

Ch. 6 EMI Filter Design

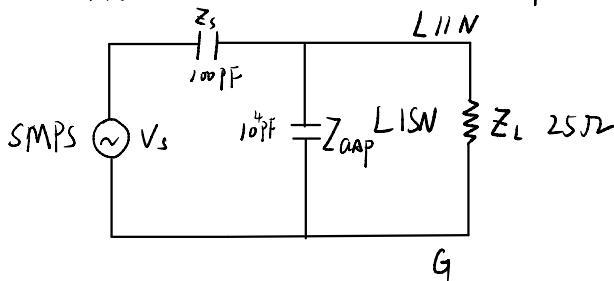
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3. A common-mode (CM) filter is needed to suppress conducted noise emission from a switched mode power supply (SMPS). The equivalent CM noise source impedance of the SMPS can be modelled with a capacitance of 100 pF. As the conducted noise emission will be measured through a line impedance stabilization network LISN, the noise termination impedance can be modelled with a 25 Ω resistance. Design a second-order CM filter with a 2 mH CM inductor (self-resonant frequency 300 kHz) and two 5000 pF capacitors (self-resonant frequency 5 MHz).

Note: Use the impedance graph for your calculation and tie it to your answer booklet with the string.

- (a) Estimate the filter attenuation at 100 kHz, 1 MHz and 10 MHz with the two capacitors added. (6 Marks)
- (b) Repeat part (a) with both the CM inductor and the two capacitors added. (10 Marks)
- (c) Draw the final CM filter circuit with the noise source impedance and noise termination impedance clearly indicated. (4 Marks)

(a) The circuit with the two capacitors added is



$$Z_s = \frac{1}{j\omega C_s} \text{, where } C_s = 100 \text{ pF, } Z_L = 25 \Omega$$

$Z_p = Z_s // Z_L$ and plot Z_p on the impedance graph.

$Z_{cap} = 10^4 \text{ pF}$, with a SRF = 5 MHz

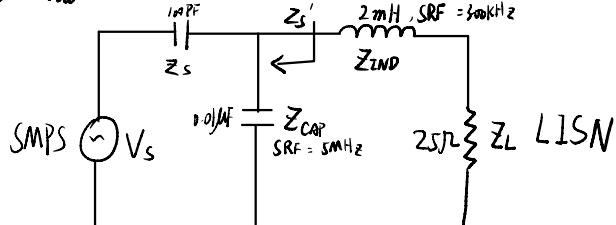
plot Z_{cap} on the same impedance graph.

Attenuation occurs when $Z_{cap} < Z_p$

From the impedance graph, we get that

Freq.	Attenuation due to Cap
100 kHz	0 dB
1 MHz	$28 - 24 = 4 \text{ dB}$
10 MHz	$28 - 15 = 13 \text{ dB}$

(b) Add the CM inductor towards the LISN because $Z_{LISN} < Z_s$ in the frequency range of interest.



$$Z_s' = Z_s \parallel Z_{CAP}$$

$Z_{sum} = Z_s' + Z_L$, plot Z_{sum} on the impedance graph

plot Z_{IND} on the same impedance graph

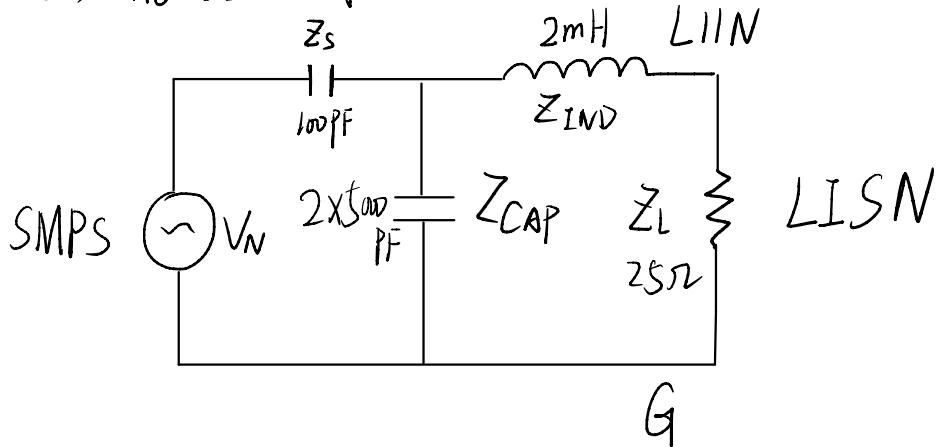
Attenuation occurs when $Z_{IND} > Z_{sum}$

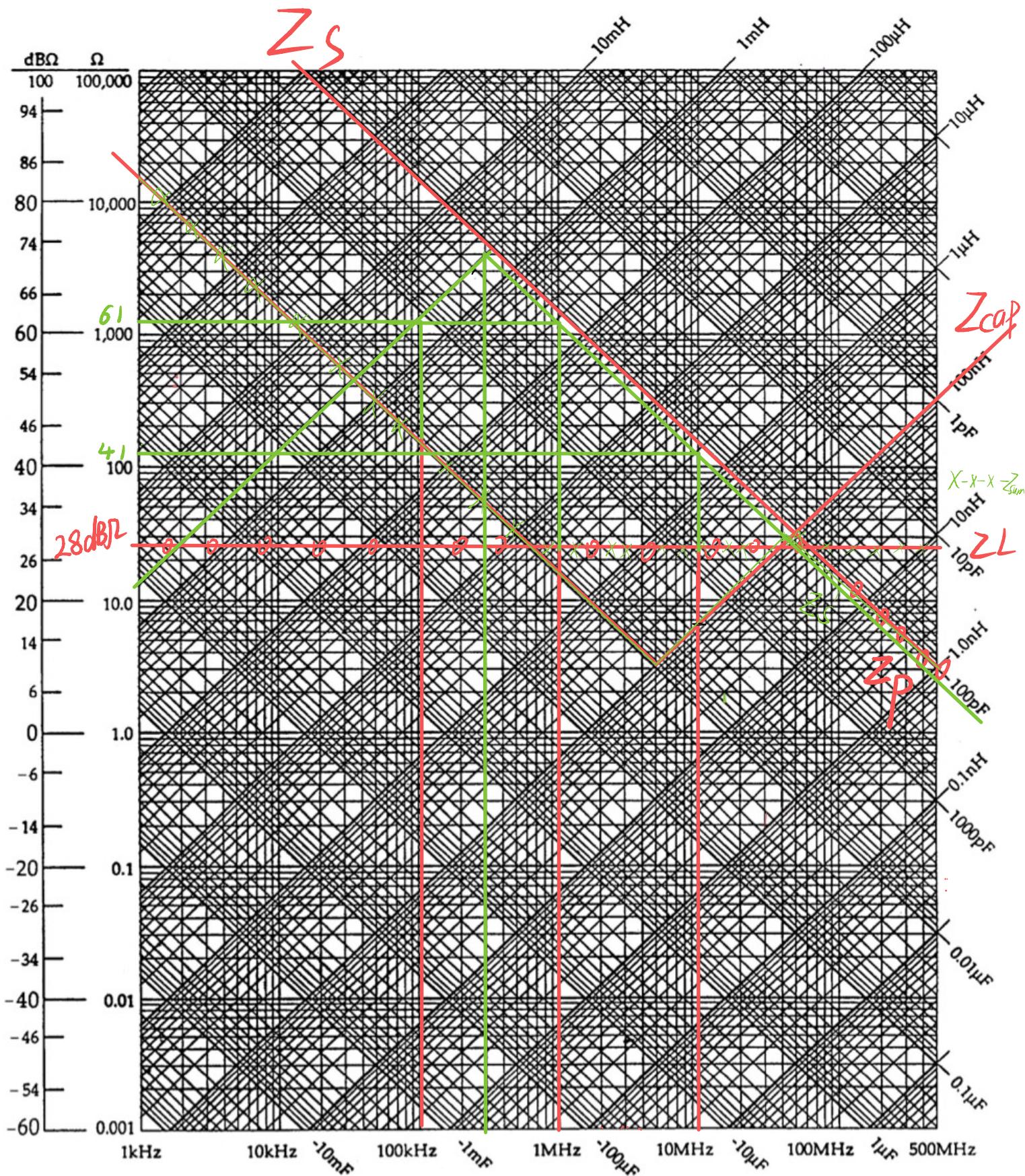
Freq	Attenuation due to inductor
100kHz	61 - 28 = 33 dB
1 MHz	61 - 28 = 33 dB
10 MHz	41 - 28 = 13 dB

Therefore, the total attenuation

Freq	A _{cap}	A _{IND}	A _{Total}
100kHz	0	33	33
1 MHz	4	33	37
10 MHz	13	13	26

(c) Hence, the final CM filter circuit is





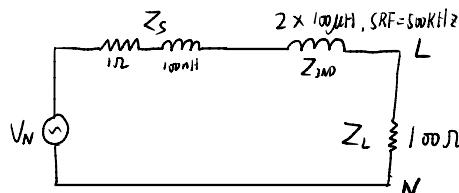
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- (b) A differential-mode (DM) filter is needed between an inverter system and the power grid to block the conducted noise emission generated by the inverter system. The equivalent DM noise source impedance of the inverter system can be modelled as a resistance of $1\ \Omega$ in series with an inductance of 100 nH . The impedance looking into the power grid can be modelled as a $100\ \Omega$ resistance. Design the DM filter with two $100\ \mu\text{H}$ inductors (self-resonant frequency = 500 kHz) and a $1\ \mu\text{F}$ capacitor (self-resonant frequency = 1 MHz). Use the impedance graphs provided, estimate the filter attenuation at 100 kHz and 10 MHz .

(10 Marks)

Note: After completing your calculation on the impedance graph, please tie it to your answer booklet with the string provided.

Add DM inductors first, the circuit is



$$Z_S = R_S + j\omega \times L_S, \text{ where } L_S = 100\text{nH}, R_S = 1\Omega$$

$Z_{sum} = Z_S + Z_L$, $Z_L = 100\Omega$, and plot Z_{sum} on the impedance graph.

plot Z_{IND} ($200\mu\text{H}$, SRF = 500kHz) on the same graph.

Attenuation occurs when $Z_{IND} > Z_{sum}$.

From the impedance graph,

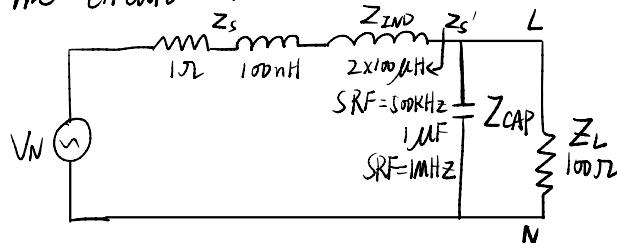
Freq. Attenuation due to Inductor

100 kHz $40 - 40 = 0\text{ dB}$

10 MHz 0

Then adding the shunt capacitor towards the Z_L because $Z_L > Z_S$ in the frequency range of interest.

The circuit now becomes:



$$Z'_S = Z_S + Z_{IND}$$

$Z_P = Z'_S \parallel Z_L$, plot Z_P on the impedance graph

Plot Z_{CAP} (1μF , SRF = 1MHz) on the same impedance graph.

Attenuation occurs when $Z_{CAP} < Z_P$

Freq. Attenuation due to capacitor

100 kHz $40 - 3 = 37\text{ dB}$

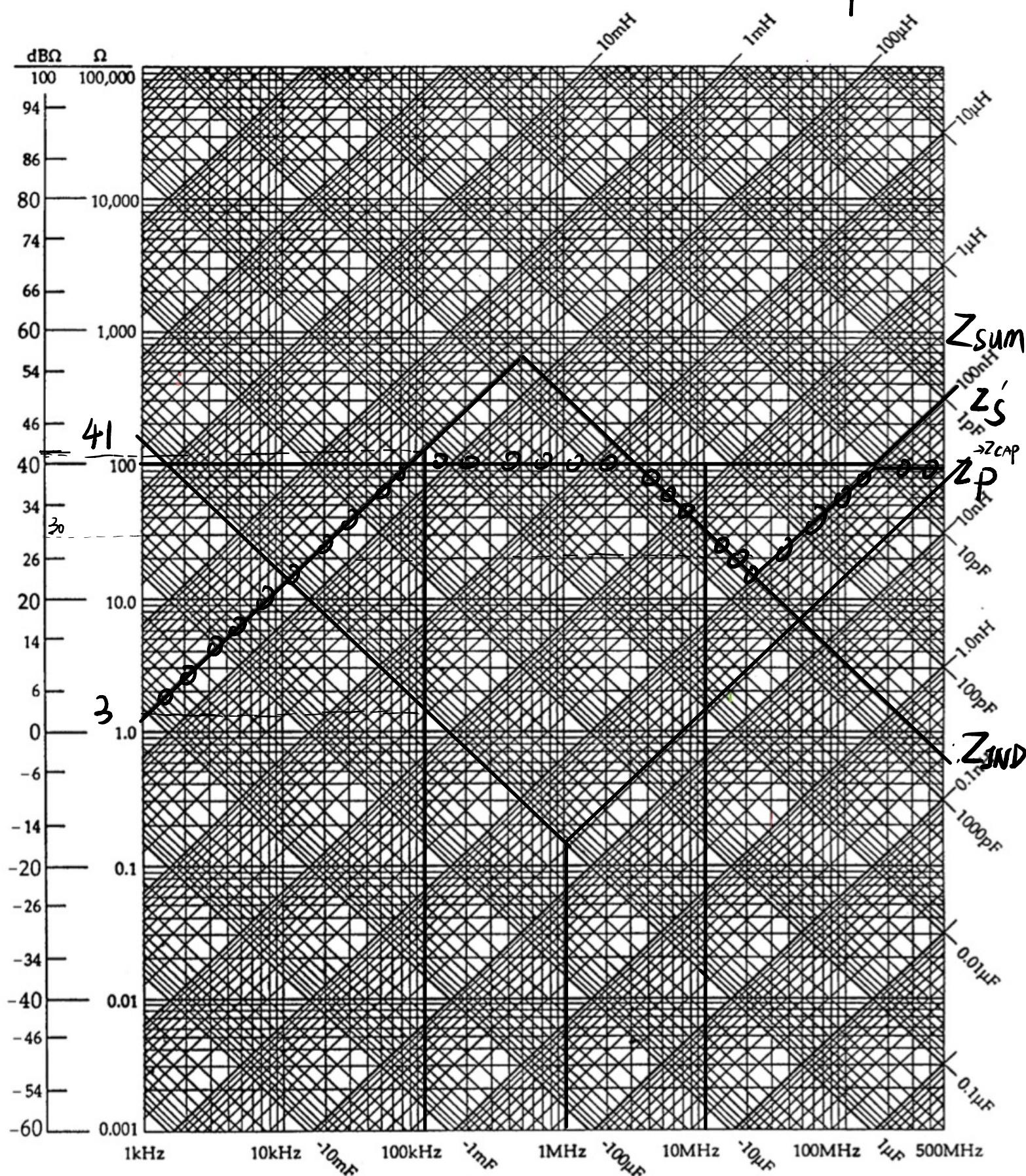
10 MHz $30 - 3 = 27\text{ dB}$

Hence, the total attenuation is

Freq.	A_{IND}	A_{Cap}	A_{total}
100 kHz	1	37	38
10 MHz	0	27	27

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3. Figure 5 shows a second-order common-mode (CM) filter to be installed in a switched mode power supply (SMPS) for noise suppression. The SMPS is powered through a line impedance stabilization network (LISN). The equivalent CM noise source impedance of the SMPS can be modelled as a capacitor of 5000 pF. The common-mode inductor (L_{CM}) has a self-resonant frequency (SRF) of 200 kHz and each capacitor (C_Y) has a SRF of 5 MHz.

- (a) With L_{CM} alone and without the two C_Y , what is the estimated noise attenuation at 100 kHz, 1 MHz and 10 MHz? (10 Marks)
- (b) With all the components added (L_{CM} and two C_Y), what is the estimated noise attenuation at 100 kHz, 1 MHz and 10 MHz? (6 Marks)
- (c) Comment on the noise attenuations obtained in parts (a) and (b). (4 Marks)

Note: Use the impedance graph to estimate the filter attenuation and attach it with the answer booklet.

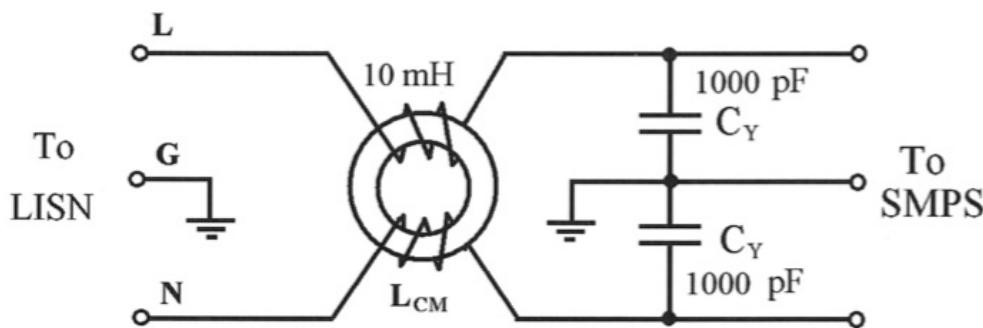
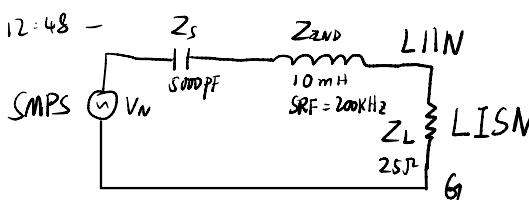


Figure 5

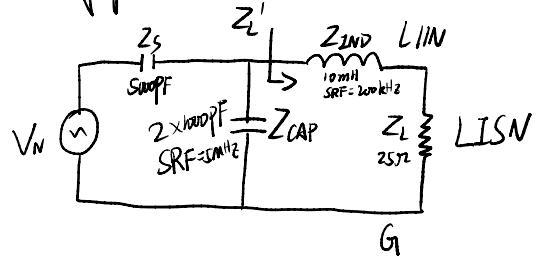
(a) With L_{CM} only, the circuit is



$Z_{sum} = Z_s + Z_L$, plot Z_{sum} on the impedance graph
plot Z_{IND} (10 mH, SRF = 200 kHz) on the same graph.

freq	Attenuation due to Inductor
100kHz	$76 - 49 = 27 \text{ dB}$
1MHz	$69 - 29 = 40 \text{ dB}$
10MHz	$49 - 28 = 21 \text{ dB}$

(b) with all the components added, the two shunt capacitors face towards the source from the figure 5. and circuit is



$$Z_S = \frac{1}{j\omega C_S}, \text{ where } C_S = 5000\text{pF}$$

$$Z'_L = Z_{2ND} + Z_L,$$

$$Z_p = Z_S \parallel Z'_L, \text{ plot } Z_p \text{ on the impedance graph}$$

plot Z_{CAP} on the same graph.

Attenuation occurs when $Z_{CAP} < Z_p$

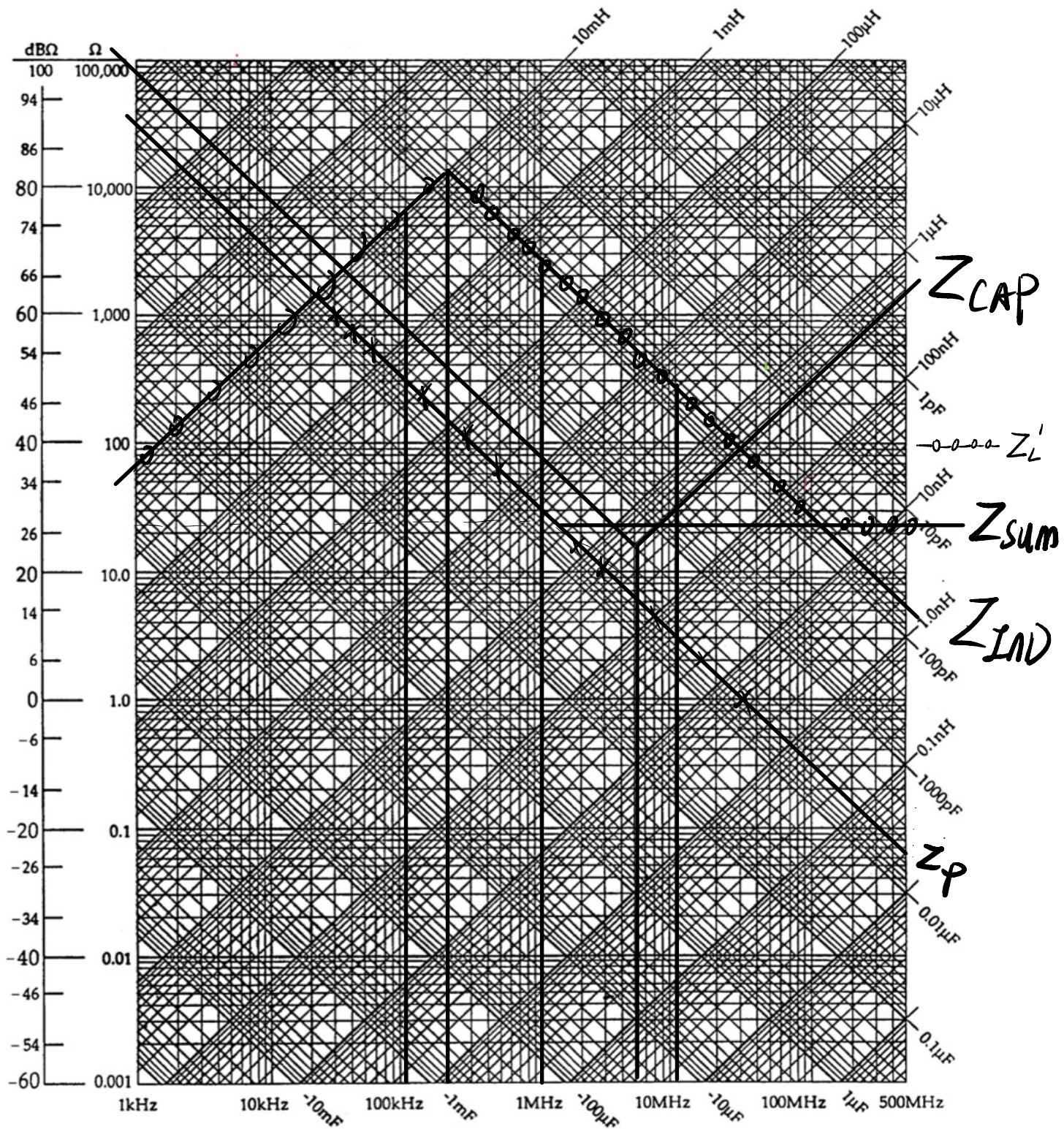
freq	attenuation due to Cap
100 KHz	0 dB
1 MHz	0 dB
10 MHz	0 dB

freq	A _{CAP}	A _{IND}	A _{Total}
100 kHz	0 dB	27 dB	27 dB
1 MHz	0 dB	40 dB	40 dB
10 MHz	0 dB	21 dB	21 dB

(c)

According to (a) and (b), we know that the shunt capacitor C_Y (1000pF) is too small to provide any attenuations. All the attenuations are provided by the series inductor.

We can further choose the shunt capacitors $C_Y > \frac{1}{2}$ the capacitor of the noise source impedance



2. Figure 1 shows a noisy circuit connected to a victim circuit. The noisy circuit can be modelled by a 2 MHz noise source and an equivalent source resistance of $1\text{ k}\Omega$. The victim circuit can be represented by a $10\text{ k}\Omega$ resistance. A shunt capacitor is needed to attenuate the 2 MHz noise signal by at least 20 dB to ensure satisfactory operation of the victim circuit.

- (a) Table 2 provides three readily available capacitors in the market for the filter design. Select the capacitor that meets the attenuation requirement. Justify your answer with the estimation of filter attenuation using the impedance graph provided. Please show your working on the impedance graph and attach it to your answer booklet.

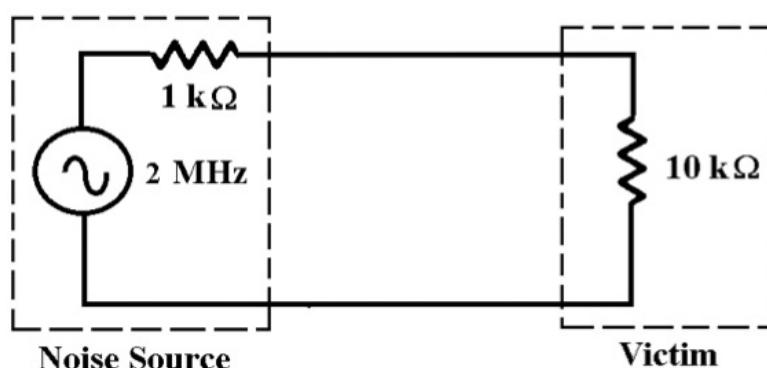
(14 Marks)

- (b) Based on the filter attenuation obtained from part (a), is larger capacitor value always a better choice for filter design? Justify your answer with reason.

(3 Marks)

- (c) If the victim circuit's resistance is changed to $10\text{ }\Omega$, will you still expect at least 20 dB attenuation for the capacitor selected in part (a)? Justify your answer with explanation. No working on the impedance graph is needed.

(3 Marks)

**Figure 1****Table 2**

Capacitor	Self-Resonant Frequency (SRF)
$2\text{ }\mu\text{F}$	10 kHz
$0.2\text{ }\mu\text{F}$	100 kHz
$0.02\mu\text{F}$	1 MHz

$$(a) Z_s = 1K\Omega = 60 \text{ dB}\Omega$$

$$Z_L = 10K\Omega = 80 \text{ dB}\Omega$$

$$Z_p = Z_L / Z_s = \frac{10}{1} = 10 \text{ dB}\Omega$$

Plot all of the three capacitors on the same graph.

Attenuation occurs when $Z_{\text{CAP}} < Z_p$.

From the Impedance graph.

Capacitor	Attenuation @ 2 MHz
2 μF	0 dB
0.2 μF	$59 - 44 = 15 \text{ dB}$
0.02 μF	$59 - 24 = 35 \text{ dB} > 20 \text{ dB}$

Hence, we select the capacitor with capacitance 0.02 μF.

(b) Large capacitor value doesn't always a better choice.

Like the result in part (a), 2 μF capacitor provides 0 dB attenuation at 2 MHz, but 0.02 μF capacitor can provide 35 dB attenuation. Because 0.02 μF capacitor has higher self-resonant frequency (1 MHz), which promises this capacitor to produce attenuation at a wide range of frequency.

(c) If $Z_L = 10\Omega$, it means that $Z_p = 10\Omega = 20 \text{ dB}\Omega$.

All of these capacitors provided have minimum impedance at their SRF, which is approximately 18 dBΩ, it is very close to Z_p , hence it's impossible to provide attenuation more than 2 dB.

