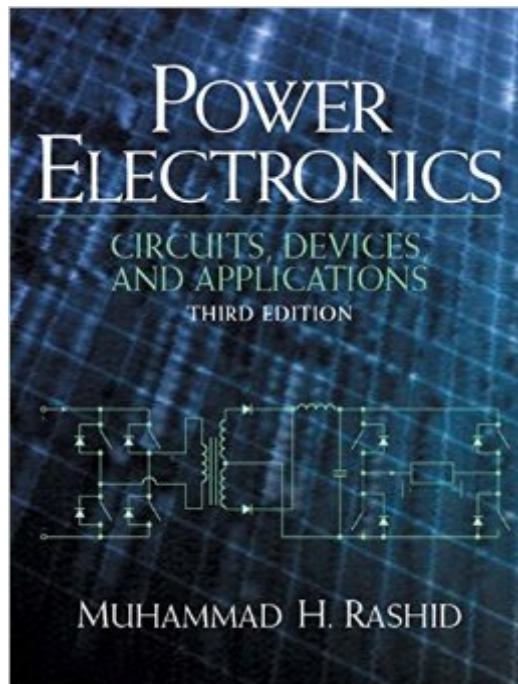




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An exploration of the state-of- the-art in power conversion techniques and power semiconductor devices. --This text refers to the Hardcover edition.

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Rashid's textbook on power electronics lacks clear explanations of basic concepts, not to mention the poor writing style. I would suggest not to waste money on this text as professors/instructors who assign it as a required material are somehow affiliated with Rashid.

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