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UnitedSiC SiC FET User Guide

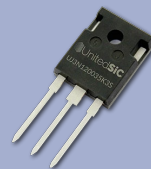
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Introduction

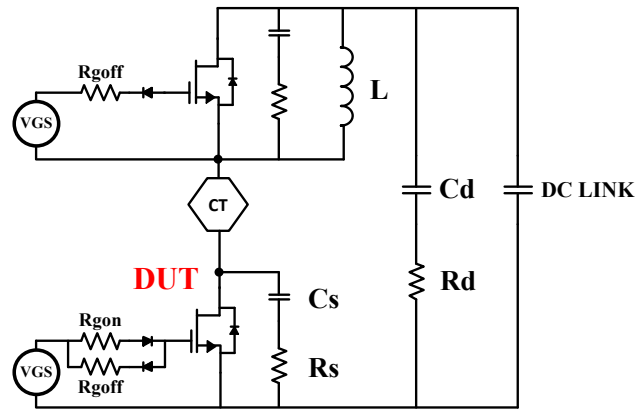
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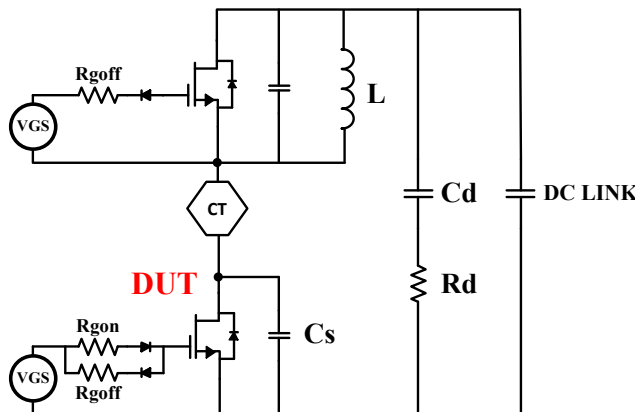
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(a) Hard-switching snubber configuration



(b) Soft-switching snubber configuration

Figure 1. DPT schematic with RC snubbers on both switches for hard-switching (a) and soft-switching (b)

A double pulse tester (DPT) has a half-bridge structure with an inductive load. A simplified schematic is shown in Figure 1. “DPT schematic with RC snubbers on both switches for hard switching (a) and soft switching (b)”. When the device under test (DUT) is turning on/off, the bypass capacitor C_d provides transient energy to commutate the high side (HS) and low side (LS) devices. This is the transient power loop. The bypass capacitor should be designed close to the half-bridge layout to reduce the parasitic inductance in the transient power loop. For DUT turn-on transient, once commutation is finished steady-state current flows from the DC LINK capacitors to charge the load inductor L and returns to DC LINK bulk capacitor through the DUT. This is the steady-state power loop. When the DUT is off, the diode becomes forward biased, and the inductor current circulates through the diode and inductor (the freewheeling loop). To avoid high dv/dt induced turn-on for fast SiC devices, an isolated gate driver and isolated power supplies are used to suppress high dv/dt induced common-mode noise in the gate signal path. Two snubber scenarios are provided here. For more details, please refer to the snubber application note UnitedSiC_AN0018 at https://unitedsic.com/appnotes/Snubber%20AppNotes_V8.pdf.

When designing a bus snubber R_d , designers should pay attention to total energy dissipation in R_d to avoid overheating.



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																										LLC		PSFB			
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Units		V	A	A	C/W	mΩ	mΩ	mΩ	Ω	Ω	Ω	Ω	Ω	Ω		Ω	pF	μJ	μJ	μJ	μJ	pF									
650V Devices																															
UJ3C065080T3S	TO220-3L	650	31	23	0.61	80	110	140	5	10	20	30	5	10	Optional	4.7	220							✓			✓		✓		
UJ3C065080K3S	TO247-3L	650	31	23	0.61	80	110	140	5	10	20	30	5	10	Optional	4.7	220							✓			✓		✓		
UJ3C065080B3	D2PAK-3L	650	25	18.2	1	80	110	140	5	10	20	30	5	10	Optional	4.7	220							✓			✓		✓		
UF3C065080T3S	TO220-3L	650	31	23	0.61	80	110	140	5	10	20	30	10	20	Required	4.7	220							✓							
UF3C065080K3S	TO247-3L	650	31	23	0.61	80	110	140	5	10	20	30	10	20	Required	4.7	220							✓							
UF3C065080B3	D2PAK-3L	650	25	18.2	1	80	110	140	5	10	20	30	10	20	Required	4.7	220							✓							
UF3C065080B7S	D2PAK-7L	650	27	20	0.83	80	110	140	15	20	30	50	5	10	Recommended	10	115							✓	✓		✓	✓	✓		
UF3C065080K4S	TO247-4L	650	31	23	0.61	80	110	140	15	20	30	50	5	10	Recommended	10	115							✓	✓		✓	✓	✓		
UF3C065040T3S	TO220-3L	650	54	40	0.35	42	58	78	5	10	20	30	10	20	Required	4.7	330							✓							
UF3C065040K3S	TO247-3L	650	54	40	0.35	42	58	70	5	10	20	30	10	20	Required	4.7	330	16.0	23.0					✓							
UF3C065040B3	D2PAK-3L	650	41	30	0.65	42	58	70	5	10	20	30	10	20	Required	4.7	330					150		✓							
UF3SC065040B7S	D2PAK-7L	650	43	31.5	0.59	42	58	70	15	20	30	50	5	10	Recommended	10	110							✓	✓		✓	✓	✓		
UF3C065040K4S	TO247-4L	650	54	40	0.35	42	58	70	15	20	30	50	5	10	Recommended	10	110							✓	✓		✓	✓	✓		
UJ3C065030T3S	TO220-3L	650	85	62	0.26	27	35	43	5	10	20	50	5	10	Optional	4.7	680							✓			✓		✓		
UJ3C065030K3S	TO247-3L	650	85	62	0.26	27	35	43	5	10	20	50	5	10	Optional	4.7	680	13.8	20.3				230	✓			✓		✓		
UJ3C065030B3	D2PAK-3L	650	66	47	0.48	27	35	43	5	10	20	50	5	10	Optional	4.7	680							✓			✓		✓		



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Units		V	A	A	C/W	mΩ	mΩ	mΩ	Ω	Ω	Ω	Ω	Ω	Ω		Ω	pF	μJ	μJ	μJ	μJ	pF												
UF3C065030T3S	TO220-3L	650	85	62	0.26	27	35	43	5	10	20	30	10	20	Required	4.7	680							✓										
UF3C065030K3S	TO247-3L	650	85	62	0.26	27	35	43	5	10	20	30	10	20	Required	4.7	680	15.8	22.5					✓										
UF3C065030B3	D2PAK-3L	650	66	47	0.48	27	35	43	5	10	20	30	10	20	Required	4.7	680					230	✓											
UF3SC065030B7S	D2PAK-7L	650	62	44	0.54	27	35	43	15	20	30	50	5	10	Recommended	10	220						✓	✓		✓	✓	✓						
UF3C065030K4S	TO247-4L	650	85	62	0.26	27	35	43	15	20	30	50	5	10	Recommended	10	220						✓	✓		✓	✓	✓						
UF3SC065007K4S	TO247-7L	650	180	130	0.15	6.7	9.3	11.8	3	4	5	7	3	5	Recommended	10	680					856	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓					
1200V Devices																																		
UF3C120400K3S	TO247-3L	1200	7.6	5.9	1.2	410	780	1070	5	10	20	30	10	20	No Need								17.5		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓				
UJ3C120150K3S	TO247-3L	1200	18.4	13.8	0.7	150	255	330	5	10	20	30	5	10	Optional	4.7	100							✓			✓	✓	✓	✓				
UF3C120150K3S	TO247-3L	1200	18.4	13.8	0.7	150	255	330	5	10	20	30	10	20	Required	4.7	100								✓			✓	✓	✓				
UF3C120150B7S	D2PAK-7L	1200	18.4	13.8	0.7	150	255	330	15	20	30	50	5	10	Recommended	10	47								✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				
UF3C120150K4S	TO247-4L	1200	18.4	13.8	0.7	150	255	330	15	20	30	50	5	10	Recommended	10	47								✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				
UJ3C120080K3S	TO247-3L	1200	33	24	0.45	80	136	172	5	10	20	30	5	10	Optional	4.7	150	5.0	8.0						✓	✓		✓	✓	✓				
UF3C120080K3S	TO247-3L	1200	33	24	0.45	80	136	172	5	10	20	30	10	20	Required	4.7	150								✓			✓	✓	✓				
UF3C120080B7S	D2PAK-7L	1200	28.8	21	0.61	80	136	172	15	20	30	50	5	10	Recommended	10	68								✓	✓		✓	✓	✓				
UF3C120080K4S	TO247-4L	1200	33	24	0.45	80	136	172	15	20	30	50	5	10	Recommended	10	68								✓	✓		✓	✓	✓				
UJ3C120070K3S	TO247-3L	1200	34.5	25.5	0.45	70	111	148	5	10	20	30	5	10	Optional	4.7	150								✓	✓		✓	✓	✓				



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Units		V	A	A	C/W	mΩ	mΩ	mΩ	Ω	Ω	Ω	Ω	Ω	Ω		Ω	pF	μJ	μJ	μJ	μJ	pF											
UJ3C120040K3S	TO247-3L	1200	65	47	0.27	35	56	73	5	10	20	30	5	10	Optional	4.7	330	14.7	21.6			112	✓			✓		✓					
UF3C120040K3S	TO247-3L	1200	65	47	0.27	35	56	73	5	10	20	30	10	20	Required	4.7	330	16.1	23.5			112		✓		✓		✓					
UF3SC120040B7S	D2PAK-7L	1200	47	34	0.54	35	56	73	15	20	30	50	5	10	Recommended	10	110	6.9	11.4			243		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓				
UF3C120040K4S	TO247-4L	1200	65	47	0.27	35	56	73	15	20	30	50	5	10	Recommended	10	110					243		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓				
UF3SC120016K3S	TO247-3L	1200	107	77	0.22	16	26	34	5	8	10	15	5	10	Required	10	470					243	✓			✓		✓					
UF3SC120016K4S	TO247-4L	1200	107	77	0.22	16	26	34	6	8	10	15	5	10	Recommended	10	470					243	✓	✓		✓		✓					
UF3SC120009K4S	TO247-4L	1200	180	130	0.15	8.6	13.8	18.2	3	4	5	7	3	5	Recommended	10	680					395	✓			✓		✓					
1700V Devices																																	
UF3C170400K3S	TO247-3L	1700	7.6	5.9	1.2	410	780	1070	5	10	20	30	10	20	No Need							15.5		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓				

Notes for Gen 3 products in hard-switching half-bridge applications:

1. UF3CxxxxxyK4S gives the highest efficiency. Snubber is recommended to improve EMI.
2. UF3CxxxxxyK3S with snubber is a fast solution for 3L applications. UF series in 3 terminal packages **MUST** use a snubber for hard-switching.
3. Snubber resistor loss is system dependent. Its loss and heat dissipation should be verified in target application.

Notes for Gen 3 products in soft-switching half-bridge applications (LLC, PSFB, etc.):

4. DFN8x8, D2PAK-7L, TO247-4L has highest efficiency with snubber capacitors (No Rs)
5. UJ3CxxxxxyK3S does not require snubber. For Rds(on) >80m, UJ3CxxxxxyK3S show good balance of EMI & efficiency.
6. A bus snubber with a Cds capacitor generally provides the best performance and waveforms

*The frequency mentioned in Application type is a general recommendation. The actual usable frequency should be calculated and verified by loss and thermal calculation. Please visit our online [FET JET Calculator](#) for more information.



Gen 4 SiC FET Usage Table UJ4C/SC and UF4C/SC Devices

									Gate Drive Voltage						Application Type*													
									Positive rail RGON				Negative rail RGOFF								Device RC snubber		Hard switched (Active rectifier, Totem Pole PFC, Full-bridge etc.)		ZVS			
Product Name	Package	Vdsmax	Id (25°C)	Id (100°C)	RthjC (Typ)	Rds(on) (25°C)	Rds(on) (125°C)	Rds(on) (175°C)	10V	12V	15V	20V	0V	-5V	Rsnub	Csnub	Esnub @ 10A	Esnub @ 30A	Esnub @ 50A	Esnub @ 80A	Coss(er)	Up to 20kHz	20-100kHz	>100kHz	50-150kHz	150-500kHz	20-50kHz	50-200kHz
Units		V	A	A	C/W	mΩ	mΩ	mΩ	Ω	Ω	Ω	Ω	Ω	Ω	Ω	pF	μJ	μJ	μJ	μJ	pF							
UJ4C075023K4S	TO247-4L	750	66	49	0.38	23	39	50	1	1	1		5	10	Recommended	10	200	8.0	17.0	25.0		✓	✓	✓				
UJ4C075023K3S	TO247-3L	750	66	49	0.38	23	39	50	15	20	30		50	50	Recommended	10	200	7.0	12.0	17.0		✓	✓	✓				
UJ4C075023B7S	D2PAK-7L	750	66	49	0.38	23	39	50	1	1	1		5	10	Recommended	10	200					✓	✓	✓				
UJ4C075033K4S	TO247-4L	750	47	39	0.48	33	57	75	1	1	1		5	10	Recommended	10	100	7.0	12.0	24.0		✓	✓	✓				
UJ4C075033K3S	TO247-3L	750	47	39	0.48	33	57	75	15	20	30		50	50	Recommended	10	100	6.0	11	15		✓	✓	✓				
UJ4C075033B7S	D2PAK-7L	750	47	39	0.48	33	57	75	1	1	1		5	10	Recommended	10	100					✓	✓	✓				
UJ4C075044K4S	TO247-4L	750	37.4	27.6	0.57	44	75	101	1	1	1		5	10	Recommended	10	68	3.2	6.8			✓	✓	✓				
UJ4C075044K3S	TO247-3L	750	37.4	27.6	0.57	44	75	101	15	20	30		50	50	Recommended	10	68	4.0	5.5			✓	✓	✓				
UJ4C075044B7S	D2PAK-7L	750	37.4	27.6	0.57	44	75	101	1	1	1		5	10	Recommended	10	68					✓	✓	✓				



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Units		V	A	A	C/W	mΩ	mΩ	mΩ	Ω	Ω	Ω	Ω	Ω	Ω		Ω	pF	μJ	μJ	μJ	μJ	pF							
UF4SC120070K3S	TO247-3L	1200	27.5	20.7	0.53	70	140	197	15	20	30		50	50	Recommended		47					42	✓	✓	✓				
															Recommended		47									✓	✓	✓	✓

Notes for Gen 4 products in hard-switching half-bridge applications:

1. All UJ4C devices are measured with a 2.5Ω, 100nF Bus snubber
2. All UJ4CxxxK3S devices requires either a 2.5Ω, 100nF Bus snubber or a recommended device snubber.
3. For switching currents above 20A per device, a device snubber is required. A bus snubber with a pure capacitive snubber is also an option but results in higher overshoot across device drain-to-source.
4. Snubber resistor loss is system dependent. Its loss and heat dissipation should be verified in target application.

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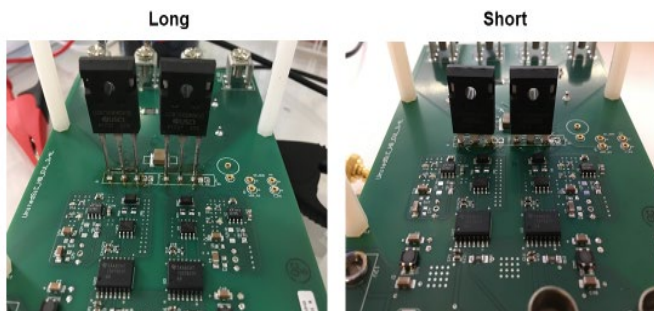


Figure 2: Long Lead vs. Short Lead - through-hole devices must have leads fully inserted to minimize inductance

Snubber Design Guidelines

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More snubber guidance is available at: <https://info.unitedsic.com/fet-design-tips>

Basic assumptions:

1. Rgon: minimize Qrr to reduce Eon.
2. Rgoff: Small value gives better VGS waveform. UFK3S needs higher Rgoff to avoid oscillation. 0 is possible.
3. Cascode Rg has big impact on turn on didt while limited effect on dvdt.
4. dvdt is affected by snubber.

Guidelines:

Snubber Rule	UF3CxxxxyyK3S	UF3CxxxxyyK4S
Cs (>80m R _{DS(on)})	3xCoss(er)	2xCoss(er)
Cs (<30m R _{DS(on)})		Coss(er)
Rs (Ω)	See datasheet	See datasheet

Note: Using snubber Cs can greatly reduce Eoff for soft switching (ZVS) applications.

BOM:

Cs (pF)	Series	Part Number	Package	Rated V
47	COG	202R18N470JV4E	1206	2000V
68		C1206C680JGGAC7800	1206	
100		202R18N101JV4E	1206	

Cs (pF)	Series	Part Number	Package	Rated V
150	COG	C1206C151JGGAC7800	1206	2000V
220		C1206C221JGGAC7800	1206	
330		C1210C331JGGACTU	1210	
680		C1808C681JGGAC7800	1808	

Notes:

- "COG" ceramic capacitors have most stable capacitance over temperature and voltage variation.
- [KEMET's X8G HV Class 1](#) dielectric features a 150°C maximum operating temperature, offering the latest in high temperature dielectric technology and reliability for extreme temperature applications and under the hood applications. X8G exhibits no change in capacitance with respect to voltage and boasts a minimal change in capacitance with reference to ambient temperature. It is a suitable replacement for higher capacitance and larger footprint devices that fail to offer capacitance stability. Capacitance change is limited to $\pm 30\text{ppm}/^\circ\text{C}$ from -55°C to $+150^\circ\text{C}$. KEMET X8R is available with flexible termination technology which inhibits the transfer of board stress to the rigid ceramic body, therefore mitigating flex cracks which can result in low IR or short circuit failures.

Rs (Ω)	Power Rating (W)	Part Number	Package
4.7	0.5	CRCW08054R70FKEAHP	0805
	0.75	CRCW12104R70JNEAHP	1210
	1	CRCW20104R70JNEFHP	2010
	1.5	CRCW25124R70JNEGHP	2512
10	0.5	CRCW080510R0JNEAHP	0805
	0.75	CRCW120610R0JNEAHP	1206
	1	CRCW201010R0JNEFHP	2010
	1.5	CRCW251210R0JNEGHP	2512

Notes:

- VISHAY "CRCW-HP e3" series provides excellent pulse load capability and AEC-Q200 qualified.
- One of the main benefits of the CRCW-HP resistor is the power dissipation which is much higher than power dissipated from standard chip resistor of the same size. For example, a standard 1206 size thick film resistor is rated at 0.25W while CRCW1206-HP is rated at 0.75W (three times more). This is mainly achieved by the double-sided printed design. CRCW0805-HP, for instance, is rated at 0.5W, the same power rating as standard 1210 while occupying much less area on the PCB, so there is a significant PCB space that can be saved. This is one of the reasons why the HP series is recommended for densely populated PCBs. The biggest case size of the CRCW-HP series is 2512, rated at 1.5 W. Additionally, CRCW-HP OR Jumper offers much higher maximum current capability in the same package size as a standard OR jumper.
https://www.vishay.com/docs/48634/crcw-hp_ppt_product_overview_nov2018.pdf
- TE Connectivity offers 3540 series of SMD resistors that can handle 4W at 70°C in 2817 size package.

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