

MIT OpenCourseWare
<http://ocw.mit.edu>

6.334 Power Electronics
Spring 2007

For information about citing these materials or our Terms of Use, visit: <http://ocw.mit.edu/terms>.

Power Electronics Notes - D. Perreault

3 Phase Systems

3 Sources (V_a, V_b, V_c) separated by 120° in phase ($\frac{2\pi}{3}$ rad)

$$\text{e.g. } V_a = V_s \sin(\omega t)$$

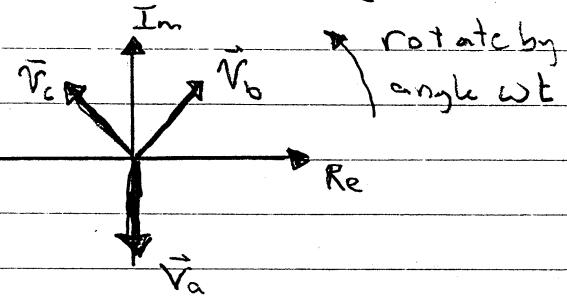
$$V_b = V_s \sin(\omega t + \frac{2\pi}{3})$$

$$V_c = V_s \sin(\omega t - \frac{2\pi}{3})$$

$$\times e^{j\omega t} =$$

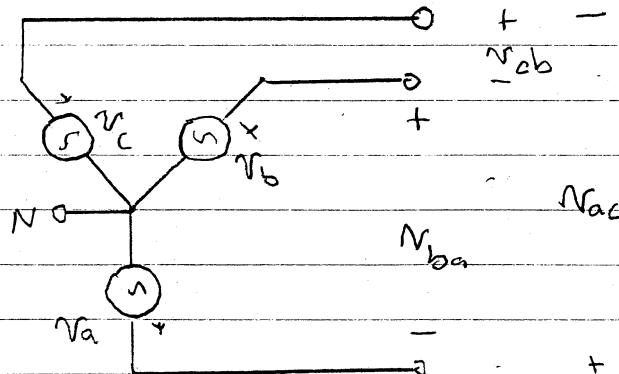
Represented as phasors :

$$V_x(t) = \text{Re} \{ \vec{V}_x e^{j\omega t} \}$$

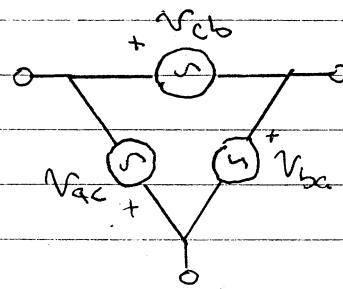


Connection of 3Φ sources

most common: Y

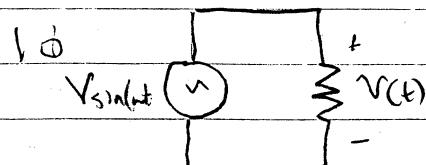


△ Connected (no neutral)

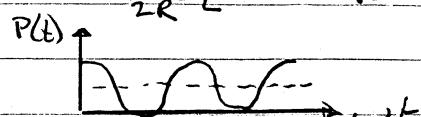


why 3Φ?

I. Constant Power Sourcing



$$\begin{aligned} P(t) &= \frac{V^2(t)}{R} = \frac{V_s^2}{R} \sin^2(\omega t) \\ &= \frac{V_s^2}{2R} [1 - \cos(2\omega t)] \end{aligned}$$



Power Electronics Notes - D. Perreault

1 ϕ :

Even at unity power factor, instantaneous power fluctuates between zero + twice average at double the line frequency (no const. power out). Makes sense; can't get power when voltage is zero. This is bad for supplying power to machines, rectifiers, etc. which would like to draw const power, + must buffer the fluctuations (via. inertia, capacitance, etc.)

3ϕ solves this: $P_{\text{tot}} = \frac{V_s^2}{R} [\sin^2(\omega t) + \sin^2(\omega t + \frac{2\pi}{3}) + \sin^2(\omega t - \frac{2\pi}{3})]$

$$P_{\text{tot}} = \frac{V_s^2}{2R} [3 + \underbrace{\cos(2\omega t) + \cos(2\omega t - \frac{4\pi}{3}) + \cos(2\omega t + \frac{4\pi}{3})}_{3\phi \text{ set cancels}}]$$

$$P_{\text{tot}} = \frac{3V_s^2}{2R}$$

$\therefore 3\phi$ sets can deliver constant total output power without fluctuations!

(note: 2ϕ sets can as well, since $\sin^2(\omega t) + \cos^2(\omega t) = 1$!)

2. Neutral wire return not needed: unlike 2ϕ power, one can deliver 3ϕ power w/o the need for a neutral return. So 3 wires are needed for both 2ϕ + 3ϕ , but can deliver more power for same amount of wire cabling in 3ϕ . \therefore Important for cost of utility lines.

3. 3ϕ systems allow cancellation of all triplen harmonics (harmonics that are multiples of 3). How?

If I take a waveform (not necessarily sinusoidal)

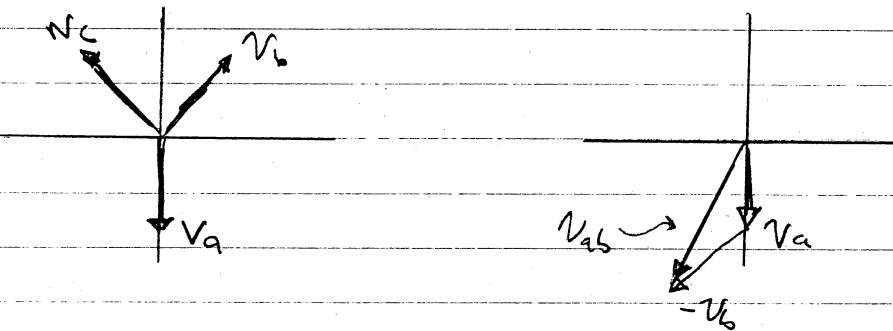
$$f(t) = \sum a_n \sin(n\omega t + \phi_n) \text{ and shift it by } \pm \frac{\pi}{3} \left(\pm \frac{\pi}{3} \text{ radians of fundamental} = 120^\circ \right)$$

Power Electronics Notes - D. Perreault

The +/- shifted waveforms will have fundamentals that differ by $120^\circ = \frac{2\pi}{3}$ radians. $3n$ harmonics will be shifted by $3n \times 120^\circ = n \times 360^\circ$. Thus, if we take the difference of the shifted waveforms, (e.g. $\ell-\ell$), the $3n$ harmonics will drop out!

Thus, no even harmonics, $3n$'s gone, $5^{\text{th}}, 7^{\text{th}}, 11^{\text{th}}, 17^{\text{th}}$ lowest harmonics left. \rightarrow great!

Line-line voltages can be vector constructed from line-neutral

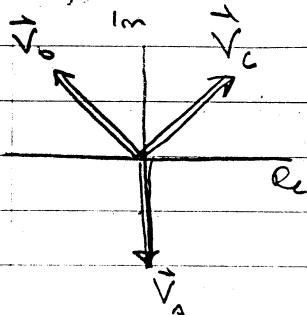


$$\text{e.g. } V_{ab} = V_a - V_b = \sqrt{3} V_s \sin(\omega t - \frac{\pi}{6})$$

- $\xrightarrow{120V \text{ l-n}}$ $\xrightarrow{208V \text{ l-l}}$ (rms) So $\ell-\ell$ magnitude is scaled by $\sqrt{3}$
- $\ell-\ell$ phase is shifted by $\frac{\pi}{6}$ (30°) from $\ell-\text{n}$
 \rightarrow phase shift can be useful for converters fed from Δ/Δ , Δ/Y transformers,
e.g. 12-pulse rectifiers

Given a 3Ø set of voltages, we can create a set with any phase relation we desire.

e.g.



$$\vec{V}_a(t) = \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \bar{V}_s e^{-j\frac{\pi}{2}} e^{j\omega t} \right\}$$

$$\vec{V}_b(t) = \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \bar{V}_s e^{j\frac{5\pi}{6}} e^{j\omega t} \right\}$$

$$\vec{V}_c(t) = \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \bar{V}_s e^{j\frac{\pi}{6}} e^{j\omega t} \right\}$$

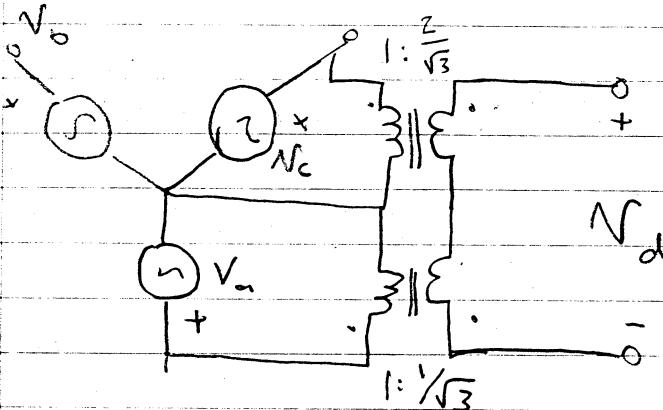
In rectangular coordinates, we could represent $\vec{V}_a = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(-\frac{\pi}{2}) \\ \sin(-\frac{\pi}{2}) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ V}_s$

$$\vec{V}_c = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\frac{\pi}{6}) \\ \sin(\frac{\pi}{6}) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} \text{ V}_s$$

If we wanted to synthesize a phasor \vec{V}_d with $\alpha = 0$, $|V_d| = \bar{V}_s$
we could do this by summing parts of \vec{V}_a, \vec{V}_c

$$\vec{V}_d = \alpha \vec{V}_a + \beta \vec{V}_c$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ -1 & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{bmatrix} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\ \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} \end{bmatrix}$$



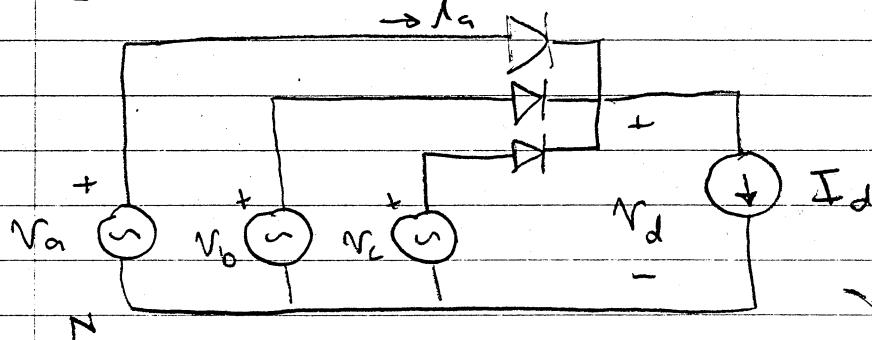
We could similarly synthesize any other angle + other phases

There are multiple ways to do this, since $\vec{V}_a, \vec{V}_b, \vec{V}_c$ are a linearly dependent set

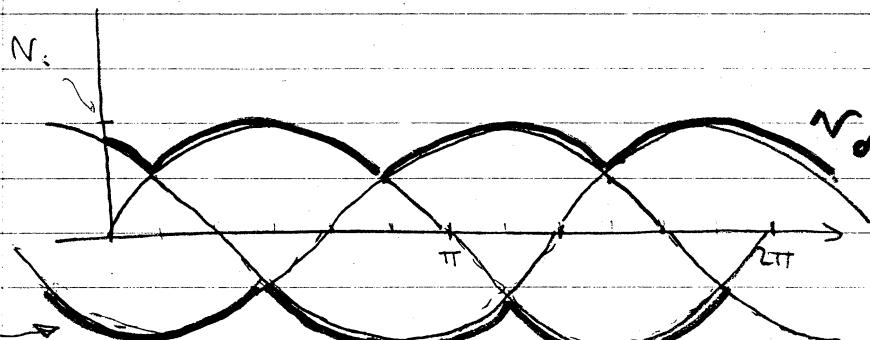
Power Electronics Notes - D. Perreault

★ 3 Phase Rectification

$\frac{1}{2}$ wave rectifier

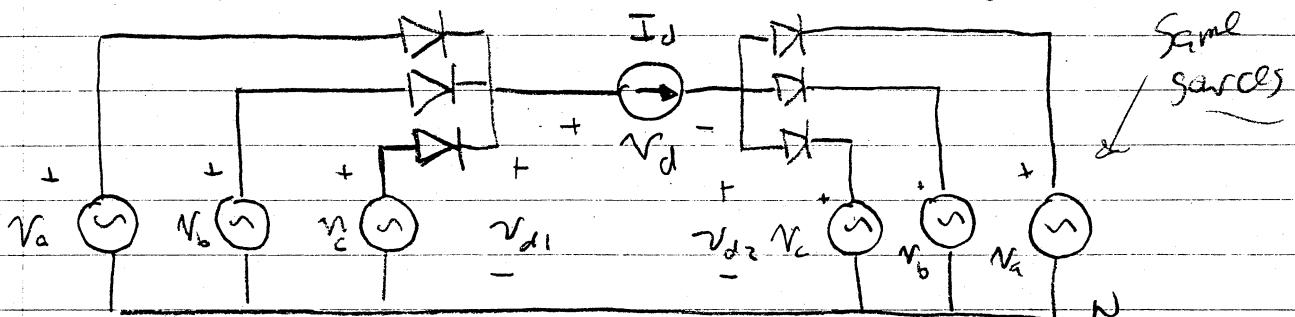


V_d is the diode "or" of the 3 voltages



3 Vout pulses / cycle

If we connect things negatively, we get other halves
Connecting both together, we get the full-bridge rectifier:



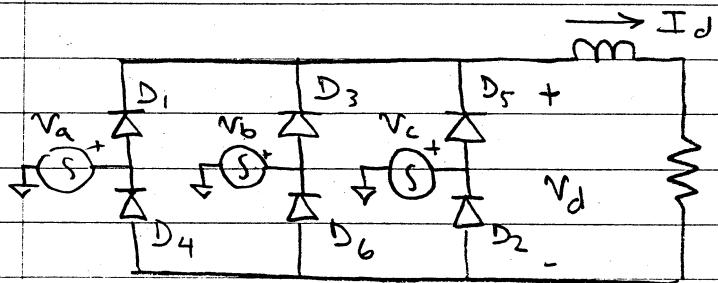
V_d is "most positive of $\{V_a, V_b, V_c\}$ " - most negative of $\{V_{ab}, V_{ac}, V_{bc}, V_{ba}, V_{ca}, V_{cb}\}$ "

This is the same as the largest of $\{V_{ab}, V_{ac}, V_{bc}, V_{ba}, V_{ca}, V_{cb}\}$

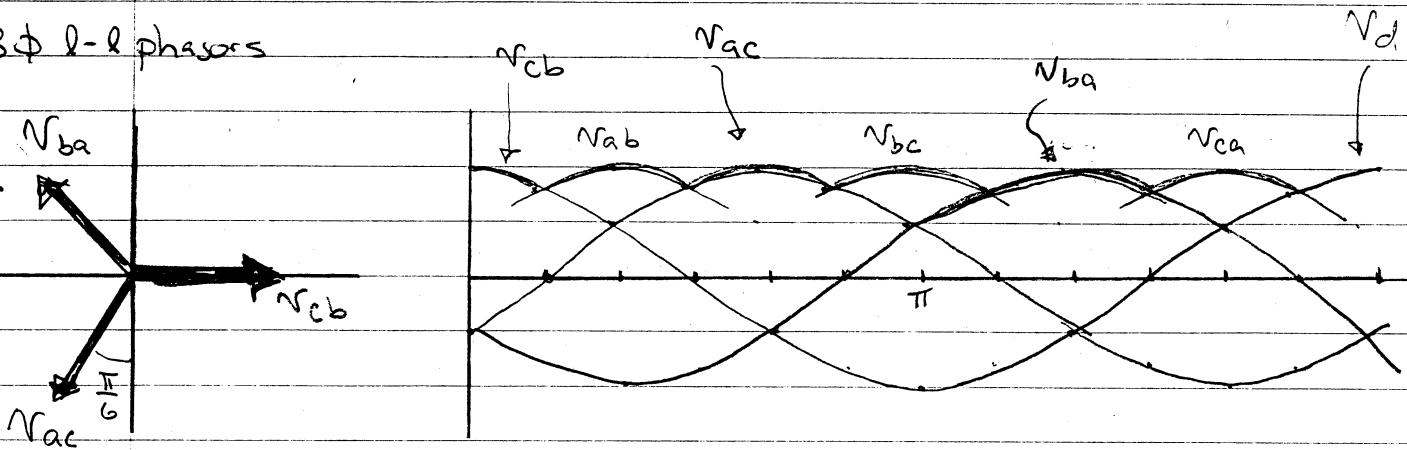
This "full-bridge" connection operates on line-to-line voltages!

Power Electronics Notes - D. Perreault

The full-bridge rectifier can be drawn as follows:

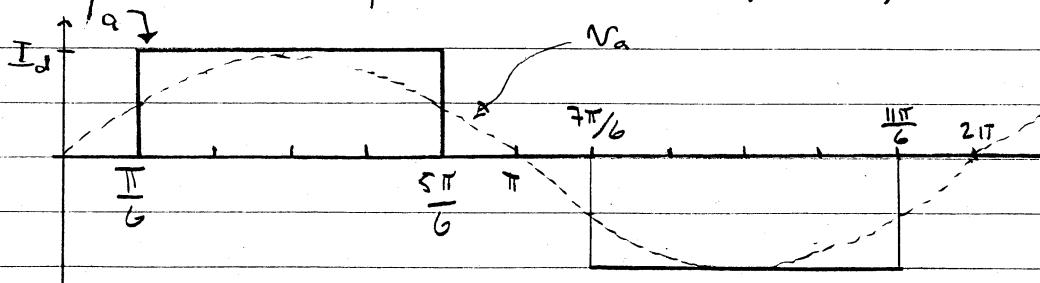


3 ϕ L-L phasors



NOTE: The bridge diodes are numbered in the order in which they conduct over the cycle. (e.g.: D₁, D₂, D₂D₃, D₃D₄, D₄D₅, D₅D₆, D₆D₁, ...)

We can calculate power factor (for phase A, for example)



$$V_{a,\text{rms}} = \frac{V_s}{\sqrt{2}} \quad I_{a,\text{rms}} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} I_d$$

$$\langle P \rangle = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{5\pi}{6}} V_s I_d \sin(\varphi) d\varphi = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\pi} V_s I_d$$

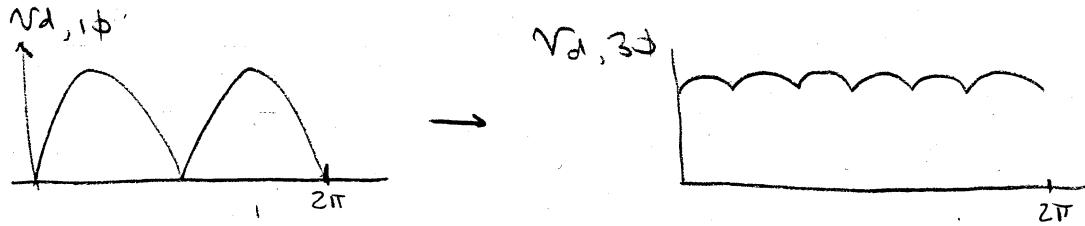
Power Electronics Notes - D. Perreault

$$K_p = \frac{\langle P \rangle}{V_{rms} I_{rms}} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\pi} V_s I_d \cdot \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{V_s I_d} \right) = \frac{3}{\pi} \approx .96$$

(Compare to 0.91 for a 1φ bridge)

also 1φ bridge → 4 diodes
 3φ bridge → only 6 diodes

ripple voltage is at $6 f_{line}$ not $2 f_{line} \Rightarrow$ easier to filter



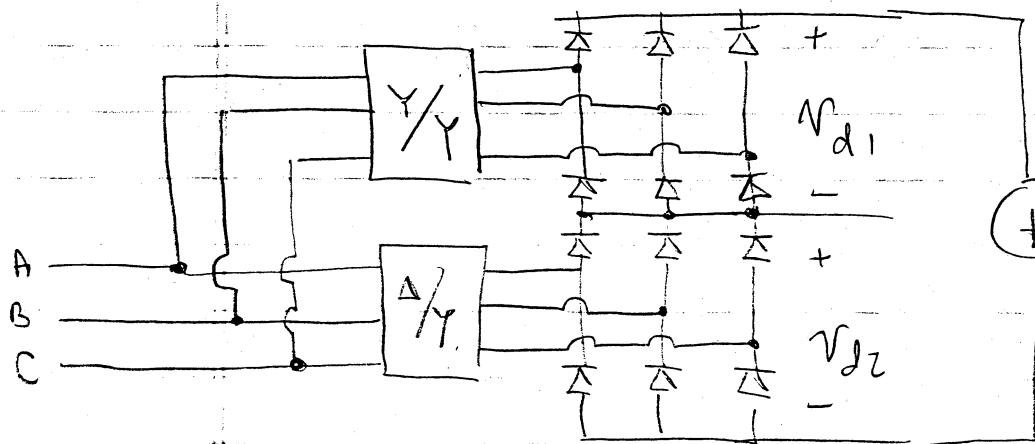
Single phase rectifier

3 phase rectifier

The ripple-voltage magnitude is also smaller \Rightarrow easier to filter

Power Electronics Notes - D. Perreault
Higher-Order rectifiers

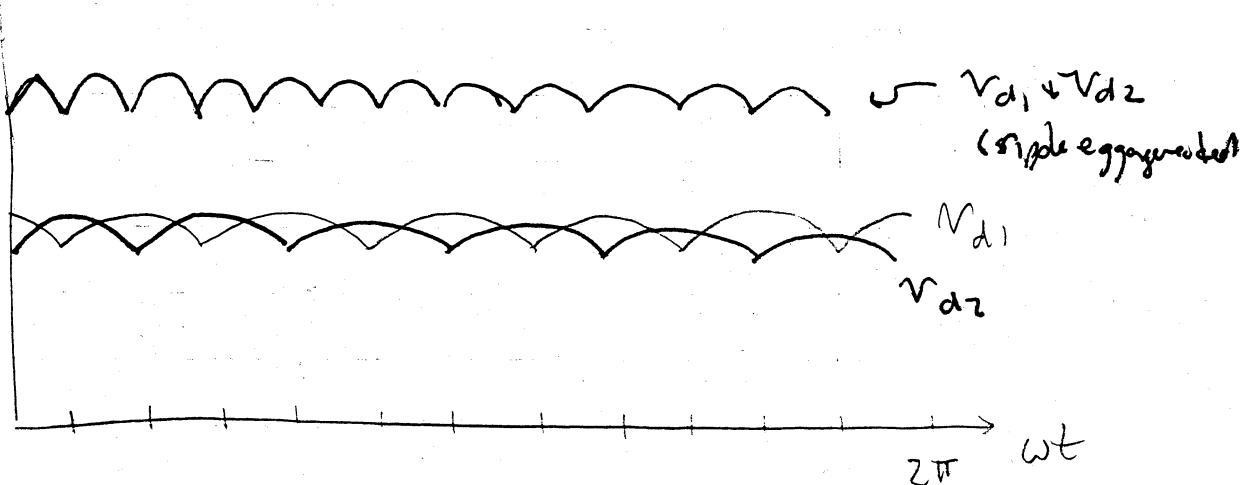
Suppose we use two phase-shifted transformer sets on series-stacked six-pulse bridges



The Y/Y , Δ/Y transformer sets generate equal voltage magnitudes, with a 30° phase difference between their 3 ϕ outputs.

Since all V_d stages are isolated, constant current in the bridges \rightarrow the two six-pulse bridges act independently.

Since input waveforms shifted by 30° ($\frac{T}{12}$) and output ripple is at $6 \times$ input frequency ($T_{\text{out}} = \frac{T}{6}$). Output ripple voltages are shifted by $T_{\text{out}}/2$ (30° fund, 180° 6 ϕ)

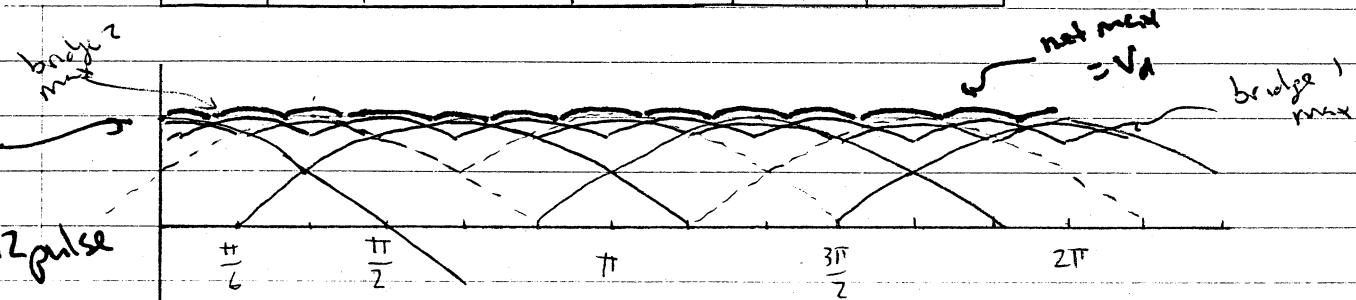
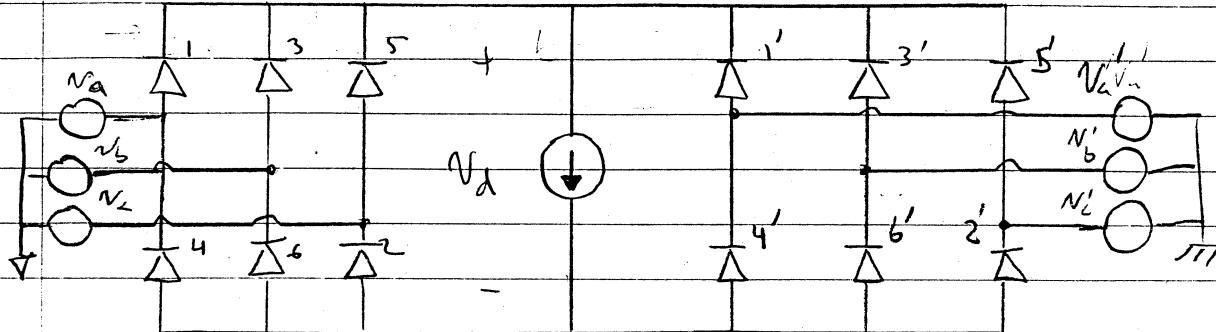


We have a 12-pulse rectifier! (fundamental 6-pulse removed)

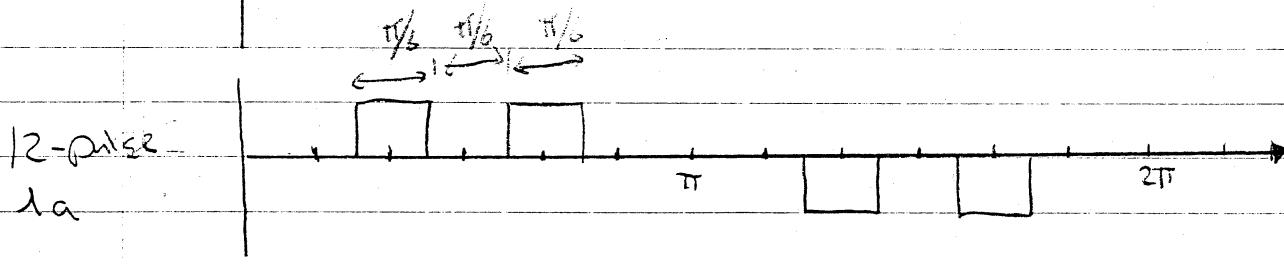
- smaller ripple magnitude } easier output filter
- higher ripple frequency }
- net input current + power factor also improves

Power Electronics Notes - D. Perregault

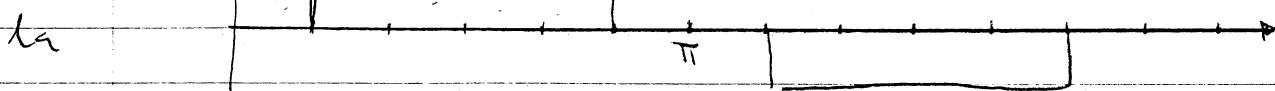
consider parallel case (direct connection)



again,
V_d is 12 pulse



six-pulse



$$12 \text{ pulse } I_{d1, \text{rms}} = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{6} \cdot \frac{1}{2\pi} \cdot I_d^2} = \frac{I_d}{\sqrt{6}}$$

$$6 \text{ pulse } I_{d1, \text{rms}} = \sqrt{\frac{4\pi}{6} \cdot \frac{1}{2\pi} I_d^2} = \frac{I_d}{\sqrt{3}}$$

So 12 pulse, $I_{\text{rms}} \downarrow$ by $\sqrt{2}$, but twice as many devices

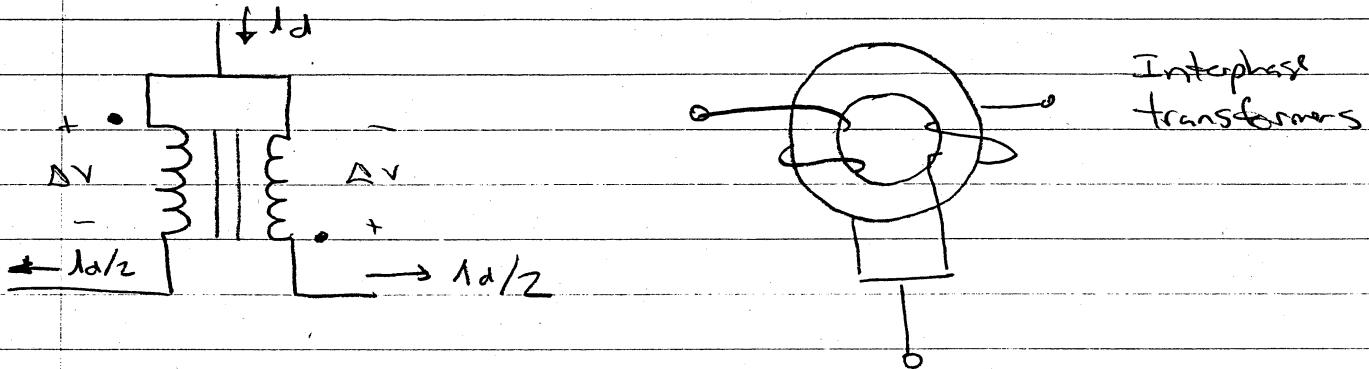
→ Each device carries the full current for $\frac{1}{12}$ the time!

(Ohmic loss in devices, transformers, lines depend on RMS!)

Power Electronics Notes - D. Perreault

#1

What we would like is to get the 12-pulse waveform with 2 bridges acting independently so each carries half the current



- Ideal:
 - forces the current to split evenly
 - forces the voltage at the output to be the average of 2 input voltages

What happens? → each bridge operates independently

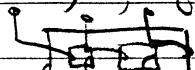
$$I_{d1, \text{rms}} = \sqrt{\frac{4\pi}{6} \cdot \frac{1}{2\pi} \left(\frac{Id}{2}\right)^2} = \frac{Id}{2\sqrt{3}}$$

- So we have 2x as many devices as a 6-pulse rectifier (each of) which carry half the rms current

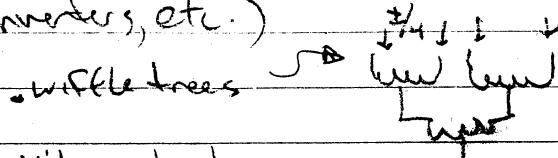
- The voltage is the average of 2 shifted 6-pulse waveforms, giving harmonic cancellation in the output voltage and the input current (as w/ series connection)

- This connection is often used for high-current systems (MIT tokamak, Rail road converters, etc.)

- Can extend to 13, 24, 36 pulse etc.



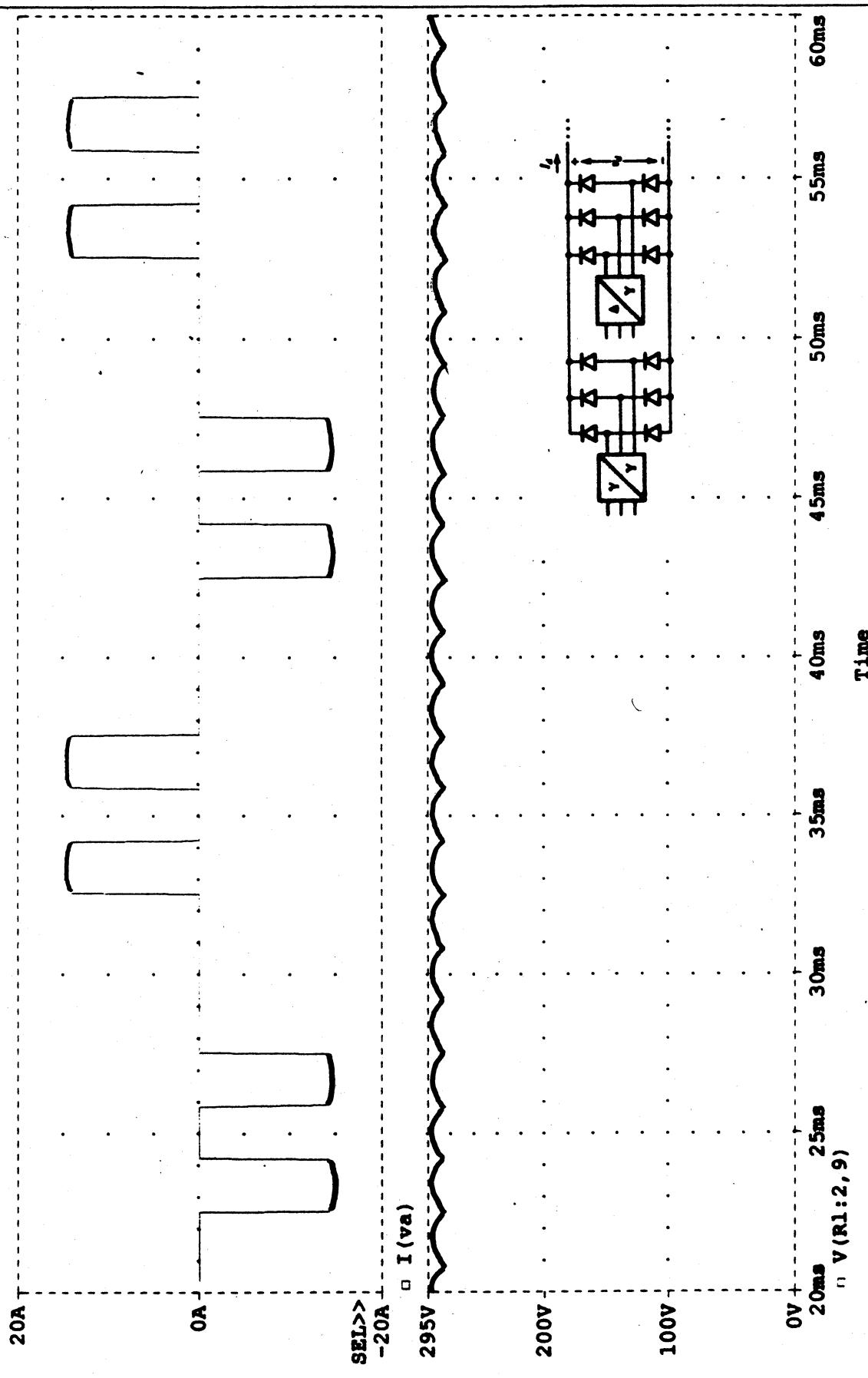
← multilevel interphase
transformers



Date/Time run: 04/14/98 20:43:58 * C:\Msimev_8\Projects\Lecture 28\Dbrect6.sch

Temperature: 27.0

(A) Dbrect6.dat



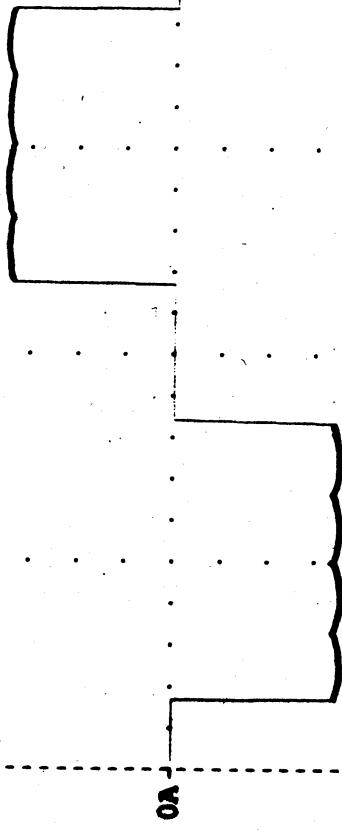
Date/Time run: 03/18/99 18:16:31

* D:\T1m\6.334\Projects\Lecture 28\obrect6_Int.sch

Temperature: 27.0

(B) obrect6_Int.dat

10A



SEL>>

□ I (VA)

284V

200V

100V

0V

20ms

30ms

40ms

35ms

45ms

50ms

55ms

60ms

Time

□ V(R11:2, R1:1)

0V 20ms 25ms 30ms 35ms 40ms 45ms 50ms 55ms 60ms

Date: March 18, 1999

Page 1

Time: 18:16:57