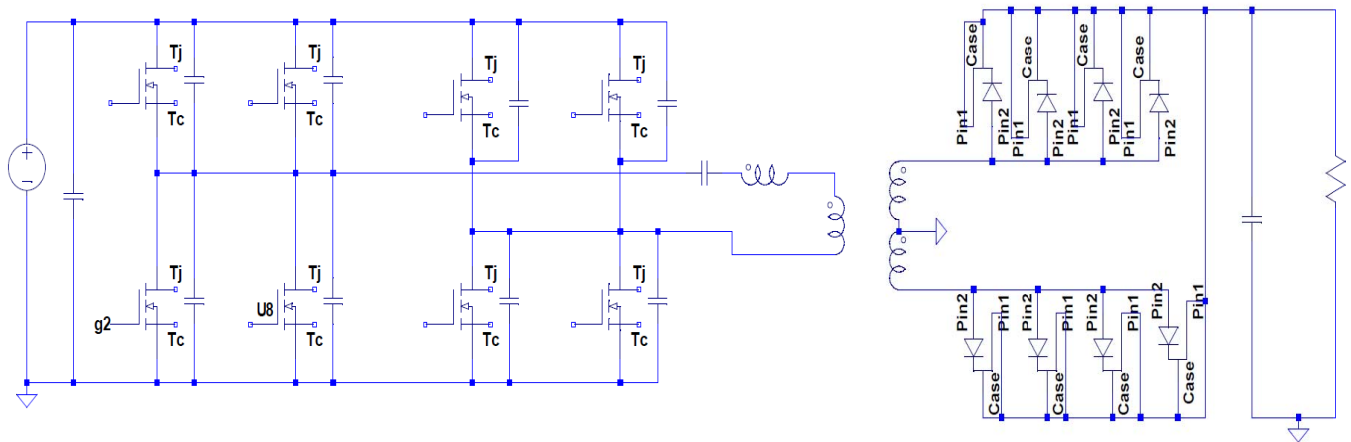Date: 05/27/16

8kW RESONANT LLC FULL BRIDGE CONVERTER LTSPICE MODEL

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This document is prepared as a quick reference guide to perform simulations based on Wolfspeed SiC power MOSFET PSPICE library using LTSPICE simulation software.

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MODEL SPECIFICATIONS
SPECIFICATION OF CONVERTER:
Vin = 650Vdc
Vout = 270Vdc
Iout = 30A
Pout = 8KW
Switching Frequency = 200 KHz

MODEL LIMITATIONS
- This converter model is purely simulating the performance of the switching device of Wolfspeed products and without considering others parasitic from capacitor and transformer losses.
- No feedback control circuit has been developed.
- Refer to C2M LTSPICE User Guide for C2M0160120D component model limitation [2].

ABOUT ZVS LLC RESONANT FULL BRIDGE CONVERTER LTSPICE MODEL
This LTspice model was created based on the 8KW ZVS LLC Resonant converter reference design [1] available for purchase (Part no: **CRD 8DD12P**). The intention of creating this converter circuit is to provide customers a sample reference circuit and also a quicker way to evaluate the performance of the Wolfspeed SiC MOSFET and diode. This LTspice model offers a convenient starting point for users to modify some of the components value to achieve a different design requirement.

PREREQUISITE:
LTSPICE simulation software (http://www.linear.com/designtools/software/#LTspice)
MOSFET SPICE PACKAGE:
- SPICE Library Packaged Device Model (C2M0160120D - Packaged .lib) – Model includes the TO-247 package parasitic [2].

- LTSPICE Device Symbol (power_nmos_heat.asy)
DIODE SPICE PACKAGE:
- SPICE Library Packaged Device Model (Cree Power C3D Packaged SPICE Model Library.lib) – Model includes TO-220 package parasitic [3].

- LTSPICE Device Symbol (C3D08060A.asy)

SOFTWARE REQUIREMENT:
- This model has been developed and optimized for LTSPICE. It is the responsibility of the user to be well-versed with the basic operation of LTSPICE simulation tool. Using this model on other PSPICE simulation tool may result in convergence error or incorrect simulation result. Please use the recommended software.

MODEL INSTALLATION GUIDELINES:
1. Extract the zip file.

2. Copy the 8KW ZVS LLC Resonant converter model file and paste it into the LTSPICE directory or any folder that user normally used. Typical path is given by (C:\Program Files (x86)\LTC\LTspiceIV\). This would make the model appear in the open window.

3. The model will be similar to the one shown in figure 1.
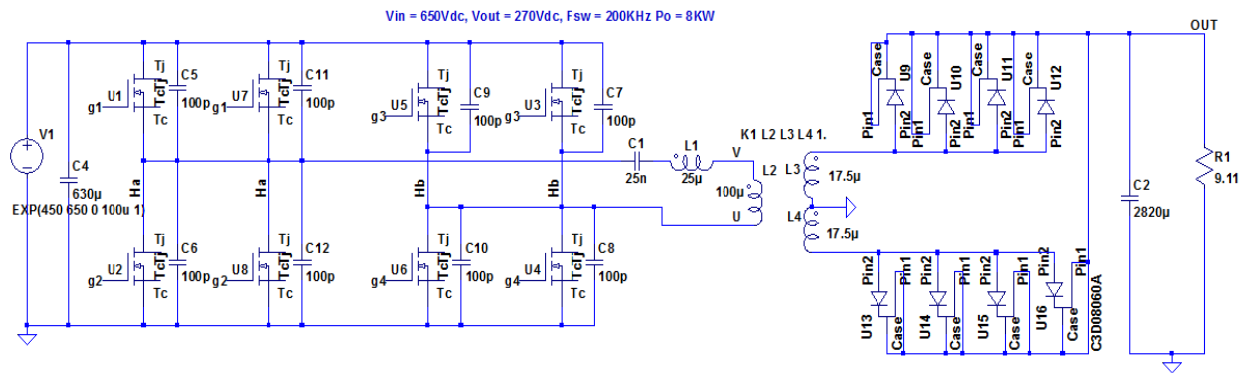
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Figure 1   8KW ZVS LLC Resonant converter model circuit

4. This model allows user to change the value of some components to meet their design requirement.

SIMULATION GUIDELINES:
In case user has difference design requirement, below are the component value at converter LTSPICE model that allows user to change in order to produce the desired output:
- Vin (V1)
- Vout (Voltage across R1)
- Pulse signal (V2) for MOSFETs U1, U4, U6, U7
- Pulse signal (V7) for MOSFETs U2, U3, U5, U8
- Tj source (V8)
- Tc source (V9)
- Output load (R1)

The terminals Tj and Tc are representing the temperature of the junction and case of the MOSFET. The temperature connections are working as voltage pins. Therefore a potential difference of 1V refers to a temperature difference of 1°C. User can vary these values base on your own cooling design and observe the performance of the MOSFET or inverter.

While performing simulations, it is not recommended to change simulation settings of the following LTSPICE directive which is already optimized base on the simulation speed and avoid any convergence error.

.options Gmin = 1e-12, Abstol = 1e-12, Reltol = 0.01, Chgtol = 1e-14

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RESULTS

Description	Design Requirement	LTspice results	SpeedFit Results ***	Experimental Results
V_{in} (V)	650	650	N.A.	650
V_o (V)	270	269.90	N.A.	270
f_{sw} (KHz)	200	200	N.A.	200
P_o (KW)	8	7.996	N.A.	8
PLoss**(W)		105	N.A.	115
Efficiency (%)	98	98.07*	N.A.	97.95

Table 1 LTspice result against design requirement and experimental result

* Efficiency has included the magnetic and miscellaneous loss from the paper for easier comparison.

**PLoss is the total semiconductor loss which is conduction and switching losses.

*** SpeedFit is a Wolfspeed online simulation tool.[4]

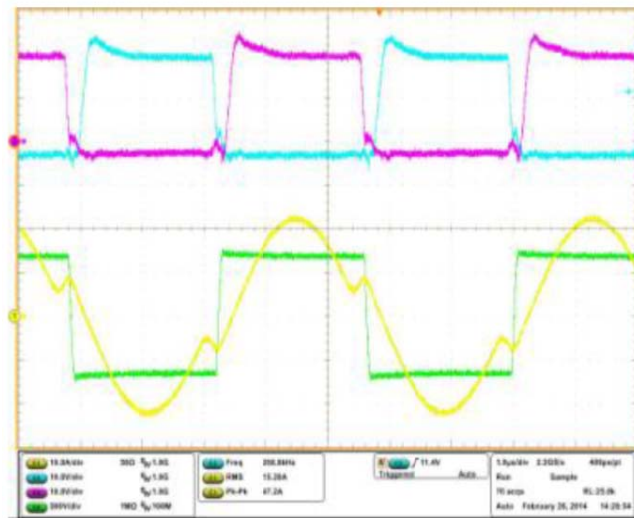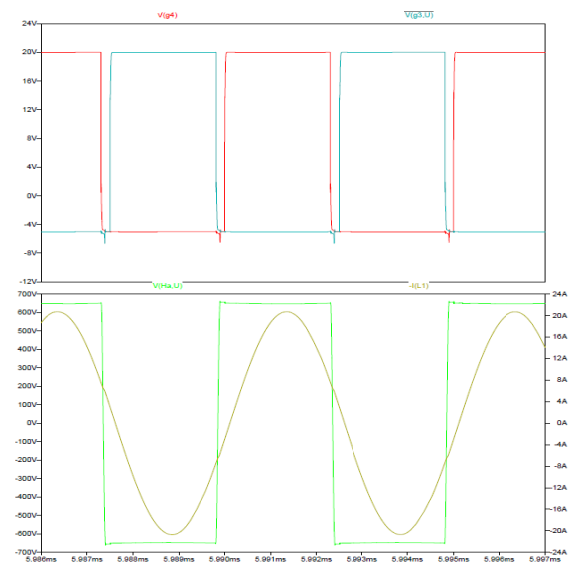Figure 2: Converter experimental waveform

Figure 3: Converter LTspice simulation waveform

Note: (Blue: Vgs_Q3; Pink: Vgs_Q4; Yellow: ILr; Green: Vab)

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