Universitatea Naţională de Ştiinţă şi Tehnologie Politehnica Bucureşti
Facultatea de Electronică, Telecomunicaţii şi
Tehnologia Informaţiei

COURSE DESCRIPTION

1. Program identification information

1.1 Higher education institution	**National University of Science and Technology Politehnica Bucharest**
1.2 Faculty	**Electronics, Telecommunications and Information Technology**
1.3 Department	**Electronic Devices, Circuits and Architectures**
1.4 Domain of studies	Electronic Engineering, Telecommunications and Information Technology
1.5 Cycle of studies	Bachelor/Undergraduate
1.6 Programme of studies	Microelectronics, Optoelectronics and Nanotechnologies

2. Date despre disciplină

2.1 Course name (ro) (en)				Modele SPICE			
2.2 Course Lecturer				Prof. Dr. Cristian Ravariu			
2.3 Instructor for practical activities				Prof. Dr. Cristian Ravariu			
2.4 Year of studies	2	2.5 Semester	2	2.6. Evaluation type	V	2.7 Course regime	Op
2.8 Course type		D	2.9 Course code	04.D.04.A.022		2.10 Tipul de notare	Nota

3. Total estimated time (hours per semester for academic activities)

3.1 Number of hours per week	2	Out of which: 3.2 course	1	3.3 seminary/laboratory	1
3.4 Total hours in the curricula	28	Out of which: 3.5 course	14	3.6 seminary/laboratory	14
Distribution of time:					hours
Study according to the manual, course support, bibliography and hand notes Supplemental documentation (library, electronic access resources, in the field, etc) Preparation for practical activities, homework, essays, portfolios, etc.					20
Tutoring					10
Examinations					10
Other activities (if any):					7

3.7 Total hours of individual study	47.00
3.8 Total hours per semester	75
3.9 Number of ECTS credit points	3

4. Prerequisites (if applicable) (where applicable)

4.1 Curriculum	The fundamental course of Electronic Devices
4.2 Results of learning	General knowledge of physics, electronic devices and software simulation of electronic circuits

5. Necessary conditions for the optimal development of teaching activities (where applicable)

5.1 Course	The course will take place in a room equipped with a video projector or on the MSTEams platform
5.2 Seminary/ Laboratory/Project	The laboratory will be conducted in a specific room, which must include: computers, Internet connection, SPICE electronic circuit simulator or MSTeams platform, etc, students with computers with a SPICE simulator installed.

6. General objective *(Reffering to the teachers' intentions for students and to what the students will be thought during the course. It offers an idea on the position of course in the scientific domain, as well as the role it has for the study programme. The course topics, the justification of including the course in the currcula of the study programme, etc. will be described in a general manner)*

Familiarizing students with active component models in SPICE simulators based on the acquisition of general theoretical and practical knowledge on the main model parameters. The overall objective is achieved by:

highlighting model parameters and methods of their extraction.

practical application of pattern selection in SPICE simulators for editing and analyzing electronic circuit schemas.

use of parameter extractor sub-programmes necessary to create new models for non-existent active components in libraries or to validate new models

classification and hierarchy of SPICE models;

streamlining the running of simulation programs by ensuring the optimum between the complexity, the number of parameters, the robustness and the precision of the chosen model.

7. Competences *(Proven capacity to use knowledge, aptitudes and personal, social and/or methodological abilities in work or study situations and for personal and proffesional growth. They refflect the empolyers requirements.)*

Specific Competences	C1. Use of fundamental elements relating to electronic devices, circuits, systems, instrumentation and technology C2 Multiple skills to work as an integrated microsystem designer, of medium complexity, or as a process technologist (using state-of-the-art software tools and micro-nanoelectronic technologies C3 . Modeling and processing of integrated devices and circuits using modern micro and nanoelectronic technologies
Transversal (General) Competences	CT1 Adaptation to new technologies, professional and personal development, through continuous training using printed documentation sources, specialized software and electronic resources in Romanian and at least, in a language of international circulation. CT2 Honorable, responsible, ethical behavior in the spirit of the law to ensure the reputation of the profession CT3 Awareness of the need for continuous training; efficient use of learning resources and techniques for personal and professional development

8. Learning outcomes *(Synthetic descriptions for what a student will be capable of doing or showing at the completion of a course. The learning outcomes reflect the student's acomplishments and to a lesser extent the teachers' intentions. The learning outcomes inform the students of what is expected from them with respect to performance and to obtain the desired grades and ECTS points. They are defined in concise terms, using verbs similar to the examples below and indicate what will be required for evaluation. The learning outcomes will be formulated so that the correlation with the competences defined in section 7 is highlighted.)*

Knowledge	*The result of knowledge aquisition through learning. The knowledge represents the totality of facts, priciples, theories and practices for a given work or study field. They can be theoretical and/or factual.* List the fundamental models of bipolar alediodes and transistors Define model parameters Describe/classify model parameters Highlights the peculiarities of special constructive solutions
Skills	*The capacity to apply the knowledge and use the know-how for completing tasks and solving problems. The skills are described as being cognitive (requiring the use of logical, intuitive and creative thinking) or practical (implying manual dexterity and the use of methods, materials, tools and intrumentation).* Selects and groups relevant information about the constructive types of diodes and bipolar transistors. Arguably uses specific principles in order to preserve or neglect some model parameters. Work productively in a team to carry out the laboratory. Elaborates a scientific text in the drafting of laboratory reports. Experimentally check the solutions of model parameter extraction. Solves practical applications within the laboratory, processing datasets from catalog sheets. Adequately interprets causal relationships between extracted values. Analyzes and compares the values of the extracted parameters in the laboratory works. Identifies solutions and elaborates laboratory reports . Conclusions on the experiments carried out. Arguments the solutions identified in the practical applications.
Responsability and autonomy	*The student's capacity to autonomously and responsably apply their knowledge and skills.* Select appropriate bibliographic sources and analyze them. Respect the principles of academic ethics, correctly quoting the used bibliographic sources. Demonstrate responsiveness for new learning contexts. Demonstrates collaboration with other colleagues and teachers in carrying out teaching activities Demonstrates autonomy in organizing the learning situation/context or problem-solving situation Promotes/contributes through new solutions, related to the specialty field. Awareness of the value of its contribution to the field of engineering in identifying viable/sustainable solutions Apply ethical principles

9. Teaching techniques *(Student centric techniques will be considered. The means for students to participate in defining their own study path, the identification of eventual fallbacks and the remedial measures that will be adopted in those cases will be described.)*

Building on the analysis of students' learning characteristics and their specific needs, the teaching process will explore teaching methods both expository (lecture, exposure) and conversational-interactive, based on learning by discovery models facilitated by direct and indirect exploration of reality (experiment, demonstration, modeling), but also on action-based methods such as exercise, exercise, and, practical activities and problem solving.

Lectures will be used in the teaching activity, based on PowerPoint presentations or different Internet pages that will be made available to students. Each course will start with the recapitulation of the chapters already covered, with an emphasis on the notions taken at the last course.

The presentations use images and schemes so that the information presented is easily understood and assimilated.

This discipline covers information and practical activities designed to support students in their learning efforts and to develop optimal relationships of collaboration and communication in a climate conducive to learning through discovery.

10. Contents

COURSE		
Chapter	**Content**	**No. hours**
1	1. Presentation of the SPICE program as an electronic circuit simulator. The problem of modeling in the current software context. Models – Model parameters – Parameter extractors – Extraction algorithms.	2
2	2. SPICE models of diodes. Declaring a Diode in SPICE. Calling the library with model parameters. Modeling of static diode regime in SPICE. Modeling the dynamic diode regime in SPICE. Applications.	2
3	3. SPICE models of bipolar transistors. Declaring a TB in SPICE. Start model – Ebers-Moll Fundamental; series resistors, Early Effect, Generation-recombination currents effect, high injection level2	2
4	4. Modeling the dynamic regime in SPICE. Capacity for transition. Diffusion capabilities. Extraction of model parameters. The complete circuit of TB	4
5	MOSFETs SOICE Models	2
6	Final revision	2
	Total:	14

Bibliography:

- L. Dobrescu, D. Dobrescu Curs Modele SPICE
  Moodle https://archive.curs.upb.ro/2021/course/view.php?id=9649
- L. Dobrescu, D.Dobrescu, "Rezolvarea si simularea in SPICE a circuitelor electronice ", Ed. Politehnica Press, ISBN 978-606-9608-26-5, 2022
- Andrei Vladimirescu, ” SPICE”, Traducere in limba română cu exercitii, Editura Tehnica, 1999.
- A. Rusu, “Modelarea Componentelor Microelectronice Active“, Ed. Academiei Române, 1990.
- D. Dobrescu “ Analiza circuitelor electronice de la functie catre dispozitiv “,Ed. Printech, 2004.
- C. Ravariu, A. Rusu, “Modele SPICE ale componentelor microelectronice ”, Ed. MatrixRom, 2006.
- L.Dobrescu, D. Dobrescu, “Basics of the semiconductor devices physics “, Printech Publishing House, 2005

LABORATORY

Crt. no.	Content	No. hours
1	Simulation in SPICE of multiple circuits with diodes, with emphasis on editing the list of model parameters, in the PSPICE environment from CADENCE ORCAD Cis-LITE 16.6	4
2	Extraction of parameters for diodes with extraction sub-programme , comparative and advanced simulations (diode as temperature sensor), using PSPICE from CADENCE ORCAD Cis-LITE 16.6	4
3	Using the LTSpiceIV program to simulate circuits with Bipolar Transistors	4
4	Final revision	2
	Total:	14

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- C. Ravariu, A.Rusu, “Modele SPICE ale componentelor microelectronice “, Ed. MatrixRom, 2006.
- https://www.orcad.com/resources/download-orcad-lite
- https://www.analog.com/en/design-center/design-tools-and-calculators/ltspice-simulator.html

11. Evaluation

Activity type	11.1 Evaluation criteria	11.2 Evaluation methods	11.3 Percentage of final grade
11.4 Course			

11.5 Seminary/laboratory/project			
11.6 Passing conditions			
Obtaining 50% of the laboratory score during the semester. Compliance with UPB regulation on promotion conditions.			

12. Corroborate the content of the course with the expectations of representatives of employers and representative professional associations in the field of the program, as well as with the current state of knowledge in the scientific field approached and practices in higher education institutions in the European Higher Education Area (EHEA)

The content of the discipline is largely similar to that of disciplines with the same objectives taught in universities in the European Union. The content of the discipline is continuously updated and adapted following consultations with representatives of the business environment in Bucharest.

Date	Course lecturer	Instructor(s) for practical activities
25.09.2025	Prof. Dr. Cristian Ravariu	Prof. Dr. Cristian Ravariu

Date of department approval	Head of department
26.09.2025	Prof. Dr. Claudius Dan

Date of approval in the Faculty Council	Dean
26.09.2025	Prof. Dr. Mihnea Udrea