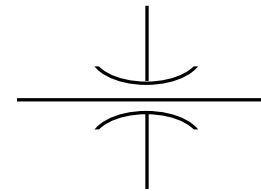
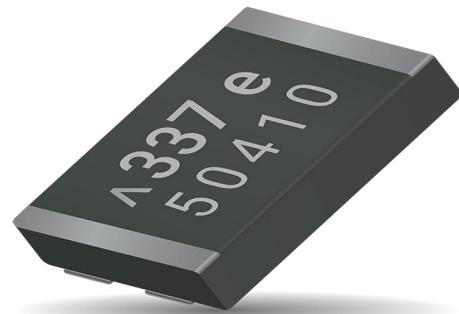


# Low Inductance Bulk Capacitors



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Need for High Quality Power by Advanced ICs

Low Inductance Bulk Capacitor - What is it

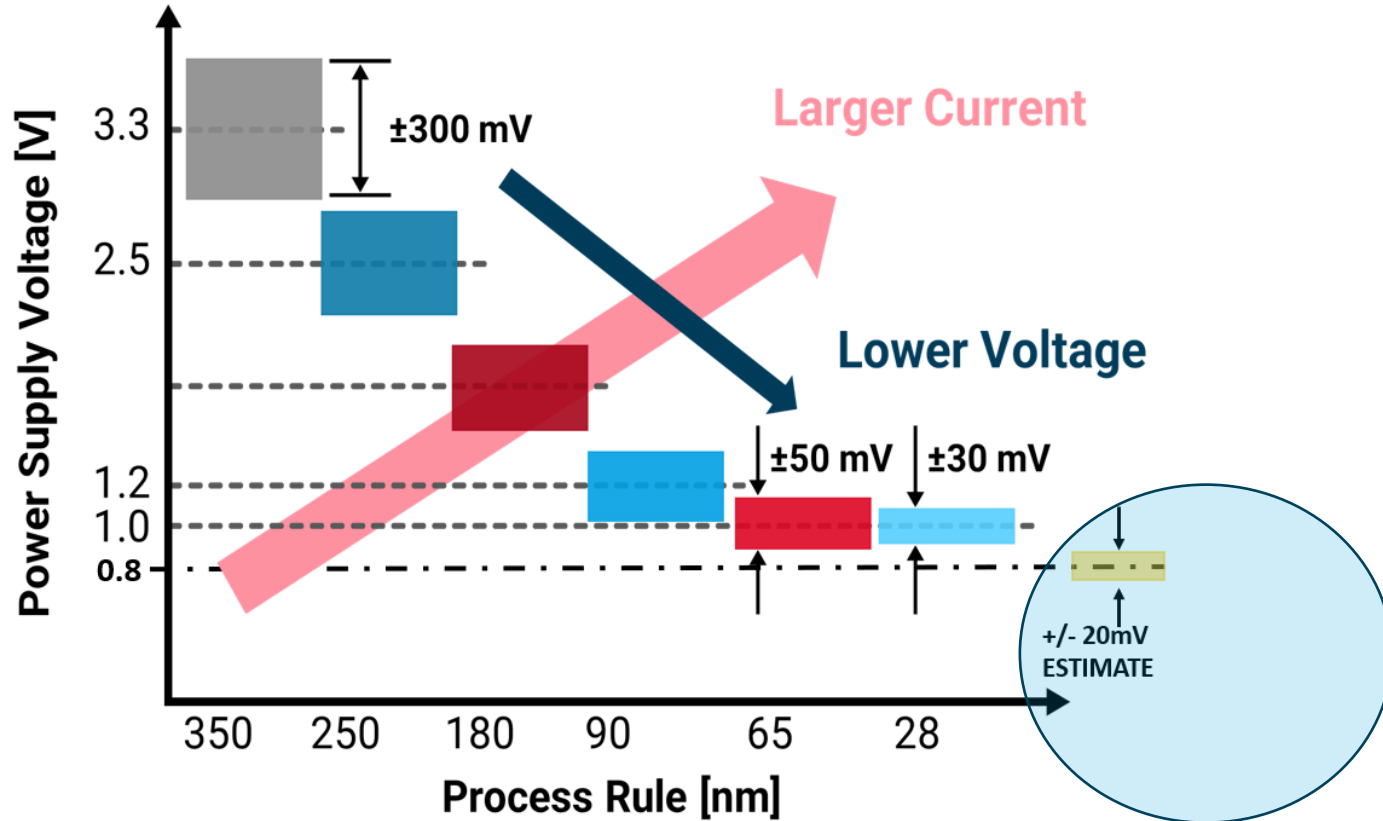
LIBC device details

In circuit performance

Summary

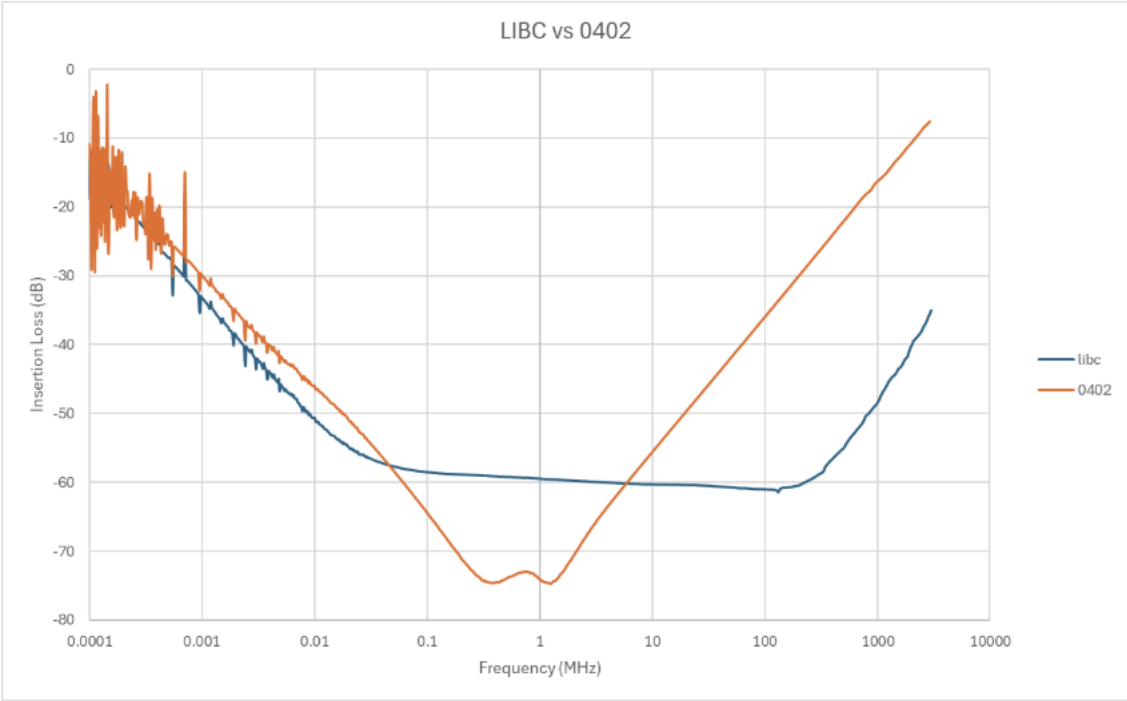
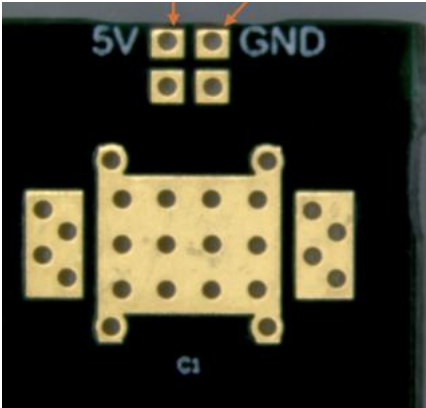
# Key Application Driving Cap Innovation Power Distribution Networks

Higher Current  
Reduced Voltages  
Greatly reduced ripple



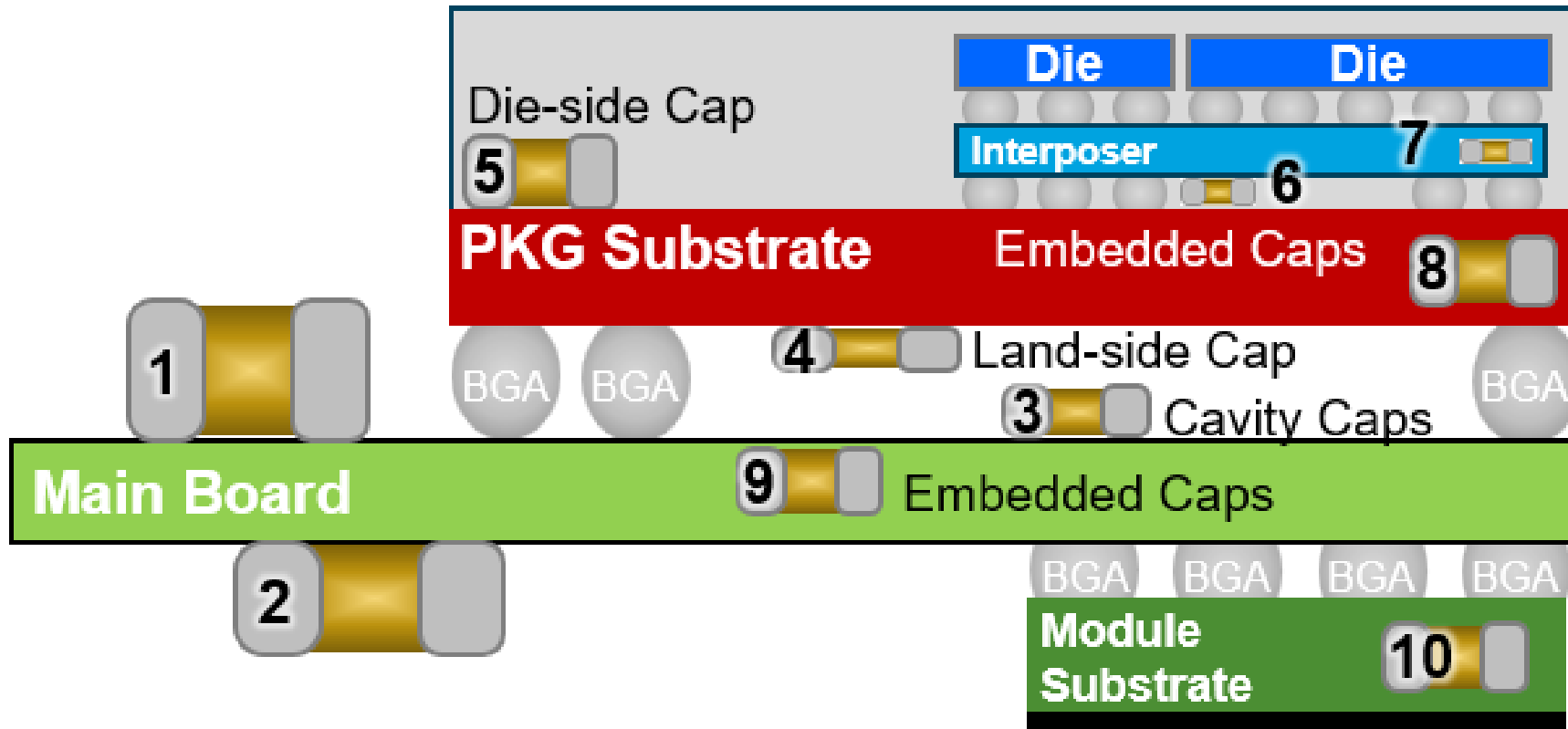
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# Capacitors provide solutions to improve Power Quality

## Existing Capacitor Placements



# But there is a practical limitation to the number of capacitors used

## Passive component technology trend:

### MINIATURIZATION

IMPACT OF MINIATURIZED PASSIVES IS OF EXTREME IMPORTANCE

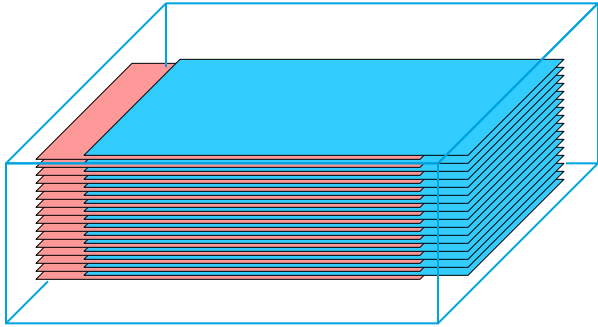
10 X 10 PART USE EXAMPLE IS SHOWN BELOW:



Size	Typical Chip Size (mm)	Mounting Area Ratio*	Weight (g/100pcs)	Weight Down Ratio
0805	2.0 x 1.25	100.0%	2.346	100.0%
0603	1.6 x 0.8	56.0%	0.901	38.4%
0402	1.0 x 0.5	25.7%	0.281	12.0%
0201	0.6 x 0.3	12.0%	0.043	1.8%
01005	0.4 x 0.2	7.1%	0.010	0.4%
008004	0.25 x 0.125	4.2%	0.001	0.1%

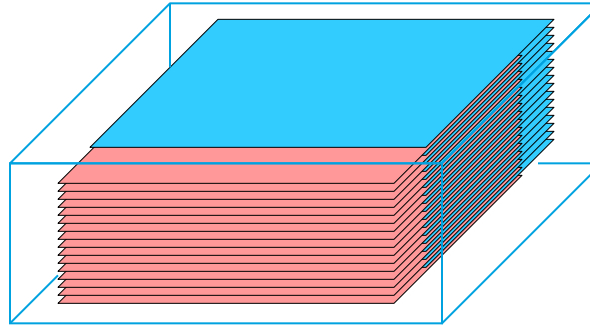
This technology advancement will impact military & COTS parts

# HISTORY - Low Inductance MLCCs



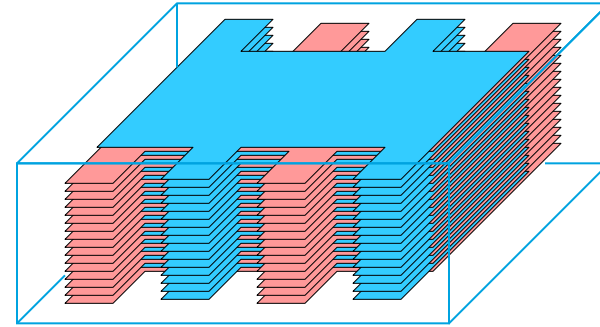
**MLCC 700ph 0805**

- Horizontal Electrodes
- Power I/O at ends of chip
- Relatively high ESL



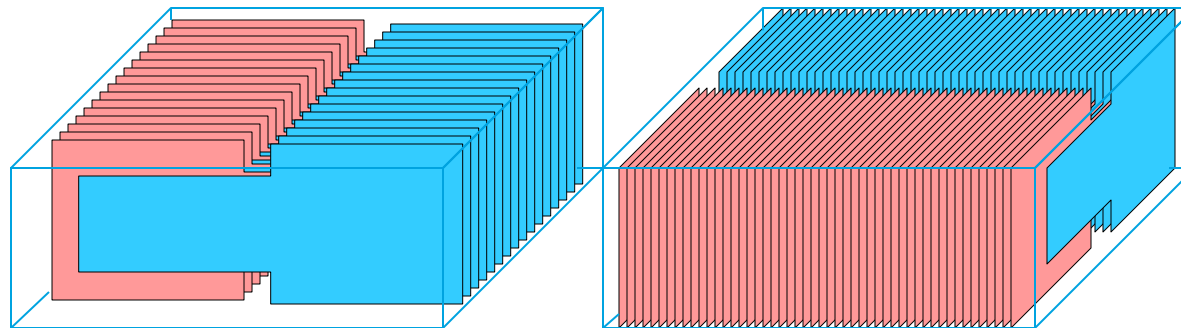
**LICC 130 ph 0508**

- Horizontal Electrodes
- Power I/O at sides of chip
- Moderate ESL



**IDC 45ph 0508**

- Horizontal Electrodes
- Power I/O at sides/ends of chip
- Parallel current paths
- Low ESL



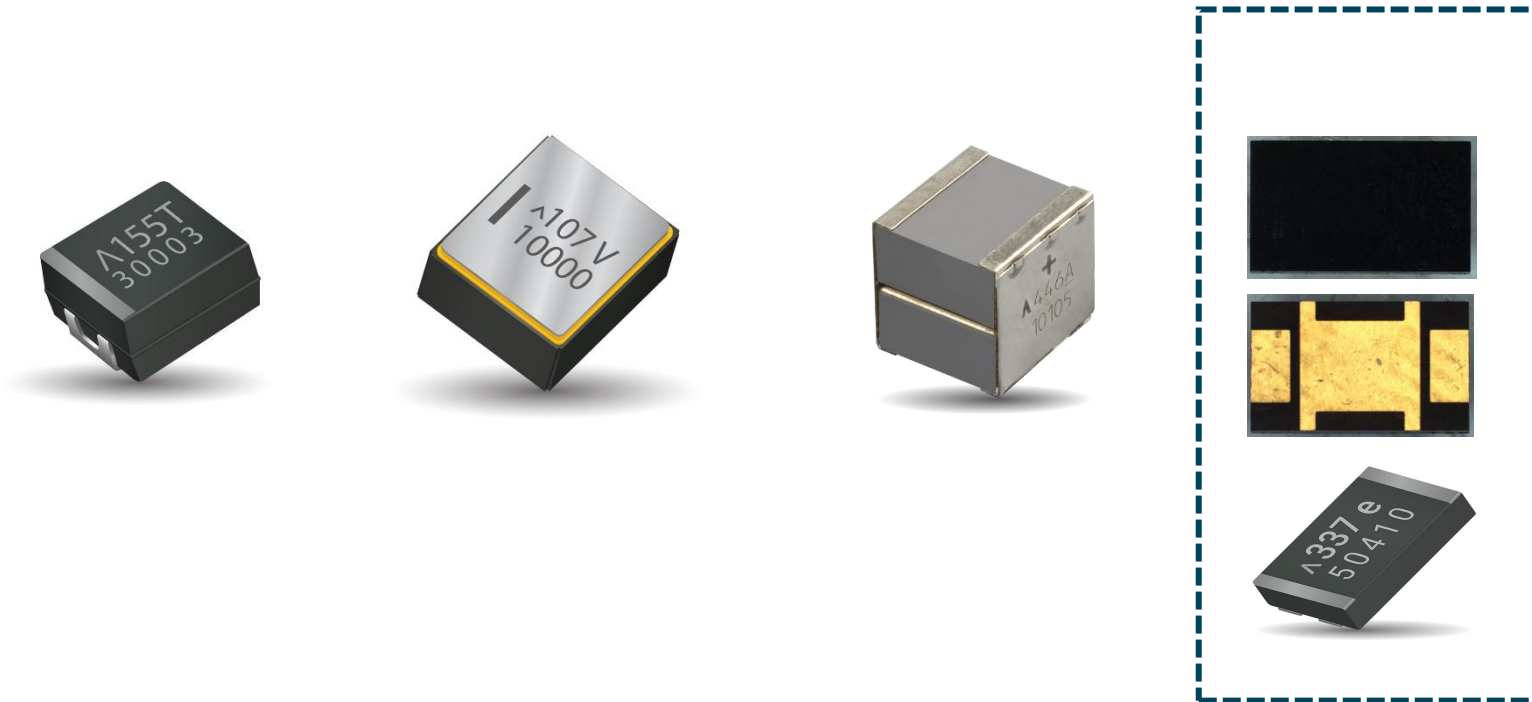
**Two-Terminal 45 to 130 ph**

- Vertical electrodes
- Power I/O at bottom of chip
- Low ESL

Low inductance MLCCs generally followed a progression of increasing reliability levels once introduced



# Bulk Capacitors are now following a low inductance evolution & high reliability trajectory

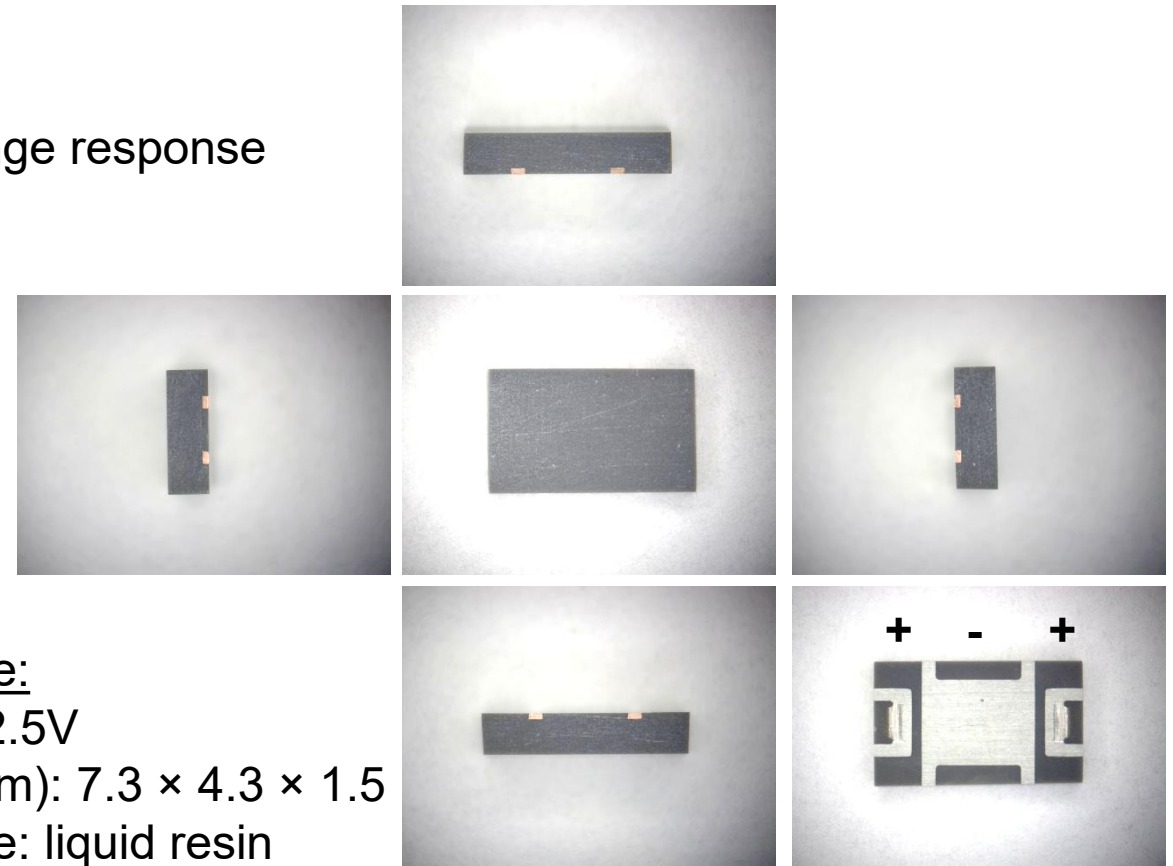
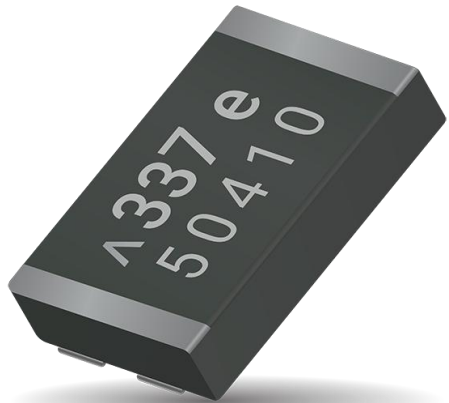


Introducing Low Inductance Bulk Capacitors

# What is LIBC

Polymer tantalum electrolytic capacitor technology

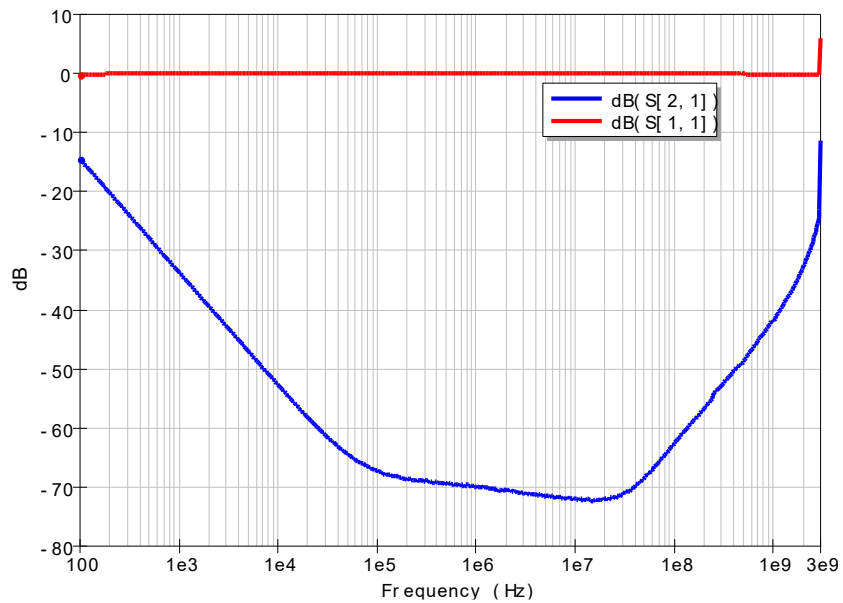
- Low inductance / high CV
- Low ESR / high RMS
- Extended frequency range response



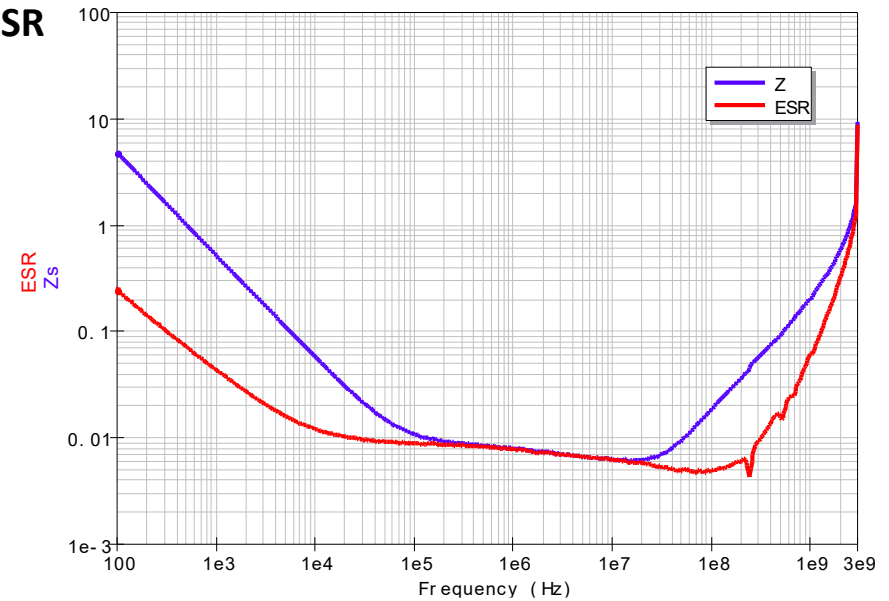
Example:  
330uF/2.5V  
Size (mm): 7.3 × 4.3 × 1.5  
Package: liquid resin

# LIBC 330uF/2.5V De-Embedded from test card

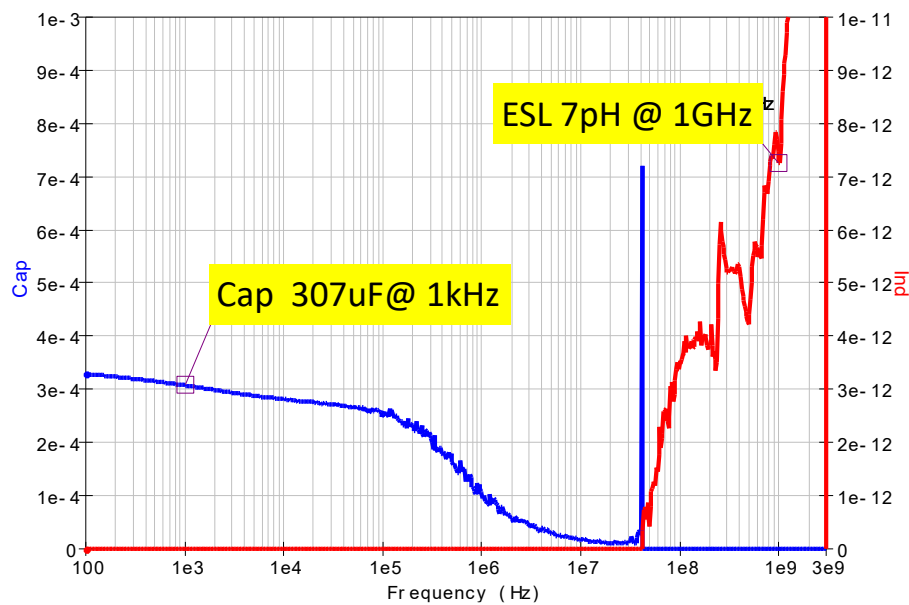
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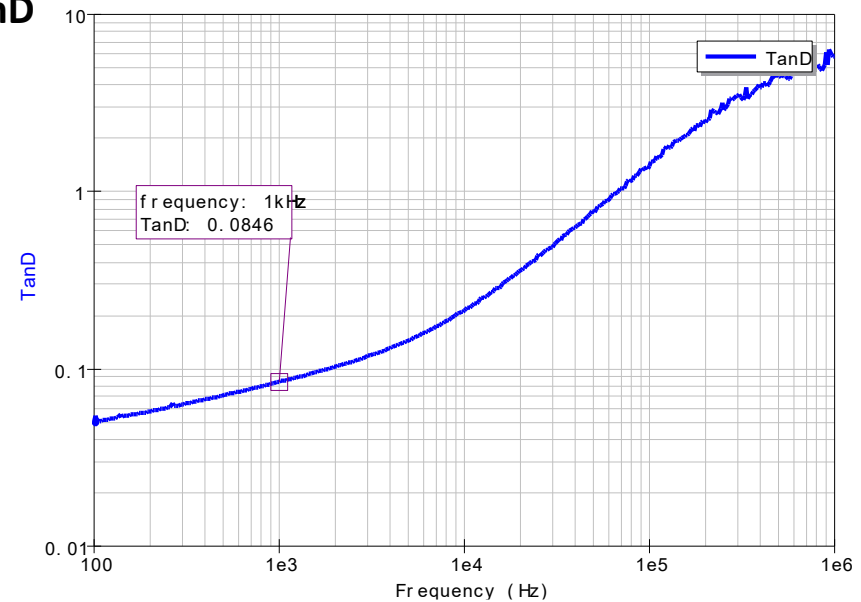
### Z, ESR



### Cap ESL



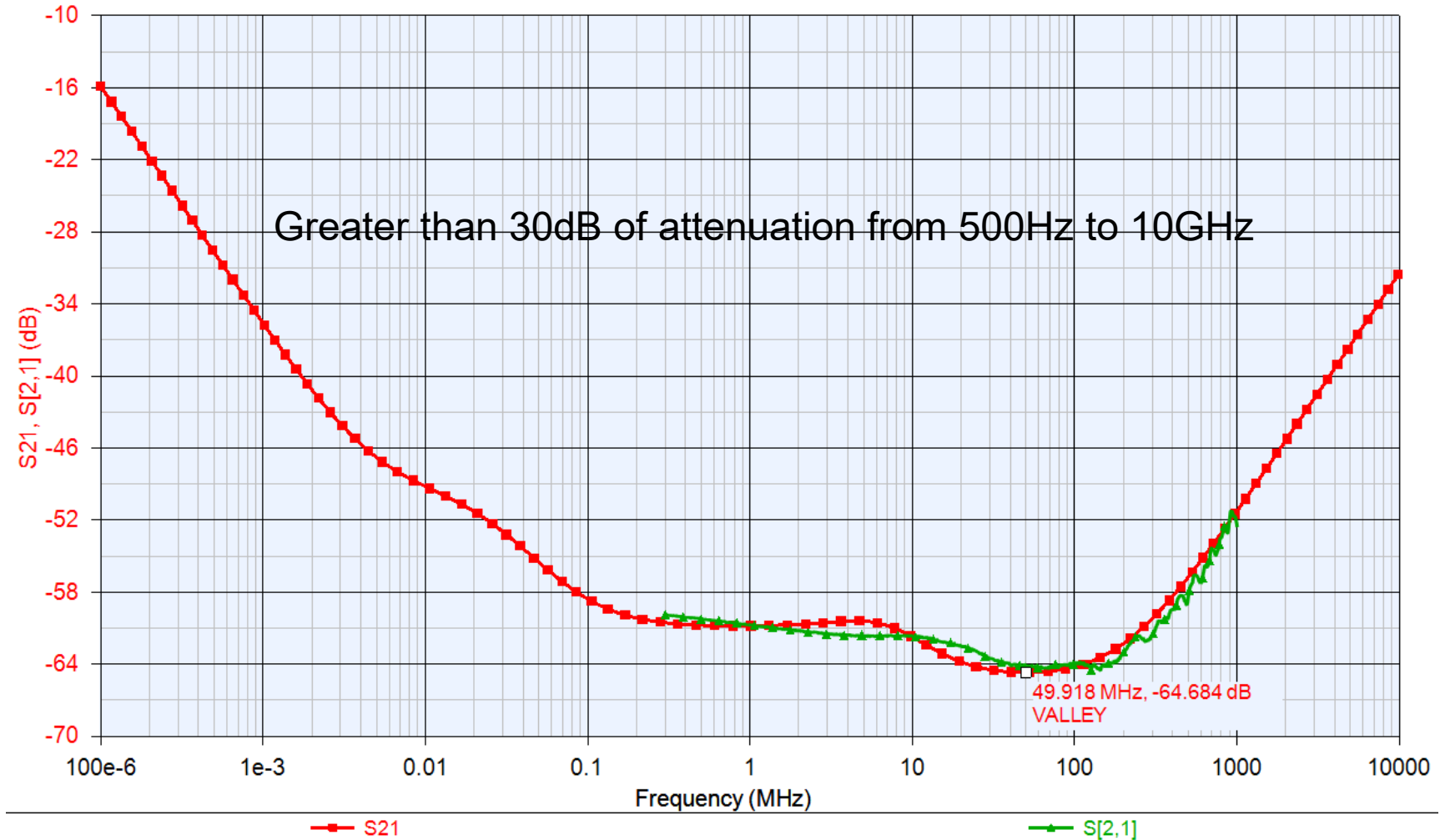
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# LIBC - Feedthrough Mode

- Provides  $> -30\text{dB}$  attenuation for many orders of magnitude ( $\sim 300\text{ KHz}$  to  $\sim 3\text{ GHz}$ )
- broadband filtering
- Can withstand high  $dI/dt$  loads - little temperature rise with current (3-4 A limits)

Low Inductance Tantalum Insertion Loss

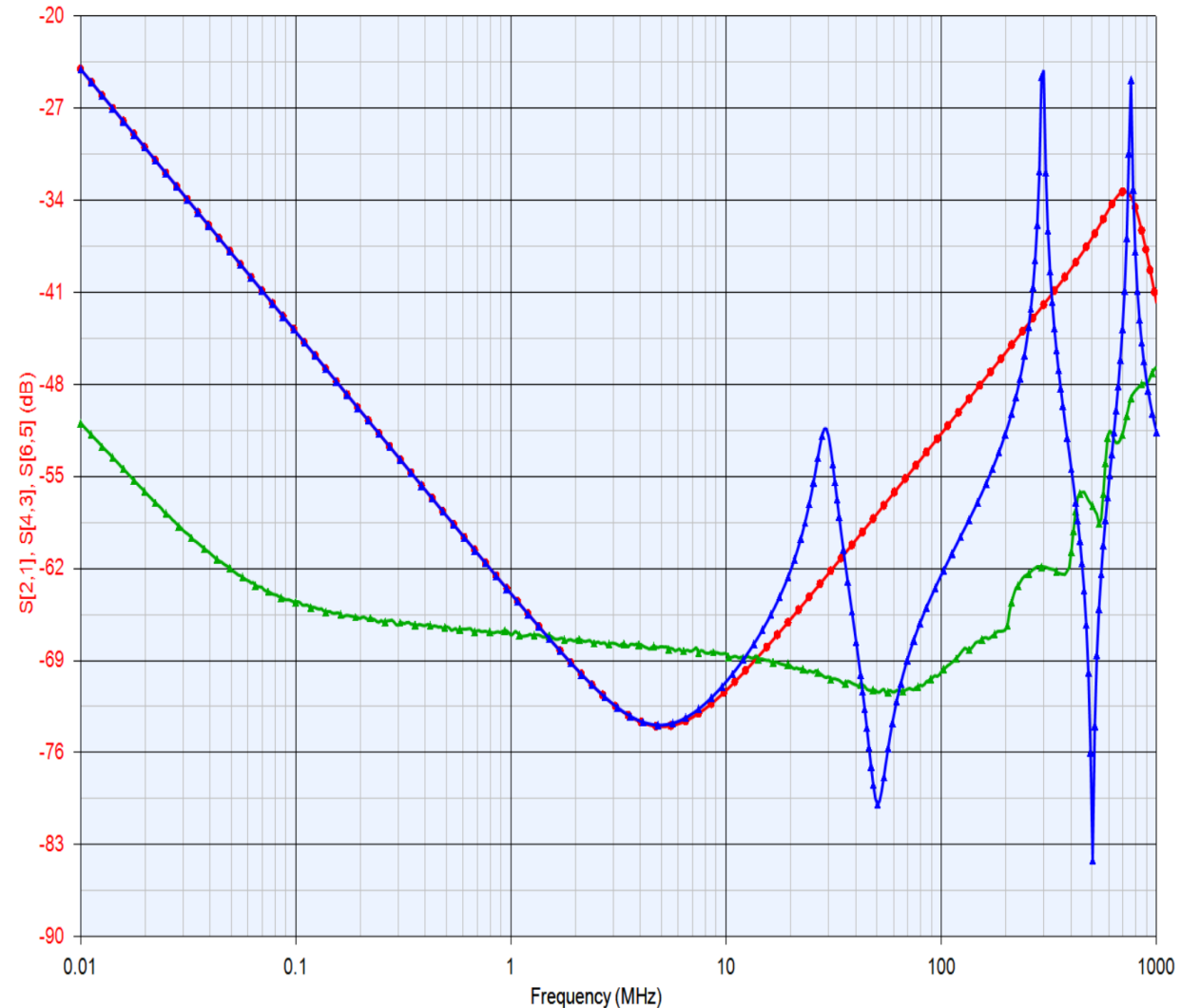
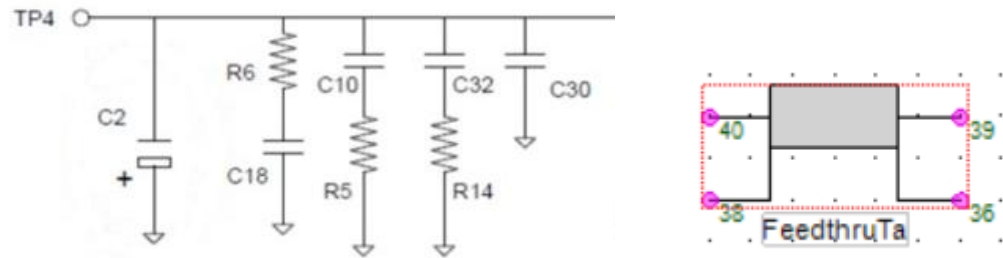


Green=Measured Red=Modelled

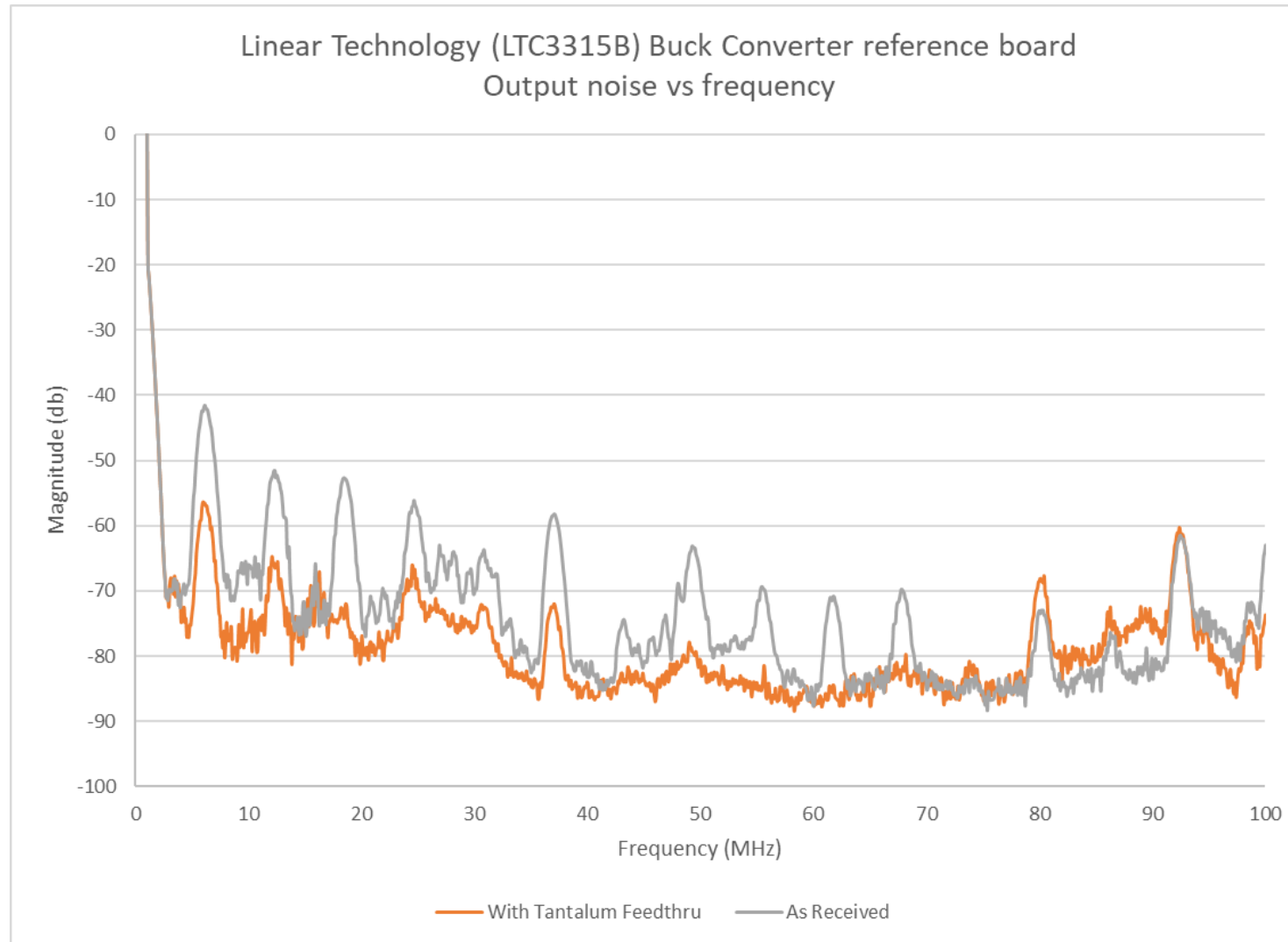
# Example Application: Bias Bank

## Simulation: Low Inductance Cap vs Std Caps in Bias Bank

- Red – Bias Circuit as designed
- Blue – Bias Circuit without resistors R6, R5, R14
- Green – Bias Circuit with LIBC
- LIBC provides improved performance at low frequency and high frequency
- Replaces 8 individual components



# Buck (DC-DC Conversion) Circuit



**Stay tuned for fast moving developments – case sizes, values etc.**

- **Low ESL / Low ESR make circuit use attractive**
- **Highest CV/cc of Low Profiles**
- **Excellent performance of noise absorption at GHz**
  
- **Undertab Terminations Layout:**
  - **High Volumetric Efficiency**
  - **High PCB Assembly Density**
  - **High Capacitance in Smaller Dimensions**
  - **3x Reflow 260°C Compatible**
  - **100% Surge Current Tested**

# THANK YOU.



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