

# The Importance of Reducing the Loop Area in Audio Power Amplifier Wiring to Achieve Low Noise

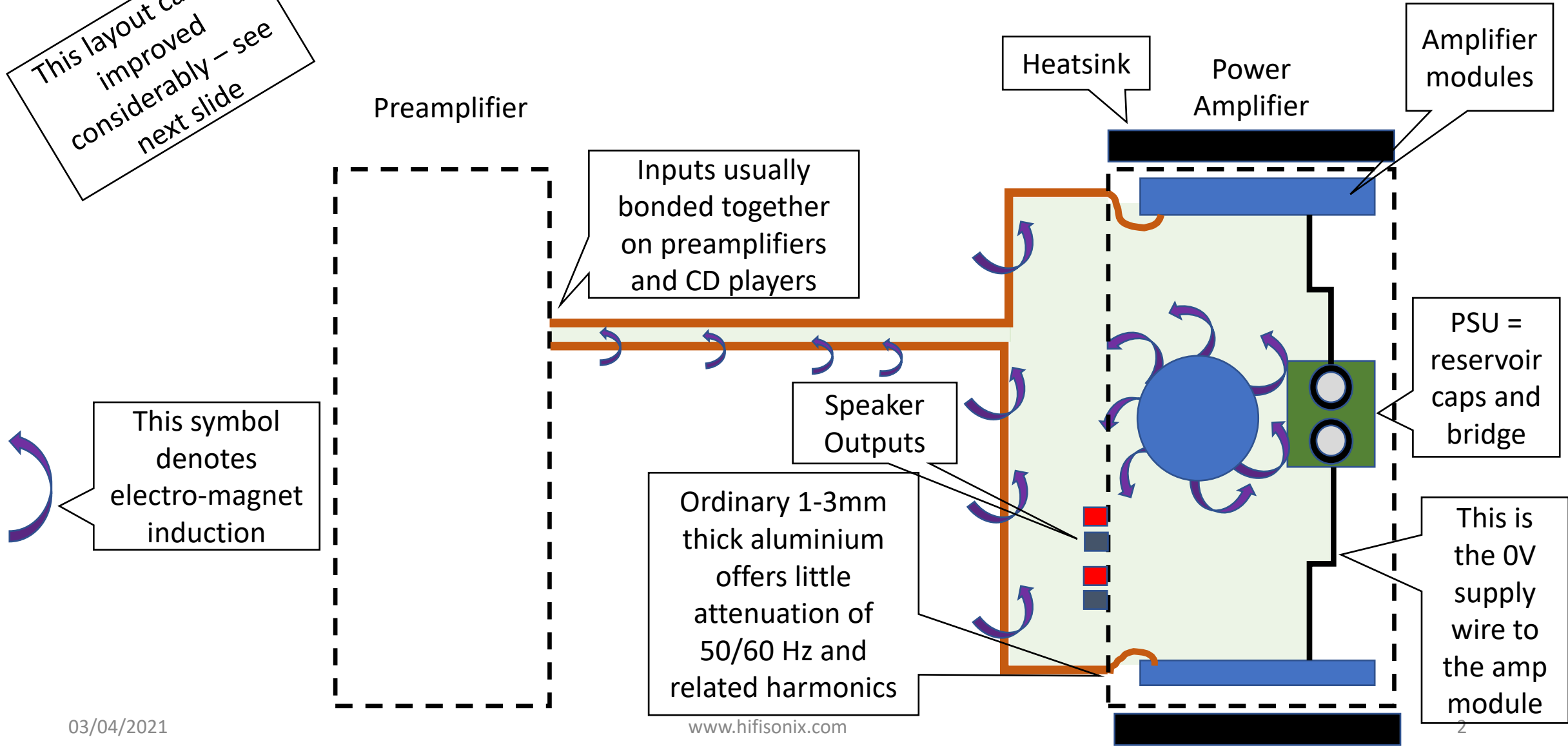
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# The Green Shaded Area Shows the Total Loop Area Available to Pick Up Noise (50/60 Hz and related harmonics)

This layout can be improved considerably – see next slide



# This layout is much Quieter than the One on the Previous Slide



Keep input connectors right next to each other and insulated from the chassis. Bond the signal returns together. Use a **single** RFI 2-5nF cap to the chassis right at the inputs

Run the 2<sup>nd</sup> channel I/P wiring like this along the top edge

Preamplifier

Power Amplifier

Inputs usually bonded together on preamplifiers and CD players

Little cross channel LF loop induction because L and R cables are bonded together

Speaker Outputs

Experiment with power cables – you may be able to reduce the loop area further