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## ► Workshops/Tutorials on 3 $\phi$ Rectifier Systems from ETH/PES

### ■ ECPE Workshop 2011:

M. Hartmann „Three-Phase Unity Power Factor Mains Interfaces of High Power EV Battery Charging Systems“

### ■ Tutorial IECON 2012:

J. W. Kolar „Essence of Three-Phase PFC Rectifier Systems“

### ■ Keynote APEC 2018:

J. W. Kolar „Vienna Rectifier & Beyond...“

### ■ International Forum on Recent Trends in Power Electronics 2018:

J. W. Kolar „Latest Findings in Three-Phase AC/DC Converter Research“



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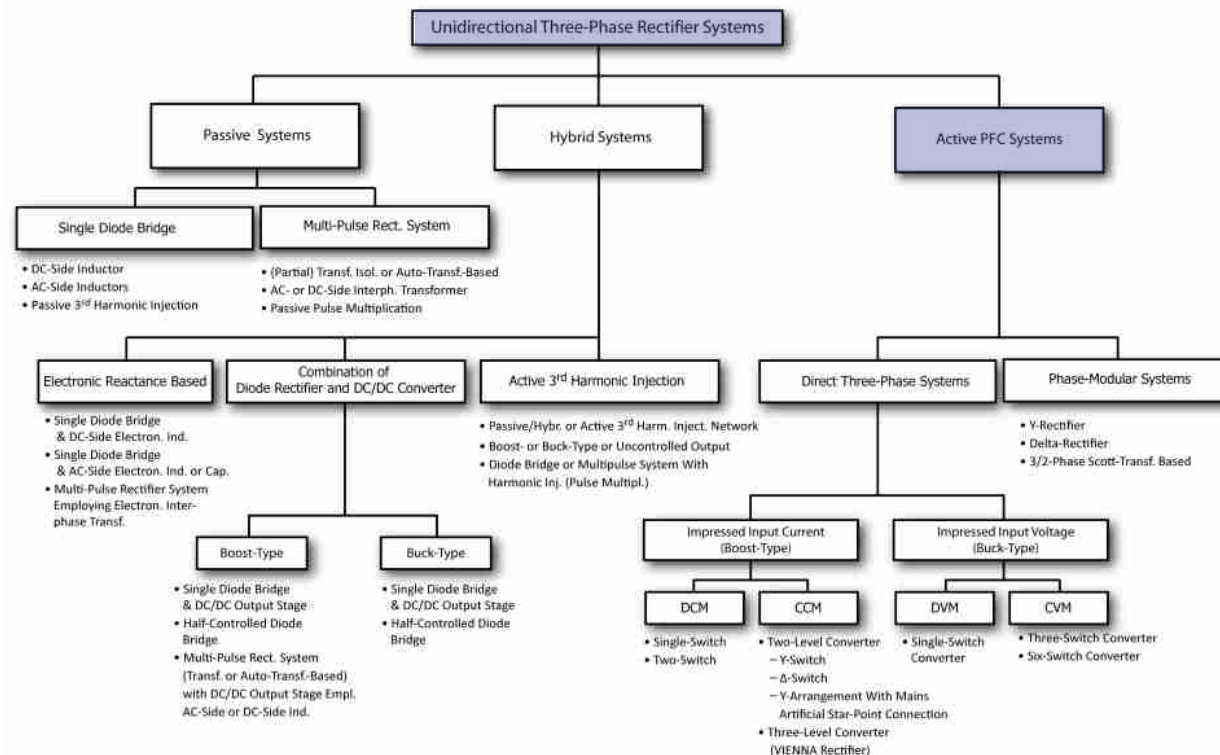
## ► *Wide Variety of 3 $\phi$ Rectifier Topologies*

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## ► Classification of Unidirectional 3 $\phi$ Rectifier Systems

- Basic Classification of 3 $\phi$  Rectifier didn't really change in the *Last Decade*
- The Most Attractive Active PFC Rectifiers at that Time are *still among the Best in Class*.



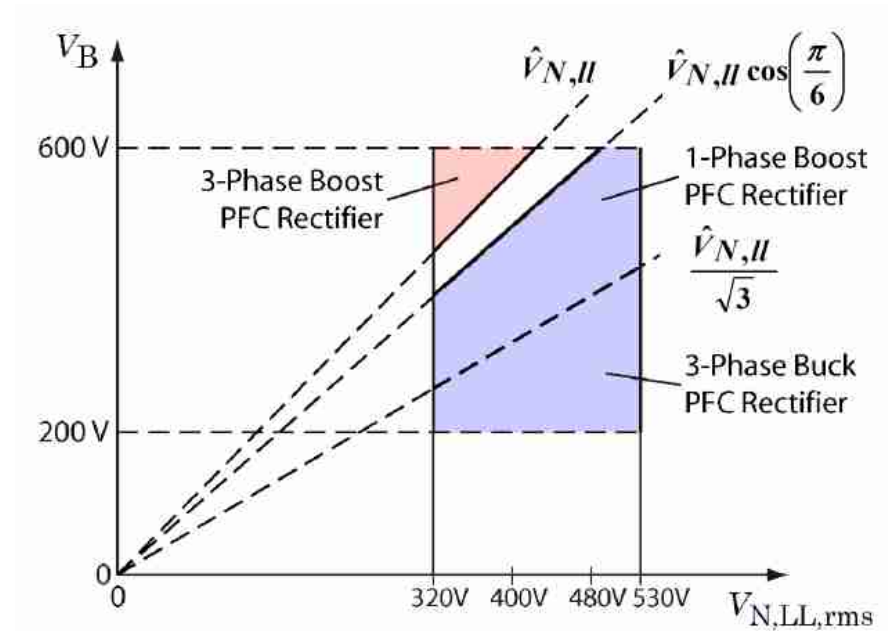
► However, several *Advanced 3 $\phi$  Rectifier Topologies* appeared on the Stage

# Outline

- ▶ *Still Best in Class*
  - ▶ *Boost-Type Rectifiers*
  - ▶ *Buck-Type Rectifiers*
- ▶ *Advanced 3 $\phi$  Rectifier Topologies*
  - ▶ *1/3 and 2/3 Concepts*
  - ▶ *Phase-Modular Concepts*

## ► Features of 3 $\phi$ Active PFC Rectifier Systems

- Mains Side Sinusoidal Current Shaping
- Wide Input/Output Voltage Range
- High Efficiency / High Power Density
- Low Complexity



- Topology Selection mainly Depends on Voltage Range,
- *Boost-Type* and *Buck-Type* Rectifiers

# Boost-Type PFC Rectifier

*6-Switch Boost Rectifier*  
*Vienna Rectifier*

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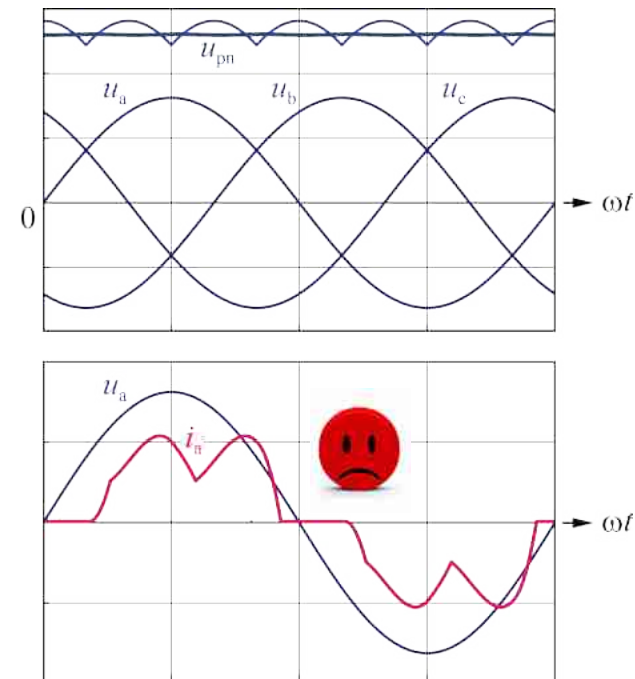
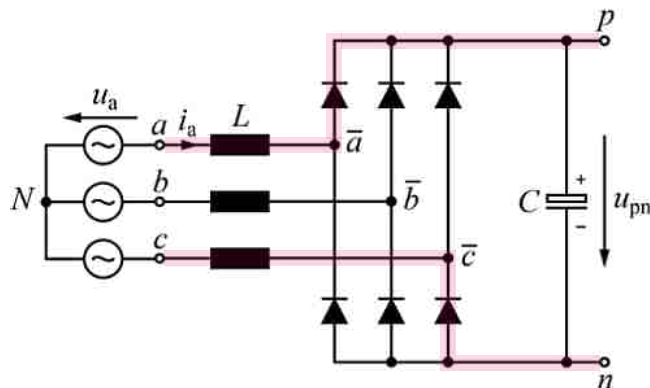
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—— *6-Switch Boost Rectifier* ——



## 3- $\Phi$ Diode Bridge Rectifier

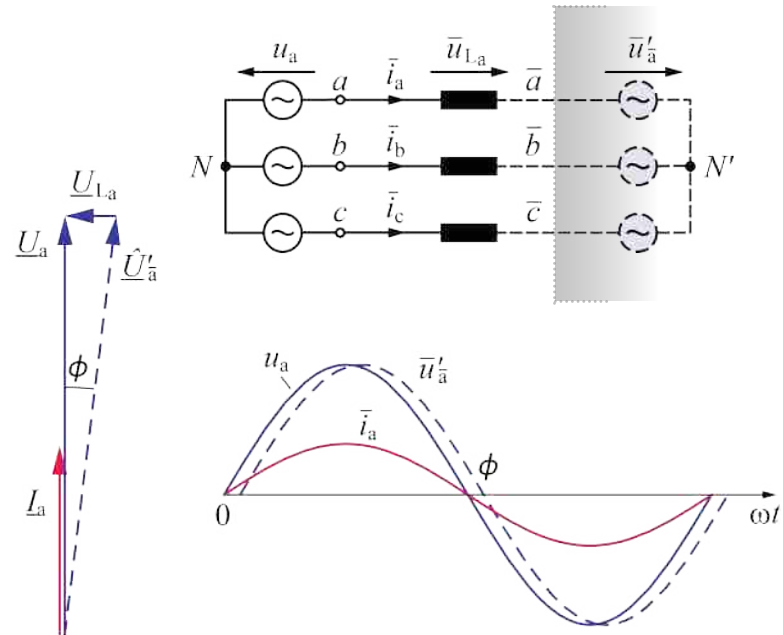
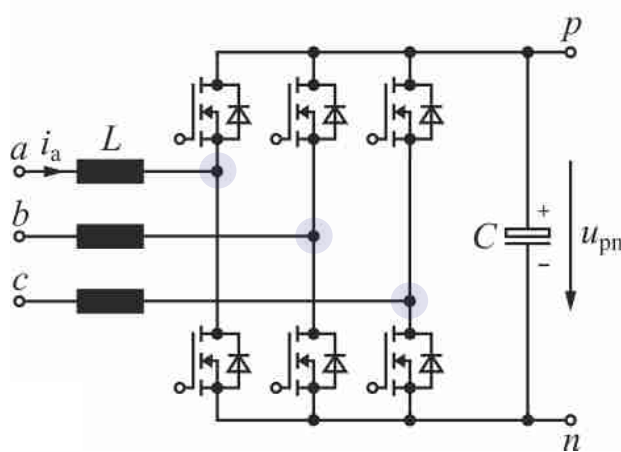
- Conduction States and Blocking Voltage Defined by *Line-to-Line* Mains Voltages
- Intervals with *Zero Current* / LF Harmonics
- No Output Voltage Control



► Modulation of Diode Bridge Input Voltages

## 6-Switch Boost PFC Rectifier (1)

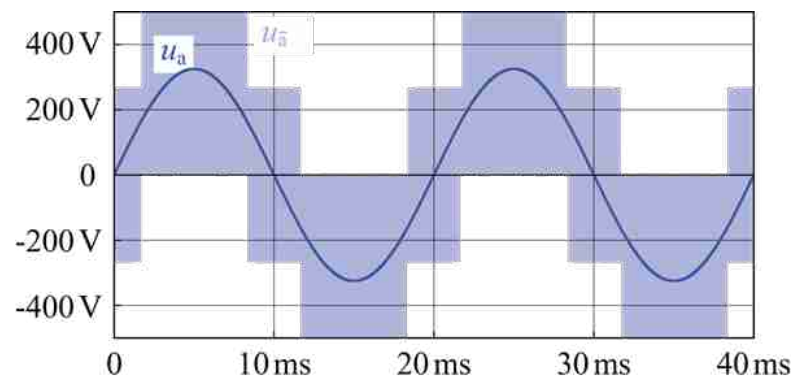
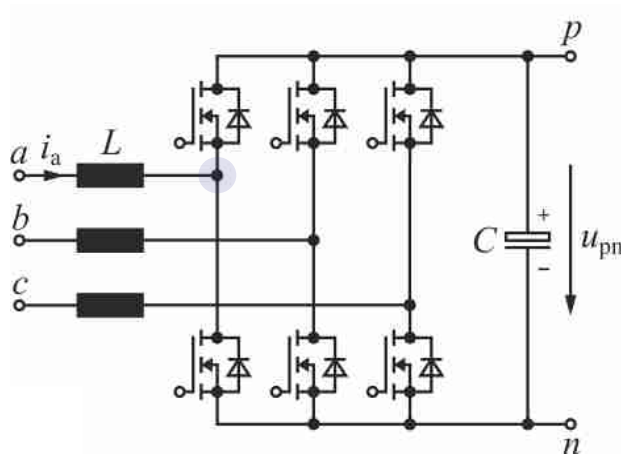
- *Active Control of Switch Node Voltages due to Replacement of Diodes by Switches*
- 2-Level Topology with Boost-Functionality
- *Input Current Impressed by Difference of Mains & Bridge Input Voltage*
- Blocking Voltage of Switches Defined by DC-Voltage  $u_{pn} > u_{in,line-line}$



### ► Time Behavior of PWM Voltages

## 6-Switch Boost PFC Rectifier (2)

- *2-Level Bridge Leg Characteristic / 5-Level Phase Voltage with open Star-Point*

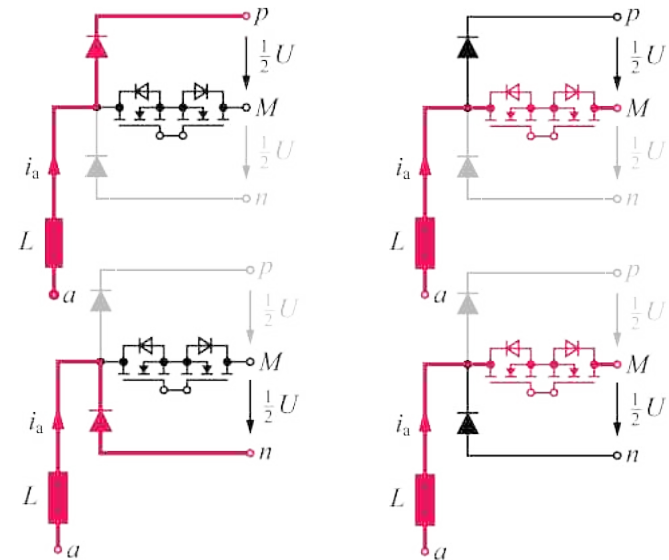
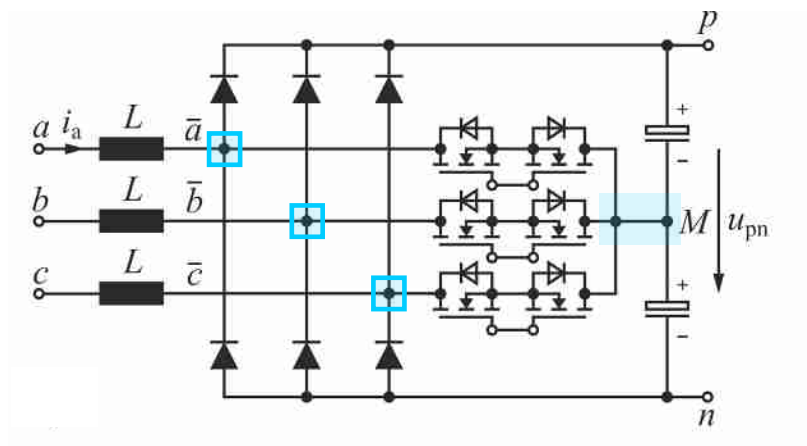


- **Multi-Level Topologies** → **Lower Switching Losses and Smaller Inductors**

— *Vienna Rectifier* —  
(*3L-Topology*)

# Vienna Rectifier (1)

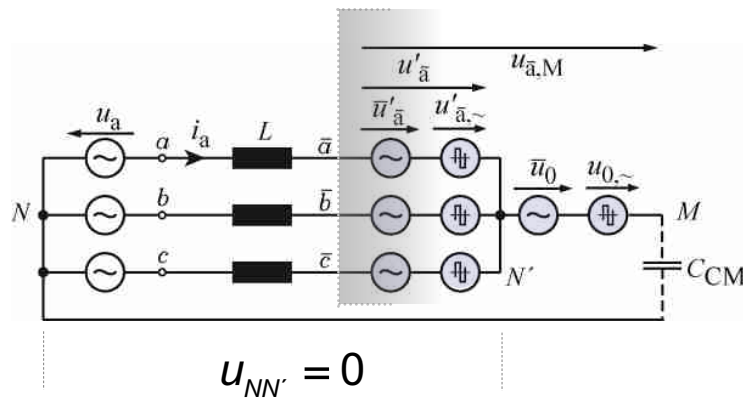
- **Active Control of Diode Bridge Conduction State / Input Voltages**
- **3-Level Topology with Boost-Functionality**
- **Bridge Leg Topologies with Different Voltage Stresses / Cond. Losses ( $u_{pn}/2$  for Switches)**



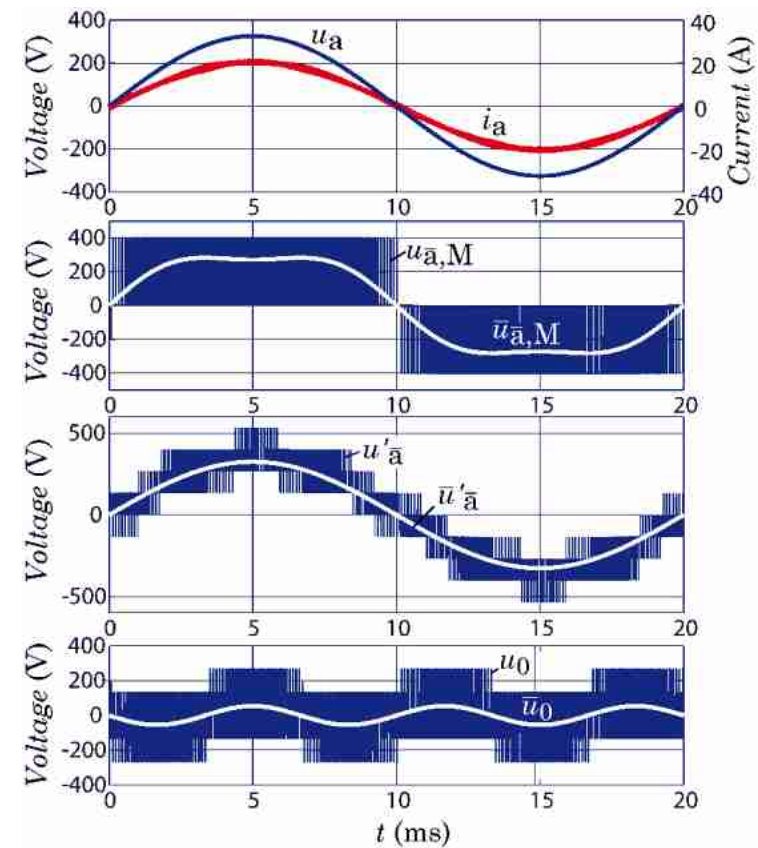
- **Diode Bridge Input Voltage Formation Dependent on Current Direction**
- **$\Phi = (-30^\circ, +30^\circ)$  Limit Due to Current Dependent Voltage Formation**

## Vienna Rectifier (2)

- **3-Level Bridge Leg Characteristic / 9-Level Phase Voltage**
- **Low Input Current Ripple / Low Inductance  $L$**

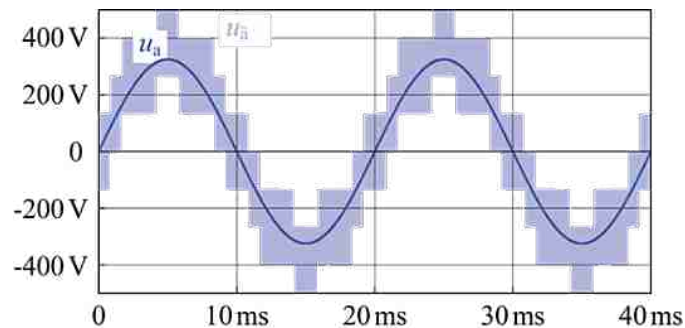
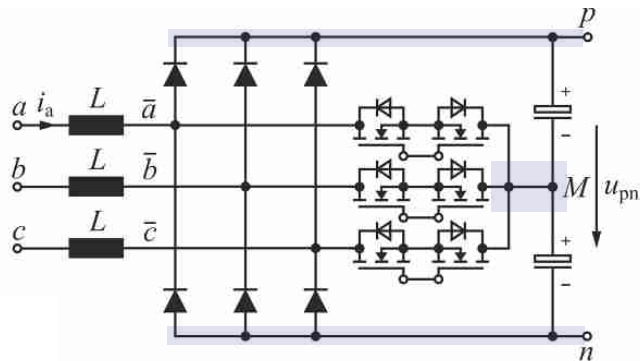


► Comparison between 2-Level and 3-Level

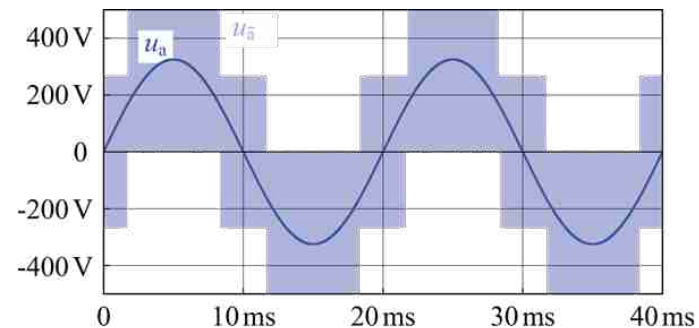
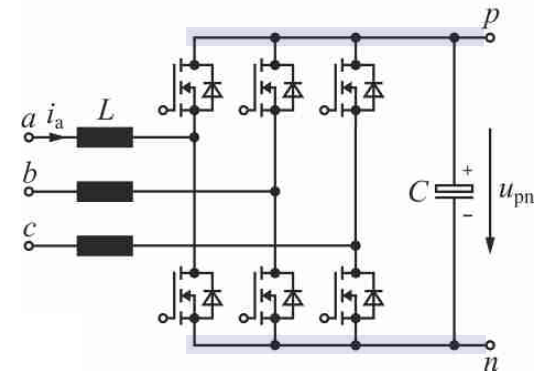


## Comparative Evaluation (1)

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- 9 vs. 5 Volt. Levels & Factor 2...3 Lower Sw. Losses → **Factor 4...6 (!) Lower L**



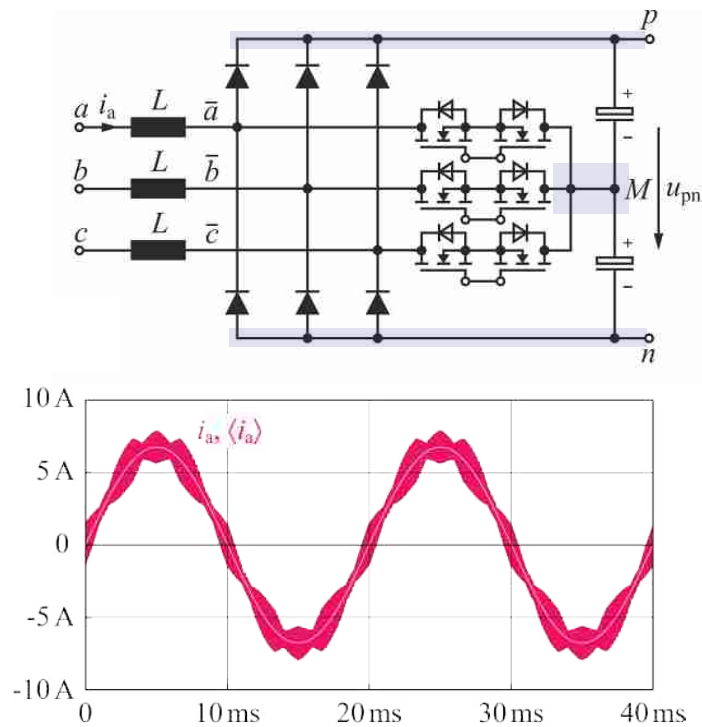
■ Vienna Rectifier



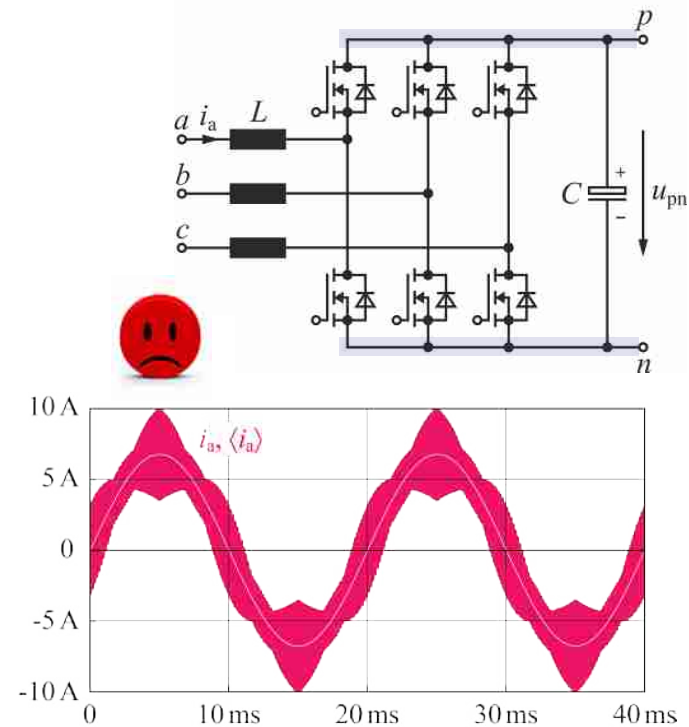
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■ Vienna Rectifier



■ Standard PWM Rectifier



# Vienna Rectifier Demonstrator

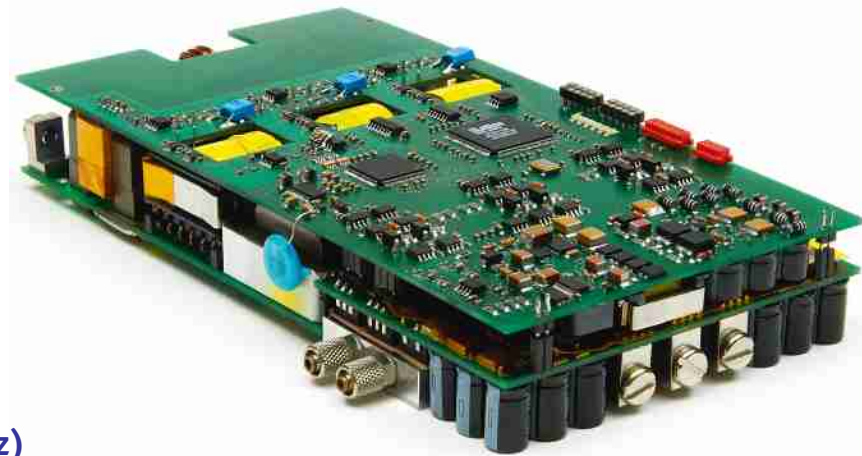
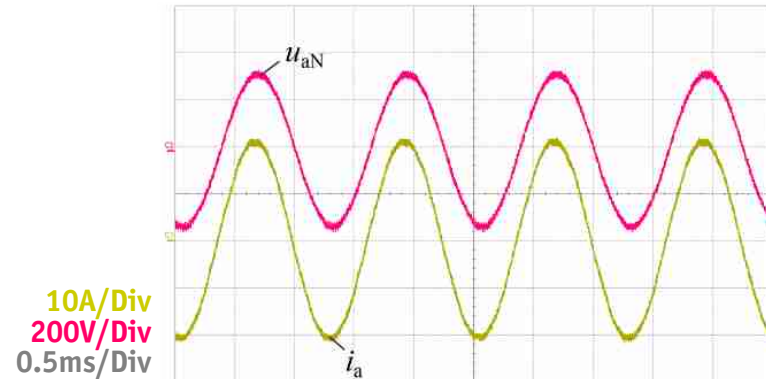
- Highly-Compact Demonstrator System
- CoolMOS & SiC Diodes
- Coldplate Cooling

$P_o = 10 \text{ kW}$   
 $U_N = 400V_{AC} \pm 10\%$   
 $f_N = 50\text{Hz or } 360 \dots 800\text{Hz}$   
 $U_o = 800V_{DC}$

$\eta = 96.8\%$

★  $\rho = 10 \text{ kW/dm}^3$

►  $THD_i = 1.6\% @ f_N = 800\text{Hz} (f_p = 250\text{kHz})$



## Buck-Type

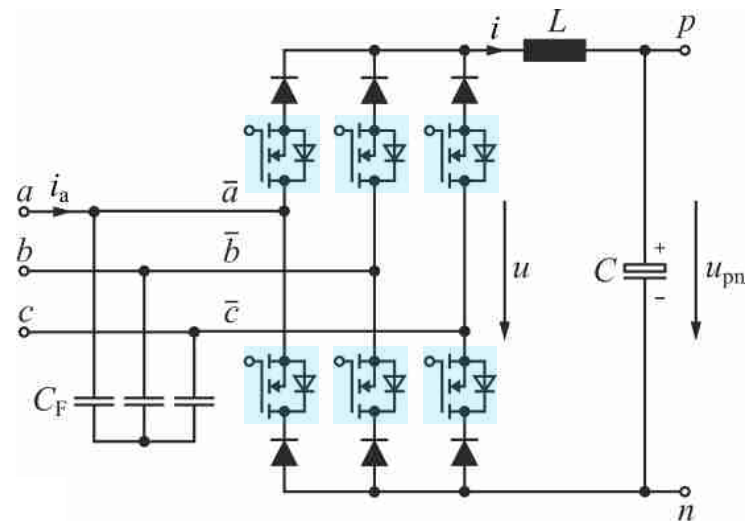
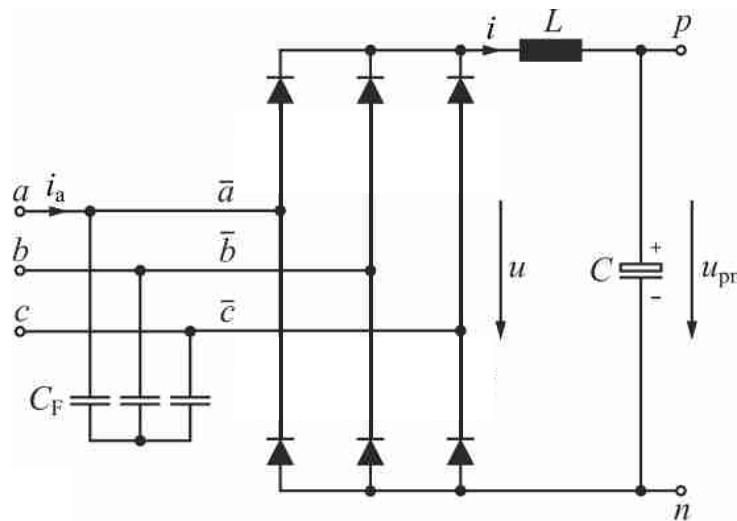
*6-Switch Buck Rectifier*  
*Integr. Active Filter PFC Rectifier*  
*SWISS Rectifier*

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—— *6-Switch Buck PFC Rectifier* ——

## 6-Switch Buck PFC Rectifier (1)

- Buck-Operation ( $u_{pn} < 3/2 U_{\text{line-line,rms}}$ ) → Insertion of Switches in Series to Diodes
- Active Control of Cond. States → Avg. Voltage  $u$  defined by selected Line-to-Line Volt.
- DC Current Impressed by Difference of Bridge  $u$  & Output Voltage  $u_{pn}$

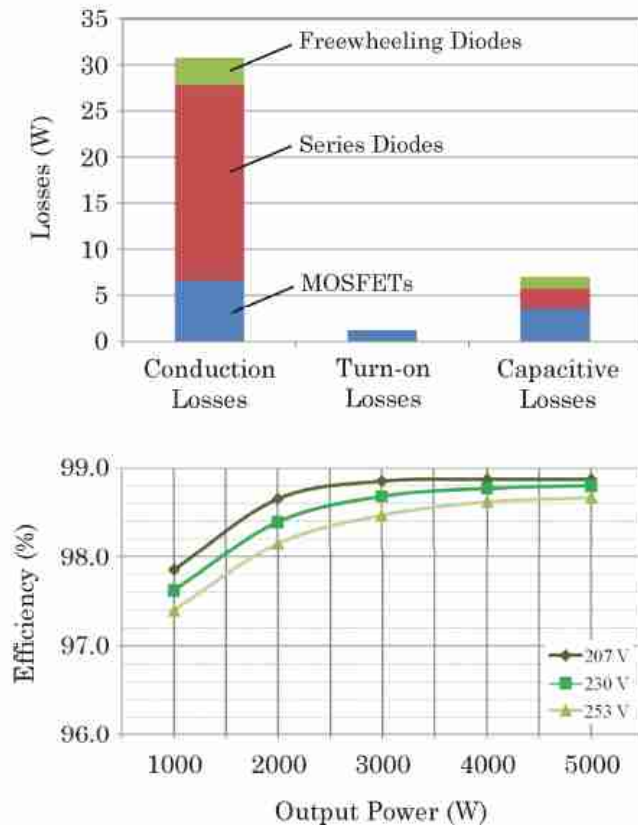
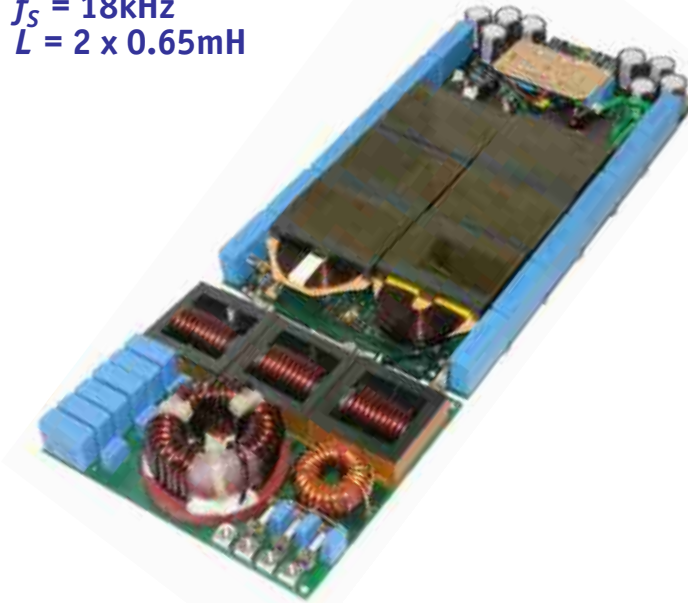


- ▶ No Line-Inductors: Pulsating Input Currents
- ▶ Relatively High Conduction Losses

## 6-Switch Buck PFC Rectifier Demonstrator

- Efficiency  $\eta > 98.8\%$  (Calorimetrically Measured)

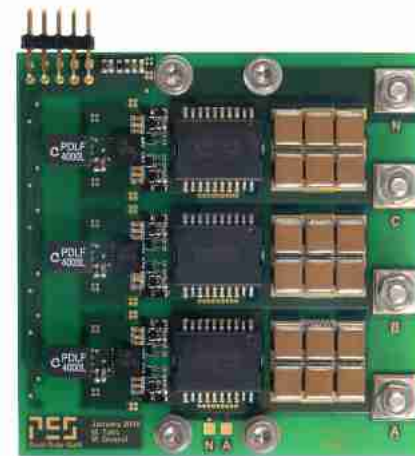
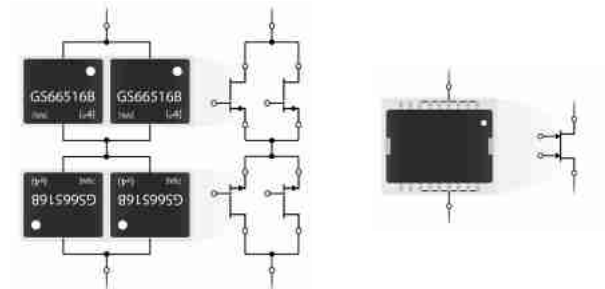
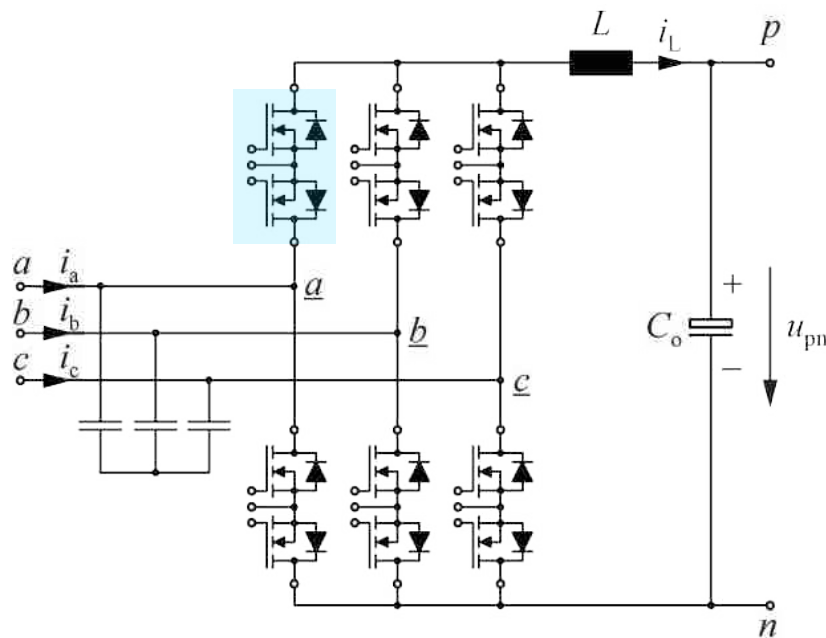
$$\begin{aligned} P_o &= 5 \text{ kW} \\ U_N &= 400V_{AC} \rightarrow U_o = 400V_{DC} \\ f_s &= 18\text{kHz} \\ L &= 2 \times 0.65\text{mH} \end{aligned}$$



- Biggest Share of Losses in Series Diodes
- Substitution by **Dual-Gate Monolithic Bidirectional GaN e-FETs**

## 6-Switch Buck PFC Rectifier Demonstrator

- New **Panasonic** "Dual-Gate Monolithic Bidirectional GaN e-FETs",  $\pm 600\text{V}$ ,  $26\text{m}\Omega$
- 4 x lower Conduction Losses than Best in Class 650V GaN Switches (GaN Systems GS6651B)

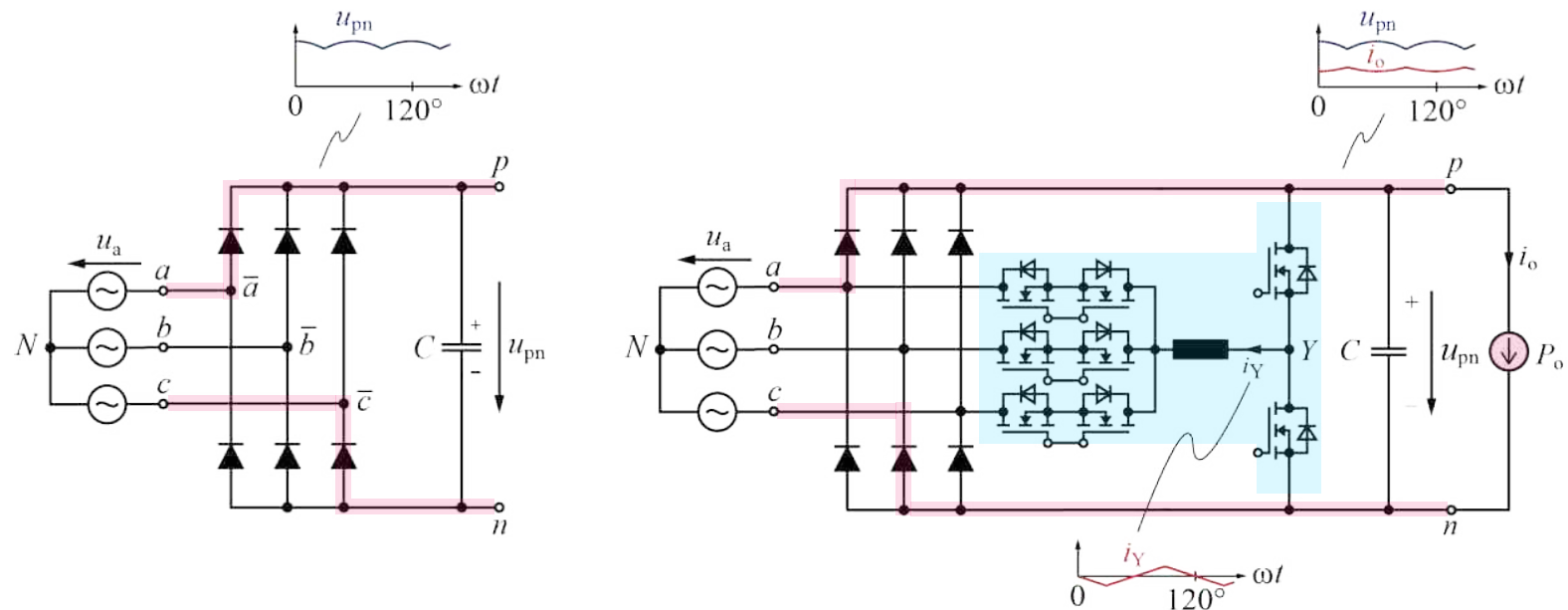


- ▶ **Switching Loss Measurements under Investigation**
- ▶ **Bidirectional Power Transfer possible**

— *Integrated Active Filter* —  
*PFC Rectifier*

## Integr. Active Filter (IAF) PFC Rectifier (1)

- **No Line-Inductors** : Output Voltage defined by largest Line-to-Line Input Voltage
- Always Diodes of most Positive and most Negative Input Voltage conducting



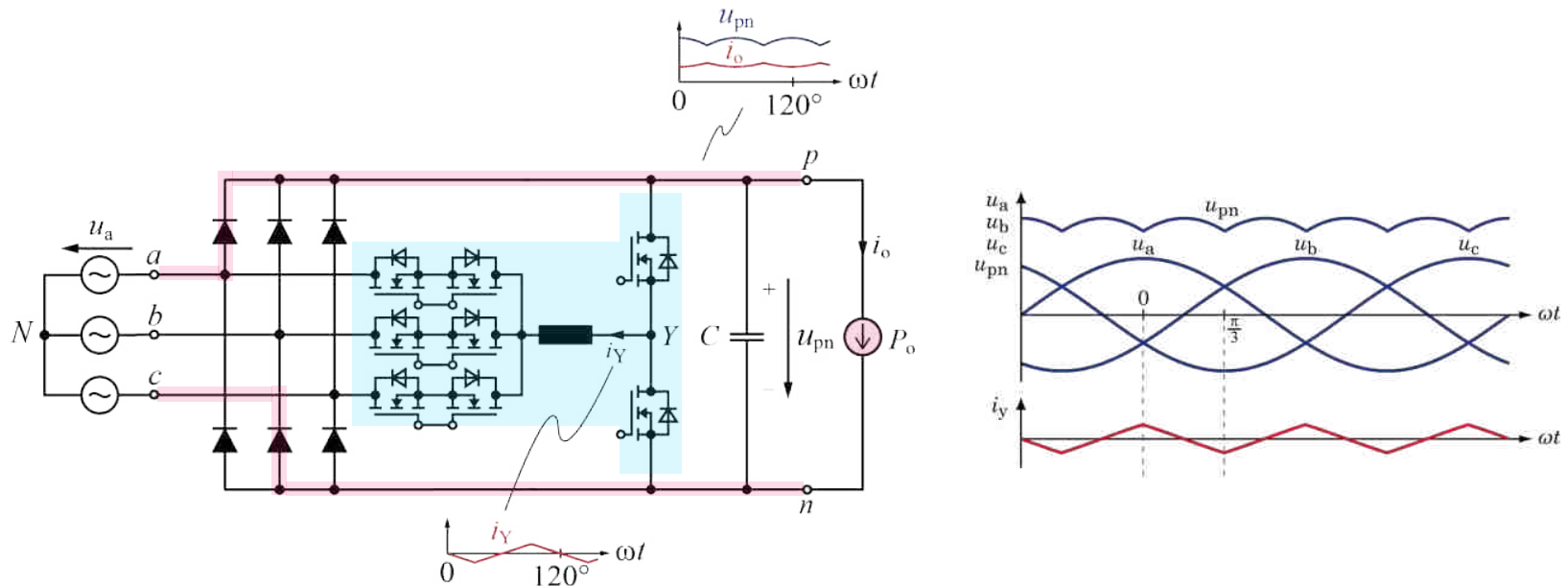
► 3<sup>rd</sup> Harm. Injection into "Middle" Phase

→ Basic Idea: M. Jantsch, 1997 (for PV Inv.)



## Integr. Active Filter (IAF) PFC Rectifier (2)

- Only *One Inductor* conducting the **Smallest Phase Current** → **Low Switching Losses**
- High Efficiency, Low Complexity
- **Bidirectional Phase-Selector Switches** conducting within  $60^\circ$  Intervals

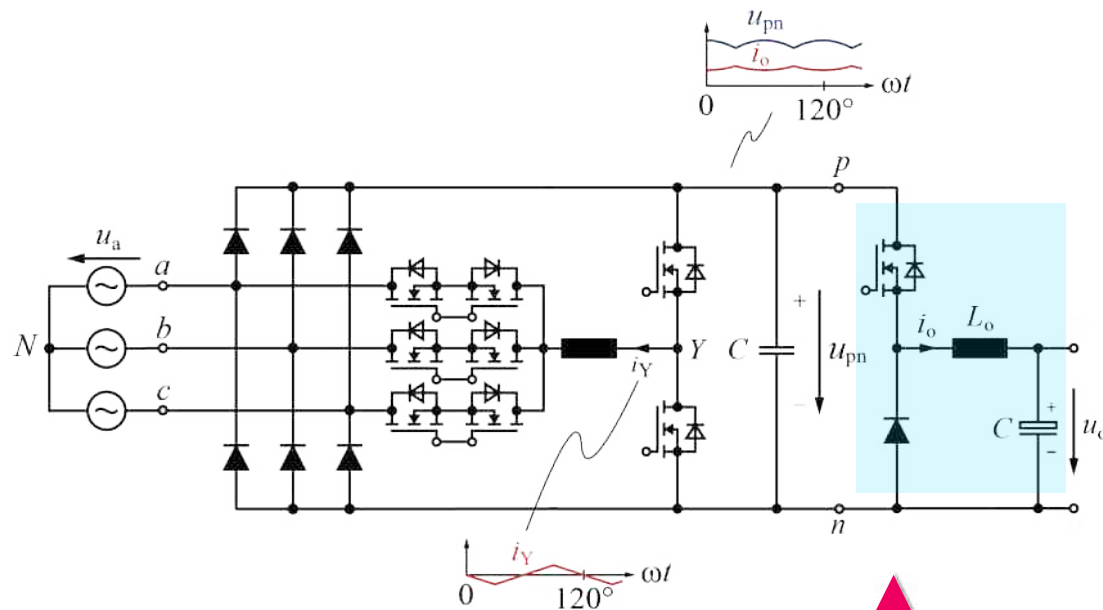


► Sinusoidal Current in All Phases

→  $P_o = \text{const. Required}$   
→ **NO (!) Output Voltage Control**

## Integr. Active Filter (IAF) PFC Rectifier (3)

- **Buck-Output Stage for  $P_o = \text{const.}$  & Outp. Voltage Control**



- Buck-Stage Could be Replaced by *Boost-Stage, Isol. DC/DC Conv. or Inverter*

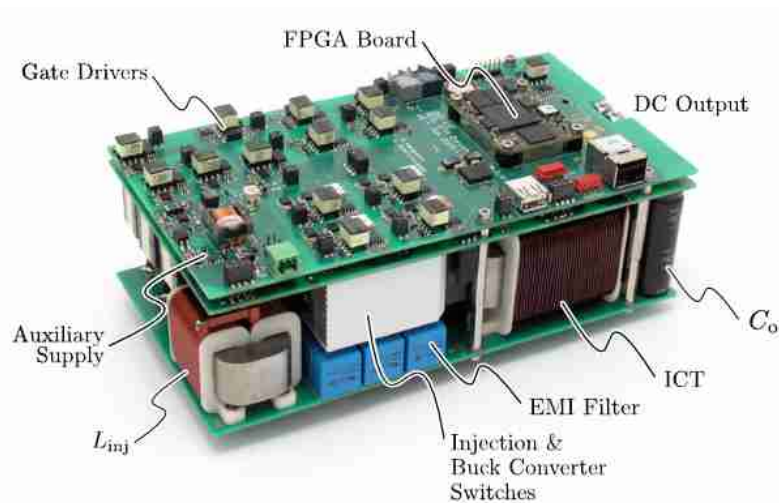
## IAF Rectifier Demonstrator

- Efficiency  $\eta > 99.1\%$  @ 60% Rated Load
- Mains Current  $THD_I \approx 2\%$  @ Rated Load
- Power Density  $\rho \approx 4\text{ kW/dm}^3$

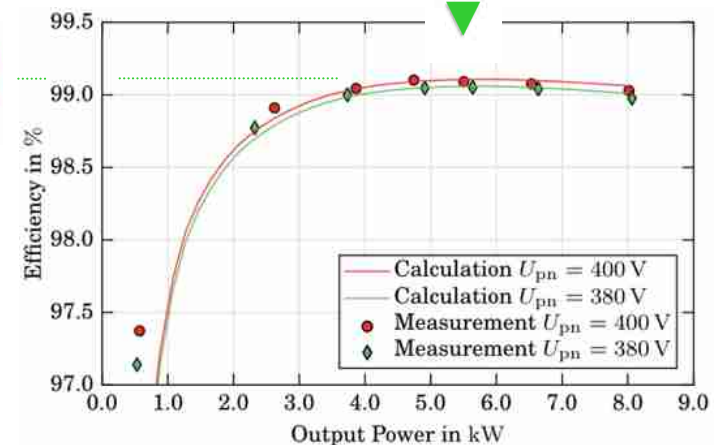
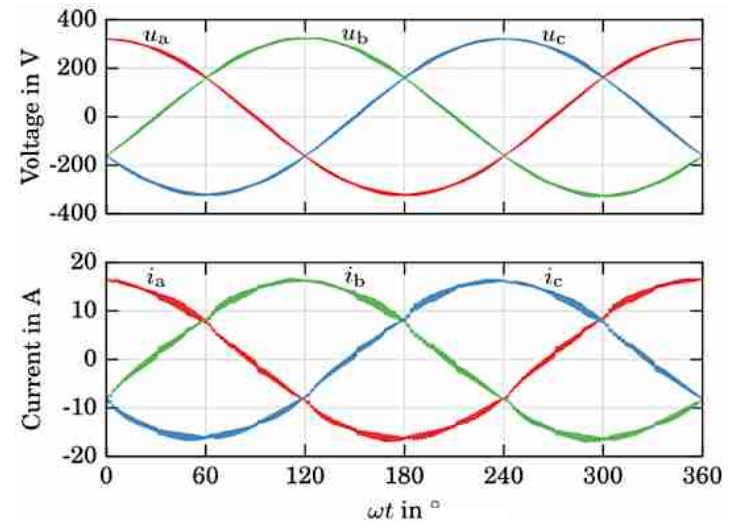
$$P_o = 8\text{ kW}$$

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

$$f_s = 27\text{ kHz}$$



- ▶ SiC Power MOSFETs & Diodes
- ▶ 2 Interleaved Buck Output Stages

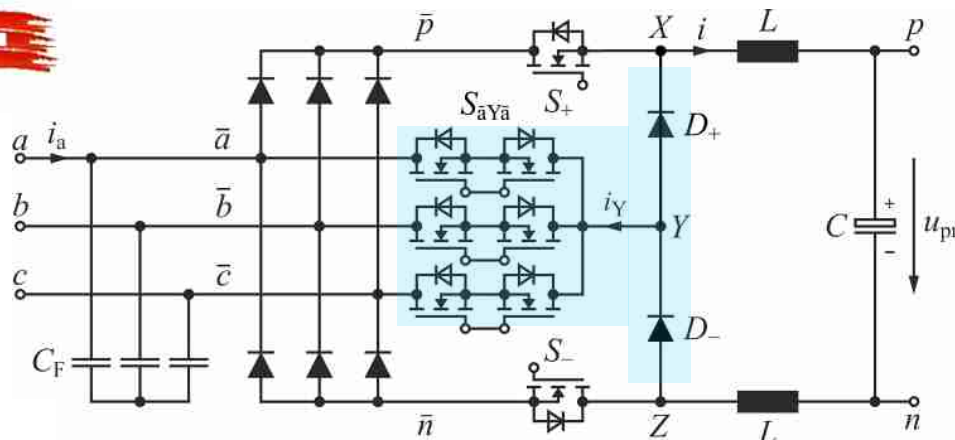
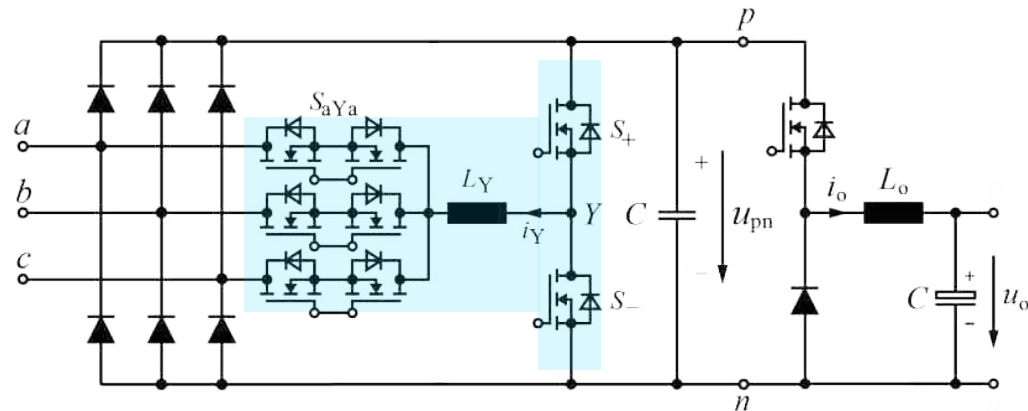


—— *SWISS Rectifier* ——



## Swiss Rectifier (1)

- Integration of Buck-Stage into IAF Rectifier
- Low Complexity / High Efficiency



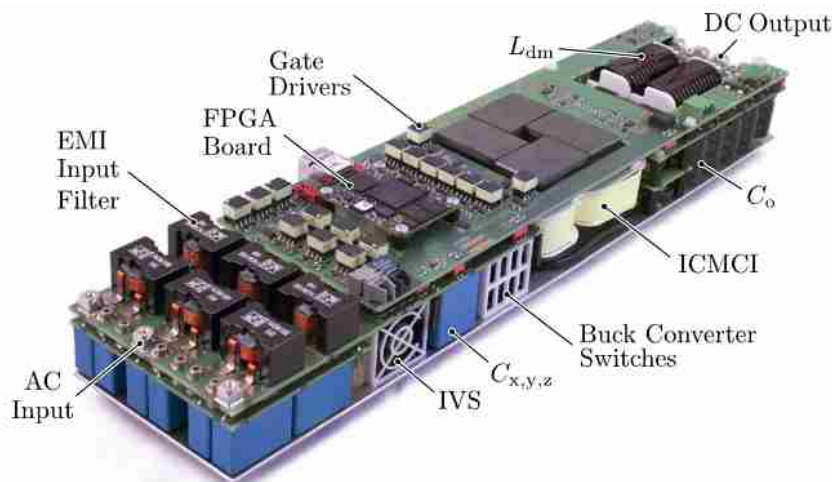
## Swiss Rectifier Demonstrator

- Efficiency  $\eta = 99.26\%$  @ 60% Rated Load
- Mains Current  $THD_I \approx 0.5\%$  @ Rated Load
- Power Density  $\rho \approx 4\text{kW/dm}^3$

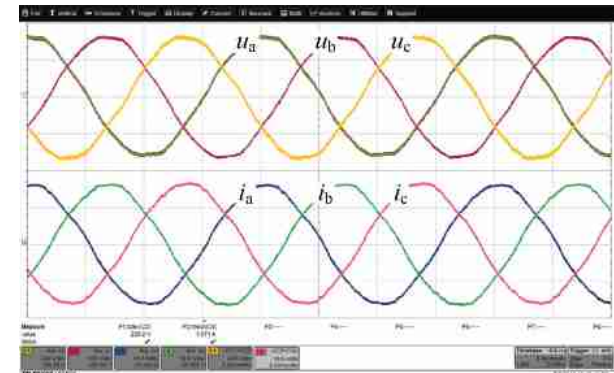
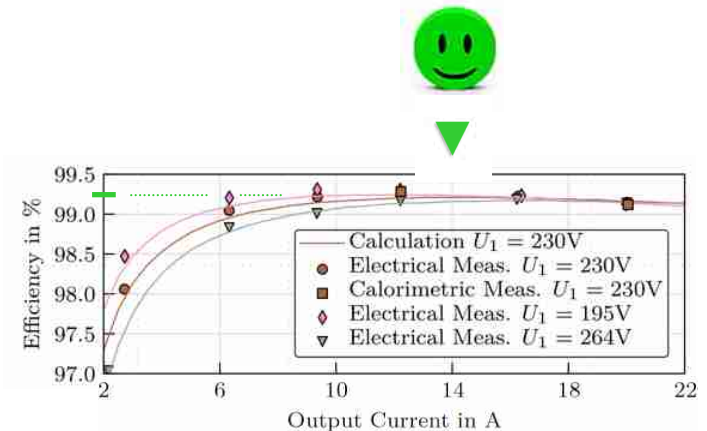
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- ▶ SiC Power MOSFETs & Diodes
- ▶ Integr. CM Coupled Output Inductors (ICMCI)



# Boost-Buck AND Buck-Boost-Type PFC Rectifier

————— *1/3 and 2/3 Concepts* —————  
*Phase-Modular Concepts*

## ► Advanced 3 $\phi$ Active PFC Rectifier Systems

- Mains Side Sinusoidal Current Shaping
- *Extremely Wide and Overlapping Voltage Ranges*
- High Efficiency / High Power Density
- Low Complexity

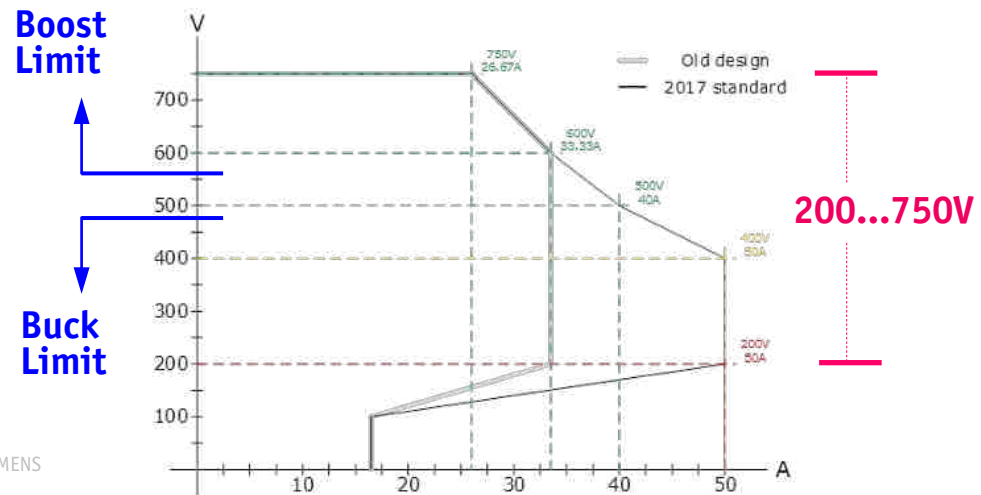


Source: Porsche  
Mission-E Project

High-Power EV Batter Charging



Source: SIEMENS



► Buck-Boost Functionality needed



# 1/3 and 2/3 Concepts

*1/3 Rectifier*  
*1/3 Vienna-Rectifier*  
*2/3 Current Source Rectifier*

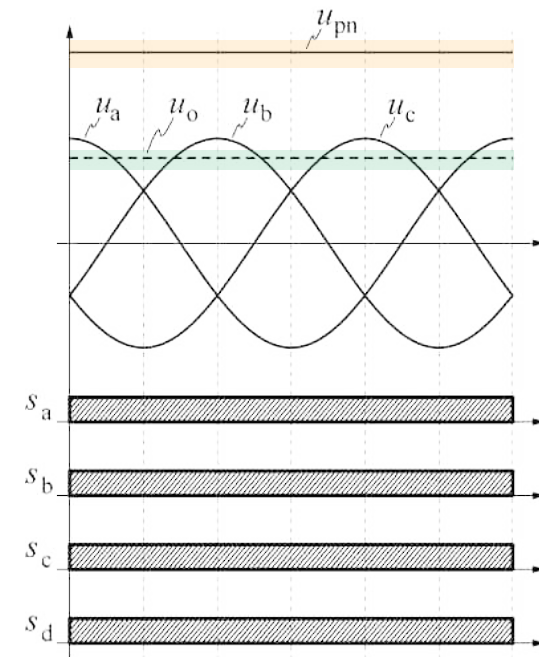
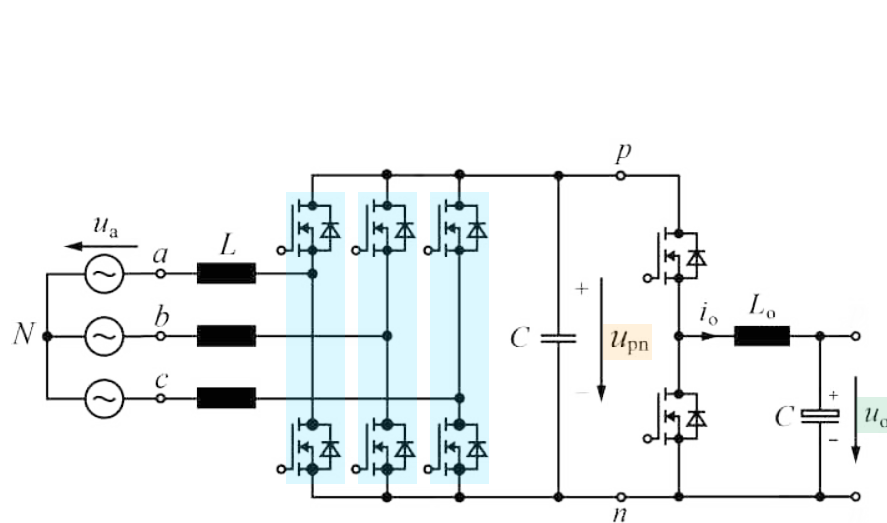
—— **1/3 Rectifier** ——

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# 1/3 PWM Boost & Buck PFC Rectifier (1)

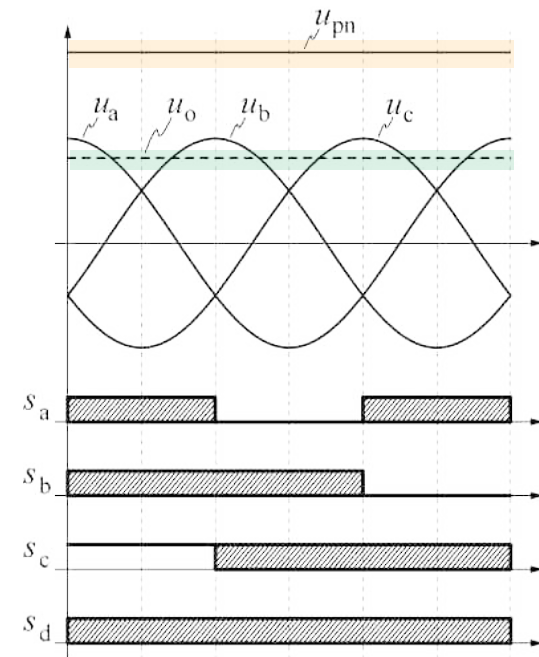
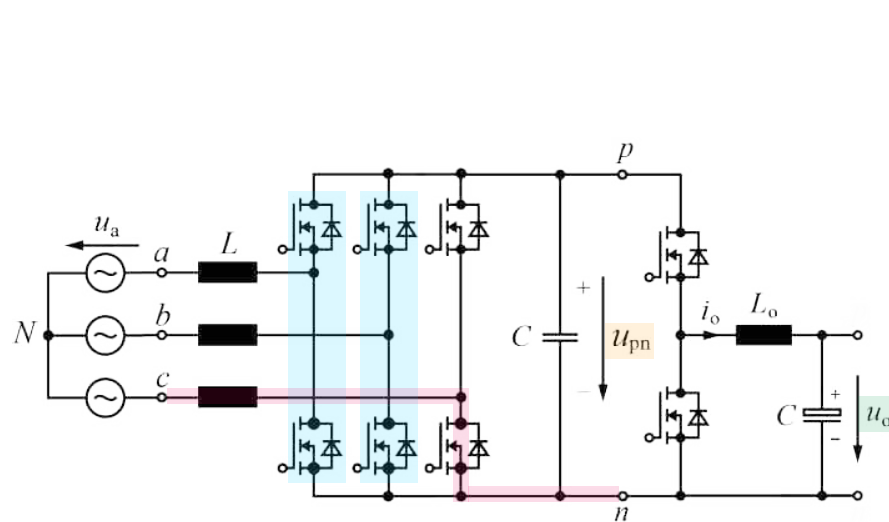
- Conventional 3 $\Phi$ -Boost PFC Rectifier with subsequent DC/DC Buck-Stage
- Control of *Sinusoidal* Input Currents and *Constant* DC-Link Voltage  $u_{pn}$



- *PWM* - Operation of *Three* Rectifier-Bridges
- *DPWM* - Operation of *Two* Rectifier-Bridges - One Phase Clamped

## 1/3 PWM Boost & Buck PFC Rectifier (2)

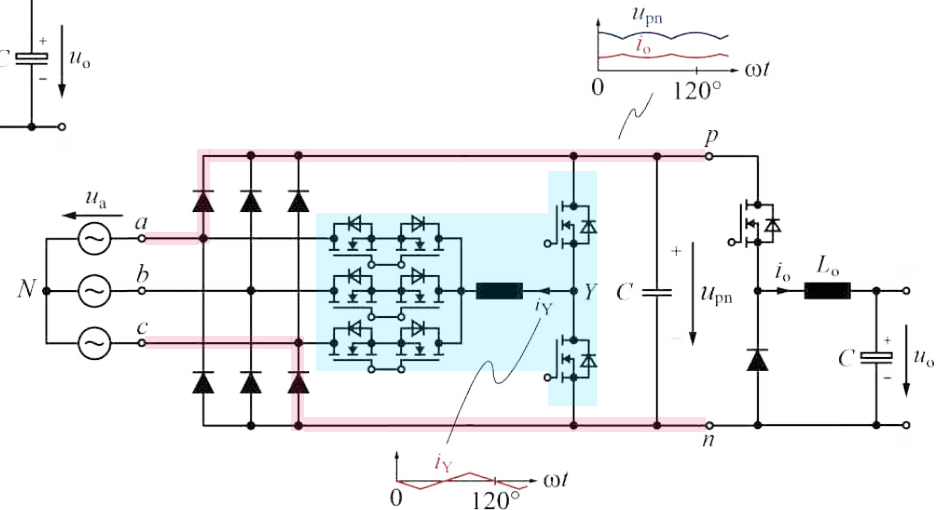
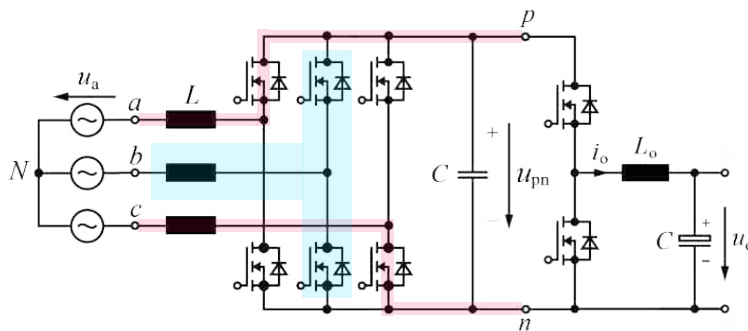
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- DC/DC Buck-Stage steps  $u_{pn}$  down
- No Need to kept DC-Link Voltage  $u_{pn}$  constant

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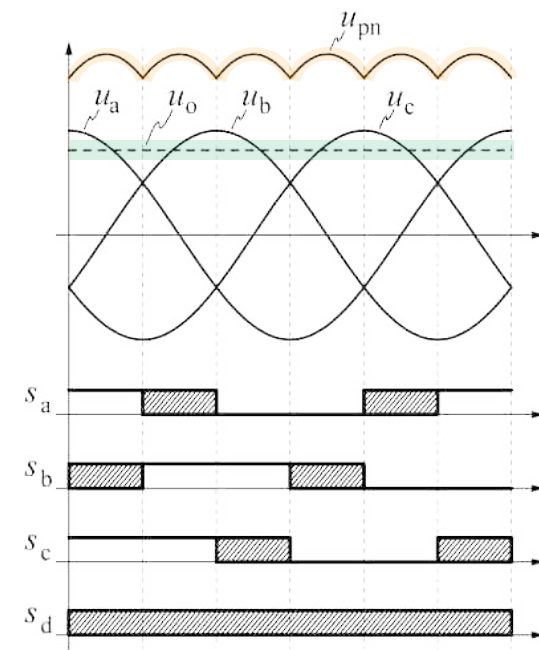
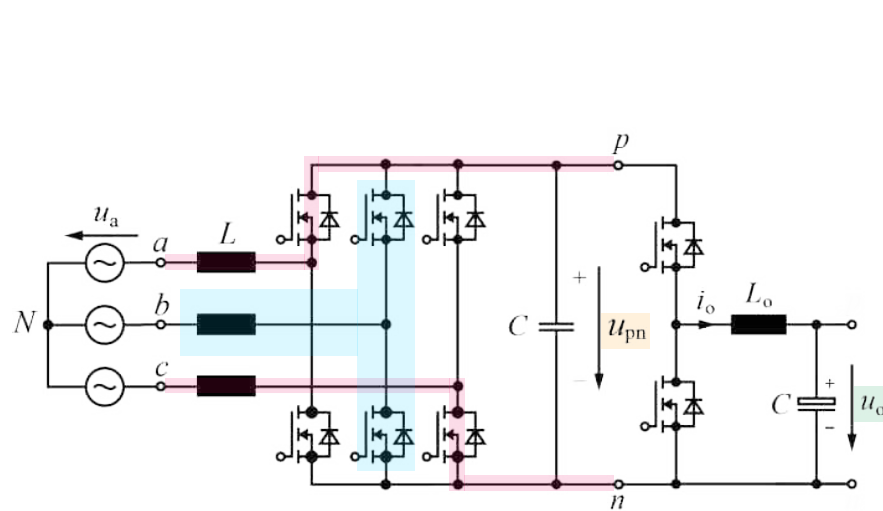
- Clamping of two Phases → *Pulsating DC-Link Voltage like IAF Rectifier*
- Current Injection in "Middle" Phase → *Sinusoidal Input Currents*



► Similar Concept: D. Neacsu, 2012

## 1/3 PWM Boost & Buck PFC Rectifier (4)

- *Buck-Stage Utilized for DC Link Voltage Shaping / Control of 2 Mains Phase Currents*
- *Low Switching Losses / High Efficiency*
- *Cont. Input & Output Currents*

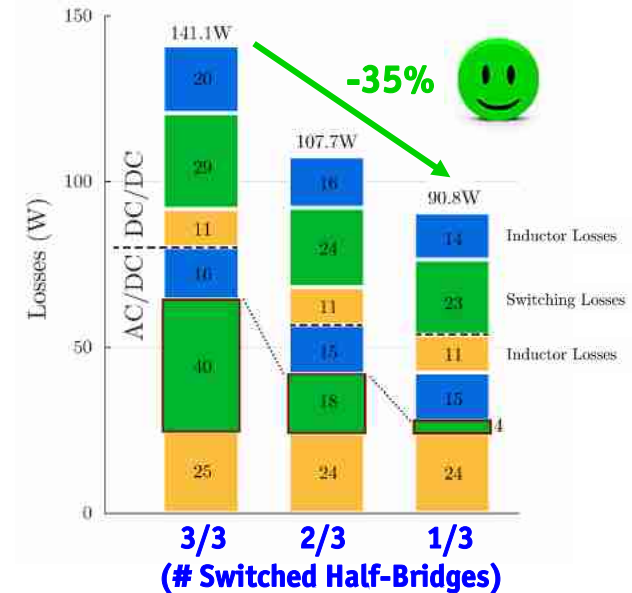
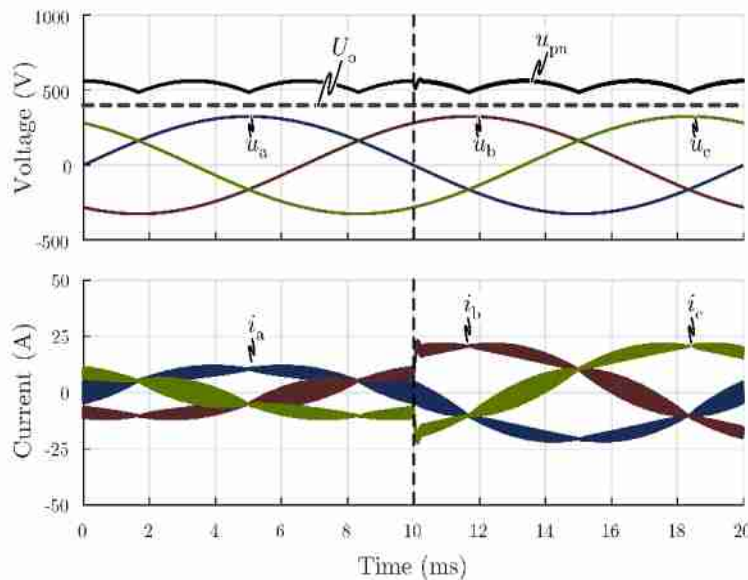


- ▶ *Buck- or Boost & Buck-Operation possible*
- ▶ *Bidirectional / Inv. Operation*
- ▶ *Conventional Cascaded Control Structure of PFC Rectifiers*

# 1/3 PWM Boost & Buck PFC Rectifier (5)

- Simulated Waveforms (Load Step)
- Theoretical Loss Calculation

- 48kHz Switching Frequency
- 10kW Operation
- 400V Output Voltage
- 25A Output Current



► Rectifier Switching Loss Reduction by x 10 → Allows for higher Switching Freq.

## 1/3 Vienna Rectifier



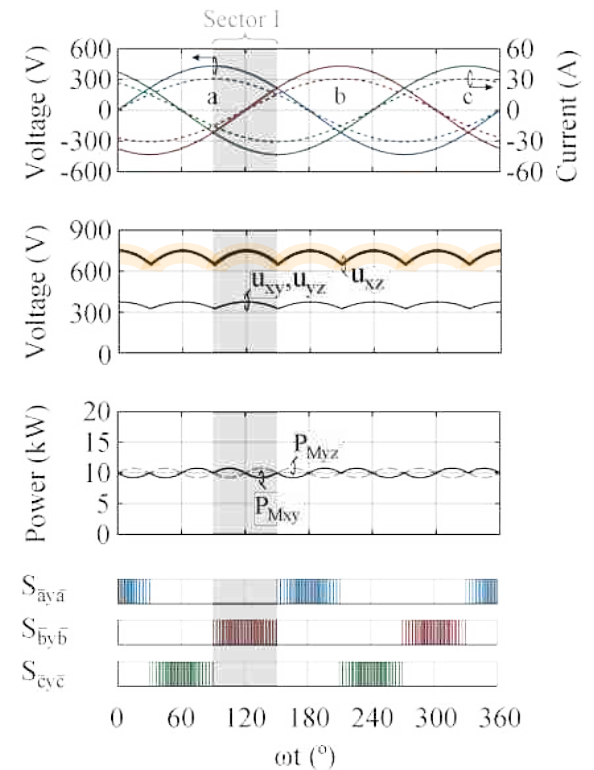
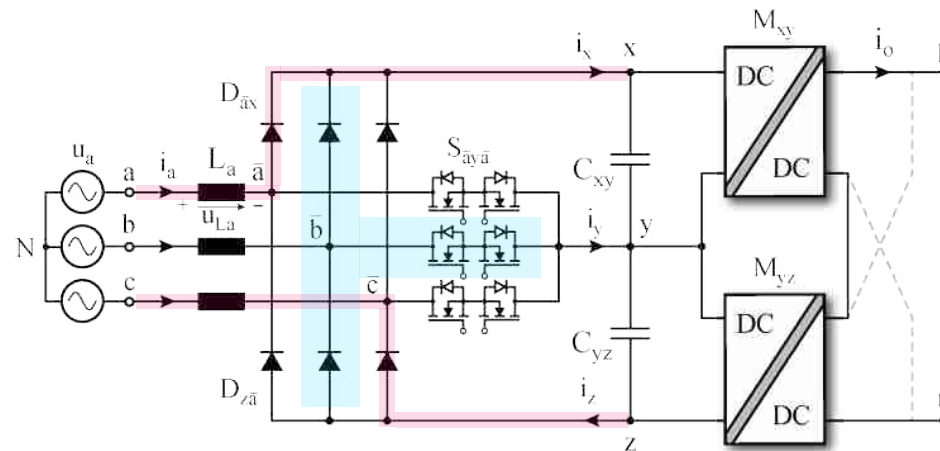
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# 1/3 Isolated Vienna Rectifier (1)

- Application of *1/3-Modulation* on *Two-Stage Isolated Vienna Rectifier*
- 3-Level Topology → Lower Current Ripple and Blocking Voltage Requirements
- Lower Switching Losses → Higher Efficiency



- ▶ DC-Midpoint Voltage balanced by Isolated DC/DC Stage
- ▶ Also Non-Isolated DC/DC Converters applicable
- ▶ Presentation in upcoming COMPEL 2019

## 2/3 Current Source Rectifier

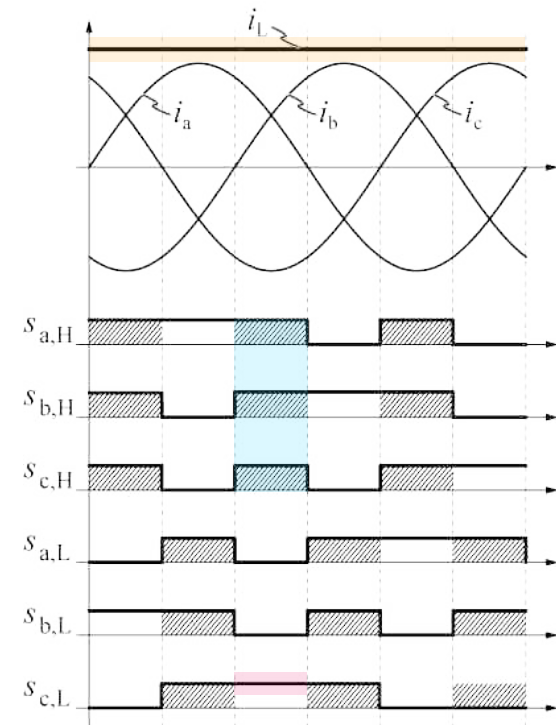
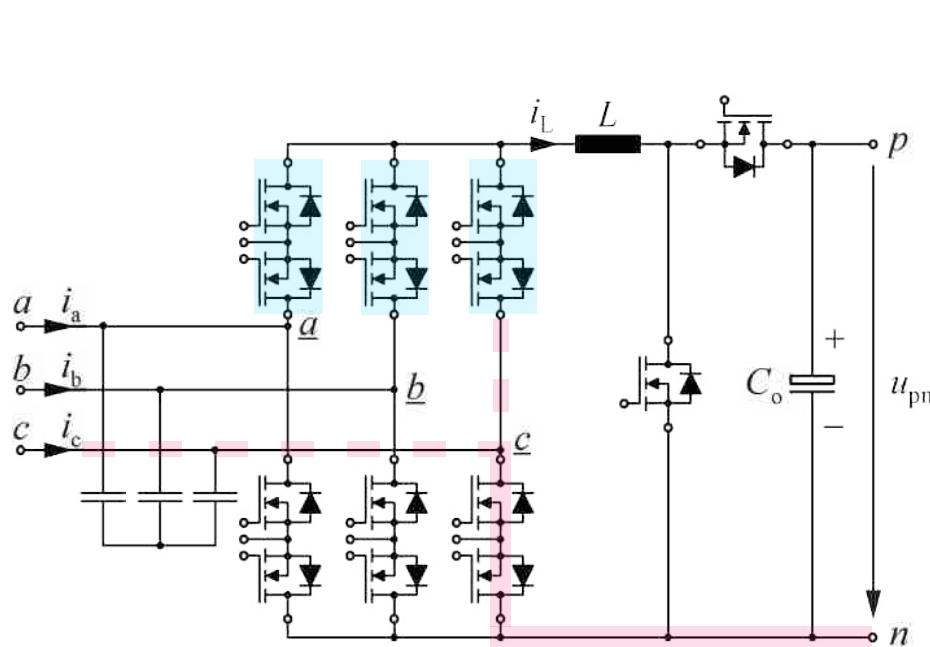


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## 2/3 PWM Buck & Boost Current Source Rectifier (1)

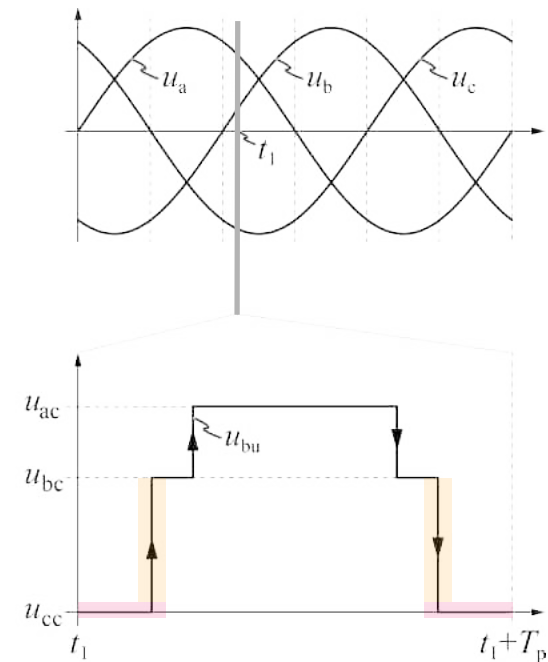
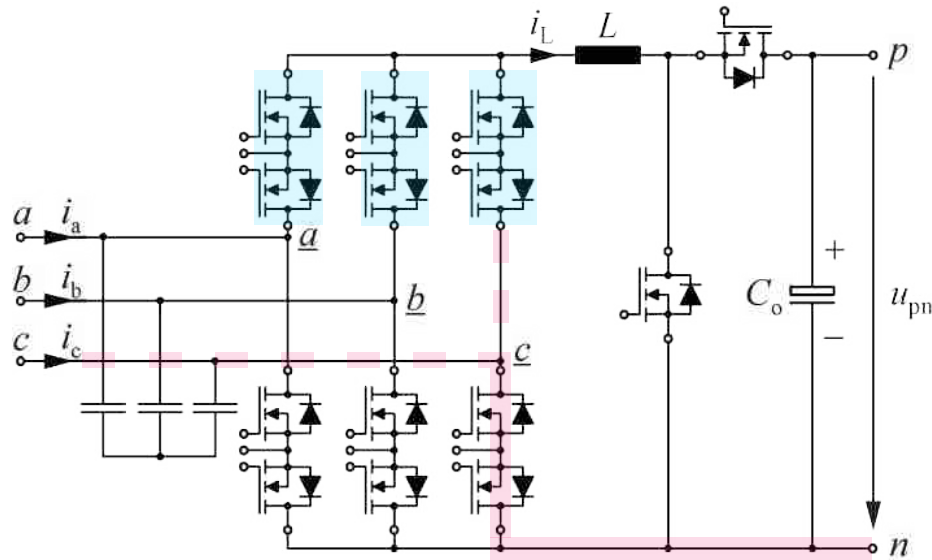
- Conventional 3 $\Phi$ -Buck PFC Rectifier with subsequent DC/DC Boost-Stage
- Control of *Sinusoidal* Input Currents and **Constant** DC-Link Inductor Current  $i_L$



- Either All Three High-Side or Low-Side Switches must be Pulse-Width modulated
- Freewheeling Interval for Bridge with largest Phase Current needed

## 2/3 PWM Buck & Boost Current Source Rectifier (2)

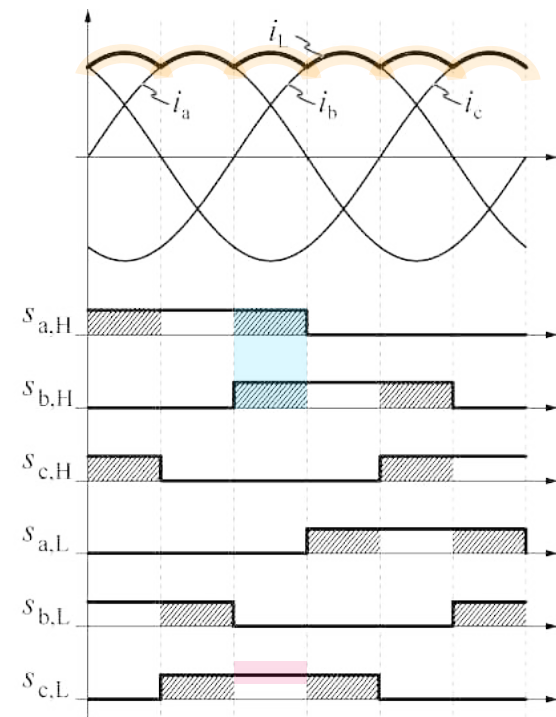
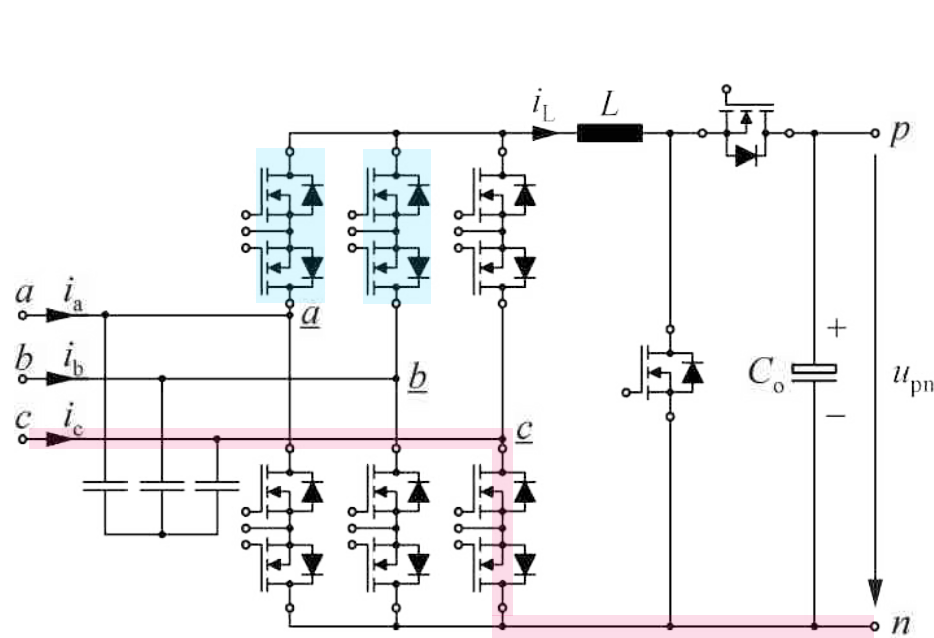
- **On-Time / Freewheeling Time** defined by Ratio betw. max. Phase and Inductor Current
- **On-Times of other Phases** given by Current Ratios with respect to max. Phase Current



- **Transition from/into Short-Circuit Interval** → largest Voltage switched (PFC Op.)
- **Constant DC-Link Inductor Current  $i_L$**  actually not needed

## 2/3 PWM Buck & Boost Current Source Rectifier (3)

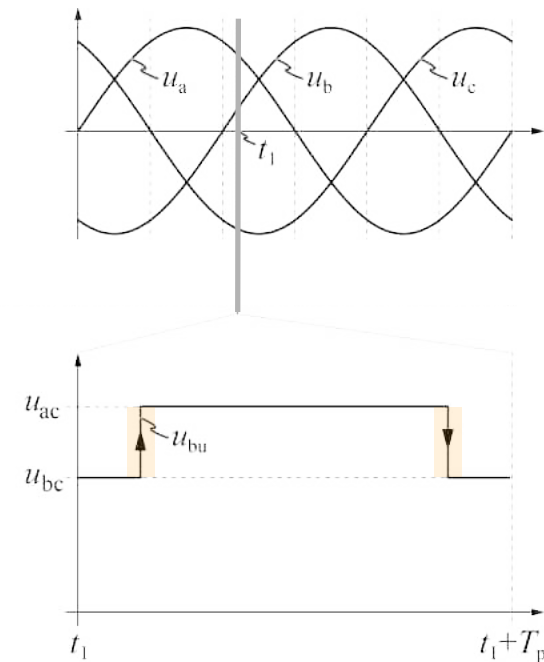
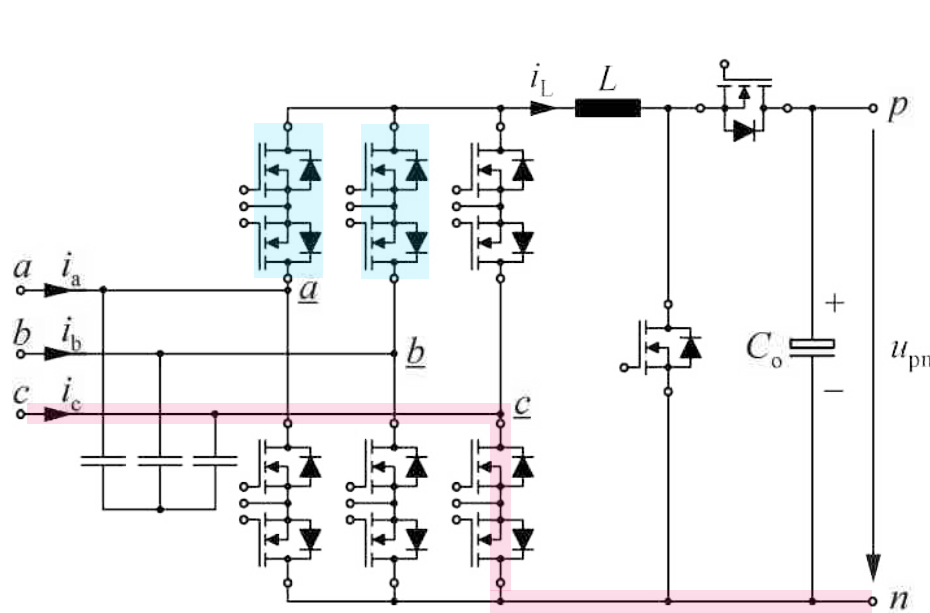
- Shape DC-Link Inductor Current  $i_L$  to equal **Absolute Value of max. Phase Current**
- **Only two High-Side or Low-Side Switches Pulse-Width modulated**



► **NO (!) Freewheeling-Interval needed**

## 2/3 PWM Buck & Boost Current Source Rectifier (4)

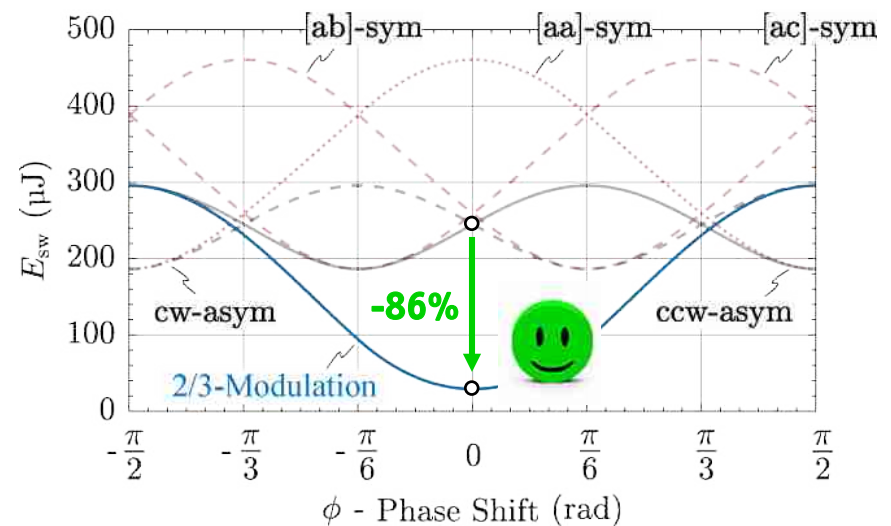
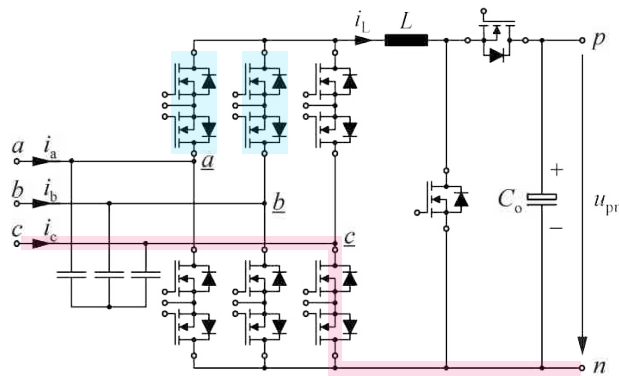
- Transition from/into Short-Circuit Interval eliminated → 2/3 Modulation



- Only small Voltages switched for PFC Operation
- Ultra Low Switching Losses expected

## 2/3 PWM Buck & Boost Current Source Rectifier (5)

- **Loss Reduction of -86%** for PFC Operation calculated
- Realization with **Monolithic Bidirectional GaN e-FETs** under Investigation



► Also applicable for Variable Speed Drive or Back-to-Back Configurations

# Phase-Modular Concepts

*Trident Rectifier*

*Y- Rectifier*



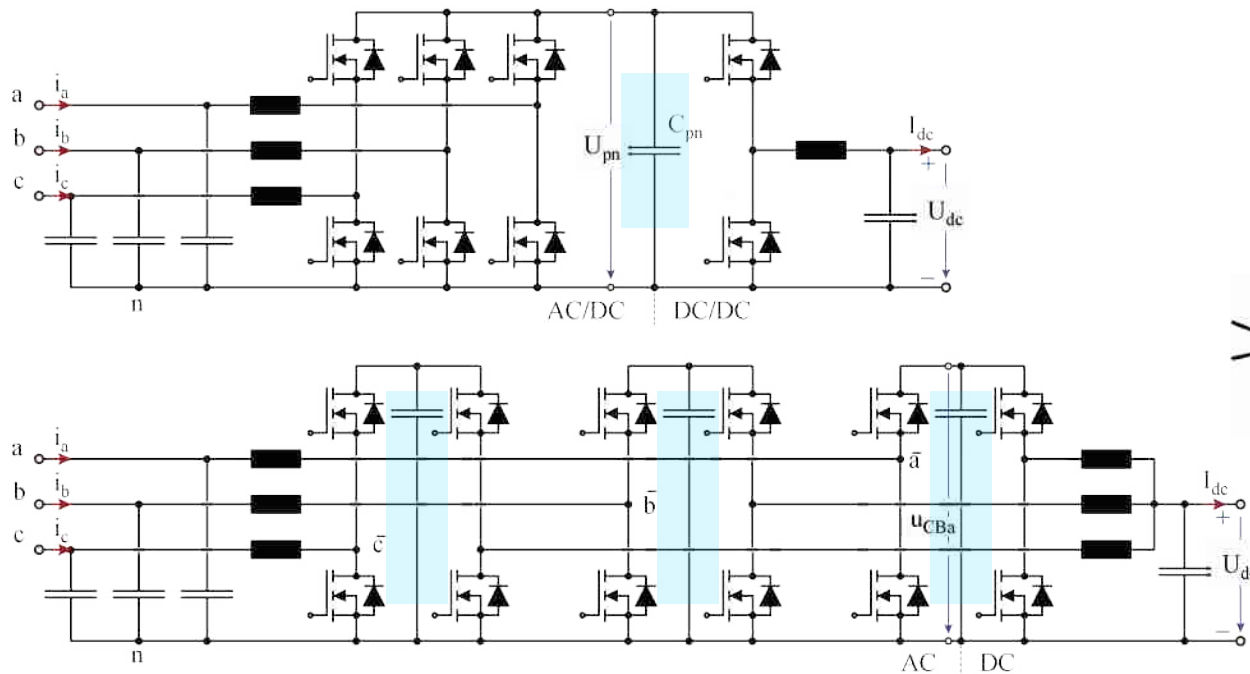
## — Trident-Rectifier —

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# Trident Rectifier (1)

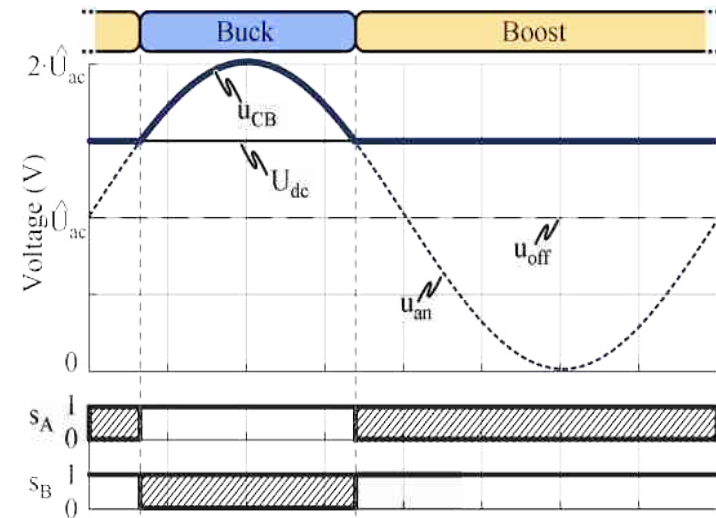
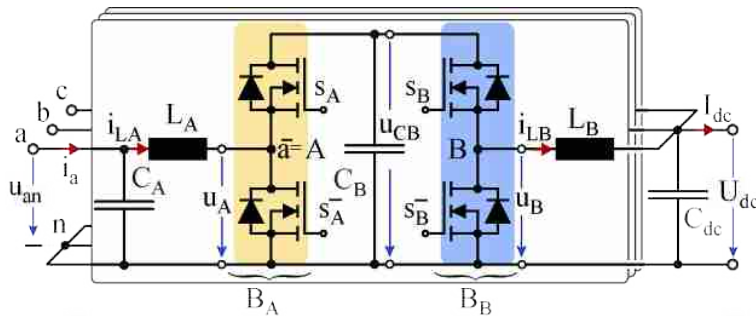
- Deduced from Conventional 3 $\Phi$ -Boost PFC Rectifier & DC/DC Buck-Stage
- *Individual DC-Link Voltages*  $\rightarrow$  Three Indep. DC/DC Boost & Buck Conv. Op. as AC/DC
- Realization of 3- $\Phi$  Inverter Using 3 DC/DC Converter (Phase) Modules — S. Cuk/1982



- *Phase Modular Structure* with Phase Voltages Referenced to *DC-Minus*
- DC Link Voltages *Adapted to Required AC Input Phase Voltage*

## Trident Rectifier (2)

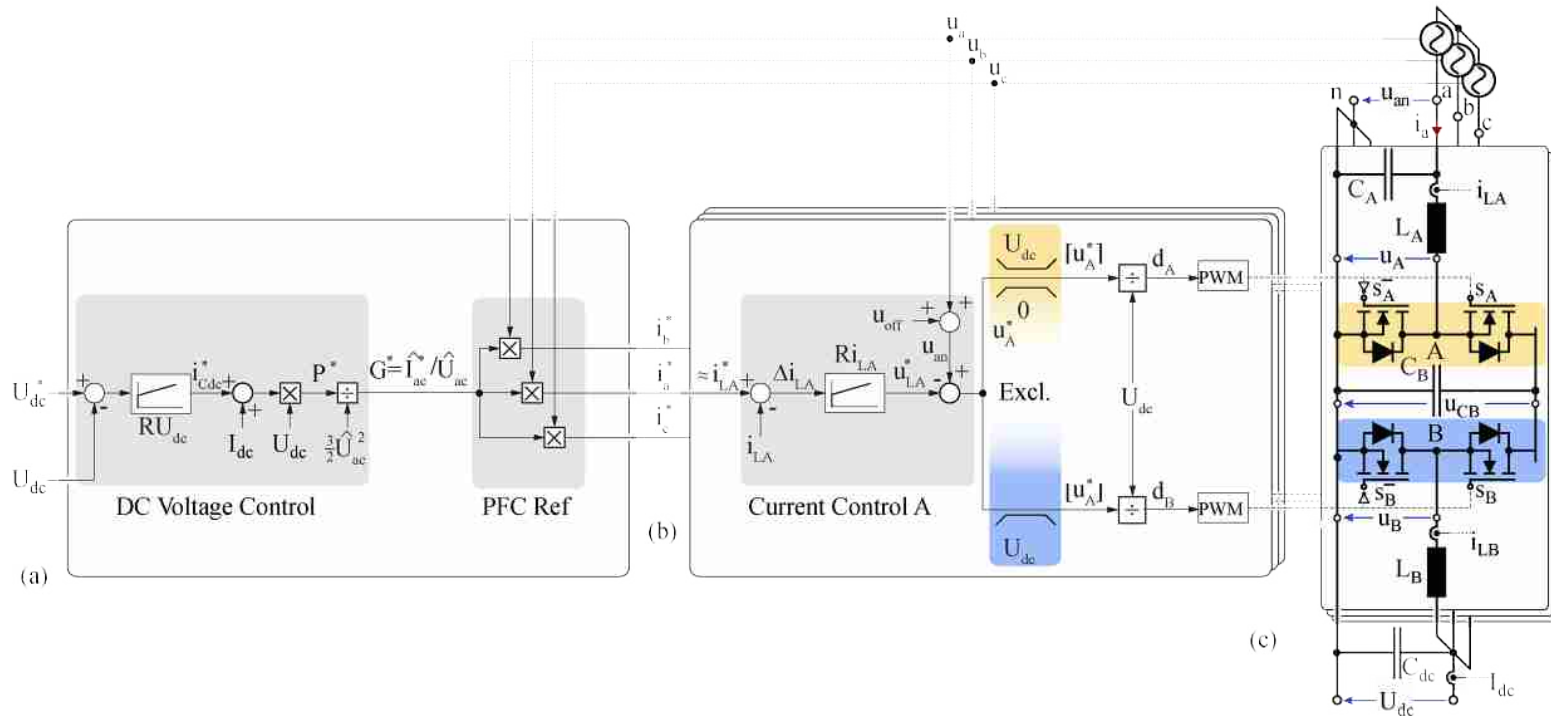
- Clamping of either Boost or Buck Bridge Leg of Phase Module → High Efficiency



- Seamless Transition between Boost- & Buck-Mode → “Democratic” Control

## Trident Rectifier (3)

- **Clamping of either Boost or Buck Bridge Leg of Phase Module**



- ▶ Continuous Input and Output Currents
- ▶ Applicable to Variable-Speed Motor Drives with unshielded Cables

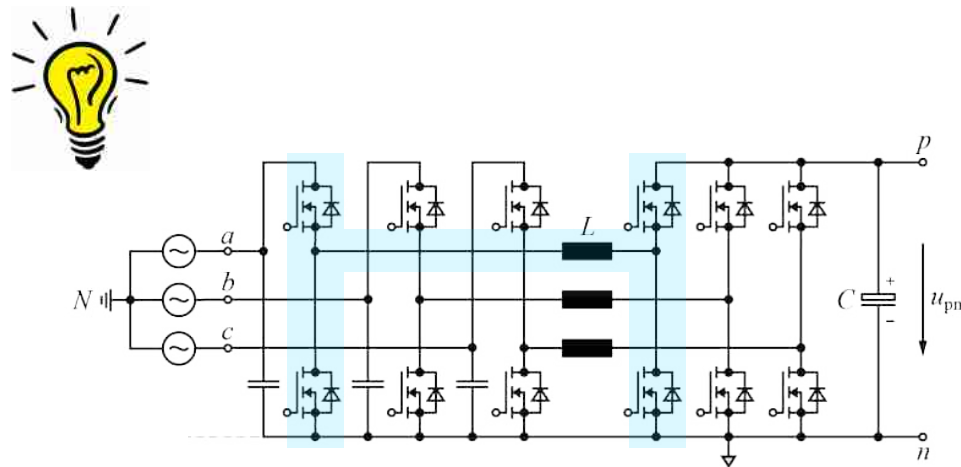
## *Y-Rectifier*

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## Y-Rectifier (1)

- *"Buck-Boost" Instead of "Boost-Buck" Phase Modules*
- No Intermediate DC Link Voltages → Intermediate DC Link Currents

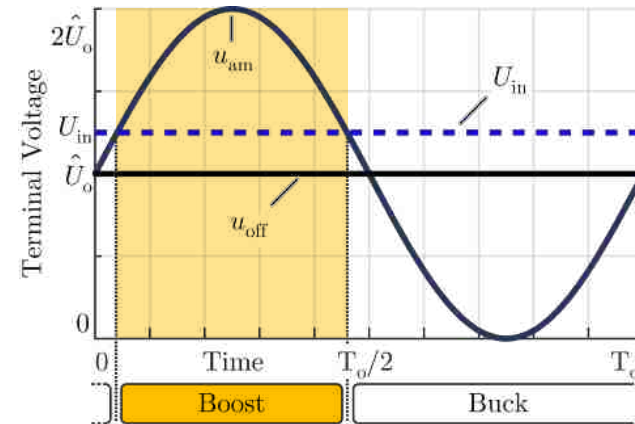
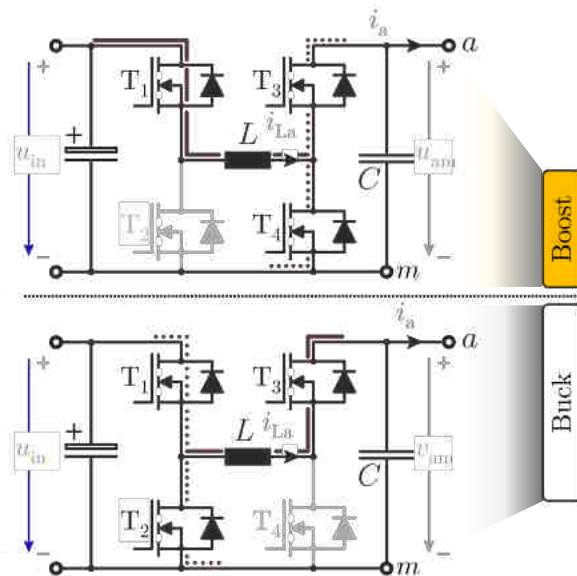


- ▶ Low Number of Ind. Components
- ▶ Converter Integrated Filter Inductors

- High Power Density
- Continuous Input/Output Voltages

## Y-Rectifier (2)

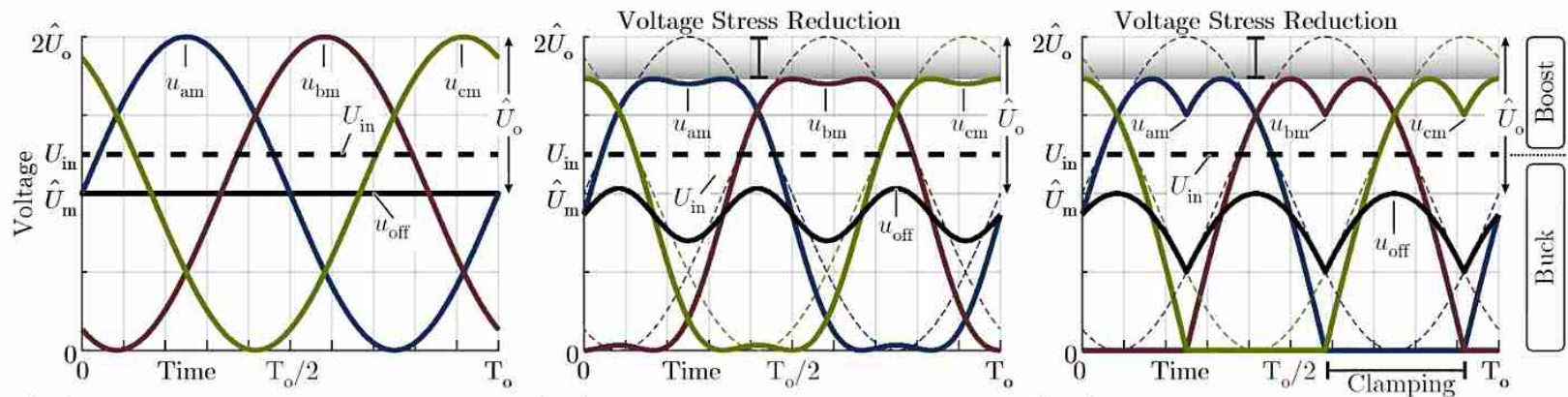
- Clamping of Boost or Buck Bridge Leg → Low Switching Losses



- ▶ Seamless Transition between Boost- & Buck-Mode → “Democratic” Control
- ▶ Improved Modulation Schemes Applicable → Only 2-of-6 Bridges-Legs switched

## Y-Rectifier (3)

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



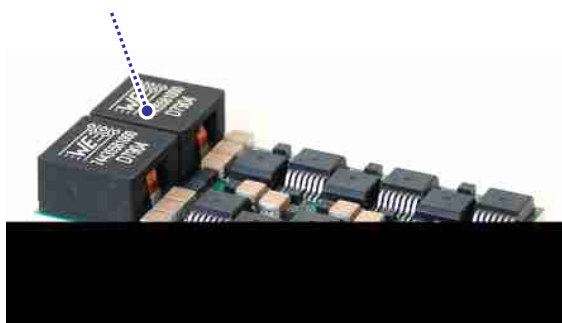
- ▶ **Adv. of Reduced Output Voltage Amplitude & Reduction of Sw. Losses**
- ▶ **Demonstrator Realized as Variable-Speed Drive**



## Y-Inverter Demonstrator

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

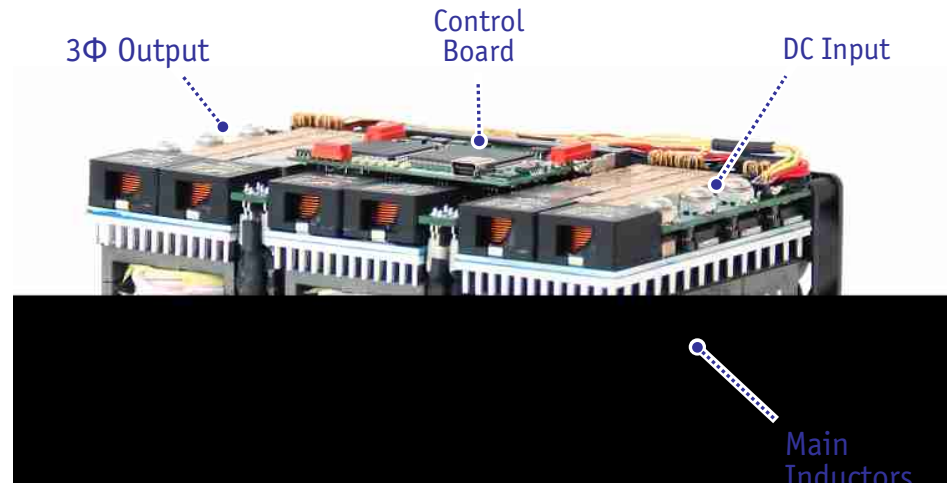
Output Filter  
Inductors



3 $\Phi$  Output

Control  
Board

DC Input



Main  
Inductors

■ **Dimensions**  $\rightarrow 160 \times 110 \times 42 \text{ mm}^3$  (**15kW/dm<sup>3</sup>**, **245W/in<sup>3</sup>**)

## Conclusions

- Several *"SWISS Knife"* PFC Rectifier Topologies
  - Wide Input / Output Voltage Range
  - Bidirectional Power Transfer
  - Standard Building Blocks / Modular
  - High Efficiency
  - High Power Density
  - Low Complexity

## Further Improvements

- Isolated Topologies
  - Not Discussed here
- Higher Number of Levels? (Flying Cap. Converter)
  - Higher Complexity
  - Lower Reliability?

**Thank You !**





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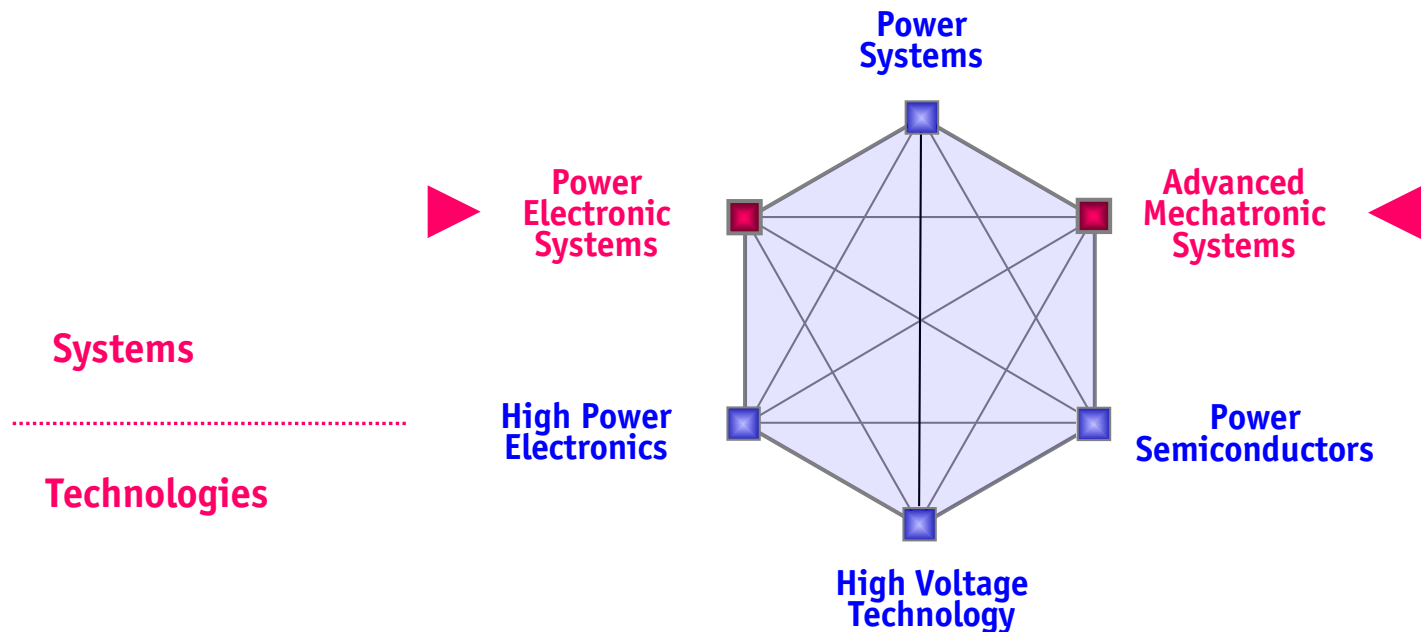
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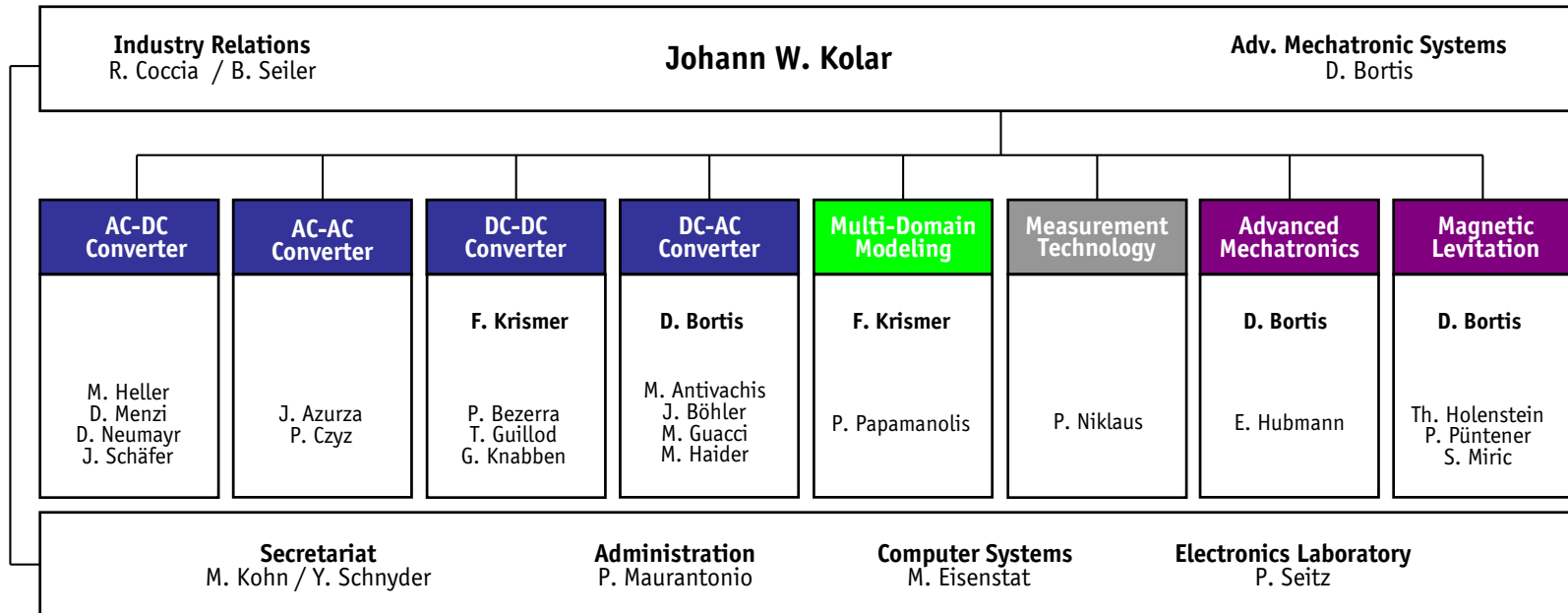
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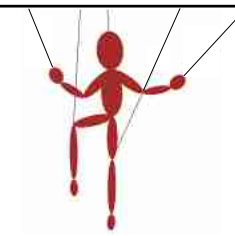
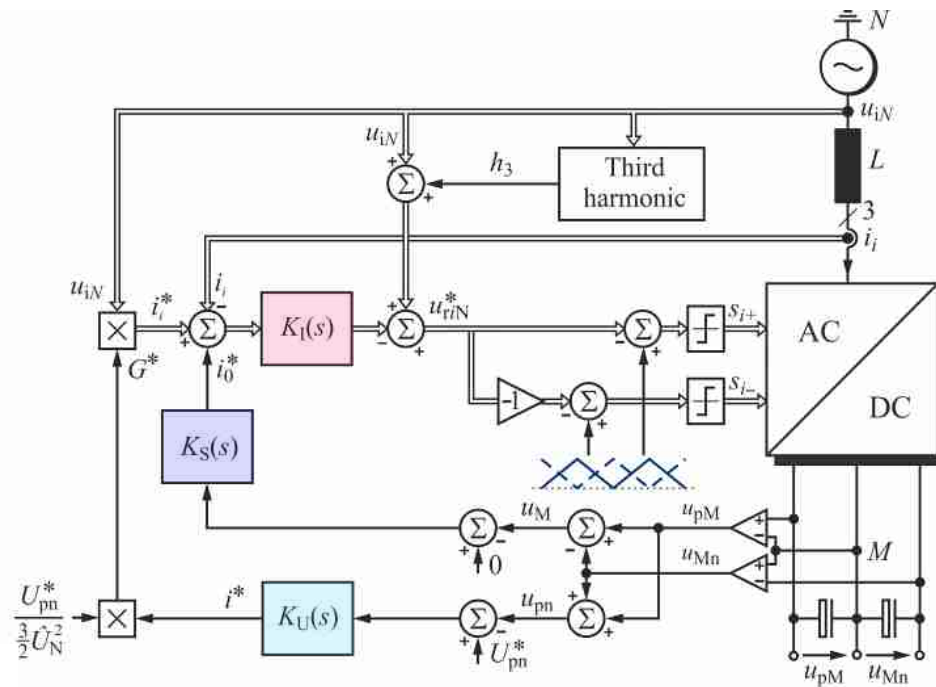
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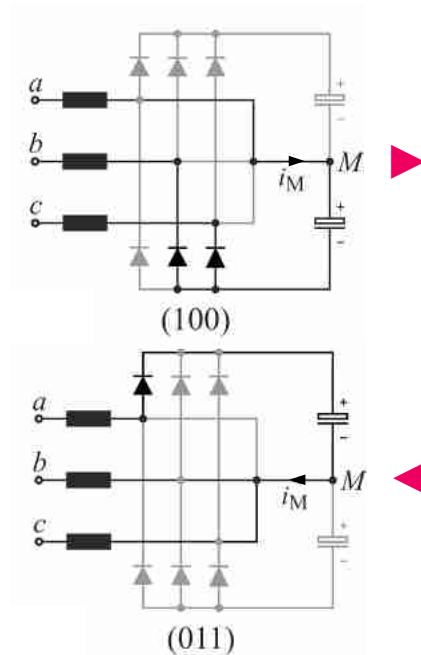
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## Vienna Rectifier (5)

- *Output Voltage Control / Inner Mains Current Control*
- Add. Control Loop for DC Midpoint Balancing
- Redundant Sw. States Utilized for DC Midpoint Balancing



$$i_a > 0, i_b < 0, i_c < 0$$

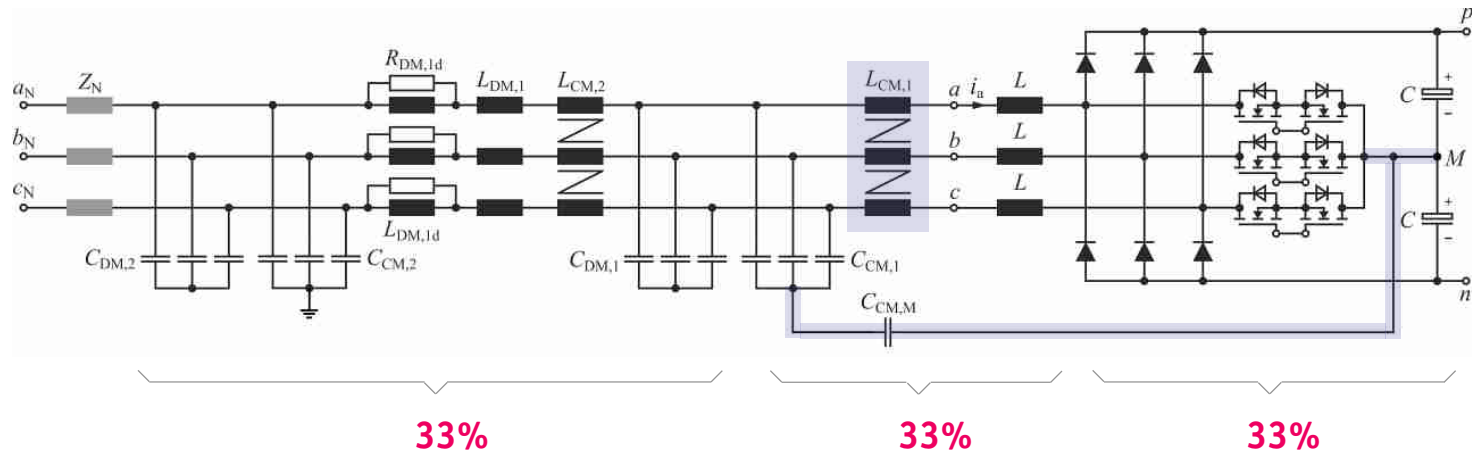


- ## ► Multi-Stage Diff. Mode & Common Mode *EMI* Filter



## Vienna Rectifier (6)

- *CM EMI Filtering Utilizing Internal Cap. Connection to Virtual Star Point*
- No Limit of CM Capacitance by Max. Leakage Current
- CM Filter Stage(s) on DC-Side as Alternative



- Number of Filter Stages Dependent on Sw. Frequency

## Vienna Rectifier (7)

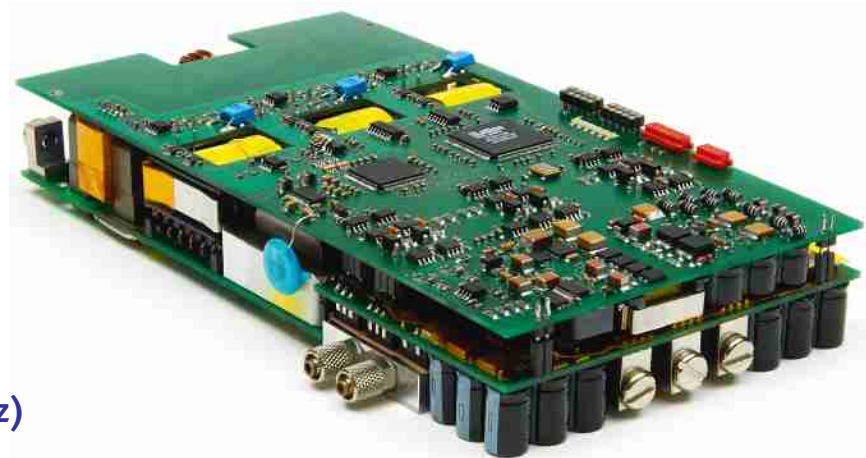
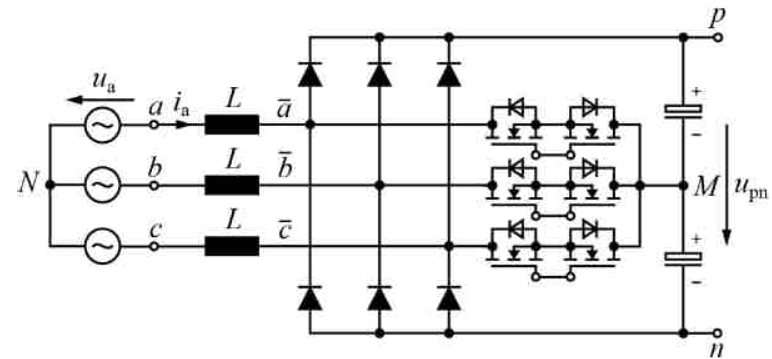
- Highly-Compact Demonstrator System
- CoolMOS & SiC Diodes
- Coldplate Cooling

$$\begin{aligned}
 P_o &= 10 \text{ kW} \\
 U_N &= 400\text{V}_{\text{AC}} \pm 10\% \\
 f_N &= 50\text{Hz or } 360 \dots 800\text{Hz} \\
 U_o &= 800\text{V}_{\text{DC}}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\eta = 96.8\%$$

$$\star \rho = 10 \text{ kW/dm}^3$$

$$\blacktriangleright THD_i = 1.6\% @ f_N = 800\text{Hz} (f_p = 250\text{kHz})$$



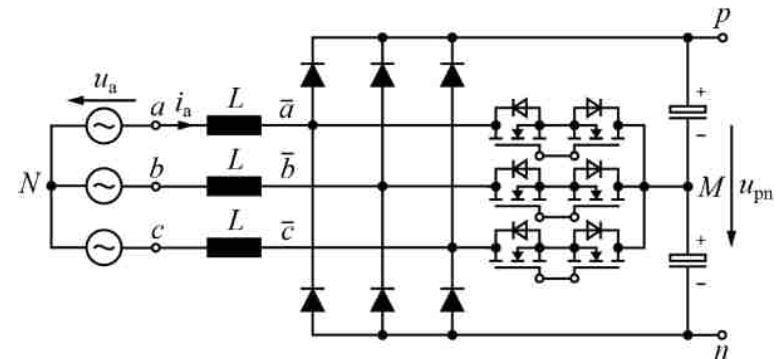
## Vienna Rectifier (8)

- Highly-Compact Demonstrator System
- CoolMOS & SiC Diodes
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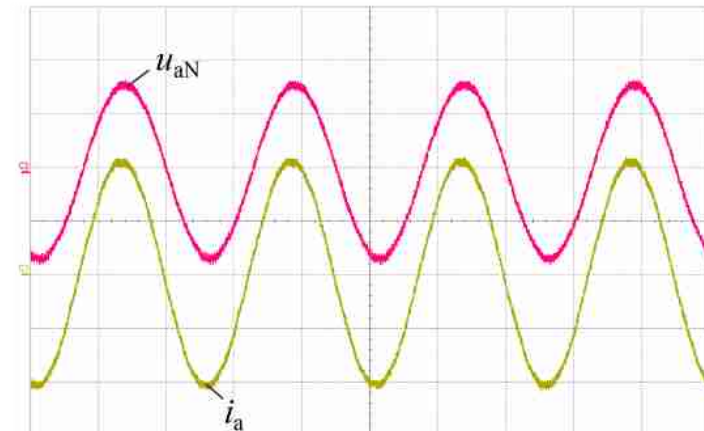
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- $THD_i = 1.6\%$  @  $f_N = 800\text{Hz}$
- System Allows 2- $\Phi$  Operation



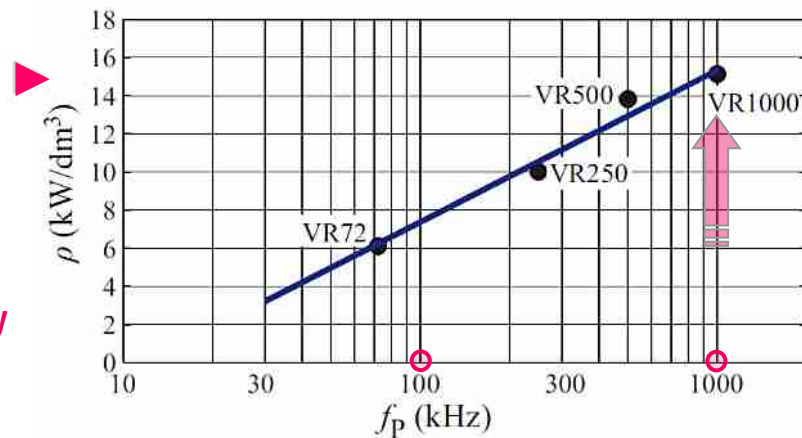
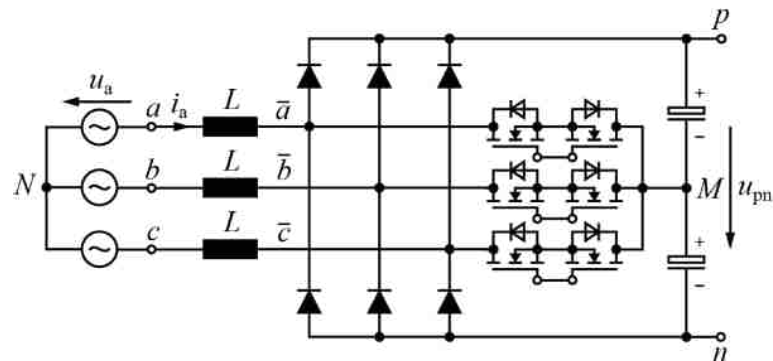
10A/Div  
200V/Div  
0.5ms/Div



## Vienna Rectifier (9)

- Dependency of Power Density on Sw. Frequency  $f_p$
- **CoolMOS & SiC Diodes**
- Coldplate Cooling

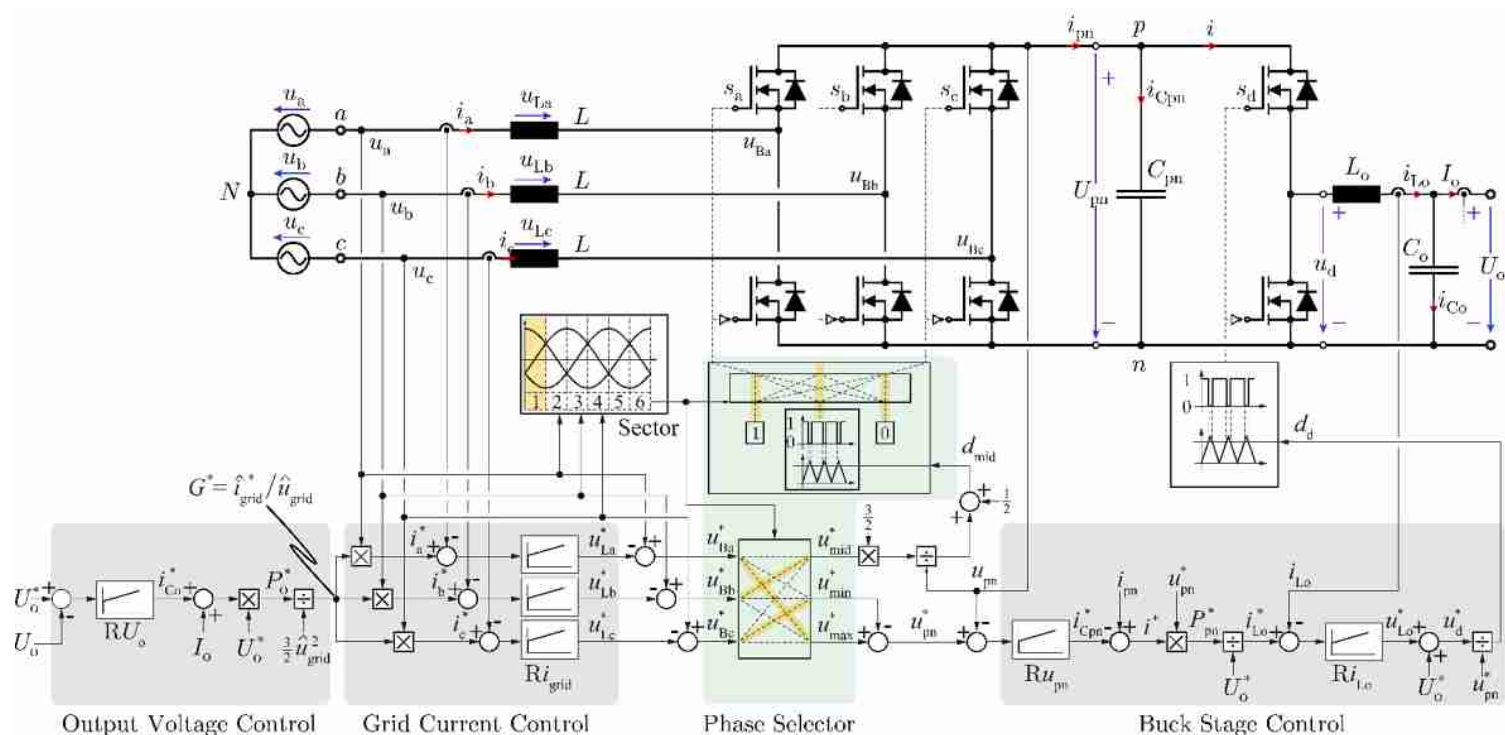
$$\begin{aligned}
 P_o &= 10 \text{ kW} \\
 U_N &= 230V_{AC} \pm 10\% \\
 f_N &= 50\text{Hz or } 360 \dots 800\text{Hz} \\
 U_o &= 800V_{DC}
 \end{aligned}$$



- **Factor 10 in  $f_p \rightarrow$  Factor 2 in Power Density**
- **Systems with  $f_p = 72/250/500/1000\text{kHz}$**

# 1-of-3 PWM Boost+Buck Rectifier

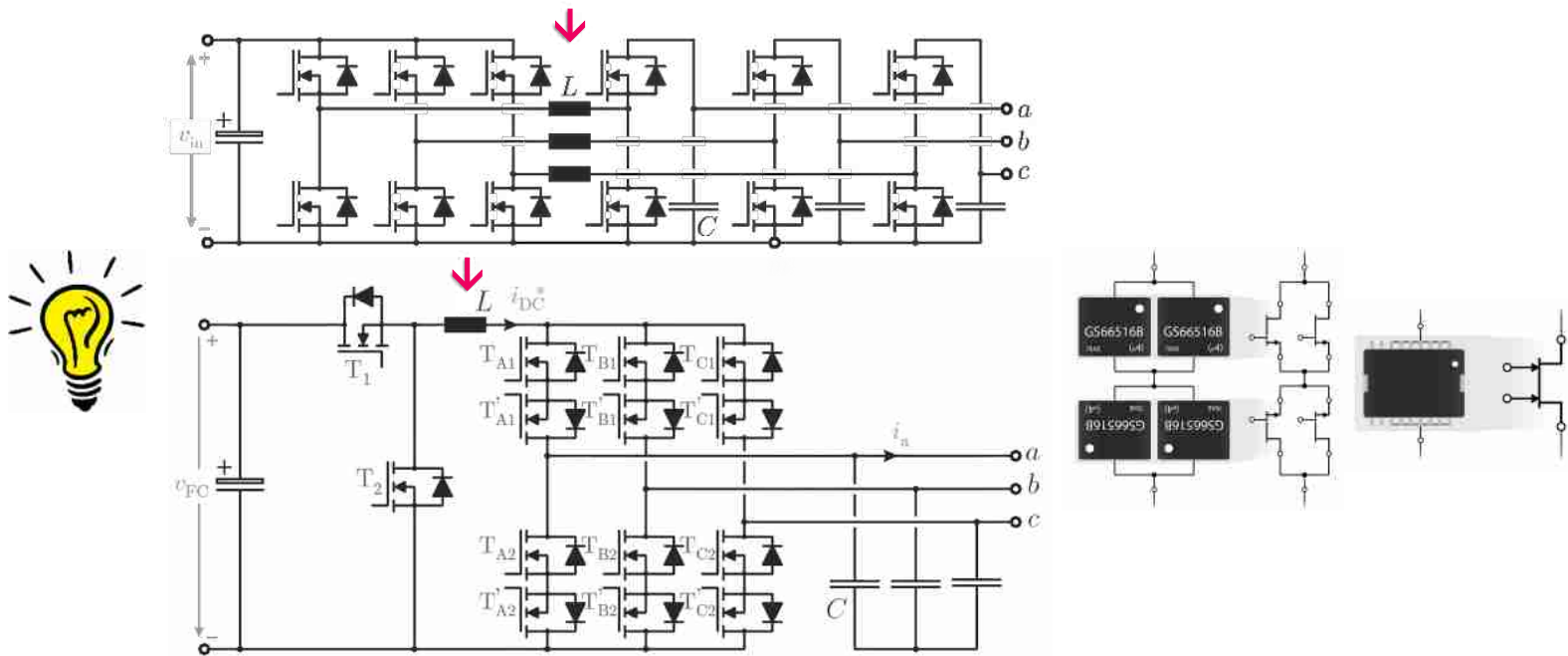
- Outer *Output Voltage Control Loop* and Inner *Input Current Control Loop*
- Only Phase Selector Block to be introduced → Applicable to Existing Systems



► Option → Operation as *Conv. Boost-Type Const. DC-Link Voltage* PWM Rectifier

## ► Current Source Inverter (CSI) Topologies

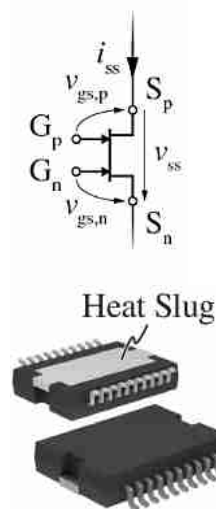
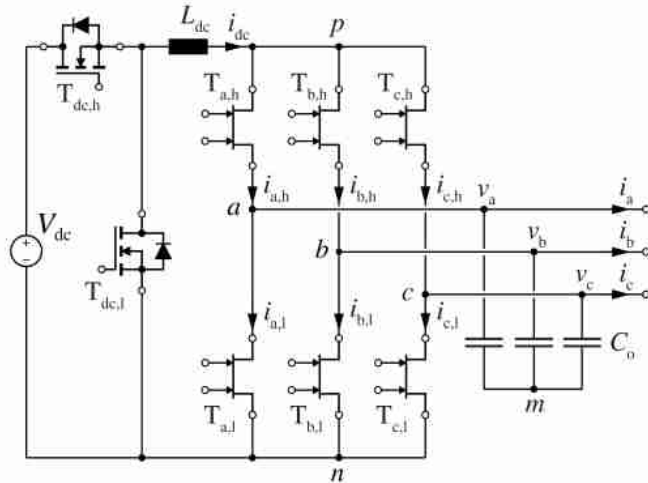
- Phase Modular Concept → **Y-Inverter** (Buck-Stage / Current Link / Boost-Stage)
- 3- $\Phi$  Integrated Concept → **Buck-Stage & Current DC Link Inverter**



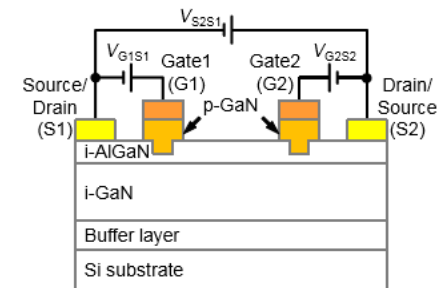
→ **Low Number of Ind. Components** & **Utilization of Bidir. GaN Semicond. Technology**

## ► 3- $\Phi$ –Integrated Buck-Boost CSI (1)

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



Source: **Panasonic**  
Ideas for life

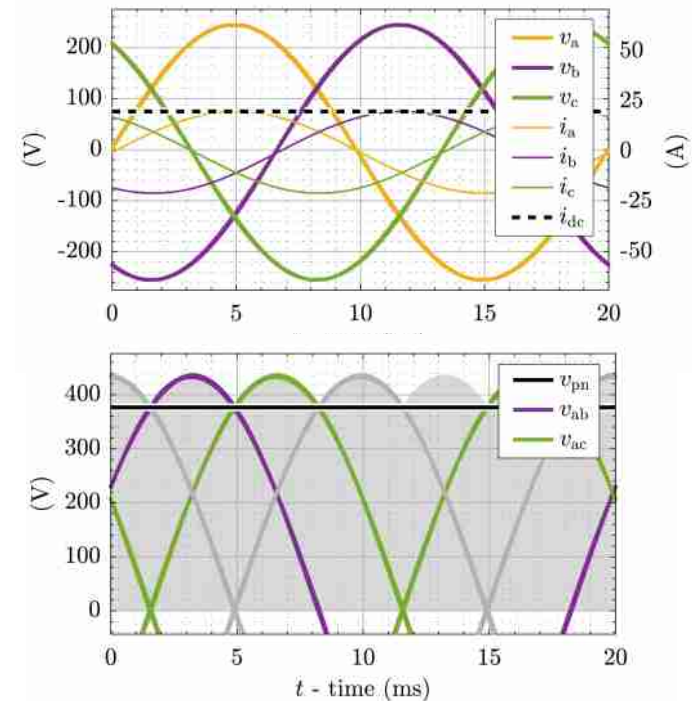
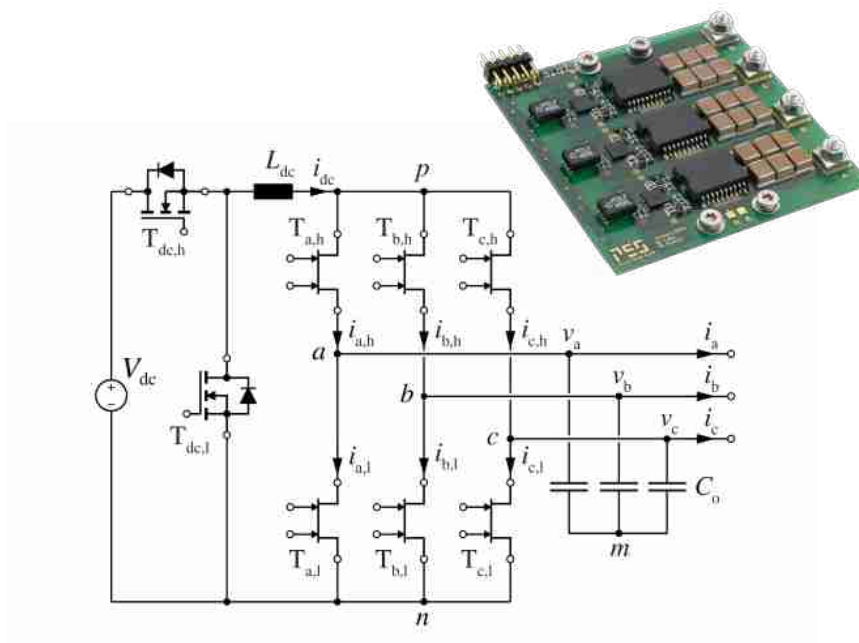


- $\rightarrow$  **Monol. GaN Switches  $\rightarrow$  Factor 4 Improvement in Chip Area Comp. to Discrete Realiz.**
- $\rightarrow$  **Also Beneficial for Matrix Converter Topologies**



## ► 3- $\Phi$ –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**

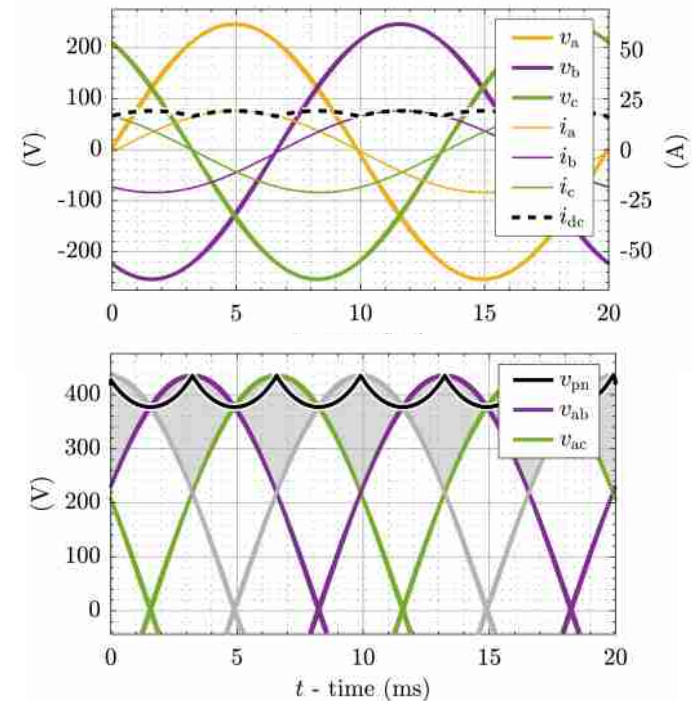
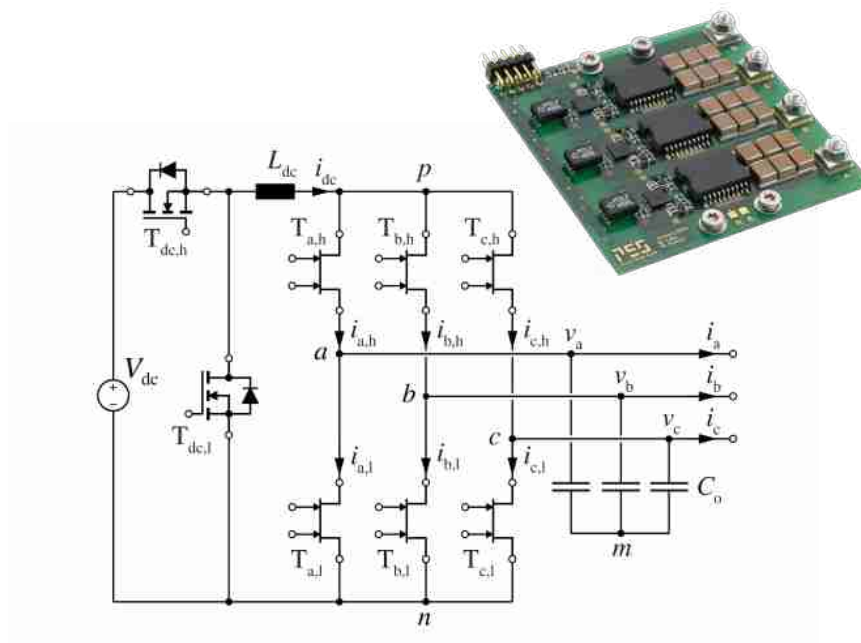


→ “Synergetic Control” of Buck & Inverter Stage for Red. of Sw. Losses



## ► 3- $\Phi$ –Integrated Buck-Boost CSI (3)

- **Monolithic Bidir. Bipolar GaN Switches Featuring 2 Gates / Full Controllability**
- **“Synergetic” Variable DC Current Control of Buck Stage & Inverter Stage Clamping**

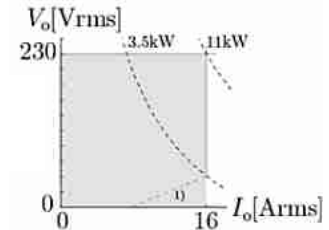
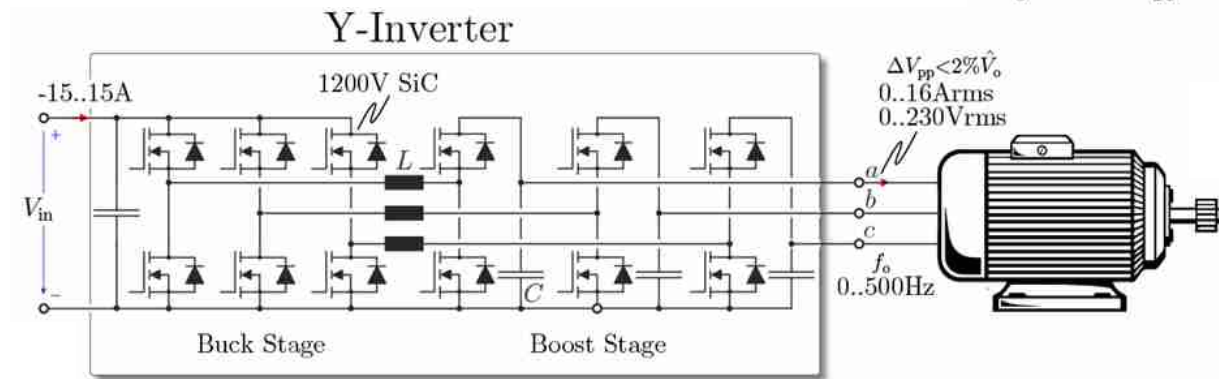
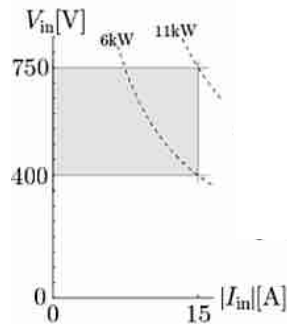


→ **Experimental Analysis in Progress (Upcoming Publication @ PEDG 2019)**

## ► Y-Inverter Prototype (a)

### • Demonstrator Specifications

- Wide Input Voltage Range → 400...750V<sub>DC</sub>
- 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)

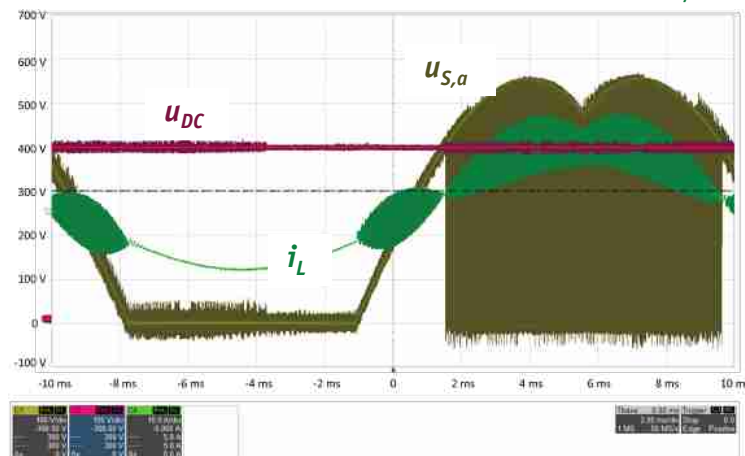
## ► Y-Inverter Prototype (c)

### • Measurement Results

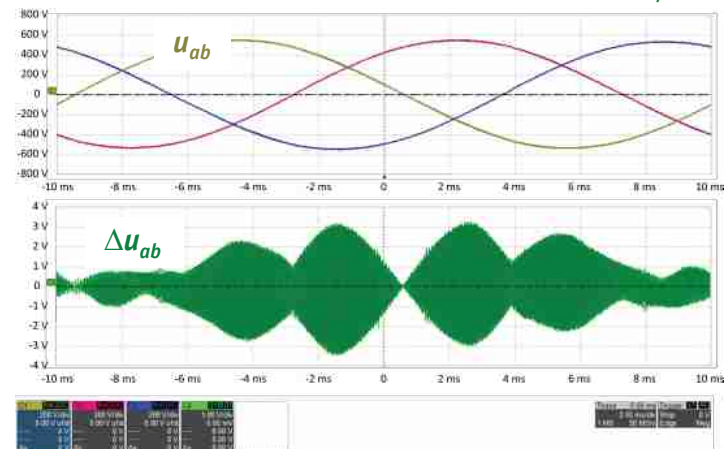
$U_{DC} = 400V$   
 $U_{AC} = 400V_{rms}$  (Motor Line-to-Line Voltage)  
 $f_0 = 50Hz$   
 $f_s = 100kHz$  / DPWM

$P = 6.5kW$

100V/div  
10A/div



200V/div  
1V/div

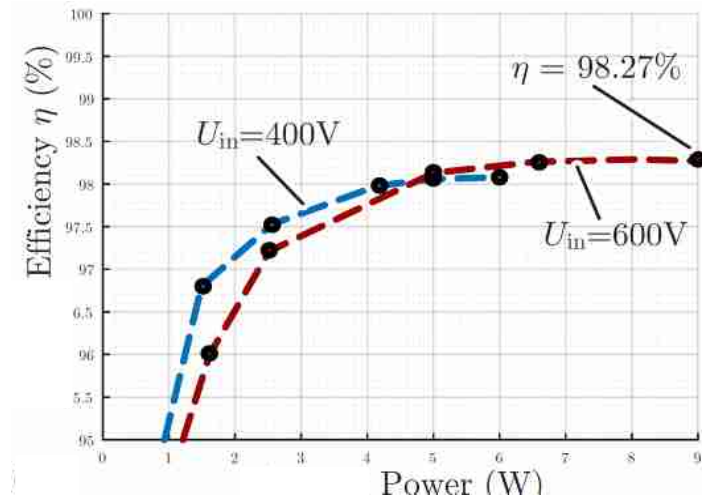
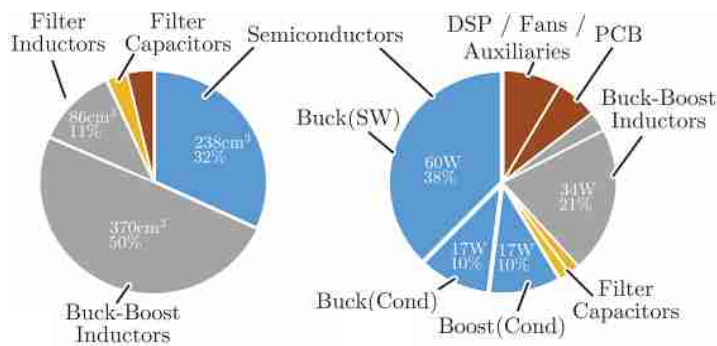


→ Line-to-Line Output Voltage Ripple < 3.2V

## ► Y-Inverter Prototype (d)

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

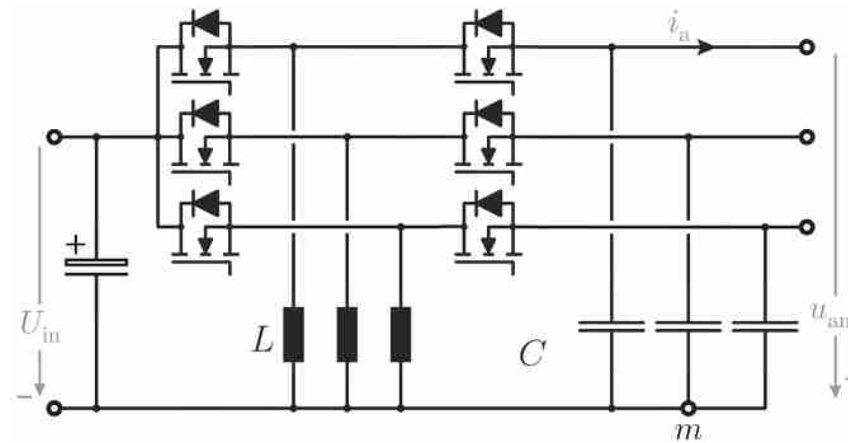
$$\begin{aligned} U_{DC} &= 400\text{V} / 600\text{V} \\ U_{AC} &= 230\text{V}_{\text{rms}} \text{ (Motor Phase Voltage, rms)} \\ f_s &= 100\text{kHz} \end{aligned}$$



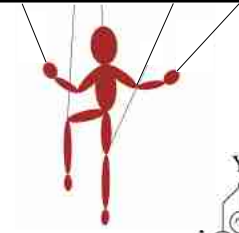
→ Multi-Level Bridge Leg Structure for Ind. Comp. Volume Reduction

## ► *Alternative Topology*

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

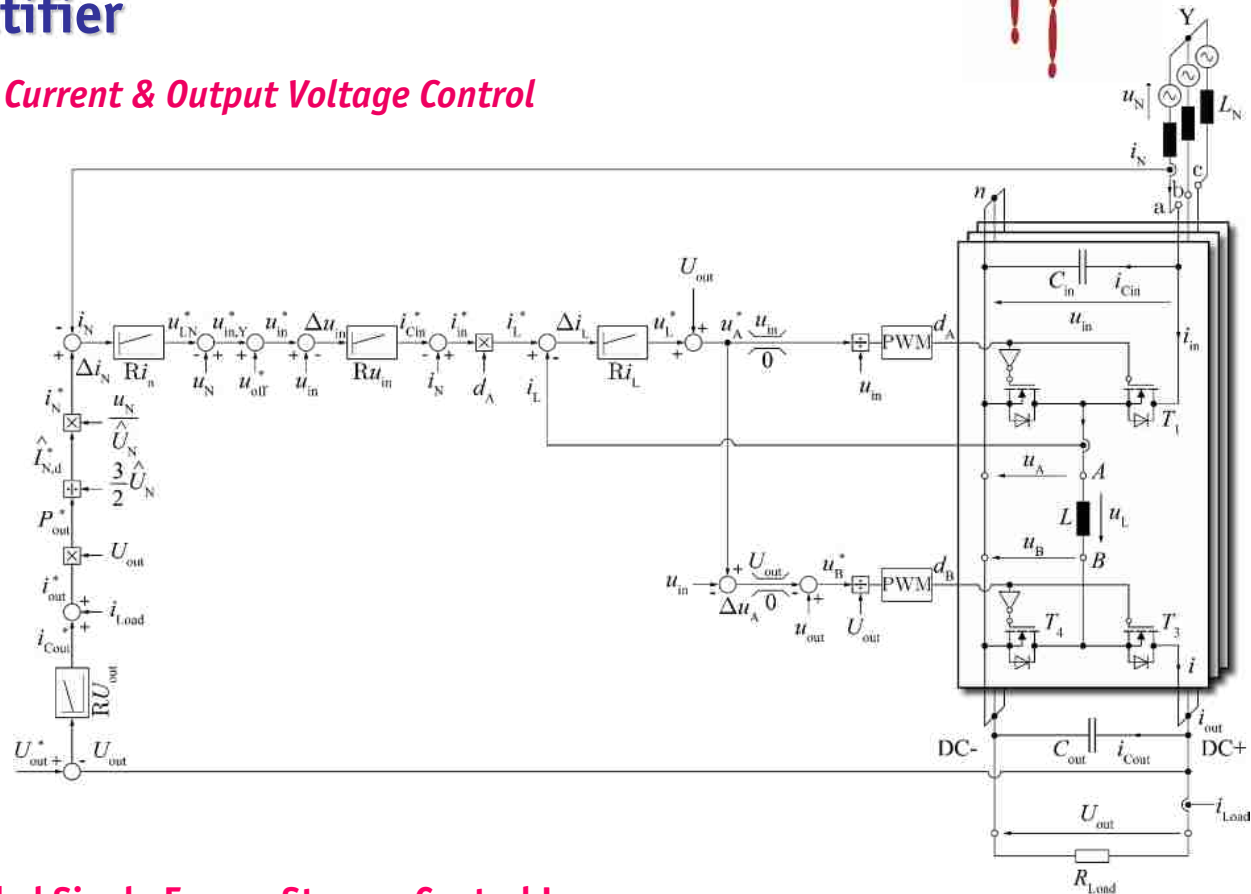


- Lower Number of Switches / Higher Component Stresses → *Low Power Applications*



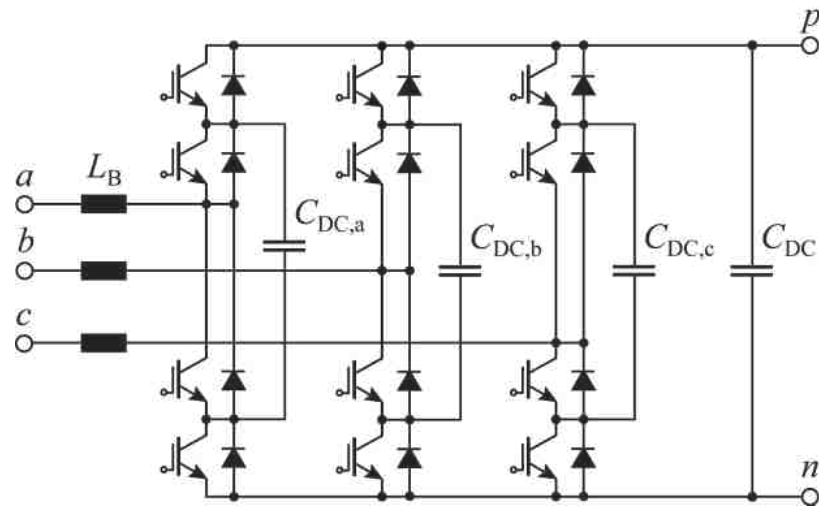
## Y - Rectifier

- **Input Current & Output Voltage Control**



- **Cascaded Single Energy Storage Control Loops**
- **Seamless Transition between Boost- & Buck-Mode → “Democratic” Control**

## ► Three-Level Flying Capacitor (FC) Boost-Type Rectifier System



- + Lower Number of Components (per Voltage Level)
- + For Three-Level Topology only Two Output Terminals
- Volume of Flying Capacitors
- No Standard Industrial Topology