

Simulation and Modelling of Grid Power Converters

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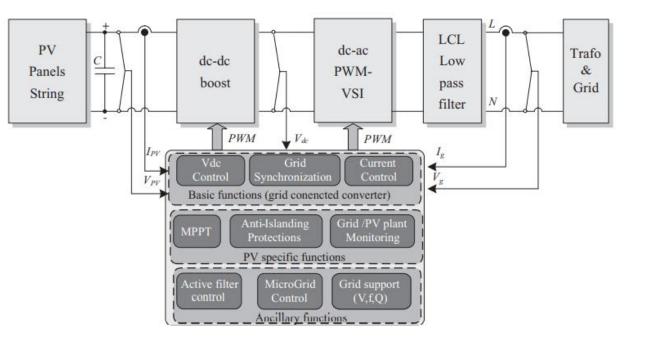
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Control structures

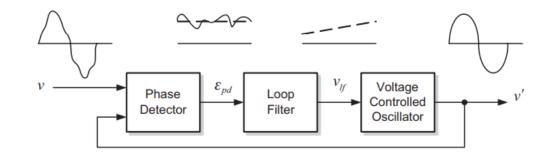
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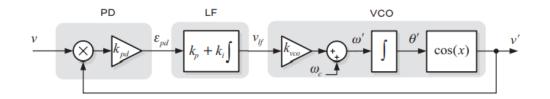




Grid Synchronization

- Fourier Analysis
- Phase Phase-Locked Loop
 - PD phase detector
 - LF loop filter
 - VCO voltage-controlled oscillator





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Grid Synchronization

Recap

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 - VCO voltage-controlled oscillator

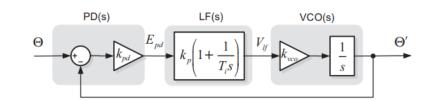
• Phase detector:

$$E_{pd}(s) = \frac{V}{2} \left(\Theta(s) - \Theta'(s) \right)$$

- Loop filter: $V_{lf}(s) = k_p \left(1 + \frac{1}{T_i s}\right) \varepsilon_{pd}(s)$
- Controlled oscillator: $\Theta'(s) = \frac{1}{s} V_{lf}(s)$

Closed-loop phase transfer function:

$$H_{\theta}(s) = \frac{\Theta'(s)}{\Theta(s)} = \frac{LF(s)}{s + LF(s)} = \frac{K_p s + \frac{K_p}{T_i}}{s^2 + K_p s + \frac{K_p}{T_i}}$$



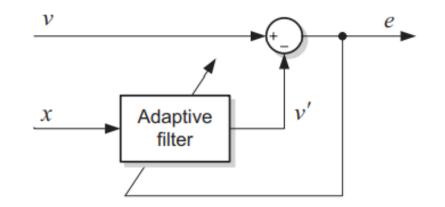


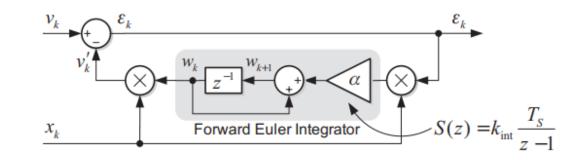


Grid Synchronization – PLLs based on adaptive filtering

Adaptive filter

- Adaptive filter adjusts its own parameters according to optimization algorithm without prior knowledge of the signal
- *v* input signal
- x reference signal correlated to noise content
- e output signal without noise

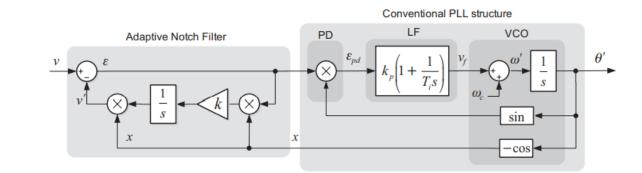


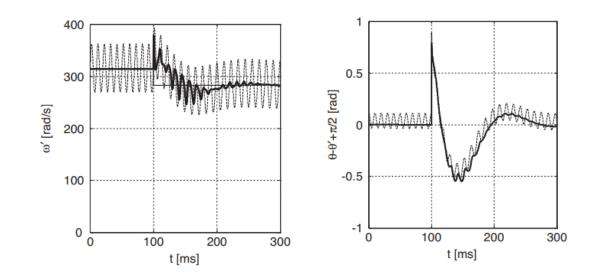




Grid Synchronization - PLLs based on adaptive filtering

- Enhanced PLL (EPLL)
 - Enhanced performance of PD
 - Adaptive Notch Filter
 - EPLL solid and conventional PLL dashed lines

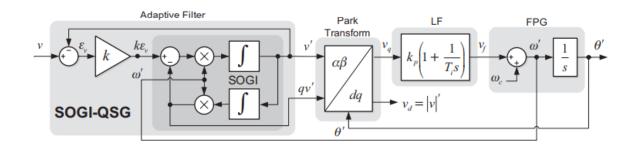


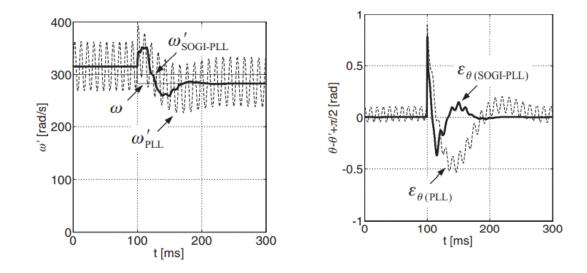




Grid Synchronization - PLLs based on adaptive filtering

- SOGI-based PLL
 - SOGI functions as QSG (in-quadrature signal generator)
 - SOGI is a notch filter
 - PLL locks the phase angle to the input frequency
 - the SOGI-PLL detects the input phase-angle faster than the conventional PLL and with no steady-state oscillations



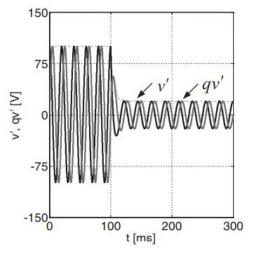


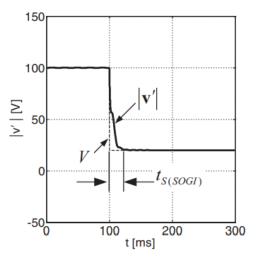


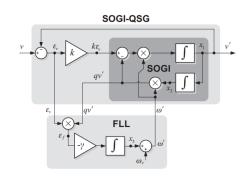
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SOGI-FLL

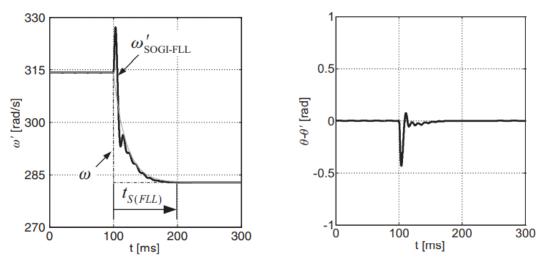
- SOGI functions as QSG (inquadrature signal generator)
- Frequency Lock Loop
- Magnitude and phase can be calculated from v and v' vectors







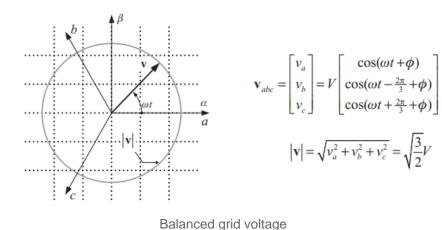
$$|\mathbf{v}'| = \sqrt{(v')^2 + (qv')^2}; \quad |\mathbf{v}'| = \arctan \frac{qv'}{v'}$$

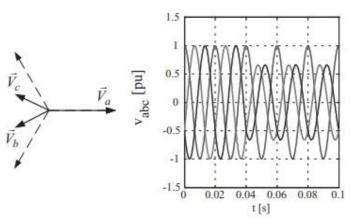




Grid Synchronization – Three-Phase Power Converters

- 3-Phase PV inverter must synchronize and remain synchronized under
 - Balanced voltage conditions
 - Unbalanced voltage conditions
 - during voltage disturbances





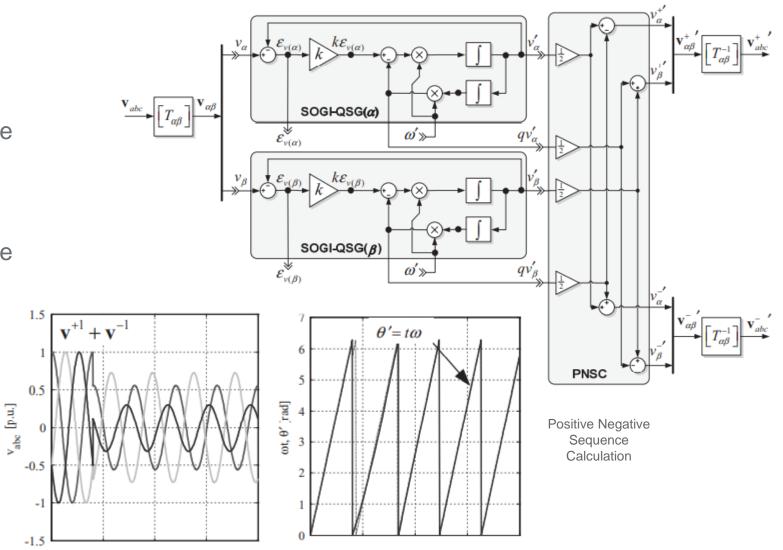
Type C Phase-to-phase fault



Grid Synchronization - Three-Phase Power Converters

- Double SOGI -PLL
 - No oscillations of magnitude and phase during unbalance
 - Positive and Negative sequence magnitude and phase calculated from sequence vectors

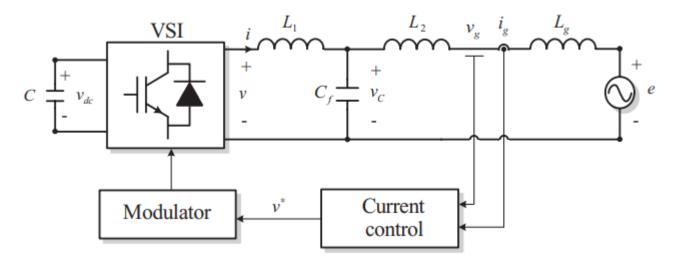
$$|\boldsymbol{v}'| = \sqrt{\left(v'_{\alpha}\right)^2 + \left(v'_{\beta}\right)^2}; \quad \theta' = \tan^{-1}\frac{v'_{\beta}}{v'_{\alpha}}$$





Grid Power Converter Control

- Typical Grid Power Converter Control block diagram
 - Modulator
 - Current control
 - DC bus voltage control

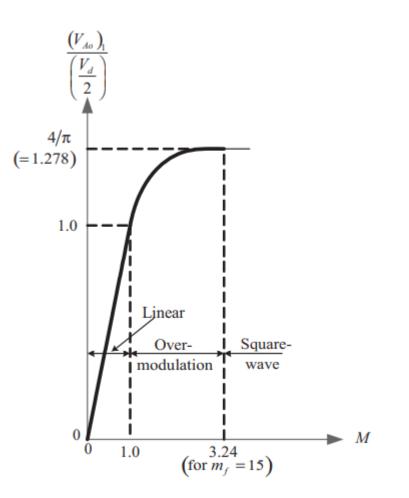




Grid Power Converter Control – Modulation Techniques

Classification of Pulse Width Modulation techniques

- Carrier-based pulse widths are determined by comparing a modulating waveform and a triangle carrier
 - Modulation index M the ration between amplitudes of modulating and carrier waves
 - Carrier index m the ration between frequencies of the modulation and carrier waves
- Space Vector Modulation (SVM) applicable to Three-Phase systems only
- Objectives:
 - to obtain a lower harmonics distortion
 - reduce common mode currents
 - extend utilization of the DC bus (Three-Phase systems only)

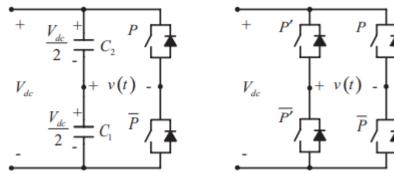


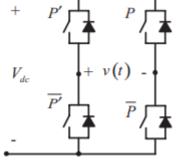
Recap 1.

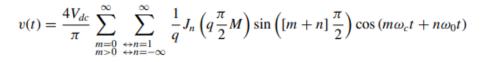


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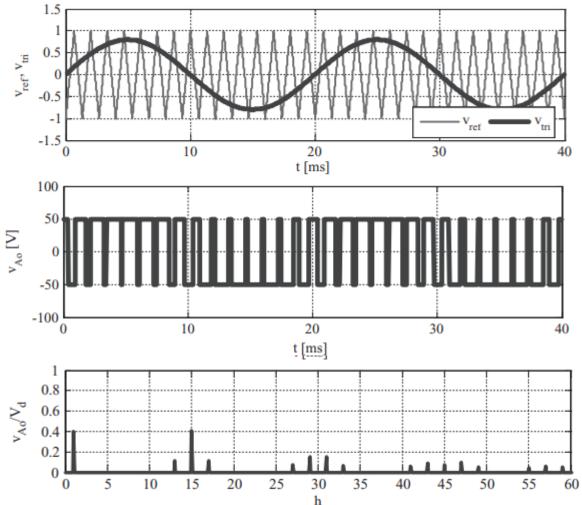
- Single Phase Carrier-based PWM modulation
 - **Bipolar modulation**







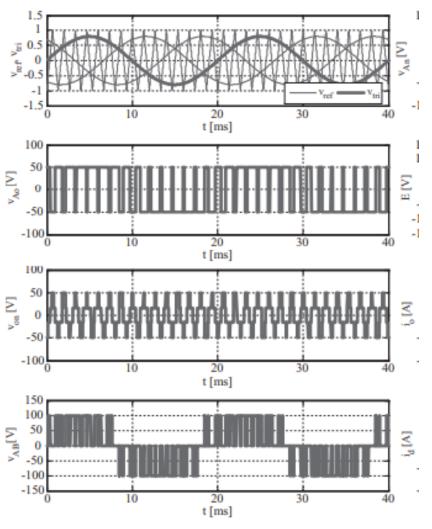
Jn – Bessel function of order n and $q=m+n(\omega_0/\omega_c)$





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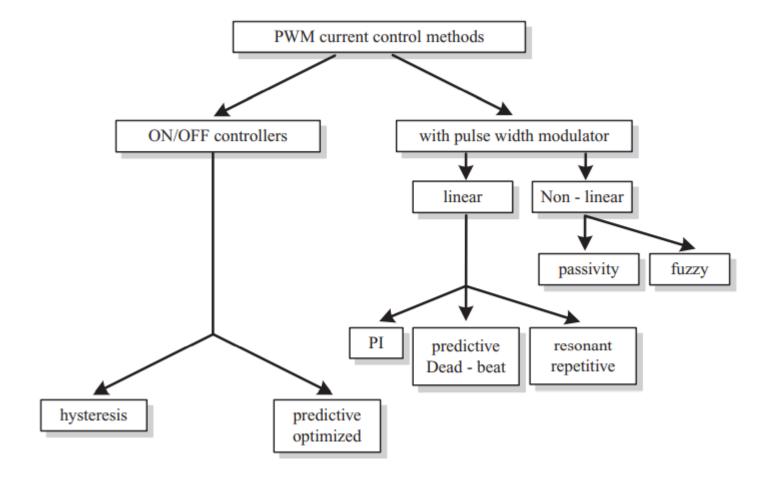
- Three Phase Carrier-based PWM modulation
 - Bipolar modulation
 - Increased linear modulation range by adding zero sequence signal into the modulating signal
 - No influence on the grid as Neutral is not connected
 - Sinusoidal with the third harmonic 17% (THIPWM)
 - Sinusoidal with triplen harmonics (subopt) equivalent to SVPWM with symmetrical placement of the zero vectors in the sampling time
 - Discontinues PWM1, DPWM2 and DPWM10





Grid Power Converter Control

- Classification of current control methods
 - PMW based PI and Resonant most prevailing



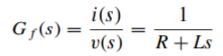


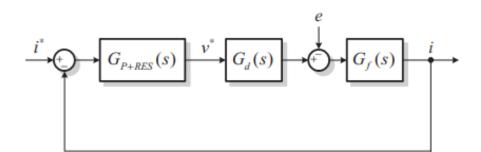
Grid Power Converter Control

 $\stackrel{i^*}{\longrightarrow} G_{PI}(s) \xrightarrow{v^*} G_d(s) \xrightarrow{i} G_f(s)$

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 Current controller of a PI controller





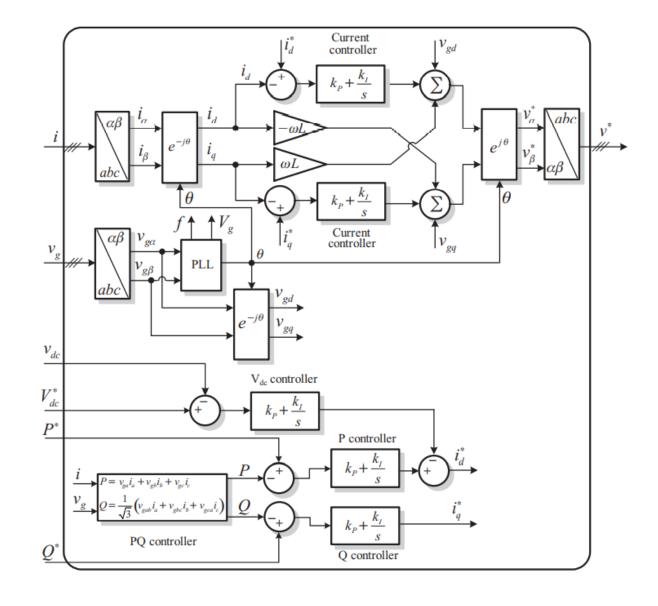
 Current controller of a P+resonant (PR) controller

$$G_{AC}(s) = \frac{Y(s)}{E(s)} = \frac{2k_I \left(\omega_c s + \omega_c^2\right)}{s^2 + 2\omega_c s + (\omega_c^2 + \omega^2)} \approx \frac{2k_I \omega_c s}{s^2 + 2\omega_c s + \omega^2}$$



Grid Power Converter Control

 Three-Phase Synchronous PI dq current control



Simulation and Modelling tools

- Off-line
 - PLECS by Plexim
 - PSIM
 - Simulink/SimPowerSystems
 - Typhoon Virtual HIL
- Hardware-in-the-loop HIL
 - RTDS
 - Opal-RT
 - RT BOX by Plexim
 - Typhoon HIL



Typhoon HIL

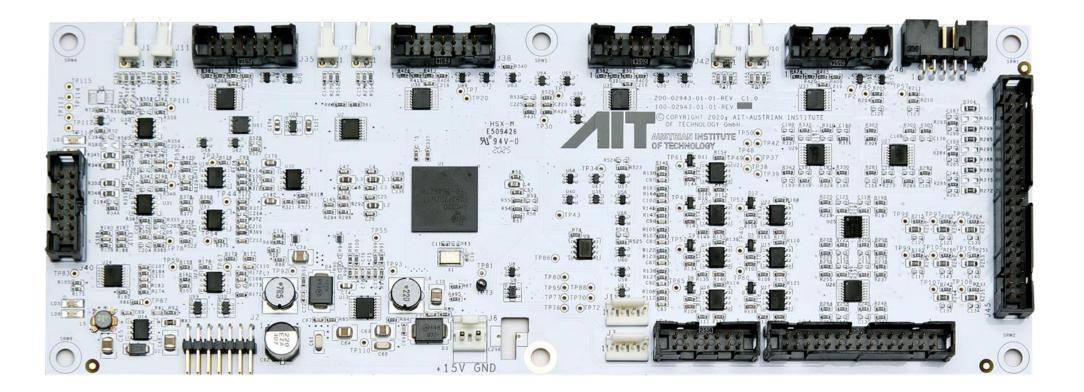
AIT HIL CONTROLLER





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Vindobona GPIC Kit

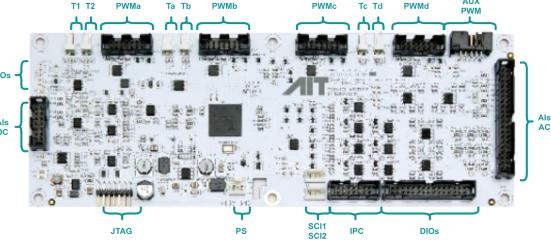




Item	Description	Notes / Ranges
PWMa, PWMb, PWMc, PWMn, AUX PWM	Logic level PWMs & HW signals & temperature measurement	20 PWMs / 03.3V 1 DO HW ENA / 03.3V 4 DI HW FAULT / 05.0V TaTd/010mA / 03.0V
AIs DC	Analog Inputs DC side	3 VDC AIs /05.0V 1 VDC AI /05.0V or IDC AI 1 IDC AI / -4545mA* 1 DI & 1 DO / 03.3V +3.3V
AIs AC	Analog Inputs AC side	9 VAC AIs / -5+5V 8 IAC AIs / -6060mA* 2 GP AIs / 0+3.0V +1.5V Ref, +3.0V Ref +3.3V
AOs	Analog Outputs (optional)	4 AOs / 03.0V
DIOs	Digital Inputs and Outputs	25 DIOs / 03.3V
Ta, Tb, Tc, Td, T1, T2	Temperature measurements	TaTd / 010mA/03.0V T1,T2 / 03.0V
SCI1, SCI2	Serial Interfaces	GUI/CLI/Diagnostic Tool
IPC	Inter-processor communication port	Not used
PS	Power Supply	4.515V / 1A
	DSP JTAG	Not used

bipolar voltage signals 0..3.0V referenced to +1.5V Ref



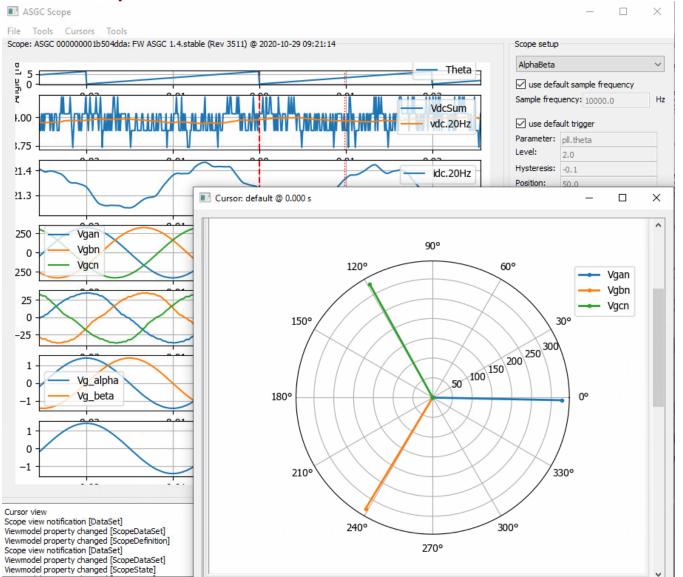


Pre-conditioning modules available for the AC and DC voltage and current ranges from 0...3.3kV and 2...+2kVA respectively

Gate drive hats: digital logic and voltage levels, current driven and fiber optic gates signals

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DIAGNOSTICS

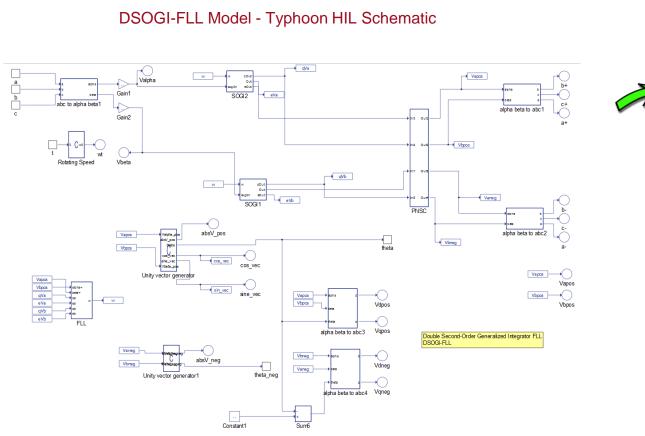
•AIT Data Logger – log the target application and power converter data into the CSV file

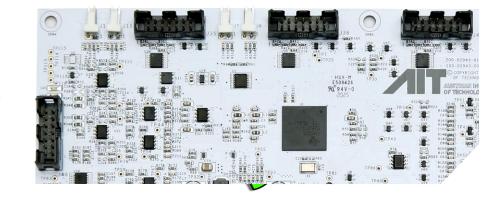
•AIT Scope/Phasor/Locus tool – a powerful diagnostic tool, able to capture the internal controller waveforms, state space vectors, statuses, and display them as scope snapshots, phasors and locus diagrams

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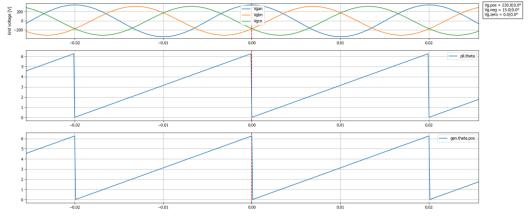
Model based Rapid Control Prototyping and Development

AIT SGC Control





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AIT SGC Scope

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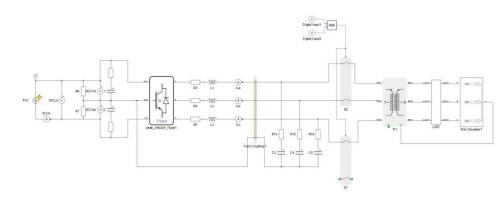
AIT SGC C-HIL Setup

• Typhoon HIL & AIT SGC HIL Controller



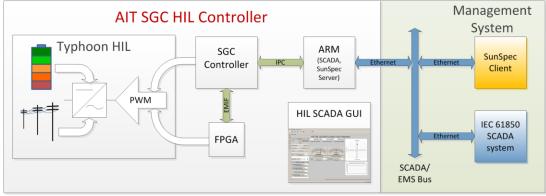


AIT SGC HIL Schematic Model





• AIT SGC HIL Controller Block Diagram



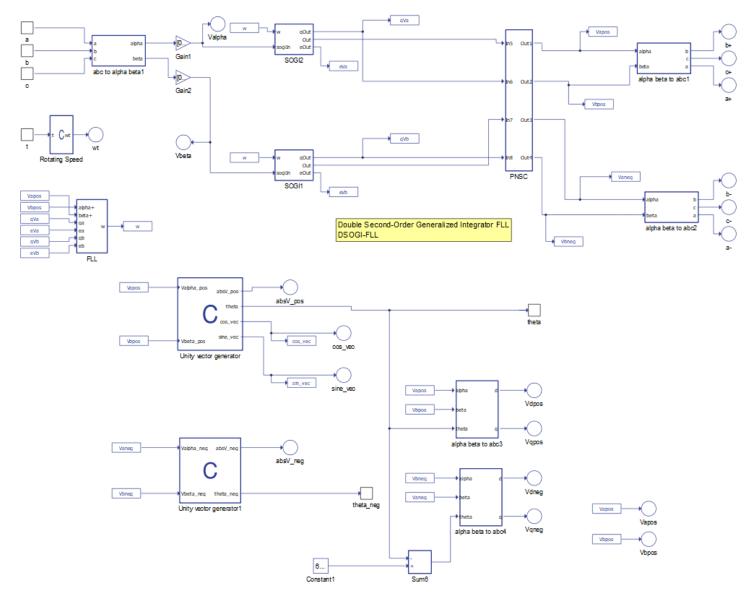
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Simulation and Modelling tools

- Grid Sync DSOGI FLL
- Reference Rapid Control Prototyping
- Reference Power Converter Application



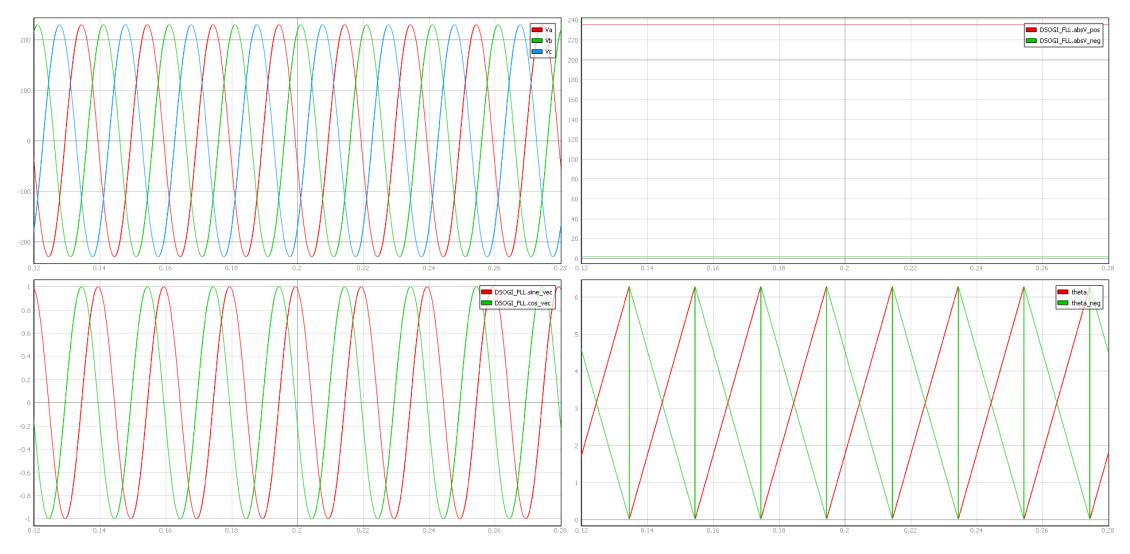
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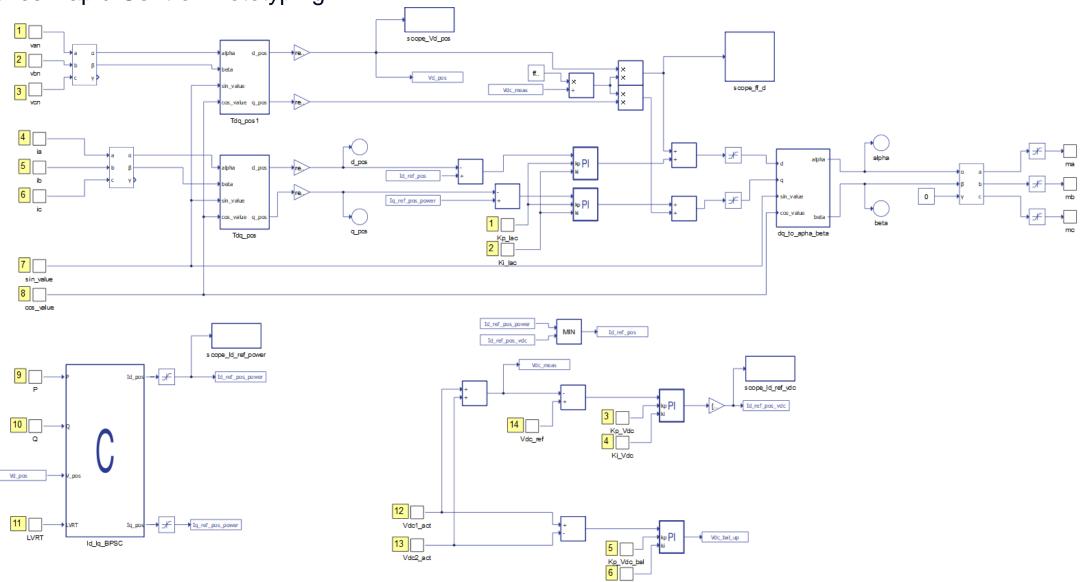
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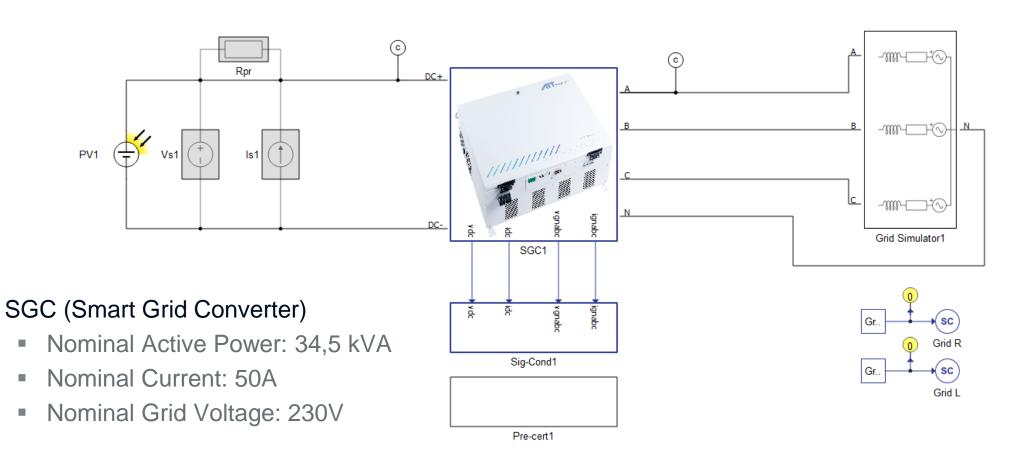




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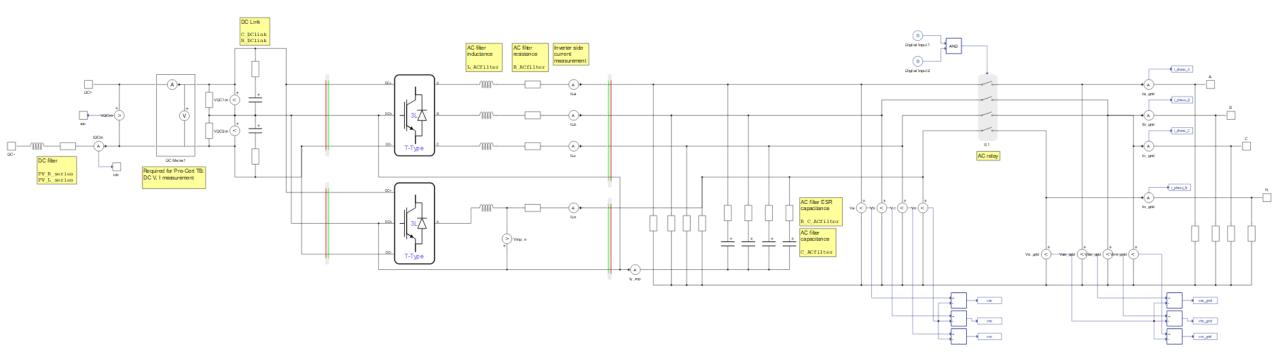
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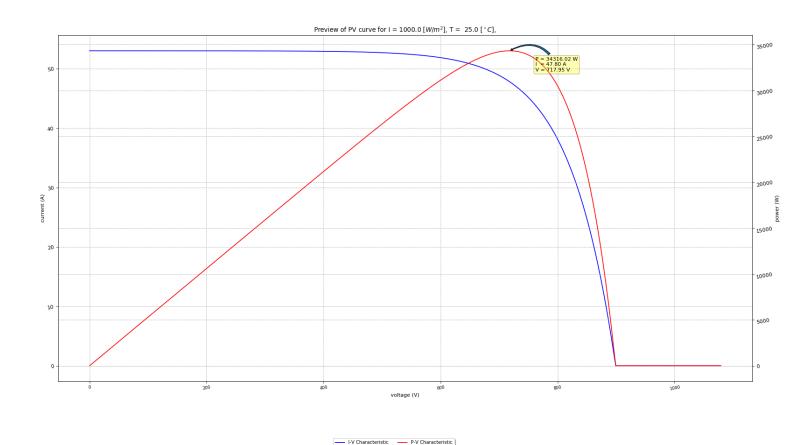
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- Power Stage of the Converter





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PV Curve

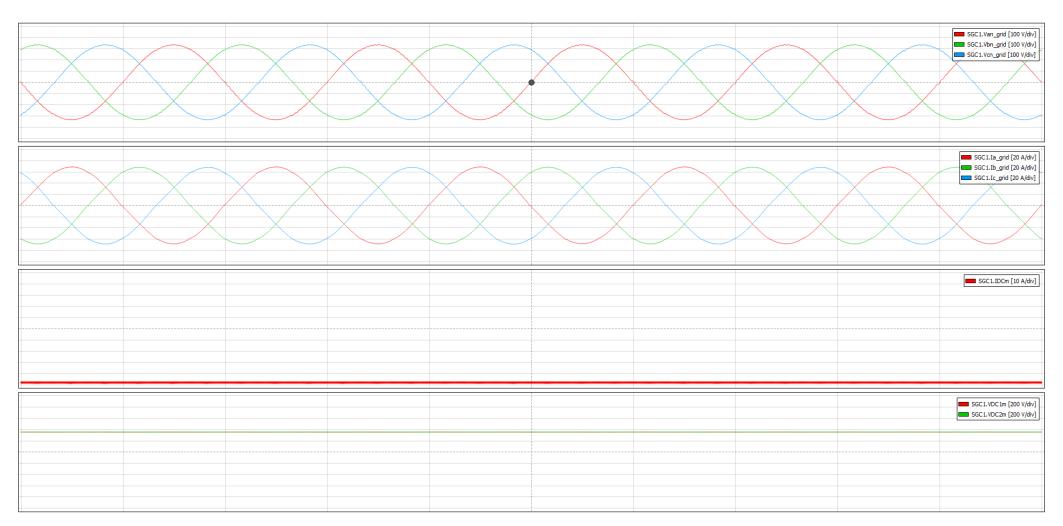




- PV curve defines how the PV panel generates the power on the DC side of the converter
- Maximum Power Point (MPP) is set to the nominal power of the converter
- Once the converter is powered on, MPPT algorithm tracks the MPP

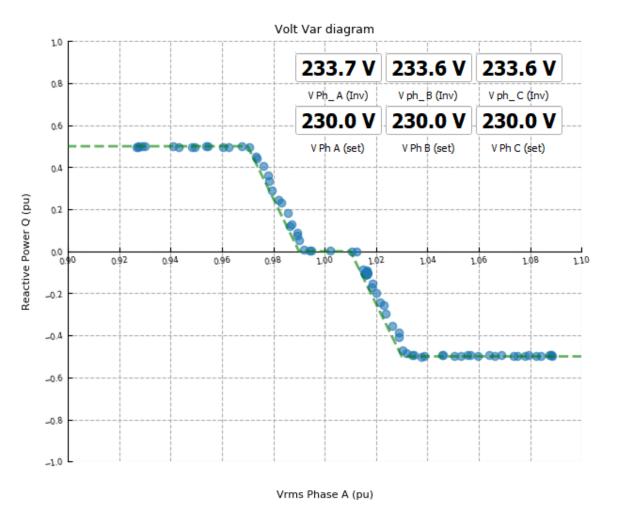
- 3. Reference Simulation Models
- AC and DC Voltage and Current Signals





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Volt-Var Example



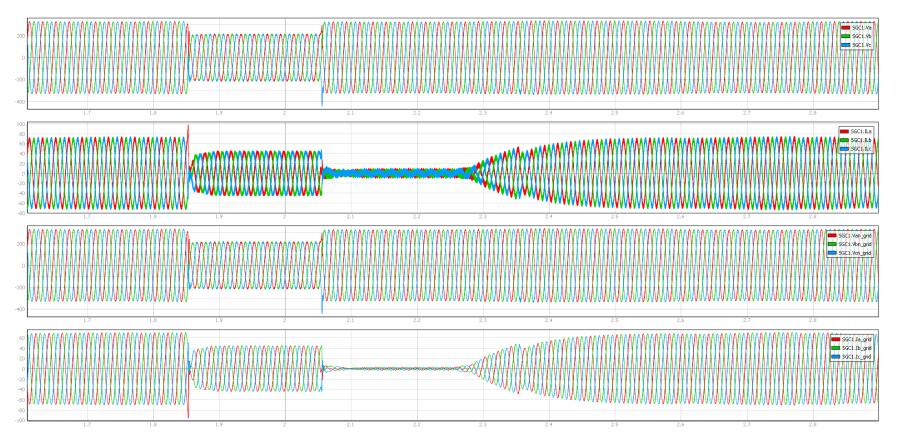


- Grid Functions:
 - Volt-Var
 - Volt-Watt
 - Frequency-Watt

Volt-Var Example

- Reference curve:
 [0.97, 0.5], [0.99, 0.0], [1.01, 0.0], [1.03, -0.5]
- AC voltage between 0.99pu and 1.01pu: no reactive power contribution
- AC voltage increases above 1.01pu: negative reactive power contribution
- AC voltage decreases below 0.99pu: positive reactive power contribution

- 3. Reference Simulation Models
- LVRT Example





- Voltage dip
- Converter stops active power generation and contributes only reactive current until voltage is restored
- After the dip, converter restores active power to the value before the dip



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