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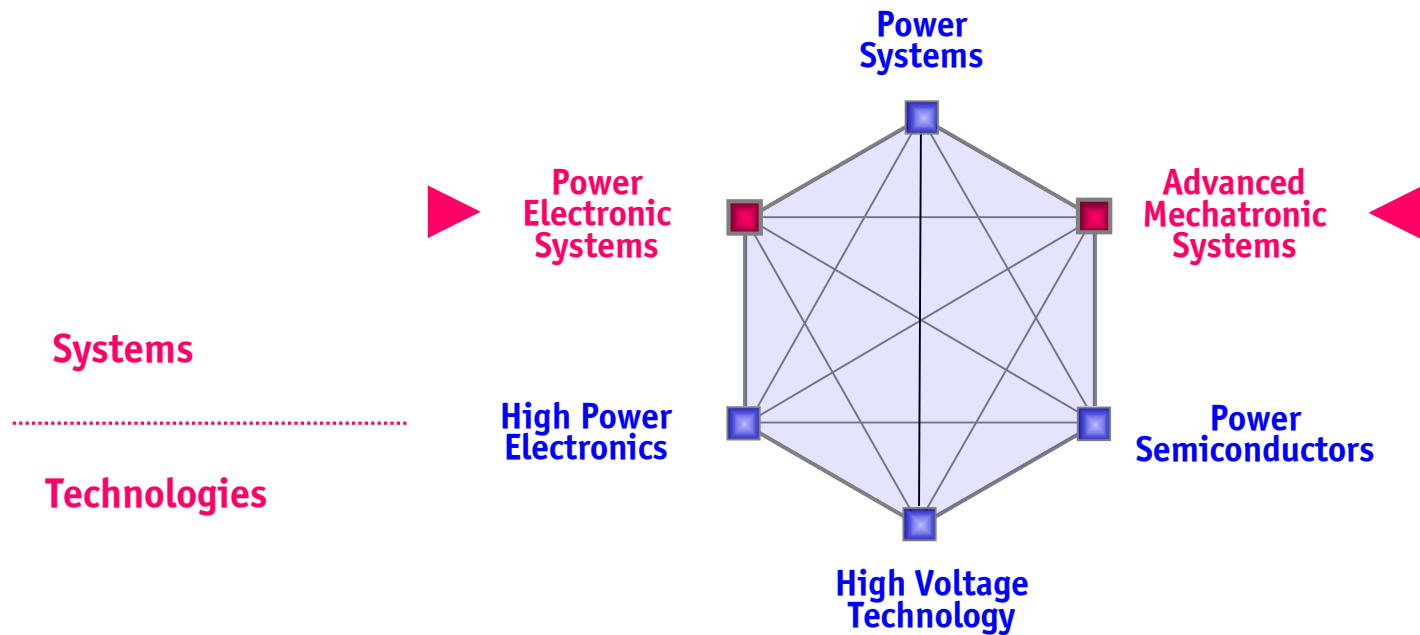
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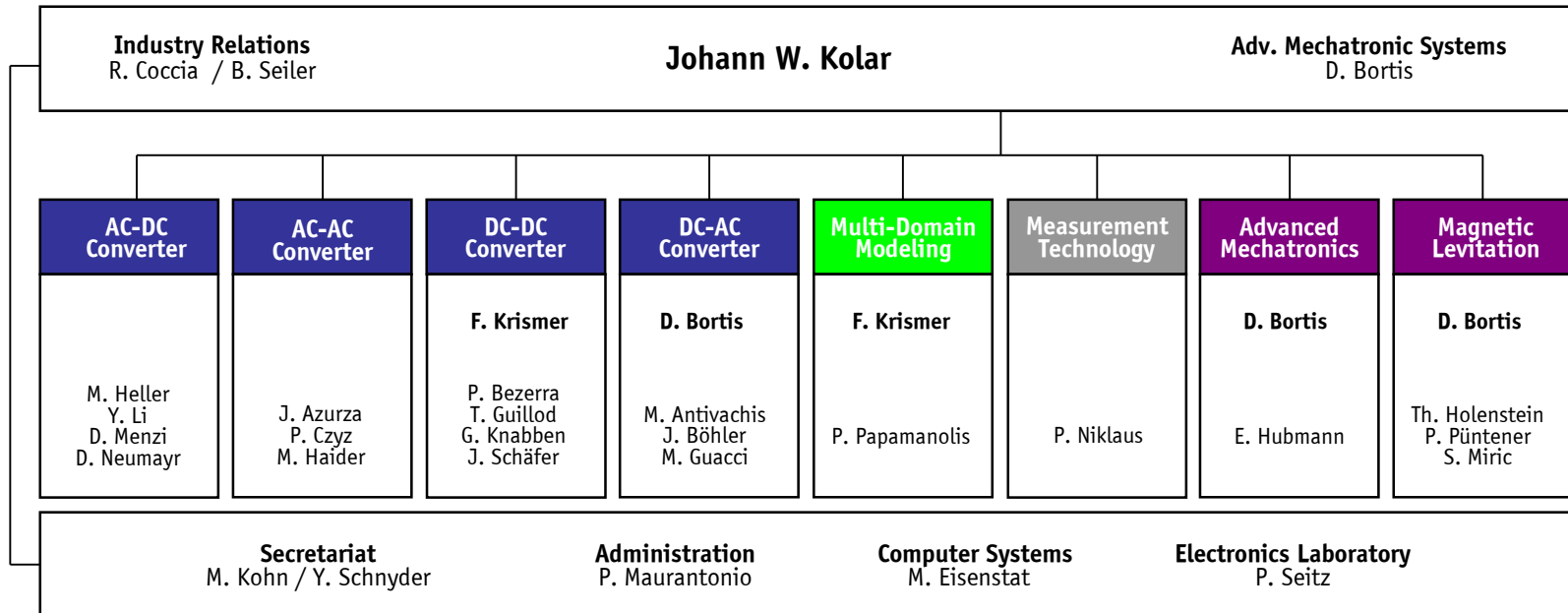
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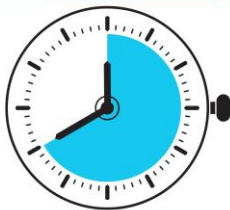


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Outline

- ▶ *Introduction*
- ▶ *SiC/GaN VSD Application Challenges*
- ▶ *Adv. PWM Inverter Topologies*
- ▶ *Adv. PWM Rectifier Topologies*
- ▶ *Conclusions*

40 MINUTES



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3- Φ Variable Speed Drive Inverter Systems

*State-of-the-Art
Future Requirements*

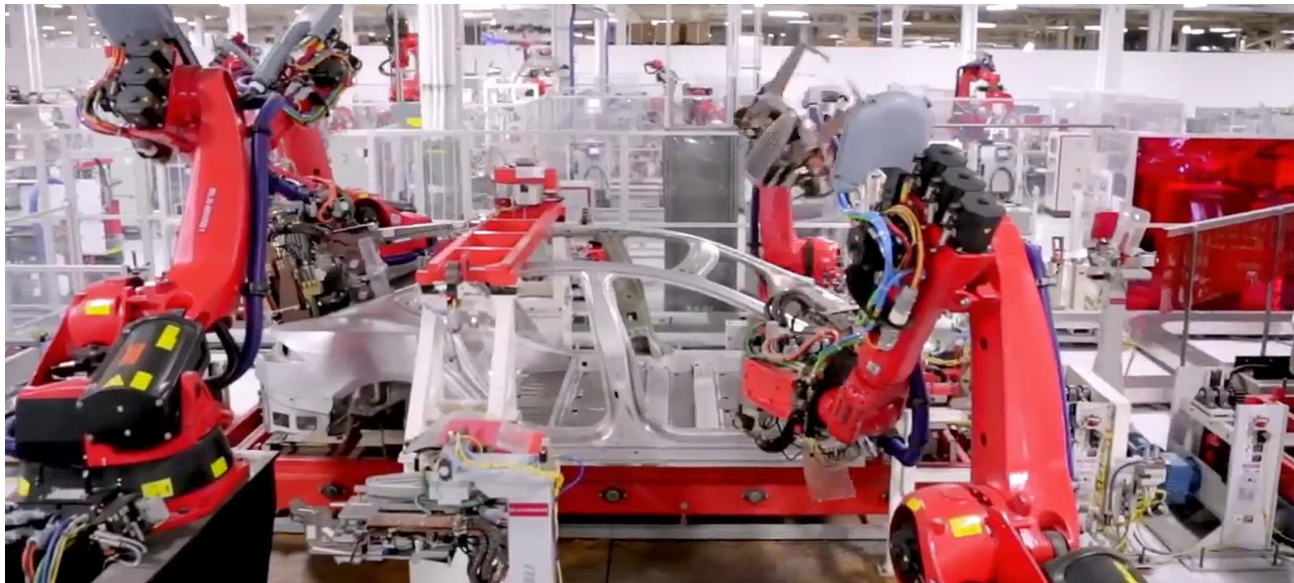


► Applications of Drive Systems

- Industry Automation / Robotics
- Material Machining / Processing – Drilling, Milling, etc.
- Pumps / Fans / Compressors
- Transportation
- etc., etc.

.... Everywhere !

Source:  TESLA MOTORS

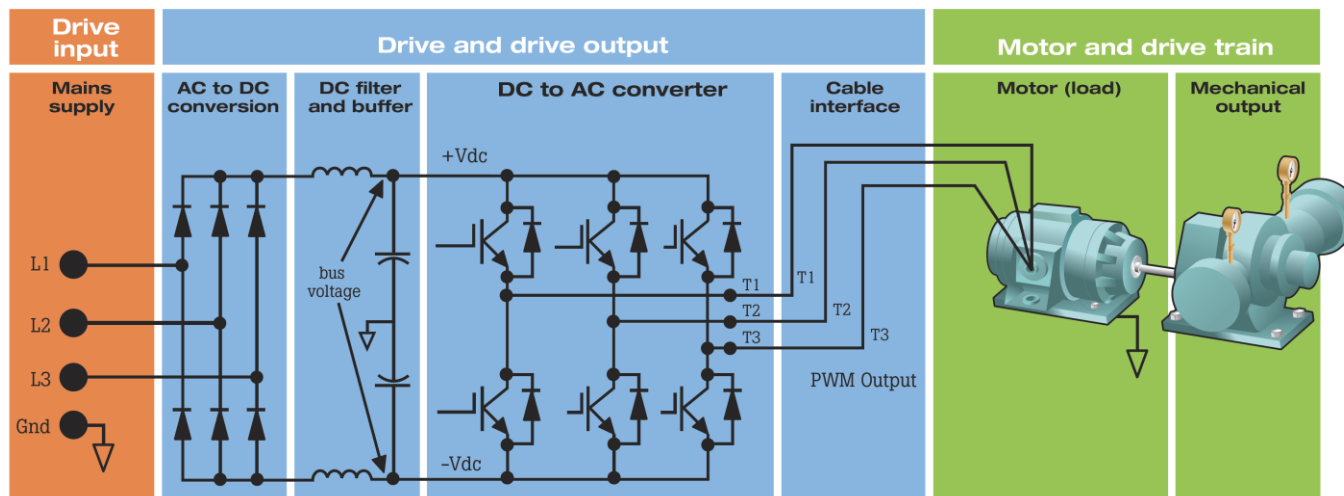


- 60% of El. Energy Used in Industry Consumed by VSDs

► VSD State-of-the-Art

- **Mains Interface / 3- Φ PWM Inverter / Motor — All Separated**
 - **Large Installation Space** / \$\$\$
 - **Complicated / Expert Installation** / \$\$\$
- **Conducted EMI / Radiated EMI / Bearing Currents / Reflections on Long Motor Cables**
 - **Shielded Motor Cables** / \$\$\$
 - **Inverter Output Filters (Add. Vol.)** / \$\$\$

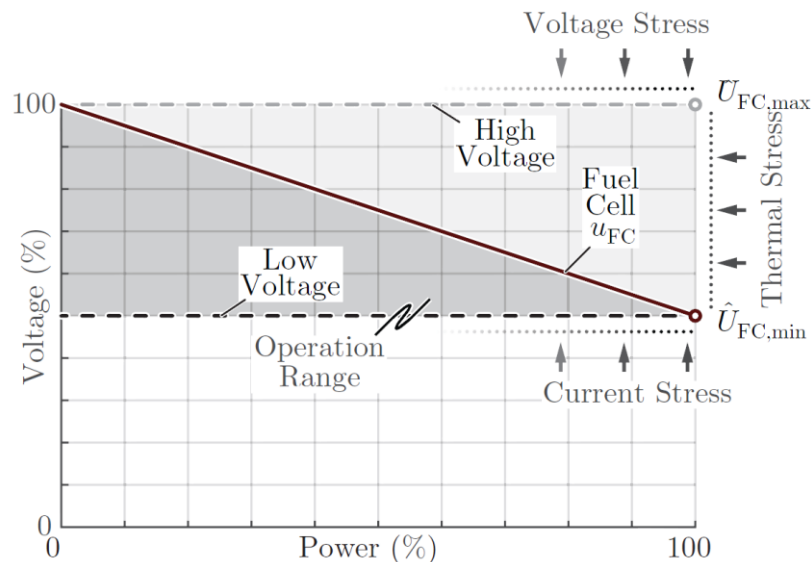
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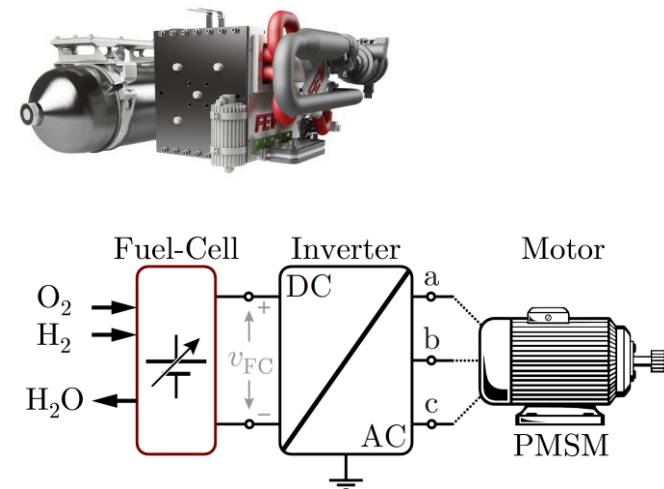
- **High Performance @ High Level of Complexity / High Costs (!)**

► Future Requirements (1)

- **“Non-Expert” Install. / Low-Cost Motors** → **“Sinus-Inverter”**
- **Wide Applicability / Wide Voltage & Speed Range** → **Matching of Supply & Motor Voltage**
- **High Availability**



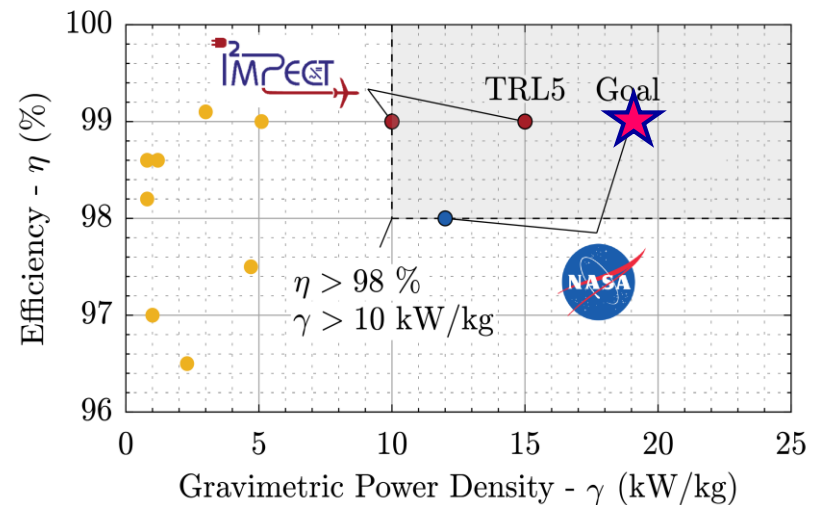
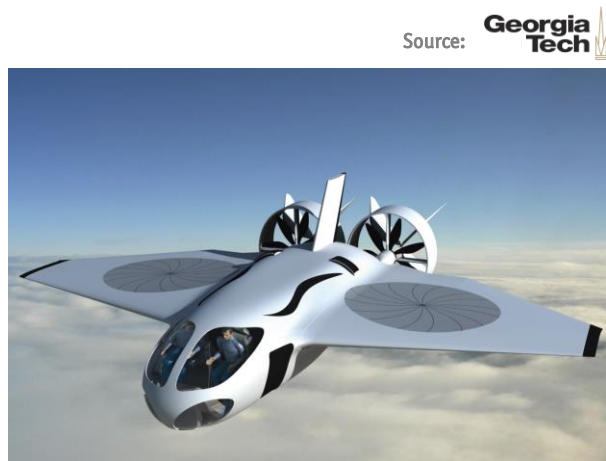
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- **Single-Stage Energy Conversion** → **No Add. Converter for Voltage Adaption**

► Future Requirements (2)

- *Red. Inverter Volume / Weight* → *Matching of Low High-Speed Motor Volume*
- *Lower Cooling Requirement* → *Low Inverter Losses & HF Motor Losses*
- *High Speed Machines* → *High Output Frequency Range*



→ Main “Enablers” — *SiC/GaN Power Semiconductors & Adv. Inverter Topologies*

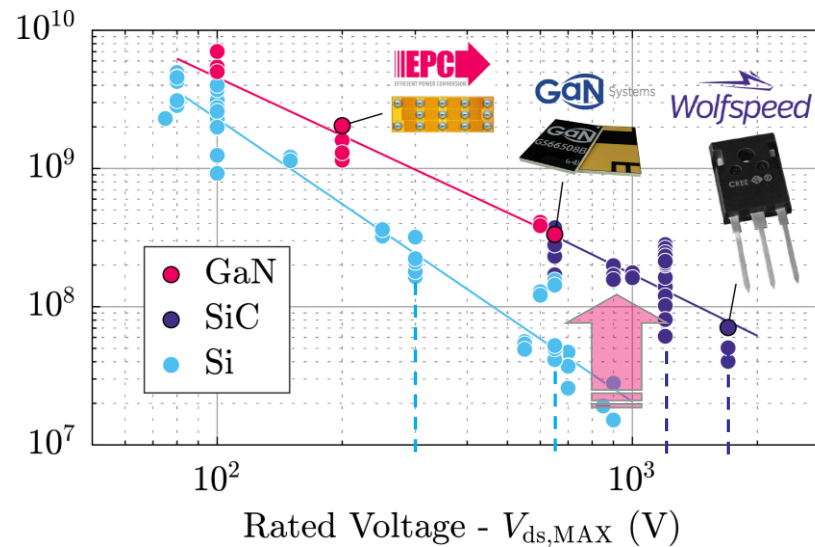
Enabling Technologies & Challenges

*WBG Semiconductors
Advanced Inverter Topologies*

► SiC/GaN

- *Very Low On-State Resistance* → *Low (Partial Load) Conduction Losses*
- *Very Low Switching Losses* → *High Switching Frequencies*
- *Small Chip Area* → *Compact Realization*

$$\text{FOM} = \frac{1}{R_{\text{ds,on}} Q_{\text{oss}}}$$

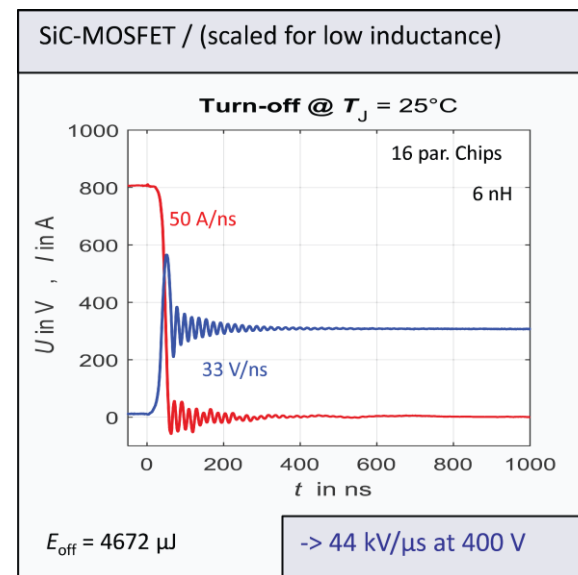
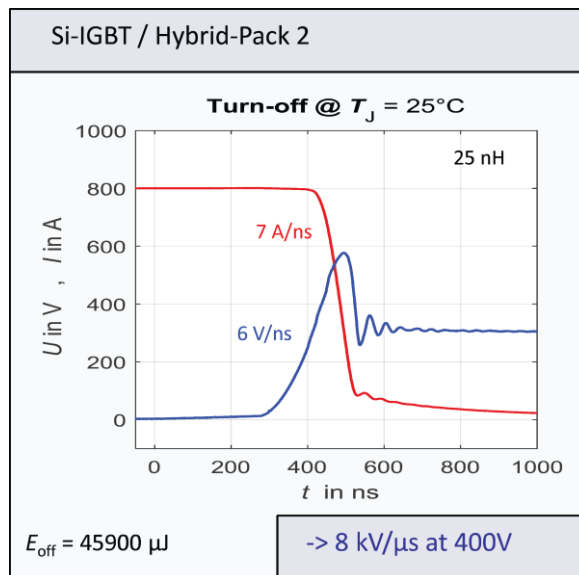


- *Challenges in Packaging / Thermal Management / Gate Drive / PCB Layout*
- *Extremely High Sw. Speed (dv/dt)* → *Motor Isol. Stress / Reflections / Bearing Curr. / EMI*

► Si vs. SiC

- **Si-IGBT** → $dv/dt = 2...6 \text{ kV}/\mu\text{s}$ (Inverter for Var. Speed Drives / IEC 61800-3)
- **SiC** → $dv/dt = 20...60 \text{ kV}/\mu\text{s}$

Source: M. Bakran / ECPE 2019



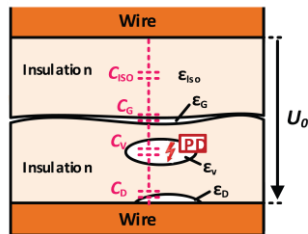
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—— *dv/dt - Challenges* ——

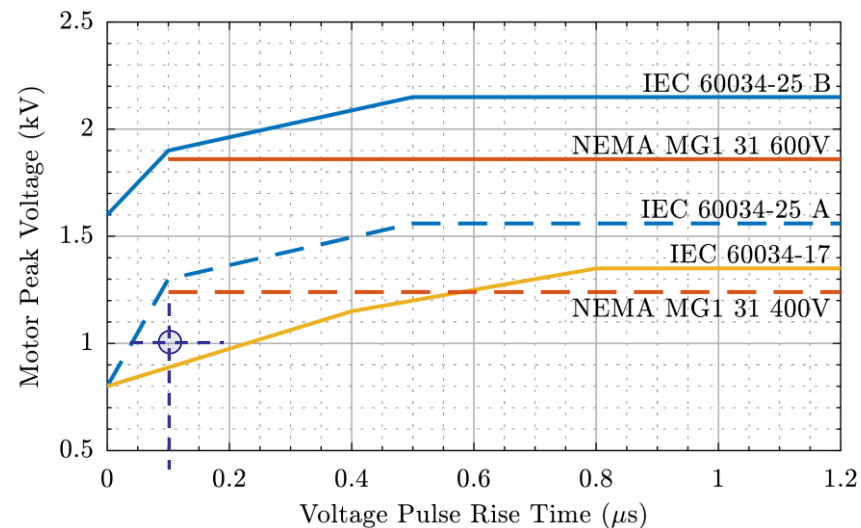
► Motor Insulation Destruction

- **Partial Discharge Due to Insul. Imperfections** (Ionisation & Transient Space Charge Distrib.)
- **Partial Discharge Inception Voltage (PDIV) Dependent on dv/dt**

Basic design of a wire insulation



Source: Bakran / ECPE 2019

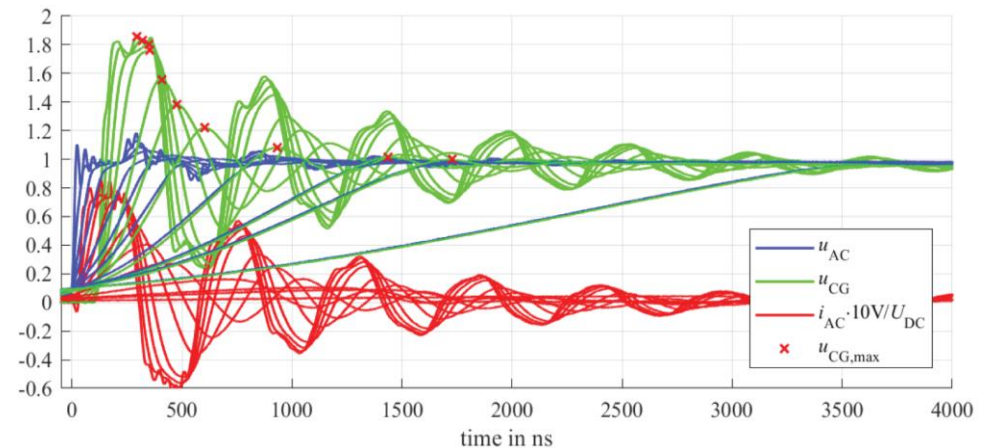
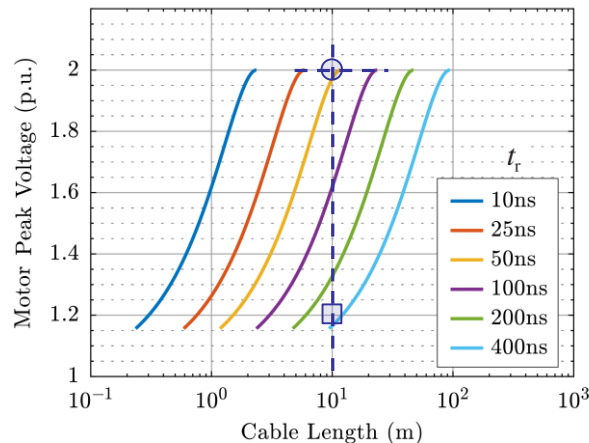


- **dv/dt -Limits Specified by Standards**
- **dv/dt -Filtering or Full Sinewave Filtering**

► Surge Voltage Reflections

- Short Rise Time of Inv. Output Voltage
- Impedance Mismatch of Cable & Motor → Reflect. @ Motor Terminals / High Insul. Stress
- Long Motor Cable $l_c \geq \frac{1}{2} t_r v$

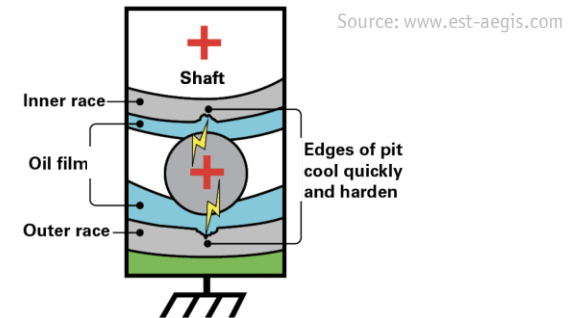
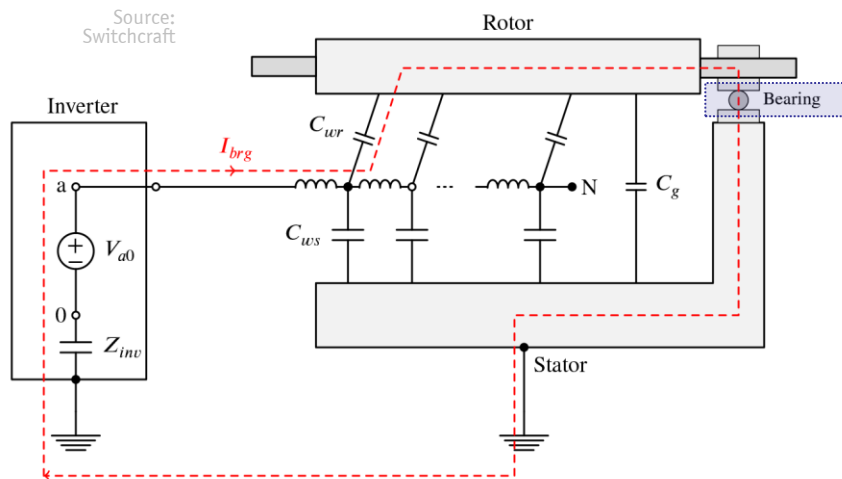
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→ *dv/dt-Filtering* or *Full Sinewave Filtering / Termination & Matching Networks etc.*

► Motor Bearing Currents

- Switching Frequency CM Inverter Output Voltage → Motor Shaft Voltage
- Electrical Discharge in Bearing ("EDM")



Source:
BOSCH



→ Cond. Grease / Ceram. Bearings / Shaft Grndg Brushes / dv/dt - OR Sine Wave Filters

► SiC vs. Si Inverter EMI Spectrum

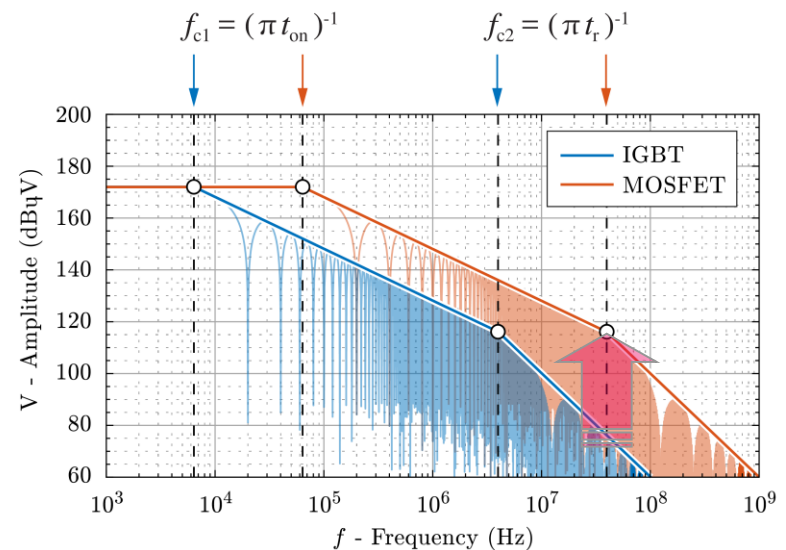
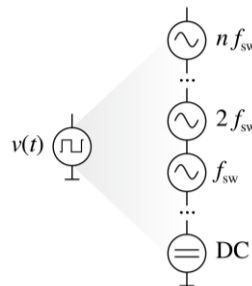
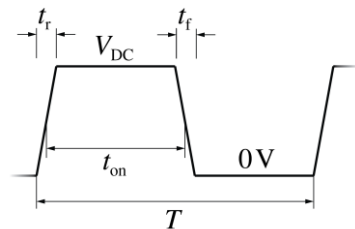
- SiC Enables Higher dv/dt
- SiC Enables Higher **Switching Frequencies**
- EMI Envelope Shifted to Higher Frequencies

→ Factor 10
→ Factor 10

Source/Idea: M. Schutten / GE

$f_s = 10\text{kHz}$ & 5 kV/us for (Si IGBT)
 $f_s = 100\text{kHz}$ & 50 kV/us for (SiC MOSFET)

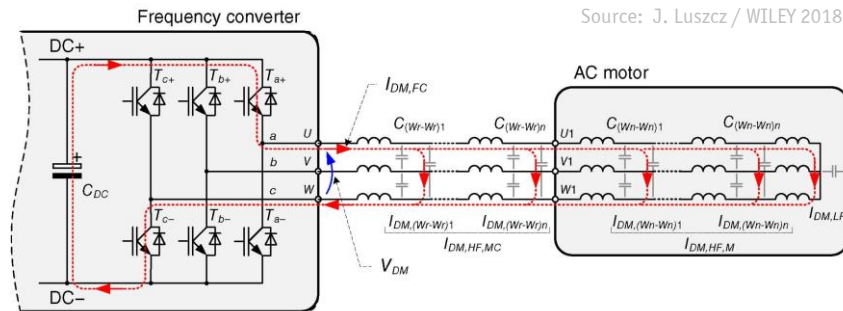
$V_{DC} = 800\text{V}$
DC/DC @ $D = 50\%$



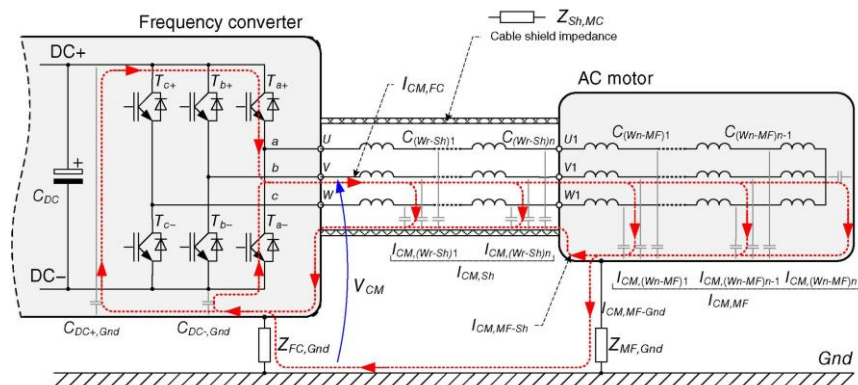
- Higher Influence of **Filter Component Parasitics and Couplings**
- dv/dt -Filtering or Full Sinewave Filtering, **Shielded Motor Cables**

► DM & CM Conducted / Radiated EMI

■ DM Conducted EMI Pathway



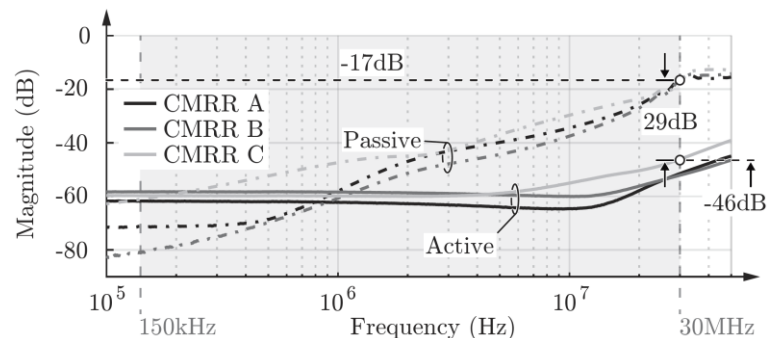
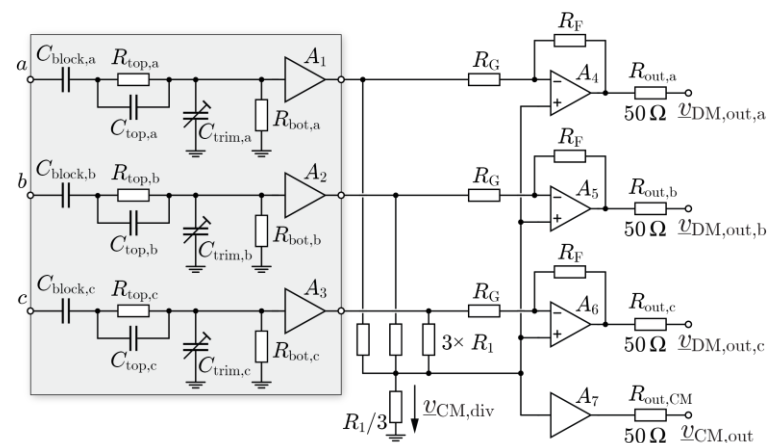
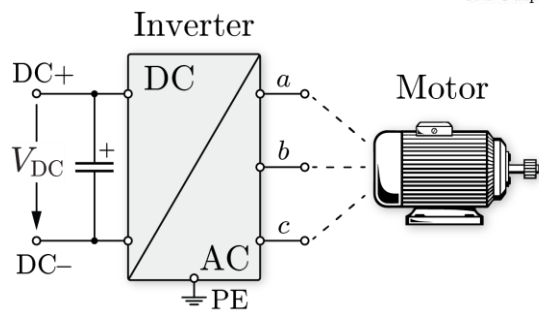
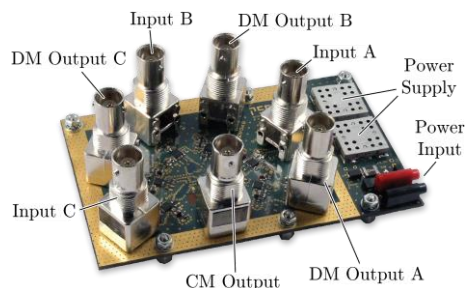
■ CM Conducted EMI Pathway (Motor Side)



- EMI Standards (Cond. & Rad.) → **Shielded Motor Cables OR Full Sinewave Filtering**

► 3- Φ DM/CM EMI Measurement & Separation

- EMI Measurement @ Inverter Output
- DM/CM Splitting for Specific Filter Design



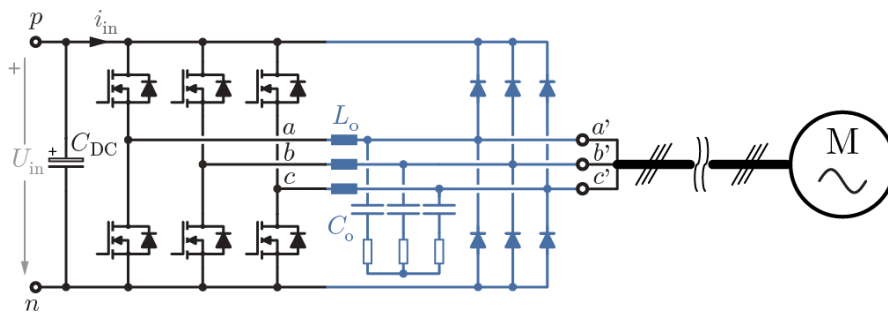
- Cap. Coupled Interface Circuit as Replacement for LISN (Var. Output Frequ.)

Inverter Output Filters

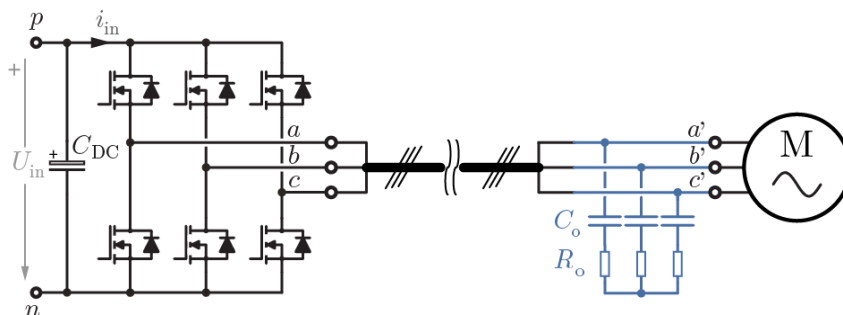
dv/dt-Filters
Motor Cable Termination
Staggered Switching
Active CM Filtering

► Passive dv/dt -Filter & Cable Termination

- $f_c > f_s \rightarrow$ Reduction of High dv/dt of Inverter Output Voltage to $3...5kV/us$



- Termination of Cable with Characteristic Impedance & Damping (No dv/dt -Limit)

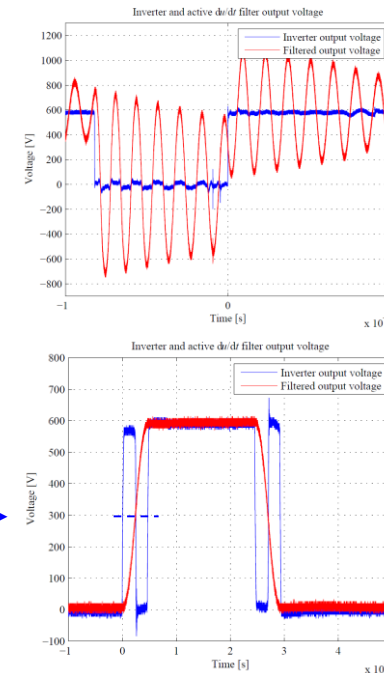
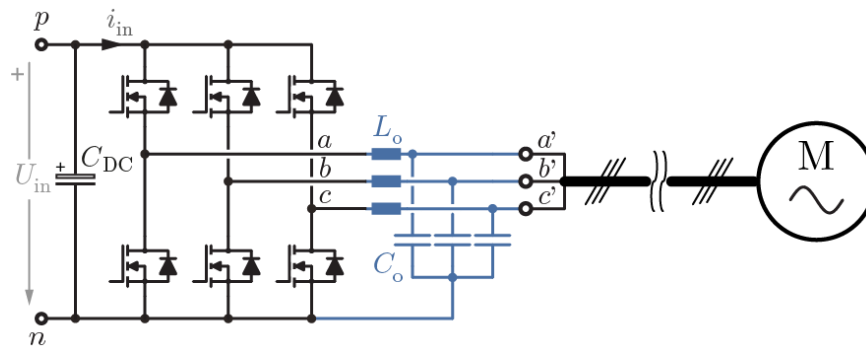


- Limited Applicability @ High Output / Sw. Frequencies (Losses) $\rightarrow$ Full Sinewave Filter

► Active dv/dt -Filtering

- Active Control of the dv/dt -Filter Transient Behavior → 2-Step Transition
- Influence of Motor Current → Adaption of Sw. Scheme
- DC- Connection Optional

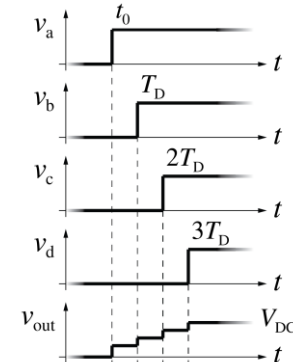
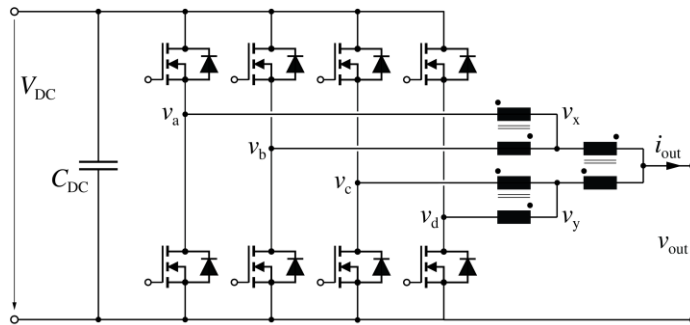
Source: PhD Thesis, J.P. Ström
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- Ideally No Damping Resistors
- Increase of Sw. Losses → Low Sw. Freq. OR High Sw. Speed Semiconductors

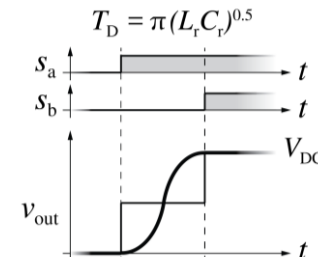
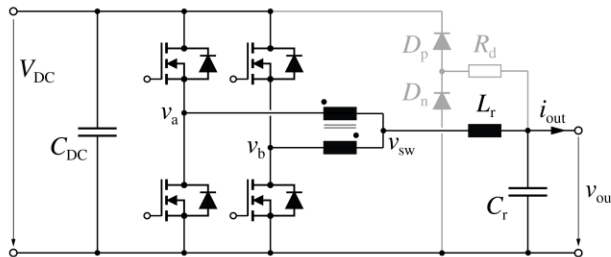
► Staggered/Resonant Switching

■ Staggered Sw. Parallel Bridge Legs → Non-Resonant Multi-Step Transition



Source: J. Ertl et al.
PCIM Europe 2017

■ 2-Step Switching / Resonant Transition (cf. Active dv/dt-Filter)

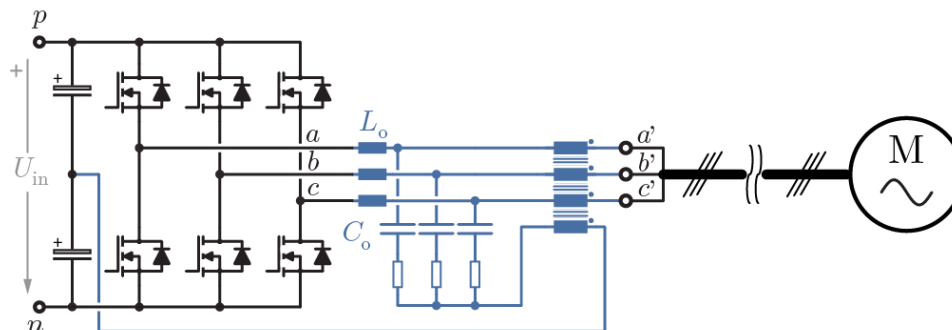


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- Adv. for High Power / Output Curr. Syst. Employing Parallel Bridge Legs & Local Comm. Cap.

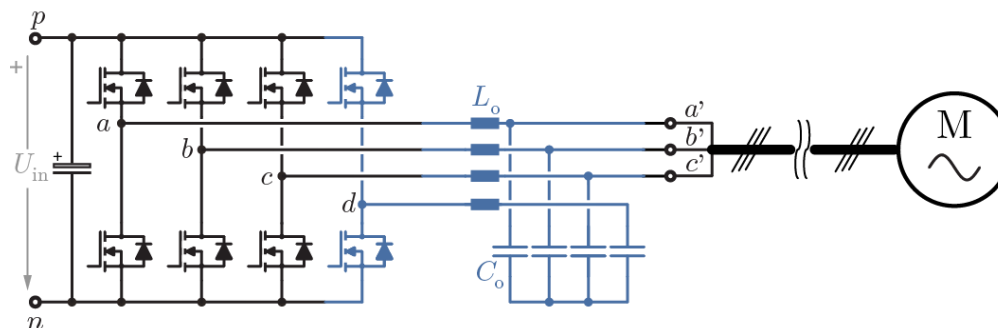
► Active CM Voltage Filters

■ Series Compensation of CM Voltage & DM dv/dt -Filtering



Source: X. Chen et al., 2007

■ Aux. Bridge Leg → Zero CM Voltage for Active Inv. Sw. States & DM dv/dt -Filtering



Source: T.A. Lipo et al., 1999

● Residual CM Voltage Due to Transf. & Sw. Imperfections / Complexity & Missing Zero State

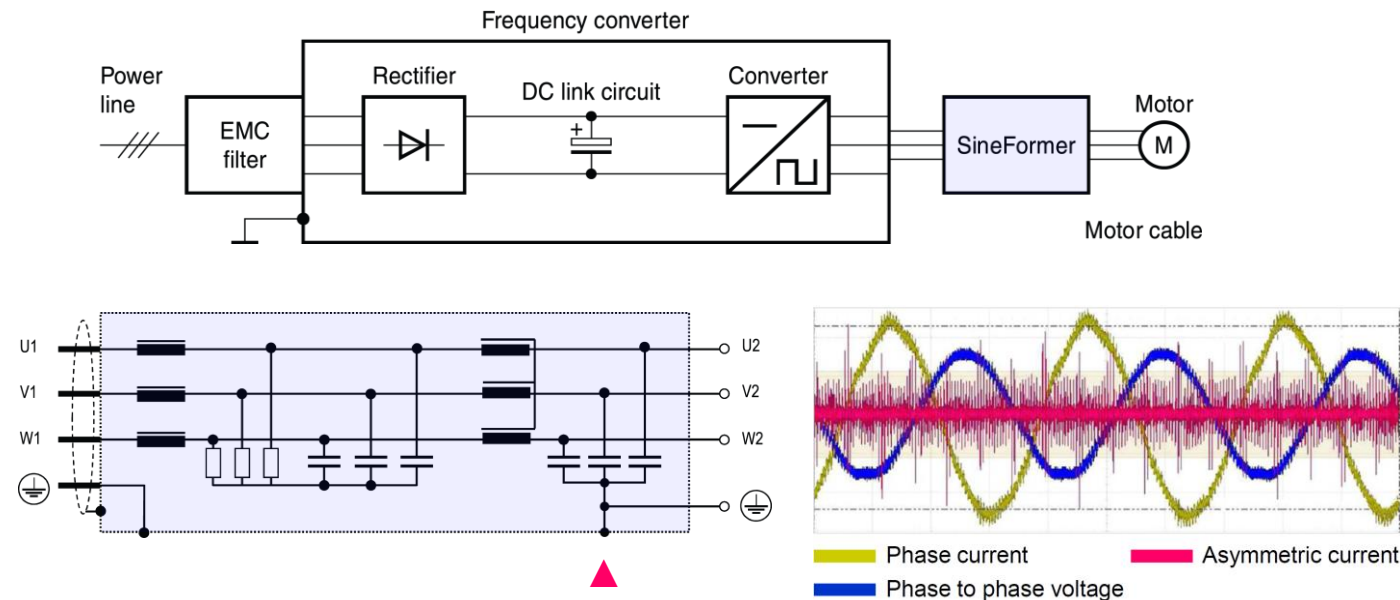
Inverter Output Filters

Sinewave Filters

► “SineFormer” Output Filter

- $f_c \ll f_s$ DM and CM (!) Output Filter Stage → Sin. Output Voltage / No Sw. Frequ. CM Voltage
- No Shielded Motor Cables Required
- Reduction of Mains-Side EMI

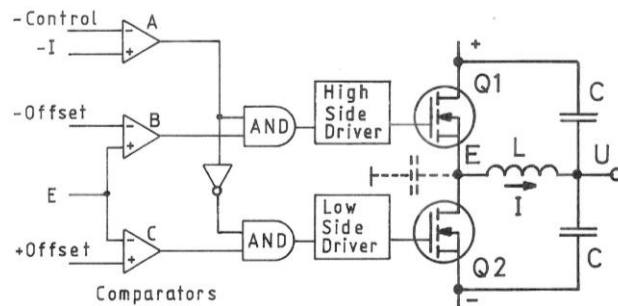
Source: TDK



- Large Weight & Volume → $\approx 2 \text{ kVA/dm}^3$ ($f_s = 4...8 \text{ kHz}$, $f_o = 0...100 \text{ Hz}$)
- Filter Cap. Starpoint Connected to PE Not DC- (Allows Retrofitting)

► Full Sinewave Filtering @ ZVS/TCM Operation

- **ZVS of Inverter Bridge Legs** (No Use of the Intrinsic Diodes of Si MOSFETs)
- **High Sw. Frequency & TCM** → **Low Filter Inductor Volume**



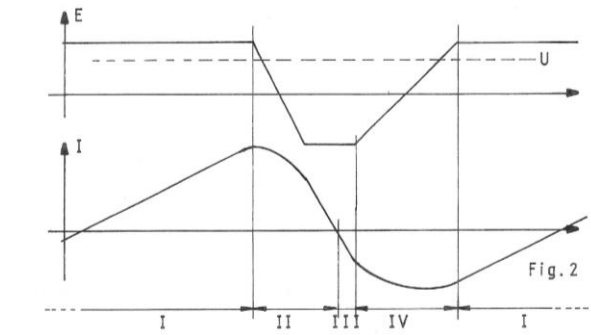
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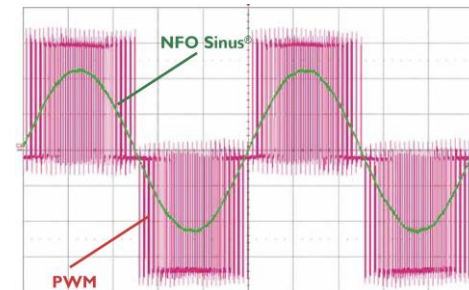
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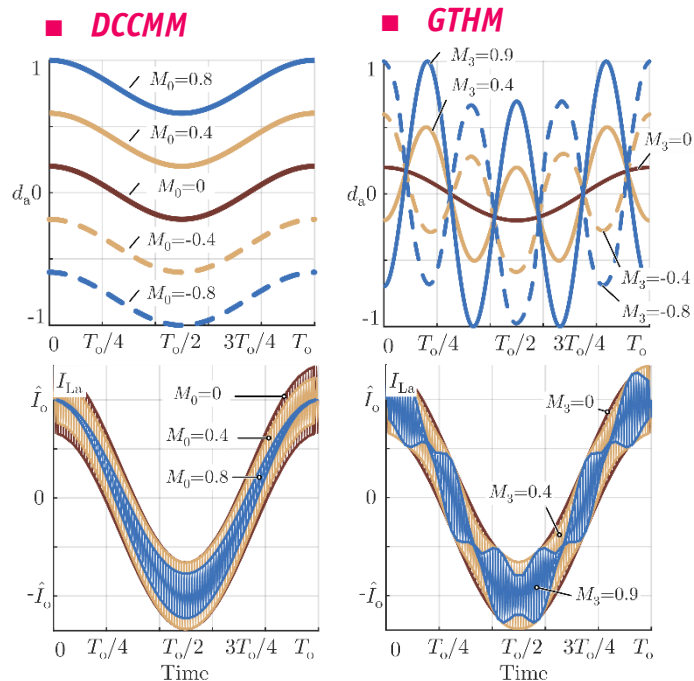
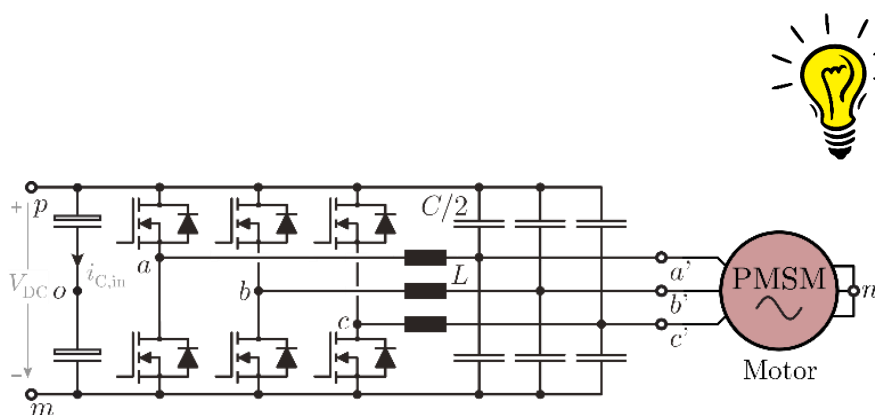
Source: **NFO Sinus**



- **Widely Varying Switching Frequency** → **Voltage Headroom and/or Multiple Bridge-Legs**
- **Rel. High Current Stress on the Power Transistors**

► Full Sinewave Filtering @ CCM Operation (1)

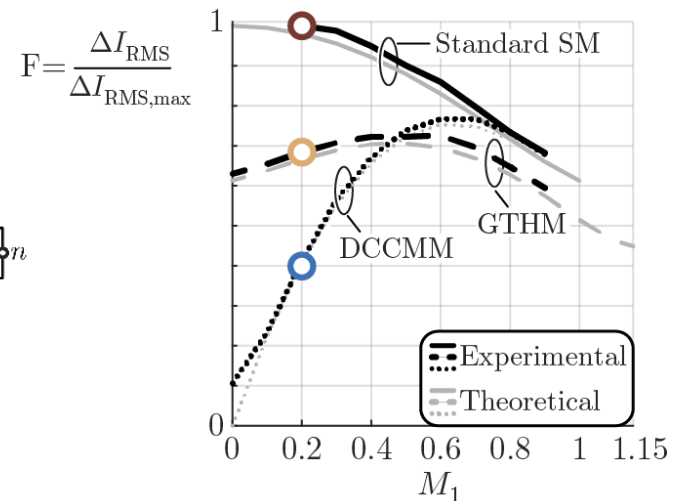
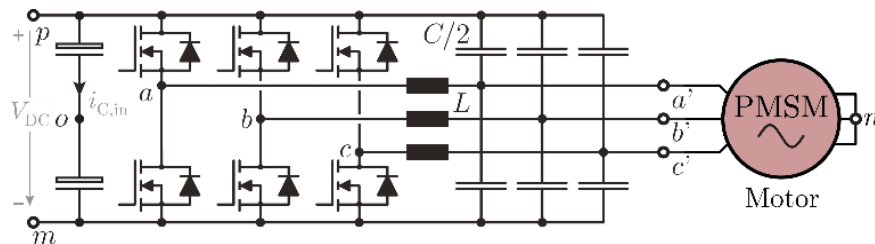
- **DC- Ref. LC-Filter** → **Max. Ind. Current Ripple @ $d=0.5$**
- **DCCMM** — **Max. DC-Offset M_0 Shifting Phase Voltages Towards $d=0$ OR $d=1$**
- **GTHM** — **Max. 3rd Harm. M_3 for Red. of Sw. Freq. Harmonic Power**



- **GTHM** — **Results in Add. Cap. Reactive Power** → **Limited for Higher Frequencies**

► Full Sinewave Filtering @ CCM Operation (2)

- **Massive Red. of Current Ripple @ Lower Modulation Index**
- **DCCMM** — Adv. for $M = 0...0.5$
- **GTHM** — Adv. for $M = 0.5...1.0$



- **GTHM** — Results in Add. Cap. Reactive Power → Limited for Higher Frequencies

Buck+Boost Inverter

Z-Source Inverter etc.

VSI & DC/DC Front-End

Double-Bridge VSI

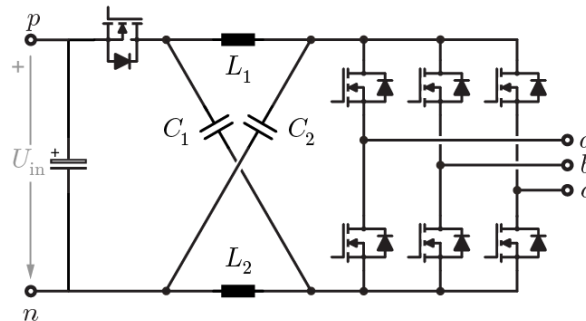
———— *Phase-Modular Buck+Boost Inverter* ————

CSI & DC/DC Front-End



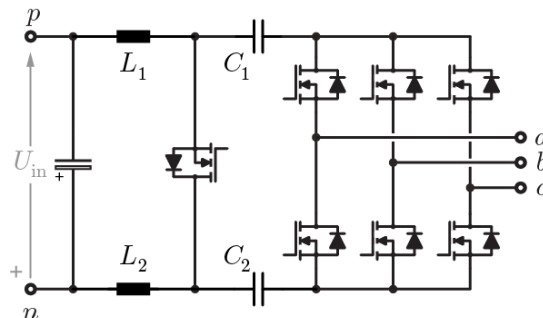
► “Outside-the-Box” Topologies

- **Z-Source Inverter** → Shoot-Through States Utilized for Boost Function
- **Higher Component Stress Eff. Limits Boost Operation to $\approx 120\% U_{in}$**



Source: F.Z. Peng / 2003
J. Rabkowski / 2007

■ 3- Φ Back-End DC/AC **Cuk-Converter**

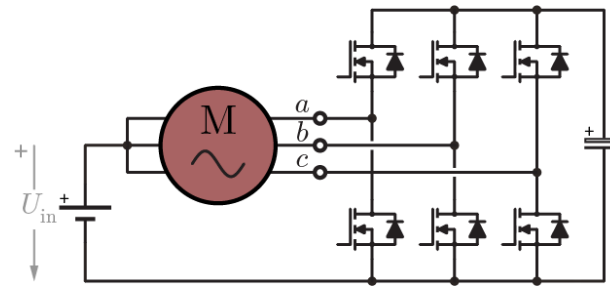


Source: T.A. Lipo
et al. / 2002 &
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- **Integration Typ. Results in Higher Comp. Stresses & Complexity / Lower Performance**

► Boost Converter DC-Link Voltage Adaption

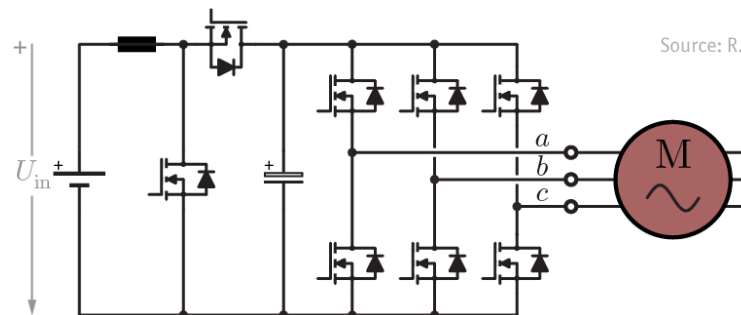
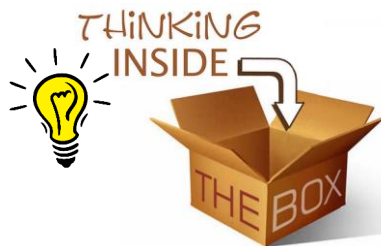
- *Inverter-Integr. DC/DC Boost Conv. → Higher DC-Link Voltage / Lower Motor Current*
- *Access to Motor Star Point & Specific Motor Design Required*
- *No Add. Components*



Source: J. Pforr et al. / 2009

■ Explicit Front-End DC/DC Boost Stage

Source: www.rick-gerber.com

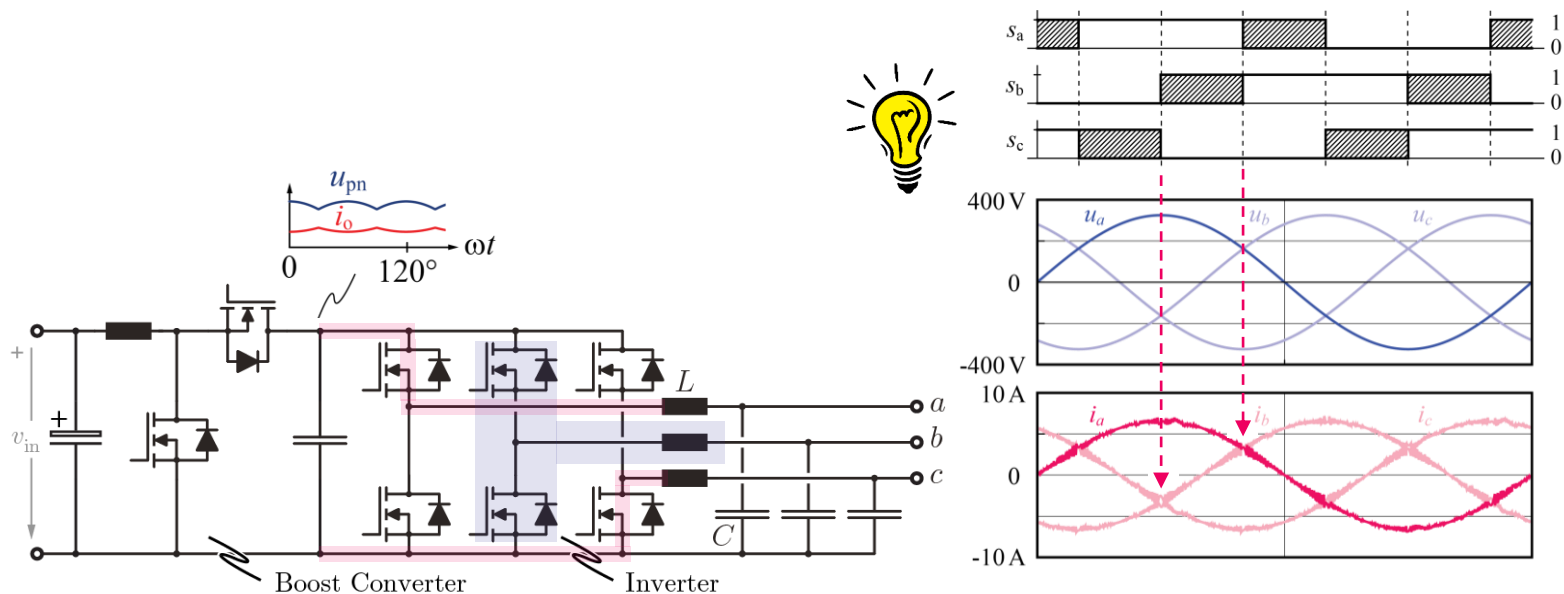


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→ Analyze Coupling of the Control of Both Converter Stages → “Synergetic Control”

► Front-End DC/DC Boost Converter

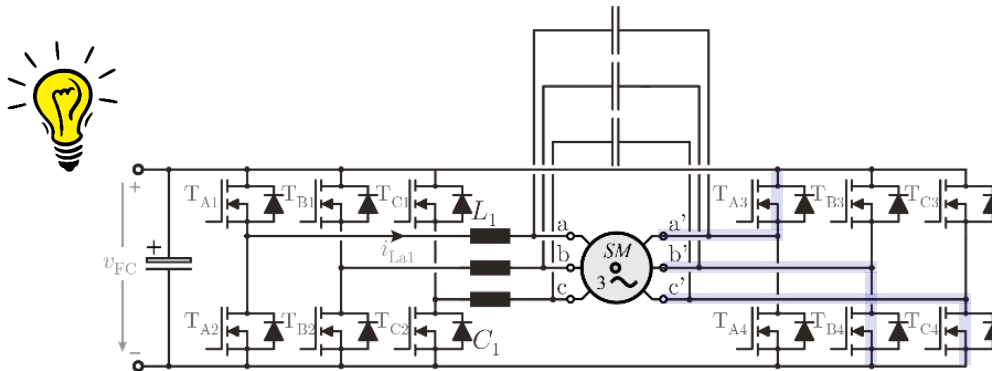
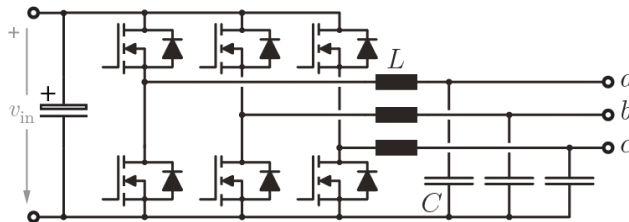
- **"Synergetic Control" @ High Output Voltage**
- **2 (!) Inverter Phases Clamped** → Low Switching Losses / High Efficiency
- **Conv. PWM Inverter / Clamped Boost-Stage Operation @ Low Output Voltage**



- **Preferable for Low Dynamics Drive Systems**

► Double-Bridge Inverter (1)

- *Alternative to Front-End DC/DC Converter* → *Eff. Doubles DC-Link Voltage*
- *2nd Bridge Switching with Output Freq.* → *"Unfolder" Operation*
- *Avoids Volume and Losses of Boost Stage* → *Eff. Single-Stage Conversion*
- *Only Three Inductive Components*

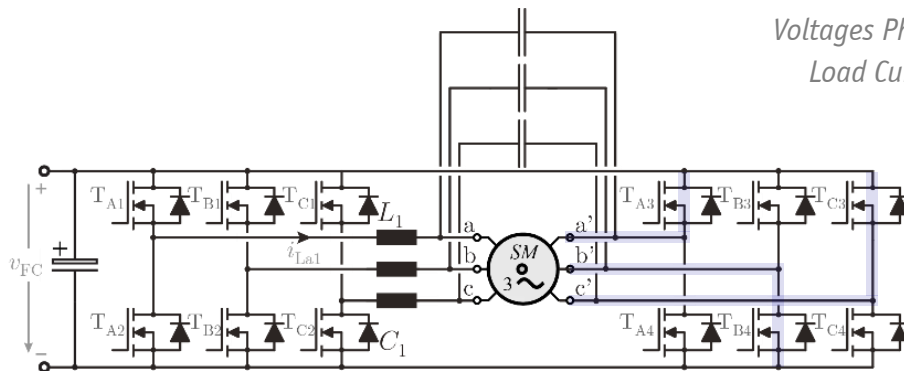


- *Requires Open Winding Motor & Higher Number of Gate Drives*

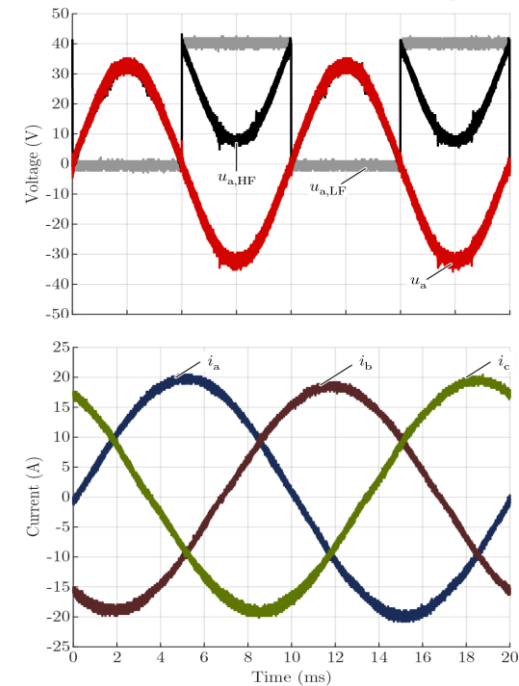
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Voltages Phase a
Load Currents



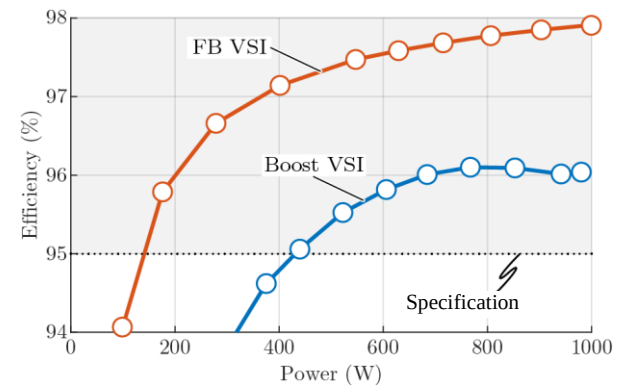
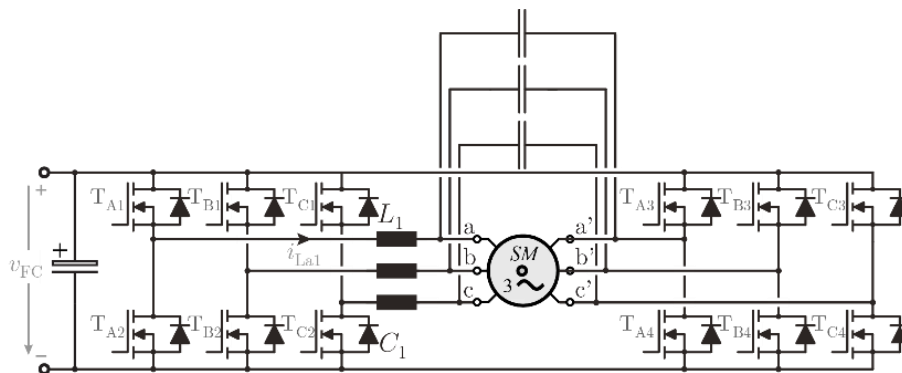
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240 W/in³



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Phase-Modular Topologies

Boost+Buck Modules
Buck+Boost Modules

► General Remarks

- Usually **DC Link Voltage Midpoint** Considered as **AC Output Ref. Point**
- **Open Machine Starpoint** → Introduce **CM Voltage Shift** → **Neg. DC Rail as Reference**

Source: Cuk (1982)

NEW POLYPHASE AMPLIFIER

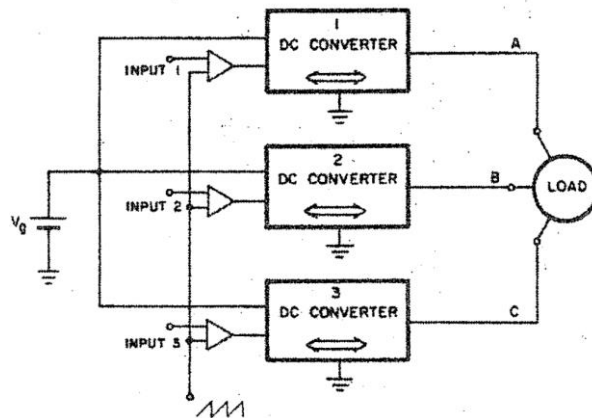


Fig. 7. New three-phase switching amplifier. Three bidirectional dc-dc converters, with their own modulators, driven by a set of three-phase sine waves, constitute three phase voltages around the differential load.

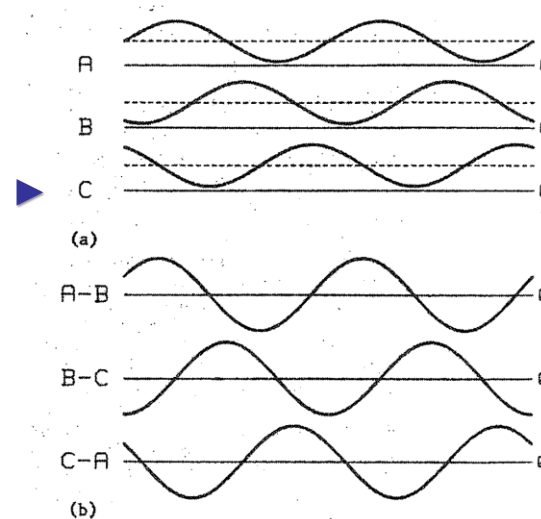
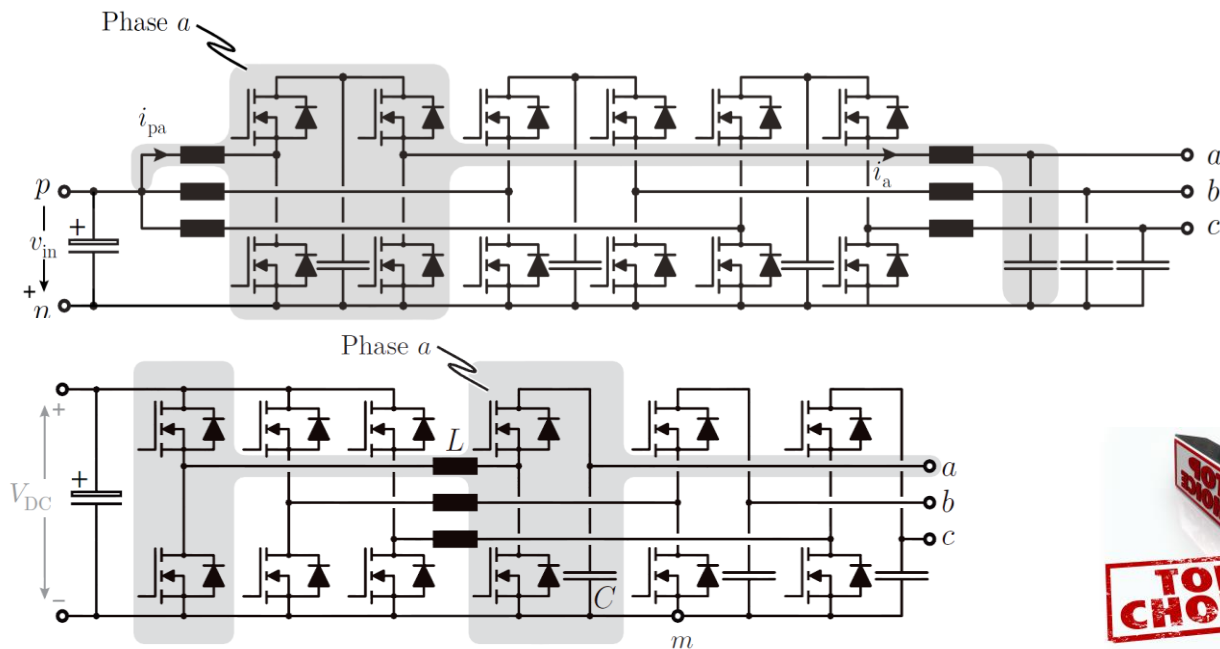


Fig. 8. (a) Line-to-ground and (b) line-to-line voltages generated by the new three phase power amplifier. The dc component of the line-to-ground voltages automatically disappears in line-to-line voltages which are pure ac.

→ Realization of **3- Φ Inverter** Using **3 DC/DC Converter (Phase) Modules** — S. Cuk/1982

► Phase-Modular Boost+Buck / Buck+Boost Inverter

- **Wide Voltage Conv. Range** → Battery or Fuel-Cell Supply & Adaption to Motor Voltage
- **Continuous Output Voltage** → Explicit / Integr. LC Output Filter

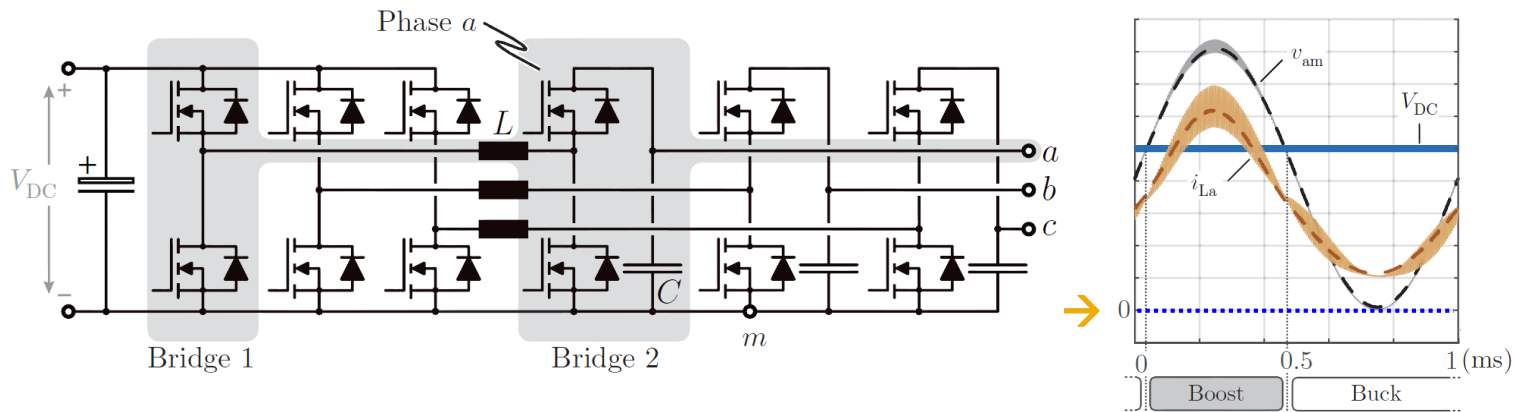


→ Preference for **Low Number of Ind. Components** → Buck+Boost Concept — “Y-Inverter”



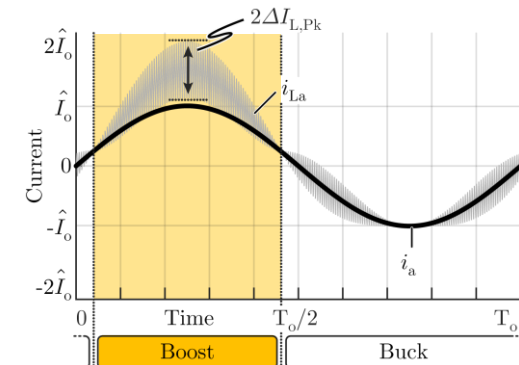
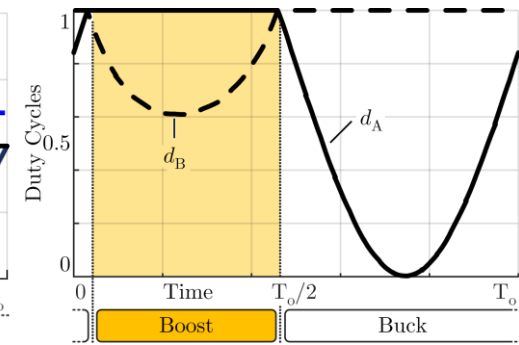
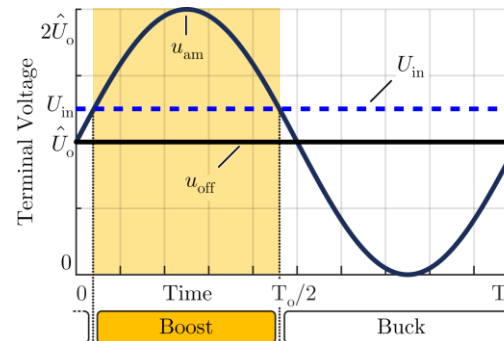
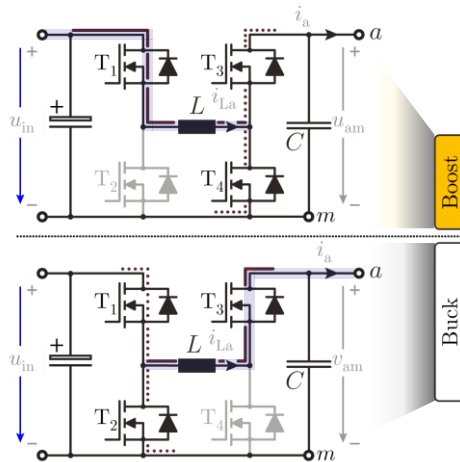
Y-Inverter Lighthouse Project

- Three-Phase Continuous Output / Low EMI !
- Buck+Boost Operation / Wide Input &/or Output Range
- Standard Bridge Legs / Building Blocks
- ZVS Operation / Extreme Power Density
- No Shielded Cables / No Insul. Stress
- Industrial Drive
- 1.2kV SiC MOSFETs



■ Project Scope → Hardware Demonstrator / Exp. Analysis / Comparative Evaluation

Y-Inverter (1) • Operating Behavior

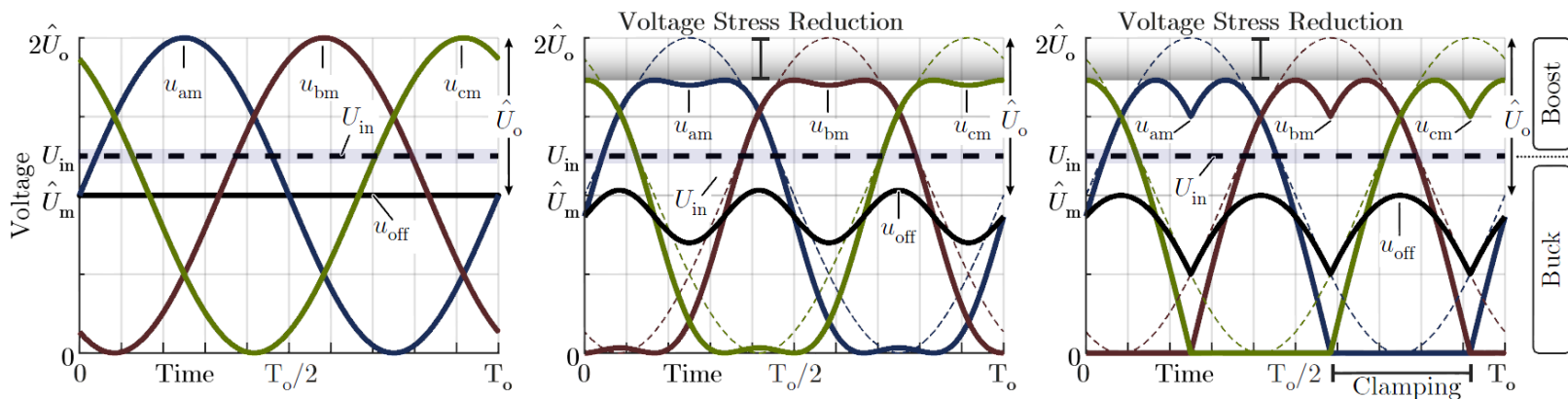


- $u_{am} < U_{in} \rightarrow$ Buck Operation
- $u_{am} > U_{in} \rightarrow$ Boost Operation
- Output Voltage Generation Referenced to DC Minus

Y-Inverter (2)

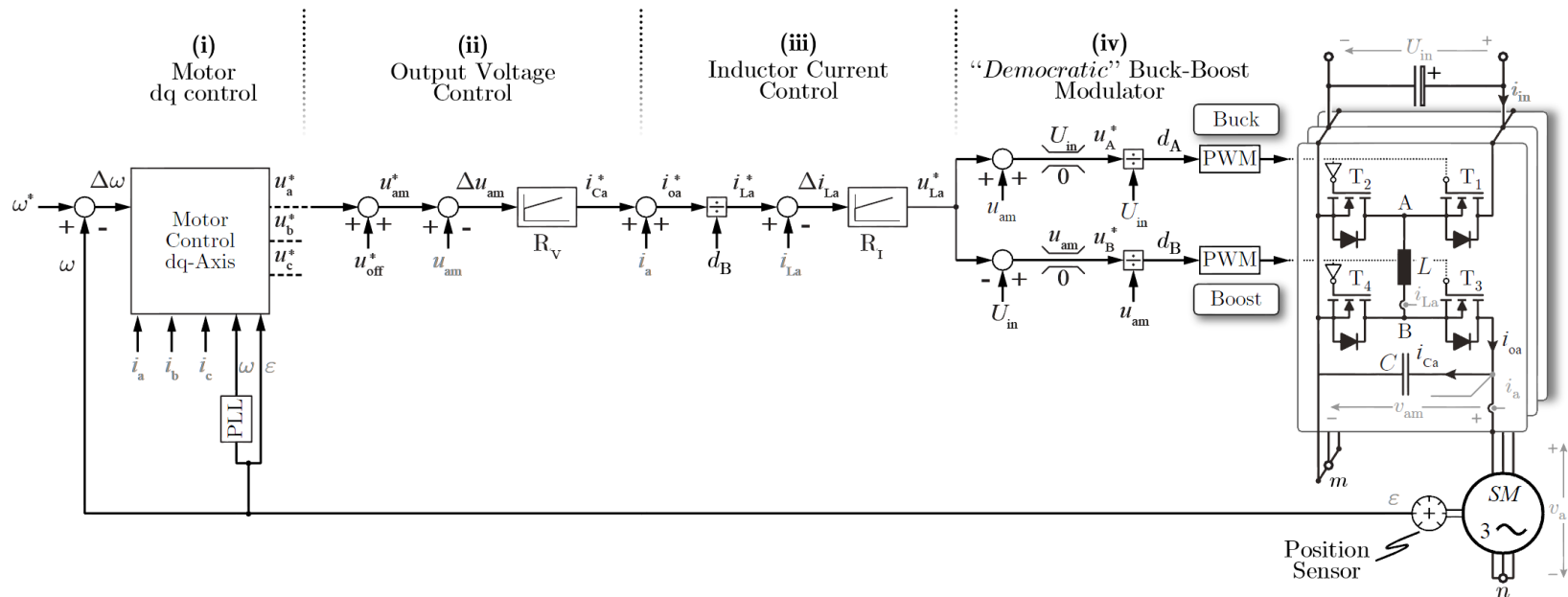
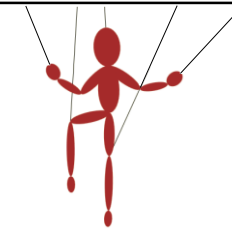
- Modulation Scheme**

- Sinusoidal Modulation** → **Variable Output Voltage DC Offset for Low Mod. Index**
- 3rd Harmonic Injection** OR **Phase Clamping as Alternative Concepts**



- Adv. of Reduced Voltage Against DC- & Reduction of Sw. Losses**

Y-Inverter (3) • Control Structure

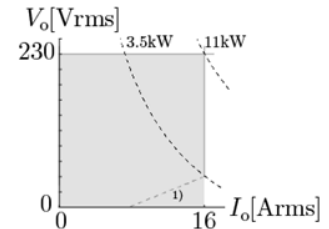
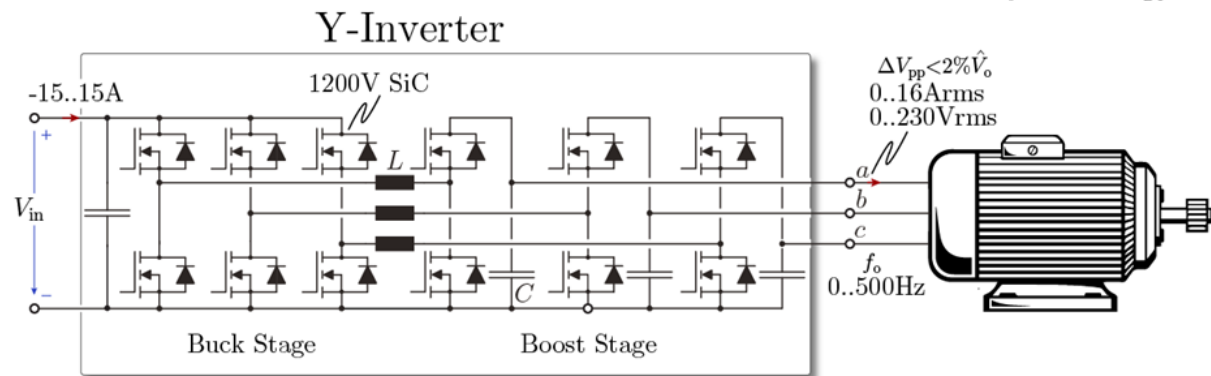
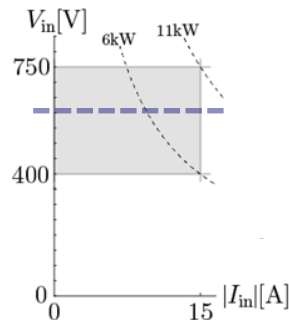


■ **"Democratic Control"** → Seamless Transition Between Buck & Boost Operation

► Y-Inverter Prototype (a)

• Demonstrator Specifications

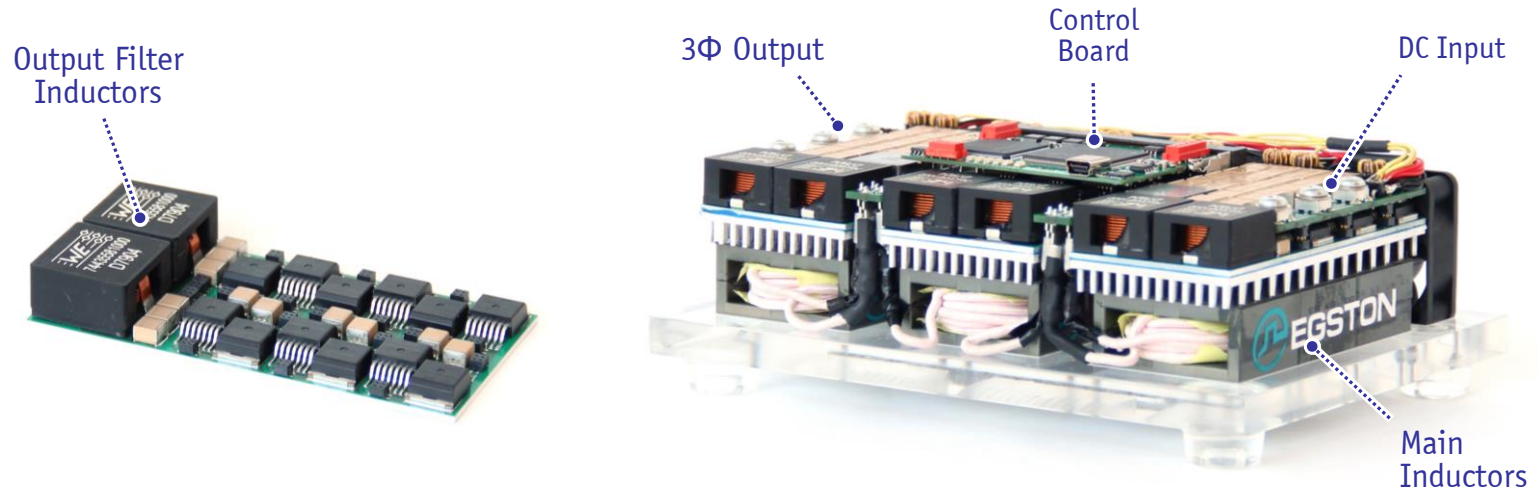
- Wide Input Voltage Range → 400...750V_{DC}
- Max. Input Current → ± 15A



- Max. Output Power → 6...11 kW
- Output Frequency Range → 0...500Hz
- Output Voltage Ripple → 3.2V Peak-to-Peak (incl. Add. Output Filter)

► *Y-Inverter Prototype (b)*

- DC Voltage Range **400...750V_{DC}**
- Max. Input Current $\pm 15A$
- Output Voltage **0...230V_{rms}** (Phase)
- Output Frequency **0...500Hz**
- Sw. Frequency **100kHz**
- **3x SiC (75m Ω)/1200V** per Switch
- **IMS Carrying Buck/Boost-Stage Semicond. & Comm. Caps & 2nd Filter Ind.**



■ **Dimensions** → **160 x 110 x 42 mm³** (15kW/dm³, 245W/in³)

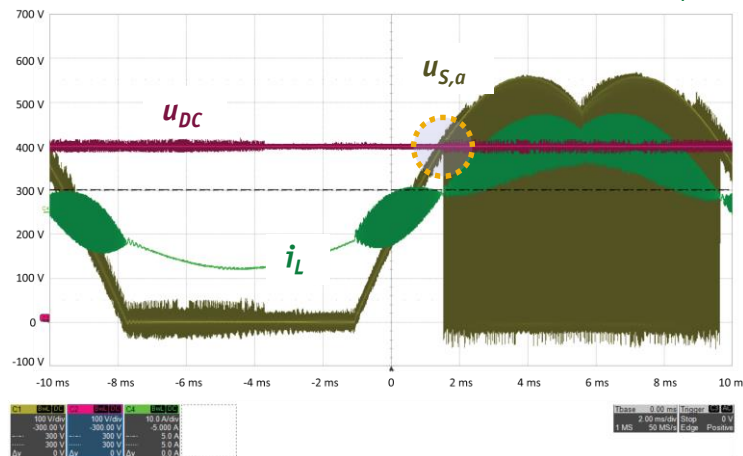
► Y-Inverter Prototype (c)

• Measurement Results

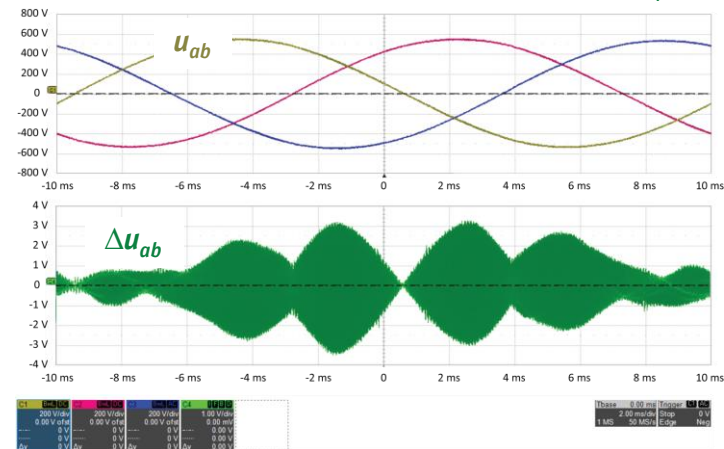
$U_{DC} = 400V$
 $U_{AC} = 400V_{rms}$ (Motor Line-to-Line Voltage)
 $f_o = 50Hz$
 $f_s = 100kHz$ / DPWM

$P = 6.5kW$

100V/div
10A/div



200V/div
1V/div

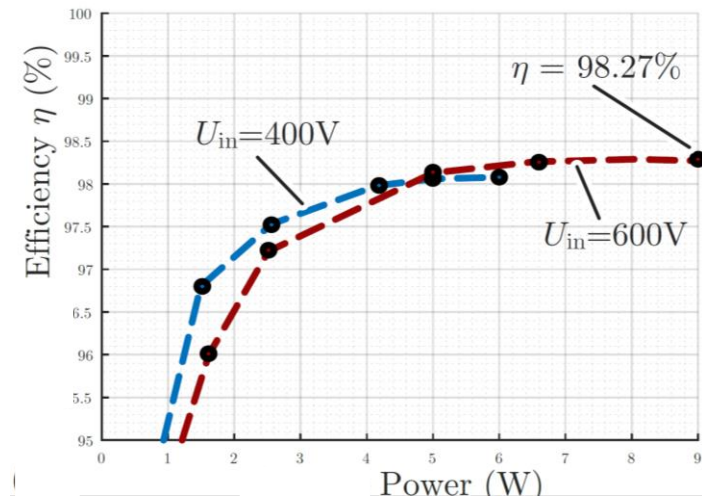
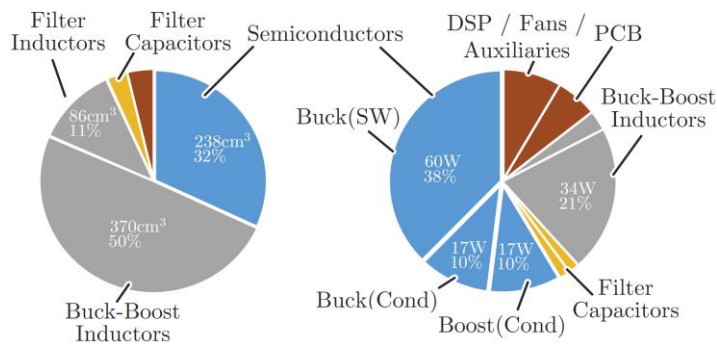


→ Line-to-Line Output Voltage Ripple < 3.2V

► Y-Inverter Prototype (d)

- Demonstrator Performance – Efficiency over Output Power @ Given Input Voltage

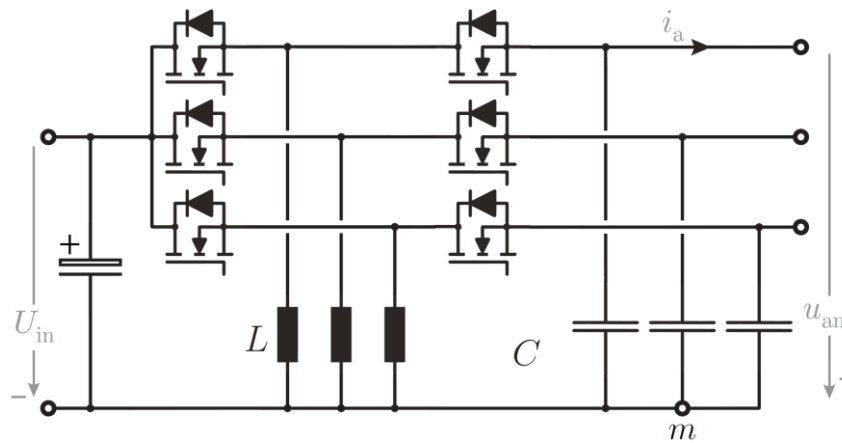
$$\begin{aligned} U_{DC} &= 400V / 600V \\ U_{AC} &= 230V_{rms} \text{ (Motor Phase Voltage, rms)} \\ f_s &= 100kHz \end{aligned}$$



→ Multi-Level Bridge Leg Structure for Ind. Comp. Volume Reduction

► *Alternative Topology*

- *Phase Modules Based on 2-Switch Buck+Boost Topology*



- Lower Number of Switches / Higher Component Stresses → *Low Power Applications*

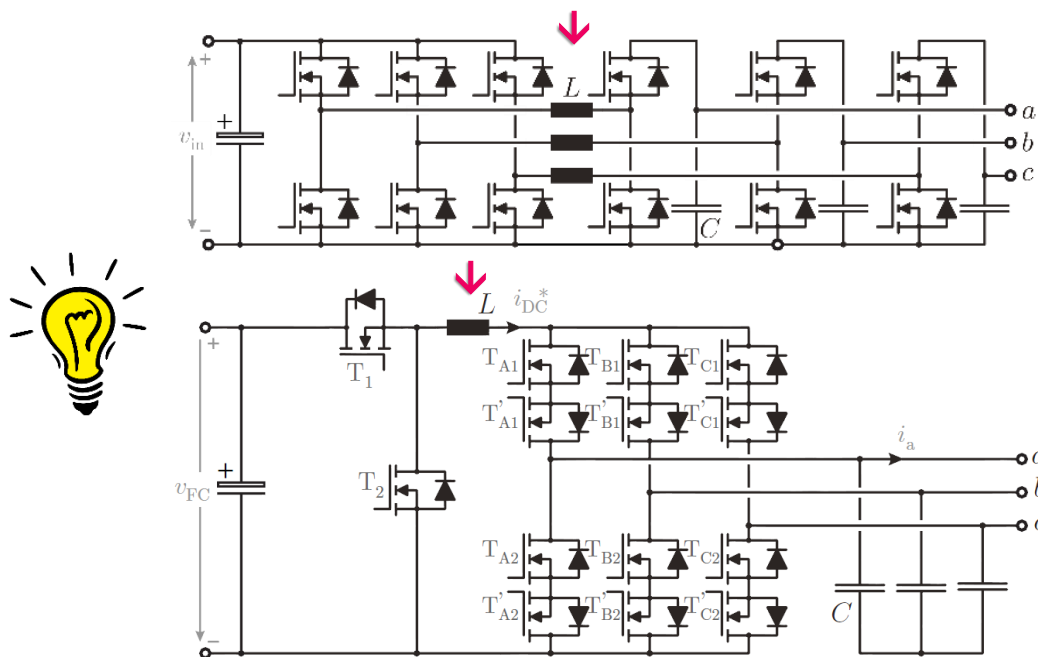
DC/DC Buck Stage & Current Source Inverter

*Monolithic Bidir. GaN Switches
Synergetic Control*



► Current Source Inverter (CSI) Topologies

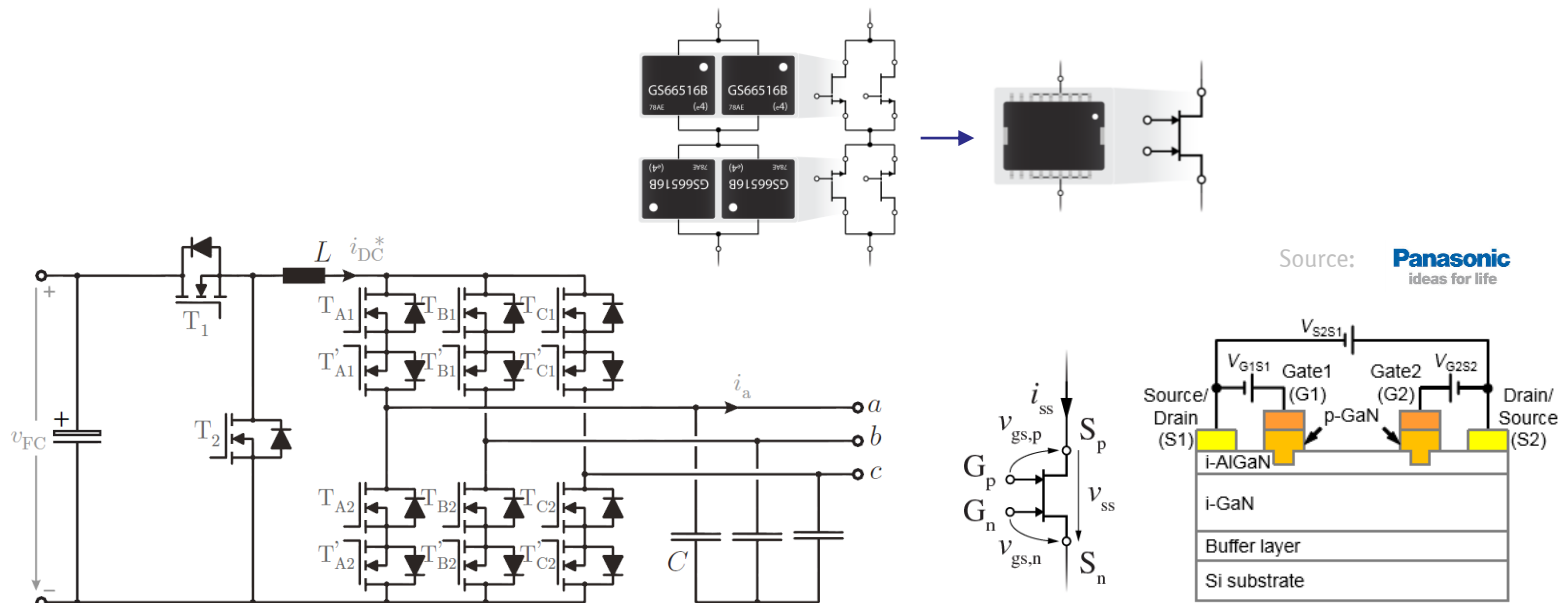
- **Phase Modular Concept** → **Y-Inverter** (Buck-Stage / Current Link / Boost-Stage)
- **3- Φ Integrated Concept** → **Buck-Stage & Current DC Link Inverter**



→ **Low Number of Ind. Components** & **Utilization of Bidir. GaN Semicond. Technology**

► 3- Φ Integrated Buck-Boost CSI (1)

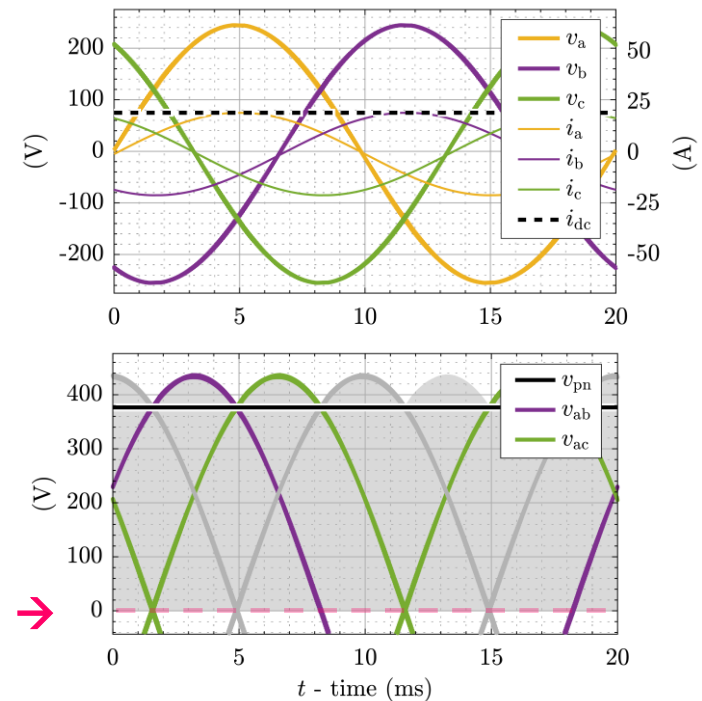
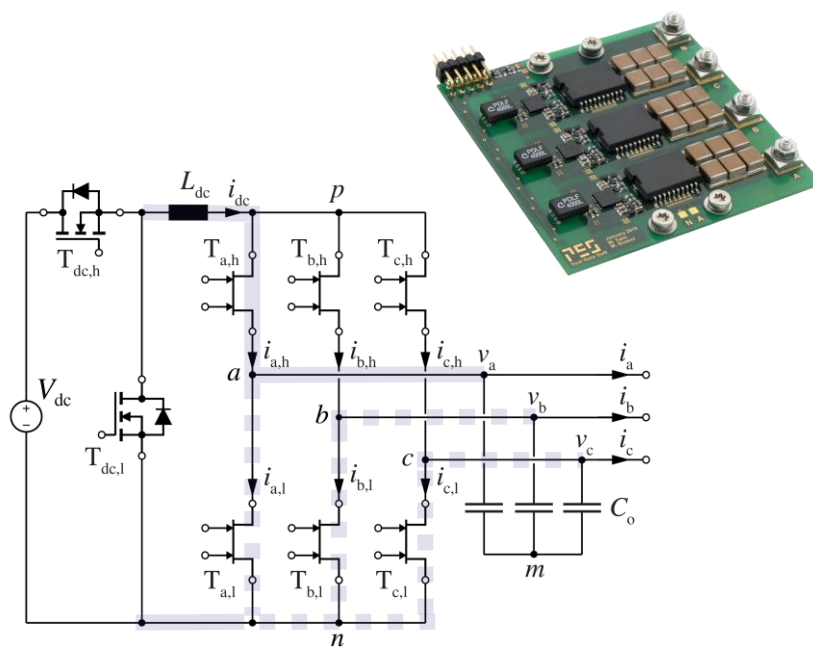
- **Basic Topology Proposed in 1984 (Ph.D. Thesis of K.D.T. Ngo/CPES)**
- **Bidir./Bipolar Switches $\rightarrow$ Positive DC-Side Voltage for Both Directions of Power Flow**



- $\rightarrow$ **Monol. GaN Switches $\rightarrow$ Factor 4 Improvement in Chip Area Comp. to Discrete Realiz.**
- $\rightarrow$ **Also Beneficial for Matrix Converter Topologies**

► 3- Φ Integrated Buck-Boost CSI (2)

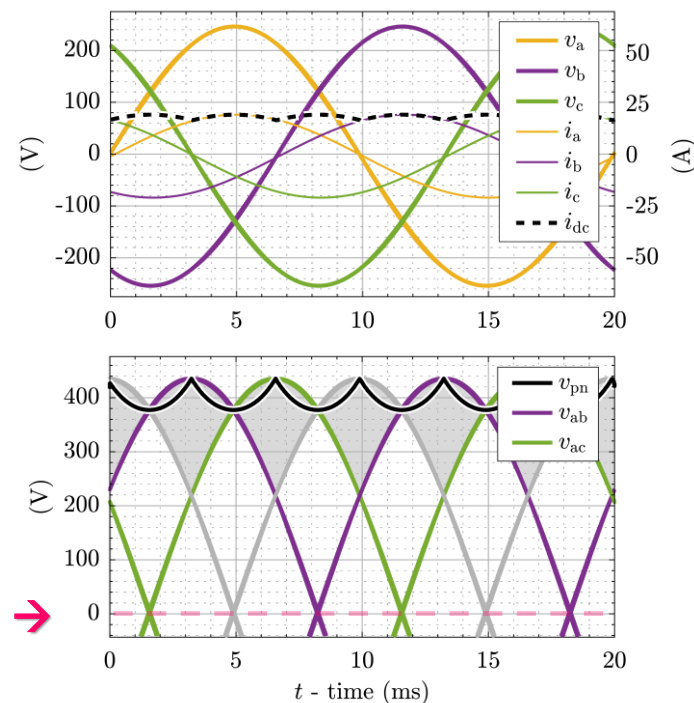
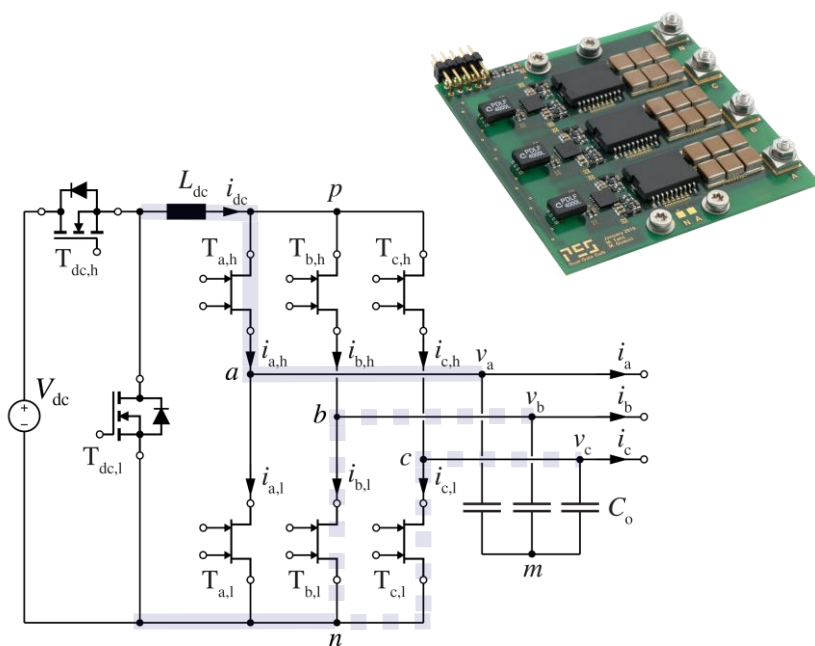
- **Monolithic Bidir. Bipolar GaN Switches Featuring 2 Gates / Full Controllability**
- **Buck-Stage for Const. DC Current / PWM CSI for Output Voltage Control**



→ “Synergetic Control” of Buck & Inverter Stage for Red. of Sw. Losses ($\approx -86\%$)

► 3- Φ Integrated Buck-Boost CSI (3)

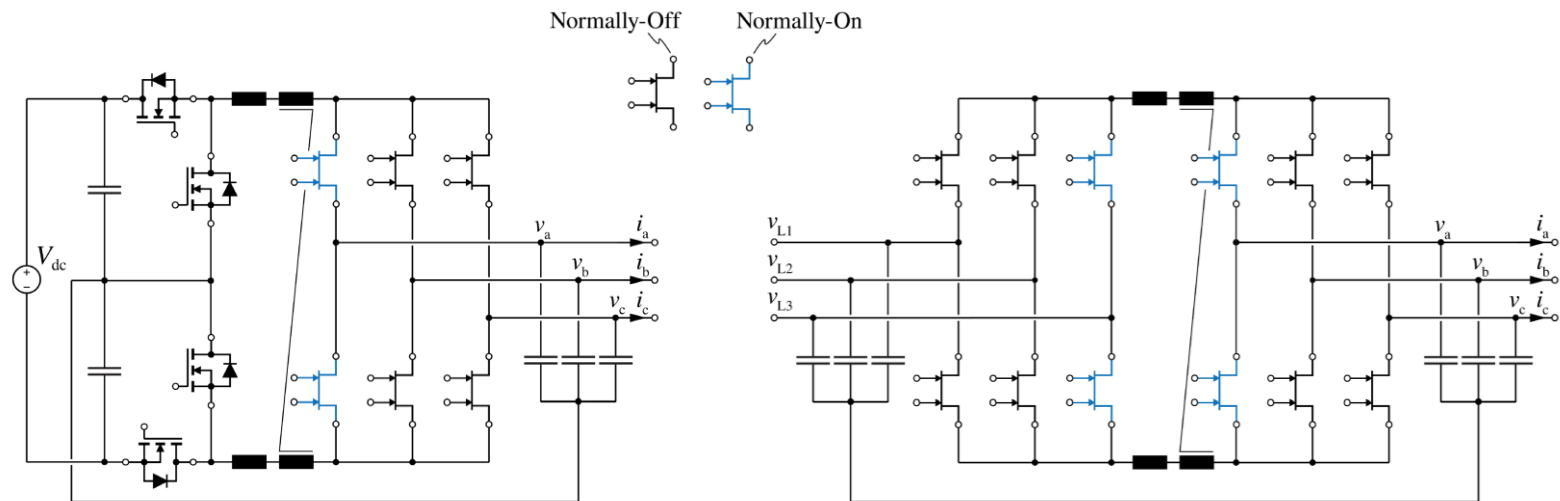
- **Monolithic Bidir. Bipolar GaN Switches Featuring 2 Gates / Full Controllability**
- **"Synergetic" Variable DC Curr. Control of Buck Stage & Inv. Stage Clamping $\rightarrow$ 2/3 PWM**



$\rightarrow$ **Experimental Analysis in Progress (Upcoming Publication)**

► Future Research

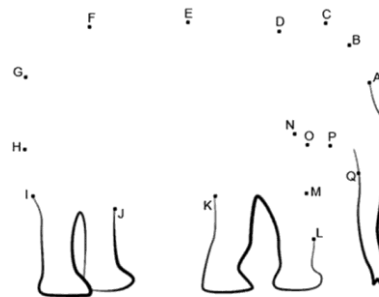
- *Advanced DC/AC Topologies incl. CM-Filtering*
- *Extension of 2/3-PWM to Bipolar DC-Link Voltage 3- Φ AC/AC Converter*
- *Multi-Objective Design & Comparative Evaluation*



- *Partial Use of “Normally-On” Switches for Freewheeling in Case of Auxiliary Power Loss*

Further Concepts

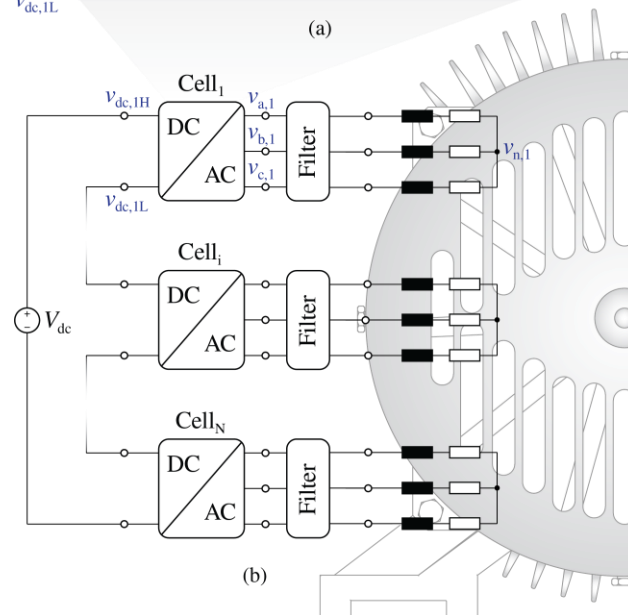
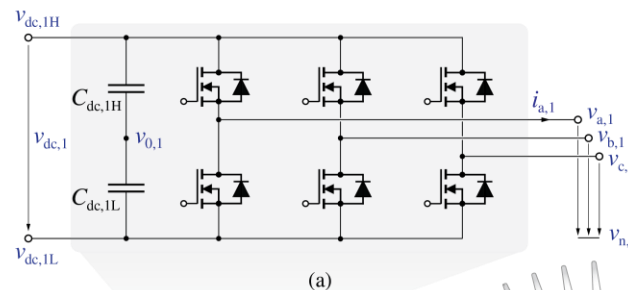
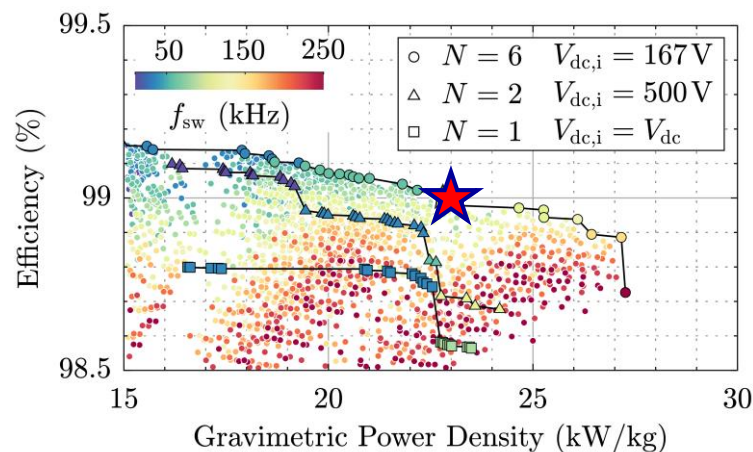
Integrated Modular Motor Drive



► Integrated Modular Motor Drive

- **Machine/Inverter Fault-Tolerant VSD**
- **Motor Integr. Low-Voltage Inverter Modules**
- **Very-High Power Density / Efficiency**
- **Supply of 3- Φ Winding Sets / Low C Buffer Cap.**

- **Rated Power** 45kW / $f_{out} = 2\text{kHz}$
- **DC-Link Voltage** 1 kV



→ Evaluate Machine Concept (PMSM vs. SRM etc.) / Wdg Topologies / Filter Requ. / etc.

3- Φ PFC Rectifier System

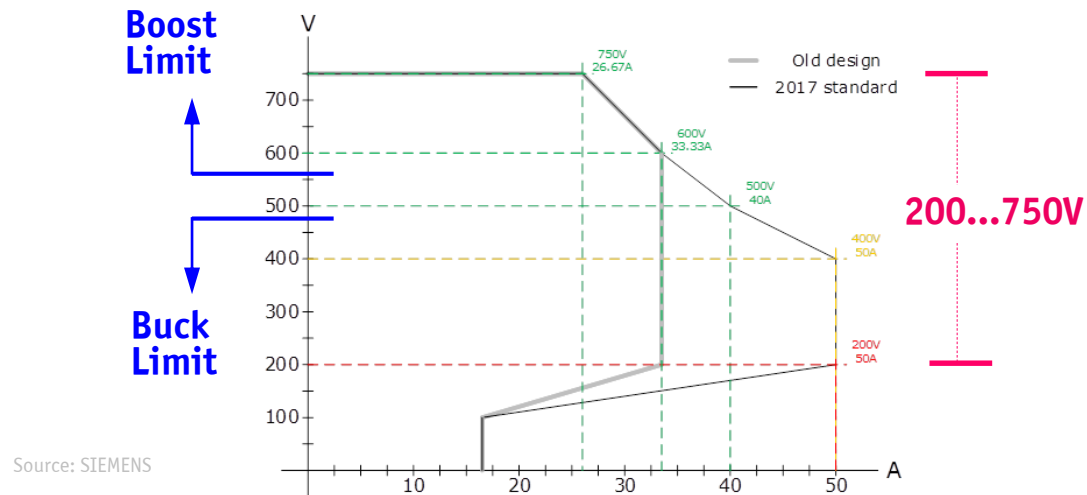
Introduction Buck+Boost Topologies



Source: Porsche
Mission-E Project

► High-Power EV Battery Charging

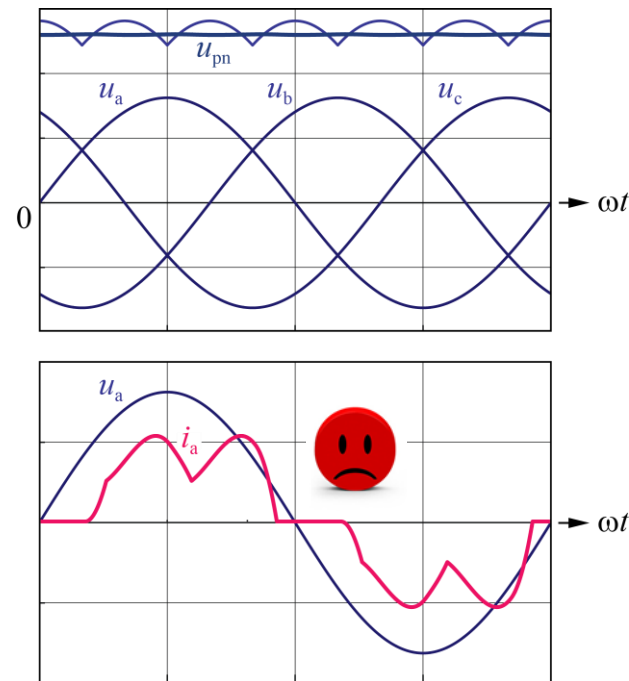
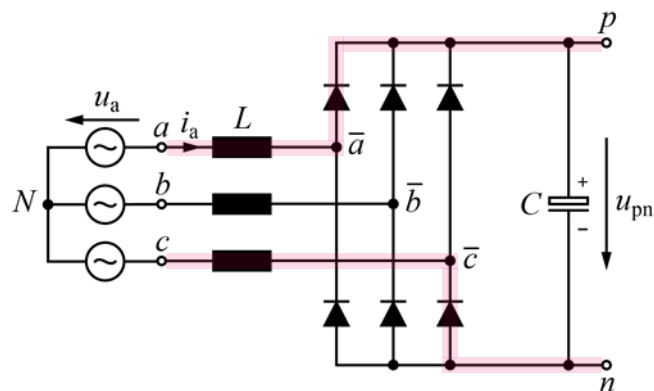
- **China - EV Charging Equipment Supplier Qualification Standard**
- **Extremely Wide DC Output Voltage Range**



→ **Buck-Boost Functionality & Isolation Requirement**

► 3- Φ Diode Bridge Rectifier

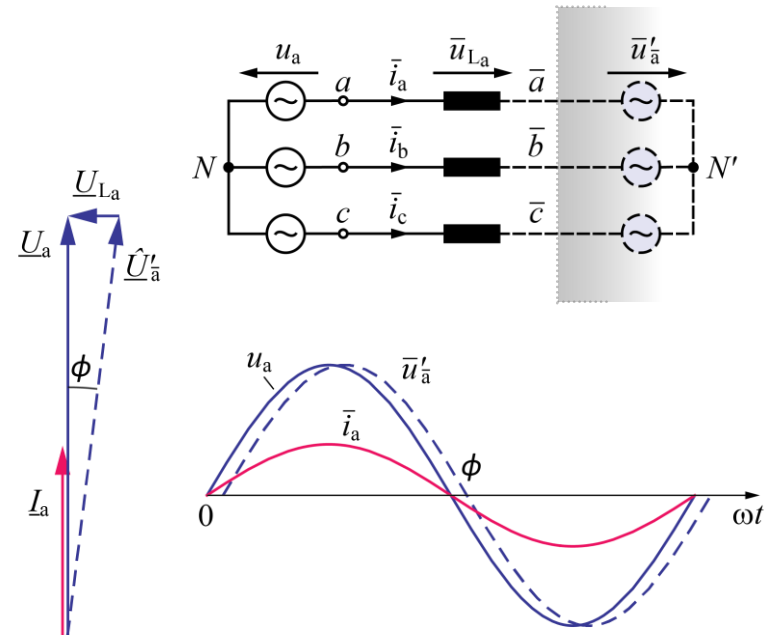
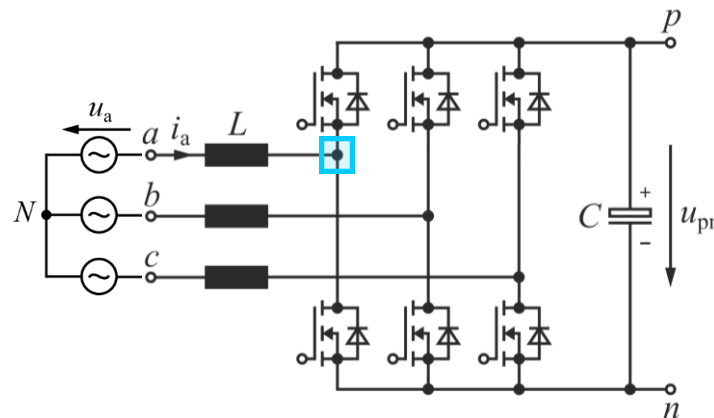
- Conduction States Defined by *Line-to-Line* Mains Voltages
- Intervals with **Zero Current** / LF Harmonics
- No Output Voltage Control



→ **Active Mains Current Shaping** / Modulation of Diode Bridge Input Voltages

► 3- Φ Sinusoidal Input Current Rectifier

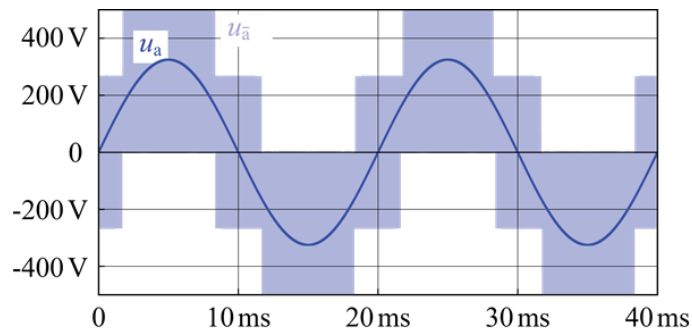
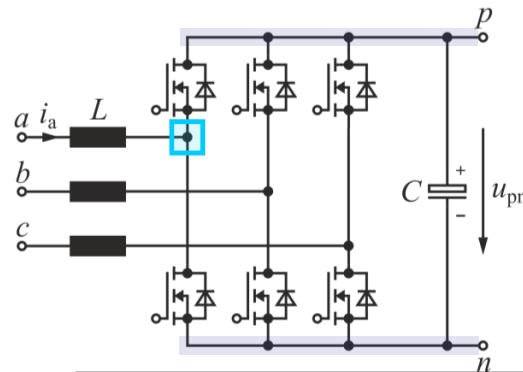
- Mains Current Impressed by Difference of Mains & Diode Bridge Input Voltage
- **Pulse-Width Modulation of Bridge Legs** for Avg. Sinusoidal Voltage Generation



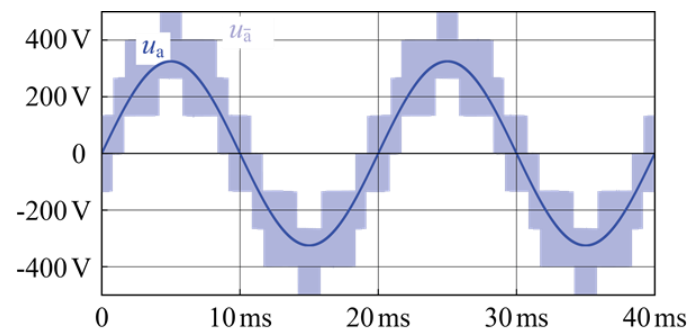
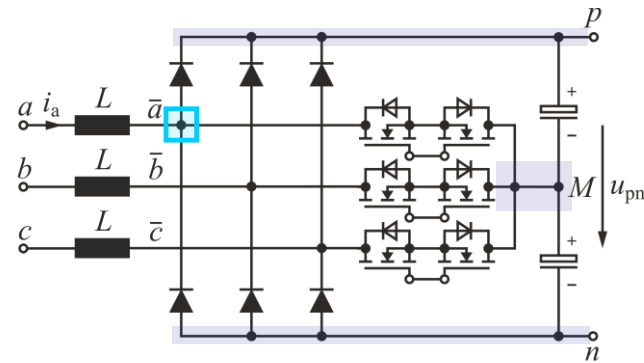
→ 2-Level vs. 3-Level PWM Voltage Generation

► 2-Level vs. 3-Level Voltage Generation (1)

- Comparison to Standard 2-Level PWM Rectifier & 3-Level VIENNA Rectifier
- 9 vs. 5 Volt. Levels & Factor 2...3 Lower Sw. Losses → Factor 4...6 (!) Lower L



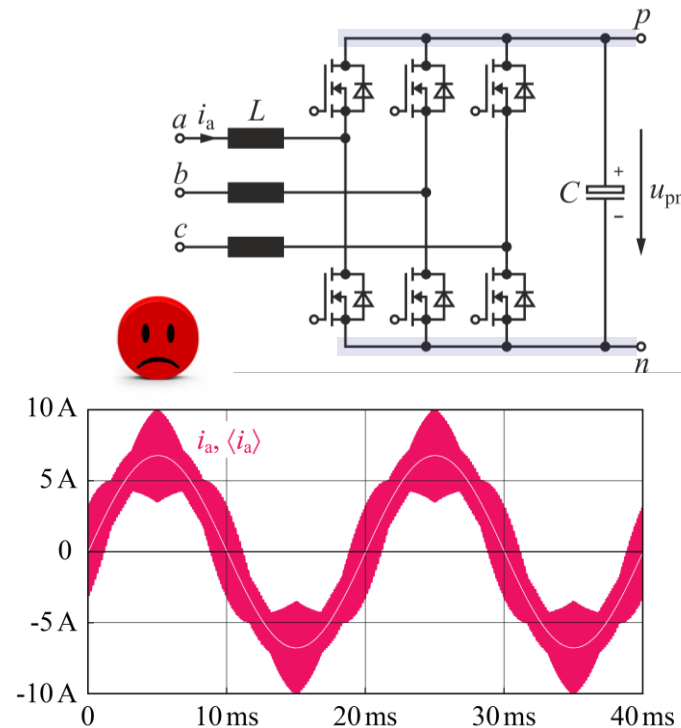
■ Standard PWM Rectifier



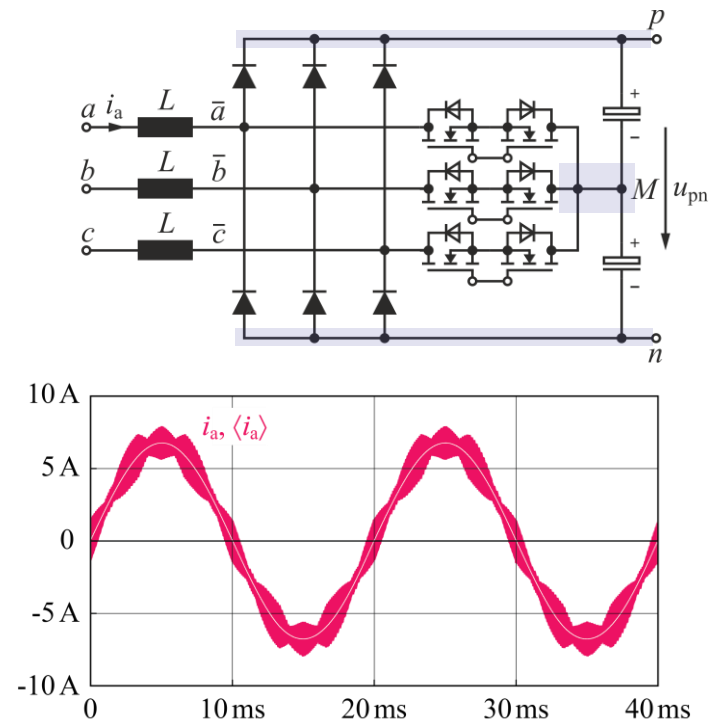
■ VIENNA Rectifier

► 2-Level vs. 3-Level Voltage Generation (2)

- Comparison to Standard 2-Level PWM Rectifier
- 9 vs. 5 Volt. Levels & Factor 2...3 Lower Sw. Losses → 12 kW/dm³ vs. 8 kW/dm³ @ 22kW



■ Standard PWM Rectifier



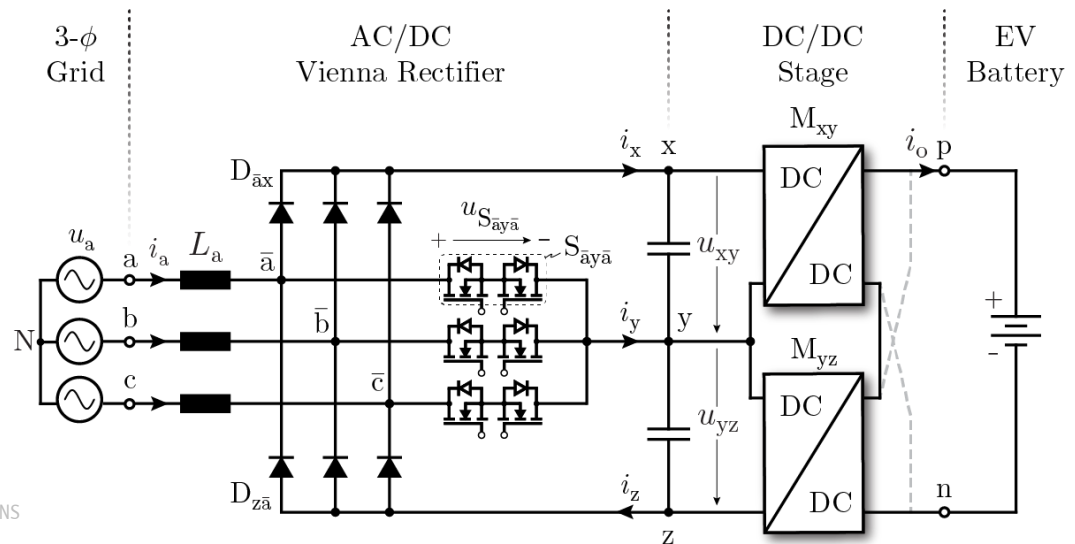
■ VIENNA Rectifier

► Selected EV Charger Topology

- Isolated Controlled Output Voltage
- Buck-Boost Functionality & Sinusoidal Input Current
- *Applicability of 600V GaN Semiconductor Technology*
- High Power Density / Low Costs



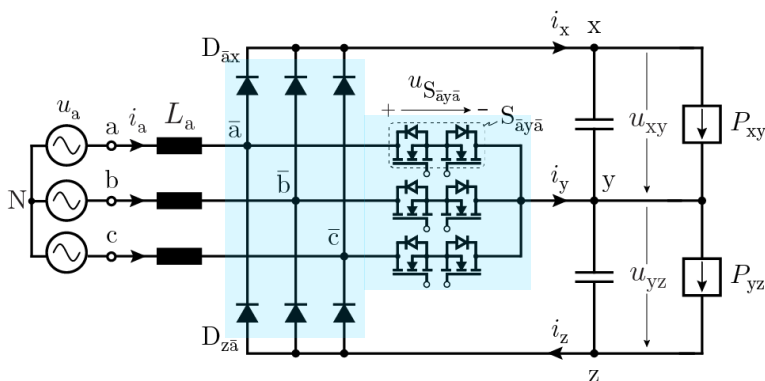
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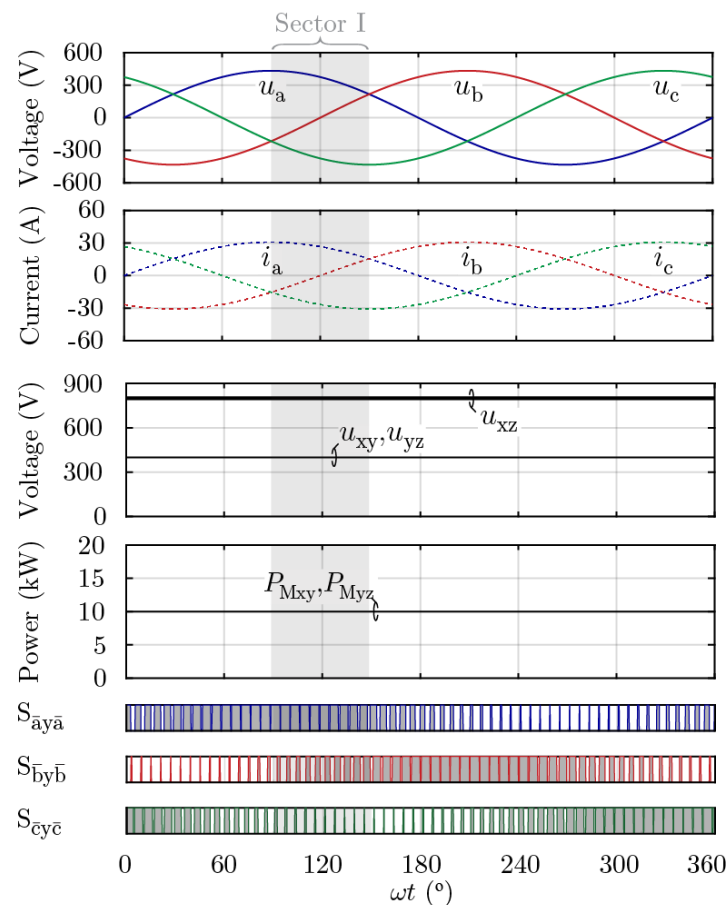
→ Conventional / Independent OR *“Synergetic Control” of Input & Output Stage*

► Conventional Control

- **Decoupled Control of AC/DC- & DC/DC-Stage**
- **Constant DC-Link Voltage (Equally Splitted)**
- **Cont. Sw. of All AC/DC Phases → 3/3 PWM**

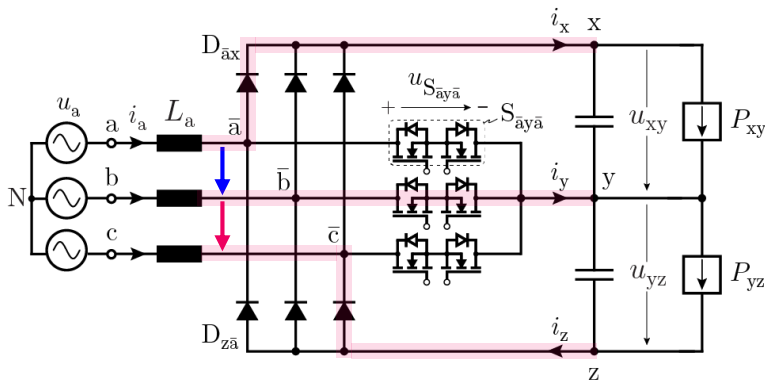


→ **Control Capability & Control DOFs NOT Fully Utilized (!)**

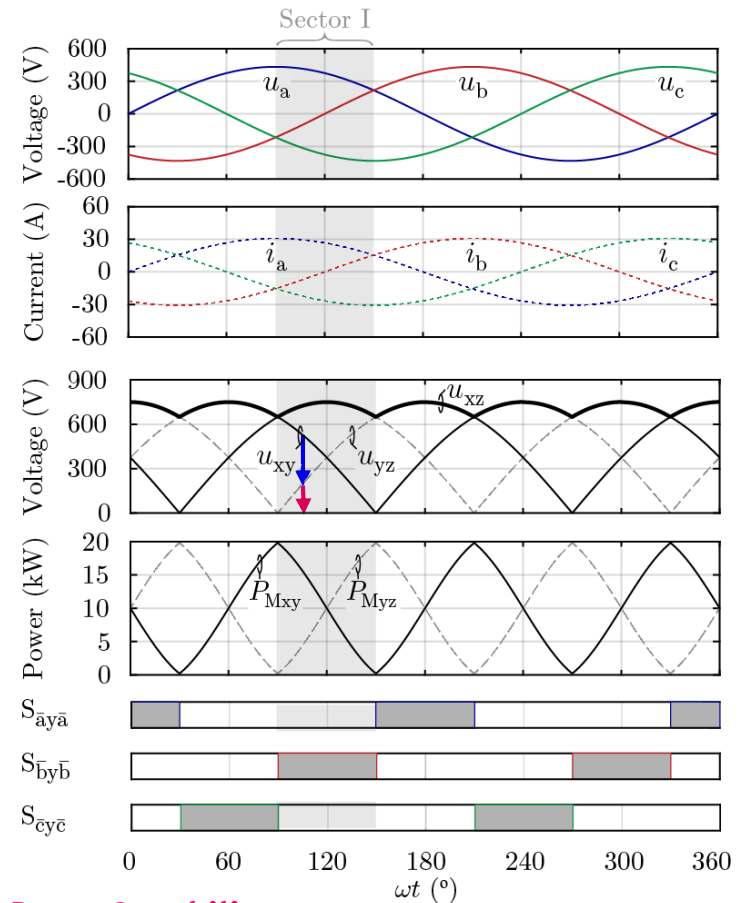


► 3- Φ Unfolder Rectifier Stage

- 100Hz/120Hz Operation of Power Switches
- Only Conduction Losses of AC/DC Stage
- All Current & Voltage Control by DC/DC Stage
- 600V Semiconductors CANNOT Be Used (!)

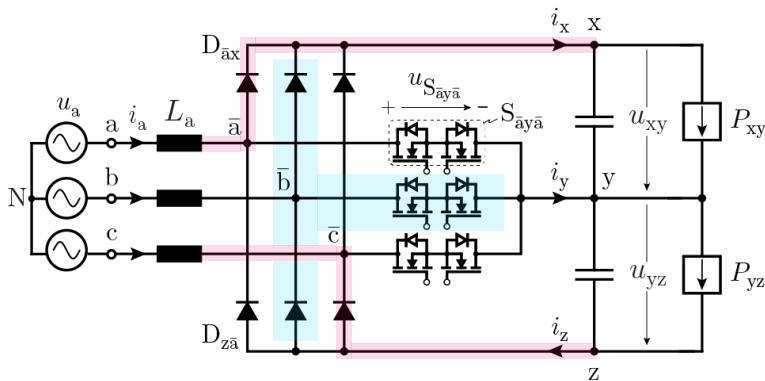


→ Remark: Inductors Could be Omitted (!) → No Boost Capability

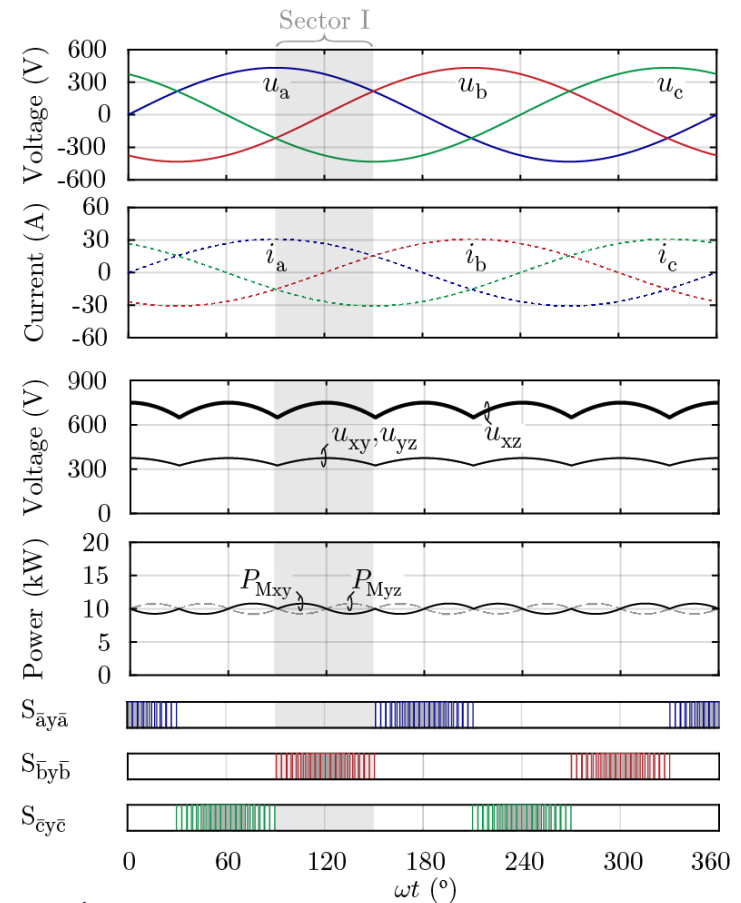


► “Synergetic” Control

- Only Phase with Lowest Current Switched
- Control of 2 Phase Currents by DC/DC-Stage
- Low Stresses on Power Switches
- 600V GaN Semiconductors Can be Used (!)

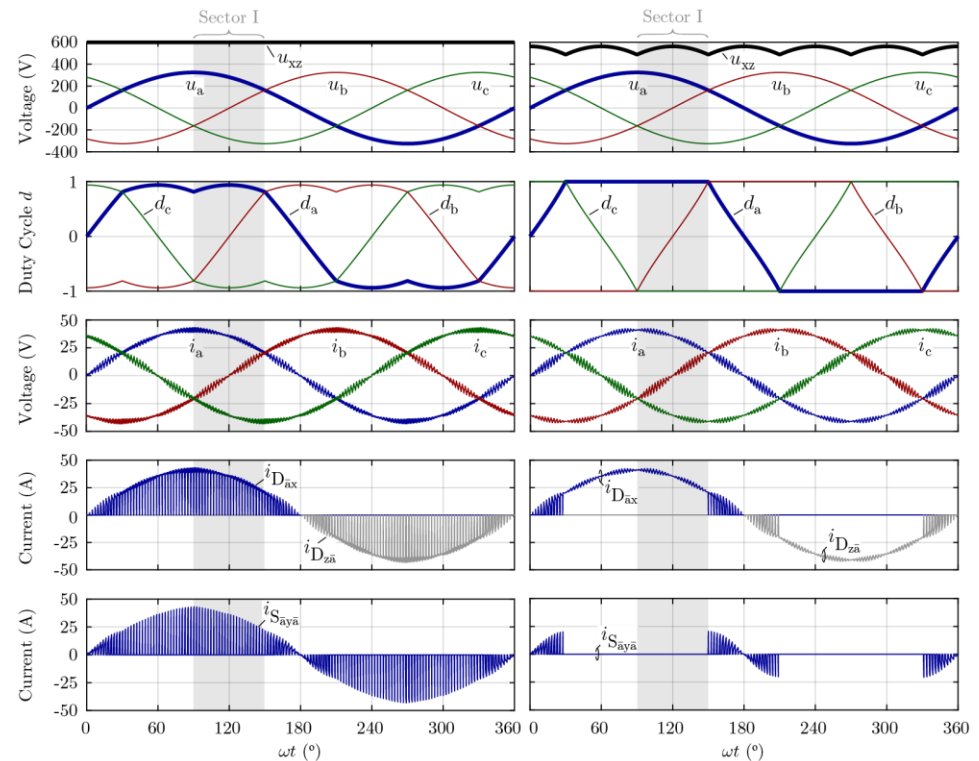
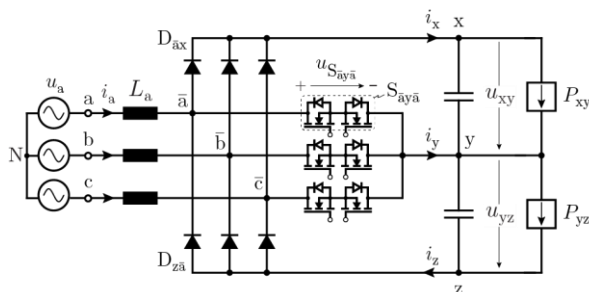


→ Boost Capability Maintained (Transition to 3/3-PWM)

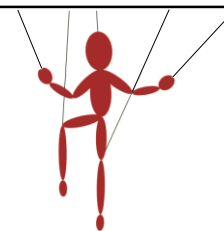


► Conventional vs. “Synergetic” Control

- **1/3-Modulation** → Significant Red. of Losses of the Power Switches Comp. to 3/3-PWM
- **Conduction Losses** ≈ -80%
- **Switching Losses** ≈ -70%



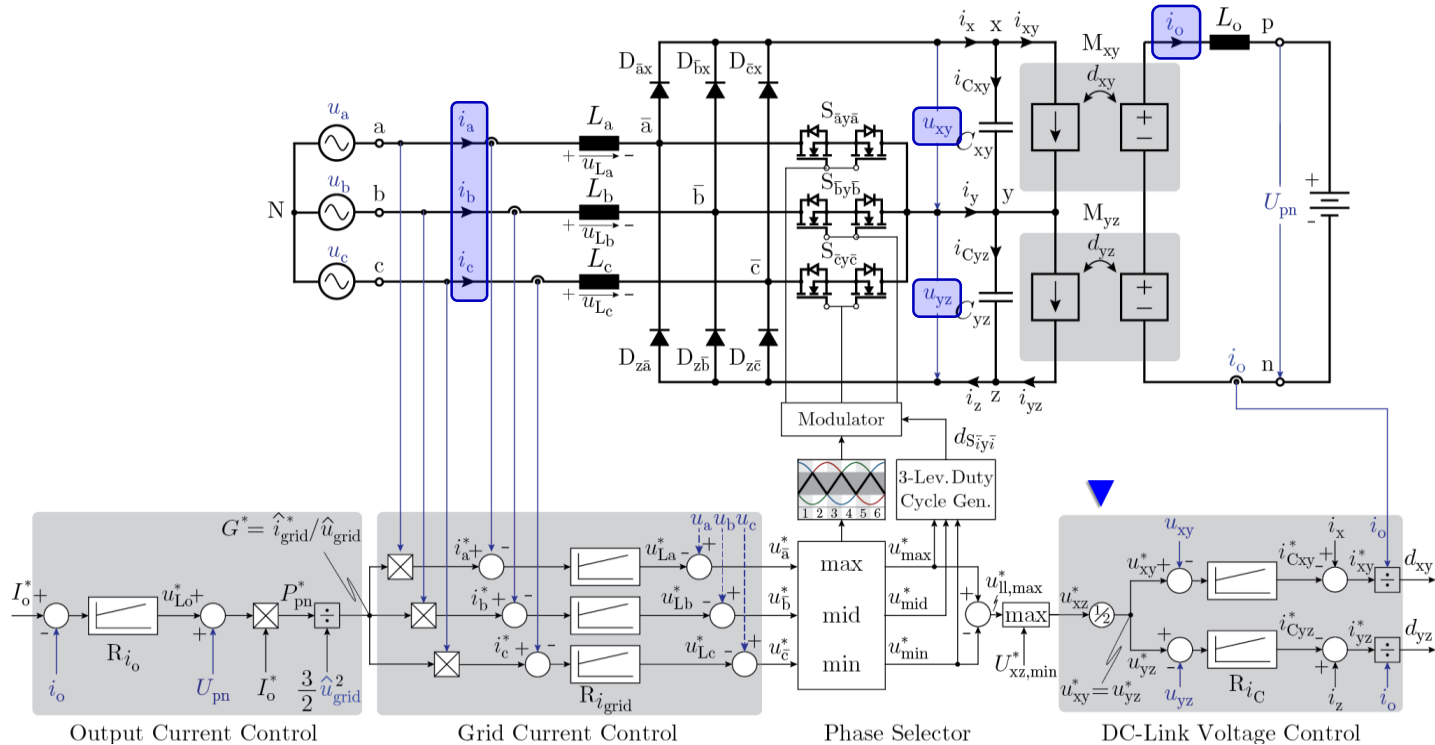
→ Operating Point Dependent Selection of 1/3-PWM OR 3/3-PWM for Min. Overall Losses



***"Synergetic" Cascaded
Control Structure***

► “Synergetic” Control Structure

- **Cascaded Control of Output & Input Current (Direct & Through DC-Link Voltage)**
- **Active Equal DC-Link Voltage Splitting**



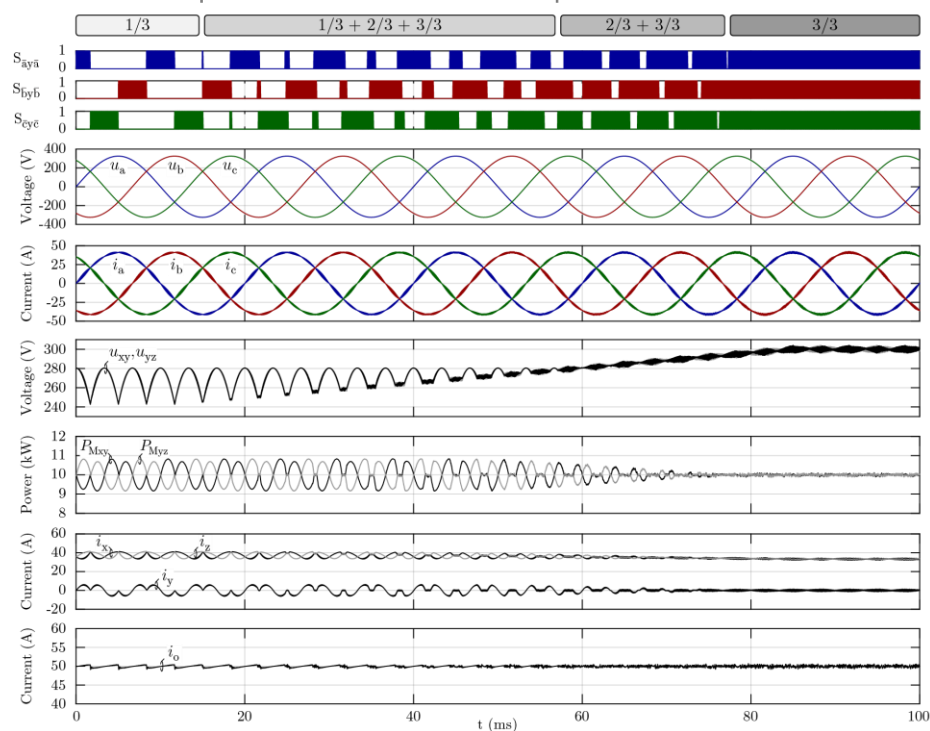
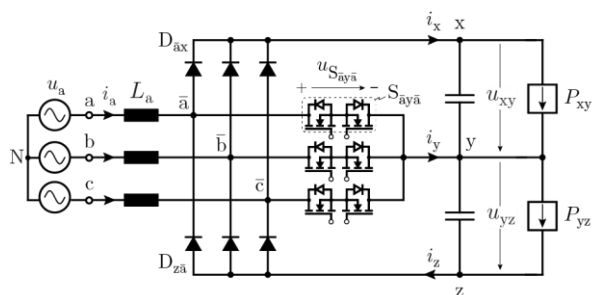
→ Same Control Structure for 3/3-PWM (Full-Boost Mode) Using Diff. Ref. Values

► AC/DC-Stage Transition to Full-Boost Operation

■ Different Operating Regimes → Synergetic

Partial-Boost

Full-Boost



→ Intermediate 2/3-Operation for Limiting DC-Link Center Point Current (Low DC-Cap.)

Isolated Single-Stage

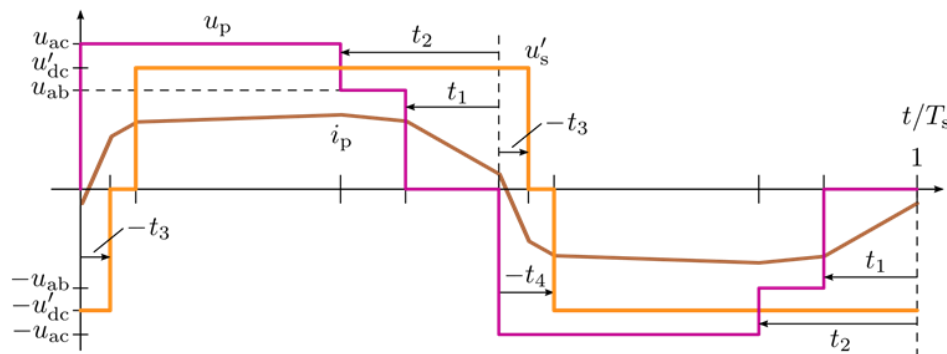
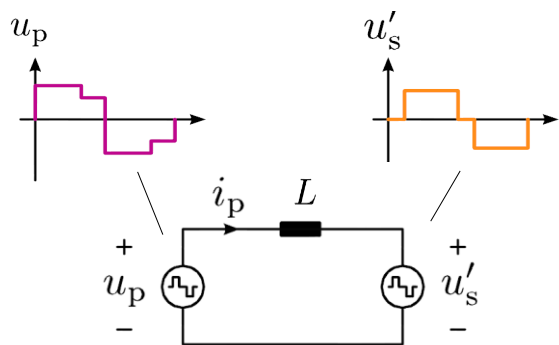
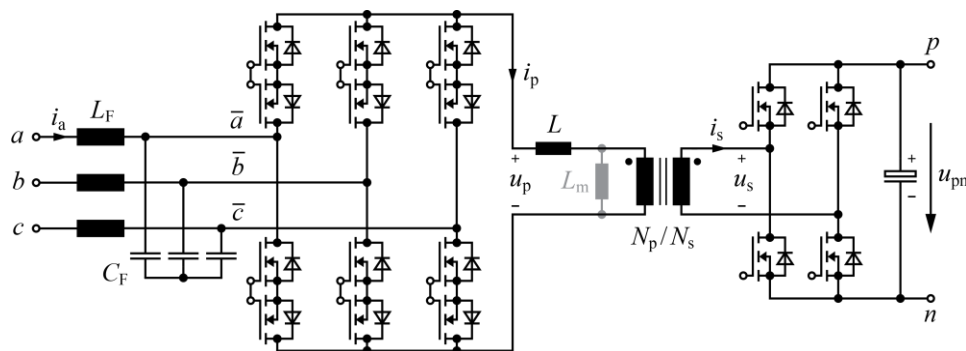
Matrix-Type Rectifier
D3AB-Rectifier



► Isolated Matrix-Type PFC Rectifier (1)



- Based on Dual Active Bridge (DAB) Concept
- Opt. Modulation ($t_1...t_4$) for Min. Transformer RMS Curr. & ZVS or ZCS
- Allows Buck-Boost Operation



► Equivalent Circuit

► Transformer Voltages / Currents

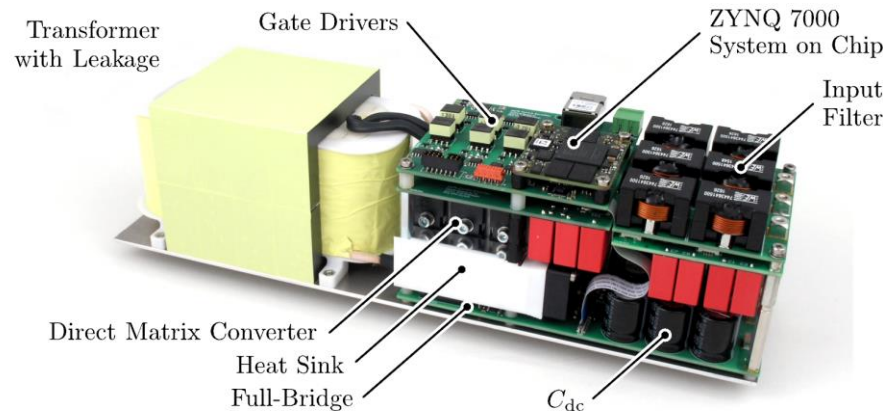
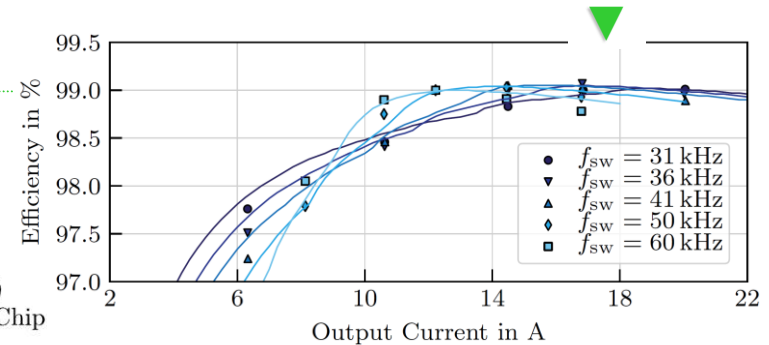
► Isolated Matrix-Type PFC Rectifier (2)

- Efficiency $\eta = 98.9\%$ @ 60% Rated Load (ZVS)
- Mains Current $THD_I \approx 4\%$ @ Rated Load
- Power Density $\rho \approx 4\text{kW}/\text{dm}^3$

$$P_o = 8\text{ kW}$$

$$U_N = 400\text{V}_{\text{AC}} \rightarrow U_o = 400\text{V}_{\text{DC}}$$

$$f_s = 36\text{kHz}$$

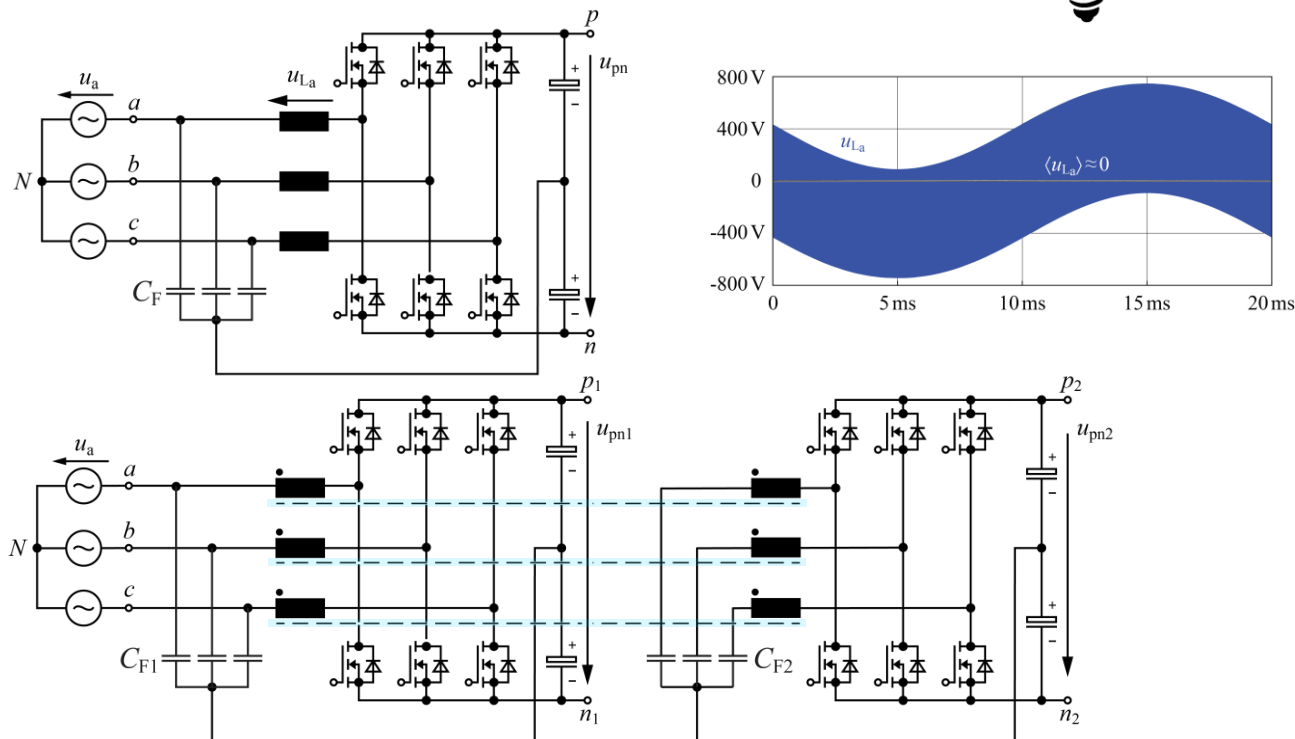


- 900V / 10m Ω SiC Power MOSFETs
- Opt. Modulation Based on 3D Look-Up Table

*Isolated
Dual 3- Φ Active Bridge
Rectifier*

► Dual 3- Φ Active Bridge PFC Rectifier (1)

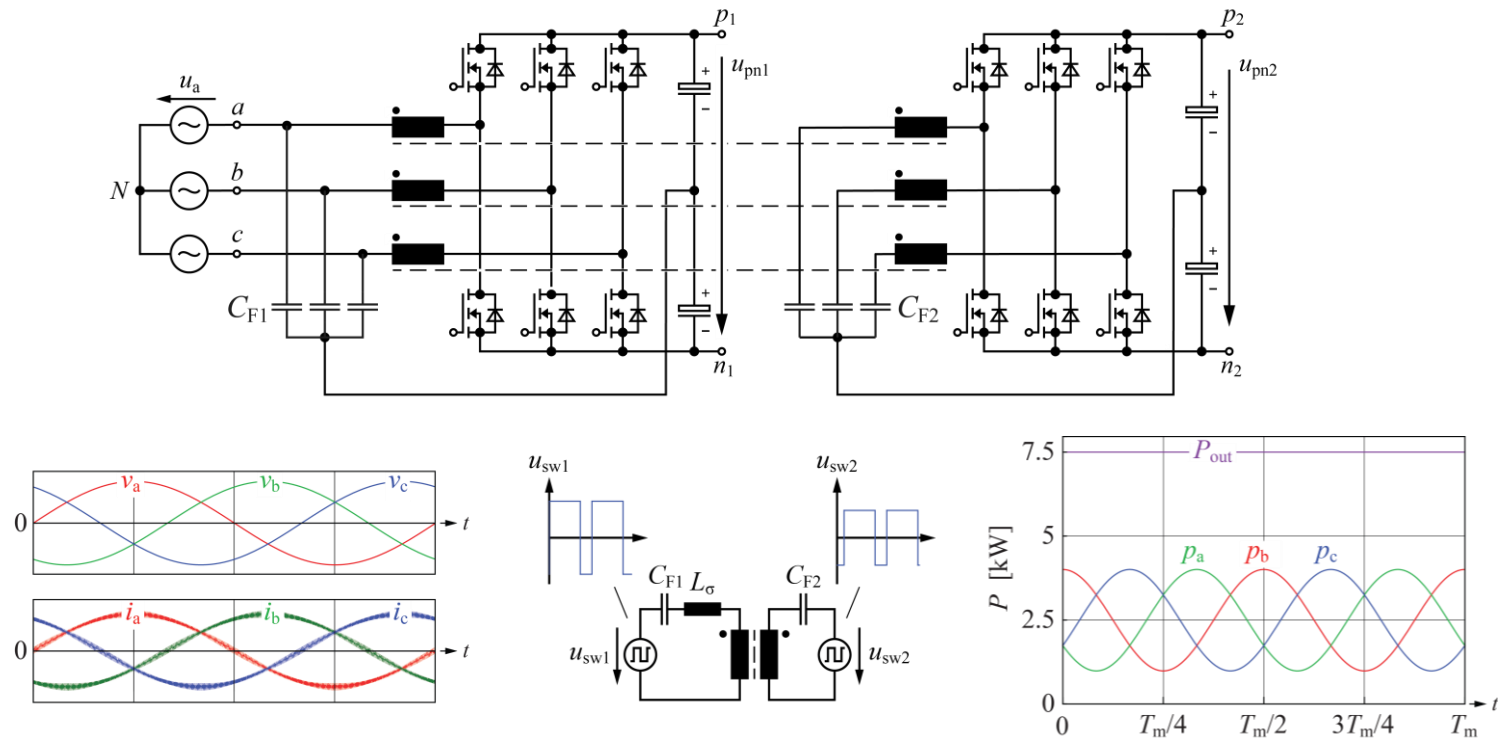
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- *ZVS*



► *Three-Port System* - AC Input / Isol. DC Output / Non-Isol. DC Output

► Dual 3- Φ Active Bridge PFC Rectifier (2)

- HF-Components of Boost Ind. Voltages Utilized for Power Transfer
- Dual Active Bridge Concept
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► **Three-Port System** - AC Input / Isol. DC Output / Non-Isol. DC Output

———— *Conclusions* ————

► Conclusions

■ Future Need for „SWISS Knife“-Type Systems

- Wide Input / Output Voltage Range
- Continuous / Sinusoidal Output Voltage
- Electromagnetically „Quiet“ - No Shielded Cables
- On-Line Monitoring / **Industry 4.0**
- **“Plug & Play”** / Non-Expert Installation
- **SMART Motors**

■ Enabling Technologies

- SiC / GaN
- Adv. (Multi-Level) Topologies incl. PFC Rectifier
- “Synergetic” Control
- Monolithic Bidirectional GaN
- Intelligent Power Modules
- **Integration** of Switch / Gate Drive / Sensing / Monitoring
- **Adv. Modeling** / Simulation / Optimization

■ System Level → Integration of Storage, Distributed DC Bus Systems, etc.



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