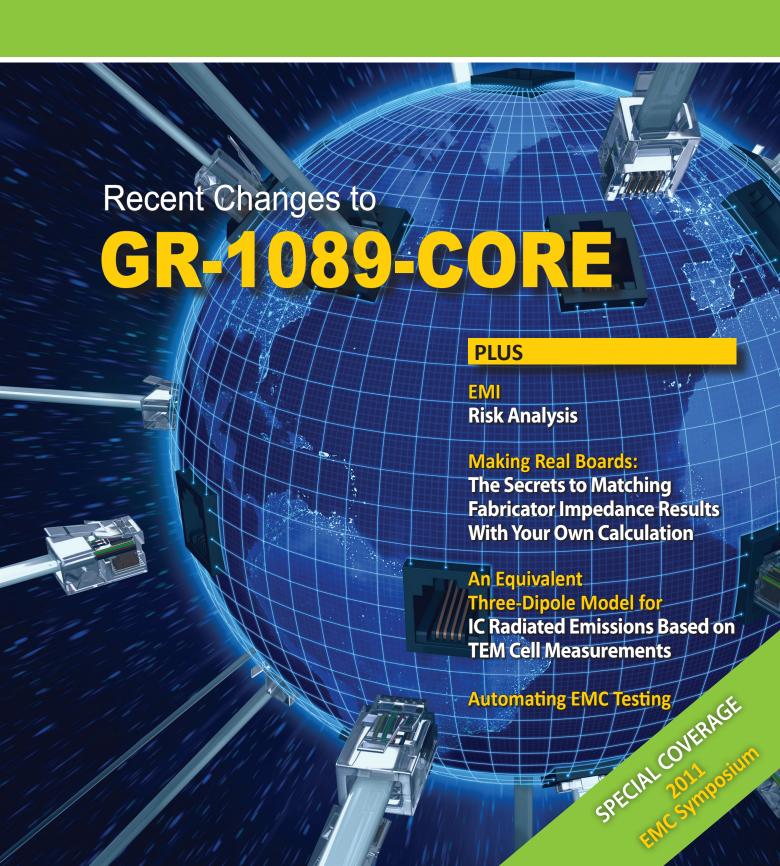
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California Dreamin'

I love this time of year. Here at the offices of In Compliance, we're getting ready for the largest international gathering of EMC professionals in our industry. The anticipation of seeing old friends and meeting new friends is beginning to build. And the hustle and bustle of planning for the big event is keeping us on our toes! California, here we come!

Just the other day, one of my colleagues mentioned that this would be our third August issue for In Compliance. I was a little surprised and shook my head in wonder (well, okay maybe a big "What!" fell out) because I really couldn't believe so much time has passed since the introduction of our Premiere Issue at the 2009 Symposium in Austin.

And yet - here we are, two full years into this adventure and a magazine filled with exciting, new things to share. As you leaf through the pages in this, our third August issue, you may notice a different look. It seemed appropriate that as we observe our second anniversary, we would take a close look at our magazine and make improvements for our 25th issue! We've streamlined things a bit and made things easier to find with colored tabs like the one you see here in the upper left corner. We hope you enjoy the new layout and invite your feedback.

Inside, you'll find a great line-up of articles from a broad range of authors.

Jeffrey Viel brings us special coverage on the new GR-1089-CORE Issue 6. Jeff provides a run down of the changes in Issue 6 and shares the potential impact on previously certified products.

Also new in this issue is the addition of Niels Jonassen's Mr. Static columns. We've coordinated efforts with The ESD Association to bring these timeless articles back into the print realm.

Take a walk down memory lane with Joe Tannehill in this month's "Reality Engineering" article - Automating EMC Testing, where Joe takes a look back in time to 1984 and shares with us the progression of the automation of EMC testing throughout his career. Dan Hoolihan covers software validation relative to EMC lab assessments in Joe's article and Kimball Williams joins in to write on Computer Assisted Testing.

Don't miss our 2011 EMC Symposium Preview starting on page 34. The 2011 Committee has organized a fantastic event this year!

And one last note, your letters and comments are truly appreciated - and help us deliver the news and information you've come to rely on. We hope you will continue sending your feedback so that we can continue to work at better serving you. Until we meet again.

Lorie Nichols Editor editor@incompliancemag.com



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FCC News

Commission Issues New Rules Against "Spoofing"

With the deceptive use of caller identification information on the rise, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) has issued new rules to protect consumers from the practice of "spoofing," which involves masking the identification of a caller for malicious purposes.

In a Report and Order issued in June 2011, the FCC now prohibits caller ID spoofing with fraudulent or harmful intent. Under the new rules, violators are subject to up to a \$10,000 fine for each violation, or three times that amount for each day of continuing violations, with a maximum fine of \$1 million for any continuing violation. In addition, the FCC may assess fines against entities it does not traditionally regulate without first issuing a citation, and can impose penalties more readily than it can under other provisions of the Communications Act.

According to the FCC, callers are still permitted to alter caller ID information as long as their purposes are not harmful or fraudulent. An example might be a domestic violence shelter that may have personal safety reasons for not revealing the actual phone number of the shelter.

The new rules implement the provisions of the Truth in Caller ID Act, passed by Congress and signed into law by President Obama in 2010.

The complete text of the Commission's Report and Order on spoofing is available at http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs_public/ attachmatch/FCC-11-100A1.pdf.

FCC Proposes Major Penalties for Unauthorized Phone Charges

Signaling its commitment to enforce its rules against the practice of "cramming" (the placing of unauthorized charges on a consumer's phone bill), the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) has proposed significant financial penalties against four separate telecommunications companies based in Pennsylvania.

In four separate Notices of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture issued in June 2011, the Commission has proposed a \$4.2 million penalty against Main Street Telephone of Blue Bell, PA, a \$3.0 million penalty against both VoiceNet Telephone and Cheap2Dial of Harrisburg, PA, and a \$1.5 million penalty against Norristown Telephone of

Blue Bell, PA, for a total of \$11.7 million. According to the FCC, the companies charged thousands of customers for "dial-around" long distance service that they had not ordered. The Commission's investigation revealed that only a small percentage of the affected consumers actually used the services, while the unlawful billing continued for months and, in some cases, years.

The FCC has found that cramming is an "unjust and unreasonable" practice that violates section 201(b) of the Communications Act, and has pledged to take aggressive enforcement action against companies that engage in cramming activities.

The complete texts of the Notices of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture are available at http://transition.fcc.gov/ Daily_Releases/Daily_Business/2011/ db0701/FCC-11-89A1.pdf (for Main Street), http://transition.fcc.gov/Daily_ Releases/Daily_Business/2011/db0701/ FCC-11-91A1.pdf (for Voice Net), http://transition.fcc.gov/Daily_Releases/ Daily_Business/2011/db0701/FCC-11-90A1.pdf (for Cheap2Dial), and http://transition.fcc.gov/Daily_Releases/ Daily_Business/2011/db0616/FCC-11-88A1.pdf (for Norristown Telephone).







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EU Commission Updates Ecological Criteria for Personal Computers

The Commission of the European Union (EU) has issued updated ecological criteria for manufacturers of personal computers (PCs) wishing to display the EU's Ecolabel on their products.

The Commission's Decision updating the Ecolabel requirements for PCs was published in June 2011 in the Official *Journal of European Union*. The new criteria update those originally issued by the Commission in 2005, which were valid through June 2011, and are consistent with those of the U.S. Energy Star program.

The specific EU Ecolabel criteria for PCs, and the requirements for the assessment and verification of compliance with the criteria, are laid out in the Annex to the Commission's Decision.

The complete text of the Commission's Decision regarding the use of the EU Ecolabel is available at http://eur-lex. europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?ur i=OJ:L:2011:151:0005:0014:EN:PDF.

Standards List for In-Vitro Medical Devices Updated by **EU Commission**

The Commission of the European Union (EU) has published an updated list of standards that can be used to demonstrate compliance with the essential requirements of its Directive 98/79/EC, dealing with in-vitro diagnostic medical devices.

According to the EU's Directive, an in-vitro diagnostic medical device is "any medical device which is a reagent, reagent product, calibrator, control material, kit, instrument, apparatus,

equipment, or system, whether used alone or in combination, intended by the manufacturer to be used in-vitro for the examination of specimens, including blood and tissue donations, derived from the human body."

Under the Directive's definition, specimen receptacles are considered to be in-vitro diagnostic medical devices, while products for general laboratory use are not, unless such products are intended to be used for in vitrodiagnostic examination.

The updated list of CEN and Cenelec standards that can be used to support compliance with the Directive was published in June 2011 in the Official Journal of the European Union, and replaces all previously published standards lists for the Directive.

The list is available at http://eur-lex. europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?ur i=OJ:C:2011:185:0003:0006:EN:PDF.

Updated Standards List Released for the EU's Directive on the Safety of Toys

The Commission of the European Union (EU) has published an updated list of standards that can be used to demonstrate conformity with the essential requirements of its directive relating to the safety of toys (88/378/EEC).

According to the Directive, a toy is defined as "any product or material designed or clearly intended for use in play by children of less than 14 years of age." The scope of the Directive includes electric toys that are powered by a nominal voltage up to and including 24 V, and requires sufficient protections for such devices to prevent the risk of electric shock and/or burns.

The most recently updated list of CEN standards for the Directive was published in June 2011 in the Official Journal of the European Union, and replaces all previously published standards lists for the Directive.

The revised list of standards can be viewed at http://eur-lex.europa.eu/ LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:C:20 11:178:0004:0005:EN:PDF.

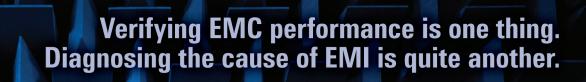
Updated Standards List Published for EU's ATEX Directive

The Commission of the European Union (EU) has published an updated list of standards that can be used to demonstrate conformity with the essential requirements of its directive concerning equipment and protective systems intended for use in potentially explosive atmospheres.

The directive, 94/9/EC, which is also known as the ATEX Directive, applies to "machines, apparatus, fixed or mobile devices, control components and instrumentation...and detection or prevention systems which...are intended for the generation, transfer, storage, measurement, control and conversion of energy and/or the processing of material," and "which are capable of causing an explosion through their own potential sources of ignition."

The updated list of standards was published in June 2011 in the Official Journal of the European Union, and replaces all previously published standards lists for the ATEX Directive.

The complete list of standards can be viewed at http://eur-lex.europa.eu/ LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:C:20 11:168:0002:0011:EN:PDF.





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CPSC News

CPSC Opens New Product Testing Center

The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) has opened a new state-of-the-art product testing facility in Rockville, MD.

According to the CPSC, the new National Product Testing and Evaluation Center provides 63,000 sq. ft. of office and laboratory space, and house 75 agency scientists and engineers. The new center is equipped with a variety of testing equipment, including an ATV tilt table to measure ATV road stability, and advanced test chambers to conduct mattress flammability testing and carbon monoxide alarm testing.

Published in the Federal Register in June 2011, the new rule restricts the importation of hand-held hair dryers that do not include integral immersion protection, and gives the CPSC the authority to issue a mandatory recall of any such non-compliant devices.

Current voluntary industry standards require manufacturers of hand-held hair dryers to incorporate a protective mechanism into the device that prevents shock and/or electrocution when the hair dryer comes in contact with water. According to the CPSC, most manufacturers and distributors already comply with these voluntary standards. However, the new rule provides the agency with additional

four separate reports of smoke and/ or fire with the recalled units, with fire extending beyond the units in two instances, resulting in property damage. However, no injuries have been reported.

The recalled air conditioning and heating units were sold by GE authorized representatives and HVAC distributors nationwide from March 2010 through March 2011 for between \$1000 and \$1200.

More information about this recall is available at http://www.cpsc.gov/ cpscpub/prerel/prhtml11/11247.html.

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Additional information about the CPSC's new product testing center is available at http://www.cpsc.gov/ cpscpub/prerel/prhtml11/11244.html.

CPSC Approves New Safety Rule for Hair Dryers

The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) has approved a new rule that strengthens its enforcement efforts against unsafe hand-held hair dryers.

enforcement options to ensure the safety of consumers.

The complete text of the CPSC's new rule regarding hand-held hair dryers as published in the Federal *Register* is available at http://www. cpsc.gov/BUSINFO/frnotices/fr11/ hairdryrule.pdf.

GE Recalls Air Conditioning and Heating Units

GE Appliances and Lighting of Louisville, KY has announced the recall of about 91,000 of its GE Zonelinebrand air conditioners and heaters manufactured in China.

The company reports that an electrical component in the heating system can fail, thereby posing a fire hazard to consumers. GE says that it has received

Company Recalls Premium Sewing Machines

Janome America, Inc. of Mahwah, NJ is recalling about 600 sewing machines manufactured in Japan and Taiwan.

Janome reports that the wire inside the sewing machines can short circuit, posing a risk of fire to consumers. The company says that it has received one report of a sewing machine catching fire, but no reports of injuries or property damage.

The recalled sewing machines were sold at sewing machine stores nationwide from September 2010 through April 2011 for about \$3000.

Additional details about this recall are available at http://www.cpsc.gov/ cpscpub/prerel/prhtml11/11237.html.





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Standards and Outlines

UL 102: Interim Sustainability Requirements for Door Leafs Standard dated June 14, 2011

UL 110: Interim Sustainability Requirements for Mobile Phones Standard dated June 6, 2011

UL 263: Standard for Fire Tests of **Building Construction and Materials** Standard dated June 21, 2011

UL 1963: Standard for Refrigerant Recovery/Recycling Equipment Standard dated June 1, 2011

UL 2007A: Standard for Shatter Containment Of Lamps For Use In **Regulated Food Establishments** Standard dated June 21, 2011

Revisions

UL 8: Standard for Water Based Agent Fire Extinguishers

Revision dated June 13, 2011

UL 69: Standard for Electric-Fence Controllers

Revision dated June 15, 2011

UL 197: Standard for Commercial Electric Cooking Appliances

Revision dated June 24, 2011

UL 248-1: Standard for Low-Voltage Fuses - Part 1: General Requirements Revision dated June 22, 2011

UL 295: Standard for Commercial-Industrial Gas Burners

Revision dated June 11, 2011

UL 296: Standard for Oil Burners Revision dated June 15, 2011

UL 489: Standard for Molded-Case Circuit Breakers, Molded-Case Switches and Circuit-Breaker Enclosures Revision dated June 30, 2011

UL 514D: Standard for Cover Plates for Flush-Mounted Wiring Devices Revision dated June 28, 2011

UL 551: Standard for Transformer-Type Arc-Welding Machines

Revision dated June 23, 2011

UL 810A: Standard for Electrochemical Capacitors

Revision dated June 7, 2011

UL 962: Standard for Household and **Commercial Furnishings**

Revision dated June 3, 2011

UL 1004-1: Standard for Rotating **Electrical Machines - General** Requirements

Revision dated June 23, 2011

UL 1053: Standard for Ground-Fault Sensing and Relaying Equipment

Revision dated June 15, 2011

UL 1082: Standard for Household Electric Coffee Makers and Brewing-Type Appliances

Revision dated June 17, 2011

UL 1083: Standard for Household Electric Skillets and Frying-Type Appliances Revision dated June 17, 2011

UL 1247: Standard for Diesel Engines for **Driving Stationary Fire Pumps** Revision dated June 28, 2011 L 1411: Standard for Transformers and Motor Transformers for Use in Audio-, Radio-, and Television-Type Appliances Revision dated June 16, 2011

UL 1450: Standard for Motor-Operated Air Compressors, Vacuum Pumps, and **Painting Equipment**

Revision dated June 7, 2011

UL 1876: Standard for Isolating Signal and Feedback Transformers for Use in **Electronic Equipment**

Revision dated June 29, 2011

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HEADQUARTERS NEWS

The 2011 Symposium season is upon us. In August we have the IEEE EMCS 2011, in September there is the ESDA EOS/ESD 2011, and then in October the IEEE PSES 2011. This year they are all in California, and all just far enough apart that we will be travelling back and forth for each one.

The important thing to remember for all who plan to attend any of these events is that your symposium registration fee also covers the iNARTE exam proctoring service. Each of the organizers have graciously offered iNARTE exhibition and examination room space and you can register in advance to take any of the iNARTE examinations at any of these events, and at the US domestic application rates. Below are some useful links:

iNARTE Home - www.narte.org iNARTE Examination Registration www.narte.org/h/examregform.asp

EMCS 2011 - www.emc2011.org/program/ EOS/ESD 2011 www.esda.org/symposia.html

PSES 2011 - www.psessymposium.org

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www.narte.org/h/emcdesignengineer.asp MIL-STD EMC Specialist www.narte.org/h/milstdemcspecialist.asp

iNARTE Certification for ESDA Program Managers - www.esda.org/documents/ SymposiumProgram2011.pdf (Page 6)

And for all you experienced EMC Design Engineers out there, get your applications submitted and recorded during our introductory Grandfathering period. Applications will be received until December 31st 2011, after that you have up to 12 months to complete the process.

MIL-STD EMC SPECIALIST

The new MIL STD certification program has already started. On June 14th-17th, Washington Laboratories Academy gave

a four day course to introduce the new/ modified test methods and test article configurations that are now part of MIL-STD 461F. At the conclusion of the tutorials on June 17th, Steve Ferguson proctored the first iNARTE MIL-STD EMC Specialist certification examination. Most attendees did not have enough prior notice of the iNARTE exam to come prepared, but two brave souls took the plunge and both passed. Their certificates will be issued when their remaining application steps have been completed. One of these lucky applicants will get Certificate #00001.

Washington Laboratories Academy will be repeating this event several more times. The current schedule is September 13th -16th, 2011, November 14^{th} - 17^{th} , 2011, and March 13th-16th, 2012. Make your reservations as soon as possible, and come prepared with reference materials ready to take the iNARTE open-book exam, (http://www.wll. com/academy.html).

ASIAN REVIEW

This year we attempted to cover all our more active Asian regions in one trip, so 11 flights and three weeks later we have attended APEMC 2011 and met with partners in Japan, Korea, China and Singapore.

Japan continues to be our most responsive country. This year, so far, we have had more than 230 Japanese applicants taking iNARTE certification examinations, and

currently almost half our EMC and PSE certificate holders are in Japan. As reported last month, we signed a formal agreement with KEC Japan to introduce the EMC Design Engineer certification program and it will be interesting to see how popular this new certificate becomes there, as compared to the USA.

We have a new Regional Partner in Korea who will be promoting iNARTE Certification for ESD practitioners. Joshua Yoo, President of CORE Insight Inc. provides consulting services and ESD control training. CORE has worked closely with the ESDA for several years and has built an excellent reputation. We were able to spend time with Joshua and his assistant Elly Koo to finalize arrangements for an iNARTE examination session on July 22nd.

On to Hong Kong, where we met with Jerry Lee and Kent Hsu of ATCB-HI Ltd. ATCB acts as the exclusive administrator for iNARTE programs in China and Taiwan. We reviewed progress on the strategic plan prepared last year and established our priorities for the next 12 months. There is interest in EMC, ESD and Product Safety Engineering certification in this region, but applicants are only slowly emerging.

Finally to Singapore, and meetings with Marcus Koh and Yohan Goh of Everfeed Technology Pte Ltd. Everfeed is part of a group of companies having facilities in Malaysia and China, specializing in consultation, solutions and training in ESD

The Chicken Rice Engine Room



control. Marcus has been most successful in recruiting applicants for iNARTE ESD certification from among their customer group and we discussed arrangements for Everfeed to host a special, three day, ESD Association Tutorial and iNARTE examination program later this year.

It was nice to get back after that trip and back to some home cooked meals again. We certainly sampled a few strange things during our travels. Abalone, black pork and horse are all popular on Jeju Island. Hong Kong has everything, but we particularly enjoyed the special roast goose and the spicy fish soup. In Singapore we tried their

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popular chicken rice and the turtle special with crocodile soup. It was all good, but not exactly what we are used to.

REGISTER FOR CERTIFICATION EXAMS

The following events offer candidates a chance to take the iNARTE certification examinations without incurring proctoring fees.

IEEE EMCS 2011 – Long Beach, CA. iNARTE workshop on August 15th, examinations on August 19th.

EOS/ESD 2011- Anaheim, CA. iNARTE examinations on September 16th

IEEE PSES 2011 – San Diego, CA. iNARTE examinations on October 13th

Candidates can register in advance at the iNARTE web site to examine at any of the above events for any of the programs that we offer. At the event, candidates can register until the day before the exam, but only for the discipline related to the event.



The Turtle and Crock Pot

QUESTION OF THE MONTH

Last month we asked:

According to MIL-STD-461F, stepped frequency susceptibility scans shall dwell at each tuned frequency for:

- A) 500 ms
- B) 1 s
- C) A period of time not less than that required for the EUT to respond.
- D) The greater of 3 seconds or the EUT response time.

The correct answer is D) The greater of 3 seconds or the EUT response time.

This question this month is:

Select one of the radio frequencies listed below that represents the 19th order intermodulation product frequency for signal frequencies of $3.397~\mathrm{MHz}$ and $12.45~\mathrm{MHz}$.

- A) 12.903 MHz
- B) 4.606 MHz
- C) 17.002 MHz
- D) None of the above

(the author)

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Printed Circuit Boards of the Future

BY MARK MONTROSE

Almost every electrical device has a physical structure that contains transmission lines. We call this structure a printed circuit board (PCB). There are three basic structures-rigid, flex and rigid-flex. Advances in technology mandate smaller, faster and at low cost. The company that can achieve all three elements will be successful.

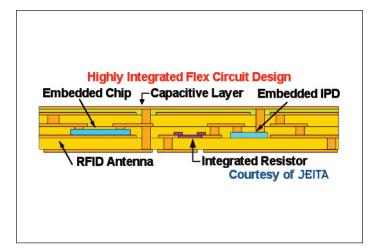
n the future, there will be a point to where the number of active and passive components that can be physically mounted onto a PCB will exceed the available real-estate of the laminate including both top and bottom layers. When this occurs the product must increase in size or features removed. This is a challenge for

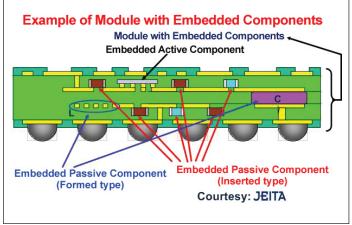
any designer. PCBs in the future may take on different forms than what we are familiar with today.

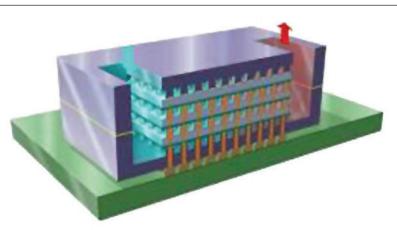
To highlight where the future of PCB technology may end up, we can expect the following will become a routine

design process. Will advances in PCB technology make more or less work for the EMC engineer?

- 1. Most high-technology products will be six or more layers using very thing
- 2. Discrete actives such as semiconductor dies, or wafers, will be embedded internal to the assembly. Embedding actives minimizes loop area inductance and allows room on both top and bottom for components and interconnects that cannot be embedded.
- 3. Discrete passives, such as capacitors and inductors will also be embedded along with buried capacitance layers to ensure a high quality power distribution network. Buried resistors have been around for several decades (www.ohmega.com).
- 4. Transmission lines will be fiber optic and not traditional copper traces. There are now PCBs that contain fiber optic traces which are made by placing glass beads in a trench within a core layer and during manufacturing melted into a fiber optic interconnect. Backplanes are also becoming fiber optic for certain high-speed applications.
- 5. Three dimensional components will be used with higher number of I/O pins and greater power consumption. IN







3D-IC with vias and inter layer cooling channels enclosed in a sealed housing (www.PhysOrg.com)

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How Is Static Electricity Generated?

Predicting the level of static build-up is rarely possible.

BY NIELS JONASSEN

Nearly all static-electric phenomena are caused by the interaction between charges located on the surfaces of bodies which might be conductive as well as insulative. A basic question, therefore, is, how do the bodies obtain the charges? We will present a qualitative overview of the physical processes involved in static build up.

INTRODUCTION

Associate Professor Neils Jonassen authored a bi-monthly static column that appeared in Compliance Engineering Magazine. The series explored charging, ionization, explosions, and other ESD related topics. The ESD Association, working with IN Compliance Magazine is republishing this series as the articles offer timeless insight into the field of electrostatics.

Professor Jonassen was a member of the ESD Association from 1983-2006. He received the ESD Association Outstanding Contribution Award in 1989 and authored technical papers, books and technical reports. He is remembered for his contributions to the understanding of Electrostatic control, and in his memory we reprise "Mr. Static".

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he title might seem to imply a discussion on developing formulas for quantitatively predicting the magnitude of electrification from material parameters and other physical conditions. Quantitative predictions, however, are rarely

It is important to first stress that charges are never generated. They always exist in atoms—as positive charges on the protons of the nuclei, and as negative charges on the electrons around the nuclei. An electric effect can be seen only when electrons are removed from some of the atoms in one material and transferred to atoms in another (or maybe even the same) material. The electric effect is caused by the attraction between opposite charges and the repulsion between like charges.

We are normally only aware of this effect if the electron-exchanging materials are separated in such a manner that at least part of the charges do not reunite during the separation process. The transfer of electrons between atoms or molecules might occur when two solids-identical or differentcontact each other, with electrons crossing the interface in a preferential direction, giving one material a positive and the other a negative excess charge.

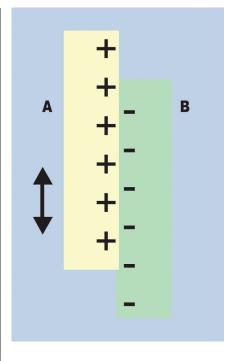


Figure 1: Triboelectrification

The exchange of electrons could also occur when an insulative liquid flows through a tube, when a liquid of almost any type breaks up into droplets of nonuniform magnitude, or when droplets fall through an inhomogeneous field, such as in a thundercloud.

The number of electrons transferred in any charging process is enormous. Here are some examples. If a powder, such as sugar or flour, slides down a tube and sticks to the wall, the charge on each tiny particle could be 10⁻¹⁴ to 10⁻¹³ C, i.e., 100,000 to 1 million electrons have been transferred per particle. A person who has walked across a carpeted floor receives a shock when touching a doorknob that typically has a charge of about 10⁻⁷ C. Powder sliding down a tube often has a specific charge of about 10-7 C•kg-1. A plastic folder rubbed with a piece of cloth or fur typically produces a charge of 10⁻⁷ C per sheet.

Charging of Solids: Triboelectrification

The most important type of charge separation involves the contact and friction between solids known as triboelectrification. When two solid materials, A and B (see Figure 1), contact and possibly rub against each other, electrons could move across the interface.

Metals. It may be surprising that triboelectrification also happens when the two contacting materials are metals. And even more surprising is that this friction between metals is the only case in which the result of the charge transfer can be accurately predicted. When two metals contact, a voltage difference is established across the interface—the so-called contact potential difference—with a magnitude from a couple of tenths to a few volts.

If the metals are "well-defined" metals, the contact potential difference can be calculated from the work functions, i.e., the energy it takes to remove a loosely bound electron from the metal. It should be stressed, however, that this charge exchange between metals only gives rise to what we normally understand as static electricity when the two metals are separated extremely quickly, such as when a metal powder is blown against a metal surface.

Insulators. It is likely that processes similar to those described for metals could take place during contact between materials of which one or both are insulators. It is, however, difficult to characterize completely an insulating surface. For many materials, especially noncrystalline ones, the energy levels are badly defined and, therefore, the detailed contact processes are not known.

It is conceivable that only electrons located close to the surface can participate in the charging of highly insulative materials. Similar to metals, for some of these materials it is possible to measure the work function for loosely bound electrons. Because the measured values only hold true for materials with well-defined surface states, the practical implication of this is small.

As soon as a surface prepared in vacuum is exposed to ordinary air, the state—including the energy levels of surface electrons—can change considerably. Consequently, charging experiments with insulators can only yield quantitatively predictable results if the surfaces are carefully prepared and the experiments are performed in vacuum. And such experiments might disclose very little about

Positive end
Plexiglass
Bakelite
Cellulose nitrate
Glass
Quartz
Nylon
Wool
Silk
Cotton
Paper
Amber
Resins (natural and man-made)
Metals
Rubber
Acetate rayon
Dacron
Orlon
Polystyrene
Teflon
Cellulose nitrate
Polyvinyl chloride
Negative end

Table 1: An example of a triboelectric series

what one could expect to find under morepractical conditions.

Contact Electrification: Triboelectric Series

One of the material parameters influencing the course of a charging process between two solid materials is the permittivity. Scientifically speaking, permittivity is defined as the ratio between corresponding values of the dielectric displacement and the electric field strength. However, in this context, it is more important that permittivity is also a measure of the ability of the material to become polarized.1 If an ion or another small, charged atomic or molecular cluster lands on an insulative surface, it will be bound to the surface by polarization forces. The stronger the forces, the higher the permittivity of the material.

This is the background for Coehn's law, which states that when two materials are in contact with each other, the one with the highest permittivity becomes positive. This law was originally based on a comparison of known values of permittivity and published triboelectric series (i.e., a list of materials arranged in such an order that any material will become positively charged when rubbed against another material that is nearer the negative end of the series). There is no doubt that such a correlation exists, but with quite a few exemptions. And certain groups of materials can even be arranged in a closed series.

Table 1 shows an example of a triboelectric series. Such a series should be used with caution because the order of the materials could vary from series to series. Some series even locate air at the top of the positive end, which is a mistake.

From the relative position of a material in a series, it is possible to predict the sharing of polarity. However, the magnitude of the charges separated by contact and friction between two given materials can only be predicted with a high degree of uncertainty.

The magnitude of the charges often increases with the degree of friction

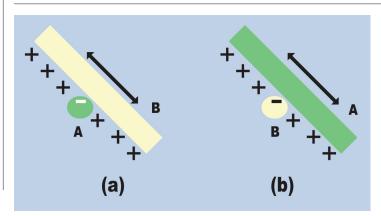


Figure 2: Asymmetrical friction.

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Figure 3: Electrification by flow of liquid

between the surfaces, and the reason for this could be that the rubbing increases the area of contact between the surfaces while the charging process itself is only governed by the energy state of the surfaces, and that charged particles cross the interface at points of sufficient proximity. This, however, is hardly a satisfactory interpretation, because then it wouldn't be possible to explain the fact that two identical surfaces can get charged by rubbing against each other. It could be argued, though, that no two surfaces are ever identical, and that incidental and uncontrollable differences might cause different affinities to charged particles.

Asymmetric Friction

As mentioned earlier, the degree of friction between two materials influences the contact area, and thus the exchange of charges. But the process of friction could have a specific influence of its own. It can be demonstrated that if two identical surfaces—macroscopically speaking—are

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rubbed against each other in such a way that the contact takes place between a small area of one surface and a larger area of the other, the polarities of the surfaces are likely to change if the roles of the surfaces are interchanged. Figure 2 illustrates this process. Two pieces—A and B—of the same material are rubbed against each other. In Figure 2a, A is stationary and B is being used as the bow on a string. If the bow, B, becomes positive, then, when the roles of A and B are reversed, the bow (in this case A) will again be positive, as seen in Figure 2b. This is asymmetrical friction.

A possible explanation of this phenomenon is that the asymmetry could cause a thermal gradient to develop between the surfaces, thereby inducing already existing charge carriers to move in a certain direction. It is also possible that the charge carriers are produced by a thermal dissociation of the material into charged components.

Other conditions, such as the existence of external electric fields across interfaces, may also play a role in charge exchange between contacting solid materials. This effect can be used in an electrostatic separation process.

Postcontact Processes. Although contact between metals might produce charge transfer, no net charge will remain on the metals after separation unless at least one of the metals is insulated and the separation happens very quickly. If, on the other hand, at least one of the materials is an insulator, both surfaces will be charged immediately after separation. If they are both insulative or if one is an insulated conductor, the charges might remain on the materials even when they are far removed from each other.

During the initial separation, a series of processes could take place that would reduce the magnitude of the charges remaining on the surfaces. Such processes include decay and various types of discharges, ranging from corona discharge to regular sparks.

Charging of Liquids

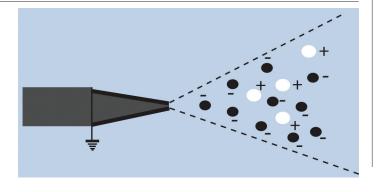
The charging of solid materials by contact and friction is the best known type of static electrification, but it is not the only one. Liquids can also get charged, by flowing through tubes or by spraying, for example. However, the mechanism involved in the charging of liquids is somewhat different from the processes active in solids charging.

It has been demonstrated that phenomena like electrophoresis and capillary electricity in aqueous solutions can be explained if it is assumed that, on the interface between a liquid and a solid, or between a liquid and a gas, an electrical double layer exists in the liquid with a layer of charge close to the surface and a layer of the opposite polarity a short distance into the liquid.

Flow and Spraying. If the surface of a liquid is changed, the electric double layer has to be formed or destroyed. These processes are supposed to have a certain inertia, which implies that it is possible to separate the charges of the double layer by mechanical action on the liquid.

If a liquid is flowing through a tube, there is a tendency for the outer charge of the double layer to be given off to the tube and the inner charge to be carried along with the flow (see Figure 3). The effect of the charging increases with the resistivity of the fluid (and depends on several other





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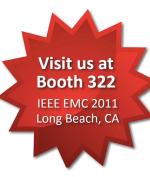


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It is very rarely possible to accurately predict the level of static buildup one might encounter under certain, even well-defined, working conditions, but there are exceptions.

parameters). Consequently, only highly insulative liquids ($\rho > ca. 10^7 \Omega \cdot m$) will show charging by flow. Water, therefore, will not charge by flow.

It is well known that the breaking up of a liquid into droplets could cause charge separation. This is what happens with waterfall electricity or whenever water is broken into droplets (see Figure 4) where the fine mist, consisting mainly of very small droplets, is predominantly negative and the larger water drops, precipitating more easily, are positive.

Although charging of liquids by flow can only occur with highly insulative liquids, charging by spraying can happen with almost any liquid.

Charging of Powders

Dust and powders can get charged by contact or friction between the particles, especially if the individual particles have different properties, such as varying sizes or differing materials. Such charging could result in the particles sticking together. More common, however, are processes in which a powder is being transported through a system of tubes, and the powder as a whole is being charged by friction with the walls of the tube system. This kind of charging might take place if either the powder, the tubes, or both are insulative.

Charging of Gases

This section could actually be abbreviated to a single phrase: Gases do not charge! But it is not uncommon to find large static charges where gases are used in connection with transport of liquids and solids such as powders. This phenomenon is often interpreted as a charging of the gas itself. This, however, is not the case.

The kinetic energy that might be imparted to a gas molecule in an airflow—even at high velocities—is much lower than the thermal kinetic energies at normal temperatures. It is also much lower than the level required to knock an electron off either the gas molecule itself or the container walls, for instance.

This theoretical prediction is backed by experiments in which filtered air is blown against a solid surface. No charging occurs. The charging observed with ordinary compressed air is caused by liquid or solid impurities of the gas impinging on the target and, therefore, is a case of dust charging rather than gas charging. The polarity of the target charge can be either positive or negative, depending on the nature of the target as well as that of the impurities.

Placing air at the top of a triboelectric list, therefore, makes no sense. Nearly all charging experiments I have done with nonfiltered air impinging on a variety of solid materials have shown a positive charge on the target, which apparently should place air at the negative end of the list. But that, too, is wrong. All experiments with carefully filtered air show no charging, demonstrating that gases do not charge.

Conclusion

It is very rarely possible to accurately predict the level of static buildup one might encounter under certain, even welldefined, working conditions, but there are exceptions. If one is dealing with liquids flowing through tube systems and the resistivities, resistances, capacitances, flow rates, and system geometry are known, then it is certainly possible to calculate fairly accurately the charging currents and equilibrium voltages.

But if one is dealing with the conditions in the electronic industry, little is usually known about the charging conditions. Materials with often-unknown properties are rubbing against each other and exchanging charges at an unknown and unpredictable rate. Sometimes one can measure the end result, but here one should be aware that the measurement itself could interfere essentially with the quantity to be measured.

So we're left with the question: What can we do? Can we do something to prevent charging? The short answer: very little. Can we do something to abate the effects of the charging? The answer: a lot. Abating the effects will be addressed in a future column.

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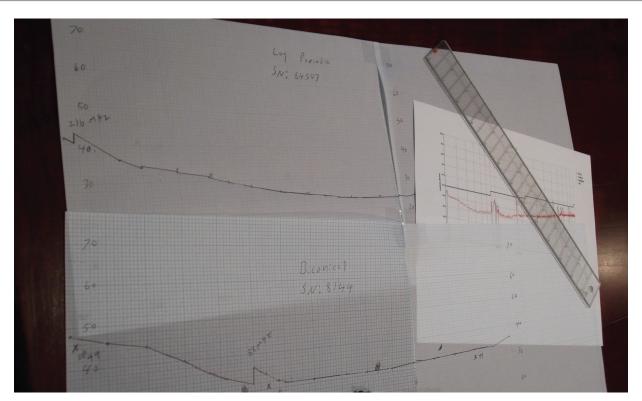
BY JOE TANNEHILL

3 Days, 3 Guys, and Some Graph Paper – The Early Days

I was introduced to commercial electromagnetic interference (EMI) testing in 1984. While working at Intergraph Corp. in Huntsville, Alabama, I got to work in the coolest looking building in town. It was an oversized pool cover that we called 'The Bubble'. The bubble building was on a hillside that allowed the Open Area Test Site (OATS) ground plane to be a bit above the surrounding terrain, free of conductive building materials and large enough for a 10 meter ellipse, though we primarily used it for 3 meter testing.

'n those days, Intergraph was producing large rack mounted computer systems that focused on high resolution graphics and the storage required to support the high detail needed for CAD/CAM and geographical mapping. For instance, each rack would contain three phase power distribution, some hard disk drives and a subsystem. Typically we needed racks for the CPU, the graphics processor, storage, and maybe a rack just for managing it all. The main interface was a line printer or alpha numeric monitor that would require at least one systems engineer to type in the boot sequence and all of the commands to get the system to eventually print a capital 'H' pattern to all display and I/O devices. Sometimes this took days to setup and run. All of this would support a separate graphics workstation that could have dual high resolution displays and a large digitizer table. All very cool stuff, but even though it was capable of mapping the world in 3D and color, all we got to see were scrolling Hs.

Once running, it was difficult to shut down and re-start just because it was the end



'Plotting' along: The two taped sections of graph paper represent biconical and log periodic ranges. They are also serialized since each antenna has to have its own graph. You can see the breaks in the limit lines here as well. Contrast the full range in the automated plot.

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of the work day. So, like all EMC guys, our real work did not start till after 5:00 pm on Friday and of course the system had to ship out on Monday! After over 26 years, I can see that not much has changed about the demands on the electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) community.

The test methodology was an exercise in consumption of time and money and the outpouring of expletives and sweat. We would have one person drive the spectrum analyzer and one person to record bogeys. Since this was an OATS, we were subject to the ambients found in that area. It was easy to discern most ambients by knowing all of the local licensed transmitters such as radio and TV broadcasts. We could also 'tune in' using the demod on the Ouasi Peak adaptor to listen to the emission to determine if it was our EUT or not. So, before the EUT was powered on, we would do a manual scan through the spectrum and record any ambients that we could not identify. This could take over three hours.

After deciding on who was going to work the weekend, we would go through the same scanning technique with the Equipment under Test (EUT) fully operational with one person calling out frequency and amplitude and the other recording them in a table. We would try to cross reference the ambient list but sometimes they would sneak through.

Ambients do not matter unless it is close to or over your limit line. To stop a test and shutdown the EUT was the last thing we wanted to do. Sometimes we could use a near field probe to validate the emission was an actual EUT product. Did I mention that we had to test this rack mounted system in multiple azimuths, two polarities and two antenna ranges. To 'go back' to a previous position was a horrifying contemplation!

The 'Real Time Limit Line' was a penciled in line on some graph paper that would alter the FCC Class A limit line to account for cable loss and antenna factor. The line would look like the contour of your factors with the limit line break points at 88 and 216 MHz. A ruler would help for those pesky middle frequencies.

The third person (boss) was required at the end of the testing when all data was captured on multiple sheets of paper. We would sit together with one person reading out loud each emission and amplitude while another person cross referenced the ambient list and the other person looked at the graph paper to see what the delta was. After hours of this, we would have a list of emissions that we would have to determine the final result using a calculator to get the absolute value and delta to the limit. As Kimball Williams mentions in his side bar article, the questioning of data accuracy

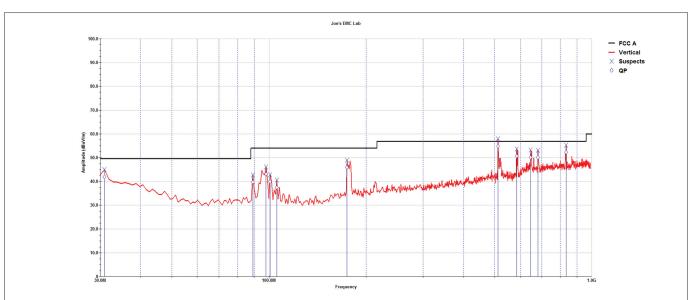
and integrity was a major factor early Monday morning! If a failure or marginal emission was identified, we would have to crank up the beast, and look for worst case positioning of cables and peripherals then take pictures of it.

The final report would include the six highest emissions with their associated position, polarity, and antenna height along with the photos. We would use a Polaroid camera with a hood on it that would fit over the spectrum analyzer display to provide graphical data of the top six emissions, one at a time. Of course this was raw data, so we would place the display line where the corrected limit line should be. If a failure was found, the whole process was then called a pre-compliance engineering run.

Conducted emissions were similar since we did not have a chamber to block ambient signals from getting onto our power lines.

First Generation Automation

After years of doing it 'that way' we finally bought an HP 9300 computer to run a version of Hewlett Packard EMI software so that we could at least automate the spectrum capture and quasi peak measurements. Though this software was technically accurate and functional, it was not usable for us. We found that it did not



All the answers: This graph shows the same range on one sheet of paper compared to the graph paper which needed four sheets. This range also takes advantage of a broadband antenna that does not have a break at 200 MHz. This type of graph can be formatted to show EUT, Client, Date/Time and Comments so that you can see all you need to know about the test and EUT.

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have a good method for discriminating against ambients and it was too rigid with its process. At this time (around 1989, I think) we realized we could still use the computer connected to the analyzer to automate some processes. Any time savings was an improvement! Eventually the test time was reduced from as long as one week to about four hours. EUT's also got smaller with less complex setups.

The computer used HP Basic, also known as Rocky Mountain Basic (RMB) operating system. I did not have any programing background but found it to be pretty easy to work with. As I became the resident code monkey on this system, I eventually had to make it work with FCC, VDE, and then CISPR 22 methodology and limits. By the time I left the company in 1997, it was mostly used for CISPR 22 testing.

The basic method that I used was to automatically tune the system from 30 MHz to 1 GHz in 10 MHz spans, then let the power of the HP 8566B analyzer run marker peak, then 'next' marker peak in each 10 MHz to find all peaks in each span. This could be done in the ambient mode and EUT mode. The computer would compare the ambient and EUT lists to provide a list of suspects. The suspects were determined by comparing the frequency and amplitude within something like 2x the resolution BW to see if they were the same. The suspect list erred on the ambient side so it would always provide more suspects for the operator to manually discriminate. The SW would also allow the operator to manually optimize any emission not on the list. The SW would then tune each suspect on the analyzer so that the operator could manually maximize the emission or discard it as an ambient. Once it was maximized, the SW would run the correction factors and determine the

delta to the limit and capture the positioner information. At test completion, the SW would sort the emissions by margin to the limit and report the six highest with positioner information for the final report.

The report was a MS word template that had fields for the EUT variables and data. It was a very simple method, but is still effective to this day.

This type of computer/instrument setup spawned many independently developed acquisition programs across the industry known as 'home brew'. Home brew is still used today and is the single largest market share for test software. Much of today's home brew uses LabView.

Test Software Accuracy

The test software accuracy was dependent on raw data plus interpolated correction

Software Validation Relative to EMC Lab Assessments

By Daniel D. Hoolihan

ISO/IEC Standard 17025:2005 – General Requirements for the Competence of Testing and Calibration Laboratories addresses Software Validation in Clause 5.4.7.2.

Clause 5.4.7.2 says the following: When computers or automated equipment are used for the acquisition, processing, recording, reporting, storage or retrieval of test or calibration data, the laboratory shall ensure that:

- a) Computer software developed by the user is documented in sufficient detail and is suitably validated as being adequate for use;
- b) Procedures are established and implemented for protecting the data; such procedures shall include, but not be limited to, integrity and confidentiality of data entry or collection, data storage, data transmission and data processing;
- c) Computers and automated equipment are maintained to ensure proper functioning and are provided with the environmental

and operating conditions necessary to maintain the integrity of test and calibration data.

NOTE: Commercial off-the-shelf software (e.g., word processing, database, and statistical programs) in general use within their designed application range may be considered to be sufficiently validated. However, laboratory software configuration/modifications should be validated as in 5.4.7.2, item a.

Most EMC software developed by EMC equipment vendors are considered to be lab software configurations and should be validated as in 5.4.7.2, item a. This is also true of software developed internal to the EMC lab for its use.

Validation usually consists of manually checking frequency and amplitude for emissions being measured to assure that the manual-check answer and the software answer are the same.

The validation is similar for immunity testing; if the software says it is generating 3 volts per meter in a radiated immunity test then the manual-check with an electromagnetic field sensor should also indicate that the field is at 3 volts per meter.

In rare instances, an EMC Lab may have two software programs for the same measurement process; in that case, the lab can validate the numbers from program #1 by running program #2.

Software programs for measuring electromagnetic emissions and for controlling electromagnetic immunity-test hardware for subjecting equipment-under-test to both radiated and conducted stresses have enabled EMC labs to test products more efficiently and in a more consistent manner. The danger in the software programs comes from assuming that they are operating correctly in every possible scenario. Software validation is the engineer's way of assuring that the software is doing what is programmed to

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factors. The interpolation was validated to any 'auditor' by having them first do a manual calculation on any frequency, then let the automation do the same thing to show that it is correct. No standard says that you have to do a mathematical interpolation if you only have a graph of factors to eyeball. So interpolation by eye was and is usable though the human factor is involved. For some reason the EMC engineer seems to take the harsher side of the line than the customer. Anytime there was external test data on a EUT, we would do an A to B to compare results. If data is in dispute after the math has been validated, the next step is to look at normalized site attenuation data and antenna calibrations. Dan Hoolihan's side bar article provides an auditor's perspective on automated EMC test software when evaluating a lab for accreditation.

instruments of almost any type as long as it can communicate with a computer. Instrument communications have evolved from RS-232 and GPIB to USB and Ethernet. At this time, the communications protocol is not a great improvement in speed or accuracy, but it does reduce the cost of cables and eliminates the need for the GPIB and serial ports.

LabView is powerful but not easy for the typical lab engineer to master and maintain. HP VEE is another instrument centric software program that can be used to automate EMC testing. Like LabView, HP VEE can be used to develop commercial or home brew solutions. Other software is written in C++ which is very powerful, but requires a software engineer to develop and maintain.

EN 55024 immunity calibration or test by hand, much less a 16 point field uniformity test. The leveling algorithms and control injected current while increasing the forward power to a calibrated level is a great benefit of automation.

Benefits of Automating

I am a private pilot and *can* fly hundreds of miles successfully with a compass and a watch. However, with the availability of GPS and autopilots it does not make sense to fly by the old school method just because I can. Technology allows us humans to manage complex, repetitive, mundane, and time consuming tasks so that we can reduce their outputs to our level. Assurance of data integrity is one of the things we love to do, but not at every data point. To answer the question of 'What did we do with all that

It seems that our industry and our bosses had no problem filling in that space and there was never a point that I can remember being bored because I finished a task 75% quicker than it would normally take.

Second Generation Automation

Commercially developed test software is available for almost any test application. Since EMC standards have evolved to include broader frequency ranges and more bandwidths - automation is a requirement! Industry auditors that protect the integrity of the lab affiliations must review software usage as well as lab processes and methodology. Home brew software is at a disadvantage during an audit since the revision control and the developer have to jump through a lot of hoops to show that it is and will be in the future an accurate method of data acquisition. If the person leaves the company someone else has to take over. What was an internal asset that was probably also a hobby now becomes a huge liability.

Commercial software is not scrutinized at the lab level since it is widely accepted and follows industry standards for revision control and development. National Instruments has developed a whole business by providing automation options for almost any industry. Their LabView program can be used as an open platform for controlling

Many new instruments are PC computers with an RF section and can provide a lot of internal automation. The drawback to these instruments is that they do not work well with external equipment such as positioners and when it goes out for calibration it is difficult to replace with another device. They would be adequate for bench testing and pre-compliance work. They are most suited for military testing since the instruments have built in military specified bandwidths/sweep times and allow for inclusion of correction factors.

Instrument vendors have developed software to take full advantage of their products. This is a good option if the lab is going to only use that vendor's equipment and has replacements available when calibration time comes around. Other equipment can be used with optional drivers if available.

Immunity/Susceptibility Testing

Immunity/susceptibility testing is even more demanding in respect to the test process. It is nearly impossible to do an time we saved'? It seems that our industry and our bosses had no problem filling in that space and there was never a point that I can remember being bored because I finished a task 75% quicker than it would normally take. The benefit of automation is throughput and data integrity. Time saved always seems to take care of itself!

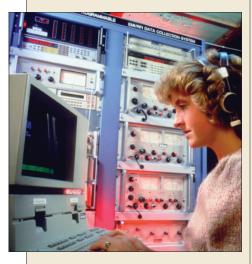
Future Outlook of EMC Test Automation

It seems that standards committees are always developing more rigorous methods for testing systems to be compatible with the electromagnetic environment (EME). Since the EME is likely to become more occupied with intentional and unintentional sources, the requirements to measure and control them will need to change as well. Test methods must adapt to emulate the environment. We are still using a quasi-peak measurement that was developed to quantify the annoyance of interference on an AM radio. Now we need to be able to coexist with impulsive sources that are common to cell phones and other frequency hopping devices. Power systems use switching that can couple over to other

REALITY Engineering

Computer Assisted Testing (CAT) By Kimball Williams

If you are not a 'cat' person, you might not appreciate the full advantages of computer assisted testing. I say 'assisted' because the bulk of the critical elements involved in testing remain in the preparation and setup of each test element. To date no one has found a way to 'automate' that. What has been accomplished is to take the repetitive drudgery out of the detail of equipment adjustment, data reading and data recording. Along with removing this drudgery, computer assisted testing has removed most of the conditions that, in the past, resulted in the introduction of human errors in the process.



My early experimentation with software control of testing began in 1980 with a dual floppy drive desk top computer running Basic programs driving a rack of receivers (see accompanying photo) to make EMC emissions measurements. Previous to this, my technician and I would set up each test, tune each frequency range searching for a 'peak' in the meter (Yes, a meter with a dial and pointer!), write down the reading and proceed to the next range and repeat the process. To perform one scan from 10 KHz to 1 GHz by this method then plot the data consumed an eight hour day.

Our first scan with a single antenna with receivers under computer control produced a completed plot in less than 20 minutes. I recall my technician asking; "What do I do with the rest of my career?" With this quantum leap in test time, the design engineers realized that EMC was no longer just the final test their design had to pass. EMC was now a viable development tool. We began hiring technicians to keep up with the demand for test services.

The increased confidence from having the computer take the data, apply the antenna and cable loss factors, as well as store both the raw and the final data, removed much of our early debates with development engineers about "How confident are we in the data?" By careful use of test 'master' artifacts (comb generators) and the use of statistical process control (SPC) to track system stability, questions about the reliability of the test equipment have almost disappeared completely. The ability to have the system also take data and place it into a final report ensures that nothing is inadvertently altered or changed while it is being 'handled' by humans.

However, in my opinion, the greatest advantage with a well implemented computer assisted test system is the ability to free up the test technician to act as an intelligent pair of eyes, watching the test as it progresses and asking; "Do I believe this?" With EMC testing, more than any other, there is so much that can happen to fool us into believing that a computer drawn data chart 'must be right' when there is something fundamentally not right about the test. Our only defense against this is the computer between our ears, and a good sense of skepticism. A well developed computer aided test control system provides that freedom of action.

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devices via capacitive and inductive paths that will radiate above the 'conducted' frequency range but may meet the 'radiated' range limits and sensitive electronics need to be able to work in proximity to them.

This would certainly require new detection circuits similar to the demod circuits of the wireless electronics we use. Test frequency ranges and limit lines will also change. The automation will have to use multiple testing or multiple detection during the same test in order to make it feasible.

I do not think the manufacturers of the measurement instruments should design their internal computers for automation but more for signal processing. Automation software will have to adapt to the instrument capabilities and focus on control and data reduction so that us humans can interpret and communicate the complex data that the instruments will provide.

Interpreting and communicating the data means that we can display the data in terms that will indicate its compatibility to the EME. Test reports are required by standards to have a lot of information in them, but the end customer of the report typically only looks at the graphs, then the tables. So the graphs and tables will need to be very informative and relevant. IN

(the author)

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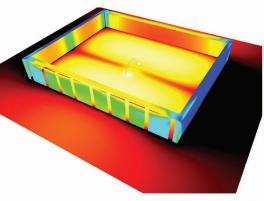


desktop and enterprise systems. In 2005, Joe took a detour to the Department of Defense world working for Raytheon in Sudbury, Massachusetts where he was a design consultant with MIT's Draper Labs. Longing for the heat of Texas he moved back to Austin to work with Motion Computing and then at ETS-Lindgren in his present position as an EMC engineer managing and supporting TILE! EMC test software, including organization of the annual TILE! Users Group meeting. This year's meeting will be held on August 17 in Long Beach, California during the IEEE EMC Symposium. Joe is the inventor of two EMC related patents. He may be reached at joe.tannehill@ets-lindgren.com.



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Days 1 and 2: FCC, Canada and the EU

- FCC rules and regulations overview
- TCB applications and certifications
- FCC submissions process
- LTE, WiMAX, 3GPP
- Modular Approvals and integration of modules
- MIMO and Co-location of transmitter devices
- RF Exposure (SAR & MPE)
- FCC KDB and PBA process

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Our guest lecturers are from ACB, Inc.,

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Dennis Ward is senior applications examiner and Technical

for over 30 years. He has worked as Director of Laboratories

Dan Crowder is Elite's Certification Department Supervisor

involved in standards development including participation on

ANSI committees. He is a member of the TCB Council, IEEE

Director for ACB, Inc. in the US and has been involved in many aspects of EMC, wireless and product conformance

and has consulted on numerous products for world-wide approval, including cellular, 3G, Wi-Fi, Spread Spectrum,

Digital Transmission Systems, Wireless Access Points.

and FCC/CE Mark Team Leader. His specialized area of knowledge includes transmitter certification and testing for

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Marking and international compliance regulations. He is

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Bill Holz has 25 years of experience in international

R&TTECA Updates

Day 3: International Approvals

- Overview of Global Regulatory Requirements
- Telecom/Radio/Wireless
- Product Safety & EMC Summary
- Country-Specific Requirements
- BRIC Countries (Brazil, Russia, India, China, Korea)
- Japan Approvals
- Requirements for Asia Pacific Countries
- · Additional Global Markets

COURSE OUTLINE

Tuesday September 20 (FCC)

8:00 am Registration

8:30 am Introduction and overview of course

FCC Technical Rules FCC TCB Applications

Noon: Lunch

1:00 pm FCC Modular Approvals

FCC Practices and Practicalities

TCB Council Training Permissive changes Questions and answers

5:00 pm End

Wednesday, September 21 (FCC, IC and CE)

8:30 am FCC RF hazards

RF Exposure Requirements FCC Submissions and KDBs

Industry Canada Certification requirements

Noon: Lunch

1:00pm Canada and the US

IC Modular approvals & Permissive Changes

R&TTE Compliance and CE Marking

ECANB and R&TTECA Ouestions and answers

5:00 pm End

Thursday, September 22 (International Approvals)

8:30 am Overview

9:00 am Eastern Bloc and South American

The BRIC Countries Brazil and South America Russia and the Eastern Block India and the Southeast Asia

Noon: Lunch

1:00 pm Asia China, Taiwan, Korea, Japan

Emerging Markets
Question and Answers

5:00 pm End

regulatory services. He joined TÜVRheinland's International Approvals division in 2008. Holz is considered one of the foremost experts in the rules and pitfalls of navigating complex international regulatory procedures.

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You'll have the rare opportunity to meet two well known experts in the fields of electromagnetic compatibility and signal integrity - Henry Ott and Howard Johnson, both gifted and experienced educators.



MR. HENRY OTT

will be chairing and presenting in the Tutorial Session on the Fundamentals of EMC. Mr. Ott is considered by many to be one of the nation's leading EMC educators, and has over 40 years experience in the field of EMC. He is the author of the popular book **Electromagnetic Compatibility** Engineering.



DR. HOWARD JOHNSON

will be chairing and presenting in a Special Session on signal integrity titled High-Speed Connectors. Dr. Johnson is a foremost authority on signal integrity, and has over 30 years of experience. He is the author of the popular book High-Speed Digital Design: A Handbook of Black Magic.

Join these engaging and informative authors and speakers at EMC 2011 in Long Beach. Register to attend their sessions. Purchase their books and attend a book signing with the authors.

(chairman's welcome)

Dear EMC Community,

You are cordially invited to take part in the IEEE EMC Society's International Symposium on Electromagnetic Compatibility (ISEMC) in Long Beach, California this August. We have a beautiful location right in downtown Long Beach at the Long Beach Convention and Entertainment Center. Long Beach is located at the southern end of Los Angeles county, and boasts weather that cannot be beat. As it is said, "it never rains in southern California"!

The treasure of 2011 ISEMC is the Technical Program. We have planned a diverse range of technical sessions, meetings, experiments, demonstrations, professional development, and society awards. We are pleased to be offering some Special Sessions on EMC in Space, co-chaired by Ray Perez and Jim Lukash. Global EMC University is back again, now in its fifth year. We have a wide range of Workshops and Tutorials offering a wealth of information on basic EMC, measurements and testing, reverberation chambers, modeling, electronic vehicles and transportation, standards, and more. This year, our Visual Presentations of the Poster Papers will be located in the foyer outside of the meeting rooms. Meetings with the authors will have a dedicated time not conflicting with paper presentations

We have a rare opportunity this year to meet two well known experts in the field who are both gifted and experienced educators. Mr. Henry Ott will be chairing the Tutorial Session on the Fundamentals of EMC, and Dr. Howard Johnson will be chairing a Special Session on Signal Integrity. Henry Ott is considered by many to be the nation's leading EMC educator, and has over 40 years experience in the field of EMC. Howard Johnson is a foremost authority on signal integrity, and has over 30 years of experience. He is also an engaging and informative author and speaker.

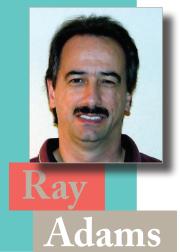
For our companions, we have something different this year – a raffle! – everything from lovely jewelry to local artist items to cuddly animals! For every tour purchased, 5 free tickets will be given and, to everyone registered for the Companion Program, 10 free raffle tickets will be given. The Companion Program will feature a breakfast every morning in the Companion Suite, and spouses will again be invited to join their registered companions for breakfast.

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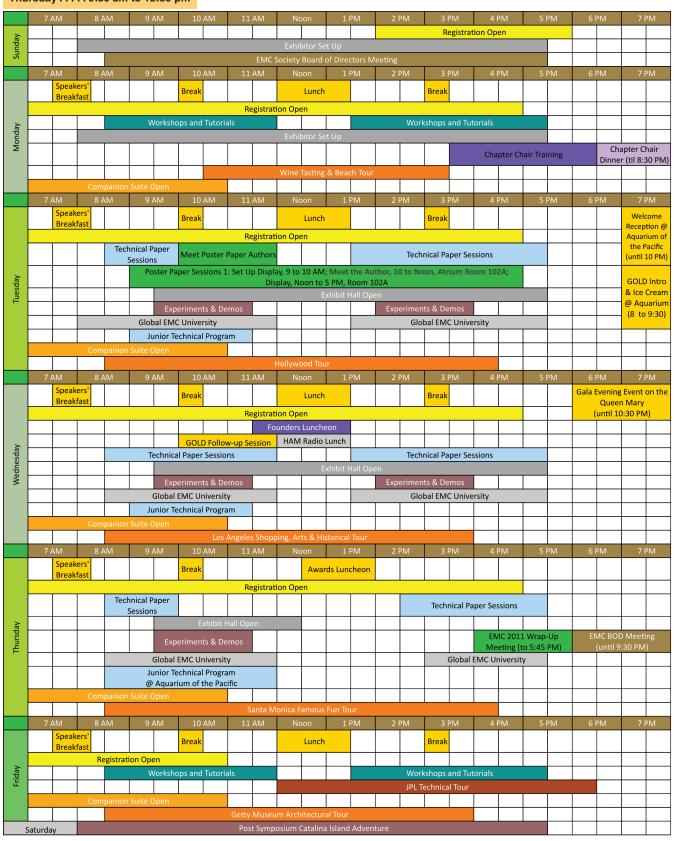




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Tuesday 9:30 am to 5:30 pm Wednesday . . . 9:30 am to 5:30 pm Thursday 9:30 am to 12:30 pm

(Symposium-at-a-Glance)



(Technical Program Overview)

Workshops and Tutorials

provide an opportunity to learn the basics in EMC from the experts in industry and academia.

Workshops provide an interactive format to share the subject topic with the workshop facilitator. The EMC areas to be covered include the popular series on introduction to EMC to contemporary industry topics facilitated by the EMC Society Technical Committees, Standards Working Groups and others.

Tutorials are set up in a classroom format with the lecturer providing instruction on their area of expertise.

Join these engaging and informative authors and speakers. Register to attend their sessions:

Mr. Henry Ott - will be chairing and presenting in the Tutorial Session on the Fundamentals of EMC on Monday, August 15th.

Dr. Howard Johnson - will be chairing and presenting in a Special Session on signal integrity titled High-Speed Connectors on Wednesday, August 17th.

Monday, August 15

8:30 AM - Noon

- MO-AM-1 Fundamentals of EMC
- MO-AM-2 Application of Reverberation Chambers
- MO-AM-3 Low Frequency EMC including Power Quality in Relation to Renewables, Energy Efficient Devices, Electrical Vehicles and Smart Grid
- MO-AM-4 Addition of ESD and Lightning Requirements and Testing to MIL-STD-461
- MO-AM-5 Introduction to EMI Modeling Techniques

1:30 - 5:30 PM

- MO-PM-1 Fundamentals of EMC
- MO-PM-2 EMC Aspects of Smart Grid
- MO-PM-3 Hot Topics in EMC Measurements: Site validation, Time Domain and Antenna Characterization
- MO-PM-4 How to Break Down Complex Systems Into Realistic, Solvable and Accurate Models
- MO-PM-5 Fundamentals of Signal Integrity

Friday, August 19

8:30 AM - Noon

- FR-AM-1 **EMC Leadership Training**
- Transportation System EMC • FR-AM-2
- FR-AM-3 **Basic EMC Measurements**
- FR-AM-4 Advanced Antenna and Probe Topics
- FR-AM-5 **EMC** and Wireless Devices

1:30 - 5:30 PM

- FR−PM−1 EMC Consultant's Toolkit
- FR-PM-2 Transportation System EMC
- FR-PM-3 Relationships between Transfer Impedance and Shielding Effectiveness
- FR-PM-4 **Predicting Cosite Interference**

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Technical Papers

are provided on Tuesday to Thursday during multiple concurrent sessions.

The papers represent the latest in technology as presented by industry, government and academia. All papers have been peer reviewed and accepted by the EMC Society's Technical Committees. The Technical Papers will be given in two formats: oral presentation sessions and poster paper sessions. Read below for the details.

The Presentation of Technical Papers and Special Sessions are aligned according to technical topic areas associated with the IEEE EMC Society Technical Committees. The Presentation of Papers Sessions schedule is developed in mid-May. Please check www.emc2011.org for updates.

Presentation of Papers Sessions

The Presentation of Papers Session is an oral briefing with charts on a digital projector of the speaker's technical paper in a theatre style room setup. We have 185 papers being accepted by the committee. The Session Chair will moderate the meeting between speaker presentations, and questions and answers with the attendees and speakers.

Special Sessions (Invited Papers)

are presented on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday.

These Special Sessions may tend to be more of a tutorial nature covering all the basics or updates of that area. The final Special Sessions schedule is developed in mid-May. Please check www.emc2011.org for updates.

Tuesday, August 16

8:30 AM - Noon

- TU-AM-1 Antennas 1
- TU-AM-2 Signal Integrity 1
- TU-AM-3 EBG Technologies and IC
- TU-AM-4 Electrostatic Discharge 1
- TU-AM-5 Nanotechnology and Advanced Materials

1:30 - 5:30 PM

- TU-PM-1 Antennas 2
- TU-PM-2 Signal Integrity 2
- TU-PM-3 PCB and Filters
- TU-PM-4 Cavities and Enclosures
- TU-PM-5 Special Session: Solving Large EM Problems
- TU-PM-6 Special Session: EMC in Space

Wednesday, August 17 8:30 AM – Noon

- WED-AM-1 Emissions 1
- WED-AM-2 Signal Integrity 3
- WED-AM-3 Shielding Theory
- WED-AM-4 Topics in HPEM
- WED-AM-5 Cables and Coupling

1:30 - 5:30 PM

- WED-PM-1Emissions 2
- WED-PM-2Signal Integrity 4
- WED-PM-3 Electromagnetics
- WED-PM-4 Transients and Material Characterizations
- WED-PM-5 Special Session:
 Signal Integrity for High Speed
 Connectors
- WED-PM-6 Special Session: EMC in Space
- THU-AM-6 Special Session: EMC in Space

Thursday, August 18 8:30 AM - Noon

- THU-AM-1 Reverberation
- THU-AM-2 Electromagnetic Band Gap Filters
- THU-AM-3 EMC in Circuits and Devices
- THU-AM-4 Electrostatic Discharge 2
- THU-AM-4 Information Leakage
- THU-AM-5 Special Session: Full Channel Characterization and Link Path Analysis for High-Speed Interconnect
- THU-AM-6 Special Session: EMC in Space

2:30 - 5:30 PM

- THU-PM-1 Immunity
- THU-PM-2 Signal Integrity 5
- THU-PM-3 PCB Simulations
- THU-PM-4 Information Leakage
- THU-PM-5 EMC Environment
- THU-PM-6 EMC Management

(Accomodations)

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Welcome Reception

AT THE AQUARIUM OF THE PACIFIC

Tuesday, August 16th 7:00 PM - 10:00 PM

Join your fellow attendees for a private journey of discovery through the world's largest ocean at the Aquarium of the Pacific in Long Beach, California. Explore our exhibits and discover sunny Southern California and Baja, the frigid waters of the North Pacific, and the colorful reefs of the Tropical Pacific. Come face-to-face with, and even touch, the ocean's ultimate predators in Shark Lagoon. And, hand feed lorikeet birds. With a special evening of fantastic food and amazing exhibits, you will have an experience to last a lifetime!

This event is included in all Full, 5 Day Technical Registrations and Companion Program Registrations. All others may purchase a ticket to the Welcome Reception for \$60 (includes two drink coupons) as an add-on cost to your registration.



The Aquarium is a 10 minute walk from the Convention Center. There is a limited, free, Long Beach Shuttle Service to the Aquarium, every 10 minutes from 9:00 AM to midnight on Passport Bus C, boarding directly in front of the Convention Center.

Gala Evening Event



ON THE OUEEN MARY

Wednesday, August 17th 6:00 PM – 10:00 PM 6:30 PM – 8:00 PM Dinner 5:15 PM – 10:30 PM roundtrip shuttle service, Convention Center to Queen Mary

Step back in time for an elegant evening on the 'High Seas' and experience what travel was like on board an authentic steamship filled with original art deco fixtures that will bring you back to the '30s.

Casting an impressive figure against the Long Beach, California skyline, the Queen Mary offers visitors the chance to experience firsthand one of the world's most renowned and remarkable ocean liners. From the time of her Maiden Voyage in 1936, the Queen Mary was regarded as the only way to travel by the elite of high society, carrying some of the world's most preeminent movie stars, business moguls, politicians, and royalty across the Atlantic. Drafted into service as a troop carrier, the elegant ship was painted grey from top to bottom so she could travel the seas unseen, and was deemed the Grey Ghost due to her camouflage appearance. During World War II she carried over 750,000 soldiers across more than 500,000 miles of ocean and played a significant role in the success of the

Allied Forces. After the war, the Queen Mary was restored to her former glory and reentered passenger service until she was retired to her new home in Southern California in 1967.

Stop for a photo with a Hollywood Star before you make your way to the Bow for a cocktail overlooking the stunning Long Beach Skyline. As you proceed to the stern for dinner, take your time perusing the historic original photos of Hollywood stars, dignitaries, and troops. Spend the rest of the evening enjoying the glorious California sunset, music, and the company of old friends and new acquaintances. Ahhhh...it's the good life!

This event is included in all full 5 day Technical Registrations. All others may purchase a ticket to the Gala for \$95 (includes two drink coupons) as an add-on cost to your registration.

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New for 2011!

IEEE EMC SYMPOSIUM GOLD EVENT

Tuesday, August 16th 8:00 PM - 9:30 PM

The IEEE EMC Society is excited to invite you to the first ever IEEE EMC Symposium Graduates of the Last Decade (GOLD) Event. If you graduated from your first professional degree program within the last ten years, then you are eligible to register for the EMC symposium GOLD Event. The first ten years after graduating from your first professional degree can be very challenging. It is common for young and recent graduates to be searching for employment, planning their professional growth and career development, and changing their life status.

Come and join us for a fun evening where you will learn more about GOLD, have an opportunity to enter in a raffle and take part in an ice cream social following the welcome reception. This is a great opportunity for you to meet other young professionals, exchange contacts, discuss stories of work (and perhaps find out how similar the stories are, no matter where you work) and your hobbies. You will also have the opportunity to mingle with members of the EMC Society Board of Directors. If volunteering is your thing, we have a number of volunteer opportunities in GOLD EMC.

Not enough? Also join us on Wednesday during our first GOLD session where you will hear from some remarkable speakers in the EMC field. I hear they will be offering guidance on how to get ahead at work, how to market yourself and much more. Meanwhile, make our Facebook (GOLDEMC email: GOLDEMC@gmail.com) page one of your favorites and follow us as we bring you to the next event. See you there!

Join K3SJS and W3IA

HAM RADIO LUNCH

Wednesday, August 17th Noon - 1:30 PM

You are invited to the HAM Radio Lunch for an opportunity to share past stories and interesting information. Please join Jo (K3SJS) and Tom (W3IA) Chesworth and Ed Hare from the ARRL. You will be able to buy a lunch inside the convention center for \$12 and bring it to our meeting. We ended up last year with several "talking" ideas. More information to follow.

So we may have a head count and contact information, please call Jo at (814) 466-6559 or email jo@7ms.com.

CHAPTER CHAIR DINNER

Monday, August 15th 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

This Dinner is a chance for the EMC Society Chapter Chairs or their representatives to gather and share what they have been doing for the past year.

FOUNDERS LUNCHEON

Wednesday, August 17th 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM

The Founders Luncheon is open to the founders of the EMC Society, members of the Board of Directors, and students.

Recognition Event

AWARDS LUNCHEON

Thursday, August 18th 12:30 PM - 2:00 PM

The Exhibit Hall will be closed starting at 1:00 PM, and the technical program will be on break during the Awards Luncheon. The Awards Luncheon will be the last formal opportunity to gather and network with family of EMC professionals from acemedia, industry, government, military, and retired. The event will start off with a catered sitdown served meal. Afterwards, the EMC Society will take time to recognize members and non-members for their contribution to the society and professional excellence.

For those with a Full Technical Registration (member, non-member, life members, retired, unemployed or student) the Awards Luncheon is free. All others may purchase a ticket for \$45 to the Awards Luncheon as an add-on cost to your registration.

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Technical Tour

JET PROPULSION LABORATORY (JPL) TECHNICAL TOUR

Friday, August 19th Noon - 6:30 PM

The technical tour begins in the von Karman auditorium where attendees will get an overview / history of JPL and watch the movie Journey to the Planets and Beyond. From there, the visitors will enjoy the von Karman museum, which exhibits models of spacecraft, touch-screen monitors, and items such as meteorites from the comet Vesta and a moon rock. Two facilities that are often visited on a tour of JPL are the Spacecraft Assembly Facility and the Space Flight Operations Facility. The Spacecraft Assembly Facility is where the JPL technicians and engineers assemble the spacecraft. The Spacecraft Assembly Facility is a clean room facility. It is a class 10,000 room, which means per cubic foot there are 10,000 or fewer



dust particles. Technicians and engineers wear "bunny suits" to keep the spacecraft from coming in contact with hair and skin. The Space Flight Operations Facility is where JPL has the Deep Space Network. Developed and managed by JPL, the Deep Space Network monitors radio transmissions to determine the health and precise location of each spacecraft, as well as data from the instruments aboard.

The JPL tour is scheduled for 2 PM on Friday, August 19, 2011. The tour is limited to 80 people at a cost of \$25.00 per person (\$35.00 after July 17, 2011) and is available on a first come basis. The tour length is estimated to be 2.5 hours. Buses will depart the convention center at noon for JPL, so be there on time. Snacks will be provided on the return trip. For more information on JPL, visit their website at www.jpl.nasa.gov. The list of names is required to be provided to JPL three weeks prior to the tour, so register early or you may miss a great tour. Also, everyone is required to show a current photo ID or valid passport to gain entrance to JPL; there will be no exceptions.

PostConference Tour

CATALINA ISLAND ADVENTURE

Saturday, August 20th 8:15 AM - 5:15 PM

Your one-hour boat ride will take you 22 miles across the sea to Catalina. Next, experience one of the island's many exciting and exclusive tours, like the Glass Bottom Boat or Casino Tour! These tours give you an inside look at the island's natural history and beauty, don't forget your camera! Once you've done your activity, head to the boardwalk for a group lunch and then roam the town buying souvenirs and taking in the relaxation island style!

Contact the Tour Manager, Melina Patrick, at (562) 980-7566 (or email Melina@ctc4u.com) to book your tour. Make sure you mention that you are an IEEE Conference Attendee!



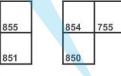
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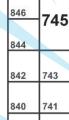
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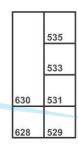


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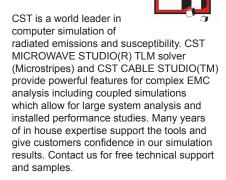
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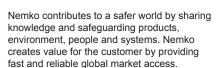
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Recent Changes to **GR-1089-CORE**

Released in May of 2011, GR-1089-CORE Issue 6 Electromagnetic Compatibility (EMC) and Electrical Safety requirements for Network Telecommunications Equipment has undergone a number of technical changes. We look at its substantial modifications and the potential impact on previously certified products.

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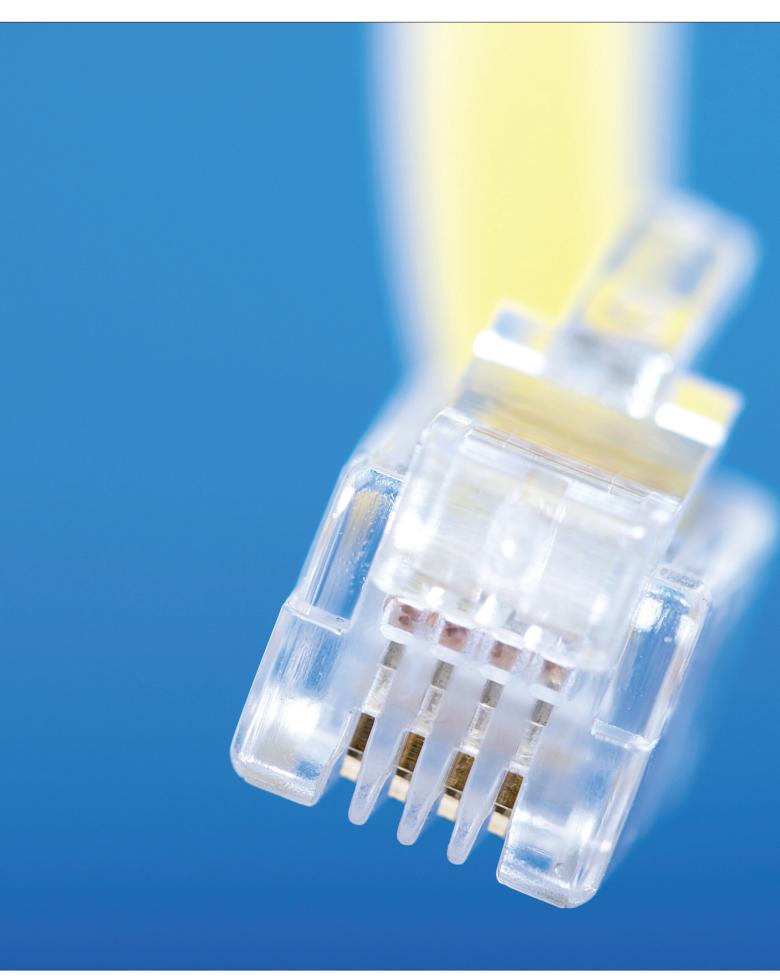
APPLICATION GUIDELINES FOR EQUIPMENT PORTS

Appendix B now defines two additional classifications for type 3 and 5 ports traditionally reserved for ports directly connected to metallic outside plant (OSP) lines. Intra-cell site cable ports directly connected to metallic OSP cables and located only at cell site or other locations that posses tall antennas are now classified as port type 3a/5a. The definition is further expanded by stating that this cable type has limited exposure as it is routed outdoors in relatively short distances, and that AC power fault conditions are not a significant threat. The greatest threat to type 3a/5a ports is due to Ground Potential Rise (GPR).

The second new classification is defined for short reach OSP cables. Cables that

are deployed in short durations less than 500 feet due to functional design constraints are now classified as port type 3b/5b. Due to the short routing distances, type 3b/5b ports also have limited exposure to lighting and power fault conditions, and the greatest threat is posed mostly by near strike lightning.

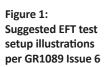
Type 4 ports, which are traditionally reserved for customer premise or non-central office intra-building environments, now includes port type 4a for customer-side Optical Network Terminals (ONT's) and Intelligent Network Interface Devices (iNID's). These ports do not connect to metallic OSP lines and are intended to electrically or optically isolate ports from the network. Plain Old Telephone Service (POTS), Ethernet, and coaxial lines fall under port type 4a. However, coax lines are still tested as type 4 ports.

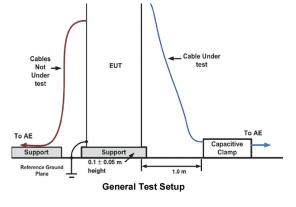


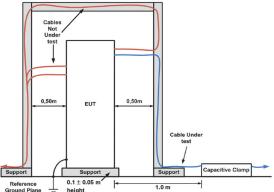
Type 8 ports, or DC power ports, includes two additional classifications. DC power routed to antennas or equipment located at the top of antennas is now classified as port type 8a. Type 8b covers DC power ports located in Intra-cell site environments. The test application chart for equipment ports located in GR-1089-CORE Appendix B has been updated to include these new port type classifications.

and results shall be deemed valid even where discharges are not observed. Additionally, Section 2.1.4.1 Test Methods Normal Operation states that if service effecting responses occur during testing, testing shall be repeated with longer intervals between discharges as referenced in the latest EN 61000-4-2 Version 2008 Test Standard.

Under the Electrical Fast Transients (EFT) Test Methods and Procedures Section, a statement has been added by test similarity, and will require conformance to the higher test level if they are intending to sell products in Europe. Another subtle difference noticed between the IEC test method and GR-1089 is the proposed test setup. Two illustrations have been included in issue 6 to address cable dressing during the test as shown in Figure 1. In these drawings, GR1089 depicts the coupling clamp positioned 1 meter from the EUT regardless of how long the cable under test is. This methodology is suggested by the standard of testing







Non-conductive Cable Support Setup

ELECTROSTATIC DISCHARGE AND ELECTRICAL FAST TRANSIENTS

Section 2 continues to define the Electrostatic Discharge (ESD) and Electrical Fast Transient (EFT) requirements for network telecommunications equipment. A few minor technical changes were observed regarding ESD testing. The first was found under Requirement R2-2 which provides details regarding test methodology on performing contact discharge tests to nonconductive surfaces. R2-2 clarifies when performing contact discharge tests to non-conductive surfaces that produce arc discharges to surrounding conductive surfaces is not considered a valid test. Testing shall be repeated using air discharges at these locations,

that permits the use of special software and firmware if it can be demonstrated that the EUT is configured and operated in a manner which is consistent with normal operation. This section has also been updated with special instructions regarding power ports, and using the capacitive coupling clamp versus the CDN method described in the latest version of IEC 61000-4-4. However, the CDN method is considered equivalent.

The EFT test levels, repetition rate, burst rate and burst period remains unchanged, which are consistent with IEC 300-386. However, GR-1089 still specifies the test levels for outside plant and central office intra-building ports (types 1 and 2) at 250 volts where EN 300-386 tests at 500 volts. The difference in screening levels for EFT prevents a product manufacturer from claiming CE mark compliance

for each, but tends to deviate from the referenced IEC standard. IEC 61000-4-4 states that unless specified by the product manufacturer, the length of cable between the EUT and the coupling clamp shall be 0.5 m, ±.05 m. The IEC's general laboratory test setup for EFT shown in Figure 2 suggests that for high entry or top fed ports, the coupling clamp shall be elevated such that no greater than one meter separation between the clamp the EUT exists. This requires installing an elevated groundplane and coupling clamp near the top of the cabinet. This may lead to incompatibility issues between GR and IEC if not addressed properly. For products that are being certified to EN 300-386 and GR-1089 I6 concurrently, it is recommended that the IEC method be observed as intended.



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Another major change observed in Issue 6 is that Section 3.2.1.3 Radiated Magnetic Field Emissions Requirement has been removed.

RADIATED EMISSIONS

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There has been a major change to the GR-1089 radiated emissions electric field requirements in Issue 6. R3-2[8] has been revised to state that radiated emissions electric field testing is performed from 30 MHz to 10 GHz intentional and unintentional radiators versus the previous 10 kHz to 10 GHz requirement in GR1089 Issue 5. However, the 3 and 10 meter limit levels have not changed for this new limited test range. The validity of the 10 kHz to 30 MHz test range has been in question for many years due to a number of reasons ranging from near field effects, correlation issues between an open area test site and shielded anechoic chambers and, more importantly, the actual need to measure radiated fields in this range. Emissions contributions in this frequency range are generally cable related and not emitted from the equipment enclosure. As GR-1089-CORE already quantifies conducted emissions from each cable type in this range, the elimination of this test frequency range is expected to be of limited risk.

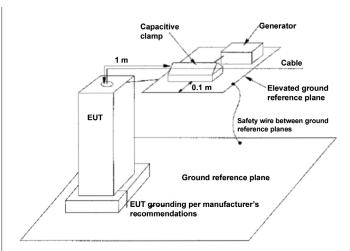


Figure 2: **General laboratory** EFT test setup per IEC 61000-4-4

RADIATED MAGNETIC **EMISSIONS**

Another major change observed in Issue 6 is that Section 3.2.1.3 Radiated Magnetic Field Emissions Requirement has been removed. The radiated magnetic emissions test was exclusive to GR-1089-CORE and was not an EN 300-386 OR FCC requirement. Therefore, this test requirement deletion has no impact on consolidated product certification. Traditionally, the radiated magnetic emissions limit was simply based on the conversion from electric field to magnetic field using the decibel equivalent of 377 ohms free space impedance of a plane wave, or -51.5 dB. These measurements were performed in two orthogonal axes and were useful in determining the magnetic component of the product emissions, but the results were of little use. Typically, if the product met the radiated electric field requirement they would meet the magnetic field requirement by default. Therefore, removal of this test requirement is considered to be of low risk to future product certification.

CONDUCTED EMISSIONS

Exclusive conducted emissions tests for analog voiceband leads previously, specified in GR-1089-CORE Issue 5 (Section 3.2.3.2), and conducted emissions for telecommunication leads (Section 3.2.3.3) have also been removed. However, they have been combined under the conducted emissions requirements for telecommunication ports in Issue 6. As similarly stated in Issue 5, all telecom ports require conducted current emissions measurements from 10 kHz to 30 MHz.

RF IMMUNITY

In regard to RF immunity testing, Table 3-11 Frequencies of Key Interest has been updated. Television channel 2 (55.25 MHz), channel 11 (199.25 MHz), and channel 52 (699.25 MHz) have been excluded. However, additions to police/fire radio (481, 816, and 4965 MHz) have been added. Cell phone frequencies have been changed from 825 MHz to include 701, 711, 713, 781,

787.5, 791, 805.5, 1732, and 2310 MHz. PCS now includes 914 MHz in addition to 1800 MHz. In summary, GR1089 Issue 6 has specified 26 key frequencies versus 18 specified in Issue 5.

LIGHTNING AND AC POWER FAULT

Section 4 has undergone a variety of technical and formatting updates, including a new table (Table 4-2) which lists surge applicability based on port type. The table also provides a test surge description, test conditions, connections, and application information. The 23 newly listed surges appears daunting in size at first glance, but this is a consolidation of all first level lightning criteria into one table for quick and easy reference.

INTRA-BUILDING LIGHTNING

In regard to the first level intra-building lightning test criteria, GR-1089 now permits that either one surge can be applied to 3 samples or 5 five surges applied to one sample to ease the burden on vendors. However, using extended interval times between surges may be required when testing only one sample. R4-7 [233] states that all Ethernet ports shall be tested. However, type 2 Ethernet ports shall only be subjected to longitudinal (differential) surges. The use of either the 2/10 microsecond or the 1.2/50 microsecond waveform with stress levels between 800 and 1500 volts is still permitted.

GR-1089 has defined the double exponential impulse waveform and how to characterize its rising edge and

duration times in Appendix A. This was traditionally performed between 10% and 90% of the rising edge, and between 0% of the rising edge and 50% of the falling edge for establishing the duration for both voltage and current waveforms as depicted in Figure 3. This holds true for most of the waveforms required in this new issue except for the 1.2 μ s / 50 μ s and the 10 μ s / 700 μ s combination waveforms, which only use this for current measurements. For the voltage component of these waveforms, they are characterized using 30% to 90% of the rising edge exclusively as shown in Figure 3. This methodology aligns with IEC 61000-4-5 as well as IEC 60060-1.

FIRST LEVEL SURGES

There have been several changes to the first level surge test requirements as follows:

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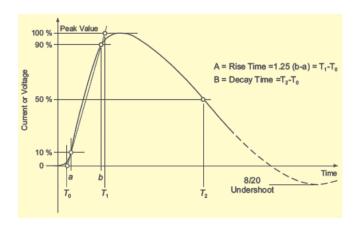


Figure 3: Double exponential voltage and current waveform measurements

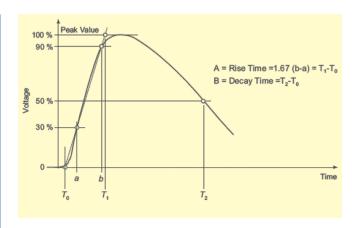


Figure 4: Voltage measure-ments for the 1.2/50 μ s, and 10/700 μ s double exponential waveforms

Surge 3 "Gas tube interaction test applicable for types 1, 3, 3b, 5b, and 5 ports" requires 4000V 10/700us V 5/310us A (ITU-T K.44 generator circuit schematic provided).

Surge 4 "Inductive kick test for OSP interfaces applicable for port types 1, 3, and 5.(???) 2500V 500 A 2/10us" is not required for ports solely intended for installation in GR487 or GR950 style enclosures. However, product labeling is required when the exclusion of Surge 4 is observed.

Surge 7 "High lightning exposure test for remote OSP interfaces" requires the 10/250 uS waveform be between 400V 50 A and 4kV 500 A.

CELL SITE INTER-STRUCTURE

Section 4.6.1.3 is a new test procedure which describes the withstand criteria for ports located within a cell site interstructure. This section is intended for port interfaces which are deployed between separate structures, cabinets,

buildings, and H frames within a cell site to mitigate potential GPR damage. Two separate test options are provided:

Option A: Isolation test – 1500 V AC 50/60 Hz 60 seconds

- 2120 VDC 60 seconds

- 10 2400V spikes 1.2/50 us

Option B: Surge Test

Types 3a, 5a or 8b ports

3a, 5 a ports are subjected to select intrabuilding surge tests (8 – 14.1)

3a, 52 and 8b ports are also subjected to 2.5 kV 5kA longitudinal surge (23 per Table 4-2).

SECOND LEVEL LIGHTNING

In regard to the second level lightning surge criteria defined in Section 4.6.3, Table 4-3 now combines port type 1,3, and 5 with type 7 requirements into one table. However, there have been no

technical requirement changes to these port types.

FIRST LEVEL AC POWER FAULT

Within the first level AC power fault criteria defined in Section 4.6.4, Table 4-4 has removed Tests 8 and 9 and tailored many of the test conditions. For the most part, the levels are slightly less severe than in GR1089 Issue 5.

SECOND LEVEL AC POWER FAULT

A number of changes to the second level power fault test levels are shown in Table 4-5. The most substantial is that the maximum test voltage level has been limited to 425 V versus 600 V, but can be run at 600 V with manufacturer's approval. Current remains at the same level as specified.

ENCLOSURES SUITABLE FOR FUSING

GR-1089 Issue 6 has revised the requirements for equipment enclosures suitable for fusing. Requirement R4-55 [196] per GR0189 Issue 5 has been changed to R4-51 [196], which now states enclosures shall not contain vents or openings that would allow for ejection of molten metal, flames, or similar hazards when internal fusing occurs. No ventilation or opening were permitted in Issue 5.

R4-57 [198] per GR1089 Issue 5 requirement, which stated that the enclosure shall be capable of withstanding a 12-gauge shotgun blast without penetration of the enclosure wall by any pellets, has been removed.

SECTION 9 BONDING AND GROUNDING

The most substantial change made in Section 9 of GR-1089 Issue 6 was that the embedded power sources defined rating has been reduced from >20 VA to >15 VA. This change has been reflected throughout the section, including short circuit testing which now states that a power source less than or equal to 15 VA need not be tested for short circuits. This has changed from 20 VA in issue 5. In addition, short circuit testing also states that all equipment that has been listed by an NRTL through standards such as UL60950 or UL1459 need not be tested for short circuits. This has changed from discrete equipment assemblies only as stated in Issue 5.

SECTION 10 DC POWER PORT CRITERIA

Section 10 has been updated to reference the new ATIS 0600315 test standard (formerly ANSI T1.315). The new ATIS document specifies that all transient voltage measurements are now specified to be made between 10% and 90% of the corresponding rising or falling edge of the waveform, which aligns with the IEC 61000-4-5 waveform characterization method.

In most cases, these transients are performed with a DC coupled audio amplifier while supplying the EUT with full load power. To verify this prior to testing, ATIS has provided 4 optional waveform verification methods which range from (1) open circuit, (2) with EUT in circuit, (3) resistive/capacitive load in circuit, or (4) purely resistive load in circuit. Although the fast rise

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and fall times are easiest to meet in an open circuit condition, additional tests are required to verify impulse current (100 amperes), as well as the amplifier's slew rate in accordance with IEC-61000-4-11. However, any of the four optional verification methods are acceptable.

Another subtle change that was noticed was the ATIS 0600315 under voltage transient shown in Figure 5. The waveform's fall time was relaxed to ≤ 12 microseconds from the 10 microseconds previously required by ANSI T1.315.

Among these changes, the noise returned by network equipment measurement specified by ATIS 0600315.2007 is no longer required per GR-1089 Issue 6. The wide band noise frequency test is still required by GR-1089, but with a relaxed limit requirement. This test measures the electrical noise (Vc) fed back from telecommunications equipment within any 3 kHz band ranging from 10 kHz to 20 MHz. For -48 VDC powered equipment, the limit (expressed in mV rms) 1.0 * square root of Ic (rated input current) or 1 ampere, whichever is greater, was changed to state that Ic or 10 amperes is now the maximum input current, whichever is greater. This change can substantially relax the wideband noise frequency emissions requirement for equipment operating at marginal loads.

There has also been a slight modification to the measurement circuit provided in ATIS 0600315 shown in Figure 6. The illustration provided in GR-1089-CORE Issue 6 (shown in Figure 7) introduces a high impedance transducer between the measurement equipment and the measurement capacitors to normalize the circuit impedance to at least 600 ohms. Notes provided in this revised section also state the capacitors are only used for voltage isolation and can be excluded if a differential probe is used.

In regard to the noise immunity test levels in Section 10, they have not changed for -48 VDC equipment except that voice frequency noise immunity is only reserved for products that include analog voice band ports.

WIRELESS PRODUCTS **PERFORMANCE** REQUIREMENTS

Appendix F has been added in Issue 6 to address the minimum performance parameters for wireless products that must be monitored during immunity testing.

Output RF Power

In general terms, the forward power transmit levels shall remain within the manufacturers specified levels and tolerances, or ± 1 dB.

• Frequency

The transmit frequency and bandwidths shall remain within FCC tolerable limits during and following testing.

Integrity

The transmitted modulated signal shall not lose any of its baseband information. Output power can be

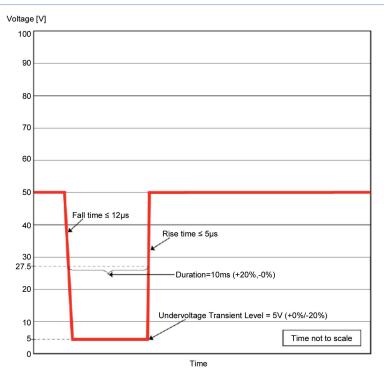
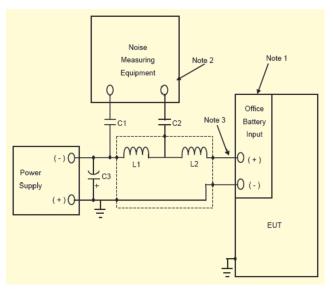
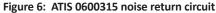


Figure 5: ATIS 0600315 under voltage transient

The wide band noise frequency test is still required by GR-1089, but with a relaxed limit requirement.





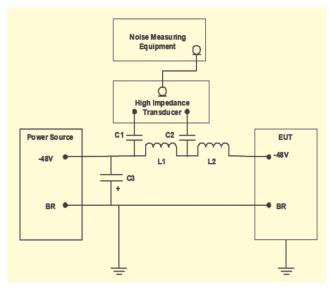


Figure 7: GR-1089-CORE Issue 6 noise return circuit

sampled and demodulated to monitor performance.

 Data error rate
 Data error shall be within the manufacturer's stated tolerance, not

to exceed 1 %.

In summary, there have been a variety of technical changes which are intended to improve the electromagnetic and electrical safety certification process of network telecommunication equipment. However, these changes are still being evaluated by the RBOCs and have not yet been officially approved. For products intended to be sold to Verizon, Quest, and AT&T, GR1089 Issue 5 shall continue to be utilized until further notice.

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EMI Risk Analysis

The reliability of electronic technologies (including the software and firmware that runs on them) can become critical when the consequences of errors, malfunctions, or other types of failure include significant financial loss, mission loss, or harm to people or property (i.e. functional safety).

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lectromagnetic interference (EMI) can be a cause of unreliability in ✓all electronic technologies [1], so must be taken into account when the risks caused by malfunctioning electronics are to be controlled.

Most EMC engineers believe that the normal EMC tests do a good job of ensuring reliable operation, and indeed they do make it possible to achieve normal availability (uptime) requirements. However, the levels of acceptable risk in safety-related applications are generally three or more orders of magnitude more demanding, and applications where (for example) mission or financial risks are critical can be as demanding as safety-related applications, sometimes more so.

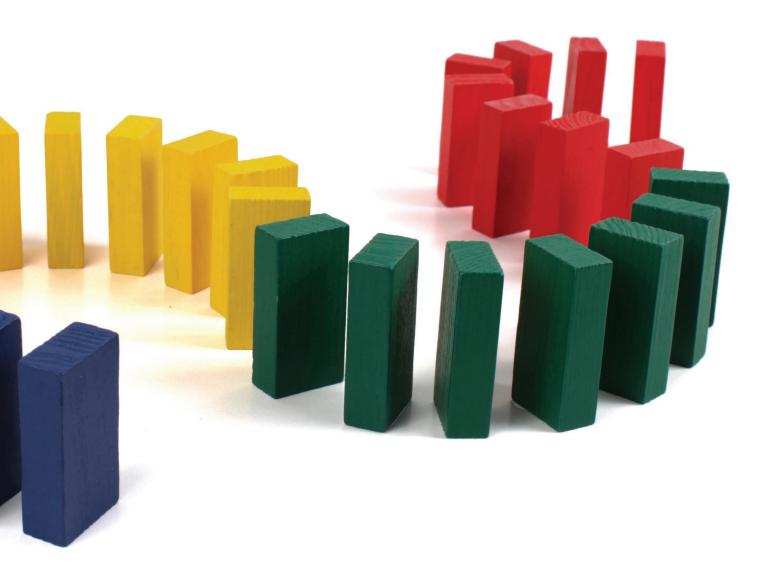
Unfortunately, most functional safety engineers leave all considerations of EMI to EMC engineers, with the result that – at the time of writing – most major safety-related projects do little more to control EMI than insure that the items of equipment used pass when tested to the relevant immunity test standards. As a result, safety risks due to EMI are not yet being effectively controlled.

The challenge for engineers is to demonstrate adequate confidence in the reliability of their designs in the operational electromagnetic environment (EME).

The solution [2] is to use well-proven EMC design techniques plus risk assessment that shows the overall design achieves acceptable risk levels, all verified and validated by a variety of techniques (including EMC testing).

This article only addresses the issue of how to take EMI into account when performing a Risk Analysis.





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THE NATURE OF THE **PROBLEM**

"High reliability", "mission-critical", "safety-critical", or security applications might need to have a meantime to failure (MTTF) of more than 100,000 years (corresponding to Safety Integrity Level 4 (SIL4) in IEC 61508 [3], see Figures 1 and 2).

Mass-produced products (e.g. automobiles, domestic appliances, etc.) also require very low levels of safety risk because of the very large numbers of people using them on average at any one time.

It is usually very difficult to determine whether a given undesirable incident was caused by EMI, and the resulting lack of incidents officially attributed to EMI has led some people to feel that current EMI testing regimes must therefore be sufficient for any application. Indeed, it is commonplace to read words such as "....passes all contractual and regulatory EMC tests and is therefore totally immune to all EMI."

However, as Ron Brewer says in [4]: "... there is no way by testing to duplicate all the possible combinations of frequencies, amplitudes, modulation waveforms, spatial distributions, and relative timing of the many simultaneous interfering signals that an operating system may encounter. As a result, it's going to fail."

Prof. Nancy Leveson of MIT says, in [5]: "We no longer have the luxury of carefully testing systems and designs to understand all the potential behaviors and risks before commercial or scientific use."

The IET [6] states: "Computer systems lack continuous behavior so that, in general, a successful set of tests provides little or no information about how the system would behave in circumstances that differ, even slightly, from the test conditions."

Finally, Boyer et al [7] say: "Although electronic components must pass a set of EMC tests to (help) ensure safe operations, the evolution of EMC over time is not characterized and cannot be accurately forecast." This is one of the many reasons why any EMC test plan that has an affordable cost and duration is unlikely to be able to demonstrate confidence in achieving better than 90% reliability. The reasons for this are given in [4], [8], [9], section 0.7 of [10], and [11].

Since the confidence levels that are needed for functional safety compliance (for example) are a minimum of 90% for SIL1 in [3], 99% for SIL2, 99.9% for SIL3 and 99.99% for SIL4, it is clear that more work needs to be done to be able

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to demonstrate compliance with [3] and similar functional safety standards (e.g. [12] [13] and others such as IEC 61511 and IEC 62061), as regards the effects of EMI on risks.

The best solution at the time of writing is to use well-proven EMC design techniques to reduce risks, and to verify and validate them using a number of different methods, including immunity testing. Risk assessment is a vital part of such an approach, as required by [3]. Unfortunately, neither the IEC's basic

publication on Functional Safety [3], nor the basic IEC publication on "EMC for Functional Safety" [2], describe how to take EMI into account during risk assessment; although [10] - a practical guide based on [2] - does cover this.

This article is concerned with how to include EMI issues as part of a risk assessment (whether the risks are safety or other, e.g. financial), and is based on [10] and a paper I presented in 2010 [14]. I have also presented papers on assessing lifetime electromagnetic, physical and climatic environments [15], appropriate EMC design techniques [16], and verification and validation methods (including testing) [17].

As Prof. Shuichi Nitta says in [18]: "The development of EMC Technology taking account of systems safety is demanded to make social life stable." I hope this article makes a contribution to this essential work, but there is much more vet to be done!

RISK ASSESSMENT

Most readers of IN Compliance will be very familiar with EMC, but perhaps not (yet) with Functional Safety, so a brief introduction to hazards and risks is probably a good idea.

What are "hazards" and "risks"?

A HAZARD is anything with potential to do HARM, and the hazard level is derived from the type of harm and its severity. For example, a bladed machine can cause harm by cutting skin, flesh, or even bone. We say it has a cutting hazard and define its severity as being either minor, serious, or deadly (other classifications are possible) depending on the maximum depth of cut and the respective parts of the anatomy.

A hazard has a probability of occurrence. The RISK is the product of the hazard level, its probability of

occurrence, and a factor that takes into account the observation that, when they occur, not all hazards result in the same harm; for example if there is the possibility of avoidance or limitation. (Risk level = {Hazard level} × {Probability of the hazard occurring} × {Possibility of hazard avoidance or limitation}).

Other multiplying factors can also be applied, and often are. We may decide that a safety risk level should vary according to social factors, such as the type of person (for example, small children, pregnant women, healthy adults, etc.).

We could also consider a financial hazard to be the loss of a defined amount of money, and the financial risk to be the amount of the money multiplied by the probability of losing it.

EMI does not affect the hazards themselves but can affect their probability of occurrence, which is why EMI must be taken into account when trying to achieve acceptably low risk levels.

To insure that risks are not too high requires using hazard analysis and risk assessment.

Nothing can ever be 100% reliable; there is always some risk. To insure that risks are not too high requires using hazard analysis and risk assessment, which takes the information on a system's environment, design, and application and – in the case of [3] – creates the Safety Requirements Specification (SRS) or its equivalent in other standards.

Using hazard analysis and risk assessment also helps avoid the usual project risks of over- or underengineering the system.

The amount of effort and cost involved in the risk assessment should be proportional to the benefits required. These include: compliance with legal requirements, benefits to the users and third parties of lower risks (higher risk reductions), and benefits to the manufacturer of lower exposure to product liability claims and loss of market confidence.



Risk assessments are generally applied to simple systems

Modern control systems can be very complex and are increasingly often "systems of systems". If they fail to operate as intended, the resulting poor yields or downtimes can be very costly indeed. Risk assessment – done properly – is a complex exercise in which competent and experienced engineers apply at least three different types of assessment technique to the entire system under review.

To risk-assess a complex system is a large and costly undertaking, but not usually necessary because the usual approach (e.g. [3]) is to insure the safety of the overall control system by using a much simpler and separate "safety-related system" that can be risk-assessed quite easily. Safety-related systems often use "fail-safe" design techniques – when an unsafe situation is detected, the control system is overridden and the equipment under control brought to a condition that prevents or mitigates the harms that it could cause.

For many types of industrial machinery, the safe condition is one in which all mechanical movement

is stopped and hazardous electrical supplies isolated. The safe condition might be triggered, for example, by an interlock with a guard that allows access to hazardous machinery.

Such a fail-safe approach is, of course, useless in many life-support applications or anywhere where continuing operation-as-usual is essential, such as "fly-by-wire" aircraft. However, even in situations where a guard interlock or similar fail-safe techniques cannot be used – and the control system is too complex for a practicable risk assessment – it is still generally possible to improve reliability by means of simple measures that can be cost-effectively risk-assessed.

A typical approach is to use multiple (redundant [19]) control systems with a voting system so that the majority vote is used to control the system. Alternatively, control might be switched from a failing control system to another that is not failing (e.g. the Space Shuttle uses a voting system based on five computers [20]).

Specifying the acceptable risk level

For each identified hazard, the level of risk that is specified should be at

least broadly acceptable. UK Health and Safety publications [21] and [22] provide very useful guidance on this, and on what may be tolerable under some circumstances.

Acceptable risk levels are culturally defined and not amenable to mathematical calculation. They must be specified before the design process starts. The engineering principle of establishing an acceptable risk level and then designing to achieve it is enshrined in the functional safety standards ([3], [12], [13], and others) and helps:

- manufacturers maximize their return on investment over the short, medium, and long terms by reducing their exposure to lawsuits and having a valid defense in case of a lawsuit,
- engineers and organizations abide by the IEEE's ethical guidelines [23].

Acceptable risk levels for functional safety are generally provided by "Risk Charts" (or "Risk Graphs"), e.g. Annex D in Part 5 of [3], Annex D of [12], Section 7.4.5 of Part 3 of [13].

Reducing the risk from an identified hazard is performed by what [3] calls a "Safety Function". [3] applies a SIL specification to each safety function,

IEC 61508's SILs for "on demand" safety functions...

Safety Integrity Level (SIL)	Average probability of a dangerous failure of the safety function, "on demand" or "in a year*"	Equivalent mean time to dangerous failure, in years*	Equivalent confidence factor required for each demand on the safety function
4	≥10 ⁻⁵ to <10 ⁻⁴	>10 ⁴ to ≤10 ⁵	99.99 to 99.999%
3	≥10 ⁻⁴ to <10 ⁻³	>10 ³ to ≤10 ⁴	99.9 to 99.99%
2	≥10 ⁻³ to <10 ⁻²	>10 ² to ≤10 ³	99% to 99.9%
1	≥10 ⁻² to <10 ⁻¹	>10 to ≤10 ²	90 to 99%

^{*} Approximating 1 year = 10,000 hrs of operation

"Failure" includes any error, malfunction or fault that causes a hazard

Figure 1: Safety systems that operate "upon demand"

IEC 61508's SILs for "continuous" safety functions...

Safety Integrity Level (SIL)	Average probability of a dangerous failure of the safety function per hour	Equivalent mean time to dangerous failure, in hours	Equivalent confidence factor required for every 10,000 hours of continuous operation
4	≥10 ⁻⁹ to <10 ⁻⁸	>10 ⁸ to ≤10 ⁹	99.99 to 99.999%
3	≥10 ⁻⁸ to <10 ⁻⁷	>10 ⁷ to ≤10 ⁸	99.9 to 99.99%
2	≥10 ⁻⁷ to <10 ⁻⁶	>10 ⁶ to ≤10 ⁷	99% to 99.9%
1	≥10 ⁻⁶ to <10 ⁻⁵	>10 ⁴ to ≤10 ⁵	90 to 99%

"Failure" includes any error, malfunction or fault that causes a hazard

Figure 2: Safety systems that operate continuously

chosen according to the rules in [3] to achieve the specified risk level for the particular hazard being risk-reduced. So, for example, a safety-related system might provide three safety functions at SIL 2 and two safety functions at SIL 3.

Developed from Tables 2 and 3 of Part 1 of [3], Figures 1 and 2 show the reliability ranges covered by SILs. Examples of safety functions that operate on-demand include the braking system of an automobile and guard interlocks in industrial plant. Examples of safety functions that operate continuously, include the speed and/or torque control of automobile and other types of engines, and the motors in some machines and robots.

There is no requirement for a safety function to employ electronic technologies. In many situations mechanical protection such as bursting discs, blast walls, mechanical stops, etc., and management (such as not allowing people nearby during operation), etc., and combinations of them, can help achieve a safety function's SIL.

A SIL 3 specified safety function requiring, say, 99.95% reliability, could be achieved by employing three independent protection methods, each one of which achieves just 99.65%. All three, two, just one, or none of these protection devices or systems could use electronic technology. (Note that 99.95% reliability is seven times tougher than 99.65%.)

The most powerful EMC design technique for achieving a SIL is not to use any electronic or electromechanical technologies in the safety-related system!

A philosophical point

Many EMC test professionals, when faced with the information on hazards and risks above, say that because there is no evidence that EMI has contributed to safety incidents, this means the EMC testing done at the moment must be sufficient for safety. However, anyone who uses this argument is either poorly educated in matters of risk and risk reduction, or is hoping the education of their audience is lacking in that area [24].

The assumption that because there is no evidence of a problem, there is no problem, was shown to be logically incorrect in the 19th Century [25]; its use by NASA led directly to the Columbia space shuttle disaster [26]. Redmill [27] affirms: "Lack of proof, or evidence, of risk should not be taken to imply the absence of risk."

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EMI problems abound [28], but it is unlikely that incidents caused by EMI will be identified as being so caused, because:

- Errors and malfunctions caused by EMI often leave no trace of their occurrence after an incident.
- It is often impossible to recreate the EM disturbance(s) that caused the incident, because the EM environment is not continually measured and recorded.
- Software in modern technologies hides effects of EMI (e.g. EMI merely slows the data rate of Ethernet™ and blanks the picture on digital TV, whereas its effects are obvious in analogue telecommunications and TV broadcasting).
- Few first-responders or accident investigators know much about EMI, much less understand it, and as a result the investigations either overlook EMI possibilities or treat them too simplistically.
- · Accident data is not recorded in a way that might indicate EMI as a possible cause.

If a thorough risk assessment shows EMI can cause financial, mission or safety hazards, then undesirable incidents due to EMI will occur. If the probability of the incidents caused by EMI is higher than acceptable risk levels, their rate should be reduced until they are at least acceptable (i.e. risk reduction).

Hazards can be caused by multiple independent failures

It is often incorrectly assumed that only single failures need to be considered (so-called: "single-fault safety"). However, the number of independent failures that must be considered as happening simultaneously depends upon the required level of safety risk (or degree of risk reduction) and the probabilities of each independent failure occurring.

Not all failures are random

Many errors, malfunctions, and other faults in hardware and software are reliably caused by certain EMI, physical or climatic events, or user actions (for example, corrosion that degrades a



Ariane V

Self-destructed 37 seconds into launch June 4, 1996

Cost: \$500 million

A software module from Ariane IV was re-used on Ariane V. It contained a bug that had not been a problem for Ariane IV's higher latitude launch sites, but triggered the self-destruct when Ariane V was launched from a more equatorial site.

Figure 3.: A systematic failure for Ariane V [29]

ground bond or a shielding gasket after a time, an over-voltage surge that sparks across traces on a printed circuit board, etc.).

These are "systematic" errors, malfunctions, or other types of faults. They are not random, but may be

considered "built-in" and so guaranteed to occur whenever a particular situation arises. An example is shown in Figure 3.

UK Health and Safety [30] found that over 60% of major industrial accidents in the UK were systematic, i.e., were "designed-in" and so were bound to happen eventually.

Not all failures are permanent

Many errors, malfunctions, or other types of failure can be intermittent, for example:

- poor electrical connections (a very common problem that can create false signals)
- transient interference (conducted, induced, radiated)
- "sneak" conduction paths caused by condensation, conductive dust, etc.

The operation of error detection and correction techniques, microprocessor watchdogs, and even manual power cycling can cause what would otherwise have been permanent failures to be merely temporary ones.

"Common-Cause" errors, malfunctions and other failures

Two or more identical units may be exposed to the same conditions at the same time, for example:

- ambient under- or over-temperature
- power supply under- or over-voltage
- EM disturbances (conducted, induced, radiated, continuous, transient, etc.)
- condensation, etc.

This can cause the units to suffer the same systematic errors, malfunctions, etc., which are known as "commoncause" failures.

So, using multiple redundant units [19] – a very common method for improving reliability to random errors, malfunctions or other types of failures – will not reduce risks of systematic failures if identical units, hardware, or software are used to create the redundant system.

Risk assessments need multiple techniques, and expertise

No one risk assessment technique can ever give sufficient "failure coverage", so at least three and probably more different types should be applied to any design:

- at least one "inductive" or "bottomup" method, such as FMEA [31] or Event-Tree
- at least one "deductive" or "topdown" method, such as Fault Tree Analysis [32] or HAZOP
- at least one "brainstorming" method, such as DELPHI or SWIFT

No risk analysis methods have yet been developed to cover EMI issues, so it is necessary to choose the methods to use and adapt them to deal with EMI. Successful adaptation requires competency, skills, and expertise in both safety engineering and real-life EMI (not just EMC testing).

Devices can fail at two or more pins simultaneously

EMI can cause two or more pins on a semiconductor device, such as an integrated circuit (IC), to change state simultaneously. An extreme example is "latch-up" – when all output pins simultaneously assume uncontrolled fixed states. This is caused by high temperatures, ionizing radiation, and over-voltage or over-current on any pin of an IC. The presence of any one of the three causes increases an IC's

susceptibility to latch-up due to the other two.

However, traditional risk analysis methods (e.g. FMEA) have often been applied very simplistically to electronics, for example I have seen (socalled) FMEA-based risk assessments on safety-critical electronics conducted by a major international manufacturer of automobiles that simply went through all of the ICs one pin at a time and assessed whether a safety problem would be caused if each pin was permanently stuck high or low. Also, this was the only failure mode identification method applied.



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Reasonably foreseeable use/ misuse

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Assessing reasonably foreseeable use or misuse requires the use of "brainstorming" techniques by experienced personnel, and can achieve better "failure coverage" by including operators, maintenance technicians, field service engineers, etc., in the exercise.

THE TWO STAGES OF RISK **ASSESSMENT**

When creating the SRS (or equivalent), the system has not yet been designed, so detailed risk analysis methods such as FMEA, FMECA, etc., cannot be applied. At this early stage, only an "Initial Risk Assessment" is possible, but there are many suitable methods that can be used and many of them are listed in 3.7 of [10].

During the design, development, realization, and verification phases of the project, detailed information becomes available on all of the mechanics, hardware and software. Appropriate risk analysis methods (such as FMEA) are applied to this design information – as it becomes available - to guide the project in realtime and to achieve the overall goals of the Initial Risk Assessment.

As the project progresses the Initial Risk Assessment accumulates more depth of analysis, eventually (at the end of the project) producing the "Final

Risk Assessment" – a very important part of a project's safety documentation. But it can only be completed when the project has been fully completed, and its real engineering value lies in the process of developing it during the project to achieve acceptable risk levels (or risk reductions) while also saving cost and time (or at least not adding significantly to them).

INCORPORATING **EMI ISSUES IN RISK ASSESSMENTS**

The reasonably foreseeable lifetime EM environment is an important input to an EMI risk analysis process, as it affects the risk level directly. Because exposure to other environmental effects like shock, vibration, humidity, temperature, salt spray, etc., can degrade EM characteristics (and also faults, user actions, wear, and misuse), their reasonably foreseeable lifetime assessments are also important inputs.

Many foreseeable environmental effects can occur simultaneously, for example:

- Two or more strong radio-frequency (RF) fields (especially near two or more cellphones or walkie-talkies. or near a base-station or broadcast transmitter).
- One or more radiated RF fields plus distortion of the mains power supply waveform.
- One or more radiated RF fields plus an ESD event.
- A power supply over-voltage transient plus conductive condensation.
- One or more strong RF fields plus corrosion or wear that degrades enclosure shielding effectiveness.

- One or more strong RF fields plus a shielding panel left open by the user
- Conducted RF on the power supply plus a high-impedance ground connection on the supply filter due to loosening of the fasteners that provide the bonding connection to the ground plane due to vibration, corrosion, etc.
- Power supply RF or transients plus filter capacitors that have, over time, been open-circuited by over voltages, and/or storage or bulk decoupling capacitors that have lost much of their electrolyte due to time and temperature.

Hundreds more examples could easily be given, and all such reasonably foreseeable events and combinations of them must be considered by the risk assessment.

Intermittent contacts, open or short circuits, can cause spurious signals just like some kinds of EMI, and are significantly affected by the physical/ climatic environment over a lifetime. One example of this kind of effect is contact resistance modulated by vibration. This effect is called "vibration-induced EMI" by some.

EMI and intermittent contacts can - through direct interference, demodulation and/or intermodulation [11] - cause "noise" to appear in any conductors that are inadequately protected against EMI (perhaps because of a dry joint in a filter capacitor). "Noise" can consist of degraded, distorted, delayed or false signals or data, and/or damaging voltage or current waveforms.

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When a "top down" risk analysis method is used, it should take into account that significant levels of such noise can appear at any or all signal, control, data, power, or ground ports of any or all electronic units – unless the ports are adequately protected against foreseeable EMI for their entire lifetime, taking into account foreseeable faults, misuse, shock, vibration, wear, etc. (For radiated EMI, the unit's enclosure is considered a port.)

The noises appearing at different ports and/or different units can be identical or different, and can occur simultaneously or in some time-relationship to one another.

When a "bottom-up" risk analysis method is used, the same noise considerations as above apply, but in this they can appear at any or all pins of any or all electronic devices on any or all printed circuit boards (PCBs) in any or all electronic units – unless the units are adequately protected against all EMI over their entire lifetime taking into account foreseeable faults, misuse, etc., as before.

Similarly, the noises appearing at different pins or different devices, PCBs or units can be identical or different, and can occur simultaneously or in some time relationship.

It is often quite tricky to deal with all possibilities for EMI, physical, climatic, intermittency, use, misuse, etc., which is why competent "EMC-safety" expertise should always be engaged on risk assessments, to help insure all reasonably foreseeable possibilities have been thoroughly investigated.

If the above sounds an impossibly large task, the good news is that one does not have to wade through all of the possible combinations of EMI and environmental effects, faults, misuse, etc. There are design approaches that will deal with entire classes of EMI consequences and risk analysis techniques that determine if they are a) needed, and b) effective.

For example, at one design extreme there is the "EMI Shelter" approach: a shielded filtered enclosure with a dedicated uninterruptible power supply and fiber-optic datacommunications is designed and verified as protecting whatever electronic equipment is placed within it from the nasty outside environment for its entire life, up to and including a number of direct lightning strikes, earthquakes, flooding and nearby nuclear explosions if required. Several companies manufacture such shelters.

Door interlocks and periodic proof testing insure it maintains that protection for the required number of decades. Nothing special needs to be done to the safety system that is placed inside it. Of course, [3] (or whatever other functional safety standard applies) will have many requirements for the safety system, but EMI is taken care of by the EMI shelter. Validation of the finished assembly could merely consist of checking that the shelter manufacturer's installation rules have been followed.

If the EMI shelter solution does not seem appropriate for your project, then how about a different extreme: error detection and fail-safe. It is possible to design digital hardware to use data with embedded protocols that detect any possible interference, however caused. When such interference is detected, the error is either corrected or the failsafe is triggered. Designing sensors, transducers and analogue hardware to detect any interference is not as immediately obvious as it is for data, but can be done.

Safety systems have been built that used this technique alone and ignored all immunity to EMI, but unfortunately they triggered their fail-safes so often that they could not be used. So, some immunity to EMI is necessary for adequate availability of whatever it is the safety system is protecting. Since passing the usual EMC immunity tests often seems to be sufficient for an acceptable percentage of uptime, this is probably all that needs to be done.

CONCLUSIONS

Any practicable EMC testing regime can only take us part of the way towards achieving the reliability levels required by the SILs in [3] or similar low levels of financial or mission risk.

Risk assessment is a vital technique for controlling and assessing EMC design engineering, but since no established risk analysis techniques have yet been written to take EMI into account, it is necessary for experienced and skilled engineers to adapt them for that purpose.

I hope that others will fully develop this new area of "EMI risk assessment" in the coming years.

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Making Real Boards

The secrets to matching fabricator impedance results with your own calculations

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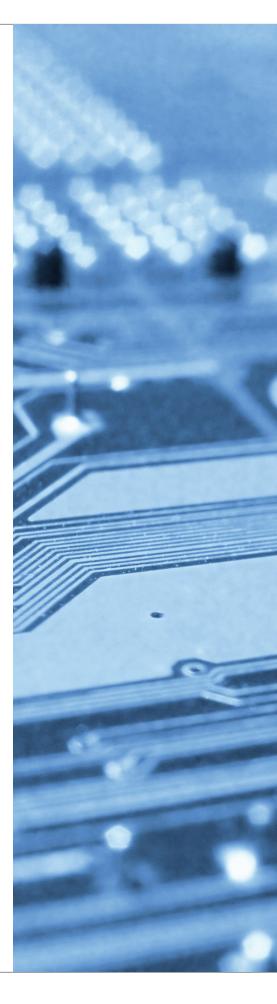
The board stackup is probably the most essential piece for ensuring a successful PCB design. Modern high-speed busses require controlled-impedance traces, and whether you are using a simulation tool, a simple calculator, or the back of a napkin, you need to understand your manufacturing process to correlate your impedance calculations. This ensures that your trace widths and dielectric heights match what will actually be manufactured, and eliminates last-minute design changes.

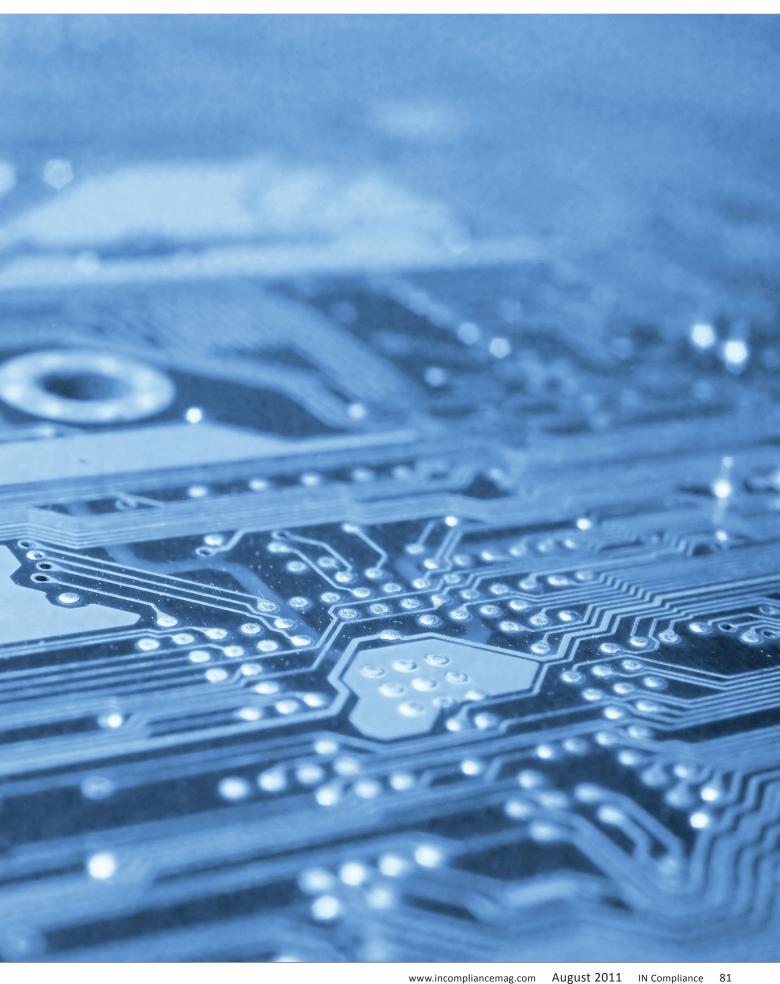
IMPEDANCE DETERMINATION

Impedance is what drives the dielectric thicknesses and trace widths in the board. Figure 1 shows the three main factors in determining trace impedance: trace width (W), height above the reference plane (H), and dielectric constant (Er). Trace impedance goes up as H goes up, and impedance goes down as W and Er go up. Impedance numbers can be calculated by using formulas or calculator tools, but the most accurate data will be generated from a field solver. Signal integrity

simulation tools such as HyperLynx from Mentor Graphics have built-in field solvers, and can be used to generate stackup geometry numbers for a given impedance.

When determining W and H, you can typically begin with a W of 4 mils, as that usually is the minimum manufacturable trace width on ½-oz. copper without incurring extra cost. This is usually the starting point for determining layer height. Since the highest impedance is obtained by using the minimum trace width and maximum dielectric height, the





dielectric height is set by the highest impedance needed for the layer using a 4-mil trace width. For instance, if the maximum impedance needed on a given layer is 60 ohms, the dielectric height for that layer would be set to about 5 mils, since a 4-mil trace with a 5-mil dielectric height will be 60 ohms (given an Er of about 3.6).

In doing these calculations, it is imperative to use the correct value for dielectric constant, as that is where most discrepancies between your calculations and the board fabricator's calculations can differ. Most important is the fact that Er can vary with different dielectric thicknesses due to variations in glass and resin content. Typical values for FR4 material range between 3.5 and 4.5, so it is important to talk to your board manufacturer to get the right values. More often than

not, smaller dielectric thicknesses are used in a design, and these typically have lower dielectric constants. For FR4, most people just use an Er of 4. This means that their trace widths and dielectric heights get designed for an impedance lower than what will actually be manufactured, since the dielectric constant is most likely lower (and, if you recall from above, as Er goes down, impedance goes up).

BOARD MATERIAL VARIATION

Another aspect of real PCB fabrication that can cause you to shoot for too low of an impedance target is failure to take into account the variation of glass/resin content around the traces. When multiple PCB layers are pressed together, the resin tends to flow into the spaces around the traces, creating

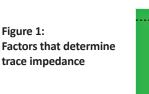
a resin-rich area around the traces that will have a lower dielectric constant. As such, it is important to model that lower Er when modeling your board stackup. Figure 2 shows an example of this in the HyperLynx Stackup Editor, where an Er of 3.2 is assigned to the trace layer in the stackup to mimic the results of actual board fabrication.

Use of incorrect dielectric constant values can also throw off timing calculations in simulation. You can notice a difference of up to about 100ps for a 10-in. trace, which can be quite detrimental to design margins.

It is also important to realize that when traces are manufactured, the etching process can leave them in more of a trapezoidal shape than a rectangle. For a 1/2-oz. trace, this can lead to a difference in trace width from top to bottom of about 0.5 mils. This effect should be included when modeling the traces, and is easily approximated by assigning the mean width of the actual trace to the trace width. For a ½-oz. trace, that would mean subtracting 0.25 mils from the target trace width. This is also included in Figure 2.

SUMMING UP

As you can see, most of the causes for discrepancy between simulated and actual impedance result in too low of



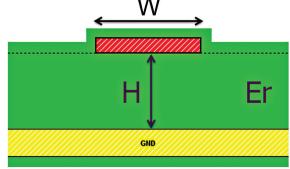


Figure 2: Inclusion of realistic parameters in the modeling of a stackup design

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It is best to work with your board manufacturer to get accurate data about your board stackup, to make sure that your design specs are within reason and can be maintained

an impedance in the simulation. In fact, in Figure 2 above, you may notice that the lower half of the stackup (a mirror image of the top) is modeled without taking into account actual dielectric constant, the resin-rich area around the traces, or the proper trace width. You will notice discrepancies in impedance for equivalent layers and traces. In some stackups, this difference can be up to about 5 ohms. This becomes problematic because the fab house will have to widen the trace or increase the dielectric thickness to compensate for the miscalculation, which can lead to possible manufacturing issues.

For instance, if a trace is spaced the minimum clearance from an object like a pin or via and then becomes widened, it could become too close to that object. Similarly, enlarged dielectric layers may cause the total board thickness to fall out of spec. This is why it is best to

work with your board manufacturer to get accurate data about your board stackup, to make sure that your design specs are within reason and can be maintained, and that you don't run into problems later in the design cycle.

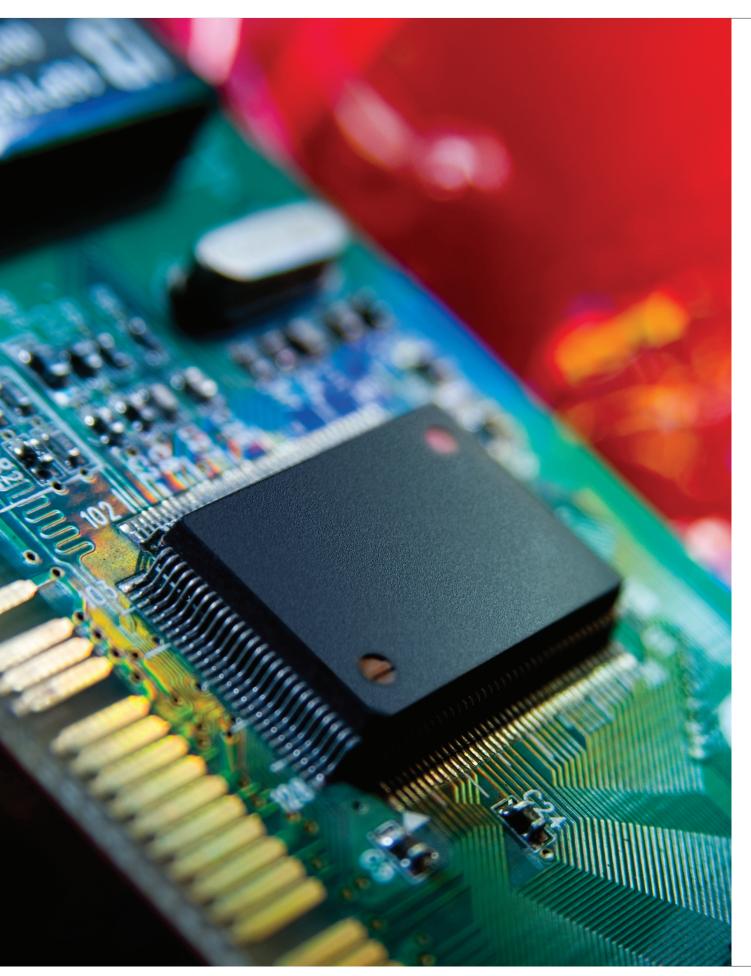
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An Equivalent Three-Dipole Model for IC Radiated Emissions Based on TEM Cell Measurements



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An equivalent dipole model is proposed in this paper to represent the source of radiated electromagnetic emissions from an integrated circuit (IC). The height of an IC is usually much smaller than its length and width, so only three dipole moments are sufficient to characterize an IC in terms of its electromagnetic emissions. The dipole moments can be extracted from three TEM cell measurements. The radiated fields from the IC can then be calculated based on the extracted dipole sources. This IC emission model with three dipole moments is validated using the far-field measurements in a semi anechoic chamber for a test IC. For complex structures, it is desirable that the extracted dipole moments can be incorporated into a commercial full-wave tool as equivalent sources to simulate the radiations from an IC. This is demonstrated using an approach developed in this article

ntegrated circuit (IC) devices are the ultimate noise sources that contribute to many component and system-level electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) issues, which become increasingly critical for highspeed digital circuit designs due to the constant increase of clock speeds, power consumption, circuit density and complexity. The international standard IEC 61967-2 [1] describes a specific procedure to evaluate the component-level EMC performance of ICs from 150 kHz to 1 GHz via TEM cell measurements. However, specific IC emission models are desirable to further simulate and predict the radiated fields from ICs in complex systems.

Generally speaking, a complete set of six dipole moments are necessary to represent the emissions of a device under test.

Previous work has established several models for determining the emissions from ICs. Models with mutual capacitance and inductance were extracted from TEM cell measurements to estimate the radiated emissions for simple structures in [2] and [3]. A set of dipole arrays was proposed from near-field scanning measurements to model IC emissions in [4] and [5]. The TEM cell and open area test site (OATS) measurements of a radiated device were correlated through a set of six electric and magnetic dipole moments in [6], where the extraction of the six dipole moments requires nine TEM cell measurements and, further, special shielding is needed for some of the measurement steps.

In this article, it is validated that only three dipole moments out of the six are dominant when there is a large ground plane under the IC being tested. Thus, the TEM cell measurement procedure proposed in [6] can be greatly simplified to three measurements instead of nine. Each of these three TEM cell measurements strictly follows the standard procedure proposed in IEC 61967-2. The IC emission model

using three equivalent dipole moments is introduced in Section II with justifications. This model is validated using the far-field measurements in a semi anechoic chamber for a test IC in Section III. An approach to incorporate the extract dipole moments as equivalent sources in a full-wave tool is developed in Section IV in order to model system-level EMI in complex environments.

IC EMISSION MODEL **UUSING THREE DIPOLE MOMENTS**

For EMC applications, the maximum emission level is of interest, instead of the radiation nulls or side lobes. Then, it becomes a good approximation to neglect the phase differences between the various moments. Particularly, when the sizes of ICs are electrically small, only the initial dipole terms are dominant to determine the magnitude of the radiated fields [7].

Generally speaking, a complete set of six dipole moments are necessary to represent the emissions of a device

under test (DUT), including three electric ones Px, P, P, and three magnetic ones M, M, M, M. The subscript (x, y, or z) indicates the individual direction of each dipole moment. The electric and magnetic dipoles are defined as [8]

$$\mathbf{P} = \int_{v} \mathbf{J}(r') dv'$$

$$\mathbf{M} = \frac{1}{2} \int_{v} \mathbf{r}' \times \mathbf{J}(r') dv'$$
(1)

where J is the current density distributed over a volume v, and r' denotes the position vector of the source point.

For a typical IC shown in Figure 1, its dimensions in x and y directions are much larger than its z-directional height. When there is a large perfect electric conductor (PEC) ground plane under the IC, P_x , P_y , and M_z cannot be the dominant dipole moments because their fields cannot satisfy the PEC boundary condition at the ground plane if the distance between the IC and the ground plane is small enough. Further, the main current

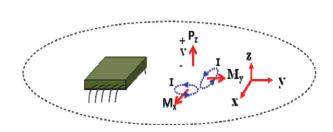
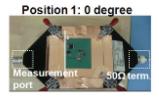


Figure 1: Typical dimensions of IC and its emission model using three equivalent dipole moments



Position 3: 90 degree

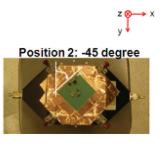


Figure 2: Three TEM cell measurements necessary to extract the proposed IC emission model using (2)

loops comprised of the IC traces and the ground reference plane can be sufficiently modeled using M_x and M_y . Similarly, most patches in the IC against the ground reference plane can be sufficiently modeled using P_z . Therefore for the typical IC structures, M_x , M_y and P_z are adequate as the equivalent sources of their electromagnetic emissions.

The three equivalent dipole moments in the proposed IC emission model can be calculated from three TEM measurements as [6]

$$b_{1} = P_{z}^{2} + k_{0}^{2} M_{y}^{2}$$

$$b_{2} = P_{z}^{2} + \frac{1}{2} k_{0}^{2} M_{x}^{2} + \frac{1}{2} k_{0}^{2} M_{y}^{2} - k_{0}^{2} M_{y} M_{x}$$
 (2)
$$b_{3} = P_{z}^{2} + k_{0}^{2} M_{y}^{2}$$

where k_0 is the wave number in the free space and, b_1 , b_2 , and b_3 are the normalized power measured using the TEM cell when the IC under test is orientated as in Positions 1, 2, and 3 shown in Figure 2, respectively. The three measurement positions have a rotation of 0, -45, and 90 degrees as illustrated by the white lines in Figure 2.

An alternative approach is to use a hybrid to separate the contributions of P., M., and M. A test setup using a hybrid in the TEM cell measurement is shown in Figure 3. The hybrid can generate signals that are the sum and the difference of the two TEM cell outputs. The sum of the two output voltages is proportional to the electric field coupling, since the electric field coupling, if the DUT is located in the center of the TEM cell, generates two responses that are in phase and the magnetic field coupling generates two out-of-phase ones. Similarly, the difference of the voltages is proportional to the magnetic field coupling. As a result, the equivalent electric dipole moment P can be obtained from the sum of the voltages as

$$P_z = \sqrt{\frac{(A+B)}{2}} \tag{3}$$

and the difference of the voltages gives the magnetic dipole moment as

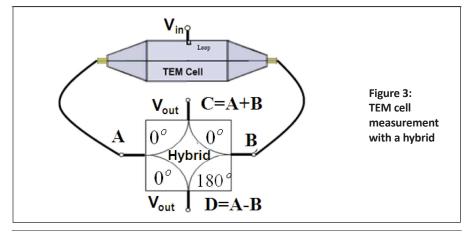
$$M = \sqrt{\frac{(A-B)}{2k_0^2}}$$
 (4)

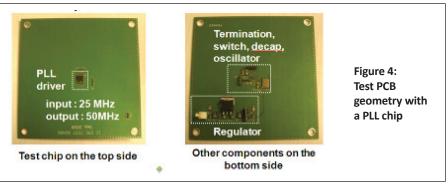
Measurements with two DUT positions (0 and 90 degrees) are sufficient to calculate the P_z , M_x , and M_y using (3) and (4). Notice that the P_z value shall be approximately the same at any measurement position.

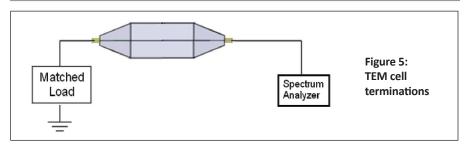
VALIDATION OF THE PROPOSED IC EMISSION MODEL

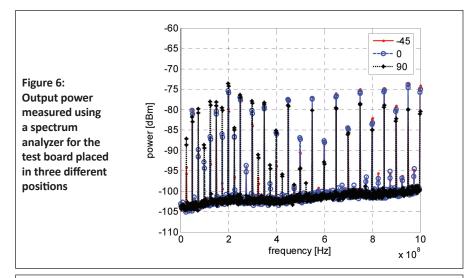
A phase locked loop (PLL) chip was used as a test IC to illustrate the experimental procedure to obtain the IC emission model proposed in this article. Then, far-field emission measurements were performed to validate the model.

The test print circuit board (PCB) designed according to the requirements of the IEC Standard 61967-1 is shown in Figure 4. The input signal of the PLL has a fundamental frequency of

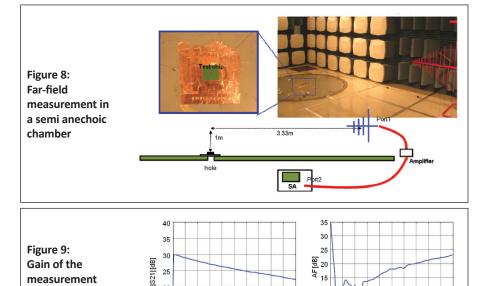








x 10⁻⁷ - k*Mx 0.8 k*Mv 0.6 Figure 7: Equivalent dipole moments extracted from the TEM cell measurements -0.4 for the PLL chip under test -0.6 -0.8 8 10 frequency [Hz] x 10⁸



25 MHz while the output signal doubles the input frequency. The PLL chip is the only component on the top side of the board while other components such as power regulator, terminations, and decoupling capacitors are on the bottom side of the board. The board size, stackup, as well as via type followed the specifications in IEC 61967-1.

As shown in Figure 2, the test board was then measured in three different positions by rotating the test board at certain degrees with regard to the TEM cell orientation. The TEM cell terminations are illustrated in Figure 5, with one port terminated with a 50-Ohm matched load and the other port connected with a spectrum analyzer. The output power at the measurement port was measured from 10 MHz to 1 GHz.

The measured results of the output power for all three measurements using the spectrum analyzer are shown in Figure 6. The peaks correspond to the fundamental and harmonic frequencies of the clock. Then the equivalent electric and magnetic dipole moments were calculated based on the measured results using (2) and are shown in Figure 7. Naturally, these dipole moments have peak values at the fundamental and harmonic frequencies.

To validate the extracted IC emission model, radiated fields can be calculated from the extracted dipole moments as sources and compared with measurements. Closed-form expressions for the radiated fields generated by the known dipole sources can be derived for simple cases where Green's functions are available. One such case is to assume that the IC is placed on top of an infinitely large ground plane. The analytical expressions for the radiated fields from the dipole moments in this kind of half space can be easily obtained as in [9].

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100 200 300 400 500 600 700 800 900 1000 Frequency [MHz]

Frequency [MHz]

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For validations, far-field measurements in a semi anechoic chamber were conducted to obtain the emissions from the IC chip in the half space. The experimental setup is shown in Figure 8, where the setup of the DUT is different to the usual EMI testing. In this measurement, it is important to ensure that the IC is the only source of the radiated emission. Otherwise there's no apple-to-apple comparison with the analytical solution of the radiated fields from the extracted dipole moments. To remove the radiation from the test PCB as well as other components, the PCB was placed on the ground plane of the chamber with the side containing the PLL chip facing up. Then the board was completely covered using copper tape with only the test chip exposed, as shown in the Figure 8. The copper tape was connected to the ground plane of the chamber. Therefore, the test chip was equivalently placed on a very large ground plane. The radiated electric field was measured at 3.33 m away from the test board using a broadband antenna. To improve the signal to noise ratio, two amplifiers were used.

The gain of the measurement setup including the gain of the amplifiers and the loss of the cables and the antenna factor are shown in Figure 9, where the antenna factor was provided by the antenna manufacturer. Then, the radiated electric field can be calculated from the measured power at the spectrum analyzer as

 $E[dBuV/m] = (Power[dBm] + 107) - S_{21} + AF$ (5)

where S_{21} is the gain of the measurement setup, and AF is the antenna factor.

The measured electric fields in both the y and z directions are compared with those calculated from the extracted dipole moments in Figure 10. The peak values of the radiated fields at the harmonic clock frequencies match well for the electric field in the z direction. However, the values of the

electric filed in the y direction from the TEM cell measurements are smaller than the noise floor in the far-field measurements. When the radiated levels are low, there is not enough signal to noise ratio in the far-field measurements to achieve meaningful comparisons. Nevertheless, when the radiated levels exceed the noise floor of the far-field measurement, the obvious agreements at the peaks validate the proposed IC emission model.

INCORPORATING IC **EMISSION MODEL INTO A FULL-WAVE EM TOOL**

In complex geometries, analytical expressions of the radiated fields from the equivalent dipole moments may not be available. It is necessary to develop an approach to incorporate the extracted dipole moments as sources in common commercial full-wave

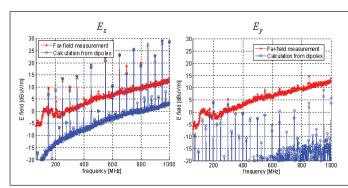


Figure 10: Comparisons of the radiated fields from measurements with those calculated from the extract IC emission model



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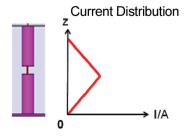


Figure 11: Electric dipole approximated with a short wire antenna

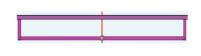


Figure 12: Magnetic dipole approximated with a small loop antenna

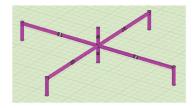


Figure 13: A combined source with one wire antenna and two loop antennas

electromagnetic tools so that systemlevel EMI problems can be investigated.

The ideal infinitesimal electric dipole can be approximated using a short wire antenna as shown in Figure 11. The current excitation is at the middle of the wire. Since the current vanishes at the two ends of the wire, the electric dipole moment of this short wire antenna can be approximated as

$$P_z = \frac{1}{2} l * I_P, \tag{6}$$

where l is the length of the wire, and IP is the magnitude of the current excitation at the middle of the wire antenna.

For ideal infinitesimal magnetic dipoles, they can be approximated as loop antennas as shown in Figure 12. The direction of the current in the loop and the direction of the magnetic dipole moment follow the right-hand rule. The magnetic dipole moment of the small loop antenna can be approximated as

$$M_x = A * I_M, (7)$$

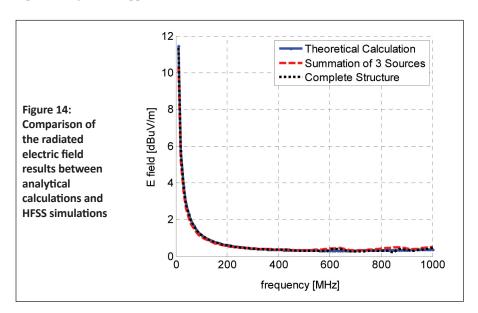
where A is the area of the loop, and I_M is the magnitude of the current excitation in the loop.

The extracted dipole moments from the TEM cell measurements can then be incorporated in full-wave tools as the wire and loop antennas. One intuitive solution is to incorporate each dipole moment individually as an antenna source. Then the totally radiated fields generated from the IC

can be calculated by adding the three sets of the simulated fields from the individual dipole moments, according to superposition. Using this approach, obviously three full-wave simulations are needed to get the total radiated fields, which is undesirable since typical system-level simulations could be complex and time-consuming.

An improved method is to combine the three antennas in one full-wave simulation as shown in Figure 13. The trick is to assign two current sources to each antenna, forcing the exact current distributions so that the dipole moments can still be estimated using (6) and (7). Notice that there exist multiple scatterings among the antenna structures in this case, which could be a potential source of error.

To illustrate and validate the proposed method of using the combined antennas in full-wave electromagnetic tools, HFSS (High Frequency Structure Simulator) from Ansoft was used to show an example. Suppose the extracted dipole moments are M_v = $2.5e-6 \text{ Am}^2$, $M_u = 2.5e-6 \text{ Am}^2$, and $P_u =$ 2.5e-4 Am, and they are located on top of an infinitely-large ground plane. In the HFSS model, the areas of the loop antennas were chosen as 2.5e-6 m2 and the length of the wire antenna as 1e-3 m. The current excitations were then 1 A in the loop antennas and 0.5 A in the wire antenna. The distance between the source and observation points was set to be 145 mm. The simulated electric field results in the x direction using the superposition approach, the combined



antenna approach, and the analytic expressions are compared in Figure 14. They agree very well in the frequency range of interest from 10 MHz to 1 GHz.

CONCLUSION

In this article, an IC emission model has been proposed using three dipole moments (Pz, Mx, and My) extracted from TEM cell measurements. This model has been validated using the comparisons between the radiated fields calculated using the extracted dipole moments as equivalent sources and those obtained from the far-field measurements for a PLL test chip. An approach with combined loop and wire antennas to incorporate the dipole moments as sources in commercial full-wave EM tools has also been developed. The study reported in this article has demonstrated that the radiated emissions from ICs can be well characterized using three dipole moments extracted from simple TEM cell measurements. The proposed model can accurately predict the emission level from a single isolated IC. For system-level EMI simulations, complex emission model, such as dipole arrays, need to be further studied by considering the near-field coupling in the system. IN

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The speed improvements that SAE has achieved result from the modular control of Aeroflex's hardware and software, and from the collaboration among SAE, a commissioned company, and Aeroflex to optimize the test process. A further advantage of having multiple cellular and non-cellular technologies integrated into the same test instrument is that the box has a much smaller footprint than discrete test solutions. The equipment is always fully utilized rather than having instruments standing idle while other technologies are being measured. It also requires less time for calibration and verification than when separate instruments are used.

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3116B	Double-Ridged Waveguide Horn Antenna
3106B	Double-Ridged Waveguide Horn Antenna
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"This 'top ten' program was created in response to customer requests for faster lead times of the quality antennas they've come to expect from ETS-Lindgren. They didn't want to settle for an inferior antenna simply because ours had a longer lead time," said Bill Giacone, ETS-Lindgren's Senior Vice-President, Americas. "We realize our customers schedule a test with the best intentions and think they have every item covered. Unfortunately, the reality can be a critical antenna is suddenly needed to finish a test - or address a newly added test requirement – to meet production deadlines. With this new program we can minimize delays in our customers' test schedules by shipping the needed antenna immediately," he added.

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For the purposes of testing, Leader Tech engineers selected one of the Company's most popular FerriShield 28 Material Ferrites with a true 850 permeability. All ferrites in the sample group were analyzed on the same test wire using an Agilent 4396B RF Network/Spectrum/Impedance Analyzer and an Agilent 16192A test meter. Broadband frequencies ranging from 1 MHz to 400 MHz were generated across the test wire and ferrite impedance in Ohms was recorded. Performance variations among manufacturers that offer 850 permeability wideband ferrites are noteworthy.

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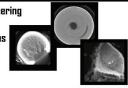
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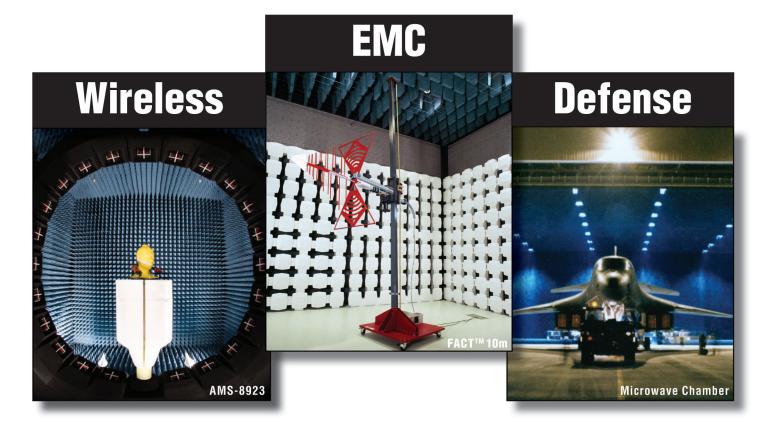
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