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- **State-of-the-Art**
- **General requirements**
 - CISPR 16-1-1
 - TEM cell
- **SDR platforms**
 - HackRF One
 - LimeSDR
 - USRP X310 (UBX daughterboard)
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- **Survey of industry partners**
 - Mostly small companies
 - Almost all struggle with EMC
 - Central problem: radiated emission and immunity testing
 - Others: filter design, PCB layout
 - Low/No-budget available for measurement instruments
- **General research question**
 - How to estimate radiated emission and immunity test performance

Circumstances

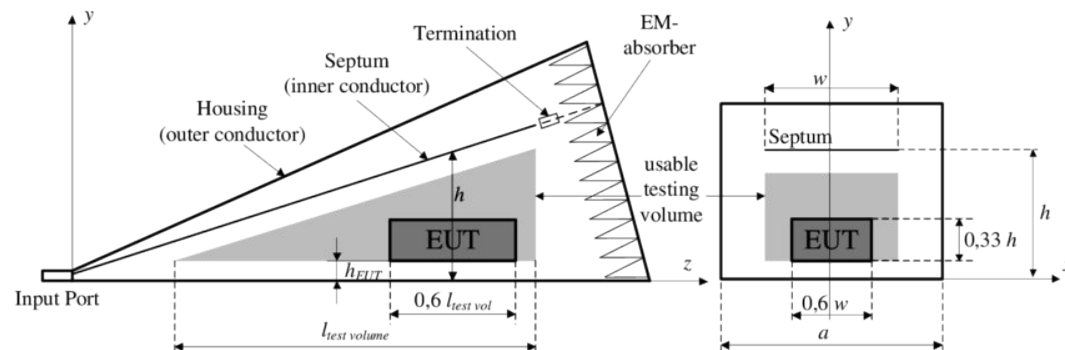
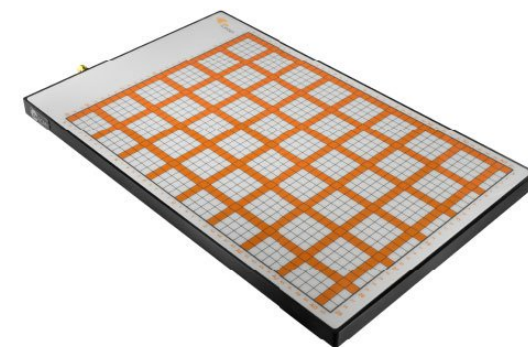
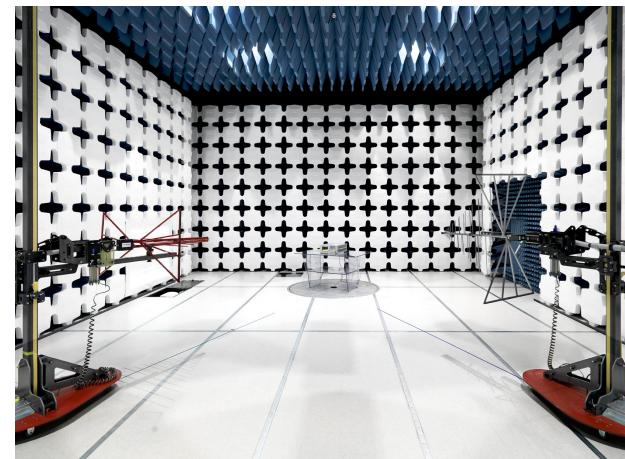
- Low capabilities in terms of: premises
- Financial liquidity
- (Know-How)

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- **Optimum test site:**
 - Semi Anaechoic Chamber
 - Very large
 - Very expensive
 - Long measurement times

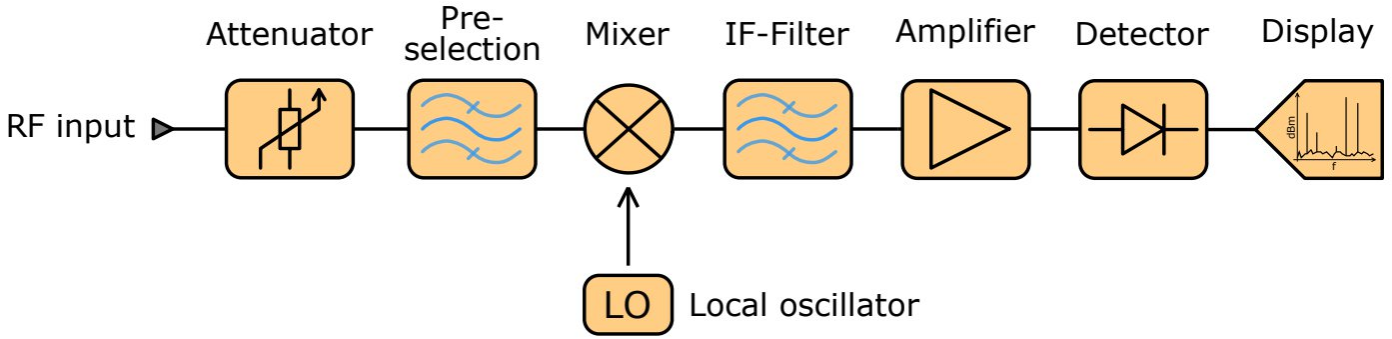
- **Near-field sites:**
 - YIC EMScanner
 - Pendulum Detectus
 - Visualize EMI spots
 - Fast and repeatable
 - No statement about absolute values
 - Not compliant!
 - Currently, no immunity testing
 - > 20000€

- **TEM wave guides:**
 - Fully compliant site
 - No cables allowed
 - TEM size scales with EUT size
 - Cheap manufacturing process
 - Frequency limitations
 - < 1000€

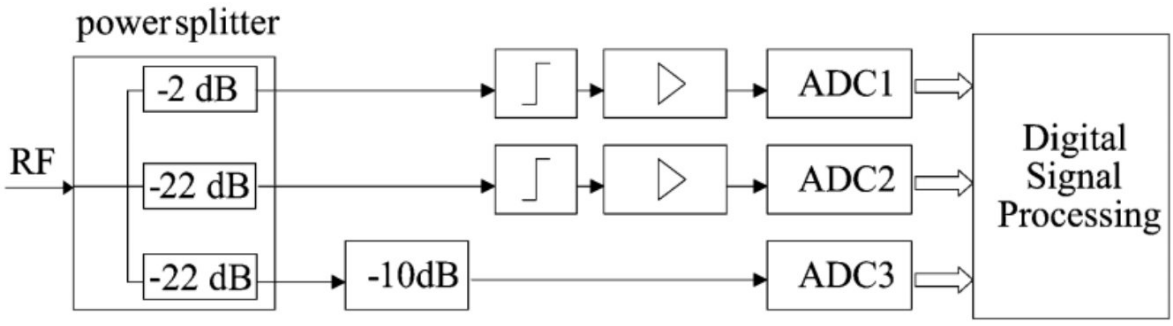


State-of-the-Art

- **Heterodyne EMI Receivers**
 - Massive pre-selection filter bank
 - Limited analysis bandwidth
 - Real-time operation available



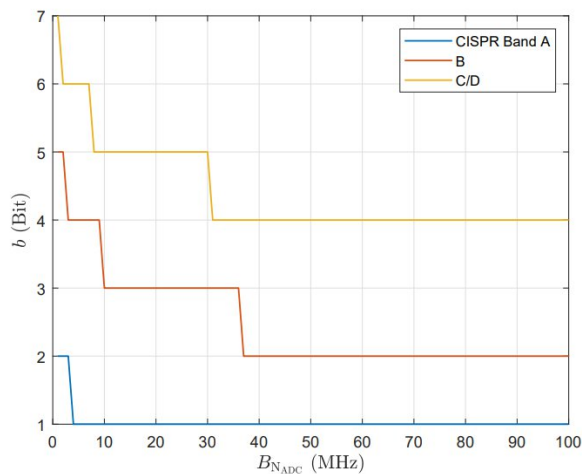
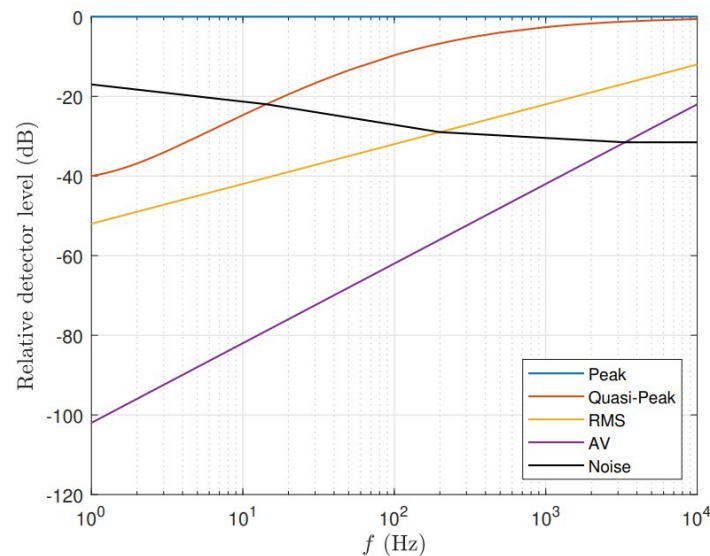
- **Floating**
 - In
 - Very large real-time analysis bandwidth > 1GHz
 - Outperforms heterodyne principle in terms of measurement speed
 - Problems with DR and echoes!



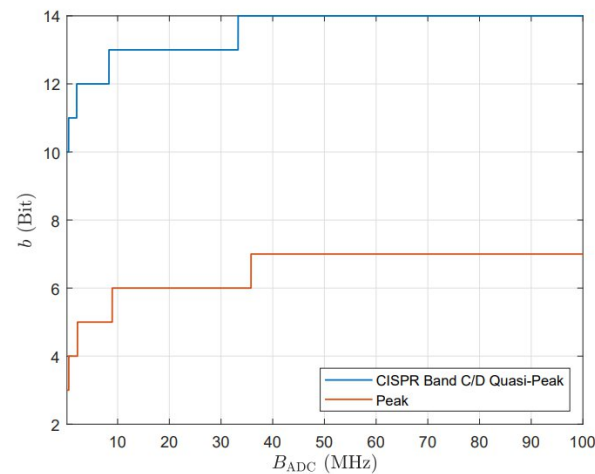
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General Requirements

- **CISPR 16-1-1**
 - Identifies the receiver as black box
 - Performance is verified by applying signals
 - Broadband impulses (BW > 1GHz) and CW
 - Constraints are hard to meet for fully compliant receivers (Quasi-Peak detector)
 - For instance: an impulse with ~75V and a CW with 1mV has to be measured in the same config
 - Analyzing the utilized scenarios leads to typical parameters: ENOB, DR, etc.



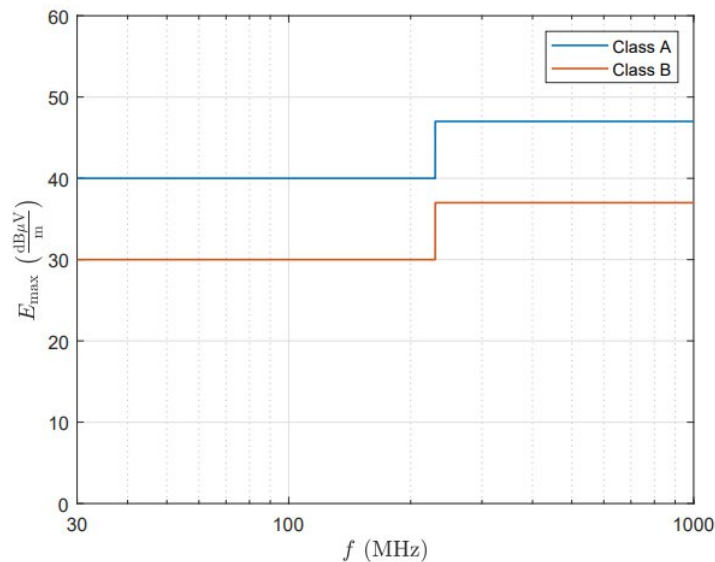
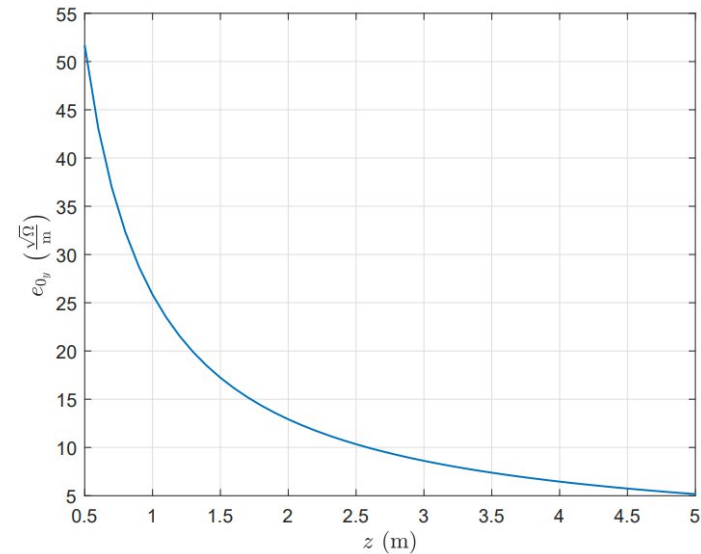
(a) CW signals



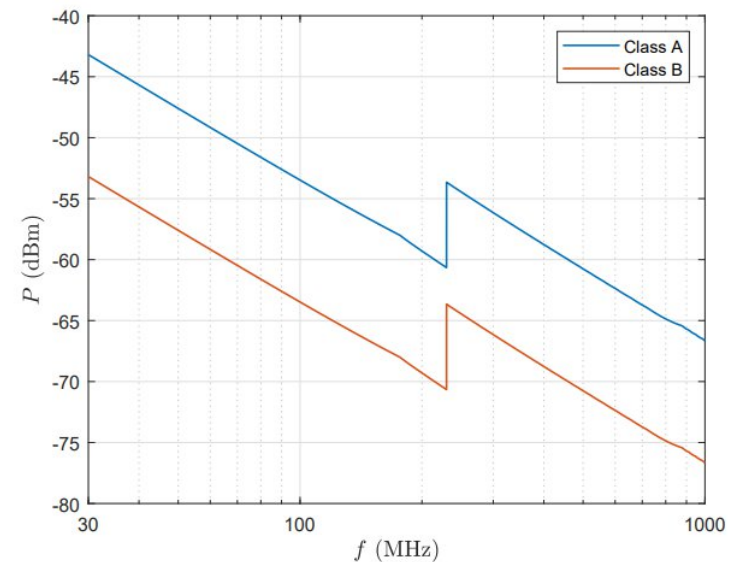
(b) Impulses in *CISPR band C/D* for peak and quasi-peak detection

- **TEM cell**

- Field factor increases with decreasing cell volume
- The receiver sensitivity gets higher
- Suffering less from frequency birdies
- Noise figure can be relaxed
- No LNA needed



(a) Maximum field strength *DIN EN 55032*



(b) Calculated power levels

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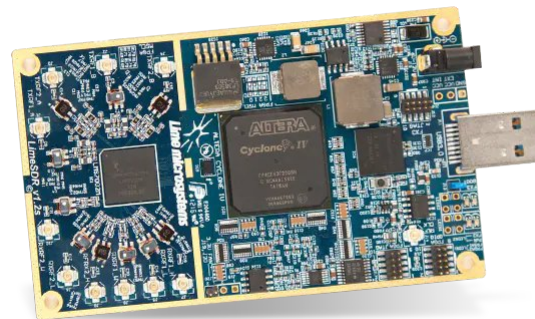
HackRF One

- 8 Bit
- DCR with second IF stage
- High DR mixer P1db ~ 10dBm



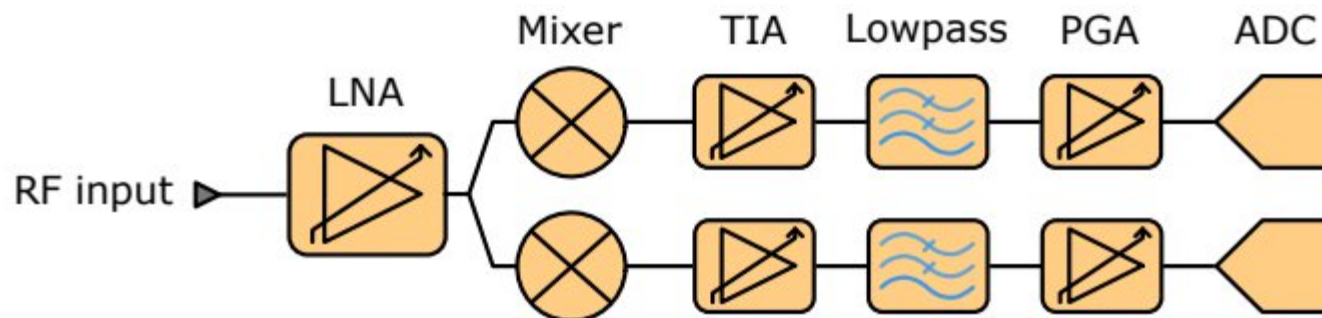
LimeSDR

- 12 Bit
- DCR
- 3 pole lowpass



USRP X310 (UBX)

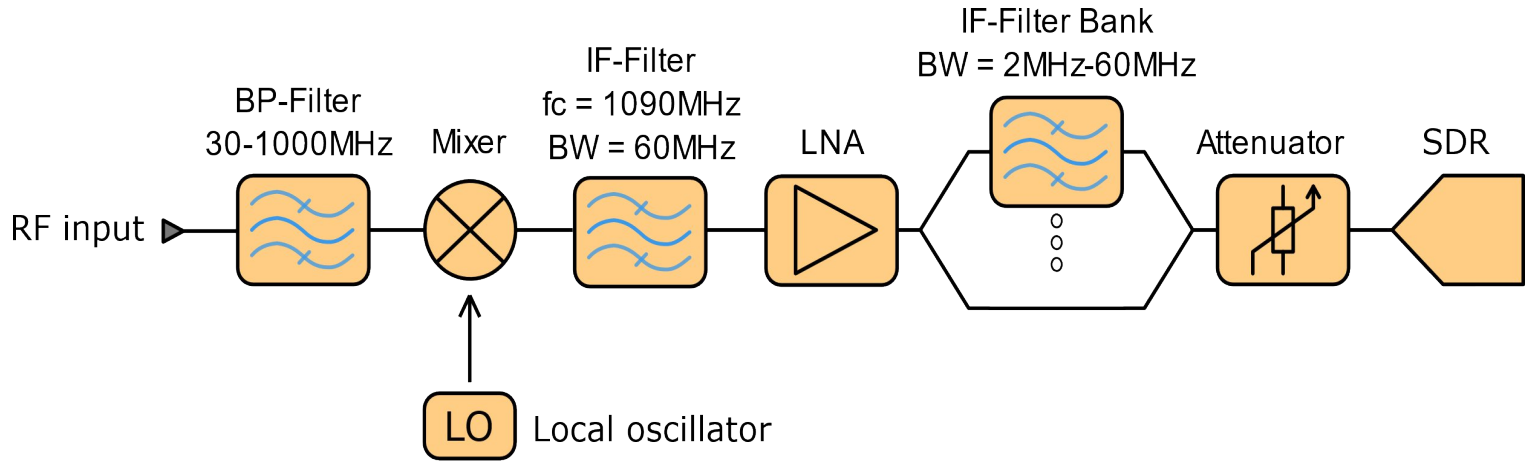
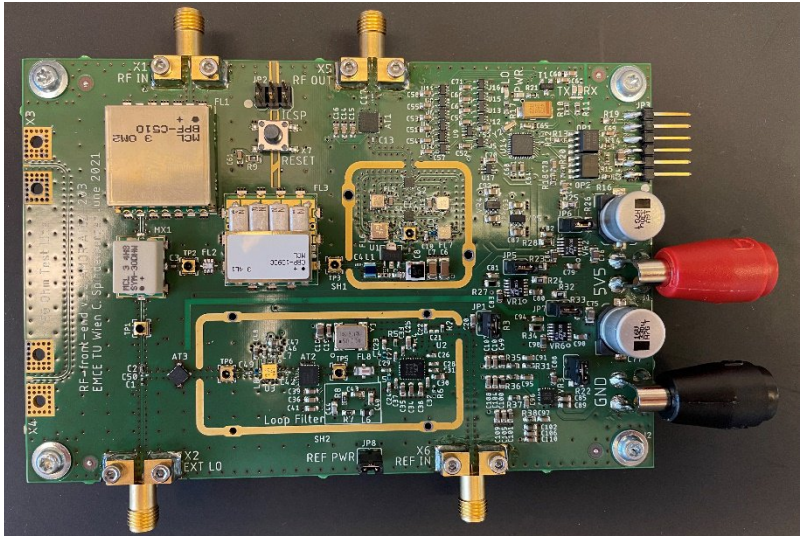
- 14 Bit
- DCR with second IF stage
- > 10 pole Lowpass
- LNA cannot be bypassed
- Gain setting easy, only one programmable attenuator

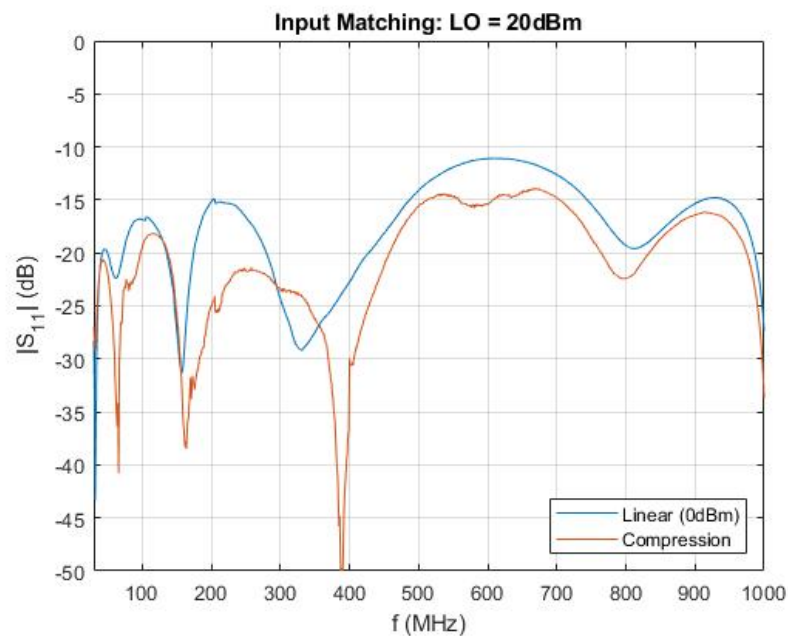
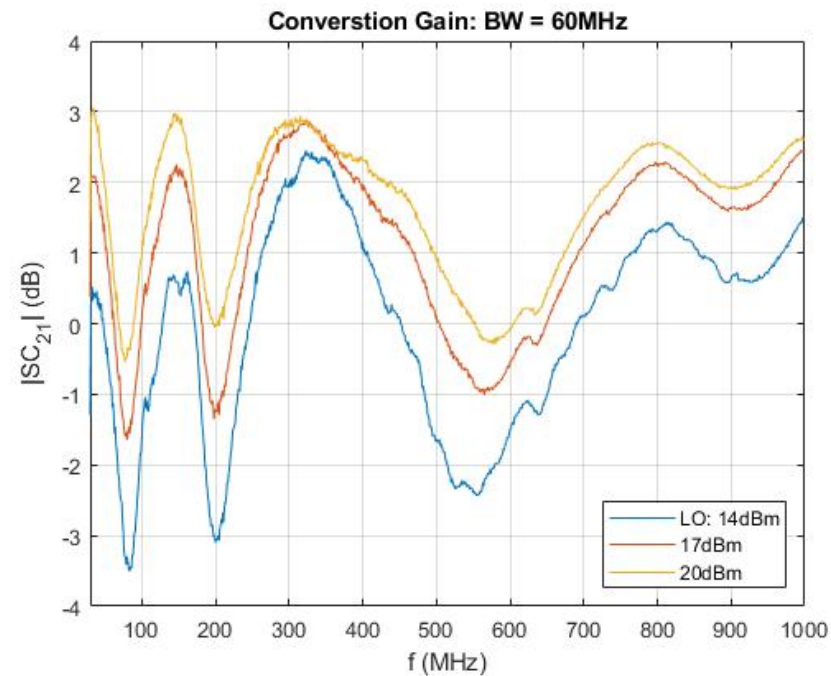
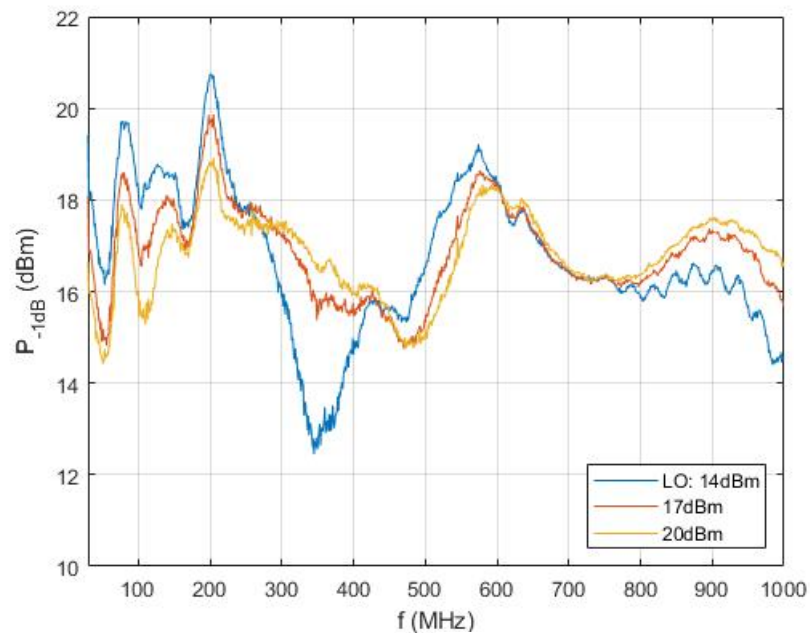


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RF Extension Board

- **Consisting of:**
 - Pre-selection filter
 - High DR mixer
 - High DR LNA
 - SAW IF filter bank (2MHz to 60MHz)
 - Attenuator
- **Replacing pre-selection filter bank**
- **Gain adaptation can be relaxed**





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- Noise figure and IMD measurements of the RF extension board
- Measuring optimum gain settings of SDRs
- Characterizing SDR performance in terms of CISPR 16-1-1
 - QP dynamic range
 - Harmonic distortion
 - Spectral regrowth etc.
 - Comparing with RF extension

Thank you for your attention!

