

EMI DEBUGGING DESIGNING YOUR IDEAL FILTER

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WÜRTH ELEKTRONIK MORE THAN YOU EXPECT

Agenda

- Reducing EMI
- Filter basics
- Inductive EMC solutions
 - Material properties
 - Common mode chokes
 - Cable ferrites
- Capacitive EMC solutions
 - Safety capacitors
- Design your filter
 - Common mode
 - Differential mode

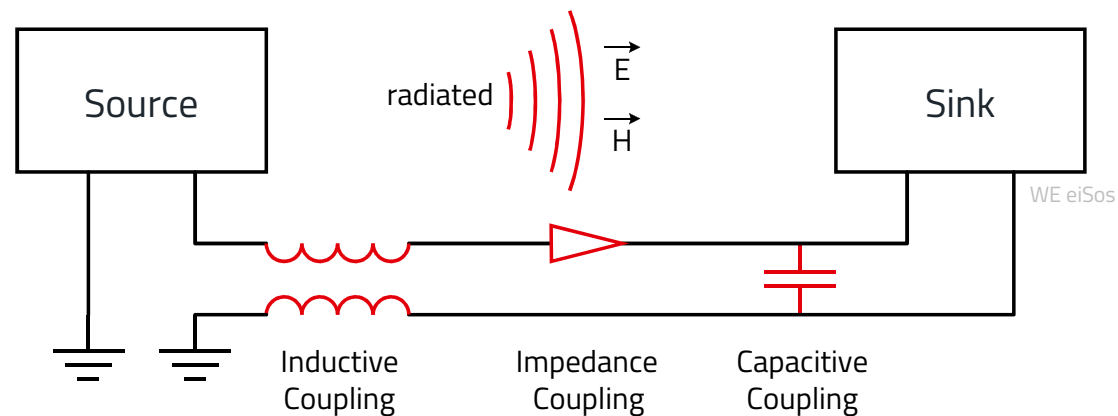


WHAT CAN I DO TO PASS THE EMC TEST?

Reducing EMI

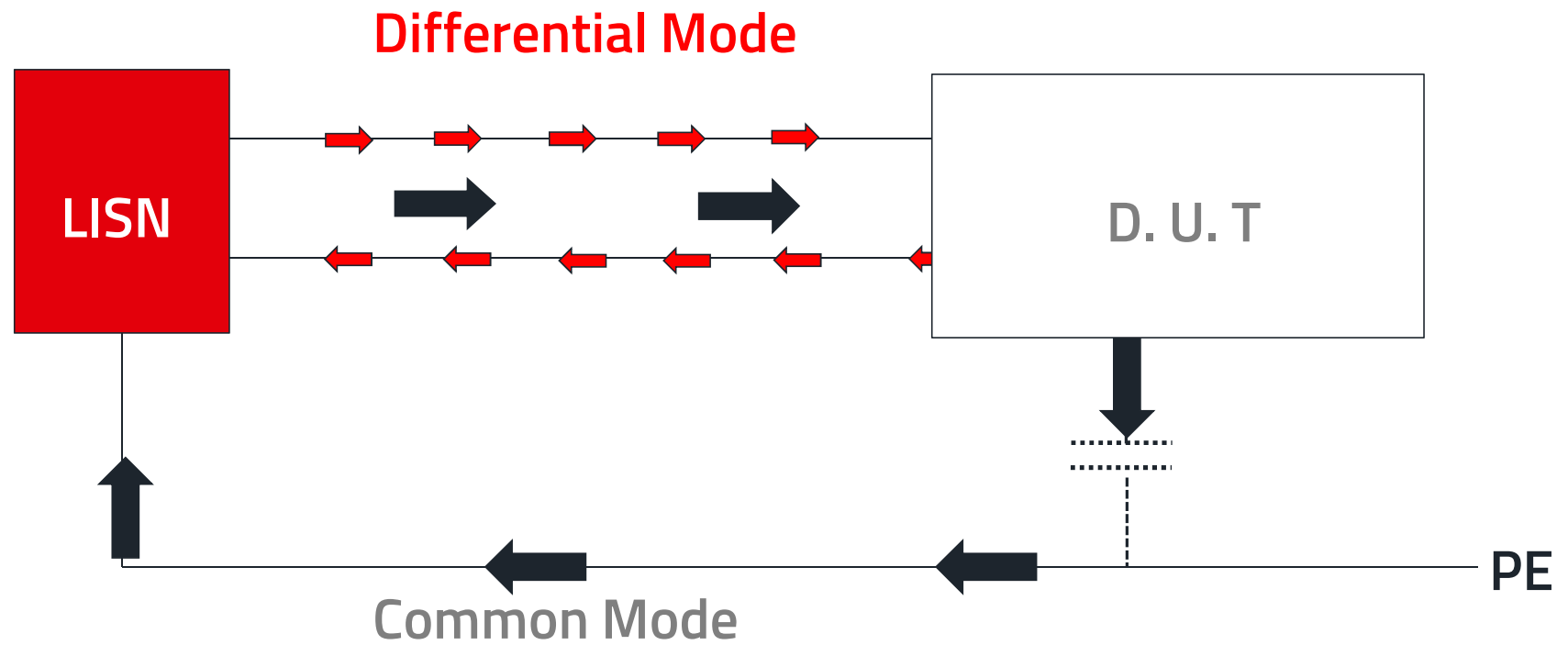
Measures to take & coupling paths

- Sufficient EMC can be achieved by suited measures at the noise source, coupling path or sink.
 - **Primary Measure** Reduce emission from noise source
 - **Secondary Measure** Break coupling paths
 - **Tertiary Measure** Increase immunity of the sink



Reducing EMI

Common versus Differential mode



Reducing EMI

Common versus Differential mode

■ **Differential mode currents**

- Current path as in circuit diagram
- Easy to follow paths
- Return current path very close
- Relatively large currents
- Conducted EMI problem

■ **Common mode currents**

- Current path unexpected
- Current via parasitic paths
- Return current path very large
- Relatively small currents (μA)
- Radiated & conducted EMI problem

Reducing EMI

- Line filters
 - High broadband attenuation for common & differential mode
 - Chassis mount
 - Certified solution



- Cable ferrites
 - Cable mount
 - Voltage & current depend on cable
 - Lower attenuation
 - Mainly common mode noise



- Design your own EMC filter
 - Tailor made solution
 - Design to be done during PCB design
 - Certification might be needed

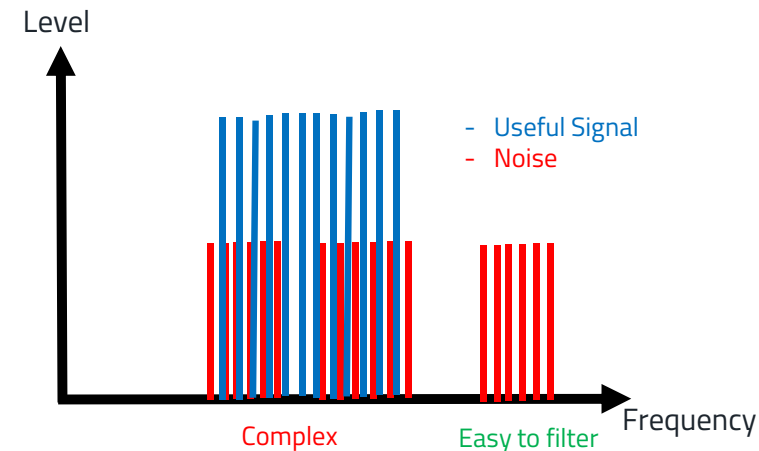


FILTER BASICS

Filter

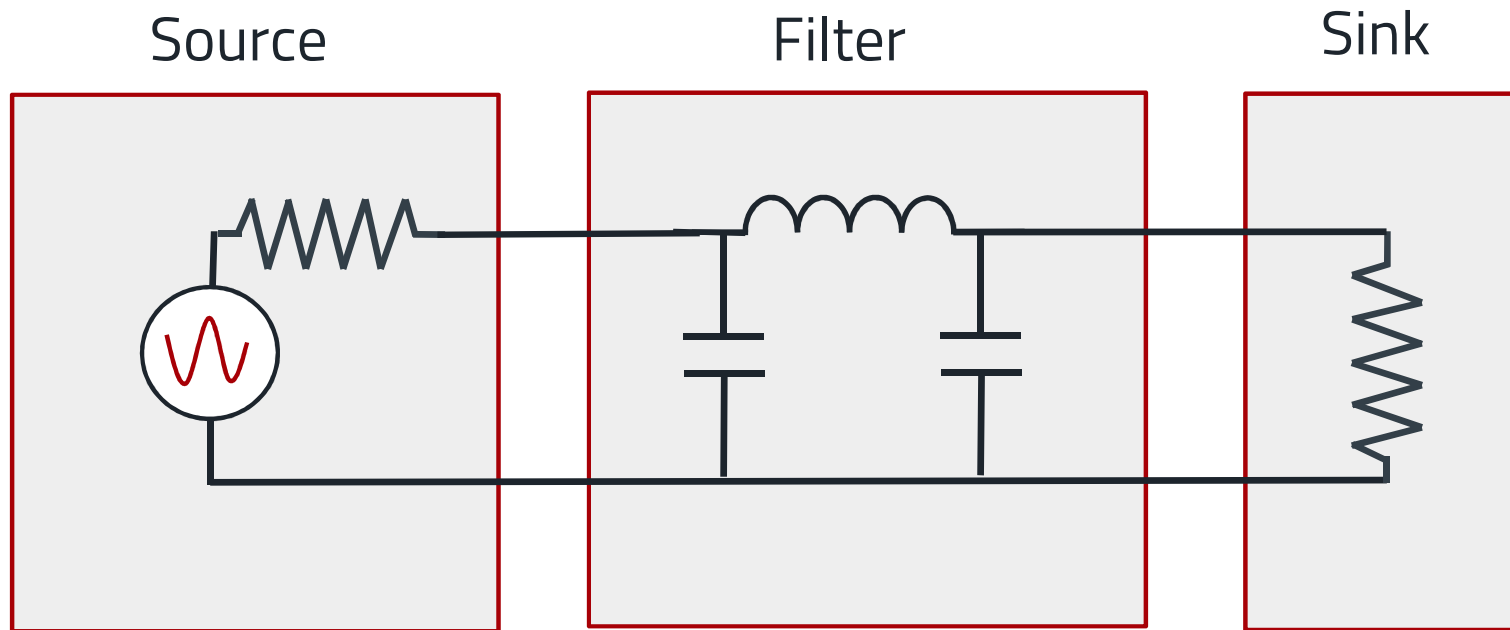
Function of a filter

- Reduction of the coupling of interferences between two points
- Lowering the emission of disturbances
- Increasing the immunity against disturbances
- Energy can not disappear. It will just be transformed in another energy form
 - → energy conservation law
 - e.g. ferrite cores transform noise energy into thermal energy
- Filter design depends on the “spectral distance”
- So we look at the filter characteristics in spectral domain.
 - Filtering can be **complex** if the spectral distance is **short**.
 - If the spectral distance is **large** enough, the design of a filter becomes **simple**.

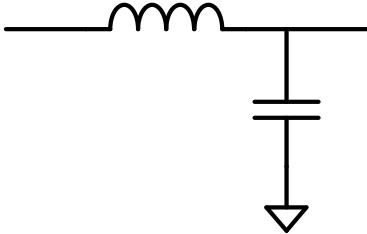
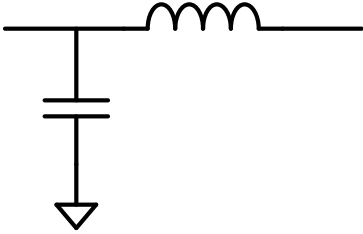
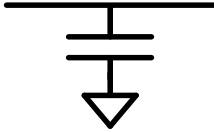


Filter topologies

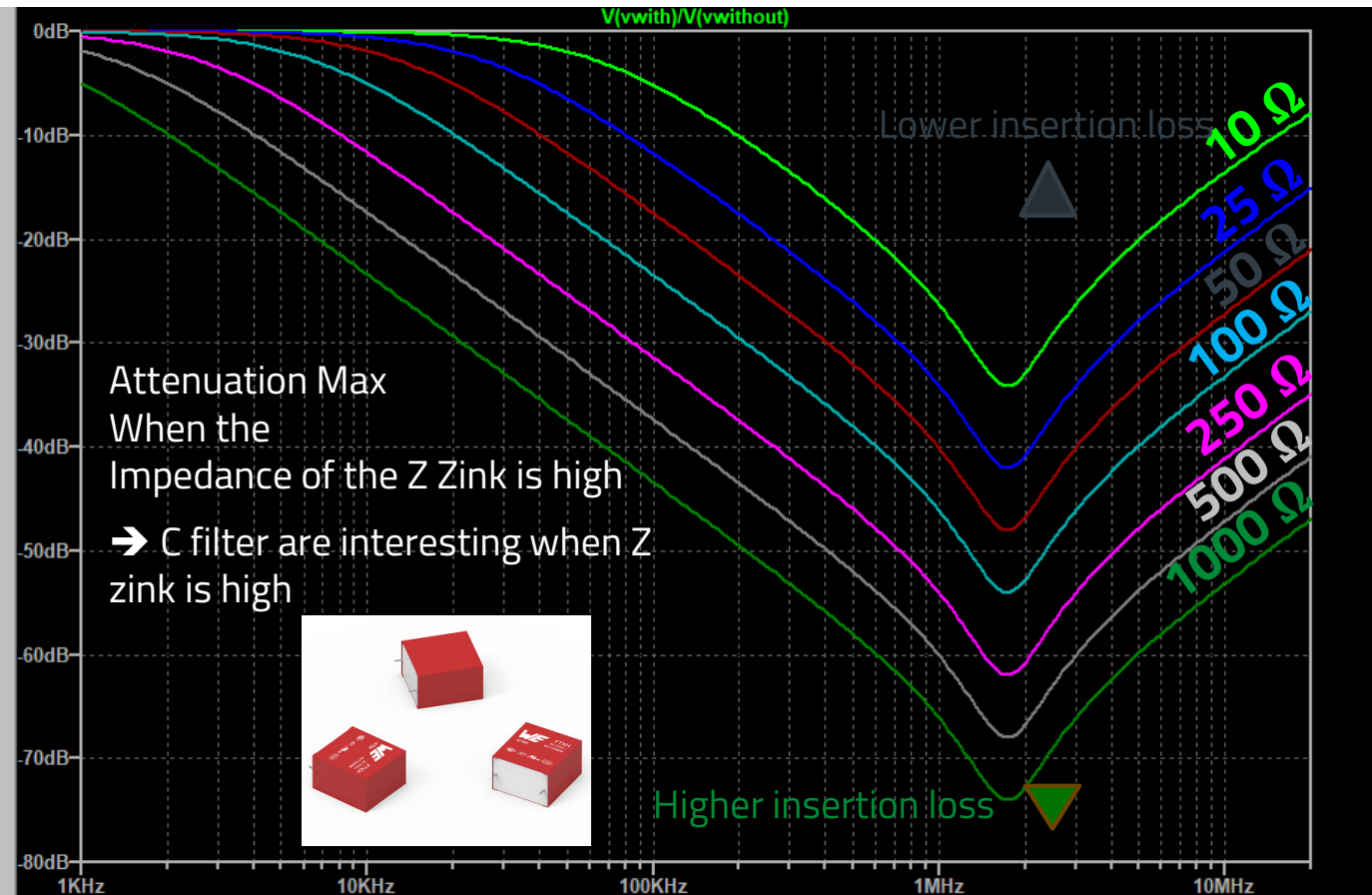
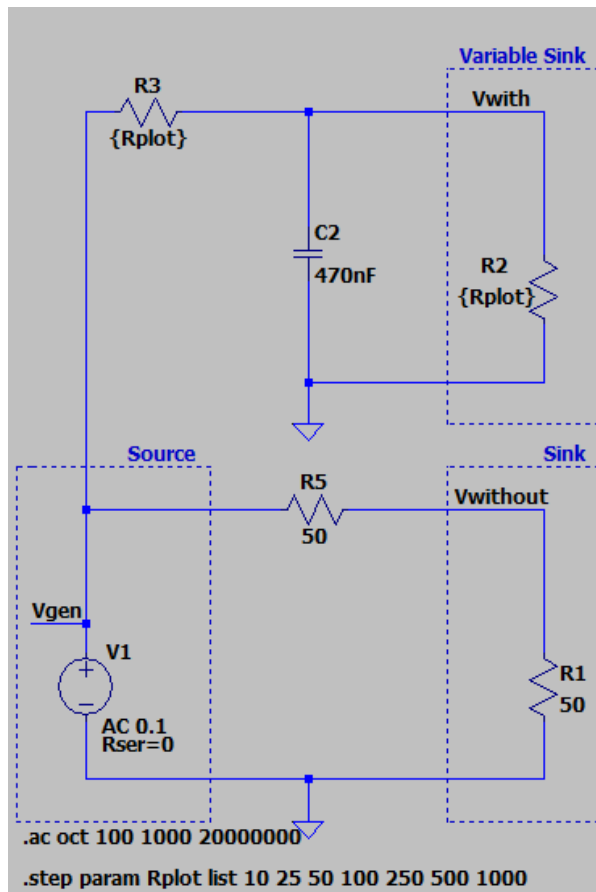
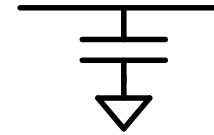
System impedance



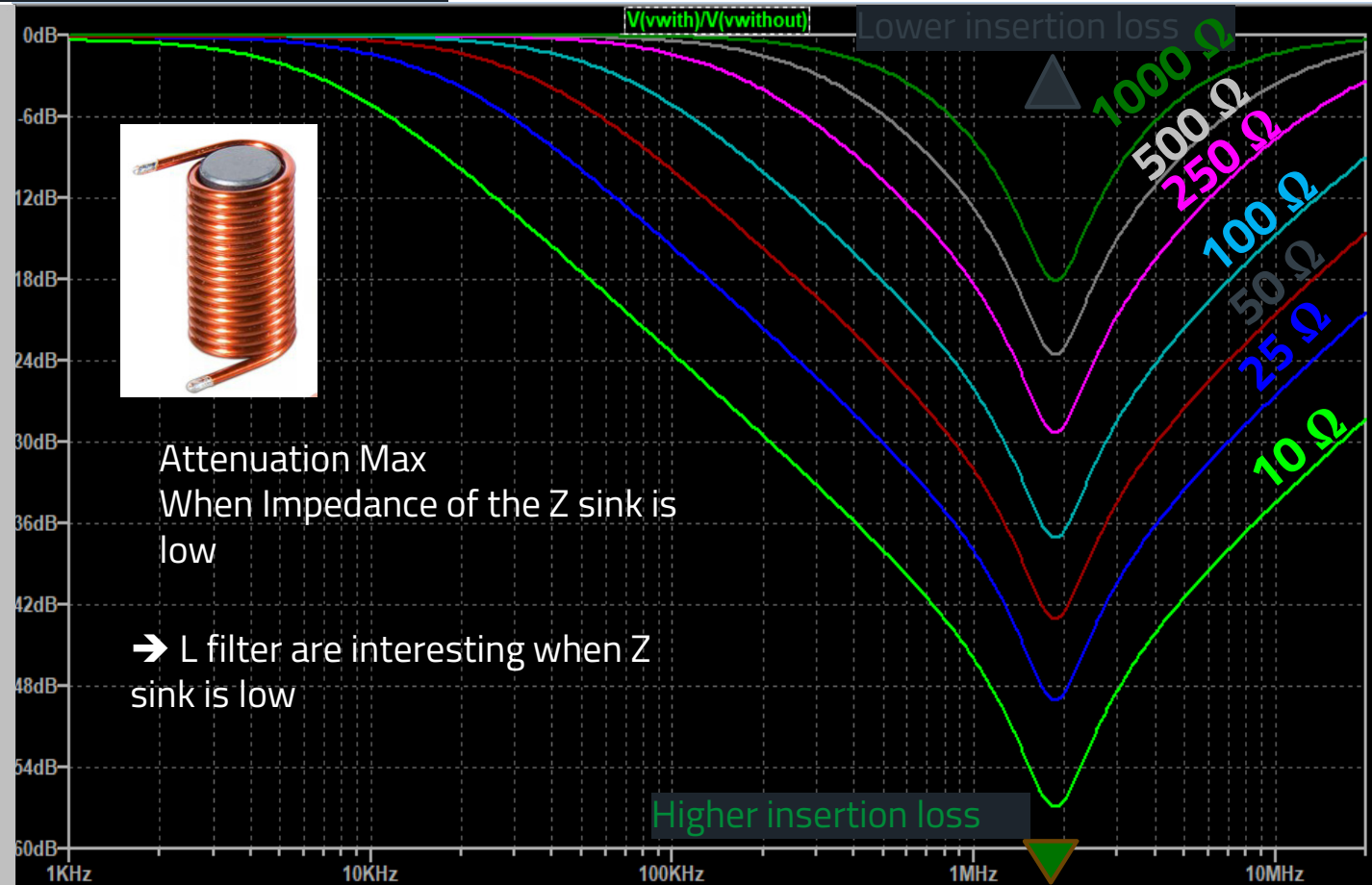
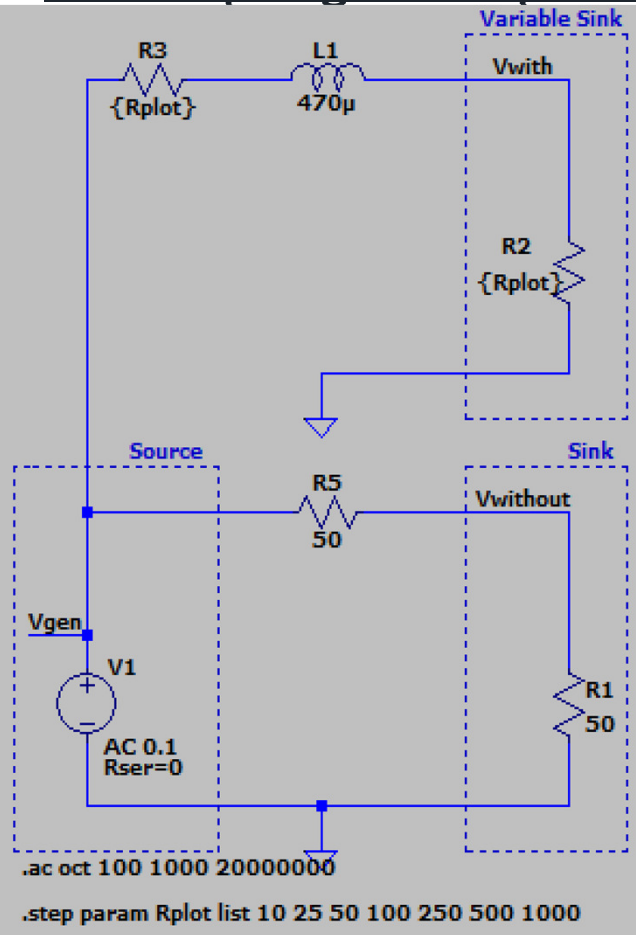
Filter topologies

$ Z_{\text{source}} $	$ Z_{\text{load}} $	Low	High
	Low		
High			

Filter topologies - Impact of system impedance

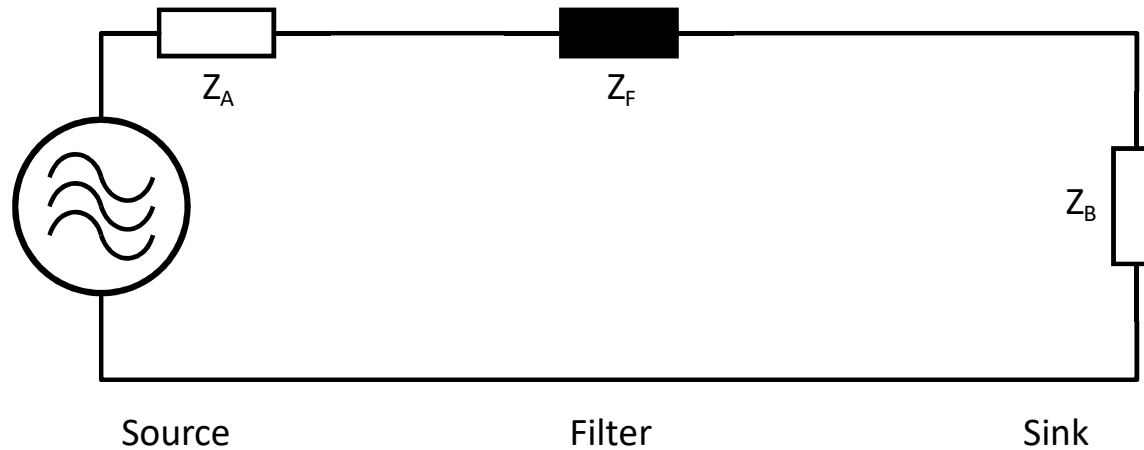


Filter topologies - Impact of system impedance



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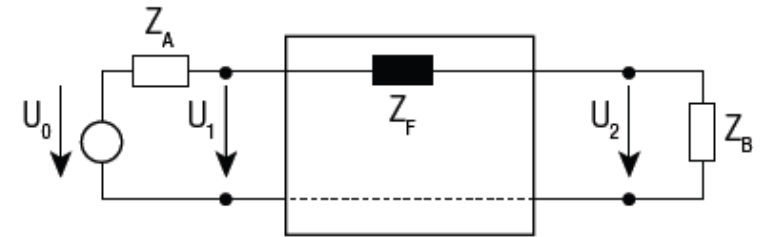
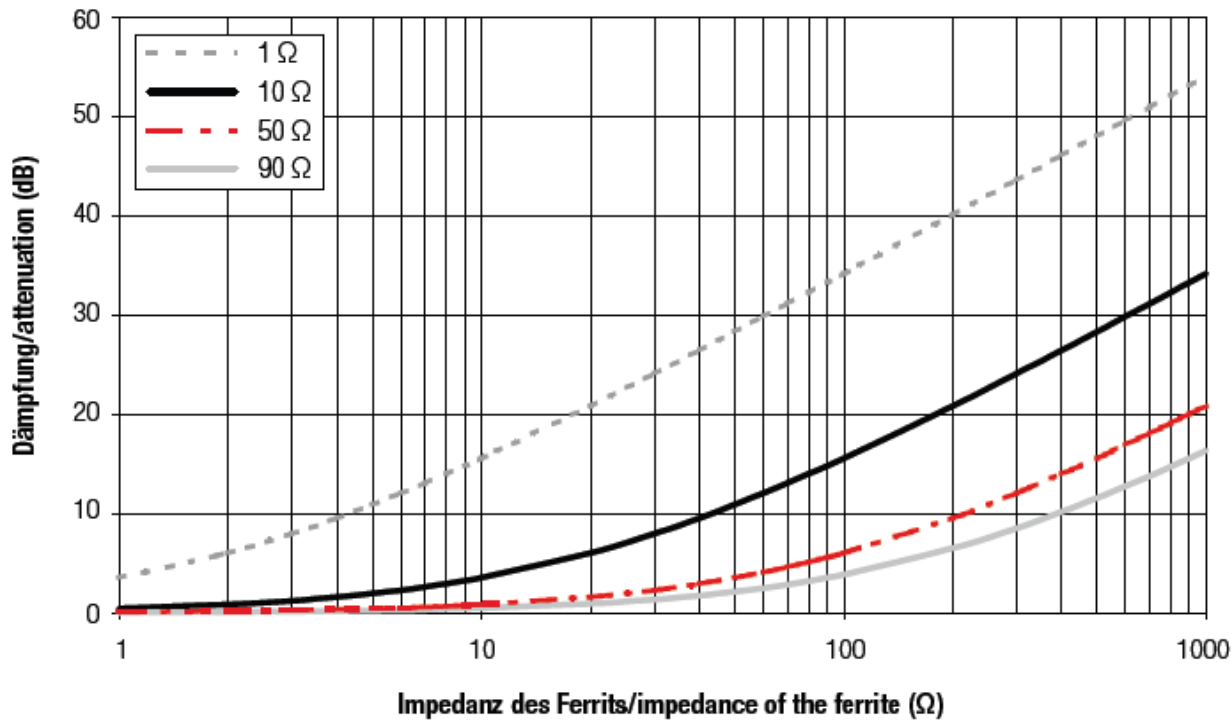
Attenuation of a filter component



- Empirical Values for system impedances (= Source and Sink)
 - Ground $1\ \Omega$
 - Power Supply $10\ \Omega$
 - Clock-, Datalines $50\ldots 90\ \Omega$
 - Long Datalines $90\ldots 150\ \Omega$

Attenuation versus impedance

dB versus Ω

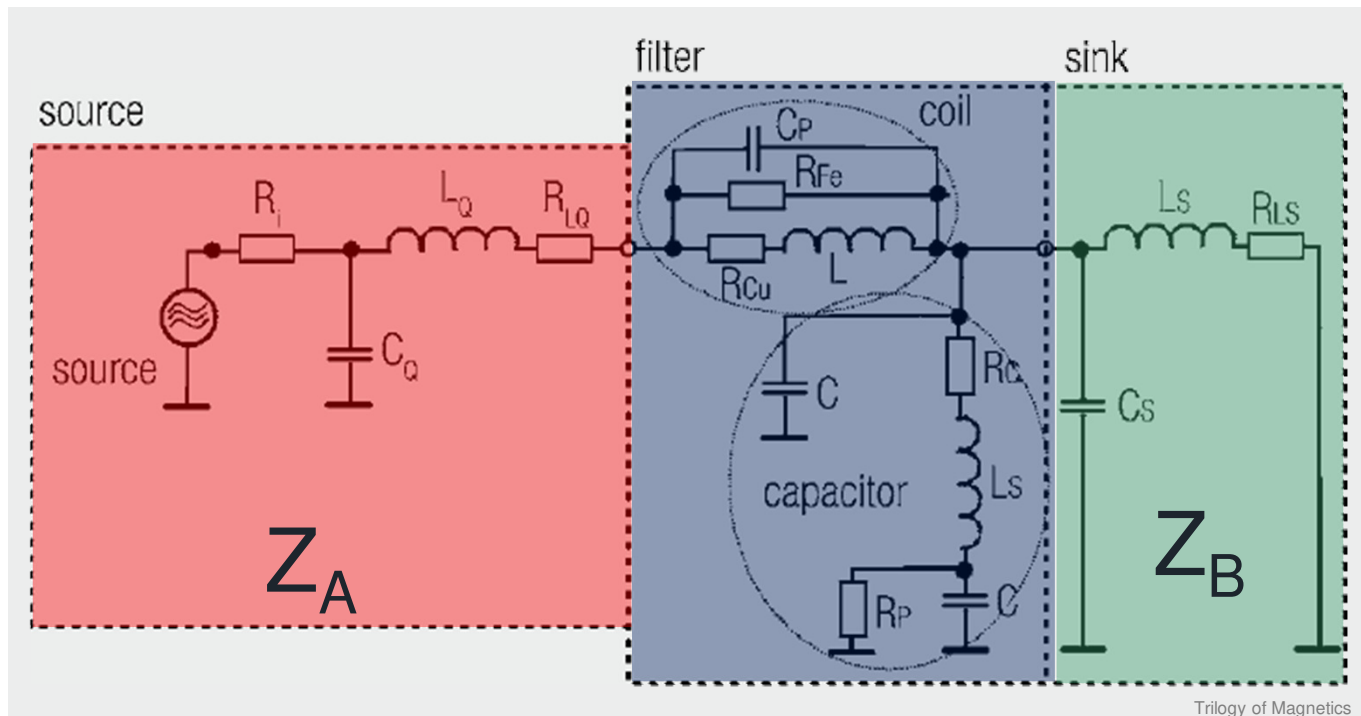


$$|A|_{dB} = 20 * \log_{10} \left(\frac{Z_A + Z_F + Z_B}{Z_A + Z_B} \right)$$

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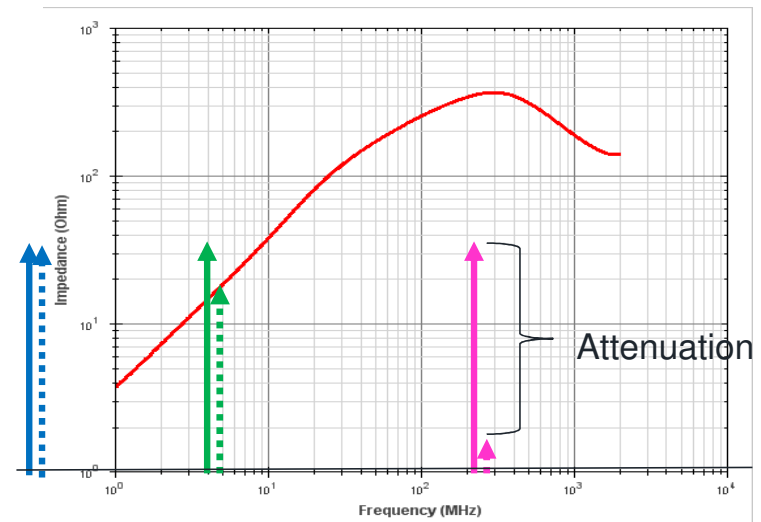
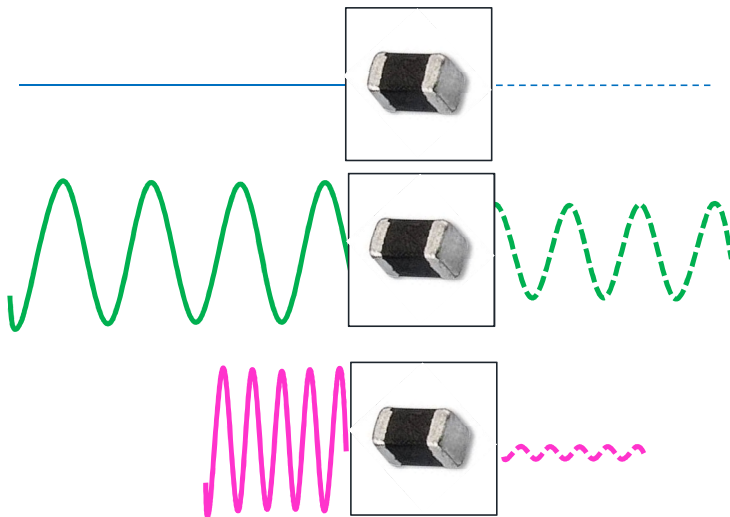
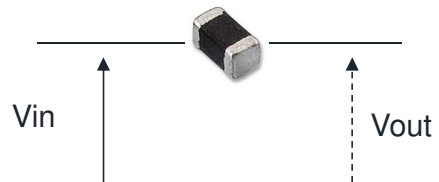
Impedance of the system

Realistic situation



INDUCTIVE EMC SOLUTIONS

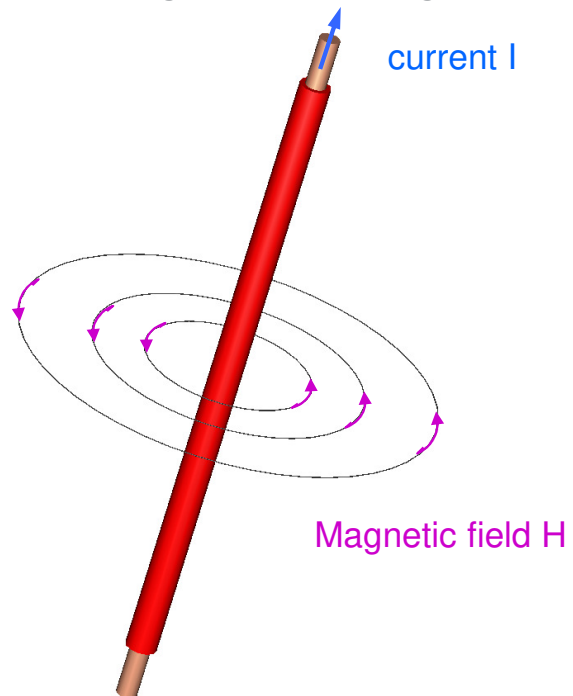
Inductive EMC solutions



Inductive EMC solutions

Magnetic field

- Each electric powered wire generates a magnetic field



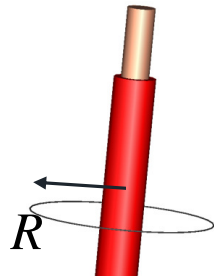
Field model



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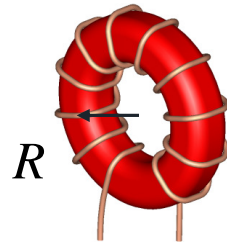
Magnetic field and flux density

Straight wire



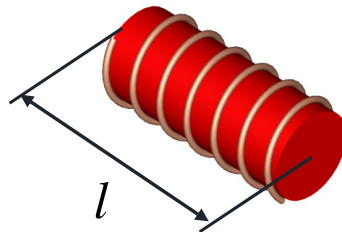
$$H = \frac{I}{2 \cdot \pi \cdot R}$$

Toroidal



$$H = \frac{N \cdot I}{2 \cdot \pi \cdot R}$$

solenoid



$$H = \frac{N \cdot I}{l}$$

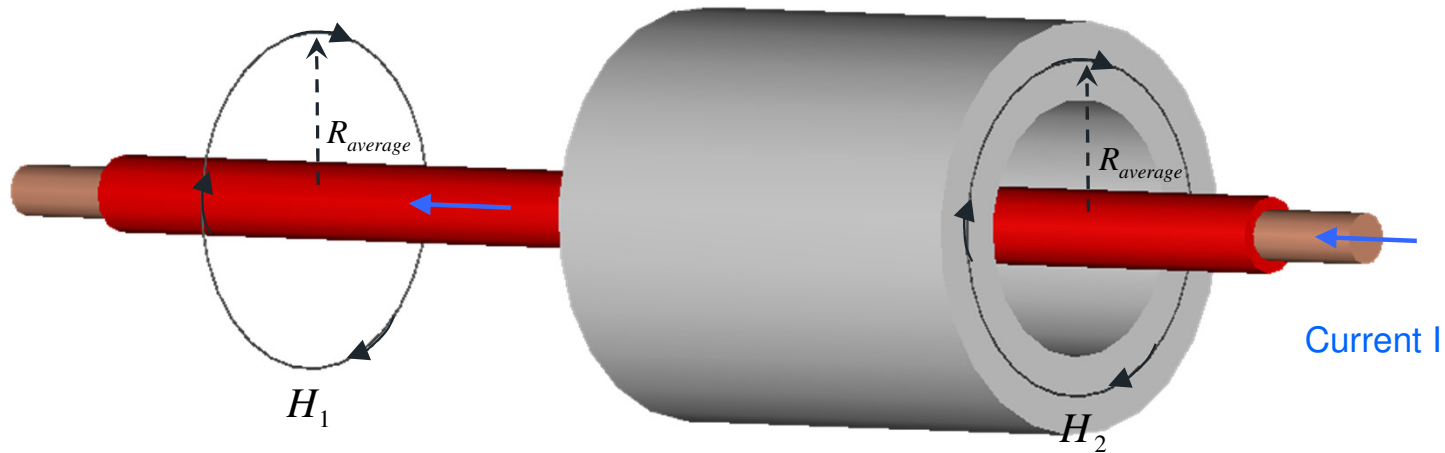
- The magnetic field strength is dependent on:
- geometries
- number of turns
- current

BUT

- **NOT ON MATERIAL**

Inductive EMC solutions

Magnetic field and flux density

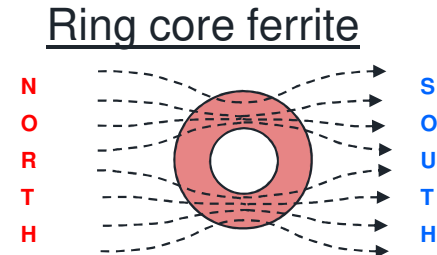
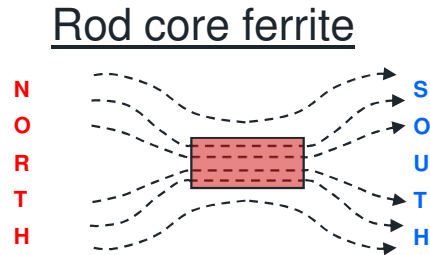
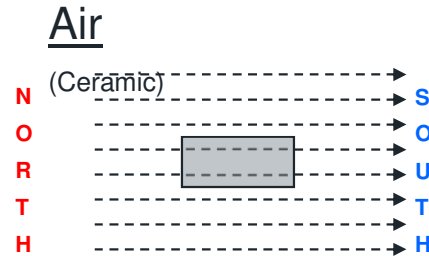


$$H_1 = H_2 = H = \frac{I}{2 \cdot \pi \cdot R_{average}}$$

$$B_1 \begin{matrix} \neq \\ ? \\ = \end{matrix} B_2$$

Inductive EMC solutions

Magnetic field and flux density



Induction in air:

$$B = \mu_0 \cdot H$$

linear function, because $\mu_r = 1 = \text{constant!}$

Induction in a ferrite:

$$B = \mu_0 \cdot \mu_r \cdot H$$

The relative permeability is a:

material-
frequency-
temperature-
current-
pressure-

-dependent parameter

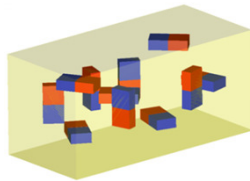
Inductive EMC solutions

Permeability

- Relative permeability
 - describes the capacity of concentration of the magnetic flux in the material

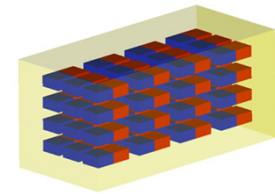
$$\mu_r = \frac{1}{\mu_0} \frac{\Delta B}{\Delta H}$$

- **Ferrite material**
 - unordered (random position)
 - soft magnetic



- Typical permeability μ_r :
- Iron Powder/ Superflux: 50 ~ 150
- Nickel Zinc (NiZn): 40 ~ 1500
- Manganese Zinc (MnZn): 300 ~ 20000

- **Permanent magnet**
 - ordered
 - hard magnetic



Permeability

Complex permeability

$$\underline{Z} = j\omega L_0 (\mu^{\perp} - j\mu^{\parallel}) = R + jX$$

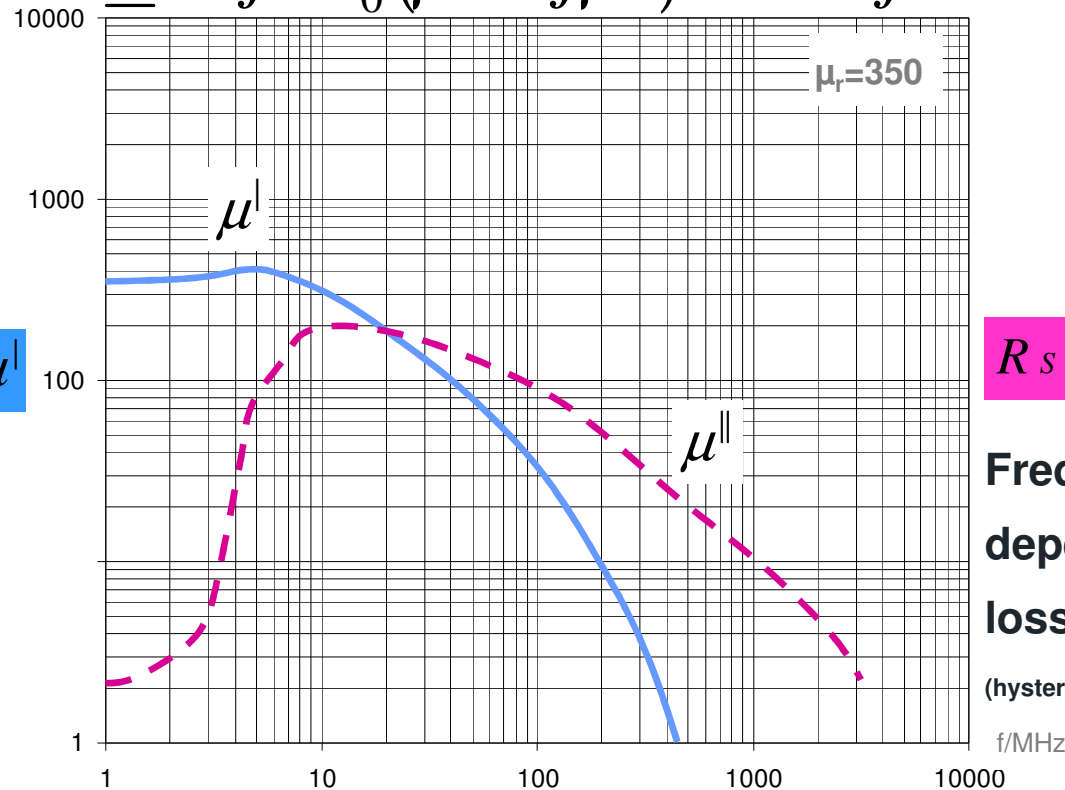
$$X_{LS} = \omega L_0 \mu^{\perp}$$

**Inductance
reactance**
(Magnetize ability)

$$R_s = \omega L_0 \mu^{\parallel}$$

**Frequency
dependent core
losses**

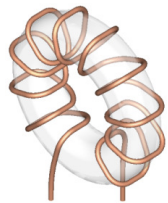
(hysteresis loss)



Inductive EMC solutions

Impedance of a Coil: Air Coil + Ferrite Core

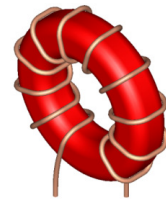
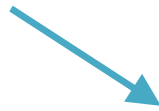
- Model for the **impedance** below the self resonance point of a coil with a ferrite core:



Air coil impedance $\underline{Z}_0$



Ferrite permeability $\underline{\mu}_r$



$$\begin{aligned}\underline{Z}(f) &= \underline{Z}_0(f) \cdot \underline{\mu}_r(f) \\ &= j \cdot 2\pi \cdot f \cdot L_0 \cdot [\mu'_r(f) - j \cdot \mu''_r(f)] \\ &= j \cdot X_L(f) + R(f)\end{aligned}$$

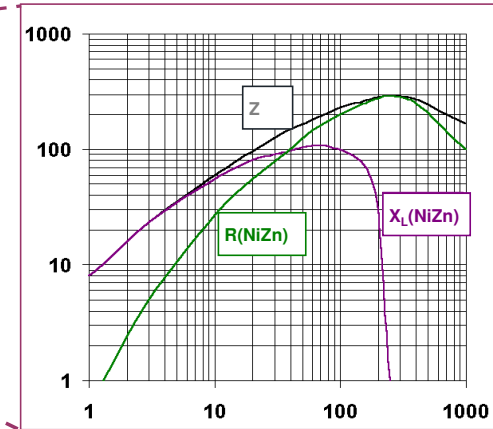
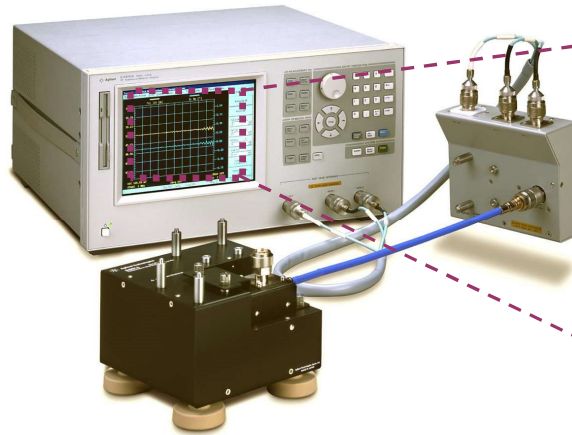
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Inductive EMC solutions

Permeability - Impedance

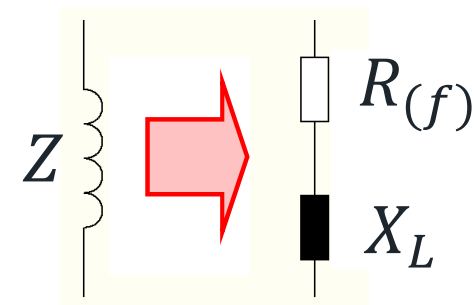


=1 turn



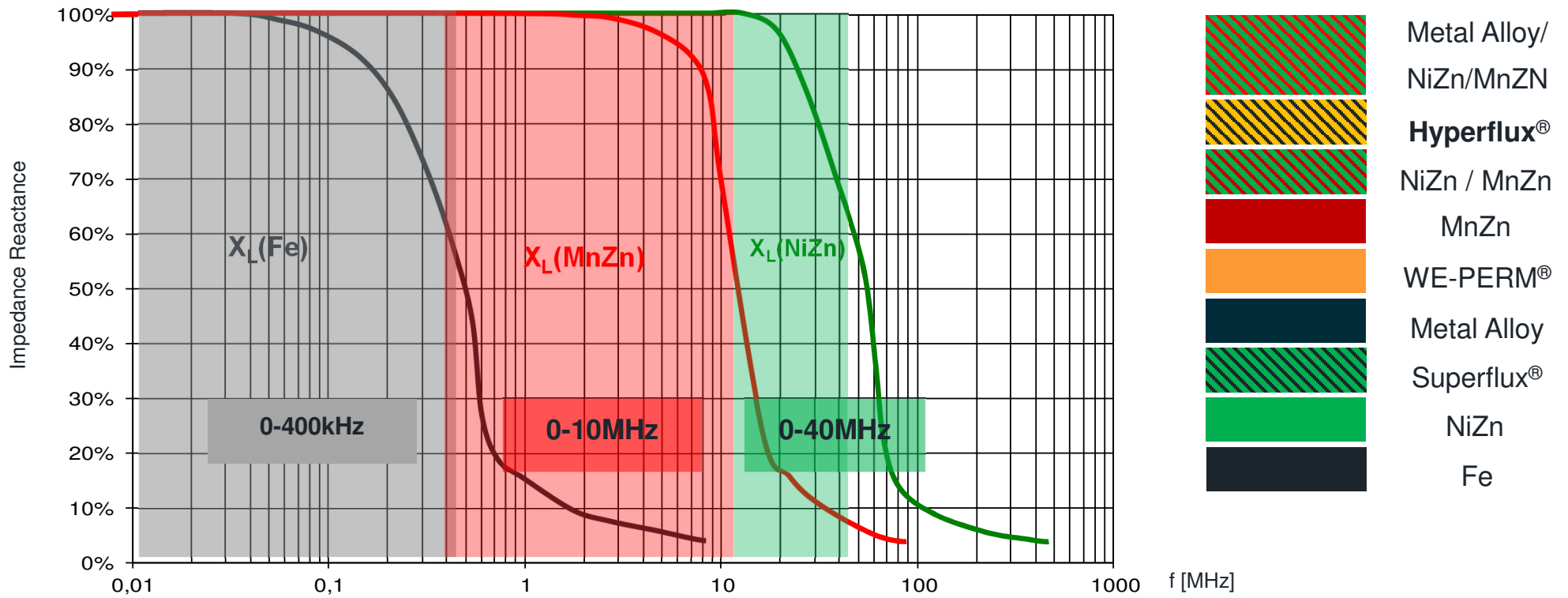
Core material-Parameter

Replacement circuit



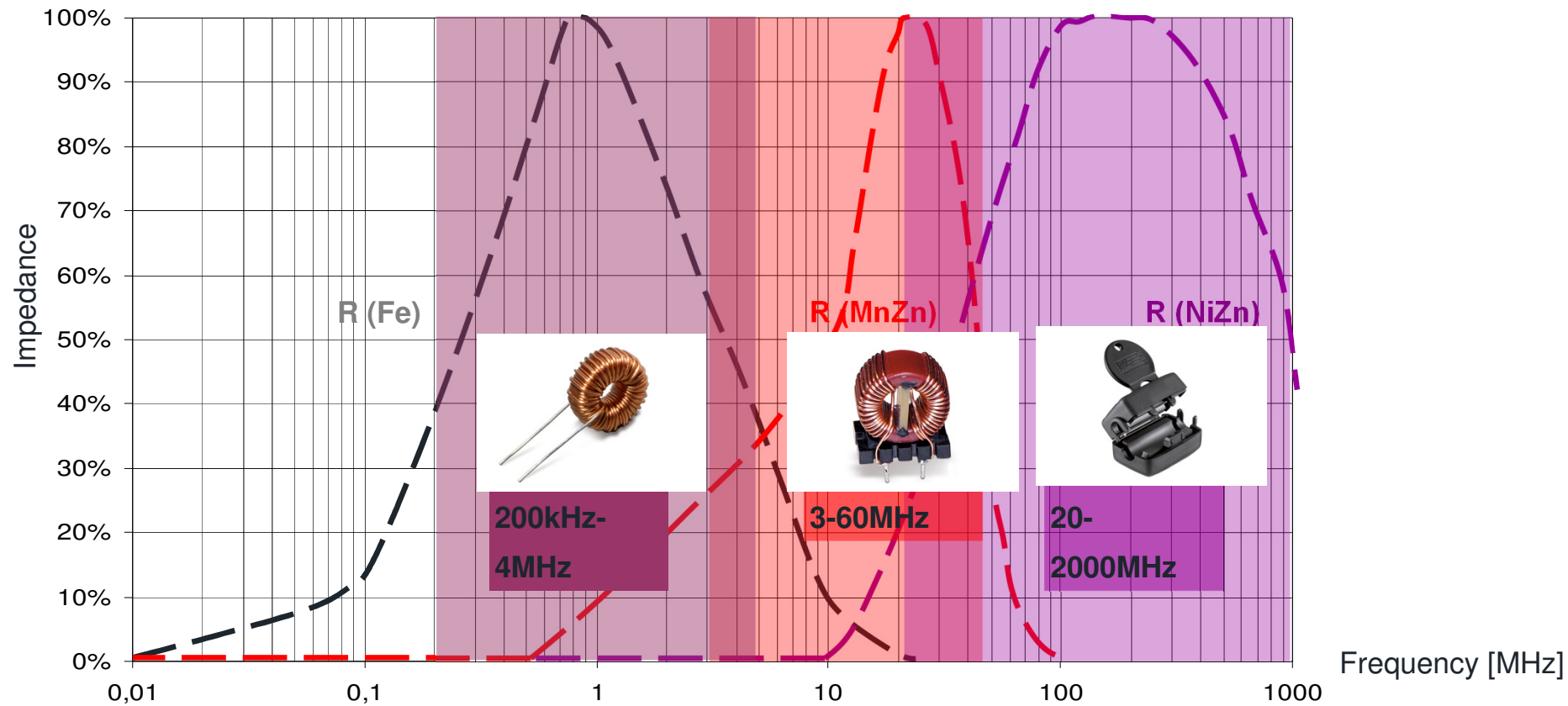
Core material – Inductors (storage)

Permeability vs Frequency vs material ($X_{LS} = \omega L_0 \mu'$)



Core material – Choke (filter)

Permeability vs Frequency vs material ($R_S = \omega L_0 \mu''$)



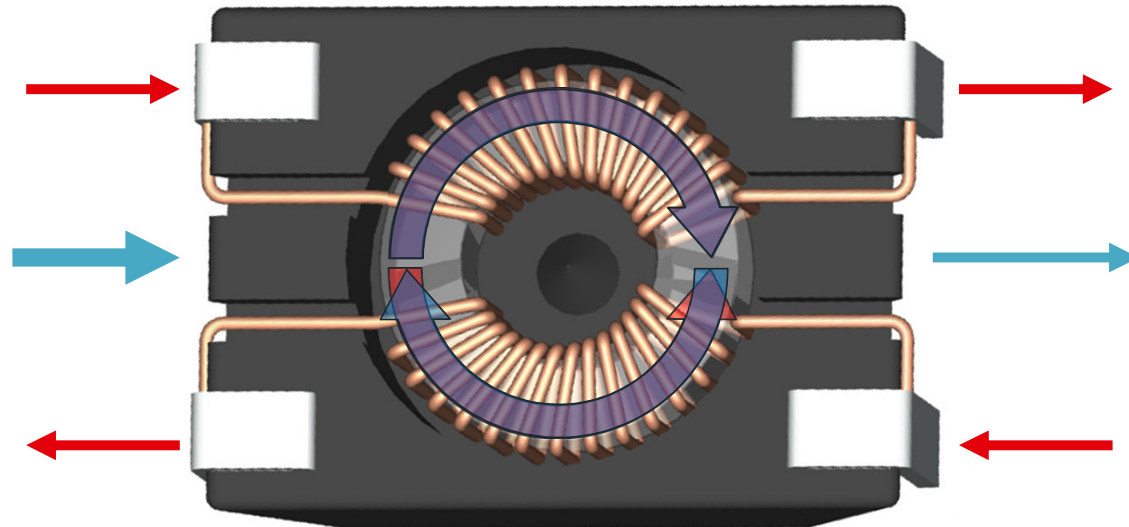
COMMON MODE CHOKES

Common mode chokes

Differential mode versus common mode



$$H = \frac{N \cdot I}{2 \cdot \pi \cdot R}$$

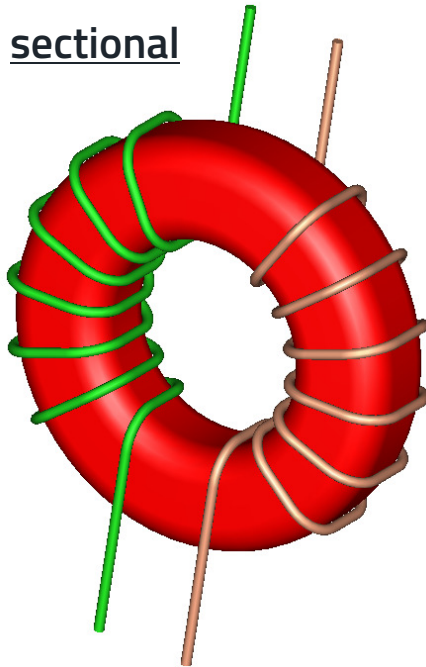


- **Compensation** of the **main magnetic flux** due to the differential-mode useful signal
- **Attenuation** of a **common-mode noise signal** by reflection and absorption

Common mode chokes

Winding style

sectional



$$L_{\text{leak}} \sim 0,5 \dots 2\% * L_R$$

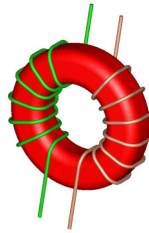
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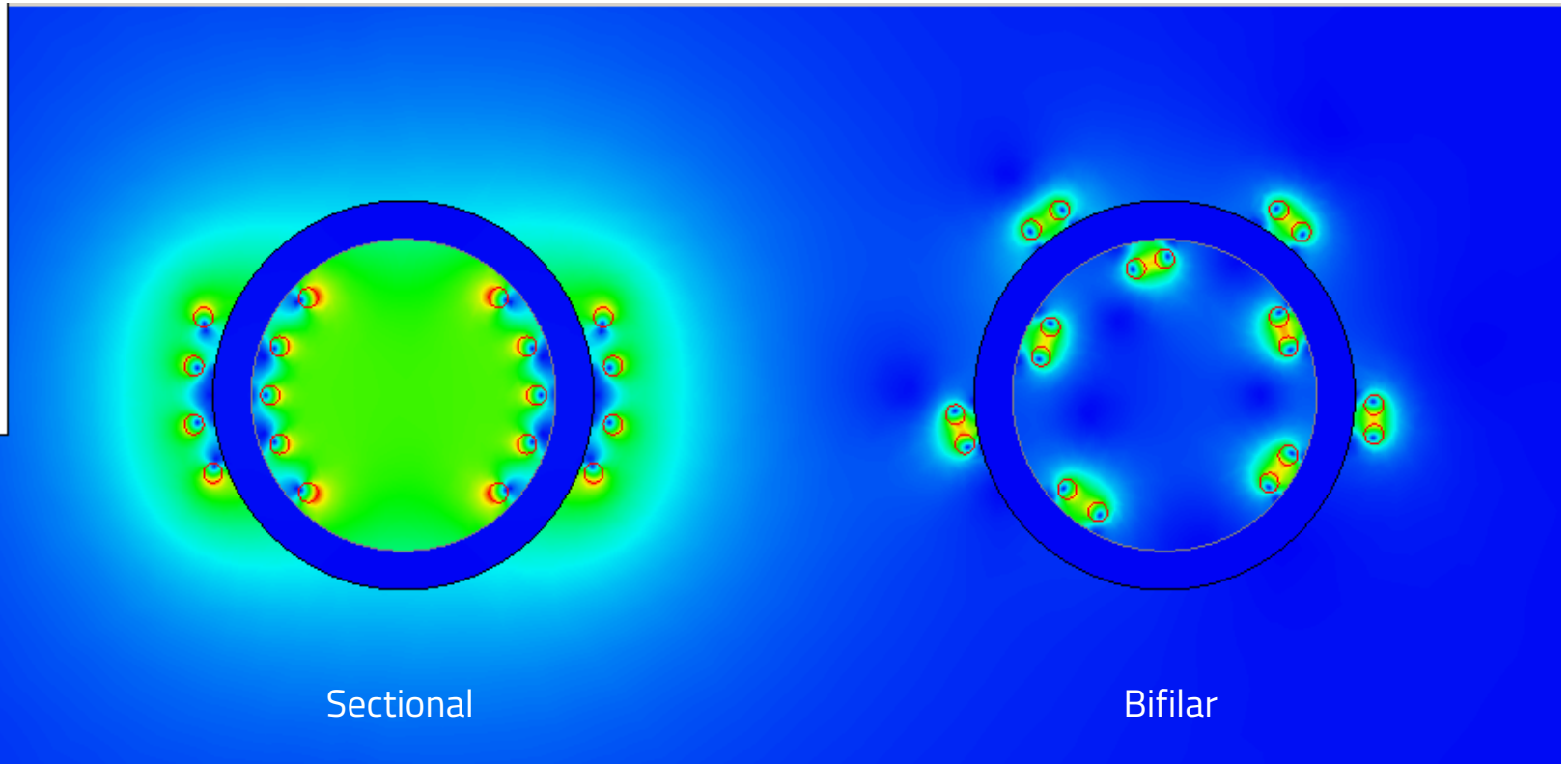
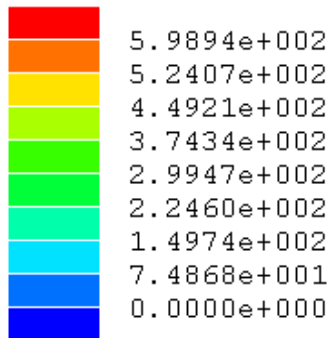
$$L_{\text{leak}} \sim 0,01 \dots 0,1 \% * L_R$$

Common mode chokes

Leakage inductance – Winding style



H [A/m]

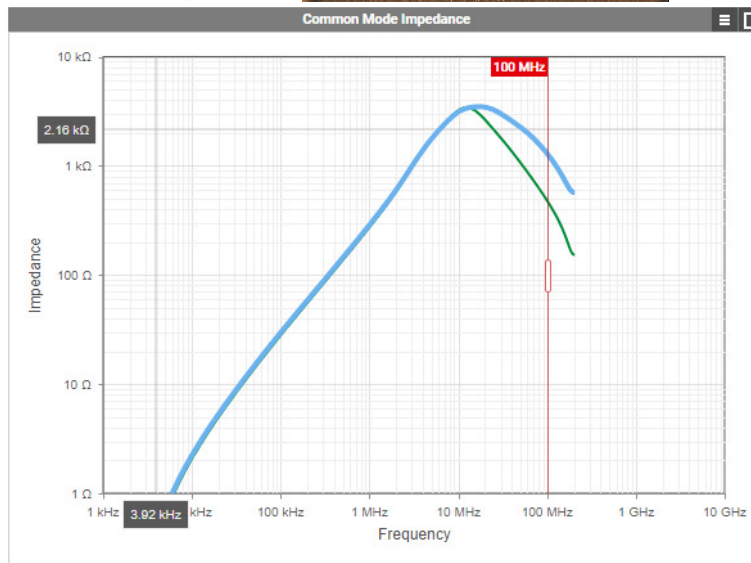
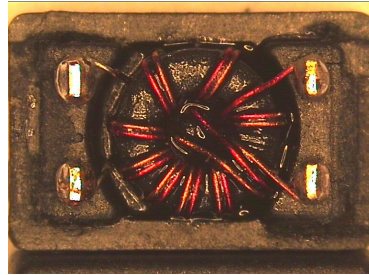


Common mode chokes

Winding style

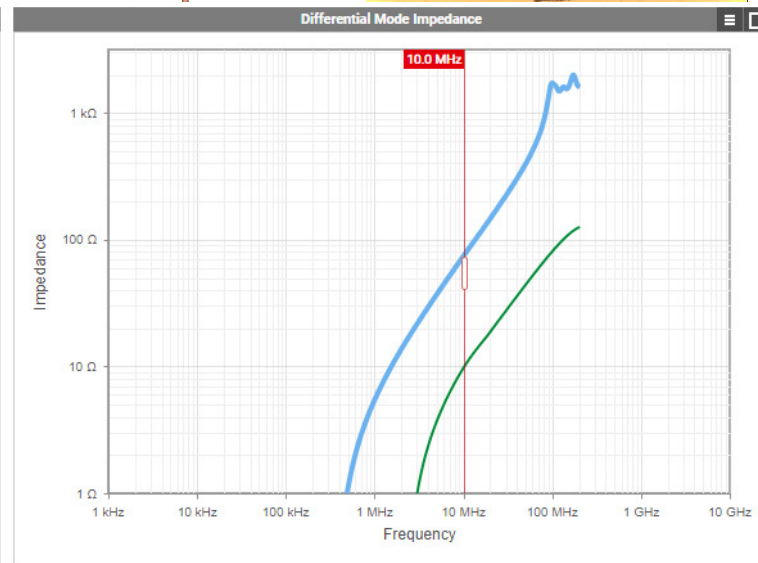
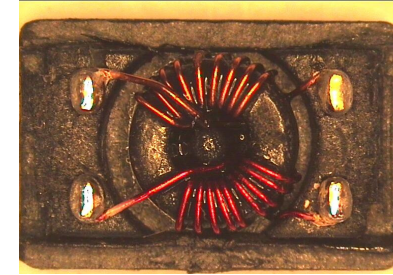
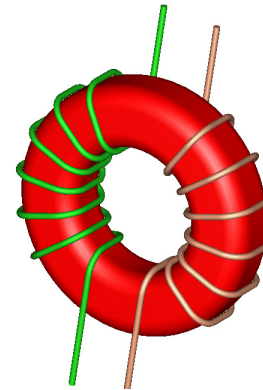


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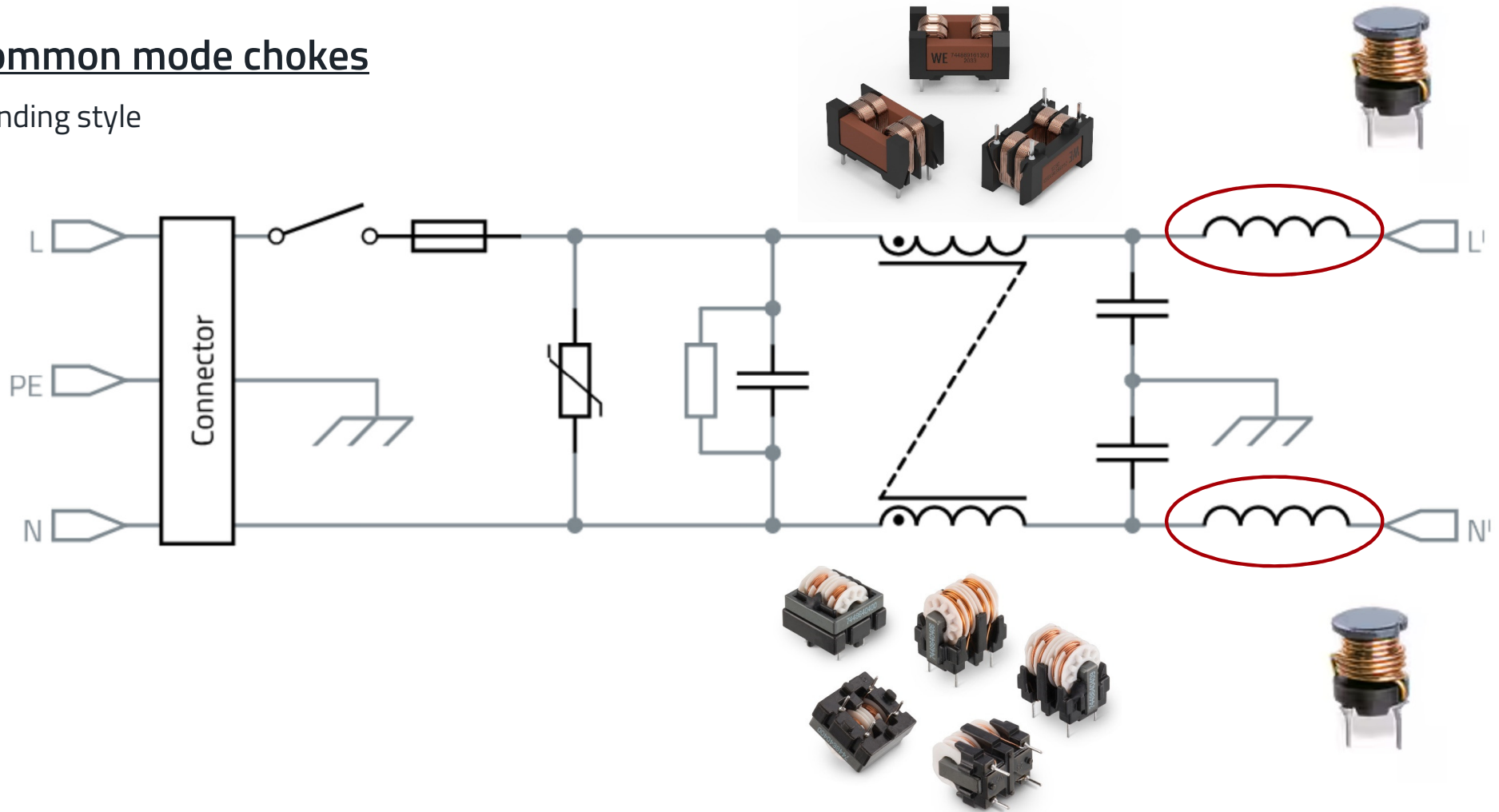
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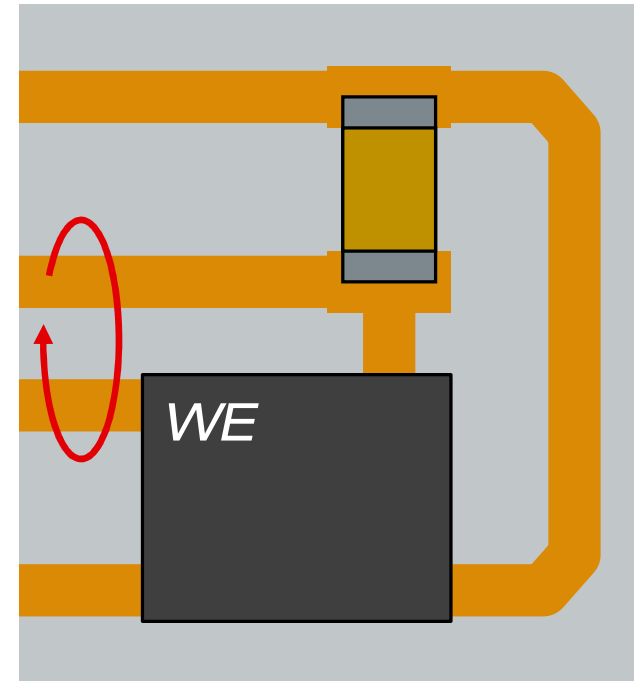
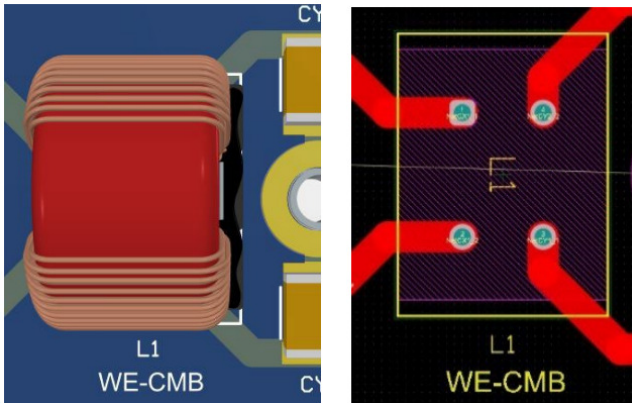
Winding style



Common mode chokes

Filter Placement - Coupling Paths in Common Mode Filters

- CM-Filter as close to the connector as possible
 - Overvoltage is also running in CM!
- Avoid GND Plane beneath Choke
 - Possible coupling path / mode conversion
- Keep an eye on noise feedback from filter output to input

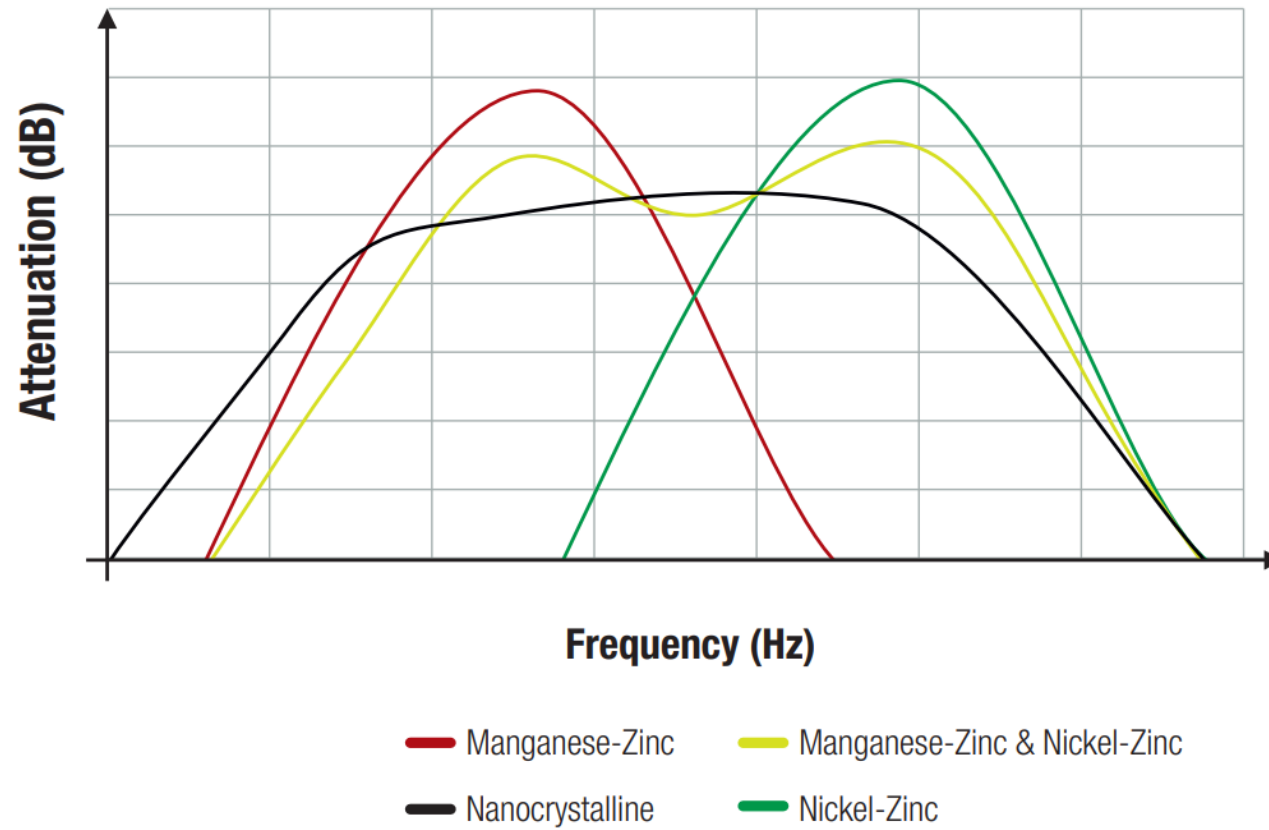


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Inductive Coupling from CMC Output to Input

Common mode chokes

Comparison core materials

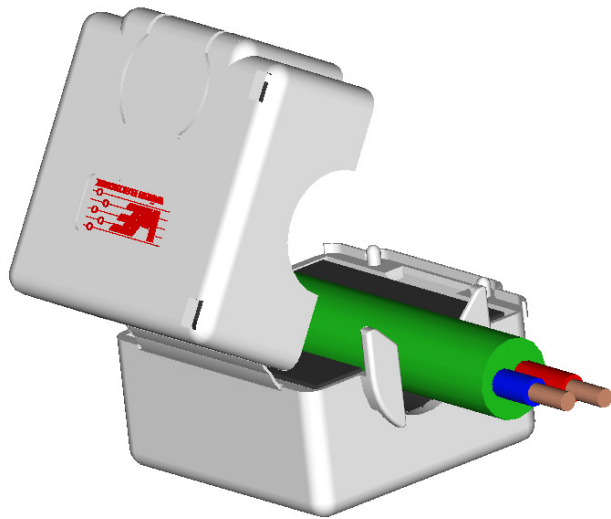


CABLE FERRITES

Cable ferrites

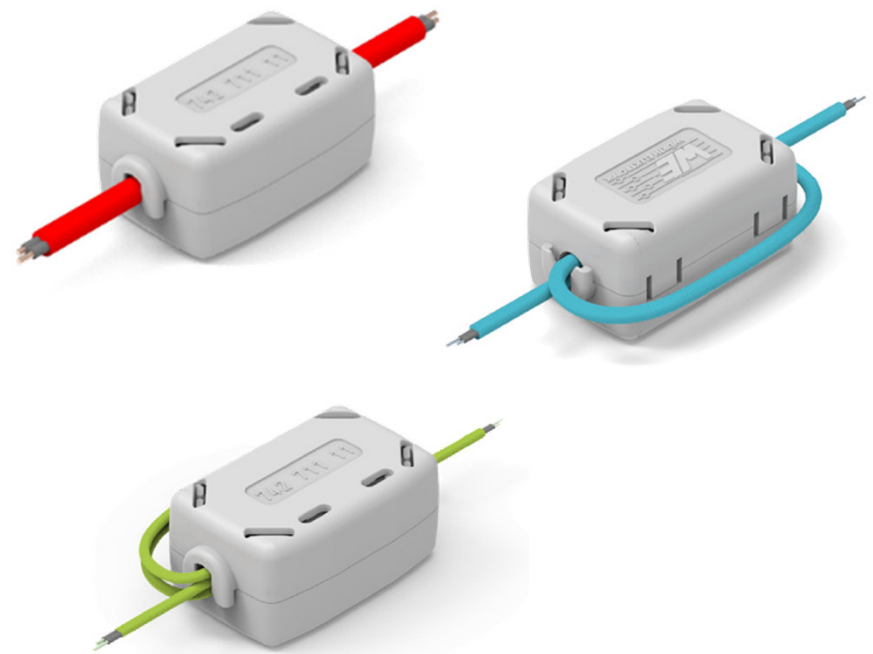
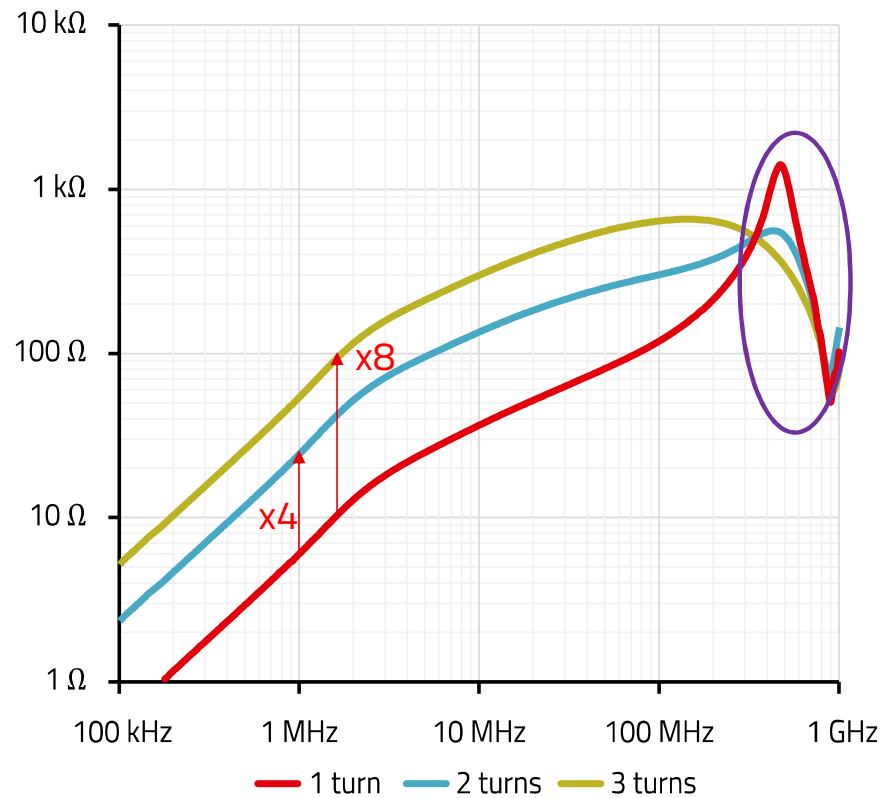
Is it a common mode choke?

- Yes, Common Mode Choke with 1 turn
- Comparable with bifilar winding style
- Both absorb common mode interferences



Cable ferrites

Increasing Impedance with multiple Turns



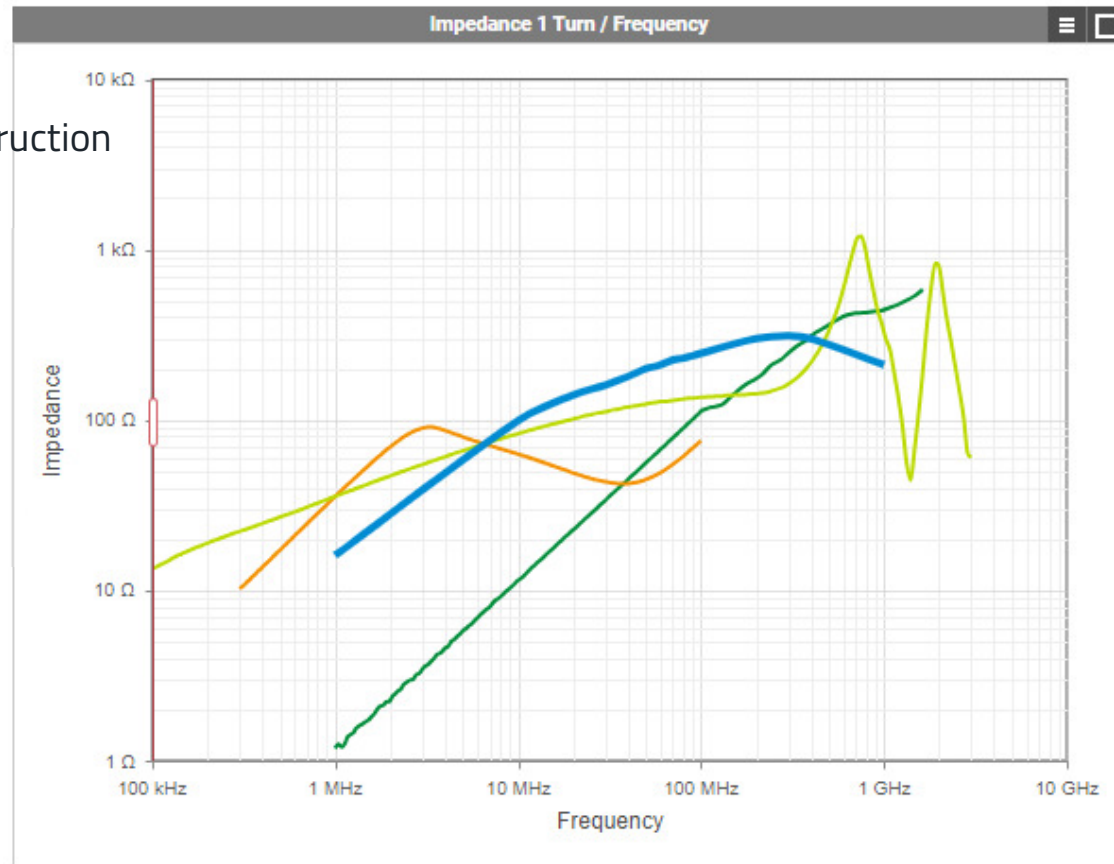
Cable ferrites

Core Materials and Construction



742 721 32
STAR-TEC
NiZn Ferrite

742 711 32
STAR-TEC LFS
MnZn Ferrite



742 716 33
STAR-GAP
NiZn + Air Gap

742 716 33
AENA
Nanocrystalline



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Cable ferrites

Common Mode or Differential Mode



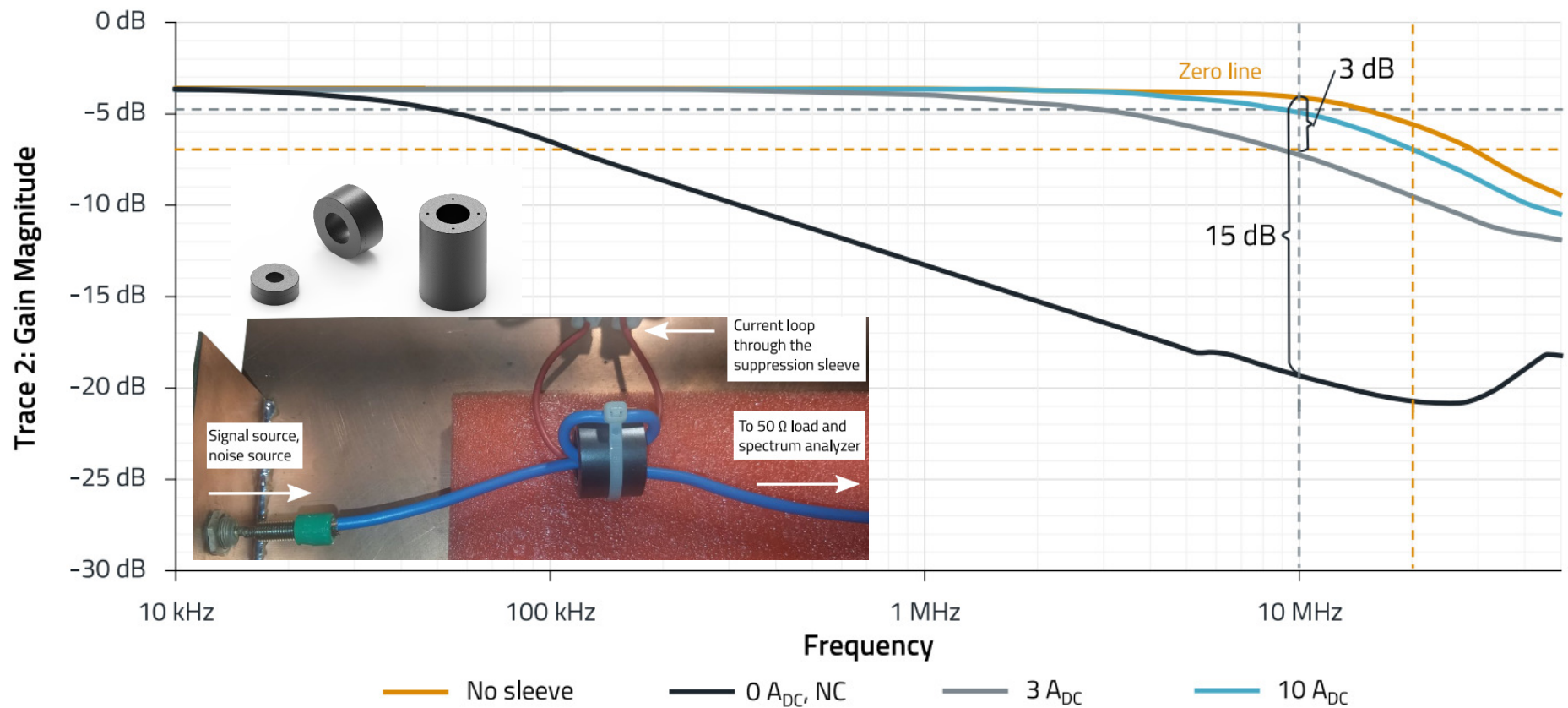
- **Single wire:**
 - Attenuation of the common-mode and differential-mode current
 - Risk of **saturation** of the ferrite material



- **Wire pair:**
 - Attenuation of the common-mode current
 - Effect on the intended signal is cancelled
 - Saturation occurs only with high common-mode current magnitudes and small cross-section area of the core

Cable ferrites

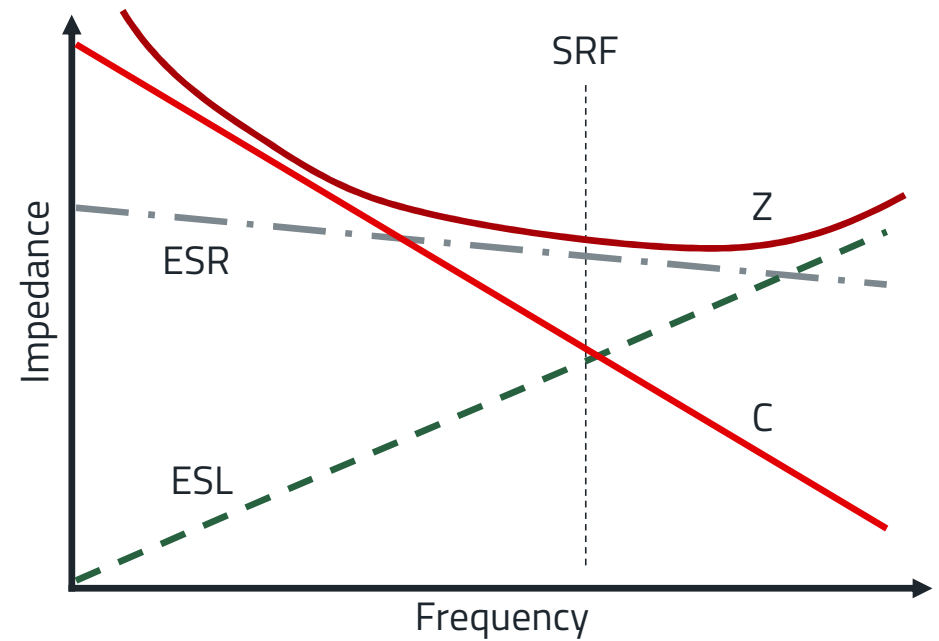
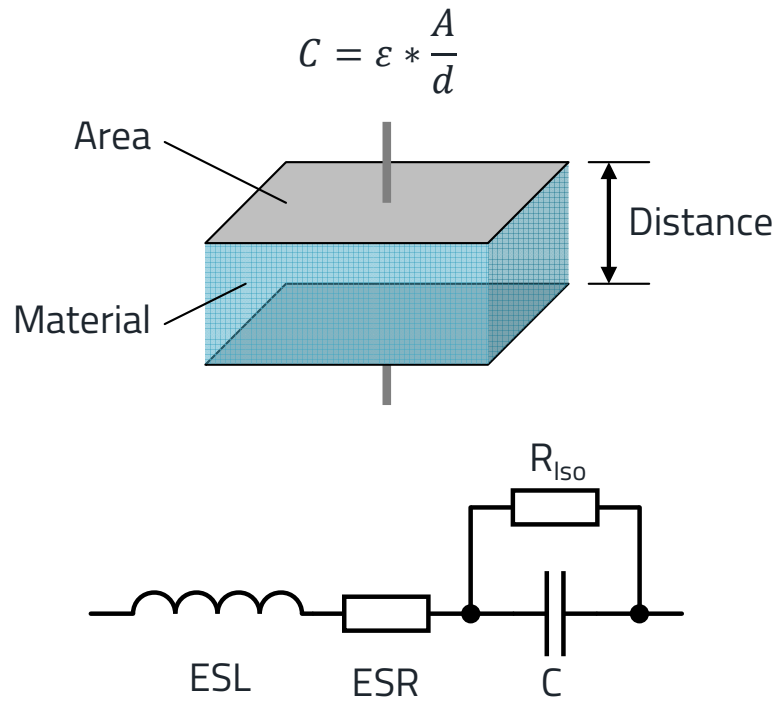
Saturation effect nanocrystalline cable ferrite - 782063151200



CAPACITIVE EMC SOLUTIONS

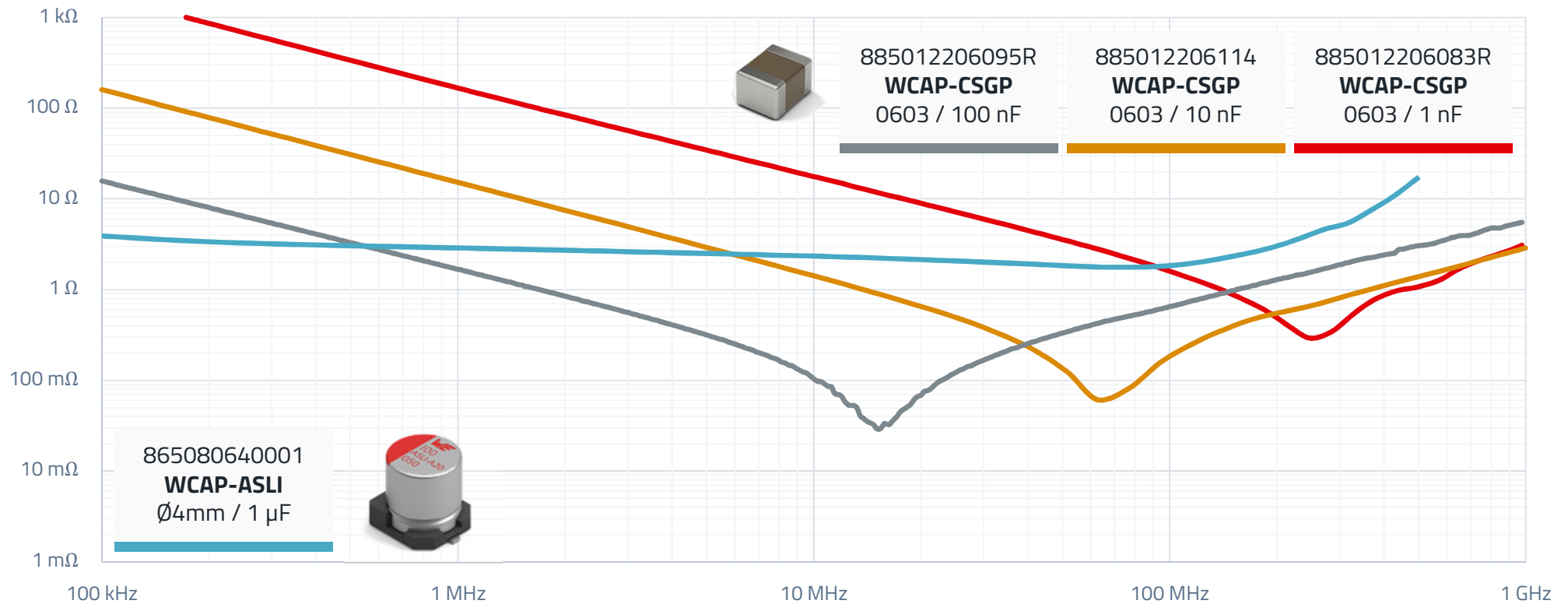
Capacitive EMC solutions

Basic Model



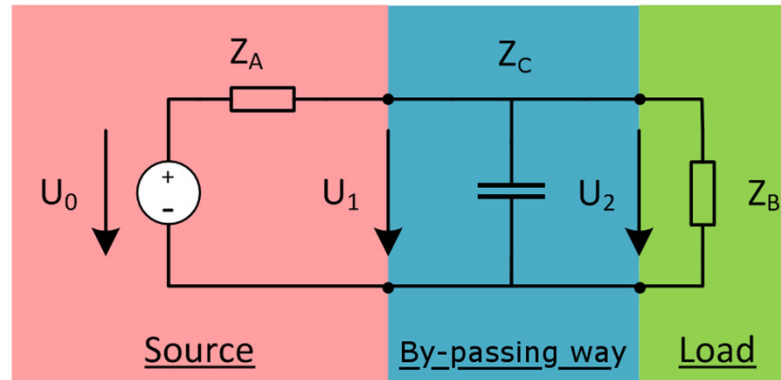
Capacitive EMC solutions

Impedance Curves for different Capacitors



Capacitive EMC solutions

Insertion Loss of a capacitor



- System attenuation *in (dB)*

$$A = 20 \cdot \log \left(\frac{Z_B // Z_C}{Z_A + (Z_B // Z_C)} \right) = 20 \cdot \log \left(\frac{1}{1 + (Z_A / Z_B) + (Z_A \times jC\omega)} \right)$$

- Impedance of capacitor

$$|Z| = \frac{1}{|jC\omega|}$$

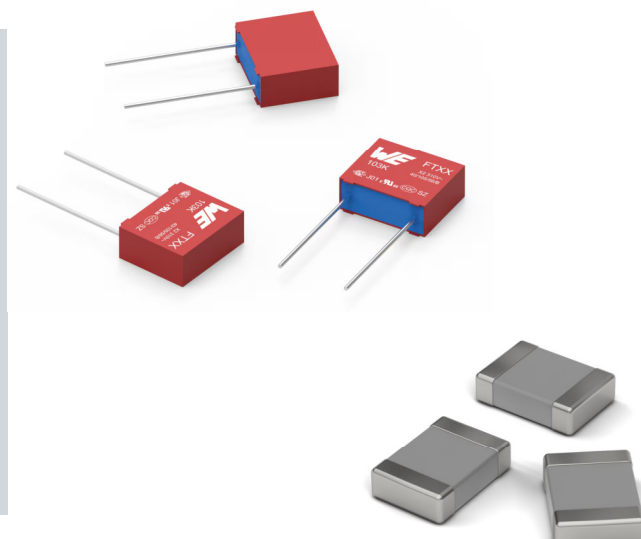
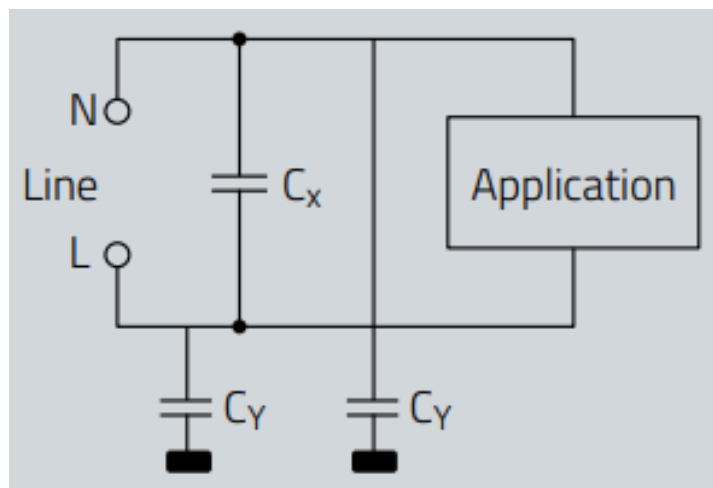
in (Ω)

$$\omega = 2\pi f$$

C = capacitance in Farad

Safety capacitors

X versus Y



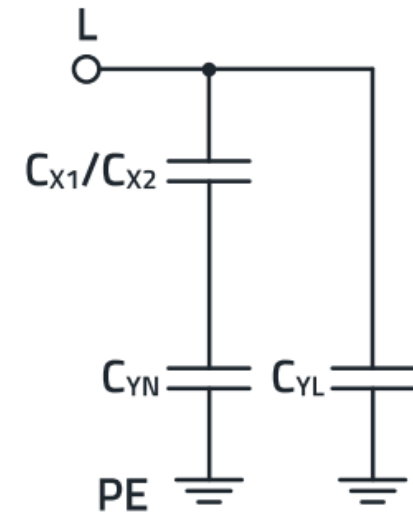
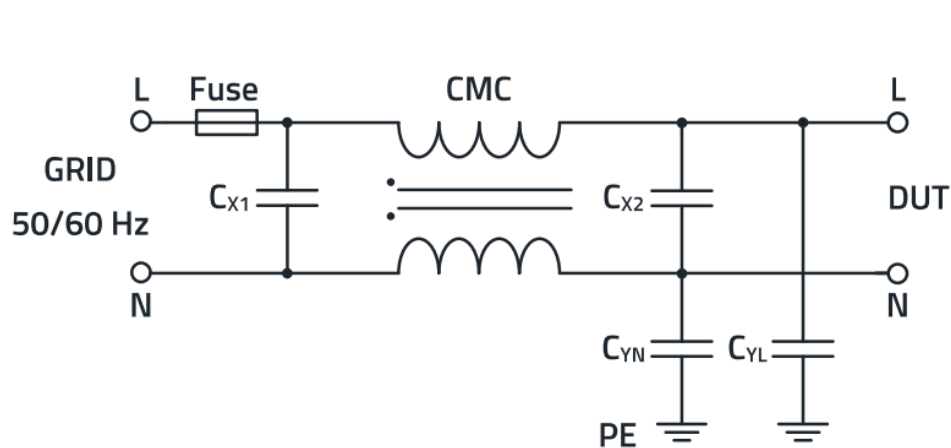
Classification according to IEC 60384-14: 2013

Safety Class	Peak impulse voltage in use	Application	Peak impulse voltage applied before endurance test
X1	> 2.5 kV ≤ 4 kV	High pulse application	4 kV ($C \leq 1 \mu\text{F}$), $U_p = \frac{4 \text{ kV}}{\sqrt{\frac{C_N}{10^{-6} \text{ F}}}} (C > 1 \mu\text{F})$
X2	≤ 2.5 kV	General Purpose	2.5 kV ($C \leq 1 \mu\text{F}$), $U_p = \frac{2.5 \text{ kV}}{\sqrt{\frac{C_N}{10^{-6} \text{ F}}}} (C > 1 \mu\text{F})$

Safety Class	Type of bridged insulation	Range of rated voltages	Peak impulse voltage applied before endurance test
Y1	Double or reinforced	≤ 500 V	8 kV
Y2	Basic or supplemental	≥ 150 V ≤ 500 V	5 kV ($C \leq 1 \mu\text{F}$), $U_p = \frac{5 \text{ kV}}{\sqrt{\frac{C_N}{10^{-6} \text{ F}}}} (C > 1 \mu\text{F})$

Safety capacitors

Y capacitors - Leakage current



- According to 60939-1 - max. 3,5mA to chassis
- Other applications might have more strict requirements

$$I_{\text{LEAK}} = V_{\text{GRID}} \cdot 2\pi \cdot f_{\text{GRID}} \cdot \left(C_{\text{YL}} + \frac{C_{\text{XG}} \cdot C_{\text{YN}}}{C_{\text{XG}} + C_{\text{YN}}} \right)$$

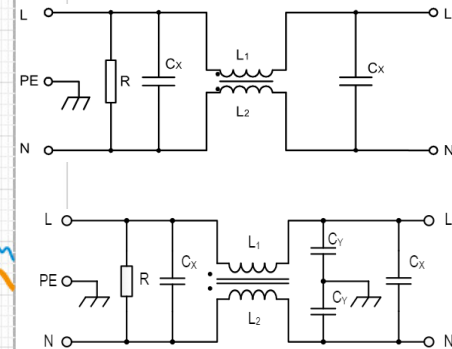
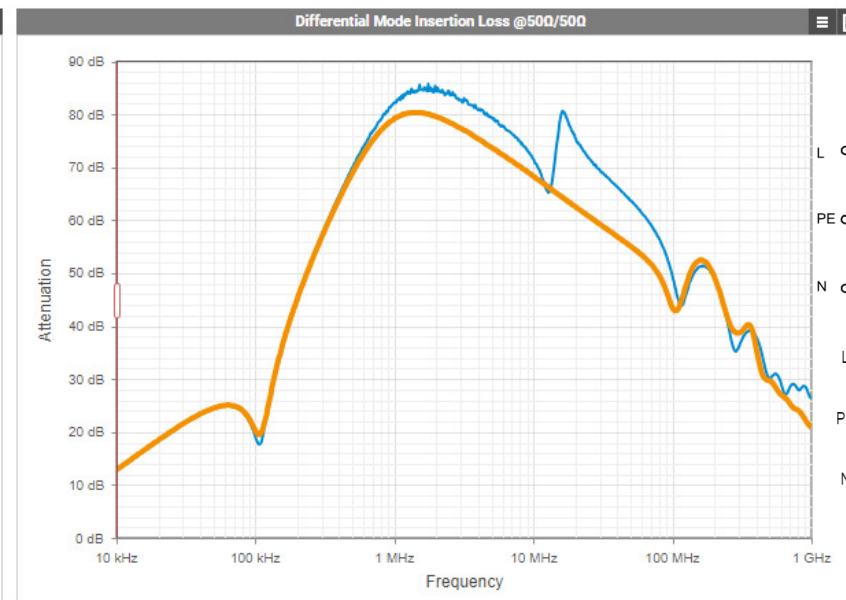
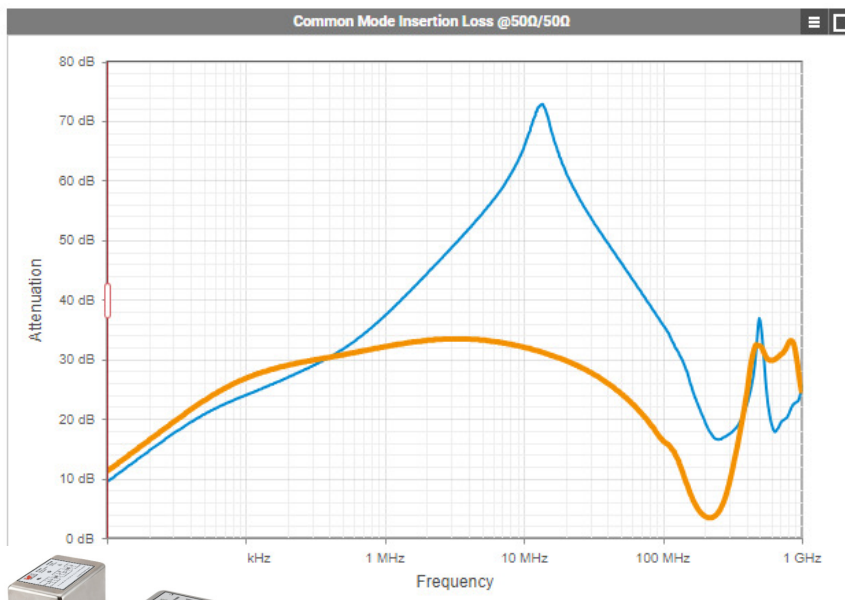
$$C_{\text{XG}} = C_{\text{X1}} + C_{\text{X2}}$$

Safety capacitors

Leakage current – impact of Y capacitors

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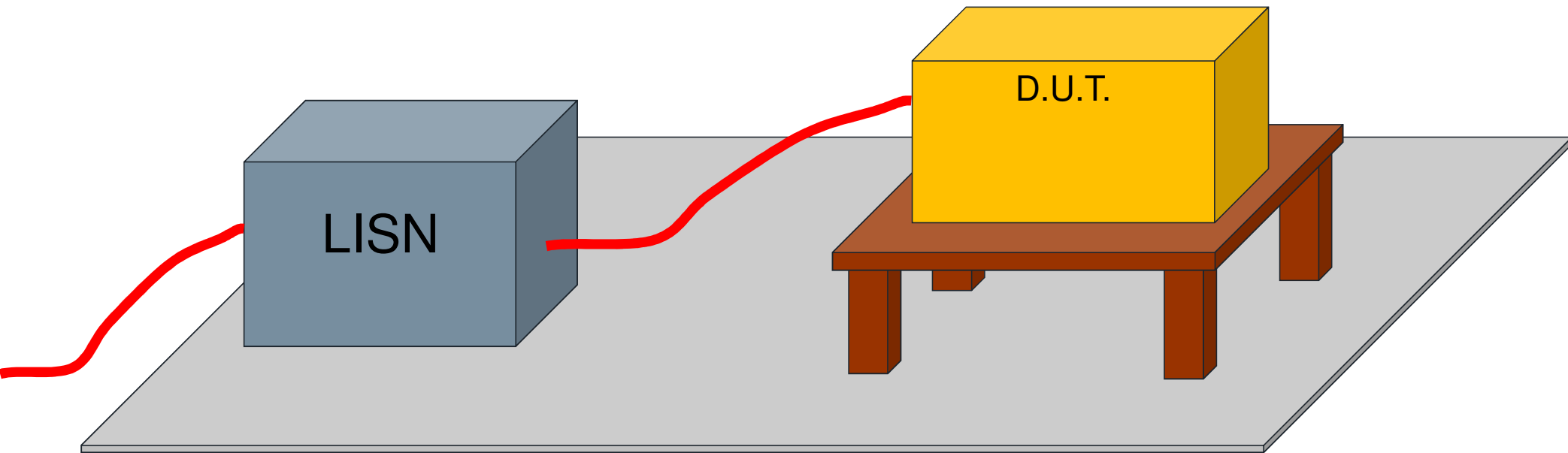
Order Code	Series	Size	Spec	V _R	I _R	I _{leak}	L	C _X	C _Y	R	V _{TAC} (L->PE)	V _{TDC} (L->N)	Weight	Length	Width	Height	Lin...	T _{Op}	Assem...	Certificates
810912014	WE-CLFS	Single-Stage Advanced		250 V	14.0 A	534 µA	2.20 mH	680 nF	6.80 nF	470 kΩ	2.00 kV	1.075 kV	137g	75.0 mm	51.8 mm	29.0 mm	2	100°C	Chassis	UL c UL us CE ...
810912014112	WE-CLFS	Single-Stage Advanced Low Lea...		250 V	14.0 A		2.20 mH	680 nF		470 kΩ	2.00 kV	1.075 kV	134g	75.0 mm	51.8 mm	29.0 mm	2	100°C	Chassis	UL c UL us CE ...



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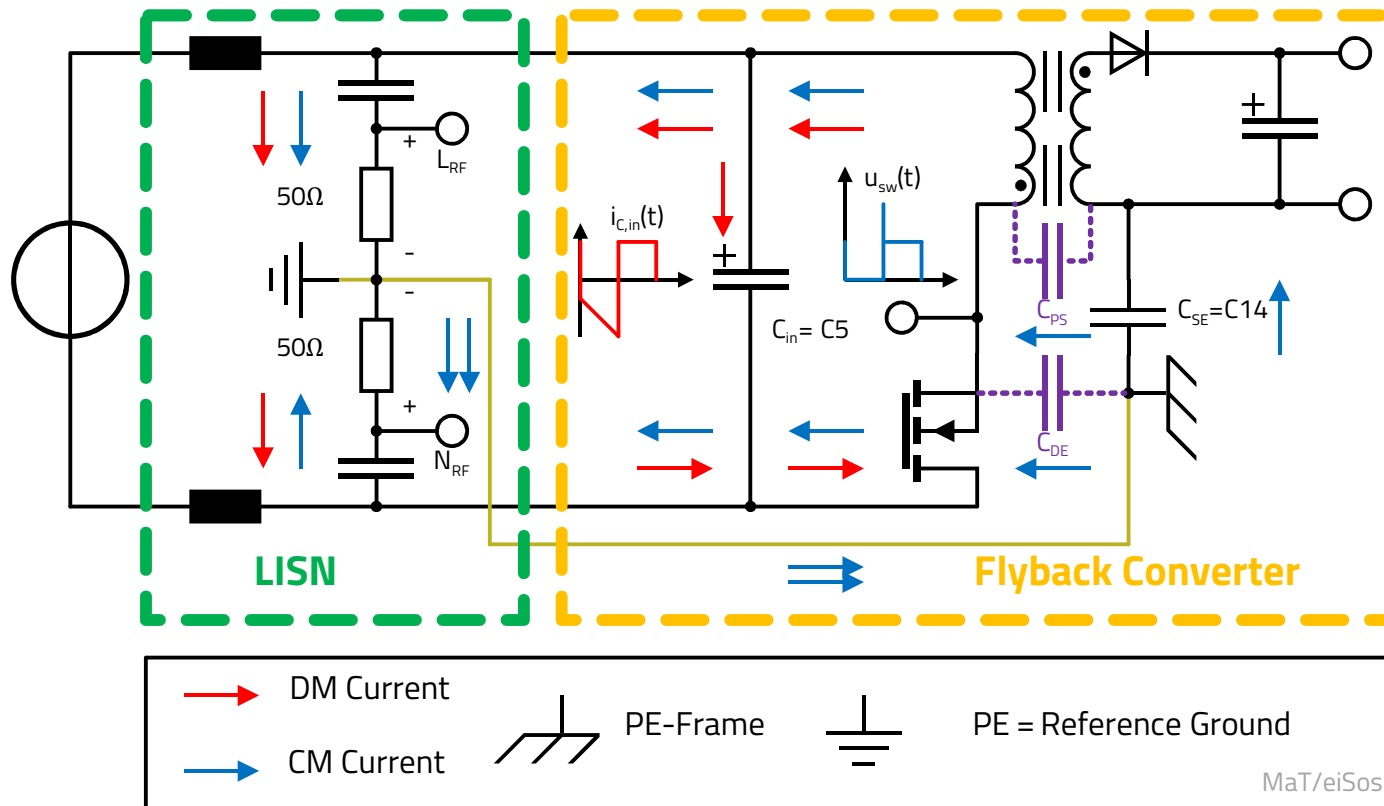
Measurement set-up

Conducted emissions



Noise in flyback converter

DM and CM noise path in a flyback converter



$$U_{L,RF} = U_{CM} + U_{DM}$$

$$U_{N,RF} = U_{CM} - U_{DM}$$

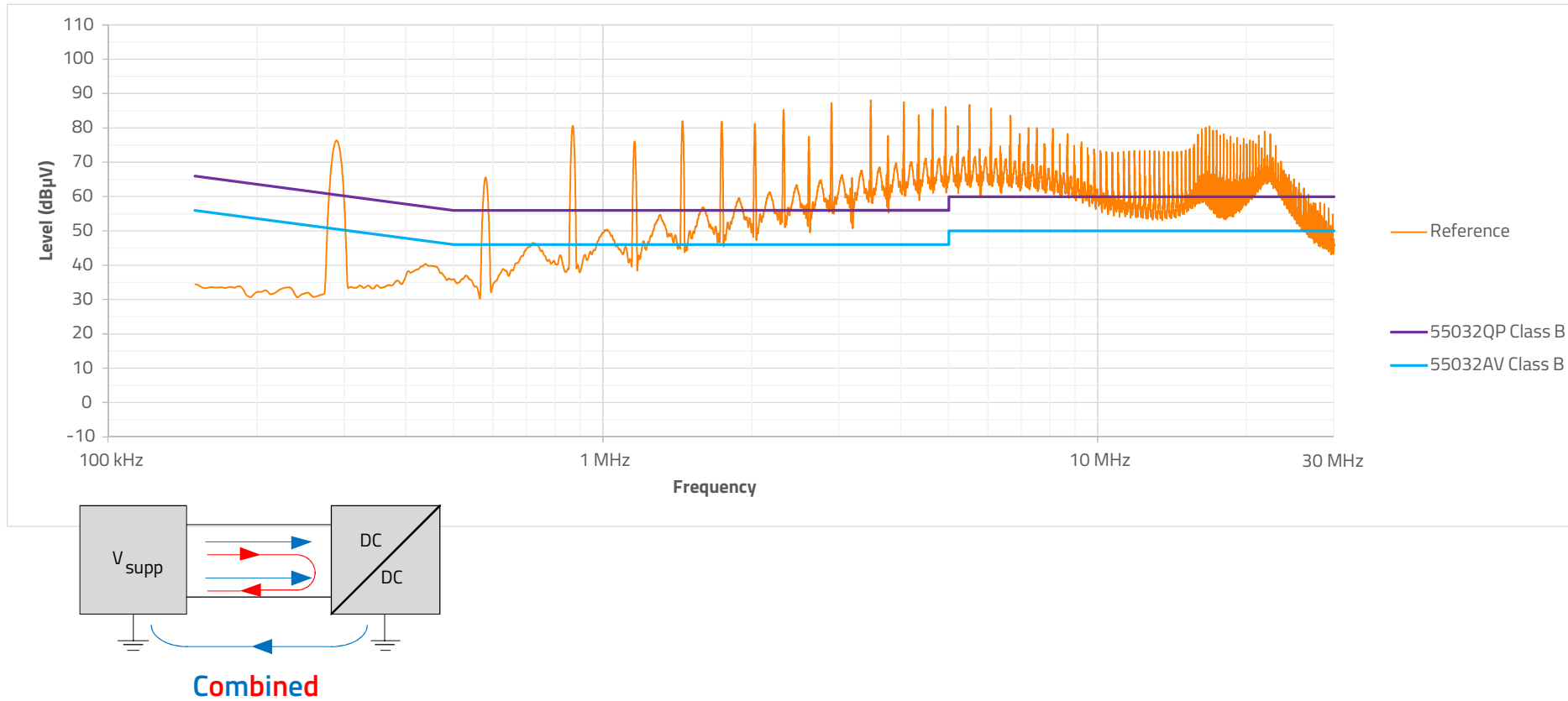


$$U_{DM} = \frac{U_{L,RF} - U_{N,RF}}{2}$$

$$U_{CM} = \frac{U_{L,RF} + U_{N,RF}}{2}$$

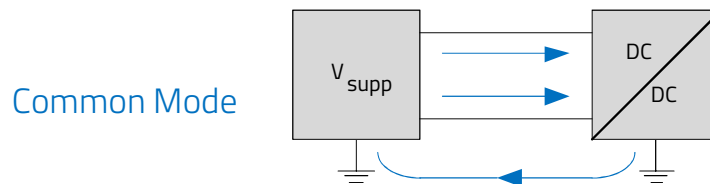
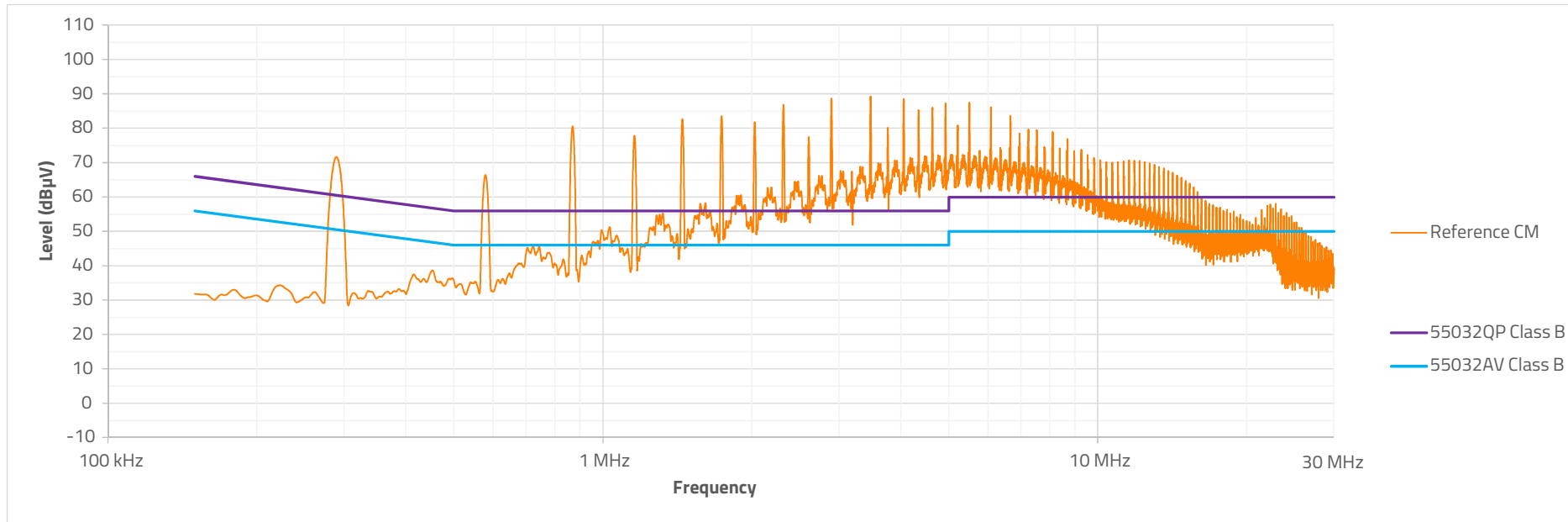
Noise in flyback converter

Total conducted emissions - Line



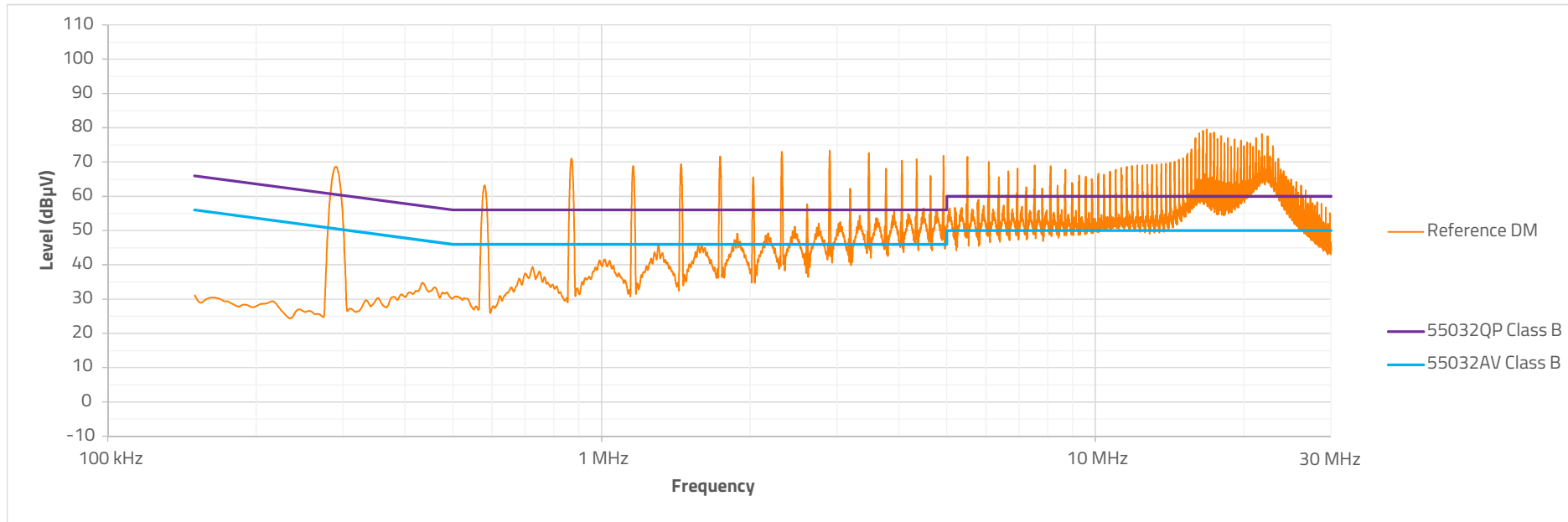
Noise in flyback converter

Common mode noise

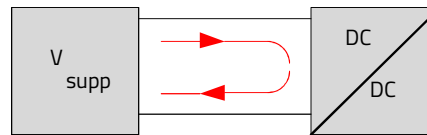


Noise in flyback converter

Differential mode noise



Differential Mode



Common mode filter calculation

Step 1 – cut-off frequency

- Simplified block diagram with effective CM components

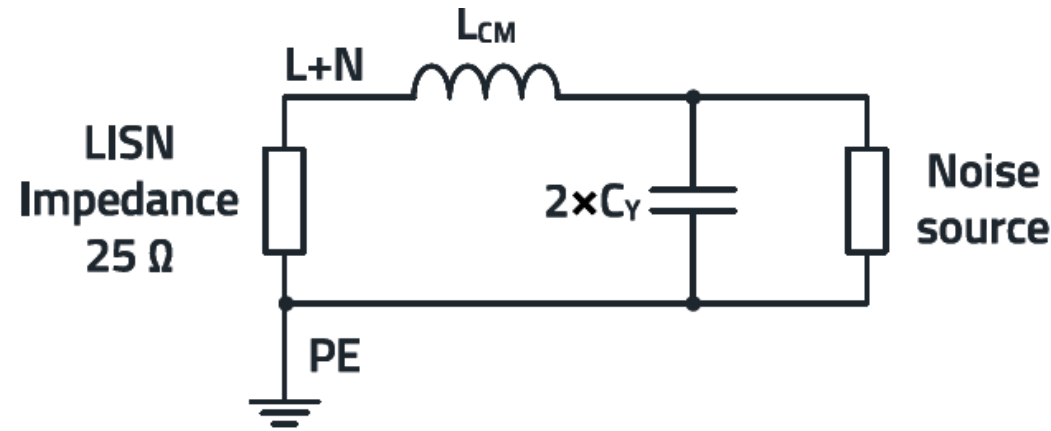
- Attenuation & cut-off frequency:

$$A_{f_{sw}} = \log \left(\frac{f_{sw}}{f_{co}} \right) \times 40dB$$

$$f_{co} = \frac{f_{sw}}{10^{\frac{A_{f_{sw}}(dB)}{40 dB}}}$$

- 30dB of common mode attenuation
- $f_{sw} = 300kHz$

$$f_{co} = \frac{300kHz}{10^{\frac{30 dB}{40 dB}}} = 53kHz$$

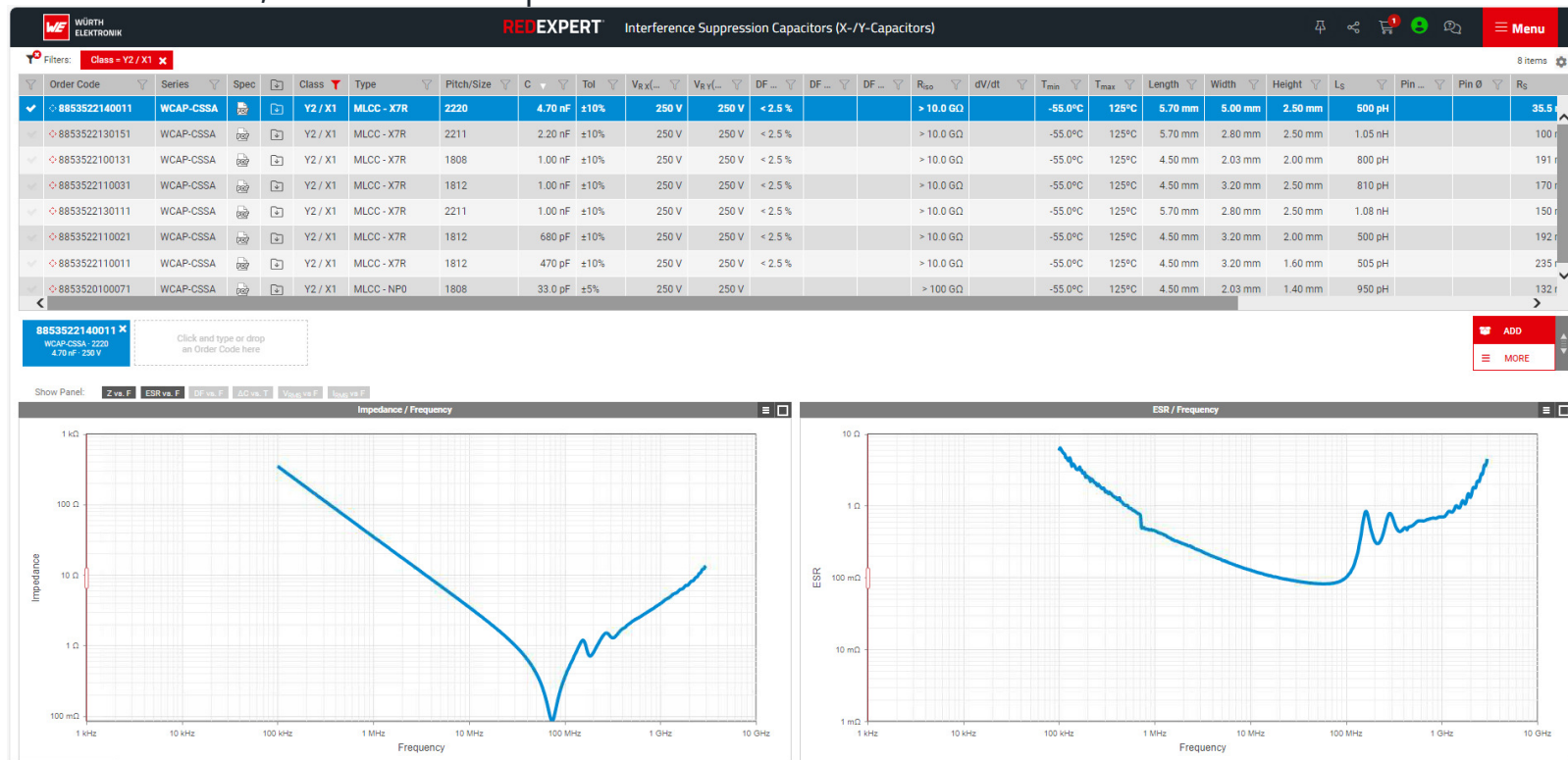


Common mode filter calculation

Step 2 – Y capacitor selection

- 2x 8853522140011 – 4,7nF 2220 Y2 capacitor

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Common mode filter calculation

Step 3 – Calculation of inductance – common mode choke selection

- Common mode inductance
$$f_{0,cm} = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{LC}} \rightarrow L_{cm} = \frac{1}{(2\pi f)^2 \cdot C_{E,total}} = \frac{1}{(2\pi \cdot 53kHz)^2 \cdot 2 \cdot 4,7nF} = 1mH$$

- Take into account the tolerance!

Electrical Properties:

Properties		Test conditions	Value	Unit	Tol.
Number of windings	N		2		
Inductance	L	10 kHz/ 0.1 mA	1	mH	±30%
Rated Current	I _R	@ 70 °C	2	A	max.
DC Resistance	R _{DC}	@ 20 °C	45	mΩ	max.

- 1,5mH – 2,5mH is used for selection

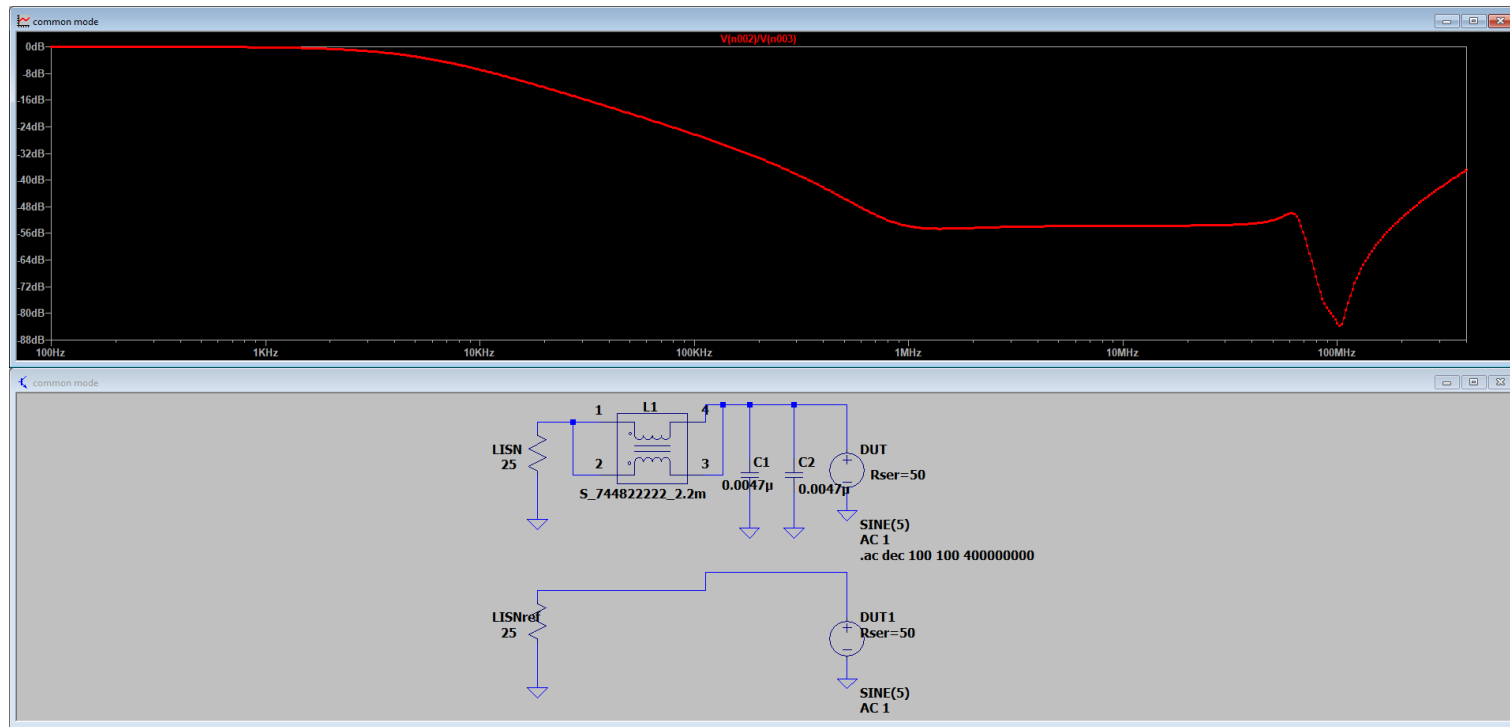
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- 744822222 is selected as common mode choke – SRF @ 3th harmonic



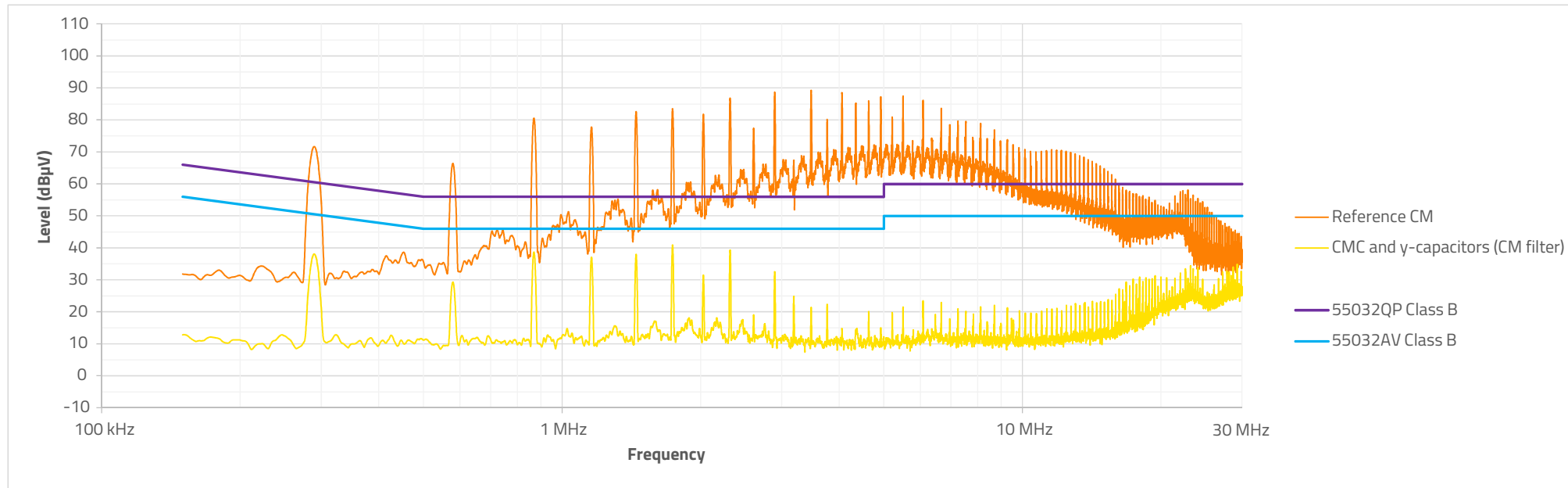
Common mode filter calculation

Step 4 – Simulate with LTSpice

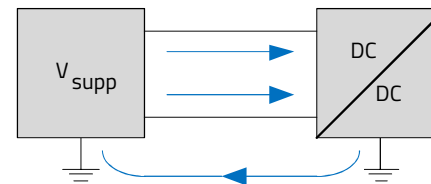


Common mode filter

Step 5 – measurement on common mode noise

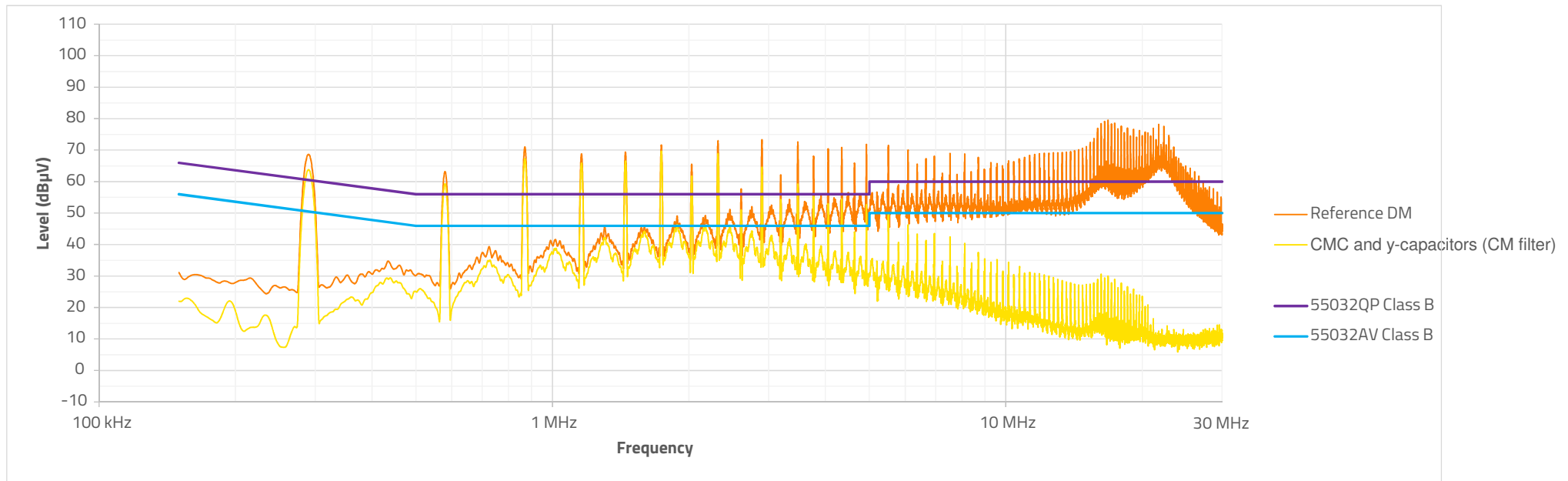


Common Mode

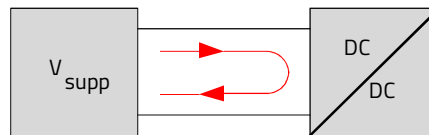


Common mode filter

Step 5 – measurement on differential mode noise



Differential Mode



Differential mode filter calculation

Step 1 – cut-off frequency

- Simplified block diagram with effective DM components

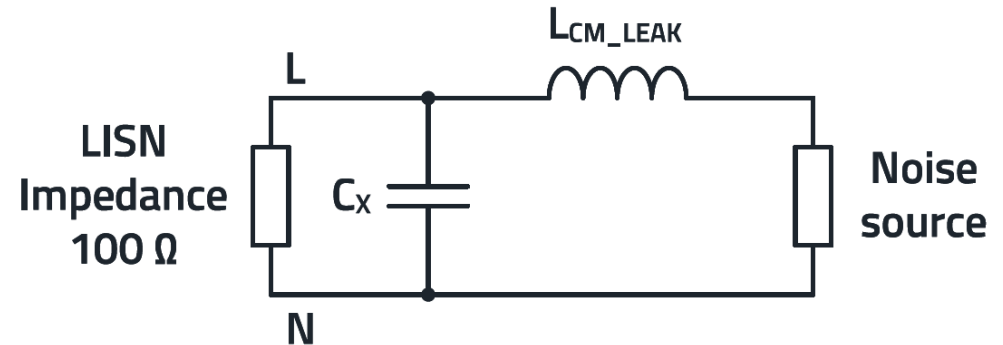
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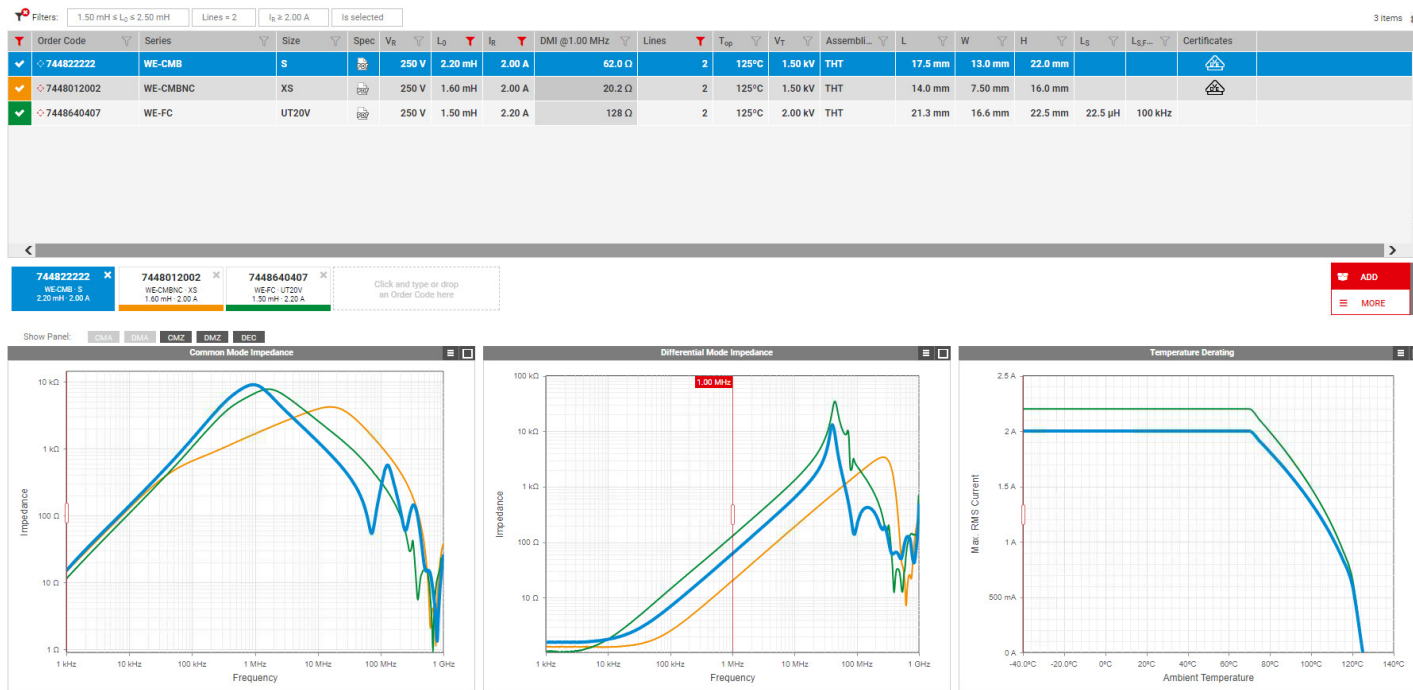


Differential mode filter calculation

Step 2 – leakage inductance of common mode choke

$$\blacksquare L_{DM} = \frac{Z}{2\pi \times f_{DM}} = \frac{62\Omega}{2\pi \times 1\text{MHz}} = 9,9\mu\text{H}$$

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Differential mode filter calculation

Step 3 – calculate & select (X) capacitor

- Capacitor calculation

$$f_{0,dm} = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{LC}} \rightarrow C_x = \frac{1}{(2\pi \cdot f)^2 \cdot L_{S,cm}} = \frac{1}{(2\pi \cdot 53KHz)^2 \cdot 9,9\mu H} = 900nF$$

- Assuming a 36V DC input voltage as an example

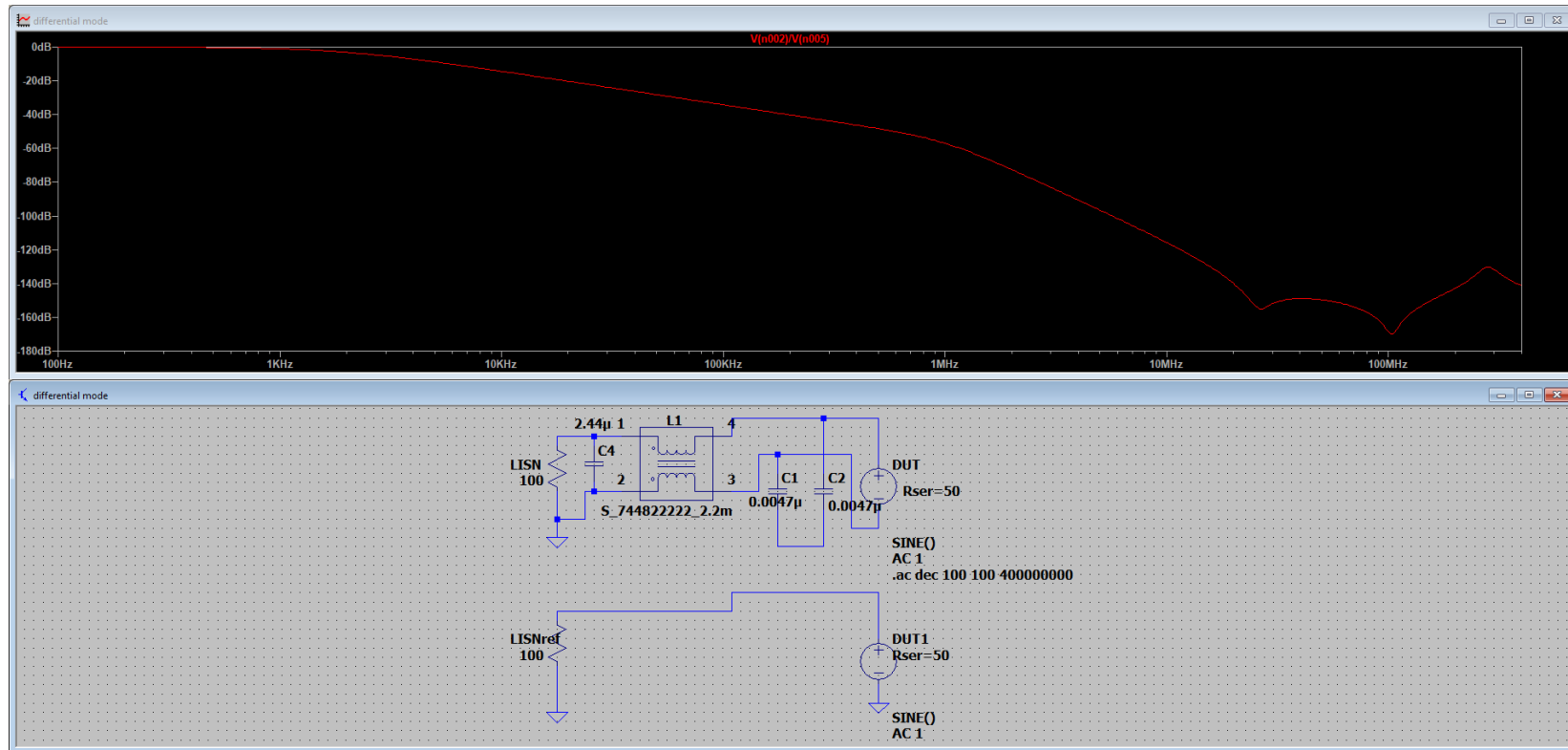


- 885012209048 (4,7µF/50V1210), Tolerance reserve and DC bias!

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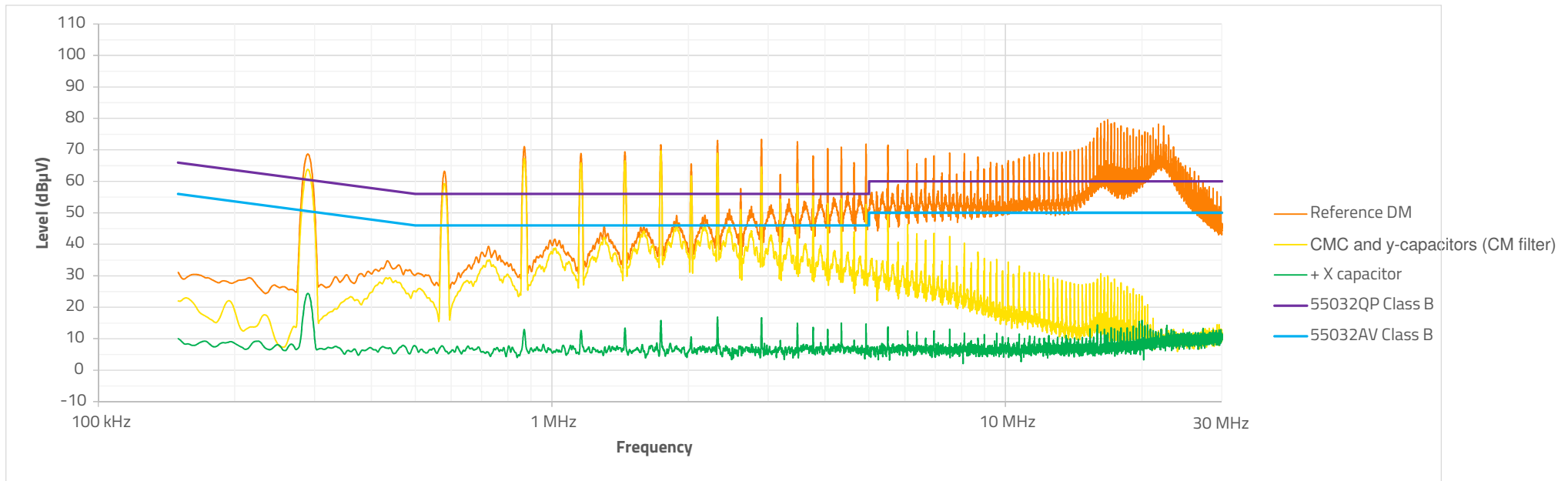
Differential mode filter calculation

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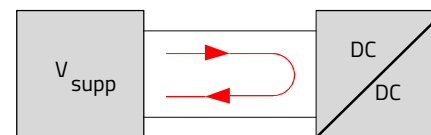


Differential mode filter calculation

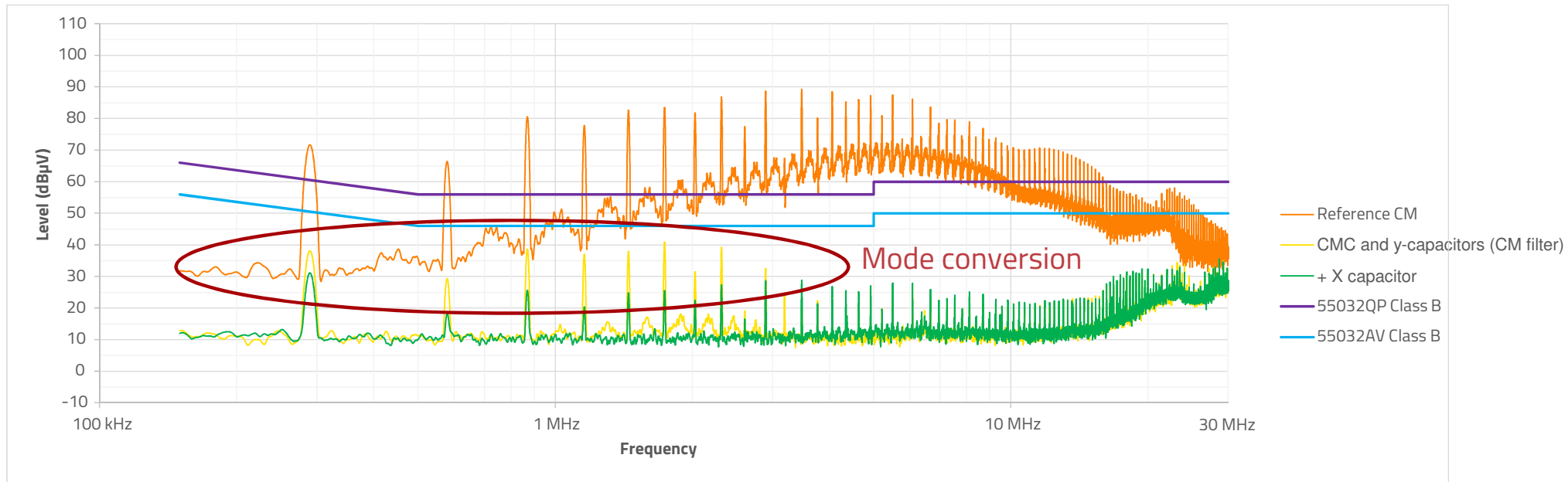
Step 5 – Measurement on differential mode noise



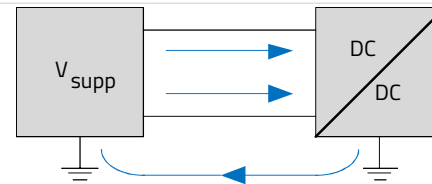
Differential Mode



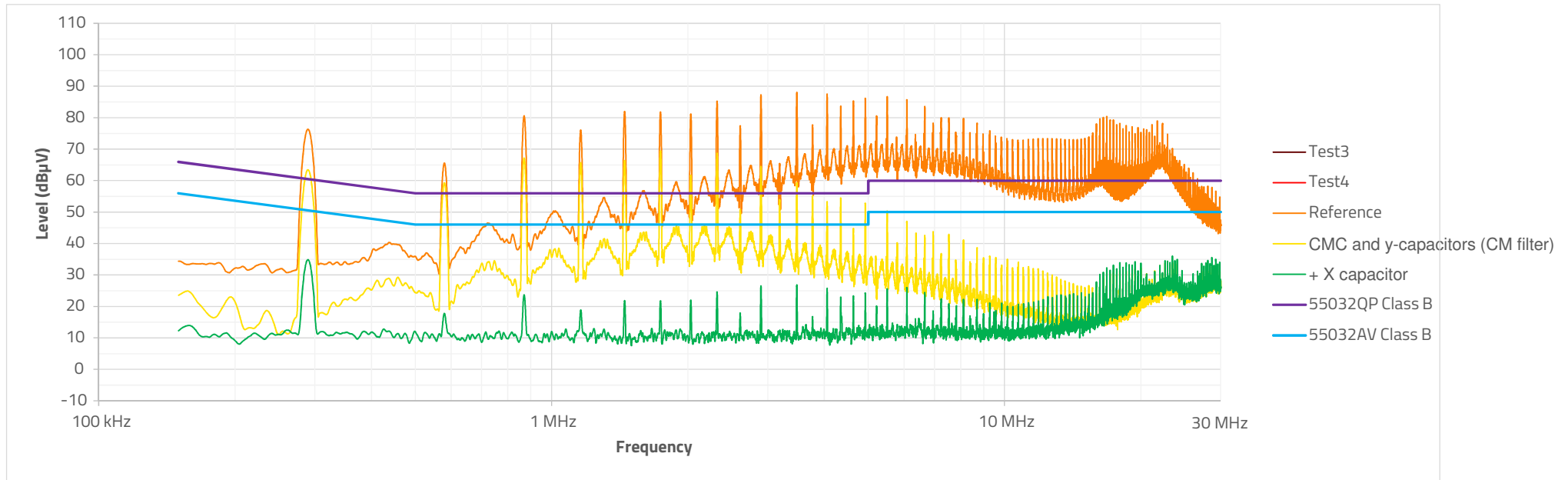
Common mode result



Common Mode



Total conducted emissions - Line



Combined

