

# Agilent N9340B Handheld Spectrum Analyzer

## **User's Guide**

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### **Documentation Conventions:**

- 1. A pair of curly brackets { } indicates a softkey, for example {Start} refers to the Start softkey.
- 2. A pair of square brackets [] indicates a hardkey, for example, [ENTER] refers to the ENTER hardkey.
- 3. "Analyzer" refers to Agilent N9340B handheld spectrum analyzer in the following chapters.
- 4. "DUT" refers to a device under test.





### Introduction

The Agilent N9340B is a handheld spectrum analyzer with a frequency range is 100 kHz to 3 GHz, tunable to 9 kHz. It has several different measurement modes. Each mode offers a set of automatic measurements that pre-configure the analyzer settings for ease of use. It provides ultimate measurement flexibility in a package that is ruggedized for field environments and convenient for mobile applications.

## **Functionality and Feature**

The Agilent N9340B provides your with a comprehensive functionality set and measurement convenience, including:

#### Power suite

provides power measurement functionality on OBW (Occupied Bandwidth), channel power, ACPR (Adjacent Channel Power Ratio), SEM (Spectrum emission mask), field strength and spectrogram.

#### · Spectrum emission mask

is a mask for out-of-channel emissions. it provide a user-defined channel setting and help user judge the signals.

#### USB power sensor support

supports Agilent U2000 series power sensors for high accuracy power measurement as a power meter

### Demodulation analysis function

provides optional AM/FM and ASK/FSK demodulation analysis function.

#### Tracking generator

provides an RF source for scalar network analysis (Option-TG3).

#### High-sensitivity measurement

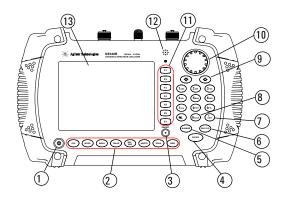
includes a 3 GHz pre-amplifier (Option-PA3) enabling highly sensitivity measurements, useful in the analysis of low-level signals.

## **Optimized Usability**

The Agilent N9340B handheld spectrum analyzer provides enhanced usability:

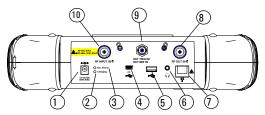
- The 6.5-inch TFT colorful LCD screen (640 × 480 pixels) enables you to read the scans easily and clearly outdoors.
- Arc-shaped handle and rugged rubber casing ensure a comfortable and firm hold and ruggedness.
- SCPI remote control via USB and LAN port.
- The PC software is convenient for your futher editing and data analysis.
- 4-hour-time battery provides you a continuous work time in the field test.
- The light sensor adjusts the display brightness according to the environment to save power.
- The headphone jack on the top panel is for the audio signal analysis and monitor.
- · Back-lit Keys makes you find the right keys in darkness easily.

## **Front Panel Overview**

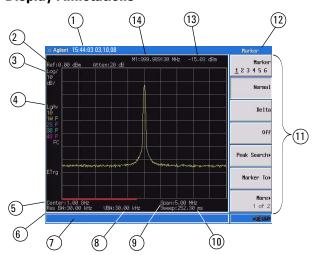


|    | Caption       | Function   |
|----|---------------|--|
| 1  | Power Switch  | Toggles the analyzer between on and off  |
| 2  | Function keys | Includes hardkeys: SYS, FREQ, SPAN, AMPTD, BW/SWP, TRACE, MEAS, and MODE                       |
| 3  | Preset        | Returns the analyzer to a known state, also turns on/off Power save feature (press for 1 sec.) |
| 4  | Enter         | Confirms a parameter selection or configuration  |
| 5  | MARKER        | Activates the marker function  |
| 6  | ESC/CLR       | Exits and closes the dialog box or clears the character input                                  |
| 7  | LIMIT         | Sets limit lines for quick Pass/Fail judgement   |
| 8  | Save          | Quick saves the current trace  |
| 9  | Arrow keys    | Increases or decreases a parameter step by step  |
| 10 | Knob          | Selects an option item or edits a numerical parameter  |
| 11 | Softkeys      | Indicates current menu functions   |
| 12 | Speaker       | Active when in demodulation mode   |
| 13 | Screen        | Displays measured traces and status  |
|    |               |  |

## **Top Panel Overview**



|    | Caption                          | Function   |
|----|----------------------------------|--|
| 1  | External DC power connector      | Provides input for the DC power source via an AC-DC adapter, or Automotive type DC adapter.                                      |
| 2  | LED indicator (Charging)         | Lights (On) when the battery is charging   |
| 3  | LED indicator                    | Lights (On) when external DC power is connected to the tester  |
| 4  | USB interface Type B (Device)    | Connects to a PC   |
| 5  | USB interface Type A (Host)      | Connects to a USB memory stick or disk   |
| 6  | Headphone                        | Connects to a headphone  |
| 7  | LAN Interface                    | Connects to a PC for SCPI remote control   |
| 8  | RF OUT Connector                 | The output for the built-in tracking generator. Enabled with Option TG3.   |
| 9  | EXT TRIG IN/REF IN (BNC, Female) | Connects to an external TTL signal or a 10 MHz reference signal. The TTL signal is used to trigger the analyzer's internal sweep |
| 10 | RF IN Connector (50 $\Omega$ )   | Accepts an external input with a frequency range from 100 kHz to 3 GHz, tunable to 9 kHz.  |



|    | Description          | Associated Function Key  |
|----|----------------------|--|
| 1  | Time and Date        | [SYS] > {Setting} > {General}  |
| 2  | Reference Level      | [AMPTD]  |
| 3  | Amplitude Scale      | [AMPTD]  |
| 4  | Detector Mode        | [TRACE] > {More} > {Detector}  |
| 5  | Center Frequency     | [FREQ] > {Center Freq}   |
| 6  | Resolution Bandwidth | [BW/SWP] > {RBW}   |
| 7  | Display Status Line  | Displays status and error messages.                                  |
| 8  | Video Bandwidth      | [BW/SWP] > {VBW}   |
| 9  | Frequency Span       | [SPAN]   |
| 10 | Sweep Time           | [BW/SWP] > {Sweep Time}  |
| 11 | Key Menu             | See key label description in the key reference for more information. |
| 12 | Key Menu Title       | Refers to the current activated function                             |
| 13 | Marker Amplitude     | [Marker]   |
| 14 | Marker Frequency     | [Marker]   |

## Instrument Markings

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The **CE** mark shows that the product complies with all relevant European Legal Directives.



The **CSA** mark is a registered trademark of the Canadian Standards Association.



The **C-Tick** mark is a registered trademark of the Australian Spectrum Management Agency.

ISM1-A

This symbol is an Industrial Scientific and Medical Group 1 Class A product (CISPR 11, Clause 4)

ICES/NMB-001

The ISM device complies with Canadian Interference-Causing Equipment Standard-001.



indicates that the user must refer to specific instructions in use.



The symbol is used to mark a position of the instrument power switch.



indicates this product complies with the WEEE Directive (2002/96/EC) marking requirements and you must not discard this equipment in domestic household waste. Do not dispose in domestic household waste. To return unwanted products, contact your local Agilent office, or

http://www.agilent.com/environment/product/

### 1 Overview



Information on checking the analyzer when received, preparation for use, basic instrument use, familiarity with controls, defining preset conditions, updating firmware, and contacting Agilent Technologies.

### 2 Getting Started

## **Checking Shipment and Order List**

Check the shipment and order list when you receive the shipment.

- Inspect the shipping container for damages.
   Signs of damage may include a dented or torn shipping container or cushioning material that indicate signs of unusual stress or compacting.
- Carefully remove the contents from the shipping container, and verify if the standard accessories and your ordered options are included in the shippment, according to the checklist and "AC Power Cords" on page 12.
- For any question or problem, contact Agilent Technologies Customer Contact Center (CCC) for consultant and service. See "Contact Agilent Technologies" on page 25. For the latest service information please refer to: http://www.agilent.com/find/assist

## **Power Requirements**

The AC power supplied must meet the following requirements:

Voltage: 100 VAC to 240 VAC Frequency: 50 to 60 Hz Maximum 62 W Power:

The AC/DC power supply charger adapter supplied with the analyzer is equipped with a three-wire power cord, in accordance with international safety standards. This power cord grounds the analyzer cabinet when it is connected to an appropriate power line outlet. The power cord appropriate to the original shipping location is included with the analyzer.

Various AC power cables are available from Agilent that are unique to specific geographic areas. You can order additional AC power cords are correct for use in different areas. The AC Power Cords table provides a lists of the available AC power cords, the plug configurations, and identifies the geographic area in which each cable is typically used.

The detachable power cord is the product disconnecting device. It disconnects the main AC circuits from the DC supply before other parts of the product. The front-panel switch is only a standby switch and do not disconnect instrument from AC LINE power.

## **AC Power Cords**

| Plug Type | Cable Part<br>Number | Plug <sup>a</sup><br>Description | For use in<br>Country & Region                         |
|-----------|----------------------|----------------------------------|--|
|           | 8121-1703            | BS 1363/A                        | Option 900   |
| 250V 10A  |                      |                                  | United Kingdom, Hong<br>Kong, Singapore, Malaysia      |
| 2000      | 8120-0696            | AS 3112:2000                     | Option 901   |
| 250V 10A  |                      |                                  | Australia, New Zealand                                 |
|           | 8120-1692            | IEC 83 C4                        | Option 902   |
| 250V 16A  |                      |                                  | Continental Europe, Korea,<br>Indonesia, Italy, Russia |
|           | 8120-1521            | CNS 10917-2                      | Option 903   |
| 125V 10A  |                      | /NEMA 5-15P                      | Unite States, Canada,<br>Taiwan, Mexico                |
|           | 8120-2296            | SEV 1011                         | Option 906   |
| 250V 10A  |                      |                                  | Switzerland  |
|           | 8120-4600            | SABS 164-1                       | Option 917   |
| 230V 15A  |                      |                                  | South Africa, India                                    |
|           | 8120-4754            | JIS C8303                        | Option 918   |
|           |                      |                                  | Japan  |
| 125V 15A  |                      |                                  |  |
|           | 8120-5181            | SI 32                            | Option 919   |
| 250V 16A  |                      |                                  | Israel   |
| Zooli     | 8120-8377            | GB 1002                          | Option 922   |
|           |                      |                                  | China  |
| 250V 10A  |                      |                                  |  |

## **Safety Considerations**

Agilent has designed and tested the N9340B handheld spectrum analyzer for Measurement. Control and Laboratory Use in accordance with Safety Requirements IEC 61010-1: 2001, UL 61010-1 (2004), and CSA C22.2 No.61010-1-04. The tester is supplied in a safe condition. The N9340B is also designed for use in Installation Category II and Pollution Degree 2 per IEC 61010 and IEC 60664 respectively.

Read the following safety notices carefully before vou start to use a N9340B handheld spectrum analyzer to ensure safe operation and to maintain the product in a safe condition.

WARNING

Personal injury may result if the analyzer's cover is removed. There are no operator-serviceable parts inside. Always contact Agilent qualified personnel for service. Disconnect the product from all voltage sources while it is being opened.

WARNING

This product is a Safety Class I analyzer. The main plug should be inserted in a power socket outlet only if provided with a protective earth contact. Any interruption of the protective conductor inside or outside of the product is likely to make the product dangerous. Intentional interruption is prohibited.

WARNING

Electrical shock may result when cleaning the analyzer with the power supply connected. Do not attempt to clean internally. Use a dry soft cloth to clean the outside case only.

WARNING

Always use the three-pin AC power cord supplied with this product. Failure to ensure adequate earth grounding by not using this cord may cause personal injury and product damage.

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WARNING

Danger of explosion if the battery is incorrectly replaced. Replace only with the same type battery recommended. Do NOT dispose of batteries in a fire. Do NOT place batteries in the trash. Batteries must be recycled or disposed of properly.

CAUTION

Recharge the battery only in the analyzer. If left unused, a fully charged battery will discharge itself over time.

Never use a damaged or worn-out adapter or battery. Charging the batteries internally, even while the analyzer is powered off, the analyzer may keep warm. To avoid overheating, always disconnect the analyzer from the AC adapter before storing the analyzer into the soft carrying case.

CAUTION

We strongly recommend you to connect the automotive adapter to the power output connector for IT equipment, when charging the battery on your automotive.

CAUTION

The VxWorks operating system requires full conformity to USB 1.1 or USB 2.0 standards from a USB disk. Not all the USB disk are built that way. If you have problems connecting a particular USB disk, please reboot the analyzer before inserting the next.

NOTE

Temperature extremes will affect the ability of the battery to charge. Allow the battery to cool down or warm up as necessary before use or charging.

Storing a battery in extreme hot or cold temperatures will reduce the capacity and lifetime of a battery. Battery storage is recommended at a temperature of less than  $45\,^{\circ}\text{C}.$ 

## **Environmental Requirements**

The N9340B is designed for use under the following conditions:

• Operating temperature:

-10°C to +50°C (with battery) 0°C to +40°C (with adapter)

• Storage temperature: -40°C to +70°C

• Humidity: 95% or less Altitude: 9200 m

## **Electrical Requirements**

The analyzer allows the use of either a lithium battery pack (internal), AC-DC adapter shipped with the analyzer, or optional automotive +12 VDC adapter for its power supply.

## **Electrostatic Discharge (ESD) Precautions**

This analyzer was constructed in an ESD protected environment. This is because most of the semiconductor devices used in this analyzer are susceptible to damage by static discharge.

Depending on the magnitude of the charge, device substrates can be punctured of destroyed by contact or proximity of a static charge. The result can cause degradation of device performance, early failure, or immediate destruction.

These charges are generated in numerous ways, such as simple contact, separation of materials. and normal motions of persons working with static sensitive devices.

When handling or servicing equipment containing static sensitive devices, adequate precautions must be taken to prevent device damage or destruction. Only those who are thoroughly familiar with industry accepted techniques for handling static sensitive devices should attempt to service circuitry with these devices.

## **Working with Batteries**

Always use the original battery type, as supplied with the analyzer.

## **Installing a Battery**

Insert a battery with the correct polarity orientation.



|   | Step                    | Notes  |
|---|-------------------------|--|
| 1 | Open the battery cover  | Use a phillips type screwdriver, loosen the retaining screw, then pull the battery cover open. |
| 2 | Insert the battery      | Observe correct battery polarity orientation when installing.                                  |
| 3 | Close the battery cover | Push the cover closed, then re-fasten the cover with the retaining screw.                      |

## **Viewing Battery Status**

Determine the battery status using either of the following methods:

- Checking the battery icon in the lower-right corner of the front-panel screen: it indicates the approximate level of charge.
- Press [SYS] > {More} > {Show System} > {Page down} to check the current battery information.

## Charging a Battery

This typically takes about three hours.

Only charge the battery when it is installed in the analyzer. Full charge the battery before first using the analyzer.

- 1 Insert the battery in the analyzer.
- 2 Attach the AC-DC adapter and switch on the external power.
- 3 The charge indicator lights, indicating that the battery is charging. When the battery is fully charged, the green charging indicator turns off.

During charging and discharging, the battery voltage, current, and temperature are monitored. If any of the monitored conditions exceed their safety limits, the battery will terminate any further charging or discharging until the error condition is corrected.

## Powering on the Analyzer for the First Time

Insert the battery into the analyzer or connect the analyzer to an external line power supply via the AC-DC adapter, then press the power switch on the front panel of your N9340B to power on the analyzer.

CAUTION

Use only the original AC-DC adapter or originally supplied battery for the power source.

The maximum RF input level of an average continuous power is 33 dBm (or  $\pm 50$  VDC signal input). Avoid connecting a signal into the analyzer that exceeds the maximum level.

Allow the analyzer to warm-up for 30 minutes before making a calibrated measurement. To meet its specifications, the analyzer must meet operating temperature conditions.



## **Preparation for Use**

Use [SYS] hardkey to check or set the system settings of your analyzer.

## Setting up your N9340B

- 1 Press [SYS] > {Setting} > {General} to set time and power saving mode:
  - Press {Time/Date} to set the time and date.
  - Press (Power Manager) to select a time for the follow three modes:
    - · turn off backlight
    - · turn off screen display
    - · turn off both backlight and screen display
- 2 Press [SYS] > {Setting} > {Language} to select a language displayed on screen.
- 3 Press [SYS] > {Brightness} and then rotate the knob to adjust display brightness.
- 4 Press [SYS] > {Key Beep} to toggle the buzzer beep function between on and off.

## **Checking Instrument Information**

- 1 Press [SYS] > {More} > {Show System} to display the system information.
- 2 Press [SYS] > {More} > {Option} to display the option information.
- 3 Press [SYS] > {More} > {Show Error} to display the error information.

Testing buttons Press [SYS] > {More} > {Diagnostics} > **(Front Panel)** to test all the front panel keys except [PRESET] and power switch.

## Making a Basic Measurement

This section provides information on basic analyzer operations. It assumes that you are familiar with the front and top panel buttons and keys, and display annotations of your analyzer. If you are not, please refer to "Front Panel Overview" on page 4, and "Top Panel Overview" on page 5, and "Display Annotations" on page 6.

For more details on making measurements, please refer to "Making Measurements" on page 39".

### **Entering Data**

When setting measurement parameters, there are several ways to enter or modify active function values:

### 1 Using the Front Panel Knob

Increases or decreases the current value.

### 2 Using the Arrow Keys

Increases or decreases the current value by the step unit defined.

Press [FREQ] > {CF Step} to set the frequency by an auto-coupled step (Step = Span/10, when {CF Step} mode is set to Auto).

### 3 Using the Numeric Keypad

Enters a specific value. Then press a terminator key (either a specified unit softkey or **[ENTER]**) to confirm input.

### 4 Using the Unit Softkeys

Terminates a parameter value which requires a unit input.

#### 5 Using the Enter Key

Terminates an entry or confirms a selection.

## Viewing a Signal on the Analyzer

- 1 Use a signal generator to generate a CW signal of 1.0 GHz, at a power level of 0.0 dBm.
- 2 Press [SYS] > {Setting} > {PwrOn/Preset} > {Preset Type) and select Default to toggle the preset setting to factory-defined status.
- 3 Press the green [Preset] key to restore the analyzer to its factory-defined setting.
- 4 Connect the generator's **RF OUT** connector to analyzer's RF IN connector.
- 5 Press [FREQ]  $> 1 > \{GHz\}$  to set the analyzer center frequency to 1 GHz.
- 6 Press  $[SPAN] > 5 > \{MHz\}$  to set the analyzer frequency span to 5 MHz.
- 7 Press [MARKER] > {Peak Search} to place a marker (M1) at the highest peak (1 GHz) on the display.

The Marker amplitude and frequency values appear in the function block and in the upper-right corner of the screen.

Use the front-panel knob, arrow keys, or the softkeys in the Peak Search menu to move the marker and read out the value of both frequency and amplitude displayed on the screen.

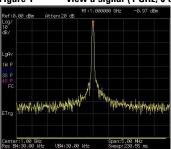


Figure 1 View a signal (1 GHz, 0 dBm)

## Some Helpful Tips

### Performing a time-base calibration

The N9340B provides a manual calibration function to calibrate the time base. The analyzer should warm up for approximately 30 minutes before calibration. Use a BNC cable to connect a 10 MHz reference signal to the EXT TRIG IN connector of the N9340B, then press [SYS] > {More} > {Calibration} > {Time Base} to initiate a calibration.

### Selecting a preset type

Press [SYS] > {Setting} > {PwrOn/Preset} > {Preset Type} to choose the preset types. The analyzer has three types of preset setting for you to choose from:

#### Default

Restores the analyzer to its factory-defined setting. The factory default settings can be found, "Factory Default Settings" on page 38.

#### User

Restores the analyzer to a user-defined setting. See "Saving a User-defined Preset" on page 22.

#### Last

Restores the analyzer to the last time setting.

### Saving a User-defined Preset

If you frequently use system settings that are not the factory defaults, refer to the following steps to create a user-defined system settings that can be easily recalled at the power up state:

- 1 Set analyzer parameters by the knob, the arrow keys or the numeric keypad.
- 2 Press [SYS] > {Setting} > {PwrOn/Preset} > {Save User} to save the current parameters as the user preset setting.

- 3 Press [SYS] > {Setting} > {PwrOn/Preset} > {Preset **Type User**} to set the preset mode to user defined system setting.
- 4 Press [Preset], the instrument will be set to the state you previously saved.

### Saving Multiple Test Setups

Test Setups that are unique and are neccessary to recall frequently can be saved as an instrument state file. Other file types are described on "File Types" on page 31.

### Upgrading Firmware



When updating firmware, there must be a constant power supply to for at least 10 minutes. If power fails during the updating process it can cause damage to the instrument.

The N9340B allows firmware updating quickly and easily. Perform the following steps for updating the firmware in your instrument:

- 1 Set up a folder named "N9340DATA" in the root directory of a USB memory stick, that is to be used for transferring the firmware to the instrument.
- 2 Store the firmware update application into the folder named N9340DATA on the memory stick.
- 3 Insert the USB memory stick into the correct USB connector on the top panel of the analyzer.
- 4 Press [SYS] > {More} > {Upgrade} > {Firmware} to activate the firmware updating procedure. The analyzer will perform the update automatically.

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## **Adding an Option**

Pressing [SYS] > {More} > {Option} > {Add Option} brings up a dialog box for entering the option license code. Use the numeric keypad to input the option license code and then use the [ENTER] key as a terminator. If the analyzer recognizes the option license code, a message "Option activated successfully" will appear in the status line. If the code is not recognized, a message "Invalid option licence" will appear in the status line.

## **Contact Agilent Technologies**

Agilent has Sales and Service Offices around the world to provide you with complete support. Go to http://www.agilent.com/find/assist for help with:

- · product selection, configuration, and purchases.
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## 2 Getting Started



Information on System Settings, File types, Saving a file, Quick save a Trace/Screen, Instrument Default Settings.

## **Visual and Audio Adjustment**

### **Display Adjustment**

Press [SYS] > {Brightness} to toggles the screen brightness between Auto and Man. When it sets to Auto, the brightness will adjust according to the environment automatically with the built-in light sensor. When it sets to Man, it's available for you to set a fixed brightness value manually.

## Setting button backlight

Press [SYS] > {KeyBackLight} > {BackLight} to toggles the button backlight on and off.

### **Setting Key Beep**

Press [SYS] > {Key Beep} to activate the key beep function as an indicator of key operation.

## System Setting

Includes general system settings, displayed language setting, and external input setting.

## **General system settings**

Provides the following system setting options:

#### Time/Date

Press  $[SYS] > \{Setting\} > \{General\} > \{Time/Date\}$ to set the date and time of the analyzer.

The analyzer requires you to input the time in a HHMMSS format, and the date in a YYYYMMDD format.

### Power Manager

Press  $[SYS] > \{Setting\} > \{General\} > \{Power manager\}$ to select a power saving mode from the followings. The three modes provide a choice for setting the idle time limit as 5, 15, 30 minutes or 4 hours.

### Backlight

The analyzer turns off the backlight of the LCD screen after a pre-defined idle time. Press any key to re-activate the backlight after the backlight power-saving mode has been triggered.

#### LCD

The analyzer turns off the LCD display after a pre-defined idle time. Press any key to re-activate the LCD display after the LCD display power-saving mode has been triggered.

### All - Backlight & LCD

The analyzer turns off the both the LCD display and the backlight after a pre-defined idle time. Press any key to re-activate the backlight and LCD display after the backlight and LCD power-saving mode has been triggered.

## **Ext Input**

NOTE

The external **Ref** and **Trig** functions are not available at the same time.

Toggles the channel for external input between **Ref** and **Trig. Ref** refers to a 10 MHz reference signal; **Trig** refers to a TTL signal.

Key Access: [SYS] > {Setting} > {Ext Input}

### **External Reference (Ref)**

Use the external reference function as follows:

- 1 Input a 10 MHz signal to the EXT TRIG IN/REF IN connector.
- 2 Press [SYS] > {Setting} > {Ext Input Ref} to enable the external reference signal input.

The analyzer then turns off its internal reference.

## **External Trigger (Trig)**

When an external TTL signal is used for triggering function, the analyzer uses the inner reference as default.

Use the external trigger function as follows:

- 1 Press [SYS] > {Setting} > {Ext Input Trig} to enable the external TTL signal input.
- 2 Press [SPAN] > {Zero Span} to activate the Trigger function.
- 3 Access the associated softkeys to select the rising edge (Ext Rise) or the falling edge (Ext Fall) as the trigger threshold.

NOTE

The trace will halt in external trigger mode till the trigger threshold is met or the free run function is activated.

#### File

Pressing [SYS] > {File} accesses to the menu that allows you to manage the file saving and loading.

A USB memory stick of FAT32 or FAT16 format and with only one memory zone is primarily required when using USB memory stick for file saving and loading.

#### File Types

Each file type has a specific purpose as defined below. Pressing [SYS] > {File} > {File Setup} > {File type} allows the user to select a file type from one of the following:

- Trace (\*.DAT) A trace file records trace data and controls.
- · Screen (\*.JPG) A screen file records graphic information of the current screen.
- State (\*.STA) A state file records the current controls and settings of the analyzer. Use this file type for saving test parameters for future recall, such as Frequency, Amplitude and BW settings.
- Pattern (\*.PTN) A pattern file records the limit line settings.
- Spectrum Mask (\*.MSK) A mask file records the spectrum mask settings. You can use the N9340 PC software to edit a mask file and transfer the mask to your N9340B.
- CSV (\*.CSV) A CSV file records the trace data and available for review on PC.
- Setup (\*.SET) A setup file records the system setting information, such as language, date/time, and power saving mode. This file type is not used for test parameter setup information.

#### 3 System Setting

#### Saving Path

Press [SYS] > {File} > {File Setup} > {Save Path} to select a path from one of the following:

- · Local memory
- · External USB memory stick

#### Saving a file



When selecting a file type, you can edit a file name by pressing the numeric and alphabetic hardkeys on the right side of the analyzer's front panel.

Refer to the following three steps to save a file:

- 1 Press [SYS] > {File} > {File Setup} to select the save path and file type.
- 2 Edit a file name.
  - A file name can consist of letters and digits. A single key stroke on the numerical keypad inputs a digital number; and consecutive key stroke selects and inputs a letter.
- 3 Press (Save) to save the file.

When a file saving completes, the message "File Saved" displays on the bottom line of the screen.

NOTE

When the saving path to USB, files are automatically saved into a folder named as N9340DATA in the root directory of the USB memory stick.

If the USB memory stick connection can not be updated, remove the USB memory stick, then cycle the power and re-insert the USB memory stick.

#### Quick saving a trace or a screen

Press [0/Save] to quickly save a trace or a screen to either the local memory or an external USB device, depending upon the setup of the save path.

Three steps for saving a trace or a screen:

- 1 Press [SYS] > {File} > {File Setup} > {Shortcut Type} to indicate the shortcut type to either a trace or a screen copy.
- 2 Press [SYS] > {File} > {File Setup} > {Save Path} to either local memory or an external USB device.
- 3 Press [Return], [Save] to save a trace or a screen copy to the pre-defined memory. The trace or screen will be automatically assigned with a default file name. A trace will be assigned with a file name, such as HYTRACE, HYTRACE 1, and consecutive decimal numbers appended to the alphabetic file name, such as HYSCREEN. HYSCREEN\_1 and consecutive decimal numbers appended to the alphabetic file name.

#### Quick saving a setup

Press [SYS] > {More} > {More} > {SaveSYS Setup} to quick save the current system settings. This does not include the test parameters, such as, Frequency, BW, and Amplitude settings.

#### Quick recalling a setup

Load default

Press  $[SYS] > \{More\} > \{More\} > \{Re-SYS Setup\} > \{Load\}$ **default**} to recall the factory default setup.

User Setup

Press  $[SYS] > \{More\} > \{More\} > \{Re-SYS Setup\} > \{User$ **Setup**) to recall a customized setup that has been saved previously.

All the quick saving utility of system state is equal to the saving utility under the [SYS] > {File}.

# Viewing file list

Refer to the following two steps to view file list:

- Select the directory to view. Press [SYS] > {File} > {View} to toggle the displayed file list from local memory or an external USB memory stick.
- **2** Select the file type you wish to view. Press  $[SYS] > \{File\} > \{File setup\} > \{File type\}$  to select a file type.

# Deleting a file



Once a file is deleted, it CANNOT be recovered. Carefully decide whether to delete a file before proceeding.

- 1 Press [SYS] > {File} > {View} to select a directory.
- 2 Press [SYS] > {File} > {File setup} > {File type} to select a file type.
- 3 Rotate the knob to highlight a file.
- 4 Press (**Delete**) to delete a selected file. The file will be deleted after you press Yes to confirm deleting.

# Loading a file



A screen file (\*.JPG) can not be loaded into the analyzer.

- 1 Press [SYS] > {File} > {View} to select a directory.
- 2 Press {File Setup} > {File type} to select a file type.
- 3 Rotate the knob to highlight a file.
- 4 Press (Load Now) to recall the pre-saved file.

# **Show System**

Displays the following hardware, software and battery information of the analyzer:

| Machine Model         | Battery Info  |
|-----------------------|---------------|
| MCU Firmware Version  | Name          |
| DSP Firmware Version  | Serial NO.    |
| FPGA Firmware Version | Capacity      |
| RF Firmware Version   | Temperature   |
| RF Module S/N         | Charge Cycles |
| KeyBoard Module S/N   | Voltage       |
| This Run Time         | Current       |
| Temperature           | Charge Status |
| Source Voltage        | Remain Time   |
| Power Source          | Host ID       |

Key access: [SYS] > {More} > {Show system}

#### 3 System Setting

#### **Show Error**

Accesses a list of the 30 most recent error messages reported by the analyzer. The most recent error will appear at the bottom of the list. If the error list is longer than 30 entries, the analyzer reports an error message [-350, Query overflow]. When in remote control, and the error list is greater than 30 entries, the error display is halted and a message at the bottom of the list informs the user that error exceed 30.

Key access:  $[SYS] > \{More\} > \{Show Error\}$ 

For more information, refer to "Error Messages" on page 183.

#### Perform a Time Base Calibration

When the calibration function is triggered, the current measurement is interrupted and a gauge displays on the LCD. The gauge simply indicates calibration action rather than calibration course, as the calibration time is unpredictable. When the calibration is finished, the LCD displays a calibration, and the interrupted measurement restarts.

Time base calibration takes during a short time only when the inner temperature is stable. When the inner temperature is increasing, calibration takes a long-time course or will fail. If the input reference signal is abnormal, the calibration cycle will take a long and unpredictable time to exit, and the LCD displays an error message.

Key Access: [SYS] > {More} > {Calibration}

# **Factory Default Settings**

| Parameter           | Default Setting               |
|---------------------|-------------------------------|
| Center Frequency    | 1.5 GHz                       |
| Start Frequency     | 0.0 Hz                        |
| Stop Frequency      | 3.0 GHz                       |
| Span                | 3.0 GHz                       |
| Reference Level     | 0.0 dBm                       |
| Attenuation         | Auto (20 dB)                  |
| Scale/DIV           | 10 dB/DIV                     |
| Scale Type          | Log                           |
| RBW                 | Auto (1 MHz)                  |
| VBW                 | Auto (1 MHz)                  |
| Average Type        | Log Power                     |
| Sweep time          | Auto                          |
| Sweep Mode          | Normal                        |
| Trace 1             | Clear write                   |
| Trace 2             | Blank                         |
| Trace 3             | Blank                         |
| Trace 4             | Blank                         |
| Trace 1 Detection   | Pos Peak                      |
| Trace 2 Detection   | Pos Peak                      |
| Trace 3 Detection   | Pos Peak                      |
| Trace 4 Detection   | Pos Peak                      |
| Trace Average       | All Off                       |
| Marker              | All Off                       |
| File Type           | Trace                         |
| Save Path           | Local                         |
| Mode                | Spectrum Analyzer             |
| External Input type | Trigger in (TTL signal input) |

For more information about saving a user-defined preset, refer to "Selecting a preset type" and "Saving a User-defined Preset" on page 22.



# **Measuring Multiple Signals**

This section provides information on measuring multiple signals.

# **Comparing Signals on the Same Screen**

The N9340B can easily compare frequency and amplitude signal differences. For example, measuring radio or television signal spectra. The Delta Marker function allows two signals to be compared when both appear on the screen at the same time.

In this following example, a 50 MHz input signal is used to measure frequency and amplitude differences between two signals on the same screen. The Delta Marker function is demonstrated in this example.

- 1 Press [PRESET] to set the analyzer to a factory default setting.
- 2 Input a signal (0 dB, 50 MHz) to the **RF IN** connector of the analyzer.
- 3 Set the analyzer start frequency, stop frequency and reference level to view the 50 MHz signal and its harmonics up to 100 MHz:
  - Press [FREQ] > 40 > {MHz}
  - Press [FREQ] > 110 > {MHz}
  - Press [AMPTD]  $> 0 > \{dBm\}$
- 4 Press [MARKER] > {Peak search} to place a marker on the highest peak on the display (50 MHz). The {Next Left PK} and {Next Right PK} softkeys are available to move the marker from peak to peak.
- 5 Press [MARKER] > {Delta} to anchor the first marker (labeled as M1) and activate a delta marker.

The label on the first marker now reads 1R, indicating that it is the reference point.

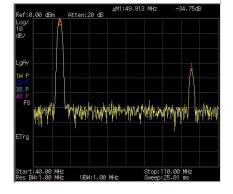
6 Move the second marker to another signal peak using the front panel knob or by using the {Peak **Search**} softkey. In this example the next peak is 100 MHz, a harmonic of the 50 MHz signal:

 Press [MARKER] > {Peak Search} > {Next Right PK} or {Next Left PK}.

NOTE

To increase the resolution of the marker readings, turn on the frequency count function. For more information, please refer to "Improving Frequency Resolution and Accuracy" on page 50.

Figure 2 Delta pair marker with signals (same screen)



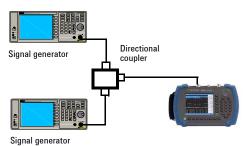
#### **Resolving Signals of Equal Amplitude**

In this example a decrease in resolution bandwidth is used in combination with a decrease in video bandwidth to resolve two signals of equal amplitude with a frequency separation of 100 kHz.

Notice that the final RBW selected is the same width as the signal separation while the VBW is slightly narrower than the RBW.

1 Connect two sources to the analyzer input as shown below.

Figure 3 Setup for obtaining two signals



- 2 Set one source to 300 MHz. Set the frequency of the other source to 300.1 MHz. Set both source amplitudes to -20 dBm.
- 3 Setup the analyzer to view the signals:
  - Press [PRESET]
  - Press [FREQ] > 300.05 > {MHz}
  - Press [SPAN] > 2 > {MHz}
  - Press [BW/SWP] > 30 > {kHz}

Use the knob or the arrow keys to further reduce the resolution bandwidth and better resolve the signals. As you decrease the resolution bandwidth, you improve the resolution of the individual signals and it also increases the sweep timing. For fastest measurement times, use the widest possible resolution bandwidth.

Under factory preset conditions, the resolution bandwidth is coupled to the span.

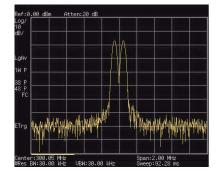


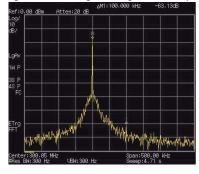
Figure 4 Resolving signals of equal amplitude

# Resolving Small Signals Hidden by Large Signals

This example uses narrow resolution bandwidths to resolve two input signals with a frequency separation of 50 kHz and an amplitude difference of 60 dB.

- 1 Connect two sources to the analyzer input connector as shown in Figure 3 on page 42.
- 2 Set one source to 300 MHz at -10 dBm. Set the other source to 300.05 MHz at -70 dBm.
- 3 Set the analyzer as follows:
  - Press [PRESET]
  - Press [FREQ] > 300.05 > {MHz}
  - Press [SPAN] > 500 > {kHz}
  - Press [BW/SWP] > 300 > {Hz}
- 4 Reduce the resolution bandwidth filter to view the smaller hidden signal. Place a delta marker on the smaller signal:
  - Press [MARKER] > {Peak Search}
  - Press [MARKER] > {Delta}
  - Press [MARKER] > {Peak Search} > {Next Right PK}
     or {Next Left PK}

Figure 5 Resolving small signal hidden by a large signal



# Measuring a Low-Level Signal

This section provides information on measuring low-level signals and distinguishing them from spectrum noise. There are four main useful techniques as follows to measure a low-level signal.

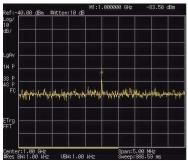
#### **Reducing Input Attenuation**

The ability to measure a low-level signal is limited by internally generated noise in the spectrum analyzer.

The input attenuator affects the level of a signal passing through the analyzer. If a signal is very close to the noise floor, reducing input attenuation will bring the signal out of the noise.

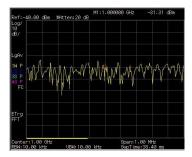
- 1 Preset the analyzer:
- 2 Input a signal (1 GHz, -80 dBm) to RF IN.
- 3 Set the CF, span and reference level:
  - Press [FREQ] > 1 > {GHz}
  - Press [SPAN] > 5 > {MHz}
  - Press [AMPTD] > -40 > {dBm}
- 4 Move the desired peak (in this example, 1 GHz) to the center of the display:
  - Press [MARKER] > {Peak Search}
  - Press [MARKER] > {Marker To} > {To Center}

Figure 6 A signal closer to the noise level (Atten:10 dB)



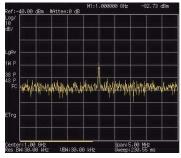
- 5 Reduce the span to 1 MHz and if necessary re-center the peak.
  - Press [SPAN] > 1 > {MHz}
- 6 Set the attenuation to 20 dB. Note that increasing the attenuation moves the noise floor closer to the signal level.
  - Press [AMPTD] > {Attenuation} > 20 > {dB}

Figure 7 A signal closer to the noise level (Atten: 20 dB)



7 Press [AMPTD] >{Attenuation} > 0 > {dB} to set the attenuation to 0 dB.

Figure 8 A signal closer to the noise level (Atten: 0 dB)



#### **Decreasing the Resolution Bandwidth**

Resolution bandwidth settings affect the level of internal noise without affecting the amplitude level of continuous wave (CW) signals. Decreasing the RBW by a decade reduces the noise floor by 10 dB.

- 1 Refer to "Reducing Input Attenuation" on page 45, and follow steps 1, 2 and 3.
- 2 Decrease the resolution bandwidth:
  - Press [BW/SWP], and toggle RBW setting to Man (manual), then decrease the resolution bandwidth using the knob, the arrow keys or the numeric keypad.

The low level signal appears more clearly because the noise level is reduced.

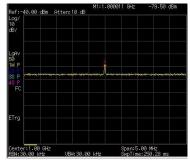


Figure 9 Decreasing resolution bandwidth

# Using the Average Detector and Increased Sweep Time

The analyzer's noise floor response may mask low-level signals. Selecting the instruments averaging detector and increasing the sweep time will smooth the noise and improve the signal's visibility. Slower sweep times are necessary to average noise variations.

- 1 Refer to "Reducing Input Attenuation" on page 45, and follow steps 1, 2 and 3.
- 2 Press [TRACE] > {More} > {Detector} > {Average} to select the average detector.
- 3 Press [BW/SWP] > {Sweep Time} to set the sweep time to 500 ms. Note how the noise appears to smooth out. The analyzer has more time to average the values for each of the displayed data points.
- 4 Press [BW/SWP] > {Avg Type} to change the average type.

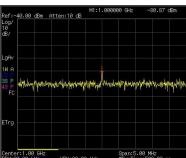


Figure 10 Using the average detector

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# **Trace Averaging**

Averaging is a digital process in which each trace point is averaged with the previous sweeps data average for the same trace point.

Selecting averaging, when the analyzer is auto coupled, changes the detection mode to sample, smoothing the displayed noise level.

NOTE

This is a trace processing function and is not the same as using the average detector (as described on page 48).

- 1 Refer to the first procedure "Reducing Input Attenuation" on page 45, and follow steps 1, 2 and 3.
- 2 Press [TRACE] > {Average} (On) to turn average on.
- 3 Press 50 > [ENTER] to set the average number to 50.

As the averaging routine smoothes the trace, low level signals become more visible.

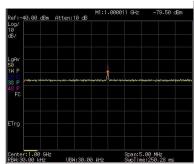


Figure 11 Trace averaging

# **Improving Frequency Resolution and Accuracy**

Using the frequency counter to improve frequency resolution and accuracy.

NOTE

Marker count properly functions only on CW signals or discrete spectral components. The marker must be > 40 dB above the displayed noise level.

- 1 Press [PRESET] (Factory Preset)
- 2 Input a signal (1 GHz, -30 dBm) to the analyzer's **RF IN** connector.
- 3 Set the center frequency to 1 GHz and the span to 5 MHz.
- 4 Press [MARKER] > {More} > {Mode} > {Freq Count} to turn the frequency counter on.
- 5 Move the marker by rotating the knob, to a point half-way down the skirt of the signal response.
- 6 Press [MARKER] > {More} > {Mode} > {Normal} to turn off the marker counter.

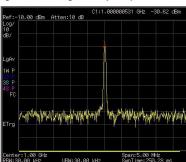


Figure 12 Using the frequency counter

# **Making Distortion Measurements**

This section provides information on measuring and identifying signal distortion.

# **Identifying Analyzer Generated Distortion**

High level input signals may cause analyzer distortion products that could mask the real distortion present on the measured signal. Use trace and the RF attenuator to determine which signals, if any, may be internally generated distortion products.

In this example, a signal from a signal generator is used to determine whether the harmonic distortion products are generated by the analyzer.

- 1 Input a signal (200 MHz, -10 dBm) to the analyzer **RF IN** connector.
- 2 Set the analyzer center frequency and span:
  - Press [PRESET] (factory preset)
  - Press [FREQ] > 400 > {MHz}
  - Press [SPAN] > 700 > {MHz}

The signal produces harmonic distortion products (spaced 200 MHz from the original 200 MHz signal)

Ref: 0.30 dBm Atten: 20 dB Log/ 10 dB Log/ 1

Figure 13 Harmonic distortion

- 3 Change the center frequency to the value of the second (400 MHz) harmonic:
  - Press [MARKER] > {Peak Search}
  - Press [MARKER] > {Marker To} > {To Center}
- 4 Change the span to 50 MHz and re-center the signal:
  - Press [SPAN] > 50 > {MHz}
  - Press [MARKER] > {Peak Search}
- 5 Set the attenuation to 0 dB:
  - Press [AMPTD] > {Attenuation} > 0 > {dB}
  - Press [MARKER] > {Marker To} > {To Ref}
- **6** To determine whether the harmonic distortion products are generated by the analyzer, first save the trace data in trace 2 as follows:
  - Press [TRACE] > {Trace (2)}
  - Press [TRACE] > {Clear Write}
- 7 Allow trace 2 to update (minimum two sweeps), then store the data from trace 2 and place a delta marker on the harmonic of trace 2:
  - Press [TRACE] > {View}
  - Press [MARKER] > {Peak Search}
  - Press [MARKER] > {Delta}

The figure 14 shows the stored data in trace 2 and the measured data in trace 1. The Marker Delta indicator reads the difference in amplitude between the reference and active trace markers.

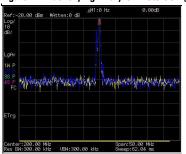


Figure 14 Identifying Analyzer Distortion (0 dB atten)

8 Press [AMPTD] >  $\{Attenuation\} > 10 > \{dB\}$  to increase the RF attenuation to 10 dB.

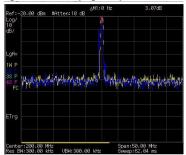


Figure 15 Identifying Analyzer Distortion (10 dB atten)

The marker readout comes from two sources:

- Increased input attenuation causes poorer signal-to-noise ratio. This causes the marker delta value to be positive.
- Reduced contribution of the analyzer circuits to the harmonic measurement causes the marker to be negative.

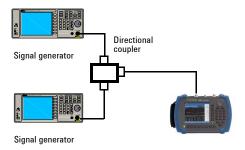
A large marker delta value readout indicates significant measurement errors. Set the input attenuator at a level to minimize the absolute value of marker delta.

#### Third-Order Intermodulation Distortion

Two-tone, third-order intermodulation (TOI) distortion is a common test in communication systems. When two signals are present in a non-linear system, they may interact and create third-order intermodulation distortion products that are located close to the original signals. System components such as amplifiers and mixers generate these distortion products.

In this example we test a device for third-order intermodulation using markers. Two sources are used, one set to 300 MHz and the other to 301 MHz.

1 Connect the equipment as shown in figure below.



This combination of signal generators and directional coupler (used as a combiner) results in a two-tone source with very low intermodulation distortion.

Although the distortion from this setup may be better than the specified performance of the analyzer, it is useful for determining the TOI performance of the source/analyzer combination.

After the performance of the source/analyzer combination has been verified, the DUT (device under test, for example, an amplifier) would be inserted between the directional coupler output and the analyzer input.

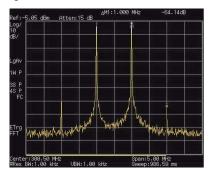
NOTE

The coupler used should have a high isolation between the two input ports to limit the sources intermodulation.

- 2 Set one source (signal generator) to 300 MHz and the other source to 301 MHz. This will define the frequency separation at 1 MHz. Set both sources equal in amplitude, as measured by the analyzer. In this example, they are both set to -5 dBm.
- 3 Set the analyzer center frequency and span:
  - Press [PRESET] (Factory preset)
  - Press [FREQ] > 300.5 > {MHz}
  - Press [SPAN] > 5 > {MHz}
- 4 Reduce the RBW until the distortion products are visible:
  - Press [BW/SWP] > {RBW}, and reduce the RBW using the knob, the arrow keys or the numeric keypad.
- 5 Move the signal to the reference level:
  - Press [MARKER] > {Peak Search}
  - Press [MARKER] > {Marker To} > {To Ref}
- 6 Reduce the RBW until the distortion products are visible:
  - Press [BW/SWP] > {RBW}, and reduce the RBW using the knob, the arrow keys or the numeric keypad.
- 7 Activate the second marker and place it on the peak of the distortion product (beside the test signal) using the Next Peak:
  - Press [MARKER] > {Delta}

- Press [MARKER] > {Peak Search} > {Next Left (Right) PK}
- 8 Measure the other distortion product:
  - Press [MARKER] > {Normal}
  - Press [MARKER] > {Peak Search} > {Next Left (Right) Peak}
- 9 Measure the difference between this test signal and the second distortion product.
  - Press [MARKER] > {Normal}
  - Press [MARKER] > {Peak Search} > {Next Left/Right Peak}

Figure 16 TOI test screen

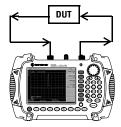


# Making a Stimulus Response Transmission Measurement

The procedure below describes how to use a built-in tracking generator to measure the rejection of a low pass filter, a type of transmission measurement.

1 To measure the rejection of a low pass filter, connect the equipment as shown below. A 370 MHz low-pass filter is used as a DUT in this example.

Figure 17 Transmission Measurement Test Setup



- 2 Press [Preset] to perform a factory preset.
- **3** Set the start and stop frequencies and resolution bandwidth:
  - Press [FREQ] > {Start Freq} > 100 > {MHz}
  - Press [FREQ] > {Stop Freq} > 1 > {GHz}
  - Press [BW/SWP] > {RBW} > 1 > {MHz}
- 4 Turn on the tracking generator and if necessary, set the output power to −10 dBm:

 $\label{eq:press_model} $$ Press [MODE] > {Track Generator} > {Amplitude (0n)} > -10 > {dBm}.$ 

CAUTION

Excessive signal input may damage the DUT. Do not exceed the maximum power that the device under test can tolerate.

- 5 Press [BW/SWP] > {Sweep Time (Auto)} to put the sweep time into stimulus response auto coupled mode.
- 6 Increase measurement sensitivity and smooth the noise:

Press 
$$[BW/SWP] > \{RBW\} > 30 > \{kHz\}$$
  
Press  $[BW/SWP] > \{VBW\} > 30 > \{kHz\}$ 

A decrease in the displayed amplitude is caused by tracking error.

7 Connect the cable from the tracking generator output to the analyzer input. Store the frequency response in trace 4 and normalize:

Press [MEAS] > 
$$\{Normalize\} > \{Store Ref\} (1 \rightarrow 4) > \{Normalize (0n)\}$$

8 Reconnect the DUT to the analyzer and change the normalized reference position:

9 Measure the rejection of the low-pass filter:

$$\begin{aligned} & \operatorname{Press}\left[\mathsf{Marker}\right] > & \left\{\mathsf{Normal}\right\} > & 370 > \mathsf{MHz}, \left\{\mathsf{Delta}\right\} > & 130 \\ & > & \left\{\mathsf{MHz}\right\} \end{aligned}$$

The marker readout displays the rejection of the filter at 130 MHz above the cutoff frequency of the low-pass filter.

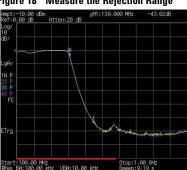


Figure 18 Measure the Rejection Range

# Measuring Stop Band Attenuation of a **Low-pass Filter**

When measuring filter characteristics, it is useful to look at the stimulus response over a wide frequency range. Setting the analyzer x-axis (frequency) to display logarithmically provides this function. The following example uses the tracking generator to measure the stop band attenuation of a 370 MHz low pass filter.

- 1 Connect the DUT as shown in Figure 17 on page 57. This example uses a 370 MHz low pass filter.
- 2 Press [Preset] to perform a factory preset.
- 3 Set the start and stop frequencies:
  - Press [FREQ] > {Start Freq} > 100 > {MHz}
  - Press [FREQ] > {Stop Freq} > 1 > {GHz}
  - Press [AMPTD] > {Scale Type} > {Log}
- 4 Press  $[BW/SWP] > 10 > \{kHz\}$  to set the resolution bandwidth to 10 kHz.

Excessive signal input may damage the DUT. Do not exceed the maximum power that the device under test can tolerate.

5 Turn on the tracking generator and if necessary, set the output power to -10 dBm:

Press [MODE] > {Track Generator} > {Amplitude (On)} >  $-10 > {dBm}$ .

- 6 Press [BW/SWP] > {Sweep Time (Auto)} to put the sweep time into stimulus response auto coupled mode. Adjust the reference level if necessary to place the signal on screen.
- 7 Connect the cable (but not the DUT) from the tracking generator output to the analyzer input. Store the frequency response into trace 4 and normalize:

Press [MEAS] > {Normalize} > {Store Ref}  $(1 \rightarrow 4)$  > {Normalize (On)}

- 8 Reconnect the DUT to the analyzer. Note that the units of the reference level have changed to dB, indicating that this is now a relative measurement.
- 9 To change the normalized reference position: Press [MEAS] > {Normalize} > {Norm Ref Posn} > 8 > [ENTER]
- 10 Place the reference marker at the specified cutoff frequency:

Press [MARKER] > {Normal} > 370 > MHz

11 Set the 2nd marker as a delta frequency of 37 MHz:

Press (Delta) > 37 > MHz

- 12In this example, the attenuation over this frequency range is 19.16 dB/octave (one octave above the cutoff frequency).
- 13Use the front-panel knob to place the marker at the highest peak in the stop band to determine the minimum stop band attenuation. In this example, the peak occurs at 600 MHz. The attenuation is 51.94 dB.

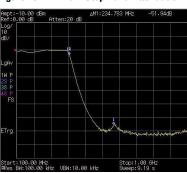


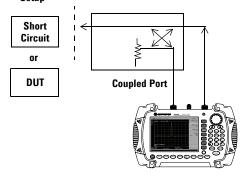
Figure 19 Minimum Stop Band Attenuation

# **Making a Reflection Calibration Measurement**

The following procedure makes a reflection measurement using a coupler or directional bridge to measure the return loss of a filter. This example uses a 370 MHz low-pass filter as the DUT. The calibration standard for reflection measurements is usually a short circuit connected at the reference plane (the point at which the DUT is connected). A short circuit has a reflection coefficient of 1 (0 dB return loss). It reflects all incident power and provides a convenient 0 dB reference.

1 Connect the DUT to the directional bridge or coupler as shown below. Terminate the unconnected port of the DUT.

Figure 20 Reflection Measurement Short Calibration Test Setup



NOTE

If possible, use a coupler or bridge with the correct test port connector types for both calibrating and measuring. Adapters between the test port and DUT degrades coupler/bridge directivity and system source match. For best response, use the same adapter for the calibration and the measurement. Terminate the second port of a two port device.

- 2 Connect the tracking generator output of the analyzer to the directional bridge or coupler.
- **3** Connect the analyzer input to the coupled port of the directional bridge or coupler.
- 4 Press [Preset] to perform a factory preset.
- 5 Turn on the tracking generator and if necessary, set the output power to −10 dBm:

$$\begin{aligned} &\operatorname{Press}\left[\mathsf{MODE}\right] > \left\{\mathsf{Track}\;\mathsf{Generator}\right\} > \left\{\mathsf{Amplitude}\;\left(\mathsf{On}\right)\right\} > \\ &-10 > \left\{\mathsf{dBm}\right\} \end{aligned}$$

CAUTION

Excessive signal input may damage the DUT. Do not exceed the maximum power that the device under test can talerate

- 6 Set the start and stop frequencies and resolution bandwidth:
  - Press [FREQ] > {Start Freq} > 100 > {MHz}
  - Press [FREQ] > {Stop Freq} > 1 > {GHz}
  - Press [BW/Avg] > 1 > MHz
- 7 Replace the DUT with a short circuit.
- 8 Normalize the trace:

Press [MEAS] > {Normalize} > {Store Ref 
$$(1 \rightarrow 4)$$
} > {Normalize  $(0n)$ }

This activates the trace 1 minus trace 4 function and displays the results in trace 1. The normalized trace or flat line represents 0 dB return loss. Normalization occurs with each sweep. Replace the short (cal device) with the DIT

NOTE

Since the reference trace is stored in trace 4, changing trace 4 to **Clear Write** invalidates the normalization.



Figure 21 Short Circuit Normalized

# Measuring Return Loss Using the Reflection Calibration Routine

This procedure uses the reflection calibration routine in the previous procedure "Making a Reflection Calibration Measurement" on page 61, to calculate the return loss of the 370 MHz low-pass filter.

- 1 After calibrating the system with the above procedure, reconnect the filter in place of the short (cal device) without changing any analyzer settings.
- 2 Use the marker to read return loss. Position the marker with the front-panel knob to read the return loss at that frequency.

Rotate the knob to find the highest peak and the readout is the maximum return loss.



Figure 22 Measuring the Return Loss of the Filter

# Making an Anverage Power Measurement

Average power measurements provide a key metric in transmitter performance.

Base station transmit power must be set accurately to achieve optimal coverage in wireless networks. If the transmit power is set too high due to inaccurate power measurements, undesired interference can occur. If the transmit power is set too low, coverage gaps or holes may occur. Either case may affect system capacity and may translate into decreased revenue for service providers. Average power can be measured for the channel of interest while the base station is active. All other channels should be inactive. Average power is a broadband measurement. If other signals are present the analyzer will also measure their power contributions

CAUTION

The maximum power for the RF IN port and the RF OUT port of the analyzer is +20~dBm (100~mW). The maximum power for the Power Sensor port is +24~dBm (300~mW). When directly coupled to a base station, the test set can be damaged by excessive power applied to any of these three ports.

To prevent damage in most situations when directly coupling an analyzer to a base station, use a high power attenuator between the analyzer and the BTS.

The analyzer supports the U2000 Series USB power sensors.

The U2000 Series USB power sensors do not need manual calibration and zero routines performed. Calibration and zeroing are performed without removing the power sensor from the source, through internal zeroing. With internal zeroing of U2000 Series USB power sensors, there is no need to disconnect the sensor or power—off the DUT. The U2000 Series do not require 50 MHz reference signal calibration, allowing the factory calibration to ensure measurement accuracy. For best

accuracy, users are recommended to perform external zeroing for input signals below -30 dBm for best accuracy.

NOTE

If you suspect other signals may be present, it is recommended that you turn off all the other channels and measure average power only on the signal of interest.

Another option is to measure channel power (which is less accurate), that filters out all other channels (signals). You can measure channel power for CDMA using the CDMA Analyzer or CDMA Over Air tool. For other modulation formats, use their respective analyzers (that is, GSM, 1xEV-DO, or W-CDMA) or measure channel power using either the spectrum analyzer or the Channel Scanner tool.

NOTE

Connect the power meter as close as possible to the power amplifier/duplexer output. Do not use a coupled port. Sensors may not be as accurate at the power levels provided by coupled ports.

# Making a Basic Average Power Measurement

To make an average power measurement, connect the power sensor and cable, zero and calibrate the meter, before making a measurement. Zeroing of the Power Meter will occur automatically:

- Every time the Power Meter function is used.
- When a 5 degree C. change in instrument temperature occurs.
- · Whenever the power sensor is changed.
- Every 24 hours (min.).
- Before measuring low level signals -for example, 10 dB above the lowest specified power the power sensor is capable of.

Calibrating the Power Meter every time you cycle the power on and off.

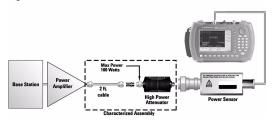
In most situations, you can press {Zero} to complete the two steps (zero and cal) together.

## To Make a Basic Anverage Power Measurement

You can follow the steps below to make a basic average power measurement.

- 1 Press [Preset] to perform a factory preset.
- 2 Press [MODE] > {Power Meter} > [ENTER] to turn on the power meter.
- 3 Zero and calibrate the meter. Press {Zeroing} to make a Zero operation of the power sensor followed by a calibration operation.
- 4 Connect the power sensor to the power Ref 50 MHz port. The analyzer supports the U2000 Series power sensors.
- 5 Connect the external attenuation, if required, with the power sensor used.
- 6 Connect the analyzer to the base station. Connect the power sensor to the signal to be measured. A typical BTS connection is after the output of the power amplifier and duplexer. The connection requires a 2 ft. cable and two Type-N barrel connectors, in addition to the power sensor and external attenuator.

Figure 23 Connection with base station



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## **Setting Power Meter Resolution**

You can choose from four levels of Power Meter resolution. Higher resolutions provide more accuracy but slow the measurement speed.

- 1 Press [Preset] to perform a factory preset.
- 2 Press [MODE] > {Power Meter} > [ENTER] to turn on the power meter.
- 3 Press {Meas Disp} > {Resolution}. Select 1,2,3 or 4. The four options represent different resolution as follow:
  - [1] = 1
  - [2] = 0.1
  - [3] = 0.01
  - [4] = 0.001

## Setting the Power Meter's Top and Bottom End-Points

Setting the end points (Disk Range) close to expected measurement value changes the sensitivity of the Power Meter scale resolution. This is an advantage in viewing small changes in power. However, this will not affect the overall range of the sensor.

- 1 Press [Preset] to perform a factory preset.
- 2 Press [MODE] > {Power Meter} > [ENTER] to turn on the power meter.
- 3 Press {Meas Disp} > {Disp Range} to access the end-points menu.
- 4 Press (Top) and enter the maximum scale value desired using the numeric keypad. Then press (dBm) to complete the setup.
- 5 Press {Bottom} and enter the minimum scale value desired using the numeric keypad. Then press {dBm} to complete the setup.

# Setting the Power Meter's Upper and Lower Limits

The internal Power Meter can be configured to detect when a measurement has failed a user predefined upper and lower limits.

- 1 Press [Preset] to perform a factory preset.
- 2 Press [MODE] > {Power Meter} > [ENTER] to turn on the power meter.
- 3 Press {Meas Setup} > {Limits} to access the limits menu.
- 4 Press (Limits) to activate the limits function. Each time the softkey is pressed, the selected option changes.
- 5 Press {Upper Limits} and enter the high limit value using the numeric keypad. Then press {dBm} to complete the setup.
- 6 Press {Lower Limits} and enter the low limit value using the numeric keypad. Then press {dBm} to complete the setup.

# **Demodulate the AM and FM signals**

The N9340B provide you the AM and FM demodulation function.

# **Demodulating an AM Signal**

The demodulation functions listed in the menu under [SPAN] > {Demod} allow you to demodulate and hear signal information displayed on the analyzer.

NOTE

The demod submenu is only available in zero span. Press [SPAN] > {Zero} before using demodulation function.

Simply place a marker on a signal of interest, set the analyzer in zero span, activate AM demodulation, turn the speaker on, and then listen.

- 1 Press [Preset]. (Factory Preset).
- 2 Connect an antenna to the analyzer input.
- 3 Select a frequency range on the analyzer, such as the range for AM radio broadcasts. For example, the frequency range for AM broadcasts in the United States is 550 kHz to 1650 kHz:

Press [FRE0] >  $\{$ Start Freq $\}$  > 550 >  $\{$ kHz $\}$  >  $\{$ Stop Freq $\}$  > 1650  $\{$ kHz $\}$ .

- 4 Place a marker on the signal of interest: Press [Marker] > {Peak Search} > {Next Pk Right} or {Next Pk Left}
- 5 Set the frequency of the signal of interest to center frequency:

Press [Marker] > {Peak Search} > {Next Pk Right} or Next Pk Left (as necessary).

- 6 Reduce the span to 1 MHz by press [SPAN] > 1 > {MHz} and [Maker] > {Marker To} > {To Center}, keeping the signal of interest in the center of the display with 1 MHz span.
- 7 Set the analyzer into time-domain with zero span:

8

Press [SPAN] > {Zero}.

9 Change the resolution bandwidth to 100 kHz:

Press  $[BW/SWP] > 100 > \{kHz\}$ .

**10**Set the top of the signal near the top of the display by changing the reference level with the front-panel knob:

Press [AMPTD], rotate front-panel knob.

11 Set the amplitude scale to linear and then re-adjust the reference level to keep the signal centered in the display:

Press [AMPTD] > {Scale Type (Lin)}.

Press [AMPTD], rotate front-panel knob.

12 Set the detector type to sample and turn on AM demodulation:

Press [TRACE] > {More} > {Detector} > {Sample}. Press [SPAN] > {Demod} > {AM ON}.

13 Listen to the demodulated AM signal (adjust the volume as necessary):

Press [SPAN] > {Demod} > {Speaker Vol}, rotate front-panel knob.

14 Measure the modulation index (AM depth as a percentage):

Press  $\{Sweep Time\} > 5 > \{s\}.$ 

Press  $[BW/SWP] > \{Video BW\} > 30 > \{Hz\}.$ 

Press [AMPTD] (use the front-panel knob to adjust the trace to the middle of the screen).

 $Press [BW/SWP] > \{Video BW\} > 100 > \{Hz\}.$ 

Press  $[BW/SWP] > \{Sweep Time\} > 5 > \{ms\}.$ 

The middle horizontal graticule line represents 0% AM; the top and bottom horizontal lines represent 100% AM.

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# **Demodulating an FM Signal**

This section demonstrates how to demodulate and listen to an FM signal using the built-in FM demodulator.

Using the built in FM demodulator you can tune to an FM signal and view the results of the detector output as displayed in the timedomain.

Alternatively, the demodulated signal is also available as an audio output (to the speaker or headphone jack).

1 Perform a factory preset:S

Press [Preset] (Factory Preset, if present).

2 Use a signal source or an antenna for an FM signal to analyze. In this example the signal source is used transmitting at 300 MHz with FM deviation of 10 kHz and FM rate of 1 kHz.

NOTE

If you are using a broadcast FM signal in the United States, for example, the FM channels are broadcasting between 87.7 MHz to 107.7 MHz.

3 Set the center frequency to the center of the FM signal (in this case 300 MHz):

Press [FREQ]  $> 300 > \{MHz\}$ .

4 Set the analyzer to zero span for time-domain analysis:

Press  $[SPAN] > \{Zero Span\}.$ 

Press  $[BW/SWP] > \{Sweep Time\} > 4 > \{ms\}.$ 

5 Set the resolution bandwidth to capture the full bandwidth of the FM signal. To calculate the required bandwidth use

RBW = ((2 x Frequency Deviation) + (2 x Modulation Rate))

In our case the RBW should be: (2 x 10 kHz) + (2 x 1 kHz) = 22 kHz With 1-3-10 sequence RBW selections, choose the next highest RBW of 30 kHz:

 $\mathrm{Press} \ [BW/SWP] > 30 > \{kHz\}.$ 

### 4

### 6 Turn on the FM demodulator:

Press  $[SPAN] > \{Demod\} > \{FM ON\}.$ 

Listen to the FM signal.

Press [SPAN] > {Demod} > {Speaker Vol}, rotate the knob.

Adjust the volume of the internal speaker with the volume knob on the front-panel. Alternatively you can also use the headphone jack.

NOTE

The option AMA provide the AM/FM modulation analysis mode by pressing [MODE] > {Demodulation Analysis} to measure the modulation rate and other related parameters.

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This Chapter provides descriptions of the Instrument hardkeys and softkey menu functionality, key access to softkey sub-menus, and instrument parameter control options.

Additional reference information is provided in the Menu Maps section.

# **Amplitude**

Key access: [AMPTD]

Activates the reference level function and access the associated softkeys to set functions that affect the way data on the vertical axis is displayed or corrected.

## Ref level

Key access: [AMPTD] > {Ref level}

Activates the reference level function.

The reference level is the amplitude power or voltage represented by the top graticule on the display. Changing the value of the reference level changes the absolute amplitude level (in the selected amplitude units) of the top graticule line. To change the reference level, use the arrow keys, the knob, or the numeric keypad. Pressing any digit (0 through 9) on the numeric keypad brings up the terminator menu.

# Attenuation

Key access: [AMPTD] > {Attenuation}

Toggles the input attenuation between Auto or Man.

The input attenuation ranges from 1 dB to 51 dB and allows you to set the attenuation level in 1 dB increments when attenuation is set to **Man**.

The input attenuator, normally coupled to the reference level control, reduces the power level of the analyzer input signal at the input mixer. The attenuator is recoupled when attenuation is set to **Auto**.

CAUTION

To prevent damage to the input mixer, do not exceed a power level of +33 dBm at the input. A granted power level for stable sensitive measurement is less than 20dBm.

# **Preamp**

Key access:  $[AMPTD] > \{Preamp\}$ 

Toggles the internal preamp between On and Off.

Preamp results in a correction being applied to compensate for the gain of the preamp at 20 dBm so that amplitude readings show the actual value at the input connector.

NOTE

When the preamp is on, a PA indication appears on the left side of the display.

The preamp is set to on in frequency bands from 1 MHz to 3 GHz, otherwise the correction is not applied even though the **PA** indication still appears.

# Scale/DIV

Key access: [AMPTD]

Sets the logarithmic units per vertical graticule division on the display.

NOTE

The Scale/Div function is only available when the Scale Type key is set to **Log**.

# **Scale Type**

Key access: [AMPTD] > {Scale Type}

Toggles the scale type of vertical graticule divisions between logarithmic and linear.

When Scale Type is set to **Log**, a logarithmic units is activated ranging from 1 to 10 dB per division.

When Scale Type is set to **Lin**, the vertical divisions are linearly scaled and the default amplitude units are volts. The top of the display is set to the reference-level value and the bottom graticule becomes zero volts. (Each division of the graticule is one-tenth of the reference level in volts.)

# **HiSensitivity**

Key access: [AMPTD] > {HiSensitivity}

Press this softkey **0n** to set 0 dB attenuation, -50 dBm reference level and turn the pre-amplifer on. It's very helpful to observe the low-level signals with this settings.

## **Ref Offset**

Key access: [AMPTD] > {Ref Offset}

Adds an offset value which ranges from -327.6 dB to +327.6 dB, to the displayed reference level.

NOTE

Reference-level offsets are only entered by using the numeric keypad. Entering an offset does not affect the trace or the attenuation value

Reference-level offsets are used when gain or loss occurs between a device under test and the analyzer input. Thus, the signal level measured by the analyzer may be referred to as the level at the input of an external amplitude conversion device. When an amplitude offset is entered, its value appears in the lower left corner of the display.

# Y Axis Units

Key access: [AMPTD] > {Y Axis Units}

Sets the amplitude units.

NOTE

Amplitude units are maintained for both logarithmic and linear modes depending on the Scale Type setting.

## MODE

Activates the softkey menus to select the measurement mode of your analyzer. The measurement modes are:

- Spectrum Analyzer
- · Tracking Generator
- Power Meter
- Demodulation Analysis (Option N9340B AMA) activated by License Key.

# Spectrum Analyzer

Key access: [MODE] > {Tracking Generator}

Select the spectrum analyzer mode, and press [ENTER] to make the spectrum analysis and measurement.

# Tracking Generator

Key access: [MODE] > {Tracking Generator}

Select this mode, and press [ENTER] to make specified measurement with tracking generator. When selected, the Meas softkey menu for the tracking generator mode will appear.

# Amplitude

Key access: [MODE] > {Tracking Generator } > {Amplitude}

Activates (**On**) or deactivates (**Off**) the output power of the tracking generator. The power level can then be adjusted using the numeric keypad, arrow keys, or knob. Pressing any digit, 0 through 9, on the numeric keypad brings up the selected terminator menu.

CAUTION

Power-level sensitive devices connected to the tracking generator output may be accidentally damaged. This is because the actual source amplitude will be greater than the amplitude indicated on the analyzer, when the power sweep function is being used. The source amplitude value is used as the starting amplitude for a power sweep. The ending amplitude for a power sweep is higher then the source amplitude value and it may actually be set to values beyond specified output levels. Therefore, exercise caution when connecting a power-level sensitive device to the tracking generator output.

NOTE

When Amplitude (Off) is selected, the output attenuation on the N9340B is set to the maximum attenuation

## Amptd Step

Key access: [MODE] > {Tracking Generator } > { Amptd Step}

Allows you to set the step size of the power level range of the tracking generator. The default setting is one vertical scale division when in a logarithmic amplitude scale.

# **Amptd Offset**

Key access: [MODE]>{Tracking Generator}> { Amptd
Offset}

Offsets the displayed power of the tracking generator. Using the amplitude offset capability of the tracking generator allows you to take system losses or gains into account, thereby displaying the actual power delivered to the device under test.

### Normalize

Key access: [MODE]>{Tracking Generator } > {Normalize}

Store Ref (1 → 4)

Copies trace 1 into trace 4. Store Ref( $1 \rightarrow 4$ ) must be pressed before pressing Normalize(0n). If Normalize(0n) is pressed before Store Ref( $1 \rightarrow 4$ ),

the error message: Store reference trace before turning on Normalize(On) is displayed in the status line, however Normalize has been activate.

#### Normalize

**Normalize(0n)** activates the normalize function. On each sweep, the normalized trace (Trace 4) is subtracted from Trace 1 and the result is added to the normalized reference level. The display shows the result of the following calculation:

Trace 1 - Normalized Trace + Normalized Reference Level

The trace data is normalized with respect to the normalized reference level, even if the value of the normalized reference level is changed. This function remains in effect on all subsequent sweeps until it is turned off.

NOTE

Segmented sweep is not available when **Normalize (On)** is selected. Trace 1 should be in clear write mode prior to setting normalize to on.

The normalize function is useful for applying correction data to a trace while making a stimulus response measurement using a tracking generator. Normalize will compensate for irregularities of the components used in the test setup, isolating the performance of the DUT. For example, connect the cables and use a thru line in place of the device (DUT) to be measured, between the tracking generator and the analyzer input. Notice that the frequency response is not perfectly flat, showing the response of the cables, as well as the flatness of both the tracking generator and the analyzer. Now press Store Ref( $1 \rightarrow 4$ ), Normalize On. Notice that the displayed trace is now flat, or normalized. The position of the normalized trace can now be moved to a different position on the display by changing the normalized reference position. This may be useful if the device to be tested has positive gain,

such as an amplifier. Now replace the thru line with the device under test, and an accurate measurement of the gain or loss can be made.

### Norm Ref Lvl

Sets the level (in dB) of the normalized reference.

#### Norm Ref Posn

Offsets the displayed trace without affecting the instrument gain or attenuation settings. This allows the displayed trace to be moved without decreasing measurement accuracy.

### Ref Trace

Allows you to view or blank the reference trace on the display.

## **Power Meter**

Key access: [MODE] > {Power Meter}

Use the arrow keys to highlight the mode.

Select this mode, and press [ENTER] to make a measurement using the power meter function. When selected, the Power Meter softkey menu will be displayed and many of the instrument hardkeys will be disabled as they are not necessary for this mode.

# Zeroing

Key access: [MODE] > {Power Meter} > {Zeroing}

Access the associated Zeroing submenu.

#### Zeroina

Make a Zero operation of the power sensor.

The U2000 Series USB Power Sensors have their sensor calibration tables stored in non-volatile memory which means that the reference calibration factor is automatically loaded upon power-up.

### Zero Type

Toggles the zeroing type of the Power Sensor between internal and external. When this type is set to **EXT**, pressing **Zeroing** will bring up a message which indicates the external signal need be pulled out. This setting is not affected by the preset in Power Meter menu.

## Meas Disp

Key access:  $[MODE] > \{Power Meter\} > \{Meas Disp\}$ 

Access the Meas Disp submenu for defining the display range and resolution while in Power Meter mode.

## Disp Range

Access the associated Disp Range submenu.

## Auto Range

Toggles the auto range function between On and Off. When the Auto Range is set to On, the Top and Bottom value of the power meter's display range will be set automatically according to the measurement data:

Top = Max. data + 0.5

Bottom = Min. data - 0.5

The default setting is Off.

#### • Top

Set the top value of the power meter' display range.

Range from (Bottom + 0.01) to 200 dBm.

The default value is 20 dBm.

#### Bottom

Set the bottom value of the power meter' display range.

Range from -200 to (Top - 0.01) dBm.

The default value is -70 dBm.

#### Resolution

Access the associated Resolution submenu.

When the measurement suffix is W or %, this parameter represents the number of significant digits. When the measurement suffix is dB or dBm, 1 through 4 represents 1, 0.1, 0.01, and 0.001 dB respectively.

The default value is 3.

### Disp Mode

Change the display mode between Meter and Chart.

The default mode is Meter.

#### Chart View

Access the Chart View submenu. This soft key is disabled when the measurement is in process or if the display mode is set to Meter.

This submenu is used to view the measurement chart.

#### Home

View the first 21 points of current measurement chart.

#### End

View the lastest 21 points of current measurement chart.

#### Prev

View the previous points of the chart.

#### Next

View the next points of the chart.

#### Continue/Pause

Continues or pauses the current measurement. When the measurement is in process, this softkey is displayed as "Pause"; when the measurement is paused, the softkey is displayed as "Continue".

## Meas Setup

Key access:  $[MODE] > \{Power Meter\} > \{Meas Setup\}$ 

Accesses the Meas Disp submenu which is used to configure the mesurement settings.

## Freq

Sets a frequency between 1 kHz and 90.0 GHz using the numeric keypad, arrow key or knob. If the frequency does not correspond directly to a frequency in the sensor calibration table, the power sensor calculates the calibration factor using linear interpolation.

### Power Range

Accesses the Power Range submenu.

## Auto Range

Enables and disable auto ranging. When auto ranging is ON, the power sensor selects the best measuring range for the measurement. When auto ranging is OFF, the power sensor remains in the current range and may be manually set by the user.

### Range

Selects the Lower or Upper of power ranges when the Auto Range is Off.

#### Limits

Accesses the Limits submenu.

#### Limits

Enables or disables the limit function.

#### Upper Limit

Sets a value of the upper test limit for the current measurement. The units used are dependent on the current setting of power unit. When the measured power is greater than the value specified, a failure will be reported.

#### Lower Limit

Sets the lower test limit value for the current measurement. The units used are dependent on the current setting of power unit. When the measured power is less than the value specified, a failure will be reported.

### Limit Beep

Enables or disables the limit beep.

#### Rel/Offset

Accesses the Rel/Offset submenu.

#### Rel

Enables the comparison of a measurement result to a reference value and sets a reference value on the current measured data.

#### Offset

Sets a value of the display offset on the current measurement, and enable or disable the display offset. The display offset is applied to the measurement signal after any math calculation.

### Average

Accesses the Average submenu.

#### Average

Enables or disables the Average function.

#### Avg Count

Sets a value of the filter length and to set the average count value to be Auto or Manual.

The power sensor automatically sets the number of readings averaged together to satisfy most power measurements averaging requirements. The number of average readings depends on the resolution and the power level settings the power sensor is currently using.

## Step Detect

Enables or disables step detection. In AUTO filter mode, the average of the last four values entered into the filter is compared to the entire filter average. If the difference between the two

averages is greater than 12.5%, the digital filter is cleared. The filter will then start storing new measurement data. This feature shortens the filter time required when the input power changes substantially. Note that the result appears to settle faster, although true settling to the final value is unaffected.

### Meas Interval

Sets the interval time between two measurements. The default value is 100 ms.

### Preset

Key access: [MODE] > {Power Meter} > {Preset}

Sets the Power Meter softkey menu options to the preset conditions. For example, the Upper and Lower Limits are set to their preset limit values.

# **BW/SWP**

Activates the bandwidth function and accesses the associated softkeys to control resolution bandwidth, video bandwidth and sweep time.

## **RBW**

Key access:  $[BW/SWP] > \{RBW\}$ 

Changes the 3 dB resolution bandwidth on the analyzer from 30 Hz to 1 MHz in a 1, 3, 10 sequence using the knob, step keys or the numeric keypad.

NOTE

If an unavailable bandwidth is entered using the numeric keypad, the closest available bandwidth in the 1, 3, 10 sequence is used.

As the resolution bandwidth is decreased, the sweep time is modified to maintain amplitude calibration. Resolution bandwidth is also related to span. As span is decreased, resolution bandwidth decreases. As the resolution bandwidth changes, the video bandwidth, if in auto couple mode, changes to maintain the VBW/RBW ratio.

NOTE

In non-zero span mode, the value of RBW is determined by whether the setting for RBW is Auto or Man (manual).

A "#"mark appears next to RBW on the display when it is not coupled.

# **VBW**

Key access: [BW/SWP] > {VBW}

Changes the analyzer post-detector filter from 3 Hz to 1 MHz in a 1, 3, 10 sequence using the knob, the step keys, or the numeric keypad.

As the video bandwidth is decreased, the sweep time is increased to maintain amplitude calibration.

If an unavailable bandwidth entered using the numeric keypad, the closest available bandwidth in the 1, 3, 10 sequence is used.

## VBW/RBW

Kev access:  $[BW/SWP] > \{VBW/RBW\}$ 

Selects the ratio between the video and resolution bandwidths.

If signal responses near the noise level are visually masked by the noise, the ratio can be set to less than 1 to lower the noise. The knob and step keys change the ratio in a 1, 3, 10 sequence.

When preset is set to default, or VBW/RBW is set to Auto, the ratio is set to 1

# Avg Type

Key access:  $[BW/SWP] > \{Avg Type\}$ 

Accesses the functions to automatically or manually choose from one of the following averaging type:

# Log Pwr

Key access:  $[BW/SWP] > {Avg Type} > {Log Pwr}$ 

Averages the data as appropriate for the logarithmic scaled v-axis.

When average type is set to Log Pwr, "LgAv" appears on the left side of the display.

### Pwr

Key access:  $[BW/SWP] > {Avg Type} > {Power}$ 

Converts the scale from logarithmic to linear power units, and then averages the power trace data.

With average type set to **Pwr**, "PAvg" appears on the left side of the display.

## Voltage

Key access: [BW/SWP] > {Avg Type} > {Voltage}

Averages the data as appropriate for the linearly scaled y-axis scale.

With average type set to **Voltage**, "VAvg" appears on the left side of the display.

There are actually four types of averaging processes within an N9340B. All, except VBW filtering, are affected by this setting. They are listed as follows:

## Trace averaging

Averages signal amplitudes on a trace-to-trace basis. (Press Log Pwr or Pwr)

### · Average detector

Averages signal amplitudes during the time or frequency interval and represents the result as a single measurement point.

#### Noise marker

Averages signal amplitudes across measurement points to reduce variations for noisy signals.

## VBW filtering

Performs a form of averaging of video signal.

# **Sweep Time**

Key access: [BW/SWP] > {Sweep Time}

Selects the sweep time for the analyzer to tune across the displayed frequency span (or, in zero span, the time the analyzer take to sweep the full screen). Inputs may be made using the knob, the arrow keys, or numeric keypad.

NOTE

Reducing the sweep time increases the sweep rate.

## In non-zero spans

When the sweep time is auto-coupled, the analyzer selects the optimum (shortest) sweep time ranging from 10 ms to 1000 s. The auto selection is determined by three measurement settings:

- Frequency Span
- · The selected Resolution Bandwidth
- · The selected Video Bandwidth

Note that changing one of the three factors above will change the sweep time. The sweep time is in direct ratio to frequency span and is in reverse ratio to the selected resolution bandwidth and video bandwidth when auto-coupled.

CAUTION

With sweep time set to a value less than the minimum auto-coupled value, an annotation "Data out of range" appears in the active function block and the sweep time is automatically converted to the minimum auto-coupled value

# In zero span

Auto-coupled does not funtion when in a zero span. The sweep time can only be set manually. The sweep time is selectable from  $6\ s$  to  $200\ s$  in zero span.

### In FFT Mode

In FFT mode, the sweep time default is auto-coupled. The submenu, sweep time is invalid in FFT mode.

# Sweep

Key access: [BW/SWP] > {Sweep}

Activates the sweep mode function and accesses associated softkeys to select the trace sweep functions.

# Sweep Type

Key access: [BW/SWP] > {Sweep}

Toggles the analyzer between the continuous sweep mode and the single sweep mode.

## · Sweep (Single)

Puts the analyzer in a single sweep mode. In this mode, pressing  $[BW/SWP] > \{Single Sweep\}$  enables a sweep.

## · Sweep (Cont)

Performs one sweep after another as soon as it is triggered. Pressing [Preset] (When Preset Type is set to **Default**) or turning the power on, sets the sweep mode to continuous sweep as default.

# Sweep Mode

Key access:  $[BW/SWP] > \{Sweep\} > \{Sweep Mode\}$ 

An N9340B provides two sweep modes to meet different sweep time requirements:

#### Normal

Activates the default sweep mode.

#### Fast

Activates the fast sweep mode.

Fast sweep mode provides a fast measurement function that decreases the sweep time. Using Fast Sweep will decrease the measurement accuracy.

NOTE

Fast sweep is valid only when span is no less than 50 MHz. Measurement data is not ganruanteed in fast sweep mode.

# Single Sweep

Key access: [BW/SWP] > {Sweep} > {Single Sweep}

When the analyzer is in continuous sweep mode and not in a measurement mode ([MEAS] > Measure Off), pressing [BW/SWP] > {Single Sweep} will change the sweep setting to single sweep. It will then begin a sweep after the trigger conditions are met. If the analyzer is already in single sweep, pressing [BW/SWP] > {Single Sweep} will execute a new sweep as soon as the trigger condition is met.

If Average is on ([TRACE] > {More} > {Average On}), pressing [BW/SWP] > {Single Sweep} will halt averaging of the current value, and then continue averaging from the current count number when a single sweep function triggers.

# Enter

## Hardkey function:

- Terminates data entry and enters into the analyzer numerical values keyed from numeric keypad on the front panel.
- Terminate filename entries.

# ESC/CLR

Provides mainly two types of functions:

### Clear

- · Clears any numeric entry and cancels the active function.
- · Clears any title entry and cause the title to revert to the previous name.
- · Clears input or output overloads
- · Clears error messages from the status line along the bottom of the display.

## Association with other functions

Provides a permitted setting for triggering other functions such as:

- Activates **LIMIT** function for pass/fail judgements.
- Activates SAVE function for current trace saving.

When pressing [ESC/CLR], the current parameter annotation in the lower left corner, which is an indicator of available settings of LIMT and SAVE, disappears.

# Frequency

Activates the center frequency function, and accesses the menu of frequency functions. The center frequency, or start and stop frequency values appear below the graticule on the display.

NOTE

When changing both the center frequency and the span, change the frequency first since the span can be limited by the frequency value.

# **Center Frequency**

Key access: [FREQ] > {Center Freq}

Activates the center frequency function, which allows you to set the horizontal center of the display to a specified frequency.

# Start Frequency

Key access: [FREQ] > {Start Freq}

Sets the frequency at the left side of the graticule. The left and right sides of the graticule correspond to the start and stop frequencies. When these frequencies are activated, their values are displayed below the graticule in place of center frequency and span.

# Stop Frequency

Key access: [FREQ] > {Stop Freq}

Sets the frequency at the right side of the graticule. The left and right sides of the graticule correspond to the start and stop frequencies. When these frequencies are activated, their values are displayed below the graticule in place of center frequency and span.

# **CF Step**

Key access:  $[FREQ] > \{CF Step\}$ 

Changes the step size for the center frequency function. Once a step size has been selected and the center frequency function is activated, the arrow keys change the center frequency by the step-size value. The step size function is useful for finding harmonics and sidebands beyond the current frequency span of the analyzer. When auto-coupled, the center size is set to one division (10 percent of the span).

# Marker

Accesses the marker control softkeys to select the type and number of markers. Markers are diamond-shaped characters that identify points of traces. Up to six pairs of markers may appear on the display simultaneously; only one pair can be controlled at a time. The marker that is controlled is called the "active" marker. Pressing [MARKER] activates the Normal menu key.

## Marker

Key access: [MARKER] > {Marker}

Selects one of the six possible markers. A marker that has already been selected will become active when it is turned on. If a marker has been turned on and assigned to a specific trace, it will become active on that trace if that marker is selected.

# Normal

Key access: [MARKER] > {Normal}

Activates a single frequency marker at the center of the active trace if a marker is not already displayed. If a marker is displayed before the **Normal** function is enabled, the marker is enabled at the position of the selected marker. The marker number is indicated above the marker. The knob and/or arrow keys move the marker left or right. If a value is entered from the numeric keypad, the marker is moved to the trace point nearest to that value. Annotation in the active function block and in the upper right corner indicates the frequency and amplitude of the marker (time and amplitude, if in zero span.) Pressing **Normal** turns off the **Delta** function and moves the active marker to the delta marker position.

## Delta

Key access: [MARKER] > {Delta}

Activates a second marker at the position of the first marker. (If no marker is present, two markers appear at the center of the display). The amplitude and frequency (or time) of the first marker is fixed. The marker number is indicated above the delta marker, and the same number is indicated with an R (for example, 1R) above the reference marker. Use the data controls to position the delta marker. Annotation in the active function block and in the upper-right corner of the display indicates the frequency (or time) and amplitude differences between the two markers. The markers will be turned off if the scale type is changed between log and linear.

NOTE

Pressing **Delta** again moves the reference marker to the active marker position, so you are allowed to make delta measurements from differing reference points without having to turn off the makers and begin again.

MOTE

The delta marker function permits signal-to-noise measurements provided the signal is a single spectral component (sinusoid). Place a normal marker on the signal, press **Delta**, place the delta marker in the noise, and activate Marker Noise. The indicated amplitude indicates signal-to-noise/Hz.

# Off

Key access:  $[MARKER] > \{Off\}$ 

Turns off the active function markers.

## **Peak Search**

Place a marker on the highest peak based on the setting of the Search Criteria as follows:

### Peak

Key access: [MARKER] > {Peak Search} Place a marker on the highest peak.

#### Next LF Peak

Key access: [MARKER] > {Peak Search} > {Next Left PK}

Moves the marker to the next peak to the left of the current marker. The signal peak must exceed the peak threshold value by the peak excursion value. If there is no peak to the right, the marker will not move and the **No Peak** Found error message will appear on the display.

### Next RT Peak

Moves the marker to the next peak to the right of the current marker. The signal peak must exceed the peak threshold value by the peak excursion value. If there is no peak to the right, the marker will not move and the **No Peak** Found error message will appear on the display.

Key access: [MARKER] > {Peak Search} > {Next Right
PK}

#### Auto Search

In non-zero span, pressing **Auto Search** turns all six markers on and puts them on the six highest peak in the current frequency span.

In zero span, the function is not available.

Key access: [MARKER] > {Peak Search} > {Auto Search}

## Marker To

Accesses the following marker function menu keys:

#### To Center

Key access: [MARKER] > {To Center}

Sets the center frequency of the analyzer to the marker frequency. In Delta mode, pressing [Marker] > {Marker To} > {To Center} sets the center frequency to the marker delta value. The function is not available in zero span.

When the frequency scale is in log mode, the center frequency is not at the center of the display.

#### To Ref

Key access: [MARKER] > {Marker To}

Changes the reference level to the active marker value, moving the marked point to the reference level (top line of the graticule). In Delta mode, pressing [Marker] > {Marker To} > {To Ref} sets the reference level to the amplitude difference between the markers.

# Mode

Key access:  $[MARKER] > \{More\} > \{Mode\}$ 

Accesses the following menu keys that allows you to change the active marker readout mode.

#### Normal

Activates the default readout mode.

#### Frea Count

Activates a frequency counter mode.

#### Noise

Activates a noise readout mode for evaluating power density.

NOTE

Frequency counter is properly effective only on CW signals or discrete peaks. For a valid reading, the marker must be greater than 25 dB above the noise. Freq Count function is not supported under Marker Delta condition.

NOTE

Noise mode operates only on noise peaks and not supported under Marker Delta condition.

## **Marker Trace**

Key access: [MARKER] > {More} > {Marker Trace}

Activates a marker on the trace if there are no markers turned on. If a marker is currently active, press **Marker Trace** until 1, 2, 3, or 4 is underlined. The active marker will be moved to the selected trace.

Selecting **Auto** will move the marker to the automatically selected trace. The selection order is to look for the lowest numbered trace in the following order of trace modes:

Clear write Max hold

Min. hold View

If there is no trace in any of these modes, it selects trace 1 as default.

# All Off

Key access:  $[MARKER] > \{More\} > \{All Off\}$ 

Turns off all of the markers, including markers used for signal track and demodulation. The marker annotation is also removed.

## **MEAS**

Hardkey menu access.

In spectrum analysis mode, pressing [MEAS] brings up the menu for a suite of power measurements such as adjacent channel power, occupied bandwidth, and channel power.

### 0BW

Occupied Bandwidth (OBW) integrates the power of the spectrum in the displayed green frame. The measurement defaults to 99% of the occupied bandwidth power.

Occupied bandwidth measurement are made in either single or continuous sweep mode.

## Selecting a Method

Press [MEAS] > {OBW} > {Method} to toggle the occupied bandwidth measurement mode between percentage (%) and dBc.

• Setting Percentage (%)

Press **(OBW)** > **(Method)** > **(Percent)** to edit the percentage of signal power used when determining the occupied bandwidth. Press **(%)** to set the percentage ranging from 10.00% to 99.99%.

· Setting dBc

Press **(0BW)** > **(Method)** > **(dBc)** to specify the power level used to determine the emission bandwidth as the number of dB down from the highest signal peak, within the occupied bandwidth span. This function is an independent calculation from the OBW calculation. The x dB bandwidth result is also called the emissions bandwidth (EBW). This sets the green frame (f1 and f2 are the two cross points of the signal and the pair of vertical lines of the displayed green frame) to your specified dB value below the maximum power, and compute the total power in the frame. The emission bandwidth is then calculated ranging from 0.1 dB to 100 dB (the default value is set to 26 dB).

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## **ACPR**

The adjacent channel power ratio (ACPR) measures the power ratio between the main channel power and the adjacent channel power.

ACPR measures the total power (rms voltage) in the specified channel. The measurement result reports the ratios of the two adjacent channel powers to the main channel power.

## Center Frequency

Key access: [MEAS] > {ACPR} > {Center Freq}

Sets the center frequency of the main channel power.

#### Main Channel

Key access: [MEAS] > {ACPR} > {Main Channel} Specifies the range of integration used in calculating the power in the main channel. Use the knob, the arrow keys, or the numeric keypad to set the handwidth

## Adjacent Channel

Key access: [MEAS] > {ACPR} > {Adj Channel} Specifies the range of integration used in calculating the power in the adjacent channel. Use the knob, the arrow keys, or the numeric keypad to set the bandwidth

## **Channel Space**

Key access: [MEAS] > {ACPR} > {Channel Space}

Sets the space value between the center frequency of main channel power and that of the adjacent channel power.

## **Channel Power**

Channel power function measures the power and power spectral density in the channel bandwidth specified. One pair of vertical lines of the displayed green frame indicates the edges of the channel bandwidth. The center frequency, reference level, and channel bandwidth must be set by the user. The power calculation method used to determine the channel power is a traditional method known as the integration bandwidth (IBW) method. A swept spectrum is used as the basis for this calculation. Therefore, it is important to set the resolution bandwidth correctly before making this measurement using the following formula:

$$RBW = k \times \frac{Span}{n}$$

Where k is a value between 1.2 and 4.0 and n is the number of trace points.

## **Center Frequency**

Key access: [MEAS] > {Channel Power} > {Center Freq} Sets the center frequency of the display.

## Integration Bandwidth

Key access: [MEAS] > {Channel Power} > {Int BW} Specifies the bandwidth of integration bandwidth, which can range from 100 Hz to 3 GHz to calculate the power in a channel. For example, set the main (center) channel bandwidth. The green frame indicates the integration bandwidth.

### **Channel Bandwidth**

Key access: [MEAS] > {Channel Power} > {Channel BW} Sets the analyzer span for the channel power measurement using the knob, the arrow keys or the numeric keypad. Be sure the span is set between 1 and 10 times the integration bandwidth.

# Spectrum Emission Mask (SEM)

Spectrum Emission Mask measurement includes the in-band and out-of-band spurious emissions. As it applies to W-CDMA (3GPP), this is the power contained in a specified frequency bandwidth at certain offsets relative to the total carrier power. It may also be expressed as a ratio of power spectral densities between the carrier and the specified offset frequency band. For WLAN, the reference power is taken as the peak PSD in the signal, and all offset results are also the peak PSD in that offset as opposed to the integrated power.

### Avg Number

Key access:  $[MEAS] > \{More\} > \{SEM\} > \{Avg Number\}$ 

Press Avg Number (On) to specify the number of measurement averages used when calculating the measurement result. The average will be displayed at the end of each sweep.

## Meas Type

Key access:  $[MEAS] > \{More\} > \{SEM\} > \{Meas Type\}$ 

Displays a menu where you can select a measurement reference type, Total Pwr Ref or PSD Ref. When Total Pwr Ref is selected, the power in the carrier is used as the reference in computing the relative power values for the offsets. When PSD Ref is selected, the mean power spectral density of the carrier is used in computing the relative power spectral density values for the offsets.

#### Ref Channel

accesses the softkeys that enable you to change the reference channel settings:

### Chan Integ BW

Key access: [MEAS] > {SEM} > {Ref Channel}

Specifies the integration bandwidth used in calculating the power in the main channel.

#### Chan Span

Key access:  $[MEAS] > {SEM} > {Ref Channel}$ 

Specifies the span used in measuring the power in the main channel.

### Sweep Time

Key access:  $[MEAS] > {SEM} > {Ref Channel}$ 

Specifies the sweep time used in measuring the power in the main channel.

#### Total Pwr Ref

Key access: [MEAS] > {SEM} > {Ref Channel}

**Total Pwr Ref** is the power in the carrier that is used as the reference in computing the relative power values for the offsets. When Man is selected, this can be set by the user. When Auto is selected, this is the measured power in the reference carrier.

### Offset/Limits

Key access:  $[MEAS] > {SEM}$ 

Displays the menus where you can change the following parameters for offset frequency settings and pass/fail tests: Offset, Start Freq, Stop Freq, Sweep Time, Res BW, and Limits. Refer to the tables below for default settings of particular radio standards of interest.

Table 1 Offsets & Limits Defaulted for W-CDMA (3GPP) Base Station Measurements<sup>a</sup>

| Offset | Start<br>Freq<br>(MHz) | Stop<br>Freq<br>(MHz) | Res<br>BW<br>(kHz) | Abs<br>Start<br>(dBm) | Abs<br>Stop<br>(dBm) | Abs<br>Couple | Rel<br>Start<br>(dBc) | Rel<br>Stop<br>(dBc) | Meas<br>BW |
|--------|------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|---------------|-----------------------|----------------------|------------|
| A. On  | 2.515                  | 2.715                 | 30.00              | -14.00                | -14.00               | Couple        | -30.00                | -30.00               | 1          |
| B. On  | 2.715                  | 3.515                 | 30.00              | -14.00                | -26.00               | Man           | -30.00                | -30.00               | 1          |
| C. On  | 3.515                  | 4.000                 | 30.00              | -26.00                | -26.00               | Couple        | -30.00                | -30.00               | 1          |
| D. On  | 4.000                  | 8.000                 | 1000.00            | -13.00                | -13.00               | Couple        | -30.00                | -30.00               | 1          |
| E. On  | 8.000                  | 12.500                | 1000.00            | -13.00                | -13.00               | Couple        | -30.00                | -30.00               | 1          |

a. Fail Mask is set to Absolute and Rel Stop is set to Couple.

### 5 Key Reference

Table 2 Offsets & Limits Defaulted for W-CDMA (3GPP)
Mobile Station Measurements<sup>a</sup>

| Offset | Start<br>Freq<br>(MHz) | Stop<br>Freq<br>(MHz) | Res<br>BW<br>(kHz) | Abs<br>Start<br>(dBm) | Abs<br>Stop<br>(dBm) | Rel<br>Couple | Rel<br>Start<br>(dBc) | Rel<br>Stop<br>(dBc) | Meas<br>BW |
|--------|------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|---------------|-----------------------|----------------------|------------|
| A. On  | 2.515                  | 3.485                 | 30.00              | -71.07                | -71.07               | Man           | -35.23                | -49.78               | 1          |
| B. On  | 4.000                  | 7.500                 | 1000.0             | -55.84                | -55.84               | Man           | -35.50                | -39.00               | 1          |
| C. On  | 7.500                  | 8.500                 | 1000.00            | -55.84                | -55.84               | Man           | -39.00                | -49.00               | 1          |
| D. On  | 8.500                  | 12.000                | 1000.00            | -55.84                | -55.84               | Couple        | -49.00                | -49.00               | 1          |
| E. Off | 12.500                 | 15.000                | 1000.00            | -55.84                | -55.84               | Couple        | -49.00                | -49.00               | 1          |

a. Abs Stop is set to Couple and Fail Mask is set to Abs AND Rel.

Table 3 Offsets & Limits Defaulted for 802.11a and HiperLAN/2 Radio Standards<sup>a</sup>

| Offset | Start<br>Freq<br>(MHz) | Stop<br>Freq<br>(MHz) | Abs<br>Start<br>(dBm) | Abs<br>Stop<br>(dBm) | Abs<br>Couple | Rel<br>Start<br>(dBc) | Rel<br>Stop<br>(dBc) | Rel<br>Couple | Meas<br>BW |
|--------|------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|---------------|-----------------------|----------------------|---------------|------------|
| A. On  | 9.00                   | 11.00                 | 16.00                 | -4.00                | Man           | 0.00                  | -20.00               | Man           | 1          |
| B. On  | 11.00                  | 20.00                 | -4.00                 | -12.00               | Man           | -20.00                | -28.00               | Man           | 1          |
| C. On  | 20.00                  | 30.00                 | -12.00                | -24.00               | Man           | -28.00                | -40.00               | Man           | 1          |
| D. On  | 30.00                  | 50.00                 | -24.00                | -24.00               | Couple        | -40.00                | -40.00               | Couple        | 1          |
| E. Off | 50.00                  | 100.00                | -24.00                | -24.00               | Couple        | -40.00                | -40.00               | Couple        | 1          |

a. Fail Res BW is set to 100 kHz and Fail Mask is set to Rel.

Table 4 Offsets & Limits Defaulted for 802.11b Radio Standard<sup>a</sup>

| Offset | Start<br>Freq<br>(MHz) | Stop<br>Freq<br>(MHz) | Abs<br>Start<br>(dBm) | Abs<br>Stop<br>(dBm) | Rel<br>Start<br>(dBc) | Rel<br>Stop<br>(dBc) | Meas<br>BW |
|--------|------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|------------|
| A. On  | 11.00                  | 22.00                 | -10.00                | -10.00               | -30.00                | -30.00               | 1          |
| B. On  | 22.00                  | 50.00                 | -30.00                | -30.00               | -50.00                | -50.00               | 1          |
| C. Off | 50.00                  | 70.00                 | -30.00                | -30.00               | -50.00                | -50.00               | 1          |
| D. Off | 70.00                  | 90.00                 | -30.00                | -30.00               | -50.00                | -50.00               | 1          |
| E. Off | 90.00                  | 100.00                | -30.00                | -30.00               | -50.00                | -50.00               | 1          |

a.  $\mbox{\bf Res\,BW}$  is set to 100 kHz, Fail Mask is set to Rel, and Abs Stop and Rel Stop are both set to Couple.

#### Offset 0 1

Key access:  $[MEAS] > {SEM} > {Offset/Limits}$ 

Selects the offset pairs (upper and lower) that the softkeys affect, and displays the memory selection menu from A to E (where you can store up to 5 sets of values for Start Freq, Stop Freq, Sweep Time, Res BW, Meas BW, Abs Start, Abs Stop, and so forth). Press **Offset** until the letter of the desired offset (A. B, C, D, or E) is underlined. Only one selection at a time is shown on this key label.

### Start Freq

Kev access: [MEAS] > {SEM} > {Offset/Limits}

Specifies the inner limit (frequency closest to the carrier) for both segments of the specified offset pair. When **Start Freq (Off)** is selected, the offset pair is not measured.

## Stop Freq

Kev access: [MEAS] > {SEM} > {Offset/Limits}

Specifies the outer limit (frequency furthest from the carrier) for both segments of the specified offset pair. The minimum frequency difference between Start Freq and Stop Freq is limited to 100 Hz.

## Sweep Time

Key access:  $[MEAS] > {SEM} > {Offset/Limits}$ 

Specifies the sweep time for the currently selected offset, and toggles this function between Auto and Manual for each offset.

#### Res BW

Key access:  $[MEAS] > {SEM} > {Offset/Limits}$ 

Specifies the resolution bandwidth used in measuring the offset pair. When set to Auto, the Res BW from the default tables for "Offset/Limits" on page 107 are used. When set to Man, the allowed range is 1 kHz to 1MHz.

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## Abs StartAmpt

Key access:  $[MEAS] > {SEM} > {Offset/Limits} > {More}$ 

Enables you to enter an absolute level limit at **Start Freq** for the currently selected offset ranging from -200.00 to +50.00 dBm with 0.01 dB resolution.

## Abs StopAmpt

Key access:  $[MEAS] > \{SEM\} > \{Offset/Limits\} > \{More\}$ 

Enters an absolute level limit at **Stop Freq** for the currently selected offset ranging from -200.00 to +50.00 dBm with 0.01 dB resolution, and to toggle this function between **Couple** and **Man**. If set to **Couple**, this is coupled to **Abs Start** to make a flat limit line. If set to **Man**, **Abs Start** and **Abs Stop** you can enter different values to make a sloped limit line.

### Rel StartAmpt

Key access: [MEAS] > {SEM} > {Offset/Limits} > {More}

Enters a relative level limit at **Start Freq** ranging from -150.00 to +50.00 dBc with 0.01 dB resolution.

## Rel StopAmpt

Key access:  $[MEAS] > {SEM} > {Offset/Limits} > {More}$ 

Enters a relative level limit at **Stop Freq** ranging from -150.00 to +50.00 dBc with 0.01 dB resolution, and to toggle this function between **Couple** and **Man**. If set to **Couple**, this is coupled to **Rel Start** to make a flat limit line. If set to **Man**, **Rel Start** and **Rel Stop** you can enter different values to make a sloped limit line.

#### Meas BW

Key access:  $[MEAS] > {SEM} > {Offset/Limits} > {More}$ > {More}

Specifies the bandwidth to use when measuring the offset. When using the front panel, only the currently selected offset is affected. All the offsets are affected when remote control. This is the multiplier applied to the resolution bandwidth to determine the bandwidth to integrate when calculating the power. Meas BW is now restricted to be 1 and not changeable.

#### Fail Mask

Key access:  $[MEAS] > \{SEM\} > \{Offset/Limits\} > \{More\}$ > {More}

Displays the menu to select one of the following logic keys for fail conditions between the measurement results and the test limits:

#### Absolute

Sets the limit test to show Fail if one offset is larger than the corresponding limit for Abs Start and/or Abs Stop. This is the default selection for each offset for BTS measurements.

#### Relative

Sets the limit test to show Fail if one offsets spectrum emission mask measurement results is larger than the corresponding limit for Rel Start and/or Rel Stop.

#### Abs AND Rel

Set the limit test to show fail if one offset's emission mask measurement results is larger than both the corresponding limit for Abs Start and Stop and the limit for Rel Start and Rel Stop.

#### Abs or Rel

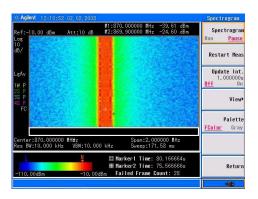
Set the limit test to show fail if one offset's the absolute emission mask measurement results is larger than the corresponding limit for Abs Start and Stop or the limit for Rel Start and Rel Stop.

# Spectrogram

The spectrogram gives the three-dimensional display of power, frequency and time to monitor the behavior of varying signal parameters over time.

The scrolling three-dimensional display is noted for its ability to track the frequency and power behavior over the time, particularly intermittent signals. The user can use spectrogram to analyze the stability of a signal over the time, or to identify intermittent interference signals in communications systems.

The spectrogram data and screenshots can be saved and recalled for later analysis or reporting.



## Spectrogram

Key access: [MEAS] > {More} > {Spectrogram} > {Spectrogram}

Toggles between Run and Pause.

#### **Restart Meas**

Key access:  $[MEAS] > \{More\} > \{Channel Power\} >$ {Restart Meas} Resets the spectrogram display.

### Update Interval

Key access: [MEAS] > {More} > {Channel Power} > {Update Int.}

Enables you to set the interval of time to update data to 1 or more seconds. Or, you may set it to automatically determine the Update Interval that provides the maximum data collection speed. A data sample is taken every time interval for display on the spectrogram. Increasing the update time allows data capturing over a longer period of time in the spectrogram.

### Spec View

Key access:  $[MEAS] > \{More\} > \{Channel Power\}$ 

Enables you to page up and down in the captured spectrogram.

#### Palette

Key access: [MEAS] > {More} > {Channel Power} > {Palette}

Toggles the spectrogram color mode between full color and gravscale.

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## **SPAN**

Hardkey menu access.

Accesses the softkey submenu of span functions. Pressing [SPAN] allows you to change the frequency range. The frequency-span readout describes the total displayed frequency range. To determine frequency span per horizontal graticule division (when in linear frequency scale type), divide the frequency span by 10.

## Span

Key access: [SPAN] > {Span}

Enter a frequency span range value.

### Full

Key access:  $[SPAN] > {Full}$ 

Changes the span to the full frequency range of the analyzer.

## Zero

Key access:  $[SPAN] > \{Zero\}$ 

Changes the frequency span to zero. In this mode, the current center frequency is displayed in the time domain (the x axis is displayed in units of time), like a conventional oscilloscope.

# Last Span

Key access: [SPAN] > {Last Span}

Changes the span to the previous span setting.

## TRACE

Accesses the trace keys to store and manipulate trace information. Each trace comprises a series of data points in which amplitude information is stored. The analyzer updates the data for any active trace with each successive sweep.

## Trace

Key access:  $[TRACE] > \{Trace\}$ 

Selects the trace (1-4) for current use.

## **Clear Write**

Key access: [TRACE] > {Clear Write}

Erases any previously stored trace data and continuously updates the display during following sweeps of the analyzer. This function is activated for trace 1 at power on and factory preset.

## Max Hold

Key access:  $[TRACE] > \{Max Hold\}$ 

Maintains the diplayed maximum level for each trace point of the selected trace. A trace point is updated if a new maximum level is detected in successive sweeps.

Changing the vertical scale (Amplitude, Scale Type, Log or Line), or pressing PRESET, or turning averaging on (TRACE, Average (On)) or switching widow in Zone Span restarts the held trace.

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## Minimum Hold

Key access: [TRACE] > {Min Hold}

Maintains the minimum level for each trace point of the selected trace, and updates each trace point if a new minimum level is detected in successive sweeps.

NOTE

Changing the vertical scale (Amplitude, Scale Type, Log or Line), or pressing PRESET, or turning averaging on (TRACE, Average (On)) or switching widow in Zone Span restarts the held trace.

## View

Key access:  $[TRACE] > \{View\}$ 

Holds and displays the amplitude data of the selected trace. The trace register is not updated as the analyzer sweeps. If a trace is deactivated by pressing **Blank**, the stored trace data can be retrieved by pressing **View**.

## Blank

Key access:  $[TRACE] > \{ Blank \}$ 

Stores the amplitude data for the selected trace and removes it from the display. The selected trace register will not be updated as the analyzer sweeps. This function is activated for traces 2, 3 and 4 at power-on and **Factory Preset**.

## **Detector**

Key access:  $[TRACE] > \{More\} > \{Detector\}$ 

Selects a specific detector type, or allows the system to auto select the appropriate detector for a measurement.

For every trace point displayed, there is a finite time during which the data for that point is collected. The analyzer has the ability to look at all of the data evaluated during that time and present a single point of trace data based on the detector mode. We call the interval during which data for that trace point is being collected, the "bucket". Thus a trace is more than a series of single points. It is actually a series of trace "buckets". The data may be sampled many times within each bucket.

With the detector sets to Auto, Pressing [TRACE] > {More} > {Average} and select On changes the detector. The Auto choice depends on marker, and trace functions, and the trace averaging function. If a marker function or measurement is running, the Auto choice of detector is either Average or Sample. When one of the detectors (such as Average) is manually selected instead of Auto, that detector is used without regard to other analyzer settings.

#### Auto

Selects peak detector as the default. If a measurement condition arises where a different detector type is better, the system will use the alternate selection.

#### Normal

Selects the maximum and minimum video signal values alternately. When selecting the normal detector, "N" appears in the upper-left corner.

#### Average

Measures the average value of the amplitude across each trace interval (bucket). When Average is selected, "A" appears on the upper-left corner.

#### Pos Peak

Obtains the maximum video signal between the last display point and the present display point and stores this value in memory. It is used primarily when measuring sinusoidal (spectral) components. When Positive Peak is selected, "P" appears in the upper-left corner.

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#### Sample

Primarily used to display noise (or noise-like) signals. It should not be used to measure the accurate amplitude of non noise-like signals.

In sample mode, the instantaneous signal value at the present display point is placed in memory. When Sample detector is selected, "S" appears in the upper-left corner of the display.

#### Neg Peak

Similar to peak detector, but selects the minimum video signal value. Not to be used to measure the most accurate amplitude. When in **Negative Peak** mode, an "N" also appears in the upper-left corner.

## Average

Key access: [TRACE] > {More} > {Average}

Initiates a digital averaging routine that averages the trace points in a number of successive sweeps resulting in trace "smoothing". Increasing the average number will further smooth the trace. For the information of the type of averaging please refer to "Avg Type" on page 89.

The average is restarted when any of the following occurs:

- · A new average number is entered.
- Any related parameter (e.g., center frequency) is changed.

Press Average (Off) to turn off averaging.

The number of sweeps can only be set using the numeric keypad, not the knob or arrow keys.

### Save Trace

Key access: [TRACE] > {More} > {Save trace}

Saves a current trace into a file (\*.DAT).

The analyzer uses the filename of the preceding file saved, but adds an integer in 1, 2, 3 sequence to the end of the filename to differentiate it from others.

If there is no record of saved trace in the analyzer. the default file name of the current saved trace will be "HYTRACE DAT".

## Save As

Key access:  $[TRACE] > \{More\} > \{Save as\}$ 

Saves a current trace to a file/directory, with a user-defined filename.

The filename is entered using the numeric keypad and terminated by pressing [ENTER].

Numbers, alpha characters and underline are all valid components of a filename.

## **Recall Trace**

Key access:  $[TRACE] > \{More\} > \{Recall trace\}$ 

The user may recall a saved trace as the current activated trace.

## LIMIT

### **Limit Line**

Key access: [Limit] > {Limit Line}

Activates an adjustable horizontal line that is used as a visual reference line.

The limit line, used for trace arithmetic, has amplitude values that correspond to its vertical position when compared to the reference level. The value of the display line appears in both the active function block and on the left side of the display. The arrow keys, knob, or numeric keypad may be used to adjust the display line. Pressing any digit, 0 through 9, on the numeric keypad brings up the selected terminator menu. To deactivate the display line, press Display Line (Off).

### Limit Pattern

Key access: [Limit] > {Limit Pattern}

Turns on the limit pattern function and turns off the limit line function simultaneously.

## Set Pattern

Key access: [Limit] > {Set Pattern}

Allows you to set a limit pattern for measurements.

You can create or edit limit points up to four points to define the limit line.

Pressing **X** Axis Unite to toggle the frequency domain or time domain before you set the parameter of limit point.

## **Limit Type**

Key access: [Limit] > {Limit Type}

Defines the limit you are editing as either an upper or lower limit. An upper limit fails if trace 1 exceeds the limit. A lower limit fails if trace 1 falls below the limit.

## Beep

Key access:  $[Limit] > \{Beep\}$ 

Turns the Beep feature on or off. When on, it sounds an alarm as an indicator of a measurement limit failure.

## Save Pattern

Key access: [Limit] > {Save Pattern}

Saves the parameters of the current limit pattern in a file (\*.PTN).

Enter the user defined filename using the numeric keypad and press [ENTER] as a terminator.

Number, alpha characters and underline are all valid components of a filename.

## **Recall Pattern**

Key access: [Limit] > {Recall Pattern}

Recalls files previously saved containing the limit parameters that may be frequently used for test purposes.

## 5 Key Reference



This charpter contains basic information on using SCPI commands to control the analyzer.

# **SCPI Language Basics**

Standard Commands for Programmable Instruments (SCPI) is an ASCII-based instrument command language designed for test and measurement instruments, with the goal of reducing automatic test equipment (ATE) program development time.

SCPI accomplishes this goal by providing a consistent programming environment for instrument control and data usage. This consistent programming environment is achieved by the use of defined program messages, instrument responses, and data formats across all SCPI instruments.

By providing a consistent programming environment, replacing one SCPI instrument with another SCPI instrument in a system should require less effort than with non-SCPI instrument.

SCPI is not a standard which completely provides for interchangeable instrumentation. SCPI helps move toward interchangeability by defining instrument commands and responses, but not functionality, accuracy, resolution, and so forth.

## Common Terms used in this Book

| Terms       | Description   |
|-------------|---|
| Controller: | Any computer used to communicate with an instrument. A controller can be a personal computer (PC), a minicomputer, or a plug-in card in a card cage. Some intelligent instruments can also function as controllers. |
| Instrument: | Any device that implements SCPI. Most instruments are electronic measurement or stimulus devices, but this is not a requirement.  |
|             | Similarly, most instruments use a GPIB or RS-232 or USB interface for communication. The same concepts apply regardless of the instrument function or the type of interface used.                                   |
| Command:    | An instruction. You combine commands to form messages that control instruments to complete a specified task. In general, a command consists of mnemonics (keywords), parameters and punctuation.                    |
| Query:      | A special type of command. Queries instruct the instrument to make response data available to the controller. Query keywords always end with a question mark (?).   |

## **Basic Knowledge Requirement**

Programming with SCPI requires knowledge of:

- Computer programming languages, such as C or C++.
- The language of your instrument. A N9340B employs SCPI as its programming language.

## **Command Categories**

SCPI command falls into two categories:

- Subsystem commands
- · Common commands

Use a computer to control the signal generator (but operate the line power switch manually). Computer programming procedures for the spectrum analyzer involve selecting a programming statement and then adding the specified programming codes to that statement to achieve the desired operating conditions.

# **Command Syntax**

Command syntax includes standard notations and statement rules.

#### Command Statement Rules Overview

- Command statements read from left to right
- · Use either long form or short form of keywords, but do not use both
- No separating space between the keywords, only use a colon to separate keywords of different levels
- Always separating a keyword from a variable with a space
- · Always separating a variable from its unit with a space (if variable has a unit)

## Standard Notations

A command consists of mnemonics (keywords). parameters and punctuation. Before you start to program your analyzer, familiarize yourself with the standard notation of each of them.

### Keywords

Many commands have both a long and a short form: use either one. (a combination of the two is not allowed). Consider the: FREQuency command for example:

- Short form :FREO
- Long form :FREQuency

SCPI is not case sensitive, so frequency is just as valid as FREQUENCY, but FREQ and FREQUENCY are the only valid forms of the FREQuency command.

In this documentation, upper case letters indicate the short form of the keyword. The upper case and lower case letters indicate the long form of the kevword.

#### Punctuation

- A vertical bar "|" dictates a choice of one element from a list. For example: <A>|<B> indicates that either A or B can be selected, but not both.
- Square brackets "[ ]" indicates that the enclosed items are optional.
- Angle brackets "< >" indicates a variable value to be defined.
- · A question mark "?" after a command indicates that this command is a query. The instrument should return a data to the controller.
- A curly brackets "{ }" indicates a variable parameters to be defined.

## **Separator**

- A colon ":" separates keywords of different hiberarchy.
- · A space separates a keyword and a parameter, as well as a parameter and a unit.

# **Default unit of parameters**

The analyzer has the following default units for numeric variables.

| Parameter          | Default unit |
|--------------------|--------------|
| Frequency          | Hz           |
| Absolute amplitude | dBm          |
| Time               | s            |

If you are using the default unit in a command, you can leave out the unit.

For example, if you are setting the center frequency to 800 MHz of ACPR measurement.

The following two commands have the same effect:

```
:MEASure:ACPR:CENTer <800000000>
```

<sup>:</sup>MEASure:ACPR:CENTer <800 MHz>

## Common Commands

These commands are specified in IEEE Standard 488.2-1992, IEEE Standard Codes, Formats, Protocols and Common Commands for Use with ANSI/IEEE Std 488.1-1987. New York. NY. 1992.

#### Clear Status

\*CLS

This command clears the error queue of the analyzer.

#### Standard Event Status Enable

\*ESE <number>

\*ESE?

Sets the bits in the standard event status enable register. This register monitors I/O errors and synchronization conditions such as operation complete, request control, query error, device dependent error, execution error, command error and power on. A summary bit is generated on execution of the command.

Query returns the state of the standard event status enable register.

Range:. Integer, 0 to 255

## Standard Event Status Register Query

\*ESR?

Queries and clears the standard event status event register. (This is a destructive read.)

Range: Integer, 0 to 255

## Identification Query

\*TDM?

This command returns an instrument identification information string. The response is organized into four fields by commas. The field definitions are as follows:

- · Manufacturer
- Model
- · Serial number
- · Firmware version

## Operation Complete

\*OPC

\*OPC?

Sets bit 0 in the standard event status register to "1" when all pending operations have finished.

The query stops any new commands from being processed until the current processing is complete. Then it returns a "1", and the program continues. This query can be used to synchronize events of other instruments on the external bus.

\*OPC and \*OPC? are currently effective only when immediately preceded by the :INITiate:IMMediate command.

#### Reset

\*RST

This command returns the instrument to a factory defined condition that is appropriate for remote programming operation.

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## **Service Request Enable**

\*SRE <integer>

\*SRE?

This command sets the value of the service request enable register.

The query returns the value of the register.

Range: Integer, 0 to 255

## **Read Status Byte Query**

\*STB?

Returns the value of the status byte register without erasing its contents.

## **Self Test Query**

\*TST?

This query is used for a self test.

#### Wait-to-Continue

\*WAT

This command causes the instrument to wait until all pending commands are completed before executing any additional commands. There is no query form to the command

# **CALCulate Subsystem**

This subsystem is used to perform post-acquisition data processing. In effect, the collection of new data triggers the CALCulate subsystem. This subsystem is further divided into two subsections: limits and markers which are the primary functions in this subsystem.

### Limit Line Subsection

An N9340B allows you to define a limit line for your measurement. You can then have the instrument compare the data to your defined limit and indicate a pass/fail condition.

Refer to TRACe subsystem for more trace commands.

### Select the Type of Limit Line

```
:CALCulate:LLINe[1]:TYPE UPPer LOWer
:CALCulate:LLINe[1]:TYPE?
```

This command sets a limit line to be either an upper or lower type. An upper line will be used as the maximum allowable value when comparing with the data. A lower limit line defends the minimum value.

| *RST state: | Upper                  |
|-------------|------------------------|
| Range:      | Upper   Lower          |
| Key access: | [Limit] > {Limit Mode} |

### **Control Limit line Buzzer**

```
:CALCulate:LLINe[1]:BUZZer[:STATe]
OFF|ON|0|1
```

:CALCulate:LLINe[1]:BUZZer[:STATe]?

This command toggles the audio warning between on and off. If data exceeds the limit line the buzzer will sound an alarm.

\*RST state: Off

Key access: [Limit] > {Beep}

## **Control Limit Line Testing**

```
:CALCulate:LLINe[1]:[STATe] OFF|ON|0|1
:CALCulate:LLINe[1]:[STATe]?
```

This command toggles the limit line testing between on and off.

If the limit line is turned on, limit pattern is automatically turned off.

\*RST state: Off

Key access: [Limit] > {Limit Line}

## Set Limit Line Y-axis value

```
:CALCulate:LLINe[1]:Y <value>
:CALCulate:LLINe[1]:Y?
```

This command sets the Y-axis value of a limit line.

Limit line Y-axis value is set independently and is not affected by the X-axis units.

| *RST value:     | 0 dBm                  |
|-----------------|------------------------|
| Available unit: | dBm, -dBm, mV, uV      |
| Key access:     | [Limit] > {Limit Line} |

## **Control Limit Pattern Testing**

```
:CALCulate:LLINe[1]:PATTern[:STATe]
OFF|ON|0|1
```

:CALCulate:LLINe[1]:PATTern[:STATe]?

This command toggles the usage of limit pattern between on and off.

If the limit pattern is turned on, limit line is automatically turned off.

\*RST state: Off

Key access: [Limit] > {Limit Pattern}

#### Set Limit Pattern X-axis Units

```
:CALCulate:LLINe[1]:PATTern:DOMain FREQ|TIME :CALCulate:LLINe[1]:PATtern:DOMain?
```

This command selects how the limit pattern points are defined: according to the frequency or sweep time setting of the spectrum analyzer. The query command returns a string of FREQ or TIME.

\*RST state: Frequency
Range: FREQ|TIME

Key access: [Limit] > {Set pattern} > {X axis unit}

### **Define Limit Pattern Values**

```
:CALCulate:LLINe[1]:DATA
<x-axis>,<ampl>{,<x-axis>,<ampl>}
:CALCulate:LLINe[1]:DATA?
```

This command defines limit pattern values, and destroys all existing data. A N9340B allows you to set as many as four points to compose the limit pattern by connecting them together.

<x-axis> can be a frequency or time axis.

| *RST state: | Off                     |
|-------------|-------------------------|
| Key access: | [Limit] > {Set Pattern} |

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 <x-axis> - are variables in frequency or time domain as specified by
 :CALCulate:LLINe[1]:PATTern:DOMain FREO|TIME.

Domain Valid unit
Frequency Hz, kHz, MHz, GHz
Time ms, ms, s, ks

 <ampl> - amplitude values are in the current Y-axis units.

## CALCulate:MARKer Subsection

### Markers All Off on All Traces

:CALCulate:MARKer:AOFF

This command turns off all markers on all traces.

| Key access: [Marker] > {More} > {All Off} |
|---|
|---|

#### Markers All On

:CALCulate:MARKer:ALL

This command turns on all the markers and places them on six highest peaks.

| *RST state: | Off                                      |
|-------------|--|
| Key access: | [Marker] > {Peak search} > {Auto search} |

## Frequency Counter Marker

:CALCulate:MARKer[1]|2|3|4|5|6:FCOunt [:STATe] OFF|ON|0|1 :CALCulate:MARKer[1]|2|3|4|5|6:FCOunt

:CALCulate:MARKer[1]|2|3|4|5|6:FCOunt [:STATe]?

This command toggles the frequency counter between on and off.

\*RST state: Off

Key access: [Marker] > {More} > {Freq Count}

To query frequency counter readout, use :CALCulate:MARKer[1]|2|3|4|5|6:FRECount:X?

## **Marker Function**

:CALCulate:MARKer[1]|2|3|4|5|6:FUNCtion FCOunt|NOISe|OFF

:CALCulate:MARKer[1]|2|3|4|5|6:FUNCtion?

This command selects the marker function for the designated marker.

FCOunt refers to the frequency counter function.

NOISe refers to the noise measurement function.

OFF refers to turning off all functions.

Key access [Marker] > {More} > {Mode}

## Marker Peak (Maximum) Search

: CALCulate:MARKer[1]|2|3|4|5|6:MAXimum

This command performs a peak search based on the search mode settings.

Key access [Marker] > {Peak search} > {Peak}

## Marker Peak (Maximum) Left Search

:CALCulate:MARKer[1]|2|3|4|5|6:MAXimum:LEFT

This command places the selected marker on the next highest signal peak to the left of the current marked peak.

Key access [Marker] > {Peak search} > {Next Left PK}

## Marker Peak (Maximum) Right Search

:CALCulate:MARKer[1] | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6: MAXimum:RIGHt

This command places the selected marker on the next highest signal peak to the right of the current marked peak.

Key access

[Marker] > {Peak search} > {Next Right PK}

### Marker Mode

```
:CALCulate:MARKer[1]|2|3|4|5|6:MODE POSition|DELTa|OFF
```

:CALCulate:MARKer[1] | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6:MODE?

This command sets the markers to the following mode:

- Position selects a normal marker that can be positioned on a trace and from which trace information will be generated.
- Delta activates a pair of markers, one of which is fixed at the current marker location. The other marker can then be moved around on the trace. The marker readout shows the difference between the two markers.
- Off turns marker off.

| Key access: | [Marker] > {Normal}<br>[Marker] > {Delta}<br>[Marker] > {Off} |
|-------------|---|
|             | [ivialker] > folis  |

### Set center frequency to the marker value

:CALCulate:MARKer[1] | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 [:SET] :CENTer

This command sets the center frequency equal to the specified marker frequency, which moves the marker to the center of the screen. In delta marker mode, the center frequency is set to the marker delta value. This command is not available in zero span.

Kev access: [Marker] > {Marker To} > {To Center}

#### Set reference level to the marker value

:CALCulate:MARKer[1]|2|3|4|5|6[:SET]:RLEVel

This command sets the reference level to the specified marker amplitude. In delta marker mode. the reference level is set to the amplitude difference between the markers.

[Marker] > {Marker To} > {To Ref} Kev access:

### Marker On/Off

:CALCulate:MARKer[1]|2|3|4|5|6:STATe OFF | ON | 0 | 1

:CALCulate:MARKer[1]|2|3|4|5|6:STATe?

This command toggles the selected marker status between on and off.

Key access: [Marker] > {Normal} [Marker] > {Off}

## Marker to Trace

Key access:

:CALCulate:MARKer[1] | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6:TRACe <integer> :CALCulate:MARKer[1] | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6:TRACe?

This command assigns the specified marker to the designated trace 1, 2, 3 or 4.

\*RST value: Range: 1. 2. 3. or 4 [Marker] > {More} > {Marker Trace}

### Marker readout: X Value

```
:CALCulate:MARKer[1]|2|3|4|5|6:X <para>
:CALCulate:MARKer[1] | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6:X?
```

This command positions the designated marker on its assigned trace at the specified trace X value. The value is in the X-axis units, which can be a frequency or time.

The query returns the current X value of the designated marker.

| *RST state: | Matches the units of the trace on which the marker is positioned. |
|-------------|---|
| Key access: | [Marker] > {Normal}   |

### Marker readout: Y Value

```
:CALCulate:MARKer[1] | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6:Y?
```

This command reads the current Y value for the designated marker or delta on its assigned trace. The value is in the Y-axis units for the current trace.

| *RST state: | Matches the units of the trace on |
|-------------|-----------------------------------|
|             | which the marker is placed.       |

## **DEMOdulation Subsystem**

This sub tree commands are used to control the demodulation after the measure has been loaded by[:SENSe]:FREQuency:SPAN:ZERO

## **AM Demodulation**

```
:DEMod:AM:STATe OFF ON 0 1
:DEMod:AM:STATe?
```

This command toggles AM demodulation function between on and off.

\*RST state: Off

Key access:  $[Span] > \{Demode\} > \{AM (On)\}$ 

## **FM Demodulation**

```
:DEMod:FM:STATe OFF ON 0 1
```

:DEMod:FM:STATe?

This command toggles FM demodulation function between on and off.

\*RST state: Off

Key access:  $[SPAN] > \{Demode\} > \{FM (On)\}$ 

## **DISPlay Subsystem**

The DISPlay subsystem controls the selection and presentation of textual, graphical, and trace information. Within a display, information may be separated into individual windows.

## **Trace Y-Axis Scaling**

```
:DISPlay:WINDow:TRACe:Y[:SCALe]:PDIVision
1 | 2 | 5 | 10
```

:DISPlay:WINDow:TRACe:Y[:SCALe]:PDIVision?

This command sets the per-division display scaling for the y-axis when scale type of Y axis is set to Log.

| *RST value: | 10 dB                 |
|-------------|-----------------------|
| Range:      | 1,2,5 or 10           |
| Key access: | [AMPTD] > {Scale/DIV} |

## Trace Y-Axis Reference Level

```
:DISPlay:WINDow:TRACe:Y[:SCALe]:RLEVel <ampl>
:DISPlay:WINDow:TRACe:Y[:SCALe]:RLEVel?
```

This command sets the amplitude value of the reference level for the y-axis.

| *RST value:     | 0.00 dBm   |
|-----------------|--|
| Range:          | -120.00 to +30 dBm<br>(in factory default state) |
| Available unit: | dBm, –dBm, mV, mV                                |
| Key access:     | [AMPTD] > {Ref Level}                            |

#### Trace Y-Axis Reference Level Offset

:DISPlay:WINDow:TRACe:Y[:SCALe]:RLEVel:OFFSet<ampl>

:DISPlay:WINDow:TRACe:Y[:SCALe]:RLEVel:OFFSet?

This command sets the amplitude level offset for the Y-Axis.

\*RST value: 0.00 dB

Range: -327.60 to +327.60 dB

Available unit: dB

Key access: [AMPTD] > {Ref Offset}

## **Vertical Axis Scaling**

:DISPlay:WINDow:TRACe:Y[:SCALe]:SPACing LINear|LOGarithmic

:DISPlay:WINDow:TRACe:Y[:SCALe]:SPACing?

Toggles the vertical graticule divisions between logarithmic or linear units. The default logarithmic unit is dBm, and the linear unit is mV.

\*RST State: Log

Key Access: [AMPTD] > {Scale Type}

## **Brightness**

:DISPlay:MODE:BRIGhtness <integer>

:DISPlay:MODE:BRIGhtness?

This command adjusts the brightness of the current screen display. Setting brightness to 0 turns off the backlight of the LCD screen.

\*RST Value: 5
Range: 0 to 10
Key Access: [SYS] > {Brightness}

## **INITiate Subsystem**

The INITiate subsystem is used to control the initiation of the trigger. Refer to the TRIGger subsystem for related commands.

## **Continuous or Single Sweep**

```
:INITiate:CONTinuous OFF | ON | 0 | 1
```

:INITiate:CONTinuous?

Toggles the continuous sweep between on and off.

- When the On (1) parameter is selected, the continious sweep is enabled.
- When the Off (0) parameter is selected, the continuous sweep is disabled and single sweep is enabled.

| *RST State: | Continuous sweep (On)  |
|-------------|------------------------|
| Key Access: | $[BW/SWP] > \{Sweep\}$ |

## Initiate a single sweep

:INITiate[:IMMediate]

This command initiates a single sweep.

Note that the command becomes effective only after you set the sweep mode to single sweep previously.

| Key Access: | [BW/SWP] > {Single Sweep} |
|-------------|---------------------------|

## **INSTrument Subsystem**

This subsystem includes commands for querying and selecting instrument measurement mode.

#### Select One button measurement

```
:INSTrument:MEASure
OFF | CHPower | ACPR | OBW | CHP | SEM | FS |
:INSTrument:MEASure?
```

Selects the one-button measurement among channel power, adjacent channel power ratio, occupied bandwidth, spectrum emission mask and field strength.

Use this command to select a power measurement firstly, then use other commands to set the parameters of this power measurement.

| *RST State: | Off    |
|-------------|--------|
| Key Access: | [MEAS] |

## **MEASure Subsystem**

Provides programming information for the keys associated with the measurements available when you press the front-panel Measure key.

This sub tree command must be used after the measure has been loaded by :INSTrument:MEASure

ACPR | OBW | CHP | SEM | FS

#### OBW Subsection

#### Selecting the OBW method

```
:MEASure:OBW:METHod PERCent|XDB
:MEASure:OBW:METHod?
```

Sets the method of OBW measurement as percent or xdB.

## Setting Percentage (%) method of OBW

```
:MEASure:OBW:PERCent <para>
: MEASure: OBW: PERCent?
```

Edits the percentage of signal power used when determining the occupied bandwidth. The percentage ranges from 10.00% to 99.99%.

## Setting dBc method of OBW

```
:MEASure:OBW:XDB <para>
:MEASure:OBW:XDB?
```

Specifies the power level used to determine the emission bandwidth as the number of dB down from the highest signal point, within the occupied bandwidth span.

#### Return the measurement result

```
:MEASure:OBW?
```

Returns the x dB and percent value in OBW.

### **ACPR Subsection**

## Center freq

```
:MEASure:ACPR:CENTer <freq>
:MEASure:ACPR:CENTer?
```

Sets the center frequency of the main channel power.

#### Main channel

```
:MEASure:ACPR:MAIN <freq>
:MEASure:ACPR:MAIN?
```

Specifies the range of integration used in calculating the power in the main channel.

## Adjacent channel

```
:MEASure:ACPR:ADJacent <freq>
:MEASure:ACPR:ADJacent?
```

Specifies the range of integration used in calculating the power in the adjacent channel.

## Channel space

```
:MEASure:ACPR:SPACe <freq>
:MEASure:ACPR:SPACe?
```

Sets the space value between the center frequency of main channel power and that of the adjacent channel power.

#### Main Channel Power

```
:MEASure:ACPR:MPOWer?
```

Return the main channel power of ACPR measurement.

## **Low Adjacent Channel Power**

:MEASure:ACPR:LPOWer?

Return the lower adjacent channel power of ACPR measurement.

### **Upper Adjacent Channel Power**

:MEASure:ACPR:UPOWer?

Return the upper adjacent channel power of ACPR measurement.

### **Low Adjacent Channel Power Ratio**

:MEASure:ACPR:LRATio?

Return the lower adjacent channel power to main channel power ratio.

### **Upper Adjacent Channel Power Ratio**

:MEASure:ACPR:URATio?

Return the upper adjacent channel power to main channel power ratio.

### **Channel Power Subsection**

### **Center Freq**

```
:MEASure:CHPower:CENTer <freq>
:MEASure:CHPower:CENTer?
```

Sets the center frequency of the display.

#### Int BW

```
:MEASure:CHPower:IBW <freq>
:MEASure:CHPower:IBW?
```

Specifies the integration bandwidth ranging from 100 Hz to 3 GHz to calculate the power.

#### Channel Span

```
:MEASure:CHPower:SPAN <freq>
:MEASure:CHPower:SPAN?
```

Sets the analyzer span for the channel power measurement. Be sure the span is set between 1 and 10 times the integration bandwidth.

There are also some remote commands which are irrelative to the front-panel keys.

## Channel Power and Power Density

```
:MEASure:CHPower?
```

Returns channel power and power density.

#### Channel Power

```
:MEASure:CHPower:CHPower?
Returns the channel power.
```

## **Power Density**

```
:MEASure:CHPower:DENSity?
Returns power density.
```

## **Spectrum Emission Mask Subsection**

#### Average number

```
MEASure:SEMask:AVERage:COUNt <integer>
MEASure:SEMask:AVERage:COUNt?
```

Specifies the number of measurement averages used when calculating themeasurement result. The average is displayed at the end of each sweep.

### Averaging on/off

```
MEASure:SEMask:AVERage[:STATe] OFF|ON|0|1
MEASure:SEMask:AVERage[:STATe]?
```

This command toggles averaging off and on. Averaging combines the value of successive measurements to average out measurement variations.

#### Integration bandwidth

```
MEASure:SEMask:BANDwidth|BWIDth[n]:INTegration
<freq>
```

MEASure:SEMask:BANDwidth|BWIDth[n]:INTegration
?

Allows you to specify the integration bandwidth used in calculating the power in the main channel.

#### Res BW Auto

```
MEASure]:SEMask:BANDwidth|BWIDth[n][:RESolutio n]:AUTO OFF|ON|0|1
```

MEASure:SEMask:BANDwidth|BWIDth[n][:RESolution
]:AUTO?

Toggles the resolution bandwidth in use between Auto and manual.

## Setting Res BW

```
MEASure:SEMask:BANDwidth|BWIDth[n][:RESolution
] <freq>
```

MEASure:SEMask:BANDwidth|BWIDth[n][:RESolution 12

Specifies the resolution bandwidth used in measuring and the power in the main channel.

#### Total Pwr Ref or PSD Ref

MEASure: SEMask: CARRier: AUTO[:STATe] OFF | ON | 0 | 1 MEASure:SEMask:CARRier:AUTO[:STATe]?

```
MEASure:SEMask:CARRier[:POWerl <ampl>
MEASure:SEMask:CARRier[:POWer]?
```

Displays the type of power measurement reference selected by MEASure:SEMask:TYPe TPRef|PSDRef (see "Reference type" on page 154).

**Total Pwr Ref** is the power in the carrier that is used as the reference in computing the relative power values for the offsets. When 0 is selected, this can be set by the user. When 1 is selected, this is the measured power in the reference carrier.

**PSD Ref** is the mean power spectral density in the carrier that is used as the reference in computing the relative power spectral density values for the offsets. When 0 is selected, this can be set by the user, when 1 is selected, this is the measured mean power spectral density in the reference carrier.

## Chan Span

```
MEASure:SEMask:FREQuency:SPAN <freq>
MEASure: SEMask: FREOuency: SPAN?
```

Specifies the span used in measuring the power in the main channel.

## Center Frequency

```
MEASure:SEMask:FREQuency:CENTer <freq>
MEASure: SEMask: FREQuency: CENTer?
```

Specifies the center frequency used in the main channel.

#### Select Marker

```
MEASure:SEMask:MARKer[1]|2|3|4[:STATe]
OFF | ON | 0 | 1
```

MEASure:SEMask:MARKer[1]|2|3|4[:STATe]?

This command toggles the selected marker status between on and off.

#### Maker readout: X axis

```
MEASure:SEMask:MARKer[1]|2|3|4:X <number>
MEASure:SEMask:MARKer[1]|2|3|4:X?
```

This command positions the designated marker on its assigned trace at the specified trace X value. The value is in the X-axis units, which can be a frequency or time.

#### Maker readout: Y axis

```
MEASure:SEMask:MARKer[1]|2|3|4:Y?
```

This command reads the current Y value for the designated marker or delta on its assigned trace. The value is in the Y-axis units.

## Setting Offset Resolution bandwidth

```
MEASure: SEMask: OFFSet: LIST: BANDwidth | BWIDth [:R
ESolution] <real number>, <real number>,
<real number>, <real number>, <real number>.
MEASure: SEMask: OFFSet: LIST: BANDwidth | BWIDth [:R
ESolution1?
```

Specifies the resolution bandwidth used in measuring the offset pair.

#### Offset Resolution bandwidth

```
MEASure:SEMask:OFFSet:LIST:BANDwidth|BWIDth[:R
ESolution1:AUTO
OFF | ON | 0 | 1, OF
F|ON|0|1
```

MEASure:SEMask:OFFSet:LIST:BANDwidth|BWIDth[:R ESolution]:AUTO?

Toggles the resolution bandwidth used in measuring the offset pair. When set to Auto, the Res BW from the default tables for

"Offset/Limits" on page 107 are used. When set to Man, the range of settings is the range of available Res BWs of the analyzer, except the maximum is further limited to not exceed (Stop Freq - Start Frea).

#### Setting Meas BW

```
MEASure: SEMask: OFFSet: LIST: BANDwidth | BWIDth: ME
ASure <Integer>, <Integer>, <Integer>,
<Integer>, <Integer>.
```

MEASure: SEMask: OFFSet: LIST: BANDwidth | BWIDth: ME ASure?

Enables you to specify the bandwidth to use when measuring the offset. This is the multiplier applied to the resolution bandwidth to determine the bandwidth to integrate when calculating the power.

#### Setting Start Freq

```
MEASure: SEMask: OFFSet: LIST: FREQuency: STARt
<freq>,<freq>,<freq>,<freq>,<freq>
MEASure:SEMask:OFFSet:LIST:FREQuency:STARt?
```

Specifies the inner limit (frequency closest to the carrier) for both segments of the specified offset pair. When Start Freq (Off) is selected, the offset pair is not measured.

## Setting Stop Freq

```
MEASure:SEMask:OFFSet:LIST:FREQuency:STOP
<freq>,<freq>,<freq>,<freq>,<freq>
MEASure: SEMask: OFFSet: LIST: FREOuency: STOP?
```

Specifies the outer limit (frequency furthest from the carrier) for both segments of the specified offset pair. The lower range is limited to the setting of Start Freq.

#### Turn on/off offset

MEASure:SEMask:OFFSet:LIST:STATe
OFF|ON|0|1,OFF|ON|0|1,OFF|ON|0|1,OF
F|ON|0|1

MEASure:SEMask:OFFSet:LIST:STATe?

Turn on/off the offsets for measurement.

Offsets that are turned off, for the currently selected offset will return a -999.0 when queried.

## Offset Sweep Time

MEASURE:SEMask:OFFSet:LIST:SWEeptime:AUTO
OFF|ON|0|1,OFF|ON|0|1,OFF|ON|0|1,OFF
|ON|0|1

MEASure:SEMask:OFFSet:LIST:SWEeptime:AUTO?

Toggles this function between **Auto** and **Manual** for each offset.

### **Setting Offsets Sweep Time**

MEASure:SEMask:OFFSet:LIST:SWEeptime
<time>,<time>,<time>,<time>
MEASure:SEMask:OFFSet:LIST:SWEeptime?

Specifies the sweep time for the currently selected offset.

## Setting Offset Abs Start

MEASure:SEMask:OFFSet:LIST:STARt:ABSolute
<ampl>,<ampl>,<ampl>,<ampl>,<ampl>
MEASure:SEMask:OFFSet:LIST:STARt:ABSolute?

Enables you to enter an absolute level limit at **Start Freq** for the currently selected offset.

## Setting Offset Rel Start

MEASure:SEMask:OFFSet:LIST:STARt:RCARrier
<ampl>,<ampl>,<ampl>,<ampl>,<ampl>
MEASure:SEMask:OFFSet:LIST:STARt:RCARrier?

Enables you to enter a relative level limit at **Start Freq** for the currently selected offset.

#### Couple Offset Abs Stop

MEASure:SEMask:OFFSet:LIST:STOP:ABSolute:COUPl e OFF|ON|0|1,OFF|ON|0|1,OFF|ON|0|1,OFF|ON|0|1

MEASure:SEMask:OFFSet:LIST:STOP:ABSolute:COUPle?

toggle this function between **Couple** and **Man**. If set to **Couple**, this is coupled to **Abs Start** to make a flat limit line. If set to **Man**, **Abs Start** and **Abs Stop** you can enter different values to make a sloped limit line.

### Setting Offset Abs Stop

```
MEASure:SEMask:OFFSet:LIST:STOP:ABSolute
<ampl>,<ampl>,<ampl>,<ampl>,<ampl>
MEASure:SEMask:OFFSet:LIST:STOP:ABSolute?
```

Enables you to enter an absolute level limit at **Stop** Freq for the currently selected offset.

## **Couple Offset Rel Stop**

```
MEASure:SEMask:OFFSet:LIST:STOP:RCARrier:COUPL
e
OFF|ON|0|1,OFF|ON|0|1,OFF|ON|0|1,OFF|ON|0|1,OF
F|ON|0|1
MEASure:SEMask:OFFSet:LIST:STOP:RCARrier:COUPL
```

Toggle this function between Couple and Man. If set to Couple, this is coupled to Rel Start to make a flat limit line. If set to Man, Rel Start and Rel Stop you can enter different values to make a sloped limit line.

## Setting Offset Rel Start

```
MEASure:SEMask:OFFSet:LIST:STOP:RCARrier
<ampl>,<ampl>,<ampl>,<ampl>,<ampl>
MEASure:SEMask:OFFSet:LIST:STOP:RCARrier?
```

Enables you to enter a relative level limit at Stop Freq for the currently selected offset.

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#### Fail Mask

MEASure:SEMask:OFFSet:LIST:TEST ABSOlute|RELative|AND|OR,ABSOlute|RELative|AND |OR,ABSOlute|RELative|AND|OR,ABSOlute|RELative |AND|OR,ABSOlute|RELative|AND|OR

MEASure:SEMask:OFFSet:LIST:TEST?

Displays the menu to select one of the following logic keys for fail conditions between the measurement results and the test limits: Absolute, Relative, Abs AND Rel, and Abs OR Rel.

#### Sweep Time Auto

MEASure:SEMask:SWEeptime:AUTO OFF|ON|0|1
MEASure:SEMask:SWEeptime:AUTO?

Toggles the sweep time between auto and manual.

#### Sweep Time

MEASure:SEMask:SWEeptime <time>
MEASure:SEMask:SWEeptime?

Specifies the sweep time used in measuring the power in the main channel.

## Reference type

MEASure:SEMask:TYPe TPRef|PSDRef
MEASure:SEMask:TYPe?

Selects the measurement reference type as Total Pwr Ref or PSD Ref.

When Total Pwr Ref is selected, the power in the carrier is used as the reference in computing the relative power values for the offsets.

When PSD Ref is selected, the mean power spectral density of the carrier is used in computing the relative power spectral density values for the offsets.

## SENSe Subsystem

Sets the instrument parameters for the input signal measurements.

## [:SENSe]:AVERage Subsection

### Average Type

```
[:SENSe]:AVERage:TYPE LOGPower|POWer|VOLTage
[:SENSe]:AVERage:TYPE?
```

This command sets the average type to the following three types:

- · Log Pwr
- Power
- Voltage

For more information about the three types of average above, please refer to "Avg Type" on page 89

| *RST State: | Log Pwr               |
|-------------|-----------------------|
| Range:      | Log Pwr, Pwr, Voltage |
| Key Access: | [BW/SWP] > {Avg Type} |

## Clear the current Average

```
[:SENSe]:AVERage:TRACe1 | 2 | 3 | 4 :CLEar
```

This command restarts the trace averaging function.

Restart the trace at the beginning of a sweep to obtain valid average data. To do this remotely abort the sweep and initiate a single sweep.

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## Turn Averaging On/Off

```
[:SENSe]:AVERage:TRACe 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 [:STATe]
OFF | ON | 0 | 1
```

[:SENSe]:AVERage:TRACe 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 [:STATe]?

This command toggles averaging between off and on. Averaging combines the value of successive measurements to average out measurement variations.

\*RST State: Off

Key Access: [TRACE] > {Average}

## Set the Average Count

```
[:SENSe]:AVERage:TRACe 1|2|3|4:COUNt <value>
[:SENSe]:AVERage:TRACe 1|2|3|4:COUNt?
```

This command specifies the number of measurements that are combined.

\*RST Value: 100

Key Access: [TRACE] > {Average}

## [:SENSe]:BANDwidth Subsection

#### Resolution Bandwidth

[:SENSe]:BANDwidth|BWIDth[:RESolution] <freq> [:SENSe]:BANDwidth|BWIDth[:RESolution]?

This command specifies the resolution bandwidth.

30 Hz to 1 MHz

\*RST Value: 1 MHz

Range: Key Access:  $[BW/SWP] > \{RBW\}$ 

#### Resolution Bandwidth Automatic

[:SENSe]:BANDwidth|BWIDth [:RESolution]:Auto OFF ON 0 1

[:SENSe]:BANDwidth|BWIDth [:RESolution]:Auto?

This command couples the resolution bandwidth to the frequency span. Auto-couple resolution bandwidth is not available in zero span..

\*RST State: Key Access:  $[BW/SWP] > \{RBW\}$ 

#### Video Bandwidth

[:SENSe]:BANDwidth|BWIDth:VIDeo <freq> [:SENSe]:BANDwidth|BWIDth:VIDeo?

This command specifies the video bandwidth.

\*RST Value: 1 MHz

3 Hz to 1 MHz Range:

Key Access:  $[BW/SWP] > \{VBW\}$ 

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#### Video Bandwidth Automatic

[:SENSe]:BANDwidth|BWIDth:VIDeo:AUTO OFF|ON|0|1

[:SENSe]:BANDwidth|BWIDth:VIDeo:AUTO?

This command couples the video bandwidth to the resolution bandwidth.

\*RST State: On

Key Access: [BW/SWP] > {VBW}

#### Video to Resolution Bandwidth Ratio

[:SENSe]:BANDwidth|BWIDth:VIDeo:RATio <number>
[:SENSe]:BANDwidth|BWIDth:VIDeo:RATio?

This command specifies the ratio of the video bandwidth to the resolution bandwidth.

\*RST Value: 1.00

Range: 0.001 to 1000

Key Access: [BW/SWP] > {VBW/RBW}

#### Video to Resolution Bandwidth Ratio Mode Select

 $\hbox{ [:SENSe]: BANDwidth | BWIDth: VIDeo: RATio: AUTO OFF | ON | 0 | 1 }$ 

[:SENSe]:BANDwidth|BWIDth:VIDeo:RATio:AUTO?

This command selects auto or manual mode for video bandwidth to resolution bandwidth ratio.

\*RST State: On

Key Access: [BW/SWP] > {VBW/RBW}

## [:SENSe]:DETector Subsection

#### **Detection Mode**

```
[:SENSe]:DETector:TRACe[1] |2 |3 |4 [FUNCtion]
AVERage | POSitive | SAMPle | NEGative | NORMal
[:SENSe]:DETector:TRACe[1] | 2 | 3 | 4 [FUNCtion]?
```

This command specifies the detection mode. For each trace interval (bucket), average detection displays the average of all the samples within the interval. The averaging can be done using two methods:

- The power method (RMS)
- The video method (Y Axis Units).

| *RST State: | POSitive                      |
|-------------|-------------------------------|
| Key Access: | [TRACE] > {More} > {Detector} |

## FREQuency Subsection

## Center Frequency

```
[:SENSe]:FREQuency:CENTer <freq>
[:SENSe]:FREOuency:CENTer UP|DOWN
[:SENSe]:FREQuency:CENTer?
```

This command sets the center frequency.

| *RST Value:     | 1.5 GHz                |
|-----------------|------------------------|
| Available unit: | Hz, kHz, MHz, GHz      |
| Key Access:     | [FREQ] > {Center Freq} |

## **Center Frequency Step Size Automatic**

```
[:SENSe]:FREQuency:CENTer:STEP:AUTO
OFF|ON|0|1
[:SENSe]:FREQuency:CENTer:STEP:AUTO?
```

This command specifies whether the step size is set automatically based on the span.

\*RST State: On

Key Access: [FREQ] > {CF Step}

## **Center Frequency Step Size**

```
[:SENSe]:FREQuency:CENTer:STEP[:INCRement]
<freq>
```

[:SENSe]:FREQuency:CENTer:STEP[:INCRement]?

This command specifies the center frequency step size.

\*RST value: 300 MHz

Available unit: Hz, kHz, MHz, GHz

Key Access: [FREQ] > {CF Step}

## Frequency Span

```
[:SENSe]:FREQuency:SPAN <freq>
[:SENSe]:FREQuency:SPAN?
```

This sets the frequency span.

Setting the span to  $0~\mathrm{Hz}$  puts the analyzer into zero span.

| *RST value:     | 3.0 GHz           |
|-----------------|-------------------|
| Available unit: | Hz, kHz, MHz, GHz |
| Key Access:     | [SPAN]            |

### **Full Frequency Span**

[:SENSe]:FREQuency:SPAN:FULL

This command sets the frequency span to full scale.

\*RST Value: 3.0 GHz

Key Access: [SPAN] > {Full}

### Zero Frequency Span

[:SENSe]:FREQuency:SPAN:ZERO

This command sets the frequency span to zero.

Key Access: [SPAN] > {Zero Span}

### **Last Frequency Span**

[:SENSe]:FREQuency:SPAN:PREVious

This command sets the frequency span to the previous span setting.

Key Access: [SPAN] > {Last Span}

## Start Frequency

[:SENSe]:FREQuency:STARt <freq>

[:SENSe]:FREQuency:STARt?

This command sets the start frequency.

\*RST Value: 0 Hz

Available Unit: Hz, kHz, MHz, GHz

Key Access: [SPAN] > {Start Freq}

### Stop Frequency

```
[:SENSe]:FREQuency:STOP <freq>
[:SENSe]:FREQuency:STOP?
```

This command sets the stop frequency.

| *RST Value:     | 3.0 GHz              |
|-----------------|----------------------|
| Available unit: | Hz, kHz, MHz, GHz    |
| Key Access:     | [FREQ] > {Stop Freq} |

## [:SENSe]:POWer Subsection

## Input Attenuation

```
[:SENSe]:POWer[:RF]:ATTenuation <value>
[:SENSe]:POWer[:RF]:ATTenuation?
```

This command sets the value of the attenuator.

| *RST Value:     | 20 dB                   |
|-----------------|-------------------------|
| Range:          | 0 dB to 51 dB           |
| Available unit: | dB                      |
| Key Access:     | [AMPTD] > {Attenuation} |

## Input Port Attenuator Auto

```
[:SENSe]:POWer[:RF]:ATTenuation:AUTO
OFF|ON|0|1
[:SENSe]:POWer[:RF]:ATTenuation:AUTO?
```

This command selects the input port attenuator range to be set either automatically or manually.

 $\mbox{\sc on}$  – Input attenuation is automatically set as determined by the Reference Level Setting.

Off - Input attenuation is manually set.

| *RST State: | On                          |
|-------------|-----------------------------|
| Key Access: | $[AMPTD] > \{Attenuation\}$ |

#### Input Port Power Gain

```
[:SENSe]:POWer[:RF]:GAIN[:STATe] OFF|ON|0|1
[:SENSe]:POWer[:RF]:GAIN[:STATe]?
```

This command turns the preamplifier on/ off.

| *RST State: | Off                |
|-------------|--------------------|
| Key Access: | [AMPTD] > {Preamp} |

## **SWEep Subsection**

#### Sweep Time

```
[:SENSe]:SWEep:TIME <value>
[:SENSe]:SWEep:TIME?
```

This command specifies the time in which the instrument sweeps the display.

| Range:      | 10 ms to 1000 s         |
|-------------|-------------------------|
| Key Access: | [BW/SWP] > {Sweep Time} |

## **Automatic Sweep Time**

```
[:SENSe]:SWEep:TIME:AUTO OFF ON 0 1
[:SENSe]:SWEep:TIME:AUTO?
```

This command automatically selects the fastest sweep time for the current settings.

| *RST State: | On                          |
|-------------|-----------------------------|
| Key Access: | $[BW/SWP] > \{Sweep Time\}$ |

## Sweep Mode

```
[:SENSe]:SWEep:TIME:AUTO:MODE:NORMal|FAST
[:SENSe]:SWEep:TIME:AUTO:MODE?
```

This command toggles the sweep mode between normal and fast.

| *RST State: | Normal                            |
|-------------|-----------------------------------|
| Key Access: | [BW/SWP] > {Sweep} > {Sweep Mode} |

## **Status Subsystem**

#### Questionable Power Condition

```
:STATus:OUEStionable:POWer:CONDition <value>
:STATus:OUEStionable:POWer:CONDition?
```

This command sets the decimal value of the sum of the bits in the Questionable Power Condition register.

### **Questionable Power Negative Transition**

```
:STATus:OUEStionable:POWer:NTRansition <value>
:STATus:OUEStionable:POWer:NTRansition?
```

This command determines which bits in the Questionable Power Condition register will set the corresponding bit in the Questionable Power Event register when that bit has a negative transition (1) to 0). The variable <integer> is the sum of the decimal values of the bits that you want to enable.

\*RST: 0

#### Questionable Power Positive Transition

```
:STATus:OUEStionable:POWer:PTRansition <value>
:STATus:OUEStionable:POWer:PTRansition?
```

This command determines which bits in the Questionable Power Condition register will set the corresponding bit in the Questionable Power Event register when that bit has a positive transition (0 to 1). The variable <integer> is the sum of the decimal values of the bits that you want to enable.

#### Ouestionable Power Event

```
:STATus:QUEStionable:POWer[:EVENt] <value>
:STATus:OUEStionable:POWer[:EVENt]?
```

This command sets the decimal value of the sum of the bits in the Questionable Power Event register.

#### Questionable Power Enable

```
:STATus:OUEStionable:POWer:ENABle <value>
:STATus:QUEStionable:POWer:ENABle?
```

This command determines which bits in the Questionable Power Condition Register will set bits in the Questionable Power Event register, which also sets the Power Summary bit (bit 3) in the Questionable Register. The variable <integer> is the sum of the decimal values of the bits you want to enable.

\*RST: 32767 (all 1's)

### Questionable Frequency Condition

```
:STATus:QUEStionable:FREQuency:CONDition
<value>
```

This command sets the decimal value of the sum of the bits in the Questionable Frequency Condition register.

## **Questionable Frequency Negative Transition**

```
:STATus:QUEStionable:FREQuency:NTRansition
<value>
```

This command determines which bits in the Questionable Frequency Condition register will set the corresponding bit in the Questionable Frequency Event register when that bit has a negative transition (1 to 0). The variable <integer> is the sum of the decimal values of the bits that you want to enable.

\*RST: 0

<sup>:</sup>STATus:QUEStionable:FREQuency:CONDition?

<sup>:</sup>STATus:QUEStionable:FREQuency:NTRansition?

#### Questionable Frequency Positive Transition

```
:STATus:QUEStionable:FREQuency:PTRansition
<value>
```

This command determines which bits in the Questionable Frequency Condition register will set the corresponding bit in the Questionable Frequency Event register when that bit has a positive transition (0 to 1). The variable <integer> is the sum of the decimal values of the bits that you want to enable.

\*RST: 32767 (all 1's)

#### Questionable Frequency Event Query

```
:STATus:OUEStionable:FREOuency[:EVENt] <value>
:STATus:QUEStionable:FREQuency[:EVENt]?
```

This guery returns the decimal value of the sum of the bits in the Questionable Frequency Event register.

## **Questionable Frequency Enable**

```
:STATus:QUEStionable:FREQuency:ENABle <value>
:STATus:QUEStionable:FREQuency:ENABle?
```

This command determines which bits in the Questionable Frequency Condition Register will set bits in the Questionable Frequency Event register, which also sets the Frequency Summary bit (bit 5) in the Questionable Register. The variable <integer> is the sum of the decimal values of the bits you want to enable.

\*RST: 32767 (all 1's)

<sup>:</sup>STATus:QUEStionable:FREQuency:PTRansition?

#### **Questionable Condition**

```
:STATus:OUEStionable:CONDition <value>
:STATus:OUEStionable:CONDition?
```

This command sets the decimal value of the sum of the bits in the Questionable Condition register.

#### Questionable Negative Transition

```
:STATus:OUEStionable:NTRansition <value>
:STATus:OUEStionable:NTRansition?
```

This command determines which bits in the Questionable Condition register will set the corresponding bit in the Questionable Event register when that bit has a negative transition (1 to 0). The variable <integer> is the sum of the decimal values of the bits that you want to enable.

\*RST: 0

#### Questionable Positive Transition

```
:STATus:OUEStionable:PTRansition <value>
:STATus:OUEStionable:PTRansition?
```

This command determines which bits in the Questionable Condition register will set the corresponding bit in the Questionable Event register when that bit has a positive transition (0 to 1). The variable <integer> is the sum of the decimal values of the bits that you want to enable.

\*RST: 32767 (all 1's)

## Questionable Event Query

```
:STATus:QUEStionable[:EVENt] <value>
:STATus:OUEStionable[:EVENt]?
```

This command sets the decimal value of the sum of the bits in the Questionable Event register.

#### Questionable Enable

```
:STATus:OUEStionable:ENABle <value>
:STATus:QUEStionable:ENABle?
```

This command determines which bits in the Questionable Condition Register will set bits in the Questionable Event register, which also sets the Questionable Status Summary bit (bit3) in the Status Byte Register. The variable <integer> is the sum of the decimal values of the bits you want to enable.

\*RST: 0

### **Operation Condition**

```
:STATus:OPERation:CONDition <value>
:STATus:OPERation:CONDition?
```

This command sets the decimal value of the sum of the bits in the Status Operation Condition register.

### **Operation Negative Transition**

```
:STATus:OPERation:NTRansition <value>
:STATus:OPERation:NTRansition?
```

This command determines which bits in the Operation Condition register will set the corresponding bit in the Operation Event register when that bit has a negative transition (1 to 0). The variable <integer> is the sum of the decimal values of the bits that you want to enable.

\*RST: 0

## Operation Positive Transition

```
:STATus:OPERation:PTRansition <value>
:STATus:OPERation:PTRansition?
```

This command determines which bits in the Operation Condition register will set the corresponding bit in the Operation Event register when that bit has a positive transition (0 to 1). The variable <integer> is the sum of the decimal values of the bits that you want to enable.

\*RST: 32767 (all 1's)

### Operation Event

```
:STATus:OPERation[:EVENt] <value>
:STATus:OPERation[:EVENt]?
```

This command sets the decimal value of the sum of the bits in the Operation Event register.

#### Operation Enable

```
:STATus:OPERation:ENABle <value>
:STATus:OPERation:ENABle?
```

This command determines which bits in the Operation Condition Register will set bits in the Operation Event register, which also sets the Operation Status Summary bit (bit 7) in the Status Byte Register. The variable <integer> is the sum of the decimal values of the bits you want to enable.

\*RST: 0

### Preset the Status Byte

```
:STATUs:PRESet
```

Sets bits in most of the enable and transition registers to their default state.

#### Questionable Calibration Condition

```
:STATus:QUEStionable:CALibration:CONDition
<value>
```

```
:STATus:OUEStionable:CALibration:CONDition?
```

This command sets the decimal value of the sum of the bits in the Questionable Calibration Condition register.

## **Questionable Calibration Negative Transition**

```
:STATus:OUEStionable:CALibration:NTRansition
<value>
```

```
:STATus:OUEStionable:CALibration:NTRansition?
```

This command determines which bits in the Questionable Calibration Condition register will set the corresponding bit in the Questionable Calibration Event register when that bit has a

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negative transition (1 to 0). The variable <integer> is the sum of the decimal values of the bits that you want to enable.

\*RST: 0

#### **Questionable Calibration Positive Transition**

```
:STATus:QUEStionable:CALibration:PTRansition <value>
```

:STATus:QUEStionable:CALibration:PTRansition?

This command determines which bits in the Questionable Calibration Condition register will set the corresponding bit in the Questionable Calibration Event register when that bit has a positive transition (0 to 1). The variable <integer> is the sum of the decimal values of the bits that you want to enable.

\*RST: 32767 (all 1's)

### **Questionable Calibration Event Query**

```
:STATus:QUEStionable:CALibration[:EVENt] <value>
```

:STATus:OUEStionable:CALibration[:EVENt]?

This query returns the decimal value of the sum of the bits in the Questionable Calibration Event register. The data in this register is latched until it is queried. Once queried, the data is cleared.

#### Questionable Calibration Enable

```
:STATus:QUEStionable:CALibration:ENABle <value>
```

:STATus:QUEStionable:CALibration:ENABle?

This command determines which bits in the Questionable Calibration Condition Register will set bits in the Questionable Calibration Event register, which also sets the Calibration Summary bit (bit 8) in the Questionable Register. The variable <integer> is the sum of the decimal values of the bits you want to enable.

### Questionable Integrity Uncalibrated Condition

:STATus:QUEStionable:INTegrity:UNCalibrated:CO NDition <value>

:STATus:QUEStionable:INTegrity:UNCalibrated:CO NDition?

This command sets the decimal value of the sum of the bits in the Questionable Integrity Uncalibrated Condition register.

### Questionable Integrity Uncalibrated Negative Transition

:STATus:QUEStionable:INTegrity:UNCalibrated:NT Ransition <value>

:STATus:QUEStionable:INTegrity:UNCalibrated:NT Ransition?

This command determines which bits in the Questionable Integrity Uncalibrated Condition register will set the corresponding bit in the Questionable Integrity Uncalibrated Event register when that bit has a negative transition (1 to 0). The variable <integer> is the sum of the decimal values of the bits that you want to enable.

\*RST: 0

### Questionable Integrity Uncalibrated Positive Transition

:STATus:QUEStionable:INTegrity:UNCalibrated:PT Ransition <value>

:STATus:QUEStionable:INTegrity:UNCalibrated:PT Ransition?

This command determines which bits in the Questionable Integrity Uncalibrated Condition register will set the corresponding bit in the Questionable Integrity Uncalibrated Event register when that bit has a positive transition (0 to 1). The variable <integer> is the sum of the decimal values of the bits that you want to enable.

\*RST: 32767 (all 1's)

### **Questionable Integrity Uncalibrated Event**

:STATus:QUEStionable:INTegrity:UNCalibrated[:EVENt] <value>

:STATus:QUEStionable:INTegrity:UNCalibrated[EV ENt]?

This command sets the decimal value of the sum of the bits in the Questionable Integrity Uncalibrated Event register.

### Questionable Integrity Uncalibrated Enable

:STATus:QUEStionable:INTegrity:UNCalibrated:EN ABle <value>

:STATus:QUEStionable:INTegrity:UNCalibrated:EN ABle?

This command determines which bits in the Questionable Integrity Uncalibrated Condition Register will set bits in the Questionable Integrity Uncalibrated Event register, which also sets the Data Uncalibrated Summary bit (bit 3) in the Questionable Integrity Register. The variable <integer> is the sum of the decimal values of the bits you want to enable.

\*RST: 32767

## **Questionable Integrity Condition**

:STATus:QUEStionable:INTegrity:CONDition <value>

:STATus:QUEStionable:INTegrity:CONDition?

This command sets the decimal value of the sum of the bits in the Questionable Integrity Condition register.

## **Questionable Integrity Negative Transition**

:STATus:QUEStionable:INTegrity:NTRansition <value>

:STATus:QUEStionable:INTegrity:NTRansition?

This command determines which bits in the Questionable Integrity Condition register will set the corresponding bit in the Questionable Integrity Event register when that bit has a negative transi-

tion (1 to 0). The variable <integer> is the sum of the decimal values of the bits that you want to enable.

\*RST: 0

### **Questionable Integrity Positive Transition**

```
:STATus:QUEStionable:INTegrity:PTRansition
<value>
```

```
:STATus:OUEStionable:INTegrity:PTRansition?
```

This command determines which bits in the Questionable Integrity Condition register will set the corresponding bit in the Questionable Integrity Event register when that bit has a positive transition (0 to 1). The variable <integer> is the sum of the decimal values of the bits that you want to enable.

\*RST: 32767 (all 1's)

#### Questionable Integrity Event

```
:STATus:OUEStionable:INTegrity[:EVENt] <value>
:STATus:QUEStionable:INTegrity[:EVENt]?
```

This command sets the decimal value of the sum of the bits in the Questionable Integrity Event register.

## Questionable Integrity Enable

```
:STATus:QUEStionable:INTegrity:ENABle <value>
:STATus:QUEStionable:INTegrity:ENABle ?
```

This command determines which bits in the Questionable Integrity Condition Register will set bits in the Questionable Integrity Event register, which also sets the Integrity Summary bit (bit 9) in the Questionable Register. The variable <integer> is the sum of the decimal values of the bits you want to enable.

\*RST: 32767 (all 1's)

# SYSTem Subsystem

This subsystem is used to set the controls and parameters associated with the overall system settings. These functions are not related to instrument performance.

## **Ext Input**

```
:SYSTem:CONFigure:PORT REF | TRIGger
:SYSTem:CONFigure:PORT?
```

This command toggles the channel for external input between **Ref** and **Trig**.

[SYS] > {Setting} > {Ext input} Kev Access:

## **Date Query**

:SYSTem:DATE?

This query inquires the date of the real-time clock of the analyzer.

## Time Query

:SYSTem:TIME?

This query inquires the time of the real-time clock of the analyzer.

## **Error Information Query**

```
:SYSTem:ERRor[:NEXT]?
```

This query inquiries the earlier entry to the error queue and then deletes that entry. .

Kev Access: [SYS] > {Show Error}

# TRACe Subsystem

The TRACe subsystem controls access to the internal trace memory of the analyzer.

### **Select Trace Display Mode**

```
:TRACe[1]|2|3|4:MODE
WRITe|MAXHole|MINHole|VIEW|BLANK
:TRACe[1]|2|3|4:MODE?
```

This command selects the display mode as follows:

- Write puts the trace in the normal mode, updating the data.
- Maximum Hold displays the highest measured trace value for all the data that has been measured since the function was turned on.
- View turns on the trace data so that it can be viewed on the display.
- Blank turns off the trace data so that it is not viewed on the display.

| *RST State: | Write  |
|-------------|--|
| Key Access: | [TRACE] > {Clear Write}<br>[TRACE] > {Max Hold}<br>[TRACE] > {Min Hold}<br>[TRACE] > {View}<br>[TRACE] > {Blank} |

NOTE

Whenever the number of sweep points change, the following functions affected:

- All trace data is erased
- · Any traces in view mode will go to blank mode.

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### **Transfer Trace Data**

:TRACe1|2|3|4[:DATA]?

The query returns the current values of the designated trace.

#### **Trace Data Format**

:TRACe:FORMat ASCii|REAL

:TRACe:FORMat?

This remote command specifies the format of the trace data input and output. It specifies the formats used for trace data during data transfer across any remote port. It affects only return trace data format.

ASI:is standard ASCII string be seprated by comma

# **Tracking Generator Subsystem**

The tracking generator subsystem controls the use tracking generator function of the analyzer.

#### State

```
:TGENerator:AMPLitude:STATe OFF|ON|0|1
:TGENerator:AMPLitude:STATe?
```

This command toggles the state of tracking generator between on and off. Setting to ON state enables the tracking generator mode.

| *RST State: | OFF   |
|-------------|---|
| Key Access: | <ol> <li>Press [MODE] to enable the tracking<br/>generator mode.</li> </ol> |
|             | 2 Press {Amplitude} to toggle the tracking generator between on and off.    |

### **Output Amplitude**

```
:TGENerator:AMPLitude <ampt>
:TGENerator:AMPLitude?
```

This command sets the tracking generator output amplitude. This command is valid when tracking generator is enabled.

| *RST State: | –20 dBm      |
|-------------|--------------|
| Range:      | 0 to -30 dBm |
| Key Access: | {Amplitude}  |

### **Amplitude Step**

:TGENerator:AMPLitude:STEP <ampt>

:TGENerator:AMPLitude:STEP?

This command sets the amplitude step size of the tracking generator output. This command is valid after tracking generator is enabled.

\*RST State: 1 dB
Range: 1 to 10 dB
Key Access: {Amptd Step}

### Amplitude Offset

:TGENerator:AMPLitude:OFFSet <ampt>

This command sets the amplitude offset of the tracking generator output. This command is valid after tracking generator is enabled.

\*RST State: 0.00 dB

Range: -88.40 to 327.60 dB

Key Access: {Amptd Offset}

### Storing as reference

:TGENerator:NORMalize:REF

This command stores the current trace to Trace 4 as a reference. This command is valid after tracking generator is enabled.

Key Access: {Normalize} > {Store Ref}

### Normalization

:TGENerator:NORMalize:STATe OFF|ON|0|1

:TGENerator:NORMalize:STATe?

This command toggles the normalization between on and off.

\*RST State: OFF

Key Access: {Normalize} > {Normalize} (On/Off)

#### Normalization Reference Level

:TGENerator:NORMalize:LEVel <para> :TGENerator:NORMalize:LEVel?

This command sets the normalization level.

\*RST State: 0.00 dB

Range: -327 6 to 327 60 dB

Key Access: {Normalize} > {Norm Ref Lvl}

#### Normalization Reference Position

:TGENerator:NORMalize:POSN <para>

:TGENerator:NORMalize:POSN?

This command sets the normalization reference position.

\*RST State: 10

0 to 10 Range:

Kev Access: {Normalize} > {Norm Ref Posn}

#### Reference Trace

:TGENerator:NORMalize:TRACe VIEW|BLANk

:TGENerator:NORMalize:TRACe?

This command toggles the reference trace display between VIEW and BLANk.

VIEW means to holds and displays the amplitude data of the selected trace. If a trace is deactivated by pressing Blank, the stored trace data can be retrieved by pressing View.

BLANk means to store the amplitude data for the selected trace and removes it from the display.

\*RST State: **BI ANk** 

Kev Access: {Normalize} > {Ref Trace}

# **TRIGer Subsystem**

Trigger subsystem is only valid when the analyzer is in zero span.

### **External Trigger Slope**

```
:TRIGer[:SEQuence]:EXTernal:SLOPe
POSitive|NEGative
:TRIGer[:SEQuence]:EXTernal:SLOPe?
```

The external trigger signal must be a TTL signal at 0 to 5 V. This function controls the trigger polarity (for positive or negative-going signals).

\*RST state: Positive

### Trigger Source

```
:TRIGer[:SEQuence]:SOURce
IMMediate|VIDeo|EXTernal
:TRIGer[:SEQuence]:SOURce?
```

This command sets the source (or type) of triggering used to start a measurement.

- · Immediate is a free-run triggering.
- · Video triggers on the video signal level.
- External allows you to connect an external trigger source.

\*RST state: Free-run triggering

Key Access: [SPAN] > {Trigger}

### Video Trigger Level Amplitude

```
:TRIGer[:SEQuence]:VIDeo:LEVel <ampl>
:TRIGer[:SEQuence]:VIDeo:LEVel?
```

This command specifies the video trigger level.

| *RST Value: | 0.00 dBm           |
|-------------|--------------------|
| Key Access: | [SPAN] > {Trigger} |

### **Trigger Delay**

```
:TRIGger[:SEQuence]:DELaytime <time>
:TRIGger[:SEQuence]:DELaytime?
```

Controls a time delay during which the analyzer will wait to begin a sweep after meeting the trigger criteria. You can use negative delay to pre-trigger the instrument in time domain, but not in swept spans.

| *RST Value: | 6 μs                                    |
|-------------|---|
| Key Access: | $[SPAN] > \{Trigger\} > \{Trig Delay\}$ |

# **UNIT Subsystem**

#### Measurement unit

Selects a power unit for measurement.

```
:UNIT:POWer DBM | DBMV | DBUV | V | W
```

:UNIT:POWer?

This command specifies amplitude units for the input, output and display.

| *RST Value:     | dBm                   |
|-----------------|-----------------------|
| Available units | dBm, dBmV, dBuV, V, W |

#### **EMF Mode**

```
:UNIT:POWer:EMF ON|OFF|0|1
```

:UNIT:POWer:EMF?

Turns on the EMF mode to measure the open circuit voltage. Please refer to the equation below when EMF is turned on:

```
20\log(X_{Vemf}) = 20\log(y_{uv}) + 20\log 2 = y dBuV + 6.0206
```

EMF mode is only available when Y Axis Unit is set to dBmV, dB $\mu V$  and V.



This chapter contains Error Message information and definitions used by the analyzer.

# 7 Error Messages

# **Error Message List**

A symbol [F] at the beginning of an error message indicates this is an error caused by manual front panel operation. A symbol [R] at the beginning of an error message indicates this is an error caused by remote control mode.

| Error<br>Code | Error Message           | Description  |
|---------------|-------------------------|--|
| 0             | No error                |  |
| -410          | Query INTERRUPTED       | Indicates that a condition causing an INTERRUPTED query occurred (see IEEE 488.2, 6.3.2.7)   |
| -350          | Query overflow          | Indicates the SCPI remote interface error queue overflowed.  |
| -321          | Out of memory           | Indicates an internal operation needed more memory than that was available.  |
| -224          | Illegal parameter value | Indicates you sent a parameter for this command that is NOT allowed.   |
| -223          | Too much data           | Indicates a legal program data element<br>of block, expression or string type was<br>received that contained more data than<br>the device could handle due to related<br>device-specific requirements or memory. |
| -222          | Data out of range       | Indicates a legal data was parsed but could not be executed because of the interpreted value was outside the legal range defined by the analyzer. The displayed results may be clipped.                          |
| -220          | No matched module       | Indicates no matched measurement or mode found.  |

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|------|---|--|
| Code | Error Message                               | Description  |
| -200 | Execution error                             | This is a generic execution error for devices that cannot detect more specific errors. The code indicates on those execution errors defined in IEEE 488.2, 11.5.1.1.4 has occurred.  |
| -171 | Invalid expression                          | Indicates the data element was invalid, for example, unmatched parentheses, or an illegal character.   |
| -144 | Character data too long                     | Indicates the character data contained more than 12 characters. (see IEEE 488.2, 7.7.1.4)  |
| 764  | Unable to save file                         | Indicates a failure occurred while saving a file. The file was not saved.  |
| 762  | Unable to load file                         | Indicates a failure occurred while load-<br>ing a file. The file was not loaded.   |
| 612  | File NOT found                              | Indicates the analyzer could not find the specified file.  |
| 173  | Lame package,<br>please upgrade<br>firmware | Indicates the current firmware is not mostly updated. The firmware needs upgrading.  |
| 172  | Option install fail, invalid option licence | Indicates the option could not be installed, because of the invalid option licence.  |
| 171  | File loaded                                 | Indicates the file loading succeeded.  |
| 170  | The menu is unavailable in this case        | Indicates the memo is invalid in this case.  |
| 166  | Marker counter opened in fast sweep         | Indicates the counter's accuracy decreases when in fast sweep mode.  |
| 162  | Cannot open fast sweep in this case         | Indicates current settings do not allow<br>you to open fast sweep. For example,<br>currently in FFT, zero span, or any mea-<br>surement in power suite does not allow<br>fast sweep. |
| 156  | Incorrect alignment file on flash           | Indicates an invalid alignment file.   |

| Error<br>Code | Error Message                                | Description   |
|---------------|--|---|
| 153           | RF EEPROM operate fail                       | Indicates an error when writing alignment file.   |
| 152           | Alignment file oversize                      | Indicates the alignment file has error or invalid data.   |
| 151           | DSP boot fail                                | Indicates the analyzer cannot process measurement currently, wait the analyzer to reboot. If analyzer froze, try to restart the analyzer.                             |
| 150           | Mixer overload                               | Indicates the first mixer in danger. Either increase input attenuation or decrease the input signal level.  |
| 149           | Mixer saturate                               | Indicates you need to either increase the input attenuation or decrease the input signal level.   |
| 147           | Incorrect alignment data in EEPROM           | Indicates invalid alignment data occurred.  |
| 143           | Final IF overload                            | Indicates you need to either increase the input attenuation or decrease the input signal level.   |
| 138           | USB device NOT ready                         | Indicates the USB device is not detected.   |
| 136           | RBW limit to<br>30 kHz when in<br>fast sweep | Indicates the analyzer automatically couple the RBW to 30 kHz when in fast sweep mode.  |
| 130           | Meas uncal                                   | Indicates the measurement is uncalibrated due to fast sweeping through a narrow RBW filter. Check the sweep time, span, and bandwidth settings, or use auto coupling. |
| 119           | RF Board Changed                             | Indicates the RF board was changed,<br>the analyzer needs re-load the align-<br>ment data.  |
| 116           | Cannot communicate with RF                   | Indicates the MCU cannot find the RF board.   |

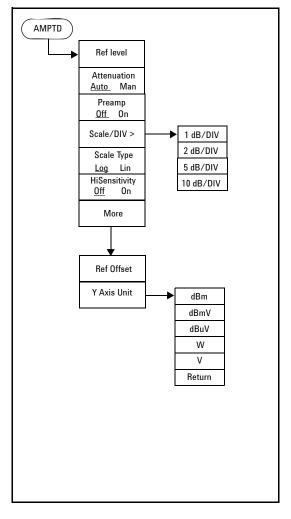
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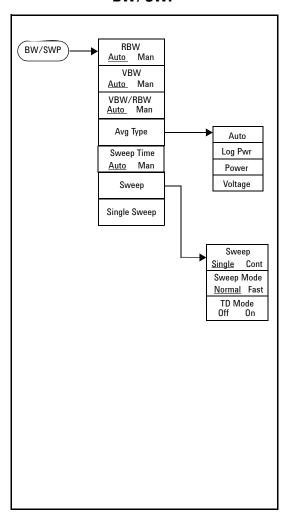
This chapter contains Menu Maps that visually present the menus and submenus that are accessed by pressing the Hardkeys and Softkey menu selections in the instrument.

This is a quick reference guide for the experienced user.

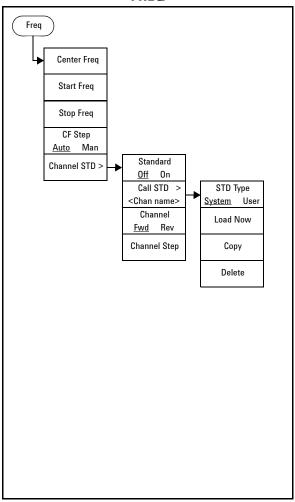
# **AMPTD**



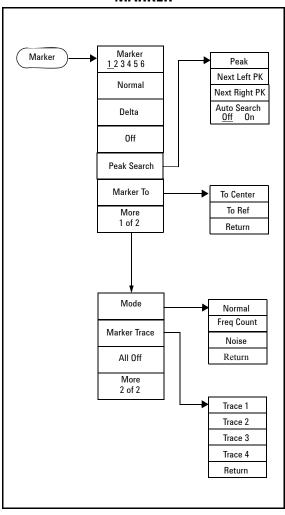
### **BW/SWP**



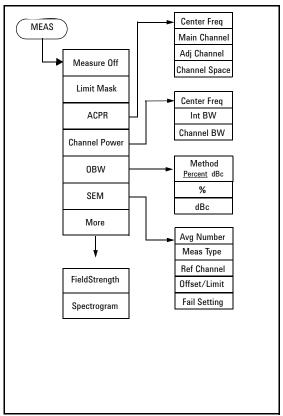
# **FREQ**



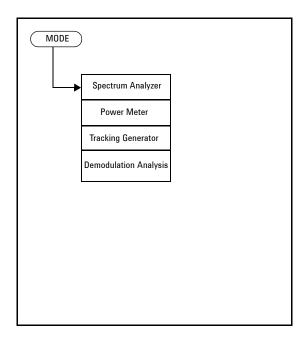
### **MARKER**



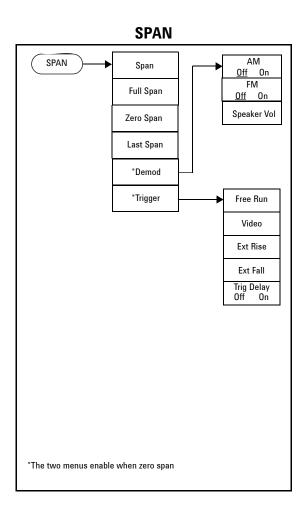
### **MEAS**



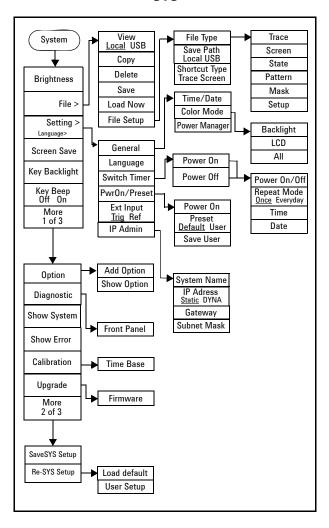
# **MODE**



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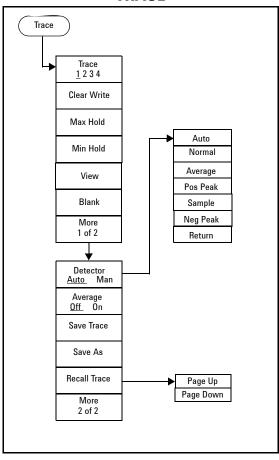


### SYS

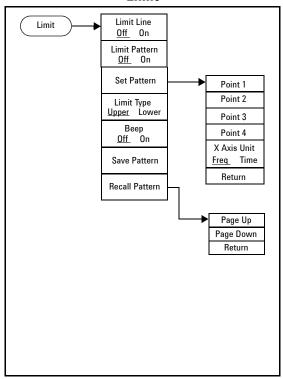


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# **TRACE**



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Model Number: N9340B

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IEC 61326:2002/ EN 61326:1997+A1:1998 +A2:2001+A3:2003

Reference Standards

CISPR 11:1990 / EN 55011:1990 Class A Group 1 4 kV/4 kV contact/air IEC 61000-4-2:1995 / EN 61000-4-2:1995 IEC 61000-4-3:1995 / EN 61000-4-3/1996 3 V/m, 80-1000 MHz

IEC 61000-4-4:1995 / EN 61000-4-4:1995 0.5 kV signal lines, 1 kV power lines IEC 61000-4-5:1995 / EN 61000-4-5:1995 0.5 kV line-line, 1 kV line-ground IEC 61000-4-6:1996 / EN 61000-4-6:1996 3 V, 0.15-80 MHz

IEC 61000-4-8:1993 / EN 61000-4-8:1993

30 A/m (only on sensitive equipment)

IEC 61000-4-11:1994 / EN 61000-4-11:1994 1 cycle, >95%

Canada: ICES-001:2004

Australia/New Zealand: AS/NZS CISPR 11:2004

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Safety

IEC 61010-1:2001 / EN 61010-1:2001 Canada: CAN/CSA-C22.2 No. 61010-1-04,

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