

Electromagnetic Noise and Grounding for TTF2

General Electrical Engineering

- Motivation for EMC
- Electronic Design: Avoid sources
- Coupling of the Noise
- Signal Receivers: Reduce Sensitivity
- Guidelines for the Practice
- Case Study
- Available Components
- Concluding Remarks

Used Literature:

EMV-Messe 2001, Augsburg, Anton Kohling (Siemens)
Seminar EMV-Praxis 2000, Prof. Chr. Dirks

Motivation for EMC:

Why follow EMC regulations?

- **E**lectro **M**agnetic **C**ompatibilty is regulated by EU:

Legal character

But DESY as self-user of developments needs not to certify

- **S**ystem-**I**ntegrity **I**mportant for successful operation!
Function of large systems only, if: Do not disturb each another
Insensitive to external noise
might be even more stringent as legal !

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- Same technique: Therefore today in one short: **EMC/SI**

For SI: Norm = Standard for all developments, tests,...

Important for use of commercial products.

Fulfilling the regulation is important, certifying not required

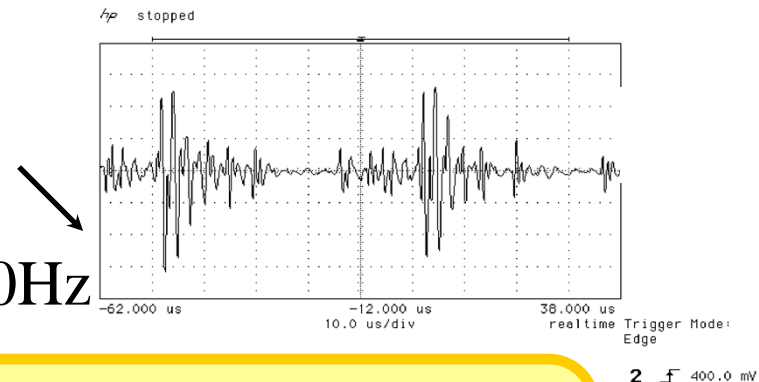
Motivation for EMC: Costs and Success

Siemens:

System	Estimated costs in %		mended instruments in %		Remaining malfunctions in %	
	afterwards	planned	afterwards	planned	afterwards	planned
Technical simple	2...5	1...2	<50	<3	2...10	<1
Technical very complex	5...>10	1...4	10...>50	<5	5...>10	<2

Problems observed at DESY:

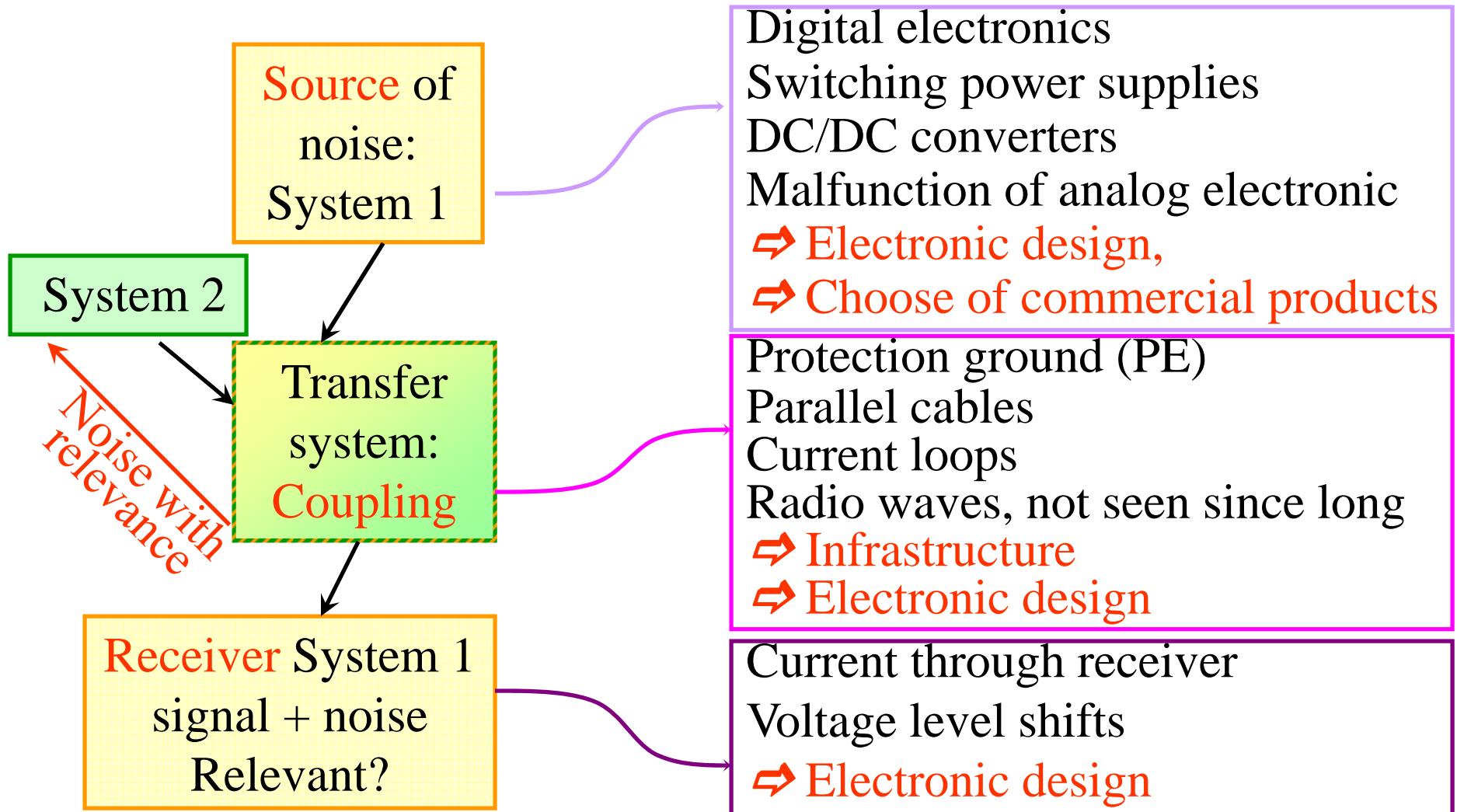
- Typical: Voltages GND-GND
- Repetition frequencies:
3kHz, 20kHz, 100kHz
- Power: 50Hz, 100Hz, 150Hz, 300Hz



DESY: Small Signals \Leftrightarrow High Currents

Not everywhere the EMC-optimum possible
e.g. current return for beam charge

Motivation for EMC: Issues to watch



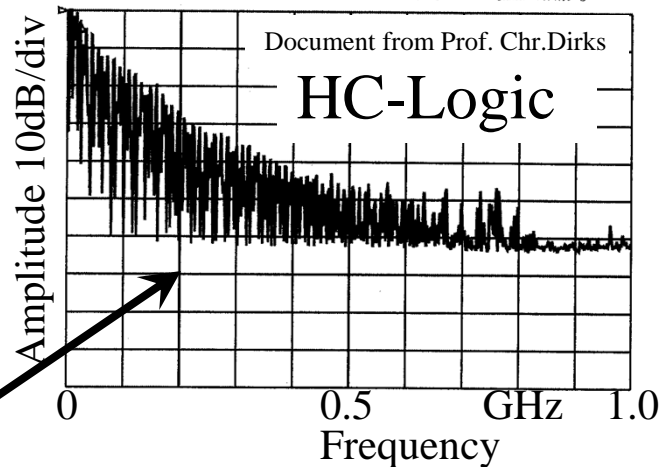
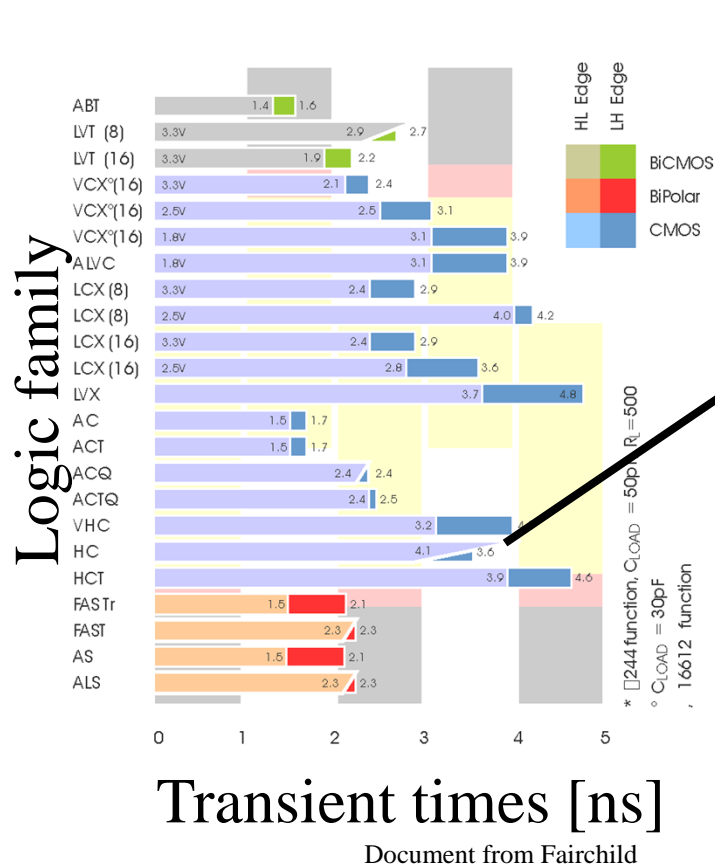
No system is perfect: Neither:
Source, Coupling, Receivers
⇒ Do your best/adequate at each

Normally: Technique for
low emission ⇔ low sensitivity

Electronic design: Avoid Sources by Limiting Frequency

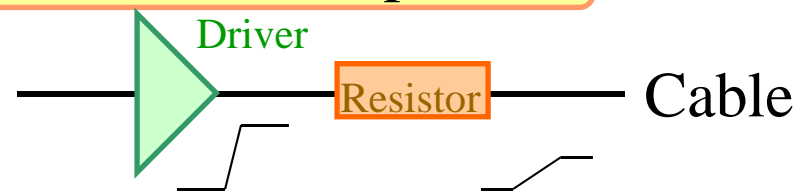
Fast transients: Pickup by others = noise for others
Faster not better: Use only, what is needed

Sources are : - Logic family, programmable rise/fall time,
- Switching power, DC/DC-converters



Frequency
to look at:
 ϕ (100MHz)

Limit the rise time + amplitude:

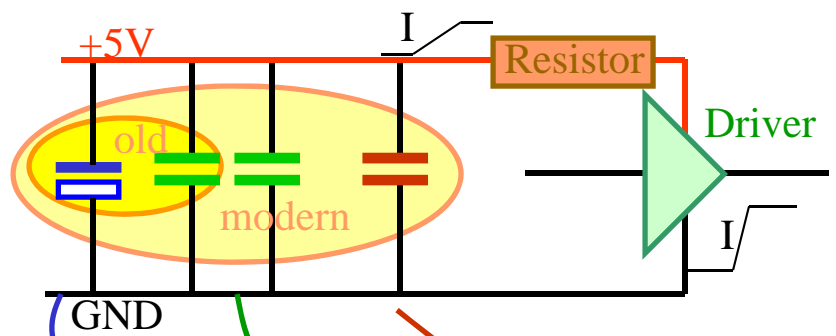


Electronic design: Avoid Sources

by Stabilizing Supply Voltage

Important because: - Power couples a lot of components,
- Large area antennas

⇒ keep fluctuation local and small



High frequencies:

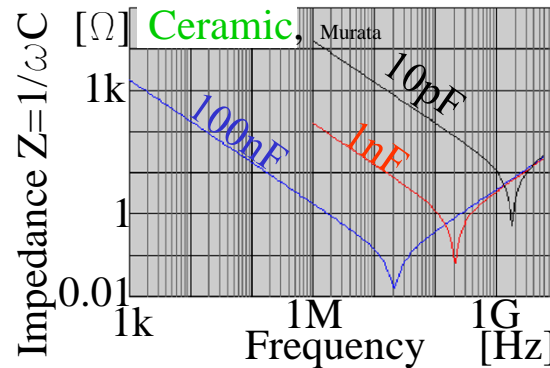
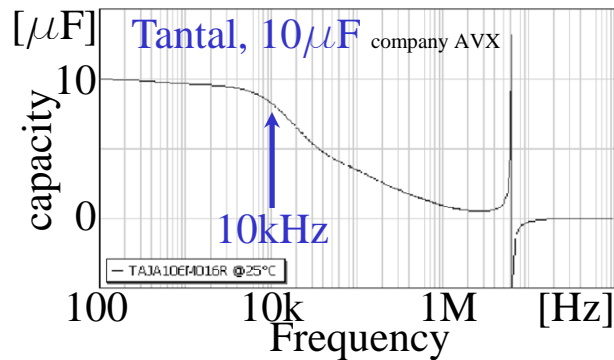
Capacitor inside multilayer board:

$$\gamma = C/A = \epsilon_0 \epsilon_r / d = 70 \text{ pF/cm}^2$$

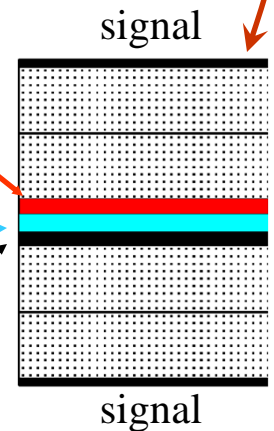
$$C/\text{time}^2 = \gamma \cdot \pi (r/\text{time})^2$$

$$= \gamma \cdot \pi \cdot c^2 / \epsilon_r = 0.5 \text{ nF}/(0.1 \text{ ns})^2$$

Combination of ceramics C's



Plane for +5V
Isolation $\epsilon_r=4$,
 $d=50 \mu\text{m}$
Plane for GND



Coupling: Principles

Radio waves:

Propagation over long distance without material

Personal experience: No negative since long time.

never worked close to RF-Instrumentation

Mostly because of technical understanding since long time

Ground-System:

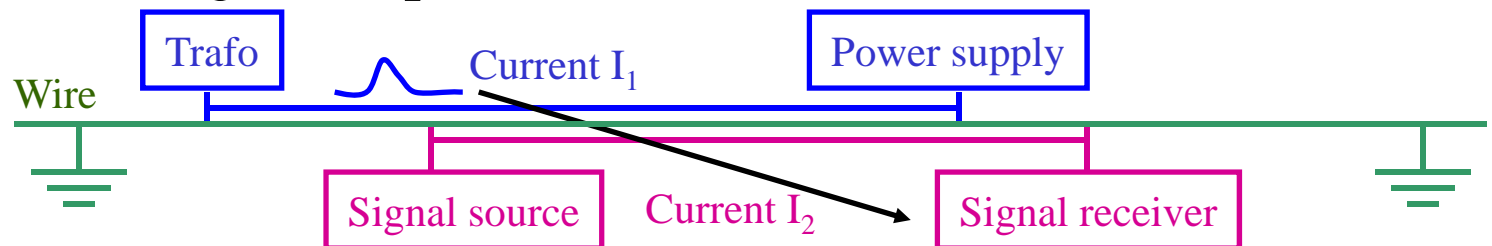
Problem: together

Protection Earth (PE)

Reference potential V

Current compensator I

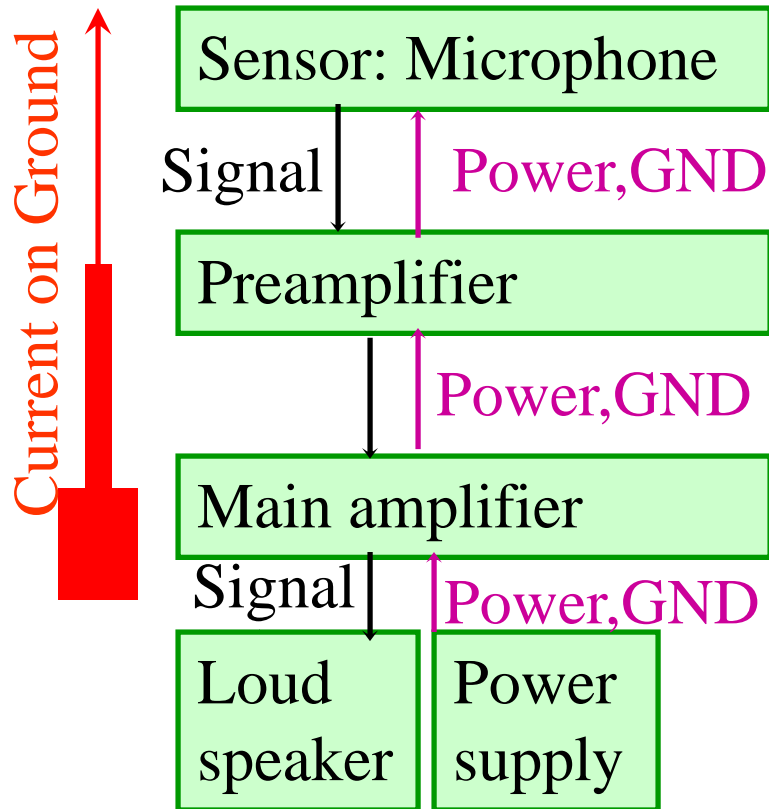
Example: Common ground pass for two users



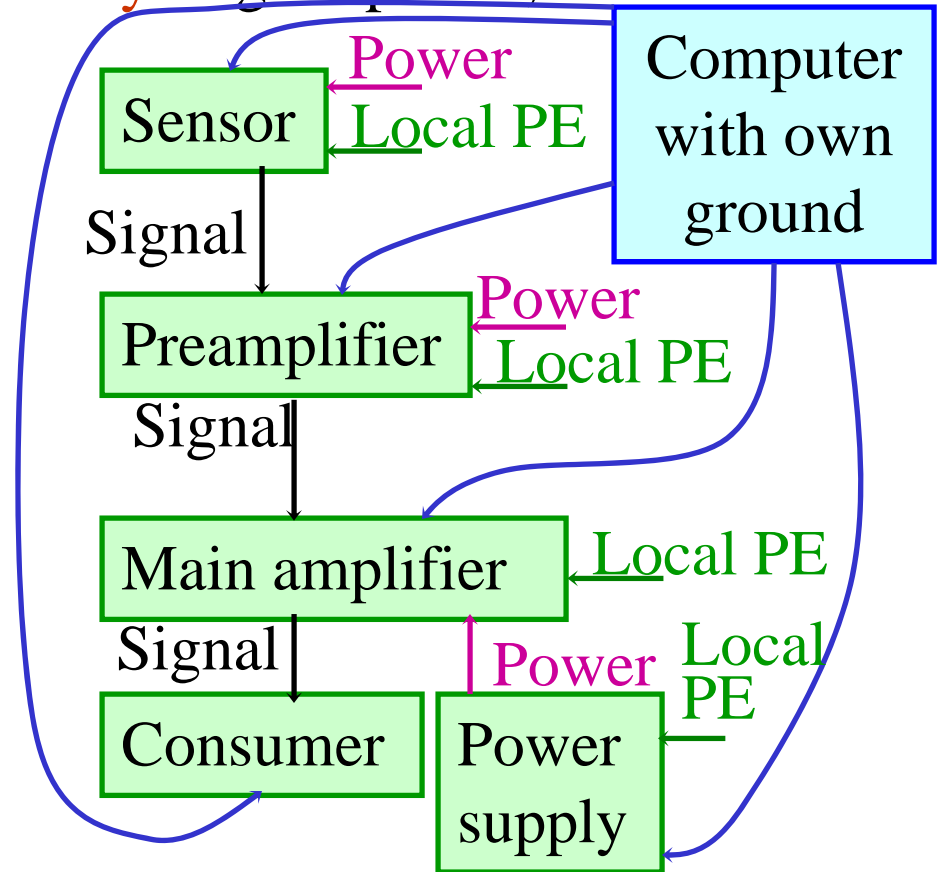
Coupling: Principles, Current on ground

Old solution:

Follow with ground from stage to stage



Today: higher power, lots of Grounds

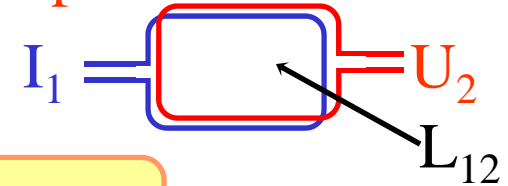


Concept: Unavoidable GND-network
- Minimal current on ground
- Control of return outside ground

Coupling: Magnetic Principle

Each loops of current couples to other loop

$$U_2 = -L_{12} \dot{I}_1 \xrightarrow{\text{ideal}} -\mu_0 \cdot A_{\text{Area}} / \ell_{\text{Circumference}} \cdot \dot{I}_1$$



- ⇒ Keep return current close to signal
- ⇒ Keep currents away from uncontrollable PE-ground

Electronic board

No signals across gaps in plane !

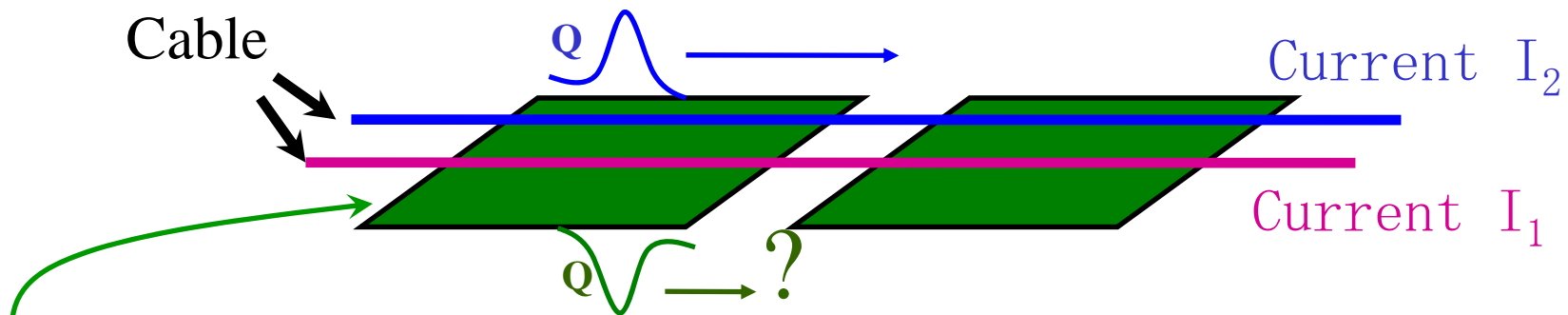
Crate

Careful, if both ends of coax connected !

System installation

If complete return to floor:
 $A = 1\text{m} \cdot 2\text{m}$ $\ell = 2(1\text{m} + 2\text{m})$
 $I_1 = 3\text{V} / 50\Omega \cdot \sin(2\pi \cdot 1\text{MHz} \cdot t)$ -TTL
 ⇒ parallel cable with no current:
 $U_2 = 0.48\text{V} \cdot \cos \dots$

Coupling: Capacitive Principle, Interruption of Currents



- Cable with non-compensated (not completely) voltage-signal
 $C/\text{length} = \epsilon_0 \pi / \ln(\text{distance}/\text{radius}) = 12\text{pF/m}$
distance=5mm, radius=0.5mm
- Routed on metal support \rightarrow Mirrored current on support
- At interruption of support: What can happen?

Large way around; Use other cable (=noise, crosstalk)

- \Rightarrow Voltage-compensation on small distance: $U_2 = -U_1(\text{AC}), I_2 = -I_1$
- \Rightarrow Interconnections at small distances (grid) in the ground
- \Rightarrow Small distances of signal cables to metal support

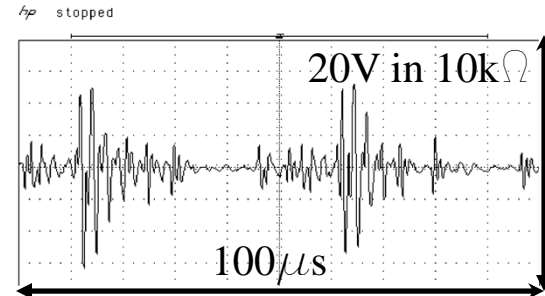
Coupling: Bothering Frequencies

- Possible for all

- DC $\nu = 0$ Hz

large distances, inside conductors
(only) offsets

can be kept small with cross sections of conductors



- middle range frequencies $\mathcal{O}(1\text{MHz})$

propagate into system; conductors and free room

typical effects in circuits and in large electrical environment

- high frequencies $\mathcal{O}(1\text{GHz})$

return current wants to be close to signal \Rightarrow low emission

small wave length \Rightarrow Small pickup by large systems

\Rightarrow reduction of the problem

Don't forget: Transmission by civilization (Handy, Radio)

large power at TTF and effects at input diode of circuit

Signal Receivers: Reduce Sensitivity

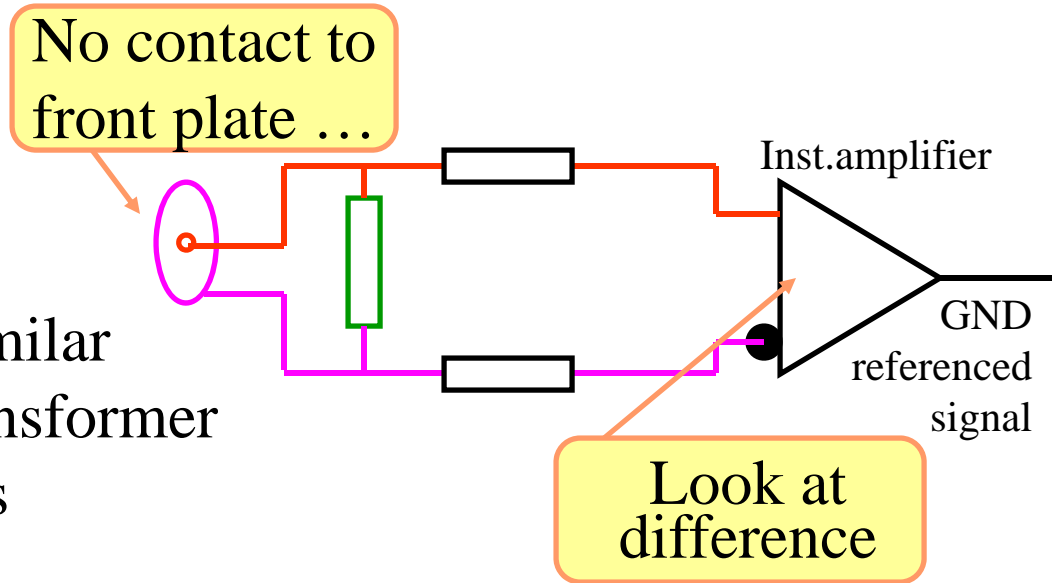
What are the problems:

- Current balancing
- Breaking ground loops
- Ground level shifts

Example for coax-cable:

Twisted pair, DuplexCoax similar

- For RF without DC also transformer
- Common Mode coils, ferrits



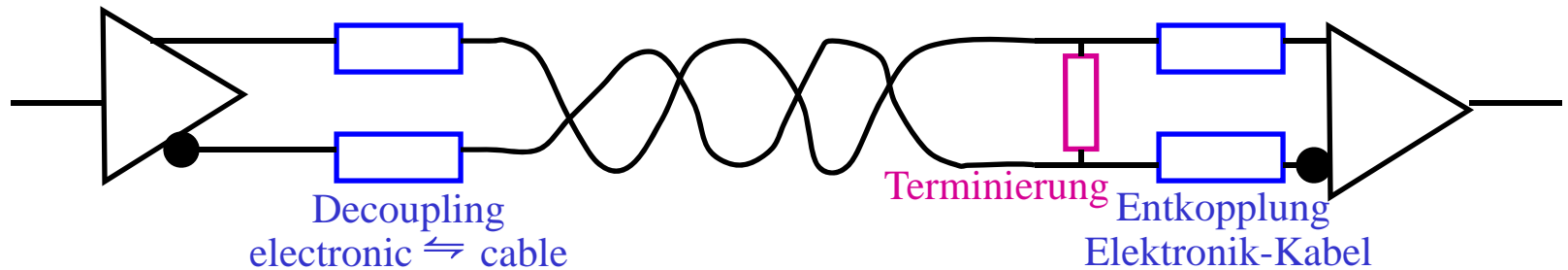
Gained by differential input:

- Receivers has high input impedance: Very limited pickup
- Large reduction of sensitivity to common mode voltage ($<2V$)

Price:

- Opening in housing : Reduced ESD, RF has small entrance ring
- Instrumentation amplifier instead of standard Op-amplifier

Guidelines for the Practice: Basics



Signal transmission:

- Use differential drivers
- Use symmetric cables: Twisted, Duplex coaxial
 - ↳ Voltage compensation with low capacitive coupling
 - ↳ Current compensation with low magnetic coupling
 - ↳ low coupling to support and other cables
 - ↳ low sensitivity to ground level shifting

Power supply:

- Separation of **Current return (N)** and **protection earth (PE) = Ground**
- Current return close to phase
 - ↳ Low current on PE and stable PE

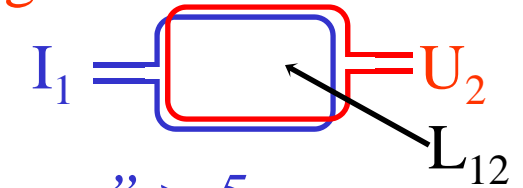
Following hints or not a statement, that DESY does it wrong

Guidelines are mainly from A.Kohling

Guidelines for Practice: Infrastructure

- **Group** the cable in categories and route separated:
EMC-noisy/EMC-sensible
- Compensation is not perfect: **Plan the cable support** carefully
- Cables should be **routed close to a ground plane**:
 - ↳ Reduces the noisy volume
 - Use **metal** as cable support
 - **Interconnect** consecutive cable supports with low impedance
- **Parallel cable channels** interconnect every 20-30m
- **Connect** cable supports every 20-30m **to PE**
- **Cable channels and racks** should be connected with low impedance

Guidelines for Practice: Signal cables



- Don't use **asymmetric or potential referenced** transmission over large distances: *In discussion "large" > 5m*
- **Signal shield** connected at both ends,
if not specified other (e.g. analog).

Discussion:

- *Contra experience from the practice,*
- *only good, if ground = ground*
ground free of current
- *advantage: less E/B-field into the instruments*

But at DESY: condition for ground is most cases violated

I got better behavior with only one side + diff. receiver

- **Outer shields** should regularly be connected at both ends,
Discussion see above
- Current for **signal and return** close to each another and parallel.
also for the branch line to switches.

Guidelines for Practice: Power supply

- Low voltage net (240V) should always be **TN-S –type**.

This is: 3-wire or 5-wire connections,

isolated neutral (N) and protection ground (PE)

↳ low current on explicit PE, metal of building , shields...

See next pictures:

Exact one connection from PE to N per transformer

Attention to extension leads (DESY-stock is OK.)

interconnections in power distributors (HV/UV)

- **Power supply cables** should regularly be multi conductor
(conductor twisted, close to each another)

The exception should be single wire:

But rooted parallel and low distance

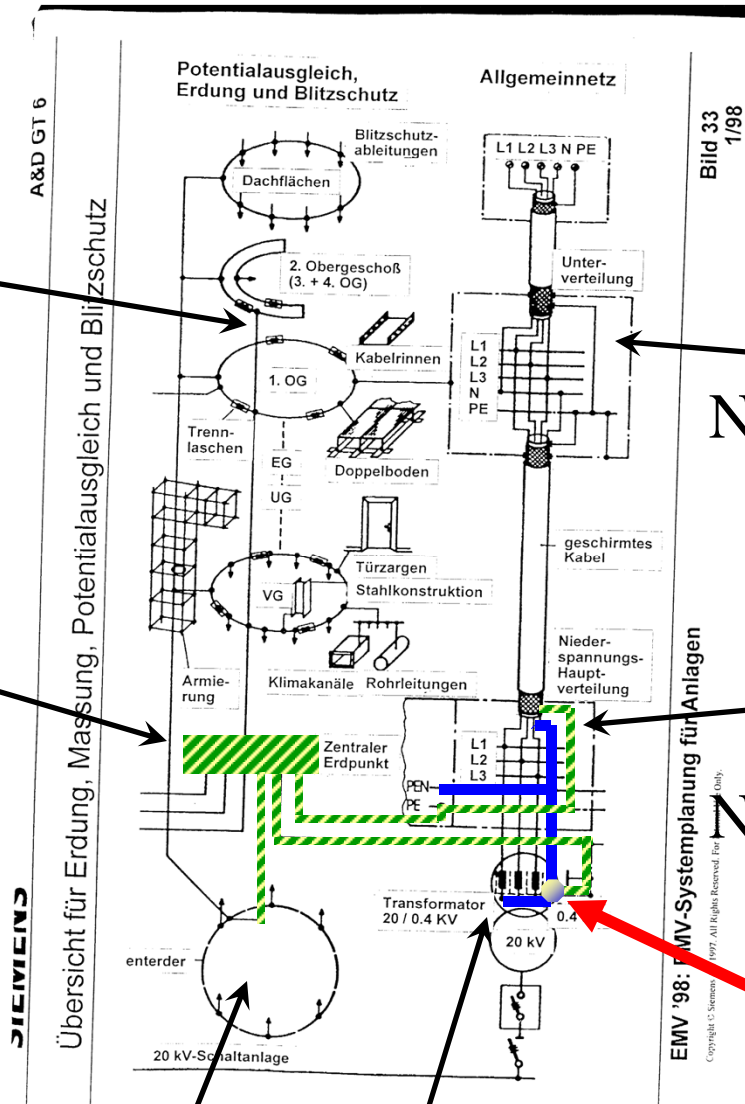
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Concept from Siemens:

A.Kohling

Construction of the building
Cable channels

Main
grounding
point



... distributor
(Unter Verteiler)
No connection N-PE

Main distributor
(Haupt Verteiler)
No connection N-PE

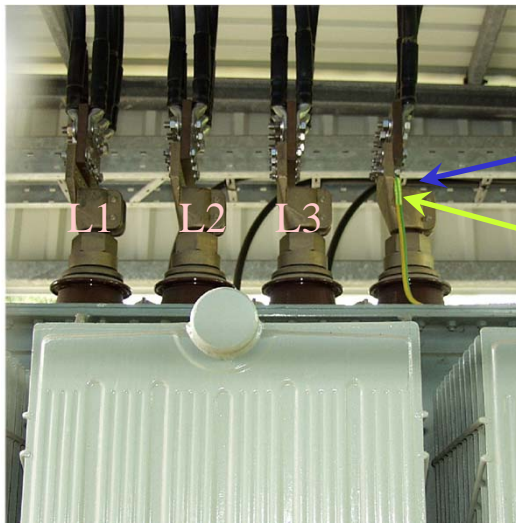
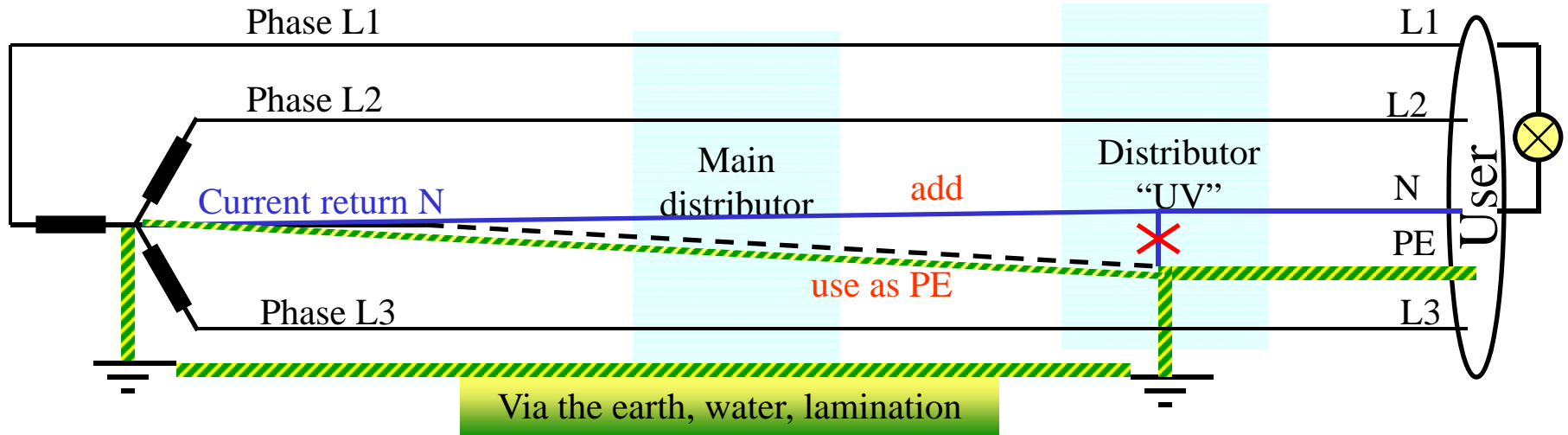
Only connection
from PE to N

Local PE

Transformer

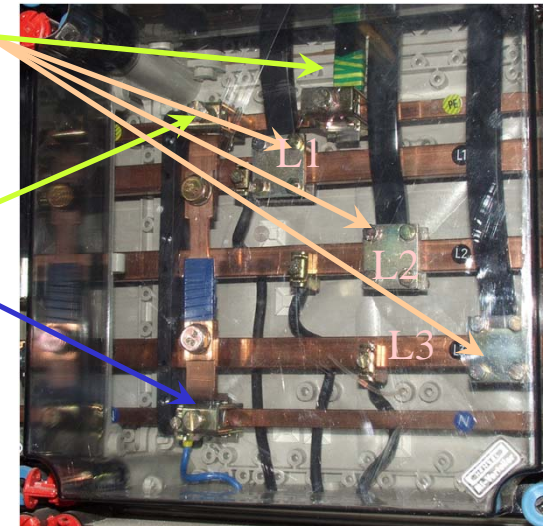
Minimal configuration: But Current on PE

→ Price for “no” current is a fifth wire, but don't forget VDE100 (low voltage regulation)



Transformer at DESY

4. Contact: 4 visible inputs
 N Neutral and PE Ground
 Bridge from PE to N



Distributor (UV) at DESY

No statement, whether both are the same circuit, But picture might make it easier to understand

Guidelines for Practice: Documentation

-Documents for cables should contain:

- cable type
- cable category (EMC, signal, power, analog/digital....)
- type of internal cable geometry: coax, twisted,....
- type of shielding
- position of connections of shield (and other) to ground
- description of signal used / possible on that cable

-Document for installed instruments:

- possible pattern of noise
- non fulfilling EMC-regulation

Experience at DESY:

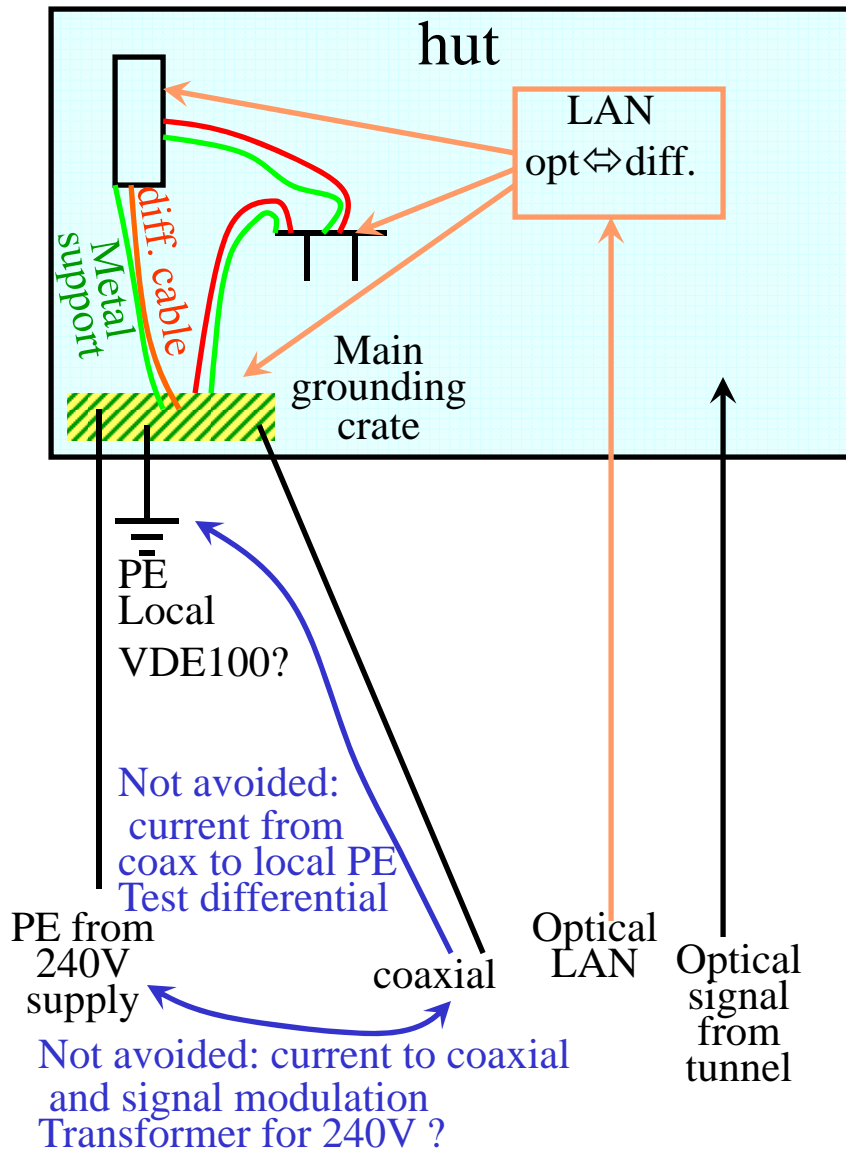
Difficult to fight against noise pickup

Normally noise transmitter not identifiable

↳ no understand of the coupling

↳ low information for improvement

Case Study for a isolated hut (EOS)



Outside hut : No information about I, U on Ground

Inside the hut

1. Keep current **away from PE**
 - Main grounding crate, connect all external GND, transform to differential ?, decouple external GND.
 - internal all differential
 - RF might not be a transmitter
2. **Metal cable supports** and network of GND – keep options
3. Input, if possible **optical**
4. Left problem:
 - 3 external GND**, likely $I \neq 0$
 - ↳ modulation of external signal?

Available Components

Electronic development:

Analog transmission: Video-lines, diff. ADC-drivers, (diff. ADC's)

Digital transmission:

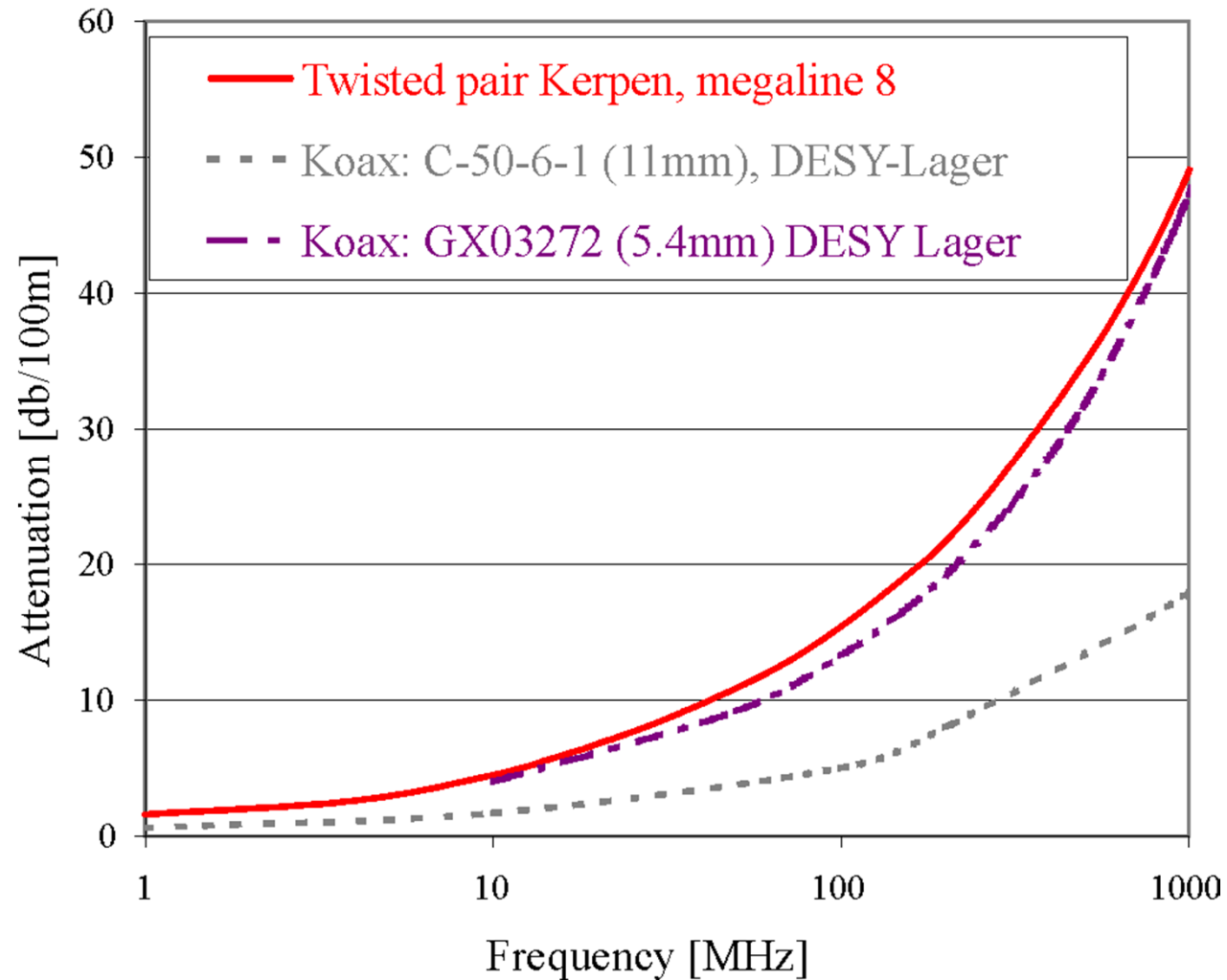
Well established:	diff. ECL (ECL dying, PECL alive)
	diff. NIM (no production of NIM-driver)
	RS422 (10Mbps)
	optical
last years and new	LVDS (100Mbps)
	transformer decoupling

Cables:

LAN-cables : 4 twisted pairs, individual shield, common GND
15.4dB/100m @ 100MHz, compatible to RG58

Duplex coax : used since long time at DESY

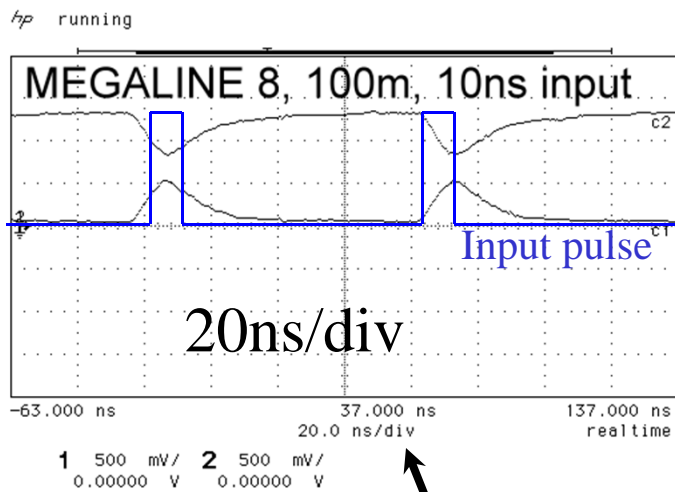
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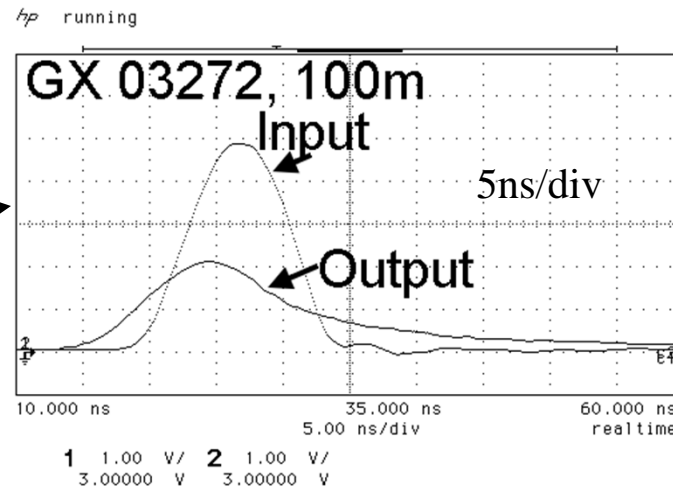
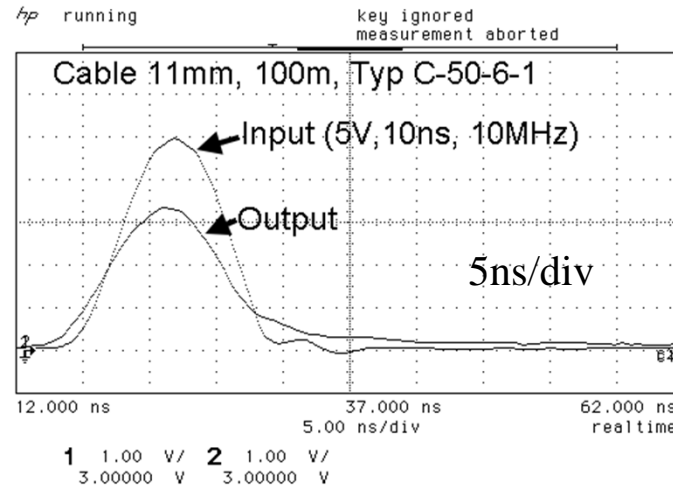
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Study for VUV-FEL
Beam loss monitor

Twisted pair



40% remaining
peak height



Concluding Remarks

- Regulation is one thing: No replacement for individual case study
- Small signal together with high currents ... is a challenge,
 - ↳ needs effort
- Not every thing can be improved later
 - ↳ Better plan in advance, but also prepare for later repairs
- System installations only function, if all in their duty keeps disturbance and couplings small
- Beside EMC/SI keep priority of personal safety in mind (VDE100)

EMC as legal regulation is an other item.
At DESY only in the starting phases.