The Multinational Power Electronics Association

PSMA Magnetics Committee Meeting

September 4TH 2024

Ed Herbert, George Slama, Matt Wilkowski
Committee Chairs

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September 4, 2024

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- 2025 Workshop Planning
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  - Electrical parameters of magnetic materials
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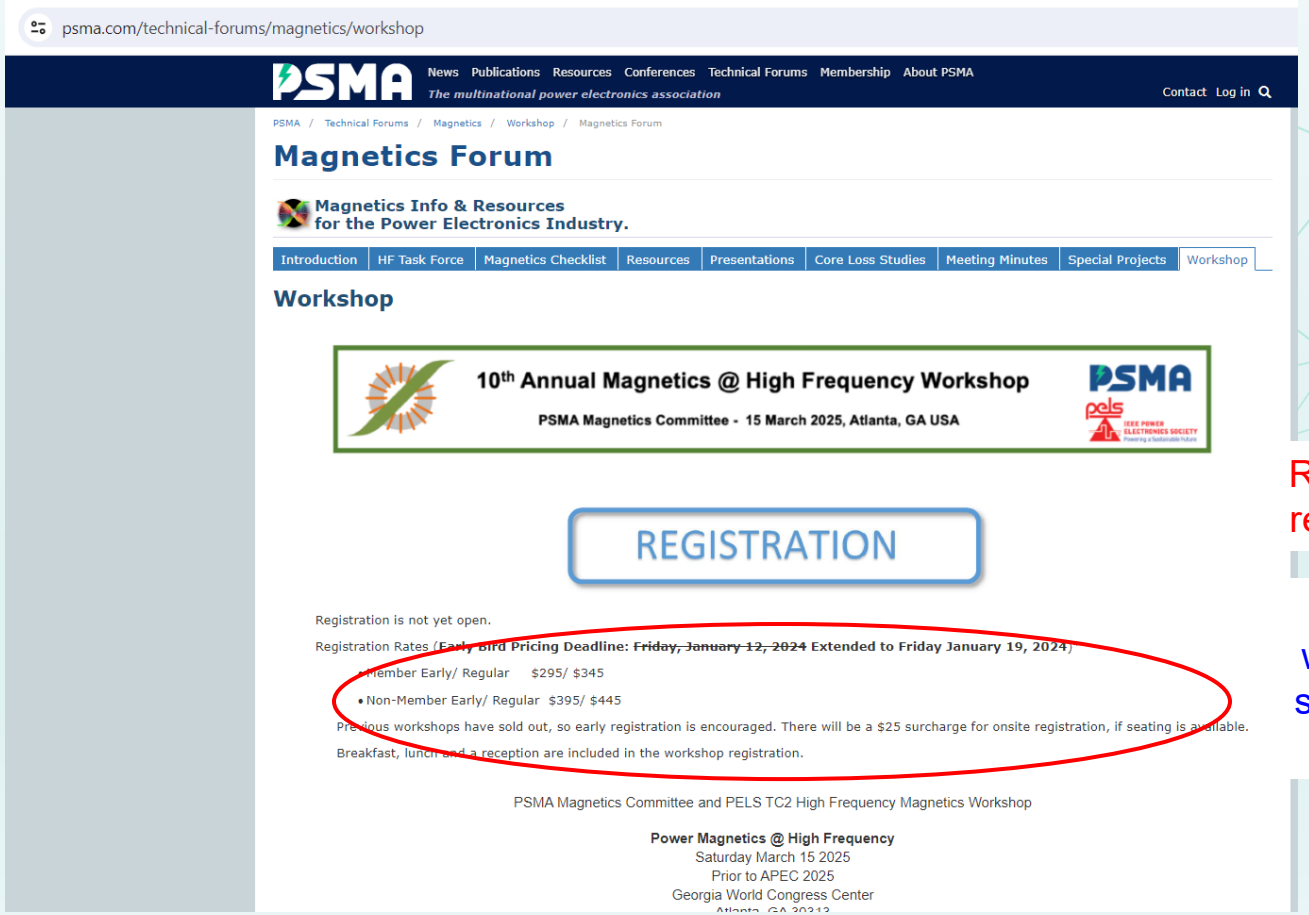
- Workshop Tab
  - Needs to be updated to reflect date for 2025 workshop –complete
    - Note comment on next slide regarding workshop partners
  - Workshop presentations available to 2024 attendees
    - Available on Presentations tab if logged in

Discussion:
Preserve partners for specific workshop years
Either by
1. Part of the running text on the workshop home page
2. Presentation pages for each workshop year

Matt W to work with John H for the most practical approach



Remove fees until registration opens

Fees for 2025 workshop will be the same as for the 2024 workshop

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- Workshop Tab
  - Workshop partners
    - 2024 Workshop partners removed
    - 2023 Workshop partners still listed

Add photos to 2024 workshop text.

Example of preserving workshop partners for 2023 workshop

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- Morning Session – Physical Integration
  - Plenary – David Perreault?
  - Magnetics Integration for 2.5D Vs 3D Packaging – Ranajit Sai (Tyndall) ✓
  - Wafer Level Magnetics Sputtered – Martin Haug/Martin Sittner (Wurth)?
  - Magnetics for 3D Power Delivery– Patrick Fouassier Premo Power?
  - Planar Magnetics – Payton Planar Magnetics? Nicola Rosano Vicor?
  - Assembly methods – Sandia? – Additives combining core/winding
  - Power System in Package – John McDonald (Atlas Magnetics) ✓
    - Silicon + Discrete Magnetics in semiconductor packaging - ???
  - Embedded and 3D Printing Rico Wachs (TriDelta)

Morning Session
need
plenary presentation
plus
5 lecture presentations

- Afternoon Session - Electrical integration
  - Plenary – Charlie Sullivan (Dartmouth) ✓
  - VIRT – Mike Ranjram (ASU) ✓
  - Simulation – Alfonso Martinez (Wurth) ✓
  - Capacitor/Inductor – Phyo Kyaw (Resonant Link)?
  - TLVR – ADI, Eaton, TI, Onsemi, CPES?
  - LLC – Runo Nielsen (runo.nielsen@tdcadsl.dk)
  - Coupled Inductors - ???

Afternoon Session
need
plenary presentation
plus
4 lecture presentations

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- Plenary Speakers
  - Presenters from first workshop
    - Candidates to pursue
      - David Perreault
      - Charlie Sullivan
    - Topics
      - Advances in magnetics over the past ten years
        - » Electrical performance
        - » New structures
- Candidates for future workshop leadership
  - Candidates to pursue
      - Paul Ohodnicki – UPITT – confirmed interest
      - Mike Ranjram – ASU – confirmed interest
      - Andres Arias – Premier – confirmed interest

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- Tech Demos - Confirmed
  - Zimmer wattmeter – Gregg Schaeppi/Dave Stuart ✓ *(George to re-verify)*
  - Fair-Rite – dimensional resonance, fringing mitigation, core design – Mike Arasim ✓
  - Open magnetics demo – Alfonso Martinez ✓
  - Micrometals – active damping of EMI filters using low Q powder materials – Lukas Mueller ✓
  - PE Systems - double pulse testing of magnetic components – Kevin Hermanns ✓
  - IEC TC51 WG10 – core permeability and permittivity measurements of shielding material – Akihko Saito ✓
  - Daido Steel/Tokyo Institute of technology electromagnetic wave shield measurement - Akhiko Saito ✓
  - Andres Arias – CMC and LLC ✓
  - Triple Pulse Testing Open-source project Jun Wang UK Bristol ✓
  - Bs&T – linear versus non-linear magnetic characteristics – JC Sun ✓

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- Tech Demos - Identified
  - Core Loss Database project
    - Demonstration of the website database
      - Visualization of core loss data
  - Our other project – core permittivity and permeability characteristics
    - Jonas' student either a tech demo or a poster
    - ~~University of Padaborn - Till Piepenbrock~~
    - Bruce Carsten
  - Partial Discharge system (Chroma, Hipotronics, Hubbel, …)
    - Doble Falk Werrner
  - Capacitor with magnetics (Alan) LLC – capacitor voltage rating
  - Build an integrated device
  - Component manufacturers of Integrated Magnetics
    - Payton Planar Magnetics
  - Himet – Sputtered magnetic materials - Raj Nataraj

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- Posters
  - HSLU – Frederic (maybe someone else – contact Jonas M)
    - Core permittivity and permeability characteristics
  - UPITT – TBD (Sturdivant?)
    - Application of multiple objective optimization relative magnetics integration or other magnetic design topic
  - ASU – TBD
    - TBD
  - MIT – Rachel Yang
    - TBD

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Proposal for an Industry Session for APEC2025

Magnetics Industry Session

The Transformer in the Solid-State Transformer

(Seven presentations)

Georgia World Congress Center
Atlanta, GA

March 18, 19, or 20, 2025

PSMA Magnetics Committee
August 21, 2024

The PSMA Magnetics Committee is proposing a seven topic Industry Session for APEC2025. The subject will be all aspects of designing the transformer of a **solid-state transformer.** The session will have seven speakers addressing a variety of topics related to the magnetics transformer portion of the solid-state transformer. Solid-state transformers are an emerging technology that replaces the traditional line frequency transformer with additional functions and intelligence.

The Industry Session will target the specific interests of the PSMA and APEC audience who are designing, specifying and installing transformers in a solid-state transformer system in efforts to modernize the power grid and other high power medium voltage applications. The benefits of improved semiconductor devices, advanced control systems and high frequency are well known to improve the reliability, response and efficiency of power delivery systems. However, even though the design equations may be scalable from low power, low voltage applications to high power, high voltage applications; the specifics of the magnetics design to support solid-state transformer topologies drives a different pareto of design trade-offs for physical realization.

The topics of the seven presentations are as follows:

1. Overview of Magnetics Transformer Function as Part of the Solid-State Transformer
2. Conductor Design
3. Insulation/Isolation Issues
4. Magnetic Materials Options and Trade-Offs
5. Leakage Inductance and Coupling Issues
6. Capacitance Issues
7. Thermal Design

Session Chairs:
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Solid State Transformers From Supply Chain to Qualified Installed Product
Solid State Transformers From Genesis to Backbone Product of the Smartgrid Revolution
Focus on Solid State Transformers
ABC's of Solid Sate transformers

The Transformer in the Solid State Transformer

- All aspects of fabricating a Solid-State Transformer (SST)
  - Overview – *Dr Alex Huang (UT)?*
  - Conductor design
  - Insulation/Isolation Issues
    - *Paul Ohodnicki – UPITT – P3105 Subgroup 2 Isolation Issues for SST* ✓
  - Magnetic Core materials – *AMPED (NCSU, UPITT) CorePower Magnetics?*
  - Coupling and Leakage Inductance
    - *Drazen Dujic – EPFL – Inductance and Leakage Inductance Measurements for MFT?*
  - Capacitance – *Hongbo Zhao (Aalborg University)*
  - Thermal Design – *NCSU? UPM? Utah State University?*
  - AC Power Loss
  - Environmental Design
- **Focus on the transformer of Solid-State Transformer**
  - Too many APEC and ECCE session on SST focus on topology rather than the transformer

North Carolina State

Coolmag – thermal potting (demo too)
url: https://coolmag.net/

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Magnetics Industry Session

Core Loss – Making the Data Reliable and Relevant

(Four presentations)

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Atlanta, GA

March 18, 19, or 20, 2025

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The PSMA Magnetics Committee is proposing a four topic Industry Session for APEC2025. The subject will be meaningful **magnetic core loss measurements.** The session will have four speakers addressing a variety of topics related to correlation of magnetic core loss measurements made by different methods and the development of a database to collect verified core loss measurements made by qualified methods.

The Industry Session will target the specific interests of the PSMA and APEC audience. For this audience, the common subject of interest is to be able to reliably compare measurements made by different methods and organizations for use in the design of magnetic components regardless of the magnetic core material, magnetic core structure and the circuit topology.

This session includes the observations of the results from different standards and research initiatives to compare measurements made on a common set of magnetic core samples using different test sets developed by different organizations. The goal of the initiatives is to define a methodology to qualify the data made by different equipment and organizations. The methodology includes defining sources of error and variation and corresponding limits for each. Ultimately enabling a common resultant data base of core loss measurements that can be used to make magnetic material choices, component design decisions and technical performance predictions based on reliable and relevant empirical measurement data.

The topics of the four presentations are as follows:

1. Scientific Network of Magnetics (ScN -Magnetics) Core Evaluation Kit Project
2. HFEMAG European Metrology Labs Correlation Project
3. Triple Pulse Core Loss Testing
4. PSMA – Core Loss Database Website

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Core Loss – Ensuring the Quality of the Data
Core Loss – Consolidating Too Much Data
Core Loss – Making All the Data Useable

Core Loss – Making the Data Reliable and Useable

- Additional four-presentation industry session
  - Core Loss Testing & Modelling
    - Scientific Network of Magnetics – Jens Friebe – Kassel ✓
    - HFEMAG European Metrology Labs Correlation Project – Massimo Pasquale – INRIM ✓
    - Triple Pulse Core Loss Testing - Jun Wang – University of Bristol ✓
    - PSMA – Core Loss Database website – George Slama – Wurth Elektronik ✓
    - ETTC P393 Core Loss measurement proposal – Matt Wilkowski – Wurth Elektronik
    - Impact of machine learning to predict core loss – Minjie Chen - Princeton

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2024 PSMA PTR Webinar Series
Potential Contributions from the Magnetics Committee

- Fraunhofer – Torben Dankwort
  - PowderMEMS – a novel technology for fabrication of functionalized MEMS structures
  - Thursday June 13 √
- CBMM - Bharadwaj Reddy Andapally
  - Technology Roadmap for Nanocrystalline Cores
  - Thursday July 25 √
- Utah State University – Reebal Nimri
  - High Power (1 MW) Charging
  - Re-Confirmed June 3
    - October 2024 timeframe

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  - In Process
    - Core Loss Database
    - Electrical parameters of magnetic materials
  - Pending
    - Steinmetz Like Approximation
    - Electrical parameters of magnetic materials
    - Propagation in magnetic materials
    - Current driven core loss testing
    - Spice model

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- Core Loss Database
  - Database should be on its own website
    - Link to the website on a tab in the PSMA Magnetics Forum
  - Special meeting during last week of September
    - September 25 10:00 AM CDT
      - Alfonso, Ranagit, Rodney, Jun Wang
      - Send to magnetics mailing list

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Magnetics Forum

Magnetics Info & Resources for the Power Electronics Industry.

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HF Task Force

PSMA Magnetics Committee High Frequency Task Force

January 11, 2015

At the PSMA Planning meeting in September 2013, the PSMA Magnetics Committee was strongly encouraged to do a workshop on high frequency magnetics.

Below is to the working document in which various topics of interest have been identified and grouped. This document will be revised as new topics are suggested and input is received.

For the various topics, we solicit inputs from experts in the related field. White papers, application notes, slide presentation, audio and video files all are welcome. As inputs are received, they will be summarized in the working document, and links will be added to original files.

We have created a LinkedIn group, "PSMA Magnetics Committee High Frequency Task Force." We will open threads on various topics to provide a forum for questions and open discussion.

We encourage engineers to identify problems with magnetics that have hindered their high frequency designs. The more interesting problems may become discussion threads, looking for solutions.

Steve Carlsen
Ed Herbert
Co-Chairmen
PSMA Magnetics Committee

PSMA Member Promotion

PSMA members who contribute to the workshop can have their name in a Promotional Box next to their contribution.

The members can include their logos and links to their web sites or promotional material.

PSMA Membership Information

Update

High frequency magnetics

Revision: January 11, 2015

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- 4. Inductors
- 5. Lossy suppressors
- 6. Magnetic circuits with saturating cores
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- 8. "Solid state" transformers
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- 10. Parasitic impedance
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- 12. Fabrication technology
- 13. Near field noise performance
- 14. Software, design and simulation
- 15. Test equipment, quality assurance and production testing
- 16. Reliability
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https://psma.com/technical-forums/magnetics/hf-task-force

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PSMA Membership Information

High frequency magnetics

Revision: January 11, 2015

1. Core materials

This section discusses the characteristics of various materials used to make inductor and transformer cores. Manufacturers are encouraged to provide their catalogs and data sheets to be included. Manufacturers who are PSMA members may have a promotional block placed in this report.

A good over-view of the various magnetic materials and their selection criteria can be found in "Magnetic Core Materials in HF Applications."[1]

1.1. Ferrite

1.2. Low temperature cured ferrites

1.3. Powdered metal

1.4. Nanocrystalline and amorphous metals

1.5. Composite cores

1.6. Tape-wound cores

1.7. Selection criteria

Populate section 1.3 and 1.7 with content proposed by Lukas Mueller

PSMA Member Promotion

Tyndall National Institute

[1] Magnetic Core Materials in HF Applications; Dr. Jonas Mühlethaler, Gecko-Simulations, AG; an APEC2014 Industry Session

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Appendix

MICROMETALS™ POWDER CORE SOLUTIONS

Add Micrometals logo with link to Micrometals website to this section of HF task force

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Proposal By Lukas Mueller on June 28, 2024

Section 1.3 Powder Materials

Powdered metal-based cores are made from small particles of magnetic material that are insulated, mixed with a binder and pressed into a solid core shape. The defining characteristic of powder cores is their low starting permeability ranging from 4 to 550 and soft-saturation characteristic. Unlike a gapped high permeability material, a powder material will gradually lose its permeability with increasing magnetization force. Coupled with powder materials with high saturation flux density, these materials can store higher amounts of energy per unit volume than ferrite. Core loss is generally higher for powder materials than ferrite.

There are three broad subtypes of powder metal cores depending on the base raw material used: iron, carbonyl iron and alloy.

1.3.1 Powder iron cores are made from reduced iron. The main advantage of powder iron is the materials high saturation flux density, high amplitude permeability, high damping and low cost. The main disadvantage of powder iron is its high core loss compared to other materials, making it more suitable for low frequency power conversion, line reactor or EMI filtering applications

1.3.2 Carbonyl iron-based cores feature low eddy current losses due its unique magnetic particle structure. This gives these types of materials a stable permeability over a wide frequency range. The main application for carbonyl iron-based cores is in high Q resonant inductors and broadband transformers at frequencies above 1MHz.

1.3.3 Alloy powder cores feature lower hysteresis losses than powder iron cores. The stability of these materials' permeability versus magnetization force is also significantly better. Alloy powder cores excel in DC inductors in filtering and power conversion applications. There is a large variety of alloy cores including but not limited to: Sendust, Permalloy, Mollypermalloy and Silicon Steel.

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Section 1.7 Selection criteria

The defining selection criteria for magnetic materials are: core loss, saturation flux density, inductance stability, temperature range and mechanical ruggedness.
For AC applications like high Q resonant inductors or transformers low core loss at the intended switching frequency is the primary concern. The performance factor of different material grades can be used to identify the material with the lowest core loss at a certain frequency.
For DC switching inductors, like PFC inductors, a mixture of inductance stability and core loss is desirable.
For EMI filter inductors, high damping is beneficial to limit parasitic resonances in the filter. In addition, a high impedance over the desired filtering frequency range is crucial. For DC filter inductors, a high DC bias stability is desired. The material saturation constant can be used to evaluate different materials in this regard. For AC line filter inductors, a high saturation flux density and high amplitude permeability are beneficial.

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Section 1.7 Selection criteria (Continued)

Application	Material 1	Material 2	Material 3	Note
Common Mode Choke	MnZn Ferrite	Nanocrystalline	NiZn Ferrite	Carbonyl iron above 500MHz an option as well
DC Filter Choke	Powder Alloy	MnZn Ferrite	Powder Iron	
AC Line Choke	Power Iron	Powder Alloy	Fe-Si (laminated)	
AC Filter Choke	Carbonyl iron	Powder Alloy	MnZn Ferrute	
CCM Switching inductor	Powder Alloy	MnZn Ferrite	Nanocrystalline	Evaluate DC bias stability vs. core loss
DCM Switching Inductor	MnZn Ferrite	NiZn Ferrite	Carbonyl Iron	Carbonyl iron has higher core loss but lower AC copper loss due to distributed air gap
Tuned RF inductor	Carbonyl Iron	NiZn Ferrite	Air	
Transformer	MnZn Ferrite	Nanocrystalline	NiZn Ferrite	

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- Wednesday October 9 10:00 AM CDT – 11:00 AM CDT

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- Attendance (12)
  - John Horzepa
  - Mike Arasim
  - Jim Cox
  - Doug Eaton
  - Frank Feng
  - Ed Herbert
  - Alfonso Martinez
  - Lukas Mueller
  - Mike Ranjram
  - Rodney Rogers
  - Ranajit Sai
  - George Slama
  - JC Sun
  - Mark Swihart
  - Matt Wilkowski

Thank You