



European Research Project 'HF-Circuits': 'Metrology for New Electrical Measurement Quantities in High-Frequency Circuits'

Overview of Project Achievements

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Overview

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The EMRP is a metrology-focused European programme of coordinated R&D that facilitates closer integration of national research programmes

The EMRP is jointly supported by the European Commission and the participating countries within the European Association of National Metrology Institutes (EURAMET e.V.)

The EMRP will ensure collaboration between National Measurement Institutes, reducing duplication and increasing impact

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The principal goal of this project is to develop the SI system in a way that impacts emerging areas of technology that utilise **RF, microwave, millimetre-wave and submillimetre-wave** electromagnetic science and technology.

Research and development is being undertaken to achieve **traceability** between existing **SI** units, and, the new and evolving quantities and units that are being used in these sectors of 'applied' metrology.

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Project Partners

| National Metrology Institutes (NMIs) | CMI, Czech Republic LNE, France METAS, Switzerland NPL, UK PTB, Germany SP, Sweden VSL, Netherlands |
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| Industrial Partners | Agilent Technologies, Belgium Rohde & Schwarz, Germany |
| Researcher Excellence Grants (REGs) | CTU, Czech Republic FBH, Germany KUL, Belgium ULE, UK |

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Project Work Packages

| No | Title | Person Months |
|----|--|---------------|
| 1 | Traceable Reflection and Transmission Measurements in Metallic Waveguides to 1100 GHz and Coaxial lines to 110 GHz | 69 (28%) |
| 2 | Traceable Multi-port Vector Network Analyser Techniques and Automatic (Electronic) Calibration Techniques | 36 (15%) |
| 3 | Traceable Differential S-parameter Measurements on Planar Circuits to Test Signal Integrity | 27 (11%) |
| 4 | Traceable Nonlinear Measurements and Extreme Load Impedances | 43 (18%) |
| 5 | Vector Measurement Uncertainty and Verification, and, International Guides and Standards | 44 (18%) |
| 6 | Creating Impact | 10 (4%) |
| 7 | Project Management and Coordination | 14 (6%) |

Work Package 1



Traceable Reflection and Transmission Measurements in
Metallic Waveguides to 1100 GHz and Coaxial Lines to 110 GHz

Work Package Leader: PTB

Main research areas:

Metallic waveguides to 1.1 THz

Participants: CMI, LNE, NPL, PTB, R&S, FBH, ULE

Coaxial lines to 110 GHz

Participants: METAS, VSL, NPL, LNE, PTB, R&S

Work Package 2



Traceable Multi-port Vector Network Analyser Techniques and Automatic (Electronic) Calibration Techniques

Work Package Leader: SP

Main research areas:

Multi-ports

Participants: LNE, NPL, PTB, R&S

Electronic Calibration Units (ECU)

Participants: SP, METAS, NPL, PTB

Work Package 3



Traceable Differential S-parameter Measurements on Planar Circuits to Test Signal Integrity

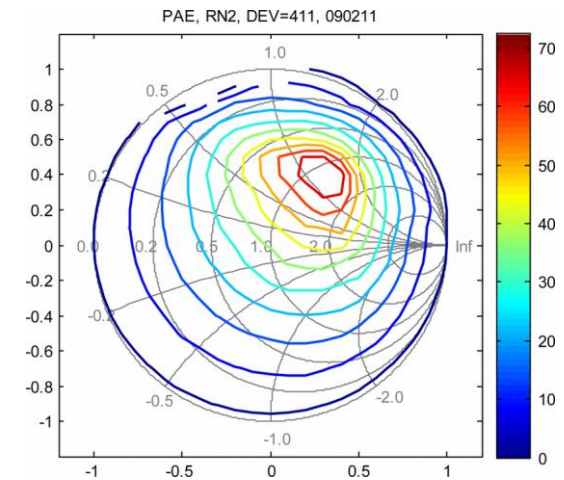
Work Package Leader: NPL

Main research area:

Multi-layer PCBs

Participants: CMI, LNE, PTB, R&S, CTU, FBH

Work Package 4



Traceable Nonlinear Measurements and Extreme Load Impedances

Work Package Leader: CMI

Main research areas:

Nonlinear measurements

Participants: NPL, CMI, Agilent, KUL

Extreme load impedances

Participants: CMI, NPL, CTU

**Guidelines on the Evaluation of
Vector Network Analysers (VNA)**

EURAMET cg-12
Version 2.0 (03/2011)

Previously EA-10/12

Calibration Guide

Work Package 5

Vector Measurement Uncertainty and Verification International Guides and Standards

Work Package Leader: METAS

Main research areas:

Vector measurement uncertainty and verification

Participants: PTB, VSL, LNE, METAS, NPL, R&S

International Guides and Standards

Participants: NPL, METAS, LNE, PTB, SP, VSL

Work Package 6

Creating Impact

Work Package Leader:
LNE

Participants:
All project partners

Main areas:

Training

Exploitation

Knowledge transfer



WP6 – Knowledge Transfer



- Stakeholder Advisory Group (SAG)
- Project web-site
- LinkedIn social media page
- Publications: Metrologia, IEEE Trans-TST, IEEE Trans-MTT
- Conferences: ARFTG, IMS, CPEM, EuMC
- Trade journals: Microwaves & RF, IEEE Microwave Magazine
- Standards Committees: IEEE P287, P1785, P370, P1770, (P1765)
- Metrology Committees: EURAMET TC-EM, BIPM JCGM-WG1



WP6 – Training

- European ANAMET meetings (six meetings scheduled)
- 3 Technical Workshops; 3 Training Courses
 - ECUs
 - VNA Best Practice
 - Revised EURAMET VNA Guide
 - Multiport VNA measurements
- Guest working
 - KU Leuven \Rightarrow NPL
 - University of Leeds \Leftrightarrow NPL
 - VSL \Rightarrow METAS
 - Others from outside the Consortium

Summary

- Project launched: 1 July 2013
- Web-site (www.hfcircuits.org)
- LinkedIn Group 'HF-Circuits: EMRP Project'
- Stakeholder Advisory Group – 6 key 'industrialists'
- Many presentations and papers published
- All project deliverables successfully achieved
- Final meeting: **Today!**
- **Project completes: 30 June 2016**

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