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ONLINE THERMAL SIMULATION

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As electronic devices become smaller while adding more functionality, thermal management is becoming an increasingly important design issue. Understanding the thermal characteristics of power MOSFETs is particularly significant for a wide range of systems.

Vishay's ThermaSim[™] is a free on-line tool that helps designers speed time to market by allowing detailed thermal simulations of Vishay Siliconix power MOSFETs to be performed before prototyping. Appropriate for any power MOSFET application, ThermaSim will be especially useful in high-current, high temperature applications such as automotive, fixed telecom systems and desktop and laptop computers.

In a first for on-line MOSFET simulation, ThermaSim's extensive model library uses structurally detailed models of Vishay Siliconix power MOSFETs created using Finite Element Analysis (FEA) techniques to increase simulation accuracy. The tool also allows designers to define other heat-dissipating components and simulate their effect on the MOSFET's thermal operation.

ThermaSim is available to registered users of Vishay.com and can be accessed from Vishay's website, on the MOSFET gateway: http://www.vishay.com/mosfets



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The Vishay Siliconix power MOSFET portfolio features devices in advanced thermal packaging including the PolarPAK[®] and the PowerPAK[®] families. PolarPAK is the first power MOSFET package to combine double-sided coolng with an industry standard leadframe and plastic encapsulation construction, ideal for increased power density applications with air flow. PowerPAK increases power density and is available in footprint / form factors ranging in size from SO-8 (5 mm x 6 mm) down to SC-75 (1.6 mm x 1.6 mm).

ThermaSim supports these thermal packages and all other Vishay Siliconix power MOSFET packages as well. For more information, see http://www.vishay.com/mosfets.



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Online Thermal Simulation for Power MOSFETs

Step 1: Select the Component

Select one or more devices for thermal simulation from a list of Vishay Siliconix power MOSFETs. You may define other heat-dissipating components that will be on the printed circuit board. The power specification tab allows you to input the power dissipation profile for these components.





Step 2: Construct the PCB

A pull-down menu allows you to choose from several standard types of printed circuit boards, or you can input individual specifications for PCB size, material, thickness, layers, vias, and copper spreading.





Step 3: Position the Components

Now place the components on the printed circuit board. First set the pad size for each component, then specify or drag and drop to move each component into place.

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Step 5: Setup and Save the Simulation Run Step 4: Define the Environmental System Next, define convection and simulation settings. The enclosed For the set-up of your simulation run, you can select between environment option will be offered in a future version of steady-state or transient runs, specify the desired accuracy level, and input the E-mail address to which results will be sent. This ThermaSim. page allows allows you to save configurations into a database. Load 1: Components >> 2: PCB >> 3: Position >> 4: System >> 5: Setup >> 6: Run Load 1: Components >> 2: PCB >> 3: Position >> 4: System >> 5: Setup >> 6: Run Infinite environment Enclosed environment Simulation settings: Output data selection: pcb Tmin Tmax SIE800DF Tmin Tmax Tdie Ttop Tbot Convection definition **Identify system** free convection temperature and gravity orientation z gravity Save configuration to database: air flow min temp) air flow config id PolarPAK 1 • max temp flow orientation. z to -z direction 🔻 die temp g normal velocity (m/s) 1 Save configuration top temp bot temp Set simulation accuracy Simulation settings: flux to PCB (vs. speed). steady state Apply () transient Define email address. initial time. 0 s final time. s **Choose simulation** Simulations can be saved Set output data time step. 0.01 $\,$ s for later use and modifications.



Step 6: Get the Results

Thermal images and temperature data results will be E-mailed to you directly in pdf and text form.

Temperature Data Results

Global Output Results								
Min Temp	Max Temp	Flux Inside PCB	Min PCB Temp	Max PCB Temp				
94.75°	139.95°	5.57 W	94.75°	138.21°				

MOSFET Temperature Data (SiE800DF)									
Min Temp	Max Temp	Die Temp	Top Temp	Bot Temp	Flux to PCB				
138.10°	145.79°	145.68°	145.72°	144.98°	2.44W				
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Thermal Image Example



Step 7: Analyze the Results

Download temperature txt data into Excel. You can run multiple simulations in which the product, package or other input data varies, then merge the results within Excel to compare and examine trends. We show four examples below, but the full range of possibilities is limited only by your imagination.





Step 7: Analyze the Results (Continued)



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Transient simulation results include a transient step and transient cycle temperature curves, and an MPEG (.mpg) video clip of the transient simulation.



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