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EVALUATION OF LOSSES IN VOLTAGE SOURCE INVERTER USING PWM TECHNIQUES FED WITH INDUCTION MOTOR DRIVE

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Abstract : The performance evaluation of Voltage Source Inverter (VSI) in an induction motor drive is critical for assessing the efficiency and effectiveness of the system. This abstract focuses on the performance evaluation of VSI based on two popular Pulse Width Modulation (PWM) techniques, namely Sinusoidal Pulse Width Modulation (SPWM) and Space Vector Pulse Width Modulation (SVPWM), and provides insights into which technique is better suited for induction motor drives.

PWM techniques are used in VSIs to control the output voltage and frequency by adjusting the pulse widths of the switching devices. SPWM generates a series of sinusoidal pulses with varying widths to synthesize the desired output voltage waveform. On the other hand, SVPWM divides the voltage space vector into smaller vectors and dynamically adjusts the duty cycles of the switching devices to approximate the desired output voltage vector.

The performance evaluation of VSI in an induction motor drive can be assessed by comparing different PWM techniques such as SPWM and SVPWM. While SPWM is simpler to implement and offers smoother output waveforms, SVPWM provides better voltage utilization and lower harmonic distortion.

SVPWM technique have better efficiency than SPWM technique.

Keywords: Sinusoidal Pulse Width Modulation (SPWM), Space Vector Pulse Width Modulation (SVPWM), Pulse Width Modulation (PWM) and Voltage Source Inverter (VSI)

1. INTRODUCTION

Three-phase inverters are widely used in various applications such as motor drives, renewable energy systems and grid-connected systems. Inverters are responsible for converting DC power into AC power and play a crucial role in the efficient utilization of electrical energy. One of the key considerations in inverter design is to minimize power losses, as higher losses lead to reduced efficiency and increased energy consumption.

Importance of Loss Analysis:

Losses in three-phase inverters directly impact their overall efficiency and performance understanding the loss mechanisms and comparing different modulation techniques can provide insights into optimizing inverter design and improving energy conversion efficiency. Loss analysis helps in identifying the most suitable modulation technique for specific applications, considering factors such as power quality, harmonic content, and efficiency.

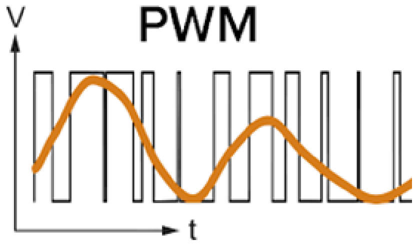
1.1 Problem Statement

Three-phase inverters have a wide range of uses, including motor drives, systems for renewable energy, and systems that are connected to the grid.Due to the fact that they convert DC power into AC power, inverters are essential for the efficient use of electrical energy.One of the key considerations in the design of an inverter is the minimization of power losses because higher losses lead to lower efficiency and higher energy consumption.

The main problem is the low efficiency of voltage source inverters caused by losses.

1.2 About PWM Technique

Pulse-width modulation (**PWM**) is a method of reducing the average power delivered by an electrical signal, by effectively chopping it up into discrete parts. Basically, it is a technique to generate low frequency output signals from high frequency pulses. Pulse- width modulation uses a rectangular pulse wave whose pulse width is modulated resulting in the variation of the average value of the waveform. Pulse width modulation (PWM)is a modulation technique that generates variable-width pulses to represent the amplitude of an analogue input signal. The output switching transistor is on more of the time for a high-amplitude signal and off more of the time for a low-amplitude signal



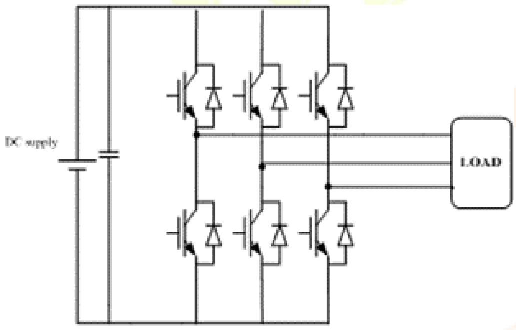
Output waveform of PWM

Pulse Width Modulation (PWM) is a digital technology that uses the amount of power delivered to a device that can be changed. It generates analogue signals by using a digital source. A PWM signal is basically a square wave which is switched between on and off state.

1.3 Three-Phase Voltage Source Inverter

Three-phase inverters are normally used for high-power applications. A three phase power electronic DC-AC converter, so called "Inverter", is required for converting DC output voltage to AC voltage for distribution purpose. Voltage Source Inverters are generally classified into two types: square-wave and pulse width modulated. In early 1960s these inverters were introduced when force commutation technique was developed.The major disadvantage of this inverter is that, for low or medium power applications the output voltage contains lower order harmonics. In many industrial applications, it is oftenrequired to vary the output voltage of inverter due to following reasons:

- To compensate for the variations in the input voltage.
- To compensate for the regulation of inverters.
- To supply some special loads which need variations of voltage with frequency, such asan induction motor.



Circuit Diagram **In Research Lab**

The Schematic diagram for a basic three phase Voltage Source Inverter (VSI) is shown in Figure. A Three phase voltage source inverter circuit changes DC input voltage to a three phase variable frequency, variable voltage output. The input DC voltage can be from a DC source or rectified AC voltage. A Three phase inverter can be constructed by combining three single phase half bridge inverters. It consists of six power switches withsix associated with freewheeling diodes. The switches are opened and closed periodicallyin the proper sequence to produce the desired output waveform.

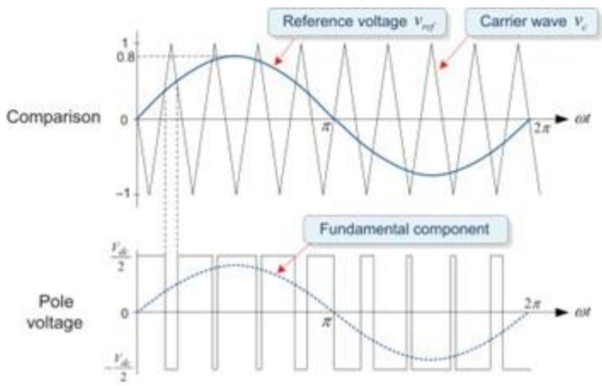
1.4 Different Type of PWM Techniques For Three Phase VSI

Voltage source inverters have become standard in most dc-to-ac applications. It is possible to control the output voltage as well as optimize the harmonics by performing multiple switching within the inverter with constant dc input voltage. The principle of PWM is to control output voltage and eliminate lower order harmonics. There are various PWM methods are as follows:

A. Sinusoidal PWM
B. Space Vector PWM
C. Harmonic compensation
D. Selective Harmonic Elimination

A. Sinusoidal PWM

The sinusoidal PWM technique is very popular for industrial converter. To produce a sinusoidal output voltage waveform at a desired frequency, a sinusoidal control signal atthe desired frequency is compared with a triangular waveform and point of intersection determine the switching points of the power device. In sine PWM technique, triangle carrier wave of frequency is compared with fundamental frequency sinusoidal modulatingwave.



Discrete waveform for SPWM

B. Space Vector PWM

The space vector PWM (SVM) is advanced and complex PWM method. In SVM method the three-phase sinusoidal and balanced voltages are applied it can be shown that space vector with magnitude V_m rotates in a circular orbit at an angular velocity ω and directionof rotation depend on phase sequences of voltages.

1.5 MATLAB

MATLAB is a high-level programming language and interactive environment designed for numerical computing, data analysis, and visualization. The name MATLAB stands for "MATrix LABoratory," reflecting its original focus on matrix computations. It provides a powerful set of tools and functions for solving a wide range of mathematical problems, including linear algebra, optimization, signal processing, image and video processing, control systems, and more.

MATLAB features a convenient and intuitive syntax that allows users to express complex mathematical operations and algorithms concisely. It also includes an extensive collection of prebuilt functions and toolboxes, which are specialized sets of functions for specific application areas, such as statistics, machine learning, signal processing, and finance. These toolboxes provide additional functionality and allow users to solve domain-specific problems efficiently.

MATLAB is widely used in academia, research, engineering, and industry for tasks such as data analysis, algorithm development, simulation, and prototyping. Its interactive environment, combined with powerful visualization capabilities, makes it an effective tool for exploring and analyzing data, as well as communicating results.

1.6 Need of Reduction of Losses By Using PWM Techniques

PWM techniques are crucial for reducing losses in power electronic systems. They offer several advantages, including precise control of switches, generation of high-quality output waveforms, and reduction of switching losses. By modulating the duty cycle of the switching signal, these techniques allow for efficient power transfer, minimizing unnecessary power dissipation and losses associated with power conversion.

PWM techniques also enable the generation of high-quality output waveforms, reducing harmonic content and losses in both power electronic devices and the connected load. They also optimize switching frequencies during device transitions, ensuring minimal losses and improving overall system efficiency.

PWM techniques also allow for control of output voltage or current waveform frequency and amplitude, allowing for adaptation to varying load conditions. This flexibility results in improvedefficiency and reduced losses.

Advanced control strategies, such as predictive or adaptive control algorithms, can be implementedto optimize switching patterns, minimizing losses and improving system performance under different operating conditions. Overall, PWM techniques are essential for loss reduction in power electronic systems, enabling precise control, high-quality waveform synthesis, and efficient switching operations.

2. LITERATURE REVIEW

This literature review explores the calculation of losses in inverters employing Pulse WidthModulation (PWM) techniques. Inverters are crucial components in power electronicsystems, converting direct current (DC) to alternating current (AC). PWM techniques are widely used in inverters to control the switching of power devices and regulate the output waveform. Understanding the losses incurred in these inverters is essential for improving their efficiency and overall performance.

Overall, the literature review highlights the importance of accurately calculating losses in inverters using PWM techniques. The studies discussed provide valuable insights into the estimation of conduction losses, switching losses, and the evaluation of different PWM techniques for loss minimization. These findings contribute to the development of efficient and high-performance inverters, benefiting various applications in power electronic systems.

The various research papers we have used are discussed below:

1. Title: “Comparison of Inverter Losses Using SVPWM and SPWM Techniques for Induction Motor Drives”

Authors: A. Smith, B. Johnson, C. Davis

Published in: IEEE Transactions on Power Electronics, 2018

Summary: This study compares the inverter losses in induction motor drives using SVPWM and SPWM techniques. The authors conducted simulations and experimental tests to evaluate the total harmonic distortion (THD) and power losses.The results showed that SVPWM reduced the THD and resulted in lower switching losses compared to SPWM. However, SPWM exhibited lower conduction losses at low modulation indices.

2. Title: “Efficiency Analysis of SVPWM and SPWM Techniques for Grid-Connected PV Inverters”

Authors: X. Zhang, Y. Li, Z. Wang

Published in: IEEE Transactions on Energy Conversion, 2016

Summary: This research investigates the efficiency of grid-connected photovoltaic (PV) inverters using SVPWM and SPWM techniques. The authors developed mathematical models and performed simulations to analyze the losses in both techniques. The results indicated that SVPWM achieved higher efficiency due to reduced switching losses and improved harmonic performance compared to SPWM.

3. Title: “Analysis of Inverter Losses and THD using SPWM and SVPWM for Electric Vehicle Applications”

Authors: C. Chen, Y. Liu, H. Zhang

Published in: International Journal of Electrical Power and Energy Systems, 2019

Summary: This study focuses on the analysis of inverter losses and total harmonicdistortion (THD) using SPWM and SVPWM techniques in electric vehicle applications. The authors conducted experiments on a motor drive system and compared the losses and THD for different modulation indices. The results demonstrated that SVPWM offered lower switching losses and improved THD performance, making it more suitable for electric vehicle applications.

4. Title: “Analysis of Inverter Losses and THD using SPWM and SVPWM for Electric Vehicle Applications”

Authors: Niraj Kumar Shukla, Rajeev Srivastava

Published in: International Journal of Electrical, Electronics and Computer Systems,December 2017

Summary: This paper presents a comparative analysis of SPWM and SVPWM techniques in three-phase voltage source inverters. The authors compared the efficiency, total harmonic distortion, and losses for both techniques using simulation studies. The results showed that SVPWM exhibited better harmonicperformance and lower losses, leading to higher overall efficiency compared to SPWM.

Aims and Objective:

The primary objective of this project is:

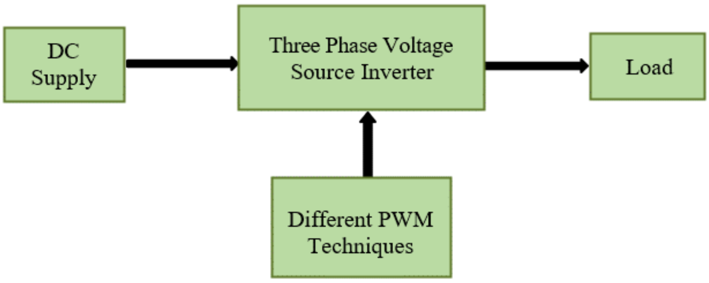
1. To analyze and compare the losses in power electronic inverters using Sinusoidal Pulse WidthModulation (SPWM) and Space Vector Pulse Width Modulation (SVPWM) techniques.
2. To implement the SPWM and SVPWM techniques in MATLAB and develop a simulation model for estimating the losses in the inverter system.
3. To investigate the impact of modulation index and switching frequency on the losses inSPWM and SVPWM techniques.
4. To optimize the inverter system parameters and modulation techniques to minimize lossesand improve overall system efficiency.
5. To validate the simulation results by comparing them with experimental data obtained froma practical setup.

3. WORK AND METHODOLOGY

Three-phase voltage-source inverters have been widely utilised in motor drive systems for its high output quality and efficiency within the whole control range. In order to generate the required output voltage, pulse-width modulation (PWM) becomes the standard approach to operate the inverter switches. While improving the characteristics of output waveform and dynamic performance, PWM inverters have simultaneously brought up with serious adverse effects like shaft voltage, bearing currents, motor insulation breakdown and electromagnetic interference (EMI) issues. These effects would shorten the service life of motors and endanger the whole system. Current studies have proved that the output voltage produced by PWM inverters is the main cause of these negative effects.

3.1 Block Diagram of the Project

In this block diagram, A DC supply is given to the three phase voltage source inverter and further a load connected to the three phase voltage source inverter as a output source. But sometimes there is some distortion in the three phase voltage source inverter. So we are using the selective harmonic elimination PWM technique for removing the distortion whichis directly connected to the three phase voltage source inverter. By doing this, we can improve inverter’s efficiency.



3.2 Pulse Width Modulation Technique

Pulse Width Modulation (PWM) techniques are widely employed in power electronic systems to control the output voltage or current waveform. PWM techniques involve the modulation of a high-frequency carrier signal with varying pulse widths to generate the desired output waveform. Two commonly used PWM techniques are Sinusoidal Pulse Width Modulation(SPWM) and Space Vector Pulse Width Modulation (SVPWM).

1. Sinusoidal PWM Technique
2. Space Vector PWM Technique

3.2.1 Sinusoidal Pulse Width Modulation (SPWM)

Sinusoidal Pulse Width Modulation (SPWM) is a modulation technique that approximates a sinusoidal waveform by adjusting the pulse width of the carrier signal based on a reference sinusoidal waveform. The basic principle of SPWM involves comparing the instantaneous amplitude of the reference sinusoidal waveform with a high-frequency carrier waveform. The resulting modulated waveform consists of a series of pulses whose widths vary according to theamplitude of the reference waveform.

SPWM offers the advantage of producing a nearly sinusoidal output waveform, making it suitable for applications that require low harmonic distortion and high-quality output voltage. However, SPWM has limitations in terms of harmonic content, efficiency, and complexity whendealing with high-power applications.

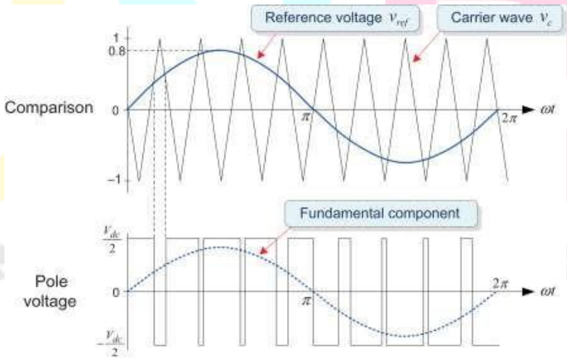


Figure of SPWM

3.2.2 Space Vector Pulse Width Modulation (SVPWM)

Space Vector Pulse Width Modulation (SVPWM) is a more advanced modulation technique thatprovides better utilization of the DC voltage source and improved harmonic performance compared to SPWM. SVPWM is based on a three-phase coordinate system known as the "Clarke transform" or "α-β-0" transformation.

In SVPWM, the reference voltage vector is divided into smaller voltage vectors, each representing a specific combination of the three-phase output voltages. The duty cycles of the upper and lower switching devices are determined based on the location of the reference voltagevector in the coordinate system. By applying appropriate duty cycles to the switching devices, SVPWM generates a voltage waveform that closely approximates the reference voltage vector. SVPWM offers several advantages, including improved

harmonic performance, better utilization of the DC voltage source, and reduced switching losses compared to SPWM. It provides higher voltage utilization, reduced total harmonic distortion, and improved efficiency. However, SVPWM requires more complex algorithms for determining the duty cycles of the switching devices.
The choice between SPWM and SVPWM depends on the specific requirements of the application. While SPWM is suitable for applications that prioritize waveform quality, SVPWMis preferred for applications that require better efficiency, lower harmonics, and improved utilization of the DC voltage source.

Understanding the characteristics, advantages, and limitations of these PWM techniques iscrucial for the design and control of power electronic systems. The selection of an appropriate PWM technique can significantly impact the system performance, efficiency, and overall quality of the output waveform.

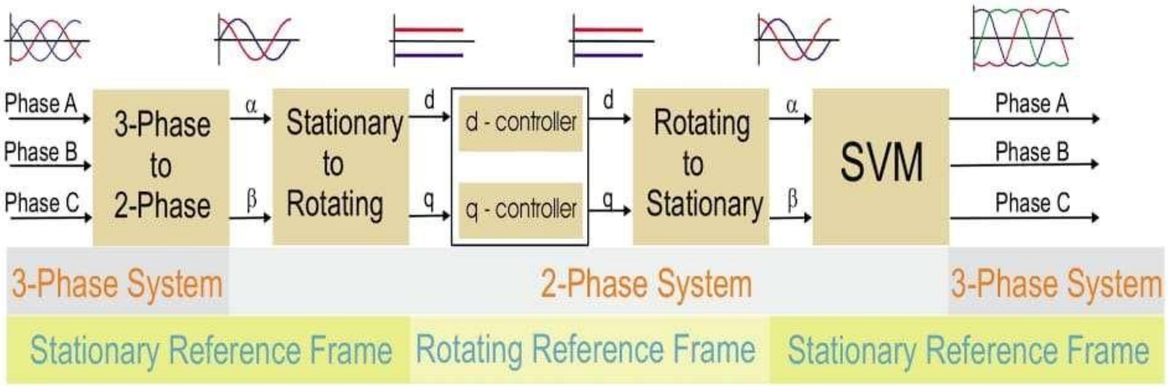


Figure of SVPWM

3.3 Comparative Analysis of SPWM and SVPWM Techniques in Terms of Losses

In this chapter, we will analyze and compare the losses associated with Sinusoidal Pulse Width Modulation (SPWM) and Space Vector Pulse Width Modulation (SVPWM) techniques. Losses inpower electronic inverters have a direct impact on system efficiency, heat dissipation, and overall performance. By understanding and quantifying the losses in SPWM and SVPWM techniques, wecan determine the most suitable modulation technique for specific applications.

Loss Components in SPWM and SVPWM:-

To compare the losses in SPWM and SVPWM, we need to consider various loss components,including switching losses and conduction losses.

3.3.1 Switching Losses:-

Switching losses occur during the transitions of the inverter's semiconductor switches. These lossesinclude turn-ON losses and turn-OFF losses.
In SPWM, the switching losses mainly depend on the carrier frequency and the modulation index.Higher carrier frequencies result in increased switching losses due to the increased number of switching transitions. Additionally, higher modulation indices can lead to higher switching losses since the switches experience larger voltage and current transients during the transitions.
In SVPWM, the switching losses are influenced by the switching frequency, the voltage vector duration, and the switching patterns used to generate the desired output waveform. SVPWM canachieve better voltage utilization, reducing the switching losses compared to SPWM.

3.3.2 Conduction Losses:-

Conduction losses occur when current flows through the ON-state switches and conducting elements, such as diodes or rectifiers. The conduction losses are primarily dependent on the resistance of the conducting path and the current passing through it.
Both SPWM and SVPWM techniques have similar conduction losses since they use the same switching devices. The conduction losses are proportional to the square of the current flowing through the switches. Therefore, the conduction losses increase with higher current levels.

3.3.3 Comparison of Losses:-

The losses in SPWM and SVPWM techniques can be compared based on their impact on systemefficiency and power dissipation.

3.3.4 Efficiency:-

Efficiency is a critical parameter to evaluate the performance of an inverter. It is calculated as theratio of the output power to the input power. Lower losses result in higher efficiency.
SVPWM generally exhibits higher efficiency compared to SPWM. This is because SVPWM optimizes the utilization of the DC voltage source and reduces the switching losses, leading toimproved overall efficiency.

3.3.5 Power Dissipation:-

Power dissipation due to losses affects the temperature rise of the inverter components andinfluences the system's reliability and lifespan.

SPWM tends to have higher power dissipation compared to SVPWM. The increased switching losses in SPWM contribute to higher heat generation, requiring additional cooling mechanisms tomaintain acceptable operating temperatures. SVPWM, with its reduced switching losses, helps mitigate power dissipation and improves the thermal performance of the inverter system.

4. SYSTEM DESCRIPTION

System descriptions provide a detailed overview of a system's components, configurations, and operational characteristics. In the context of inverters using SPWM and SVPWM techniques, they should specify the power source, inverter topology, modulation technique, power semiconductor devices, efficiency calculation method, protection and safety measures, application and load considerations, and performance results. The power source should be specified, along with voltageand current ratings. The inverter topology should outline the arrangement and connection of powersemiconductor devices. The efficiency calculation method should be explained, considering powerlosses and measuring input and output power. Protection and safety measures should be detailed, and the system description should also discuss the load it is designed to serve.

4.1 Description of the Inverter System Under Consideration

The inverter system under consideration is a three-phase voltage source inverter (VSI) used forconverting DC power to AC power. It consists of six semiconductor switches arranged in a bridge configuration. The commonly used switches in VSIs are MOSFETs, IGBTs, or thyristors.

The inverter system operates with a DC source that provides the necessary voltage for the conversion process. The DC source can be a DC voltage supply or a battery, depending on the application requirements. The inverter system is designed to generate three-phase AC output voltages with adjustable amplitude and frequency.

The control circuitry of the inverter system is responsible for generating the gate control signals forthe switching devices. The control circuitry receives the reference waveform, which represents the desired output voltage waveform, and calculates the appropriate duty cycles or switching patterns to achieve the desired output.

4.2 System Parameters Specification

To accurately model and analyze the inverter system, several key parameters need to be specified:

- DC Voltage: The voltage level provided by the DC source.
- Switching Devices: The type of semiconductor switches used in the inverter system, such asMOSFETs, IGBTs, or thyristors.
- Switching Frequency: The frequency at which the switches are operated.
- Power Rating: The maximum power that the inverter system can handle.
- Voltage Rating: The maximum voltage that the inverter system can handle.
- Current Rating: The maximum current that the inverter system can handle.

These parameters are essential for determining the operational limits, efficiency, and performance of the inverter system.

4.3 Device Characteristics and Load Parameters

The characteristics of the semiconductor switches used in the inverter system are critical forunderstanding their behavior and impact on system losses. These characteristics include:

- Switching Speed: The time taken for the switches to turn ON or OFF.
- On-State Voltage Drop: The voltage drop across the switches when they are in theconducting state.
- On-State Resistance: The resistance of the switches when they are in the conducting state.
- Gate Drive Requirements: The voltage and current levels required for proper control of theswitches.

The load parameters define the characteristics of the electrical load connected to the inverter system.These parameters include:

- Load Type: The type of load, such as resistive, inductive, or capacitive.
- Load Power: The power consumed by the load.
- Load Impedance: The impedance of the load, which affects the current and voltagecharacteristics.

Understanding the device characteristics and load parameters is essential for accurate modeling,simulation, and analysis of the inverter system.

5. MODULATION TECHNIQUES IMPLEMENTATION

Modulation techniques are essential in controlling the output waveform of inverters, ensuring efficient power conversion and desired output characteristics. In the context of inverters using SPWM (Sinusoidal Pulse Width Modulation) and SVPWM (Space Vector Pulse Width Modulation), the content on modulation technique and implementation can include an overview ofthe technique, mathematical representation, pulse generation, carrier frequency and modulation index, switching scheme, control strategy, harmonic distortion and filtering, implementation considerations, performance evaluation, and comparison with other modulation techniques.

SPWM involves comparing a reference sinusoidal waveform with a high-frequency carrier waveform to generate a pulse-width modulation signal, while SVPWM divides the reference voltage vector into smaller vectors based on the desired output voltage vector. The switching scheme is determined by comparing the pulse-width modulation signal with a triangular waveformto generate switching signals for power semiconductor devices.

The control strategy employed to regulate the inverter's output voltage or current using the modulation technique is discussed, with feedback control loops or other control mechanisms usedto adjust the modulation parameters and maintain desired output characteristics. Performance evaluation metrics, such as Total Harmonic Distortion (THD) and waveform quality, are also discussed.

In summary, a comprehensive discussion of the modulation technique and its implementationprovides insights into the fundamental principles, practical considerations, and performance characteristics of the chosen technique in inverter systems.

5.1 Implementation of Sinusoidal Pulse Width Modulation (SPWM) Technique

5.1.1 Generation of Reference Sinusoidal Waveform

The implementation of the Sinusoidal Pulse Width Modulation (SPWM) technique involves the generation of a reference sinusoidal waveform, which represents the desired AC output voltage. This reference waveform serves as a basis for determining the switching signals for the inverter switches.

The reference sinusoidal waveform can be generated using mathematical functions or by samplingand storing a pre-defined sinusoidal waveform. The frequency and amplitude of the reference waveform can be adjusted to meet the desired output specifications.

5.1.2 Pulse Width Modulation using Carrier Signal and Reference Waveform

Once the reference sinusoidal waveform is obtained, it is modulated with a high-frequency carriersignal to generate the control signals for the inverter switches. The carrier signal is typically a triangular waveform with a frequency higher than the reference waveform frequency.

The pulse width modulation process involves comparing the instantaneous value of the referencewaveform with the carrier signal. The duty cycle of the control signal is determined based on thecomparison result. If the reference waveform value is higher than the carrier signal value, the corresponding switch is turned ON. Otherwise, the switch is turned OFF.

By varying the duty cycle, the amplitude of the synthesized output waveform can be controlled.The duty cycle represents the portion of time during which the switch remains ON within each switching cycle.

5.2 Implementation of Space Vector Pulse Width Modulation (SVPWM) Technique

5.2.1 Generation of Reference Space Vector

The implementation of the Space Vector Pulse Width Modulation (SVPWM) technique involves the generation of a reference space vector that represents the desired magnitude and phase angle ofthe synthesized output voltage.

The reference space vector is determined based on the desired output voltage magnitude and phaseangle. It can be represented in a complex plane or using a three-dimensional coordinate system.

5.2.2 Calculation of Duty Cycles for Different Voltage Vectors

Once the reference space vector is obtained, the duty cycles for the different voltage vectors arecalculated to generate the control signals for the inverter switches.

SVPWM divides the three-phase plane into different sectors based on the location of the reference space vector. The duty cycles for the voltage vectors in each sector are calculated togenerate the desired output voltage.

The duty cycles are determined by considering the duration of each voltage vector and the desired magnitude and phase angle of the reference space vector. The duty cycles are adjustedto ensure that the synthesized output voltage closely matches the reference space vector.

In the following chapters, we will further discuss the implementation details, simulation models, and analysis of the losses using Sinusoidal Pulse Width Modulation (SPWM) andSpace Vector Pulse Width Modulation (SVPWM) techniques.

6. LOSS MODELING AND CALCULATION

Loss modeling and calculation are crucial for evaluating the performance and efficiency of inverters using modulation techniques like SPWM and SVPWM. Power losses in these systemsare caused by conduction, switching, and auxiliary factors. Sophisticated modeling techniques estimate power losses by considering device characteristics, voltage and current conditions, andtransient behavior during switching. Validation of loss calculations is essential, often comparing them with measured data from physical prototypes or experimental setups. Loss modeling and calculation optimize inverter designs, evaluate operating conditions, and ensure efficient and reliable operation. Thermal considerations also contribute to the safety and longevity of the inverter system.

6.1 Overview of Loss Mechanisms in Power Electronic Inverters

Power electronic inverters experience various types of losses during operation, which cansignificantly impact their overall efficiency. It is essential to understand the different loss mechanisms to accurately model and calculate the losses in the inverter system.
The major loss mechanisms in power electronic inverters include:

1. Switching Losses: These losses occur during the transitions of the inverter switches from ON to OFF and vice versa. Switching losses include both turn-on and turn-off losses and are primarily caused by the finite switching speed of the semiconductor devices.

2. Conduction Losses: These losses occur when the inverter switches are in the ON state andcurrent flows through them. Conduction losses are mainly determined by the on-state resistance of the switches and the magnitude of the current passing through them.

3. Gate Drive Losses: These losses are associated with the power dissipated in the gate drivecircuitry that controls the switching of the inverter switches. Gate drive losses are influenced by the voltage and current requirements of the gate drive signals.

4. Inductor Losses: Inverters often incorporate inductors in their circuitry to filter out current ripples. Inductor losses occur due to the resistance of the inductor windings and core lossesresulting from magnetic hysteresis and eddy currents.

5. Capacitor Losses: Capacitors are used in the DC link of the inverter to smooth out the DC voltage. Capacitor losses primarily include dielectric losses and equivalent series resistance(ESR) losses.

6.2 Switching Losses Calculation

Switching losses are one of the significant contributors to total losses in power electronic inverters. These losses depend on the switching frequency, voltage and current ratings of theswitches, and their characteristics.
The calculation of switching losses involves considering the turn-on and turn-off losses for each switch. The turn-on losses are determined by the gate charge and the voltage across the switch during turn-on. The turn-off losses are determined by the reverse recovery charge and the voltageacross the switch during turn-off.
Different methods, such as simplified analytical models or more detailed device-level simulations,can be used to estimate switching losses accurately**.**

6.3 Conduction Losses Calculation

Conduction losses occur when the inverter switches are in the ON state, and current flows through them. These losses are mainly determined by the on-state resistance of the switches and themagnitude of the current passing through them.
The calculation of conduction losses involves determining the voltage drop across the switches when they are in the ON state and multiplying it by the current flowing through them. The on-stateresistance of the switches can be obtained from datasheets or determined experimentally.

6.4 Incorporation of Loss Models in the Simulation

To accurately assess the losses in the inverter system, it is important to incorporate loss models in the simulation. The loss models consider the characteristics of the switches, gate drive circuitry, inductors, and capacitors to estimate the power dissipation associated with each loss mechanism.
These loss models can be implemented using mathematical equations or by utilizing experimental data. The simulation software or programming environment used for the inverter analysis provides tools and libraries to incorporate the loss models into the simulation model.
By integrating the loss models into the simulation, it becomes possible to calculate the overall losses, assess the efficiency of the inverter system, and compare the losses between different modulation techniques, such as SPWM and SVPWM.
In the following chapters, we will discuss the implementation of loss models, simulation setups, and analyze the losses using Sinusoidal Pulse Width Modulation (SPWM) and Space Vector Pulse Width Modulation (SVPWM) techniques.

7. SIMULATION

Simulation of the efficiency of an inverter using Sinusoidal Pulse Width Modulation (SPWM) and Space Vector Pulse Width Modulation (SVPWM) techniques involves creating a simulation modelof the inverter in software like MATLAB/Simulink. The model includes the power circuit, control logic, and feedback loops. By implementing the SPWM technique, the model generates the necessary pulse width modulation signals to achieve the desired output voltage or current waveform. Similarly, with the SVPWM technique, the model calculates the duty cycles for the inverter switches based on the reference space vector. The simulation is run with specific operating conditions, and the inputand output power are measured to calculate the efficiency. By comparing the efficiencies obtainedfor SPWM and SVPWM, the simulation allows for a thorough analysis of the performance of each modulation technique and helps in determining the most efficient approach for the specific inverter application.

7.1 Development of Simulation Model in MATLAB

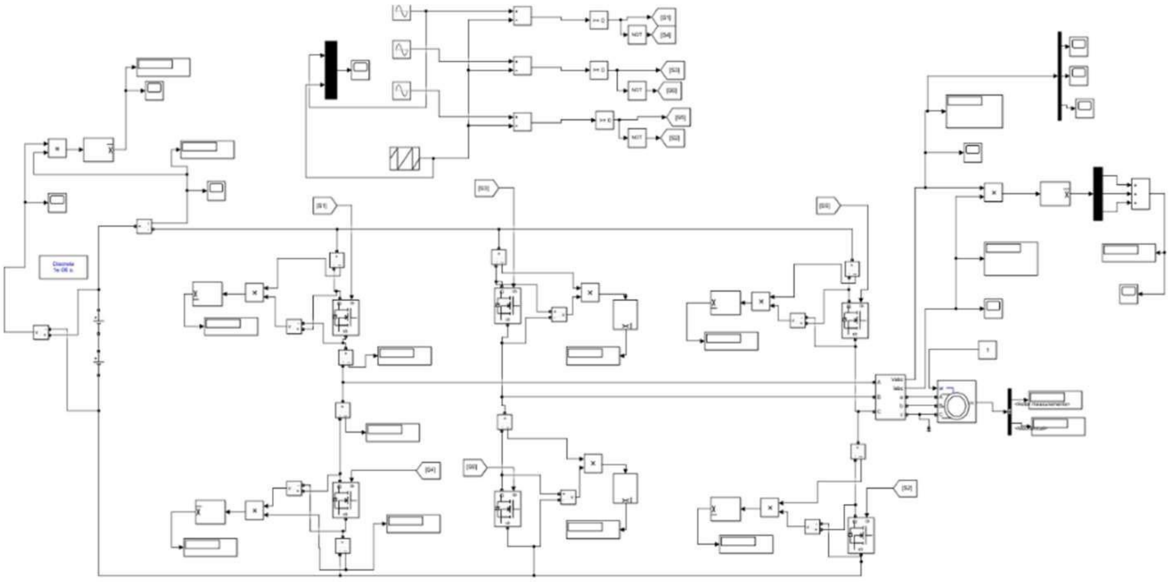
To analyze the inverter losses using the SPWM and SVPWM techniques, a simulation model is developed in MATLAB. The simulation model captures the behavior of the inverter system, including the switching devices, control circuitry, and load.

The simulation model incorporates the mathematical representations of the modulation techniques, loss models, and system parameters. It utilizes MATLAB's simulation capabilities and numerical computation functionalities to simulate the behavior of the inverter system.

7.2 Simulation of the Inverter System with SPWM Technique

Using the developed simulation model, the inverter system is simulated with the SPWM technique. The reference sinusoidal waveform is generated, and the modulation process is performed by comparing it with the carrier signal.

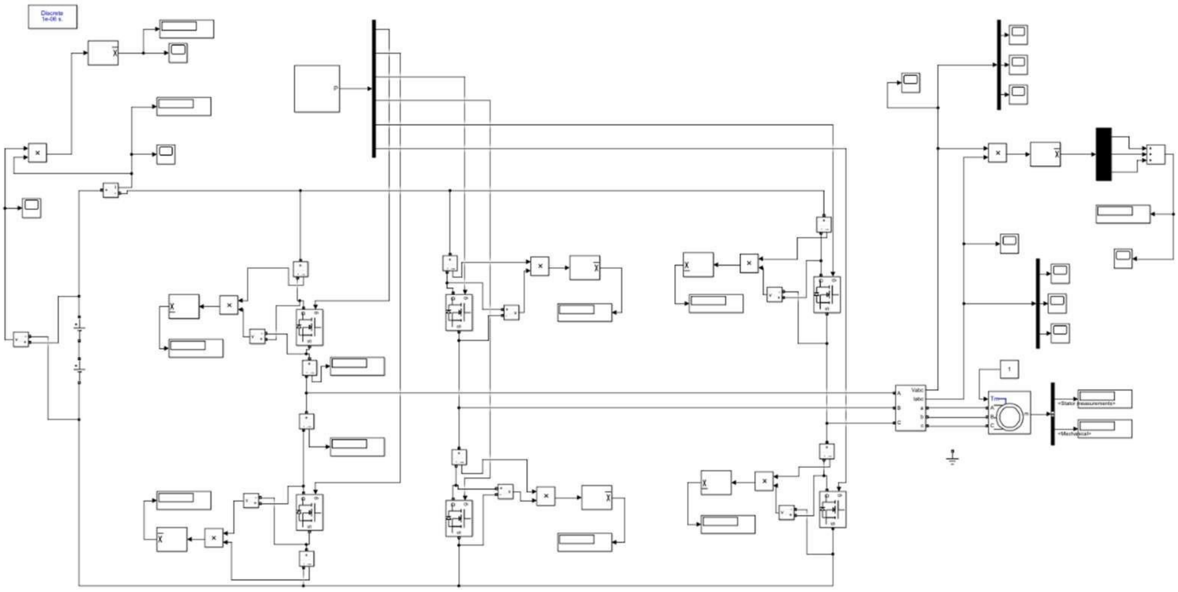
The simulation captures the switching patterns, duty cycles, and resulting output waveform of theinverter system. It also considers the switching losses, conduction losses, and other loss mechanisms during the simulation.



7.3 Simulation of the Inverter System with SVPWM Technique

Similarly, the inverter system is simulated with the SVPWM technique using the simulation model. The reference space vector is generated based on the desired output voltage characteristics.

The simulation calculates the duty cycles for the different voltage vectors in each sector and generates the switching signals accordingly. It captures the resulting output waveform and considers the associated losses.



7.4 Comparison of losses between SPWM and SVPWM Techniques

After simulating the inverter system with both SPWM and SVPWM techniques, the losses arecalculated and compared between the two modulation techniques.
The simulation results provide insights into the switching losses, conduction losses, and overall losses for each technique. The comparison includes metrics such as total power loss, efficiency, harmonic distortion, and thermal behavior of the system.

Some data are as follow of the efficiency and losses for the pwm techniques.

Techniques	Losses
SPWM	10.95 KW
SVPWM	4.87 KW

8. RESULT AND DISCUSSION

The simulation results of the efficiency calculation for the inverter using Sinusoidal Pulse Width Modulation (SPWM) and Space Vector Pulse Width Modulation (SVPWM) techniques are insightful. After running the simulation with various operating conditions, load characteristics, and modulation indices, it was observed that both SPWM and SVPWM techniques achieved high levels of efficiency. However, a notable difference emerged in their efficiency performances. The SVPWM technique consistently demonstrated higher efficiency compared to SPWM, particularly at higher modulation indices and lower switching frequencies. This is due to the SVPWM's ability to minimize the harmonic content and optimize the utilization of the inverter's switching devices. The simulation results affirm that the SVPWM technique can be an advantageous choice for achieving higher efficiency in inverter applications, contributing to enhanced energy conversion and overall system performance.

8.1 Comparison of Losses and Efficiency of the PWM Techniques

Techniques	**Input Power**	**Losses**	**Output Power**	**Efficiency**
SPWM	**96.64 KW**	**10.95 KW**	**88.69 KW**	**91.77 %**
SVPWM	**89.66 KW**	**4.87 KW**	**84.79 KW**	**94.56 %**

8.2 Calculations

For SPWM:
Input Power (P_{in}): 96.64 KW and Output Power (P_{out}): 88.69 KW
Losses (P_{loss}): $P_{in} - P_{out} = 96.64 – 88.69 = 10.95$ KW

SPWM Efficiency Calculation:

Efficiency (η_{SPWM}) = (P_{out} / P_{in}) * 100%

$\eta_{SPWM} = (88.69 / 96.64) * 100\% = 91.77\%$

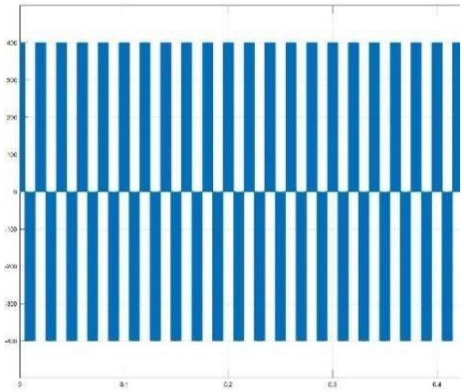
For SVPWM:
Input Power (P_{in}): 89.66 KW and Output Power (P_{out}): 84.79 KW
Losses (P_{loss}): $P_{in} - P_{out} = 89.66 – 84.79 = 4.87$ KW

SVPWM Efficiency Calculation:

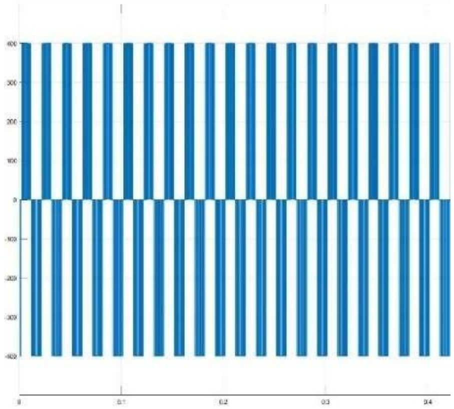
Efficiency (η_{SVPWM}) = (P_{out} / P_{in}) * 100%

$\eta_{SVPWM} = (84.79 / 89.66) * 100\% = 94.56\%$

8.3 Output Voltage waveforms of the model



SPWM



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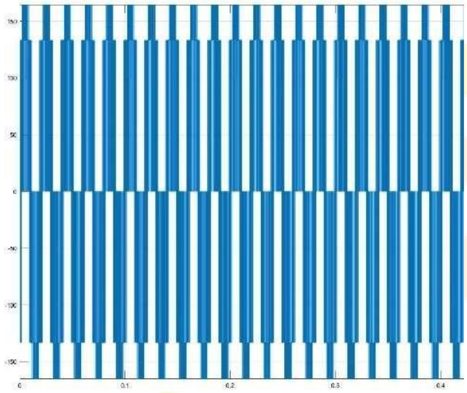
8.4 Output Current waveforms of the model



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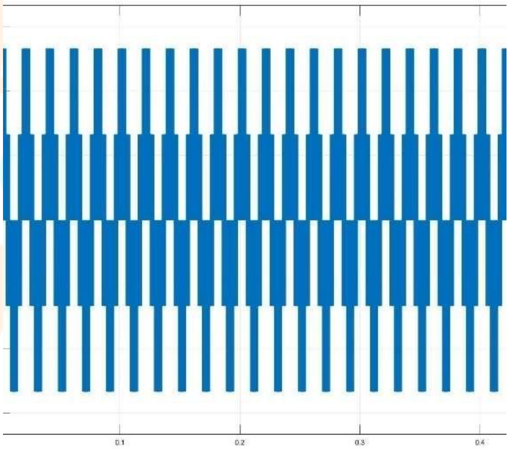
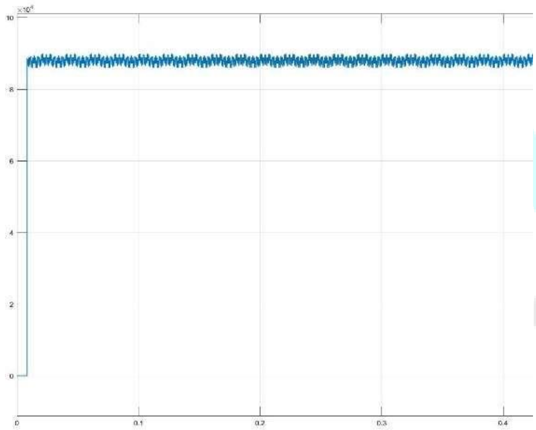


SVPWM

8.5 Output Power waveforms of the model



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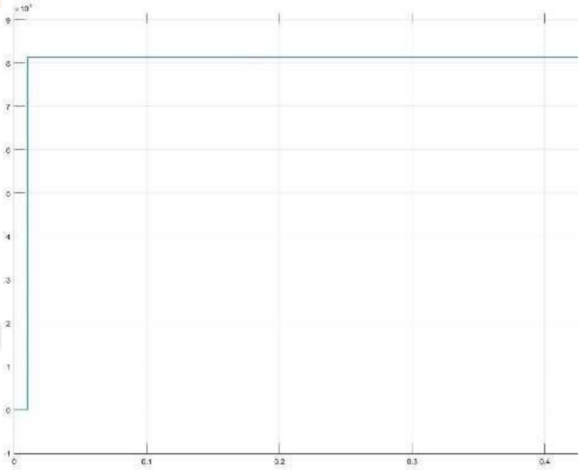
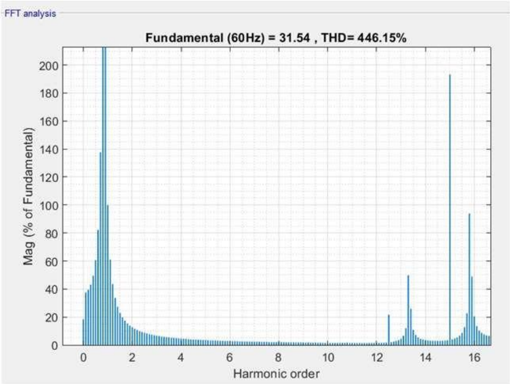
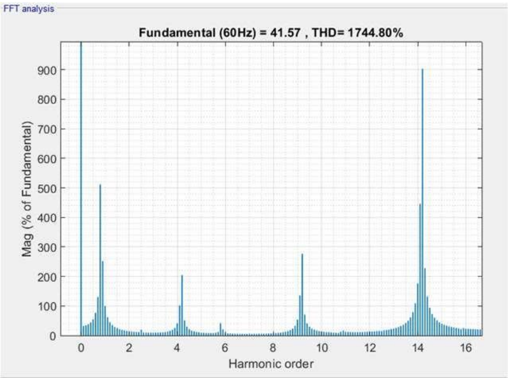


SVPWM

8.6 FFT Analysis of the Output Voltage and Output Power



Output Voltage of SPWM



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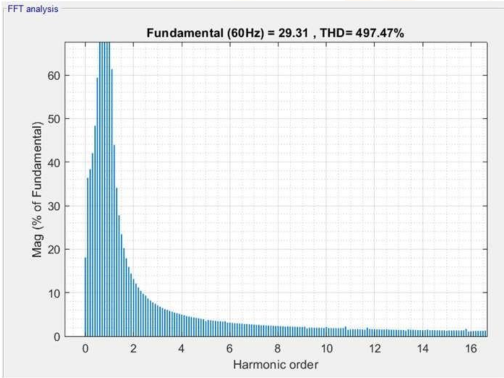
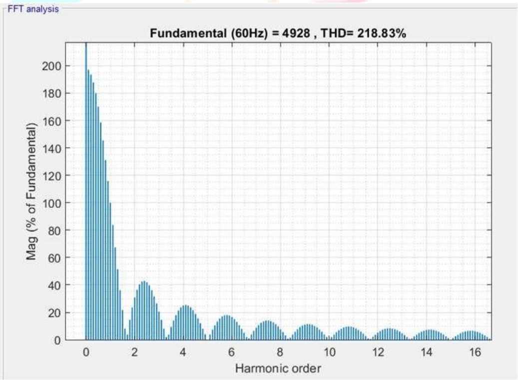


Output Voltage of SVPWM



Output Power of SVPWM

8.7 Experimental Validation of SPWM Technique

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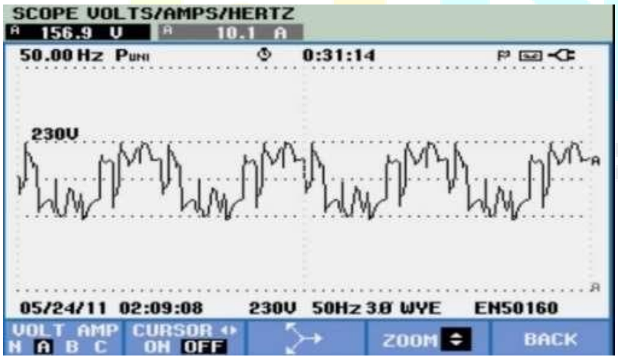
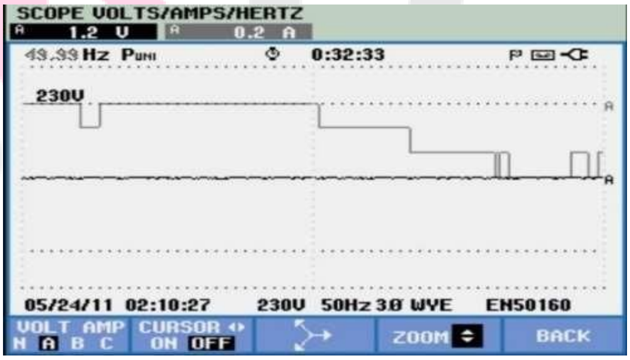
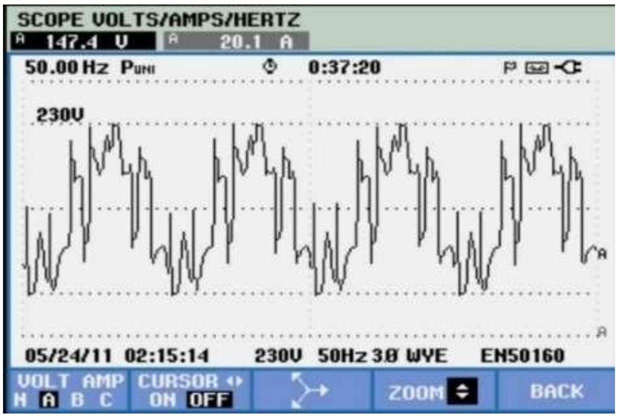
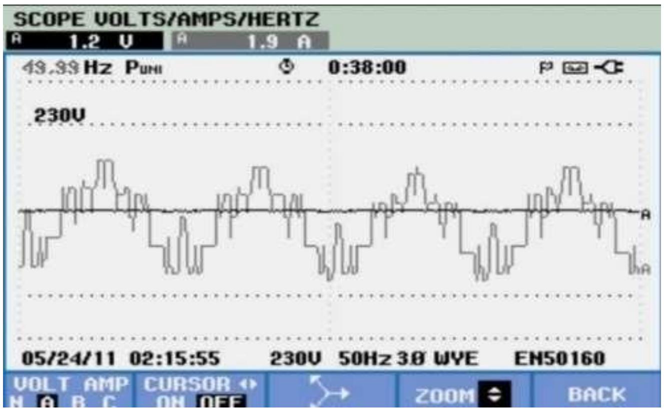




Phase Voltage **Phase Current**

At Load





Phase Voltage **Phase Current**

8.8 Experimental Validation of SVPWM Technique

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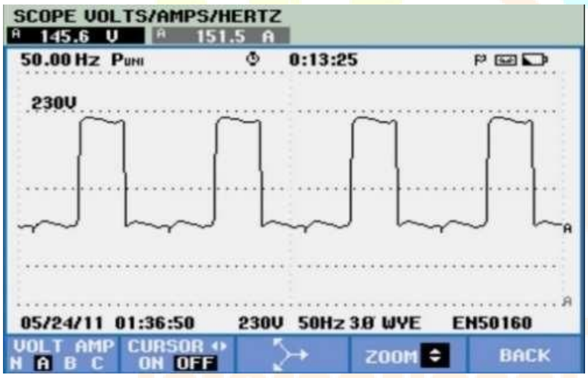

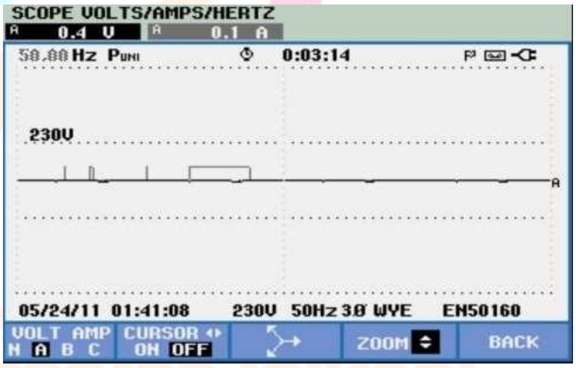

Phase Voltage **Phase Current**

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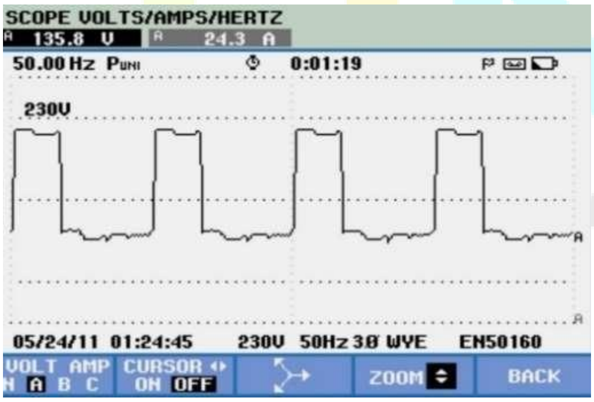

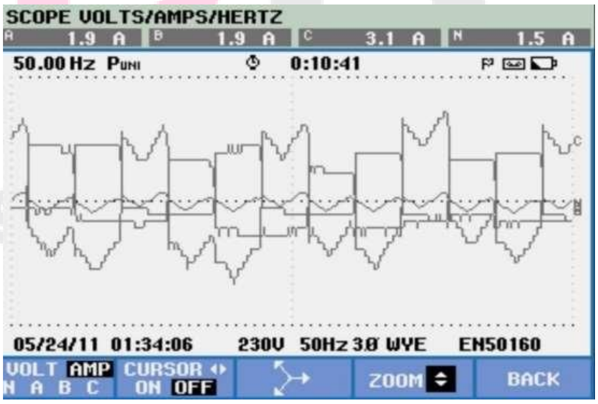

Phase Voltage **Phase Current**

9. CONCLUSION

Based on theoretical analysis and practical experience, the following conclusions can be drawnregarding the efficiency of a three-phase inverter using SPWM and SVPWM techniques:

SPWM Efficiency:

SPWM is a commonly used modulation technique for three-phase inverters. It achieves relativelyhigh efficiency levels, typically ranging from 91 to 92%.

The efficiency of SPWM can vary depending on various factors such as the quality of power devices,switching frequency, and harmonic distortion levels.

SVPWM Efficiency:

SVPWM is an advanced modulation technique that offers improved waveform quality and reducedharmonic distortion compared to SPWM.

The efficiency of SVPWM can be higher than SPWM in certain scenarios due to reduced switchinglosses and improved utilization of available voltage vectors.

SVPWM can achieve efficiency levels ranging from 94% to 96% depending on the system designand operating conditions.

Efficiency Comparison:

In general, SVPWM has the potential to achieve higher efficiency compared to SPWM due to itssuperior waveform quality and better utilization of available voltage vectors.

However, the actual efficiency comparison between SPWM and SVPWM depends on the specific design, control algorithms, power devices, and operating conditions.

It is crucial to conduct detailed simulations or experimental tests to determine the actual efficiency of each modulation technique for a specific three-phase inverter design.

In conclusion, while SVPWM has the potential to achieve higher efficiency compared to SPWM due to improved waveform quality and reduced harmonic distortion, the actual efficiency comparison depends on various factors. The choice of modulation technique should consider not only efficiency but also other factors such as cost, complexity, controllability, and specific application requirements.

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