
Chapter 7

Cautions

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1. Precautions for use

- This IPM should be used within their absolute maximum rating (voltage, current, temperature, etc.). This IPM may be broken if used beyond the rating.
- Don't design and use the IPM in excess of the absolute maximum ratings (voltage, current and temperature). The IPM might be damaged if the IPM is used in excess of the absolute maximum ratings.
- Please refer this Application Manual (MT6M1234) about detailed information for usage, PCB layout, and mounting instruction.
- The equipment containing this IPM should have adequate fuses or circuit breakers to prevent the equipment from causing secondary destruction (ex. fire, explosion etc.).
- Please confirm the turn-off current and voltage are within the RBSOA.
- Consider the possible temperature rise not only for the junction and case, but also for the outer leads. Please confirm these temperatures are within the absolute maximum ratings.
- The IPM is made of incombustible material. However, if the IPM fails, it may emit smoke or flame. When operating the IPM near any flammable place or material may cause the IPM to emit smoke or flame in case the IPM become even hotter during operation. Please take measures to prevent the spread of fire.
- Do not touch the leads or package of the IPM directly while power is supplied or during operation in order to avoid electric shock and burns.
- Connect an appropriate ceramic capacitor between Vcc terminal and ground to prevent high frequency noise such as switching noise.
- The IPM might be damaged when a noise is applied to the control terminals. Please use the IPM after confining the effect of noise.
- The high-side IGBTs are possibly turned on if the VB voltage reduced to less than $V_{B(off)}$. Please connect appropriate ceramic capacitors between VB(U) and U terminal, VB(V) and V terminal, VB(W) and W terminal respectively.
- The input signal voltage should be higher than the threshold voltage.
- Use this IPM within their reliability and lifetime under certain environments or conditions. This IPM may fail before the target lifetime of your products if used under certain reliability conditions. If the IPM is used in excess of the reliability, the IPM might be broken before the system life time.
- The life time of the semiconductor products is NOT unlimited. Please consider the thermal fatigue caused by temperature cycle due to self-generated heat. Please use the IPM within the ΔT_J power cycle lifetime and ΔT_c power cycle lifetime. The ΔT_c power cycle depends on the case temperature (T_c) rise and fall, and the T_c is affected by the cooling conditions of the system. Please consider the heat generation of the IPM and design the cooling condition to achieve target life time.
- The IPM should not used in an environment in the presence of acid, organic matter, or corrosive gas (hydrogen sulfide, sulfurous acid gas etc.)
- The IPM may not used in an irradiated environment since they are not radiation-proof.
- It is recommended that any handling of the IPM is done on grounded electrically conductive floor and tablemats.
- Be careful when handling this IPM for ESD damage. (It is an important consideration.)
- When handling the IPM, hold them by the case (package) and don't touch the leads and terminals.
- Before touching the IPM, discharge any static electricity from your body and clothes by grounding out through a high impedance resistor (about $1M\Omega$)
- When soldering, in order to protect the IPM from static electricity, ground the soldering iron or soldering bath through a low impedance resistor.
- Don't apply a mechanical force to deforming the terminals.
- During open short test, the internal of the IPM might explode instantaneously and the resin mold package might be blown off when high voltage is applied to the low voltage terminals. Make sure in your design that during open short test, high voltage will not be applied to the low terminals. To avoid accidents and explosion damage if high voltage is applied, use fuses in your design.

2. Precautions on storage

- It is recommended to storage the IPM under the temperature of 5 to 35°C and relative humidity of 45 to 75%. If the storage area is very dry, a humidifier may be required. In such a case, use only deionized water or boiled water, since the chlorine in tap water may corrode the leads.
- The IPM may not be subjected to rapid changes in temperature to avoid condensation on the surface of the IPM. Therefore store the IPM in a place where the temperature is steady.
- The IPM should not be stored on top of each other, since this may cause excessive external force on the case. When the IPM stored in packing box, to avoid deformation of the box, please load the box correctly.
- The IPM should be stored with the lead terminals remaining unprocessed. Rust may cause presoldered connections to fail during later processing.
- The IPM should be stored in antistatic containers or shipping bags.
- Under the above storage condition, the shelf life is one year.

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 - Inverter for Compressor motor or fan motor for Room Air Conditioner
 - Inverter for Compressor motor for heat pump applications.
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 - Trunk communications equipment
 - Gas leakage detectors with an auto-shutoff function
 - Safety devices, etc.
 - Traffic-signal control equipment
 - Disaster prevention / security equipment
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 - Submarine repeater equipment
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