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# PD Diagnostics on MV cables

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# aim of the presentation

**PD detection**

**PD measurement**

**PD localization**

**types of testing**

## outline

**Introduction – what are partial discharges?**

**How to measure?**

**localization:**

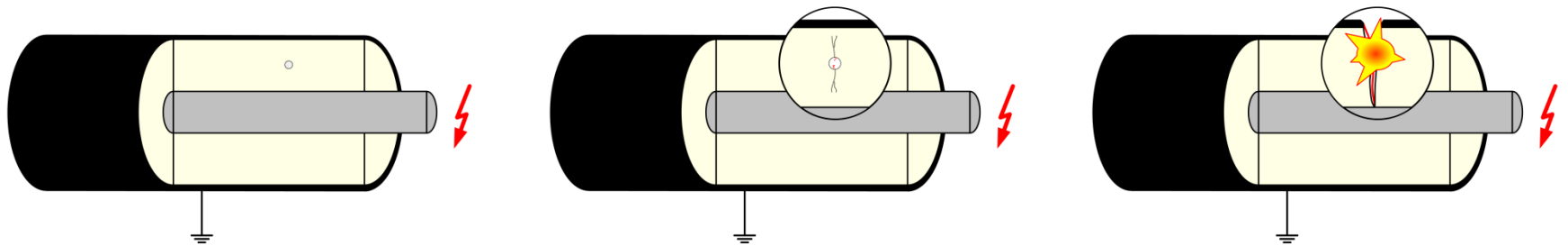
TDR – time domain reflectometry

sTDR – statistical TDR

**overview of technologies in the market**

# What is partial discharge ?

- > Partial discharge (PD) is a localized dielectric breakdown of a small portion of a solid or liquid electrical insulation system under high voltage stress.



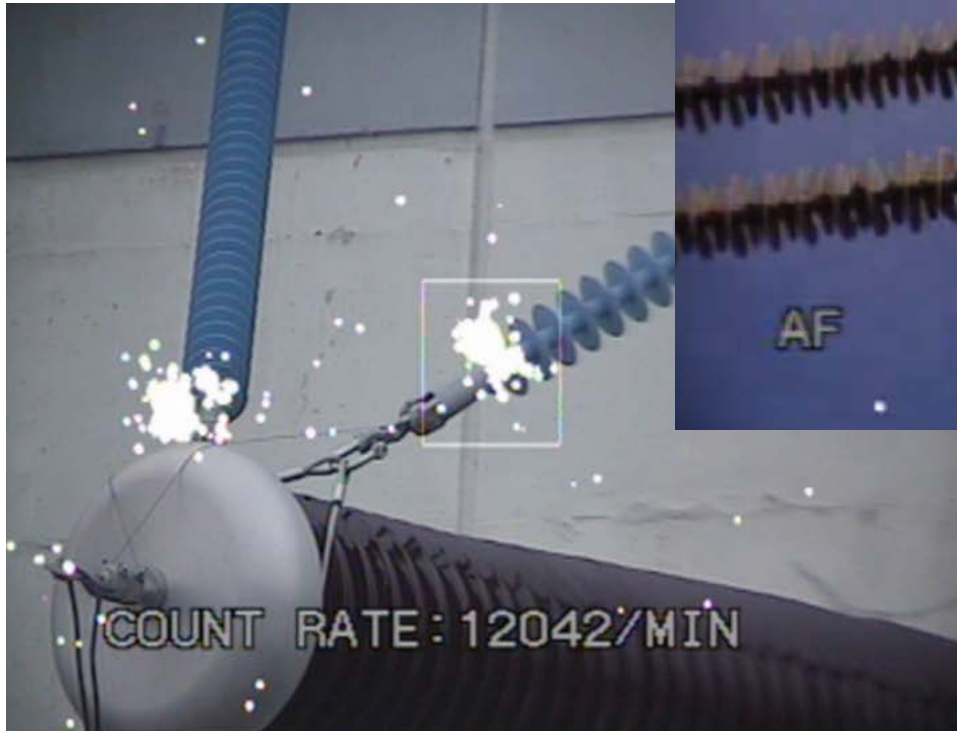
- > Definition from IEC 60270 Specification:  
Localized electrical discharge that only partially bridges the insulation between conductors and which can or cannot occur adjacent to a conductor.

# What are partial discharges?

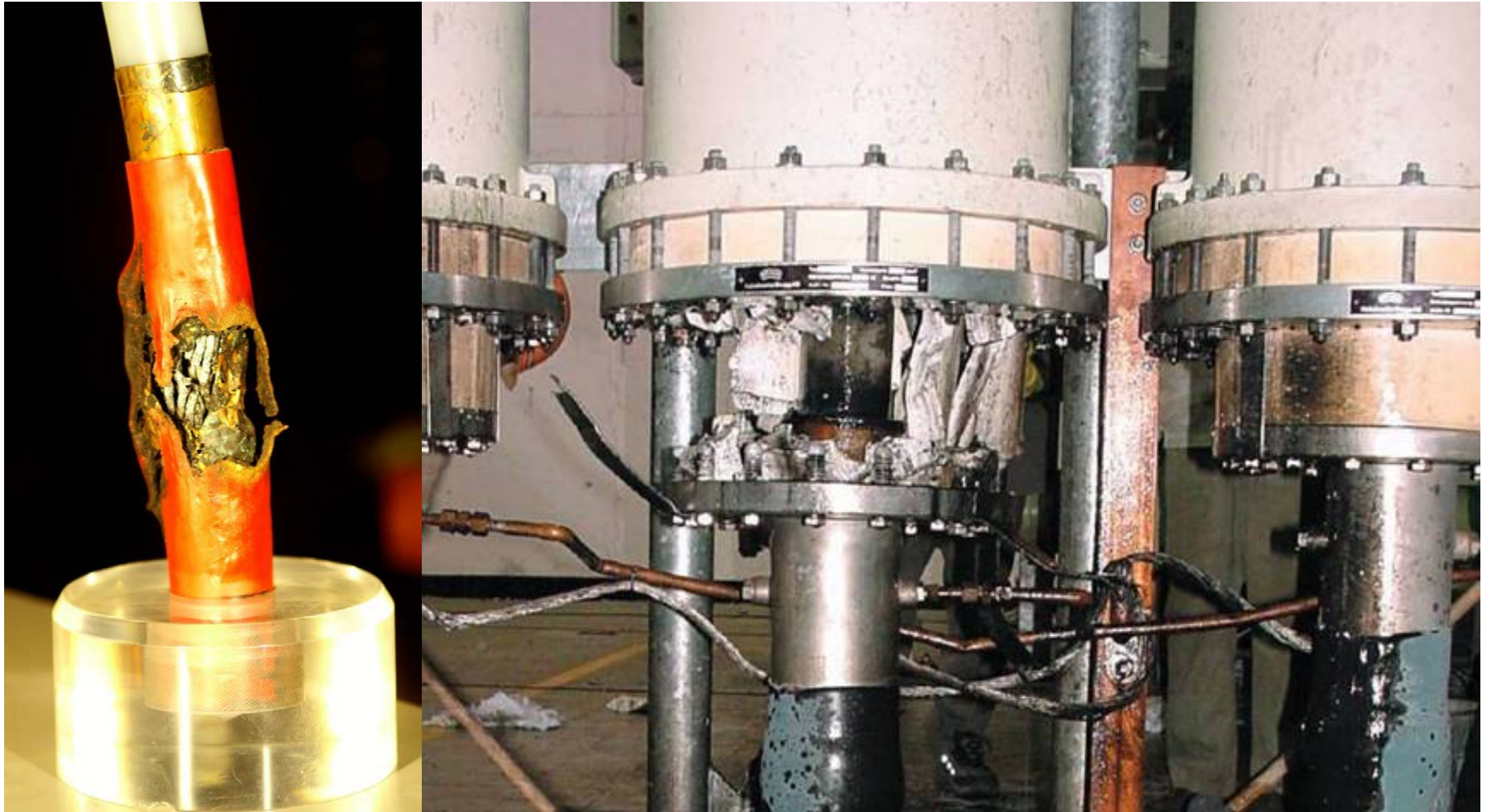
## Partial discharge:

- > Local electrical stress in the insulation or on the surface of the insulation
- > Always generates electromagnetic signals
- > Often accompanied by an emission of sound, light, heat and chemical reactions

# Evidence of partial discharges



# Breakdown of cable and termination



# Evidence of partial discharges

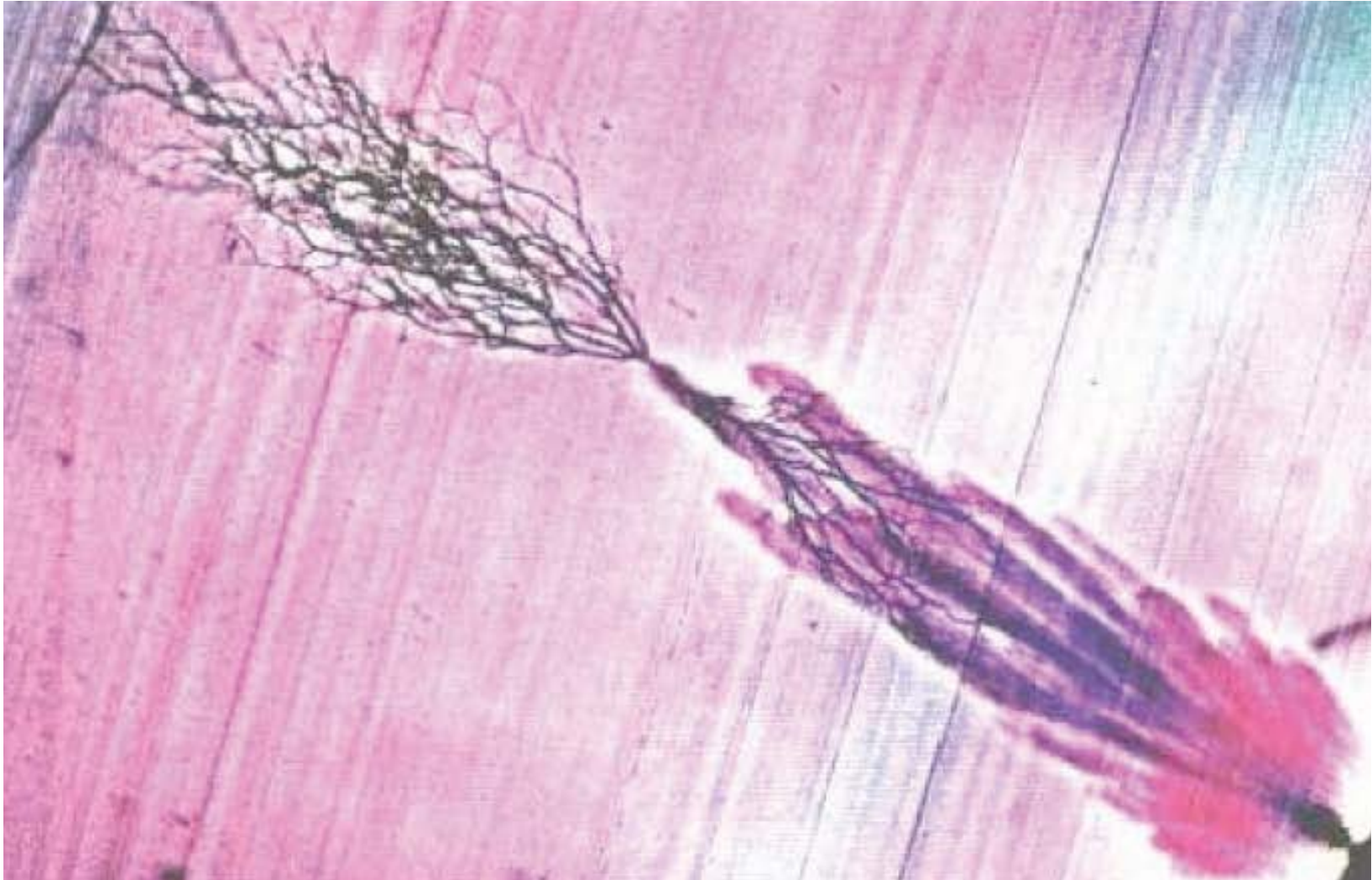
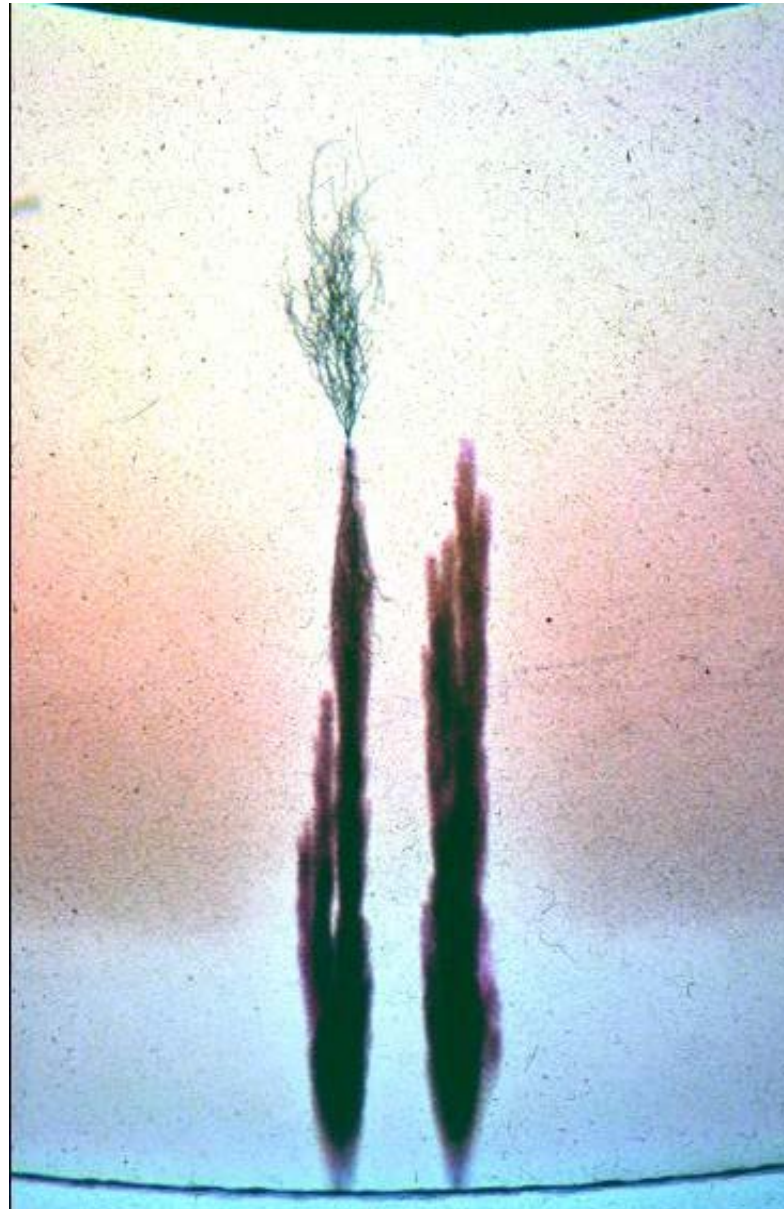


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# Electrical treeing in PE



# Evidence of partial discharges

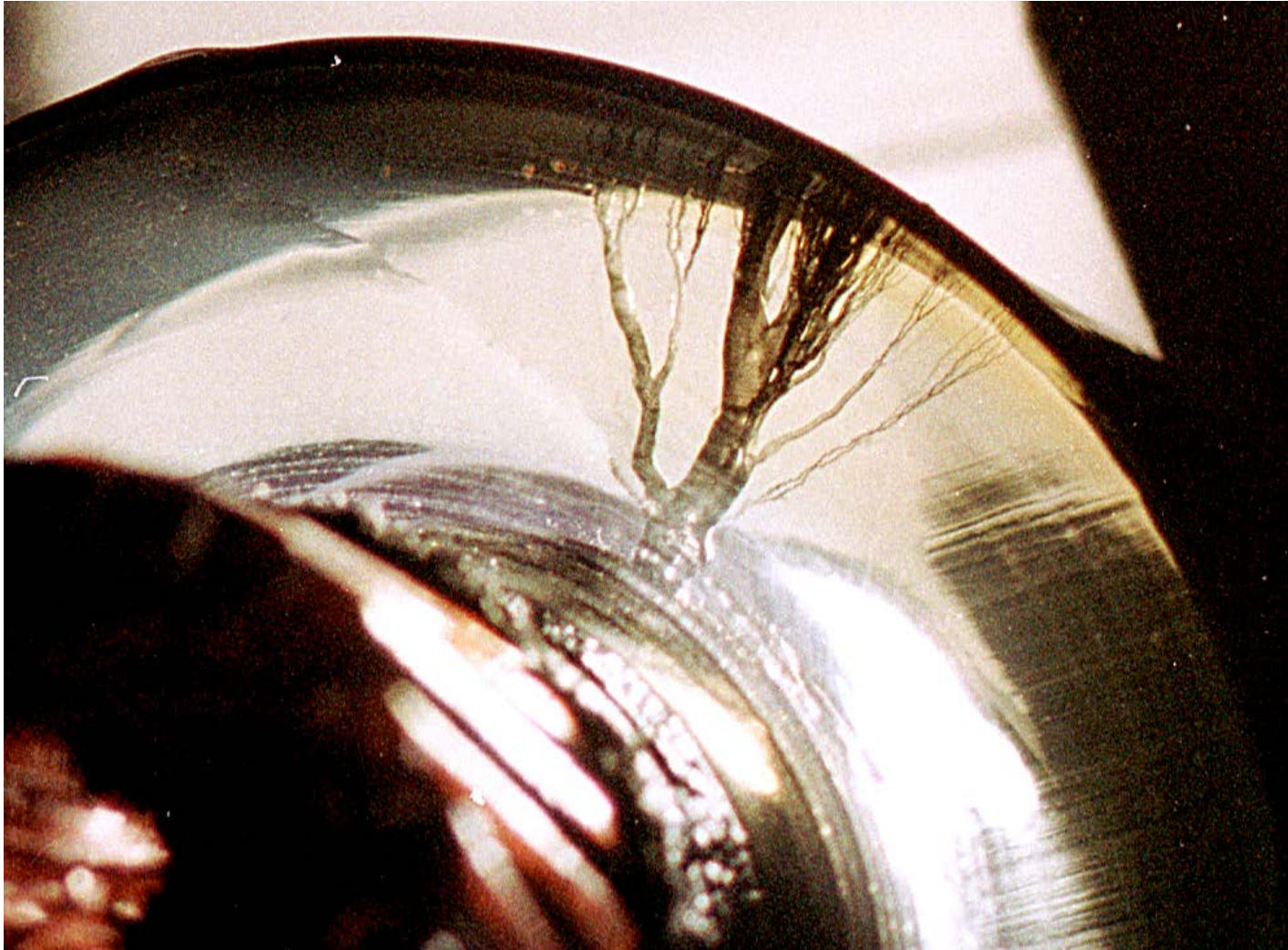
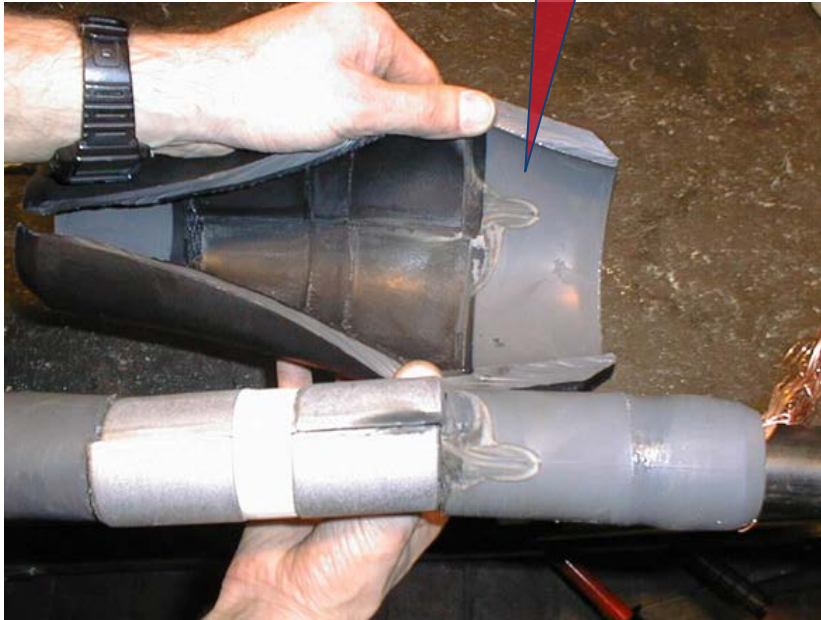
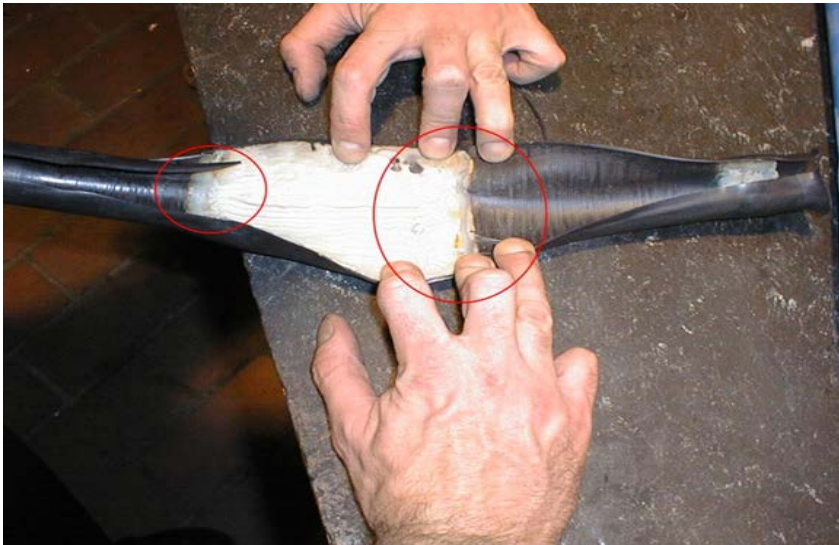


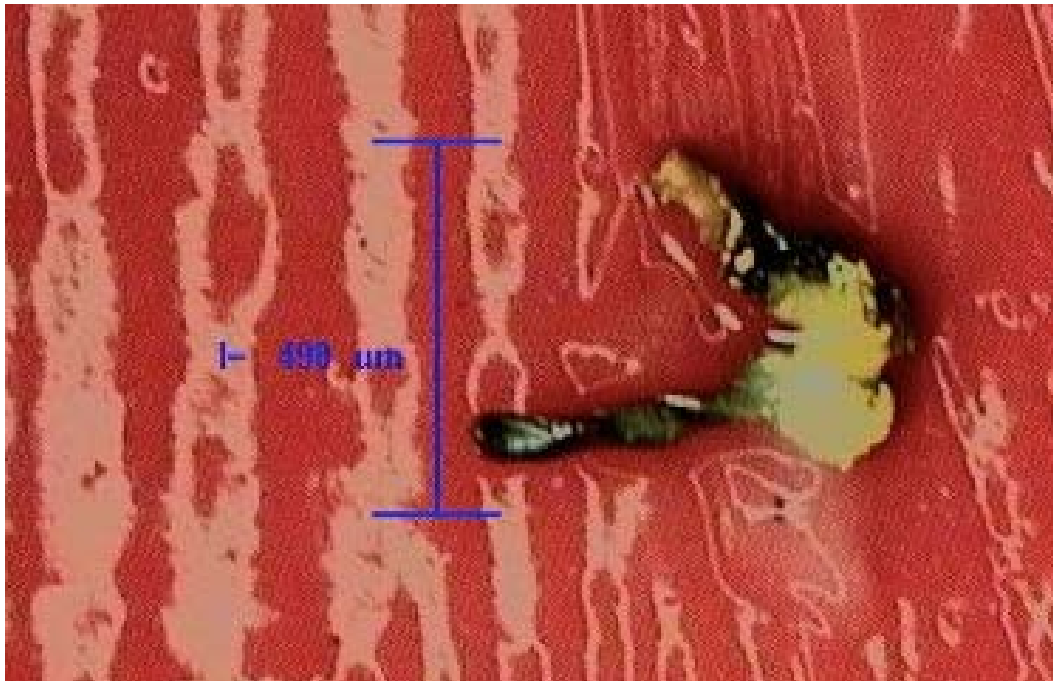
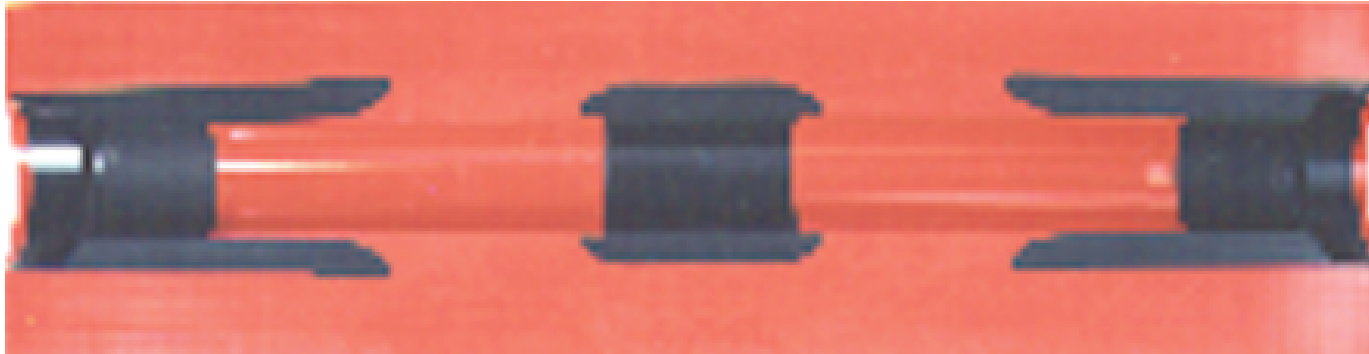
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# Evidence of partial discharges



tracking structures

# Evidence of partial discharges



# Video ...



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# How to measure?

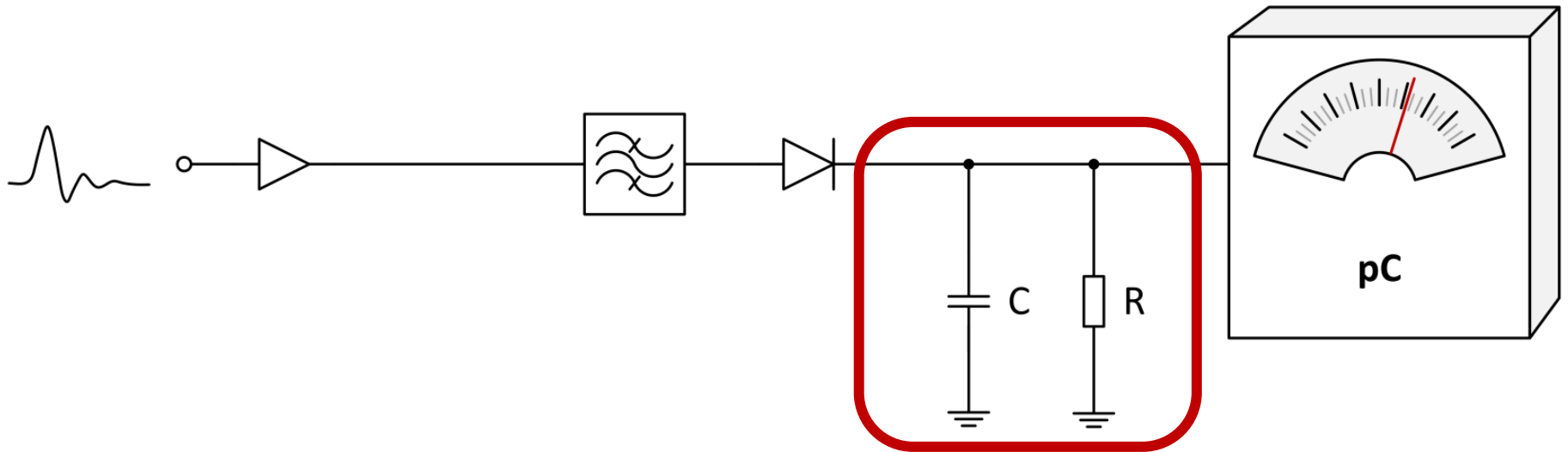
# Charge – How to measure?

> Time Domain Integration

$$q = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} i(t) dt = \frac{1}{R} \int_{t_1}^{t_2} u(t) dt$$

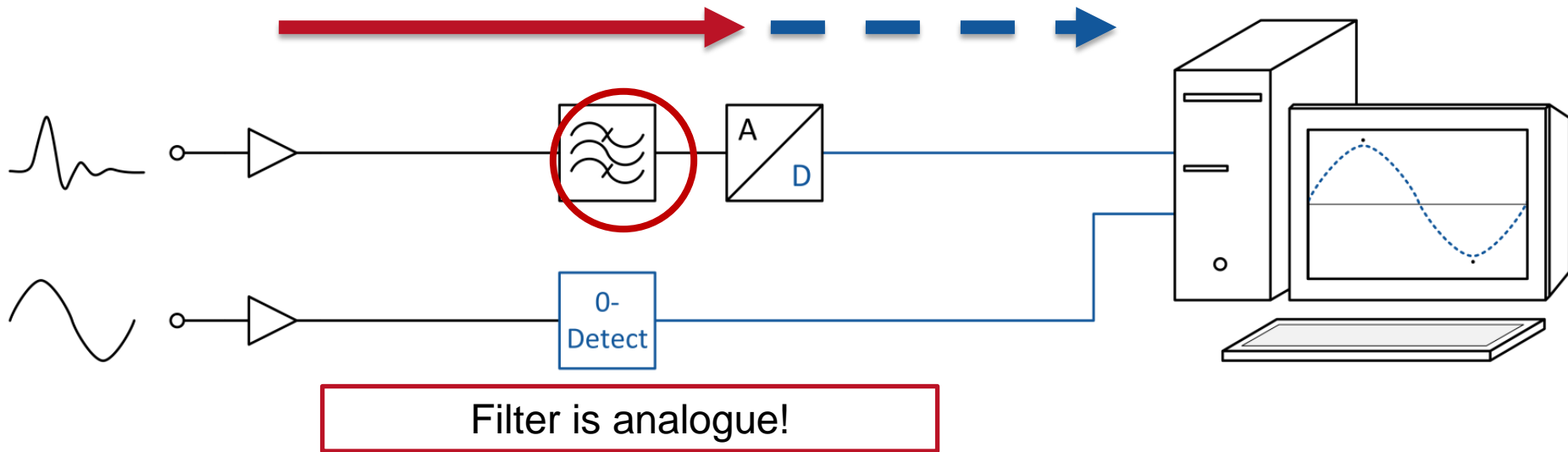


# Analog PD measurement systems

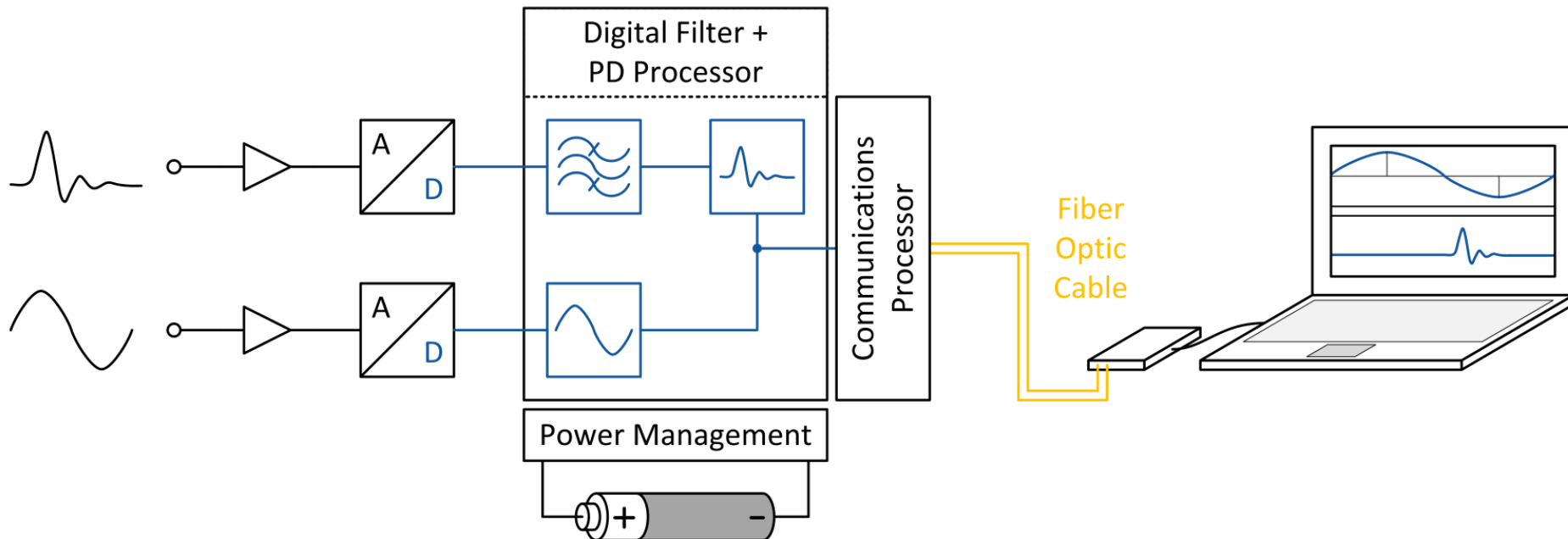




# "Digital" PD measurement systems



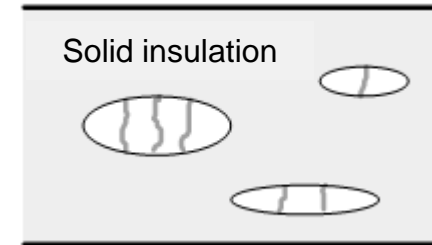
# "Digital PD measurement system with digital filtering



# Types of PD

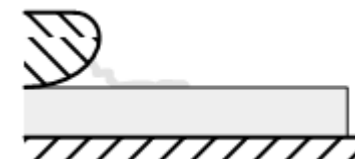
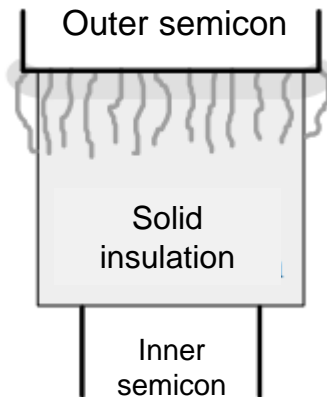
## > Internal PD

- > Void discharges, „electrical treeing“

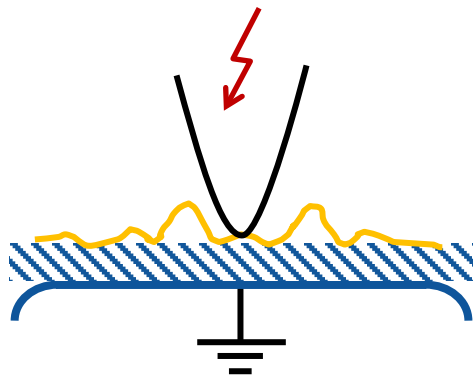


## > External PD

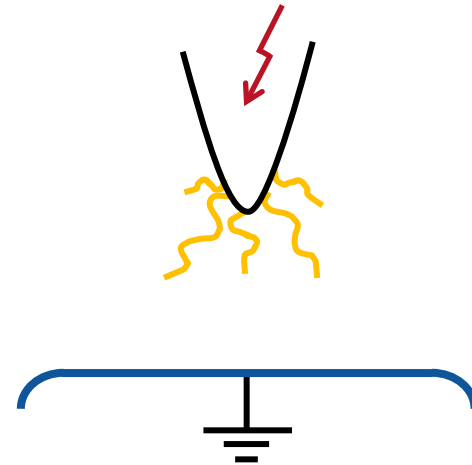
- > Corona
- > Surface discharges



# External PD

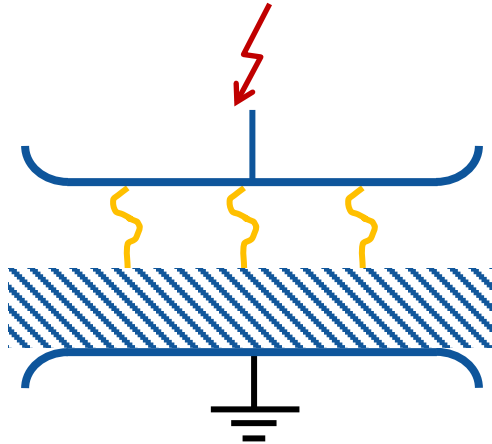


Surface discharge

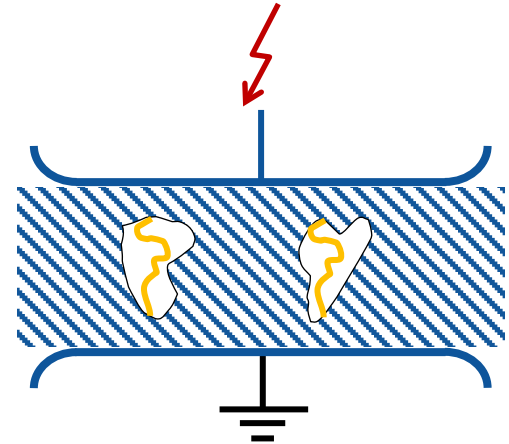


Corona discharge

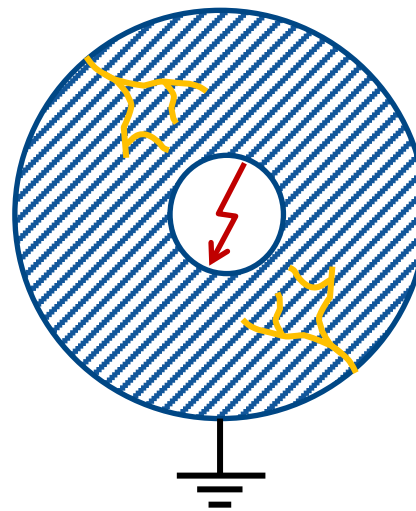
# Internal PD



Internal discharge  
in laminated material

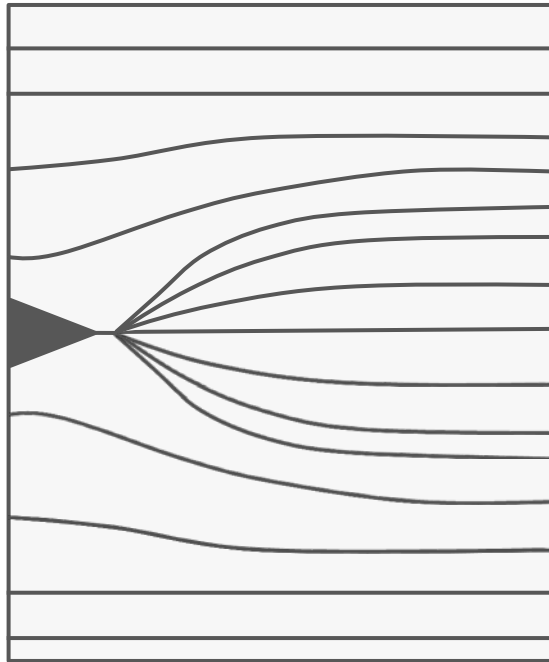


Cavity / void discharge

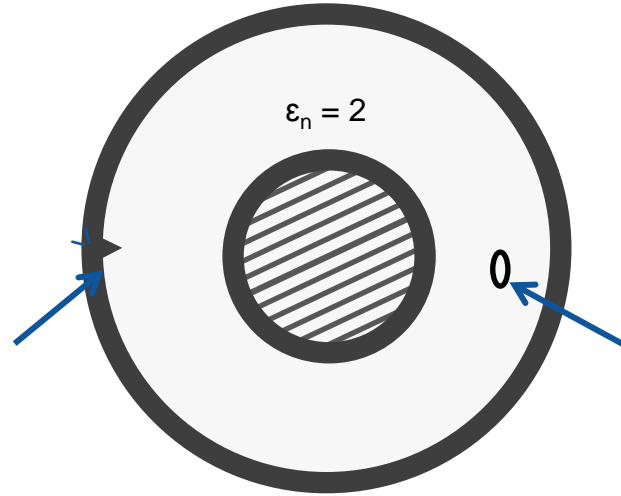


Treeing

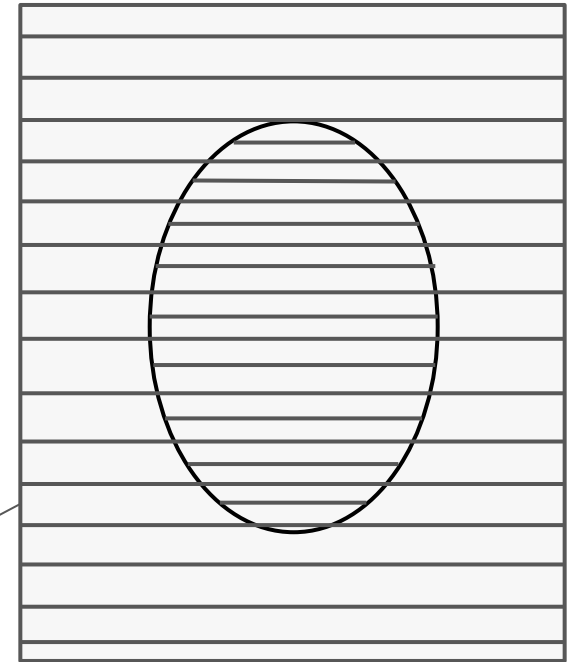
# PD classification



Semicon layer protrusion  
(stress concentration at the tip)



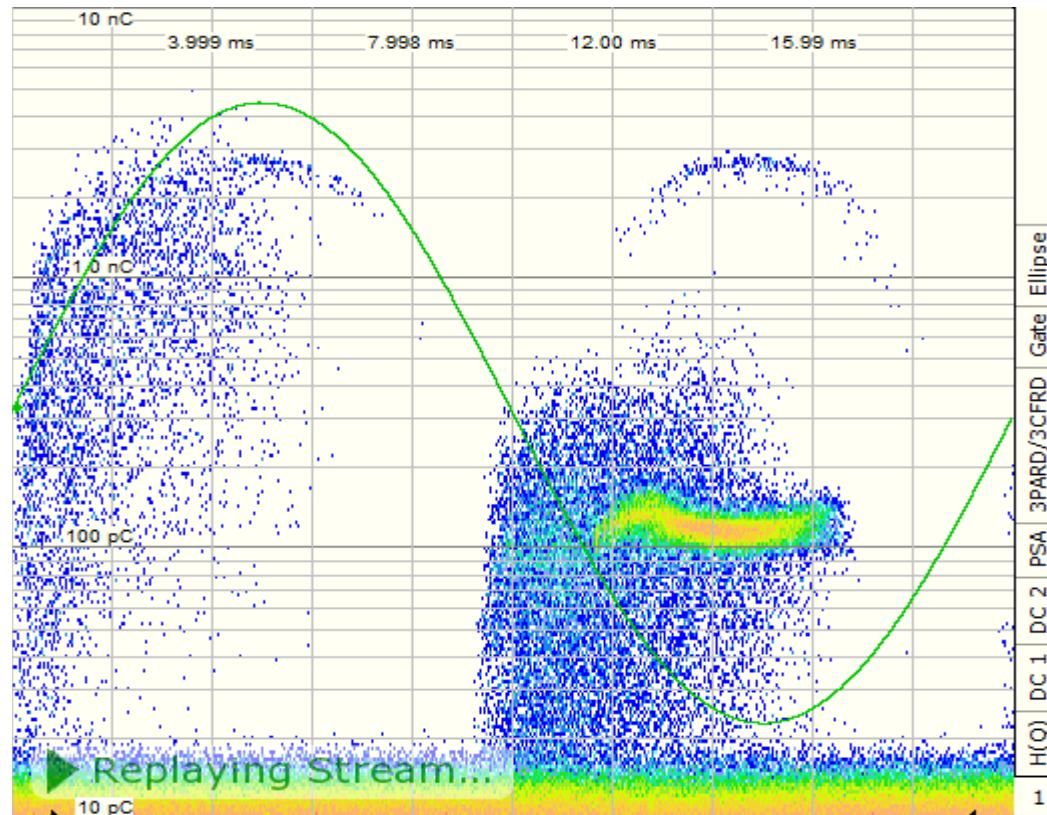
Lines of  
electrical field



Void  
(field strength doubling)

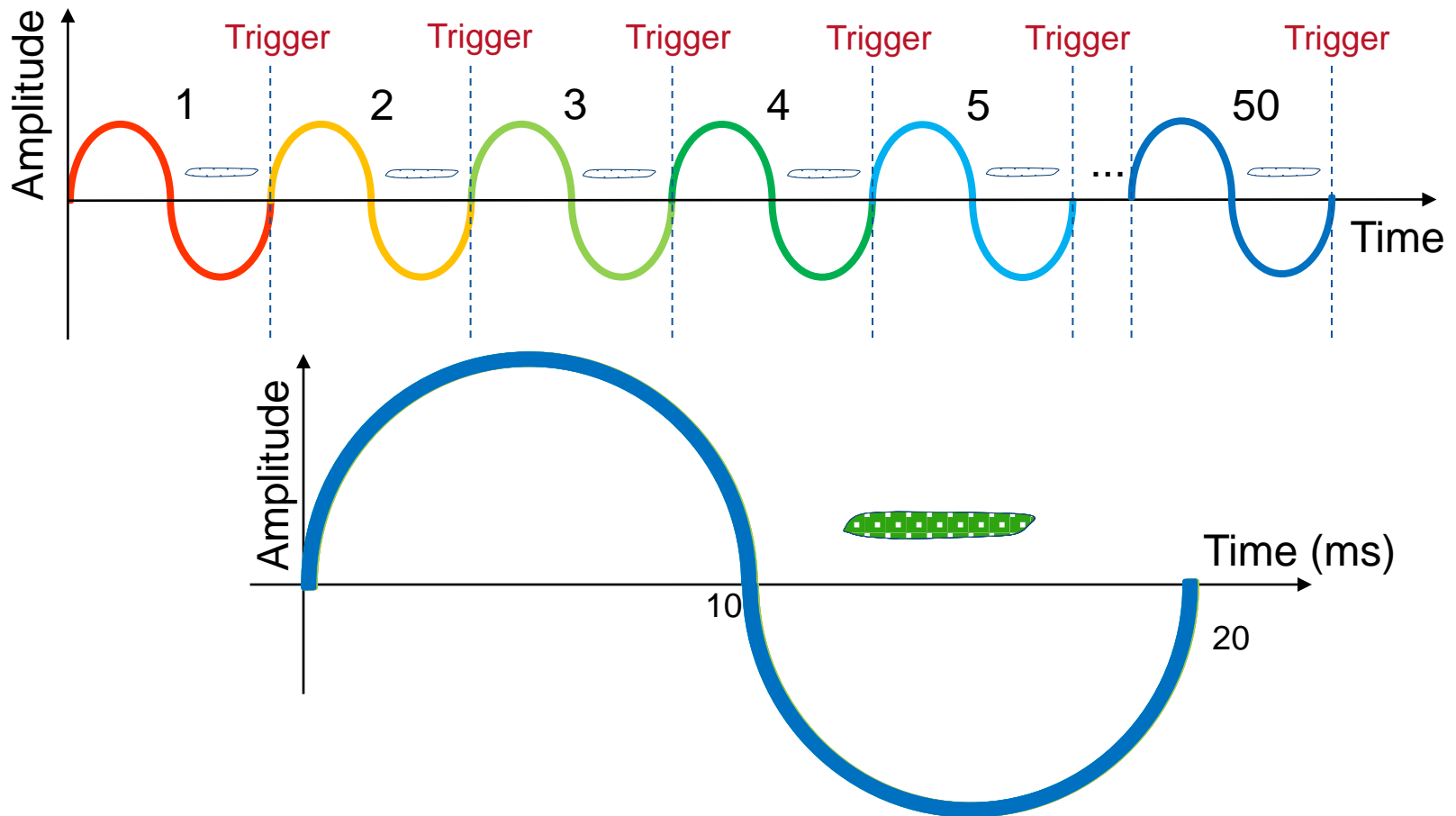
# Phase resolved partial discharge PRPD

PRPD correlation between PD pulses and voltage phase  
PD nature might be identified



# Phase resolved partial discharge – PRPD

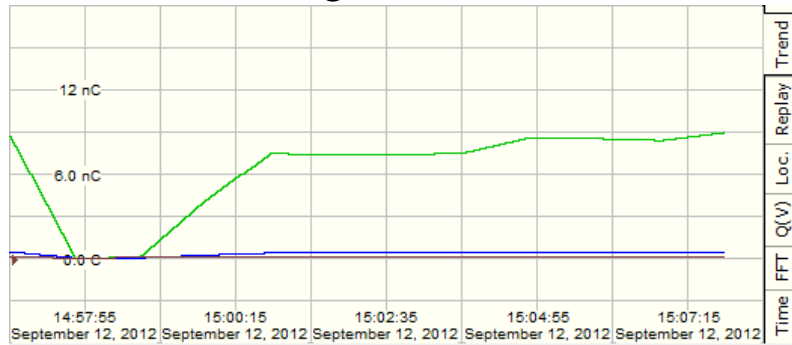
> How is a PRPD created?



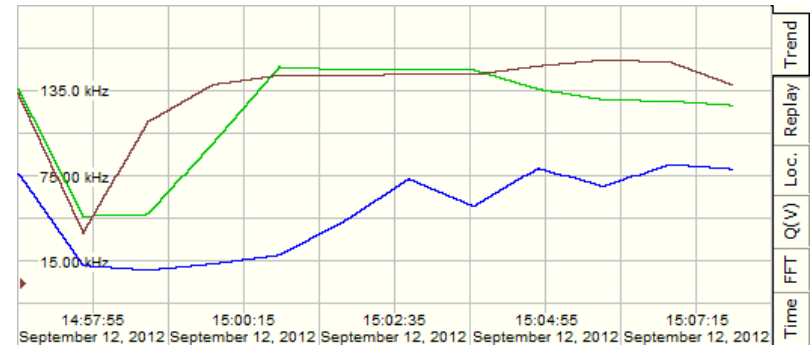


# Further ways of PD analysis – Trend

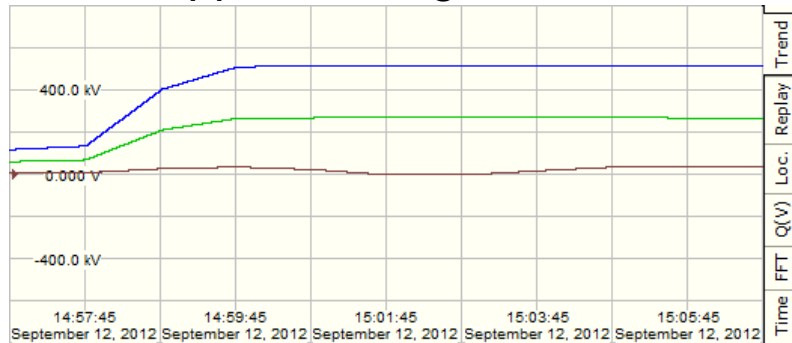
## Charge vs. time



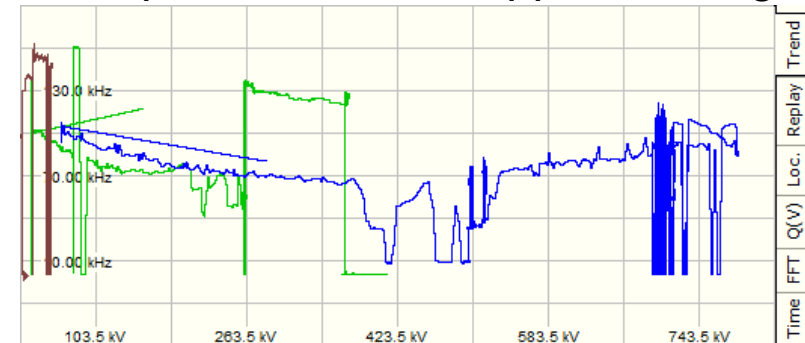
## PD repetition rate vs. time



## Applied voltage vs. time

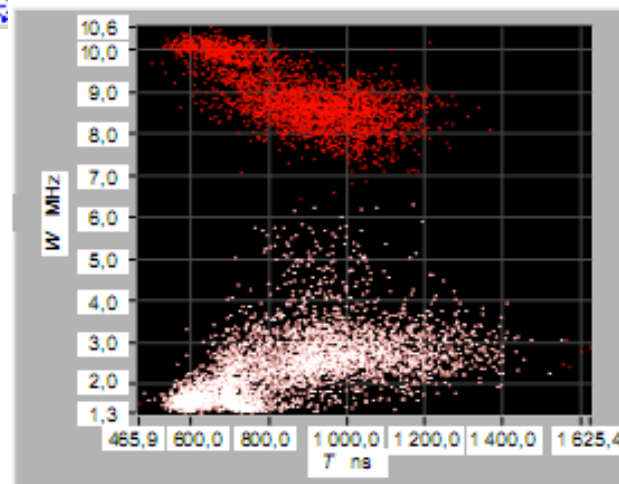
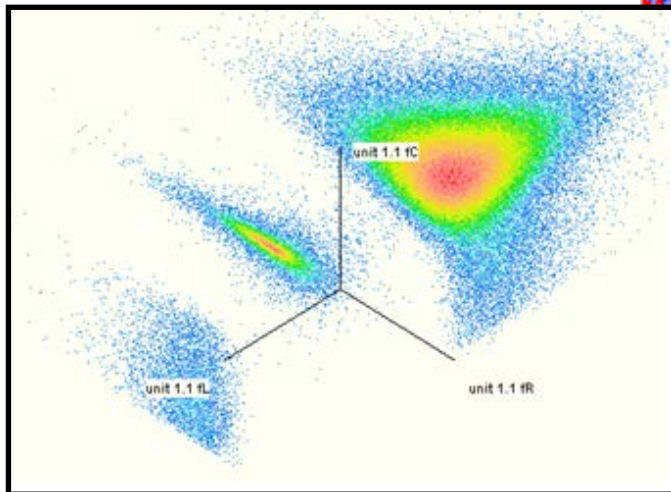
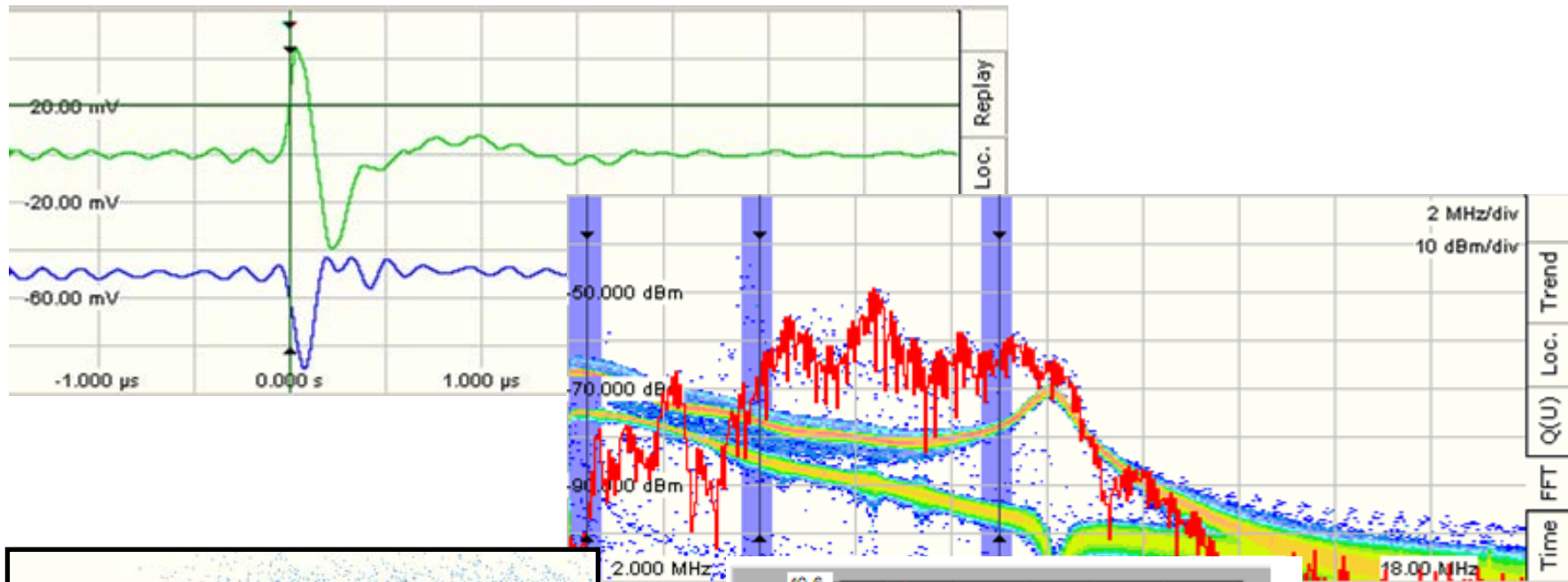


## PD repetition rate vs. applied voltage



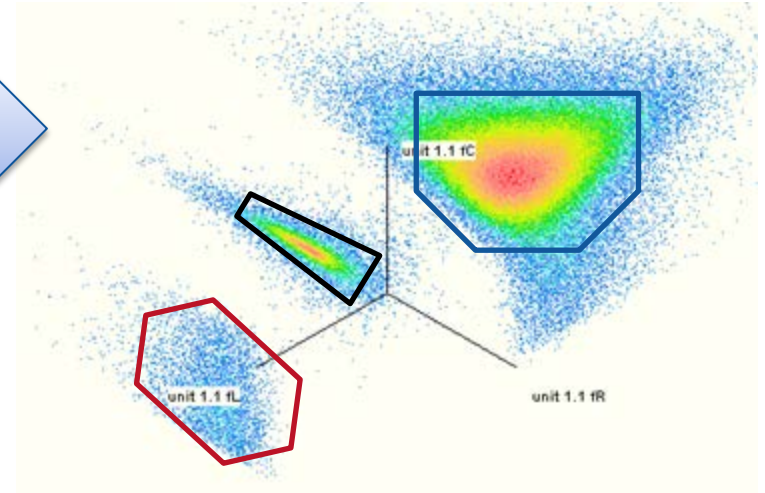
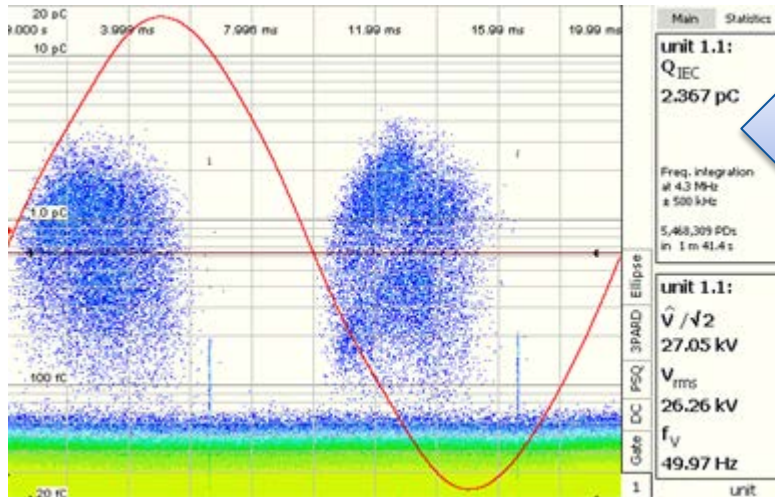
# Further ways of PD analysis – 3CFRD (3 Center Frequency Ratio Diagram)

> Pulse Shape Analysis: 3CFRD or Time/Frequency map

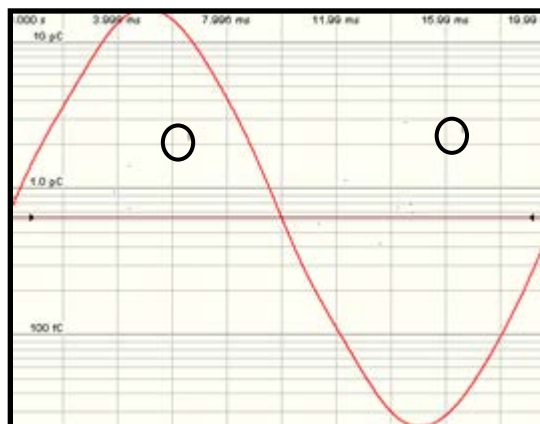


T/W map

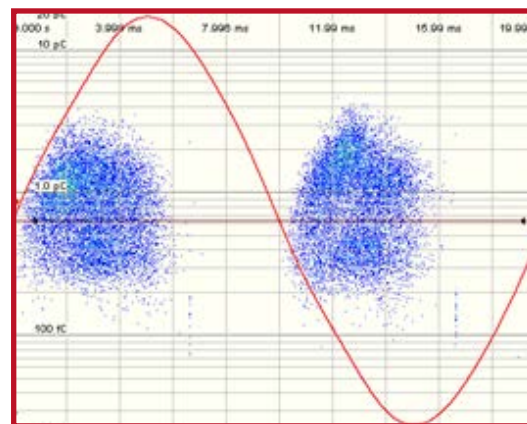
# Influence of inverse gating on external disturbances



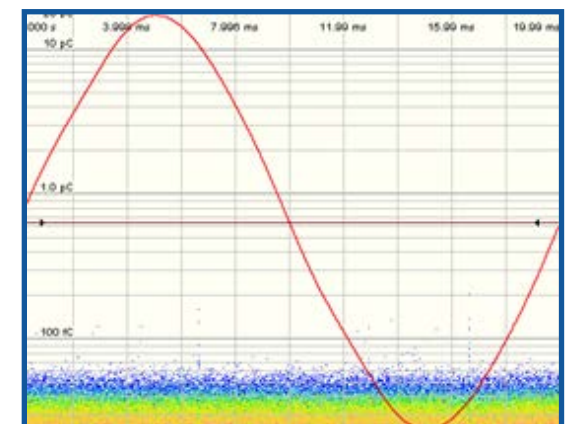
External disturbance



PD



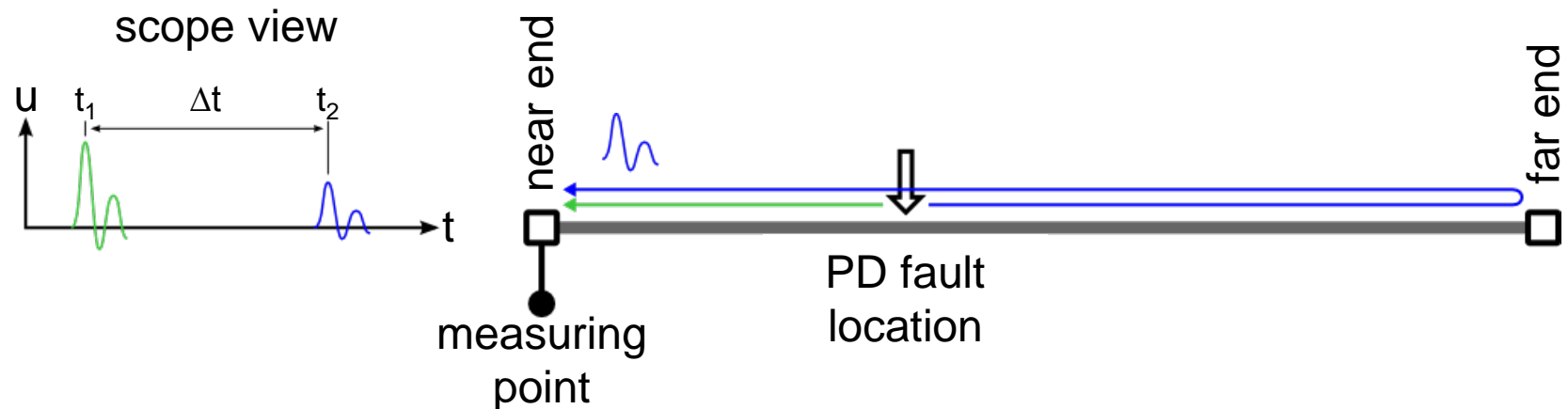
Noise



# Localization

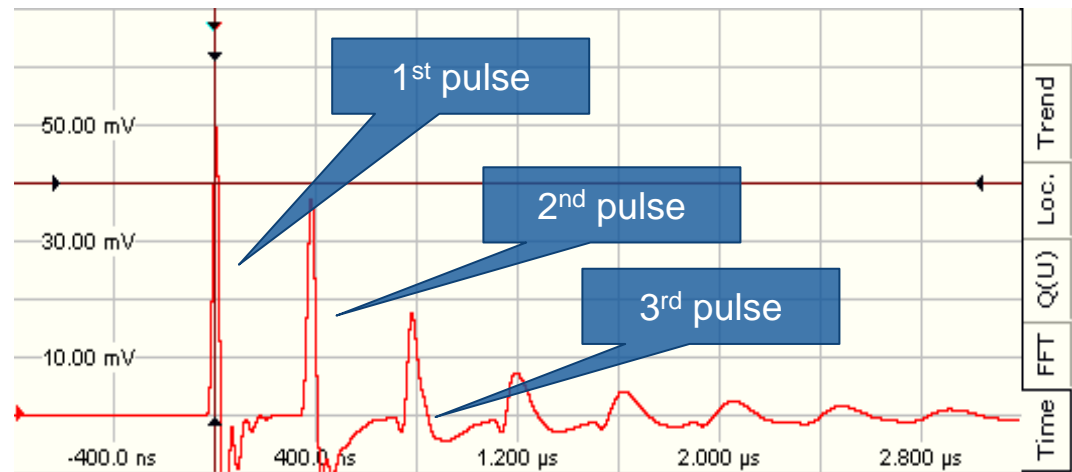
# TDR – Time domain reflectometry

- > A single PD pulse on an expanded test objects (cable) causes traveling waves in both directions
- > Pulses reaching the far cable end will be reflected
- > The reflected pulse will also be measured at the near end
- > The time delay of these 2 pulses depends on the PD fault position

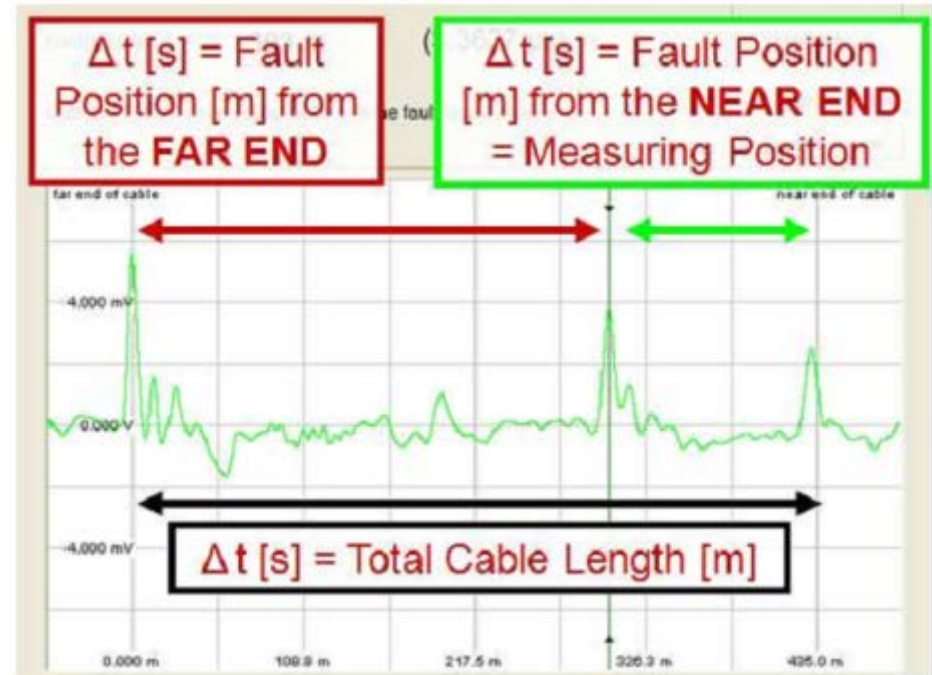


# TDR Curves for calibration and for PD

- > Calibration
  - > equal distances between echos (partial reflections from joints possible)
- > PD
  - > typically 2 different time distances



# Calculation of fault position



PD fault position from

> Far End

$$l_{fault} = v_{PD} \cdot \frac{\Delta t}{2}$$

> Near End

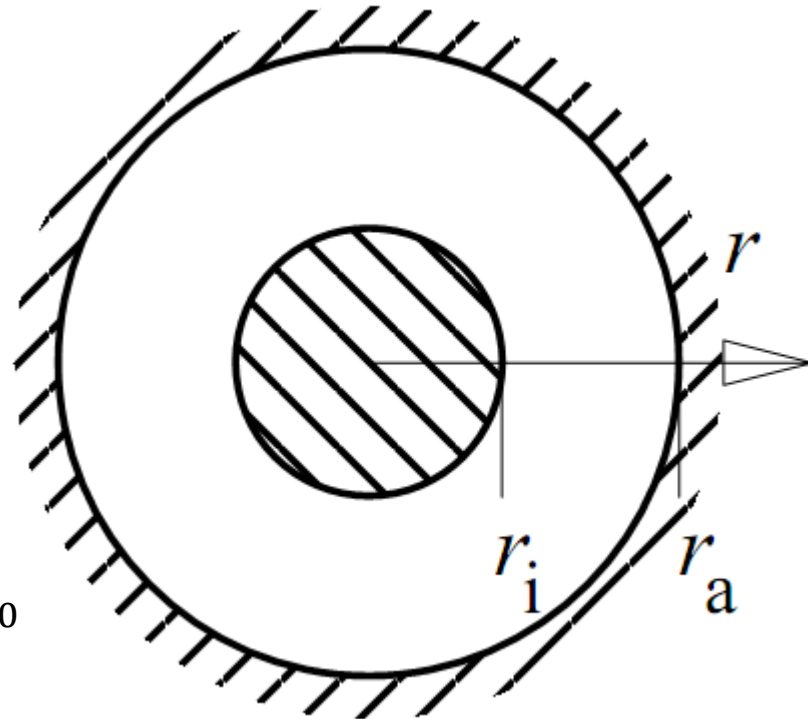
$$l_{fault} = L - v_{PD} \cdot \frac{\Delta t}{2}$$

# PD propagation speed

If  $v$  is unknown it can be found during calibration

- > if cable length is known
- > if only a single type of cable is tested

$$v = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\epsilon_{r,res} \cdot \epsilon_0 \cdot \mu_r \cdot \mu_0}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\epsilon_{r,res}}} \cdot c_0$$



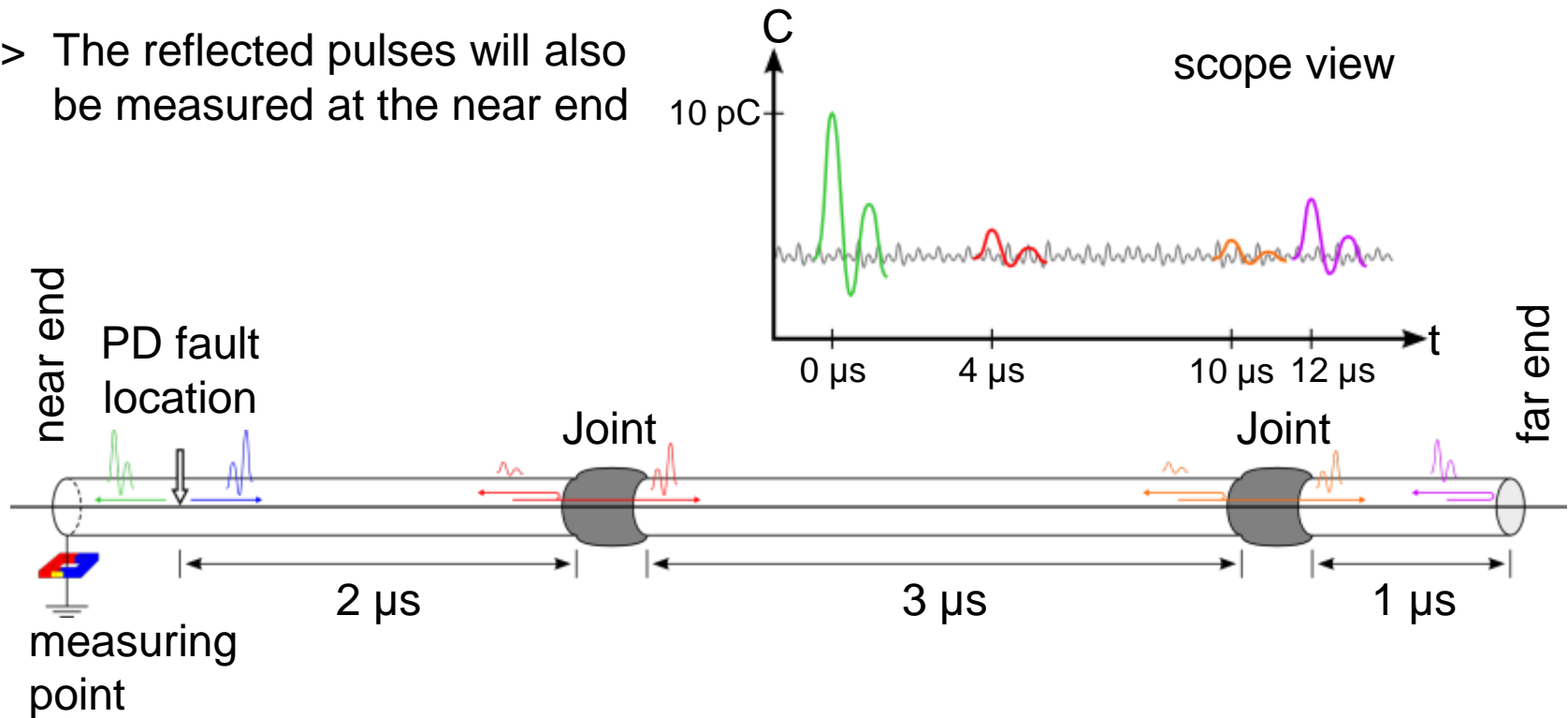


# Travelling speeds and capacities in specific cable types

Cable type	Typical travelling speed in m/ $\mu$ s	Typical capacity in nF/km For conductor cross sections in mm <sup>2</sup> :						
		120	240	500	630	1200	1600	2500
XLPE 10kV	154-160	350	450	610	630	-	-	-
XLPE 20kV	164-170	240	300	400	-	-	-	-
XLPE 30kV	170-176	160	210	280	-	-	-	-
XLPE 60kV	174-176	-	-	-	236	-	-	-
XLPE 110kV	174-176	-	121	163	177	271	301	378
XLPE 150kV	~181	-	-	-	-	225	-	-
XLPE 220kV		-	106	143	155	236	260	294
XLPE 400kV		-	-	-	119	171	188	226
EPR 10kV	130-134	~300	500	-	-	-	-	-

# STDR – Statistical time domain reflectometry

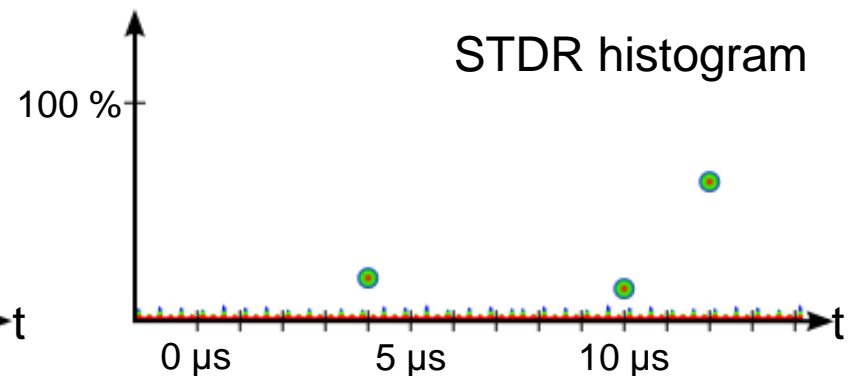
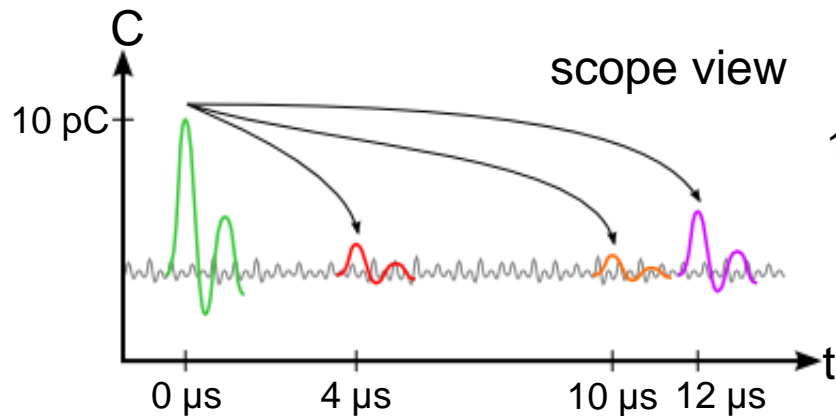
- > A single PD pulse on an expanded test objects (cable) causes traveling waves in both directions
- > Pulses will be reflected in the far cable end **but partly also on every joint**
- > The reflected pulses will also be measured at the near end



Assumption – Joints: 80% signal transmission; 20% signal reflection

# STDR – Statistical time domain reflectometry

- > Specific impulses are correlated to all measured impulses
- > The results of this correlation
  - > time difference between impulses
  - > relative amplitude of the correlated impulseare drawn into the STDR histogram



# **overview of technologies in the market**

## technologies in the market

very low frequencies (VLF)  
0.01 Hz – 0.1 Hz – some Hz



offline



mostly on-site testing



close to power frequencies  
50Hz / 60Hz - 20Hz to 300Hz



offline or online



in factory or on-site testing



# technologies in the market



sinus wave  
cosin rectangular  
damped AC



mostly with coupling capacitor



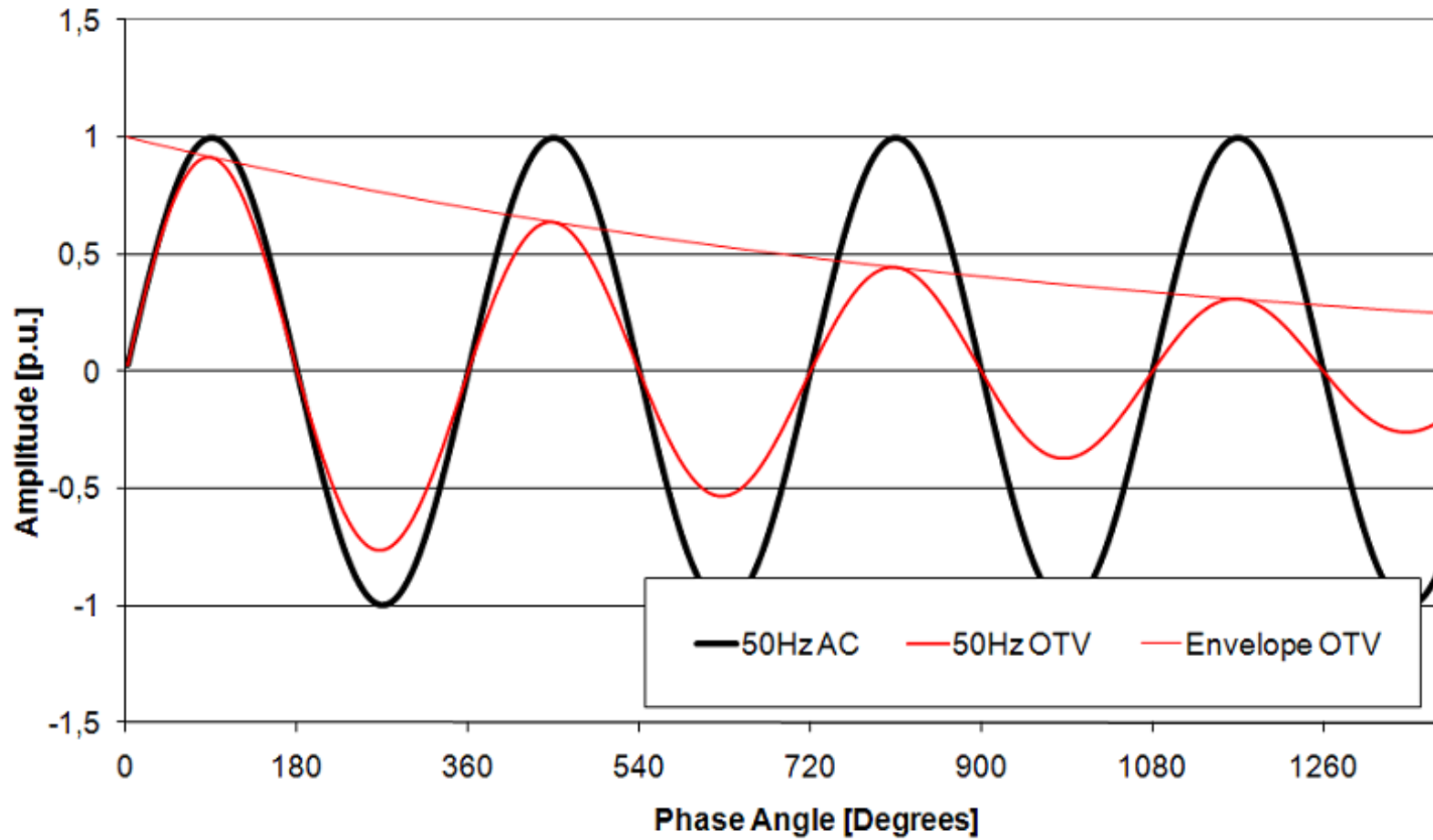
sinus voltage



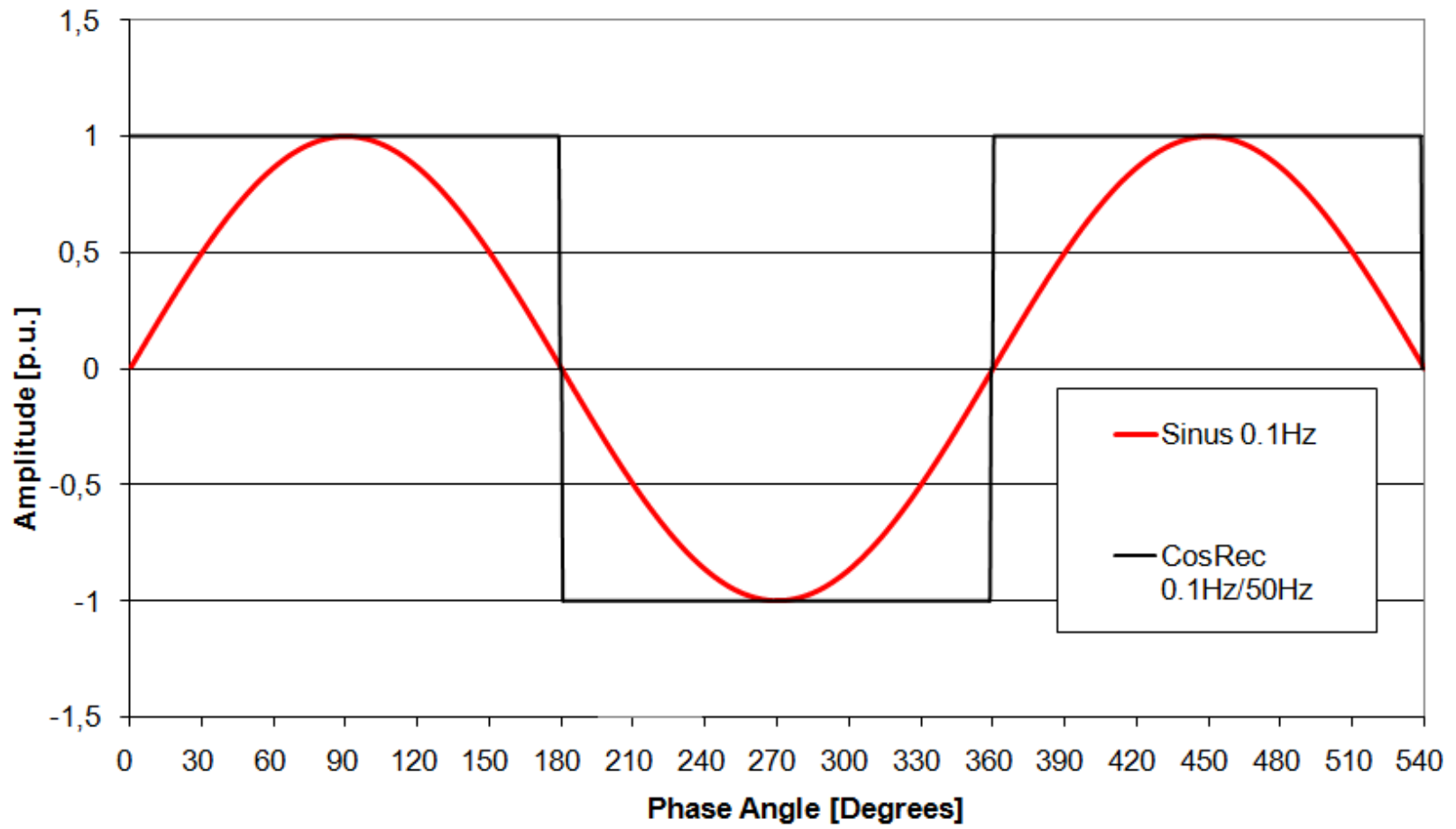
coupling capacitor or  
high frequency current  
transformer (HFCT)



# voltage types

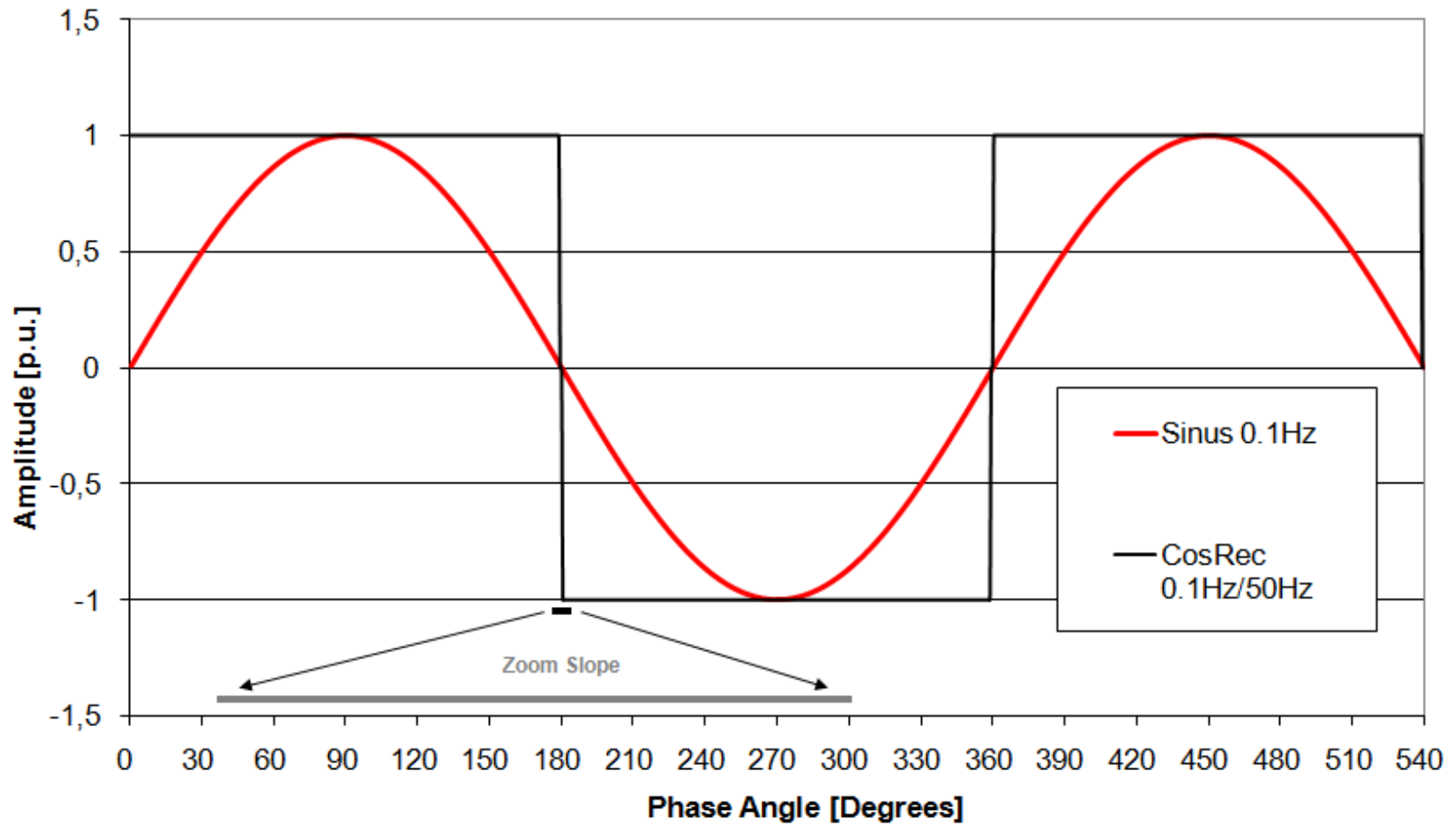


# Cosinus rectangle - CosRec

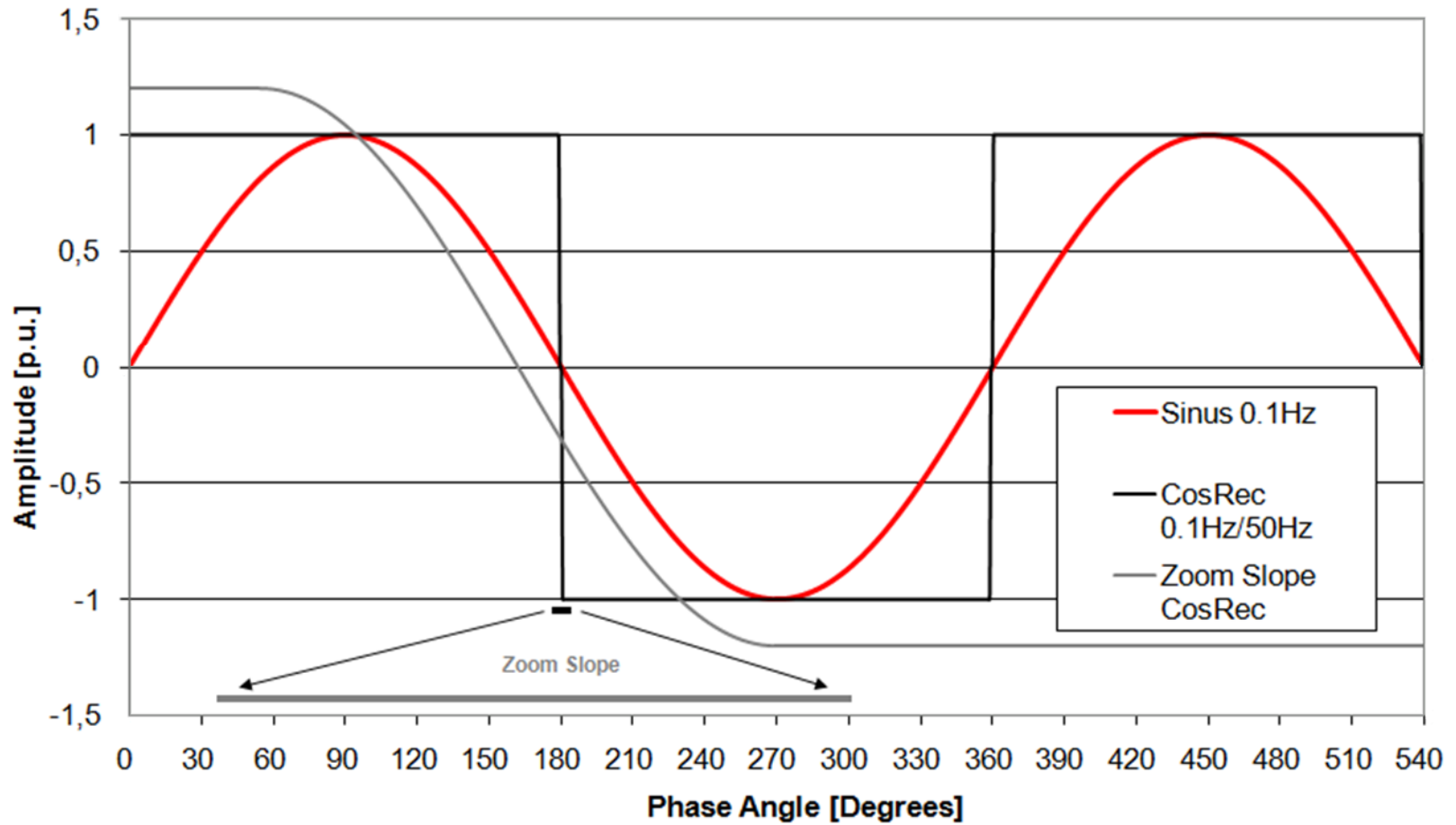




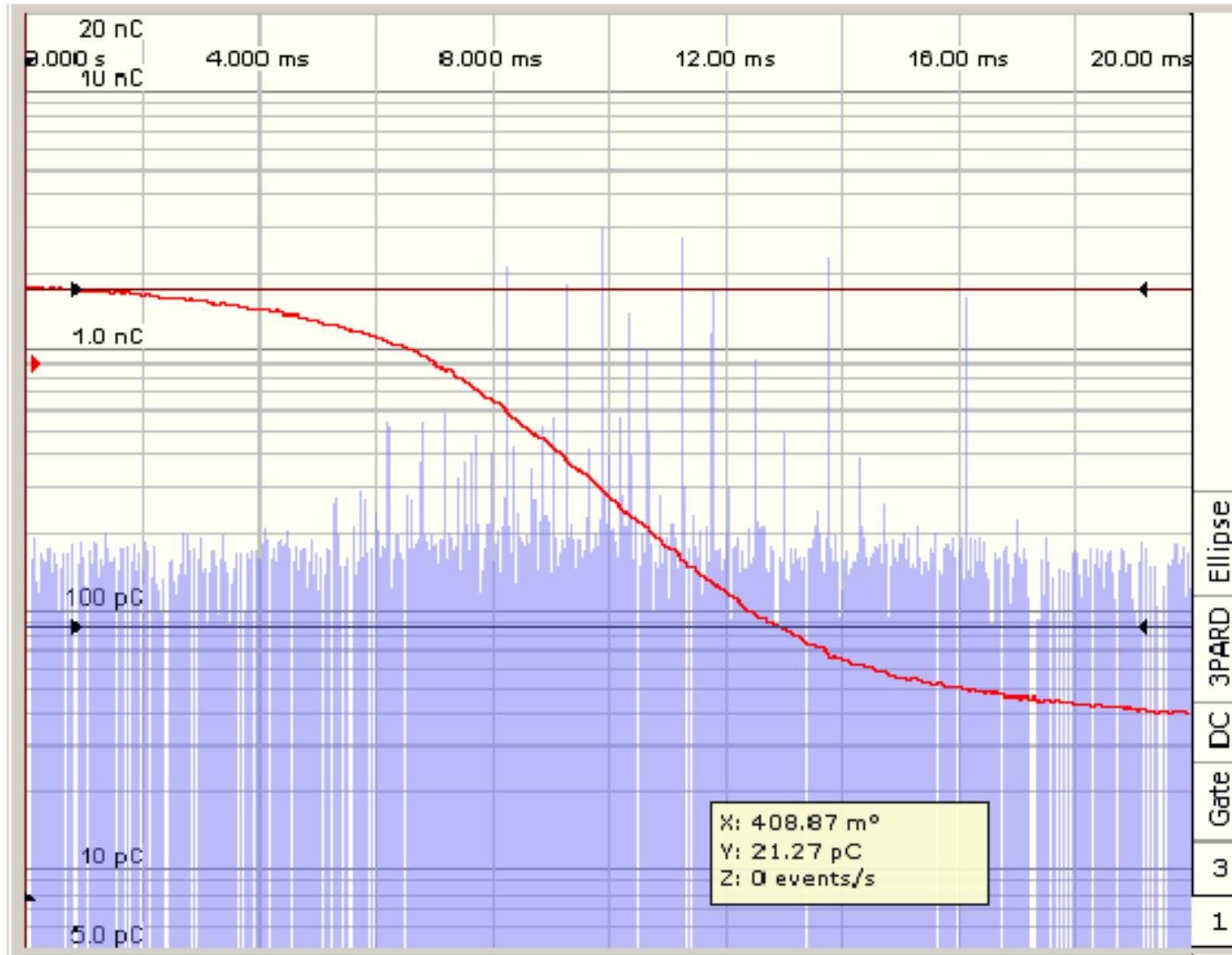
# CosRec – Zoom on falling slope



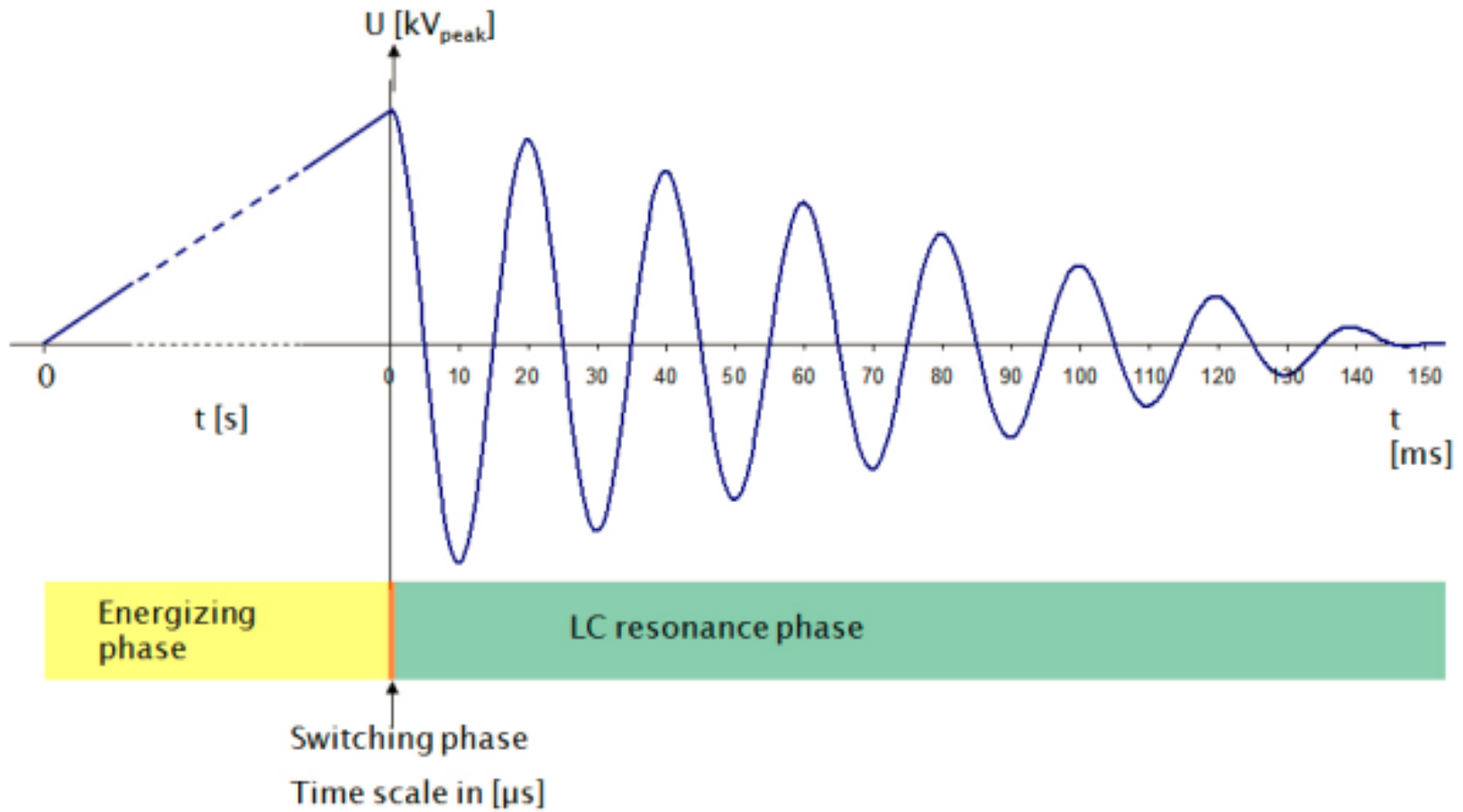
# CosRec – Zoom on falling slope



# CosRec – PD only in slopes



# damped AC



source: <http://hvgrid-tech.com>

# standards

IEC60885-3

IEC 60840

IEC 60502-2

IEEE 400 documents (.1 , .2 , .3, .4 , .5)

CENELEC HD620 S1

CIGRE guides

