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- a) Clause 3 was amended by adding terms that should be included.
- b) Clauses 4 and 5 were amended by suitable additions and deletions that should be included.
- c) Clauses 6 and 7 in Amendment 1 were combined into Clause 6 with suitable additions and corrections that should be included.
- d) Clause 8 in Amendment 1 was renumbered as Clause 7.

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SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICES – DISCRETE DEVICES –

Part 9: Insulated-gate bipolar transistors (IGBTs)

1 Scope

This part of IEC 60747 gives product specific standards for terminology, letter symbols, essential ratings and characteristics, verification of ratings and methods of measurement for insulated-gate bipolar transistors (IGBTs).

2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

IEC 60747-1:2006, Semiconductor devices - Part 1: General

IEC 60747-2, Semiconductor devices – Discrete devices and integrated circuits – Part 2: Rectifier diodes

IEC 60747-6, Semiconductor devices - Part 6: Thyristors

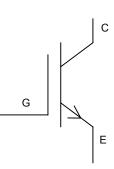
IEC 61340 (all parts), Electrostatics

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

3.1 Graphical symbol of IGBT

The graphical symbol as shown below is used in this edition of IEC 60747-9.



Graphical symbol

NOTE Only the graphical symbol for N-channel IGBT is used in this standard. It equally applies for the measurement of P-channel devices. In the case of P-channel devices polarity must be adapted.

3.2 General terms

3.2.1

insulated-gate bipolar transistor

IGBT

transistor having a conduction channel and a PN junction. The current flowing through the channel and the junction is controlled by an electric field resulting from a voltage applied between the gate and emitter terminals See IEV 521-04-05.

NOTE With collector-emitter voltage applied, the PN junction is forward biased.

3.2.2

N-channel IGBT

IGBT that has one or more N-type conduction channels See IEV 521-05-06.

3.2.3

P-channel IGBT

IGBT that has one or more P-type conduction channels See IEV 521-04-05.

3.2.4

collector current (of an IGBT)

I_c

direct current that is switched (controlled) by the IGBT

3.2.5

collector terminal, collector (of an IGBT)

С

for an N-channel (a P-channel) (GBT, the terminal to (from) which the collector current flows from (to) the external circuit See IEV 521-07-05 and IEV 521-05-02.

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emitter terminal, emitter (of an IGBT)

Е

for an N-channel (a P-channel) IGBT, the terminal from (to) which the collector current flows to (from) the external circuit See IEV 521-07-04.

3.2.7

gate terminal, gate (of an IGBT) G

terminal to which a voltage is applied against the emitter terminal in order to control the collector current

See IEV 521-07-09.

3.3 Terms related to ratings and characteristics; voltages and currents

3.3.1

collector-emitter (d.c.) voltage

voltage between collector and emitter

3.3.2

collector-emitter voltage with gate-emitter short-circuited

V_{CES}

collector-emitter voltage at which the collector current has a specified low (absolute) value with gate-emitter short-circuited

3.3.3

collector-emitter sustaining voltage

V_{CE*sus}

collector-emitter breakdown voltage at relatively high values of collector current where the breakdown voltage is relatively insensitive to changes in collector current, for a specified termination between gate and emitter terminals

NOTE 1 The specified termination between gate and emitter terminals is indicated in the letter symbol by the third subscript '*'; see 4.1.2 of IEC 60747-7.

NOTE 2 When necessary, a suitable qualifier is added to the basic term to indicate a specific termination between gate and emitter terminals.

Example: Collector-emitter sustaining voltage with gate and emitter terminals short-circuited VCESsus.

NOTE 3 The basic term may be shortened if the meaning is clear from the letter symbol wed

Example: Collector-emitter sustaining voltage V_{CERsus}.

NOTE 4 This term is important for high-voltage devices, for example more than 4 kV

3.3.4

collector-emitter breakdown voltage

V_{(BR)CES}

voltage between collector and emitter above which the collector current rises steeply, with gate to emitter short-circuited See IEV 521-05-06.

3.3.5

collector-emitter saturation voltage

V_{CEsat}

collector-emitter voltage under conditions of gate-emitter voltage at which the collector current is essentially independent of the gate-emitter voltage

3.3.6

gate-emitter (d.c.) voltage voltage between gate and emitter

3.3.7

gate-collector (d.c.) voltage voltage between gate and collector

3.3.8

gate-emitter threshold voltage

V_{GE(th)} gate-emitter voltage at which the collector current has a specified low (absolute) value

3.3.9

electrostatic discharge voltage

voltage that can be applied to the gate terminal without destruction of the isolation layer See IEV 521-05-27

3.3.10

collector cut-off current

collector current at a specific collector-emitter voltage below the breakdown region and gate off-state

3.3.11 collector current current through collector 3.3.12 tail current *I*cz collector current during the tail time

3.3.13

gate leakage current

I_{GES}

leakage current into the gate terminal at a specified gate-emitter voltage with the collector terminal short-circuited to the emitter terminal

3.3.14

safe operating area

SOA

collector current versus collector emitter voltage where the IGBT is able to turn-on and turnoff without failure

3.3.14.1

forward bias safe operating area FBSOA

collector current versus collector emitter voltage where the IGBT is able to turn-on and is able to be on-state without failure

3.3.14.2

reverse bias safe operating area RBSOA

collector current versus collector emitter voltage where the IGBT is able to turn-off without failure

3.3.14.3

short circuit safe operating area

short circuit duration and collector emitter voltage where the IGBT is able to turn-on and turnoff without failure

3.4 Terms related to ratings and characteristics; other characteristics

3.4.1

input capacitance

Cies

capacitance between the gate and emitter terminals with the collector terminal short-circuited to the emitter terminal for a.c.

3.4.2

output capacitance

Coes

capacitance between the collector and emitter terminals with the gate terminal short-circuited to the emitter terminal for a.c.

3.4.3

reverse transfer capacitance

Cres capacitance between the collector and gate terminals

3.4.4 gate charge Q_G

charge required to raise the gate-emitter voltage from a specified low to a specified high level

3.4.5 internal gate resistance *r*_q

internal series resistance

3.4.6

turn-on energy (per pulse)

Eon

energy dissipated inside the IGBT during the turn-on of a single collector current pulse

NOTE The corresponding turn-on power dissipation under periodic pulse conditions is obtained by multiplying E_{on} by the pulse frequency.

3.4.7

turn-off energy (per pulse)

Eoff

energy dissipated inside the IGBT during the turn-off time plus the tail time of a single collector current pulse

NOTE The corresponding turn-off power dissipation under periodic pulse conditions is obtained by multiplying E_{off} by the pulse frequency.

3.4.8 turn-on de

turn-on delay time

*t*_{d(on)}, *t*_d

time interval between the beginning of a voltage pulse across the input terminals which switches the IGBT from the off-state to the on-state and the beginning of the rise of the collector current

NOTE Usually, the time is measured between points corresponding to 10 % of the input and output pulse amplitudes.

3.4.9 rise time *t*_r

time interval between the instants at which the rise of the collector current reaches specified lower and upper limits, respectively, when the IGBT is being switched from the off-state to the on-state

NOTE Usually the lower and upper limits are 10 % and 90 % of the pulse amplitude.

3.4.10

turn-on time

t_{on}

sum of the turn on delay time and the rise time

3.4.11

turn-off delay time

$t_{d(off)}, t_s$

time interval between the end of the voltage pulse across the input terminals which has held the IGBT in its on-state and the beginning of the fall of the collector current when the IGBT is switched from the on-state to the off-state

NOTE Usually, the time is measured between points corresponding to 90 % of the input and output pulse amplitudes.

3.4.12 fall time

t_f

time interval between the instants at which the fall of the collector current reaches specified upper and lower limits, respectively, when the IGBT is switched from the on-state to the off-state

NOTE Usually, the upper and lower limits are 90 % and 10 % of the pulse amplitude.

3.4.13

turn-off time

t_{off}

sum of the turn-off delay time and the fall time

3.4.14

- tail time
- tz

time interval from the end of the turn-off time to the instant at which the collector current has fallen to 2 % or lower specified value

4 Letter symbols

4.1 General

General letter symbols for IGBTs are defined in Clause 4 of IEC 60747-

4.2 Additional general subscripts

- C,c collector
- E,e emitter
- G,g gate
- sat saturation
- th threshold
- Z,z tail
- S termination with a short circuit
- R termination with a resistor
- X termination with specified gate emitter voltage

sus sustaining

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