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Effect of improved connector and additional module IC noise on whole channel performance and the comparison with TP1a performance.

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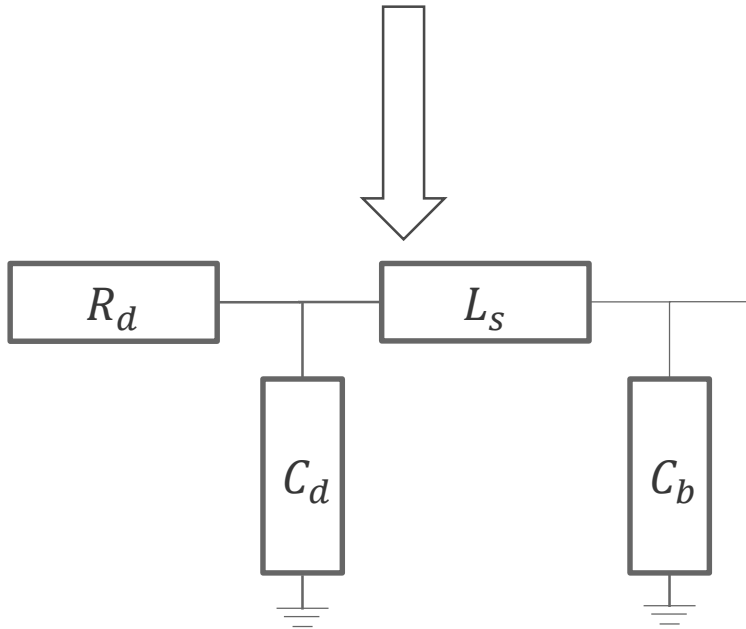
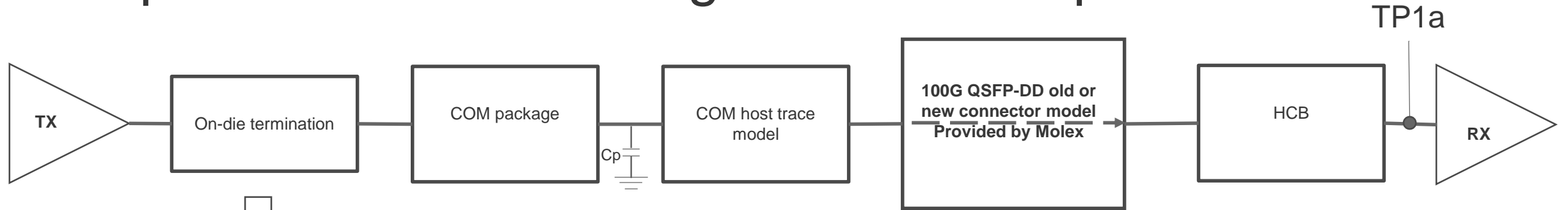
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Introduction

- This work builds on the work presented in Dudek_3ck_01_0719, Dudek_3ck_01_0919 and Dudek_3ck_01_01119 which explored the effect of host trace length on C2M TP1a and whole channel performance with different die models, package lengths, different equalizers and some host impairments. These presentations showed significant degradations and resonances at shorter host trace lengths and that a significantly stronger equalizer than the 5 tap FFE equalizer is required for adequate whole channel performance. They also explored the correlation between VEC (and EVEC) at TP1a and whole channel performance.
- This presentation extends this work to evaluate the effect of an improved connector and investigates the effect of additional noise in the module receiver ASIC.

Chip to module block diagram for TP1a performance

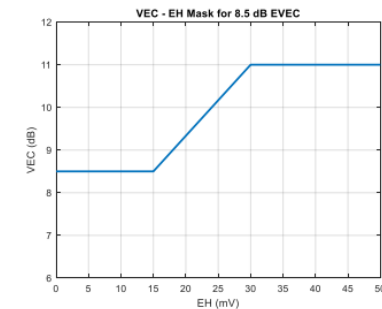


On-die inductor termination

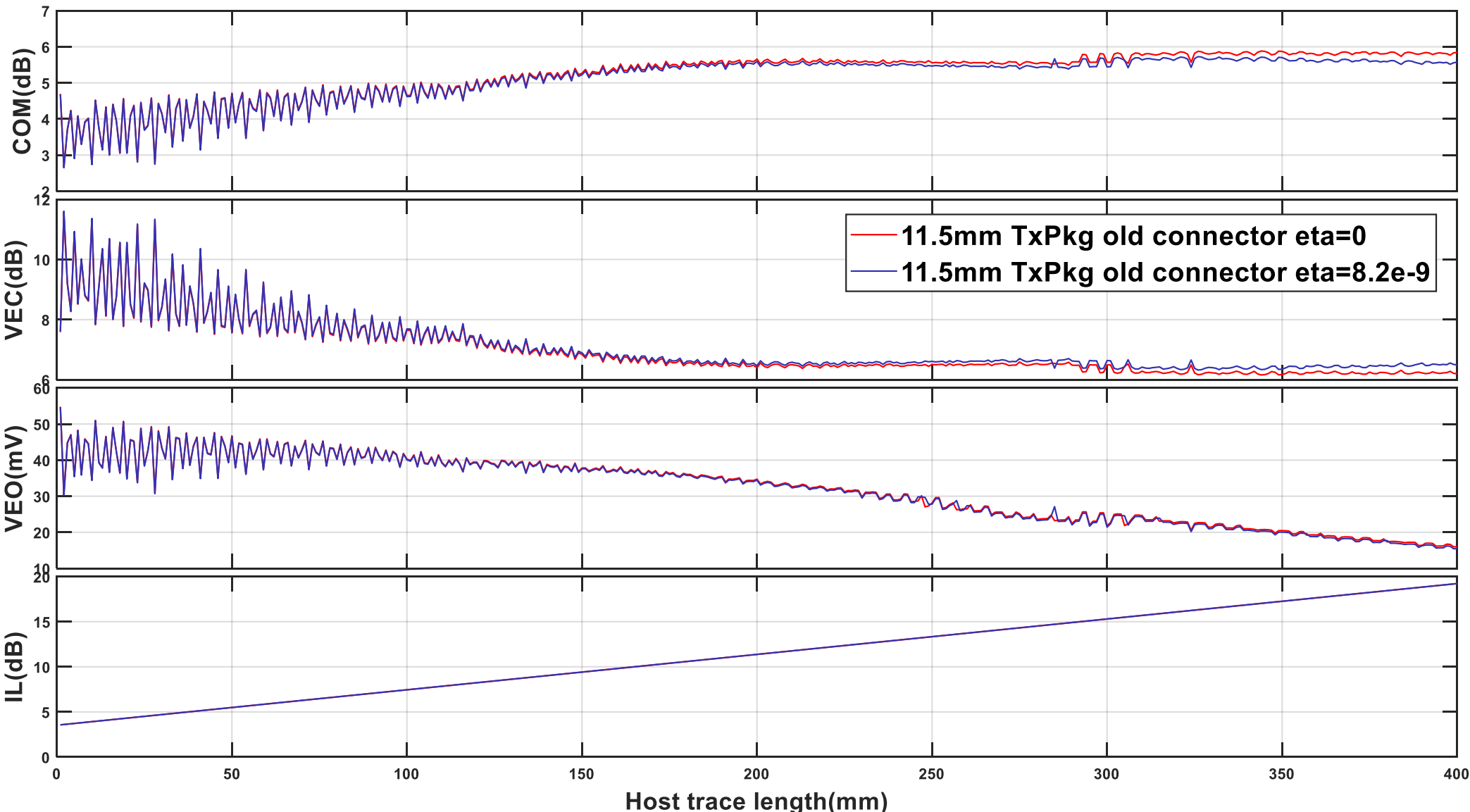
- HCB trace: 100ohm 63.8mm (2.5dB loss) (from COM model)
- TX/RX termination R_d : 50ohm
- Package trace length:
 - 11.5mm (old connector)
 - 13mm (improved connector)
- Host die model:
 - $L_s=120\text{pH}$, $C_d=120\text{fF}$, $C_b=30\text{fF}$
- Sweep host trace length
- Host trace impedance: 100ohm
- $A_v: 0.415\text{V}$ $A_{ne}: 0.6\text{V}$ $A_{fe}: 0.415\text{V}$
- Crosstalk is not included.
- Lane 3 is used for the simulations
- $\text{Eta}0=0$ Note previous work used 8.23-9
- TxSNR= 33dB
- Performance is simulated using COM 2.70
- The complete COM table is in the back-up

EVEC is proposed in sun_3ck_01_1019 for TP1a measurement. It is a function of VEC and EH.

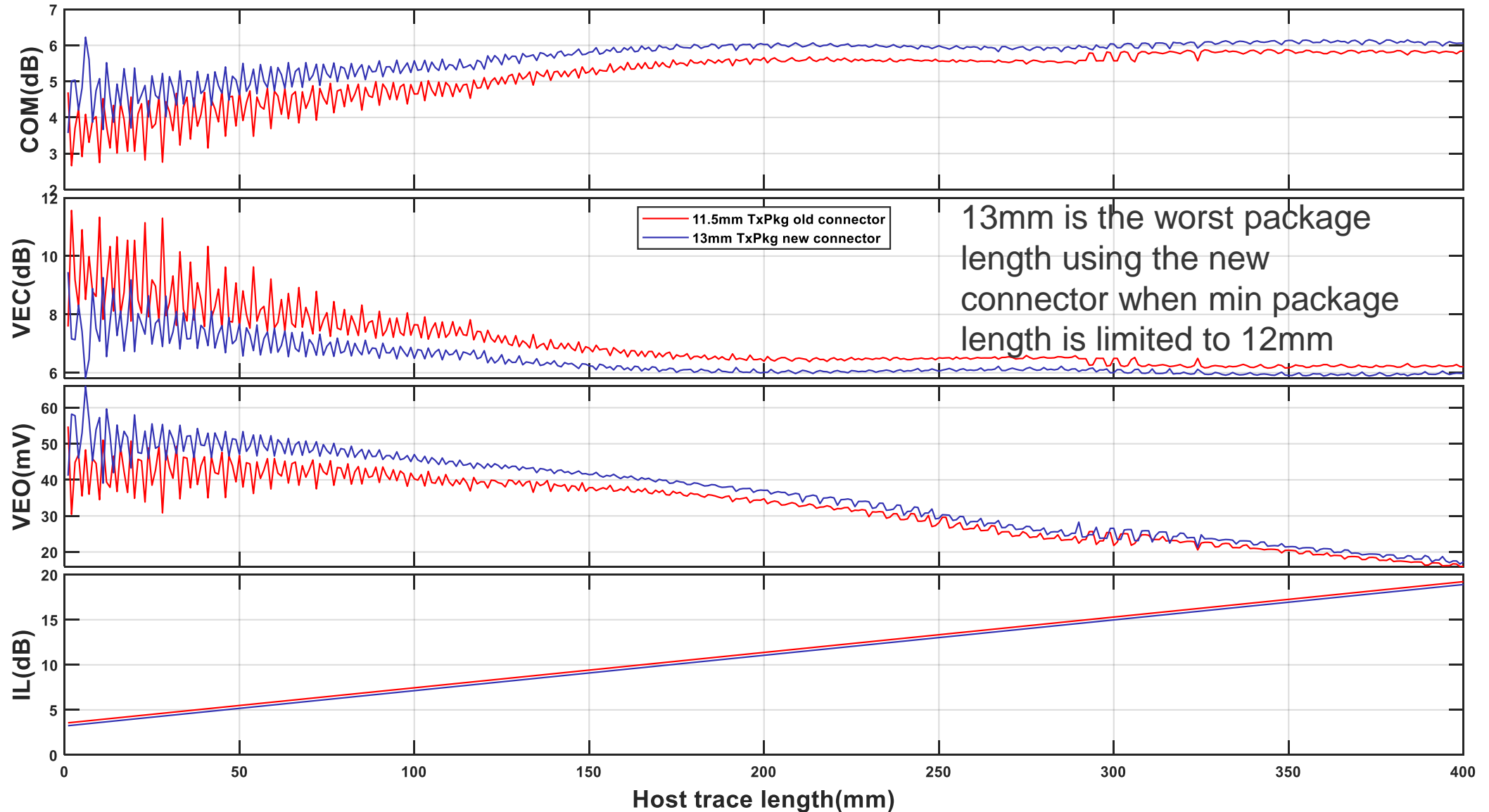
$$\text{EVEC} = \begin{cases} \text{VEC}, & \text{if } EH < 15 \text{ mV} \\ \text{VEC} - 0.1667 * (EH - 15) \text{ dB}, & \text{if } EH \text{ is between 15 and 30 mV} \\ \text{VEC} - 2.5 \text{ dB}, & \text{if } EH > 30 \text{ mV} \end{cases}$$



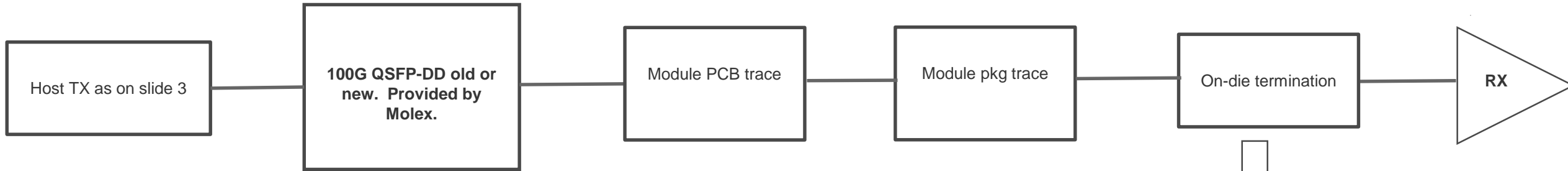
Performance comparison between two eta values at TP1a (DFE4)



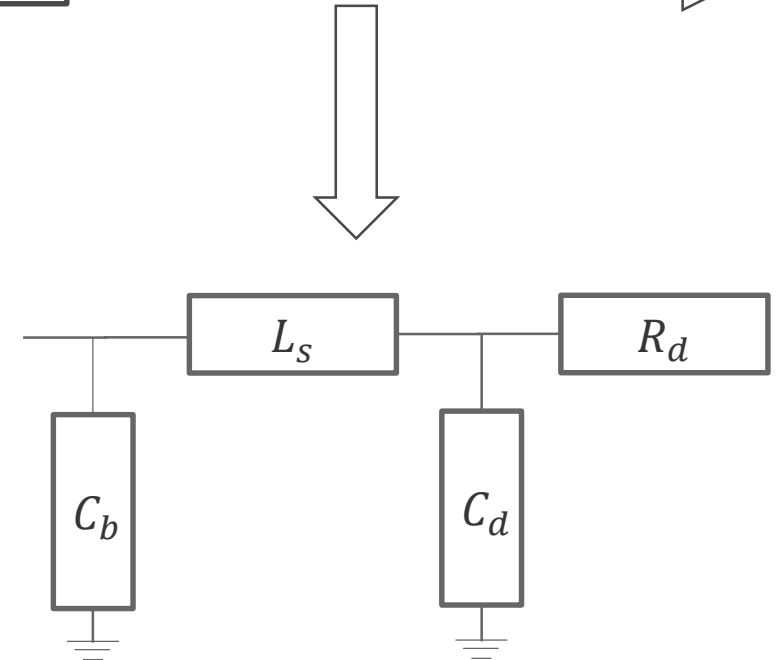
Performance comparison between connectors at TP1a (DFE4)



Chip to module block diagram for end to end performance



- RX termination R_d : 50ohm
- Module die/package model $L_s=100\text{pH}$, $C_d=100\text{fF}$, $C_b=30\text{fF}$
- Package Trace 92.5 Ohm, 6mm length
- Sweep module trace length 1-30mm. Trace impedance: 92.5OHM
- Crosstalk is not included.
- Performance is simulated using COM 2.70
- The complete COM table is in the back-up



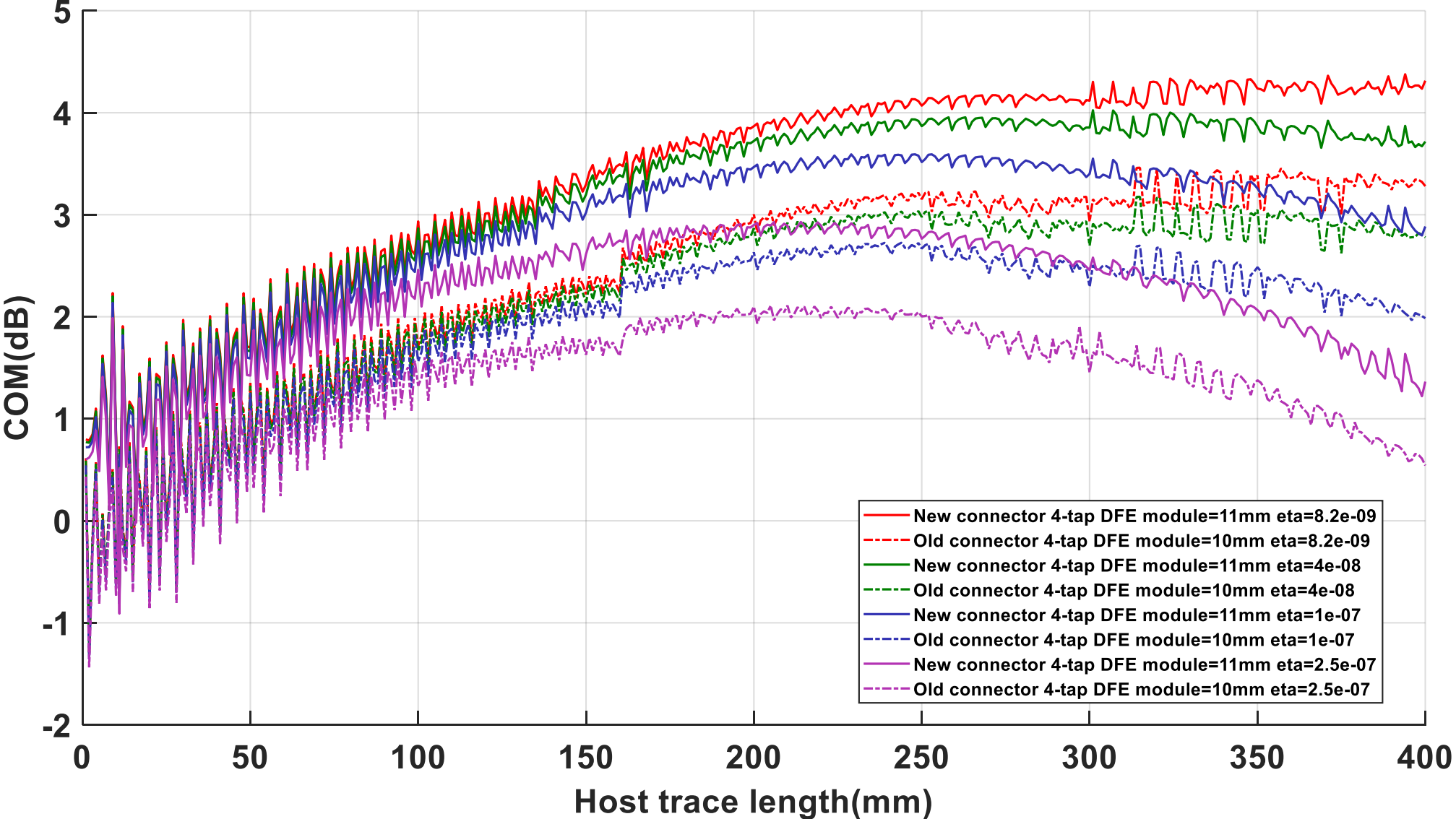
On-die inductor termination

Details of module model.

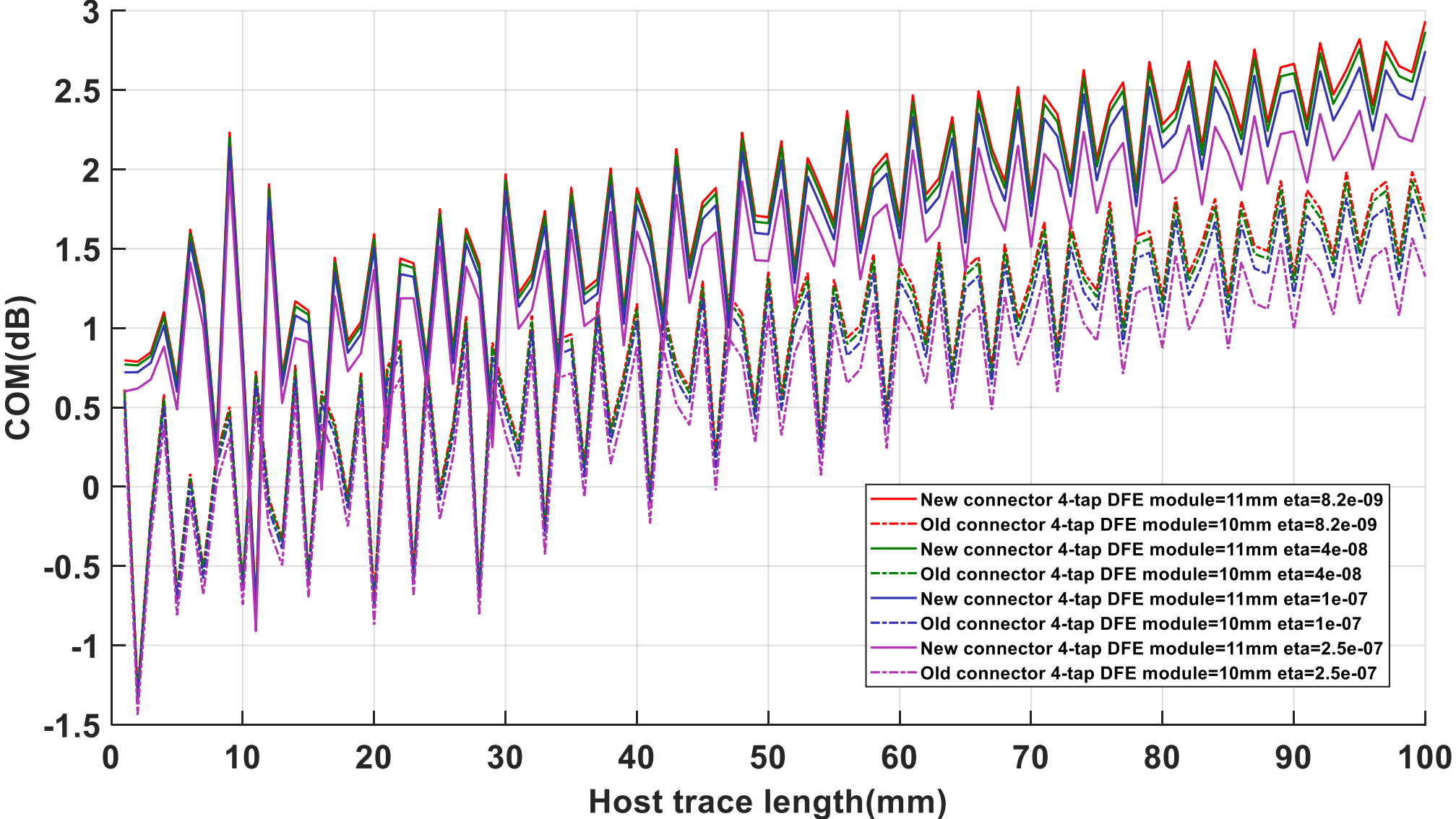
- The following equalizers were used
 - 4 tap DFE
 - 12 tap DFE
 - 10 tap FFE
 - In all cases the Tx FIR was optimized for the VEC at TP1a using the chosen reference equalizer and then the tap weights were frozen for measuring the end to end performance with the various module receivers. (5 tap FFE was not included because previous work had already shown it has inadequate performance.)
- The effect of module IC noise was investigated by varying the value of η_0 . The following values were used.
 - $8.2e-9 \text{ V}^2/\text{GHz}$
 - $4e-8 \text{ V}^2/\text{GHz}$
 - $1e-7 \text{ V}^2/\text{GHz}$
 - $2.5e-7 \text{ V}^2/\text{GHz}$

Module RX: 4-tap DFE

End to end COM (DFE4) examples with approximate worst case module length and TX FIR optimized for 4 tap DFE at TP1a

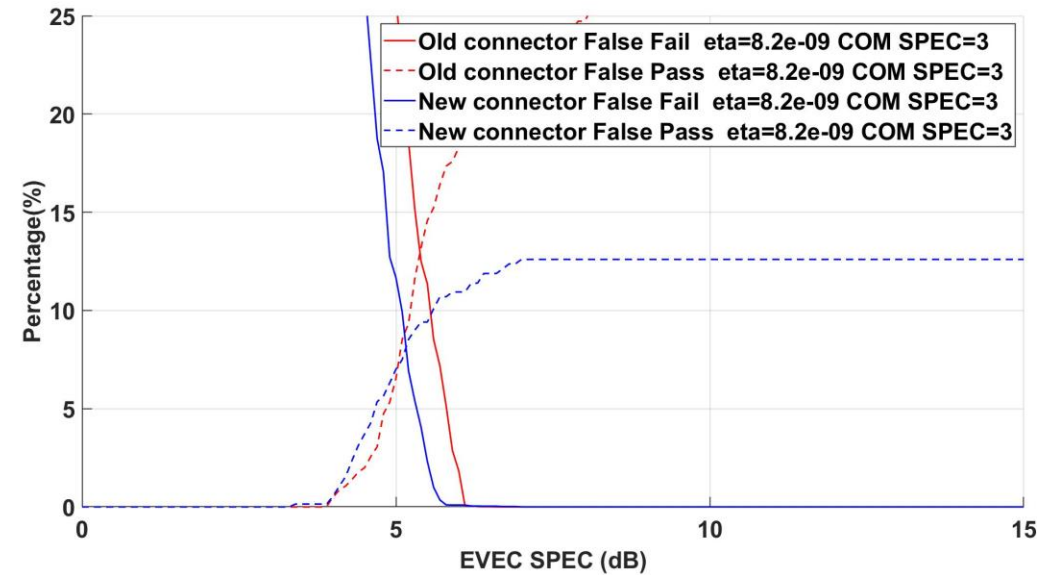
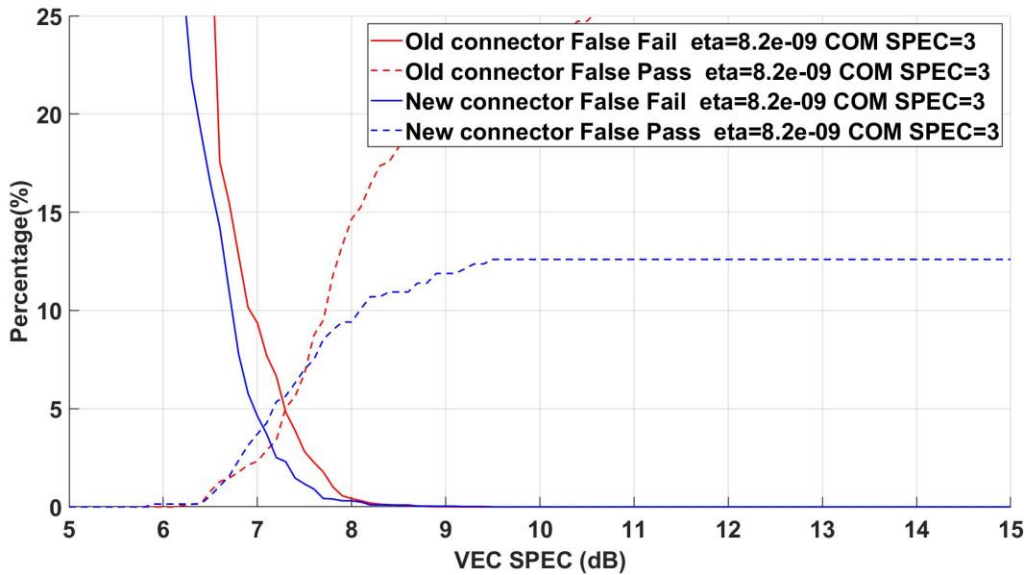
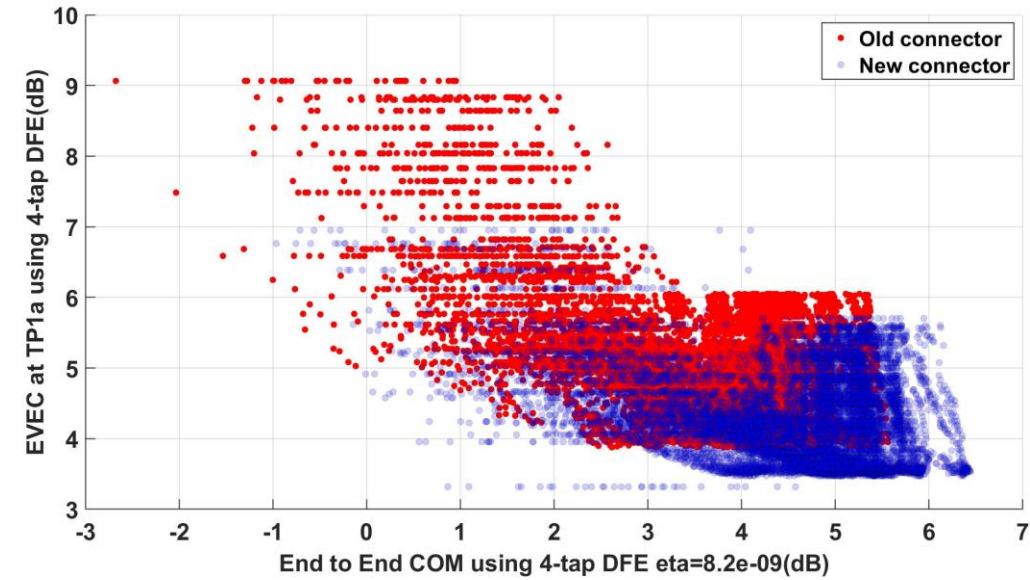
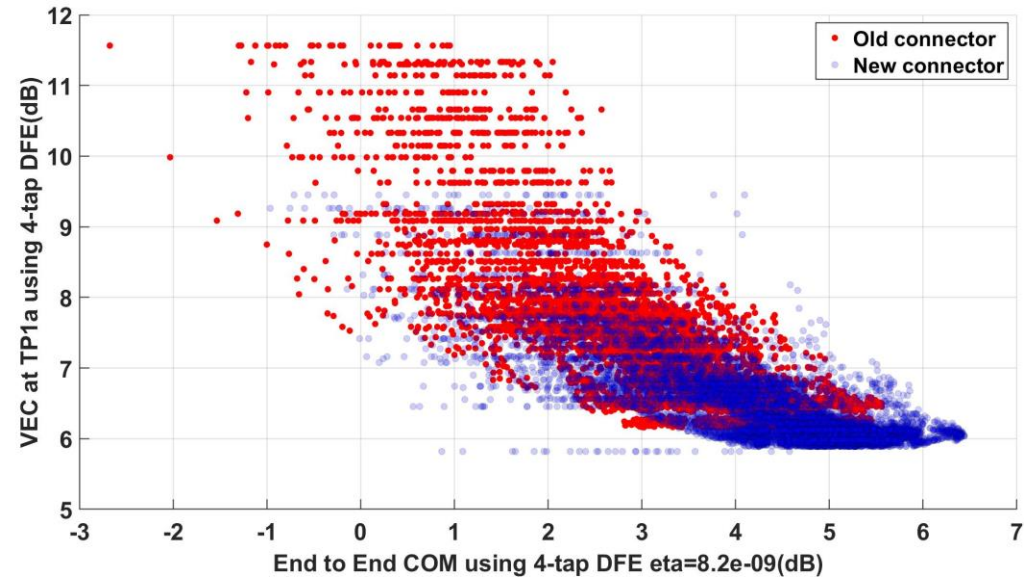


End to end COM examples with approximate worst case module length and TX FIR optimized for 4 tap DFE at TP1a



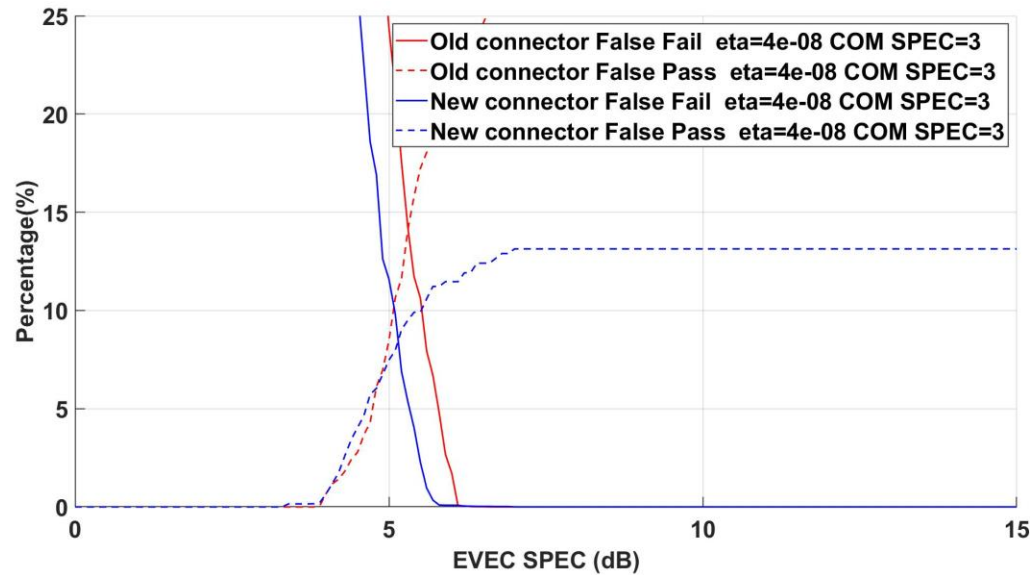
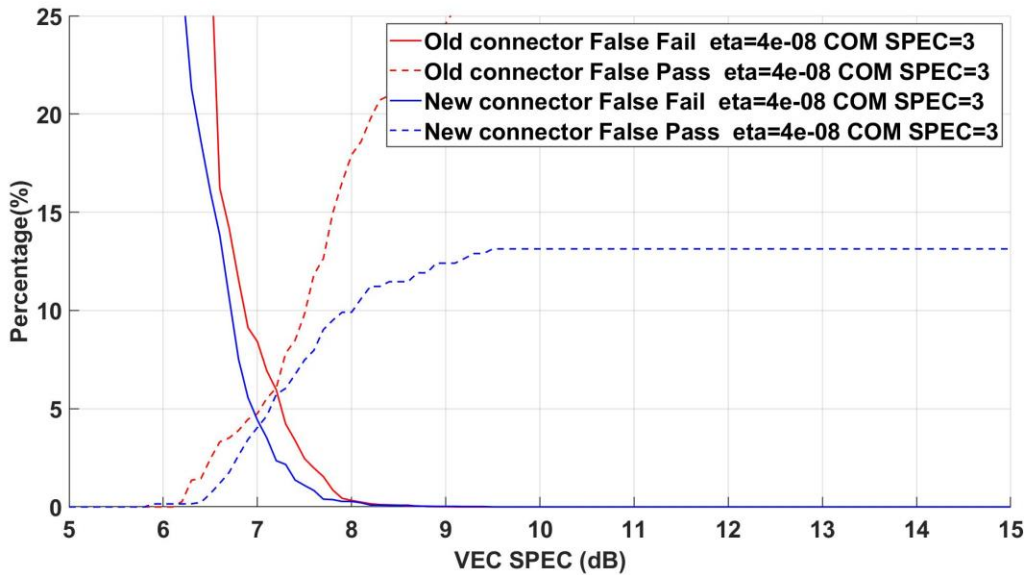
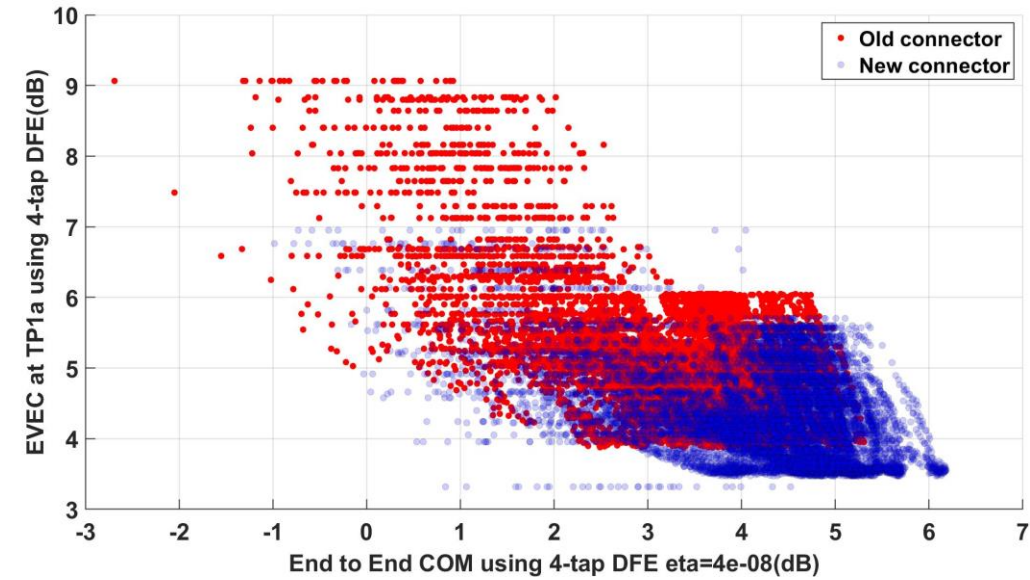
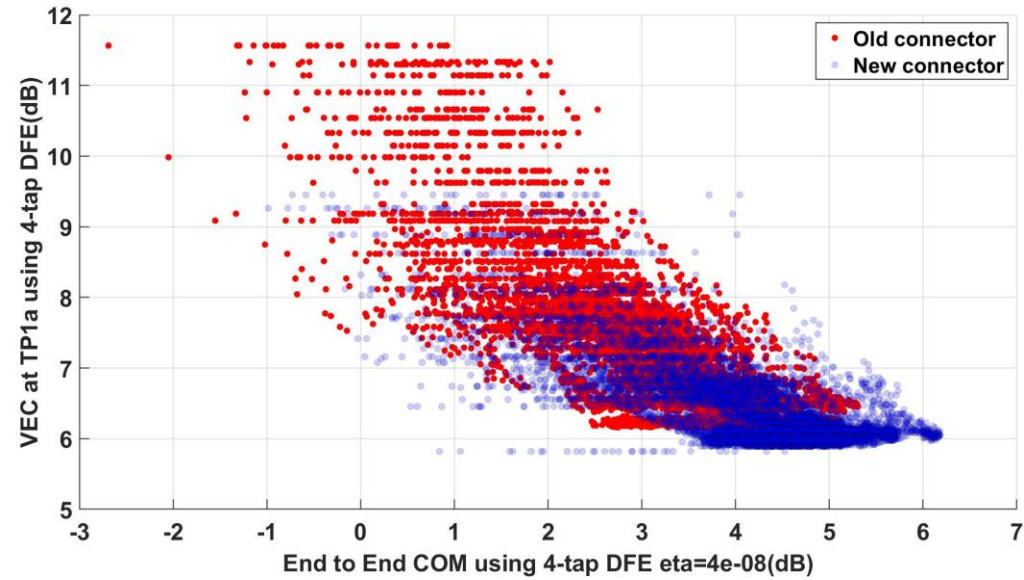
VEC/EVEC at TP1a(DFE4) vs. End to End COM (DFE4)

Eta=8.2e-9 V²/GHz



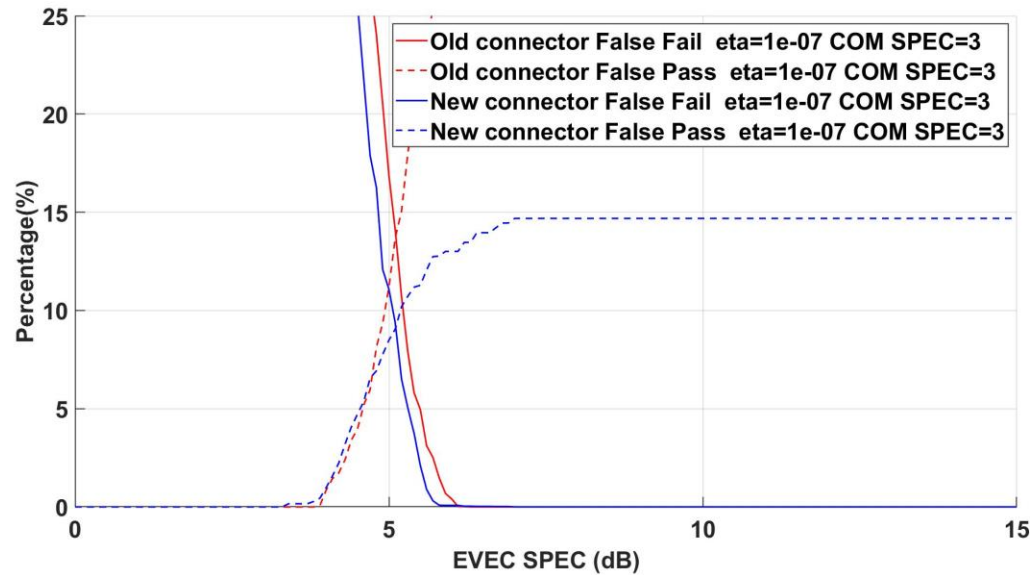
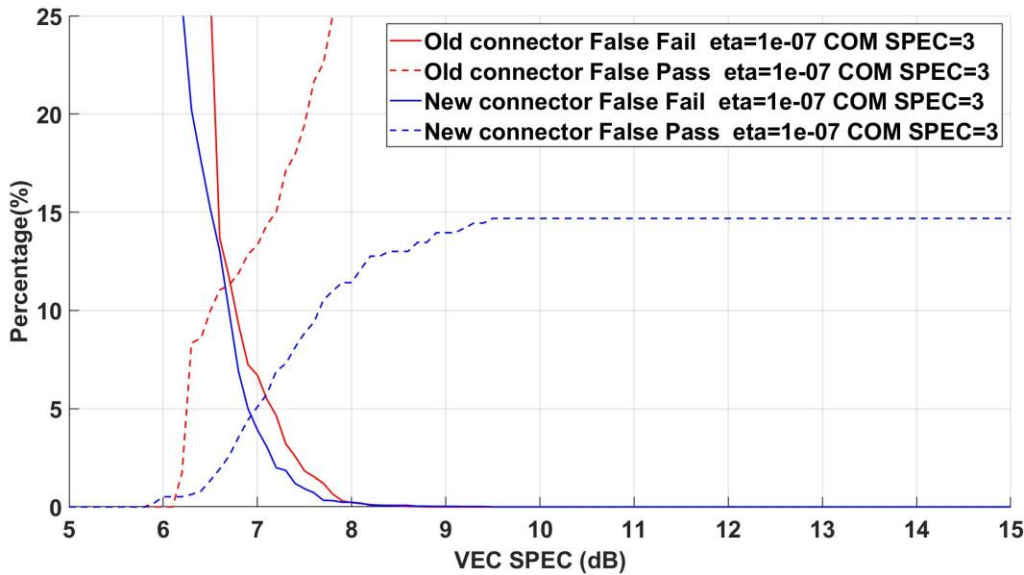
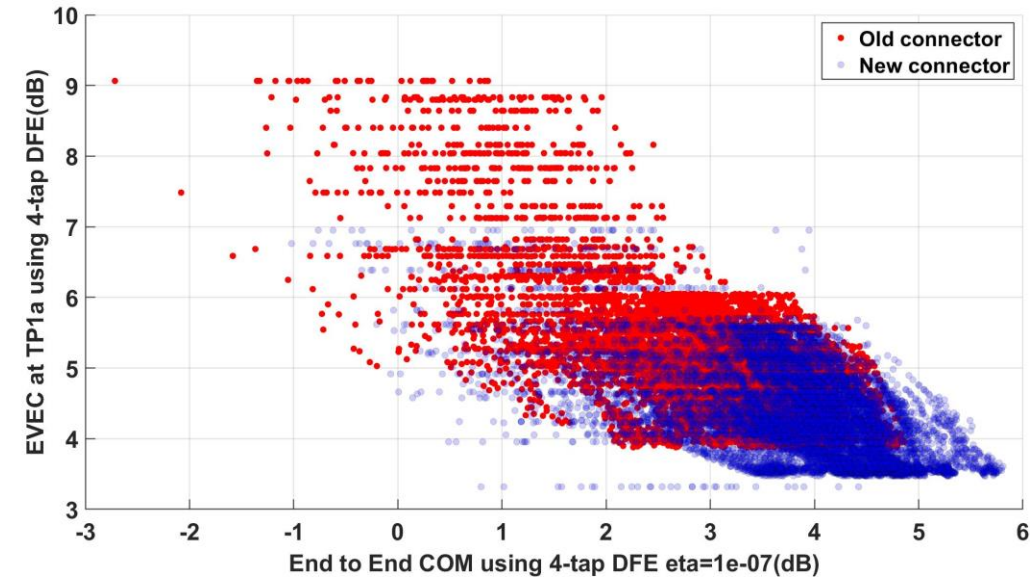
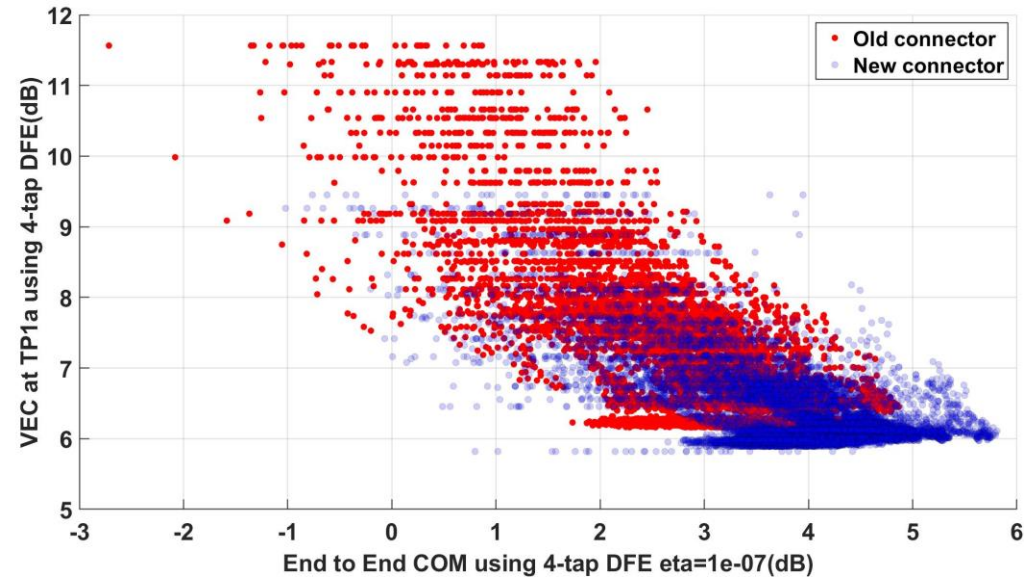
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Eta=4e-8 V²/GHz



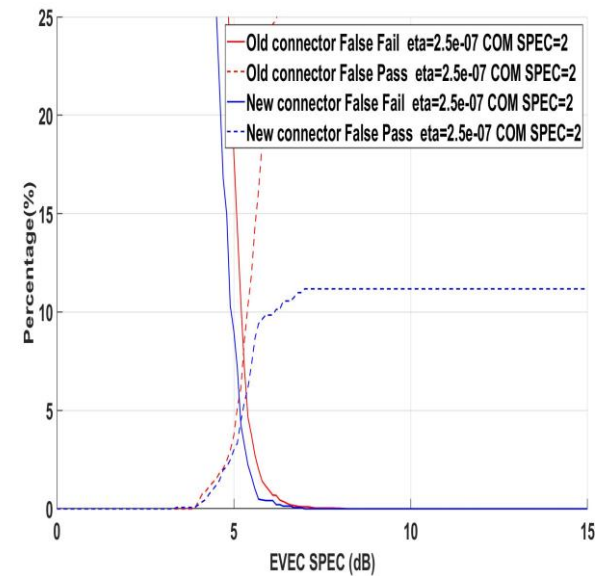
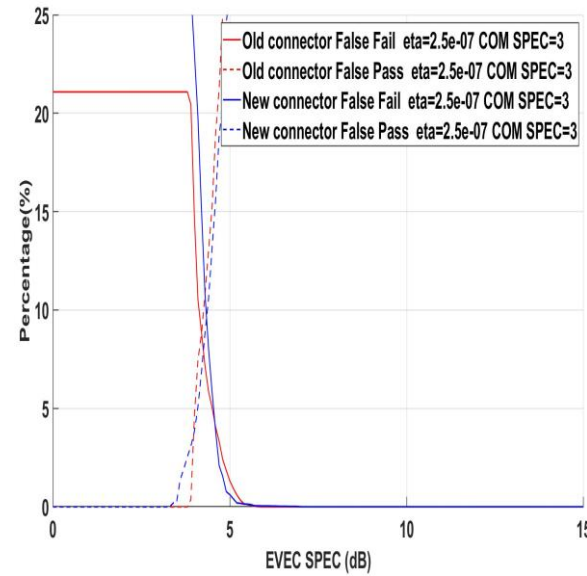
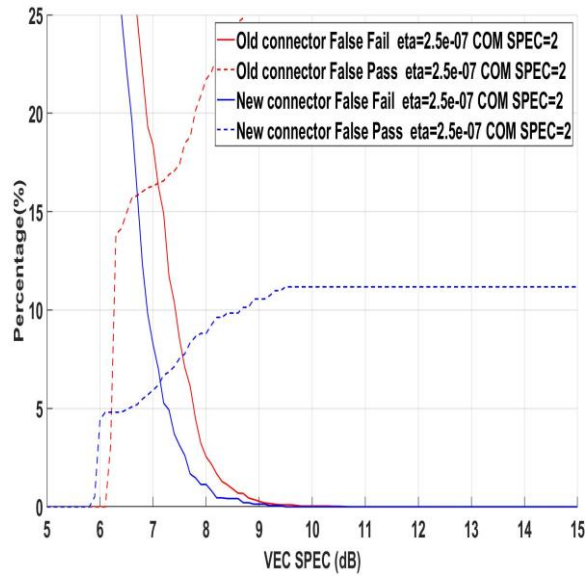
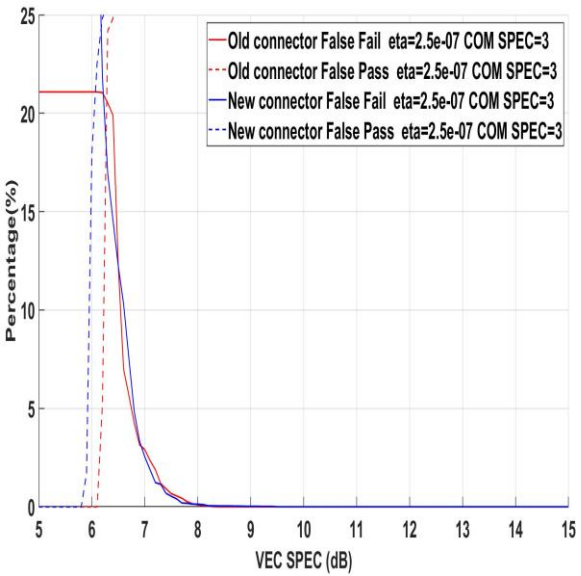
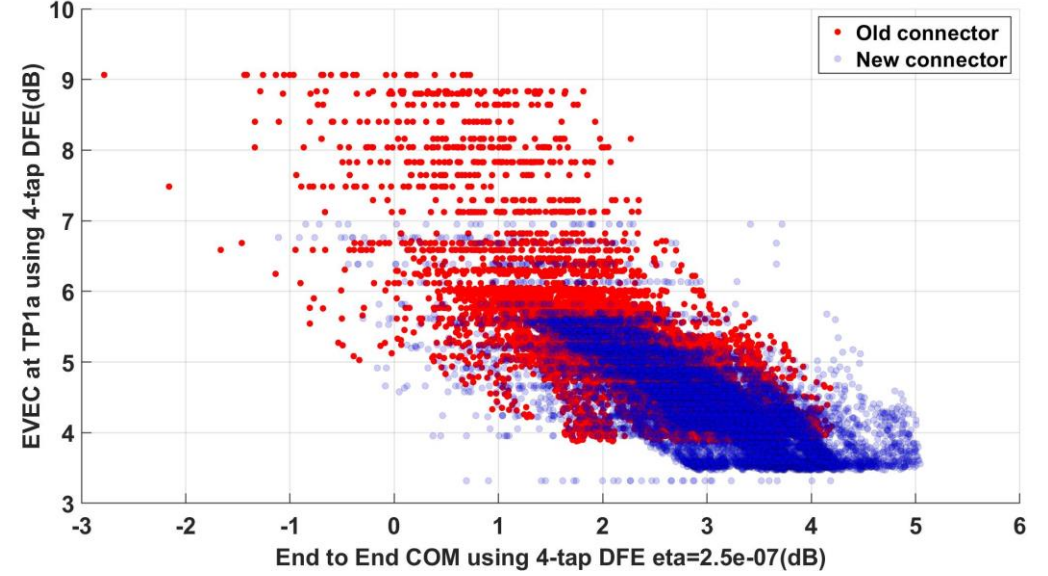
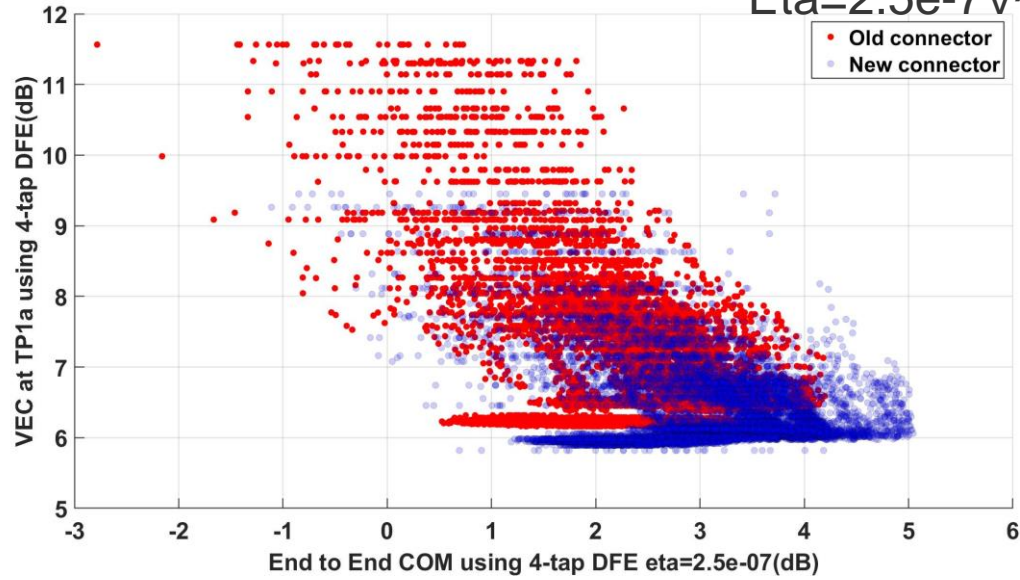
VEC/EVEC at TP1a(DFE4) vs. End to End COM (DFE4)

Eta=1e-7 V²/GHz



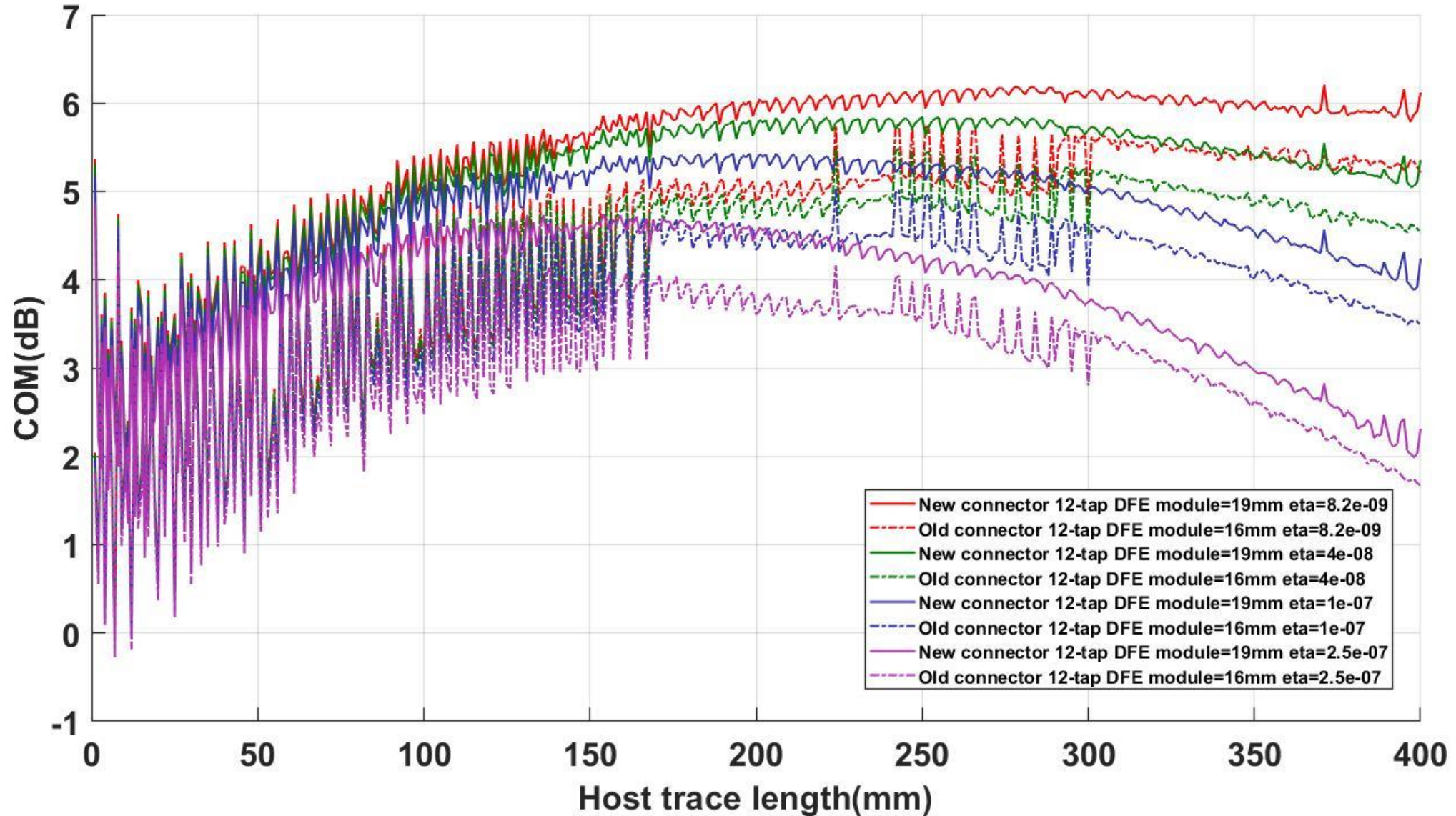
VEC/EVEC at TP1a(DFE4) vs. End to End COM (DFE4)

$\text{Eta}=2.5e-7V^2/\text{GHz}$

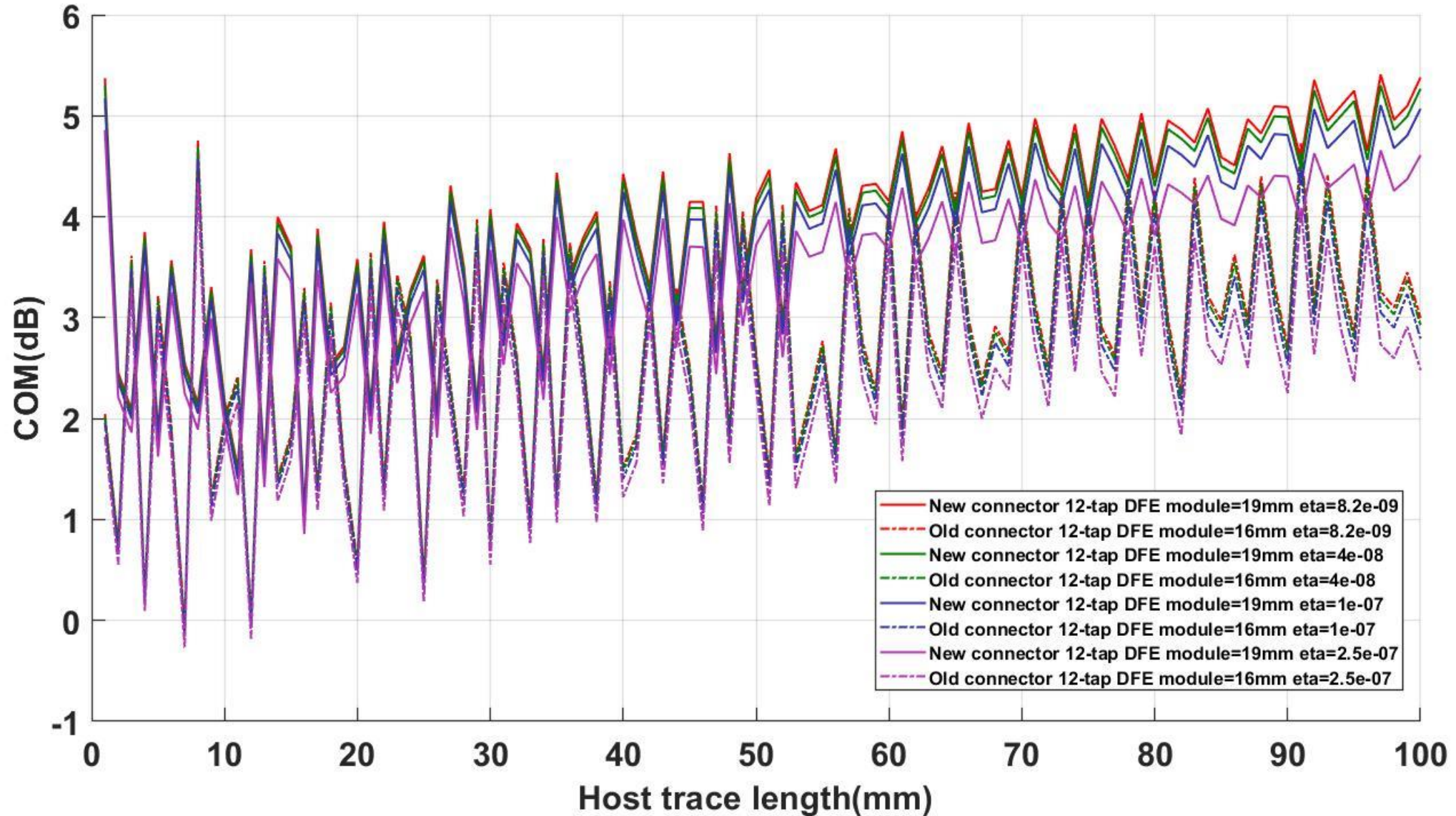


Module RX: 12-tap DFE

End to end COM (DFE12) examples with approximate worst case module length and TX FIR optimized for 4 tap DFE at TP1a

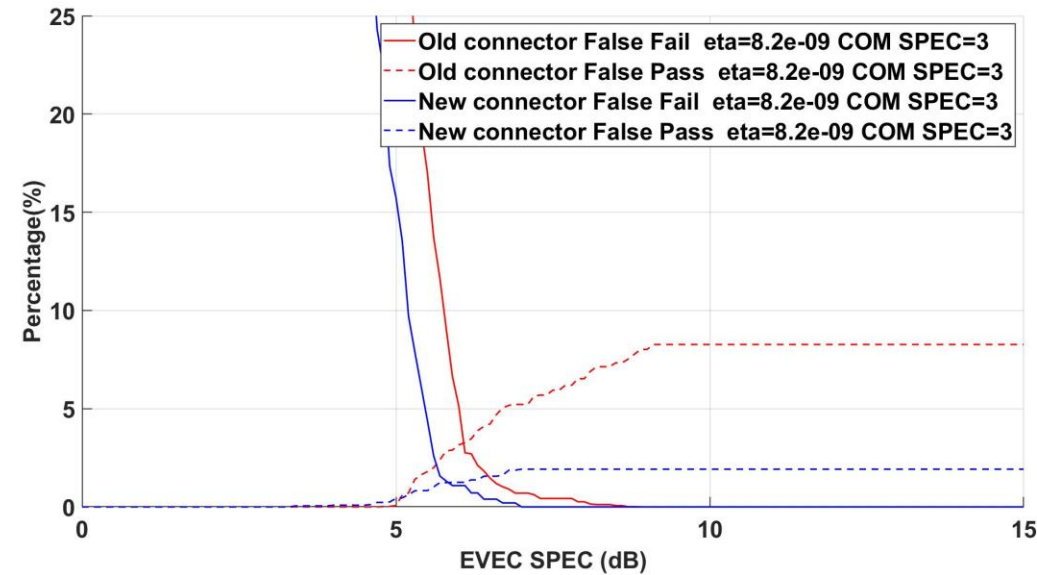
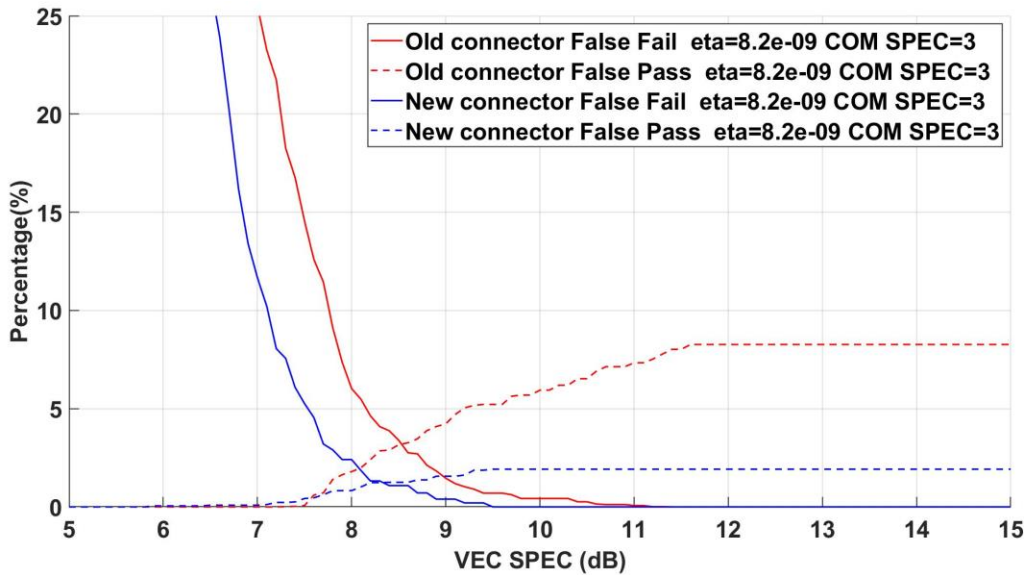
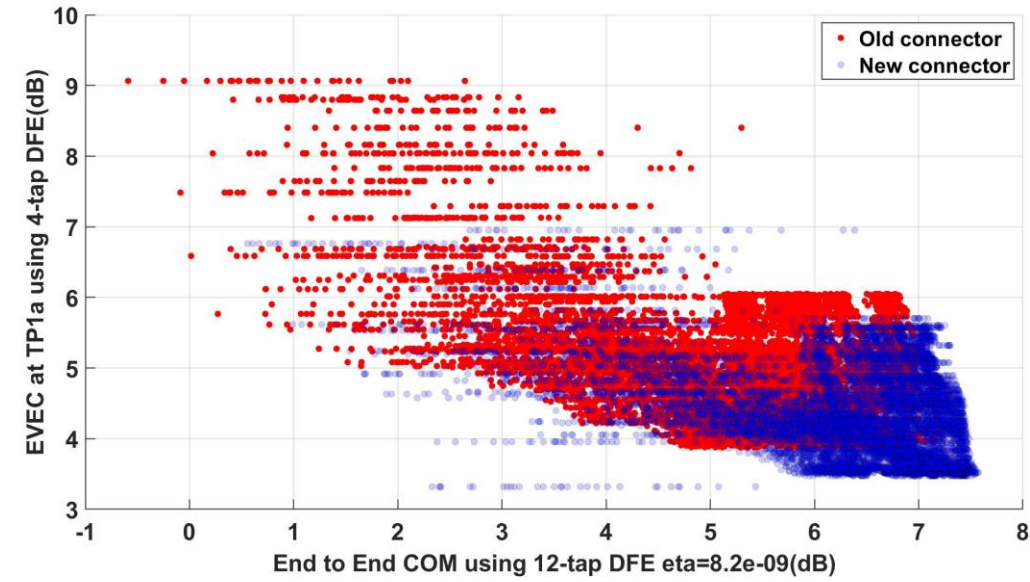
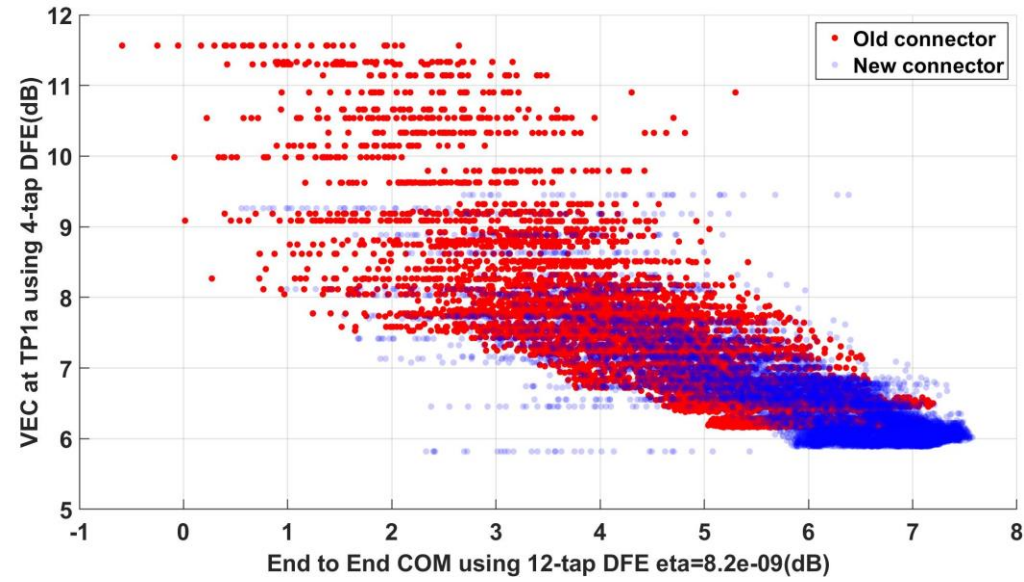


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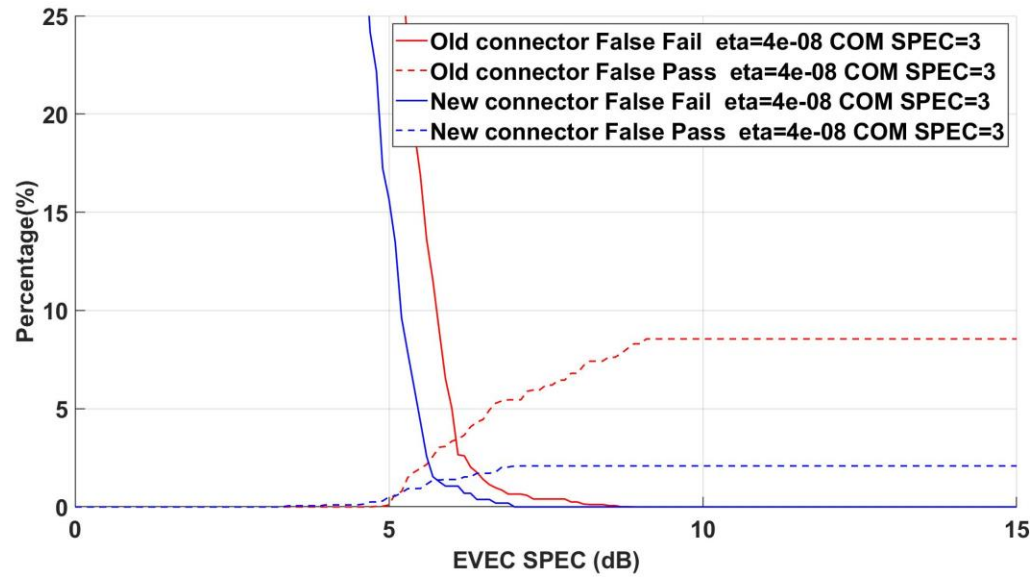
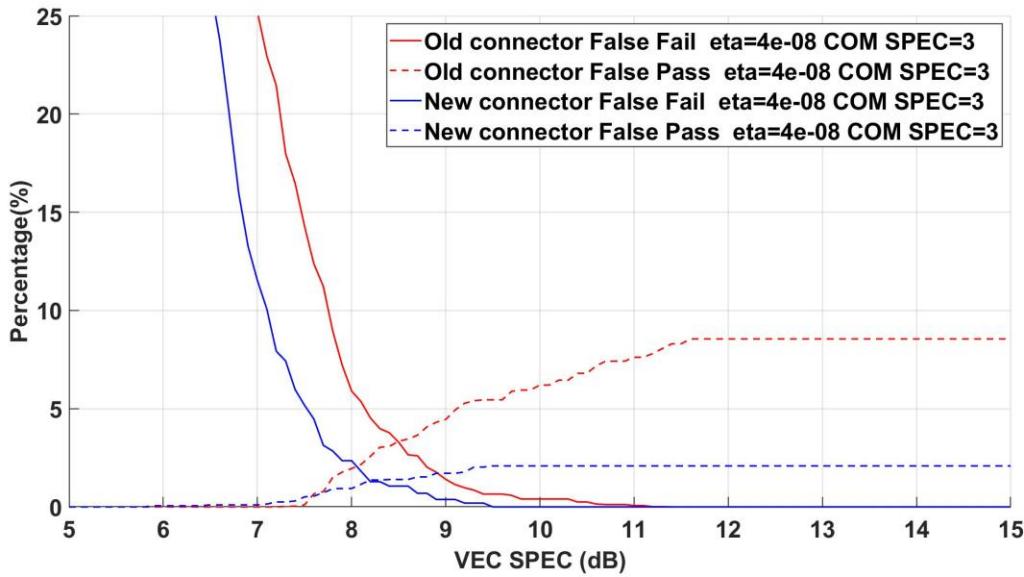
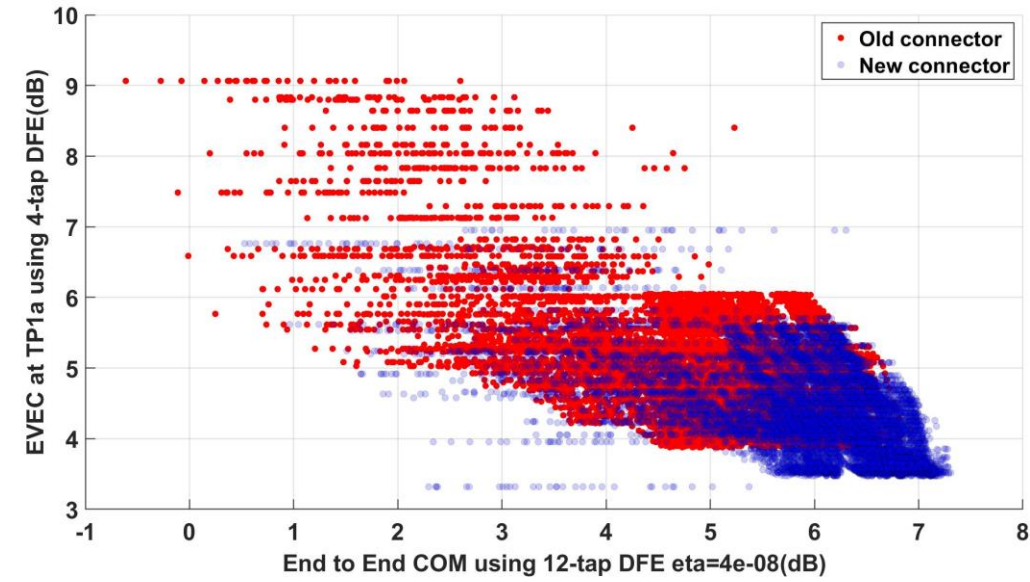
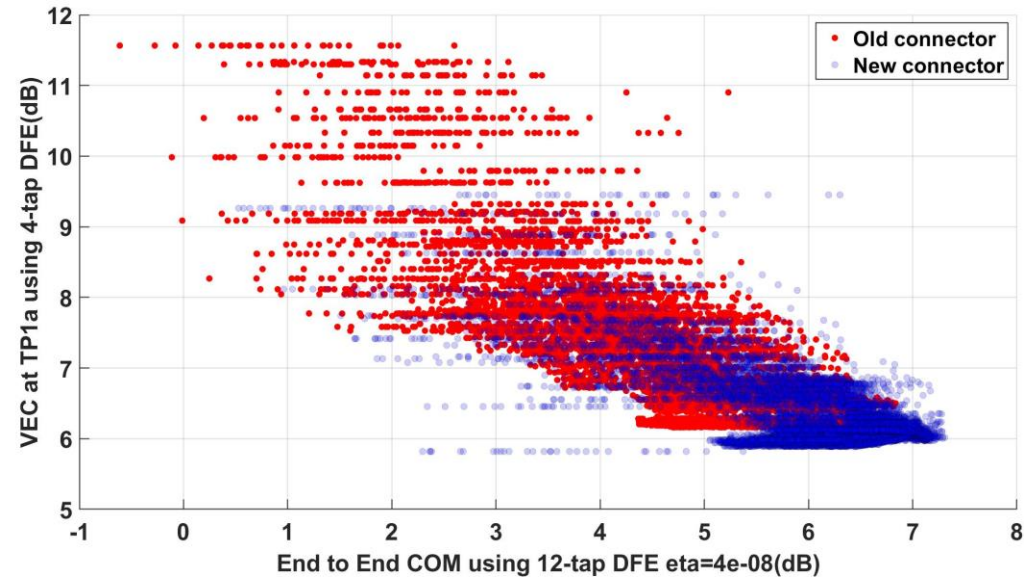
VEC/EVEC at TP1a(DFE4) vs. End to End COM (DFE12)

$\text{Eta} = 8.2 \times 10^{-9} \text{V}^2/\text{GHz}$



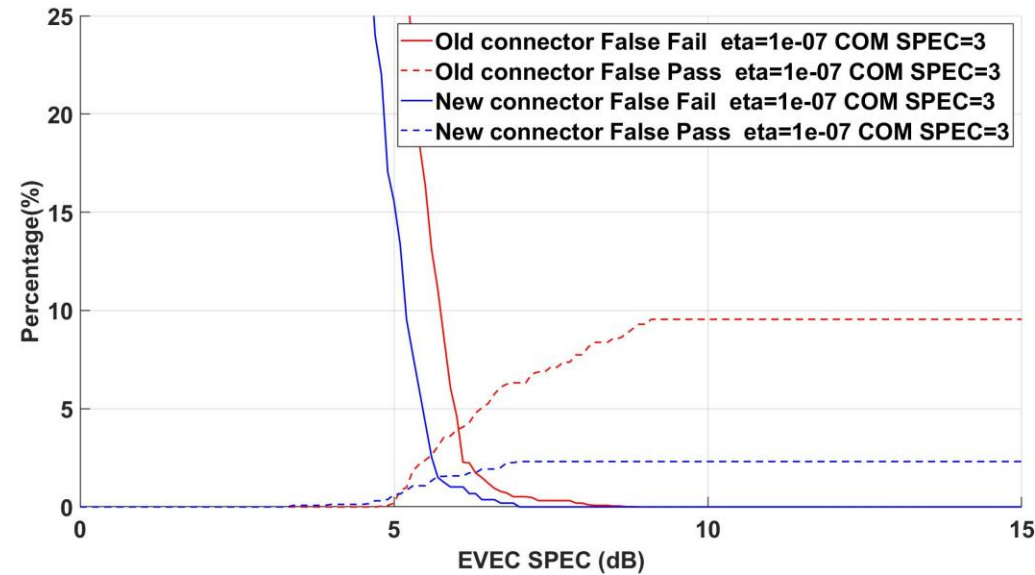
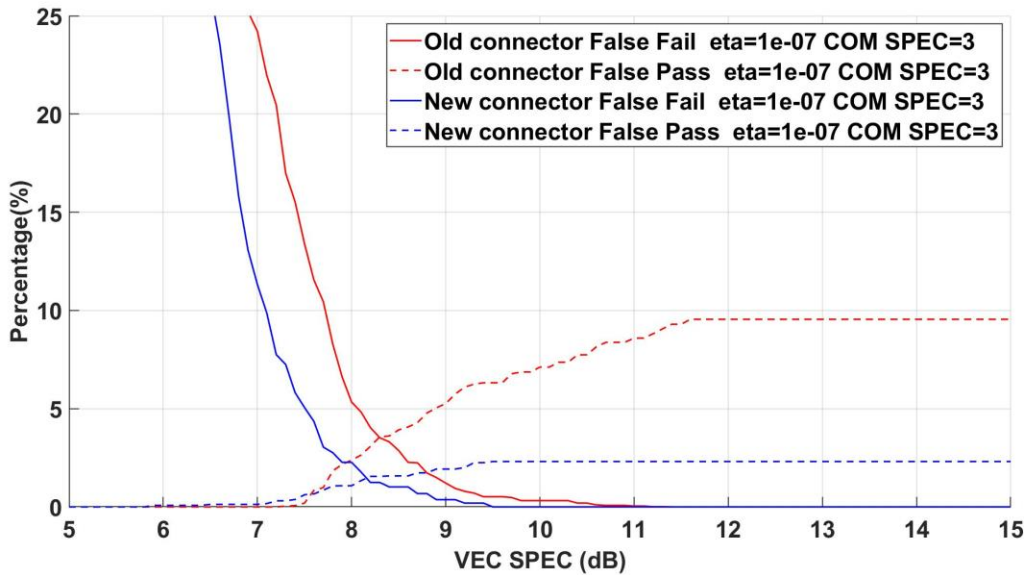
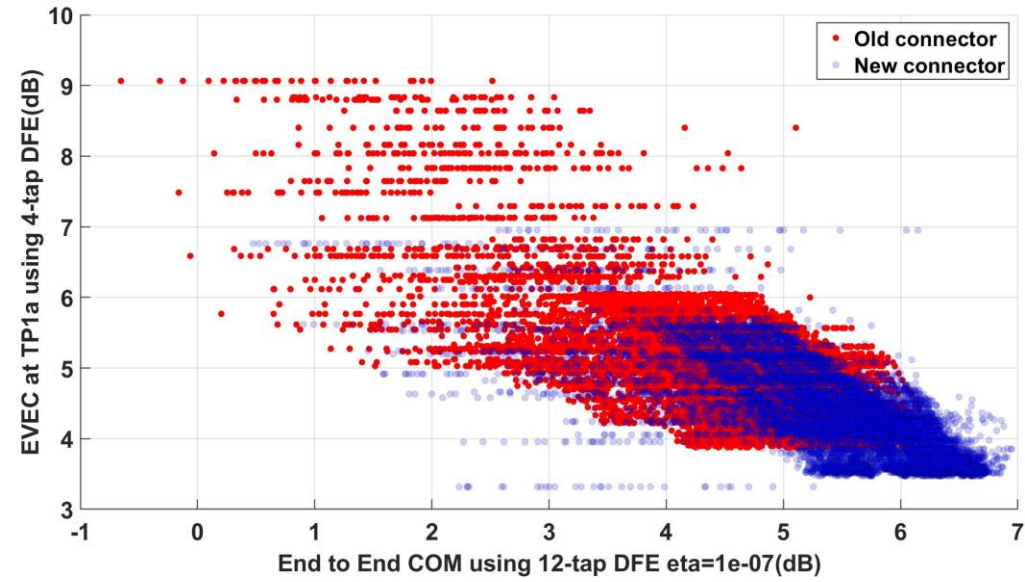
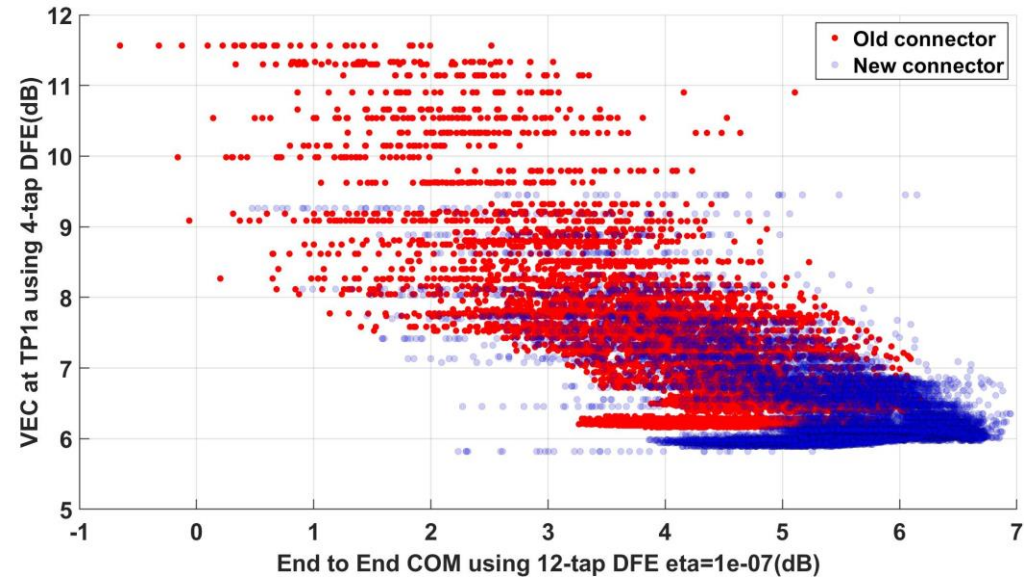
VEC/EVEC at TP1a(DFE4) vs. End to End COM (DFE12)

$\text{Eta}=4\text{e-}8\text{V}^2/\text{GHz}$

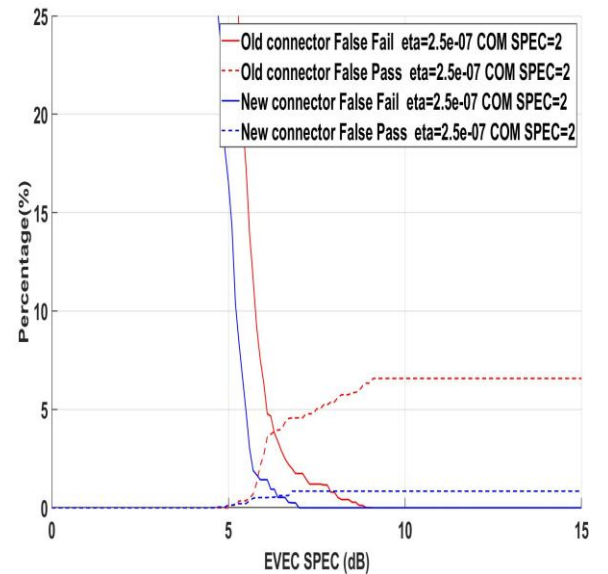
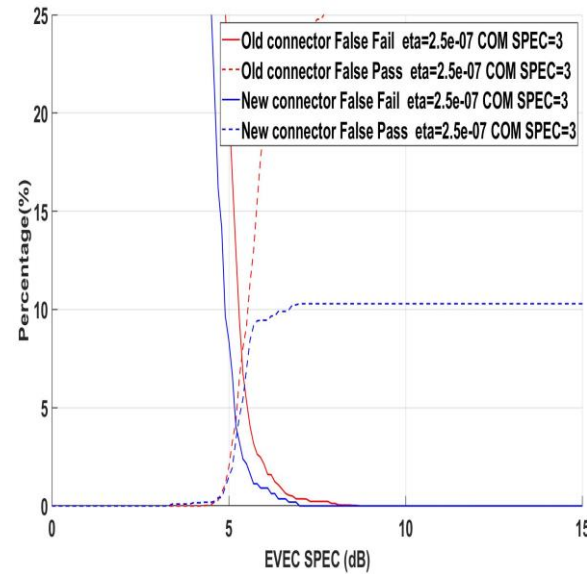
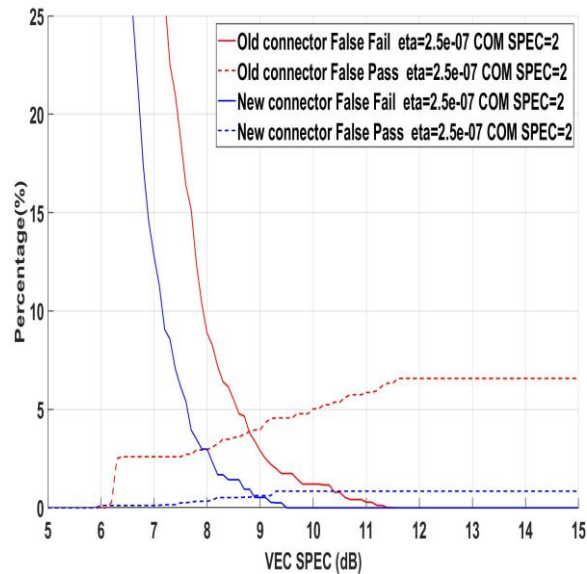
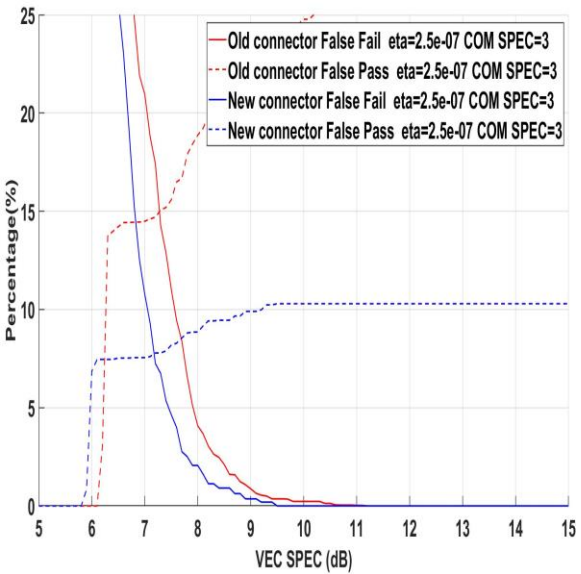
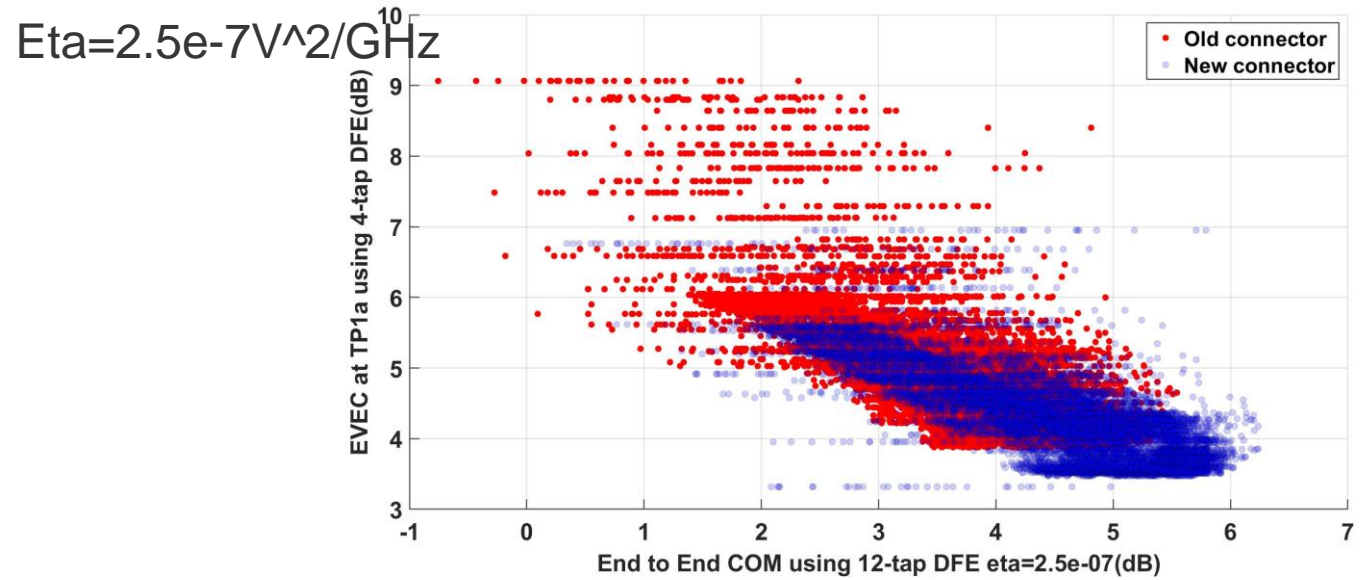
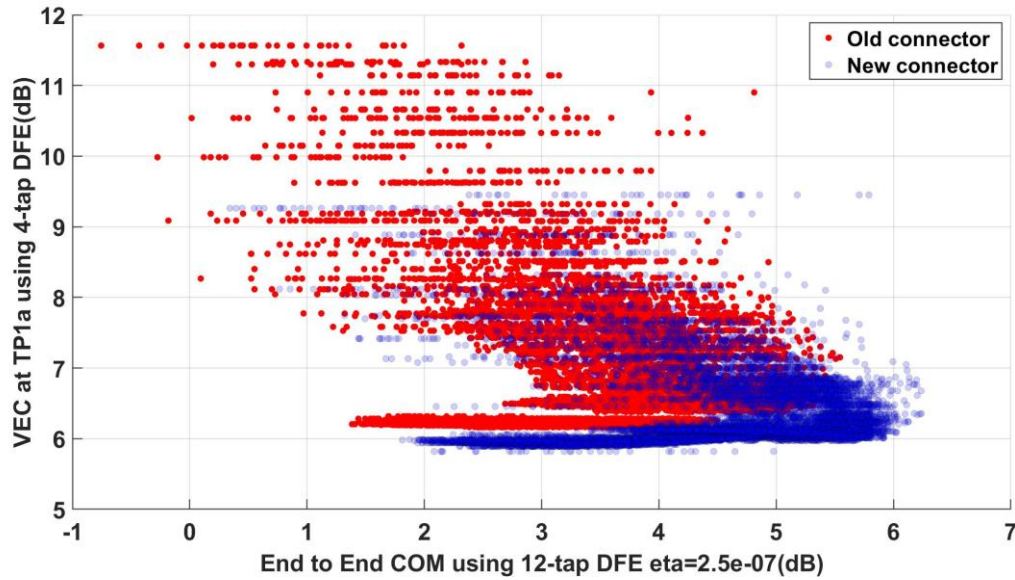


VEC/EVEC at TP1a(DFE4) vs. End to End COM (DFE12)

$\text{Eta}=1\text{e-}7\text{V}^2/\text{GHz}$

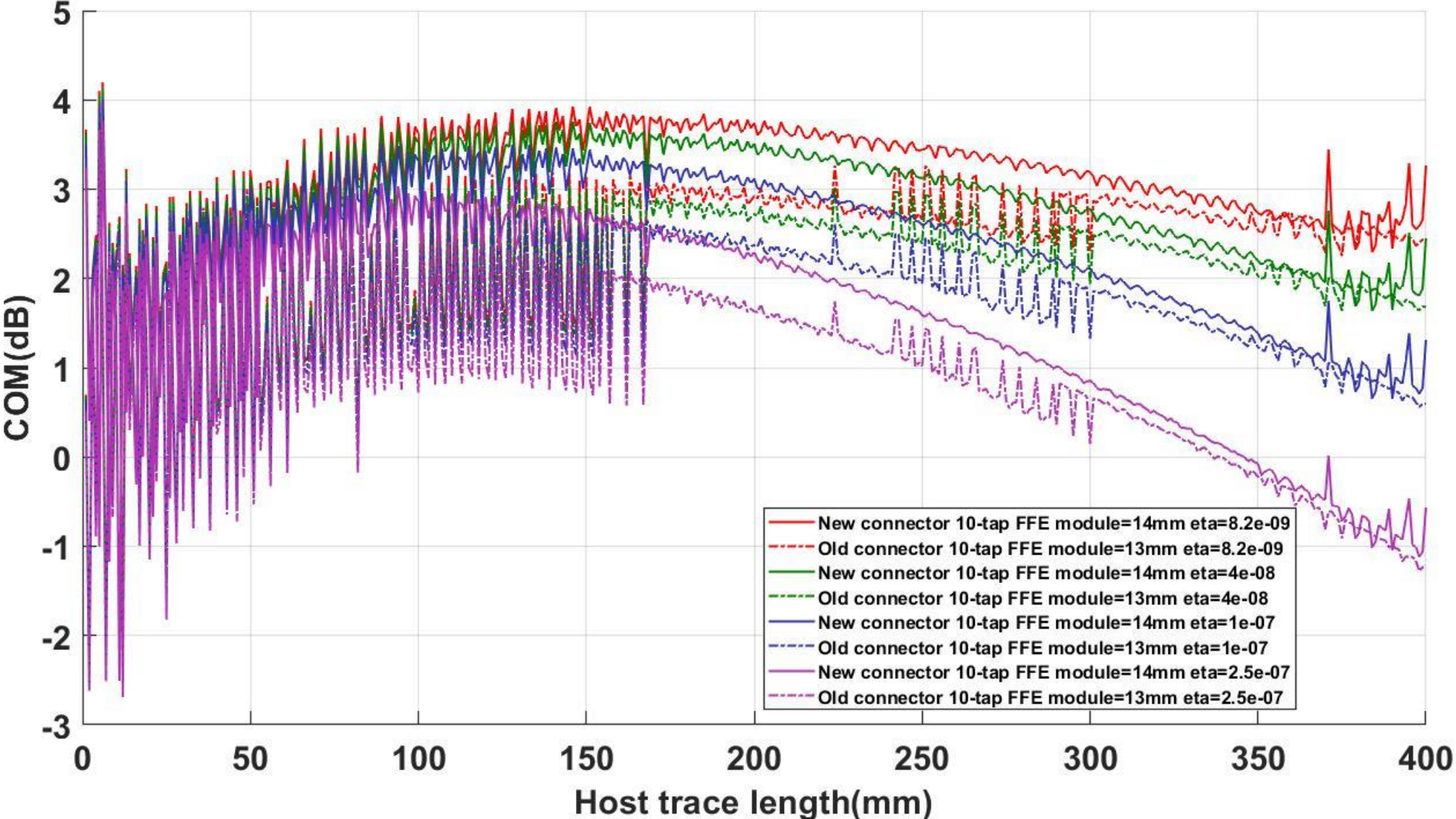


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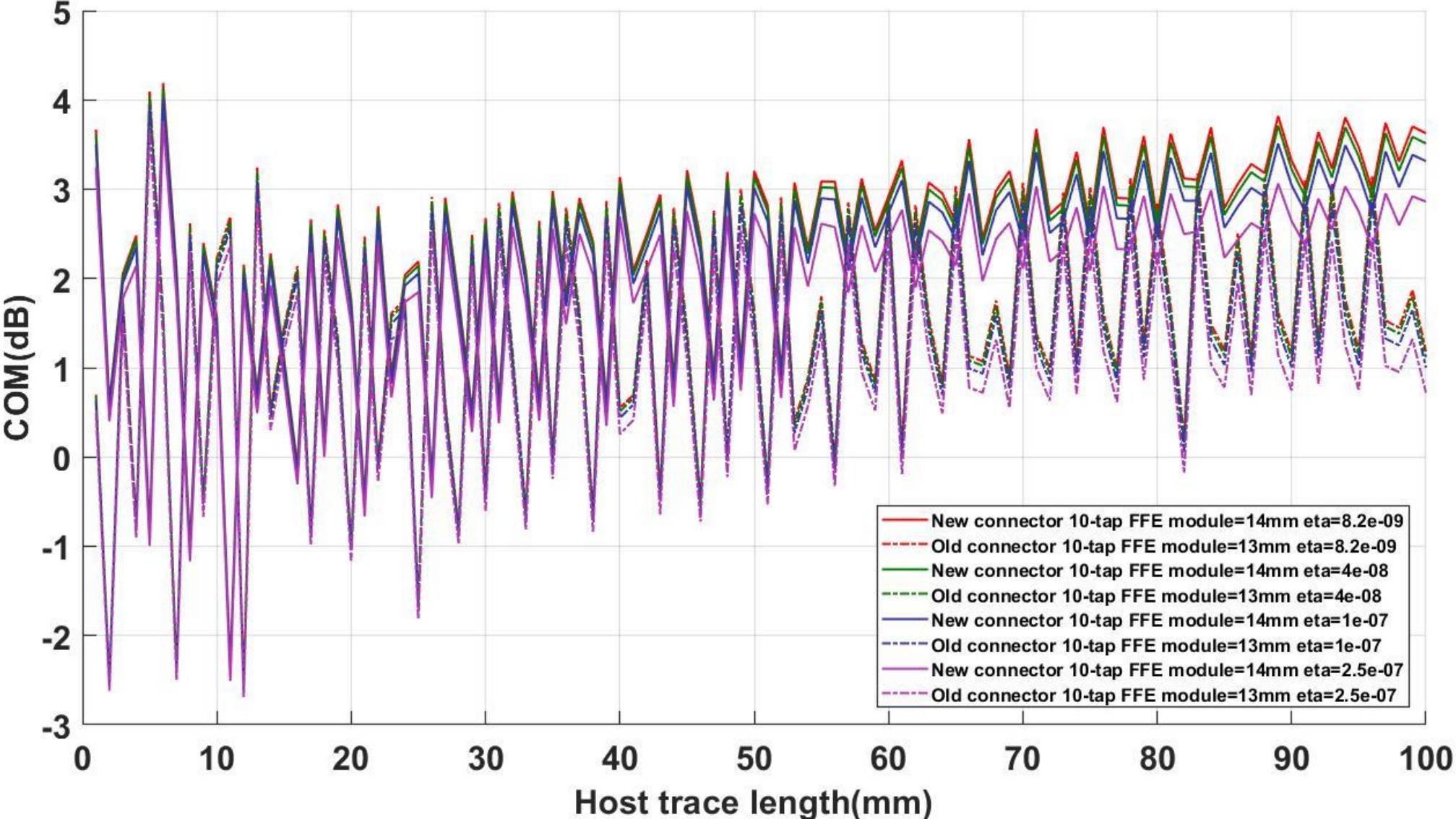


Module RX: 10-tap FFE

End to end COM (FFE10) examples with approximate worst case module length and TX FIR optimized for 4 tap DFE at TP1a

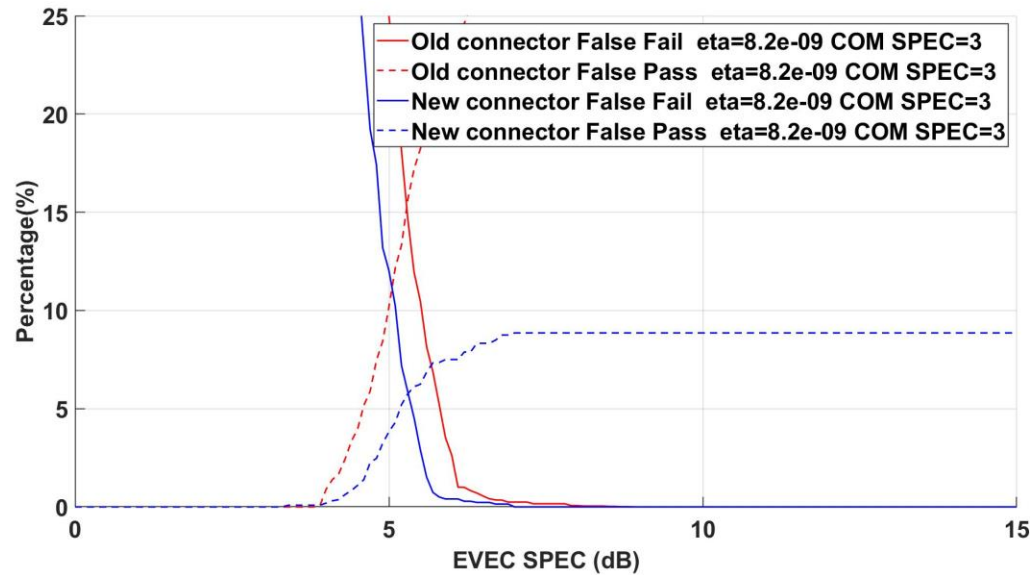
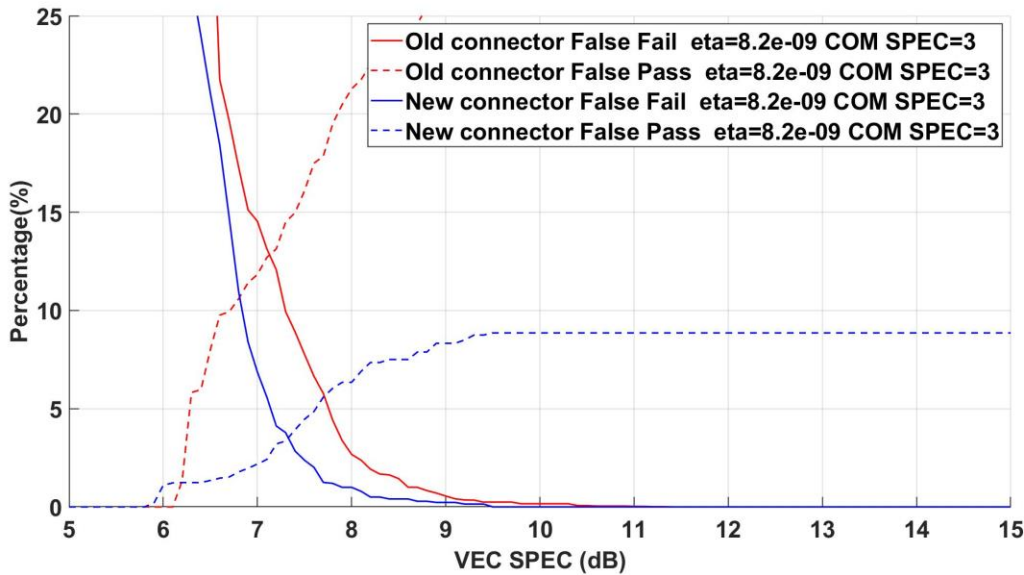
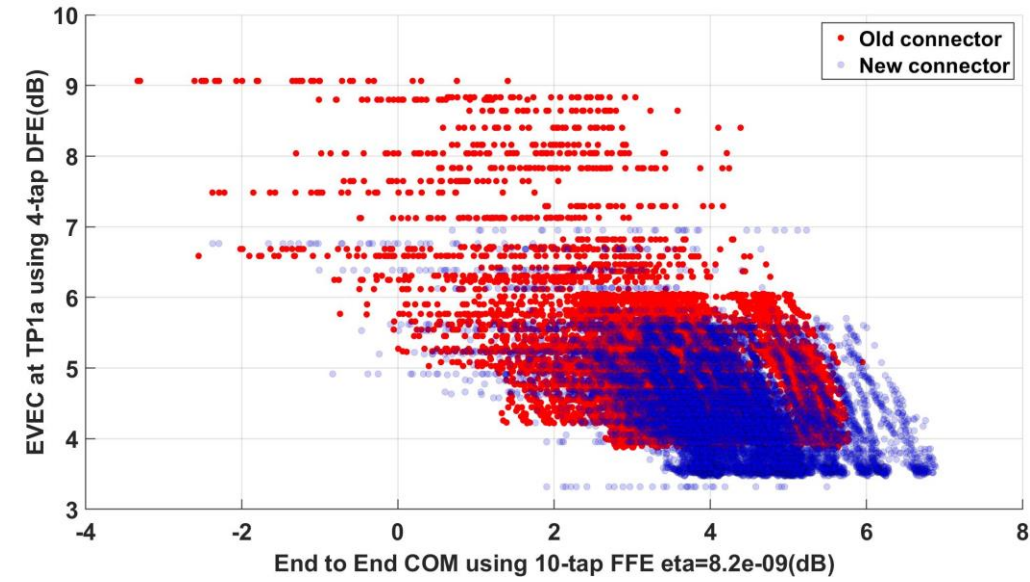
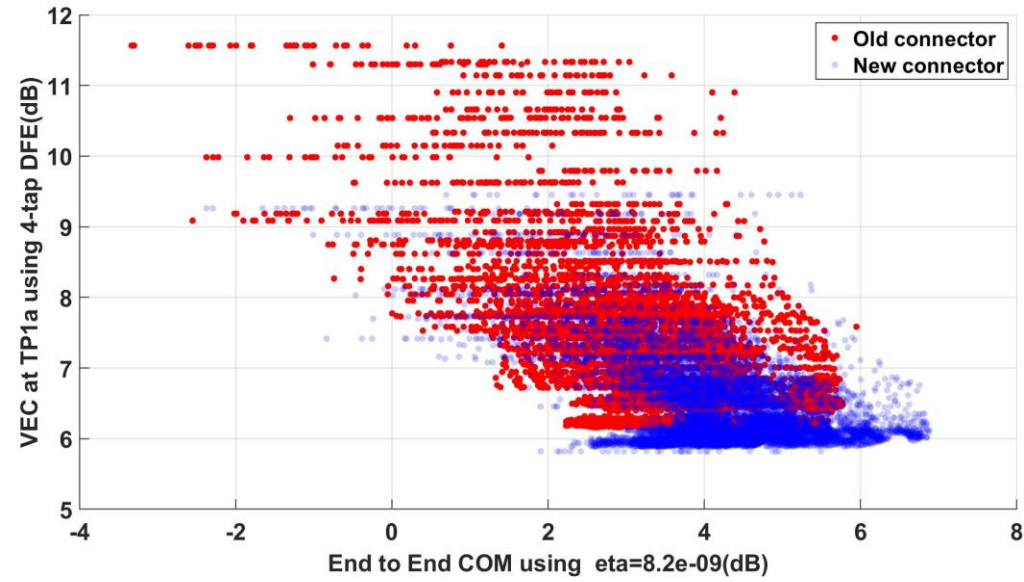


End to end COM (FFE10) examples with approximate worst case module length and TX FIR optimized for 4 tap DFE at TP1a



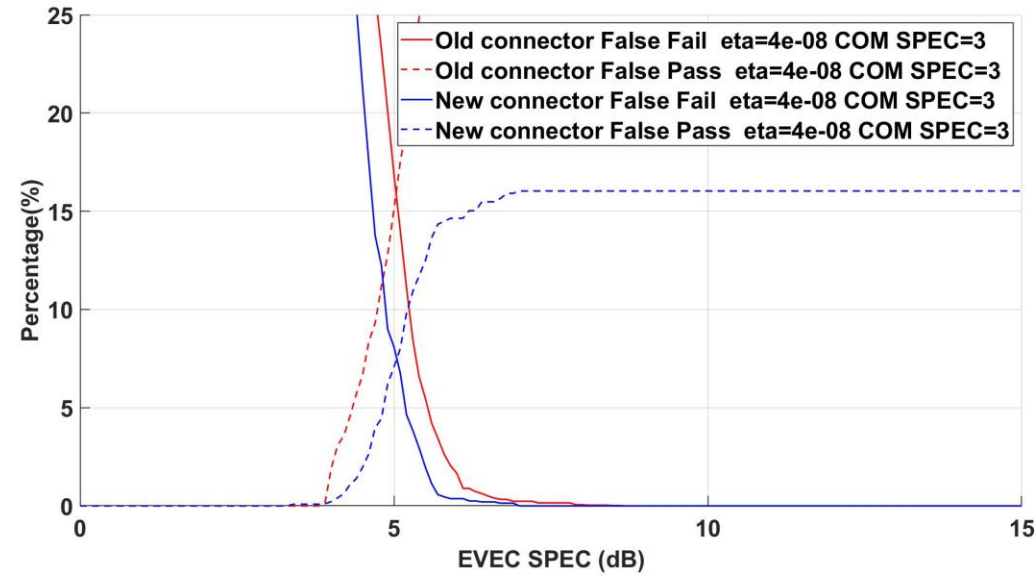
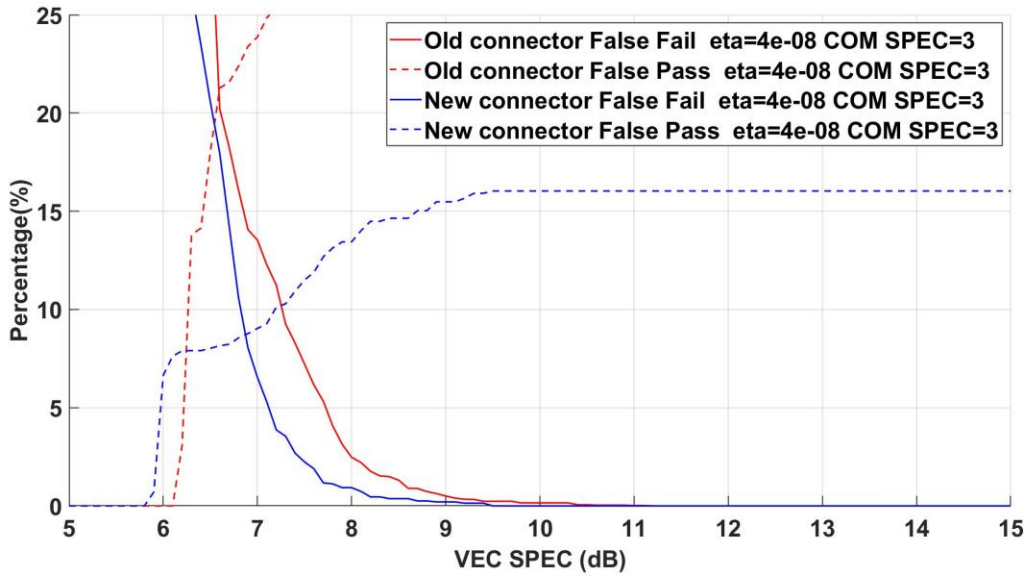
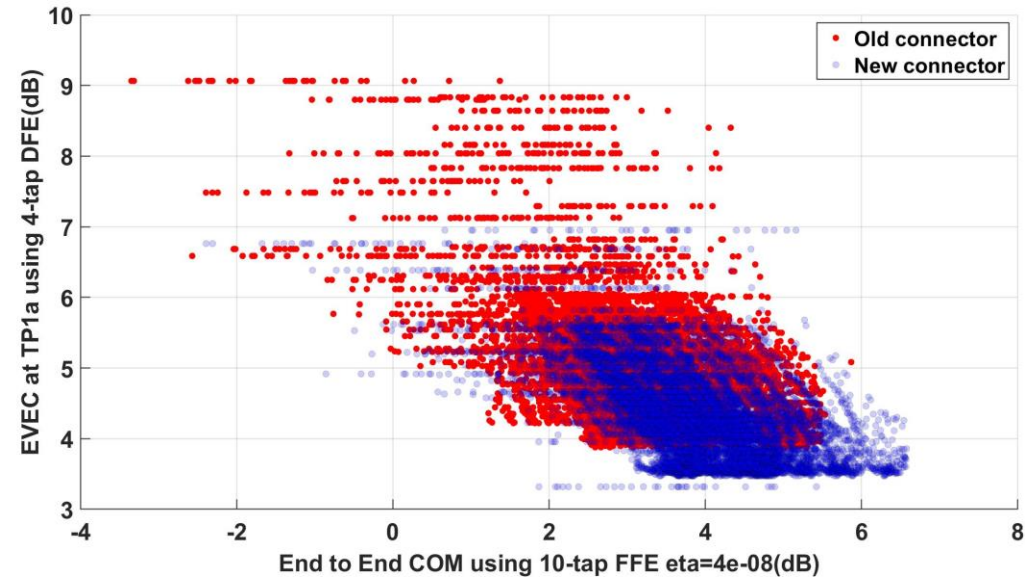
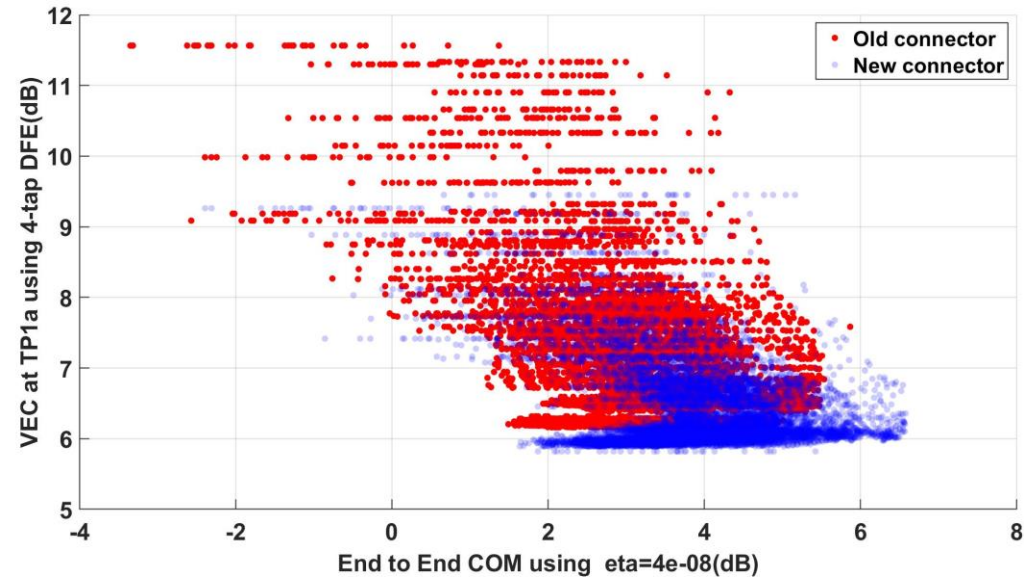
VEC/EVEC at TP1a(DFE4) vs. End to End COM (FFE10)

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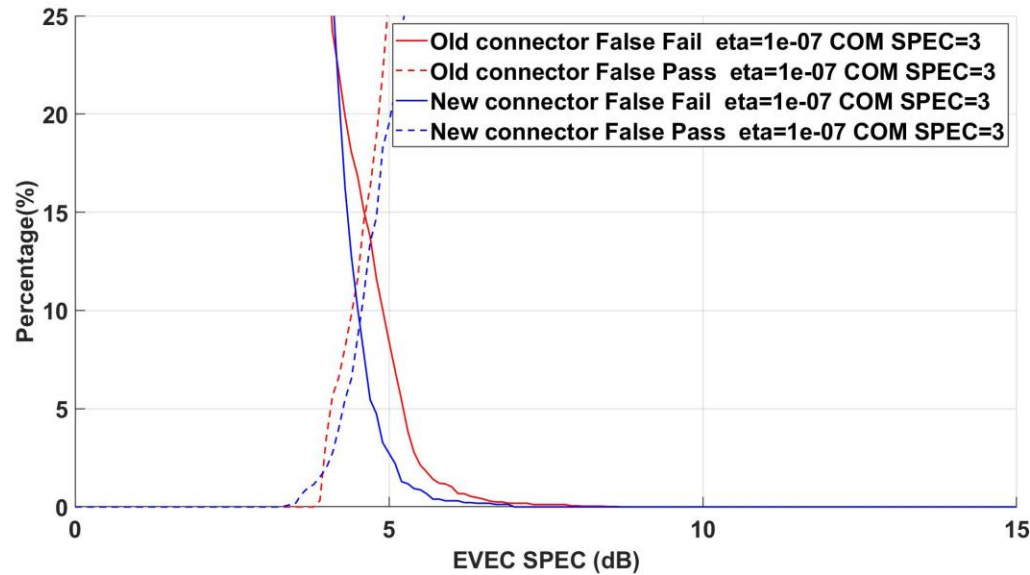
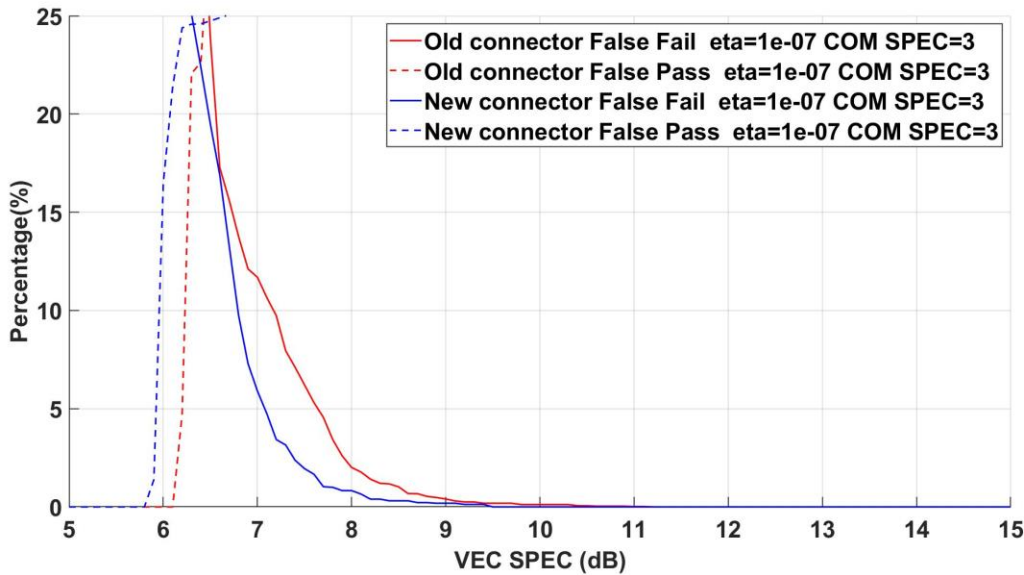
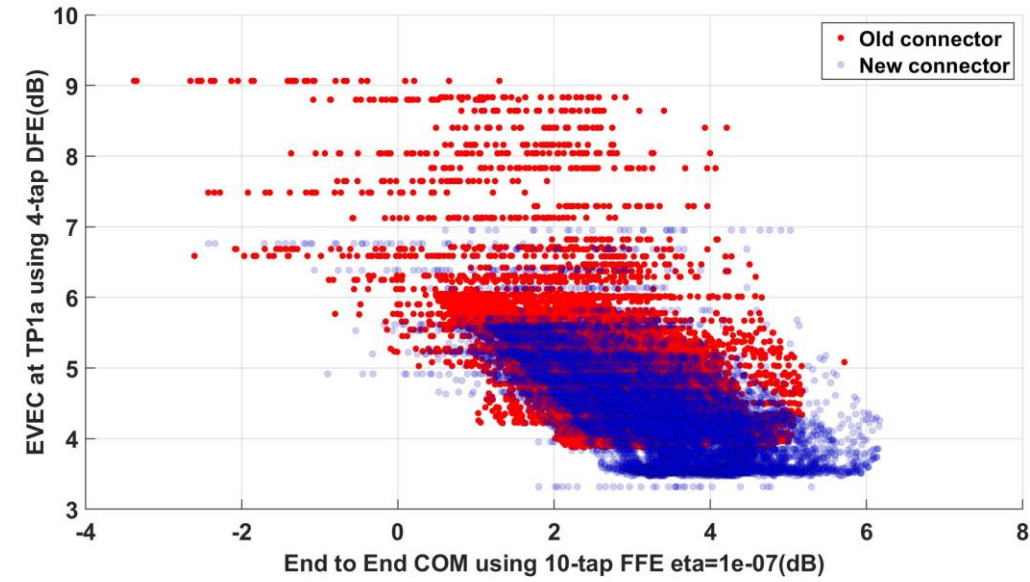
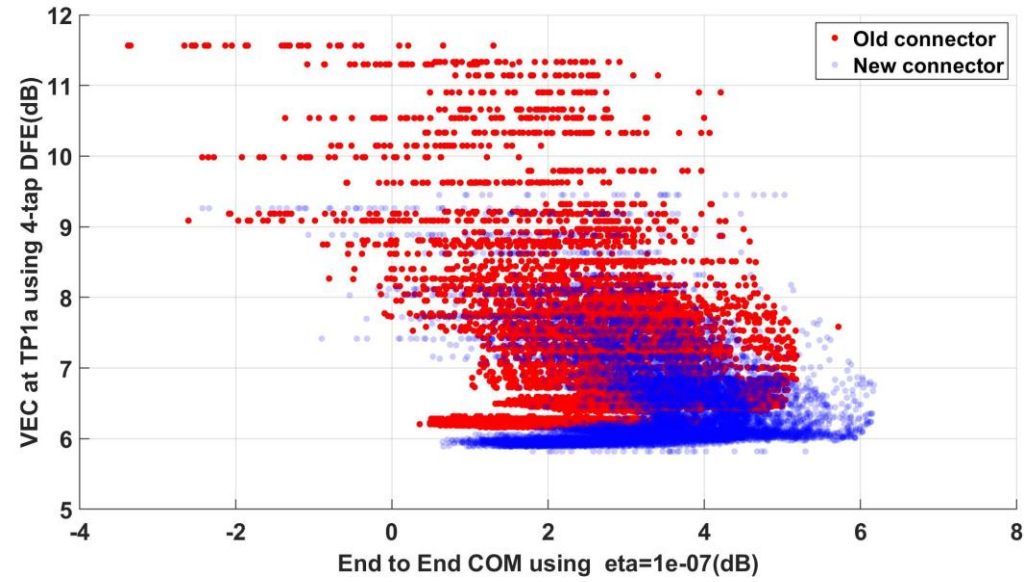
VEC/EVEC at TP1a(DFE4) vs. End to End COM (FFE10)

$\text{Eta}=4\text{e-}8\text{V}^2/\text{GHz}$



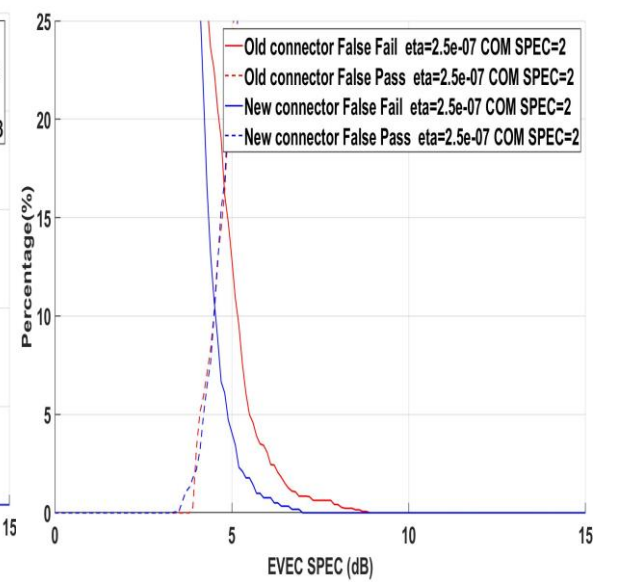
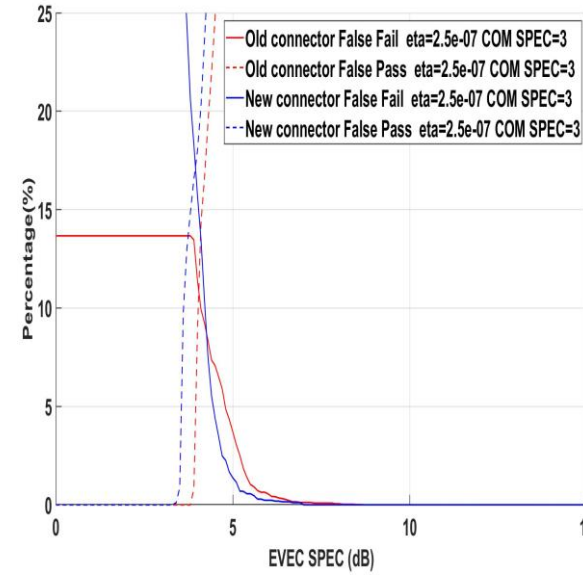
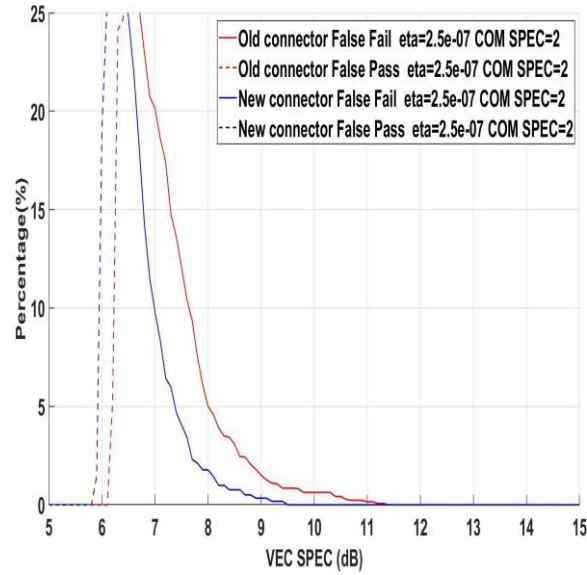
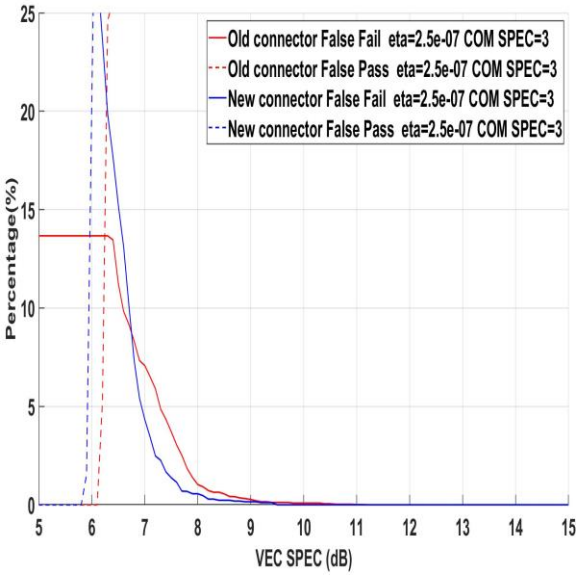
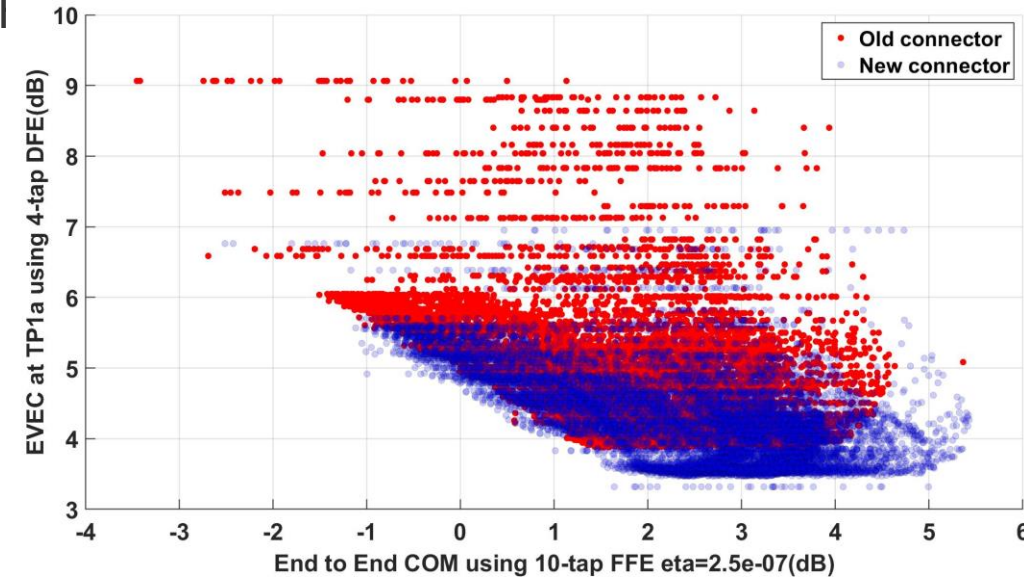
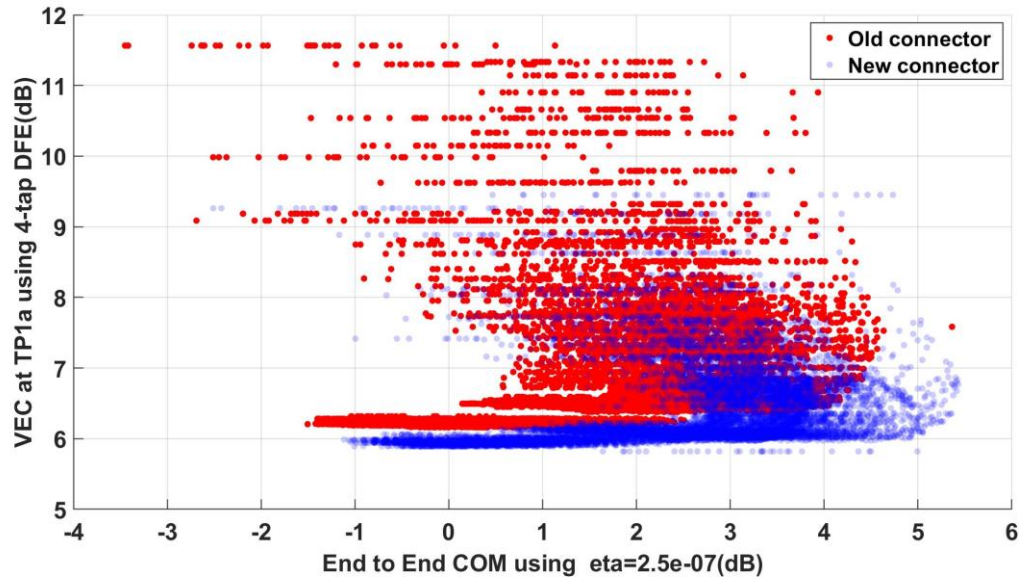
VEC/EVEC at TP1a(DFE4) vs. End to End COM (FFE10)

$\text{Eta}=1\text{e-}7\text{V}^2/\text{GHz}$



VEC/EVEC at TP1a(DFE4) vs. End to End COM (FFE10)

$$\text{Eta} = 2.5e-7 V^2 / GI$$



Conclusions.

- EVEC (with the parameters proposed in sun_3ck_adhoc_01_103019) only correlates better to whole link performance for very high values of module Rx noise (more than 10x the value being used for backplane)
- VEC should be used as the chief performance metric. (with an eye amplitude specification just to ensure that very high loss channels don't pass).
- The recommended specification value in Dudek_3ck_01_1119 was 7.5dB VEC to provide adequate performance for the critical 50mm to 160mm host trace lengths where the host could also be used for the CR specification with the old connector. This will require a strong module equalizer however. With the improved connector it appears that a somewhat tighter host specification might be usable to enable a weaker module equalizer but note that there are other impairments that have not been explored in this presentation. In particular the effect of vias and crosstalk in the host.

Back-up

TP1a COM spreadsheet w/ 4-tap DFE RX

Table 93A-1 parameters			
Parameter	Setting	Units	Information
f_b	53.125	GBd	
f_min	0.05	GHz	
Delta_f	0.01	GHz	
C_d	[1.2e-4 0]	nF	[TX RX]
L_s	[0.12, 0]	nH	[TX RX]
C_b	[0.3e-4 0]	nF	[TX RX]
z_p_select	[1]		[test cases to run]
z_p (TX)	[13 13; 1.8 1.8]	mm	[test cases]
z_p (NEXT)	[0 0; 0 0]	mm	[test cases]
z_p (FEXT)	[13 13; 1.8 1.8]	mm	[test cases]
z_p (RX)	[0 0; 0 0]	mm	[test cases]
C_p	[0.87e-4 0]	nF	[TX RX]
R_0	50	Ohm	
R_d	[50 50]	Ohm	[TX RX]
A_v	0.415	V	
A_fe	0.415	V	
A_ne	0.6	V	
L	4		
M	32		
filter and Eq			
f_r	0.75	*fb	
c(0)	0.6		min
c(-1)	[-0.3:0.02:0]		[min:step:max]
c(-2)	[0:.02:0.1]		[min:step:max]
c(1)	[-0.1:0.05:0]		[min:step:max]
N_b	4	UI	
b_max(1)	0.5		
b_max(2..N_b)	0.2		
g_DC	[-14:1:-3]	dB	[min:step:max]
f_z	12.58	GHz	
f_p1	20	GHz	
f_p2	28	GHz	
g_DC_HP	[-3:1:0]		[min:step:max]
f_HP_PZ	1.328125	GHz	
ffe_pre_tap_len	0	UI	
ffe_post_tap_len	0	UI	
Include PCB	1	logical	
ffe_tap_step_size	0		
ffe_main_cursor_min	0.7		
ffe_pre_tap1_max	0.3		
ffe_post_tap1_max	0.3		
ffe_tapn_max	0.125		
ffe_backoff	0		

I/O control		
DIAGNOSTICS	0	logical
DISPLAY_WINDOW	0	logical
CSV_REPORT	1	logical
RESULT_DIR	results\100GEL_WG_{date}\	
SAVE_FIGURES	0	logical
Port Order	[13 2 4]	
RUNTAG	C2M_1218	
COM_CONTRIBUTION	0	logical
Operational		
COM Pass threshold	3	dB
ERL Pass threshold	10.5	dB
DER_0	1.00E-05	
T_r	6.16E-03	ns
FORCE_TR	1	logical
TDR and ERL options		
TDR	0	logical
ERL	0	logical
ERL_ONLY	0	logical
TR_TDR	0.01	ns
N	300	
TDR_Butterworth	1	logical
beta_x	1.70E+09	
rho_x	0.3	
fixture delay time	0	
Receiver testing		
RX_CALIBRATION	0	logical
Sigma BBN step	5.00E-03	V
Noise, jitter		
sigma_RJ	0.01	UI
A_DD	0.02	UI
eta_0	0.00E+00	V^2/GHz
SNR_TX	33	dB
R_LM	0.95	
TDR_W_TXPKG	1	

Table 93A-3 parameters		
Parameter	Setting	Units
package_tl_gamma0_a1_a2	[0 0.0009909 0.0002772]	
package_tl_tau	6.1400E-03	ns/mm
package_Z_c	[87.5 87.5 ; 92.5 92.5]	Ohm
Table 92-12 parameters		
Parameter	Setting	
board_tl_gamma0_a1_a2	[0 3.8206e-04 9.5909e-05]	
board_tl_tau	5.790E-03	ns/mm
board_Z_c	[100 100]	Ohm
z_bp (TX)	7	mm
z_bp (NEXT)	0	mm
z_bp (FEXT)	0	mm
z_bp (RX)	63.8	mm

TX package:

11.5mm for old connector

13mm for improved connector

z_bp(TX):

1 to 400mm w/ step 1mm

End to end COM spreadsheet w/ n-tap DFE RX

Table 93A-1 parameters			
Parameter	Setting	Units	Information
f_b	53.125	GBd	
f_min	0.05	GHz	
Delta_f	0.01	GHz	
C_d	[1.2e-4 1.0e-4]	nF	[TX RX]
L_s	[0.12, 0.1]	nH	[TX RX]
C_b	[0.3e-4 0.3e-4]	nF	[TX RX]
z_p select	[1]		[test cases to run]
z_p (TX)	[11.5 11.5; 1.8 1.8]	mm	[test cases]
z_p (NEXT)	[0.0; 0.0]	mm	[test cases]
z_p (FEXT)	[11.5 11.5; 1.8 1.8]	mm	[test cases]
z_p (RX)	[6.6; 0.0]	mm	[test cases]
C_p	[0.87e-4 0.87e-4]	nF	[TX RX]
R_0	50	Ohm	
R_d	[50 50]	Ohm	[TX RX]
A_v	0.415	V	
A_fe	0.415	V	
A_ne	0.6	V	
L	4		
M	32		
filter and Eq			
f_r	0.75	*fb	
c(0)	0.6		min
c(-1)	[-0.3:0.02:0]		[min:step:max]
c(-2)	[0:.02:0.1]		[min:step:max]
c(1)	[-0.1:0.05:0]		[min:step:max]
N_b	4/7/12	UI	
b_max(1)	0.5		
b_max(2..N_b)	0.2		
g_DC	[-14:1:-3]	dB	[min:step:max]
f_z	12.58	GHz	
f_p1	20	GHz	
f_p2	28	GHz	
g_DC_HP	[-3:1:0]		[min:step:max]
f_HP_PZ	1.328125	GHz	
ffe_pre_tap_len	0	UI	
ffe_post_tap_len	0	UI	
Include PCB	1	logical	
ffe_tap_step_size	0		
ffe_main_cursor_min	0.7		
ffe_pre_tap1_max	0.3		
ffe_post_tap1_max	0.3		
ffe_tapn_max	0.125		
ffe_backoff	0		

I/O control		
DIAGNOSTICS	0	logical
DISPLAY_WINDOW	0	logical
CSV_REPORT	1	logical
RESULT_DIR	results\100GEL_WG_{date}\	
SAVE_FIGURES	0	logical
Port Order	[1 3 2 4]	
RUNTAG	C2M_1218	
COM_CONTRIBUTION	0	logical
Operational		
COM Pass threshold	3	dB
ERL Pass threshold	10.5	dB
DER_0	1.00E-05	
T_r	6.16E-03	ns
FORCE_TR	1	logical
TDR and ERL options		
TDR	0	logical
ERL	0	logical
ERL_ONLY	0	logical
TR_TDR	0.01	ns
N	300	
TDR_Butterworth	1	logical
beta_x	1.70E+09	
rho_x	0.3	
fixture delay time	0	
Receiver testing		
RX_CALIBRATION	0	logical
Sigma BBN step	5.00E-03	V
Noise, jitter		
sigma_RJ	0.01	UI
A_DD	0.02	UI
eta_0	8.20E-09	V^2/GHz
SNR_TX	33	dB
R_LM	0.95	
TDR_W_TXPKG	1	

Table 93A-3 parameters		
Parameter	Setting	Units
package_tl_gamma0_a1_a2	[0 0.0009909 0.0002772]	
package_tl_tau	6.1400E-03	ns/mm
package_Z_c	[87.5 92.5 ; 92.5 92.5]	Ohm
Table 92-12 parameters		
Parameter	Setting	
board_tl_gamma0_a1_a2	[0 3.8206e-04 9.5909e-05]	
board_tl_tau	5.790E-03	ns/mm
board_Z_c	[100 92.5]	Ohm
z_bp (TX)	1:400	mm
z_bp (NEXT)	0	mm
z_bp (FEXT)	0	mm
z_bp (RX)	1:30	mm

TX package:

11.5mm for old connector

13mm for improved connector

z_bp(TX):

1 to 400mm w/ step 1mm

z_bp(RX):

1 to 30mm w/ step 1mm

Eta_0: [8.2e-9 4e-8 1e-7 2.5e-7] V^2/GHz

End to end COM spreadsheet w/ 10-tap FFE

Table 93A-1 parameters			
Parameter	Setting	Units	Information
f_b	53.125	GBd	
f_min	0.05	GHz	
Delta_f	0.01	GHz	
C_d	[1.2e-4 1.0e-4]	nF	[TX RX]
L_s	[0.12, 0.1]	nH	[TX RX]
C_b	[0.3e-4 0.3e-4]	nF	[TX RX]
z_p select	[1]		[test cases to run]
z_p (TX)	[13 13; 1.8 1.8]	mm	[test cases]
z_p (NEXT)	[00; 00]	mm	[test cases]
z_p (FEXT)	[13 13; 1.8 1.8]	mm	[test cases]
z_p (RX)	[6 6; 0.0]	mm	[test cases]
C_p	[0.87e-4 0.87e-4]	nF	[TX RX]
R_0	50	Ohm	
R_d	[50 50]	Ohm	[TX RX]
A_v	0.415	V	
A_fe	0.415	V	
A_ne	0.6	V	
L	4		
M	32		
filter and Eq			
f_r	0.75	*fb	
c(0)	0.6		min
c(-1)	[-0.3:0.02:0]		[min:step:max]
c(-2)	[0:0.02:0.1]		[min:step:max]
c(1)	[-0.1:0.05:0]		[min:step:max]
N_b	0	UI	
b_max(1)	0		
b_max(2..N_b)	0		
g_DC	[-14:1:-3]	dB	[min:step:max]
f_z	18.88	GHz	
f_p1	28	GHz	
f_p2	53.125	GHz	
g_DC_HP	[-3:1:0]		[min:step:max]
f_HP_PZ	0.00025	GHz	
ffe_pre_tap_len	0	UI	
ffe_post_tap_len	9	UI	
Include PCB	1	logical	
ffe_tap_step_size	0		
ffe_main_cursor_min	0.7		
ffe_pre_tap1_max	0.3		
ffe_post_tap1_max	0.3		
ffe_tapn_max	0.125		
ffe_backoff	0		

I/O control		
DIAGNOSTICS	0	logical
DISPLAY_WINDOW	0	logical
CSV_REPORT	1	logical
RESULT_DIR	results\100GEL_WG_{date}	
SAVE_FIGURES	0	logical
Port Order	[1 3 2 4]	
RUNTAG	C2M_1218	
COM_CONTRIBUTION	0	logical
Operational		
COM Pass threshold	3	dB
ERL Pass threshold	10.5	dB
DER_0	1.00E-05	
T_r	6.16E-03	ns
FORCE_TR	1	logical
TDR and ERL options		
TDR	0	logical
ERL	0	logical
ERL_ONLY	0	logical
TR_TDR	0.01	ns
N	300	
TDR_Butterworth	1	logical
beta_x	1.70E+09	
rho_x	0.3	
fixture delay time	0	
Receiver testing		
RX_CALIBRATION	0	logical
Sigma BBN step	5.00E-03	V
Noise, jitter		
sigma_RJ	0.01	UI
A_DD	0.02	UI
eta_0	8.20E-09	V^2/GHz
SNR_TX	33	dB
R_LM	0.95	

TDR_W_TXPKG	1	
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Table 93A-3 parameters		
Parameter	Setting	Units
package_tl_gamma0_a1_a2	[0 0.0009909 0.0002772]	
package_tl_tau	6.1400E-03	ns/mm
package_Z_c	[87.5 92.5 ; 92.5 92.5]	Ohm
Table 92-12 parameters		
Parameter	Setting	
board_tl_gamma0_a1_a2	[0 3.8206e-04 9.5909e-05]	
board_tl_tau	5.790E-03	ns/mm
board_Z_c	[100 92.5]	Ohm
z_bp (TX)	41	mm
z_bp (NEXT)	0	mm
z_bp (FEXT)	0	mm
z_bp (RX)	7	mm

TX package:

11.5mm for old connector

13mm for improved connector

z_bp(TX):

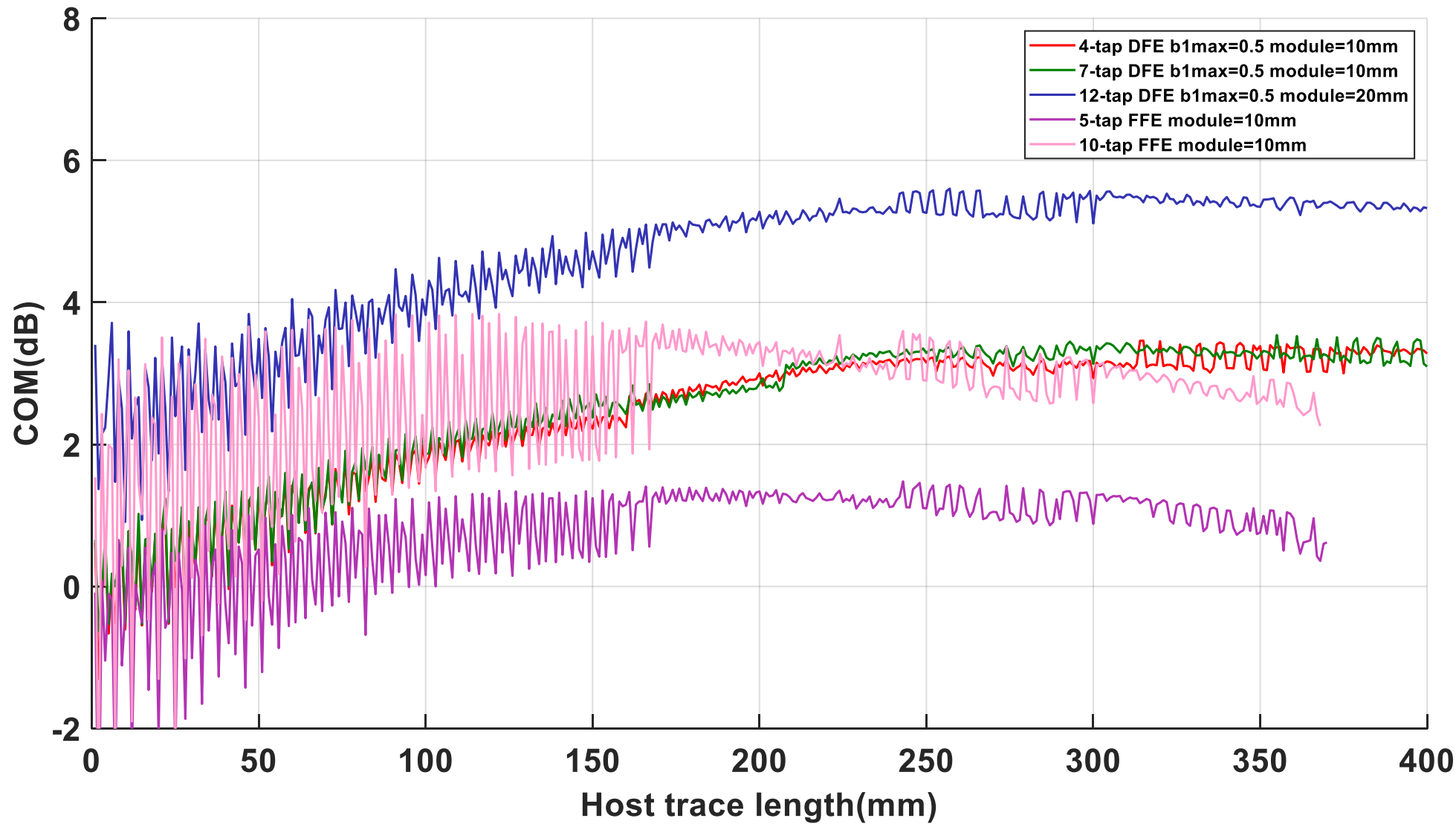
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z_bp(RX):

1 to 30mm w/ step 1mm

Eta_0: [8.2e-9 4e-8 1e-7 2.5e-7] V^2/GHz

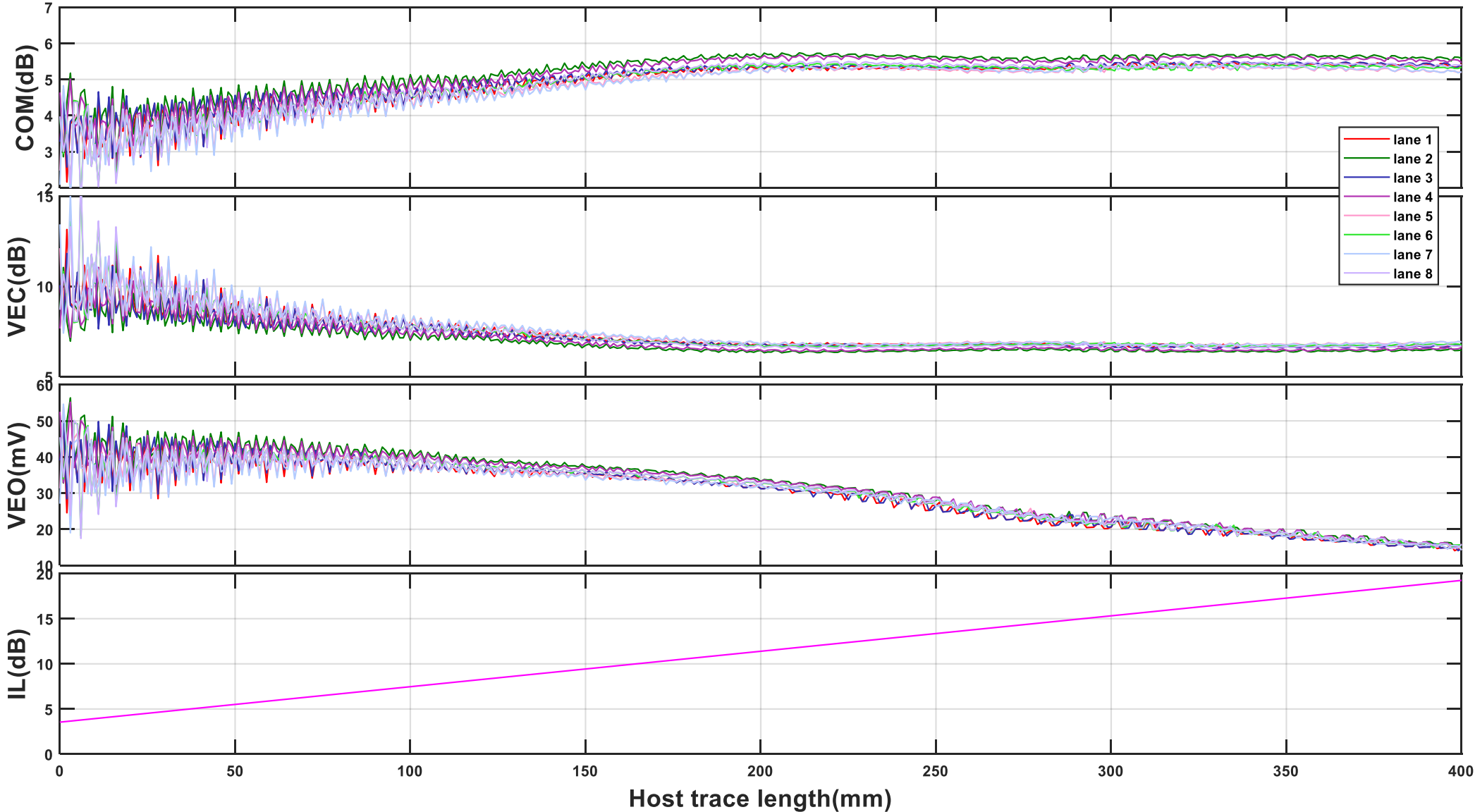
End to end COM examples with approximate worst case module length and TX FIR optimized for 4 tap DFE at TP1a (from Dudek_3ck_01_1119)



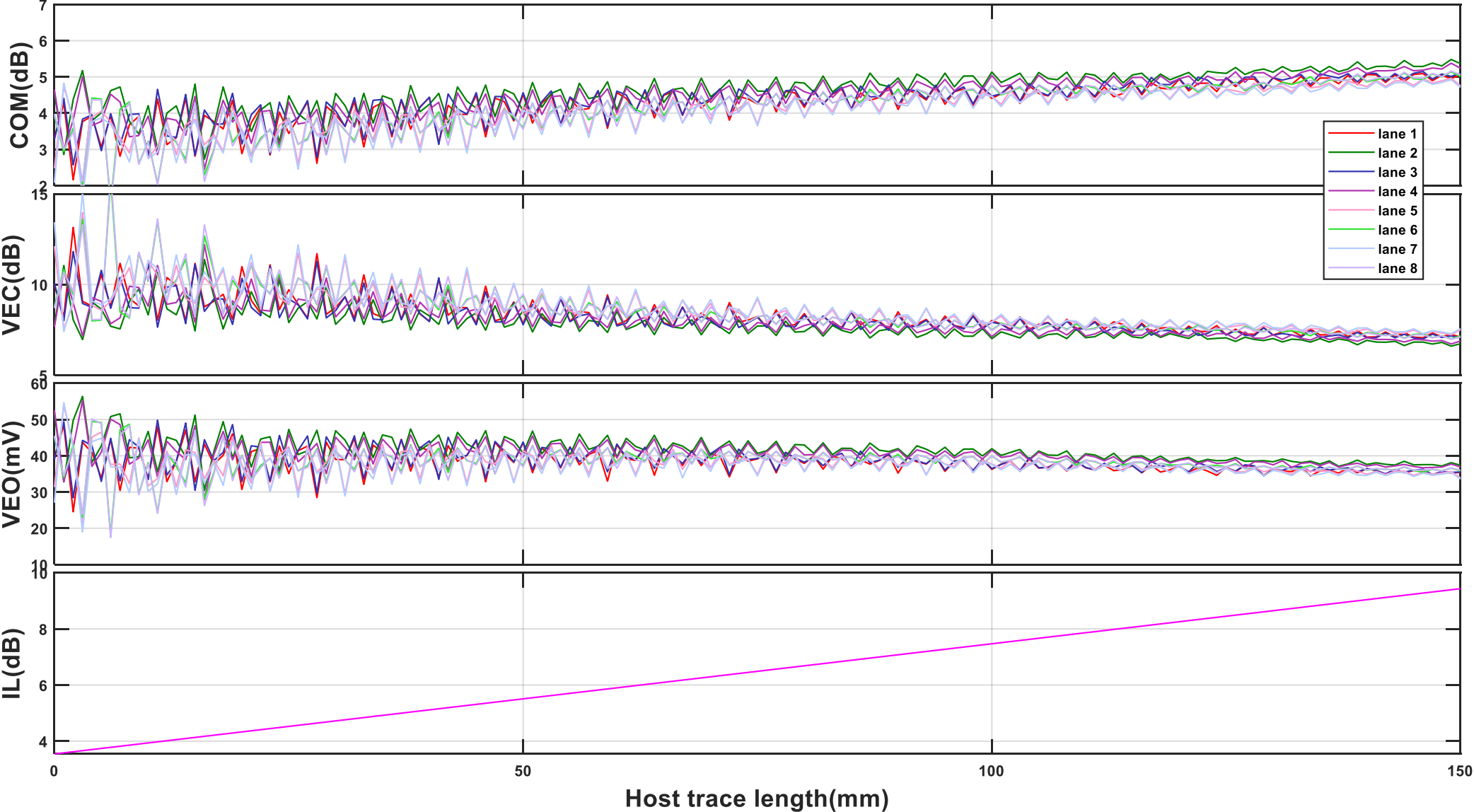
COM PCB and package loss information

- PCB loss at 26.56GHz: $\sim 0.04\text{dB/mm}$, $\sim 1\text{dB/in.}$ (58mm is equivalent to the 2.3dB MCB loss being proposed in the cable small group).
- Package loss at 26.56GHz: 0.1dB/mm
- Insertion loss plotted in this presentation includes host, HCB and connector, but not package.

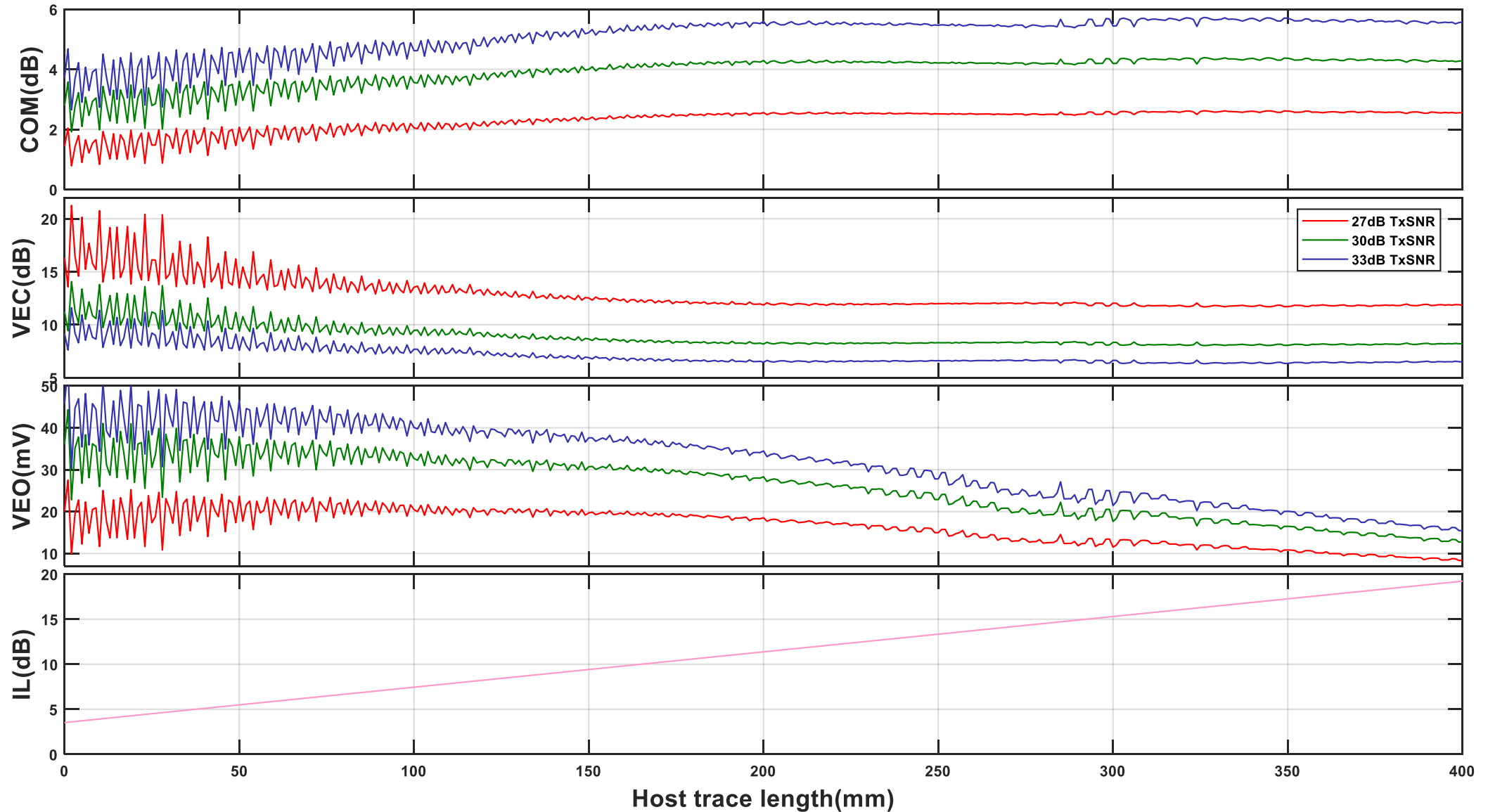
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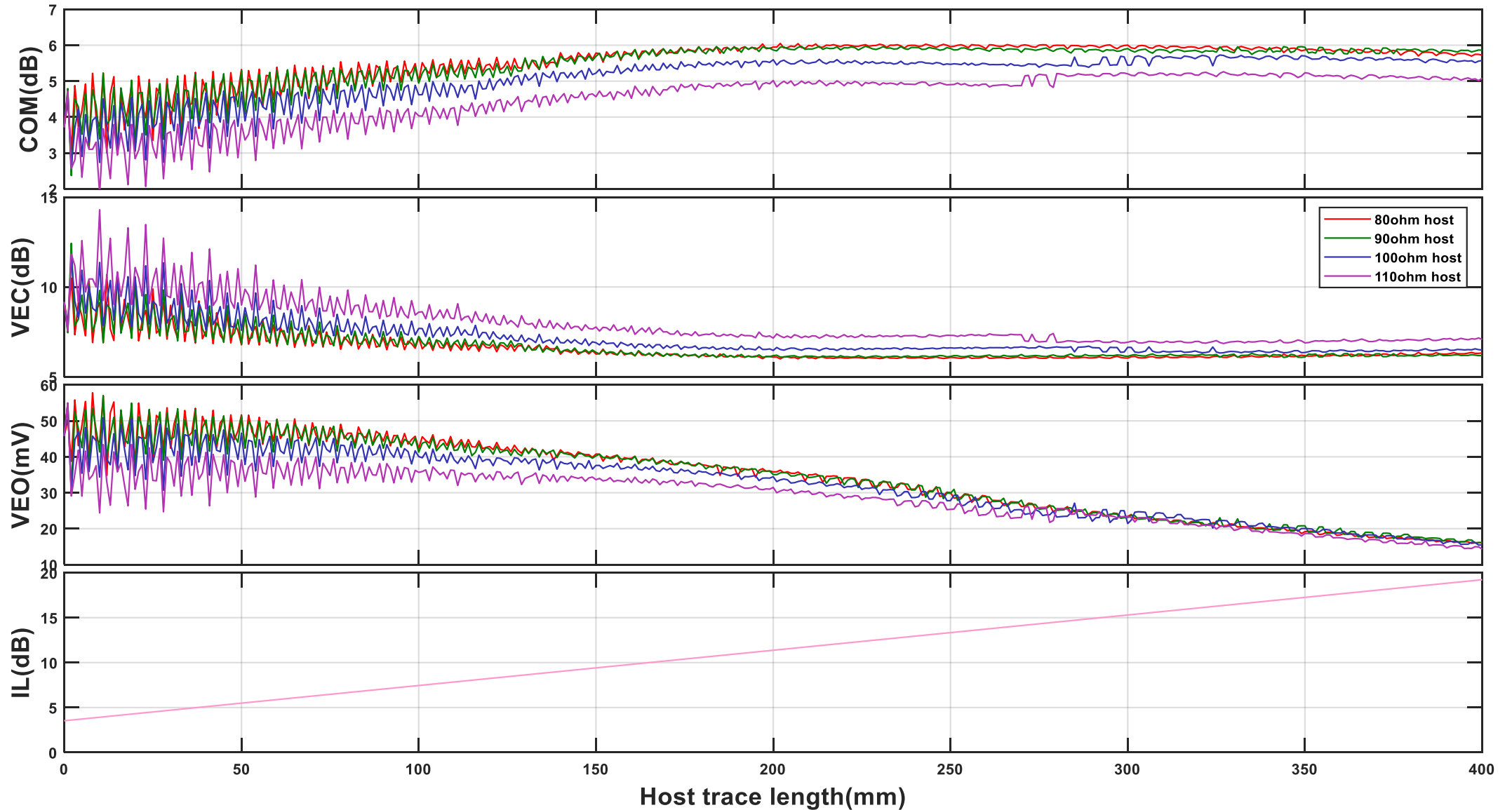
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TP1a results by TxSNR



TP1a results by host impedance



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