Lab4_NF_Preliminary_Group1

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1 Preparation for Lab 4 from Group 1 (Wörner, Velez, Northe)

The source code and the binaries from this report can be found in our Github repository.

1.0.1 Import libs

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[74]: import numpy as np from scipy.constants import Boltzmann
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1.0.2 Helper constants and functions

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[75]: k_B = Boltzmann
                          # Boltzman constant
      db2lin = lambda db: 10**(db / 10)
      lin2db = lambda g: 10 * np.log10(g)
      lin2dBm = lambda g: lin2db(g/1e-3)
      def scientific_2_str(value: float, unit: str = "\Omega") -> str:
          prefixes = [
              (1e9, 'G'),
              (1e6, 'M'),
              (1e3, 'k'),
              (1, ''),
              (1e-3, 'm'),
              (1e-6, '\mu'),
              (1e-9, 'n'),
              (1e-12, 'p')
          ]
          for factor, prefix in prefixes:
              if abs(value) >= factor:
                  formatted = value / factor
                  return f"{formatted:.3g} {prefix}{unit}"
          return f"{value:.3g} {unit}" # fallback for very small values
```

1.1 3.1 Exercise 1

Given values are

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[76]: P_s_ref = 23  # [dBm] desired signal level
P_n = 6  # [dbm] noise level
Att = 15  # [dB] attenuation

G_amp = 18  # [dB] Gain amplifier
NF_amp = 3  # [db] Noise Figure amplifier

T_0 = 290  # [K] Room Temperature

[77]: P_s_lin = db2lin(P_s_ref)
P_n_lin = db2lin(P_n)
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[77]: P_s_lin = db2lin(P_s_ref)
P_n_lin = db2lin(P_n)
Att_lin = db2lin(Att)

G_amp_lin = db2lin(G_amp)
NF_amp_lin = db2lin(NF_amp)
```

Amp before line

SNR at input: 17.00 dB SNR after LNA->Line output: 13.05 dB

Amp after line

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print(f"SNR at input: {SNR_i:.2f} dB")
print(f"SNR after Line->LNA output: {SNR_o:.2f} dB")
print(f"NF of Line {NF} dB")
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SNR at input: 17.00 dB
SNR after Line->LNA output: -1.00 dB
NF of Line 18.0 dB
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Justification: As we can see is the G_{LNA} in the second case unused, therefore we are basically just subtracting the NF_{Line} from our Signal.

1.2 3.2 Exercise 2

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[80]: T_A
                 = 150  # [K] equivalent temp of antenna
                 = 10e6 # [Hz] BW of IF signal
     BW_IF
     # LNA
                      # [dB]
     G_amp
                 = 10
                        # [dB]
     F_a
                = 2
     # Bandpass Filter
     L_bpf
              = 1
                        # [dB]
     # Mixer values
     L_{mix} = 3  # [dB]

F_{mix} = 4  # [dB]
     SNR_min = 20
                        # [dB]
     Z_0
                 = 50
                        # [Ohm]
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[81]: G_amp_lin = db2lin(G_amp)
F_a_lin = db2lin(F_a)
L_bpf_lin = db2lin(L_bpf)
L_mix_lin = db2lin(L_mix)
F_mix_lin = db2lin(F_mix)
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N_0_db = lin2dBm(N_0)
print(f"Output Noise Power: {scientific_2_str(N_0_db, "dBm")}")
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Noise power Antenna: -107 dBm Output Noise Power: -104 dBm

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[83]: SNR_min_lin = db2lin(SNR_min)

P_signal = SNR_min_lin * N_0
V = np.sqrt(P_signal * Z_0)

print(f"Min. Voltage required for {SNR_min} is {scientific_2_str(V, "V")}")
```

Min. Voltage required for 20 is 13.7 μV

1.3 3.3 Exercise 3

Insert solution here

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[84]: G_DUT
                = 14
                            # [dB]
     G_{lna}
                = 40
                            # [dB]
     F_{lna}
                = 2
                            # [dB]
     RBW
                = 10
                          # [Hz]
                          # [dBm]
     P_1GHz
               = -145
               = -82.92 # [dBm]
     N 1
                = -73.42
     N_2
                           # [dBm]
     T_0
                = 290
                            # [K]
                        # [dB] @ 1GHz
     ENR
                = 13.03
     f_{meas}
                = 1e9
                            # [Hz] Frequency of meassurement
```

Y-Factor: 9.50 dB

Internal noise power of DUT @1 GHz: -146.45 dBm

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[]: F_lna_lin = db2lin(F_lna)
G_DUT_lin = db2lin(G_DUT)

F_sys_lin = ENR_lin / (Y_lin - 1)
F_sys = lin2db(F_sys_lin)
print(f"Total F of DUT + Meassurement-Equipment: {F_sys:.2f} dB")

F_DUT = F_sys_lin - (F_lna_lin - 1) / G_DUT_lin
NF_DUT = lin2db(F_DUT)
print(f"NF of DUT {NF_DUT:.2f} dB")

# G_1 = (N_2 - N_1) / (9)
```

Total F of DUT + Meassurement-Equipment: 4.05 dB F of DUT 4.01 dB

1.4 3.4 Exercise 4

Name four important points when building a noise source

- Amplification of noise or more specifiv Resulting output noise power
- Bandwidth/Wideband characteristic -> uniformity across the specified frequency bandwidth
- Matching characteristics across bandwidth for optimal power transfer
- Thermal stability -> stability of the noise and behaviour across a temperature band
- 1.- Component Selection: Choose components like noise diodes or zener diodes that generate broadband white noise to ensure uniform behavior across the desired frequency range.
- 2.- Thermal Stability: Use thermally stable components or incorporate temperature compensation to prevent output noise level changes due to temperature variations.
- 3.- Impedance Matching: Match the output impedance (typically $50\,\Omega$) between components of the noise source to minimize signal reflections and maximize power transfer.
- 4.- Shielding and Grounding: Proper shielding and grounding to prevent electromagnetic interference, ensuring a clean and stable noise signal output.