

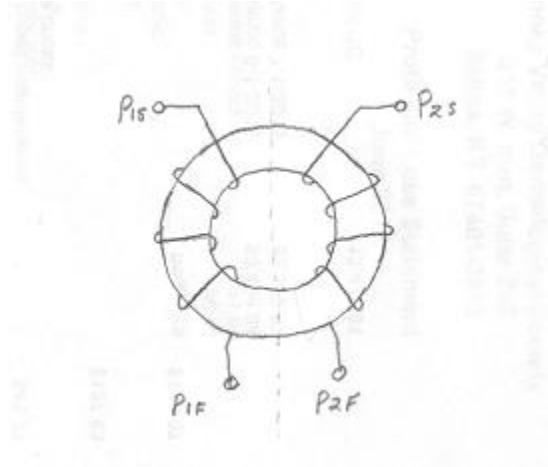
Common Mode Coil Tests 3_23_16 jmf

The following tests were performed on the following common mode toroid coil/core arrangement. The windings are counter-wound as shown and the specs are as follows:

Primary 1 and 2 wound with 92T each in 26ga magnet wire w/dcr = .71 ohm .

Pri 1 inductance = 44.8mh, Pri2 inductance = 47.8mh, Bucking inductance = 765uh

Core = Arnold P7070 ferrite, 2"OD x 1.25"ID x .75"Ht



Various connections will be made with the coil wiring. The scope connections will always be CH1(yel) to P1s, CH2(blu) to P2s, CH3(pnk) to output, CH4(grn) input current to P1s, and Math is CH1 x CH4 or input power in mean watts.

It should be obvious to those in the art that if a signal is applied to P1s while P2s is grounded with P1f connected to P2f, the coils would be operating in a bucking mode with relatively low inductance as compared to each individual coil. What is not obvious at least not to this author, is the voltage available at the junction of P1f and P2f. This is the subject of this paper.

The first test is with two separate in-phase 15v peak ac waveforms at 7kHz feeding P1s and P2s respectively with the output measured at the junction of P1f and P2f . Scope pix CM1 shows the results and as would be expected, the output peak on CH3(blu) is ~ equal to the inputs. The traces are slightly offset for clarity.

CM2 now shows the results when Ps1 and Ps2 are 180' out-of-phase with the input levels and frequency same as above. Note the ~96v peak on the output on the P1f and P2f tap along with the phase. Is this a result of the A field or magnetic vector potential? We know an H field exists in the center of the toroid core between the winding gaps.

CM3 has Ps2 grounded so the only signal feeding the coil assembly is the single ended voltage seen on CH1. Note the input/output ratio difference between the differential and single ended inputs.

The question now arises "can this be useful"?

CM4 shows the maximum peak output on CH3 of 216.5v at the P1f/P2f tap that is connected to a .01ufd film cap that is connected to ground forming a series resonance network. Calculating the port inductance with this resonance peak at 6kHz with the .01ufd cap results in 70.4mh. The rounding of the top of the output waveform is due to some saturation of the core at this induction level.

For comparison, CM5 shows a resonance peak at 5.7kHz with a lower level input of 10v peak vs 15v peak as in CM4. Note the cleaner output waveform that is lower in saturation than CM4. The port inductance now calculates to 77.9mh, an increase over CM4 due to less saturation of the core.

CM6 now shows the maximum saturation resonance at 10kHz just before a “snap over” occurs that is shown in CM9 at 10.3kHz where the output drops back out of saturation. This condition will exist until the frequency is lowered to 6.8kHz as seen in CM8 where the circuit snaps back into saturation. This circuit action is similar to the author’s PSO or Pumped Saturating Oscillator which will not be discussed here.

CM13 shows the output of the P1f/P2f tap on CH3 with a Caddock 1.0K ohm, 1% non-inductive metal film as a load with an input frequency of 10kHz. No resonance cap is used. The power output is 563mw rms with a mean input power of 1.041 watts.

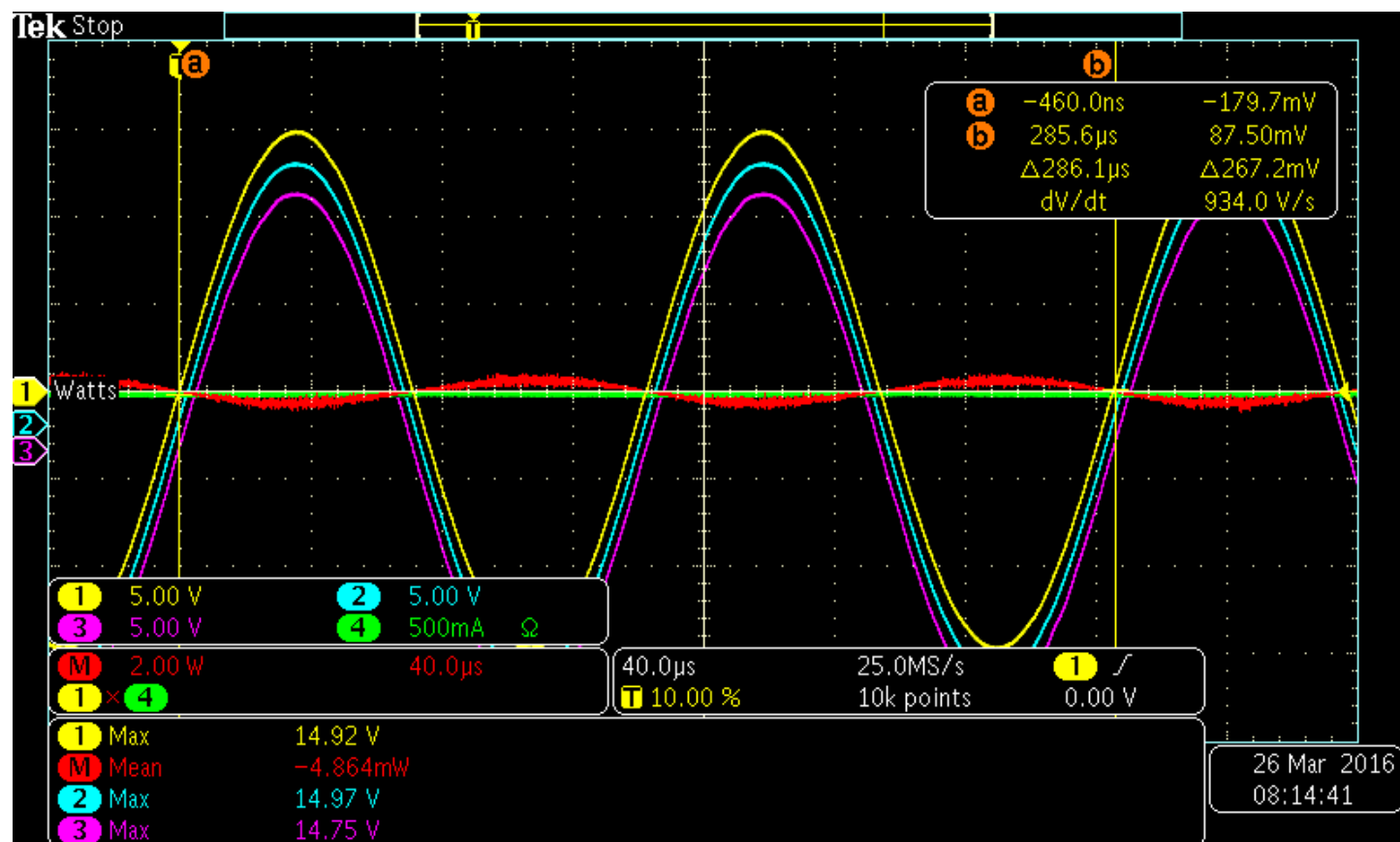
CM13A shows an input power of 604mw mean with no load which is basically the power to supply magnetizing current to the core. Since $X_L = \omega L$ and the buck inductance = 765uh, the reactance at 10kHz = 48 ohm. The peak input current therefore would be $40.23/48 = .838A$ which is close to the peak current on CH4.

What is interesting to note however, is the difference between the input power of 1.041 watts under load and the magnetizing power of 604mw which is 437mw. With an output power of 563mw this would appear to have a potential COP = 1.29. This potential COP increases with frequency but is not shown here for brevity.

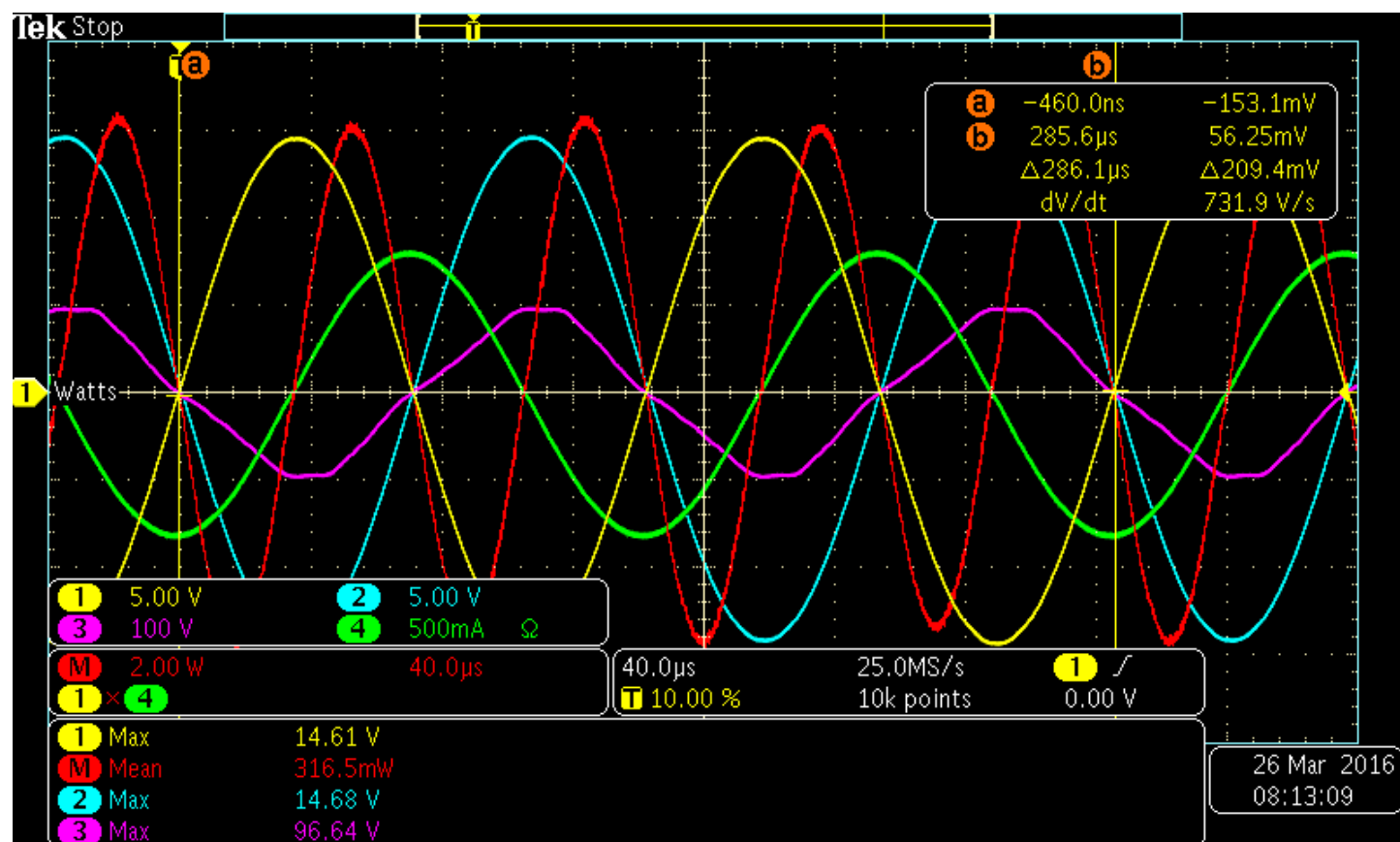
This utilization of this common mode choke or buck winding configuration leaves many questions to be answered. For example, is this circuit reciprocal? What if we drive the tap? What if we resonate the input? Why is the output ratio higher with higher inputs? Will this apply to air core windings? How, if at all, does this apply to the TPU?

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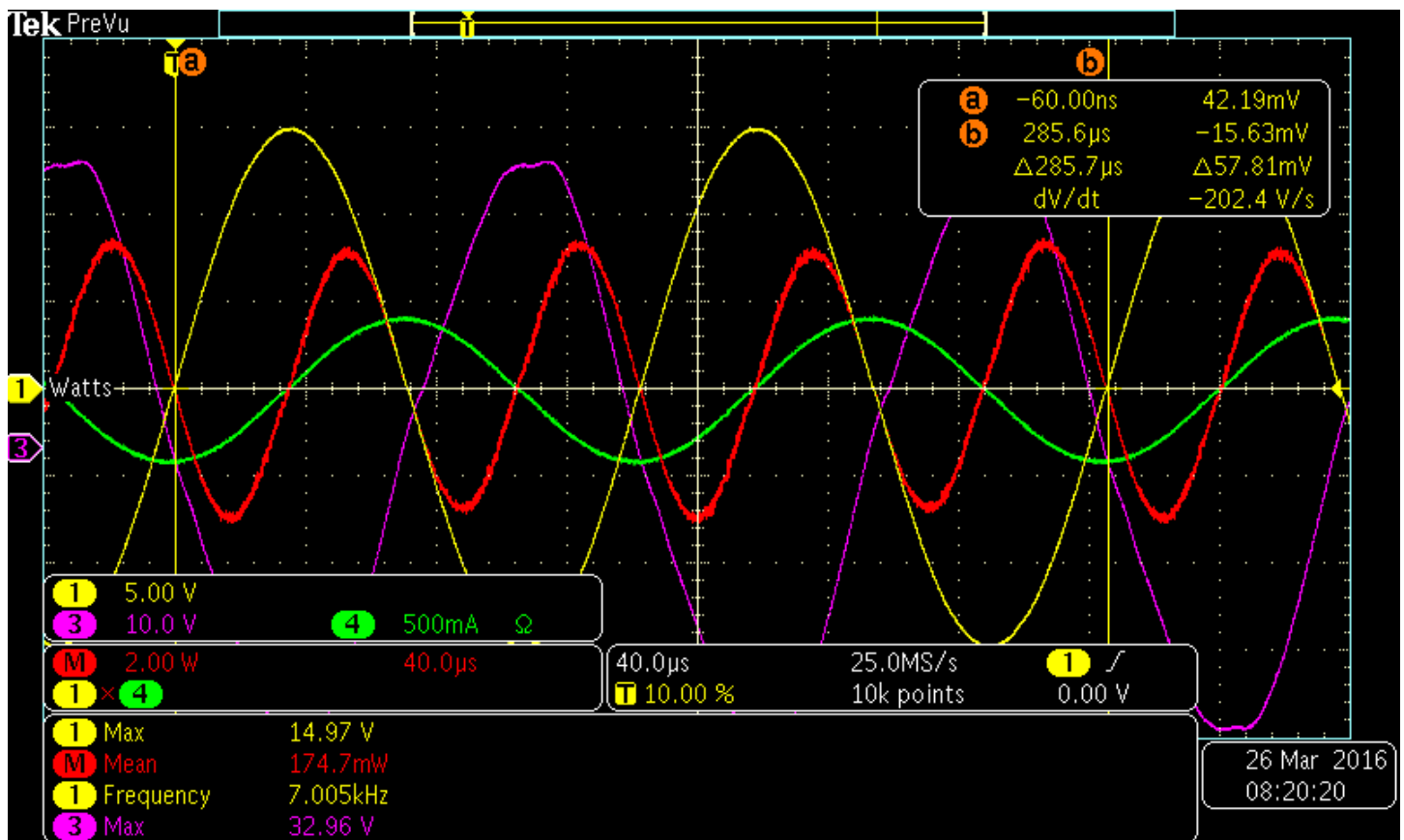
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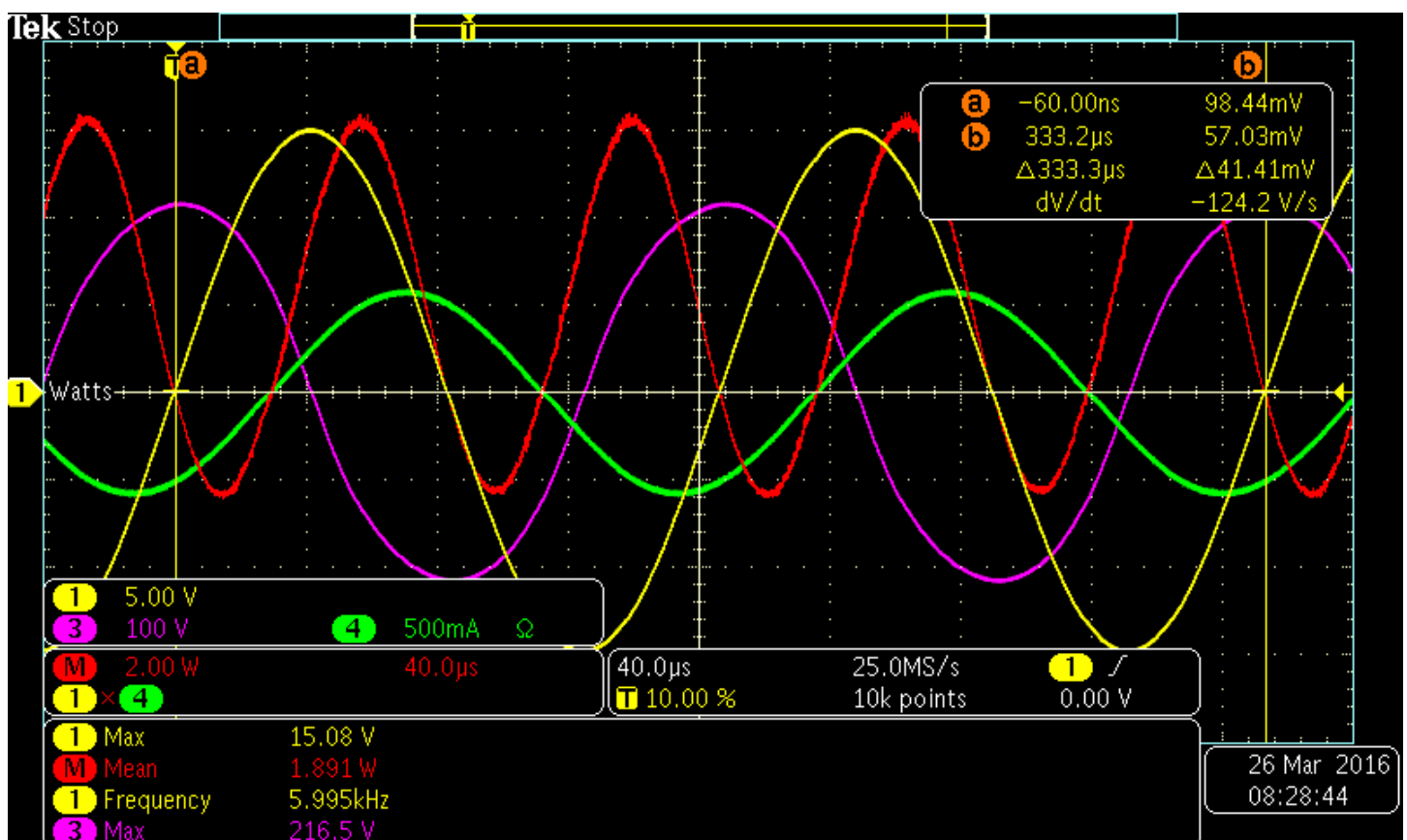
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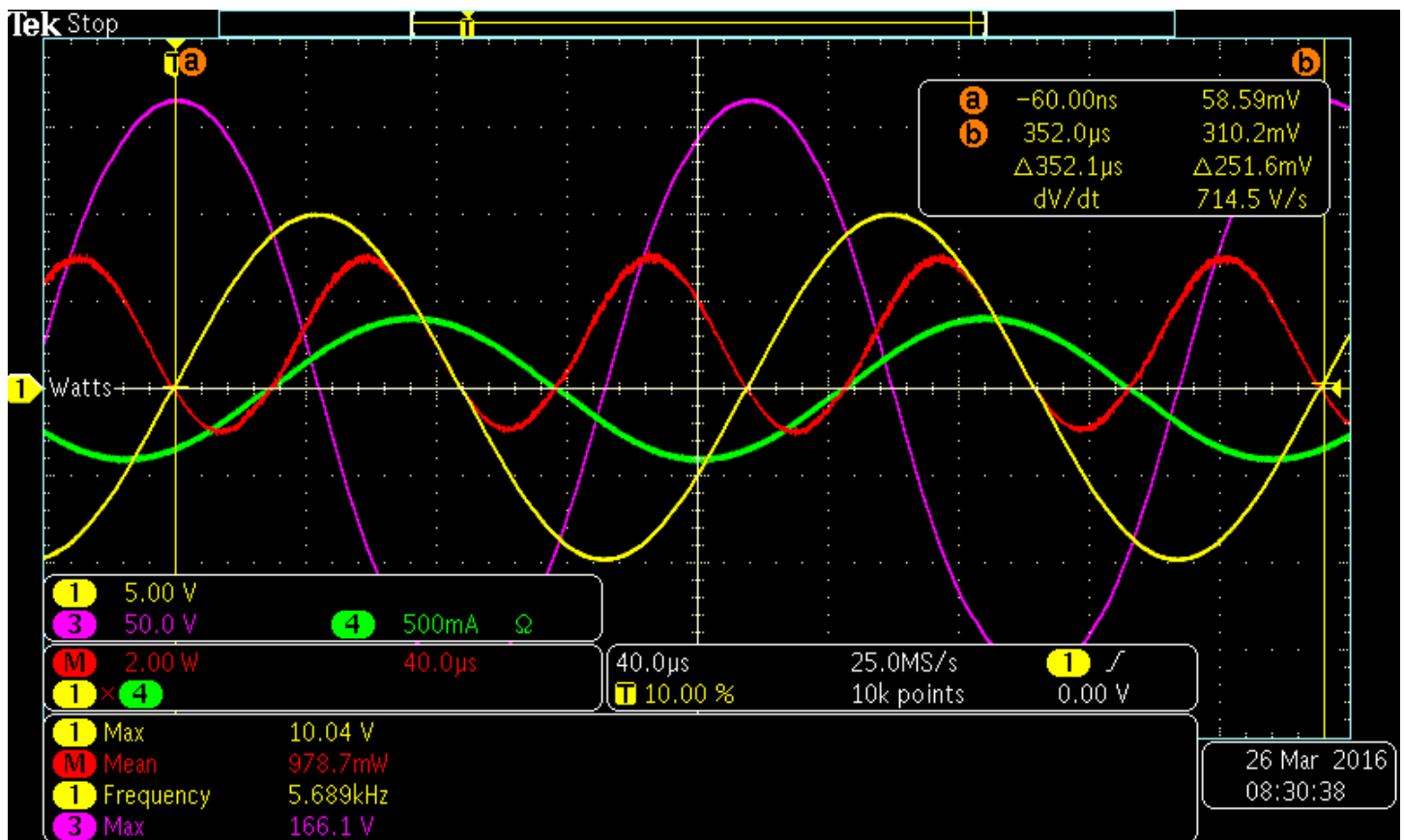
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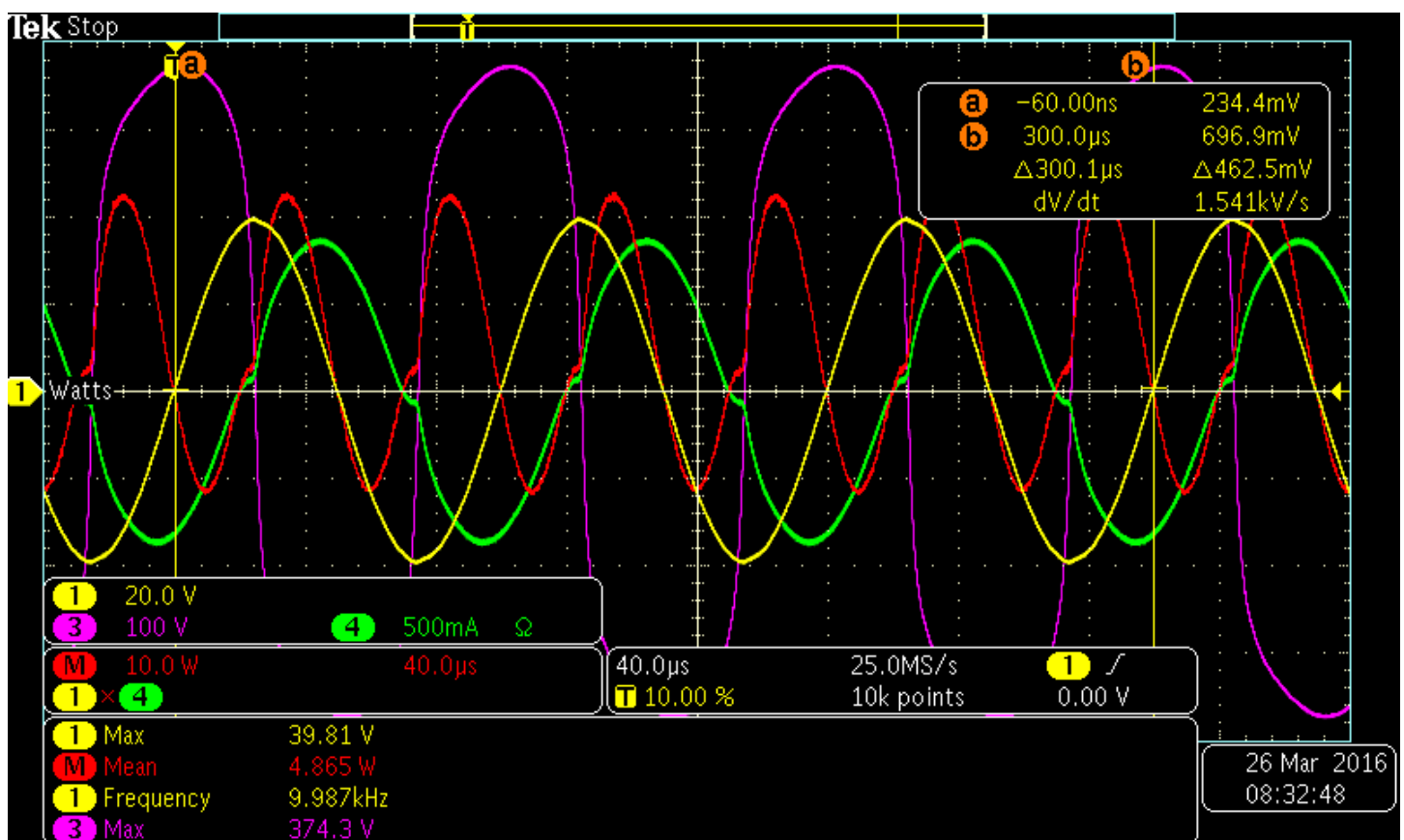
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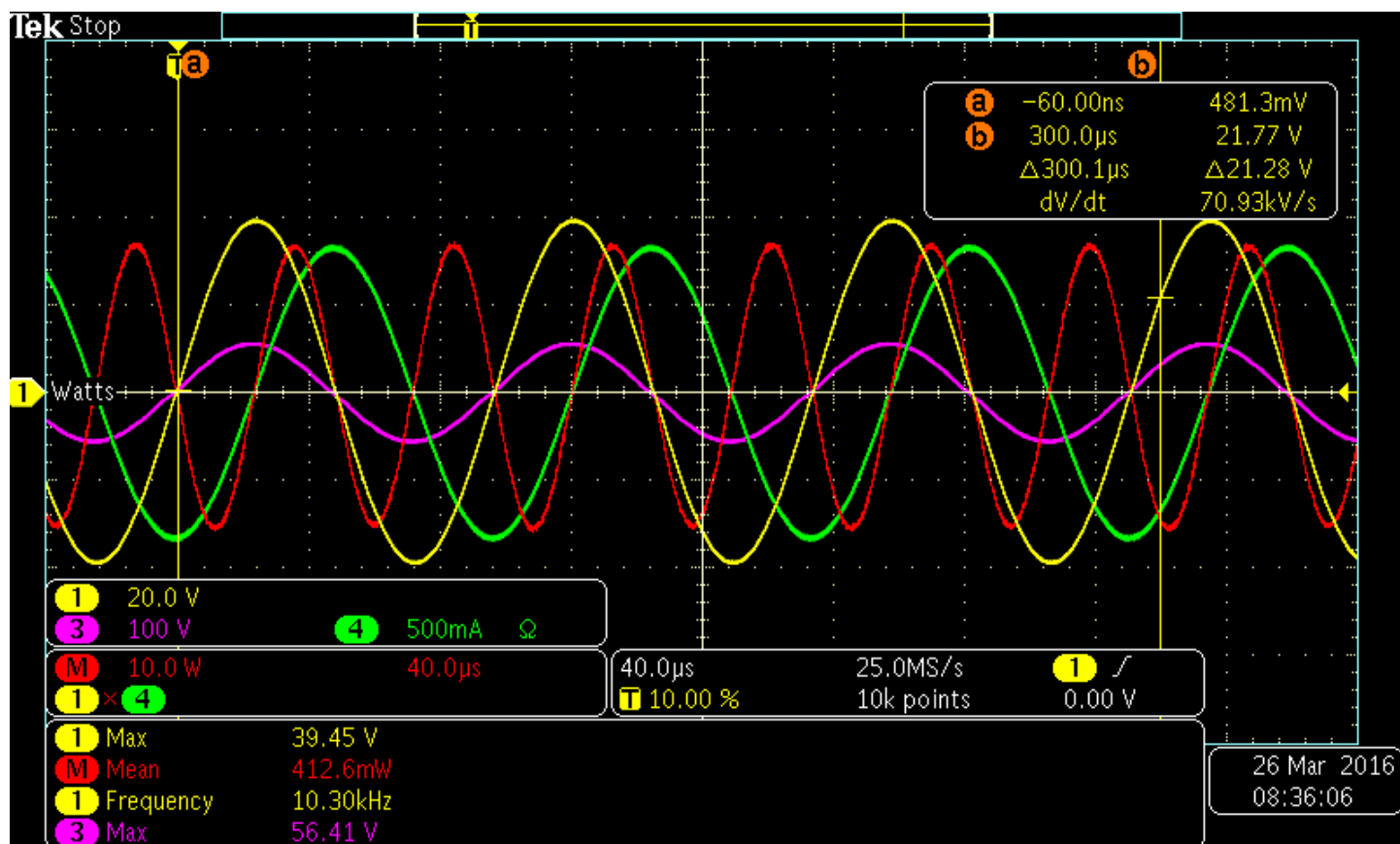
CM5



CM6



CM9



CM8



