A New Electromagnetic Bandgap Power Plane with super-broadband suppression of Ground Bounce Noise in High Speed Circuits



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Introduction

➢Ground bounce noise (GBN) on the power/ground planes is becoming one of the major concerns for the high-speed digital computer systems.

Adding decoupling capacitors to suppress the GBN[7] is not effective at frequencies higher than 600MHz due to their finite lead inductance.

PCB board



[7] Tzong-Lin Wu, Yen-Hui Lin, Jiuun-Nan Hwang and Jig-Jong Lin, "The effect of test system impedance on measurements of ground bounce in printed circuit boards" *IEEE Transactions on Electromagnetic Compatibility*, vol. 43 ,No. 4 ,pp. 600 – 607, Nov. 2001



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A new idea for eliminating the GBN is proposed by designing electromagnetic bandgap (EBG) structure on the power or ground plane.

The first EBG power/ground plane design[5], [8] was demonstrated with 1.7GHz stop-band bandwidth centered at 3.77GHz.



Ground plane

Unit cell

[5]F. R. Yang, K. P. Ma, Y. Q. and T. Itoh, "A uniplanar compact photonic-bandgap (UC-PBG) structure and its applications for microwave circuit," *IEEE Trans. Microwave Theory & Tech.*, vol. 47, no. 8, pp. 1509-1514, August 1999.

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Although a design of the inductance-enhanced high impedance surface (HIS)[2] and the concept of cascading EBG structure with different stop-bands were proposed to achieve wider bandgap bandwidth, there are some drawbacks.



[2] T. Kamgaing, and O. M. Ramahi, "A novel power plane with integrated simultaneous switching noise mitigation capability using high impedance surface," *IEEE Microwave and Wireless Components Letters*, vol. 13 no. 1 pp. 21-23, January 2003



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Introduction

A Novel power plane designed with a coplanar EBG structure is proposed in this work with 4GHz stop-band covering from 600MHz to 4.6GHz.



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L- bridge EBG design concept



$$Z_{in} = \frac{1}{j\omega C} \parallel j\omega L = \frac{j\omega L}{1 - \omega^2 LC}$$

When
$$\omega = \omega_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}}$$
 $Z_{in} \to \infty$

$$f_0 = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{LC}}$$

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 $Q = \omega \, \frac{W_m + W_e}{P_L} = \omega \, \frac{W}{P_L}$

W:total time average energy in a cavity resonator W_e :the energy stored in the electric fields W_e :the energy stored in the magnetic fields P_L : time-average power disspated in the cavity

at resonant frequency
$$W_e = W_m$$

$$Q = \omega_0 \frac{2W_e}{P_L} = \omega_0 \frac{2 \cdot \frac{1}{4}C |V|^2}{\frac{1}{2}\frac{|V|^2}{R}} = \omega_0 RC = R\sqrt{\frac{C}{L}}$$
$$BW = \frac{1}{Q} = \frac{1}{R}\sqrt{\frac{L}{C}} \propto \sqrt{\frac{L}{C}}$$

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L- bridge EBG design concept

Design concept :
$$f_0 \alpha \frac{1}{2\pi \sqrt{LC}} = BW \alpha \sqrt{\frac{L}{C}}$$

•Increase the effective inductance between adjacent cells and thus increase the stop-band bandwidth

• Ease the damage of the imperfect power plane to the signal quality.

Unit cell



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Stopband Model for the EBG Power Planes





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$$\left(\frac{-L_1 w^2}{1 - w^2 L_1 C_g} + \frac{1}{C_1} + \frac{1}{C_2} \right) \left(-L_2 w^2 + \frac{1}{C_1} + \frac{1}{C_2} \right)$$
$$- \left(\frac{1}{C_2} e^{-ik_1} + \frac{1}{C_1} e^{ik_1} \right) \left(\frac{1}{C_2} e^{ik_1} + \frac{1}{C_1} e^{-ik_1} \right) = 0$$



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Cg estimation

$$C_g = b \frac{\varepsilon_0 \left(1 + \varepsilon_r\right)}{\pi} Cosh^{-1} \frac{a}{g}$$



a = 30mm b = 28.5mm g = 1.5mm $\varepsilon_r = 4.4$

$$C_{g} = 1.59757 \, pF$$



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Signal integrity for L-bridge EBG power plane

Simulation structure



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Signal integrity for L-bridge EBG power plane

Source : 2⁷-1 PRBS, NRZ, coded at 2.5Gb/s, bit sequence swing is 500mv, rising/falling time 120ps



	Maximum eye opening (mv)	Maximum eye width (ps)
NO EBG	448.8	390
EBG	412.3	382



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EMI for L-bridge EBG power plane



EMI for L-bridge EBG power plane

Measurement result





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Conclusion

- A novel L-bridged EBG power plane is proposed in this paper with super-wideband suppression of the GBN from 600MHz to 4.6GHz.
- Compared with previous designs, this novel structure provides three advantage.
 - a. The L-bridged power plane broadens the stop band bandwidth to 4GHz and can cover to the low frequency range of 600MHz.
 - b. The signal quality is still kept acceptably good for the signal referring to the perforated EBG power plane
 - c. It is cost effective because only two layer metals are needed to design this novel power/ground plane structure.
- The excellent performance of the low-period PBG power planes is investigated both by measurement and simulation. Good agreement is seen.





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