

# POWER INTEGRITY THROUGH PDN IMPEDANCE MEASUREMENT



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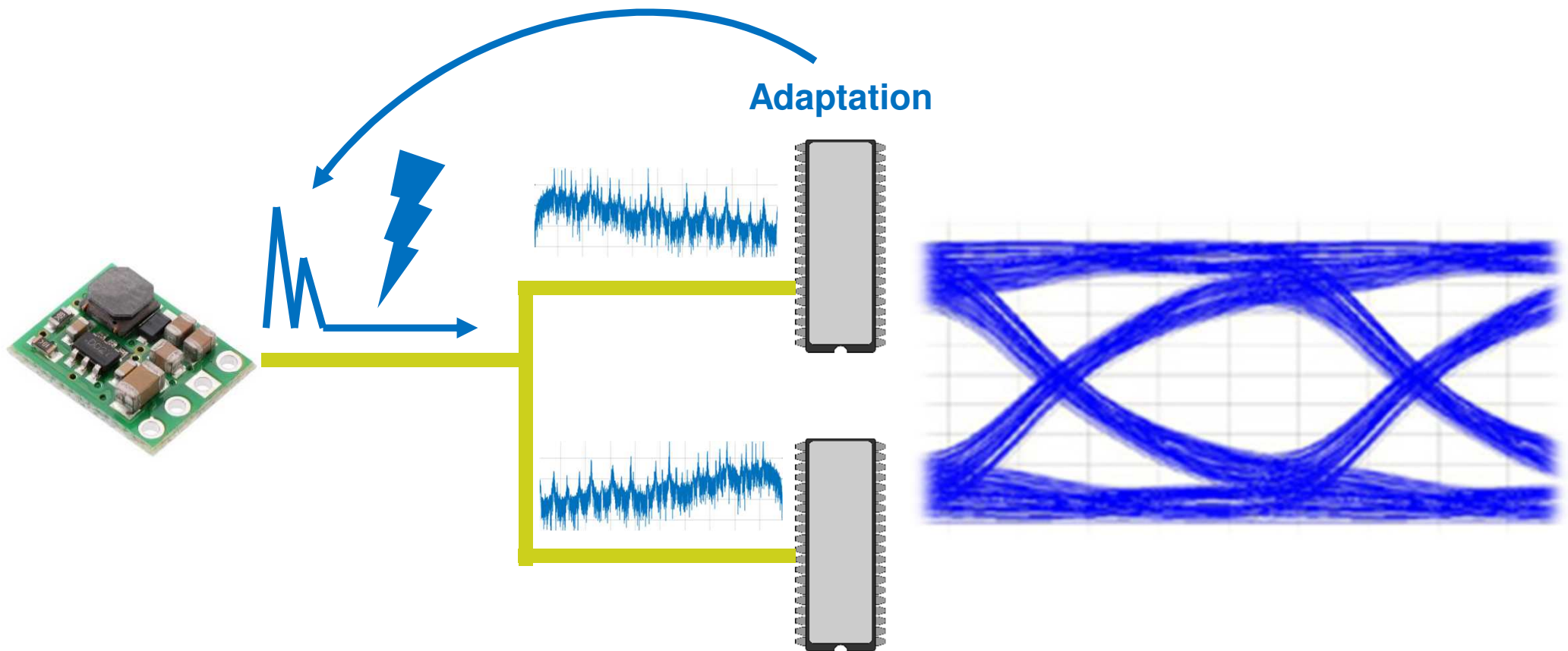
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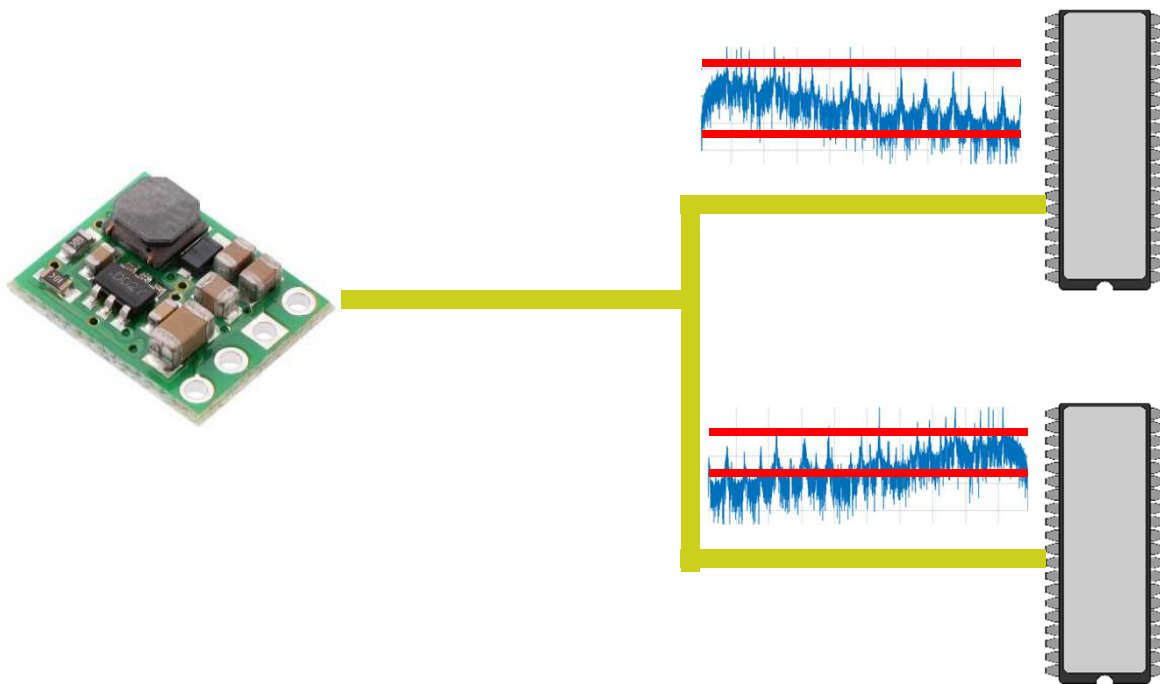
Make ideas real



# POWER INTEGRITY AND SIGNAL INTEGRITY



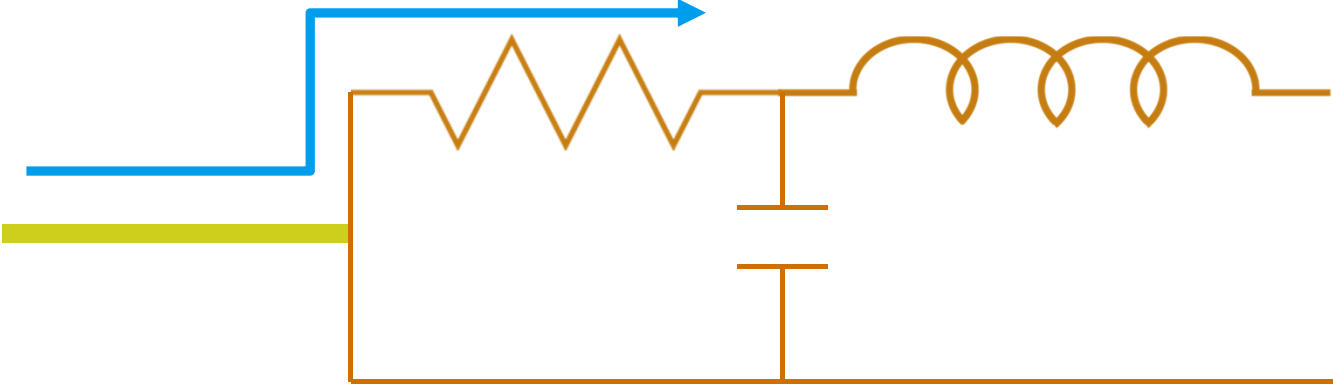
# POWER INTEGRITY AND SIGNAL INTEGRITY



Usually small value!

$$Z_{PDN \text{ target}} < \frac{V_{L \text{ noise}}}{I_{L \text{ worst-case}}}$$

# POWER DELIVERY NETWORKS AND TRANSMISSION LINES

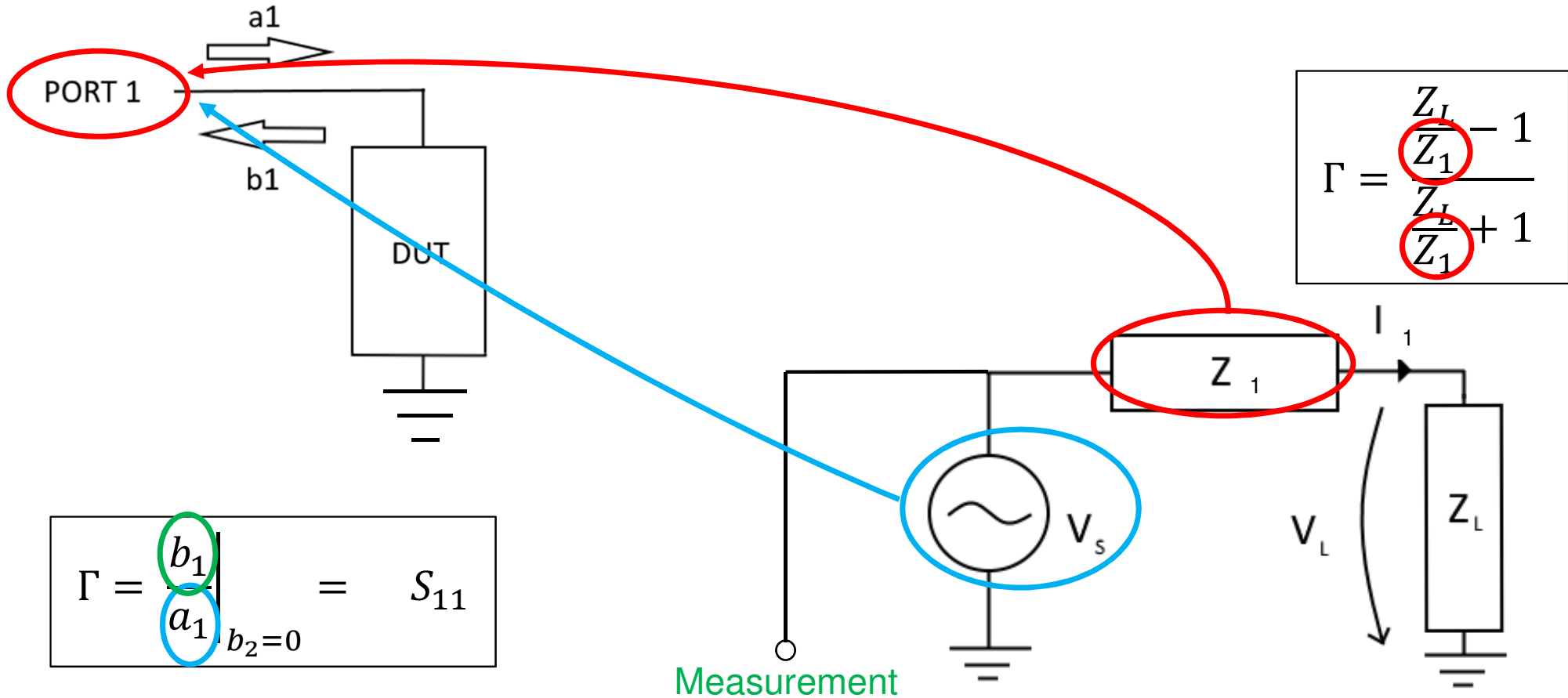


# HOW TO MEASURE IMPEDANCE WITH VNA

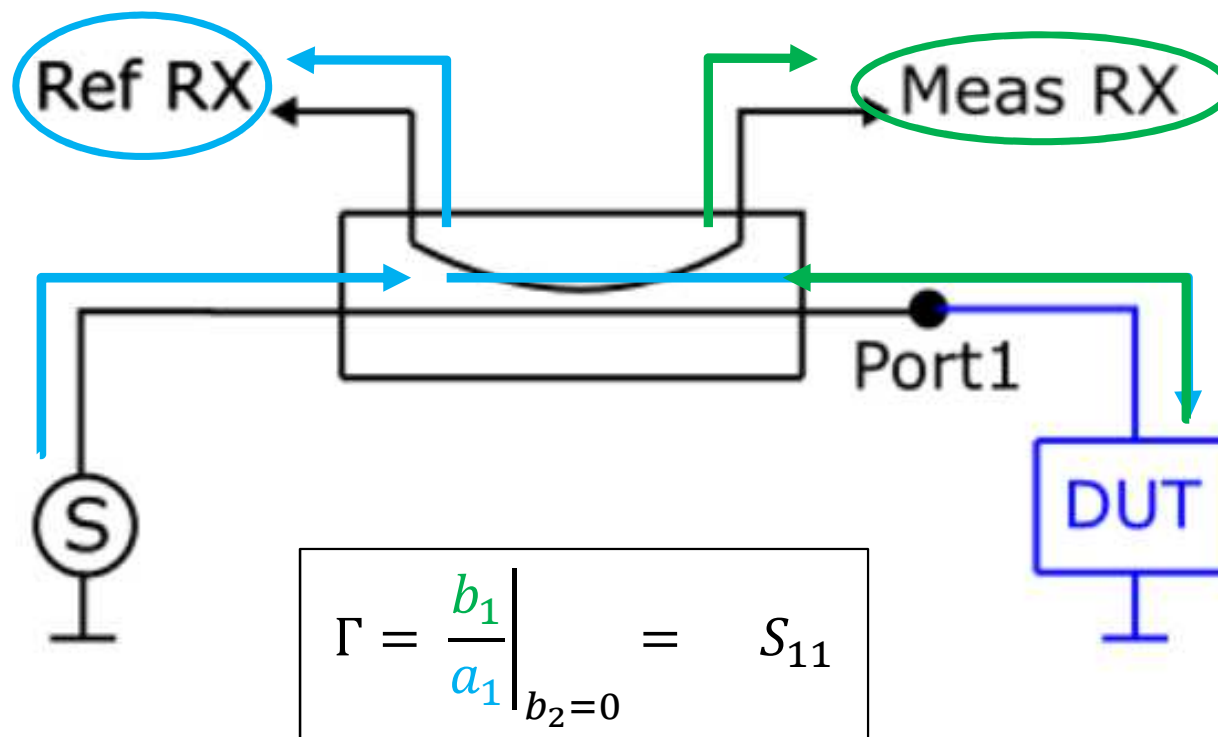


1. Reflection setup
2. Transmission setup
3. Shunt-transmission setup

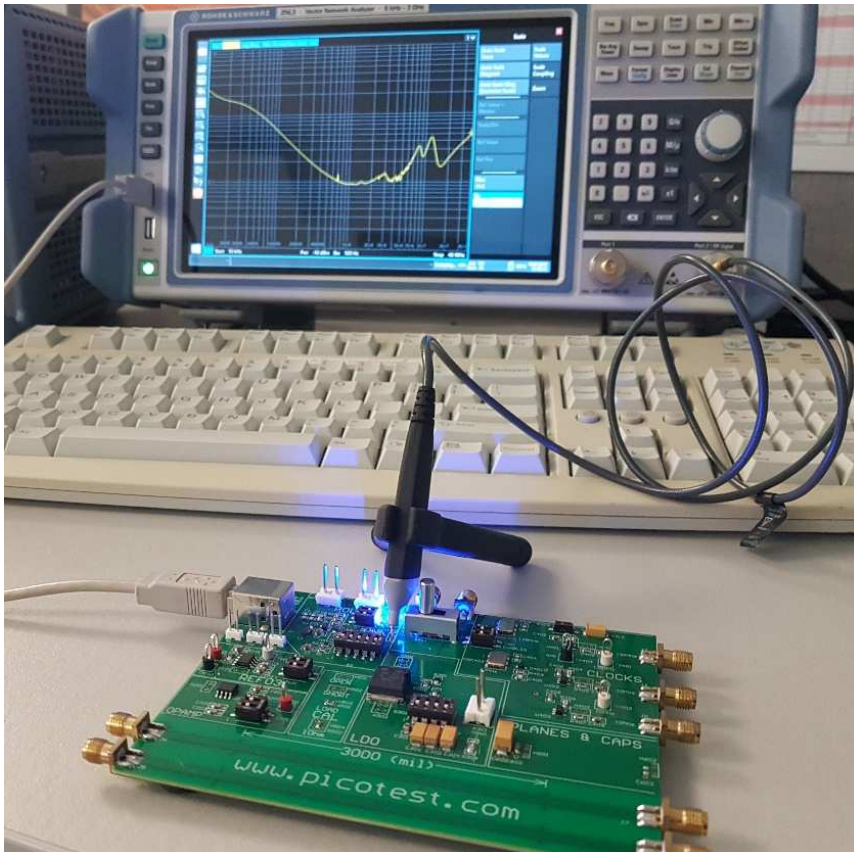
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$$\Gamma = \left. \frac{b_1}{a_1} \right|_{b_2=0} = S_{11}$$

$$\Gamma = \frac{\frac{Z_L}{Z_1} - 1}{\frac{Z_L}{Z_1} + 1}$$

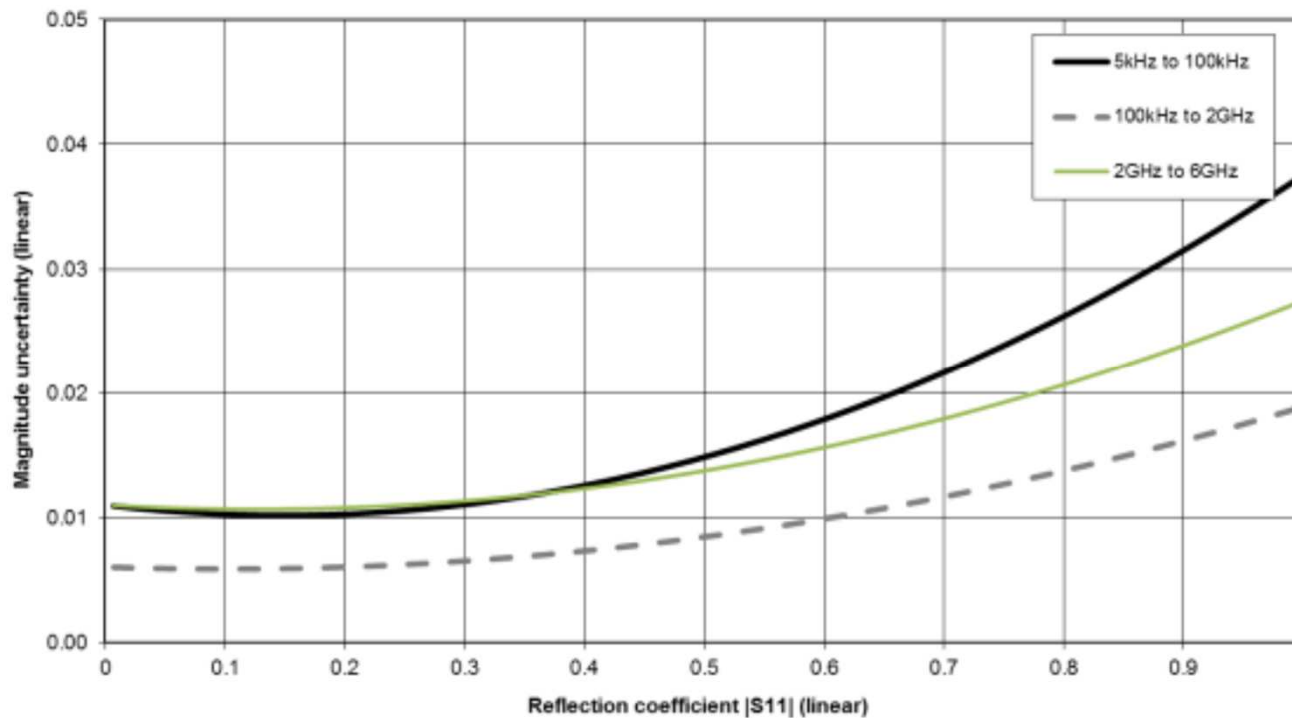
$$Z_L = Z_1 \cdot \frac{1 + S_{11}}{1 - S_{11}}$$

$$Z_{\text{probe}} = 50 \Omega \rightarrow Z_1 = 50 \Omega$$

$$Z_{\text{probe}} \neq 50 \Omega \rightarrow Z_1 = 50 \Omega + \text{Probe } Z$$



# REFLECTION SETUP – VALIDITY



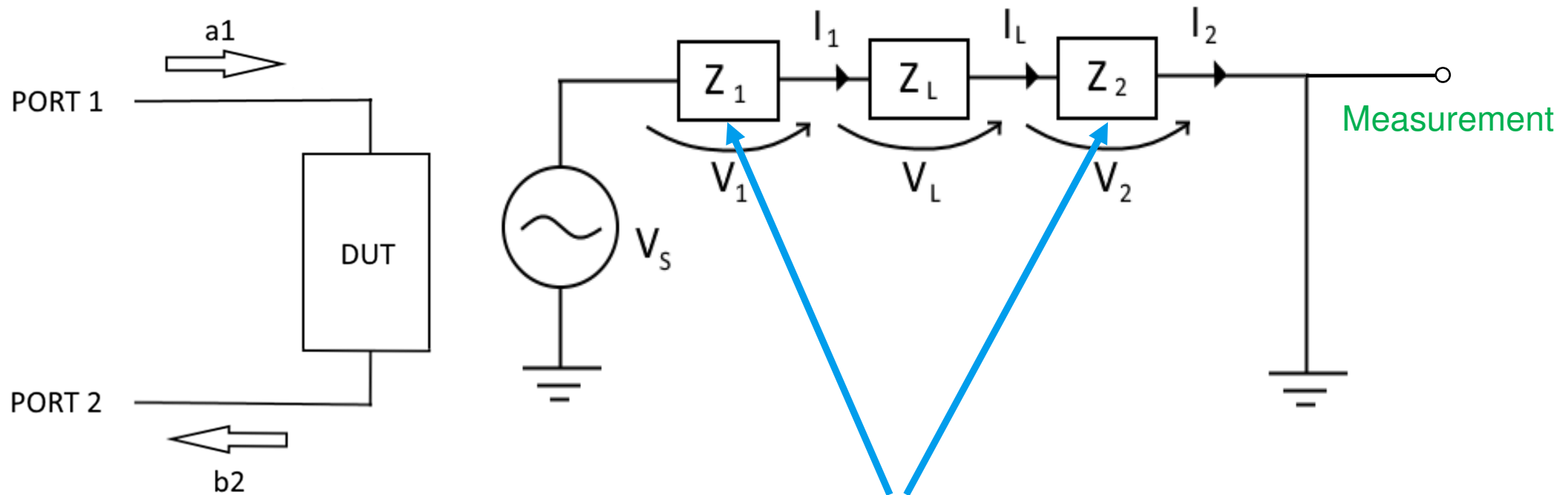
$$Z_L = 50 \cdot \frac{1 + S_{11}}{1 - S_{11}}$$

Most wave reflected  
( $\Gamma \rightarrow 1$ )?

High uncertainty!

Approx. 10% uncertainty  
between 10  $\Omega$  and 200  $\Omega$

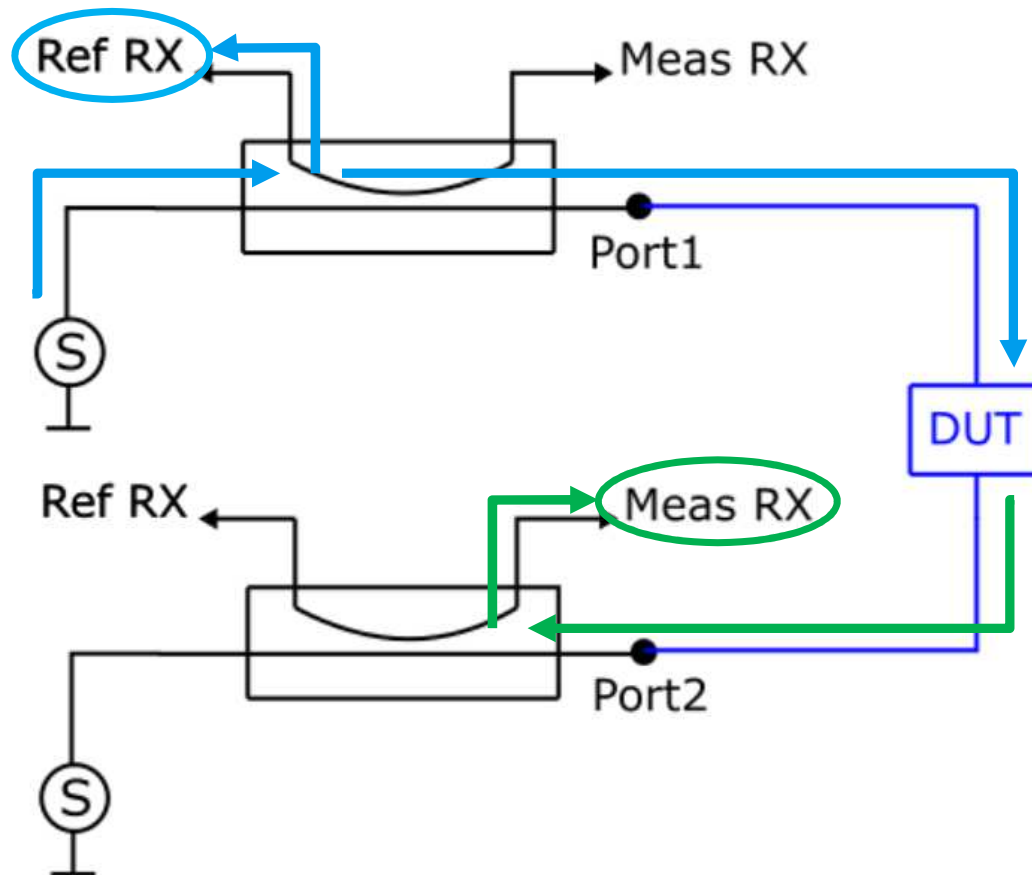
# TRANSMISSION SETUP



Low uncertainty only at high  $Z$

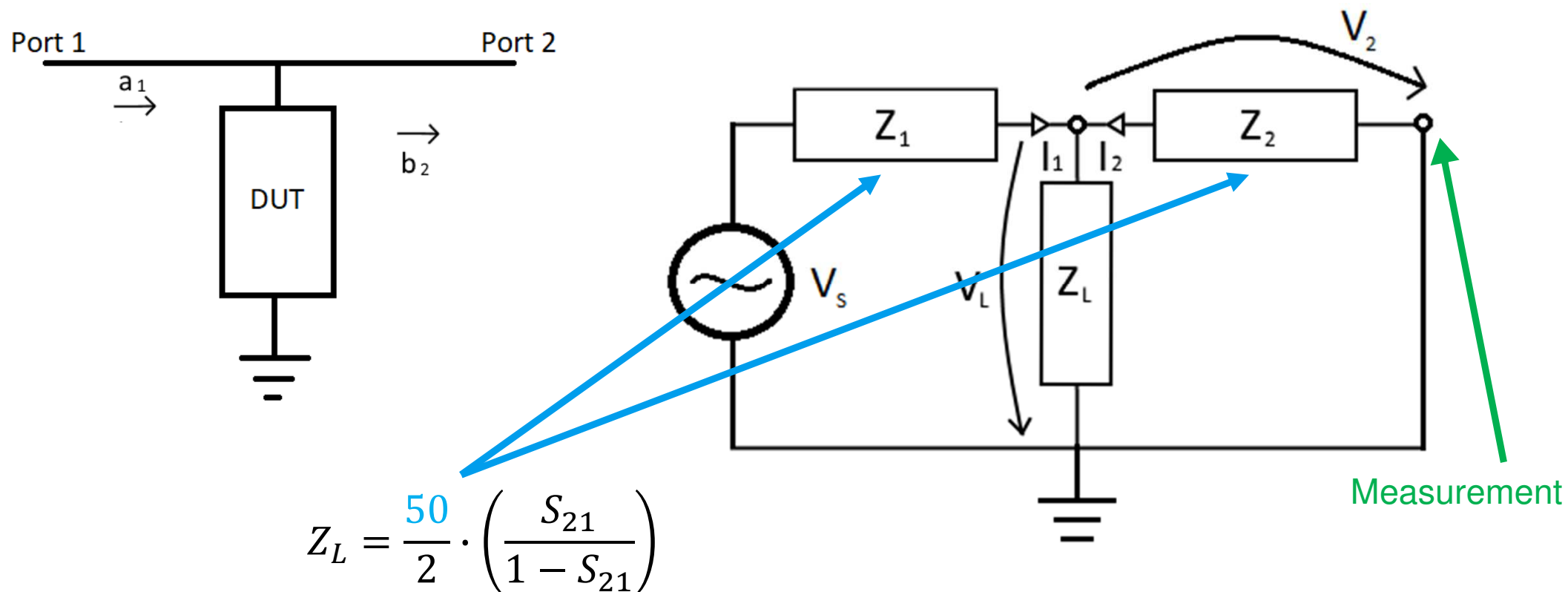
$$Z_L = \frac{50}{2} \cdot \left( \frac{1 - S_{21}}{S_{21}} \right)$$

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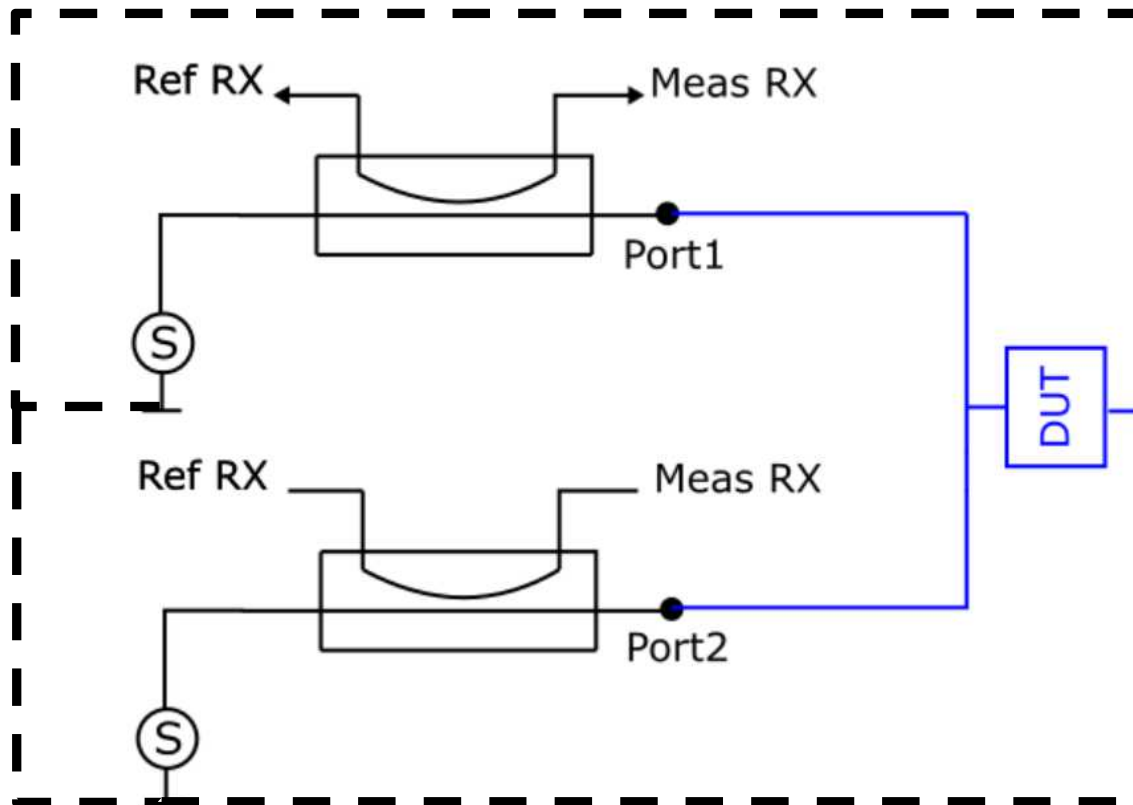


$$\left. \frac{b_2}{a_1} \right|_{b_1=0} = S_{21}$$

# SHUNT-TRANSMISSION SETUP



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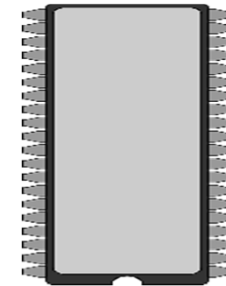
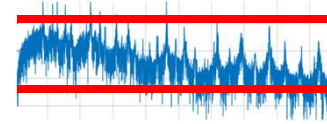


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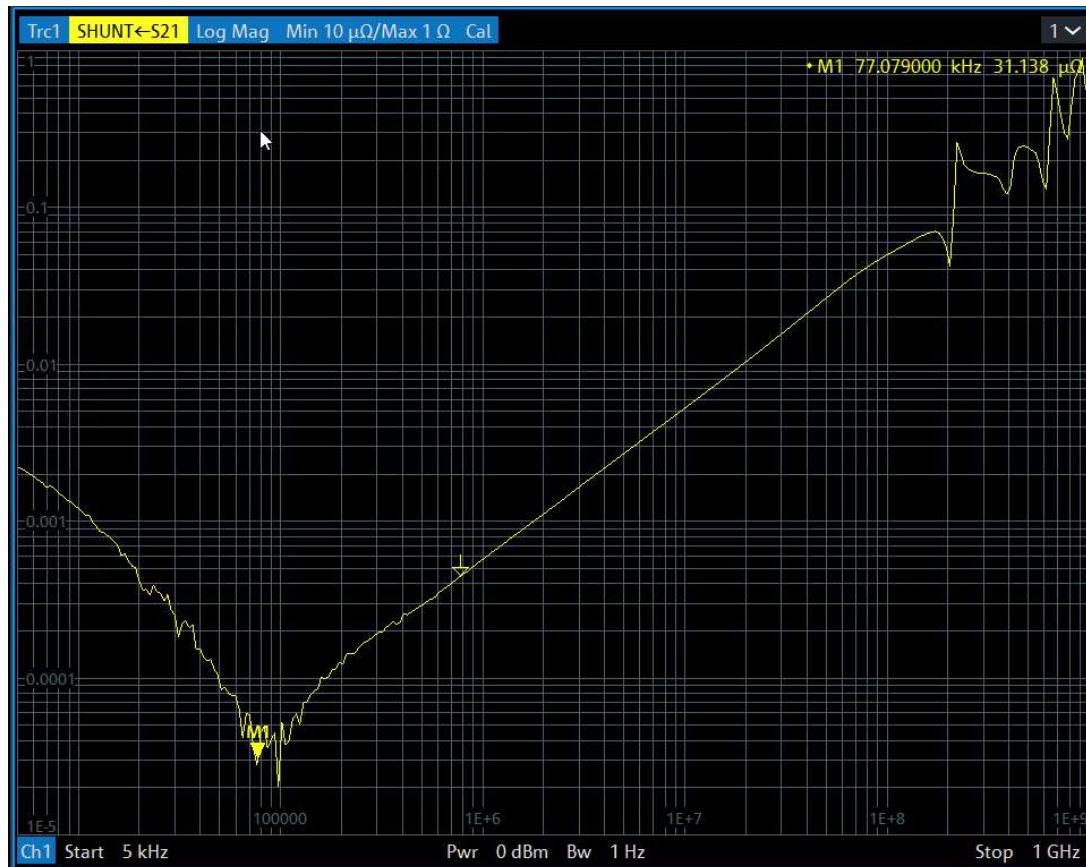
$$Z_{P\text{DN target}} < \frac{V_{L\text{ noise}}}{I_{L\text{ worst-case}}}$$



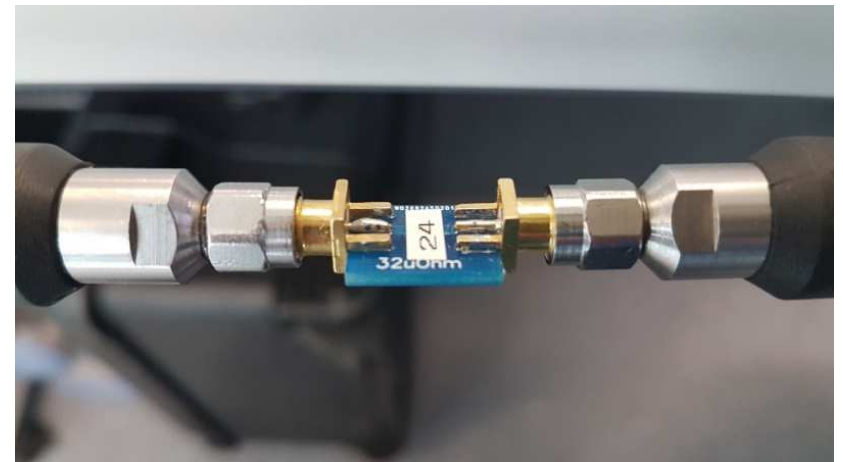
$$Z_L = \frac{50}{2} \cdot \left( \frac{S_{21}}{1 - S_{21}} \right)$$

Can measure in mΩ range

# SHUNT-TRANSMISSION SETUP



Measurement of  
 $32\mu\Omega$  (@ DC) resistor



# SHUNT-TRANSMISSION SETUP



Not enough Z span?

$$Z_L = \frac{Z_0}{2} \cdot \left( \frac{S_{21}}{1 - S_{21}} \right)$$

Use high-Z probes!



# SHUNT-TRANSMISSION SETUP



$$Z_L = \frac{50}{2} \cdot \left( \frac{S_{21}}{1 - S_{21}} \right)$$

Approx. 1 x mΩ to 1 x kΩ

$$Z_L = \frac{10 \cdot 50}{2} \cdot \left( \frac{S_{21}}{1 - S_{21}} \right)$$

Approx. 10 x mΩ to 10 x kΩ

# SHUNT-TRANSMISSION SETUP – 10:1 PROBES

