

The LVA amplifier and its internal impedance Special situation with capacitive load

*The relating applications:
Onboard supply simulation for
automotive and avionic testing*

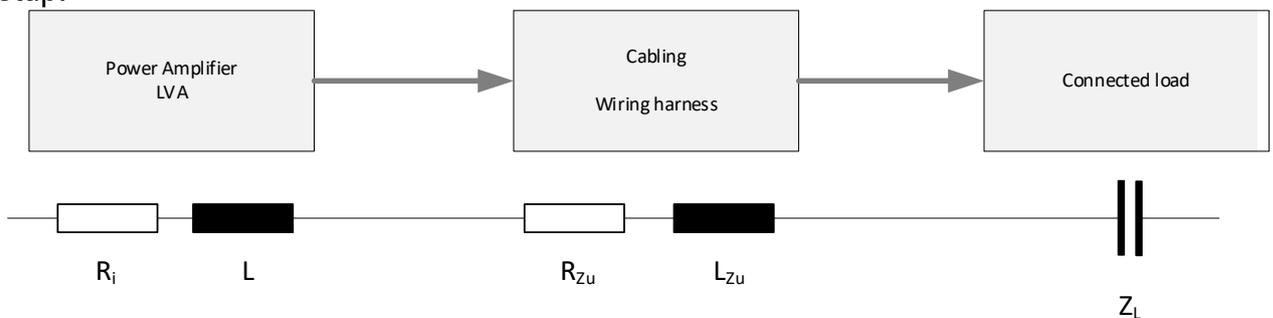
The LVA amplifier has a programmable internal impedance as an optional feature. The characteristic of the internal LVA impedance R_i is mainly real and can be adjusted between 0 and 200 mOhm.

A small additional inductive component Z can be measured additionally. This apparent impedance Z is caused due to the internal construction and wiring of the amplifier and its transfer function.

Typical values of Z of the different amplifier types are:

LVA 1000	4μH
LVA 2500	1.4μH
LVA 5000	0.85μH
LVA 7500	0.69μH

If a capacitive load is connected to the amplifiers output the test setup shows a circuit diagram displaying a complex resistance situation. The below circuit shows the test setup:



When supplying a complex resistance circuit with a voltage with varying frequency it is easily possible to reach resonance condition for the complex circuit.

To simulate and calculate resonance points the following formulas are used:

The internal impedance of the amplifier can be calculated with the following formula:

$$F_1: Z_i(f) := R_i + j * 2 * \pi * f * L$$

The impedance of the wiring between amplifier output and EUT can be calculated with the following formula:

$$F_2: Z_{Zu}(f) := R_{Zu} + j * (2 * \pi * f * L_{Zu})$$

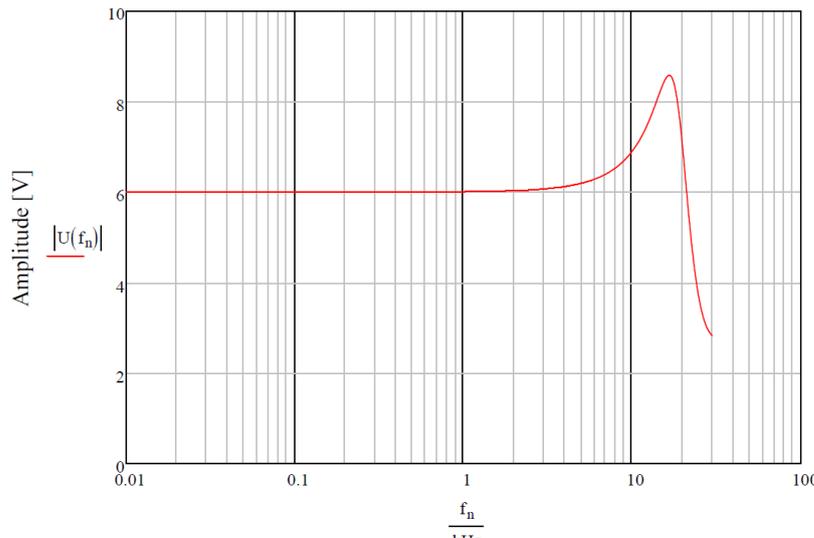
The impedance of the load can be calculated with the following formula:

$$F_3: Z_L(f) := \frac{1}{2 \cdot \pi \cdot f \cdot C}$$

The transfer function of the amplifier can be calculated by:

$$U(f) := U_{Ampl} * \frac{Z_{Zu}(f) + Z_L(f)}{(Z_{Zu}(f) + Z_L(f) + Z_i(f))}$$

CALCULATION EXAMPLE AND DIAGRAM WITH A CAPACITIVE LOAD AT THE LVA 5000 OUTPUT

Adjusted internal impedance value	$R_i := 0.010\Omega$
Amplifiers inductance	$L := 0.85\mu H$
Connected load at the LVA output (capacitive characteristic)	$C := 38\mu F$
Real impedance of the connection wires between LVA and load	$R_{Zu} := 0.10\Omega$
Inductance of the connection wires between LVA and load	$L_{Zu} := 1\mu H$
Voltage setting at the LVA output	$U_{Ampl} := 6V$
<p>The relating functional diagram</p> <p>resonance point between 10kHz and 20kHz</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Voltagecurve</p>  <p style="text-align: center;">Frequency [kHz]</p>