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Part 4: Microwave diodes and transistors**

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# SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICES – DISCRETE DEVICES –

## Part 4: Microwave diodes and transistors

### 1 Scope

This part of IEC 60747 gives requirements for the following categories of discrete devices:

- variable capacitance diodes and snap-off diodes (for tuning, up-converter or harmonic multiplication, switching, limiting, phased shift, parametric amplification);
- mixer diodes and detector diodes;
- avalanche diodes (for direct harmonic generation, amplification);
- gunn diodes (for direct harmonic generation);
- bipolar transistors (for amplification, oscillation);
- field-effect transistors (for amplification, oscillation).

### 2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

IEC 60050-702, *International Electrotechnical Vocabulary – Chapter 702: Oscillations, signals and related devices* (available at: <<http://www.electropedia.org>>)

IEC 60747-1:2006, *Semiconductor devices – Part 1: General*  
IEC 60747-1/AMD 1:2010

IEC 60747-7:2000, *Semiconductor devices – Part 7: Bipolar transistors*

IEC 60747-8:2000, *Semiconductor devices – Part 8: Field-effect transistors*

### 3 Variable capacitance, snap-off diodes and fast-switching schottky diodes

#### 3.1 Variable capacitance diodes

##### 3.1.1 General

The provisions of this part deal with diodes (excluding snap-off diodes) in which the variable capacitance effect is used; they cover four applications: tuning, harmonic multiplication, switching (including limiting), parametric amplification.

The devices for these applications are defined as follows:

##### *Diodes for tuning*

Diodes which are used to vary the frequency of a tuned circuit. These diodes are usually characterized a frequency of resonance much higher than the frequency of use and have a known capacitance/voltage relationship.

##### *Diodes for harmonic multiplication*

These diodes must have a non-linear capacitance/voltage relationship at the frequency of