

FFT Advanced Tools for RSE and EMI Measurements

under the view of CISPR-16-2-x

EUT Timing analysis for correct measurement time settings
in receivers, spectrum analyzers or FFT-based instruments

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Re-organization of CISPR16 Publications in 2003

CISPR 16-1	Radio disturbance and immunity measuring apparatus		CISPR 16-1-1	Measuring apparatus
			CISPR 16-1-2	Ancillary equipment – Conducted disturbances
			CISPR 16-1-3	Ancillary equipment – Disturbance power
			CISPR 16-1-4	Ancillary equipment – Radiated disturbances
			CISPR 16-1-5	Antenna calibration test sites for 30 MHz to 1 000 MHz
CISPR 16-2	Methods of measurement of disturbances and immunity		CISPR 16-2-1	Conducted disturbance measurements
			CISPR 16-2-2	Measurement of disturbance power
			CISPR 16-2-3	Radiated disturbance measurements
			CISPR 16-2-4	Immunity measurements
CISPR 16-3	Reports and recommendations of CISPR		CISPR 16-3	CISPR technical reports
			CISPR 16-4-1	Uncertainties in standardised EMC tests
			CISPR 16-4-2	Measurement instrumentation uncertainty
			CISPR 16-4-3	Statistical considerations in the determination of EMC compliance of mass-produced products
CISPR 16-4	Uncertainty in EMC measurements		CISPR 16-4-4	Statistics of complaints and a model for the calculation of limits

CISPR16-2 -1 / -2 / -3



CISPR 16-2-3

Edition 3.2 2014-03

INTERNATIONAL STANDARD

Specification for radio disturbance and immunity measuring apparatus and methods –
Part 2-3: Methods of measurement of disturbances and immunity – Radiated disturbance measurements

<u>CISPR 16-2-1</u>	Conducted disturbance measurements
<u>CISPR 16-2-2</u>	Measurement of disturbance power
<u>CISPR 16-2-3</u> Edition 3.2 2014-03	Radiated disturbance measurements



CISPR16-2 -1 / -2 / -3 Minimum Scan Times

X Table 1 – Minimum scan times for the three CISPR bands with peak and quasi-peak detectors

Frequency band		Scan time T_s for peak detection	Scan time T_s for quasi-peak detection
A	9 kHz to 150 kHz	14,1 s	2 820 s = 47 min
B	0,15 MHz to 30 MHz	2,985 s	5 970 s = 99,5 min = 1 h 39 min
C and D	30 MHz to 1 000 MHz	0,97 s	19 400 s = 323,3 min = 5 h 23 min

Depending on the type of disturbance, the scan time may have to be increased – even for quasi-peak measurements. In extreme cases, the measurement time T_m at a certain frequency may have to be increased to 15 s, if the level of the observed emission is not steady (see 6.5.1). However isolated clicks are excluded.

X *Many sections of the 3 standard parts have the same content. Numbering and indices are different.*

Scan time translates into...

- “dwell time“ in a stepped scan (e.g. in receiver mode)
- “sweep time“ in a swept scan (e.g. in analyzer mode)

CISPR16-2 all parts – since edition 1

6.5.2 Scan rates for scanning receivers and spectrum analyzers

One of two conditions need to be met to ensure that signals are not missed during automatic scans over frequency spans:

- 1) for a single sweep: the measurement time at each frequency must be larger than the intervals between pulses for intermittent signals;
- 2) for multiple sweeps with maximum hold: the observation time at each frequency should be sufficient for intercepting intermittent signals.

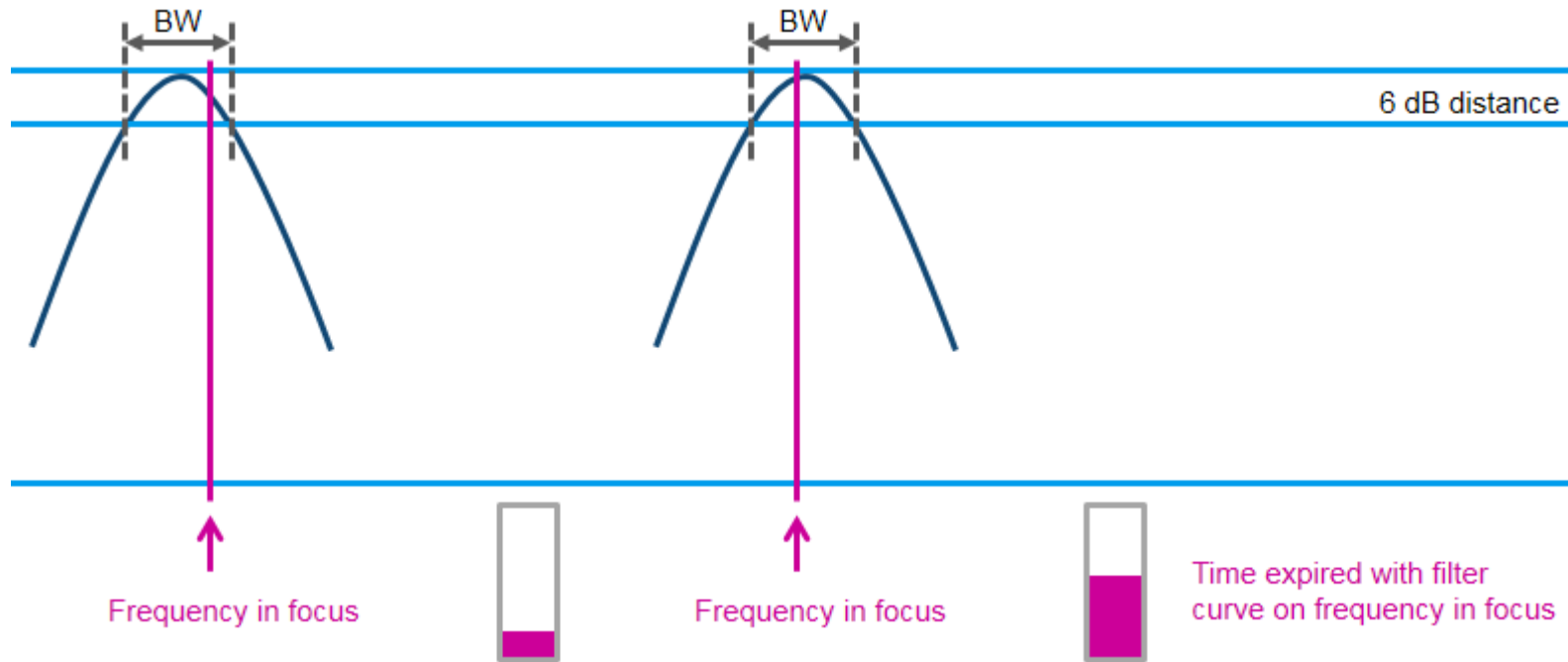
In focus of clause 6.5.2:

- the measurement time at each frequency
- intervals between pulses
- intercepting intermittent signals

The number of frequency points is an important parameter and needs to be considered especially in sweeps / analyzer mode.



CISPR16-2 all parts – Measurement Time per Frequency

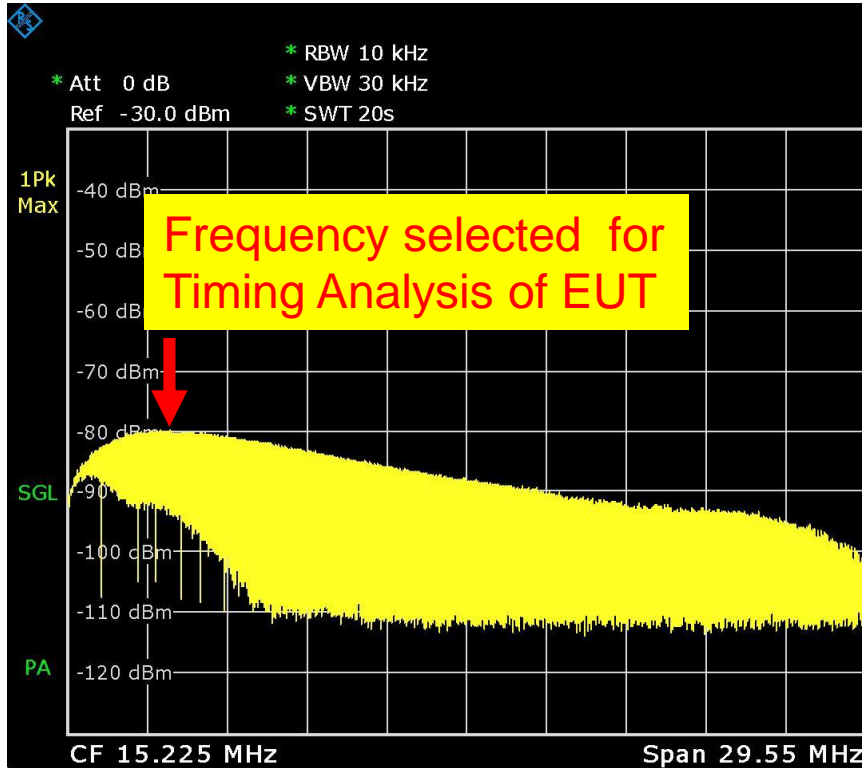


Even for a swept scan it is possible to discuss about a measurement time per frequency. This graph explains, how “CISPR A” understands the term measurement time at each frequency.

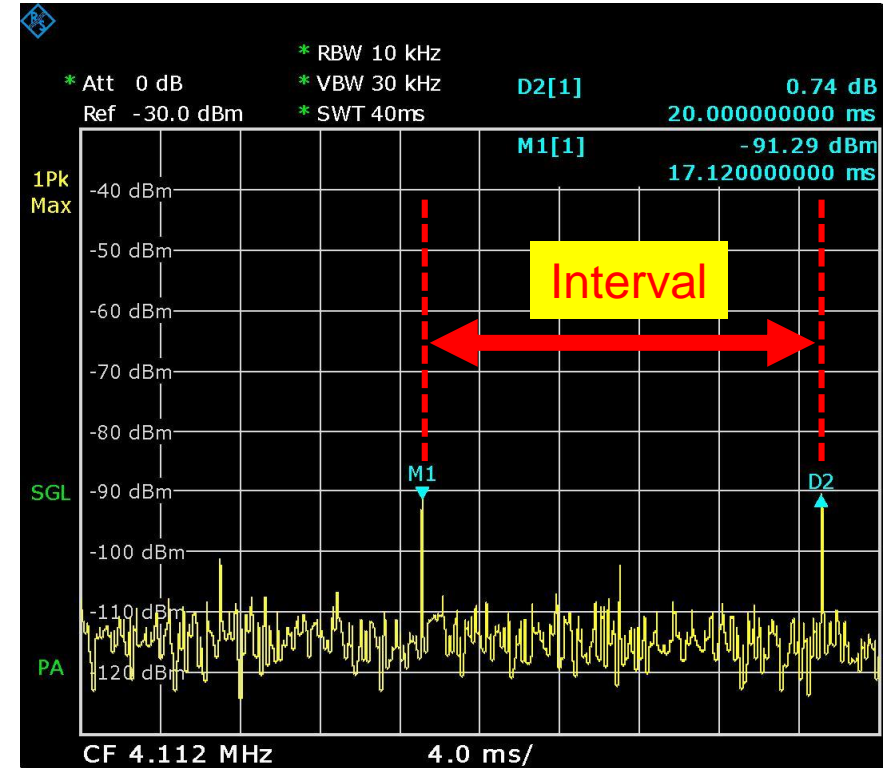
Effect 1

CISPR16-2 all parts – Interval between Pulses

EUT: Interval between Pulses = 20 ms

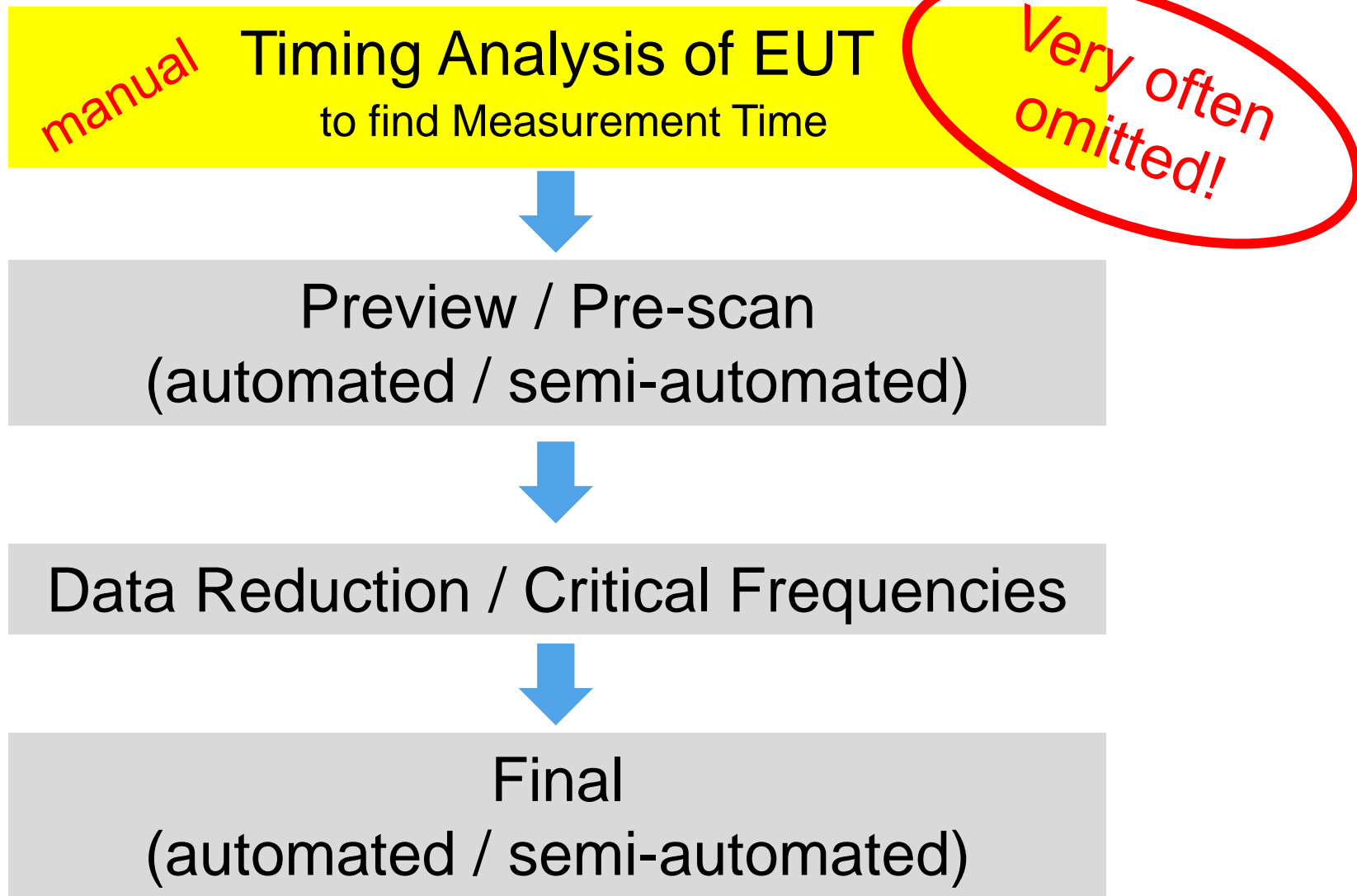


Frequency sweep:
> 15 sec; around 6,000 points *)
Thick trace → intermittent signal



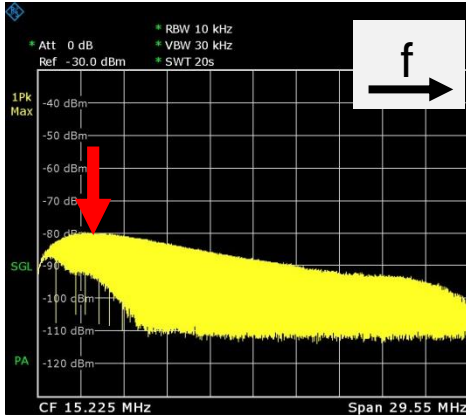
ZERO SPAN mode:
Analysis of EUT behavior
in the time domain.

CISPR16-2 all parts – Analysis Steps



CISPR16-2 all parts – EUT Timing Analysis

Example Results



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Step 1) “Thick Trace?”

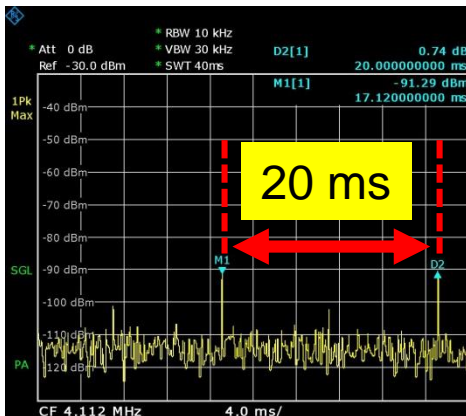
Detector: Pos. Peak
No. of points:
e.g. approx. 6000 in Bd. B
SWT = 15 s
Thick trace: >> 2 dB

Out of experience:
if the settings of CISPR 16-2-x are applied,
a thick trace is a good indicator for an
intermittent interferer.

Optional Step 3) for a swept scan
Calculating the sweep time.

Measurement Parameter

Start Frequency	150 kHz
Stop Frequency	30 MHz
Bandwidth	
RBW	10 kHz
Stepsize*	
50% of RBW	5.0 kHz
Frequency Span	29.85 MHz
Calculated Number of Steps resp. Calculated Number of Frequency Points	5970
Measurement Time per Step *)	20 ms
Total Observation Time =[MT per step] * [calc. Number of steps]	120 s



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Step 2) “Zero Span”

Timing Analysis prior to
the actual measurement
For a stepped scan,
the result of step 2 can
be directly used.

Discussion of Measurement Parameters

Measurement Parameter

Spectrum Ana. 150 kHz to 30 MHz

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Result of step 2)

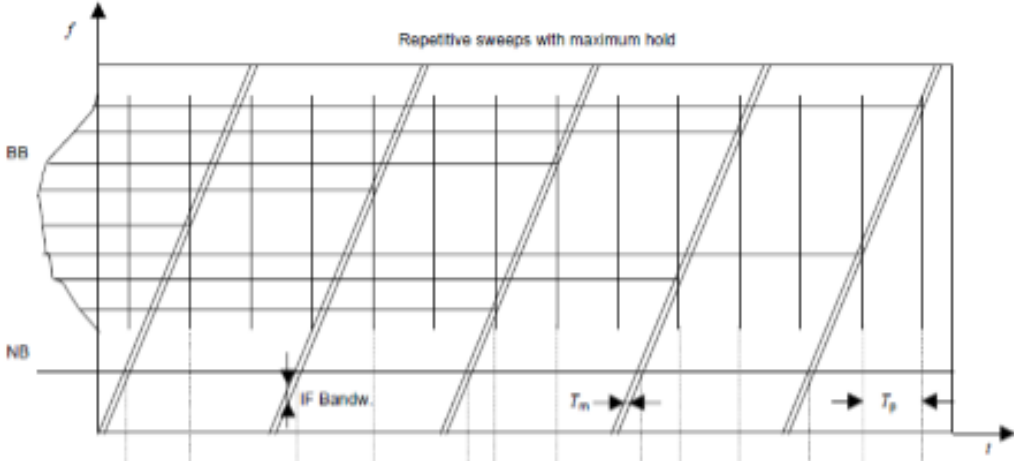
Result of step 3)

*) Even for a sweep it is strongly recommended to think in steps to determine the speed requirements.

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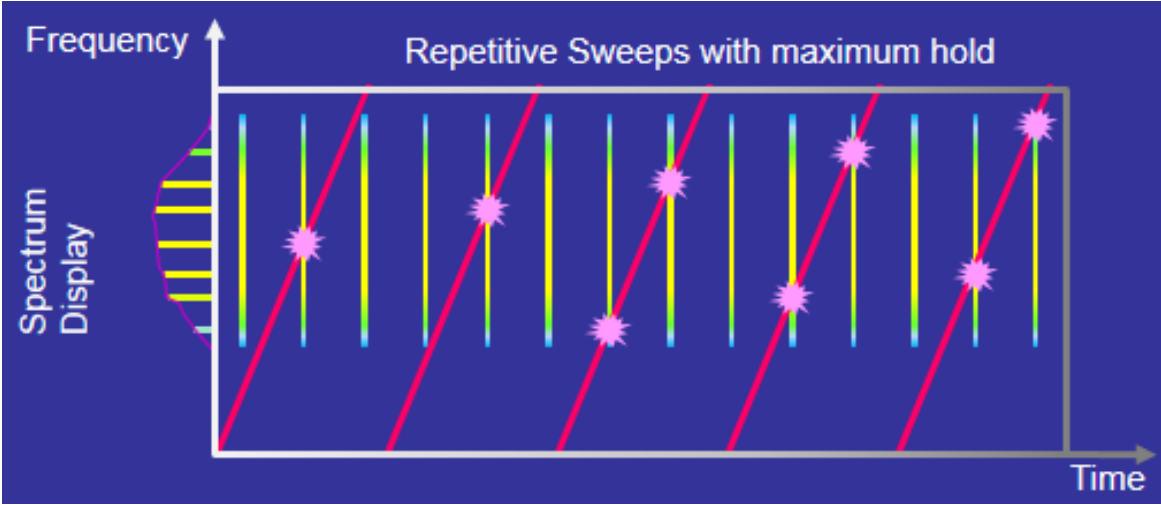
Important Graph: Visualization of Interceptions

Intercept chart
in standard

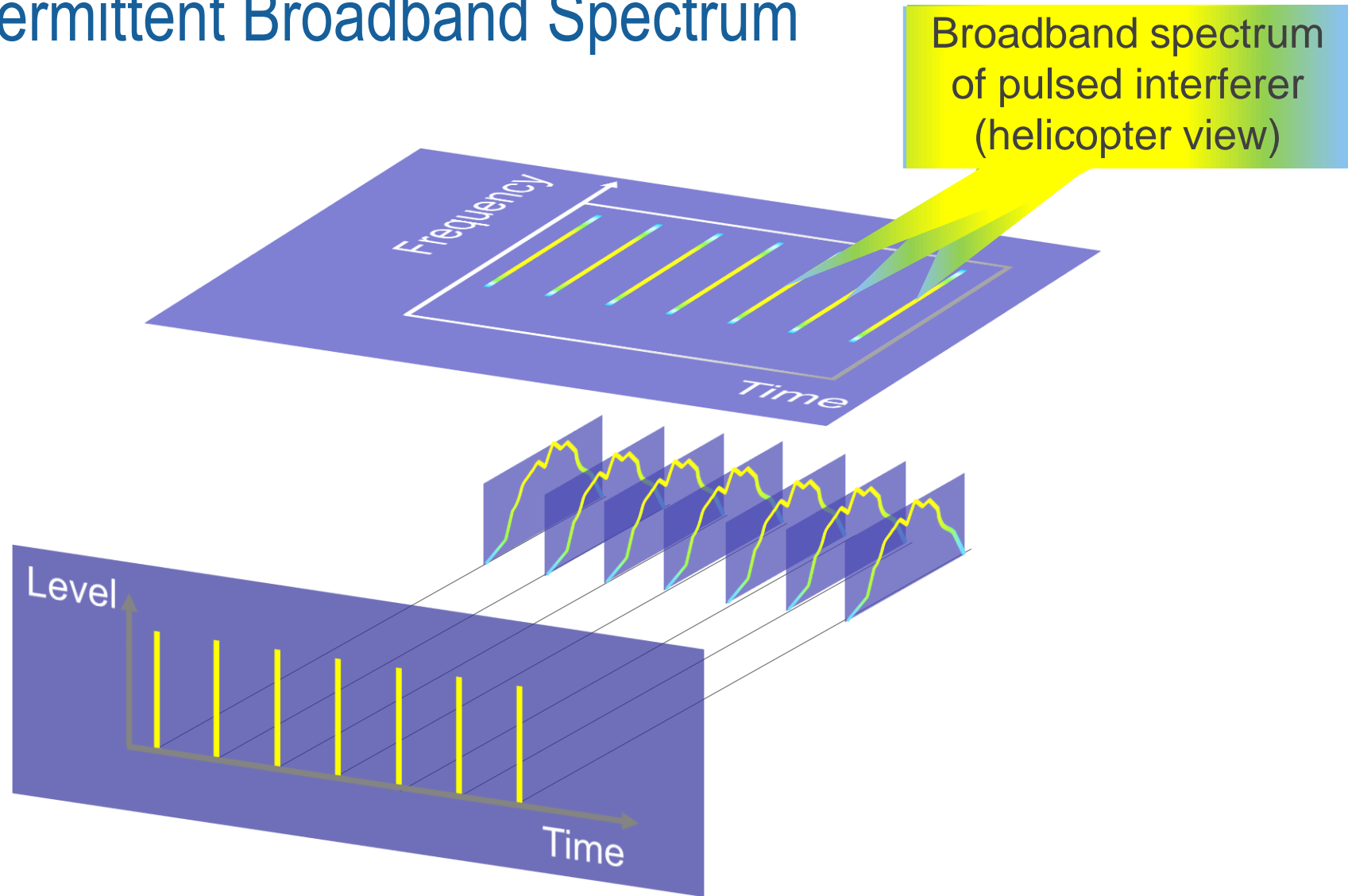


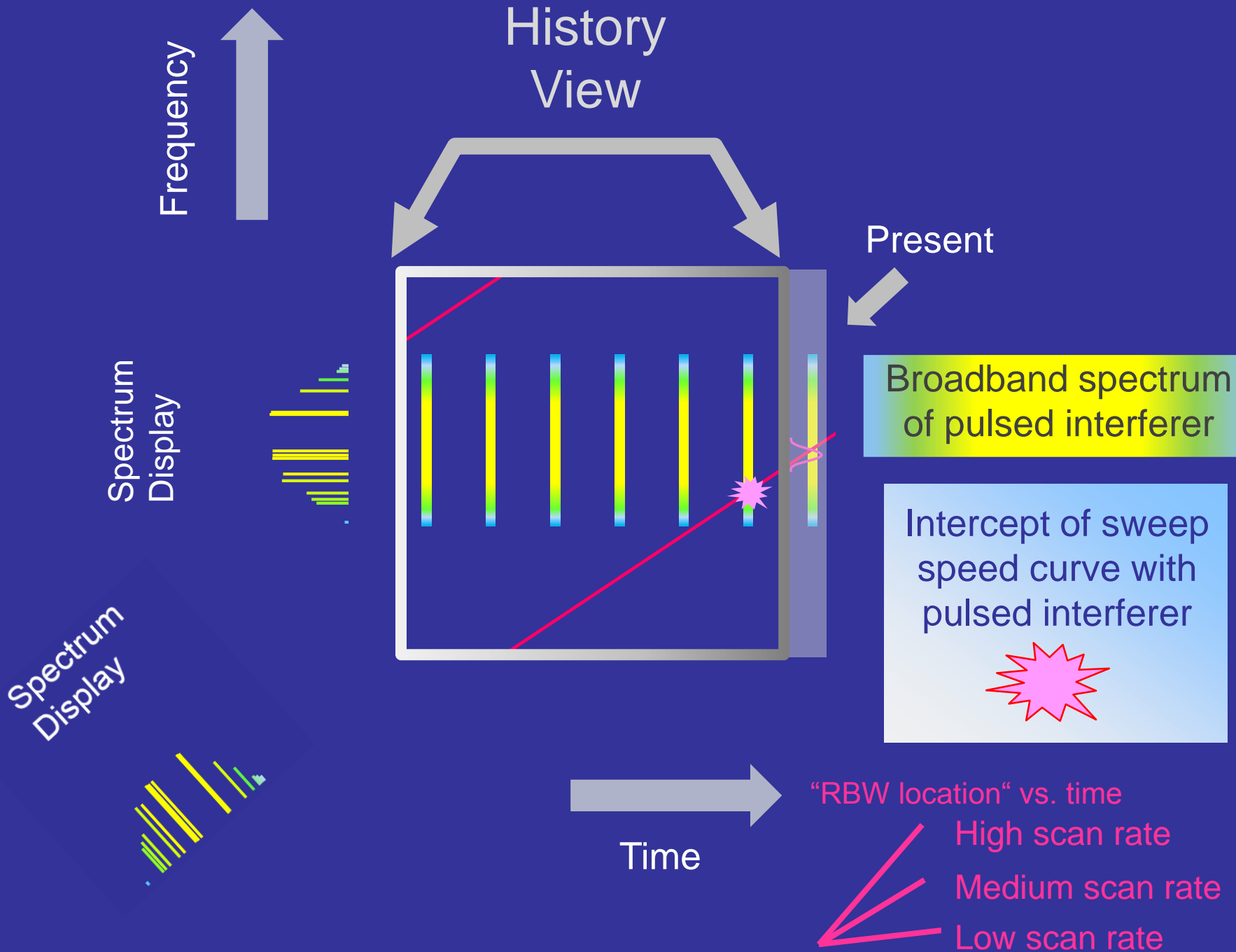
IEC 752/10

Intercept chart
with color



Intermittent Broadband Spectrum



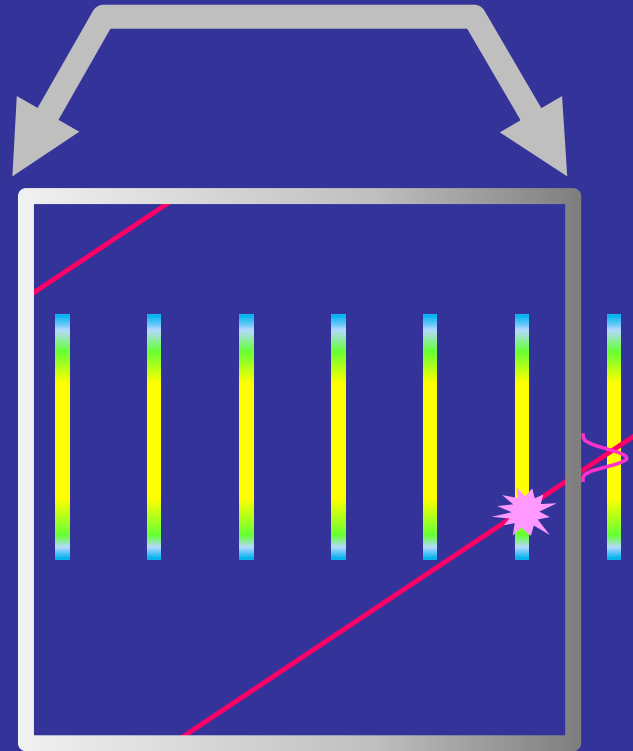


Spectrum
Display

Frequency



History
View



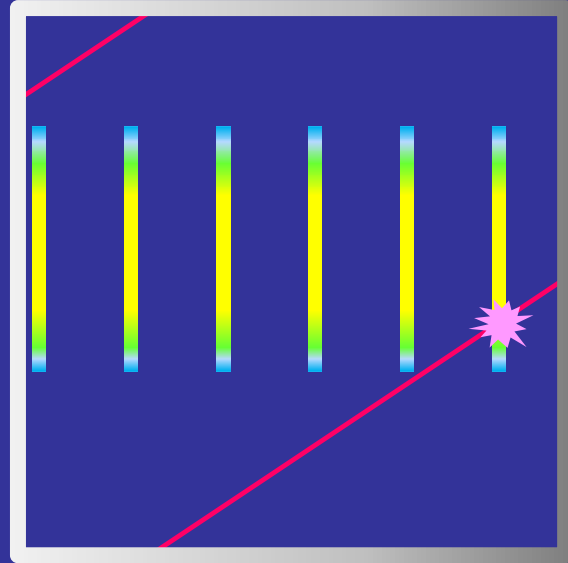
Time

Intercept of sweep
speed curve with
pulsed interferer

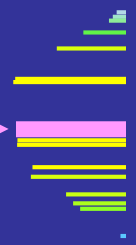


Frequency ↑

History View

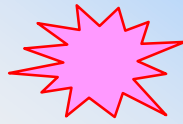


Spectrum Display



Due to the intercept a new trace pixel is created.

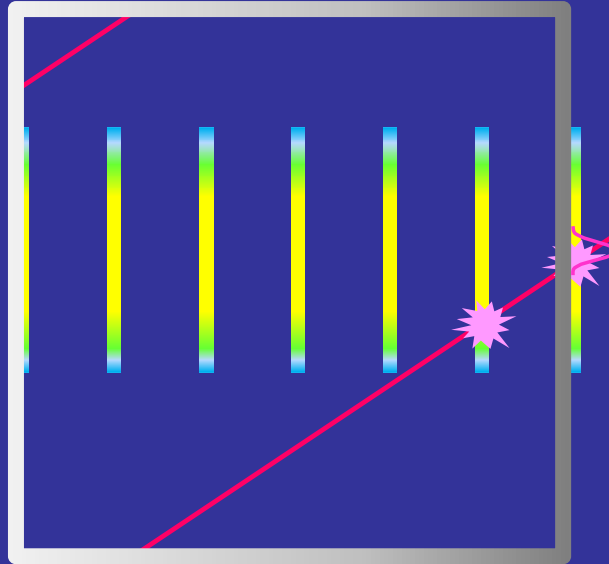
Intercept of sweep speed curve with pulsed interferer



Time

Spectrum
Display

Frequency

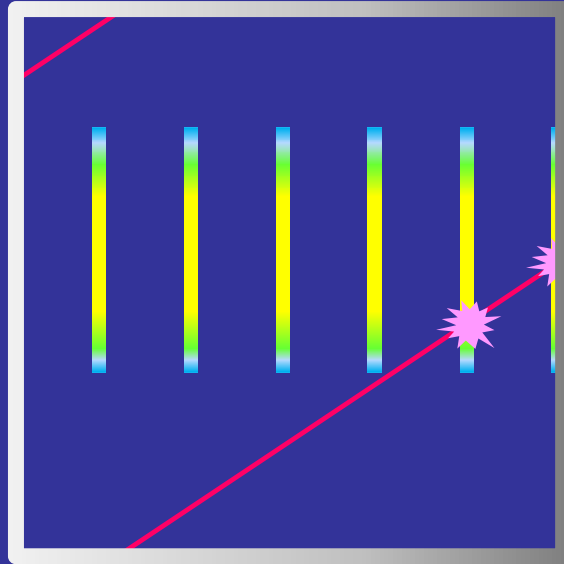


Time

How to close all gaps?

Spectrum
Display

Frequency

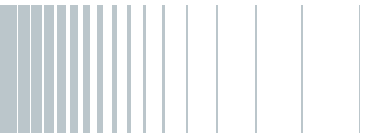


Time

Effect 2

EUT Timing Analysis to minimize Risk of Gaps

- The EUT Timing Analysis helps to find the correct measurement time per frequency
- For spectrum analyzers the measurement time per frequency translates into a sweep time setting
- For scanning receivers (stepped scan!) the measurement time per frequency translates into a dwell time.
- The correct settings will increase the match of the measurement curve with the “Spectrum Envelope“
- A gap smaller than 2 dB is regarded as a good match of the measurement curve with the Spectrum Envelope.



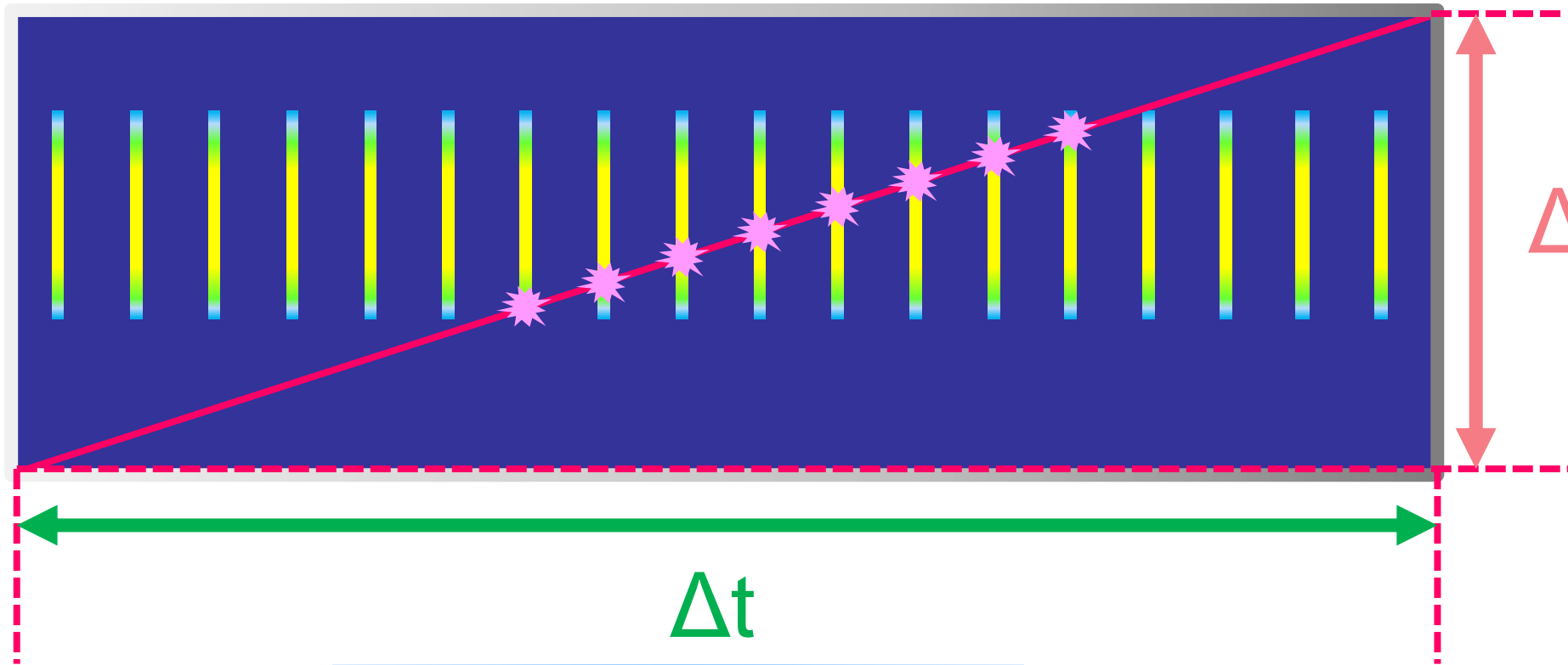
EUT Timing Analysis Step by Step

- Spectrum analyzer with sweep time = 15 sec
- Activate sufficient frequency points → approach step size = 50% of RBW
 - CISPR Band B: 6000 @ RBW = 9 kHz
 - CISPR Band C/D 16000 @ RBW = 120 kHz
 - If the analyzer can not handle such amount of points then the span has to be reduced accordingly
- Trace Detector: Max Peak or Positive Peak
- Single Sweep
- Check for a „thick trace“ e.g. > 10 dB. This is an indicator for an intermittent signal (pulsed signal)
- Place a marker on a high level of the thick band in the display
- Select the marker frequency as the new center frequency
- Switch to “zero span“.
- Modify the sweep settings: e.g. sweep time (time window span) = 100 ms
- Find out the interval between two pulses / trenches, etc.
- In case of irregular peak patterns select a sweep time, where often 5 peaks occur in the display. Then divide the sweep time by 4 to get a useful measurement time per frequency point.

Signal Interception

$$\Delta f / \Delta t$$

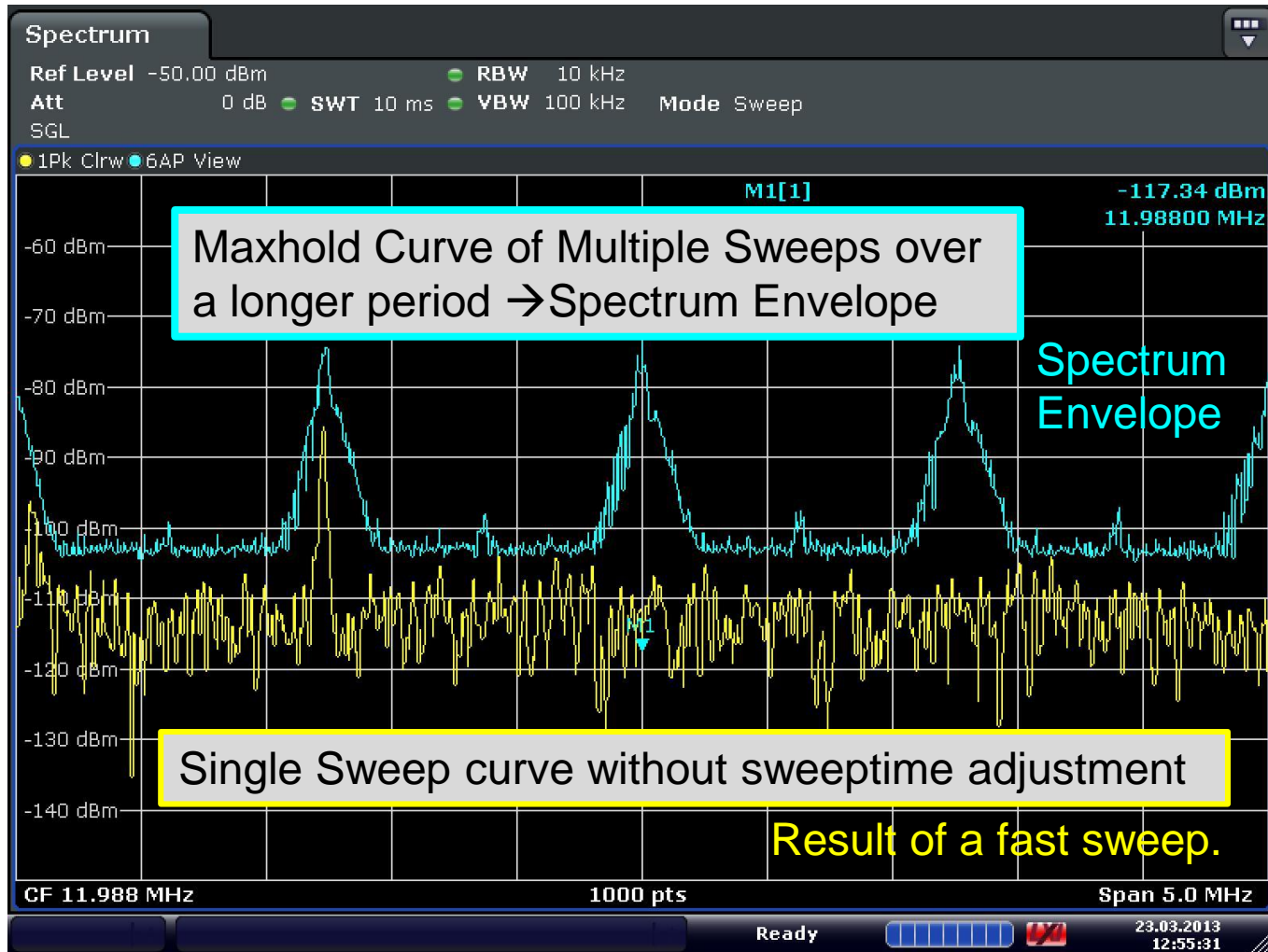
A low scan rate...



...leads to a high probability of intercept per sweep!

Broadband spectrum of pulsed interferer

Single Sweep vs. Spectrum Envelope



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Single Sweep vs. Spectrum Envelope

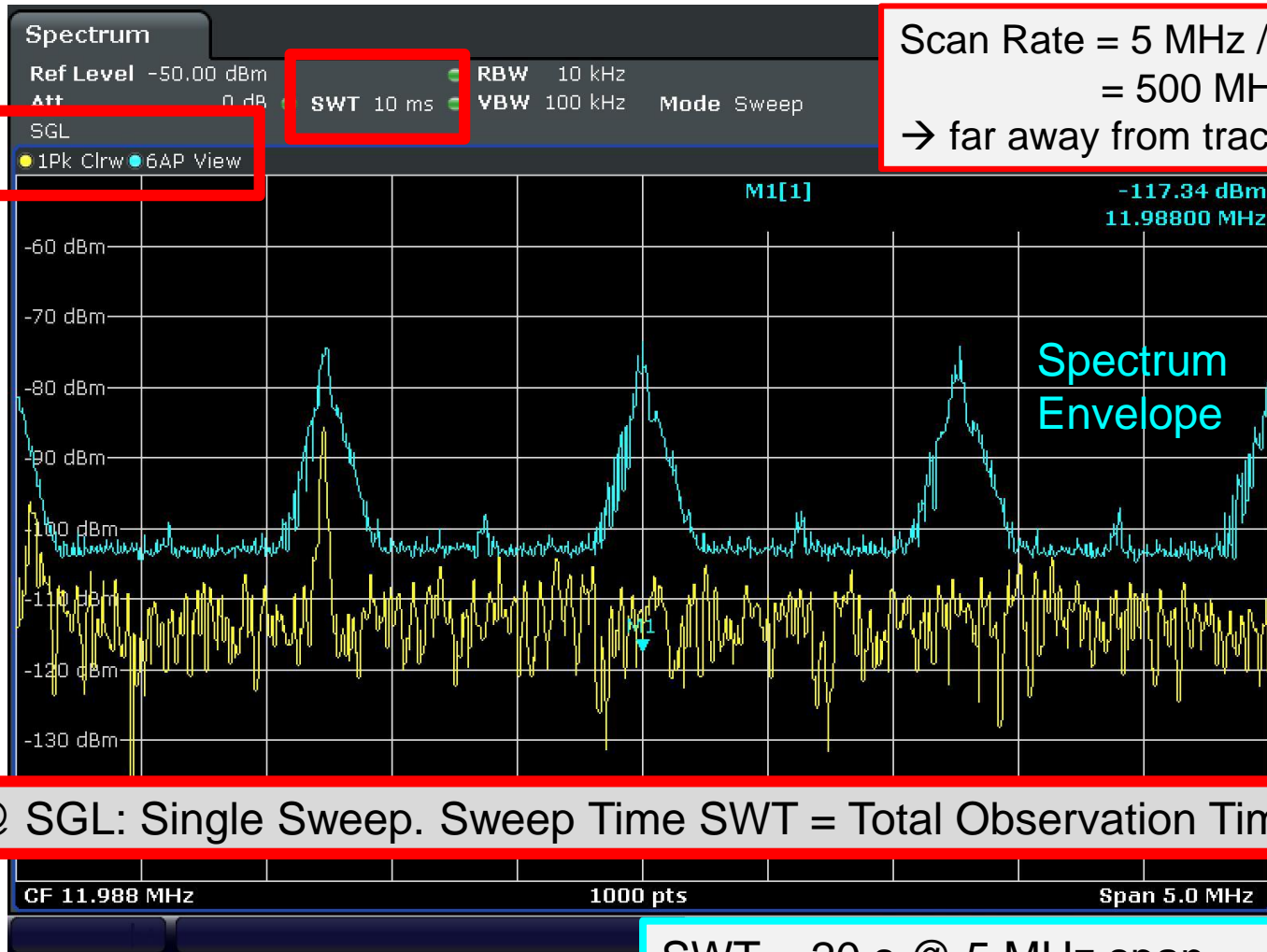
Measurement Parameter

Spectrum Ana. 5 MHz Span in Bd. B

Start Frequency	9.488 MHz
Stop Frequency	14.488 MHz
Bandwidth	
RBW	10 kHz
Stepsize*	
50% of RBW	5.0 kHz
Frequency Span	5.00 MHz
Calculated Number of Steps resp.	1000
Calculated Number of Frequency Points	
Measurement Time per Step	20 ms
Total Observation Time =[MT per step] * [calc. Number of steps]	20 s

A focus on a smaller frequency range has been decided by the user to achieve a better visualization.

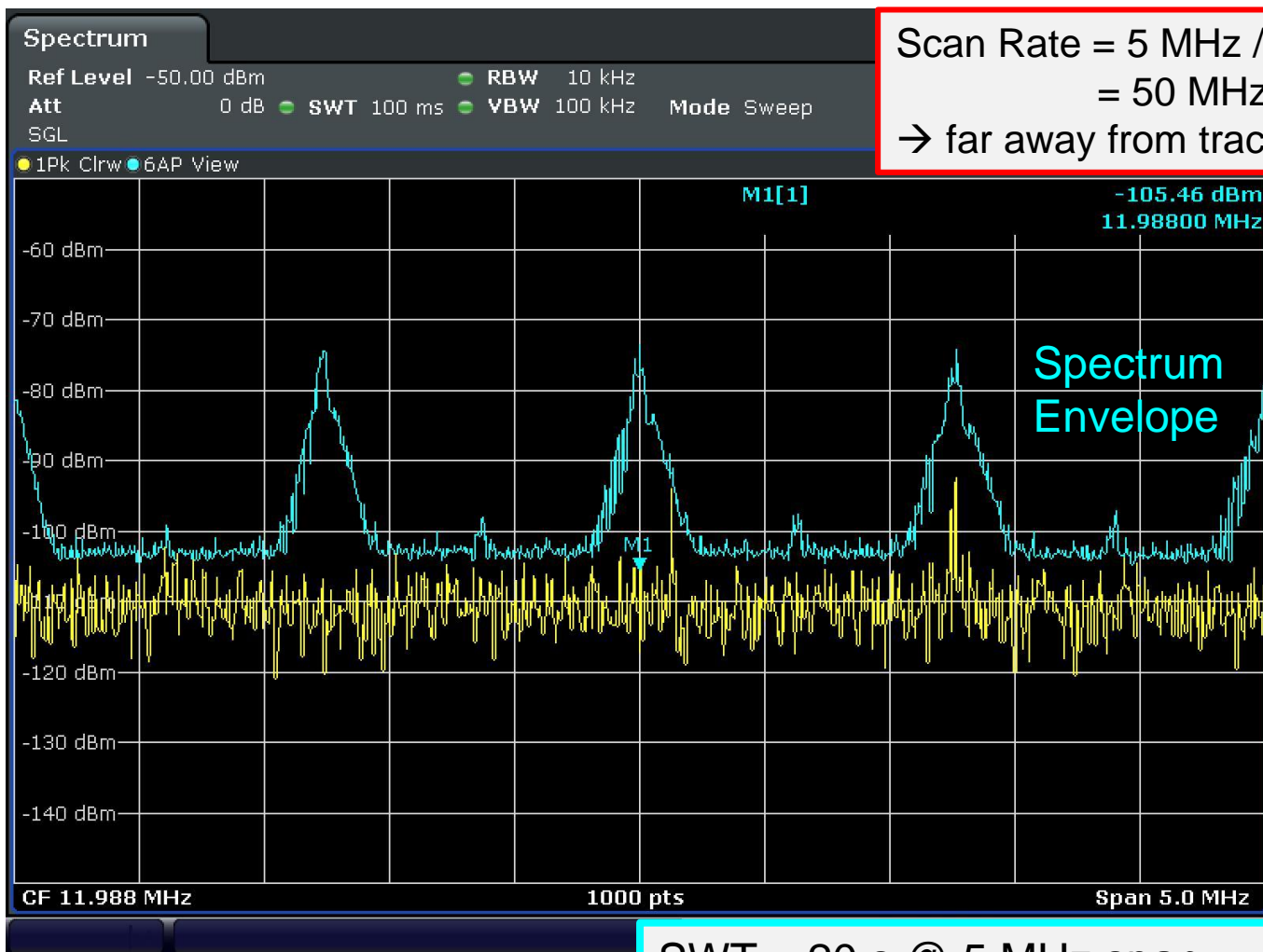
Single Sweep vs. Spectrum Envelope



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SWT = 20 s @ 5 MHz span
(swept) scan rate = 0.25 MHz/s
corresponding to the EUT timing analysis
in accordance with CISPR 16-2-x.

Single Sweep vs. Spectrum Envelope

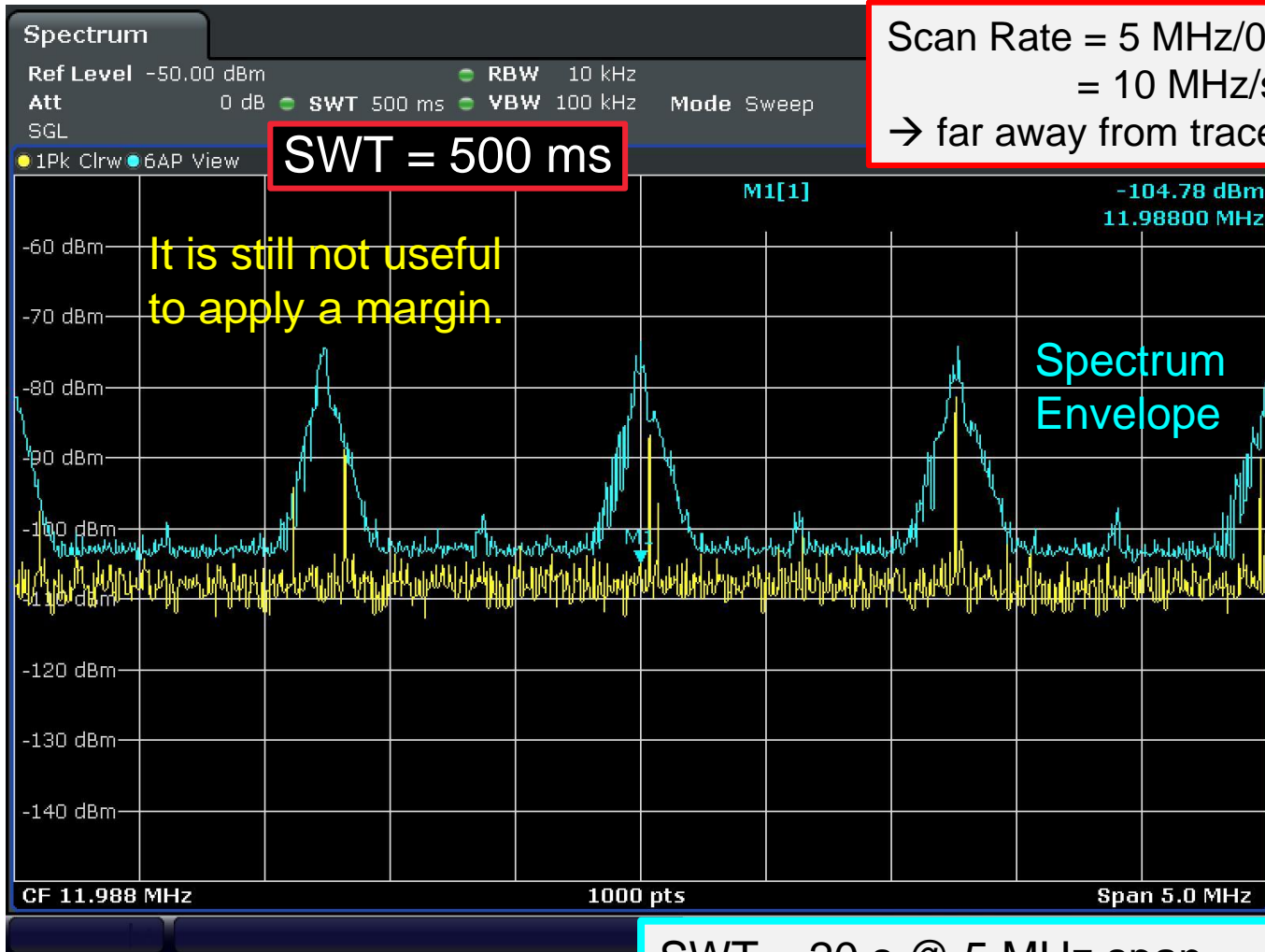


Scan Rate = 5 MHz / 100 ms
= 50 MHz / s
→ far away from trace match.

SWT = 20 s @ 5 MHz span
(swept) scan rate = 0.25 MHz/s
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Single Sweep vs. Spectrum Envelope

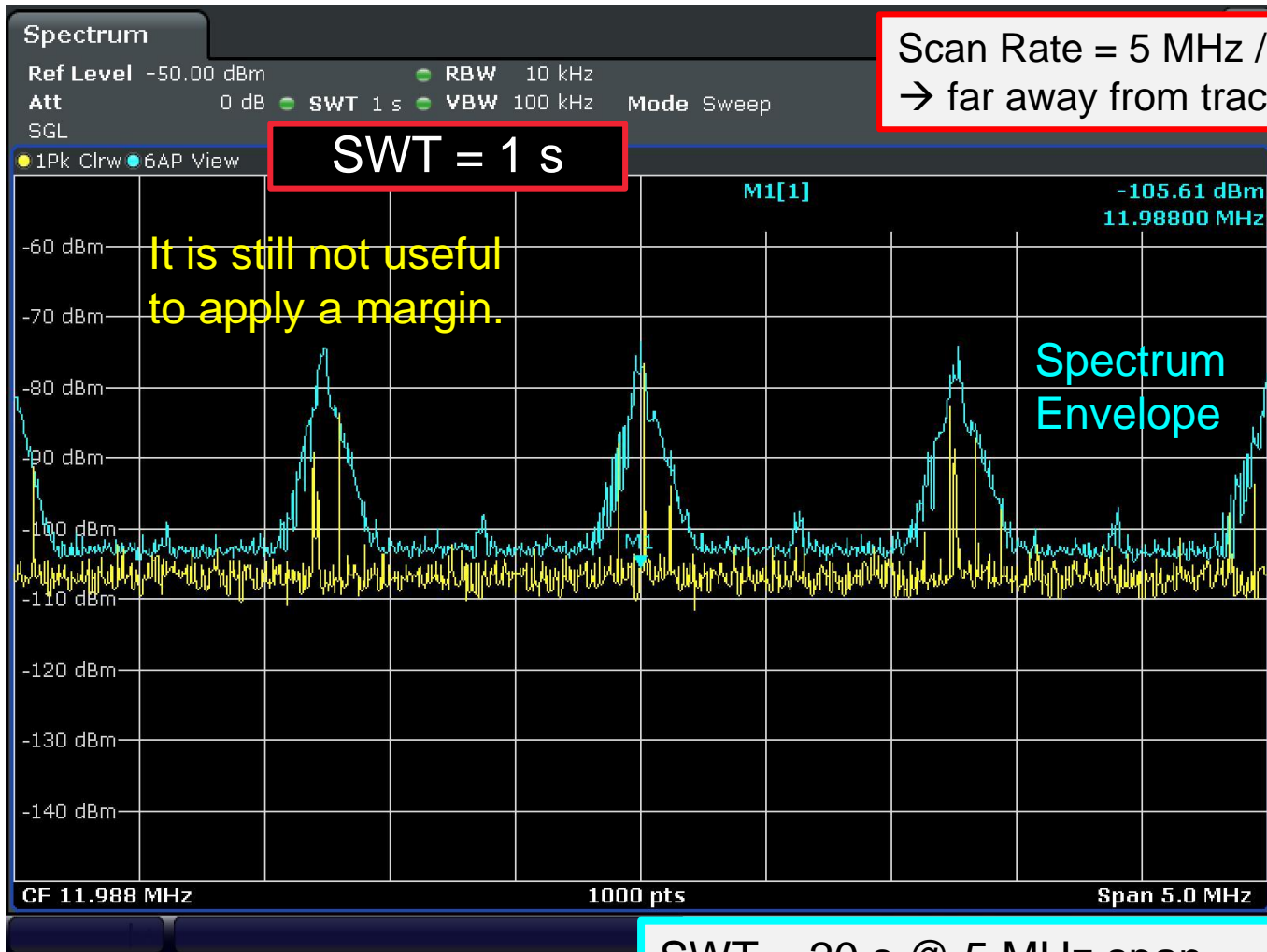


Scan Rate = 5 MHz/0.5 s
= 10 MHz/s
→ far away from trace match.

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SWT = 20 s @ 5 MHz span
(swept) scan rate = 0.25 MHz/s
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in accordance with CISPR 16-2-x.

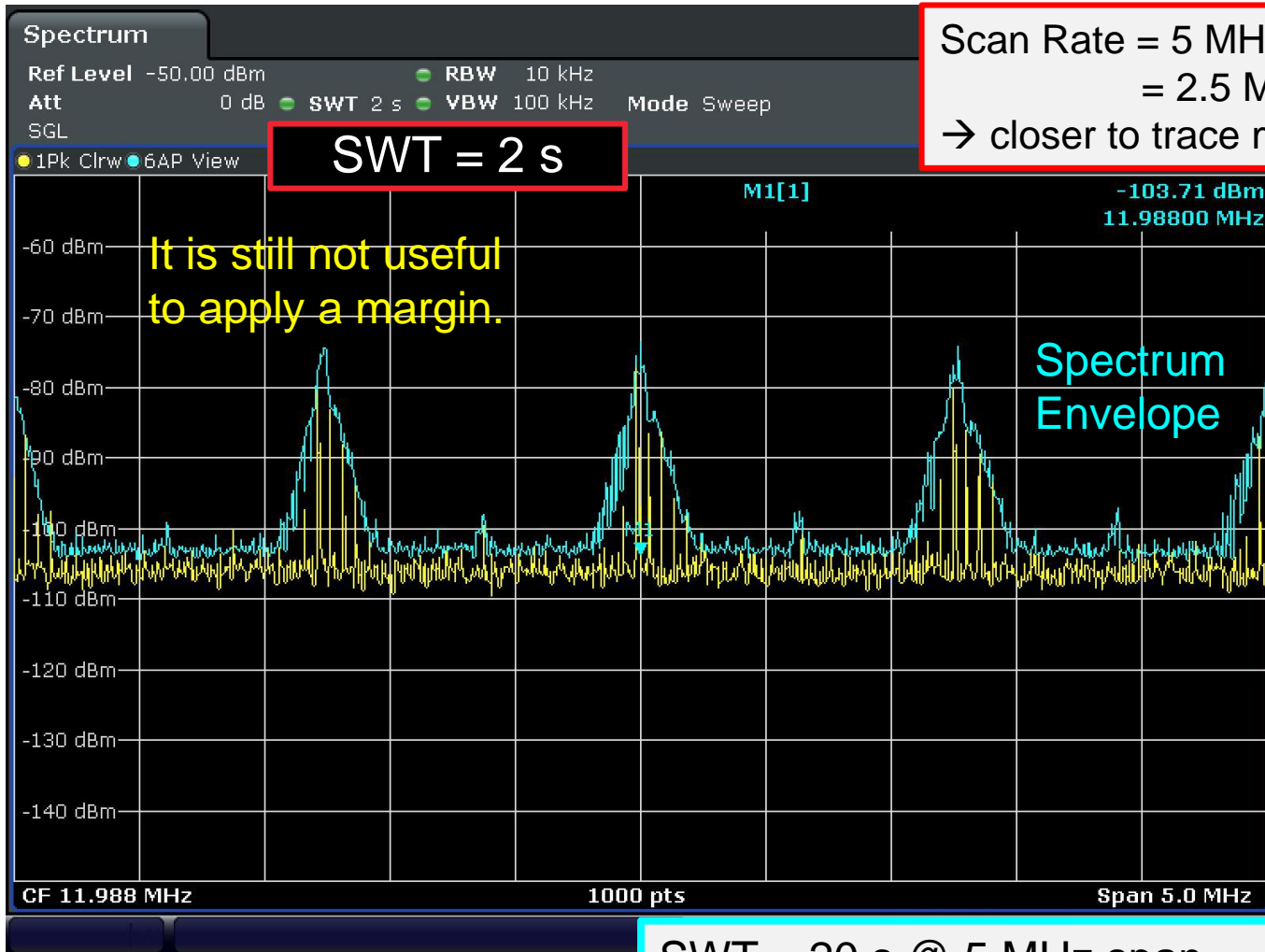
Single Sweep vs. Spectrum Envelope



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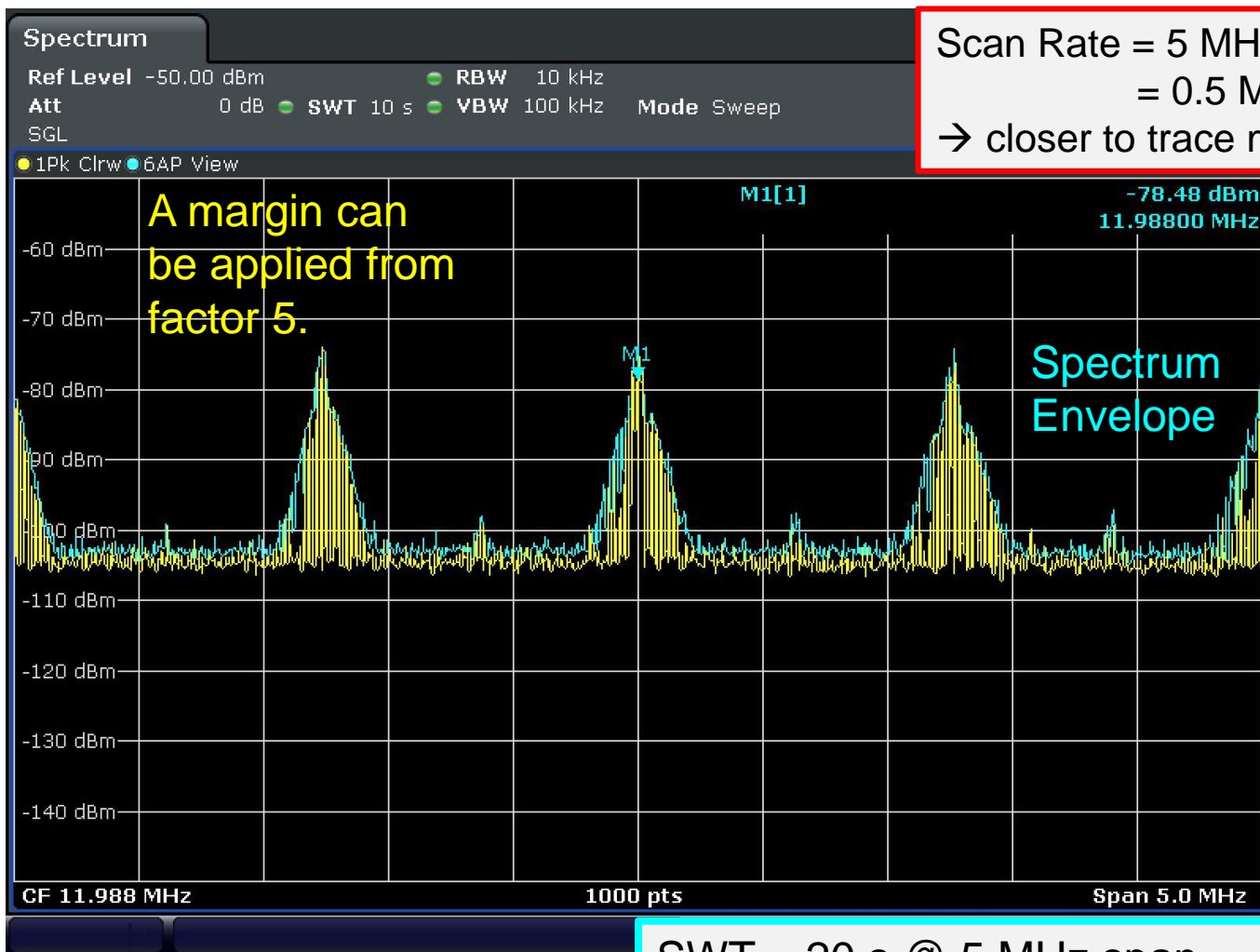
Single Sweep vs. Spectrum Envelope



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Single Sweep vs. Spectrum Envelope

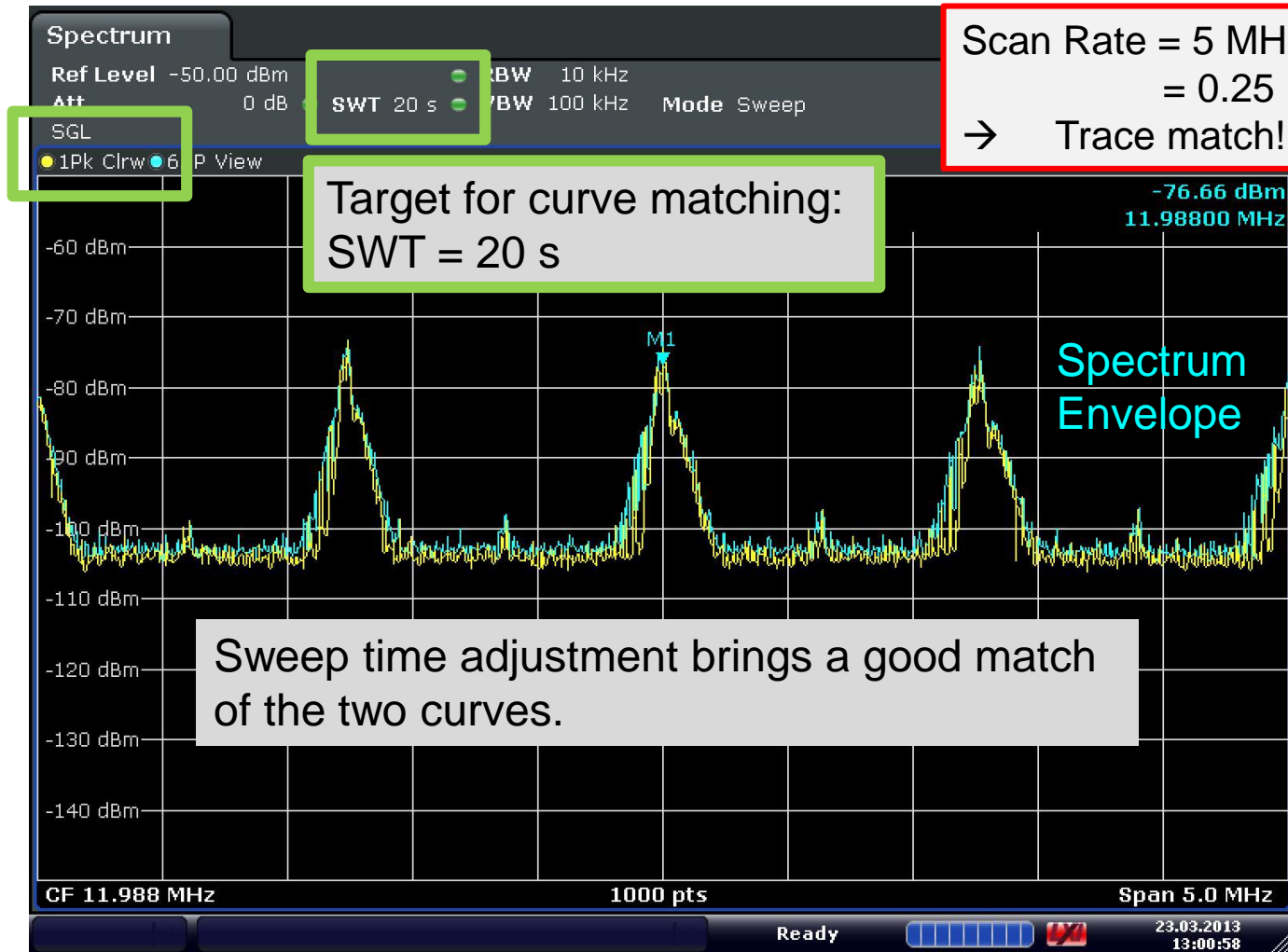


Scan Rate = 5 MHz / 10 s
= 0.5 MHz / s
→ closer to trace match.

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SWT = 20 s @ 5 MHz span
(swept) scan rate = 0.25 MHz/s
corresponding to the EUT timing analysis
in accordance with CISPR 16-2-x.

Single Sweep vs. Spectrum Envelope



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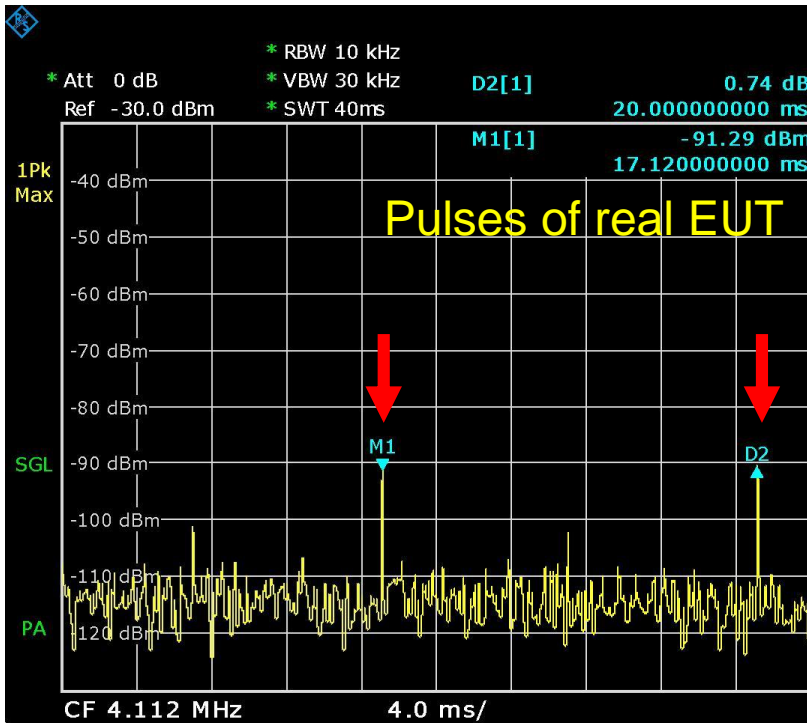
EUT Timing Analysis to increase Repeatability

- The EUT Timing Analysis helps to find the correct measurement time per frequency
- Fast sweeps without understanding the pulse interferer characteristic of the EUT just result in “lucky shots“.
- The measurement reliability is shrinking with fast sweeps / scans applied to unknown EUT. Critical frequency points can be missed.
- Subranges might be represented not at all or with values that are far below the actual interferer subrange maximum

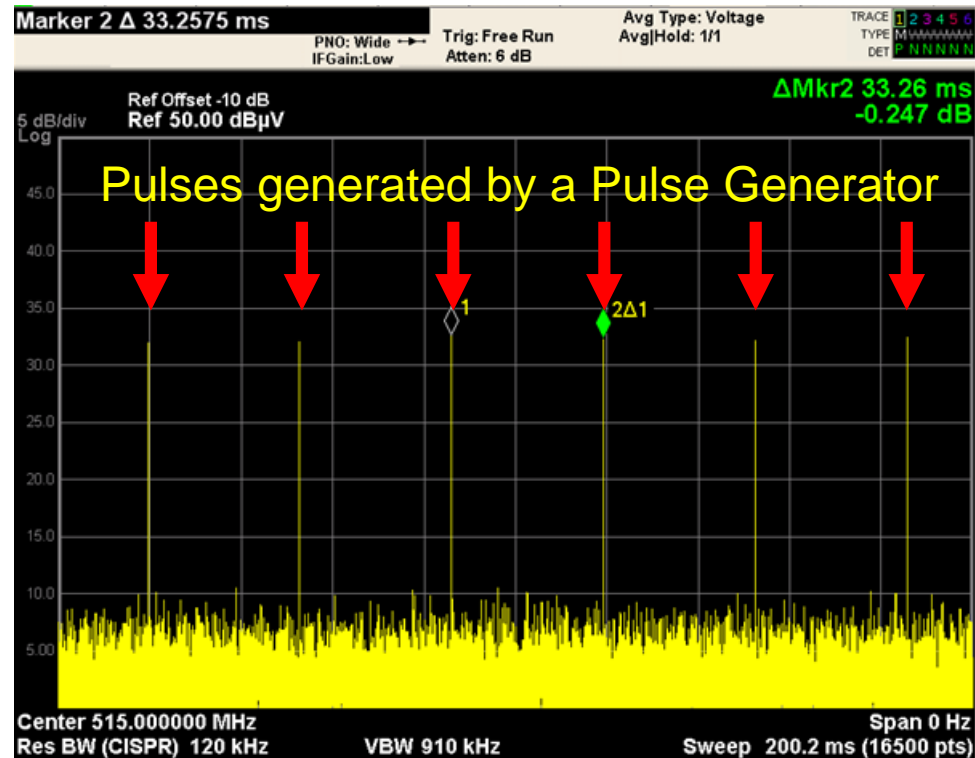


Pulse Generators

help to prove CISPR 16-2-x Strategy to find the correct Observation Time



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Instrument settings: spectrum analyzer in ZERO SPAN mode
The signals are analyzed in the time domain.

Pulse Generators

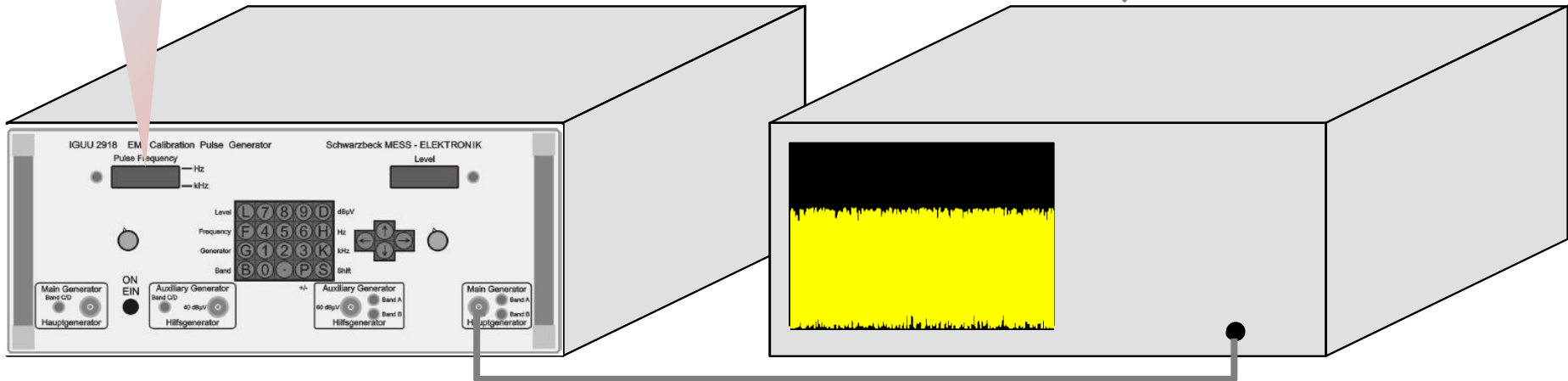
help to prove CISPR 16-2-x Strategy to find the correct Observation Time

Example Setting:
PRF = 50 Hz



Measurement Parameter	
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Stop Frequency	30 MHz
Bandwidth	
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Stepsize*	
50% of RBW	5.0 kHz
Frequency Span	29.85 MHz
Calculated Number of Steps resp.	5970
Calculated Number of Frequency Points	
Measurement Time per Step	20.1 s
Total Observation Time =[MT per step] * [calc. Number of steps]	120 s

without
Smart Settings



Pulse Generators

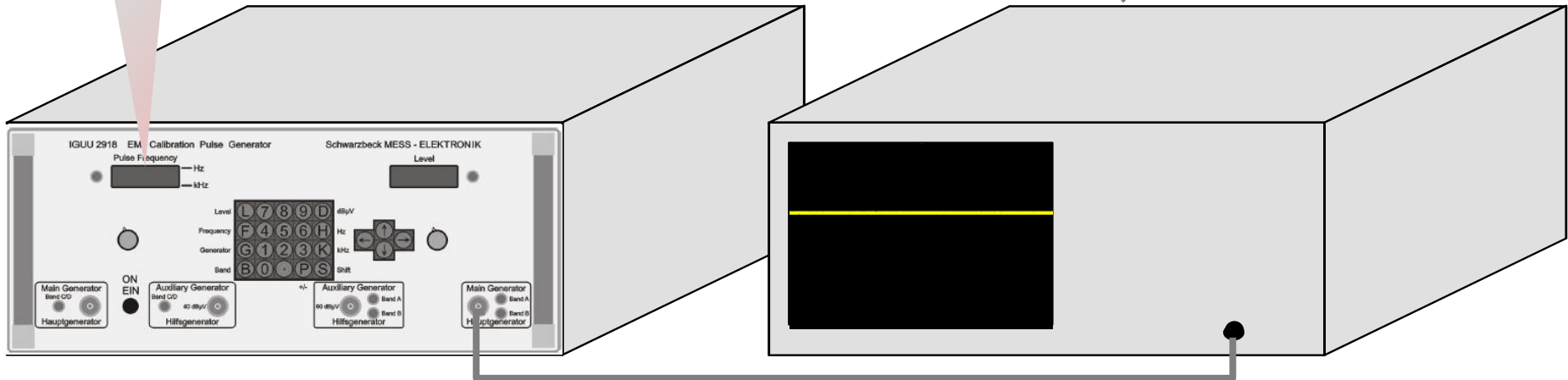
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Pulse Generators

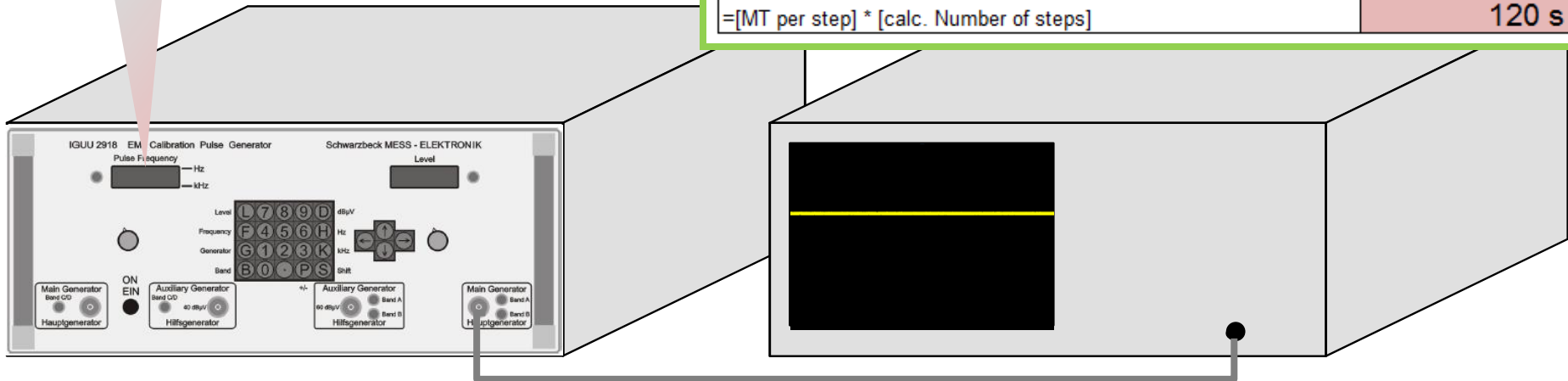
By means of classic technology long observation times have to be accepted to avoid gaps in the spectrum envelope.

Example Setting:
PRF = 50 Hz

$$MT = 1/PRF$$

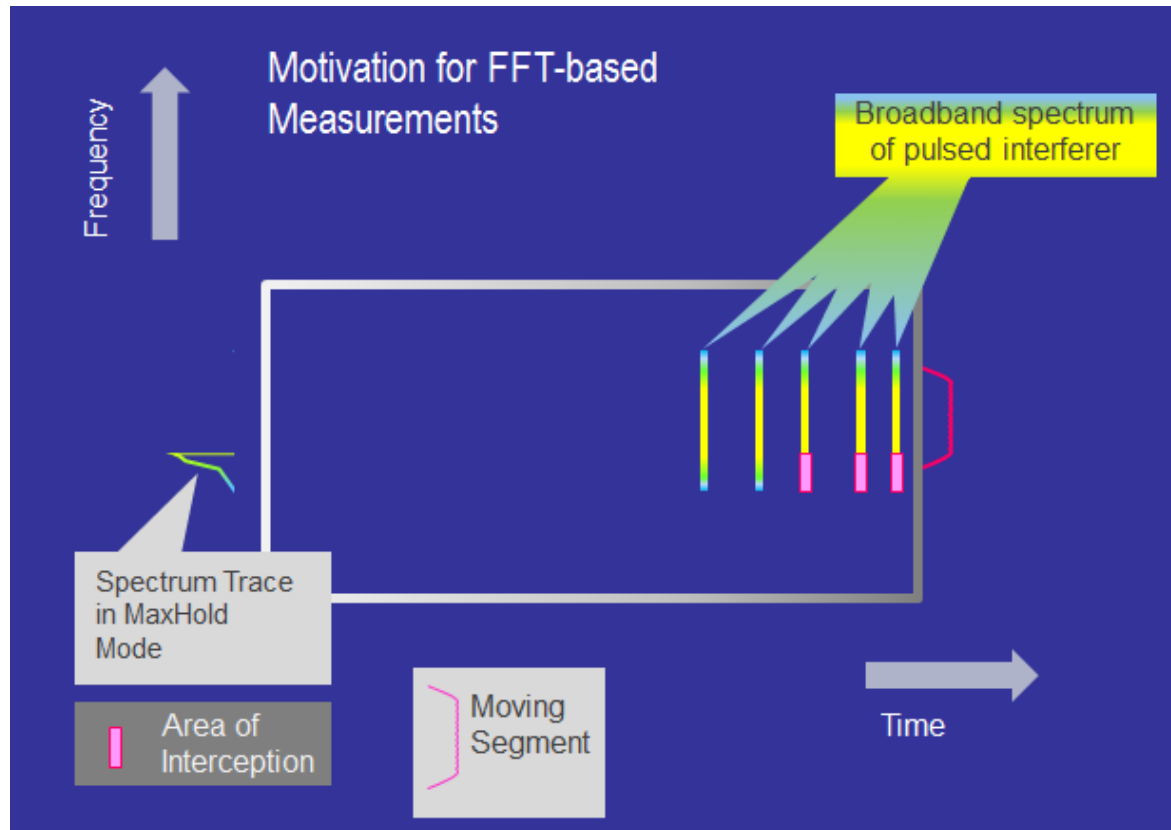
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Motivation for FFT-based Measurements

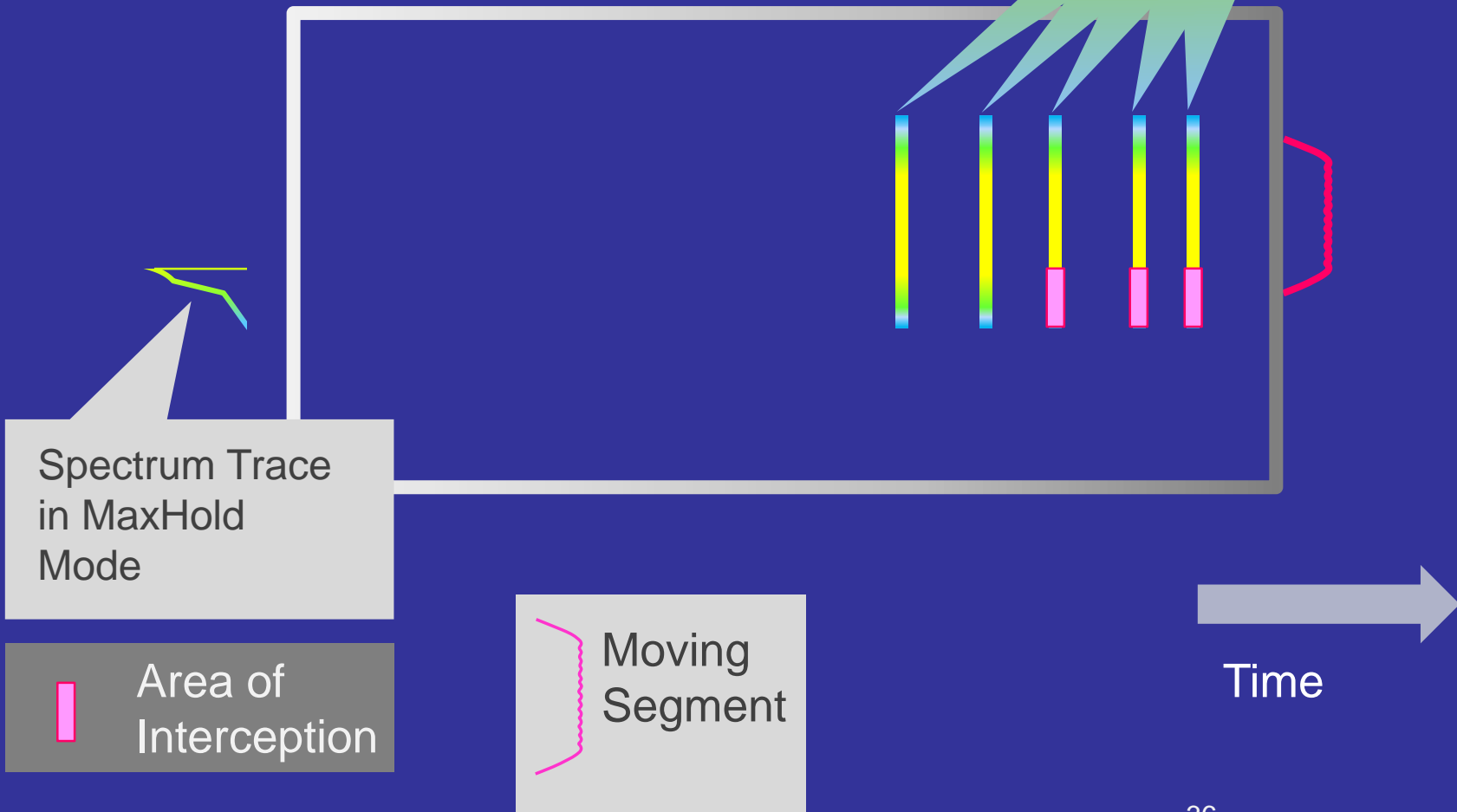
- Request for shorter observation times
- The interceptions will change from interception points to interception areas



Motivation for FFT-based Measurements

Frequency ↑

Broadband spectrum of pulsed interferer



Spectrum Trace in MaxHold Mode

Area of Interception

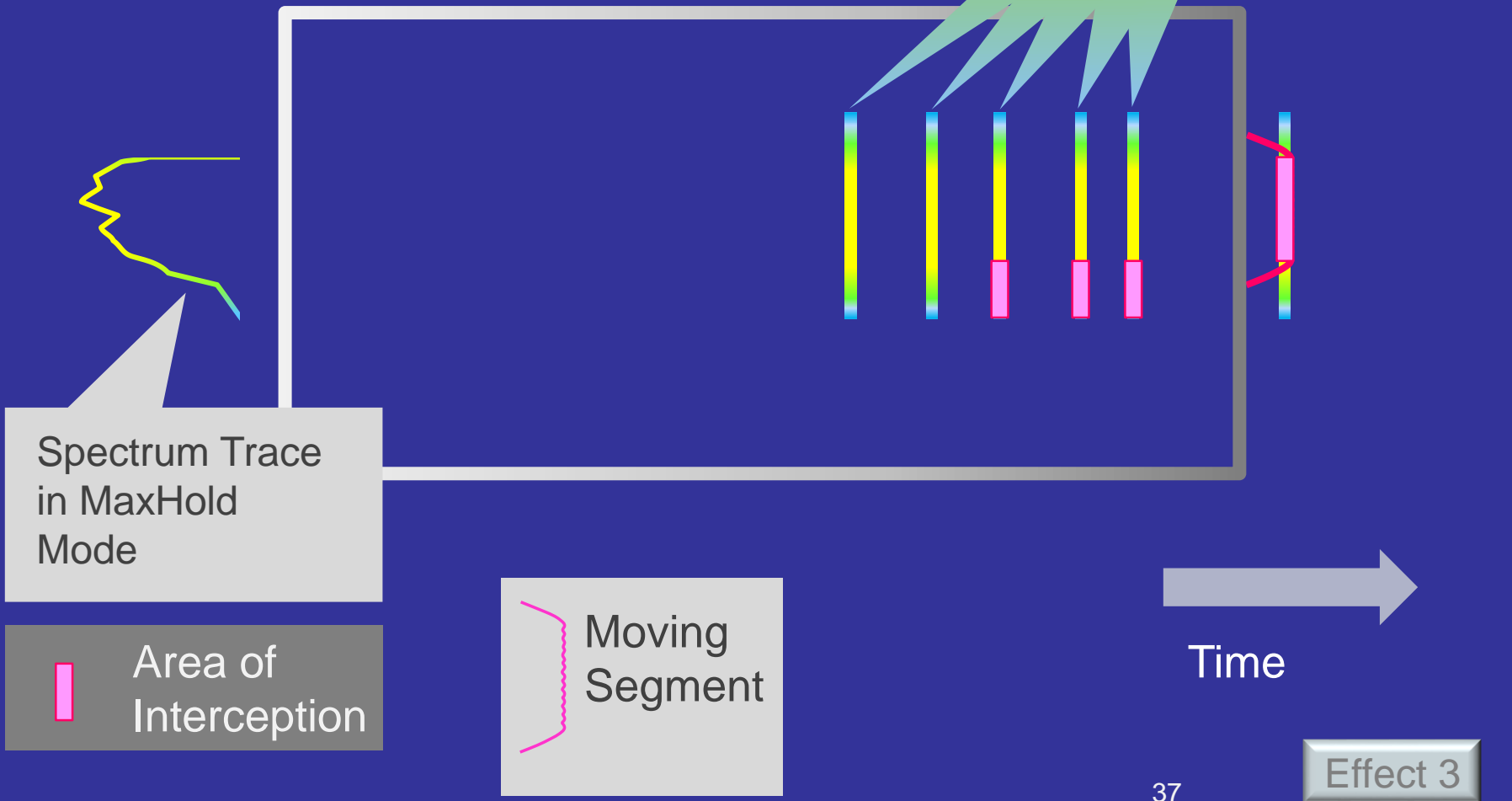
Moving Segment

Time →

Motivation for FFT-based Measurements

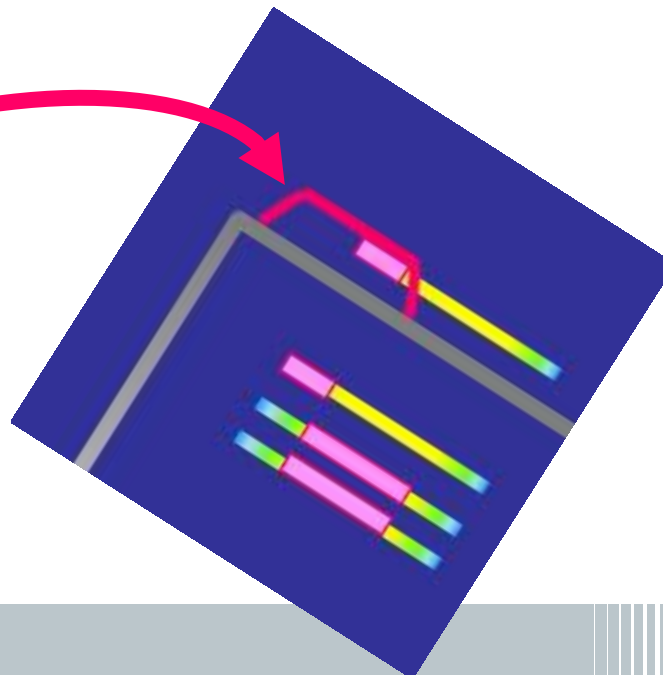
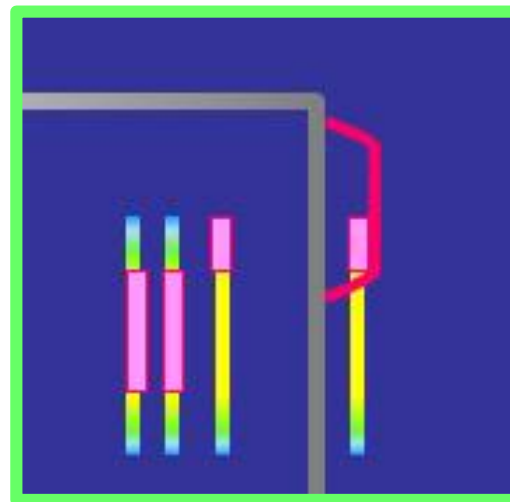
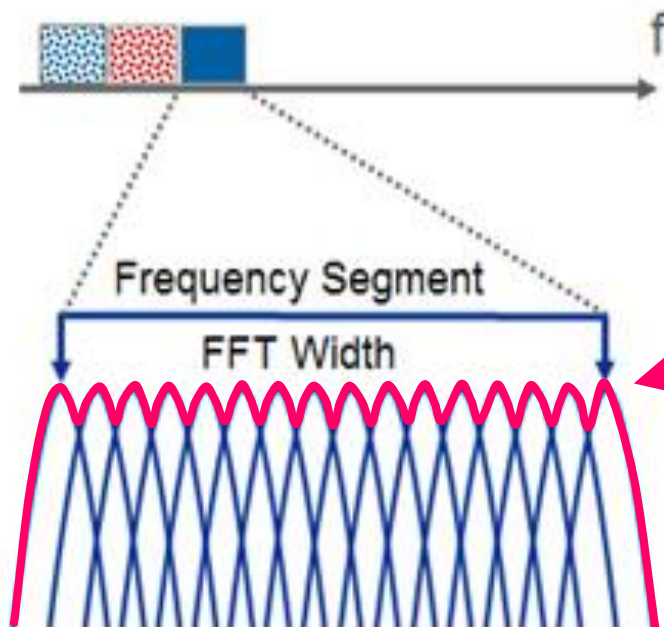
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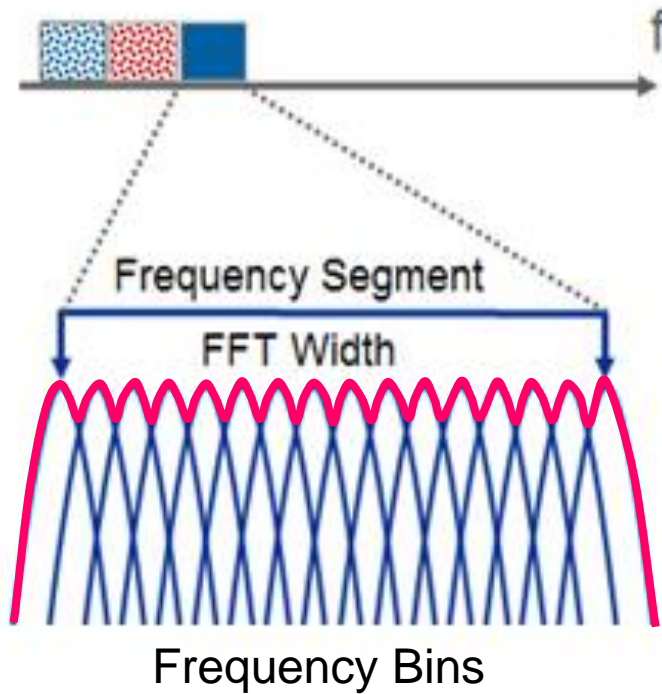
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FFT-based Measurement



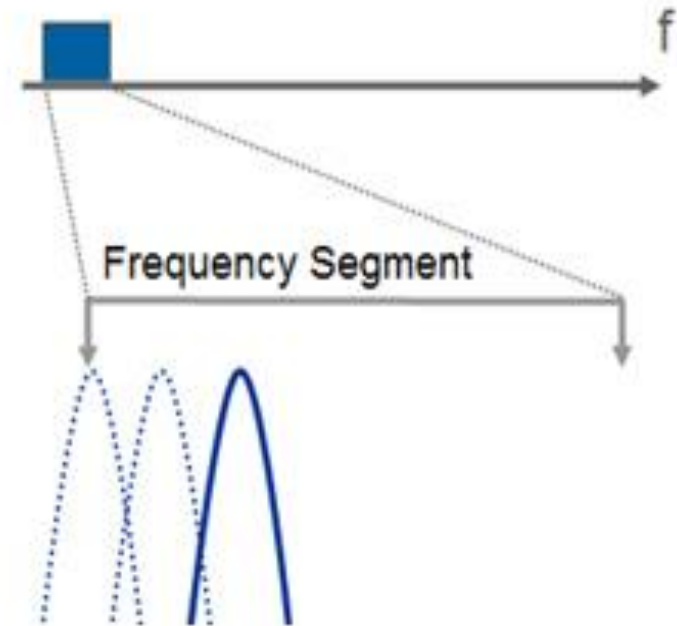
Motivation for FFT-based Measurements

FFT-based Measurement



Segment

Classic Scan



Effect 4

Accuracy Requirement for Frequency Bins

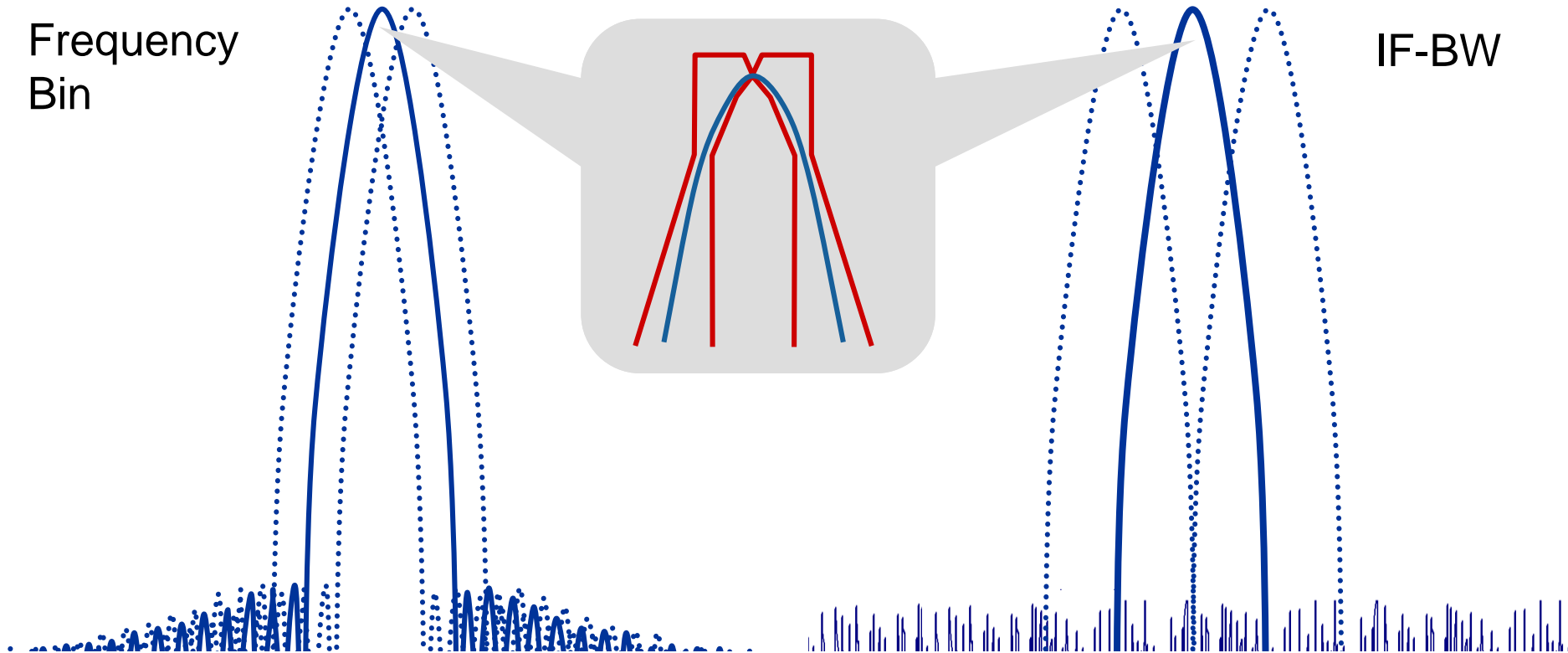
FFT-based measurement

IF Selectivity must fit in CISPR 16-1-1 tolerance mask.

Classic scan (stepped scan)

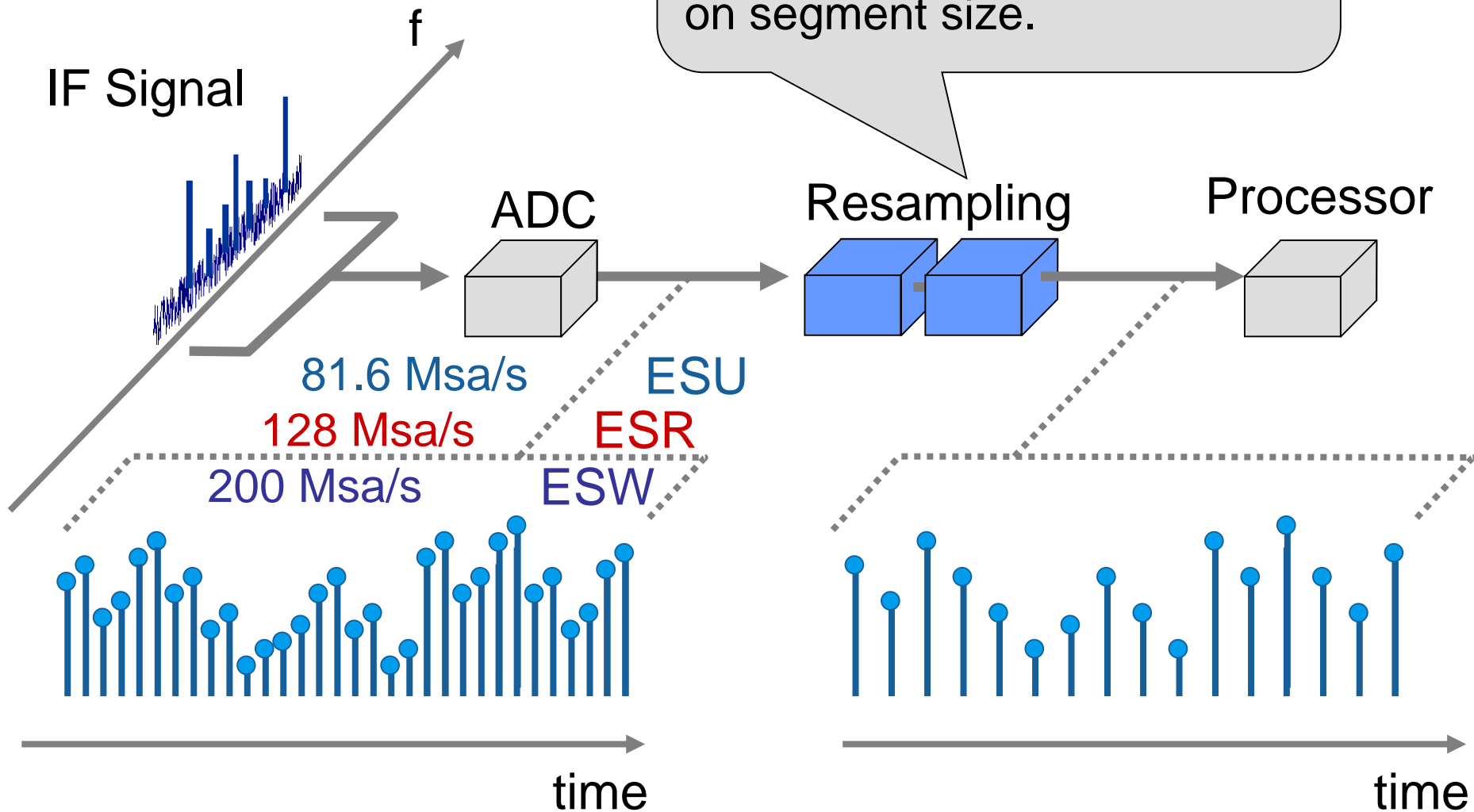
Frequency Bin

IF-BW



Signal Processing

Targeted oversampling factor depending on frequency steps (CISPR-BW/4) and on segment size.

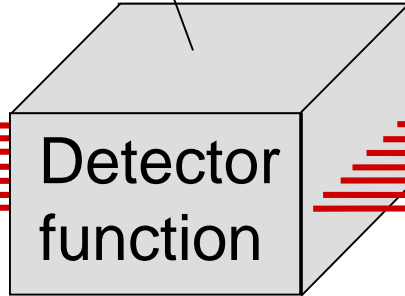


Signal Processing

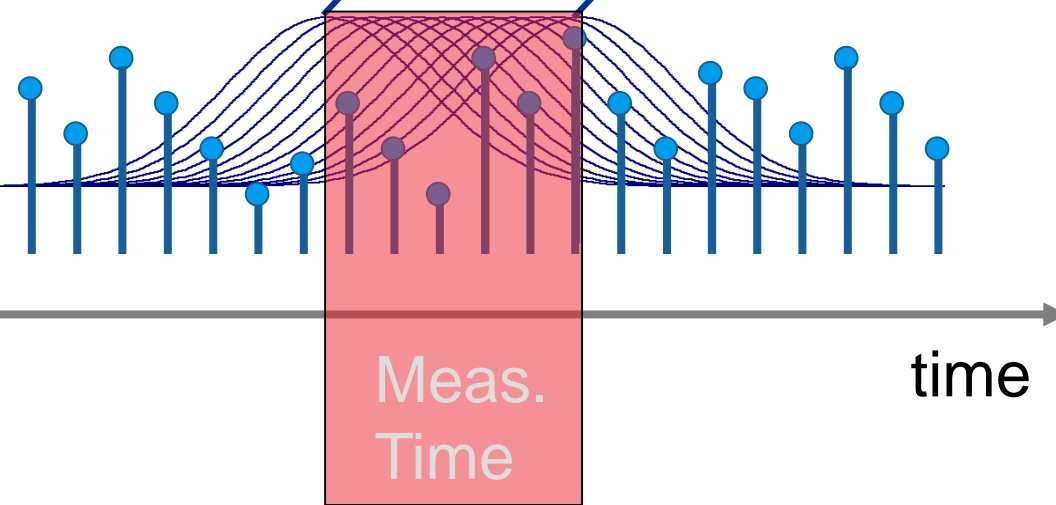
Internal FFT result for each window.

Measurement time

Time evaluation
(→ detector function)
per frequency coefficient
(in measurement time interval)



Detector-weighted frequency coefficients per segment



Signal Processing

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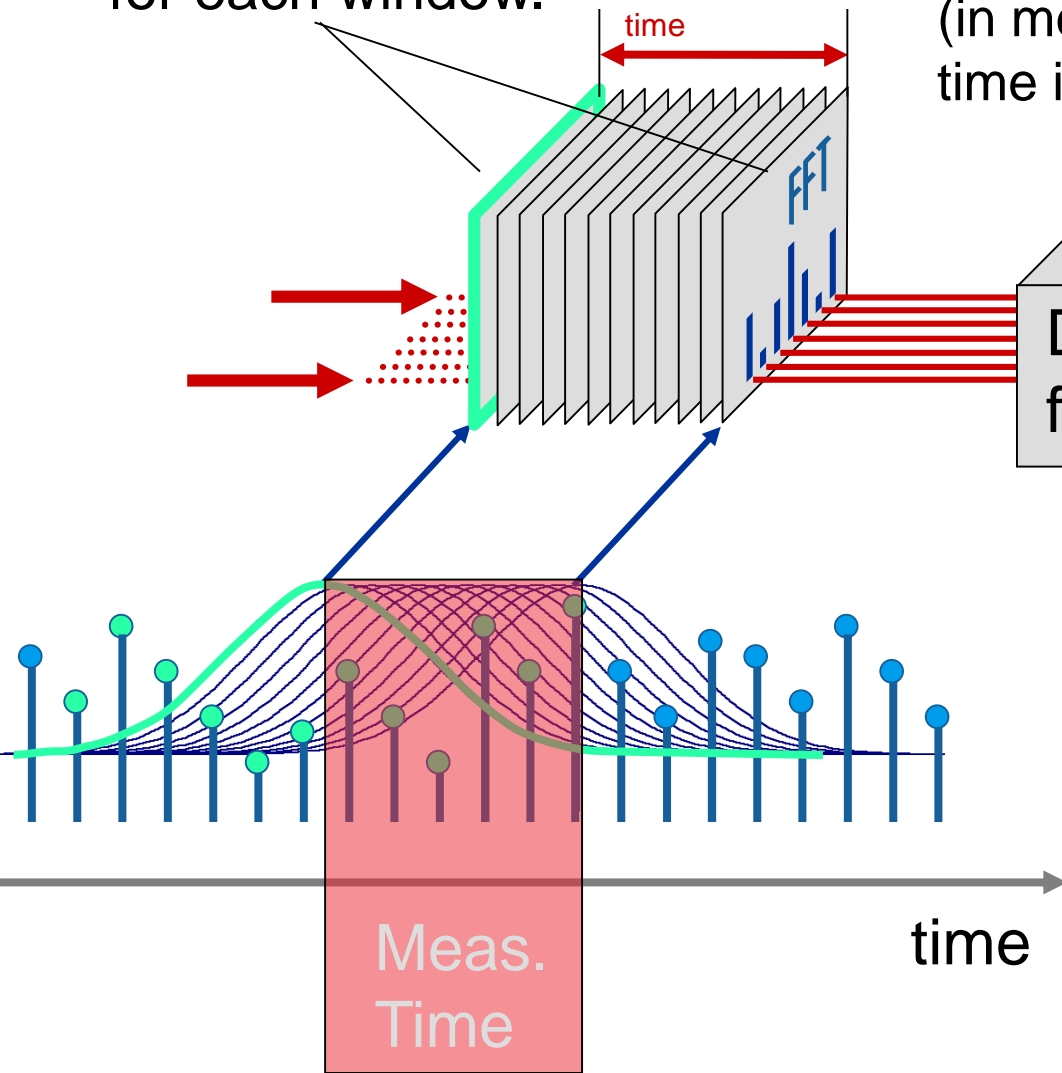
Measurement
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Detector
function

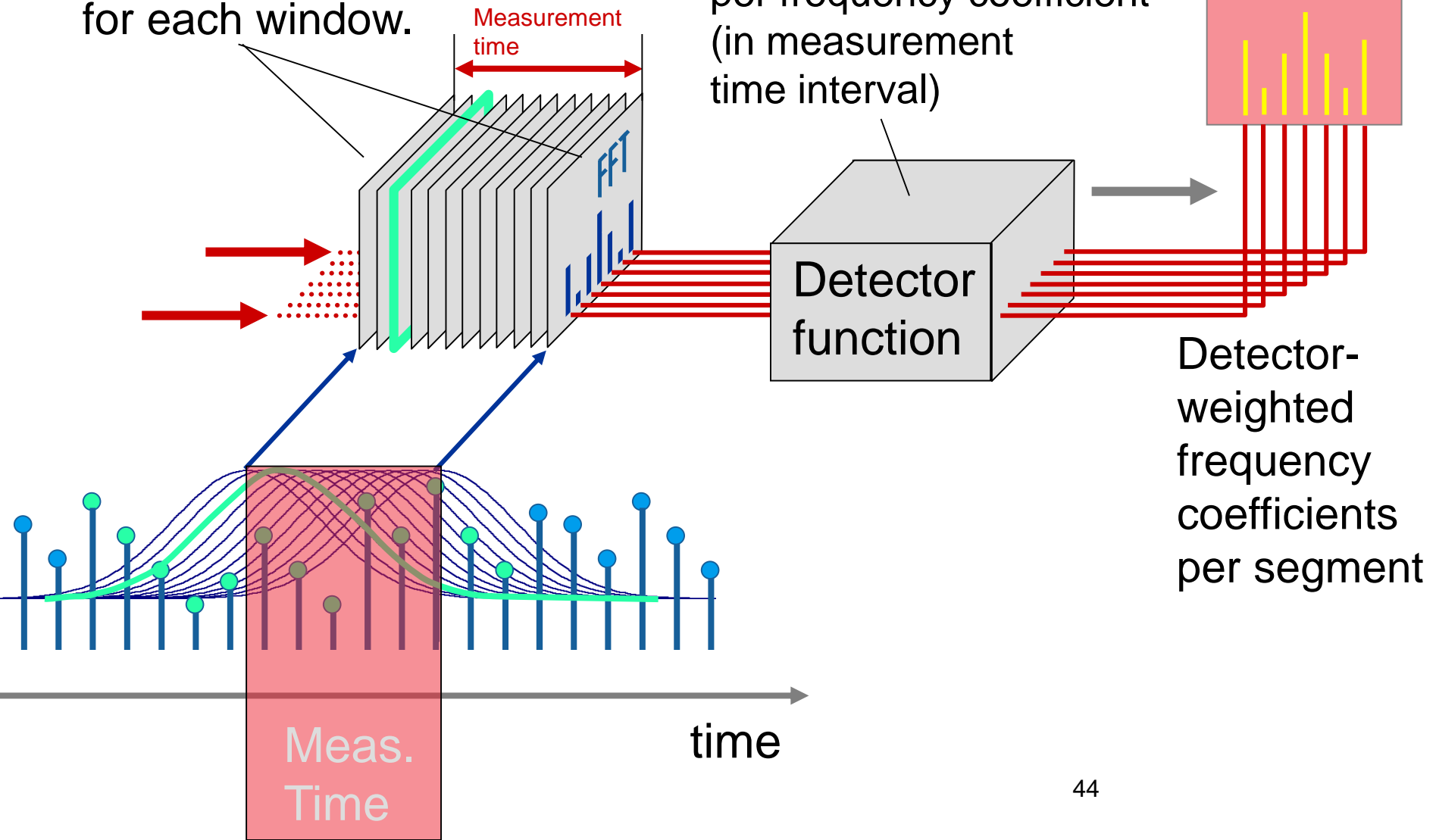
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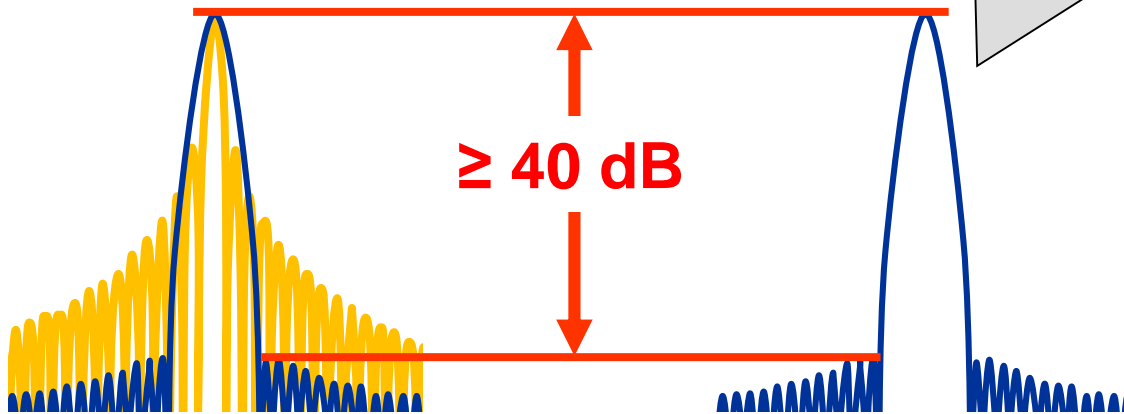
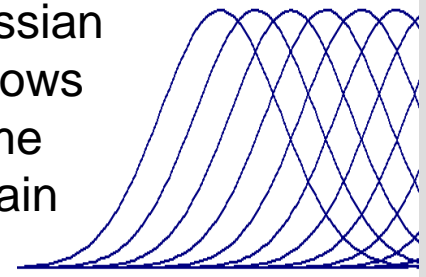
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Selectivity of Frequency Bin

- CISPR16-3:
Distance to 1st side lobe
Must be ≥ 40 dB

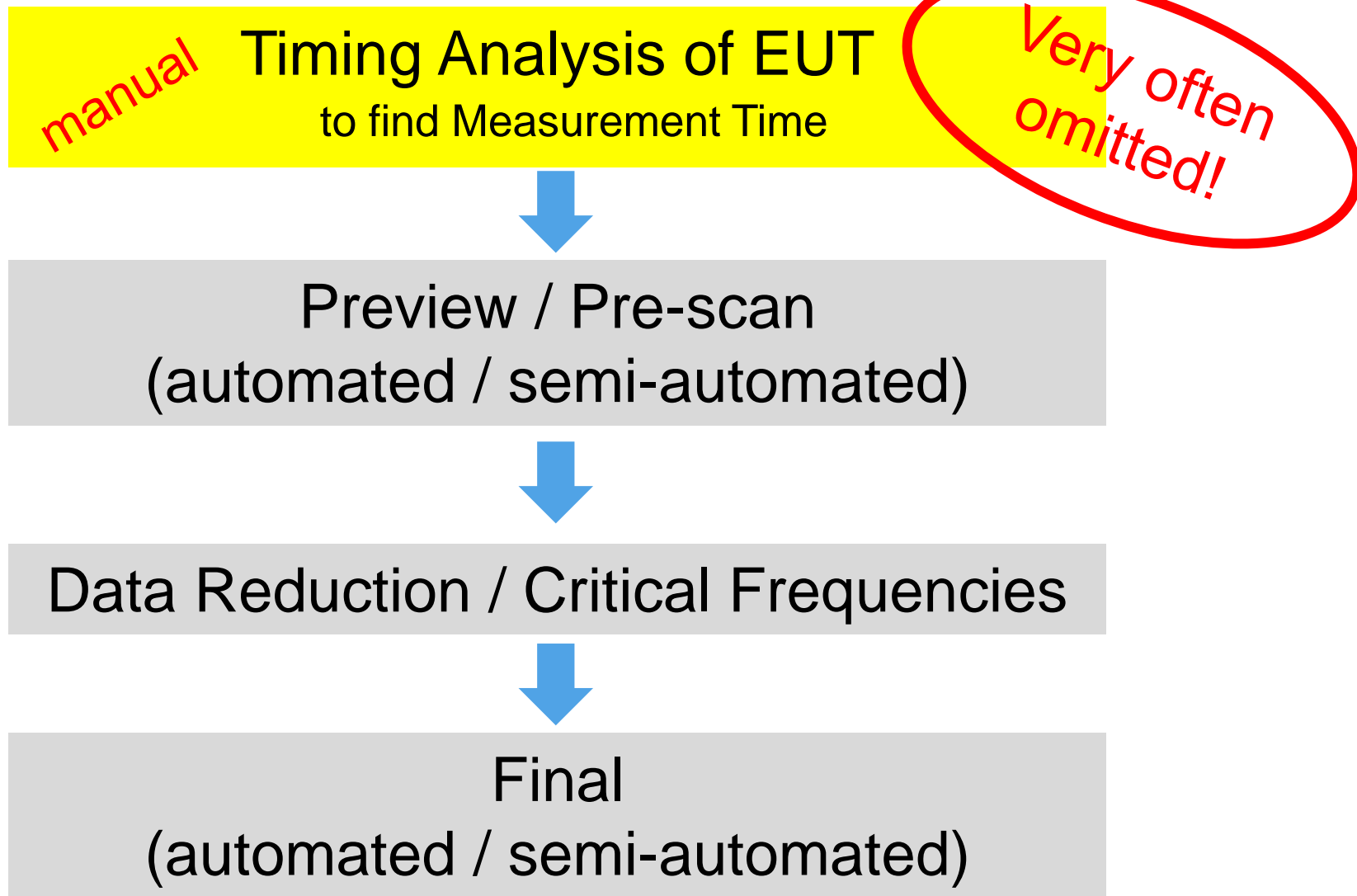
Gaussian windows
in time domain



Rectang. window
in time domain



CISPR16-2 all parts – Analysis Steps

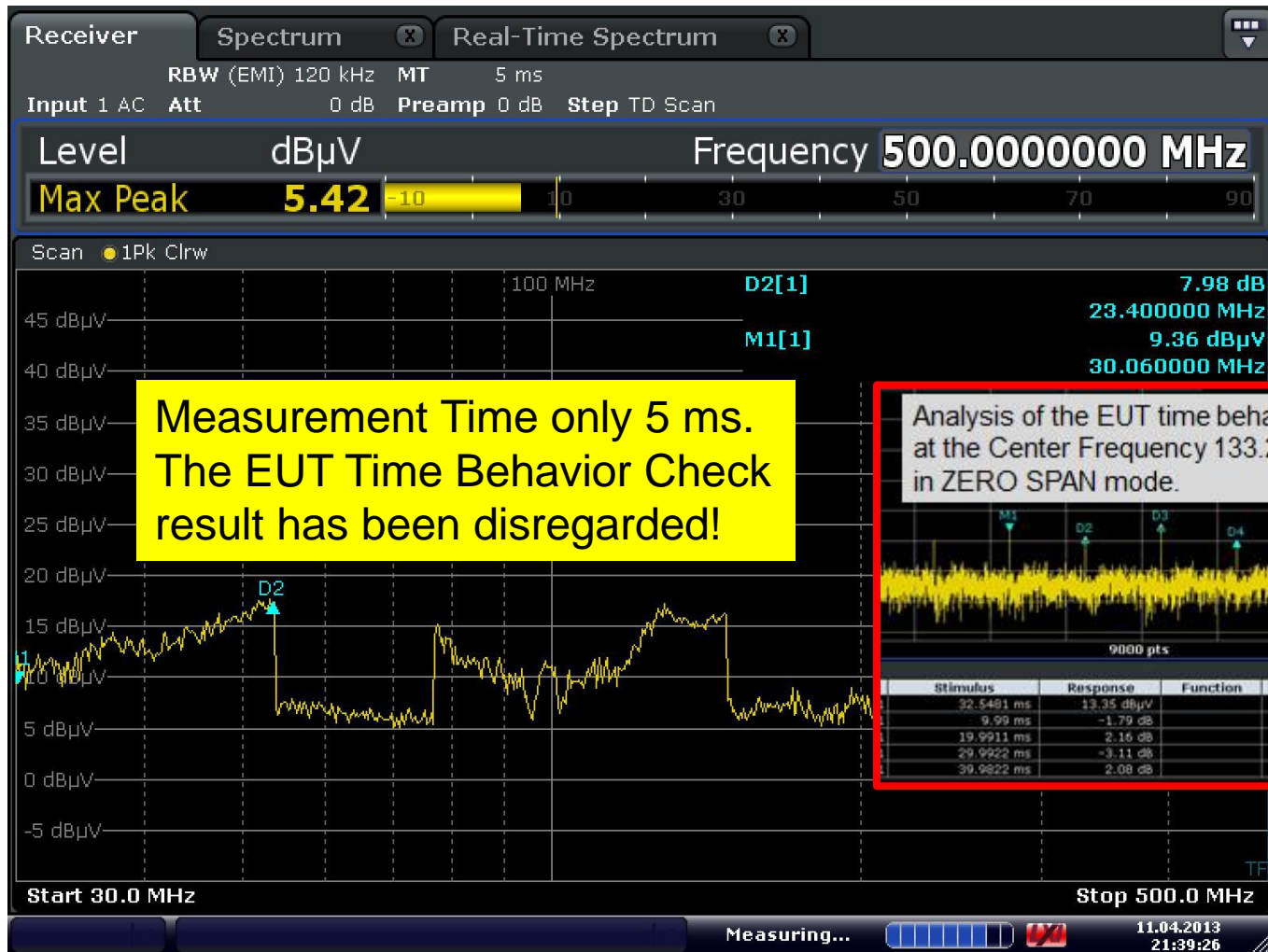


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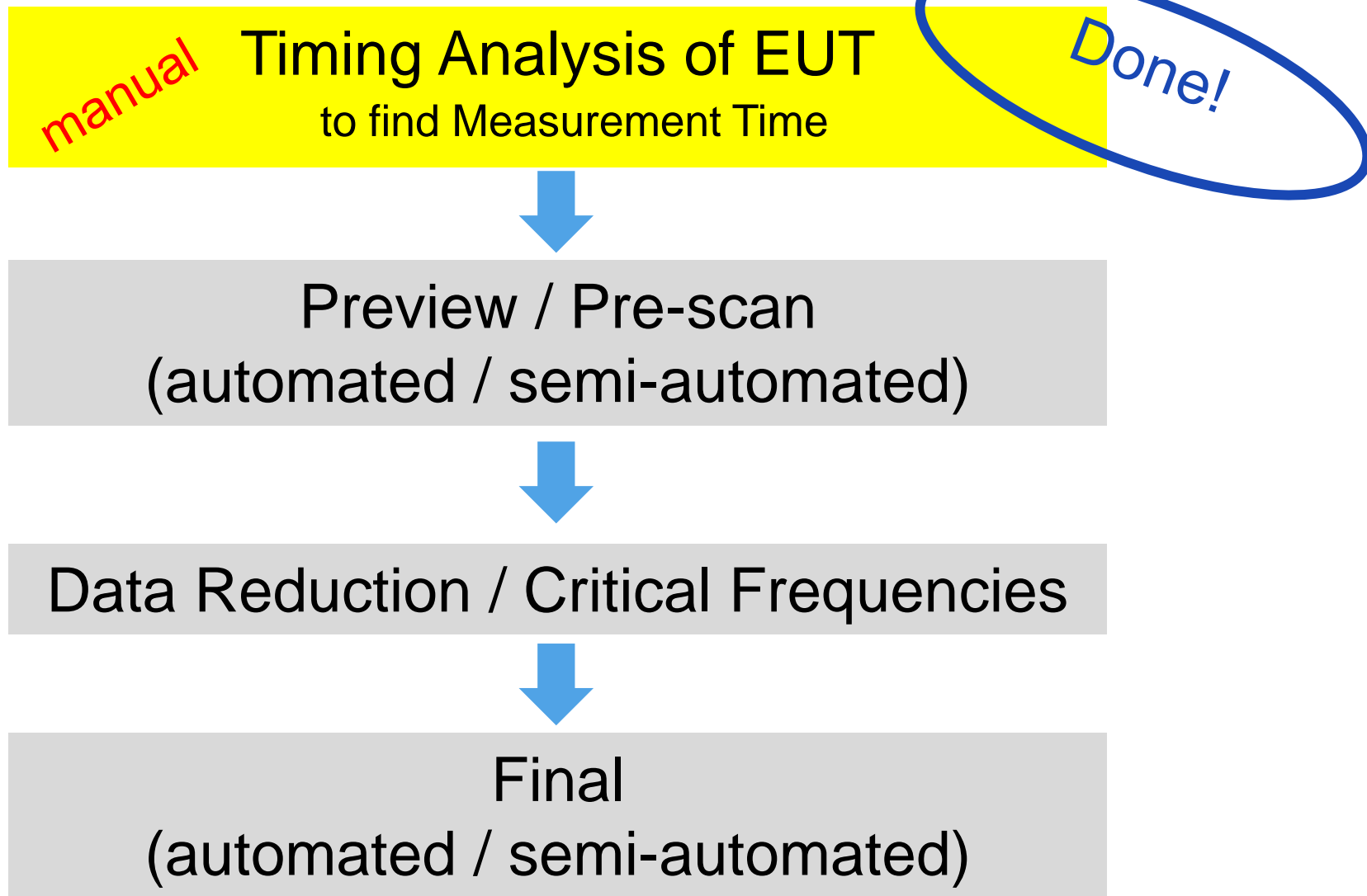
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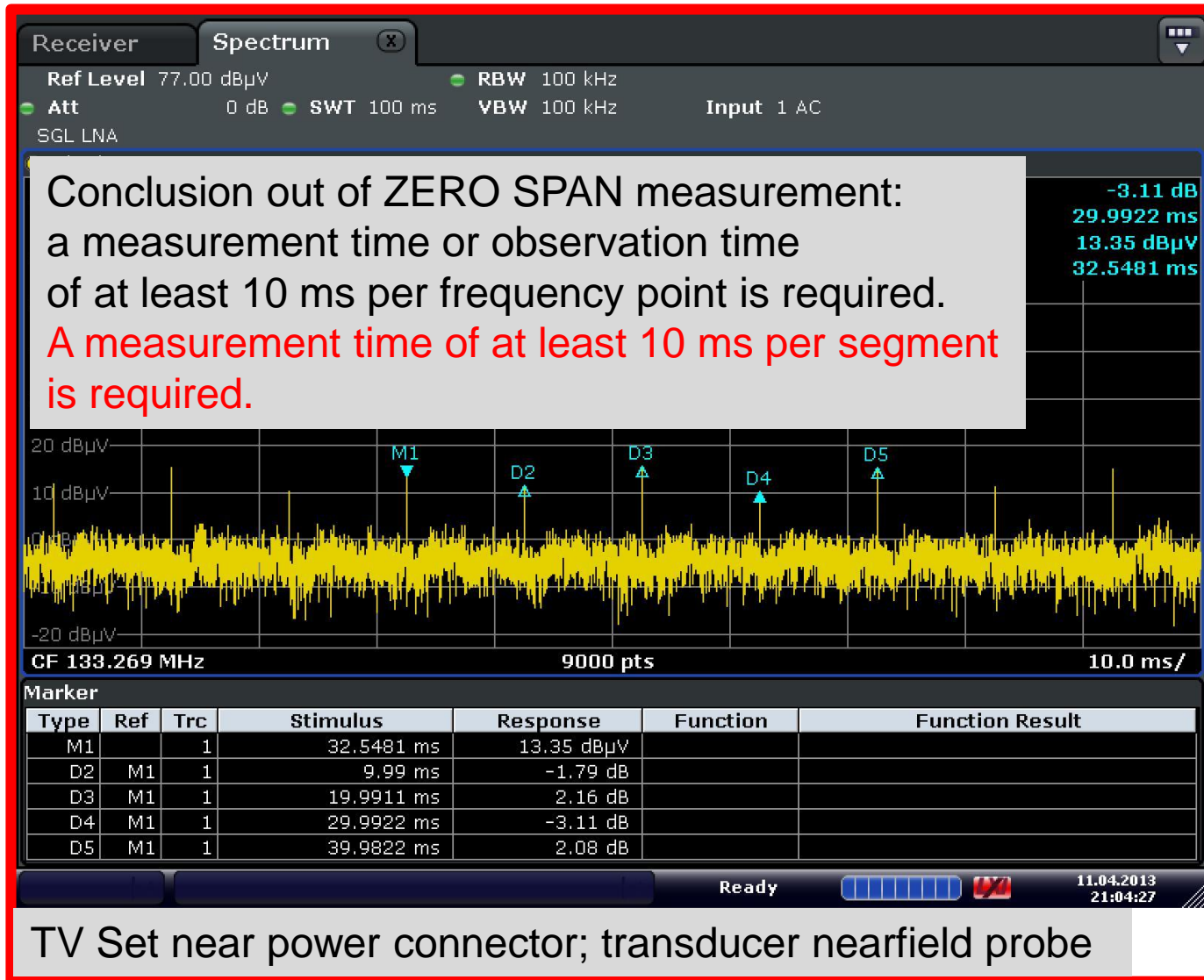


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Too short Measurement Time → Lack of Intercept



Sufficient Measurement Time → Intercept OK

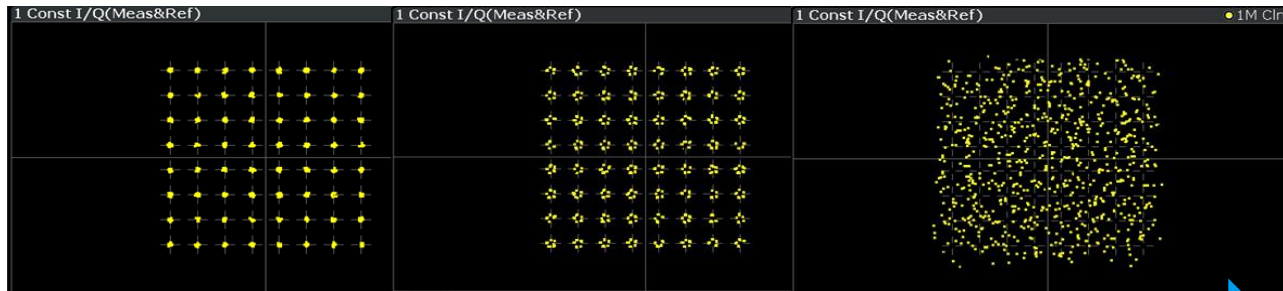


TV Set near power connector; transducer H-nearfield probe

Why RSE become really important measurements

Motivation: getting less EM pollution in the air

- Spurious (interferers) decrease systems performance
- This is the only way to get efficient coexistence between systems which use same frequencies list shared in time



I/Q Constellation of a 64 QAM signal with increasing interference

EMI and RSE differences regarding measurements

ERP: Effective radiated power

- The measured quantity to be evaluated is **not the electric field radiated** but the **effective radiated power** not at the location of the measurement antenna but from the EUT.

Therefore, the

level in **dB μ V** measured on the receiver instrument must be converted to **dBm** differently than in standard EMI measurements (dB μ V/m) and the free space attenuation for a given measurement distance (d) has to be considered.

Consequences : different transducer factors tables

have to be derived for the antenna transducer factor (TF) in antenna properties, which describes the antenna's signal conversion characteristic.

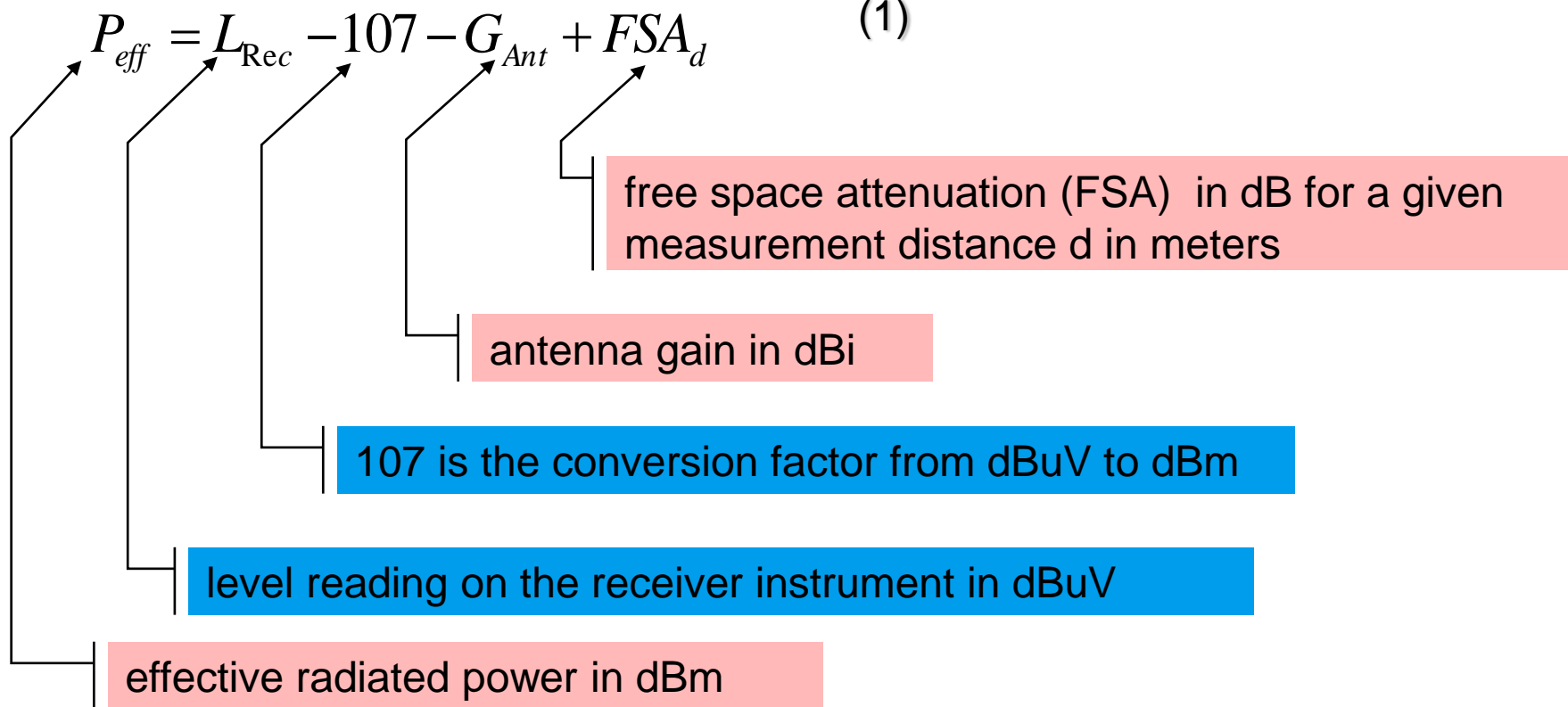


EMI and RSE differences regarding measurements

Range Attenuation (theoretical)

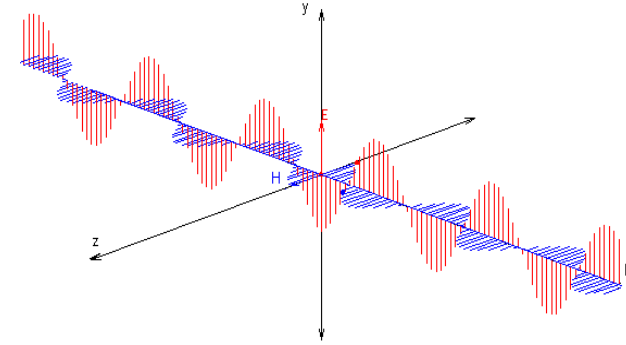
The power effectively radiated from a mobile phone at a certain frequency is given by:

$$P_{eff} = L_{Rec} - 107 - G_{Ant} + FSA_d \quad (1)$$



Field and Space

Wrong polarisation can make infinite attenuation



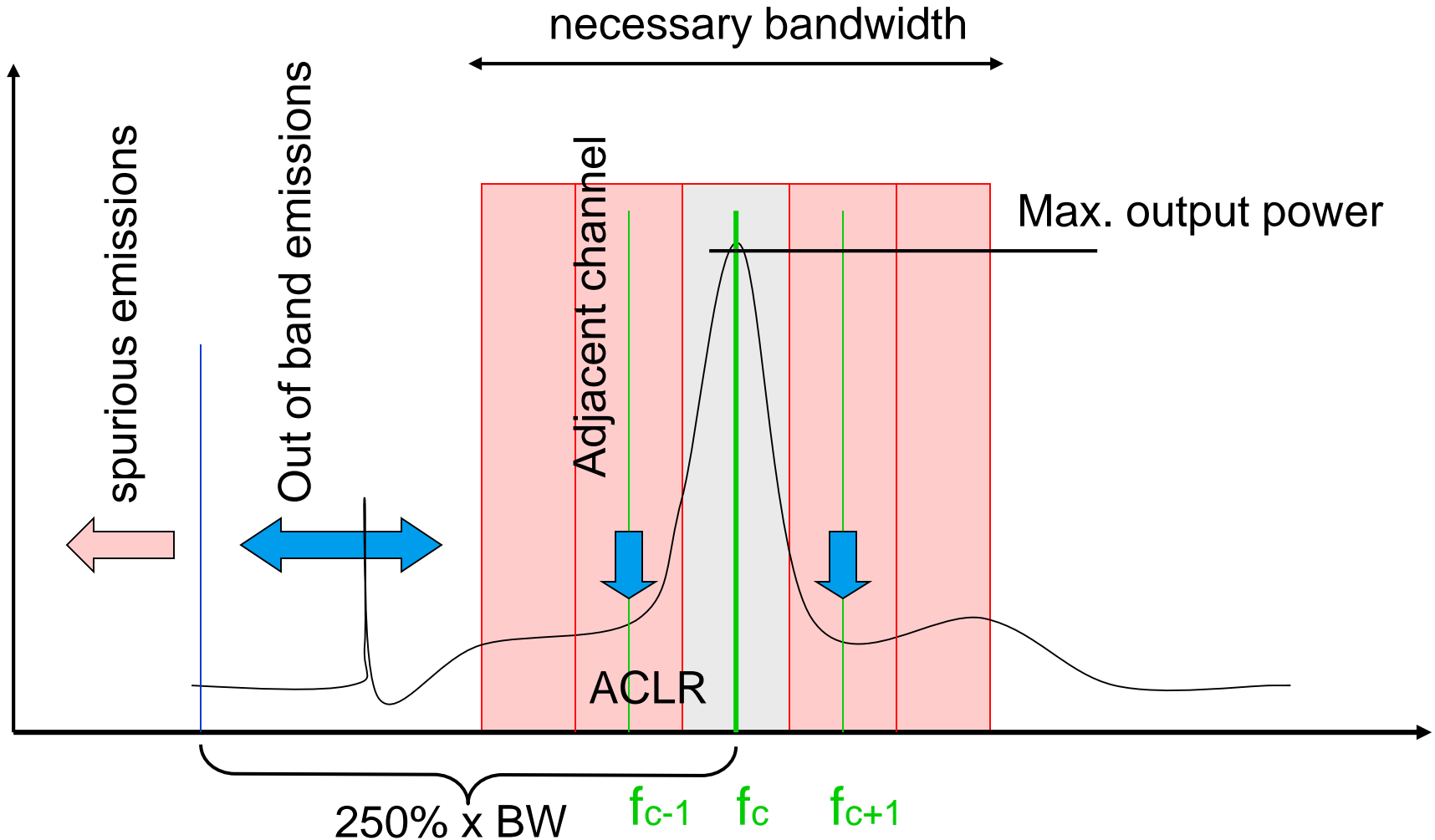
H ou V ???



	↑	→	↻	↻
V ↑	0 dB	∞	3 dB	3 dB
H →	∞	0 dB	3 dB	3 dB
RHC ↻	3 dB	3 dB	0 dB	∞
LHC ↻	3 dB	3 dB	∞	0 dB

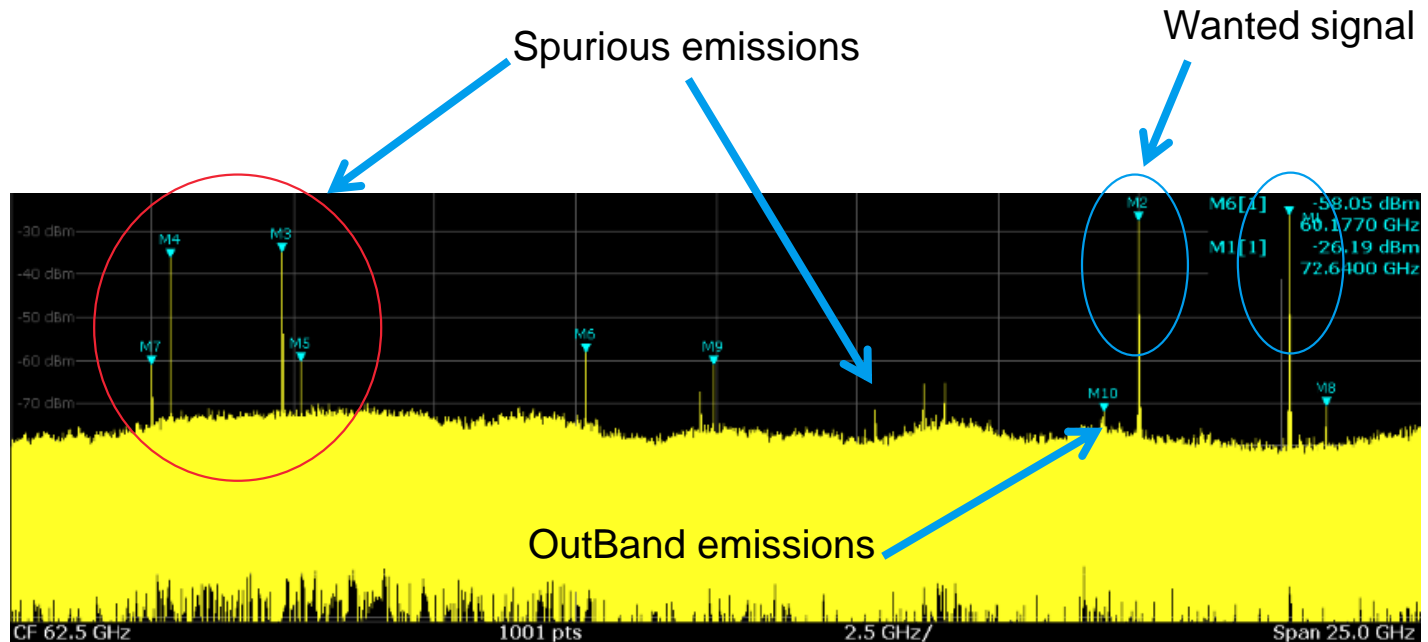
Spurious Emissions ↔ Emissions Mask functions

CP/ACP >> OutBand >> Spurious



Spurious Emissions ↔ Emissions Mask functions

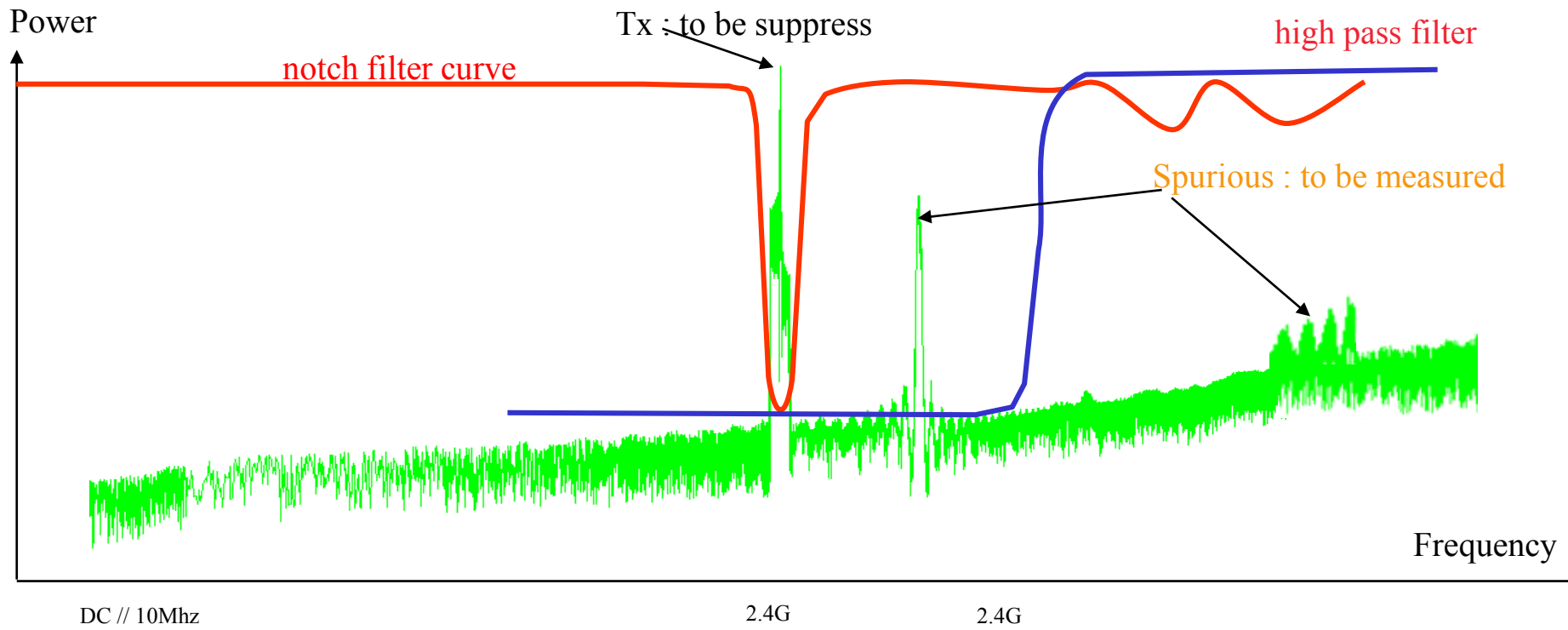
- Unwanted emissions outside the transmitter nominal operation frequency. Exclude the out of band emissions
- Caused by harmonic emissions, parasitic emissions, intermodulation products and frequency conversion products.



Spurious Emissions and RF power consideration

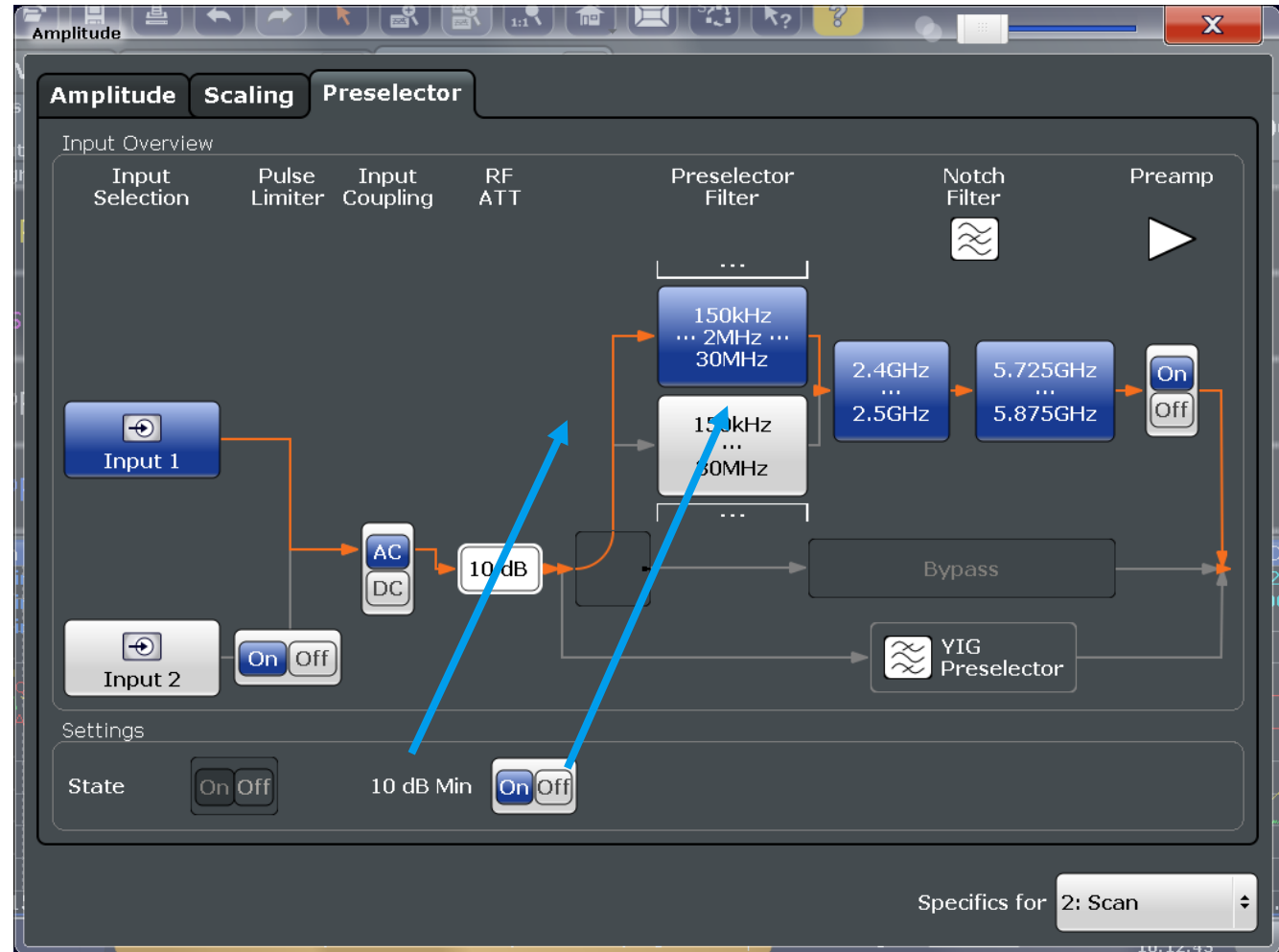
TX power = risk of Overload instrument

- ! Notch filter to reject the Transmitter Carrier (but BW limited most of time)
- ! HighPass filter, which can have passband up to 26 or 40 Ghz...
- ! Last, you can use antenna response to make this filtering



Spurious Emissions on EMI receiver(latest ESW)

- I Internal Notch filter (2.4Ghz & 5Ghz) added to classic CISPR Preselector
- I Internal PA



Spurious Emissions on Spectrum Analyser

- External Notch filter, if not enough dynamics
- Internal PA if not enough DANL on the SA
(both need dedicated calibration)



Test Report	Band Reject Filter		Model Number:		Serial Number
	Cavity Design		WRCJV 2400/2483.5-2350/2535-40/8SS		
	Total Quantity:		Customer Art. No.:		1
Invoice No.:			Customer:		
Shipping Date: 12.06.2009 Method:			Order No.:		
Net Weight: 0.45 kg 0.9 lbs					
Specifications:					
Passband Loss max.	F1	2350.00 MHz	1.75 dB	20/25°C	45°C
at Corners	F4	2535.00 MHz	1.75 dB	0.70 dB	0.69 dB
Insertion Loss max.	DC to F5	DC to 4500 MHz	0.75 dB	0.55 dB	0.56 dB
Reject Attenuation	F2	2400.00 MHz	40.0 dB	0.38 dB	0.38 dB
min.	F2 to F3	2400.0 to 2483.5 MHz	40.0 dB	54.2 dB	55.0 dB
	F3	2483.50 MHz	40.0 dB	50.2 dB	47.1 dB
Return Loss (50Ω)			14.0 dB	52.7 dB	52.8 dB
Operating Temp.	+ 15°C to + 40°C				
Connectors	SMA-female				
Dimensions	43 mm high				
	20 mm wide				
	165 mm long (plus connectors)				
	Cycling ok:	CF	Torque ok:	CF	
	Test by:	CF	Date:	04.06.9	
Quality Control passed:					
				Frequency Location	

Spurious Emissions and Time consideration

Good Noise floor = narrow RBW (if not standardized)

Meas. speed = but linked to the Rbw/Span

Spectrum mode : Sweep list

	Range 1	Range 2	Range 3	Range 4
Range Start	30 MHz	5.75 GHz	6.25 GHz	13 GHz
Range Stop	5.75 GHz	6.25 GHz	13 GHz	26 GHz
Spur Detection Threshold Start	-120 dBm	-30 dBm	-120 dBm	-100 dBm
Spur Detection Threshold Stop	-120 dBm	-30 dBm	-120 dBm	-100 dBm
Limit Offset to Detection Threshold	0 dB	0 dB	0 dB	0 dB
Peak Excursion	3 dB	3 dB	3 dB	3 dB
Minimum Spur SNR	10 dB	10 dB	10 dB	10 dB
Maximum Final RBW	100 kHz	100 kHz	100 kHz	100 kHz
Auto RBW	On	On	On	On
RBW	Auto	Auto	Auto	Auto
Number of FFT Averages	2	2	2	2
Ref Level	0 dBm	0 dBm	0 dBm	0 dBm
RF Attenuation	10 dB	10 dB	10 dB	10 dB
Preamp	Off	Off	Off	Off

Receiver mode : Scan table

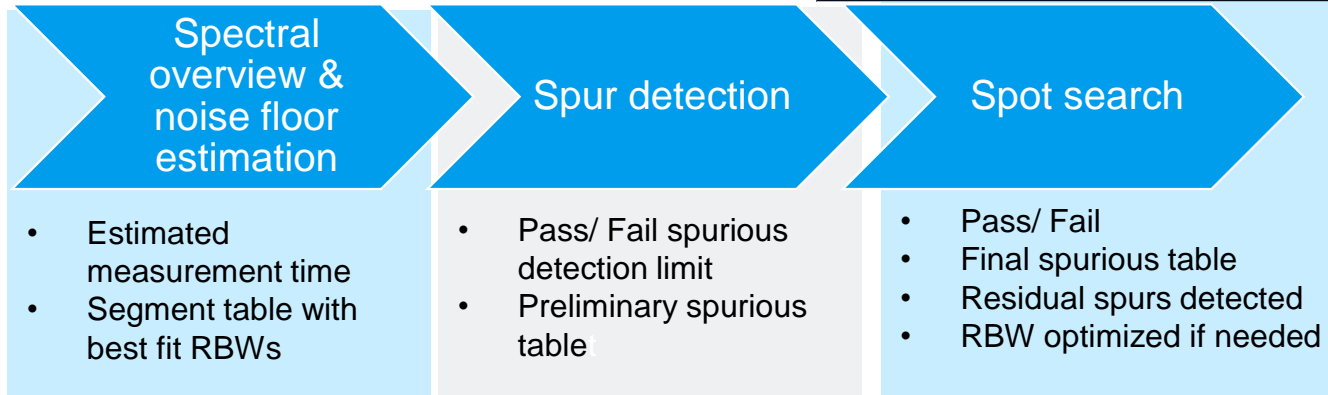
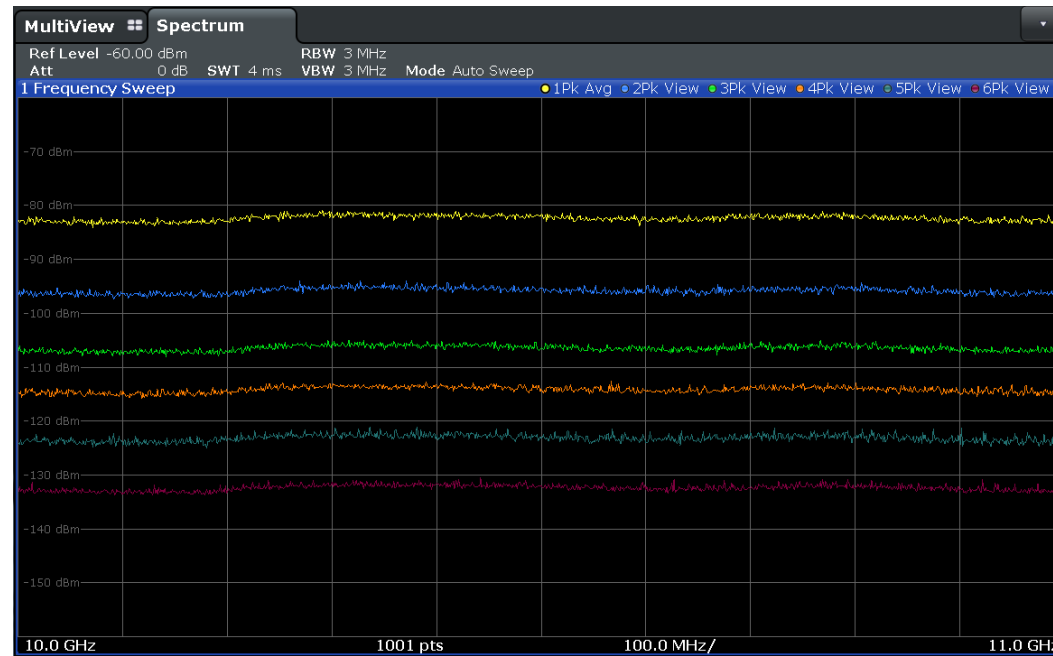
The screenshot shows the 'Scan Table' configuration page with the following settings:

- Scan Start:** 150.0 kHz
- Scan Stop:** 7.0 GHz
- Step Mode:** AUTO
- Time Domain Scan:** ON
- Adjust Axis:** (button)
- Delete Range:** (button)
- Insert Range Before:** (button)
- Insert Range After:** (button)

	Range 1	Range 2	Range 3
Range Start	150.0 kHz	30.0 MHz	1.0 GHz
Range Stop	30.0 MHz	1.0 GHz	7.0 GHz
Step Size	2.25 kHz	30.0 kHz	250.0 kHz
Res BW	9.0 kHz	120.0 kHz	1.0 MHz
Meas Time	1 s	100 ms	10 ms
Auto Ranging	ON	ON	ON
RF Attenuation	10 dB	0 dB	0 dB
Preamplifier	AUTO	AUTO	AUTO
RF Input	2	1	1

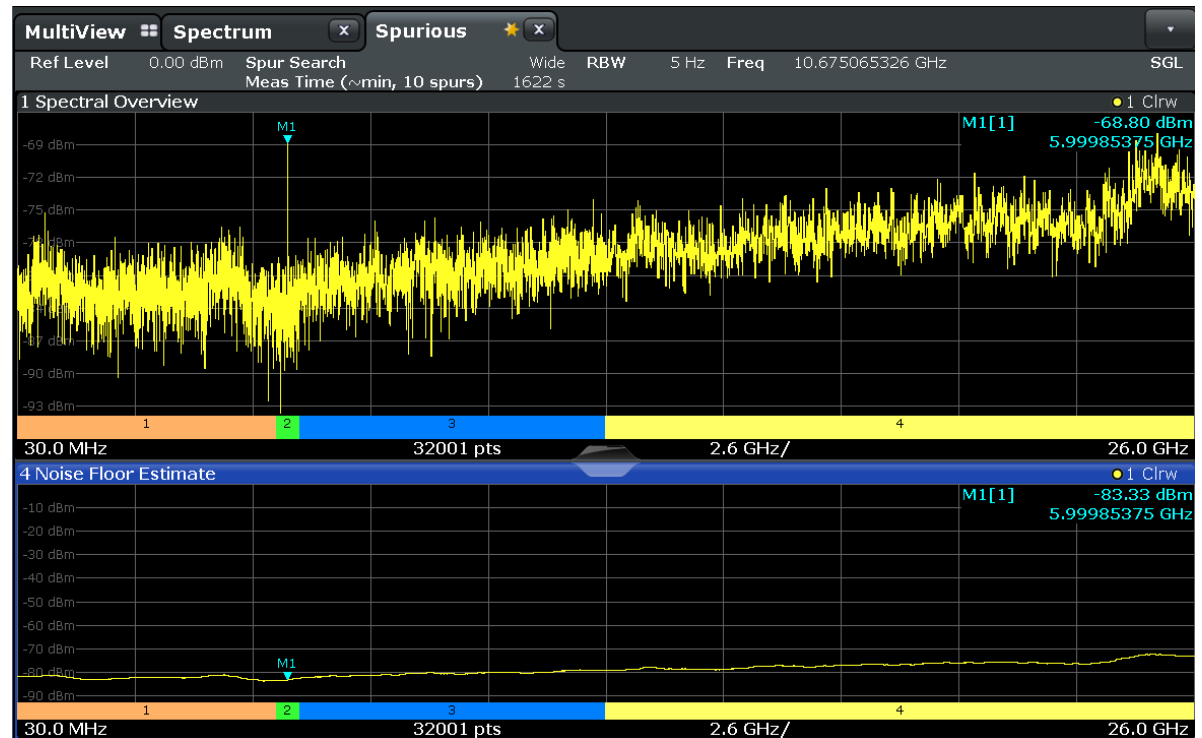
Spurious Emissions (RBW versus sweep time)

- The smaller the resolution bandwidth, the higher the spectral resolution.
- The RBW influences the displayed noise floor and the sweep speed of the spectrum analyzer.



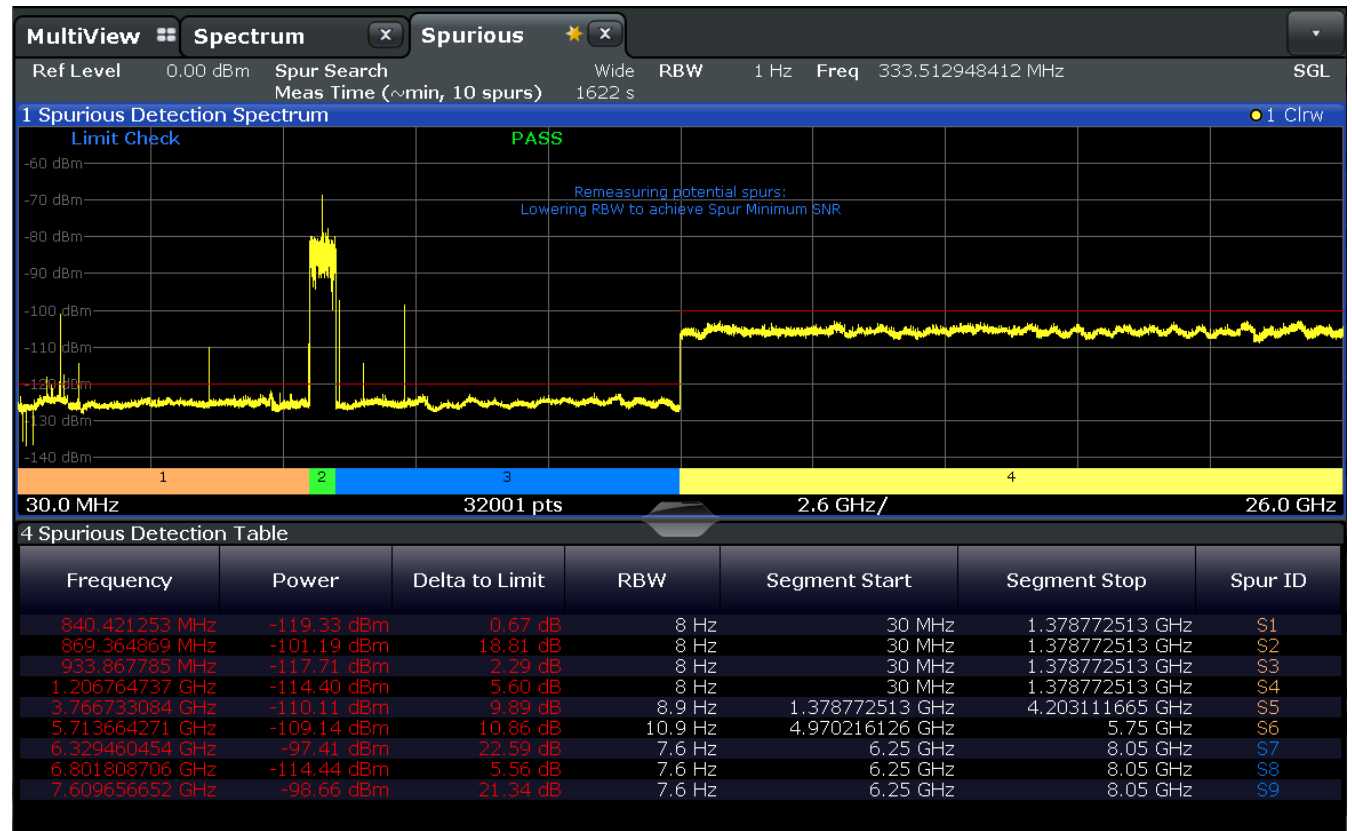
Spurious Emissions (prescan as overview)

- ✓ Measures noise floor for user settings
- ✓ Estimates required measurement time
- ✓ Calculates optimum RBWs for each frequency according to the spurious detection threshold



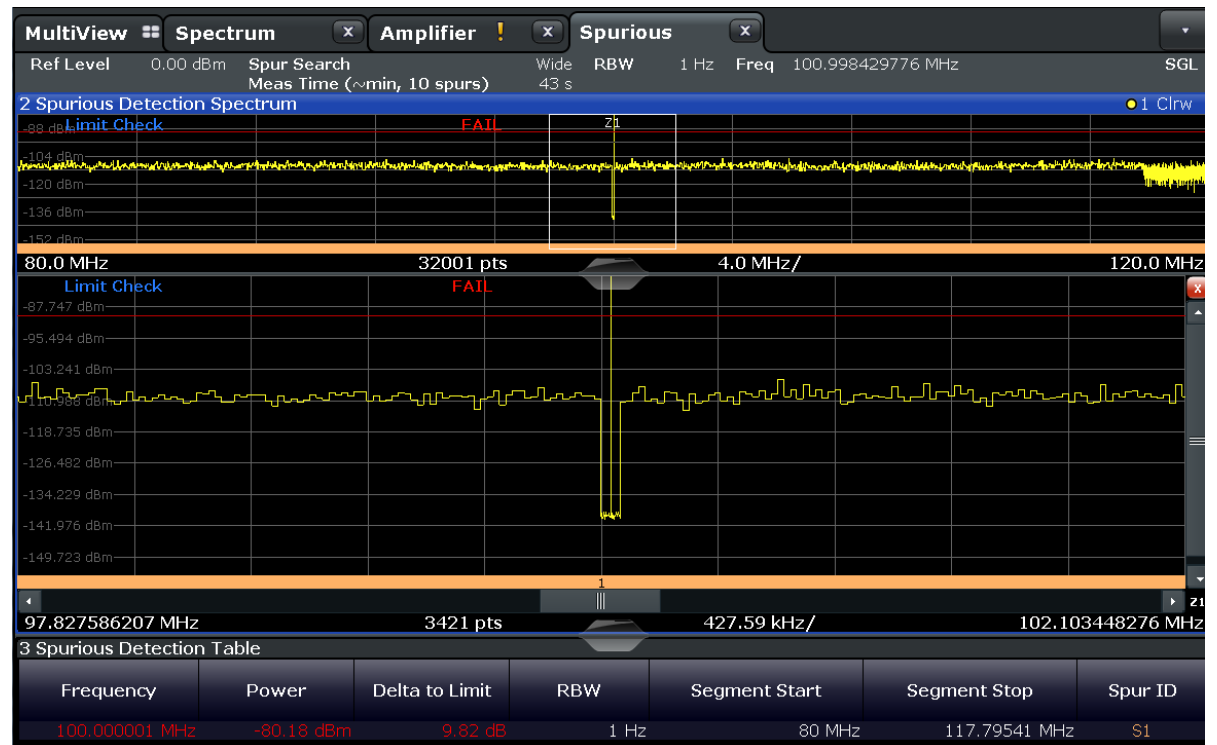
Spurious Emissions (spurious detection to limit line)

- ✓ Uses RBW settings calculated in previous sweep
- ✓ Preliminary spur table is the result



Spurious Emissions (partial sweep as spot search)

- ✓ Performed over very narrow spans around each spur detected in the previous step
- ✓ Pass/ Fail considering spurious emissions limit and SNR
- ✓ Final spurious table



Spurious Emissions (test time divided by 44)

Spur search with the new FSW-K50 is up to 50 times faster than traditional spurious

RBW / Noise (dBm) 1 GHz span	High end spectrum analyzer Speed (s)	R&S FSW spectrum analyzer, Speed (s)	New FSW-K50 Spurious search application Speed (s)
1 Hz / -140	9700	12246	200
2 Hz / -138	2840	3088	84
3 Hz / -135	1470	1384	35
5 Hz / -132	660	507	12
10 Hz / -130	308	132	7
20 Hz / -128	126	36	6
30 Hz / -125	51	17	5
50 Hz / -122	42	7.1	4
100 Hz/-120	23	4.1	3



Thank you
for your attention

