

Application Note



EMC Design Guide

F²MC-16LX Family

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1. Introduction

In the following description, the EMC design guide of 16-bit Fujitsu microcontrollers will be discussed. It describes how external power supply should be connected to the Vcc and Vss pins and offers some suggestions. An overview of internal supply of MCU is made as well to have a better understanding of the design. The EMI measurements in the following described tests are just example measurements. The measured emissions are no data, which are specified in the DS of the microcontroller series.

During the last designs the EMI of the Fujitsu 16LX microcontroller series could be reduced step by step. The PLL multiplier circuit allows the usage of low crystal frequency to reduce high-frequency noise from the oscillator circuit.

The clock tree is mostly the cause of the noise. Therefore the driver capability of clock buffers is optimised and for one big buffer are used several small clock buffers.

Further countermeasures like using of the MCU flash and core on a base of 3.3V level reduces the noise level of the package. For the PWM outputs it is possible to use the slew rate control. This means that the rise and fall time can ease to reduce the harmonics.

The integration of On-chip bypass capacitors reduces the noise ripple on the internal power supply net so that the broadband noise on the IO pins is improved.

The following description is based on the MB90F540 and 590 series, but the same situation exists for all current series of the 16LX family, with or without an external bus interface.

2. Rules to create a good Layout

1. Use max. trace-width and min. length to connect VSS and VDD μ C-pins to decoupling capacitors (DeCap)
2. Don't use stub line to connect the DeCap to μ C-pins, let flows the noise current direct through pads of DeCap
3. Use close ground plane direct below MCU package as shield
4. Use different ground systems for analogue, digital, power-driver and connector ground
5. Avoid loop current in the ground system, check for ground loops.
6. Use a star point ground below MCU for analogue and digital ground, use a second star point ground below 5V regulator for MCU, power-driver and connector ground
7. Don't create signal loop on the PCB, minimize trace length
8. Partitioned system into analogue, digital and power-driver section
9. Place series resistor or RC-block for the IO-circuit nearby MCU-pin to reduce the noise on the signal line.
10. Use a capacitor for each connector pin to reduce the noise of external lines, place this capacitor close to connector pin

3. Crystal Oscillator Circuit

Figure 1 shows the oscillator for the Fujitsu 16-bit family. For best performance, the PCB layout of this circuit should cover only a very small area. For the layout is recommended a PCB with two or more layers. Make sure to provide bypass capacitors via shortest distance from X0, X1 pins, crystal oscillator, and ground lines. The lines of the oscillation circuit should not cross lines of other circuits.

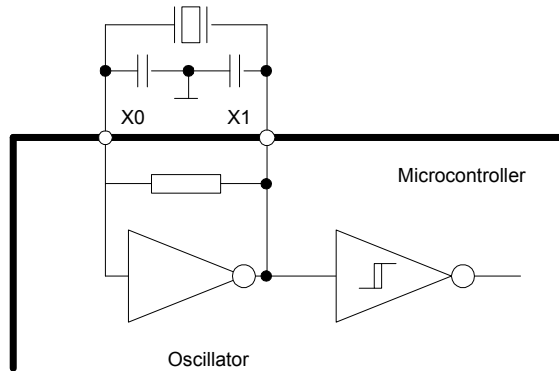
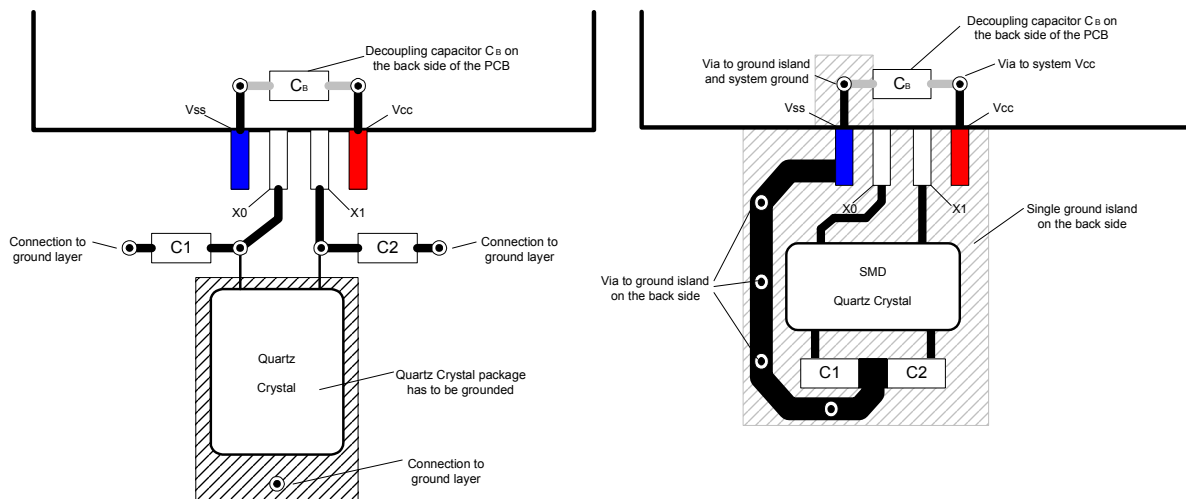


Figure 1: Principle of the Oscillator circuit

It is necessary to avoid coupling noise into the power supply (pin 81/84) of the clock circuit. The crystal oscillator has to be connected with short lines to X0/X1 and Vss. Note that pin X1 is the output of inverter. Particularly this track should have a short length.



a) Layout example for a leaded quartz crystal worse layout design, because C1 and C2 are wrong connected to VSS

b) Layout example for a SMD quartz crystal better layout design, because C1 and C2 are connected to Vss and then after with the system ground

Figure 2: Layout example for oscillator circuit

4. Power supply routing

One topic our noise reduction technology is lowering internal power supply voltage on 3V level to reduce the current flow. Fig. 2 shows the structure of 5V and 3V power supply.

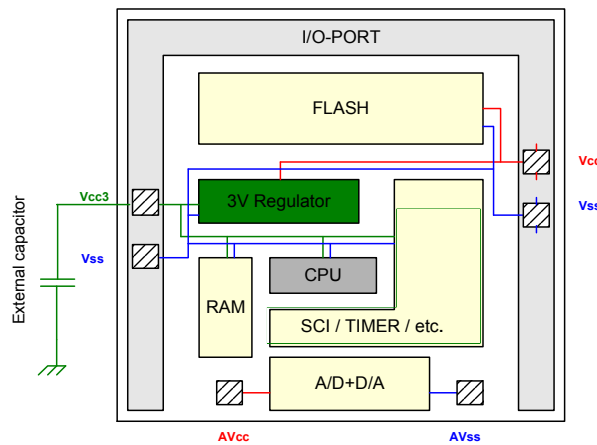


Figure 3: Structure of power supply for MCU core and IO-Port

Only the right placement and the value of decoupling capacitor (DeCap) guaranty the function of decoupling capacitors. The high speed current (di/dt) will be supported from DeCap only. The exactly use of DeCap is important for the noise reduction on the PCB.

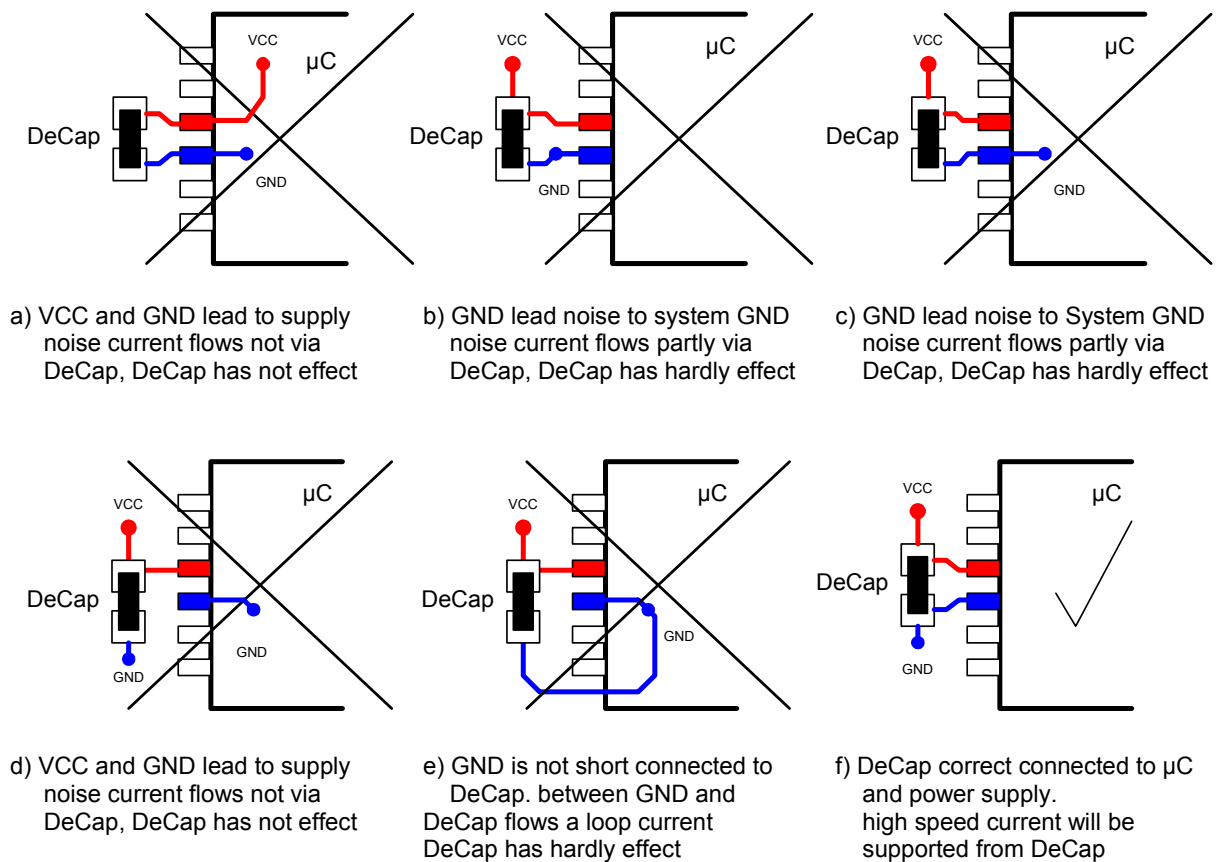


Figure 4: The exactly use of the DeCap (decoupling capacitor)

The high-speed current (di/dt) will be supported from the decoupling capacitor only. Therefore use traces with max. width and min. length between Vss/Vcc pin and DeCap. After DeCap use thin traces to route the trace to the power supply system.

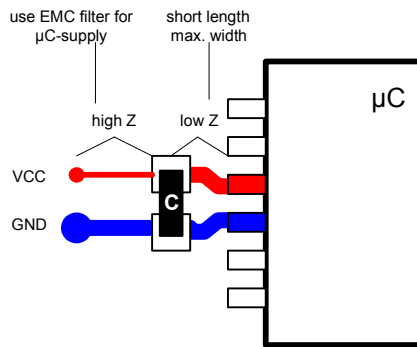


Figure 5: The noise current flows return over the ground line

The exactly use of decoupling capacitors for the Vcc and Vss pins is the basis to reduce the noise, but also the return way between load and MCU ground is not neglect.

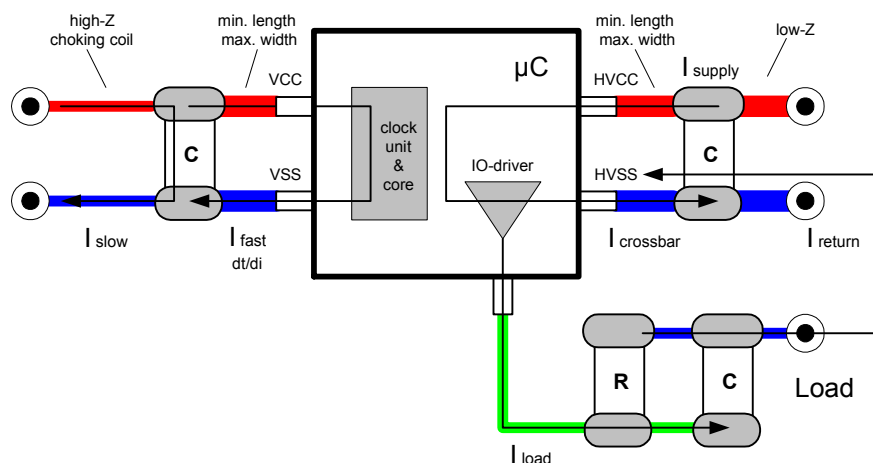


Figure 6: The noise current flows return over the ground line

To ensure an efficient decoupling of the power supply, two capacitors should be placed close on each Vcc pin. The values of both capacitors should have a relationship of about 1:100. Typical values are e.g. 100nF (XR7) and 1nF (COG). The accurate value is depended on the application board, e.g. impedance of PCB or the length of supply lines. However, all of the DeCaps on the PCB should have the same value.

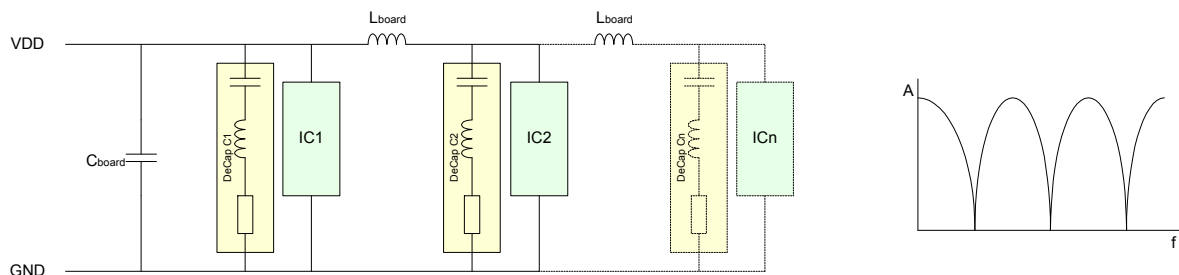


Figure 7: The use of several values of DeCaps lead to undefined resonance frequencies, that's why all DeCaps should have the same value.

For 2-layer boards should be used a closed ground plane (located directly below the MCU). The Vcc supplies should be taken from the bottom layer.

For 4-layer boards should be used the inside layers for GND and Vcc supplies. In this case, both layers form additional capacitor (broadband behaviour) for the power supply.

Figure 8 shows an example of a star connection for Vcc supplies on the MCU. This method of Vcc connection reduces the loop of the Vcc lines around the MCU, thus reducing noise emission. A variation of this circuit may be needed, if separate filtered supply voltages are routed to the A/D supplies (pin 34/37).

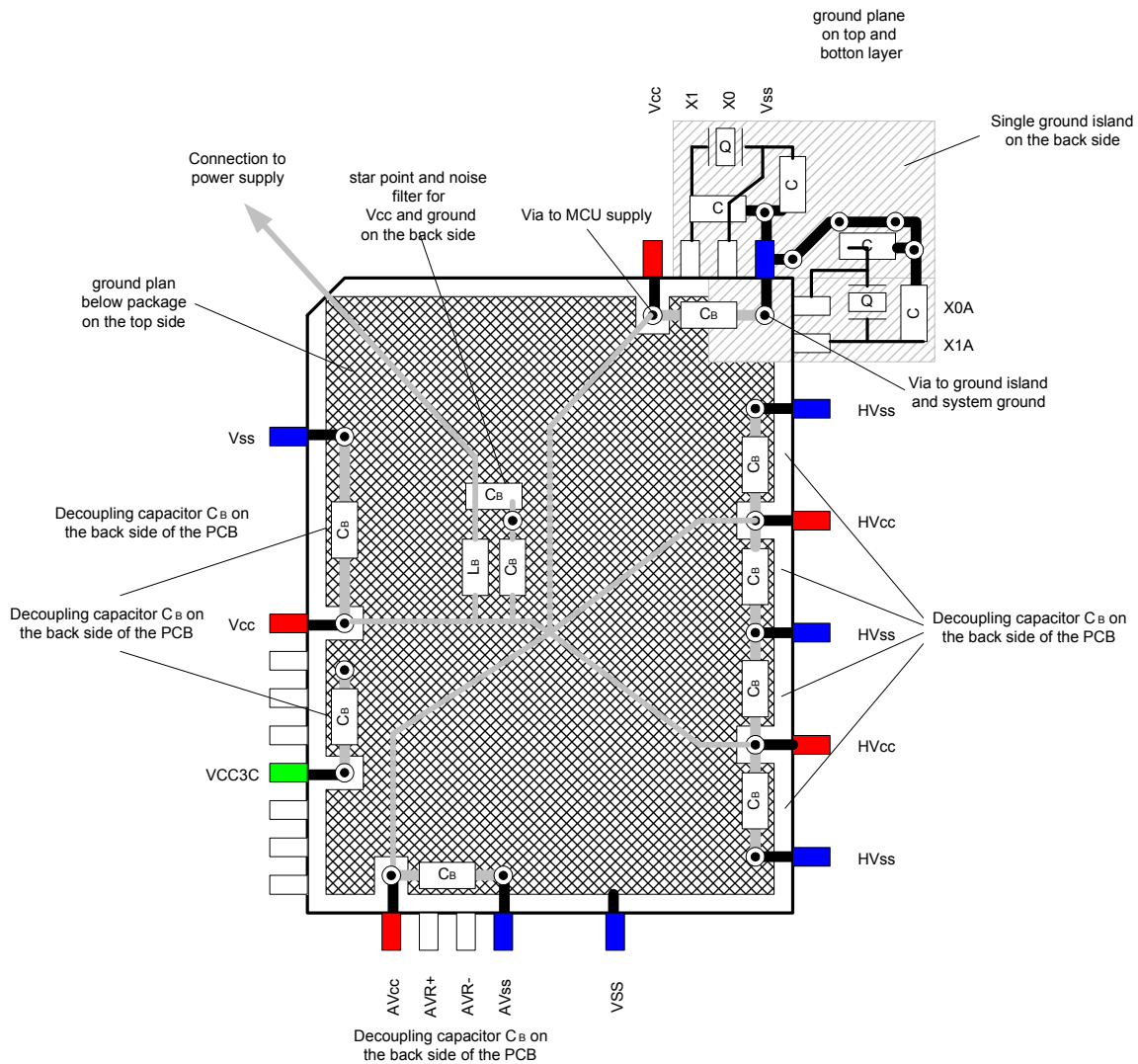


Figure 8: 16LX family with a subclock or stepper motor driver, recommended layout for multiple layers PCB

Note: All decoupling capacitors on the Vcc pins should have the same value. These capacitors should be placed close to the Vcc pin. The Vcc/Vss current should flow through the pad of the capacitor.

5. Noise reduction for general IO pins

To reduce noise, make sure to connect the Vss or Vcc with smoothed power supply, because the noise on the power supply will also distributed via IO-pin, which is configured as static low or high output. Figure 9 shows an example to reduce the noise on output lines.

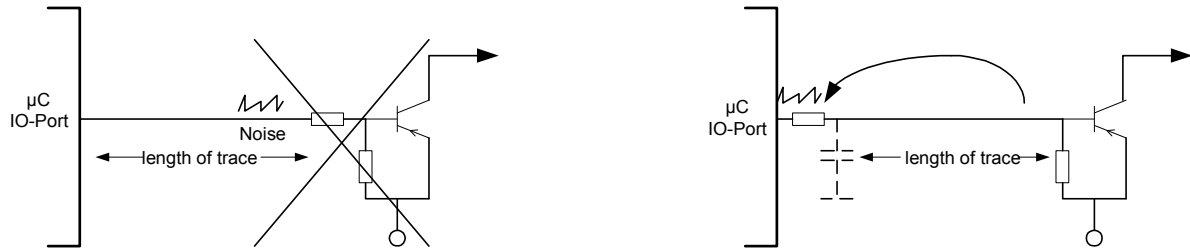


Figure 9: Place the series resistor close to IO pin because so will be reduced the noise of output

Note: To reduce noise, make sure to connect unused input pins to Vss or Vcc (Use pull-down or pull-up resistor, please check the DS of the microcontroller series). Also, especially if CMOS Logic is used, floating gates could generate problems regarding high input currents and latch up.

6. Function of certain MCU pins

Pin name	Pin no.	Function
VCC	23 84	Main supply for IO buffer MCU core close to input the internal 3.3V regulator close to crystal oscillator
VSS	11 84	Main supply for IO buffer and MCU core close to the internal 3.3V regulator close to crystal oscillator
C	27	External smooth capacitor for internal 3.3V regulator output, it is used for supply of the MCU core Note, that this pin leads the most of noise
AVCC	34	Power supply for the A/D converter
AVSS	37	Power supply for the A/D converter
AVRL	35	Reference voltage input for the A/D converter
AVRH	36	Reference voltage input for the A/D converter
DVCC HVCC	58 68	Power supply for the PWM (high current) outputs, it is not connected to VCC, should be connected to extra power supply
DVSS HVSS	53 63	Power supply for the PWM (high current) outputs, it is not connected to VSS, should be connected to extra power supply
X0 X0A	82 80	Oscillator input, if not used so shall be connected with pull-up or pull-down resistor (see please DS)
X1 X1A	83 79	Oscillator output, the crystal and bypass capacitor must be connected via shortest distance with X1 pin, if not used so shall be open

7. EMI Measurement for LX16-family

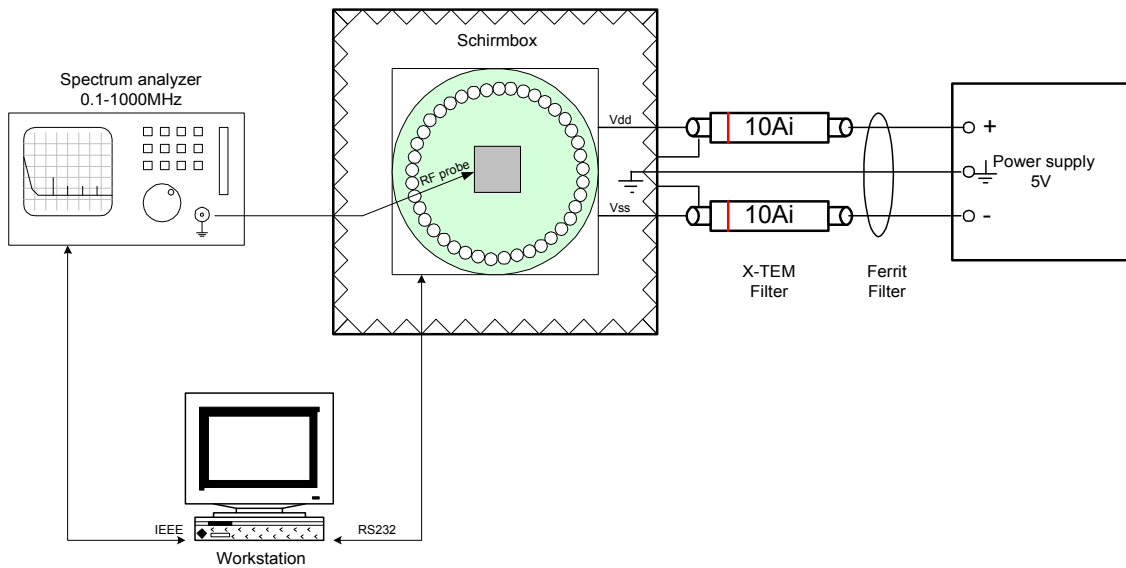


Figure 10: Measuring setup

PLL	CKSCR	Remarks
16 MHz	0xBB	default after reset
12 MHz	0xBA	
8 MHz	0xB9	
4 MHz	0xB8	
2 MHz	0xDC	PLL disabled

Table 1: CKSC- settings for several PLL frequencies

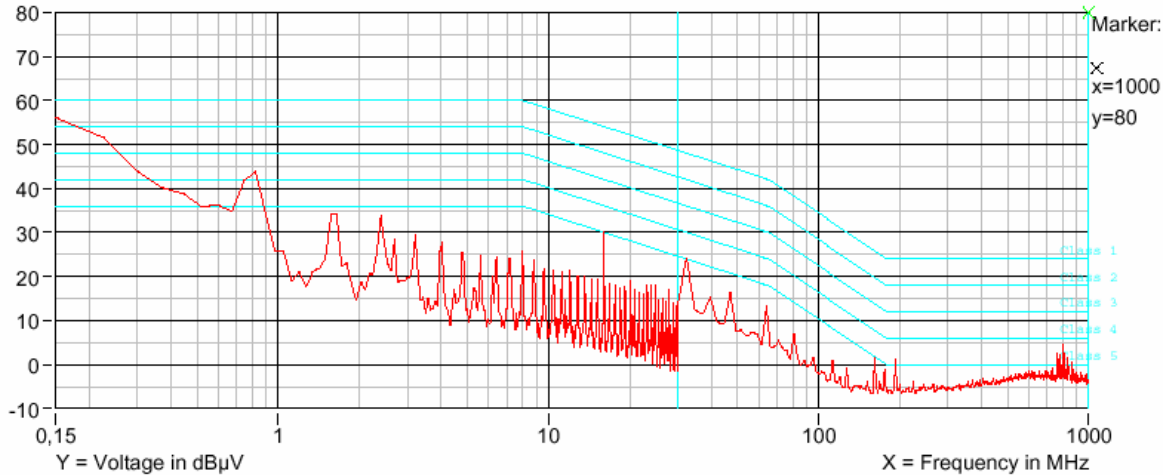
Port	Function	I/O-State
port x0	output	high
port x1	output	low
port x2	output	2 kHz toggling
port x3	input	-
port x4	output	high
port x5	output	low
port x6	output	2 kHz toggling
port x7	input	-

Table 2: I/O port settings for toggle test

Probe	Pin	Remarks
GND	GND	common ground
GND1	DVSS	oscillator/ext. bus
GND2	VSS	I/O-ground
GND3	AVSS	analog ground

Table 3: Ground measurement with 1ohm probe

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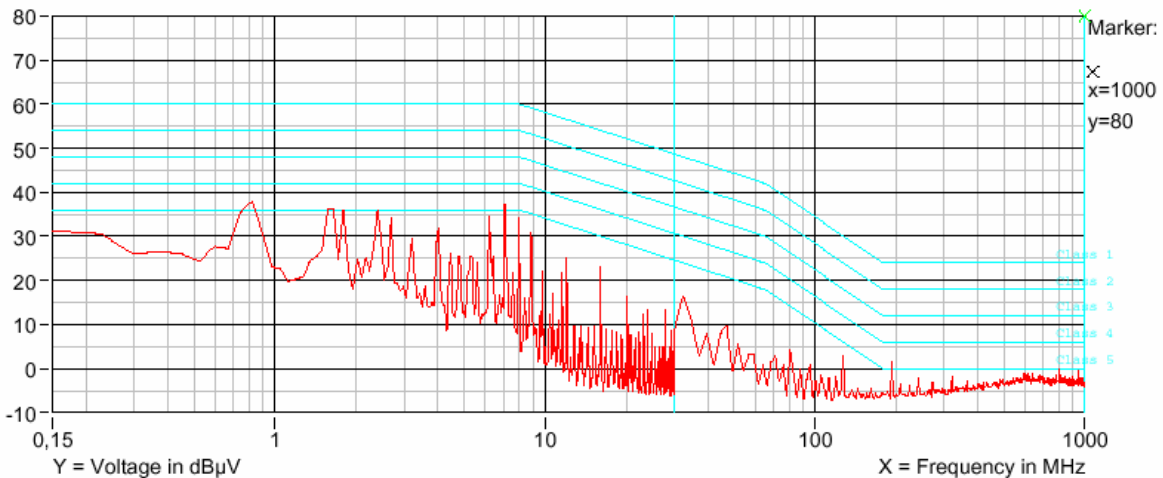
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Toggle-Test (2 kHz)

common GND

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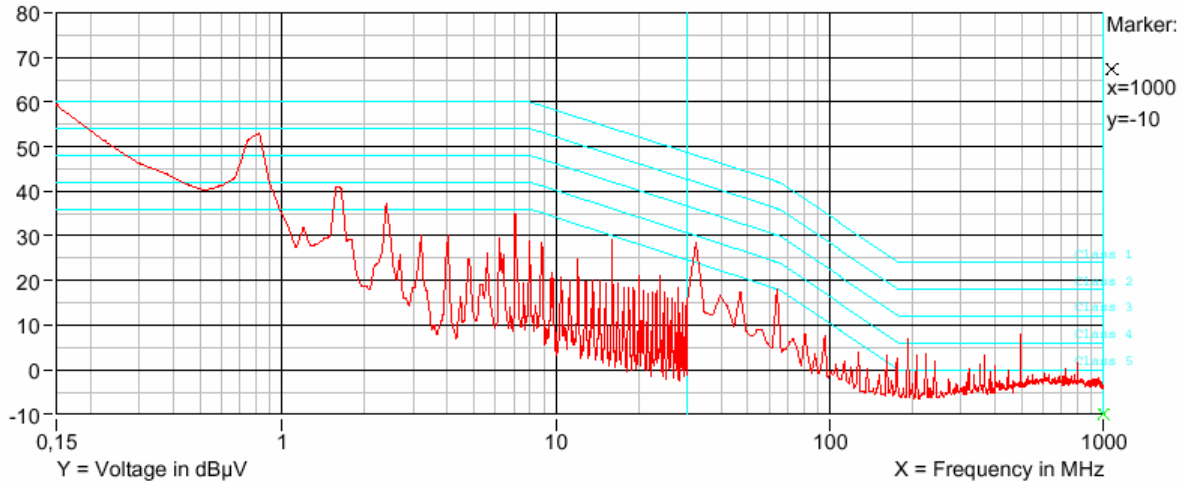
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X = Frequency in MHz

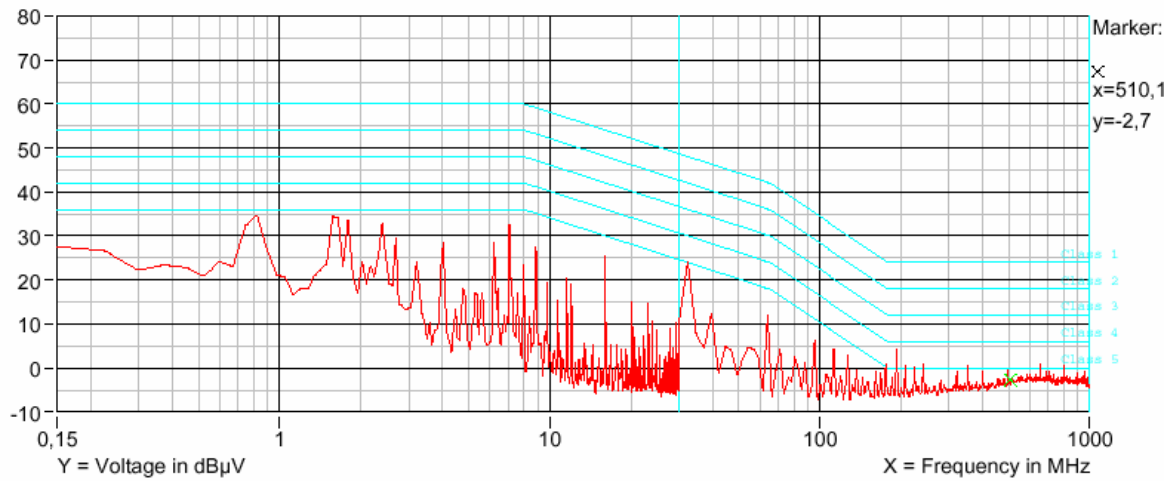
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GND2

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X = Frequency in MHz

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