
Derivation for 3rd-order intercept point for two cascaded stages

$$OIM_{3T1} = 3 \cdot (P_o - G_2) - 2 \cdot OIP_{31} + G_2 \quad // \text{ Output power intermodulation due to stage 1.}$$

$$OIM_{3T1} = 3 \cdot P_o - 2 \cdot OIP_{31} - 2 \cdot G_2 \quad // \text{ Output power intermodulation due to stage 1.}$$

$$OIM_{3T2} = 3 \cdot P_o - 2 \cdot OIP_{32} \quad // \text{ Output power intermodulation due to stage 2.}$$

The composite output intermodulation voltage is

$$OIV_{3T} = 10^{\left(\frac{3 \cdot P_o - 2 \cdot OIP_{31} - 2 \cdot G_2}{20}\right)} + 10^{\left(\frac{3 \cdot P_o - 2 \cdot OIP_{32}}{20}\right)} \quad // \text{ Convert to voltages and combine}$$

$$OIV_{3T} = 10^{\frac{3 \cdot P_o}{20}} \left\{ 10^{\left(\frac{-2 \cdot OIP_{31} - 2 \cdot G_2}{20}\right)} + 10^{\left(\frac{-2 \cdot OIP_{32}}{20}\right)} \right\} \quad // \text{ Factor out the } P_o \text{ term}$$

$$OIV_{3T} = 10^{\frac{3 \cdot P_o}{20}} \left\{ 10^{\left(\frac{-(OIP_{31} + G_2)}{10}\right)} + 10^{\left(\frac{-OIP_{32}}{10}\right)} \right\}$$

The composite output intermodulation power is

$$OIM_3 = 20 \cdot \text{Log}(OIV_{3T}) \quad // \text{ Convert back to power}$$

$$OIM_3 = 3 \cdot P_o + 20 \cdot \text{Log} \left\{ 10^{\left(\frac{-(OIP_{31} + G_2)}{10}\right)} + 10^{\left(\frac{-OIP_{32}}{10}\right)} \right\}$$

The effective output intercept point is

$$OIP_3 = \frac{3 \cdot P_o - OIM_3}{2}$$

$$OIP_3 = -10 \cdot \text{Log} \left\{ 10^{\left(\frac{-(OIP_{31} + G_2)}{10}\right)} + 10^{\left(\frac{-OIP_{32}}{10}\right)} \right\}$$

Derivation for 2nd-order intercept point for two cascaded stages

$$OIM_{2T1} = 2 \cdot (P_o - G_2) - OIP_{21} + G_2 \quad // \text{ Output power intermodulation due to stage 1.}$$

$$OIM_{2T1} = 2 \cdot P_o - OIP_{21} - G_2 \quad // \text{ Output power intermodulation due to stage 1.}$$

$$OIM_{2T2} = 2 \cdot P_o - OIP_{22} \quad // \text{ Output power intermodulation due to stage 2.}$$

The composite output intermodulation voltage is

$$OIV_{2T} = 10^{\left(\frac{2 \cdot P_o - OIP_{21} - G_2}{20}\right)} + 10^{\left(\frac{2 \cdot P_o - OIP_{22}}{20}\right)} \quad // \text{ Convert to voltages and combine}$$

$$OIV_{2T} = 10^{\frac{2 \cdot P_o}{20}} \left\{ 10^{\left(\frac{-OIP_{21} - G_2}{20}\right)} + 10^{\left(\frac{-OIP_{22}}{20}\right)} \right\} \quad // \text{ Factor out the } P_o \text{ term}$$

The composite output intermodulation power is

$$OIM_2 = 20 \cdot \text{Log}(OIV_{2T}) \quad // \text{ Convert back to power}$$

$$OIM_2 = 2 \cdot P_o + 20 \cdot \text{Log} \left\{ 10^{\left(\frac{-OIP_{21} + G_2}{20}\right)} + 10^{\left(\frac{-OIP_{22}}{20}\right)} \right\}$$

The effective output intercept point is

$$OIP_2 = 2 \cdot P_o - OIM_2$$

$$OIP_2 = -20 \cdot \text{Log} \left\{ 10^{\left(\frac{-OIP_{21} + G_2}{20}\right)} + 10^{\left(\frac{-OIP_{22}}{20}\right)} \right\}$$