

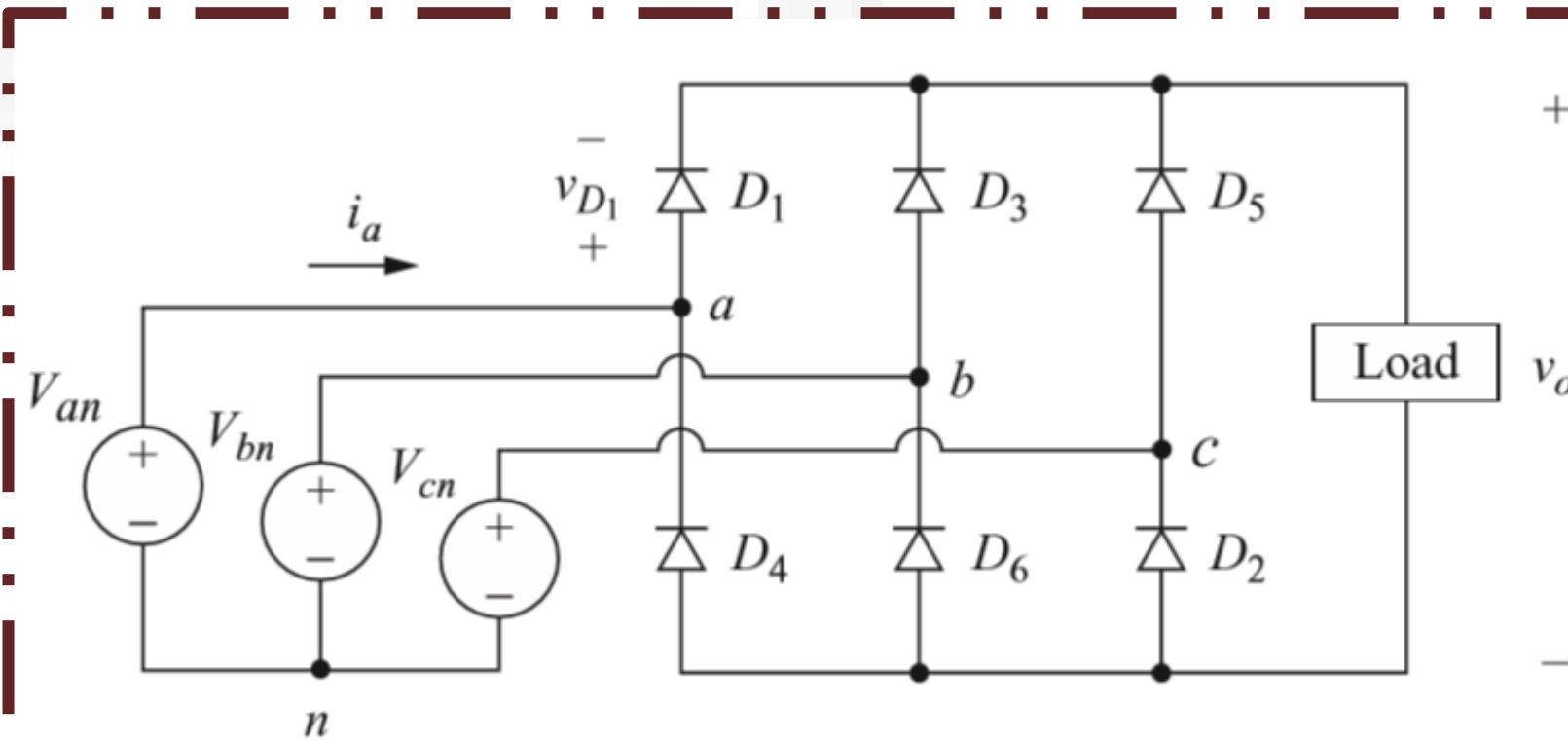


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**The Three Phase Full-Wave Uncontrolled Rectifier**  
**Üç Fazlı Tam Dalga Kontrolsüz Doğrultucular**

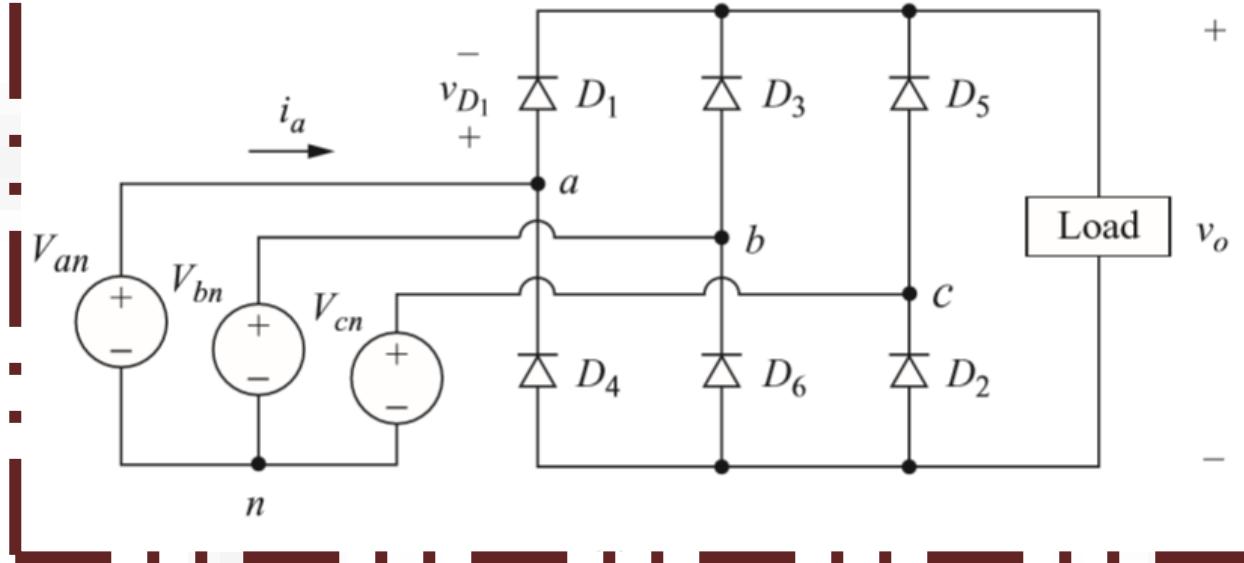
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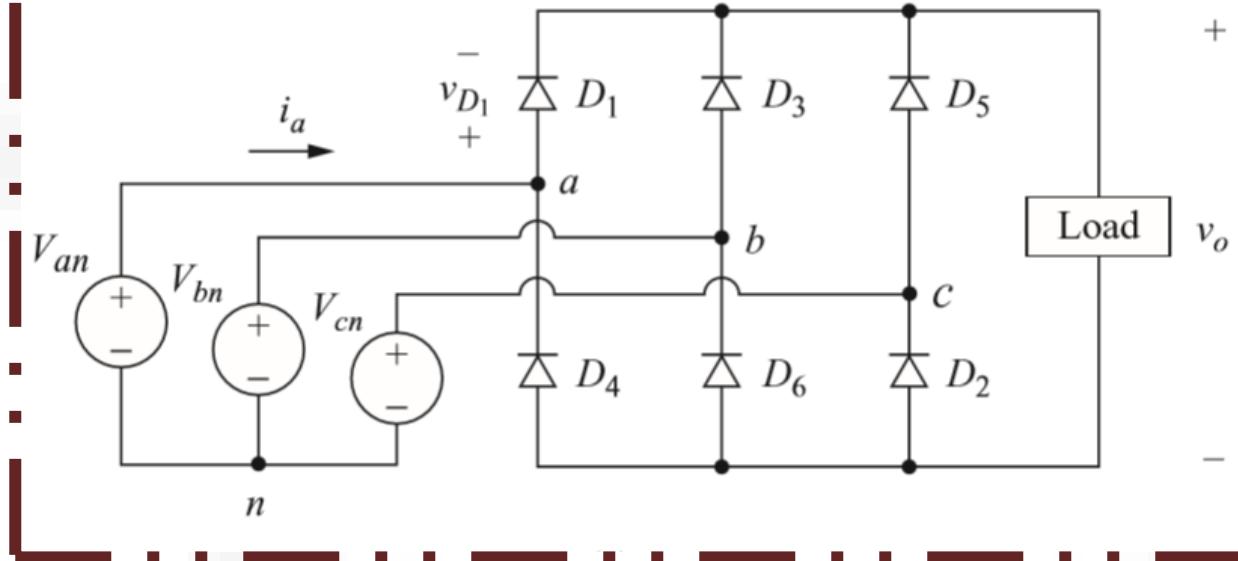
Three-phase rectifiers are commonly used in industry to produce a dc voltage and current for large loads.

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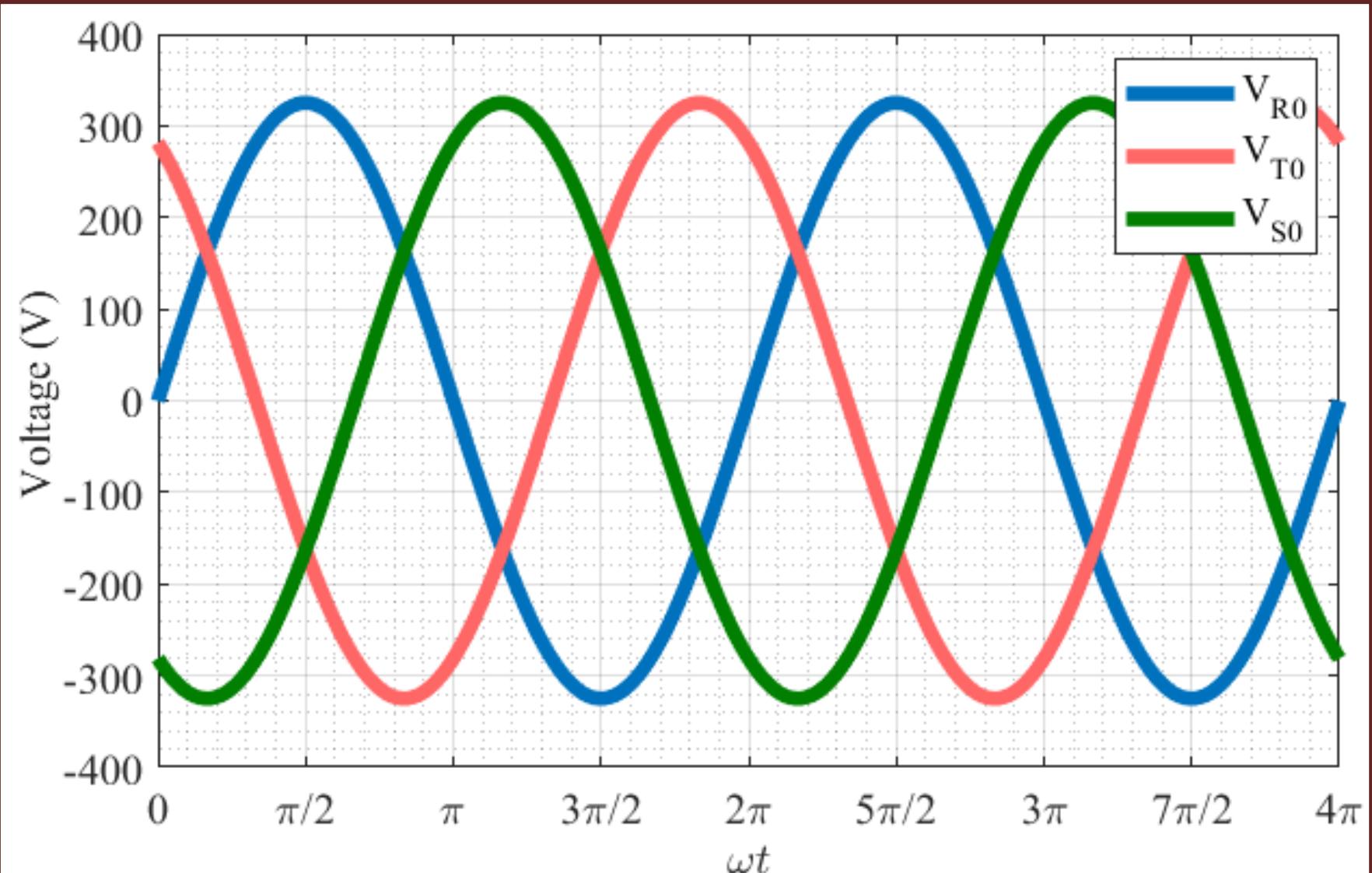
- Diode 1, 3 and 5, whichever has a more positive voltage at its anode, conducts.
- Similarly, diode 2, 4 and 6, whichever has a more negative voltage at its cathode, returns the load current.
- With the numbering of diodes as indicated above, the conduction patterns is 12-23-34-45-56-61-12 for a positive voltage sequence a-b-c.
- For the negative voltage sequence a-c-b, the pattern is 16-65-54-43-32-21-16.

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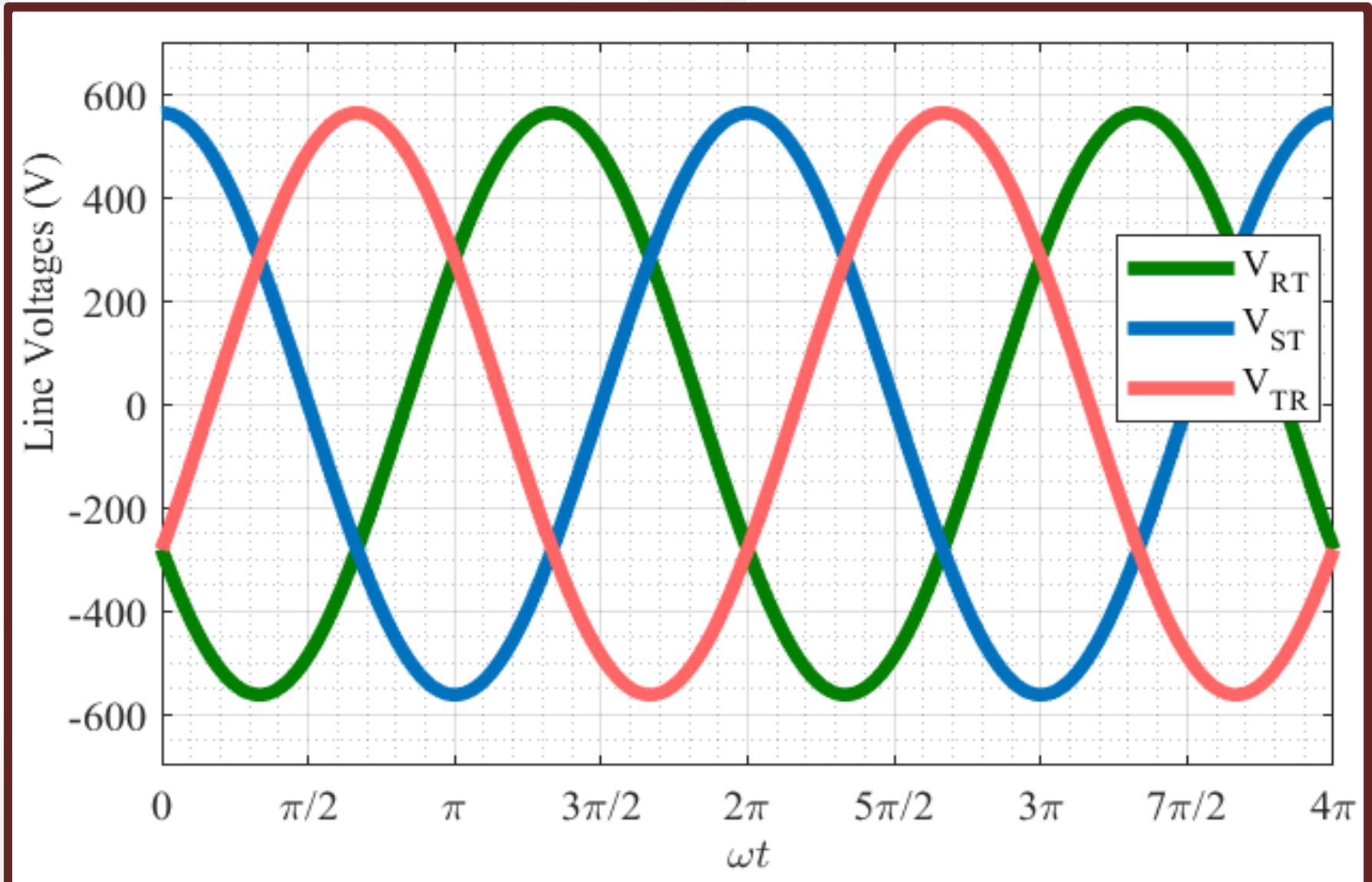


- Assuming that the load current is continuous (i.e., non zero) at all times,
- Each diode conducts for  $120^\circ$  in each cycle of the ac waveform, followed by  $240^\circ$  of non conduction.
- The supply current is bipolar, conducting for  $120^\circ$  in each half cycle, followed by  $60^\circ$  of non conduction.
- Clearly, there is no dc component in the supply current to the rectifier.

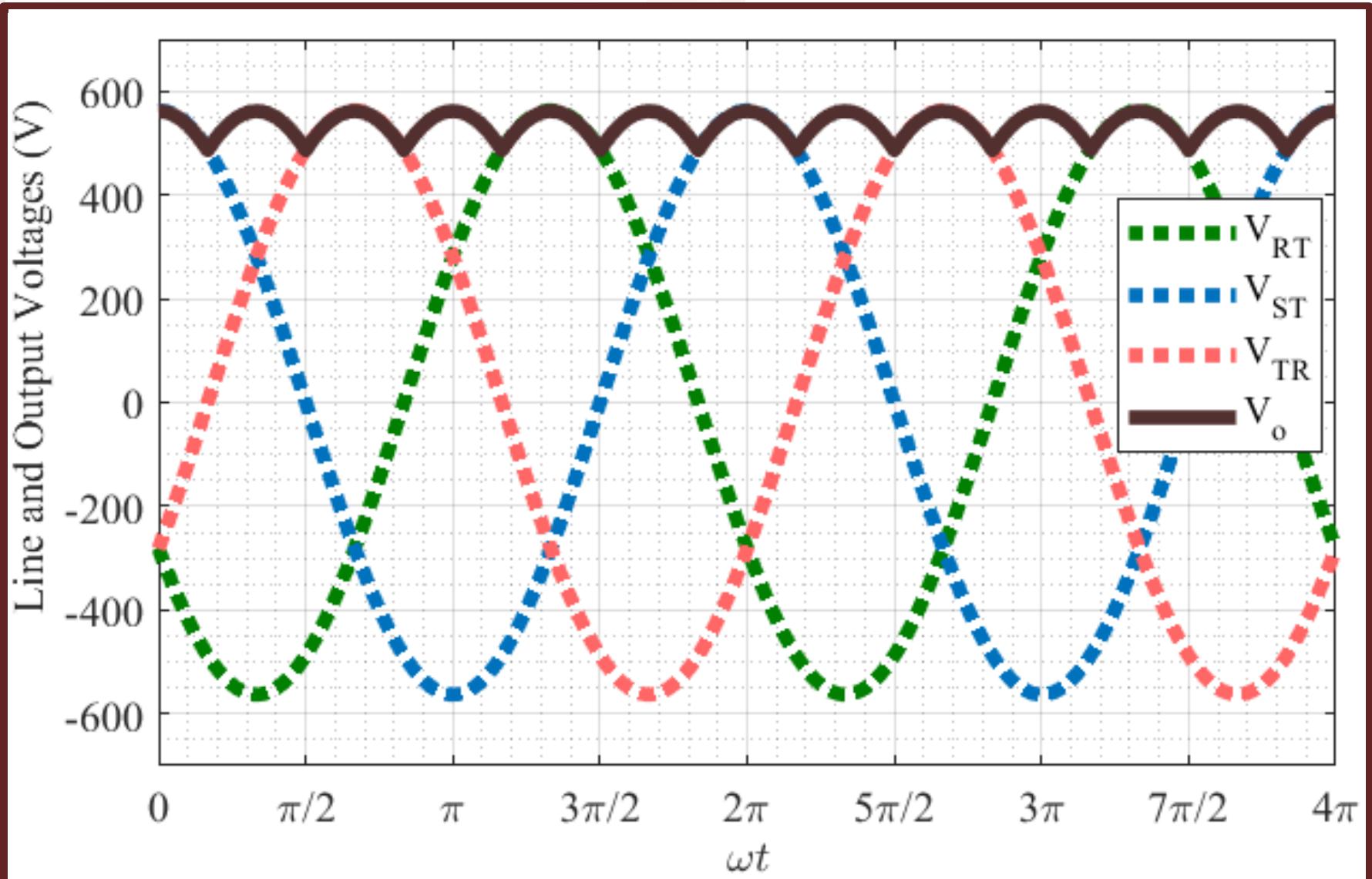
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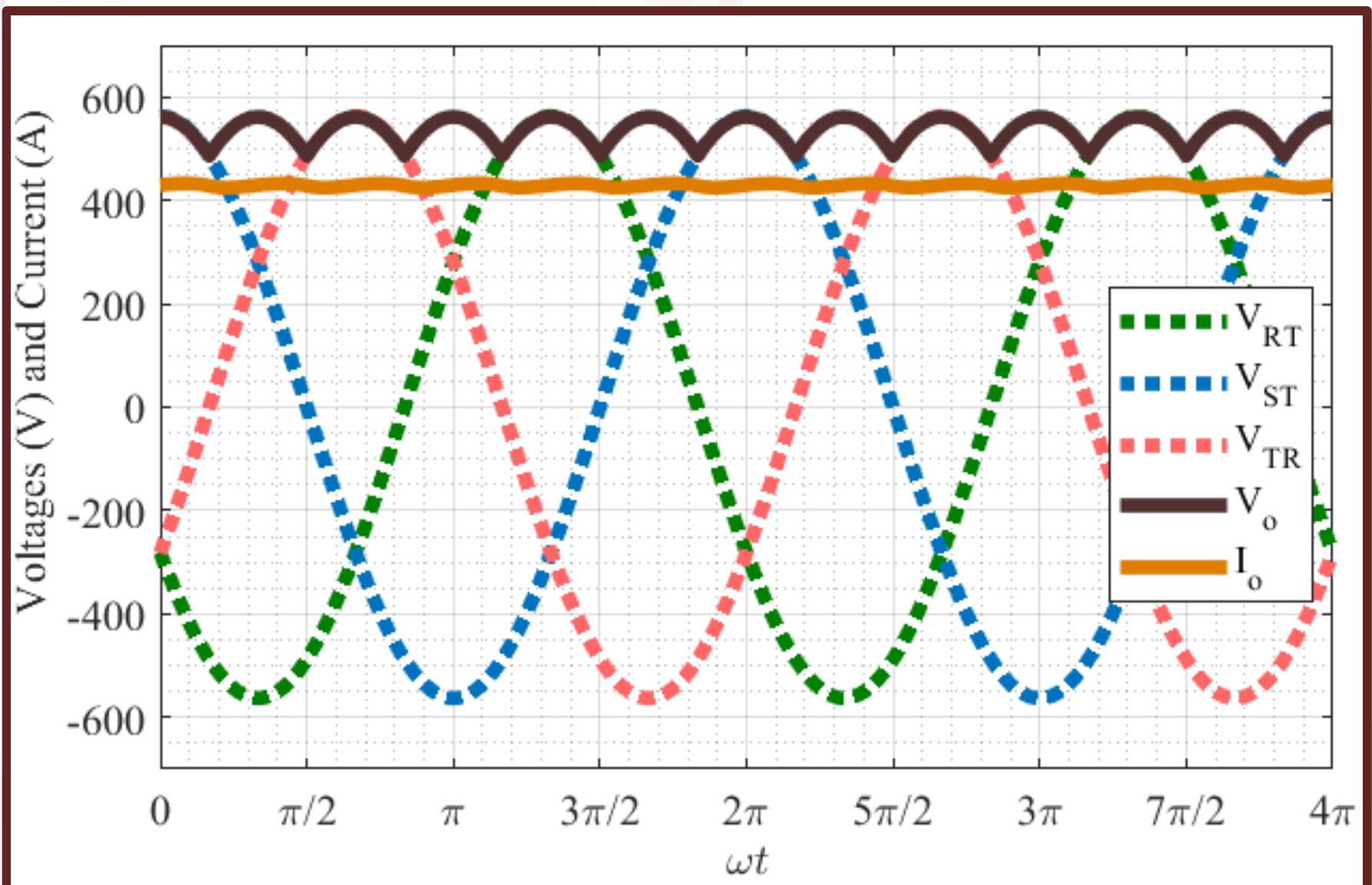
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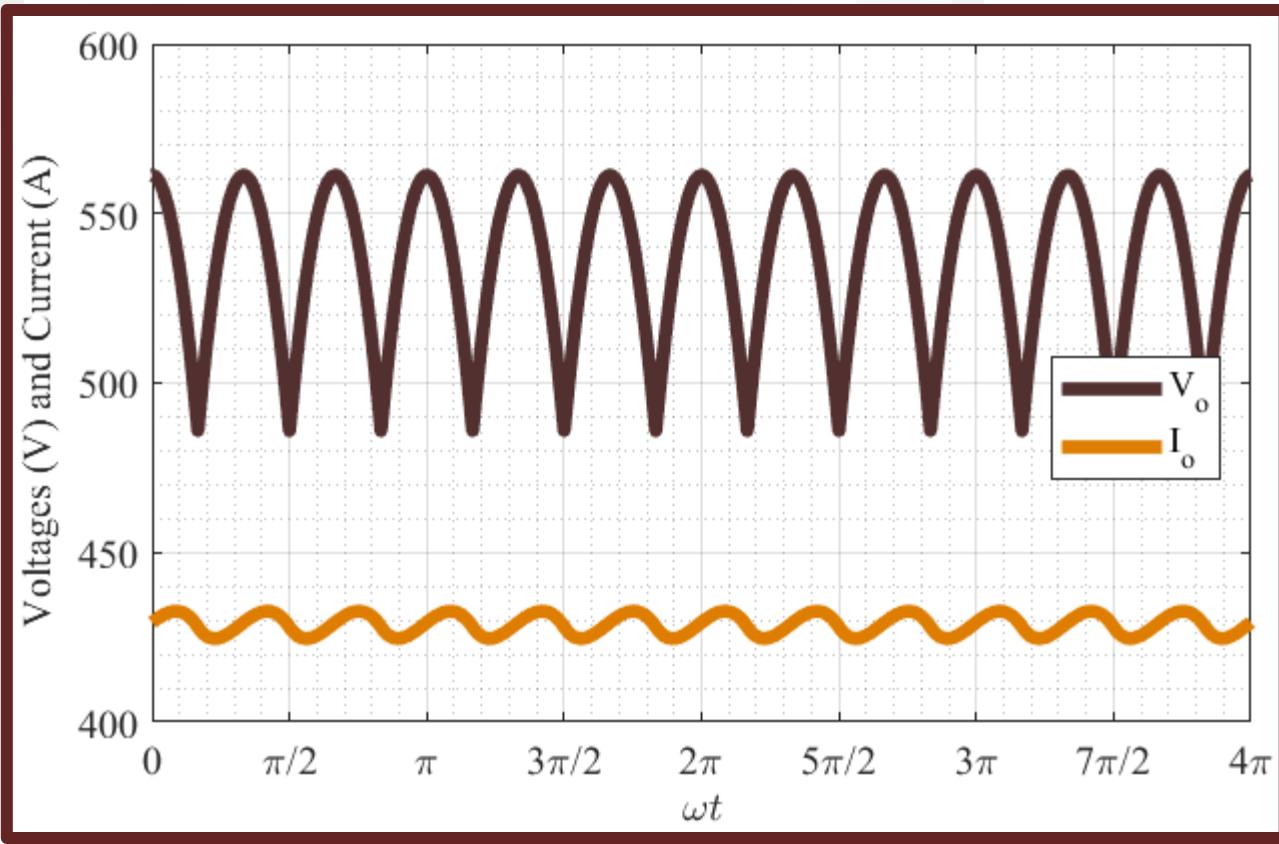


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- There are six combinations of line-to-line voltages (three phases taken two at a time).
- Considering one period of the source to be  $360^\circ$ , a transition of the highest line-to-line voltage must take place every  $360^\circ / 6 = 60^\circ$ .
- Because of the six transitions that occur for each period of the source voltage, the circuit is called a six-pulse rectifier.
- The fundamental frequency of the output voltage is 6, where is the frequency of the three-phase source.

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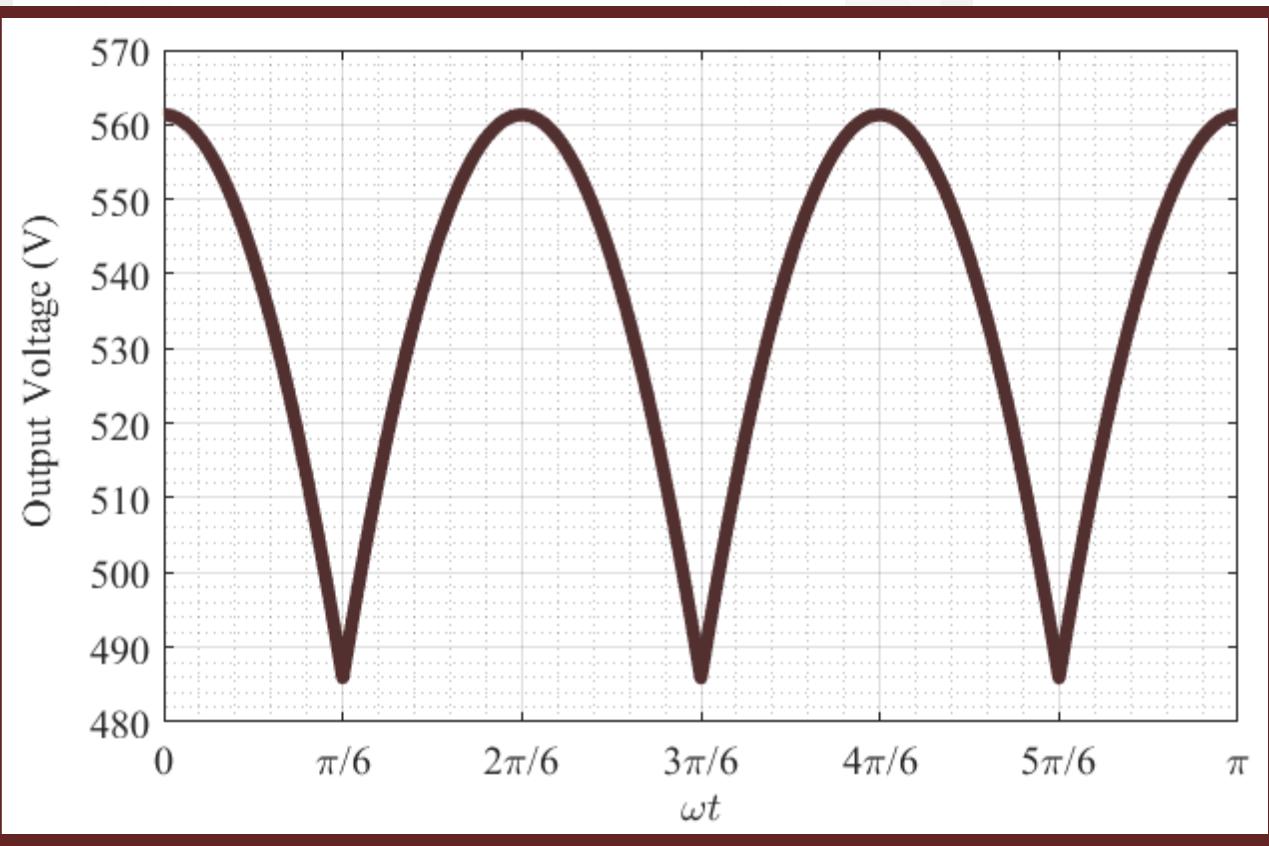
$$V_{R0} = V_m \sin(\omega t)$$

$$V_{S0} = V_m \sin(\omega t - \frac{2\pi}{3})$$

$$V_{T0} = V_m \sin(\omega t - \frac{4\pi}{3})$$

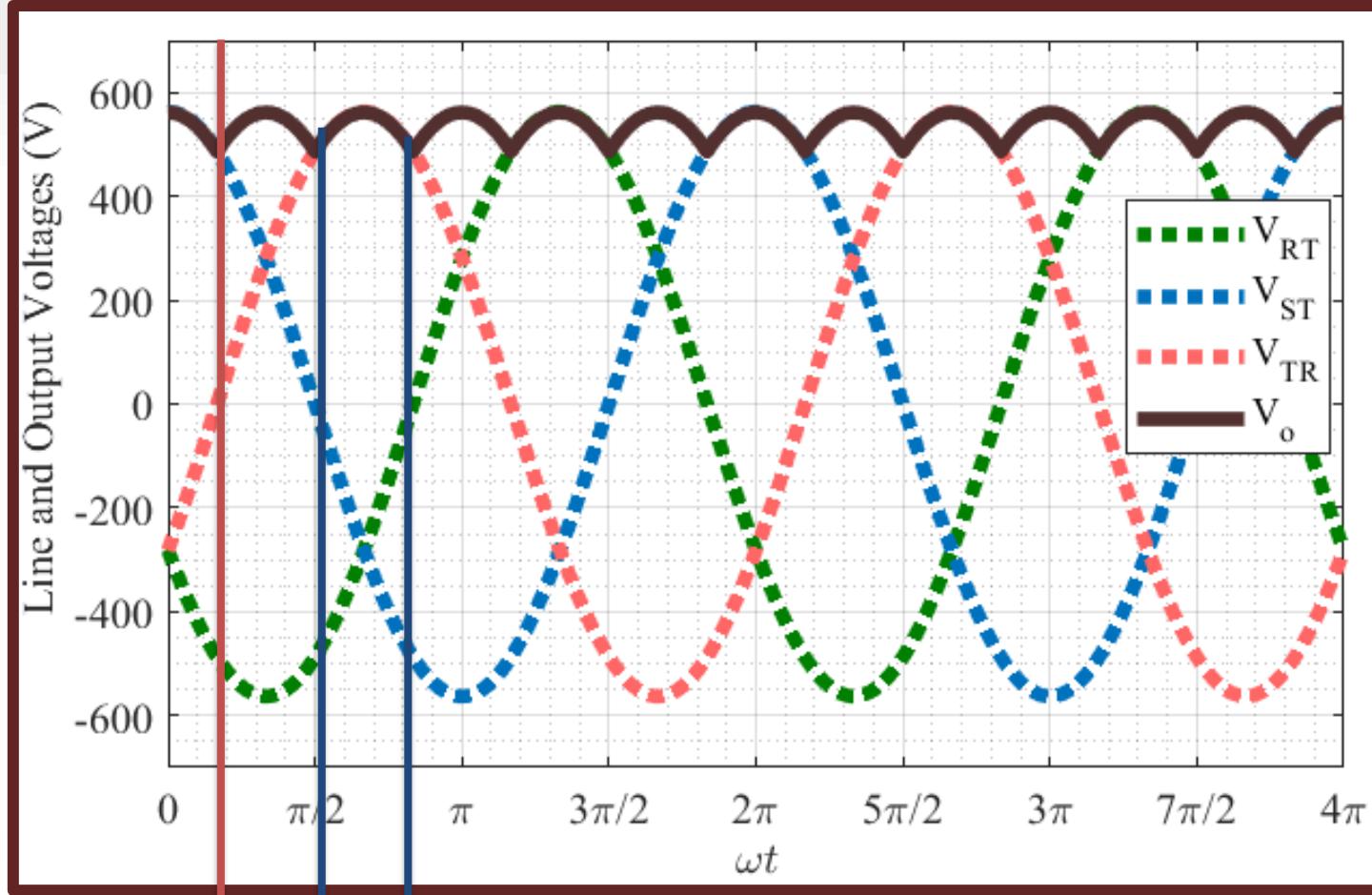
$$V_o \text{ (AVG)} = \frac{1}{\pi/3} \int_{-\pi/6}^{\pi/6} V_{m,L-L} \cos(\omega t) d(\omega t) = \frac{3V_{m,L-L}}{\pi} = \frac{3\sqrt{3}V_m}{\pi}$$

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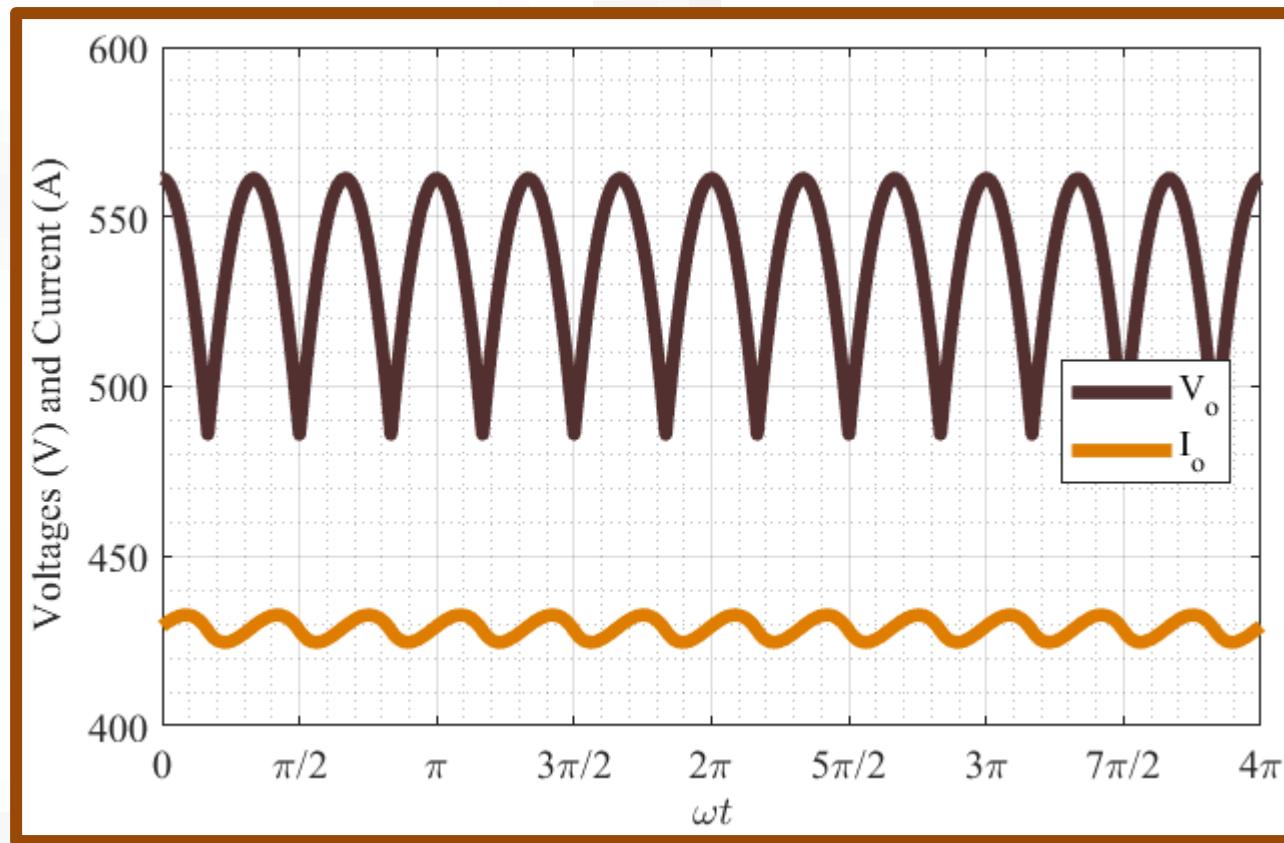
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$$V_o \text{ (AVG)} = \frac{1}{\pi/3} \int_{-\pi/3}^{2\pi/3} V_{m,L-L} \sin(\omega t) d(\omega t) = \frac{3V_{m,L-L}}{\pi} = \frac{3\sqrt{3}V_m}{\pi}$$

$$V_{dc} = V_m \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{\pi} = 1.654 V_m$$

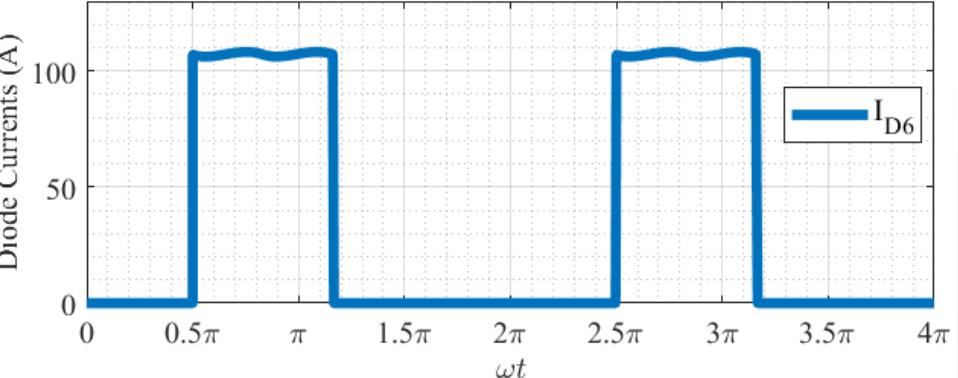
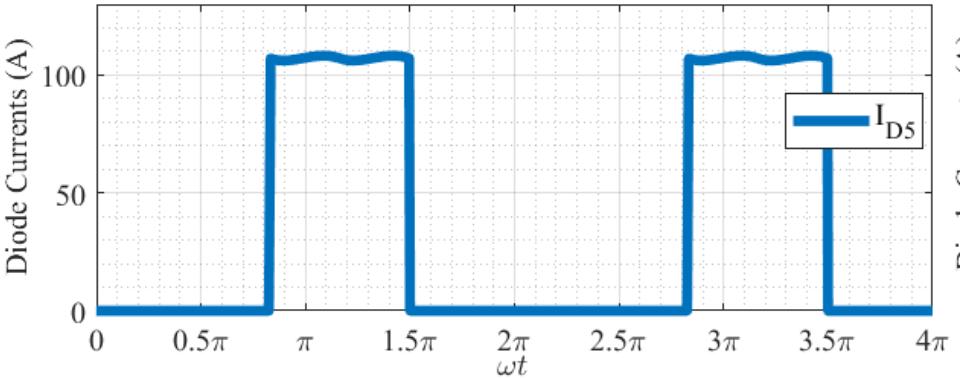
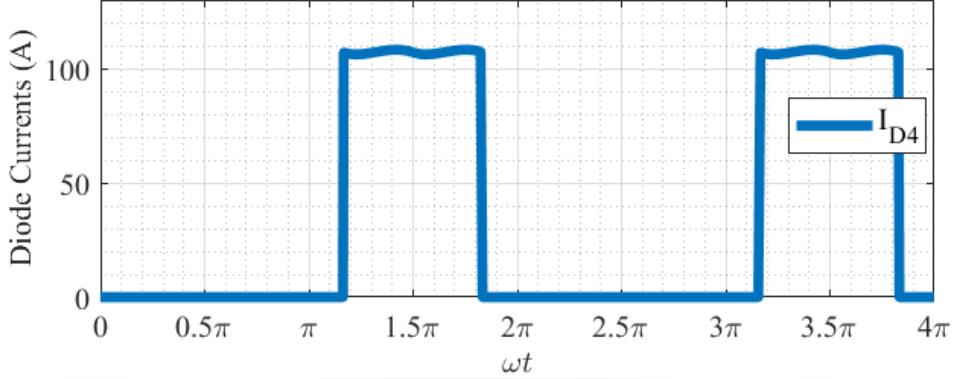
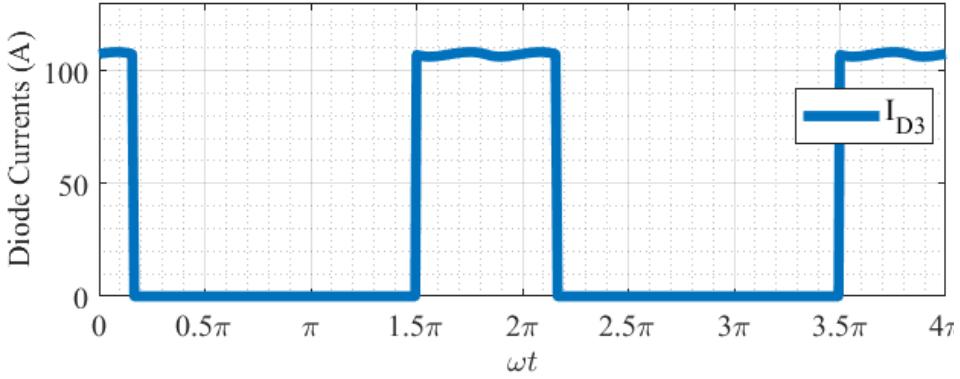
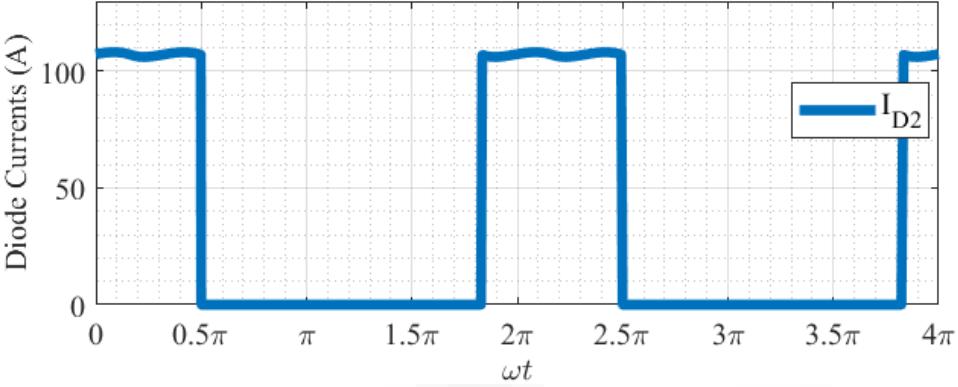
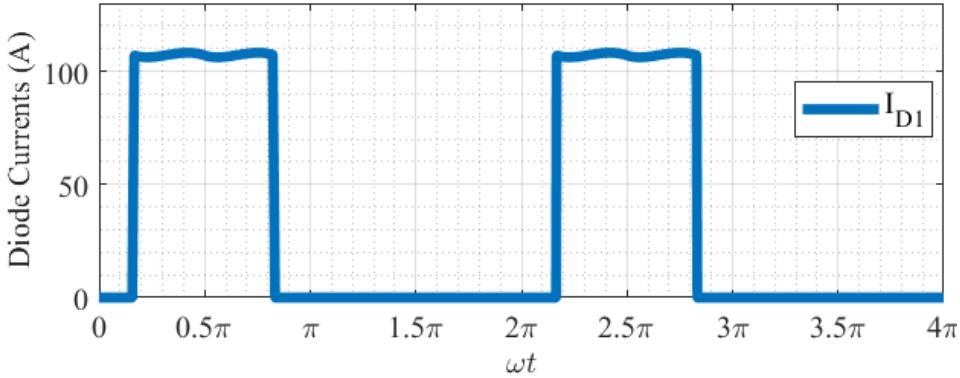
# Uncontrolled Three-phase Half-wave Rectifier



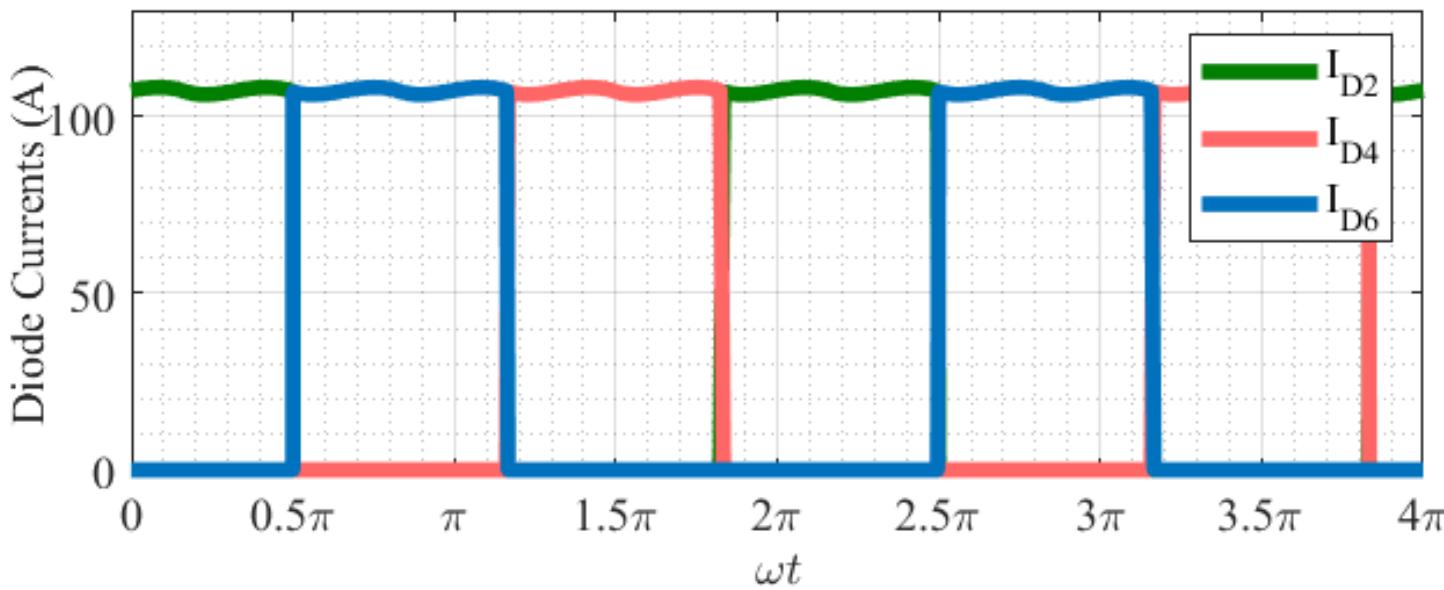
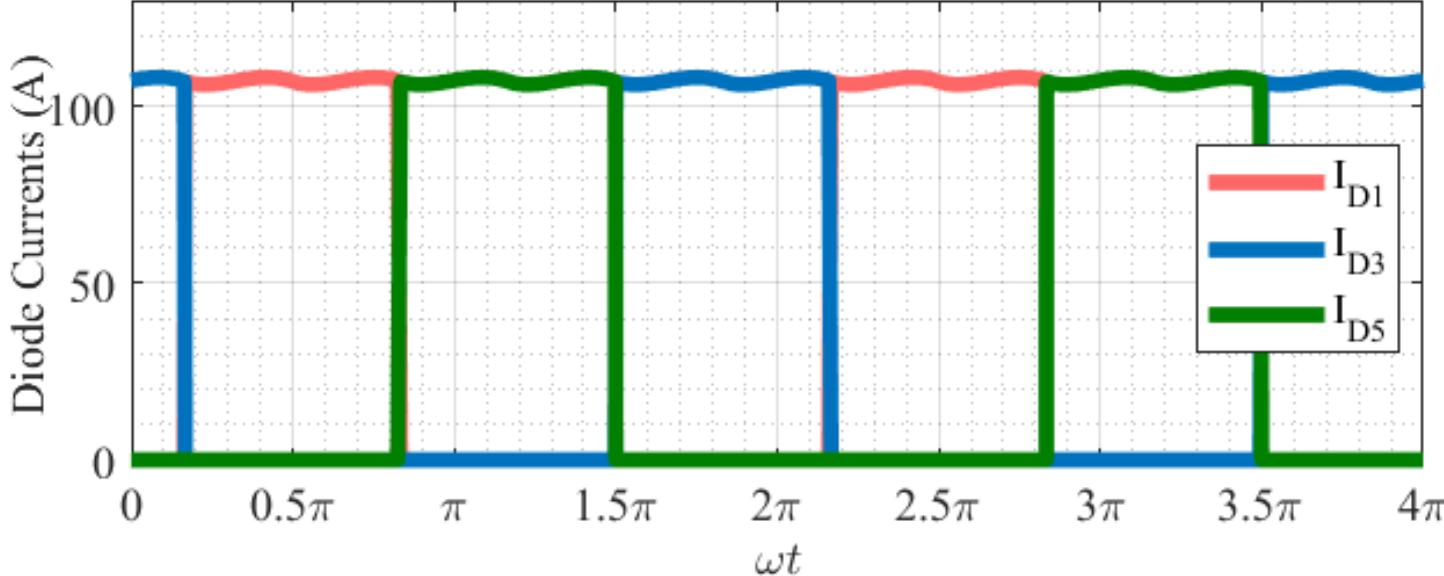
$$V_{o(RMS)} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{\pi/3} \int_{\pi/3}^{2\pi/3} (V_{m,L-L} \sin(\omega t))^2 d(\omega t)} = 1.655V_m$$

$$I_{o(AVG)} = \frac{V_{o(AVG)}}{R}$$

# Diode Currents



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- The current in a conducting diode is the same as the load current.
- To determine the current in each phase of the source, Kirchhoff's current law is applied at nodes a, b, and c or R, S and T.

$$i_a = i_{D_1} - i_{D_4}$$

$$i_b = i_{D_3} - i_{D_6}$$

$$i_c = i_{D_5} - i_{D_2}$$

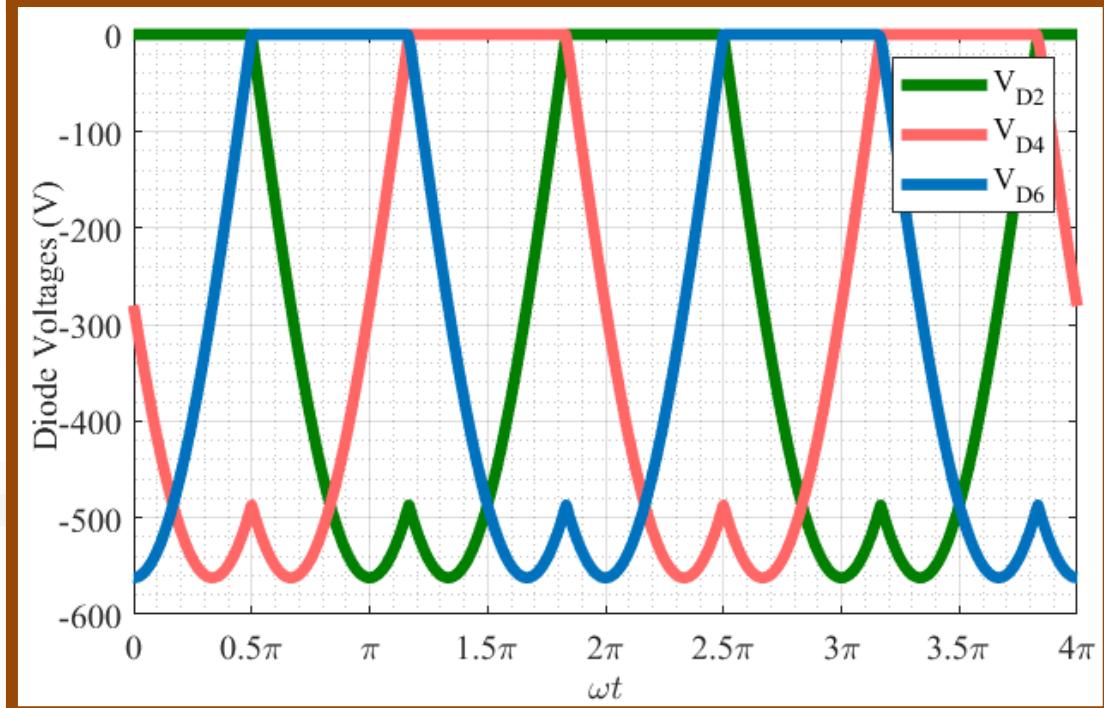
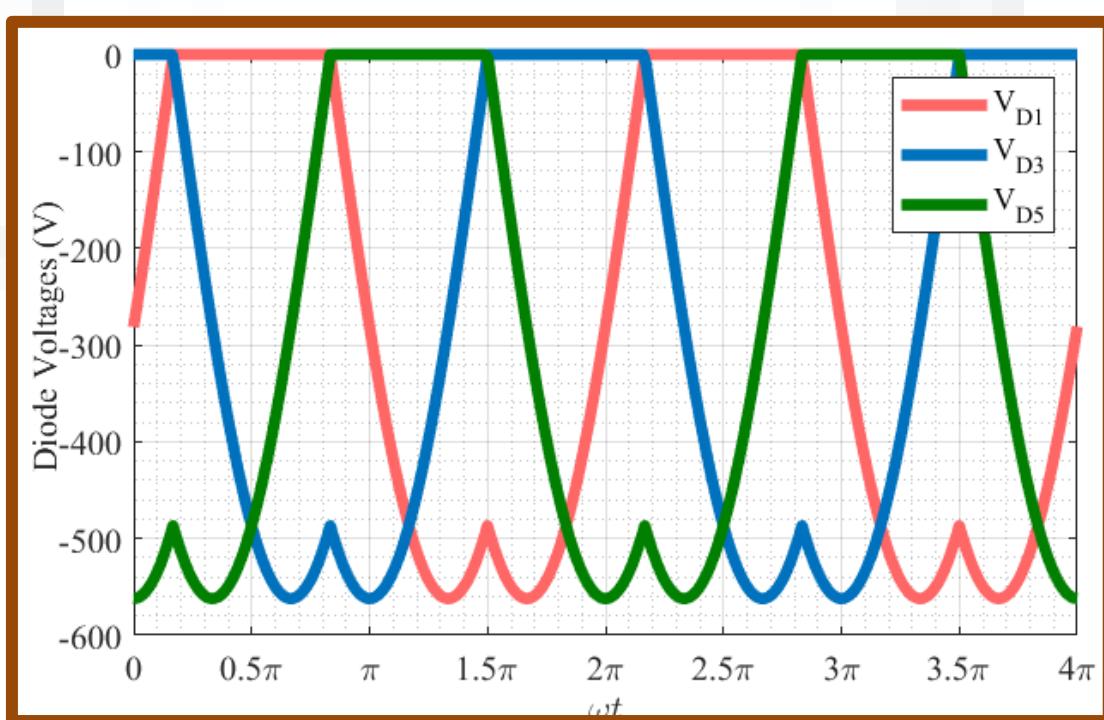
$$I_{D,\text{avg}} = \frac{1}{3} I_{o,\text{avg}}$$

$$I_{D,\text{rms}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} I_{o,\text{rms}}$$

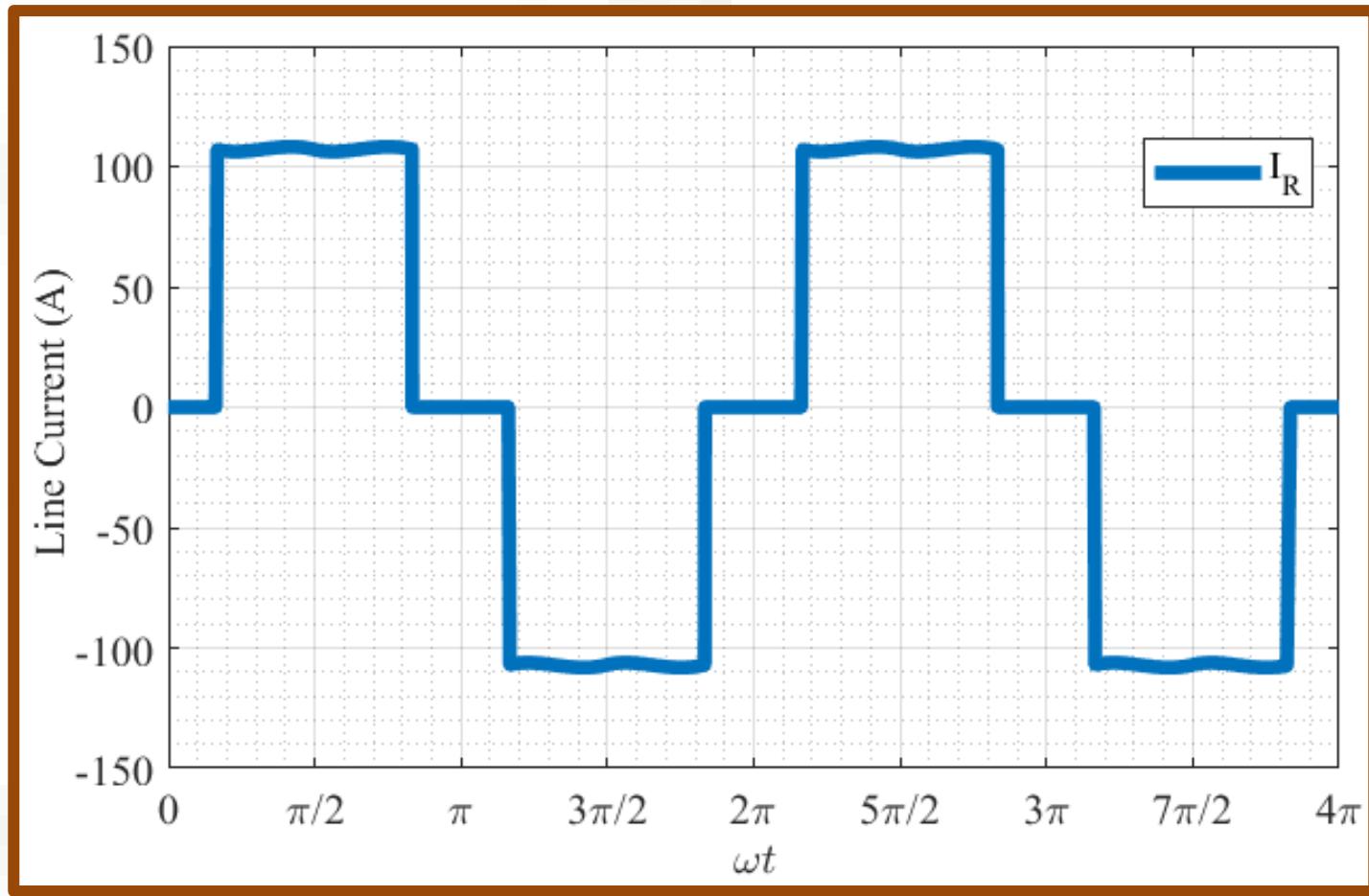
$$I_{s,\text{rms}} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} I_{o,\text{rms}}$$



## Diode Voltages



# Line Currents

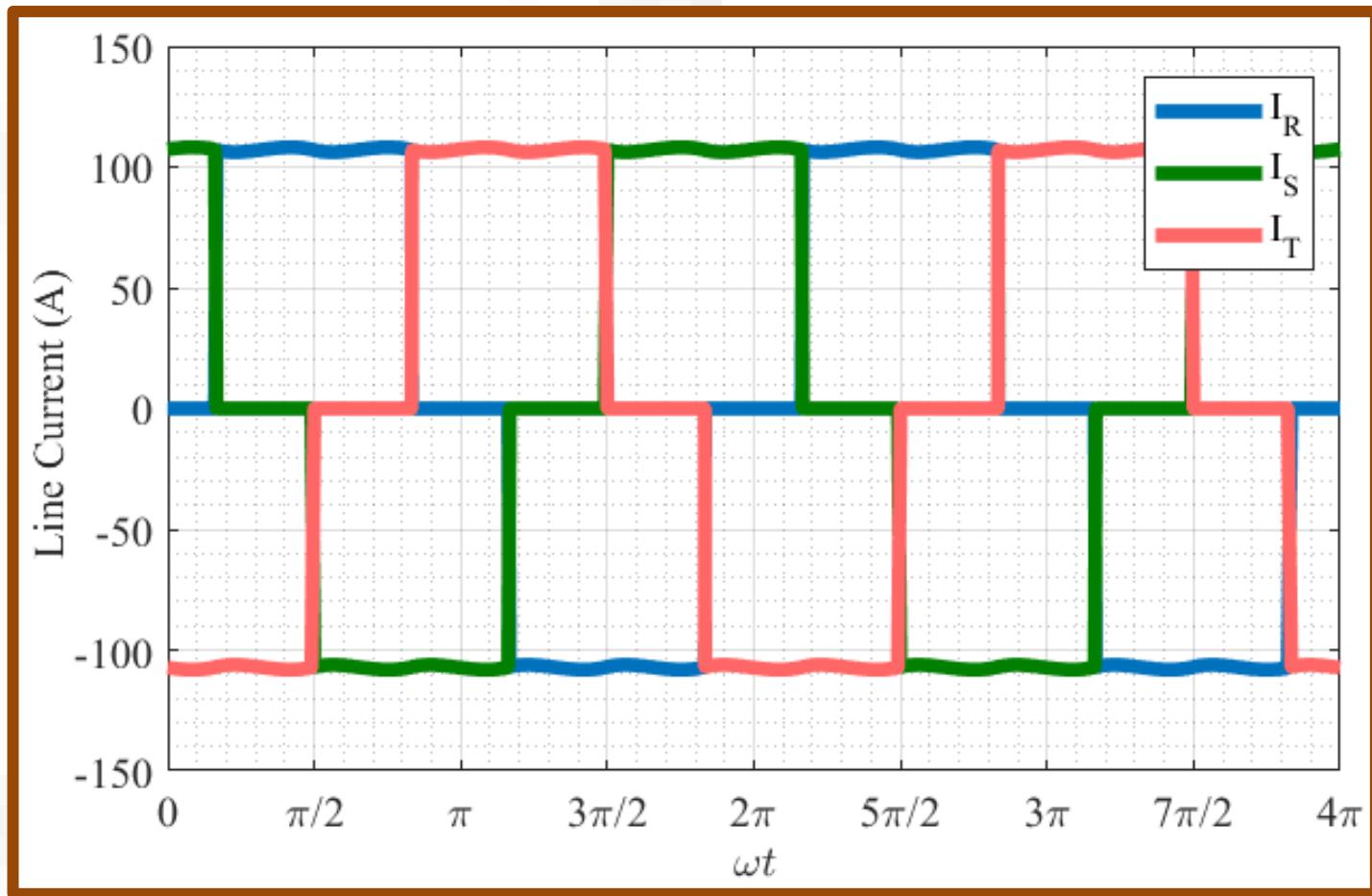


RMS current of line

$$I_s = I_m \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi} \left( \frac{\pi}{6} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} \right)} = 0.78 I_m$$

$$I_m = \frac{\sqrt{3} V_m}{R} = 1.73 V_m$$

# Line Currents



RMS current through a diode  $I_D = I_m \sqrt{\frac{1}{\pi} \left( \frac{\pi}{6} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} \right)} = 0.552 I_m$



The apparent power from the three-phase source is

$$S = \sqrt{3}V_{L-L\,(RMS)}I_S\,(RMS)$$

The periodic output voltage is defined as

$$V_{m,L-L} \sin(\omega t) \text{ for } \frac{\pi}{3} \leq \omega t \leq \frac{2\pi}{3}$$

Fourier series for the output voltage to be expressed as

$$\vartheta_o(t) = V_o + \sum_{n=6,12,18\dots}^{\infty} V_n \cos(n\omega_o t + \pi)$$

$$V_n = \frac{6V_{m,L-L}}{\pi(n^2 - 1)} \quad n = 6, 12, 18, \dots$$

# Line Currents



- ❖ In many applications, a load with series inductance results in a load current that is essentially dc.
- ❖ The Fourier series of the currents in phase a of the ac line is:

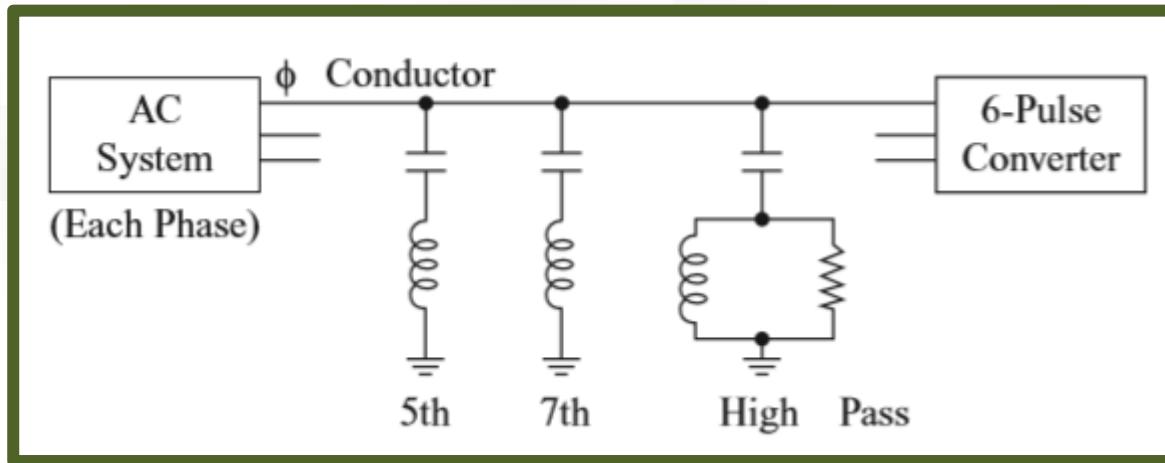
$$i_a(t) = \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{\pi} I_o \left( \cos \omega_0 t - \frac{1}{5} \cos 5\omega_0 t + \frac{1}{7} \cos 7\omega_0 t - \frac{1}{11} \cos 11\omega_0 t + \frac{1}{13} \cos 13\omega_0 t - \dots \right)$$

- ❖ Because these harmonic currents may present problems in the ac system, filters are frequently necessary to prevent these harmonics from entering the ac system.

# Input Filter



- ❖ A typical filtering scheme is shown in Figure.



- ❖ Resonant filters are used to provide a path to ground for the fifth and seventh harmonics, which are the two lowest and are the strongest in amplitude.
- ❖ Higher-order harmonics are reduced with the high-pass filter.
- ❖ These filters prevent the harmonic currents from propagating through the ac power system.
- ❖ Filter components are chosen such that the impedance to the power system frequency is large.

# Summary

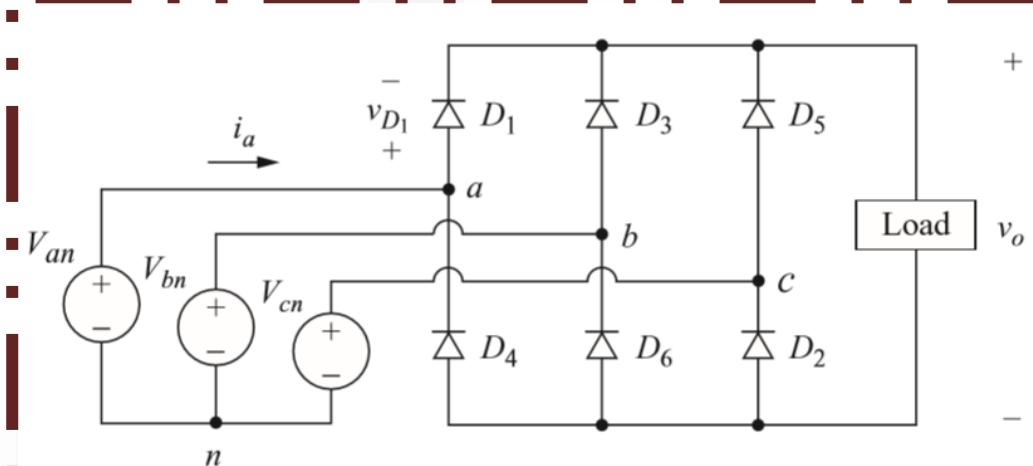


- ❑ The dc output voltage is slightly lower than the peak line voltage
- ❑ The Peak Repetitive Reverse Voltage (VRRM) rating of the employed diodes is 1.05 times the dc output voltage, and
- ❑ the Peak Repetitive Forward Current (IFRM) rating of the employed diodes is 0.579 times the dc output current.
- ❑ Therefore, this three-phase bridge rectifier is very efficient and popular wherever both dc voltage and current requirements are high.
- ❑ In many applications, no additional filter is required because the output ripple voltage is only 4.2%.
- ❑ Even if a filter is required, the size of the filter is relatively small because the ripple frequency is increased to six times the input frequency



# Example-1

- The three-phase has a three-phase source of 480 Vrms line-to-line, and the load is a  $25\text{-}\Omega$  resistance in series with a  $50\text{-mH}$  inductance. Determine
- the dc level of the output voltage,
  - the dc and first ac term of the load current,
  - the average and rms current in the diodes,
  - the rms current in the source, and
  - the apparent power from the source.



$$\frac{3V_{m,L-L}}{\pi} = \frac{3\sqrt{2}(480)}{\pi} = 648\text{V}$$



## Example-1

The average load current is

$$I_o = \frac{V_o}{R} = \frac{648}{25} = 25.9 \text{ A}$$

$$I_6 = \frac{V_6}{Z_6} = \frac{0.0546 V_m}{\sqrt{R^2 + (6\omega L)^2}} = \frac{0.0546 \sqrt{2}(480)}{\sqrt{25^2 + [6(377)(0.05)]^2}} = \frac{37.0 \text{ V}}{115.8 \Omega} = 0.32 \text{ A}$$

$$I_{6,\text{rms}} = \frac{0.32}{\sqrt{2}} = 0.23 \text{ A}$$

$$I_{D,\text{avg}} = \frac{I_o}{3} = \frac{25.9}{3} = 8.63 \text{ A}$$

$$I_{D,\text{rms}} = \frac{I_{o,\text{rms}}}{\sqrt{3}} \approx \frac{25.9}{\sqrt{3}} = 15.0 \text{ A}$$

$$I_{s,\text{rms}} = \left(\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\right) I_{o,\text{rms}} \approx \left(\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\right) 25.9 = 21.2 \text{ A}$$

$$S = \sqrt{3}(V_{L-L,\text{rms}})(I_{s,\text{rms}}) = \sqrt{3} (480)(21.2) = 17.6 \text{ kVA}$$