

EMI Modeling and Analysis of Non-Isolated DC/DC Converters

非隔离DC/DC变换器电磁干扰的分析与建模方法

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Agenda

Background and EMI/EMC Centers in MPS

Conducted EMI Modeling and Analysis

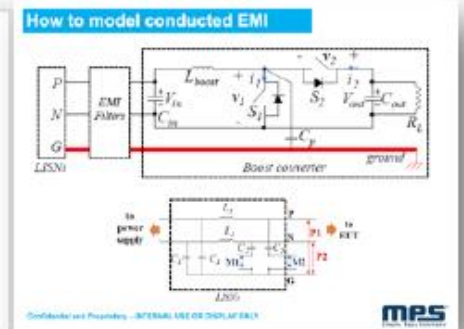
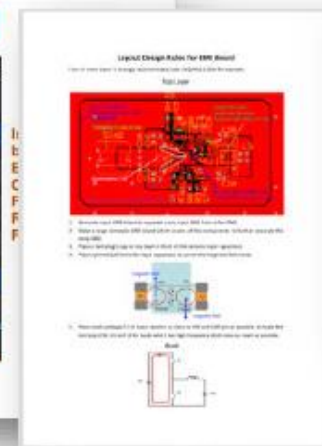
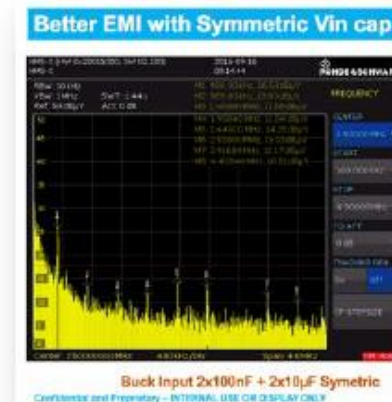
Radiated EMI Modeling and Analysis

Conclusion

MPS EMI Backgrounds

- \$6M investment to build **EMI labs** – help customer to design for EMI in early stage
 - Offenburg – Germany
 - Detroit – USA
 - Hangzhou – China
- **Advanced EMI Model** development for customers
- **University Cooperation** on advanced EMI topics
- Better EMI performance by **IC design** and **system design**

Hangzhou EMI Lab



New Detroit Automotive Center

40,000 SF
Conveniently located in
Livonia off I-275



Local Technical Experts



Pre-Compliance Testing



Functional Safety



Design Seminars

MPS Livonia

3-Meter Chamber

- ✓ Radiated Emissions (RE)
- ✓ Conducted Emissions (CE)
- ✓ Radiated Immunity (RI)
- ✓ CISPR25, CISPR32, ISO11452-2, ISO11452-9, IEC61000-4-3

ESD Testing

- ✓ ISO10605
- ✓ IEC61000-4-2

CISPR Chamber

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- ✓ Conducted Emissions (CE)
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CI Testing

- ✓ ISO 7637-2/3
- ✓ ISO 16750-4
- ✓ IEC 61000-4-4/5/11 VDI
- ✓ ANSI/IEEE C62.41

Applications Lab

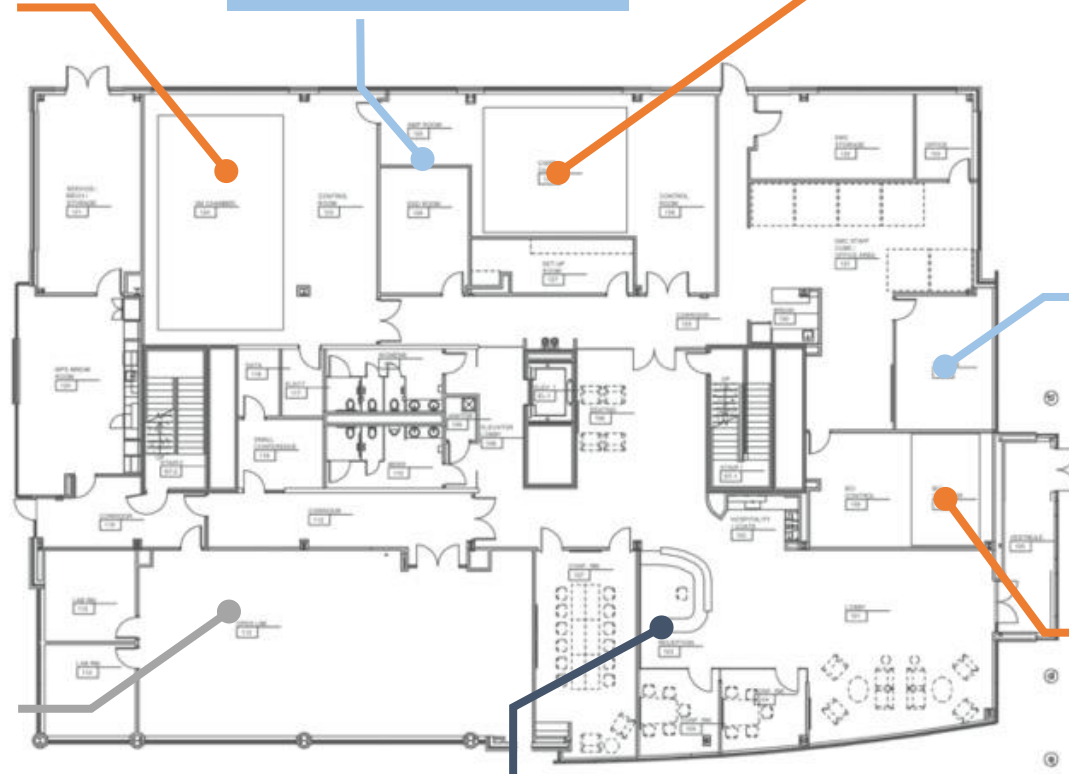
- ✓ Local customer support
- ✓ Reference designs
- ✓ Customer troubleshooting

MPS Training Center

- ✓ Design seminars
- ✓ EMI training
- ✓ Lunch 'n Learns
- ✓ Guest lectures

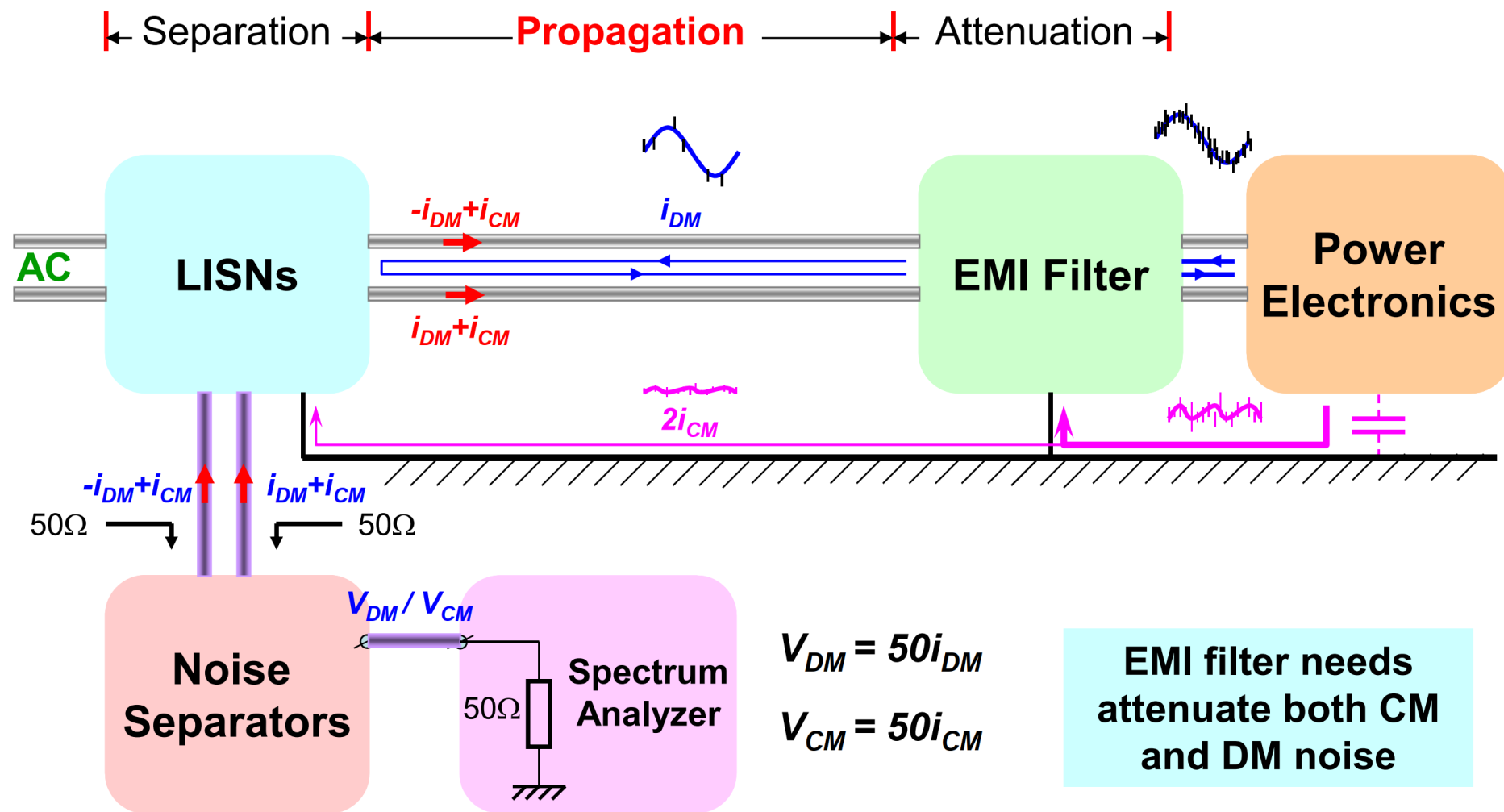
Shielded Chamber

- ✓ Bulk Current Injection (BCI)
- ✓ Magnetic Immunity
- ✓ ISO11452-8, ISO11452-2, IEC61000-4-6



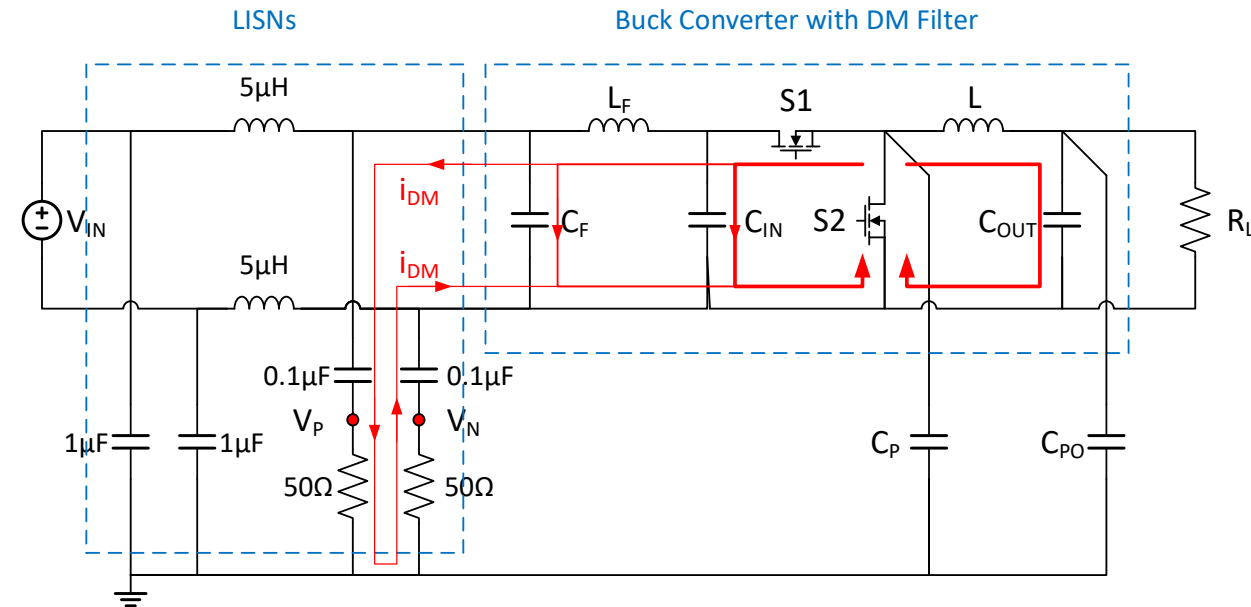
Conducted EMI Modeling and Analysis

Conducted EMI: Modeling and General Reduction Technique



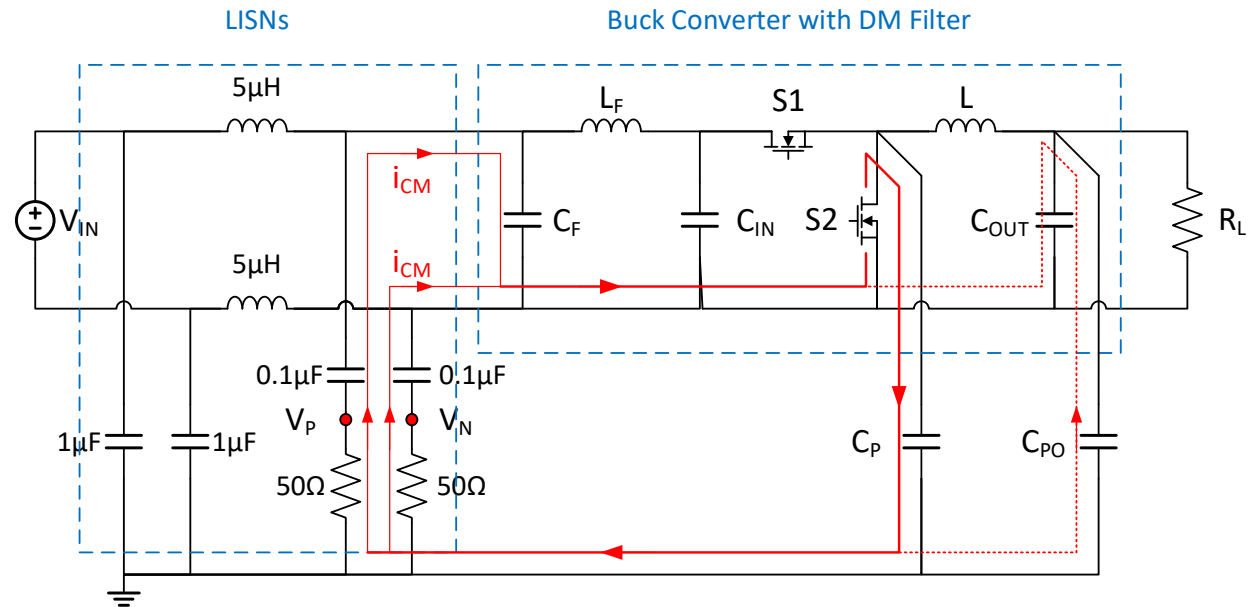
Conducted DM and CM Noise (Low Freq) in a Buck Converter

DM Noise Path



$$V_{DM} = \frac{|V_P - V_N|}{2}$$

CM Noise Path

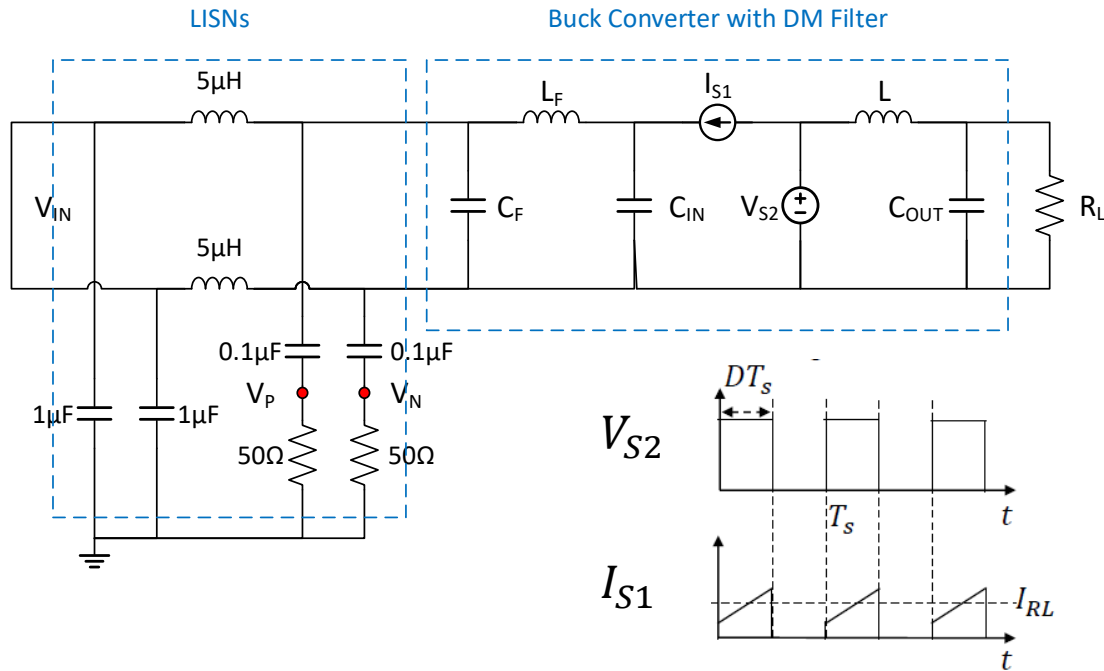


$$V_{CM} = \frac{|V_P + V_N|}{2}$$

Note: High dv/dt nodes and di/dt loops are EMI sources.

DM Noise Source Analysis

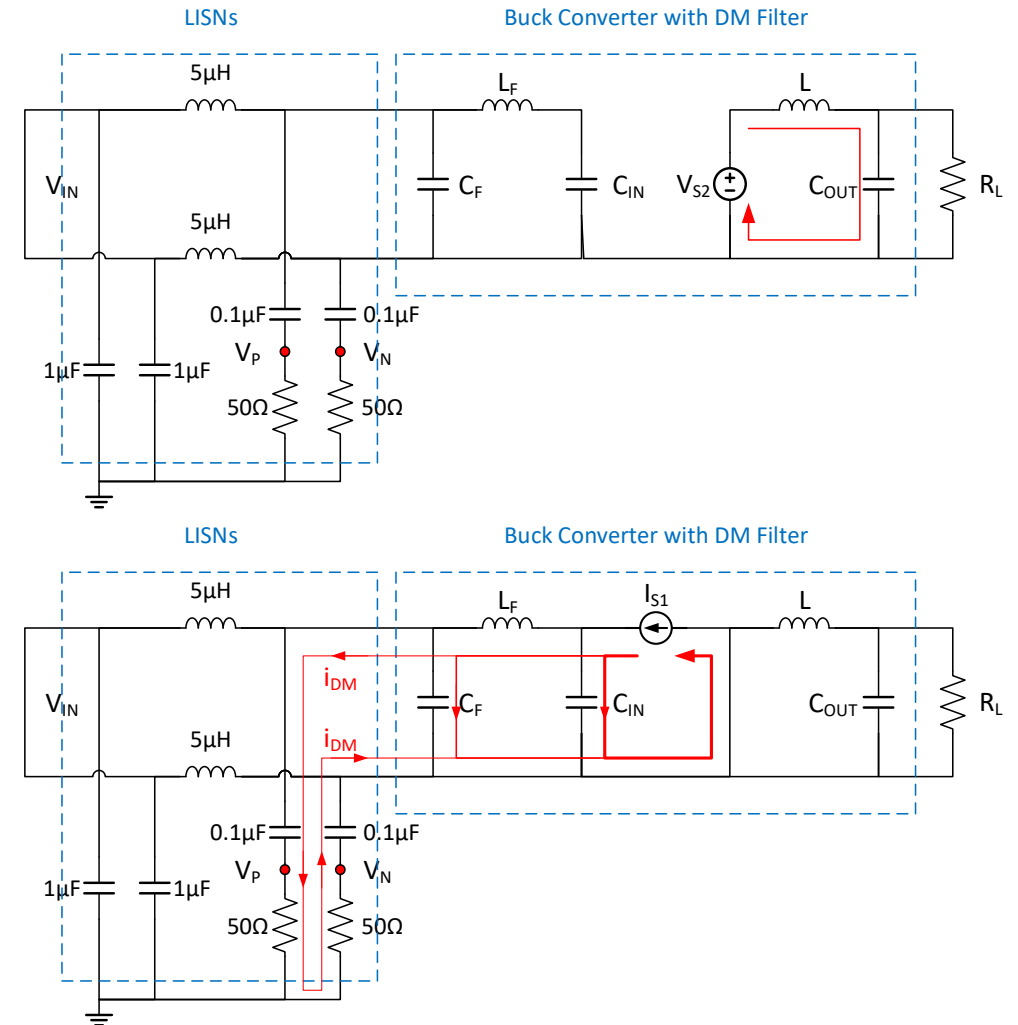
Substitution Theorem



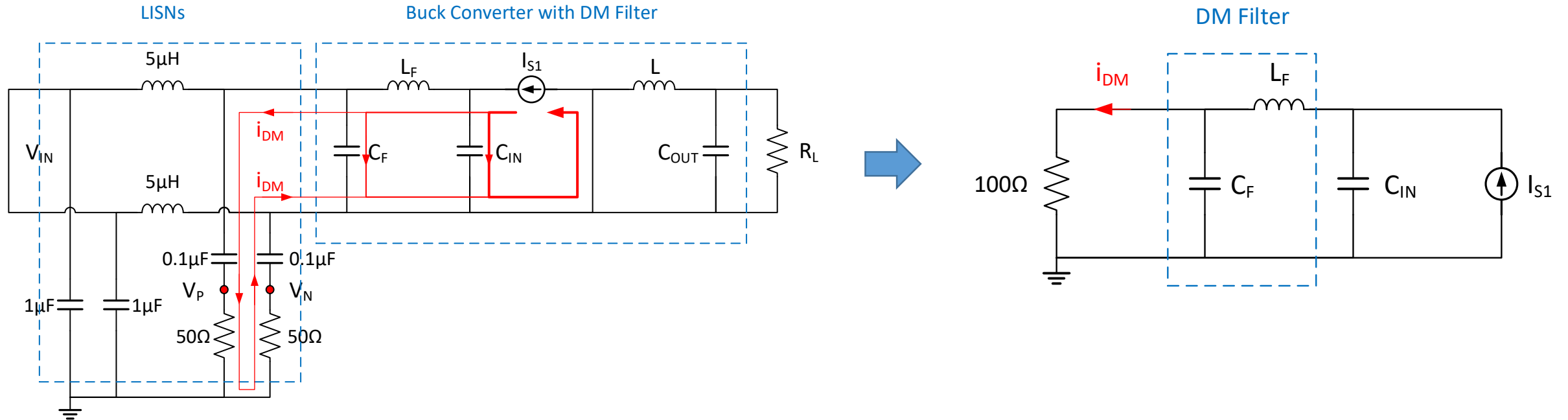
Switches are replaced with voltage or current sources with exact voltage or current of the switches.

Since DM current tends not flow to the ground, the parasitics to ground are ignored.

Superposition Theorem



Basic DM Noise Model

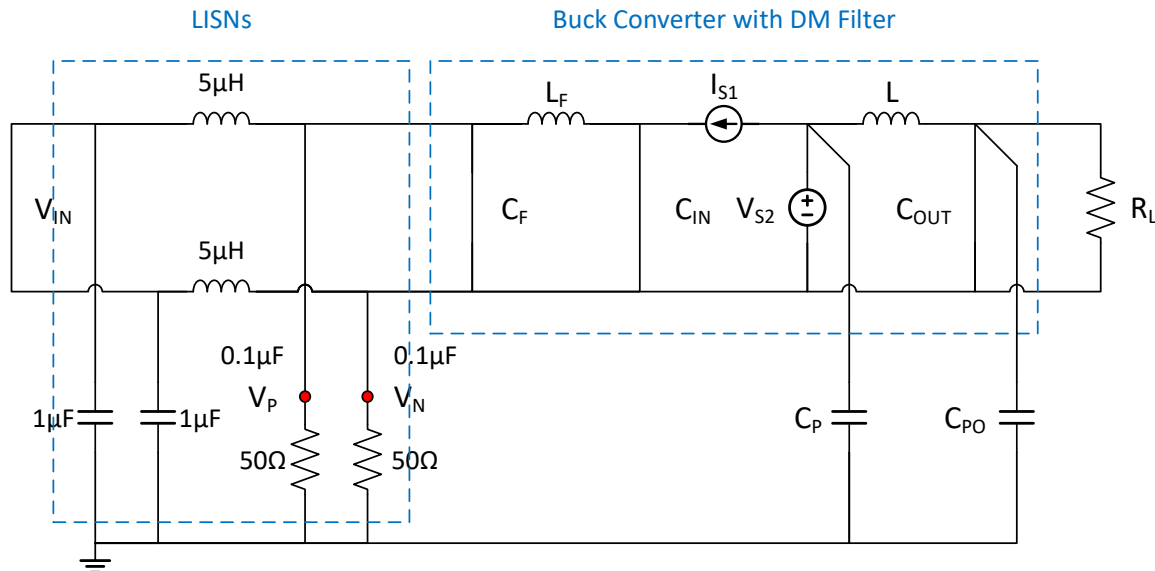


For DM analysis, the LISNs' Impedance can be seen as an 100Ω resistance.

Typically, the DM noise attenuation can be done by **designing a input LC filter properly**.

CM Noise Source Analysis

Substitution Theorem

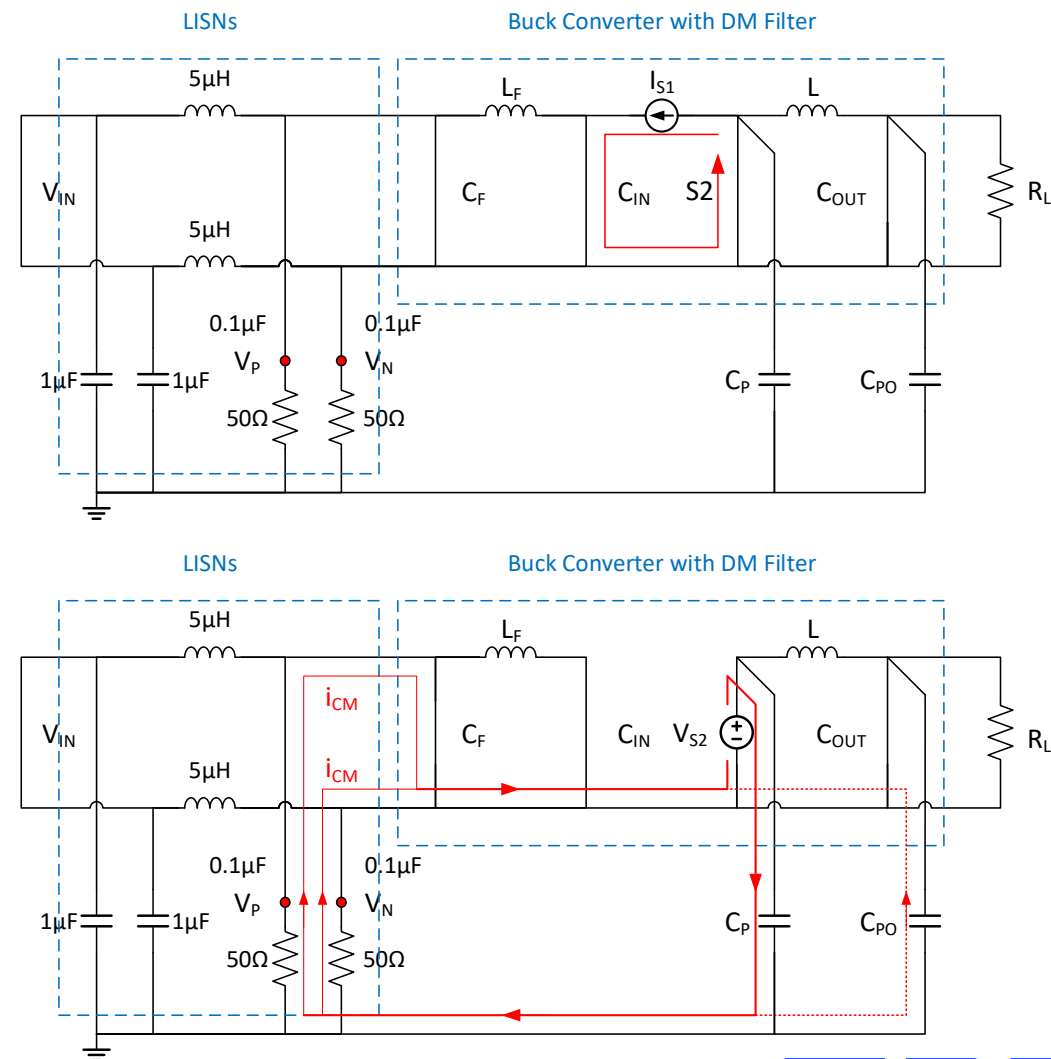


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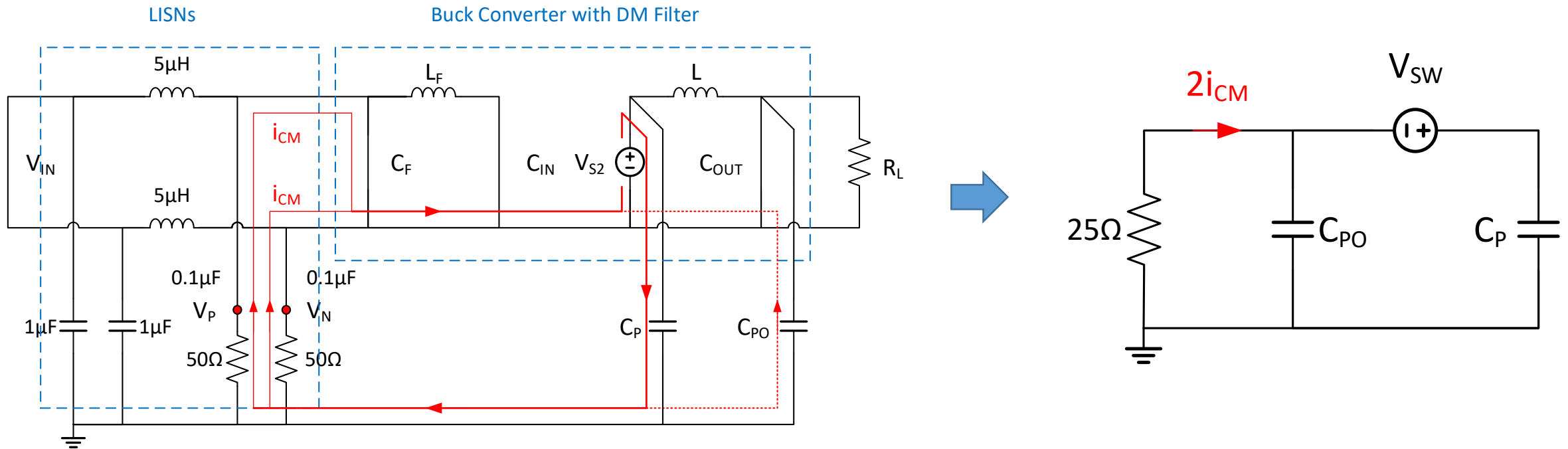
Capacitors can be considered as short due to low impedance at EMI low-frequency range.



Superposition Theorem



Basic CM Noise Model



For CM analysis, the LISNs' Impedance can be seen as a 25Ω resistance.

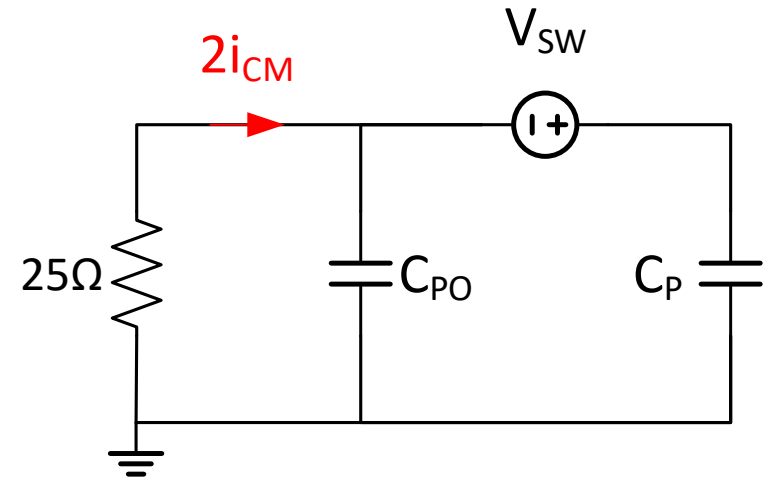
General CM Noise Reduction Techniques based on EMI Model

Reduction from Noise Source:

1. Change fsw or reduce slew rate for EMI noise reduction
2. Apply Frequency Spread Spectrum in IC Design

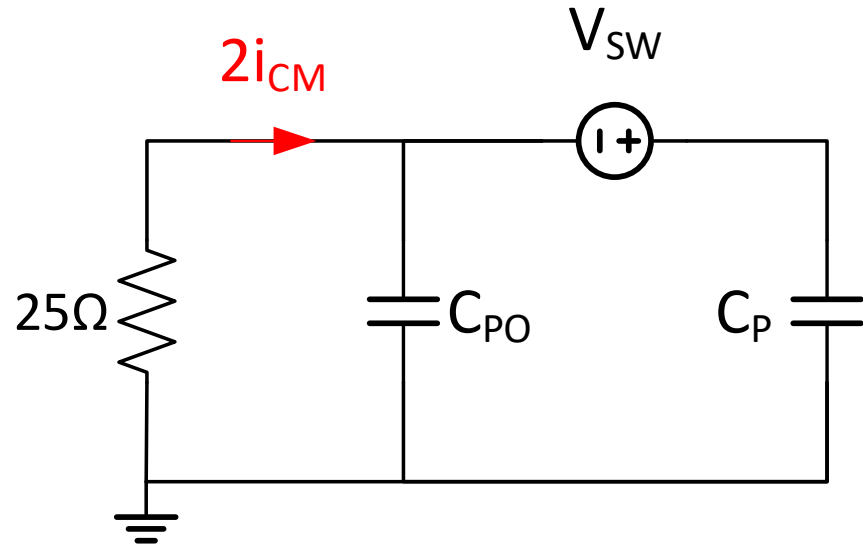
Reduction from Noise Path:

1. Reduce the size of dv/dt node and the inductor to reduce C_p
2. Apply shielding to reduce the influence of the C_p

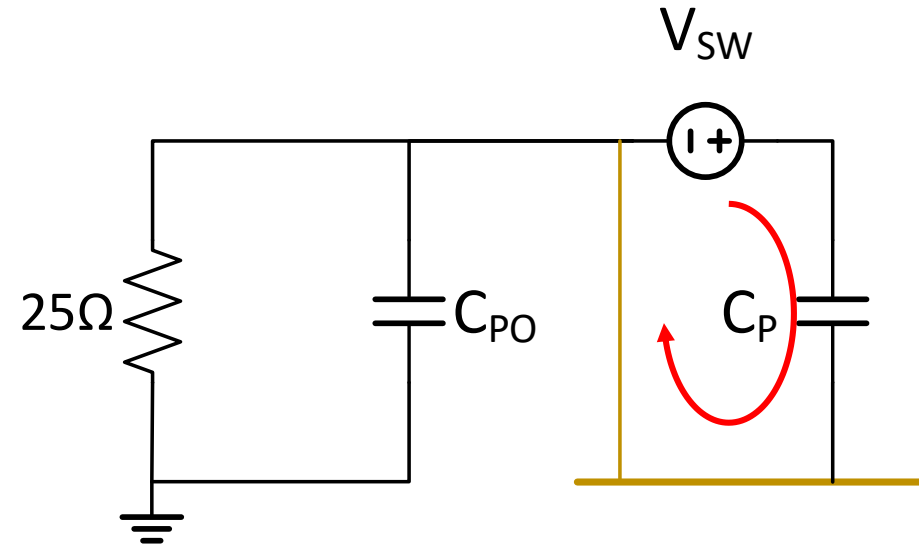


Modeling: Apply Shielding to Reduce EMI Noise

Without Shielding



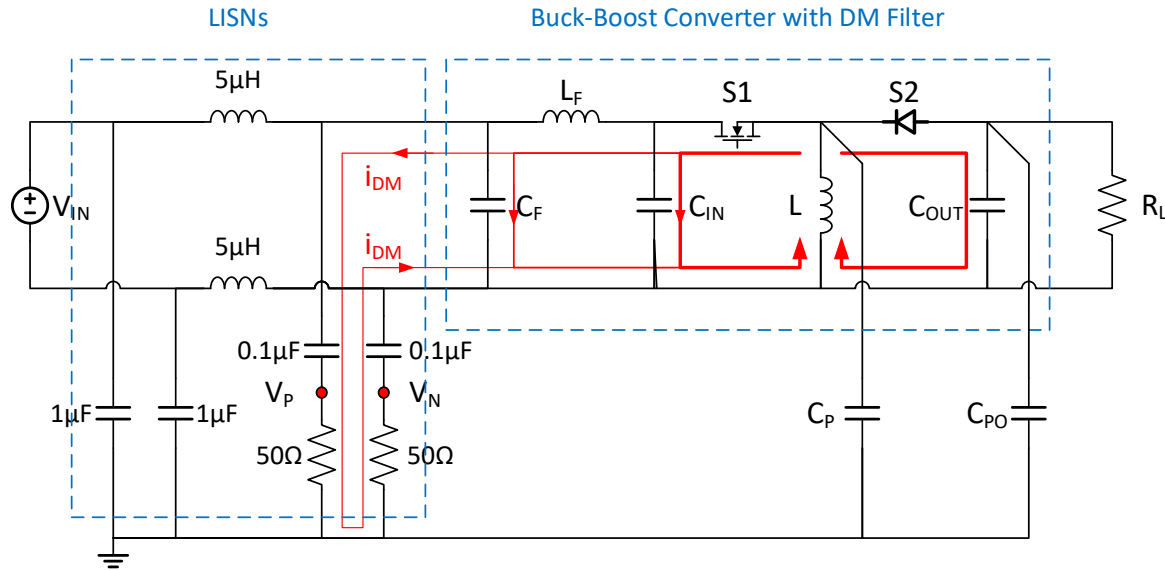
With a Grounded Shielding



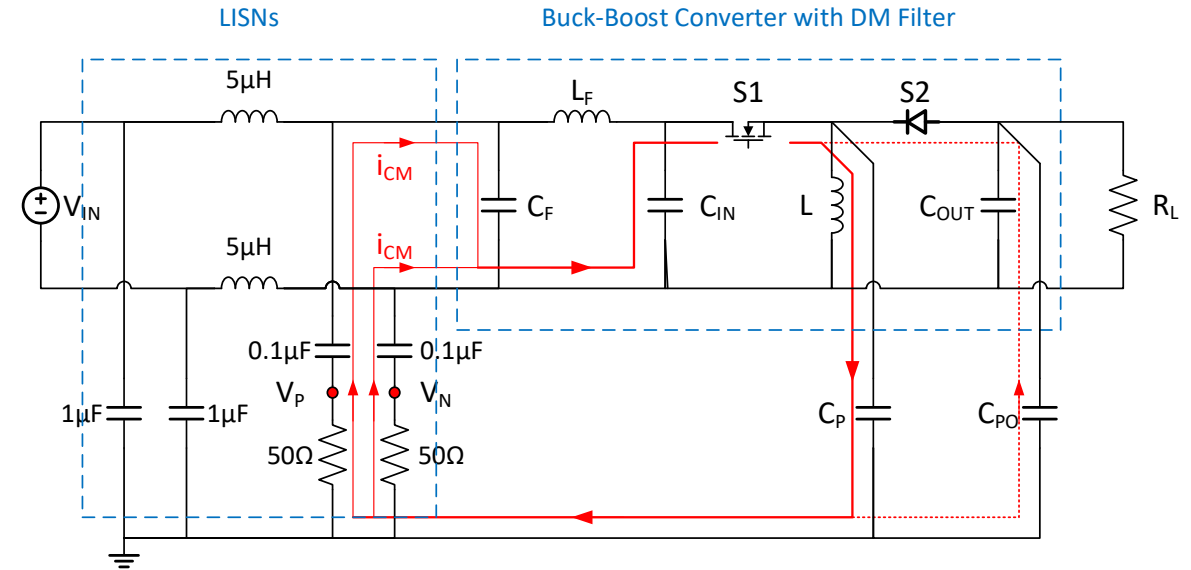
Note: With a grounded shielding, the noise current is confined in the converter, and will not flow through the LISNs. The shielding should be applied to shield the high dv/dt node and the output inductor.

Extend to Other Topology: Noise Paths in Buck-Boost Converter

DM Noise Path



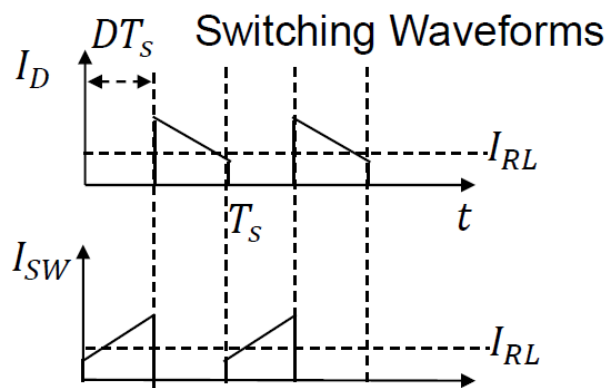
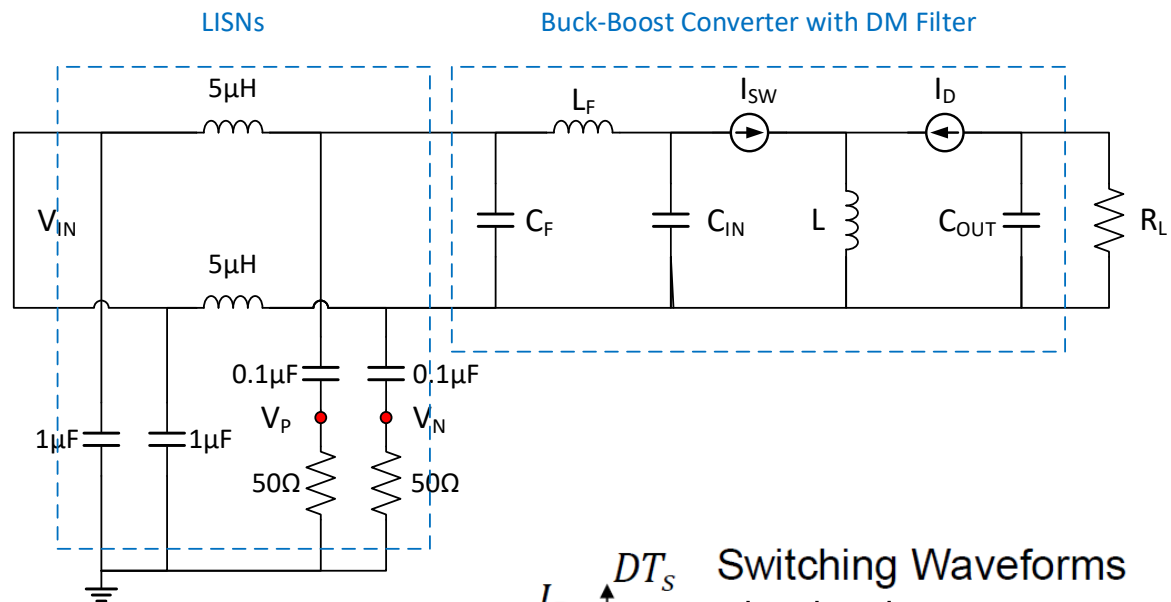
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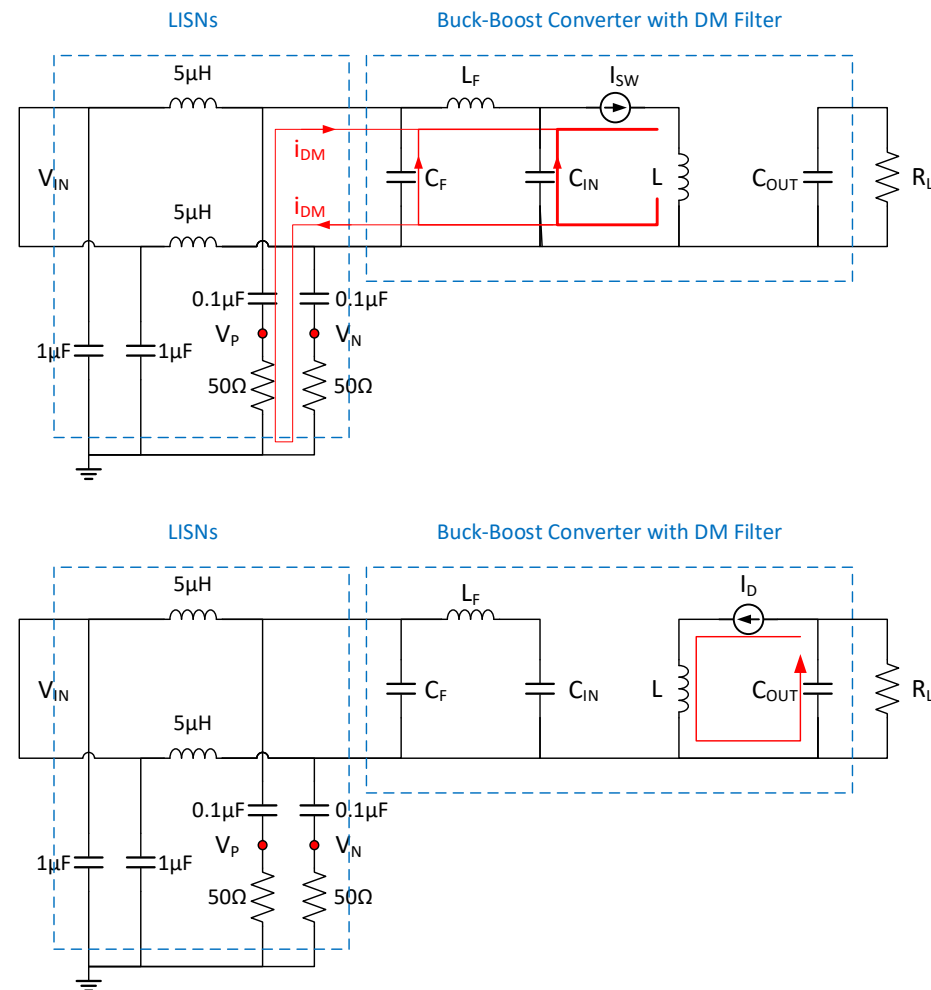
Note: A similar modeling method can be applied for all non-isolated converters.

DM Noise Source Analysis and Modeling for Buck-Boost Converter

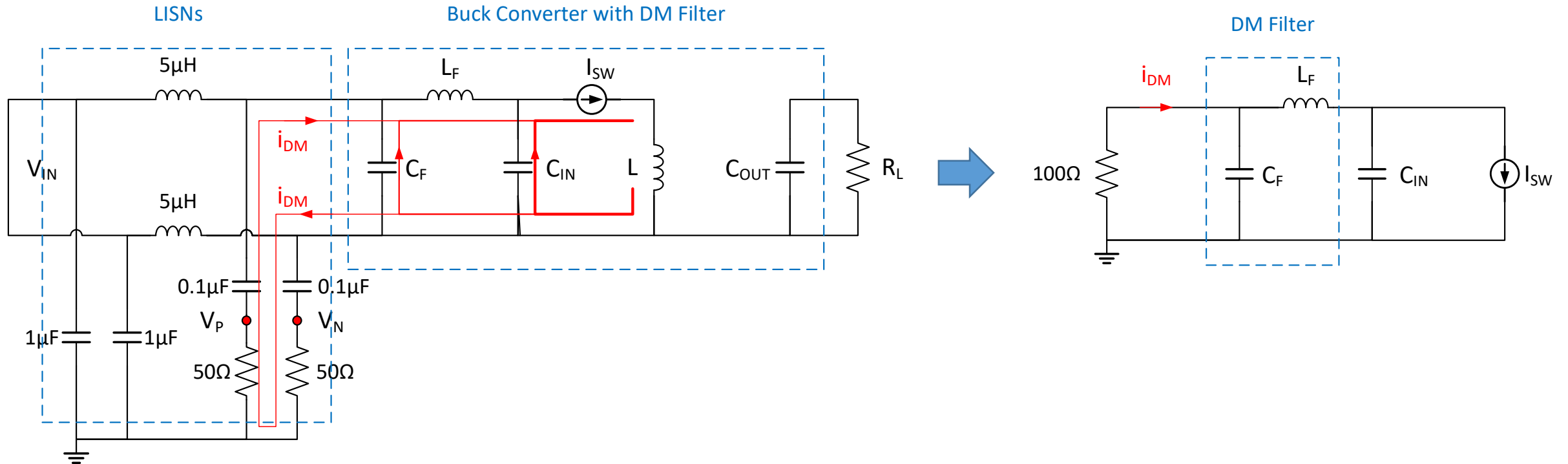
Substitution Theorem



Superposition Theorem

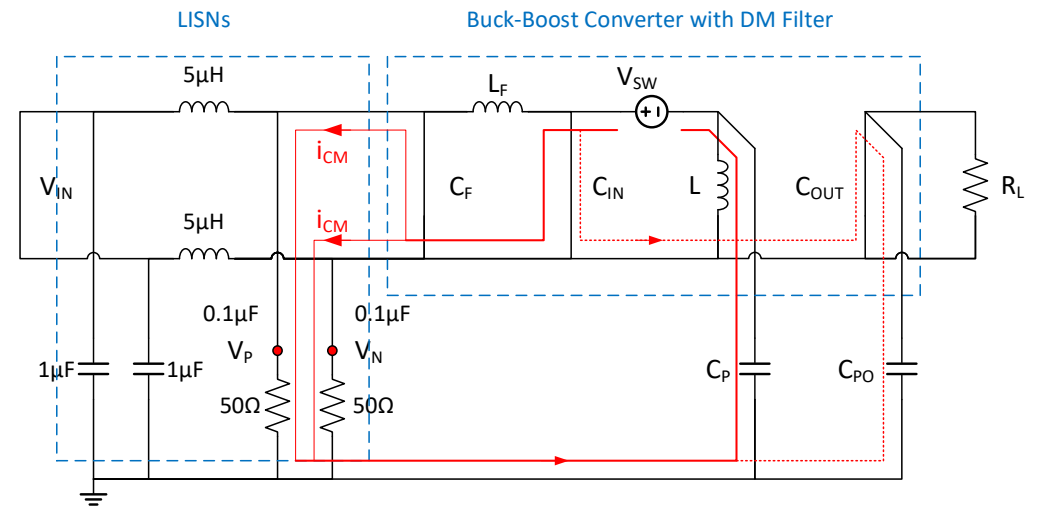
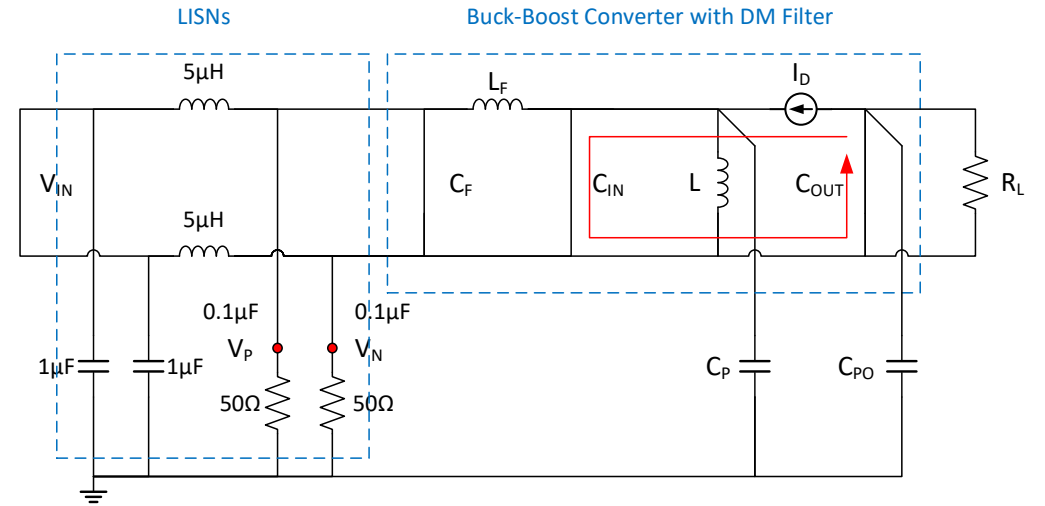
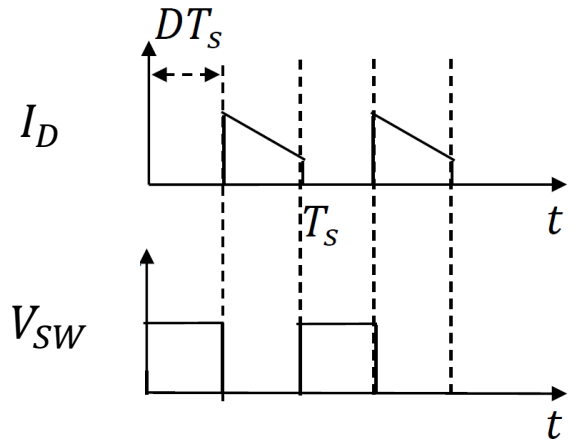
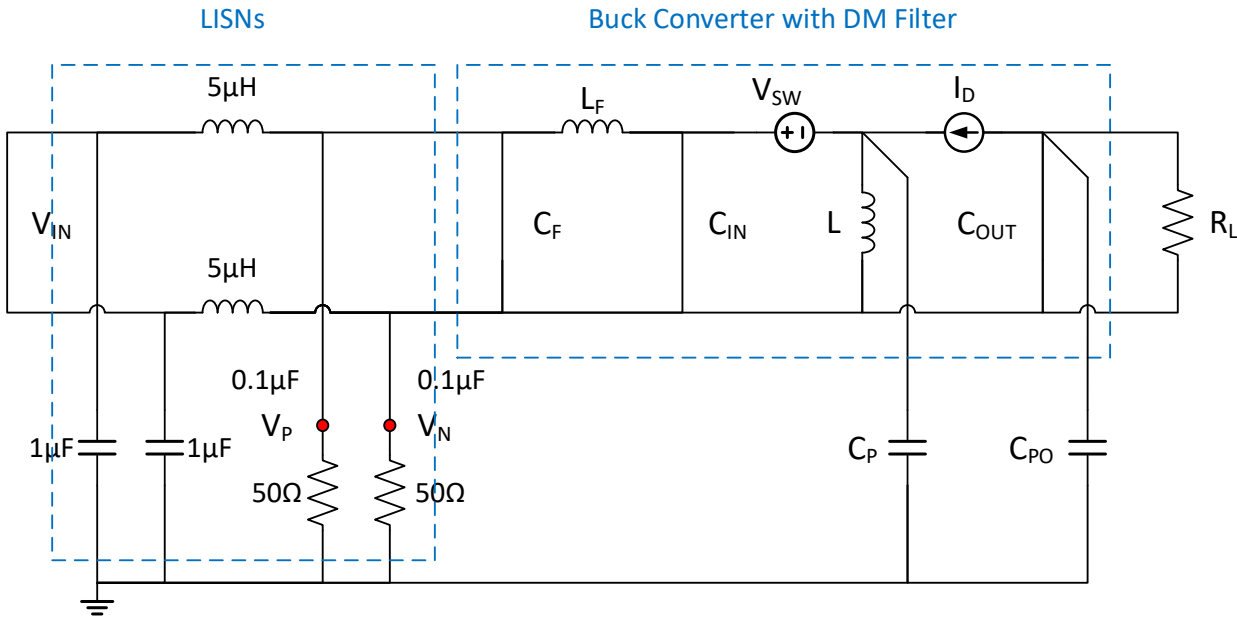


Buck-Boost DM Noise Model

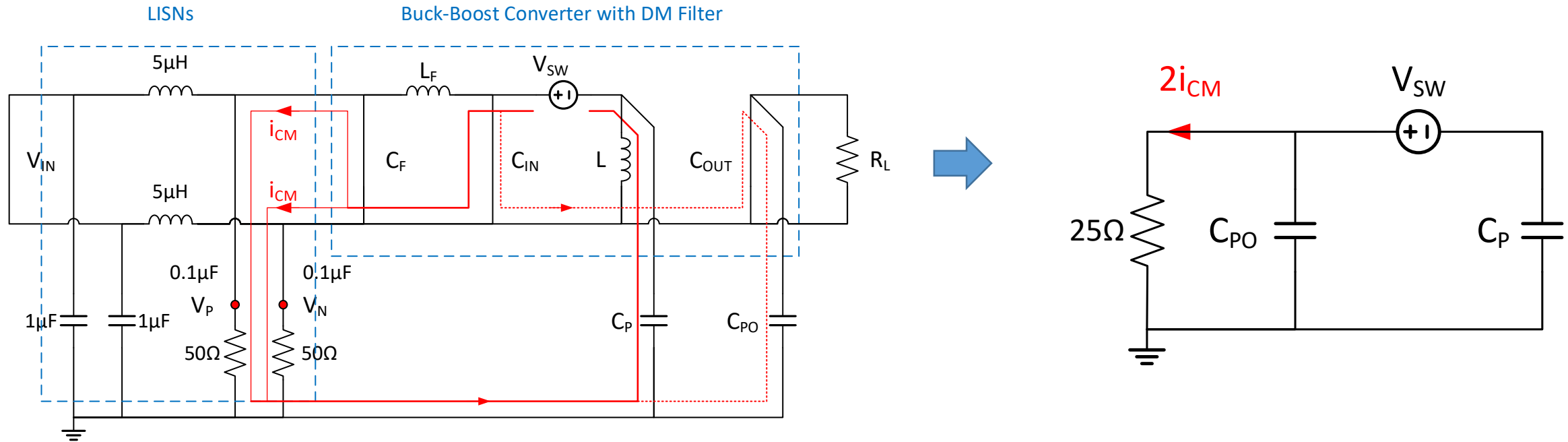


Note: Its DM noise model is just similar to Buck converter.

CM Noise Source Analysis and Modeling for Buck-Boost Converter



Buck-Boost CM Noise Model

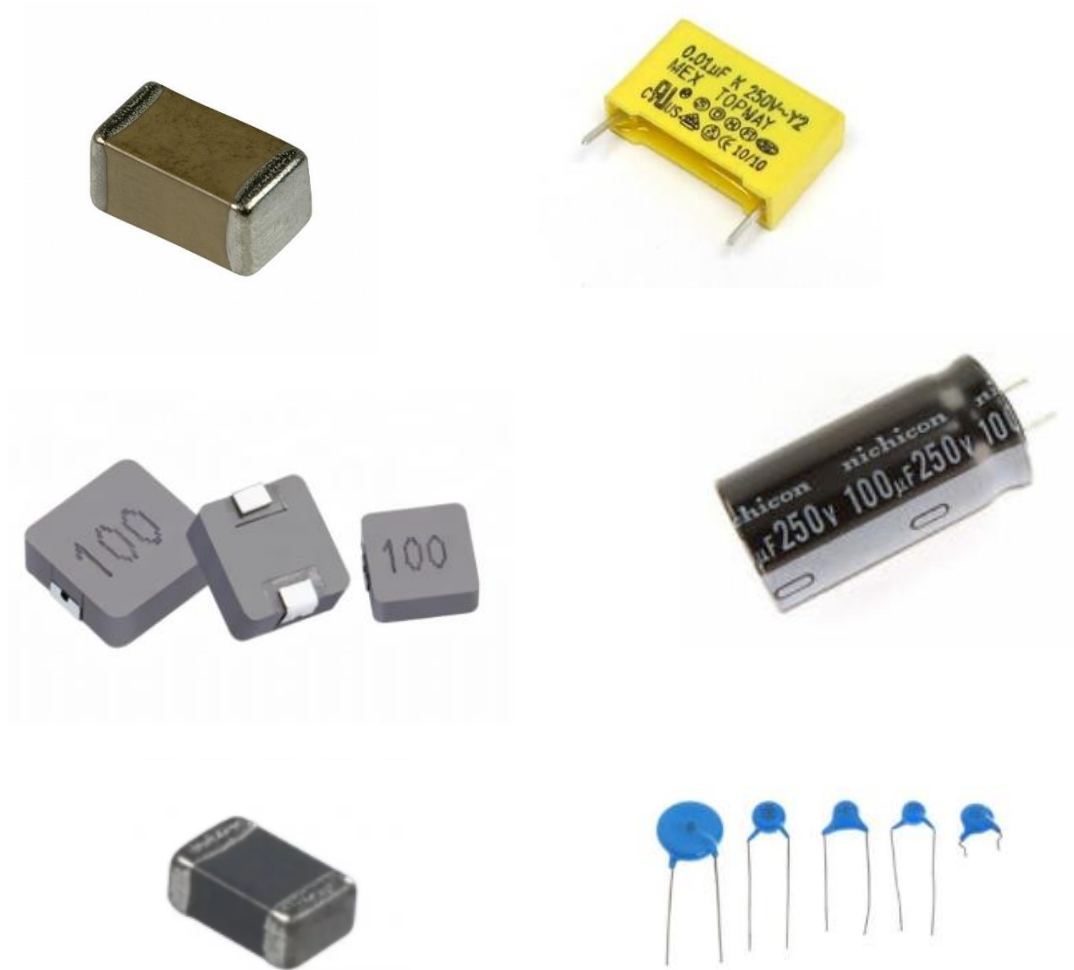


Note: Its CM noise model is also similar to Buck converter.

Refine EMI Model: Parasitic of Passive Components

- Passive Components:
 - Ceramic Capacitor
 - Film Capacitor
 - Electrolytic Capacitor (Bulk Capacitor)
 - Inductors
 - Ferrite Beads

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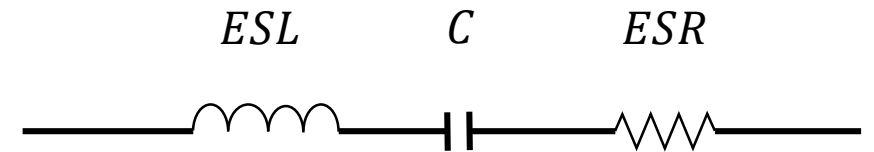
Impedance of a Capacitor

At high frequencies, the capacitors will perform like a resistor or an inductor due to its parasitics.

ESL and ESR are usually used to model the impedance of a capacitor.

Some manufacturers will provide the parameters or SPICE models.

Network Analyzer or Impedance Analyzer can characterize the impedance of EMI components.

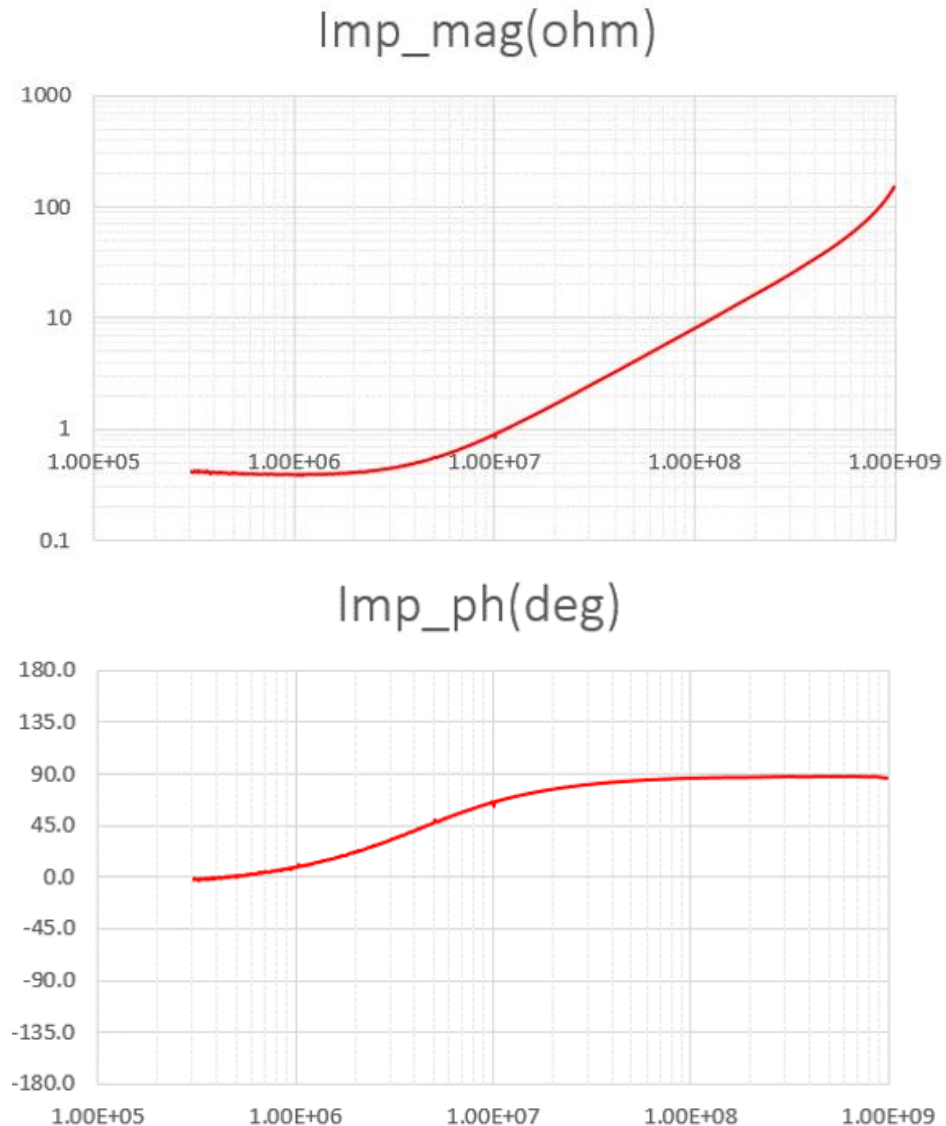


C : Capacitance Value

ESR : Equivalent series resistance

ESL : Equivalent series inductance

Impedance of a Bulk Capacitor (Measured by Network Analyzer)



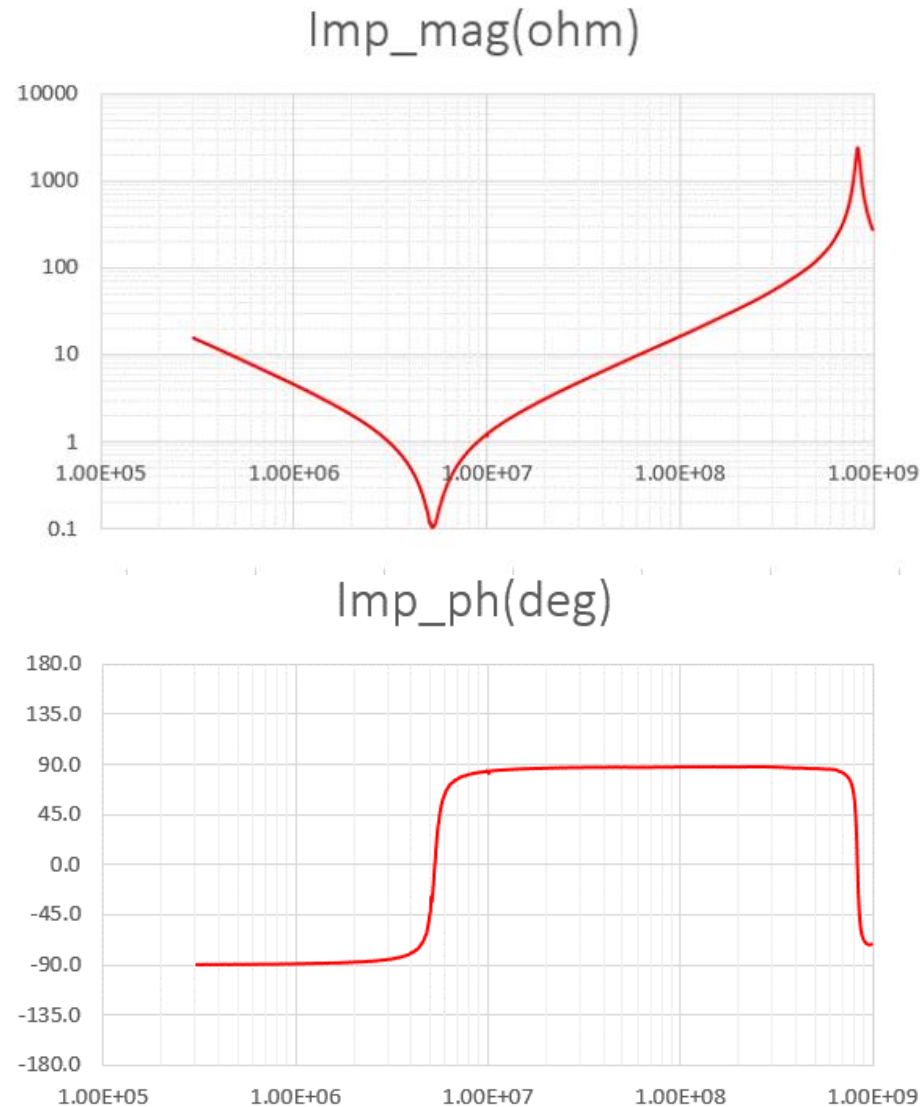
$$ESR \approx 0.4\Omega$$

$$ESL \approx \frac{|Z_{HF}|}{2\pi f} = 14nH$$

It should be noted that for conducted EMI range (around 150kHz to 108MHz), the bulk capacitor can be treated its ESR or ESL instead of its capacitance.

For bulk capacitors, there is no resonance observed in the impedance curve since the ESR is relatively large.

Impedance of a Film Capacitor

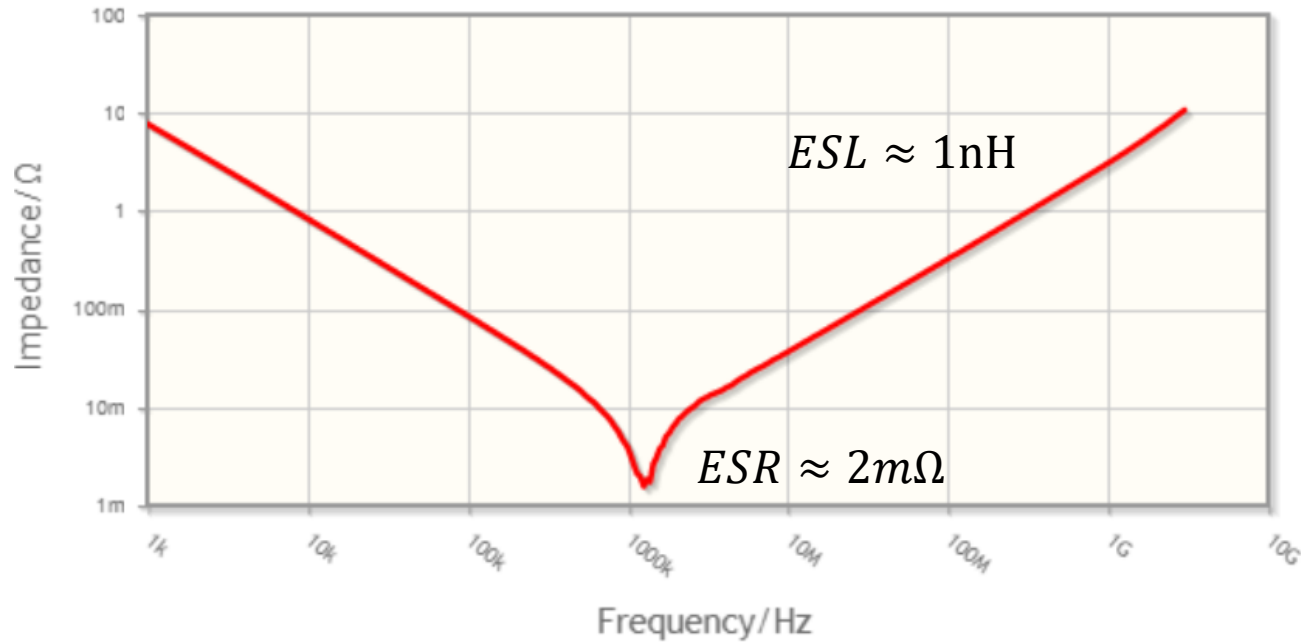


Usually, film capacitor performs as a capacitor up to several MHz.

For film capacitors, there's a high frequency spike due to its small ESR.

Impedance of a Ceramic Capacitor

C2012X5R1E226M125AC, 22 μ F 0805 25V.

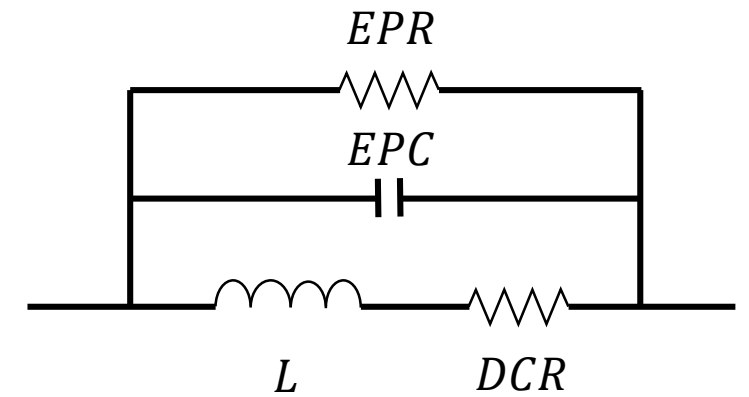


Similarly, ceramic cap performs as a capacitor up to several MHz. And there's a high frequency spike due to its small ESR.

* Data from the part datasheet

Impedance of an Inductor

- The parasitic capacitance EPC represents the electric energy stored in the inductor: it includes the parasitic capacitances between adjacent winding turns and layers, between winding and the magnetic core, and the energy within the magnetic core.
- The series resistor (DCR) represents the winding loss of an inductor; the EPR represents the parasitic resistance (it is dominated by the core loss if there is a magnetic core).



L : Inductance Value

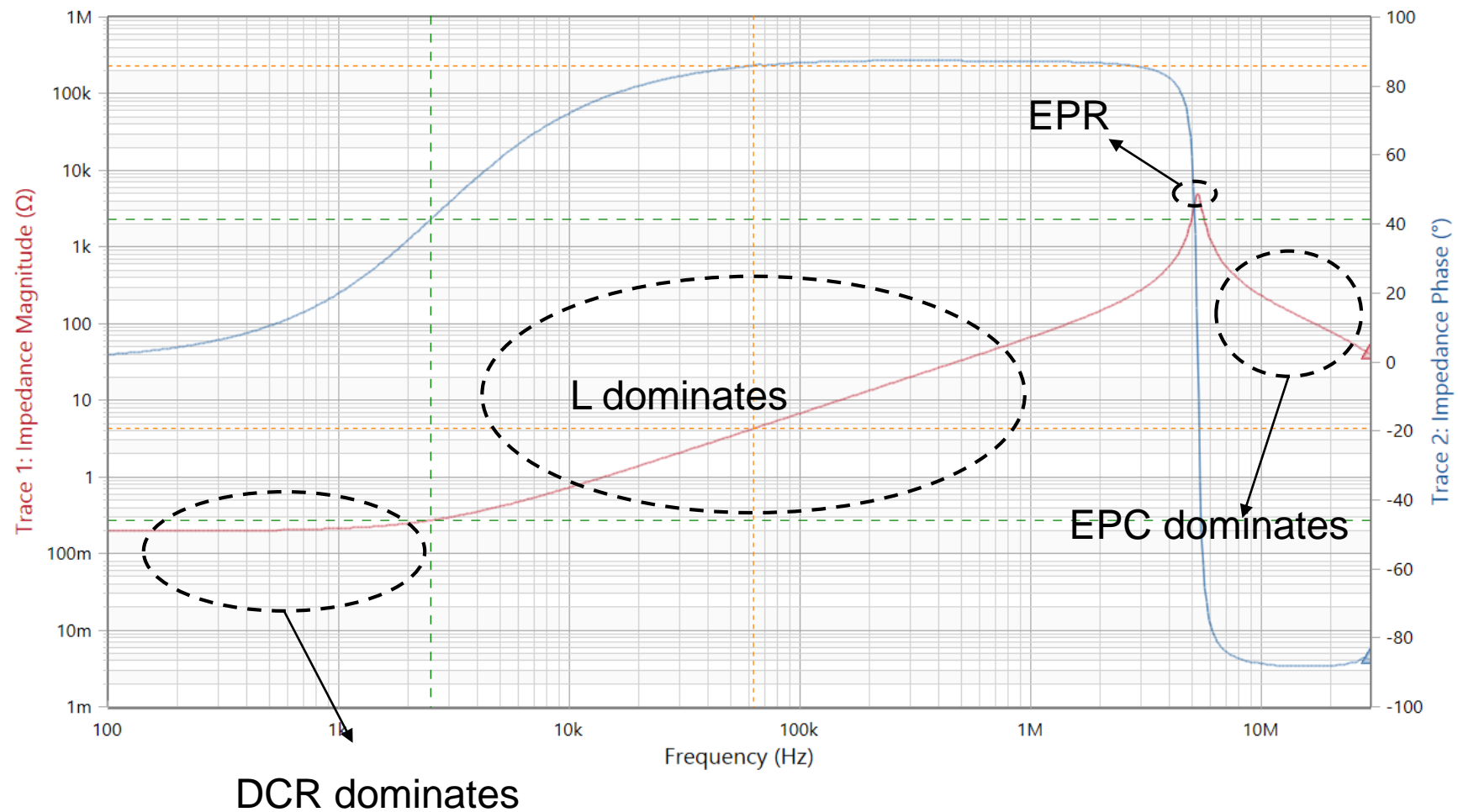
DCR : DC resistance

EPR : Equivalent parallel resistance

EPC : Equivalent parallel capacitance

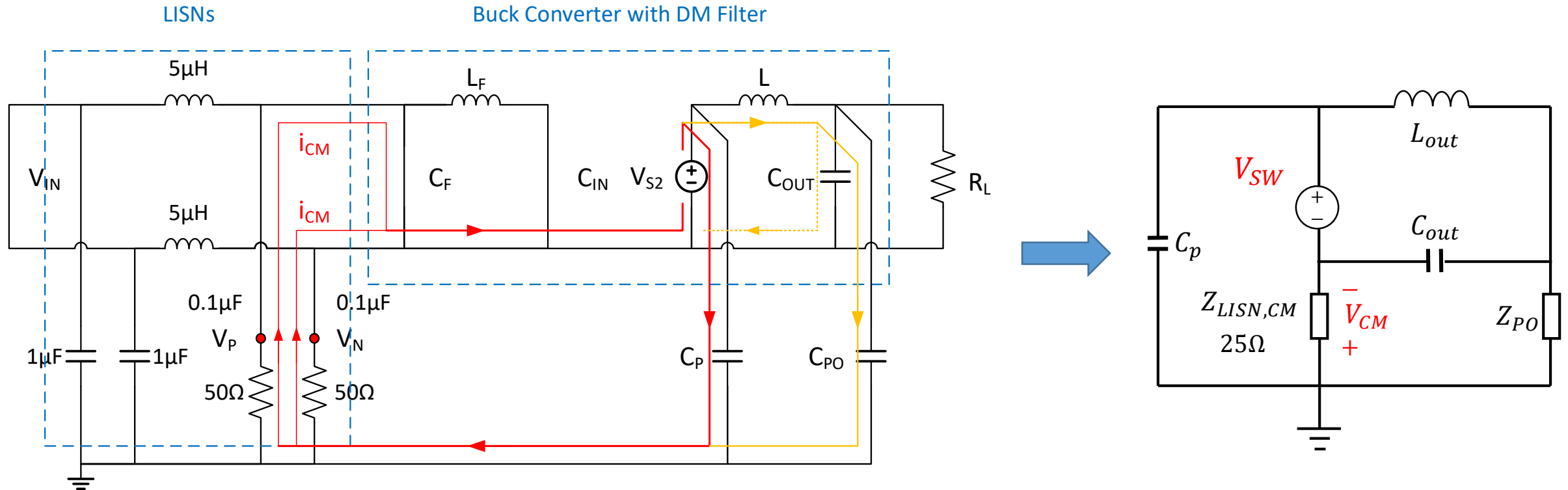
Measurement Result of a Typical Inductor

	Frequency	Trace 1	Trace 2
✓ Cursor 1	2.515 kHz	271.291 mΩ	41.344 °
✓ Cursor 2	63.246 kHz	4.267 Ω	85.972 °
Delta C2-C1	60.731 kHz	3.996 Ω	44.628 °



Refine EMI Model: Output Parasitics

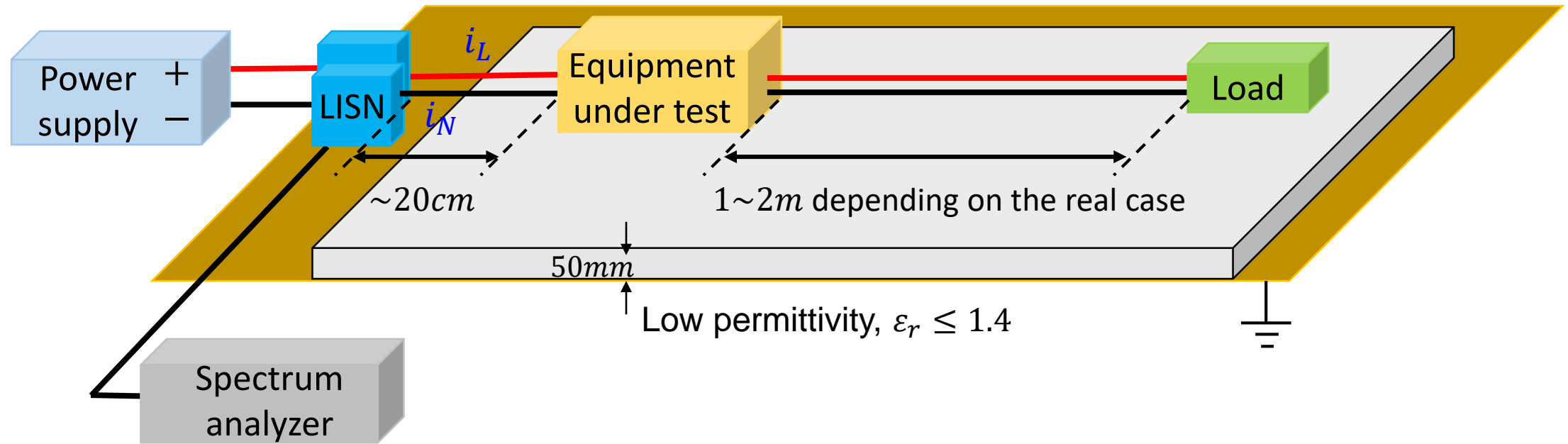
At high frequency, the capacitor impedance may not be ignored.



The impedance from output node to the reference ground needs to be considered.

The Case with Long Output Cable

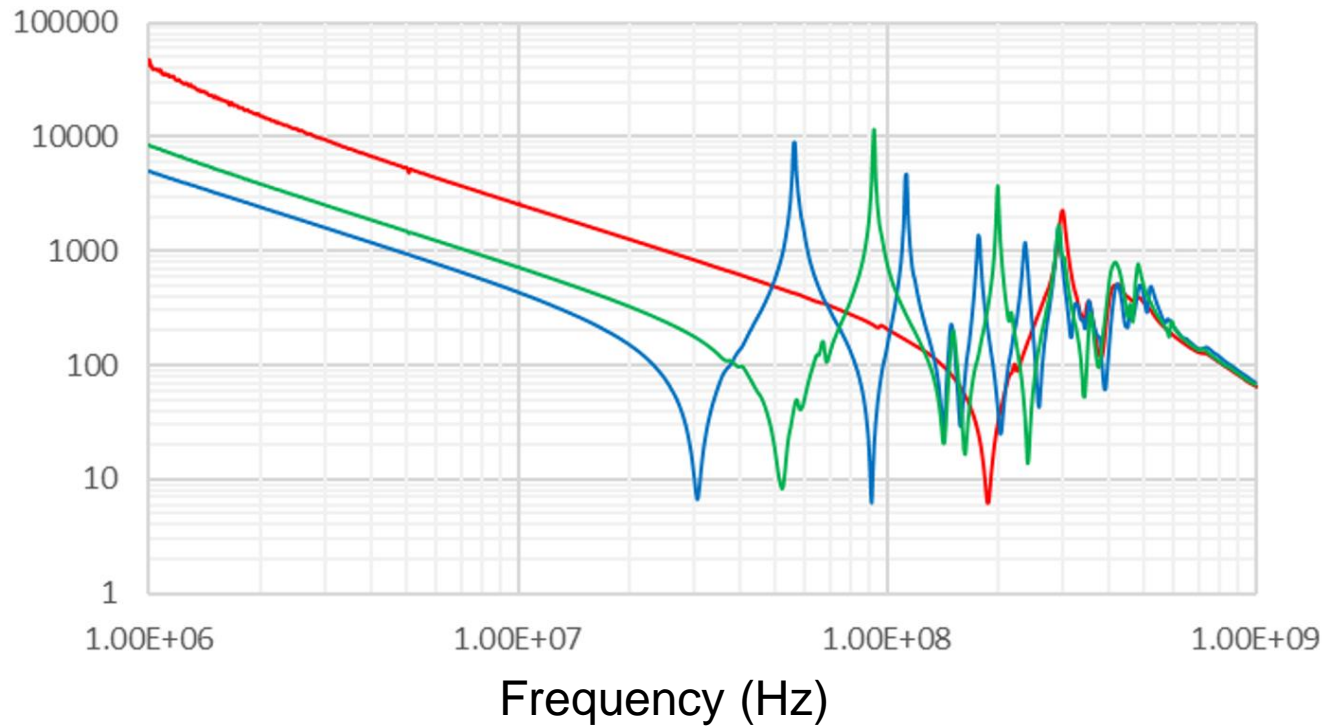
Subject to CISPR25



Note: A long output cable is sometimes applied in the conducted EMI test. The length depends on the real application, or it is subject to OEM's specification.

Parasitic Impedance to Ground with and w/o Output Cable

Impedance (Ω)

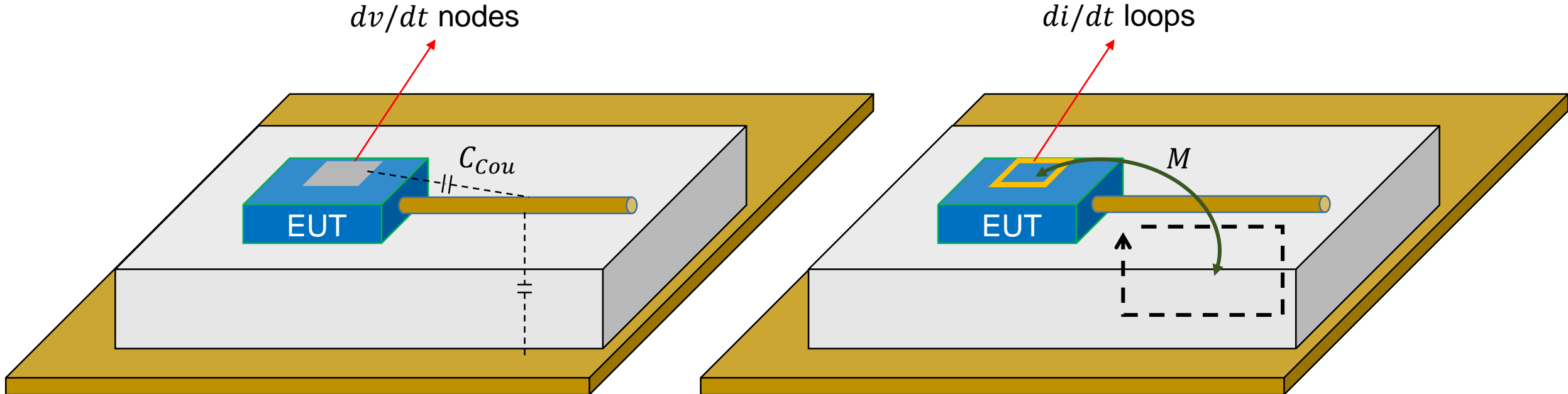


— 2m Cable
— 1.2m Cable
— No Output Cable

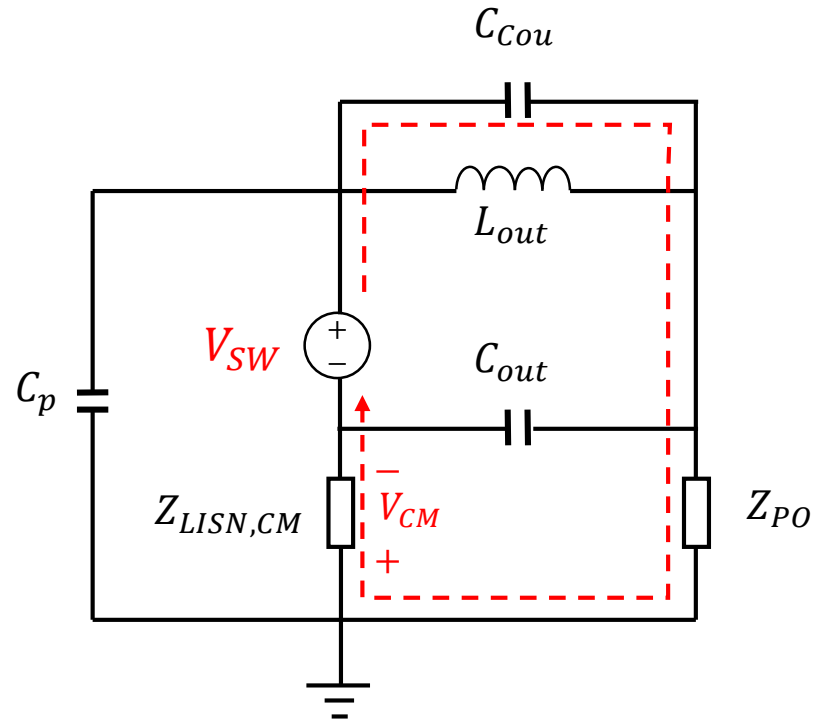
Note: In conducted EMI range (150kHz to 108MHz), with the long output cable, the transmission line effect needs to be considered.

Near Field Couplings with the Long Output Cable

- The capacitive coupling between the dv/dt nodes and the output cable.
- The inductive coupling the di/dt loops and the output cable.



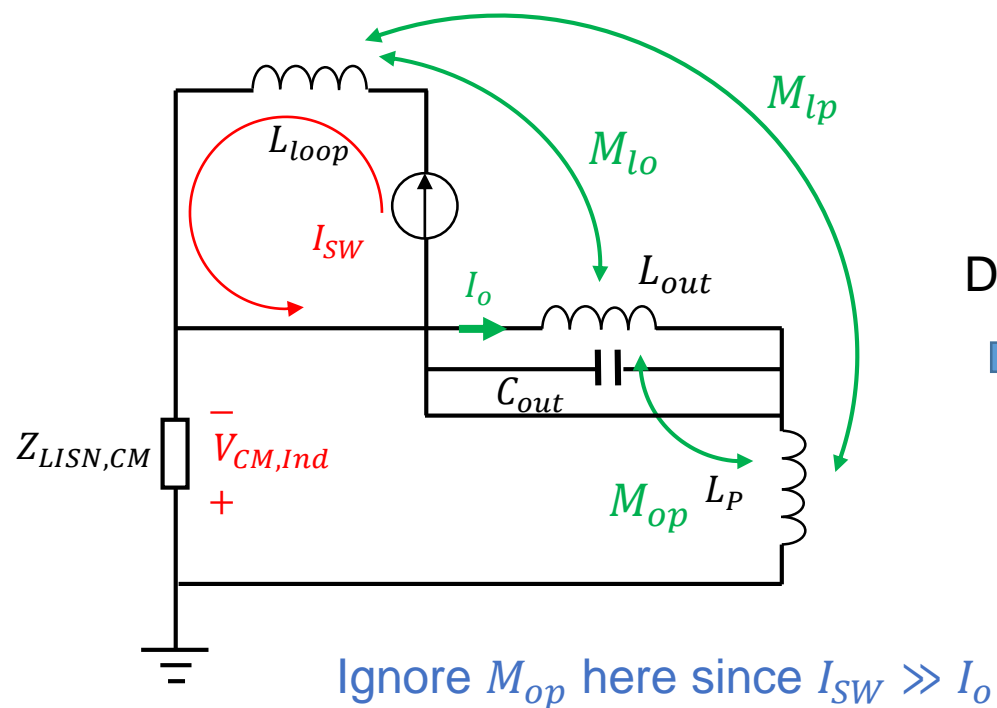
Modeling of the Capacitive Coupling



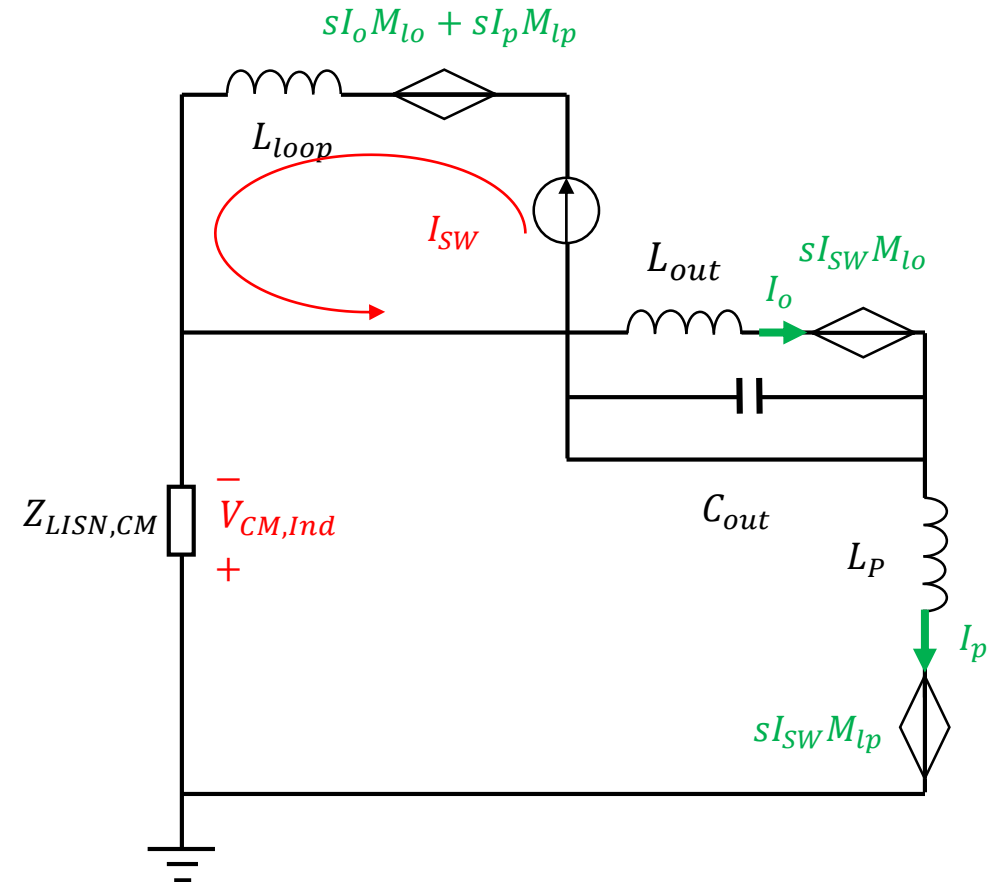
Note: A near field coupling capacitance C_{Cou} is applied in the model. At high frequency, the influence of C_{Cou} will be significant.

Modeling of the Inductive Coupling

Take input loop as an example



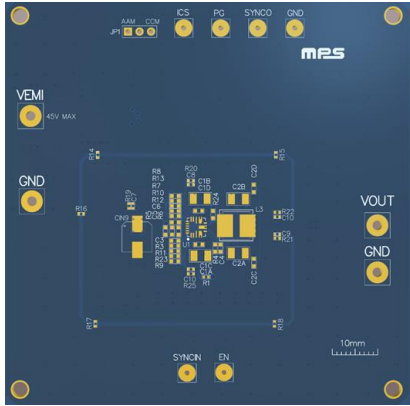
Decouple



The CM noise induced by the near-field inductive coupling is:

$$V_{CM,Ind} \approx \frac{sI_{SW}M_{lp}}{Z_{LISN,CM} + sL_p} Z_{LISN,CM} \approx I_{SW}Z_{LISN,CM} \frac{M_{lp}}{L_p}$$

Virtual Lab Environment - Conducted EMI



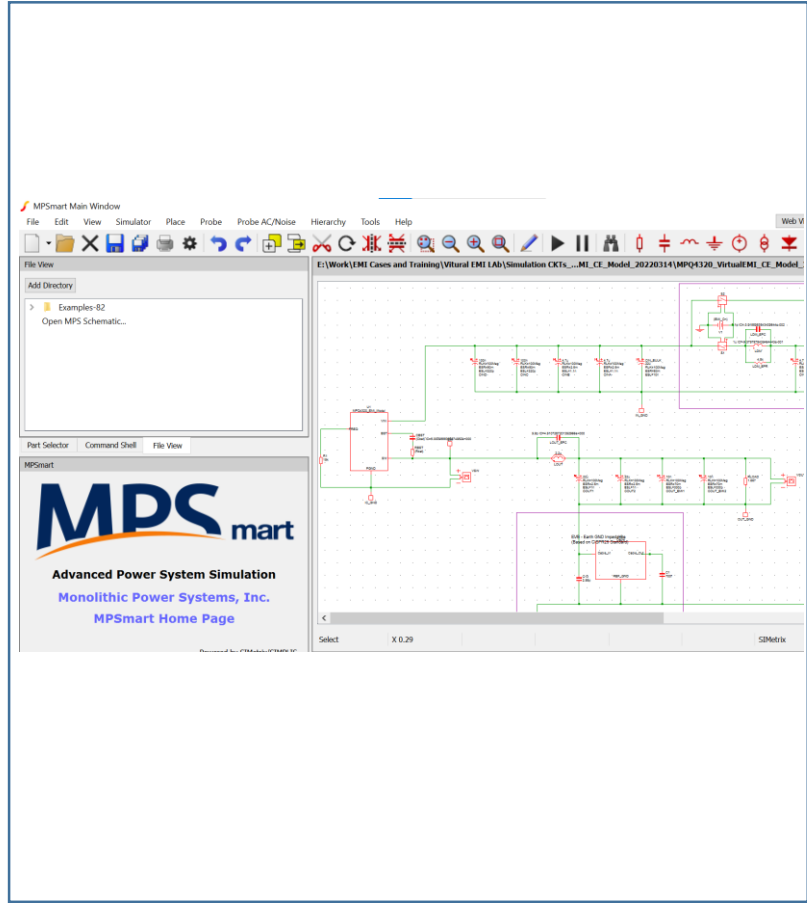
PCB Parasitic
extraction



Component SPICE
Model



LISN Impedance
Extraction



Conducted
EMI Reading



Noise
separator

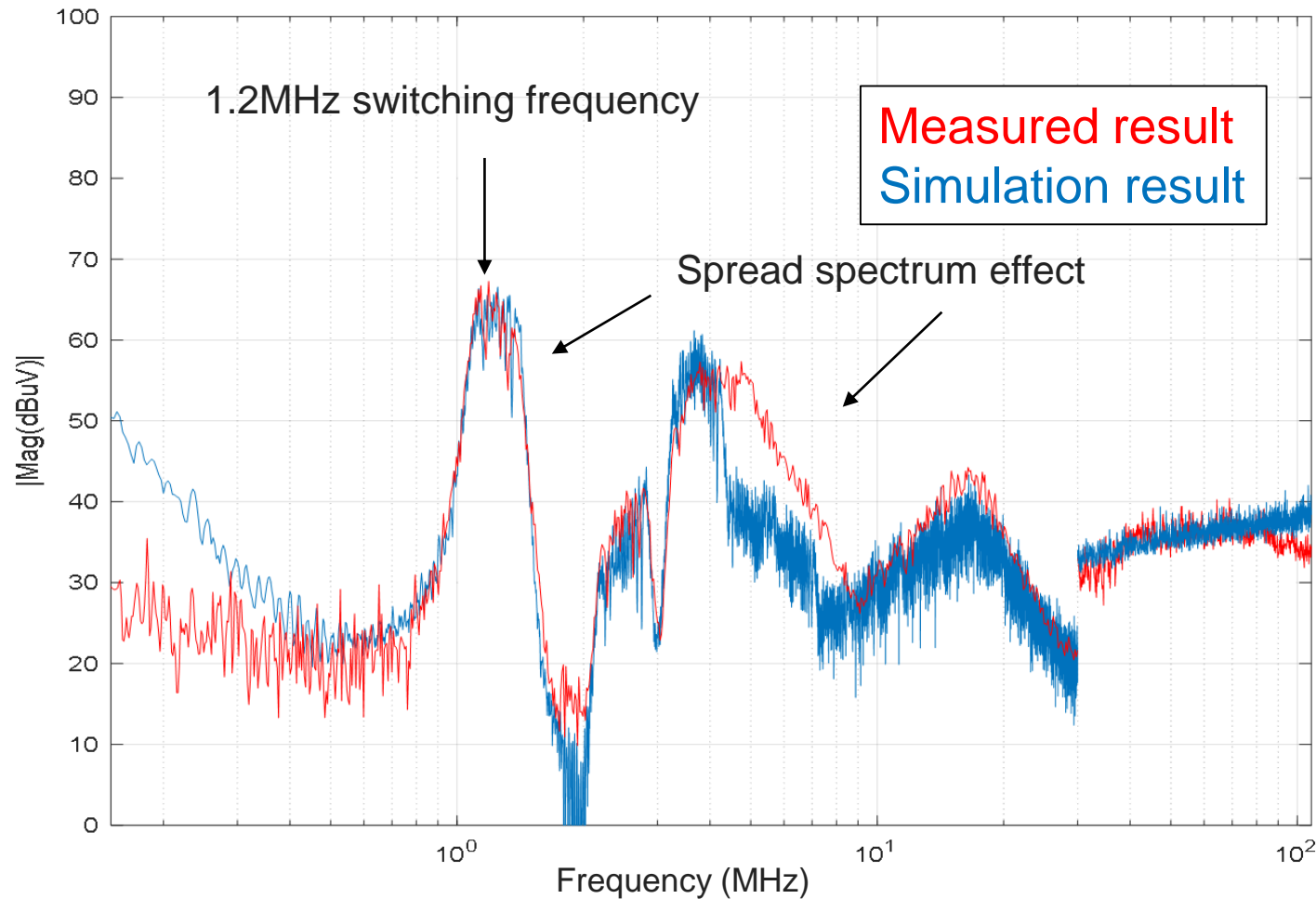


Differential
Mode EMI
Common
Mode EMI

Noise
Transfer
Function



Predict EMI in the Simulation



Note: With the EMI model and simulation software, the EMI can be predicted accurately, which greatly benefits the hardware design.

Radiated EMI Modeling and Analysis

Radiated EMI Modeling of a Buck-Boost Converter for Lighting



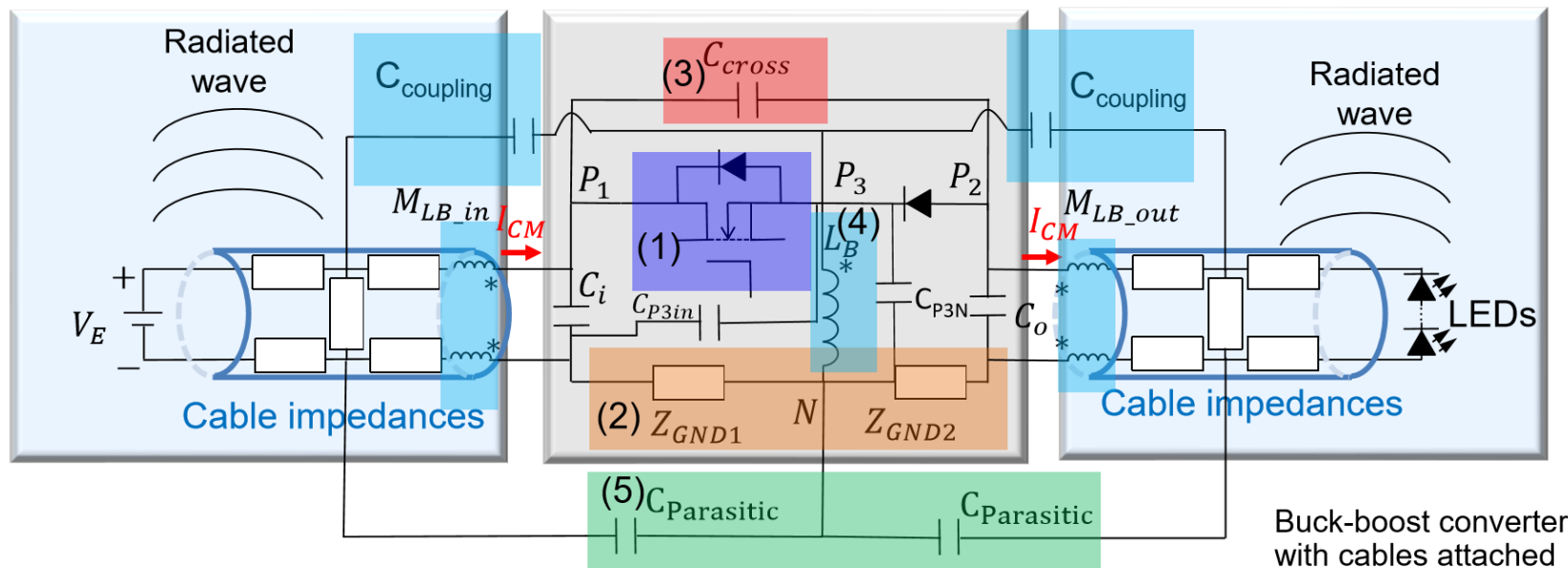
MPQ2483
Industrial/Automotive-Grade
55V, 2.5A Programmable
Frequency LED Driver
Available in AEC-Q100

DESCRIPTION

The MPQ2483 is a 55V, LED driver suitable for either step-down or inverting step-up/down applications. It achieves 2.5A peak current over a wide input supply range with excellent load and line regulation. Current mode operation

FEATURES

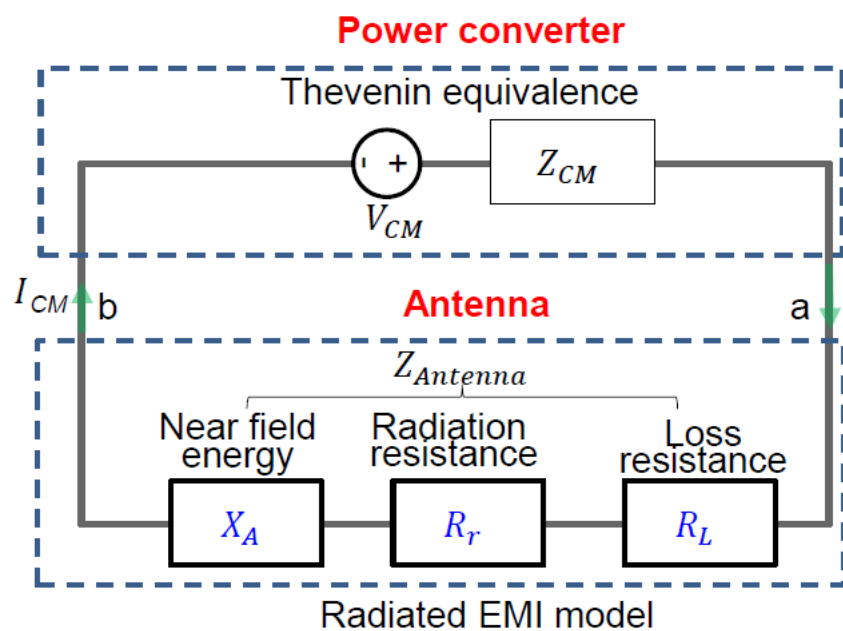
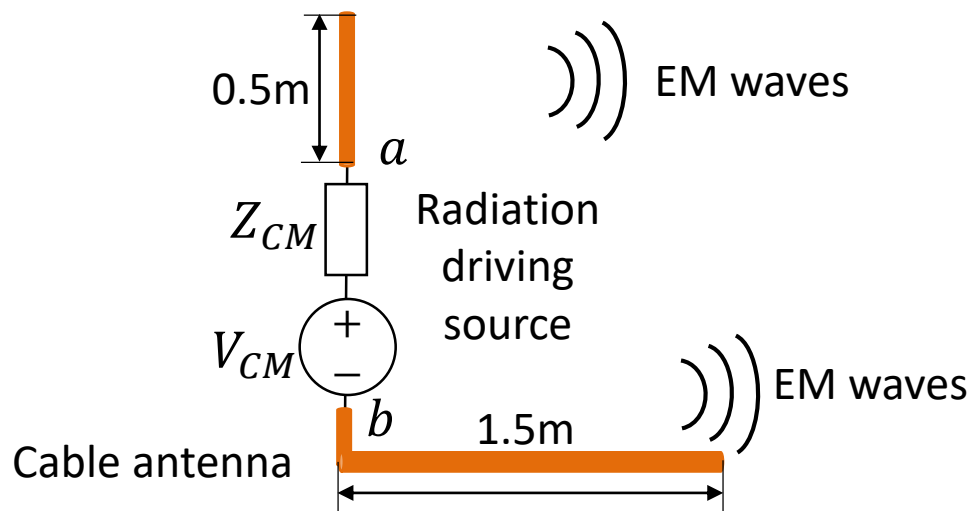
- 2.5A Maximum Peak Current
- Buck or Buck-Boost Modes
- Wide 4.5V to 55V Operating Input Range
- 0.28Ω Internal Power MOSFET Switch
- Analog and PWM Dimming



Buck-boost converter
with cables attached



Radiated EMI Modeling



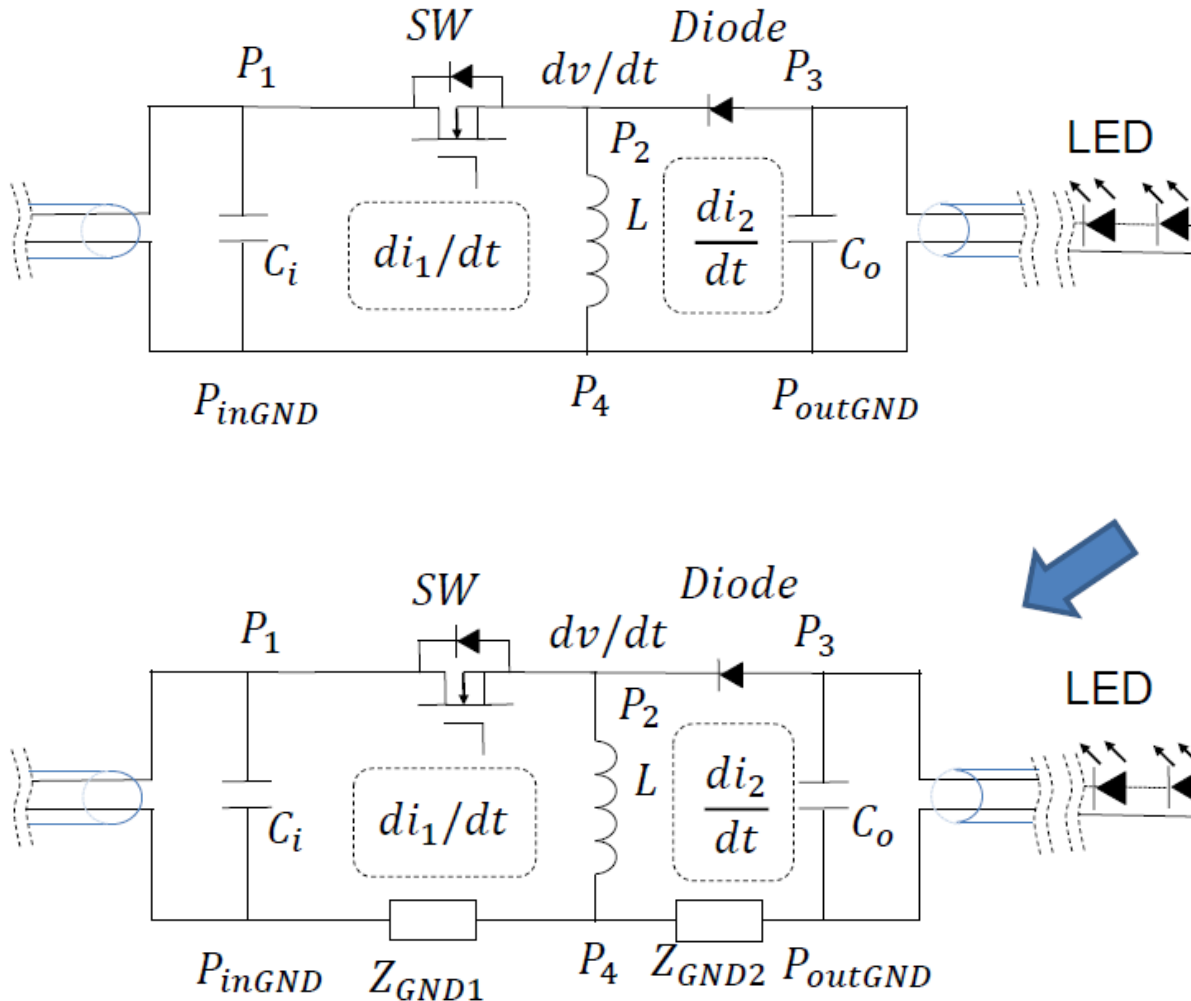
In the far field region, in the isotropic and uniform radiation case, electric field E is,

$$E = \sqrt{P_r \eta / 2\pi r^2}$$

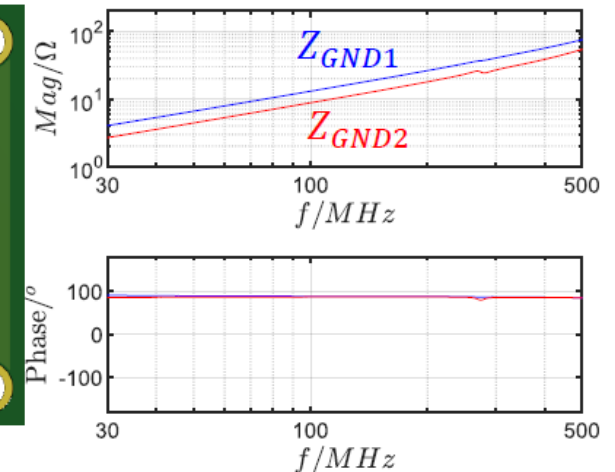
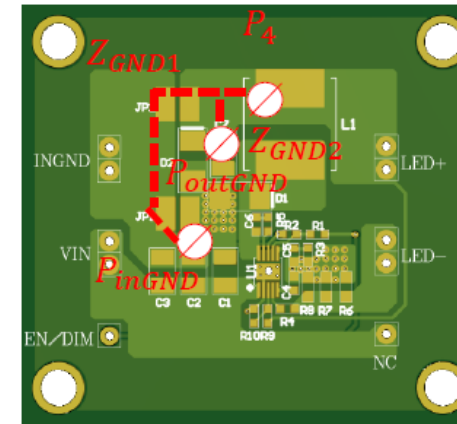
$$\text{where, } P_r = \frac{1}{2} |I_{CM}|^2 R_r = \frac{|V_{CM}|^2}{2} \left[\frac{R_r}{|Z_{CM} + R_L + R_r + jX_A|^2} \right]$$

Buck-boost Converter with Parasitic Impedances

Ideally, the ground layer has zero impedance.



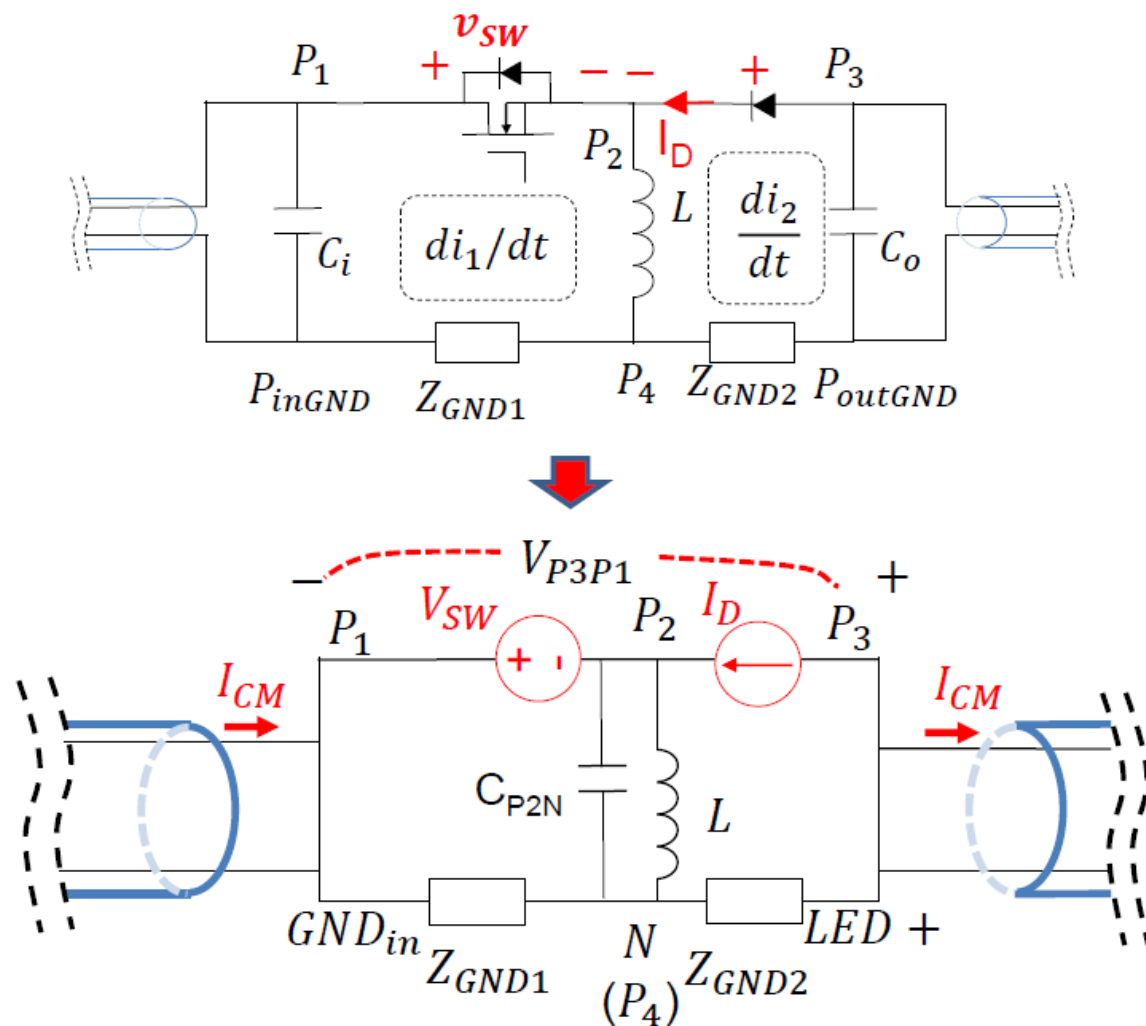
Ground layer impedance is significant at HF



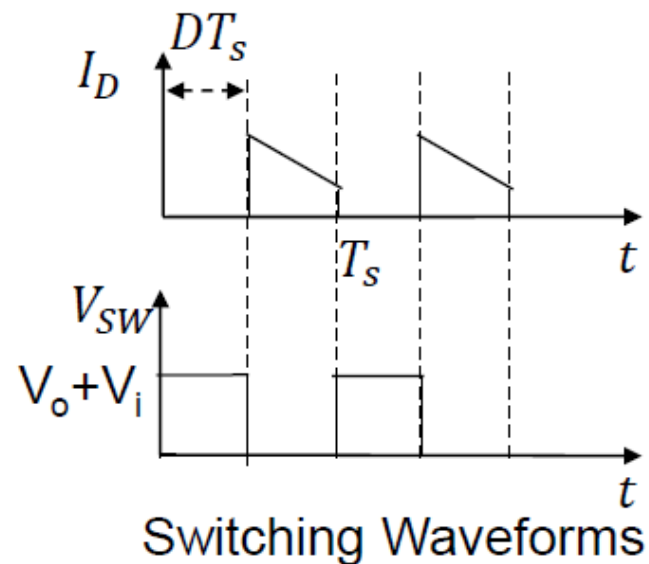
Extracted impedances

In fact, the ground layer has parasitic impedance.

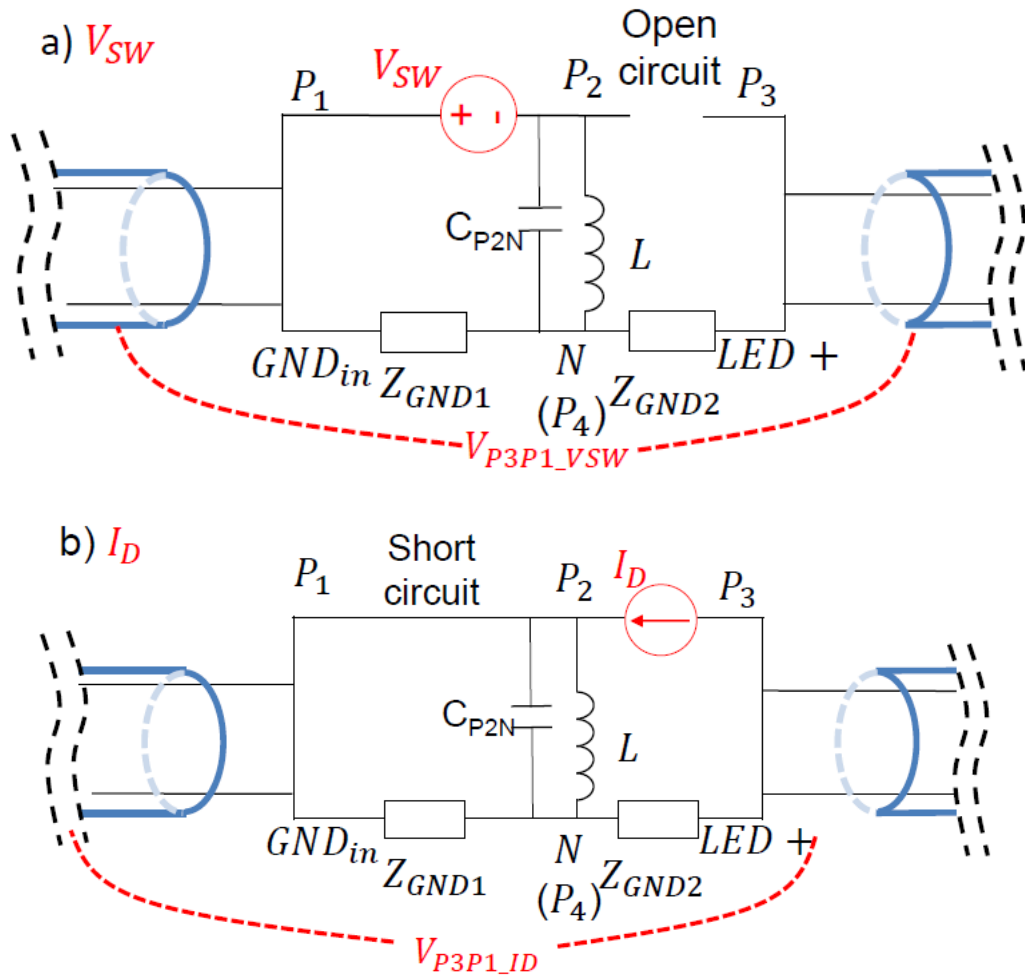
Noise Source Modeling with Substitution Theorem



Switching devices replaced by voltage/current sources



Transfer Gain of Noise Transformation with Superposition Theorem



$$V_{P3P1,V_{SW}} = -V_{SW} \cdot \frac{Z_{GND1}}{Z_{GND1} + Z_L}$$

$$G_{V_{SW}}(s) = \frac{V_{P3P1,V_{SW}}}{V_{SW}} = -\frac{Z_{GND1}}{Z_{GND1} + Z_L}$$



$$V_{P3P1} = V_{SW} \cdot G_{V_{SW}}(s) + I_D \cdot G_{I_D}(s)$$



$$V_{P3P1,I_D} = -I_D \cdot [(Z_{GND1} || Z_L) + Z_{GND2}]$$

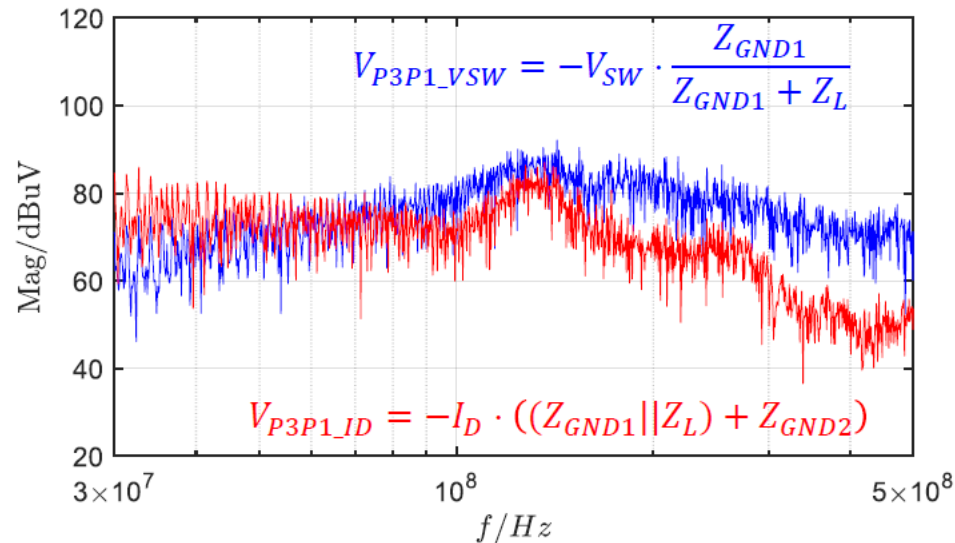
$$G_{I_D}(s) = \frac{V_{P3P1,I_D}}{I_D} = -[(Z_{GND1} || Z_L) + Z_{GND2}]$$

The terminal CM voltage V_{P3P1} can be obtained.

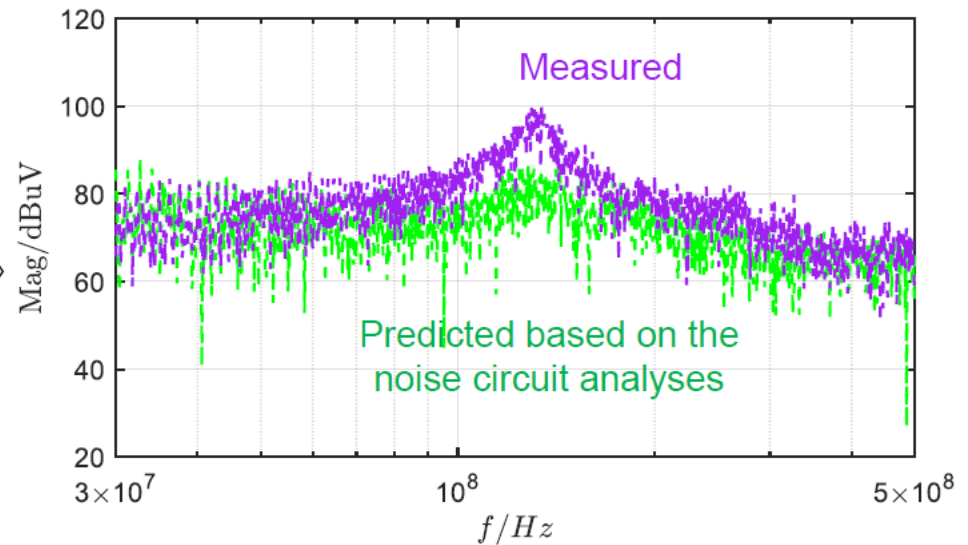
Validation of Noise Circuit

V_{SW} and I_D can be measured and the spectrum can be achieved.
Parasitic impedances can also be measured.

Based on the calculated noise transfer gains, the V_{P3P1} can be predicted.



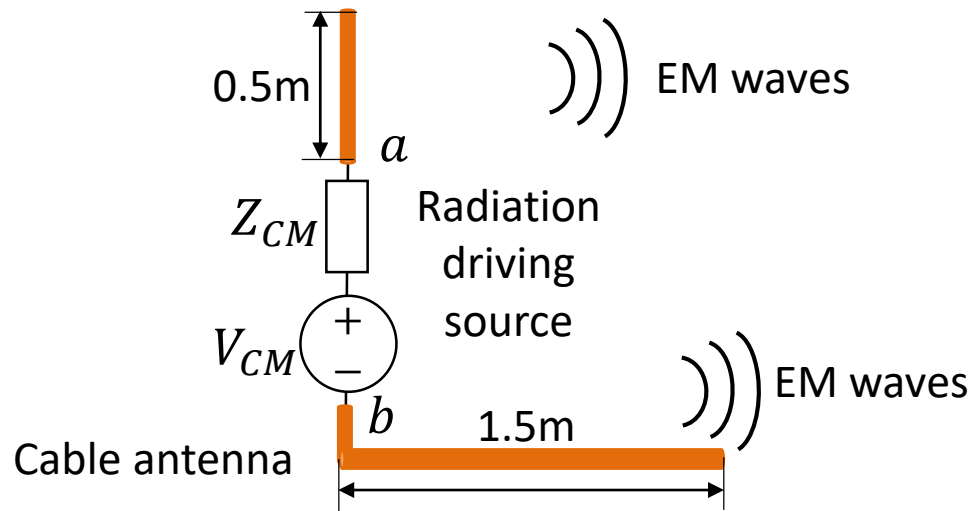
Total contribution from two noise sources to the CM terminal voltage



Measured and predicted CM terminal voltage V_{P3P1}

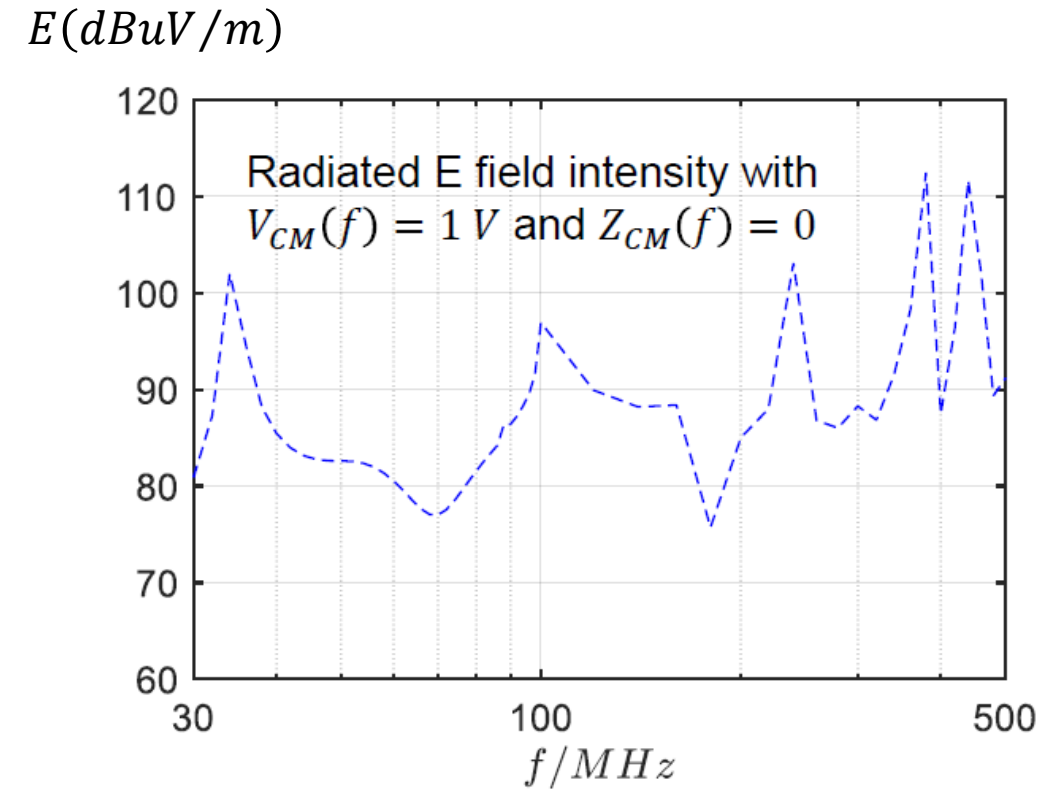
The V_{P3P1} can also be directly measured and compared with the predicted value.

Cable antenna's transfer gain

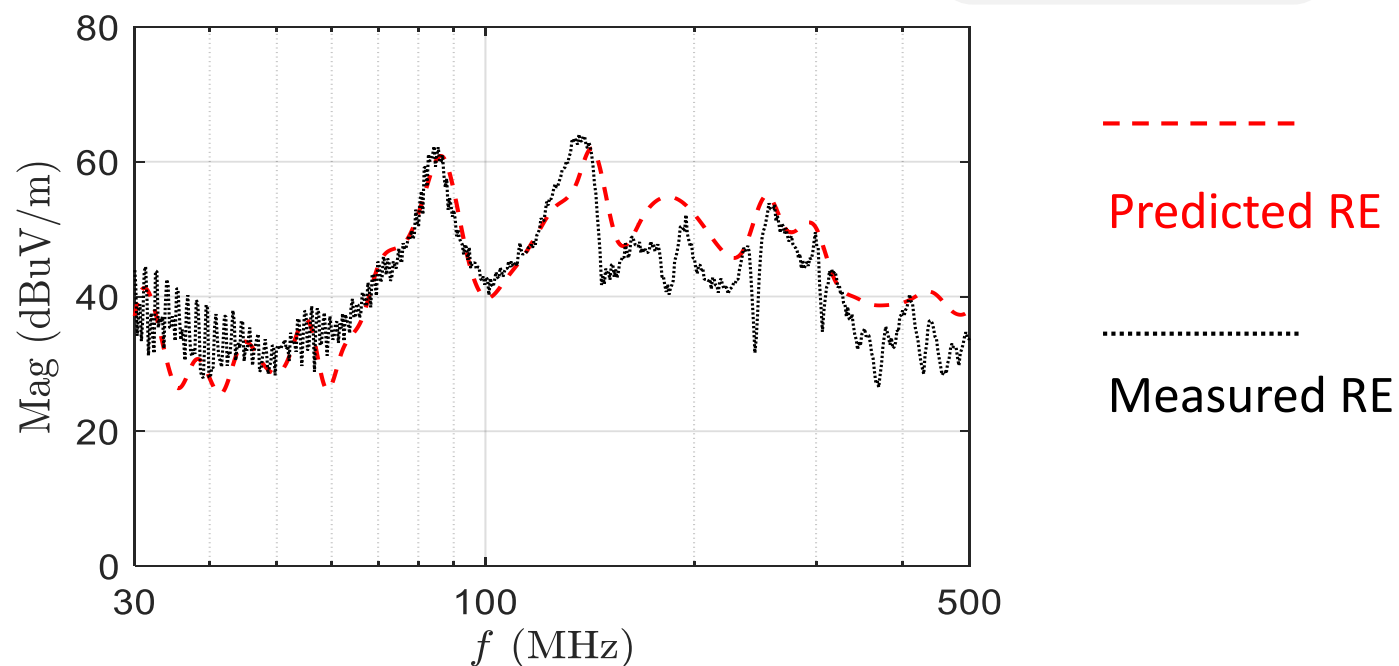
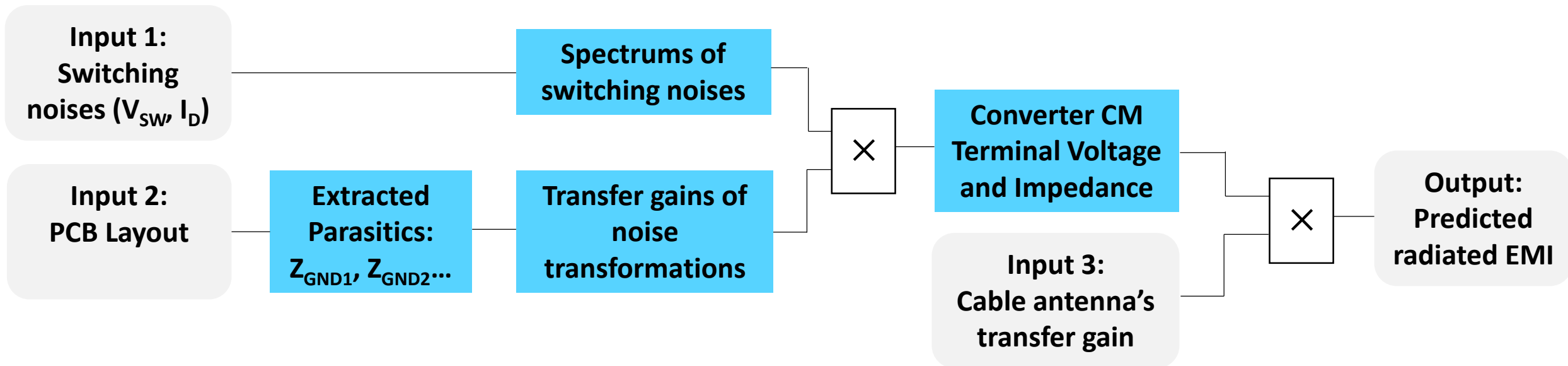


By exciting a unit voltage as the CM terminal voltage for the radiation excitation ($V_{CM} = 1V, Z_{CM} = 0$), the antenna's transfer gain can be measured.

The radiated EMI generated by the power cables can further bumps due to the characteristics of the cable antenna.



Radiated EMI Modeling Top Level



Conclusion

MPS has strong capability to diagnose and solve EMI issues.

Conducted CM and DM EMI models are introduced. EMI can be reduced based on source and path.

The CM and DM models for various non-isolated DC/DC converters are introduced.

Component Parasitics and Near-Field Coupling Effect are included to refine the EMI model.

With circuit and LISN model, simulation helps to predict the conducted EMI performance.

Radiated EMI model and Antenna model are introduced.

GND impedance is important for radiated EMI modeling and analysis.

With circuit and antenna model, simulation helps to predict the radiated EMI performance.

Thank you!