



**KTH Electrical Engineering**

**COURSE DESCRIPTION**

# **EJ2301 POWER ELECTRONICS**

**6 credits, periods 1-2, autumn 2014**

## ***Introduction***

Electricity plays a vital role in supplying energy to computers, electronics, industrial processes, trains and many other applications. They all have in common that the electrical energy has to be converted and controlled in a precise manner. This course provides in depth knowledge of power converter topologies, their characteristics, and principles for their control. The course also covers the basics of modern power semiconductors.

## ***Aim***

The aim of the course is to give the students tools to be able to analyse and understand the main circuits that are used for power electronic converters.

After having completed the course the student should be able to:

- describe the operating principle for a general power converter by using the basic equations for an inductor and capacitor.
- calculate important quantities like the average value of the output voltage and the fundamental component of the line current.
- explain different operating conditions.
- outline the control of power converters.
- describe modern power semiconductors, their control, and protection.
- dimension and analyze a simple converter both electrically and thermally.

## ***Course structure and language***

There are in total 22 hours of lectures, 16 hours of tutorials and 10 hours of peer assessment. Attendance is not compulsory at lectures and tutorials, but participation at 8 out of 10 hours of peer assessment is required. Lectures and tutorials are given in English. There are 2 compulsory laboratory exercises and 1 compulsory project work.

## ***Distribution of clickers***

Students who have registered for the “EG2100 – Power System Analysis” should use the same device assigned to them for EG2100, and do not need to get a second device.

The devices for students who are registered **ONLY** in the “EJ2301 – Power Electronics” course will be distributed by the teaching assistants during the following dates:

- Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> of September, 10:00 – 11:00, Seminar room, Teknikringen 33, 1 tr.
- Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> of September, 10:00 – 11:00, Seminar room, Teknikringen 33, 1 tr.

You can still contact Diane Sadik later in order to get a clicker assigned to you for use **ONLY** in the “EJ2301 – Power Electronics” course. Note, though, that a late registration will cause you missing bonus points during the past tutorial sessions.

If a clicker is lost, the student has to pay 350 SEK otherwise he/she is not allowed to take the exam.

## **Tutorials**

During the course 8 2h tutorials will be given. The main objective of the tutorials is to show how problems can be solved and to prepare for the written examination. Typically, the problems are solved by a teaching assistant. However, students are encouraged to actively participate, using their individual “clickers” to solve a daily quiz of 3-5 questions given by the teaching assistants during each session. In total, 30 questions will be asked during the 8 tutorial sessions, and for every 5 correct answers each student will be given one bonus point (max 5) on the written examination (only the examination on 16<sup>th</sup> of January 2015).

## **Laboratory exercises (compulsory)**

Lab PE-DC: *DC-DC converters*

Lab. ass.: *Luca Bessegato*

Lab PE-LC: *Line-commutated converters*

Lab. ass.: *Lebing Jin*

Location: Electrical Machines Laboratory, Teknikringen 33, 1 floor down.

Registration to the laboratory exercises should be made on the web following a link which will be sent as a news feed on KTH social. **Students should register before the 15<sup>th</sup> of September for Lab PE-DC and before 6<sup>th</sup> of October for Lab PE-LC.**

The laboratory exercises start with a short (10 min) written examination. In order to pass the examination a student must have acquired a knowledge corresponding to the level necessary to perform the preparatory work in the lab handout. For a very well-performed laboratory exercise, **one bonus point** will be given at the final written examination on the 16<sup>th</sup> of January 2015. This means that a maximum of 2 bonus points from the laboratory exercises can be obtained.

For students not familiar with the Swedish laboratory system, a short introduction is offered on **Monday 15<sup>th</sup> of September 13-15 hrs in the laboratory.**

## **Project work (compulsory)**

Proj. PE-PD: *Design of a step-down converter*. Teach. ass.: *Matthijs Heuvelmans*

The project work is done in groups consisting of 2 students. Each group should prepare its own solution to the design problem but of course discussion among the groups is allowed. A report (2 pages excluding figures) on the project is to be submitted **no later than 1<sup>st</sup> of December**. After submission, it is compulsory to defend the report at a discussion with a teaching assistant. For a very well-performed projects work, **one bonus point** will be given at the final written examination on the 16<sup>th</sup> of January 2015.

Necessary files will be down-loadable from *KTH Social*.

## **Peer assessments (4 out of 5 required)**

Five peer assessments are scheduled during the course in order to encourage continuous studies. Each student has to attend at least four out of five scheduled peer assessments in order to pass the course.

## **Web-based learning in power semiconductor components**

In order to pass the course the student has to complete a web-based learning activity on power semiconductor components. The web-based activity can be found at: <http://bild.kth.se/>

## **Requirements**

In order to pass the course, the student has to participate at 4 out of 5 peer assessments (SEM1; 0,5c), complete the 2 laboratory exercises (LAB1; 0,5c) and the project work (PRO1; 1c), complete the web-based learning in power semiconductors (XUP1; 0,5c), and to sit for a written examination (TEN1; 3,5c). The student is permitted to use a standard mathematical handbook, and a calculator at the exam. The pass mark is 15 out of 30 points. Registration for the exam is compulsory and can be done on the web using a link which will be sent as a news feed on KTH social, **between the 1<sup>st</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> of December**.

Date: Friday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2015, 14:00-19:00, rooms: D33, E31, E32, E33, E35.

Re-sit: not scheduled yet.

## **Additional exam (Fx exam)**

Students that are close to pass the exam will be given a second opportunity to pass it. At the additional exam three problems are given. Each problem can give 3 points and to pass the additional exam, 7 out of a total of 9 points are required. Students that are offered an additional exam will be notified when the result of the first exam is presented.

The additional exam will be given on:

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> of February 2015, 12:00 to 13:00 in the seminar room Teknikringen 33, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor.

## **Course examiner and lecturer**

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## **Student Office (STEX)**

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Monday-Friday 9:30-11:00 and 12:00-14:00.

## **Course material** (Available at the Student Office)

[1] *Mohan/Undeland/Robbins: Power Electronics: Converters, Applications, and Design*, John Wiley & Sons, (0471-42908-2, 2003). Price: SEK 450:-

### Required reading:

Chapter 1; 2 (*except* sections 2.7, 9, 11, 12); 3; 5; 6; 7 (*except* 7.6); 8 (*except* 8.3.3);

10 (*project work*: 10.5-8); (*web activity*: 19; 20; 21; 22; 23; 25); (*project work*: 29).

[2] *Course binder in Power Electronics*. Price: SEK 50:-

## **Complementary course, EJ2420**

In parallel to this course, the division offers a seminar course covering related topics. The seminars give an overview of the area and can be highly recommended. See our home-page for further details.

## **Assistant instructors**

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## **Time schedule**

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### **Lecture 1 Wednesday 3/9, 15-17, M3**

Introduction, Static power conversion	Ch. 1
Power semiconductors	2.1, 2, 4-6, 8, 10
<i>(Review of basic ...</i>	<i>Ch. 3</i>
Inductor and capacitor response	3.2.5
Dc-dc converters, step-down, cont. mode	7.1-7.3.1

### **Lecture 2 Friday 5/9, 10-12, M3**

Dc-dc converters, step-down, disc. mode, voltage ripple	7.3.2-7.3.4
Dc-dc converters, step-up	7.4

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### **Lecture 3 Thursday 11/9, 10-12, M3**

Dc-dc converters, buck-boost	7.5
Full-bridge	7.7
Comparison	7.8

### **Lecture 4 Friday 12/9, 10-12, M3**

Introduction to the project work	
Dc-dc converters cont.	
Dc-motor drives	13.1-13.6.6

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**Tutorial slot on Monday 15/9, 13-15 is replaced by a  
Lab introduction in the Laboratory at Teknikringen 33, one floor down**

<b>Tutorial 1 Wednesday 17/9, 13-15, D33, D35</b>	problems: 3.8; 7.1-3, 5, 7
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<b>Peer assessment 1 Friday 26/9, 10-12, M3</b>	7.1-7.3.1
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### **Lecture 5 Wednesday 1/10, 10-12, M3**

Review of basic el. circuit	3.1, 3.2
Thyristors	2.3
Diode rectifiers	5.1-5.2
Single-phase diode rectifiers	5.3
Fourier analysis	

<b>Peer assessment 2 Friday 3/10, 13-15, Q2</b>	5.3
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### **Lecture 6 Thursday 9/10, 10-12, D3**

Neutral currents	5.5
Three-phase diode rectifiers	5.6
Single-phase thyristor converters, power aspects	6.1-6.3.1

<b>Tutorial 2 Friday 10/10, 13-15, L21, L22</b>	problems: 7.8-16, 18-23
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### **Lecture 7 Monday 13/10, 10-12, B1**

Single-phase thyristor converters	6.3.2-
Three-phase converters	6.4

<b>Tutorial 3 Tuesday 14/10, 8-10, B21, B22</b>	problems: 13.1, 5; 5.1-7, 19, 21
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**Tutorial 4 Thursday 6/11, 8-10, L41, L42** problems: 5.8-11, 23, 26; 6.1-11

**Lecture 8 Thursday 6/11, 13-15, D3**

Cooling	Ch. 29
Single-phase inverter, PWM	8.1-8.2
Single-phase inverter, rectifier operation	8.3-8.3.2

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**Peer assessment 3 Wednesday 12/11, 15-17, D3** 5.6

**Tutorial 5 Friday 14/11, 13-15, E33, E53** problems: 6.11-20; plus extra

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**Lecture 9 Tuesday 18/11, 10-12, M3**

Three-phase inverter	8.4
Effect of blanking time in PWM inverters	8.5
Other modulation schemes	8.6
Rectifier mode	8.7

**Lecture 10 Wednesday 19/11, 13-15, Q2**

Review of basic magn. circuits	3.3
Switching dc power supplies	10.1-10.4.3

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**Tutorial 6 Tuesday 25/11, 8-10, D33, D35** problems: 8.1-4

**Peer assessment 4 Wednesday 26/11, 13-15, D3** 8.4, 8.7

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**Lecture 11 Wednesday 3/12, 13-15, B3**

Switching dc power supplies	10.4.4-10.4.8
Recap.	

**Tutorial 7 Friday 5/12, 13-15, D32, D33** problems: 8.7-12

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**Tutorial 8 Wednesday 10/12, 13-15, M32, M35** problems: 10.2-8

**Peer Assessment 5 Thursday 11/12, 13-15, D3** 10.1-10.4

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**Examination Friday 16/1, 14-19, D33, E31, E32, E33, E35**

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**Additional Exam (Fx exam) Friday 13/2, 12-13, seminar room, Teknikringen 33, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor**