1700 V GaN – Will it Replace SiC in > 1 KV Applications?

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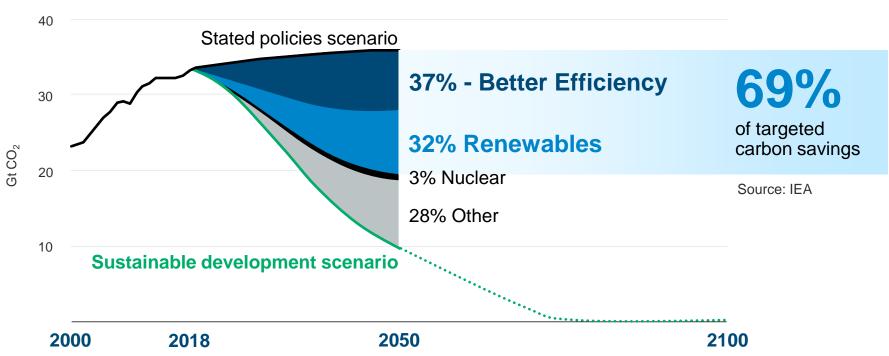
Bodo's Wide Bandgap Event 2024

Making WBG Designs Happen

GaN

Power Semiconductors are Critical to a Lower-Carbon Future

Efficiency and renewables hold the key to achieving carbon-reduction targets



Higher Voltage Capability Extends GaN's Efficiency Benefits from Consumer to Industrial Applications















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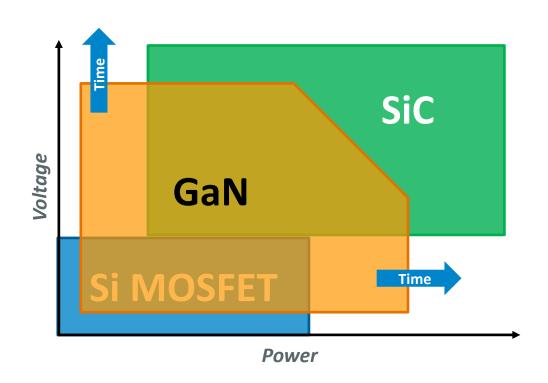
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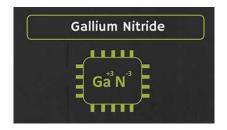
High Voltage GaN vs. Si and SiC

- GaN is close to reaching cost parity with Silicon except at very low power
 - Low power GaN die too small to assemble!
- Latest 750V GaN technology can cost effectively replace SiC & Si up to 10s of kWs
- GaN can also cost effectively replace SiC at 1200 and 1700V up to several 100Ws
- SiC is several years ahead of GaN in addressing 100s of kW
- Further advances in GaN technology is needed to address 100s of kWs cost effectively against SiC
- GaN-inherently more cost effective than SiC
 - Due to lower material and processing costs



GaN Is Fundamentally More Sustainable Than SiC





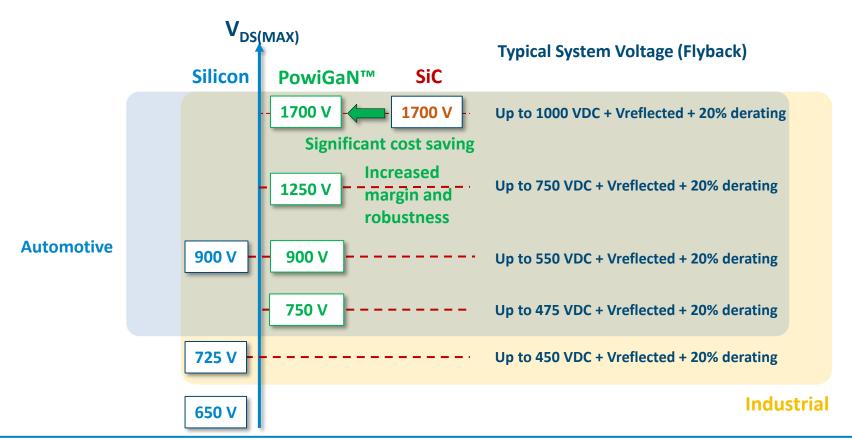


GaN requires substantially less energy to produce than SiC

Source and quantity of upstream energy use are crucial

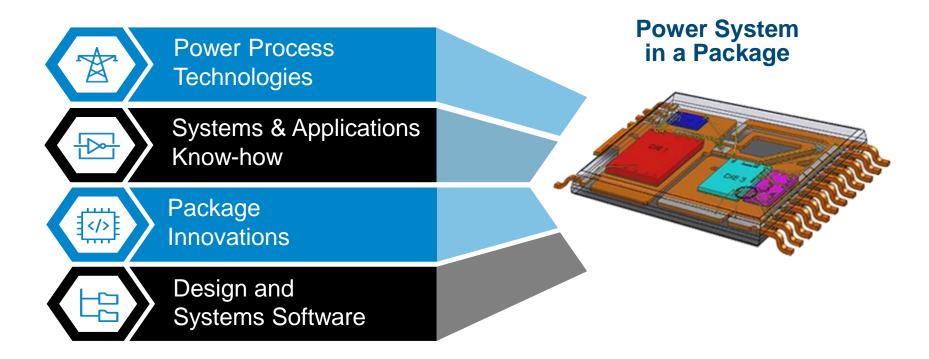


2024 HV Switch Options for Power Conversion



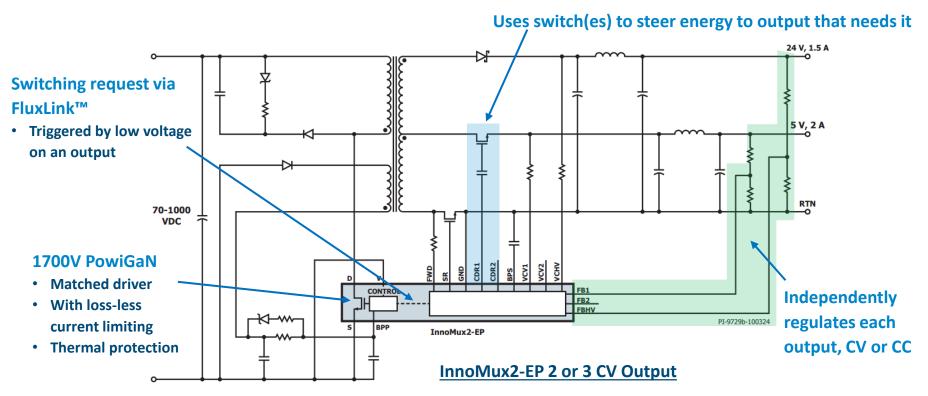
Success Comes From System-Level Innovation

Switch Technology Is Not Enough



Just Released: 1700 V InnoMux-2

Incorporates all of PI's Multi-Disciplinary Innovations



The Best HV Switch Technology vs. Power

Power	MOSFET GaN GaN wins in some cases	GaN MOSFET GaN Wins	GaN MOSFET SiC GaN Winning	GaN MOSFET SiC GaN Will Win	GaN IGBT SiC GaN will win GaN vill win as technology advances advances	IGBT SiC	IGBT	100 MW	IGBT Thyristo
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