



GLOBAL POWER DESIGN SEMINAR TOUR



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Global agenda

- **8:30 - 9H Registration and welcome coffee**
- 9H-9H50: SMPS tips and tricks
- **9:55-10:45: Filtering considerations for DC/DC converters**
 - 10:45-11:10: Break – Networking
- **11:10-12:00: Art of Loop Compensation**
 - 12:00-13:00: Lunch
- 13:00-13:50: LTspice examples
- **13:55-14:45: Smart selection of inductors and capacitors**
 - 14:45-15:10: Break – Networking
- 15:10-16:00: PCB board layout optimization



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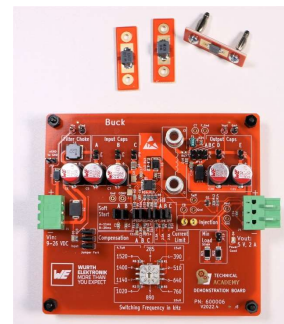


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SMPS TOPOLOGIES TIPS AND TRICKS



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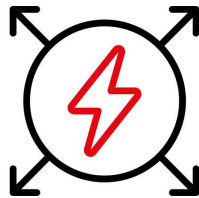


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SMPS tips and tricks

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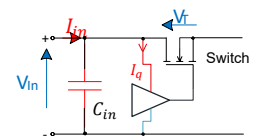
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SMPS tips and tricks

- MOSFETs selection

- Gate current consumption

Depending, U (V_{gate}), Input gate capacitance and frequency of switching



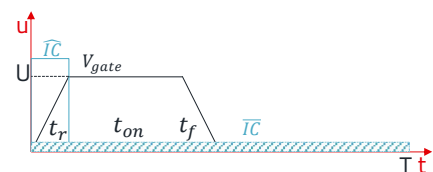
$$\bar{I}_c = \frac{1}{T} \cdot \int_0^T \hat{I}_c = \frac{1}{T} \cdot \int_0^{t_r} \hat{I}_c = \frac{1}{T} \cdot \hat{I}_c \cdot t_r$$

and

$$\hat{I}_c = C \cdot \frac{\Delta U}{\Delta t} = C \cdot \frac{U}{t_r}$$

$$\text{Finally cancel time : } \bar{I}_c = \frac{1}{T} \cdot C \cdot \frac{U}{t_r} \cdot t_r = U \cdot C \cdot \frac{1}{T} = Q_g \cdot f$$

$$\bar{I}_c = U \cdot C \cdot f = Q_g \cdot f$$



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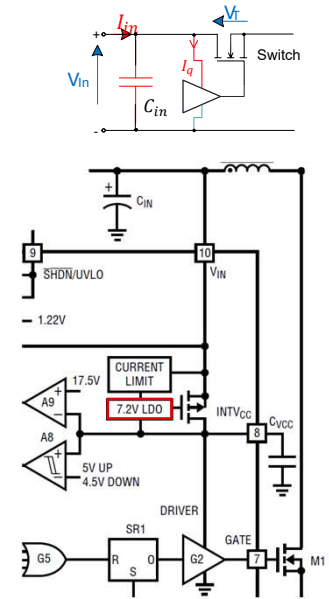
- Driver limits
 - Power limits
 - We know how much current is necessary to power the MOSFET gate:

$$\bar{I_C} = U \cdot C \cdot f = Q_g \cdot f$$

- A special care must be observed about power limits of the driver for MOSFET driving, here an example with an internal LDO; specially at "high" voltages.
- Internal quiescent current I_q is in general quite small regarding gate driving needs.

$$P_{diss} = (V_{in} - V_{LDO}) \cdot (\bar{I_C} + I_q)$$

- Depending overall thermal resistance of the IC mounted on PCB, too much dissipation could lead to thermal runaway or self-protection.



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SMPS tips and tricks

- MOSFETs selection
 - Gate drive capabilities
 - Based on some datasheet info :

Gate Driver

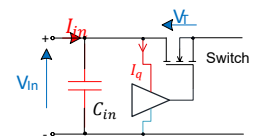
t_r Gate Driver Output Rise Time	$C_L = 3300\text{pF}$ (Note 5), $INTV_{CC} = 7.5\text{V}$	22	ns
t_f Gate Driver Output Fall Time	$C_L = 3300\text{pF}$ (Note 5), $INTV_{CC} = 7.5\text{V}$	20	ns

$$\hat{I} = C \cdot \frac{\Delta U}{\Delta t} = C_{gate} \cdot \frac{V_{gate}}{t_r} = 3,3\text{nF} \cdot \frac{7,5}{20\text{ns}} \approx 1,2\text{A}$$

$$C_{gate} = C_{iss} \text{ in datasheets}$$

Despite of lack of information maximum drive strength could be retrieved.

Source : [LT3758-3758A](#)



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- MOSFETs losses
 - Conduction losses, when closed
 - Switching losses, during transitions
 - Leak losses, when open

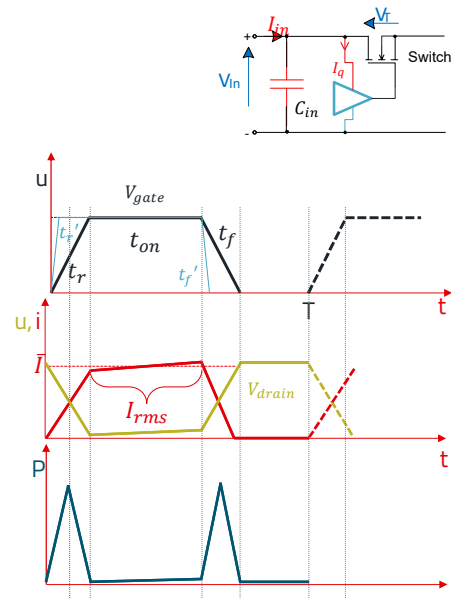
Consider **driver** rise and fall timings t_r' and t_f' insignificant vs MOSFET

Consider MOSFET delays t_{don} and t_{doff} as null

Consider $I_{rms} \approx \bar{I}$ for realistic current ripple

- $P_{Cond} = R_{ds_{on}} \cdot I_{rms}^2$ $R_{ds_{on}}$ = MOSFET closed resistance
- $P_{sw} \approx \frac{U \cdot \bar{I} \cdot t_r}{2 \cdot T} + \frac{U \cdot \bar{I} \cdot t_f}{2 \cdot T}$ U = voltage accross MOSFET
- $P_{leak} = U \cdot I_{leak}$ I_{leak} = leakage current

$$P_{Tot} = U \cdot I_{leak} + R_{DS_{ON}} \cdot I_{RMS}^2 + \frac{U \cdot \bar{I}}{2 \cdot T} \cdot (t_r + t_f)$$



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SMPS tips and tricks

- What is the **best** MOSFET ?!
 - Sometimes parameters could confuse designer and make mistakes happen
- Most common: speak about **$R_{DS_{ON}}$** all other parameters already selected
- What is the best choice for best performances in a converter ?

BSC066N06NS			BSC028N06NS		
Parameter	Value	Unit	Parameter	Value	Unit
Vds	60	V	Vds	60	V
RDSon	6,6	mΩ	RDSon	2,8	mΩ
Id	64	A	Id	132	A
Qoss	19	nC	Qoss	43	nC
Qg	17	nC	Qg	37	nC
tr	3	ns	tr	38	ns
tf	3	ns	tf	8	ns

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SMPS tips and tricks

Example converter with :

$24V_{in}$; $5V_{out}$; $f_{sw} = 250kHz$; $I_{out} = 5A$

BSC066N06NS

BSC028N06NS

$$P_{Tot} = U \cdot I_{DSS} + RDS_{ON} \cdot I_{RMS}^2 + \frac{U \cdot \bar{I} \cdot f_{sw}}{2} \cdot (t_r + t_f)$$

$$P_{Tot} = 24V \cdot 100\mu A + 6,6m\Omega \cdot 25 + \frac{19 \cdot 5 \cdot 250kHz}{2} \cdot (3ns + 3ns) \quad \text{2,3x less } RDS_{ON}$$

$$P_{Tot} = 24V \cdot 100\mu A + 2,8m\Omega \cdot 25 + \frac{19 \cdot 5 \cdot 250kHz}{2} \cdot (38ns + 8ns)$$

$$P_{Tot} = 2,4mW + 165mW + 71mW = 238mW$$

$$P_{Tot} = 2,4mW + 70mW + 546mW = 618mW$$

x2,6 more losses !

Despite of more than half RDS_{ON} , dynamic behavior is near catastrophic and no so huge frequency

The best choice is not the one who seems to be

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FILTERING CONSIDERATIONS FOR DC/DC CONVERTERS



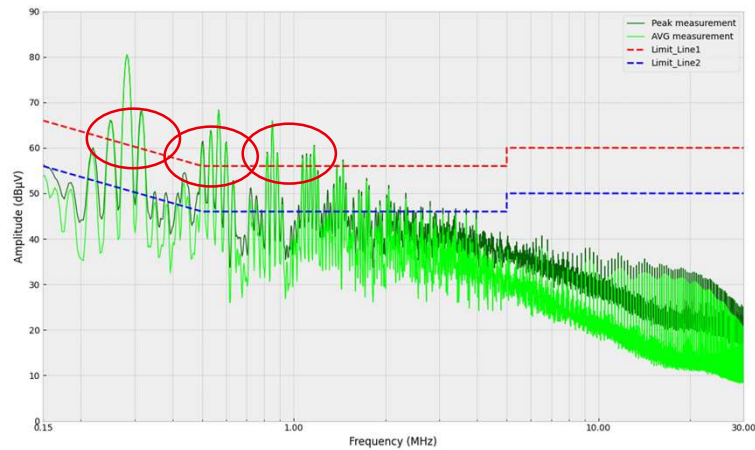
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SMPS FILTERING

Why do we need a filter ?

- How to meet EMC standards requirements?



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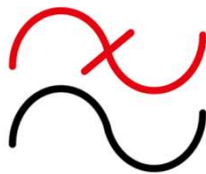


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Filtering considerations

- SMPS filtering
 - Common mode
 - Differential mode



- Input filtering
- Output filtering



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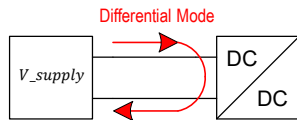


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EMI noises sources and types : Two different coupling schemes exists

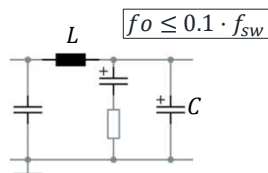
▪ Differential mode



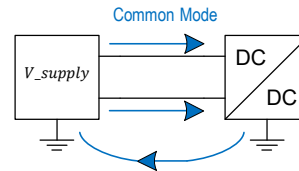
- Source from current loop di/dt
- Coupling by inductive way
- More related to main switch frequency and harmonics

➤ Filtered by LC filter

$$f_0 = \frac{1}{(2 \cdot \pi \cdot \sqrt{L \cdot C})}$$



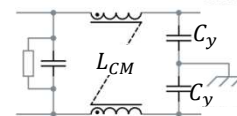
▪ Common mode



- Source from voltage dv/dt
- Coupling via capacitive way
- More related to switching noises and ringing

➤ Filtered by **Common Mode Choke** filter and Y-Caps

$$f_0 = \frac{1}{(2 \cdot \pi \cdot \sqrt{L_{CM} \cdot 2 \cdot C_y})}$$



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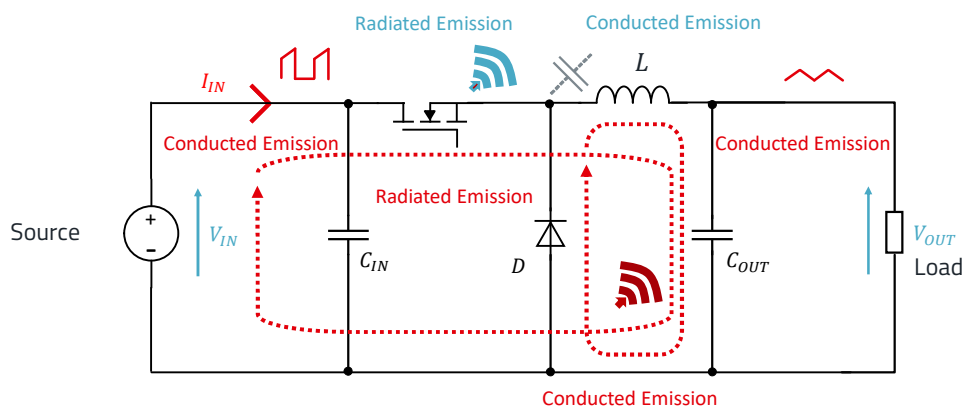
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WHERE THE NOISE COME FROM

Buck topology



High di/dt cause differential mode currents by magnetic loops
High dv/dt common mode currents through parasitic capacitances

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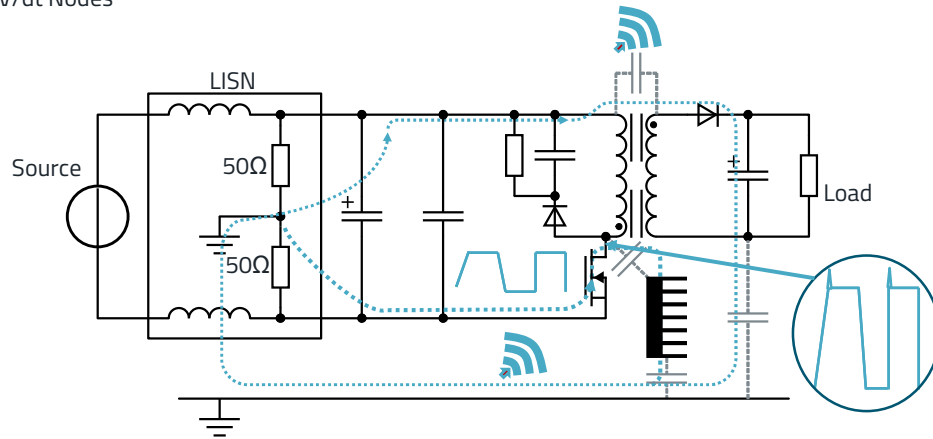
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WHERE THE NOISE COME FROM

Flyback : High dV/dt Nodes



High dV/dt common mode currents through parasitic capacitances
(electric dipole and monopole antennas)

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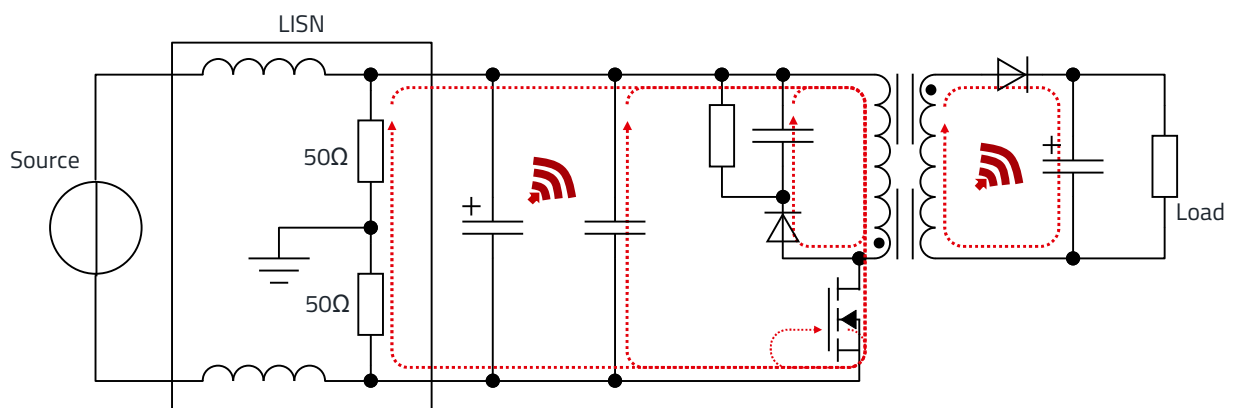
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Flyback : High di/dt Loops



Inductive coupling caused by high di/dt differential mode currents
(magnetic loop antennas)

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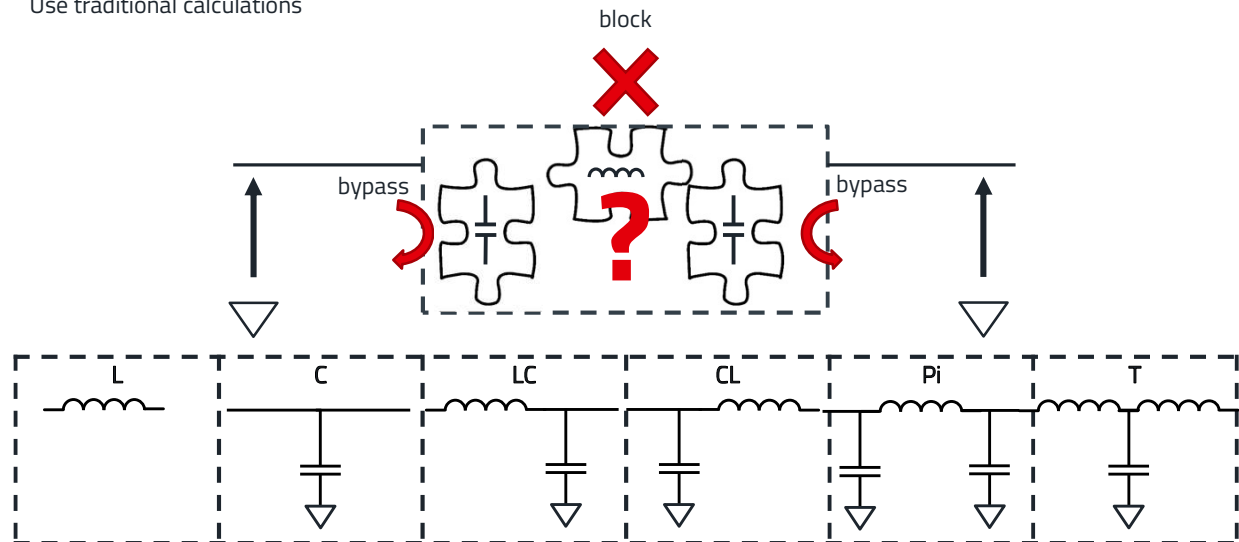
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FILTER TOPOLOGIES FOR IMPEDANCE SYSTEM

Use traditional calculations



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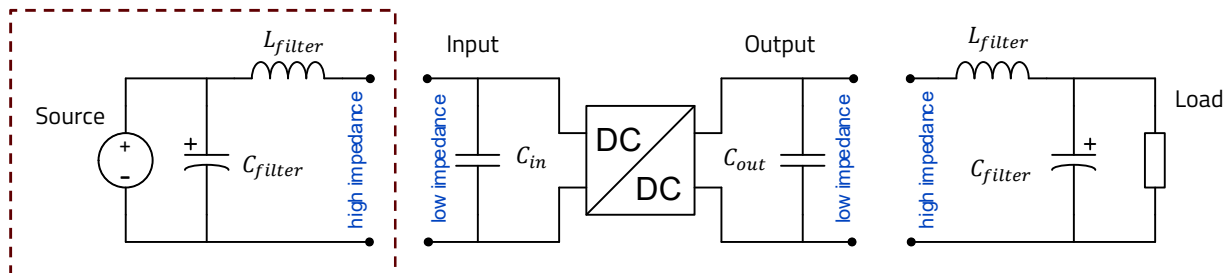
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SMPS filtering : differential mode

- Quick design : differential mode filtering
 - A rule of thumb is to set first -40dB attenuation noises, to set filter frequency $\frac{1}{10}$ of switching frequency.

$$L_{\text{filter}} = \frac{1}{\left(2 \cdot \pi \cdot \frac{f_{\text{sw}}}{10}\right)^2 \cdot C_{\text{filter}}}$$



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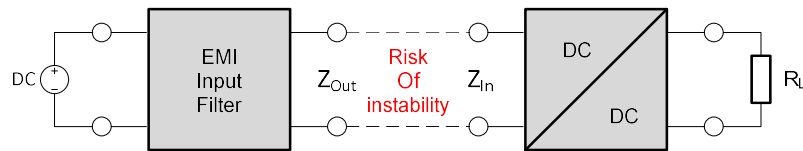
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OSCILLATION AT CONVERTER INPUT

CE DIFFERENTIAL MODE INPUT FILTER DESIGN



- Adding an input EMI filter to converter input can cause oscillation at converter input
- Problem could arise : the converter no longer meets response specification and may even become unstable!!!

Why????

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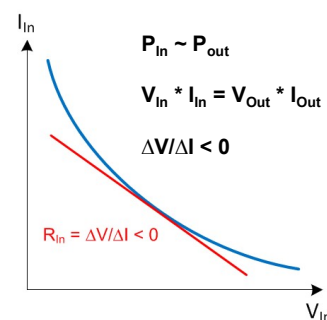
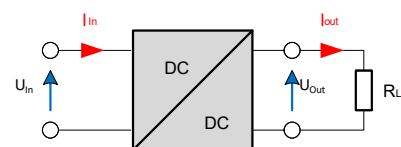
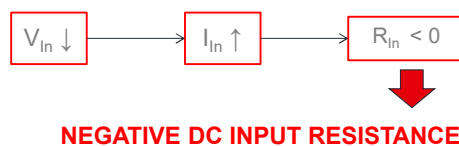


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INPUT IMPEDANCE OF CONVERTER (AN EXPLANATION)

CE DIFFERENTIAL MODE INPUT FILTER DESIGN

- Input and output power of converter is near the same (efficiency drop)
- Under stable conditions output power is constant
- If the input voltage falls, the input current increases
- Voltage-current line has a negative slope



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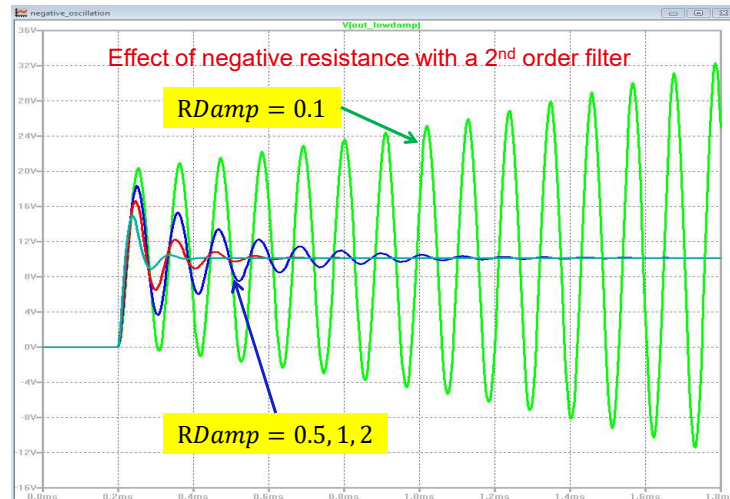


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INSTABILITY

CE DIFFERENTIAL MODE INPUT FILTER DESIGN

Take care



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FILTERING DRAWBACK SOLUTION

SMPS filtering

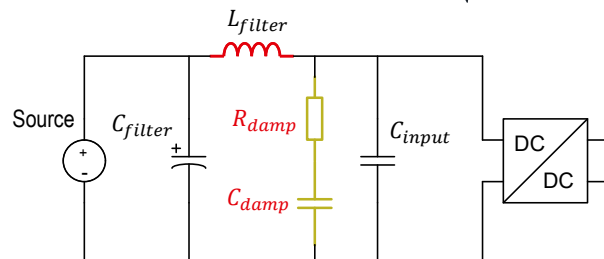
Filter fitting

- Caution must be observed with filtering, when inserting **magnetics** in power lines
- Dampening is necessary to calm down any resonance effect
 - A dampening factor ζ of 0.707 is sufficient

- A rule of thumb is to set few ohms max to R_{damp}
- C_{damp} value near to C_{input} to avoid high 'n' value
- 'n' should be 4 or 6

$$n = \frac{C_{damp}}{C_{filter}} \quad \zeta = \frac{n+1}{n} \cdot \frac{L_{filter}}{2 \cdot R_{damp} \cdot \sqrt{L_{filter} \cdot C_{input}}}$$

- Possible with different capacitor technologies



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CALCULATING INPUT FILTER COMPONENTS VALUES

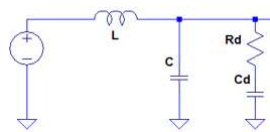
1) Calculate damping capacitor

$$C_d = n \cdot C_f \quad \text{with } n = 4 \text{ or } 6$$

2) Calculate damping Resistor

$$R_d = \sqrt{\frac{L_f}{C_f} \frac{(n+1)}{2n}} \sqrt{\frac{2n^2(4+n)}{(2+n)(4+3n)}}$$

Keeping the same values of undamped filter, we can add an R_d and a C_d as follows:



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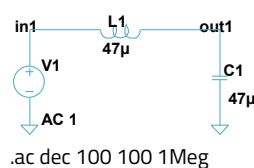
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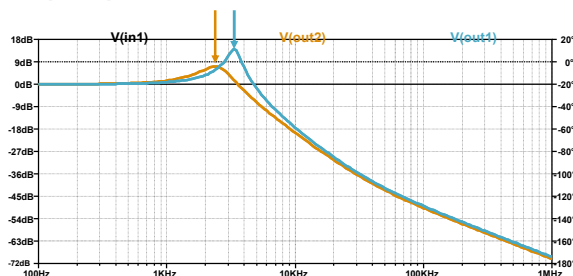
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SMPS filtering : differential mode

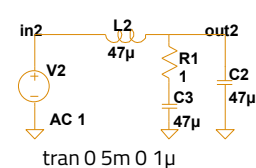


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■ Frequency domain :

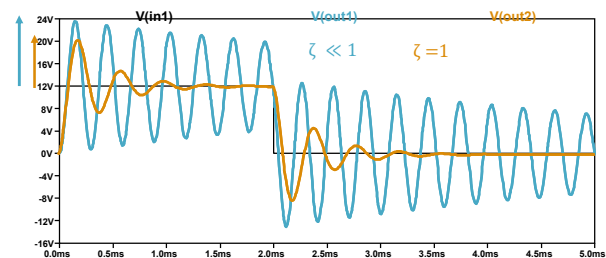


PULSE(0 12 0 100n 100n 2m 5m)



tran 0 5m 0 1μ

■ Time domain:



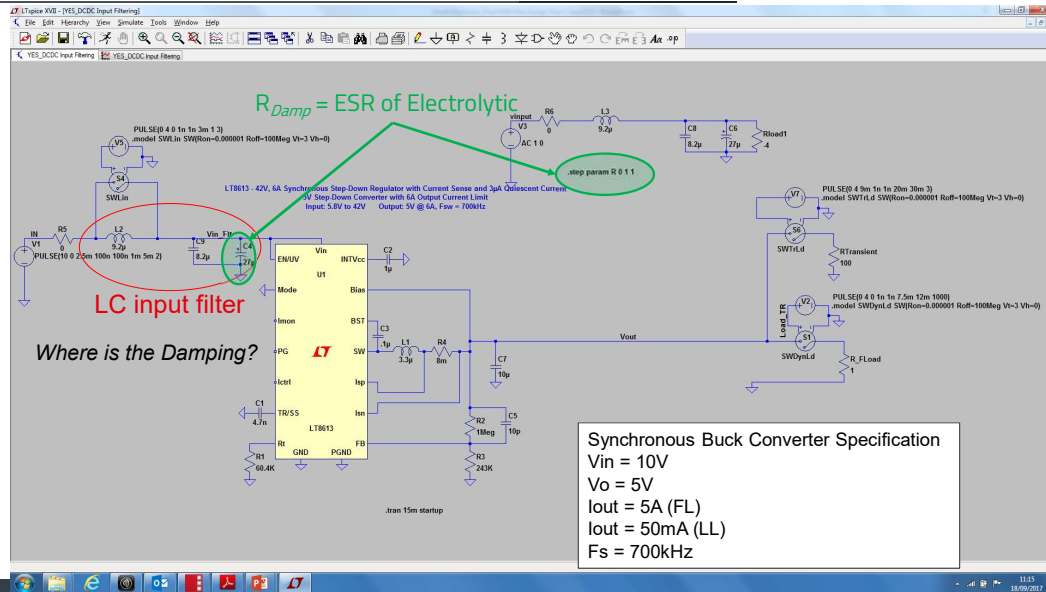
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CE DIFFERENTIAL MODE FILTER DESIGN – BUCK EXAMPLE



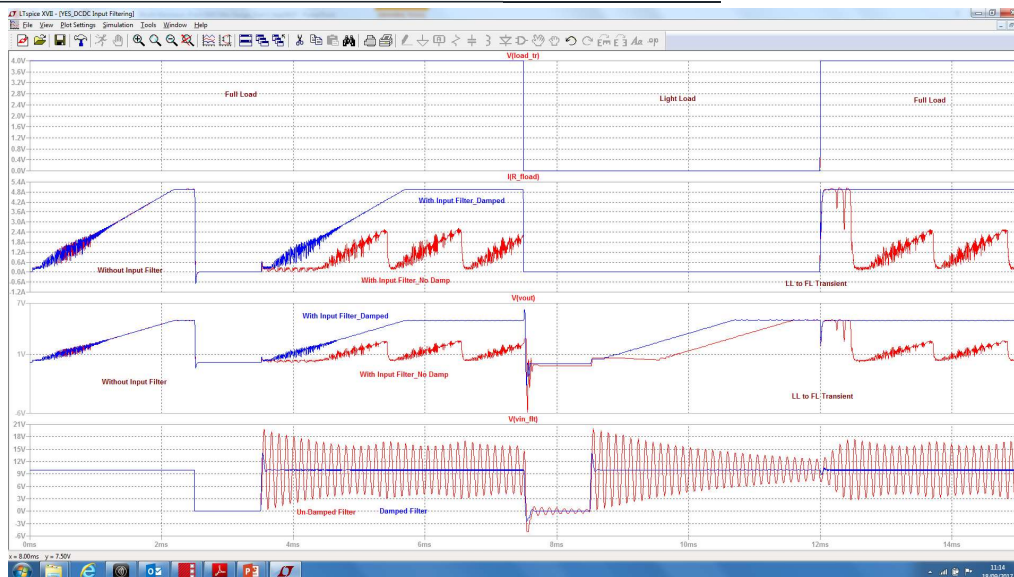
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CE DIFFERENTIAL MODE FILTER DESIGN – BUCK EXAMPLE



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FILTER TOPOLOGIES FOR IMPEDANCE SYSTEM

Use **REDEXPERT** Tool: SMART way

EMI Filter Designer for differential mode:
Use this application to design a discrete electronic EMI filter for conducted differential noise, for example from your DC-DC converter, and evaluate the realistic response based on real components.

Project's Title:

Title
My EMI Filter project

Input parameters:

Operating voltage
12.0 V

Operating current
500 mA

Load / LISN impedance
100 Ω

Noise source impedance
100 m Ω

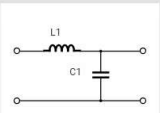
Cut-off frequency
☐ 100 kHz

☒ Cut-off frequency:
20.0 kHz

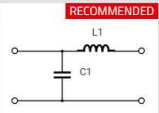
Attenuation
☒ 20.0 dB

at Frequency
200 kHz

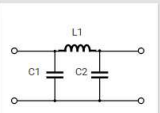
Topology:



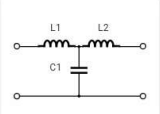
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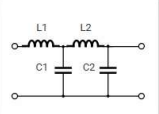
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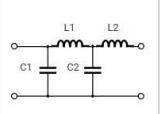
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T-Filter



4th-Order LC-CL



4th-Order CL-CL

Advanced

☒ SMD components only

☒ Shielded inductors only

☐ High temperature (125°C)

☐ Shared input capacitor DC/DC converter

<https://redexpert.we-online.com/we-redexpert/en/#/emifd-embedded>

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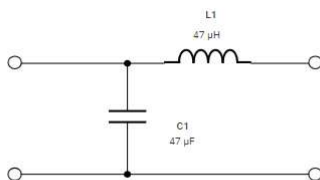



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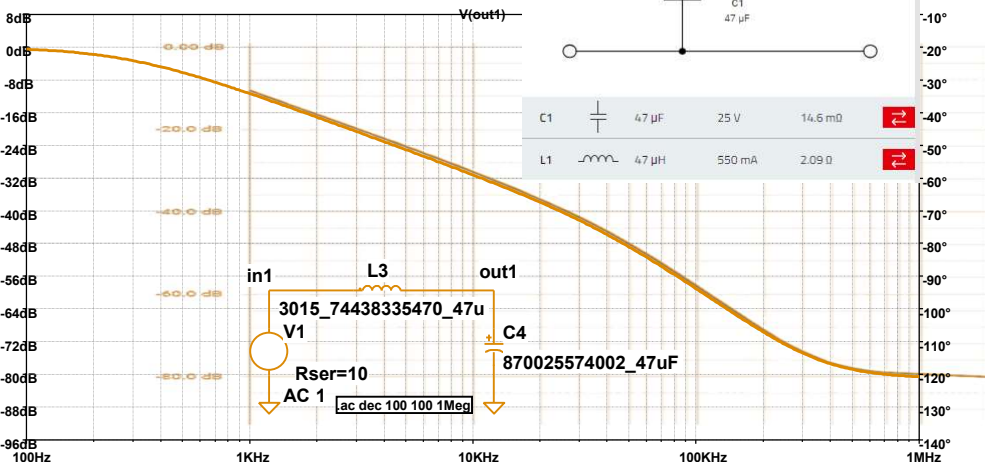
SMPS filtering : differential mode

- LtSpice and **REDEXPERT** comparison: same results!

My EMI Filter project



C1	47 μ F	25 V	14.6 m Ω
L1	47 μ H	550 mA	2.09 Ω



in1, L3, out1, V1, Rser=10, AC 1, C4, 870025574002_47uF

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FILTER TOPOLOGIES FOR IMPEDANCE SYSTEM

Use **REDEXPERT** Tool: SMART way → EMI Filter Designer

REDEXPERT

EMI Filter Designer

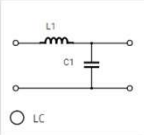
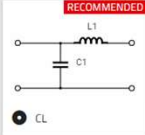
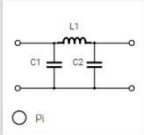
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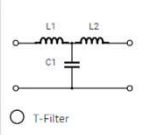
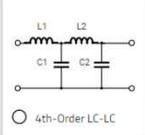
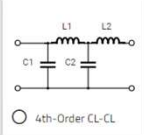
Project's Title:
Title: My EMI Filter project

Input parameters:

Operating voltage: 12.0 V	Operating current: 500 mA
Load / LISN impedance: 100 Ω	Noise source impedance: 100 m Ω
Cut-off frequency: 100 kHz	① Cut-off frequency: 50.0 kHz
Attenuation: ☒ 40 dB	at Frequency: 500 kHz

Topology:

Advanced

- ☒ SMD components only
- ☒ Shielded inductors only
- ☒ High temperature (125 °C)
- ☐ Shared input capacitor

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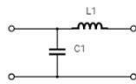



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FILTER TOPOLOGIES FOR IMPEDANCE SYSTEM

REDEXPERT EMI Filter Designer

Circuit Schematic



Specifications

Edit

"My EMI Filter project"

TYPE: CL
 V_{op} : 12.0 V
 I_{op} : 500 mA
 LOAD / LISN IMPEDANCE: 100 Ω
 NOISE SOURCE IMPEDANCE: 100 m Ω
 ILOSS: -46.6 dB@500 kHz

Bill Of Materials

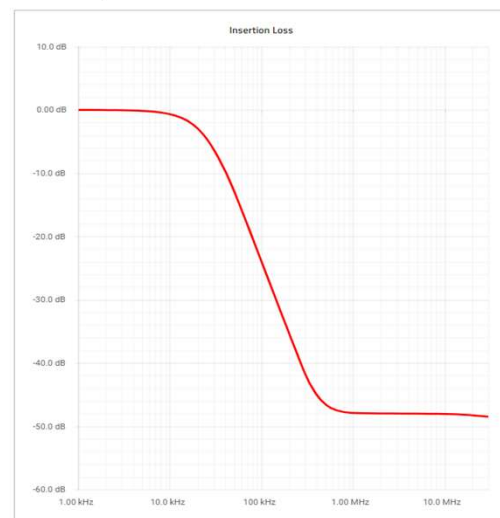
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#	N...	Order Code	Value	Properties	Qty
1.	C1	875105445006	47.0 μ F	Capacitance = 47.0 μ F Footprint = 43.6 mm ² Rated Voltage = 20.0 V Height = 7.70 mm	1
2.	L1	744383130082	820 nH	Footprint = 2.56 mm ² Inductance = 820 nH Rated Current = 2.35 A DC Resistance = 115 m Ω	1

REDEXPERT Filter Designer

PARAMETERS SELECTION AND SIMULATION SUMMARY

Simulation Responses



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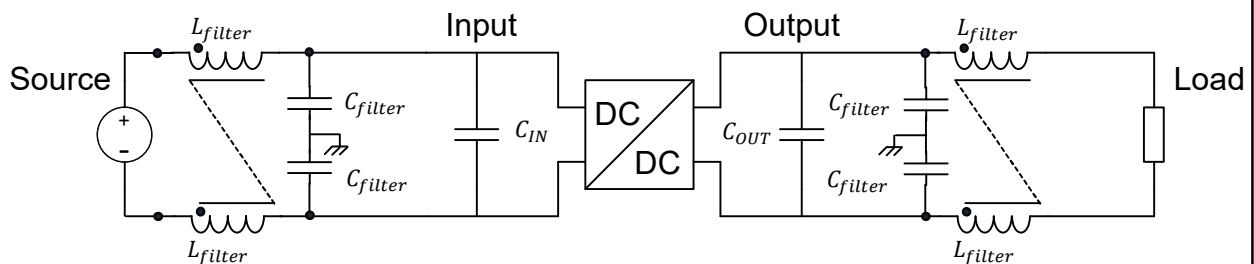
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GLOBAL FILTERING

SMPS filtering : common mode

- Quick design : common mode filtering
 - To reach around 30dB~40dB attenuation :
 - Corner frequency of LC filter < 5~10 time less than converter working frequency.

$$L_{\text{filter}} = \frac{1}{\left(2 \cdot \pi \cdot \frac{f_{\text{sw}}}{5 \sim 10}\right)^2 \cdot C_{\text{filter}}}$$



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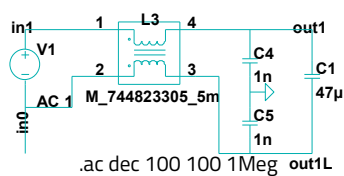
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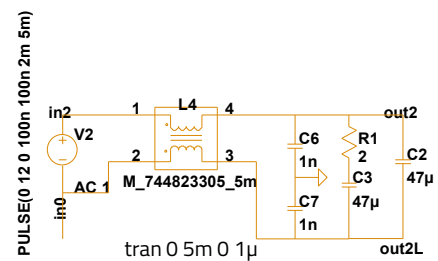
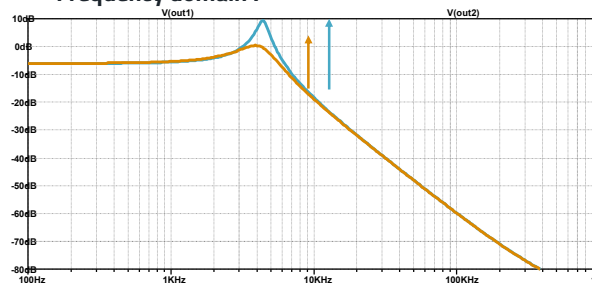
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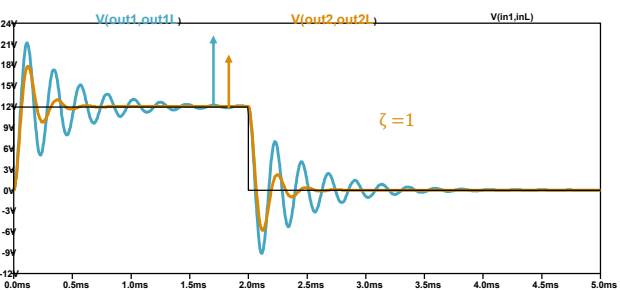
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Frequency domain :



Time domain:



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DCDC & ACDC Filter Calculation / LT Spice Simulation / Measurement / Layout

ANP015

APPLICATION NOTE

ANP015 | 1-Phase Line Filter Design



Andreas Nadler and Stefan Klein

01. INTRODUCTION

The aim of this application note is to provide the reader with a comprehensive overview of the steps necessary toward a suitably dimensioned line filter whose format is as compact as possible. A discrete single-stage line filter is compared here with a discrete two-stage line filter by means of calculation, simulation and measurement. The different core materials of the common mode chokes and their properties are then explained. This application note also addresses the calculation of: varistors, leakage currents and discharge resistors. It requires a certain knowledge of passive components, filters and EMC measurement techniques.

02. PRECOMPLIANCE MEASUREMENT SETUP

The two different interference current paths have to be distinguished: common mode (CM) and differential mode (DM). In an EMC acceptance test, both interference current

The two measurement outputs (I_{LRF} and N_{LRF}) of the LISN are connected to the analog inputs 1 and 2 (50 Ω) of an oscilloscope. The mathematical function of the oscilloscope is then used to determine the interference voltage for DM and CM:

$$V_{DM} = \frac{V_{LRF} - V_{NRF}}{2} \tag{1}$$

$$V_{CM} = \frac{V_{LRF} + V_{NRF}}{2} \tag{2}$$

For precompliance measurement, a Rohde & Schwarz RTA4004 oscilloscope with 500 MHz analog bandwidth is used in conjunction with the desktop software R&S EMI Debug Tool and a CISPR16 LISN (own construction) (setup in Figure 2).



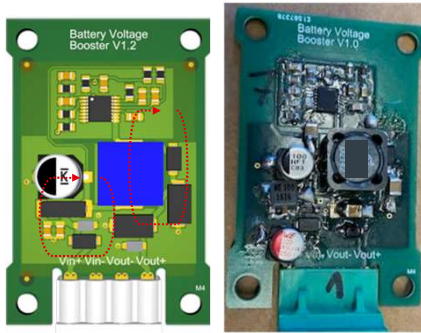
REAL SHOWCASE



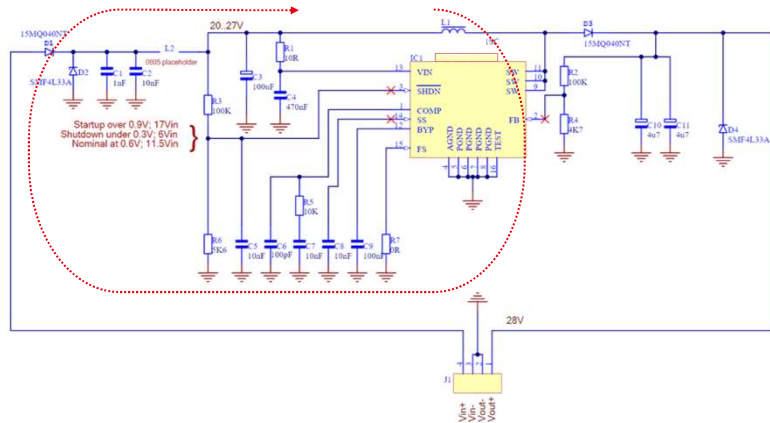
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Real board from a customer support : First release(s)

■ Board



■ Schematic



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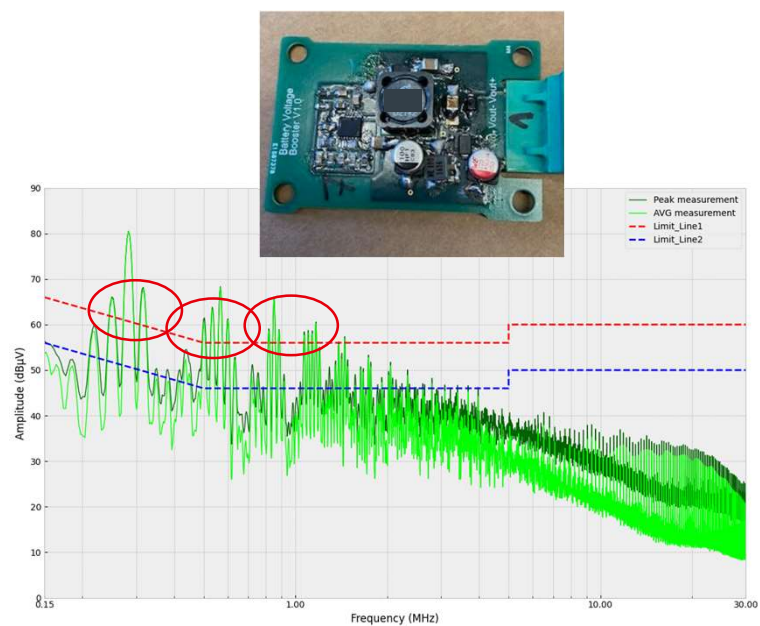


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EMC conducted emissions

■ No filter : no chance to pass EMC



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Why do we need a filter ?

- Real case : application CM + 2* DM (input / output)

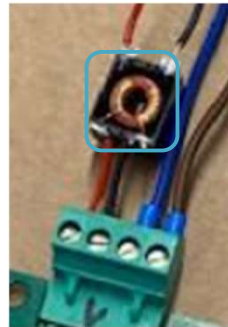
- CM : [WE-UCF](#)



- DM : 2* [WE-LHMI](#)



- Modifications on the first release



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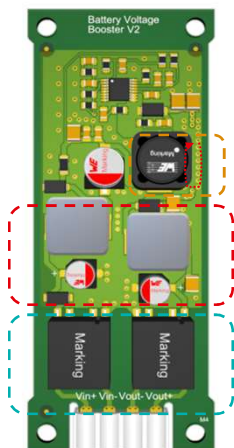


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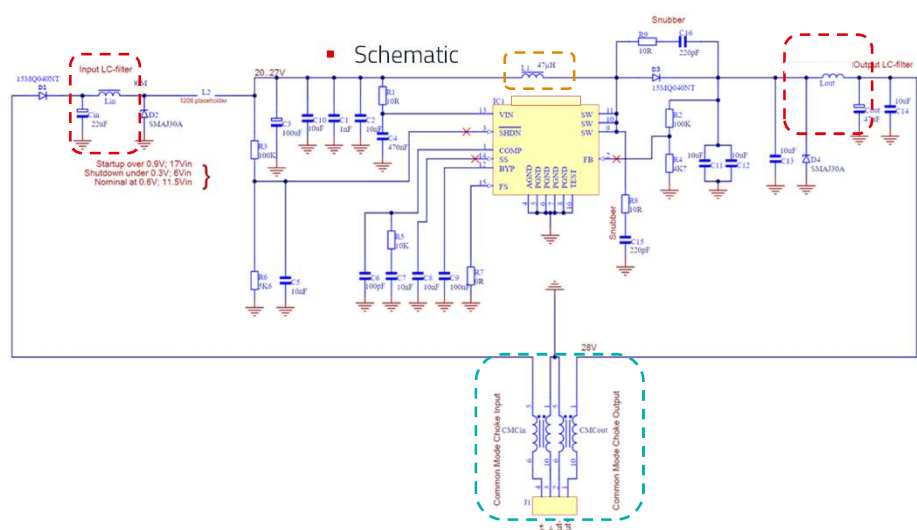
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Last release

- Board



- Schematic



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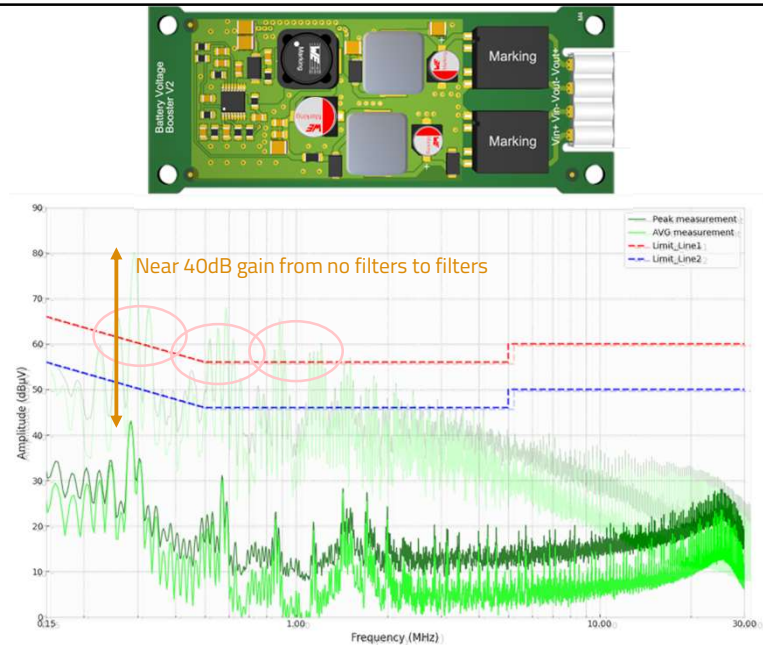
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Final results with a filter!

- Final version !



- But what should be improved?



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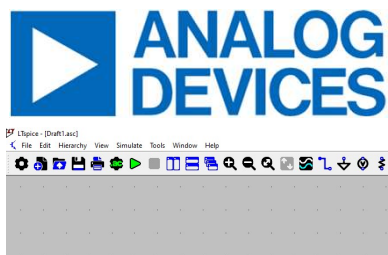


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EMC SIMULATION



- The most portable Lab

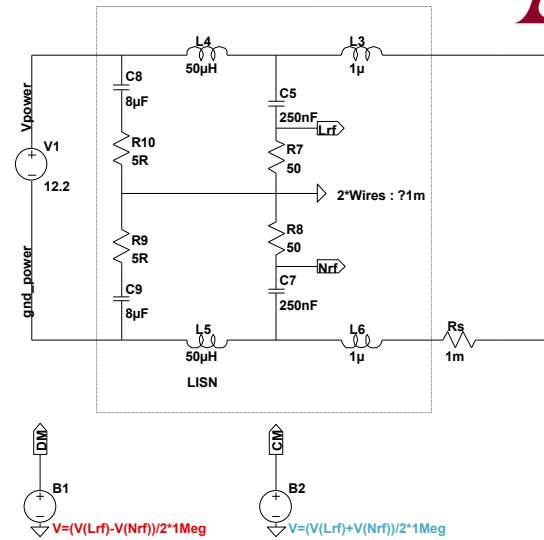


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LTSPICE SIMULATION

LISN

- Schematic
 - Typical schematic for a LISN, very common
- Common mode / differential mode
 - **CM** and **DM** are made from noise nodes Lrf and Nrf with a sum or difference



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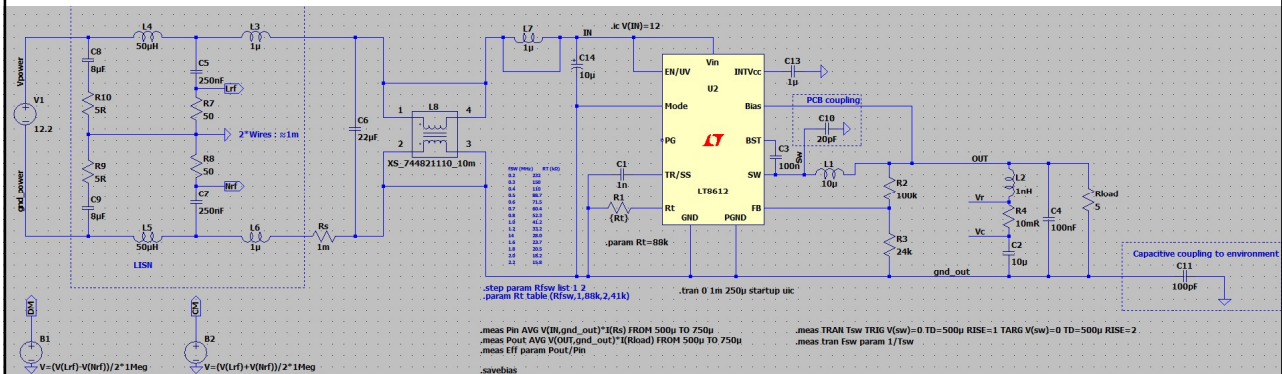


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LTSPICE SIMULATION

Fsw=500kHz, Buck LT8612 12-5V 1A

- Schematic
 - $V_{DM}(\mu V) = \frac{V_{LRF} - V_{NRF}}{2} * 1\,000\,000$
 - $V_{CM}(\mu V) = \frac{V_{LRF} + V_{NRF}}{2} * 1\,000\,000$
 - $dB\mu V = 20 \cdot \log\left(\frac{V(\mu V)}{1\mu V}\right)$ $\Leftrightarrow$ $1\mu V = 0dB\mu V$ $1V = 1\,000\,000\mu V = 20 \cdot \log(10^6) = 120dB\mu V$



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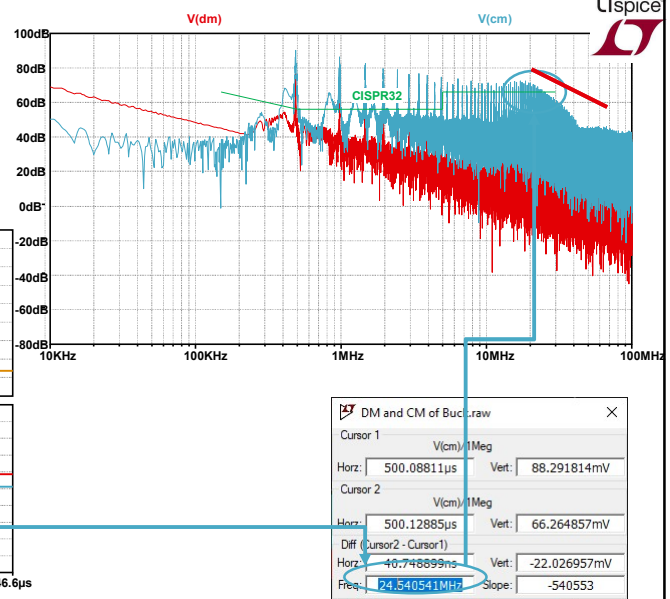
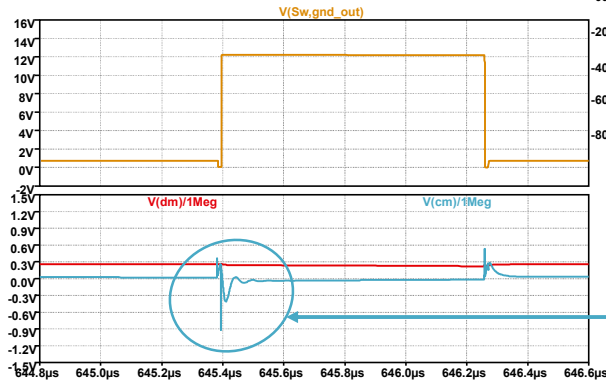


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LTSPICE SIMULATION

Fsw=500kHz, Buck LT8612 12-5V 1A

- Time and frequency link
 - Perturbation frequency



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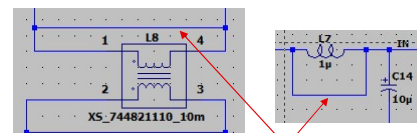


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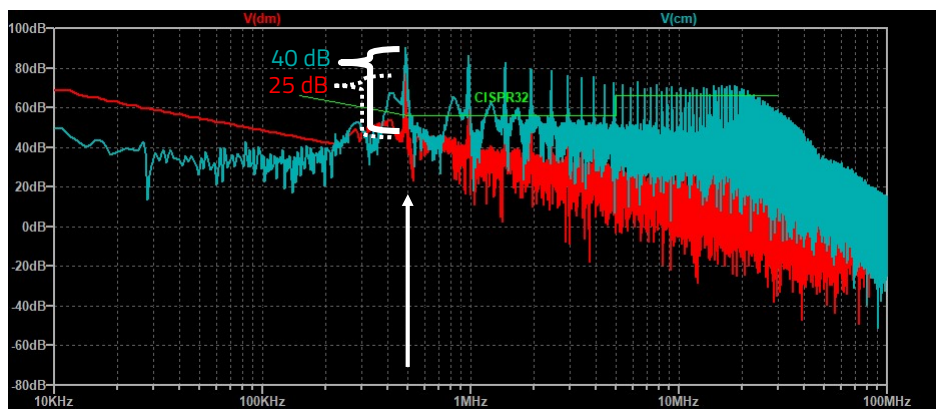
LTSPICE SIMULATION

Fsw=500kHz, Buck LT8612 12-5V 1A

- No filter :extra wideband noises, Fsw main disturbance



Short Circuit



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LTSPICE SIMULATION

REDEXPERT Selection of the differential Mode Inductor

- Quick calculation example

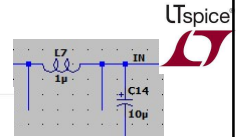
$$L_{\text{filter}} = \frac{1}{\left(2 \cdot \pi \cdot \frac{f_{\text{sw}}}{10}\right)^2 \cdot C_{\text{filter}}} = \frac{1}{\left(2 \cdot \pi \cdot \frac{500k}{10}\right)^2 \cdot 10\mu F}$$

$$L_{\text{filter}} = \frac{1}{(2 \cdot \pi \cdot 50k)^2 \cdot 10\mu F}$$

$$L_{\text{filter}} = 1\mu H$$

Iterative calculation could be used to reach a common value, **frequency does not need to be ultra precise.**

	WE-MI SMT Multilayer Inductor L 0.047 to 33 μH I_B 3 to 300 mA $R_{DC \text{ max}}$ 0.15 to 1.85 Ω
	WE-SD Rod Core Choke L 2 to 10 μH L_1 10 μH I_B 3 to 15 A I_B 15 A R_{DC} 5.7 m Ω
	WE-FI Leaded Toroidal Line Choke EXTENDED L 8.2 to 860 μH L_1 140 to 150 μH I_B 1.1 to 5.4 A $R_{DC \text{ max}}$ 0.042 to 0.26 Ω
	WE-TI Radial Leaded Wire Wound Inductor L 1 to 68000 μH L_1 1500 μH I_B 0.68 A $R_{DC \text{ max}}$ 0.01 Ω to 112000 m Ω
	WE-SI Leaded Toroidal Storage Choke EXTENDED Shielded L 12 to 1619 μH I_B 1.1 to 14.5 A
	WE-RCIT Rod Core Inductor THT L 2 to 10 μH I_B 3 to 15 A R_{DC} 1.7 to 33 m Ω
	WE-RCIS Rod Core Inductor SMT L 1 to 10.4 μH $R_{DC \text{ max}}$ 1.1 to 33 m Ω
	WE-PD2 SMT Power Inductor L 1 to 2200 μH $R_{DC \text{ max}}$ 0.009 to 5.3 Ω
	WE-LQ SMT Inductor Unshielded L 1 to 2200 μH I_B 0.04 to 1.8 A $R_{DC \text{ max}}$ 0.08 to 47 Ω



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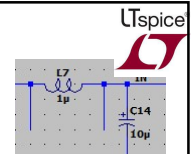
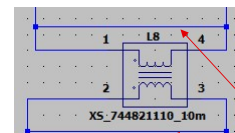
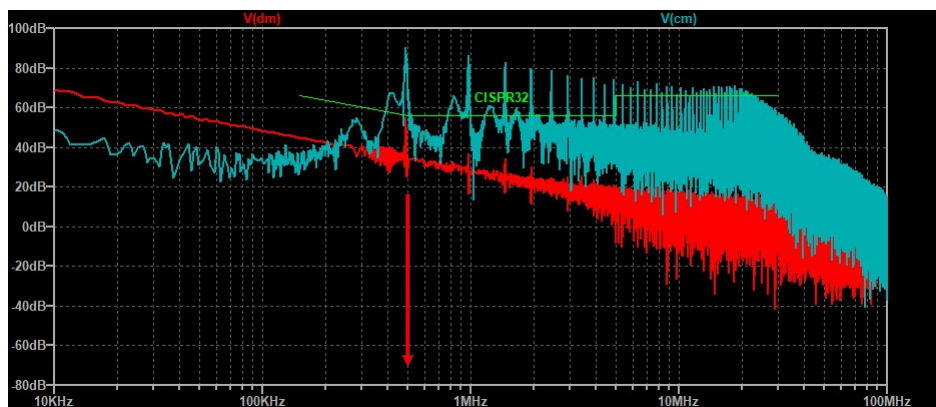


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LTSPICE SIMULATION

LtSpice simulation

- With DM only : DM filtering action !



Short Circuit

$L_{\text{filter}} = 1\mu H$

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LTSPICE SIMULATION

Selection of the Common Mode chokes (Fsw=500kHz, Buck LT8612 12-5V 1A ($I_{in} > 400mA$))

- Need 40 dB for 500kHz and try to find wide BW : 100kHz to 10MHz

Use **REDEXPERT**

WE-CMB – XS comparison

10mH 744821110 seems to be well centered and enough attenuation



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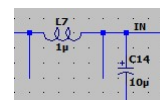
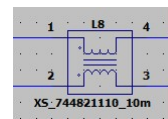
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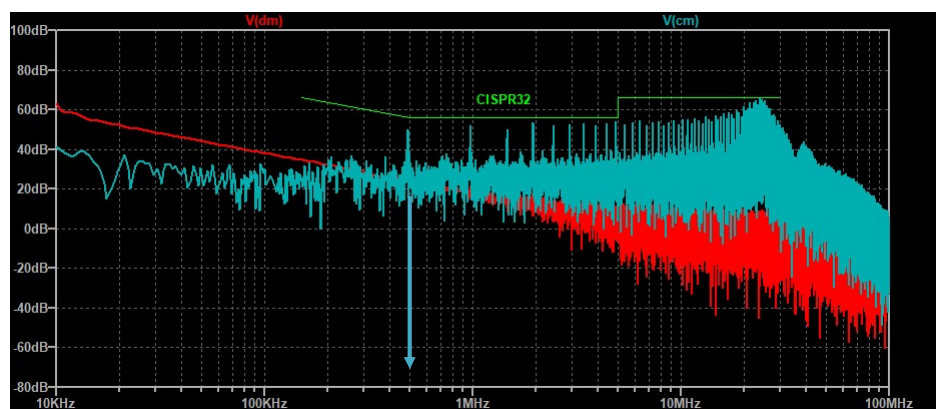
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LtSpice simulation

- With DM+CM : Noise killer... Ready to go to EMC Lab!



LTspice



$L_{CMC}=10mH$

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BREAK

Networking : Take a rest !

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CLOSE THE LOOP!



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ART OF LOOP COMPENSATION

Control theory and loop

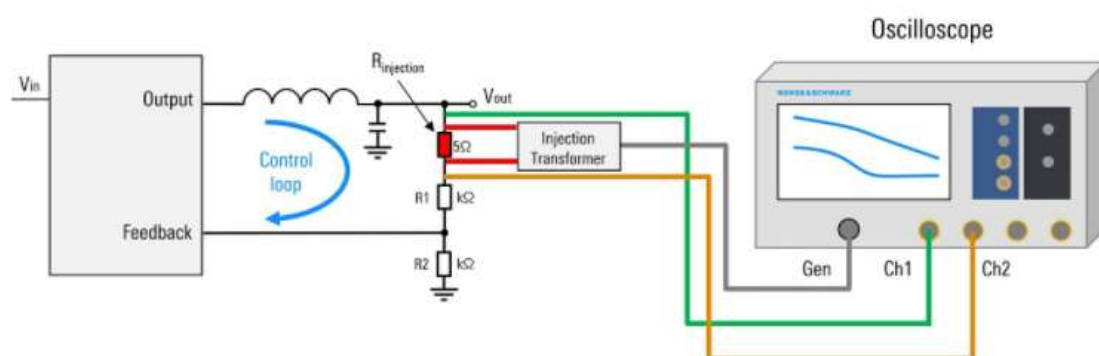
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POSSIBLE SETUP

Bode plot of the control loop (plant + compensator)



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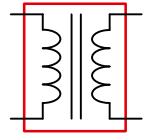


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LOOP COMPENSATION

DIY Injection transformer

- Use a wideband common mode choke as small signal transformer
- BOM:
 - Choke: **35mH** [WE-CMBNC #7448040435](#)
 - Box: [Z116PH/RD](#) by Kradex
 - Bananas: [bil-20-sw](#) & [bil-20-rt](#) HIRSCHMANN T&M
 - Coax: [4067878](#) Amphenol RF



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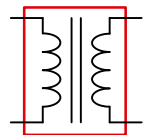
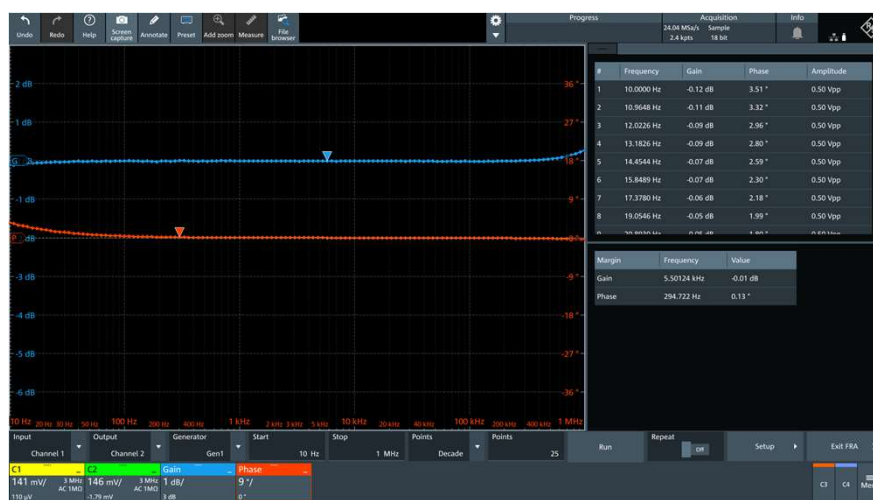
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LOOP COMPENSATION

DIY Injection transformer : flat response from 10Hz to 1 MHz!



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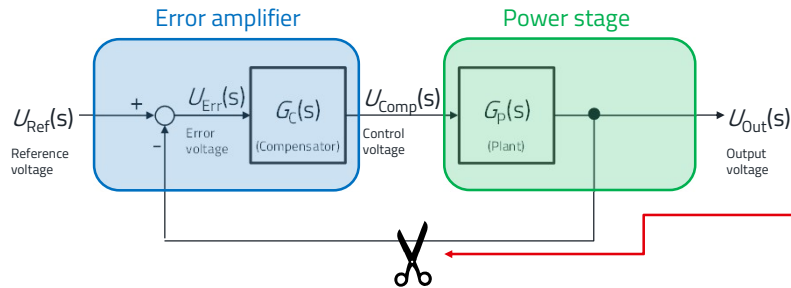


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BASICS OF CONTROL THEORY

Open / Close loop transfer function

$$\text{transfer function (s)} = \frac{\text{Output (s)}}{\text{Input (s)}}$$



Closed Loop / Block-diagram

- $U_{Ref}(s)$: Reference voltage = setpoint
- $U_{Er}(s)$: Error voltage = Error
- $U_{Comp}(s)$: Control voltage = system input
- $U_{Out}(s)$: Output voltage = system output
- $G_C(s)$: Transfer function of the compensator
- $G_P(s)$: Transfer function of the plant

$$G_{OL}(s) = \frac{U_{out}(s)}{U_{Err}(s)} = G_C(s) \cdot G_P(s)$$

➤ Open loop transfer function

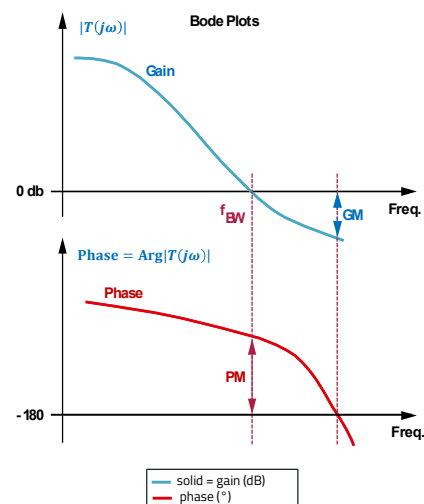
$$\mathbf{G}_{CL}(s) = \frac{U_{Out}(s)}{U_{Ref}(s)} = \frac{\mathbf{G}_{OL}(s)}{1 + \mathbf{G}_{OL}(s)}$$

➤ Closed loop transfer function

LOOP COMPENSATION

Theory refresh

- **Cross over frequency (bandwidth) - f_{BW}**
 - Frequency at which the gain crosses 0dB („1")
- **Phase margin - P_M**
 - Phase left to -180° when the gain reaches 0dB
 - **Important note:**
 - If the open loop transfer function is measured in a closed loop configuration (by Frequency Response Analysis) -180° corresponds to 0°
 - Reason is the inverting behavior of the error amplifier which is automatically considered
 - The phase margin can be read directly from 0° (this is the case in all following slides)
- **Gain margin - G_M**
 - Gain below 0dB when the phase reaches -180° („-")

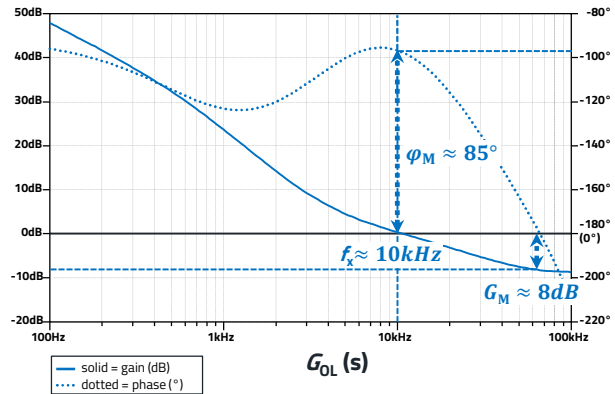


Typical bode plot – Open loop

BASICS OF CONTROL THEORY

Identify stability on an open loop bode plot

- **Cross over frequency (bandwidth) - f_x**
 - Frequency at which the gain crosses 0dB („1“)
 - Usually a maximum of 1/10th of the switching frequency is desired
 - **Higher cross over frequency → Faster transient response**
- **Phase margin - φ_M**
 - Phase left to -180° when the gain reaches 0dB
 - Should be $\geq 45^\circ$ (60° preferred)
 - **Lower phase margin → more oscillating in transient response (load step)**
- **Gain margin - G_M**
 - Gain below 0dB when the phase reaches -180° („-“)
 - 10-15dB is considered good
 - **Gain margin too low → low variation robustness → oscillations could be the result**

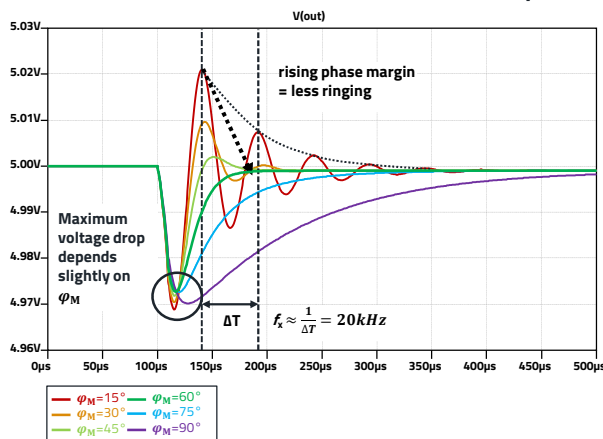


Typical bode plot – Open loop

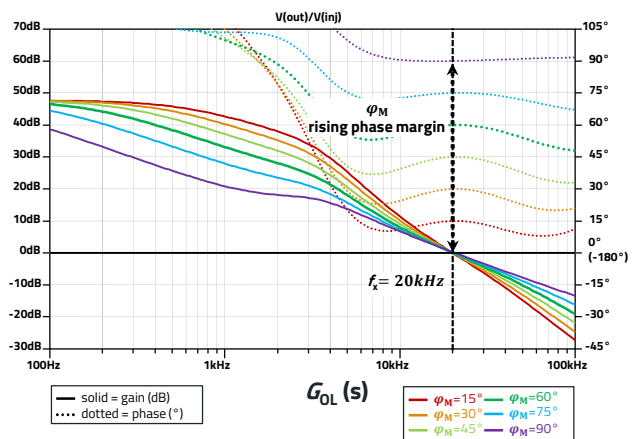
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IMPACT OF PHASE MARGIN

Simulation – Buck Demo Board with various compensators



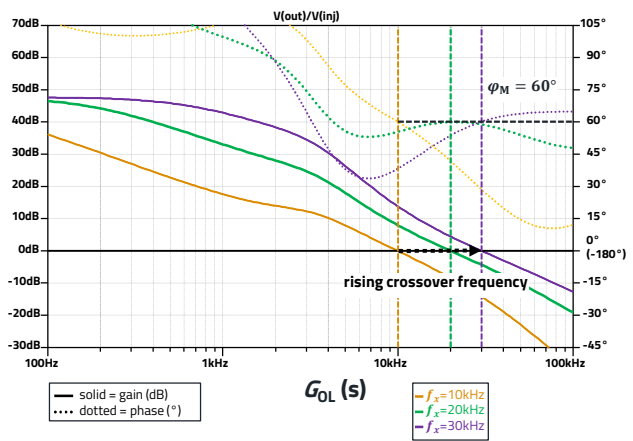
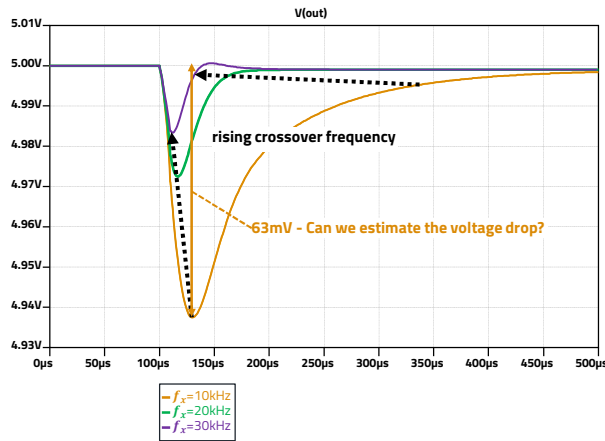
Load step response: $I_{out} 1A \rightarrow 2A / U_{in} 19V$



Bode plot - Open loop: $I_{out} 2A / U_{in} 19V$

IMPACT OF CROSSOVER FREQUENCY

Simulation – Buck Demo Board with various compensators



PLANT TRANSFER FUNCTION

TRANSFER FUNCTION OF THE PLANT

What does it depend on?

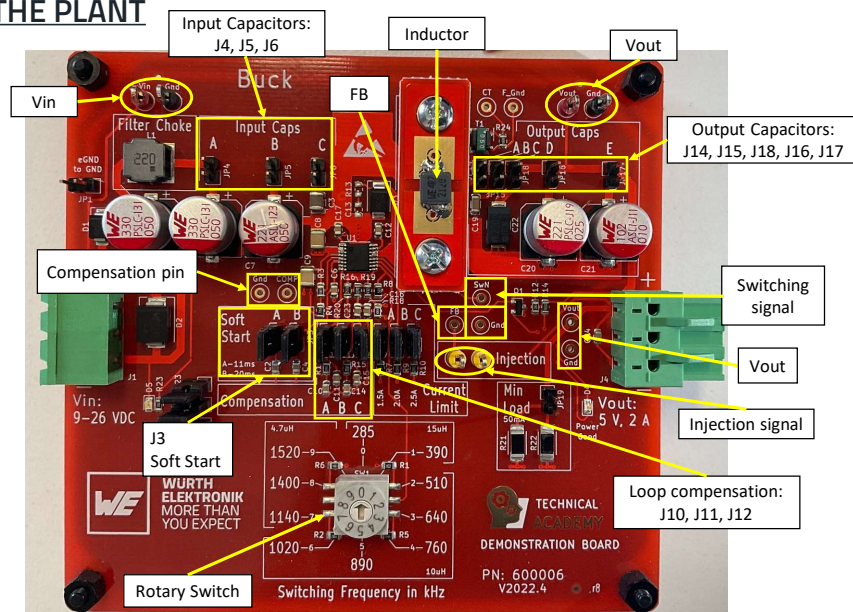
- The plant transfer function depends on:
 - Control technique (e.g. voltage- / current-mode control)
 - Topology of the converter (e.g. buck, boost)
 - Conduction mode (DCM – discontinuous conduction mode, CCM – continuous conduction mode)
 - Controller IC (internal gains, compensation ramp)
 - Components used (capacitors, inductors, power semiconductors)
 - Input- and output-voltage
 - Load

TRANSFER FUNCTION OF THE PLANT

Buck Demo Board

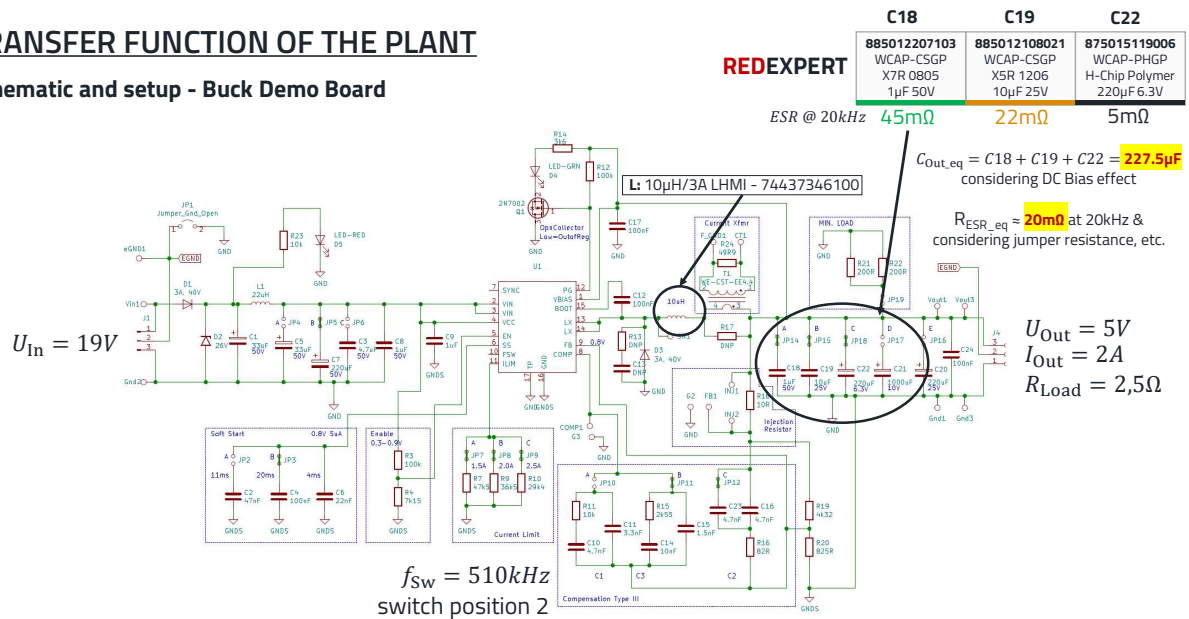
General Specification

- DC/DC Buck Converter
 - *Voltage Mode control*
 - *CCM*
 - $V_{in} = 9-26V$
 - $V_{out} = 5V$
 - $I_{out,max} = 2A$
 - $P_{out,max} = 10W$
 - $f_{sw} = 285kHz - 1.52MHz$
- Inductor: 10 μ H/3A WE-LHMI 74437346100



TRANSFER FUNCTION OF THE PLANT

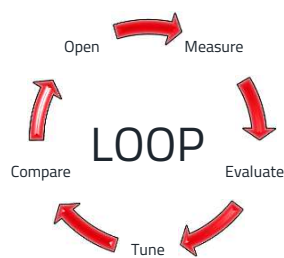
Schematic and setup - Buck Demo Board

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TRANSFER FUNCTION OF THE PLANT

Evaluate the transfer function



- How?
 - IC **datasheet**
 - Mathematical** modeling (MATLAB, Mathcad, etc.)
 - Simulation** (average model of the plant)
 - Measurements**

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TRANSFER FUNCTION OF THE PLANT

Plant transfer function - model accuracy

$$G_P(s) = A_{PWM} \cdot \frac{1 + \frac{s}{\omega_{Z,ESR}}}{1 + \frac{s}{Q_0 \cdot \omega_0} + \frac{s^2}{\omega_0^2}}$$

▪ simplified transfer function

- Plant (in CCM) is basically a second-order response (like a LC-filter)
- LC double pole (complex conjugate pole)
- $\omega_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{L \cdot C_{Out}}} \rightarrow f_0 = \frac{1}{2\pi \sqrt{L \cdot C_{Out}}} \rightarrow f_0 = \frac{1}{2\pi \sqrt{10\mu H \cdot 22,5\mu F}} \approx 3,338kHz$
- Quality of the LC double pole:
- $Q_0 = \frac{R_{Load}}{\sqrt{\frac{L}{C_{Out}}}} = \frac{2,5\Omega}{\sqrt{\frac{10\mu H}{227,5\mu F}}} \approx 11,92$

▪ more detailed transfer function

- LC double pole (complex conjugate pole)
- $\omega_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{L \cdot C_{Out} \left(1 + \frac{R_{ESR}}{R_{Load}}\right)}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{10\mu H \cdot 227,5\mu F \left(1 + \frac{20m\Omega}{2,5\Omega}\right)}} \approx 20,882 \cdot 10^3 \frac{rad}{s}$
 $\rightarrow f_0 \approx 3,325kHz$
- ESR-zero:
- $\omega_{Z,ESR} = \frac{1}{R_{ESR} \cdot C_{Out}} \rightarrow f_{Z,ESR} = \frac{1}{2\pi \cdot R_{ESR} \cdot C_{Out}}$
- $f_{Z,ESR} = \frac{1}{2\pi \cdot 20m\Omega \cdot 227,5\mu F} \approx 34,997kHz$
- OR $f_{Z,ESR} = \frac{1}{2\pi \cdot 10m\Omega \cdot 231\mu F} \approx 68,9kHz??$
- Quality of the LC double pole:
- $Q_0 = \frac{1}{\omega_0 \left(\frac{L}{R_{Load}} + C_{Out} \left(R_{ESR} + \left(1 + \frac{R_{ESR}}{R_{Load}}\right) \cdot R_{Ldc} \right) \right)} = \frac{1}{20,88 \cdot 10^3 \frac{rad}{s} \left(\frac{10\mu H}{2,5\Omega} + 227,5\mu F \cdot (20m\Omega + (1 + \frac{20m\Omega}{2,5\Omega}) \cdot 75m\Omega) \right)} \approx 1,86$

As in real life, quality makes the difference!

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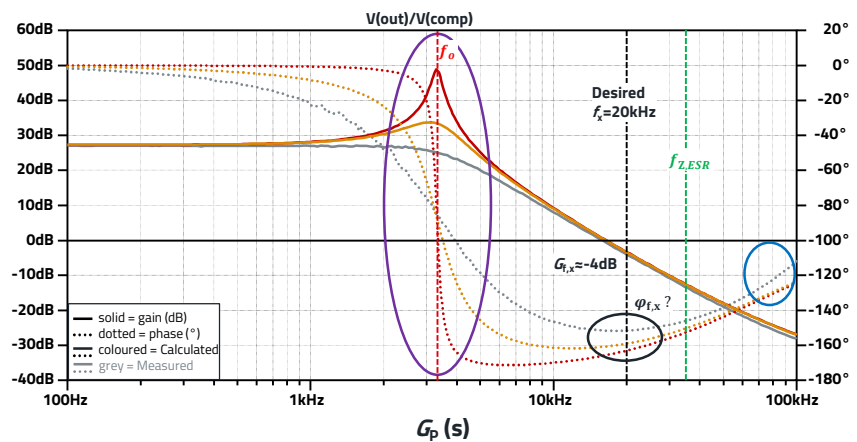


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TRANSFER FUNCTION OF THE PLANT

Bode plot – calculation and measurement (model accuracy)

- The model accuracy depends heavily on the parasitics included
- Red: Simplified transfer function (Laplace transform) from the slide before
- Yellow: Transfer function (Laplace transform) including the damping effect and the natural frequency shift of the double pole due the ESR and DCR (inductor)
- Grey: Measurement of the plant transfer function using RTA4000 Oscilloscope.
- The quality is strongly influenced by the parasitic resistances simulated
- If you start from the simplification, you get an overcompensated control loop
- The ESL has an effect at higher frequencies



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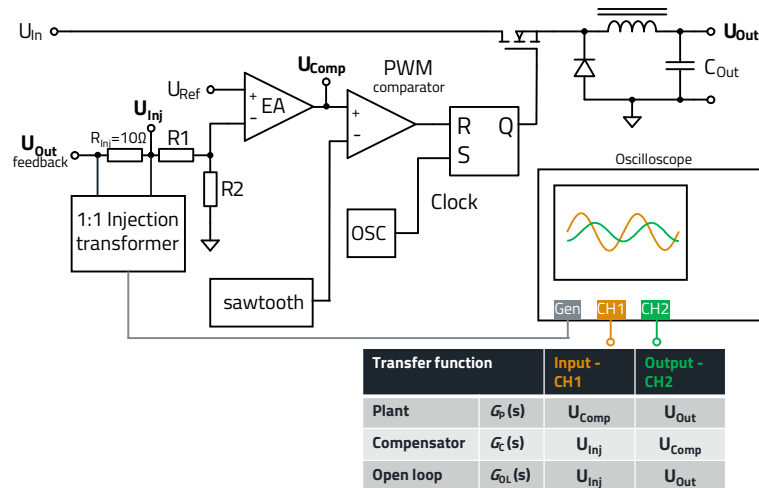


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TRANSFER FUNCTION OF THE PLANT

Frequency response measurement - Bode plot

- A small injection resistor is inserted into the feedback voltage divider
 - The injection resistance is small compared to the series resistance of R1 (4,32kΩ) and R2 (825Ω)
 - The test signal (sinusoidal frequency sweep) is fed in via the injection resistor with an injection transformer
- The oscilloscope plots the gain and the phase by measuring the signal input/output ratio at each test frequency
 - Depending on which input/output ratio is evaluated, the plant, compensator or open loop transfer function can be determined



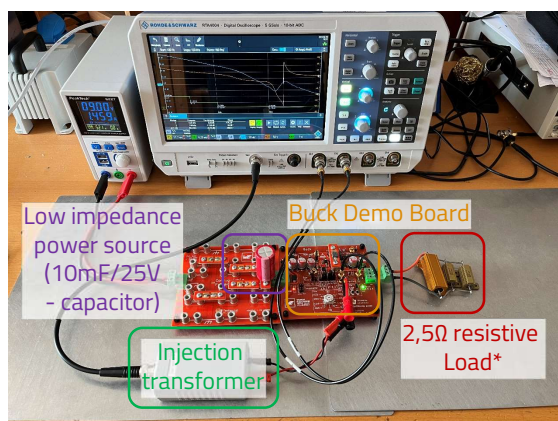
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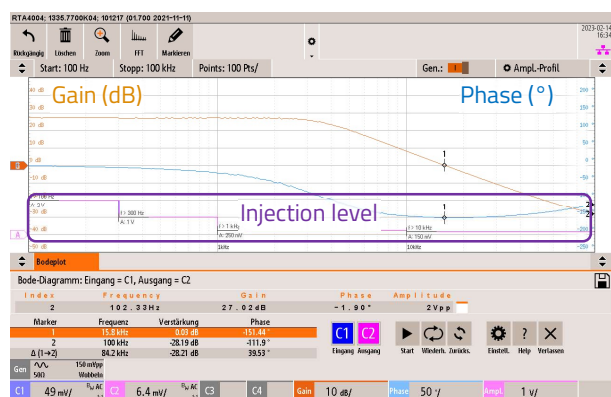
TRANSFER FUNCTION OF THE PLANT

Frequency response measurement – Bode plot with RTA4004-K36 (Rohde&Schwarz)



Test setup

*An resistive load is mandatory for frequency response analysis because a controlled electronic load affects the measurement



Measurement

*The injection level must be chosen carefully:
Too big: wrong result
(not the small signal behaviour)
Too small: bad SNR (noisy)

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COMPENSATOR DESIGN

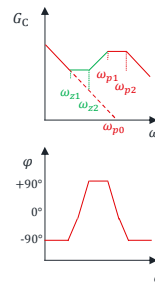
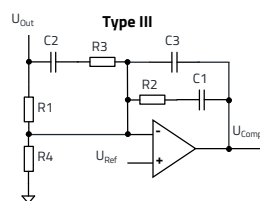
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COMPENSATOR DESIGN

Type III - Compensator

- 1 pole of origin (integrator)
 - High gain at low frequencies
 - Small static error
- 2 poles & 2 zeros
- Gain and phase at crossover frequency can be affected
- Phase boost up to 180°
 - Due 2 zeros
 - Suitable for voltage mode
- Commonly used for voltage mode



$$G_C = (-) \frac{\omega_{P0}}{s} \cdot \frac{\left(1 + \frac{s}{\omega_{Z1}}\right) \cdot \left(1 + \frac{s}{\omega_{Z2}}\right)}{\left(1 + \frac{s}{\omega_{P1}}\right) \cdot \left(1 + \frac{s}{\omega_{P2}}\right)}$$

Type III:

- $\omega_{Z1} = \frac{1}{R2 \cdot C1}$
- $\omega_{Z2} = \frac{1}{C2 \cdot (R1 + R3)}$
- $\omega_{P0} = \frac{1}{R1 \cdot (C1 + C3)}$
- $\omega_{P1} = \frac{(C1 + C3)}{R2 \cdot C1 \cdot C3}$
- $\omega_{P2} = \frac{1}{R3 \cdot C2}$

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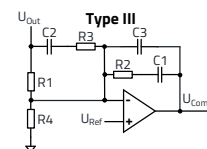
STABILITY INTERACTIONS OF DC/DC-CONVERTERS

- Type I compensation is stable but with small bandwidth (slow time response) due to falling gain profile.
- Type II compensation extend bandwidth (keep gain) with a little phase margin add-on.
- Type III compensation extend bandwidth with high gain (better time response) also with a high phase margin (good stability)

COMPENSATOR DESIGN

Type III - Compensator - Design example*

*Based on the plant transfer function of the Buck Demo Board



- Compensator A ($R1=4,33k\Omega$; $R2=10k\Omega$; $R3=82\Omega$; $C1=4,7nF$; $C2=4,7nF$; $C3=3.3nF$)
- Compensator B ($R1=4,33k\Omega$; $R2=2.55k\Omega$; $R3=82\Omega$; $C1=10nF$; $C2=4,7nF$; $C3=1.5nF$)*
- Compensator B + C ($R1=4,33k\Omega$; $R2=2.55k\Omega$; $R3=82\Omega$; $C1=10nF$; $C2=9,4nF$; $C3=1.5nF$)

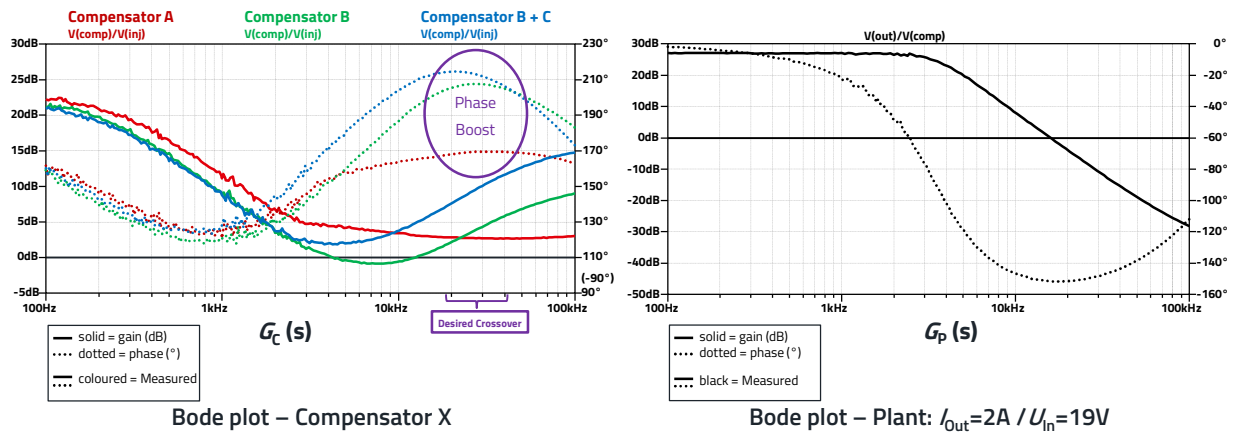
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fz2	7679.04	7679.04	3839.52
fp0	4596.87	3197.82	3197.82
fp1	8213.32	47874.78	47874.78
fp2	413169.87	413169.87	206584.94

	Comp A	Comp B	Comp B+C
R1	4.33E+03	4.33E+03	4.33E+03
R2	1.00E+04	2.55E+03	2.55E+03
R3	8.20E+01	8.20E+01	8.20E+01
C1	4.70E-09	1.00E-08	1.00E-08
C2	4.70E-09	4.70E-09	9.40E-09
C3	3.30E-09	1.50E-09	1.50E-09

- Different locations for poles and zeros result in different open loop characteristics.
- Optimized performance going from compensator A -> B -> B+C.

STABILITY THROUGH THE COMPENSATOR - BUCK DEMO BOARD

Compensator and plant



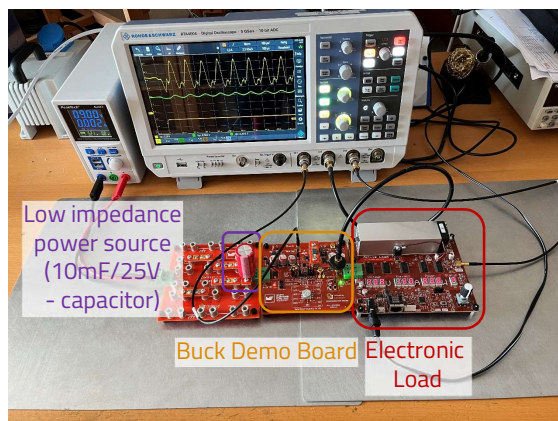
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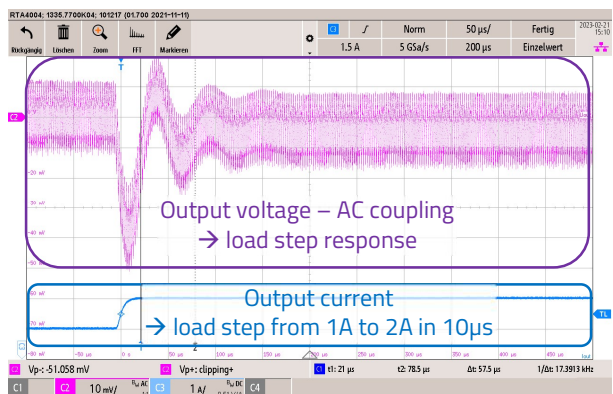
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STABILITY THROUGH THE COMPENSATOR - BUCK DEMO BOARD

Load step response - Test setup



Test setup



Measurement

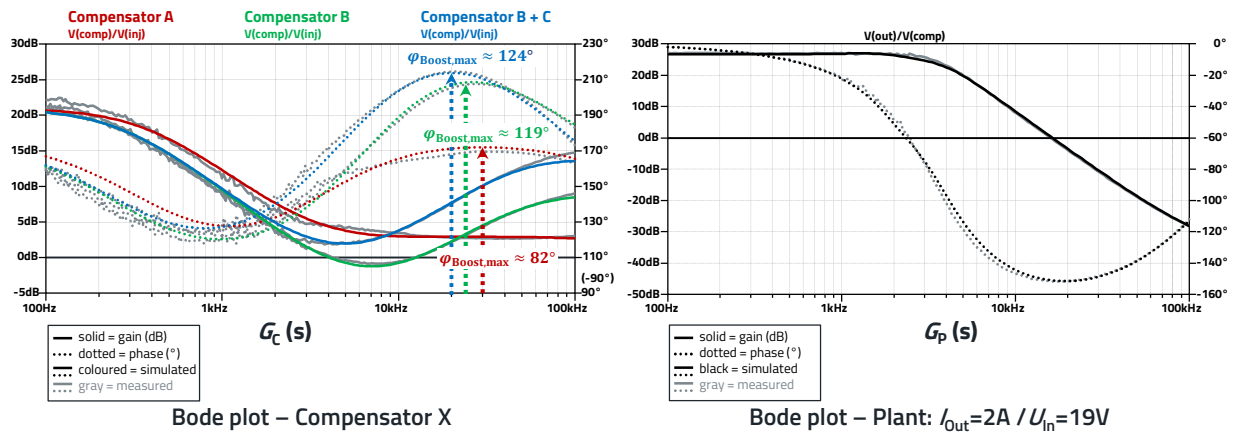
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STABILITY THROUGH THE COMPENSATOR - BUCK DEMO BOARD

Compensator and plant



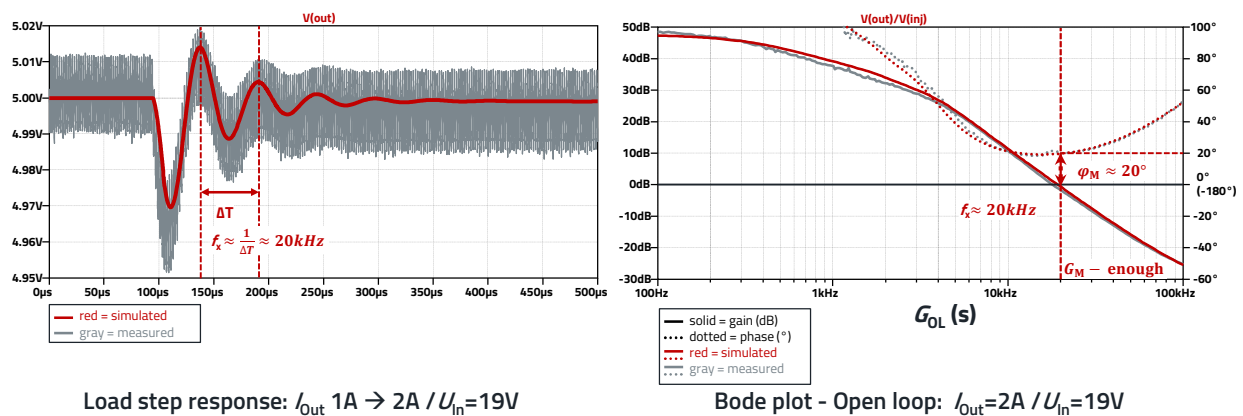
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STABILITY THROUGH THE COMPENSATOR - BUCK DEMO BOARD

Compensator A ($R1=4,33\text{k}\Omega$; $R2=10\text{k}\Omega$; $R3=82\Omega$; $C1=4,7\text{nF}$; $C2=4,7\text{nF}$; $C3=3.3\text{nF}$)



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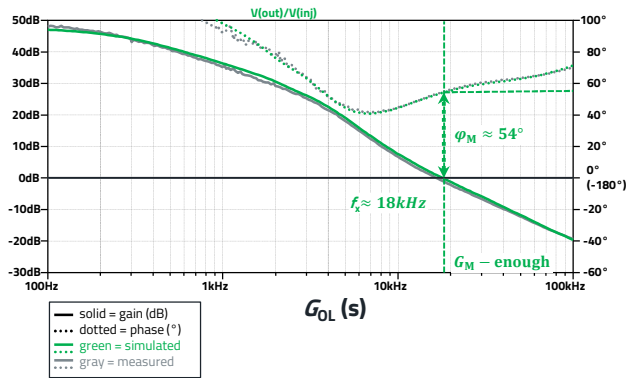
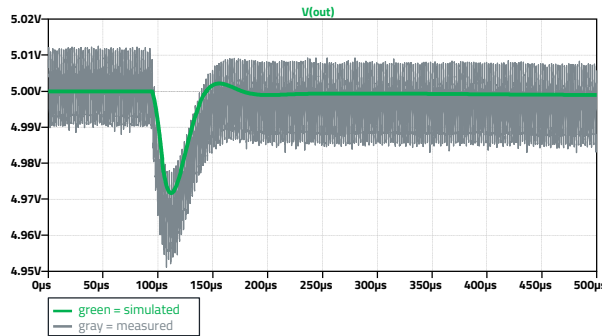


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Compensator B ($R_1=4,33k\Omega$; $R_2=2.55k\Omega$; $R_3=82\Omega$; $C_1=10nF$; $C_2=4,7nF$; $C_3=1.5nF$)*

*Design analyzed before



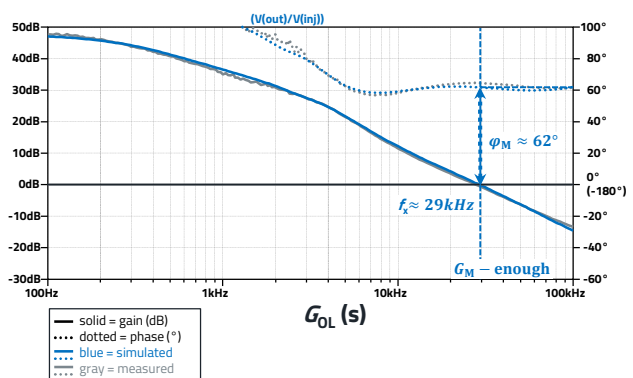
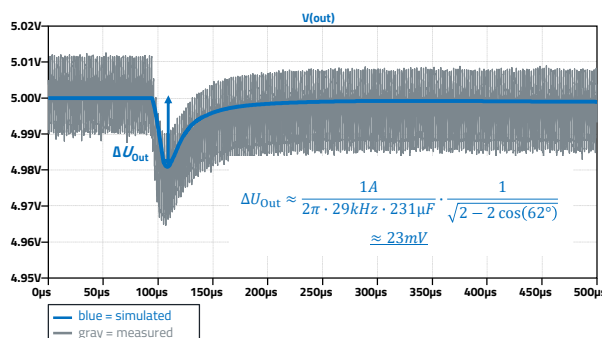
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STABILITY THROUGH THE COMPENSATOR - BUCK DEMO BOARD

Compensator B + C ($R_1=4,33k\Omega$; $R_2=2.55k\Omega$; $R_3=82\Omega$; $C_1=10nF$; $C_2=9,4nF$; $C_3=1.5nF$)



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STABILITY THROUGH THE COMPENSATOR - BUCK DEMO BOARD

Demo: Load step response

- 1 to 2Amps step
 - Comp Type3 (Jump A)
- CH2 : $V_{out} AC$
 CH3 : $I_L AC$ through transformer
 CH4 : $I_{out} DC$
 MATH : $I_L Total (AC + DC)$



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BASICS OF CONTROL THEORY

Closed loop transfer function - conclusions

- $U_{\text{Out}}(s) = U_{\text{Ref}}(s) \cdot \frac{G_{\text{OL}}(s)}{1+G_{\text{OL}}(s)}$ $G_{\text{OL}}(0) \rightarrow \infty \rightarrow U_{\text{Out}} \approx U_{\text{Ref}} \rightarrow \text{No static error}$
- $U_{\text{Out}}(s) = U_{\text{Ref}}(s) \cdot \frac{G_{\text{OL}}(s)}{1+G_{\text{OL}}(s)}$ $G_{\text{OL}}(s) \rightarrow -1 \rightarrow U_{\text{Out}} \neq U_{\text{Ref}} \rightarrow \text{Instability} \rightarrow \text{Nyquist stability criterion!}$
- **Task of the Error amplifier:**
 - high amplification for small frequencies (we need an integrator in the loop = pole at origin)
 - keep the open loop transfer function away from -1 !

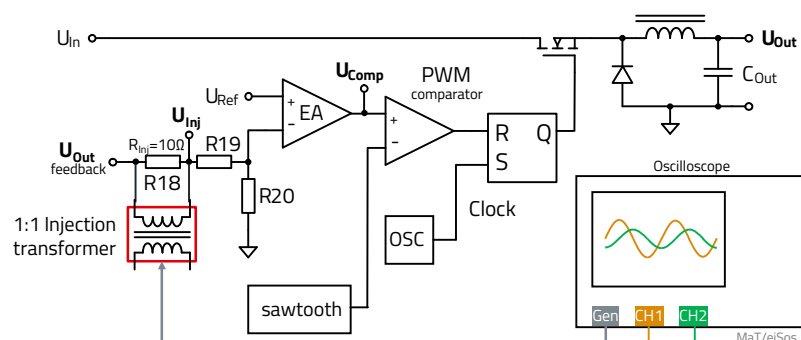
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LOOP COMPENSATION

Control Loop on real world

- Buck board
 - Use of all caps but Polymer (better sine response)
- Measure FRA : „Open Loop behavior“ G_{OL} Generator
- $G_{\text{OL}}(s) = \frac{v_{\text{out}}}{v_{\text{inj}}}$
 - $U_{\text{Inj}} = 250\text{mVpp}$
 - $U_{\text{out}}(\text{AC})$



Transfer function		Input - CH1	Output - CH2
Plant	$G_p(s)$	U_{Comp}	U_{Out}
Compensator	$G_c(s)$	U_{Inj}	U_{Comp}
Open loop	$G_{\text{OL}}(s)$	U_{Inj}	U_{Out}

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LOOP COMPENSATION

POWER : Compensation Type 3, simulation results

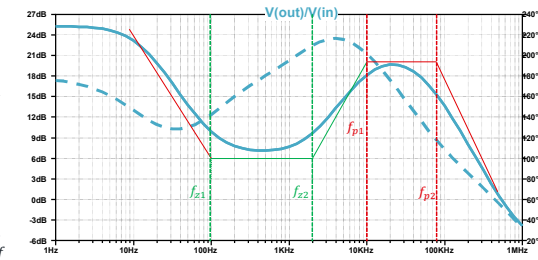
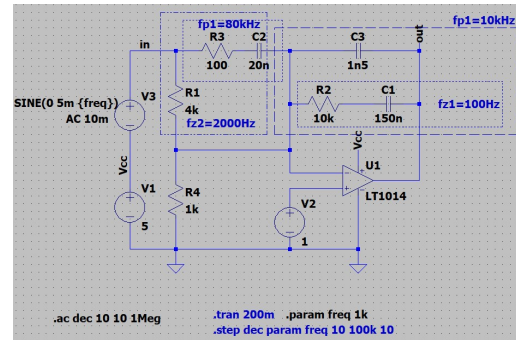
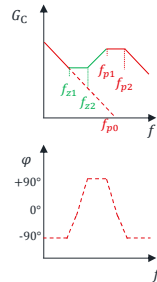
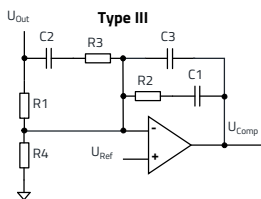
$$G_0 = \frac{R_2}{R_1 \cdot R_3} = 100 \approx +40\text{dB}$$

$$f_{z1} = \frac{1}{2\pi \cdot (R_2 \cdot C_1)} = \frac{1}{2\pi \cdot 10\text{k} \cdot 150\text{n}} = 100\text{Hz}$$

$$f_{z2} = \frac{1}{2\pi \cdot C_2 \cdot (R_1 \parallel R_3)} = \frac{1}{2\pi \cdot 20\text{n} \cdot (4\text{k} \parallel 10\text{k})} = 2\text{kHz}$$

$$f_{p1} = \frac{C_1 + C_3}{2\pi \cdot R_2 \cdot C_1 \cdot C_3} = \frac{150\text{n} + 1\text{n}}{2\pi \cdot 10\text{k} \cdot 150\text{n} \cdot 1\text{n}} = \frac{151,5^{-9}}{14,13^{-12}} = 10,7\text{kHz}$$

$$f_{p2} = \frac{1}{2\pi \cdot R \cdot C_2} = \frac{1}{2\pi \cdot 10 \cdot 20\text{n}} = \frac{1}{12,56^{-6}} \approx 80\text{kHz}$$



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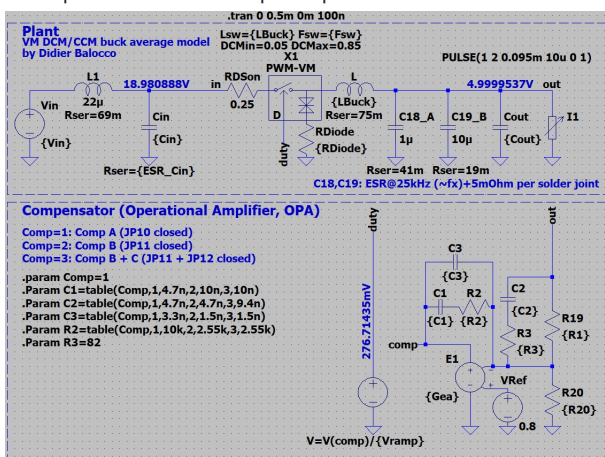
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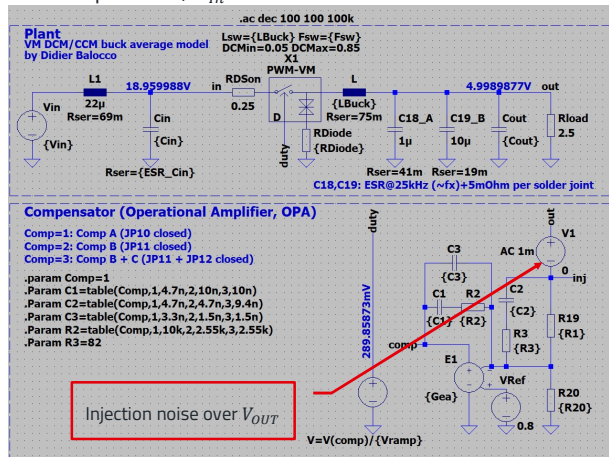
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STABILITY THROUGH THE OUTPUT CAPACITOR

Compensator A and output capacitor A + B + C : simulations and comparisons; $U_{In} = 19\text{V}$



DC Simulation (Transient Time Domain)



AC Simulation (Frequency Domain)

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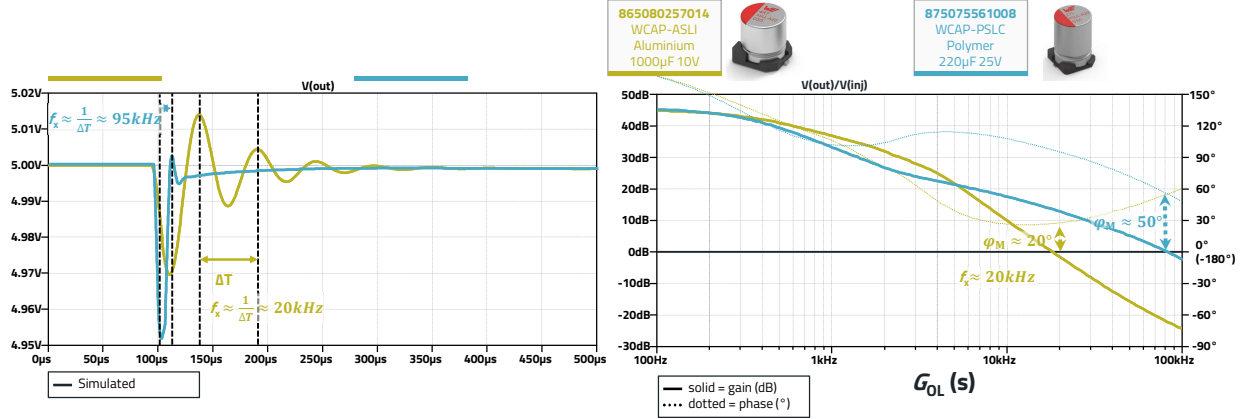
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STABILITY THROUGH THE OUTPUT CAPACITOR

RedExpert comparison

- 1000µF Aluminum Vs 220µF Polymer
- 5x Less value but... : 10x better in ESR !



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INDUCTOR THEORY



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POWER INDUCTORS

Inductors : theory of operation

- Maths behind physics

- Inductor current I make some excitation H
- Physical construction make flux induction B

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

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

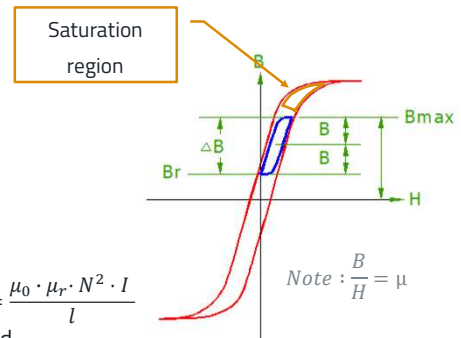
- Physical limits

- Inductor magnetic field B is limited by core material properties
- Math translation is less and less μ_r form the material
Only physical change related into the equation!

$$L = \frac{\mu_0 \cdot \mu_r \cdot N^2 \cdot I}{l}$$

Into saturation region current increase lead to less and less magnetic field

Energy storage start to be **inefficient**



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INDUCTORS

Theory : Inductor and parasitic

- DC Losses:

- copper losses with average DC current through the component
 - estimation of DC loss is straight forward:

$$P_{dc} = R_{dc} \cdot I_{RMS}^2$$

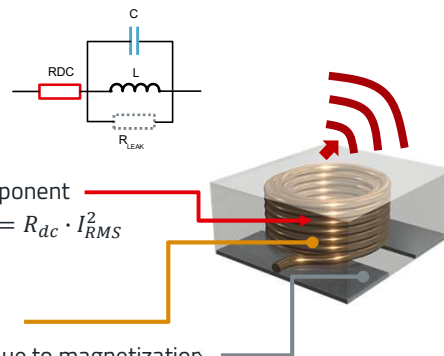
- AC Losses:

- winding losses due to skin effect, proximity effect, etc.
- core losses : eddy current & hysteresis loss in the core due to magnetization
 - Related to (f, B, H)

- EMI losses from leakages and parasitic couplings

- Total Losses:

- $P_{tot} = P_{dc} + P_{ac}$



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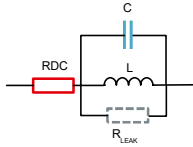
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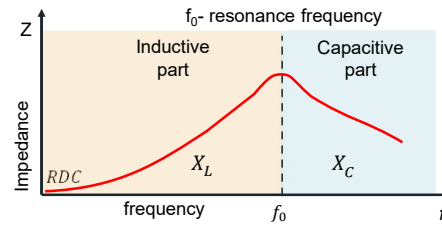
INDUCTOR : IMPEDANCE Z

Well known behavior ?!



- $Z = \sqrt{RDC^2 + \left(\frac{X_L}{1 - \frac{X_L}{X_C}}\right)^2}$
- $Z = \sqrt{RDC^2 + \left(\frac{L \cdot \omega}{1 - L \cdot C \cdot \omega^2}\right)^2} \quad \omega = 2 \cdot \pi \cdot f$
- $f_0 = \frac{1}{2 \cdot \pi \cdot \sqrt{L \cdot C}}$

Note: R_{DC} is resistance for $f = 0Hz$



- Component itself act as a filter

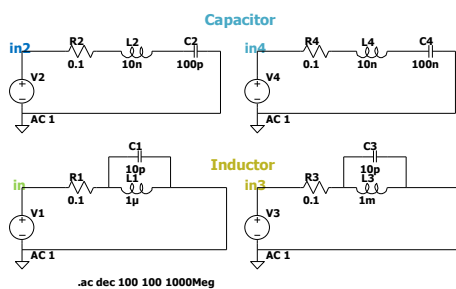
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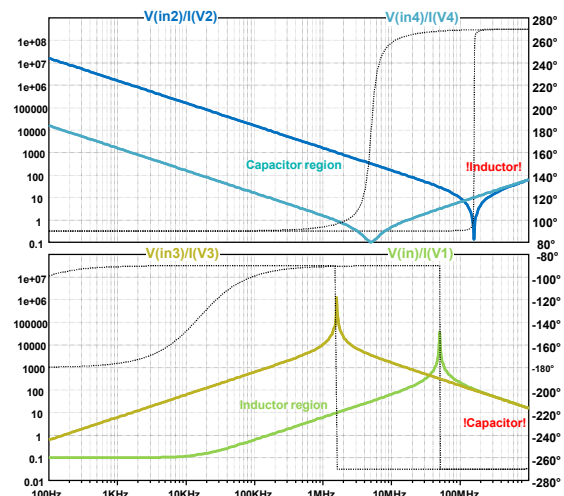
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$$Z = \sqrt{RDC^2 + \left(L \cdot \omega \cdot \frac{1}{1 - L \cdot C \cdot \omega^2}\right)^2} \quad Z = \sqrt{ESR^2 + \left(ESL \cdot \omega - \frac{1}{C \cdot \omega}\right)^2}$$

$$|Z_L| \approx L \cdot \omega, R=0, C=0$$

$$|Z_C| \approx \frac{1}{C \cdot \omega}, ESR = 0, ESL = 0$$



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HOW TO CHOOSE A POWER INDUCTOR

Key parameters



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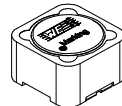
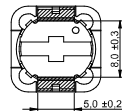
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Key parameters and use

- Requirements for customer
 - Value
 - Behavior & tolerances
 - Currents
 - DC resistance (DC losses)
 - AC losses ??
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 - System voltage
 - Temperature limits and behavior
 - **REDEXPERT !**
 - Mechanical aspects
 - Qualifications and standards

- Product parameters: datasheet

Dimensions: [mm]



Electrical Properties:

Properties	Test conditions	Value	Unit	Tol.
Inductance	L 100 kHz/ 250 mV	10	μH	±20%
Rated Current	$\Delta T = 40\text{ K}$	7	A	max.
Performance Rated Current ¹⁾	$\Delta T = 40\text{ K}$	8.2	A	max.
Saturation Current @ 10%	$I_{\text{sat}} 10\%$	7.5	A	typ.
Saturation Current @ 30%	$I_{\text{sat}} 30\%$	9.7	A	typ.
DC Resistance	R_{DC} @ 20 °C	15	mΩ	typ.
DC Resistance	R_{DC} @ 20 °C	20	mΩ	max.
Self Resonant Frequency	f_{res}	18	MHz	typ.
Operating Voltage	V DC	120	V	max.

¹⁾ refer to IEC 62024-2:2020

Certification:

RoHS Approval	Compliant [2011/65/EU, 2015/863]
REACH Approval	Conform or declared [EC/1907/2006]
Halogen Free	Conform [JEDEC J51/J598]
Component Qualification	AEC-Q200 Grade 1
Automotive Approval	Released

General Information:

Ambient Temperature (referring to T_{amb})	-40 °C up to +85 °C
Operating Temperature	-40 °C up to +125 °C
Storage Conditions (in original packaging)	< 40 °C ; < 75 % RH
Moisture Sensitivity Level (MSL)	1
Test conditions of Electrical Properties: +20 °C, 33 %RH if not specified differently	
Test conditions of Performance Rated Current: refer to IEC 62024-2:2020, Class B (PCB Copper Width: 40 mm; PCB Copper Thickness: 35 μm)	

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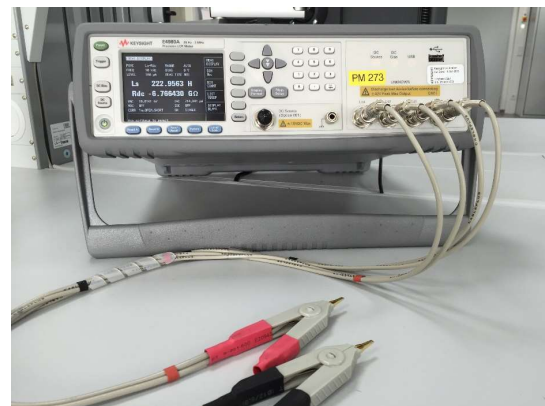
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Inductance value production and quality measurement

- Inductance is measured with LCR meter
 - With a specific set up
- Samples can be ordered with the nearest standard values

Electrical Properties:

Properties	Test conditions		Value	Unit	Tol.
Inductance	1 kHz/ 250 mV	L	10	μH	±20%
Rated current	$\Delta T = 40\text{ K}$	I_R	7.1	A	max.
Saturation current	$I_{\Delta L/L} < 10\%$	I_{sat}	10.5	A	typ.
DC Resistance	@ 20 °C	R_{DC}	0.013	Ω	typ.
DC Resistance	@ 20 °C	R_{DC}	0.021	Ω	max.
Self resonant frequency		f_{res}	21	MHz	typ.



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INDUCTOR SELECTION

Inductance value : the buck converter example

$$D = \frac{V_{out}}{V_{in}} \quad D = \frac{V_{out} + V_d}{V_{in} - V_{sw} + V_d}$$

$$D = 0,208$$

$$D = 0,22$$

$$L = \frac{(V_{in} - V_{out}) \cdot D}{f_{switch} \cdot r \cdot I_{out}}$$

$$I_{peak} = I_{out} + \frac{\Delta I}{2}$$

$$I_{nom} = I_{out}$$

$$r = 20\%$$

$$I_{peak} = 2,2A$$

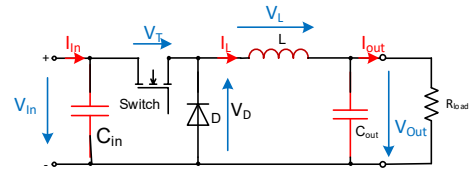
$$L = 18,5\mu H - 19,4\mu H$$

$$r = 40\%$$

$$I_{peak} = 2,4A$$

$$L = 9,3\mu H - 9,7\mu H$$

Standard value : 8,2μH; 10μH, 12μH, 15μH, 18μH, 22μH



- $V_{in} = 24V$
- $V_{out} = 5V$
- $I_{out} = 2A$
- $F_{sw} = 535 kHz$
- $V_{sw} = 0,3V$
- $V_D = 0,3V$

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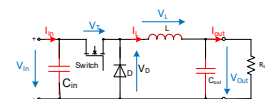
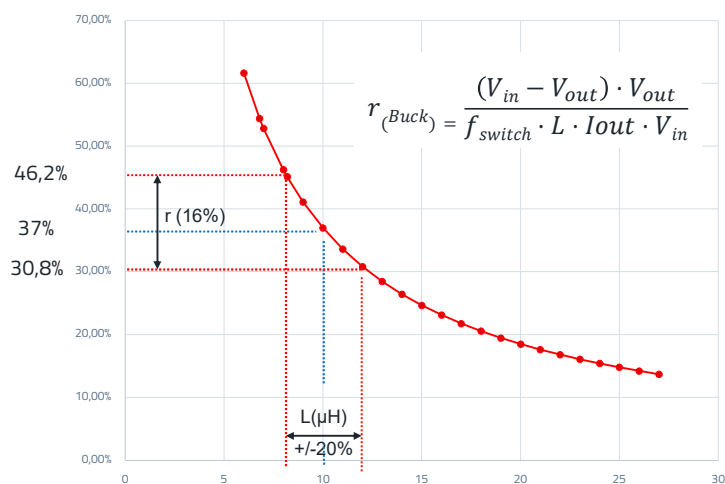
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INDUCTOR SELECTION

Ripple VS Inductance value :



- $V_{in} = 24V$
- $V_{out} = 5V$
- $I_{out} = 2A$
- $F_{sw} = 535 kHz$
- $V_{sw} = 0,3V$
- $V_D = 0,3V$

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RATED CURRENT

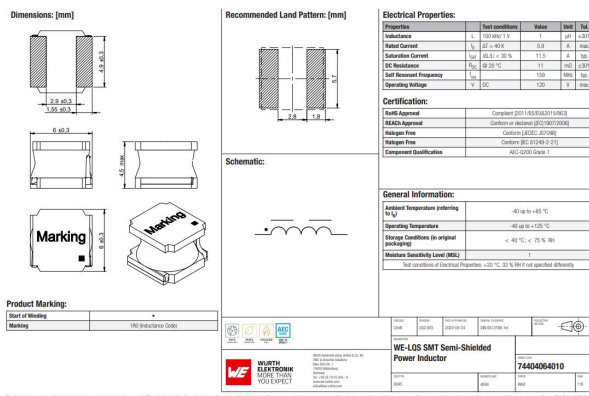


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RATED CURRENT

Heating shown in the Datasheet

- Datasheet sample



- Rated current mention in the datasheet

Electrical Properties:

Properties		Test conditions	Value	Unit	Tol.
Inductance	L	100 kHz/ 1 V	1	μH	±30%
Rated Current	I_R	$\Delta T =$	5.9	A	max.
Saturation Current	I_{SAT}	$\Delta L/L < 30\%$	11.5	A	typ.
DC Resistance	R_{DC}	@ 20 °C	11	mΩ	±30%
Self Resonant Frequency	f_{res}		159	MHz	typ.
Operating Voltage	V	DC	120	V	max.

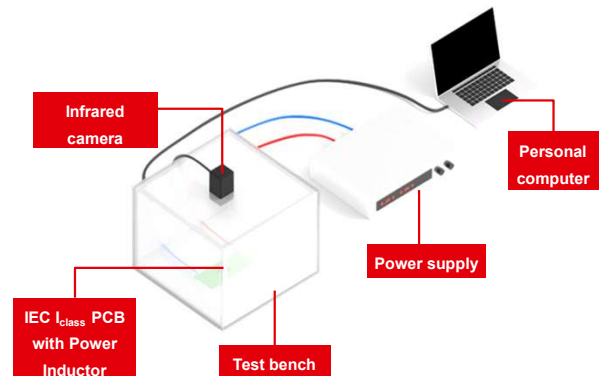
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RATED CURRENT

Explained setup

- This value describes the direct current at which the component self heating increases (ΔT)
- The method Würth Elektronik uses to measure the rated current is based upon section 6 of the IEC 62024-2:2020 standard to provide transparent and comparable I_R values. A test PCB with a Power Inductor is contained within a box of roughly 20 cm on each side and does not contact directly with the surrounding box. Only natural heat exchange occurs, with no forced heat transfer applied to the test PCB.

- Overall setup



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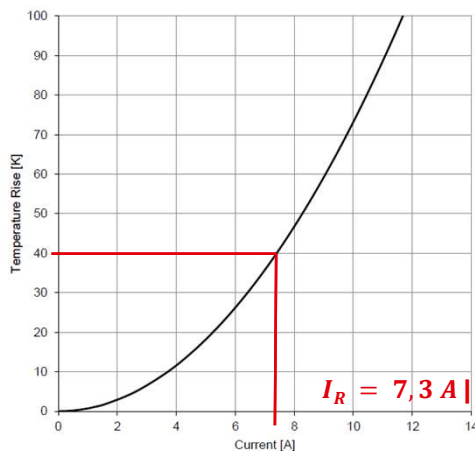


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RATED CURRENT

Definition with temperature rise

- Temperature rise vs Current



- Losses vs current
 - DC current injection is more convenient and very accurate to define losses and temperature rise accordingly

$$P_{loss} = R_{DC} \cdot I_{DC}^2$$

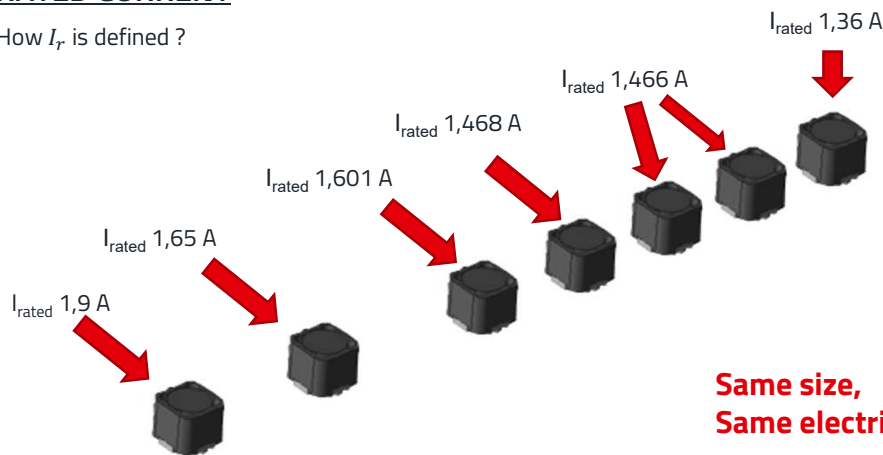
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RATED CURRENT

How I_r is defined ?



Same size,
Same electrical parameter (L , R_{DC})

Why different rated currents ?

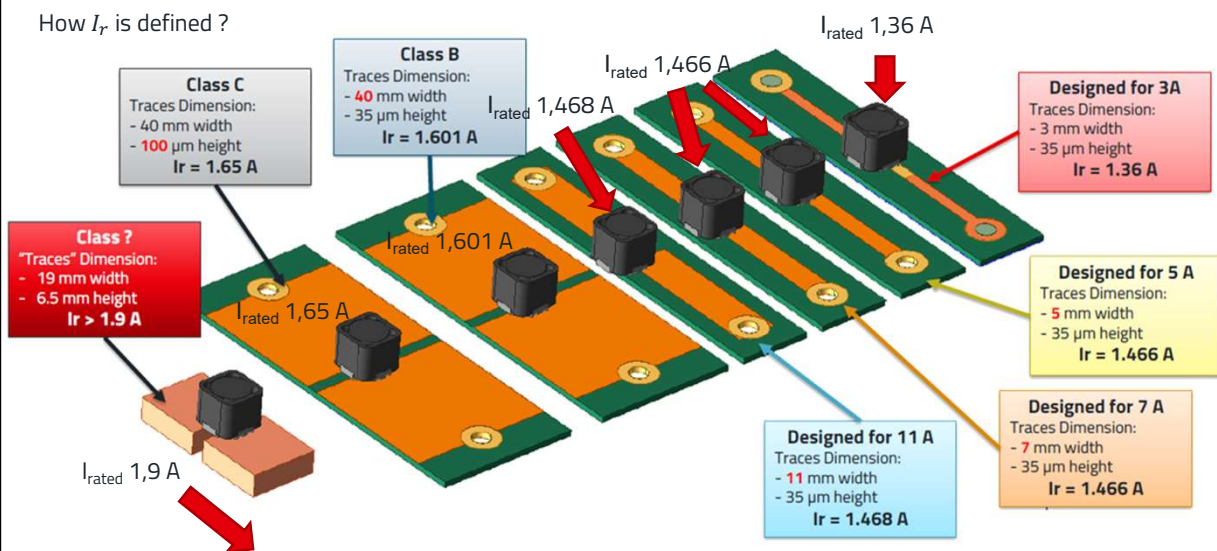
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RATED CURRENT

How I_r is defined ?



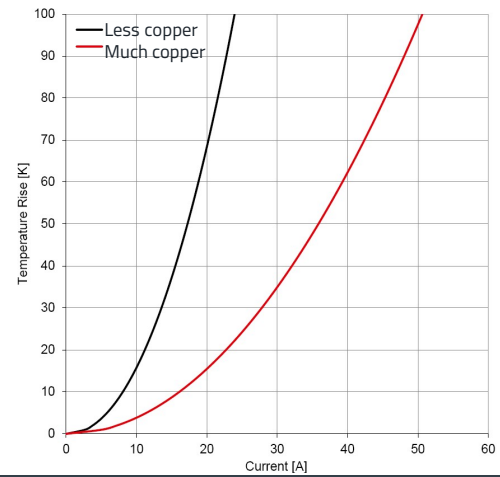
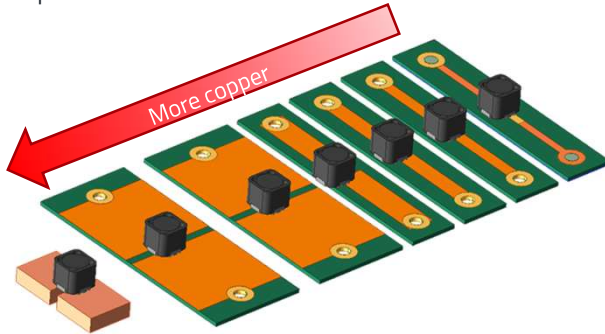
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RATED CURRENT

Impact of the PCB



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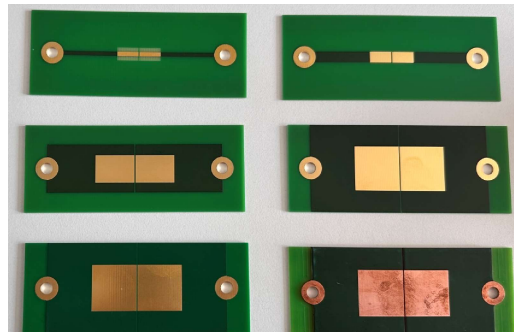


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IEC 6024-2:2020

WE Definition and uses of Rated current

- Class B: Product Series with standard requirement profile
- Class C: Product which are used in high packing density application
- Class D: Products with current capability higher then 30A



PCB for Demo
PN 999 900 96

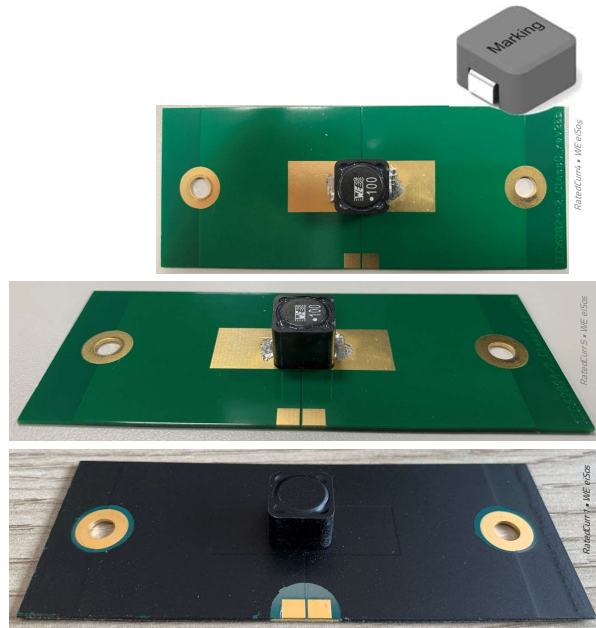
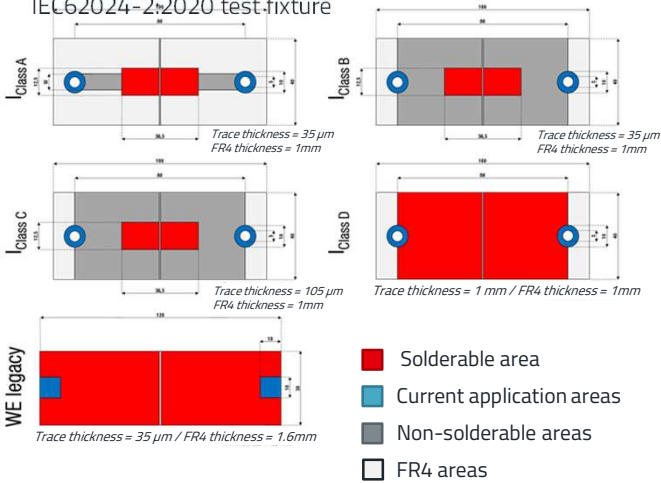
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IEC62024-2:2020 test fixture



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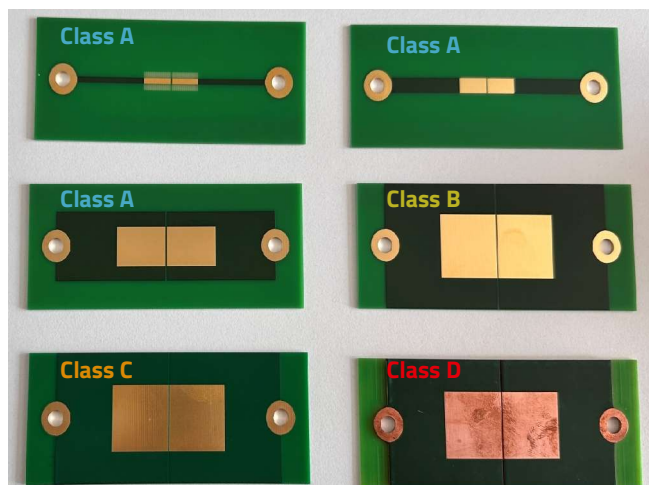
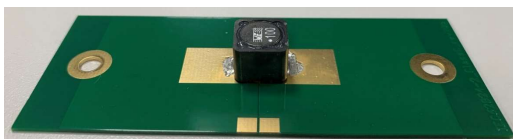


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IEC 62024-2:2020

WE Definition and uses of Rated current

- Class A: 1 to 22mm pattern width
- Class B: Product Series with standard requirement profile
- Class C: Product which are used in high packing density application
- Class D: Products with current capability higher than 30A



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POWER INDUCTORS

Würth Elektronik current definition ; the truth about it

Redefining Rated Current Measurements for Power Inductors

- The rated current is related from temperature elevation
 - 40K is a "standard" common value often the difference between component temperature and ambient temperature.
 - 40K is also the maximum temperature rise of the **IEC62024-2:2020 standard**; practical to evaluate maximum performances.

§6.4.3 i) into standard page 15

Table 2 – Circuit pattern width and thickness

Rated current class	Pattern width W mm	Pattern thickness t μm	Example application
$I_{\text{class A}}$	(1,0 to 22,0) ± 0,2 to 0,5	35 ± 10	Consumer application (single-sided printed circuit boards application)
$I_{\text{class B}}$	40 ± 0,2	35 ± 10	Consumer application (double-sided printed circuit boards application)
$I_{\text{class C}}$	40 ± 0,2	105 ± 10	Consumer application (multilayer printed circuit boards application)
$I_{\text{class D}}$	40 ± 0,2	1000 ± 50	Automotive or large current power line application

NOTE 1 $I_{\text{class A}}$: see Figure 2a).

NOTE 2 $I_{\text{class B}}$, $I_{\text{class C}}$, $I_{\text{class D}}$: see Figure 2b).

Electrical Properties:

Properties		Test conditions	Value	Unit	Tol.
Inductance	L	100 kHz/ 10 mA	1	μH	±20%
Rated Current	$I_{R,40K}$	$\Delta T = 40 \text{ K}$	15	A	max.
Performance Rated Current ¹⁾	$I_{RP,40K}$	$\Delta T = 40 \text{ K}$	23.5	A	max.
Saturation Current @ 10%	$I_{SAT,10\%}$	$ dL/L < 10 \%$	15.4	A	typ.
Saturation Current @ 30%	$I_{SAT,30\%}$	$ dL/L < 30 \%$	38	A	typ.
DC Resistance	R_{DC}	@ 20 °C	2.7	mΩ	typ.
DC Resistance	R_{DC}	@ 20 °C	3.5	mΩ	max.
Self Resonant Frequency	f_{res}		41	MHz	typ.

¹⁾ refer to IEC 62024-2:2020

General Properties:

Ambient Temperature (referring to I_R)	-40 up to +85 °C
Operating Temperature	-40 up to +125 °C
Storage Conditions (in original packaging)	< 40 °C ; < 75 % RH
Moisture Sensitivity Level (MSL)	1
Test conditions of Electrical Properties: +20 °C, 33 % RH if not specified differently	
Test conditions of Performance Rated Current: refer to IEC 62024-2, Class C (PCB Copper Width: 40 mm; PCB Copper Thickness: 105 μm)	
Temperature rise is highly dependent on many factors including PCB land pattern, trace size, and proximity to other components. Therefore, temperature rise should be verified in application conditions.	



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EXAMPLE CLASS C

7447707033 [1280] size code

- WE-PD Performance variant



Electrical Properties:

Properties		Test conditions	Value	Unit	Tol.
Inductance	L	100 kHz/ 5 mA	3.3	μH	±30%
Rated Current	$I_{R,40K}$	$\Delta T = 40 \text{ K}$	9.4	A	max.
Performance Rated Current ¹⁾	$I_{RP,40K}$	$\Delta T = 40 \text{ K}$	12.8	A	max.
Saturation Current @ 10%	$I_{SAT,10\%}$	$ dL/L < 10 \%$	17.5	A	typ.
Saturation Current @ 30%	$I_{SAT,30\%}$	$ dL/L < 30 \%$	17.5	A	typ.
DC Resistance	R_{DC}	@ 20 °C	9	mΩ	max.
Self Resonant Frequency	f_{res}		32.3	MHz	typ.
Operating Voltage	V	DC	120	V	max.

¹⁾ refer to IEC 62024-2:2020

Test conditions of Performance Rated Current: refer to IEC 62024-2:2020 Class C PCB Copper Width: 40 mm; PCB Copper Thickness: 105 μm)

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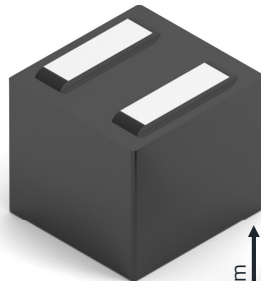


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EXAMPLE CLASS C

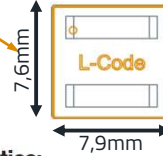
74439387033 [7070] size code

- WE-XHMI



7,1mm

42% more current

X2,4 less surface than
PD [1280]**Electrical Properties:**

Properties		Test conditions	Value	Unit	Tol.
Inductance	L	100 kHz/ 10 mA	3.3	μH	±20%
Rated Current	$I_{R,40K}$	$\Delta T = 40\text{ K}$	18.2	A	max.
Performance Rated Current ¹⁾	$I_{PR,40K}$	$\Delta T = 40\text{ K}$	18.2	A	max.
Saturation Current @ 10%	$I_{SAT,10\%}$	$ ΔL/L < 10\%$	8.8	A	typ.
Saturation Current @ 30%	$I_{SAT,30\%}$	$ ΔL/L < 30\%$	18.6	A	typ.
DC Resistance	R_{DC}	@ 20 °C	6.4	mΩ	typ.
DC Resistance	R_{DC}	@ 20 °C	8.76	mΩ	max.
Self Resonant Frequency	f_{res}		23	MHz	typ.

¹⁾ refer to IEC 62024-2-2020Test conditions of Performance Rated Current: refer to IEC 62024-2-2020 Class C PCB Copper
Width: 40 mm; PCB Copper Thickness: 105 μm)117 | JULY 4, 2025
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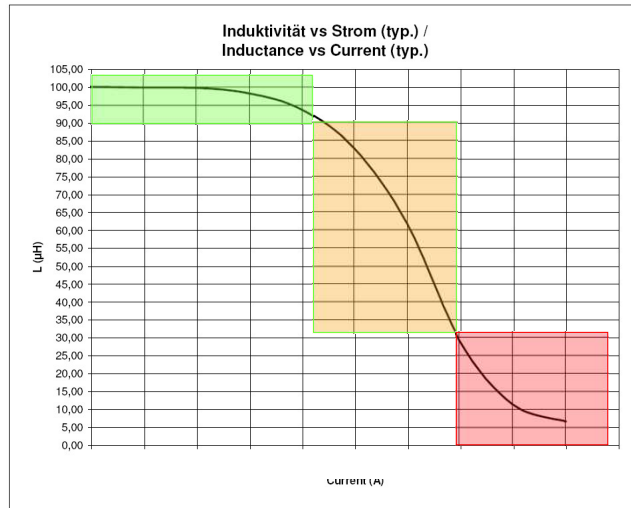
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SATURATION CURRENT



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INDUCTOR SELECTION : L VS CURRENT



safe operation area

critical operating area

total saturation area

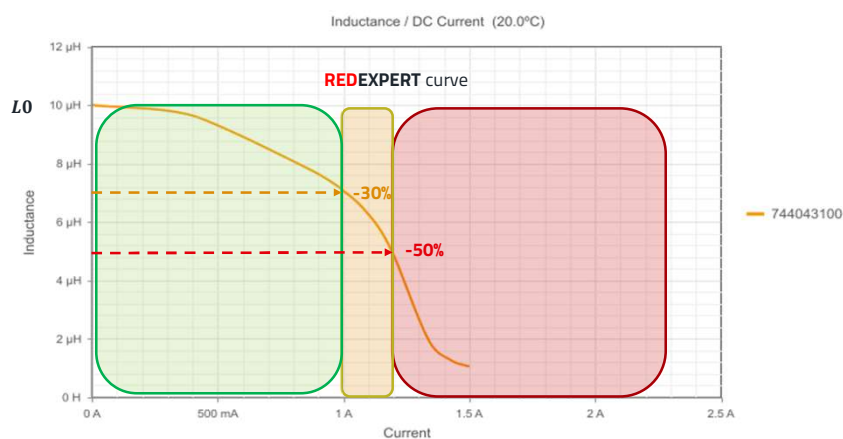
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Inductor value Vs current

- Calculation with estimated reduction of L value (into saturation)



safe operation area

critical operating area

total saturation area

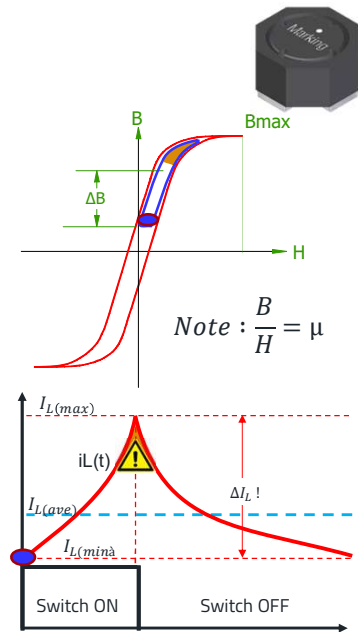
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REDEXPERT [WE-TPC# 744043100](#) deviation explanation for $10\mu\text{H}$ $I_{\text{sat}} = 1,0\text{A}$

Saturation behavior



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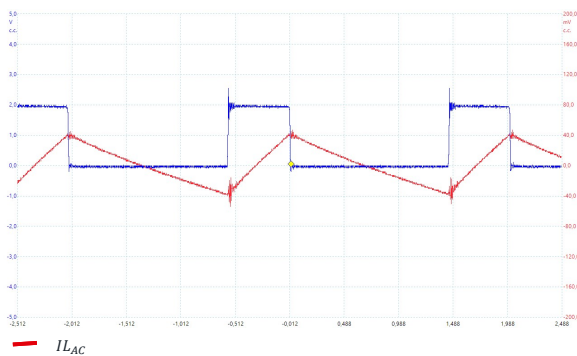
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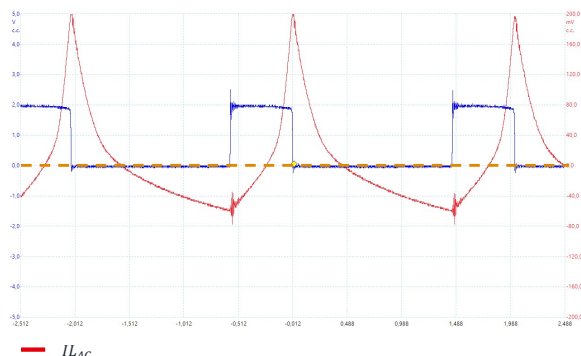
Without saturation

▪ Saturation effect $I_{\text{out}}(\text{Buck}) = 1,0\text{A}$

▪ Saturation effect : real measurements



$10\mu\text{H}$ WE-LHMI# 74437346100 original $I_{\text{sat}}=7,3\text{A}$



$10\mu\text{H}$ WE-TPC# 744043100 $I_{\text{sat}}=1,0\text{A}$

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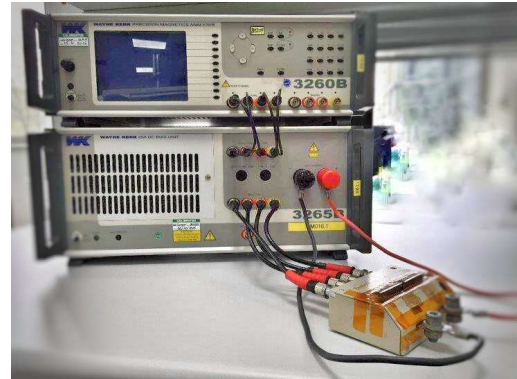
INDUCTOR SELECTION

Saturation Current

- The current that causes an inductance drop compared to its initial inductance value. In most cases for our inductors a drop of 10% is specified.

Electrical Properties:

Properties	Test conditions		Value	Unit	Tol.
Inductance	1 kHz/ 250 mV	L	10	μH	$\pm 20\%$
Rated current	$\Delta T = 40\text{ K}$	I_R	7.1	A	max.
Saturation current	$\Delta L/L_i < 10\%$	I_{sat}	10.5	A	typ.
DC Resistance	@ 20°C	R_{DC}	0.013	Ω	typ.
DC Resistance	@ 20°C	R_{DC}	0.021	Ω	max.
Self resonant frequency		f_{res}	21	MHz	typ.

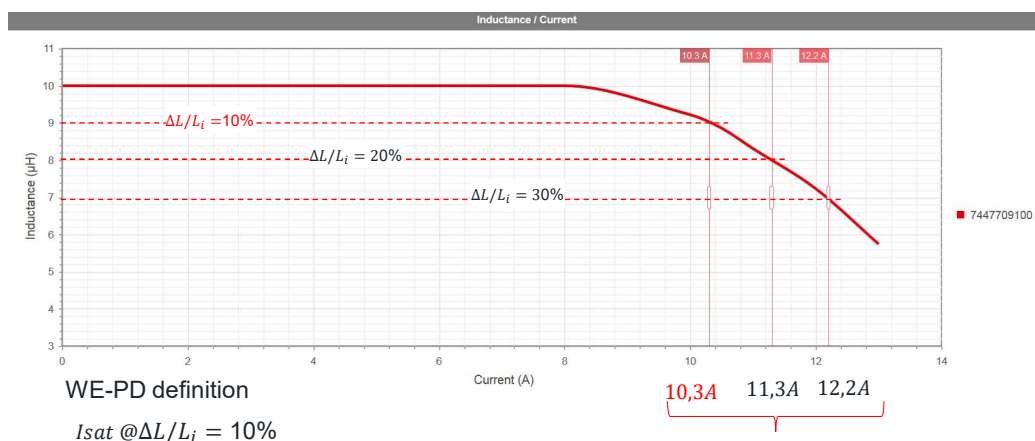


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INDUCTOR SELECTION : SATURATION CURRENT



I_{sat} depends on the definition

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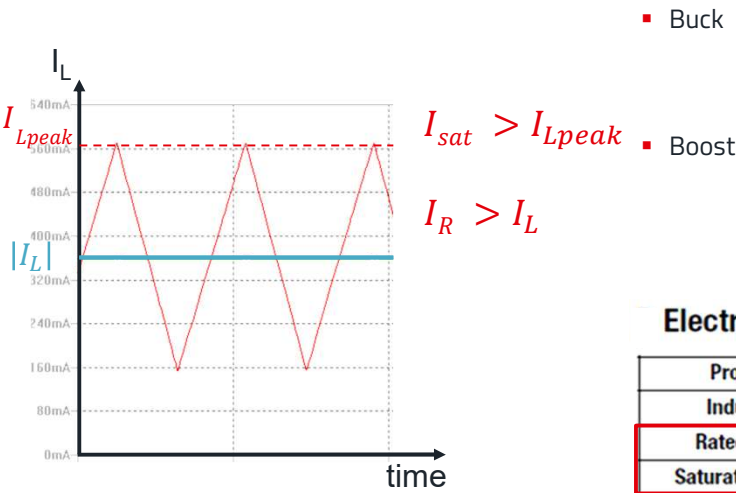
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INDUCTOR SELECTION : CURRENT



$$|I_L| \approx I_{out}$$

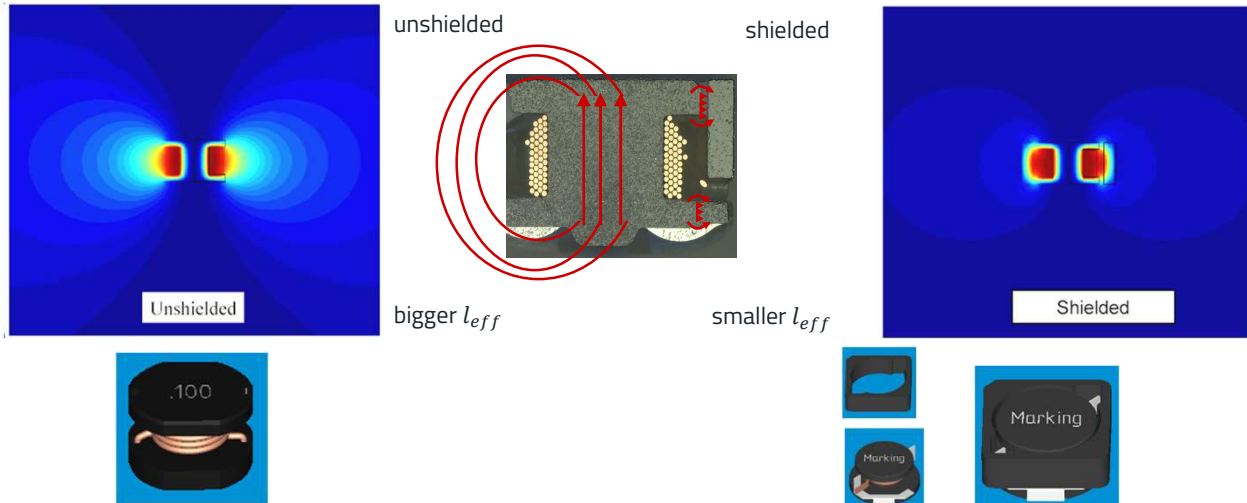
$$|I_L| \approx \frac{V_{out}}{V_{in}} \cdot I_{out}$$

Electrical Properties:

Properties	Test conditions	
Inductance	1 kHz/ 250 mV	L
Rated current	$\Delta T = 40\text{ K}$	I_R
Saturation current	$\Delta L/L < 10\%$	I_{sat}

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EMC : SHIELDING VS. UNSHIELDING



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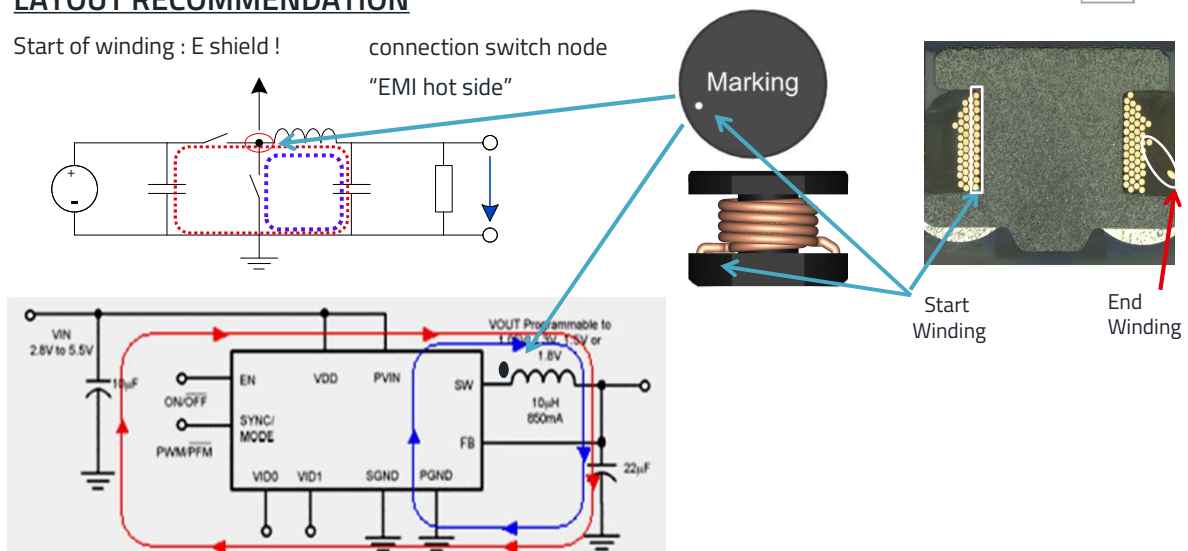
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LAYOUT RECOMMENDATION

Start of winding : E shield !

connection switch node
"EMI hot side"



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DIFFERENT TECHNOLOGIES

All shielded : WE-SI fully symmetrical , WE-MAPI

WE-PD with start dot

WE-HCF flat wire



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INDUCTOR SMART SELECTION



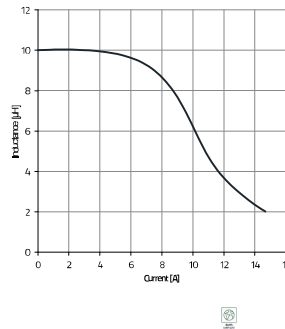
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SMART SELECTION OF INDUCTORS

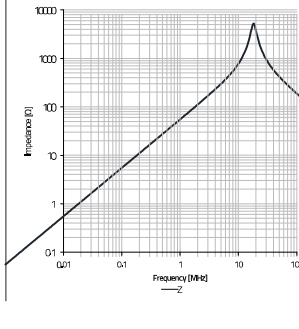
Various tools same results, old VS smart method

▪ Datasheet

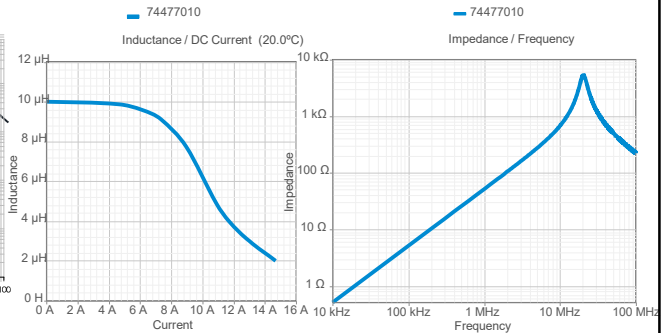
Typical Inductance vs. Current Characteristics:



Typical Impedance Characteristics:



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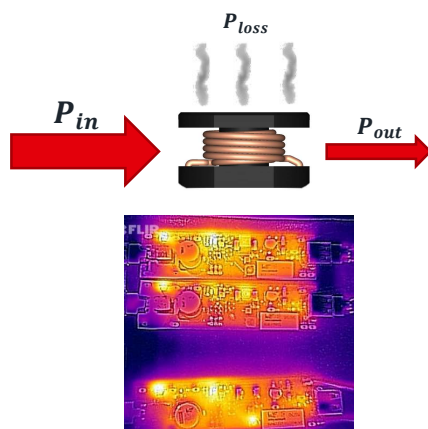


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TEMPERATURE VS LOSSES

Why does the component heat up ?

▪ Losses from energy transit



▪ Temperature rise specification

- The overall behavior is :

$$P_{loss} = P_{DC} + P_{AC}$$

- To be able to simplify measurement only DC is used:

$$P_{loss} = R_{DC} \cdot I_{DC}^2$$

▪ How estimate overall losses?

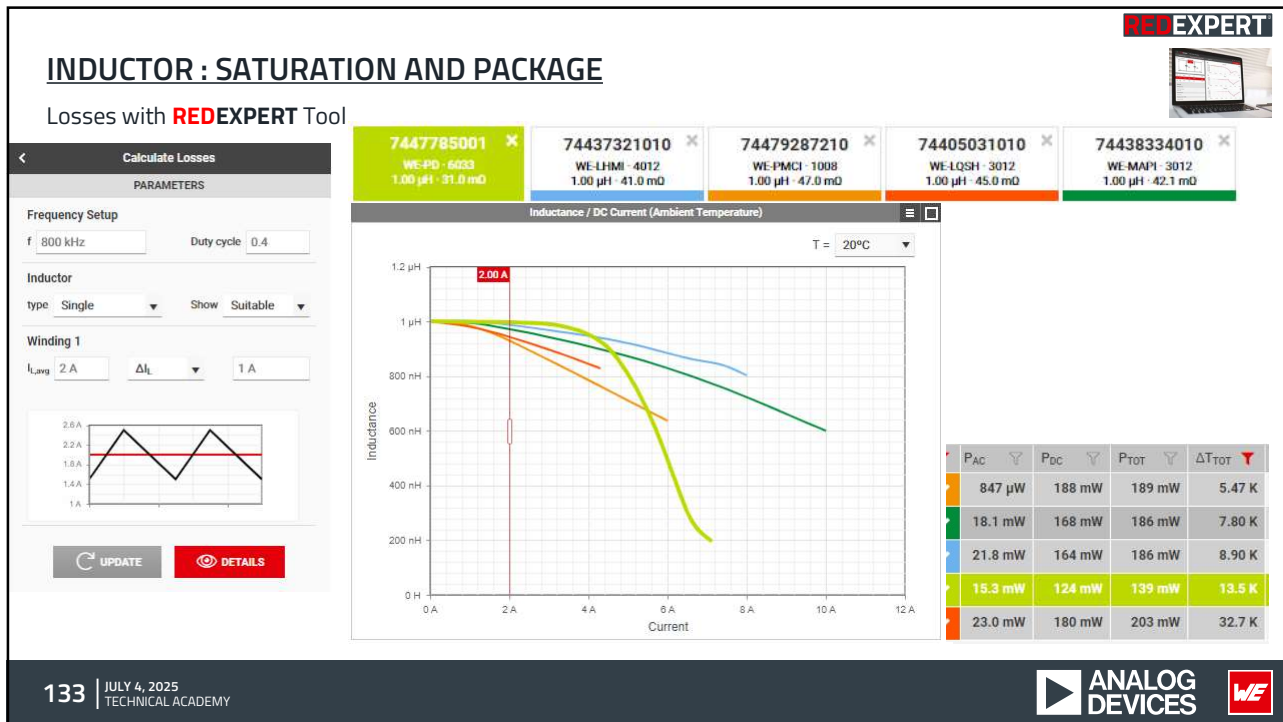
- Launch :

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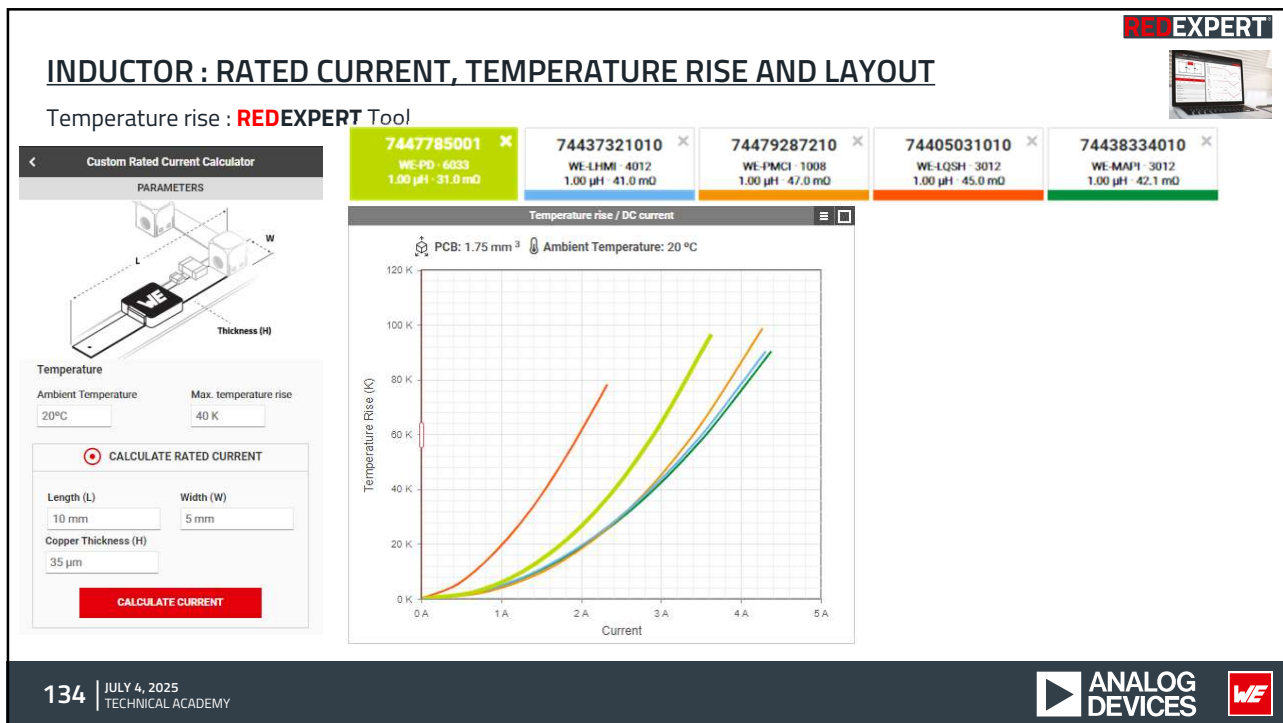
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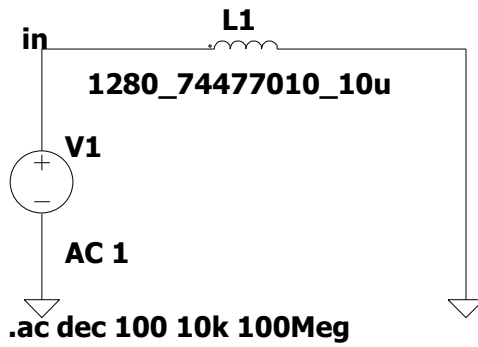


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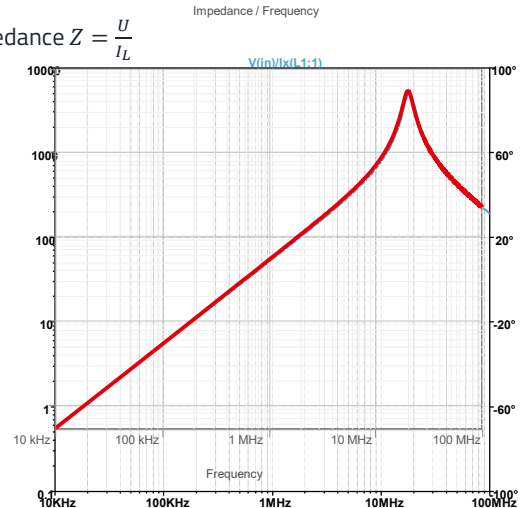
Various tools same results, just choose your preferred

- LtSpice simulation



- Impedance $Z = \frac{U}{I_L}$

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CAPACITOR THEORY

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CAPACITORS

Theory : capacitor and parasitic

- The equivalent circuit for a capacitor is as follows:
 - parasitic elements

- ESR - Equivalent series resistor

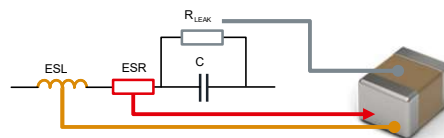
- Causes self-heating $P = ESR \cdot I_{RMS}^2$
 - Maximum value is typically specified at 120Hz and 20°C (typ.)

- Can be calculated as follows:

$$ESR = \frac{\tan \delta}{2 \cdot \pi \cdot f \cdot C} = \tan \delta \cdot X_C \quad X_C = \frac{1}{C \cdot \omega} = \frac{1}{2 \cdot \pi \cdot f \cdot C}$$

- ESL - Equivalent series inductor

$$X_L = 2 \cdot \pi \cdot f \cdot ESL$$

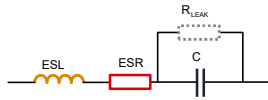
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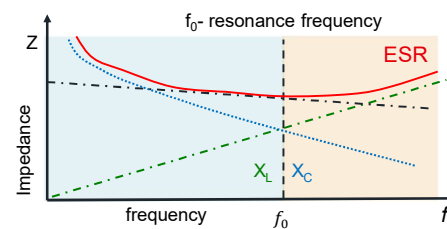
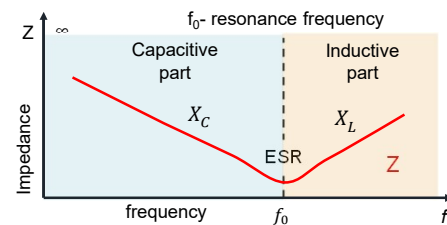
CAPACITOR : IMPEDANCE Z

Well known behavior ?!



- $Z = \sqrt{ESR^2 + (X_L - X_C)^2}$
- $Z = \sqrt{ESR^2 + \left(ESL \cdot \omega - \frac{1}{C \cdot \omega}\right)^2} \quad \omega = 2 \cdot \pi \cdot f$
- $f_0 = \frac{1}{2 \cdot \pi \cdot \sqrt{ESL \cdot C}}$

Note: the ESR of any capacitor have a certain frequency dependance



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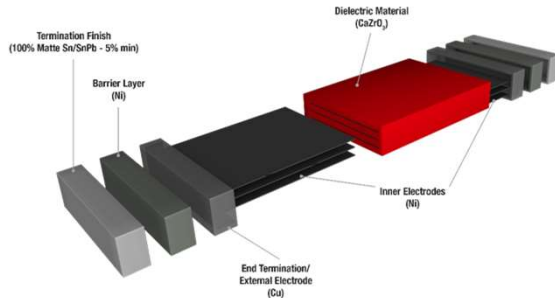
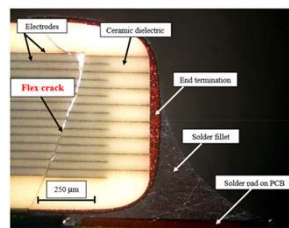
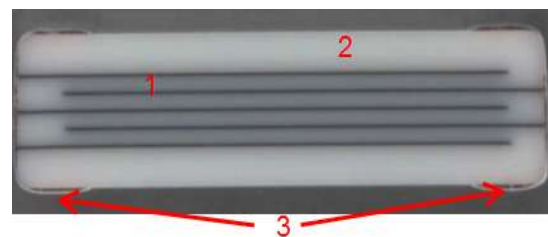


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CAPACITORS

Ceramic : **M**ulti **L**ayer **C**eramic **C**apacitor

- Different classes
 - Class 1 : NP0, COG
 - Class 2 : X7R, X5R...
- Low ESR : few mΩ
- Ultra Low ESL : ≈x100 pH
- Soft termination versions (aid to prevent cracks)



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Aluminum: Electrolytic / Polymer / Hybrid polymer

- Electrolytic

- Wet electrolyte
- Higher voltage / values
 - Voltage $\leq 450V$
 - Capacity up to $33000\mu F$
- THT / SMT / Snap in mount



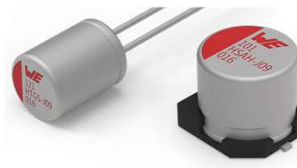
- Polymer

- Solid electrolyte
- Lower ESR / ESL
 - Voltage $\leq 100V$
 - Capacity up to $2000\mu F$
- THT / SMT / H-Chip: Low profile & Low ESR versions
- Lifetime



- Hybrid polymer

- Low ESR & Low leakage current
- High ripple current characteristics
- High stability over the temperature range
- High lifetime performance



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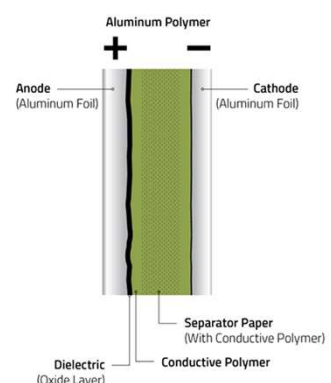
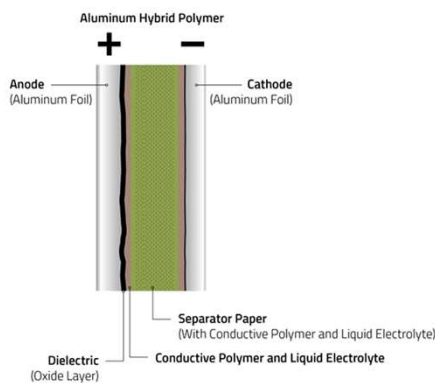
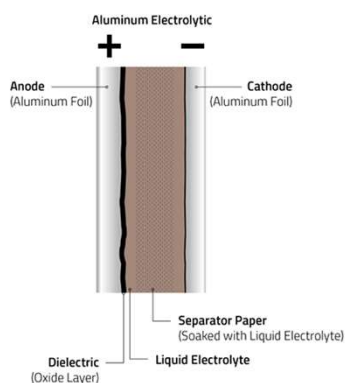


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Aluminum: Electrolytic / Polymer / Hybrid polymer

- Physical construction



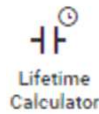
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Electrolytic : aging & lifetime with **REDEXPERT**



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- Formula :
 - Aluminum electrolytic

$$L_X = L_{nom} \cdot 2^{\frac{T_{Max}-T_a}{10}}$$

- Aluminum Polymer

$$L_X = L_{nom} \cdot 10^{\frac{T_{Max}-T_a}{20}}$$

Expected Lifetime

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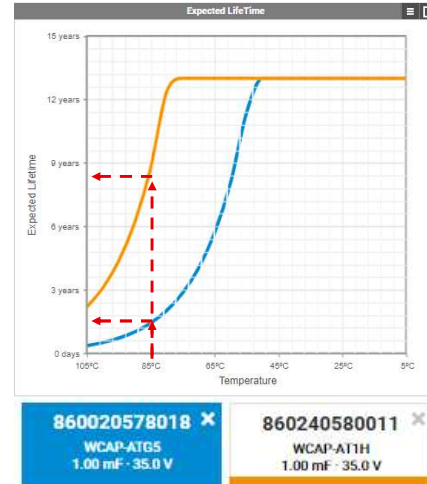
Actual Operating Temperature
T 80°C

Applied Frequency
f 510 kHz

Applied Voltage
V 25 V

Applied Ripple Current
I_r 500 mA

☐ Do not apply Ripple Current filter



- Example: comparison of two 1000µF/35V 105 °C
 - ATG5 general purpose [WCAP-ATG5# 860020578018](#)
 - AT1H long life [WCAP-AT1H# 860240580011](#)
 - PTG5 Polymer [WCAP-PTG5# 870025175010](#)

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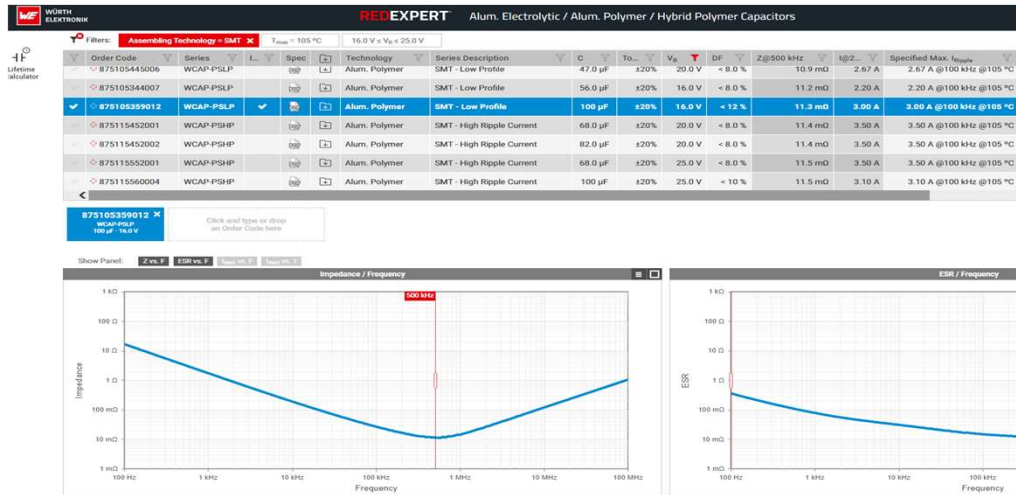
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HOW DO YOU FIND THE BEST FITTING INPUT CAP FOR DCDC?

e.g. fsw: 500kHz / Vin: 12V → <https://we-online.com/re/5syv8W1>

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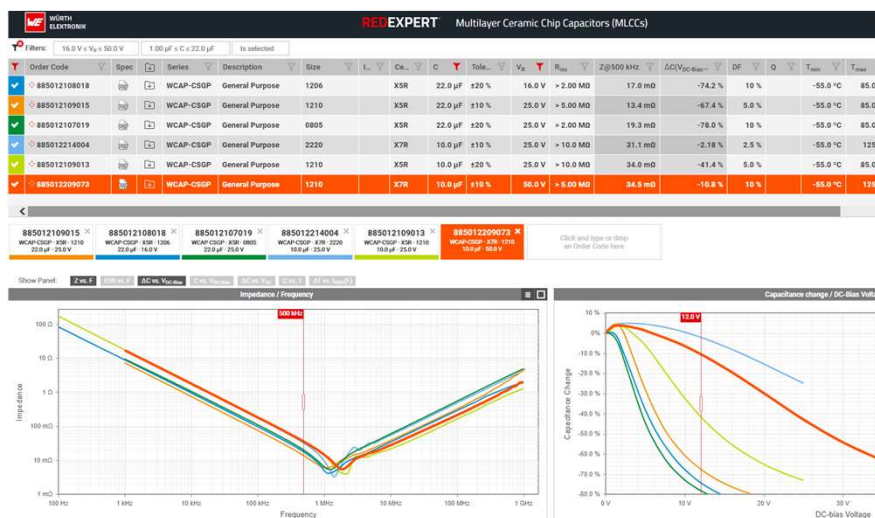
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e.g. fsw: 500kHz / Vin: 12V → <https://we-online.com/re/5syxRGEc>

OK, BUT WHY NOT A MLCC?

Do you know Bias effect ? Two values two with two packages comparison

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CAPACITORS : BIAS AND PACKAGE

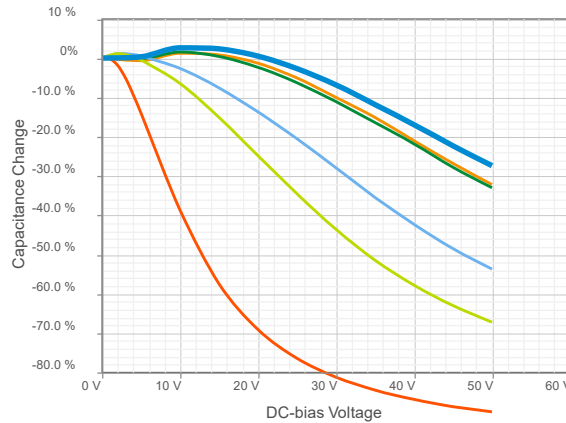
MLCC DC Bias behavior : Size impact onto technology

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Capacitance change / DC-Bias Voltage



<https://we-online.com/re/5t07mVB4>

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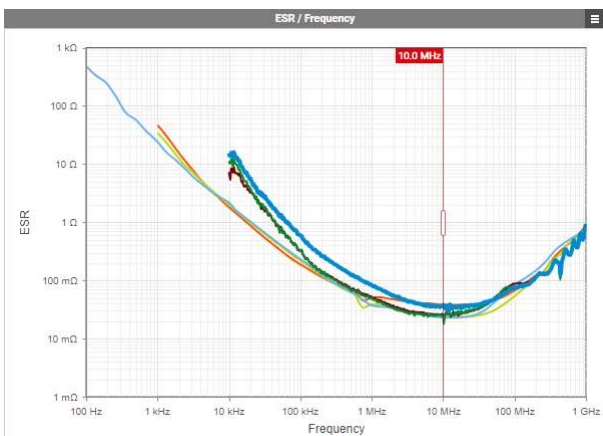
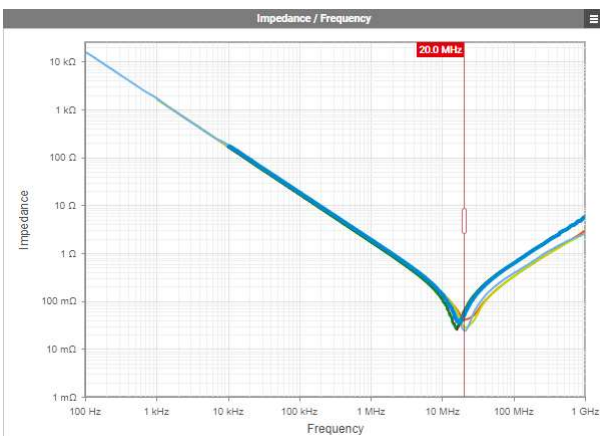
CAPACITORS : ESR AND FREQUENCY

MLCC behavior : global impedance and ESR behavior

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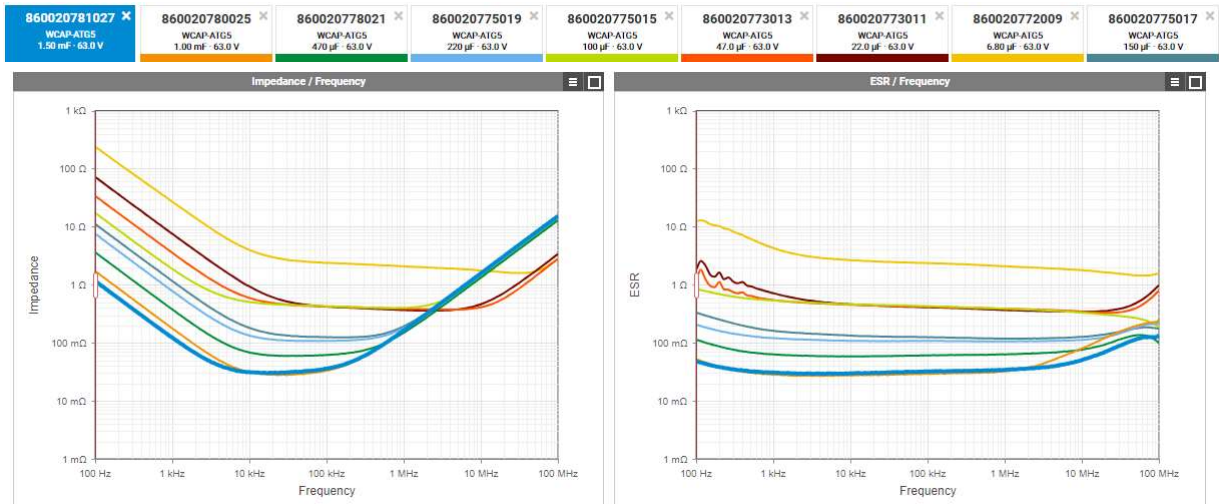


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CAPACITORS : ESR AND FREQUENCY

Aluminum caps behavior : global impedance and ESR behavior

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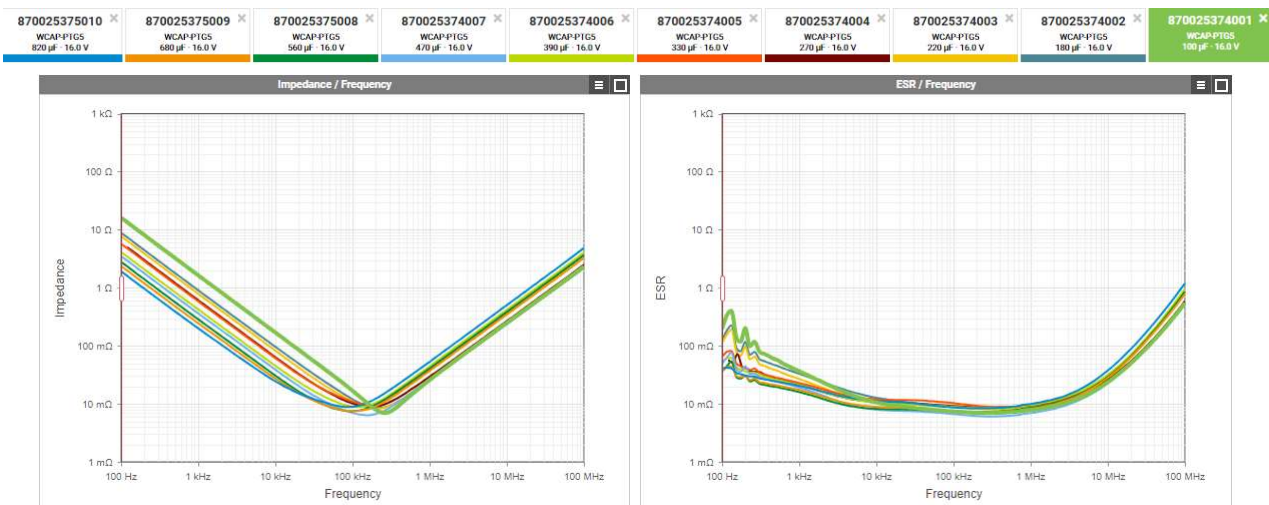


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Aluminum Polymer caps behavior : global impedance and ESR behavior

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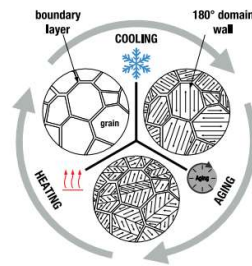
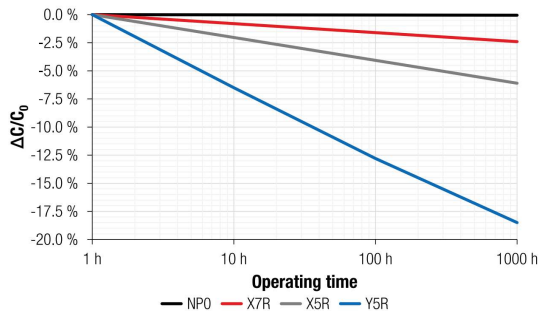


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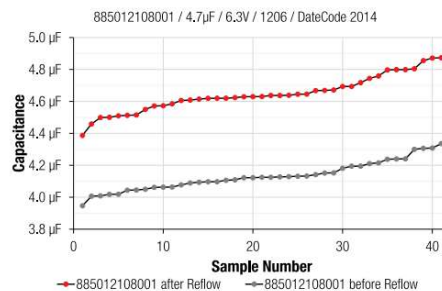
MLCC (MULTILAYER CERAMIC CAPACITOR)

Aging of MLCCs

- Aging process due to changes in crystal structure
- Decreased permittivity cause capacitance loss
- Class 1 (NPO) no aging
- Class 2 has different aging
- Behavior depends on ceramic materials



Check the
Application Note
SN011 for more
information about
MLCC Aging



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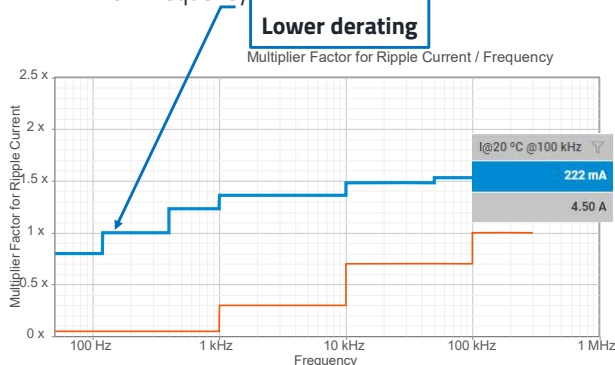


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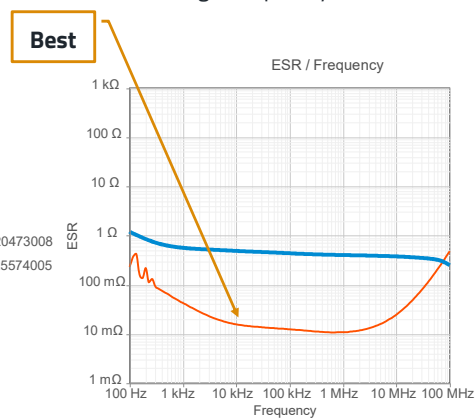
RIPPLE CURRENT

Order Code	Series	Spec	Technology	Series Description	C	To...	V _R	DF
860020473008	WCAP-ATG5		Alum. Electrolytic	THT - General Purpose +105°C	100 μF	±20%	25.0 V	< 14 %
870025574005	WCAP-PTG5		Alum. Polymer	THT - General Purpose +105°C	100 μF	±20%	25.0 V	< 8.0 %

- **Aluminum Electrolytic** Capacitors
 - **Recommended** for mains rectification / filtering
 - Low frequency



- **Aluminum Polymer** Capacitors
 - **Lower** ESR and high frequency dedicated



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CAPACITIVE POWER SUPPLY

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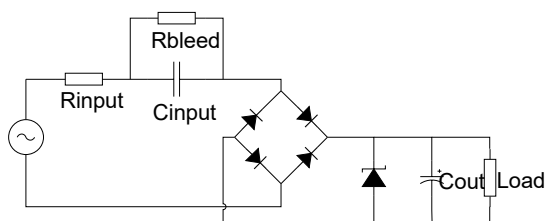
Special use and simulation

- Capacitive Power Supplies: with FTXH series
[WCAP-FTXH_2](#)

Cinput: fixed impedance act as current source

Rinput: inrush current limiter $\widehat{V}_{ac} = 325V$ and $V_{out} = 0V$

Rbleed: security discharge resistor

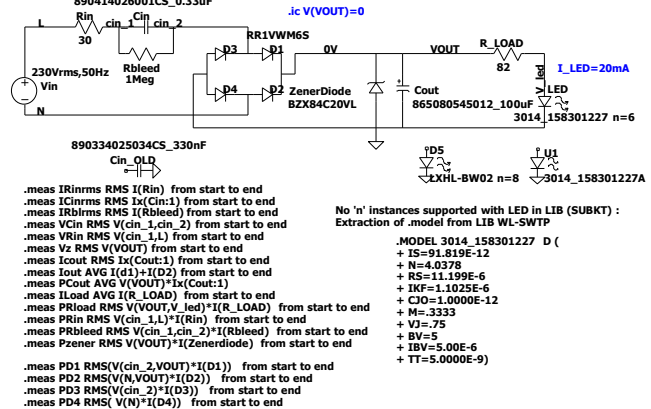


- LtSpice Schematic

Capacitive Power Supply (Transformerless capacitive voltage dropper)

Würth Elektronik eSas GmbH & Co.KG

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Capacitive Power Supplies

- Log results (truncated)
"CTRL L" to display log file for measurements

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Simulate: transient analysis
.tran 600ms startup
; Power Efficiency Calculation

.meas start PARAM 300ms
.meas end param 600ms
.meas PRectAgain param PD1 + PD2 + PD3 + PD4
.meas PCin param (V(cin_1,cin_2)*Ix(Cin:1)) from start to end
.meas Plosses param PRectAgain + PCout + Pzener + PRbleed + PRin
;meas Pin_S RMS V(L,N) * RMS I(VIN) from start to end
;meas Pin param Pout / (Pout+Plosses) from start to end
.meas Pin_P AVG (-I(Vin)*V(L,N)) from start to end
.meas Pout AVG V(VOUT)*I(R_LOAD) from start to end
.meas Effic param Pout/Pin_P
;meas Effic2 param Pout/Pin
; Power Factor Calculation

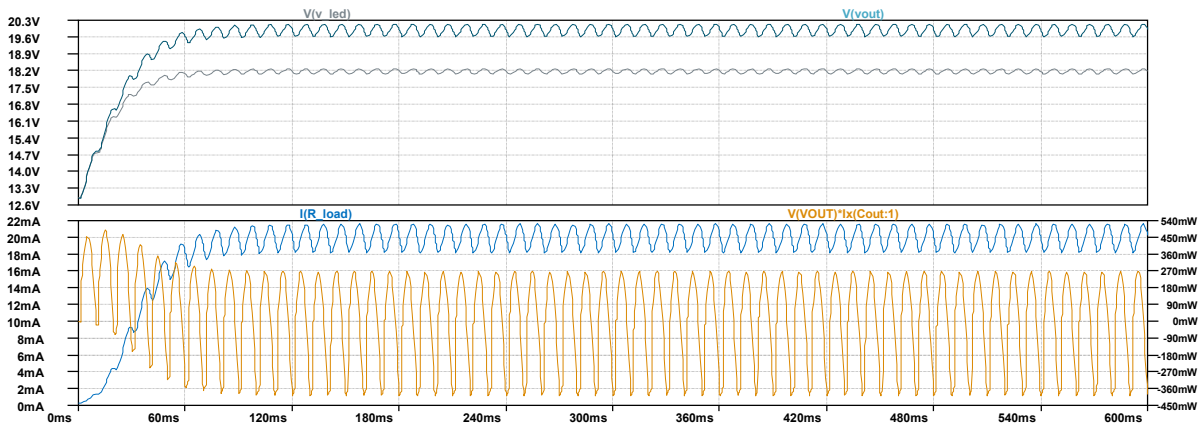
.meas Irms RMS I(VIN) from start to end
.meas Vrms RMS V(L,N) from start to end
.meas Pin_S param Vrms*Irms
.meas PF param Pin_P/Pin_S
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Param Name	Formula	Values	FROM	Start	TO	Stop
start:	300ms	0.3				
end:	600ms	0.6				
prectagain:	pd1+pd2+pd3+pd4	0.0515952				
pcin:	(v(cin_1,cin_2)*ix(cin:1))	-0.148631				
plosses:	prectagain+pcout+pzener+prbleed+prin	0.174153				
pin_p:	AVG(-i(vin)*v(l,n))	0.492995	FROM	0.3	TO	0.6
pout:	AVG(v(vout)*i(r_load))	0.388436	FROM	0.3	TO	0.6
effic:	pout/pin_p	0.78791				
irms:	RMS(i(vin))	0.0233345	FROM	0.3	TO	0.6
vrms:	RMS(v(l,n))	229.81	FROM	0.3	TO	0.6
pin_s:	vrms*irms	5.36251				
pf:	pin_p/pin_s	0.0919336				

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Capacitive Power Supplies

- Scopes of main current and voltages :



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Some other technologies and structure

- Snap-in and screw...

https://www.we-online.com/en/components/products/pbs/capacitors/aluminium_electrolytic_capacitors/aluminium_electrolytic_snap-in_capacitors

https://www.we-online.com/en/components/products/pbs/capacitors/aluminium_electrolytic_capacitors/wcap_screw_capacitors

- Non polar

<https://www.we-online.com/en/components/products/WCAP-ASNP>



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Vibration-proof Aluminum Electrolytic- and Aluminum Hybrid Polymer Capacitors!

- Capacitors with high base plates are available on request for Aluminum Electrolytic- and Aluminum Hybrid Polymer Capacitors, as project parts.
- What are the benefits? - The SMT capacitor is surrounded by a high base plate that also has larger soldering pads, due to that, the results in vibration tests improve and the parts can withstand up to 30G.
- Ask us for more information about the High Baseplate

