

## OVERVIEW OF METHODS FOR MEASURING S-PARAMETERS OF MICROWAVE TRANSISTORS IN BIG SIGNAL MODE

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In the microwave range for measurement S-parameters of transistors they widely use the methods that do not adequately measure the S-parameters of transistors. It is necessary to identify the most effective method, among the methods of measuring the S-parameters of transistors, by identifying the advantages and disadvantages of the considered methods.

The article considers in chronological order: two-signal method of measurement of S-parameters of transistors, modification of this method and, developed on their basis, the method of adequate measurement of S-parameters of such devices. The methods are implemented by a coaxial simulator-analyzer of amplifiers and microwave autogenerators in both coordinated and non-coordinated with load measuring channels of this simulator-analyzer.

The scope of application and interrelation of the considered methods with indication of their advantages and disadvantages are analyzed. The technique of normalization of the transistor S-parameters and complex reflection coefficients of its loads measured in the coaxial measuring path of the simulator-analyzer, relative to the microstrip path, in which this device will be used during its operation, is also considered.

**Key words:** S-parameters, adequate measurement, two-signal measurement method, technical specification, coaxial simulator-analyzer, mathematical model, calibration, amplifiers, autogenerators.

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