

EN 206 - Power Electronics and Machines

Phase Controlled Rectifiers

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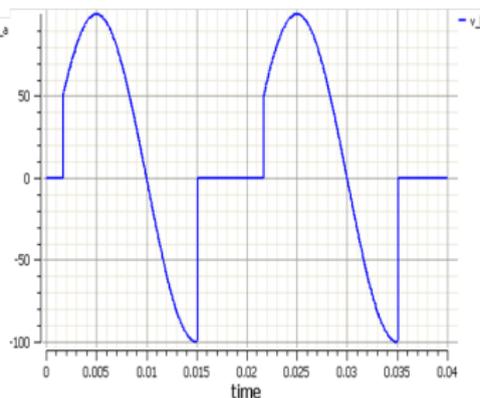
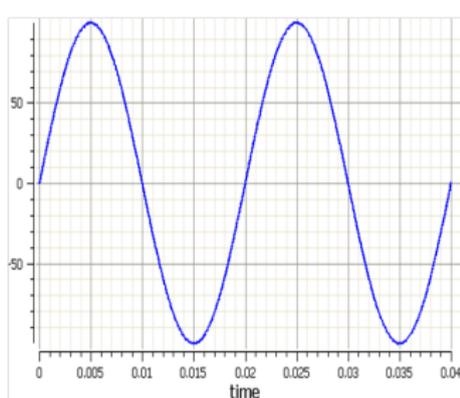
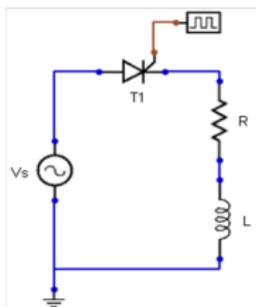
Lecture Organization - Modules

- ▶ Introduction and Power Semiconductor Switches
- ▶ Module 1: Transformers
- ▶ Module 2: AC/DC converter / Rectifier
- ▶ Module 3: DC machines and Drives
- ▶ Module 4: DC/DC converter
- ▶ Module 5: Induction Machine
- ▶ Module 6: DC/AC converter / Inverter
- ▶ Module 7: AC/AC converter / Cyclo converter
- ▶ Module 8: Synchronous Machine
- ▶ Module 9: Special Topics: Machines, HVDC, APF



Single Phase with R-L Load

$V_{s(peak)}=100$ V, $R=0.5\text{ohm}$, $L=6.5\text{mh}$, Firing angle(α)= 30°



Firing angle α - Definition

- ▶ It is defined as angle measured from the instant that gives maximum output voltage to the one at which it is actually triggered.
- ▶ It is measured from the angle that gives largest average output voltage.
- ▶ It is also defined as the angle measured from the instant SCR is forward biased to the instant it is triggered.



Single Phase with R-L Load - Analysis

- ▶ The SCR starts conduction from $\omega t = \alpha$ where it is fired.
- ▶ At this instant load voltage is equal to the supply. The load current slowly rises because of presence of inductance.
- ▶ At $\omega t = \pi$ supply voltage is negative, but the SCR continues to conduct because of inductive load till the load current is not less than holding current.
- ▶ At some angle (extinction angle, $\beta > \pi$) the load current reaches zero and SCR will be turned off as it is already in reverse biased.
- ▶ The conduction angle (γ) is defined as $\gamma = \beta - \alpha$



Single Phase with R-L Load - Analysis

- ▶ The expression for load current can be derived as:

$$i_o = \frac{V_m}{Z} \sin(\omega t - \phi) - \frac{V_m}{Z} \sin(\alpha - \phi) \exp\left\{-\frac{R}{\omega L}(\omega t - \alpha)\right\}$$

for $\alpha < \omega t < \beta$

- ▶ When $\beta = 0$, the load current is zero:

$$\sin(\beta - \phi) = \sin(\alpha - \phi) \exp\left\{-\frac{R}{\omega L}(\beta - \alpha)\right\}$$

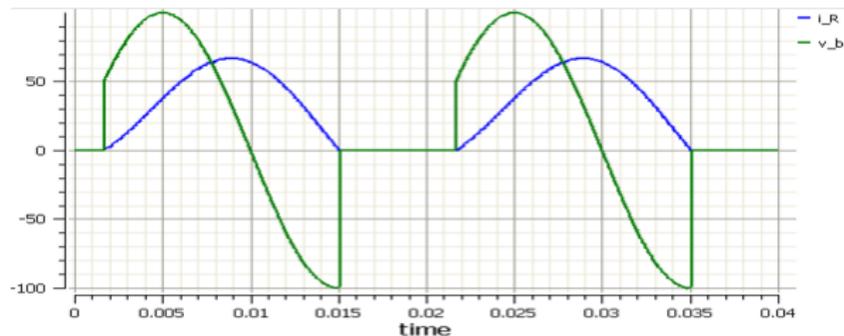
- ▶ If β (from above equation) and α are known then average voltage is given by:

$$V_o = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} V_m \sin \omega t d(\omega t) = \frac{V_m}{2\pi} (\cos \alpha - \cos \beta)$$

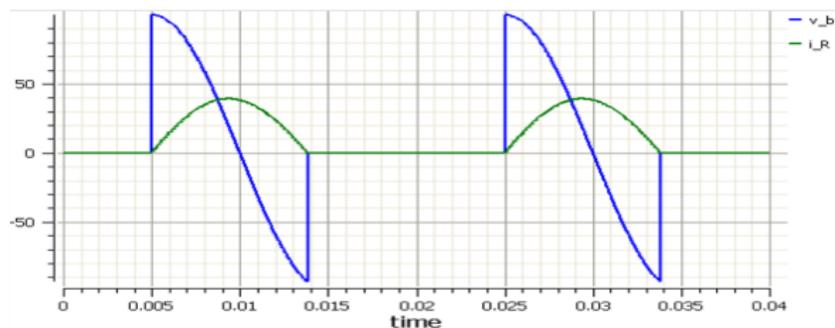


Single Phase with R-L Load

V_0 and I_R for $\alpha = 30^\circ$

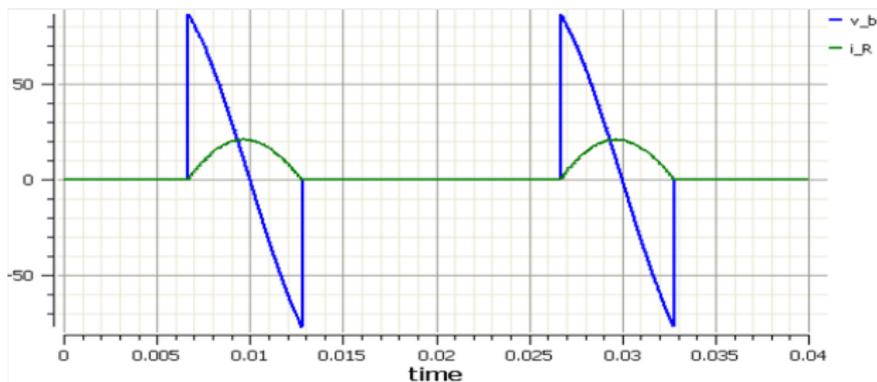


V_0 and I_R for $\alpha = 90^\circ$

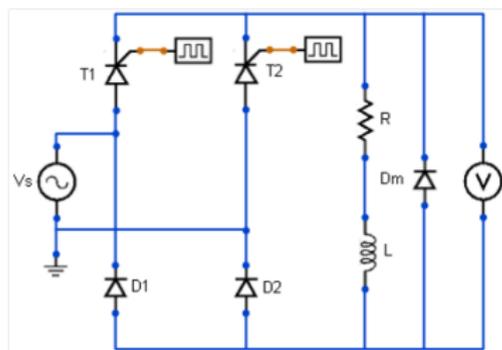


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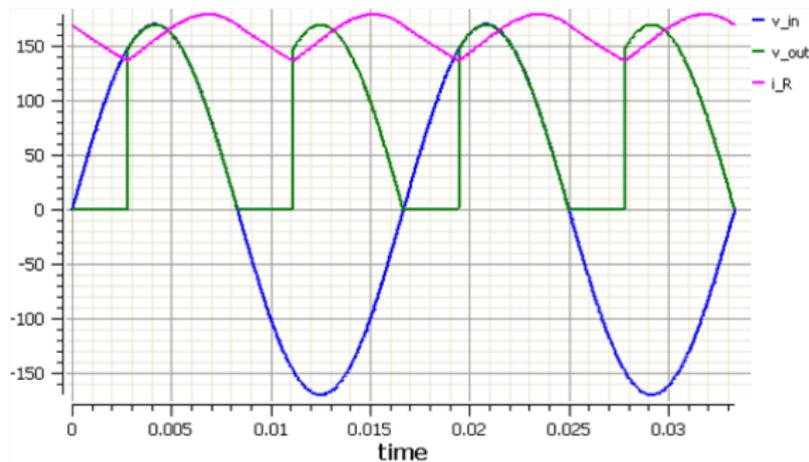
V_0 and I_R for $\alpha = 120^\circ$



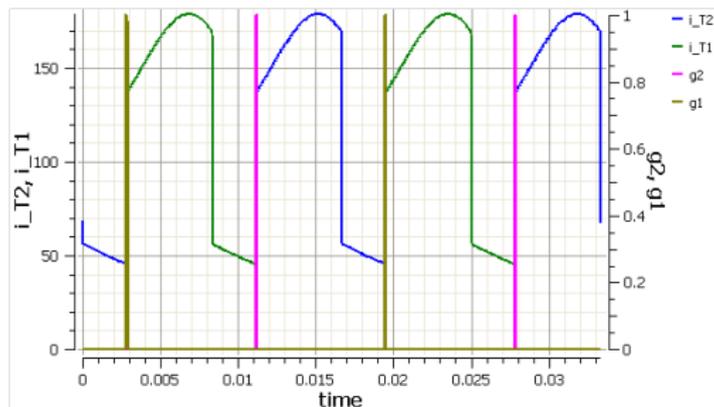
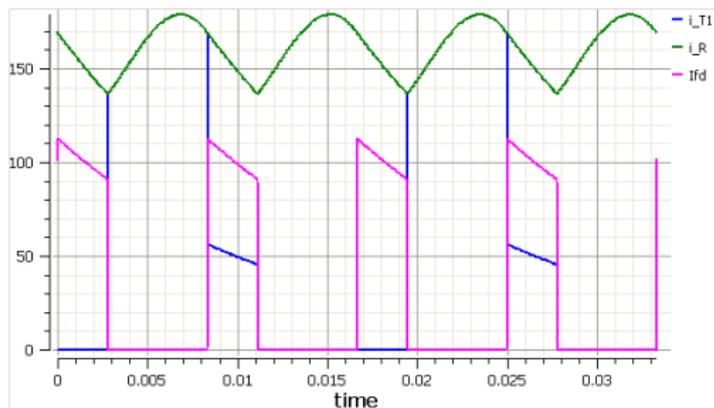
Single Phase Semi Converter



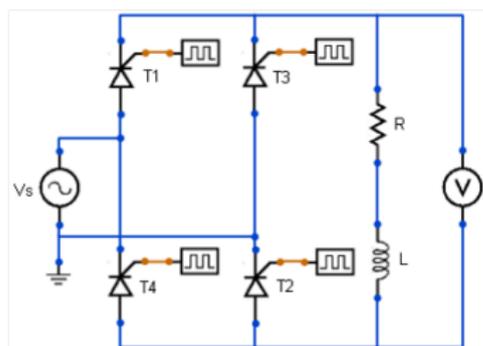
- ▶ $I_T + I_D = I_R$
- ▶ When the free wheeling diode is conducting, $V_0 = 0$
- ▶ When I_{T2} is triggered, commutation occurs from I_{T1} to I_{T2}



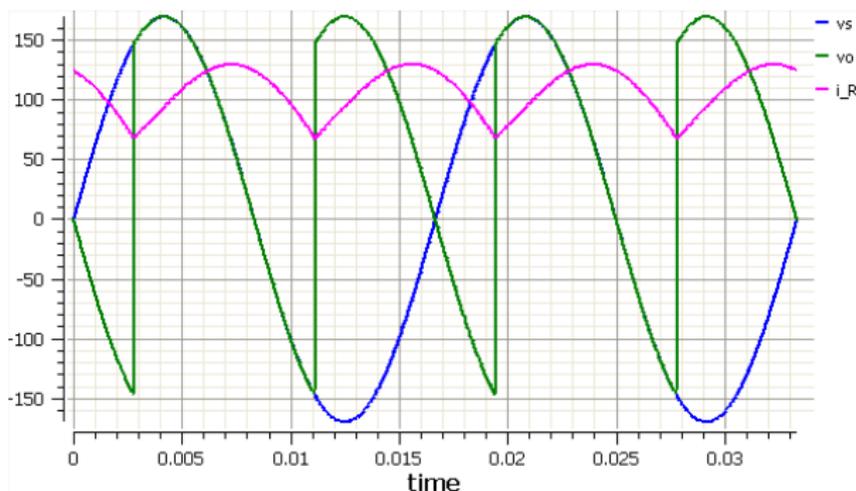
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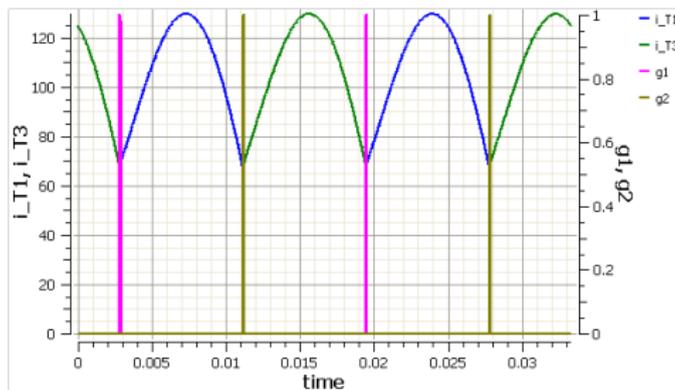
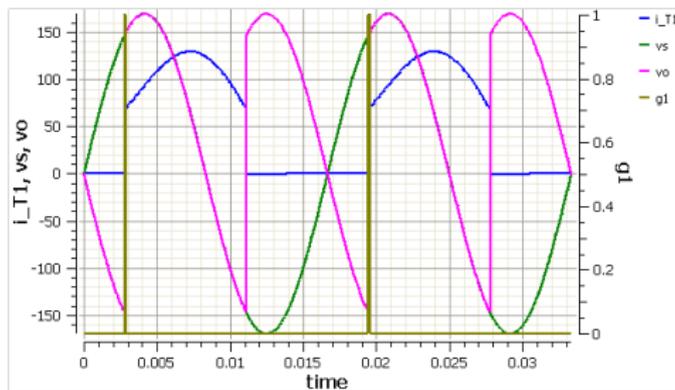
Single Phase Full Bridge Rectifier



- ▶ When I_{T3} and I_{T4} are triggered, commutation occurs from I_{T1-3} to I_{T2-4} .

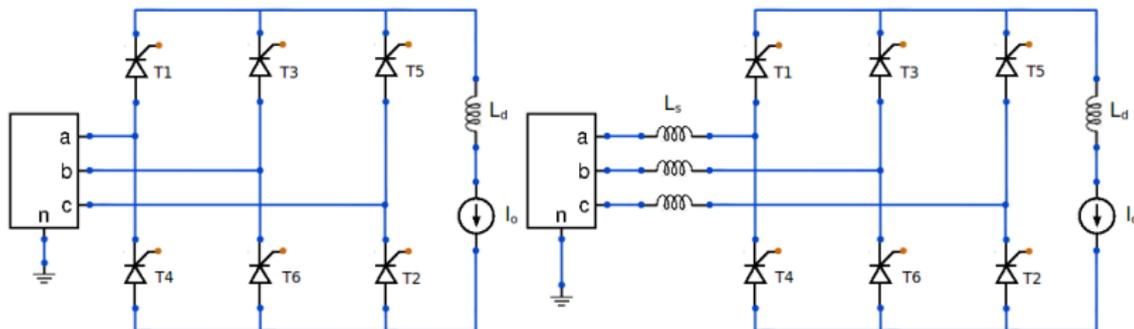
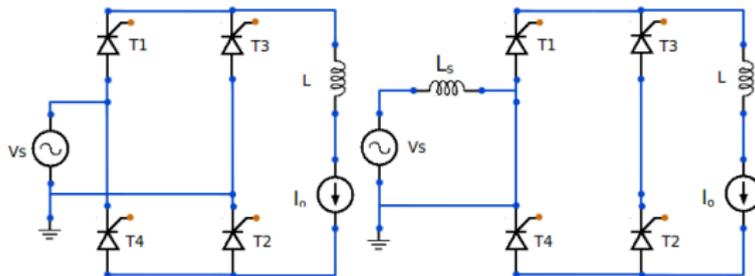


SPFBR- Gate Signals - Output Voltage - Switch current

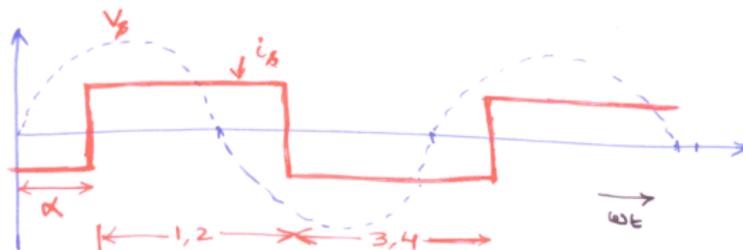
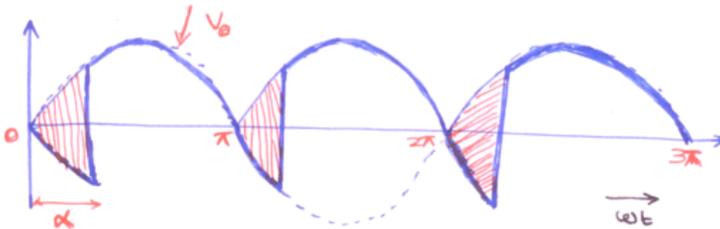
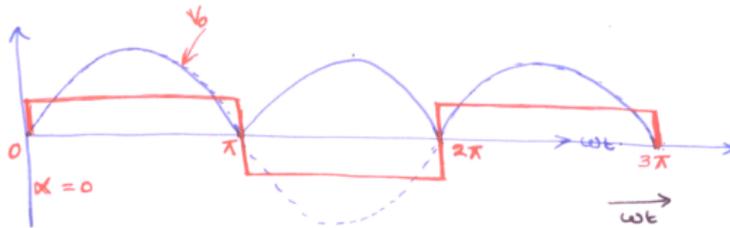


Thyristor Converters - 1 ϕ , 3 ϕ

Practical and Ideal



Waveform- Single Phase Thyristor Converters (Ideal)



Analysis- Single Phase Thyristor Converters (Ideal)

- ▶ α is delay with respect to instant of natural conduction measured in degrees.
- ▶ V_d is negative from 0 to α
- ▶ At $\omega t = a$, the commutation of current from T_3 and T_4 to T_1 and T_2 is instantaneous (since $L_s = 0$)
- ▶ $P = I_d V_d = 0.9 V_s I_d \cos \alpha$, also V_d is negative when $\alpha > 90$ (inverter mode of operation)
- ▶ DC voltage has ripple whose frequency is twice of supply
- ▶ Input line current is square wave with amplitude of I_d and is shifted in phase by an angle α with respect to supply voltage



Analysis- Single Phase Thyristor Converters (Ideal)

- ▶ Fourier Analysis:
 - ▶ Odd harmonics are present
 - ▶ $I_{s1} = 0.9I_d$, $I_{sh} = \frac{I_{s1}}{h}$
 - ▶ %THD = 48.43
- ▶ Displacement power factor (DPF) = $\cos\alpha$
- ▶ Reactive Power $Q_1 = V_s I_{s1} \sin\alpha$
- ▶ Power Factor = DF x DPF = $\frac{I_{s1}}{I_s} DPF = 0.9\cos\alpha$



Inverter Mode of Operation

- ▶ For $90^\circ < \alpha < 180^\circ$ the converter behaves as an inverter if there is a supply source on the dc side.
- ▶ The average power $V_d I_d$ is negative and it flows from dc side to ac side.
- ▶ Also, P_{ac} is negative as $\phi_1 > 90^\circ$.
- ▶ AC voltage source facilitates commutation of current from one pair of thyristors to another.



Full-Semi-Un Controlled Converters - Summary

- ▶ In case of uncontrolled rectifier, diodes are used and there is no control over output voltage.
- ▶ A semiconverter comprises of diodes and SCRs and there is a limited control over the level of dc output voltage. It is a one quadrant converter and output voltage is given by:

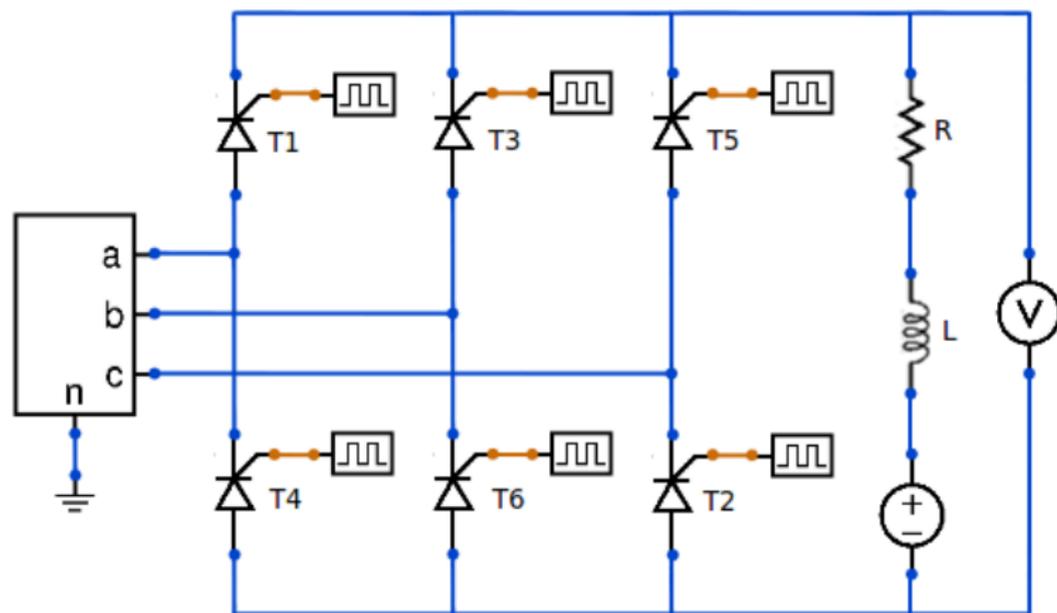
$$V_o = \frac{V_m}{\pi}(1 + \cos \alpha)$$

- ▶ In a full bridge converter, it is possible to control the voltage polarity but the current direction cannot reverse because of thyristors. It is a two quadrant converter and output voltage is given by:

$$V_o = \frac{2V_m}{\pi} \cos \alpha$$



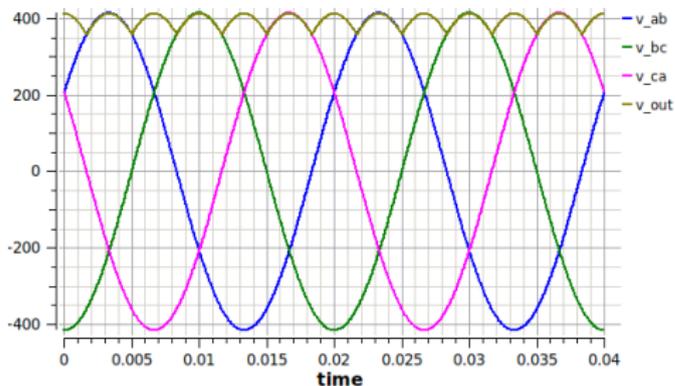
Three Phase Converter - RLE load



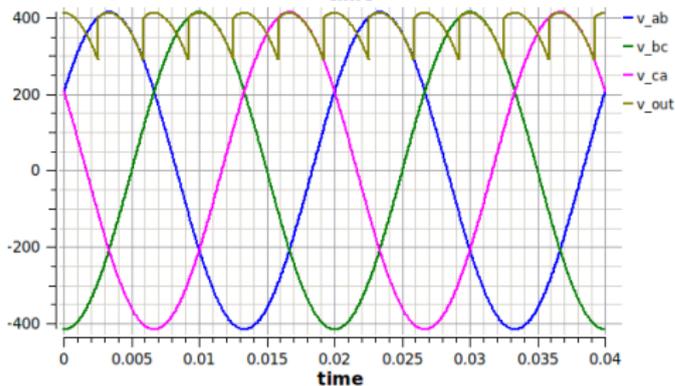
$$V_s = 415V, R=5 \Omega, L=16.5\text{mh}, E=0V$$



Effect of α on V_{dc}



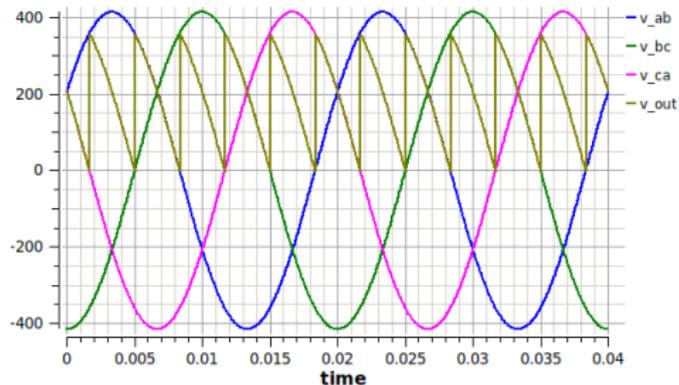
$\alpha = 0^\circ$



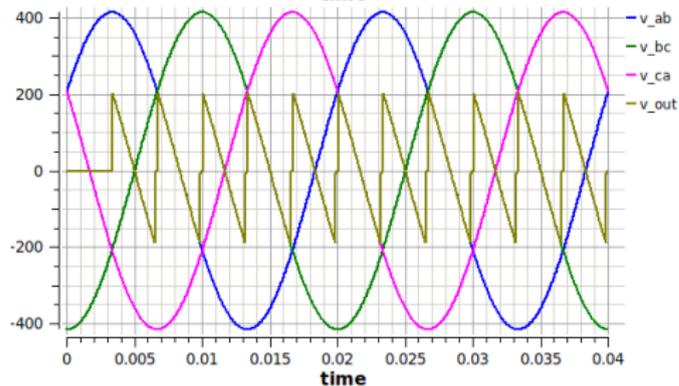
$\alpha = 15^\circ$



Effect of α on V_{dc}



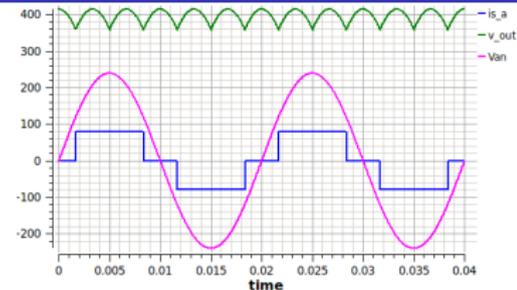
$\alpha = 60^\circ$



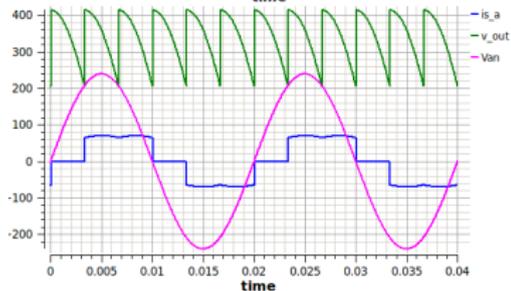
$\alpha = 90^\circ$



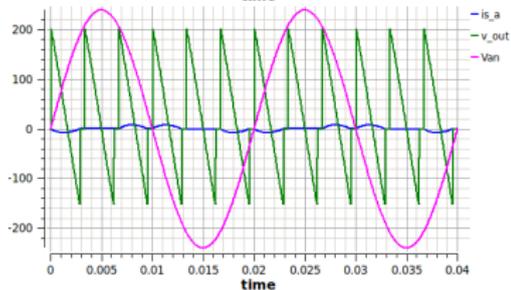
Effect of α on Line Current



$\alpha = 0^\circ$



$\alpha = 30^\circ$



$\alpha = 90^\circ$



Three Phase Converter - Analysis

- ▶ The current I_d flows through one of the thyristors in the top group (1,3,5) and one of the thyristors in bottom group(2,4,6).
- ▶ If gate currents were continuously applied, the circuit would have behaved like a diode bridge rectifier

$$V_{do} = \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{\pi} V_{LL}$$

- ▶ Commutation of current from T5 to T1: T5 keeps conducting till T1 is fired, at which current commutates instantaneously as $L_s = 0$,

$$V_{d\alpha} = \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{\pi} V_{LL} \cos\alpha$$

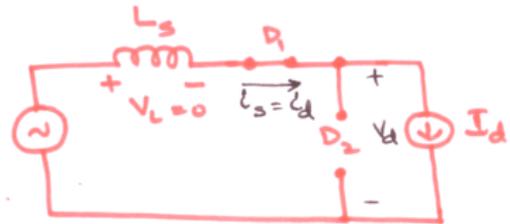
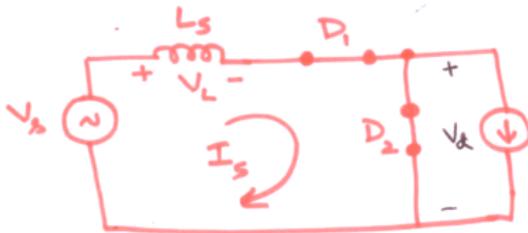
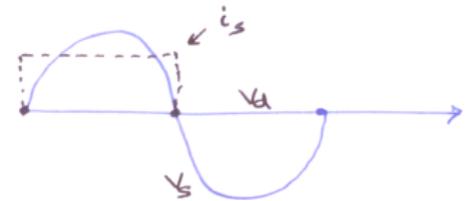
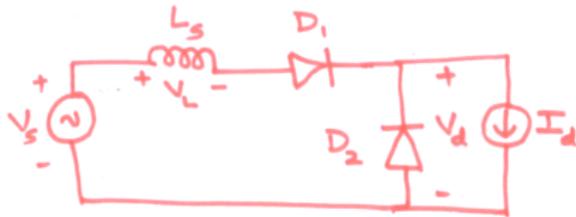


Three Phase Converter - Analysis

- ▶ The input currents are rectangular waveforms with an amplitude I_d and is phase shifted by angle α . Hence named as Phase Controlled Rectifiers.
- ▶ Fourier series: Only nontriplen odd harmonics are present (1,5,7,11,13..) or $h = 6n \pm 1$ ($n=1,2,3$).
- ▶ The rms value of the fundamental frequency component is $I_{s1} = 0.78I_d$ and rms of harmonic component is $I_{sh} = \frac{I_{s1}}{I_h}$
- ▶ Distortion factor = $\frac{3}{\pi} = 0.955$ and $THD = 31.08\%$



Effect of L_s on current commutation

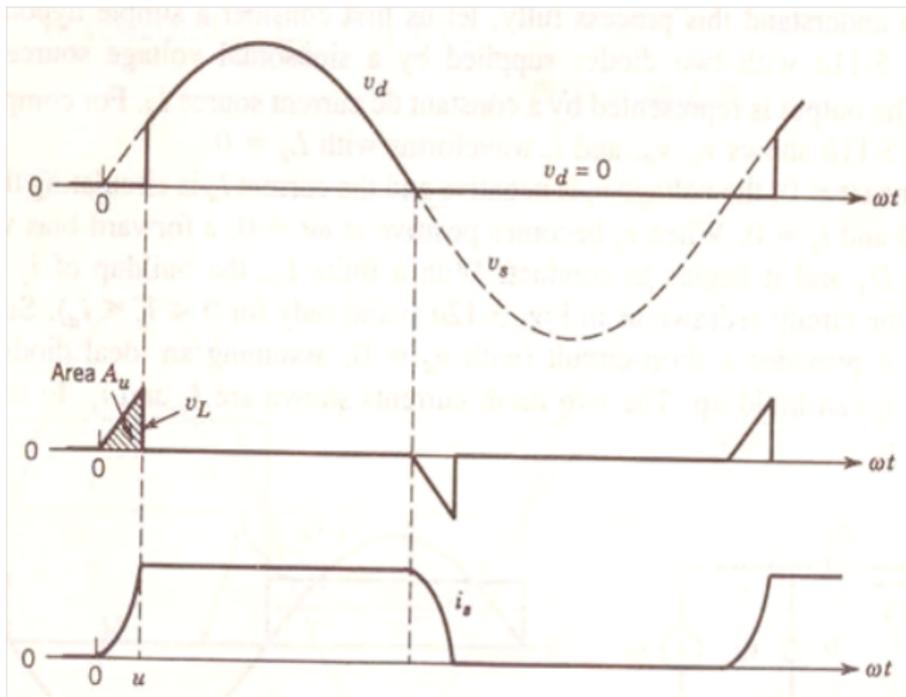


Analysis - Commutation

- ▶ The process where the current conduction shifts from one diode to other is called current commutation.
- ▶ Due to finite inductance L_s , it is not possible to have instantaneous transition of i_s from $+I_d$ to 0 or $-I_d$ in case of full wave rectifier.
- ▶ Prior to $\omega t = 0$, D2 is conducting and V_s is negative, and I_d is circulating through D2.
- ▶ When V_s is positive at $\omega t = 0$, D1 is forward biased and it begins to conduct.
- ▶ $i_{D2} = I_d - i_s$ and therefore as i_s builds up to a value of I_d during the commutation interval $\omega t = u$ and during this interval i_{D2} is positive and hence D2 is conducting
- ▶ At $\omega t = u$, $I_d = I_s$ and hence D2 stops conducting



Analysis - Commutation



Analysis - Commutation

- ▶ i_s varies between 0 and I_d during commutation period and also, during the commutation period source voltage is applied across inductor.
- ▶ For $0 < \omega t < u$: $V_L = V_m \sin \omega t = L_s \frac{di_s}{dt}$

$$\int_0^u V_m \sin \omega t . d(\omega t) = \omega L_s \int_0^{I_d} (di_s)$$

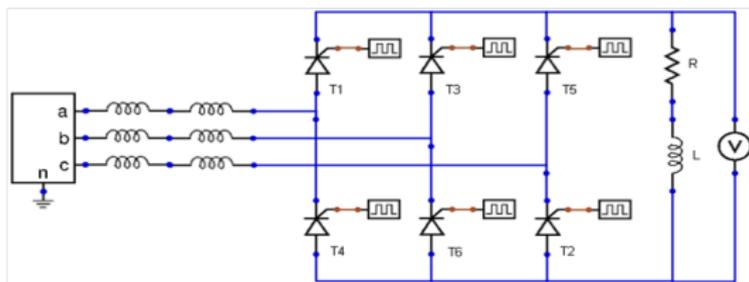
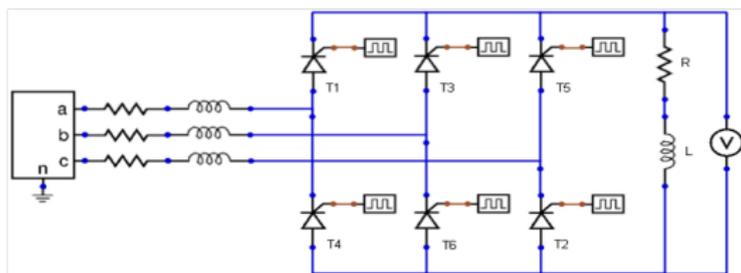
$$A_u = \int_0^u V_m \sin \omega t . d(\omega t) = \sqrt{2} V_s (1 - \cos u) = \omega L_s I_d$$

$$\cos u = 1 - \frac{\omega L_s I_d}{\sqrt{2} V_s}$$

$$\Delta V_d = \frac{\text{area} A_u}{2\pi} = \frac{\omega L_s I_d}{2\pi}$$



Three phase controlled rectifier (Line Commutated)



Practical arrangement $L_s = L_{s1} + L_{s2}$, Point of Common Coupling.



Three phase controlled rectifier (Line Commutated)

- ▶ Inductor should be minimum 5% i.e., $\omega L_s \geq 0.05 \frac{V_{LL}}{\sqrt{3}I_{s1}}$
- ▶ For fixed α , current commutation takes finite commutation interval 'u'.
- ▶ The reduction in volt-radian due to commutation interval is

$$A_u = \int_0^{\alpha+u} V_{L_s} d(\omega t) = \omega L_s \int_0^{i_d} (di_a) = \omega L_s I_d$$

therefore the average dc output voltage is given by

$$V_d = \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{\pi} V_{LL} \cos\alpha - \frac{3\omega L_s}{\pi} I_d$$

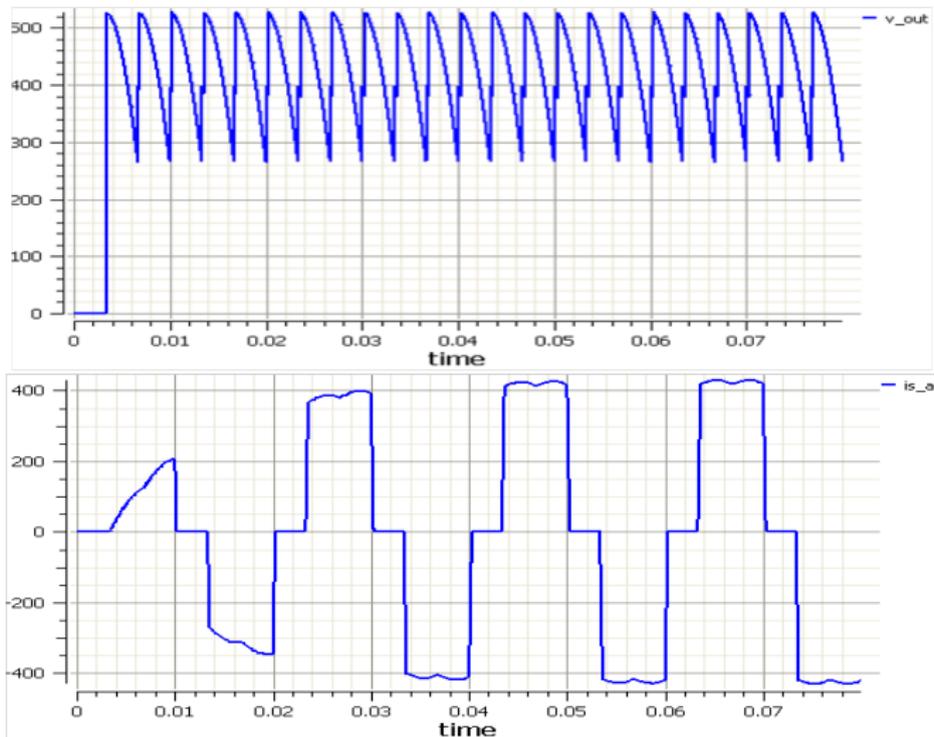
$$\cos(\alpha + u) = \cos\alpha - \frac{2\omega L_s}{\sqrt{2}V_{LL}} I_d$$

knowing α and I_d , u can be calculated.

- ▶ The ac side inductance reduces the magnitude of the harmonic currents

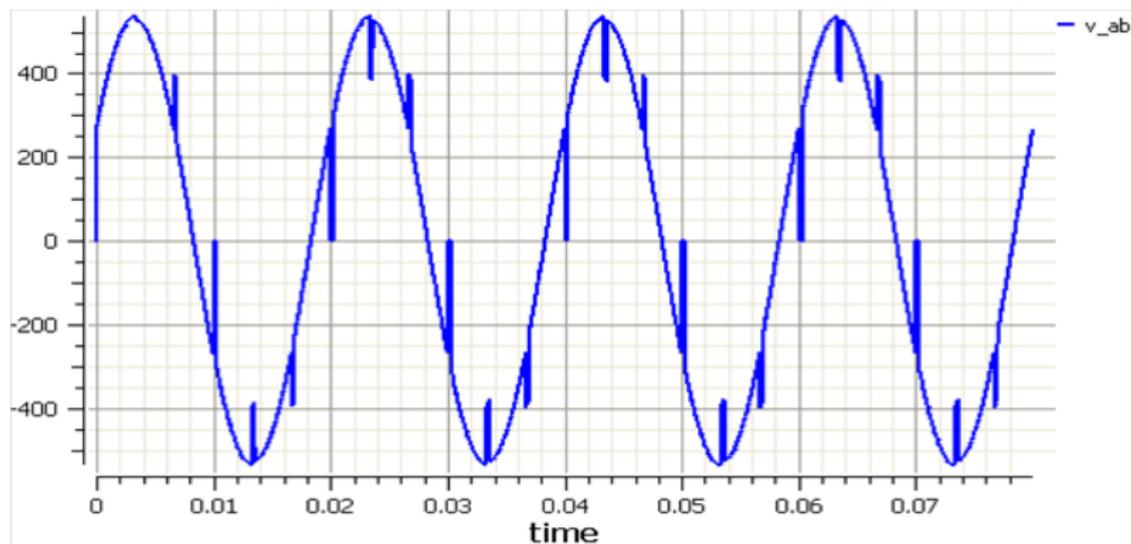


Output Voltage and Source Current



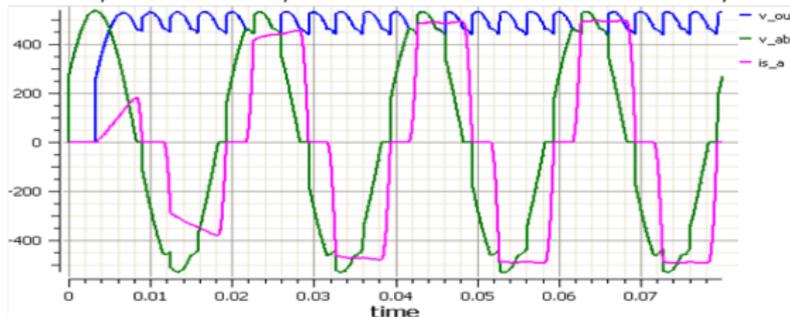
Voltage at PCC

$R=1.0 \Omega$, $L=10\text{mH}$, $R_s=0.005$ and $L_s=0.1\text{m}$, $\alpha = 60^\circ$

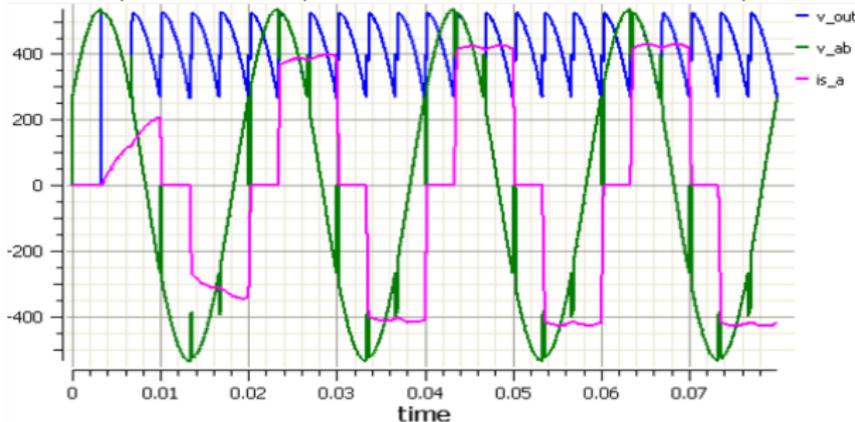


Effect of α on voltage at PCC

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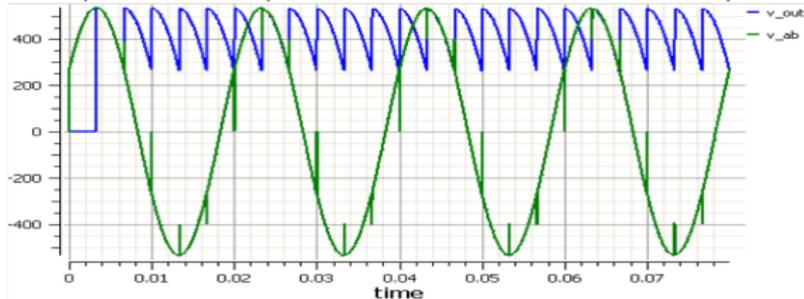


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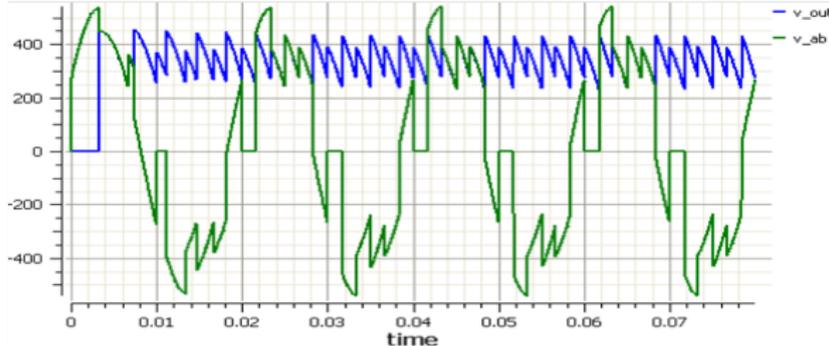


Effect of L_s on Notch Size

$R=1.0 \Omega$, $L=10\text{mH}$, $R_s=0.005$ and $L_s=0.01\text{m}$, $\alpha = 60^\circ$



$R=1.0 \Omega$, $L=10\text{mH}$, $R_s=0.005$ and $L_s=1\text{m}$, $\alpha = 60^\circ$



- ▶ AC/DC Converter
 - ▶ Single phase - Phase controlled rectifier with R, RL and RC loads.
 - ▶ Three phase - Phase controlled rectifier with R, RL and RC loads.
 - ▶ Effect of line impedance on commutation.

Next Class

- ▶ AC/DC Converter - PWM Rectifiers
- ▶ Thank you!!

For Further Reading:

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- ▶ Power electronics and motor drives: advances and trends: Bimal K Bose. Pearson Education.

