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Touch current analysis on SMPS designed for energy efficiency regulations

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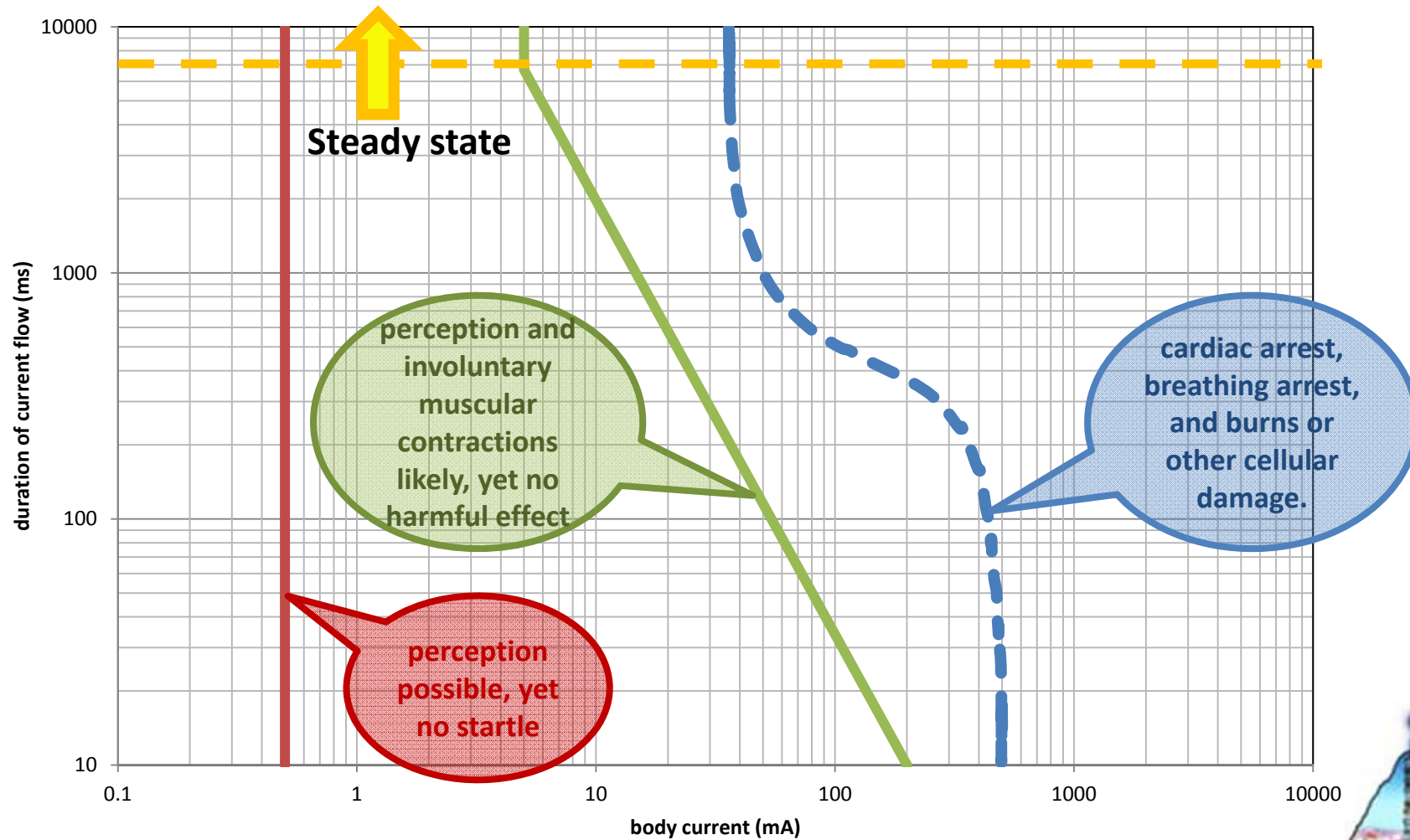


**how many times have you heard that
“it’s not the volts that’ll kill you, but the
amps”?**

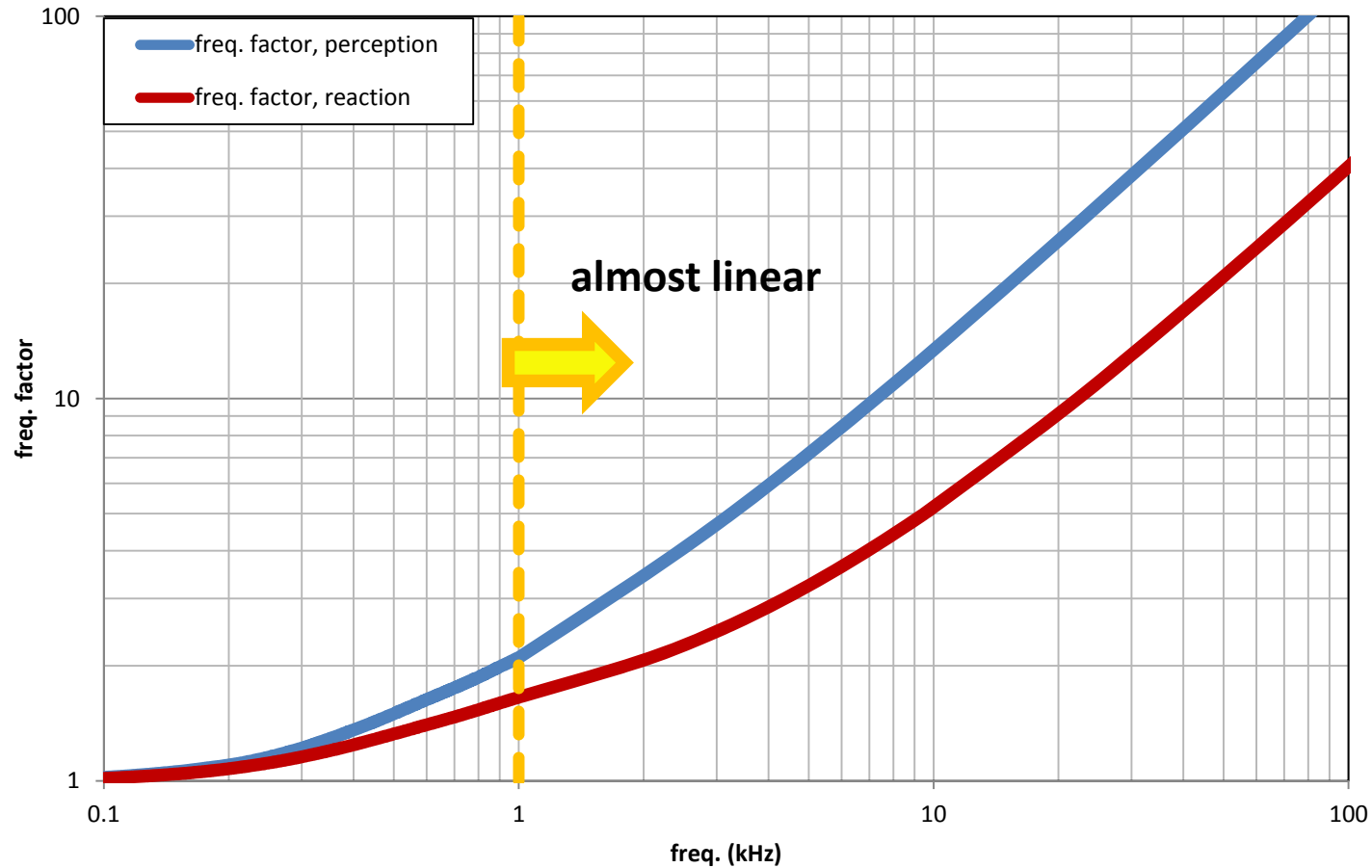
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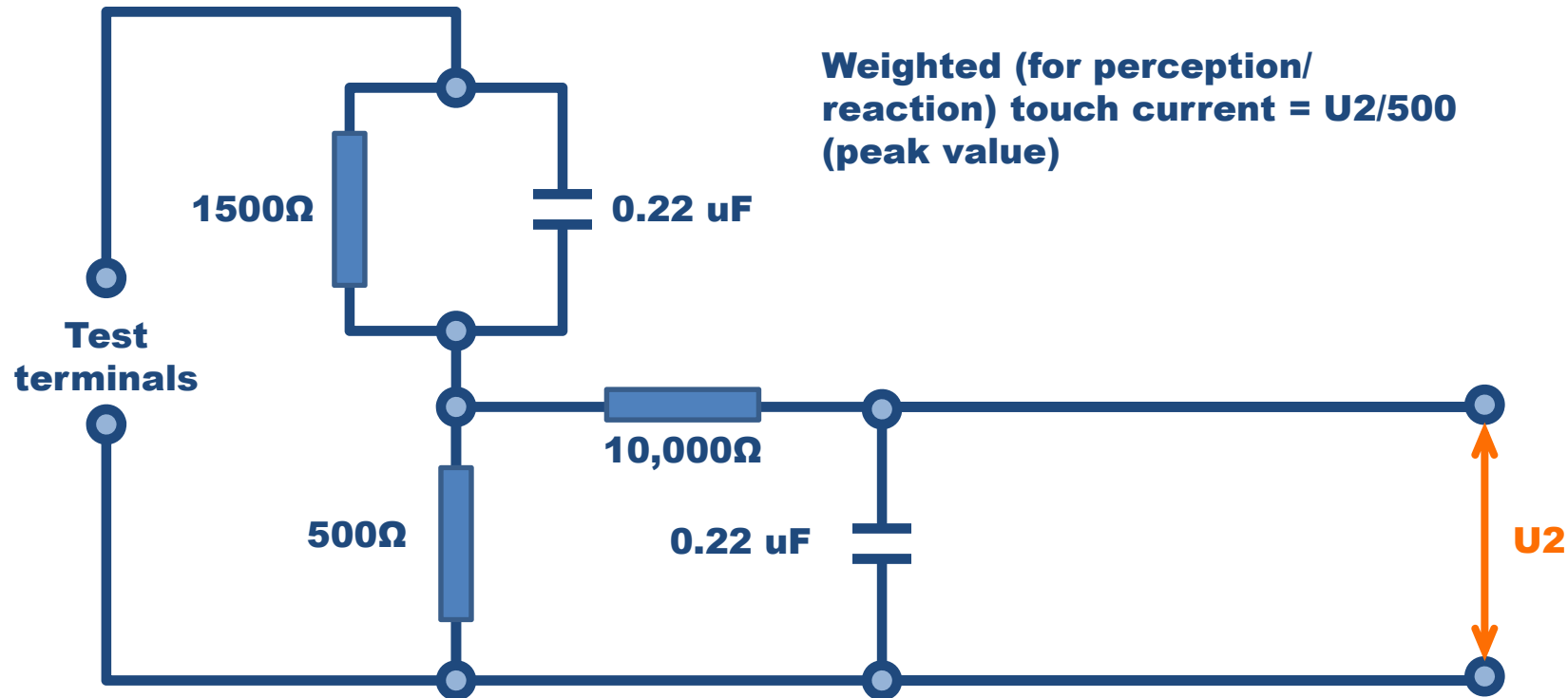
Basis of touch current: ac, iec 60479-1



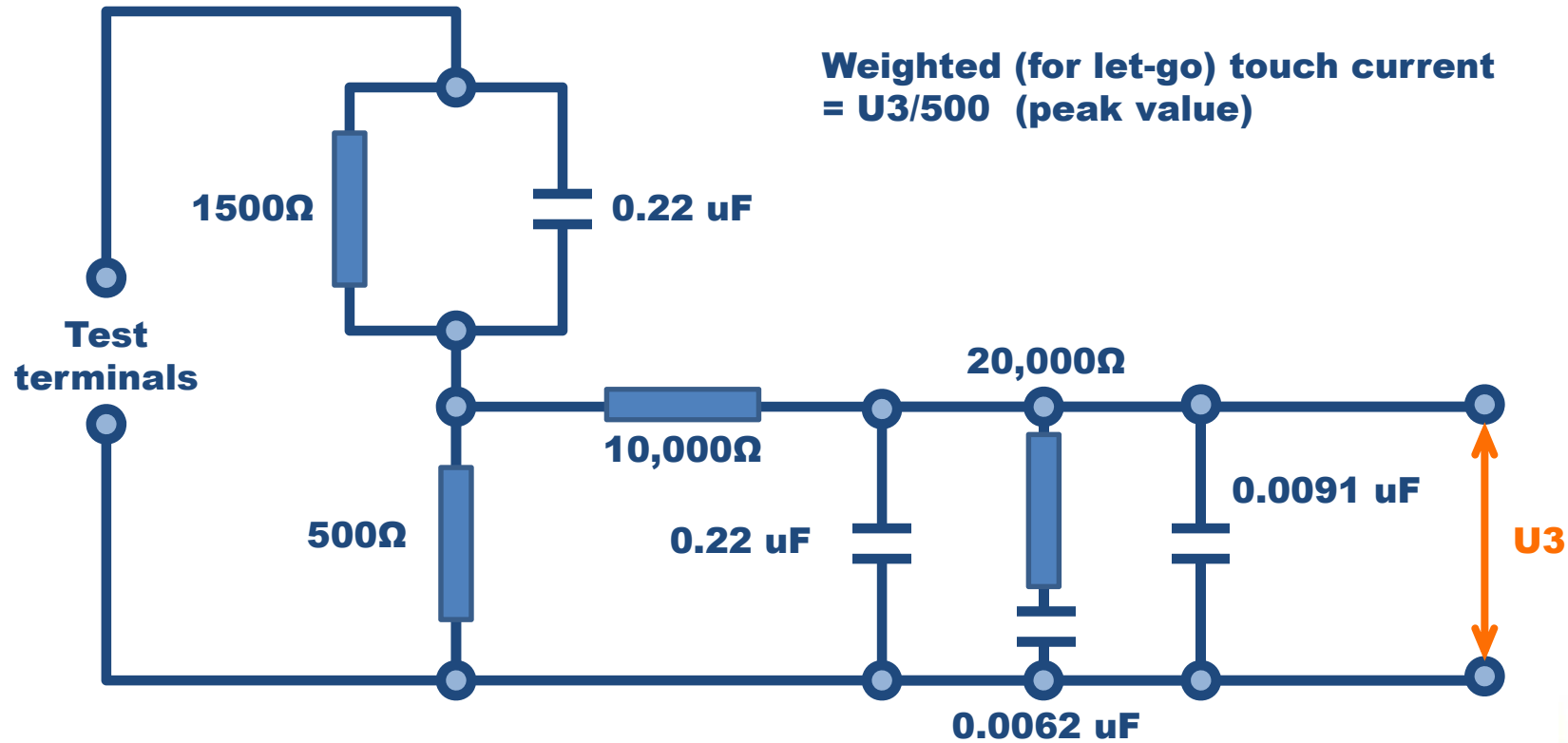
Basis of touch current: HF effect



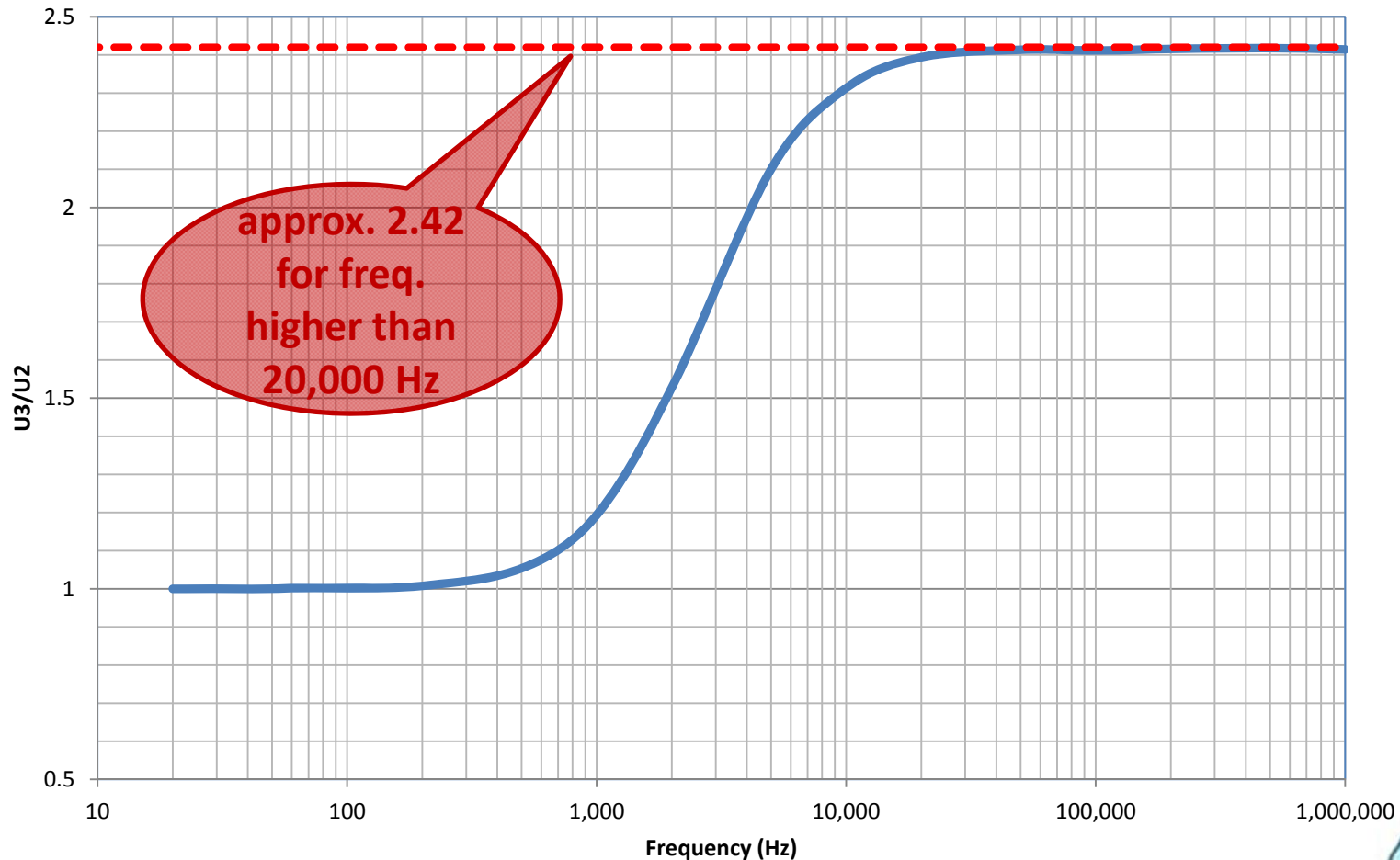
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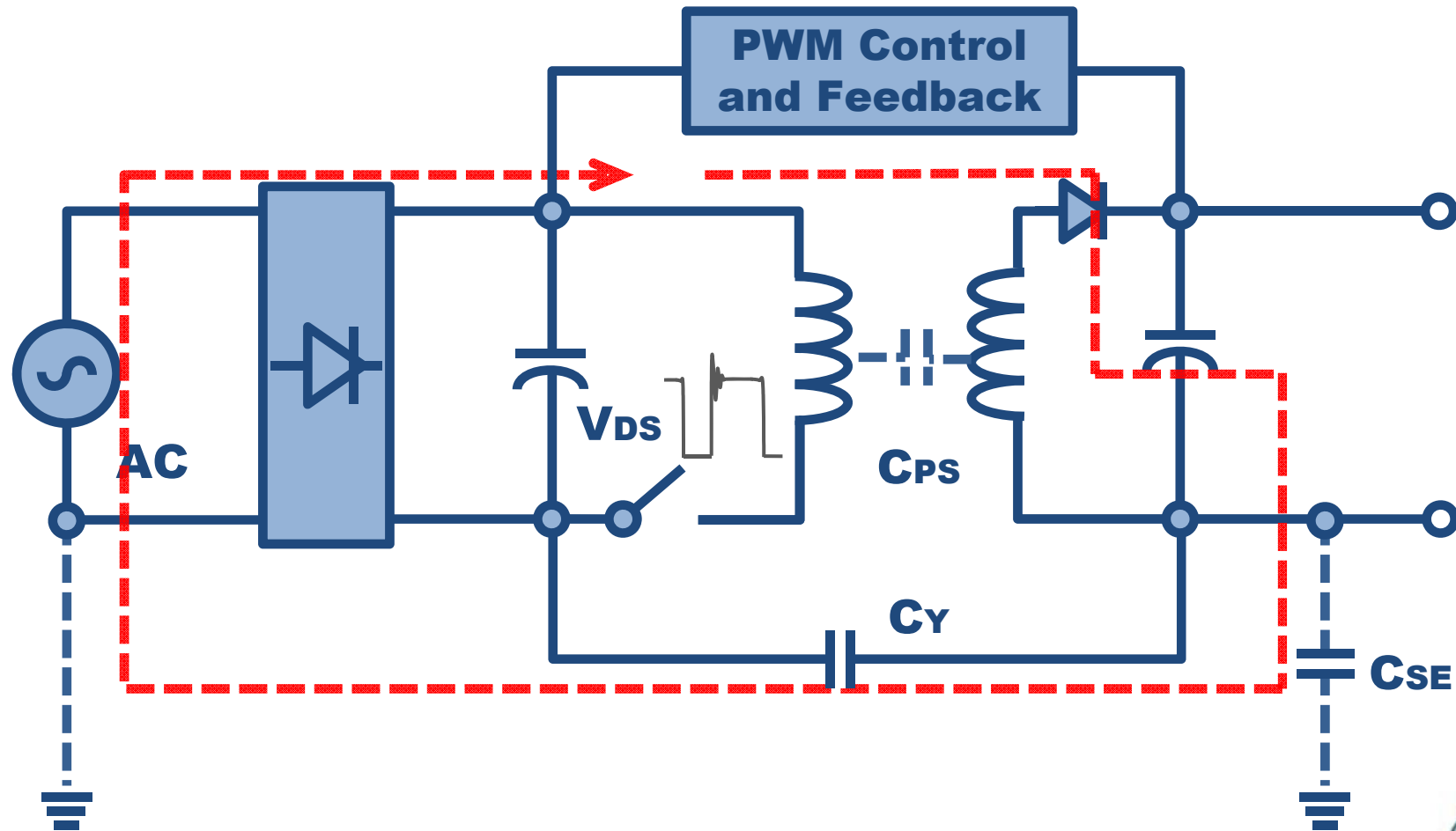
measurement network by iec 60990, for let-go



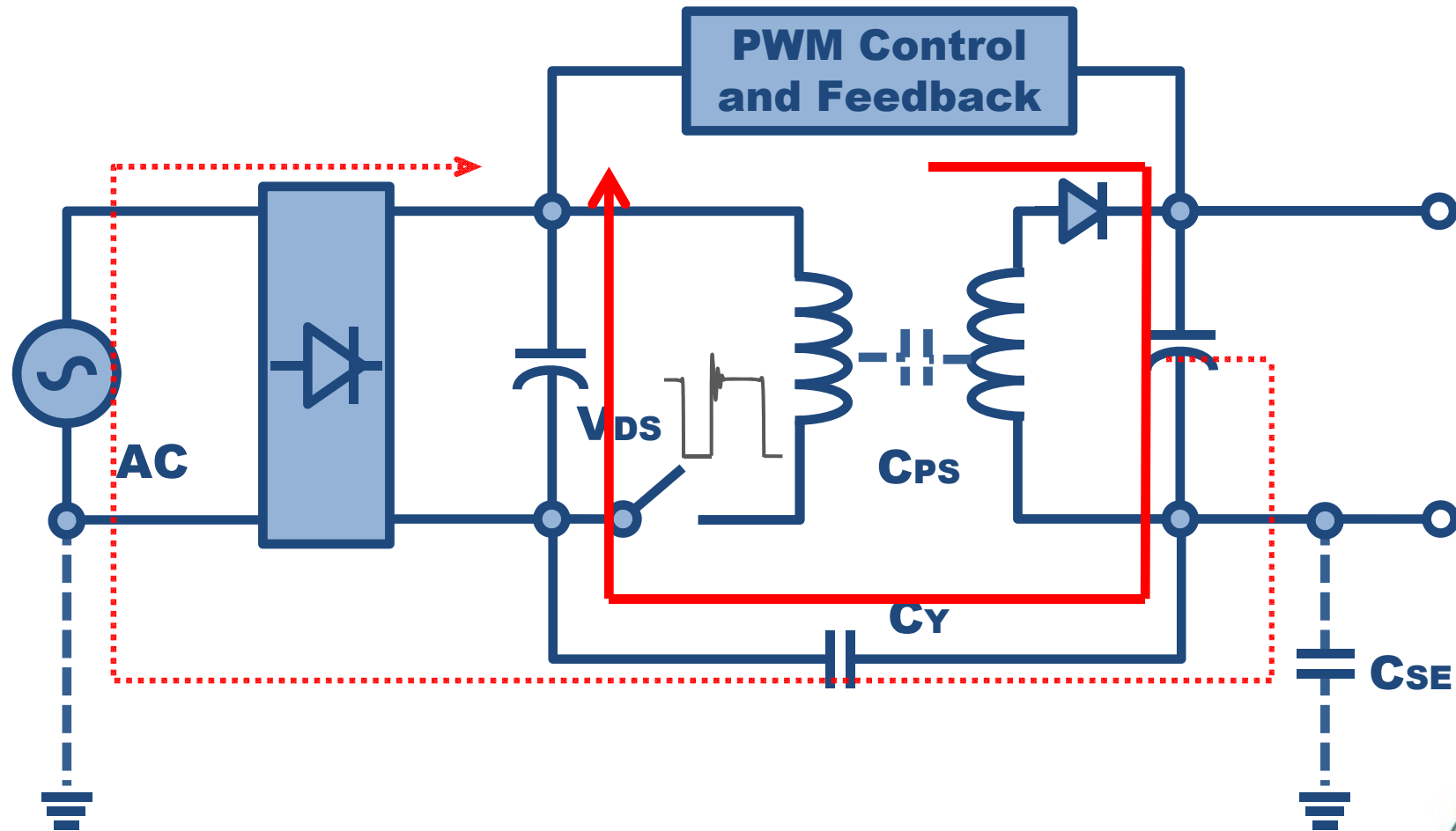
Difference between Fig. 4 and Fig. 5



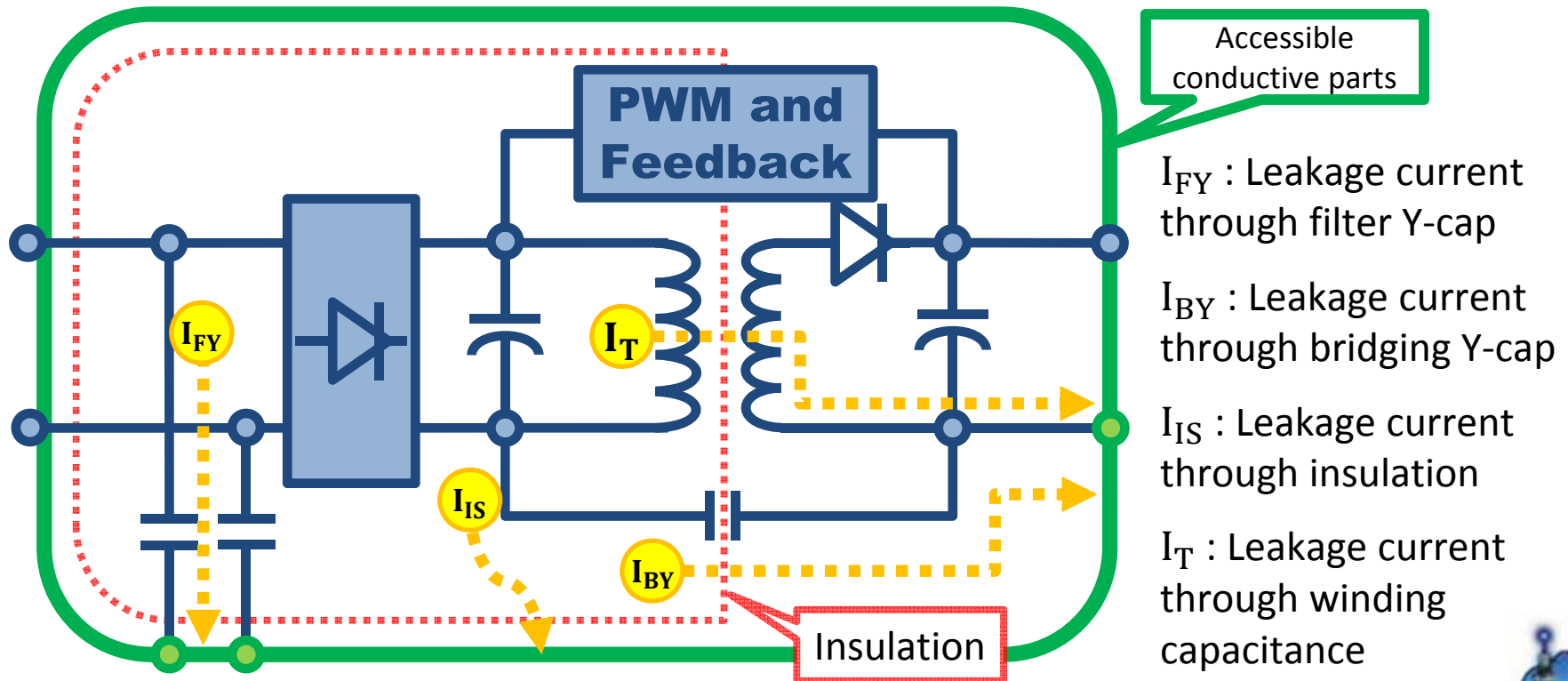
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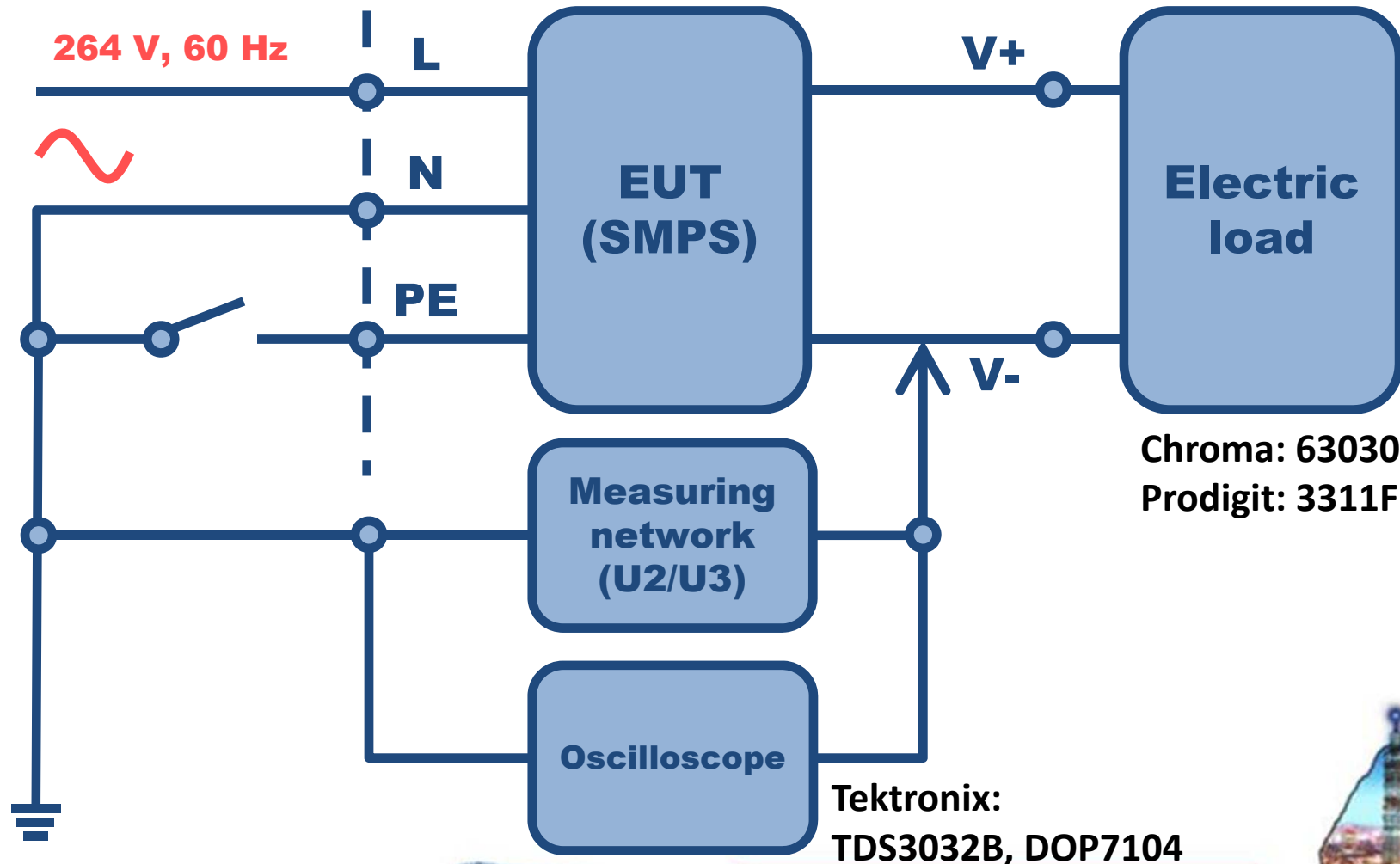
EMI and touch current




Touch current of an SMPS



Set-up of experiment




Samples: EPS

Output (W)	Topology	PFC	Filter Y-cap (PF)	Bridging Y-cap (PF)	Efficiency level
15	Flyback	None	None	680 x 1	
90	Flyback	active	None	2200 x 1	
120	Flyback	active	None	1000 x 2	
180	Resonant	active	2200 x 2	2200 x 2	

*Loading conditions: 0%, 25%, 50%, 75%, 100% of max. nameplate current



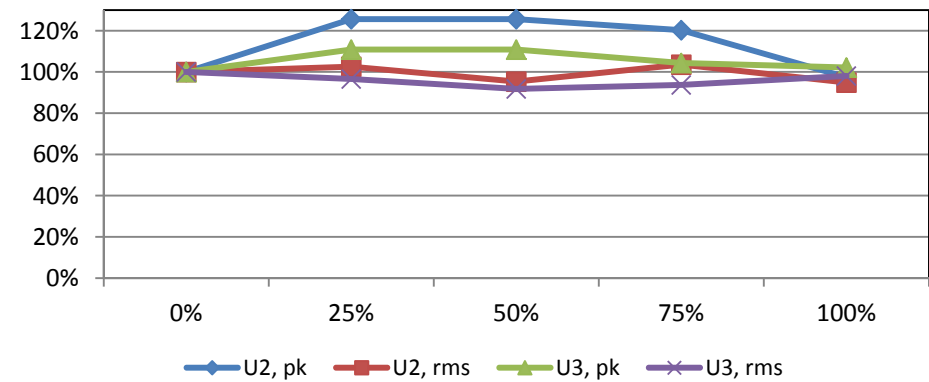
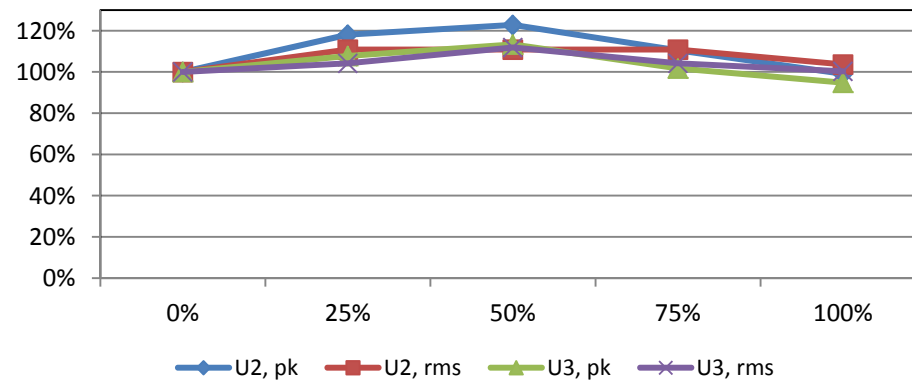
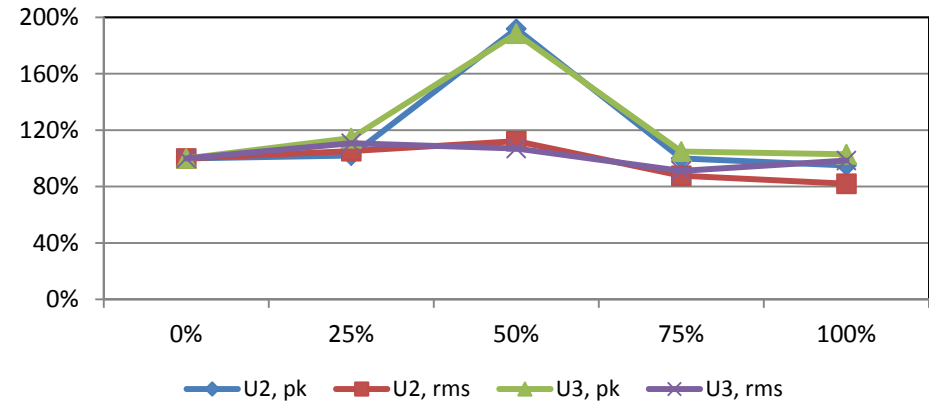
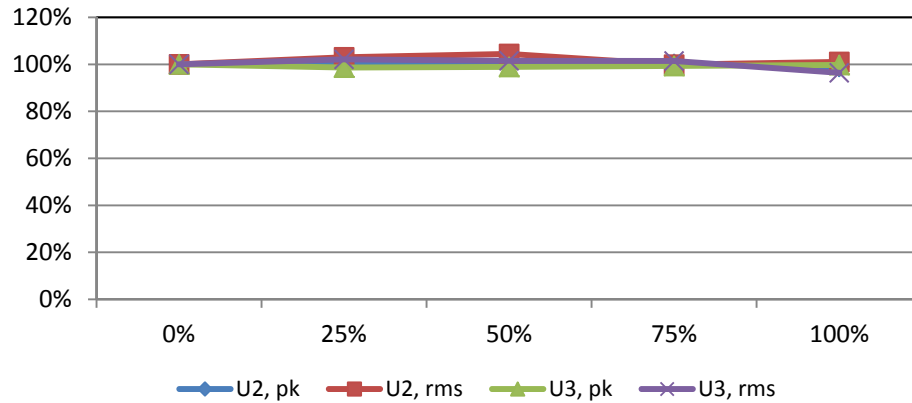
Samples: PC powers

Output (W)	Topology	PFC	Filter Y-cap (PF)	Bridging Y-cap (PF)	Efficiency level
300	Dual-switch forward + flyback	active	2200 x 2 1000 x 2	2200 x 1	
350					
400					
300	Dual-switch forward + flyback	active	2200 x 2 1000 x 2	2200 x 1	none
350					
400					

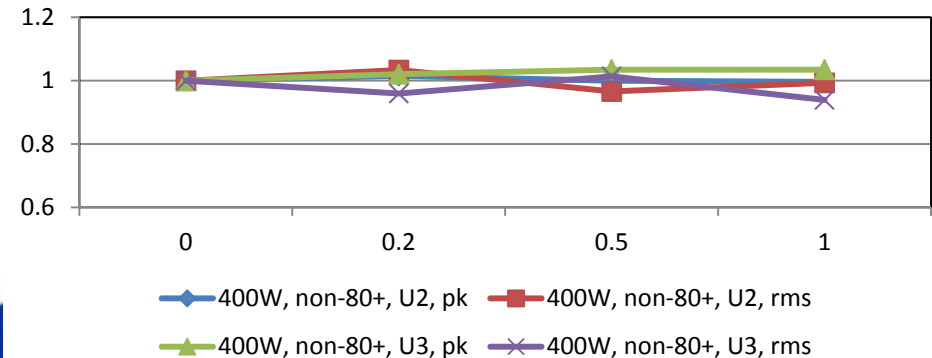
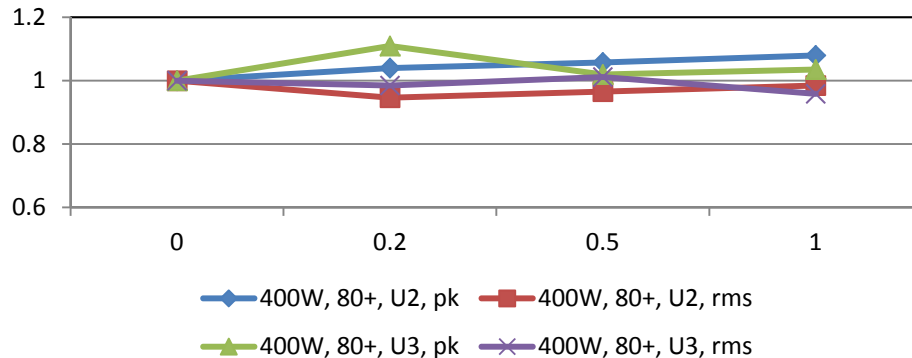
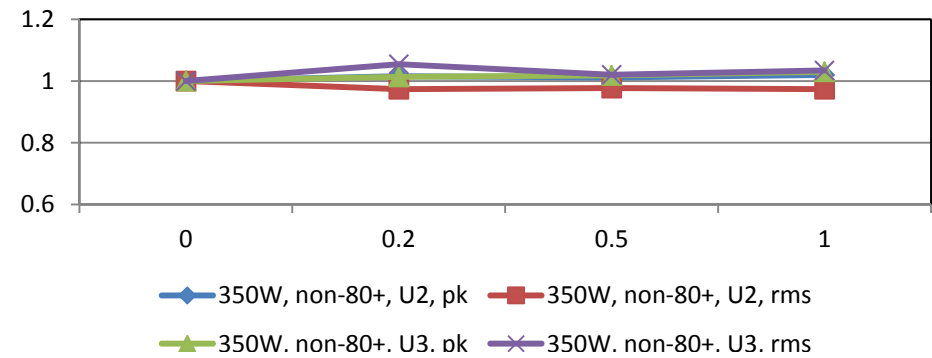
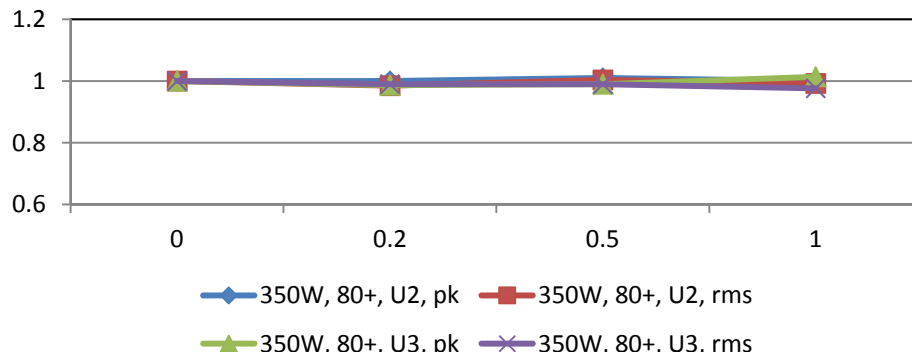
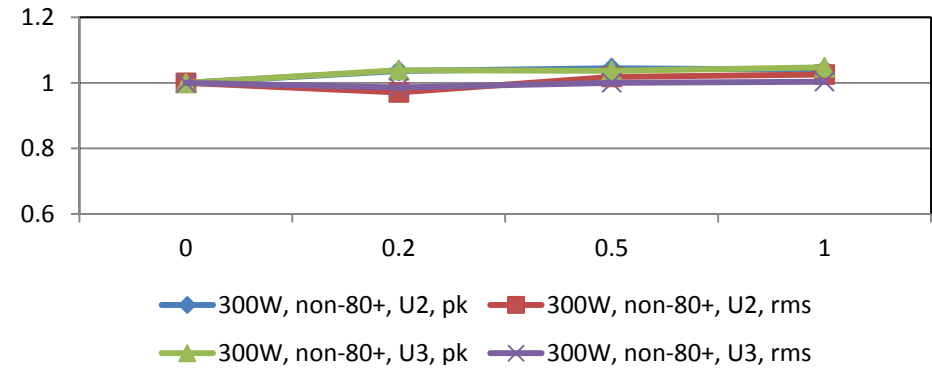
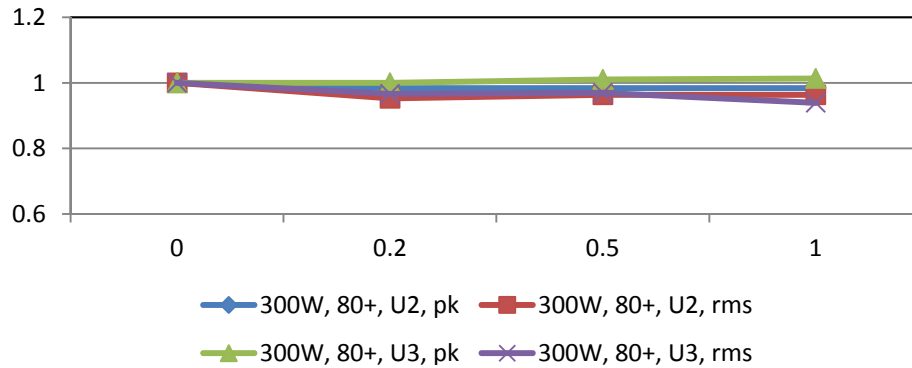
Loading conditions: 0%, 25%, 50%, 75%, 100% of max. nameplate current
 Flyback: transformer for standby power (+5Vsb)



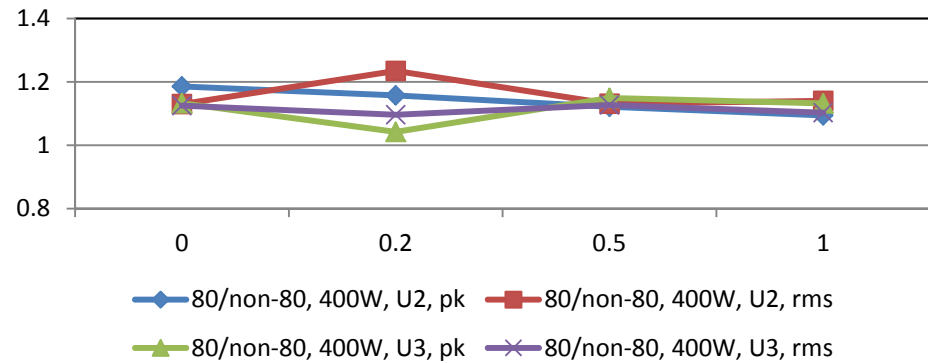
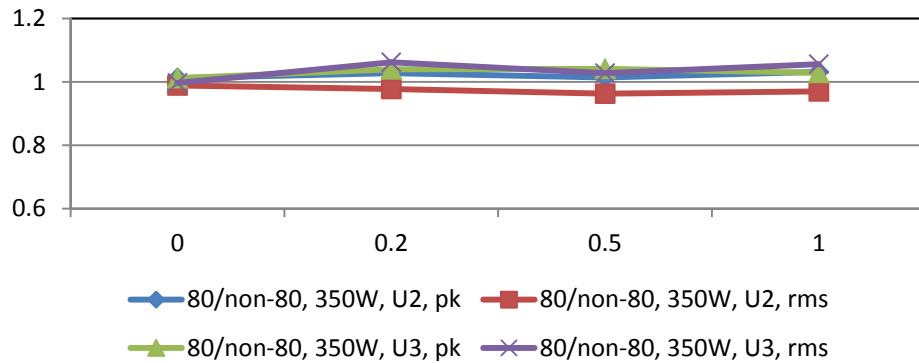
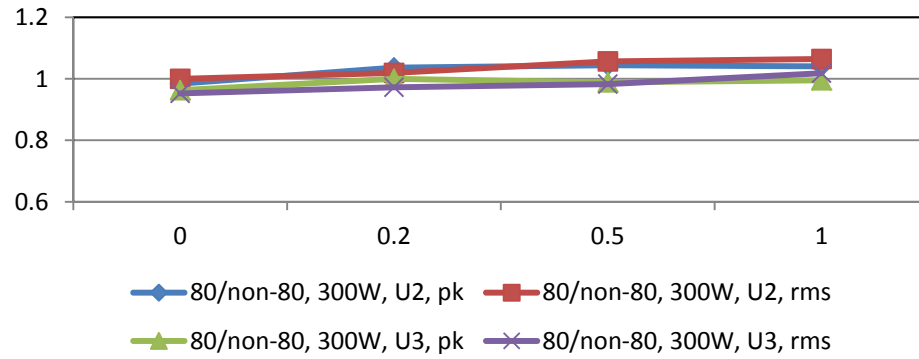
Result: EPS



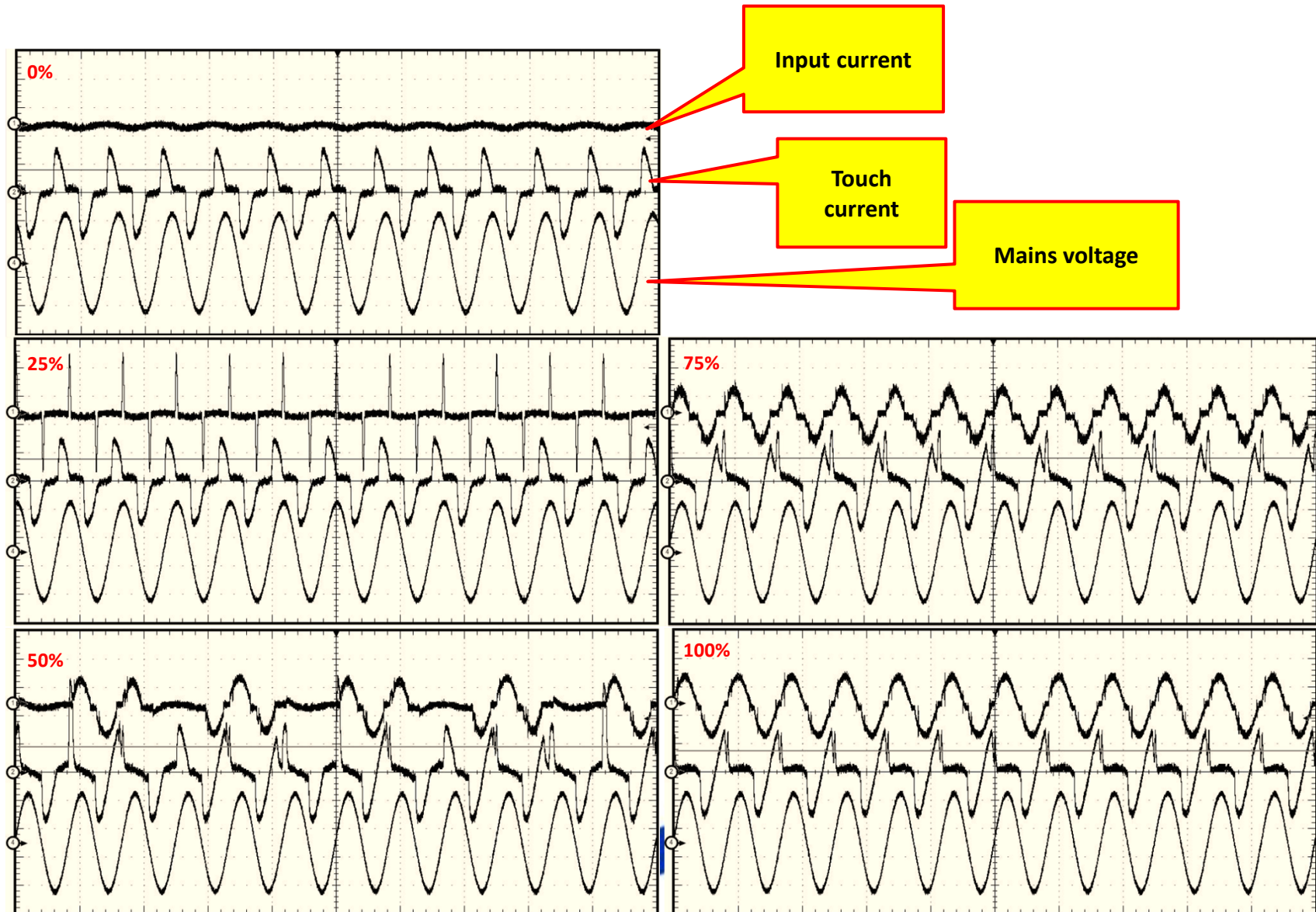
Result: PC powers



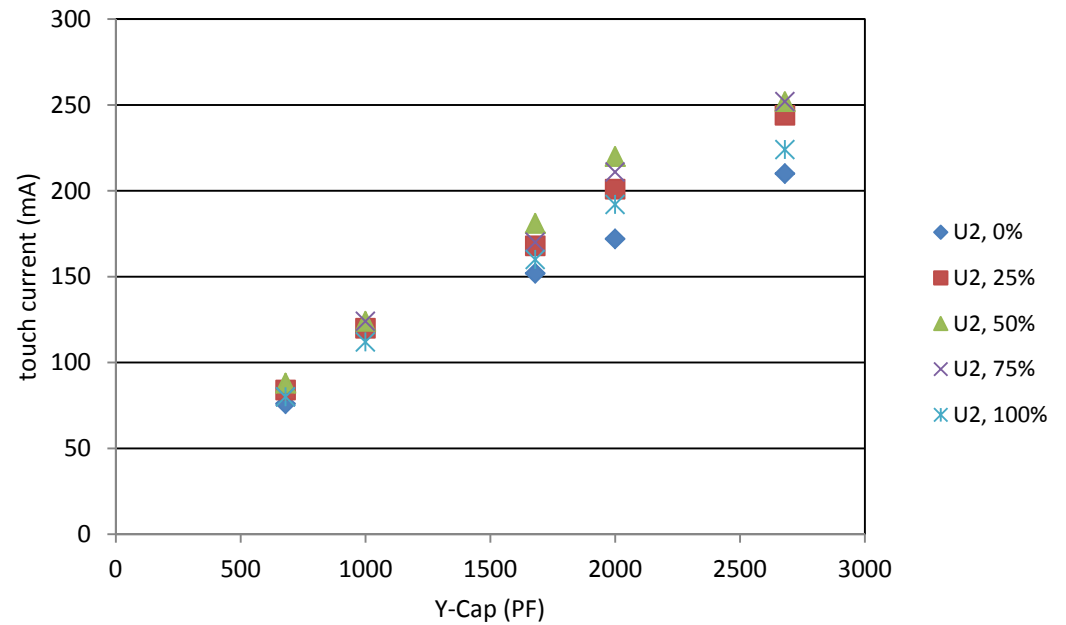
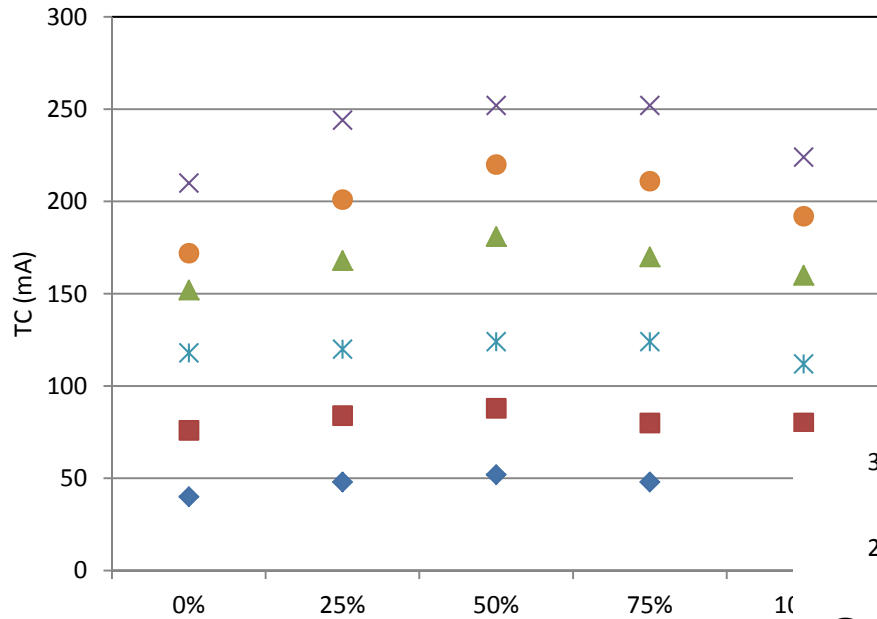
Result: PC powers (cont.)



Observation: EPS, 90W



Hypothesis: only bridging Y is influenced by loading



Recommendation

- Touch current shall be measured with the EuT loaded
- Peak measurement is more appropriate than rms measurement
- Keep the EuT completed!!

