

## Normally – OFF Silicon Carbide Junction Transistor

$V_{DS}$	=	600 V
$R_{DS(ON)}$	=	170 mΩ
$I_D (T_C = 25^\circ C)$	=	20 A
$h_{FE} (T_C = 25^\circ C)$	=	110

### Features

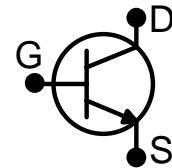
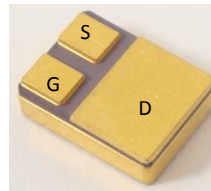
- 225°C maximum operating temperature
- Electrically Isolated Base Plate
- Gate Oxide Free SiC Switch
- Exceptional Safe Operating Area
- Excellent Gain Linearity
- Temperature Independent Switching Performance
- Low Output Capacitance
- Positive Temperature Coefficient of  $R_{DS,ON}$
- Suitable for Connecting an Anti-parallel Diode

### Advantages

- Compatible with Si MOSFET/IGBT Gate Drive ICs
- > 20 μs Short-Circuit Withstand Capability
- Lowest-in-class Conduction Losses
- High Circuit Efficiency
- Minimal Input Signal Distortion
- High Amplifier Bandwidth

### Package

- RoHS Compliant



SMD0.5 / TO – 276 (Hermetic Package)

### Applications

- Down Hole Oil Drilling
- Geothermal Instrumentation
- Solenoid Actuators
- General Purpose High-Temperature Switching
- Amplifiers
- Solar Inverters
- Switched-Mode Power Supply (SMPS)
- Power Factor Correction (PFC)

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### Section I: Absolute Maximum Ratings

Parameter	Symbol	Conditions	Values	Unit
Drain – Source Voltage	$V_{DS}$	$V_{GS} = 0 V$	600	V
Continuous Drain Current	$I_D$	$T_J = 225^\circ C, T_C = 25^\circ C$	20	A
Continuous Gate Current	$I_{GM}$		1.25	A
Turn-Off Safe Operating Area	RBSOA	$T_{VJ} = 225^\circ C, I_G = 1.25 A,$ Clamped Inductive Load	$I_{D,max} = 20$ @ $V_{DS} \leq V_{DSmax}$	A
Short Circuit Safe Operating Area	SCSOA	$T_{VJ} = 225^\circ C, I_G = 1.25 A, V_{DS} = 400 V,$ Non Repetitive	>20	μs
Reverse Gate – Source Voltage	$V_{GS}$		30	V
Reverse Drain – Source Voltage	$V_{DS}$		40	V
Power Dissipation	$P_{tot}$	$T_J = 225^\circ C, T_C = 25^\circ C$	200	W
Operating and Storage Temperature	$T_J, T_{stg}$		-55 to 225	°C

**Section II: Static Electrical Characteristics**

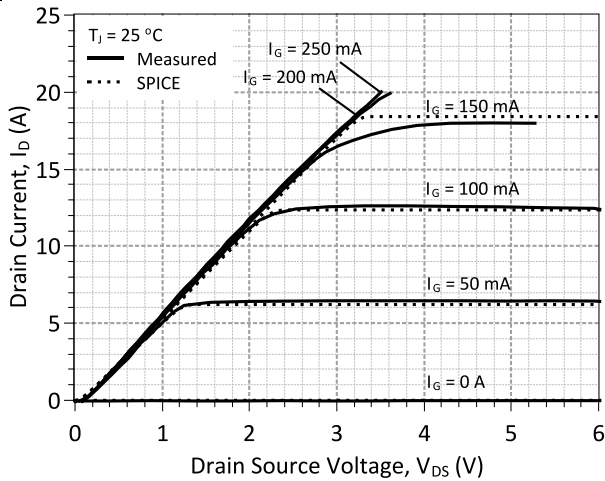
Parameter	Symbol	Conditions	Values			Unit
			min.	typ.	max.	
<b>A: On State</b>						
Drain – Source On Resistance	$R_{DS(ON)}$	$I_D = 7\text{ A}, T_j = 25\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$		170		m $\Omega$
		$I_D = 7\text{ A}, T_j = 175\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$		320		
		$I_D = 7\text{ A}, T_j = 220\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$		440		
Gate – Source Saturation Voltage	$V_{GS,SAT}$	$I_D = 10\text{ A}, I_D/I_G = 40, T_j = 25\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$		3.50		V
		$I_D = 10\text{ A}, I_D/I_G = 30, T_j = 175\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$		3.27		
DC Current Gain	$h_{FE}$	$V_{DS} = 5\text{ V}, I_D = 10\text{ A}, T_j = 25\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$	80	110		
		$V_{DS} = 5\text{ V}, I_D = 10\text{ A}, T_j = 220\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$	50	80		
<b>B: Off State</b>						
Drain Leakage Current	$I_{DSS}$	$V_R = 600\text{ V}, V_{GS} = 0\text{ V}, T_j = 25\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$		10	100	$\mu\text{A}$
		$V_R = 600\text{ V}, V_{GS} = 0\text{ V}, T_j = 175\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$		40	400	
		$V_R = 600\text{ V}, V_{GS} = 0\text{ V}, T_j = 220\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$		100	600	
<b>C: Thermal</b>						
Thermal resistance, junction - case	$R_{thJC}$			1.0		$^\circ\text{C/W}$

**Section III: Dynamic Electrical Characteristics**

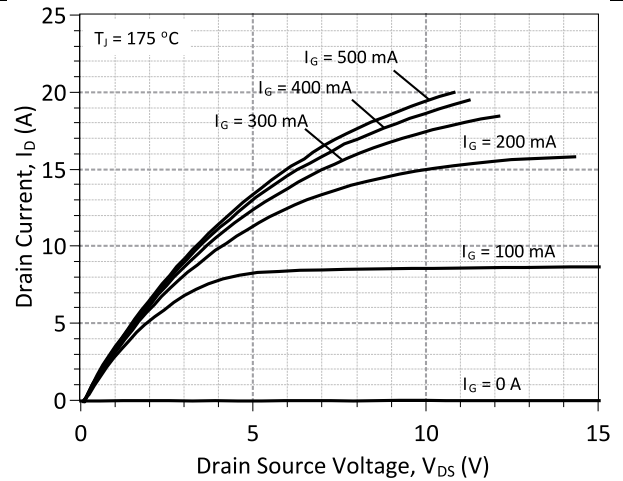
Parameter	Symbol	Conditions	Values			Unit	
			min.	typ.	max.		
<b>A: Capacitance and Gate Charge</b>							
Input Capacitance	$C_{iss}$	$V_{GS} = 0\text{ V}, V_D = 500\text{ V}, f = 1\text{ MHz}$		685		pF	
Reverse Transfer/Output Capacitance	$C_{rss}/C_{oss}$	$V_D = 500\text{ V}, f = 1\text{ MHz}$		24		pF	
Output Capacitance Stored Energy	$E_{OSS}$	$V_{GS} = 0\text{ V}, V_D = 500\text{ V}, f = 1\text{ MHz}$		3.1		$\mu\text{J}$	
Effective Output Capacitance, time related	$C_{oss,tr}$	$I_D = \text{constant}, V_{GS} = 0\text{ V}, V_{DS} = 0\dots 400\text{ V}$		50		pF	
Effective Output Capacitance, energy related	$C_{oss,er}$	$V_{GS} = 0\text{ V}, V_{DS} = 0\dots 400\text{ V}$		37		pF	
Gate-Source Charge	$Q_{GS}$	$V_{GS} = -5\dots 3\text{ V}$		11		nC	
Gate-Drain Charge	$Q_{GD}$	$V_{GS} = 0\text{ V}, V_{DS} = 0\dots 400\text{ V}$		20		nC	
Gate Charge - Total	$Q_G$			31		nC	
<b>B: Switching</b>							
Turn On Delay Time	$t_{d(on)}$	$T_j = 175\text{ }^\circ\text{C}, V_{DS} = 400\text{ V}, I_D = 7\text{ A}, \text{Inductive Load}$ Refer to Section V for additional driving information.		10		ns	
Rise Time	$t_r$			30		ns	
Turn Off Delay Time	$t_{d(off)}$			75		ns	
Fall Time	$t_f$			40		ns	
Turn-On Energy Per Pulse	$E_{on}$			35		$\mu\text{J}$	
Turn-Off Energy Per Pulse	$E_{off}$			65		$\mu\text{J}$	
Total Switching Energy	$E_{ts}$			100		$\mu\text{J}$	
Turn On Delay Time	$t_{d(on)}$		$T_j = 225\text{ }^\circ\text{C}, V_{DS} = 400\text{ V}, I_D = 7\text{ A}, \text{Inductive Load}$ Refer to Section V for additional driving information.		10		ns
Rise Time	$t_r$				30		ns
Turn Off Delay Time	$t_{d(off)}$				75		ns
Fall Time	$t_f$			60		ns	
Turn-On Energy Per Pulse	$E_{on}$			45		$\mu\text{J}$	
Turn-Off Energy Per Pulse	$E_{off}$			80		$\mu\text{J}$	
Total Switching Energy	$E_{ts}$			125		$\mu\text{J}$	

**Section IV: Figures**

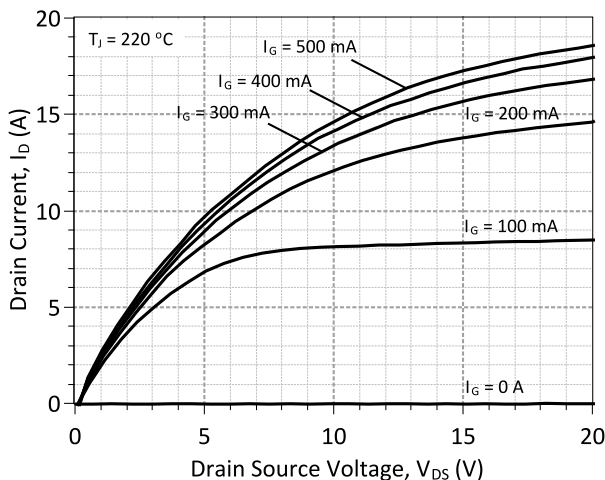
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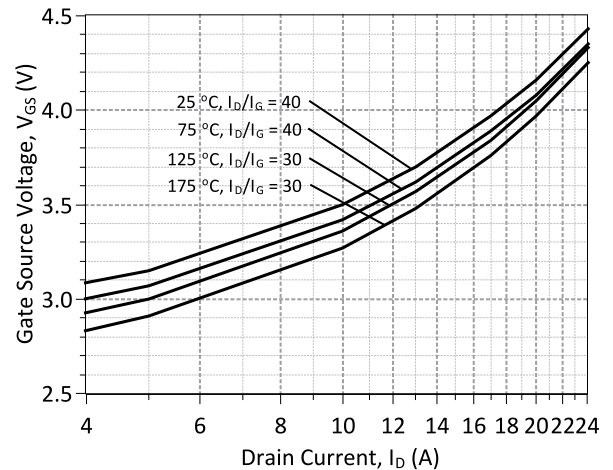
**Figure 1: Typical Output Characteristics at 25 °C**



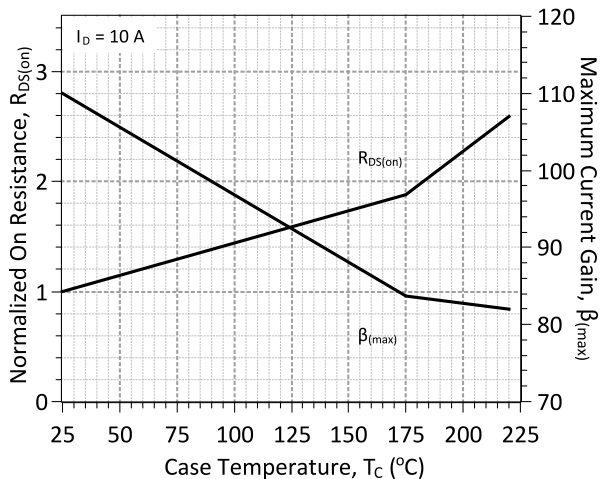
**Figure 2: Typical Output Characteristics at 175 °C**



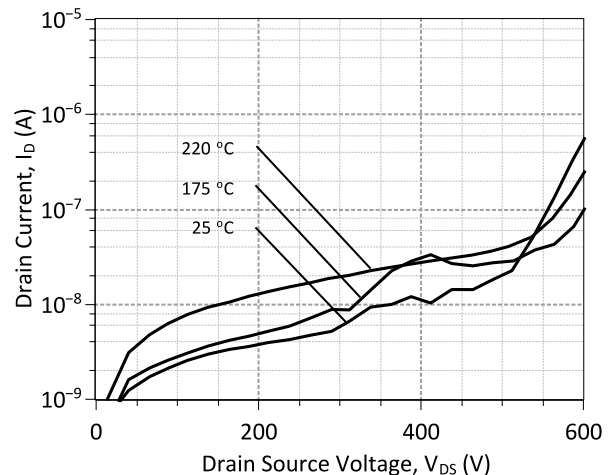
**Figure 3: Typical Output Characteristics at 220 °C**



**Figure 4: Typical Gate – Source Saturation Voltage**

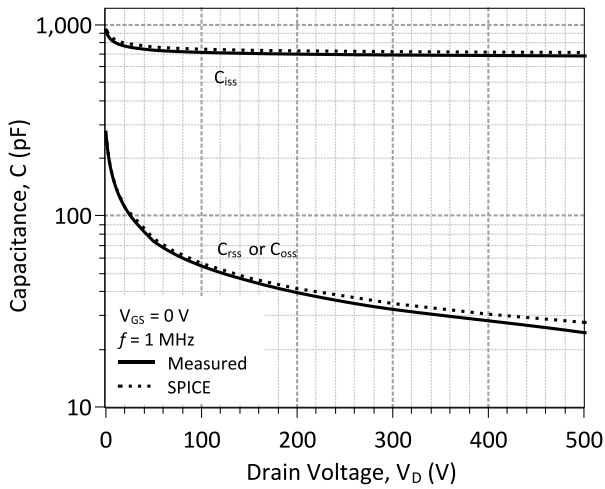


**Figure 5: Normalized On-Resistance and Current Gain vs. Temperature**

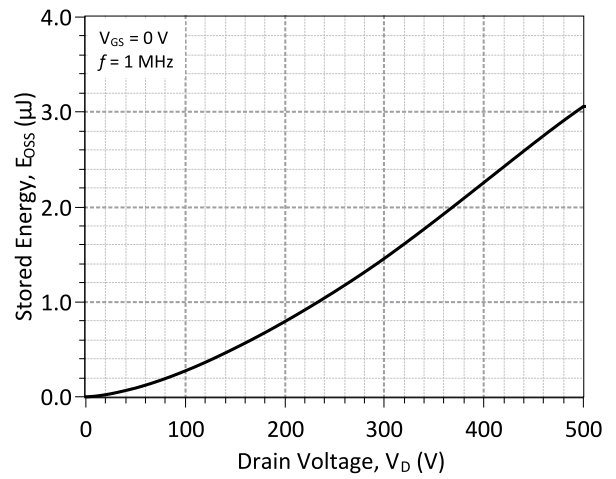


**Figure 6: Typical Blocking Characteristics**

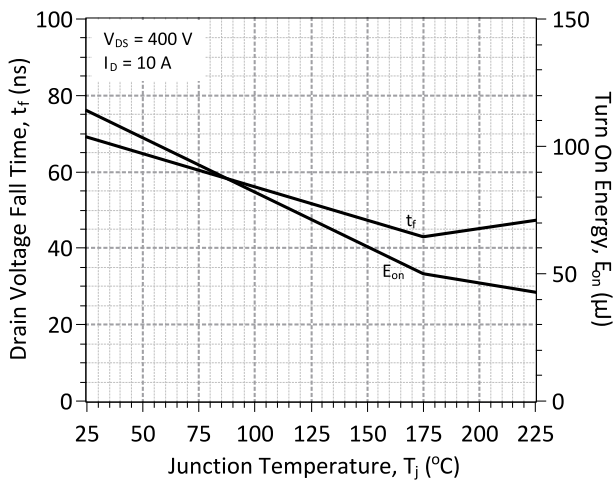
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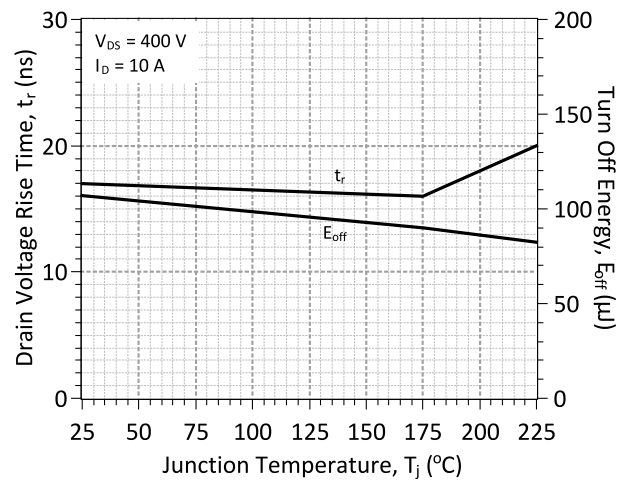
**Figure 7: Capacitance Characteristics**



**Figure 8: Output Capacitance Stored Energy**



**Figure 9: Typical Turn On Energy Losses and Switching Times vs. Temperature**



**Figure 10: Typical Turn Off Energy Losses and Switching Times vs. Temperature**

### Section V: Driving the 2N7638-GA

The 2N7638-GA is a current controlled SiC transistor which requires a positive gate current for turn-on and to remain in on-state. It may be driven by different drive topologies depending on the intended application.

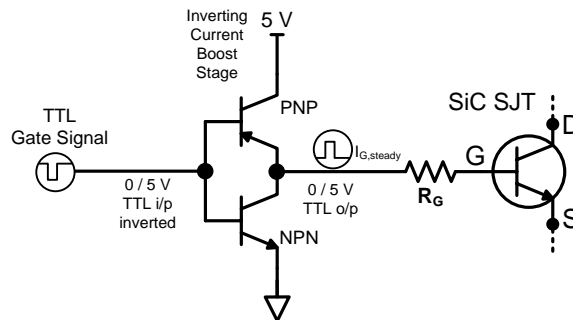
**Table 1: Estimated Power Consumption and switching frequencies for various Gate Drive topologies.**

Drive Topology	Gate Drive Power Consumption	Switching Frequency
Simple TTL	High	Low
Constant Current	Medium	Medium
High Speed – Boost Capacitor	Medium	High
High Speed – Boost Inductor	Low	High
Proportional	Lowest	Medium
Pulsed Power	Medium	N/A

#### A: Simple TTL Drive

The 2N7638-GA may be driven by 5 V TTL logic using a simple current amplification stage. The current amplifier output current must meet or exceed the steady state gate current,  $I_{G,steady}$ , required to operate the 2N7638-GA. An external gate resistor  $R_G$ , shown in the Figure 11 topology, sets  $I_{G,steady}$  to the required level which is dependent on the SJT drain current  $I_D$  and DC current gain  $h_{FE}$ .  $R_G$  may be calculated from the equation below. The value of  $V_{EC,sat}$  can be taken from the PNP datasheet, a partial list of high-temperature PNP and NPN transistors options is given below. High-temperature MOSFETs may also be used in the topology.

$$R_{G,max} = \frac{(5.0\text{ V} - V_{EC,sat}(PNP) - V_{GS,sat}(SJT)) * h_{FE}(T, I_D)}{I_D * 1.5}$$



**Figure 11: Simple TTL Gate Drive Topology**

**Table 2: Partial List of High-Temperature BJTs for TTL Gate Driving**

BJT Part Number	Type	T <sub>j,max</sub> (°C)
PHPT60603PY	PNP	175
PHPT60603NY	NPN	175
2N2222	NPN	200
2N6730	PNP	200
2N2905	PNP	200
2N5883	PNP	200
2N5885	NPN	200

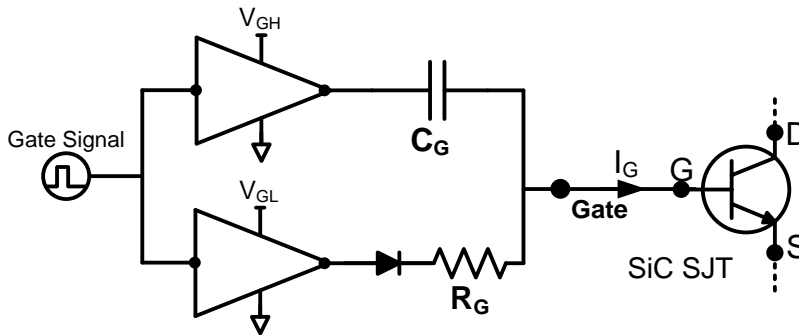
**B: High Speed Driving**

For ultra high speed 2N7638-GA switching ( $t_r, t_f < 20$  ns) while maintaining low gate drive losses the supplied gate current should include a positive current peak during turn-on, a negative voltage peak during turn-off, and continuous gate current  $I_G$  to remain on.

An SJT is rapidly switched from its blocking state to on-state, when the necessary gate charge for turn-on,  $Q_G$ , is supplied by a burst of high gate current until the gate-source capacitance,  $C_{GS}$ , and gate-drain capacitance,  $C_{GD}$ , are fully charged. Ideally, the burst should terminate when the drain voltage has fallen to its on-state value in order to avoid unnecessary drive losses. A negative voltage peak is recommended for the turn-off transition in order to ensure that the gate current is not being supplied under high  $dV/dt$  due to the Miller effect. While satisfactory turn off can be achieved with  $V_{GS} = 0$  V, a negative  $V_{GS}$  value may be used in order to speed up the turn-off transition.

**B:1: High Speed, Low Loss Drive with Boost Capacitor**

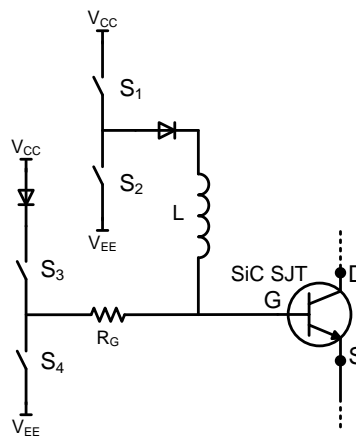
The 2N7638-GA may be driven using a High Speed, Low Loss Drive with Boost Capacitor topology in which multiple voltage levels, a gate resistor, and a gate capacitor are used to provide current peaks at turn-on and turn-off for fast switching and a continuous gate current while in on-state. As shown in Figure 12, in this topology two gate driver ICs are utilized. An external gate resistor  $R_G$  is driven by a low voltage driver to supply the continuous gate current throughout on-state, and a gate capacitor  $C_G$  is driven at a higher voltage level to supply a high current peak at turn-on and turn-off. A 3 kV isolated evaluation gate drive board (GA03IDDJT30-FR4) from GeneSiC Semiconductor utilizing this topology is commercially available for high and low-side driving, its datasheet provides additional details about this drive topology.



**Figure 12: High Speed, Low Loss Drive with Boost Capacitor Topology**

**B:2: High Speed, Low Loss Drive with Boost Inductor**

A High Speed, Low-Loss Driver with Boost Inductor is also capable of driving the 2N7638-GA at high-speed. It utilizes a gate drive inductor instead of a capacitor to provide the high-current gate current pulses  $I_{G,on}$  and  $I_{G,off}$ . During operation, inductor  $L$  is charged to a specified  $I_{G,on}$  current value then made to discharge  $I_L$  into the SJT gate pin using logic control of  $S_1, S_2, S_3$ , and  $S_4$ , as shown in Figure 13. After turn on, while the device remains on the necessary steady state gate current  $I_{G,steady}$  is supplied from source  $V_{CC}$  through  $R_G$ . Please refer to the article "A current-source concept for fast and efficient driving of silicon carbide transistors" by Dr. Jacek Rąbkowski for additional information on this driving topology.<sup>3</sup>



**Figure 13: High Speed, Low-Loss Driver with Boost Inductor Topology**

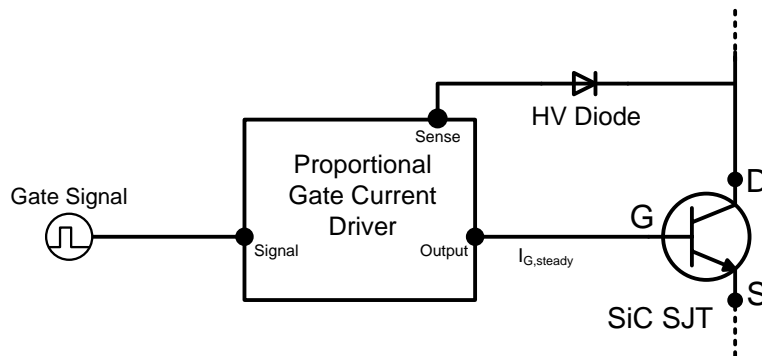
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**C: Proportional Gate Current Driving**

A proportional gate drive topology may be beneficial for applications in which the 2N7638-GA will operate over a wide range of drain current conditions to lower the gate drive power consumption. A proportional gate driver relies on instantaneous drain current  $I_D$  feedback to vary the steady state gate current  $I_{G,steady}$  supplied to the 2N7638-GA.

**C:1: Voltage Controlled Proportional Driver**

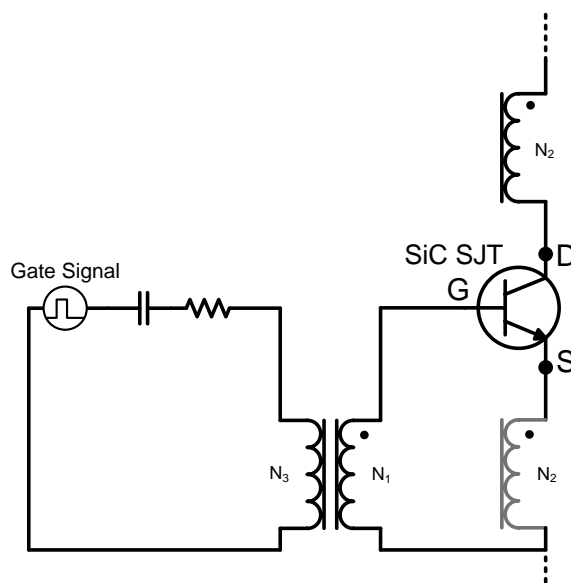
A voltage controlled proportional driver relies on a gate drive integrated circuit to detect the 2N7638-GA drain-source voltage  $V_{DS}$  during on-state to sense  $I_D$ . The integrated circuit will then increase or decrease  $I_G$  in response to  $I_D$ . This allows  $I_G$  and gate drive power consumption to reduce while  $I_D$  is low or for  $I_G$  to increase when  $I_D$  increases. A high voltage diode connected between the drain and sense protects the integrated circuit from high-voltage when blocking. A simplified version of this topology is shown in Figure 14. Additional information will be available in the future at <http://www.genesicsemi.com/references/product-notes/>.



**Figure 14: Simplified Voltage Controlled Proportional Driver**

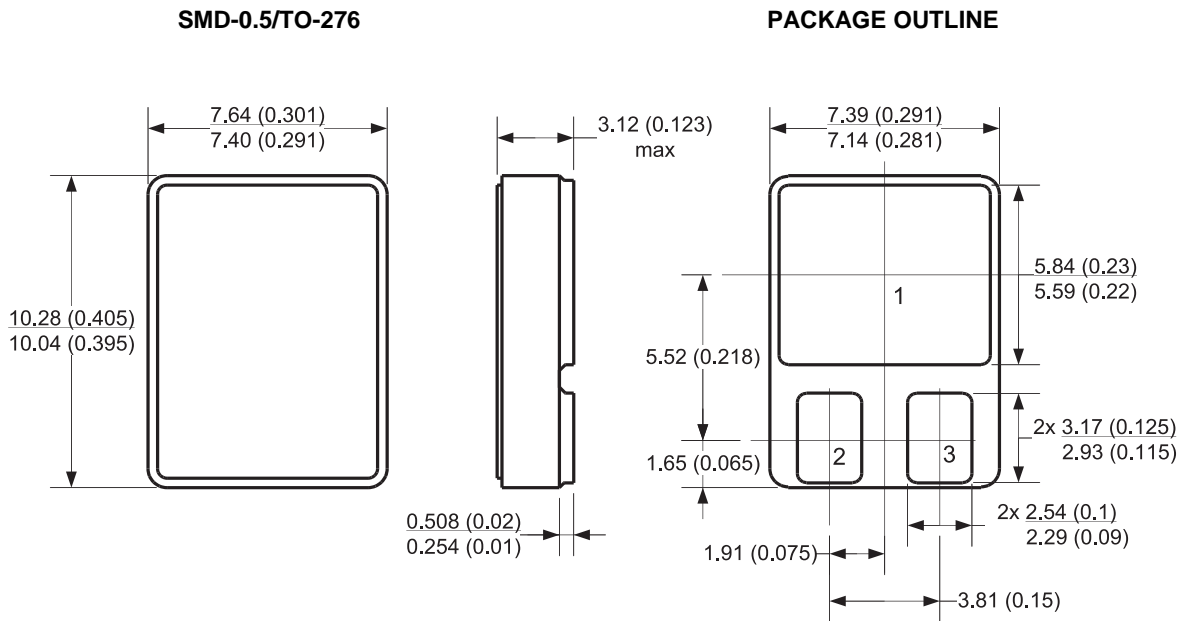
**C:2: Current Controlled Proportional Driver**

The current controlled proportional driver relies on a low-loss transformer in the drain or source path to provide feedback of the 2N7638-GA drain current during on-state to supply  $I_{G,steady}$  into the gate.  $I_{G,steady}$  will increase or decrease in response to  $I_D$  at a fixed forced current gain which is set by the turns ratio of the transformer,  $h_{force} = I_D / I_G = N_2 / N_1$ . 2N7638-GA is initially tuned-on using a gate current pulse supplied into an RC drive circuit to allow  $I_D$  current to begin flowing. This topology allows  $I_{G,steady}$  and the gate drive power consumption to reduce while  $I_D$  is relatively low or for  $I_{G,steady}$  to increase when  $I_D$  increases. A simplified version of this topology is shown in Figure 15. Additional information will be available in the future at <http://www.genesicsemi.com/references/product-notes/>.



**Figure 15: Simplified Current Controlled Proportional Driver**

**Section VI: Package Dimensions:**



- NOTE**
1. CONTROLLED DIMENSION IS INCH. DIMENSION IN BRACKET IS MILLIMETER.
  2. DIMENSIONS DO NOT INCLUDE END FLASH, MOLD FLASH, MATERIAL PROTRUSIONS

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**Section VII: SPICE Model Parameters**

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