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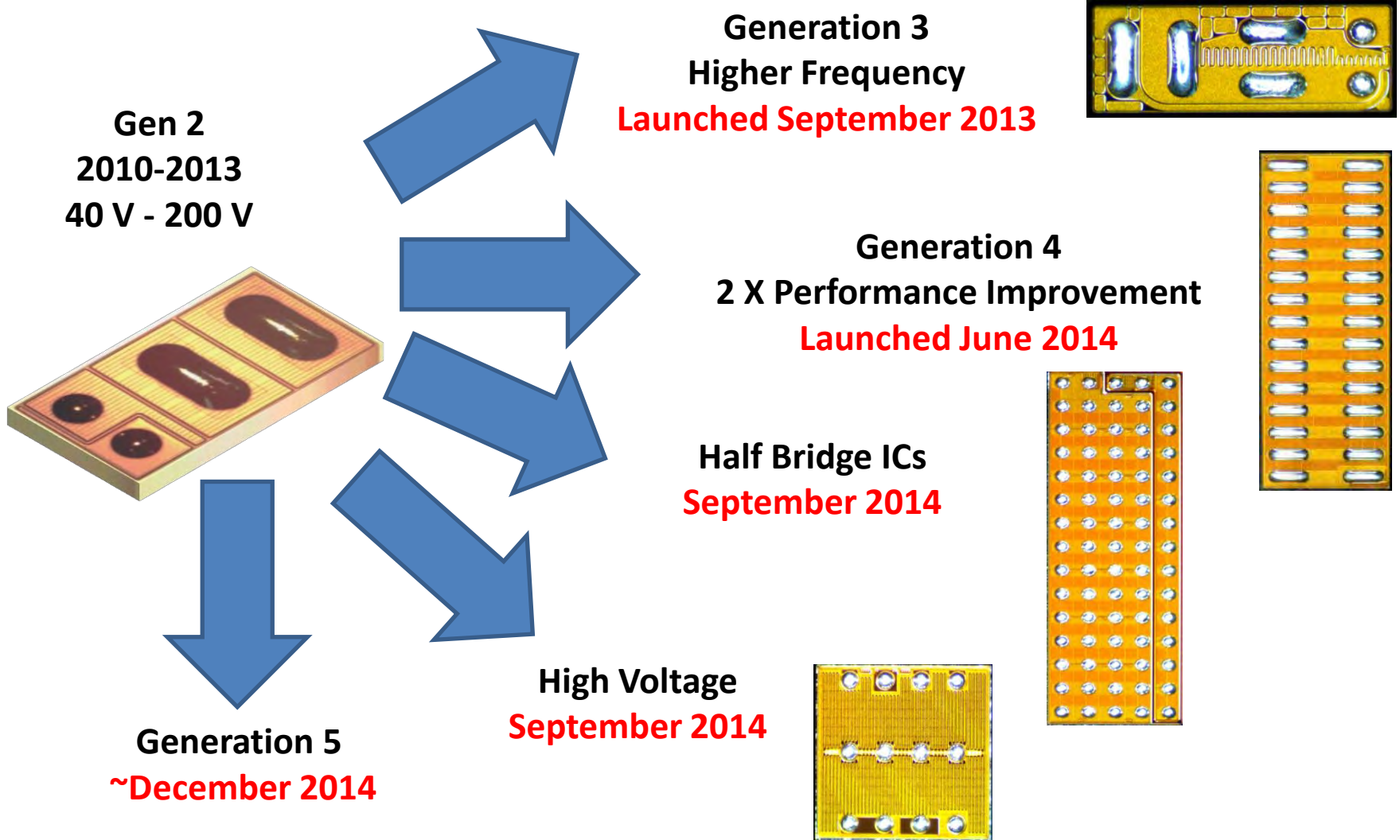
GaN Transistors – Giving New Life to Moore's Law

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Moore's Law Revival



Reliability

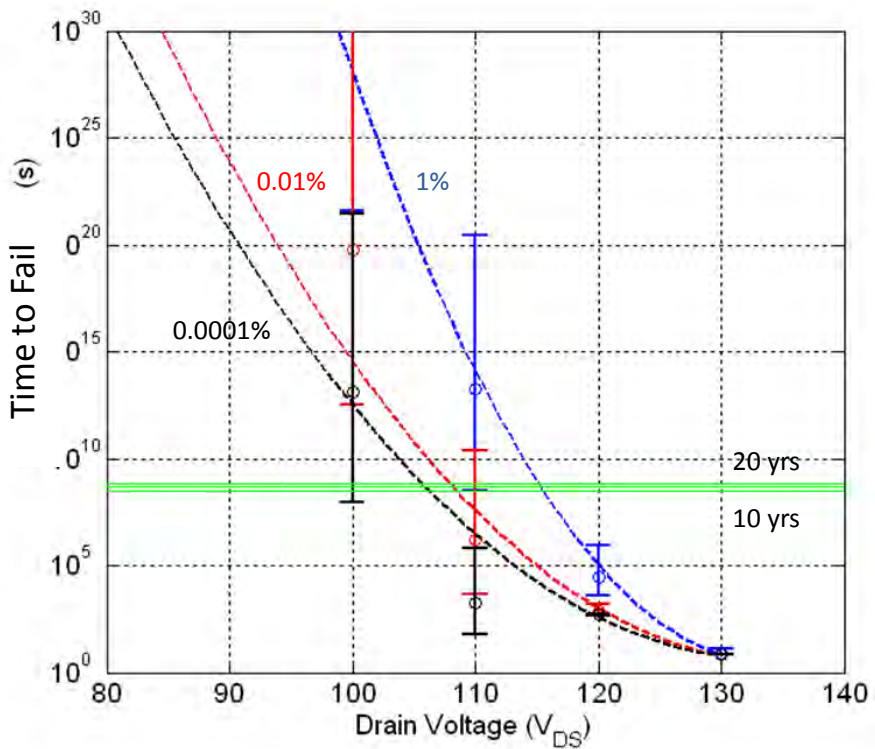
High Temp Reverse Bias (HTRB)



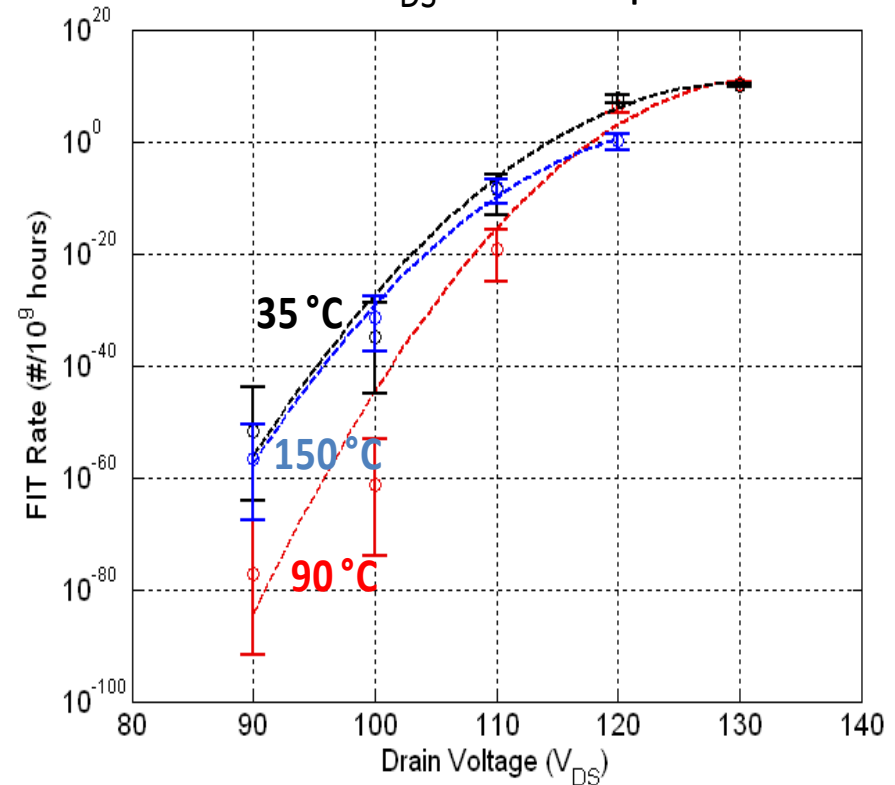
Part Number	Stress V_{DS} (V)	Temperature ($^{\circ}C$)	Sample Size	Results (# of fails)	Duration (Hrs)
EPC2001	80	150	207	0	500
EPC2001	80	150	144	0	168
EPC2001	80	150	80	0	1000
EPC2001	80	125	96	0	168
EPC2001	100	125	45	0	1000
EPC2016	80	150	239	0	500
EPC2016	100	150	80	0	168

- Over 0.5 million accumulated device hours of reliability testing without failure across 891 devices.

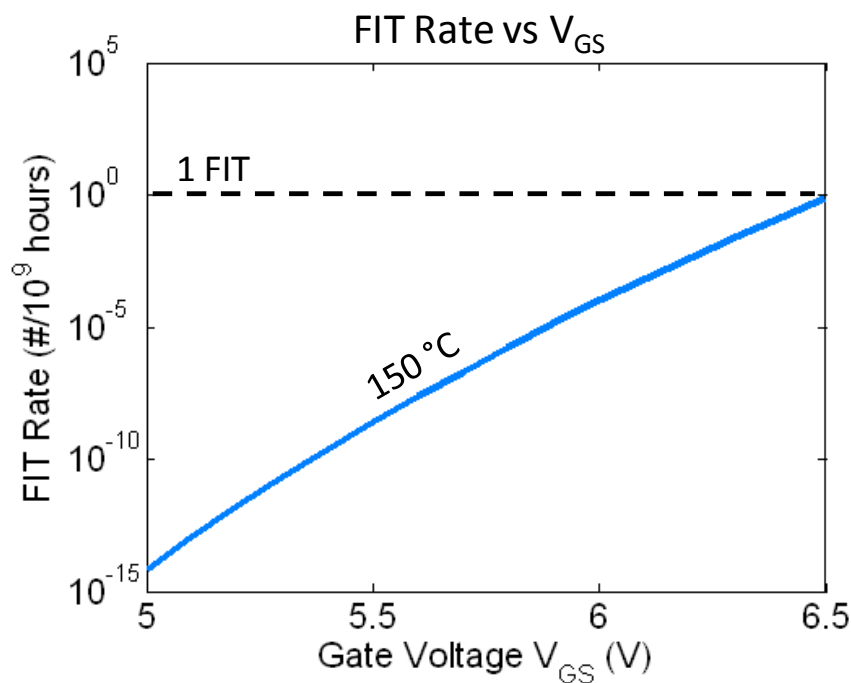
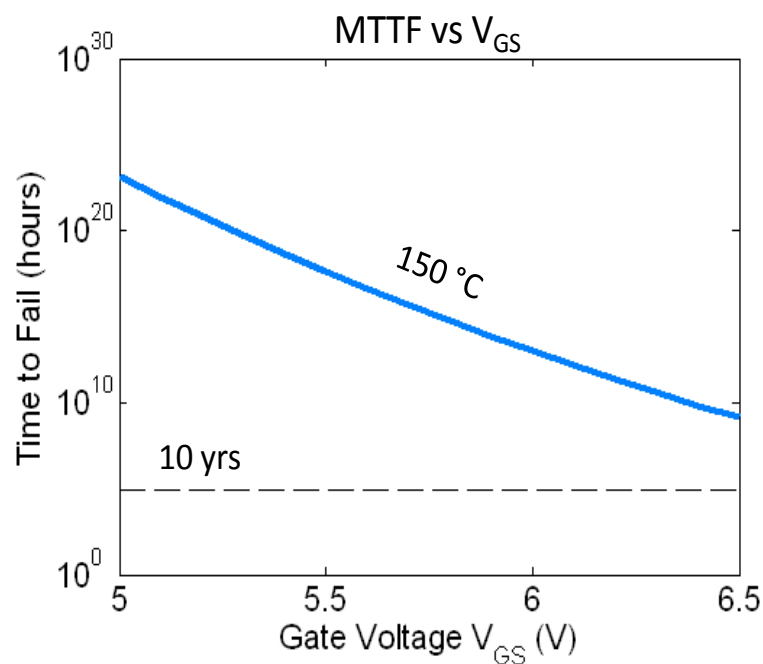
100 V HTRB Acceleration



FIT Rate vs V_{DS} and Temperature



HTGB Acceleration



High Temp Gate Bias (HTGB)



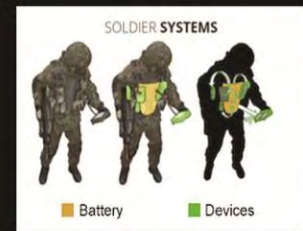
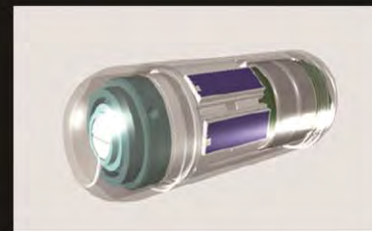
Part Number	Stress V_{GS} (V)	Temperature ($^{\circ}C$)	Sample Size	Results (# of fails)	Duration (Hrs)
EPC2001	5	150	48	0	168
EPC2001	5	125	167	0	168
EPC2001	5	150	192	0	500
EPC2001	5	150	125	0	1000
EPC2014	5	150	48	0	500
EPC2015	5	125	96	0	168
EPC2015	5	150	50	0	1000
EPC2001	5.5	150	48	0	168
EPC2001	5.5	150	208	0	500
EPC2016	5.5	150	80	0	168
EPC2016	5.5	150	80	0	500
EPC2001	5.75	150	96	0	168
EPC2001	5.75	125	32	0	168
EPC2001	5.75	125	48	0	181
EPC2001	5.75	125	64	0	200
EPC2001	5.75	150	240	0	500
EPC2001	5.75	125	32	0	500
EPC2016	5.75	90	32	0	200
EPC2016	5.75	150	32	0	350
EPC2016	5.75	150	240	0	500
EPC2019	5.75	150	160	0	168
EPC2001	6	125	24	0	181
EPC2001	6	150	32	0	200
EPC2001	6	150	80	0	437
EPC2001	6	150	32	0	500
EPC2001	6	125	32	0	500
EPC2016	6	90	32	0	200
EPC2016	6	150	32	0	350
EPC2001	6.3	150	32	0	200
EPC2016	6.3	150	32	0	200
EPC2016	6.3	90	32	0	200
EPC2016	6.6	150	32	0	200

- 0 fail in over 0.97 million accumulated device hours of HTGB reliability testing greater than 5V.
- 0 fail in over 0.6 million accumulated device hours of HTGB reliability testing greater than 5.5V.

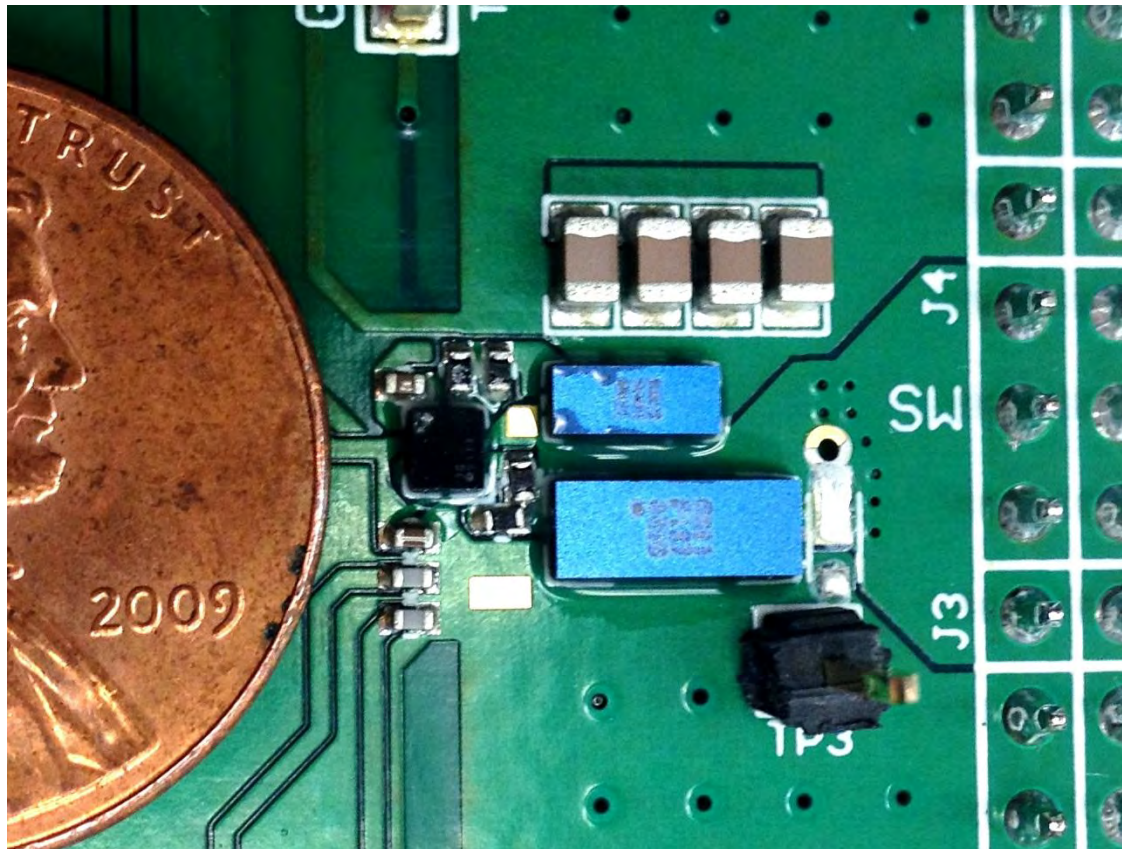
EPC

EFFICIENT POWER CONVERSION

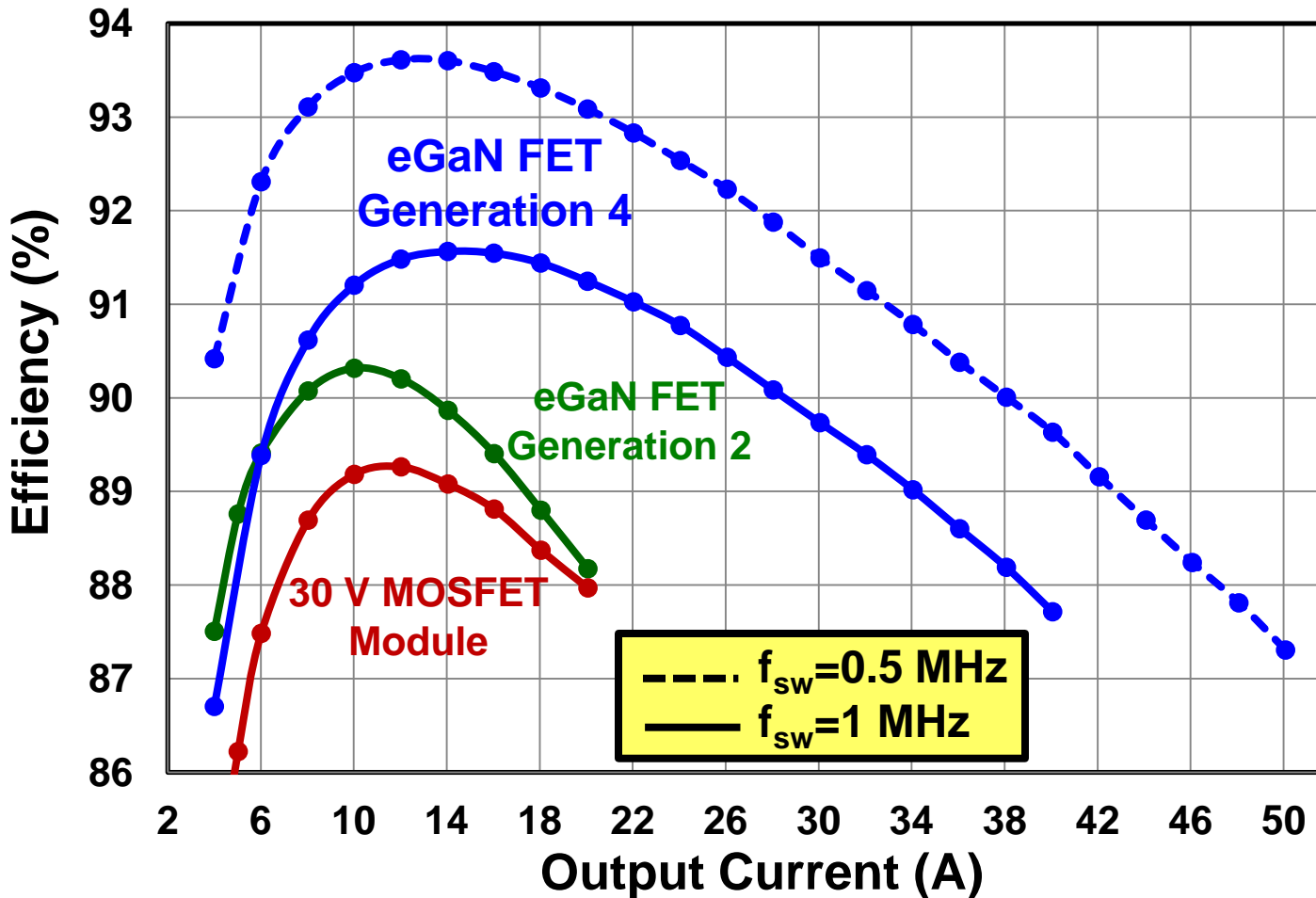
Where is GaN going...



Hard Switching Buck Converter

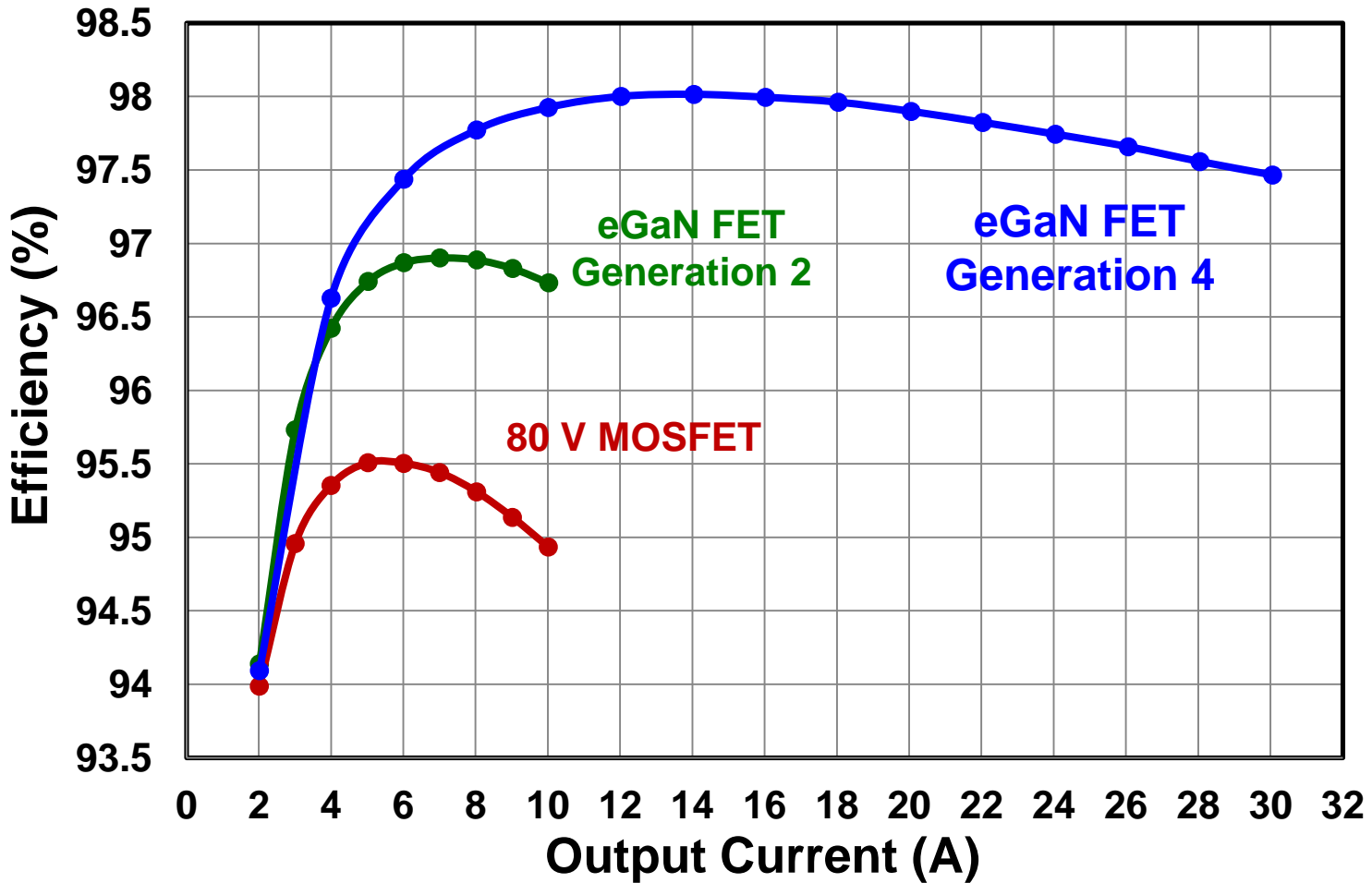


Low Voltage Buck Converter



$V_{IN}=12$ V $V_{OUT}=1.2$ V

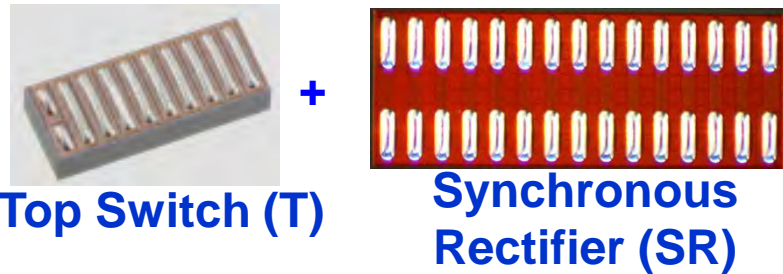
Higher Voltage Performance



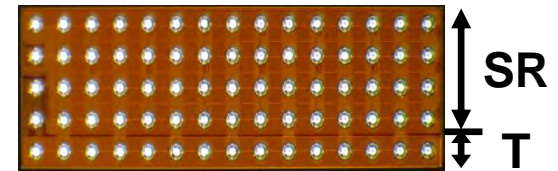
$V_{IN}=48\text{ V}$ $V_{OUT}=12\text{ V}$

GaN Integration

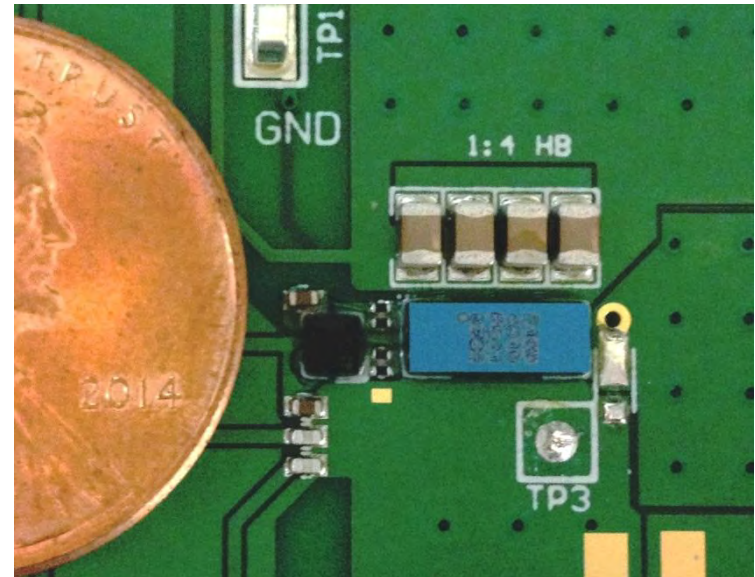
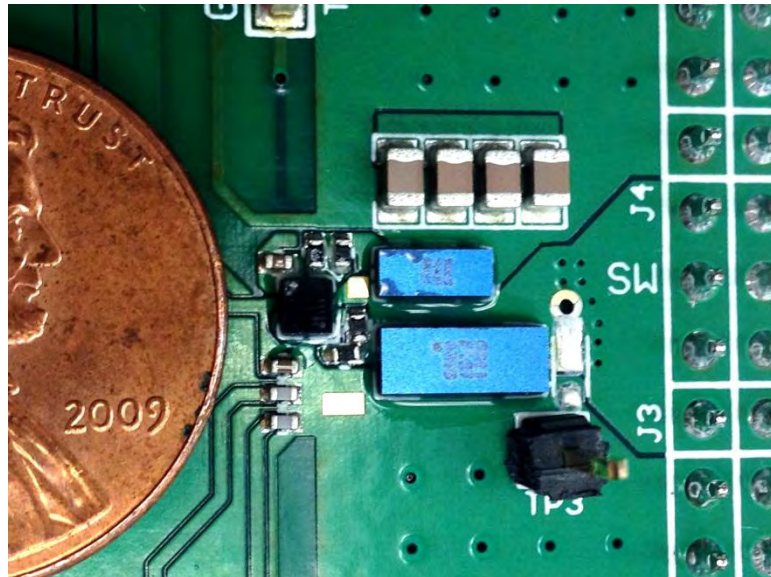
Generation 2/4 Discrete HB



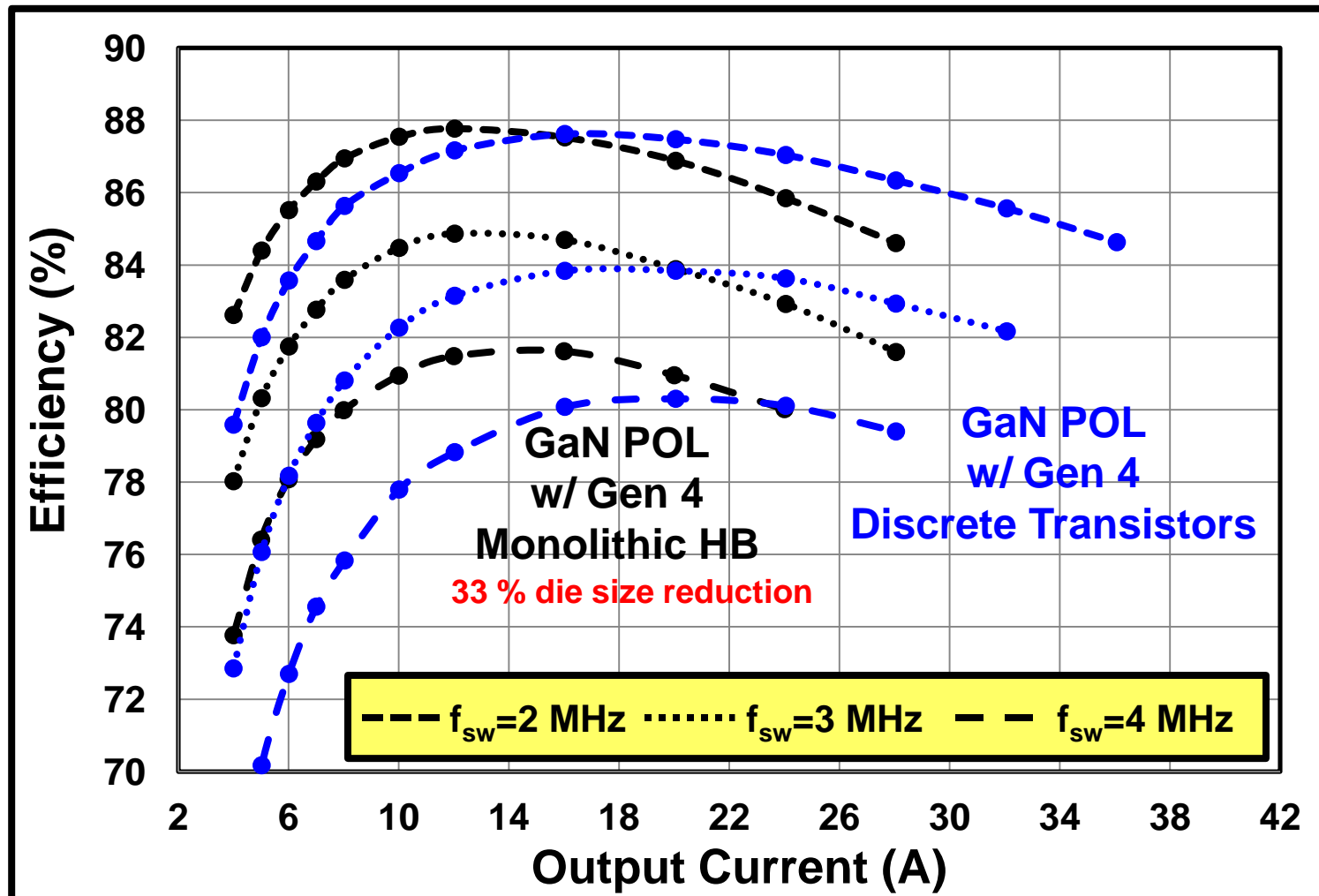
Generation 4 Monolithic 4:1 HB



33 % die size reduction



Monolithic Half Bridge



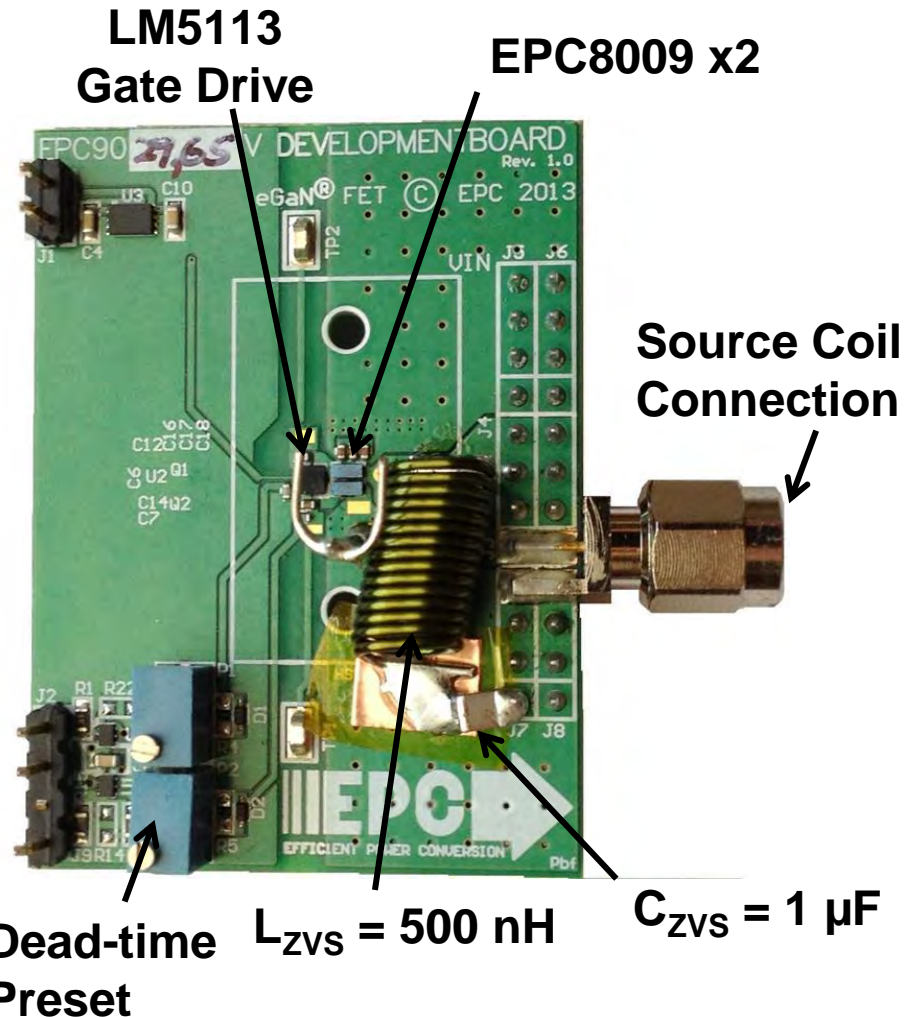
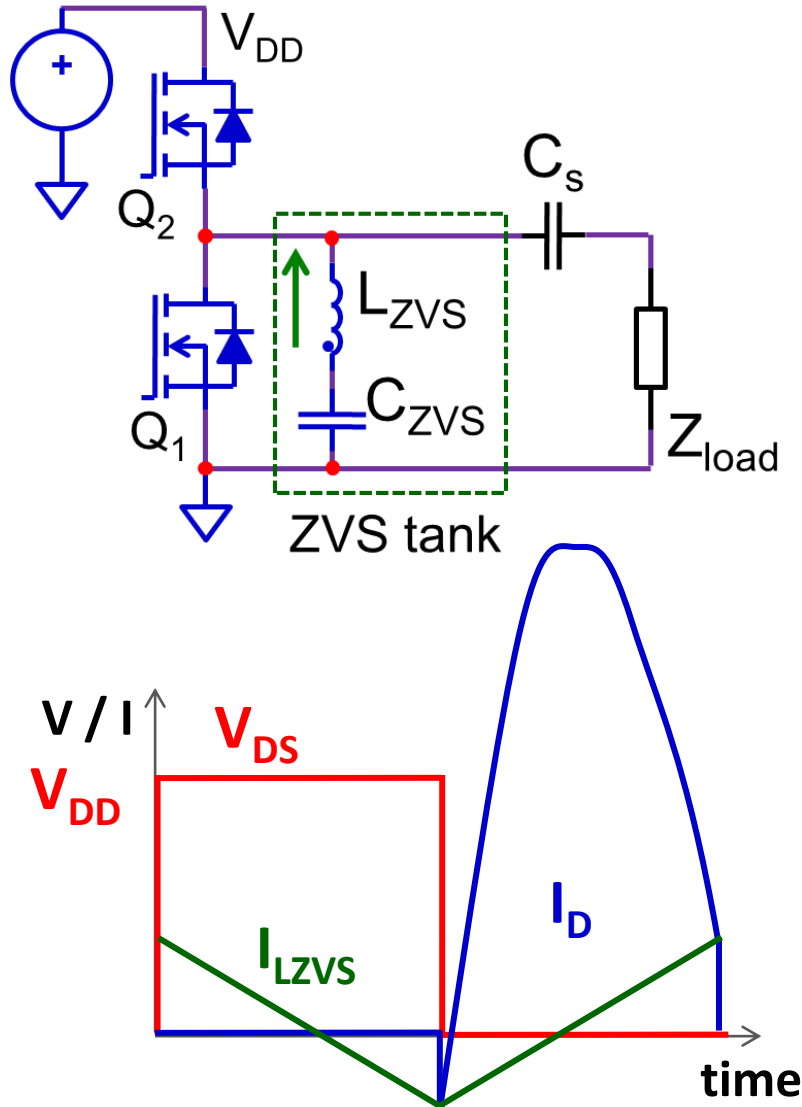
$V_{IN}=12\text{ V}$ $V_{OUT}=1.2\text{ V}$ $L=100\text{ nH}$

Wireless Power

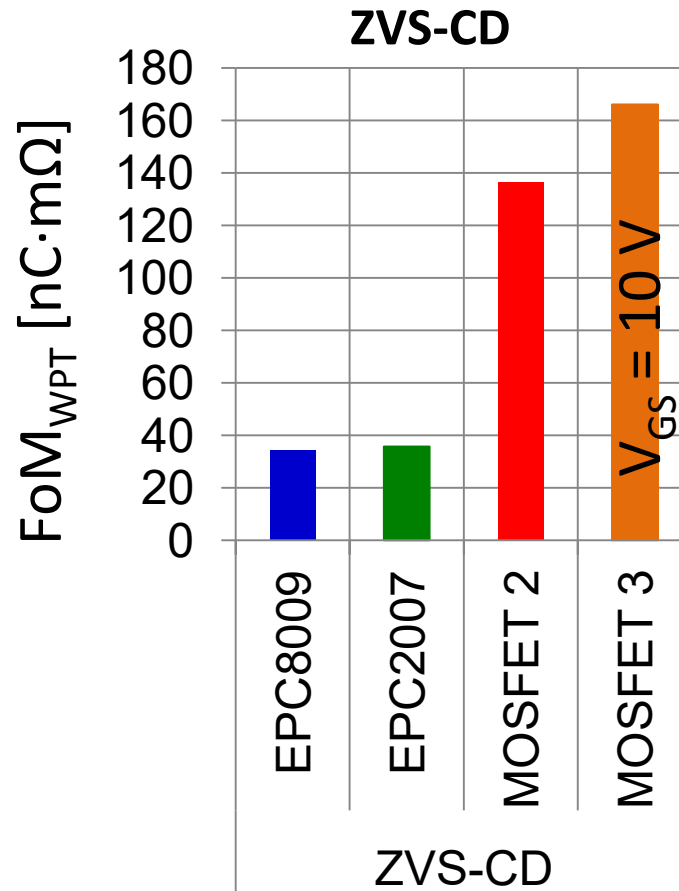


The global wireless charging market is estimated to grow to \$10B by 2018, a CAGR of 42.6%.

ZVS Class-D Power Amplifier



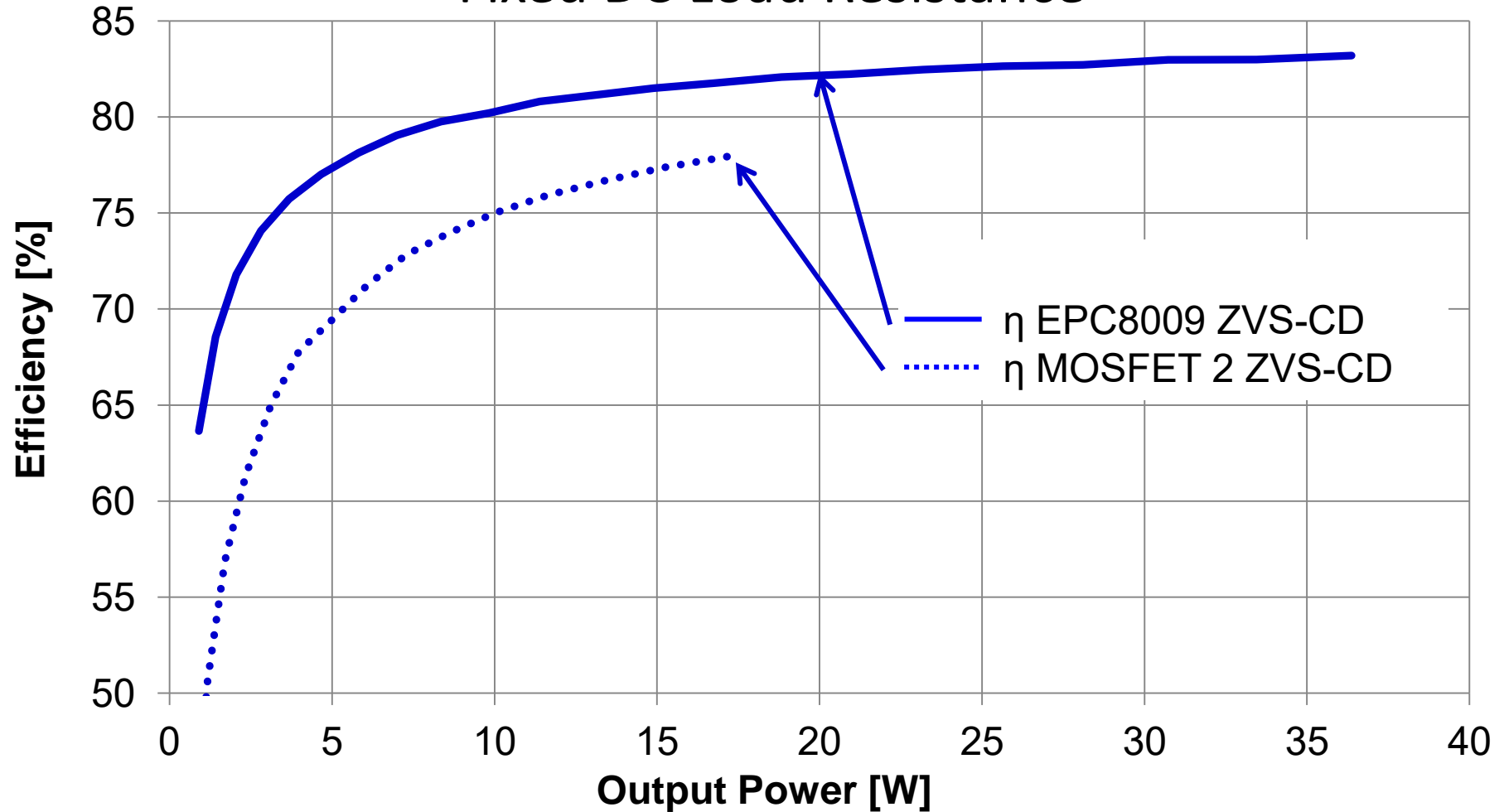
Device Comparison



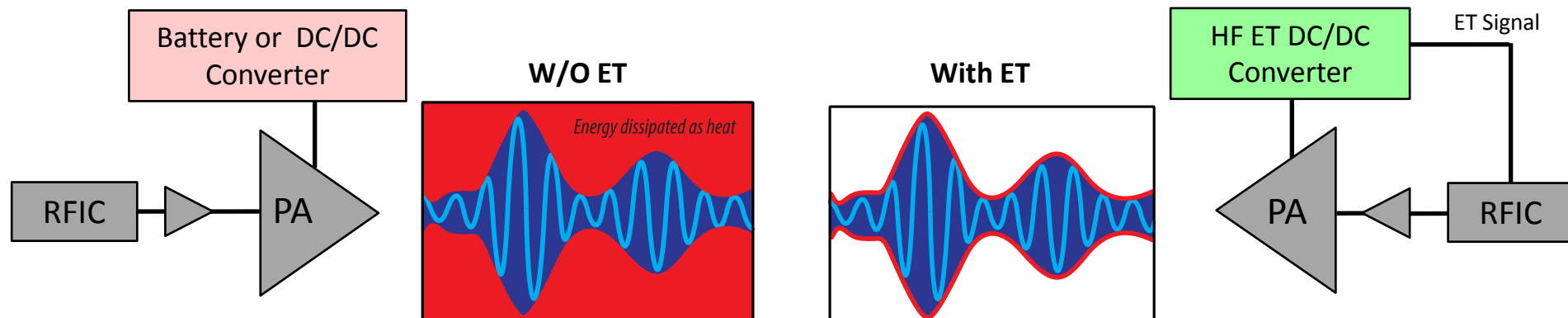
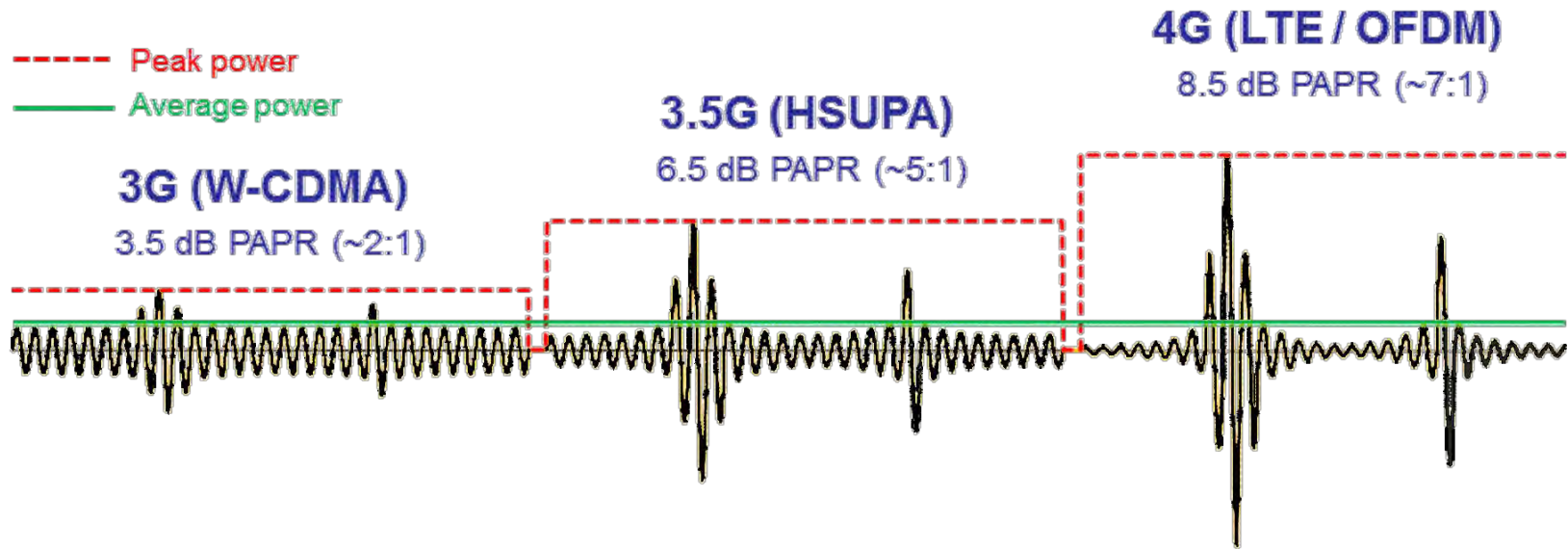
$$FOM_{WPT} = R_{DS(on)} \cdot (Q_G - Q_{GD})$$

Peak Performance Results

Variable Supply Voltage
Fixed DC Load Resistance

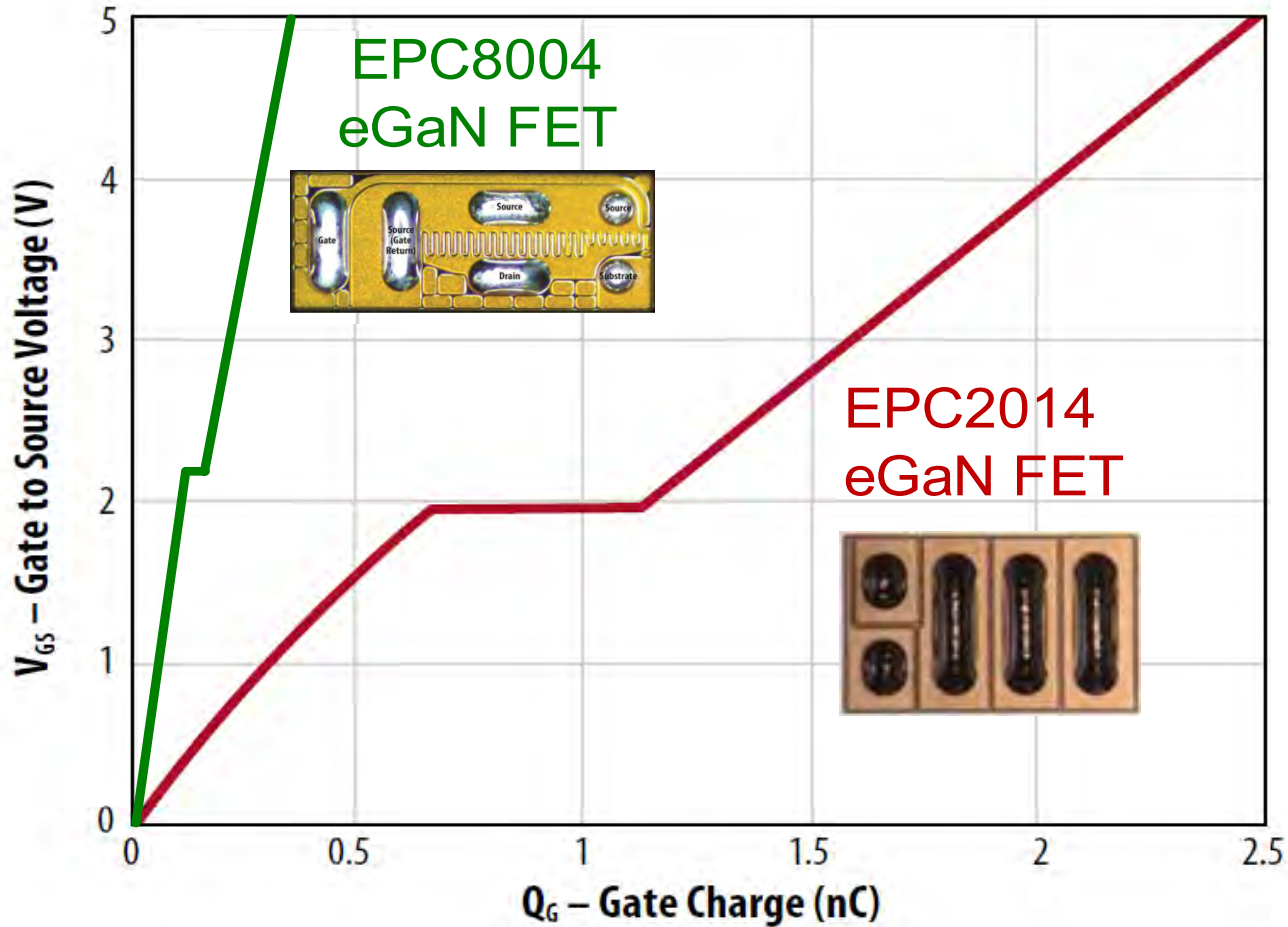


Envelope Tracking

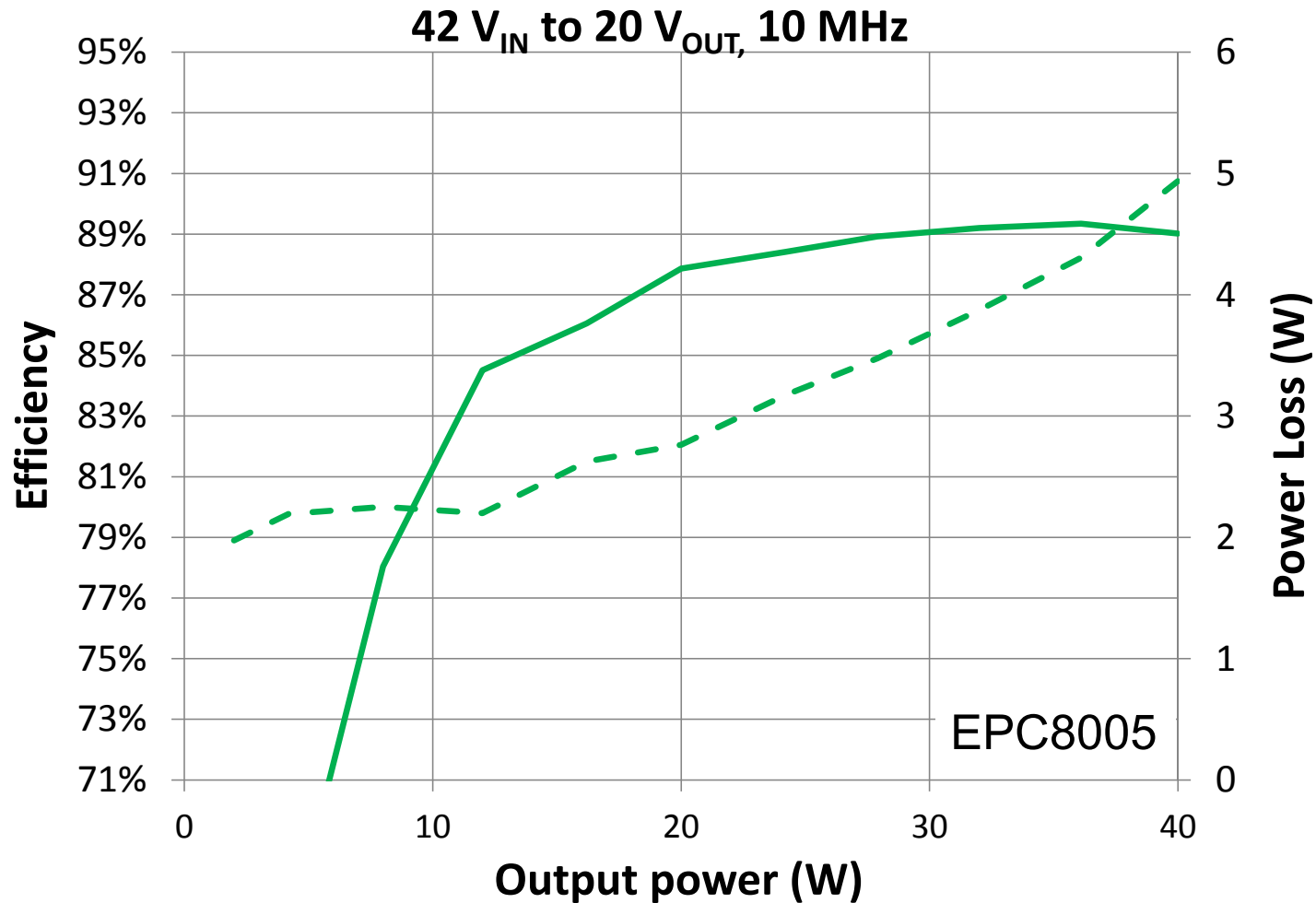


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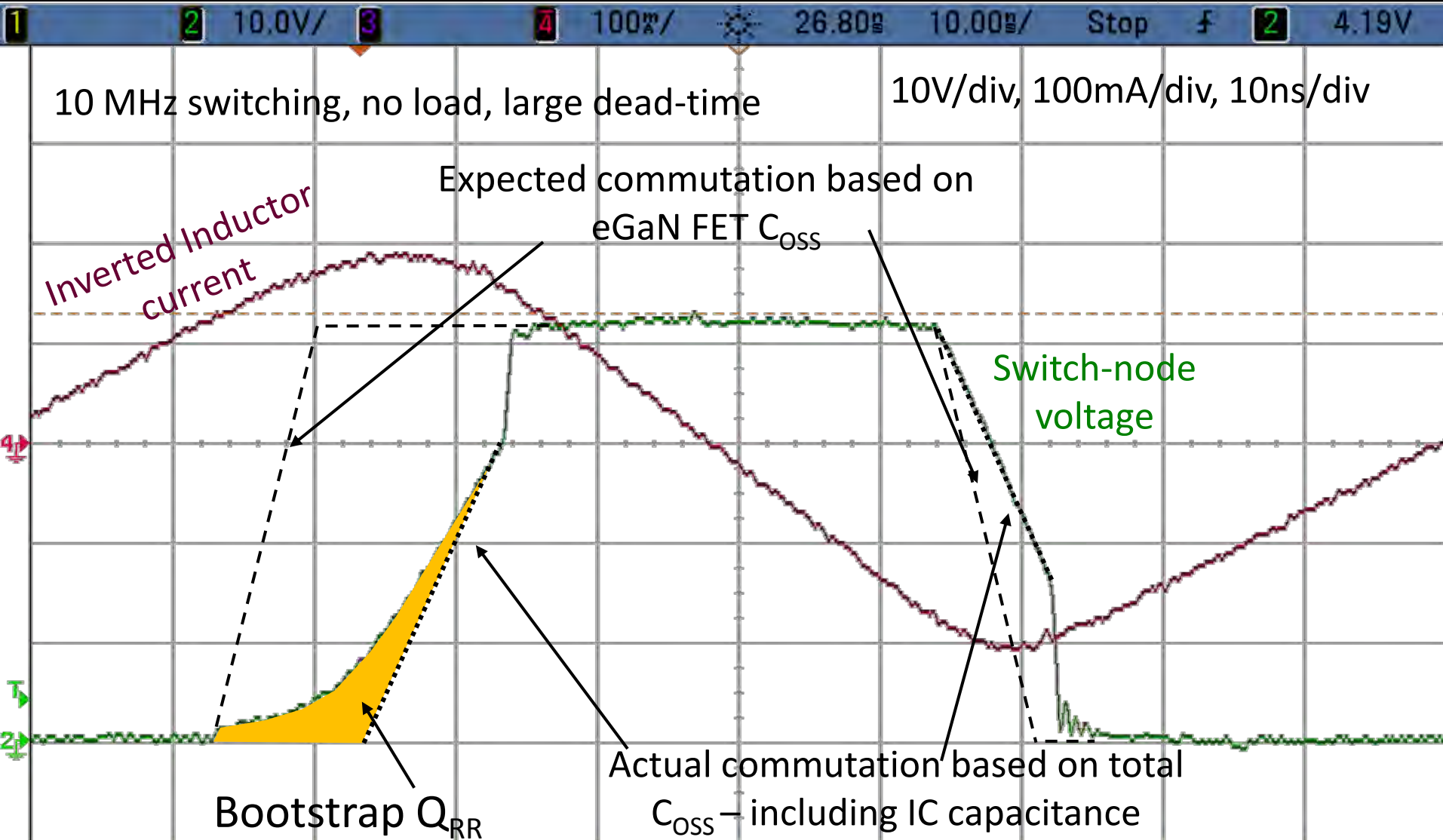
Very High Frequency eGaN FETs



Efficiency Results

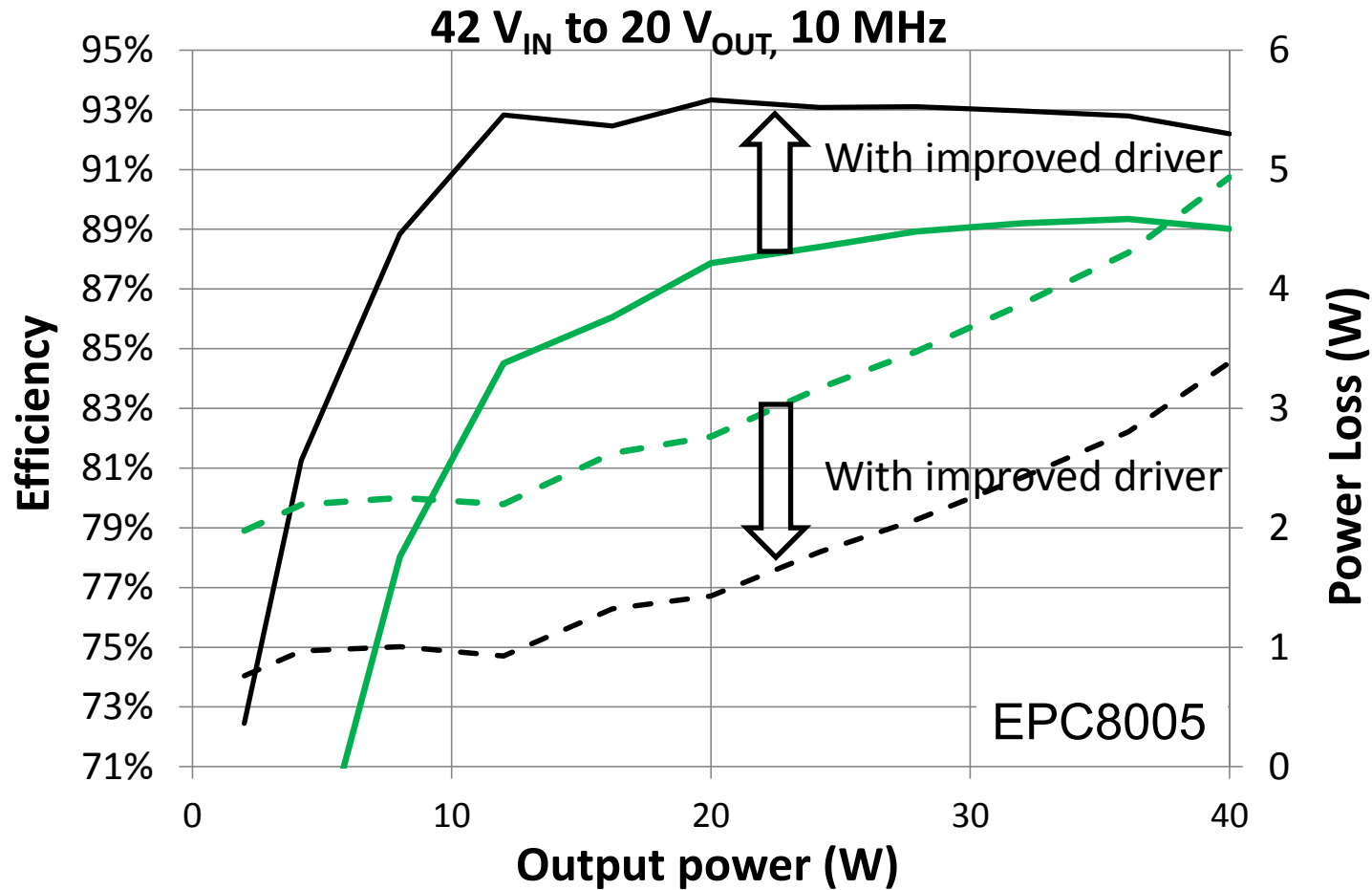


Switching Waveforms



Rise(2): 13.6ns Fall(2): 7.1ns Freq(2): No edges Max(2): 42.8V

Improving HF Performance



Other Key Applications

- LiDAR
- High Resolution MRI Imaging
- Network and Server Power Supplies
- AC Adapters
- Class-D Audio
- Energy Efficient Lighting
- Robotics

- GaN is a technology that, *for the first time in 60 years*, can both outperform and can be cost competitive with silicon devices.
- Improved gate driver ICs will greatly increase multi-megahertz system efficiencies.
- GaN technology is enabling whole new applications that will impact our daily lives and expand the overall market for semiconductors.



*The end of the road
for silicon.....*

*is the beginning of
the eGaN FET
journey!*