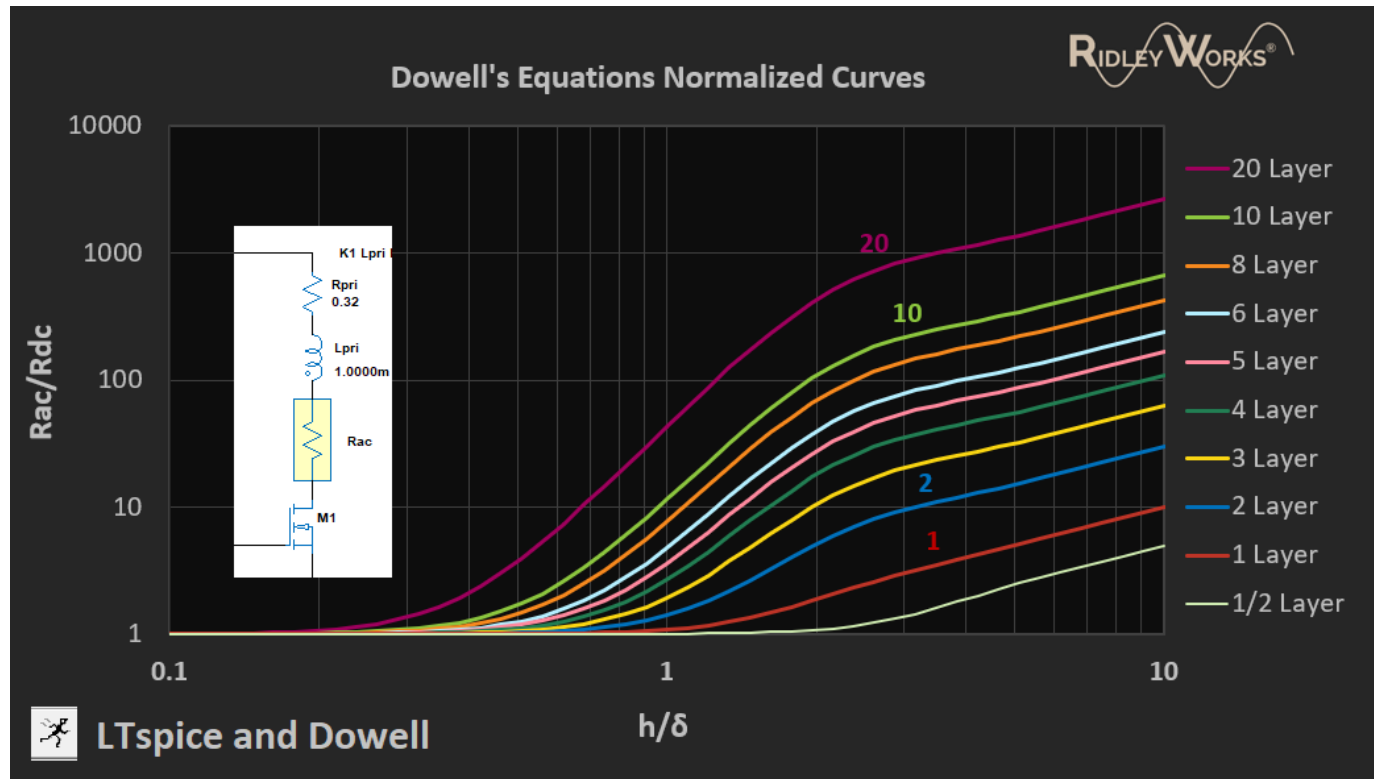


# Magnetics Proximity Loss Models



**Webinar Friday August 21, 2020 10:00 am PCT**

**Dr. Ray Ridley      Ridley Engineering**

Download [magneticmodels.pdf](#)

## Acknowledgements - References

P. L. Dowell, "Effects of eddy currents in transformer windings",

*Proc. of the IEE*, vol. 113, no. 8, pp. 1387-1394, Aug. 1966.

IEEE Transactions on Power Delivery, Vol. 8, No. 1, January 1993.

### TIME DOMAIN MODELING OF EDDY CURRENT EFFECTS FOR TRANSFORMER TRANSIENTS

Francisco de Leon\*

Adam Semlyen

**Nicola Rosano** – 7<sup>th</sup> order RL network

**Dr. Vatche Vorperian** – Fractal Networks

**Art Nace** – Programming automation for LTspice data transfer

**John Beecroft** – technical discussions, testing and encouragement

**Dr. Glenn Skutt** – Dowell's equation (patience in explaining it to me.)

**Dr. Qichen Yang** – algorithms for 5<sup>th</sup> order network solutions

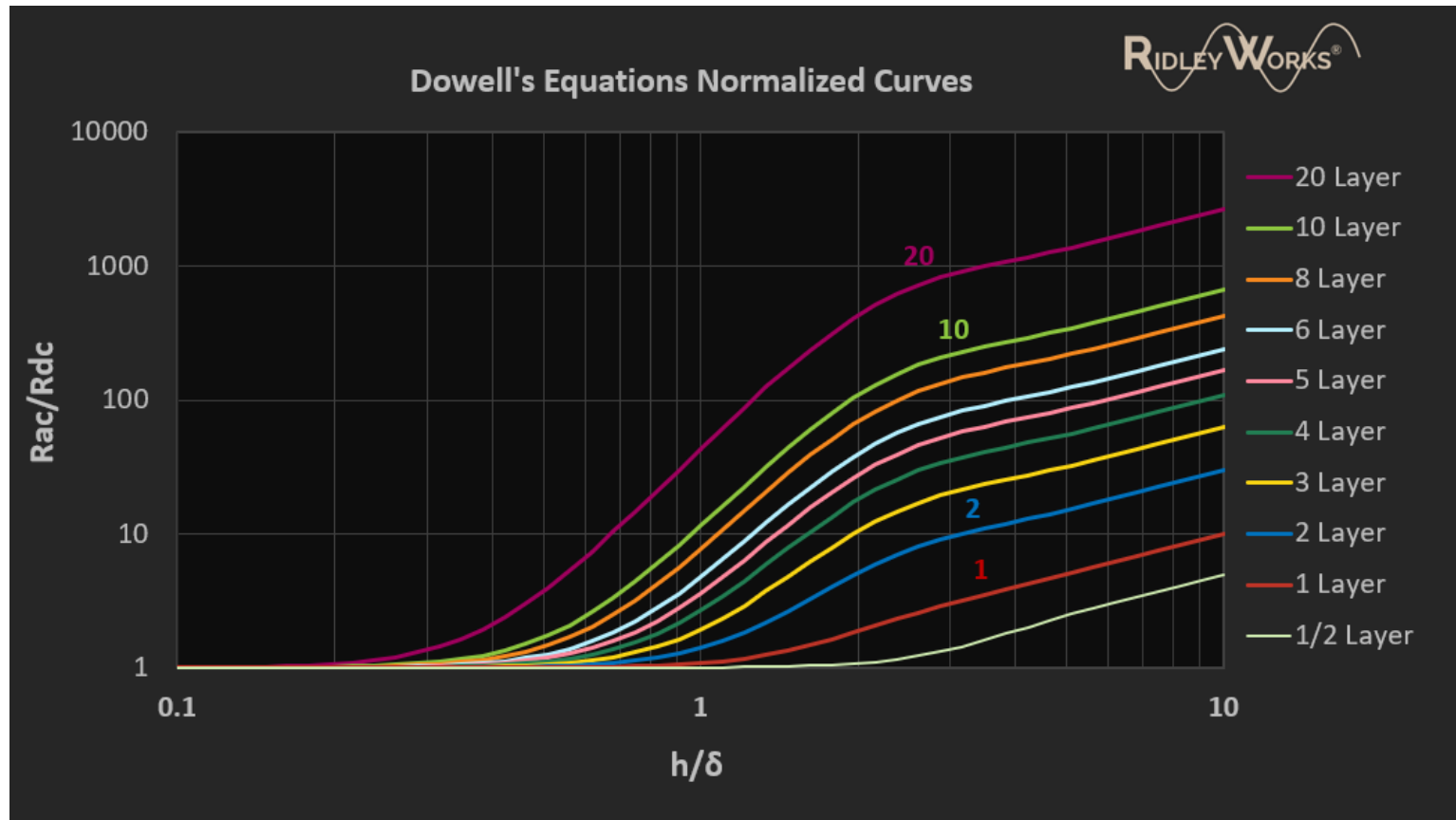
## Dowell's Equations and Beyond

$$\begin{aligned}
 P_d &= b_w \sum_{i=1}^n l_i \frac{1}{h_i \eta_i \sigma} H_i^2 \left[ (1 + \alpha_i^2) G_1(\Delta_i) - 4\alpha_i G_2(\Delta_i) \right] \\
 G_1(\Delta_i) &= \Delta \frac{\sinh 2\Delta + \sin 2\Delta}{\cosh 2\Delta - \cos 2\Delta} \\
 G_2(\Delta_i) &= \Delta \frac{\sinh \Delta \cos \Delta + \cosh \Delta \sin \Delta}{\cosh 2\Delta - \cos 2\Delta} \\
 P_n &= \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^w E(r_{n_i}) H(r_{n_i}) r_{n_i} dz d\phi \\
 &\quad - \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^w E(r_{n_o}) H(r_{n_o}) r_{n_o} dz d\phi \\
 &= 2\pi h P_{k_0} \Delta F_n
 \end{aligned} \tag{28}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 F_n &= \frac{\kappa}{\Psi_0(kr_{n_o}, kr_{n_i})} \left\{ (n-1)^2 \bar{r}_{n_i} \Psi_1(kr_{n_o}, kr_{n_i}) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - n(n-1) [\bar{r}_{n_i} \Psi_1(kr_{n_i}, kr_{n_i}) + \bar{r}_{n_o} \Psi_1(kr_{n_o}, kr_{n_o})] \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + n^2 \bar{r}_{n_o} \Psi_1(kr_{n_i}, kr_{n_o}) \right\}
 \end{aligned} \tag{29}$$

If you are a PhD student –  
go for it – maybe.....

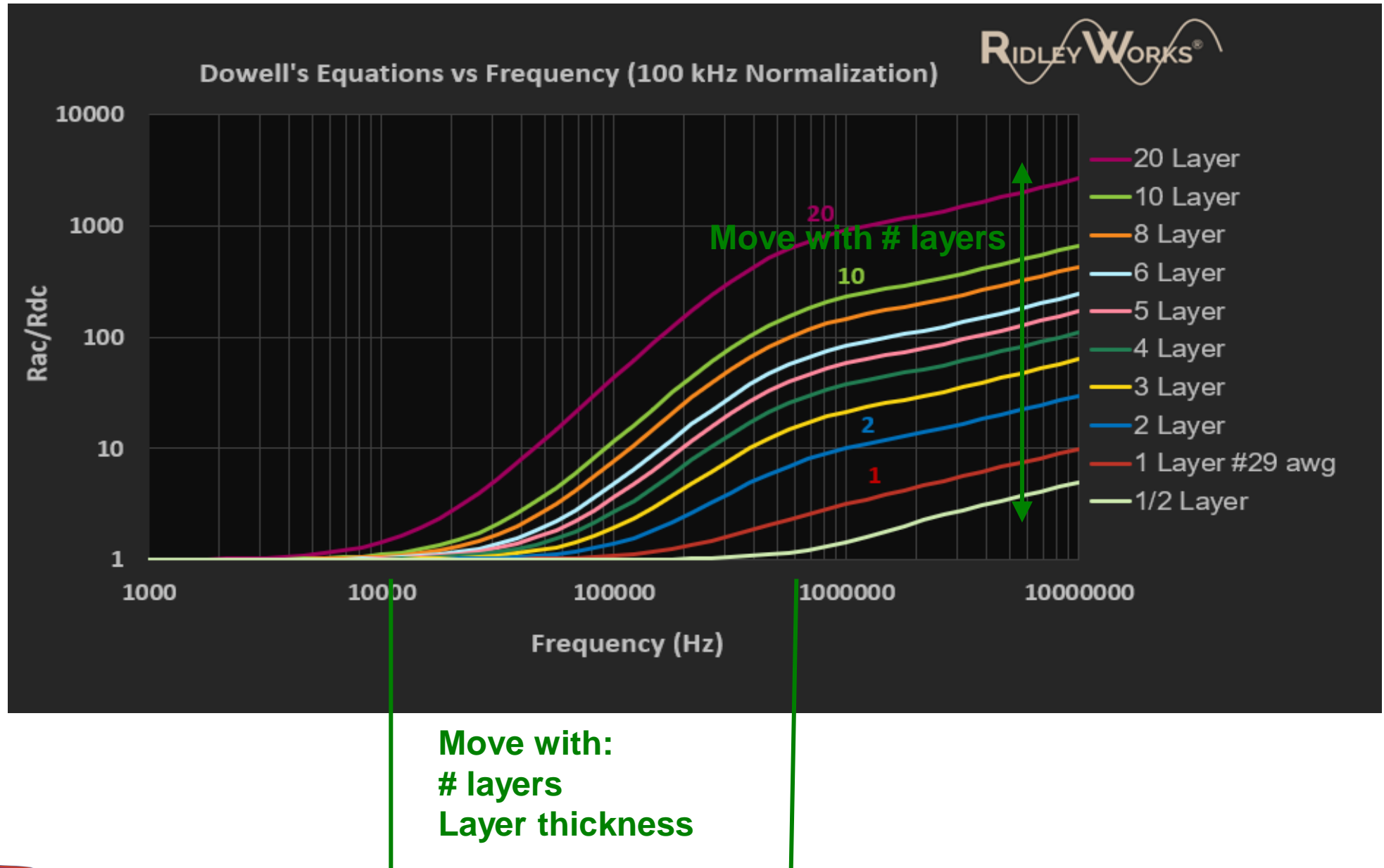
## Normalized Curves for Dowell's Equations



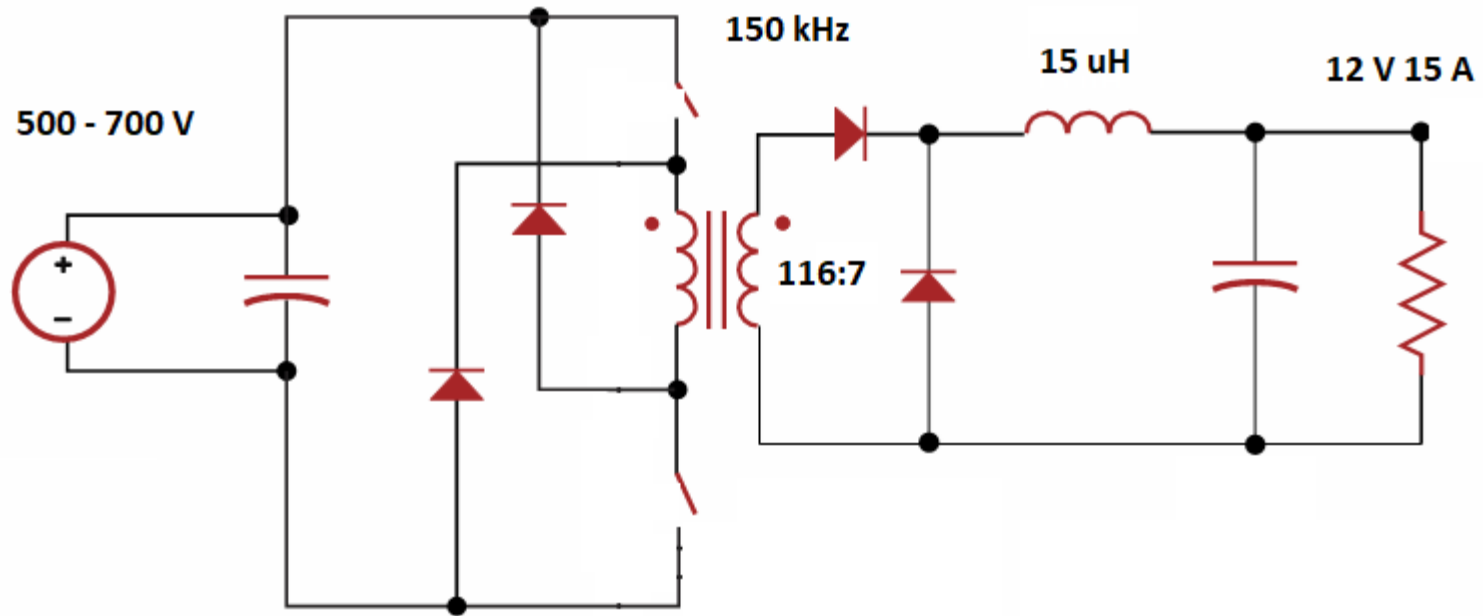
Elegant curves explain everything about proximity – amazingly compact

Overly elegant? Cannot see design direction on the surface:  
No apparent advantage to multilayers, only penalty

# Proximity Curves vs Frequency



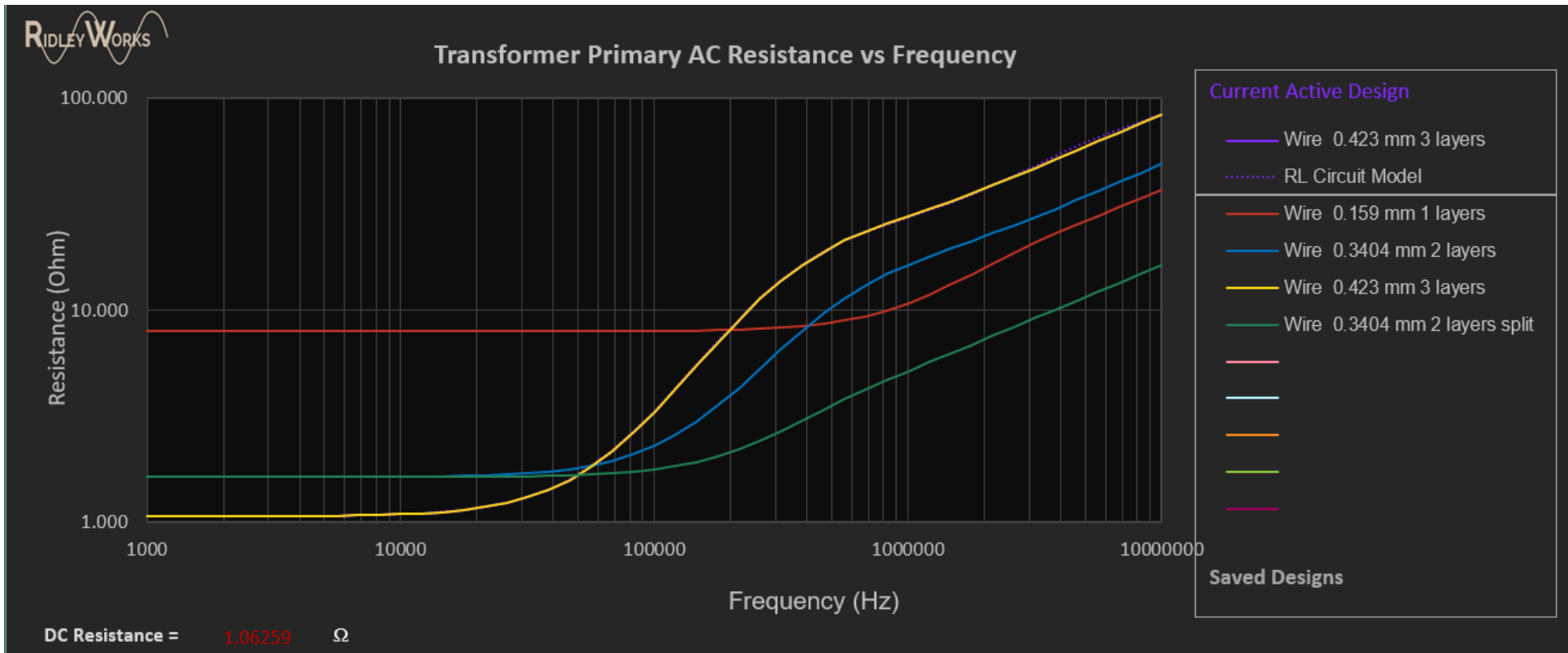
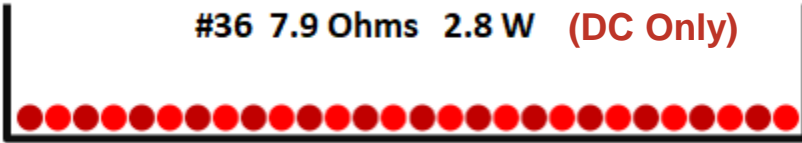
## Bringing Dowell's to Life - 150 kHz Forward Converter



# Different Transformer Primary Windings

#29 1.6 Ohm 0.59 W (DC Only)

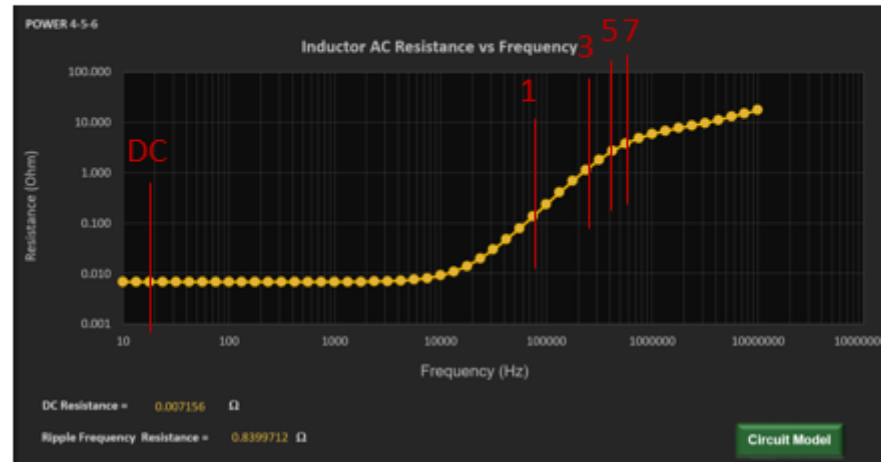
#36 7.9 Ohms 2.8 W (DC Only)



# Solving for Losses – the Hard Way

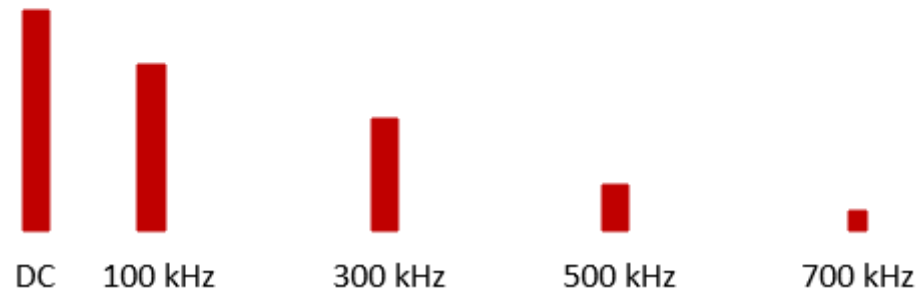
## Step 4

Dowell's Eqs for AC Resistance



## Step 3

Extract Harmonic Content – solve  $I^2 R_{ac}$  for each

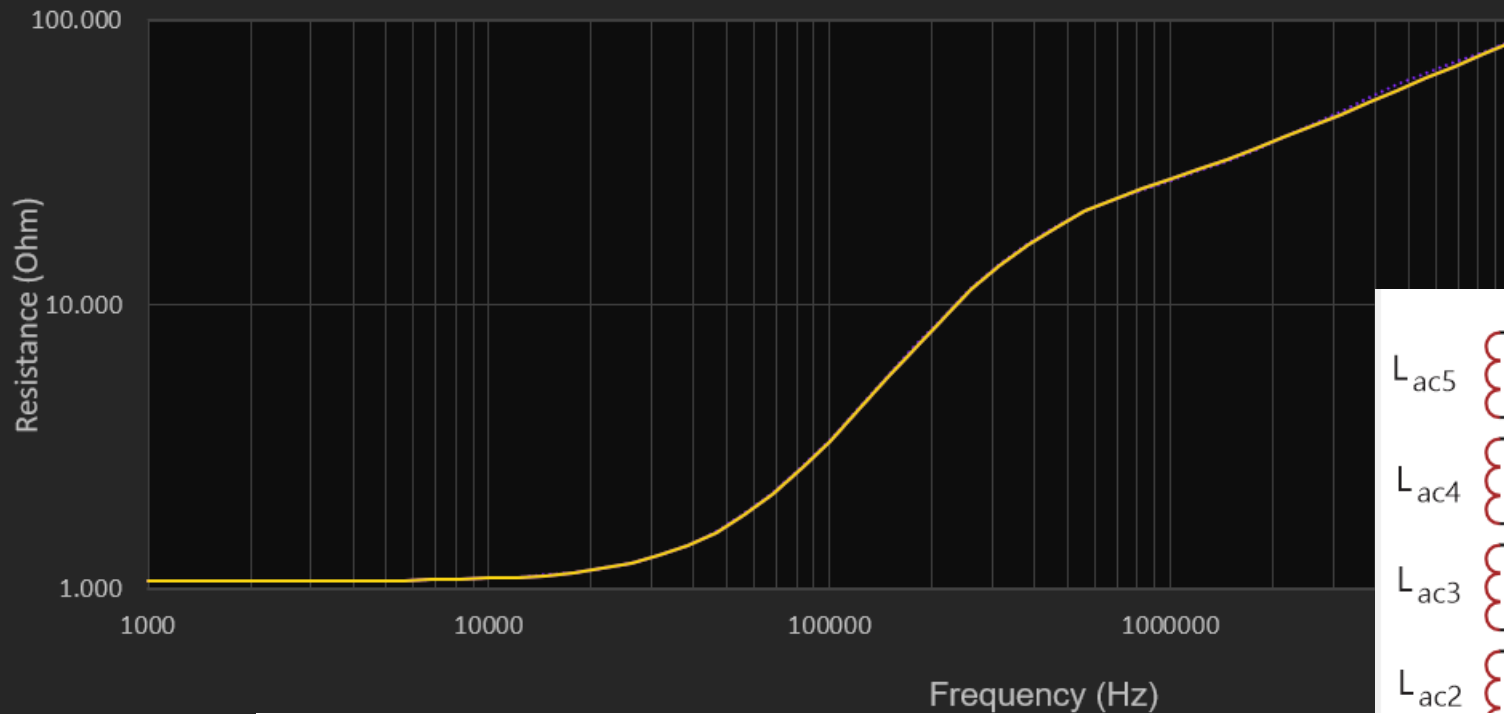




# Three Layer Design and Circuit Model



Transformer Primary AC Resistance vs Frequency

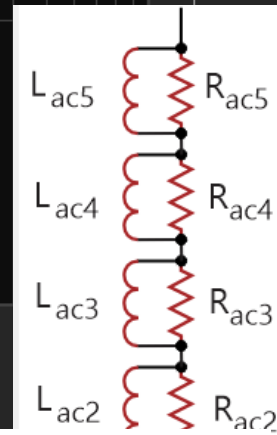


Current Active Design

— Wire 0.423 mm 3 layers

..... RL Circuit Model

— Wire 0.423 mm 3 layers



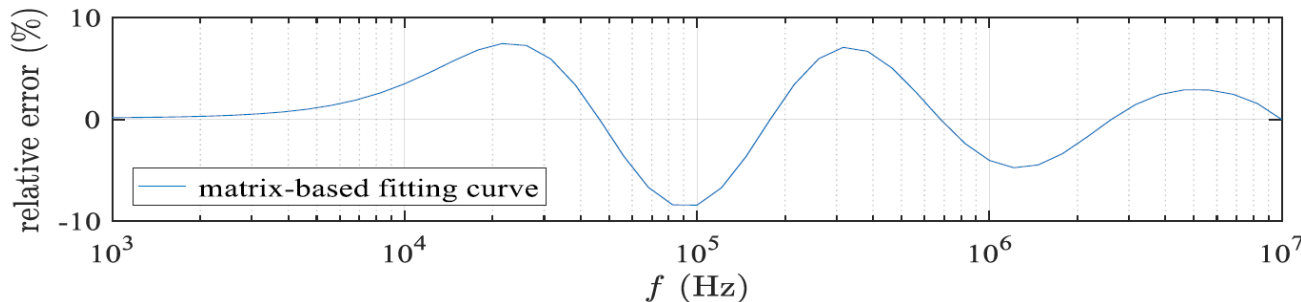
Resistors

Rdc	1.062591	Ohm
Rac1	25189	mOhm
Rac2	50664	mOhm
Rac3	142838	mOhm
Rac4	412840	mOhm
Rac5	403115	mOhm

Inductors

Lac1	12.545921	$\mu$ H
Lac2	2.104691	$\mu$ H
Lac3	0.718894	$\mu$ H
Lac4	0.251730	$\mu$ H
Lac5	0.064158	$\mu$ H

DC Resistance =  
Ripple Frequency Res



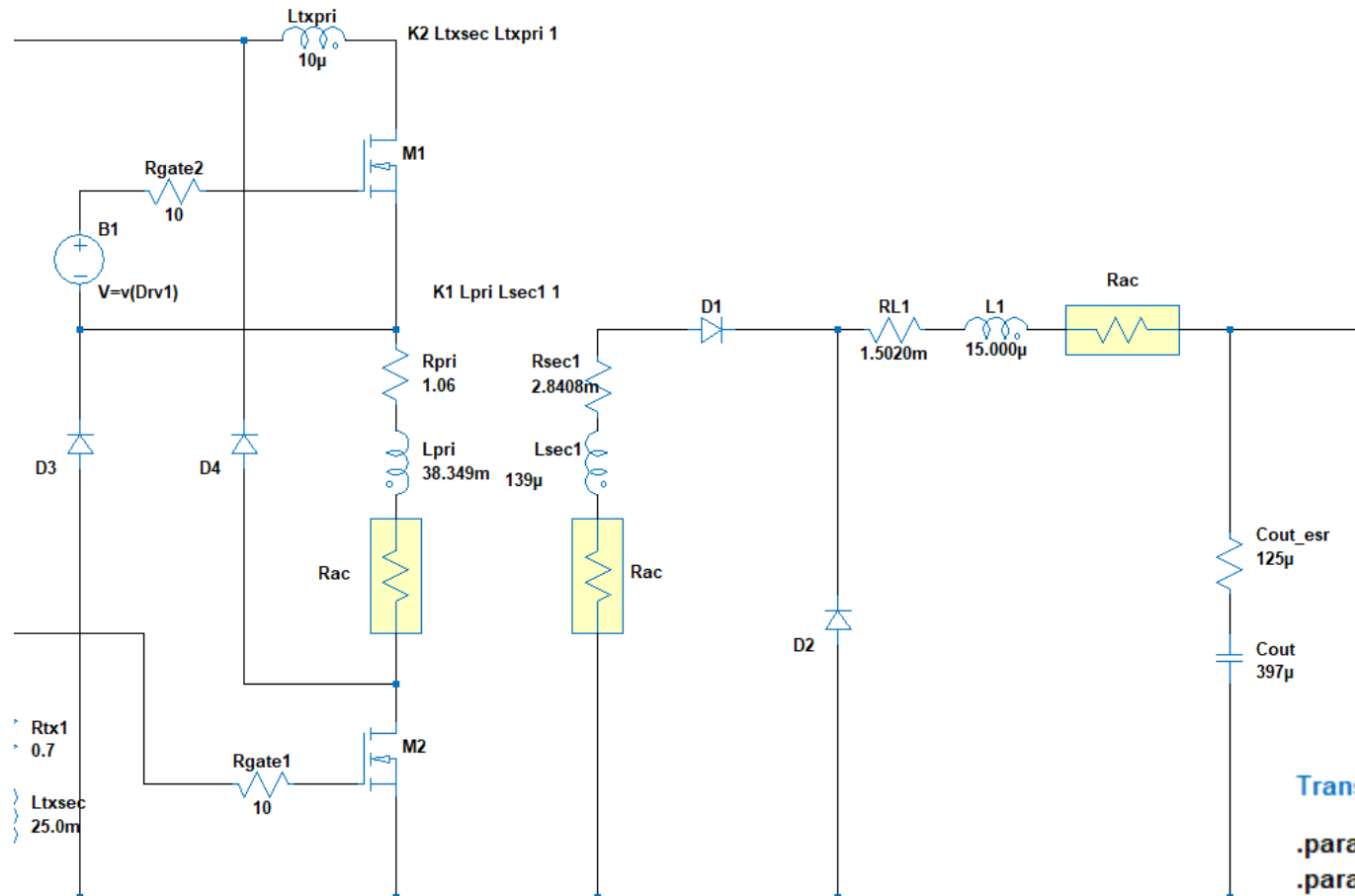
1

:

el

OK

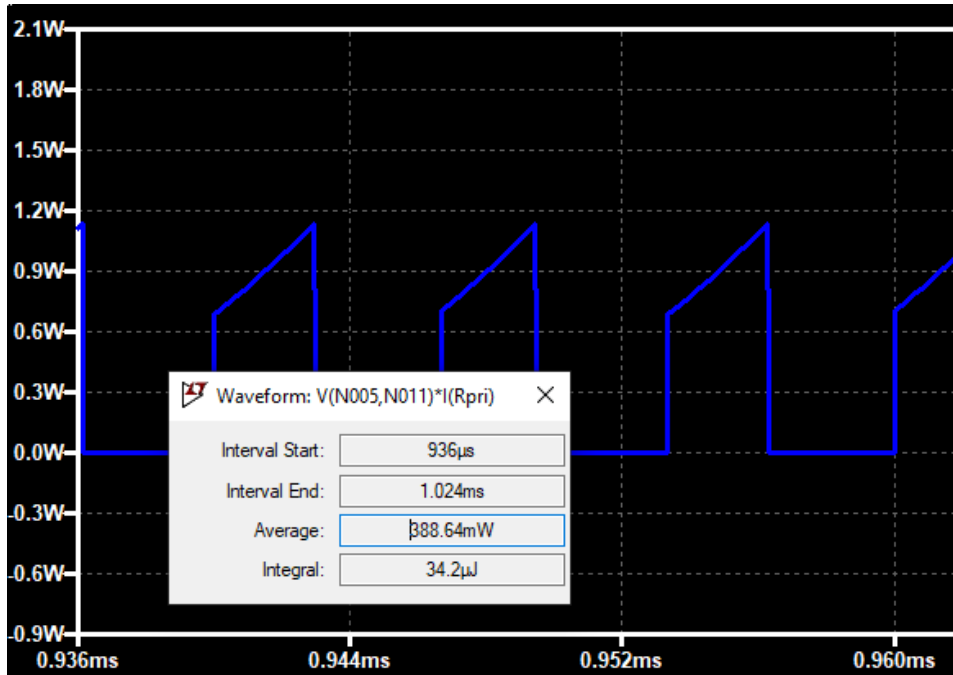
# Make LTspice Do All the Hard Work!



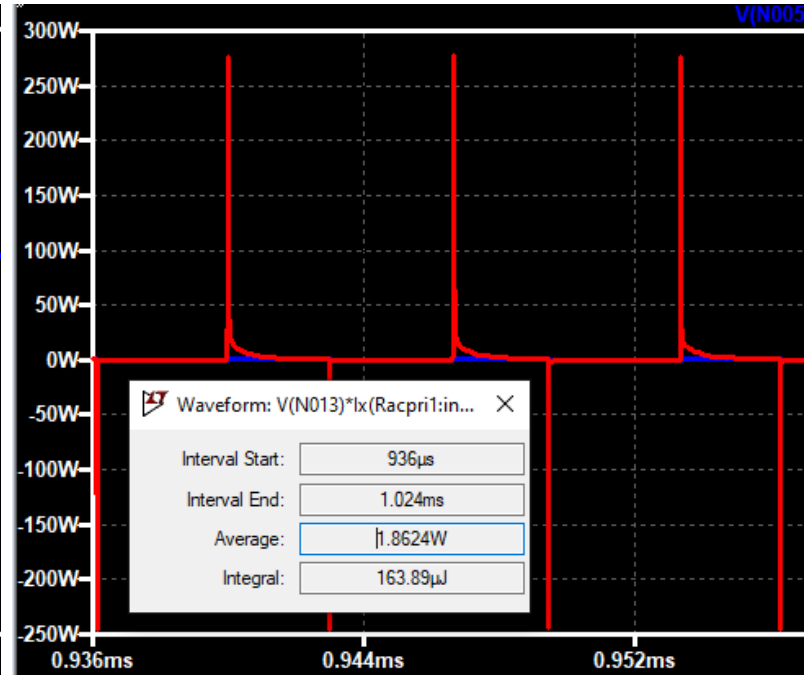
## Transformer Proximity Loss Model

```
.param Racpri1=25189m
.param Racpri2=50664m
.param Racpri3=142838m
.param Racpri4=412840m
.param Racpri5=403115m
.param Lacpri1=12.5459212999537u
.param Lacpri2=2.10469084291543u
.param Lacpri3=0.718894325163756u
.param Lacpri4=0.251730301523891u
.param Lacpri5=6.41577510564919E-02u
```

## Make LTspice Do All the Hard Work!

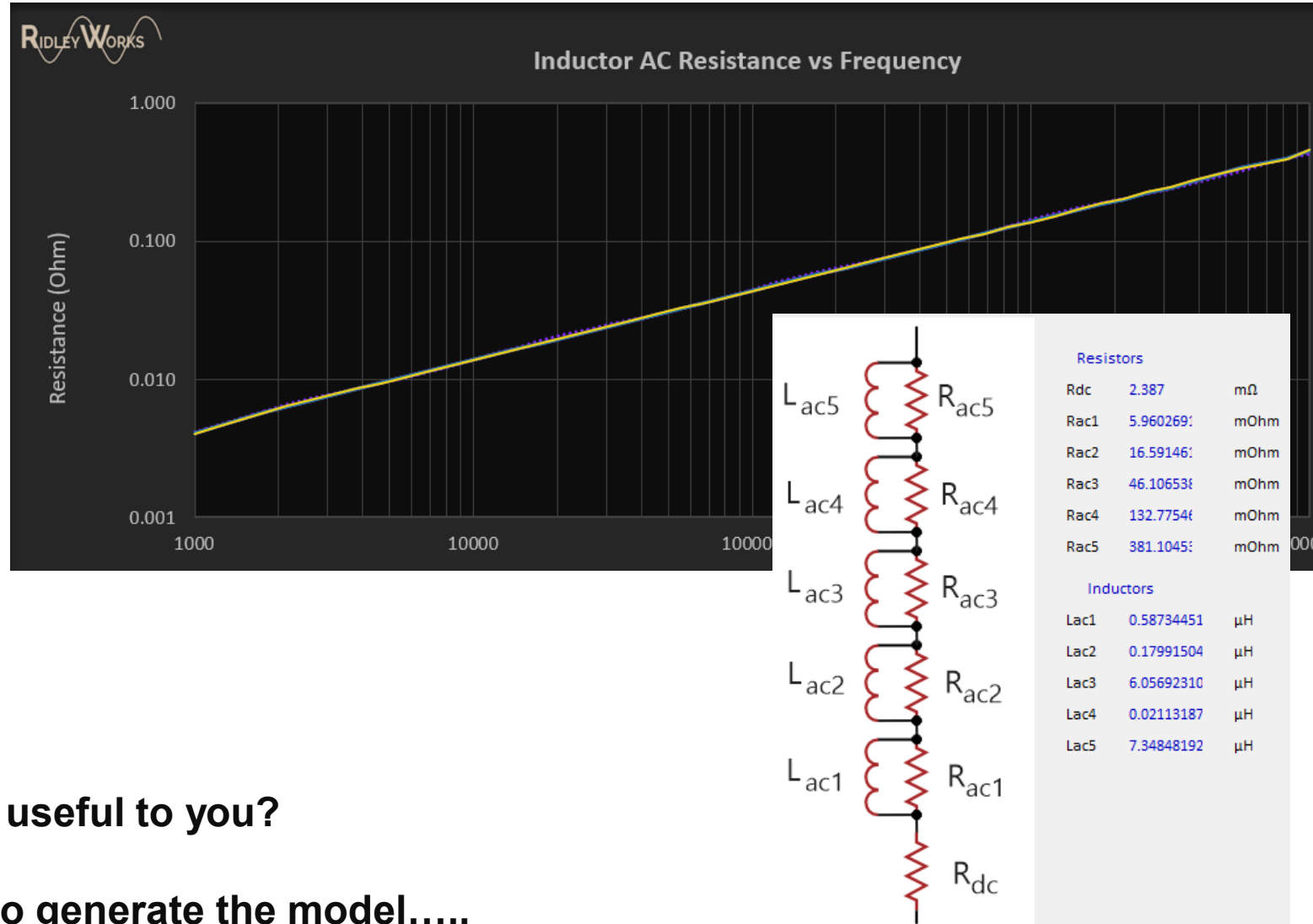


**DC Calculation: 0.388 W**



**Proximity Calculation: 1.8 W**

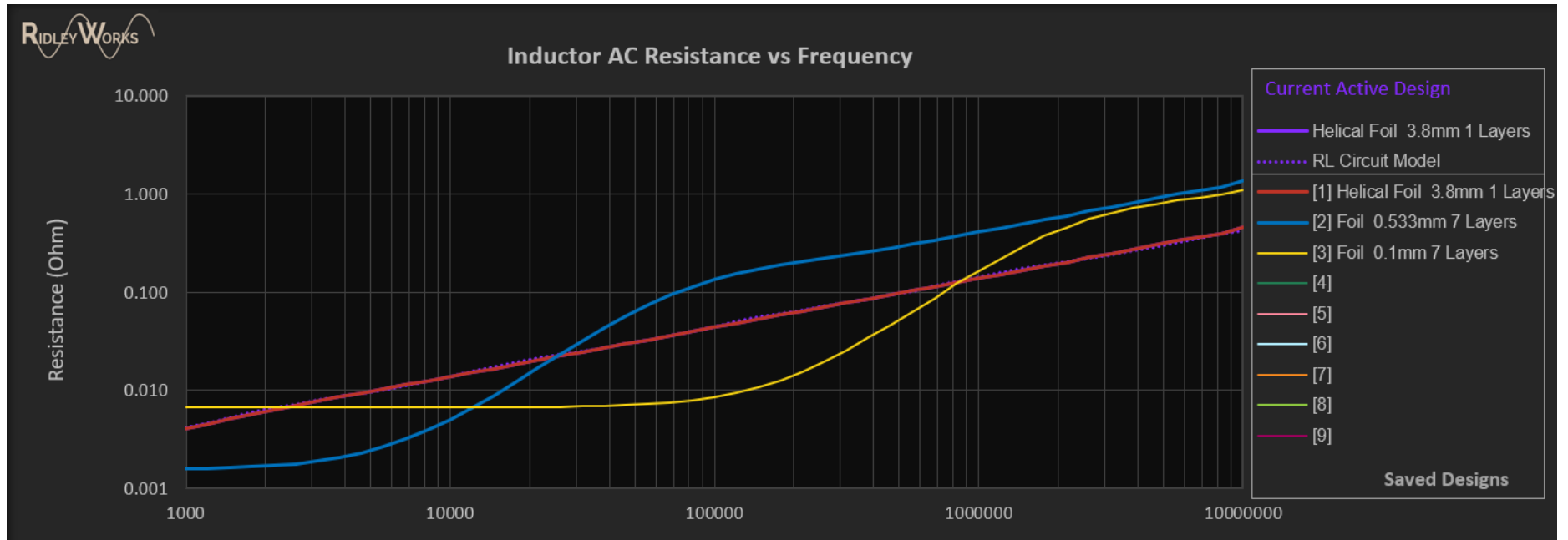
# Coilcraft SER2918-153 Inductor Design and Circuit Model



Wouldn't this be useful to you?

5 minutes work to generate the model.....

## Coilcraft SER2918-153 Core - Other Winding Possibilities



**Yellow Option is Better for an LLC Inductor – AC component only**

## How to Learn More



Email [info@ridleyengineering.com](mailto:info@ridleyengineering.com)  
For full demo



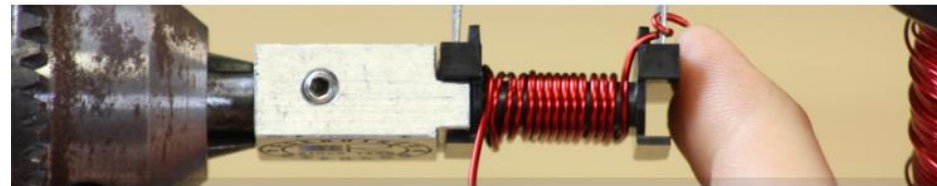
## Frequency Response Analyzers



### A New Small-Signal Model for Current-Mode Control

Raymond B. Ridley

Free  
Book



> Education > Power Design Workshop > Intro

## POWER SUPPLY DESIGN WORKSHOPS



## Power Supply Design Center Facebook Group

## Power Supply Design Center Articles

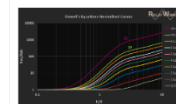
### [113] THE ADVENTURES OF 'OHM

This custom-designed comic strip is for all the electrical engineers who are suddenly working from home.



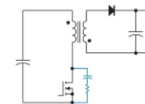
### [112] THE POWER OF DOWELL'S EQUATIONS AND CURVES

The standardized curves of Dowell's equations are a superb tool for designing better high-frequency magnetics. A careful balance of layer count and wire or foil count is needed to reach an optimum design.



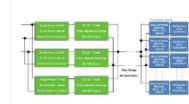
### [A24] FLYBACK CONVERTER SNUBBER DESIGN

In this article, we will talk about practical design techniques for the most commonly used snubber and clamp circuits for the flyback converter.



### [111] ZVS FULL-BRIDGE CONVERTER EMPLOYING AN ACTIVE SNUBBER

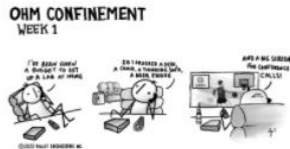
The ZVS full bridge converter can be enhanced greatly by implementing an active snubber on the secondary side of the transformer.



## How to Learn More – Recent Webinar Series

### ADVENTURES OF 'OHM

*This custom-designed comic strip is for all the electrical engineers who are suddenly working from home.*



### BUILD A CURRENT MODE CONTROLLER IN ONE HOUR - WEBINAR

Design and Build a Current Mode Controller in One Hour and learn the 7 secrets of current-mode control



### BUILD A VOLTAGE-MODE CONTROL LOOP IN ONE HOUR - WEBINAR

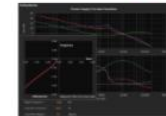
In this video Dr. Ray Ridley measures a working power stage, designs the compensator, inserts compensation components, and measures the loop gain.



### VOLTAGE-MODE OR CURRENT-MODE CONTROL? - WEBINAR

Watch Dr. Ridley's webinar on voltage and current mode control. Get the definitive answer on which you should be using.

#### Current or Voltage-Mode?



Webinar June 18, 2020 10:00 am PCT

Dr. Ray Ridley Ridley Engineering

### POWER SUPPLY DESIGN ESSENTIALS - WEBINAR

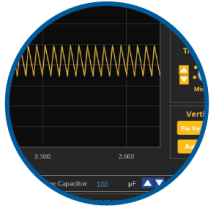
In this webinar we will go deep into the design of a converter and many of the aspects that need to be considered.

### MAGNETICS ESSENTIALS - WEBINAR

In This video Dr. Ray Ridley talks about Magnetics Essentials

### LINK FROM RIDLEYWORKS TO PSIM - WEBINAR

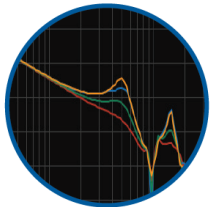
In This video Dr. Ray Ridley talks about the link between RidleyWorks and PSIM



### RidleyWorks® Lifetime License

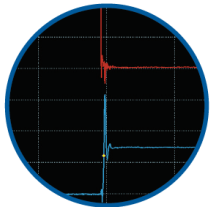
Power Stage Designer  
Power Stage Waveforms  
Magnetics Designer  
Transfer Function Bode Plots

Closed Loop Design  
Automated FRA Control  
LTspice® Automated Link  
PSIM® Automated Link



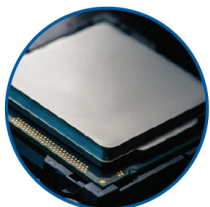
### 4-Channel Frequency Response Analyzer

Frequency Range 1 Hz - 20 MHz  
Source Control from 1 mV - 4 V P-P  
Built-In Injection Isolator  
Bandwidth 1 Hz - 1 kHz  
Automated Setup from RidleyWorks®  
Direct Data Flow into RidleyWorks®



### 4-Channel 200 MHz Oscilloscope

Picoscope® 5444D 4-Channel Oscilloscope  
200 MHz Bandwidth  
1 GS/s at 8-bit res; 62.5 MS/s at 16-bit res  
Signal Generator up to 20 MHz  
Computer Controlled



### Embedded Computer

Intel® Computer with 32 GB RAM, 256 GB SSD  
Intel® HD Graphics 620  
Integrated Dual Band Wireless, Bluetooth 4.2  
Dual HDMI and USB Ports, Ethernet