

**Module Description**

# Advanced Electronic Design

**General Information**
**Number of ECTS Credits**

3

**Module code**

TSM\_AdvEIDes

**Responsible of module**

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**Language**
**Explanations regarding the language definitions for each location:**

- Instruction is given in the language defined below for each location/each time the module is held.
- Documentation is available in the languages defined below. Where documents are in several languages, the percentage distribution is shown (100% = all the documentation).
- The examination is available 100% in the languages shown for each location/each time it is held.

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Instruction	<input type="checkbox"/> E 100%	<input type="checkbox"/> E 100%	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> F 100%	<input type="checkbox"/> E 100% <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> E 100% <input type="checkbox"/> D 100%
Documentation	<input type="checkbox"/> E 100%	<input type="checkbox"/> E 100%	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> E 100% <input type="checkbox"/> F %	<input type="checkbox"/> E 100% <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> E 100% <input type="checkbox"/> E % <input type="checkbox"/> D %
Examination	<input type="checkbox"/> E 100%	<input type="checkbox"/> E 100%	<input type="checkbox"/> E 100% <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> F 100%	<input type="checkbox"/> E 100% <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> E 100% <input type="checkbox"/> E 100% <input type="checkbox"/> D 100%

**Module category**

- FTP Fundamental theoretical principles
- TSM Technical/scientific specialization module
- CM Context module

**Lessons**

2 lecture periods and 1 tutorial period per week

**Entry-level competencies**
**Prerequisites, previous knowledge**

The student must have knowledge and experience in the following areas:

- Circuit analysis
- Electrical and magnetic fields
- Active and passive electronic components, operational amplifiers
- AD and DA conversion principle
- Digital circuits

**Brief course description of module objectives and content**

This Advanced Electronic Design module gives to the students the key elements for the development of high performance electronic systems. These systems are characterized by:

- a mixed-signal PCB (Printed Circuit Board)
- the presence of sensitive analogue circuits and signals
- the presence of complex and high-speed digital ICs (Integrated Circuits)

**Aims, content, methods**
**Learning objectives and acquired competencies**

- The student masters the technologies used in the development of high-performance printed circuit boards.
- The student is able to design a high-performance electronic board composed of sensitive analogue, mixed signal and high speed digital circuits.
- The student is able to implement high-speed and high-resolution signal processing chains based on A/D and D/A converters, analogue functions blocs and complex digital ICs

**Contents of module with emphasis on teaching content**

The topics of this module can be grouped into three different subject areas. Therefore three courses are proposed. Each course is taught by a different person.

Course	Title	Weeks	Emphasis
1	High-performance PCB development : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PCB technologies: materials, multi-layers, micro vias</li> <li>• PCB design: EMC, signal integrity, grounding and power supply routing, decoupling, transmission lines and effects, simulation tools</li> <li>• Board assembly: IC package, chip-on-board, soldering, heat transfer, testability</li> </ul>	1 – 4	~30%
2	High-speed digital electronic design : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• high-speed signaling and timing, clock distribution, skew, jitter, latch-based design, low-power</li> </ul>	5 – 8	~30%
3	Advanced analogue electronic design : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advanced operational amplifier applications: low level and sensor signal conditioning, electronic noise, high-speed and low-power amplifiers, simulation tools, frequency response analysis</li> <li>• Advanced ADC and DAC implementations: high-speed, high-resolution, sigma-delta converter, low-power, anti-aliasing and post-filter</li> </ul>	9 – 14	~40%

#### Teaching and learning methods

- Lecture
- Exercises
- Presentation and discussion of case studies
- Self-study of the presented cases and exercises

#### Literature

*The Data Conversion Handbook*, Walt Kester, Analog devices, March 2004.

*High Speed Signal Propagation: Advanced Black Magic*, Howard Johnson – Martin Graham, Prentice Hall, 2003.

*Op Amps for everyone*, Ron Mancini, Texas Instruments, 2002.

#### Assessment

##### Certification requirements for final examinations (conditions for attestation)

None

##### Basic principle for exams:

**All the standard final exams for modules are written exams.  
The repetition exams can be either written or oral.**

##### Standard final exam for a module and written repetition exam

Kind of Exam	written
Duration of exam	120 minutes
Permissible aids	<input type="checkbox"/> no aids <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> permissible aids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Electronical aids: pocket calculator</li> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hardcopy form: Course material</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/></li> </ul>

##### Special case: Repetition exam as an oral exam

If an oral exam is set (only possible for  $\leq 4$  students), the following applies:

Kind of Exam	oral
Duration of exam	30 minutes
Permissible aids	no aids