



Multiphysics modelling of the LHC main quadrupole superconducting circuit

- Progress presentation

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Motivation

What is the final goal?

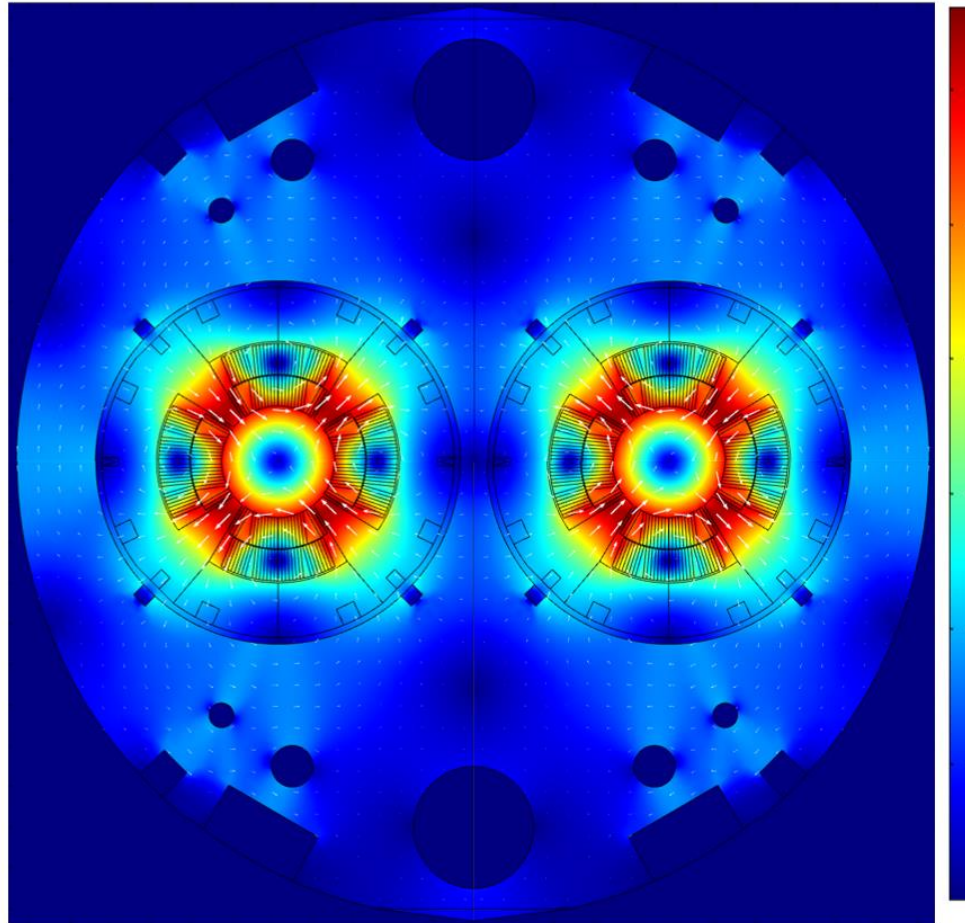
- To have a circuit library for all LHC circuits (RB, RQX, RQF/RQD,...)
- To have more magnet models within STEAM
- To constantly optimize STEAM-SIGMA for semi-automatic model generation

My task within the STEAM team

1. Develop the MQ magnet model
 1. SIGMA-COMSOL
 2. LEDET
2. Develop the RQD/RQF circuit model in PSPICE
3. Combine point (1) and (2) within COSIM
4. Validate points (1), (2) and (3)
5. Document the models and the results

LHC Main Quadrupole magnet

Surface: Magnetic flux density norm (T) Arrow Surface: Magnetic flux density



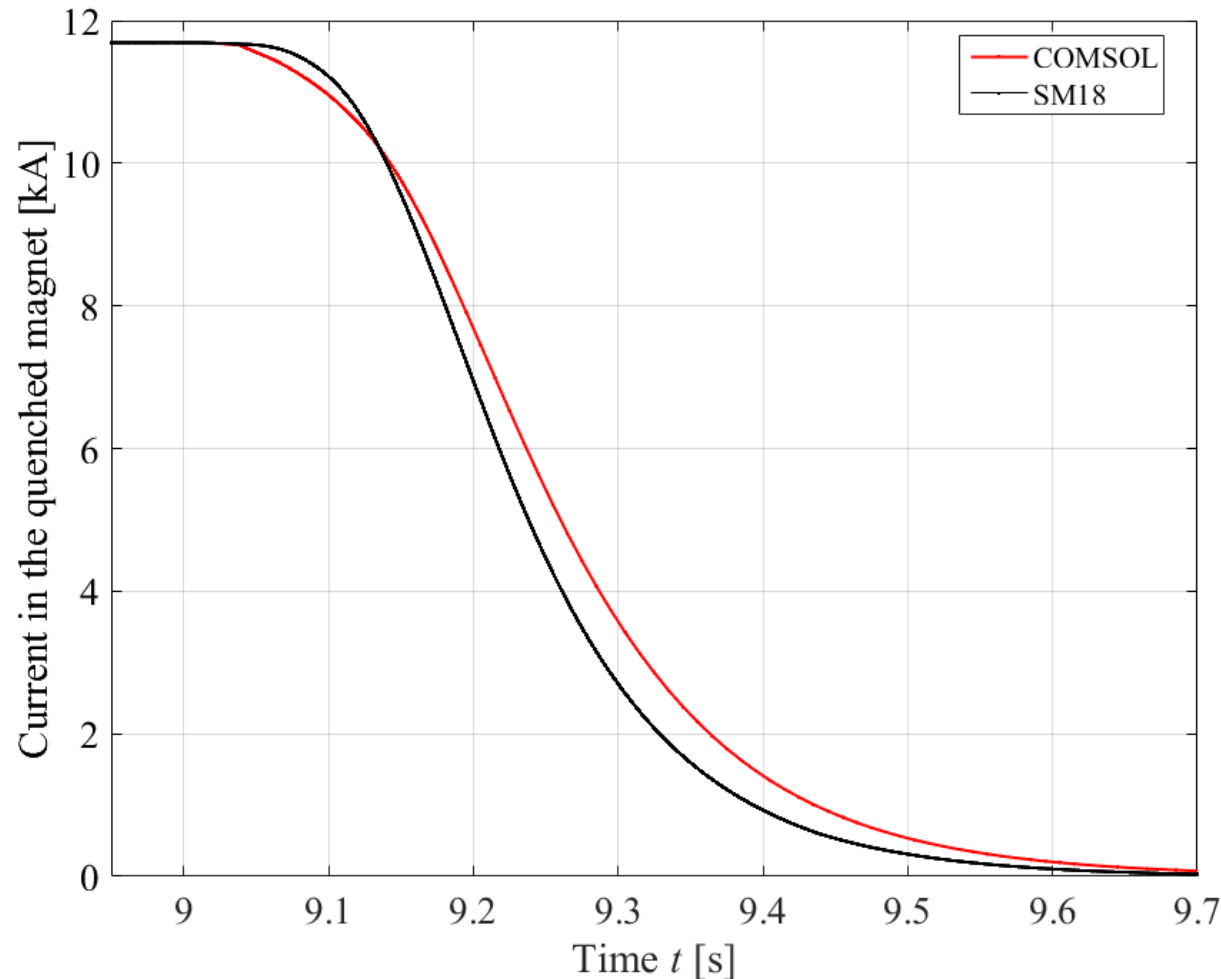
Main Quadrupole:

- The quadrupole magnets focus the particle beams, controlling their width and height
- Nominal current: 11870 A
- Operating at 1.9 K
- Length: 3.1 m
- Quench protection based on quench heaters (QHs) and cold by-pass diodes

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$$\text{RRR} = 209$$

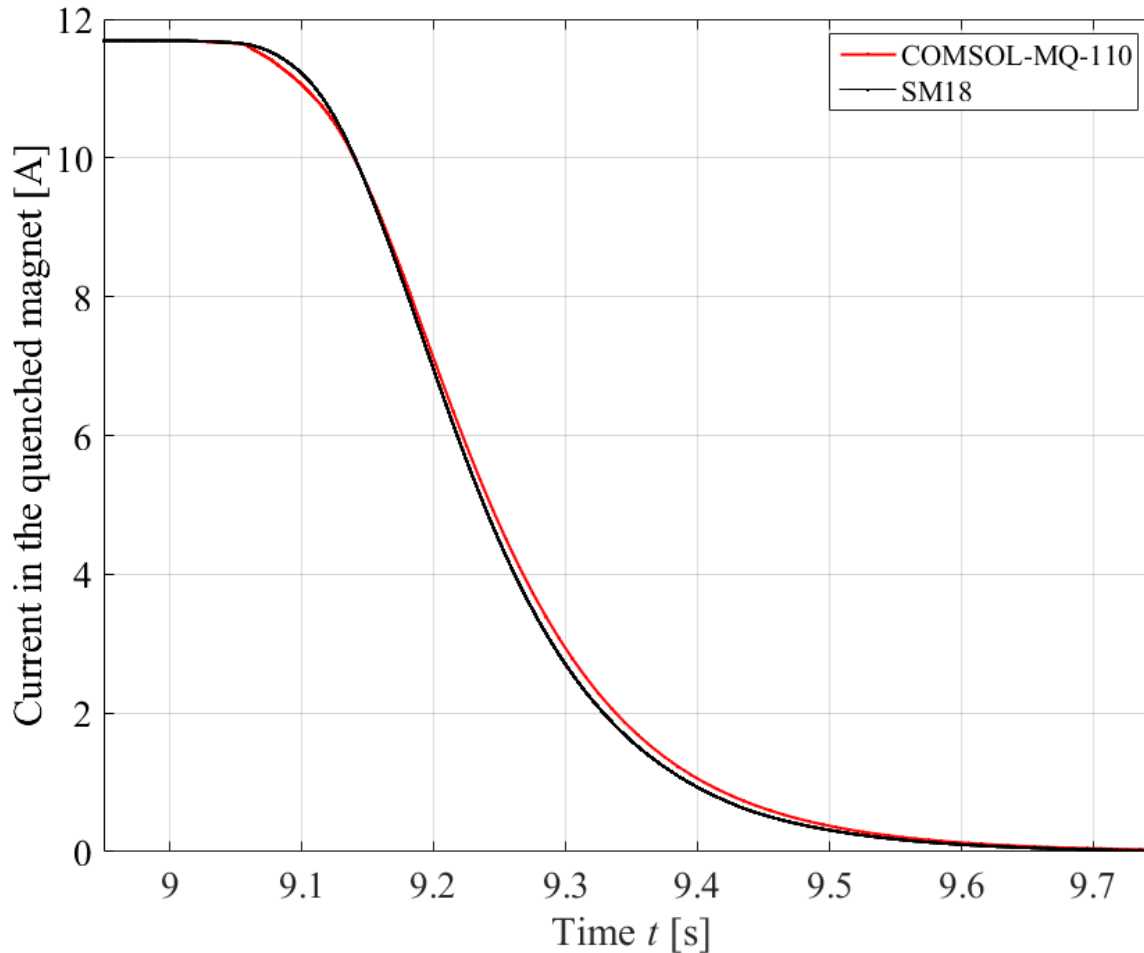
$$v_{\text{QP}} \rightarrow \text{infinite}$$

- Quench Heaters
implemented

Heat exchange between layers
and poles implemented

Bad agreement with measurement data

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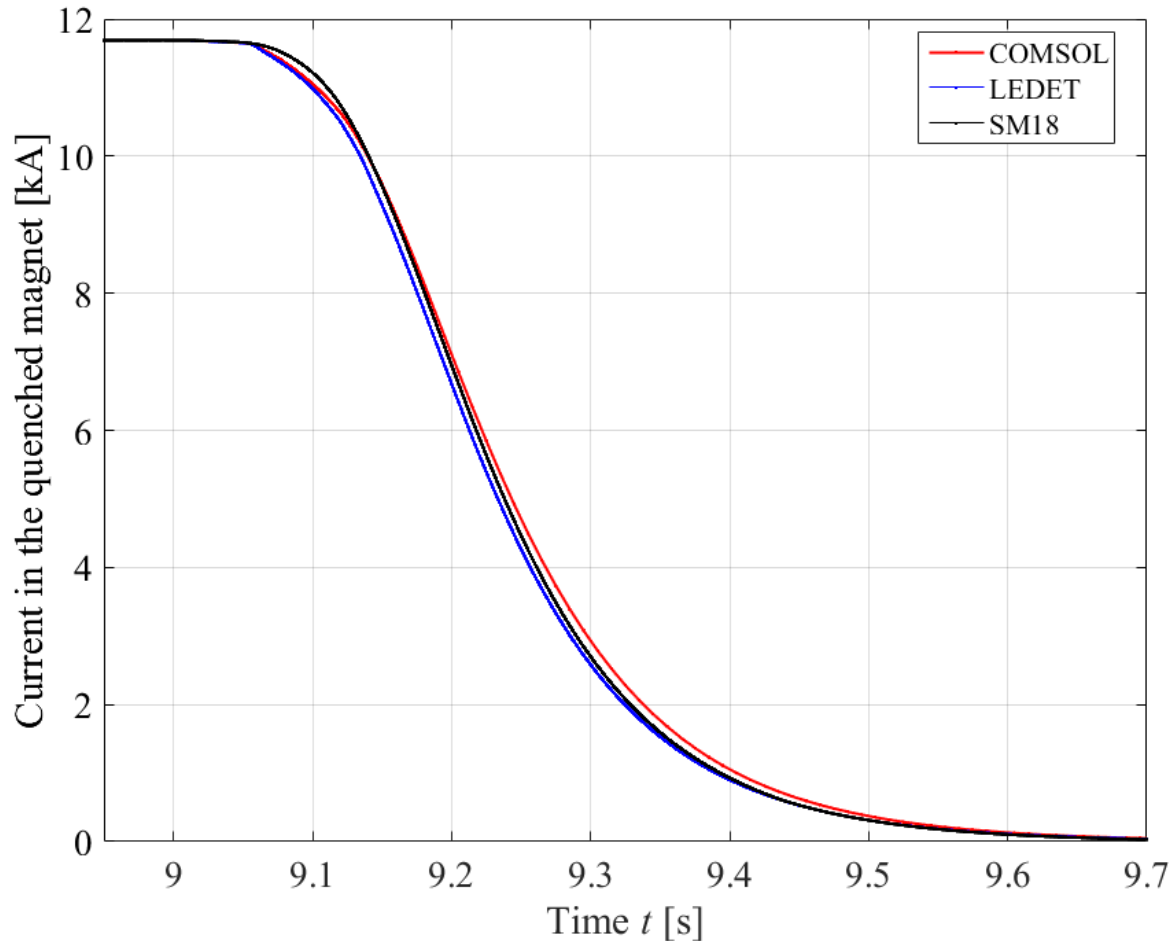
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- Simplified (adiabatic) velocity of quench propagation used
from the first timestep

$$v_{\text{QP}} = 25 \text{ m/s}$$

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Good agreement with measurement data*

* Thanks to Emmanuele for implementing all these changes in LEDET within 1 (!) day

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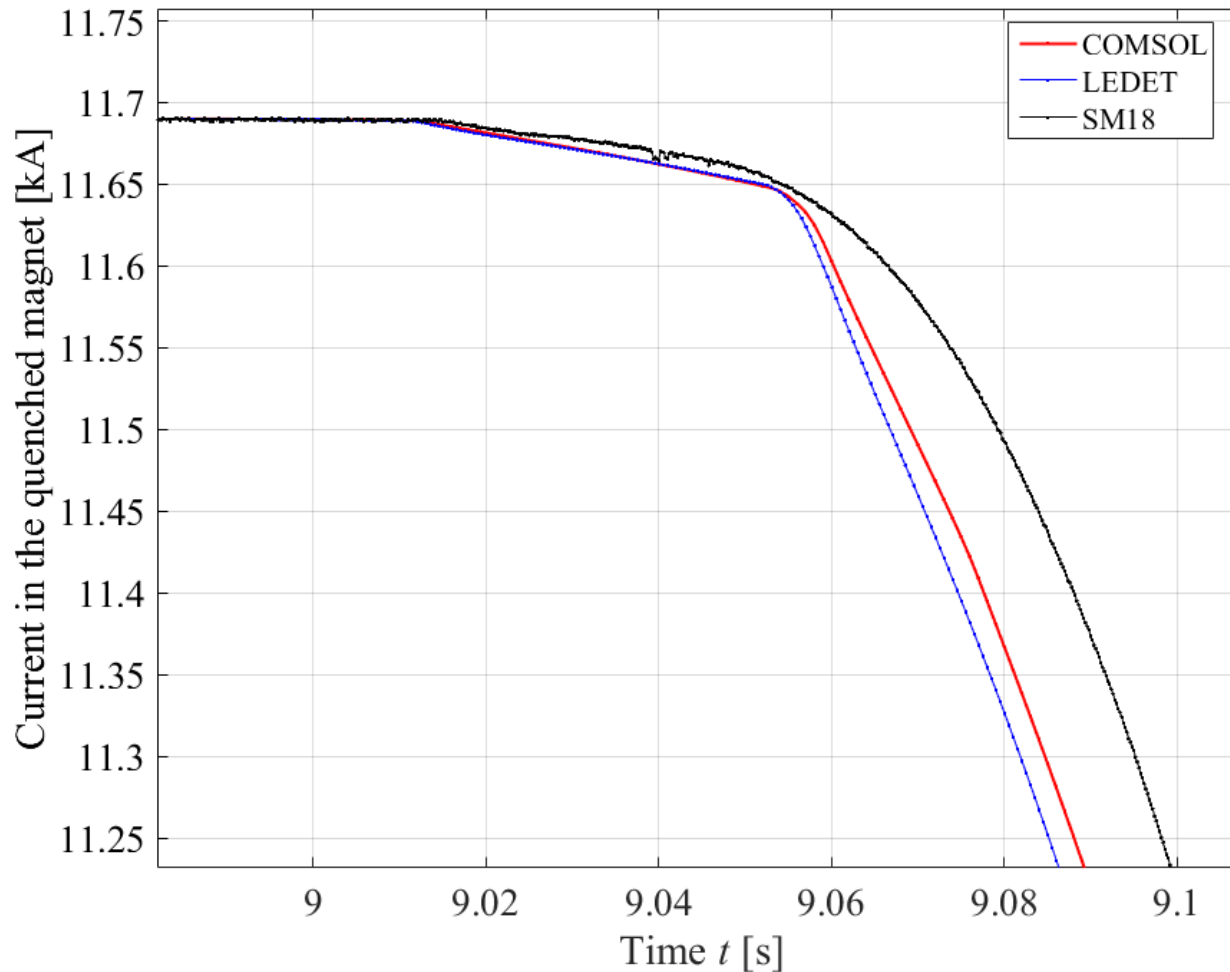
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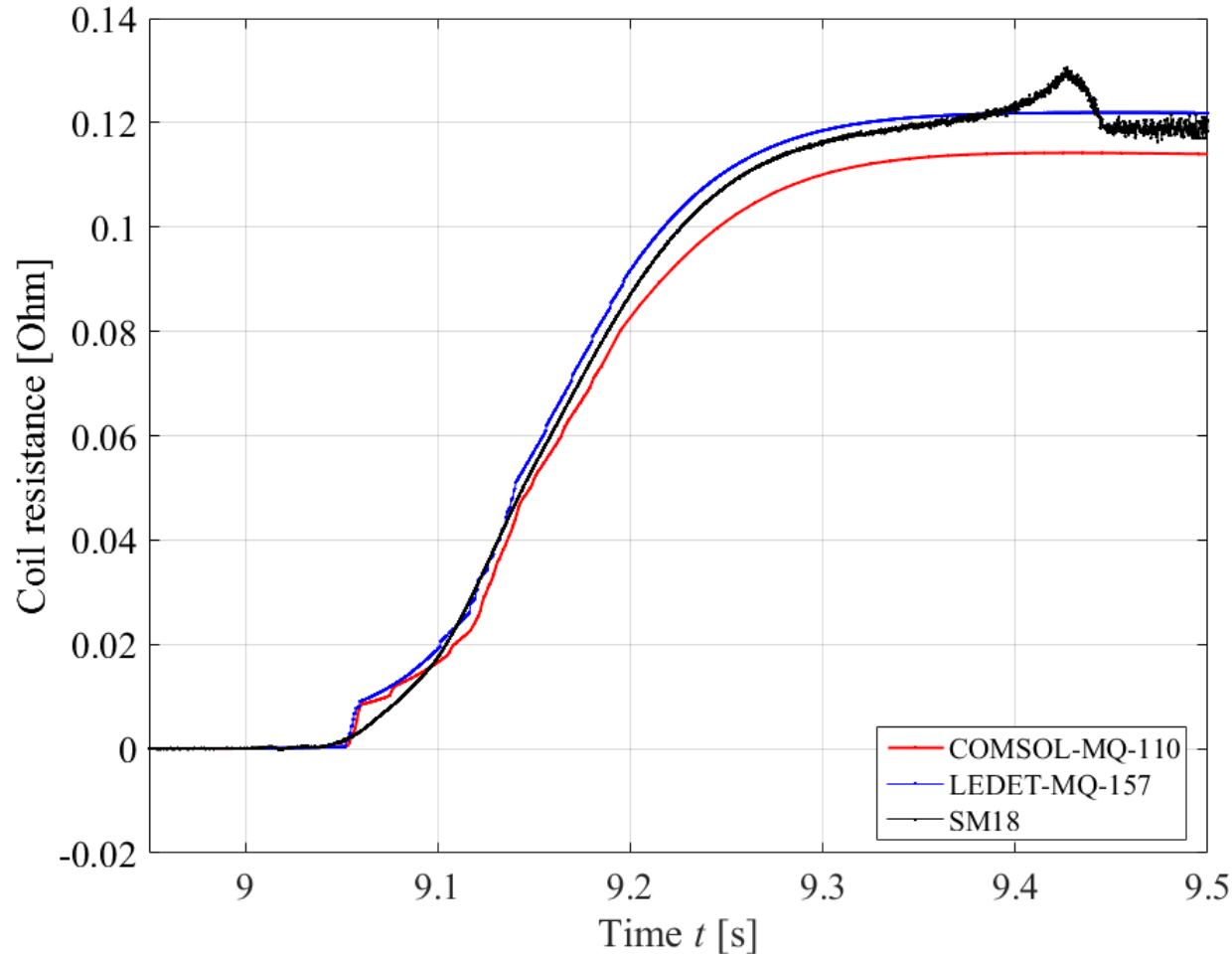
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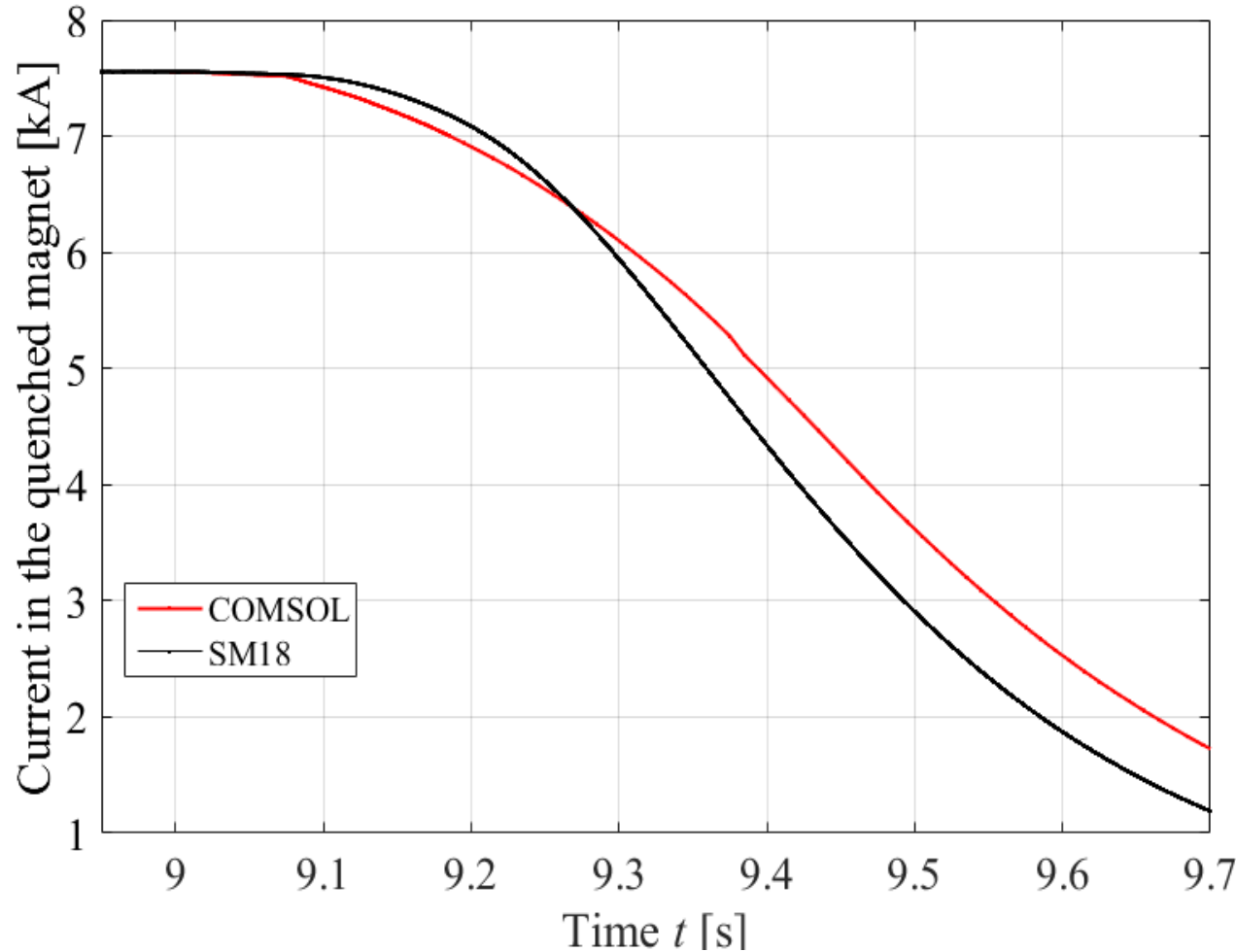
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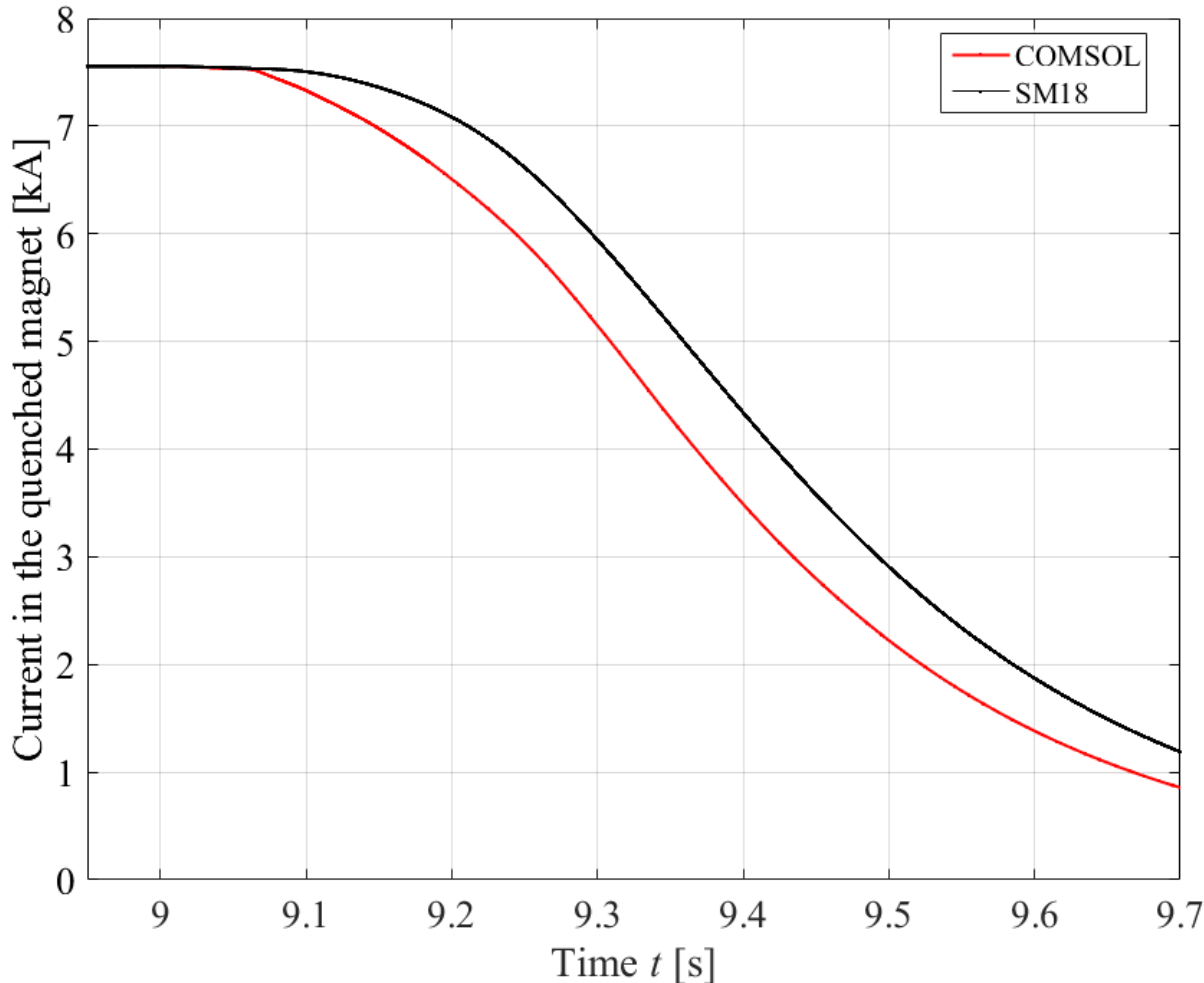
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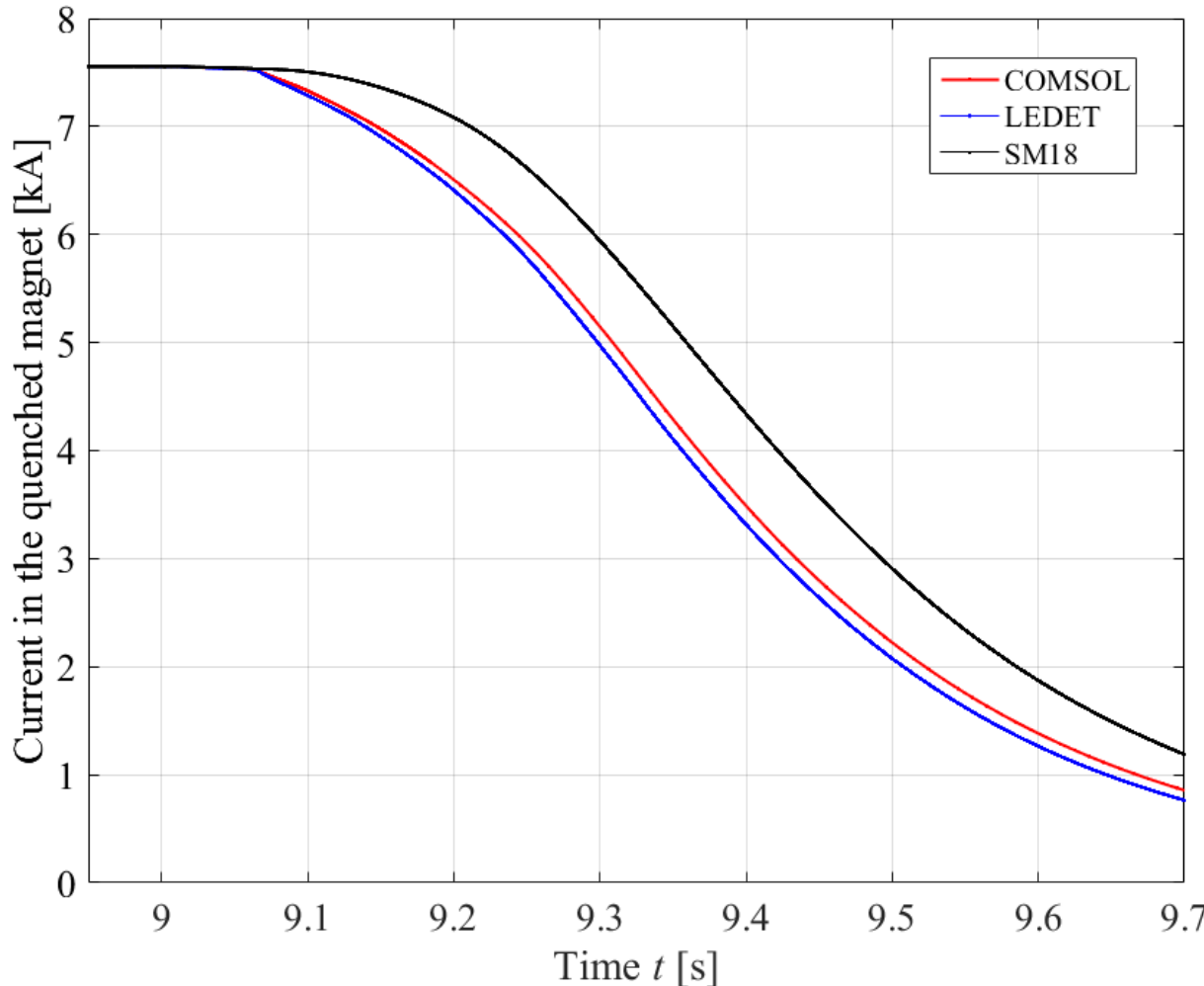
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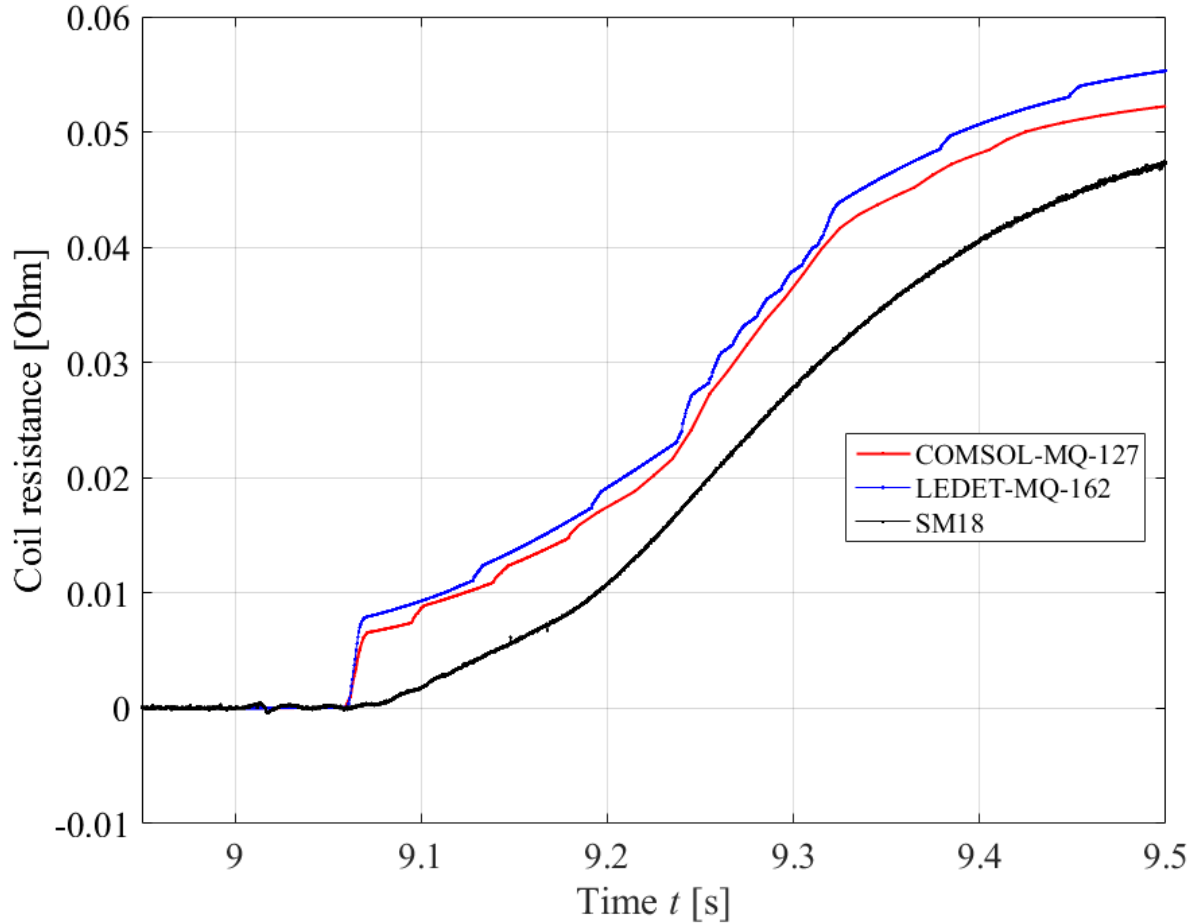
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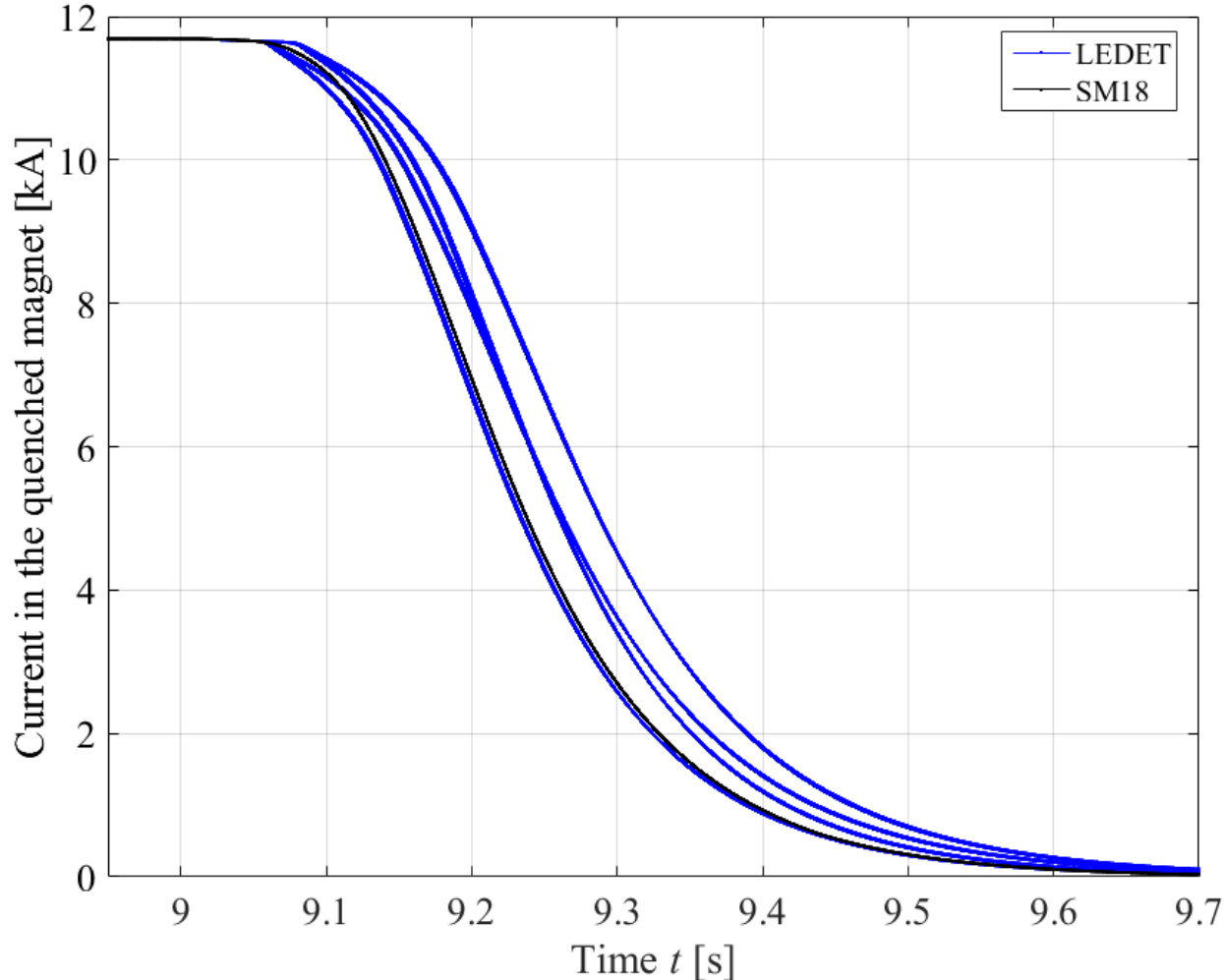
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Fist guess

1. $v_{QP} \rightarrow \text{infinite} \rightarrow$ Halfturn is quenched immediately over the complete length
 2. $RRR = 209$
 3. Fraction of helium (frac_He) = 5.5 %
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1. Changing RRR
 2. Changing frac_He
 3. Changing v_{QP}

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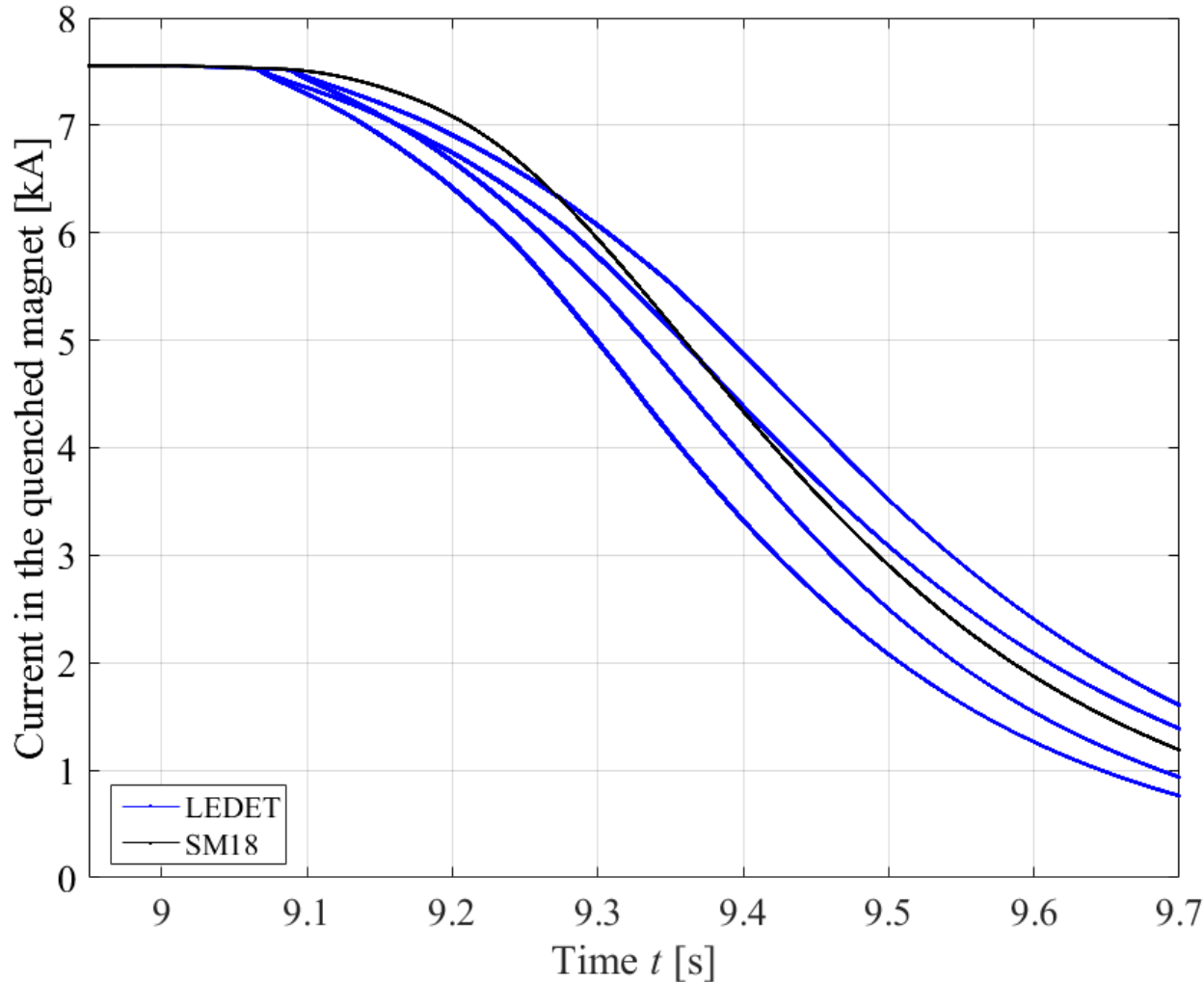
frac_He Variation:

- frac_He = 3.5 %
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V_QP (adiabatic) Variation:

- 25 m/s
- 0.5 x 25 m/s

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Parameters from the measurement:

$$I_{\text{test},2} = \underline{7.554 \text{ kA}}$$

RRR Variation:

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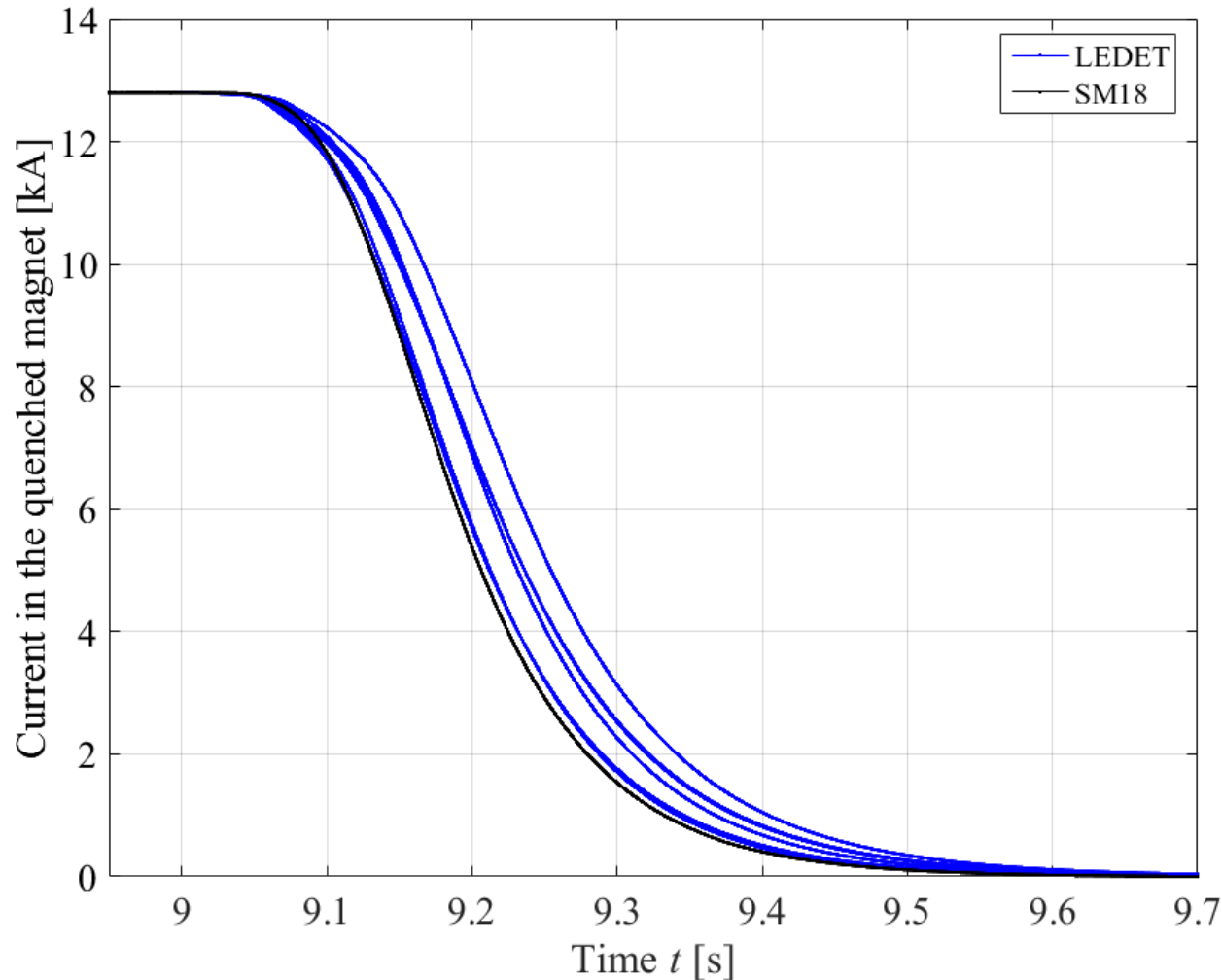
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V_QP (adiabatic) Variation:

- 11.45 m/s
- 0.5 x 11.45 m/s

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Parameters from the measurement:

$$I_{\text{test},3} = \underline{12.80 \text{ kA}}$$

RRR Variation:

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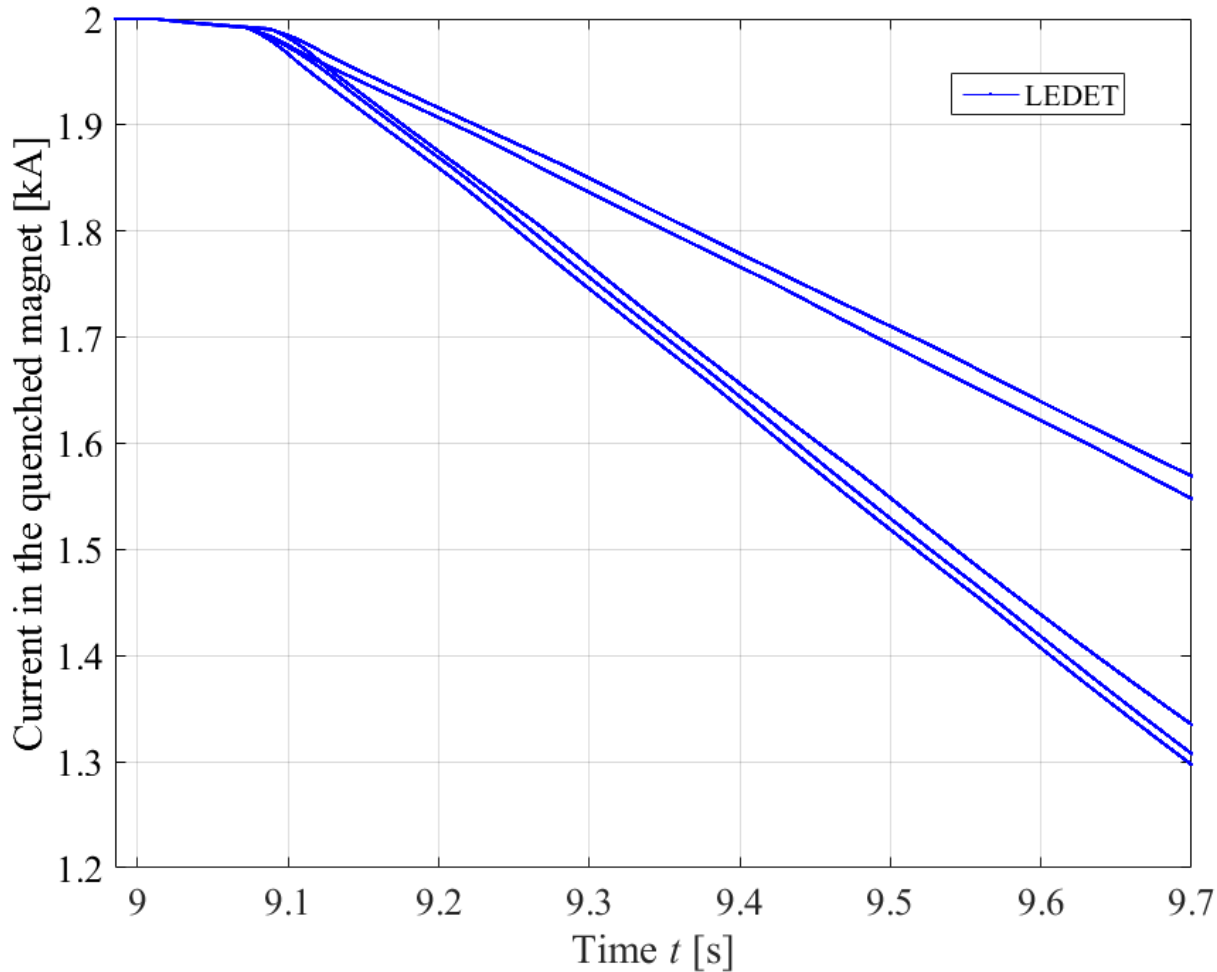
frac_He Variation:

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V_QP (adiabatic) Variation:

- 45 m/s
- 0.5 x 45 m/s

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Parameters from the measurement:

$$I_{\text{test},4} = \underline{2.0 \text{ kA}}$$

RRR Variation:

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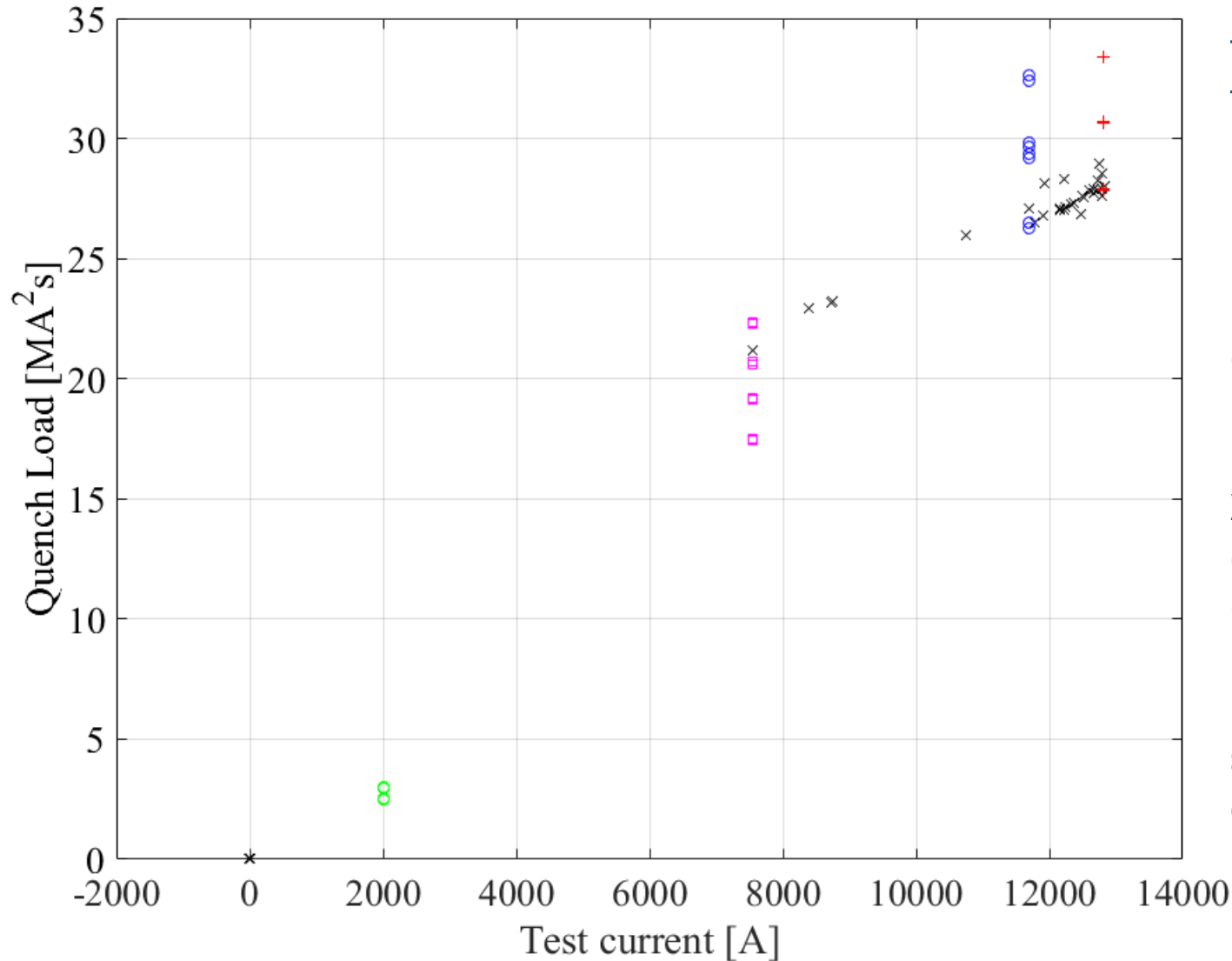
frac_He Variation:

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V_QP (adiabatic) Variation:

- 1.8 m/s
- 0.5 x 1.8 m/s

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colors => simulation results

X => quench load calculated from SM18 data

Distribution of test signals from in SM18 even at identical current level

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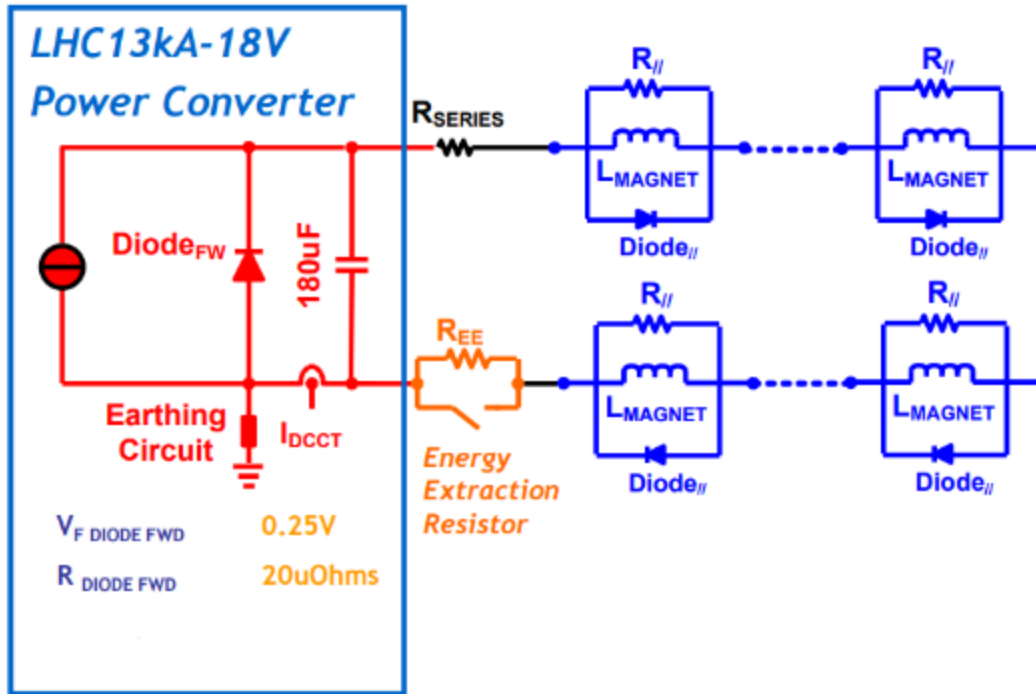
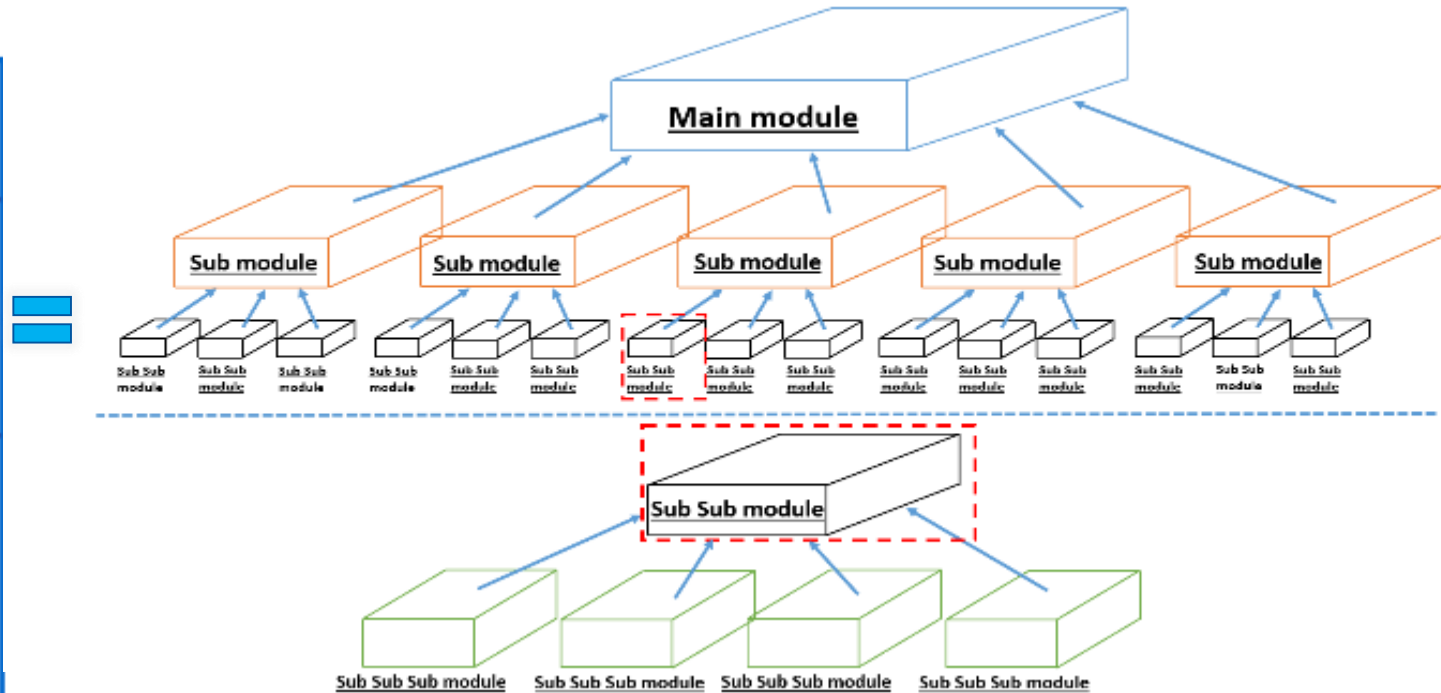
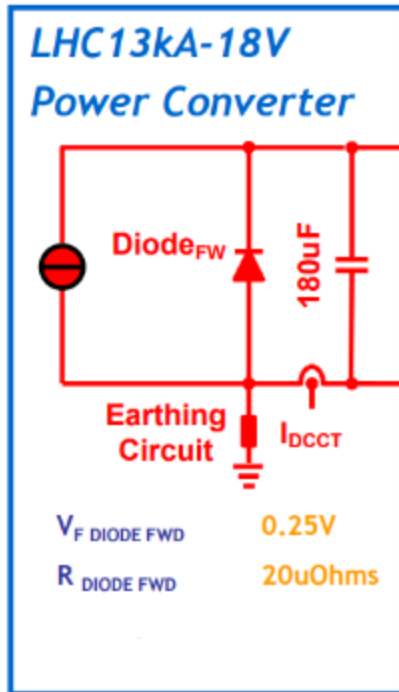


Fig. 7: LHC main quadrupole circuit – simplified schematic [1]

The LHC main quadrupole circuit:

- power converter (PC)
- energy-extraction (EE)
- main quadrupole magnets (MQ) and their protection system
- earthing circuits (EC)
- redundant system of sub-modules within the power converter

Main quadrupole circuit



- + earthing circuit
- + filters
- + magnets
- + energy extraction

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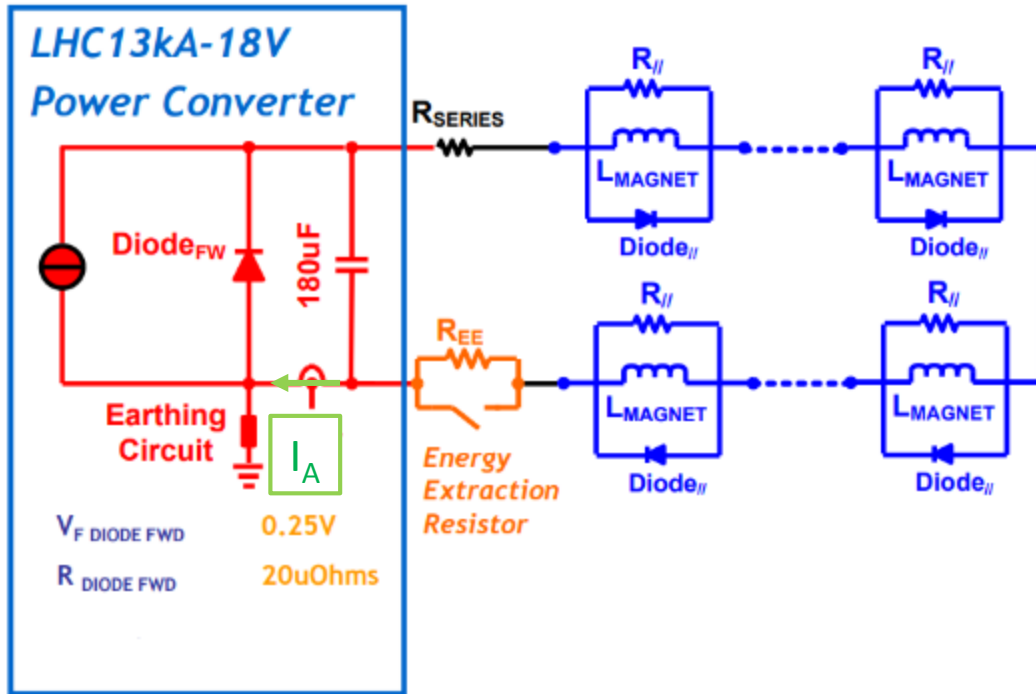


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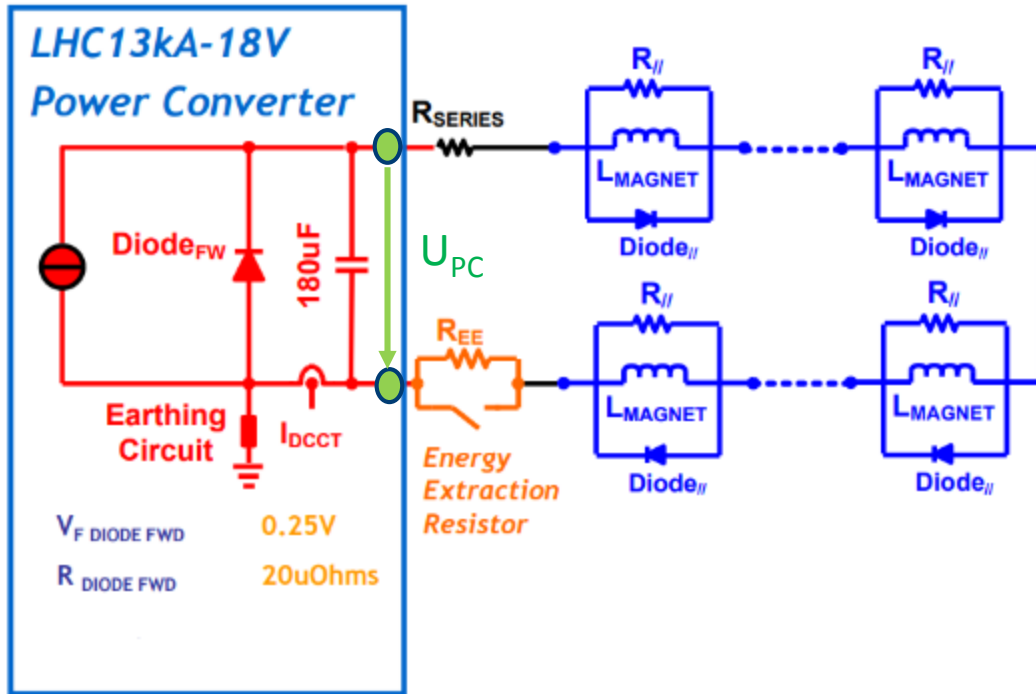


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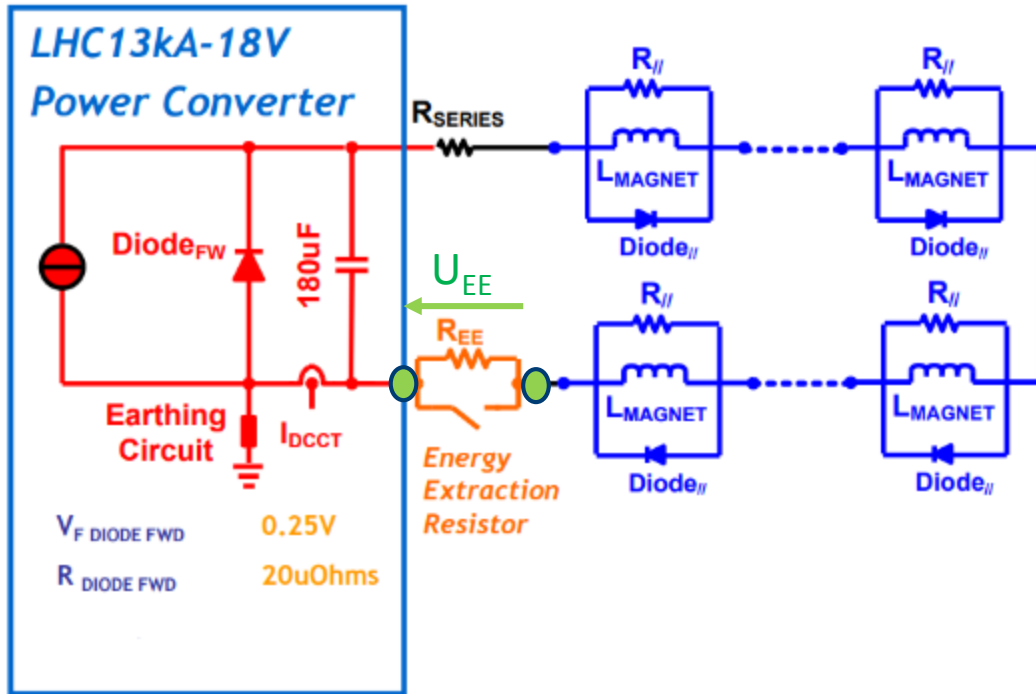
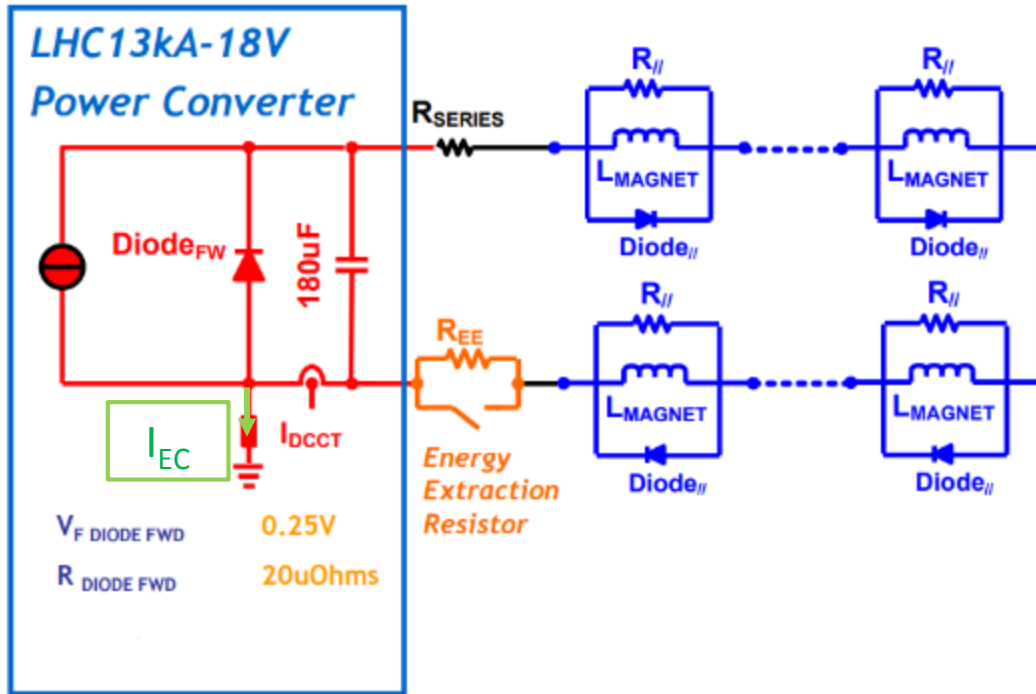


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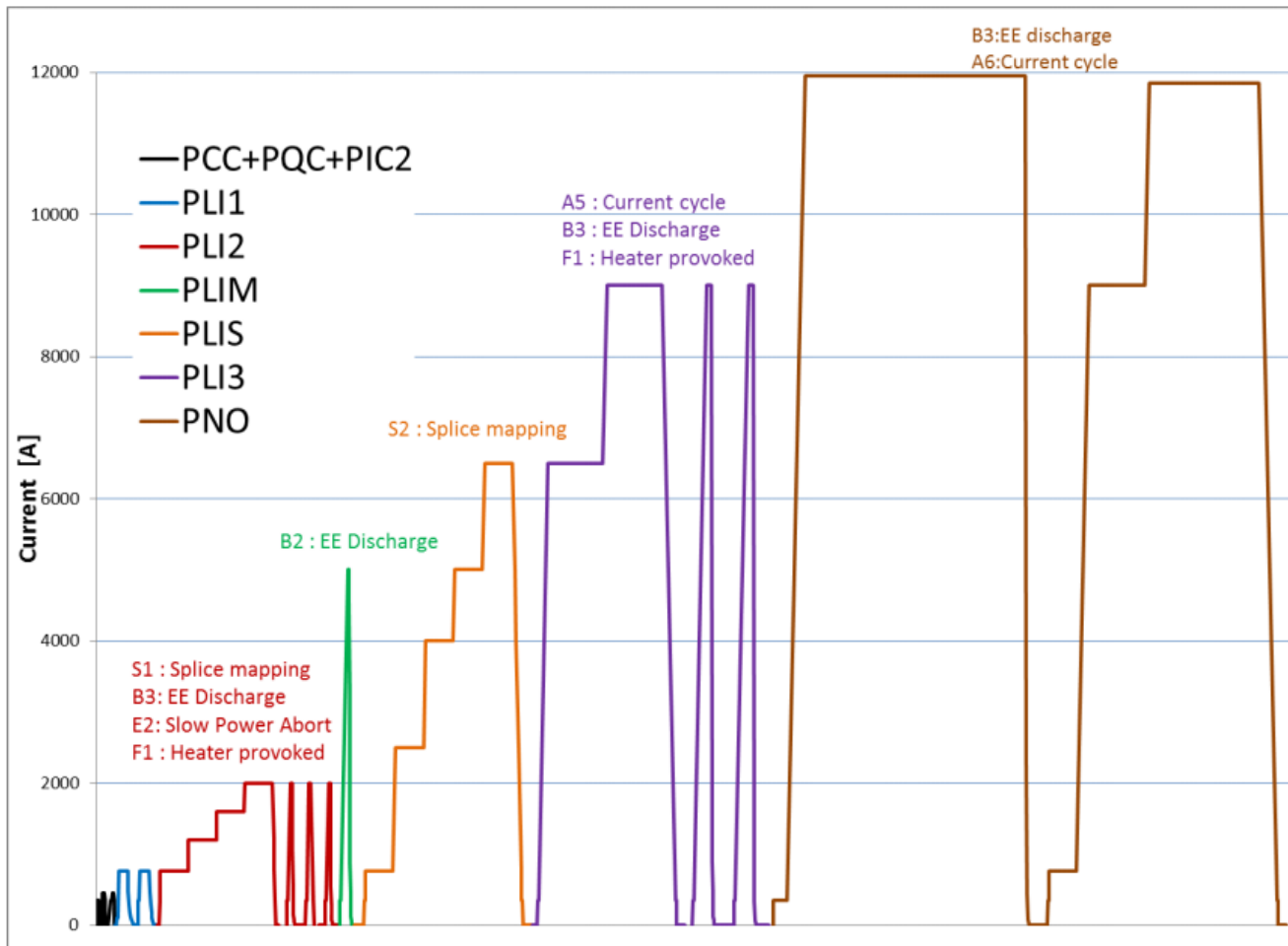


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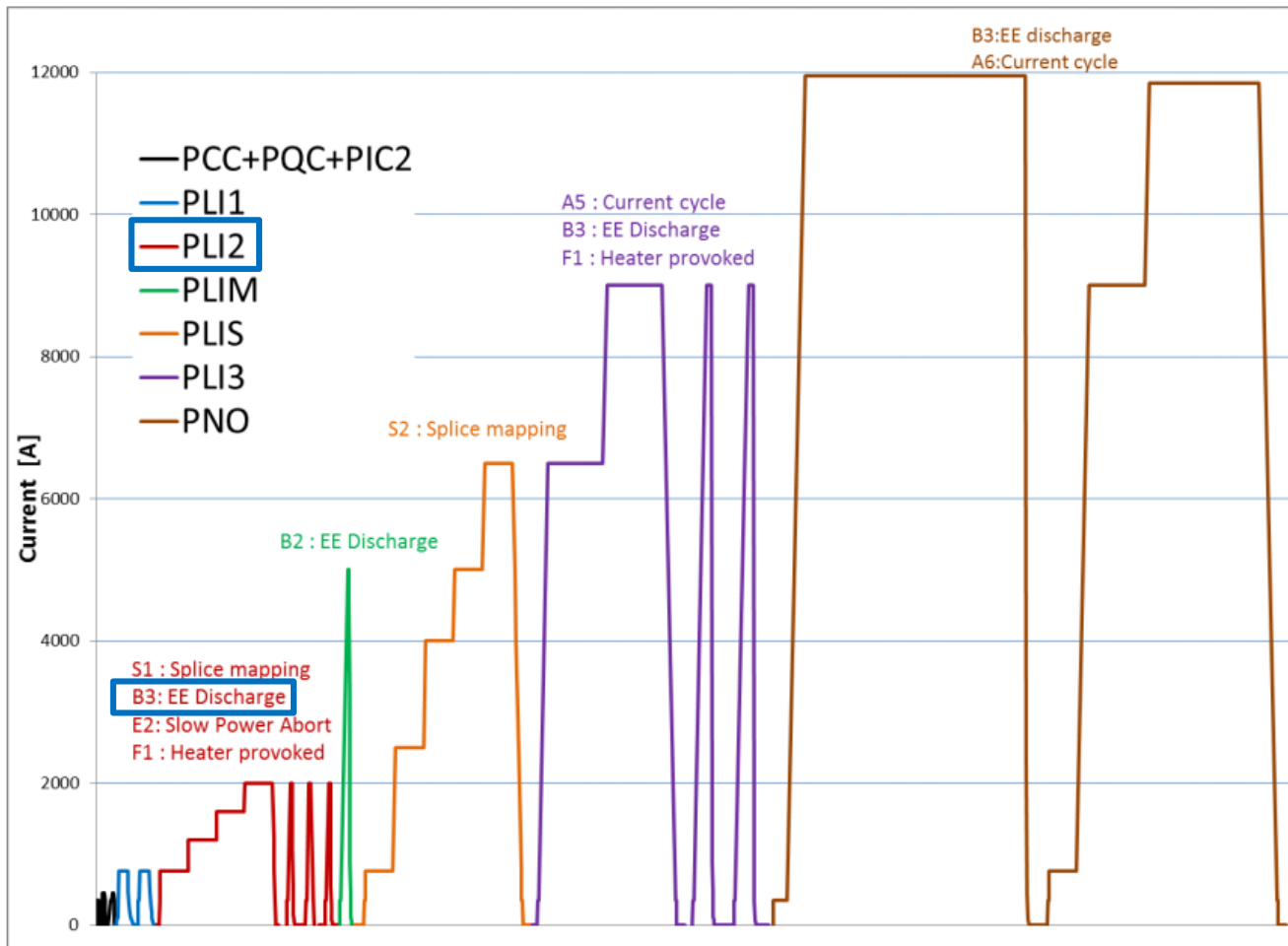
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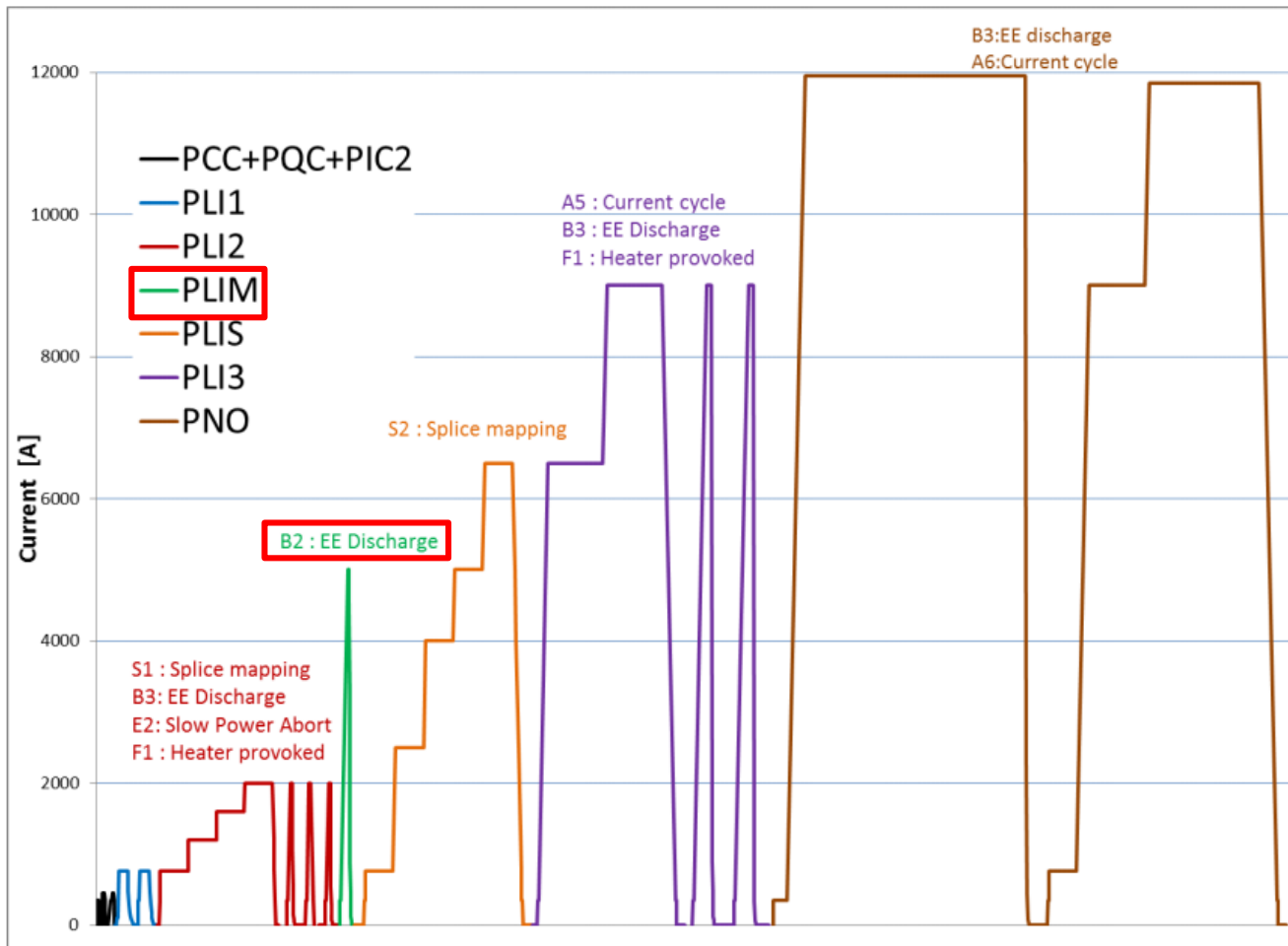
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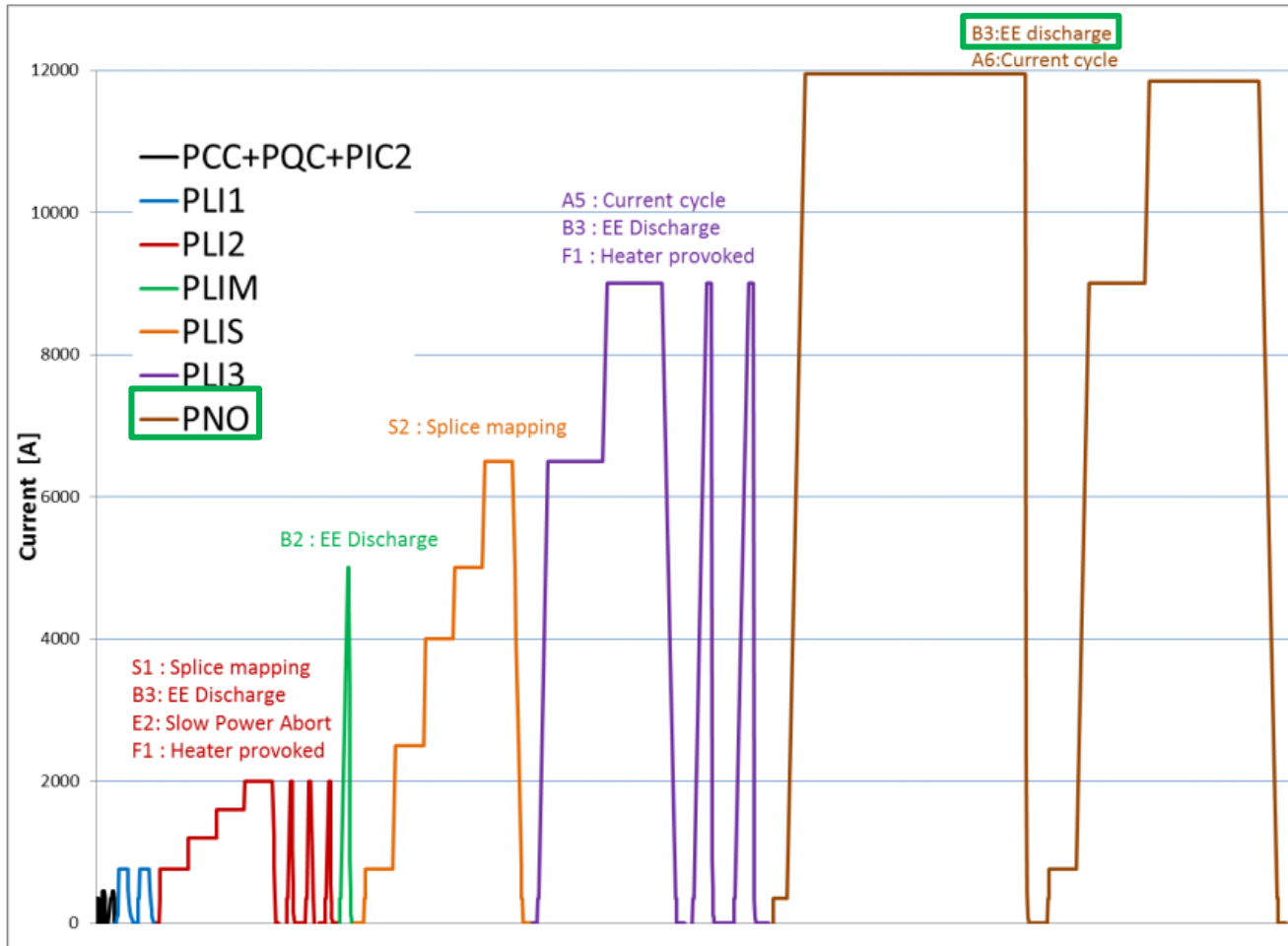
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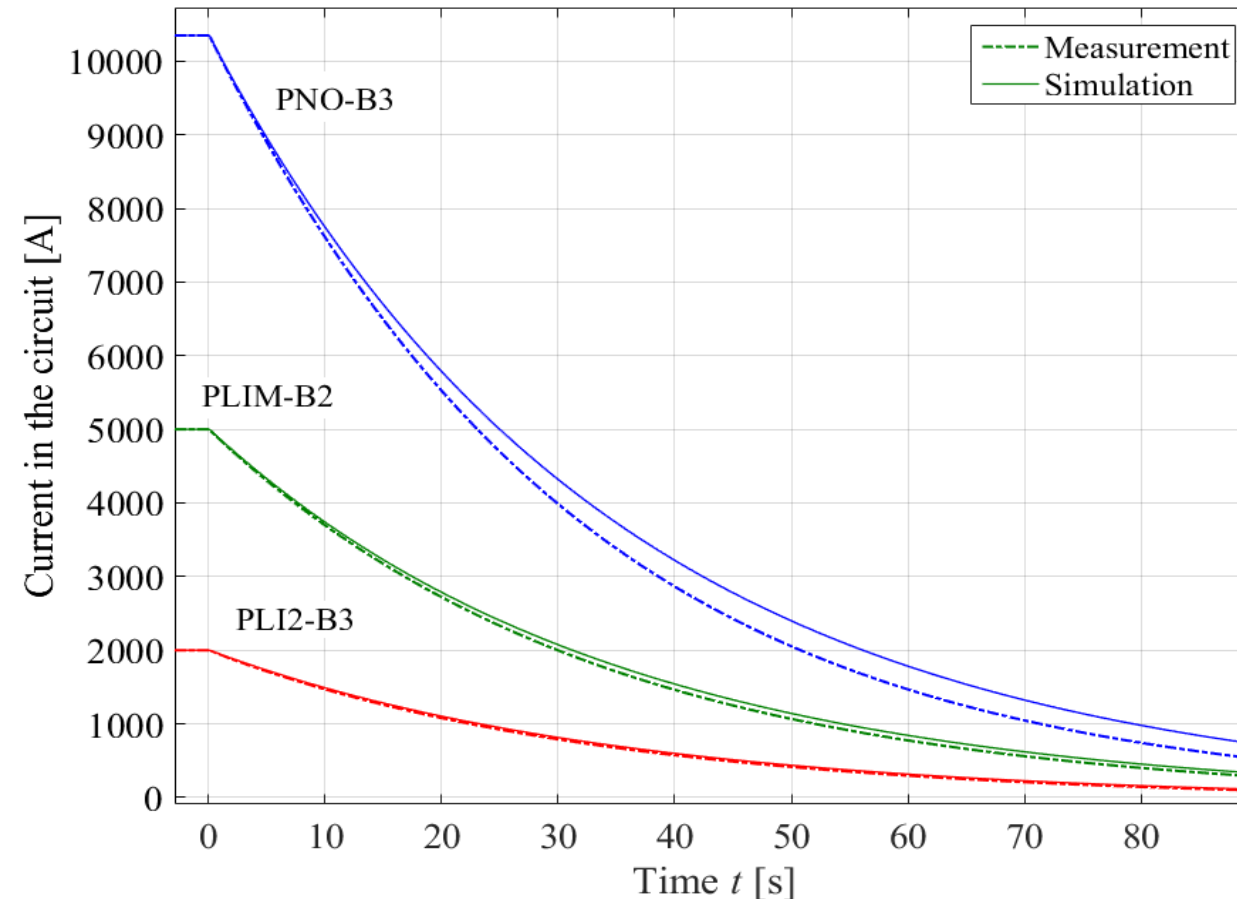
$$t_{\text{EE}} = 82 \text{ ms}$$

PSpice® Parameters:

$$R_{\text{warm}} = 0.664404 \text{ m}\Omega$$

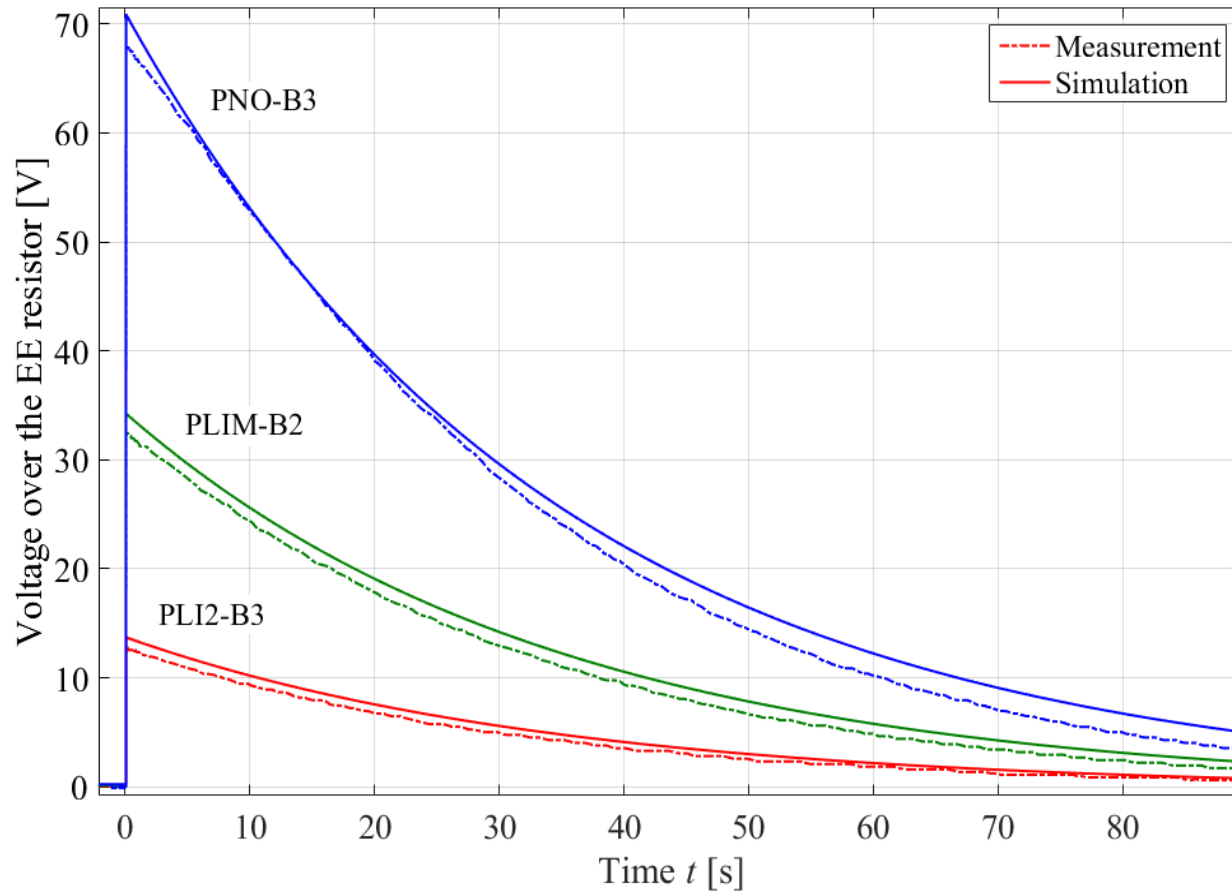
$$R_{\text{EE}} = 6.85 \text{ m}\Omega$$

Maximum difference within the test PNO-B3 is 300 A



Fair agreement with measurement data

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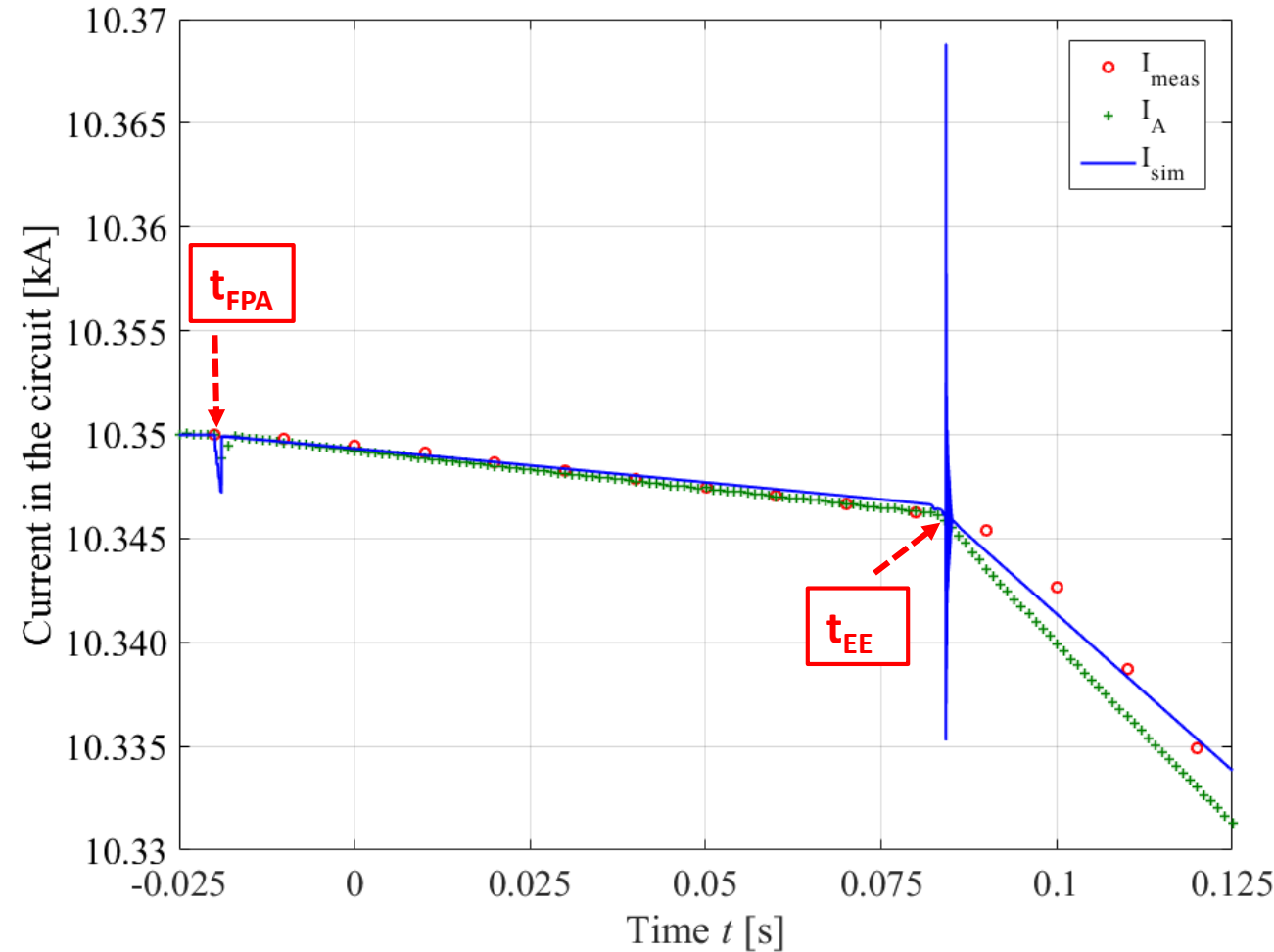
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I_{meas} => Current measured with 100 Hz

I_A => Current measured with 1 kHz

I_{sim} => Simulated current

- Acquisition frequency of 1 kHz is maybe not "enough"

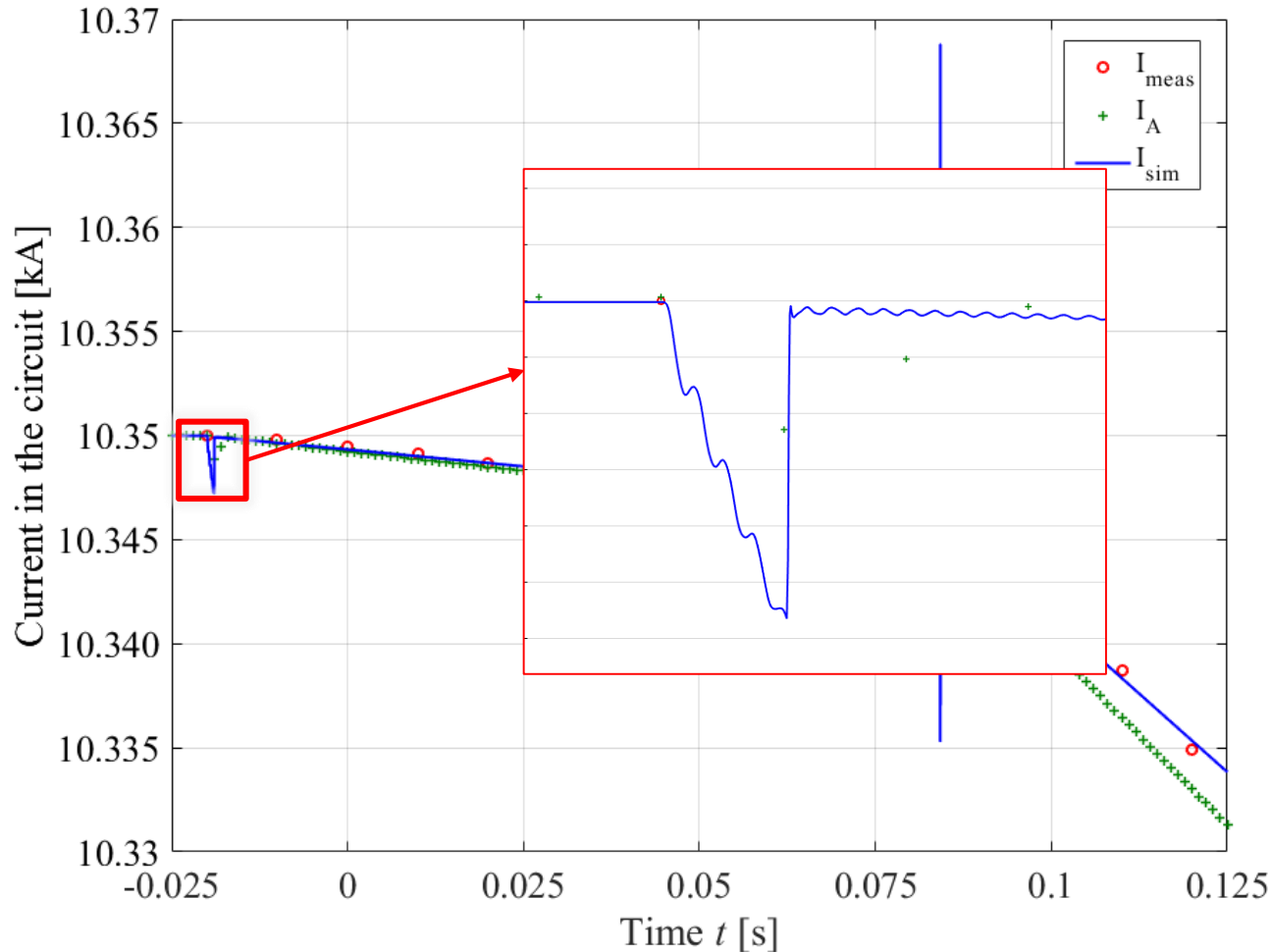
Time constants at the events:

$$\tau_{FPA} = L_M \cdot N_M / R_{warm} = 792.28 \text{ s}$$

$$\tau_{EE} = L_M \cdot N_M / (R_{warm} + R_{EE}) = 72.66 \text{ s}$$

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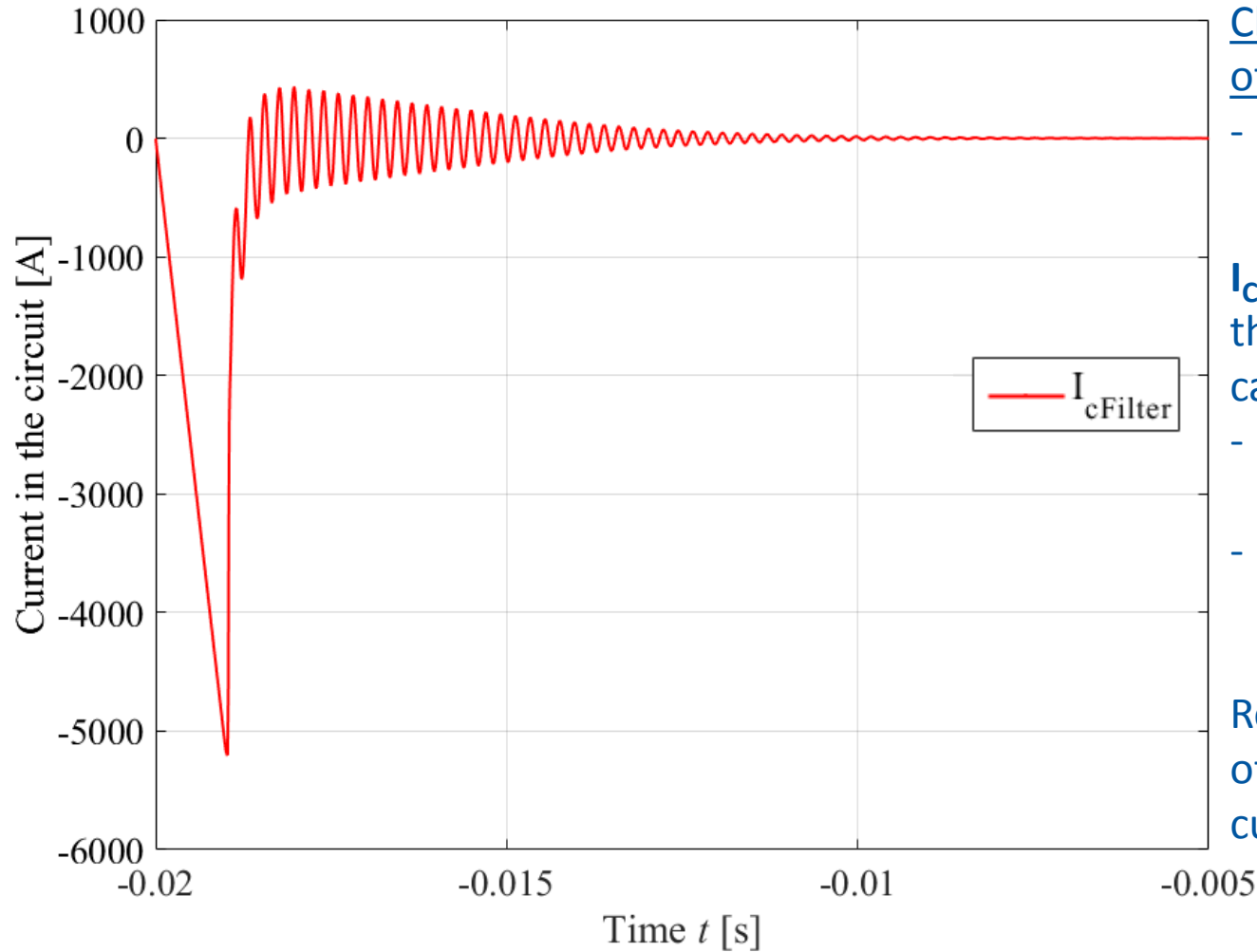
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- Acquisition frequency of 1 kHz is maybe not “enough”
- Oscillation with ~ 4.4 kHz (comes close to the frequency of the output filter transfer function)
- Searching for the peak at t_{FPA}

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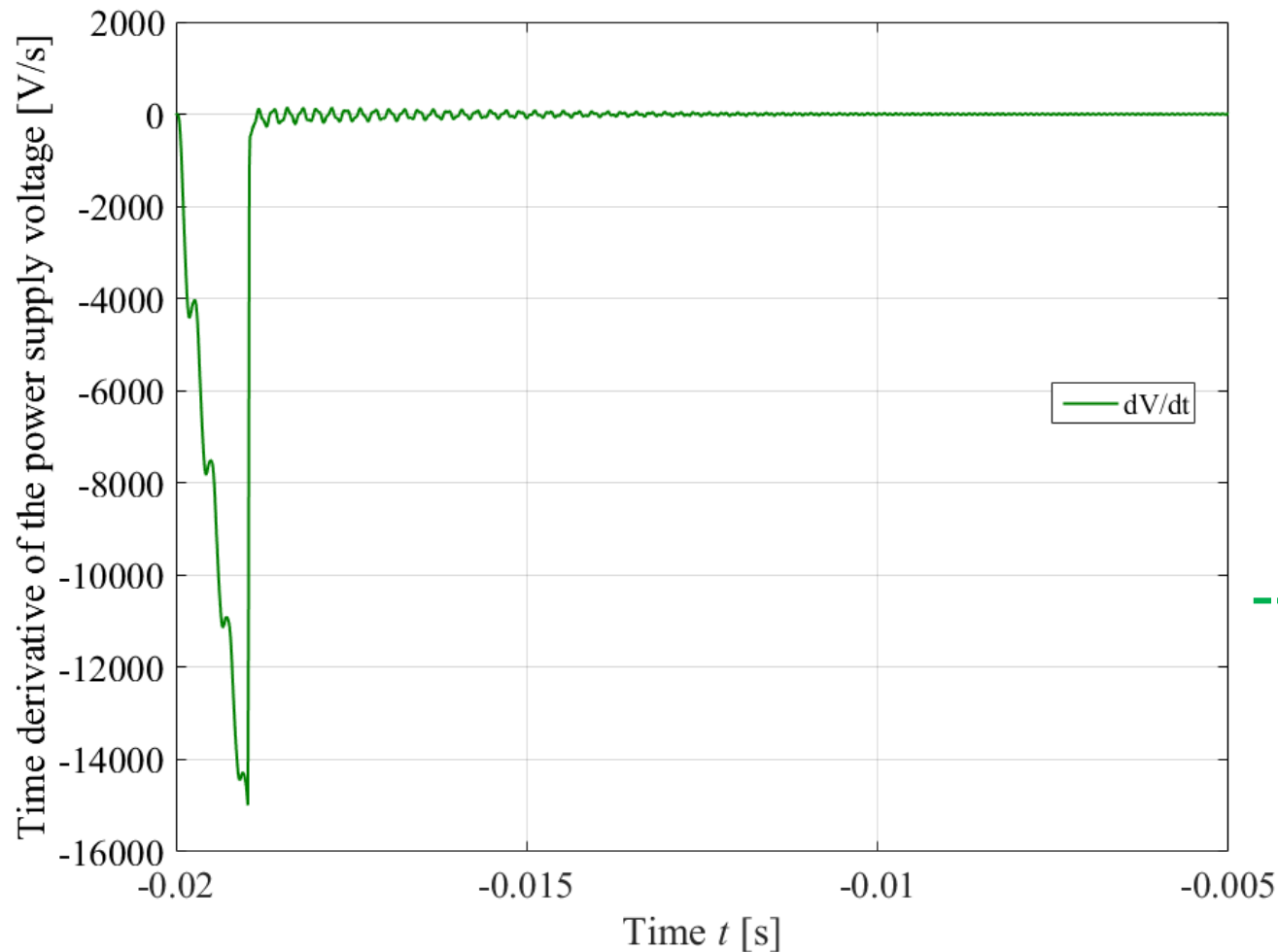
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I_c => Sum of all currents through all parallel capacitors in:

- filter of the Sub Sub module
- Main filter of the power converter

Results in the peak value of the simulated circuit current

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- Searching for the peak at t_{FPA}

Double check:

$$I_C = C \times dU_C / dt$$

- $dU_C / dt = 14987 \text{ V/s}$

- $C = 5202 \text{ A} / 14987 \text{ V/s}$

C = 0.347 F

In the main diode module:

$2 \times 18 \text{ uF} + 18 \times 10 \text{ uF}$

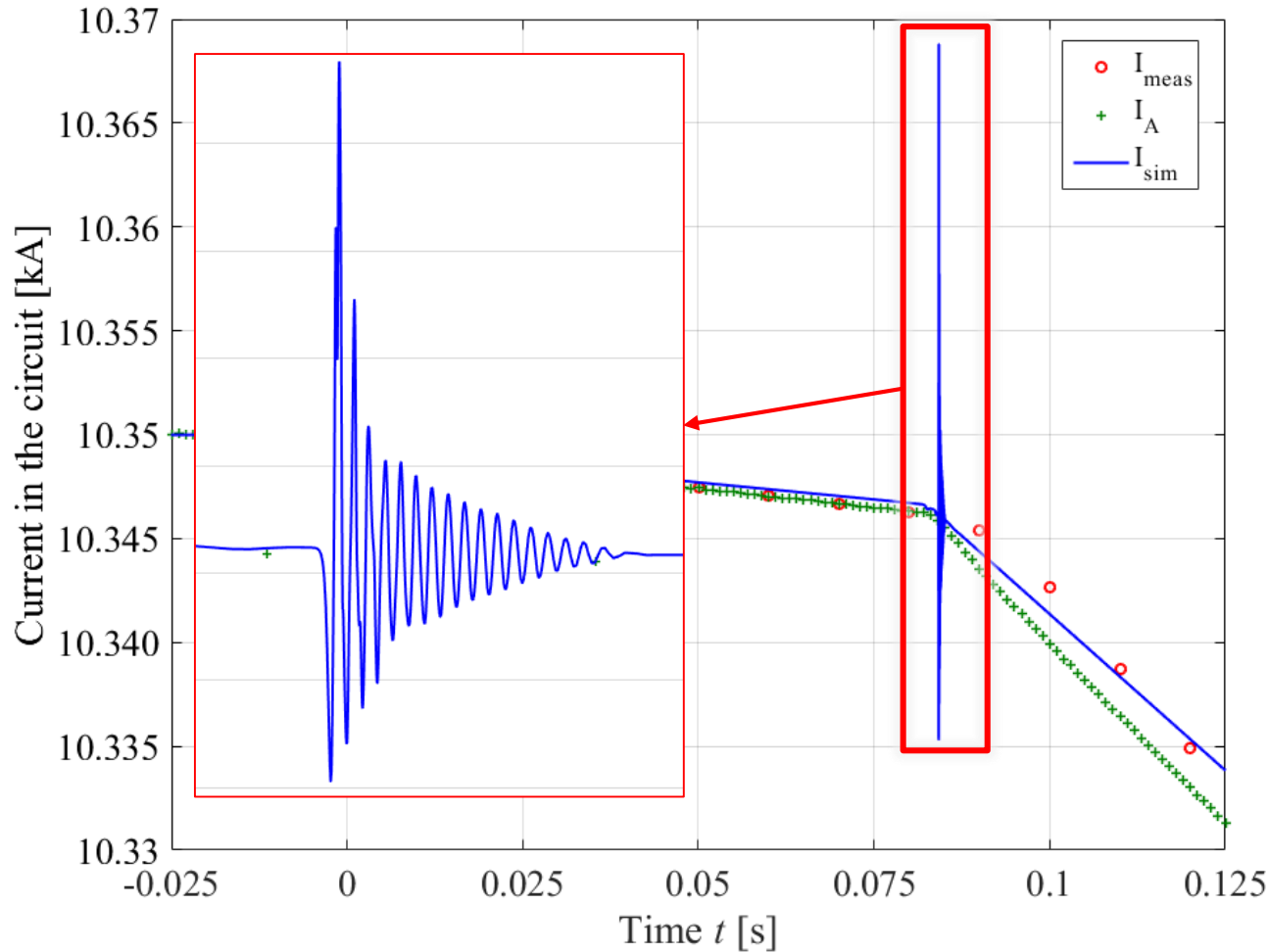
In the sub sub module filter:

$15 \times 10 \text{ mF} + 15 \times 10 \text{ mF}$
 $+ 15 \times 9 \times 470 \text{ uF}$

In total => C = 0.364 F

$\rightarrow r.E [\%] = -4.67 \%$

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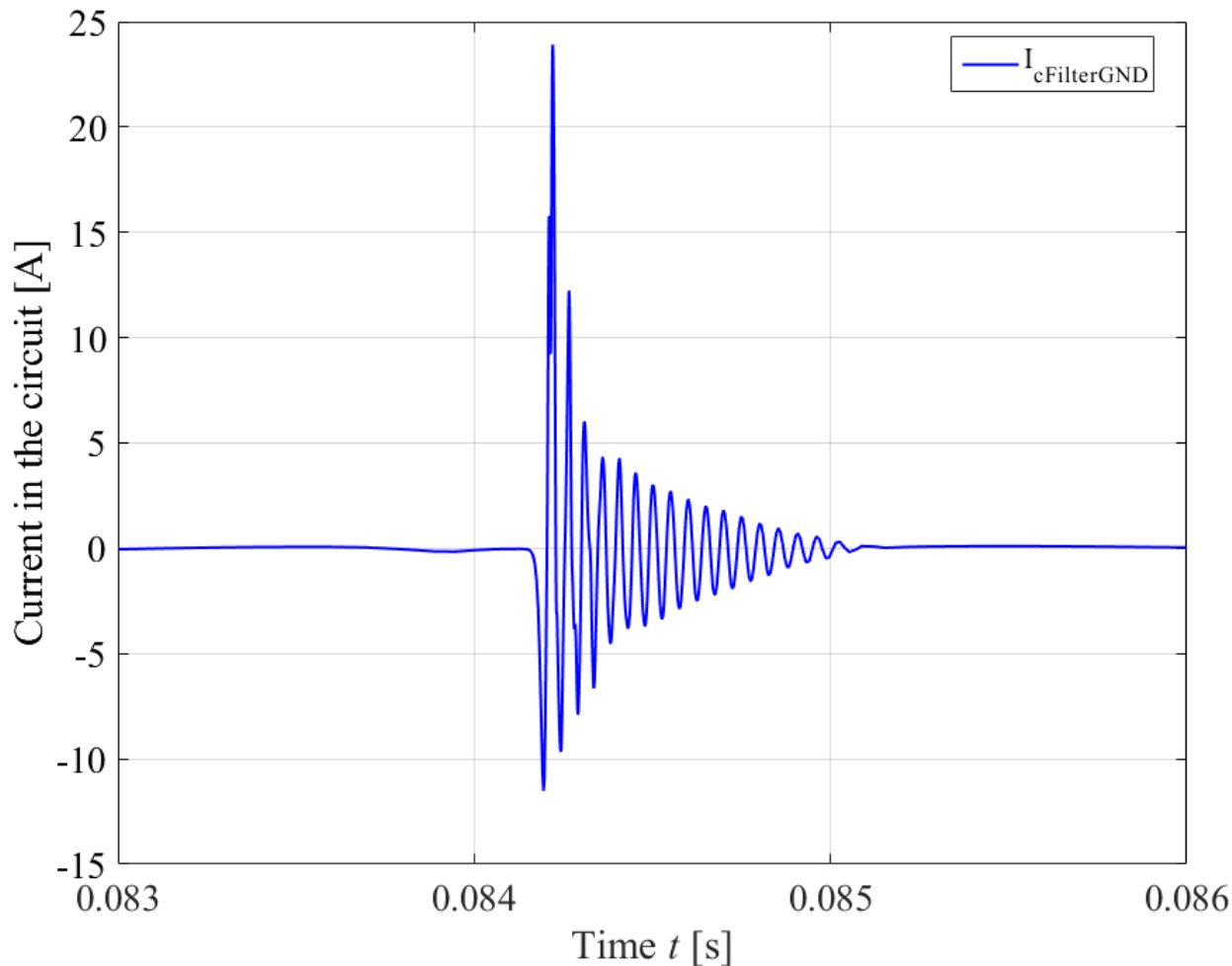
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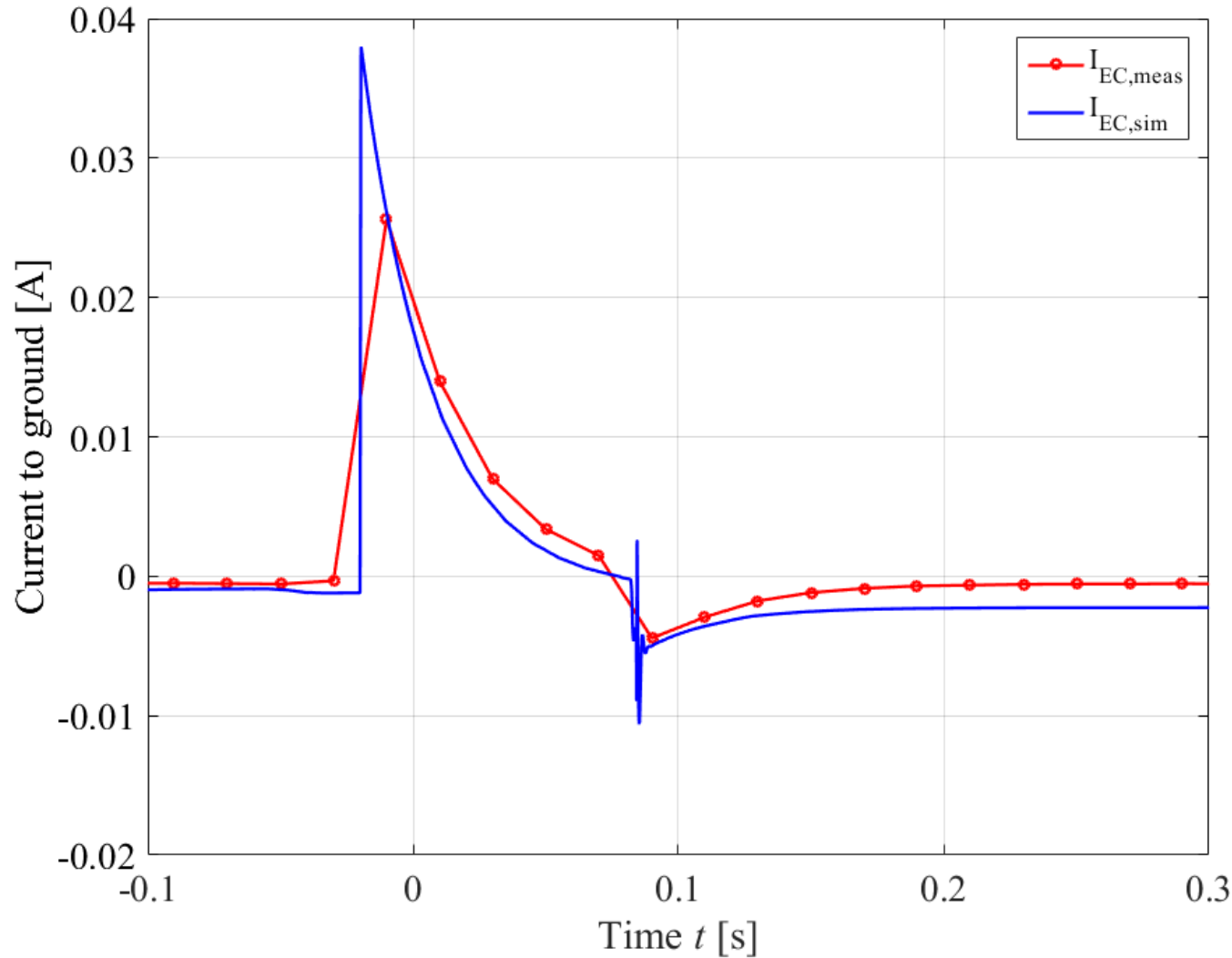
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$I_{C,gnd}$ => Sum of all currents through all capacitors to ground in:

- filter of the Sub Sub module
- Main filter of the power converter
- Capacitors to ground in the magnet models

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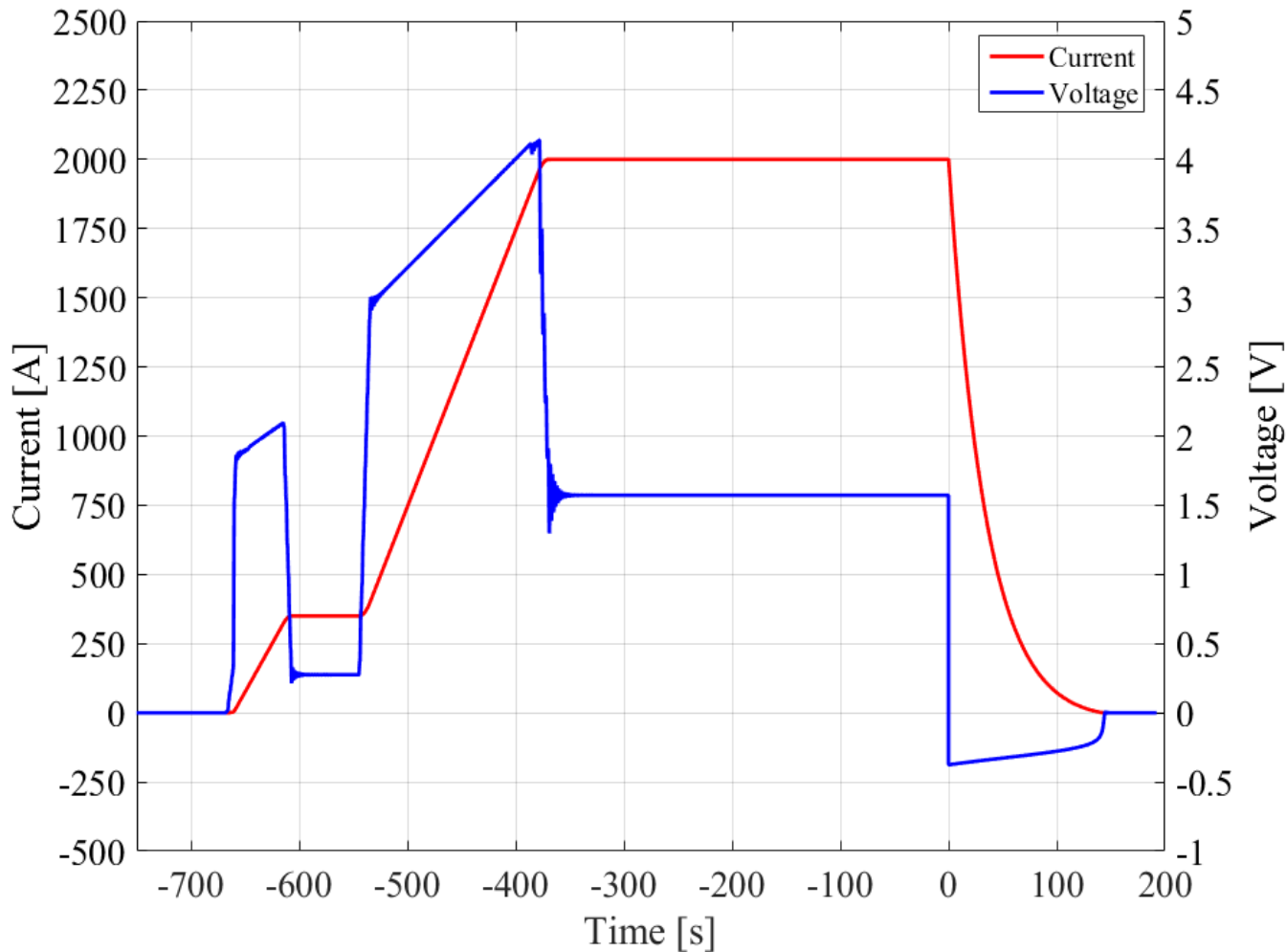
$I_{EC,meas}$ => Current to ground measured with 50 Hz

$I_{EC,sim}$ => Simulated current to ground

- Acquisition frequency of 50 Hz is too low, to see all the oscillations

Good agreement with measurement data

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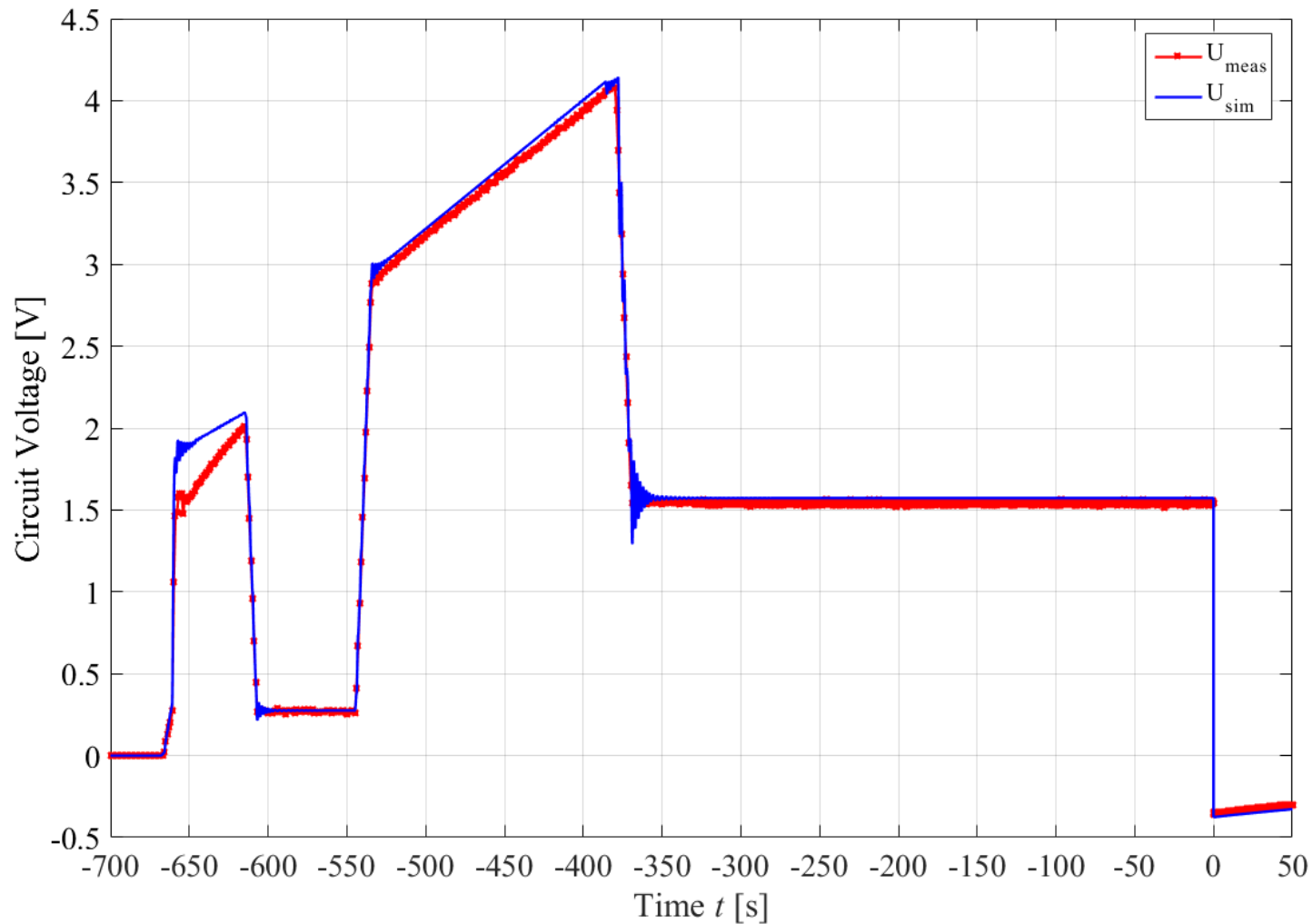


Closer look at the test data of PLI2-B3 (2 kA test):

$U_{PC,sim}$ => Voltage across the PC

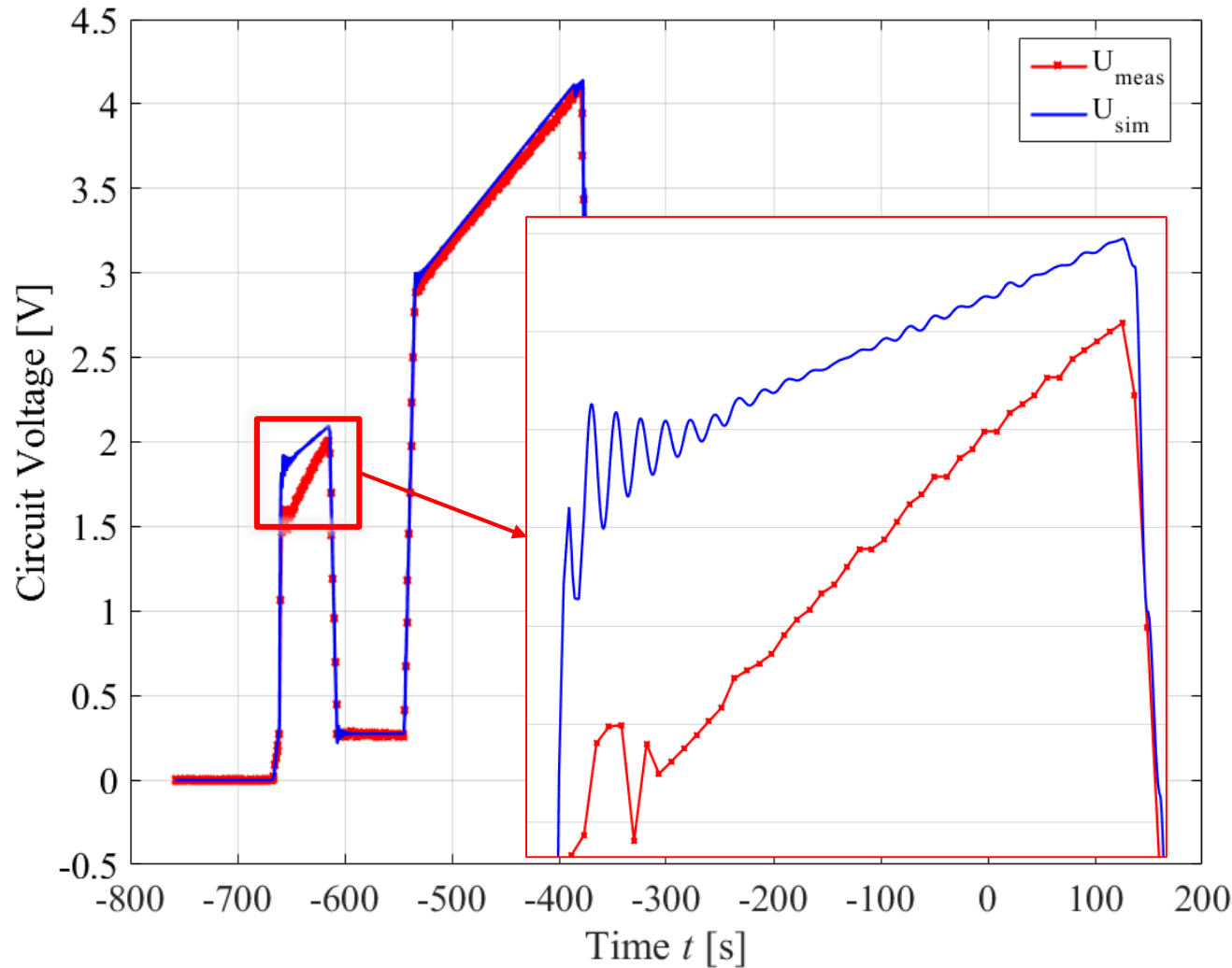
I_{sim} => Simulated circuit current

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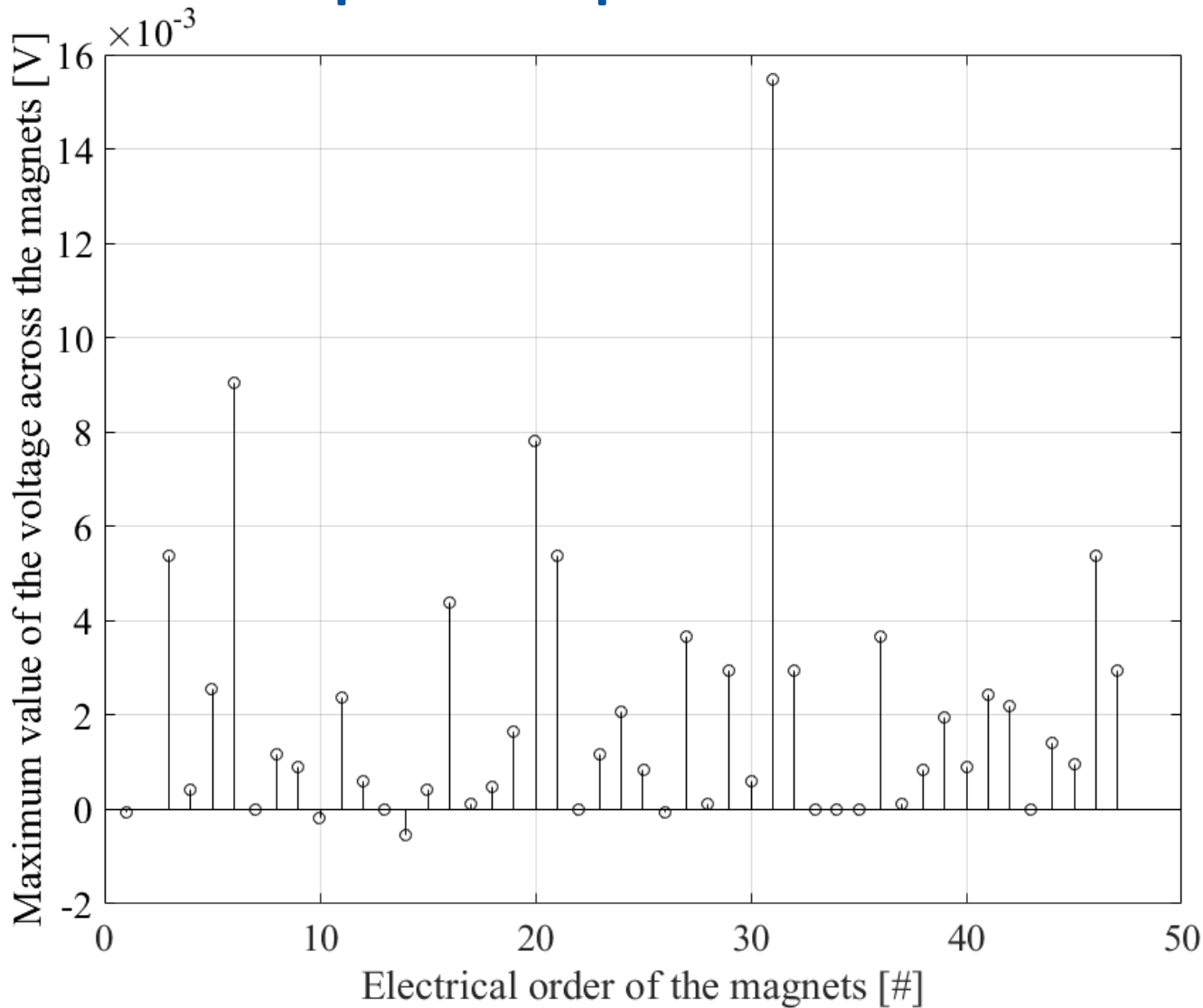
Closer look at the test data of PLI2-B3 (2 kA test):

Discrepancy between measurement and simulation ($\sim 20\%$):

- due to magnetization effects in the superconductor [3]
- Which is not present in the simulation
- effect observed during measurements in the LHC main dipole circuit [3]

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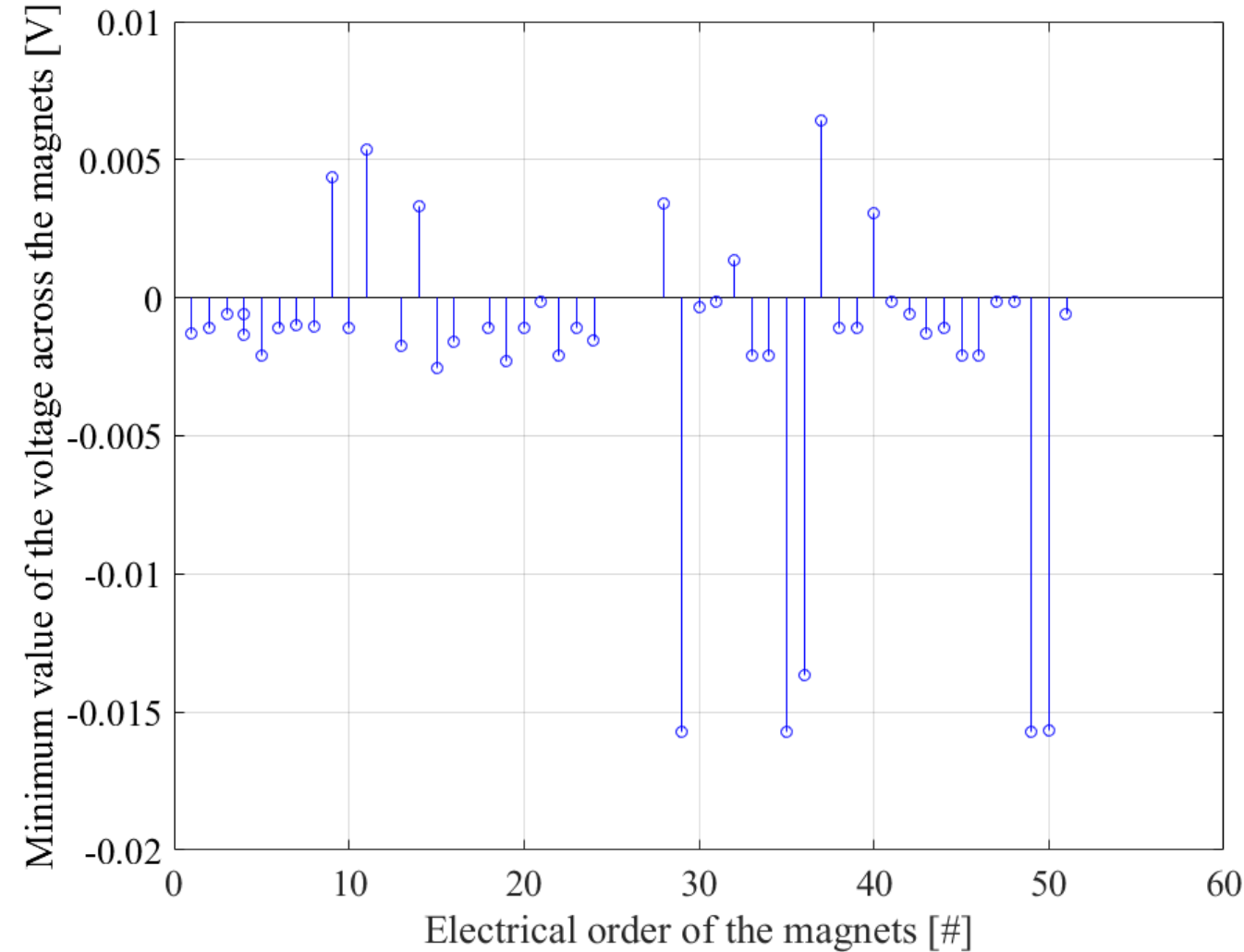
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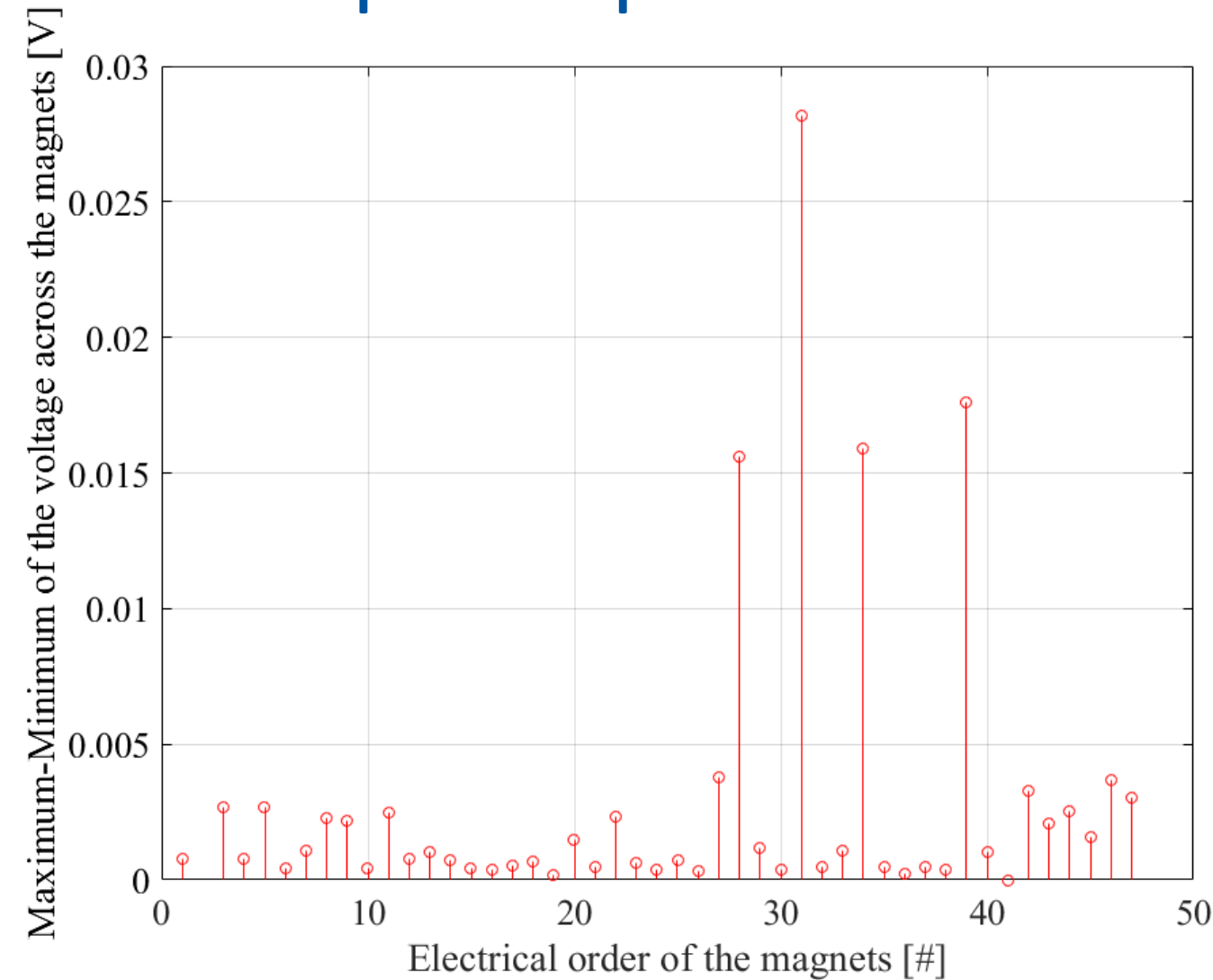
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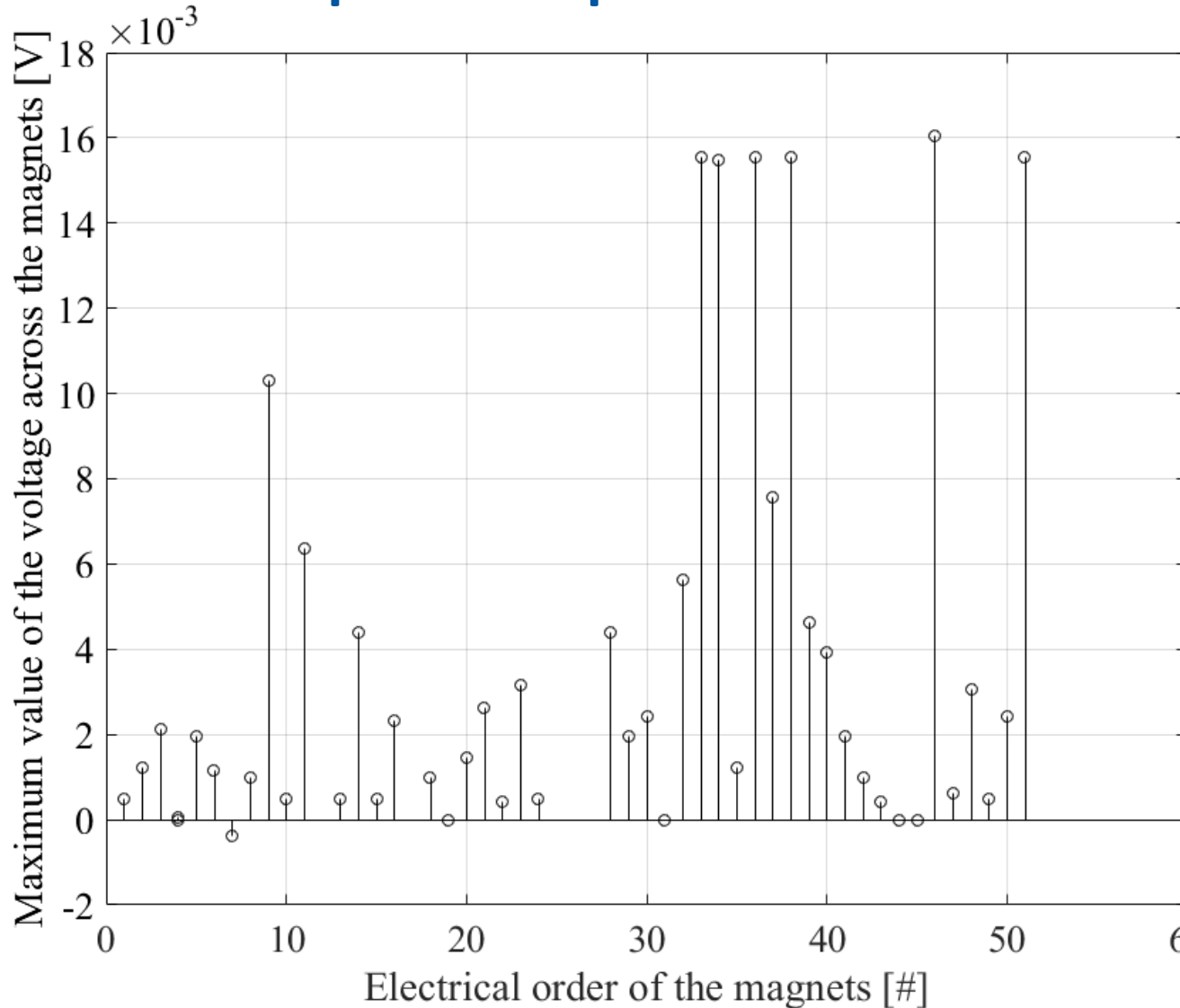
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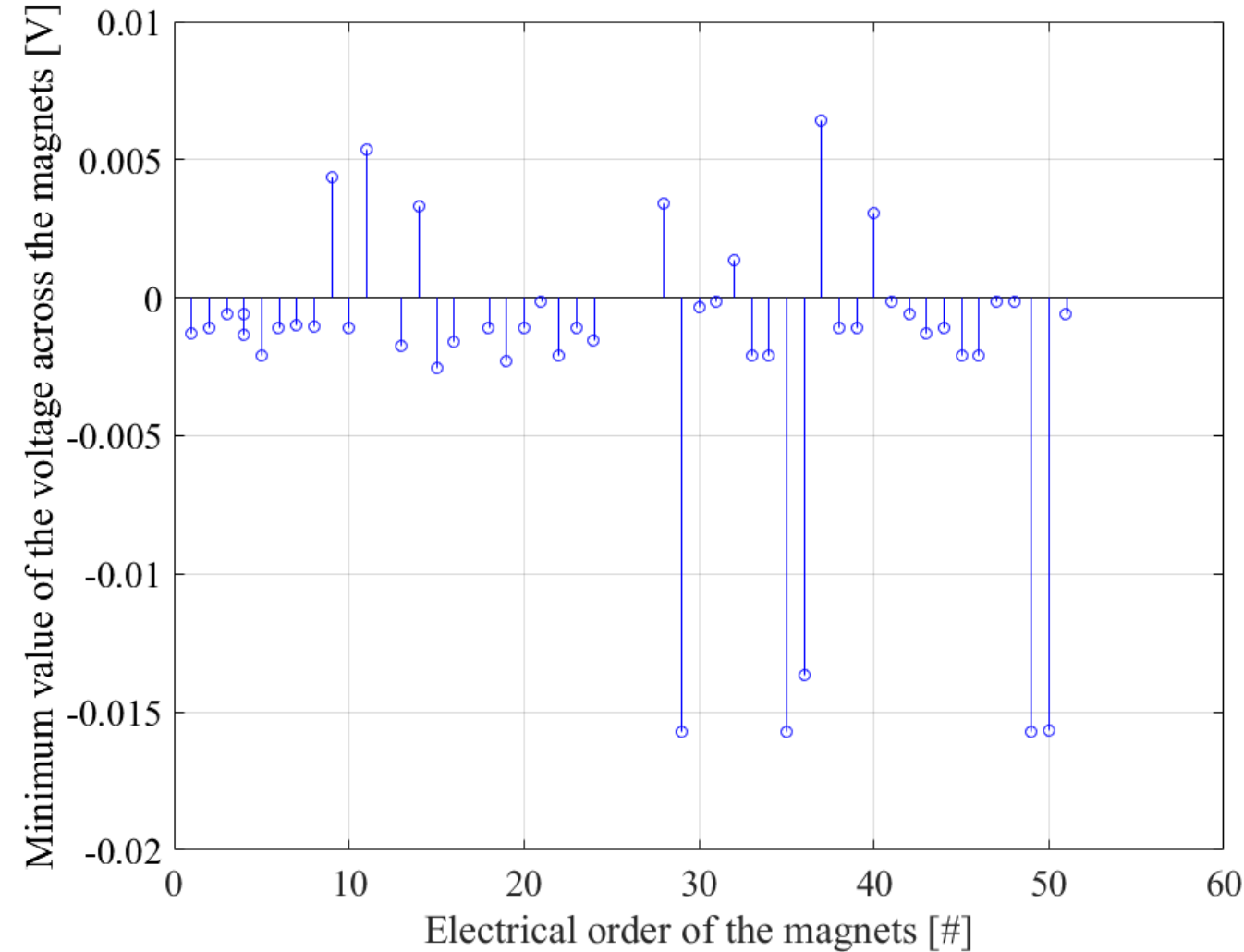
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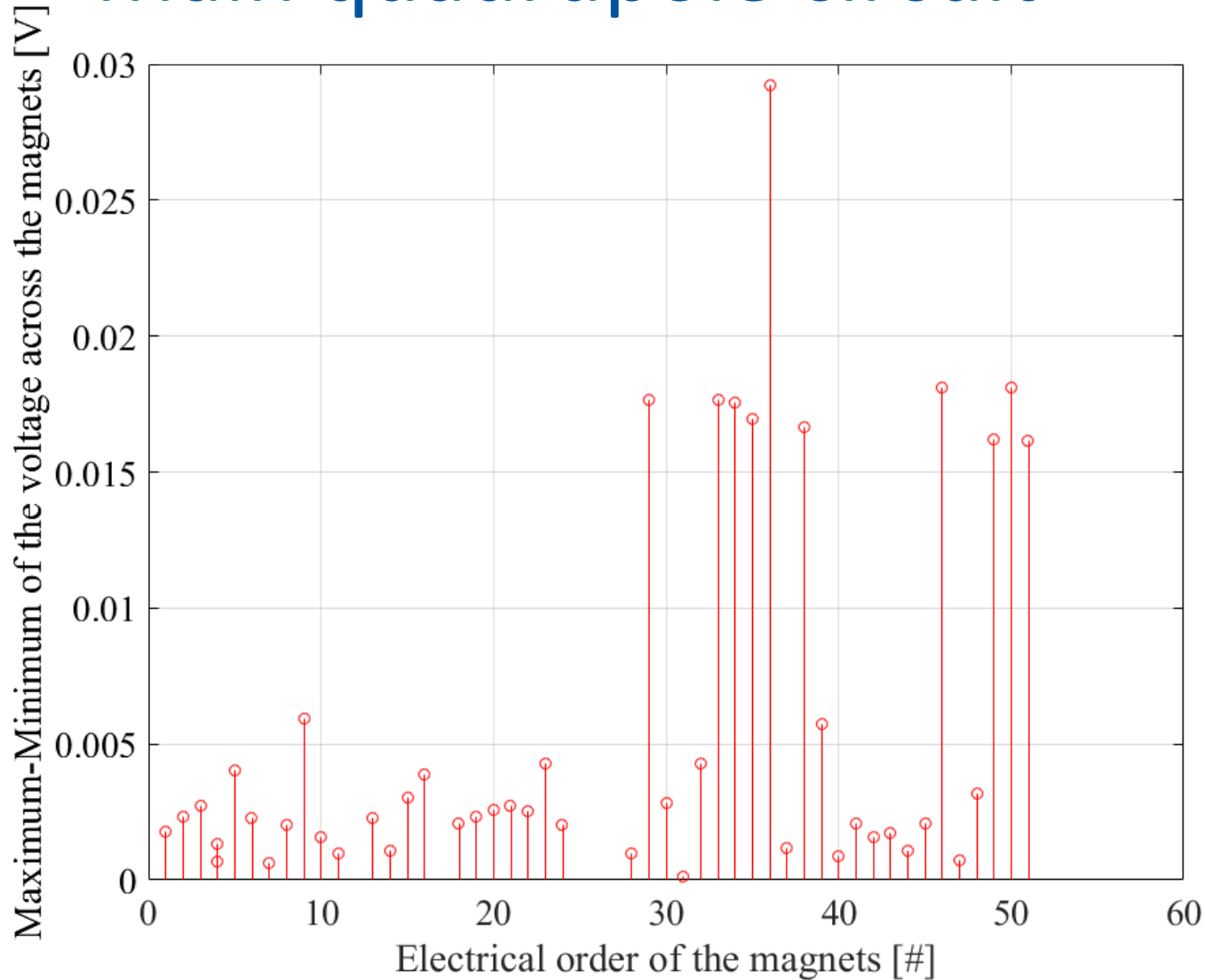
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Checklist for this presentation

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4. Discussing the influence parameters within the model
5. Validation of the circuit model (PSPICE)
6. Progress checklist for this project

Progress checklist – outlook

Working Packages	Status
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Validation of the LHC main quadrupole circuit model (Pspice®) using the test data from HWC	✓
Co-simulation of both models (LEDET, PSPICE) using COSIM	✗

Thesis – progress checklist – outlook

What we want to have in the end?

1. Validated LHC main quadrupole circuit model within PSPICE
2. Validated LHC main quadrupole magnet model within COMSOL
3. Validated LHC main quadrupole magnet model within LEDET
4. Validated Co-Simulation of circuit and magnet model within COSIM
5. Everything documented within the thesis

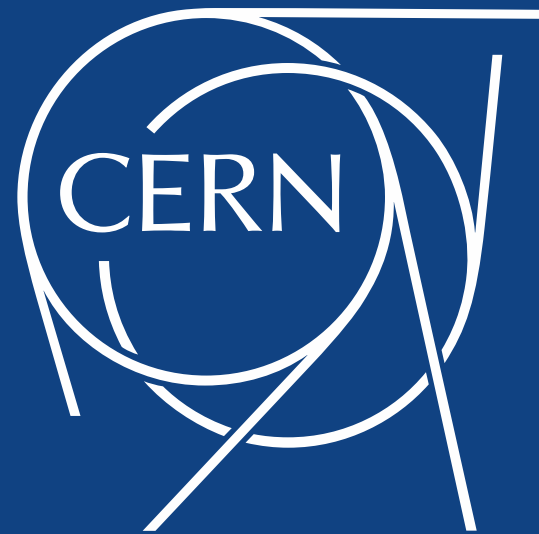
Future Improvement for the LHC main quadrupole circuit model:

1. R_{EE} as a function of quench load, not a constant anymore
2. Cold diodes as a function of temperature [4]

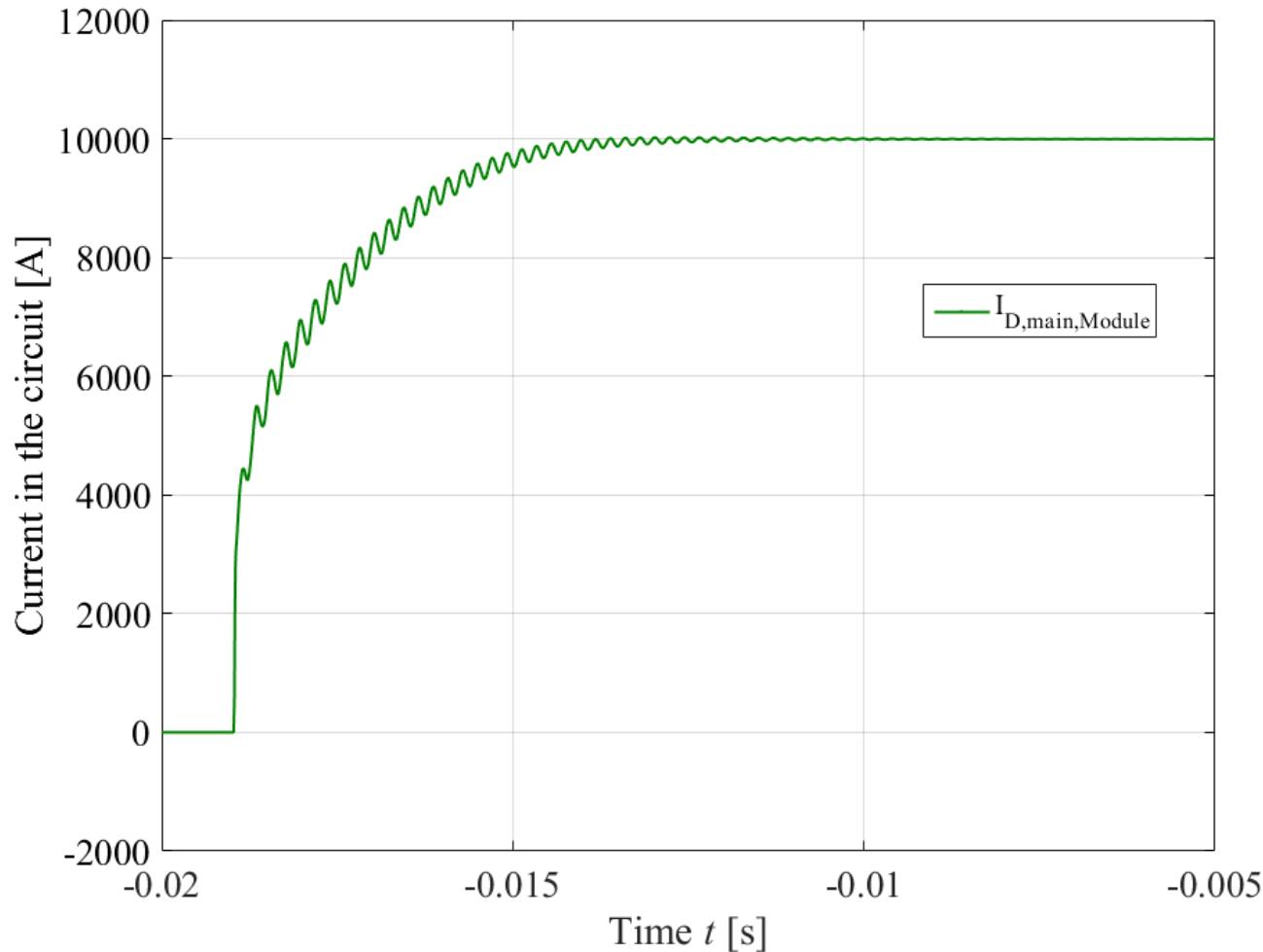
Thank you for your attention!

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Closer look at the test data of PNO-B3 (10.35 kA test):

- Current through the diodes in at t_{FPA}

The 3rd diode branch doesn't get any current

The 1st diode branch gets ~90 % of the test current

→ $I_{D,1branch} = 9.315$ kA

After the simulation:

- 10.0 kA (= 96.6 %)