <code>SENSe:UNIT[:POWer]</code>.

For certain power sensors, e.g. R&S NRP-Z81, two values are returned, first the value for the average level and - separated by a comma - the peak level

**Note:** The local state is not influenced by this command, measurements results can be retrieved with local state on or off. For long measurement times it is recommended to use a SRQ (MAV bit) for command synchronization.

Suffix:

<ch> 1..3

Return values:

<Power> string

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Example: SENS:UNIT DBM

selects unit dBm for presentation of measurement result.

READ1?

queries the measurement result of the sensor connected to the

SENSOR interface.

Response: -45.6246576745440230

-45.6 dBm were measured at the given frequency.

or e.g. for R&S NRP-Z81

Response:

-55.62403263352178, -22.419472478812476

-55,6 dbm is the measured average level, -22. 4 dBm is the mea-

sured peak level at the given frequency

Usage: Query only

## SENSe<ch>[:POWer]:CORRection:SPDevice:STATe <State>

The command activates the use of the s-parameters correction data of the selected power sensor.

Note: For power sensor with attenuator this command is automatically set to ON.

Parameters:

<State> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: OFF

**Example:** SENS:POW:CORR:SPD:STAT ON

activates the use of the s-parameters correction data of power

sensor 1.

### SENSe<ch>[:POWer]:DISPlay:PERManent:STATe <State>

The command switches on and off the permanent indication of the power measurement result in the upper right corner of the block diagram. For each sensor, the type of sensor, the connector, the measurement source and - if set - the offset is indicated.

Parameters:

<State> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: OFF

**Example:** SENS1:POW:DISP:PERM:STAT ON

the permanent viewer is switched on.

### SENSe<ch>[:POWer]:DISPlay:PERManent:PRlority < Priority>

The command selects which power measurement result (average or peak power) is indicated when permanent display is active.

Parameters:

<Priority> AVERage | PEAK

\*RST: AVERage

**Example:** SENS1:DISP:PERM:STAT ON

the permanent viewer is switched on. SENS1:DISP:PERM:PRI AVER

the measured average power is indicated.

## SENSe<ch>[:POWer]:FILTer:LENGth:AUTO?

The command queries the current filter length for auto filter mode

(:SENSe<[1]...3>:POWer:FILTer:TYPE AUTO)

Return values:

<Auto> float

**Example:** SENS1:FILT:TYPE AUTO

selects auto filter mode for the power sensor connected to the

SENSOR connector.
SENS1:FILT:LENG:AUTO?

queries the automatically set filter length.

Response: 1024

Usage: Query only

## SENSe<ch>[:POWer]:FILTer:LENGth[:USER] <User>

The command selects the filter length for user filter mode

(SENSe: POWer: FILTer: TYPE USER). As the filter length works as a multiplier for the time window, a constant filter length results in a constant measurement time. Values 1 and 2<sup>n</sup> are settable.

The time window is fixed to 20 ms.

Parameters:

<User> float

Range: 1 to 65536

\*RST: 1

**Example:** SENS:FILT:TYPE USER

selects user filter mode. SENS:FILT:LENG 16

sets a filter length of 16. The resulting measurement time is 640

ms (2x16x20 ms).

## SENSe<ch>[:POWer]:FILTer:NSRatio <Nsratio>

The command defines the noise content for fixed noise filter mode

(:SENSe<[1]...3>:POWer:FILTer:TYPE NSRatio). This value determines the proportion of intrinsic noise in the measured result.

Parameters:

<Nsratio> float

Range: 0.0001 to 1.0

\*RST: 0.01

**Example:** SENS1:FILT:TYPE NSR

selects fixed noise filter mode for the power sensor connected to

the SENSOR connector.
SENS1:FILT:NSR 0.2
sets a noise content of 0.2.

## SENSe<ch>[:POWer]:FILTer:NSRatio:MTIMe < Mtime>

The command defines the timeout for fixed noise filter mode

(:SENSe<[1]...3>:POWer:FILTer:TYPE NSRatio). This value ensures limited settling times.

Parameters:

<Mtime> float

Range: 1.0 to 999.99

\*RST: 4
Default unit: s

**Example:** SENS1:FILT:TYPE NSR

selects fixed noise filter mode for the power sensor connected to

the SENSOR connector.

SENS1:FILT:NSR .2

sets a noise content of 0.2.

SENS1:FILT:NSR:MTIM 5

limits the settling time to 5 seconds

## SENSe<ch>[:POWer]:FILTer:SONCe

The command activates the search for the optimum filter length for the current measurement conditions. The found filter length can be retrieved with com-

mand :SENSe:POWer:FILTer:LENGth:USER?. This command is only available for user filter mode (:SENSe:POWer:FILTer:TYPE USER).

**Example:** SENS:FILT:TYPE USER

selects user filter mode.
SENS:FILT:SONC

activates the search for the optimum filter length.

SENS:FILT:LENG?

returns the found optimum filter length.

Response: 128

Usage: Event

## SENSe<ch>[:POWer]:FILTer:TYPE <Type>

The command selects the filter mode. The filter length is the multiplier for the time window and thus directly influences the measurement time.

#### Parameters:

<Type> AUTO | USER | NSRatio

#### **AUTO**

The filter length is automatically selected depending on the measured value. For high values, a short filter length is selected and for low values a long filter length is selected.

#### **USER**

The filter length is set manually. As the filter length works as a multiplier for the measurement time, this results in a constant measurement time.

#### **NSRatio**

The filter lenghth (averaging factor) is selected so that the sensor's intrinsic noise (2 standard deviations) does not exceed the specified noise content. The desired noise content is entered with command SENSe:FILTer:NSRatio.

To avoid very long settling times when the power is low, the averaging factor can be limited with the Timeout parameter (command

SENSe: FILTer: NSRatio: MTIMe).

\*RST: AUTO

**Example:** SENS:FILT:TYPE AUTO

selects automatic filter selection.

#### SENSe<ch>[:POWer]:FREQuency <Frequency>

The command sets the RF frequency of the source if the user source is selected (SENSe[:POWer]:SOURCE USER).

## Parameters:

<Frequency> float

\*RST: 1 GHz

Example: SENS:SOUR USER

selects user-defined source. SENS:FREQ 2.44 GHz

enters the RF frequency of the source which is 2.44 GHz.

# SENSe<ch>[:POWer]:OFFSet <Offset>

The command enters a level offset which is added to the measured level value after activation with command <code>SENSe[:POWer]:OFFSet:STATe ON</code>. This allows e.g. an attenuator in the signal path to be taken into account.

Parameters:

<Offset> float

Range: -100.0 to 100.0

\*RST: 0
Default unit: dB

Example: SENS: POW: OFFS 10.0

sets a level offset of 10 dB

## SENSe<ch>[:POWer]:OFFSet:STATe <State>

The command activates the addition of the level offset to the measured value. The level offset value is set with command SENSe[:POWer]:OFFSet.

Parameters:

<State> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: OFF

**Example:** SENS1:POW:OFFS 0.4dB

sets a level offset of 0.4 dB
SENS1:POW:OFFS:STAT ON

a level offset of 0.4 dB is added to the measured value.

## SENSe<ch>[:POWer]:SNUMber?

The command queries the serial number of the sensor.

Return values:

<Snumber> string

**Example:** SENS:SNUM?

queries the serial number.

Usage: Query only

## SENSe<ch>[:POWer]:SOURce <Source>

The command selects the signal source for the measurement.

Parameters:

<Source> A | B | USER

\*RST: A

Example: SENS:SOUR A

selects the RF signal as measurement source. The RF frequency is used as the measurement frequency of the sensor and the corresponding correction factor is used. The level setting of the instru-

ment serves as reference level of the measurement.

## SENSe<ch>[:POWer]:STATus[:DEVice]?

The command queries if a sensor is connected to the signal generator.

The sensor is selected by suffix in the keyword SENSe or READ of the command header. Suffix 1 denotes the sensor connected to the SENSOR connector, suffix 2 the sensor connected first to one of the USB interfaces and suffix 3 the sensor connected second to one of the USB interfaces.

Return values:

<DEVice> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

**Example:** SENS:STAT?

queries if a sensor is connected to the instrument.

Response: 1

a sensor is connected to the POWER SENSOR interface.

Usage: Query only

## SENSe<ch>[:POWer]:SVERsion?

The command queries the software version of the connected R&S NRP power sensor.

Return values:

<Sversion> string

**Example:** SENS: POW: SVER?

queries the software version of the R&S NRP power sensor.

Usage: Query only

## SENSe<ch>[:POWer]:TYPE?

The command queries the type of sensor. The type is automatically detected.

Return values:

<Type> string

**Example:** SENS:TYPE?

queries the type of sensor connected to the POWER SENSOR

connector.

Response: NRP-Z21

the R&S NRP-Z21 sensor is used.

Usage: Query only

## SENSe<ch>[:POWer]:ZERO

The command activates the autozero function. Zeroing is required in regular interval (at least once a day) and if the temperature has varied more than about 5 °C, if the sensor has been replaced or if measurements of signals with very low power are to be performed. The RF power source must be switched off or disconnected from the sensor before starting the autozero function.

**Example:** SENS: ZERO

activates autozero function.

Usage: Event

## SENSe<ch>:UNIT[:POWer] < Power>

The command selects the unit used for result query with command READ. The power sensor provides the measured value in Watt. In which unit the measured value is returned is selected here and might be either Watt, dBm or dBuV.

Parameters:

<Power> DBM | DBUV | WATT

\*RST: DBM

**Example:** SENS2:UNIT DBM

selects unit dBm for the measured value returned by command

READ. READ2?

Response: 7.34

7.34 dBm are measured by sensor 2.

# 7.14 SOURce Subsystem

The SOURce subsystem contains the commands for configuring the digital and analog signals.

## SOURce<hw>

For one-path instruments, the keyword SOURce is optional and can be omitted.

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| • | SOURce:AWGN Subsystem       | .496 |
| • | SOURce:BB Subsystem         | .503 |
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| • | SOURce:CORRection Subsystem | .615 |
| • | SOURce:FM Subsystem         | .623 |
| • | SOURce:FREQuency Subsystem  | .626 |
| • | SOURce:INPut Subsystem      | .634 |
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| • | SOURce:LFOutput Subsystem   | .647 |
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| • | SOURce:MODulation Subsystem | .669 |
| • | SOURce:PGEN Subsystem       | .669 |
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|   | SOURce:ROSCillator Subsystem |      |
|   | SOURce:SWEep Subsystem       |      |

# 7.14.1 SOURce: AM Subsystem

The AM subsystem contains the commands for checking the amplitude modulation.

The settings for the internal modulation source (LF generator) are made in the SOURce: LFOutput subsystem.

| [:SOURce <hw>]:AM[:DEPTh]</hw>           | 494 |
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| [:SOURce <hw>]:AM:EXTernal:COUPling</hw> |     |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:AM:SENSitivity</hw>       |     |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:AM:SOURce</hw>            |     |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:AM:STATe</hw>             |     |

## [:SOURce<hw>]:AM[:DEPTh] < Depth>

The command sets the modulation depth of the amplitude modulation in percent. The modulation depth is limited by the maximum peak envelope power (PEP).

#### Parameters:

<Depth> float

Range: 0 to 100 Increment: See data sheet

\*RST: 30
Default unit: PCT

Example: AM 15PCT

sets the AM modulation depth to 15 percent

# [:SOURce<hw>]:AM:EXTernal:COUPling <Coupling>

The command selects the coupling mode for the external modulation input in the case of amplitude modulation.

### Parameters:

<Coupling> AC | DC

AC

The DC voltage component is disconnected from the modulation

signal.

DC

The modulation signal is not changed.

\*RST: AC

**Example:** AM:EXT:COUP AC

Selects the coupling mode AC for external amplitude modulation.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

## [:SOURce<hw>]:AM:SENSitivity?

The command queries the input sensitivity of the external modulation input in %/V. The command is only effective if the external modulation source is selected (SOUR: AM: SOUR EXT). The returned value depends on the modulation depth setting (SOUR: AM: DEPTh). This value is assigned to the voltage value for full modulation of the input.

Return values:

<Sensitivity> float

**Example:** AM: DEPT 50

sets a modulation depth of 50 %.

AM: SENS?

queries the input sensitivity at the external modulation input.

Response: 50

since the voltage value for full modulation is 1V, the resulting sen-

sitivity is precisely 50%/V.

Usage: Query only

SCPI confirmed

## [:SOURce<hw>]:AM:SOURce <Source>

The command selects the modulation source for amplitude modulation.

Internal and external modulation source can be selected at the same time.

Parameters:

<Source> INTernal | EXTernal

INT

INT is the LF generator. The frequency of the internal modulation

signal can be set in the SOURce: LFOutput subsystem.

**EXT** 

The external signal is input at the EXT MOD connector.

\*RST: INTernal

Example: AM:SOUR INT

selects the internal modulation source.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:AM:STATe <State>

The command activates/deactivates amplitude modulation.

Activation of amplitude modulation deactivates ARB, I/Q modulation, digital modulation and all digital standards.

Parameters:

<State> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

Example: AM:STAT ON

activates AM modulation.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

# 7.14.2 SOURce: AWGN Subsystem

The SOURce: AWGN subsystem contains the commands for setting the noise generator.

| [:SOURce <hw>]:AWGN:BRATe</hw>              | 496 |
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| [:SOURce <hw>]:AWGN:BWIDth</hw>             | 496 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:AWGN:BWIDth:NOISe</hw>       | 497 |
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| [:SOURce <hw>]:AWGN:DISP:MODE</hw>          | 498 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:AWGN:ENRatio</hw>            | 498 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:AWGN:FREQuency:RESult</hw>   | 499 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:AWGN:FREQuency:TARGet</hw>   | 499 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:AWGN:MODE</hw>               | 499 |
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| [:SOURce <hw>]:AWGN:POWer:RMODe</hw>        | 502 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:AWGN:POWer:SUM</hw>          | 502 |
| :<br>[:SOURce <hw>]:AWGN:POWer:SUM:PEP</hw> |     |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:AWGN:STATe</hw>              |     |
|   |     |

## [:SOURce<hw>]:AWGN:BRATe <BRate>

This command sets the bit rate which is used for calculation of bit energy to noise power ratio from carrier/noise ratio for Digital Standard signals

For "Custom Digital Mod" signals, the bit rate which is used for calculation can be queried with this command.

Valid units are bps, kbps and mabps as well as b/s, kb/s and mab/s.

## Parameters:

<BRate> float

Range: 400 bps to 250E6 bps

Increment: 0.001 \*RST: 100000

**Example:** AWGN:BRAT?

queries the bit rate which is used for calculation of the Eb/N0 value

from the C/N value.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:AWGN:BWIDth <BWidth>

This command sets the system bandwidth. The noise signal at the level which corresponds to the specified carrier/noise ratio is generated in the bandwidth specified here.

This command is available for modes Additive Noise and Noise Only (SOUR: AWGN: MODE ADD | ONLY).

Parameters:

<BWidth> float

Range: 1.0E3 to 100.0E6

Increment: 0.1 kHz \*RST: 3.84 MHz

Example: AWGN:BWID 10 MHz

sets a system bandwidth of 10 MHz.

Options: B13 and K62

## [:SOURce<hw>]:AWGN:BWIDth:NOISe?

Queries the real noise bandwidth.

This command is available for modes Additive Noise and Noise Only (SOUR: AWGN: MODE ADD | ONLY).

#### Return values:

<Noise> float

Range: 0 to 200E6

Increment: 100 \*RST: 0

**Example:** AWGN:BWID:NOIS?

queries the noise bandwidth.

**Usage:** Query only

## [:SOURce<hw>]:AWGN:BWIDth:RATio <Ratio>

This command is available for modes Additive Noise and Noise Only (SOUR: AWGN: MODE ADD | ONLY).

This command sets the ratio of minimum real noise bandwidth to system bandwidth.

The overall bandwidth is calculated as follow and may not exceed 120 MHz:

Overall Bandwidth = System BW x Minimum Noise/System BW Ratio

Therefore, the available value range depends on the selected system bandwidth.

#### Parameters:

<Ratio> float

Range: 1 to Max Increment: 0.1 \*RST: 1

**Example:** AWGN:BWID:RAT 2

sets a minimum noise/system bandwidth ratio of 2.

#### [:SOURce<hw>]:AWGN:CNRatio <CnRatio>

This command sets the carrier/interferer ratio. The value range depends on the selected AWGN mode (AWGN: MODE ADD|ONLY|CW).

"Reference Mode Carrier" (AWGN: POW: RMOD CARRier)
 The noise level is adjusted to the set C/N ratio and the carrier level is kept constant.

"Reference Mode Noise" (AWGN: POW: RMOD NOISe)
 The carrier level is adjusted to the set C/N ratio and the noise level is kept constant.

This command is available for modes "Additive Noise" and "CW Interferer" (SOUR: AWGN: MODE ADD | CW).

#### Parameters:

<CnRatio> float

Range: -50.00 to 40.00

Increment: 0.01 \*RST: 0
Default unit: dB

Example: AWGN:CNR 10

sets a carrier/noise ratio of 10 dB.

### [:SOURce<hw>]:AWGN:DISP:MODE <Mode>

Selects the display mode to Bseband or RF.

## Parameters:

<Mode> RF | BB

\*RST: RF

**Example:** AWGN:DISP:MODE RF

sets the display mode to RF

### [:SOURce<hw>]:AWGN:ENRatio < EnRatio >

This command sets the ratio of bit energy to noise power density in "Additive Noise" mode.

Depending on the selected reference mode either the noise level (AWGN: POW: RMOD NOISe) or the carrier level (AWGN: POW: RMOD CARRier) is adjusted to the set E<sub>b</sub>/N<sub>0</sub> ratio.

- "Reference Mode Carrier" (AWGN: POW: RMOD CARRier)
   the noise level is adjusted to the set E<sub>b</sub>/N<sub>0</sub> ratio and the carrier level is kept constant.
- "Reference Mode Noise" (AWGN: POW: RMOD NOISe)
   the carrier level is adjusted to the set E<sub>b</sub>/N<sub>0</sub> ratio and the noise level is kept constant.

For **Digital Standard** signals, the bit rate used for calculation of  $E_b/N_0$  value from C/N value can be entered with command SOUR: AWGN: BRAT.

For **Custom Digital Mod** signals the bit rate used for calculation of  $E_b/N_0$  value from C/N value is determined by the selected standard (SOURce:BB:DM:STANdard) and cannot be changed.

Parameters:

<EnRatio> float

Range: -30 to 30 Increment: 0.001 \*RST: 0 Default unit: dB

Example: AWGN:ENR 10

sets a ratio of bit energy to noise power density of 10 dB

## [:SOURce<hw>]:AWGN:FREQuency:RESult?

This command queries the actual frequency of the sine in the **CW Interferer** mode.

The actual frequency may differ from the desired frequency, since the resolution is limited to 0.7 Hz.

Return values:

<Result> float

Range: -40E6 to 40E6

Increment: 0.01 \*RST: 0

**Example:** AWGN: FREQ: RES?

queries the actual frequency of the interfering sine

Usage: Query only

## [:SOURce<hw>]:AWGN:FREQuency:TARGet <Target>

This command sets the desired frequency of the sine in "CW Interferer" mode  $(AWGN:MODE\ CW)$ .

The resulting frequency may differ from the desired frequency because of the limited frequency resolution of 0.7 Hz.

Parameters:

<Target> float

Range: -40E6 to 40E6

Increment: 0.01 \*RST: 0

**Example:** AWGN:FREQ:TARG 2kHz

sets a frequency of 2 kHz for the interfering sine.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:AWGN:MODE <Mode>

This command selects the mode for generating the interfering signal.

Parameters:

<Mode> ONLY | ADD | CW

**ADD** 

The AWGN noise signal is added to the baseband signal.

**ONLY** 

The pure AWGN noise signal is modulated to the carrier. The con-

nection to the baseband is interrupted

CW

The sine interfering signal is added to the baseband signal.

\*RST: ADD

**Example:** AWGN:MODE ONLY

activates the generation of a pure noise.

AWGN:STAT ON

switches on the generation of a pure noise.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:AWGN:POWer:CARRier < Carrier>

available for modes "Additive Noise" and "CW Interferer" (SOUR: AWGN: MODE ADD | CW)

This command either sets or queries the carrier or signal level depending on the selected reference mode.

- "Reference Mode Carrier" (SOUR: AWGN: POW: RMOD CARR)
   Sets the carrier level. The level of the noise signal is derived from the entered C/N value.
- "Reference Mode Noise" (SOUR: AWGN: POW: RMOD NOIS)
   queries the carrier level which is derived from the entered C/N value. The noise level
   is set with command SOUR: AWGN: POW: NOISe.

#### Parameters:

<Carrier> float

Range: min to 20 Increment: 0.01 \*RST: 0 Default unit: dBm

**Example:** AWGN:DISP:MODE RF

sets the display mode to RF

AWGN: POW: CARR? queries the carrier level

#### [:SOURce<hw>]:AWGN:POWer:MODE <Mode>

This command selects the mode for setting the noise level.

This command is available for mode "Additive Noise" (SOUR: AWGN: MODE ADD).

Parameters:

<Mode> CN | SN | EN

CNISN

available for mode Additive Noise (SOUR: AWGN: MODE ADD). The noise level is set on the basis of the value entered for the

carrier/noise or signal/noise ratio (AWGN: CNR | SNR).

Whether a selection of C/N or S/N is enabled, depends on the

selected "Display Mode" (AWGN: DISP: MODE BB | RF)

ΕN

The noise level is set on the basis of the value entered for the ratio of bit energy to noise power density (AWGN: ENR).

\*RST: CN|SN

**Example:** AWGN:DISP:MODE RF

sets the display mode to RF SOUR: AWGN: POW: MODE CN

the noise level is set on the basis of the value entered for the car-

rier/noise ratio (AWGN: CNR).

## [:SOURce<hw>]:AWGN:POWer:NOISe <Noise>

Available for modes Additive Noise, Noise Only and CW Interferer (SOUR: AWGN: MODE ADD | ONLY | CW).

This command sets or queries the noise level in the system bandwidth depending on the selected modes:

- "Additive Noise" and "CW Interferer" mode (SOUR: AWGN: MODE ADD | CW)
  - "Reference Mode Carrier" (SOUR: AWGN: POW: RMOD CARR)
     The command queries the noise/interferer level which is derived from the entered
     C/N value. The carrier level is set with command SOUR: AWGN: POW: CARRier.
  - "Reference Mode Noise" (SOUR: AWGN: POW: RMOD NOIS
     The command sets the noise/interferer level. The level of the carrier signal is derived from the entered C/N value.
- "Noise Only" mode
   The command sets the noise level.

Parameters:

<Noise> float

Default unit: dBm

**Example:** SOUR:AWGN:POW:NOIS?

queries the noise level in the system bandwidth.

Response: 10

the noise level in the system bandwidth is 10 dBm.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:AWGN:POWer:NOISe:TOTal?

Available for modes Additive Noise and Noise Only (SOUR: AWGN: MODE ADD | ONLY)

This command queries the noise level in the total bandwidth.

Return values:

<Total> float

Range: -145 to 20

Increment: 0.01 \*RST: -30

**Example:** SOUR:AWGN:POW:NOIS:TOT?

gueries the noise level in the total bandwidth.

Response: 15

the noise level in the total bandwidth is 15 dBm.

Usage: Query only

#### [:SOURce<hw>]:AWGN:POWer:RMODe <RMode>

This command selects the mode for setting the interfering signal.

This command is available for modes "Additive Noise" and "CW Interferer" (SOUR: AWGN: MODE ADD | CW) and Display Mode set to RF (AWGN: DISP: MODE RF).

### Parameters:

<RMode> CARRier | NOISe

**CARRier** 

The carrier level is kept constant when the C/N value or Eb/N0

value is changed. The noise level is adjusted.

**NOISe** 

The noise level is kept constant when the C/N value or Eb/N0

value is changed. The carrier level is adjusted.

\*RST: CARRier

**Example:** AWGN:MODE ADD

selects Additive Noise mode.

AWGN: DISP: MODE RF

sets the display mode to RF

AWGN: POW: RMOD NOIS

selects Reference Mode Noise. The noise level is kept constant when the C/N value or Eb/N0 value is changed. The carrier level

is adjusted.

# [:SOURce<hw>]:AWGN:POWer:SUM?

Available for modes "Additive Noise" and "CW Interferer" (SOUR: AWGN: MODE ADD | CW)

This command queries the overall level of the noise signal plus useful signal.

#### Return values:

<Sum> float

Range: -145 to 20 Increment: 0.01 \*RST: 0

**Example:** SOUR: AWGN: POW: SUM?

queries the overall level of the noise signal plus useful signal.

Usage: Query only

### [:SOURce<hw>]:AWGN:POWer:SUM:PEP?

Available for modes Additive Noise and CW Interferer (SOUR: AWGN: MODE ADD | CW)

This command queries the peak envelope power of the overall signal comprised of noise signal plus useful signal.

## Return values:

<Pep> float

Range: -145 to 20 Increment: 0.01

\*RST: 0

**Example:** SOUR: AWGN: POW: SUM: PEP?

queries the peak envelope power of the overall signal.

Usage: Query only

#### [:SOURce<hw>]:AWGN:STATe <State>

This command activates or deactivates the white noise (AWGN = Averaged White Gaussian Noise). The noise signal is either superimposed on the baseband signal ("Additive Noise" mode (SOUR:AWGN:MODE ADD)) or is output as a pure noise signal ("Noise Only" mode (SOUR:AWGN:MODE ONLY)). In addition, a sine with adjustable frequency offset to the baseband signal can be generated as an RFI signal ("CW Interferer" mode; SOUR:AWGN:MODE CW).

#### Parameters:

<State> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: 0

Example: AWGN:STAT ON

activates the RFI signal generator.

# 7.14.3 SOURce:BB Subsystem

This subsystem contains all commands for digital signal generation. It is divided into several subsystems which are described separately.

## OUTPut<ch>>

The numeric suffix to OUTPut distinguishes between the available markers.

Only two markers are available for the R&S SMBV, i.e. the allowed values for the suffix are 1 or 2.

#### EXTernal<ch>

The numeric suffix to EXTernal distinguishes between the available external trigger inputs.

| • | SOURce:BB Subsystem General Commands | .504 |
|---|--------------------------------------|------|
|   | SOURce:BB:ARB Subsystem              |      |
|   | SOURce:BB:DM Subsystem               |      |
|   | SOURce:BB:GRAPhics Subsystem         |      |
|   | SOURce:BB:IMPairment Subsystem       |      |
|   | SOURce:BB:MCCW Subsystem             |      |

## 7.14.3.1 SOURce:BB Subsystem General Commands

The following section describes the commands for setting the frequency shift and the phase offset for the signal at the "Baseband" block output.

| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:FOFFset</hw> | 504 |
|--------------------------------|-----|
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:POFFset</hw> | 505 |

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:FOFFset <FOffset>

The command sets the frequency offset for the baseband signal. The offset affects the signal on the baseband block output. It shifts the useful baseband signal in the center frequency.

**Note:** It is not possible to enter a frequency offset if a waveform with a sample rate of exactly 150 or 90 MHz depending on the installed option is introduced. A signal of this nature is not routed via the resampler in which the frequency shift takes place. This type of entry is also prohibited if the noise generator ("AWGN" block) is on.

The complex I/Q bandwidth of the useful signal must not exceed 120 or 60 MHz depending on the installed option in total.

The following applies:

$$f_{offset}$$
 -  $f_{use}/2 = > -60MHz$  and  $f_{offset} + f_{use}/2 = < +60MHz$ 

where:

f<sub>use</sub> = the complex useful bandwidth of the I/Q signal before the offset.

 $f_{offset}$  = frequency offset.

#### Parameters:

<FOffset> float

Increment: 0.01 Hz \*RST: 0 Hz

**Example:** BB:FOFF 2MHZ

sets a frequency offset of 2 MHz.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:POFFset < POffset>

The command sets the relative phase offset of the baseband signal.

The phase offset affects the signal on the "baseband block" output.

#### Parameters:

<POffset> float

Range: 0 to 359.9 Increment: 0.01

\*RST: 0
Default unit: DEG

**Example:** BB:POFF 0.5DEG

sets a relative phase offset of 0.5 DEG for the baseband signal

## 7.14.3.2 SOURce:BB:ARB Subsystem

The ARB subsystem contains the commands for setting the ARB Generator. Settings for clock and trigger interfaces and for external outputs are entered in the <code>SOURce:INPut</code> and <code>SOURce:OUTput</code> subsystems.

Section chapter 7.3, "R&S Signal Generator Waveform and List Format", on page 439 describes the ARB waveform format and how it is used to transmit waveforms via the IEC bus.

| Common Settings              | 505 |
|------------------------------|-----|
| Clock Settings               |     |
| Trigger Settings             | 508 |
| Marker Settings              |     |
| Test Signals Settings        |     |
| SOURce:BB:ARB:MCAR Subsystem |     |
| SOURce:BB:ARB:WAV Subsystem  |     |
| SOURce:BB:ARB:WSEG Subsystem |     |

# **Common Settings**

| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:ARB:PRESet</hw> | 5 |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| [:SOURce <hw>1:BB:ARB:STATe</hw>  | 5 |

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:PRESet

The command sets all ARB generator parameters to their default values.

**Example:** BB:ARB:PRES

resets the ARB generator to default values.

Usage: Event

#### [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:STATe <State>

The command enables the ARB generator. Any other standards or digital modulation that may be in the ON state are automatically turned OFF.

ARB: STAT ON is only possible after the selection of a waveform. The selected waveform is output straight away (ARB: SEQ AUTO|RETRigger) or after the first trigger event (ARB: SEQ AAUT|ARET), depending on the trigger setting.

#### Parameters:

<State> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: 0

Example: BB:ARB:WAV:SEL 'wave1'

loads waveform file wave1.wv from the default directory.

BB: ARB: TRIG: SEQ RETR sets trigger mode Retrigger.

BB:ARB:STAT ON

switches on the ARB generator. The selected waveform is output straight away. A trigger event causes signal output to restart.

### **Clock Settings**

| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:ARB:CLOCk</hw>                         | 506 |
|--|-----|
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:ARB:CLOCk:MODE</hw>                    |     |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:ARB:CLOCk:MULTiplier</hw>              |     |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:ARB:CLOCk:SOURce</hw>                  | 507 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:ARB:CLOCk:SYNChronization:MODE</hw>    | 507 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:ARB:CLOCk:SYNChronization:EXECute</hw> | 508 |

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:CLOCk <Clock>

The command sets the clock rate in samples. Loading a waveform waveform (ARB: WAV: SEL <name>) sets the clock rate that is defined in the waveform tag 'clock'. The command subsequently changes the clock rate; see data sheet for value range.

In the case of an external clock source (selection ARB:CLOCk:SOURce EXTernal) the clock for the external source must be entered with this command.

### Parameters:

<Clock> float

Range: 400 Hz to 100 MHz

Increment: 0.001 Hz \*RST: 1 MHz

Example: BB:ARB:CLOC:SOUR INT

selects the internal clock source for generating waveforms.

BB:ARB:CLOC 0.5 MHz sets the clock rate to 0.5 MHz.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:CLOCk:MODE < Mode>

The command enters the type of externally supplied clock (:BB:ARB:CLOCk:SOURce EXTernal). When MSAMple is used, a multiple of the sample clock is supplied via the CLOCK connector and the sample clock is derived internally from this. The multiplier is entered with the command :BB:ARB:CLOCk:MULTiplier.

Parameters:

<Mode> SAMPle | MSAMple

\*RST: SAMPle

**Example:** BB:ARB:CLOC:MODE SAMP

selects clock type "Sample", i.e. the supplied clock is a sample

clock.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:CLOCk:MULTiplier < Multiplier>

The command specifies the multiplier for clock type "Multiple Samples" (:BB:ARB:CLOCk:MODE MSAM) in the case of an external clock source.

Parameters:

<Multiplier> integer

Range: 1 to 64

\*RST: 4

**Example:** BB:ARB:CLOC:SOUR EXT

selects the external clock source. The clock is supplied via the

CLOCK connector.

BB:ARB:CLOC:MODE MSAM

selects clock type Multiple Samples, i.e. the supplied clock has a

rate which is a multiple of the sample rate.

BB:ARB:CLOC:MULT 12

The multiplier for the external clock rate is 12.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:CLOCk:SOURce <Source>

The command selects the source for the digital modulation clock.

Parameters:

<Source> INTernal | EXTernal | AINTernal

**INTernal** 

The internal clock reference is used.

**EXTernal** 

The external clock reference is supplied to the CLOCK connector.

\*RST: INTernal

**Example:** BB:ARB:CLOC:SOUR EXT

selects an external clock reference. The clock is supplied via the

CLOCK connector.

BB:ARB:CLOC:MODE SAMP enters clock type sample.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:CLOCk:SYNChronization:MODE <Mode>

Selects the synchronization mode.

This parameter is used to enable generation of very precise synchronous signal of several connected R&S SMBVs.

**Note:** If several instruments are connected, the connecting cables from the master instrument to the slave one and between each two consecutive slave instruments must have the same length and type. Avoid unnecessary cable length and branching points.

#### Parameters:

<Mode> NONE | MASTer | SLAVe

NONE

The instrument is working in stand-alone mode.

**MASTer** 

The instrument provides all connected instrument with its synchronisation (including the trigger signal) and reference clock sig-

nal.

**SLAVe** 

The instrument receives the synchronisation and reference clock signal from another instrument working in a master mode.

\*RST: NONE

**Example:** BB:ARB:CLOC:SYNC:MODE MAST

The instrument is configured to work as a master one.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:CLOCk:SYNChronization:EXECute

Performs automatically adjustment of the instrument's settings required for the synchronization mode, set with the command [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:CLOCk:

SYNChronization: MODE.

**Example:** BB:ARB:CLOC:SYNC:MODE MAST

the instrument is configured to work as a master one.

BB:ARB:CLOC:SYNC:EXEC

all synchronization's settings are adjusted accordingly.

Usage: Event

## **Trigger Settings**

| :SOURce <hw> :BB:ARB:TRIGger:ARM:EXECute</hw>                    | 509 |
|--|-----|
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:ARB:TRIGger:EXECute</hw>                       | 509 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:ARB:TRIGger:EXTernal:SYNChronize:OUTPut</hw>   | 509 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:ARB:TRIGger:OUTPut:DELay:FIXed</hw>            | 510 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:ARB:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:DELay</ch></hw>         | 510 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:ARB:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:DELay:MAXimum</ch></hw> | 511 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:ARB:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:DELay:MINimum</ch></hw> | 511 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:ARB:TRIGger:RMODe</hw>                         | 511 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:ARB:TRIGger:SLENgth</hw>                       | 512 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:ARB:TRIGger:SLUNit</hw>                        | 512 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:ARB:TRIGger:SMODe</hw>                         | 513 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:ARB:TRIGger:SOURce</hw>                        | 513 |
| [:SOURce <hw>1:BB:ARB:TRIGger[:EXTernal&lt;1 2&gt;1:DELay</hw>   | 514 |

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| [:SOURce <hw>]</hw> | :BB:ARB | :TRIGger[: | EXTernal<1 | 2>]:INHibit | <br>514 |
|---------------------|---------|------------|------------|-------------|---------|
| [:SOURce <hw>]</hw> | :BB:ARB | [:TRIGger] | :SEQuence  |             | <br>514 |

#### [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TRIGger:ARM:EXECute

The command stops waveform output for trigger modes Armed\_Auto and Armed\_Retrigger. A subsequent internal or external trigger event restart waveform output.

**Example:** BB:ARB:TRIG:SOUR INT

sets internal triggering.
BB:ARB:TRIG:SEQ ARET

sets Armed\_Retrigger mode, i.e. every trigger event causes wave-

form output to restart.
BB:ARB:TRIG:EXEC

executes a trigger, waveform output is started.

BB: ARB: TRIG: ARM: EXEC waveform output is stopped.
BB: ARB: TRIG: EXEC

executes a trigger, waveform output is started again.

Usage: Event

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TRIGger:EXECute

The command executes a trigger. The internal trigger source must be selected using the command ARB: TRIGger: SOURce INTernal and a trigger mode other than AUTO must be selected using the command: ARB: SEQuence.

**Example:** BB:ARB:TRIG:SOUR INT

sets internal triggering.
BB:ARB:SEQ RETR

sets Retrigger mode, i.e. every trigger event causes signal output

to restart.

BB: ARB: TRIG: EXEC executes a trigger.

Usage: Event

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TRIGger:EXTernal:SYNChronize:OUTPut <Output>

(enabled for "Trigger Source" External)

Enables/disables output of the signal synchronous to the external trigger event.

For or two or more R&S SMBVs configured to work in a master-slave mode for synchronous signal generation:

- disable this parameter in the slave instruments, in case the master instrument provides the slaves with its internal trigger signal and
- use the default enabled state, if a common external trigger event is provided for the master and the slave instruments.

Parameters:

<Output> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

ON

The signal calculation starts simultaneously with the external trigger event but because of the instrument's processing time the first samples are cut off and no signal is outputted. After elapsing of the internal processing time, the output signal is synchronous to the trigger event.

**OFF** 

The signal output begins after elapsing of the processing time and starts with sample 0, i.e. the complete signal is outputted.

This mode is recommended for triggering of short signal sequences with signal duration comparable with the processing time of

the instrument.

**Example:** BB:ARB:TRIG:SOUR EXT

\*RST:

sets external triggering.

ON

BB:ARB:TRIG:EXT:SYNC:OUTP ON

enables synchronous output to external trigger

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TRIGger:OUTPut:DELay:FIXed <Fixed>

The command restricts the marker delay setting range to the dynamic range. In this range the delay can be set without restarting the marker and signal. If a delay is entered in setting ON but is outside this range, the maximum possible delay is set and an error message is output.

The setting always affects every marker.

Parameters:

<Fixed> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: C

**Example:** BB:ARB:TRIG:OUTP:DEL:FIX ON

restricts the marker signal delay setting range to the dynamic

range.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:DELay < Delay>

The command defines the delay between the signal on the marker outputs and the start of the signals, expressed in terms of samples.

Command :BB:ARB:TRIGger:OUTPut:DELay:FIXed ON can be used to restrict the range of values to the dynamic range, i.e. the range within which a delay of the marker signals can be set without restarting the marker and signal.

Parameters:

<Delay> float

Range: 0 to 2^20-1

Increment: 1
\*RST: 0
Default unit: Symbol

**Example:** BB:ARB:TRIG:OUTP2:DEL 16

sets a delay of 16 samples for the signal on connector MARKER

2.

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:DELay:MAXimum? [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:DELay:MINimum?

The command queries the minimum marker delay for setting :BB:ARB:TRIGger:OUTPut:DELay:FIXed ON.

Return values:

<Minimum> float

Range: 0 to 16777215

Increment: 1E-3 \*RST: 0

**Example:** BB:ARB:TRIG:OUTP:DEL:FIX ON

restricts the marker signal delay setting range to the dynamic

range.

BB:ARB:TRIG:OUTP:DEL:MIN

queries the minimum of the dynamic range.

Response: 0

the minimum for the marker delay setting is 0 samples.

Usage: Query only

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TRIGger:RMODe?

The command queries the status of waveform output or all trigger modes with ARB on.

Return values:

<RMode> STOP | RUN

RUN

The waveform is output. A trigger event occurred in the triggered

mode.

The waveform is not output. A trigger event did not occur in the triggered modes, or waveform output was stopped by the command: BB:ARB:TRIG:ARM:EXECute (armed trigger modes

only).

**Example:** BB:ARB:TRIG:SOUR EXT

sets external triggering via the TRIGGER 1 connector.

BB:ARB:TRIG:MODE ARET

selects the Armed\_Retrigger mode.

BB:ARB:TRIG:RMOD?

queries the current status of waveform output.

Response: RUN

the waveform is output, an external trigger was executed.

Usage: Query only

### [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TRIGger:SLENgth <SLength>

The command defines the length of the signal sequence to be output in the Single trigger mode. The unit is defined with command SOUR: BB: ARB: TRIG: SLUNit. It is possible to output deliberately just part of the waveform, an exact sequence of the waveform, or a defined number of repetitions of the waveform.

#### Parameters:

<SLength> float

Range: 1 to 2^32-1 \*RST: 1 Waveform length

Default unit: sample

Example: BB:ARB:SEQ SING

sets trigger mode Single.
BB:ARB:TRIG:SLUN SAMP

sets unit Samples for the entry of sequence length.

BB:ARB:TRIG:SLEN 200

sets a sequence length of 200 samples. The first 200 samples of the current waveform will be output after the next trigger event.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TRIGger:SLUNit <SLunit>

The command defines the unit for the entry of the length of the signal sequence (SOUR:BB:ARB:TRIG:SLEN) to be output in the "Single" trigger mode (SOUR:BB:ARB:SEQ SING).

#### Parameters:

<SLunit> SEQuence | SAMPle

\*RST: SEQuence

**Example:** BB:ARB:SEQ SING

sets trigger mode Single.
BB:ARB:TRIG:SLUN SEQ

sets unit Sequence length for the entry of sequence length.

BB:ARB:TRIG:SLEN 2

sets a sequence length of 2 waveforms. The current waveforms

will be output twice after the next trigger event.

### [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TRIGger:SMODe <SMode>

The command selects the extended trigger mode for multi segment waveforms.

#### Parameters:

<SMode> SAME | NEXT | SEQuencer | NSEam

SAME

The currently selected segment is output repeatedly.

#### **NEXT**

The current segment ceases to be output as soon as a new segment is entered with command :BB:ARB:WSEG:NEXT and the new segment starts to be output after a system-imposed signal gap.

#### **NSEam**

The segment selected with command :BB:ARB:WSEG:NEXT is not output until the whole of the current segment has been output (wrap around). In this case the signal transition is seamless.

#### **SEQuencer**

The waveform files are processed according to the order and repetition cycles defined in the special sequencing list file (\* . wvs) assigned to the multi segment waveform file.

This "play list" is selected with the command

BB:ARB:WSEG:SEQ:SEL.

\*RST: NEXT

**Example:** SOUR2:BB:ARB:SEQ AUTO

selects trigger mode AUTO.

SOUR2:BB:ARB:TRIG:SMOD SAME

the same segment of the waveform is output repeatedly.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TRIGger:SOURce <Source>

The command selects the trigger source.

## Parameters:

<Source> INTernal | EXTernal

**INTernal** 

Triggering is executed by means of the Trigger command in the case of remote control, and by means of "Execute Trigger" in the

case of manual operation.

**EXTernal** 

Triggering is executed by means of the signal on the TRIGGER 1

connector.

\*RST: INTernal

**Example:** BB:ARB:TRIG:SOUR INT

sets internal triggering.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TRIGger[:EXTernal<1|2>]:DELay <Delay>

The command specifies the trigger delay (expressed as a number of samples) for external triggering.

The numeric suffix to EXTernal distinguishes between the external trigger via the TRIG-GER 1 (suffix 1) and TRIGGER 2 (suffix 2) connector.

Parameters:

<Delay> float

Range: 0 to 2^32-1

Increment: 1
\*RST: 0
Default unit: sample

**Example:** BB:ARB:TRIG:SOUR EXT

selects an external trigger via the TRIGGER 1 connector

BB:ARB:TRIG:DEL 200

sets a delay of 200 samples for the trigger.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TRIGger[:EXTernal<1|2>]:INHibit <Inhibit>

The command specifies the number of samples by which a restart is to be inhibited following a trigger event. This command applies only in the case of external triggering.

The numeric suffix to EXTernal distinguishes between the external trigger via the TRIG-GER 1 (suffix 1) and TRIGGER 2 (suffix 2) connector.

Parameters:

<Inhibit> float

Range: 0 to 67108863

\*RST: 0
Default unit: sample

**Example:** BB:ARB:TRIG:SOUR EXT

selects an external trigger via the TRIGGER 1 connector

BB:ARB:TRIG:INH 200

sets a restart inhibit for 200 samples following a trigger event.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB[:TRIGger]:SEQuence <Sequence>

The command selects the trigger mode.

#### Parameters:

<Sequence> AUTO | RETRigger | AAUTo | ARETrigger | SINGle

#### **AUTO**

The waveform is output continuously.

#### **RETRigger**

The waveform is output continuously. A trigger event (internal or external) causes a restart.

#### **AAUTo**

The waveform is output only when a trigger event occurs. After the trigger event the waveform is output continuously. Waveform output is stopped with command SOUR:BB:ARB:TRIG:ARM:EXEC and started again when a trigger event occurs.

## **ARETrigger**

The waveform is output only when a trigger event occurs. The device automatically toggles to RETRIG mode. Every subsequent trigger event causes a restart. Waveform output is stopped with command SOUR: BB: ARB: TRIG: ARM: EXEC and started again when a trigger event occurs.

#### **SINGle**

The waveform is output only when a trigger event occurs. After the trigger event the waveform is output once to the set sequence length (SOUR:BB:ARB:TRIG:SLEN). Every subsequent trigger event causes a restart.

\*RST: RETRigger

### Example:

BB:ARB:SEQ AAUT

sets the "Armed\_auto" trigger mode; the device waits for the first trigger (e.g. with  $\star \mathtt{TRG}$ ) and then generates the signal continuously.

#### **Marker Settings**

| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:ARB:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:MODE</ch></hw>            | 515 |
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| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:ARB:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:OFFTime</ch></hw>         | 516 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:ARB:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:ONTime</ch></hw>          | 516 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:ARB:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:PATTern</ch></hw>         | 517 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:ARB:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:PULSe:DIVider</ch></hw>   | 517 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:ARB:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:PULSe:FREQuency</ch></hw> | 517 |

### [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:MODE < Mode>

The command defines the signal for the selected marker output.

Parameters:

<Mode> UNCHanged | RESTart | PULSe | PATTern | RATio

#### **UNCHanged**

A marker signal as defined in the waveform file (tag 'marker mode x') is generated.

#### **RESTart**

A marker signal is generated at every waveform start.

#### **PULSe**

A pulsed marker signal is generated. The pulse frequency (= symbol rate/divider) is defined with the

bol rate/divider) is defined with the

SOUR: BB: ARB: TRIG: OUTP: PULS: DIV command and can be queried with the SOUR: BB: ARB: TRIG: OUTP: PULS: FREQ? command.

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**PATTern**A marker signal is generated with the aid of a user-definable bit

pattern. The bit pattern is entered with the aid of com-

mand:BB:ARB:TRIGger:OUTPut:PATTern. The bit pattern is

a maximum of 32 bits long.

**RATio** 

A regular marker signal corresponding to the Time Off / Time On

specifications in the com-

mands :ARB:TRIGger:OUTPut:OFFTime

and :ARB:TRIGger:OUTPut:ONTime is generated.

\*RST: UNCHanged

**Example:** BB:ARB:TRIG:OUTP2:MODE PULS

selects the pulsed marker signal on output MARKER 2.

BB:ARB:TRIG:OUTP2:STAT ON

activates the pulsed marker signal on output MARKER 2.

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:OFFTime < OffTime> [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:ONTime < OnTime>

The command sets the number of samples in a period (ON time + OFF time) during which the marker signal in setting :ARB:TRIGger:OUTPut:MODE RATIO on the marker outputs is ON.

Parameters:

<OnTime> float

Range: 1 to 14913079

\*RST:

**Example:** BB:ARB:TRIG:OUTP2:ONT 20

sets an ON time of 20 samples for marker 2

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:PATTern < Pattern>

The command defines the bit pattern used to generate the marker signal in the setting SOURce:BB:ARB:TRIGger:OUTPut:MODE PATTern 0 is marker off, 1 is marker on.

Parameters:

<Pattern> <32 bits pattern>

\*RST: 0

Example: BB:ARB:TRIG:OUTP2:PATT #H39FE0000,32

sets a bit pattern.

BB:ARB:TRIG:OUTP2:MODE PATT

activates the marker signal according to a bit pattern on output

MARKER 2.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:PULSe:DIVider < Divider>

The command sets the divider for the pulsed marker signal in the setting SOURce:BB:ARB:TRIGger:OUTPut:MODE PULSe. The pulse frequency is derived by dividing the symbol rate by the divider.

#### Parameters:

<Divider> integer

Range: 2 to 1024

Increment: 1 \*RST: 2

**Example:** BB:ARB:TRIG:OUTP2:PULS:DIV 2

sets the divider for the marker signal on output MARKER 2 to the

value 2.

BB:ARB:TRIG:OUTP2:FREQ?

queries the resulting pulse frequency of the marker signal

Response: 66 000

the resulting pulse frequency is 66 kHz.

#### [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:PULSe:FREQuency?

The command queries the pulse frequency of the pulsed marker signal in the setting SOURce:BB:ARB:TRIGger:OUTPut:MODE PULSe. The pulse frequency is derived by dividing the symbol rate by the divider. The divider is defined with command:BB:ARB:TRIG:OUTP:PULS:DIV.

#### Return values:

<Frequency> float

**Example:** BB:ARB:TRIG:OUTP2:PULS:DIV 4

sets the divider for the marker signal on output MARKER 2 to the

value 4.

BB:ARB:TRIG:OUTP2:MODE PULS enables the pulsed marker signal.
BB:ARB:TRIG:OUTP2:PULS:FREQ?

queries the pulse frequency of the marker signal.

Response: 33 000

the resulting pulse frequency is 33 kHz.

Usage: Query only

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| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:ARB:TSIGnal:CIQ:CREate:NAMed</hw>       | 518 |
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[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TSIGnal:CIQ:CREate

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TSIGnal:RECTangle:CREate [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TSIGnal:SINE:CREate

Generates a signal and uses it as output straight away.

**Example:** BB:ARB:TSIG:SINE:CRE

generates a test sine signal and uses it as output straight away.

Usage: Event

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TSIGnal:CIQ:CREate:NAMed <Filename>

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TSIGnal:RECTangle:CREate:NAMed <Filename>

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TSIGnal:SINE:CREate:NAMed <Filename>

Generates a signal and saves it to a waveform file.

#### **Setting parameters:**

<Filename> string

**Example:** BB:ARB:TSIG:SINE:CRE:NAM 'sine test'

generates a test sine signal and saves it into the wavefile

sine\_test.

**Usage:** Setting only

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TSIGnal:CIQ:I <|> [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TSIGnal:CIQ:Q <TSig>

Sets the value for the Q component of the test signal

Parameters:

<TSig> float

Range: -0.5 to 0.5 Increment: 0.001 \*RST: 0 Default unit: FS

**Example:** BB:ARB:TSIG:CIQ:Q 0.5

sets the value for the Q component of the test signal.

#### [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TSIGnal:RECTangle:AMPLitude <Amplitude>

Sets the digital amplitude of the rectangular wave.

Parameters:

<Amplitude> float

Range: 0 to 1
Increment: 0.001
\*RST: 0.800
Default unit: FS

**Example:** BB:ARB:TSIG:RECT:AMPL 0.5

sets the amplitude of the test signal

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TSIGnal:RECTangle:FREQuency < Frequency>

The command sets the frequency of the test signal.

Parameters:

<Frequency> float

Range: 100 Hz to 25.0E6 Hz

Increment: 0.01 \*RST: 1 kHz

**Example:** BB:ARB:TSIG:RECT:FREQ 100 kHz

sets the frequency of the test signal of 100 kHz.

### [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TSIGnal:RECTangle:OFFSet < Offset>

Sets the DC component.

Parameters:

<Offset> float

Range: -1 to 1
Increment: 0.001
\*RST: 0
Default unit: FS

**Example:** BB:ARB:TSIG:RECT:OFFS 0.5

sets the DC component

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TSIGnal:RECTangle:SAMPles <Samples>

Sets the number of sample values required for the rectangular signal per period.

Parameters:

<Samples> integer

Range: 4 to 1000

Increment: 1 \*RST: 100

**Example:** BB:ARB:TSIG:RECT:SAMP 400

sets 400 samples per period

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TSIGnal:SINE:FREQuency < Frequency>

The command sets the frequency of the simple sinusoidal test signal. This signal is used as output via the I channel. A sine wave of the same frequency but optionally phase-shifted is generated on the Q path (ARB: TSIGnal: SINE: POFFset).

Parameters:

<Frequency> float

Range: 100 to Max

Increment: 0.01 \*RST: 1000 Default unit: Hz

**Example:** BB:ARB:TSIG:SINE:FREQ 100 kHz

sets a sine signal of 100 kHz.

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TSIGnal:SINE:PHASe <Phase>

The command sets the phase offset of the sine wave on the Q channel relative to the sine wave on the I channel.

Parameters:

<Phase> float

Range: -180 to 180

Increment: 0.01 \*RST: 90 Default unit: DEG

**Example:** BB:ARB:TSIG:SINE:PHAS 90

sets a phase offset of 90 degrees.

#### [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:TSIGnal:SINE:SAMPles <Samples>

The command sets the sample rate for the sine signal in samples per period.

The resulting clock rate must not exceed the maximum ARB clock rate of 150 or 90 MHz depending on the installed options.

The maximum value is automatically restricted by reference to the set frequency and has to fulfill the rule Frequency \* Samples <= ARB clock rate.

#### Parameters:

<Samples> integer

Range: 4 to 1000

Increment: 1 \*RST: 100

Default unit: 100 samples per period

**Example:** BB:ARB:TSIG:SINE:SAMP 100

sets a sample rate of 100 samples per period.

## SOURce:BB:ARB:MCAR Subsystem

The MCARrrier subsystem contains the commands for setting the Multi Carrier Waveform Generator.

Section chapter 7.3, "R&S Signal Generator Waveform and List Format", on page 439 describes the ARB waveform format and how it is used to transmit waveforms via the IEC bus.

#### CARRier<ch>

The numerical suffix under CARRier distinguish between the carriers. The value range is 0 .. 31.

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## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:CARRier:COUNt <Count>

The command sets the number of carriers in the ARB multi carrier waveform.

The total bandwidth (**Number of carriers - 1**) \*Carrier spacing is 120 or 60 MHz depending on the installed options.

The number of carriers entered therefore defines the maximum carrier spacing (:BB:ARB:MCARrier:CARRier:SPACing) and the carrier spacing is reduced if the total bandwidth is not respected when entering the number of carriers.

#### Parameters:

<Count> integer

Range: 1 to 512

Increment: 1 \*RST: 1

**Example:** BB:ARB:MCAR:CARR:COUN 10

sets 10 carriers for the multi carrier waveform.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:CARRier:MODE <mode>

The command sets the carrier frequency mode.

Parameters:

<mode> EQUidistant | ARBitrary

**EQUidistant** 

Sets an equidistant carrrier spacing. The carrier frequency in the

carrier table is not configurable.

**ARBitrary** 

Enables you to specify the carrier frequency in the carrier table.

Carrier spacing is irrelevant.

\*RST: EQUidistant

**Example:** BB:ARB:MCAR:CARR:MODE EQU

sets an equidistant carrier spacing. The carrier frequency can not

be set.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:CARRier:SPACing <Spacing>

The command sets the frequency spacing between adjacent carriers of the multi carrier waveform. The carriers are generated symmetrically around the RF carrier. The maximum carrier spacing is limited to **Carrier spacing = Total baseband bandwidth /(Number of carriers - 1).** 

The total baseband bandwidth is 120 or 60 MHz depending on the installed options.

**Note:**In order to avoid wrap-around problems, the effective "Carrier Spacing" might be slightly modified. The "Carrier Spacing" is rounded in that way that the carrier closest to the center RF frequency shows no phase jump assuming that the carrier is unmodulated.

- For odd number of carriers:
   RoundedCarrierSpacing=1/OutputSignalDuration\* round(CarrierSpacing \* Output-SignalDuration);
- For even number of carriers:
   RoundedCarrierSpacing=2/OutputSignalDuration\*round(0.5 \*CarrierSpacing \* OutputSignalDuration);

### Parameters:

<Spacing> float

Range: 0.0 to 120E6

Increment: 0.01 \*RST: 0
Default unit: Hz

**Example:** BB:ARB:MCAR:CARR:SPAC 10 MHz

sets a carrier spacing of 10 MHz.

### [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:CARRier<ch>:CONFlict?

Queries carrier conflicts. A conflict arises when the carriers overlap.

Return values:

<conflict> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: 0

**Example:** BB:ARB:MCAR:CARR:CONF?

queries the multi carrier conflict state. Response: 0 no conflict has occurred.

Usage: Query only

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:CARRier<ch>:DELay < Delay>

The command sets the start delay of the selected carrier.

Parameters:

<Delay> float

Range: 0 to 1 Increment: 1E-9 \*RST: 0 Default unit: s

**Example:** BB:ARB:MCAR:CARR15:DEL 5us

sets a start delay of 50 us for carrier 15.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:CARRier<ch>:FILE <File>

The command selects the file with I/Q data to be modulated onto the selected carrier.

Parameters:

<File> <file name>

**Example:** BB:ARB:MCAR:CARR15:FILE '/var/smbv/IQ wcdma'

selects file IQ wcdma. The data of the file is modulated onto car-

rier 15.

### [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:CARRier<ch>:FREQuency < Frequency>

Sets or indicates the carrier frequency, depending on the selected carrier frequency mode.

The carrier frequency can be set in "Arbitrary Carrier frequency" mode. For "Equidistant Carrier Spacing", the carrier spacing is determined automatically.

Parameters:

<Frequency> integer

Range: -40.0E6 to 40.0E6

Increment: 1 \*RST: 0

**Example:** BB:ARB:MCAR:CARR:MODE ARB

activates ARB multi carrier mode. BB:ARB:MCAR:CARR:FREQ 5.0 sets 5.0 MHz carrier frequency.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:CARRier<ch>:PHASe <Phase>

The command sets the start phase of the selected carrier.

The phase settings are only valid if optimization of the crest factor is disabled (:SOURce:BB:ARB:MCARrier:CFACtor:MODE OFF).

Parameters:

<Phase> float

Range: 0 to 359.99

Increment: 0.01 \*RST: 0 Default unit: DEG

**Example:** BB:ARB:MCAR:CARR15:PHAS 90 DEG

sets a start phase of 90° for carrier 15.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:CARRier<ch>:POWer < Power>

The command sets the gain of the selected carrier.

Parameters:

<Power> float

Range: -80 to 0 Increment: 0.01 \*RST: 0 Default unit: dB

Example: BB:ARB:MCAR:CARR15:POW -50 dB

sets the power of carrier 15 to -50 dB.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:CARRier<ch>:STATe <State>

The command switches the selected carrier on or off.

Parameters:

<State> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: ON

**Example:** BB:ARB:MCAR:CARR15:STAT ON

switches carrier 15 on.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:CFACtor:MODE <Mode>

The command sets the mode for optimizing the crest factor by calculating the carrier phases.

Parameters:

<Mode> OFF | MIN | MAX

**OFF** 

There is no automatic setting for minimizing or maximizing the crest factor. The Phase setting (command

BB:ARB:MCAR:CARR:PHAS) is in use.

MIN

The crest factor is minimized by internally calculating optimized

carrier phases. The Phase setting (command

BB: ARB: MCAR: CARR: PHAS) is invalid.

MAX

The crest factor is maximized by internally calculating optimized

carrier phases. The Phase setting (command

BB:ARB:MCAR:CARR:PHAS) is invalid.

\*RST: OFF

**Example:** BB:ARB:MCAR:CFAC:MODE OFF

switches off automatic crest factor optimization. The setting

SOUR: BB: ARB: MCAR: CARR: PHAS has an effect.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:CLIPping:CFACtor < CFactor>

Sets the value of the desired crest factor, if baseband clipping is enabled (BB:ARB:MCAR:CLIP:STAT ON).

A Target Crest Factor above the crest factor of the unclipped multicarrier signal has no effect.

Parameters:

<CFactor> float

Range: -50 to 50 Increment: 0.01 \*RST: 50 Default unit: dB

**Example:** BB:ARB:MCAR:CLIP:STAT ON

enables clipping.

BB:ARB:MCAR:CLIP:CFAC 37 dB

sets the target crest factor.

#### [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:CLIPping:CUToff < Cutoff>

Sets the cut off frequency of the final lowpass filter, if baseband clipping is enabled (BB:ARB:MCAR:CLIP:STAT ON).

When the cut off frequency is set as half of the output sample rate, a final lowpass filter improves the spectrum of the clipped multicarrier signal, but may also increase the resulting crest factor.

Parameters:

<Cutoff> float

Range: 0 to 50E6
Increment: 0.01
\*RST: 50E6
Default unit: MHz

**Example:** BB:ARB:MCAR:CLIP:STAT ON

enables clipping

BB:ARB:MCAR:CLIP:CUT 50 MHz sets the cut off frequency of the filter.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:CLIPping[:STATe] <State>

Switches baseband clipping on and off.

Clipping reduces the peak power of the resulting multi carrier signal according to the value set with the command BB: ARB: MCAR: CLIP: CFAC.

The resulting clipped peak power is defined by sum of the the RMS level of the unclipped multi carrier signal and the input parameter Target Crest Factor. Note that clipping reduces also the RMS level. Hence the resulting crest factor of the clipped signal is slightly above the Target Crest Factor. In order to get the unclipped parts of the clipped multi-carrier signal matched with the unclipped multicarrier signal, the RF output power should be reduced by the difference between resulting crest factor and Target Crest Factor.

#### Parameters:

<State> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: 0

**Example:** BB:ARB:MCAR:CLIP:STAT ON

enables clipping

BB:ARB:MCAR:CLIP:CFAC 37 dB

sets the target crest factor.

#### [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:CLOad <Cload>

This command creates a multi carrier waveform using the current entries of the carrier table.

This multi carrier waveform is saved with the file name specified with command SOUR: BB: ARB: MCAR: OFIL. The file extension is \*.wv. Digital standard "ARB" is activated, the new multi carrier waveform is loaded and is output in accordance to the trigger settings.

#### Parameters:

<Cload> <file name>

**Example:** MMEM:CDIR '/var/smbv/user/waveform'

sets the default directory to /var/smbv/user/waveform.

BB:ARB:MCAR:OFIL 'mcar1 2'

defines the file name mcar1 2.wv for the multi carrier waveform.

BB:ARB:MCAR:CLO

creates multi carrier waveform mcar1 2.wv.

The new multi carrier waveform is loaded and digital standard

"ARB" is activated.

Usage: Event

### [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:CLOCk?

The command queries the resulting sample rate at which the multi carrier waveform is output by the arbitrary waveform generator. The output clock rate depends on the number of carriers, carrier spacing and input sample rate of the leftmost or rightmost carriers.

## Return values:

<Clock> float

Range: 400 to Max

Increment: 1E-3

**Example:** BB:ARB:MCAR:CLOC?

queries the ARB multi carrier output clock rate.

Usage: Query only

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:CREate

This command creates a multi carrier waveform using the current settings of the carrier table. The multi carrier waveform is saved into the file defined with command SOUR: BB: ARB: MCAR: OFIL. The file extension is \*.wv.

**Example:** MMEM:CDIR '/var/smbv/user/waveform'

sets the default directory to /var/smbv/user/waveform.

BB:ARB:MCAR:OFIL 'multi\_wv1'

defines the file name multi wv1.wv for the multi carrier wave-

form.

BB:ARB:MCAR:CRE

creates multi carrier waveform multi wv1.wv.

Usage: Event

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:EDIT:CARRier:DELay:STEP <Step>

The command sets the step width by which the start delays of the carriers in the defined carrier range will be incremented.

Parameters:

<Step> float

Range: -1 to 1
Increment: 1E-9
\*RST: 0
Default unit: s

**Example:** BB:ARB:MCAR:EDIT:CARR:DEL 5 us

sets a start delay of 5 us for the carriers in the carrier range.

BB:ARB:MCAR:EDIT:CARR:DEL:STEP 1 us

the start delay is incremented by 1us for each carrier, i.e. the first carrier has a start delay of 5us, the second a start delay of 6 us,

etc.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:EDIT:CARRier:DELay[:STARt] < Start>

The command sets the start delay for the individual carriers in the defined carrier range. If the command :BB:ARB:MCAR:EDIT:CARR:DEL:STEP is used to define a step width, the delay entered here applies only to the starting carrier. The delays of the remaining carriers are stepped up or down by the delay value specified in

the :BB:ARB:MCAR:EDIT:CARR:DEL:STEP command.

Parameters:

<Start> float

Range: 0 to 1
Increment: 1E-9
\*RST: 0
Default unit: s

**Example:** BB:ARB:MCAR:EDIT:CARR:DEL 5us

sets a start delay of 5 us for the carriers in the carrier range.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:EDIT:CARRier:EXECute

The command adopts the settings for the carrier range which has been defined using the :BB:ARB:MCAR:EDIT:CARR:... commands.

**Example:** BB:ARB:MCAR:EDIT:CARR:STAR 4

the carrier range starts at carrier 2.
BB:ARB:MCAR:EDIT:CARR:STOP 20
the carrier range stops at carrier 20.
BB:ARB:MCAR:EDIT:CARR:STAT ON

sets all the carriers in the carrier range (2 to 20) to ON.

BB:ARB:MCAR:EDIT:CARR:EXEC

transfers the assistant settings for carrier 2 to 20 into the carrier

table.

Usage: Event

#### [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:EDIT:CARRier:FILE <File>

Parameters:

<File> string

**Example:** BB:ARB:MCAR:EDIT:CARR:FILE '/var/smbv/IQ wcdma'

selects input file IQ wcdma. The data of the file are modulated

onto the carriers in the defined carrier range.

#### [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:EDIT:CARRier:PHASe:STEP <Step>

The command sets the step width by which the start phases of the carriers in the defined carrier range will be incremented.

The phase settings are only valid if optimization of the crest factor is disabled (:SOURce:BB:ARB:MCARrier:CFACtor:MODE OFF).

Parameters:

<Step> float

Range: -359.99 to 359.99

Increment: 0.01
\*RST: 0
Default unit: DEG

**Example:** BB:ARB:MCAR:EDIT:CARR:PHAS 90 DEG

sets a start phase of 90° for the carriers in the carrier range.

BB:ARB:MCAR:EDIT:CARR:PHAS:STEP 1 DEG

the start phase is incremented by 1° for each carrier, i.e. the first carrier has a start phase of 90°, the second a start phase of 91°,

etc.

### [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:EDIT:CARRier:PHASe[:STARt] <Start>

The command sets the start phase for the individual carriers in the defined carrier range. If the command :BB:ARB:MCAR:EDIT:CARR:PHAS:STEP is used to define a step width, the phase entered here applies only to the starting carrier. The phases of the remaining carriers are stepped up or down by the phase value specified in the :BB:ARB:MCAR:EDIT:CARR:PHAS:STEP command.

The phase settings are only valid if optimization of the crest factor is disabled (:SOURce:BB:ARB:MCARrier:CFACtor:MODE OFF).

Parameters:

<Start> float

Range: 0 to 359.99

Increment: 0.01 \*RST: 0 Default unit: DEG

**Example:** BB:ARB:MCAR:EDIT:CARR:PHAS 90 DEG

sets a start phase of 90° for the carriers in the carrier range.

#### [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:EDIT:CARRier:POWer:STEP <Step>

The command sets the step width by which the starting power of the carriers in the defined carrier range will be incremented.

Parameters:

<Step> float

Range: -80 to 80 Increment: 0.01 \*RST: 0 Default unit: dB

**Example:** BB:ARB:MCAR:EDIT:CARR:POW -80dB

sets a power of -80 dB for the carriers in the carrier range.

BB:ARB:MCAR:EDIT:CARR:POW:STEP 1 dB

the power is incremented by 1dB for each carrier, i.e. the first car-

rier has -80dB, the second -79dB, etc.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:EDIT:CARRier:POWer[:STARt] <Start>

The command sets the power for the individual carriers in the defined carrier range. If the command :BB:ARB:MCAR:EDIT:CARR:POW:STEP is used to define a step width, the power entered here applies only to the starting carrier. The power of the remaining carriers is stepped up or down by the power specified in

the :BB:ARB:MCAR:EDIT:CARR:POW:STEP command.

Parameters:

<Start> float

Range: -80 to 0 Increment: 0.01 \*RST: 0 Default unit: dB

**Example:** BB:ARB:MCAR:EDIT:CARR:POW -50 dB

sets the power of the carriers in the carrier range to -50 dB.

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:EDIT:CARRier:STARt <Start>
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:EDIT:CARRier:STOP <Stop>

The command selects the last carrier in the carrier range to which the settings with the :BB:ARB:MCAR:EDIT:CARR:.. commands shall apply.

Parameters:

<Stop> integer

Range: 0 to 511

Increment: 1 \*RST: 0

**Example:** BB:ARB:MCAR:EDIT:CARR:STOP 4

the carrier range stops at carrier 4.

#### [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:EDIT:CARRier:STATe <State>

The command switches all the carriers in the selected carrier range on or off.

Parameters:

<State> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: 1

**Example:** BB:ARB:MCAR:EDIT:CARR:STAT ON

sets all the carriers in the carrier range to ON.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:OFILe <OFile>

This command defines the output file name for the multi carrier waveform. This file name is used when a waveform is calculated (command SOUR: BB: ARB: MCAR: CLOad or SOUR: BB: ARB: MCAR: CREate). The file extension is \*.wv.

Parameters:

<OFile> string

**Example:** MMEM:CDIR '/var/smbv/user/waveform'

sets the default directory to /var/smbv/user/waveform.

BB:ARB:MCAR:OFIL 'mcar1 2'

defines the file name mcarl 2.wv for the multi carrier waveform

file

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:PRESet

The command sets all ARB multi carrier parameters to their default values.

**Example:** BB:ARB:MCAR:PRES

resets the ARB multi carrier parameters to default values.

Usage: Event

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:SAMPles?

The command queries the resulting file size. The file size is returned in samples.

Return values:

<Samples> integer

Range: 0 to INT\_MAX

Increment: 1 \*RST: 0

**Example:** BB:ARB:MCAR:SAMP?

queries the file size of the currently calculated multi carrier wave-

form.

Usage: Query only

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:SETTing:CATalog?

This command queries the available settings files in the specified default directory. The settings files are used to set the ARB multi carrier submenu. Only files with the file extension \*.arb multcarr will be listed.

Return values:

<Catalog> string

**Example:** MMEM:CDIR '/var/smbv/user/waveform'

sets the default directory to /var/smbv/user/waveform.

BB:ARB:MCAR:SETT:CAT?

reads out all the settings files in the default directory.

Response: mcar1, mcar2

the directory contains the configuration files mcar1.arb mult

carr and mcar2.arb\_multcarr.

Usage: Query only

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:SETTing:LOAD <Filename>

The command loads the settings file. If a settings file with the specified name does not yet exist, it is created. The file extension may be omitted. Only files with the file extension \*.arb multcarr will be loaded or created.

## **Setting parameters:**

<Filename> string

**Example:** BB:ARB:MCAR:SETT:LOAD

'/var/smbv/user/waveform/new' creates settings file new.arb\_multcarr.

Usage: Setting only

### [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:SETTing:STORe <Filename>

The command stores the current settings of submenu "Multi Carrier" in a file in the specified directory. The file extension may be omitted, the files are stored with the file extension \*.arb multcarr.

#### **Setting parameters:**

<Filename> string

**Example:** BB:ARB:MCAR:SETT:STOR

'/var/smbv/user/waveform/mcarr2'

stores settings file mcarr2.arb\_multcarr in the default direc-

tory.

**Usage:** Setting only

#### [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:SETTing:STORe:FAST <Fast>

Determines whether the instrument performs an absolute or a differential storing of the settings.

Enable this function to accelerate the saving process by saving only the settings with values different to the default ones.

Note: This function is not affected by the "Preset" function.

Parameters:

<Fast> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: 1

### [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:TIME <Time>

The command sets the user-defined signal period. This setting is only possible for Signal Period Mode User (BB: ARB: MCAR: TIME: MODE USER).

#### Parameters:

<Time> float

Range: 0 to 1E9
Increment: 1E-9
\*RST: 0
Default unit: s

**Example:** BB:ARB:MCAR:TIME:MODE USER

selects Signal Period Mode User.
BB:ARB:MCAR:TIME 10 s
sets a signal period of 10 seconds

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:MCARrier:TIME:MODE <Mode>

The command selects the mode for calculating the resulting signal period of the multi carrier waveform. The resulting period is always calculated for all carriers in the carrier table irrespective of their state (ON/OFF).

## Parameters:

<Mode> USER | LONG | SHORt

#### LONG

The resulting signal period is defined by the longest I/Q file in the carrier table. Shorter I/Q files are periodically repeated.

#### **SHORt**

The resulting signal period is defined by the shortest I/Q file in the carrier table. Only the first part of longer I/Q files is used.

### **USER**

The signal period can be set with command

SOUR: BB: ARB: MCARr: TIME. Shorter I/Q files are repeated periodically, and only the first part of longer I/Q files is used.

\*RST: LONG

**Example:** BB:ARB:MCAR:TIME:MODE LONG

selects signal period mode long

## SOURce:BB:ARB:WAV Subsystem

The WAVeform subsystem contains the commands for working with waveform files.

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## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WAVeform:CATalog?

This command reads out the files in the default directory. The default directory is set using command MMEM:CDIRectory. When the names of the waveform files are returned they are separated by commas. Only files with the file extension \*.wv will be listed.

## Return values:

<Catalog> string

**Example:** MMEM:CDIR '/var/smbv/user/waveform'

sets the default directory to /var/smbv/user/waveform.

BB:ARB:WAV:CAT?

reads out all the files in the default directory.

Response: sin1, wave

the directory contains the waveform files sin1.wv and

wave.wv.

Usage: Query only

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WAVeform:CATalog:LENGth?

This command reads out the files in the default directory and returns the number of waveform files in this directory. The default directory is set using command MMEM: CDIRectory. Only files with the file extension \*.wv will be listed.

#### Return values:

<Length> integer

Number of waveform files in default directory

Range: 0 to INT MAX

Increment: 1 \*RST: 0

**Example:** MMEM:CDIR '/var/smbv/user/waveform'

sets the default directory to /var/smbv/user/waveform.

BB:ARB:WAV:CAT?

reads out all the files in the default directory.

Response: sin1, wave

the directory contains the waveform files 'sin1.wv' and

'wave.wv'.

BB:ARB:WAV:CAT:LEN?

Response: 2

Usage: Query only

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WAVeform:DATA <Filename>, <Data> [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WAVeform:DATA? <Tag>

The **setting** command writes the block data <br/>
<br/>
<br/>
<br/>
waveform filename>. The complete content of the waveform file is transmitted as binary data block.

The IEC bus delimiter should be set to EOI when this is done, in order to ensure troublefree data transmission.

The **query** command queries the content of the specified tag of the selected waveform file (see chapter 7.3, "R&S Signal Generator Waveform and List Format", on page 439).

By default, the waveform files are saved in the default directory of the instrument (/var/instrument/Lists).

To access the waveform files in this default directory, only the file name is required, without the path and the file extension.

However, to access waveform files located in a directory different to the default one, the complete file path and file name are required.

Parameters:

<Filename> string

Setting parameters:

<Data> string

Specifies the name of the wavefile in that the binary data will be copied. Waveform data is stored only in files with the specific file

extensions \*.wv.

Query parameters:

<Tag> 'comment' | 'copyright' | 'date' | 'lacpfilter' | 'marker name' |

'poweroffset'

Example: Setting

BB:ARB:WAV:DATA

'/var/smbv/user/TEST1.WV',#3767<bin data block> writes the block data to file 'test1.wv' in the /var/smbv/user

directory.

Example: Query

BB:ARB:WAV:DATA?

'/var/smbv/user/TEST1.WV','comment'

queries the content of the 'comment' tag of file wave1.wv in the

user directory

Response: "Sine wave for test purposes"

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WAVeform:DELete <Filename>

The command deletes the specified waveform file. If the file is not on the default path, the path must be specified at the same time. The file extension may be omitted. Only files with the file extension \*.wv will be deleted.

**Setting parameters:** 

<Filename> string

**Example:** BB:ARB:WAV:DEL '/var/smbv/user/wave1.wv'

deletes waveform file wave1.wv.

Usage: Setting only

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WAVeform:FREE?

The command queries the free disk space on the default path of the instrument's harddisk.

Return values:

<Free> integer

Range: 0 to INT\_MAX

Increment: 1 \*RST: 1

**Example:** MMEM:CDIR '/var/smbv/user/waveform'

sets the default directory to /var/smbv/user/waveform.

BB:ARB:WAV:FREE?

queries the free disk space in directory /var/smbv/user/waveform.

Usage: Query only

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WAVeform:POINts?

The command queries the number of samples in the waveform file selected using command :ARB:WAV:SEL. Only the file name has to be entered. Only files with the file extension \*.wv will be read out.

Return values:

<Points> <waveform filename>

Range: 0 to 1000

Increment: 1 \*RST: 1

**Example:** BB:ARB:WAV:POINt?

queries the number of I/Q values pairs in the waveform file.

Response: 401

the waveform file contains 401 I/Q values pairs.

Usage: Query only

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WAVeform:SELect <Filename>

The command selects the waveform file. If the file is not on the default path, the path must be specified at the same time. If no file of the specified name exists, it is created. The file extension may be omitted. Only files with the file extension \*.wv will be created or loaded.

Parameters:

<Filename> string

**Example:** BB:ARB:WAV:SEL '/var/smbv/user/wave1.wv'

selects waveform file 'wave1.wv' from the /var/smbv/user directory

and loads it ..

BB:ARB:TRIG:SEQ AAUT sets trigger mode Armed\_Auto.
BB:ARB:TRIG:SOUR INT selects internal triggering.

BB:ARB:STAT ON

switches on the ARB generator.

BB:ARB:TRIG:EXEC

starts generating the selected waveform.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WAVeform:TAG?

The commandqueries the content of the specified tag of the selected Waveform file file (see chapter 7.3, "R&S Signal Generator Waveform and List Format", on page 439).

Return values:

<Tag> string

Example: BB:ARB:WAV:TAG? 'comment'

queries the content of the 'comment' tag. Response: "Sine wave for test purposes"

Usage: Query only

## SOURce:BB:ARB:WSEG Subsystem

The WSEGment subsystem contains the commands for setting the Multi Segment Waveform Generator.

Section chapter 7.3, "R&S Signal Generator Waveform and List Format", on page 439 describes the ARB waveform format and how it is used to transmit waveforms via the IEC bus.

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## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WSEGment?

This command queries the currently output segment of the multi segment waveform.

## Return values:

<Wsegment> integer

Range: 0 to 1023

Increment: 1 \*RST: 0

**Example:** BB:ARB:WSEG?

queries the currently output segment.

Response 2

segment 2 is currently output.

**Usage:** Query only

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WSEGment:CLOad <Filename>

This command creates a multi segment waveform using the current entries of the specified configuration file.

This multi segment waveform is saved with the file name specified in the configuration file. The file extension is \*.wv. Digital standard "ARB" is activated, the new multi segment waveform is loaded and the first segment is output in accordance to the trigger settings.

## **Setting parameters:**

<Filename> string

**Example:** MMEM:CDIR '/var/smbv/user/waveform'

sets the default directory to /var/smbv/user/waveform.

BB:ARB:WSEG:CONF:SEL 'multi sin'

creates the configuration file multi sin.inf mswv in the

default directory.

BB:ARB:WSEG:CONF:SEGM:APP 'sinus1'

includes waveform sinus1.wv as segment 1 in the configuration file. The waveform must be available in the default directory.

BB:ARB:WSEG:CONF:SEGM:APP 'sinus2'

includes waveform sinus2.wv as segment 2 in the configuration file. The waveform must be available in the default directory.

BB:ARB:WSEG:CONF:OFIL 'mseg1 2'

defines the file name  ${\tt mseg1\_2.wv}$  for the multi segment wave-

form.

BB:ARB:WSEG:CLO 'multi sin'

creates multi segment waveform  ${\tt mseg1\_2.wv}$  using the settings

of the configuration file multi sin.inf mswv.

The new multi segment waveform is loaded and digital standard

"ARB" is activated.

**Usage:** Setting only

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WSEGment:CONFigure:BLANk:APPend <SampCount>,

<Frequency>

Adds a blank segment to the multi segment file.

### Setting parameters:

<SampCount> float

Specifies the number of samples.

Range: 512 to 1E7

Increment: 1 \*RST: 1000

<Frequency> float

Determines the clock rate.

Range: 400 Hz to Max (depends on instrument type)

Increment: 0.001 \*RST: 1E8

**Example:** SOUR:BB:ARB:WSEG:CONF:SEL "MSegFile"

selects a multi segment file.

SOUR: BB: ARB: WSEG: CONF: BLAN: APP 1000, 100000000 adds a blank segment with 1000 samples and 100 MHz clock rate

to the selected multi segment file

**Usage:** Setting only

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WSEGment:CONFigure:CATalog?

This command queries the available configuration files in the specified default directory. The configuration files are used to create multi segment waveform files.

Return values:

<Catalog> string

**Example:** MMEM:CDIR '/var/smbv/user/waveform'

sets the default directory to /var/smbv/use/waveform.

BB:ARB:WSEG:CONF:CAT?

reads out all the configuration files in the default directory.

Response: mulit1, multi2

the directory contains the configuration files multil.inf mswv

and multi2.inf mswv.

Usage: Query only

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WSEGment:CONFigure:CLOCk <Clock>

This command defines the clock rate used for multi segment waveform output in case of Clock Mode "User" (:BB:ARB:WSEG:CONF:CLOCk:MODE USER).

Parameters:

<Clock> float

Increment: 1E-3

\*RST: max SampleRate

**Example:** BB:ARB:WSEG:CONF:CLOC:MODE USER

selects Clock Mode User.

BB: ARB: WSEG: CONF: CLOC 50MHz defines a clock rate of 50 MHz.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WSEGment:CONFigure:CLOCk:MODE <Mode>

This command selects the clock rate mode for the multi segment waveform.

Parameters:

<Mode> UNCHanged | HIGHest | USER

**UNCHanged** 

The segments are output with the clock rate defined in the waveform file. Extended Trigger Mode "Next Segment Seamless" (:BB:ARB:TRIG:SMOD NSEam) can only be selected if all segments have the same clock rate. Extended Trigger Mode "Next Segment" (:BB:ARB:TRIG:SMOD NEXT) can only be selected if trigger mode "Internal" is selected (:BB:ARB:TRIG:SOUR INT).

**HIGHest** 

The segments are output at the highest available clock rate.

**USER** 

The segments are output with the clock rate defined with com-

mand :BB:ARB:WSEG:CONF:CLOC

\*RST: UNCHanged

**Example:** BB:ARB:WSEG:CONF:CLOC:MODE UNCH

selects clock mode unchanged. The segments are output with the

clock rate defined in the waveform file.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WSEGment:CONFigure:COMMent < Comment>

This command enters a comment for the configuration file. The configuration file must be specified with command :BB:ARB:WSEG:CONF:SEL.

Parameters:

<Comment> string

**Example:** BB:ARB:WSEG:CONF:COMM <3gpp up>

enters comment "3gpp\_up".

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WSEGment:CONFigure:DELete <Filename>

This command deletes the configuration file. The configuration files are used to create multi segment waveform files.

#### Setting parameters:

<Filename> string

**Example:** MMEM:CDIR '/var/smbv/user/waveform'

sets the default directory to /var/smbv/user/waveform.

BB:ARB:WSEG:CONF:DEL 'multi1' deletes configuration file multi1.inf mswv.

**Usage:** Setting only

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WSEGment:CONFigure:LEVel[:MODE] <Mode>

This command selects the level mode for the multi segment waveform.

Parameters:

<Mode> UNCHanged | ERMS

**UNCHanged** 

The segments are output exactly as defined in the files.

**ERMS** 

The segments are output so that all segments have the same rms

value.

\*RST: UNCHanged

**Example:** BB:ARB:WSEG:CONF:LEV:MODE UNCH

selects level mode unchanged. The segments are output as

defined in the waveform file.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WSEGment:CONFigure:MARKer:ESEGment < Mode>

Enables/disables the generation of an additional marker restart signal in the output waveform file.

If additional marker generation is enabled, the existing marker signals in the individual segment waveform files are not considered.

#### Parameters:

<Mode> OFF | MRK1 | MRK2 | MRK3 | MRK4

OFF

No additional marker is generated.

MRK1|MRK2|MRK3|MRK4

Generates a restart marker signal at the beginning of each seg-

ment for the corresponding marker.

The segment begin is defined by the low-high slope of the marker. This applies for switching between two segments as well as in

case of segment replay.

\*RST: OFF

**Example:** BB:ARB:WSEG:CONF:SEL 'ConfComm'

BB:ARB:WSEG:CONF:MARK:ESEG MRK3

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WSEGment:CONFigure:MARKer:FSEGment < Mode>

Enables/disables the generation of an additional marker restart signal in the output waveform file.

If additional marker generation is enabled, the existing marker signals in the individual segment waveform files are not considered.

Parameters:

<Mode> OFF | MRK1 | MRK2 | MRK3 | MRK4

**OFF** 

No additional marker is generated.

MRK1|MRK2|MRK3|MRK4

Generates a restart marker signal at the beginning of the first seg-

ment for the corresponding marker.

Use this setting to generate a restart marker for the complete

sequence.

\*RST: OFF

**Example:** BB:ARB:WSEG:CONF:SEL 'ConfComm'

BB:ARB:WSEG:CONF:MARK:FSEG MRK3

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WSEGment:CONFigure:MARKer:MODE <Mode>

Defines the way the marker information within the separate segments is processed.

#### Parameters:

<Mode> IGNore | TAKE

**IGNore** 

The marker information carried in the individual segment wave-

form files is not considered.

**TAKE** 

The output waveform file contains the marker information as con-

figured in the individual waveform files.

\*RST: TAKE

**Example:** BB:ARB:WSEG:CONF:SEL 'ConfComm'

BB:ARB:WSEG:CONF:MARK:MODE TAKE

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WSEGment:CONFigure:OFILe <OFile>

This command defines the file name for the multi segment waveform. This file name is stored in the configuration file and is used when a waveform is created (command :BB:ARB:WSEG:CLOad or :BB:ARB:WSEG:CREate). The file extension is

\*.wv.

Parameters:

<OFile> string

**Example:** MMEM:CDIR '/var/smbv/user/waveform'

sets the default directory to /var/smbv/user/waveform.

BB:ARB:WSEG:CONF:SEL 'multi1'

creates the configuration file multil.inf mswv in default direc-

torv.

BB:ARB:WSEG:CONF:OFIL 'mseg1 2'

defines the file name <code>mseg1\_2.wv</code> for the multi segment waveform file created using configuration file <code>multi1.inf mswv</code>.

#### [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WSEGment:CONFigure:SEGMent:APPend <Waveform>

This command appends the specified waveform to the configuration file.

Setting parameters:

<Waveform> string

**Example:** MMEM:CDIR '/var/smbv/user/waveform'

sets the default directory to /var/smbv/user/waveform.

BB:ARB:WSEG:CONF:SEL 'new'

creates the configuration file new.inf mswv in the default direc-

tory.

BB:ARB:WSEG:CONF:SEGM:APP 'arb1'

appends waveform  ${\tt arb1.wv}$  to configuration file  ${\tt new}$ . Waveform  ${\tt arb1}$  will be the first segment of a multi segment waveform cre-

ated with configuration file new.

**Usage:** Setting only

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WSEGment:CONFigure:SEGMent:CATalog?

This command queries the segments of the currently selected configuration file.

Return values:

<Catalog> string

**Example:** MMEM:CDIR '/var/smbv/user/waveform'

sets the default directory to /var/smbv/user/waveform.

BB:ARB:WSEG:CONF:SEL 'multi\_sin' selects the configuration file multi\_sin.inf\_mswv .

BB:ARB:WSEG:CONF:SEGM:CAT?

queries the segments of the selected configuration file.

Response: arb4, arb2

The configuration file includes the segments  ${\tt arb4.wv}$  and

arb2.wv.

Usage: Query only

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WSEGment:CONFigure:SELect <Filename>

The command selects the configuration file in the default directory A path can also be specified, in which case the files in the specified directory are selected. If a configuration file with the specified name does not yet exist, it is created. The file extension may be omitted. Only files with the file extension \*.inf\_mswv will be selected or created.

Parameters:

<Filename> string

**Example:** MMEM:CDIR '/var/smbv/user/waveform'

sets the default directory to /var/smbv/user/waveform.

BB:ARB:WSEG:CONF:SEL 'new'

create configuration file new.inf mswv in the default directory.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WSEGment:CREate <Filename>

This command creates a multi segment waveform using the current settings of the specified configuration file. The multi segment waveform is saved into the file defined in the configuration file. The file extension is \*.wv.

## **Setting parameters:**

<Filename> string

**Example:** MMEM:CDIR '/var/smbv/user/waveform'

sets the default directory to /var/smbv/user/waveform.

BB:ARB:WSEG:CONF:SEL 'new'

creates the configuration file new.inf mswv in the default direc-

tory.

BB:ARB:WSEG:CONF:SEGM:APP 'arb1.wv'

'includes waveform  $\mathtt{arb1.wv}$  as segment 1 in the configuration file. The waveform must be available in the default directory.

BB:ARB:WSEG:CONF:OFIL 'multi wv1'

defines the file name multi wv1.wv for the multi segment wave-

form.

BB:ARB:WSEG:CRE 'new'

creates multi segment waveform multi wv1.wv using the set-

tings of the configuration file new.inf mswv.

**Usage:** Setting only

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WSEGment:NAME?

This command queries the name of the waveform of the currently output segment of the multi segment waveform.

Return values:

<Name> string

**Example:** BB:ARB:WSEG:NAME?

queries the currently output segment.

Usage: Query only

#### [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WSEGment:NEXT <Next>

This command selects the segment to be output.

Parameters:

<Next> integer

Range: 0 to 1023

Increment: 1 \*RST: 0

**Example:** MMEM:CDIR '/var/smbv/user/waveform'

sets the default directory to root/user/waveform.

BB: ARB: WSEG: NEXT 2

selects segment 2 to be output.

BB: ARB: TRIG: SMOD NEXT

selects extended trigger mode next, i.e. the segment specified with

command :BB:ARB:WSEG:NEXT will be output.

BB: ARB: SEQ AUTO
selects trigger mode Auto.

BB:ARB:WAV:SEL 'multi\_wv1'

loads multi segment waveform multi\_wv1.wv. Generation of

segment 2 starts.
BB:ARB:WSEG:NEXT 3

switched at once to output of segment 3.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WSEGment:NEXT:EXECute

Triggers manually switchover to the subsequent segment in the mutli segment file. A manual trigger can be executed only when an internal next segment source (BB:ARB:WSEG:NEXT:SOUR INT) has been selected.

To perform a switchover to any segment within the multi segment file, select the next segment with the command BB: ARB: WSEG: NEXT.

This command is disabled, if a sequencing play list is enabled.

**Example:** BB:ARB:WSEG:NEXT:SOUR INT

selects internal next segment source.

BB:ARB:WSEG:NEXT 2
selects segment 2 to be output.
BB:ARB:WSEG:NEXT:EXEC

executes a switchover to the next segment.

Usage: Event

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WSEGment:NEXT:SOURce <Source>

Selects the next segment source, i.e. determines whether the next segment is switched upon receiving of an external trigger signal or upon executing of software trigger.

#### Parameters:

<Source> INTernal | NEXT

**INTernal** 

Switch over to any segment is triggered manually by means of the

command BB:ARB:WSEG:NEXT:EXEC.

NEXT

The trigger event for switching to the next segment is input on the

NEXT connector.

\*RST: INTernal

**Example:** BB:ARB:WSEG:NEXT:SOUR INT

selects internal next segment source.

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WSEGment:SEQuence:APPend <State>, <Segment>,

<Count>, <Next>

Appends a new segment to the selected sequencing play list.

Setting parameters:

<State> ON | OFF

activates/deactivates the appended segment

\*RST: ON

<Segment> integer

indicates the number of the segment as in the multi segment

waveform file

Range: 0 to SegmentCount - 1

Increment: 1

<Count> integer

defines how many times this segment is repeated

Range: 1 to 65535

Increment: 1

<Next> NEXT | BLANk | ENDLess | SEG0 | SEG1 | ... | SEG31 |

0...maxSegment

determines the action after completing the current segment, like for instance which segment is processed after the processing of

the current one is finished.

**Example:** BB:ARB:WSEG:SEQ:SEL

'/var/smbv/user/waveform/play\_list\_1'
selects the sequencing list play\_list\_1.wvs.
BB:ARB:WSEG:SEQ:APP ON, 3, 15, BLANK

appends the segment number 3 as a new segment to the sequencing list; this segment is activated and will be repeated 15 times and

followed by a blank segment.

**Usage:** Setting only

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:ARB:WSEGment:SEQuence:SELect <Filename>

Selects the sequencing list (files with extension \*.wvs)

Parameters:

<Filename> string

**Example:** BB:ARB:WSEG:SEQ:SEL

'/var/smbv/user/waveform/play\_list\_1' selects the sequencing list play list 1.wvs.

#### 7.14.3.3 SOURce:BB:DM Subsystem

The commands in the SOURce: BB: DM subsystem are described in two sections, separated into configuring digital modulation and lists for digital modulation.

#### **DM General Remote-Control Commands**

The following section contains the commands for generating the digital modulation signal.

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|   | Power Ramp          |     |
|   |                     |     |

## **Common Settings**

| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:PATTern</hw>          | 549 |
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| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:PRBS[:LENGth]</hw>    | 549 |
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| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:SOURce</hw>           | 550 |
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| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:SWITching:STATe</hw>  |     |
|  |     |

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:PATTern <Pattern>

The command selects the data pattern for the internal data when PATTern is selected as the data source. The maximum length is 64 bits.

#### Parameters:

<Pattern> integer

Range: #B0,1 to #B111...1,64

\*RST: #B0,1

**Example:** BB:DM:SOUR PATT

selects Pattern as the data source for digital modulation.

BB: DM: PATT #B01110111010101010, 17 generates the user-defined sequence of 0/1 data.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:PRBS[:LENGth] <Length>

The command defines the length of the pseudo-random sequence in accordance with the following equation:

Length =  $(2^{\text{Length}}) - 1$ 

Parameters:

<Length> 9 | 11 | 15 | 16 | 20 | 21 | 23

\*RST: 9

**Example:** BB:DM:SOUR PRBS

The internal pseudo-random generator is used as the data source.

BB:DM:PRBS 9

An internal pseudo-random sequence of 511 bits will be gener-

ated.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:PRESet

The command calls the default settings for digital modulation.

**Example:** BB:DM:PRES

calls the default settings for DM.

Usage: Event

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:SOURce <Source>

The command selects the data source.

Parameters:

<Source> ZERO | ONE | PRBS | PATTern | DLISt

ZERO

An internally generated 0 data sequence is used.

ONE

An internally generated 1 data sequence is used.

**PRBS** 

The pseudo-random sequence generator is used as the data source. The length of the random sequence is defined with the aid

of command SOURce: BB: DM: PRBS.

**PATTern** 

Internally generated data with a fixed pattern is used. The data pattern is dafined using command SOURce: BB: DM: PATTern.

**DLISt** 

Data from the selected data list is used.

\*RST: PRBS

Example: BB:DM:SOUR DLIS

the internal data generator is used.

BB:DM:DLIS:SEL 'test'

the data list test.dm\_iqd is used.

#### [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:SRATe <SRate>

The command sets the symbol rate. The value range is dependent on the selected modulation type. On changing to an FSK modulation type, excessively high values are automatically limited to the maximum value that can be set for FSK (see data sheet). The symbol rate can be entered in Hz/kHz/MHz or Symb/s / kSymb/s and MSymb/s.

When a standard is selected (DM: STANdard), the symbol rate is automatically set to the appropriate default value.

The value range is dependent on the selected modulation type (:BB:DM:FORM). When a standard is selected (:BB:DM:STAN), the symbol rate is set to the default value.

#### Parameters:

<SRate> float

Range: 400Hz to 15MHz (FSK) / 25 MHz

Increment: 0.001Hz \*RST: 270833kHz

Default unit: Hz

**Example:** BB:DM:SRAT 10 MHz

sets a symbol rate of 10 MHz.

#### [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:STANdard <Standard>

The command selects the standard. After selection, modulation parameters "Modulation Type" (:BB:DM:FORMat), "Symbol Rate" (:BB:DM:SRATe), "Filter"

(:BB:DM:FILTer:TYPE and :BB:DM:FILTer:PARameter:...) and "Coding" (:BB:DM:CODing) are automatically set in accordance with the standard. The USER parameter cannot be set. A query returns this value if a user-defined Custom Dig Mod setting was loaded or if one of the associated settings was changed subsequent to the selection of a standard. The user defined settings are stored and loaded with commands :BB:DM:STAN:ULIS:... (see "DM Lists" on page 572).

### Parameters:

<Standard> USER | BLUetooth | DECT | ETC | GSM | GSMEdge | NADC |

PDC | PHS | TETRa | W3GPp | TDSCdma | CFORward | CREVerse | WORLdspace | TFTS | APCOPH1C4fm | APCOPH1CQpsk | APCOPH2HCpm | APCOPH2HDQpsk | APCOPH2HD8PSKW | APCOPH2HD8PSKN | APCOPH1Lsm |

APCOPH1Wcqpsk

\*RST: GSM

**Example:** BB:DM:STAN DECT

selects digital modulation according to the DECT standard.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:STATe <State>

The command enables or disables digital modulation. Switching on digital modulation turns off all the other digital standards.

Enabling digital modulation (BB: DM: STAT ON) turns off all the other standards.

Parameters:

<State> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: OFF

Example: BB:DM:STAT ON

switches digital modulation on.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:SWITching:SOURce <Source>

The command selects the source of the CW control signal for switching between a modulated and an unmodulated signal.

Parameters:

<Source> INTernal

**INTernal** 

The CW signal in the control list is used for the control.

\*RST: INTernal

Example: BB:DM:SWIT INT

the CW signal in the control list is used for the control.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:SWITching:STATe <State>

The command enables switching between a modulated and an unmodulated signal.

Parameters:

<State> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: 0

**Example:** BB:DM:SWIT:STAT INT

CW switching is active.

## **Clock Settings**

| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:CLOCk:MODE</hw>                    | 552 |
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| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:CLOCk:MULTiplier</hw>              |     |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:CLOCk:SOURce</hw>                  |     |
| [:SOURce <hw>1:BB:DM:CLOCk:SYNChronization:MODE</hw>    |     |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:CLOCk:SYNChronization:EXEcute</hw> | 554 |

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:CLOCk:MODE <Mode>

The command enters the type of externally supplied clock (:BB:DM:CLOCk:SOURce EXTernal).

Parameters:

<Mode> SYMBol | MSYMbol

\*RST: SYMBol

**Example:** BB:DM:CLOC:MODE SYMB

selects clock type Symbols, i.e. the supplied clock is a symbol

clock.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:CLOCk:MULTiplier <Multiplier>

The command specifies the multiplier for clock type **Multiple Symbols** (BB: DM: CLOCk: MODE MSYM) in the case of an external clock source.

Parameters:

<Multiplier> float

Range: 1 to 64

Increment: 1 \*RST: 4

Example: BB:DM:CLOC:SOUR EXT

selects the external clock source. The clock is supplied via the

CLOCK connector.

BB:DM:CLOC:MODE MSYM

selects clock type Multiple Symbols, i.e. the supplied clock has a

rate which is a multiple of the symbol rate.

BB:DM:CLOC:MULT 12

the multiplier for the external clock rate is 12.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:CLOCk:SOURce <Source>

The command selects the source for the digital modulation clock.

Parameters:

<Source> INTernal | EXTernal

**INTernal** 

The internal clock reference is used.

**EXTernal** 

The external clock reference is supplied to the CLOCK connector.

\*RST: INTernal

Example: BB:DM:CLOC:SOUR INT

selects the internal clock reference.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:CLOCk:SYNChronization:MODE <Mode>

Selects the synchronization mode

This parameter is used to enable generation of very precise synchronous signal of several connected R&S SMBVs.

**Note**: If several instruments are connected, the connecting cables from the master instrument to the slave one and between each two consecutive slave instruments must have the same length and type. Avoid unnecessary cable length and branching points.

Parameters:

<Mode> NONE | MASTer | SLAVe

NONE

The instrument is working in stand-alone mode.

**MASTer** 

The instrument provides all connected instrument with its synchronisation (including the trigger signal) and reference clock sig-

nal.

**SLAVe** 

The instrument receives the synchronisation and reference clock signal from another instrument working in a master mode.

\*RST: NONE

**Example:** BB:DM:CLOC:SYNC:MODE MAST

the instrument is configured to work as a master one.

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:CLOCk:SYNChronization:EXEcute

Performs automatically adjustment of the instrument's settings required for the synchronization mode, set with the command BB: DM: CLOC: SYNC: MODE.

**Example:** BB:DM:CLOC:SYNC:MODE MAST

the instrument is configured to work as a master one.

BB:DM:CLOC:SYNC:EXEC

all synchronization's settings are adjusted accordingly.

Usage: Event

## **Trigger Settings**

The numeric suffix to <code>OUTPut</code> distinguishes between the available markers.

| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:TRIGger:ARM:EXECute</hw>                   | 554 |
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| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:TRIGger:EXECute</hw>                       | 555 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:TRIGger:EXTernal:SYNChronize:OUTPut</hw>   | 555 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:TRIGger:OUTPut:DELay:FIXed</hw>            | 556 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:DELay</ch></hw>         | 556 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:DELay:MINimum</ch></hw> | 557 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:DELay:MAXimum</ch></hw> | 557 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:TRIGger:RMODe</hw>                         | 557 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:TRIGger:SLENgth</hw>                       | 558 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:TRIGger:SOURce</hw>                        | 558 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:TRIGger[:EXTernal<ch>]:DELay</ch></hw>     | 559 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:TRIGger[:EXTernal<ch>]:INHibit</ch></hw>   |     |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM[:TRIGger]:SEQuence</hw>                    |     |

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:TRIGger:ARM:EXECute

The command stops signal generation for trigger modes Armed\_Auto and Armed\_Retrigger. A subsequent internal or external trigger event restart signal generation.

**Example:** BB:DM:TRIG:SOUR INT

sets internal triggering.
BB:DM:TRIG:SEQ ARET

sets Armed\_Retrigger mode, i.e. every trigger event causes signal

generation to restart. BB: DM: TRIG: EXEC

executes a trigger, signal generation is started.

BB: DM: TRIG: ARM: EXEC signal generation is stopped.

BB:DM:TRIG:EXEC

executes a trigger, signal generation is started again.

Usage: Event

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:TRIGger:EXECute

The command executes a trigger. The internal trigger source must be selected using the command:BB:DM:TRIG:SOUR INT and a trigger mode other than AUTO must be selected using the command:BB:DM:TRIG:SEQ.

**Example:** BB:DM:TRIG:SOUR INT

sets internal triggering.
BB:DM:TRIG:SEQ RETR

sets Retrigger mode, i.e. every trigger event causes signal gen-

eration to restart.

BB: DM: TRIG: EXEC

executes a trigger.

Usage: Event

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:TRIGger:EXTernal:SYNChronize:OUTPut <Output>

(enabled for "Trigger Source" External)

Enables/disables output of the signal synchronous to the external trigger event.

For or two or more R&S SMBVs configured to work in a master-slave mode for synchronous signal generation:

- disable this parameter in the slave instruments, in case the master instrument provides the slaves with its internal trigger signal and
- use the default enabled state, if a common external trigger event is provided for the master and the slave instruments.

Parameters:

<Output> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

ON

The signal calculation starts simultaneously with the external trigger event but because of the instrument's processing time the first samples are cut off and no signal is outputted. After elapsing of the internal processing time, the output signal is synchronous to the trigger event.

OFF

The signal output begins after elapsing of the processing time and starts with sample 0, i.e. the complete signal is outputted. This mode is recommended for triggering of short signal sequen-

ces with signal duration comparable with the processing time of

the instrument.
\*RST: ON

Example: BB:DM:TRIG:SOUR EXT

sets external triggering.

BB:DM:TRIG:EXT:SYNC:OUTP ON

enables synchrounous output to external trigger

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:TRIGger:OUTPut:DELay:FIXed <Fixed>

The command restricts the marker delay setting range to the dynamic range. In this range the delay can be set without restarting the marker and signal. If a delay is entered in setting ON but is outside this range, the maximum possible delay is set and an error message is generated.

The numeric suffix in OUTPut has no significance for this command, since the setting always affects every marker.

Parameters:

<Fixed> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: 0

**Example:** BB:DM:TRIG:OUTP:DEL:FIX ON

restricts the marker signal delay setting range to the dynamic

range.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:DELay < Delay>

The command defines the delay between the signal on the marker outputs and the start of the signal, expressed in terms of symbols. Command <code>[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM: TRIGger:OUTPut:DELay:FIXed</code> can be used to restrict the range of values to the dynamic range, i.e. the range within which a delay of the marker signals can be set without restarting the marker and signal.

Parameters:

<Delay> float

Range: 0 to 100 000 Symbols

Increment: 1 symbol \*RST: 0 symbol

**Example:** BB:DM:TRIG:OUTP2:DEL 16

sets a delay of 16 symbols for the signal on connector MARKER

2.

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:DELay:MINimum? [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:DELay:MAXimum?

The command queries the maximum marker delay for set-

ting:BB:DM:TRIG:OUTP:DEL:FIX ON.

Return values:

<Maximum> float

**Example:** BB:DM:TRIG:OUTP:DEL:FIX ON

restricts the marker signal delay setting range to the dynamic

range.

BB:DM:TRIG:OUTP:DEL:MAX

queries the maximum of the dynamic range.

Response: 2000

the maximum for the marker delay setting is 2000 symbols.

Usage: Query only

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:TRIGger:RMODe?

The command displays the status of signal generation for all trigger modes with digital modulation on.

Return values:

<RMode> STOP | RUN

**RUN** 

The signal is generated. A trigger event occurred in the triggered

mode.

**STOP** 

The signal is not generated. A trigger event did not occur in the triggered modes, or signal generation was stopped by the command :BB:DM:TRIG:ARM:EXECute (armed trigger modes

only).

**Example:** BB:DM:TRIG:SOUR EXT

sets external triggering via the TRIGGER 1 connector.

BB:DM:TRIG:MODE ARET

selects the Armed\_Retrigger mode

BB:DM:TRIG:RMOD?

queries the current status of signal generation.

Response: RUN

the signal is generated, an external trigger was executed.

Usage: Query only

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:TRIGger:SLENgth <SLength>

The command defines the length of the signal sequence to be output in the "Single" trigger mode.

Parameters:

<SLength> float

Range: 1 to 4294967295

\*RST: 1000 Default unit: symbol

**Example:** BB:DM:SEQ SING

sets trigger mode Single.
BB:DM:TRIG:SLEN 200

sets a sequence length of 200 symbols. 200 symbols will be output

after the next trigger event.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:TRIGger:SOURce <Source>

The command selects the trigger source.

Parameters:

<Source> INTernal | EXTernal

**INTernal** 

Triggering is executed by means of the Trigger command

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TRIGger: BB: DM: IMMediate or \*TRG in the case of remote control and by means of "Execute Trigger" in the case of manual

operation. **EXTernal** 

Triggering is executed by means of the signal on the TRIGGER 1

connector.

**Example:** BB:DM:TRIG:SOUR EXT

sets external triggering via the TRIGGER 1 connector.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:TRIGger[:EXTernal<ch>]:DELay <Delay>

The command specifies the trigger delay (expressed as a number of symbols) for external triggering.

Parameters:

<Delay> float

Range: 0 to 65535

\*RST: 0
Default unit: symbol

**Example:** BB:DM:TRIG:SOUR EXT

selects an external trigger via the TRIGGER 1 connector.

BB:DM:TRIG:DEL 50

sets a delay of 50 symbols for the trigger.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:TRIGger[:EXTernal<ch>]:INHibit <Inhibit>

The command specifies the number of symbols by which a restart is to be inhibited following a trigger event. This command applies only in the case of external triggering.

#### Parameters:

<Inhibit> float

Range: 0 to 67108863

\*RST: 0
Default unit: symbol

**Example:** BB:DM:TRIG:SOUR EXT

selects an external trigger via the TRIGGER 1 connector.

BB:DM:TRIG:INH 200

sets a restart inhibit for 200 symbols following a trigger event.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM[:TRIGger]:SEQuence <Sequence>

The command selects the trigger mode.

#### Parameters:

<Sequence> AUTO | RETRigger | AAUTo | ARETrigger | SINGle

#### **AUTO**

The modulation signal is generated continuously.

## **RETRigger**

The modulation signal is generated continuously. A trigger event (internal or external) causes a restart.

#### **AAUTO**

The modulation signal is generated only when a trigger event occurs. After the trigger event the signal is generated contunuously. Signal generation is stopped with comman

SOUR: BB: DM: TRIG: ARM: EXEC and started again when a trigger event occurs.

# **ARETrigger**

The modulation signal is generated only when a trigger event occurs. The device automatically toggles to RETRIG mode. Every subsequent trigger event causes a restart. Signal generation is stopped with comman SOUR:BB:DM:TRIG:ARM:EXEC and started again when a trigger event occurs.

#### **SINGle**

The modulation signal is generated only when a trigger event occurs. After the trigger event the signal is generated once to the set sequence length (SOUR:BB:DM:TRIG:SLEN). Every subsequent trigger event caused a restart.

\*RST: AUTO

# Example:

BB:DM:SEQ AAUT

sets the "Armed\_auto" trigger mode; the device waits for the first trigger (e.g. with  $\star \mathtt{TRG}$ ) and then generates the signal continuously.

## **Marker Settings**

| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:MODE</ch></hw>            | .560 |
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| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:OFFTime</ch></hw>         |      |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:ONTime</ch></hw>          | .561 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:PATTern</ch></hw>         | .562 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:PULSe:DIVider</ch></hw>   | .562 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:PULSe:FREQuency</ch></hw> | .562 |

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:MODE < Mode>

The command defines the signal for the selected marker output.

#### Parameters:

<Mode> CLISt | PULSe | PATTern | RATio | TRIGger

#### **CLISt**

A marker signal that is defined in the selected control list is generated.

#### **PULSe**

A pulsed marker signal is generated. The pulse frequency (= symbol rate/divider) is defined with the

SOUR: BB: DM: TRIG: OUTP: PULSe: DIVider command and can be queried with the

SOUR: BB: DM: TRIG: OUTP: PULSe: FREQuency? command.

#### **PATTern**

A marker signal is generated with the aid of a user-definable bit pattern. The bit pattern is entered with the aid of command SOURce:BB:DM:TRIGger:OUTPut:PATTern. The bit pattern is a maximum of 32 bits long.

#### **RATio**

A regular marker signal corresponding to the Time Off / Time On specifications in the commands

SOURce: BB: DM: TRIGger: OUTPut: OFFT and

SOURce: BB: DM: TRIGger: OUTPut: ONT is generated.

\*RST: RATio

**Example:** BB:DM:TRIG:OUTP2:MODE PULS

selects the pulsed marker signal on output MARKER 2.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:OFFTime < OffTime>

The command sets the number of symbols in a period (ON time + OFF time) during which the marker signal in setting SOURce:BB:DM:TRIGger:OUTPut:MODE RATIO on the marker outputs is OFF.

#### Parameters:

<OffTime> integer

Range: 1 to 16777215

Increment: 1
\*RST: 1
Default unit: symbol

**Example:** BB:DM:TRIG:OUTP2:OFFT 20

sets an OFF time of 20 symbols for marker signal 2.

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:ONTime <OnTime>

The command sets the number of symbols in a period (ON time + OFF time) during which the marker signal in setting SOURce:BB:DM:TRIGger:OUTPut:MODE RATIO on the marker outputs is ON.

Parameters:

<OnTime> float

Range: 1 to 16777215

\*RST: 1
Default unit: symbol

Example: BB:DM:TRIG:OUTP2:ONT 20

sets an ON time of 20 symbols for marker 2

#### [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:PATTern < Pattern>

The command defines the bit pattern used to generate the marker signal in the setting SOURCe:BB:DM:TRIGger:OUTPut:MODE PATTern. 0 is marker off, 1 is marker on.

Parameters:

<Pattern> integer

Range: #B0,1 to #B111...1,32

\*RST: #B,1

**Example:** BB:DM:TRIG:OUTP2:PATT #B000000111111111,15

sets a bit pattern.

BB:DM:TRIG:OUTP2:MODE PATT

activates the marker signal according to a bit pattern on output

MARKER 2.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:PULSe:DIVider < Divider>

The command sets the divider for Pulse marker mode

(SOUR: BB: DM: TRIGr: OUTP: MODE PULSe). The resulting pulse frequency is derived by dividing the symbol rate by the divider.

Parameters:

<Divider> integer

Range: 2 to 1024

Increment: 1 \*RST: 2

**Example:** BB:DM:TRIG:OUTP2:PULS:DIV 2

sets the divider to 2 for the marker signal on output MARKER 2.

BB:DM:TRIG:OUTP2:FREQ?

queries the resulting pulse frequency of the marker signal.

Response: 66 000

the resulting pulse frequency is 66 kHz.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:PULSe:FREQuency?

The command queries the pulse frequency of the pulsed marker signal in the setting SOURce:BB:DM:TRIGger:OUTPut:MODE PULSe. The pulse frequency is derived by dividing the symbol rate by the divider.

Return values:

<Frequency> float

**Example:** BB:DM:TRIG:OUTP2:PULS:DIV 2

sets the divider marker signal on output MARKER 2 to the value

2.

BB:DM:TRIG:OUTP2:MODE PULS enables the pulsed marker signal.
BB:DM:TRIG:OUTP2:PULS:FREQ?

queries the pulse frequency of the marker signal.

Response: 33 000

the resulting pulse frequency is

Usage: Query only

#### **Filter Settings**

| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:FILTer:OSAMpling</hw>                   | 563 |
|--|-----|
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:FILTer:OSAMpling:AUTO</hw>              |     |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:FILTer:PARameter:COSine[:ROLLoff]</hw>  | 564 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:FILTer:PARameter:GAUSs</hw>             | 564 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:FILTer:PARameter:LPASs</hw>             | 564 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:FILTer:PARameter:LPASSEVM</hw>          | 564 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:FILTer:PARameter:PGAuss</hw>            | 564 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:FILTer:PARameter:RCOSine</hw>           | 564 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:FILTer:PARameter:SPHase</hw>            | 564 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:FILTer:PARameter:APCO25</hw>            | 564 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:FILTer:PARameter:COSine:BANDwidth</hw>  | 565 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:FILTer:PARameter:APCO25Lsm:GAUSs</hw>   | 565 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:FILTer:PARameter:APCO25Lsm:LOWPass</hw> | 565 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:FILTer:TYPE</hw>                        | 565 |
|  |     |

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:FILTer:OSAMpling < OSampling>

The command sets the upsampling factor.

Parameters:

<OSampling> integer

Range: 1 to 32 Increment: 1 \*RST: 32

Example: BB:DM:FILT:OSAM 32

sets the upsampling factor to 32.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:FILTer:OSAMpling:AUTO <Auto>

The command activates/deactivates the upsampling factor state. If activated, the most sensible parameter values are selected. The value depends on the coherence check. If deactivated, the values can be changed manually.

Parameters:

<Auto> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: 1

**Example:** BB:DM:FILT:OSAM:AUTO ON

The most sensible parameters are selected automatically.

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:FILTer:PARameter:COSine[:ROLLoff] <Cosine>

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:FILTer:PARameter:GAUSs <Gauss> [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:FILTer:PARameter:LPASs <LPass>

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:FILTer:PARameter:LPASSEVM <LPassEvm>

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:FILTer:PARameter:PGAuss < PGauss> [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:FILTer:PARameter:RCOSine < RCosine>

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:FILTer:PARameter:SPHase <SPhase>

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:FILTer:PARameter:APCO25 <Apco25>

The command sets the roll-off factor for filter type APCO25.

On selecting filter APCO25, the filter parameter is set to the default value.

#### Parameters:

<Apco25> float

Range: 0.05 to 0.99

Increment: 0.01 \*RST: 0.2

<Cosine> float

Range: 0.05 to 1.0

Increment: 0.01 \*RST: 0.35

<Gauss> float

Range: 0.15 to 100000

Increment: 0.01 \*RST: 0.3

<LPass> float

Range: 0.05 to 2 Increment: 0.01 \*RST: 0.5

<LPassEvm> float

Range: 0.05 to 2 Increment: 0.01 \*RST: 0.5

float

Range: 0.15 to 2.5

Increment: 0.01 \*RST: 0.3

<PGauss>

<RCosine> float

Range: 0.05 to 1.0

Increment: 0.01 \*RST: 0.35

<SPhase> float

Range: 0.15 to 2.5

Increment: 0.01 \*RST: 2

**Example:** BB:DM:FILT:PAR:APCO25 0.2

sets the roll-off factor to 0.2 for filter type APCO25.

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:FILTer:PARameter:COSine:BANDwidth <FiltParm>

Sets the bandwidth of the cosine filter.

Parameters:

<FiltParm> float

Range: 400 to 25E6

Increment: 1E-3

\*RST: 270833.333

**Example:** :BB:DM:FILT:TYPE COS

:BB:DM:FILT:PAR:COS:BAND 7200

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:FILTer:PARameter:APCO25Lsm:GAUSs <FiltParm> [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:FILTer:PARameter:APCO25Lsm:LOWPass <FiltParm>

Sets the cut off frequency for the lowpass/ gauss filter.

Parameters:

<FiltParm> float

Range: 400 to 25E6

Increment: 1E-3

\*RST: 270833.333

**Example:** :BB:DM:FILT:TYPE APCO25Lsm

:BB:DM:FILT:PAR:APCO25L:LOWP 5166.667 :BB:DM:FILT:PAR:APCO25L:GAUS 1700

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:FILTer:TYPE <Type>

The command selects the filter type.

When a standard is selected (:BB:DM:STAN), the filter type and filter parameter are set to the default value.

Parameters:

<Type> RCOSine | COSine | GAUSs | LGAuss | CONE | COF705 |

COEQualizer | COFequalizer | C2K3x | APCO25 | SPHase | RECTangle | USER | PGAuss | LPASs | DIRac | ENPShape |

EWPShape | LTEFilter | LPASSEVM | APCO25Hcpm |

APCO25Lsm

\*RST: GAUSs

**Example:** BB:DM:FILT:TYPE COS

selects the Cosine filter type.

## **Modulation Settings**

| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:AQPSk:ANGLe</hw>                            | 566 |
|--|-----|
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:ASK:DEPTh</hw>                              |     |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:CODing</hw>                                 |     |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:FORMat</hw>                                 |     |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:FSK:DEViation</hw>                          | 568 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:FSK:VARiable:SYMBol<ch>:DEViation</ch></hw> | 568 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:FSK:VARiable:TYPE</hw>                      | 568 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:MDELay</hw>                                 | 569 |
|  |     |

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:AQPSk:ANGLe <Angle>

For AQPSK modulation, sets the angle alpha between the point (0,0) and the I axis.

# Parameters:

<Angle> float

Range: 0 to 180
Increment: 0.01
\*RST: 0
Default unit: Deg

**Example:** BB:DM:FORM AQPS

selects modulation type AQPSK.

BB:DM:AQPS:ANGL 45

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:ASK:DEPTh <Depth>

The command sets the ASK modulation depth when modulation type ASK is selected.

#### Parameters:

<Depth> float

Range: 0 to 100 Increment: 0.1PCT \*RST: 100 Default unit: PCT

**Example:** BB:DM:FORM ASK

selects the ASK modulation type. BB:DM:ASK:DEPT 50 PCT

sets a modulation depth of 50 percent.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:CODing <Coding>

The command selects the modulation coding.

If the modulation type selected (:BB:DM:FORM) is not possible with the coding that has been set, it is automatically set to OFF (:BB:DM:COD OFF).

When a standard is selected (:BB:DM:STAN), the coding is set to the default value.

Parameters:

<Coding> OFF | DIFF | DPHS | DGRay | GRAY | GSM | NADC | PDC | PHS |

TETRa | APCO25 | PWT | TFTS | INMarsat | VDL | EDGE | APCO25FSK | ICO | CDMA2000 | WCDMA | APCO258PSK

**DPHS** 

Phase Difference

**DGRay** 

Difference + Gray
\*RST: INTernal

Example: BB:DM:COD GRAY

selects GRAY coding. This coding is valid for all modulation types.

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:FORMat <Format>

The command selects the modulation type.

If the coding that is set (:BB:DM:COD) is not possible with the modulation type selected, it is automatically set to OFF (:BB:DM:COD OFF).

When a standard is selected (: DM: STAN), the modulation type is set to the default value.

#### Parameters:

<Format> ASK | BPSK | P2DBpsk | QPSK | QPSK45 | OQPSk | P4QPsk |

P4DQpsk | PSK8 | P8D8psk | P8EDge | QAM16 | QAM32 | QAM64 | QAM256 | QAM1024 | MSK | FSK2 | FSK4 | USER | FSKVar | QAM128 | QEDGe | QAM16EDge | QAM32EDge |

**AQPSk** 

\*RST: MSK

Example: BB:DM:FORM QPSK

selects modulation type QPSK.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:FSK:DEViation < Deviation>

The command sets the frequency deviation when FSK modulation is selected. The range of values depends on the symbol rate that is set (see data sheet) and the maximum deviation is 10 MHz.

If the symbol rate that is set exceeds the maximum possible value for the chosen frequency deviation, it is suitably adapted (:BB:DM:SRAT).

#### Parameters:

<Deviation> float

Range: 1 to 40E6 Increment: 0.5 \*RST: 135416.5

**Example:** BB:DM:FORM FSK

selects FSK modulation.
BB:DM:FSK:DEV 10 MHz

sets the frequency deviation to 10 MHz.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:FSK:VARiable:SYMBol<ch>:DEViation < Deviation>

The command sets the deviation of the selected symbol for variable FSK modulation mode.

#### Suffix:

<ch> 0 .. 16

The number of symbols (and therefore the suffix range) depends

on the selected FSK modulation type.

# Parameters:

<Deviation> float

The range of values depends on the symbol rate that is set (see

data sheet) and the maximum deviation is 10 MHz.

Range: -40E6 to 40E6

Increment: 0.5 Default unit: Hz

**Example:** BB:DM:FORM FSKV

selects Variable FSK modulation.
BB: DM: FSK: VAR: TYPE FSK16

selects 16FSK modulation.

BB:DM:FSK:VAR:SYMB0:DEV 135000

sets the frequency deviation of the least significant symbol to 135

kHz.

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:FSK:VARiable:TYPE <Type>

The command selects the modulation type for Variable FSK.

Parameters:

<Type> FSK4 | FSK8 | FSK16

\*RST: FSK4

**Example:** BB:DM:FORM FSKV

selects Variable FSK modulation.
BB:DM:FSK:VAR:TYPE FSK16
selects 16FSK modulation.

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:MDELay?

The command queries the digital modulation delay from the data input to the I/Q output in the case of external modulation.

#### Return values:

<MDelay> float

**Example:** BB:DM:MDEL?

queries the delay in the case of external modulation.

Response: 0.4 ms the delay is 0.4 ms.

Usage: Query only

## **Power Ramp**

| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:PRAMp:ATTenuation</hw>    | 569 |
|--|-----|
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:PRAMp:BBONly[:STATe]</hw> | 570 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:PRAMp:FDELay</hw>         | 570 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:PRAMp:RDELay</hw>         | 570 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:PRAMp:SHAPe</hw>          |     |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:PRAMp:SOURce</hw>         | 571 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:PRAMp:TIME</hw>           |     |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:PRAMp[:STATe]</hw>        |     |
|  |     |

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:PRAMp:ATTenuation < Attenuation>

The command sets the level attenuation for signal ranges that are flagged with level attribute **attenuated** by the LEV\_ATT control signal.

#### Parameters:

<Attenuation> float

Range: 0 to 50 Increment: 0.1 \*RST: 15 Default unit: dB

**Example:** BB:DM:PRAM:ATT 15 dB

sets a level attenuation of 15 dB.

#### [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:PRAMp:BBONly[:STATe] <State>

This command selects power ramping in the baseband only or mixed power ramping in the baseband and the RF section.

The **ON** setting is mandatory if, with power ramping active, only the baseband signal is output (I/Q outputs)

Only then can a signal with a defined, predictable level be output.

#### Parameters:

<State> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: OFF

**Example:** BB:DM:PRAM:BBON ON

selects power ramping in the baseband only.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:PRAMp:FDELay <FDelay>

The command sets the delay in the falling edge. A positive value gives rise to a delay and a negative value causes an advance. The setting is expressed in symbols.

## Parameters:

<FDelay> float

Range: -4 to 4 Increment: 0.01 \*RST: 0 Default unit: symbol

**Example:** BB:DM:PRAM:FDEL 1

The falling edge starts 1 symbol later.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:PRAMp:RDELay <RDelay>

The command sets the delay in the rising edge. A positive value gives rise to a delay and a negative value causes an advance. The setting is expressed in symbols.

# Parameters:

<RDelay> float

Range: -4 to 4 Increment: 0.01 \*RST: 0 Default unit: symbol

**Example:** BB:DM:PRAM:RDEL 1

The rising edge starts 1 symbol later.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:PRAMp:SHAPe <Shape>

The command sets the edge shape of the ramp envelope.

Parameters:

<Shape> LINear | COSine

\*RST: COSine

**Example:** BB:DM:PRAM:SHAP COS

selects a cosine-shaped rise and fall for the transmitted power

edge.

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:PRAMp:SOURce <Source>

The command sets the source for the power ramp control signals.

Parameters:

<Source> INTernal

**INTernal** 

The internal control signals LEV\_ATT and BURST are used. Control signals are stored in dedicated lists. When remote control is in use, the list to be used is defined, selected and enabled with the

aid of SOURce:BB:DM:CLISt:... commands.

\*RST: INTernal

Example: BB:DM:PRAM:SOUR INT

enables the use of internal control signals for power ramp control.

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:PRAMp:TIME <Time>

The command sets the power ramping rise time and fall time for a burst.

Parameters:

<Time> float

Range: 0.25 to 16 Increment: 0.01 \*RST: 1 Default unit: symbol

**Example:** BB:DM:PRAM:TIME 2

sets a time of 2 symbols for the edges to rise and fall.

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:PRAMp[:STATe] <State>

The command enables or disables power ramping.

Parameters:

<State> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: 0

**Example:** BB:DM:PRAM:STAT ON

switches power ramping on.

#### **DM Lists**

The following section brings together the commands for defining and managing the data lists and control lists for digital modulation.

Lists are stored as files with specific file extensions in a user-definable directory (see table 7-2). The directory which applies to the commands that follow is defined using the command MMEMory: CDIR. Files in this directory can be accessed by quoting the file name. The path and extension are not needed.

Table 7-2: Overview of the used list types

| List type      | Content                             | File extension |
|----------------|-------------------------------------|----------------|
| Data List      | Digital modulation data             | *.dm_iqd       |
| Control List   | Digital modulation control data     | *.dm_iqc       |
| User Standards | User settings of digital modulation | *.dm_stu       |
| Usr Filter     | Usr filter settings                 | *.vaf          |
| User Mapping   | User mapping settings               | *.vam          |

It is not possible to use other file extensions with the commands. Attempting to do so will cause an error message. If the file extension is changed in any other way (e.g. by directly accessing the file system) the lists are no longer recognized and therefore invalid.



Since the format of control lists refer to the input, the CLISt commands always create a binary control list, even if ASCII format is specified. Note therefore, if you want to create a \*.wv file with R&S WinIQSIM2 using a control list, you have to use the input control list in ASCII format. See the example in chapter 7.3.3, "Creating an ASCII C-List Manually", on page 455 for information on how to create a C-list in ASCII format.

## **List of Commands**

| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:CLISt:CATalog</hw>     | 573 |
|---|-----|
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:DLISt:CATalog</hw>     |     |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:FLISt:CATalog</hw>     |     |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:MLISt:CATalog</hw>     | 573 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:CLISt:FREE</hw>        | 573 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:DLISt:FREE</hw>        | 573 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:FLISt:FREE</hw>        | 573 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:MLISt:FREE</hw>        | 573 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:CLISt:COPY</hw>        | 574 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:DLISt:COPY</hw>        | 574 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:CLISt:TAG</hw>         | 574 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:DLISt:TAG</hw>         | 574 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:CLISt:DATA</hw>        | 575 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:CLISt:DELete</hw>      | 576 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:CLISt:POINts</hw>      | 576 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:CLISt:SELect</hw>      | 576 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:DLISt:DATA</hw>        | 577 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:DLISt:DATA:APPend</hw> | 577 |

| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:DLISt:DELete</hw>           | 578 |
|--|-----|
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:DLISt:POINts</hw>           |     |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:DLISt:SELect</hw>           |     |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:FLISt:DELete</hw>           | 579 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:FLISt:POINts</hw>           | 579 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:FLISt:SELect</hw>           | 579 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:MLISt:DELete</hw>           | 580 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:MLISt:POINts</hw>           | 580 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:MLISt:SELect</hw>           | 581 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:SETTing:CATalog</hw>        | 581 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:SETTing:DELete</hw>         | 581 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:SETTing:LOAD</hw>           | 582 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:SETTing:STORe</hw>          | 582 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:SETTing:STORe:FAST</hw>     | 582 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:STANdard:ULISt:CATalog</hw> | 582 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:STANdard:ULISt:DELete</hw>  | 583 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:STANdard:ULISt:LOAD</hw>    | 583 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:DM:STANdard:ULISt:STORe</hw>   | 583 |
|  |     |

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:CLISt:CATalog? [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:DLISt:CATalog? [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:FLISt:CATalog? [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:MLISt:CATalog?

Queries the user mapping lists present in the default directory. The default directory is set using command MMEM: CDIRectory. When the names of the files are returned they are separated by commas.

The command only reads out files with the \*.vam extension (see also table 7-2).

## Return values:

<Catalog> string

**Example:** BB:DM:FORM USER

selects the User modulation type.

MMEM:CDIR '/var/smbv/user/mapping\_List' sets the default directory for the user mapping lists.

BB:DM:MLIS:CAT?

queries the user mapping lists in the directory.

Usage: Query only

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:CLISt:FREE? [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:DLISt:FREE? [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:FLISt:FREE? [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:MLISt:FREE?

Queries the user modulation mapping list free memory.

Return values:

<Free> integer

Range: 0 to INT\_MAX

Increment: 1 \*RST: 0

**Example:** BB:DM:FORM USER

selects the User modulation type.

BB: DM: FLIS: FREE? queries the free memory.

Usage: Query only

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:CLISt:COPY <Filename> [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:DLISt:COPY <Filename>

The command copies the selected data list into the data list specified by st name>. If a data list with the specified name already exists, it is overwritten. If it does not yet exist, it is created.

The source file has to be available in the default directory. The default directory is set using command MMEM: CDIRectory. A path can be specified, in which case the source file is copied into the file list name> in the specified directory. The file extension may be omitted.

Only files with the file extension \*.dm iqc will be copied (see also table 7-2).

**Setting parameters:** 

<Filename> string

Example: BB:DM:DLIS 'd\_list1'

selects data list d\_list1.
BB:DM:DLIS:COPY 'd list2'

copies the content of data list d\_list1 into data list d\_list2.

Any existing content in data list d list2 is overwritten.

Usage: Setting only

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:CLISt:TAG? [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:DLISt:TAG?

The command queries the content of the specified tag in the selected file.

Return values:

<Tag> <control list>,<tag name>

**Example:** BB:DM:DLIS:TAG 'D\_list1','date'

queries the Date tag in control list D list1.

Response:10.10.2008

the data list was created on 10.10.2008.

Usage: Query only

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:CLISt:DATA < Data>

The command sends the data to the currently selected control list. If the list already contains data, it is overwritten. This command only writes data into the data section of the file.

The values for the control signals are sent, arranged in a 8-bit value as follows:

| Signal   | Order | Decimal value of bits |
|----------|-------|-----------------------|
| Marker 1 | LSBit | 1                     |
| Marker 2 |       | 2                     |
| Burst =  | LSBit | 16                    |
| LevAtt1  | LSBit | 32                    |
| CWMod    | LSBit | 64                    |
| Нор      | MSBit | 128                   |

The data can also be sent as a binary block, each binary block being a 2-byte value in which the 16 bits represent the binary values (16-bit unsigned integer, 2 bytes, LSByte first). When binary data transmission is in use, com-

mand: SYSTem: COMMunicate: GPIB: LTERminator EOI should be used to set the termination character mode to 'EOI control data message only' so that a random LF in the data sequence is not interpreted as End, thereby prematurely terminating the data transmission. The command ...LTER STANdard resets the mode.

For query purposes, the command: FORMat ASCii | PACKed can be used to switch between the formats. The byte sequence is defined in the IEC bus standard as 'most significant byte first'

**Note:** C-Lists are created in binary format. However, if you need the C-List in ASCII format, e.g. for creating a waveform file with R&S WinIQSIM2, see the example in chapter 7.3.3, "Creating an ASCII C-List Manually", on page 455.

#### Setting parameters:

<Data> string

Example: BB:DM:CLIS:SEL 'c list1'

selects the control list.

BB:DM:CLIS:DATA 0,0,0,0,8,8,8,0,0,0,0...

enters the control values in list c\_list1. In the example, only ramps

for marker 4 are set.

**Usage:** Setting only

<sup>\*</sup>RST has no effect on data lists. This command is without query.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:CLISt:DELete <Filename>

The command deletes the specified control list from the default directory. The default directory is set using command MMEM:CDIRectory. A path can also be specified, in which case the files in the specified directory are deleted. The file extension may be omitted. Only files with the file extension \*.dm iqc will be deleted.

# **Setting parameters:**

<Filename> list name>

**Example:** BB:DM:CLIS:DEL 'c list3'

deletes control list c\_list3.

Usage: Setting only

#### [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:CLISt:POINts?

The command queries the number of lines (2 bytes) in the currently selected list.

#### Return values:

<Points> integer

Range: 0 to INT\_MAX

Increment: 1 \*RST: 0

**Example:** BB:DM:CLIS:SEL "c list1"

selects control list c\_list1.
BB:DM:CLIS:POIN?

queries the number of lines in the control list.

Response: 20

the control list consists of 20 lines.

Usage: Query only

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:CLISt:SELect <Filename>

The command selects the control list in the default directory. The default directory is set using command MMEM:CDIRectory. A path can also be specified, in which case the files in the specified directory are selected. If a control list with the specified name does not yet exist, it is created. The file extension may be omitted. Only files with the file extension \*.dm iqc will be selected or created.

#### Parameters:

<Filename> st name>

**Example:** BB:DM:CLIS:SEL 'c list1'

selects control list c list1.

#### [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:DLISt:DATA <Data>

The **Setting** command sends the bit data to the data list selected with the aid of :BB: DM: DLISt: SELect. Any existing content in the data list is overwritten. This command only writes data into the data section of the file.

This command sends the bit data to the selected data list, which is overwritten. The data can also be sent as block data in binary or PACKed format, each byte being interpreted as 8 data bits. In this case, command :SYSTem:COMMunicate:GPIB:LTERminator EOI should be used to set the termination character mode to 'EOI control data message only' so that a random LF in the data sequence is not interpreted as End, thereby prematurely terminating the data transmission. The command ...LTER STAN resets the mode.

The **query** reads out the data part of the data list. If the query is expanded by using the two parameters <start> and <length>, the list is read out in smaller sections. Start and Length are expressed in bits. Without the parameters the total length is always read out starting from address 1. The command :FORMat ASCii | PACKed can be used to select the data format. The byte sequence is defined in the IEC bus standard (read/write most significant byte first). \*RST has no effect on data lists.

#### Parameters:

<Data> integer

Example: BB:DM:DLIS:SEL 'dlist1'

selects data list dlist1. If the file does not yet exist, it is created.

BB:DM:DLIS:DATA 1,1,1,0,0,0,1,1,0,1...

sends the specified data to file dlist1. Any data already present is

overwritten.

**Example:** BB:DM:DLIS:SEL 'dlist1'

selects data list dlist1.

FORM ASCI

selects ASCII data transmission format. BB:DM:DLIS:DATA? 2048,1024

queries the data starting at bit 2048 for 1024 bits.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:DLISt:DATA:APPend <Bits>

The command appends the bit data onto the end of the existing data in the selected data list. This means that existing content in the data list is not overwritten. By this means very long data lists can be built up piecemeal. The data format is as specified in command SOURCe: BB: DM: DLISt: DATA.

The command cannot be used with an empty data list, such as one that has just been created, for example. In this case the command SOURCE: BB: DM: DLISt: DATA must first be used to enter modulation data in the list.

\*RST has no effect on data lists.

#### Setting parameters:

<Bits> 0 | 1 {,0 | 1 } | block data

Example: BB:DM:DLIS:SEL ' d\_list2'

selects data list d list2.

FORM ASC

selects ASCII data transmission format.

BB:DM:DLIS:DATA:APP 1,1,1,0,0,0,1,1,0,1...

adds the specified numeric data to the existing data in data list

 $d_list2.$ 

**Usage:** Setting only

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:DLISt:DELete <Filename>

The command deletes the specified data list. from the default directory. The default directory is set using command MMEM: CDIRectory. A path can also be specified, in which case the files in the specified directory are deleted. The file extension may be omitted. Only files with the file extension \*.dm iqd will be deleted.

## **Setting parameters:**

<Filename> string

**Example:** BB:DM:DLIS:DEL ' d\_list2'

deletes data list d\_list2.

Usage: Setting only

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:DLISt:POINts <Points>

The command defines the number of bits in the selected data list to be utilized. When a list is being filled with block data, this data is only ever sent in multiples of 8 bits. However the exact number of bits to be exploited can be set to a different figure. The superfluous bits in the list are then ignored.

#### Parameters:

<Points> integer

Range: 0 to INT\_MAX

Increment: 1 \*RST: 0

**Example:** BB:DM:DLIS:POIN 234

defines the number of bits in the data list to be utilized as 234 bits. If the list was filled with block data, at least the last 6 bits will be

ignored.

#### [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:DLISt:SELect <Select>

The command selects the data list in the default directory. The default directory is set using command MMEM:CDIRectory. A path can also be specified, in which case the files in the specified directory are selected. If a data list with the specified name does not yet exist, it is created. The file extension may be omitted. Only files with the file extension \*.dm iqd will be selected or created.

The modulation data in this data list is used when the data source is selected using the command SOURce:BB:DM:SOURce DLISt.

**Setting parameters:** 

<Select> st name>

**Example:** BB:DM:DLIS:SEL 'd list2'

selects data list d list2.

**Usage:** Setting only

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:FLISt:DELete <Filename>

Deletes the secified user filter file. The default directory is set using command MMEM: CDIRectory. A path can also be specified, in which case the files in the specified directory are read. The file extension may be omitted. Only files with the file extension \*.vaf\*.vaf will be deleted.

#### Setting parameters:

<Filename> string

**Example:** BB:DM:FILT:TYPE USER

selects the User filter type.

MMEM:CDIR '/var/smbv/user/Filter\_List'
sets the default directory for the user-defined filters.

BB:DM:FLIS:DEL user filter3

deletes the user-defined filter.

Usage: Setting only

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:FLISt:POINts?

Queries the user filter list length.

Return values:

<Points> integer

Range: 0 to INT\_MAX

Increment: 1 \*RST: 0

**Example:** BB:DM:FILT:TYPE USER

selects the User filter type.
BB: DM: FLIS: POIN?
queries the list length.

Usage: Query only

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:FLISt:SELect <Filename>

The command selects the user-defined filter (\*.vaf).

The directory applicable to the following command is defined with the command MMEM: CDIRectory. To access the files in this directory, only the file name is required, without the path and the file extension.

Parameters:

<Filename> string

**Example:** BB:DM:FILT:TYPE USER

selects the User filter type.

MMEM:CDIR '/var/smbv/user/Filter\_List' sets the default directory for the user-defined filters.

BB:DM:FLIS:SEL user filter3

selects the user-defined filter.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:MLISt:DELete <Filename>

Deletes the secified user mapping file. The default directory is set using command MMEM: CDIRectory. A path can also be specified, in which case the files in the specified directory are read. The file extension may be omitted. Only files with the file extension \*.vam will be deleted.

# **Setting parameters:**

<Filename> string

**Example:** BB:DM:FORM USER

selects the User modulation type.

MMEM:CDIR '/var/smbv/user/mapping\_List' sets the default directory for the user mapping lists.

BB:DM:MLIS:DEL user\_mapping3

deletes the user mapping list.

**Usage:** Setting only

#### [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:MLISt:POINts?

Queries the user modulation mapping list length.

#### Return values:

<Points> integer

Range: 0 to INT\_MAX

Increment: 1 \*RST: 0

**Example:** BB:DM:FORM USER

selects the User modulation type.

BB: DM: MLIS: POIN? queries the list length.

Usage: Query only

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:MLISt:SELect <Filename>

The command selects the user mapping list in the default directory. The default directory is set using command MMEM: CDIRectory. A path can also be specified, in which case the files in the specified directory are selected. If a user mapping list with the specified name does not yet exist, it is created. The file extension may be omitted. Only files with the file extension \*.vam will be selected or created.

Parameters:

<Filename> string

Example: BB:DM:MLIS:SEL 'c list1'

selects the user mapping list c list1.

#### [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:SETTing:CATalog?

This command reads out the files with Custom Digital Modulation settings in the default directory. The default directory is set using command MMEM: CDIRectory. Only files with the file extension \*.dm will be listed.

Return values:

<Catalog> string

**Example:** MMEM:CDIR '/var/smbv/user/dig\_mod'

sets the default directory.
BB:DM:SETT:CAT?

reads out all the files with Custom Digital Modulation settings in

the default directory. Response: 'DM 1'

the file DM 1 with Custom Digital Modulation settings is available.

Usage: Query only

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:SETTing:DELete <Filename>

This command deletes the selected file with Custom Digital Modulation settings. The directory is set using command MMEM: CDIRectory. A path can also be specified, in which case the files in the specified directory are read. The file extension may be omitted. Only files with the file extension \*.dm will be deleted.

## **Setting parameters:**

<Filename> string

Example: BB:DM:STAN:ULIS:DEL 'DM 1'

deletes file DM 1.

Usage: Setting only

#### [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:SETTing:LOAD <Filename>

This command loads the selected file with Custom Digital Modulation settings. The directory is set using command MMEM:CDIRectory. A path can also be specified, in which case the files in the specified directory are read. The file extension may be omitted. Only files with the file extension \*.dm will be loaded.

#### **Setting parameters:**

<Filename> string

Example: BB:DM:STAN:ULIS:LOAD 'DM 1'

loads file DM 1.

Usage: Setting only

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:SETTing:STORe <Filename>

This command stores the current Custom Digital Modulation settings into the selected file. The directory is set using command MMEM: CDIRectory. A path can also be specified, in which case the files in the specified directory are read. Only the file name has to be entered. User Standards are stored as files with the specific file extensions \*.dm.

# **Setting parameters:**

<Filename> string

**Example:** BB:DM:STAN:ULIS:STOR 'DM QAM'

stores the current Custom Digital Modulation settings into file

DM\_QAM.

Usage: Setting only

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:SETTing:STORe:FAST <Fast>

Determines whether the instrument performs an absolute or a differential storing of the settings.

Enable this function to accelerate the saving process by saving only the settings with values different to the default ones.

**Note:** This function is not affected by the "Preset" function.

Parameters:

<Fast> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: 1

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:STANdard:ULISt:CATalog?

This command reads out the files with Digital Standard settings in the default directory. The default directory is set using command MMEM: CDIRectory. Only files with the file extension \*.dm stu will be listed.

#### Return values:

<Catalog> string

**Example:** MMEM:CDIR '/var/smbv/user/dig mod'

sets the default directory.
BB:DM:STAN:ULIS:CAT?

reads out all the files with Digital Standard settings in the default

directory.

Response: 'DM QAM'

the file DM QAM with Digital Standard settings is available.

Usage: Query only

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:STANdard:ULISt:DELete <Filename>

This command deletes the selected file with Digital Standard settings. The directory is set using command MMEM: CDIRectory. A path can also be specified, in which case the files in the specified directory are read. The file extension may be omitted. Only files with the file extension \*.dm stu will be deleted.

## **Setting parameters:**

<Filename> string

**Example:** BB:DM:STAN:ULIS:DEL 'DM QAM'

deletes file 'DM\_QAM'.

Usage: Setting only

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:STANdard:ULISt:LOAD <Filename>

This command loads the selected file with Digital Standard settings. The directory is set using command MMEM: CDIRectory. A path can also be specified, in which case the files in the specified directory are read. The file extension may be omitted. Only files with the file extension \*.dm stu will be loaded.

## **Setting parameters:**

<Filename> string

**Example:** BB:DM:STAN:ULIS:LOAD 'DM\_QAM'

loads file 'DM\_QAM'.

**Usage:** Setting only

#### [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:DM:STANdard:ULISt:STORe <Filename>

This command stores the current Digital Standard settings into the selected file. The directory is set using command MMEM: CDIRectory. A path can also be specified, in which case the files in the specified directory are read. Only the file name has to be entered. User Standards are stored as files with the specific file extensions \*.dm stu.

# **Setting parameters:**

<Filename> string

Example: BB:DM:STAN:ULIS:STOR 'DM QAM'

stores the current Digital Standard settings into file 'DM\_QAM'.

**Usage:** Setting only

## 7.14.3.4 SOURce:BB:GRAPhics Subsystem

This subsystem contains the commands used to setup the graphical display.

| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:GRAPhics:MODE</hw>           |
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| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:GRAPhics:SRATe:MODE</hw>     |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:GRAPhics:SRATe:USER</hw>     |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:GRAPhics:STATe</hw>          |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:GRAPhics:TRIGger:SOURce</hw> |

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:GRAPhics:MODE < Mode>

Selects the graphical signal display.

Parameters:

<Mode> IQ | VECTor | CCDF | PSPectrum | CONStellation | EYEI |

**EYEQ** 

\*RST: IQ

**Example:** BB:GRAP:MODE VECT

selects vector diagram.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:GRAPhics:SMARt:STATe <State>

Activates/deactivates the "smart graphics".

Parameters:

<State> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: 0

**Example:** BB:GRAP:SMAR:STAT ON

Activates smart graphics.

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:GRAPhics:SRATe:MODE <Mode>

Sets how the time resolution of the signal is determined. Maximum resolution corresponds to a display covering the entire signal bandwidth. The higher the resolution is, the shorter the length of the displayed signal segment will be for the specified recording depth.

Parameters:

<Mode> AUTO | FULL | USER

**AUTO** 

The resolution is set to an optimum value on the basis of the signal

and display type.

FULL

The resolution is set such that the display covers the entire signal

bandwidth.

**USER** 

with the command SOUR: BB: GRAP: SRAT: USER, the user can determine the resolution by setting the signal bandwidth for which

the display is to be generated

\*RST: AUTO

**Example:** BB:GRAP:SRAT:MODE FULL

sets the sample rate mode.

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:GRAPhics:SRATe:USER <User>

(Enabled for BB: GRAPH: SRAT: MODE USER)

Selects the signal bandwidth for which the display is to be generated. The setting range moves between the minimum and maximum bandwidth which is possible for the selected display. The selection is made graphically by moving the pointer.

#### Parameters:

<User> float

Range: 0.1 to 100

Increment: 0.1
\*RST: 10
Default unit: PCT

**Example:** BB:GRAP:SRAT:MODE USER

sets the sample rate mode.

**Example:** BB:GRAP:SRAT:USER 20

sets the sample rate factor.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:GRAPhics:STATe <State>

Activates/deactivates the selected graphical display.

Parameters:

<State> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: 0

**Example:** BB:GRAP:STAT ON

activates the graphical graphics.

#### [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:GRAPhics:TRIGger:SOURce <Source>

Defines the trigger for the starting time of the graphic recording.

#### Parameters:

<Source> SOFTware | MARKer

#### **SOFTware**

Recording of signals is started automatically in specified intervals. This asynchronous method is appropriate when a representative display of the complete signal is desired, as recording starts in a random time reference to the signal.

#### **MARKer**

The starting point for recording signals is determined by "Marker 1" in the menu of the active standard.

This synchronous method is appropriate when specific signal segments are to be shown in greater detail. With periodic signals, a static image is obtained by selecting a period length of "Marker 1" that is equal to the signal period.

The displayed signal segment can be shifted as needed by entering a "Marker Delay" in the "Trigger/Marker" menu of the active

standard.

\*RST: SOFTware

**Example:** BB:GRAP:TRIG:SOUR MARK

sets the trigger source.

#### 7.14.3.5 SOURce:BB:IMPairment Subsystem

This subsystem contains the commands for the digital I/Q impairments.

Included in this section is also the description of command

SOURce: BB: IQOutput: SOURce that determined the source for the I/Q output connectors.

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| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:IMPairment:IQRatio</hw>            |     |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:IMPairment:LEAKage:I</hw>          |     |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:IMPairment:LEAKage:Q</hw>          |     |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:IMPairment:OPTimization:MODE</hw>  | 588 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:IMPairment:OPTimization:STATe</hw> |     |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:IMPairment:QUADrature[:ANGLe]</hw> | 588 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:IMPairment:SKEW</hw>               | 589 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:IMPairment:STATe</hw>              |     |
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#### [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:IMPairment:DELay <Delay>

Sets the time delay of both I and Q vectors relative to the selected trigger and marker or relative to the other instrument(s) working in the master-slave synchronous mode (see section chapter 5.8.2.4, "Synchronous Signal Generation", on page 277).

A positive value means that the I and Q vectors delay relative to the marker/trigger or to the other instrument and vice versa.

Parameters:

<Delay> float

Range: -500E-9 to 500E-9

Increment: 1E-12 \*RST: 0

Example: BB:IMP:DEL 32.0E-9

sets the I/Q delay

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:IMPairment:IQRatio < IqRatio>

This command sets the ratio of I modulation to Q modulation (amplification "imbalance"). The input may be either in dB or %. The resolution is 0.001 dB, an input in percent is rounded to the closest valid value in dB. A query returns the value in dB.

Parameters:

<ld><lqRatio> float

Range: -1 to 1 Increment: 1E-4 \*RST: 0

**Example:** BB:IMP:IQR 3 PCT

sets the imbalance to 3 percent.

BB: IMP: IQR?

queries the imbalance.

Response: 0.259000

the value is returned in dB

BB:IMP:IQR 1

sets the imbalance to 1 dB.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:IMPairment:LEAKage:I <|>

This command sets the carrier leakage amplitude for the I-signal component.

Parameters:

<I> float

Range: -10 to 10 Increment: 0.01 \*RST: 0 Default unit: PCT

**Example:** BB:IMP:LEAK:I 3 PCT

sets the leakage for the I-component to 3 percent.

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:IMPairment:LEAKage:Q <Q>

This command sets the carrier leakage amplitude for the Q-signal component.

Parameters:

<Q> float

Range: -10 to 10 Increment: 0.01 \*RST: 0 Default unit: PCT

**Example:** BB:IMP:LEAK:Q 3 PCT

sets the leakage for the Q-component to 3 percent.

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:IMPairment:OPTimization:MODE < Mode>

This command sets the optimization mode.

Parameters:

<Mode> FAST | QHIGh

**FAST** 

Optimization is reached by compensation for I/Q skew.

QHIGh

Optimization is reached by compensation for I/Q skew and fre-

quency response correction.

\*RST: FAST

**Example:** BB:IMP:OPT:MODE FAST

sets the optimization mode Fast.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:IMPairment:OPTimization:STATe <State>

This command activates and deactivates internal compensation of signal distortions by the I/Q modulator.

Parameters:

<State> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: OFF

**Example:** BB:IMP:OPT:STAT ON

activates internal compensation of signal distortions.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:IMPairment:QUADrature[:ANGLe] <Angle>

This command sets the quadrature offset for the digital I/Q signal.

Parameters:

<Angle> float

Range: -10 to 10 Increment: 0.01 \*RST: 0 Default unit: DEG

Example: BB:IMP:QUAD:ANGL -5DEG

sets the quadrature offset to -5 degrees.

#### [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:IMPairment:SKEW <Skew>

Sets the time offset between the I and Q vectors.

In an I/Q modulator without I/Q skew, the I and Q vectors are aligned to the marker. With an I/Q skew, both vectors are shifted relative to the marker so that the offset of each of the vectors to the marker will be the half of the I/Q skew value.

A positive I/Q skew means that the Q vector delays relative to the I vector and vice versa.

#### Parameters:

<Skew> float

Range: -500E-9 to 500E-9

Increment: 1E-12 \*RST: 0

Example: BB:IMP:SKEW 410.0E-9

sets the I/Q skew.

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:IMPairment:STATe <State>

The command activates (ON) and deactivates (OFF) the three impairment or correction values LEAKage, QUADrature and IQRatio for the digital baseband signal prior to input into the I/Q modulator.

#### Parameters:

<State> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: 0

**Example:** BB:IMP:STAT OFF

deactivates digital impairment.

## 7.14.3.6 SOURce:BB:MCCW Subsystem

This subsystem contains the commands for setting the Multi Carrier CW signals.

#### **Suffixes**

#### SOURce<hw>

For one-path instruments, the keyword SOURce is optional and can be omitted.

The numeric suffix to SOURce distinguishes between signal generation for path A and path B in the case of two-path instruments:

SOURce[1] = path A

The keyword SOURce is optional and can be omitted

SOURce2 = path B

The keyword SOURce is mandatory, i.e. the command must contain the keyword with suffix 2.

#### OUTPut<ch>

The numeric suffix to OUTPut distinguishes between the available markers.

Only two markers are available for the R&S SMBV, i.e. the allowed values for the suffix are 1 or 2.

## **General Settings and Carrier Setup Settings**

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| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:MCCW:PRESet</hw>                     | .590 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:MCCW:CARRier:COUNt</hw>              | .591 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:MCCW:CARRier:LIST:PHASe</hw>         | .591 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:MCCW:CARRier:LIST:POWer</hw>         | .592 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:MCCW:CARRier:LIST:STATe</hw>         | .592 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:MCCW:CARRier:PHASe</hw>              | .593 |
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| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:MCCW:CARRier:SPACing</hw>            | .593 |
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| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:MCCW:CLOCk</hw>                      | .595 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:MCCW:EDIT:CARRier:EXECute</hw>       | .596 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:MCCW:EDIT:CARRier:PHASe:STEP</hw>    | .596 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:MCCW:EDIT:CARRier:PHASe[:STARt]</hw> | .597 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:MCCW:EDIT:CARRier:POWer:STEP</hw>    | .597 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:MCCW:EDIT:CARRier:POWer[:STARt]</hw> | .597 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:MCCW:EDIT:CARRier:STARt</hw>         | .598 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:MCCW:EDIT:CARRier:STATe</hw>         | .598 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:MCCW:EDIT:CARRier:STOP</hw>          | .598 |
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# [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:STATe <State>

The command turns on the Multi Carrier CW signal. Any other digital standards or digital modulation that may be in the ON state will be automatically turned OFF.

#### Parameters:

<State> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: OFF

**Example:** BB:MCCW:STAT ON

switches on generation of the Multi Carrier CW signal.

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:PRESet

The command sets all multi carrier signal parameters to their default values.

**Example:** BB:MCCW:PRESet

resets the Multi Carrier settings to default values.

Usage: Event

#### [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:CARRier:COUNt <Count>

The command sets the number of carriers in the Multi Carrier CW signal. The total bandwidth is calculated as (Number of carriers - 1) \* Carrier spacing and must not exceed the system bandwidth of the instrument (see data sheet).

The carrier spacing (:BB:MCCW:CARRier:SPACing) is reduced if the total bandwidth is not respected when entering the number of carriers.

The number of carriers entered therefore defines the maximum carrier spacing (:BB:MCCW:CARRier:SPACing).

Parameters:

<Count> integer

Range: 1 to 8192

\*RST: 64

Example: BB:MCCW:CARR:COUN 10

sets 10 CW carriers for the multi carrier signal.

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:CARRier:LIST:PHASe <Phas0[,Phas1..]>]
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:CARRier:LIST:PHASe? [, <Start>[, <Count>]]

The command sets the start phase of the carrier with the aid of a value list. The first value in the list is assigned to the carrier with index 0, the second value to the carrier with index 1, etc. The maximum length corresponds to the maximum number of multi carriers. There is no need to enter all the values every time. Values not set by the value list are set with the default values provided they have already been explicitly set by a previous command. If this is the case, the values continue to apply until overwritten.

#### Setting parameters:

<Phas0[,Phas1..]> float

Range: 0 to 360 Increment: 0.01 \*RST: 0 Default unit: DEG

**Query parameters:** 

<Start> integer

Range: 0 to lastCarrier

<Count> integer

Range: 1 to lastCarrier

Return values:

<Phas[,Phas..]> float

**Example:** BB:MCCW:CARR:LIST:PHAS 1,20,30,40,50,60

sets a start phase for carriers 0, 1, 2, 3 and 4.

BB:MCCW:CARR:LIST:PHAS? 2,3 queries the phase of carrier 1, 2 and 3.

Response: 20, 30, 40

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:CARRier:LIST:POWer <Pow0[,Pow1..]>]
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:CARRier:LIST:POWer? <Start>, <Count>

The command sets the power of the carrier with the aid of a value list. The first value in the list is assigned to the carrier with index 0, the second value to the carrier with index 1, etc. The maximum length corresponds to the maximum number of multi carriers. There is no need to enter all the values every time. Values not set by the value list are set with the default values provided they have already been explicitly set by a previous command. If this is the case, the values continue to apply until overwritten.

Setting parameters:

<Pow0[,Pow1..]> float

Increment: 0.01 \*RST: 0 dB

**Query parameters:** 

<Start> integer

Range: 0 to lastCarrier

<Count> integer

Range: 1 to lastCarrier

Return values:

<Pow[,Pow..]> float

Example: BB:MCCW:CARR:LIST:POW -65 dB, -30 dB, -50

dB,...

sets the power of carrier 0 to -65 dB, carrier 1 to -30 dB and so on.

BB:MCCW:CARR:LIST:POW? 2,3 queries the power of carrier 1 and 2.

**Response**: -30, -50

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:CARRier:LIST:STATe <Stat0[,Stat1..]>]
[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:CARRier:LIST:STATe? <Start>, <Count>

The command switches the carrier on or off with the aid of a value list. The first value in the list is assigned to the carrier with index 0, the second value to the carrier with index 1, etc. The maximum length corresponds to the maximum number of multi carriers. There is no need to enter all the values every time. Values not set by the value list are set with the default values provided they have already been explicitly set by a previous command. If this is the case, the values continue to apply until overwritten.

Setting parameters:

<Stat0[,Stat1..]> ON | OFF[,ON | OFF,...]

\*RST: ON

**Query parameters:** 

<Start> integer

Range: 0 to lastCarrier

<Count> integer

Range: 1 to lastCarrier

Return values:

<State[,State..]> select

Example: BB:MCCW:CARR:LIST:STAT 1,0,1,1,0,0....

switches carrier 0 on, carrier 1 off, etc.

BB:MCCW:CARR:LIST:STAT? 2, 4

queries the states of carrier 2, 3, 4 and 5.

**Response**: 0,1,1,0

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:CARRier:PHASe <Phase>

The command sets the start phase of the selected carrier.

The phase settings are only valid if optimization of the crest factor is disabled (:SOURce:BB:MCCW:CFACtor:MODE OFF).

Parameters:

<Phase> float

Sets the start phase of the selected carrier.

Range: 0 to 359.99

Increment: 0.01 \*RST: 0 Default unit: DEG

Example: BB:MCCW:CARR:PHAS 15,90

sets a start phase of 90 DEG for carrier 15.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:CARRier:POWer < Power>

The command sets the power of the selected carrier.

Parameters:

<Power> float

Sets the power of the selected carrier.

Range: -80 to 0 Increment: 0.01 \*RST: 0

Example: BB:MCCW:CARR:POW 15, -50 dB

sets the power of carrier 15 to -50 dB.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:CARRier:SPACing <Spacing>

The command sets the carrier spacing.

The carriers are generated symmetrically around the center carrier. The total bandwidth is calculated as ("Number of carriers" - 1) \* "Carrier spacing "and must not exceed the system bandwidth of the instrument (see data sheet).

The maximum carrier spacing that can be set is dependent on the chosen number of carriers

The maximum carrier spacing is automatically reduced so that the maximum total bandwidth is not exceeded on entering the number of carriers

(:BB:MCCW:CARRier:COUNt).

Parameters:

<Spacing> float

Range: 0 to 120E6

Increment: 0.01 \*RST: 10E3

**Example:** BB:MCCW:CARR:SPAC 10 MHz

sets a carrier spacing of 10 MHz.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:CARRier:STATe <State>

The command switches the selected carrier on or off.

The counting in remote control differs from the numbers in the carrier table. Index 0 corresponds to number 1 (first line) in the table. Therefore, switching the state of the channel via remote control always switches the state of <channel index> + 1 in the table.

Parameters:

<State> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: 0

Example: BB:MCCW:CARR:STAT 15, ON

switches carrier 16 on.

#### [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:CFACtor < CFactor>

The command sets the desired crest factor for the multi carrier signal on selection of the command SOUR: BB: MCCW: CFAC: MODE SLOW.

Parameters:

<CFactor> float

Range: 0 to 30 Increment: 0.01 \*RST: 3

**Example:** BB:MCCW:CFAC:MODE SLOW

sets the Target Crest optimization mode.

BB:MCCW:CFAC 10 dB

sets the desired crest factor to 10 dB.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:CFACtor:ACTual?

Queries the actual Crest Factor for BB: MCCW: CFAC: MODE SLOW.

Return values:

<Actual> float

Range: 0 to 100 Increment: 0.01 \*RST: 3

**Example:** SOUR:BB:MCCW:CFAC:MODE SLOW

BB:MCCW:CFAC:ACT?

Response: 3

Usage: Query only

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:CFACtor:MODE < Mode>

The command sets the mode by which automatic settings will minimize the crest factor or hold it at a chosen value.

#### Parameters:

<Mode> OFF | CHIRp | SLOW

#### **OFF**

Crest factor optimization is switched off. The carrier PHASE setting has an effect.

#### **CHIRp**

The crest factor is very rapidly optimized to < 3 dB for multi carrier signals so that all carriers are switched on and have the same amplitude. The computation time is independent of the number of carriers. In other carrier configurations the achievable crest factor is worse.

#### **SLOW**

The crest factor entered using SOURceBB: MCCW: CFACtor is maintained for all carrier configurations by means of automatic settings. The computation time depends on the number of carriers and on the crest factor that has been set. Computation time increases only when the number of carriers exceeds 256 and the crest factor is above 4 dB.

\*RST: CHIRp

**Example:** BB:MCCW:CFAC:MODE OFF

switches off automatic crest factor optimization.

The setting SOURBB: MCCW: CARR: PHAS has an effect.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:CLOCk?

The command queries the output clock rate. The output clock rate depends on the number of carriers and the selected carrier spacing.

Return values:

<Clock> float

Range: 0 to Max Increment: 1E-3 \*RST: 0

**Example:** BB:MCCW:CLOC?

queries the output clock rate.

Response: 256 000 000

the output clock rate is 256 MHz.

Usage: Query only

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:EDIT:CARRier:EXECute

The command adopts the settings for the carrier range which has been defined using the :BB:MCCW:EDIT:CARR:... commands.

**Example:** BB:MCCW:EDIT:CARR:STAR 4

the carrier range starts at carrier 4.

BB:MCCW:EDIT:CARR:STOP 400

the carrier range stops at carrier 400.

BB:MCCW:EDIT:CARR:STAT ON

sets all the carriers in the carrier range to ON.

BB:MCCW:EDIT:CARR:EXEC

adopts the settings for all the carriers in the carrier range.

BB:MCCW:STAT

starts generation of the multi carrier signal. Carriers 4 to 400 are

in the ON state.

Usage: Event

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:EDIT:CARRier:PHASe:STEP <Step>

The command sets the step width by which the start phases of the carriers in the defined carrier range will be incremented.

The phase settings are only valid if optimization of the crest factor is disabled (:SOURce:BB:MCCW:CFACtor:MODE OFF).

Parameters:

<Step> float

Range: -359.99 to 359.99

Increment: 0.01 \*RST: 0

**Example:** BB:MCCW:EDIT:CARR:PHAS 90 DEG

sets a start phase of 90° for the carriers in the carrier range.

BB:MCCW:EDIT:CARR:PHAS:STEP 1 DEG

the start phase is incremented by 1° for each carrier, i.e. the first carrier has a start phase of 90°, the second a start phase of 91°,

etc.

### [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:EDIT:CARRier:PHASe[:STARt] <Start>

The command sets the start phase for the individual carriers in the defined carrier range. If the command :BB:MCCW:EDIT:CARR:PHAS:STEP is used to define a step width, the phase entered here applies only to the starting carrier. The phases of the remaining carriers are stepped up or down by the phase value specified in

the :BB:MCCW:EDIT:CARR:PHAS:STEP command.

The phase settings are only valid if optimization of the crest factor is disabled (SOURce:BB:MCCW:CFACtor:MODE OFF).

Parameters:

<Start> float

Range: 0 to 359.99

Increment: 0.01 \*RST: 0

**Example:** BB:MCCW:EDIT:CARR:PHAS 90 DEG

sets a start phase of 90° for the carriers in the carrier range.

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:EDIT:CARRier:POWer:STEP <Step>

The command sets the step width by which the starting power of the carriers in the defined carrier range will be incremented.

Parameters:

<Step> float

Range: -80 to 80 Increment: 0.01 \*RST: 0

**Example:** BB:MCCW:EDIT:CARR:POW -80dB

sets a power of -80 dB for the carriers in the carrier range.

BB:MCCW:EDIT:CARR:POW:STEP 1 dB

the power phase is incremented by dB for each carrier, i.e. the

first carrier has -80 dB, the second -79 dB, etc.

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:EDIT:CARRier:POWer[:STARt] <Start>

The command sets the power for the individual carriers in the defined carrier range. If the command :BB:MCCW:EDIT:CARR:POW:STEP is used to define a step width, the power entered here applies only to the starting carrier. The power of the remaining carriers is stepped up or down by the power specified in the :BB:MCCW:EDIT:CARR:POW:STEP command.

Parameters:

<Start> float

Range: -80 to 0 Increment: 0.01 \*RST: 0

**Example:** BB:MCCW:EDIT:CARR:POW -50 dB

sets the power of the carrier to -50 dB.

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:EDIT:CARRier:STARt <Start>

The command selects the first carrier in the carrier range to which the settings with the :BB:MCCW:EDIT:CARR:... commands shall apply.

Parameters:

<Start> integer

Range: 0 to 8191

Increment: 1 \*RST: 0

**Example:** BB:MCCW:EDIT:CARR:STAR 4

the carrier range starts at carrier 4.

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:EDIT:CARRier:STATe <State>

The command switches all the carriers in the selected carrier range on or off.

Parameters:

<State> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: 1

**Example:** BB:MCCW:EDIT:CARR:STAT ON

sets all the carriers in the carrier range to ON.

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:EDIT:CARRier:STOP <Stop>

The command selects the last carrier in the carrier range to which the settings with the :BB:MCCW:EDIT:CARR:... commands shall apply.

Parameters:

<Stop> integer

Range: 0 to 8191

Increment: 1 \*RST: 0

**Example:** BB:MCCW:EDIT:CARR:STOP 40

the carrier range stops at carrier 40.

# **Trigger Settings**



The trigger settings are available for R&S SMx and R&S AMU instruments only.

# EXTernal<ch>

The numeric suffix to EXTernal<ch> distinguishes between the external trigger via the TRIGGER 1 (suffix 1) and TRIGGER 2 (suffix 2) connector.

| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:MCCW:TRIGger:ARM:EXECute</hw>                 | 599 |
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| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:MCCW:TRIGger:EXECute</hw>                     |     |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:MCCW:TRIGger:EXTernal:SYNChronize:OUTPut</hw> | 600 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:MCCW:TRIGger:OBASeband:DELay</hw>             | 600 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:MCCW:TRIGger:OBASeband:INHibit</hw>           | 600 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:MCCW:TRIGger:RMODe</hw>                       |     |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:MCCW:TRIGger:SLENgth</hw>                     |     |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:MCCW:TRIGger:SOURce</hw>                      |     |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:MCCW:TRIGger[:EXTernal<ch>]:DELay</ch></hw>   |     |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:MCCW:TRIGger[:EXTernal<ch>]:INHibit</ch></hw> |     |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:MCCW[:TRIGger]:SEQuence</hw>                  |     |
|   |     |

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:TRIGger:ARM:EXECute

The command stops signal generation for trigger modes Armed\_Auto and Armed\_Retrigger. A subsequent internal or external trigger event restart signal generation.

**Example:** BB:MCCW:TRIG:SOUR INT

sets internal triggering.
BB:MCCW:TRIG:SEQ ARET

sets Armed\_Retrigger mode, i.e. every trigger event causes signal

generation to restart.
BB:MCCW:TRIG:EXEC

executes a trigger, signal generation is started.

BB:MCCW:TRIG:ARM:EXEC signal generation is stopped.
BB:MCCW:TRIG:EXEC

executes a trigger, signal generation is started again.

Usage: Event

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:TRIGger:EXECute

The command executes a trigger. The internal trigger source must be selected using the command MCCW: TRIGger: SOURce INTernal and a trigger mode other than AUTO must be selected using the command :BB:MCCW:TRIGger:MODE.

Example: BB:MCCW:TRIG:SOUR INT

sets internal triggering.
BB:MCCW:TRIG:SEQ RETR

sets Retrigger mode, i.e. every trigger event causes signal gen-

eration to restart.

BB:MCCW:TRIG:EXEC

executes a trigger.

Usage: Event

### [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:TRIGger:EXTernal:SYNChronize:OUTPut <Output>

(enabled for Trigger Source External)

Enables/disables output of the signal synchronous to the external trigger event.

See also section "Sync. Output to External Trigger" on page 380 for a detailed description of the applications of this setting.

#### Parameters:

<Output> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

#### ON

The signal calculation starts simultaneously with the external trigger event but because of the instrument's processing time the first samples are cut off and no signal is outputted. After elapsing of the internal processing time, the output signal is synchronous to the trigger event.

### **OFF**

The signal output begins after elapsing of the processing time and starts with sample 0, i.e. the complete signal is outputted.

This mode is recommended for triggering of short signal sequences with signal duration comparable with the processing time of the instrument.

\*RST: 1

**Example:** BB:MCCW:TRIG:SOUR EXT

sets external triggering.

BB:MCCW:TRIG:EXT:SYNC:OUTP ON

enables synchrounous output to external trigger.

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:TRIGger:OBASeband:DELay <Delay>

The command specifies the trigger delay (expressed as a number of samples) for external triggering.

#### Parameters:

<Delay> float

Range: 0 to 65535

Increment: 0.01 \*RST: 0

**Example:** BB:MCCW:TRIG:SOUR EXT

selects an external trigger via the TRIGGER 1 connector.

BB:MCCW:TRIG:DEL 200

sets a delay of 200 samples for the trigger.

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:TRIGger:OBASeband:INHibit <Inhibit>

The command specifies the number of samples by which a restart is to be inhibited following a trigger event. This command applies only in the case of external triggering.

Parameters:

<Inhibit> integer

Range: 0 to 67108863

Increment: 1 \*RST: 0

**Example:** BB:MCCW:TRIG:SOUR EXT

selects an external trigger via the TRIGGER 1 connector.

BB:MCCW:TRIG:INH 200

sets a restart inhibit for 200 samples following a trigger event.

### [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:TRIGger:RMODe?

The command queries the current status of signal generation for all trigger modes with Multi Carrier CW on.

### Return values:

<RMode> STOP | RUN

RUN

The signal is generated. A trigger event occurred in the triggered

mode.

**STOP** 

The signal is not generated. A trigger event did not occur in the triggered modes, or signal generation was stopped by the command BB:MCCW:TRIG:ARM:EXECute (armed trigger modes

only).

**Example:** SOURBB:MCCW:TRIG:SOUR EXT

sets external triggering via the TRIGGER 1 connector.

SOURBB:MCCW:TRIG:MODE ARET selects the Armed\_Retrigger mode SOURBB:MCCW:TRIG:RMOD?

queries the current status of signal generation.

Response: RUN

the signal is generated, an external trigger was executed.

Usage: Query only

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:TRIGger:SLENgth <SLength>

The command defines the length of the signal sequence to be output in the "Single" trigger mode. The input is to be expressed in samples. It is then possible to output deliberately just part of the waveform, an exact sequence of the waveform, or a defined number of repetitions of the waveform.

### Parameters:

<SLength> integer

Range: 1 to 1000

Increment: 1 \*RST: 1

Example: SOURBB:MCCW:SEQ SING

sets trigger mode Single.

SOURBB:MCCW:TRIG:SLEN 200

sets a sequence length of 200 samples. The first 200 samples of the current waveform will be output after the next trigger event.

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:TRIGger:SOURce <Source>

The command selects the trigger source.

Parameters:

<Source> INTernal | EXTernal | BEXTernal | OBASeband

**INTernal** 

Triggering is executed by means of the Trigger command BB: MCCW: TRIG: EXECute in the case of remote control, and by means of "Execute Trigger" in the case of manual operation.

**EXTerna** 

Triggering is executed by means of the signal on the TRIGGER 1

connector.

\*RST: INT

Example: BB:MCCW:TRIG:SOUR INT

sets internal triggering.

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:TRIGger[:EXTernal<ch>]:DELay <Delay>

The command specifies the trigger delay (expressed as a number of samples) for external triggering.

Parameters:

<Delay> float

Range: 0 to 65535

Increment: 0.01 \*RST: 0

**Example:** BB:MCCW:TRIG:SOUR EXT

selects an external trigger via the TRIGGER 1 connector

BB:MCCW:TRIG:DEL 200

sets a delay of 200 samples for the trigger.

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:TRIGger[:EXTernal<ch>]:INHibit < Inhibit>

The command specifies the number of samples by which a restart is to be inhibited following a trigger event. This command applies only in the case of external triggering.

Parameters:

<Inhibit> integer

Range: 0 to 67108863

Increment: 1 \*RST: 0

**Example:** BB:MCCW:TRIG:SOUR EXT

selects an external trigger via the TRIGGER 1 connector.

BB:MCCW:TRIG:INH 200

sets a restart inhibit for 200 samples following a trigger event.

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW[:TRIGger]:SEQuence < Sequence>

The command selects the trigger mode.

### Parameters:

<Sequence> AUTO | RETRigger | AAUTo | ARETrigger | SINGle

#### **AUTO**

The multi carrier signal is generated continuously.

### **RETRigger**

The multi carrier signal is generated continuously. A trigger event (internal or external) causes a restart.

### **AAUTo**

The multi carrier signal is generated only when a trigger event occurs. After the trigger event the signal is generated continuously. Signal generation is stopped with command

SOURBB: MCCW: TRIG: ARM: EXEC and started again when a trigger event occurs.

# **ARETrigger**

The multi carrier signal is generated only when a trigger event occurs. The device automatically toggles to RETRIG mode. Every subsequent trigger event causes a restart. Signal generation is stopped with command SOURBB: MCCW: TRIG: ARM: EXEC and started again when a trigger event occurs.

### **SINGle**

The multi carrier signal is output only when a trigger event occurs. After the trigger event the signal is output once to the set sequence length (SOURBB: MCCW: TRIG: SLEN). Every subsequent trigger event causes a restart.

\*RST: RETRigger

# **Example:** BB:MCCW:SEQ AAUT

sets the "Armed\_auto" trigger mode; the device waits for the first trigger (e.g. with  ${}^\star {\tt TRG}$ ) and then generates the signal continu-

ously.

# **Marker Settings**

This section lists the remote control commands, necessary to configure the markers.



The marker delay settings are available for R&S SMx and R&S AMU instruments only.

| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:MCCW:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:DELay</ch></hw>           | 604 |
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| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:MCCW:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:DELay:MAXimum</ch></hw>   |     |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:MCCW:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:DELay:MINimum</ch></hw>   | 605 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:MCCW:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:MODE</ch></hw>            | 605 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:MCCW:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:OFFTime</ch></hw>         | 606 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:MCCW:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:ONTime</ch></hw>          | 606 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:MCCW:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:PATTern</ch></hw>         | 606 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:MCCW:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:PULSe:DIVider</ch></hw>   | 607 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:MCCW:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:PULSe:FREQuency</ch></hw> | 607 |

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:TRIGger:OUTPut:DELay:FIXed <Fixed>

The command restricts the marker delay setting range to the dynamic range. In this range the delay can be set without restarting the marker and signal. If a delay is entered in setting ON but is outside this range, the maximum possible delay is set and an error message is generated.

The numeric suffix in OUTPut has no significance for this command, since the setting always affects every marker.

#### Parameters:

<Fixed> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: 0

**Example:** BB:MCCW:TRIG:OUTP:DEL:FIX ON

restricts the marker signal delay setting range to the dynamic

range.

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:DELay < Delay>

The command defines the delay between the signal on the marker outputs and the start of the signals, expressed in terms of samples. Com-

mand :BB:MCCW:TRIGger:OUTPut:DELay:FIXed ON can be used to restrict the range of values to the dynamic range, i.e. the range within which a delay of the marker signals can be set without restarting the marker and signal.

#### Parameters:

<Delay> float

Range: 0 to 2^20-1 symbols

Increment: 1E-3 \*RST: 0 symbols

**Example:** BB:MCCW:TRIG:OUTP2:DEL 16

sets a delay of 16 samples for the signal on connector MARKER

2.

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:DELay:MAXimum?

The command queries the maximum marker delay for setting :BB:MCCW:TRIGger:OUTPut: DELay:FIXed ON.

Return values:

<Maximum> float

Range: 0 to 16777215

Increment: 1E-3

**Example:** BB:MCCW:TRIG:OUTP:DEL:FIX ON

restricts the marker signal delay setting range to the dynamic

range.

BB:MCCW:TRIG:OUTP:DEL:MAX

queries the maximum of the dynamic range.

Response: 2000

the maximum for the marker delay setting is 2000 samples.

Usage: Query only

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:DELay:MINimum?

The command queries the minimum marker delay for setting :BB:MCCW:TRIGger:OUTPut: DELay:FIXed ON.

Return values:

<Minimum> float

Range: 0 to 16777215

Increment: 1E-3 \*RST: 0

**Example:** BB:MCCW:TRIG:OUTP:DEL:FIX ON

restricts the marker signal delay setting range to the dynamic

range.

BB:MCCW:TRIG:OUTP:DEL:MIN

queries the minimum of the dynamic range.

Response:0

the minimum for the marker delay setting is 0 samples.

Usage: Query only

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:MODE < Mode>

The command defines the signal for the selected marker output.

Parameters:

<Mode> RESTart | PULSe | PATTern | RATio

RESTart

A brief marker signal is generated at the start of the waveform.

**PULSe** 

A pulsed marker signal is generated. The pulse frequency (= sam-

ple rate/divider) is defined with the

SOUR:BB:MCCW:TRIG:OUTP:PULSe:DIVider command and

can be queried with the

SOUR: BB: MCCW: TRIG: OUTP: PULSe: FREQuency? command.

**PATTern** 

A marker signal is generated with the aid of a user-definable bit pattern. The bit pattern is entered with the aid of command SOURce:BB:MCCW:TRIGger:OUTPut:PATTern. The bit pat-

tern is a maximum of 32 bits long.

RATio

A regular marker signal corresponding to the Time Off / Time On

specifications in the commands

SOURce:BB:MCCW:TRIGger:OUTPut:OFFT and

SOURce: BB: MCCW: TRIGger: OUTPut: ONT is generated.

\*RST: RESTart

**Example:** BB:MCCW:TRIG:OUTP2:MODE PULS

selects the pulsed marker signal on output MARKER 2.

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:OFFTime <OffTime> [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:ONTime <OnTime>

The command sets the number of samples in a period (ON time + OFF time) during which the marker signal in setting SOURce:BB:MCCW:TRIGger:OUTPut:MODE RATio on the marker outputs is ON.

Parameters:

<OnTime> integer

Range: 1 to 16777215

Increment: 1 \*RST: 1

**Example:** BB:MCCW:TRIG:OUTP2:ONT 20

sets an ON time of 20 samples for marker 2.

[:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:PATTern <Pattern>

The command defines the bit pattern used to generate the marker signal in the setting SOURce:BB:MCCW:TRIGger:OUTPut:MODE PATTern 0 is marker off, 1 is marker on.

Parameters:

<Pattern> <32 bit pattern>

\*RST: 0

**Example:** BB:MCCW:TRIG:OUTP2:PATT #HE0F52,20

sets a bit pattern.

BB:MCCW:TRIG:OUTP2:MODE PATT

activates the marker signal according to a bit pattern on output

MARKER 2.

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:PULSe:DIVider < Divider>

The command sets the divider for Pulse marker mode

(SOUR: BB: MCCW: TRIG: OUTP: MODE PULSe). The resulting pulse frequency is derived by dividing the symbol rate by the divider.

Parameters:

<Divider> integer

Range: 2 to 1024

Increment: 1 \*RST: 2

**Example:** BB:MCCW:TRIG:OUTP2:PULS:DIV 2

sets the divider for the marker signal on output MARKER 2 to the

value 2.

BB:MCCW:TRIG:OUTP2:FREQ?

queries the resulting pulse frequency of the marker signal

Response: 66 000

the resulting pulse frequency is 66 kHz.

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:TRIGger:OUTPut<ch>:PULSe:FREQuency?

The command queries the pulse frequency of the pulsed marker signal in the setting SOUR: BB: MCCW: TRIG: OUTP: MODE PULS. The pulse frequency is derived by dividing the symbol rate by the divider. The divider is defined with command

SOUR: BB: MCCW: TRIG: OUTP: PULS: DIV.

Return values:

<Frequency> float

Increment: 1E-3

**Example:** BB:MCCW:TRIG:OUTP2:PULS:DIV 4

sets the divider for the marker signal on output MARKER 2 to the

value 4.

BB:MCCW:TRIG:OUTP2:MODE PULS enables the pulsed marker signal BB:MCCW:TRIG:OUTP2:PULS:FREQ?

queries the pulse frequency for the marker signal.

Response: "33 000"

the resulting pulse frequency is 33 kHz.

Usage: Query only

### **Clock Settings**

This section lists the remote control commands, necessary to configure the clock.



The clock settings are available for R&S SMx and R&S AMU instruments only.

| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:MCCW:CLOCk:MODE</hw>                    | 608 |
|---|-----|
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:MCCW:CLOCk:MULTiplier</hw>              |     |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:MCCW:CLOCk:SOURce</hw>                  |     |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:MCCW:CLOCk:SYNChronization:MODE</hw>    | 609 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BB:MCCW:CLOCk:SYNChronization:EXECute</hw> | 610 |

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:CLOCk:MODE <Mode>

The command enters the type of externally supplied clock (:BB:MCCW:CLOCk:SOURCE EXTernal). When MSAMple is used, a multiple of the sample clock is supplied via the CLOCK connector and the sample clock is derived internally from this. The multiplier is entered with the command BB:MCCW:CLOCk:MULTiplier.

#### Parameters:

<Mode> SAMPle | MSAMple

\*RST: SAMPle

**Example:** BB:MCCW:CLOC:MODE SAMP

selects clock type "Sample", i.e. the supplied clock is a sample

clock.

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:CLOCk:MULTiplier < Multiplier>

The command specifies the multiplier for clock type "Multiple Samples" (:BB:MCCW:CLOCk:MODE MSAM) in the case of an external clock source.

### Parameters:

<Multiplier> integer

Range: 1 to 64

Increment: 1 \*RST: 4

**Example:** BB:MCCW:CLOC:SOUR EXT

selects the external clock source. The clock is supplied via the

CLOCK connector.

BB:MCCW:CLOC:MODE MSAM

selects clock type "Multiple Samples", i.e. the supplied clock has

a rate which is a multiple of the sample rate.

BB:MCCW:CLOC:MULT 12

the multiplier for the external clock rate is 12.

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:CLOCk:SOURce <Source>

The command selects the source for the digital modulation clock.

Parameters:

<Source> INTernal | EXTernal | AINTernal

**INTernal** 

The internal clock reference is used.

**EXTernal** 

The external clock reference is supplied to the CLOCK connector.

\*RST: INTernal

**Example:** BB:MCCW:CLOC:SOUR EXT

selects an external clock reference. The clock is supplied via the

CLOCK connector.

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:CLOCk:SYNChronization:MODE <Mode>

Selects the synchronization mode.

This parameter is used to enable generation of very precise synchronous signal of several connected R&S SMBVs.

### Note

If several instruments are connected, the connecting cables from the master instrument to the slave one and between each two consecutive slave instruments must have the same length and type.

Avoid unnecessary cable length and branching points.

Parameters:

<Mode> NONE | MASTer | SLAVe

**NONE** 

The instrument is working in stand-alone mode.

**MASTer** 

The instrument provides all connected instrument with its synchronization (including the trigger signal) and reference clock sig-

nal.

**SLAVe** 

The instrument receives the synchronization and reference clock signal from another instrument working in a master mode.

\*RST: NONE

**Example:** BB:MCCW:CLOC:SYNC:MODE MAST

the instrument is configured to work as a master one.

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:CLOCk:SYNChronization:EXECute

Performs automatically adjustment of the instrument's settings required for the synchronization mode, set with the command [:SOURce<hw>]:BB:MCCW:CLOCk:

SYNChronization: MODE.

**Example:** BB:MCCW:CLOC:SYNC:MODE MAST

the instrument is configured to work as a master one.

BB:MCCW:CLOC:SYNC:EXEC

all synchronization's settings are adjusted accordingly.

Usage: Event

# 7.14.4 SOURce:BBIN Subsystem

The SOURce: BBIN subsystem contains the commands for setting the external digital and analog baseband signals.

The external baseband signal A can be routed to path A, path B, or both paths. The external baseband signal B can be routed to path B only.

| [:SOURce]:BBIN:ALEVel:EXECute                   | 610 |
|---|-----|
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BBIN:CDEVice</hw>                | 610 |
| [:SOURce]:BBIN:CFACtor                          | 611 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BBIN:DIGital:ASETting:STATe</hw> | 611 |
| [:SOURce]:BBIN:FOFFset                          | 611 |
| [:SOURce]:BBIN:IQSWap[:STATe]                   | 612 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BBIN:MPERiod</hw>                | 612 |
| [:SOURce]:BBIN:OLOad:HOLD:RESet                 | 612 |
| [:SOURce]:BBIN:OLOad:HOLD:STATe                 | 613 |
| [:SOURce]:BBIN:OLOad:STATe                      | 613 |
| [:SOURce]:BBIN:POWer:PEAK                       | 613 |
| [:SOURce]:BBIN:POWer:RMS                        | 614 |
| [:SOURce]:BBIN:SRATe:ACTual                     | 614 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BBIN:SRATe:FIFO[:STATus]</hw>    | 614 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:BBIN:SRATe:SOURce</hw>           | 615 |
| [:SOURce]:BBIN:STATe                            | 615 |

# [:SOURce]:BBIN:ALEVel:EXECute

This command starts measuring the input signal. The measurement estimates the crest factor and the peak power.

**Example:** BBIN:ALEV:EXEC

starts measuring the input signal.

Usage: Event

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BBIN:CDEVice?

Digital Input only.

Indicates the ID of an externally connected R&S Instrument or R&S Device.

Return values:

<CDevice> string

**Example:** BBIN:CDEV

queries the connected device ID.

Usage: Query only

# [:SOURce]:BBIN:CFACtor < CFactor>

This command enters the crest factor of the external baseband signal.

Parameters:

<CFactor> float

Range: 0 to 30 Increment: 0.01 \*RST: 0 Default unit: dB

Example: BBIN:CFAC 10

enters a crest factor of 10 dB for the external baseband signal.

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BBIN:DIGital:ASETting:STATe <State>

Activates automatic adjustment of the baseband input signal.

The R&S SMBV receives PEP, level and crest factor values directly from the connected transmitter and recognizes changes automatically.

Parameters:

<State> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: 0

**Example:** BBIN:DIG:ASET:STAT ON

switches on automatic adjustment of the baseband input signal.

# [:SOURce]:BBIN:FOFFset <FOffset>

This command enters the frequency offset for the external baseband signal. The offset affects the signal on the output of the "Baseband" block.

The complex I/Q bandwidth of the shifted useful signal must not exceed 80 MHz in total. The following applies:

 $f_{offset}$ - $(f_{use}/2) => -(80/2)$  MHz and  $f_{offset}$ + $(f_{use}/2) >= +(80/2)$  MHz

f<sub>use</sub> = the complex useful bandwidth of the I/Q signal before the offset.

 $f_{offset}$  = frequency offset.

Parameters:

<FOffset> float

Range: -40E6 to 40E6

Increment: 0.01 \*RST: 0 Default unit: Hz

**Example:** BBIN:FOFF 2 MHz

sets a frequency offset of 2 MHz.

# [:SOURce]:BBIN:IQSWap[:STATe] <State>

This command swaps the I and Q channel if set to ON.

Parameters:

<State> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: 0

Example: BBIN: IQSW ON

swaps the I and Q channel of the external baseband signal.

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BBIN:MPERiod <MPeriod>

Sets the recording duration for measuring the baseband input signal by Auto Level Set.

Parameters:

<MPeriod> float

Range: 1 to 32

Increment: 1
\*RST: 2
Default unit: s

Example: BBIN:MPER 4s

sets the recording duration for Auto Level Set to 4 seconds.

# [:SOURce]:BBIN:OLOad:HOLD:RESet

This command executes a reset of the Overload Hold State and LED.

**Example:** BBIN:MODE DIG

selects the digital baseband input mode.

BBIN:OLO:HOLD:RES

resets the overload hold state.

Usage: Event

# [:SOURce]:BBIN:OLOad:HOLD:STATe?

This command queries an overload since the last reset for evaluating the measurement. The Overload Hold state can be reset via the "Reset" command, or is reset automatically by starting a new measurement ("Auto Level Set") or by setting new values (Crest Factor, PEP, Level).

Return values:

<State> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: 0

Example: BBIN:MODE DIG

selects the digital baseband input mode.

BBIN: OLO: HOLD: STAT? queries the overload state.

Response: 0

the AC/DC converter has not been overloaded.

Usage: Query only

# [:SOURce]:BBIN:OLOad:STATe?

This command queries the current overload state of the A/D converter.

Return values:

<State> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: 0

Example: BBIN:MODE DIG

selects the digital baseband input mode.

BBIN:OLO:STAT?

queries the overload state.

Response: 0

The AC/DC converter is not overloaded.

Usage: Query only

# [:SOURce]:BBIN:POWer:PEAK <Peak>

This command enters the peak level of the external baseband signal relative to full scale of 0.5 V (in terms of dB full scale).

Parameters:

<Peak> float

Range: -60 to 3.02

Increment: 0.01 \*RST: 0 Default unit: dBfs

Example: BBIN: POW: PEAK -2

enters the peak level of -2 dBfs.

# [:SOURce]:BBIN:POWer:RMS?

This command queries the rms level of the external digital baseband signal.

#### Return values:

<Rms> float

Range: -100 to 10 Increment: 0.01 \*RST: 0

**Example:** BBIN: POW: RMS

queries the estimated rms level.

Usage: Query only

# [:SOURce]:BBIN:SRATe:ACTual?

This command queries the sample rate of the external digital baseband signal.

**Note**: The maximum value is 90 MHz with BBinR Revision 02.xx and 100 MHz with BBinR Revision 03.00 or higher.

#### Return values:

<Actual> float

Range: 400 Hz to 100 MHz

Example: BBIN: SRAT

queries the sample rate value of the external digital baseband sig-

nal.

Usage: Query only

# [:SOURce<hw>]:BBIN:SRATe:FIFO[:STATus]?

This command indicates the state of the signal transmission.

# Return values:

<Status> OK | OFLow | URUN

OK

Resampling is working properly.

OFL = Overflow

The external sample rate frequency is too high which causes an

overflow in signal transmission.

**URUN** = **Underrun** 

The external sample rate frequency is too low which causes an

underrun in signal transmission.

\*RST: OK

**Example:** BBIN:SRAT:FIFO:STAT

queries the FIFO Status of the sample rate.

Usage: Query only

### [:SOURce<hw>]:BBIN:SRATe:SOURce <Source>

This command queries the source for estimating the sample rate of the digital input signal or defining it by the user.

**Note**: With a connected **R&S EX-IQ-Box** either the internal clock source (User defined) or an external clock (Digital I/Q In) can be selected in the settings dialog of the R&S EX-IQ-Box. Therefore, the sample rate source is only indicated in this field.

Parameters:

<Source> USER | DIN

\*RST: USER

**Example:** BBIN:SRAT:SOUR

queries the sample rate mode of the external digital baseband

signal.

### [:SOURce]:BBIN:STATe <State>

This command switches the feeding of an external analog signal into the signal path on/ off.

Parameters:

<State> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: 0

Example: BBIN:SOUR ANAL

selects an external analog signal as the input signal. The signal

must be applied at the inputs I and Q.

BBIN:STAT ON

switches on the Baseband In block. The external analog signal is

A/D-converted and fed into the digital signal.

# 7.14.5 SOURce:CORRection Subsystem

The output level is corrected in the CORRection subsystem. Correction is performed by user-defined table values being added to the output level for the respective RF frequency. In the R&S SMBV, this subsystem is used to select, transfer and activate user correction tables.

Each list is stored as a file. The name of the user correction file can be freely selected. The file extension \*.uco is assigned automatically and cannot be changed.

The files can be stored in a freely selectable directory and opened from there. The default directory is set using command :MMEMory:CDIRectory on page 478. In the case of files which are stored in the default directory, only the file name has to be specified in commands. Otherwise, the complete absolute path has to be specified with every command. The extension can be omitted in any case.



In the following command examples, the files are stored in the default directory.

The amplitude can also be linearized automatically by means of a R&S NRP power sensor connected to the generator output signal. With the aid of the command [:

SOURce<hw>]:CORRection:CSET:DATA[:SENSor<ch>][:POWer]:SONCe, a list with correction values for external test assemblies can be automatically determined, e.g.

for compensating the frequency response of cables. The correction values can be acquired any time irrespective of the modulation settings of the generator.

| [:SOURce]:CORRection:CSET:CATalog                                   | 616 |
|---|-----|
| [:SOURce <hw>]:CORRection:CSET:DATA:FREQuency</hw>                  |     |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:CORRection:CSET:DATA:FREQuency:POINts</hw>           | 617 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:CORRection:CSET:DATA:POWer</hw>                      | 617 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:CORRection:CSET:DATA:POWer:POINts</hw>               | 618 |
| [:SOURce < hw >]:CORRection:CSET:DATA[:SENSor < ch >][:POWer]:SONCe | 618 |
| [:SOURce]:CORRection:CSET:DELete                                    | 618 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:CORRection:DEXChange:AFILe:CATalog</hw>              | 619 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:CORRection:DEXChange:AFILe:EXTension</hw>            | 619 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:CORRection:DEXChange:AFILe:SELect</hw>               | 620 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:CORRection:DEXChange:AFILe:SEParator:COLumn</hw>     | 620 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:CORRection:DEXChange:AFILe:SEParator:DECimal</hw>    | 621 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:CORRection:DEXChange:EXECute</hw>                    | 621 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:CORRection:DEXChange:MODE</hw>                       | 621 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:CORRection:DEXChange:SELect</hw>                     | 622 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:CORRection:CSET[:SELect]</hw>                        | 622 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:CORRection[:STATe]</hw>                              | 623 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:CORRection:VALue</hw>                                | 623 |

# [:SOURce]:CORRection:CSET:CATalog?

The command requests a list of user correction tables. The individual lists are separated by commas.

The lists are stored with the fixed file extensions \*.uco in a directory of the user's choice. The directory applicable to the commands is defined with the command MMEMory:CDIR.

Return values:

<Catalog> string

**Example:** MMEM:CDIR '/var/smbv/Lists/ucor'

selects the directory for the user correction files.

CORR:CSET:CAT?

queries which correction tables are available.

Response: UCOR1, UCOR2, UCOR3

the correction tables UCOR1, UCOR2 and UCOR3 are available.

Usage: Query only

### [:SOURce<hw>]:CORRection:CSET:DATA:FREQuency <Frequency>

The command transfers the frequency data to the table selected

with : CORRection: CSET: SELect.

The numerical suffix at SOURce must not be used for this command.

Parameters:

<Frequency> Frequency#1[, Frequency#2, ...]

Range: 300 kHz to RFmax (depending on model)

Default unit: Hz

**Example:** CORR:CSET '/var/smbv/Lists/ucor/ucor1'

selects the table ucor1.

CORR: CSET: DATA: FREQ 100MHz, 102MHz, 103MHz, ...

enters the frequency value in the table ucor1.

# [:SOURce<hw>]:CORRection:CSET:DATA:FREQuency:POINts?

The command queries the number of frequency values in the selected table.

The numerical suffix at SOURce must not be used for this command.

Return values:

<Points> float

**Example:** CORR:CSET '/var/smbv/Lists/ucor/ucor1'

selects the table ucor1.

CORR:CSET:DATA:FREQ:POIN?

queries the number of frequency values in the table ucor1.

Response: 440

the table ucor1 contains 440 frequency values.

Usage: Query only

### [:SOURce<hw>]:CORRection:CSET:DATA:POWer <Power>

The command transfers the level data to the table selected

with :CORRection:CSET:SELect.

\*RST does not affect data lists. The numerical suffix at SOURce must not be used for this command.

Parameters:

<Power> Power#1[, Power#2, ...]

Range: -40 dB to 6 dB

Default unit: dB

**Example:** CORR:CSET '/var/smbv/Lists/ucor/ucor1'

selects the table ucor1.

CORR:CSET:DATA:POW 1dB, 0.8dB, 0.75dB,...

enters the level values in the table ucor1.

# [:SOURce<hw>]:CORRection:CSET:DATA:POWer:POINts?

The command queries the number of level values in the selected table.

The numerical suffix at SOURce must not be used for this command.

Return values:

<Points> float

**Example:** CORR:CSET '/var/smbv/Lists/ucor/ucor1'

selects the table ucor1.

CORR:CSET:DATA:POW:POIN?

queries the number of level values in the table ucor1.

Response: 440

the table ucor1 contains 440 level values.

Usage: Query only

# [:SOURce<hw>]:CORRection:CSET:DATA[:SENSor<ch>][:POWer]:SONCe

The command fills the selected user correction list with the level values measured by the power sensor for the given frequencies.

The power sensor used is selected by the suffix in key word SENSe of the command header.

Suffix:

<ch> 1 .. 3

Suffix 1 denotes the sensor connected to the SENSOR connector, suffix 2 the sensor connected first to one of the USB interfaces and suffix 3 the sensor connected second to one of the USB inter-

faces.

**Example:** CORR:CSET:DATA:SENS:POW:SONC

fills the user correction list with level values acquired by the power

sensor connector to the SENSOR connector.

Usage: Event

### [:SOURce]:CORRection:CSET:DELete < Delete >

The command deletes the specified table.

The lists are stored with the fixed file extensions \*.uco in a directory of the user's choice. The directory applicable to the commands is defined with the command

MMEMory: CDIR. A path can also be specified in command: SOUR: CORR: CSET: CAT?, in which case the file in the specified directory is deleted.

The numerical suffix under SOURce is irrelevant.

**Setting parameters:** 

<Delete>

**Example:** MMEM:CDIR '/var/smbv/Lists/ucor'

selects the directory for the user correction files.

CORR:CSET:DEL 'UCOR1' deletes the table ucor1.

Usage: Event

# [:SOURce<hw>]:CORRection:DEXChange:AFILe:CATalog?

The command requests a list of available ASCII files for export/import of user correction data. The individual files are separated by commas.

The ASCII files are stored with the fixed file extensions \*.txt or \*.csv in a directory of the user's choice. The directory applicable to the commands is defined with the command MMEMory:CDIR.

Return values:

<Catalog> string

**Example:** MMEM:CDIR '/var/smbv/lists/ucor/import'

selects the directory for the ASCII files with frequency and level

value pairs.

CORR:DEXC:AFIL:EXT TXT

selects that ASCII files with extension \*.txt are listed.

CORR:DEXC:AFIL:CAT?

queries the available files with extension \*.txt.

Response: 'ucor1, ucor2'

the ASCII files ucor1.txt and ucor2.txt are available.

**Usage:** Query only

### [:SOURce<hw>]:CORRection:DEXChange:AFILe:EXTension < Extension>

The command selects the file extension of the ASCII file to be imported or exported. Selection TXT (text file) or CSV (Excel file) is available.

Parameters:

<Extension> TXT | CSV

\*RST: TXT

**Example:** MMEM:CDIR '/var/smbv/lists/ucor/import'

selects the directory for the ASCII files with frequency and level

value pairs.

CORR:DEXC:AFIL:EXT TXT

selects that ASCII files with extension \*.txt are listed.

CORR:DEXC:AFIL:CAT?

queries the available files with extension \*.txt.

Response: 'list1, list2'

the ASCII files ucor1.txt and ucor2.txt are available.

### [:SOURce<hw>]:CORRection:DEXChange:AFILe:SELect <Select>

The command selects the ASCII file to be imported or exported.

The ASCII files are stored with the fixed file extensions \*.txt or \*.csv in a directory of the user's choice. The directory applicable to the commands is defined with the command MMEMory:CDIR. A path can also be specified in command

SOUR: CORR: DEXC: AFIL: SEL, in which case the files are stored or loaded in the specified directory.

#### Parameters:

<Select> <ascii file name>

**Example:** CORR: DEXC: MODE IMP

selects that ASCII files with frequency and level value pairs are

imported and transferred into user correction lists.

CORR: DEXC: AFIL: SEL

'/var/smbv/user/ucor/import/ucor.csv'

selects that ASCII file ucor.csv is imported.

CORR: DEXC: SEL

'/var/smbv/user/ucor/import/ucor imp'

selects that the ASCII file ucor.csv is imported into user correction

list ucor\_imp.

# [:SOURce<hw>]:CORRection:DEXChange:AFILe:SEParator:COLumn < Column>

The command selects the separator between the frequency and level column of the ASCII table.

#### Parameters:

<Column> TABulator | SEMicolon | COMMa | SPACe

\*RST: SEMicolon|

**Example:** CORR: DEXC: MODE EXP

selects that the user correction list is exported into an ASCII file.

CORR:DEXC:AFIL:SEL

'/var/smbv/user/ucor/import/ucor.csv'

selects ASCII file ucor.csv as destination for the user correction

list data.

CORR:DEXC:AFIL:SEP:COL TAB

the pairs of frequency and level values are separated by a tabu-

lator.

CORR: DEXC: AFIL: SEP: DEC DOT selects the decimal separator dot.

CORR:DEXC:SEL

'/var/smbv/user/ucor/import/ucor imp'

selects that the user correction list ucor\_imp is imported into ASCII

file ucor.csv.

# [:SOURce<hw>]:CORRection:DEXChange:AFILe:SEParator:DECimal < Decimal>

The command the decimal separator used in the ASCII data between '.' (decimal point) and ',' (comma) with floating-point numerals.

Parameters:

<Decimal> DOT | COMMa

\*RST: DOT

**Example:** CORR: DEXC: MODE EXP

selects that the user correction list is exported into an ASCII file.

CORR: DEXC: AFIL: SEL

'/var/smbv/user/ucor/import/ucor.csv'

selects ASCII file ucor.csv as destination for the user correction

list data.

CORR: DEXC: AFIL: SEP: COL TAB

the pairs of frequency and level values are separated by a tabu-

lator.

CORR: DEXC: AFIL: SEP: DEC DOT selects the decimal separator dot.

CORR: DEXC: SEL

'/var/smbv/user/ucor/import/ucor imp'

selects that the user correction list ucor\_imp is imported into ASCII

file ucor.csv.

# [:SOURce<hw>]:CORRection:DEXChange:EXECute

The command starts the export or import of the selected file. When import is selected, the ASCII file is imported as user correction list. When export is selected, the user correction list is exported into the selected ASCII file.

**Example:** CORR: DEXC: MODE IMP

selects that ASCII files with frequency and level value pairs are

imported and transferred into user correction lists.

CORR:DEXC:AFIL:SEL

'/var/smbv/user/ucor/import/ucor.csv'

selects that ASCII file ucor.csv is imported.

CORR: DEXC: SEL

'/var/smbv/user/ucor/import/ucor imp'

selects that the ASCII file ucor.csv is imported into user correction

list ucor\_imp.
CORR:DEXC:EXEC

starts the import of the ASCII file data into the user correction file.

Usage: Event

# [:SOURce<hw>]:CORRection:DEXChange:MODE < Mode>

The command selects if user correction lists should be imported or exported. Depending on the selection her, the file select command define either the source or the destination for user correction lists and ASCII files.

Parameters:

<Mode> IMPort | EXPort

\*RST: IMPort

**Example:** CORR: DEXC: MODE IMP

selects that ASCII files with frequency and level value pairs are

imported and transferred into user correction lists.

CORR:DEXC:AFIL:SEL

'/var/smbv/user/ucor/import/ucor.csv'

selects that ASCII file ucor.csv is imported.

CORR: DEXC: SEL

'/var/smbv/user/ucor/import/ucor imp'

selects that the ASCII file ucor.csv is imported into user correction

list ucor imp.

# [:SOURce<hw>]:CORRection:DEXChange:SELect <Select>

The command selects the user correction list to be imported or exported.

The user correction files are stored with the fixed file extensions \*.uco in a directory of the user's choice. The directory applicable to the commands is defined with the command MMEMory:CDIR. A path can also be specified in command SOUR:CORR:DEXC:SEL, in which case the files are stored or loaded in the specified directory.

#### Parameters:

<Select> st name>

**Example:** CORR: DEXC: MODE IMP

selects that ASCII files with frequency and level value pairs are

imported and transferred into user correction lists.

CORR: DEXC: AFIL: SEL

'/var/smbv/user/ucor/import/ucor.csv'

selects that ASCII file ucor.csv is imported.

CORR:DEXC:SEL

'/var/smbv/user/ucor/import/ucor\_imp'

selects that the ASCII file ucor.csv is imported into user correc-

tion list ucor imp.

### [:SOURce<hw>]:CORRection:CSET[:SELect] <Select>

The command selects the table for user correction. Level correction must also be activated with the command SOURce<hw>: CORRection: CSET: STATE ON.

The lists are stored with the fixed file extensions \*.uco in a directory of the user's choice. The directory applicable to the commands is defined with the command MMEMory:CDIR. A path can also be specified in command:SOUR:CORR:CSET:SEL, in which case the files in the specified directory are selected.

#### Parameters:

<Select>

**Example:** CORR:CSET '/var/smbv/Lists/ucor/ucor1'

selects the table ucor1.

CORR ON

activates level correction. Correction is performed using the table

ucor1.

Usage: Event

# [:SOURce<hw>]:CORRection[:STATe] <State>

The command activates/deactivates level correction. Level correction is performed using the table which has been selected with the command CORRection: CSET: SELect.

Parameters:

<State> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: OFF

**Example:** SOUR:CORR:CSET '/var/smbv/lists/ucor/ucor1'

selects the table ucor1.

SOUR: CORR ON

activates user correction.

### [:SOURce<hw>]:CORRection:VALue?

The command requests the current value for user correction.

Return values:

<Value> float

**Example:** CORR: VAL?

queries the value currently used for level correction.

Response: -3

the correction value is - 3 dB.

Usage: Query only

# 7.14.6 SOURce:FM Subsystem

The FM subsystem contains the commands for checking the frequency modulation.

The settings for the internal modulation source (LF generator) are made in the SOURce: LFOutput subsystem /see chapter 7.14.11, "SOURce: LFOutput Subsystem", on page 647).

For information about the required options, see chapter 5.4.12.3, "Frequency Modulation (FM)", on page 193.

| [:SOURce <hw>]:FM[:DEViation]</hw>        | 624 |
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| [:SOURce <hw>]:FM:EXTernal:COUPling.</hw> | 624 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:FM:MODE</hw>               |     |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:FM:SENSitivity</hw>        |     |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:FM:SOURce</hw>             |     |

### [:SOURce<hw>]:FM[:DEViation] < Deviation>

The command sets the modulation deviation of the frequency modulation in Hz. The maximal deviation depends on the RF frequency set and the selected modulation mode (see data sheet).

### Parameters:

<Deviation> float

Range: 0 Hz to 10 MHz Increment: See data sheet

\*RST: 10 kHz Default unit: Hz

**Example:** FM 5E3

sets the FM modulation deviation to 5 kHz.

**Usage:** SCPI confirmed

# [:SOURce<hw>]:FM:EXTernal:COUPling <Coupling>

The command selects the coupling mode for the external modulation input in the case of frequency modulation.

**Note:** Coupling for external feed via input EXT MOD can be set independently for modulations AM, FM and PhiM.

### Parameters:

<Coupling> AC | DC

AC

The DC voltage component is disconnected from the modulation

signal.

DC

The modulation signal is not changed.

\*RST: AC

**Example:** FM:EXT:COUP AC

selects the coupling mode AC for external frequency modulation.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

# [:SOURce<hw>]:FM:MODE <Mode>

The command selects the mode for the frequency modulation.

Parameters:

<Mode> NORMal | LNOise | HDEViation

**NORMal** 

The maximum range for modulation bandwidth and FM deviation

is available.

**LNOise** 

Frequency modulation with phase noise and spurious characteristics close to CW mode. The range for modulation bandwidth and

FM deviation is reduced (see data sheet).

**HDEViation** 

Frequency modulation with full setting range for FM deviation. The range for modulation bandwidth is reduced (see data sheet).

\*RST: NORMal

**Example:** FM:MODE NORM

selects normal mode for external frequency modulation.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

### [:SOURce<hw>]:FM:SENSitivity?

The command queries the input sensitivity of the EXT MOD input in Hz/V.

The command is only effective if the external modulation source is selected (SOUR:FM:SOUR EXT). The returned value depends on the modulation deviation setting (SOUR:FM:DEViation). This value is assigned to the voltage value for full modulation of the input signal.

Return values:

<Sensitivity> float

**Example:** FM: DEV 5E3

sets a modulation deviation of 5 kHz.

FM:SENS

queries the input sensitivity at the external modulation input.

Response: 5E3

since the voltage value for full modulation is 1V, the resulting sen-

sitivity is precisely 5000Hz/V.

Usage: Query only

SCPI confirmed

# [:SOURce<hw>]:FM:SOURce <Source>

The command selects the modulation source for frequency modulation. Internal and external modulation source can be selected at the same time.

Parameters:

<Source> INT | EXT | INT,EXT

INT

 ${\tt INT}$  is the LF generator. The frequency of the internal modulation

signal can be set in the SOURce: LFOutput subsystem.

**EXT** 

The external signal is input at the EXT MOD connector.

\*RST: INTernal

Example: FM:SOUR INT

selects the internal modulation source.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

# [:SOURce<hw>]:FM:STATe <State>

The command activates/deactivates frequency modulation.

Activation of FM (FM: STAT ON) deactivates phase modulation.

Parameters:

<State> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: OFF

Example: FM:STAT ON

Activates FM modulation.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

# 7.14.7 SOURce:FREQuency Subsystem

This subsystem contains the commands used to define the frequency settings for the RF sources and sweeps.

| [:SOURce <hw>]:FREQuency:CENTer</hw>                   | 627 |
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| [:SOURce <hw>]:FREQuency:LOSCillator:MODE</hw>         | 627 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:FREQuency:LOSCillator:OUTPut:STATe</hw> | 628 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:FREQuency[:CW :FIXed]</hw>              | 628 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:FREQuency[:CW :FIXed]:RCL</hw>          | 628 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:FREQuency:MANual</hw>                   | 629 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:FREQuency:MODE</hw>                     | 630 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:FREQuency:MULTiplier</hw>               | 630 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:FREQuency:OFFSet</hw>                   | 631 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:FREQuency:SPAN</hw>                     | 631 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:FREQuency:STARt</hw>                    | 632 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:FREQuency:STOP</hw>                     | 632 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:FREQuency:STEP[:INCRement]</hw>         | 633 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:FREQuency:STEP:MODE</hw>                | 633 |

### [:SOURce<hw>]:FREQuency:CENTer <Center>

The command sets the center frequency of the sweep. This setting in combination with the span setting ([SOURce:]FREQuency:SPAN) defines the sweep range.

This command is linked to the commands [SOURCe:] FREQuency:STARt and [SOURce:] FREQuency:STOP, i.e. changing these values causes the CENTer value to change, and vice versa:

```
CENTer = (STARt + STOP)/2
```

As with the "Frequency" value entered in the header, the OFFSet value is also taken into consideration with this command. The specified value range is therefore only effective if OFFSet is set to 0. The value range for other OFFset values can be calculated using the following formula:

300 kHz + OFFSet ...  $RF_{max}$  +OFFSet

Parameters:

<Center> float

Range: 300kHz to RFmax (RFmax depending on model)

Increment: 0.01Hz \*RST: 300MHz Default unit: Hz

**Example:** FREQ:CENT 400 MHz

sets the center frequency for the frequency sweep to 400 MHz.

FREQ:SPAN 200 MHz

sets a span of 200 MHz. This sets the sweep range to 300 MHz

to 500 MHz.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

# [:SOURce<hw>]:FREQuency:LOSCillator:MODE <Mode>

Selects the mode of the local oscillator coupling.

Parameters:

<Mode> INTernal | EXTernal

**INTernal** 

The signal of the internal local oscilltor is used. This mode corre-

sponds to a normal operation.

**EXTernal** 

An external signal is used for path A.

**Note:** Selection of LO Coupling "External" mode, disables all parameters in the "Frequency/Phase/Ref Osc" dialog of the

selected path.

\*RST: INT

**Example:** FREQ:LOSC:MODE EXT

sets the LO coupling mode to External.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

### [:SOURce<hw>]:FREQuency:LOSCillator:OUTPut:STATe <State>

Switches on/off the LO output.

Parameters:

<State> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: OFF

**Example:** FREQ:LOSC:OUTP:STAT ON

switches on the LO output state.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

# [:SOURce<hw>]:FREQuency[:CW|:FIXed] <Fixed>

The command sets the frequency of the RF output signal for CW mode (SOURce:FREQuency:MODE CW). In Sweep mode (SOURce:FREQuency:MODE SWEep), this value is linked to the current sweep frequency.

In addition to a numerical value, it is also possible to specify  $\mathtt{UP}$  and  $\mathtt{DOWN}$ . The frequency is then increased or decreased by the value which is set under

[SOURce < [1] | 2>: ] FREQuency: STEP.

As with the "FREQ" value entered in the display, the OFFSet value is also taken into consideration with this command. The specified value range is therefore only effective if OFFSet is set to 0. The value range for other OFFset values can be calculated using the following formula:

300 kHz + OFFSet ...  $RF_{max}$  +OFFSet

**Correlation**: FREQ for FREQ: MODE SWE is linked to sweep frequency.

Parameters:

<Fixed> float

Range: 300kHz to RFmax

Increment: 0.01Hz \*RST: 1GHz Default unit: Hz

**Example:** FREQ 500kHz

sets the frequency of RF output signal A to 500 kHz.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

# [:SOURce<hw>]:FREQuency[:CW|:FIXed]:RCL <Rcl>

The command determines whether the current frequency setting is retained or whether the stored frequency setting is adopted when an instrument configuration is loaded.

\*RST does not affect this setting.

Parameters:

<Rcl> INCLude | EXCLude

**INCLude** 

The stored frequency is also loaded when a stored instrument

configuration is loaded.

**EXCLude** 

The RF frequency is not loaded when a stored instrument config-

uration is loaded. The current frequency is retained.

\*RST: no default

**Example:** FREQ:RCL INCL

The stored frequency is set if the Recall command is called.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

# [:SOURce<hw>]:FREQuency:MANual <Manual>

In Sweep mode (: SOUR: FREQ: MODE SWE) the command sets the frequency for the next sweep step in the "Step" sweep mode (SOUR: SWE: MODE MAN).

The parameter <Manual> must be a frequency value between the settings [SOUR]: FREQ: STAR and ...: STOP. Each sweep step is triggered by a separate SOUR: FREQ: MAN command. UP or DOWN trigger the next sweep step in direction of higher or lower frequencies.

As with the "Frequency" value entered in the header, the OFFSet value is also taken into consideration with this command. The specified value range is therefore only effective if OFFSet is set to 0. The value range for other OFFset values can be calculated using the following formula:

STARt + OFFSet ... STOP +OFFSet

Parameters:

<Manual> float

Range: STARt to STOP

Increment: 0.01Hz \*RST: 100MHz Default unit: Hz

Example: SWE:MODE MAN

sets the Step sweep mode.

**Example:** FREQ:MODE SWE

sets the Frequency Sweep mode. The sweep start frequency is

output.

FREQ:MAN UP

triggers the next higher sweep step.

FREQ:MAN 500MHz

outputs 500 MHz RF frequency (must e within the sweep fre-

quency range).
FREQ:MAN DOWN

triggers the next lower sweep step relative to 500 MHz.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

# [:SOURce<hw>]:FREQuency:MODE <Mode>

The command sets the instrument operating mode and therefore also the commands used to set the output frequency.

#### Parameters:

<Mode> CW | FIXed | SWEep | LIST

CW|FIXed

The instrument operates in fixed-frequency mode; CW and FIXed are synonyms. The output frequency is set

with :SOURce:FREQuency:CW|FIXed.

**SWEep** 

The instrument operates in SWEep mode. The frequency is set using the commands SOURCe: FREQuency: STARt; STOP;

CENTer; SPAN; MANual.

LIST

The instrument processes a list of frequency and level settings for the selected path.

The List mode settings are made in the SOURce:LIST Subsystem subsystem. The setting SOURce:FREQuency:MODE LIST also sets the command SOURce:POWer:MODE automatically to

LIST.

Correlation: FREQ: MODE LIST sets POW: MODE LIST

\*RST: CW

**Example:** FREQ:MODE SWE

sets the SWEep mode. The settings under

SOURce: FREQuency: STARt; STOP; CENTer; SPAN; MANual

become effective.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

# [:SOURce<hw>]:FREQuency:MULTiplier < Multiplier>

The command sets the value for the multiplication factor of a subsequent downstream instrument.

Parameters:

<Multiplier> float

Range: 1 to 10000

\*RST: 1

**Example:** FREQ:MULT 1

sets the multiplication factor to 1.

### [:SOURce<hw>]:FREQuency:OFFSet <Offset>

The command sets the frequency offset of a downstream instrument, e.g. a mixer. If a frequency offset is entered, the frequency entered with SOURce: FREQuency: ... no longer corresponds to the RF output frequency. The following correlation applies:

SOURce: FREQuency: ... = RF output frequency + SOURce: FREQuency: OFFSet.

Entering an offset does not change the RF output frequency, but rather the query value of SOURce: FREQuency:....

### Parameters:

<Offset> float

Range: -67GHz to 67GHz

Increment: 0.01Hz \*RST: 0Hz Default unit: Hz

**Example:** FREQ:OFFS 500kHz

sets the frequency offset to 500 kHz.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

# [:SOURce<hw>]:FREQuency:SPAN <Span>

This command specifies the span for the sweep. This setting in combination with the center frequency setting ([SOUR]: FREQ: CENT) defines the sweep range.

This command is linked to the commands <code>[SOUR]:FREQ:STAR</code> and <code>[:SOUR]:FREQ:STOP</code>, i.e. changing these values causes the <code>SPAN</code> value to change, and vice versa:

SPAN = (STOP - STARt)

Negative values for SPAN are permitted; STARt > STOP then applies.

### Parameters:

<Span> float

Range: 0 to RFmax Increment: 0.01Hz \*RST: 400MHz

**Example:** FREQ:CENT 400 MHz

sets the center frequency of the frequency sweep to 400 MHz.

FREQ:SPAN 200 MHz

sets a span of 200 MHz. This sets the sweep range to 300 MHz

to 500 MHz.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

#### [:SOURce<hw>]:FREQuency:STARt <Start>

This command sets the start frequency for the sweep mode. STARt can be greater than STOP.

This command is linked to the commands [SOUR]: FREQ: CENT and [SOUR]: FREQ: SPAN, i.e. changing these values causes the STARt value to change, and vice versa:

```
STARt = (CENTer - SPAN/2).
```

As with the "Frequency" value entered in the header, the <code>OFFSet</code> value is also taken into consideration with this command. The specified value range is therefore only effective if <code>OFFSet</code> is set to 0. The value range for other <code>OFFset</code> values can be calculated using the following formula:

300 kHz + OFFSet ...  $RF_{max}$  +OFFSet

#### Parameters:

<Start> float

Range: 300kHz to RFmax

Increment: 0.01Hz \*RST: 100MHz

**Example:** FREQ:STARt 1 MHz

sets the start frequency for the frequency sweep to 1 MHz.

FREQ:STOP 2 GHz

sets the stop frequency for the frequency sweep to 2 GHz.

**Usage:** SCPI confirmed

## [:SOURce<hw>]:FREQuency:STOP <Stop>

This command sets the stop frequency for the sweep mode. STOP can be less than STARt.

This command is linked to the commands [:SOUR]:FREQ:CENt and [:SOUR]:FREQ:SPAN, i.e. changing these values causes the STARt value to change, and vice versa:

```
STOP = (CENTer + SPAN/2)
```

As with the "Frequency" value entered in the header, the OFFSet value is also taken into consideration with this command. The specified value range is therefore only effective if OFFSet is set to 0. The value range for other OFFset values can be calculated using the following formula:

 $300 \text{ kHz} + \text{OFFSet} \dots \text{RF}_{\text{max}} + \text{OFFSet}$ 

Parameters:

<Stop> float

Range: 300kHz to RFmax

Increment: 0.01Hz \*RST: 500 MHz Default unit: Hz

**Example:** FREQ:STOP 2 GHz

sets the stop frequency for the frequency sweep to 2 GHz.

FREQ:STAR 1 MHz

sets the start frequency for the frequency sweep to 1 MHz.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

## [:SOURce<hw>]:FREQuency:STEP[:INCRement] < Increment>

The command sets the step width for the frequency setting if the frequency values <code>UP/DOWN</code> are used and variation mode <code>SOUR:FREQ:STEP:MODE USER</code> is selected. The command is linked to "Variation Step" for manual control, i.e. the command also sets the step width of the rotary knob for "Variation Active" on.

#### Parameters:

<Increment> float

Range: 0Hz to RFmax - 100kHz

Increment: 0.01Hz \*RST: 1MHz

**Example:** FREQ:STEP 50 kHz

sets the step width for the frequency setting to 50 kHz.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:FREQuency:STEP:MODE <Mode>

This command activates (USER) or deactivates (DECimal) the user-defined step width used when varying the frequency value with the frequency values UP/DOWN. The command is linked to the command "Variation Active" for manual control, i.e. the command also activates/deactivates the user-defined step width used when varying the frequency value with the rotary knob.

#### Parameters:

<Mode> DECimal | USER

\*RST: DECimal

**Example:** FREQ:STEP 50 kHz

sets the step width for the frequency setting to 50 kHz.

FREQ:STEP:MODE USER

actives this step width for frequency variation with the rotary knob (manual control) and with frequency values UP/DOWN (remote

control).

# 7.14.8 SOURce: INPut Subsystem

The SOURce: INPut subsystem contains the commands for configuring the inputs for trigger, data and control signals. A common trigger threshold and input impedance is effective for all trigger and control signal inputs.

The settings influence the digital modulations, the generation of waveforms or multicarrier signals, and all digital standards. Irrespective of this, a common threshold and input impedance is effective for the serial and parallel data input (Path A only). These data sources are available for digital modulation ("Custom Digital Modulation").

| [:SOURce]:INPut:CLOCk:IMPedance            | 634 |
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| [:SOURce <hw>]:INPut:MODext:IMPedance</hw> |     |
| [:SOURce]:INPut:TRIGger:BBANd:SLOPe        | 635 |
| [:SOURce]:INPut:TRIGger:IMPedance          | 635 |
| [:SOURce]:INPut:TRIGger:LEVel              | 635 |
| [:SOURce]:INPut:TRIGger:SLOPe              | 636 |
| [:SOURce]:INPut:DELay:ADCState             | 636 |
| [:SOURce]:INPut:DELay:SPOSition            | 636 |
| [:SOURce]:INPut:DELay:CLENgth <ch></ch>    | 637 |
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## [:SOURce]:INPut:CLOCk:IMPedance < Impedance >

Selects the input impedance for the clock inputs. 1kOhm/GND should be selected for high clock rates.

The setting affects the CLOCK IN BNC connector at the rear of the instrument.

#### Parameters:

<Impedance> G50 | G1K

G1K

1 kOhm to ground

G50

50 Ohm to ground \*RST: G1K

Example: INP:CLOC:IMP G1K

sets the clock inputs to 1 kOhm to ground.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:INPut:MODext:IMPedance < Impedance>

Selects the impedance for external feed via the EXT MOD input.

#### Parameters:

<Impedance> HIGH | G600

HIGH

> 100 k0hm to ground

G600

600 0hm to ground \*RST: HIGH

**Example:** INP:MOD:IMP HIGH

the EXT MOD input is set to > 100 kOhm to ground.

## [:SOURce]:INPut:TRIGger:BBANd:SLOPe <Slope>

Sets the active slope of an externally applied trigger signal at the TRIGGER connectors. The setting is effective for both connectors at the same time.

Parameters:

<Slope> NEGative | POSitive

\*RST: POSitive

**Example:** INP:TRIG:BBAN:SLOP NEG

activates the falling slope of the external trigger signal at the

TRIGGER connectors.

#### [:SOURce]:INPut:TRIGger:IMPedance < Impedance >

The command sets the impedance of the trigger and control signal inputs and affects:

TRIGGER inputs

CLOCK inputs

Parameters:

<Impedance> G1K | G50

G1K

1 kOhm to ground

G50

50 Ohm to ground \*RST: G1K

**Example:** INP:TRIG:IMP G50

all trigger and control signal inputs are set to 50 ohm to ground. This setting is recommended in the case of high clock rates.

## [:SOURce]:INPut:TRIGger:LEVel <Level>

Sets the high/low threshold of the trigger and control signal inputs in the baseband section. In the case of positive polarity, this threshold determines the point as of which a signal is high (active) or low (inactive).

The command affects:

- TRIGGER inputs
- CLOCK inputs

Parameters:

<Level> float

Range: 0.01 to 2 Increment: 0.01 \*RST: 1 Default unit: V

**Example:** INP:TRIG:LEV 1 V

a high/low threshold of 1 volt is set at all trigger and control signal inputs of the baseband section. In the case of positive polarity, the signal is high (active) for a signal voltage of 1 volt and higher.

# [:SOURce]:INPut:TRIGger:SLOPe <Slope>

Sets the polarity of the active slope of an externally applied trigger signal at the trigger input (BNC connector at the rear of the instrument).

Parameters:

<Slope> NEGative | POSitive

\*RST: POSitive

**Example:** INP:TRIG:SLOP NEG

activates the falling slope of the external trigger signal at the trigger

input.

# [:SOURce]:INPut:DELay:ADCState <State>

Enables/disables the automatic delay compensation.

Parameters:

<State> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: 0

**Example:** see example for [:SOURce]:INPut:DELay:CLENgth<ch>

on page 637

#### [:SOURce]:INPut:DELay:SPOSition < Position>

Defines the position of the slave instrument in the daisy chain, where the slave directly connected to the master instrument is the one with number 1, etc.

Parameters:

<Position> integer

Range: 1 to 10

Increment: 1 \*RST: 1

**Example:** see example for [:SOURce]:INPut:DELay:CLENgth<ch>

on page 637

## [:SOURce]:INPut:DELay:CLENgth<ch> <CableLength>

Sets the total length of the cable used to connect the CLK OUT and CLK IN connectors. For the first slave in the chain, the value represents the cable length between the master and the first slave; for the second slave, the cable length to the first **and** to the second has to be defined, etc.

#### Parameters:

<CableLength> float

Range: 0 to 10 Increment: 0.01 \*RST: 0.5

**Example:** Setting in the first slave instrument Slave#1:

:SOURce:INPut:DELay:SPOSition 1 :SOURce:INPut:DELay:CLENgth1 1 :SOURce:INPut:DELay:ADCState ON

**Example:** Setting in the second slave instrument Slave#2:

:SOURce:INPut:DELay:SPOSition 2 :SOURce:INPut:DELay:CLENgth1 1 :SOURce:INPut:DELay:CLENgth2 0.5 :SOURce:INPut:DELay:ADCState ON

# 7.14.9 SOURce:IQ Subsystem

This subsystem contains the commands for checking the I/Q modulation.

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#### [:SOURce<hw>]:IQ:CREStfactor < CrestFactor>

This command specifies the crest factor of the external analog signal.

#### Parameters:

<CrestFactor> float

Range: 0 dB to 35 dB

Increment: 0.01dB \*RST: 0 dB Default unit: dB

**Example:** IQ:CRES 10

specifies a crest factor of 10 dB for the external analog signal.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:IQ:IMPairment:IQRatio[:MAGNitude] <Magnitude>

This command sets the ratio of I modulation to Q modulation (amplification "imbalance").

# Parameters:

<Magnitude> float

Range: -1.0dB to +1.0dB

Increment: 0.005dB \*RST: 0
Default unit: 0dB

**Example:** IQ:IMP:IQR 0.5 dB

sets the imbalance.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:IQ:IMPairment:LEAKage:I <|>

This command sets the carrier offset for the I-channel of the I/Q modulation.

#### Parameters:

<I> float

Range: -10 to 10 Increment: 0.02PCT \*RST: 0

Default unit: PCT

**Example:** IQ:IMP:LEAK:I 3 PCT

sets the leakage for the I-channel to 3 percent.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:IQ:IMPairment:LEAKage:Q <Q>

This command sets the carrier leakage amplitude for the Q-channel of the I/Q modulation.

#### Parameters:

<Q> float

Range: -10 to 10 Increment: 0.02PCT \*RST: 0PCT Default unit: PCT

**Example:** IQ:IMP:LEAK:Q 3 PCT

sets the leakage for the Q-channel to 3 percent.

# [:SOURce<hw>]:IQ:IMPairment:QUADrature:[ANGLe] <Angle>

This command sets the quadrature offset for the I/Q modulation.

Parameters:

<Angle> float

Range: -10.0DEG to 10.0DEG

Increment: 0.02DEG \*RST: 0DEG Default unit: DEG

Example: IQ:IMP:QUAD:ANGL -5DEG

sets the quadrature offset to -5 degrees.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:IQ:IMPairment[:STATe] <State>

The command activates (ON) and deactivates (OFF) the three impairment or correction values LEAKage, QUADrature and IQRatio for the analog signal in the I/Q modulator.

Parameters:

<State> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: OFF

**Example:** IQ:IMP OFF

deactivates I/Q impairment.

#### [:SOURce<hw>]:IQ:SOURce <Source>

This command selects the input signal for the I/Q modulator.

Selecting ANALog (Wideband I/Q In) switches off:

SOURce:AM:STATe OFF

SOURce:BBAM:STATe OFFSOURce:BB:DM:STATe OFF

SOURce:BB:<Dig. Standard>:STATe OFF

Parameters:

<Source> BASeband | ANALog

\*RST: BASeband

Example: IQ:SOUR ANAL

selects an external analog signal as the input signal. The signal

must be applied at the inputs I and Q.

#### [:SOURce<hw>]:IQ:STATe <State>

This command activates and deactivates I/Q modulation.

Parameters:

<State> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: OFF

Example: IQ:STAT ON

activates I/Q modulation.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:IQ:SWAP[:STATe] <State>

When set to ON, this command swaps the I and Q channel.

Parameters:

<State> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: OFF

Example: IQ:SWAP ON

swaps the I and Q channel.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:IQ:WBSTate <Wbstate>

This command selects optimized setting for wideband modulation signals (>5 MHz) (State ON).

Parameters:

<Wbstate> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: OFF

Example: IQ:WBST ON

activates optimized setting for wideband signals.

# 7.14.10 SOURce:IQ:OUTput Subsystem

## 7.14.10.1 Analog I/Q Outputs

This subsystem contains the commands for configuring the differential output.

For information about the required options, see chapter 5.6.3.2, "Analog I/Q Output", on page 265.

| [:SOURce <hw>]:IQ:OUTPut:BIAS:OPTimization[:RF]:STATe</hw> | 640 |
|--|-----|
| [:SOURce <hw>]:IQ:OUTPut:LEVel</hw>                        |     |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:IQ:OUTPut[:ANALog]:POWer:PEP</hw>           | 641 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:IQ:OUTPut[:ANALog]:POWer:PEP:RESult</hw>    |     |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:IQ:OUTPut:MODE</hw>                         | 641 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:IQ:OUTPut:POWer:DATTenuation</hw>           | 642 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:IQ:OUTPut:TYPE</hw>                         | 642 |

## [:SOURce<hw>]:IQ:OUTPut:BIAS:OPTimization[:RF]:STATe <State>

This command activates/deactivates optimization of level accuracy and imbalance for RF Output. Level accuracy and imbalance can be either optimized for RF output (active) or for differential outputs (not active).

Parameters:

<State> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: 0

**Example:** IQ:OUTP:BIAS:OPT:STAT ON

activates optimization for RF output.

[:SOURce<hw>]:IQ:OUTPut:LEVel <Level>

[:SOURce<hw>]:IQ:OUTPut[:ANALog]:POWer:PEP <Pep>

This command sets the off-load voltage.

Single ended Output:

Value range: 1 mV ... 1.5 V EMF.

**Differential Output:** 

• Value range: 2 mV ... 3 V EMF.

Parameters:

<Pep> float

Range: 0.02 to 2 Increment: 0.001 \*RST: 1 Default unit: V

**Example:** IQ:OUTP:POW:PEP 2 V

sets a off-load level of 2 V

## [:SOURce<hw>]:IQ:OUTPut[:ANALog]:POWer:PEP:RESult?

Displays the resulting output off-load voltage of both signal components at the rear panel.

Return values:

<Result> float

Range: 0.02 to 4 Increment: 0.001 \*RST: 1

**Usage:** Query only

# [:SOURce<hw>]:IQ:OUTPut:MODE <Mode>

This command selects the mode for setting the outputs.

Selection FIXed locks all IQ:OUTPut-commands except for IQ:OUTPut:TYPE and sets them to predefined values (\*RST).

Parameters:

<Mode> FIXed | VARiable | VATTenuated

**FIXed** 

The settings are fixed and cannot be changed. Single ended: IQ:OUTP:POW:PEP = 1V. Differential: IQ:OUTP:POW:PEP = 2V.

**VARiable** 

The settings can be changed (command [:SOURce<hw>]:IQ:

OUTPut[:ANALog]:POWer:PEP on page 641).

**VATTenuated** 

Enables a precise digital attenuation of the signal. The level of the baseband and the RF signal is attenuated by the value set with

the command [:SOURce<hw>]:IQ:OUTPut:POWer:

DATTenuation.
\*RST: FIXed

**Example:** SOUR: IQ:OUTP: MODE VAR

SOUR: IQ: OUTP: ANAL: POW: PEP 2V

## [:SOURce<hw>]:IQ:OUTPut:POWer:DATTenuation < DAttenuation>

The level of the baseband and the RF signal is attenuated by this value.

Parameters:

<DAttenuation> float

Range: -3.522 to 80

Increment: 1E-3
\*RST: 0
Default unit: dB

**Example:** SOUR: IQ: OUTP: MODE VATT

SOUR: IQ: OUTP: POW: DATT 10dB

The level of the baseband and RF signal is attenuated with 10dB.

# [:SOURce<hw>]:IQ:OUTPut:TYPE <Type>

This command selects the output type.

Parameters:

<Type> SINGle | DIFFerential

**SINGle** 

The I/Q-signal components are output single-ended.

**DIFFerential** 

The I/Q-signal components are output differential.

\*RST: SINGle

**Example:** IQ:OUTP:TYPE DIFF

the I/Q-signal components are output differential.

# 7.14.10.2 Digital I/Q Outputs

This subsystem contains the commands for configuring the digital I/Q output. The digital signal can be output with the aid of a standardized (LVDS) digital user interface.

For information about the required options, see chapter 5.7, "Digital I/Q Output Settings", on page 267.

| [:SOURce <hw>]:IQ:OUTPut:DIGital:CDEVice</hw>  | 643 |
|--|-----|
| [:SOURce]:IQ:OUTPut:DIGital:OFLow:HOLD:RESet   | 643 |
| [:SOURce]:IQ:OUTPut:DIGital:OFLow:HOLD:STATe   |     |
| [:SOURce]:IQ:OUTPut:DIGital:OFLow:STATe  | 644 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:IQ:OUTPut:DIGital:PON</hw>  | 644 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:IQ:OUTPut:DIGital:POWer:LEVel</hw>  |     |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:IQ:OUTPut:DIGital:POWer:PEP</hw>  | 645 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:IQ:OUTPut:DIGital:POWer:STEP[:INCRement]</hw>   |     |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:IQ:OUTPut:DIGital:POWer:STEP:MODE</hw>  | 646 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:IQ:OUTPut:POWer:VIA</hw>  | 646 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:IQ:OUTPut:DIGital:SRATe</hw>  |     |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:IQ:OUTPut:DIGital:SRATe:SOURce</hw>   |     |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:IQ:OUTPut:DIGital:STATe</hw>  |     |
| <ul> <li>A control of the contro</li></ul> |     |

## [:SOURce<hw>]:IQ:OUTPut:DIGital:CDEVice?

## Digital Output only.

This command indicates the ID of a connected R&S Instrument or R&S Device.

#### Return values:

<CDevice> string

**Example:** IQ:OUTP:DIG:CDEV?

queries the connected device ID.

Usage: Query only

# [:SOURce]:IQ:OUTPut:DIGital:OFLow:HOLD:RESet

This command executes a reset of the overflow hold state and LED.

**Example:** SOUR: IQ:OUTP:DIG:OFL:HOLD:RESet

resets the overflow hold state.

Usage: Event

## [:SOURce]:IQ:OUTPut:DIGital:OFLow:HOLD:STATe?

This command queries an overflow since the last reset. The overflow hold state can be reset via the Reset button next to the LED, or is reset automatically by starting a new signal generation or by setting new values to the output level.

Return values:

<State> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: C

**Example:** SOUR: IQ:OUTP:DIG:OFL:HOLD:STAT?

queries the overflow state. Response: "0" (no overflow)

Usage: Query only

# [:SOURce]:IQ:OUTPut:DIGital:OFLow:STATe?

This command queries the current overflow state of the output signal and indicates that the I/Q output signal is currently clipped.

Return values:

<State> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: 0

**Example:** IQ:OUTP:DIG:OFL:STAT?

queries the overflow state. Response: "0" (no overflow).

Usage: Query only

#### [:SOURce<hw>]:IQ:OUTPut:DIGital:PON <Pon>

This command selects the state which the digital I/Q Output is to assume after the instrument is switched on.

Parameters:

<Pon> OFF | UNCHanged

\*RST: OFF

**Example:** IQ:OUTP:DIG:PON OFF

deactivates the output when the instrument is switched on.

IQ:OUTP:DIG:PON UNCH

sets the output to the status that was active before the last switch

off.

Options: B13 and B18

## [:SOURce<hw>]:IQ:OUTPut:DIGital:POWer:LEVel <Level>

This command sets the rms level of the digital output signal. The level entry fields and the appropriate units (dBFS) are displayed in the status bar. The level display refers to both signal components ( $\sqrt{(l^2+Q^2)}$ ).

Parameters:

<Level> float

Range: -90 to 0 Increment: 0.01 \*RST: 0 Default unit: dBFs

**Example:** IQ:OUTP:DIG:POW:LEV -10

sets the output signal level to -10 dBFS.

Options: B13 and B18

# [:SOURce<hw>]:IQ:OUTPut:DIGital:POWer:PEP <Pep>

This command sets the peak envelope power of the digital output signal (PEP). The level entry fields and the appropriate units (dBFS) are displayed in the status bar. The level display refers to both signal components ( $\sqrt{(l^2+Q^2)}$ ).

#### Parameters:

<Pep> float

Range: -90 to 0
Increment: 0.01
\*RST: 0
Default unit: dBFS

**Example:** IQ:OUTP:DIG:POW:PEP -10

sets the signal output level to -10 dBFS.

Options: B13 and B18

## [:SOURce<hw>]:IQ:OUTPut:DIGital:POWer:STEP[:INCRement] < Increment>

The command sets the step width for the frequency setting if the frequency values <code>UP/DOWN</code> are used and variation mode <code>SOUR:IQ:OUTP:DIG:POW:STEP:MODE USER</code> is selected. The command is linked to "Variation Step" for manual operation, i.e. the command also sets the step width of the rotary knob for "Variation Active ON".

# Parameters:

<Increment> float

Range: 0 to 100 Increment: 0.01 \*RST: 1 Default unit: dB

**Example:** SOUR:IQ:OUTP:ANAL:POW:STEP:INCR 50 mV

sets the step width for the level setting to 50 mV.

Options: B13 and B18

## [:SOURce<hw>]:IQ:OUTPut:DIGital:POWer:STEP:MODE <Mode>

This command activates (USER) or deactivates (DECimal) the user-defined step width used when varying the level value with the level values UP/DOWN. The command is linked to setting **Variation Active** for manual operation, i.e. the command also activates/deactivates the user-defined step width used when varying the level value with the rotary knob.

Parameters:

<Mode> DECimal | USER

\*RST: DECimal

**Example:** IQ:OUTP:DIG:POW:STEP:MODE USER

actives the step width for level variation with the rotary knob (manual operation) and with level values UP/DOWN (remote control).

Options: B13 and B18

#### [:SOURce<hw>]:IQ:OUTPut:POWer:VIA <Via>

This command activates the selected I/Q output level entry fields of the currently selected signal path in the status bar.

#### Parameters:

<Via> PEP | LEVel

**PEP** 

The signal level is expressed in terms of a peak envelope power value (PEP). The level entry fields and the corresponding units are displayed in the status bar.

**LEVel** 

The signal level is expressed in terms of a rms value. The level entry field and the corresponding units are displayed in the status

bar.

\*RST: PEP

**Example:** IQ:OUTP:POW:VIA PEP

the I/Q-signal level is set via PEP for the signal of path A.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:IQ:OUTPut:DIGital:SRATe <SRate>

Using the sample rate source User the command sets the sample rate value of the output signal. This command is not active for external clock sources

#### Parameters:

<SRate> float

Range: 400 to 100 MHz

Increment: 0.01 Hz \*RST: 1E8

**Example:** IQ:OUTP:DIG:SRAT:MODE USER

with sample rate source User the internally generated clock ref-

erence signal is selected.

IQ:OUTP:DIG:SRAT 100 MHz

the sample rate for the output signal is set to 100 MHz.

Options: B13 and B18

## [:SOURce<hw>]:IQ:OUTPut:DIGital:SRATe:SOURce <Source>

This command selects the source for setting the sample rate of the digital I/Q output signal.

**Note:** With a connected R&S EX-IQ-Box either the internal clock source (User defined) or an external clock (Digital I/Q In) can be selected in the settings dialog of the R&S EX-IQ-Box. Therefore, the sample rate source is only indicated in this field.

#### Parameters:

<Source> USER | DIN | DOUT | USER | DOUT

**USER** 

The internally generated clock reference signal is used (option R&S SMBV-B13). The sample rate is calculated and displayed in the field "Value".

DOUT

An external clock reference signal is used. The clock signal is directly fed in via pin CLK2 of the digital output interface (option R&S SMBV-B18, Digital I/Q Out). The sample rate is displayed in the field "Value".

\*RST: USER

**Example:** IQ:OUTP:DIG:SRAT:SOUR USER

the internally generated clock reference signal is selected.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:IQ:OUTPut:DIGital:STATe <State>

This command switches on and off the digital I/Q output signals.

Parameters:

<State> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: 0

**Example:** IQ:OUTP:DIG:STAT ON

the digital I/Q output signals of path A are activated.

Options: B13 and B18

# 7.14.11 SOURce:LFOutput Subsystem

This subsystem contains the commands for setting the LF signal source in CW and Sweep mode as well as for analog modulation.

## **Example**

The following example shows how to set an LF sweep.

1. Set the sweep range.

```
LFOutput:FREQuency:STARt 4 kHz
LFOutput:FREQuency:STOP 10 kHz
```

Select linear or logarithmic sweep spacing.

```
LFOutput:SWEep[:FREQuency]:SPACing LIN
```

3. Set the step width and dwell time.

```
LFOutput:SWEep[:FREQuency]:STEP[:LINear] 100 Hz
LFOutput:SWEep[:FREQuency]:DWELl 20 ms
```

4. Determine the sweep mode.

```
LFOutput:SWEep:MODE AUTO
```

5. Determine the trigger.

```
TRIGger0:SOURce SINGle
```

6. Activate the sweep.

```
LFOutput:FREQuency:MODE SWEep
```

7. Trigger the sweep (depending on the mode).

LFOutput: SWEep: EXECute

| [:SOURce]:LFOutput:FREQuency                          | 648 |
|---|-----|
| [:SOURce]:LFOutput:FREQuency:MANual                   |     |
| [:SOURce]:LFOutput:FREQuency:MODE                     | 649 |
| [:SOURce]:LFOutput:FREQuency:STARt                    | 650 |
| [:SOURce]:LFOutput:FREQuency:STOP                     |     |
| [:SOURce]:LFOutput[:STATe]                            |     |
| [:SOURce]:LFOutput:SWEep[:FREQuency]:DWELI            |     |
| [:SOURce]:LFOutput:SWEep[:FREQuency]:EXECute          | 651 |
| [:SOURce]:LFOutput:SWEep[:FREQuency]:MODE             | 652 |
| [:SOURce]:LFOutput:SWEep[:FREQuency]:POINts           | 652 |
| [:SOURce]:LFOutput:SWEep[:FREQuency]:SHAPe            |     |
| [:SOURce]:LFOutput:SWEep[:FREQuency]:SPACing          | 653 |
| [:SOURce]:LFOutput:SWEep[:FREQuency]:STEP[:LINear]    |     |
| [:SOURce]:LFOutput:SWEep[:FREQuency]:STEP:LOGarithmic | 654 |
| [:SOURce]:LFOutput <ch>:SHAPe</ch>                    |     |
| [:SOURce]:LFOutput:SIMPedance                         |     |
| [:SOURce]:LFOutput:VOLTage                            |     |
|   |     |

## [:SOURce]:LFOutput:FREQuency < Frequency >

The command sets the frequency of the LF signal for CW mode (: SOUR: MODE CW mode). The setting is valid for all analog modulations (AM/FM/PhiM/Pulse) with internal modulation source.

In Sweep mode (SOUR: LFO: FREQ: MODE SWE), the frequency is linked to the sweep frequency.

Parameters:

<Frequency> float

Range: 0.1 Hz to 1 MHz

Increment: 0.1 Hz \*RST: 1 kHz Default unit: Hz

**Example:** LFO:FREQ 5kHz

sets the frequency of the LF signal to 5 kHz

## [:SOURce]:LFOutput:FREQuency:MANual < Manual >

In Sweep mode (SOUR: LFO: FREQ: MODE SWE) the command sets the frequency for the next sweep step in the "Step" sweep mode (SOUR: LFO: SWE: MODE MAN). Here only frequency values between the settings SOUR: LFO: FREQ: STAR and . . . : STOP are permitted. Each sweep step is triggered by a separate SOUR: LFO: FREQ: MAN command.

#### Parameters:

<Manual> float

Range: STARt to STOP

Increment: 0.1 Hz \*RST: 1 kHz

**Example:** LFO:SWE:MODE MAN

sets the "Step" sweep mode. LFO: FREQ: MAN 5 kHz

sets an LF frequency of 5 kHz for the next step in the "Step" sweep

mode.

LFO:FREQ:MODE SWE

sets the LF Sweep mode. An LF frequency of 5 kHz is output.

LFO:FREQ:MAN 5.1 kHz

triggers the next sweep step with a frequency of 5.1 kHz.

#### [:SOURce]:LFOutput:FREQuency:MODE <Mode>

The command sets the instrument operating mode and therefore also the commands used to set the output frequency.

Parameters:

<Mode> CW | FIXed | SWEep

**CW|FIXed** 

The instrument operates in fixed-frequency mode. CW and

FIXed are synonyms.

The output frequency is set with [:SOURce]:LFOutput:

FREQuency.

**SWEep** 

The instrument operates in SWEep mode. The frequency is set using the commands [:SOURce]:LFOutput:FREQuency:
STARt, [:SOURce]:LFOutput:FREQuency:STOP or [:

SOURce]: LFOutput: FREQuency: MANual.

\*RST: CW

**Example:** LFO:FREQ:MODE SWE

sets the SWEep mode. The settings under

SOURce: LFOutput: FREQuency: STARt; STOP; MANual

become effective.

## [:SOURce]:LFOutput:FREQuency:STARt <Start>

This command sets the start frequency for the LF Sweep mode.

Parameters:

<Start> float

Range: 0.1 Hz to 1 MHz

Increment: 0.1 Hz \*RST: 1 kHz

Example: RST\*

activates all presettings. LFO: SWE: MODE AUTO

sets the AUTO sweep mode, i.e. each trigger triggers a complete

sweep.

TRIGO:SOUR SING

sets the SINGle trigger mode, i.e. the sweep is triggered by the

command :LFOutput:SWEep:EXECute or \*TRG.

LFO:FREQ:STAR 100 kHz

sets the start frequency for the LF sweep to 100 kHz.

LFO:FREQ:STOP 200 kHz

sets the stop frequency of the LF sweep to 200 kHz.

LFO: FREQ: MODE SWE sets the LF sweep mode.

LFO:SWE:EXEC

a one-off LF sweep from 100 kHz to 200 kHz is performed. The linear step width is 1 kHz with a dwell time of 15 ms (preset values).

#### [:SOURce]:LFOutput:FREQuency:STOP <Stop>

This command sets the stop frequency for the LF sweep.

Parameters:

<Stop> float

Range: 0.1 Hz to 1 MHz

Increment: 0.1 Hz \*RST: 50 kHz

**Example:** LFO:FREQ:STOP 200 kHz

sets the stop frequency for the LF sweep to 200 kHz.

LFO:FREQ:STAR 100 kHz

sets the start frequency for the LF sweep to 100 kHz.

# [:SOURce]:LFOutput[:STATe] <State>

The command activates/deactivates the LF output.

Parameters:

<State> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: OFF

Example: LFO ON

activates the LF output. The settings under LFO: FREQ and

LFO: SWE become effective.

#### [:SOURce]:LFOutput:SWEep[:FREQuency]:DWELI < Dwell>

The command sets the dwell time for each frequency step of the sweep.

**Tip:** It is recommended to switch off the "GUI Update" for optimum sweep performance especially with short dwell times (SYSTem:DISPlay:UPDate OFF).

## Parameters:

<Dwell> float

Range: 10.0E-3 to 100 Increment: 100.0E-6 \*RST: 10.0E-3

Default unit: s

**Example:** LFO:SWE:DWEL 20 ms

sets a dwell time of 20 ms.

#### [:SOURce]:LFOutput:SWEep[:FREQuency]:EXECute

The command immediately starts an LF sweep.

The MODE setting ([:SOURce]:LFOutput:SWEep[:FREQuency]:MODE) determines which sweep is executed, e.g. SOURce:LFOutput:SWEep:FREQuency:MODE STEP.

The command corresponds to the manual-control Execute Single Sweep - LF Sweep.

**Example:** LFO:SWE:MODE SING

sets the single cycle mode of the LF sweep.

LFO:SWE:EXEC

starts one cycle of the LF sweep.

Usage: Event

## [:SOURce]:LFOutput:SWEep[:FREQuency]:MODE <Mode>

The command sets the cycle mode of the LF sweep.

The assignment of the GPIB commands to the sweep modes is given in the description of the sweep menus.

#### Parameters:

<Mode> AUTO | MANual | STEP

#### **AUTO**

Each trigger triggers exactly one complete sweep.

#### **MANual**

The trigger system is not active. Each frequency step of the sweep is triggered individually, either by varying the "Current Frequency" value using the rotary knob under manual control or by means of a : LFOutput: FREQ: MAN command under remote control.

With manual control, the frequency increases or decreases (depending on the direction of the rotary encoder) by the value specified under SOUR: LFO: SWE: FREQ: STEP: LIN (linear spacing) or ...: STEP: LOG (logarithmic spacing).

With remote control, the frequency increases by the value specified under LFO: SWE: FREQ: STEP: LIN | LOG which each sent [:SOURce]: LFOutput: FREQuency: MANual command, irrespective the value entered there.

# **STEP**

Each trigger triggers one sweep step only. The frequency increases by the value entered under

[SOURce:]LFOutput:SWEep:STEP.

\*RST: AUTO

**Example:** LFO:SWE:MODE AUTO

selects Mode Auto.

## [:SOURce]:LFOutput:SWEep[:FREQuency]:POINts <Points>

The command sets the number of steps in an LF sweep.

The command is linked to the command :LFOutput:SWEep[:FREQuency]:STEP as follows:

for linear sweeps and STARt < STOP</li>

```
POINts = ((STOP-STARt) / STEP:LIN) + 1
```

for logarithmic sweeps and STARt < STOP</li>

```
POINts = ((log STOP - log STARt) / log STEP:LOG) + 1
```

If POINTS changes, the value of STEP is adjusted. The START and STOP value is retained.

Two separate POINts values are used for linear or logarithmic sweep spacing (LFOutput: SWEep[:FREQuency]:SPACing LIN | LOG). The command is always effective for the currently set sweep spacing.

## Parameters:

<Points> float

Increment: 1 \*RST: 100

**Example:** LFO:FREQ:STAR

sets the start frequency to 2 kHz.

LFO: FREQ: STOP

sets the stop frequency to 20 kHz

LFO:SWE:SPAC LIN sets linear sweep spacing. LFO:SWE:POIN 11

sets 11 sweep steps for linear sweep spacing. The sweep step

width (STEP) is automatically set to 2 kHz.

## [:SOURce]:LFOutput:SWEep[:FREQuency]:SHAPe <Shape>

The command sets the cycle mode for a sweep sequence (shape).

#### Parameters:

<Shape> SAWTooth | TRlangle

**SAWTooth** 

One sweep runs from start to stop frequency. Each subsequent sweep starts at the start frequency, i.e. the shape of the sweep sequence recombles a sawtooth

sequence resembles a sawtooth.

**TRlangle** 

One sweep runs from start to stop frequency and back, i.e. the shape of the sweep resembles a triangle. Each subsequent sweep starts at the start frequency.

\*RST: SAWTooth

**Example:** SOUR:LFO:SWE:SHAP TRI

selects the sweep cycle with alternating ascending and descend-

ing sweep directions.

## [:SOURce]:LFOutput:SWEep[:FREQuency]:SPACing <Spacing>

The command selects linear or logarithmic sweep spacing.

Parameters:

<Spacing> LINear | LOGarithmic

\*RST: LINear

Example: LFO:SWE:SPAC LIN

selects linear sweep spacing.

## [:SOURce]:LFOutput:SWEep[:FREQuency]:STEP[:LINear] <Linear>

The command sets the step width for the linear sweep.

This command is linked to the com-

mand: LFOutput: SWEep[:FREQuency]: POINts as follow.

• for STARt < STOP: POINts = (((STOP-STARt) / STEP:LIN) + 1

If STEP:LIN changes, the value of POINTs is adjusted. The STARt and STOP value is retained.

#### Parameters:

<Linear> float

Range: 0 to STOP-STARt

Increment: 0.1 Hz

**Example:** LFO:FREQ:STAR

sets the start frequency to 2 kHz.

LFO: FREQ: STOP

sets the stop frequency to 20 kHz.

LFO:SWE:SPAC LIN sets linear sweep spacing. LFO:SWE:STEP 2 kHz

sets the sweep step width to 2 kHz. The number of sweep steps for linear sweep spacing (POINts) is automatically set to 11.

## [:SOURce]:LFOutput:SWEep[:FREQuency]:STEP:LOGarithmic <Logarithmic>

The command specifies the step width factor for logarithmic sweeps. The next frequency value of a sweep is calculated (for STARt < STOP) using the following formula:

New frequency = Old frequency + STEP: LOG x Old frequency

STEP: LOG therefore gives the fraction of the old frequency. The frequency is increased by this fraction for the next sweep step. Usually STEP: LOG is given in percent, whereby the suffix PCT must always be used.

The command is linked to the command : LFOutput: SWEep[:FREQuency]: POINts as follows:

• for logarithmic sweeps and STARt < STOP: POINts = ((log STOP - log STARt) / log STEP:LOG) + 1

If STEP: LOG changes, the value of POINTs is adjusted. The STARt and STOP value is retained.

Parameters:

<Logarithmic> float

Range: 0.01PCT to 100PCT

Increment: 0.01PCT

\*RST: 1

**Example:** LFO:FREQ:STAR

sets the start frequency to 1 kHz.

LFO: FREQ: STOP

sets the stop frequency to 100 kHz.

LFO:SWE:SPAC LOG

sets logarithmic sweep spacing.
LFO:SWE:STEP:LOG 10PCT

sets the step width for logarithmic sweep spacing to 10% of the

previous frequency in each instance.

#### [:SOURce]:LFOutput<ch>:SHAPe <Shape>

The command selects the shape of the LF generator.

The instrument is equipped with one LF geneator only and the suffix has no impact.

Parameters:

<Shape> SINE | SQUare

\*RST: SINE

Example: LFO:SHAP SQU

selects a rectangular shape for the signal of the LF generator.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

# [:SOURce]:LFOutput:SIMPedance <Simpedance>

The command selects the output impedance of the LF generator. Selection LOW and 600 Ohm are available.

For instruments with older version of the RF board, the LF output impedance is forced to LOW and cannot be changed.

Parameters:

<Simpedance> LOW | G600

\*RST: LOW|

**Example:** SOUR:LFO:SIMP G600

'sets the output impedance of the LF generator to 600 Ohms

# [:SOURce]:LFOutput:VOLTage <Voltage>

The command sets the output voltage of the LF output.

Parameters:

<Voltage> float

Range: 0 to 4
Increment: 0.001
\*RST: 1
Default unit: V

**Example:** LFO:VOLT 3 V

sets the voltage of the LF output to 3 V.

# 7.14.12 SOURce:LIST Subsystem

This subsystem contains the commands for the List mode of the instrument.

The following settings are required to operate the instrument in List mode:

1. Create a list.

If a list which does not exist is selected with the :LIST:SEL command, an empty list with the name of the selected list is created.

```
SOURce1:LIST:SEL "New_list"
```

2. Fill the list with values.

All list components must be of the same length. This does not apply to components of length 1. This is interpreted as if the component has the same length as the other components and as if all values are the same as the first value.

```
SOURce1:LIST:FREQ 100 MHz, 110 MHz, 120 MHz...
SOURce1:LIST:POW 2dBm, -1dBm, 0dBm...
```

3. Select a list.

If a new empty file has been created with the :LIST:SEL command, this file is selected, otherwise an existing list must be selected before the List mode is activated. SOURcel:LIST:SEL "Old list"

4. Set the dwell time.

The dwell time determines the duration of the individual list steps.

```
SOURce1:LIST:DWEL1 3ms
```

5. Set the List mode.

The List mode determines the way in which the list is processed. In the example the list is processed once only or repeatedly depending on the trigger setting.

```
SOURcel:LIST:MODE AUTO
```

6. Determine the trigger.

In the example each trigger causes the list to be processed once from beginning to end.

```
SOURce:LIST:TRIGger:SOURce SINGle
```

7. Activate the List mode.

```
SOURcel:FREQuency:MODE LIST
```

8. Trigger the list (depending on the mode).

SOURce1:LIST:TRIGger:EXECute

9. Deactivate the List mode.

SOURce1:FREQuency:MODE CW



SCPI refers to the individual lists as segments.

| [:SOURce <hw>]:LIST:CATalog</hw>                           | 657 |
|--|-----|
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| [:SOURce <hw>]:LIST:DELete:ALL</hw>                        | 658 |
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| [:SOURce <hw>]:LIST:DEXChange:AFILe:SELect</hw>            | 660 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:LIST:DEXChange:AFILe:SEParator:COLumn</hw>  | 660 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:LIST:DEXChange:AFILe:SEParator:DECimal</hw> | 661 |
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# [:SOURce<hw>]:LIST:CATalog?

The command requests a list of available lists. The individual lists are separated by commas

The lists are stored with the fixed file extensions \*.lsw in a directory of the user's choice. The directory applicable to the commands is defined with the command MMEMory: CDIR.

# Return values:

<Catalog> string

**Example:** MMEM:CDIR '/var/smbv/Lists/Listmode'

selects the directory for the list mode files.

LIST:CAT?

queries the available lists.
Response: 'list1, list2'

the lists list1 and list2 are available.

Usage: Query only

# [:SOURce<hw>]:LIST:DELete < Delete>

The command deletes the specified list.

The files are stored with the fixed file extensions \*.lsw in a directory of the user's choice. The directory applicable to the command is defined with the command MMEMory:CDIR. To access the files in this directory, only the file name has to be given, without the path and the file extension. A path can also be specified in command:SOUR:LIST:CAT?, in which case the file in the specified directory is deleted.

\*RST does not affect data lists.

#### Setting parameters:

<Delete> < list file name>

**Example:** MMEM:CDIR '/var/smbv/Lists/Listmode'

selects the directory for the list mode files.

LIST: DEL 'LIST1' deletes the list list1.

**Usage:** Setting only

#### [:SOURce<hw>]:LIST:DELete:ALL

The command deletes all lists in the set directory. The List mode must be deactivated beforehand to ensure that no lists are selected when this command is called (SOUR: FREQ: MODE CW or SWE).

The files are stored with the fixed file extensions \*.lsw in a directory of the user's choice. The directory applicable to the command is defined with the command MMEMory:CDIR. A path can also be specified in command SOUR:LIST:CAT?, in which case all list mode files in the specified directory are deleted.

\*RST does not affect data lists.

**Example:** MMEM:CDIR '/var/smbv/Lists/Listmode'

selects the directory for the list mode files.

FREQ: MODE SWE

deactivates the List mode for RF output and activates the Sweep

mode.

SOUR2:FREQ:MODE SWE

deactivates the List mode for RF output and activates Sweep

mode.

LIST: DEL: ALL

deletes all list mode files available in the set directory.

Usage: Event

## [:SOURce<hw>]:LIST:DEXChange:AFILe:CATalog?

The command requests a list of available ASCII files for export/import of list mode data. The individual files are separated by commas.

The ASCII files are stored with the fixed file extensions \*.txt or \*.csv in a directory of the user's choice. The directory applicable to the commands is defined with the command MMEMory:CDIR.

Return values:

<Catalog> string

**Example:** MMEM:CDIR '/var/smbv/lists/listmode/import'

selects the directory for the ASCII files with frequency and level

value pairs.

LIST:DEXC:AFIL:EXT TXT

selects that ASCII files with extension \*.txt are listed.

LIST:DEXC:AFIL:CAT?

queries the available files with extension \*.txt.

Response: 'list1, list2'

the ASCII files list1.txt and list2.txt are available.

Usage: Query only

#### [:SOURce<hw>]:LIST:DEXChange:AFILe:EXTension < Extension >

The command selects the file extension of the ASCII file to be imported or exported. Selection TXT (text file) or CSV (Excel file) is available.

Parameters:

<Extension> TXT | CSV

\*RST: TXT

**Example:** MMEM:CDIR '/var/smbv/lists/listmode/import'

selects the directory for the ASCII files with frequency and level

value pairs.

LIST: DEXC: AFIL: EXT TXT

selects that ASCII files with extension \*.txt are listed.

LIST:DEXC:AFIL:CAT?

queries the available files with extension \*.txt.

Response: 'list1, list2'

the ASCII files list1.txt and list2.txt are available.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:LIST:DEXChange:AFILe:SELect <Select>

The command selects the ASCII file to be imported or exported.

The ASCII files are stored with the fixed file extensions \*.txt or \*.csv in a directory of the user's choice. The directory applicable to the commands is defined with the command MMEMory:CDIR. A path can also be specified in command

SOUR: LIST: DEXC: AFIL: SEL, in which case the files are stored or loaded in the specified directory.

#### Parameters:

<Select> <ascii\_file\_name>

**Example:** LIST:DEXC:MODE IMP

selects that ASCII files with frequency and level value pairs are

imported and transferred into list mode lists.

LIST:DEXC:AFIL:SEL

'/var/smbv/user/listmode/import/list.csv'

selects that ASCII file list.csv is imported.

LIST:DEXC:SEL

'/var/smbv/user/listmode/import/list imp'

selects that the ASCII file list.csv is imported into list mode list

list\_imp.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:LIST:DEXChange:AFILe:SEParator:COLumn < Column>

The command selects the separator between the frequency and level column of the ASCII table.

## Parameters:

<Column> TABulator | SEMicolon | COMMa | SPACe

\*RST: COMMa

**Example:** LIST: DEXC: MODE EXP

selects that the list mode list is exported into an ASCII file.

LIST: DEXC: AFIL: SEL

'/var/smbv/user/listmode/import/list.csv'

selects ASCII file list.csv as destination for the list mode list

data.

LIST:DEXC:AFIL:SEP:COL TAB

the pairs of frequency and level values are separated by a tabu-

lator.

LIST: DEXC: AFIL: SEP: DEC DOT selects the decimal separator dot.

LIST: DEXC: SEL

'/var/smbv/user/listmode/import/list\_imp'

selects that the list mode list list imp is imported into ASCII file

list.csv.

# [:SOURce<hw>]:LIST:DEXChange:AFILe:SEParator:DECimal < Decimal>

The command the decimal separator used in the ASCII data between '.' (decimal point) and ',' (comma) with floating-point numerals.

#### Parameters:

<Decimal> DOT | COMMa

\*RST: DOT

**Example:** LIST: DEXC: MODE EXP

selects that the list mode list is exported into an ASCII file.

LIST:DEXC:AFIL:SEL

'/var/smbv/user/listmode/import/list.csv'

selects ASCII file list.csv as destination for the list mode list

data.

LIST: DEXC: AFIL: SEP: COL TAB

the pairs of frequency and level values are separated by a tabu-

lator.

LIST: DEXC: AFIL: SEP: DEC DOT selects the decimal separator dot.

LIST:DEXC:SEL

'root/var/smbv/user/listmode/import/list\_imp'

selects that the list mode list list imp is imported into ASCII file

list.csv.

#### [:SOURce<hw>]:LIST:DEXChange:EXECute

The command starts the export or import of the selected file. When import is selected, the ASCII file is imported as list mode list. When export is selected, the list mode list is exported into the selected ASCII file.

**Example:** LIST: DEXC: MODE IMP

selects that ASCII files with frequency and level value pairs are

imported and transferred into list mode lists.

LIST:DEXC:AFIL:SEL

'/var/smbv/user/listmode/import/list.csv'

selects that ASCII file list.csv is imported.

LIST: DEXC: SEL

'/var/smbv/user/listmode/import/list\_imp'
selects that the ASCII file list.csv is imported into list mode list

list imp.

LIST: DEXC: EXEC

starts the import of the ASCII file data into the list mode file.

Usage: Event

## [:SOURce<hw>]:LIST:DEXChange:MODE <Mode>

The command selects if list mode lists should be imported or exported. Depending on the selection her, the file select command define either the source or the destination for list mode lists and ASCII files.

#### Parameters:

<Mode> IMPort | EXPort

\*RST: IMPort

**Example:** LIST: DEXC: MODE IMP

selects that ASCII files with frequency and level value pairs are

imported and transferred into list mode lists.

LIST:DEXC:AFIL:SEL

'/var/smbv/user/listmode/import/list.csv'

selects that ASCII file list.csv is imported.

LIST:DEXC:SEL

'root/var/smbv/user/listmode/import/list imp'

selects that the ASCII file list.csv is imported into list mode list

list imp.

# [:SOURce<hw>]:LIST:DEXChange:SELect <Select>

The command selects the list mode list to be imported or exported.

The list mode files are stored with the fixed file extensions \*.lsw in a directory of the user's choice. The directory applicable to the commands is defined with the command MMEMory:CDIR. A path can also be specified in command SOUR:LIST:DEXC:SEL, in which case the files are stored or loaded in the specified directory.

#### Parameters:

<Select> list\_name>

**Example:** LIST:DEXC:MODE IMP

selects that ASCII files with frequency and level value pairs are

imported and transferred into list mode lists.

LIST:DEXC:AFIL:SEL

'/var/smbv/user/listmode/import/list.csv'

selects that ASCII file list.csv is imported.

LIST: DEXC: SEL

'/var/smbv/user/listmode/import/list\_imp'

selects that the ASCII file list.csv is imported into list mode list

list imp.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:LIST:DWELI <Dwell>

The command sets the time for which the instrument retains a setting.

#### Parameters:

<Dwell> float

Range: 0.5 ms to 100 s

Increment: 1E-4 \*RST: 10.0 ms

Default unit: s

Example: LIST: DWEL 15

each setting in the list is retained for 15 ms.

# [:SOURce<hw>]:LIST:FREE?

This command queries on the free storage space for list mode lists.

#### Return values:

<Free> integer

Range: 0 to INT\_MAX

Increment: 1 \*RST: 0

**Example:** LIST: FREE?

Usage: Query only

Response: 2147483647;1

# [:SOURce<hw>]:LIST:FREQuency <Frequency>

The command fills the FREQuency part of the selected list with data.

\*RST does not affect data lists.

Parameters:

<Frequency> <Frequency#1>{, <Frequency#2>, ...} | block data

The data can be given either as a list of numbers (list can be of any length and list entries must be separated by commas) or as binary block data. When block data is transferred, 8 (4) bytes are always interpreted as a floating-point number with double accu-

racy (see : FORMat [:DATA] on page 464).

Range: 300 kHz to RFmax (RFmax depending on model)

**Example:** LIST:SEL '/var/smbv/Lists/Listmode/list3'

selects list3 for editing. List3 is created if it does not yet exist. SOUR: LIST: FREQ 1.4GHz, 1.3GHz, 1.2GHz,...

specifies the frequency values in list3. If the list already contains

data, it is overwritten.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

# [:SOURce<hw>]:LIST:FREQuency:POINts?

The command queries the length (in points) of the FREQuency component of the selected list.

Return values:

<Points> float

**Example:** LIST:SEL '/var/smbv/Lists/Listmode/list3'

selects list3 for editing. List3 is created if it does not yet exist.

LIST: FREQ: POIN?

queries the number of frequency values in list3.

Response: 327

list3 has 327 frequency entries.

Usage: Query only

## [:SOURce<hw>]:LIST:INDex <Index>

The command sets the list index in step mode (LIST: MODE STEP).

After the trigger signal the frequency and level settings of the selected index are processed in List mode.

Parameters:

<Index> float

\*RST: 0

**Example:** LIST:SEL '/var/smbv/Lists/Listmode/list3'

selects list3 for use in List mode.

FREQ:MODE LIST

activates List mode. List3 is processed.

LIST:MODE STEP

selects manual, step-by-step processing of the list.

LIST: IND 5

the frequency/level value pair with index 5 is executed.

TRIG:LIST:SOUR SING

selects triggering by means of the single trigger. The list is exe-

cuted once.

SOUR:LIST:TRIG:EXEC

triggers the processing of the selected list.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:LIST:INDex:STARt <Start>

The command sets the start index of the index range which defines a subgroup of frequency/level value pairs in the current list. Only the values in the set index range (:LIST:INDex:STARt ... :LIST:INDex:STOP) are processed in List mode.

#### Parameters:

<Start> float

Range: 0 to list length

\*RST: 0

**Example:** LIST:SEL '/var/smbv/Lists/Listmode/list3'

selects list3 for use in List mode.

LIST: IND: STAR 25

sets 25 as start index of the index range.

LIST: IND: STOP 49

sets 49 as stop index of the index range.

FREQ:MODE LIST

activates List mode. The frequency/level value pairs from index 25 to index 49 in list3 are processed. All other entries of the list are

ignored.

#### [:SOURce<hw>]:LIST:INDex:STOP <Stop>

The command sets the stop index of the index range which defines a subgroup of frequency/level value pairs in the current list. Only the values in the set index range (:LIST:INDex:STARt ...:LIST:INDex:STOP) are processed in List mode.

# Parameters:

<Stop> float

Range: 0 to list length

\*RST: 0

**Example:** LIST:SEL '/var/smbv/Lists/Listmode/list3'

selects list3 for use in List mode.

LIST: IND: STAR 25

sets 25 as start index of the index range.

LIST: IND: STOP 49

sets 49 as stop index of the index range.

FREQ: MODE LIST

activates List mode. The frequency/level value pairs from index 25 to index 49 in list3 are processed. All other entries of the list are

ignored.

#### [:SOURce<hw>]:LIST:LEARn

The command learns the selected list, i.e. it determines the hardware setting for the entire list. The data determined in this way is stored together with the list. When the list is activated for the first time, these settings are calculated automatically.

**Example:** LIST:SEL '/var/smbv/Lists/Listmode/list3'

selects list3. List3 is created if it does not yet exist.

LIST: LEAR

starts learning of the hardware setting for list3 and stores the set-

ting.

Usage: Event

## [:SOURce<hw>]:LIST:MODE <Mode>

The command specifies how the list is to be processed (similar to SOURce: SWEep: MODE).

Parameters:

Example:

<Mode> AUTO | STEP

AUTO

Each trigger event triggers a complete list cycle. Possible trigger settings for :LIST:TRIGGER:SOURCE are AUTO, SINGLE and

EXT.

**STEP** 

\*RST:

Each trigger event triggers only one step in the list processing

cycle. The list is processed in ascending order.

Possible trigger settings for :LIST:TRIGger:SOURce are

SINGle and EXT

LIST:MODE STEP

selects step-by-step processing of the list.

**AUTO** 

**Usage:** SCPI confirmed

#### [:SOURce<hw>]:LIST:POWer <Power>

The command fills the Level part of the selected list with data.

\*RST does not affect data lists.

Parameters:

<Power> <Power#1>{, <Power#2>, ...} | block data

The data can be given either as a list of numbers (list can be of any length and list entries must be separated by commas) or as binary block data. When block data is transferred, 8 (4) bytes are always interpreted as a floating-point number with double accu-

racy (see : FORMat [:DATA] on page 464).

Range: Minimum level to Maximum level

Default unit: dBm

**Example:** LIST:SEL '/var/smbv/Lists/Listmode/list3'

selects list3 for editing. List3 is created if it does not yet exist.

LIST: POW OdBm, 2dBm, 2dBm, 3dBm,...

specifies the level values in list3. The number of level values must correspond to the number of frequency values. The previous

data is overwritten.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

## [:SOURce<hw>]:LIST:POWer:POINts?

The command queries the length (in points) of the LEVel part of the selected list.

Return values:

<points> float

**Example:** LIST:SEL '/var/smbv/Lists/Listmode/list3'

selects list3 for editing. List3 is created if it does not yet exist.

LIST: POW: POIN?

queries the number of levels in list3.

Response: 327

LIST2 has 327 level entries.

**Usage:** Query only

SCPI confirmed

## [:SOURce<hw>]:LIST:RESet

The command resets the list to the starting point.

**Example:** LIST:RES

resets the list to the starting point.

Usage: Event

## [:SOURce<hw>]:LIST:SELect <Select>

The command selects the specified list. If a new list is to be created, the name can be entered here. The list is created if it does not yet exist. The list selected here is available for the further processing steps (editing) and is used in the instrument when the List mode is activated.

The files are stored with the fixed file extensions \*.lsw in a directory of the user's choice. The directory applicable to the command is defined with the command MMEMory:CDIR. A path can also be specified in command:SOUR:LIST:SEL in which case the list mode file in the specified directory is selected.

\*RST does not affect data lists.

Parameters:

<Select> 't name>'

**Example:** LIST:SEL '/var/smbv/Lists/Listmode/list3'

selects list3 for editing. List3 is created if it does not yet exist.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:LIST:TRIGger:EXECute

The command immediately starts the processing of a list in list mode. It corresponds to the manual-control command "Execute Single."

**Example:** SOUR:LIST:TRIG:EXEC

triggers the processing of the selected list.

Usage: Event

## [:SOURce<hw>]:LIST:TRIGger:SOURce <Source>

The command sets the trigger source for the LIST mode.

The names of the parameters correspond to those under sweep mode. SCPI uses other names for the parameters; these names are also accepted by the instrument. The SCPI names should be used if compatibility is an important consideration. An overview of the various names is given in the following table:

| R&S name | SCPI name | Command under manual control          |
|----------|-----------|---------------------------------------|
| AUTO     | IMMediate | MODE AUTO                             |
| SINGle   | BUS       | MODE SINGLE or STEP                   |
| EXTernal | EXTernal  | MODE EXT TRIG SINGLE OF EXT TRIG STEP |

#### Parameters:

<Source> AUTO | IMMediate | SINGle | BUS | EXTernal

### **AUTO|IMMediate**

The trigger is free-running, i.e. the trigger condition is fulfilled continuously. The selected list in List mode is restarted as soon as it

is finished.
SINGle|BUS

The list is triggered by the GPIB commands [:SOURce<hw>]:

LIST: TRIGger: EXECute. The list is executed once.

**EXTernal** 

The list is triggered externally via the INST TRIG connector. The

list is executed once.

\*RST: SINGle

Example: LIST:TRIG:SOUR EXT

selects triggering by means of the external trigger.

## 7.14.13 SOURce: MODulation Subsystem

This subsystem contains the command for switching on/off all modulations.

### [:SOURce<hw>]:MODulation[:ALL]:STATe <State>

The command switches the modulations on and off.

The command SOUR: MOD: ALL: STAT OFF switches all modulations off. A subsequent command SOUR: MOD: ALL: STAT ON restores the status that was active before the last switch-off. "MOD OFF" is displayed in the info line of the header next to the "Level" field.

### Parameters:

switches off all modulations.

## 7.14.14 SOURce:PGEN Subsystem

This subsystem contains the commands for setting the pulse generator.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:PGEN:STATe <State>

The command activates/deactivates the output of the video/sync signal at the PULSE VIDEO connector at the rear of the instrument.

The signal output and the pulse generator are automatically switched on with activation of pulse modulation if pulse generator is selected as modulation source. The signal output can be switched off subsequently.

Parameters:

<State> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: OFF

Example: PULM: SOUR INT

selects the internal pulse generator as source for pulse modulation

PULM:STAT ON

activates pulse modulation. The pulse generator and the output of the signals at the PULSE VIDEO connector are automatically acti-

vated in addition.
PGEN:STAT OFF

deactivates the output of the pulse signal by the pulse generator at the PULSE VIDEO connector. The pulse modulation of the RF carrier must be activated with command SOURCE: PULM: STATE.

Usage: SCPI confirmed
Options: R&S SMBV-K23

## 7.14.15 SOURce:PHASe Subsystem

This subsystem contains the commands for adjusting the phase of the RF output signal relative to a reference signal of the same frequency.

| [:SOURce <hw>]</hw> | ]:PHASe           | 670 |
|---------------------|-------------------|-----|
| [:SOURce <hw></hw>  | ]:PHASe:REFerence | 670 |

### [:SOURce<hw>]:PHASe <Phase>

The command specifies the phase variation relative to the current phase. The variation can be specified in RADians.

### Parameters:

<Phase> float

Range: -359.9 to 359.9

Increment: 0.1 deg \*RST: 0.0 deg

**Example:** PHAS 2DEG

changes the phase by 2 degrees relative to the current phase.

PHAS:REF

adopts the set phase as the current phase.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

### [:SOURce<hw>]:PHASe:REFerence

The command adopts the phase set with SOURce: PHASe: ADJust as the current phase.

Example: PHAS 0.1RAD

changes the phase by 0.1 RAD relative to the current phase.

PHAS: REF

adopts the set phase as the current phase.

Usage: Event

SCPI confirmed

## 7.14.16 SOURce:PM Subsystem

The PM subsystem contains the commands for checking the phase modulation. The settings for the internal modulation source (LF generator) are made in the SOURce:LFOutput subsystem.

For information about the required options, see chapter 5.4.12.4, "Phase Modulation (PhiM)", on page 196.

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| [:SOURce <hw>]:PM:SOURce</hw>            | 673 |
| [:SOURce <hw>]:PM:STATe</hw>             |     |

## [:SOURce<hw>]:PM[:DEViation] < Deviation>

The command sets the modulation deviation of the phase modulation in RAD. The maximal deviation depends on the RF frequency set and the selected modulation mode (see data sheet).

The deviation of the internal source must not exceed the deviation of the external source in case of modulation source "Int+Ext" (PM: SOURce INT, EXT).

## Parameters:

<Deviation> float

Range: 0 to 20 Increment: See data sheet

\*RST: 1
Default unit: RAD

Example: PM 5

sets the PM modulation deviation to 5 RAD

**Usage:** SCPI confirmed

## [:SOURce<hw>]:PM:EXTernal:COUPling <Coupling>

The command selects the coupling mode for the external modulation input in the case of phase modulation.

**Note:** Coupling for external feed via input EXT MOD can be set independently for modulations AM, PM and PhiM.

**Note:** Coupling for external feed via input FM/PM EXT can be set independently for modulations PM and PhiM.

Parameters:

<Coupling> AC | DC

AC

The DC voltage component is disconnected from the modulation

signal.

DC

The modulation signal is not changed.

\*RST: AC

**Example:** PM:EXT:COUP AC

selects the coupling mode AC for external phase modulation.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

## [:SOURce<hw>]:PM:MODE <Mode>

The command selects the mode for the phase modulation.

Parameters:

<Mode> HBANdwidth | HDEViation | LNOise

## **HBANdwidth**

The maximum range for modulation bandwidth is available. However, phase noise is increased for low frequencies. The range for PhiM deviation is limited. This mode is recommended for high modulation frequencies.

## **HDEViation**

The maximum range for PhiM deviation is available. Phase noise is improved for low frequencies. The range for modulation frequency is limited (see data sheet). This mode is recommended for low modulation frequencies and/or high PhiM deviation.

### **LNOise**

Phase modulation with phase noise and spurious characteristics close to CW mode. The range for modulation bandwidth and PM deviation is limited (see data sheet)

\*RST: HBANdwidth

Example: PM:MODE LNO

selects Low Noise mode for external phase modulation.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

## [:SOURce<hw>]:PM:SENSitivity?

The command queries the input sensitivity of the EXT MOD input in RAD/V. The command is only effective if the external modulation source is selected (SOUR: PM: SOUR EXT). The returned value depends on the modulation deviation setting (SOUR: PM: DEViation). This value is assigned to the voltage value for full modulation of the input.

Return values:

<Sensitivity> float

**Example:** PM: DEV 1

sets a modulation deviation of 1RAD.

PM:SENS?

queries the input sensitivity at the EXT MOD input.

Response: 1

since the voltage value for full modulation is 1V, the resulting sen-

sitivity is precisely 1RAD/V.

**Usage:** Query only

SCPI confirmed

## [:SOURce<hw>]:PM:SOURce <Source>

The command selects the modulation source for phase modulation.

Parameters:

<Source> INTernal | EXTernal | INT,EXT

INTernal

INT is the LF generator. The frequency of the internal modulation

signal can be set in the  ${\tt SOURce:LFOutput}$  subsystem.

**EXTernal** 

The external signal is input at the EXT MOD connector.

**INT,EXT** 

Internal and external modulation source can be selected at the

same time.

\*RST: INTernal

**Example:** PM:SOUR INT

selects the internal modulation source.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

## [:SOURce<hw>]:PM:STATe <State>

The command activates/deactivates phase modulation. Activation of phase modulation deactivates frequency modulation.

Parameters:

<State> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: OFF

**Example:** PM:STAT ON

activates PM modulation.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

## 7.14.17 SOURce:POWer Subsystem

This subsystem contains the commands for setting the output level, level control and level correction of the RF signal.

Other units can also be used instead of dBm:

- by entering the unit directly after the numerical value (example : POW 0.5V)
- by changing the DEFault unit in the UNIT system (see the command :UNIT: POWer).

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## [:SOURce<hw>]:POWer:ALC:OMODe <OffMode>

The command sets the level control mode which becomes active when automatic level control is deactivated (ALC Off).

Parameters:

<OffMode> SHOLd | TABLe | HIGHaccuracy

**SHOLd** 

Level control is activated briefly if the level or frequency changes

("ALC Off Sample & Hold").

**HIGHaccuracy** 

The ALC mode High Accuracy ensures improved level accuracy. **Note:** This mode increases the frequency and level setting time

up to 20 ms!

**TABLe** 

Internal level control is performed according to the ALC table.

\*RST: SHOLd

Example: POW:ALC OFF

deactivates automatic level control for RF output A.

POW:ALC:OMOD SHOL

level control is briefly activated if the frequency or level changes.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:POWer:ALC:SONCe

The command briefly activates level control for correction purposes.

**Example:** POW:ALC OFF

deactivates automatic level control for RF output A.

POW:ALC:SONC

level control is performed once only.

Usage: Event

## [:SOURce<hw>]:POWer:ALC[:STATe] <State>

The command activates/deactivates automatic level control.

Parameters:

<State> 0 | OFF | AUTO | 1 | ON | PRESet | OFFTable | ONSample |

ONTable | OFFHighAccuracy

ON

Internal level control is permanently activated.

OFF|ONSample

Internal level control is deactivated.

**AUTO** 

Internal level control is activated/deactivated automatically

depending on the operating state.

**ONTable** 

Internal level control is performed according to the ALC table.

**OFFHighAccuracy** 

The ALC mode High Accuracy ensures improved level accuracy. **Note:** This mode increases the frequency and level setting time

up to 20 ms!

### [:SOURce<hw>]:POWer:ATTenuation:RFOFf:MODE < Mode>

Selects the attenuator mode, when the RF signal is switched off.

The setting of the RF OFF mode is not affected by an instrument preset (PRESET key), \*RST and the "Save/Recall" function. This parameter is influenced only by the Factory Preset.

#### Parameters:

<Mode> UNCHanged | FATTenuation

**UNCHanged** 

Freezes the setting of the attenuator when RF is switched off. The

attenuator is only activated when RF is switched on.

This setting recommended if a constant VSWR (Voltage Standing

Wave Ratio) is required.

**FATTenuation** 

Sets attenuation to maximum when the RF signal is switched off. This setting is recommended for applications that require a high

level of noise suppression.

\*RST: FATTenuation

**Example:** SOUR: POW: ATT: RFOF: MODE FATT

sets the RF OFF attenuator to maximum.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:POWer[:LEVel][:IMMediate][:AMPLitude] <Amplitude>

The command sets the RF output level in CW mode. In addition to numerical values, it is also possible to specify UP and DOWN. The level is then increased or decreased by the value specified under [SOURce<hw>:]POWer:STEP.

As with the **Level** value entered in the header, the OFFSet value is also taken into consideration with this command.

The specified value range is therefore only effective if :SOURce:POWer:OFFSet is set to 0. The value range for other OFFSet values can be calculated using the following formula:

Minimum level + OFFSet ... Maximum level + OFFSet

The keywords of this command are largely optional. Therefore, both the long and short form of the command are shown in the example.

### Parameters:

<Amplitude> Minimum level ... Maximum level

The value range for the level setting varies according to the instru-

ment model.

The values are given in the data sheet.

Increment: 0.01 dB \*RST: -30 dBm Default unit: dBm

**Example:** SOUR: POW: LEV: IMM: AMPL 15

or

:POW 15

sets the RF level at output A to 15 dBm.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

## [:SOURce<hw>]:POWer[:LEVel][:IMMediate]:OFFSet <Offset>

**Note:** The level offset is also effective for level sweeps!

The command specifies the constant level offset of a downstream attenuator/amplifier. If a level offset is entered, the level entered with : POWer no longer corresponds to the RF output level.

The following correlation applies:

```
: POWer = RF output level + POWer: OFFSet.
```

Entering a level offset does not change the RF output level, but rather the query value of : POWer.

For more information, see "RF level vs. RF output level" on page 173.

Only dB is permitted as the unit here. The linear units (V, W, etc.) are not permitted.

The keywords of this command are largely optional. Therefore, both the long and short form of the command are shown in the example.

### Parameters:

<Offset> float

Range: -100 dB to 100 dB

Increment: 0.01 dB \*RST: 0 dB Default unit: dB

**Example:** SOURce:POWer:LEVel:IMMediate:OFFSet -10

or

POW:OFFS 10

sets the RF level offset to 10 dB

Usage: SCPI confirmed

### [:SOURce<hw>]:POWer[:LEVel][:IMMediate]:RCL <Rcl>

The command determines whether the current level is retained or whether the stored level setting is adopted when an instrument configuration is loaded.

\*RST does not affect this setting.

Parameters:

<Rcl> INCLude | EXCLude

**INCLude** 

The stored level is also loaded when a stored instrument config-

uration is loaded.

**EXCLude** 

The RF level is not loaded when a stored instrument configuration

is loaded. The current level is retained.

\*RST: no default

Example: POW:RCL INCL

the stored level is set if the Recall command is called.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

## [:SOURce<hw>]:POWer:LIMit[:AMPLitude] <Amplitude>

The command limits the maximum RF output level in CW and SWEEP mode. It does not influence the "Level" display or the response to the POW? query command.

The value is not affected by an instrument preset (PRESET key), \*RST and the Save/Recall function. This parameter is influenced only by the factory preset (SYST: FPR) and its factory value is equal to the upper limit.

#### Parameters:

<Amplitude> float

Minimum level ... Maximum level

The value range for the level setting varies according to the instru-

ment model.

The values are given in the data sheet.

Increment: 0.01 dB \*RST: 30 dBm Default unit: dBm

**Example:** SOURce:POWer:LIMit:AMPLitude 10

or

:POW:LIM 10

limits the RF level to maximum +10 dBm.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

## [:SOURce<hw>]:POWer:LMODe <LevMode>

The command sets the RF level mode.

Parameters:

<LevMode> NORMal | LOWNoise | LOWDistortion

NORMal

The RF signal is output in the standard values of the instrument.

**LOWNoise** 

A very low noise sinewave signal is output.

**LOWDistortion** 

A very pure sinewave signal is output.

Example: POW:LMODE LOWD

sets the LOWDistortion mode. The instrument reduces distortions

of the RF signal to a minimum.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:POWer:MANual <Manual>

In Sweep mode (:SOUR:POW:MODE SWE) the command sets the level for the next sweep step in the Step sweep mode (:SOUR:SWE:POW:MODE MAN). Here only level values between the settings [:SOUR]:POW:STAR and [:SOUR]:POW:STOP are permitted. Each sweep step is triggered by a separate :SOUR:POW:MAN command.

As with the "Level" value entered in the "RF Level" menu, the OFFSet value is also taken into consideration with this command.

The specified value range is therefore only effective if : SOURCE: POWET: OFFSet is set to 0. The value range for other OFFset values can be calculated using the following formula:

Minimum level + OFFSet ... Maximum level + OFFSet

Parameters:

<Manual> float

Minimum level ... Maximum level

The value range for the level setting varies according to the instru-

ment model

The values are given in the data sheet.

Increment: 0.01 dBm \*RST: -30 dBm Default unit: dBm

**Example:** POW: SWE: MODE MAN

sets the Step sweep mode for RF output A.

POW:MAN -5 dBm

sets an RF level of -5 dBm for the next setting in the Step sweep

mode for RF output A. POW: MODE SWE

sets the Level Sweep mode for RF output A.

POW:MAN -5.5 dBm

triggers the next sweep step with a level of -5.5 dBm.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

### [:SOURce<hw>]:POWer:MODE <Mode>

The command sets the instrument operating mode and therefore also the commands used to set the output level.

#### Parameters:

<Mode> CW | FIXed | SWEep

**CW|FIXed** 

The instrument operates at a constant level. CW and FIXed are synonyms. The output level is set with : SOURce: POWer.

**SWEep** 

The instrument operates in SWEep mode.

The level is set using the commands SOURce: POWer: STARt;

STOP; MANual.

LIST

The instrument processes a list of frequency and level settings. The List mode settings are made in the SOURce:LIST Subsystem subsystem.

The setting SOURce: POWer: MODE LIST also sets the command SOURce: FREQuency: MODE automatically to LIST.

\*RST: CW

Example: POW:MODE SWEep

sets the SWEep mode. The settings under SOURce: POW: STARt;

STOP; MANual become effective.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

## [:SOURce<hw>]:POWer:PEP?

With digital modulation and all digital standards, the command returns the peak envelope power (PEP) in dBm (the value which is shown under the **Level** specification in the PEP lines in the display header).

#### Return values:

<Pep> float

**Example:** POW: PEP?

queries the PEP value for RF output A in the case of digital mod-

ulation. Response: 4

the PEP value for RF output A is 4 dBm.

Usage: Query only

SCPI confirmed

## [:SOURce<hw>]:POWer:POWer <Power>

Sets the RF level of the RF output connector.

The level entered with this command corresponds to the level at the RF output, i.e. any offset entry is not taken into consideration.

**Note:** The SCPI command [:SOURce<hw>]:POWer[:LEVel][:IMMediate][: AMPLitude] sets the level of the "Level" display, i.e. the level containing offset.

#### Parameters:

<Power> Minimum level ... Maximum level

The value range for the level setting varies according to the instru-

ment model.

The values are given in the data sheet.

Increment: 0.01 dB \*RST: -30 dBm Default unit: dBm

Example: SOUR: POW: POW 15

sets the RF level at output to 15 dBm.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:POWer:SPC:CRANge <PowCntrlCRange>

Defines the capture range of the power control system.

Within the range:

Target Level +/- Catch Range

the power control locks and tries to achieve the target level. Readings outside the range are not considered.

## Parameters:

<PowCntrlCRange> float

Range: 0 to 50 Increment: 0.01 \*RST: 30 Default unit: dB

**Example:** POW:SPC:CRAN 15

sets the capture range to +/- 15 dB.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:POWer:SPC:DELay <PowCntrlDelay>

Defines a waiting period between the level adjustment of the generator and the next measurement of the power sensor.

### Parameters:

<PowCntrlDelay> integer

Range: 0 to 1000

Increment: 1 \*RST: 0

**Example:** : POW:SPC:DEL 2 ms

the sensor starts the next reading 2 ms after the level adjustment.

### [:SOURce<hw>]:POWer:SPC:PEAK <PowCntrlPeak>

Activates power control by means of the peak power values, provided the power sensor supports this function.

Parameters:

<PowCntrlPeak> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: 0

**Example:** POW:SPC:PEAK ON

uses the measured peak power for power control.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:POWer:SPC:SELect < PowCntrlSelect>

Defines the currently selected sensor to be used for power control.

Parameters:

<PowCntrlSelect> SENS1 | SENS2 | SENS3 | SENS4

\*RST: SENS1

**Example:** POW:SPC:SEL SENS2

selects the sensor connected to a second USB interface for power

control.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:POWer:SPC:STATe <PowCntrlState>

Activates power control using the selected sensor. The control loop periodically adjusts the generator output. After switching off, the running loop is completed.

Parameters:

<PowCntrlState> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: (

**Example:** POW:SPC:STAT ON

activates power control.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:POWer:SPC:TARGet <PowCntrlTarget>

Sets the nominal level expected at the input of the sensor. To define the unit of the power value, use command SENSe<ch>: UNIT[::POWer] on page 493.

Parameters:

<PowCntrlTarget> float

Range: -50 to 30 Increment: 0.01 \*RST: -10

**Example:** SENS:UNIT dBm

selects unit dBm for setting the target level value.

POW: SPC: TARG -10 sets -10 dBm target level.

### [:SOURce<hw>]:POWer:STARt <Start>

The command sets the RF start level in Sweep mode.

As with the "Level" value entered in the "RF Level" menu, the OFFSet value is also taken into consideration with this command.

The specified value range is therefore only effective if : SOURCE: POWET: OFFSet is set to 0. The value range for other OFFset values can be calculated using the following formula:

Minimum level + OFFSet ... Maximum level + OFFSet

#### Parameters:

<Start> float

### Minimum level ... Maximum level

The value range for the level setting varies according to the instru-

ment model. The values are given in the data sheet.

Increment: 0.01 dB \*RST: -30 dBm Default unit: dBm

Example: POW:STAR -20 dBm

sets the start level for the level sweep to -15 dBm for RF output A.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

## [:SOURce<hw>]:POWer:STEP[:INCRement] < Increment>

The command sets the step width for the level setting if <code>UP</code> and <code>DOWN</code> are used as the level values and variation mode <code>:SOUR:POW:STEP:MODE</code> <code>USER</code> is selected. The command is linked to setting "Variation Step" for manual control, i.e. the command also sets the step width of the rotary knob for "Variation Active On".

### Parameters:

<Increment> float

Range: 0 dB to 100 dB

Increment: 0.01 dB \*RST: 1 dB Default unit: dB

**Example:** SOURce:POWer:STEP:INCRement 2

or

POW:STEP 2

sets the step width for entering the RF level to 2 dB.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:POWer:STEP:MODE <Mode>

This command activates (USER) or deactivates (DECimal) the user-defined step width used when varying the level value with the level values UP/DOWN. The command is linked to setting "Variation Active" for manual control, i.e. the command also activates/deactivates the user-defined step width used when varying the level value with the rotary knob.

Parameters:

<Mode> DECimal | USER

\*RST: DECimal

**Example:** POW:STEP 2

sets the step width for the level setting to 2 dB.

POW:STEP:MODE USER

actives this step width for level variation with the rotary knob (manual control) and with level values <code>UP/DOWN</code> (remote control).

## [:SOURce<hw>]:POWer:STOP <Stop>

The command sets the stop level in Sweep mode.

As with the **Level** value entered in the **RF Level** menu, the OFFSet value is also taken into consideration with this command.

The specified value range is therefore only effective if : SOURce: POWer: OFFSet is set to 0. The value range for other OFFset values can be calculated using the following formula:

Minimum level + OFFSet ... Maximum level + OFFSet

#### Parameters:

<Stop> float

Minimum level ... Maximum level

The value range for the level setting varies according to the instru-

ment model.

The values are given in the data sheet.

Increment: 0.01 dB \*RST: -10 dBm Default unit: dBm

**Example:** POW:STOP 3

sets the stop level for the level sweep to 3 dBm for RF output A.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

## 7.14.18 SOURce:PULM Subsystem

This subsystem contains the commands for setting the pulse modulation.

The LF generator is used as the internal modulation source. The pulse frequency of the internal rectangular signal is therefore set in the <code>SOURce:LFOutput</code> subsystem.

The external signal is input at the PULSE EXT connector. The connector can be used as trigger input for internal pulse modulation. The polarity and input impedance of the connector can be selected. The pulse modulation signal is output at the PULSE VIDEO connector.

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| ELay68 | <pre>e<hw>]:PULM:DOUBle:DELay.</hw></pre> | [:SOURce <hw>]</hw> |

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## [:SOURce<hw>]:PULM:DELay <Delay>

The command sets the pulse delay. The pulse delay determines the time that elapses after a trigger event before pulse modulation starts. The pulse delay is not effective for double pulse generation.

### Parameters:

<Delay> float

Range: 0 to 100 s
Increment: 10 ns
\*RST: 10 ns
Default unit: ns

**Example:** PULM: DEL 13 us

13 us elapse after a trigger before the first pulse is generated.

**Options**: R&S SMBV-K23 (Pulse Generator)

## [:SOURce<hw>]:PULM:DOUBle:DELay <Delay>

The command sets the delay from the start of the first pulse to the start of the second pulse.

## Parameters:

<Delay> float

Range: 20 ns to 100 s

Increment: 10 ns \*RST: 3 us Default unit: ns

**Example:** PULM:DOUB:DEL 22 us

22 us elapse between the beginning of the first pulse and the

beginning of the second pulse in double-pulse mode.

**Options:** 

R&S SMBV-K23 (Pulse Generator)

## [:SOURce<hw>]:PULM:DOUBle:STATe <State>

The command enables/disables double pulse generation. The two pulses are generated in one pulse period.

Parameters:

<State> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: OFF

**Example:** PULM: DOUB: STAT ON

double-pulse mode is enabled.

**Options:** R&S SMBV-K23 (Pulse Generator)

## [:SOURce<hw>]:PULM:DOUBle:WIDTh <Width>

The command sets the width of the second pulse in case of double pulse generation.

Parameters:

<Width> float

Range: 10 ns to 100 s

Increment: 10 ns \*RST: 3 us Default unit: ns

**Example:** PULM: DOUB: WIDT 33 us

sets a width of 33 us for the second pulse.

**Options:** R&S SMBV-K23 (Pulse Generator)

## [:SOURce<hw>]:PULM:MODE <Mode>

Sets the mode of the pulse generator.

Parameters:

<Mode> SINGle | DOUBle

**SINGle** 

Enables single pulse generation.

**DOUBle** 

Enables double pulse generation. The two pulses are generated

in one pulse period.
\*RST: SINGle

**Example:** PULM: MODE DOUB

enables double pulse generation.

**Options:** R&S SMBV-K23 (Pulse Generator)

### [:SOURce<hw>]:PULM:OUTPut:SYNC[:STATe] <Sync>

Configures the signal at the SIGNAL VALID connector.

Parameters:

<Sync> OFF | ON | 1 | 0

ON

Generates a single pulse at the beginning of a pulse sequence,

e.g. to synchronize pulse modulation.

OFF

Returns the validity of the RF signal at the output:

1 (high), while the signal settles. 0 (low), when it is stable (valid).

\*RST: OFF

Example: PULM:OUTP:SYNC ON

uses the signal for synchronizing the pulse modulation.

**Options:** R&S SMBV-K23 (Pulse Generator)

## [:SOURce<hw>]:PULM:PERiod <Period>

The command sets the period of the generated pulse. The period determines the repetition frequency of the internal signal.

Parameters:

<Period> float

Range: 40 ns to 100 s

Increment: 10 ns \*RST: 10 us

Example: PULM: PER 220 us

the pulse period is 220 us.

**Options:** R&S SMBV-K23 (Pulse Generator)

## [:SOURce<hw>]:PULM:POLarity <Polarity>

The command sets the polarity between modulating and modulated signal. This command is only effective for an external modulation signal.

Parameters:

<Polarity> NORMal | INVerted

**NORMal** 

The RF signal is suppressed during the pulse pause.

**INVerted** 

The RF signal is suppressed during the pulse.

\*RST: NORMal

Example: PULM: SOUR EXT

selects the external modulation source.

**Example:** PULM: POL INV

selects inverted polarity.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:PULM:SOURce <Source>

The command selects the source for pulse modulation.

Parameters:

<Source> INTernal | EXTernal

**INTernal** 

The internally generated rectangular signal is used for the pulse modulation. The frequency of the internal signal can be set in the

SOURce: LFOutput subsystem.

**EXTernal** 

The signal applied externally via the EXT MOD connector is used

for the pulse modulation.

\*RST: INTernal

Example: PULM: SOUR INT

selects the internal modulation source.

Example: PULM:STAT ON

activates the pulse modulation.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

**Options:** R&S SMBV-K22 (Pulse Modulator)

## [:SOURce<hw>]:PULM:STATe <State>

The command activates/deactivates the pulse modulation.

Parameters:

<State> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: OFF

Example: PULM:STAT ON

activates pulse modulation with the modulation source selected

under SOURce: PULM: SOURce.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

## [:SOURce<hw>]:PULM:TRIGger:EXTernal:GATE:POLarity < Polarity>

Selects the polarity of the Gate signal.

The signal is supplied via the PULSE EXT connector.

Parameters:

<Polarity> NORMal | INVerted

\*RST: NORMal

**Example:** PULM:TRIG:EXT:GATE:POL NORM

The pulse signal is generated while the gate signal is high.

**Options:** R&S SMBV-K23 (Pulse Generator)

## [:SOURce<hw>]:PULM:TRIGger:EXTernal:IMPedance < Impedance >

The command selects the impedance for external pulse trigger. The trigger is fed via the PULSE EXT input.

Parameters:

<Impedance> G50 | G10K

\*RST: G10K

**Example:** SOUR: PULM: TRIG: EXT: IMP G50

selects 50 Ohm as the trigger impedance for the external pulse

trigger.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

**Options:** R&S SMBV-K22 (Pulse Modulator)

## [:SOURce<hw>]:PULM:TRIGger:EXTernal:SLOPe <Slope>

The command sets the polarity of the active slope of an applied trigger at the PULSE EXT connector.

Parameters:

<Slope> POS | NEG

\*RST: POSitive

**Example:** PULM:TRIG:EXT:SLOP NEG

The pulse generator is triggered on the negative slope of the

external trigger signal.

**Options:** R&S SMBV-K23 (Pulse Generator)

## [:SOURce<hw>]:PULM:TRIGger:MODE <Mode>

The command selects the trigger mode for pulse modulation.

Parameters:

<Mode> AUTO | EXTernal | EGATe

**AUTO** 

The pulse modulation is generated continuously.

**EXTernal** 

The pulse modulation is triggered by an external trigger event. The trigger signal is supplied via the PLILSE EXT connector.

trigger signal is supplied via the PULSE EXT connector.

**EGATe** 

The pulse modulation is gated by an external gate signal. The signal is experied via the RULESE EXT connector.

nal is supplied via the PULSE EXT connector.

\*RST: AUTO

**Example:** PULM:TRIG:MODE EXT

selects triggering by an external trigger event.

**Usage:** SCPI confirmed

Options: R&S SMBV-K23 (Pulse Generator)

## [:SOURce<hw>]:PULM:WIDTh <Width>

The command sets the width of the generated pulse. The width determines the pulse length. The pulse width must be at least 20ns less than the set pulse period.

#### Parameters:

<Width> float

Range: 10 ns to 100 s

Increment: 10 ns \*RST: 2 us

Example: PULM: WIDT 33 us

sets a width of 33 us for the pulse.

**Options:** R&S SMBV-K23 (Pulse Generator)

## 7.14.19 SOURce:ROSCillator Subsystem

This subsystem contains the commands for setting the external and internal reference frequency.



The commands of this subsystem are not affected by an instrument reset (\*RST on page 436).

[:SOURce]:ROSCillator:EXTernal:FREQuency	690
[:SOURce]:ROSCillator:EXTernal:RFOFf[:STATe]	
[:SOURce]:ROSCillator:EXTernal:SBANdwidth	
[:SOURce]:ROSCillator[:INTernal]:ADJust:VALue	
[:SOURce]:ROSCillator[:INTernal]:ADJust[:STATe]	
[:SOURce1:ROSCillator:SOURce	

### [:SOURce]:ROSCillator:EXTernal:FREQuency < Frequency >

Selects the external reference frequency.

5 MHz can be only operated, if the instrument has an RF board starting from version 1406.7220.

## Parameters:

<Frequency> 5MHZ | 10MHZ

\*RST: 10MHZ

Example: ROSC:SOUR EXT

selects the external source. The reference must be input at the

REF IN input.

ROSC:EXT:FREQ 10MHz

slects 10 MHz external reference frequency.

## [:SOURce]:ROSCillator:EXTernal:RFOFf[:STATe] <State>

Activates that RF output is automatically switched off, when in external source mode no reference signal is supplied.

This setting ensures that no improper RF signal due to the missing external reference signal is output and used for measurements.

In addition to the error message "Ext Ref missing", the instrument generates the message "RF output deactivated'.

Parameters:

<State> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: 0

Example: ROSC:SOUR EXT

selects the external source. The reference must be input at the

REF IN input.

**Example:** ROSC:EXT:RFOF:STAT ON

In case of a missing external signal, no RF signal is output.

## [:SOURce]:ROSCillator:EXTernal:SBANdwidth <SBandwidth>

The command selects the synchronization bandwidth for an external reference signal.

Parameters:

<SBandwidth> WIDE | NARRow

**NARRow** 

Synchronization bandwidth is approx. 1 Hz.

WIDE

Synchronization bandwidth is approx. 750 Hz.

Example: ROSC: SOUR EXT

selects the external source.
ROSC:EXT:FREQ 5 MHz

informs the instrument that the external reference has a frequency

of 5 MHz.

ROSC:EXT:SBAN WID

selects wideband setting for synchronization bandwidth.

## [:SOURce]:ROSCillator[:INTernal]:ADJust:VALue <Value>

The command specifies the frequency correction value (adjustment value).

Parameters:

<Value> float

Range: 0 to 4095

Increment: 1

Example: ROSC:ADJ:VAL 1400

sets the adjustment value to 1400.

## [:SOURce]:ROSCillator[:INTernal]:ADJust[:STATe] <State>

The command determines whether the calibrated (OFF) or a user-defined (ON) adjustment value is used for fine adjustment of the frequency. With STATe ON, the instrument is no longer in the calibrated state. However, the calibration value is not changed and the instrument resumes the calibrated state after switching the Adjustment State to Off.

Parameters:

<State> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: 0

Example: ROSC:SOUR INT

selects the internal source.

ROSC: ADJ ON

activates use of a user-defined adjustment value.

ROSC:ADJ:VAL 1400

sets the adjustment value to 1400.

## [:SOURce]:ROSCillator:SOURce <Source>

Selects the reference frequency source.

Parameters:

<Source> INTernal | EXTernal

**INTernal** 

The internal reference oscillator is used.

**EXTernal** 

An external reference signal is used. It must be input at the REF

IN connector at the rear of the instrument.

The instrument is informed of the frequency of the external refer-

ence signal by means of the command [:SOURce]:

ROSCillator: EXTernal: FREQuency.

\*RST: INTernal

**Example:** ROSC:SOUR EXT

selects the external source.
ROSC:EXT:FREQ 5 MHz

informs the instrument that the external reference has a frequency

of 5 MHz.

## 7.14.20 SOURce:SWEep Subsystem

This subsystem contains the commands for checking the RF sweeps, i.e. the sweeps of the RF generators. Sweeps are always triggered, except for the  ${\tt MANual}$  sweep mode.

The frequency sweep is activated by the command <code>SOURce:FREQuency:MODE</code> <code>SWEep</code>, and the level sweep by the command <code>SOURce:POWer:MODE</code> <code>SWEep</code>. All sweeps, including the LF sweep, can be set independently of each other.

This example shows how to set up a frequency sweep.

1. Set the sweep range.

```
[SOURce:]FREQuency:CENTer 200 MHz [SOURce:]FREQuency:SPAN 300 MHz
```

2. Select linear or logarithmic spacing.

```
[SOURce:]SWEep[:FREQuency]:SPACing LIN
```

3. Set the step width and dwell time.

```
[SOURce:]SWEep[:FREQuency]:STEP:LINear 20 MHz
[SOURce:]SWEep[:FREQuency]:DWELl 12 ms
```

Select the trigger mode.

```
TRIGger:]FSWeep:SOURce SINGle
```

5. Select the sweep mode and activate the sweep.

```
[SOURce:]SWEep[:FREQuency]:MODE AUTO
[SOURce:]FREQuency:MODE SWEep
```

6. Trigger the sweep.

```
[SOURce:]SWEep[:FREQuency]:EXECute
```



It is recommended to switch off the "GUI Update" for optimum sweep performance especially with short dwell times (SYSTem: DISPlay: UPDate OFF).

## [:SOURce<hw>]:SWEep[:FREQuency]:DWELI < Dwell>

The command sets the time taken for each frequency step of the sweep.

The keyword [: FREQuency] can be omitted (see example). The command is then SCPI-compliant.

**Tip:** It is recommended to switch off the "GUI Update" for optimum sweep performance especially with short dwell times (SYSTem:DISPlay:UPDate OFF).

Parameters:

<Dwell> float

Range: 10.0E-3 to 100 Increment: 100.0E-6 \*RST: 10.0E-3

Default unit: s

Example: SWE:DWEL 12 ms

sets a dwell time of 12 ms for a frequency sweep at the RF output.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:SWEep[:FREQuency]:EXECute

The command triggers a sweep.

The command is only valid for sweep mode Single (SOURCE: SWEEp: FREQuency: MODE SINGle). The command corresponds to the manual-control command "Execute Single Sweep".

**Example:** SWE:FREQ:EXEC

triggers a frequency sweep at the RF output.

Usage: Event

## [:SOURce<hw>]:SWEep[:FREQuency]:MODE <Mode>

Sets the sweep mode.

The keyword [:FREQuency] can be omitted (see example). The command is then SCPI-compliant.

#### Parameters:

<Mode> AUTO | MANual | STEP

#### **AUTO**

Each trigger triggers exactly one complete sweep.

#### **MANual**

The trigger system is not active. Each frequency step of the sweep is triggered individually, either by varying the "Current Frequency" value using the rotary knob under manual control or by means of a FREQ: MAN command under remote control. With manual control, the frequency increases or decreases (depending on the direction of the rotary encoder) by the value specified under FREQ: STEP: INCRement. With remote control, the frequency is set directly with the command: FREQ: MAN.

### **STEP**

Each trigger triggers one sweep step only (Mode Single Step). The frequency increases by the value entered under

SOUR: SWE: FREQ: STEP: LIN (linear spacing) or ...: STEP: LOG (logarithmic spacing).

\*RST: AUTO

**Example:** SWE:MODE AUTO

selects **Mode Auto** for a frequency sweep at the RF output.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:SWEep[:FREQuency]:POINts <Points>

The command sets the number of steps in an RF sweep.

The command is linked to the command : SWEep [:FREQuency]:STEP as follows:

for linear sweeps

```
POINts = (SPAN / STEP:LIN) + 1
```

• logarithmic sweeps and STARt < STOP:

```
POINts = ((log STOP - log STARt) / log STEP:LOG) + 1
```

If POINTS changes, the value of STEP is adjusted. The START and STOP value is retained.

Two separate POINts values are used for linear or logarithmic sweep spacing (:SWEep[:FREQuency]:SPACing LIN | LOG). The command is always effective for the currently set sweep spacing.

## Parameters:

<Points> float

**Example:** FREQ:STAR

sets the start frequency to 100 MHz.

FREQ:STOP

sets the stop frequency to 500 MHz.

SWE:SPAC LIN

sets linear sweep spacing.

SWE:POIN 401

sets 401 sweep steps for linear sweep spacing. The sweep step

width (STEP) is automatically set to 1 MHz.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:SWEep[:FREQuency]:SHAPe <Shape>

The command sets the cycle mode for a sweep sequence (shape).

### Parameters:

<Shape> SAWTooth | TRlangle

#### **SAWTooth**

One sweep runs from start to stop frequency. Each subsequent sweep starts at the start frequency, i.e. the shape of the sweep sequence resembles a sawtooth.

### **TRlangle**

One sweep runs from start to stop frequency and back, i.e. the shape of the sweep resembles a triangle. Each subsequent sweep starts at the start frequency.

\*RST: SAWTooth

**Example:** SOUR: SWE: SHAP TRI

selects the sweep cycle with alternating ascending and descend-

ing sweep directions.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:SWEep[:FREQuency]:SPACing <Spacing>

The command selects the sweep spacing.

The keyword [:FREQuency] can be omitted (see example). The command is then SCPI-compliant.

Parameters:

<Spacing> LINear | LOGarithmic

LINear

With the linear sweep, the step width is a fixed frequency value which is added to the current frequency. The step width for linear

sweep is entered in Hz (see [:SOURce<hw>]:SWEep[:

FREQuency]:STEP[:LINear] on page 697).

**LOGarithmic** 

With the logarithmic sweep, the step width is a constant fraction of the current frequency. This fraction is added to the current frequency. The logarithmic step width is entered in % (see [:

SOURce<hw>]:SWEep[:FREQuency]:STEP:LOGarithmic

on page 698).
\*RST: LIN

Example: SWE:SPAC LIN

selects linear sweep spacing for a frequency sweep at the RF out-

put.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:SWEep[:FREQuency]:STEP[:LINear] <Linear>

The command sets the step width for linear sweeps.

This command is linked to the command : SWEep[:FREQuency]:POINts as follows:

POINts = (SPAN / STEP:LIN) + 1

If STEP:LIN changes, the value of POINTs is adjusted. The STARt and STOP value is retained.

The keywords [:FREQuency] and [:LINear] can be omitted (see example). The command is then SCPI-compliant.

### Parameters:

<Linear> float

Range: 0.001 Hz to (STOP - STARt)

Increment: 0.001 Hz \*RST: 1 MHz Default unit: MHz

**Example:** FREQ:STAR 1GHz

sets the start frequency to 1 GHz.

FREQ:STOP 5GHz

sets the stop frequency to 5 GHz.

SWE:SPAC LIN

sets linear sweep spacing.

SWE:STEP 2 MHz

sets the step width for linear sweep spacing to 2 MHz (RF sweep) at the RF output. The number of sweep steps for linear sweep

spacing (POINts) is automatically set to 2001.

### [:SOURce<hw>]:SWEep[:FREQuency]:STEP:LOGarithmic <Logarithmic>

The comman specifies the step width factor for logarithmic sweeps. The next frequency value of a sweep is calculated (for STARt < STOP) using the following formula:

New frequency = Old frequency + STEP: LOG x Old frequency

STEP: LOG therefore gives the fraction of the old frequency. The frequency is increased by this fraction for the next sweep step. Usually STEP: LOG is given in percent, whereby the suffix PCT must always be used.

The command is linked to the command : SWEep[:FREQuency]:POINts for STARt < STOP as follows:

```
POINts = ((log STOP - log STARt) / log STEP:LOG) + 1
```

If STEP: LOG changes, the value of POINTs is adjusted. The STARt and STOP value is retained.

#### Parameters:

<Logarithmic> float

Range: 0.01 to 9999 Increment: 0.01 PCT \*RST: 1 PCT

**Example:** FREQ:STAR 1GHz

sets the start frequency to 1 GHz.

FREQ:STOP 5GHz

sets the stop frequency to 5 GHz.

SWE:SPAC LOG

sets logarithmic sweep spacing.

SWE:STEP:LOG 10PCT

sets the step width for logarithmic sweep spacing to 10% of the previous frequency in each instance (for a frequency sweep).

## [:SOURce<hw>]:SWEep:POWer:DATTenuator:STATe <Dattstate>

Activates digital attenuation during RF power sweep.

Parameters:

<Dattstate> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: 0

**Example:** SWE:POW:DATT:STAT ON

switches on digital attenuation.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:SWEep:POWer:DWELI < Dwell>

The command sets the time taken for each level step of the sweep.

**Tip:** It is recommended to switch off the "GUI Update" for optimum sweep performance especially with short dwell times (SYSTem:DISPlay:UPDate OFF).

Parameters:

<Dwell> float

Range: 1.0E-3 to 100 Increment: 100.0E-6 \*RST: 15.0E-3

Default unit: s

Example: SWE:POW:DWEL 12 ms

sets a dwell time of 12 ms for a level sweep at the RF output.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:SWEep:POWer:EXECute

The command triggers a sweep.

**Example:** SWE:POW:EXEC

triggers a level sweep at the RF output.

Usage: Event

### [:SOURce<hw>]:SWEep:POWer:MODE <Mode>

The command sets the cycle mode of the level sweep.

Parameters:

<Mode> AUTO | MANual | STEP

**AUTO** 

Each trigger triggers exactly one complete sweep.

**MANual** 

The trigger system is not active. Each level step of the sweep is triggered individually, either by varying the "Current Level" value using the rotary knob under manual control or by means of a

 ${\tt POW:MAN}\ \ \textbf{command under remote control}.$ 

With manual control, the level increases or decreases (depending on the direction of the rotary encoder) by the value specified under SOUR: SWE: POW: STEP. With remote control, the level increases by the value specified under SWEep: POW: STEP which each sent: POW: MAN command, irrespective the value entered there.

**STEP** 

Each trigger triggers one sweep step only. The level increases by the value entered under : SWEep: POWer: STEP.

\*RST: AUTO

**Example:** SWE:POW:MODE AUTO

selects Mode Auto for a level sweep at RF output.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:SWEep:POWer:POINts <Points>

The command sets the number of steps in a level sweep. The command is linked to the command: SWEep: POWer: STEP as follows:

POINts = ((STOP - STARt) / STEP:LOG) + 1

If POINTS changes, the value of STEP is adjusted. The START and STOP value is retained.

Parameters:

<Points> float

\*RST: 20dB

Example: POW:STAR - 30 dBm

sets the start frequency to -30 dBm.

POW:STOP - 10 dBm

sets the stop frequency to -10 dBm.

SWE:POW:POIN 20

sets 20 sweep steps. The sweep step width (STEP) is automati-

cally set to 1 dB.

## [:SOURce<hw>]:SWEep:POWer:SHAPe <Shape>

The command sets the cycle mode for a sweep sequence (shape).

### Parameters:

<Shape> SAWTooth | TRlangle

**SAWTooth** 

One sweep runs from the start level to the stop level. The subsequent sweep starts at the start level again, i.e. the shape of sweep

sequence resembles a sawtooth.

**TRlangle** 

One sweep runs from start to stop level and back, i.e. the shape of the sweep resembles a triangle. Each subsequent sweep starts

at the start level again.

\*RST: SAWTooth

**Example:** SOUR: SWE: POW: SHAP TRI

selects the sweep cycle with alternating ascending and descend-

ing sweep directions.

### [:SOURce<hw>]:SWEep:POWer:SPACing:MODE?

The command queries the sweep spacing. The sweep spacing for level sweeps is always linear.

**Example:** SWE:POW:SPAC:MODE?

queries the sweep spacing for a level sweep at RF output.

Result: LIN linear spacing

Usage: Query only

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### [:SOURce<hw>]:SWEep:POWer:STEP[:LOGarithmic] <Logarithmic>

The command sets the step width factor for logarithmic sweeps. The next level value of a sweep is calculated (for STARt < STOP) using the following formula:

New level = Old level + STEP: LOG x Old level

STEP: LOG therefore gives the fraction of the old level. The level is increased by this fraction for the next sweep step. Usually STEP: LOG is given in decibels, whereby the suffix dB must always be used.

The command is linked to the command : SWEep: POWer: POINts for STARt < STOP as follows:

POINts = ((STOP - STARt) / STEP: LOG) + 1

If STEP:LOG changes, the value of POINTs is adjusted. The STARt and STOP value is retained.

#### Parameters:

<Logarithmic> float

Range: 0.01 to 139 dB

Increment: 0.01 dB

\*RST: 1

**Example:** SWE:POW:STEP 10dB

sets the step width for logarithmic sweep spacing to 10 dB of the

previous level in each instance (for a level sweep).

## [:SOURce<hw>]:SWEep:RESet[:ALL]

The command resets all active sweeps to the starting point.

**Example:** SWE:RES

resets all active sweeps to the starting point.

# 7.15 STATus Subsystem

This system contains the commands for the status reporting system. \*RST on page 436 has no effect on the status registers.

Queries return the current value of the respective register, which permits a check of the device status. A decimal value between 0 and 32767 (=2<sup>15</sup>-1) is returned.

The configuration commands set the respective register thus determining which status changes of the R&S SMBV causes the status registers to be changed. A decimal value between 0 and 32767 (=  $2^{15}$ -1) is set.

STATus:OPERation:CONDition	702
STATus:OPERation:ENABle	702
STATus:OPERation[:EVENt]	
STATus:OPERation:NTRansition	

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STATus:OPERation:PTRansition	703
STATus:PRESet	703
STATus:QUEStionable:CONDition	704
STATus:QUEStionable:ENABle	704
STATus:QUEStionable[:EVENt]	704
STATus:QUEStionable:NTRansition	704
STATus:QUEStionable:PTRansition	705
STATus:QUEue[:NEXT]	705

#### STATus: OPERation: CONDition? < Condition >

The command queries the content of the CONDition part of the STATus:OPERation register. This part contains information on the action currently being performed in the instrument. The content is not deleted after being read out since it indicates the current hardware status.

Parameters:

<Condition > string

**Example:** STAT:OPER:COND

queries the Status:Operation:Condition register.

Usage: Query only

SCPI confirmed

## STATus: OPERation: ENABle < Enable >

The command sets the bits of the ENABle part of the STATus:OPERation register. This setting determines which events of the Status-Event part are forwarded to the sum bit in the status byte. These events can be used for a service request.

Parameters:

<Enable> string

**Example:** STAT:OPER:ENAB 32767

all events are forwarded to the sum bit of the status byte.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

## STATus:OPERation[:EVENt]? <EVENt>

The command queries the content of the EVENt part of the STATus:OPERation register. This part contains information on the actions performed in the instrument since the last readout. The content of the EVENt part is deleted after being read out.

Parameters:

<EVENt> string

**Example:** STAT:OPER:EVEN

queries the STATus:OPERation:EVENt register.

**Usage:** Query only

SCPI confirmed

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### STATus: OPERation: NTRansition < Ntransition >

The command sets the bits of the NTRansition part of the STATus:OPERation register. If a bit is set, a transition from 1 to 0 in the condition part causes an entry to be made in the EVENt part of the register. The disappearance of an event in the hardware is thus registered, e.g. the end of an adjustment.

Parameters:

<Ntransition> string

**Example:** STAT:OPER:NTR 0

a transition from 1 to 0 in the condition part of the Status:Operation register does not cause an entry to be made in the EVENt part.

**Usage:** SCPI confirmed

#### STATus: OPERation: PTRansition < Ptransition >

The command sets the bits of the PTRansition part of the STATus:OPERation register. If a bit is set, a transition from 0 to 1 in the condition part causes an entry to be made in the EVENt part of the register. A new event in the hardware is thus registered, e.g. the start of an adjustment.

Parameters:

<Ptransition> string

**Example:** STAT:OPER:PTR 32767

all transitions from 0 to 1 in the condition part of the Status:Operation register cause an entry to be made in the EVENt part.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

#### STATus:PRESet < Preset>

The command resets the status registers. All PTRansition parts are set to FFFFh (32767), i.e. all transitions from 0 to 1 are detected. All NTRansition parts are set to 0, i.e. a transition from 1 to 0 in a CONDition bit is not detected. The ENABle parts of STATus:OPERation and STATus:QUEStionable are set to 0, i.e. all events in these registers are not passed on.

Parameters:

<Pre><Pre>string

**Example:** STAT: PRES

resets the status registers.

Usage: Event

SCPI confirmed

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#### STATus:QUEStionable:CONDition? < Condition >

The command queries the content of the CONDition part of the STATus:QUEStionable register. This part contains information on the action currently being performed in the instrument. The content is not deleted after being read out since it indicates the current hardware status.

Parameters:

<Condition > string

**Example:** STAT:OPER:COND

queries the Status:Questionable:Condition register.

Usage: Query only

SCPI confirmed

#### STATus:QUEStionable:ENABle < Enable >

The command sets the bits of the ENABle part of the STATus:QUEStionable register. This setting determines which events of the Status-Event part are enabled for the sum bit in the status byte. These events can be used for a service request.

Parameters:

<Enable> string

**Example:** STAT:OPER:ENAB 1

problems when performing an adjustment cause an entry to be

made in the sum bit.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

# STATus:QUEStionable[:EVENt]? <EVENt>

The command queries the content of the EVENt part of the STATus:QUEStionable register. This part contains information on the actions performed in the instrument since the last readout. The content of the EVENt part is deleted after being read out.

Parameters:

<EVENt> string

**Example:** STAT:QUES:EVEN?

queries the Status:Questionable:Event register.

**Usage:** Query only

SCPI confirmed

# STATus:QUEStionable:NTRansition < Ntransition>

The command sets the bits of the NTRansition part of the STATus:QUEStionable register. If a bit is set, a transition from 1 to 0 in the condition part causes an entry to be made in the EVENt part of the register.

Parameters:

<Ntransition> string

**Example:** STAT:OPER:NTR 0

A transition from 1 to 0 in the condition part of the Status:Questionable register does not cause an entry to be made in the EVENt

part.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

#### STATus:QUEStionable:PTRansition < Ptransition>

The command sets the bits of the NTRansition part of the STATus:QUEStionable register. If a bit is set, a transition from 1 to 0 in the condition part causes an entry to be made in the EVENt part of the register.

Parameters:

<Ptransition> string

**Example:** STAT:OPER:PTR 32767

All transitions from 0 to 1 in the condition part of the Status:Questionable register cause an entry to be made in the EVENt part.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

#### STATus:QUEue[:NEXT]?

The command queries the oldest entry in the error queue and then deletes it. Positive error numbers denote device-specific errors, and negative error numbers denote error messages defined by SCPI. If the error queue is empty, 0 ("No error") is returned. The command is identical to SYSTEM: ERROY?

Return values:

<NEXT> string

Example: STAT:QUE

queries the oldest entry in the error queue.

Response: 0, 'no error'

No errors have occurred since the error queue was last read out.

Usage: Query only

SCPI confirmed

# 7.16 SYSTem Subsystem

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# :SYSTem:BEEPer:STATe <State>

This command switches the key beep on or off.

Parameters:

<State> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: OFF

**Example:** SYST:BEEP:STAT OFF

No acoustic signal is output when a key on the front panel is

pressed.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

#### :SYSTem:COMMunicate:GPIB:LTERminator < Lterminator>

The command sets the terminator recognition for remote control via GPIB bus.

Parameters:

<Lterminator> STANdard | EOI

EOI

The terminator must be sent together with the line message EOI (End of Line). This setting is recommended for binary block transmissions where a character could coincidentally have the value LF (Line Feed) but is not intended as the terminator. This setting must be selected for block data with undefined length.

**STANdard** 

An LF (Line Feed) is recognized as the terminator regardless of

whether it is sent with or without EOI.

\*RST: STANdard

**Example:** SYST:COMM:GPIB:LTER EOI

only a character which is sent simultaneously with the line mes-

sage EOI is accepted as the terminator.

# :SYSTem:COMMunicate:GPIB[:SELF]:ADDRess <Address>

Sets the GPIB address.

Parameters:

<Address> integer

Range: 1 to 30 \*RST: 28

**Example:** SYST:COMM:GPIB:ADDR 14

sets GPIB address.

### :SYSTem:COMMunicate:HISLip:RESource

Queries the VISA resource string . This string is used for remote control of the instrument with HiSLIP protocol.

Parameters:

<Resource> string

**Example:** SYST:COMM:HISL:RES

queries the VISA resource string.

Response: TCPIP::192.1.2.3::hislip0::INSTR

# :SYSTem:COMMunicate:NETWork[:COMMon]:DOMain < Domain>

The command enters the domain of the network.

Parameters:

<Domain> string

**Example:** SYST:COMM:NETW:COMM:DOM ABC.DE

enters the domain of the network.

# :SYSTem:COMMunicate:NETWork[:COMMon]:HOSTname < Hostname >

The command enters the individual computer name of the R&S Signal Generator. The entry is only activated after sending command SYST: COMM: NETW: COMM: SET.

**Note:** The hostname can only be changed after deactivating protection level 1 (command SYSTem: PROTect<n>: STATE OFF, password)

Parameters:

<Hostname> string

Example: SYST:COMM:NETW:HOST 'SIGGEN'

enters the individual computer name of the R&S Signal Generator.

**Example:** SYST:COMM:NETW:COMM:SET ON

activates the change of the hostname.

# :SYSTem:COMMunicate:NETWork[:COMMon]:WORKgroup <Workgroup>

The command enters the individual workgroup name of the instrument.

Parameters:

<Workgroup> string

**Example:** SYST:COMM:NETW:COMM:WORK 'TEST\_09'

enters the workgroup name 'TEST\_09'.

# :SYSTem:COMMunicate:NETWork:IPADdress:MODE < Mode>

The command selects if the IP address is assigned automatically or manually. The entry is only activated after sending command SYST: COMM: NETW: IPAD: SET.

Parameters:

<Mode> AUTO | STATic

**AUTO** 

The IP address is assigned automatically. The network used must support automatic assignment of address (DHCP) in order to use

this function.

**STATic** 

The IP address is assigned manually.

\*RST: AUTO

**Example:** SYST:COMM:NETW:IPAD:MODE AUTO

the IP address is assigned automatically (DHCP).

SYST:COMM:NETW:IPAD:SET ON

activates DHCP.

# :SYSTem:COMMunicate:NETWork:IPADdress < Ipaddress >

The command enters the IP address. The entry is only activated after sending command SYST: COMM: NETW: IPAD: SET.

Parameters:

<lpaddress> string

Range: 0.0.0.0. to ff.ff.ff.ff

**Example:** SYST:COMM:NETW:IPAD 7.8.9.10

enters the IP address of the instrument.

**Example:** SYST:COMM:NETW:IPAD:SET

activates all changes of the IP address settings.

#### :SYSTem:COMMunicate:NETWork[:IPADdress]:GATeway < Gateway>

The command enters the IP address of the default gateway. The entry is only activated after sending command SYST: COMM: NETW: IPAD: SET.

Parameters:

<Gateway> string

Range: 0.0.0.0 to ff.ff.ff.ff

**Example:** SYST:COMM:NETW:GAT 1.2.3.4

enters the IP address of the default gateway.

SYST:COMM:NETW:IPAD:SET

activates all changes of the IP address settings.

# :SYSTem:COMMunicate:NETWork[:IPADdress]:SUBNet:MASK <Mask>

The command enters the Subnet mask. The entry is only activated after sending command SYST: COMM: NETW: IPAD: SET.

Parameters:

<Mask> string

**Example:** SYST:COMM:NETW:SUBN:MASK 255.255.0.0

enters the Subnet mask.
SYST:COMM:NETW:IPAD:SET

activates all changes of the IP address settings.

#### :SYSTem:COMMunicate:NETWork:RESource < Resource >

The command queries the VISA resource string. This string is used for remote control of the instrument with VXI-11 protocol.

Parameters:

<Resource> string

**Example:** SYST:COMM:NETW:RES

queries the VISA resource string.

Response: TCPIP::192.1.2.3::INSTR

# :SYSTem:COMMunicate:USB:RESource?

The command queries the visa resource string for remote control via the USB interface.

Return values:

<Resource> string

**Example:** SYST:COMM:USB:RES?

queries the VISA resource string for remote control via the USB

interface.

Response: USB::72::000000::INSTR

Usage: Query only

#### :SYSTem:COMMunicate:GPIB:RESource?

The command queries the visa resource string for remote control via the GPIB interface. This string is used for remote control of the instrument.

To change the GPIB address, use the command SYST: COMM: GPIB: ADDR.

Return values:

<Resource> string

**Example:** SYST:COMM:GPIB:RES

queries the VISA resource string.
Response: GPIB::28::INSTR

Usage: Query only

#### :SYSTem:COMMunicate:SERial:RESource?

The command queries the visa resource string for the serial remote control interface. This string is used for remote control of the instrument.

Return values:

<Resource> string

**Example:** SYST:COMM:SER:RES

queries the VISA resource string.
Response: ASRL1::INSTR

Usage: Query only

# :SYSTem:COMMunicate:SERial:BAUD <Baud>

The command enters the baudrate for the serial remote control interface.

Parameters:

<Baud> 2400 | 4800 | 9600 | 19200 | 38400 | 57600 | 115200

\*RST: 115200

Example: SYST:COMM:SER:BAUD 115200

enters the baudrate 115200.

# :SYSTem:COMMunicate:SERial:PARity <Parity>

The command enters the parity for the serial remote control interface.

Parameters:

<Parity> NONE | ODD | EVEN

\*RST: NONE

**Example:** SYST:COMM:SER:PAR NONE

selects parity NONE.

#### :SYSTem:COMMunicate:SERial:SBITs <Sbits>

The command enters the number of stop bits for the serial remote control interface.

Parameters:

<Sbits> 1 | 2

\*RST: 1

**Example:** SYST:COMM:SER:SBIT 2

selects 2 stop bits.

#### :SYSTem:COMMunicate:SOCKet:RESource?

The command queries the visa resource string for remote control via the Socket interface.

Return values:

<Resource> string

**Example:** SYST:COMM:SOCK:RES?

Usage: Query only

#### :SYSTem:DATE <Date>

The command queries / sets the date for the instrument-internal calendar.

This parameter is protected, in order to prevent accidental changes. It can be accessed with protection level 1, see :SYSTem:PROTect<ch>[:STATe] on page 716.

Parameters:

<Date> <year>,<month>,<day>

**Example:** SYST:DATE?

Response: 2011, 05, 01 - it is the 1st of May in 2011.

# :SYSTem:DISPlay:UPDate <Update>

The command switches the update of the display on/off. A switchover from remote control to manual control always sets the status of the update of the display to ON.

Parameters:

<Update> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: ON

**Example:** SYST:DISP:UPD OFF

switches update of displayed parameter values off.

#### :SYSTem:DLOCk <Dlock>

This command (**D**isplay **LOC**k) disables the manual operation via the display, or enables it again (OFF).

The command disables also the front panel keyboard of the instrument including the LOCAL key.

Parameters:

<Dlock> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: 0

Example: SYST:DLOC ON

activates the display lock. The instrument cannot be operated via the display until it has been enabled with SYST: DLOC OFF.

### :SYSTem:FILes:TEMPorary:DELete

The command deletes the temporary files from the directory /var/smbv/unicod.

The content of this directory are temporary files such as the wavefiles (\*.wv) of all ARB standards. Deleting the temporary files maintains sufficiant amount of free disc space on the internal flash memory.

Another way to achieve more free disc space on the internal flash memory is to execute the SYST: FPReset command.

**Example:** SYST:FIL:TEMP:DEL

The content of the folder /var/smbv/unicod is deleted.

Usage: Event

SCPI confirmed

# SYSTem: ERRor: ALL?

The command gueries all entries in the error queue and then deletes them.

Parameters:

<All> string

0

"No error", i.e the error queue is empty.

positive value

Positive error numbers denote device-specific errors.

negative value

Negative error numbers denote error messages defined by SCPI

**Example:** SYST:ERR:ALL?

queries all entries in the error queue.
Response: 0, 'no error'

No errors have occurred since the error queue was last read out.

Usage: Query only

#### SYSTem: ERRor: CODE: ALL?

The command queries all entries in the error queue and then deletes them. Only the error numbers are returned and not the entire error text.

#### Return values:

<All> string

0

"No error", i.e. the error queue is empty

positive value

Positive error numbers denote device-specific errors

negative value

Negative error numbers denote error messages defined by SCPI.

**Example:** SYST:ERR:CODE:ALL

queries all entries in the error queue.

Response: 0

no errors have occurred since the error queue was last read out.

Usage: Query only

# SYSTem:ERRor:CODE[:NEXT]?

The command queries the oldest entry in the error queue and then deletes it. Only the error number is returned and not the entire error text.

### Return values:

<Next> string

0

"No error", i.e. the error queue is empty

positive value

Positive error numbers denote device-specific errors

negative value

Negative error numbers denote error messages defined by SCPI.

**Example:** SYST:ERR:CODE

queries the oldest entry in the error queue.

Response: 0

No errors have occurred since the error queue was last read out.

Usage: Query only

#### SYSTem:ERRor:COUNt?

The command queries the number of entries in the error queue. If the error queue is empty, '0' is returned.

Return values:

<Count> string

**Example:** SYST:ERR:COUN

queries the number of entries in the error queue.

Response: 1

One error has occurred since the error queue was last read out.

Usage: Query only

# SYSTem:ERRor[:NEXT]?

The command queries the oldest entry in the error queue and then deletes it.

The command is identical to the command STATus: QUEue: NEXT.

Return values:

<Next> string

0

"No error", i.e. the error queue is empty

positive value

Positive error numbers denote device-specific errors

negative value

Negative error numbers denote error messages defined by SCPI.

**Example:** SYST:ERR?

queries the oldest entry in the error queue.

Response: 0, 'no error'

No errors have occurred since the error queue was last read out.

**Usage:** Query only

#### :SYSTem:IDENtification < Identification>

Enables/disables selection of user defined "IDN String" and "OPT String" for the selected instrument (:SYST: LANG).

**Note**: While working in a emulation mode, the R&S SMBV specific command set is disabled, i.e. the SCPI command SYST: IDEN will be discarded.

Parameters:

<Identification> AUTO | USER

\*RST: AUTO

Example: SYST: IDEN USER

selects the user defined identification string.

SYST: IRES "Test Device"

defines the identification string 'test device'

\*IDN?

Response: 'test device' SYST:LANG 'HP8657'

selects command set of the HP generator. The R&S SMBV's com-

mand set is disabled.

To return to the SCPI command set of the R&S SMBV, use the HP

command EX.

# :SYSTem:IRESponse < Iresponse >

The command defines the identification string for selection user defined (SYST: IDEN USER).

**Note**: While working in a emulation mode, the instrument's specific command set is disabled, i.e. the SCPI command SYST: IRES will be discarded.

Parameters:

<Iresponse> string

**Example:** SYST: IDEN USER

selects an user-defined identification
SYST:IRES "Test Device"

defines the identification string 'test device'

\*IDN?

Response: 'test device'

#### :SYSTem:KLOCk <Klock>

This command (**K**eyboard **LOC**k) disables the front panel keyboard of the instrument including the LOCAL key, or enables it again (OFF).

Parameters:

<Klock> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: OFF

Example: SYST:KLOC ON

activates the keyboard lock. The keyboard cannot be operated

again until it has been enabled with SYST: KLOC OFF.

# :SYSTem:LANGuage < Language >

Sets the remote control command set.

The instrument can also be remote controlled via the command set of several other generators, e.g. HP generator.

Please check for the corresponding Application Note at the download area of the product site on the Internet. The Application Note is also provided on the user documentation CD-ROM (included in delivery).

**Note**: While working in a emulation mode, the instrument's specific command set is disabled, i.e. the SCPI command SYST: LANG will be discarded.

The return to the SCPI command set of the R&S SMBV can only be performed by using the appropriate command of the selected command set. For example, the HP command EX returns to the instrument-specific GPIB command set (selection SYST: LANG HPXXXX).

# **Setting parameters:**

<Language> string

**Example:** SYST:LANG?

Response: SCPI

The SCPI command set is used.

**Usage:** Setting only

# :SYSTem:ORESponse <Oresponse>

The command defines the OPT string for selection user defined (SYST: IDEN USER).

**Note**: While working in a emulation mode, the instrument's specific command set is disabled, i.e. the SCPI command SYST: ORES will be discarded.

#### Parameters:

<Oresponse> string

Example: SYST: IDEN USER

selects an user-defined identification SYST:ORES "Test Option" defines the OPT string 'test option'

\*OPT?

Response: 'test option'

# :SYSTem:PROTect<ch>[:STATe] <State>,<password>

The command activates and deactivates the specified protection level.

#### Suffix:

<ch> Indicates the protection level.

There are several protection levels which disable specific service functions (authorized personnel of R&S Service Departments

only).

# Parameters:

<State> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

<password> The respective functions are disabled when the protection level is

activated. No password is required for activation. A password must be entered to deactivate the protection level. The password for the first level is 123456. This protection level can be used to lock-out

internal adjustments.

**Example:** SYST: PROT1 ON

activates protection level 1. Internal adjustments are only possible

after deactivating the lock-out. SYST: PROT1 OFF, 123456

deactivates protection level 1. Internal adjustments are enabled

again.

Usage: SCPI confirmed

#### SYSTem:SERRor?

This command returns a list of all errors existing at the time when the query is started. This list corresponds to the display on the info page under manual control.

Return values:

<Serror> string

**Example:** SYST:SERR

queries all errors existing in the error queue.

Example: Response: -221, 'Settings conflict', 153, 'Input

voltage out of range'

The two returned errors have occurred since the error queue was

last queried.

Usage: Query only

# :SYSTem:STARtup:COMPlete?

The command queries if the startup of the instrument is completed.

Return values:

<Complete> 0 | 1 | OFF | ON

\*RST: 0

**Example:** SYST:STAR:COMP

Response: 1

The startup of the instrument is completed.

Usage: Query only

# :SYSTem:TIME <Time>

The command gueries / sets the time for the instrument-internal clock.

The parameter is protected, in order to prevent accidental changes. It can be accessed with protection level 1, see :SYSTem:PROTect<ch>[:STATe] on page 716.

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Parameters:

<Time> 0...23,0...59,0...59

**Example:** SYST:TIME?

Response: 12, 0, 0 it is precisely 12 pm.

#### SYSTem: VERSion?

The command queries the SCPI version with which the instrument complies.

Return values:

<Version> string

**Example:** SYST: VERS

queries the SCPI version. Response: 1996

The instrument complies with the version from 1996.

Usage: Query only

# 7.17 TEST Subsystem

The TEST system contains the commands for performing the routines as well as for direct manipulation of the hardware assemblies (: TEST: DIRect).

The self tests return a "0" if the test is performed successfully, otherwise a value other than "0" is returned. None of the commands of this system have an \*RST value.

# NOTICE

# Improper use may destroy the assembly!

The respective hardware assembly responds directly to the :TEST:DIRect command; any safety mechanisms are bypassed. The command is used for servicing purposes and should not be applied by the user.

| :TEST <hw>:ALL:STARt</hw>  | 718 |
|----------------------------|-----|
| :TEST <hw>:ALL:RESult</hw> | 719 |
| :TEST <hw>:DIRect</hw>     | 719 |

# :TEST<hw>:ALL:STARt

This command performs a selftest on all installed hardware options. The selftest result is queried with the command :TEST<hw>:ALL:RESult on page 719.

**Example:** TEST:ALL:STAR

Starts the selftest

Usage: Event

#### :TEST<hw>:ALL:RESult?

Queries the result of the performed selftest (command :TEST<hw>:ALL:STARt on page 718).

Return values:

<All> 0 | 1

**Example:** TEST:ALL

Starts the selftest : TEST: ALL: RES?

Response: "0" on success, "1" on fail

Usage: Query only

:TEST<hw>:DIRect <HW assembly>,<subadress>,<hex data string>

:TEST<hw>:DIRect? <HW assembly>,<subadress>

The respective hardware assembly responds directly to the command; any safety mechanisms are bypassed. This function is only available via remote control.

Example: TEST:DIR 'SSYN', 0, #H12345678

TEST:DIR? 'SSYN',0 Response: #H12345678

# 7.18 TRIGger Subsystem

The TRIGger system contains the commands for selecting the trigger source for the RF and LF sweep. The trigger input connectors are configured in the SOURCE: INPut subsystem.

The trigger system of the R&S SMBV is a simplified implementation of the SCPI trigger system. The TRIGger system differs from the SCPI system as follows:

- No INITiate command; the instrument behaves as if INITiate: CONTinuous ON were set.
- Under TRIGger several sweep subsystems exist.

Other commands associated with the trigger system of the R&S SMBV can be found in the modulation and RF signal subsystems.

# TRIGger<hw>

- Suffix TRIGger<1|2> is not permitted
- TRIGger0 activates the LF output.

Table 7-3: Cross-reference between the manual and remote control

| R&S name | SCPI name | Command under manual control |
|----------|-----------|------------------------------|
| AUTO     | IMMediate | "Auto" mode                  |
| SINGle   | BUS       | "Single" mode.               |

| R&S name | SCPI name | Command under manual control  |
|----------|-----------|---|
| EXTernal | EXTernal  | "Ext Single" and "Ext Step" mode.                                   |
|          |           | Use command LFO: SWEep: MODE to select between the two sweep modes. |
| EAUTo    | -         | "Ext Start/Stop" mode.  |

| TRIGger0[:SWEep]:SOURce                | 720 |
|--|-----|
| :TRIGger <hw>:LFFSweep:SOURce</hw>     |     |
| :TRIGger <hw>:FSWeep[:IMMediate]</hw>  |     |
| :TRIGger <hw>:FSWeep:SOURce</hw>       |     |
| :TRIGger <hw>:PSWeep[:IMMediate]</hw>  |     |
| :TRIGger <hw>:PSWeep:SOURce</hw>       |     |
| :TRIGger <hw>[:SWEep][:IMMediate]</hw> |     |
| :TRIGger <hw>[:SWEep]:SOURce</hw>      |     |
|  |     |

TRIGger0[:SWEep]:SOURce <Source>

:TRIGger<hw>:LFFSweep:SOURce <Source>

The command sets the trigger source for the LF sweep. The trigger is triggered by the command :SOURce:LFOutput:SWEep[:FREQuency]EXECute.

The names of the parameters correspond directly to the various settings under manual control. SCPI uses other names for the parameters; these names are also accepted by the instrument. The SCPI names should be used if compatibility is an important consideration.

An overview of the various names is given in the table 7-3.

#### Parameters:

<Source> AUTO | IMMediate | SINGle | BUS | EXTernal | EAUTo

# **AUTO|IMMediate**

The trigger is free-running, i.e. the trigger condition is fulfilled continuously. As soon as one sweep is finished, the next sweep is started.

# SINGle|BUS

One complete sweep cycle is triggered by the GPIB commands [:SOURce]:LFOutput:SWEep[:FREQuency]:EXECute or \*TRG.

The mode has to be set to AUTO ([:SOURce]:LFOutput: SWEep[:FREQuency]:MODE).

#### **EXTernal**

The sweep is triggered externally via the INST TRIG connector.

#### **EAUTo**

The sweep is triggered externally via the INST TRIG connector. As soon as one sweep is finished, the next sweep is started. A second trigger event stops the sweep at the current frequency, a third trigger event starts the trigger at the start frequency, and so on.

\*RST: SINGle

**Example:** TRIG:LFFS:SOUR EXT

selects triggering with an external trigger.

# :TRIGger<hw>:FSWeep[:IMMediate]

The command immediately starts an RF frequency sweep cycle.

The command is only effective for sweep mode "Single" (SOUR: SWE: FREQ: MODE AUTO in combination with TRIG: FSW: SOUR SING).

The command corresponds to the manual control "Execute Single Sweep".

**Example:** SWE:FREQ:MODE AUTO

sets the triggered sweep mode, i.e. a trigger is required to start the

sweep.

TRIG:FSW:SOUR SING

sets the "Single" trigger mode, i.e. a trigger starts a single sweep.

TRIG: FSW

starts a single RF frequency sweep.

Usage: Event

# :TRIGger<hw>:FSWeep:SOURce <Source>

The command sets the trigger source for the RF frequency sweep.

The names of the parameters correspond directly to the various settings under manual control. SCPI uses other names for the parameters; these names are also accepted by the instrument. The SCPI names should be used if compatibility is an important consideration.

An overview of the various names is given in table 7-3.

#### Parameters:

<Source> AUTO | IMMediate | SINGle | BUS | EXTernal | EAUTo

#### **AUTO|IMMediate**

The trigger is free-running, i.e. the trigger condition is fulfilled continuously. As soon as one sweep is finished, the next sweep is started.

# SINGle|BUS

One complete sweep cycle is triggered by the GPIB commands

[:SOURce<hw>]:SWEep[:FREQuency]:EXECute,:

TRIGger<hw>:FSWeep[:IMMediate] or \*TRG. The mode has
to be set to AUTO (:SOURCe:SWEep:FREQuency:MODE AUTO).

#### **EXTernal**

The sweep is triggered externally via the INST TRIG connector.

#### **EAUTo**

The sweep is triggered externally via the INST TRIG connector. As soon as one sweep is finished, the next sweep is started. A second trigger event stops the sweep at the current frequency, a third trigger event starts the trigger at the start frequency, and so on.

\*RST: SINGle

Example: TRIG:FSW:SOUR EXT

selects triggering with an external trigger.

# :TRIGger<hw>:PSWeep[:IMMediate]

The command immediately starts an RF level sweep.

The command is only effective for sweep mode "Single" (SOURCE: SWEEp: POWER: MODE AUTO in combination with TRIG: PSW: SOUR SING).

The command corresponds to the manual control "Execute Single Sweep".

Example: SWE:POW:MODE AUTO

selects the triggered sweep mode, i.e. a trigger is required to start

the sweep.

TRIG:PSW:SOUR AUTO

sets the Single trigger mode, i.e. a trigger starts a single sweep.

TRIG: PSW

starts a single RF level sweep.

Usage: Event

#### :TRIGger<hw>:PSWeep:SOURce <Source>

The command sets the trigger source for the RF level sweep.

The names of the parameters correspond directly to the various settings under manual control. SCPI uses other names for the parameters; these names are also accepted by the instrument. The SCPI names should be used if compatibility is an important consideration.

An overview of the various names is given in table 7-3.

#### Parameters:

<Source> AUTO | IMMediate | SINGle | BUS | EXTernal | EAUTo

#### **AUTO|IMMediate**

The trigger is free-running, i.e. the trigger condition is fulfilled continuously. As soon as one sweep is finished, the next sweep is started.

# SINGle|BUS

One complete sweep cycle is triggered by the GPIB commands [:SOURce<hw>]:SWEep:POWer:EXECute, :TRIGger<hw>: PSWeep[:IMMediate] or \*TRG. The mode has to be set to AUTO (:SOURce:SWEep:LEVel:MODE AUTO).

#### **EXTernal**

The sweep is triggered externally via the INST TRIG connector.

#### **EAUTo**

The sweep is triggered externally via the INST TRIG connector. As soon as one sweep is finished, the next sweep is started. A second trigger event stops the sweep at the current frequency, a third trigger event starts the trigger at the start frequency, and so on.

\*RST: SINGle

Example: TRIG:PSW:SOUR EXT

selects triggering with an external trigger.

# :TRIGger<hw>[:SWEep][:IMMediate]

The command starts all sweeps which are activated for the respective path. The command starts all sweeps which are activated.

The sweep to be executed depends on the respective MODE setting (:SOUR:SWEep:POW|FREQ:MODE and:SOUR:LFO:SWEep[:FREQ]:MODE).

The command corresponds to the manual-control command "Execute Trigger".

Example: TRIG

starts all active sweeps.

Usage: Event

**UNIT Subsystem** 

# :TRIGger<hw>[:SWEep]:SOURce <Source>

The command sets the trigger source for all sweeps.

The names of the parameters correspond directly to the various settings under manual control. SCPI uses other names for the parameters; these names are also accepted by the instrument. The SCPI names should be used if compatibility is an important consideration.

An overview of the various names is given in the table 7-3.

#### Parameters:

<Source> AUTO | IMMediate | SINGle | BUS | EXTernal | EAUTo

#### **AUTO|IMMediate**

The trigger is free-running, i.e. the trigger condition is fulfilled continuously. As soon as one sweep is finished, the next sweep is started.

#### **SINGle|BUS**

One complete sweep cycle is triggered by the GPIB commands: SOURce: SWEep: POWer | FREQuency: EXEC,
TRIGger: PSWeep | FSWeep: IMMediate Or \*TRG.

If: SOURce: SWEep: POWer: MODE is set to STEP, one step is executed

The mode has to be set to AUTO.

#### **EXTernal**

The sweep is triggered externally via the INST TRIG connector.

#### **EAUTo**

The sweep is triggered externally via the INST TRIG connector. As soon as one sweep is finished, the next sweep is started. A second trigger event stops the sweep at the current frequency, a third trigger event starts the trigger at the start frequency, and so on.

\*RST: SINGle

Example: TRIGO:SOUR EXT

selects triggering with an external trigger. The trigger is input via

the INST TRIG connector.

**Usage:** Setting only

# 7.19 UNIT Subsystem

The UNIT subsystem contains the commands specifying which units are valid if no unit is indicated in a command. These settings are valid for the entire instrument.

**UNIT Subsystem** 

# :UNIT:ANGLe <Angle>

The command defines the default unit for the phase modulation angle. It is not valid for other commands which determine angle values, e.g. RF phase. It does not influence the manual control parameter unit and the display.

Parameters:

<Angle> DEGree | DEGRee | RADian

\*RST: RADian

**Example:** UNIT: ANGL DEG

sets default unit DEG for all commands which determine angle

values.

#### :UNIT:POWer < Power>

The command defines the default unit for power. It is valid for all commands which determine power values. It does not influence the manual control parameter unit and the display.

Parameters:

<Power> V | DBUV | DBM

\*RST: DBM

Example: UNIT: POW V

sets default unit V for all commands which determine power val-

ues.

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# 8 Maintenance

The instrument does not need periodic maintenance. Only the cleaning of the instrument is essential. The outside of the instrument is suitably cleaned using a soft, line-free dust cloth. Make sure that the air vents are not obstructed.



#### Shock hazard

Before cleaning the instrument, make sure that the instrument is switched off and disconnected from all power supplies.

# NOTICE

#### Instrument damage caused by cleaning agents

Cleaning agents contain substances that may damage the instrument, e.g. cleaning agents that contain a solvent may damage the front panel labeling or plastic parts.

Never use cleaning agents such as solvents (thinners, acetone, etc), acids, bases, or other substances.

The outside of the instrument can be cleaned sufficiently using a soft, lint-free dust cloth.

Follow the instructions in the service manual and the safety instructions when exchanging modules or ordering spares. The order no. for spare parts is included in the service manual. The service manual includes further information particularly on troubleshooting, repair, exchange of modules and alignment.

The address of our support center and a list of all Rohde & Schwarz service centers can be found at the beginning of this manual.

# 8.1 Storing and Packing

The storage temperature range of the instrument is given in the data sheet. If the instrument is to be stored for a longer period of time, it must be protected against dust.

Repack the instrument as it was originally packed when transporting or shipping. The two protective foam plastic parts prevent the control elements and connectors from being damaged. The antistatic packing foil avoids any undesired electrostatic charging to occur.

If you do not use the original packaging, use a sturdy cardboard box of suitable size and provide for sufficient padding to prevent the instrument from slipping inside the package. Wrap antistatic packing foil around the instrument to protect it from electrostatic charging.

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# 9 Error Messages

This chapter describes the error messages of the R&S SMBV. The error messages are output in the "Info" line on the screen and entered in the error/event queue of the status reporting system.

A great variety of different messages such as status messages, error messages, warnings or information are displayed in the header field of the screen. Some error messages require that the error must be eliminated before correct instrument operation can be ensured. The info window with a list of current messages and a detailed description of each message can be opened with the INFO key.

In the remote control mode, error messages are entered in the error/event queue of the status reporting system and can be queried with the command SYSTem: ERRor?. If the error queue is empty, 0 ("No error") is returned.

# 9.1 Status Information

The status messages are displayed in the header section of the screen. The status information gives the user an overview of the main operating states and settings of the instrument. The states are indicated for information only and do not necessitate any action by the user. Status information is displayed between the frequency and level fields, at the left of the info line or in the info line itself.

# 9.1.1 Status information displayed between the frequency and level fields

This chapter gives an overview of the status messages displayed between the frequency and level fields.

#### **RF OFF**

The RF output is switched off

# **MOD OFF**

All modulations are switched off

### **FREQ OFFSET**

A frequency offset is set.

The frequency entered and displayed in the "Frequency" field takes any set frequency offset into consideration, e.g. an offset set for a downstream instrument. This means that with a frequency offset the frequency displayed in the header does not correspond to the frequency at the RF output, but rather to the frequency at the output of the downstream instrument.

This allows the target frequency at the output of a downstream instrument to be entered in the frequency field. The signal generator changes the RF output frequency according to the entered offset.

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However, the frequency entered and displayed in the "Frequency/Phase" dialog of the "RF" function block always corresponds to the RF output frequency. Any frequency offset is not taken into consideration.

The correlation is as follows:

Freq in header = RF output frequency (= Freq in dialog) + Freq offset (= Offset in dialog)

#### **OVERLOAD**

The power of the external signal applied to the RF output is too high. The overload protection is tripped and the connection between the RF output and attenuator is interrupted. The overload protection is reset by pressing the RF ON/OFF key. The RF input is activated when the overload protection is reset.

#### LEVEL OFFSET

A level offset is set.

The level entered and displayed in the "Level" field takes the offset of any downstream attenuators/amplifiers into consideration by way of calculation. This means that with a level offset the level displayed in the header does not correspond to the level at the RF output, but rather to the level at the output of the downstream instrument.

This allows the target level at the output of downstream instruments to be entered. The signal generator changes the RF output level according to the set offset.

However, the level entered and displayed in the "Level" dialog of the "RF" function block always corresponds to the RF output level. Any level offset is not taken into consideration.

The correlation is as follows:

Level in header = RF output level (= Level in dialog) + Level offset

#### **EXT REF**

An external reference is used.

The external signal with selectable frequency and defined level must be input at the REF IN connector. It is output at the REF OUT connector.

#### **BUSY**

A setting or calculation is executed.

# 9.1.2 Status information displayed to the left of the Info line

This chapter gives an overview of the status messages displayed to the left of the Info line.

#### **REMOTE**

The instrument is remote controlled.

The keys on the front panel are usable, but all parameters are in read only mode.

The LOCAL key switches the instrument from remote control to manual operation. The current command must be fully processed before the mode is switched, otherwise the instrument switches immediately back to remote control.

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#### **REM-LLO**

The instrument is remote (**REM**ote) controlled. The LOCAL key is disabled by remote control with the command LLO (**LocalLockOut**).

The keys on the front panel are usable, but all parameters are in read only mode.

The instrument can be switched from remote control to manual operation by means of remote control only (e.g. with the Visual Basic command CALL IBLOC (generator%) or by &NREN).

#### LOC-LLO

For operating directly the instrument is placed from remote control to manual operation (Local State). The LOCAL key was disabled by remote control with the command LLO (LocalLockOut).

With the next activating of the remote control mode, the instrument cannot be switched to manual operation by the operator. The status information changes to "REM-LLO".

The instrument can be switched to manual operation by means of remote control only (e.g. with the Visual Basic command CALL IBLOC (generator%)).

#### SYS CTRL

Indicates that the instrument is controlling another instrument.

# 9.1.3 Status information displayed in the Info line

This chapter gives an overview of the status messages displayed in the Info line.

#### RFSweep / LevelSweep / LFSweep

The indicated sweep is enabled.

# ALC On / Auto / S&H

The status of the automatic level control is indicated:

- ON
  - automatic level control permanently on
- Auto
  - automatic level control is automatically adapted to the operating states
- S&F
  - automatic level control off, recalibration of the level whenever the level or frequency is set (sample and hold mode)
- Table
  - automatic level control off, recalibration of the level according to the internal ALC table

#### ListMode

List mode is active.

The values of the frequency/level pairs in the selected list are set for the chosen dwell time.

# **AttFixed**

Attenuator fixed mode is active.

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The uninterrupted level settings are made in a fixed range without attenuator switching. The variation range is set automatically when this mode is activated. The range is displayed under "Attenuator Fixed Range" in the "Level" dialog.

#### **UCorr**

User Correction is active.

The level is corrected by the given values in the selected user correction list. Correction is performed by the user-defined list values being added to the output level for the respective RF frequency. With frequencies which are not contained in the list, the level correction is determined by interpolation of the closest correction values.

#### OvenCold

The reference oscillator has not yet reached its nominal frequency.

When switching on from the STANDBY mode, the specified frequency accuracy is reached immediately. If the power switch was switched off, the reference oscillator needs some warm-up time to reach its nominal frequency. During this period of time, the output frequency does not yet reach its final value either.

# 9.2 Error Messages

Messages indicate errors in the instrument. They are displayed in the info line in different colors depending on their importance and display duration. Errors (e.g. no calibration data) are displayed in red, information (e.g. file not found) and warnings in black. Warnings indicate less significant errors (e.g. the instrument operates outside specified data).

# 9.2.1 Volatile messages

Volatile messages report automatic settings in the instrument (e.g. switching off of incompatible types of modulation) or on illegal entries that are not accepted by the instrument (e.g. range violations). They are displayed in the info line on a yellow background. They are displayed on top of status information or permanent messages.

Volatile messages do not normally demand user actions and disappear automatically after a brief period of time. They are stored in the history, however.

SCPI command: SYSTem: ERROr: ALL or SYSTem: ERROr [:NEXT]

# 9.2.2 Permanent messages

Permanent messages are displayed if an error occurs that impairs further instrument operation, e.g. a hardware fault. The error signaled by a permanent message must be eliminated before correct instrument operation can be ensured.

The message is displayed until the error is eliminated. It covers the status display in the info line. After error elimination, the message automatically disappears and is also recorded in the history.

**SCPI-Error Messages** 

SCPI command: SYSTem: SERRor

# 9.3 SCPI-Error Messages

The SCPI error messages are the same in all SCPI instruments. Detailed information and an overview of all error messages as defined in SCPI standard can be found in the corresponding documentation.

The errors are assigned negative numbers. The error text being entered into the error/ event queue or being displayed is printed in bold face on the left together with the error code. Below the error text, there is an explanation as to the respective error.

# 9.4 Device-Specific Error Messages

The following table contains all error messages specific for the instrument in alphabetical order, as well as an explanation of the error situation. The positive error codes mark the errors specific of the instrument.

The device-specific error messages set bit 3 in the ESR register.



The index provides a list of the error messages sorted according to their error codes.

| Error<br>Code | Error   | Description   | Remedy   |
|---------------|---|---|--|
| 50            | Extern reference out of range or disconnected | External reference is selected but no external signal is applied or the signal is out of range.   | Check the selected reference signal source (internal or external) in the "Setup > Reference Oscillator" dialog. Change setting to 'internal' if no appropriate external source is available. |
| 140           | This modulation forces other modulations off  | A modulation has been switched on which cannot be used at the same time as an already active modulation. The previous modulation has been switched off. |  |
|               |   | Example: Enabling modulation GSM/<br>EDGE switches any active digital mod-<br>ulation off.  |  |
| 180           | Adjustment failed                             | Adjustment could not be executed  | The adjustment data have to be generated first by an internal or external adjustment or to be loaded into the device (see chapter 5.2.3.1, "Internal Adjustments", on page 105.              |

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| Error<br>Code | Error                         | Description  | Remedy  |
|---------------|-------------------------------|--|---|
| 182           | Adjustment data missing       | Adjustment data are missing.   | The adjustment data have to be generated first by an internal or external adjustment or to be loaded into the instrument. |
| 183           | Adjustment data invalid       | Adjustment data are invalid and must be restored.  | The adjustment data have to be generated again by an internal or external adjustment or to be loaded into the instrument. |
| 200           | Cannot access hard-<br>ware   | The data transmission to a module was unsuccessful.  | The module is not installed, not properly installed or missing.   |
| 201           | Hardware revision out of date | A later version of certain parts of the instrument is necessary to execute the function selected.  | The driver does not support the installed version of a module.  |
| 202           | Cannot access the EEPROM      | A error occurs when writing or reading a EEPROM.   | The EEPROM might be defect and has to be replaced.  |
| 203           | Invalid EEPROM data           | Reading a EEPROM is possible, however the data are inconsistent.   |   |
| 204           | Driver initialization failed  | Initialization of a driver fails when booting the instrument firmware.   | The driver is not compatible with the hardware or software configuration of the instrument.                               |
| 241           | No current list               | There is no list selected. To execute the required operation, a list has to be selected in the related menu. If no list is available, a new list must be created.  |   |
| 242           | Unknown list type specified   | The list type selected is not valid for the required operation.  For instance, the file extension for waveform list files is *.wv. It is not possible to enter another file extension when selecting a list. | Check the selected list type.   |
| 261           | Waveform Protected            | The selected waveform file cannot be transferred to a controller. The waveform is produced with simulation software R&S WinIQSIM2 and is protected.  |   |
| 460           | Cannot open file              | The selected file can not be opened.   | Check the path and file name.   |
| 461           | Cannot write file             | The file can not be written.   | Check if the file is read-only.   |
| 462           | Cannot read file              | The file can not be read.  | Check if the file contents are compatible with the file type.   |
| 463           | Filename missing              | The required operation cannot be executed because the file name is not specified.  | A file name has to be entered when creating a new list.   |

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| Error<br>Code | Error                      | Description   | Remedy   |
|---------------|----------------------------|---|--|
| 464           | Invalid filename extension | The file extension is not valid for the required operation.   | Check the file extension.  For instance, the file extension for waveform list files is * . wv. It is not possible to enter another file extension when storing a list. |
| 465           | File contains invalid data | The selected file contains data that is not valid for the file type.  The file extension determines the data that is valid for this file type. If the file extension is changed the lists are no longer recognized and the data are therefore invalid.  Example: the extension of a waveform file (= *.wv) was changed to *.txt | Check the file extension.  |

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**GPIB Bus Interface** 

# A Hardware Interfaces

This section covers hardware related topics, like pin assignment of the GPIB bus interface, monitor and AUX I/O connectors.

The remote control interfaces are described in detailes in chapter 6, "Remote Control Basics", on page 392.

For specifications refer to the data sheet.

# A.1 GPIB Bus Interface

# Pin assignment

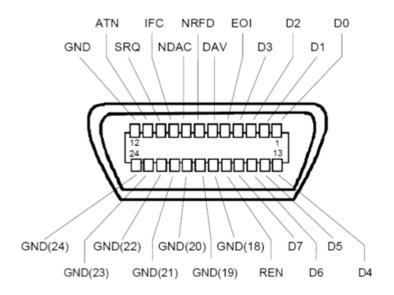


Fig. 1-1: Pin assignment of GPIB bus interface

#### **Bus lines**

- Data bus with 8 lines D0 to D7:
  - The transmission is bit-parallel and byte-serial in the ASCII/ISO code. D0 is the least significant bit, D7 the most significant bit.
- Control bus with five lines:
  - **IFC** (Interface Clear): active LOW resets the interfaces of the instruments connected to the default setting.
  - **ATN** (Attention): active LOW signals the transmission of interface messages, inactive HIGH signals the transmission of device messages.
  - **SRQ** (Service Request): active LOW enables the connected device to send a service request to the controller.
  - **REN** (Remote Enable): active LOW permits switchover to remote control.

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**GPIB Bus Interface** 

**EOI** (End or Identify): has two functions in connection with ATN:

- ATN=HIGH active LOW marks the end of data transmission.
- ATN=LOW active LOW triggers a parallel poll.
- Handshake bus with three lines:

**DAV** (Data Valid): active LOW signals a valid data byte on the data bus.

**NRFD** (Not Ready For Data): active LOW signals that one of the connected devices is not ready for data transfer.

**NDAC** (Not Data Accepted): active LOW signals that the instrument connected is accepting the data on the data bus.

# **Interface Functions**

Instruments which can be controlled via GPIB bus can be equipped with different interface functions. The interface function for the R&S SMBV are listed in the following table.

Table 1-1: GPIB bus interface functions

| Control character | Interface function  |
|-------------------|---|
| SH1               | Handshake source function (source handshake), full capability                           |
| AH1               | Handshake sink function (acceptor handshake), full capability                           |
| L4                | Listener function, full capability, de-addressed by MTA.                                |
| Т6                | Talker function, full capability, ability to respond to serial poll, deaddressed by MLA |
| SR1               | Service request function (Service Request), full capability                             |
| PP1               | Parallel poll function, full capability   |
| RL1               | Remote/Local switch over function, full capability                                      |
| DC1               | Reset function (Device Clear), full capability  |
| DT1               | Trigger function (Device Trigger), full capability                                      |

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| :DISPlay:DIALog:ID                              |     |
| :DISPlay:DIALog:OPEN                            |     |
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