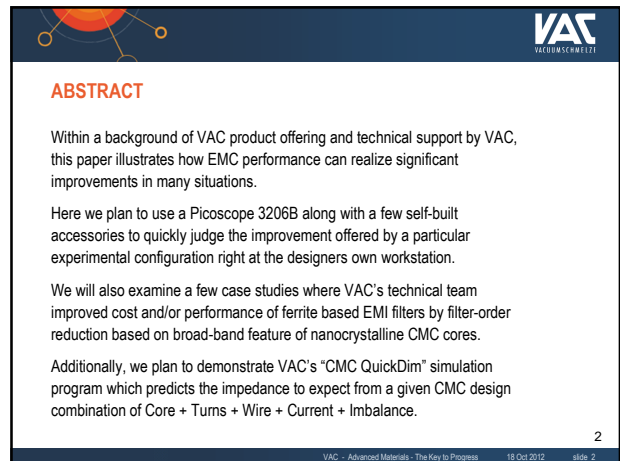


VAC Nanocrystalline Components – The EMI Solution

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ABSTRACT

Within a background of VAC product offering and technical support by VAC, this paper illustrates how EMC performance can realize significant improvements in many situations.

Here we plan to use a Picoscope 3206B along with a few self-built accessories to quickly judge the improvement offered by a particular experimental configuration right at the designers own workstation.

We will also examine a few case studies where VAC's technical team improved cost and/or performance of ferrite based EMI filters by filter-order reduction based on broad-band feature of nanocrystalline CMC cores.

Additionally, we plan to demonstrate VAC's "CMC QuickDim" simulation program which predicts the impedance to expect from a given CMC design combination of Core + Turns + Wire + Current + Imbalance.

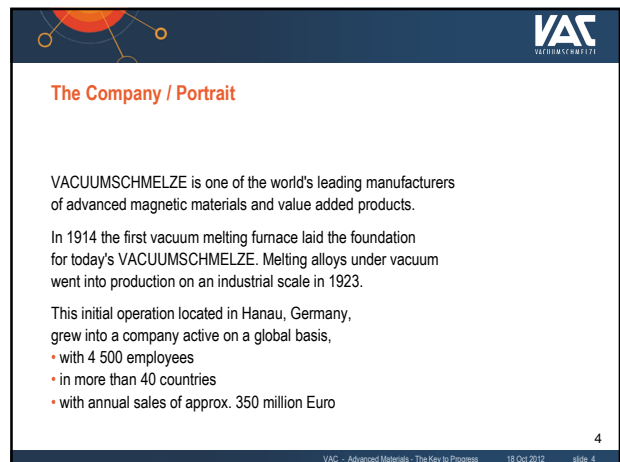
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VAC Supports EMI Compliant Designs

- VAC Overview
- Common Mode Chokes
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 - Nanocrystalline Cores for CMC
 - Analysis of Customer's data
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 - Custom CMC designs
 - Analysis of Customer's product
 - Samples
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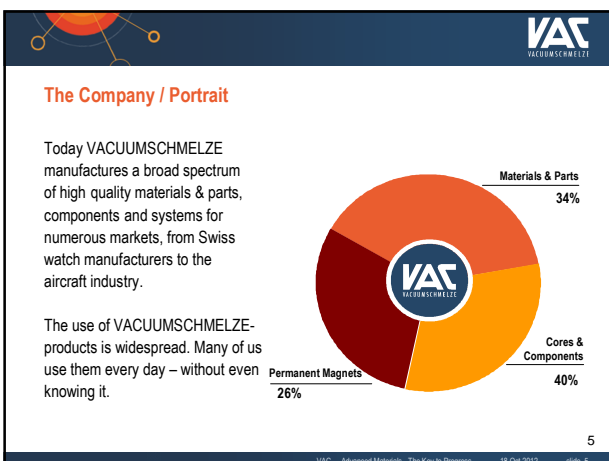
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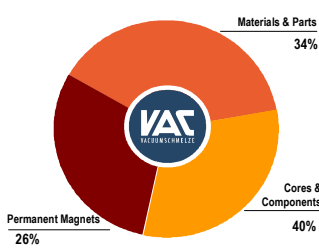
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Materials & Parts	34%
Cores & Components	40%

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VAC Products FOR EMI APPLICATIONS

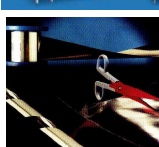
Cores for Common Mode Chokes



Common Mode Chokes



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Item no.: 6166-X039
 Datum: 23.01.2012
 Common Mode Choke

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Operational principle of the CMC

- equal no. of turns wound in opposite direction.
- only slight attenuation of symmetrical currents.
- strong „common-mode“ damping against asymmetric currents.
- μ and B_s must be safe against unbalanced currents.

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Cores for CMC

A discussion of why Nanocrystalline VP500F is the best core material for CMC application.

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Rapid solidification process for amorphous strip

liquid metal 1300°C 500kg
 melting furnace
 induction coil
 ceramic nozzle
 casting wheel 10°C
 cooling rate: 1.000.000 Kelvins
 amorphous metallic strip, 17 - 25 μ m
 speed: 100 km/h (60 mph)

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VITROPERM core for Common Mode Chokes

Strip production **Core production**

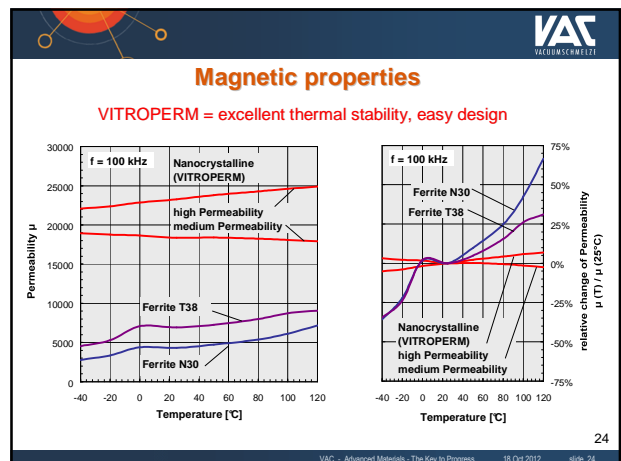
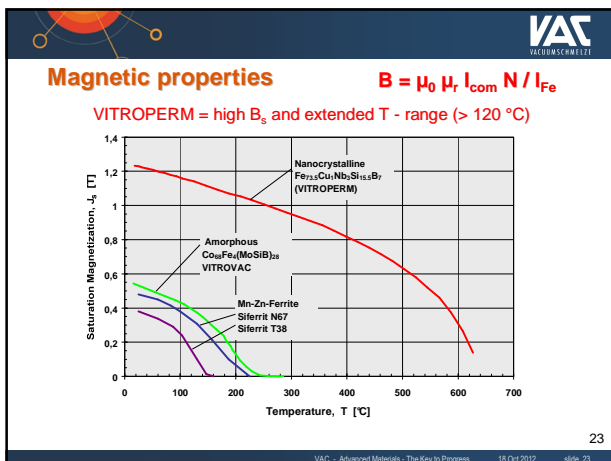
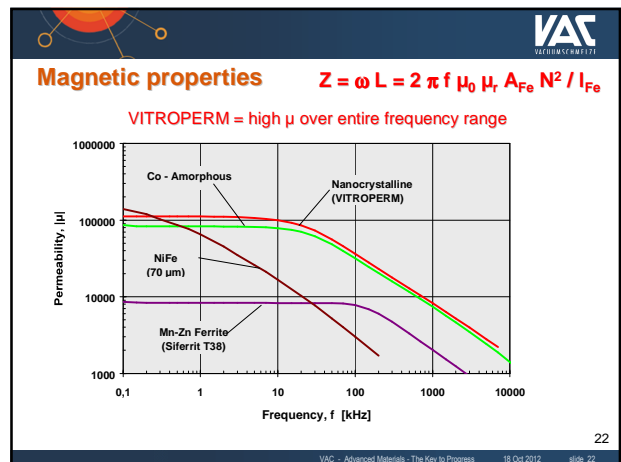
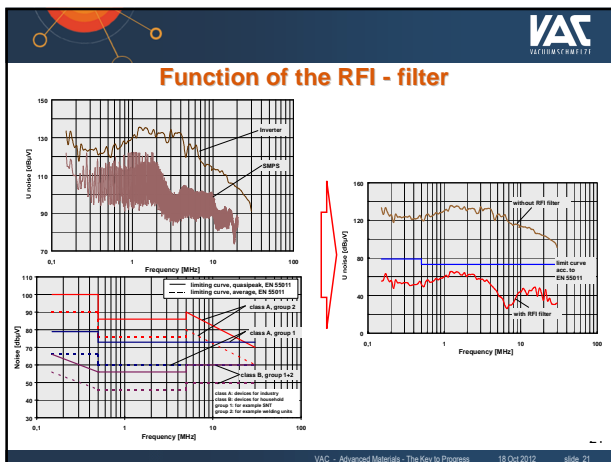
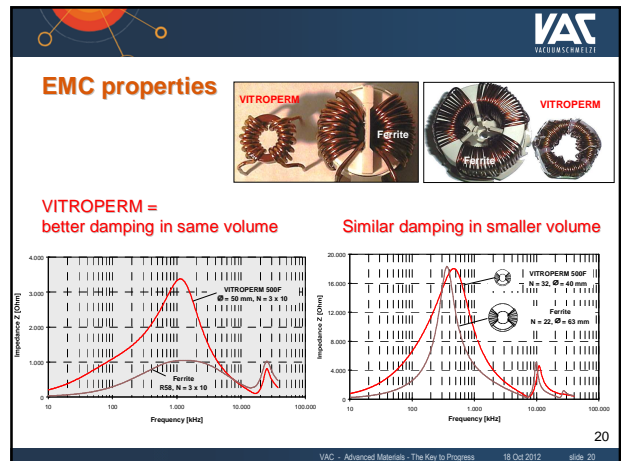
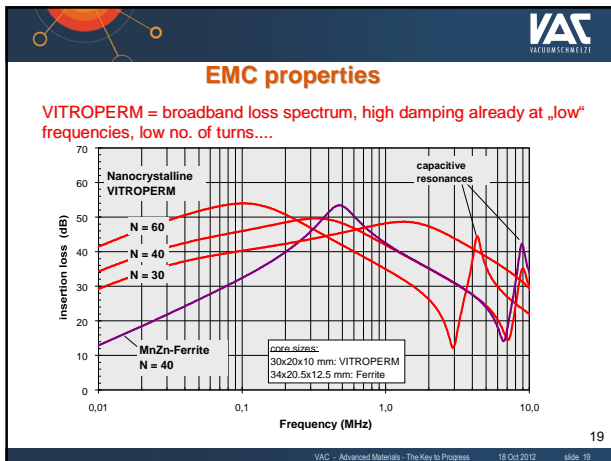
Raw Material Amorphous strip coils Core winding Heat treatment magnetics Casing, coating Testing, packing, transport

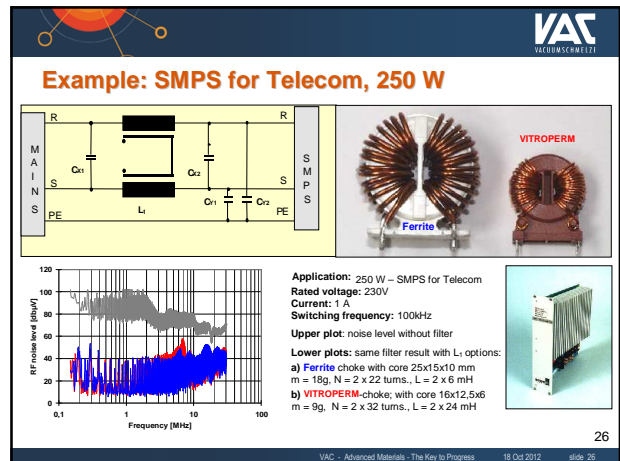
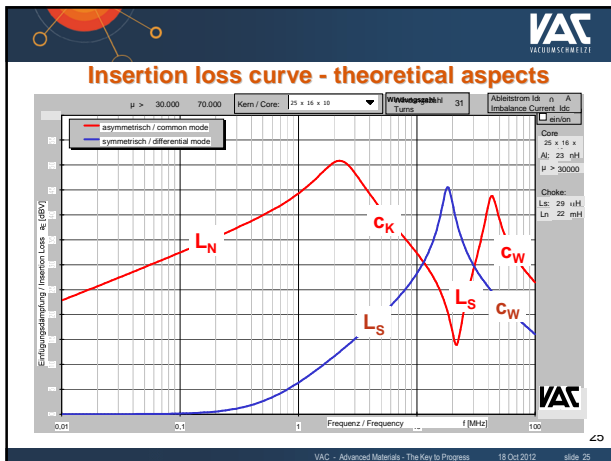
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Materials for Common Mode Chokes

Material	Co - based amorphous approx. 70 % Co	NiFe Permalloys 80 % Ni	MnZn Ferrite Mn Zn	Nano-crystalline approx. 73.5 % Fe
Permeability $\mu_{r, max}$ (10 kHz)	>90 000	< 20 000	15 000	15 000 ... > 100 000
Losses $P_{Fe, typ.}$ (25 kHz, 200 mT, 100°C)	5 W/kg	14 W/kg	17 W/kg	3 W/kg
Saturation Induction B_s	0.6 T	0.8 T	0.48 T	1.2 T
Curie Temperature T_c	210°C	400 °C	220°C	> 600°C
Upper Cont. Operation Temperature $T_{max.}$	90 °C	120 °C	<100 °C	> 120 °C

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Analysis of Customer's data

A couple of case studies

Broadband CMC reduced multi-stage filter by one stage.
 (Conducted Emission / Bearing current / Susceptibility)

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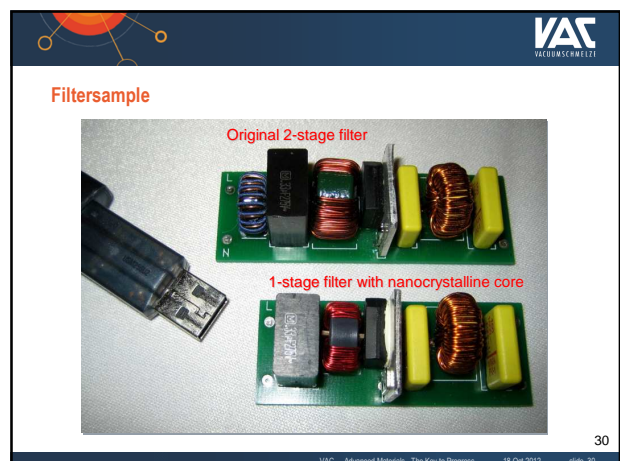
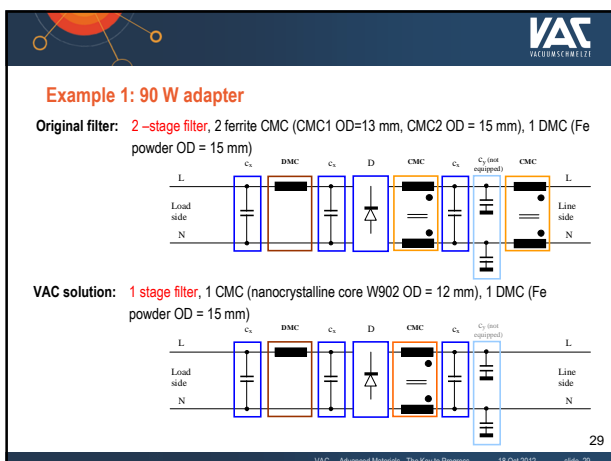
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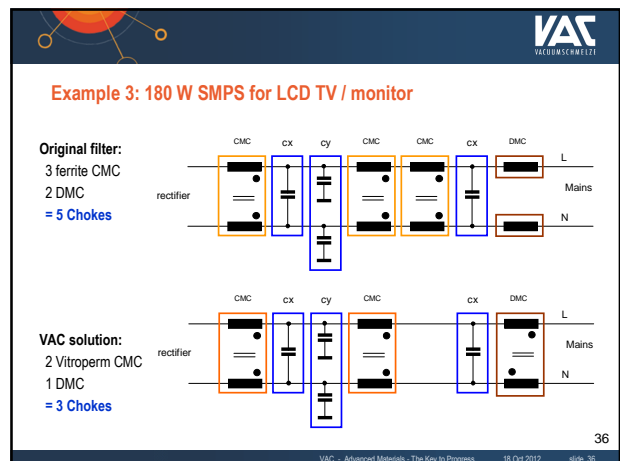
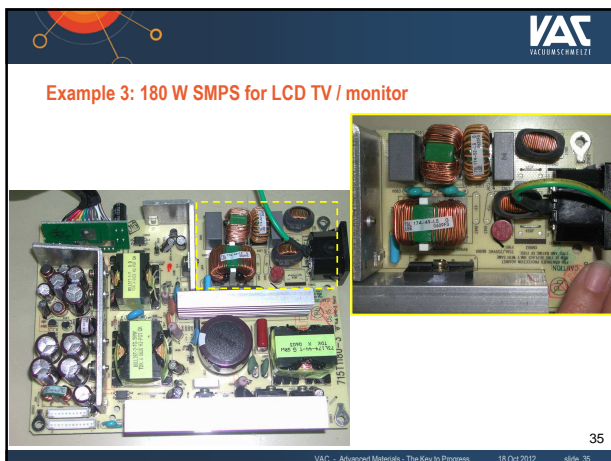
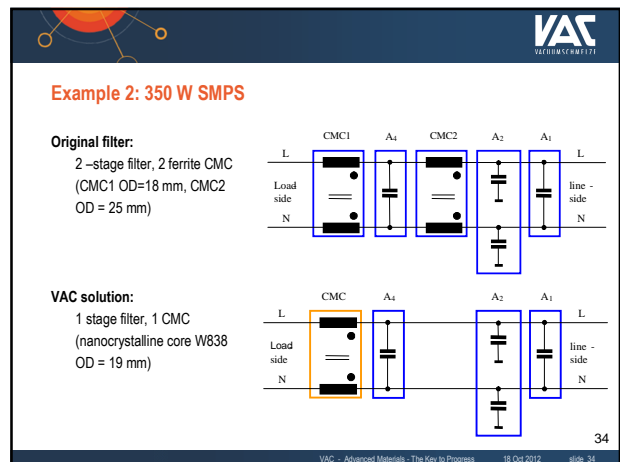
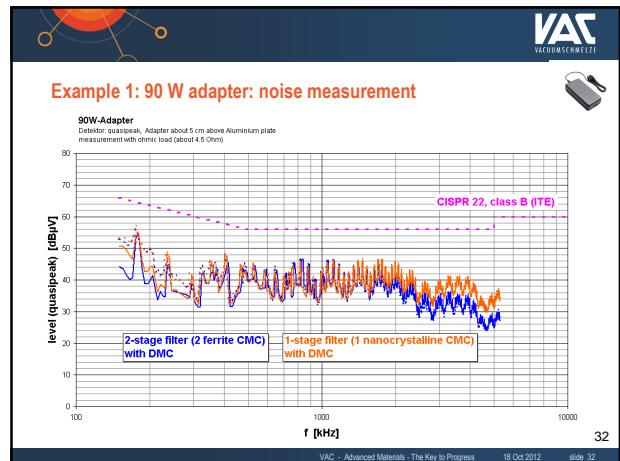
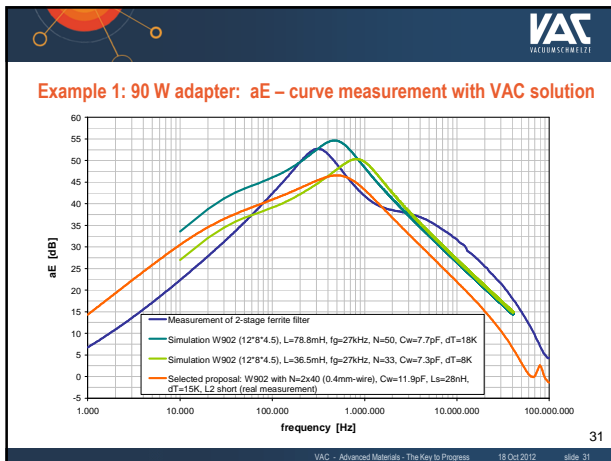
Input: 100-240V ; 50-60 Hz ; 1.5A

Output: 19Vdc ; 4.74A
 (90 Watt)

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Example 3: 180 W SMPS for LCD TV / monitor – modified components

original EMI filter with ferrite CMC

2 DMC CX CMC CMC CMC

modified EMI filter with nanocrystalline CMC

DMC CX CMC CMC

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Example 4: Solar Inverter

Original filter:
2 ferrite CMC
2 cx
6 cy

VAC solution:
1 Vitroperm CMC
1 cx
4 cy

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Analysis of Customer's product

A discussion of LISN

and

A demo of measurement for conducted mission

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- Section 15.102 CPU boards and power supplies used in personal computers.
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(a) Except for Class A digital devices, for equipment that is designed to be connected to the public utility (AC) power line, the radio frequency voltage that is conducted back onto the AC power line on any frequency or frequencies within the band 150 kHz to 30 MHz shall not exceed the limits in the following table, as measured using a 50 μ H/50 ohms line impedance stabilization network (LISN). Compliance with the provisions of this paragraph shall be based on the measurement of the radio frequency voltage between each power line and ground at the power terminal. The lower limit applies at the band edges.

Frequency of Emission (MHz)	Conducted Limit (dB μ V)	
	Quasi-peak	Average
0.15-0.5	66 to 56	56 to 46
0.5-5	56	46
5-30	60	50

^a Decreases with the logarithm of the frequency.

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(b) For a Class A digital device that is designed to be connected to the public utility (AC) power line, the radio frequency voltage that is conducted back onto the AC power line on any frequency or frequencies within the band 150 kHz to 30 MHz shall not exceed the limits in the following table, as measured using a 50 μ H/50 ohms LISN. Compliance with the provisions of this paragraph shall be based on the measurement of the radio frequency voltage between each power line and ground at the power terminal. The lower limit applies at the boundary between the frequency ranges.

Frequency of Emission (MHz)	Conducted Limit (dB μ V)	
	Quasi-peak	Average
0.15-0.5	79	66
0.5-30	73	60

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(h) **Class A digital device.** A digital device that is marketed for use in a commercial, industrial or business environment, exclusive of a device which is marketed for use by the general public or is intended to be used in the home.

(i) **Class B digital device.** A digital device that is marketed for use in a residential environment notwithstanding use in commercial, business and industrial environments. Examples of such devices include, but are not limited to, personal computers, calculators, and similar electronic devices that are marketed for use by the general public. Note: The responsible party may also qualify a device intended to be marketed in a commercial, business or industrial environment as a Class B device, and in fact is encouraged to do so, provided the device complies with the technical specifications for a Class B digital device. In the event that a particular type of device has been found to repeatedly cause harmful interference to radio communications, the Commission may classify such a digital device as a Class B digital device, regardless of its intended use.

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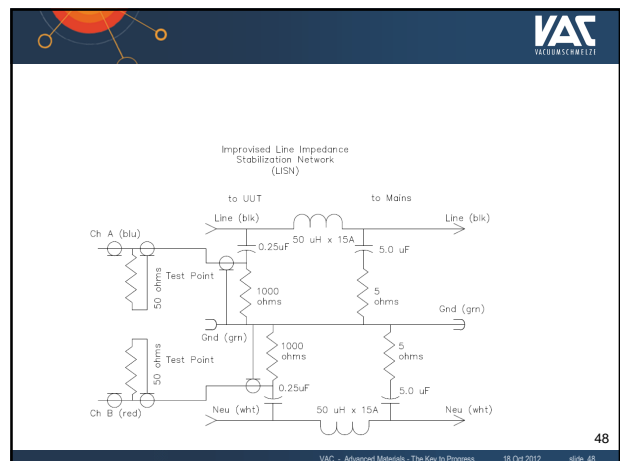
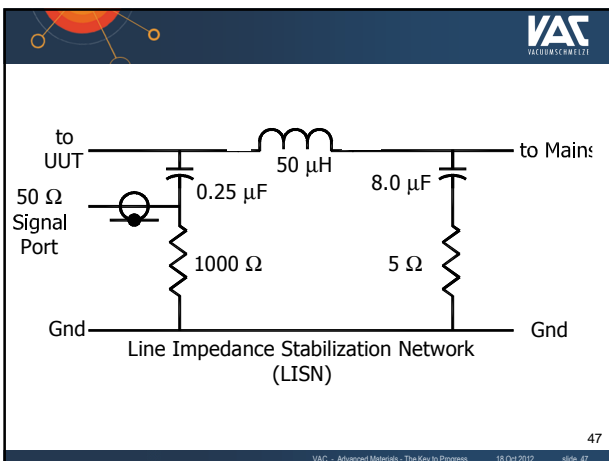
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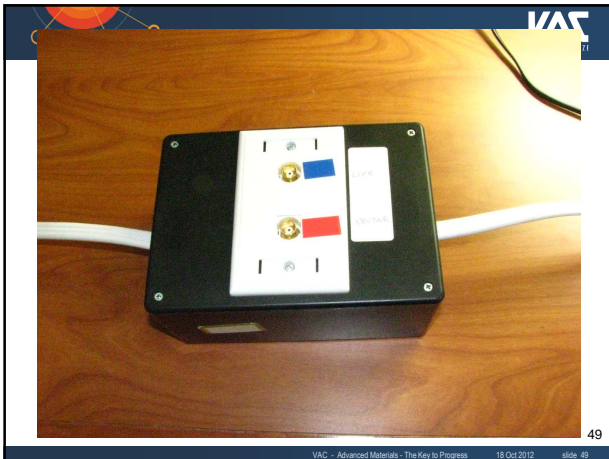
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(k) **Digital device.** (Previously defined as a computing device). An unintentional radiator (device or system) that generates and uses timing signals or pulses at a rate in excess of 9,000 pulses (cycles) per second and uses digital techniques, inclusive of telephone equipment that uses digital techniques or any device or system that generates and uses radio frequency energy for the purpose of performing data processing functions, such as electronic computations, operations, transformations, recording, filing, sorting, storage, retrieval, or transfer. A radio frequency device that is specifically subject to an emanation requirement in any other FCC Rule Part or an intentional radiator subject to Subpart C of this Part that contains a digital device is not subject to the standards for digital devices, provided the digital device is used only to enable operation of the radio frequency device and the digital device does not control additional functions or capabilities. Note: Computer terminals and peripherals that are intended to be connected to a computer are digital devices.

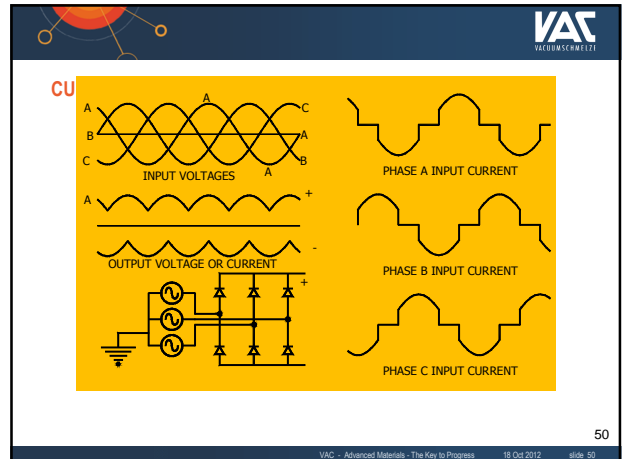
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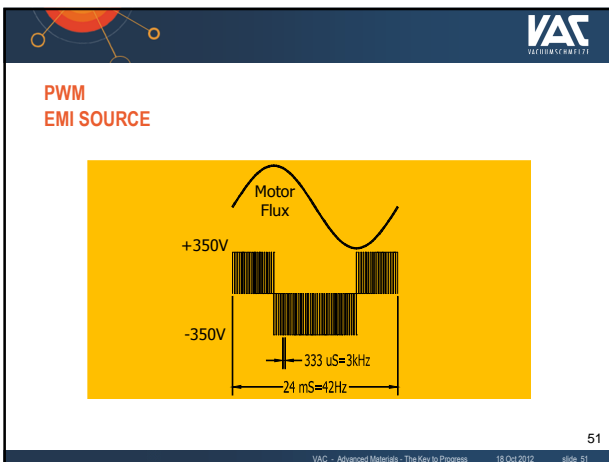




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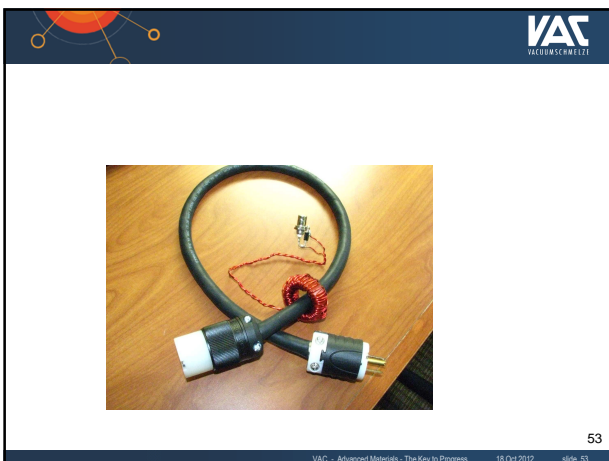
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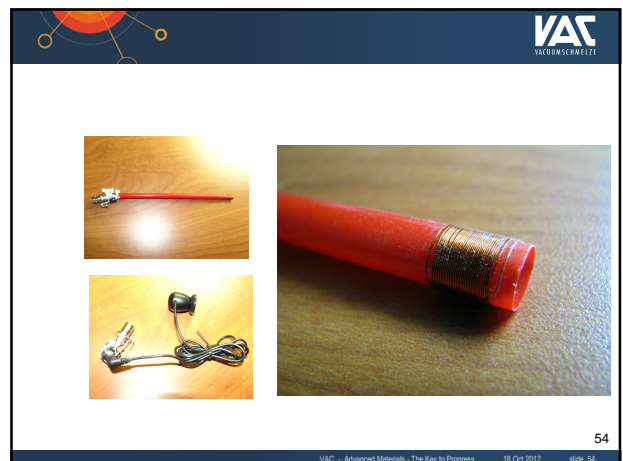
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- Optimizing your CMC**
- Calculate emission limits in terms of *rf* currents.
 - Measure actual *rf* currents.
 - Estimate voltage of noise generator.
 - Determine impedance to limit *rf* current.
 - Select/design CMC for proper impedance.

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Calculate emission limits in terms of rf currents.

$f=150\text{ kHz}-500\text{ kHz}$
 $E_{\text{limit}} = 79\text{ dB}\mu\text{V} = 8913\mu\text{V} = .0089\text{ Volts}$
 $I_{\text{limit}} = \frac{E_{\text{limit}}}{Z_{\text{LISN}}} = \frac{.0089\text{ Volts}}{50\text{ ohms}} = 178\mu\text{A max}$

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Measure actual rf currents.

Extracted data from test report

	150 kHz	500 kHz
Peak Reading	102 dB μV	99 dB μV
Probe Insertion Loss Correction	+17.0 dB	+10.1 dB
Actual measurement	119 dB μV	109.1 dB μV
convert to volts	0.891 Volts	.285 Volts

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Estimate voltage of noise generator

$Z_{\text{known}} = \text{zero (no filtering present) therefore:}$
 $E_{\text{noise generator}} = E_{\text{LISN}}$

	150 kHz	500 kHz
$E_{\text{noise generator}}$	0.891 Volts	.285 Volts

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Determine impedance to limit rf current.

Total impedance needed = $\frac{E_{\text{noise generator}}}{I_{\text{limit}}} = Z_{\text{total}}$

	150 kHz	500 kHz
$Z_{\text{total}} = \frac{.891\text{ V}}{178\mu\text{A}}$	5000 ohms	1601 ohms
$Z_{\text{total}} = \frac{.285\text{ V}}{178\mu\text{A}}$	1601 ohms	1601 ohms
$Z_{\text{total}} - \text{less known Z's}$	5060 ohms	1601 ohms
$Z_{\text{required}} = \frac{5060\text{ ohms}}{50\text{ ohms}}$	5010 ohms	1551 ohms
$L_{\text{indicated}} = 5.4\text{ mH}$		0.51 mH
		inductive reactance (X _L): =2 π fL

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Select/design CMC for proper impedance.

RATING: 127 AMPS, 480V, 3 ϕ

Design:
 Core: quad stack T60006-L2102-W#68
 (102x76x25 NANOCRYSTALLINE VITROPERM® 500F)
 Winding: 7 turns litz 3x80x0.4 mm

Impedance tests at 5 Vrms:
 150 kHz: 6865 ohms at 9.4°
 250 kHz: 6960 ohms at -30.2°
 500 kHz: 3540 ohms at -69.4°

Other tests:
 Inductance at 10kHz: 13.86 mH
 DCR: 1.33 milliohms
 Hipot at 2500 Vrms: OK
 WT: 4.2 KG

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CMC_Quick-dim3.0 Simulations

A demonstration of QuickDim 3.0

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Discussion of CM, DM, and Imbalance current has on CMC selection,

Remarks about Amperage rating and environmental condition.

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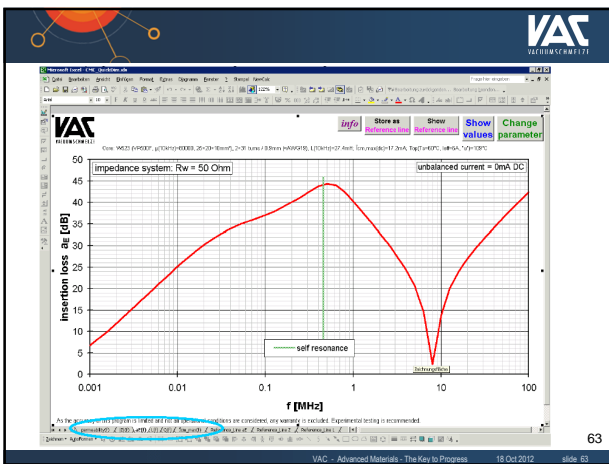
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Simulates important parameters of CMC which are based on VAC's nanocrystalline VITROPERM®-cores. Comparison of different calculated designs lead to the optimum solution.

- frequency characteristic
- Temperature rise
- winding capacitance
- Self resonance
- DCR,
- winding factor
- unbalanced current limitation

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Input parameter		Results	
core:	material: VITROPERM	winding:	Decoupled section: $A_{dec} = 0.002$
no. of cores:	1	inner wire diameter:	0.20 mm
wire diameter:	0.9 mm	residual hole (incl. insulation):	0.1 / 0.2 mm
no. of turns:	20	winding length:	1.16 mm
no. of strands:	1	winding height:	0.98 mm
wire diameter ϕ_{Cu} :	0.9 mm	number of winding layers (inner holes):	1.2
no. of windings:	2	winding factor $f_{winding}$:	0.98 / 0.19
no. of strands:	1	resistance R_{DC} :	22.4 mΩ
material:	VITROPERM	inductance L :	39 μH
no. of turns:	20	estimated component size: $W \times H \times P$:	20 x 18 x 17 mm³
no. of strands:	1	isolated component weight:	0.33 g
wire diameter ϕ_{Cu} :	0.9 mm	inductance L (H):	39 μH
no. of windings:	2	DC:	22.4 mΩ
no. of strands:	1	100 kHz:	6.45 mΩ
material:	VITROPERM	1 MHz:	0.60 mΩ
no. of turns:	20	10 MHz:	0.04 mΩ
no. of strands:	1	100 MHz:	0.004 mΩ
wire diameter ϕ_{Cu} :	0.9 mm	1 GHz:	0.0004 mΩ
no. of windings:	2	10 GHz:	4e-05 mΩ
no. of strands:	1	100 GHz:	4e-06 mΩ
material:	VITROPERM	1 THz:	4e-07 mΩ
no. of turns:	20	10 THz:	4e-08 mΩ
no. of strands:	1	100 THz:	4e-09 mΩ
wire diameter ϕ_{Cu} :	0.9 mm	1 PHz:	4e-10 mΩ
no. of windings:	2	10 PHz:	4e-11 mΩ
no. of strands:	1	100 PHz:	4e-12 mΩ
material:	VITROPERM	1 EHz:	4e-13 mΩ
no. of turns:	20	10 EHz:	4e-14 mΩ
no. of strands:	1	100 EHz:	4e-15 mΩ
wire diameter ϕ_{Cu} :	0.9 mm	1 ZHz:	4e-16 mΩ
no. of windings:	2	10 ZHz:	4e-17 mΩ
no. of strands:	1	100 ZHz:	4e-18 mΩ
material:	VITROPERM	1 YHz:	4e-19 mΩ
no. of turns:	20	10 YHz:	4e-20 mΩ
no. of strands:	1	100 YHz:	4e-21 mΩ
wire diameter ϕ_{Cu} :	0.9 mm	1 RHz:	4e-22 mΩ
no. of windings:	2	10 RHz:	4e-23 mΩ
no. of strands:	1	100 RHz:	4e-24 mΩ
material:	VITROPERM	1 QHz:	4e-25 mΩ
no. of turns:	20	10 QHz:	4e-26 mΩ
no. of strands:	1	100 QHz:	4e-27 mΩ
wire diameter ϕ_{Cu} :	0.9 mm	1 SHz:	4e-28 mΩ
no. of windings:	2	10 SHz:	4e-29 mΩ
no. of strands:	1	100 SHz:	4e-30 mΩ
material:	VITROPERM	1 MHz:	4e-31 mΩ
no. of turns:	20	10 MHz:	4e-32 mΩ
no. of strands:	1	100 MHz:	4e-33 mΩ
wire diameter ϕ_{Cu} :	0.9 mm	1 GHz:	4e-34 mΩ
no. of windings:	2	10 GHz:	4e-35 mΩ
no. of strands:	1	100 GHz:	4e-36 mΩ
material:	VITROPERM	1 THz:	4e-37 mΩ
no. of turns:	20	10 THz:	4e-38 mΩ
no. of strands:	1	100 THz:	4e-39 mΩ
wire diameter ϕ_{Cu} :	0.9 mm	1 PHz:	4e-40 mΩ
no. of windings:	2	10 PHz:	4e-41 mΩ
no. of strands:	1	100 PHz:	4e-42 mΩ
material:	VITROPERM	1 EHz:	4e-43 mΩ
no. of turns:	20	10 EHz:	4e-44 mΩ
no. of strands:	1	100 EHz:	4e-45 mΩ
wire diameter ϕ_{Cu} :	0.9 mm	1 ZHz:	4e-46 mΩ
no. of windings:	2	10 ZHz:	4e-47 mΩ
no. of strands:	1	100 ZHz:	4e-48 mΩ
material:	VITROPERM	1 YHz:	4e-49 mΩ
no. of turns:	20	10 YHz:	4e-50 mΩ
no. of strands:	1	100 YHz:	4e-51 mΩ
wire diameter ϕ_{Cu} :	0.9 mm	1 RHz:	4e-52 mΩ
no. of windings:	2	10 RHz:	4e-53 mΩ
no. of strands:	1	100 RHz:	4e-54 mΩ
material:	VITROPERM	1 QHz:	4e-55 mΩ
no. of turns:	20	10 QHz:	4e-56 mΩ
no. of strands:	1	100 QHz:	4e-57 mΩ
wire diameter ϕ_{Cu} :	0.9 mm	1 SHz:	4e-58 mΩ
no. of windings:	2	10 SHz:	4e-59 mΩ
no. of strands:	1	100 SHz:	4e-60 mΩ
material:	VITROPERM	1 MHz:	4e-61 mΩ
no. of turns:	20	10 MHz:	4e-62 mΩ
no. of strands:	1	100 MHz:	4e-63 mΩ
wire diameter ϕ_{Cu} :	0.9 mm	1 GHz:	4e-64 mΩ
no. of windings:	2	10 GHz:	4e-65 mΩ
no. of strands:	1	100 GHz:	4e-66 mΩ
material:	VITROPERM	1 THz:	4e-67 mΩ
no. of turns:	20	10 THz:	4e-68 mΩ
no. of strands:	1	100 THz:	4e-69 mΩ
wire diameter ϕ_{Cu} :	0.9 mm	1 PHz:	4e-70 mΩ
no. of windings:	2	10 PHz:	4e-71 mΩ
no. of strands:	1	100 PHz:	4e-72 mΩ
material:	VITROPERM	1 EHz:	4e-73 mΩ
no. of turns:	20	10 EHz:	4e-74 mΩ
no. of strands:	1	100 EHz:	4e-75 mΩ
wire diameter ϕ_{Cu} :	0.9 mm	1 ZHz:	4e-76 mΩ
no. of windings:	2	10 ZHz:	4e-77 mΩ
no. of strands:	1	100 ZHz:	4e-78 mΩ
material:	VITROPERM	1 YHz:	4e-79 mΩ
no. of turns:	20	10 YHz:	4e-80 mΩ
no. of strands:	1	100 YHz:	4e-81 mΩ
wire diameter ϕ_{Cu} :	0.9 mm	1 RHz:	4e-82 mΩ
no. of windings:	2	10 RHz:	4e-83 mΩ
no. of strands:	1	100 RHz:	4e-84 mΩ
material:	VITROPERM	1 QHz:	4e-85 mΩ
no. of turns:	20	10 QHz:	4e-86 mΩ
no. of strands:	1	100 QHz:	4e-87 mΩ
wire diameter ϕ_{Cu} :	0.9 mm	1 SHz:	4e-88 mΩ
no. of windings:	2	10 SHz:	4e-89 mΩ
no. of strands:	1	100 SHz:	4e-90 mΩ
material:	VITROPERM	1 MHz:	4e-91 mΩ
no. of turns:	20	10 MHz:	4e-92 mΩ
no. of strands:	1	100 MHz:	4e-93 mΩ
wire diameter ϕ_{Cu} :	0.9 mm	1 GHz:	4e-94 mΩ
no. of windings:	2	10 GHz:	4e-95 mΩ
no. of strands:	1	100 GHz:	4e-96 mΩ
material:	VITROPERM	1 THz:	4e-97 mΩ
no. of turns:	20	10 THz:	4e-98 mΩ
no. of strands:	1	100 THz:	4e-99 mΩ
wire diameter ϕ_{Cu} :	0.9 mm	1 PHz:	4e-100 mΩ

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Parameter input

Core:

core type: WS23

no. of cores: 1 (detached)

core parameter:

material: VPS00F

permeability μ : 80000 ($f=10\text{kHz}$)

dimensions (bare core):

outer ϕ [mm]: 25

inner ϕ [mm]: 20

height [mm]: 10

encapsulation:

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calculated frequency range:

start frequency [kHz]: 1

end frequency [MHz]: 100

impedance system:

R_w [Ω]: 50

Winding:

no. of windings: 2

no. of turns: 20

no. of strands: 1

wire diameter ϕ_{Cu} [mm]: 0.9

one Winding layer

max. 2-25 turns

Component Design:

design: upright

winding gap [mm]: 2

operational conditions:

load current I_{DC} [A]: 5

unbalanced current (bias) I_B [mA]: 0

ambient temperature T_A [°C]: 50

forced cooling: $T_{op,max}$ [°C]: 115

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Custom CMC designs

A discussion of CMC CheckList

and

A demonstration about Common Mode Current impact on CMC selection

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VAC CMC CHECKLIST

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NOTE: The yellow fields are mandatory. Additional informations should be added in the white fields.

Company name:	Contact person:
Address:	Tel.:
<input type="checkbox"/> New project <input type="checkbox"/> Replacement for: _____	E-Mail:
Application (please specify in more details): <input type="checkbox"/> SMPS/UPS: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Drives/Inverter: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Solar/Photovoltaic: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Welding: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	Date:
Expected annual usage [pcs.]: Year 1: _____ Year 2: _____ Year 3: _____ Year 4: _____	Project name(s), description:
Sample quantity: _____ pcs.	Target price [€]: _____
QM-Requirement: <input type="checkbox"/> ISO 9000 <input type="checkbox"/> TS16949 <input type="checkbox"/> Others: _____	Product life cycle [years]: _____
	sample date: _____

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CMC CHECKLIST (cont'd)

Filter Design:

Filter: 1-stage 2-stage multi-stage (No. of stages: _____)

Schematic: draft on page 2 separate attachment

Important Operational Characteristics

(No. of windings) × Load current (nom.): _____ × _____ A	System voltage ¹ [V]: _____
Max. load current [A]: _____ for _____ sec	Working voltage ² [V]: _____
Switching frequency [kHz]: _____	Pollution degree (typically 2): _____
Nominal inductance [mH]: _____ @ 10 kHz	Max. amb. temperature [°C]: _____
_____ @ 100 kHz	Convection: <input type="checkbox"/>
Nominal impedance [Ω]: _____ @ _____ kHz	Max. unbalanced current / Fan: <input type="checkbox"/> _____ [m/s]
Max. unbalanced current / max. Common Mode Current [mA]: _____ @ f < 50 kHz	Heat sink: <input type="checkbox"/> _____ [KW]
Max. dimensions: W × D × H [mm]: _____	Pinning already fixed? <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no
Electrical standards: <input type="checkbox"/> EN 61800 <input type="checkbox"/> EN 50178 <input type="checkbox"/> UL <input type="checkbox"/> other: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> none	

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CMC CHECKLIST (concluded)

Additional Specifications

Environmental demands: Vibration: _____ Humidity: _____ Dust: _____
Leakage inductance [μH]: _____ Copper resistance R _{cu} [Ω]: _____
Casing construction: _____ Core / N / d _{cu} (from own tests): _____

Further comments:

Draft of filter schematic:

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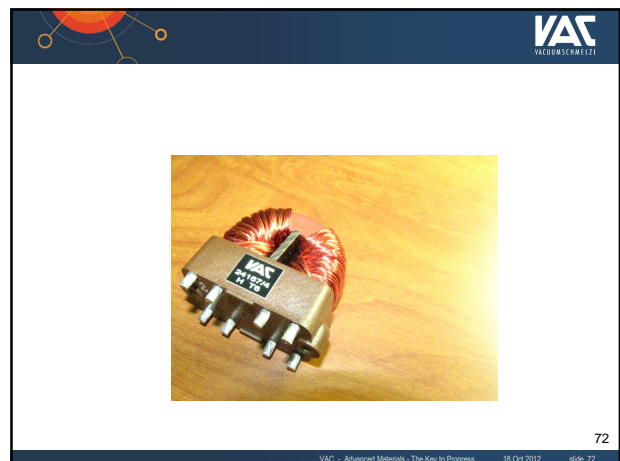
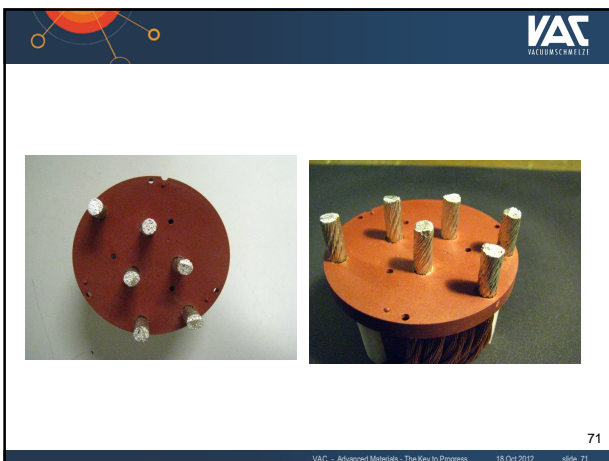
Samples

Photos of a few custom CMC's

Discussion of "Customer-Specific" products

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Series production

A discussion about PPAP, agency audit (eg UL), FEMA, etc

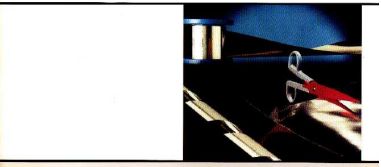
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Shielding

Magnetic Shielding Foils



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EMI Shielding products

Vacoperm 70 (crystalline NiFe)

- Stamped parts
- Sheets

Vitrovac 6025R (amorphous CoFe)

- Amorphous Strip
- Adhesive back strip

Vitroperm sheet (nanocrystalline SiFe)

- Annealed parts

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