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DESIGN WITH POWER SEMICONDUCTORS - PART I - BASICS

9:00am – 6:00pm

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ABOUT THE INSTRUCTORS

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1.1 BASICS ABOUT POWER SEMICONDUCTORS IN SWITCHING MODE

Essentials about silicon for power applications

Bipolar components: Diode - Bipolar transistor - Thyristor - GTO - IGCT - Fast rectifier

MOS Components: MOSFET - IGBT - MCT

Max ratings definitions - Junction temperature - Influence of the rated voltage - Safe operating area - Drive

Power Integration. What is specific from power - Monolithic and hybrid technologies - System or improved component - Smartpower-limits - What can be integrated, what cannot be integrated today - Examples - Power modules - IMPs - Advantages and disadvantages of power integration

1.2 DATA SHEETS

Max ratings - Characteristics - Typical and maximal values

1.3 LOSSES

Conduction losses - Switching losses

Examples of losses calculation; (Diodes - MOSFET - IGBT - GTO) Typical and maximum values

1.4 THERMAL RESISTANCE AND IMPEDANCE

Component - Heatsink

1.5 EXAMPLES OF THERMAL CALCULATIONS

Case without and with heatsink - MOSFET for SMPS - IGBT for motor drives

1.6 PACKAGING AND RELIABILITY

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

This first part of the course is designed for all engineers (Designers - Quality responsables - Component engineers - System engineers and technical managers) who want to refresh their knowledges in the state-of-the-art about power silicon components.