

Capacitor Design & Characteristics

For each component type we will discuss the materials used in the design, how differences in construction techniques affect their performance, and important characteristics to consider in your design.

Ceramic Capacitors

Polymer Capacitors

Tantalum Capacitors

Film X&Y and Power Film Capacitors

AC Line Filter

Aluminum Electrolytic Capacitors

Filters

Application Areas

Applying the information learn in the previous sections, discussions focus on how to apply those characteristics to real-world applications.

Parasitics in Capacitors

Dielectric Comparison

X2 Suppression Capacitors

AC Line Filters

Self-Heating

Film versus Aluminum Electrolytic Capacitors

Tantalum Capacitors versus Polymer Capacitors and MLCC's

KSIM

Self-Resonance Frequency

End of Life Calculations

Filters and Power Factor Correction