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# CHS Avalanchers plot magnitude code
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# Import the necessary libraries
import pynanovna, math, keyboard
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

# Initialize the VNA serial link
vna = pynanovna.VNA()

#Sets frequency range and number of points to sweep
vna.set_sweep(850, 900, 101)

# set the dB calibration to  $-\infty$ 
dBCalibrate = -math.inf

# create blank arrays to differentiate the complex64 int parts
real = []
imaginary = []

# initialize VNA data stream and add condition to start
# data analysis
stream = vna.stream()
hasCalibd = False

# enable interactive plot
plt.ion()

# for all collected parameters in the VNA stream
for s11, s21, frequencies in stream:

    # if the C key on the keyboard is pressed, init
    # calibration for the VNA and declare that hasCalibd
    if keyboard.is_pressed('c'):
        # extract real and imaginary number parts
        real = np.real(s21)
        imaginary = np.imag(s21)

        # this is the equivalent of  $|S21| = \sqrt{\text{Re}\{S21\}^2 + \text{Im}\{S21\}^2}$ 
        # unlike a Friis gain equation, this calculates magnitude instead
        # of expected loss.
        dBCalibrate = np.sqrt(np.add(np.square(real), np.square(imaginary)))
        hasCalibd = True

# once a initial calibration has been taken,

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# start plotting data asap
if hasCalibd:
    # extract real and imaginary number parts
    realAfterCalib = np.real(s21)
    imaginaryAfterCalib = np.imag(s21)

    # equivalent of  $|S_{21}| = \sqrt{\text{Re}\{S_{21}\}^2 + \text{Im}\{S_{21}\}^2}$ 
    dBMeasure = np.sqrt(np.add(np.square(realAfterCalib), np.square(imaginaryAfterCalib)))
    dBDisplay = dBMeasure - dBCalibrate

    # this is a measure of the average amplitude (of magnitude)
    # over the dBDisplay time.
    RMSDisplay = np.sqrt(np.sum(np.square(dBDisplay)))

# initializes plot
plt.clf()
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))

# plots out the magnitude, raw frequency, and s21 relative to different frequencies.
plt.plot(dBDisplay, 'r', label='|s21| magnitude')
plt.plot(frequencies/850, 'b-', label='measured s21 (raw freq)')
plt.plot(frequencies/850, dBDisplay, 'g-', label='measured s21 rel. to display')
plt.plot(frequencies/850, dBCalibrate, 'y-', label='measured s21 rel. to calibrate')
plt.plot(frequencies/850, dBMeasure, 'm-', label='measured s21 rel. to last measure')
plt.xlabel("Frequency (MHz)")
plt.ylabel("Magnitude (dB)")
plt.title("Average magnitude (dB): " RMSDisplay)

# draws the plot
plt.draw()
plt.pause(0.01)

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