

# Visualization of noise current distribution in power module

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# Self-introduction

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# Outline

- Introduction
- Switching noise
  - Difference among device type in frequency spectrum
  - Time and frequency analysis of EMI noise
  - Noise generation and propagation in power module
- Conclusion





# Introduction

## Requirement for power electronics

- High power density
- High reliability
- **Wide-bandgap power semiconductor devices (Si $\rightarrow$ SiC, GaN,...)**
- High voltage, Large current
- Fast & High frequency switching

## **Large di/dt, dv/dt × parasitic components**

- Voltage spike
- High-frequency ringing oscillation
- **EMI noise problem**
- Minimize parasitic inductance of wiring pattern
- Optimize electro thermal packaging design

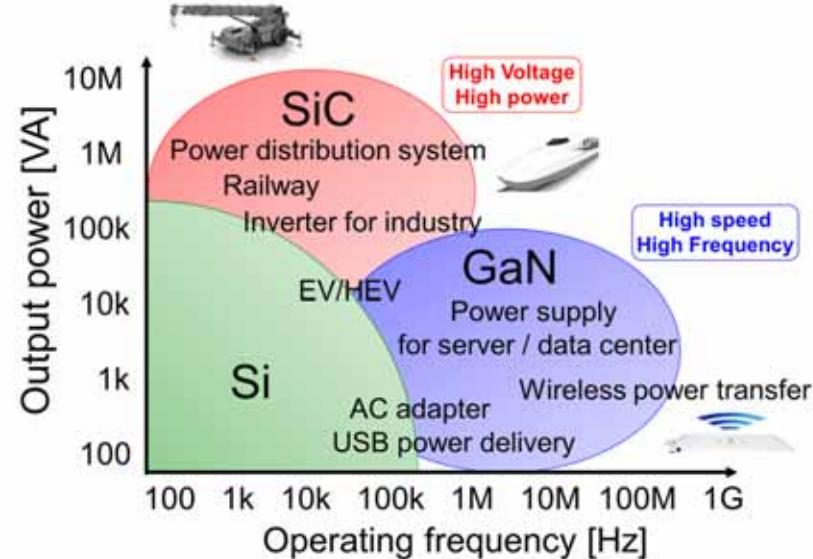
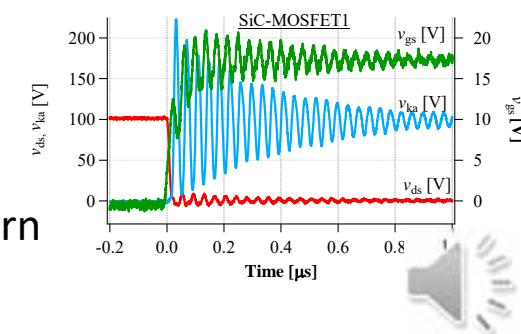
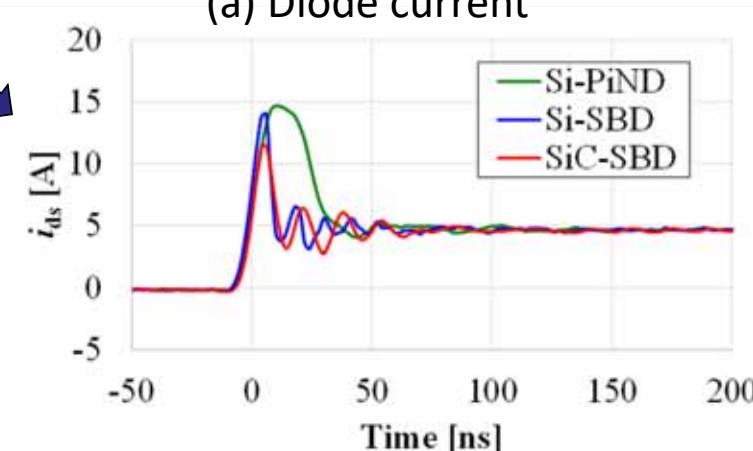
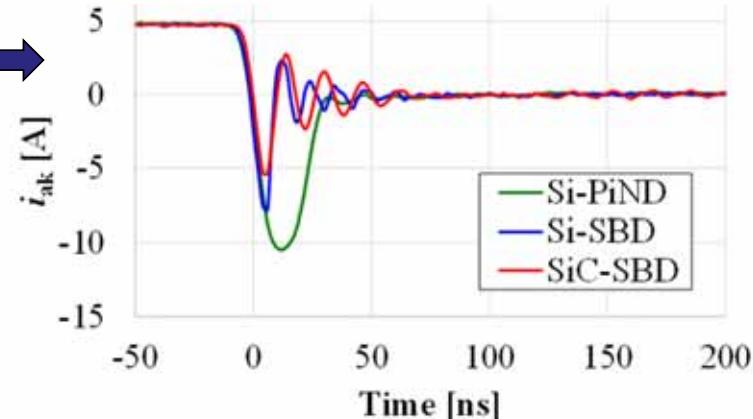
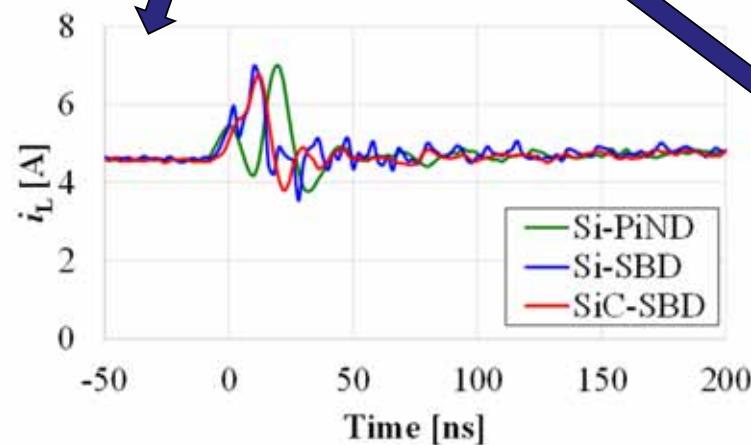
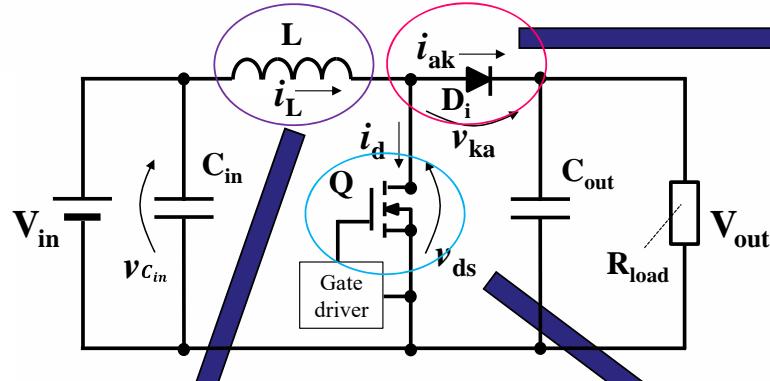


Fig. Expected application map  
for SiC/GaN power device

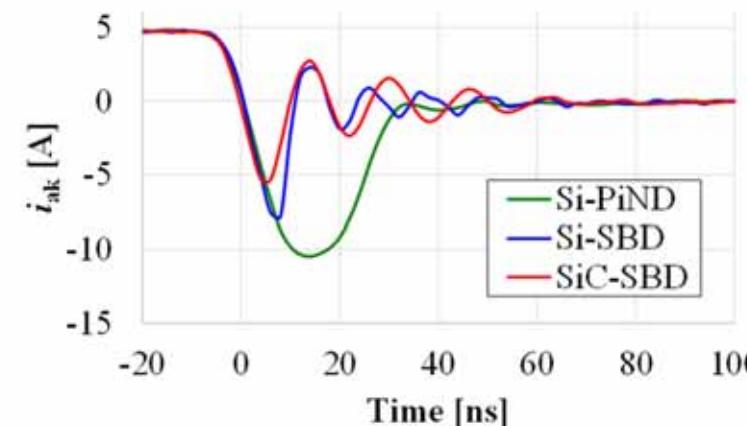
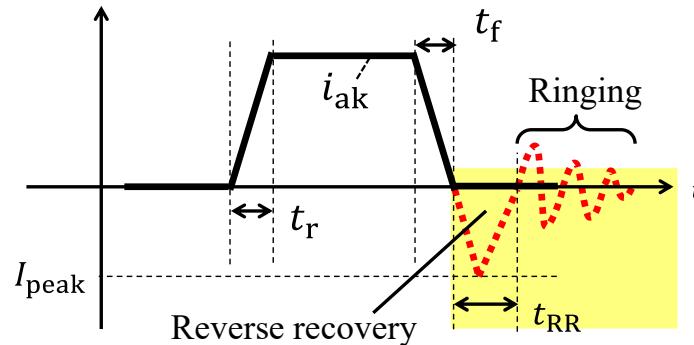


# Current behavior at diode turn-off

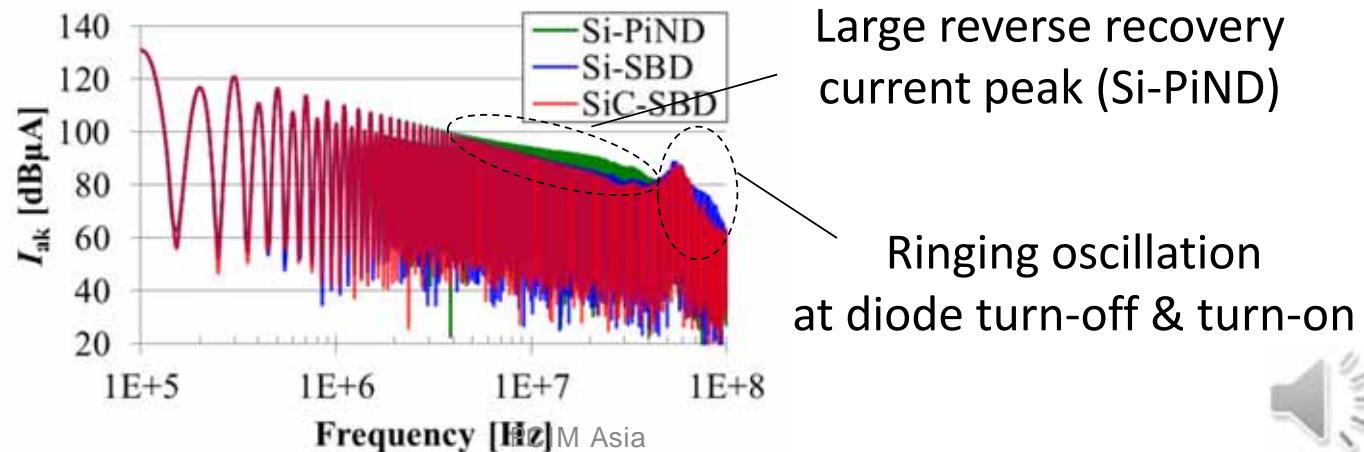


# Noise current spectrum diode type dependency

## Time-domain waveform

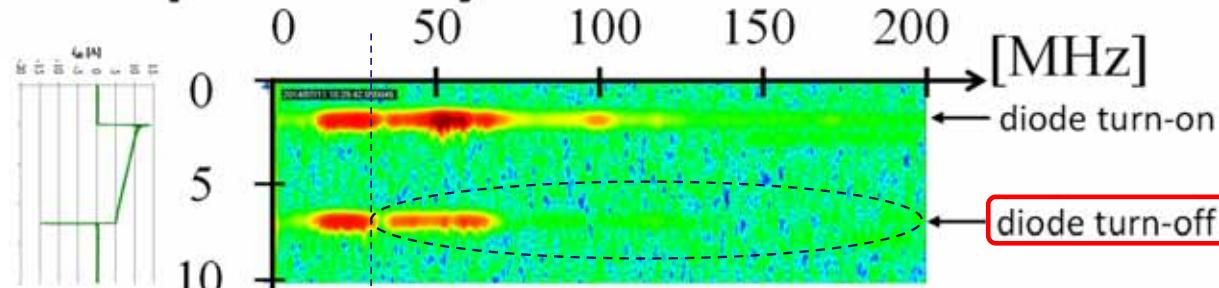


## Fourier spectrum of diode current

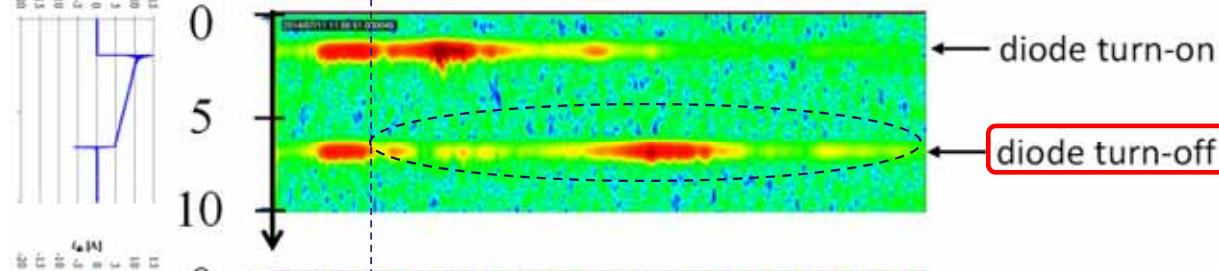


# Spectrogram of conducted emission Diode type dependency

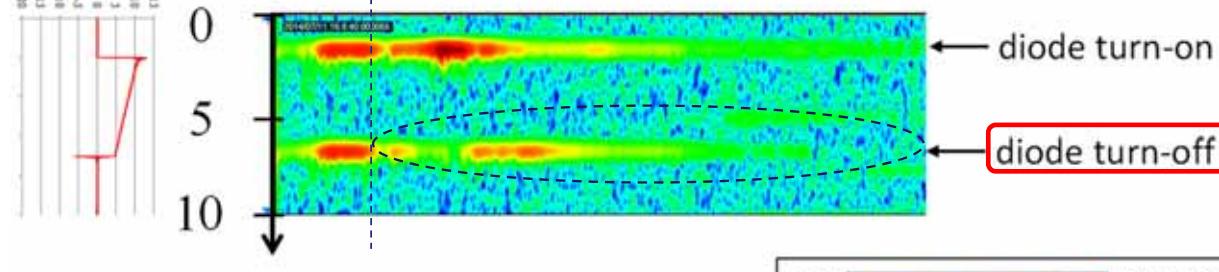
Si-PiND



Si-SBD



SiC-SBD

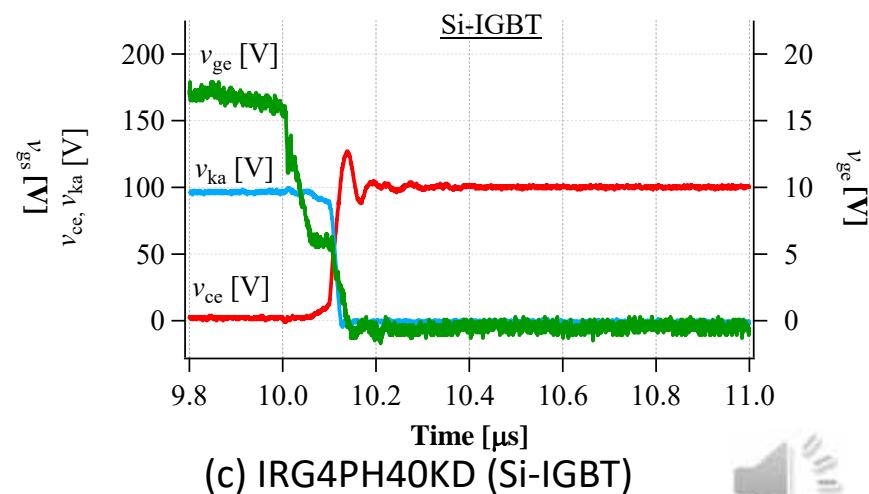
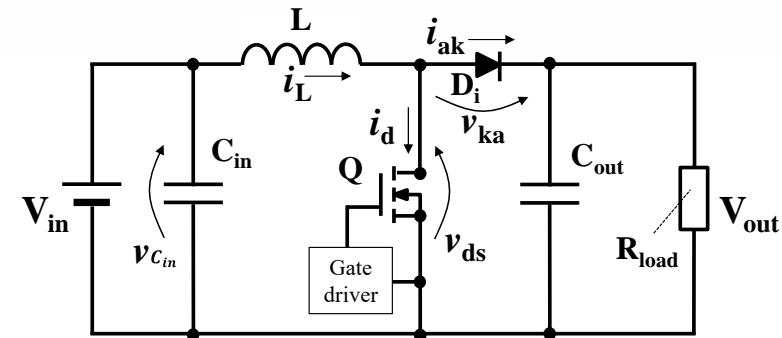
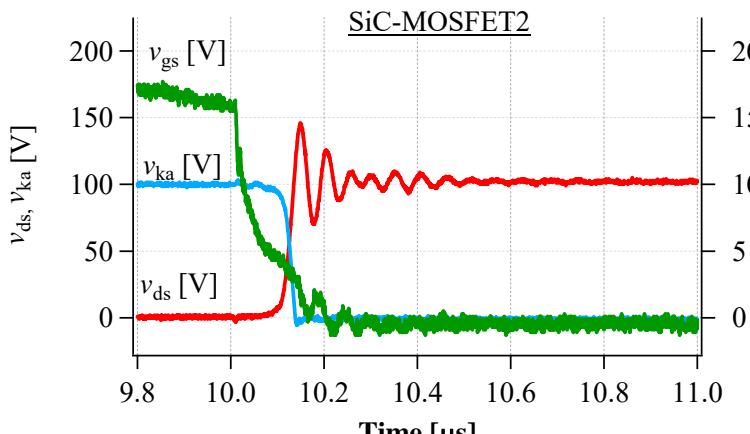
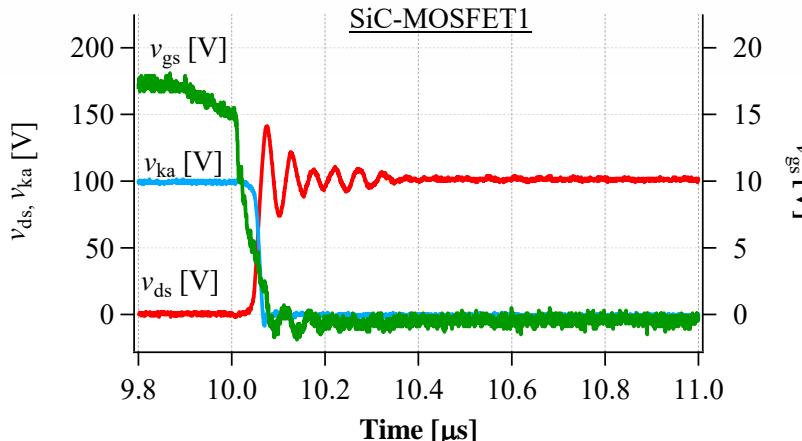


The conducted emission difference of diode type  
 → in higher than 30 MHz (at diode turn-off)





# Voltage behavior at MOSFET turn-off



# Noise spectrum of conducted emission

## Transistor type dependency

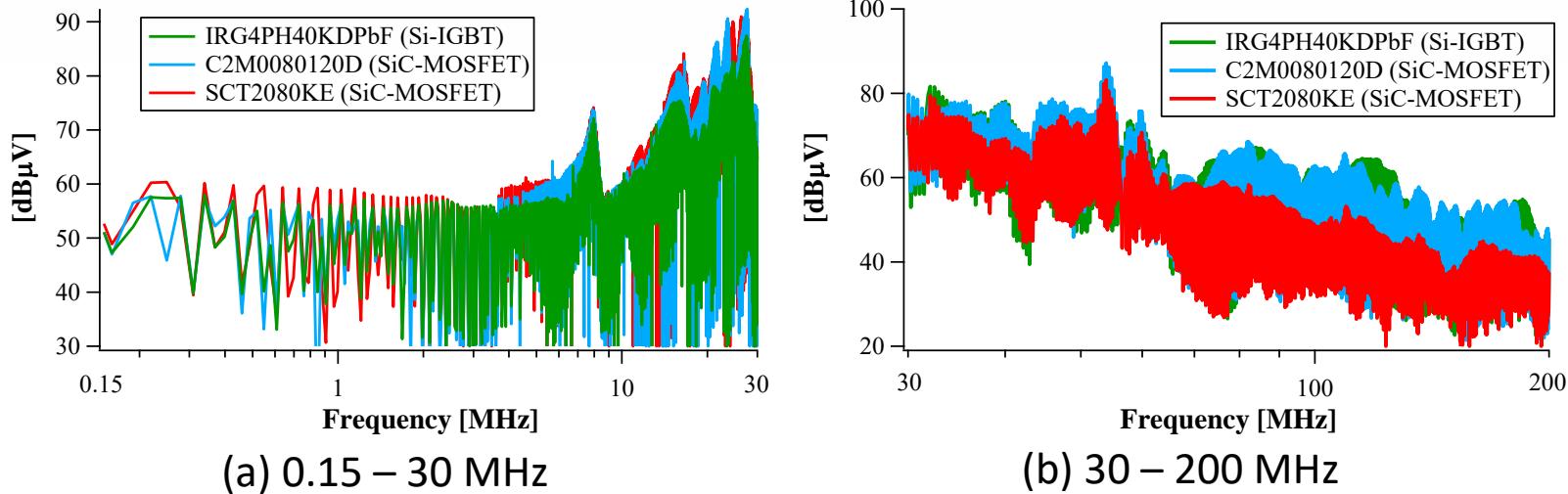


Fig. Conducted noise spectrum ( $R_g=10\Omega$ )

- Almost same for < few MHz
- Peak at several MHz  
→ ringing oscillation at turn off
- Peak at  $20 \sim 30$  MHz  
→ ringing oscillation at turn on
- Spectrum level difference  
→ difference in switching speed  
(turn on)  
→ Depend on internal  $R_g$ ,  $C_{iss}$ ,  $gm$



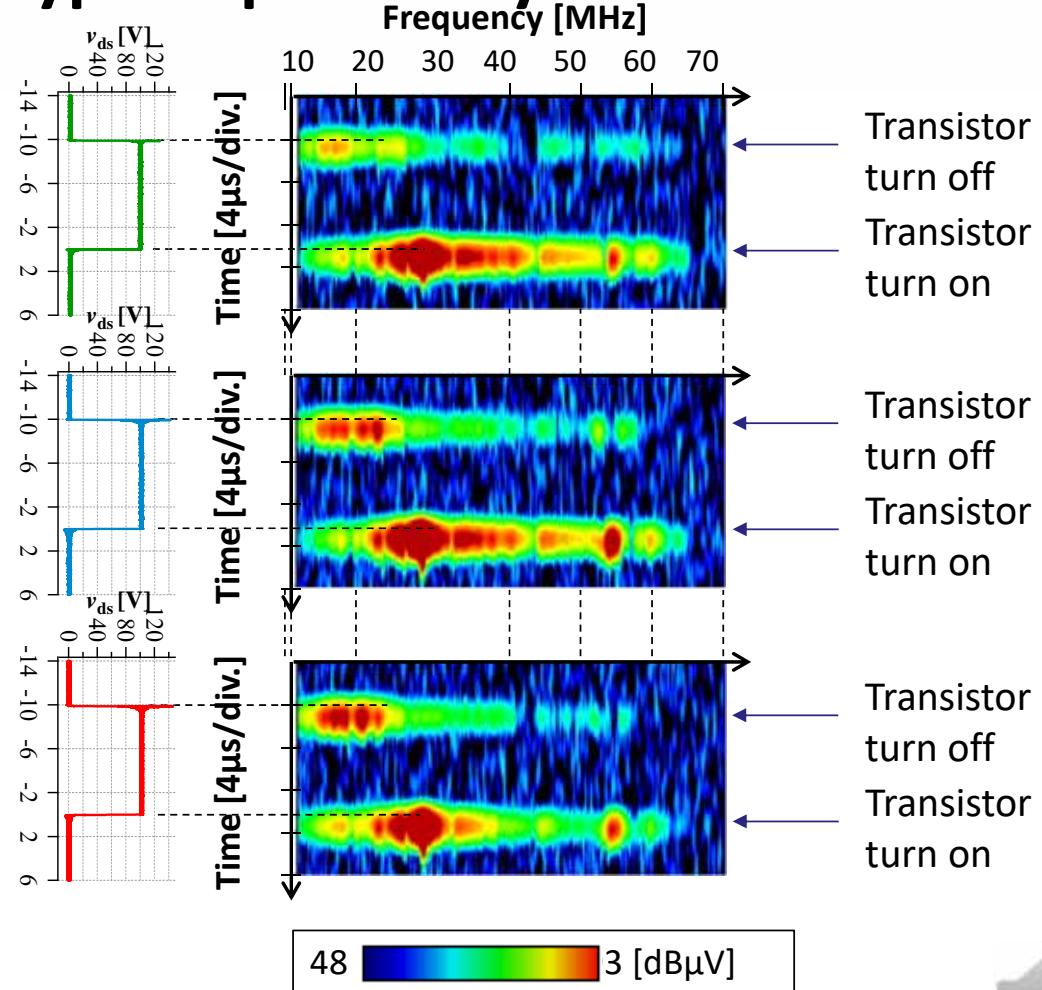
Depend on turn off of diode



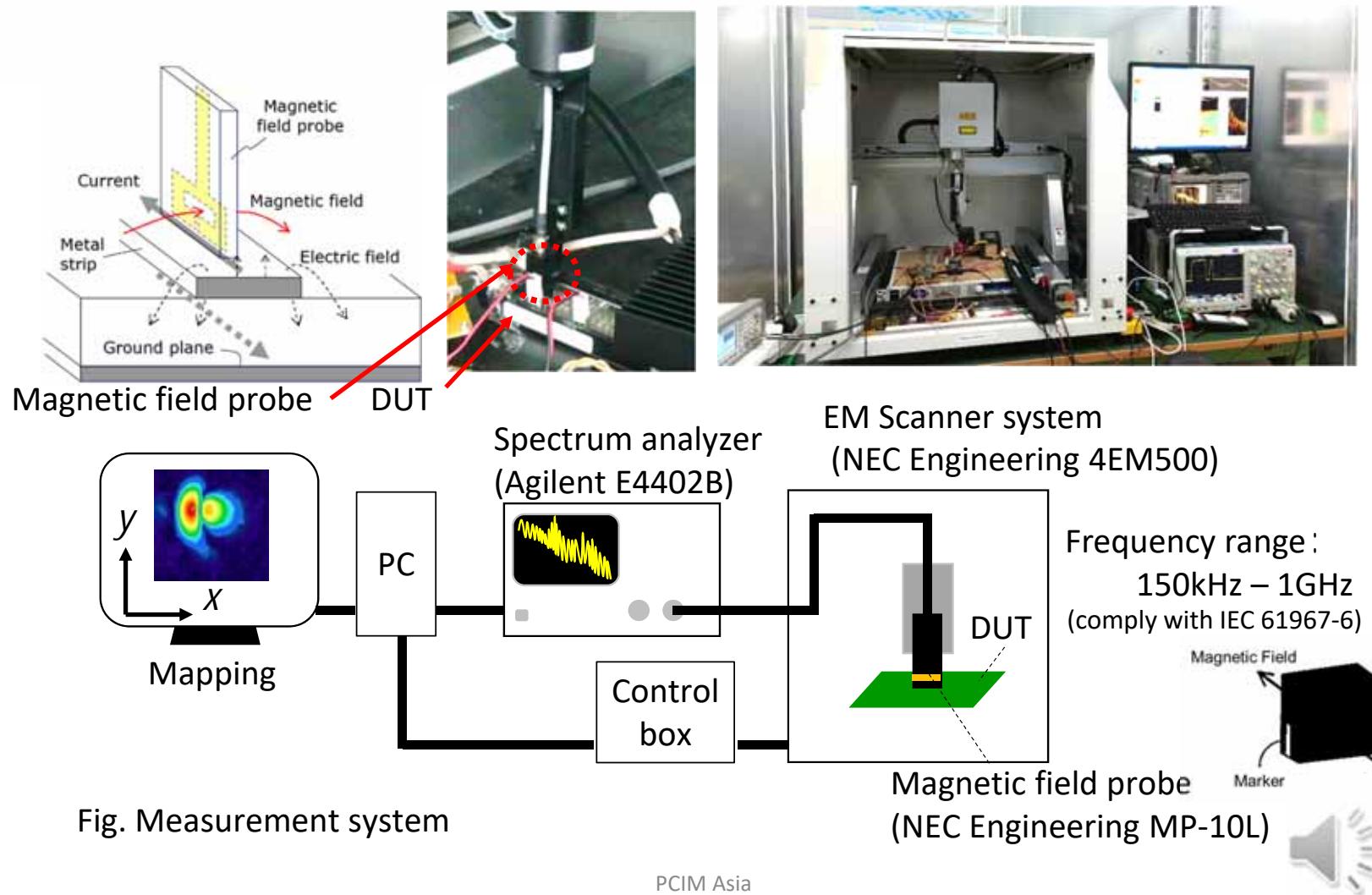


# Spectrogram of conducted emission Transistor type dependency

(a) IRG4PH40KDPbF  
(Si-IGBT)



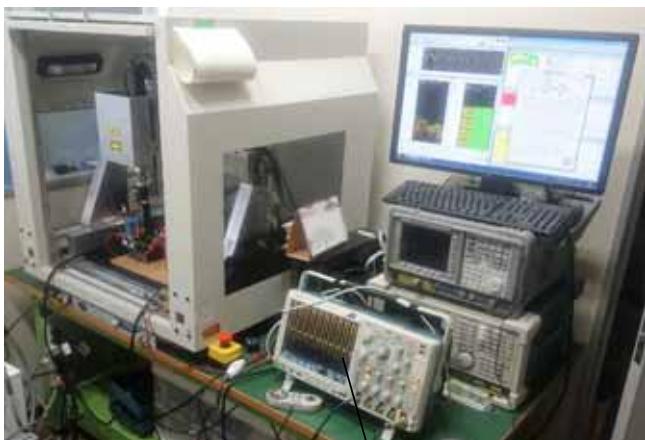
# Magnetic near-field scanning system to observe noise current distribution in power module



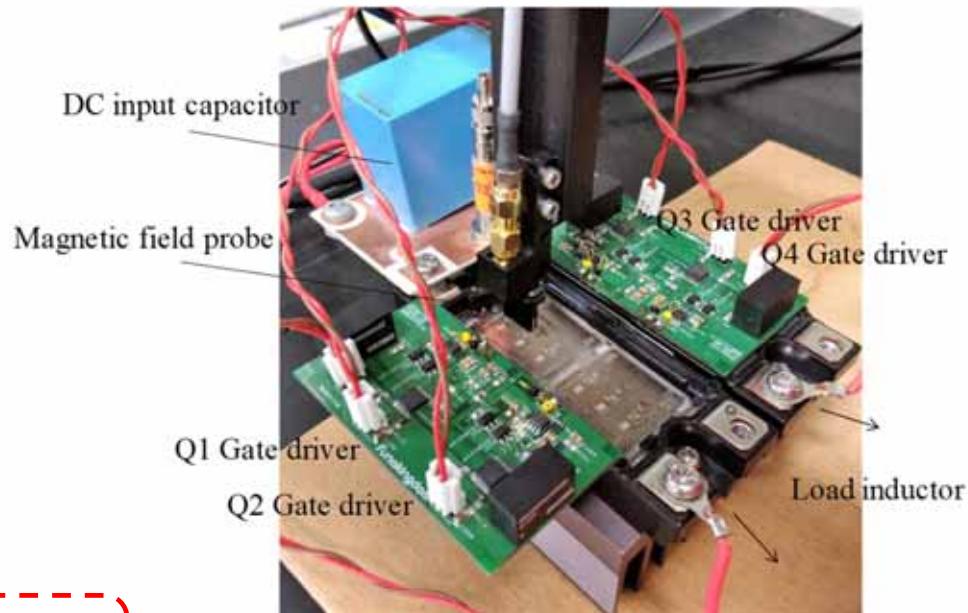


# Time and frequency spectrum distribution observation by magnetic near-field scanning system

EM Scanner system  
(NEC Engineering 4EM500)



Mixed domain oscilloscope  
(Tektronix, MDO4104C-6)



- SW Freq. = 250 kHz
- Duty = 0.45,  $R_g$  = 2 Ω

DUT: SiC power module

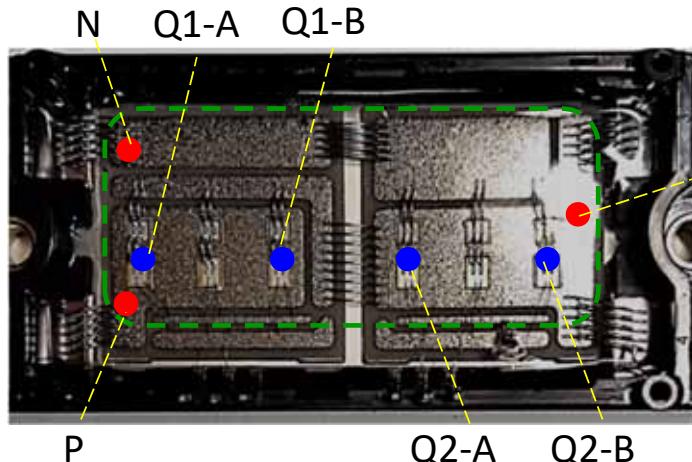
Trigger for synchronization: gate voltage of Q1(Q4)

Magnetic near-field measurement: use RF port of oscilloscope  
as a spectrum analyzer

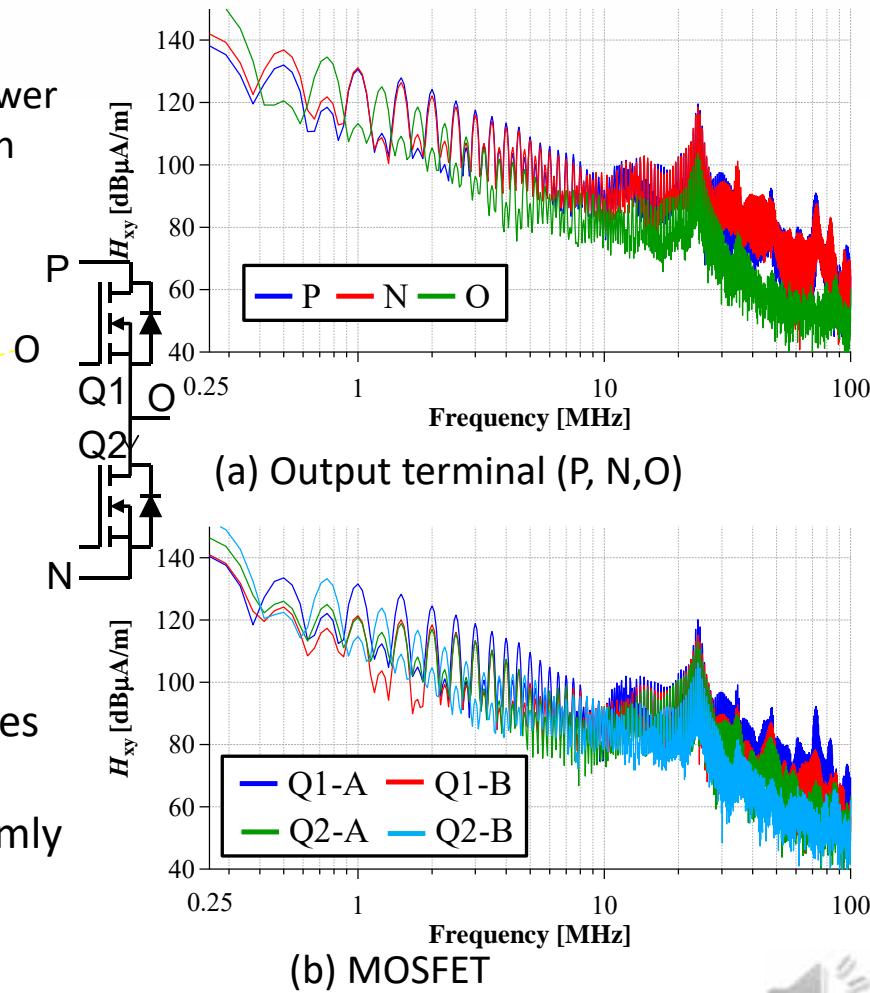


# Frequency spectrum of magnetic near-field

Magnetic near-filed measurement in power module for continuous switching operation

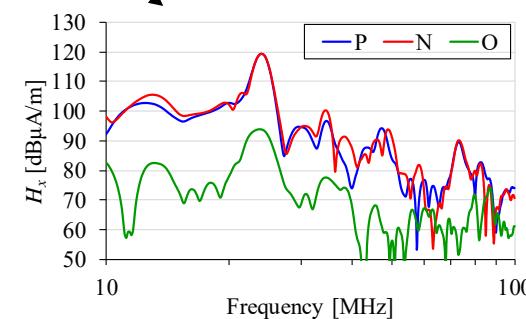
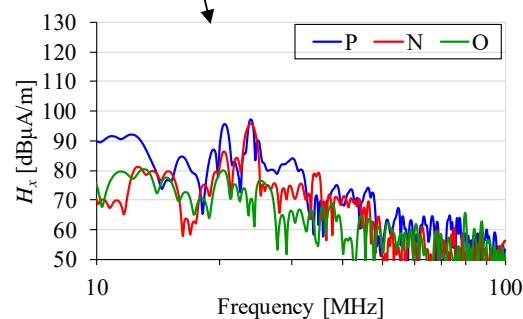
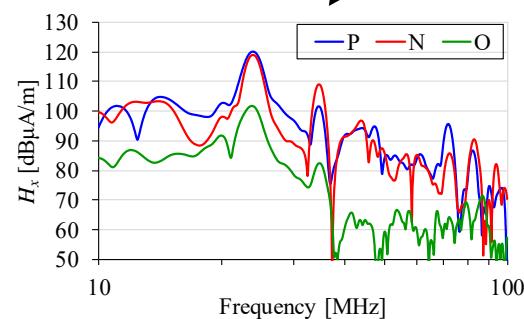
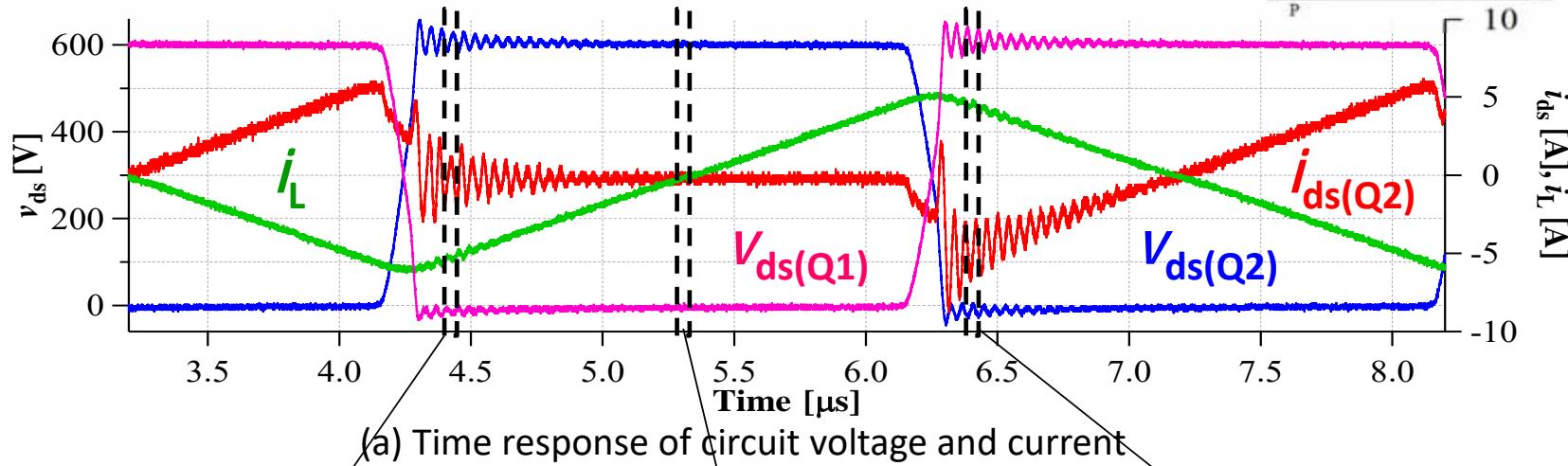
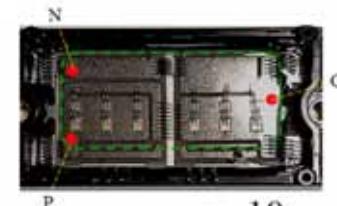


- Frequency character at P, N coincides
- PN intensity is higher 10dB than O
- Noise current does not uniformly distributed among MOSFETs





## Voltage, current behavior and corresponding frequency spectrum of magnetic near field



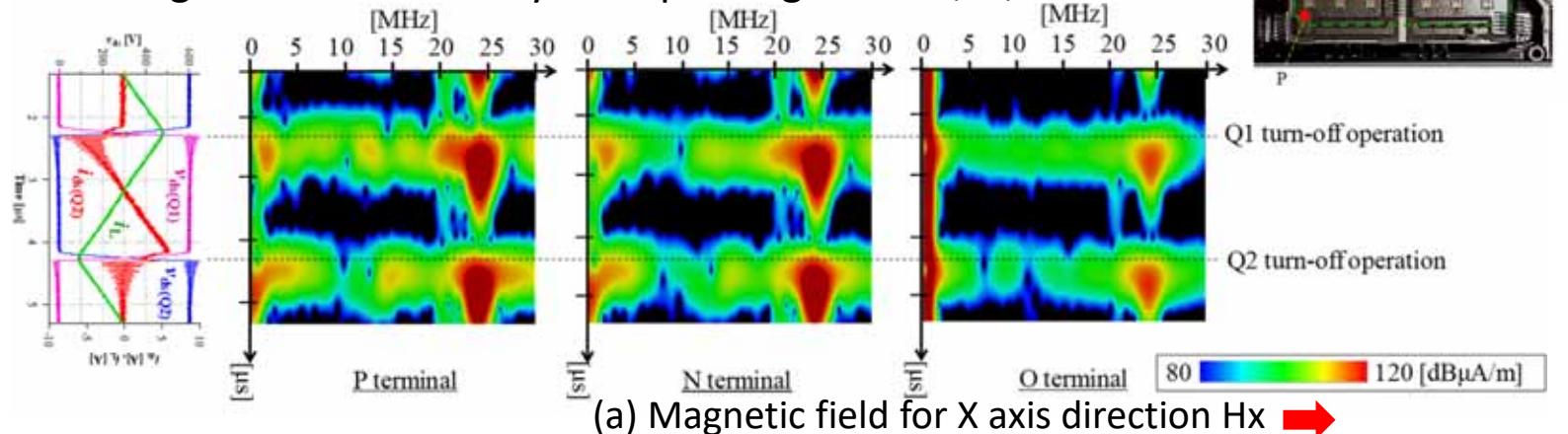
Frequency spectrum of magnetic near field at module terminal P, N, O



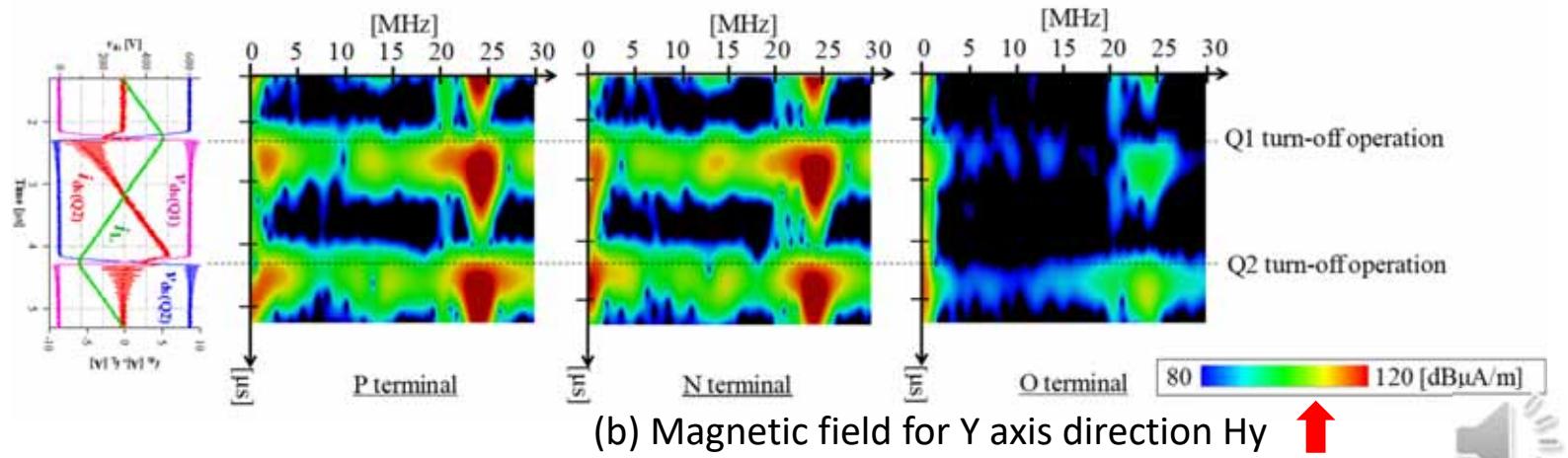


# Time and frequency domain analysis of magnetic near-field

Magnetic field intensity and spectrogram at P, N, O terminal



(a) Magnetic field for X axis direction  $H_x$  →

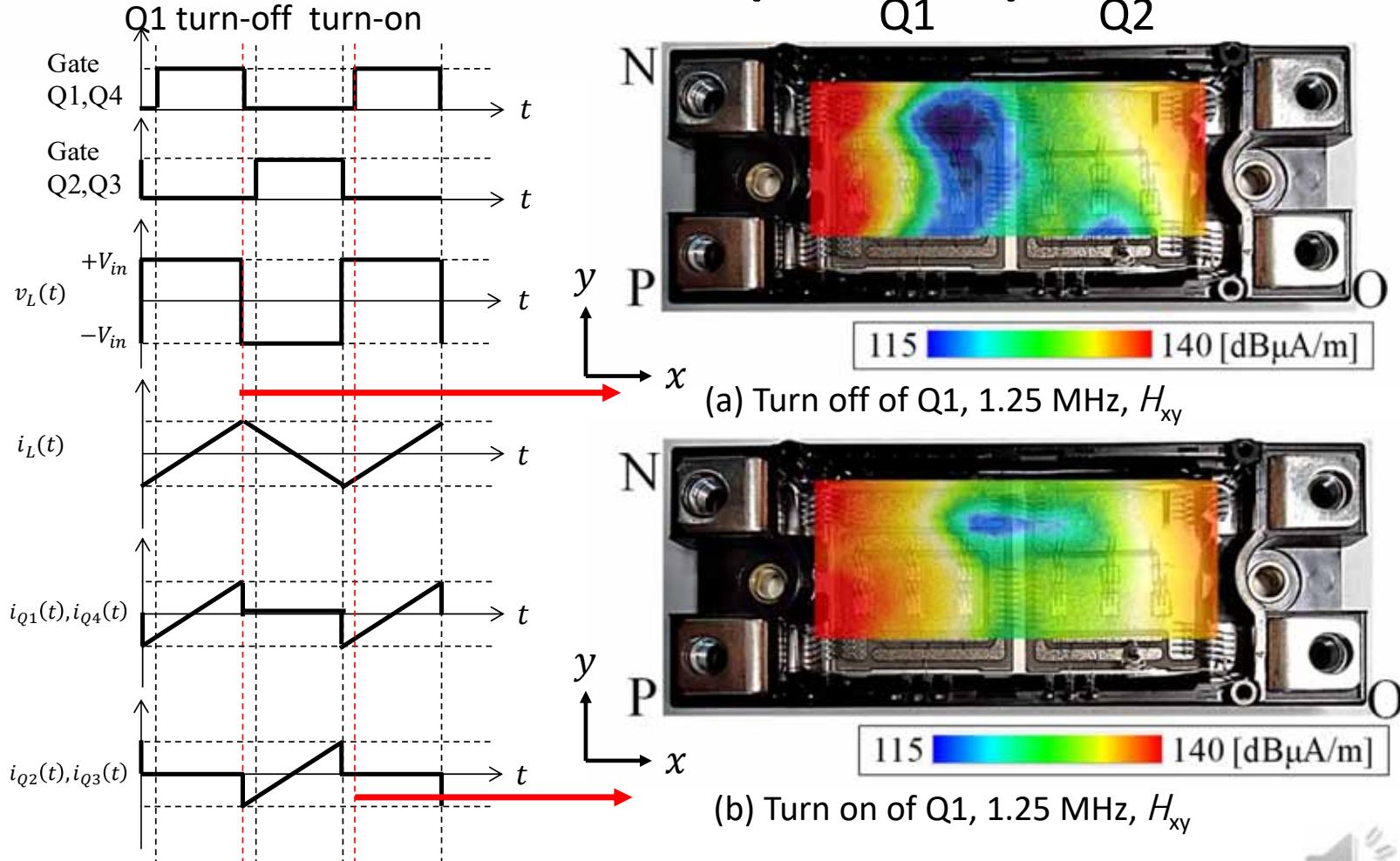


(b) Magnetic field for Y axis direction  $H_y$  ↑



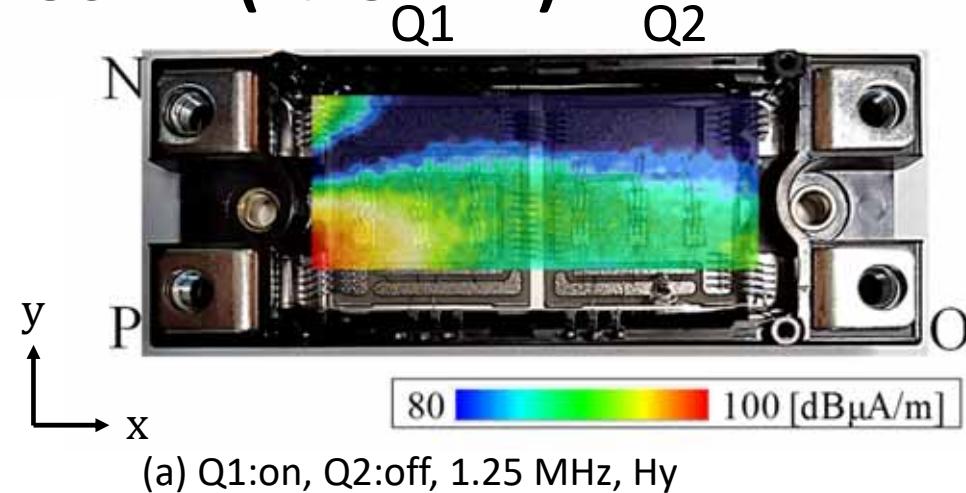
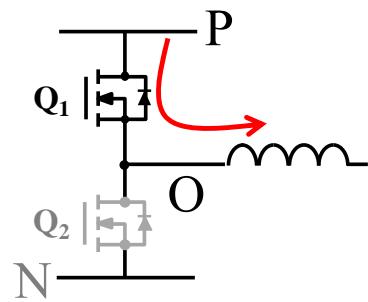


# Magnetic field distribution in switching transient of MOSFET (1.25MHz)

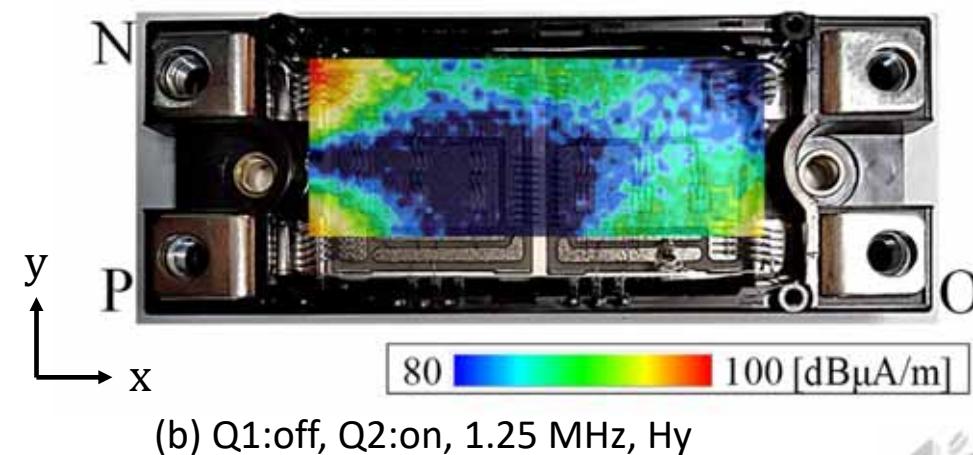
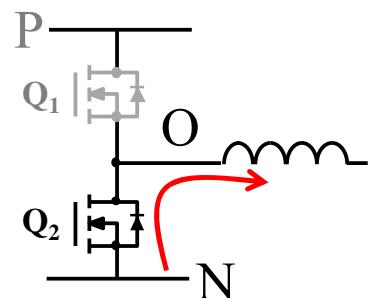


# Magnetic field distribution in conducting condition of MOSFET (1.25MHz)

Current path: P→Q1→O

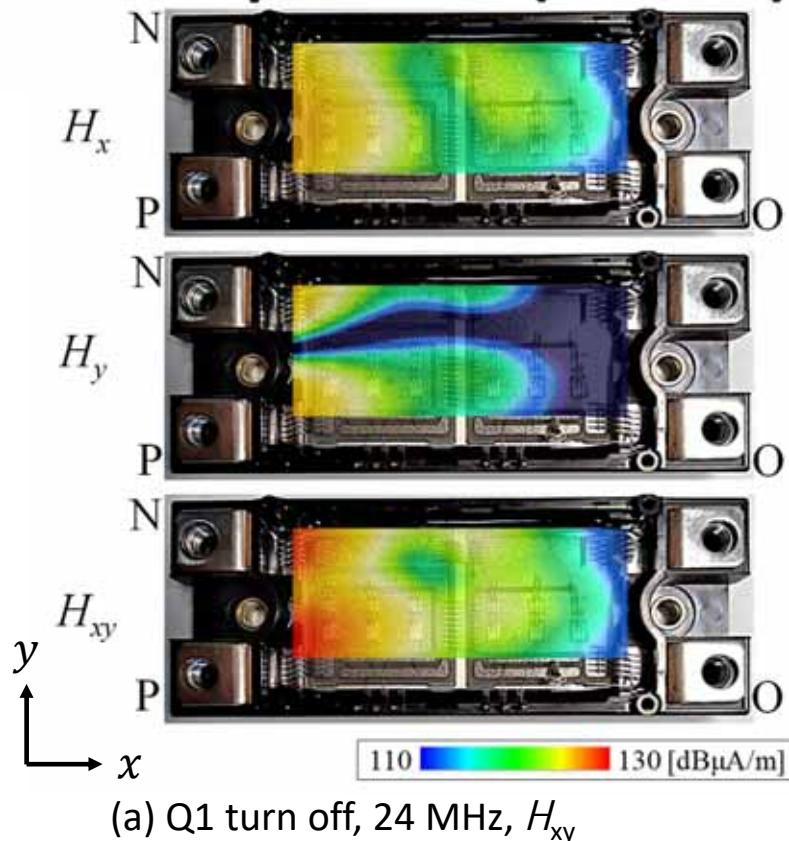


Current path: N→Q2→O

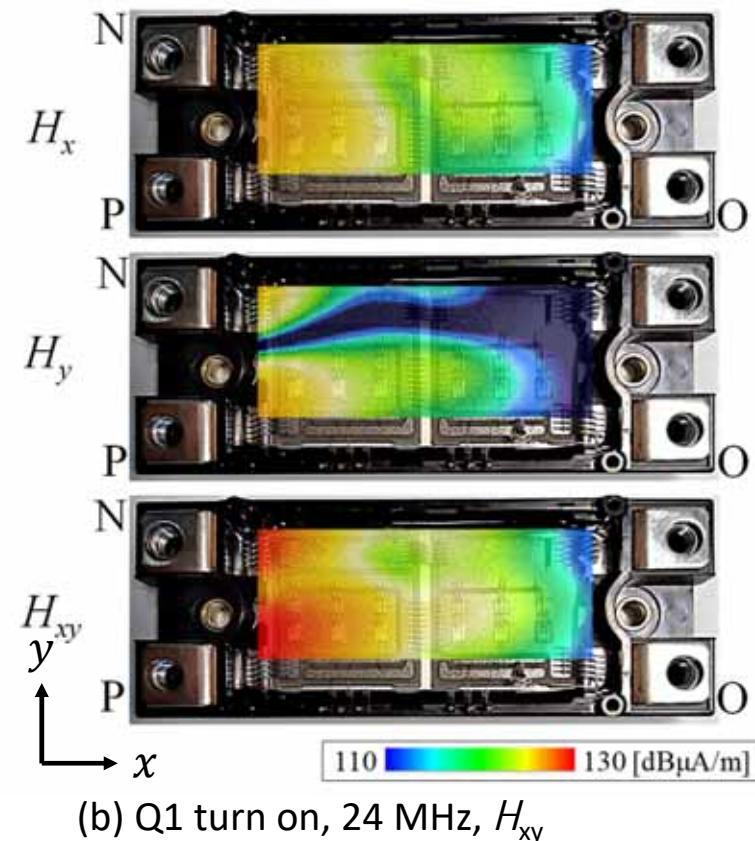




# Noise current distribution in switching operation (24MHz)



High intensity around P-N terminal  
Low intensity around O terminal (small effect on load current)

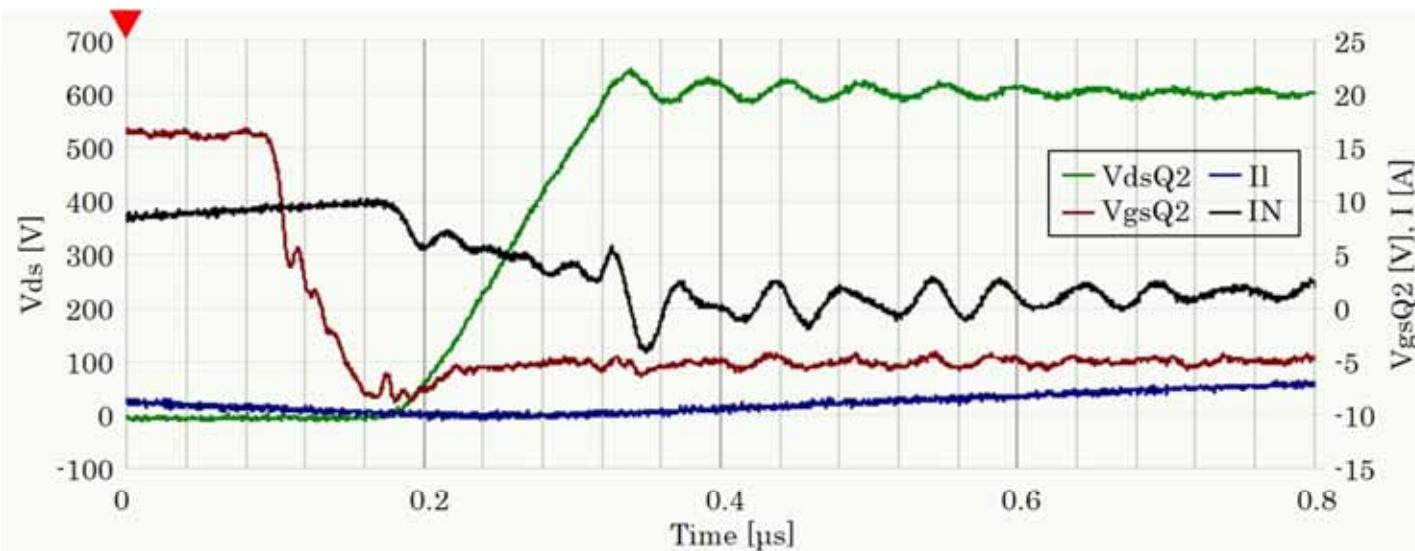


Correspond with current response and spectrogram





## Noise current propagation (24MHz)



24 MHz





# Conclusion

- Fast switching of Wideband gap device
  - Bipolar (IGBT, PiND) -> unipolar (MOSFET,SBD)
    - No reverse recovery, no tail current
    - Fast switching operation
      - Wide band noise spectrum
  - Visualization of noise component
    - Emergence and extinction of noise current location can be detected

