

IEEE P802.3cg 10BASE-T1S Detection of Collisions on a Mixing Segment

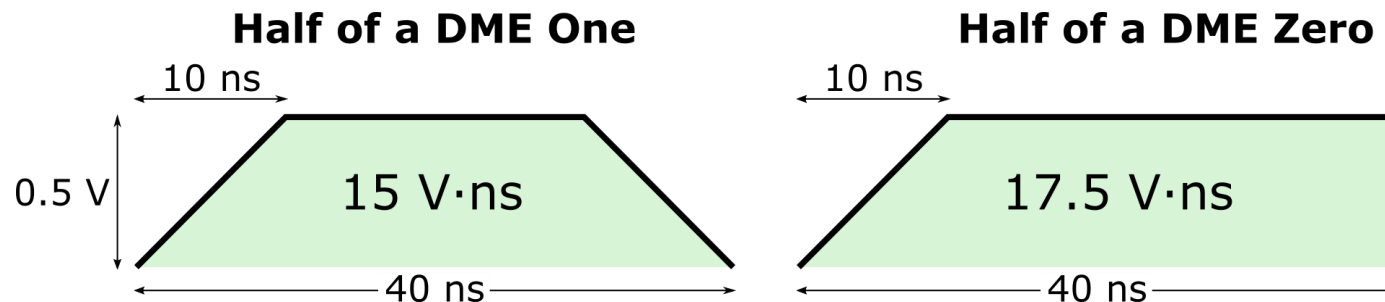
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Purpose

- Inspired by Comment i-417
- Questions to be addressed:
 - When operating a T1S mixing segment, can collisions be detected based on the signal present at the MDI?
 - See also [beruto_3cg_collision_detection](#)
 - Is echo cancellation required in order to detect collisions on a mixing segment?

DME Signal Integration

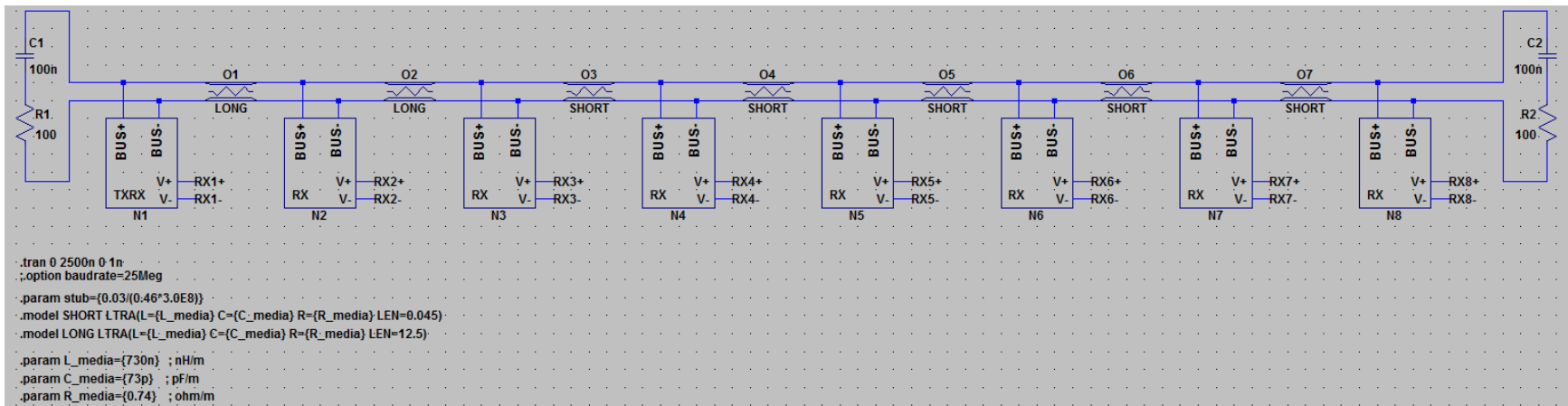
- PHY may incorporate an integrator for signal detection
 - Analog or digital integrator
- Expect magnitude between 15 – 17.5 V·ns for a 40 ns half clock period with a perfect DME signal



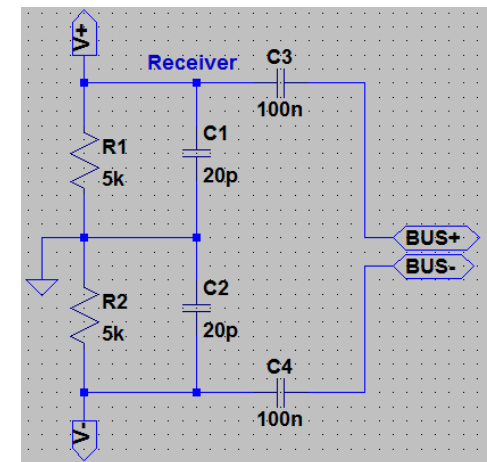
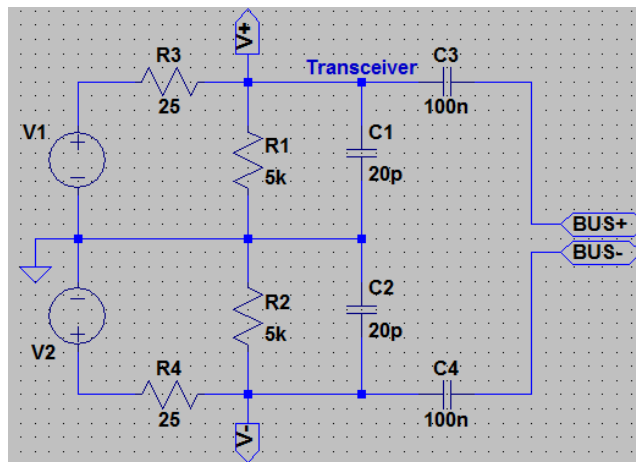
- Postulate most integrated half clock periods have a magnitude of 12.5 – 22.5 V·ns

Methodology, Part 1: Spice Circuit

- Use LTSpice XVII to simulate an 8-node system, with 25 meter total cable length
- One transmitter always located at N1, on left side of bus



- Nodes modeled as:
 - 10 k Ω resistor
 - 10 pF capacitor
- Transmitter has 50 Ω output impedance
- No echo cancellation!

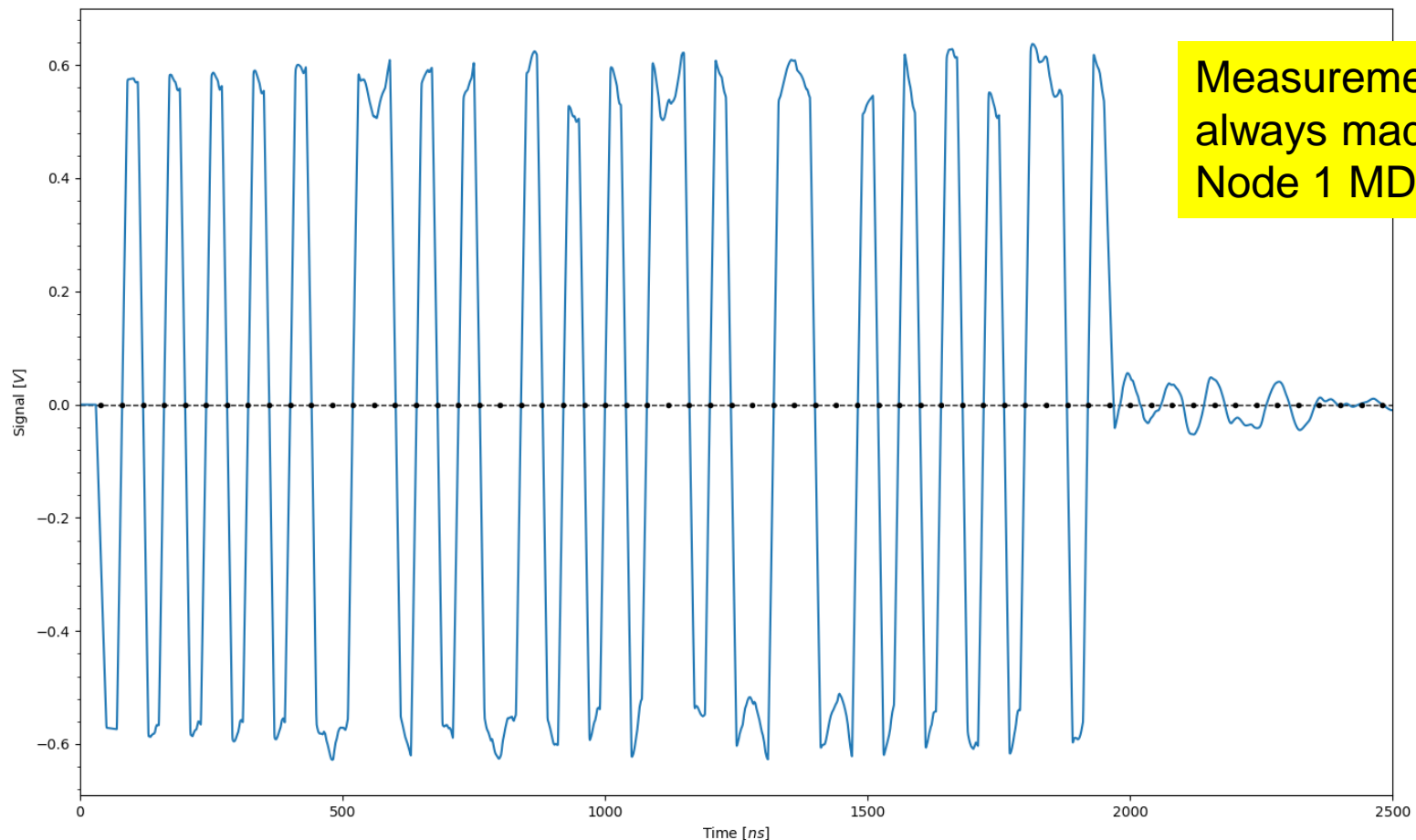


Methodology, Part 2: Configurations

- Three node configurations are used:
 - **Equal:** Node spacing fixed to 3.57 m
 - **Approximately Equal:** Node spacing obtained from 1-D Dirichlet distribution ($\alpha=2$)
 - **Clumped:** TX at N1 on left side of bus, all other nodes at other end of 25 meter cable with fixed spacing (randomly chosen) between 5-100 cm
- Two configurations for second TX:
 - **No second TX** (no collision; control case)
 - **Second TX** placed in randomized location (N2 – N8)
 - Both transmitters have identical start time (perfectly in-phase)
- Two configurations for second TX bit pattern:
 - **Identical bit pattern** to first TX (except 1 bit may flipped)
 - **Random bit pattern** (no intended correlation to first TX)

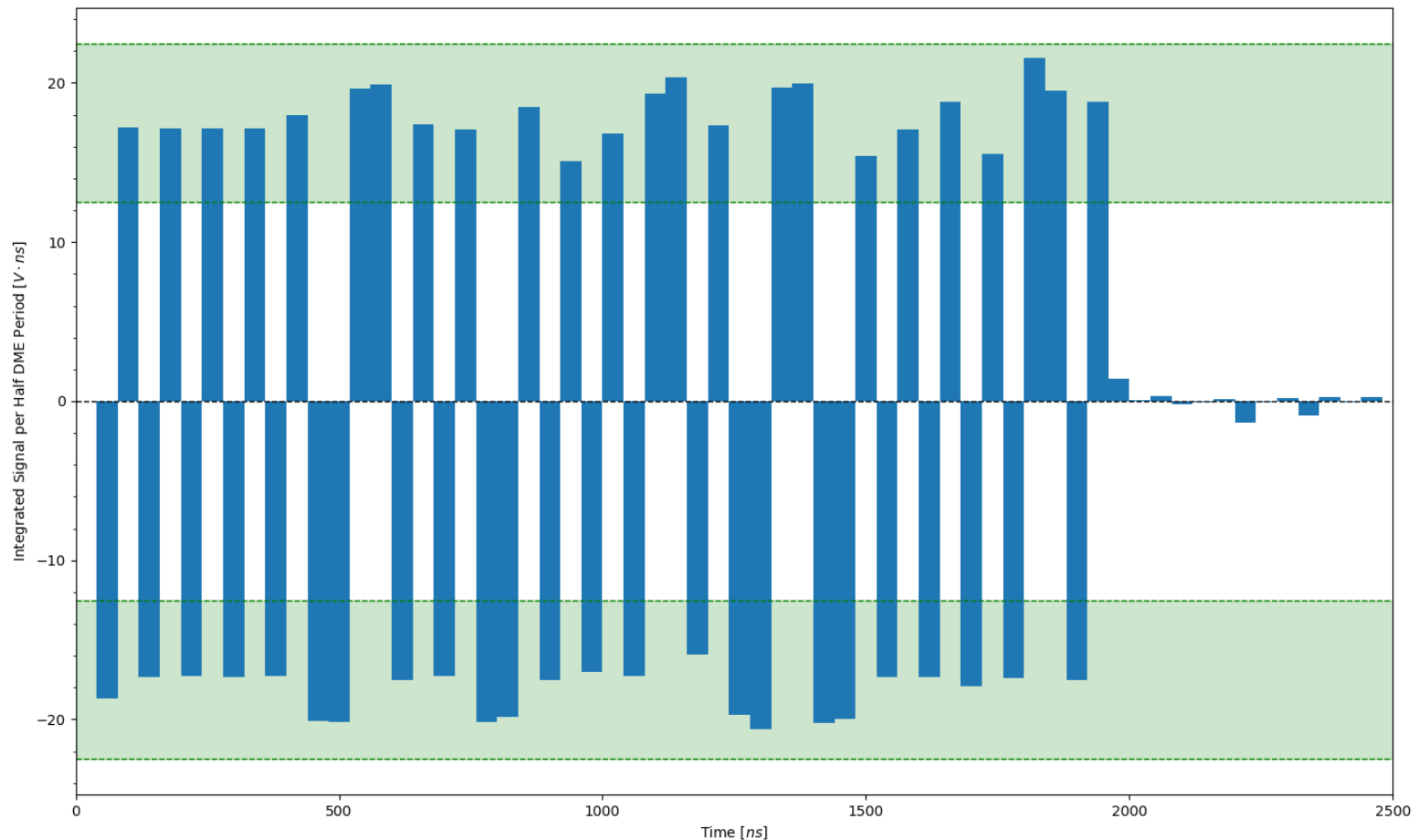
Methodology, Part 3: Raw DME Signal

- Randomly generated 24-bit signal (starts at 40 ns, 1920 ns long)
- TX at low-impedance for entire simulation window
- Half clock cycle division locations shown with black dots on x-axis



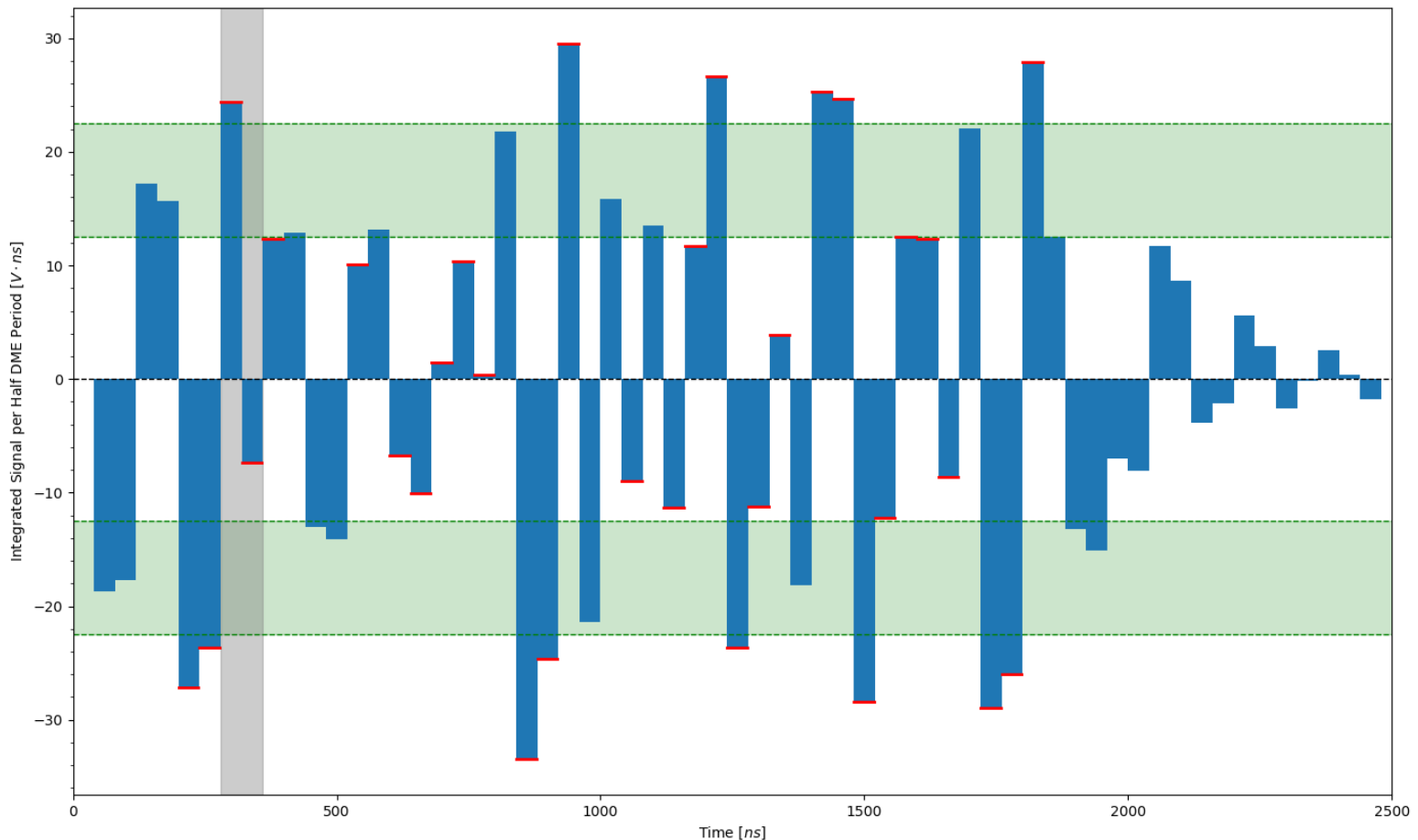
Example 1: One TX, No Collision

- 8 nodes, equal spacing, bit pattern = 0xF9BA3D
- Signal integrated each 40 ns half clock period
- Signal is found to lie within 12.5 – 22.5 V·ns bands, indicating no collision



Example 2: Collision

- 8 nodes, approx. equal spacing, second TX at N6 position
- Signal = same as 1st TX, except bit 3 is flipped (shaded gray band)
- Red-capped bars indicate excursions outside of 12.5 – 22.5 V·ns bands



Test Results

Second TX (if present) uses same bit pattern*

- Total trials: 4981
- Trials with second TX: 4332
- Trials w/o second TX: 649
- Failed detections: 0
- False positives: 16
- Error rate: 0.32%

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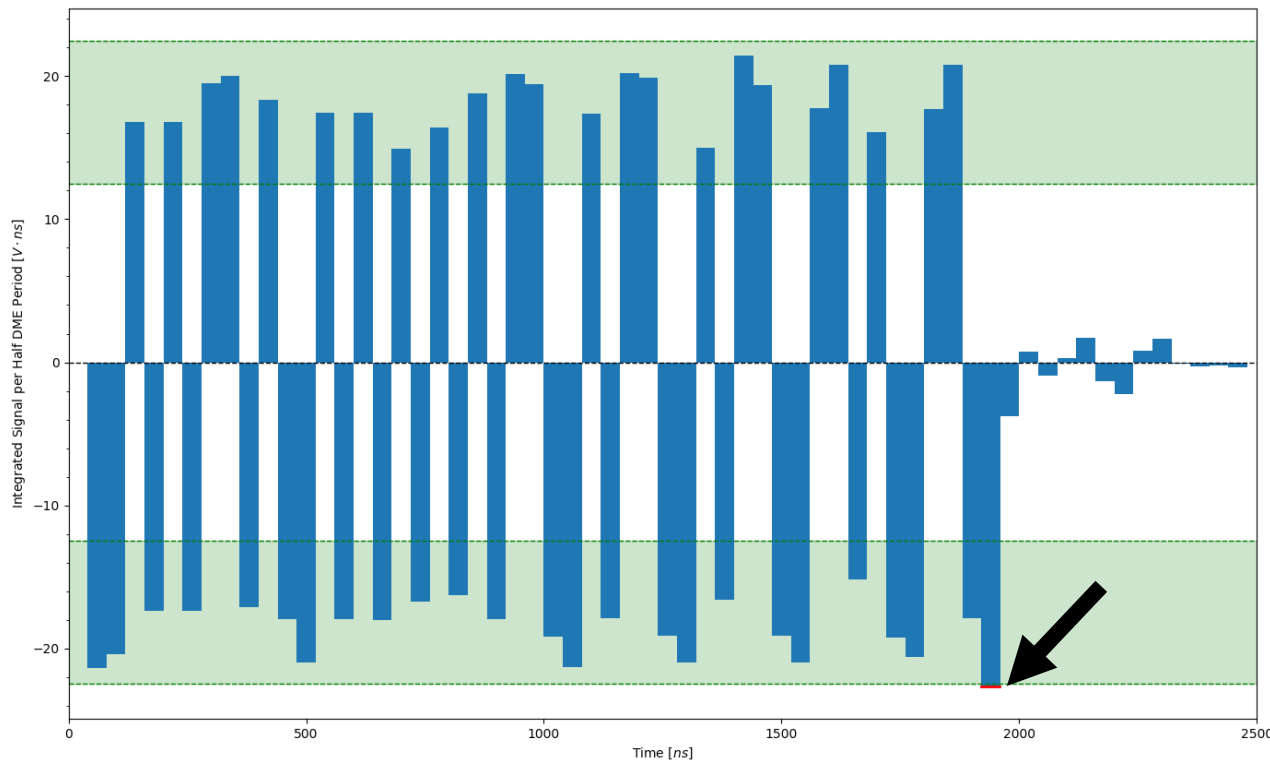
- Total trials: 5262
- Trials with second TX: 4587
- Trials w/o second TX: 675
- Failed detections: 0
- False positives: 19
- Error rate: 0.36%

Method achieves 100% detection of collisions!

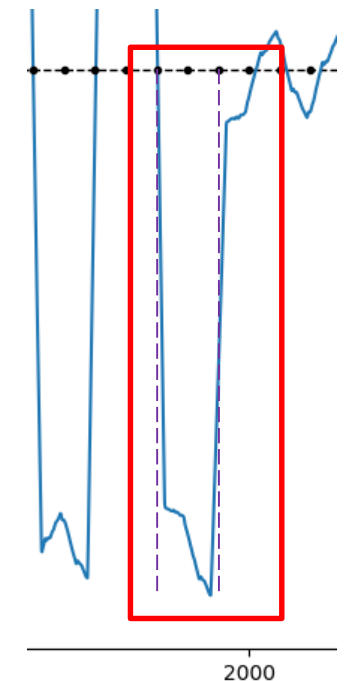
*Same bit pattern, with possibly 1 bit flipped. Location of flipped bit chosen randomly.

False Positives

- Only occurred for one bus topology: clumped
 - All (except one outlier) occurred on last bit, which was always a DME 0
 - Always just a little too high -- integrated a little too much
 - Due to transition to driving 0 V?



Raw Waveform



Required Time To Detect A Collision?

Table 147-6—10BASE-T1S delay constraints

Table 147-6 prescribes a response within 25.6 μ s – 256 bit times at MAC

Event	Minimum value	Maximum value	Unit of measure	Input timing reference	Output timing reference
COL input to CRS asserted	0	25.6	μ s	Start of corrupted transmitted signal at the MDI	Rising edge of CRS
COL input to CRS deasserted	0	3.2	μ s	End of transmission at the MDI	Falling edge of CRS

Table 4-2—MAC parameters

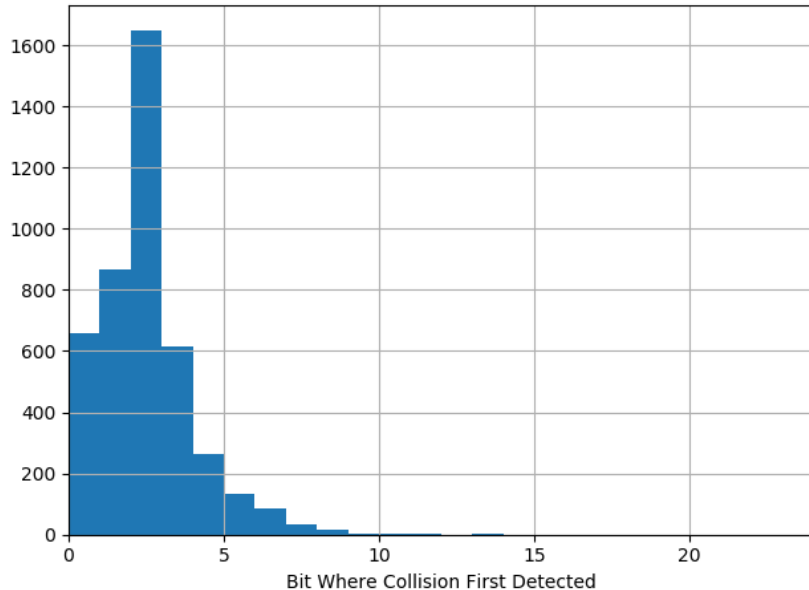
Probably we should respond within the jamSize (32 bits)

Parameters	MAC data rate			
	Up to and including 100 Mb/s	1 Gb/s	2.5 Gb/s, 5 Gb/s, 25 Gb/s, 40 Gb/s, 100 Gb/s, 200 Gb/s, and 400 Gb/s	10 Gb/s
jamSize	32 bits	32 bits	not applicable	not applicable

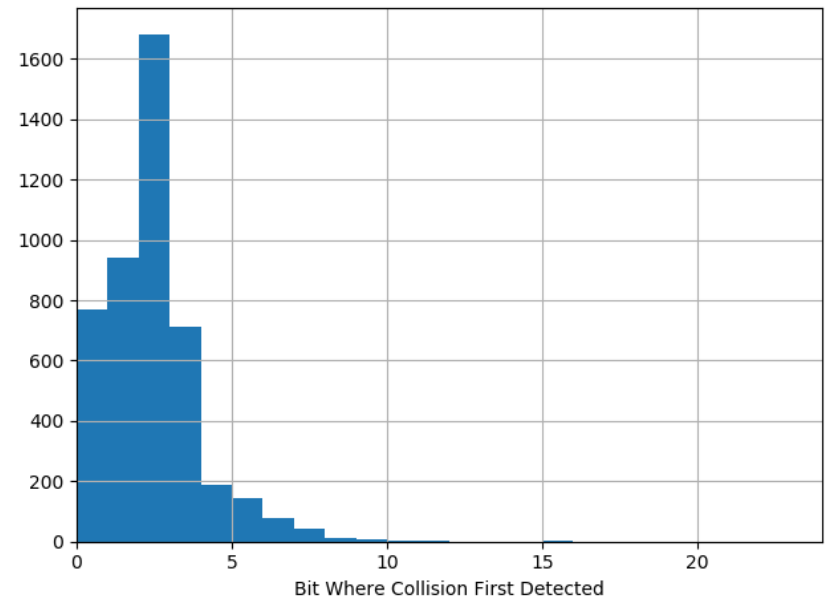
Timing Results

- Track the first bit with an integral outside the 12.5 – 22.5 V·ns bands
- Collision always detected within DME 16 bits (12.8 bit times at MAC)
- In most cases, detection within the first 5 DME bits

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uses same bit pattern***



**Second TX (if present)
uses random bit pattern**



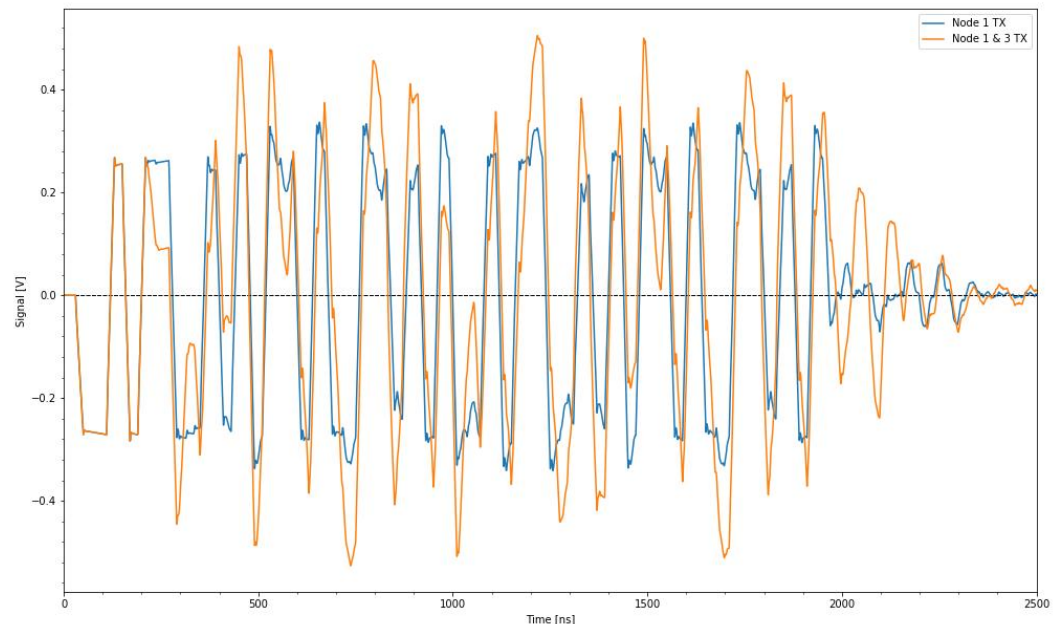
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Alternative Methods

- Couldn't the same thing be accomplished by using the waveform amplitude instead of the integrated signal?
 - Yes, probably.
 - Probably would need to sample the signal multiple times in one 40 ns period.
 - Integration can be done with a simple analog integrator.

This plot shows a comparison between the MDI signal at Node 1 with:

- Only Node 1 transmitting (blue)
- Node 1 and Node 3 transmitting (orange)



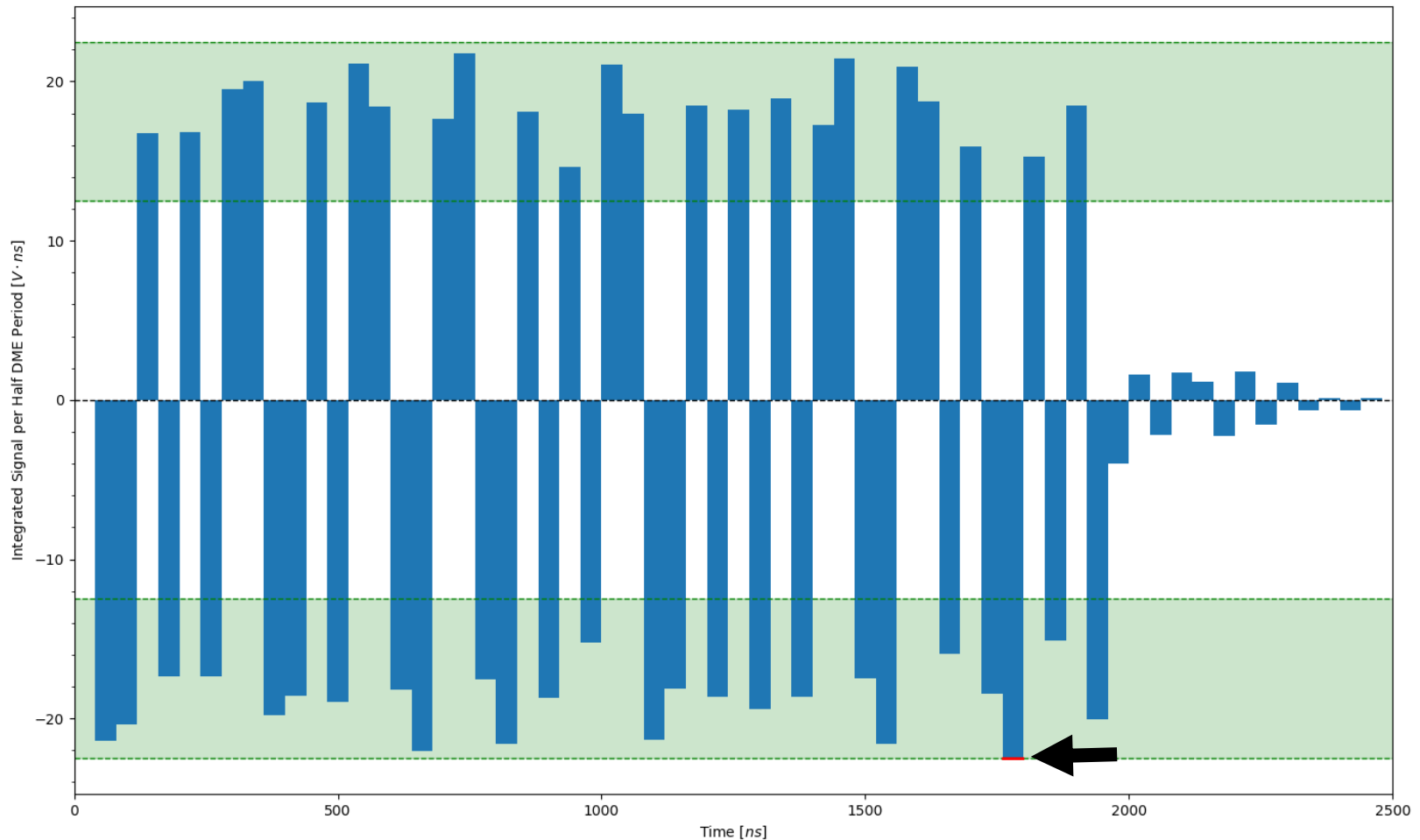
Conclusions

- We have demonstrated a viable collision detection mechanism for a mixing segment
 - Echo cancellation was not used
 - Integral bands naively selected *a priori*
 - No optimization performed
 - 100% collision detection
- Few false positives for clumped topology
 - May be due to specifics of simulation setup
 - Optimization likely to eliminate the problem
- Collisions detected promptly
 - Within 16 clock cycles/DME bits

Thank you!

Outlier False Positive

- Only 1 in 10000 simulation showed a false positive not on the last bit
- Clumped spacing, nodes spaced 5.2 cm apart



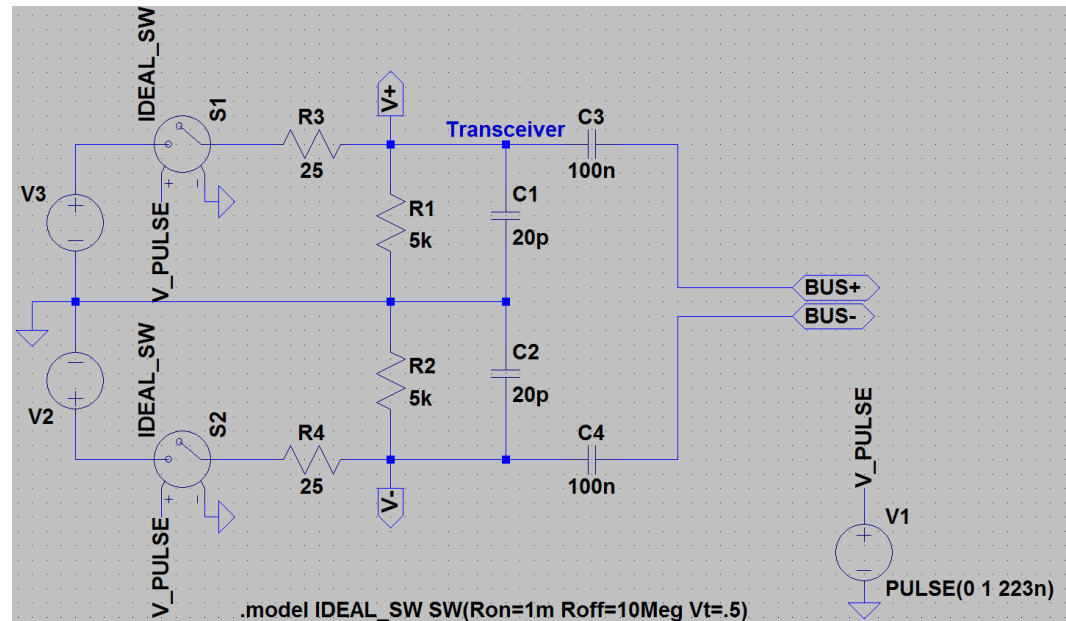
Appendix:

Non-Overlapping TX Collision

- Extended study to investigate what happens when the second transmitter starts later than the first TX

LTSpice model of second transmitter

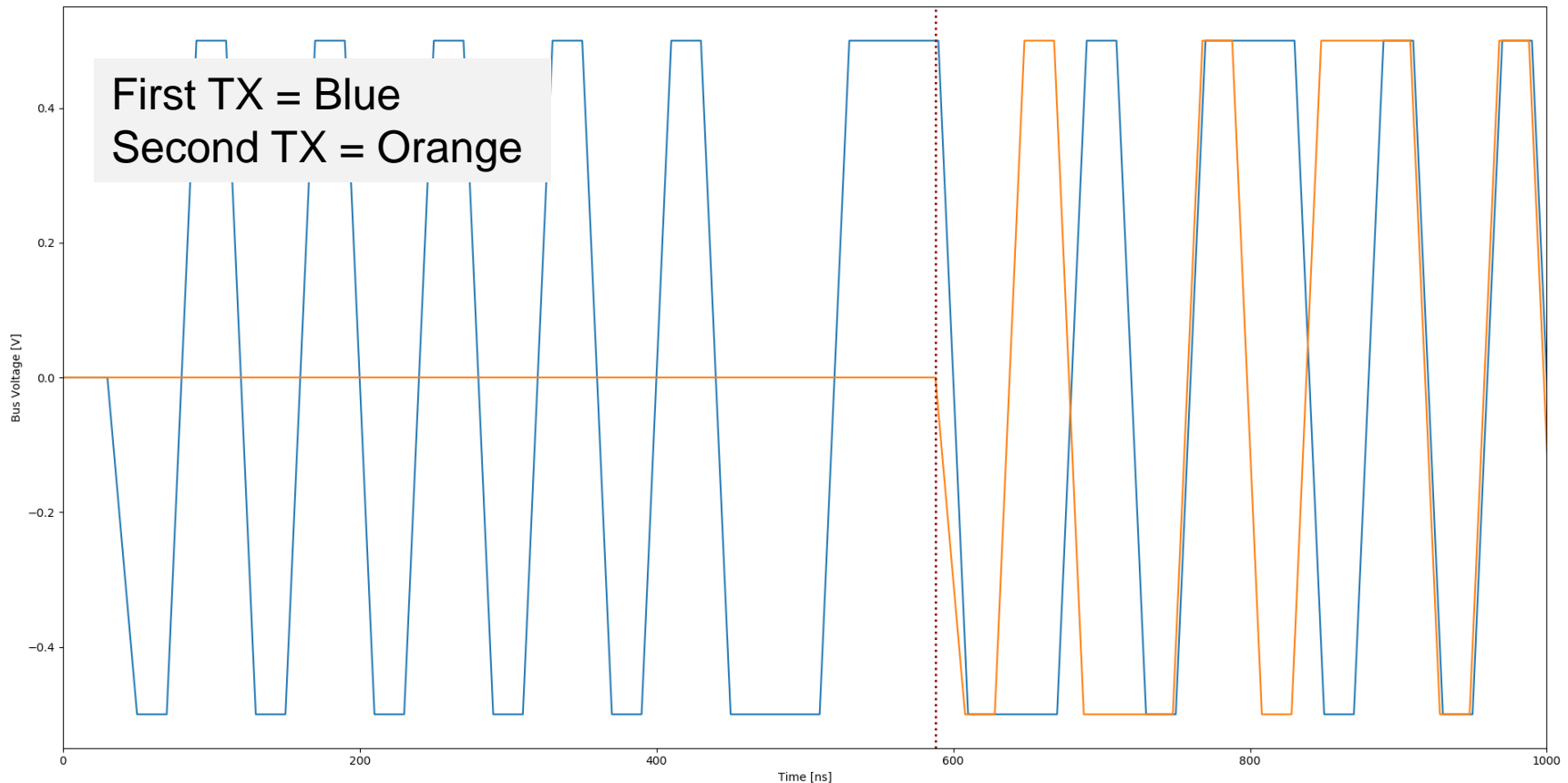
- Initially high impedance (10 k Ω)
- Ideal switches connect voltage sources, TX becomes low impedance
- Timing of V_PULSE randomized.



- Second TX waveform delayed by random amount
- Extended simulation to 48 bits to capture overlap

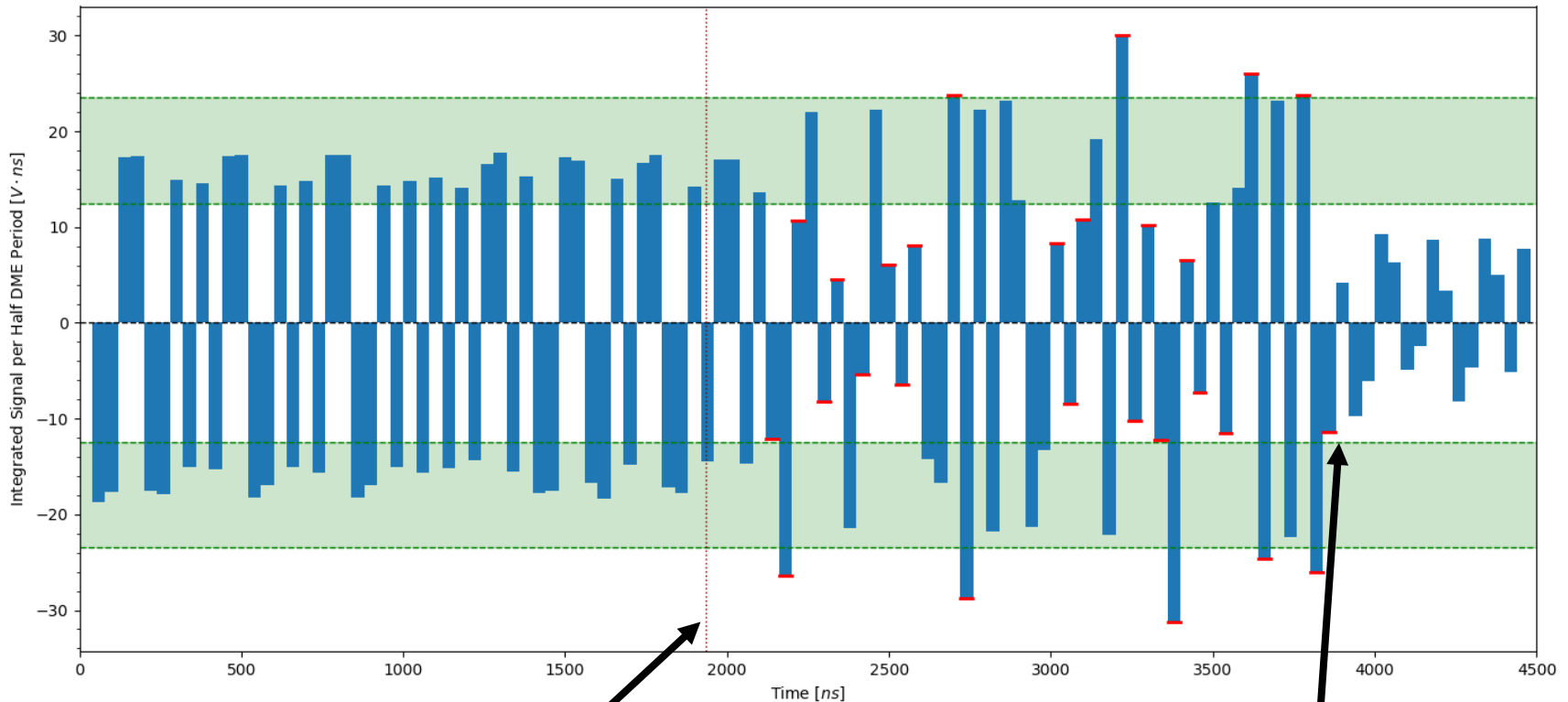
Example: Non-Overlapping Waveforms

- Second TX waveform is offset by a random amount from the first (here, 588 ns)
 - In this example, the waveforms happen to align fairly closely
- Second TX is allowed to start anywhere in the first 24 bits



Example: Non-Overlapping 2nd TX

Second TX bit pattern is random (uncorrelated) compared to first TX



Vertical dotted line indicates second TX start time

Program stops looking for out-of-range bits when 1st TX stops transmitting

Non-Overlapping 2nd TX Test Results

Integrated Signal Acceptance Magnitude: 12.5 – 23.0 V·ns

- Total trials: 5509
- With Second TX: 4810
- W/O Second TX: 699
- Failed detections: 0
- Detection, no 2nd TX: 185
- Detection before 2nd TX active: 306
- Error rate: 8.9%

Integrated Signal Acceptance Magnitude: 12.5 – 23.5 V·ns

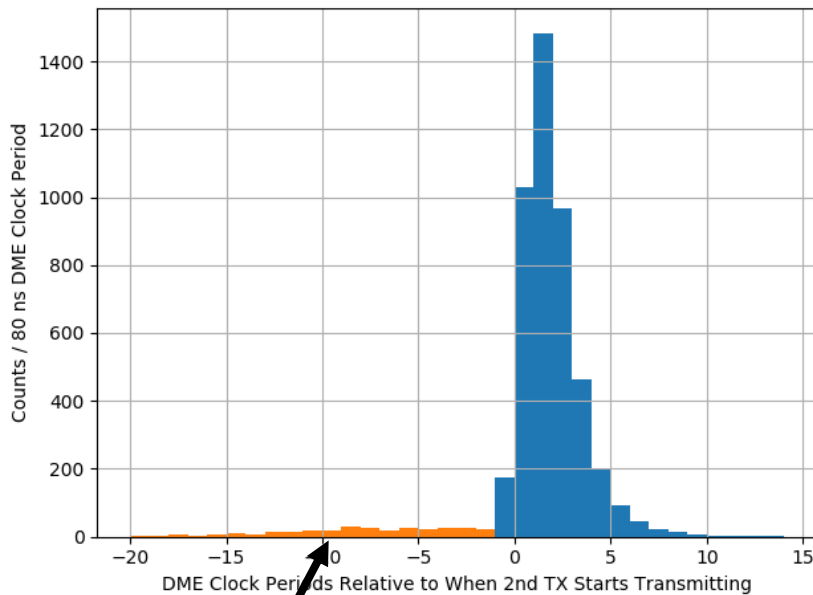
- Total trials: 1000
- With Second TX: 886
- W/O Second TX: 114
- Failed detections: 0
- Detection, no 2nd TX: 4
- Detection before 2nd TX active: 0
- Error rate - 0.4%

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- Adjusted integrated signal acceptance bands to decrease error rate
 - False positives again due to “clumped” configuration (difficult for signal integrity)

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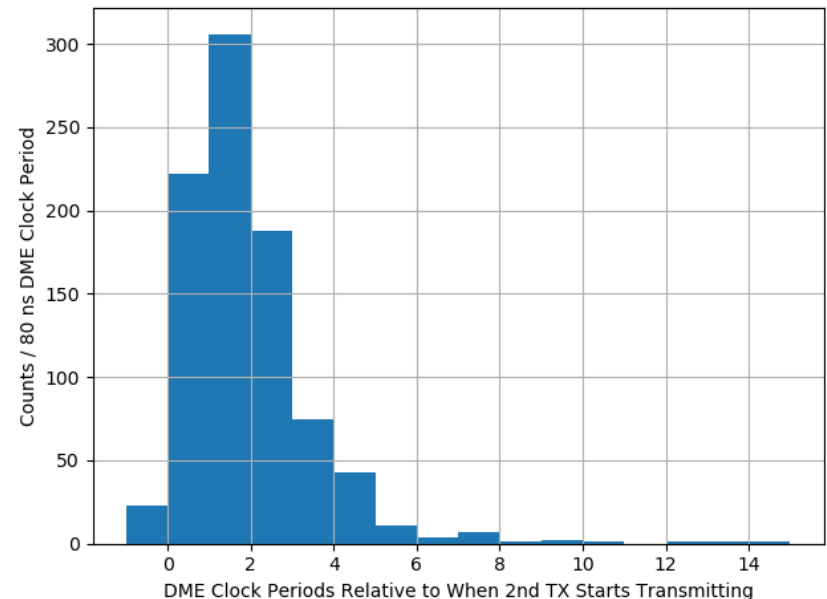
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12.5 – 23.0 V·ns**



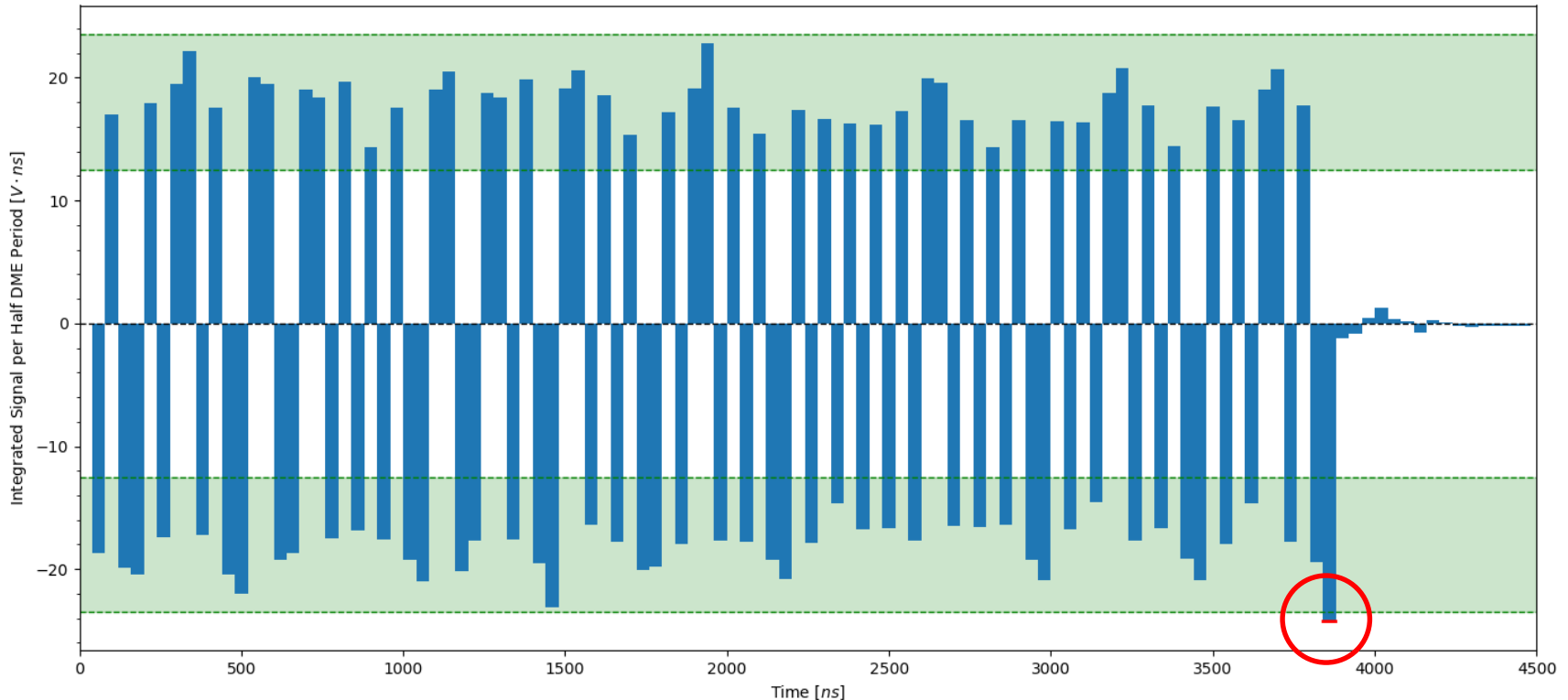
Orange results are detections before 2nd TX started transmitting (false positives)

**Integrated Signal
Acceptance Magnitude:
12.5 – 23.5 V·ns**



Data falling in -1 bit bin are okay; indicates 2nd TX started in the middle of the bit, and the bin number was rounded down

Non-Overlapping 2nd TX False Positives



- False positives are always in “clumped” case
- For increased 12.5 – 23.5 V·ns band, all four false positives looked identical: too much signal in last half bit of DME zero
- Partially due to mistake in program that generates DME waveform
 - Incorrect rise/fall times when transitioning to high-Z