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#### 1 Scope

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### 3 Terminology Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

#### 3.1

##### linear (power) gain $G_{lin}$

power gain in the linear region of the power transfer curve  $P_o$  (dBm) =  $f(P_i)$

NOTE In this region,  $\Delta P_o$  (dBm) =  $\Delta P_i$  (dBm).

#### 3.2

##### linear (power) gain flatness $\Delta G_{lin}$

power gain flatness when the operating point lies in the linear region of the power transfer curve

#### 3.3

##### power gain $G_p, G$

ratio of the output power to the input power

NOTE Usually the power gain is expressed in decibels.

#### 3.4

##### (power) gain flatness $\Delta G_p$

difference between the maximum and minimum power gain for a specified input power in a specified frequency range

#### 3.5

##### (maximum available) gain reduction $\Delta G_{red}$

difference in decibels between the maximum and minimum power gains that can be provided by the gain control

### 3.6 Output power limiting

#### 3.6.1

##### output power limiting range

range in which, for rising input power, the output power is limiting

NOTE For specification purposes, the limits of this range are specified by specified lower and upper limit values for the input power.

#### 3.6.2

##### limiting output power $P_{o(ltg)}$

output power in the range where it is limiting

#### 3.6.3

##### limiting output power flatness $\Delta P_{o(ltg)}$

difference between the maximum and minimum output power in the output power limiting range:

$$\Delta P_{o(ltg)} = P_{o(ltg,max)} - P_{o(ltg,min)}$$

#### 3.7

##### intermodulation distortion

$\frac{P_n}{P_i}$   $\frac{P_n}{P_1}$

ratio of ~~the output power of~~ the  $n$ th order component to the output power of the fundamental component, ~~at a specified input of the output power~~

Note 1 to entry: The abbreviation “ $IMD_n$ ” is in common use for the  $n$ th order intermodulation distortion.