



Accelerating WBG Power Electronics Commercialization FREEDM Annual Meeting April 11, 2019

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GaN/SiC Power Devices Allow for More Efficient and Novel Power Electronics





Large Bandgap and Critical Electric Field allow for high voltage devices with thinner layers: lower resistance and associated conduction losses

Thinner layer and low specific on-resistance allow for smaller form factor that reduces capacitance: higher frequency operation, reduced size passives

Large SiC Bandgap and Critical Electric Field Enable Low Conduction Losses and High Frequency





Aly Mashaly et al., https://www.rohm.de/electronics-basics/sic/what-are-sic-semiconductors

Large SiC Bandgap and Thermal Conductivity Enable Robust High Temperature Operation with Reduced Cooling



SiC/GaN devices enable more efficient, lighter, smaller form factor power electronics operating at high frequencies, and at elevated temperatures with reduced cooling.

Large Bandgap results in relatively low intrinsic carrier concentration: low leakage and robust high temperature operation

Large Thermal Conductivity: high power operation with reduced cooling requirements



SiC/GaN Devices Are Uniquely Positioned to Enable Next Generation Power Electronics Growth





Graphs: Isic C. Kizilyalli *et al.*, ARPA-e Report 2018 https://arpa-e.energy.gov/sites/default/files/documents/files/ARPA-E_Power_Electronics_Paper-April2018.pdf

Electronics is the Foundation of High-Value Manufactured Products and Power Electronics is a Key Driver





Aerospace Sector

Global Market: US\$700B U.S. Exports: at US\$120B is the largest US export market <u>Power Electronics Drivers</u>: Sensors/Radar, Actuation, Propulsion



Automotive/Transportation Sector

2nd largest U.S. export market <u>Power Electronics Drivers</u>: Vehicle Electrification & Automation



Grid Infrastructure Sector

<u>Power Electronics Drivers</u>: Reliability, Sustainability, Flexible Resources



Electric Motor Drives <u>Power Electronics Drivers</u>: Variable Speed Drives, Efficiency, Weight & Volume reduction

Information Technology Hardware Sector <u>Power Electronics Drivers</u>: Efficiency & Bandwidth Growth

"More Electric Aerospace" is Primarily an Evolutionary Application of Power Electronics and Energy Storage



A more electric aircraft is a more energy efficient aircraft



Power electronics innovations drive aerospace – aircraft, satellites, drones, rovers

- *Replace hydraulic systems with electrical*: lower fluid leak hazard, lower operation/maintenance cost, lower system complexity, higher reliability
- Electrical generation/distribution systems replace electromechanical relays, pneumatics, and hydraulics: reduce aircraft wiring and overall weight for fuel savings
- Increased power electronics density: reduces aircraft weight for fuel savings

Better fuel efficiency, lower maintenance/operation costs, higher reliability, less noise, lower NOx emissions

Power Electronics is Increasingly Prevalent in Hybrid/Electric Vehicles





Source: SDRIVE, "Electrical and electronics technical team roadmap"

In 2014 >25% of all energy usage in the U.S. was consumed in transportation, 98% of that came from fossil fuels

Electric/Hybrid Vehicle Adoption of SiC Power Electronics is Happening Now



• Tesla Model 3 main inverter, features 24 SiC MOSFET modules from ST Microelectronics





https://www.pntpower.com/tesla-mo del-3-powered-by-st-microelectroni cs-sic-mosfets/

- 2014, Toyota, in collaboration with Denso, introduced a prototype SiC power control unit for its Prius HEV, which demonstrated a 5% improvement in the fuel economy over the standard JC08 Japanese drive cycle http://newsroom.toyota.co.jp/en/detail/2656842
- Review of the WBG devices and their adoption in EVs and HEVs:
 D. Han, S. Li, W. Lee and B. Sarlioglu, "Adoption of wide bandgap technology in hybrid/electric vehicles-opportunities and challenges," in *Proc. IEEE Transportation Electrific. Conf. Expo (ITEC)*, Chicago, IL, 2017, pp. 561-566

Advances in Power Electronics and Control Systems Drive Efficient, Flexible, and Reliable Grid



- Electric Grid Applications
- HVDC Interface
- FACTS

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- Microgrids
- Solar Interface
- Wind Interface (500 GW installed)
- Energy Storage Interface









Currently, ~40% of generated electric power passes through Power Electronics between generation and use Variable Speed Drives Enable Efficient Adaptation to Motor Speed/Torque and Reduce Energy Consumption





Traditional Motor Drives: 20-40% of energy is wasted with throttles and other mechanical devices



SiC Based Variable Speed Drives have Volume, Weight, and Cost Advantages



Si based VSD save energy but have limited adoption due to big footprint, weight, and cost



SiC based VSD use novel architectures to reduce volume, weight and cost, accelerating adoption



- Big 60 Hz Transformer replaced by small high frequency Transformer
- VSD system is reduced in size & weight and cheaper due to WBG devices
- Gear Box eliminated
- Motor size reduced by 5x cheaper, less magnets

The Range International Information Group Data Center in Langfang China is 6.3 Million Square Feet in Area



Waste Heat Management is Challenging!

Data Center power consumption is projected to reach 10% of the total electrical power consumption by 2020



Efficient Data Center Architectures are Enabled by SiC/GaN Power Electronics Innovations





SiC/GaN Power Electronics simplify data center waste heat management

Figures courtesy of Dr. Leon M. Tolbert



- The U.S Department of Energy launched the PowerAmerica Manufacturing Institute to Accelerate Adoption of Wide Band Gap power electronics.
- PowerAmerica started operations in 2015 with \$140M funds over 5 years, and is managed by North Carolina State University in Raleigh, NC USA.
- PowerAmerica addresses gaps in WBG power technology to enable <u>US</u> manufacturing job creation and <u>energy savings</u>.





PowerAmerica is Member Driven and Active in **All Areas** of the Power GaN-SiC Supply Chain





GaN Device Projected Revenue by 2022: \$450M/Yr



GaN power device market size split by application (\$M)

(Source: Power GaN 2017: Epitaxy, Devices, Applications, and Technology Trends 2017 report, Yole Développement, October 2017)



600-V Lateral GaN Power Transistors Are More Expensive than Similarly Rated Si Devices





Price parity can be achieved at the <u>system level</u> due to reduced size and weight of magnetics, and reduced system cooling requirements. Reduced system losses provide savings throughout life of the system.

SiC Device Revenue by 2023: \$1.5B/Yr





SiC Wafer Cost Lowers with Volume Production and Technological Improvements



Credit: IHS Technology (http://technology.ihs.com): The World Market for Silicon Carbide & Gallium Nitride Power Semiconductors - 2013 Edition



Manufacturing volume lowers wafer costs. Larger area wafer lowers device cost.

Manufacturing Volume, Larger Wafer Area, and Technological Innovations Drive SiC Device Cost Reductions





1200-V SiC MOSFETs Are More Expensive Than Similarly Rated Si Devices



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www.digikey.com, Oct. 2017

SiC MOSFETs Can Reduce System Cost (and Size) Despite Their Higher Than Si Price









Courtesy: Dr. Levett, Infineon

At 5kW Power

SiC Wafer Demand Explodes in Anticipation of High Volume Adoption



• Cree, Inc. Announces Long-Term Silicon Carbide Wafer Supply Agreement with Infineon 2/26/2018

The agreement governs Cree's supply of advanced **150 mm SiC wafers** to Infineon, valued at well over **\$100 million**. https://www.wolfspeed.com/news/cree-inc-announces-long-term-silicon-carbide-wafer-supply-agreement-with-infineon

- Cree, Inc. (Nasdaq: CREE) announces that it signed a strategic long-term agreement to produce and supply its Wolfspeed(R) silicon carbide wafers to one of the world's leading power device companies. The agreement, valued at more than \$85 million, governs Cree's supply of advanced 150 mm silicon carbide bare and epitaxial wafers, 10/16/18
 https://www.cree.com/news-events/news/article/cree-announces-long-term-silicon-carbide-wafer-supply-agreement-with-leading-global-semiconductor-company
- Cree and STMicroelectronics Announce Multi-Year Silicon Carbide Wafer Supply Agreement, 1/7/2019

The agreement governs the supply of \$250 million dollars of Cree's advanced 150mm silicon carbide bare and epitaxial wafers to STMicroelectronics during this period of extraordinary growth and demand for silicon carbide power devices.

https://www.wolfspeed.com/news/cree-announces-quarter-billion-dollar-wafer-supply-agreement-with-stmicroelectronics



PowerAmerica is a Catalyst in the Manufacturing of Low Cost SiC and GaN Power Electronics





DOE/PowerAmerica Strategic Funding Allocation Accelerate **Commercialization of WBG Power Electronics**

Management and Operations

1.1 Operations and Finance 1.2 Technology Roadmap 1.3 Sustainability **1.4** Device/Module Bank 1.6 Project Portfolio Management **1.7** Membership, Industry Relations and Communications

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PowerAmerica Foundry Projects Enable Low-Cost Large Volume SiC Device Manufacturing in the U.S.



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PowerAmerica Supports U.S. SiC Foundry Infrastructure





(source: Successful Semiconductor Fabless conference, Yole Développement, Mar. 2013)

X-FAB 150-mm SiC <u>Open</u> Foundry Leverages Existing Si Economy of Scale to Reduce SiC Manufacturing Cost



X-FAB/PowerAmerica Manufacturing Vision

SiC Open Foundry at the Economy Scale of Silicon

- Wafer fabrication dominated by fixed O/H costs (Management, Quality, EHS, IT)
- Economies of scale is the greatest factor in reducing cost: Use the scale established in Si to enable low-cost SiC manufacturing

X-FAB 150-mm SiC open Manufacturing is fully integrated within a high volume Si foundry







X-FAB/PA SiC Users: ABB, GeneSiC, Microchip, Monolith, USCi, Global Power, Sonrisa, SUNY, and NCSU

TSMC's Low-Cost Lateral GaN Power Device Production is a Barrier to Establishing an Open Domestic GaN Foundry



2018F Top 15 Semiconductor Sales Leaders

(\$M, Including Foundries)

2018F Rank	2017 Rank	Company	Headquarters	2017 Total Semi Sales (\$M)	2018F Total Semi Sales (\$M)	2018F/2017 % Change
1	1	Samsung	South Korea	65,882	83,258	26%
2	2	Intel	U.S.	61,720	70,154	14%
3	4	SK Hynix	South Korea	26,722	37,731	41%
4	3	TSMC (1)	Taiwan	32,163	34,209	6%
5	5	Micron	U.S.	23,920	31,806	33%
6	6	Broadcom Ltd. (2)	U.S.	17,795	18,455	4%
7	7	Qualcomm (2)	U.S.	17,029	16,481	-3%
8	9	Toshiba/Toshiba Memory	Japan	13,333	15,407	16%
9	8	TI	U.S.	13,910	14,962	8%
10	10	Nvidia (2)	U.S.	9,402	12,896	37%
11	12	ST	Europe	8,313	9,639	16%
12	15	WD/SanDisk	U.S.	7,840	9,480	21%
13	11	NXP	Europe	9,256	9,394	1%
14	13	Infineon	Europe	8,126	9,246	14%
15	14	Sony	Japan	7,891	8,042	2%
_	-	Top-15 Total		323,302	381,160	18%

Major Pure-Play Foundry Revenue per Wafer* (\$M)

	2017			2018F		
Company	Sales (\$M)	Wafer Starts (K)	Revenue per Wafer	Sales (\$M)	Wafer Starts (K)	Revenue per Wafer
TSMC	\$32,163	23,510	\$1,368	\$34,765	25,150	\$1,382
GlobalFoundries	\$6,176	6,125	\$1,008	\$6,640	6,550	\$1,014
UMC	\$4,898	6,837	\$716	\$5,165	7,225	\$715
SMIC	\$3,101	4,310	\$719	\$3,275	4,880	\$671
Total/Avg.	\$46,338	40,782	\$1,136	\$49,845	43,805	\$1,138
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Source: Company reports, IC Insights

200mm equivalents

(1) Foundry (2) Fabless

Source: Company reports, IC Insights' Strategic Reviews database

- TSMC is unmatched by any other foundry, with manufacturing capacity of over 12 million 12-inch equivalent wafers annually as of 2018
- TSMC <u>2018 revenue of \$33.49 billion USD</u> accounts for an enormous 48.1% market share



Strategic **University** PowerAmerica Projects Provide Hands-on Training to the Next Generation of WBG Engineers



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PowerAmerica 2016-2019

- \$24M in University Projects
- 63 projects
- 300 students

19 University applied projects provide real world experience to the next generation of WBG Engineers: \$6.5M, 31.5 undergrad, 42.5 grad, and 4 Post-doc full-time (FTE) trainees

PowerAmerica Wide Band Gap Short Course Trains Existing Workforce

SCHEDULE

Day 1 8-8:30 a.m. Registration 8:30 a.m-5:30 p.m. Class and Laboratory

Day 2 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Class and Laboratory

Day 3 8 a.m.-12 p.m. Class and Laboratory

COURSE OUTLINE

Opening session: Executive Overview

Power GaN Transistor Design Fundamentals and Application

Where is the state-of-the-art today Gate drive requirements and considerations Layout techniques for high frequency switching Paralleling GaN transistors Dead-time requirements Thermal management High speed measurement techniques Design Examples

Practical Implementation of SiC MOSFE for Power Converter De

▶ Si IGBT's and SiC MOSFET's and differences over Gate driver de ▶ EMI effects control and packaging Thermal des Real world de example of an harger o WBG Module Packaging Introd **Circuit Design** Electrical designation

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esses, materials and design requirements

Advanced packaging technologies

Full design case study, design creation and hands-on lab experience

Common failure mechanisms and reliability testing

System level considerations of WBG power modules

Converters, Electric Vehicles and Motor **MV Fast Charger System Specificatio Design Requirements** Converter topology selection Device selection and characterization System modeling and simulations Control system specific Prototype development esting Schematics and PCB design and testing ware assemb Control igmrequirements System imization to Demo IV SiC fast EV cha WBG SiC

Application of WBG Power Electronics: Power

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- EV Powertrain system modeling and simulation BGEV traction inverter ver stage, gate driver, and controller
- G Circuit Design for high frequency, high perature operation and EMI suppression ssive Component sizing and selection System benefits of WBG insertion

HV SiC Power Device Characterization and Converter Applications

- High voltage SiC device characterization
- Gate Drive isolation, short circuit protection and switching performance
- Power converter design considerations
- High frequency magnetics
- Solid state transformers and MV motor drives

WBG Power Devices and Foundry Tour

- SiC device design and fabrication fundamentals
- WBG devices roadmap, cost model, and projections
- WBG devices characterization: tools and techniques
- High Voltage device testing lab tour
- NCSU foundry tour

Industry Driven Short Course Content



2.5 day duration



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2017-2018 PowerAmerica WBG Tutorial presentations at prestigious conferences:

- "SiC Processing An Exercise in Si Fabrication with a High Temperature Twist," Veliadis <u>225</u> <u>attendees</u>, *International Conference on SiC and Related Materials ICSCRM Sept. 2017*
- "SiC power device design and fabrication, and insertion in novel MV Power Converters", Veliadis and Bhattacharya, <u>25 attendees</u>, *IEEE Energy Conversion and Congress & EXPO (ECCE) Oct.* 2017
- "SiC power device design and fabrication: making the transition from Silicon," Veliadis, <u>160</u> <u>attendees</u> International Symposium on Power Semiconductor Devices and ICs (ISPSD), May 2018

410 Tutorial Attendees in 2017-2018

PowerAmerica Provides Value Beyond DOE Funding and Will Continue to Accelerate WBG Technology Manufacturing



- Networking
 - Summer/Winter member meetings
 - Summary presentation of all PA projects at meetings
 - Long networking breaks at meetings
- Access to Universities and Recruitment
 - Student presentations, internships
 - Job opportunities posted on website
 - Collaborative research projects
- Education and Workforce Development
 - WBG short course offering with industry driven content
 - Tutorials presented at major WBG conferences
- Timely Access to PowerAmerica Device Bank Engineering samples
- WBG Ecosystem Benefits such as roadmaps, industry perspectives, technical consulting, member initiated projects, and promotion of SiC and GaN power technology



PowerAmerica accelerates WBG commercialization

WBG device fabrication in large-volume Si foundries exploits economies of scale and is key in lowering cost. Minimizing capital expenditures by exploiting the mature Si-processing capability lowers fabrication costs. A workforce well trained in WBG power electronics is key in creating the large device demand that will spur volume manufacturing with its cost-lowering benefits. PowerAmerica funds building-block projects in multiple areas of the WBG supply chain that synergistically culminate in large-scale WBG power electronics adoption.





0.19 cm² Area SiC JFET Blocks 1700 V and Outputs 54 A at a Voltage Drop of 2 V









<u>Third Party Testing/Reliability Verification</u>: SiC JFET Electrical Characteristics Do Not Degrade after **2.4 million 1200-V Hard-switch Short-circuit Pulses at 150** °C



- Peak current is 115 A: 13 times the JFET's 250 W/cm² rated current at 150 °C
- Energy dissipated by the JFET during each hard switching event is 73.2 mJ
- Peak dissipated power: 68.2 kW
- Current rise rate was 166 A/ $\!\mu s$ and the pulse FWHM was 1.8 μs

Standardized accelerated testing of large volumes of WBG devices will establish their **Reliability**







V. Veliadis

600-V / 60-A SiC JFET Based Bidirectional Power

Switching Demonstrated at 25 °C

Test conditions:

- 600-V, 60-A (both directions)
- 30°C liquid cooled heat sink
- Approx 20-µH circuit inductance (12-m cabling)

Results:

- 60 to 0-A at 600-V in approx. 10-µs
- Symmetric bidirectional conduction and turn-off
- 300-V overshoot (900-V) peak







Wafer-scale Interconnection of High-yielding Devices Maximizes Power per Weight/Volume Power America

Wafer-scale interconnection approach:

- · Determine largest discrete device area fabricated at high yield
- Fabricate discrete devices with edge termination
- Test discrete devices on wafer to generate yield wafer-map
- Interconnect good discrete devices across the wafer (Failed devices are not connected)



Wafer-scale Interconnection

Wafer-scale Interconnected PiN Diode Packaged for Pulsed Testing

Test-bed developed for wafer-scale diode pulsing:

- 3.1 mF Pulse-Forming-Network (PFN) generates rectangular current pulses
- PFN is switched by a Light Activated Semiconductor Switch or a Spark Gap
- Current Pulse Width: 0.5 ms
- Current Risetime: 33 μ s
- Maximum Current: Variable to 96 kA (at 20 kV charge)

Wafer-scale Interconnected PiN diode was press-packaged:

- Press pack accommodates $1\!\!/_4, 1\!\!/_2,$ and wafer-scale devices
- · Centering rings are used to ensure even pressure
- Can be pressurized to measure the leakage current in the diode before and after high current shots



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2.6 kV Quarter Wafer Bi-level Interconnected SiC Thyristor Power Switch Demonstrated



