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Circuits and Technologies for Highly Integrated Optical Networking ICs at 10Gb/s and 40Gb/s

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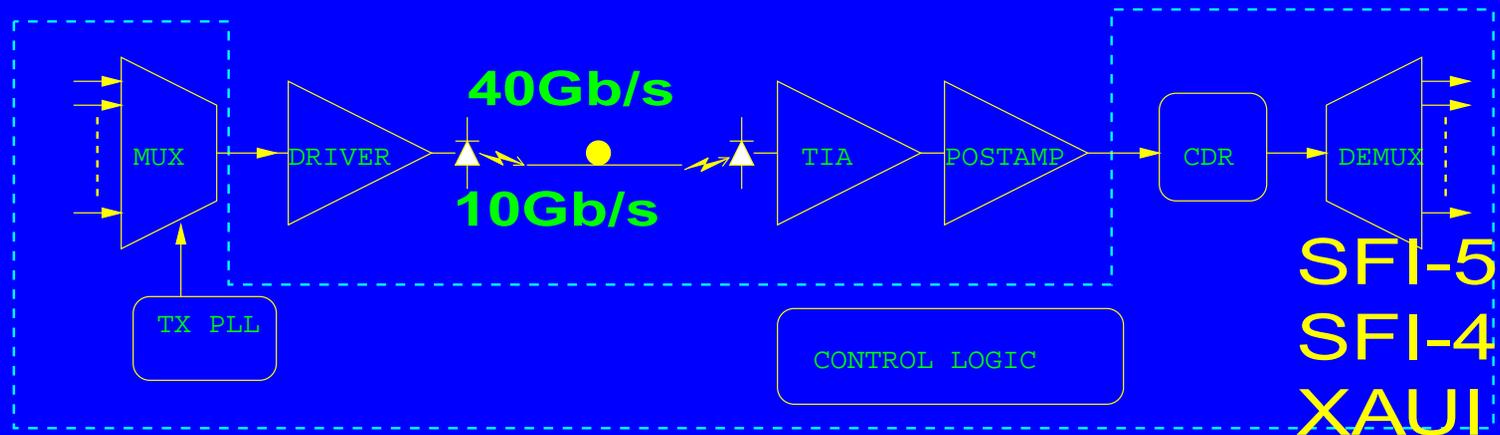
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Outline

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Introduction



- **SFI-5 (OIF standard): 17x(2.5Gb/s .. 3.125Gb/s)**
- **SFI-4 (OIF standard): 16x(622Mb/s .. 666Mb/s)**
- **XAUI (10GBE IEEE802.3ae): 4x3.125Gb/s**
- **SerDes:10K analog transistors, 100K..500K gates**

Goal

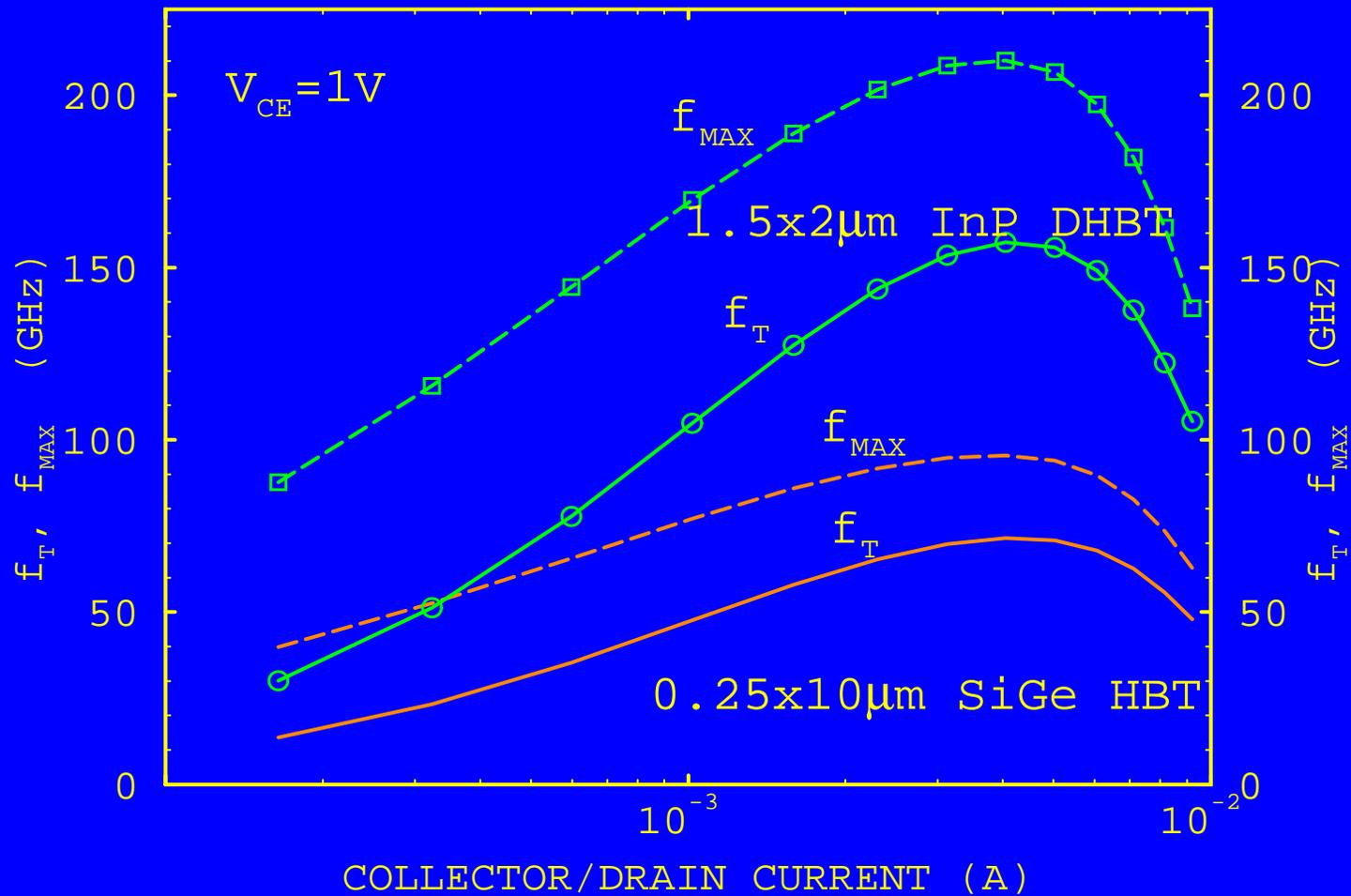
- **Define technology requirements for highly integrated PHY ICs at 10Gb/s and 40Gb/s**
- **Compare competing technology performance**
- **Examine basic circuit building blocks**
- **Demonstrate a highly integrated, OIF-compliant 2-chip PHY solution for 10Gb/s applications**

Technology Requirements

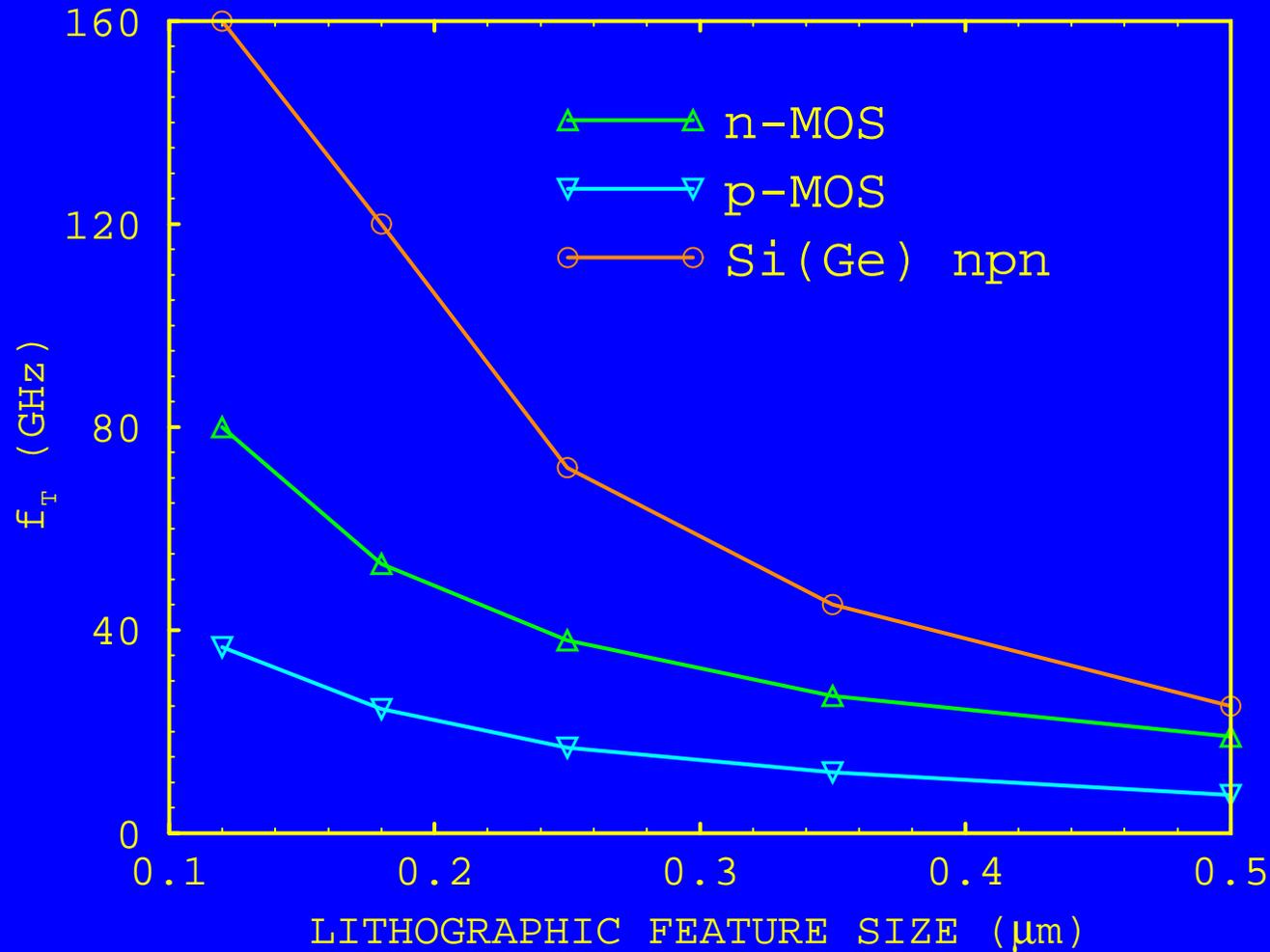
- $f_T, f_{MAX} @ V_{CE}=1V, T=100\text{ }^\circ\text{C} > 4x \text{ Bit Rate}$
- low peak f_T current density but high intrinsic slew-rate (SL_I)
- small feature size
- high Q inductor and varactor
- low turn-on voltage
- high breakdown (for drivers)
- fine metal pitch and large metal layer count

Transistor Performance

InP vs. SiGe HBT



f_T Scaling of Si Technologies

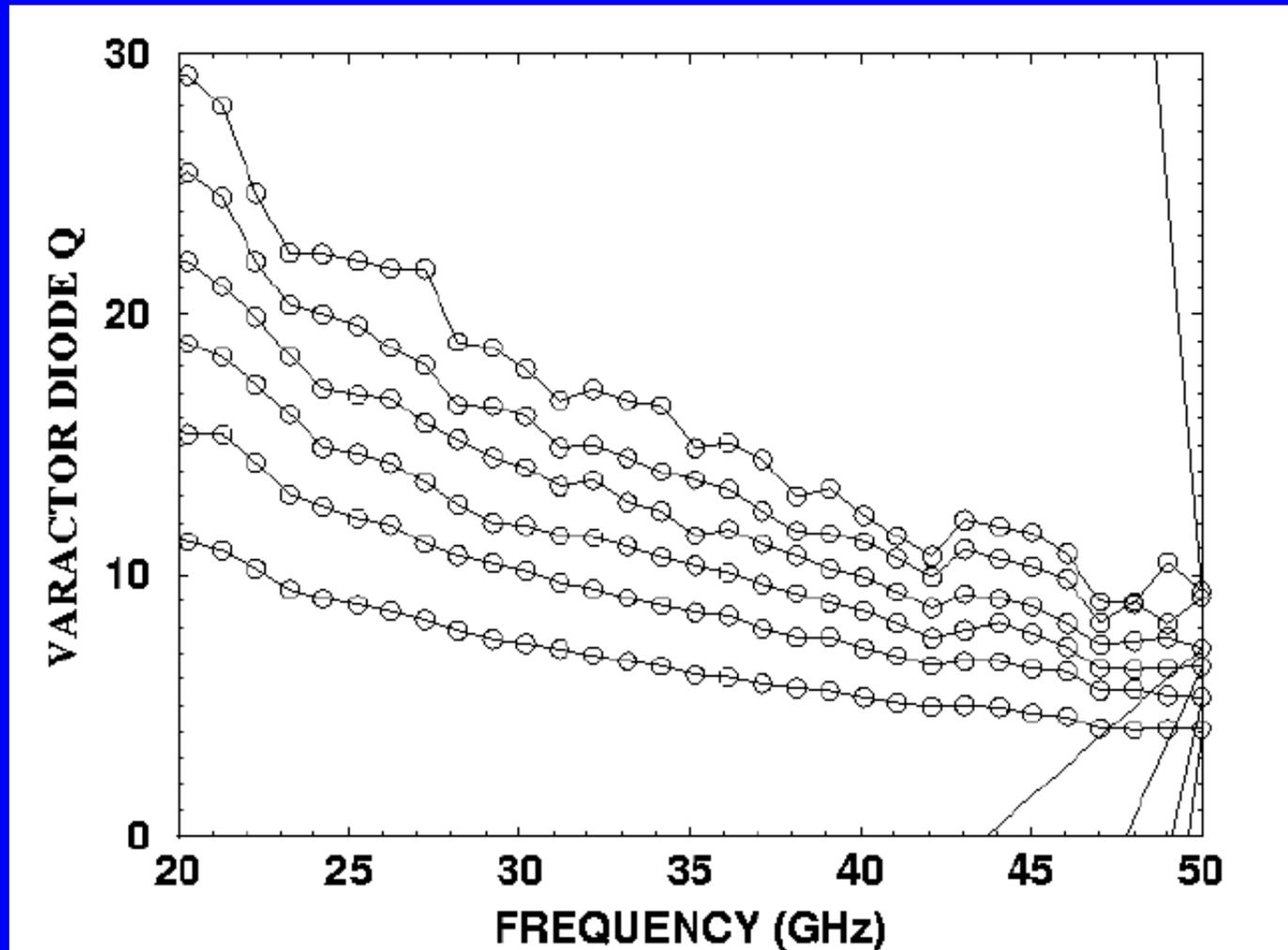


Transistor Technologies

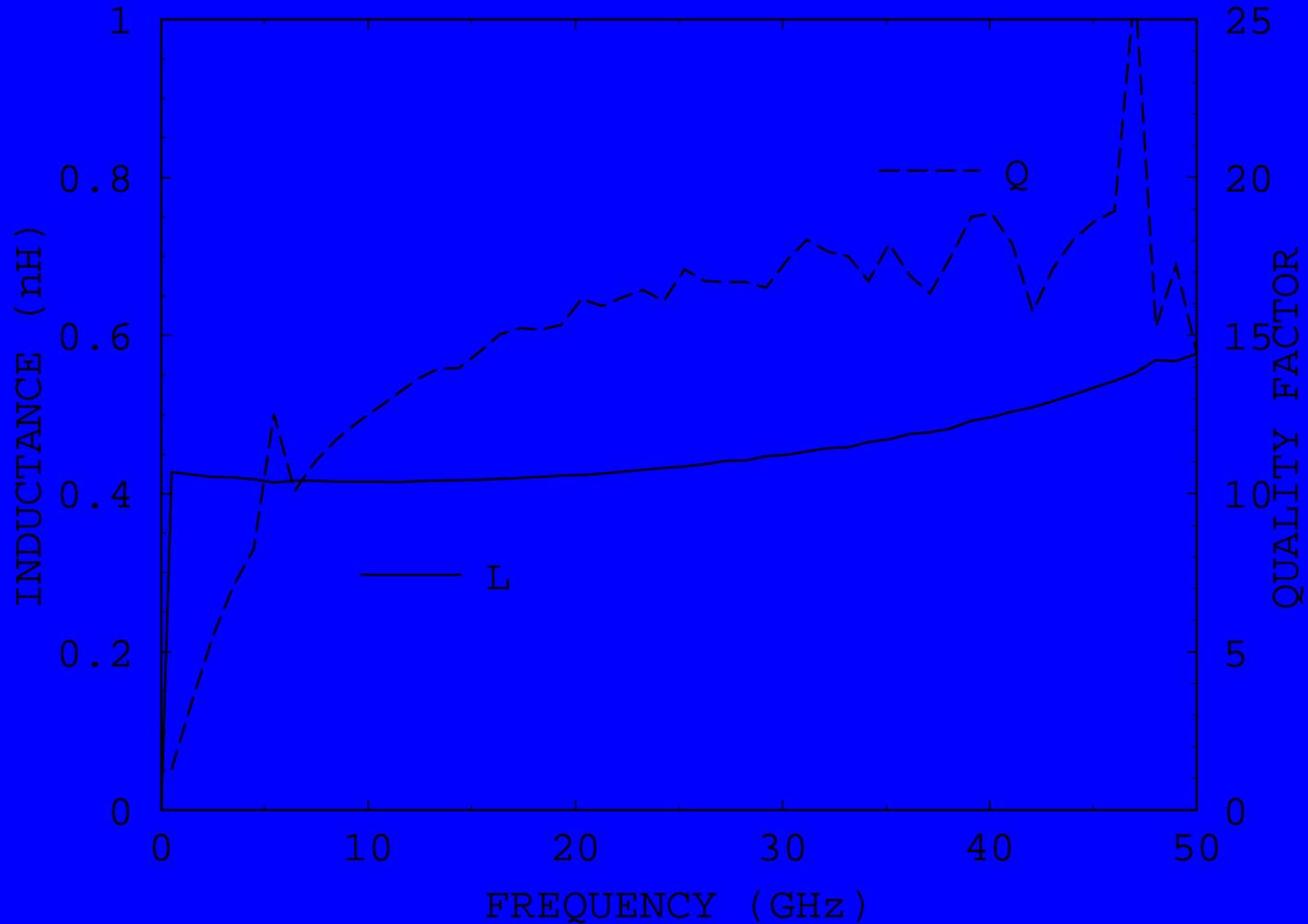
Device param	InP DHBT	GaAs HBT	SiGe HBT	n-MOS	p-MOS
size (μm)	1	2	0.25	0.12	0.12
f_T (GHz)	160	70	70	80-90	40
f_{MAX} (GHz)	200	70	90	70-90	40-50
J_{CPfT} ($\text{mA}/\mu\text{m}^2$)	1.2	0.8	3	2.6	1.3
SL_1 (V/ps)	1	0.5	0.35	1.4	0.7
BV_{CEO} (V)	>6	>10	2.8	>1.2	>1.2
V_{BE}/V_T (V)	0.8	1.4	0.9	0.35	-0.35

Passive Device Performance

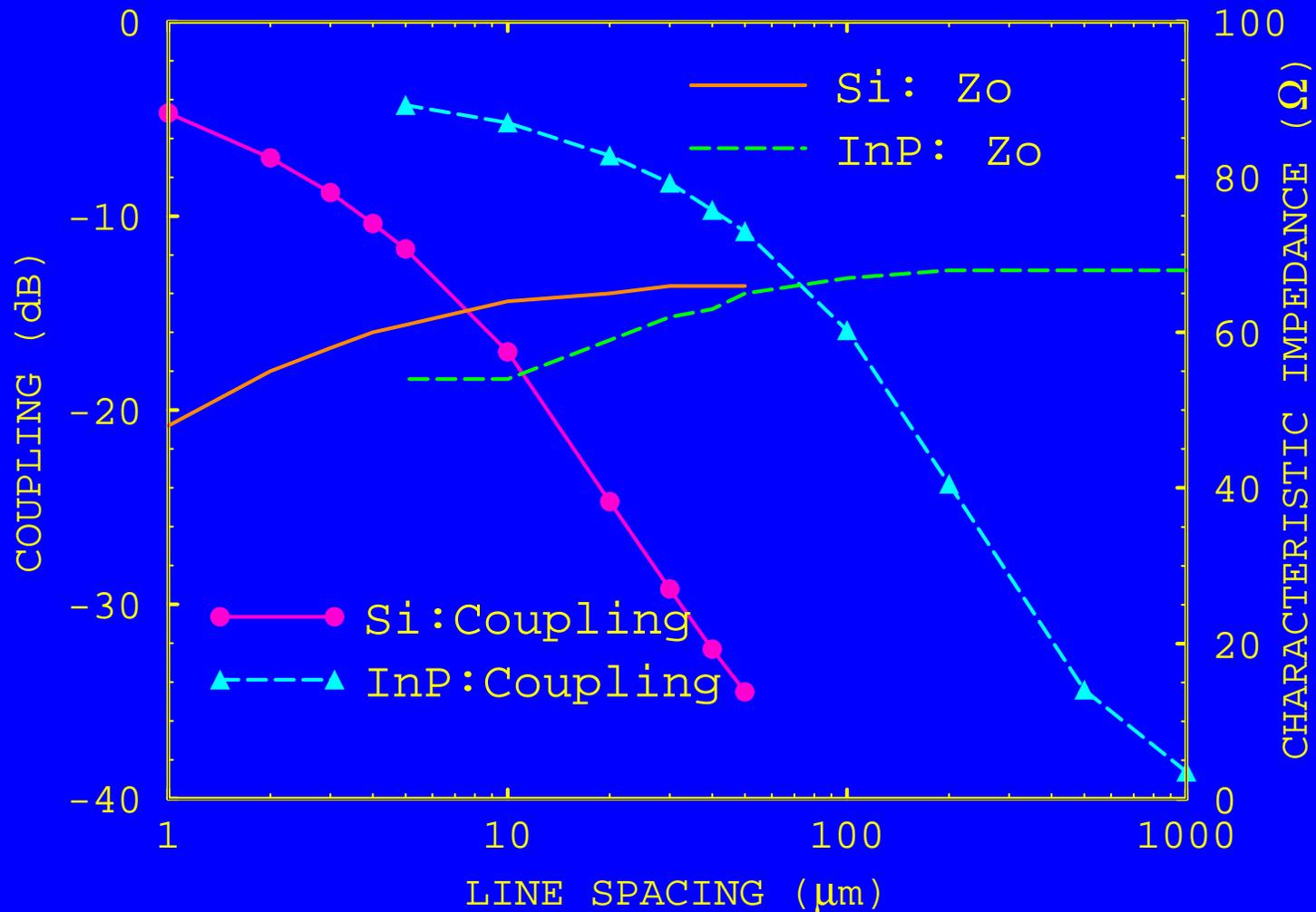
100fF Si Varactor Diode Q



0.425nH Si Inductor



On-Wafer Coupling/Isolation

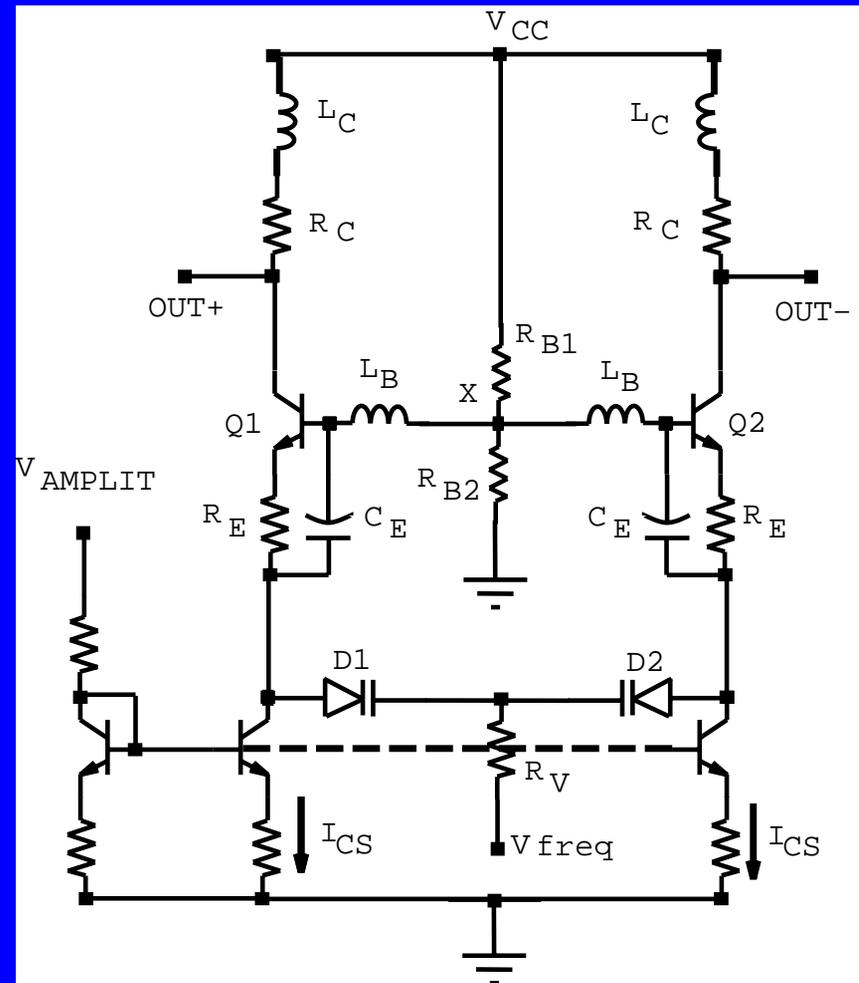


Building Blocks

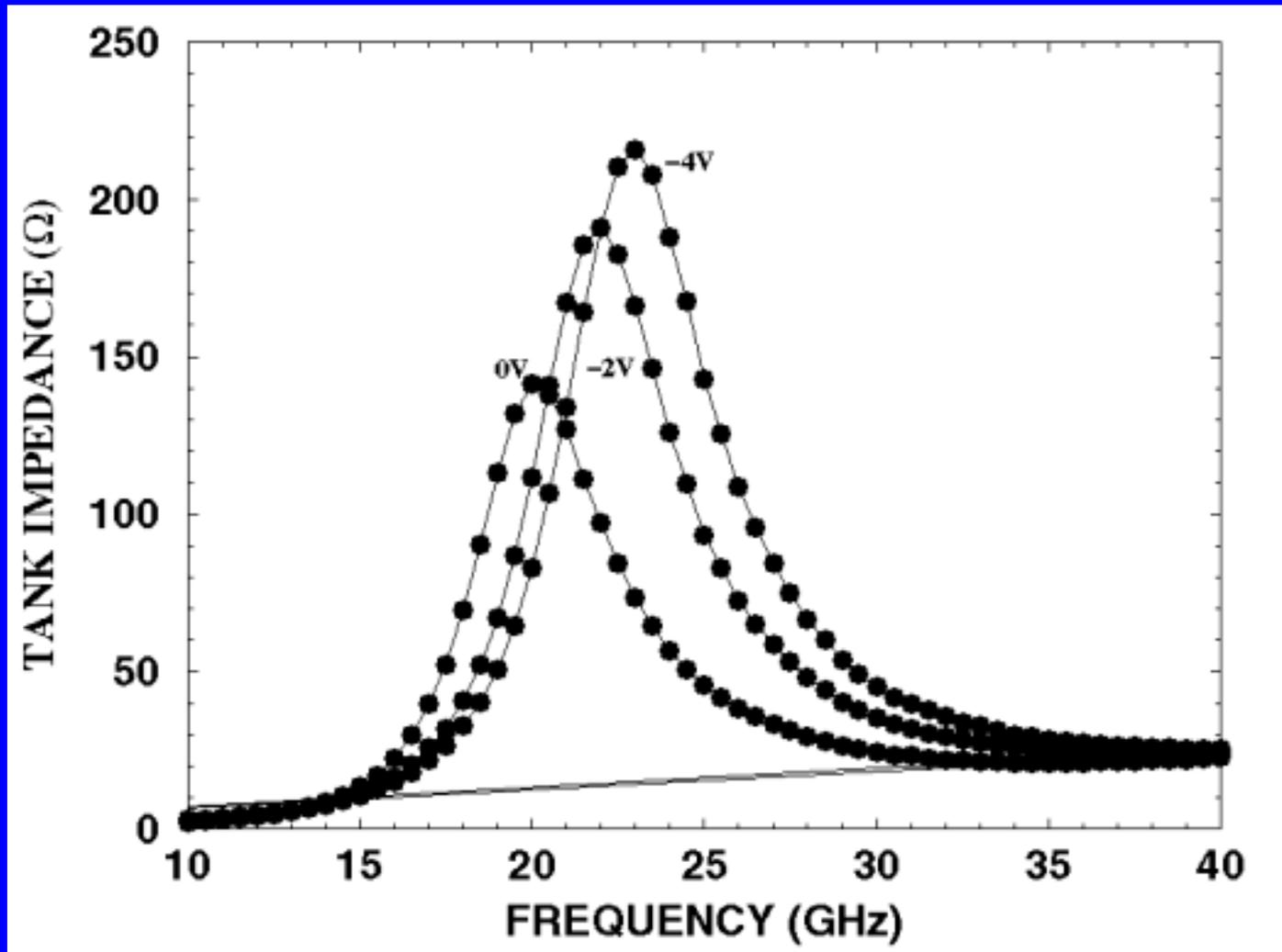
Si/SiGe 20/40GHz VCO

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MTT-Symposium 2000

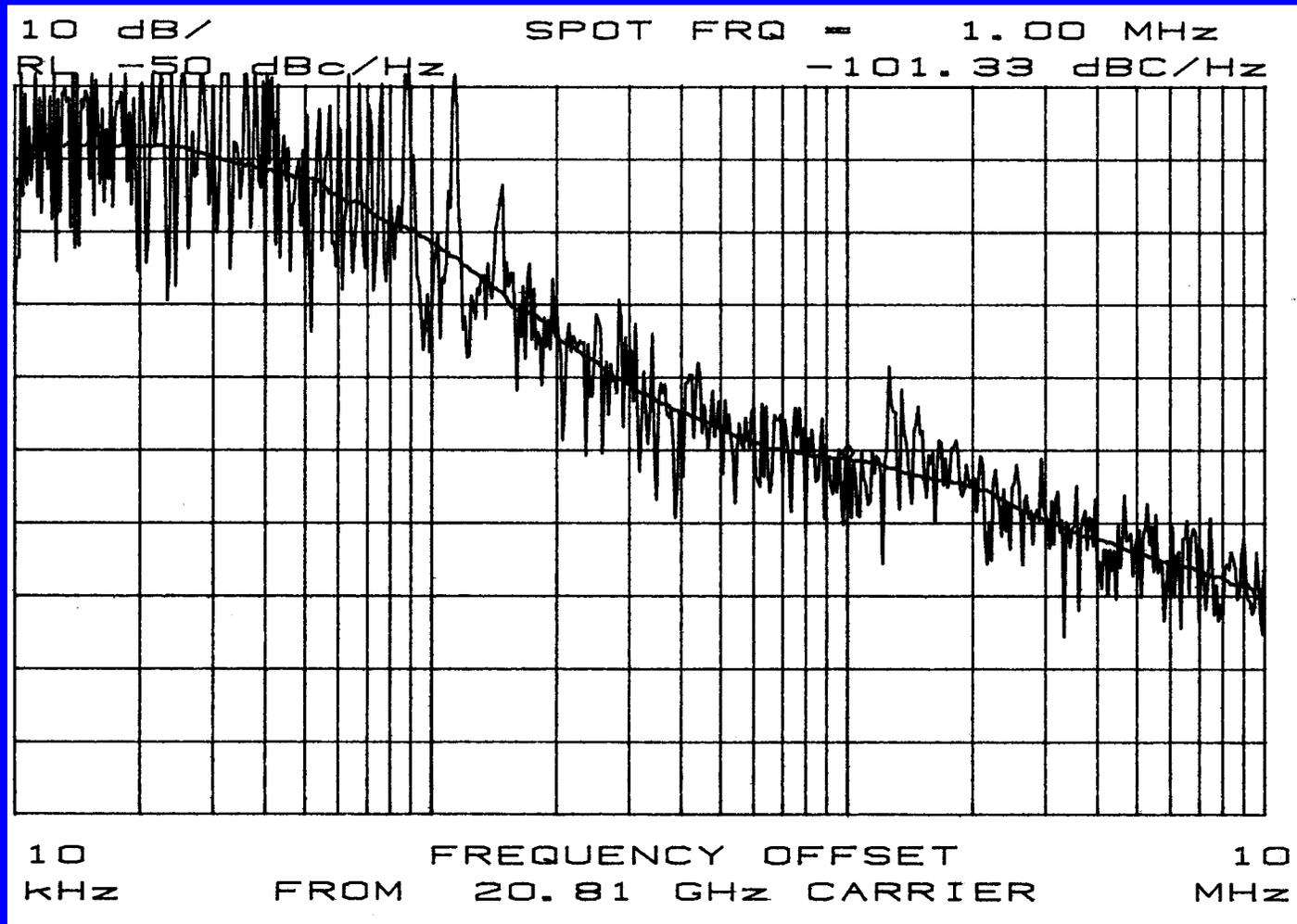
- 21.4GHz differential mode at OUT+ and OUT- nodes
- 42.8GHz single-ended operation at X node.
- 15% tuning range
- 100dBc/Hz @ 1MHz



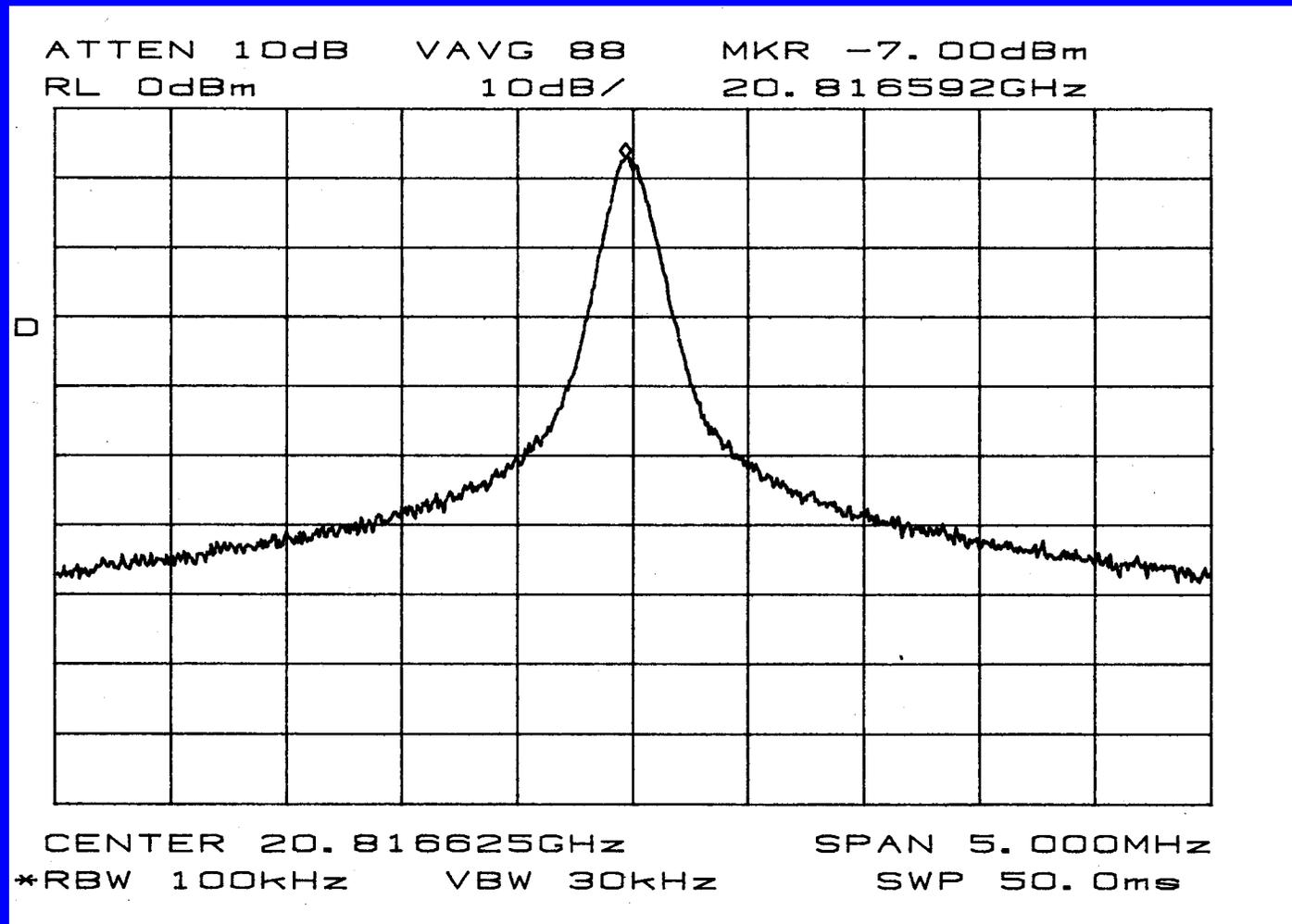
20GHz VCO Tank Tuning



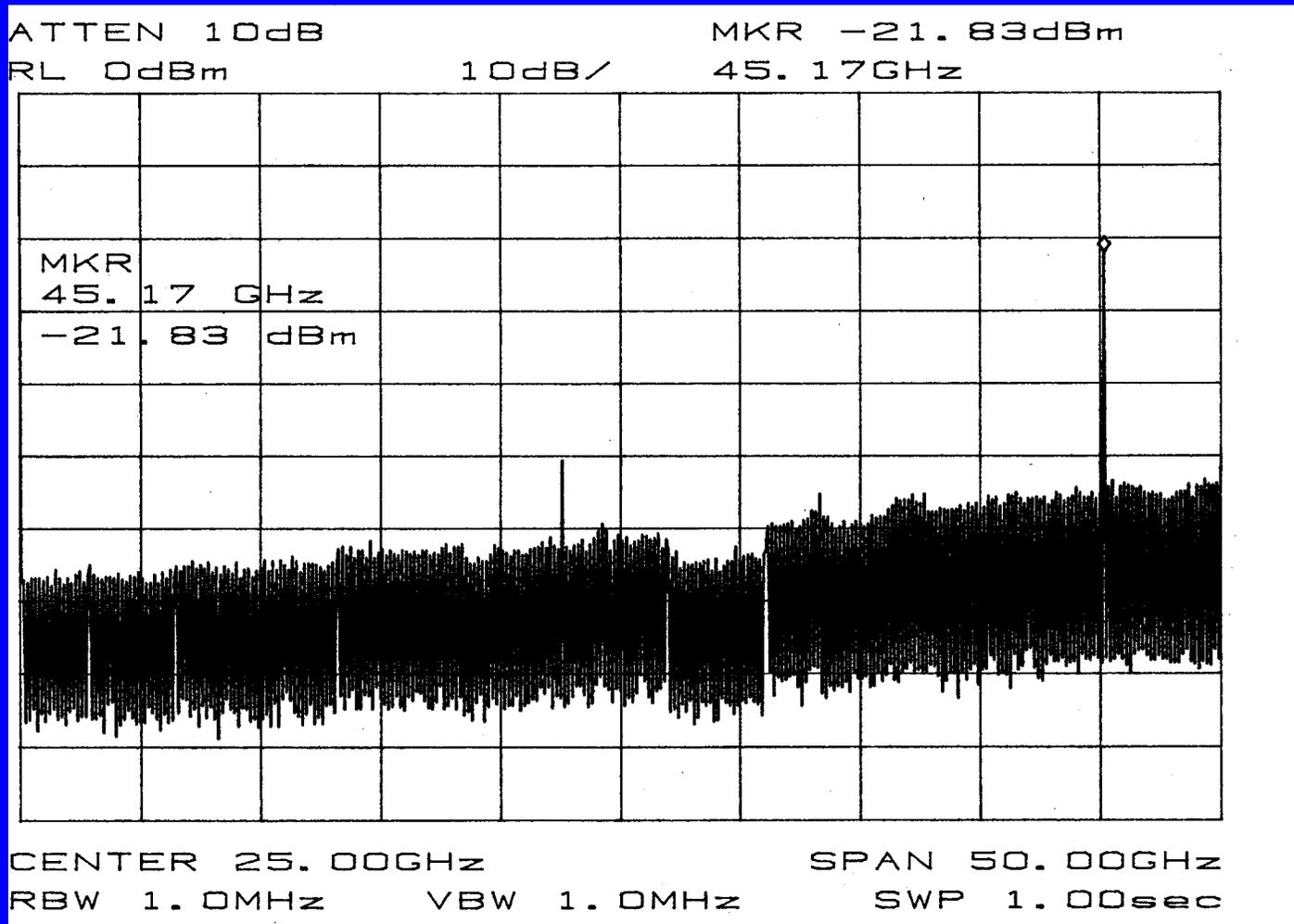
20GHz VCO Phase Noise



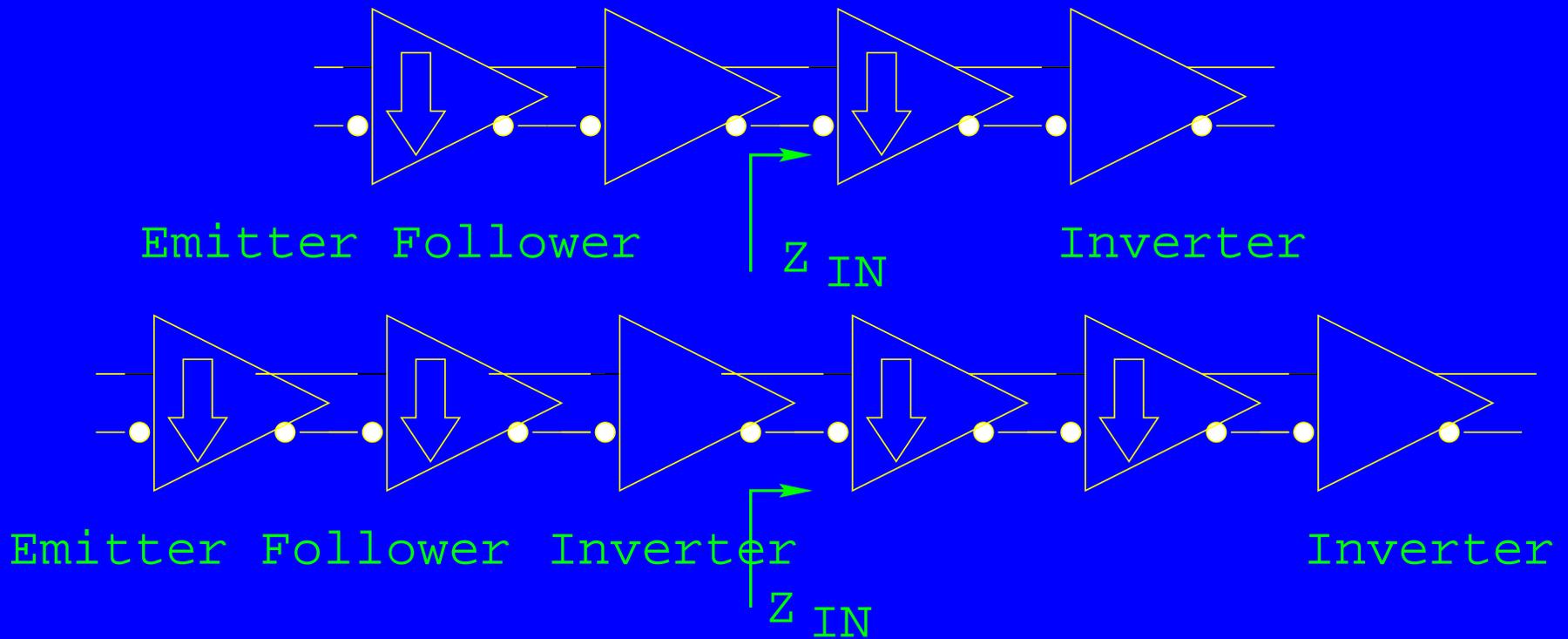
20GHz VCO Spectra



45GHz VCO Spectra



Digital Blocks: E²CL vs. ECL



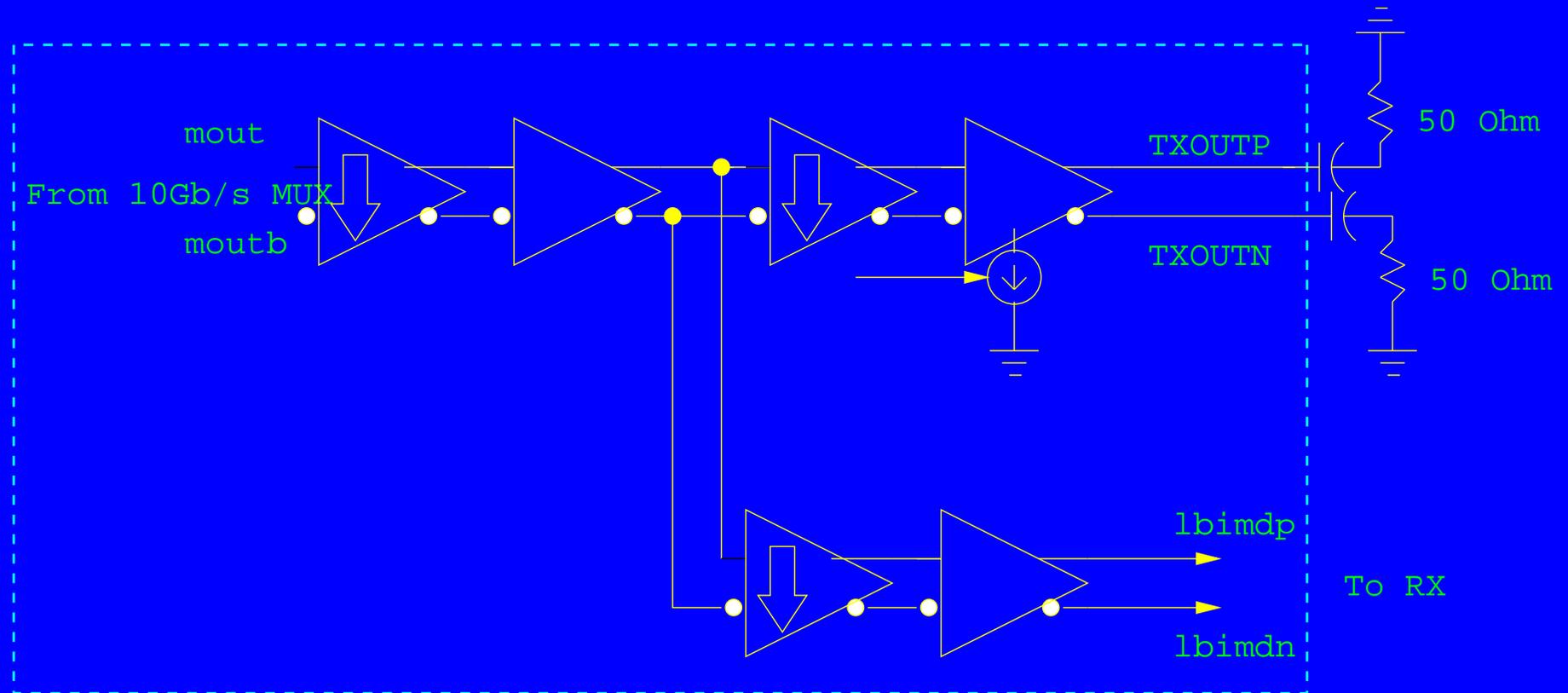
- **ECL able to operate @ 3.3V in SiGe/InP**
- **E²CL requires MOSFET current source @3.3V**

Digital Blocks: MOS vs. Bipolar

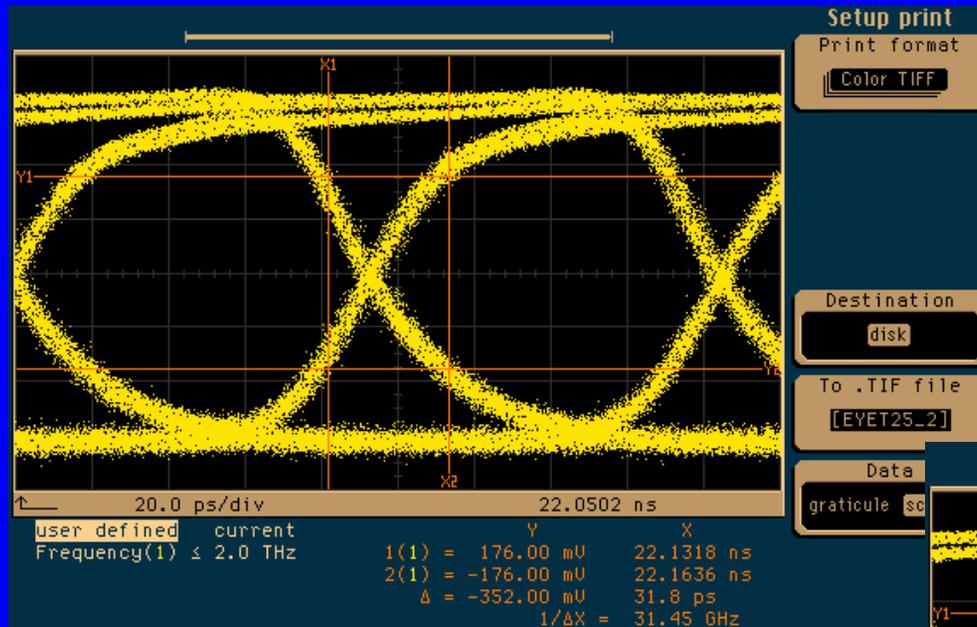
- For jitter reduction need fully differential logic
- CML/ECL-like CMOS Logic
- Less gain than bipolar => need more current
- Supply voltage: 1.2V vs. 3.3V compensates for current increase

Output Drivers

AC-COUPLED 10.3Gb/s OUTPUT DRIVER: 300mV-600mV/side

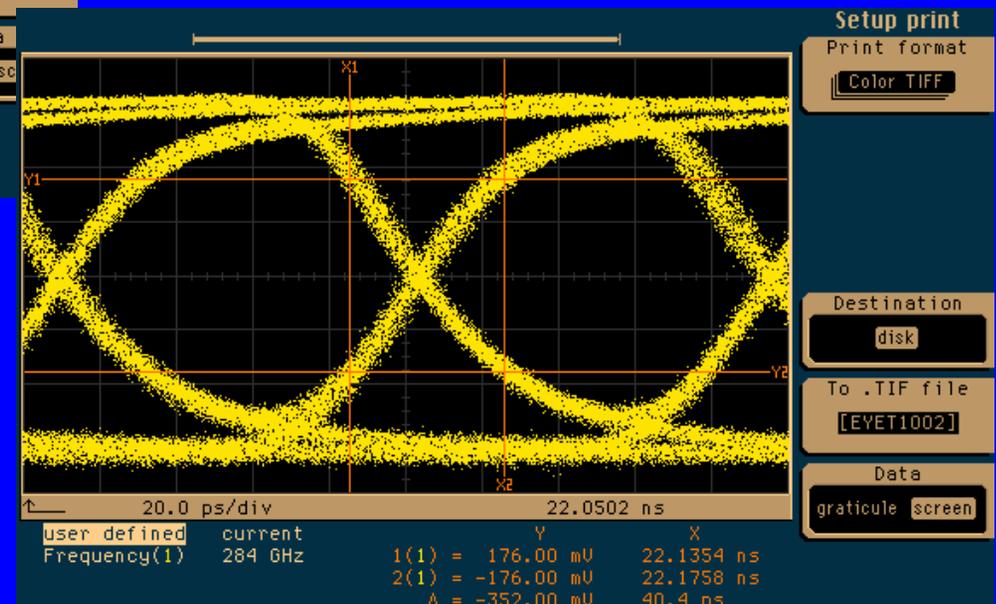


Driver with Variable Swing

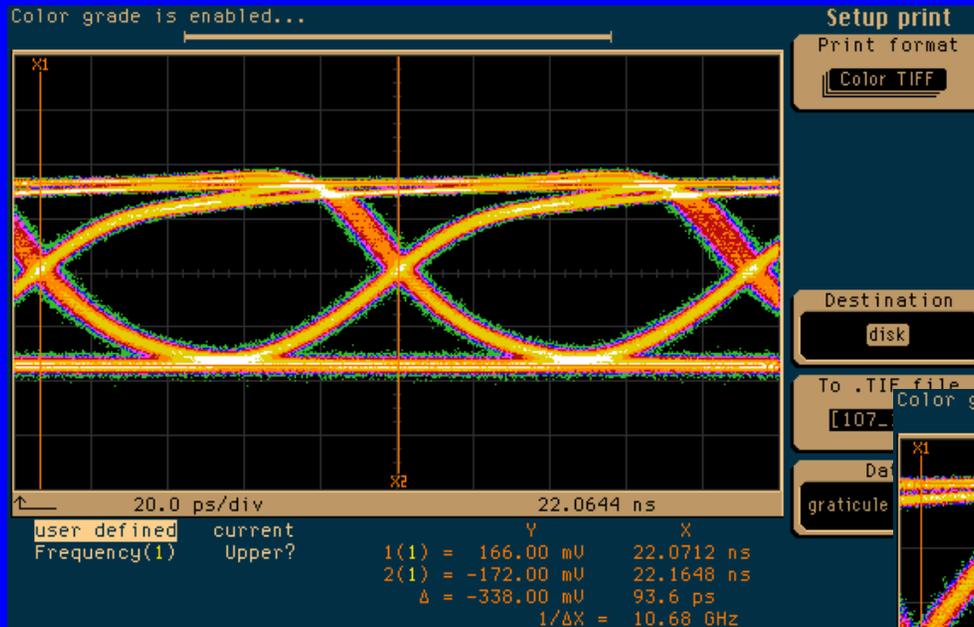


**600mV p-p per side
@ 25 °C**

**600mV p-p per side
@ 100 °C**

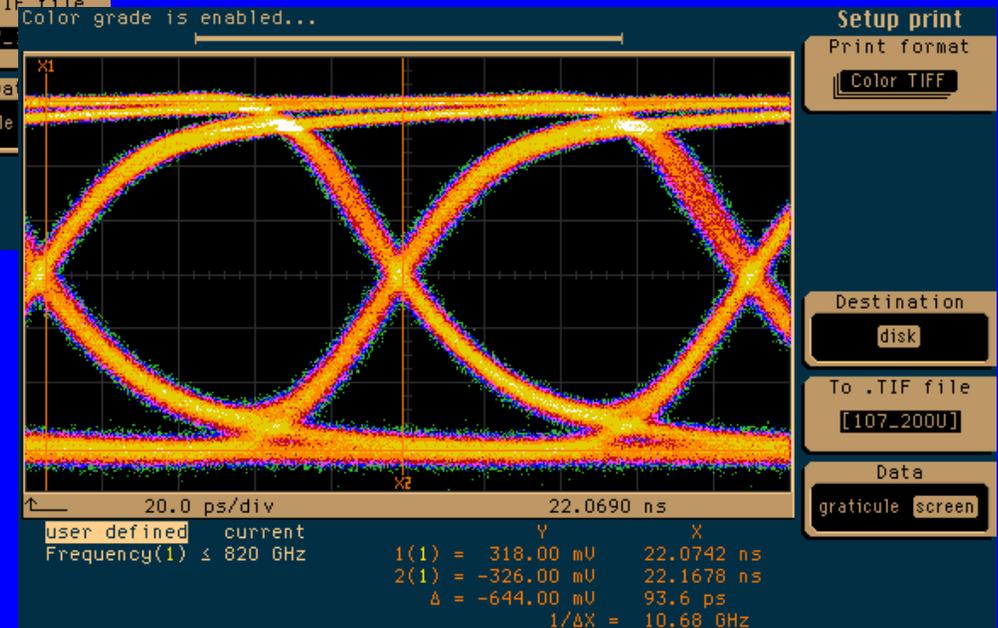


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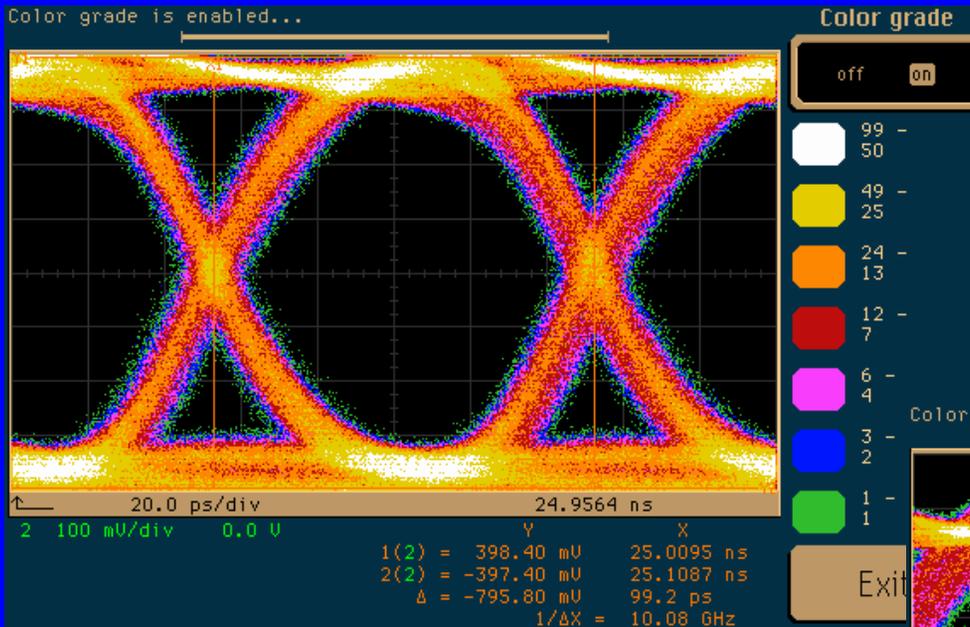


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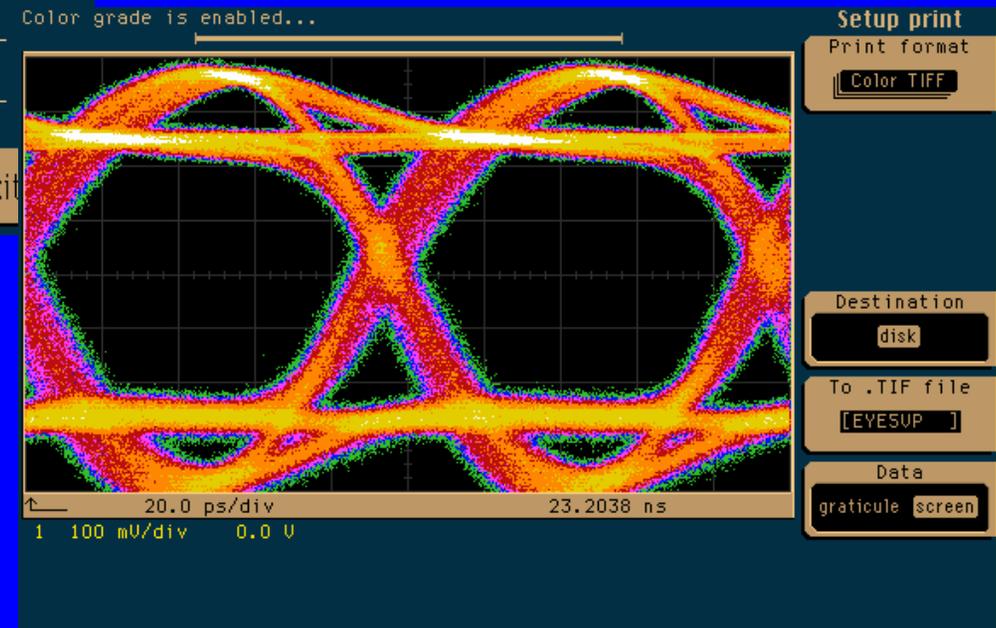


Driver with Peaking Control

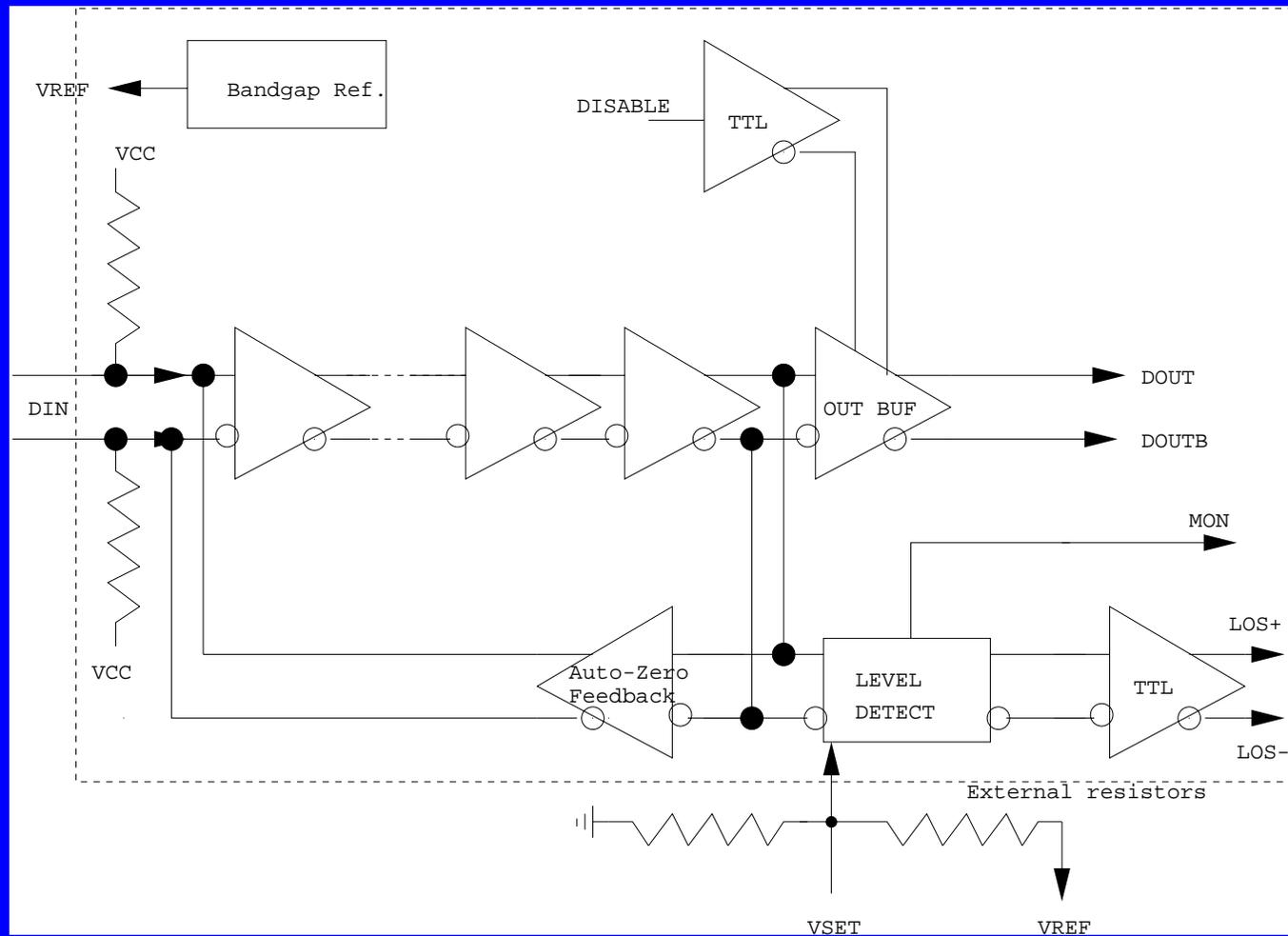


800mV p-p per side
-no peaking

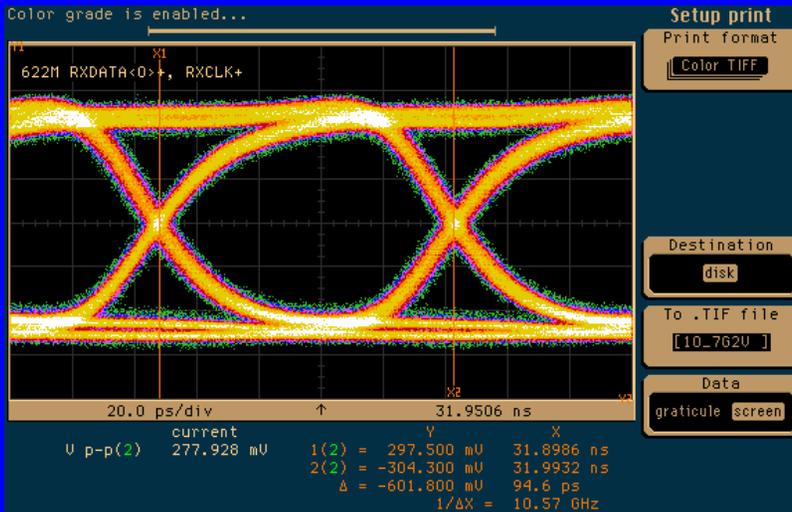
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Limiting Amplifier

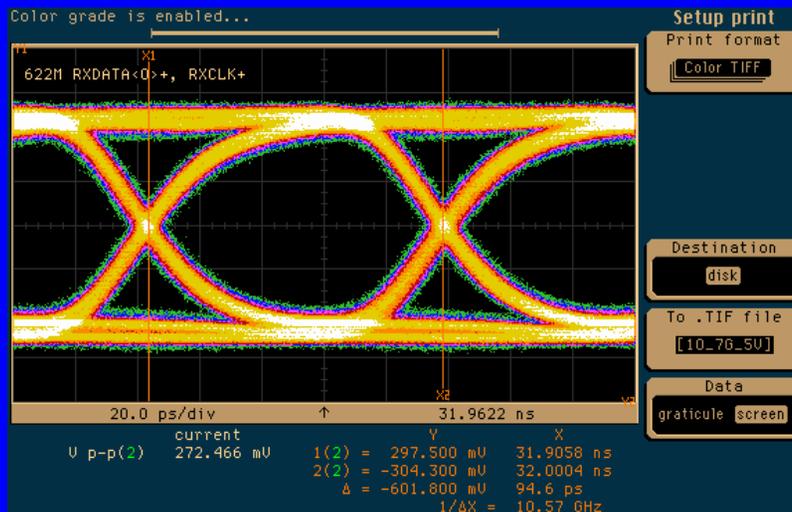
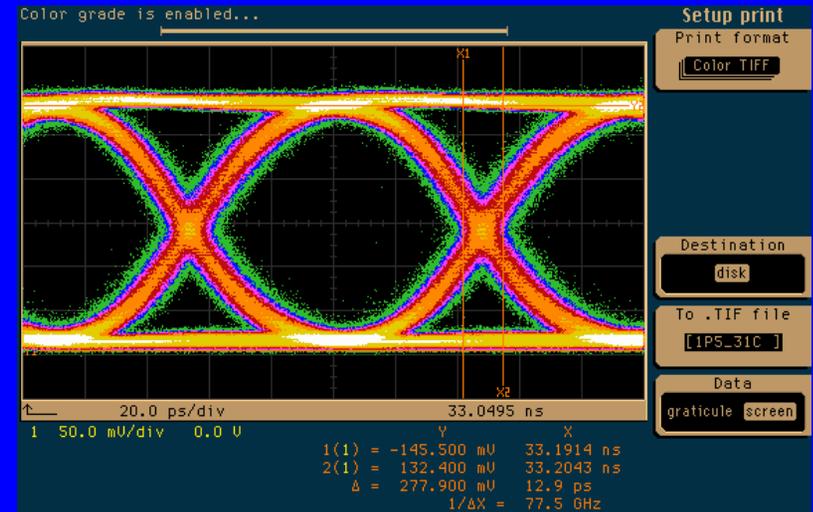


Limiting Amp 10.7Gb/s, 2³¹ Eyes



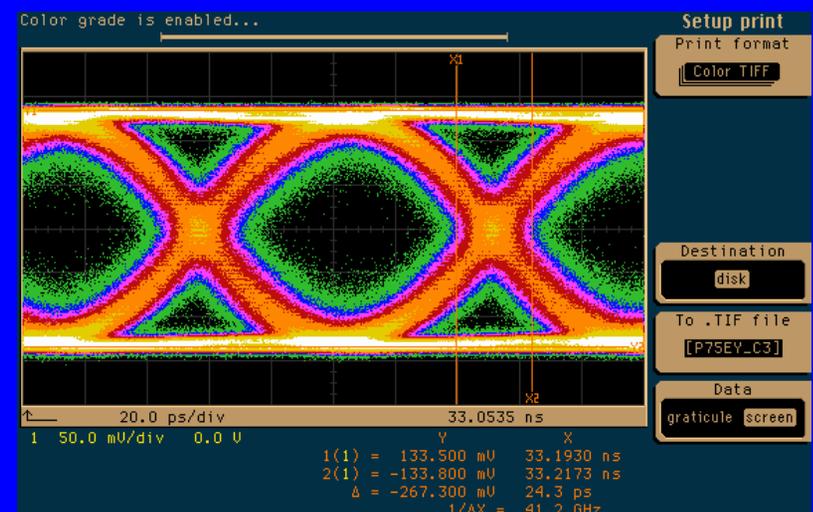
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input

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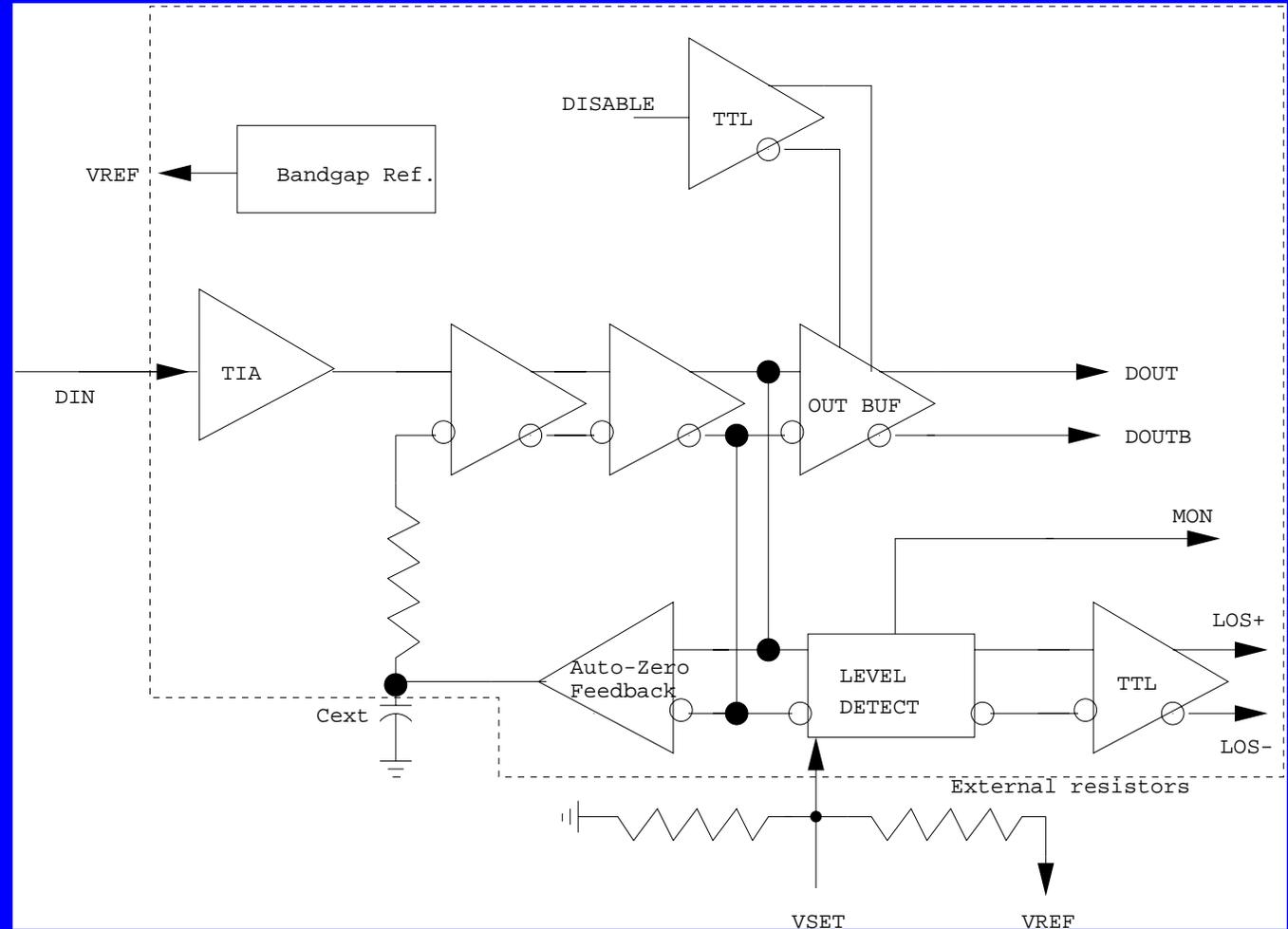
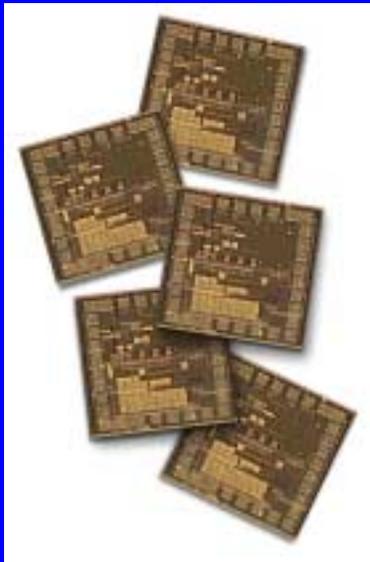
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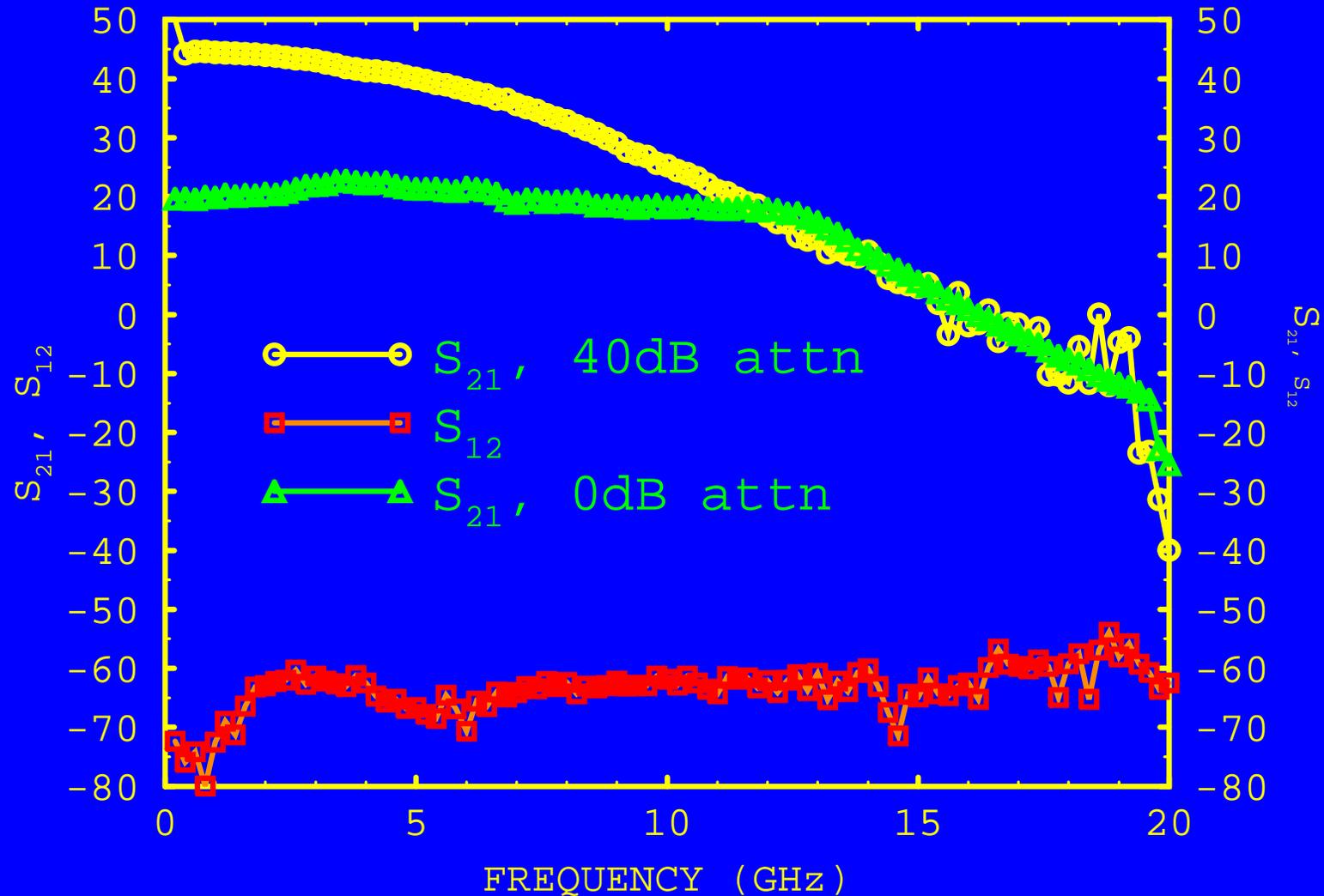


10Gb/s PHY Demo

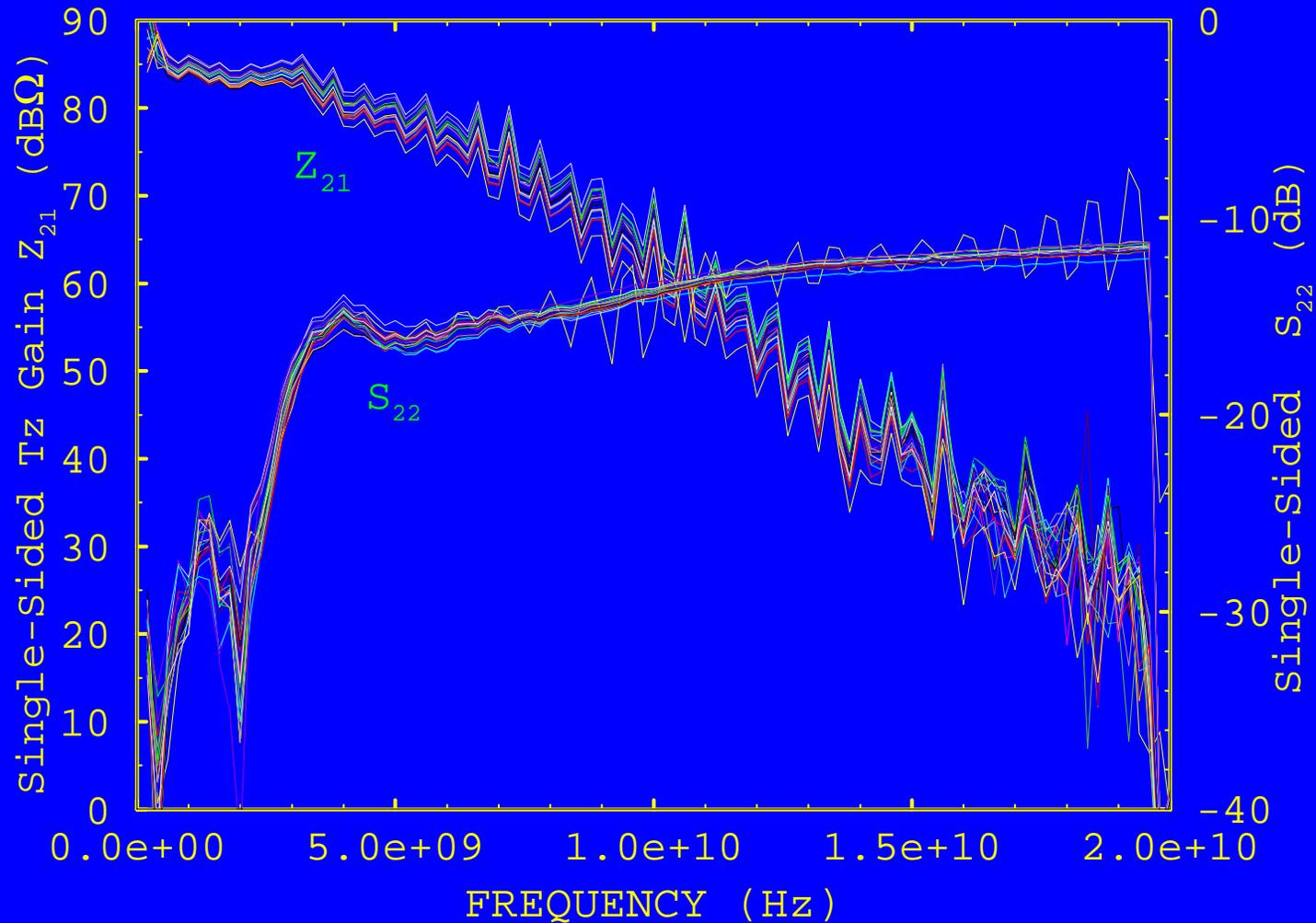
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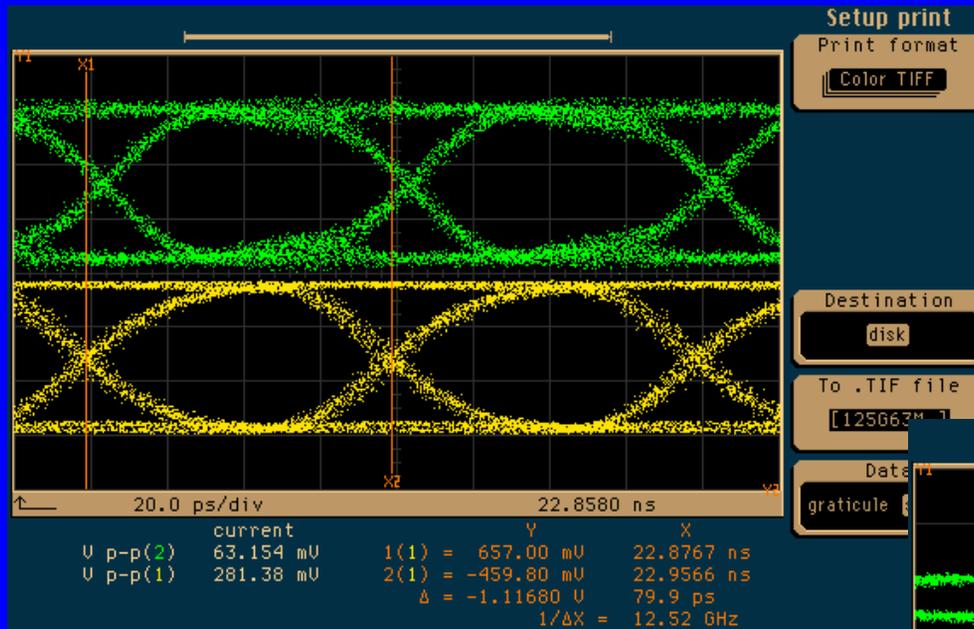
TIALA: Gain and Isolation



TIALA: Tz Gain & Output Match

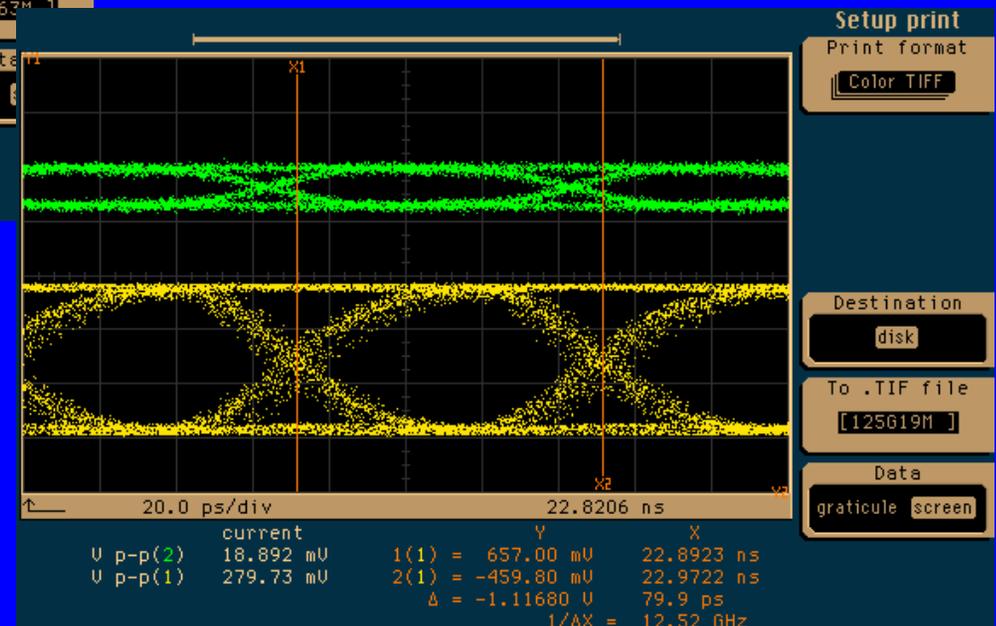


TIALA: 12.5Gb/s Eye Diagrams



Large signal input

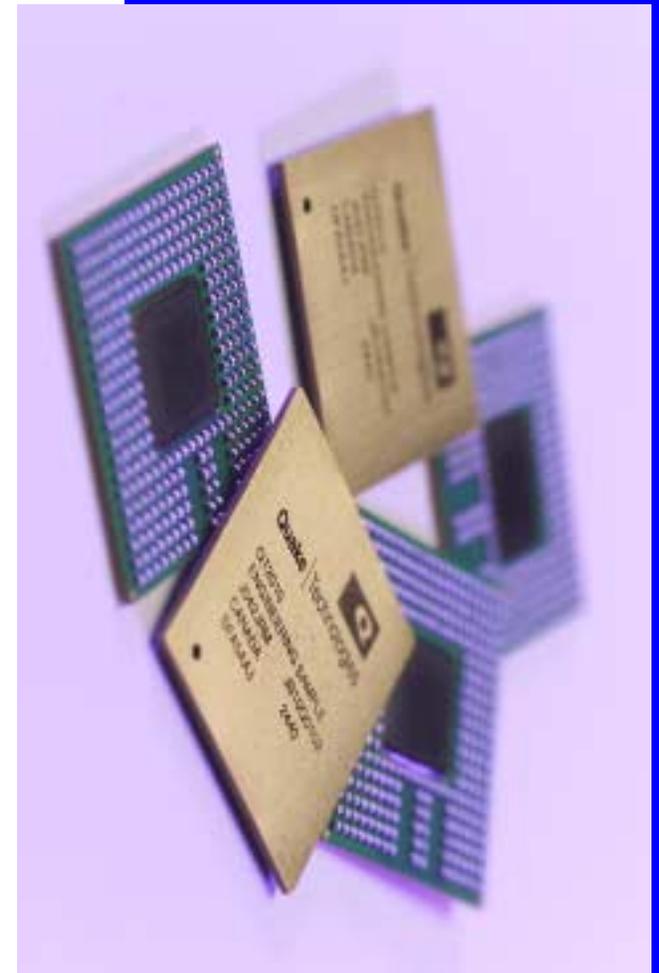
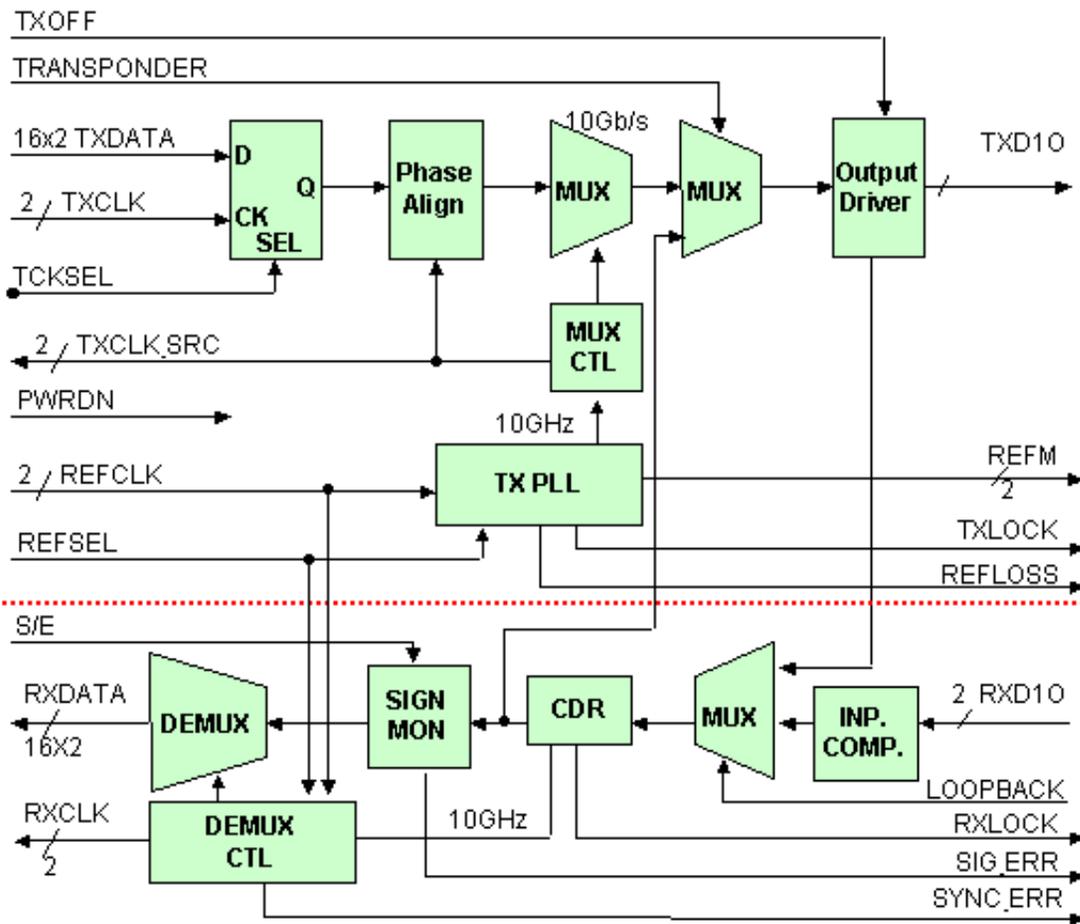
Small signal input



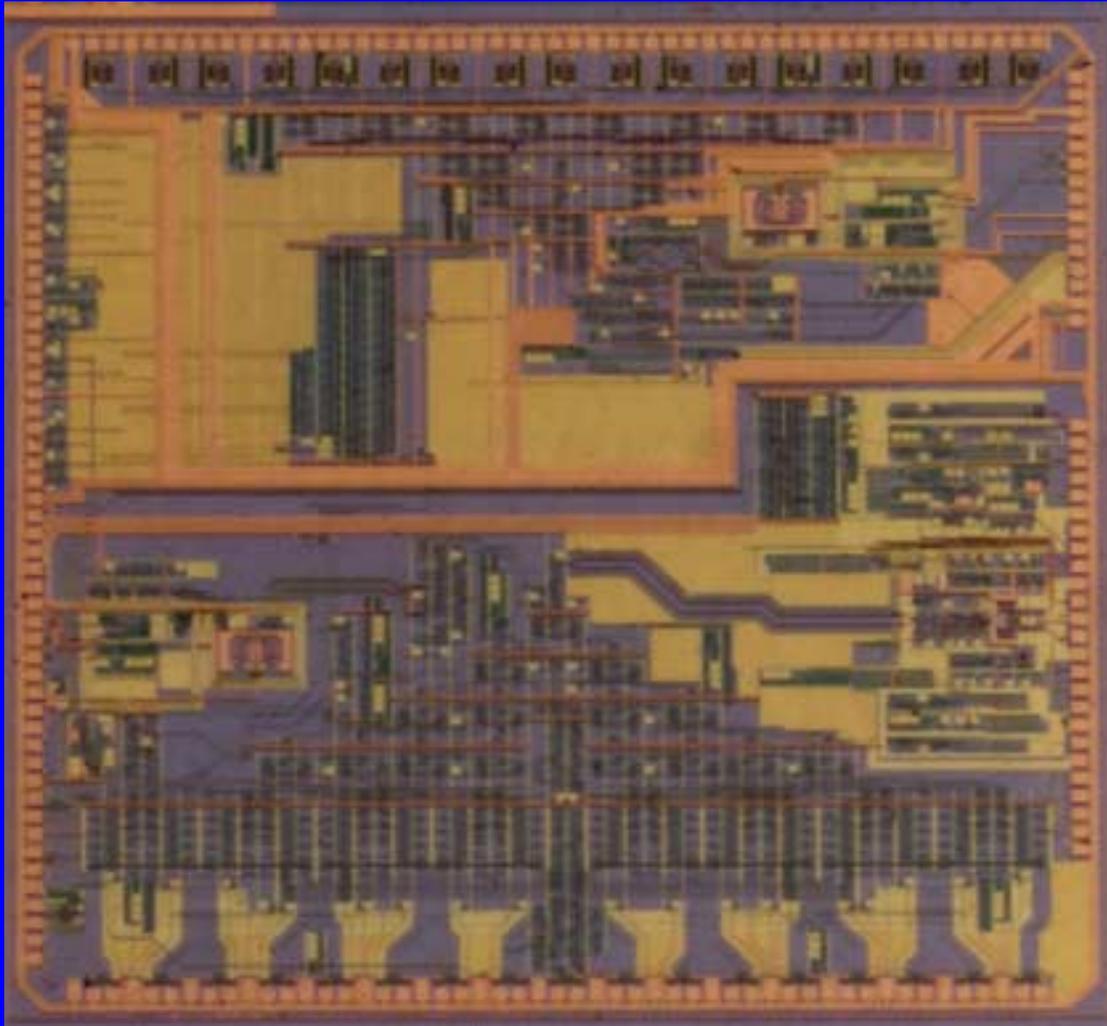
TIALA in 5 Km Fiber Loop



OIF-Compliant 10Gb/s SERDES

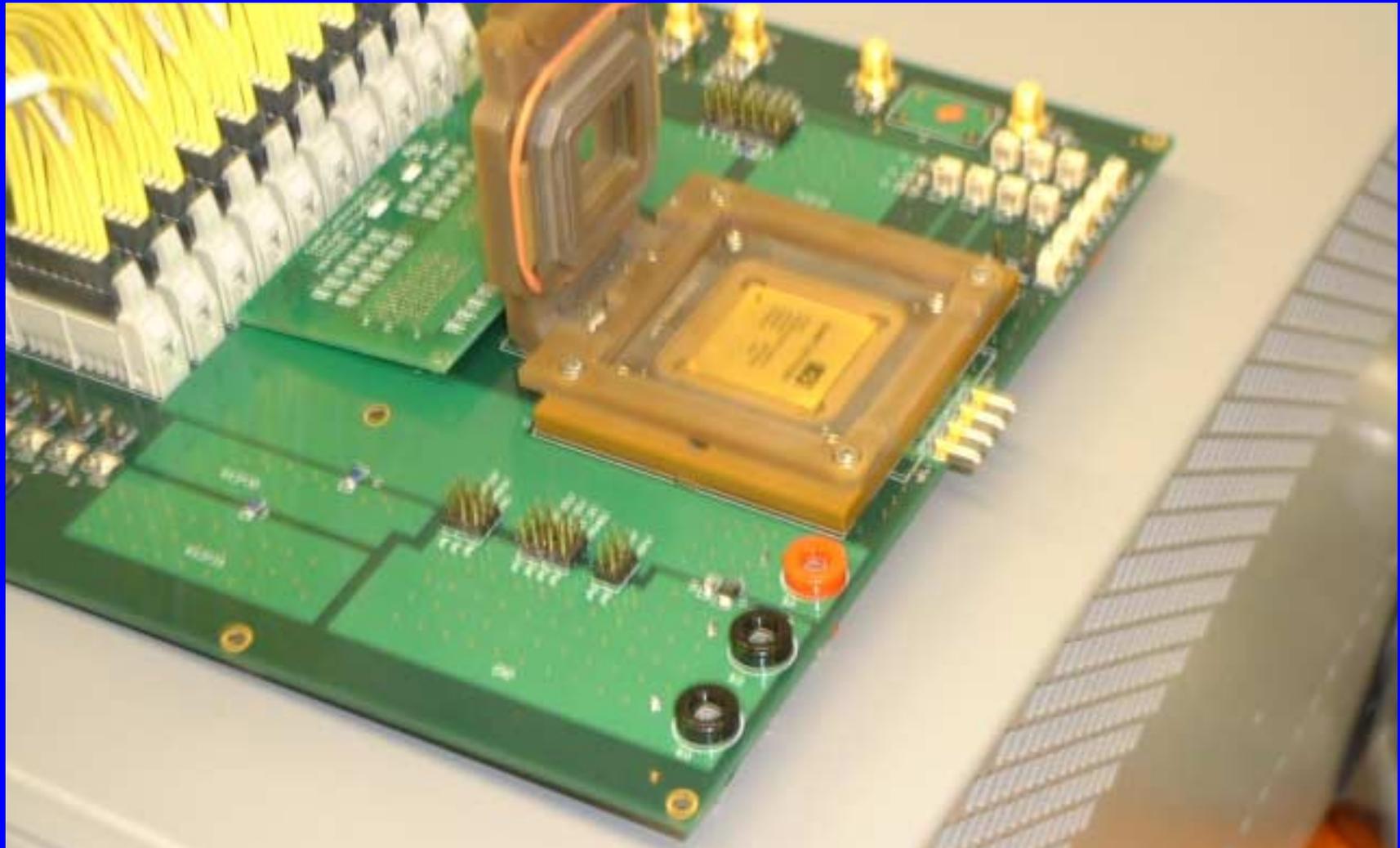


Chip Microphotograph

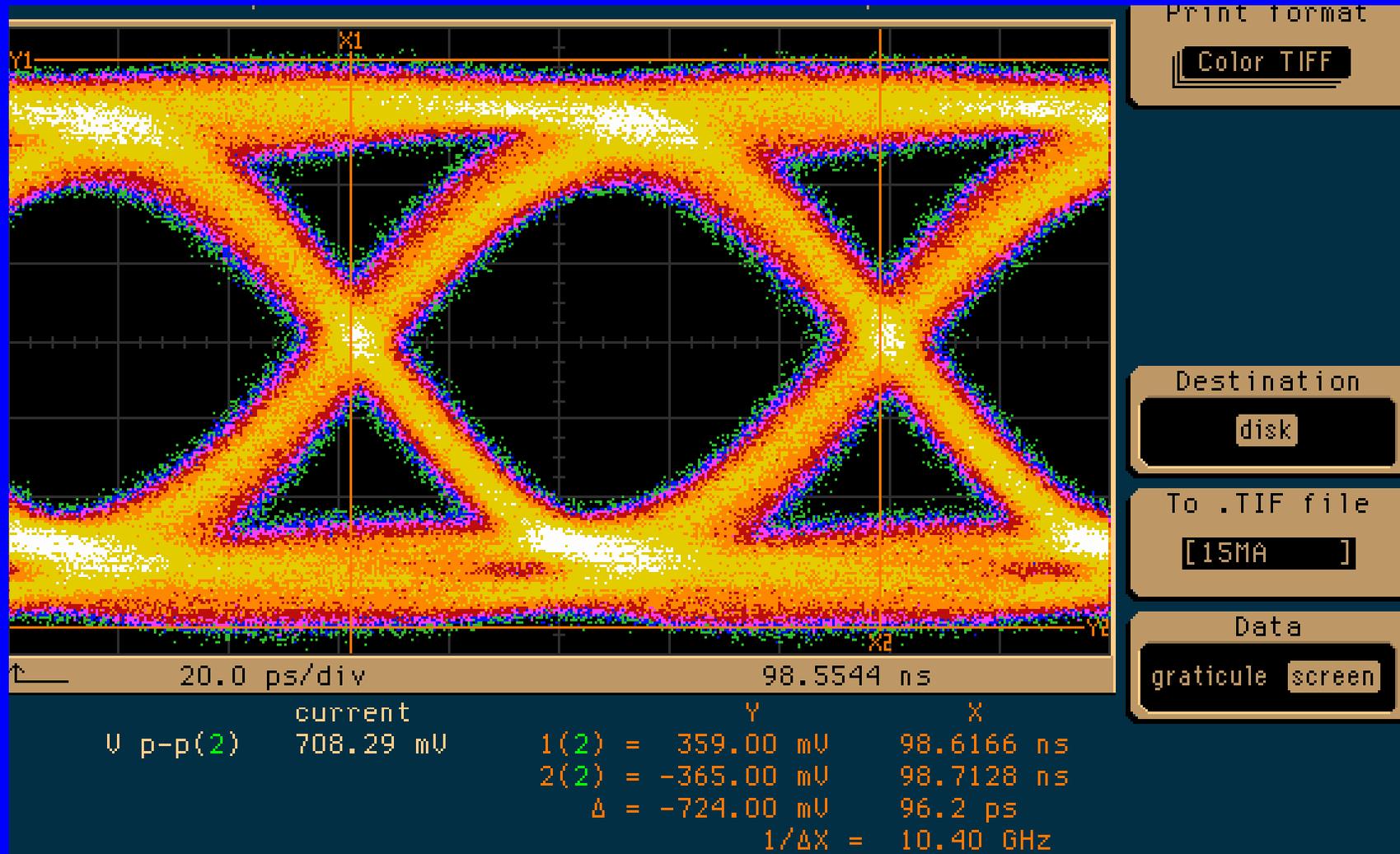


- **3.3V supply**
- **2.1W**
- **CDR**
- **CGU**
- **1:16 DEMUX**
- **16:1 MUX**
- **variable output**
- **loopback**

Evaluation Board



Eval Board Measurements



Summary

- **SiGe BiCMOS and 0.12 μ m CMOS main contenders for 10Gb/s SERDES**
- **SiGe Bi(CMOS) & GaAs (MZ modulator driver) for 10Gb/s EOI functions**
- **Mixed InP/SiGe for 40Gb/s SERDES**
- **InP DHBT and GaAs p-HEMT for 40Gb/s drivers**
- **Demonstrated highly integrated (<2.5W, 3.3V) two-chip SERDES-TIALA solution.**

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