SMPS-UPS MCQs - Unit 4 and 5

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- 1. What is the primary purpose of using SVPWM in a three-phase inverter?
- A. To increase the output frequency
- B. To reduce the switching losses
- C. To maximize the DC link utilization
- D. To simplify the control circuit
- 2. Which type of multilevel inverter uses capacitors to clamp the voltage to different levels?
- A. Diode clamped
- B. Flying capacitor
- C. Cascaded H-bridge
- D. None of the above
- 3. In sine PWM, the reference signal is typically a:
- A. Square wave
- B. Sawtooth wave
- C. Sine wave
- D. Triangle wave
- 4. Which harmonic elimination technique involves adjusting the switching angles?
- A. SVPWM
- B. PSPWM
- C. ShePWM
- D. None of the above
- 5. A cascaded H-bridge inverter requires which of the following for operation?
- A. Multiple DC sources
- B. A single DC source
- C. No DC sources
- D. AC sources

6. Which type of inverter is most suitable for high-power applications?

- A. Single-phase inverter
- B. Three-phase inverter
- C. Both are equally suitable
- D. Neither is suitable

7. What is a common application of multilevel inverters?

- A. Small household appliances
- B. High-frequency signal generation
- C. Large electric drives and grid interfacing
- D. Low power mobile devices

8. PSPWM stands for:

- A. Phase Shifted Pulse Width Modulation
- B. Power Series Pulse Width Modulation
- C. Pulse Skip Pulse Width Modulation
- D. None of the above

9. Flying capacitor multilevel inverters are known for:

- A. Their simple structure
- B. Requirement of many diodes
- C. Balancing voltage across various levels
- D. High switching frequencies only

10. Which PWM technique is known to produce the least Total Harmonic Distortion (THD)?

- A. Sine PWM
- B. Modified Sine PWM
- C. Space Vector PWM
- D. Triangle PWM

11. In a diode clamped inverter, the clamping diodes are used to:

- A. Increase the output voltage
- B. Reduce the output voltage
- C. Clamp the voltage to safe levels
- D. Convert AC to DC

12. Which type of filter is most commonly used with PWM inverters?

- A. Low-pass filter
- B. High-pass filter
- C. Band-pass filter

D. Band-stop filter

- 13. The main disadvantage of a single-phase inverter compared to a three-phase inverter is:
- A. Higher cost
- B. More complex control
- C. Lower power output
- D. Higher power output
- 14. Which of the following is a feature of multilevel inverters?
- A. Lower electromagnetic interference
- B. Higher switching losses
- C. Simpler gate driving circuits
- D. Fewer output voltage levels
- 15. Space Vector PWM improves the inverter performance by:
- A. Reducing the modulation index
- B. Increasing the modulation index
- C. Optimizing the switching sequence
- D. Decreasing the switching frequency
- 16. Harmonic elimination in inverters can be achieved by:
- A. Increasing the frequency of the input DC signal
- B. Using a single level inverter structure
- C. Proper selection of switching angles
- D. Decreasing the load resistance
- 17. A typical application of cascaded multilevel inverters is:
- A. Mobile charging
- B. Electric vehicle drivetrains
- C. Battery charging for low voltage devices
- D. Small scale residential solar installations
- 18. Which technique is used to control the output voltage of inverters by adjusting the duty cycle of the switches?
- A. Frequency modulation
- B. Amplitude modulation
- C. Pulse-width modulation
- D. Phase modulation
- 19. The main reason for using multilevel inverters in high power applications is to:

- A. Reduce the size of the inverter
- B. Increase efficiency by reducing switching losses
- C. Simplify the control strategy
- D. Increase the heat dissipation

20. In terms of output quality, multilevel inverters offer:

- A. Higher harmonic content
- B. Lower harmonic content
- C. Unchanged harmonic content
- D. None of the above

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- 21. In a three-phase inverter using Space Vector PWM, what is the effect of increasing the switching frequency on the output waveform?
- A. Increases the harmonic distortion
- B. Reduces the harmonic distortion
- C. No change in harmonic distortion but increases efficiency
- D. Reduces efficiency due to higher switching losses
- 22. What is a key advantage of using a cascaded H-bridge multilevel inverter with separate DC sources for each H-bridge?
- A. It can utilize higher switching frequencies without significant losses.
- B. It allows for independent control of each phase.
- C. It simplifies the overall control system.
- D. It enables the use of lower voltage rated components for high voltage applications.
- 23. How does the use of a flying capacitor multilevel inverter help in managing the switching stress on semiconductor devices?
- A. By reducing the voltage across each switch with the help of flying capacitors.
- B. By completely eliminating the need for external clamping diodes.
- C. By allowing higher frequencies to be used without additional cooling.
- D. By simplifying the gate drive requirements.
- 24. In the context of harmonic elimination using ShePWM, what is the primary method to determine the optimal switching angles?
- A. Fourier series analysis to minimize specific harmonic orders.
- B. Trial and error in real-time operations.
- C. Use of genetic algorithms or other optimization techniques.
- D. Implementing fixed angles based on the number of levels in the inverter.

25. What is the primary challenge when implementing SVPWM in a three-phase inverter system?

- A. It requires transformation of three-phase quantities to two-phase quantities.
- B. The switching losses are significantly higher than other PWM techniques.
- C. It is computationally intensive due to the need for real-time calculation of space vectors.
- D. It cannot be used with multilevel inverters.

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26. What is the main purpose of an online UPS?

- A. To provide power during short interruptions
- B. To condition the power supply
- C. To provide backup power without interruption
- D. To filter high-frequency noise

27. A voltage filter in a PWM VSI primarily serves to:

- A. Convert DC to AC
- B. Reduce the voltage ripple
- C. Increase the output voltage amplitude
- D. Modulate the frequency

28. Which type of UPS provides power to the load only when the mains supply fails?

- A. Offline UPS
- B. Online UPS
- C. Line-interactive UPS
- D. None of the above

29. In designing inductors for power electronics applications, which factor is most critical?

- A. Resistance
- B. Capacitance
- C. Inductance
- D. Conductance

30. Series-parallel resonant filters are used to:

- A. Increase the efficiency of power conversion
- B. Minimize the effect of load variations
- C. Enhance the power factor
- D. Suppress specific harmonic frequencies

31. A DC filter in a power electronic circuit is used to:

- A. Convert AC to DC
- B. Smooth out the DC output
- C. Increase the DC voltage
- D. Decrease the DC voltage

32. The primary function of a current filter in a power electronic system is to:

- A. Increase current flow
- B. Decrease current flow
- C. Stabilize current fluctuations
- D. Convert AC current to DC current

33. What is a common application of power conditioners?

- A. To charge batteries
- B. To drive electric motors
- C. To improve power quality for sensitive electronics
- D. To reduce power consumption

34. The design of a voltage module regulator for electrical drive applications is aimed at:

- A. Reducing the input voltage
- B. Stabilizing the output voltage
- C. Increasing the efficiency of the motor
- D. Decreasing the power factor

35. Which UPS feature is critical for data centers requiring high availability?

- A. High power capacity
- B. Extended battery life
- C. Seamless power transfer
- D. Low noise operation

36. In power electronics, what is the primary role of filters?

- A. To convert energy
- B. To store energy
- C. To improve the quality of the output signal
- D. To regulate voltage

37. Which component is essential for designing an inductor used in power electronic applications?

- A. Diode
- B. Capacitor
- C. Core material
- D. Resistor

38. What distinguishes an online UPS from an offline UPS?

- A. Online UPS is cheaper
- B. Online UPS provides continuous power
- C. Offline UPS uses more energy
- D. Offline UPS has no batteries

39. Which type of resonant filter is used to eliminate the need for series capacitors?

- A. Voltage filter
- B. Series-parallel resonant filter
- C. Filter without series capacitors
- D. Current filter

40. Power line disturbances are primarily dealt with using:

- A. UPS systems
- B. Low-pass filters
- C. Power conditioners
- D. Voltage regulators

41. What is the main benefit of using an offline UPS for home appliances?

- A. Cost-effectiveness
- B. High power output
- C. Continuous power supply
- D. High-speed switching

42. The design of transformers for power electronic applications should primarily focus on:

- A. Minimizing core losses
- B. Maximizing resistance
- C. Reducing capacitance
- D. Enhancing inductance

43. Which filter type is specifically designed to handle the high frequency switching of PWM VSI?

- A. DC filter
- B. Voltage filter
- C. Current filter
- D. Filter for PWM VSI

44. A major advantage of using series-parallel resonant filters in power conditioners is:

A. They can operate at very low frequencies

- B. They are less expensive than other filters
- C. They offer precise control over the frequency range
- D. They require no maintenance

45. The purpose of designing a voltage module regulator for electrical drive applications is to:

- A. Increase the torque output
- B. Regulate the voltage supplied to the drive
- C. Convert AC to DC efficiently
- D. Reduce electromagnetic interference

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46. How does an online UPS differ from a line-interactive UPS in terms of voltage regulation?

- A. Online UPS continuously regulates the voltage, whereas line-interactive UPS only adjusts during significant voltage drops or surges.
- B. Online UPS uses passive filtering, while line-interactive uses active power conditioning.
- C. There is no difference; both provide continuous voltage regulation.
- D. Line-interactive UPS provides better regulation due to the presence of an autotransformer.

47. In designing a filter for a PWM VSI, what is the main consideration to effectively reduce the output voltage ripple?

- A. The filter must have a high Q-factor to resonate at the switching frequency.
- B. The cutoff frequency of the filter must be well below the fundamental frequency of the inverter.
- C. The inductance and capacitance values must be chosen to minimize impedance at the fundamental frequency.
- D. The filter must be able to handle high power without significant losses.

48. What is the primary benefit of using a multistage filtering approach in a power electronic system?

- A. It allows for modular design and easier maintenance.
- B. It can target and suppress multiple harmonic frequencies more effectively.
- C. It reduces the overall cost of the system by using cheaper components.
- D. It increases the power handling capacity of each filter stage.

49. In a power conditioner, what is the impact of non-linear loads on the power quality, and how does the conditioner mitigate this?

- A. Non-linear loads increase the reactive power; conditioners use capacitors to correct the power factor.
- B. Non-linear loads introduce harmonics; conditioners use harmonic filters to clean the power.
- C. Non-linear loads cause voltage sags; conditioners use boost converters to maintain voltage levels.
- D. Non-linear loads lead to frequency variations; conditioners use PLLs to stabilize the frequency.

- 50. Considering the design of transformers for power electronic applications, what specific characteristic is crucial for minimizing energy losses at high frequencies?
- A. High permeability core material
- B. Low core saturation flux density
- C. High thermal conductivity of the core
- D. Low core loss materials