

RF Design - IP3

Exercise 1: If the two input frequencies are 150 and 155 MHz, what are the frequencies of the third-order products? If these two frequencies represent the lower and upper frequencies of a channel, what is the channel bandwidth? Where would the third-order products fall relative to the adjacent channel?

$(\sin(x) + \sin(y))^3$ ← Third-order products

$$\frac{1}{4} (-3 \sin(x - 2y) + 3 \sin(2x - y) - 3 \sin(2x + y) - 3 \sin(x + 2y) + 9 \sin(x) - \sin(3x) + 9 \sin(y) - \sin(3y))$$

$\overset{3 \sin(2y - x)}{=} \frac{1}{4} (-3 \sin(x - 2y) + 3 \sin(2x - y) - 3 \sin(2x + y) - 3 \sin(x + 2y) + 9 \sin(x) - \sin(3x) + 9 \sin(y) - \sin(3y))$

Exercise 2: An amplifier has an OIP3 of 30dBm. If it is required that the adjacent channel power be 30dB below the in-channel power, what is the maximum output power we should try to get from this amplifier?

30 dBm

∴ should not output > 15 dBm.

30 dBm
 ↓ 15 dB = Δ
 15 dBm
 ↓ 30 dB = 2Δ
 -15 dBm