

# ICeGaN<sup>™</sup> in a Critical Conduction Mode TOTEM-POLE PFC

with CGD65A055SH2

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# We are CGD

The Fast-paced Scaleup Making Green Electronics Possible – Inventor of ICeGaN™

**A fabless semiconductor company** designing, developing and commercialising **energy-efficient GaN-based power devices and ICs**

**Operating from**  
**5**  
Locations

**Innovation**  
**91+**  
Patent applications

**Employees**  
**~60**  
> 300% growth (2020–2023)



## Knowledge

Academic excellence and industry expertise combined



## Innovation

Innovative power solutions that help protect the environment



## Sustainability

Eco-compatible business measures (**ESG**)

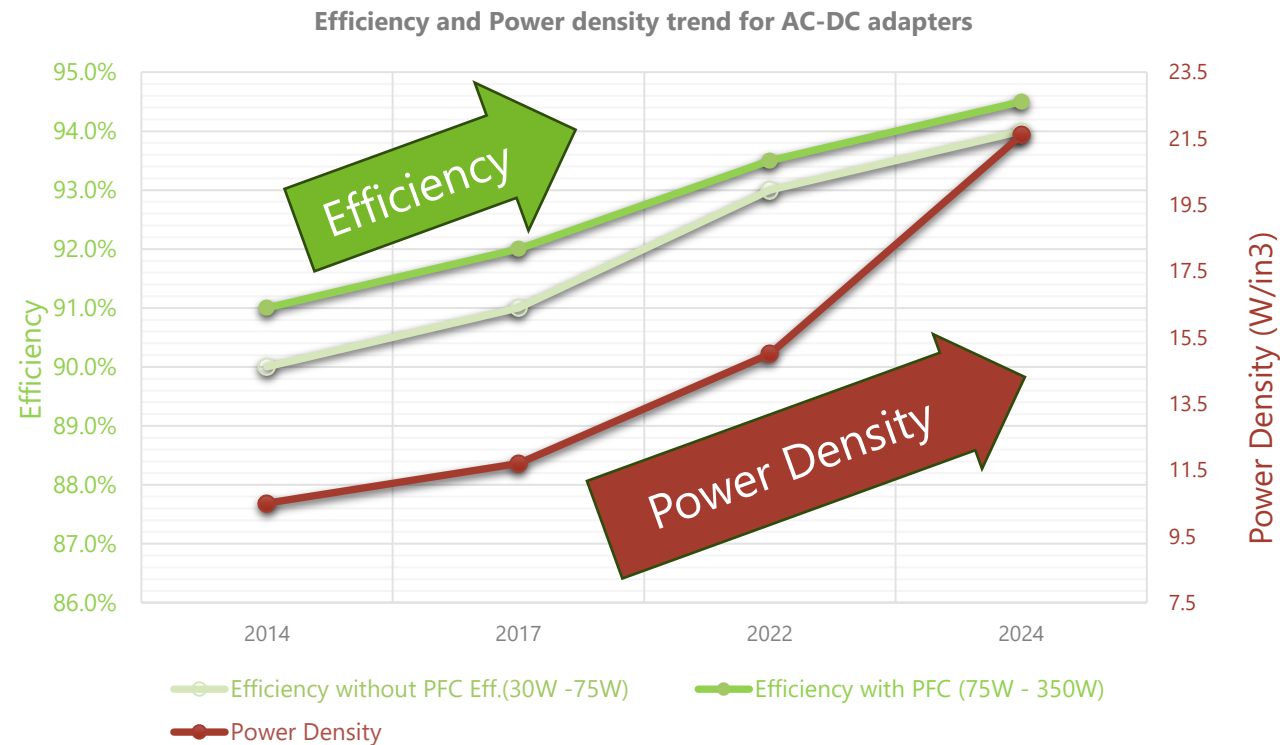


## Collaboration

Cooperation, empowerment, respect, listening to customers, employees and partners

# Adapter Trends

Higher Power, Higher Efficiency, Lighter Weight



## High Power

- USB PD3.1 increased to 240W (48V/5A).
- Gaming laptops >300W (19.5V/16.9A).
- Multiple outputs

## Compact

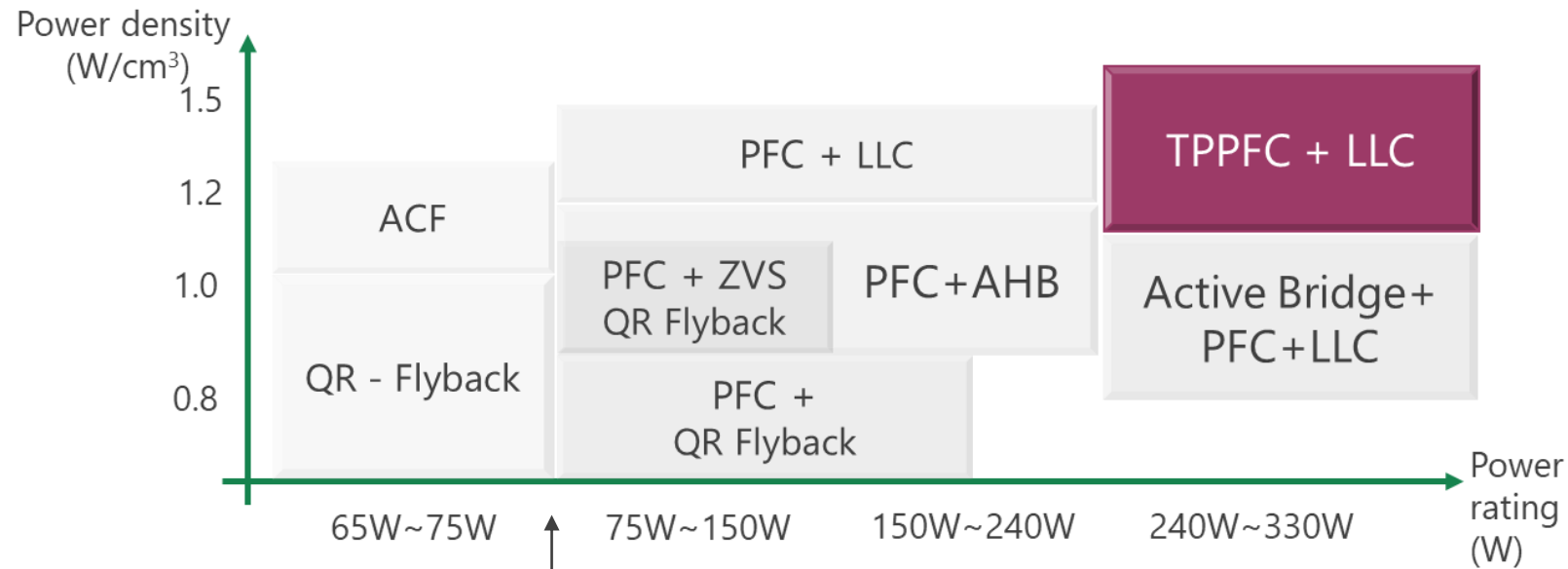
- Portable / Lighter weight.

## International standards and certifications

- Higher efficiency
- No-load consumption getting lower
- Limits for Average Efficiency (4-point load)
- Limits for Efficiency at 10 % load

# Adapter Trend

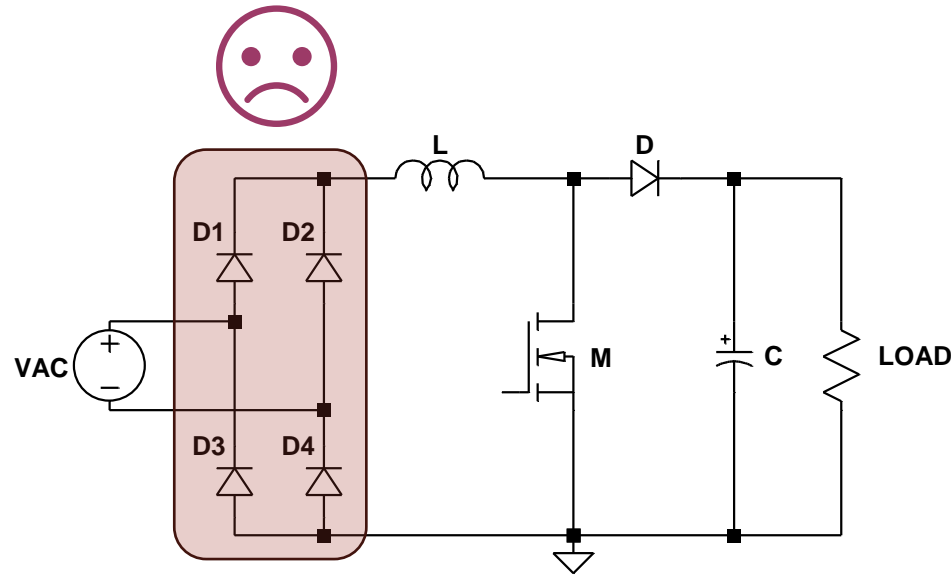
Topologies for Low Power AC-DC Applications: Power Density vs Power Rating



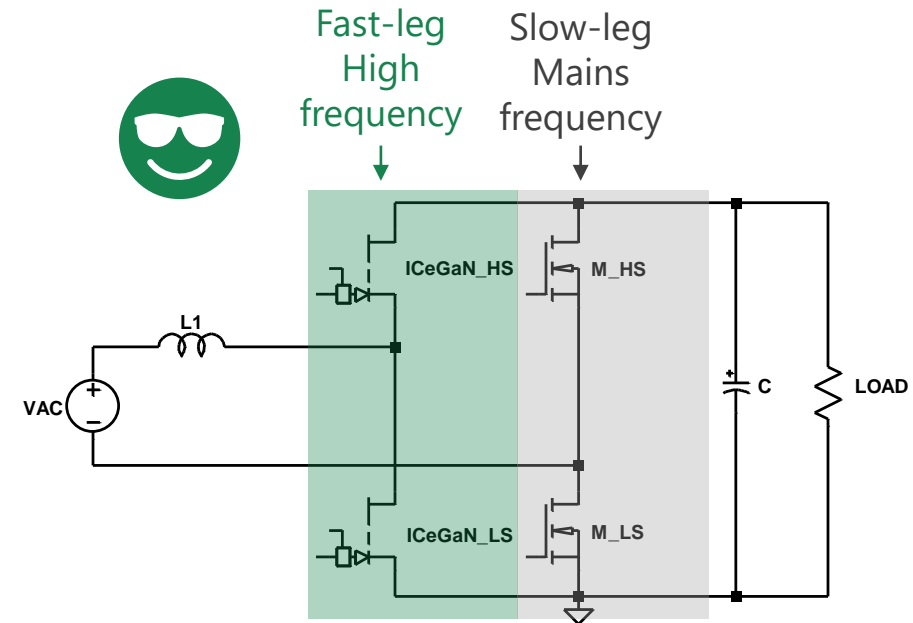
**From here a PFC stage is required**

# The Need for Bridgeless PFC

Totem-Pole is More Efficient than Standard Boost



The diode bridge is a major source of loss in boost PFC



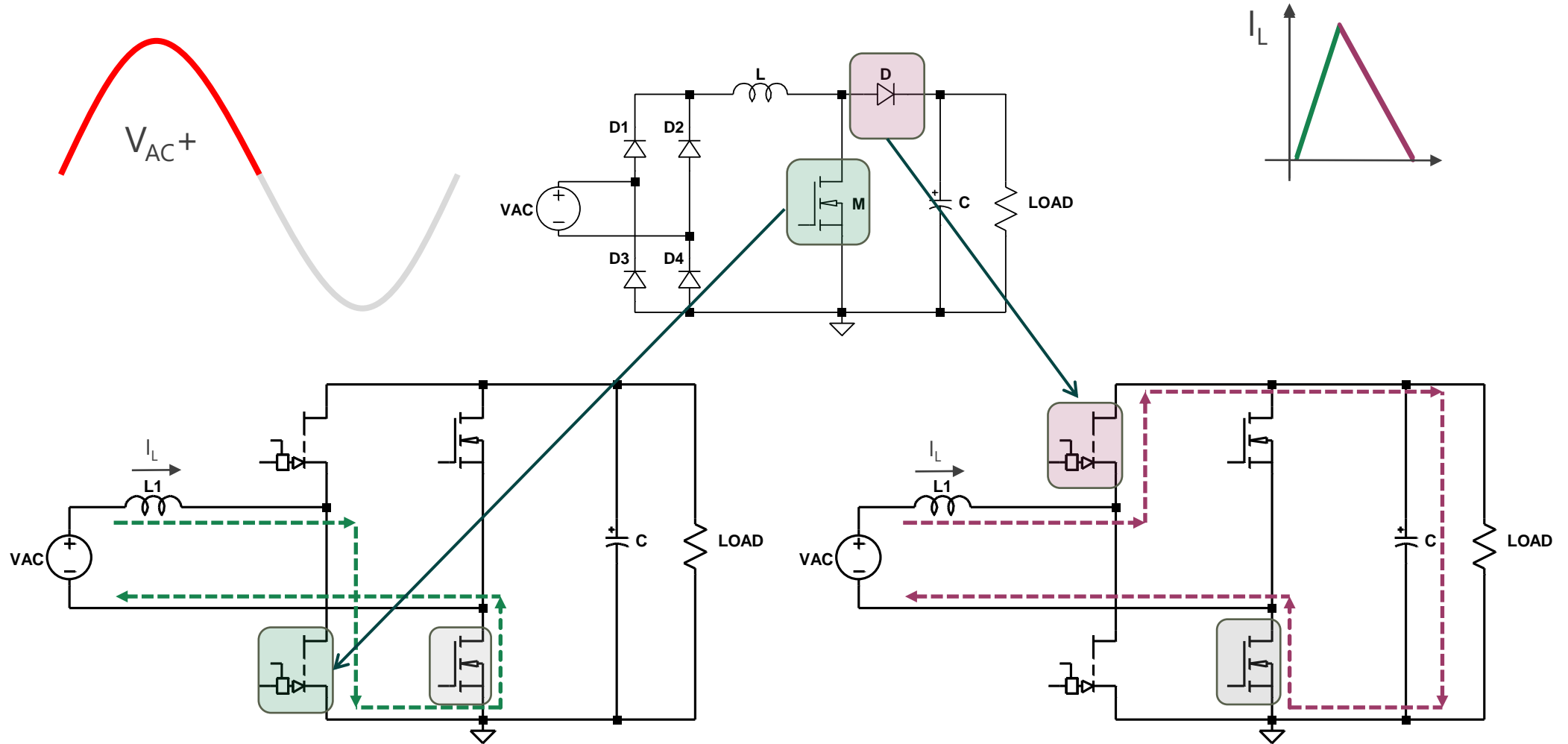
The totem-pole PFC is a good bridgeless solution for high efficiency and power density

Only 4 power devices

Single inductor

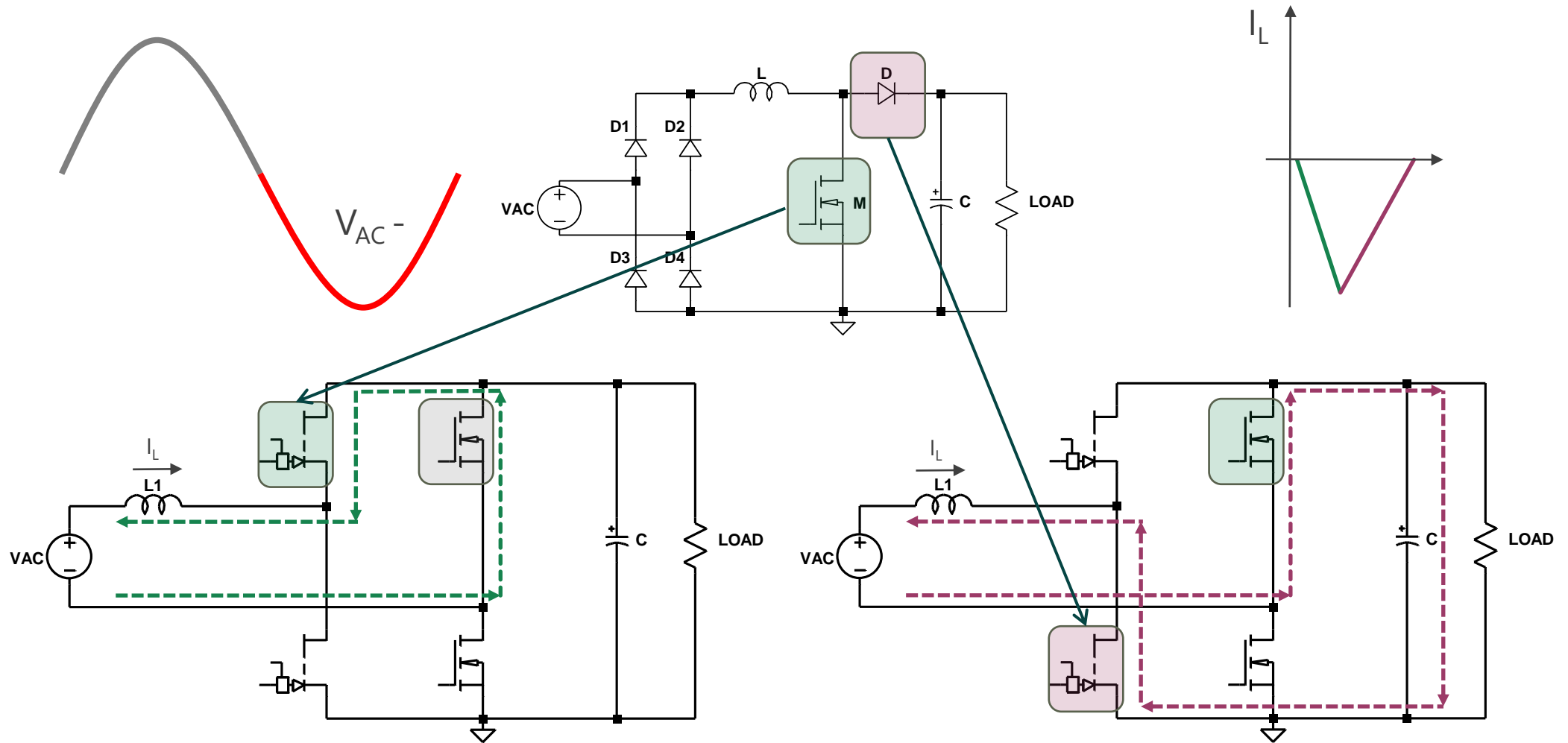
# Totem-Pole PFC Operation

AC positive cycle



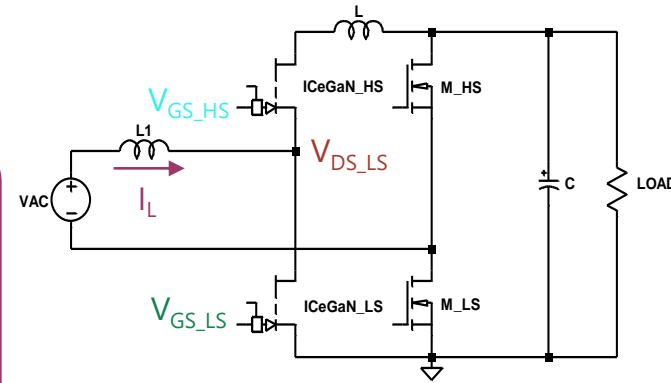
# Totem-Pole PFC Operation

AC negative cycle





# Totem-Pole Current Mode Operation



## CCM

Best at higher power levels (>350W)

- RMS currents are lower
- Smaller peak currents than CrCM operation

## CrCM

Best low power applications (<350W)

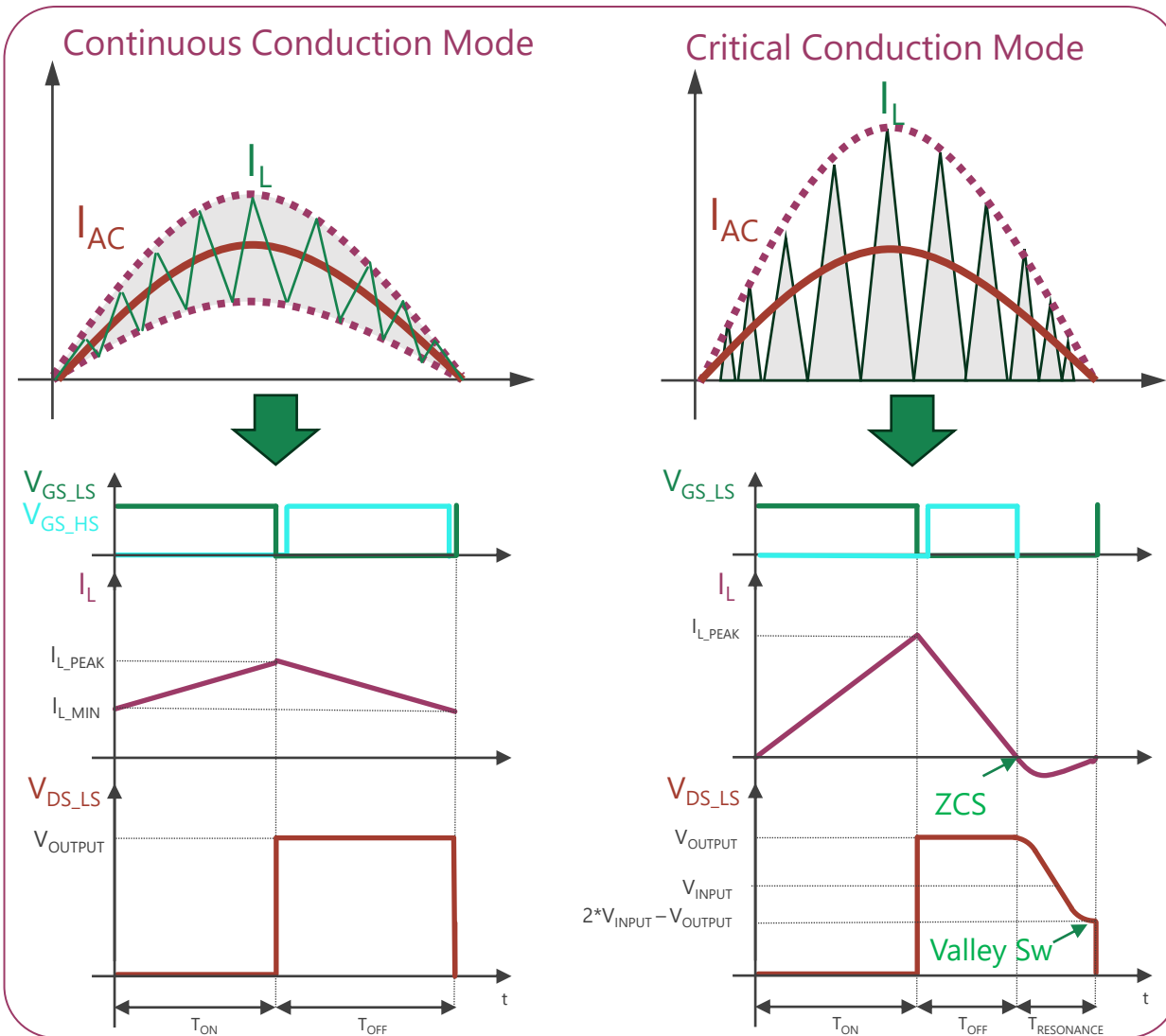
### Higher efficiency

Zero current switching - ZCS

- Zero Voltage Switching at low line - ZVS
- Valley switching at high line

### Better density

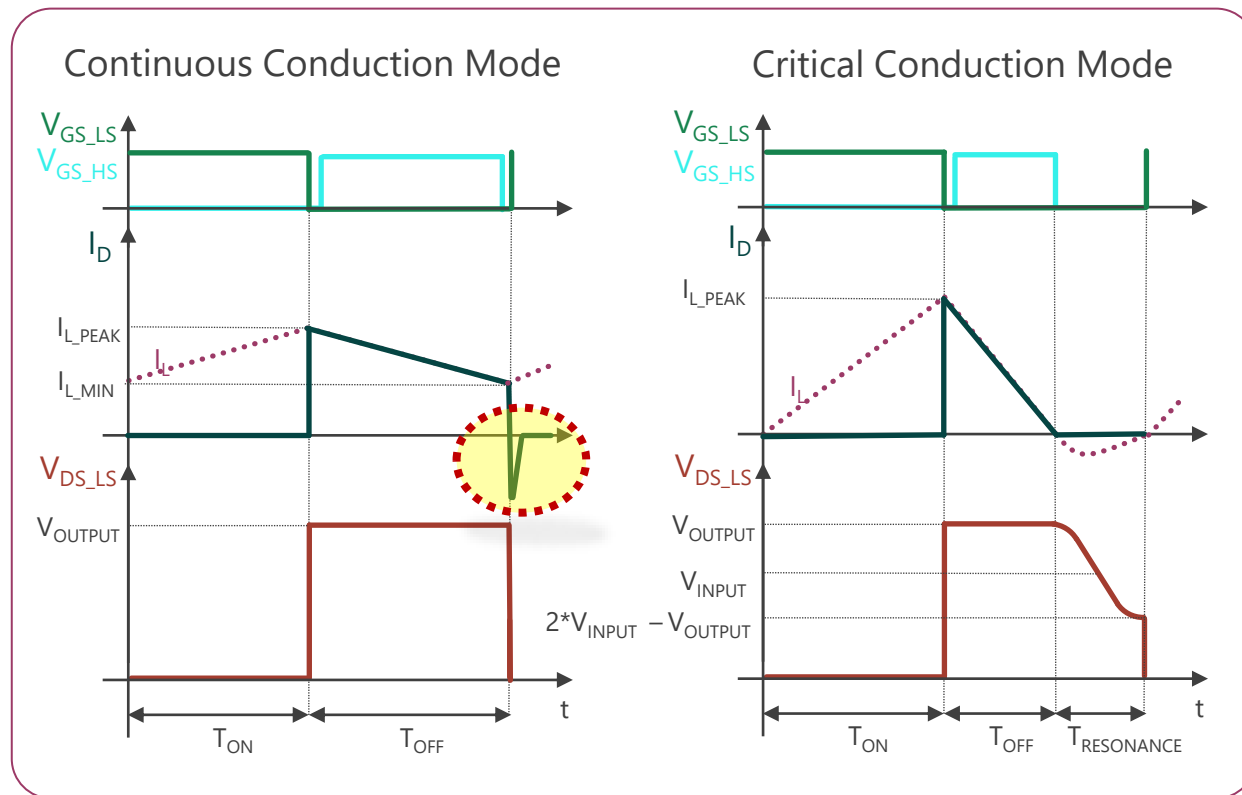
- Smaller inductor than CCM operation



# ICeGaN Benefits for Totem-Pole PFC

CCM TPPFC is only feasible with WBG devices. Body diode recovery losses make super-junction Si MOSFETs impractical

CrCM TPPFC could operate with MOSFETS because ZCS and ZVS (low line) / Valley switching (highline)



**ICeGaN outperforms Si for the same  $R_{DS(on)}$**   
 switching losses are not zero. Energy loss still present in the switching transitions particularly at high switching frequencies:

- High line operation – no ZVS
- Light load operation (10% load)
- No-Load Burst mode operation

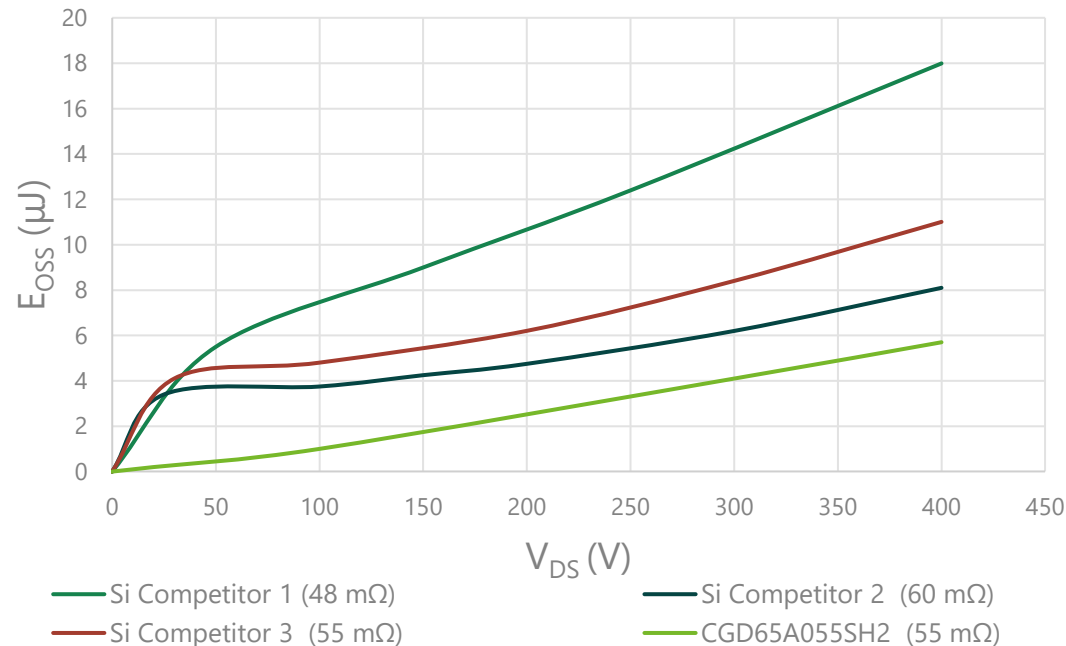
**ICeGaN is a GaN HEMT and it is driven like a MOSFET**

- ✓  $R_{DS(on)} * C_{OSS}$  F.O.M. significantly smaller
- ✓  $Q_G$  more than 10 times smaller
- ✓ Easy to Drive

# ICeGaN Benefits for Totem-Pole PFC

Better switching performance and lower switching losses than equivalent Si MOSFETS

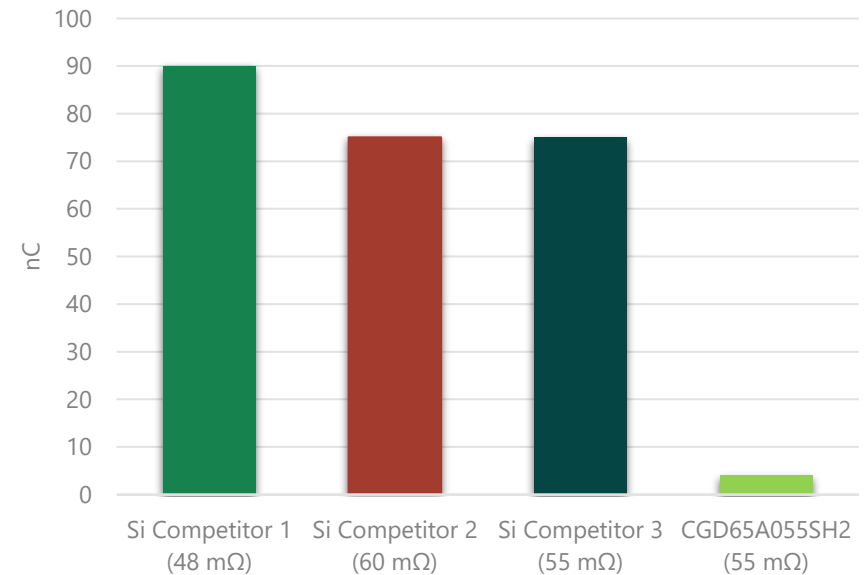
$C_{OSS}$  stored energy Comparison



$E_{OSS}$  is smaller and more linear

- ✓ Low switching energy loss increase highline, light load efficiency and no-load consumption
- ✓ Faster transitions
- ✓ Low sink/source current 600V bootstrap HB driver IC can be used

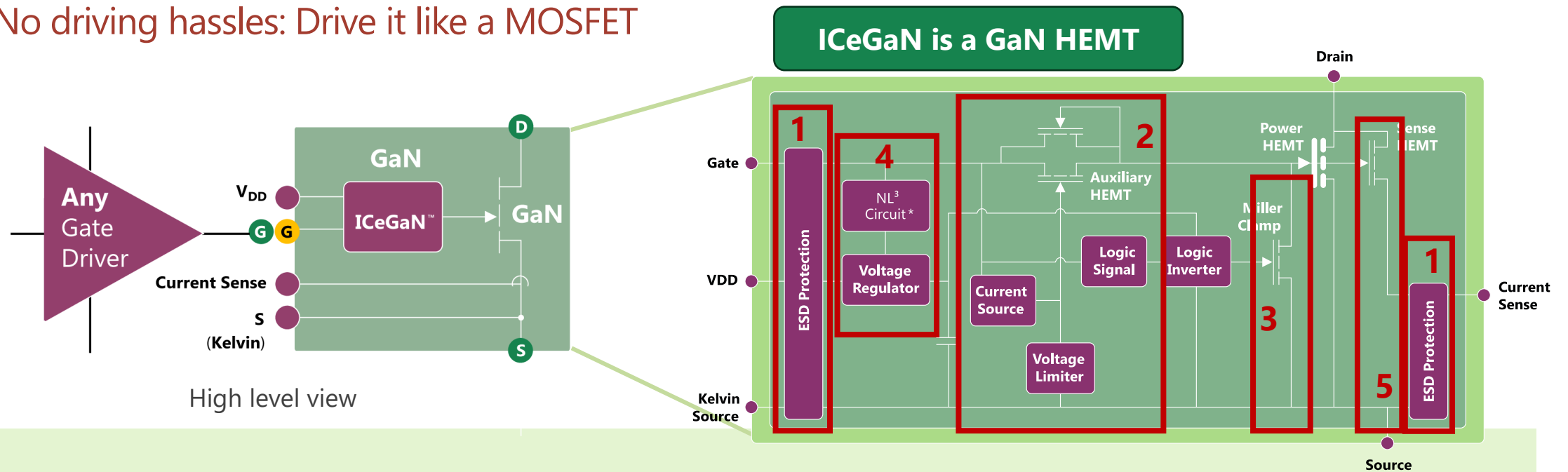
$Q_G$  ( $V_{GS}=12V$ )



$Q_G$  is an order of magnitude smaller than in Si

# ICeGaN™ All-In-One GaN Chip

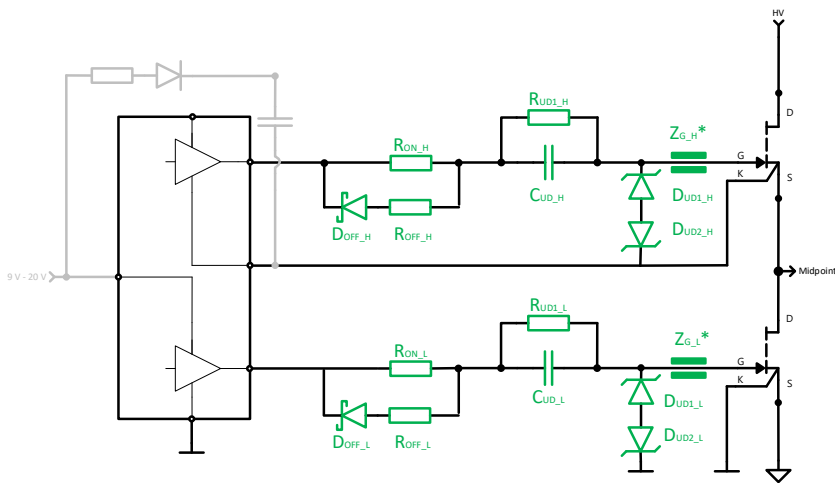
No driving hassles: Drive it like a MOSFET



1. ESD Protection
2. Gate voltage operation (9 V-20 V) / Gate voltage threshold voltage is 3 V
3. Internal Miller Clamp and logic to ensure high dv/dt, fast switching and achieve true 0 V turn-off
4. No Load Light Load (NL<sup>3</sup>) circuit enables ultra-low power losses in stand-by mode
5. Current Sense
6. Turn on slew rate can be adjusted with the external R<sub>G</sub>

# External Driving Components

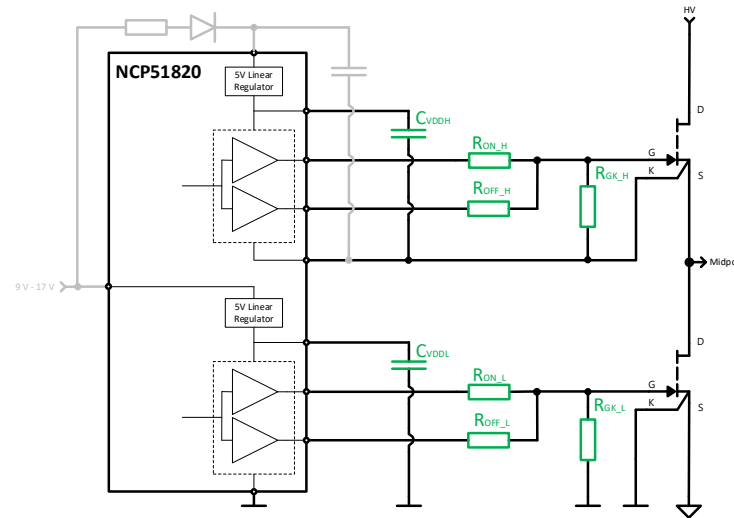
ICeGaN requires simple HB Si driver and fewer external components



## Discrete GaN Competitor

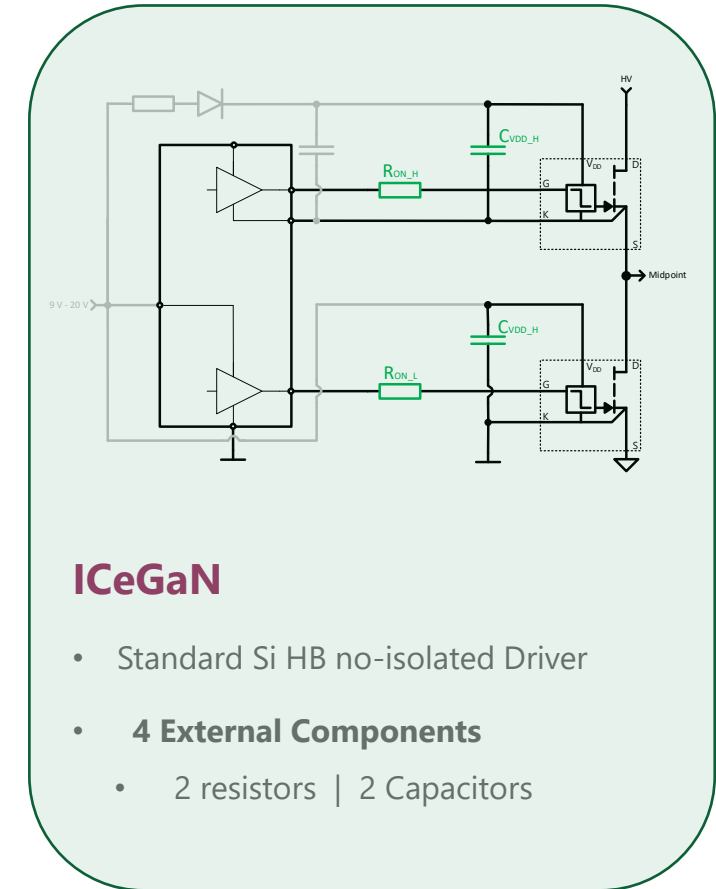
- Standard Si HB no-isolated Driver
- **16 External Components**
  - 6 resistors | 2 Capacitors | 6 diodes | 2 beads

This solution adds reverse conduction voltage VSD and impact the efficiency



## Discrete GaN Competitor

- GaN HEMT no-isolated low gate voltage Driver
- **8 External Components**
  - 6 Resistors | 2 Capacitors

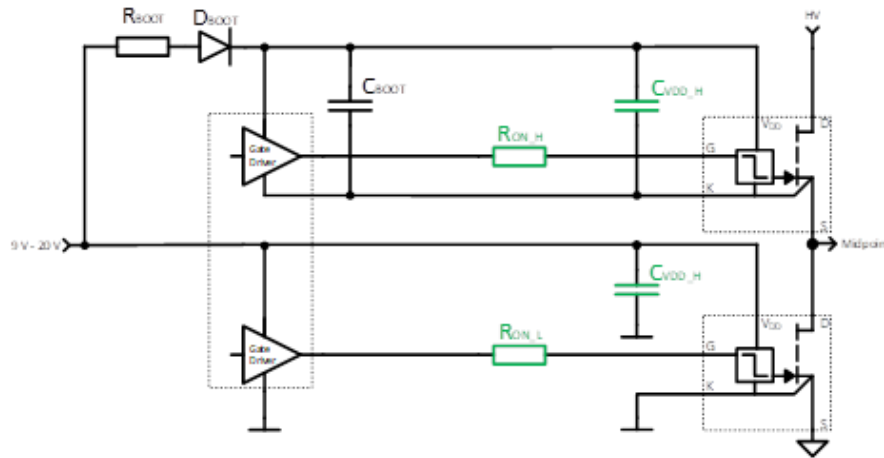


## ICeGaN

- Standard Si HB no-isolated Driver
- **4 External Components**
  - 2 resistors | 2 Capacitors

# ICeGaN Advantages

## Summary



### Efficiency and Power Density

#### ICeGaN vs a super-junction Si MOSFET

- GaN HEMT
- No  $Q_{RR}$
- 10 times lower  $Q_G$
- Lower and more linear  $C_{OSS}$
- **Faster transitions and lower losses**
- **Low sink/source driver IC works**

### Easy to drive

#### ICeGaN vs discrete GaN

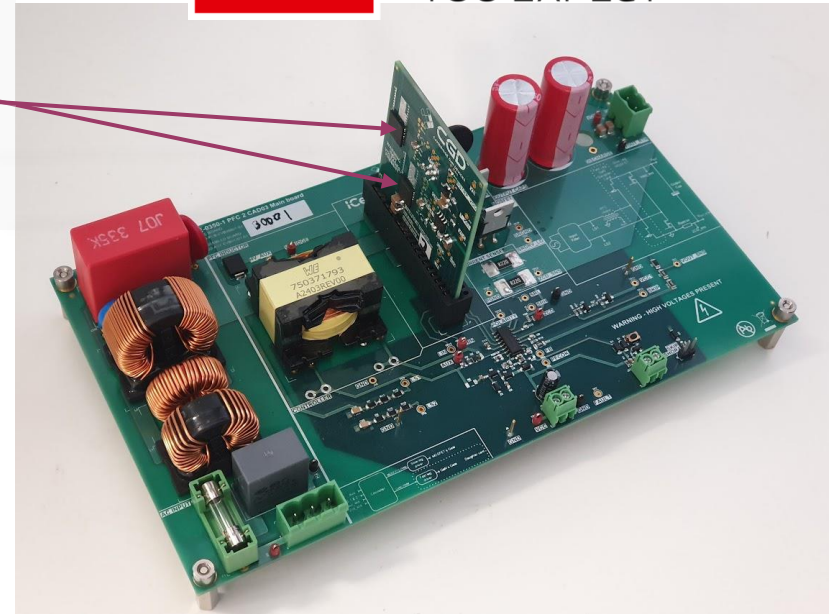
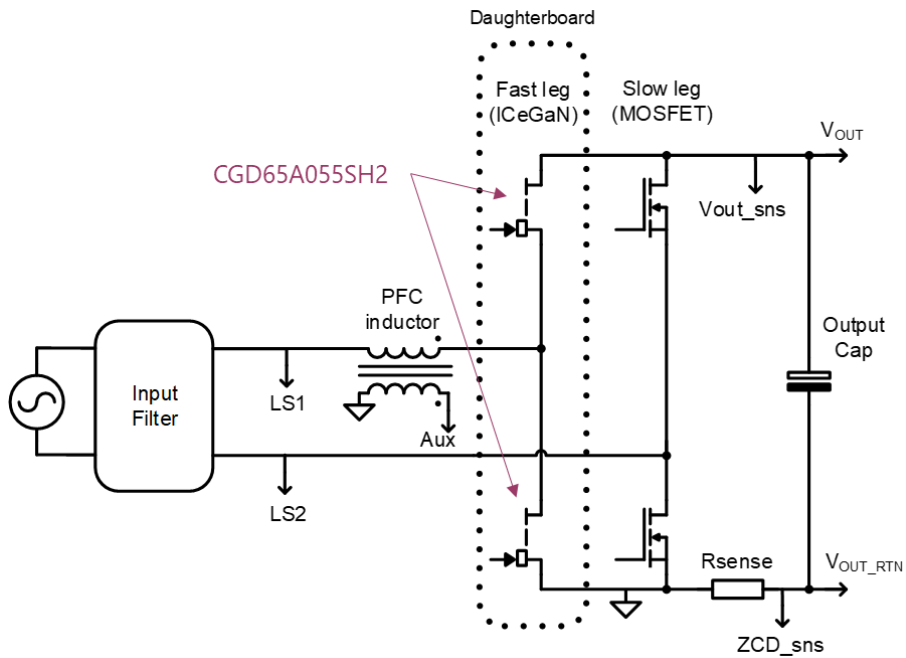
- Gate voltage range is 9 V – 20V
- Gate voltage threshold is 3V
- Internal Miller Clamp
- **No need for negative drive**
- **No need for external turn off path**
- **Only 2 external SMD components required per IGeGaN**
- **Work with traditional bootstrap HB gate drivers**

# 350 W Totem-Pole PFC Evaluation Board

with CGD65A055SH2



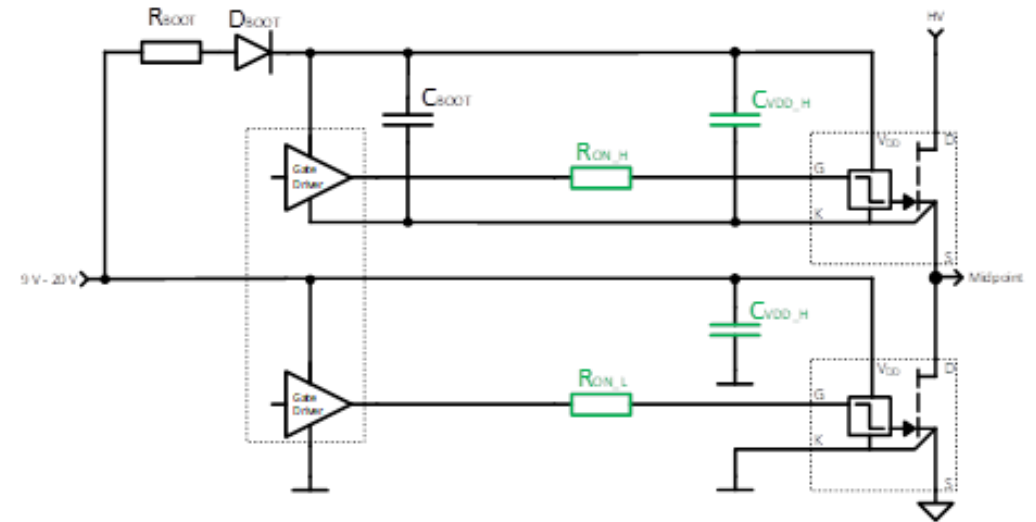
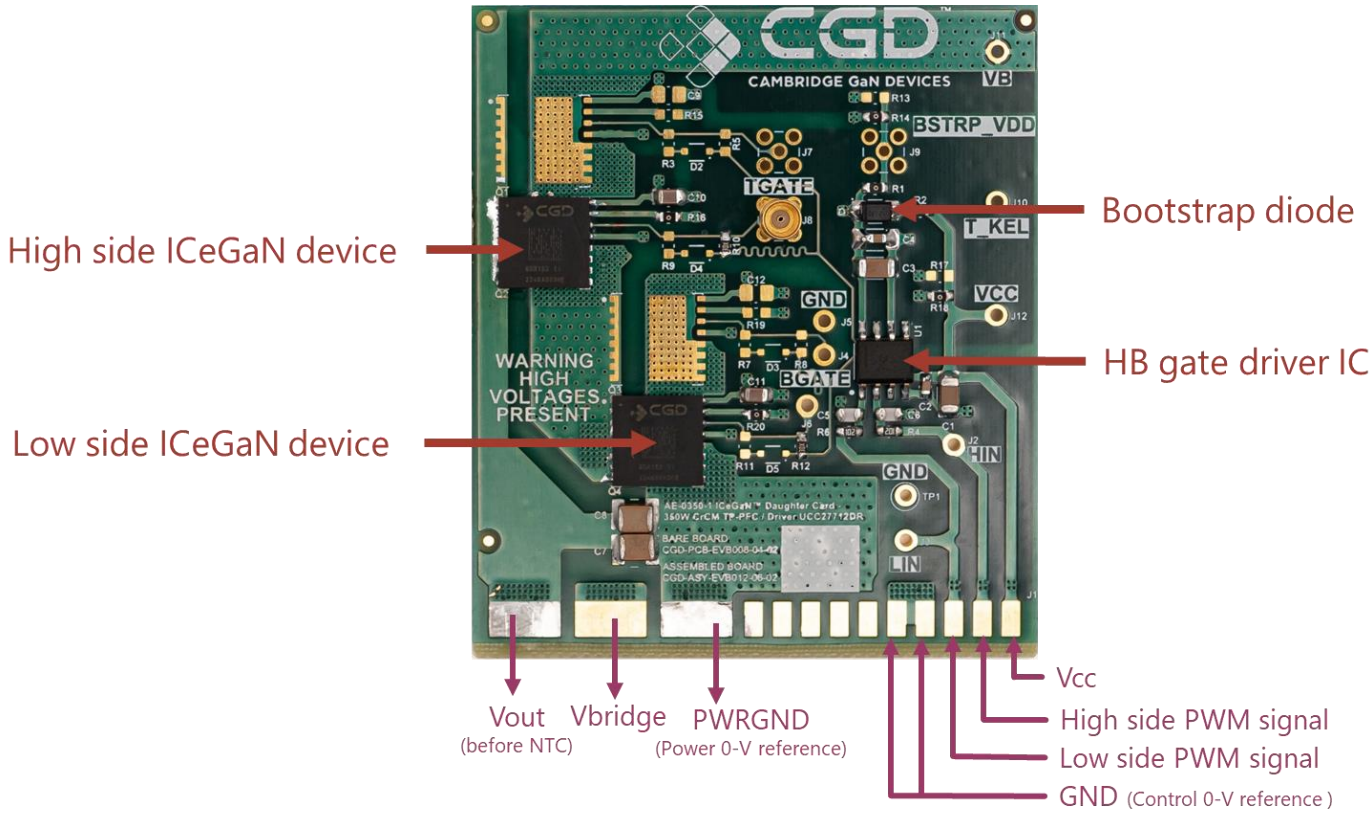
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350 W Totem-Pole PFC Evaluation Board | Cambridge GaN Devices

# 350 W Totem-Pole PFC Evaluation Board

## Daughter Card

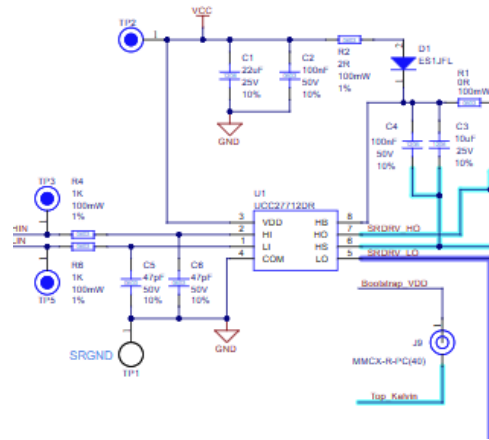




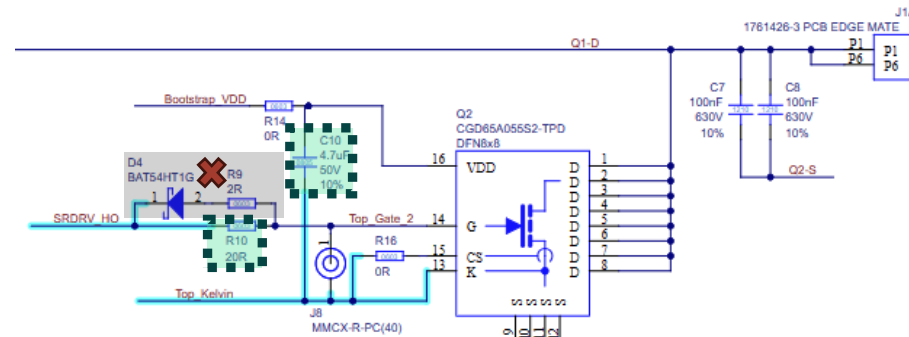
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## Driving

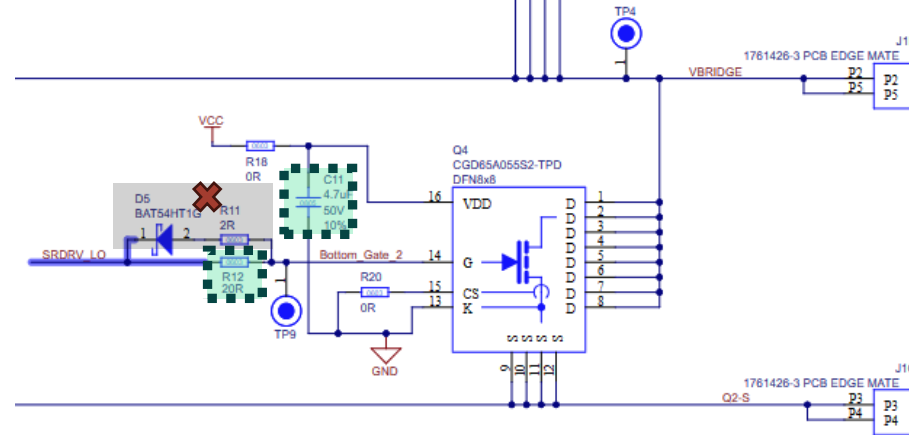
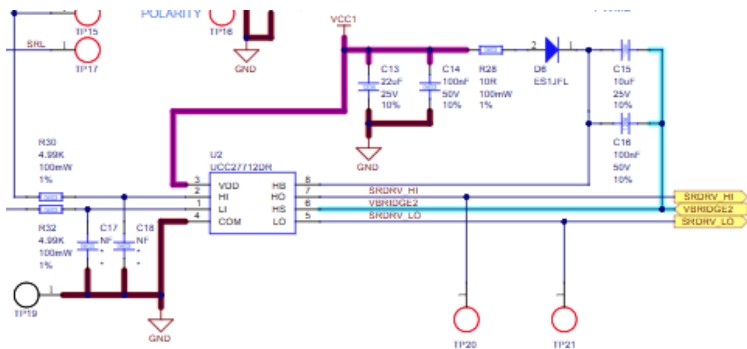
Same HB driver IC P/N for the fast leg ICeGaN



2 External components per ICeGaN

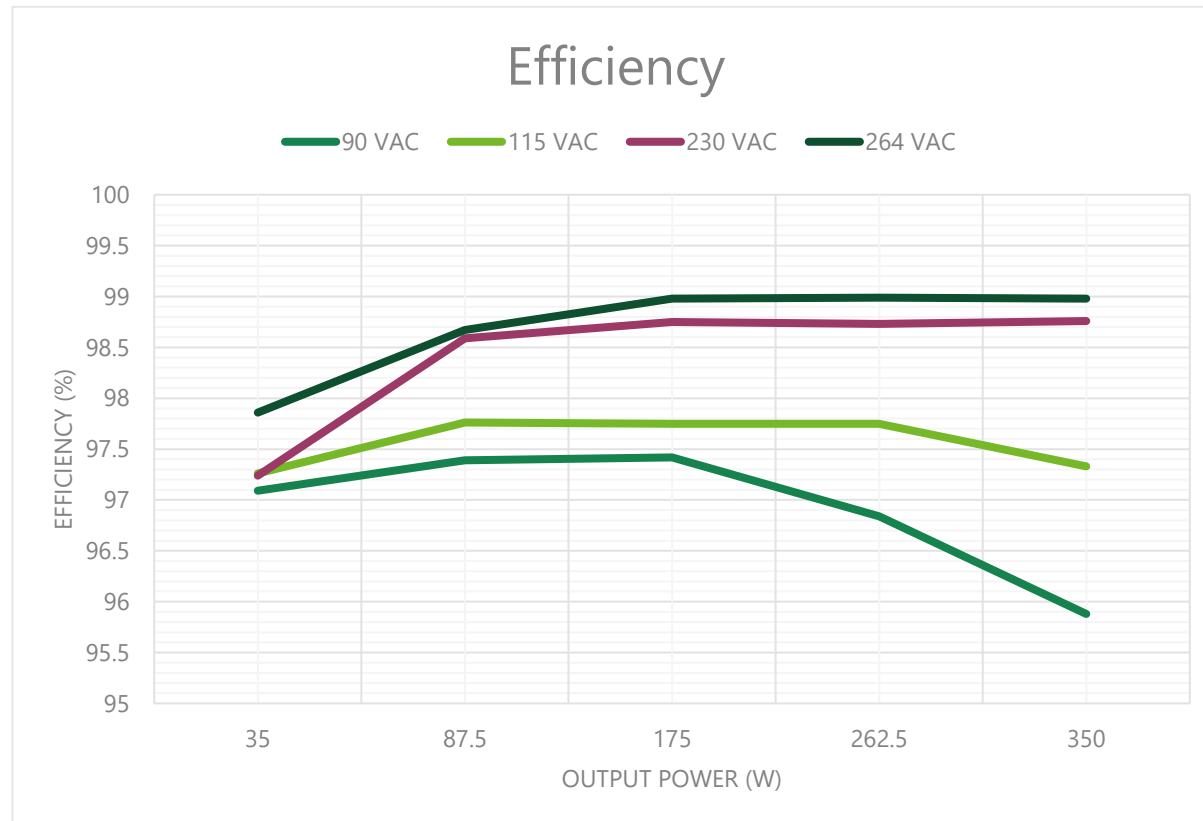


and the slow leg MOSFET



# Test Results

## Efficiency and no-load power

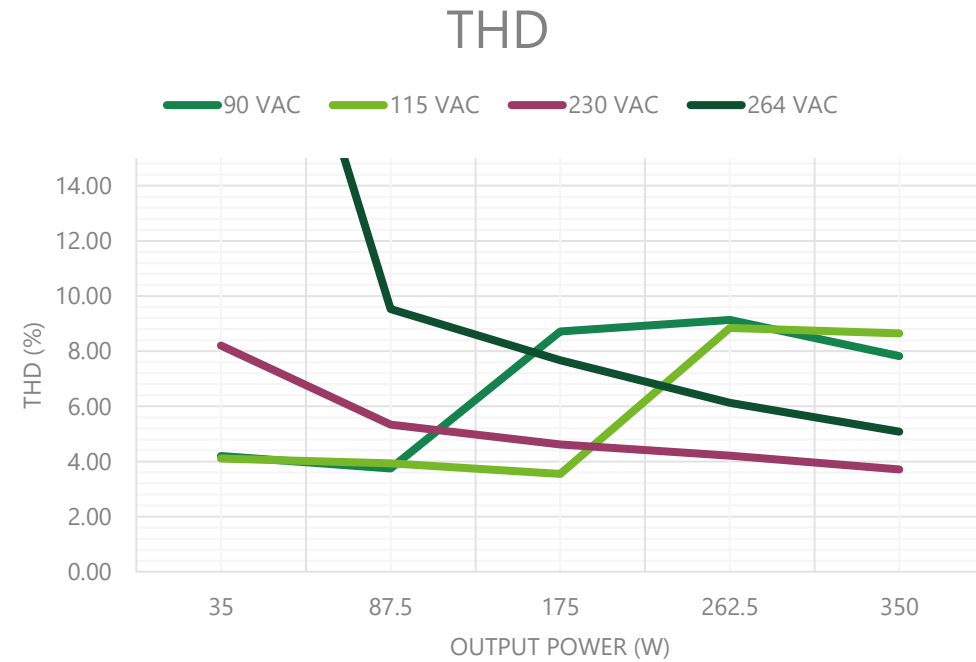
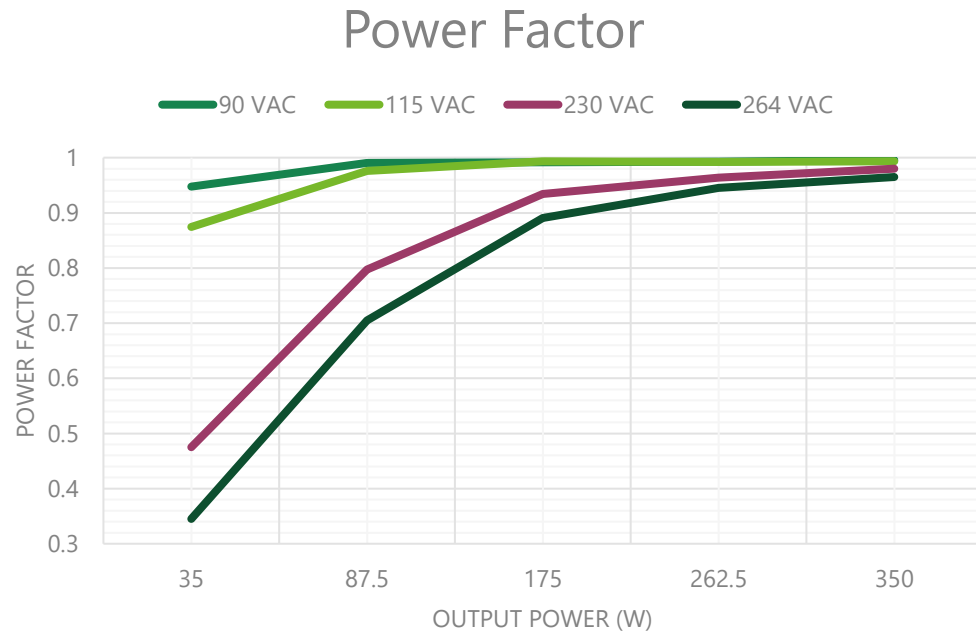


CGD 350 W TPPFC EVB No load Power	
90 V <sub>AC</sub>	30 mW
115 V <sub>AC</sub>	34 mW
230 V <sub>AC</sub>	77 mW
265 V <sub>AC</sub>	90 mW

**High efficiency (peak, average and 10%) & very low no-load power**

# Test Results

## Power Factor & Total Harmonic Distortion

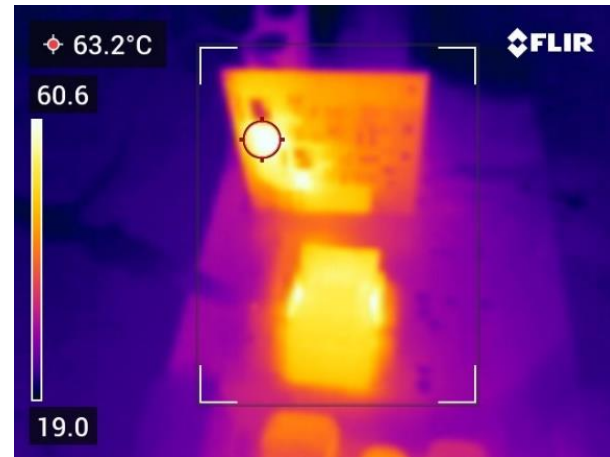


**Power Factor over 95% and THD lower than 10% at full load**

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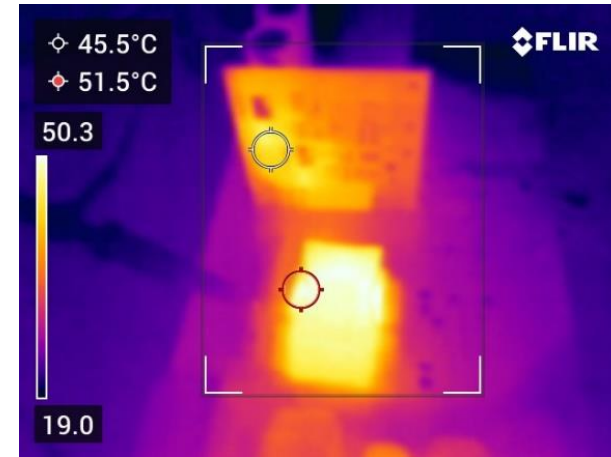
Thermal Operation at Full Load 350 W

115 V<sub>AC</sub>



+ 40 °C

230 V<sub>AC</sub>





+ 26 °C

Thermal measurements with no Heatsink. Good efficiency translates into less thermal stress.

# ICEGAN™ PRODUCT PORTFOLIO

■ = In Production  
 ■ = Consumer  
 ■ = Server and Industrial

H1 SERIES		H2 SERIES	
2022		2023	
 4 PRODUCTS ✓ CONSUMER ✓ LP INDUSTRIAL		 4 PRODUCTS ✓ CONSUMER ✓ LP INDUSTRIAL ✓ OPTIMISED FOR STDBY	
<b>CGD65A055S2</b> 650 V, 55 mΩ, 27 A, 8x8 DFN	<span style="color: #8B4513;">■</span> <span style="color: #388E3C;">■</span>	<b>CGD65A055SH2</b> 650 V, 55 mΩ, 27 A, 8x8 DFN	<span style="color: #8B4513;">■</span> <span style="color: #388E3C;">■</span>
<b>CGD65A130S2</b> 650 V, 130 mΩ, 12A, 8x8 DFN	<span style="color: #8B4513;">■</span>	<b>CGD65A130SH2</b> 650 V, 130 mΩ, 12 A, 8x8 DFN	<span style="color: #8B4513;">■</span>
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<b>CGD65B200S2</b> 650 V, 200 mΩ, 8.5 A, 5x6 DFN	<span style="color: #8B4513;">■</span>	<b>CGD65B240SH2</b> 650 V, 240 mΩ, 7 A, 5x6 DFN	<span style="color: #8B4513;">■</span>

## H1+H2 SERIES

- 1 monolithic chip
- NormOFF eMode GaN
- ICeGaN gate technology
- Advanced clamping structure
  - Integrated Miller Clamp
  - Industry first 2D barcode
- Portfolio of SMD packages
- Integrated current sensing
- **H2 series:** Innovative fully integrated NL<sup>3\*</sup> Circuit

### APPLICATIONS



# Other Relevant Boards

**350 W half bridge LLC Evaluation Board**  
[350W LLC SMPS Evaluation Board | Cambridge GaN Devices](#)

**300 W CrCM totem-pole PFC + HB LLC reference design**  
[A 300 W High-power Density, Compact and Low-profile Design | Cambridge GaN Devices](#)

## APPLICATIONS



*Dare to innovate differently*

*Thank You*

