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(57)**ABSTRACT**

There is provided a protection device capable of protecting a load drive system at an appropriate timing according to the temperature of a power semiconductor.

A protection device includes: a capacitor that outputs a voltage according to a charge accumulated by a first current; and a protection circuit that determines whether or not the voltage output by the capacitor exceeds a certain threshold value, generates a second current having a magnitude according to information related to the temperature of a power semiconductor which drives a load, and changes the magnitude of the first current based on the generated second

