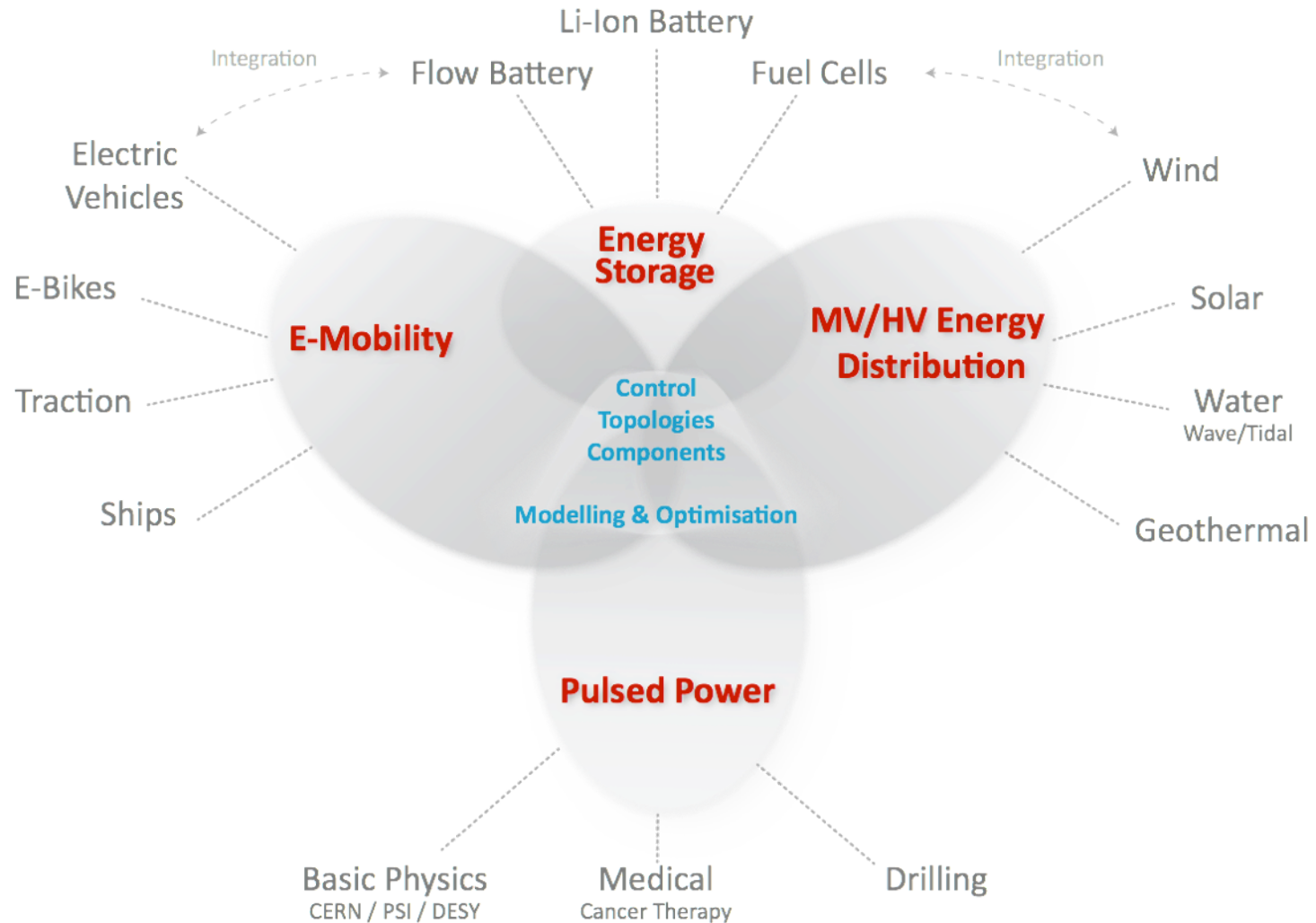


State-of-the-Art Solid State Pulse Modulators

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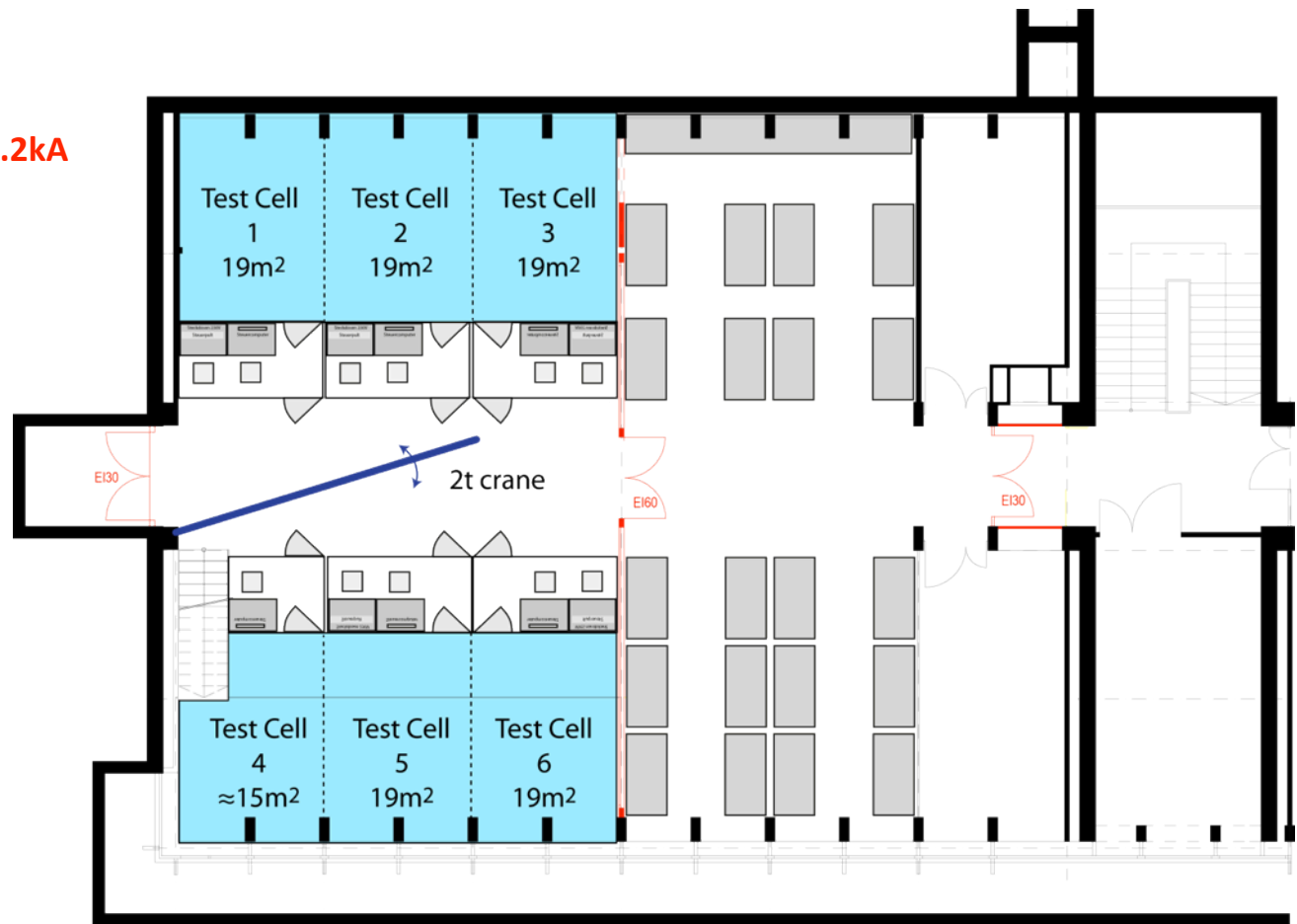


Focus Application Areas



High Power Laboratory - Facilities

- 3 Reconfigurable Faraday Test Cells
- 3 Reconfigurable Fence-Test Cells
- Max. Cell Size: 57m²
- Sources:
 - 0..400V/800V 250kVA
 - 0..25kV_{AC} 250kVA
 - 0..35kV_{DC} 250kW
 - 0..2kV_{DC} 100kW /1.2kA (Bidirectional)
- 150kW Water Cooling
- 2 x 30kW Air Cooling
- 2t Crane



Pulse Modulator Basic Topologies

Pulsed Power / Pulse Length for typical Applications

1) Basic concepts

2) Short pulse modulator

- Matrix transformer
- Premagnetisation
- Bouncer / Gate unit
- Precise Charging

3) Mid range modulator

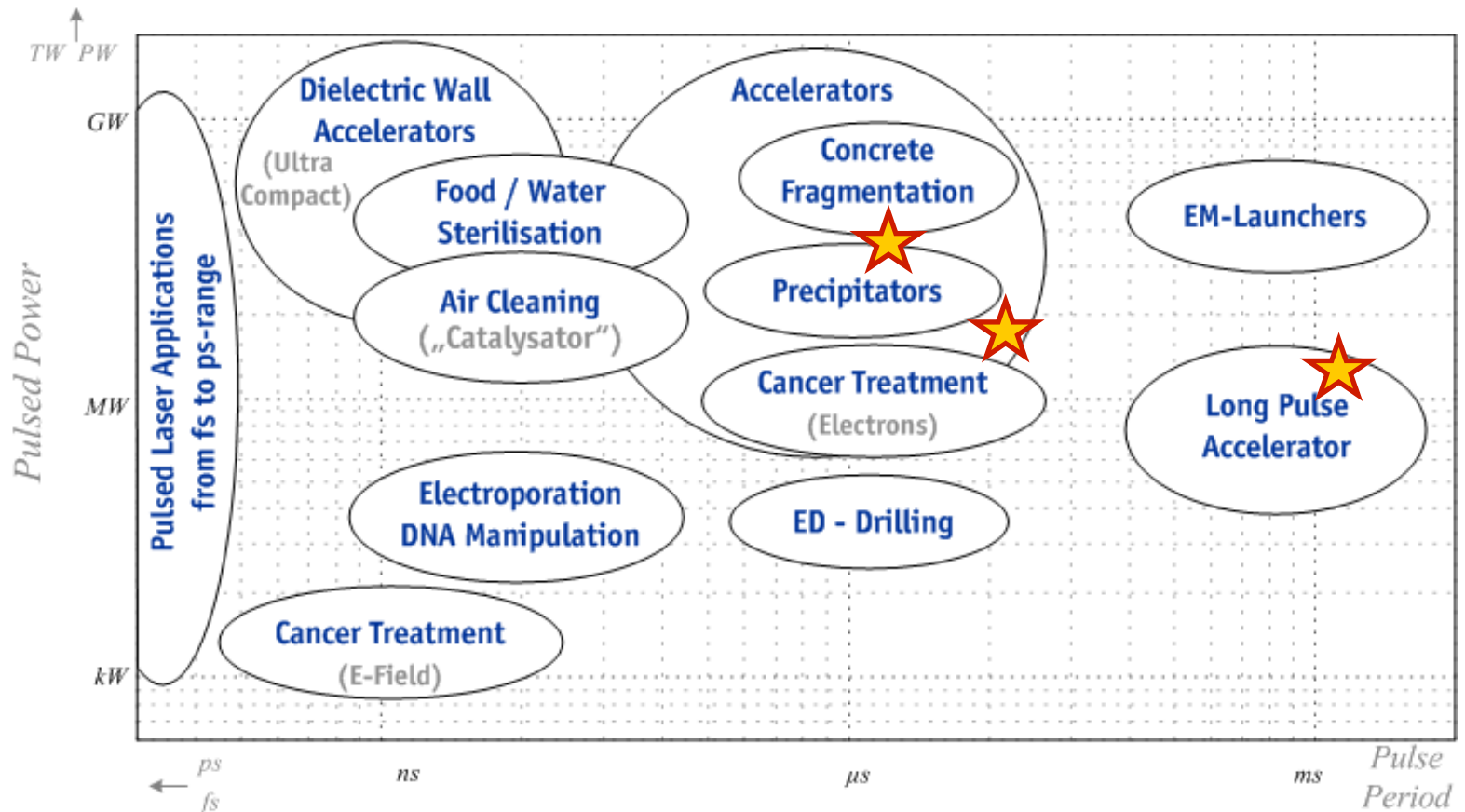
- Active bouncer

4) Long pulse modulator

- Basic concept
- Design of a module

Collaboration:

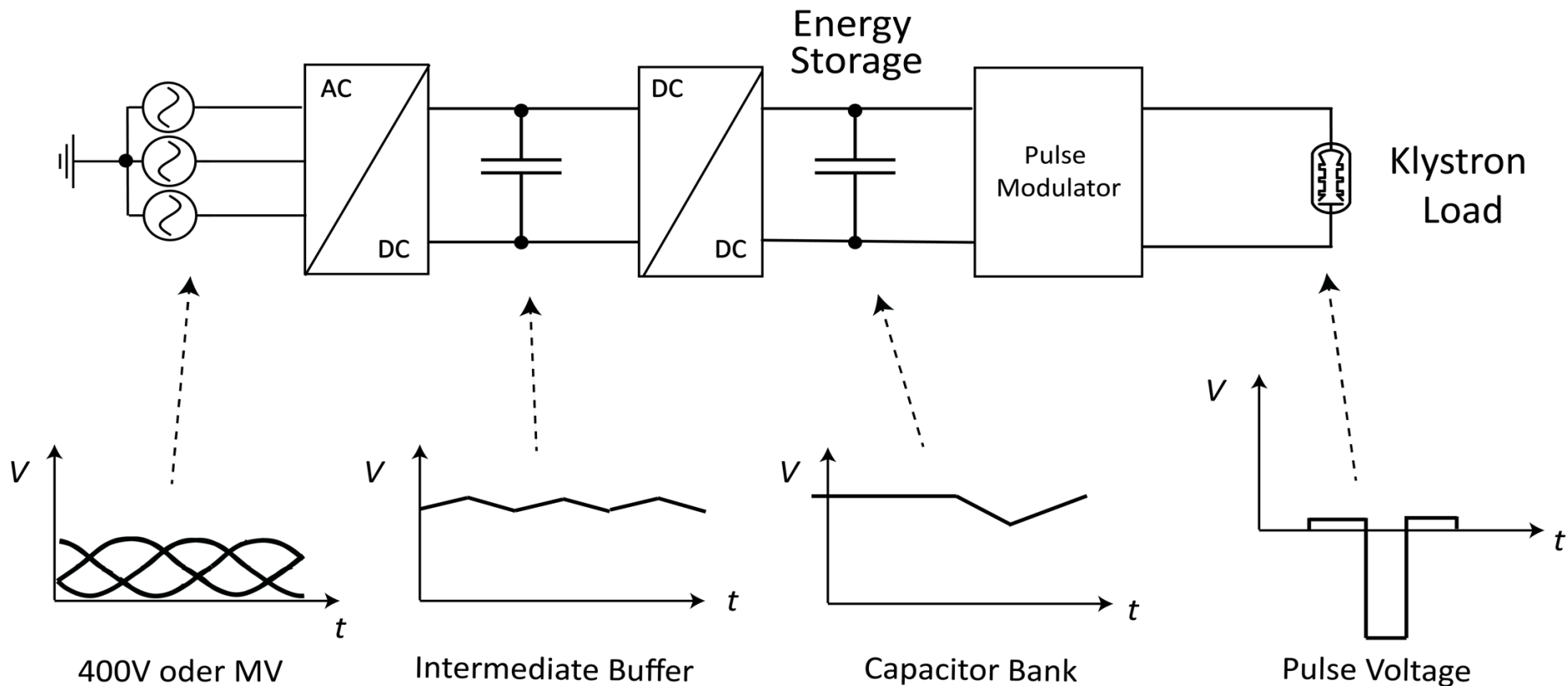
- Ampegon, PPT, ABB, Lasslop
- PSI & CERN



Typical Topology of a Solid State Pulse Generator System

Typical topology of a solid state pulse modulator

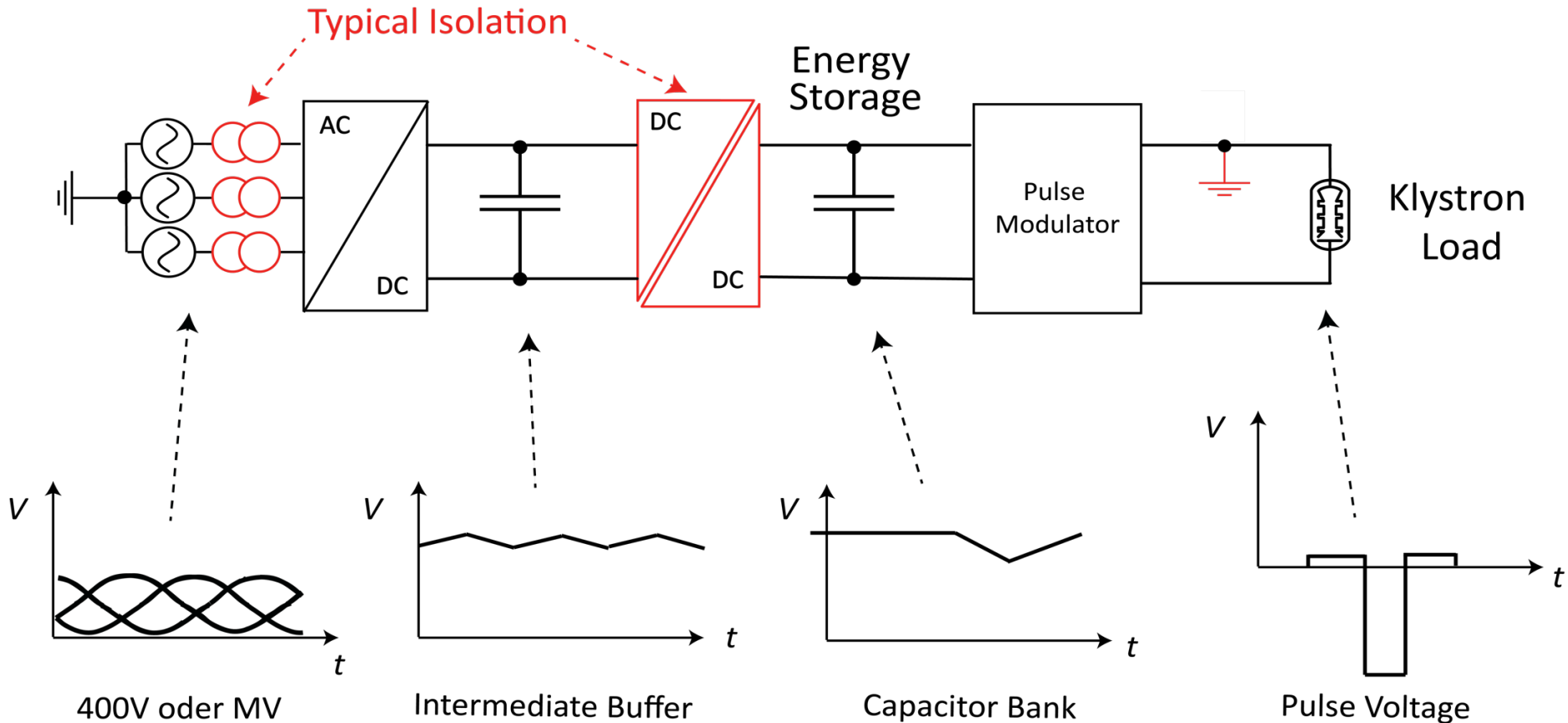
- AC/DC rectifier unit
- DC/DC converter for charging C-bank / voltage adaption
- Pulse generation unit
- Load e.g. klystron



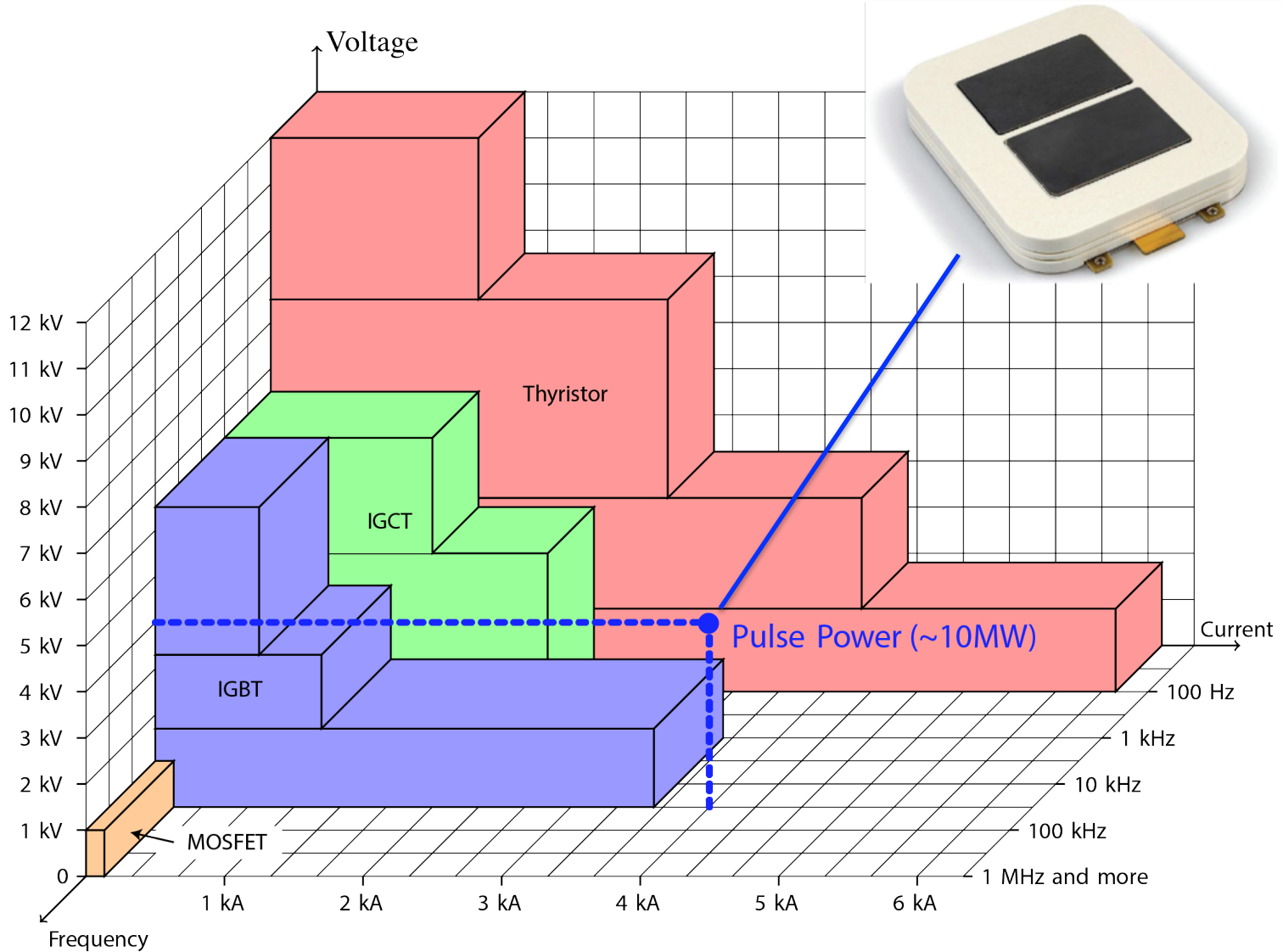
Typical Topology of a Solid State Pulse Generator System

Typical topology of a solid state pulse modulator

- Isolation with 50Hz transformer or
- Isolated DC-DC converter

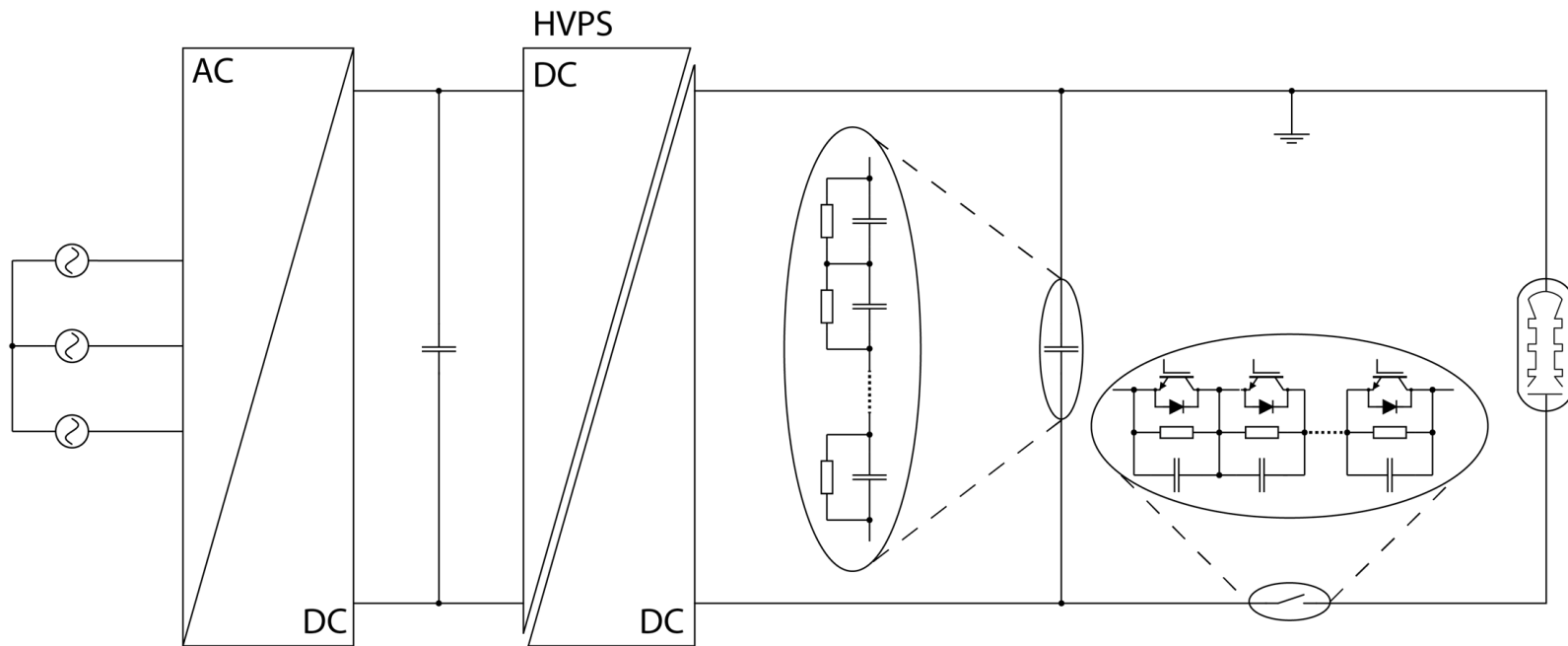


Solid State Switches



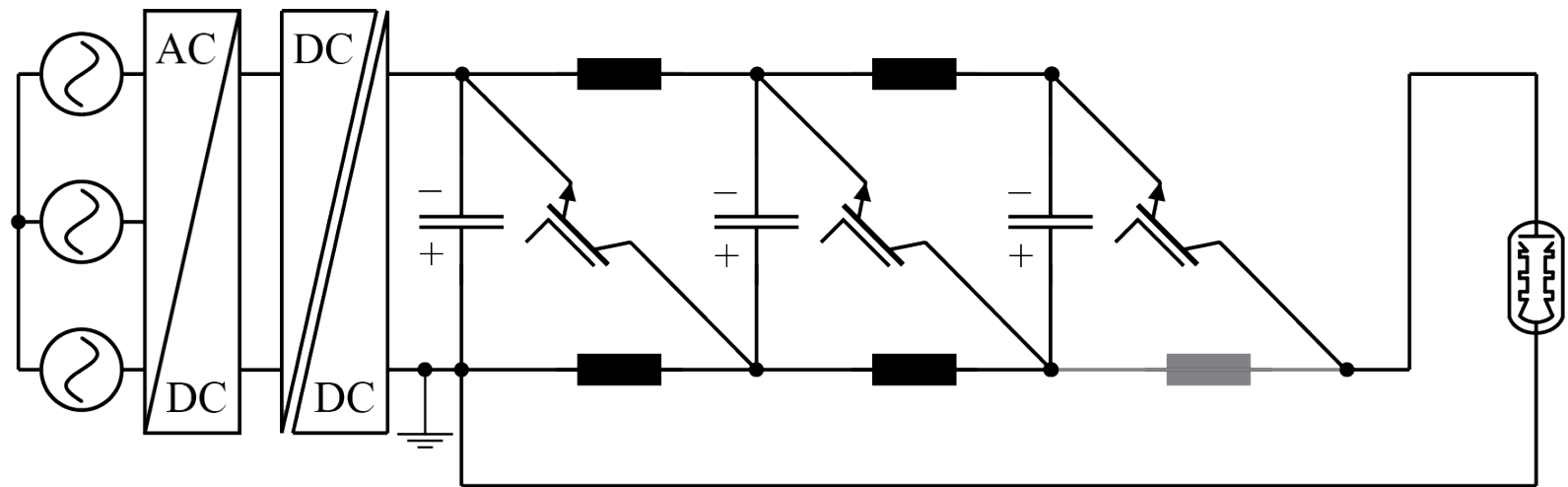
Modulator with High Voltage Switch

- Simple concept, but high no of switches
- High voltage supply required
- Voltage balancing of switches required
 - ➔ Reduction of switch operating voltage
 - ➔ Additional losses (balancing circuit + high no of switches)
 - ➔ Parasitic oscillations possible
- Isolated gate-drives/supplies required
- Limitation of short circuit current is critical (L required)
- Switch needs to be synchronized
- Variable pulse length possible



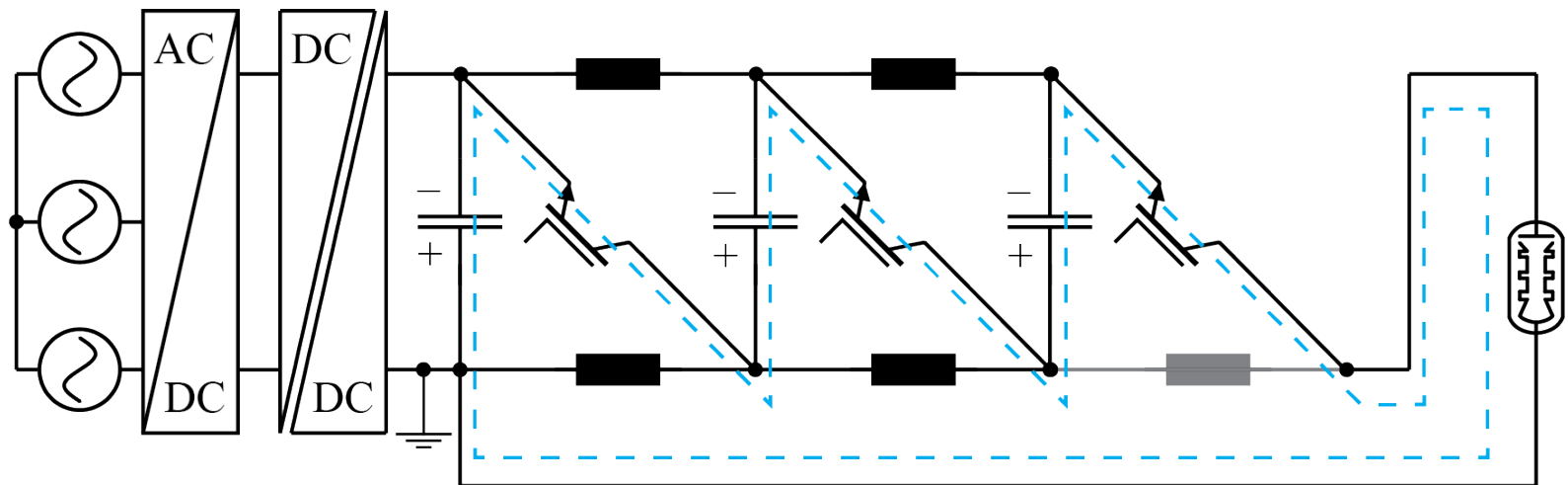
Modular: Marx-Type

- Voltage pulse by adding capacitor voltages
- Variable pulse voltage and arbitrary length possible
- Synchronous triggering of switches NOT required
 - ➔ Improved robustness
- Isolated gate-drives / gate-supplies



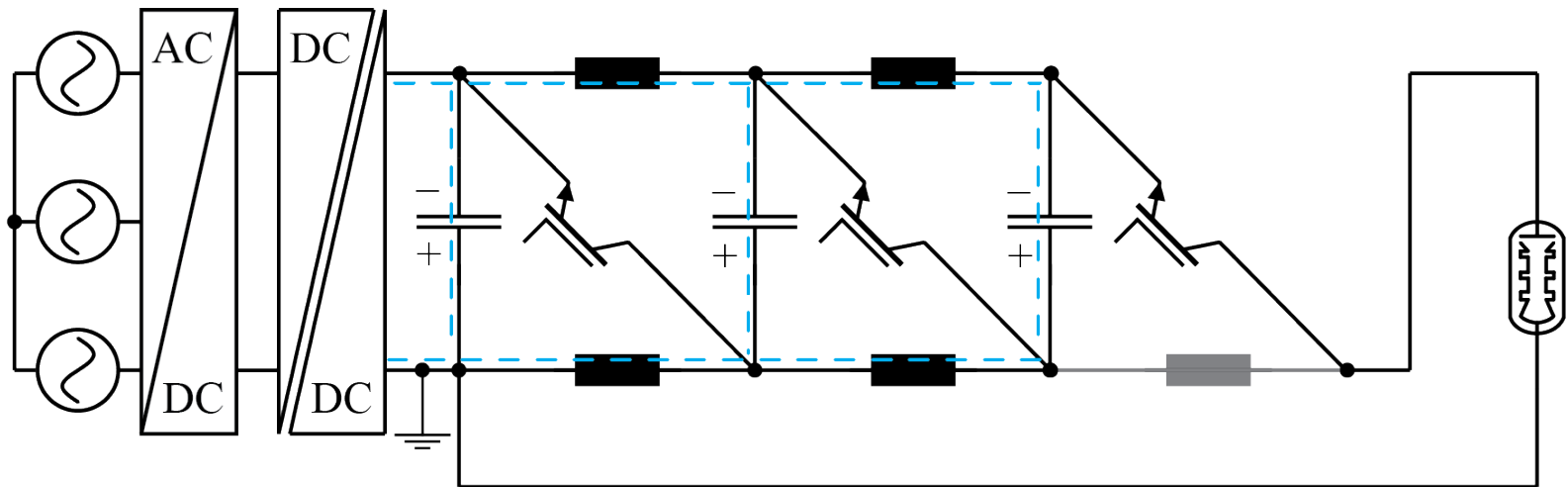
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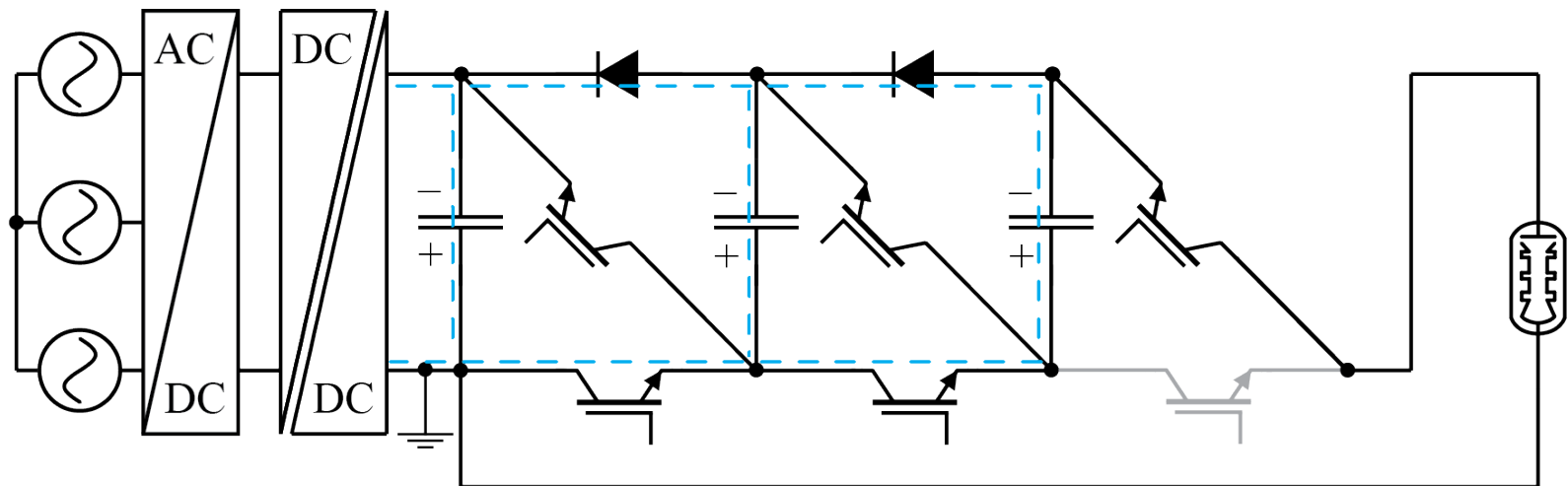
Modular: Marx-Type – Charging I

- Voltage pulse by adding capacitor voltages
- Variable pulse voltage of arbitrary length possible
- Synchronous triggering of switches NOT required
 - ➔ Improved robustness
- Isolated gate-drives / gate-supplies
- Problem: Energy in case of short circuit (L required / bipolar Marx)
- Capacitor charging via resistor/inductor
- Parasitics ➔ Oscillations possible



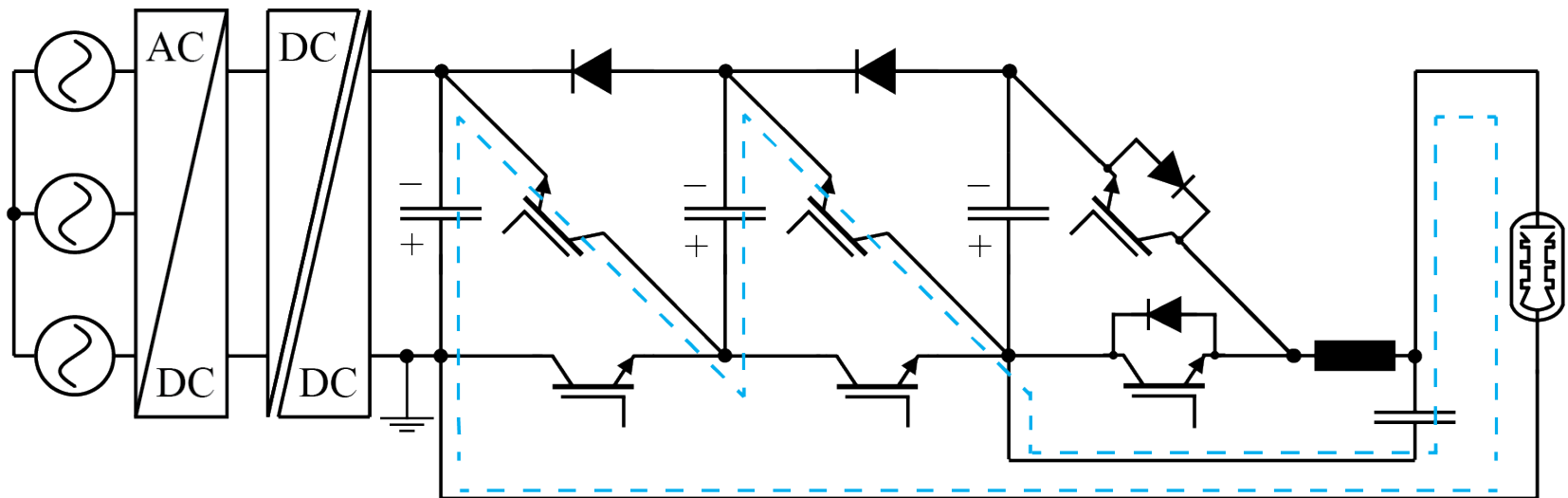
Modular: Marx-Type – Charging II

- Voltage pulse by adding capacitor voltages
- Variable pulse voltage of arbitrary length possible
- Synchronous triggering of switches NOT required
 - ➔ Improved robustness
- Isolated gate-drives / gate-supplies
- Problem: Energy in case of short circuit (L required / bipolar Marx)
- Capacitor charging via resistor/inductor or switch/diode (➔ Long pulses)
- Parasitics ➔ Oscillations possible



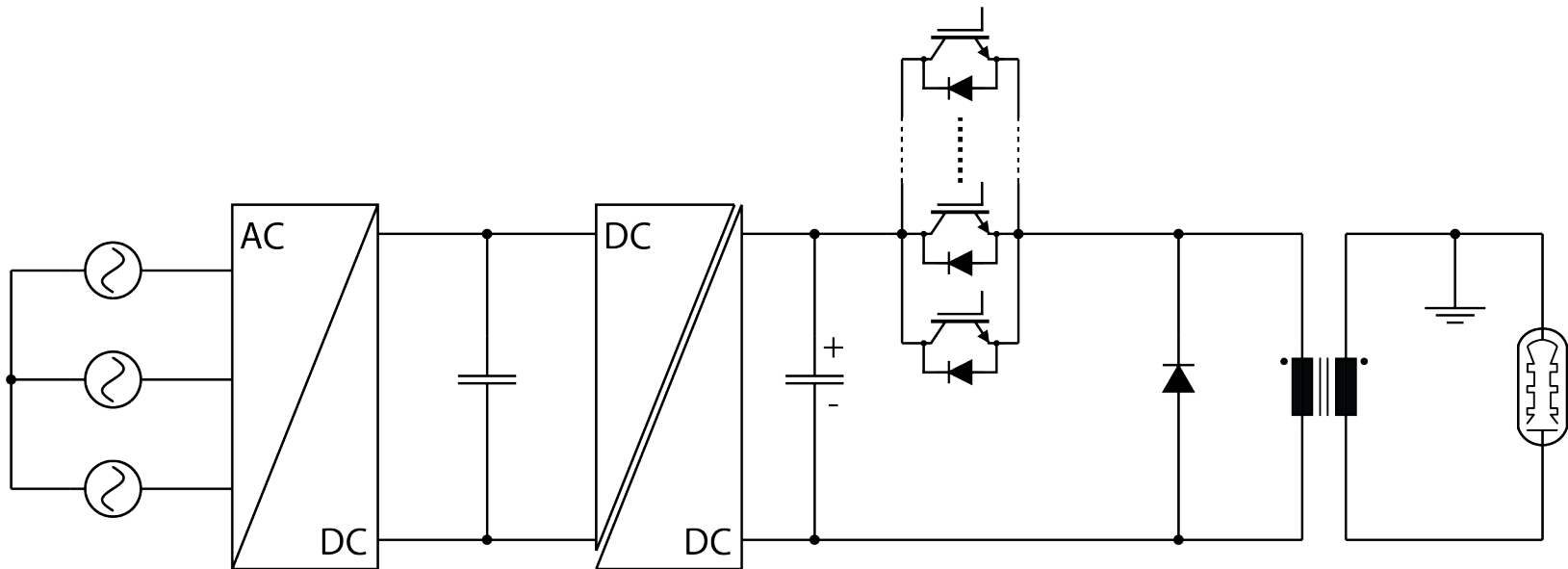
Modular: Marx-Type + PWM Cell

- Voltage pulse by adding capacitor voltages
- Variable pulse voltage of arbitrary length possible
- Synchronous triggering of switches NOT required
 - ➔ Improved robustness
 - ➔ Droop compensation / pulse shaping (PWM)
- Isolated gate-drives / gate-supplies
- Problem: Energy in case of short circuit (L required / bipolar Marx)
- Capacitor charging via resistor/inductor or switch/diode (➔ Long pulses)
- Parasitics ➔ Oscillations possible



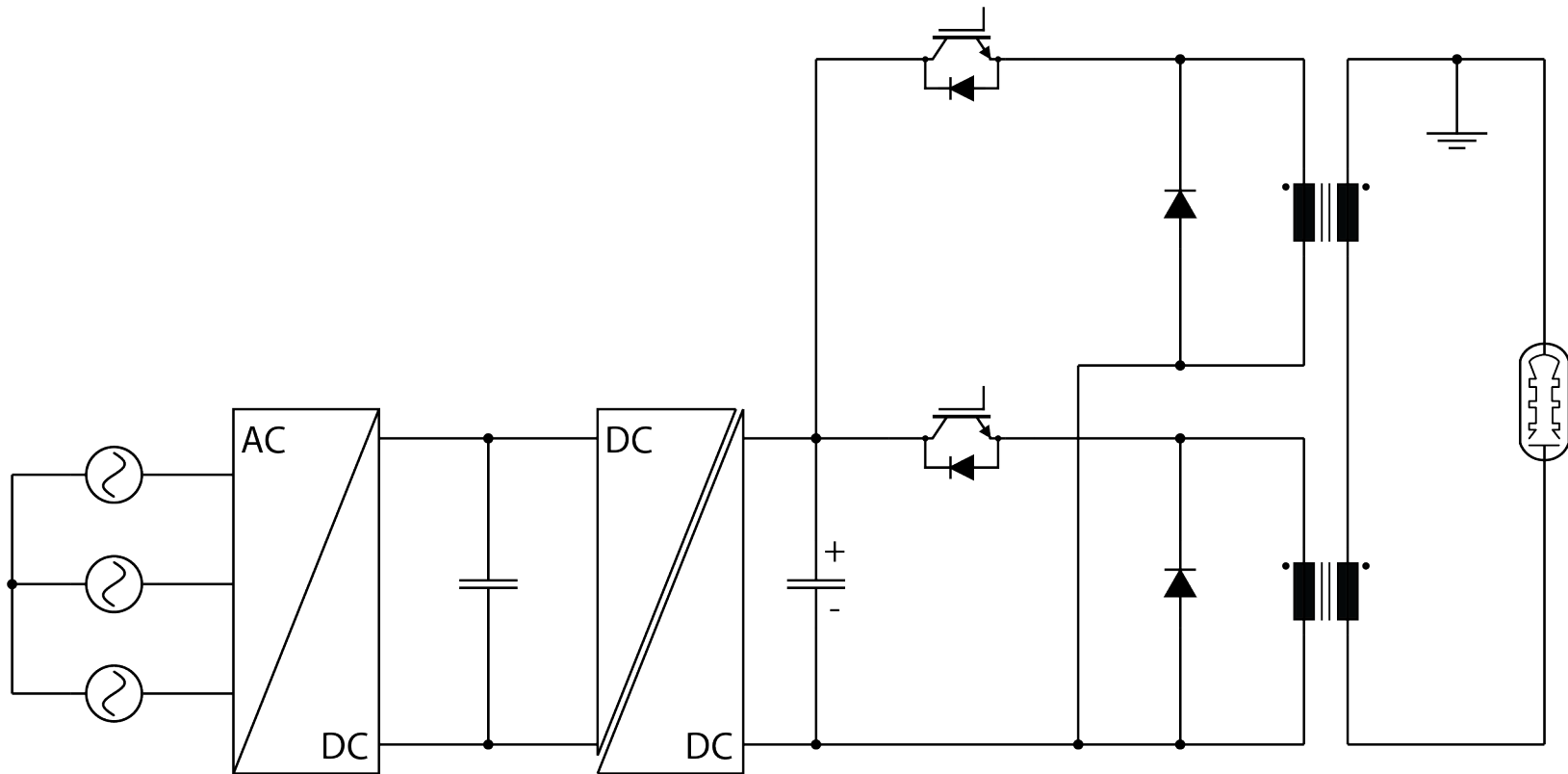
Pulse Transformer Based

- High pulse voltage is generated by transformer
- Adaption to switch operating voltage possible
- Series and/or parallel operation of switches
 - Series: Voltage balancing
 - Parallel: Current balancing
 - ➔ No of switches reduced
 - ➔ Separate gate drives
- Primary voltage does NOT influence pulse shape
- Pulse length is limited by transformer



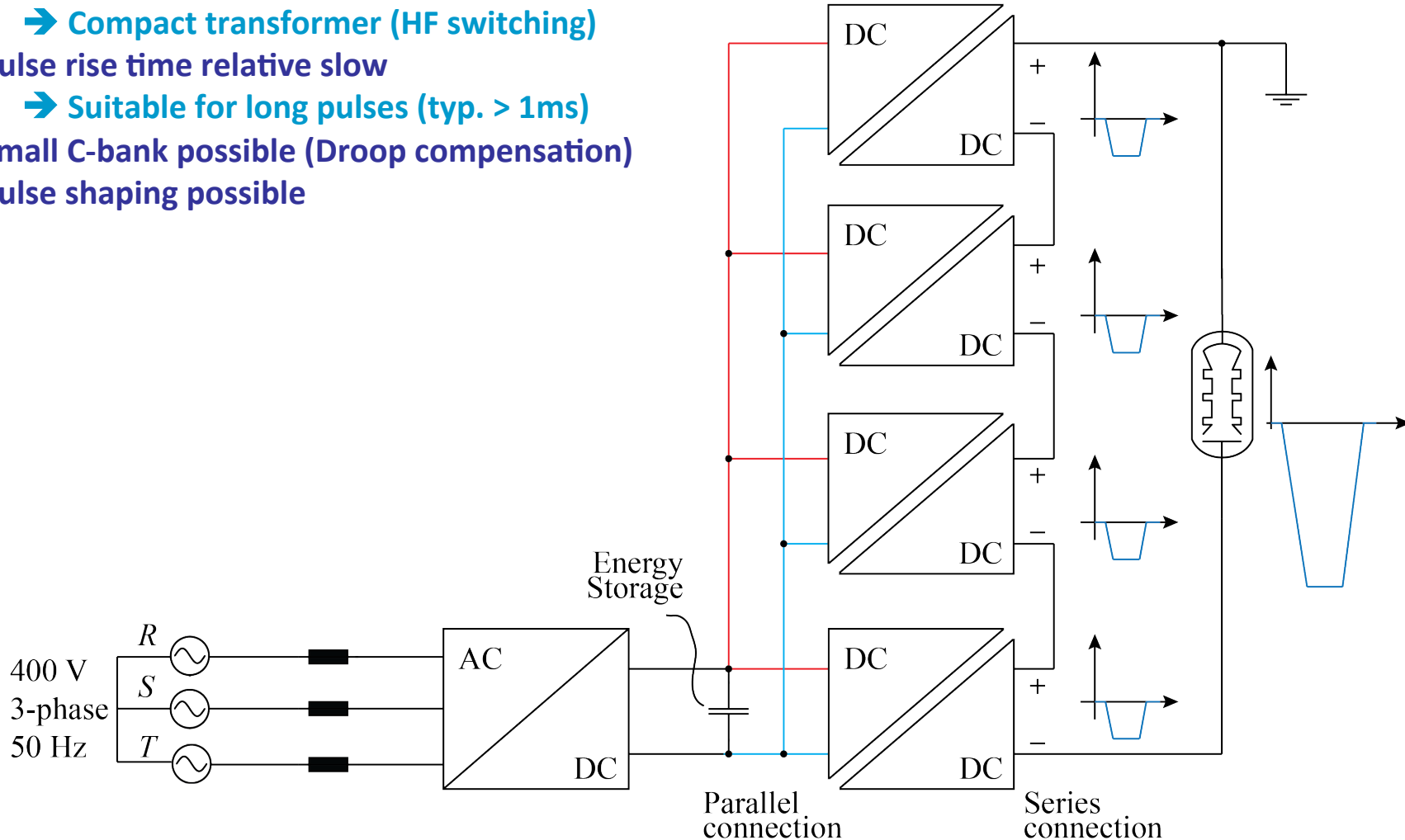
Pulse Transformer Based – Matrix Transformer

- **Separate windings/transformers per switch**
 - ➔ **Voltage/current balancing is achieved**
- **Name: *Split Core / Matrix Transformer / Inductive Adder*** (same basic concept)
 - ➔ **Further details: Later**



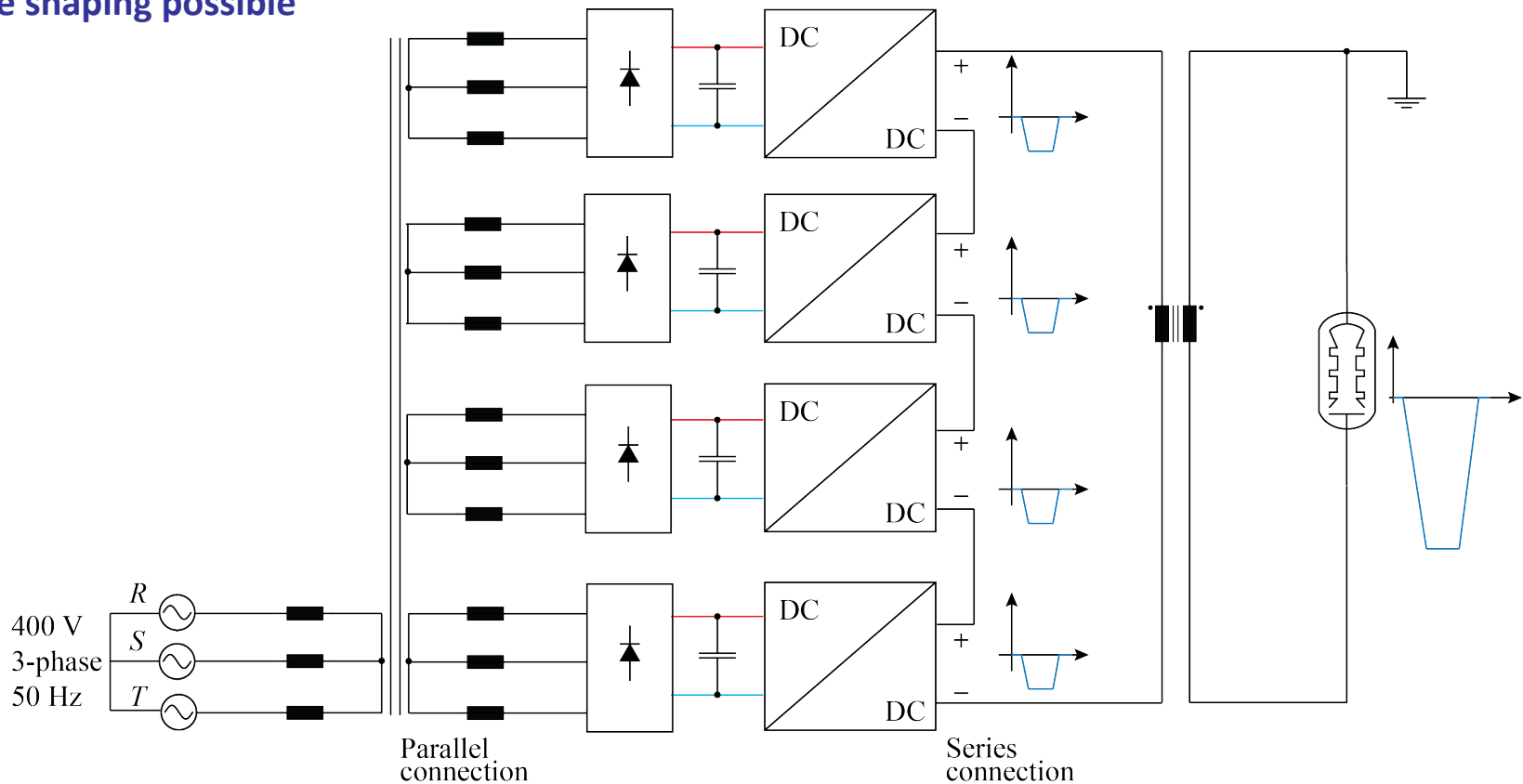
DC-DC Converter Based

- Adding output voltage of isolated DC-DC converters
 - Parallel in / serial out
 - Compact transformer (HF switching)
- Pulse rise time relative slow
 - Suitable for long pulses (typ. > 1ms)
- Small C-bank possible (Droop compensation)
- Pulse shaping possible



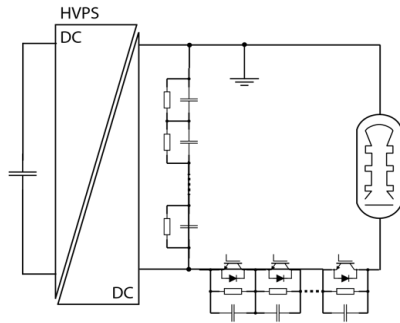
DC-DC Converter Based – PSM Modulator

- Adding output voltage of non-isolated DC-DC converters
 - ➔ Generate primary voltage for transformer
- Pulse rise time relative slow
 - ➔ Suitable for long pulses (typ. > 1ms)
- Pulse length limited by pulse transformer
- Pulse shaping possible

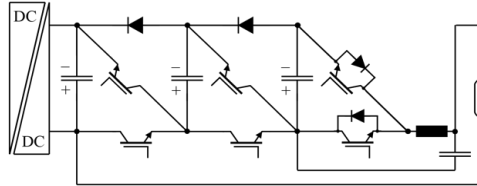


Topology Comparison

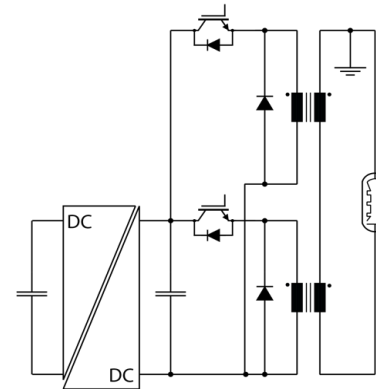
Direct Modulator



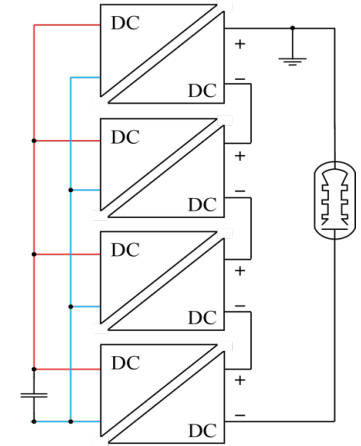
Marx Type



Matrix Pulse Trafo



DC-DC Converter



Transformer Based

Arbitrary Pulse Length

Arbitrary Length

Fast Rise Time

Inherent Short Circuit Current Limitation

Adaption to Switch Operation Voltage

Power Electronics on Low Voltage

No Sync of Semiconductors

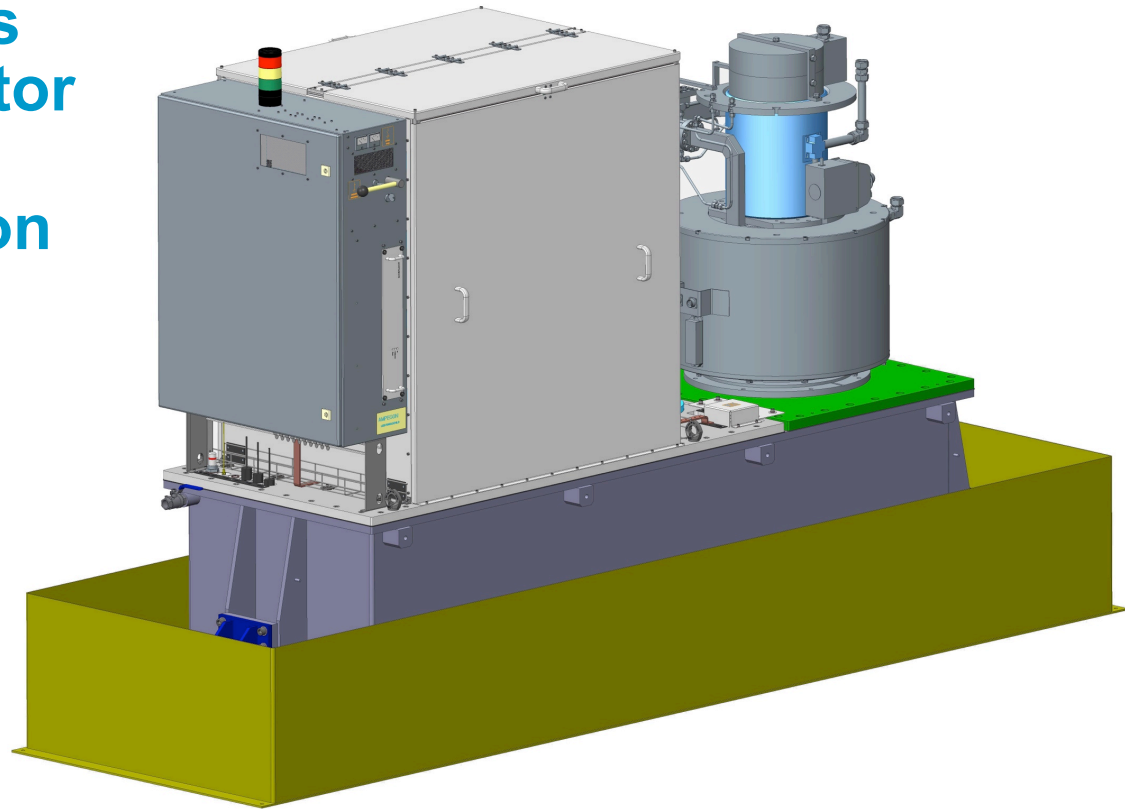
or Modules necessary

High number of Switches

High # of Switches

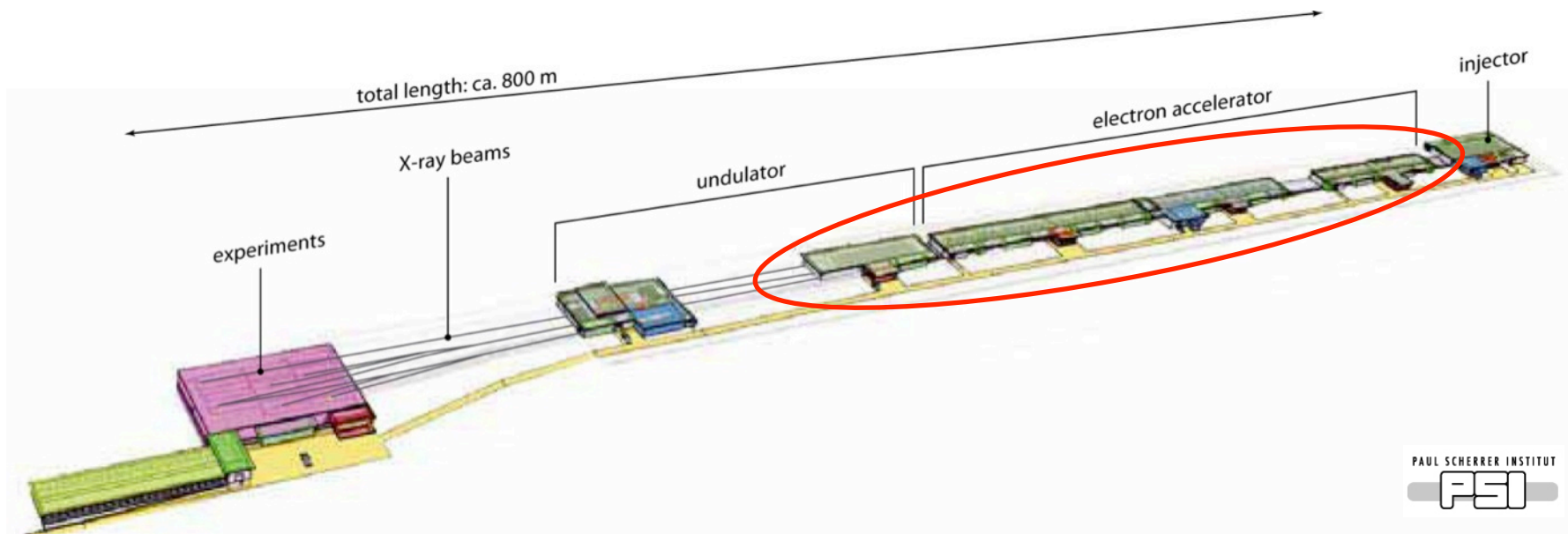
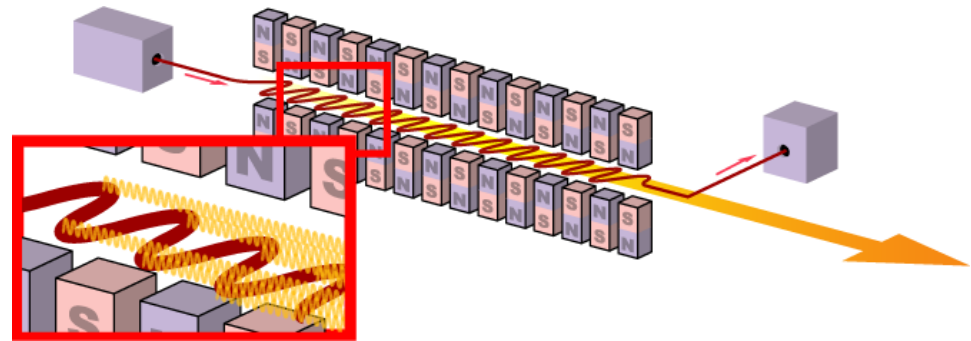
Short Pulse Modulator ($\sim \mu\text{s}$ -range)

**127MW/370kV/3 μs
Solid State Modulator
with
Ultra High Precision**



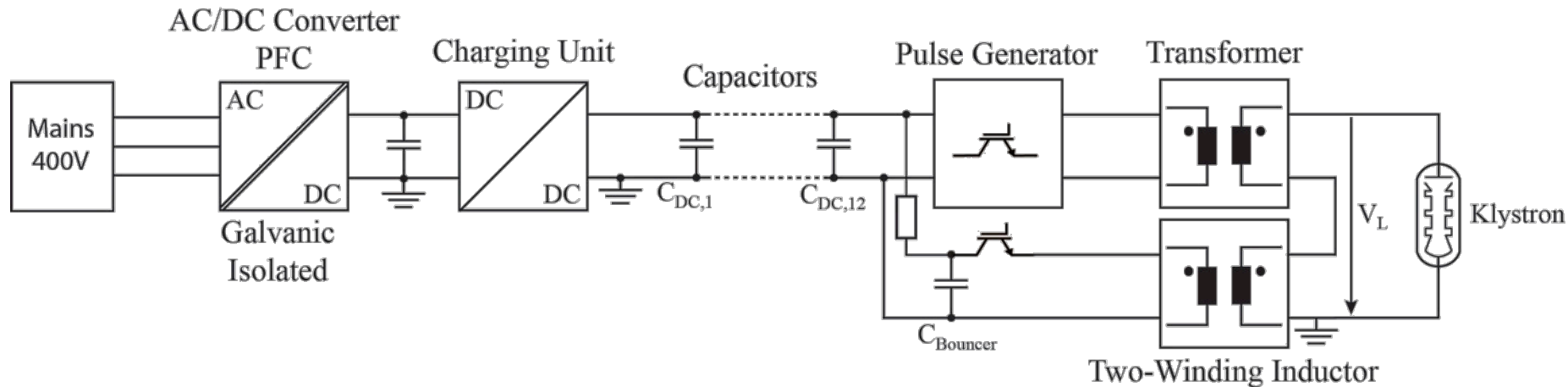
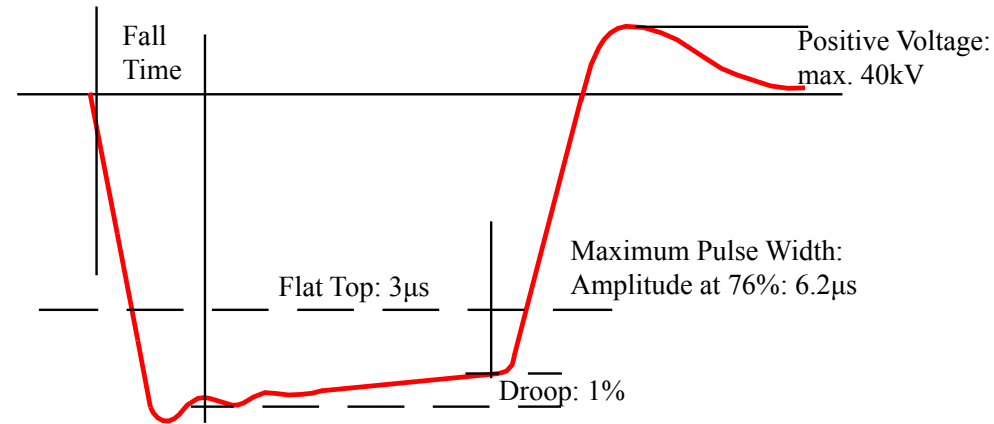
SwissFEL → Seminar: Swiss FEL – this evening by Dr. Braun

- Free electron laser
 - Electron beam energy
 - Repetition rate
 - Total electric power
 - Wavelength range
- X-Rays
5.8GeV
100Hz
5MW
1Å to 70Å



127 MW Solid-State Modulator

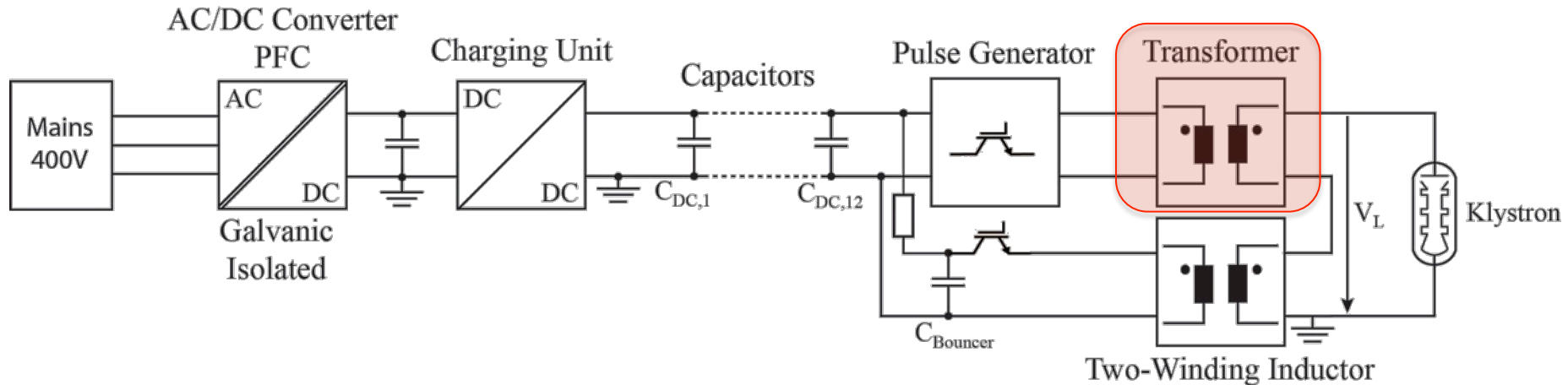
- DC supply voltage $V_{DC} = 3\text{kV} \pm 30\text{mV}$
- Output voltage $V_L = 370\text{kV}$
- Output power $P_{PEAK} = 127\text{MW}$
- Average power $P_{AVG} = 36\text{kW}$
- Pulse length $T_{PULSE} = 3\mu\text{s}$
- Repetition rate $f_{PULSE} = 100\text{Hz}-1\text{kHz}$
- Fall time $T_{FALL} < 1\mu\text{s}$
- Voltage drop $\Delta V_{TP} < 1\%$
- Repetition accuracy $< 10^{-5}$



Short Pulse Solid State Power Modulator

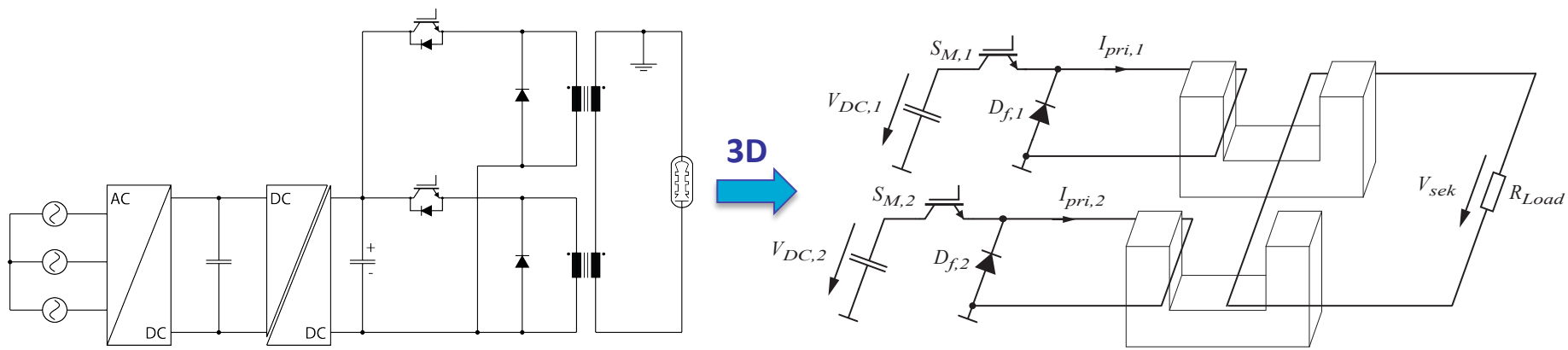


Matrix Transformer Concept



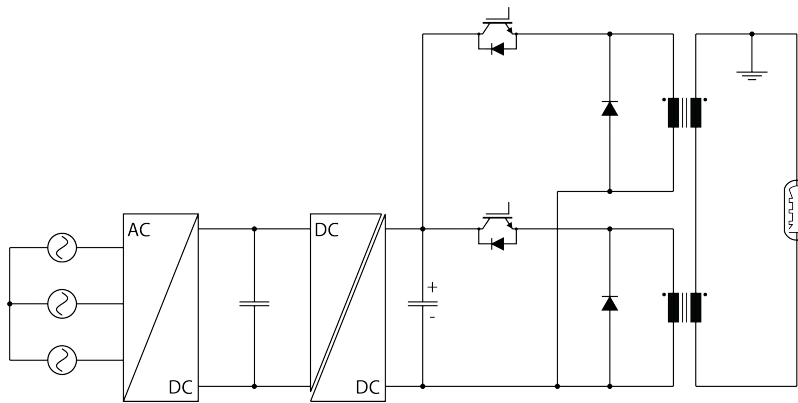
Matrix Transformer – Basic Concept I

- **Separate primary windings:**
 - **Inherent current balancing**

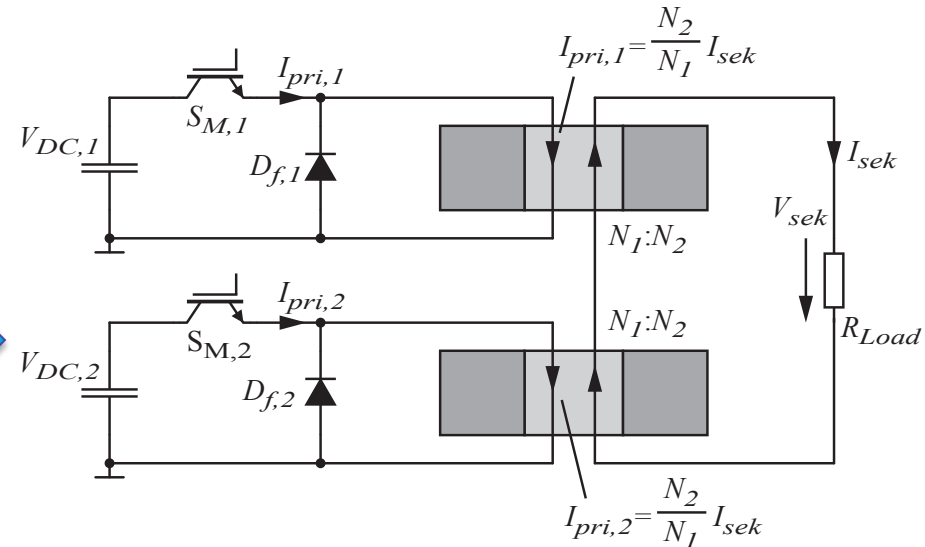


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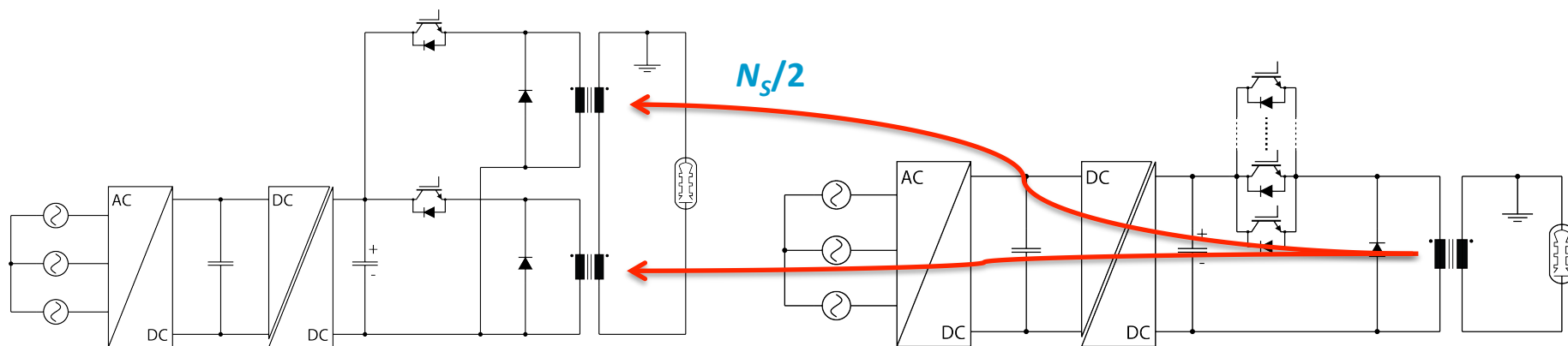


2D



Matrix Transformer – Basic Concept II

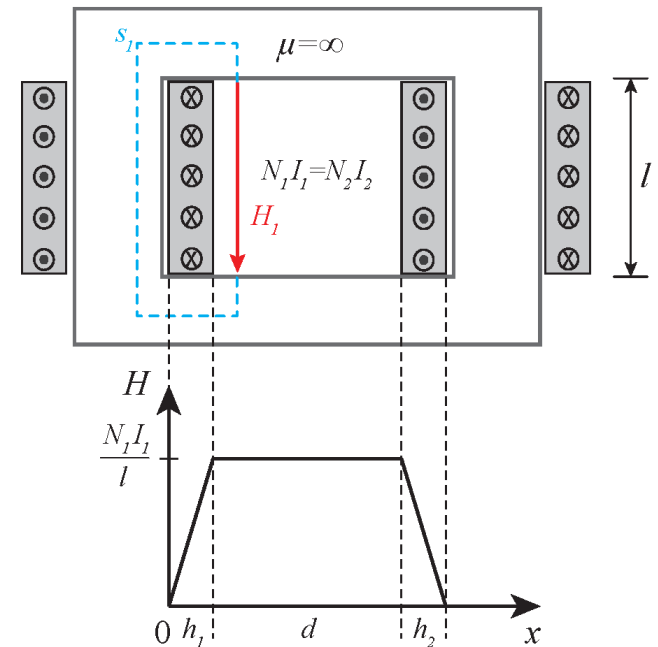
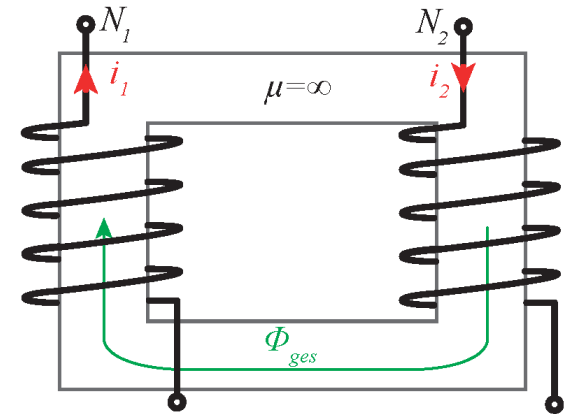
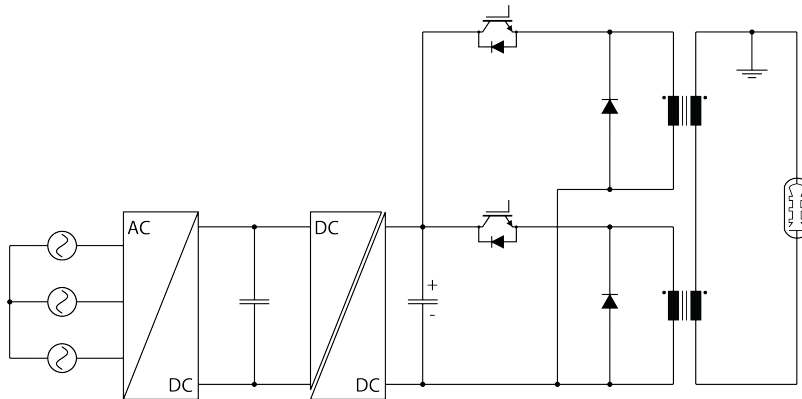
- **Separate primary windings:**
 - Inherent current balancing
 - 2 windings + 2 cores
 - ➔ Series connection on secondary side
 - Secondary turns ➔ $N_s/2$



Matrix Transformer – Leakage Inductance

- Leakage inductance L_σ :
 - Slower rise time
 - Overshoot (Oscillation)
 - ➔ Lower efficiency
- Calculation of L_σ :
 - Magnetic field between windings
 - Energy stored in field = Energy in L_σ
- L_σ depends on:
 - Volume between windings
 - Number of turns

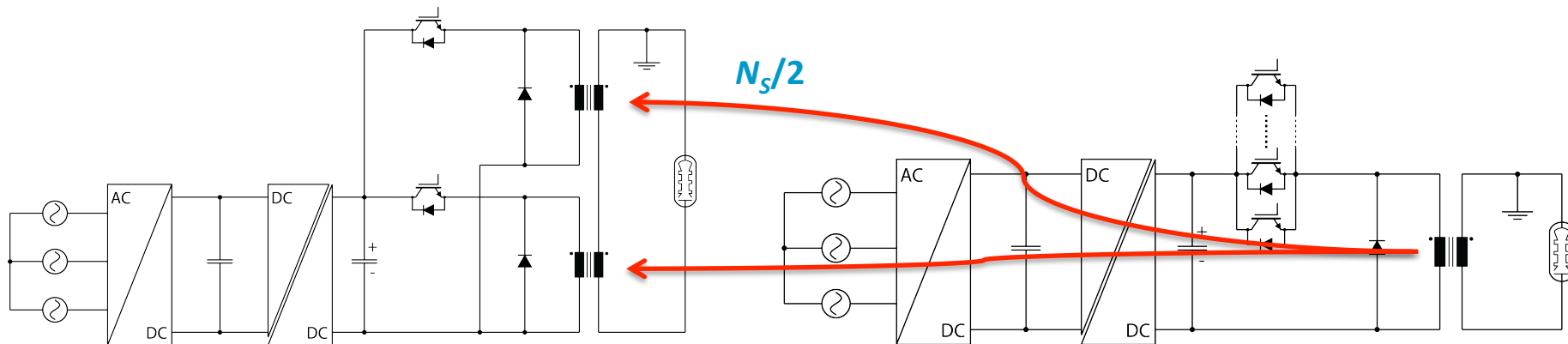
$$L_\sigma \sim \mu_0 N^2 \frac{l_W}{l} \left(\frac{h_1}{3} + d + \frac{h_2}{3} \right)$$



Matrix Transformer – Basic Concept II

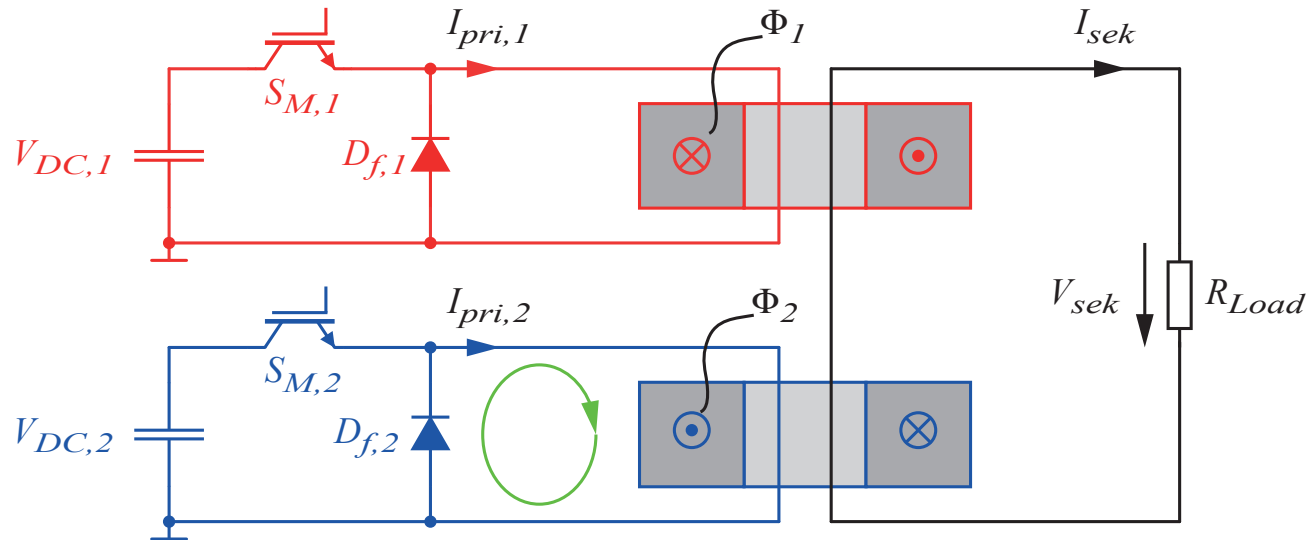
- **Separate primary windings:**
 - Inherent current balancing
 - 2 windings + 2 cores
 - "Virtual series connection"
 - Secondary turns → $N_s/2$
- **Advantages:**
 - $N_s/2$ → Leakage inductance ↓
 - No series/parallel connected IGBTs
- **Disadvantages:**
 - Doubling of core volume

$$L_{\sigma, Matrix} \sim 2Vol \left(\frac{N}{2} \right)^2 \sim \frac{L_{\sigma, Old}}{2}$$



Matrix Transformer – "Cross Conduction"

- **Problem: Non synchronous switching (e.g. $S_{M,2}$ delayed)**
 - Turn on of $S_{M,1}$: Induces flux Φ_1
 - Φ_1 induces voltage in secondary (V/2)
 - Current I_{sek} flows in secondary
 - Current I_{sek} induces flux Φ_2
 - Φ_2 induces voltage in primary 2
 - Diode $D_{f,2}$ starts to conduct ($I_{pri,2}$)
 - Turn on of switch $S_{M,2}$
 - ➔ Hard commutation of diode $D_{f,2}$



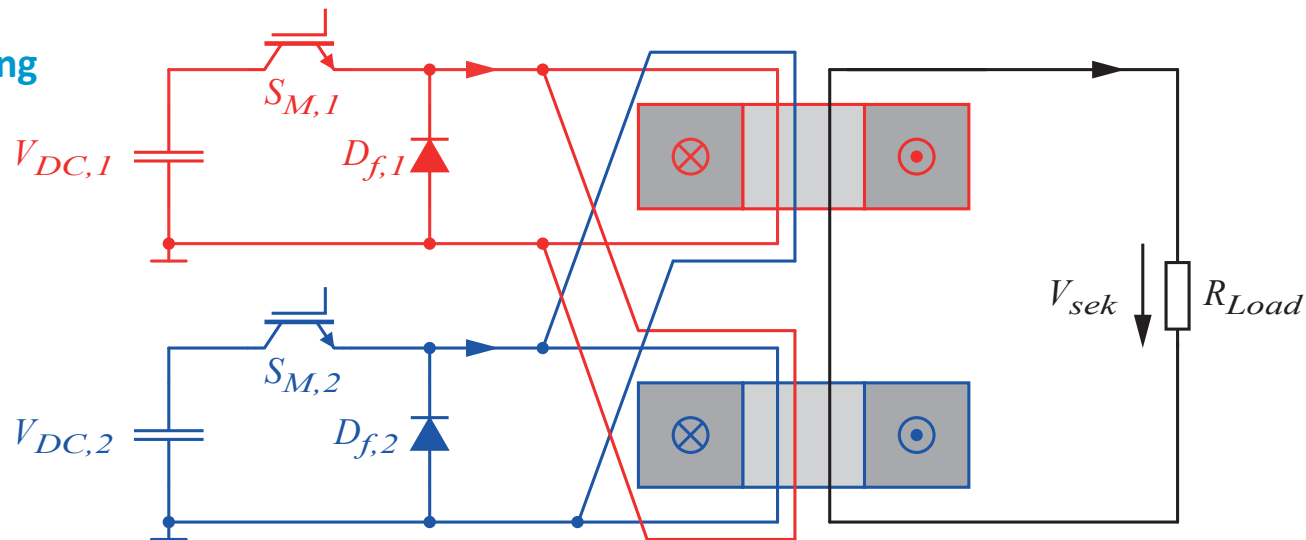
Matrix Transformer – "Cross Conduction" – Additional Winding

- **Problem: Non synchronous switching (e.g. $S_{M,2}$ delayed)**

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- Φ_1 induces voltage in secondary ($V/2$)
- Current I_{sek} flows in secondary
- Current I_{sek} induces flux Φ_2
- Φ_2 induces voltage in primary 2
- Diode $D_{f,2}$ starts to conduct ($I_{pri,2}$)
- Turn on of switch $S_{M,2}$
 - ➔ Hard commutation of diode $D_{f,2}$

- **Solutions:**

- Cross windings
or better:
- Synchronized switching
(Small delay is o.k.)



Matrix Transformer – Winding Shape

- **Winding shape:**

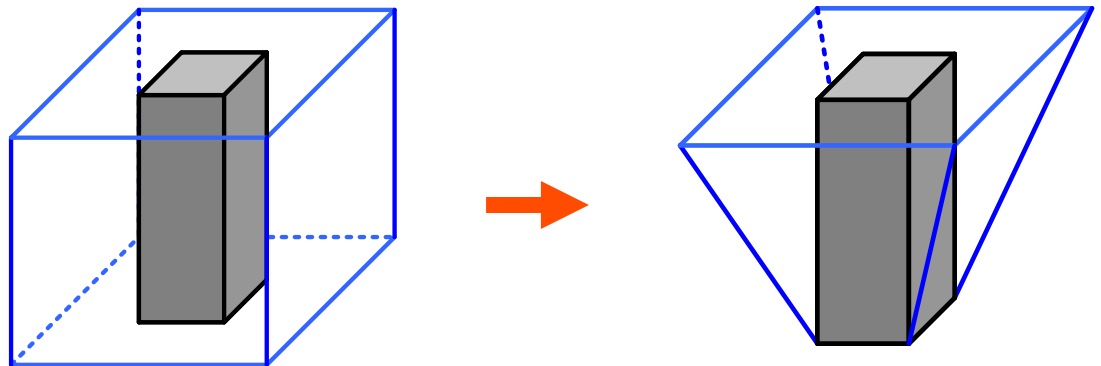
- **Parallel**

- ➔ Large volume between Pri/Sec
 - ➔ Large leakage inductance

- **Cone shape**

- ➔ Large distance @ high voltage
 - ➔ Volume / 2 -> Leakage / 2

$$L_{\sigma} \sim \mu_0 N^2 \frac{l_w}{l} \left(\frac{h_1}{3} + d + \frac{h_2}{3} \right)$$
$$\sim Vol N^2$$



Matrix Transformer – Parallel Secondary Windings

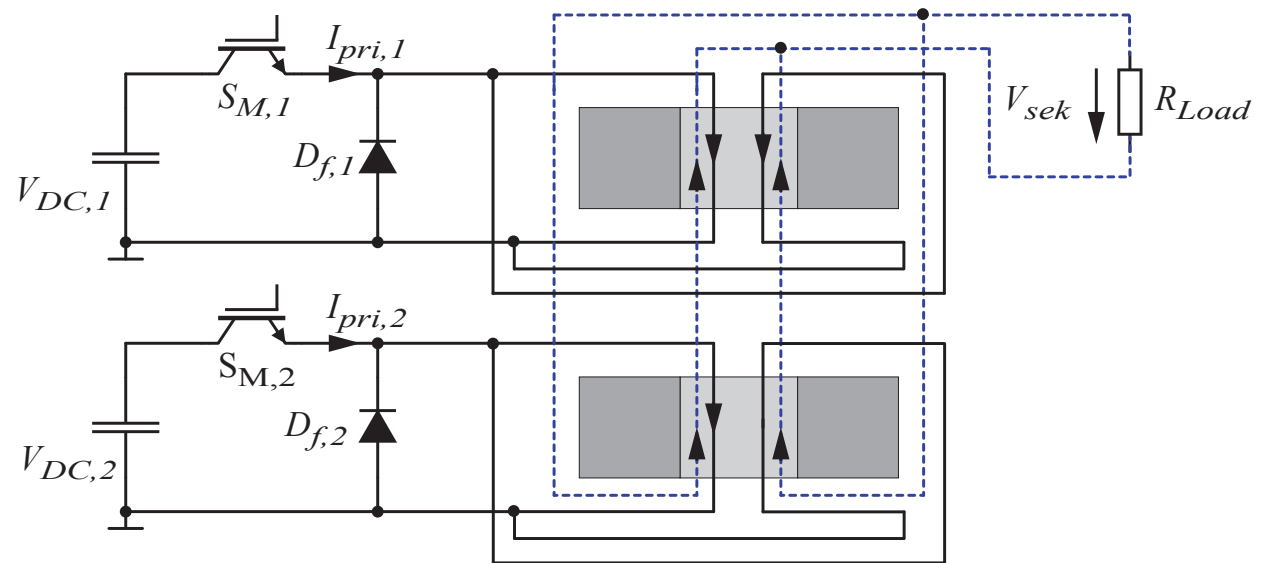
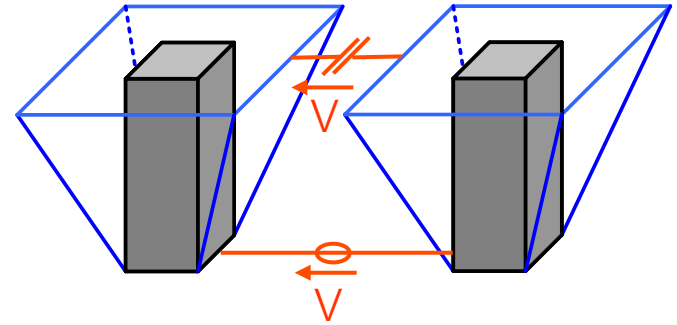
- Parallel secondary winding:

- Parallel leakage inductance

- Leakage / 2

- Offset voltage possible

- Cathode heating @ high potential



Matrix Transformer – 2 IGBTs on 1 Core

- Pulsed power per switch: app. 10-11MW

- Total power: 127MW

- ➔ 12 switches

- ➔ 12 cores

- ➔ Large volume / weight

- ➔ 2 separate switches per core

- "Per core" 20-22MW

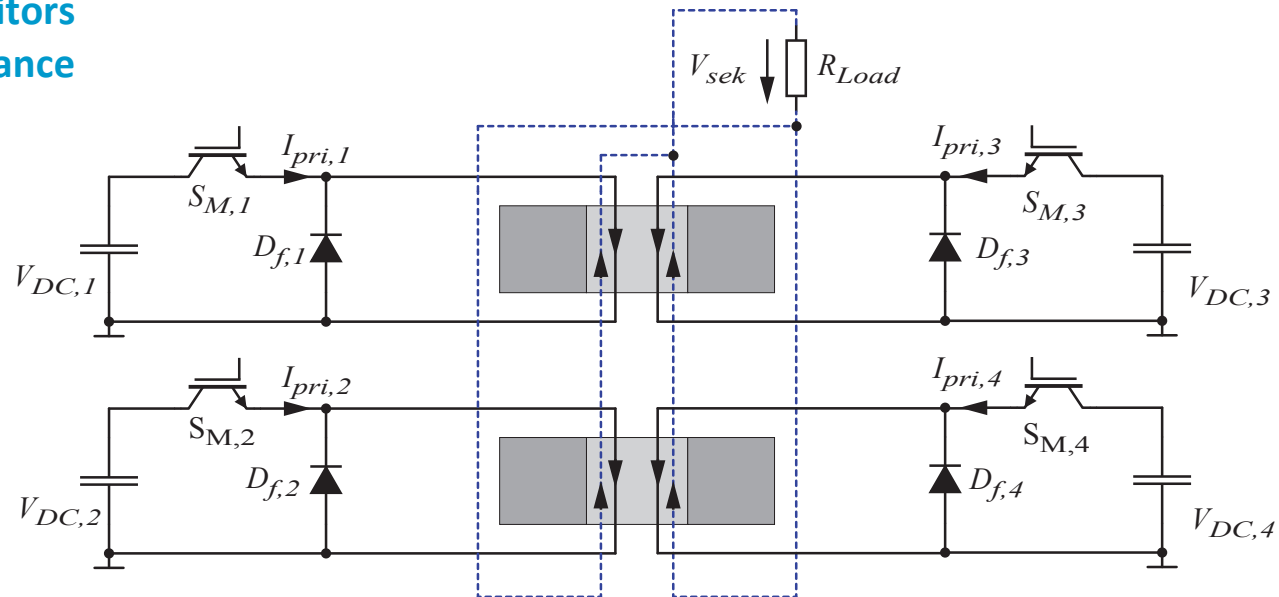
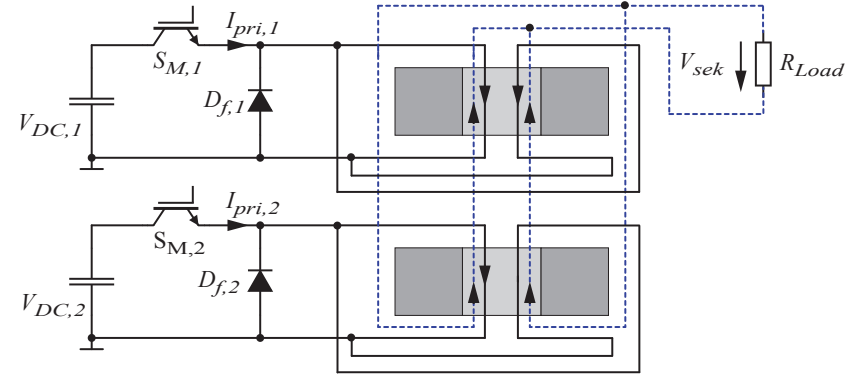
- ➔ 6 cores

- Current sharing of 2 switches per core

- ➔ Synchronization

- ➔ Separate capacitors

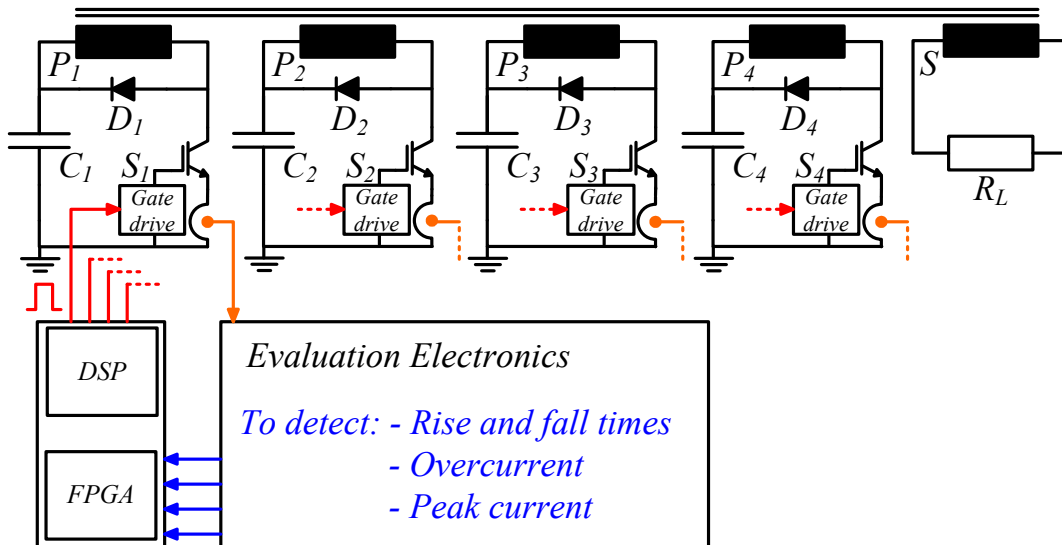
- ➔ Leakage inductance



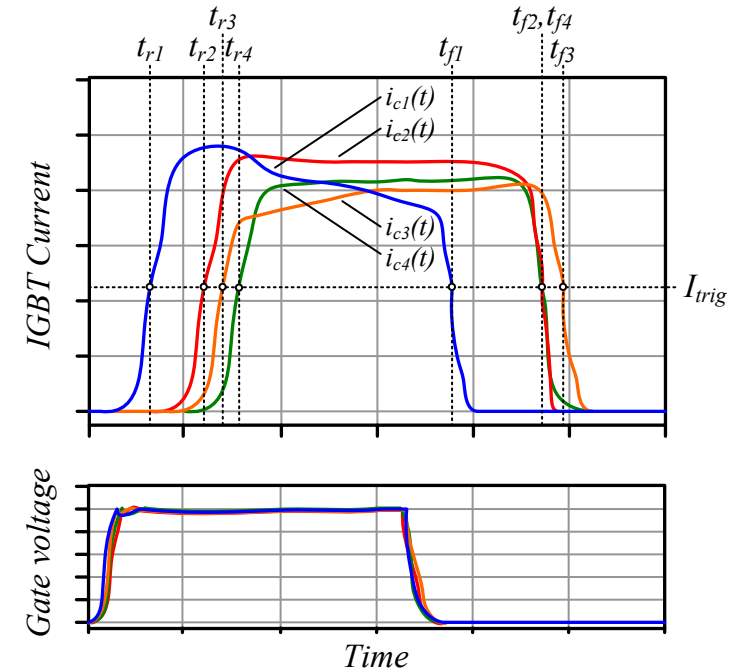
Only 2 out of total 6 cores are shown

Matrix Transformer – Switch Synchronisation

- Problem: Non synchronous switching
- Solutions:
 - Synchronized switching
 - Detection of Edges
 - Peak current

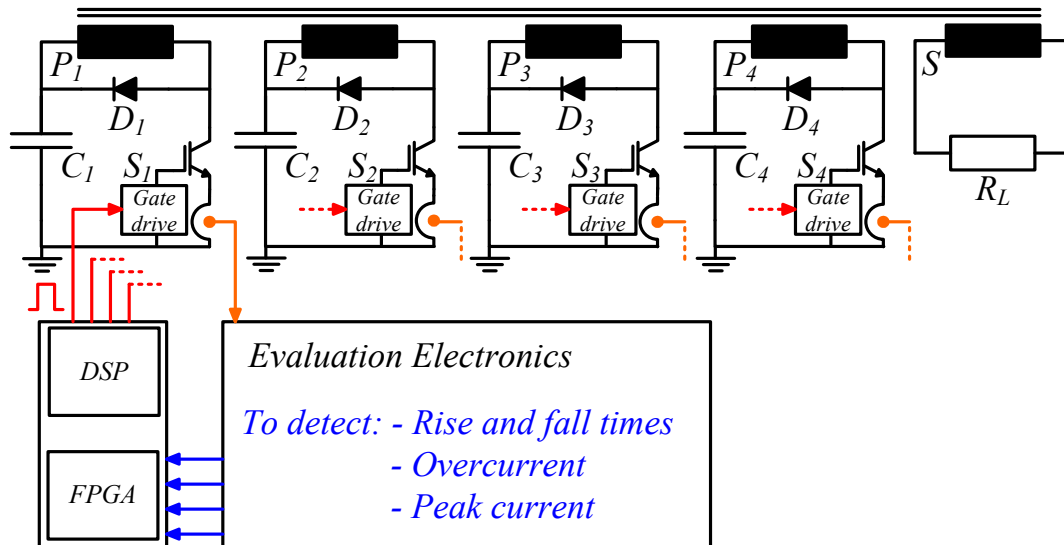


Simplified Current Waveforms

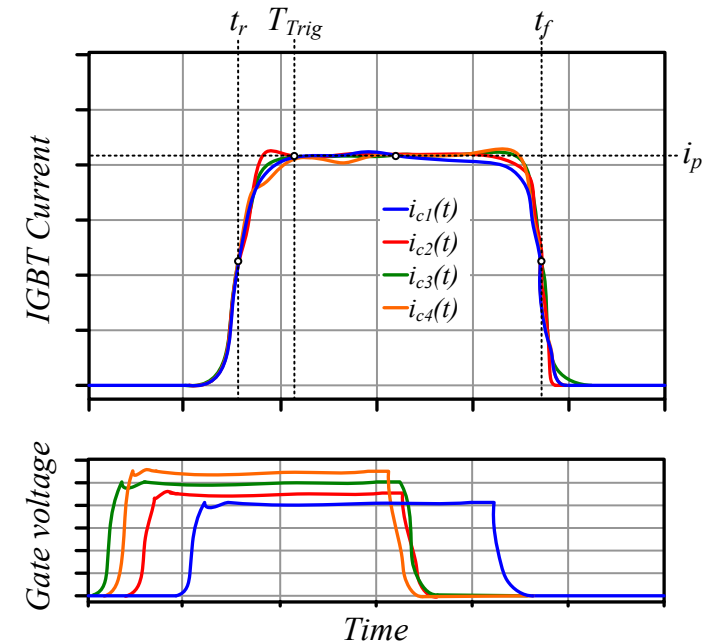


Matrix Transformer – Switch Synchronisation

- **Problem: Non synchronous switching**
- **Solutions:**
 - Synchronized switching
 - ➔ Detection of Edges
 - ➔ Peak current
 - ➔ Synchronous turn on
 - ➔ Positive temp. coefficient -> Static balancing
 - ➔ "Separate" DC capacitors -> Static balancing

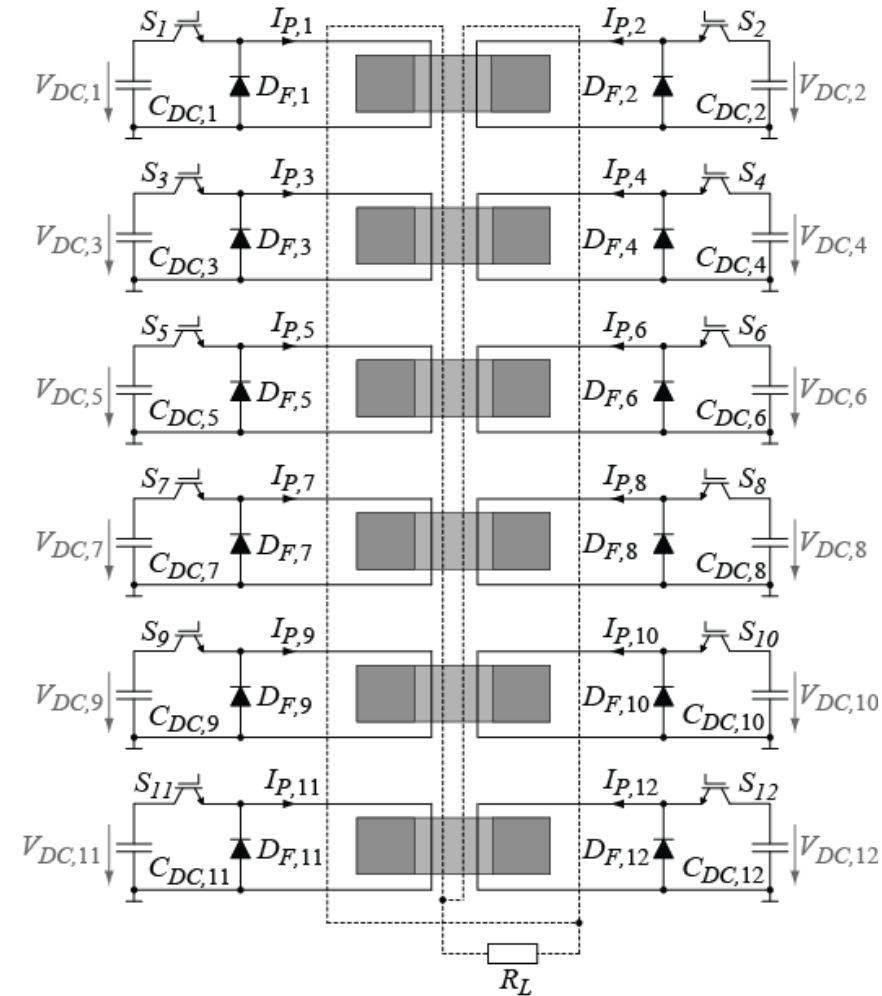
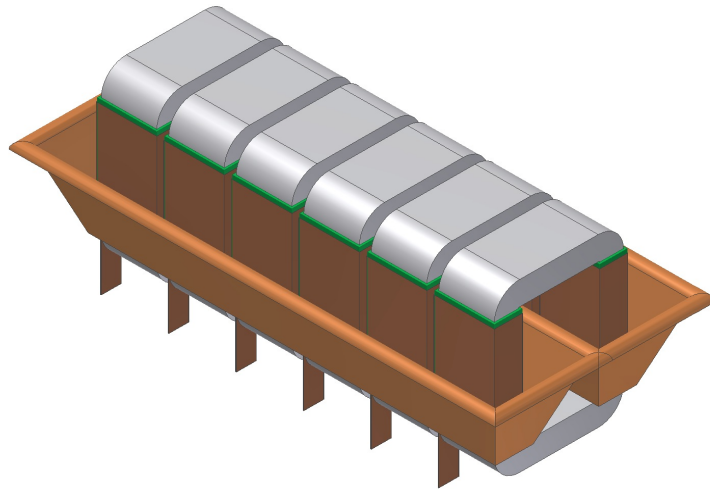


Simplified Current Waveforms



127MW Matrix Transformer Setup

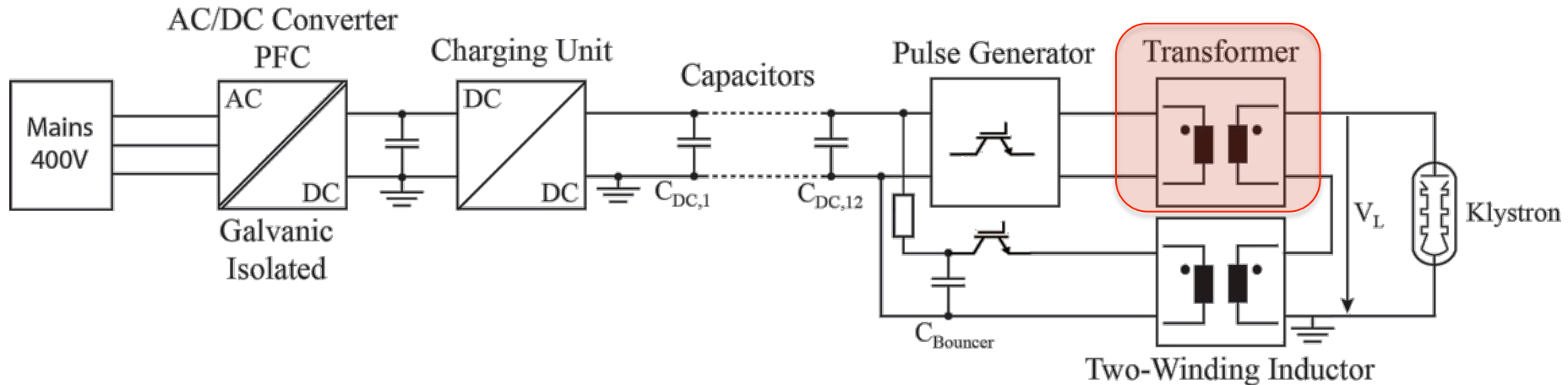
- Matrix transformer
- 12 IGBTs / 6 cores
- 12 primary windings
- 2 parallel secondary windings
- Current balanced between cores



Short Pulse Solid State Power Modulator

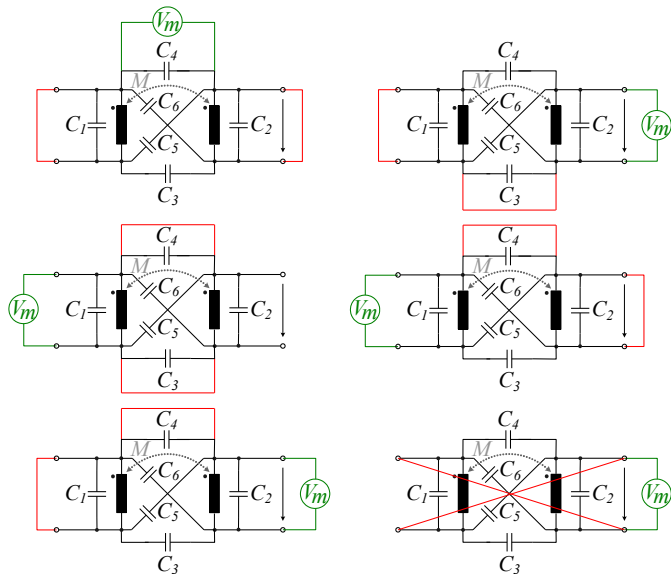
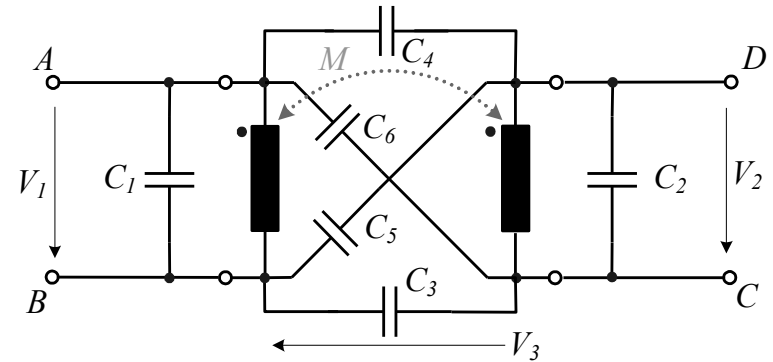


Pulse Transformer Design

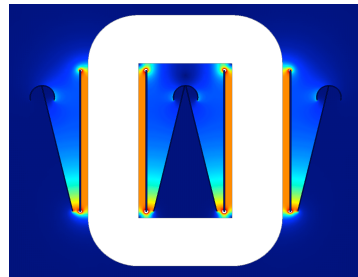


Pulse Transformer: Parasitic Capacitances

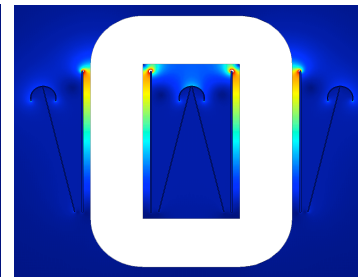
- Electrical fields → Parasitic capacitances
- General equivalent circuit: 6 capacitors



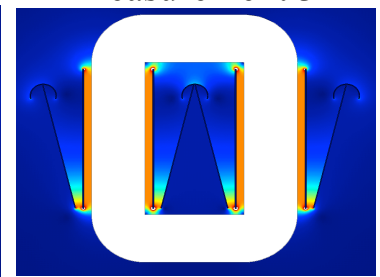
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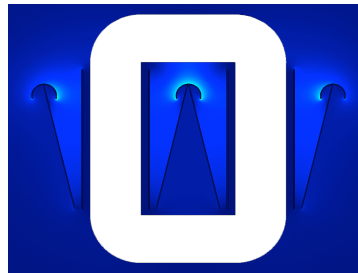
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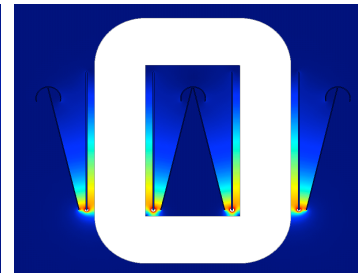
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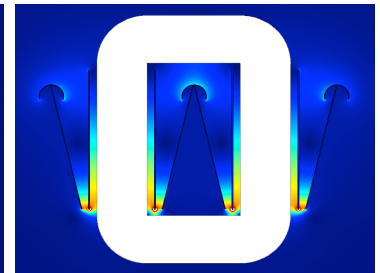
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Measurement 5

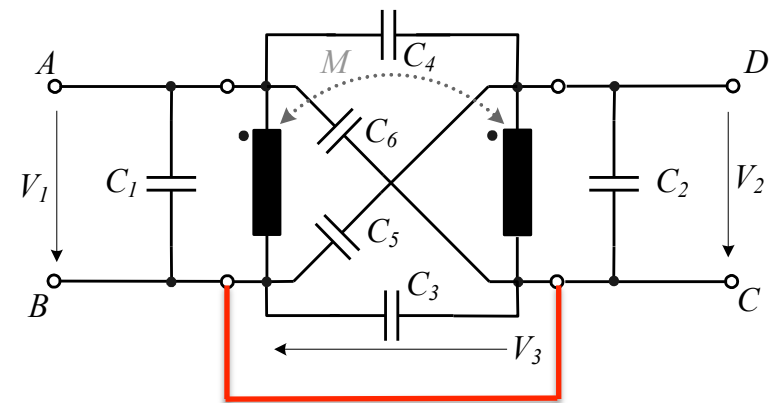
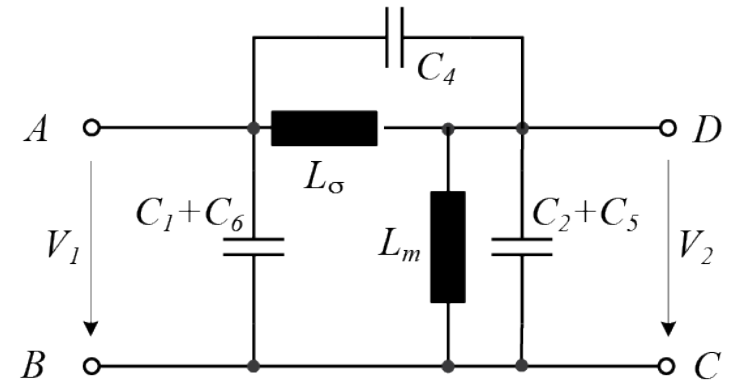


Measurement 6



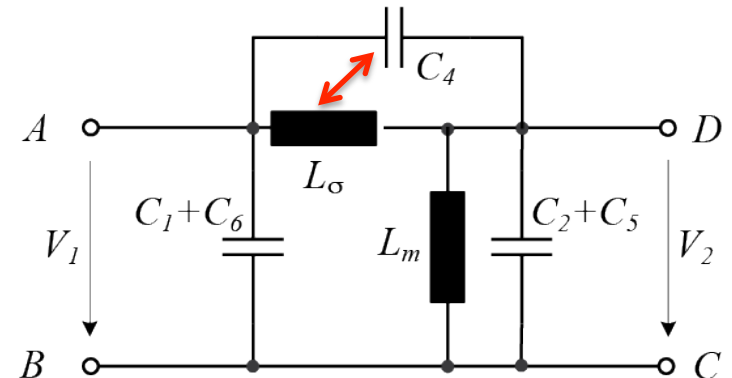
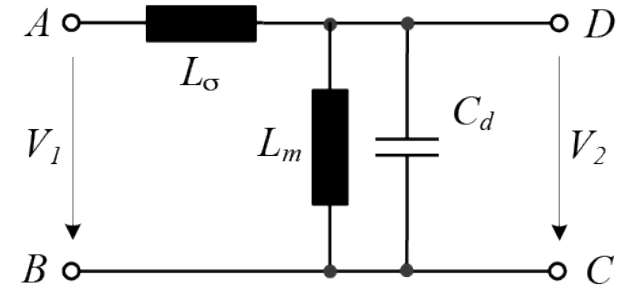
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- Electrical fields → parasitic capacitances
- General equivalent circuit: 6 capacitors
- Common ground for primary/secondary
→ Reduction to 3 capacitors



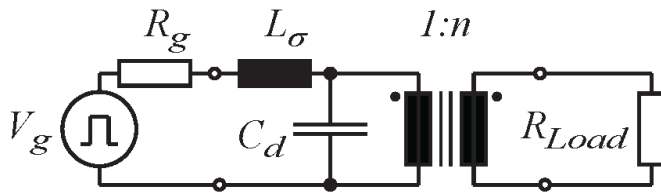
Pulse Transformer: Parasitic Capacitances – Simplification II

- Electrical fields → parasitic capacitances
- General equivalent circuit: 6 capacitors
- Common ground for primary/secondary
 - Reduction to 3 capacitors
- Calculating energy equivalent capacitor @ output
 - + (Neglecting resonance L_σ/C_4)
 - Simple L_σ/C_d circuit
 - $C_d \approx C_2 + C_4 + C_5$ (large N)

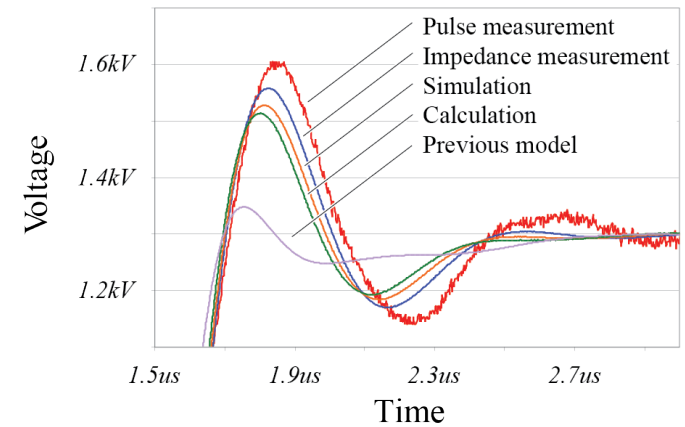


Pulse Transformer: Overshoot / Rise Time

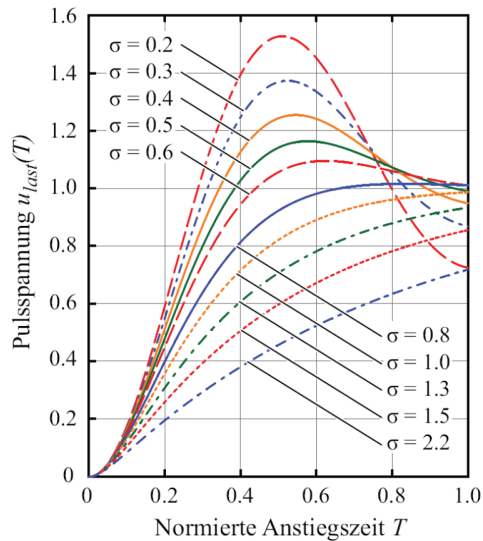
Simple equivalent circuit



Verification by measurement



Overshoot on the rising edge



Design conditions

$$T_r = 2 \pi T_{10\%-90\%} \sqrt{L_\sigma C_d}$$

$$\sigma = \frac{1}{2R_{Load}} \sqrt{\frac{L_\sigma}{C_d}}$$

Capacitance Calculation with Mirror Charges

- Geometry interpreted as multi-conductor system
- Mirror charges for
 - Core window
 - Core leg / tank wall
- Fast calculation > 100x faster than FEM

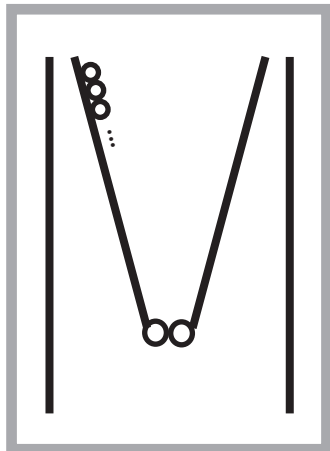
Without mirror charges

$$p_{ij} = \frac{1}{2\pi\epsilon_0\epsilon_r} \ln(d_{ij})$$

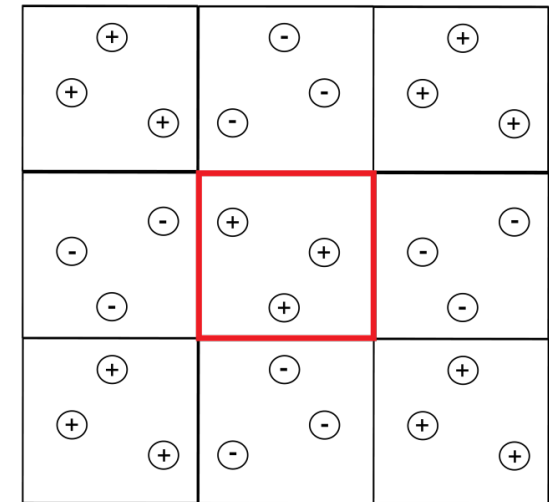
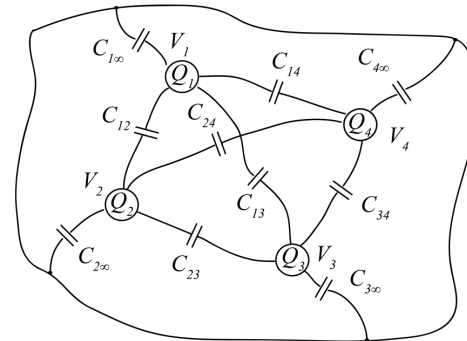
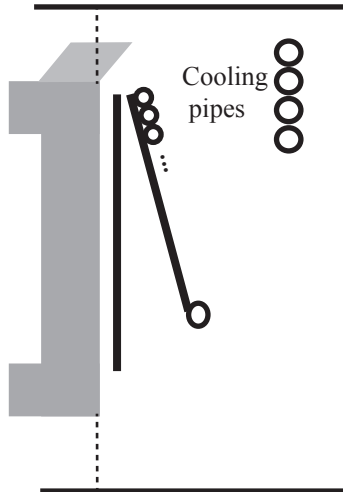
$$[Q] = [p]^{-1}[\Phi'] = [c][\Phi']$$

$$C'_{ij} = -c_{ij} \quad C'_{i\infty} = \sum_{j=1}^N c_{ij}$$

Core window



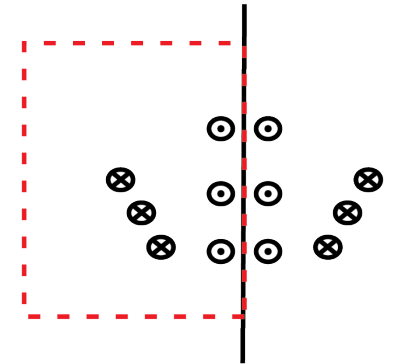
Area between core and tank wall



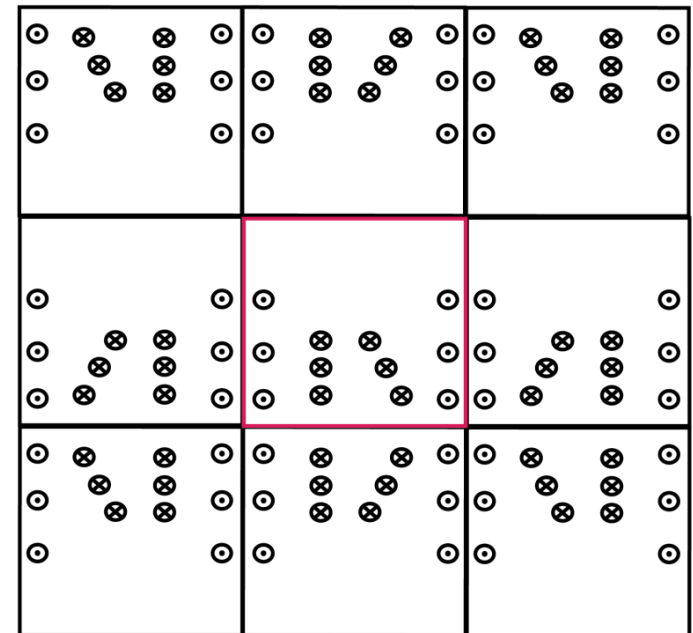
Inductance Calculation with Mirror Line Currents

- Geometry interpreted as multi-conductor system (line current)
- Current mirror method for magnetic surface
- Mirroring:
 - Core window → box mirroring
 - Outside core → wall mirroring
- Fast calculation > 500x faster than FEM

Wall Mirroring



Box Mirroring



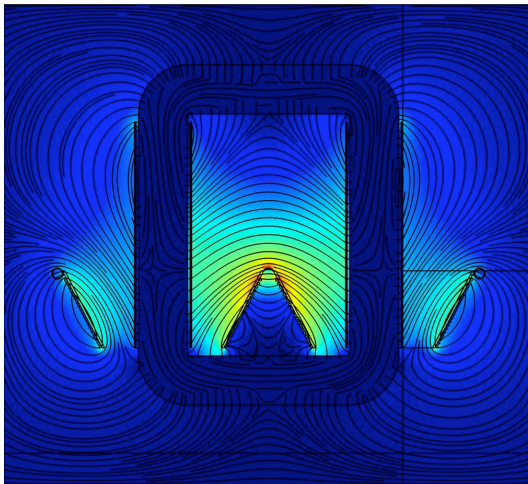
Considering self inductance

$$r'_i = r * e^{-\frac{\mu}{4}}$$

$$L'_{ii} = \frac{\mu_0}{2\pi} \ln\left(\frac{1}{r'_i}\right)$$

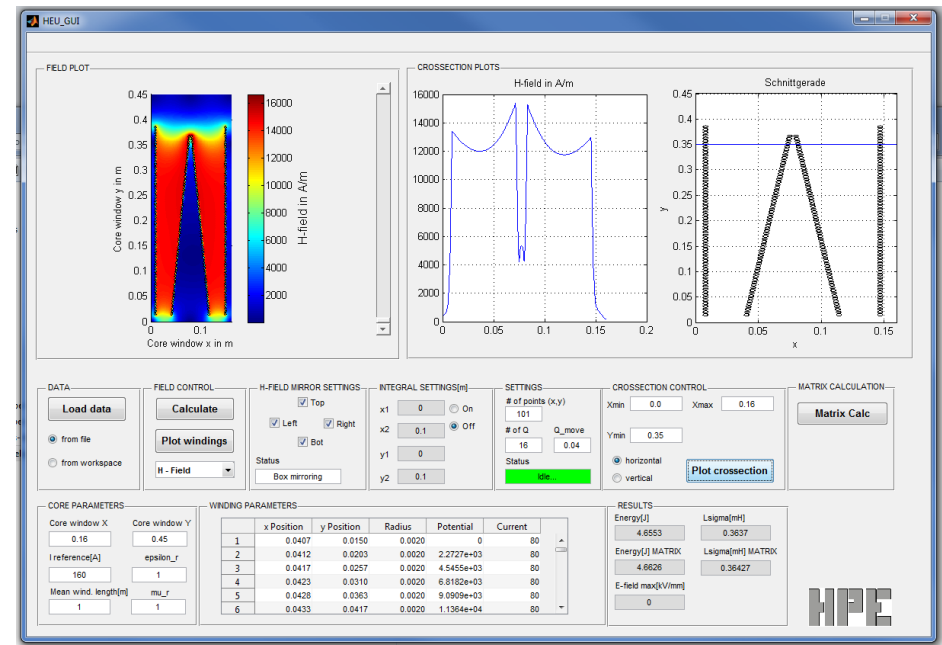
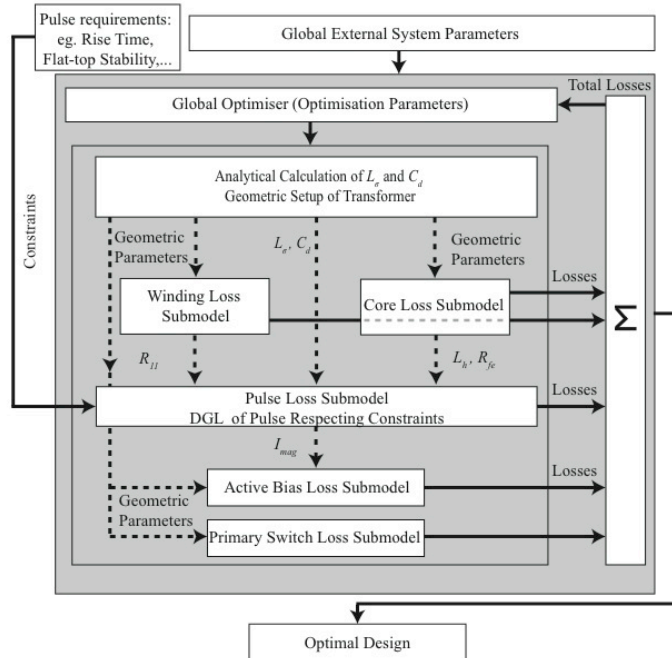
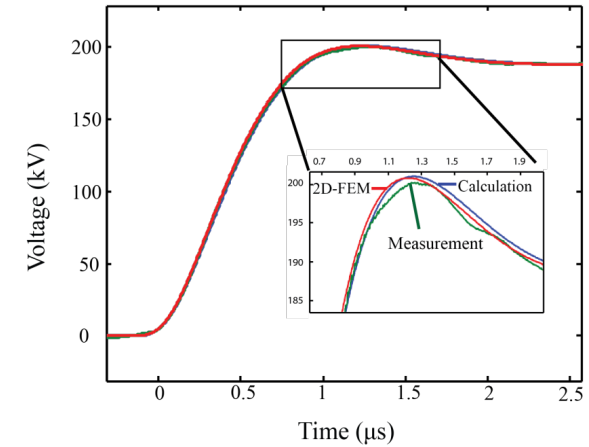
Mutual inductance

$$L'_{ij} = \frac{\mu_0}{2\pi} \ln\left(\frac{1}{d_{ij}}\right)$$



Transformer Parasitics Modelling

- Analytic equations for **transformer optimisation**
- Visualisation tool (no toolbox required)
- Pulse shape prediction with non-linear ODE
- Good matching with FEM & measurement

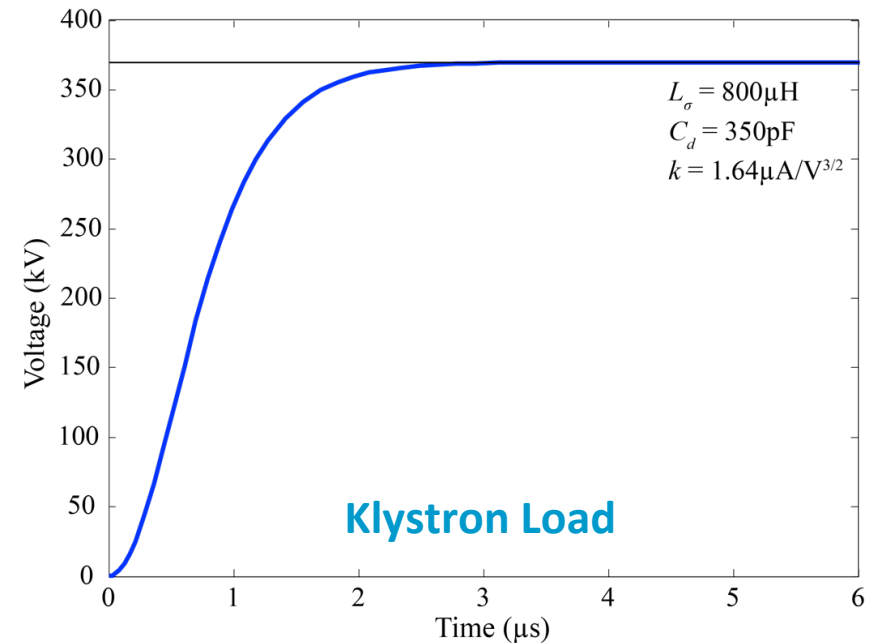
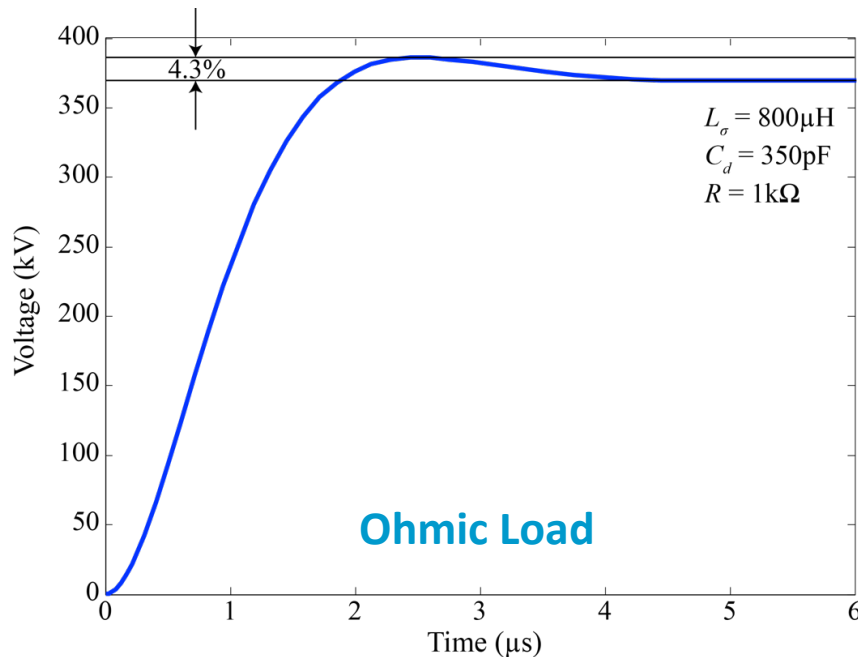
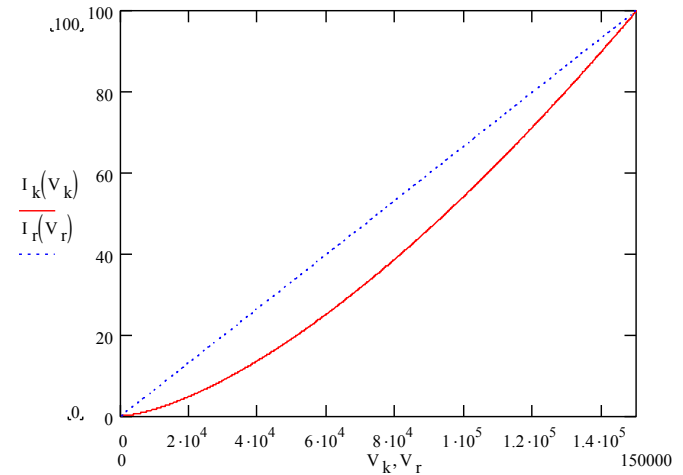


Pulse Transformer: Damping due to Klystron Load

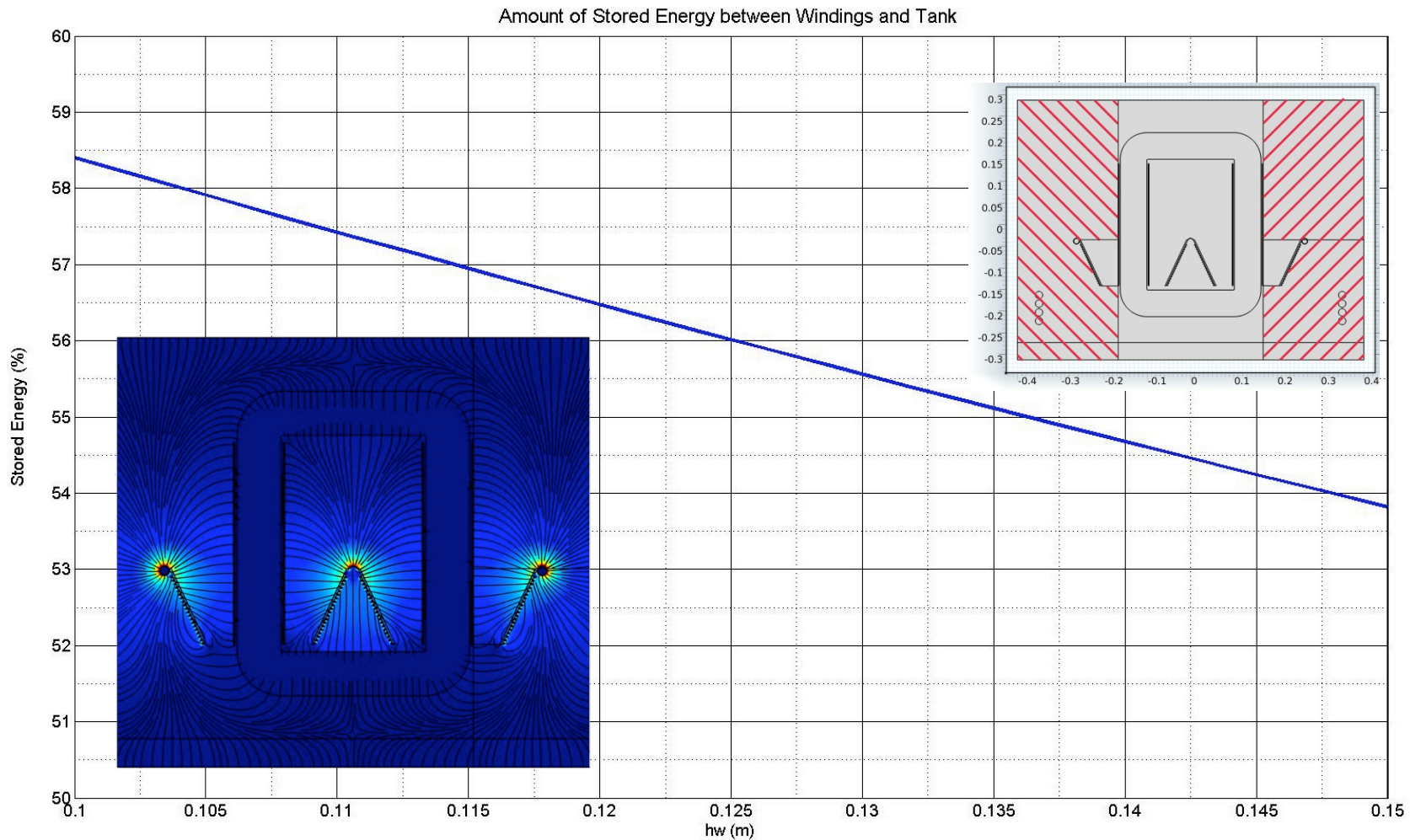
▪ Klystron-Model:

$$I = k \cdot V^{1.5}$$

with $k = \text{Perveance}$

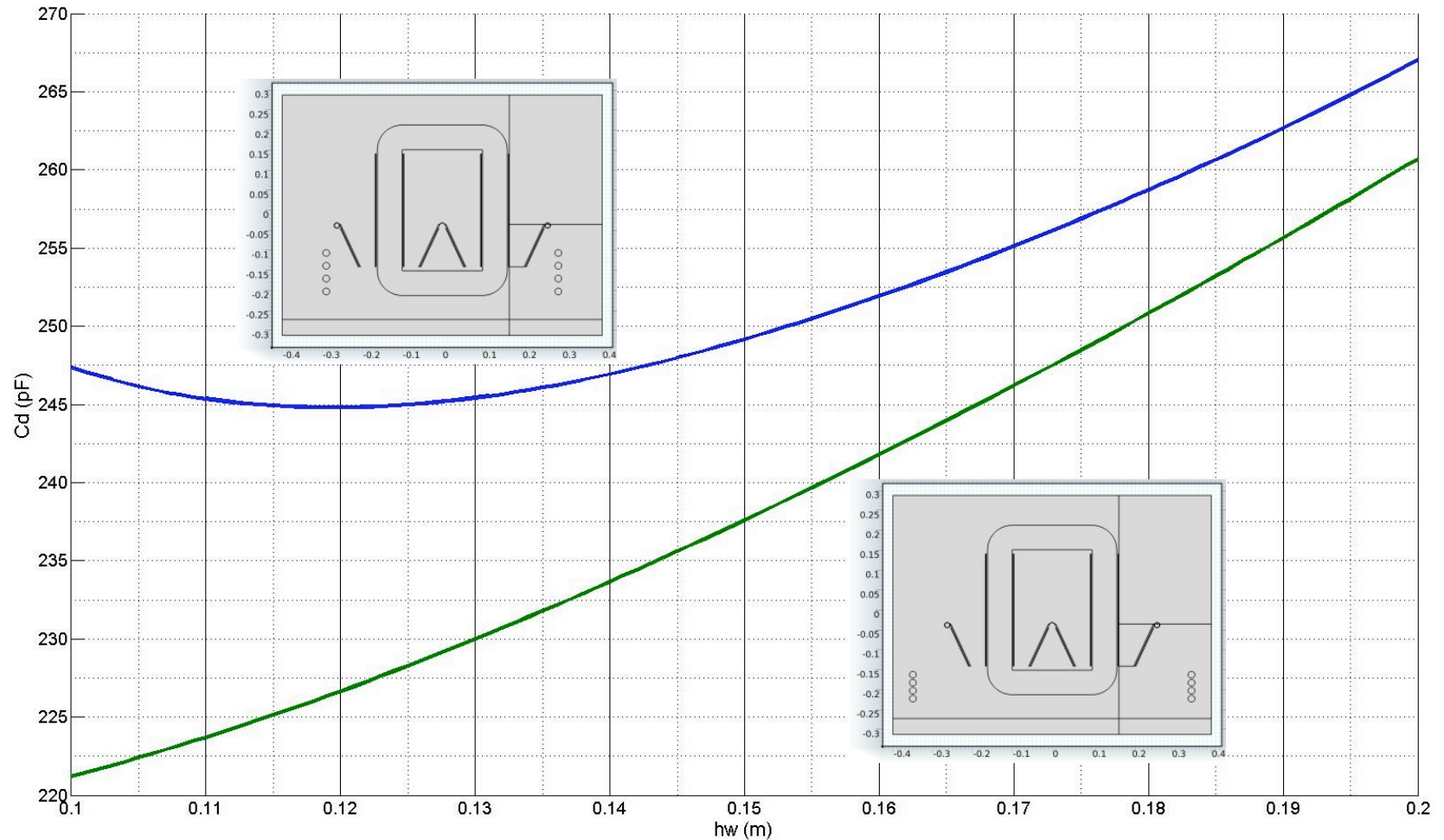


Capacitance: Stored Energy between Windings and Tank



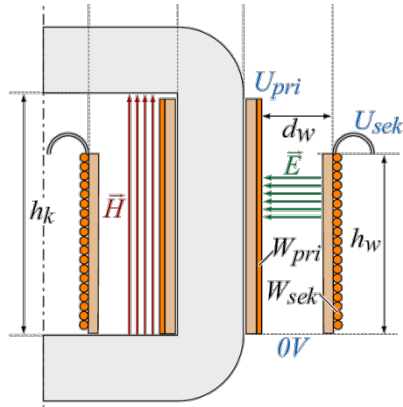
Capacitance: Influence of Cooling Pipes

- Cooling pipes close to winding → Capacitance ↑



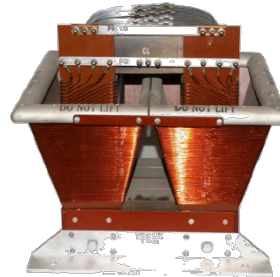
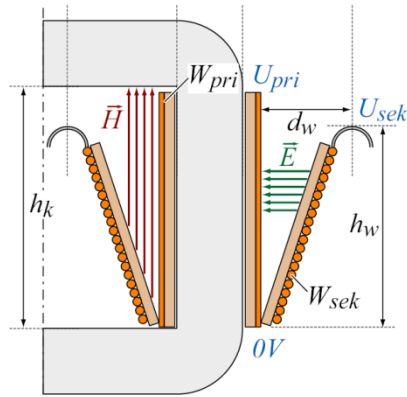
Pulse Transformer: Winding Arrangement

Parallel Winding



$$\frac{1}{3} \cdot \epsilon \mu \frac{N_{sek}^2 \cdot l_w^2 \cdot h_w}{h_k}$$

Non-Parallel Winding

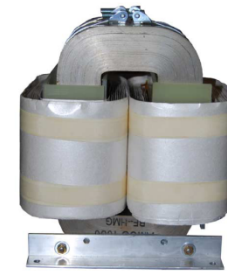
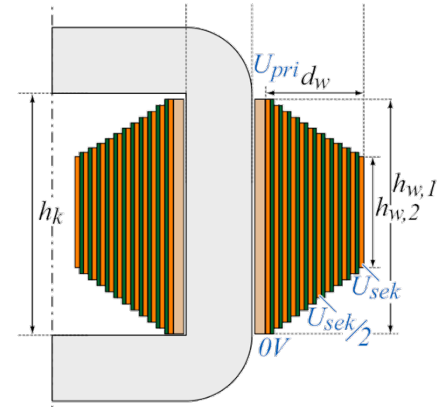


$$\frac{1}{4} \cdot \epsilon \mu \frac{N_{sek}^2 \cdot l_w^2 \cdot h_w}{h_k}$$

Smallest LC-Product

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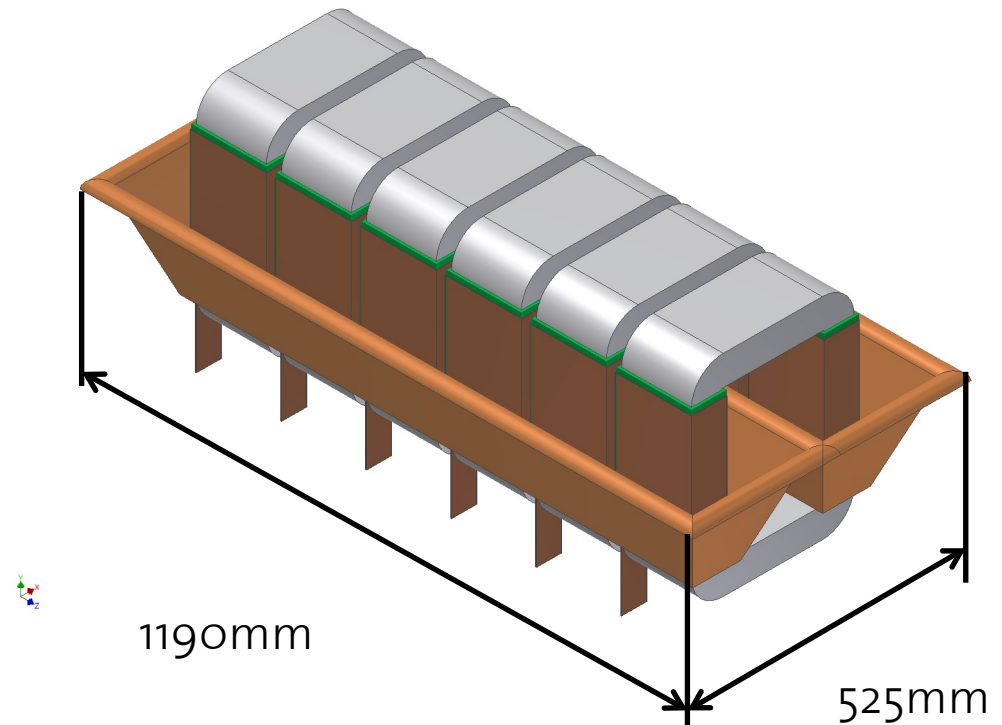
Foil Winding



$$\frac{k+1}{3} \cdot \epsilon \mu \frac{N_{sek}^2 \cdot l_w^2 \cdot h_w}{h_k}$$

Pulse Transformer: Final Design

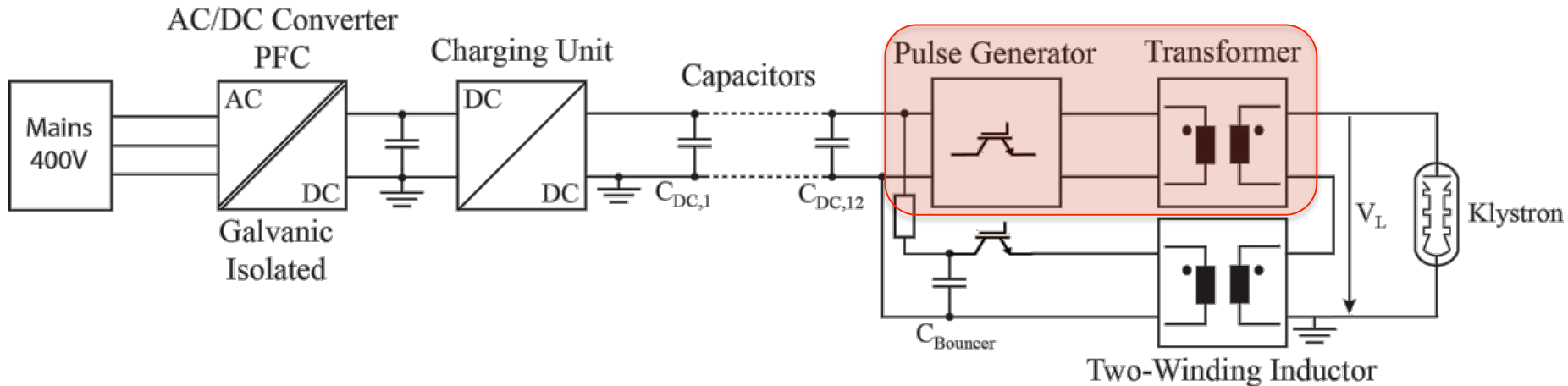
- Core material:
 - 2605SA1
- Primary windings:
 - 3 kV input voltage
 - Copper foil, $d = 1\text{mm}$
- Secondary windings:
 - 370 kV output voltage
 - 21 Turns \rightarrow 17.6 kV per turn
 - Round conductor, $d = 3\text{mm}$



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Premagnetisation



Premagnetisation – Basic Concepts

- **Bipolar flux swing**

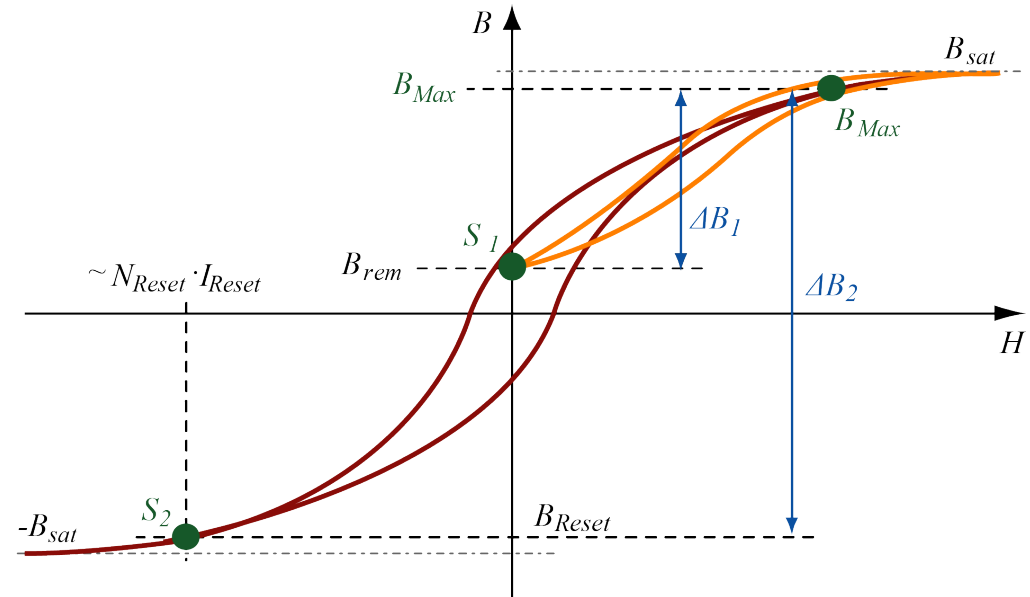
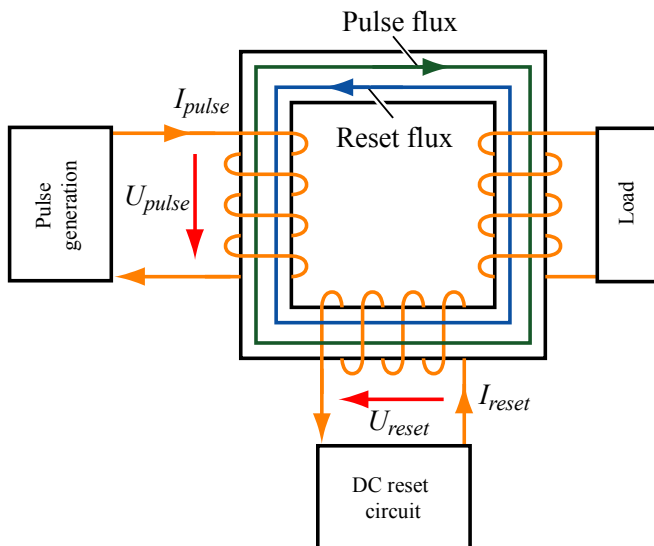
$$A_{Core} = \frac{V_{Sec}}{N_{Sec} \frac{\Delta B}{T_P}}$$

→ Core area / 2

→ Reduction of LC-product

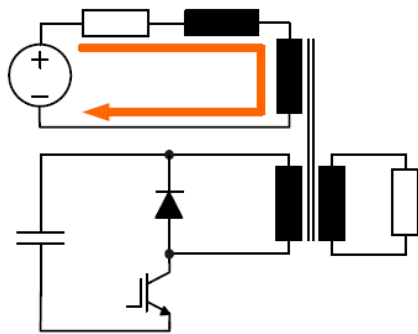
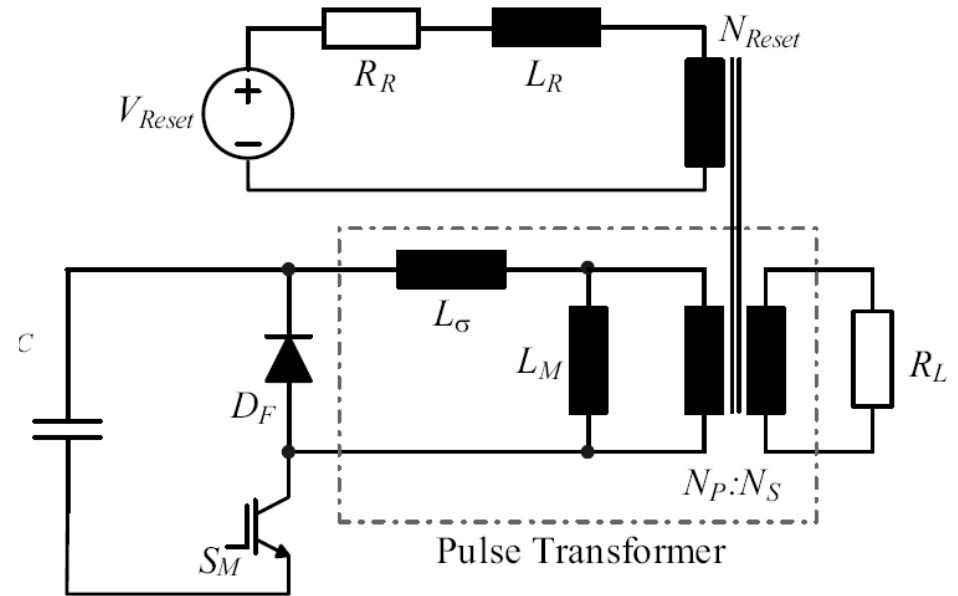
→ Lower turn length

- **Additional components required**
- **Energy recovery possible (active circuit)**

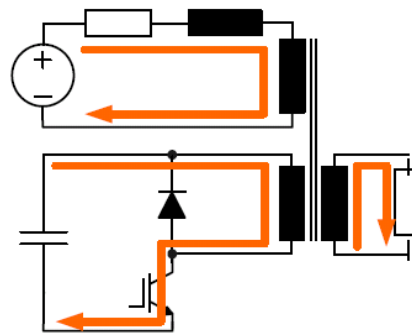


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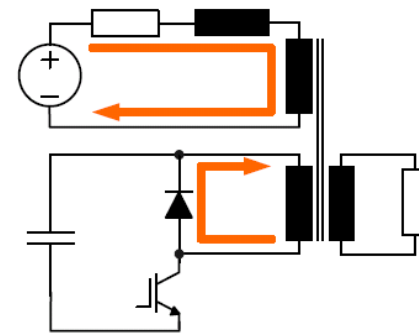
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- DC choke + voltage source
→ Current source for bias current
- Additional copper losses



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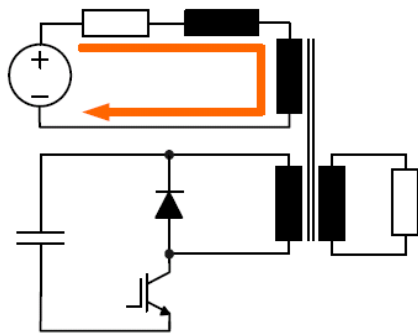
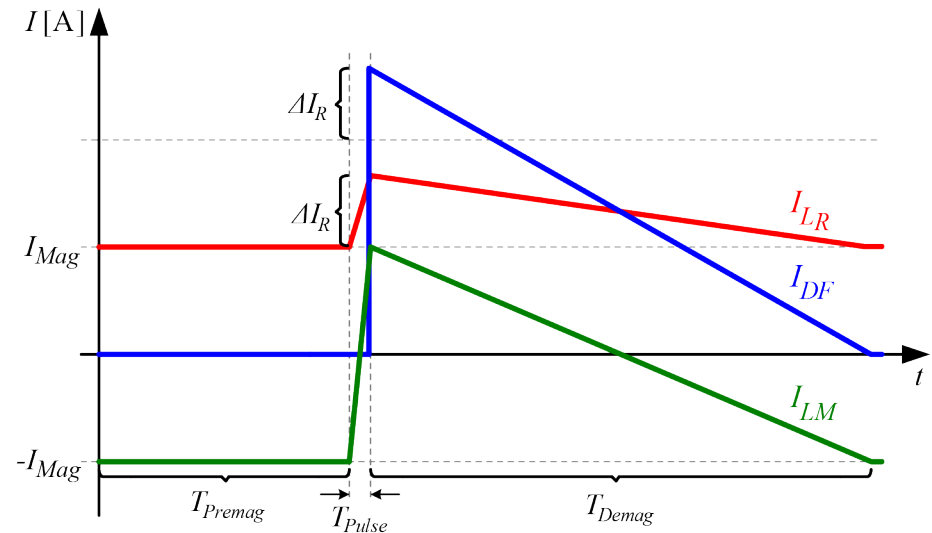
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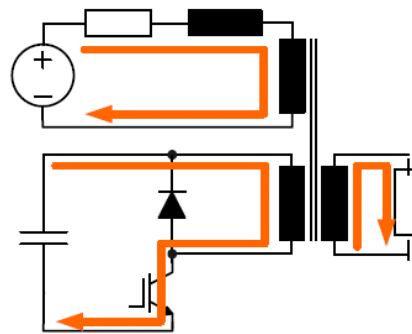
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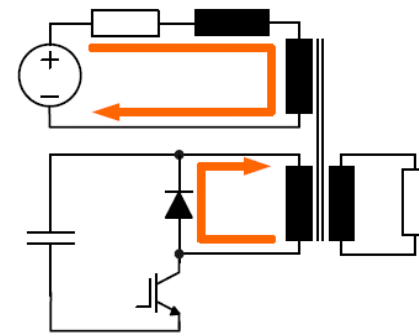
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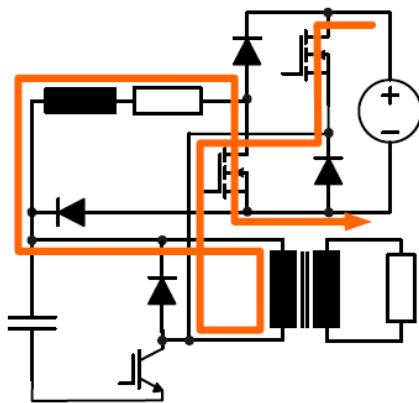
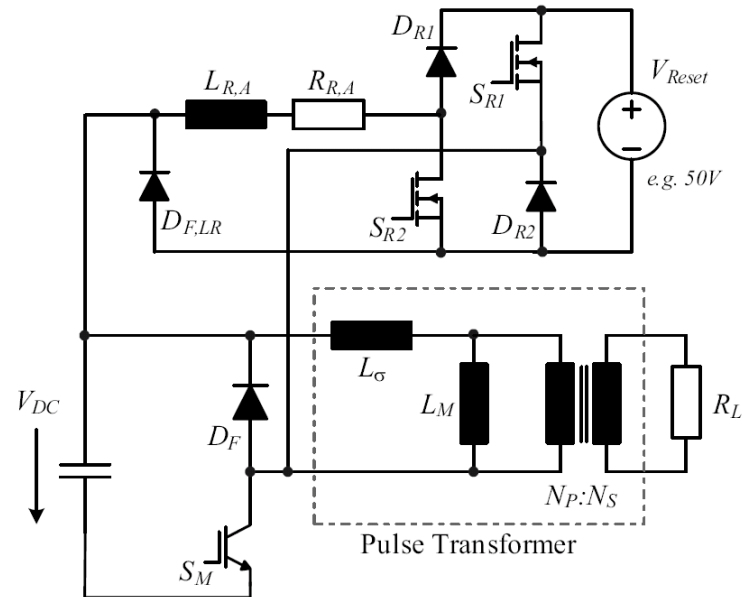
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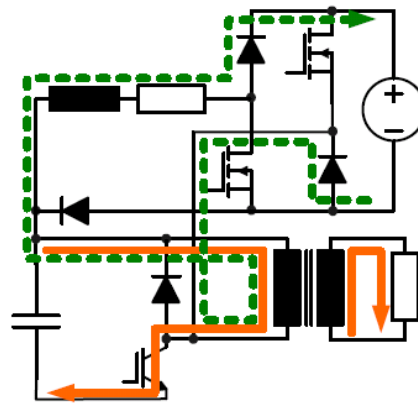
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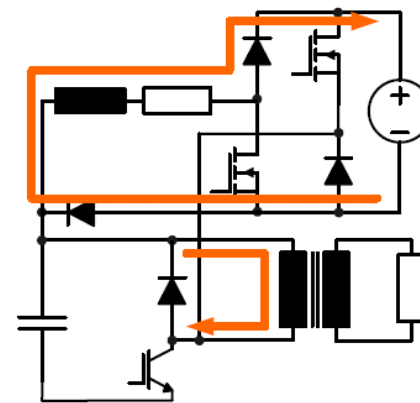
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- Pulse-by-pulse premagnetisation
 - Low voltage MOSFETs/Diodes
 - Choke for current source behaviour
 - Low voltage source
 - Negative output voltage during premagnetisation



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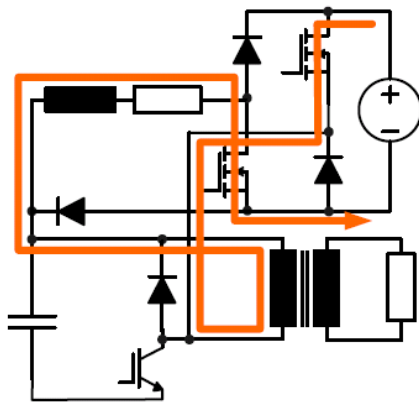
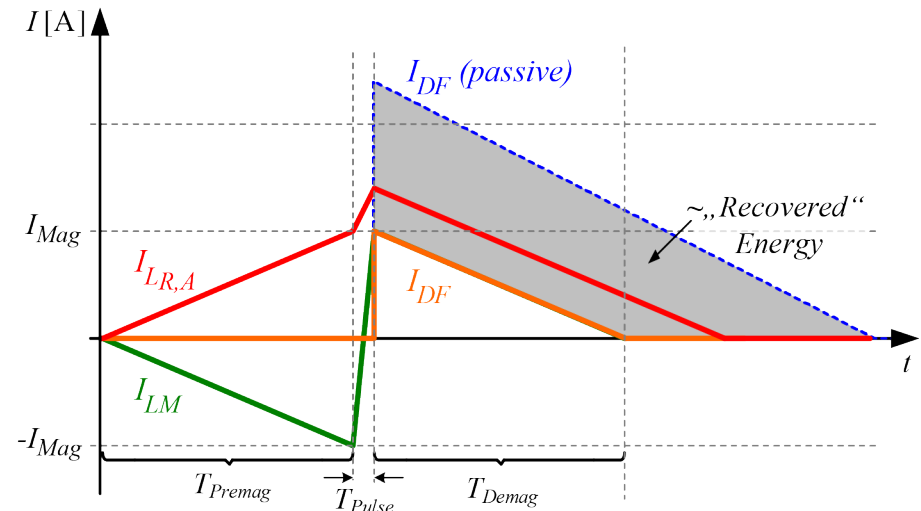
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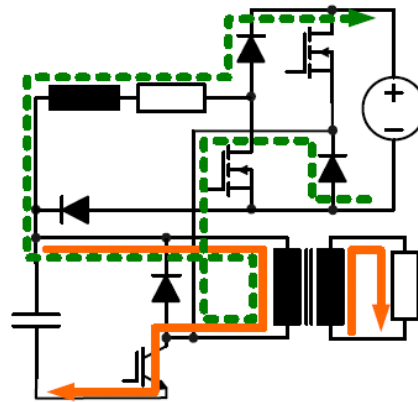
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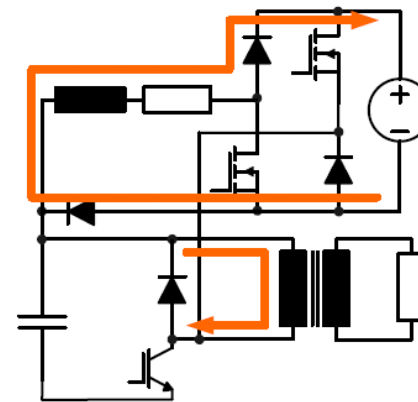
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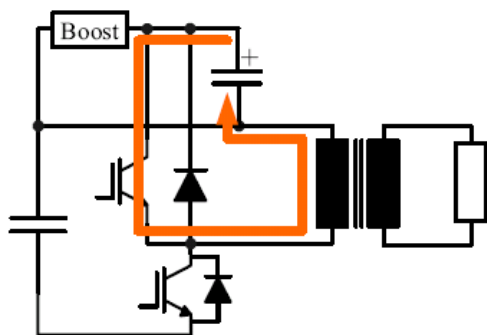
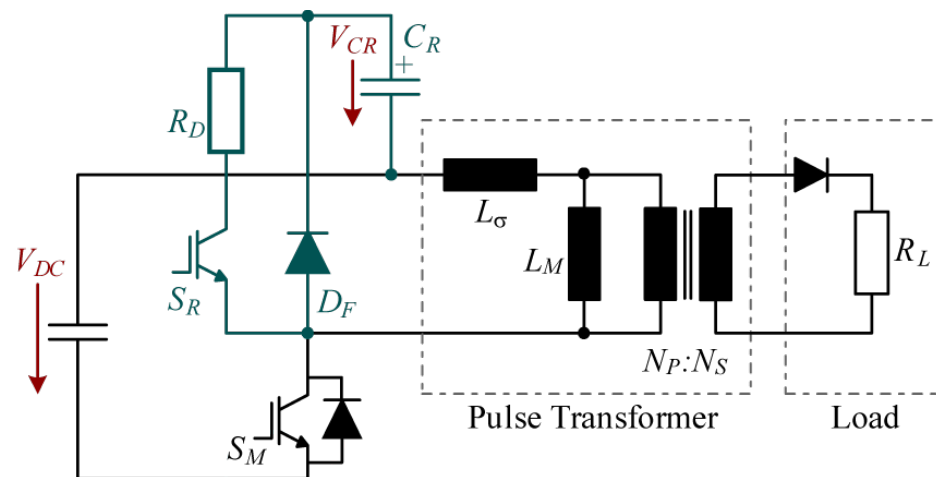
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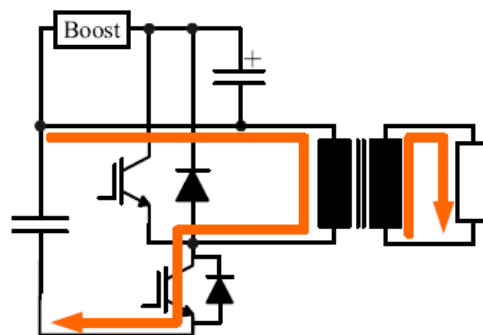
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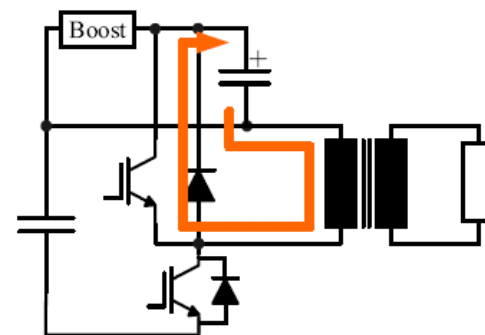
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- Pulse-by-pulse premagnetisation
- Negative V_{Out} during premagnetisation
- Self regulating (no supply required)



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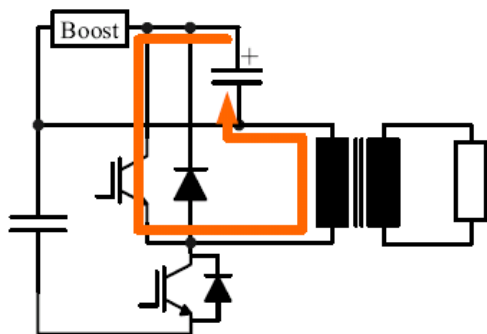
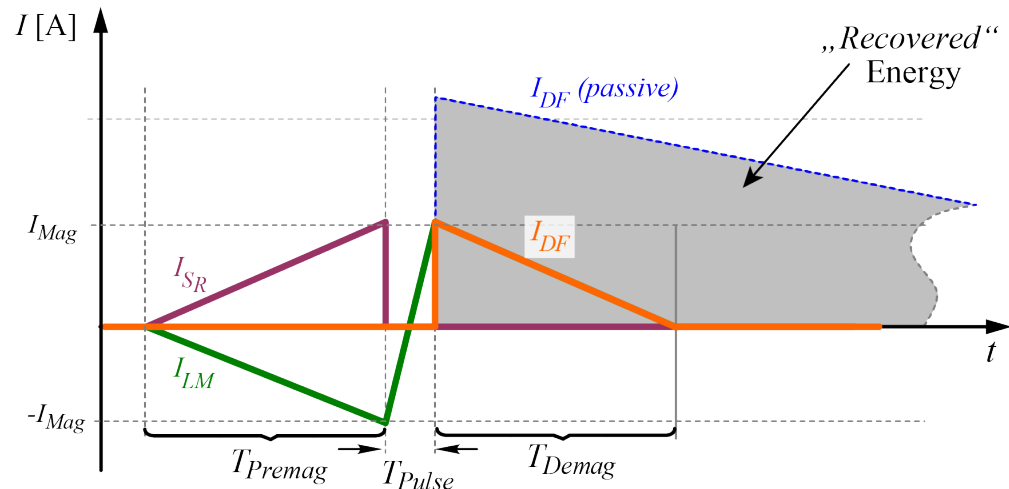
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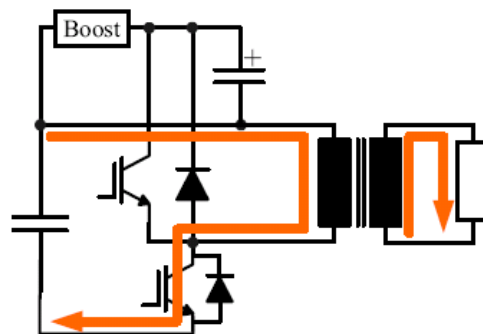
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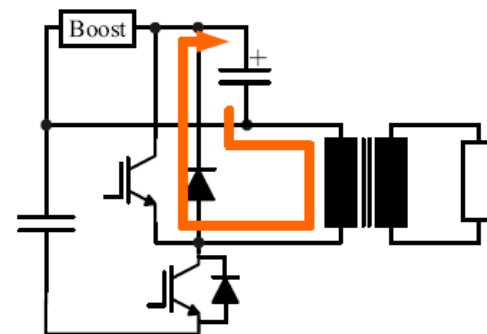
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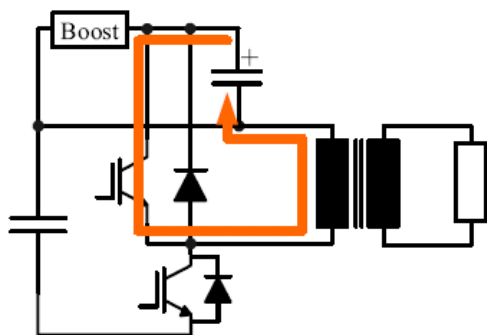
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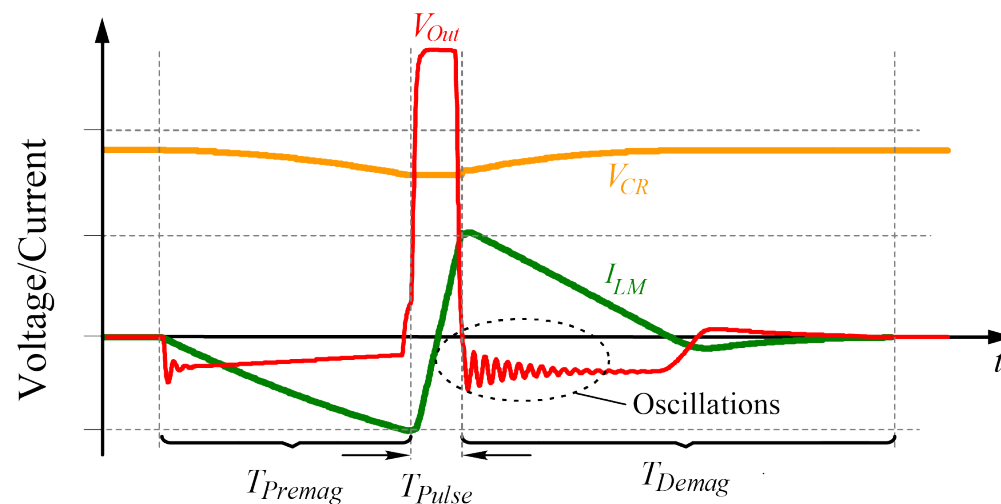
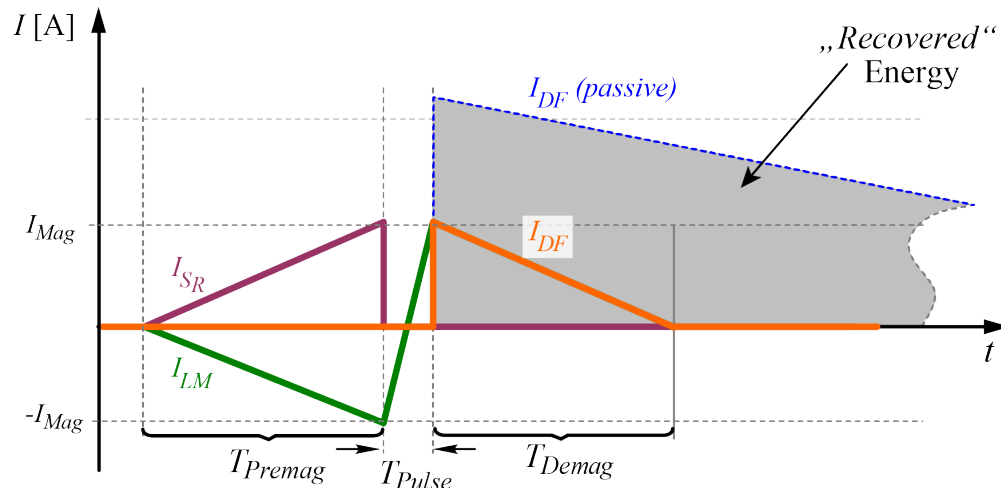
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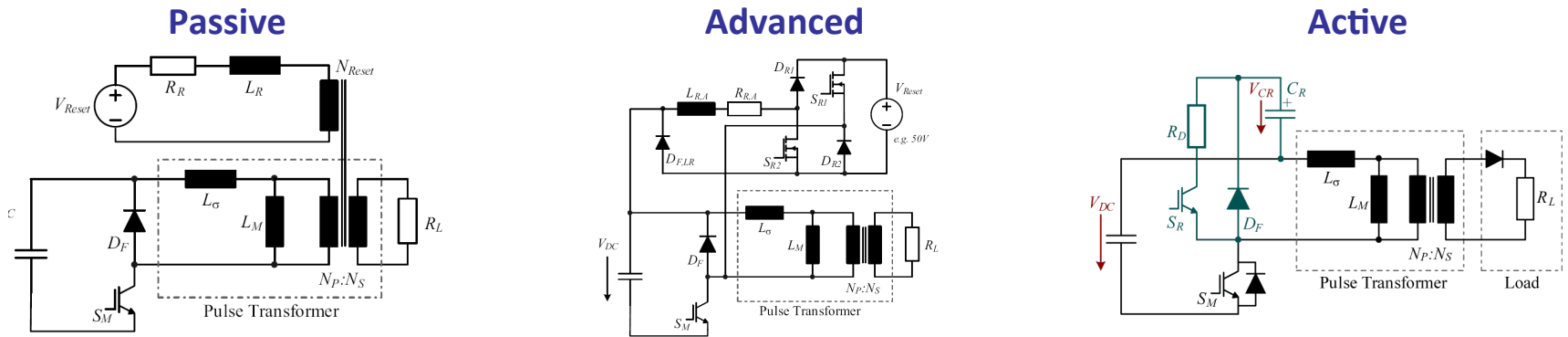
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Premagnetisation - Comparison

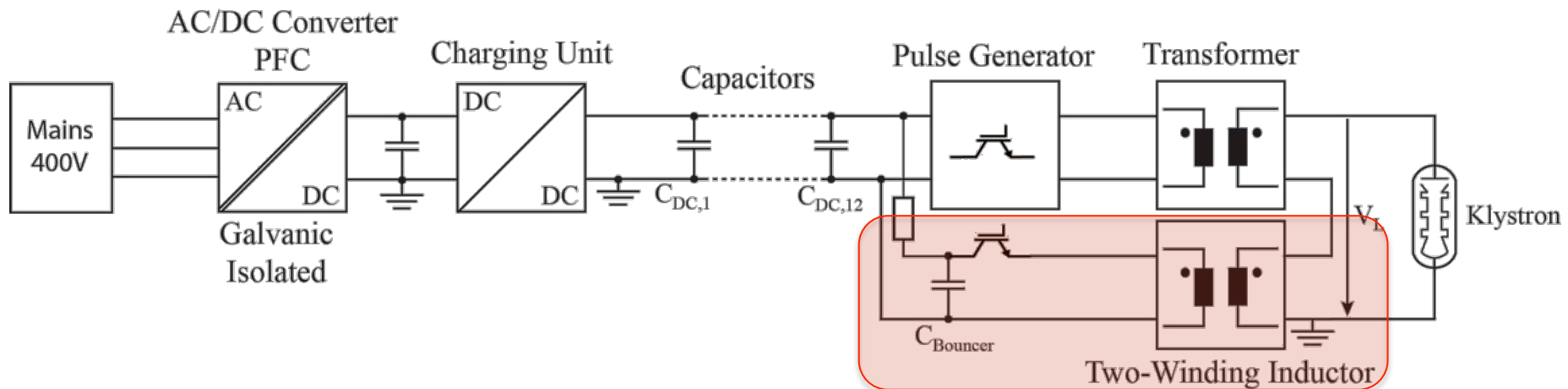


	Passive	Advanced	Active
Complexity	Simple/Robust	high	medium
Components	Voltage Source low I / low V	MOSFET/Diode high I / low V	IGBT high I / high V
	Inductor low I / high V	Diode $D_{F,LV}$ high I / high V	Capacitor high I / med. V
3rd Winding	yes	no	no
Forward V_{DF}	high ($\sim 10V$)	high ($\sim 10V$)	low (2V)
Volume	high	high	medium
Losses	7.25 J	2.38 J	0.85 J
Numbers for 20MW modulator	1.45 kW	476.4 W	169.4 W

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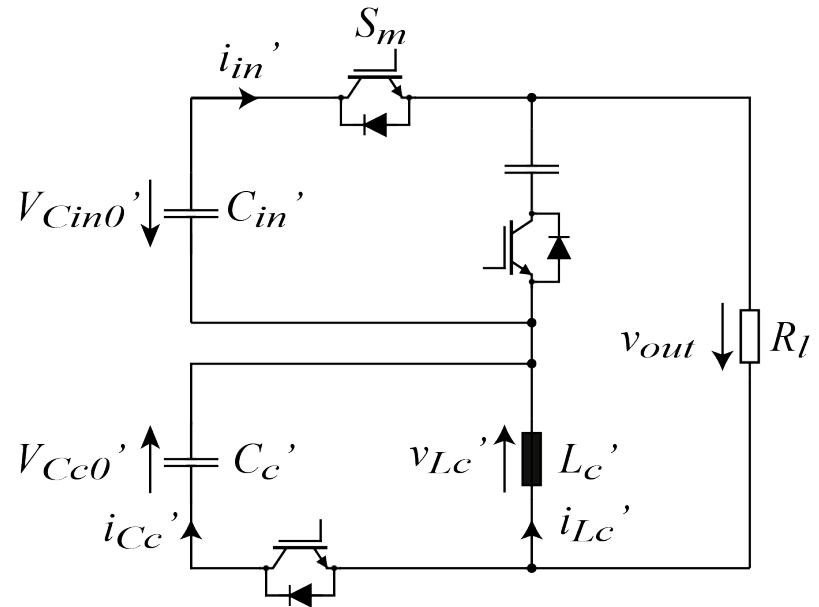
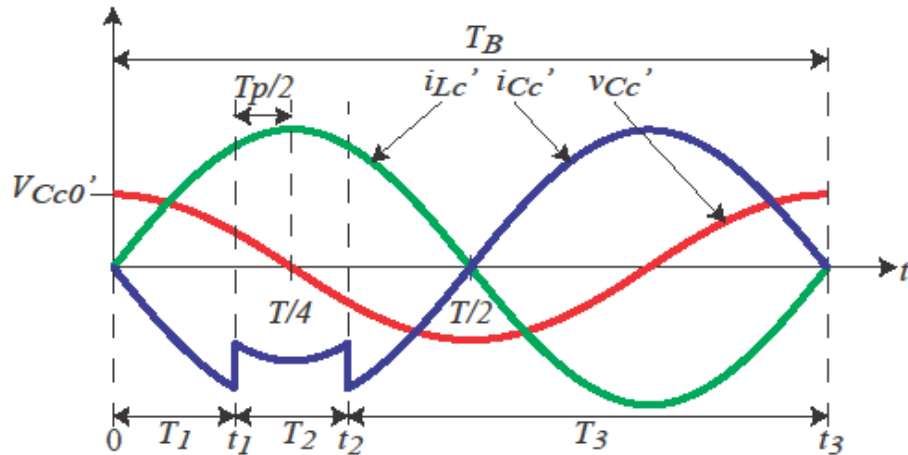
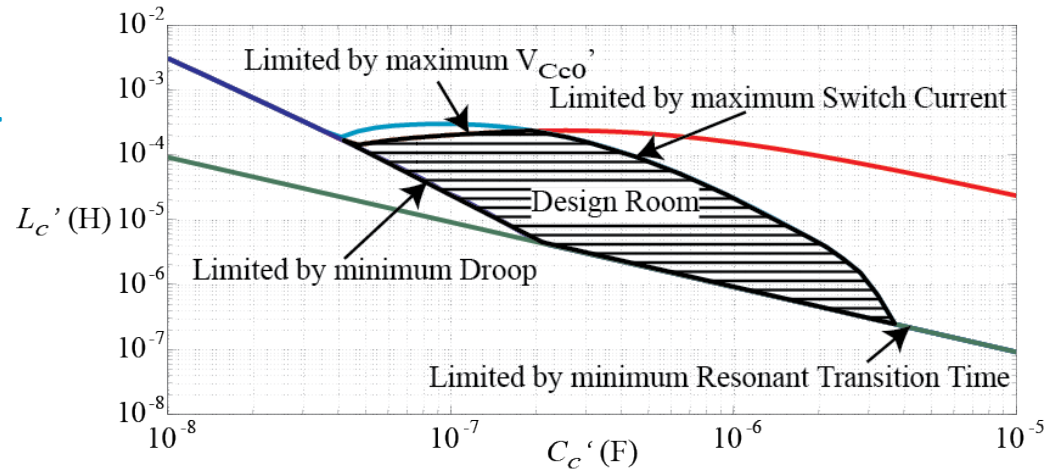


Bouncer

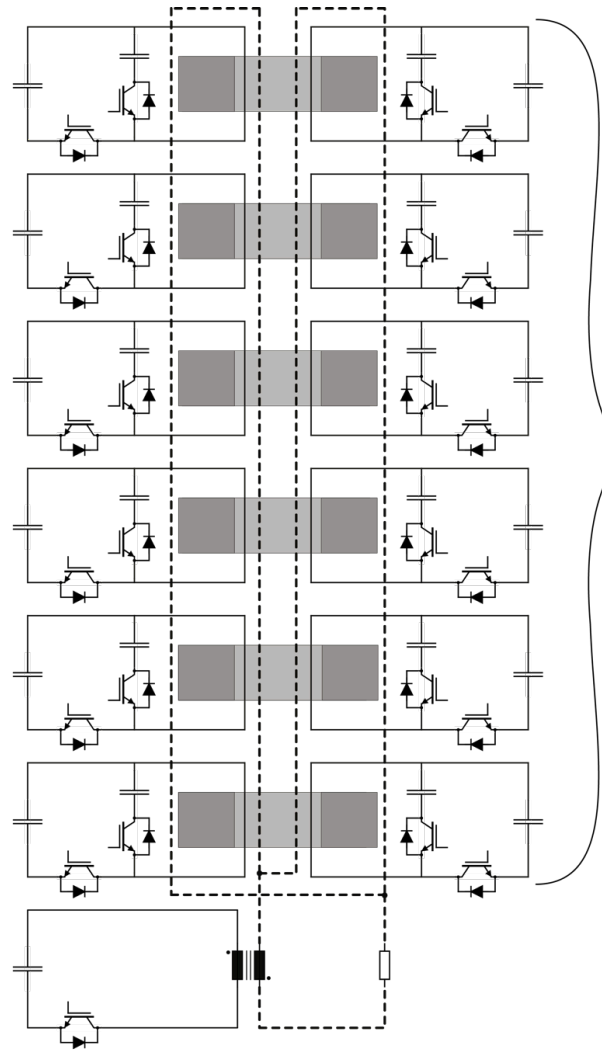


LC-Bouncer – Principle of Operation

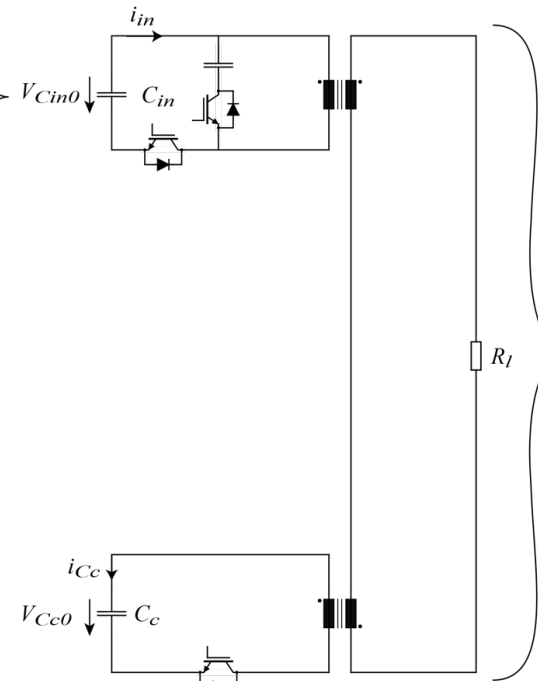
- **LC-oscillation: C_c & L_c**
 - Inductor voltage is added to pulse
 - Synchronisation: Mid of pulse = $T/4$
- **Two winding inductor**
 - ➔ Adaption to switch voltage
- **Design room is constraint by**
 - Max. switch current
 - Max. switch voltage
 - LC-oscillation frequency
 - Allowed droop



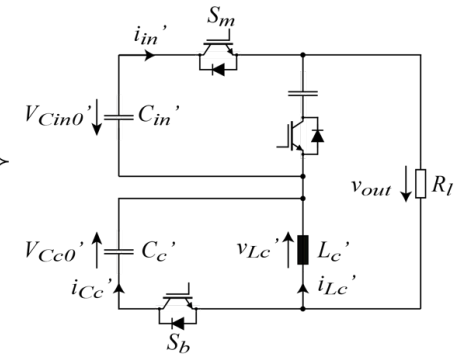
LC-Bouncer based on 2-Winding Inductor



Modulator with Matrix Transformer and Two-Winding Inductor Bouncer



Circuit with simplified Matrix Transformer



Simplified Circuit without Galvanic Insulation, Values referred to Secondary Side

LC-Bouncer – Design Results

- **Capacitor:**

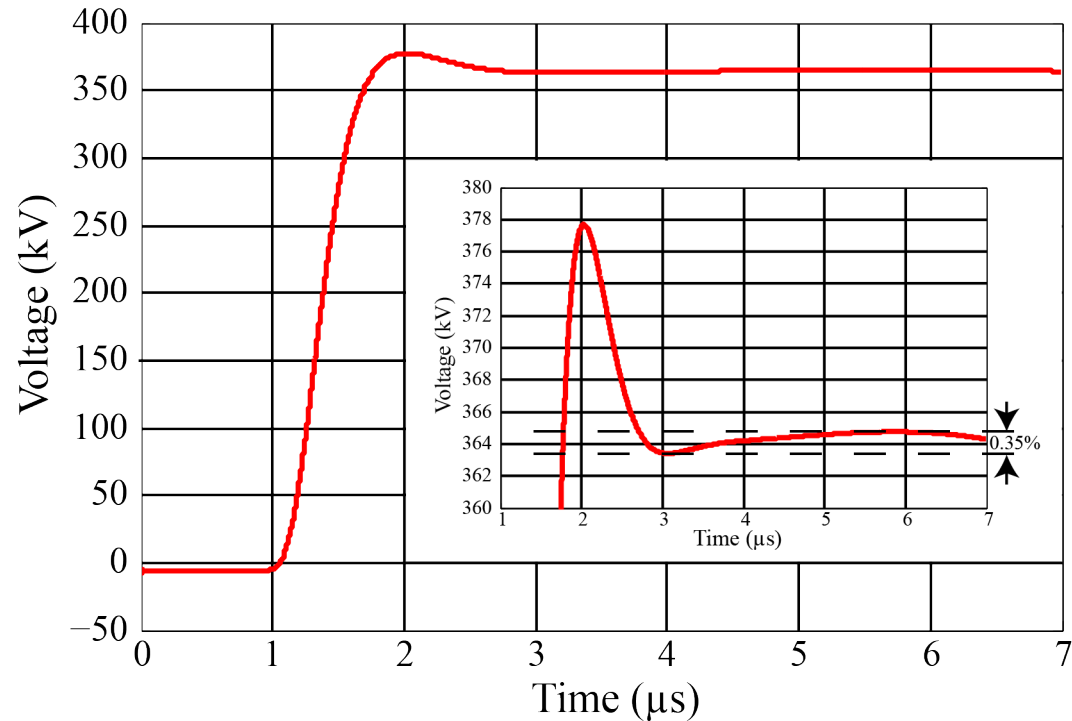
- Capacitance **1.5 μ F**
- Initial voltage **3kV**

- **Inductor:**

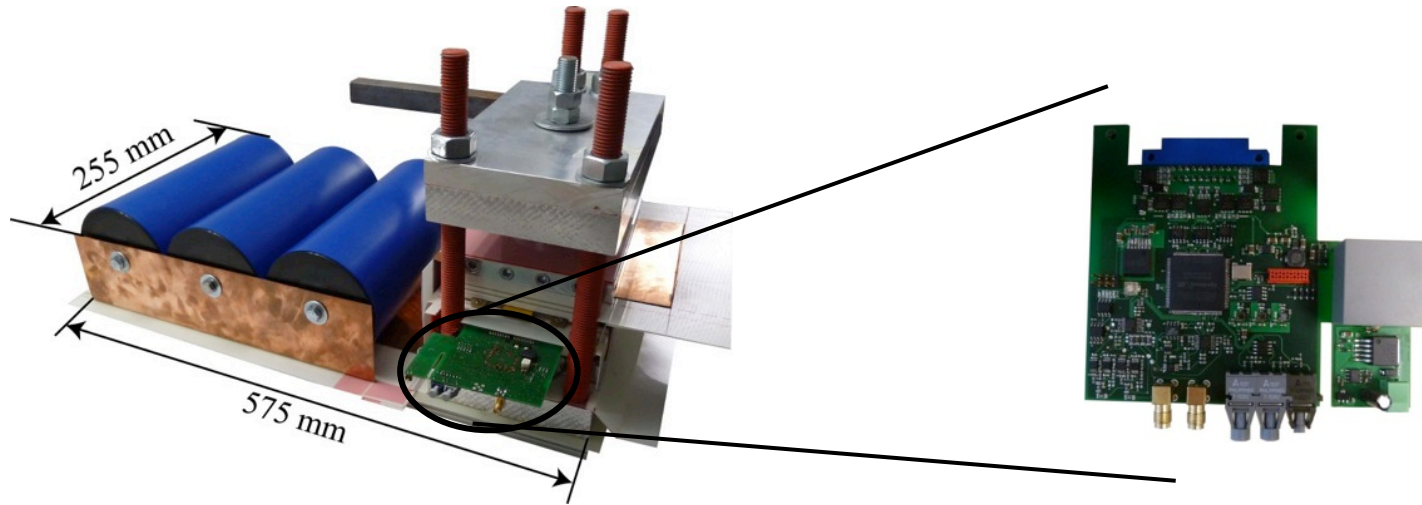
- Inductance **3.3 μ H**
- Inductor core **AMCC-800A**
- Dimensions **90x130x70 mm**
- No of primary turns **3**
- No of secondary turns **6**
- Peak current **1.7kA**

- **Jitter of bouncer**

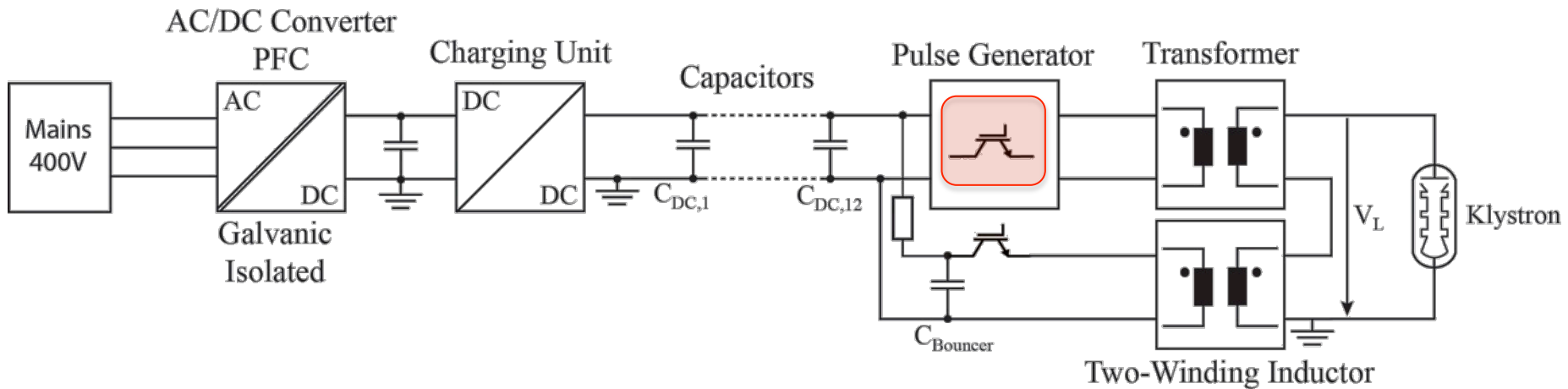
**→ Major impact
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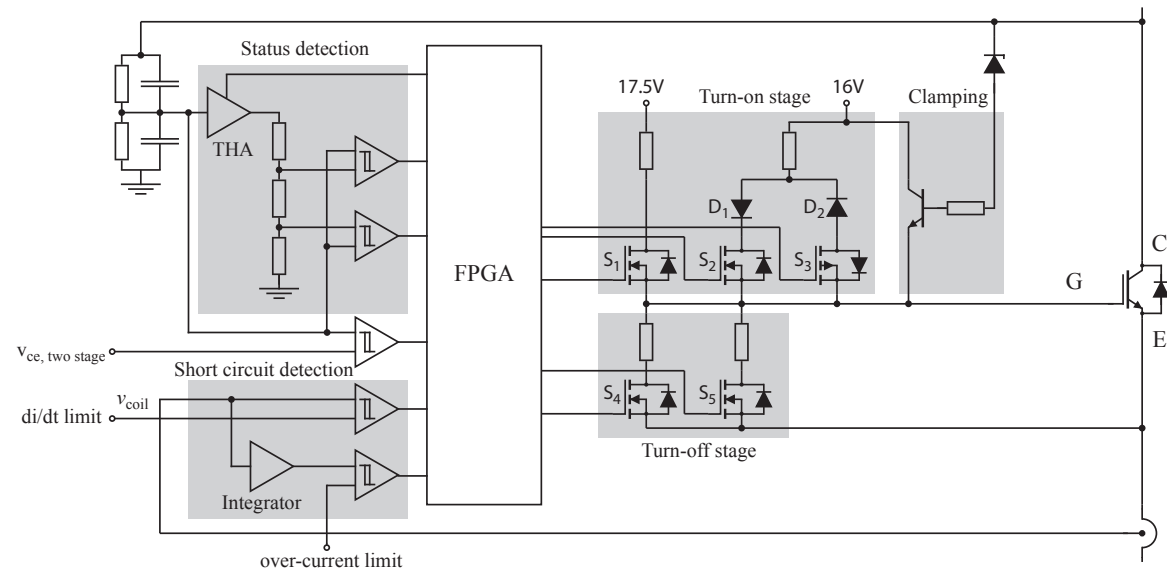
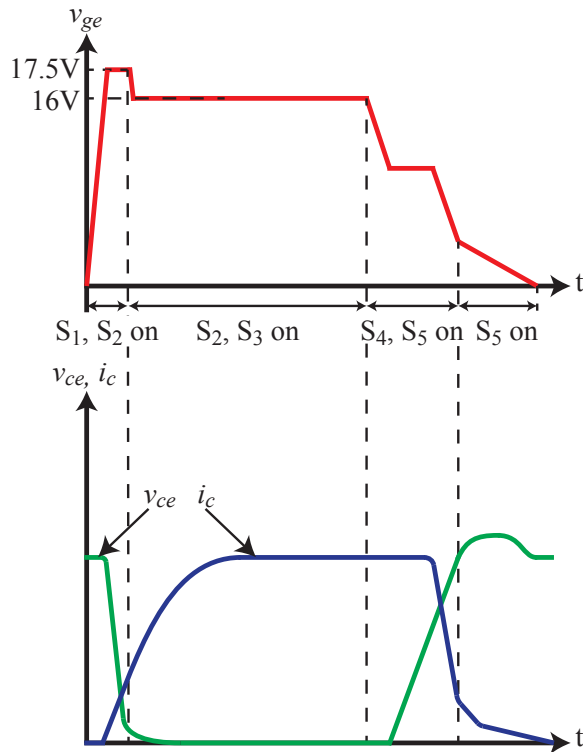
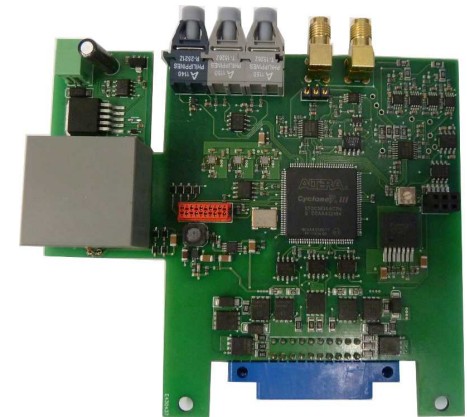
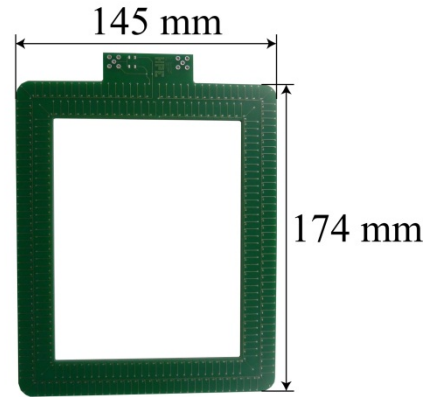


Switching Unit / Gate Drive



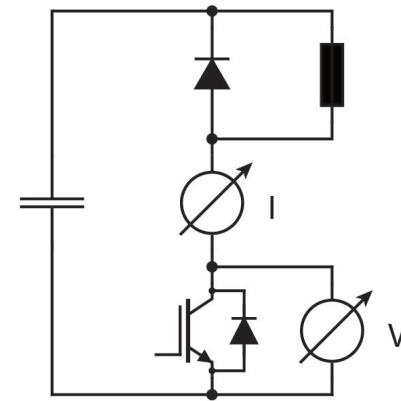
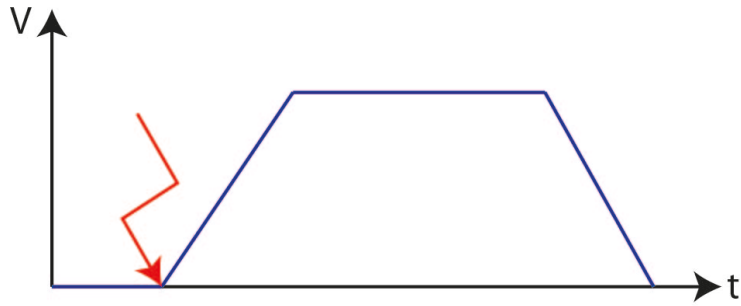
Gate Drive

- Fast turn on of IGBT
 - Multi-stage turn on
- Fast turn off of IGBT
 - Multi-stage turn off
 - Voltage clamping
- Fast over-current / over-di/dt detection
 - Rogowski coil

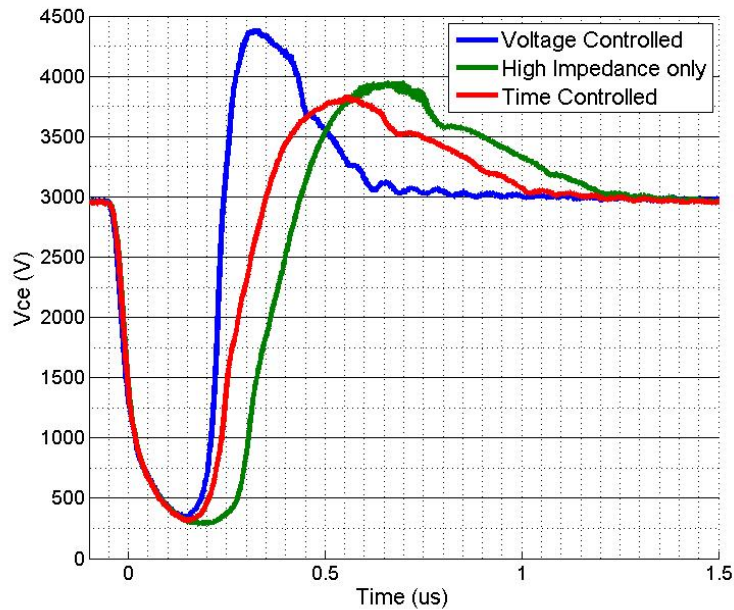


Turn on with existing Short Circuit

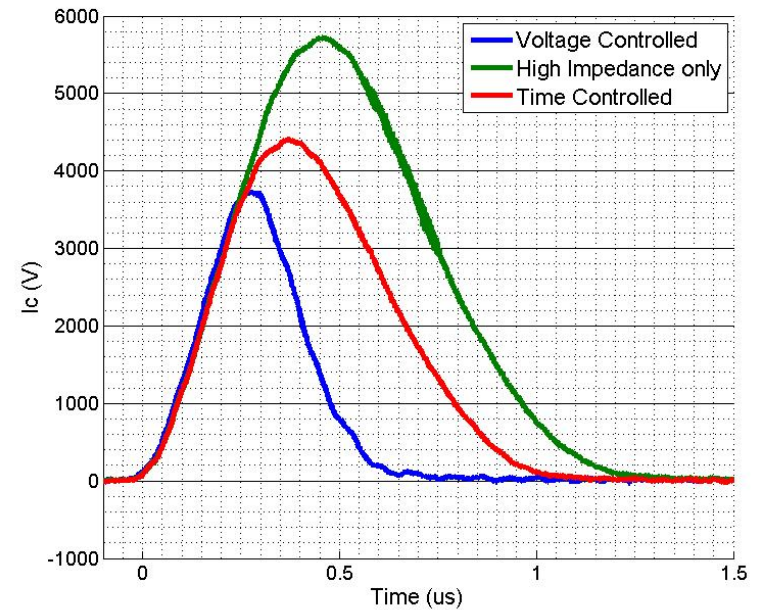
- Short circuit inductance: 50nH



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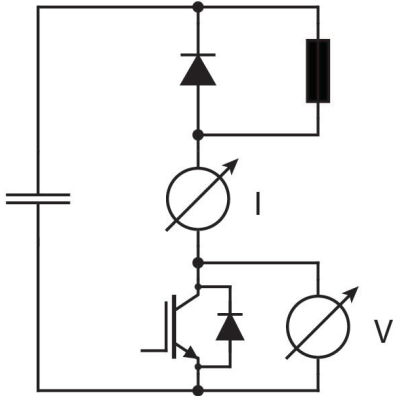
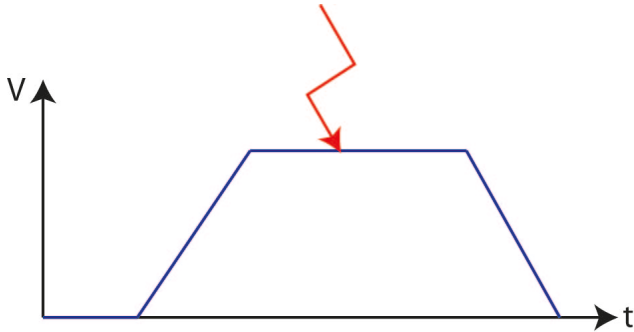


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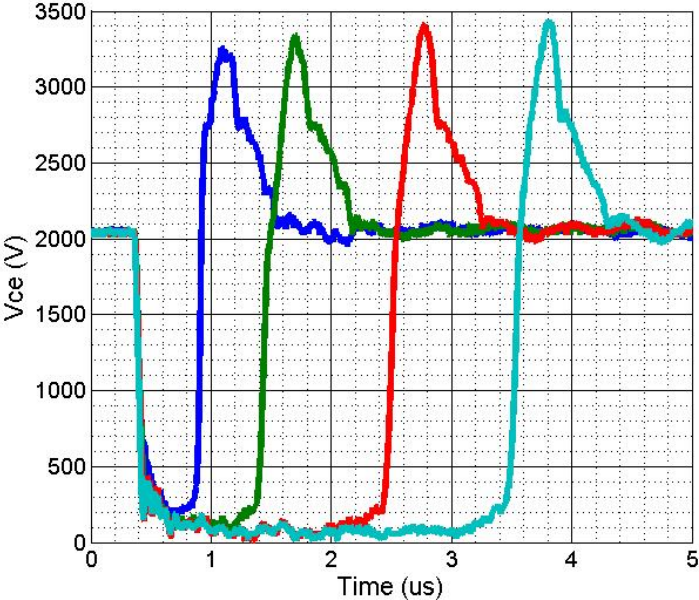


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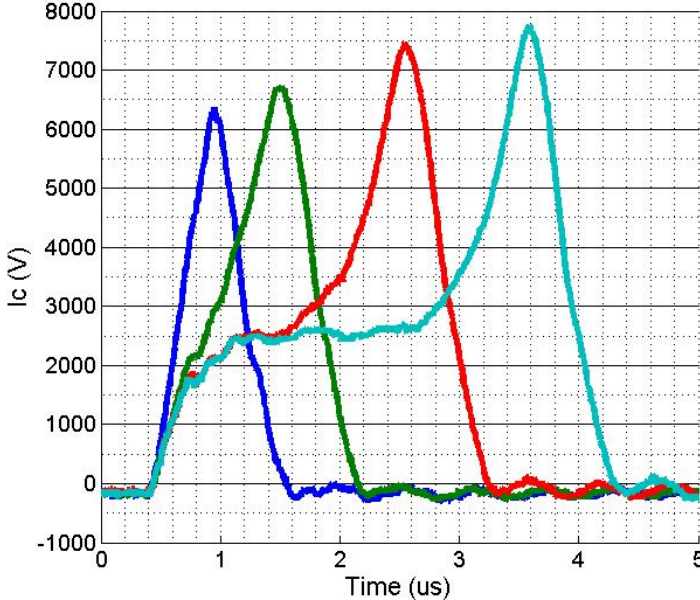
- Short circuit @ 50nH / 2kV / 500ns...3μs



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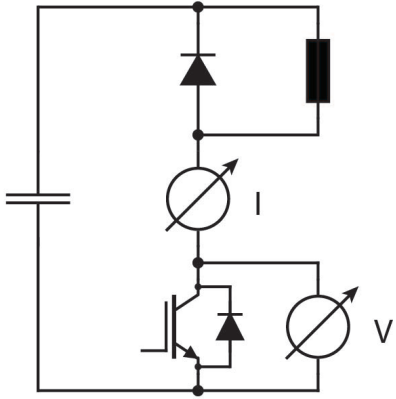
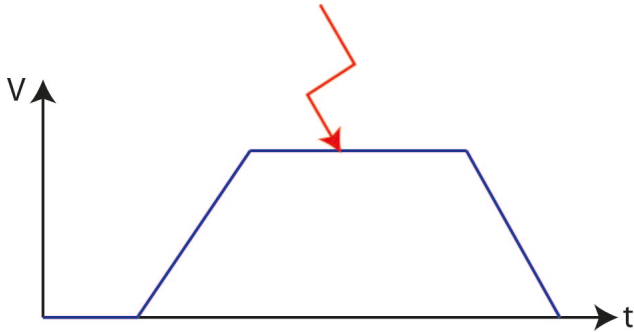


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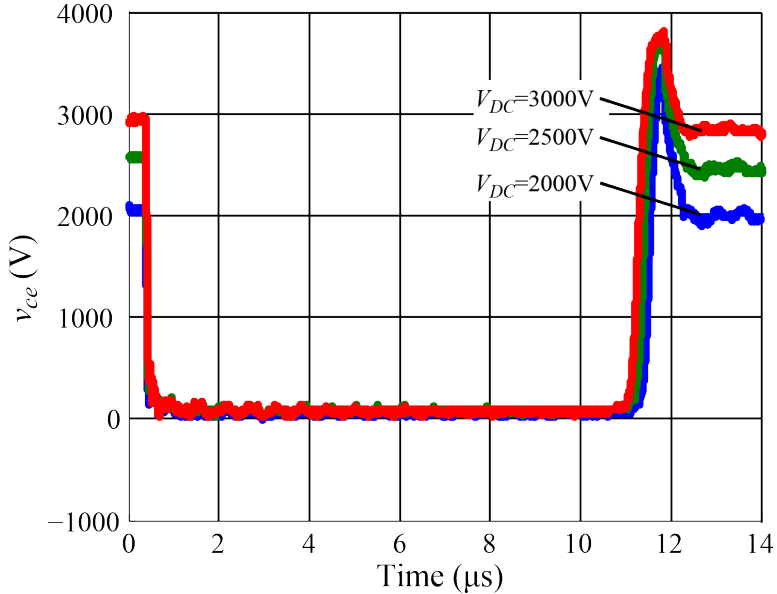


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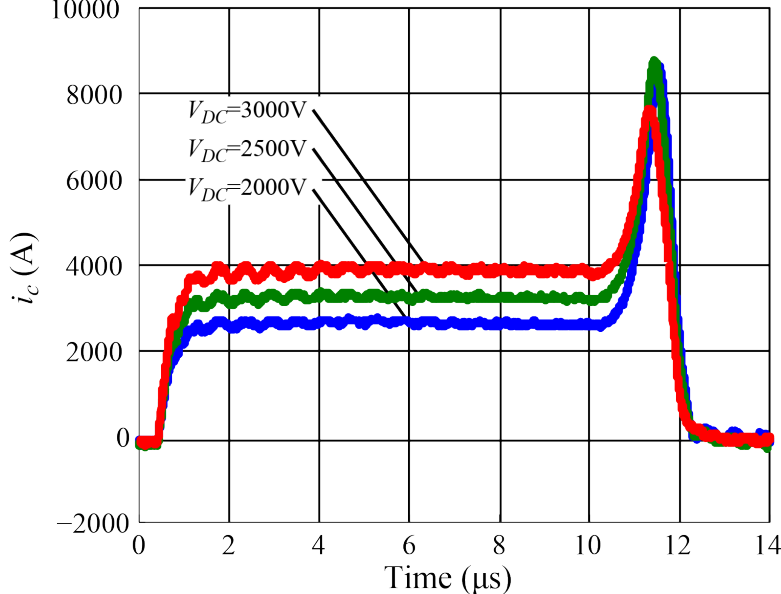
- Short circuit @ 50nH / 3kV / 10μs



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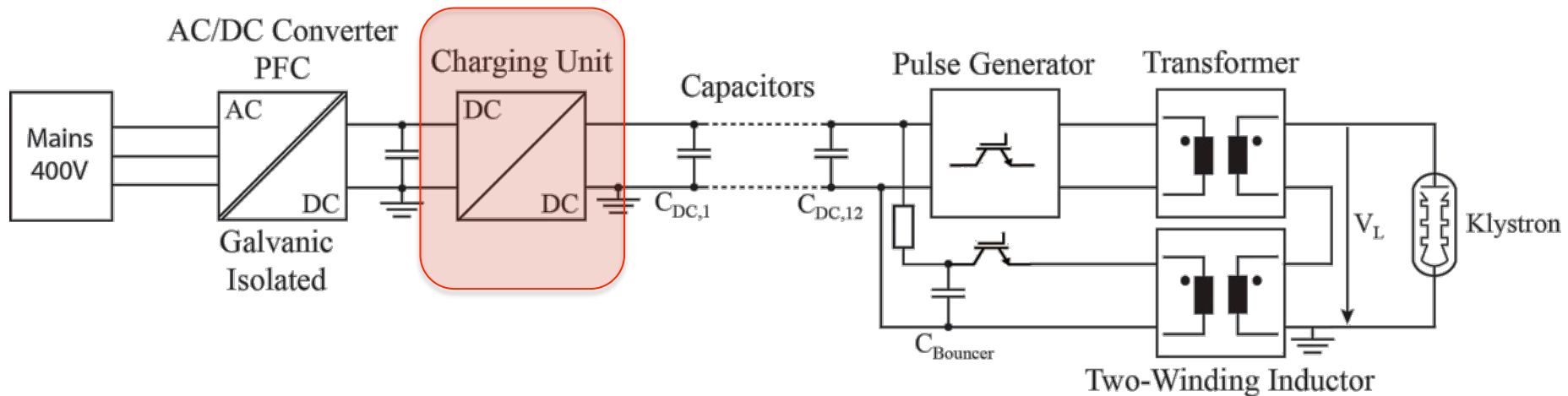
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Short Pulse Solid State Power Modulator

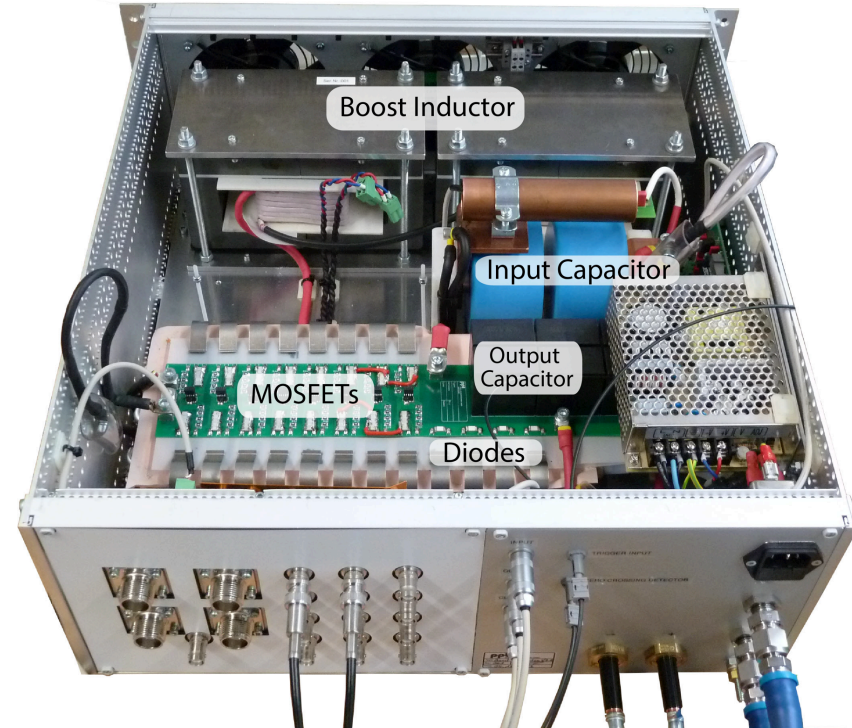
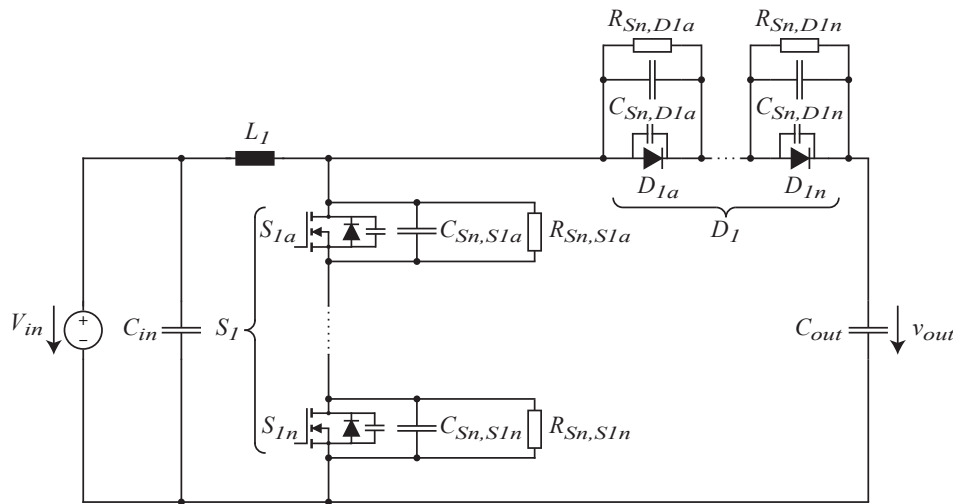


Ultra Precise Charging



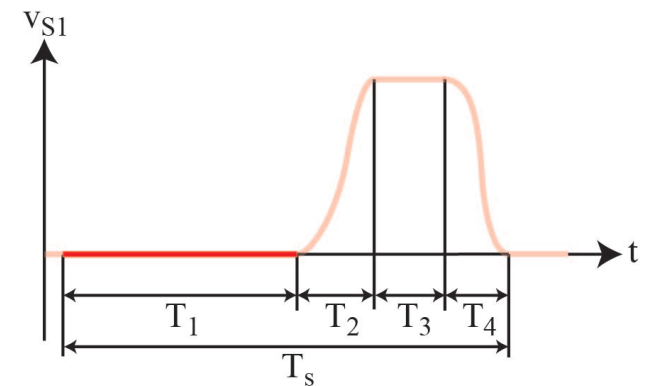
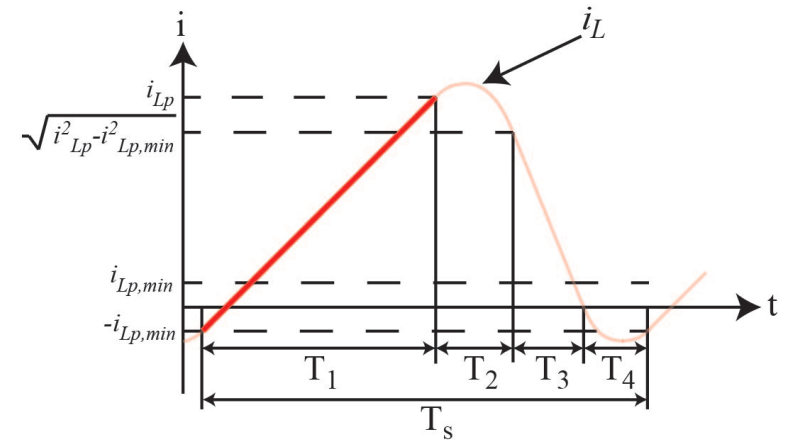
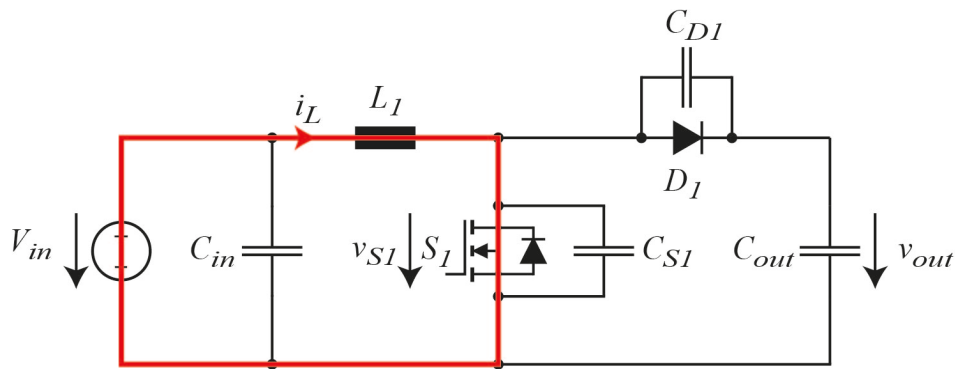
Ultra-Precise Charging Converter

- Triangular current mode (TCM)
- Two interleaved converters
- Input voltage $V_{IN} = 1.3\text{kV}$
- Output voltage $V_{Out} = 3\text{kV} \pm 30\text{mV}$
- Output power $P_{Out} = 2 \times 40\text{kW}$
- Switching freq. $f_s = 70 - 250\text{kHz}$
- Repeatability **10ppm**



Operating Principle – Charging of Inductor

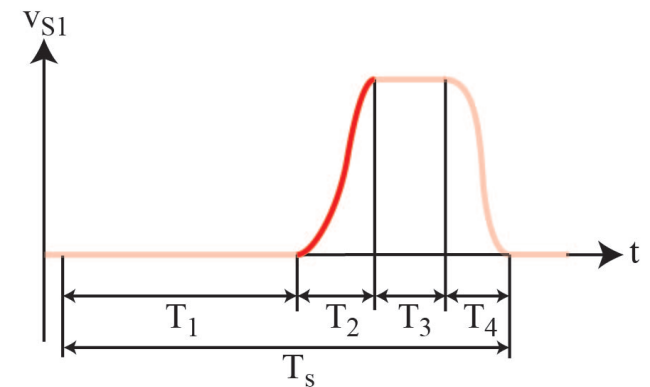
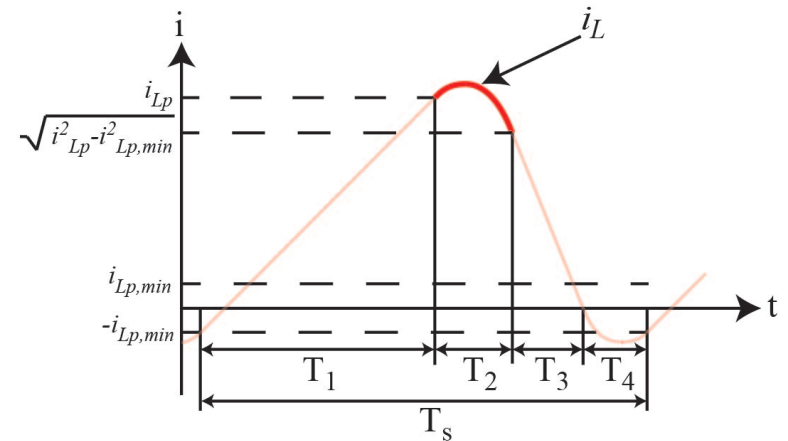
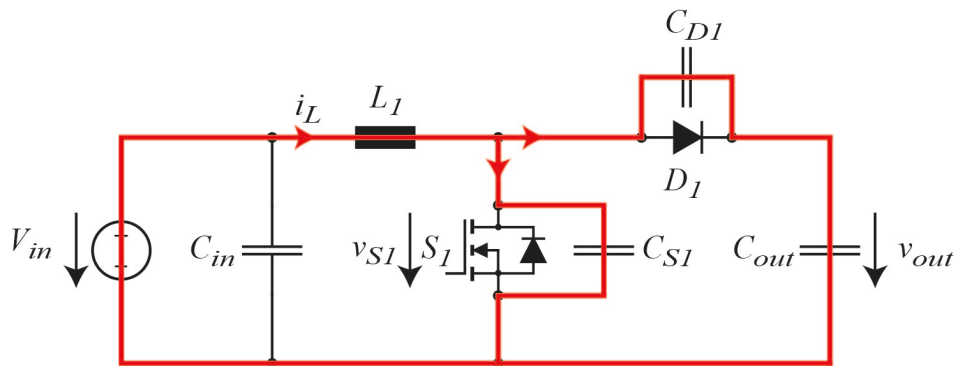
- Interval T_1
 - Inductor current increases



Operating Principle – Resonant Transition

Interval T_2

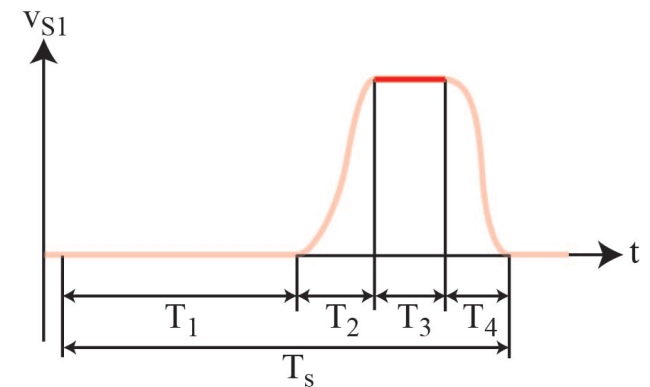
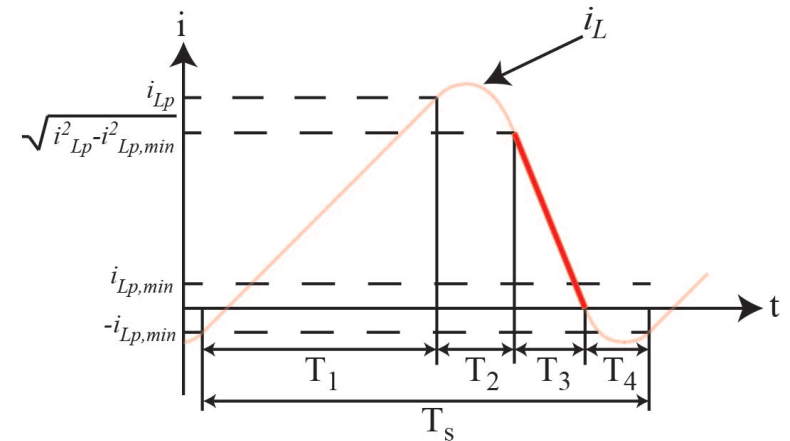
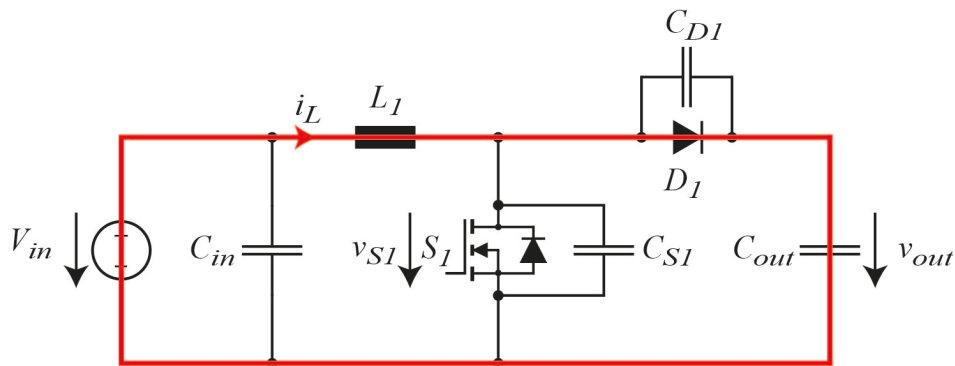
- ZVS turn off of S_1
- Resonant transition
- C_{S1} is charged to v_{out}
- C_{D1} is discharged to 0



Operating Principle – Charging of Output Capacitor

Interval T_3

- Inductor current decreases
- C_{out} is charged through D_1

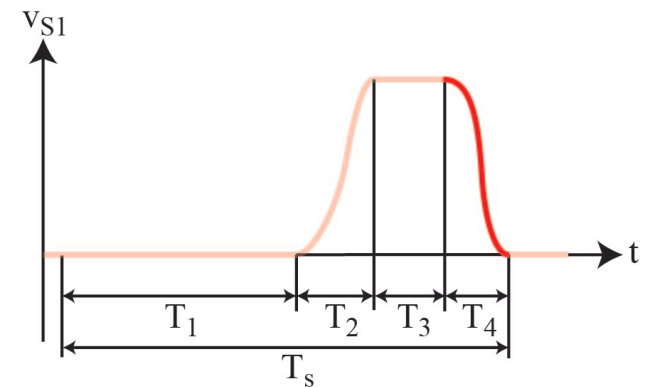
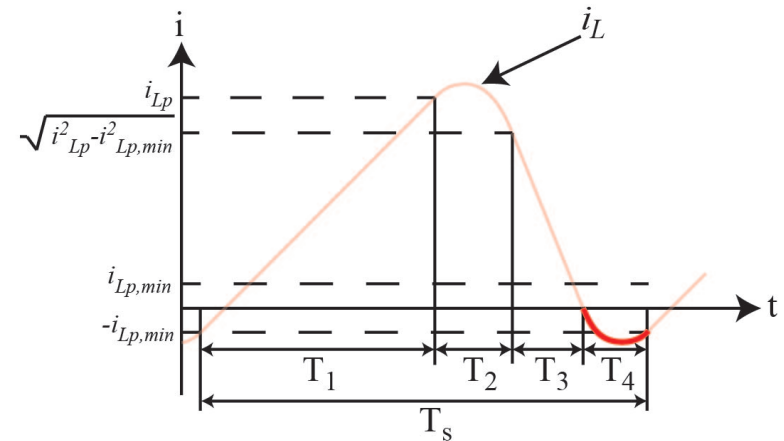
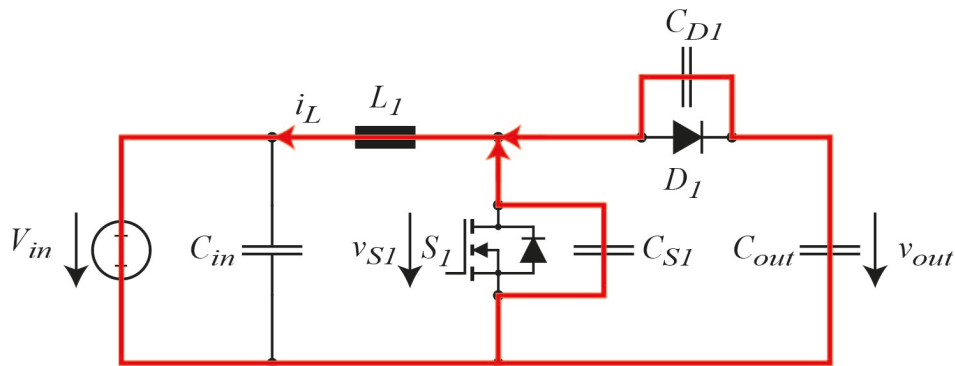


Operating Principle – Resonant Transition II → ZVS Turn on off S_1

Interval T_4

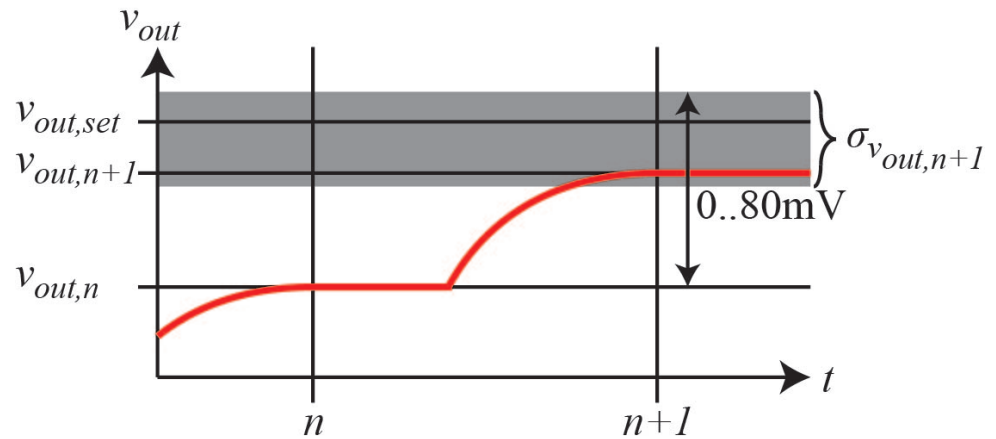
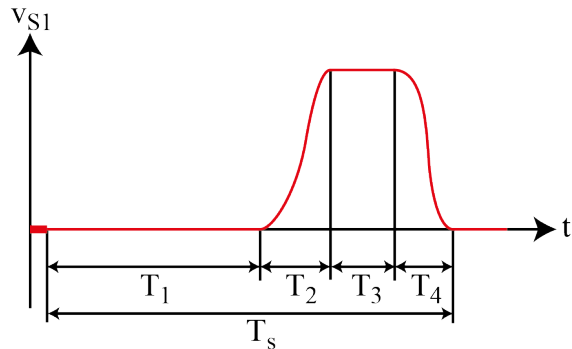
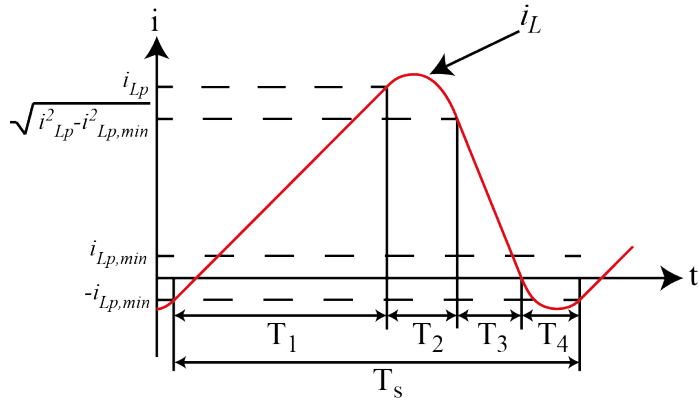
- Resonant transition
- C_{D1} is charged to v_{out}
- C_{S1} is discharged to 0
- $C_S = C_{D1} + C_{S1}$
- Negative i_L

Range of ZVS operation is limited



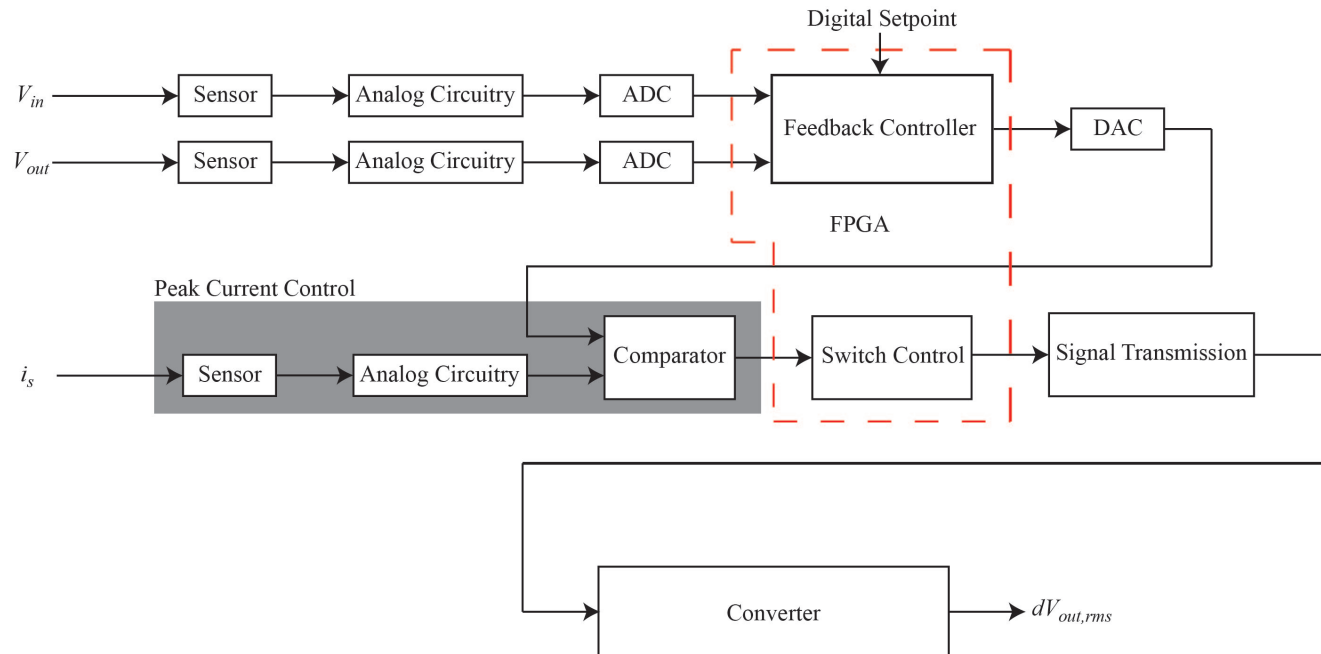
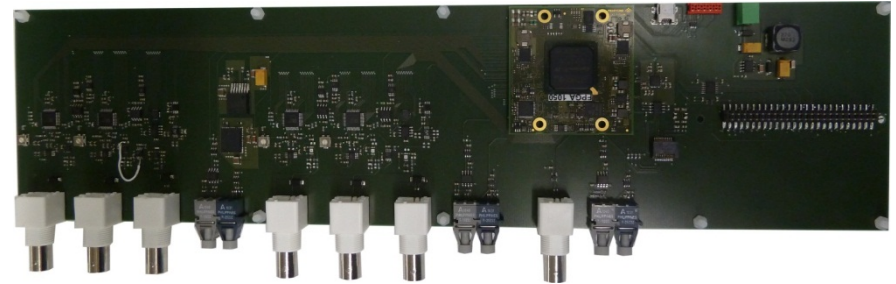
Control – Ultra precise charging

- Switching cycles are independent
- Cycle-to-cycle feedback control
- Required peak current / on-time is calculated for the next cycle
- $i_{Lp}=0..80A \rightarrow \Delta v_{out}=0..80mV$

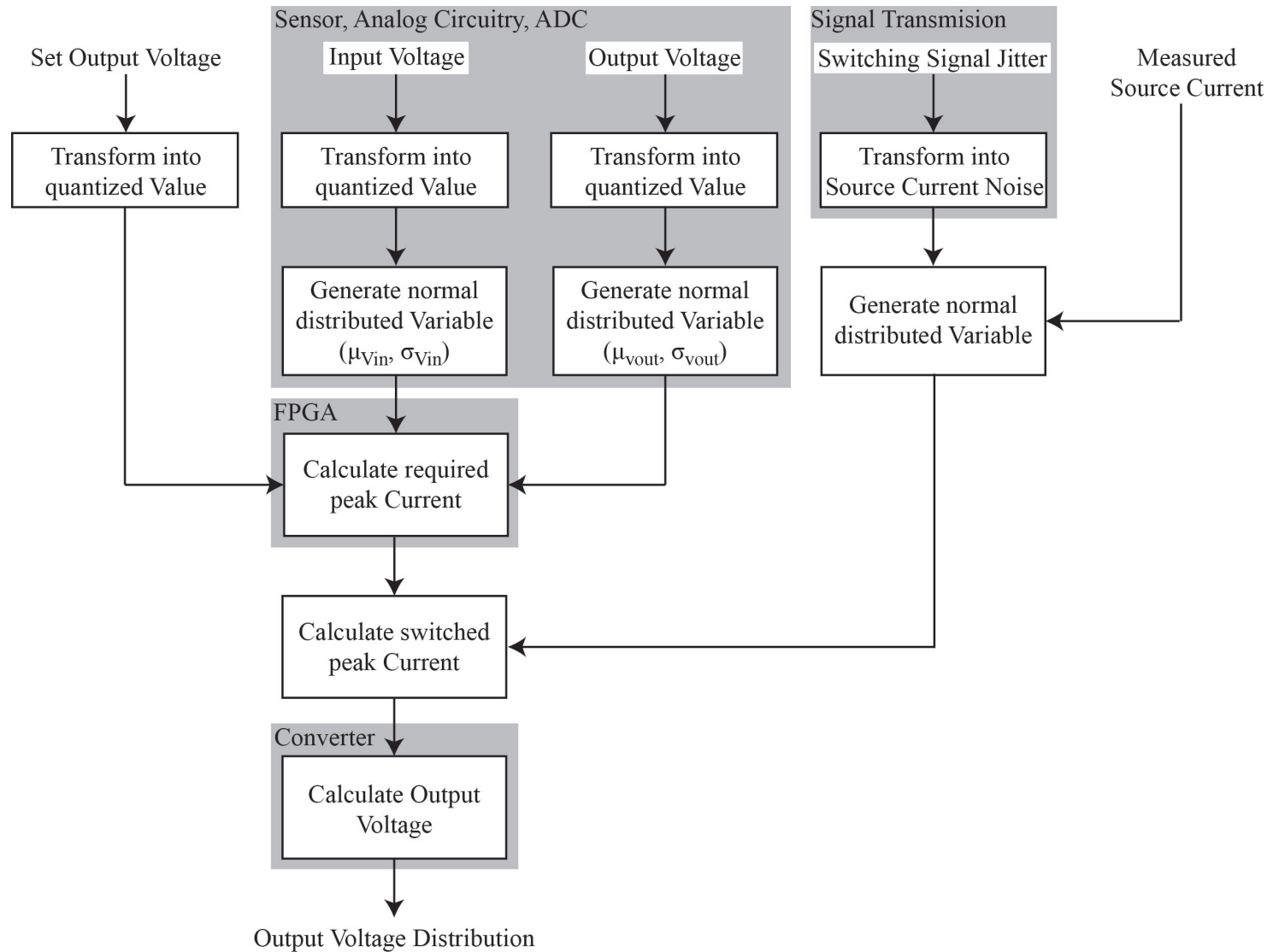


Control Hardware – Factors influencing Repeatability

- Input voltage measurement SNR
- Output voltage measurement SNR
- Switch current measurement SNR
- ADC resolution
- Quantization related errors
- DAC resolution
- Converter limitations
- Finite resolution in digital domain
- Switching signal jitter

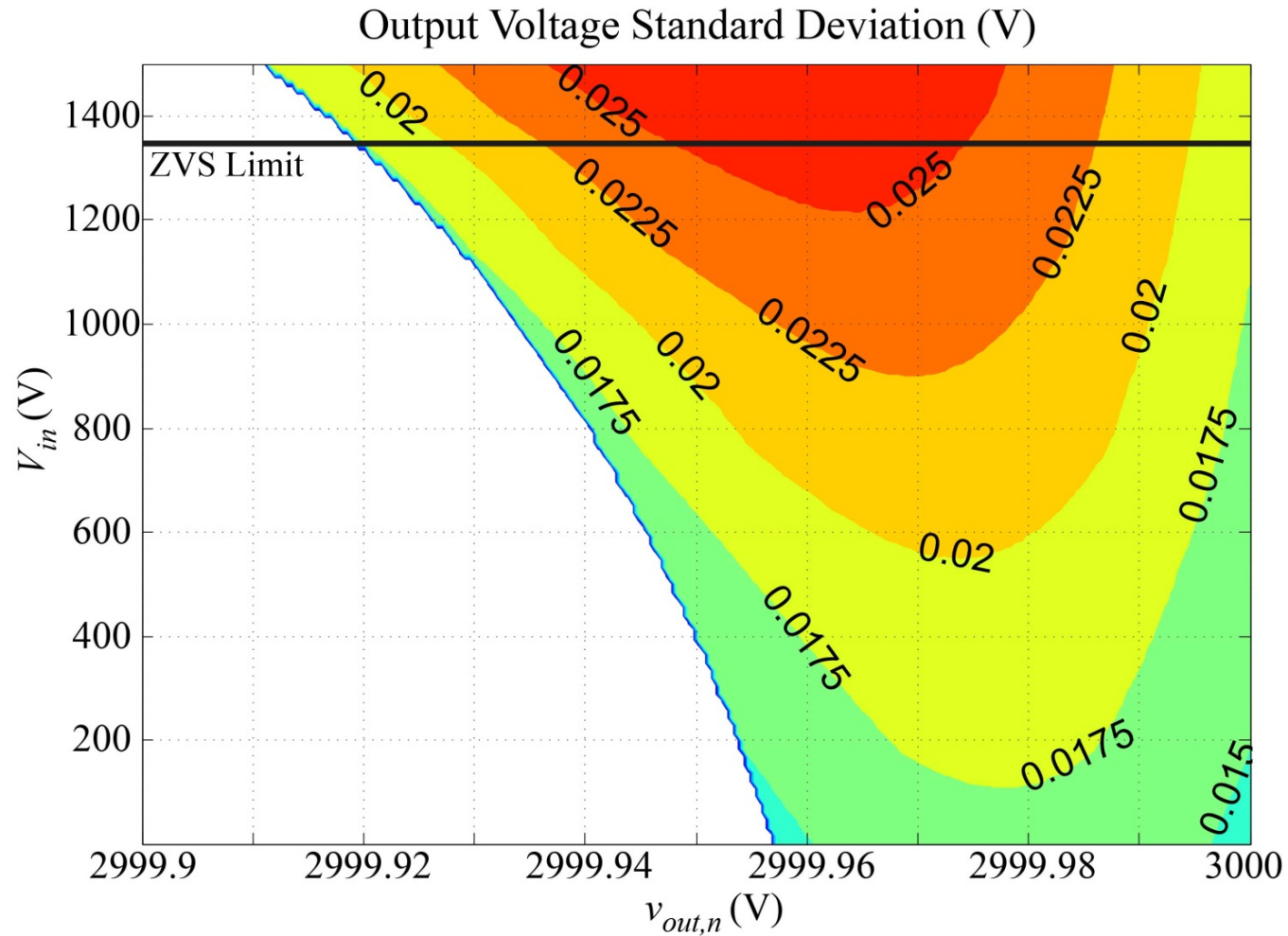


Precision Analysis: Algorithm

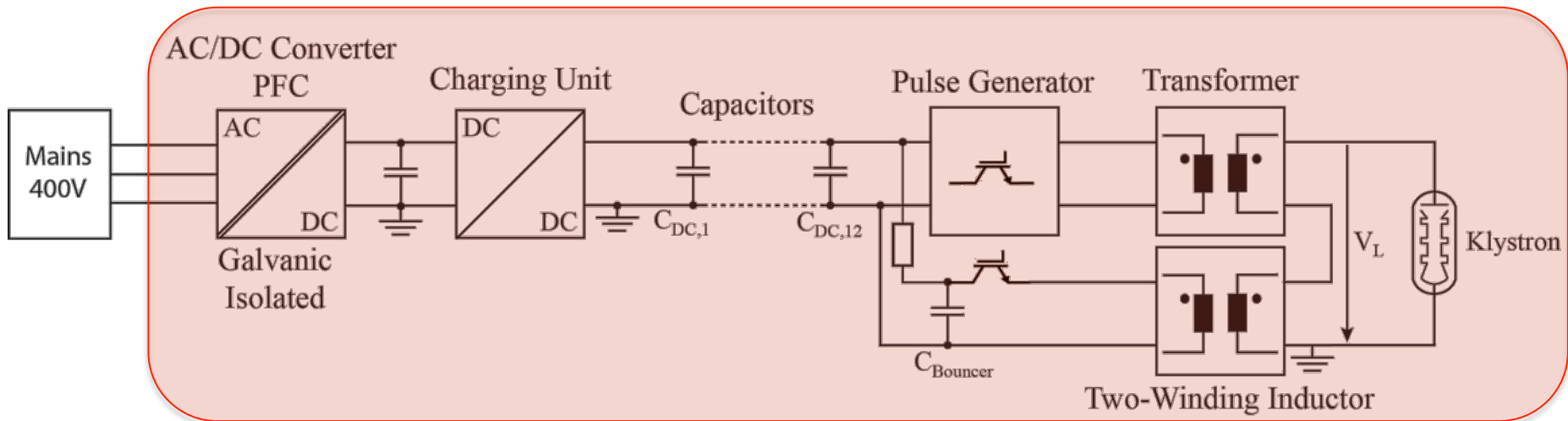


Charging Precision Analysis – Aim: $\pm 0.03\text{V}$

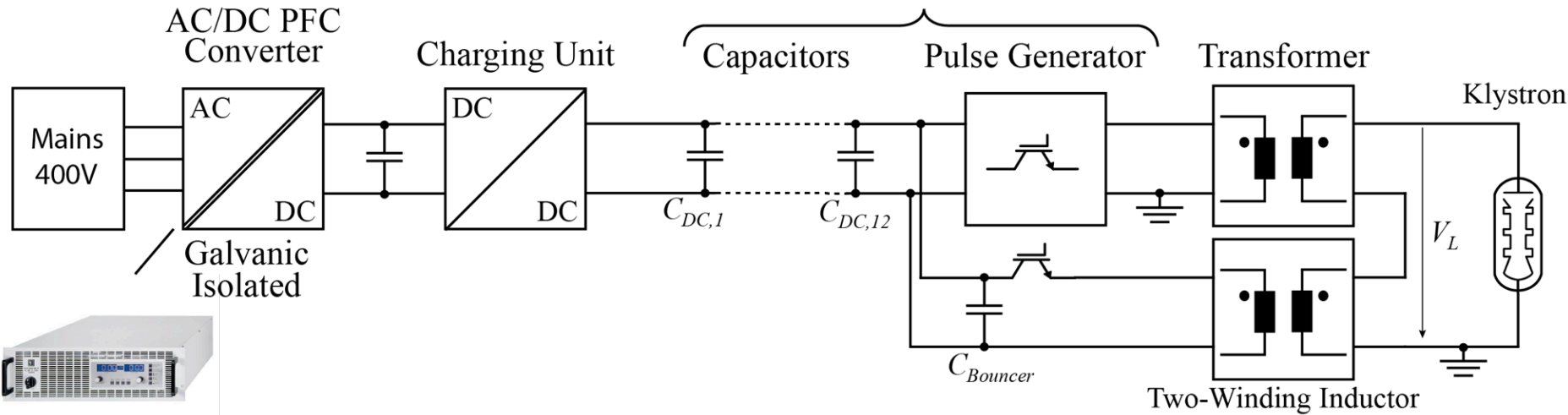
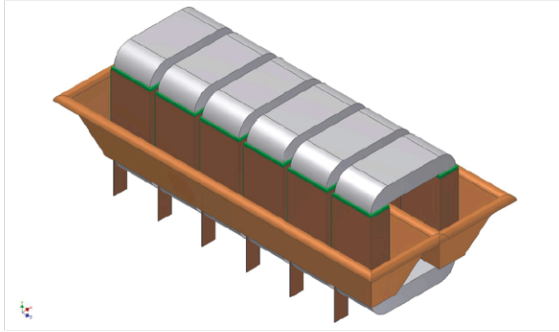
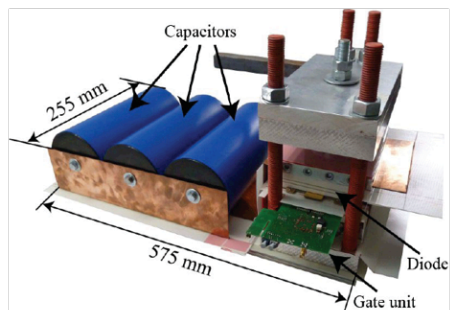
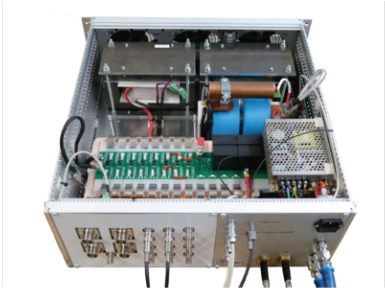
- ADC 18Bit
- DAC 12Bit
- Jitter 5ns
- $\text{SNR}_{V_{\text{meas}}}$ 92.5dB
- $\text{SNR}_{V_{\text{meas}}}$ 60dB
- Signal Delay 260ns



Short Pulse Solid State Power Modulator



Solid-State Modulator with Pulse Transformer & PFC Supply



PFC / Charging Unit

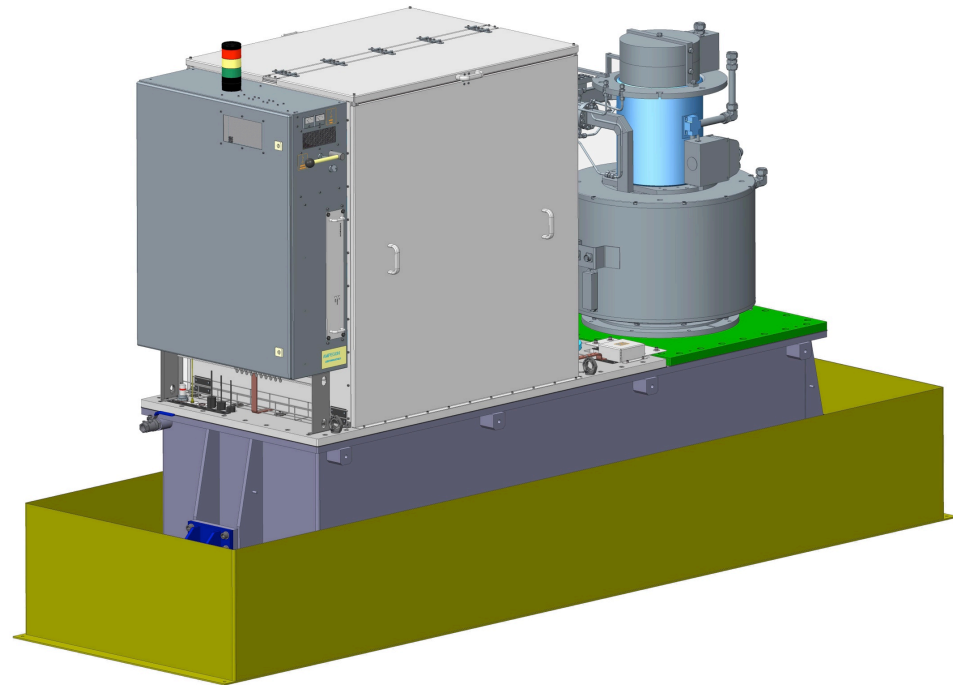
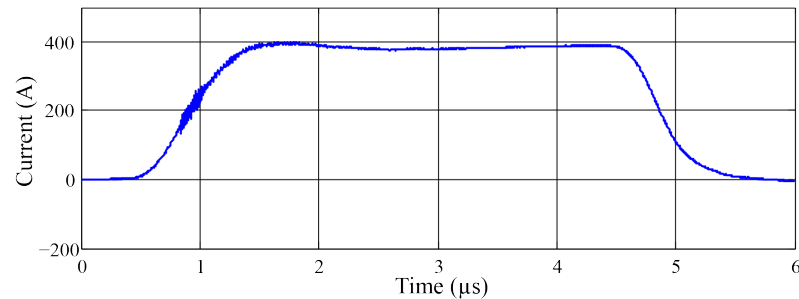
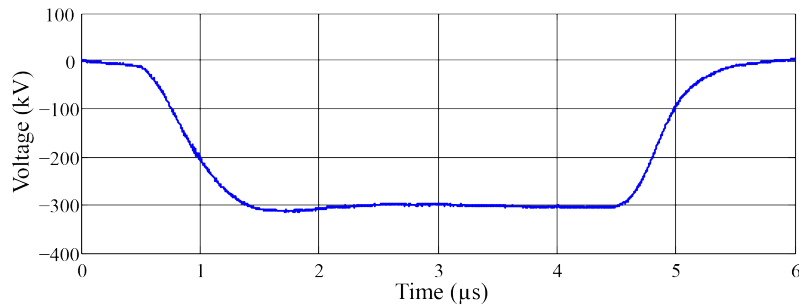
Pulse Generator

Pulse Transformer

System Setup – 127MW / 370kV / 3 μ s

- 12 Sub-units
- 24 Press-pack IGBTs
 - 12 Main switches
 - 12 Pre-magnetisation switches
 - (1 bouncer switch)
- 6 Transformer cores

➔ Final testing mid 2014

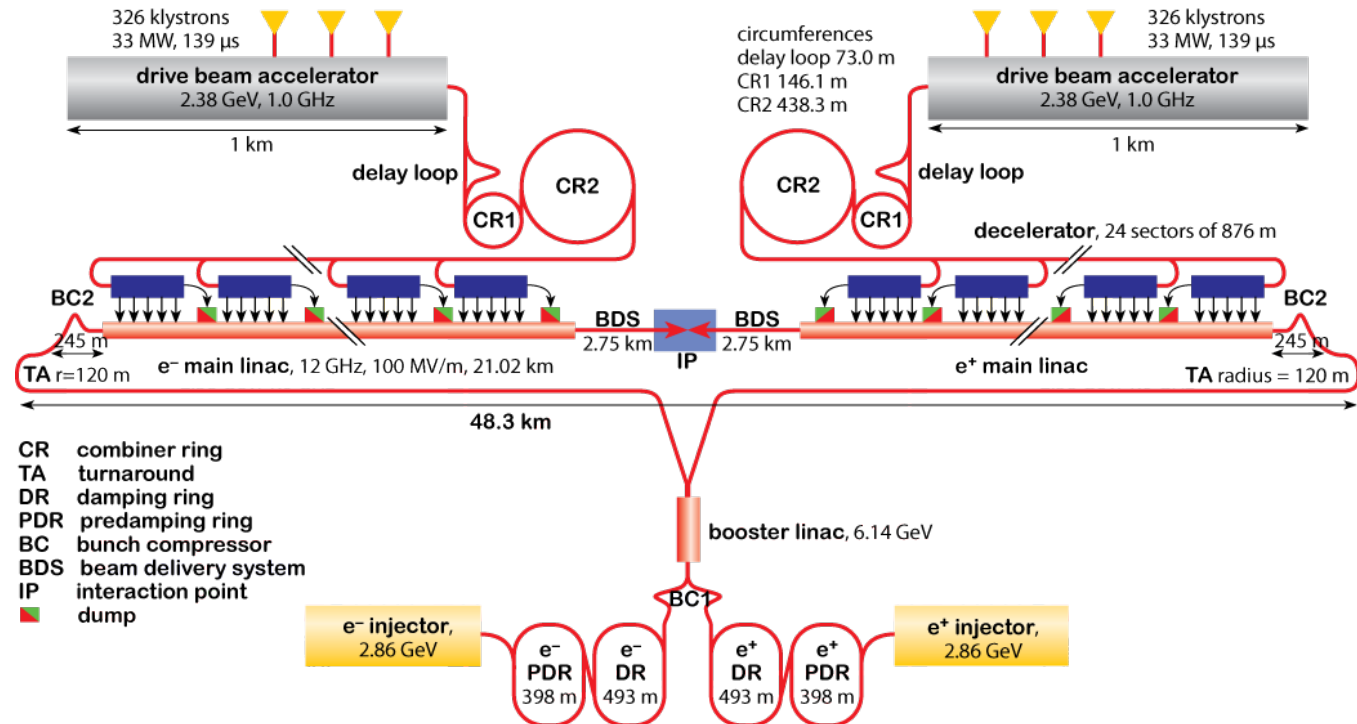


Medium Long Pulse Modulator ($\sim 100\mu\text{s}$)

Ultra High Precision Klystron Modulators for Compact Linear Colliders (CLIC)

CLIC System Specifications

- Pulse voltage **180kV**
- Pulse power **35MW**
- Pulse duration **140 μ s**
- Repetition rate **50Hz**
- Rise/fall time **3 μ s + 5 μ s settling**
- Max. pulse droop **0.85%**
- **Reproducibility 10ppm**
- **System efficiency > 90%**

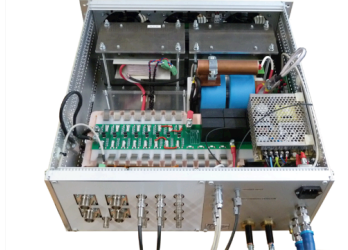


Modulator System - Overview

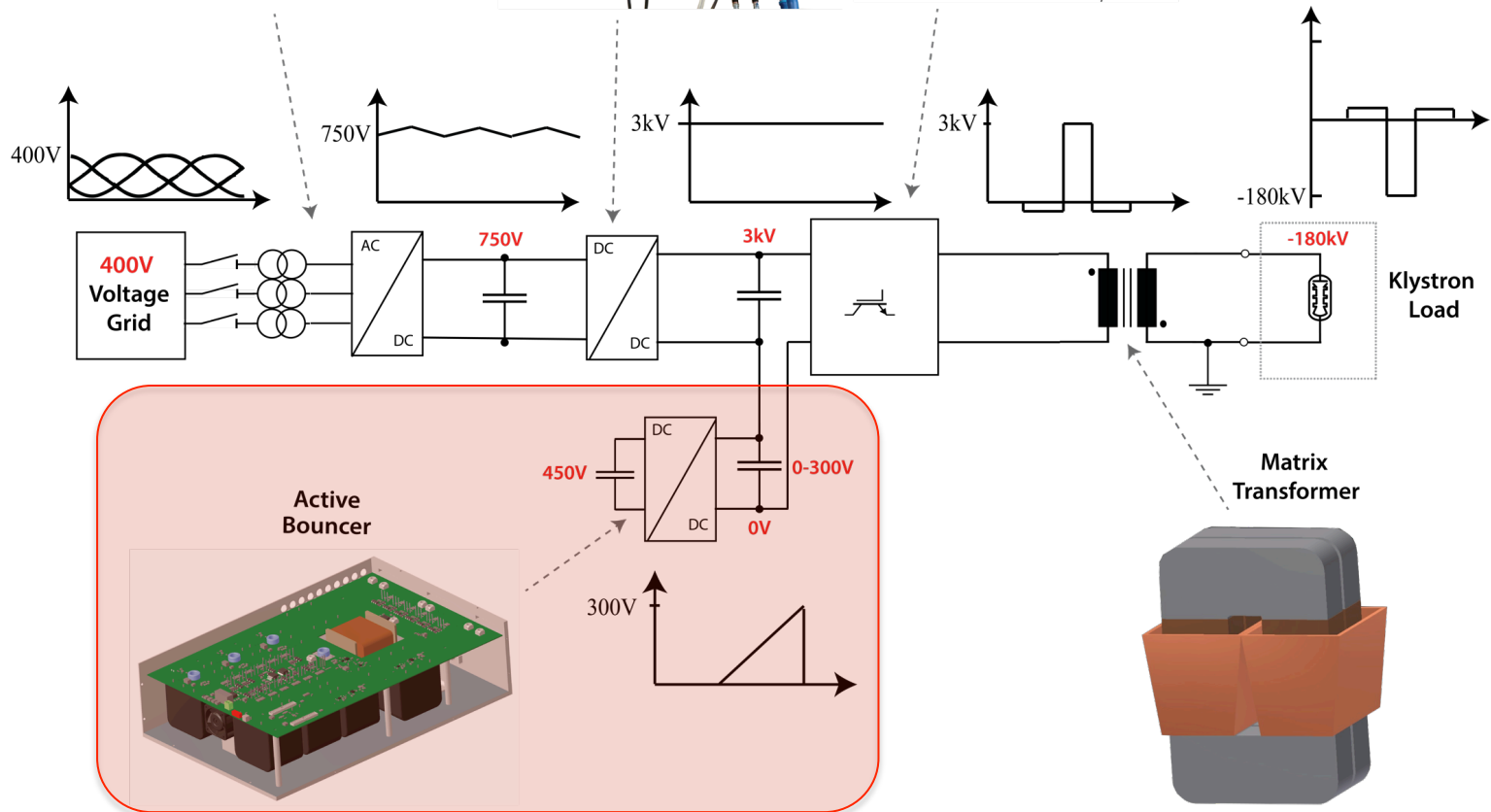
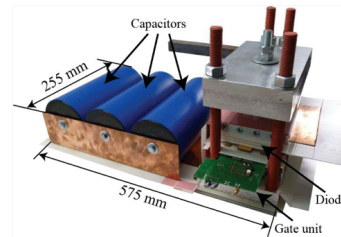
AC/ DC unit



Interleaved Boost Converter

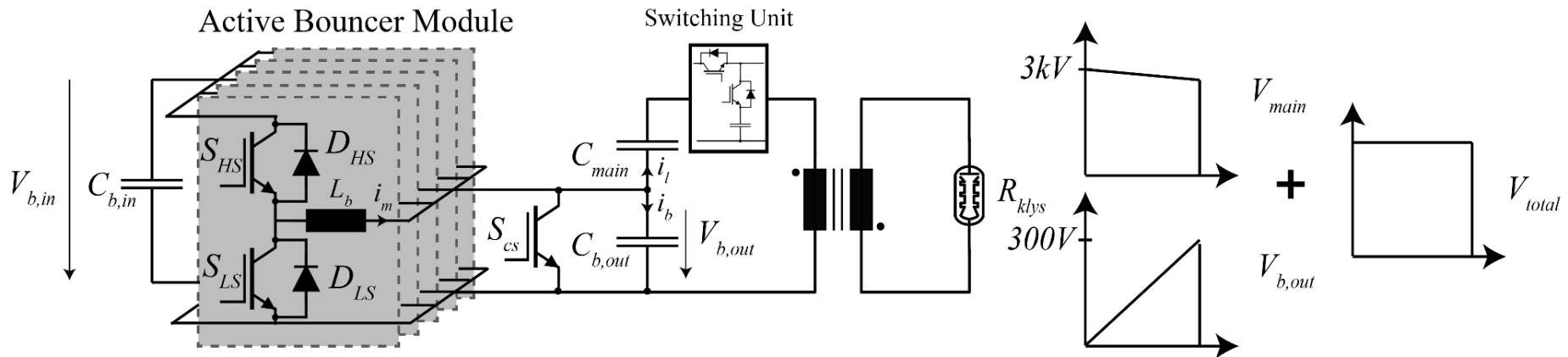


Switching Unit



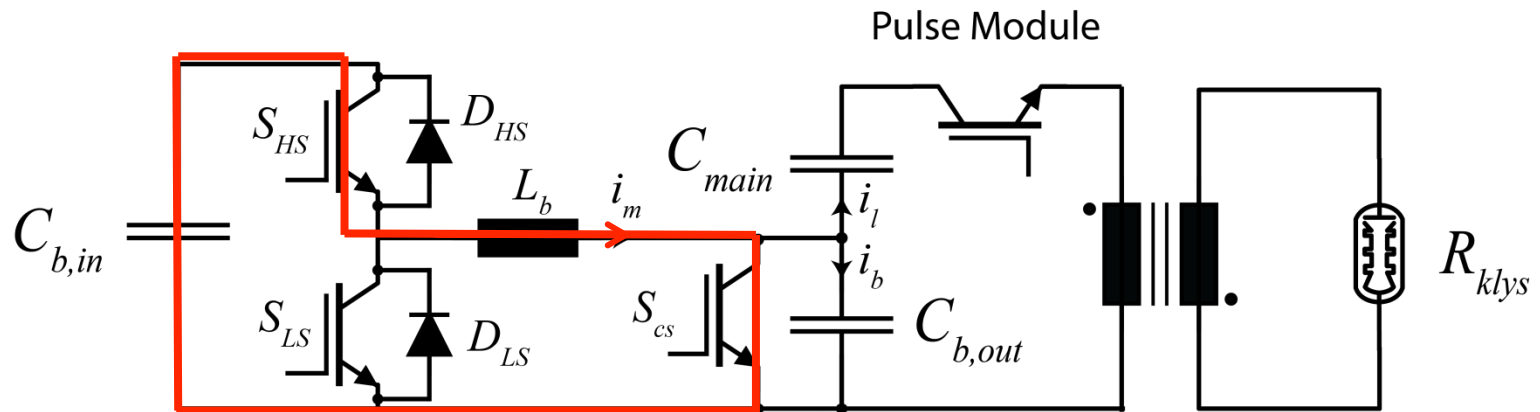
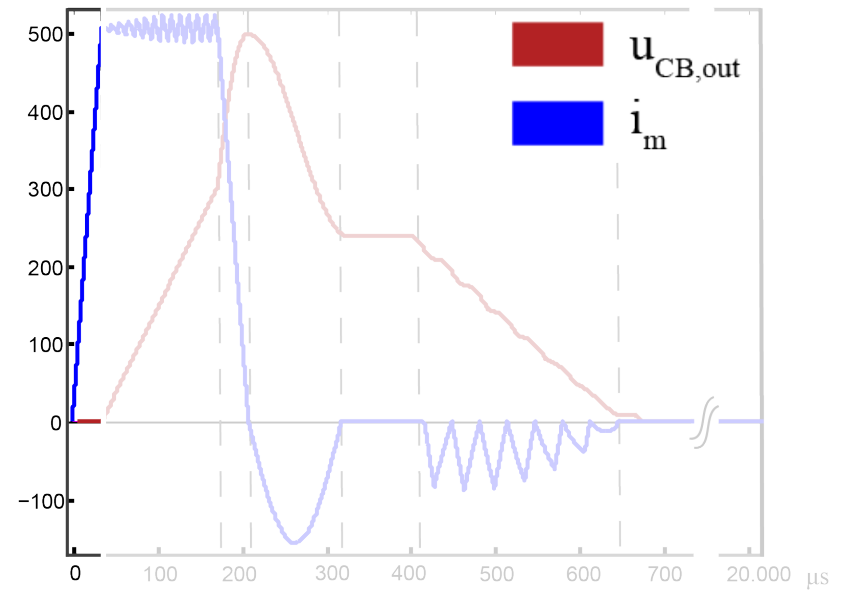
Active Bouncer Topology

- Interleaved buck-boost converter with short circuit switch
- Voltage levels:
 - $V_{main} = 3kV$
 - $V_{B,In} = 450V$
 - $V_{B,Out} = 0 - 300V$
 - 10% drop in main capacitor
- Aim: 10ppm repeatability
 - < 5 ppm ripple induced by bouncer
 - 24-fold interleaving (4 x 6)
 - Effective ripple frequency up to 2.4 MHz
 - Parallel redundancy



Operation Principle – Before Main Pulse

- Ramp up before main switch is closed:
 - $C_{b,out}$ is shortened
 - Current in L_b increases

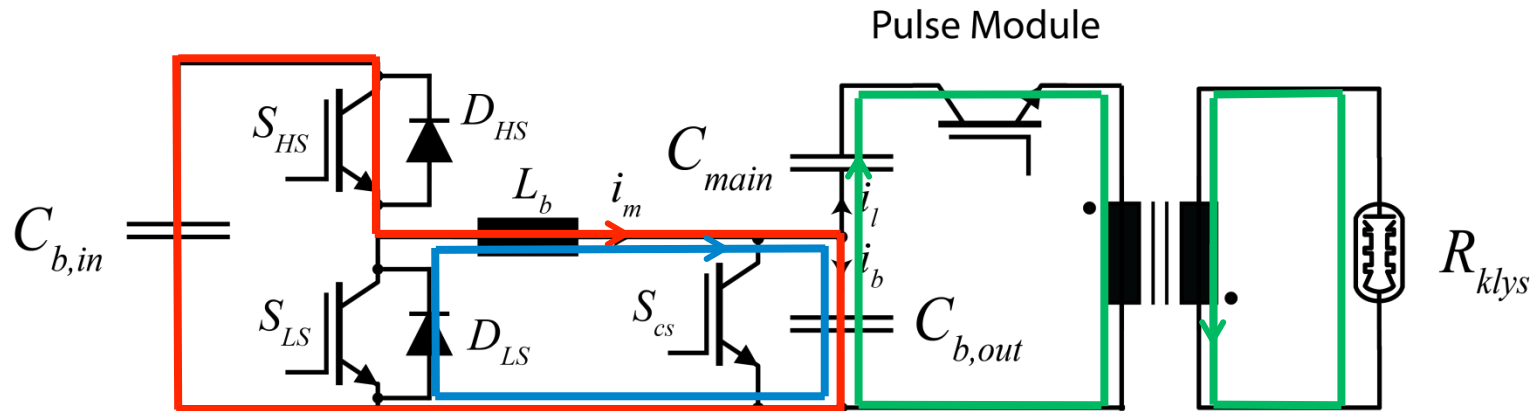
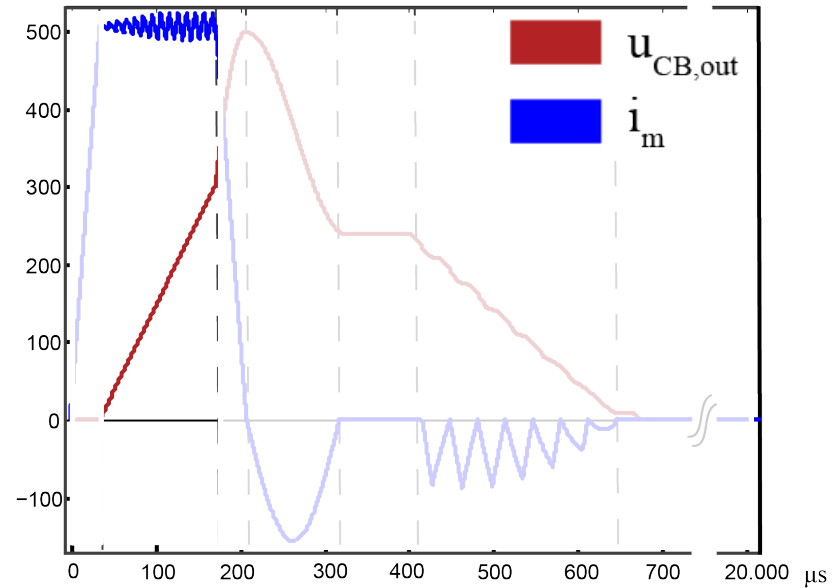


Operation Principle – Output Pulse

- Interleaved buck operation during pulse:

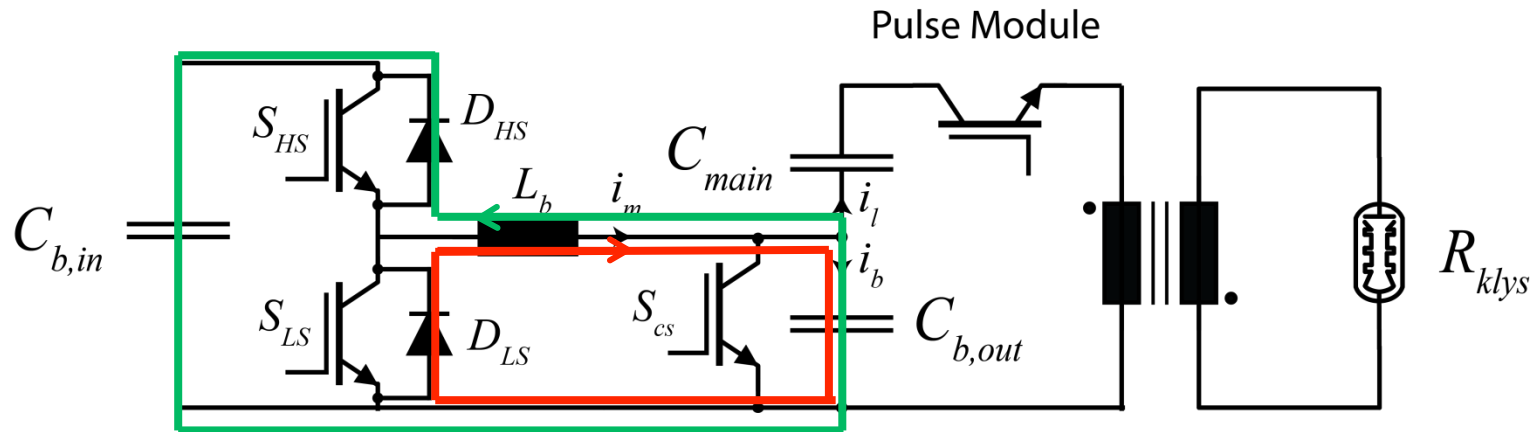
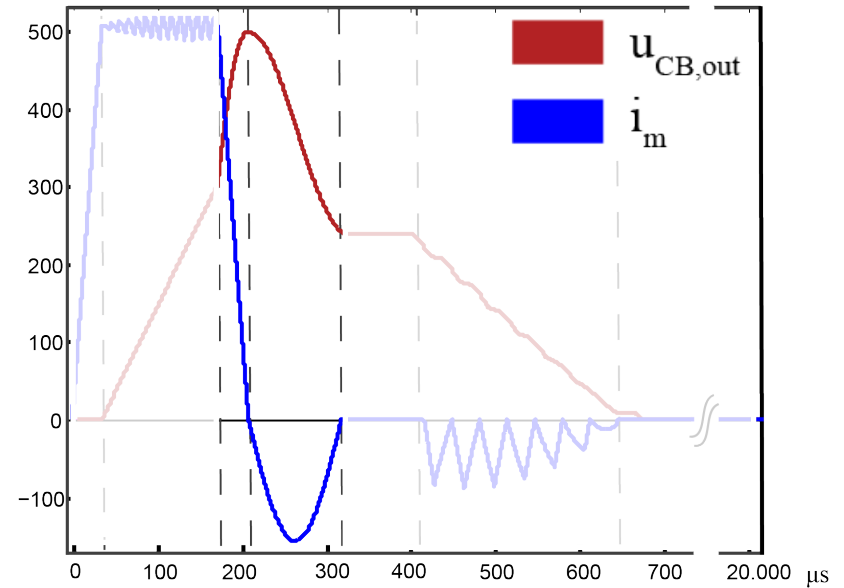
- $-f_{switch} = 100\text{kHz}$

- $-i_m = i_b + i_m$



Operation Principle – After Main Pulse

- Resonant transition $C_{b,out}$ & L_b



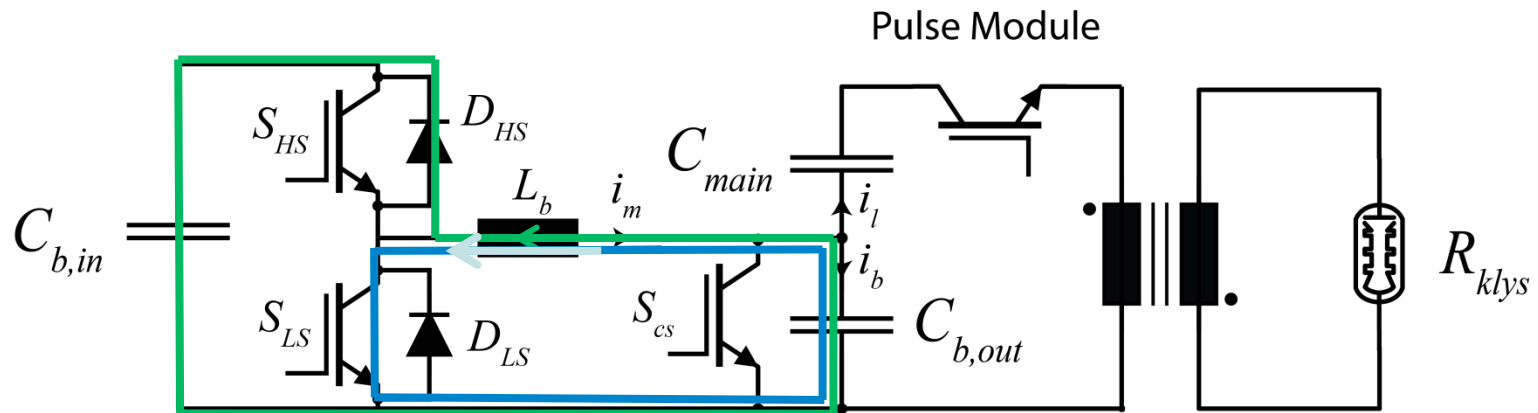
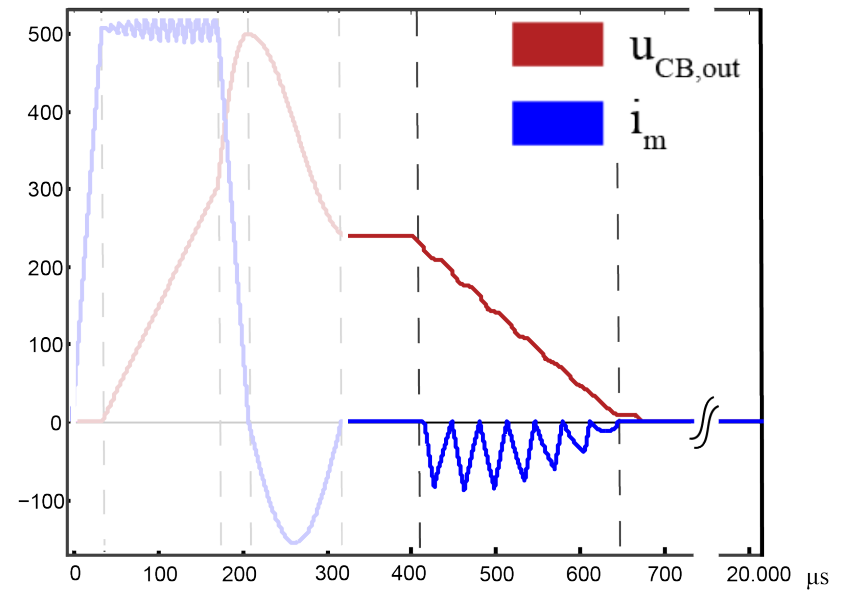
Operation Principle – After Main Pulse

- Interleaved boost operation:

- $f_{switch} = 20\text{kHz}$

- Final discharge of $C_{b,out}$

- Pulse pause



Ideal Interleaving

- Stored energy in inductances is kept constant

→ $L_{equal} = \text{const.}$

→ $L_{ph} \uparrow$ with # of interleaved stages N

$$L_{Ph} \sim NL_s$$

- Per phase equal L values $L_{Ph1} = L_{Ph2}$

- Current ripple:

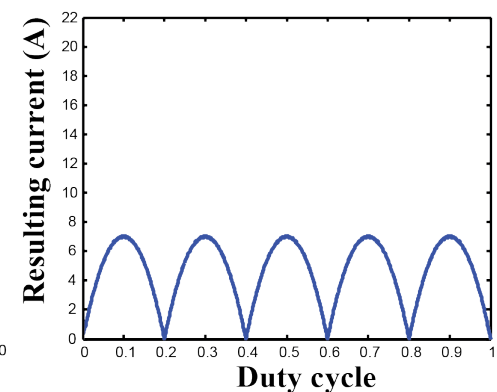
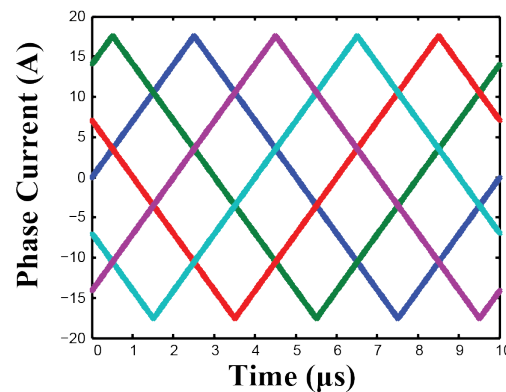
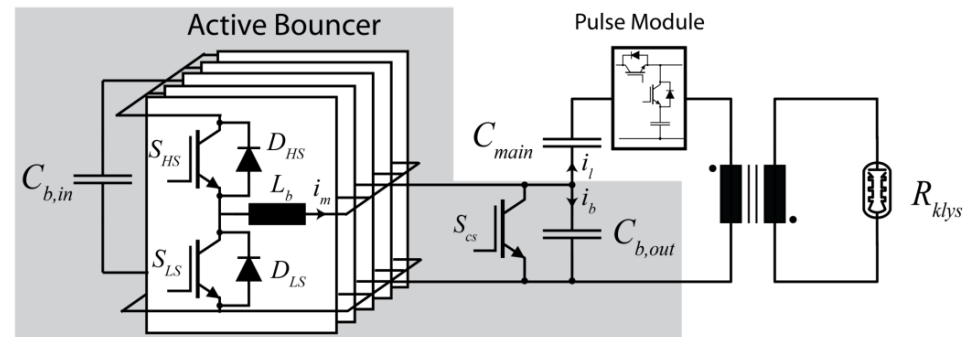
$$I_{Rip} \sim \frac{1}{N^2}$$

- Ripple frequency:

$$f_{Rip} \sim N$$

- Output voltage ripple:

$$V_{Rip} \sim \frac{1}{N^3}$$



Interleaving with Tolerances

- Analysis in time-domain for each switching period
- Component tolerances are considered
- Jitter of switches are considered

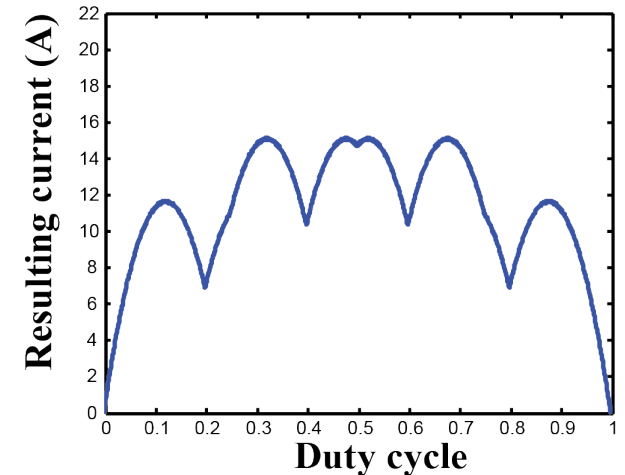
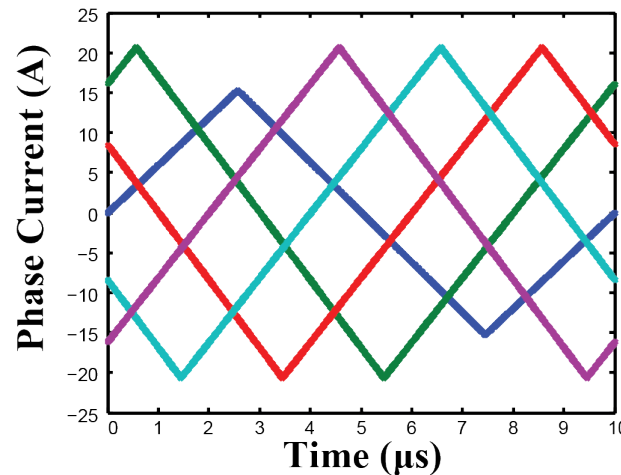
$$i_k(t) = \begin{cases} \frac{V_{b,in} (1-D)}{L_k} \cdot t - \frac{V_{b,in} D (1-D)}{2 L_k f_s} & \text{if } 0 < t < \frac{D}{f_s} + t_{jit} \\ \frac{V_{b,in} D (1-D)}{2 L_k f_s} - \frac{V_{b,in} D}{L_k} \cdot t & \text{if } \frac{D}{f_s} + t_{jit} < t < \frac{1}{f_s} \end{cases}$$

- Assumption: Inductance values measured at start-up
- Worst case:

$$L_1 = (1 + x\%)L$$

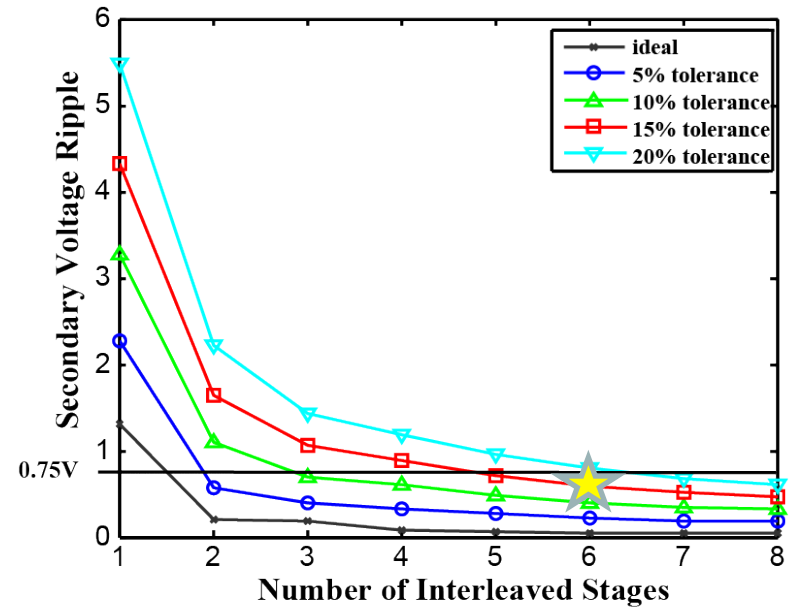
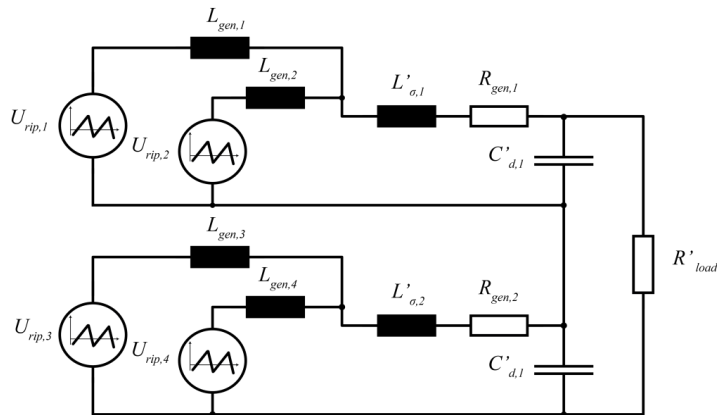
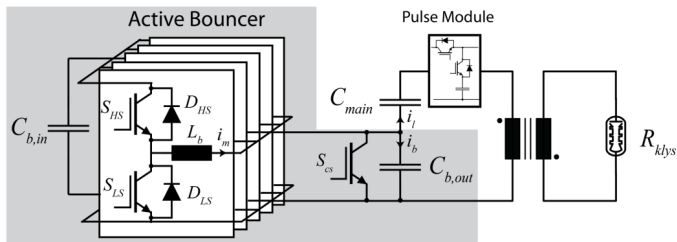
- All others:

$$L_1 = (1 - x\%)L$$

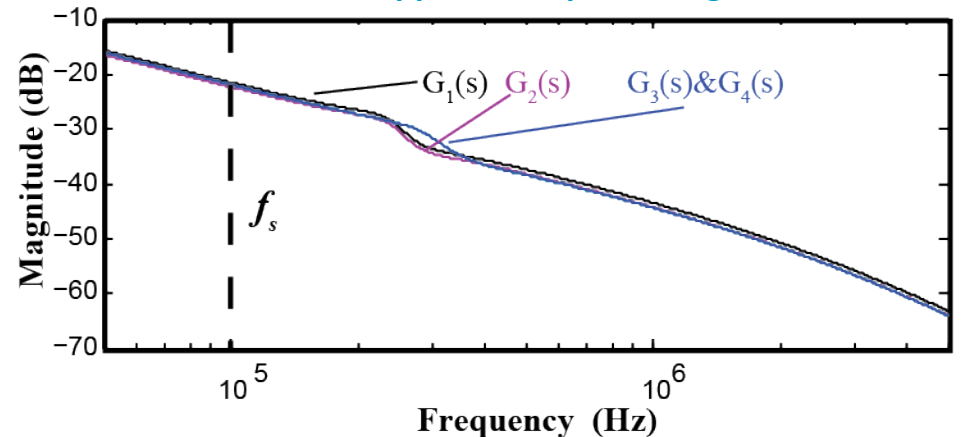


Interleaving with Tolerances – System Transfer Function

- Identification of system transfer function
 - Incl. freq. dependency of $R_{winding}$
 - Incl. tolerances in parasitics
- Tolerance: worst case
- Switching jitter: 5ns
- Most unfavourable configuration chosen
- Component tolerances of 15%
 - ➔ 6 interleaved modules

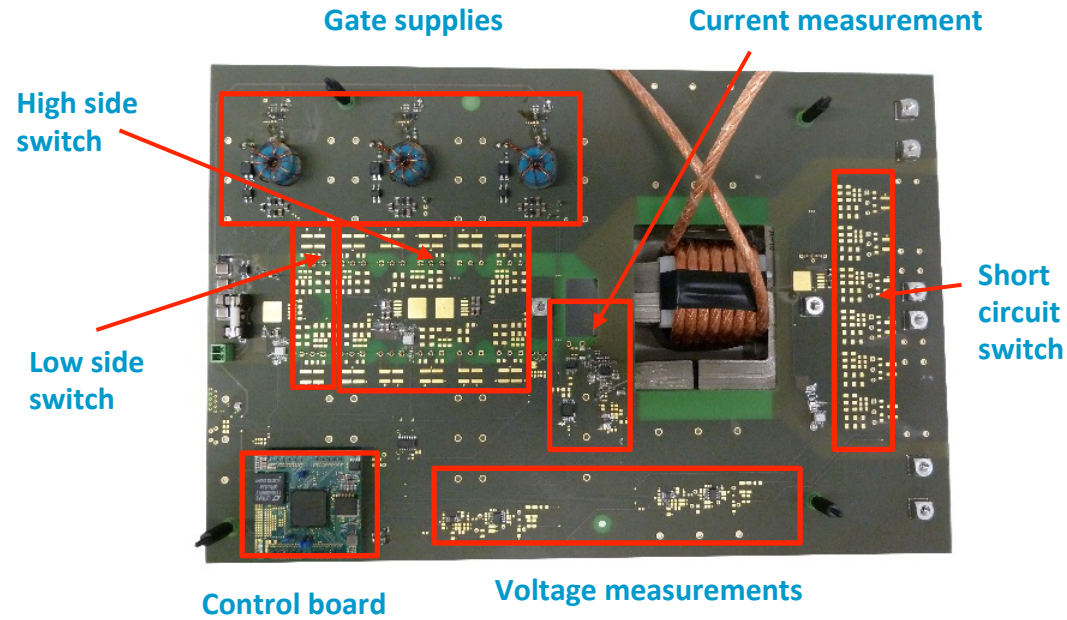
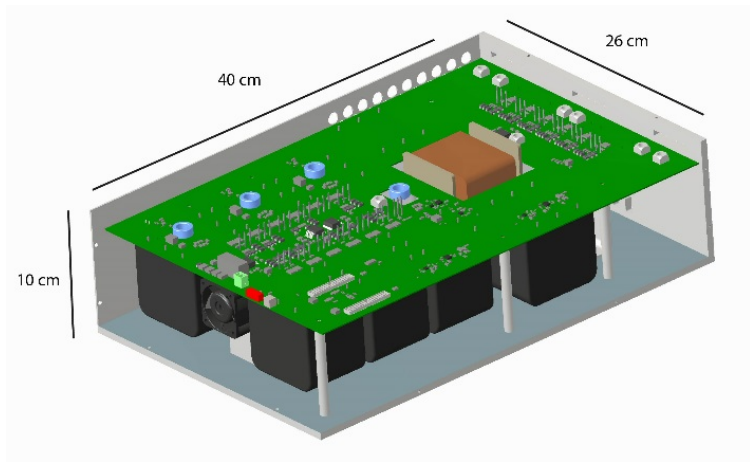
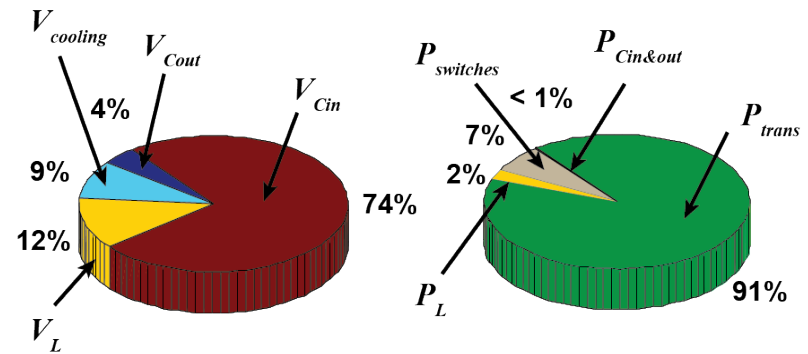


Current ripple to output voltage



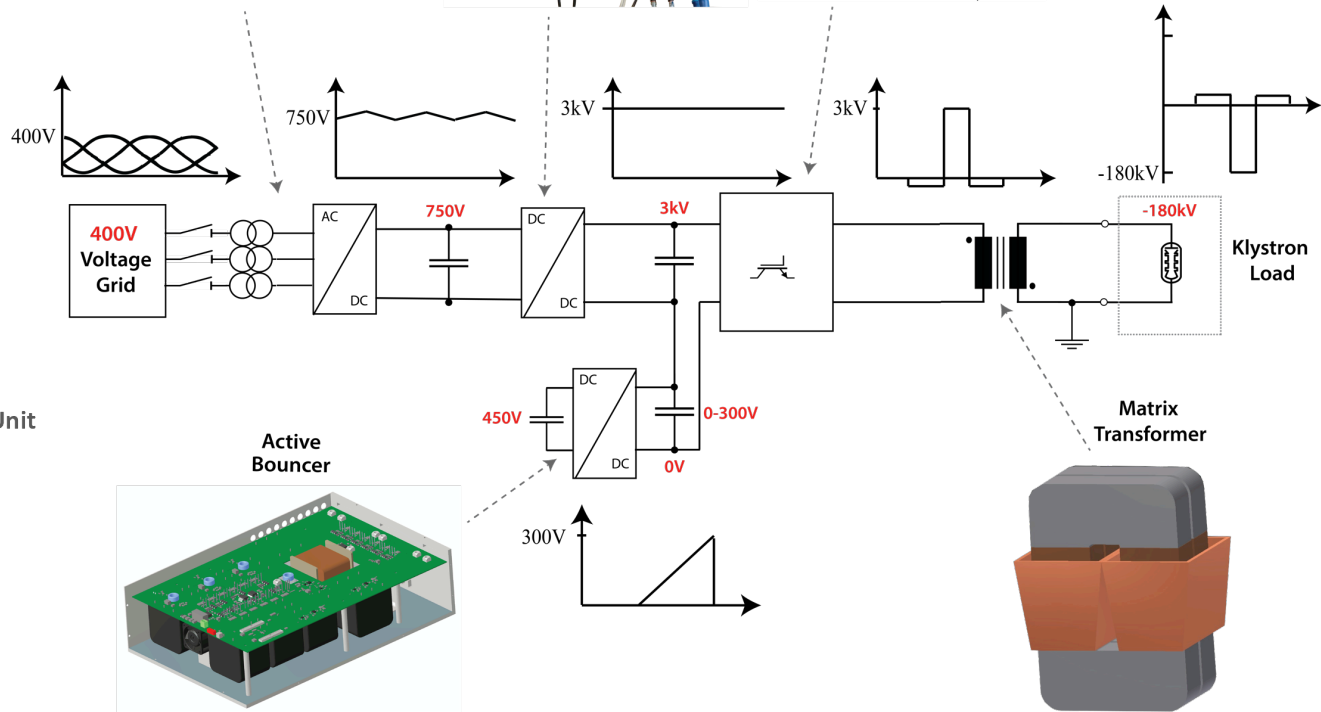
Active Bouncer Prototype

- Switching frequency **100kHz**
- Pulse current per module **700A**
- Bouncer efficiency **91%**
 → System efficiency ↓ **-0.45 %**
- Bouncer volume **10.4 dm³**
- Total losses **2307W**

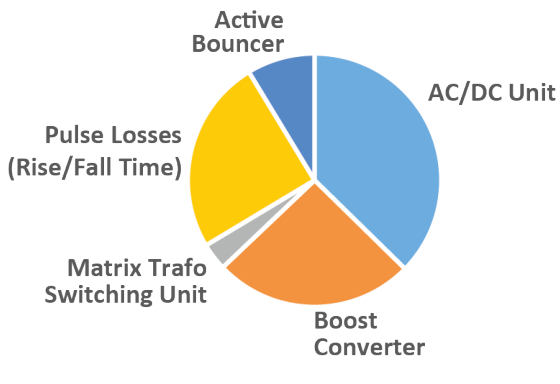


Modulator System - Efficiency

- Energy in klystron in case of arc < 10J (without cable)
- Efficiency $\approx 91\%$
- Final testing: 2015/2016



Loss Distribution



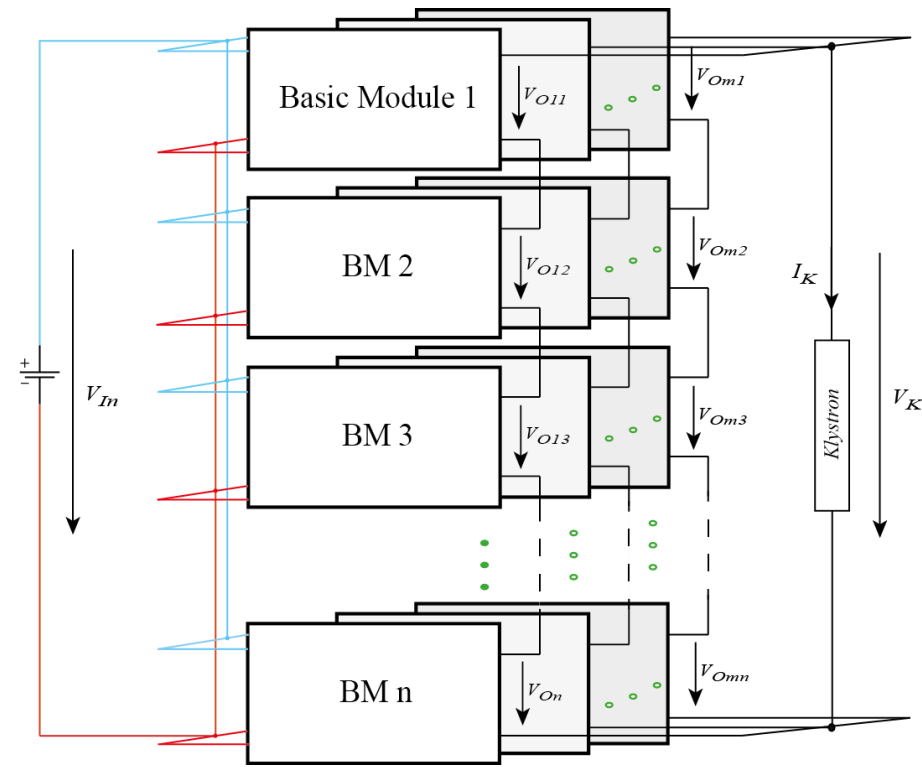
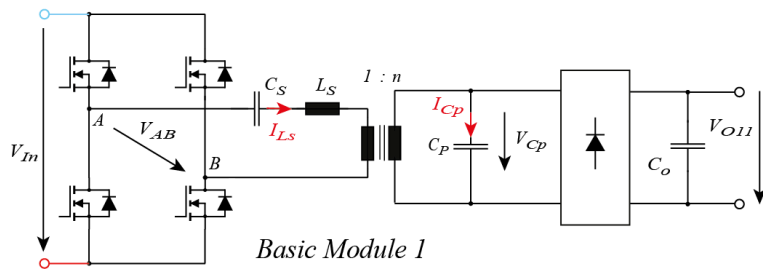
Long Pulse Modulator ($> 1\text{ms}$)

Resonant DC-DC Converters for Long Pulse Klystron Modulators

European Spallation Source (ESS) (Lund)

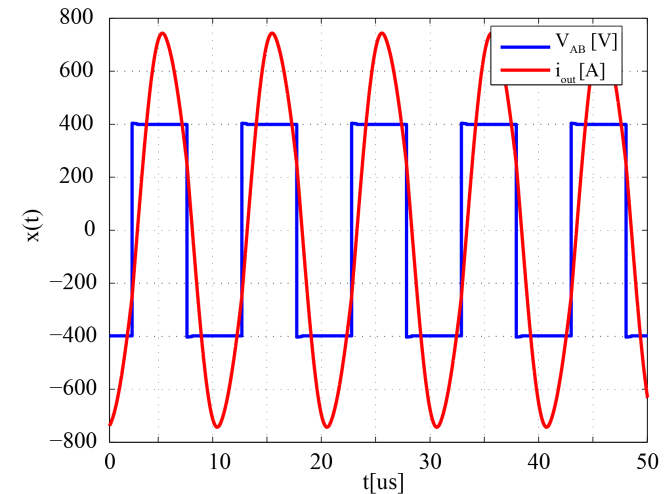
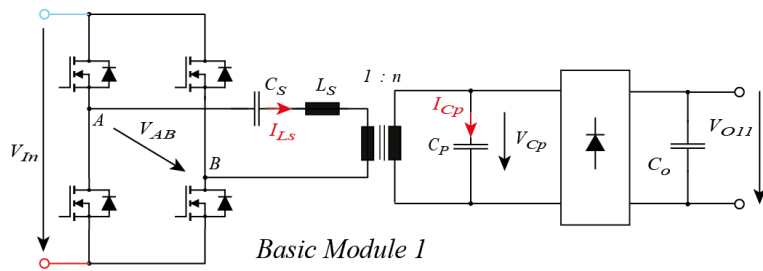
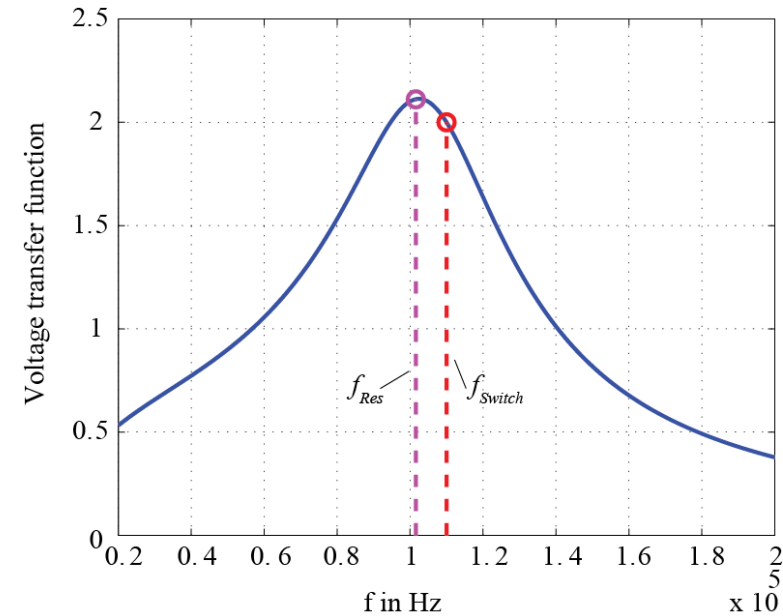
Solid State Long Pulse Modulator

- Pulse power **2.88MW**
- Average power **133kW**
- Efficiency **$\eta \geq 90\%$**
- Pulse width **$T_{PW} = 3.5\text{ms}$**
- Pulse voltage **$V_{out} = 115\text{kV}$**
- Pulse repetition rate **$P_{RR} = 14\text{Hz}$**
- Rise/fall time **$T_R / T_F \leq 150\mu\text{s}$**
- Short circuit energy **$E_{Arc} \leq 10\text{J}$**



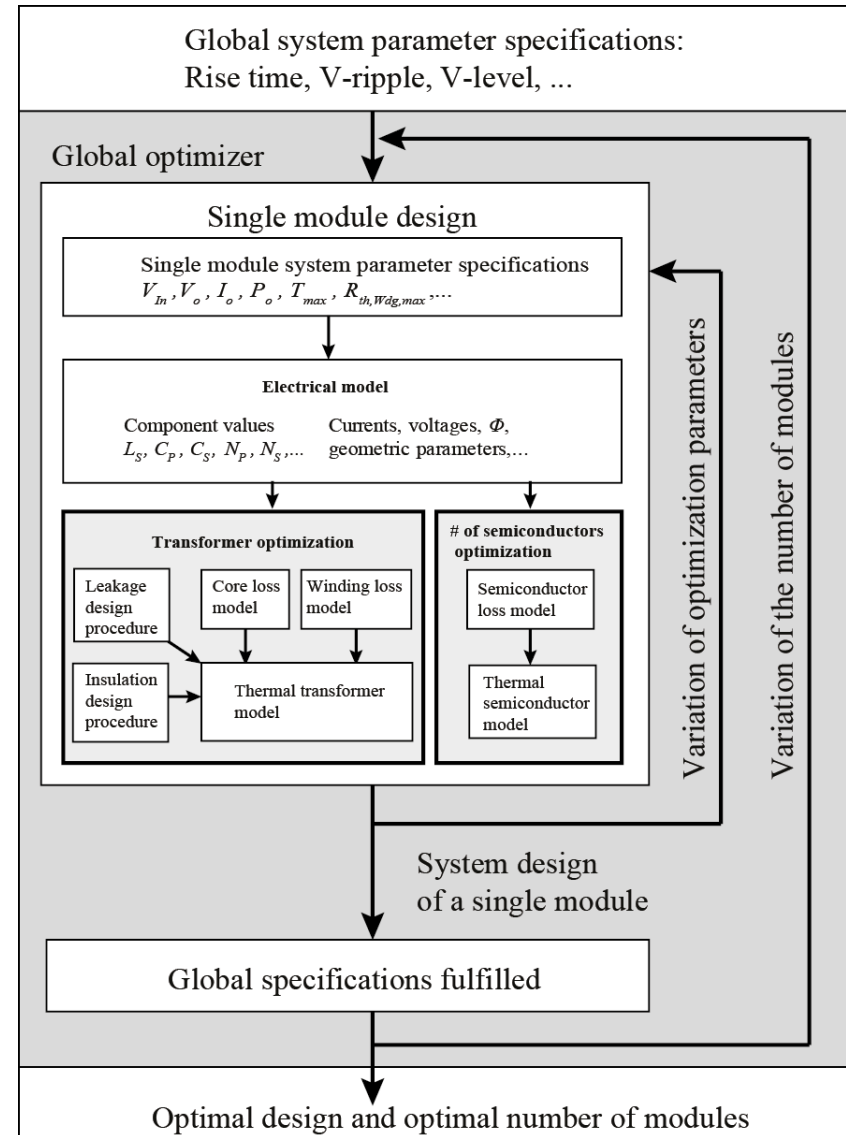
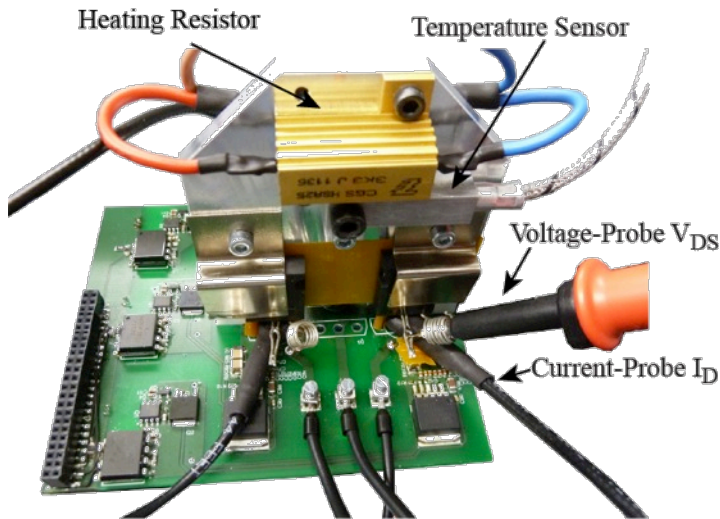
Solid State Long Pulse Modulator – Resonant Converter

- Switching frequency > resonance frequency
 - ➔ Soft switching for all MOSFETs (ZVS)
 - ➔ High efficiency
 - Inherent limitation of short circuit current
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- Switching frequency ~100kHz
 - Module input voltage 400V
 - Module output voltage 14.4kV
 - Module pulse power 180kW



Global Optimisation

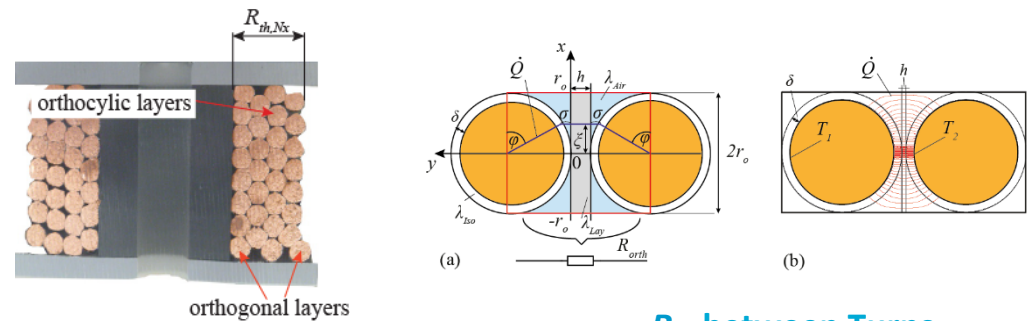
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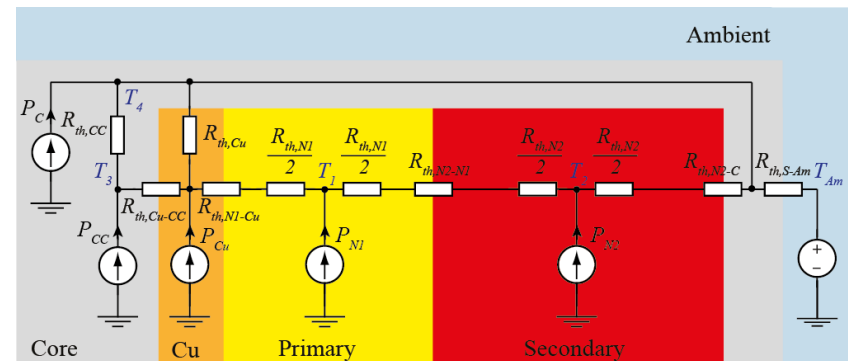
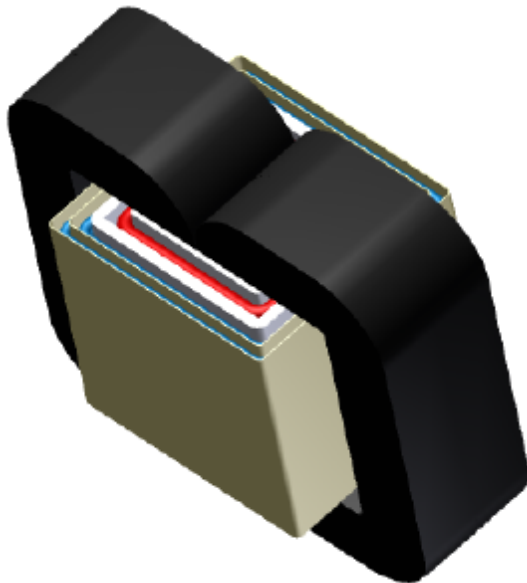
Thermal Transformer Model

- Thermal equivalent network
- Core/winding: Heat conduction
- Novel models for solid & litz wire

	Measured results					Calculated results	
	T_1 [°C]	T_2 [°C]	ΔT [°C]	\dot{Q} [W]	$R_{th,Nx}$ [°C/W]	$R_{th,Nx}$ [°C/W]	Error [%]
Round wire	115.1	69.5	45.6	22.1788	2.06	1.539	-25.3
Litz wire	105.7	53.1	52.6	20.98	2.51	2.04	-18.72

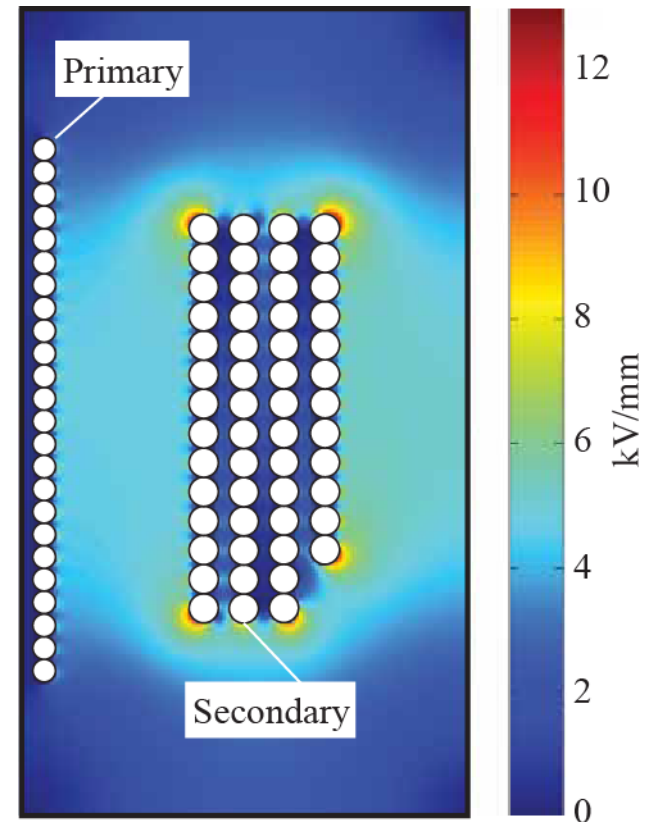
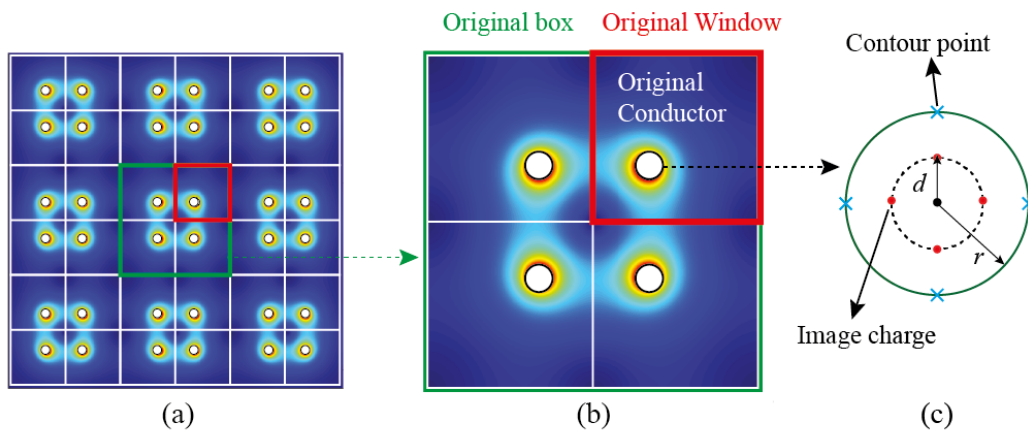


R_{th} between Turns

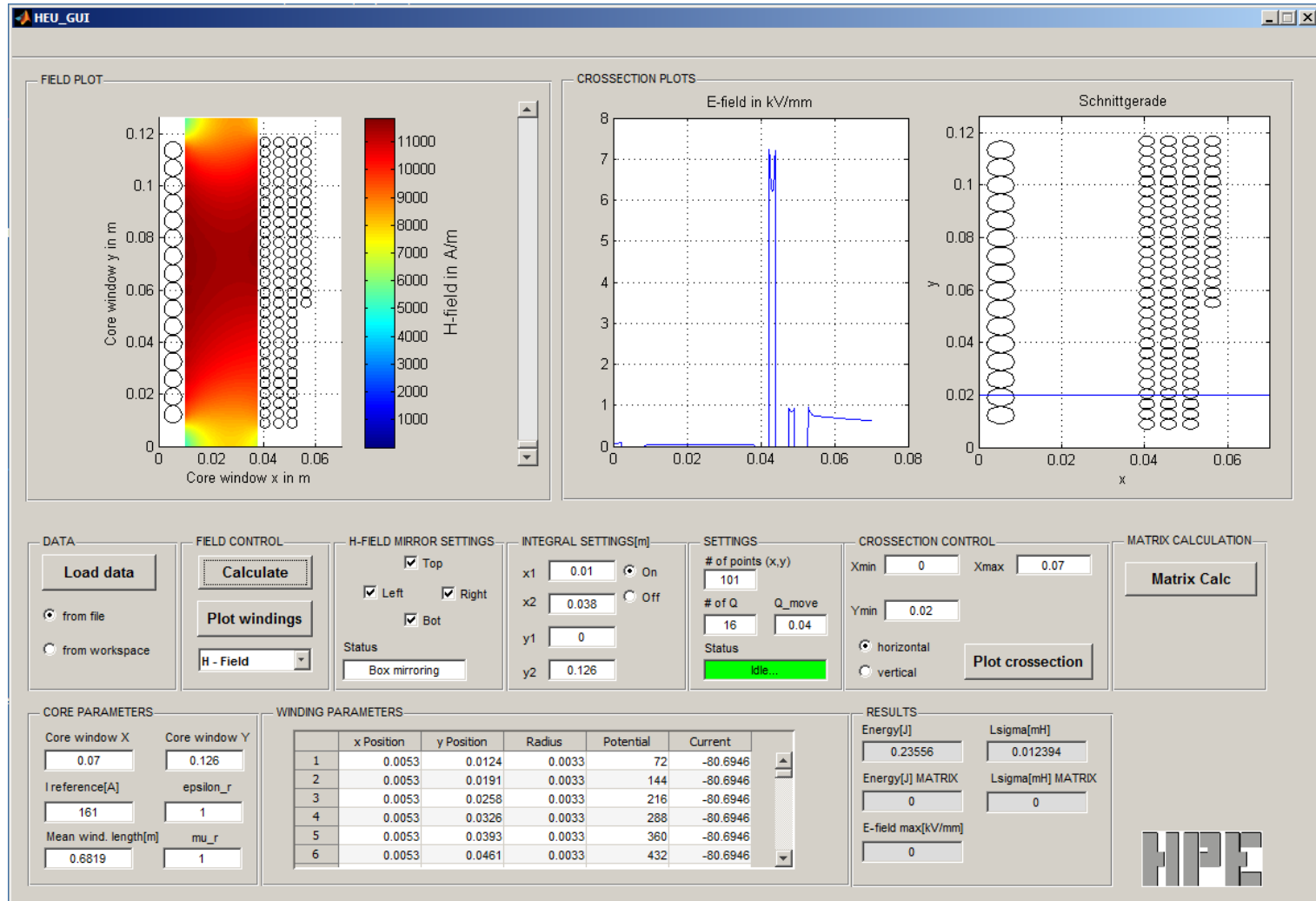


Insulation Design Procedure

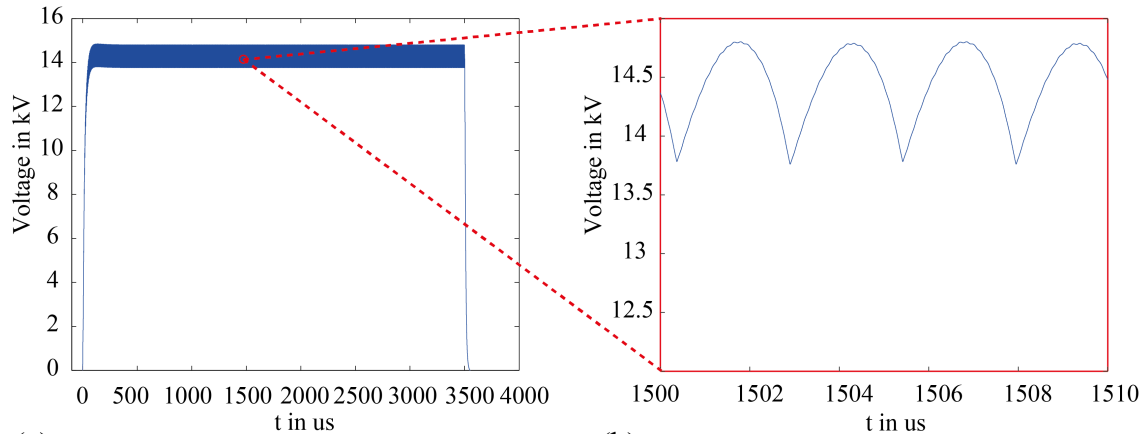
- E-field → Charge simulation method
- Turns → Line charge
- Modeling of arbitrary configurations
- Maximum E-field estimation



Transformer/Inductor Design Tool (E-/H-Field)

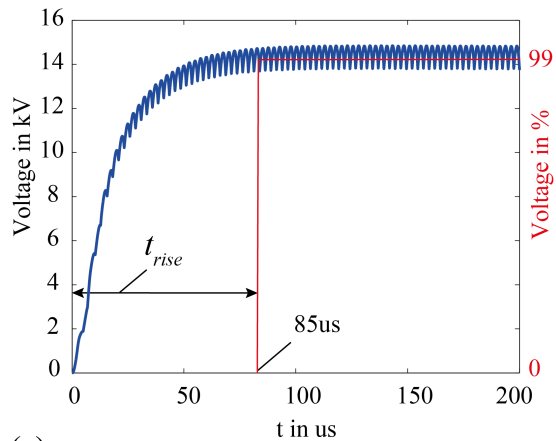


Simulation Results: Single Module

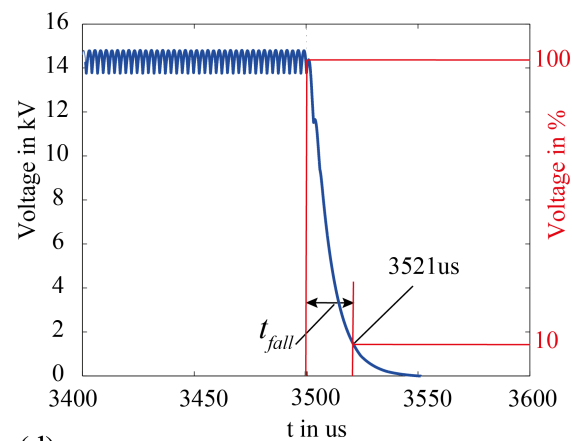


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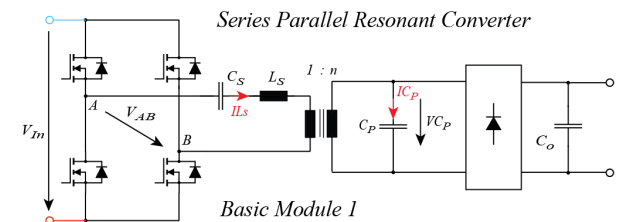
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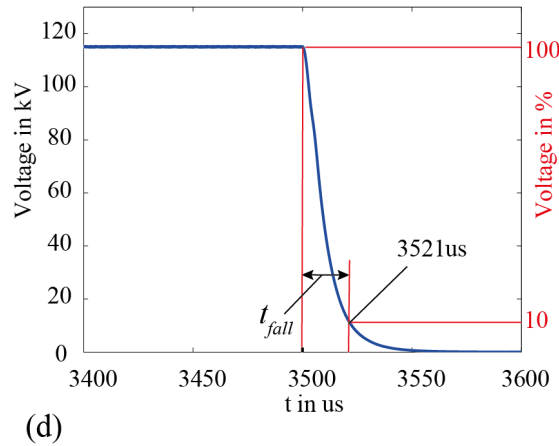
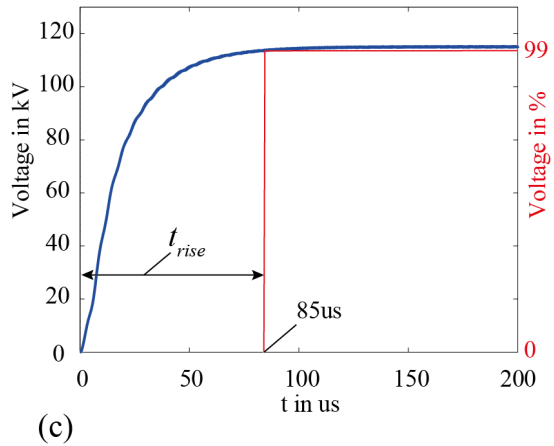
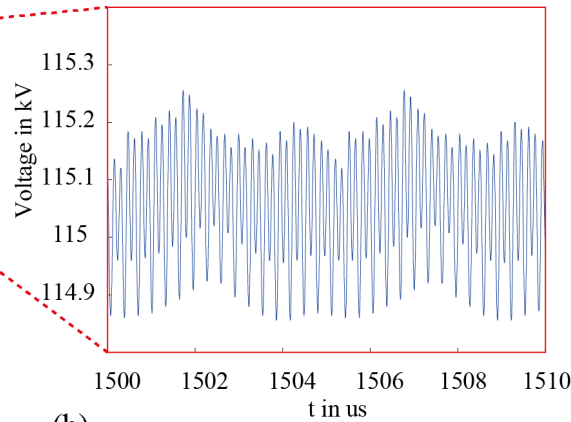
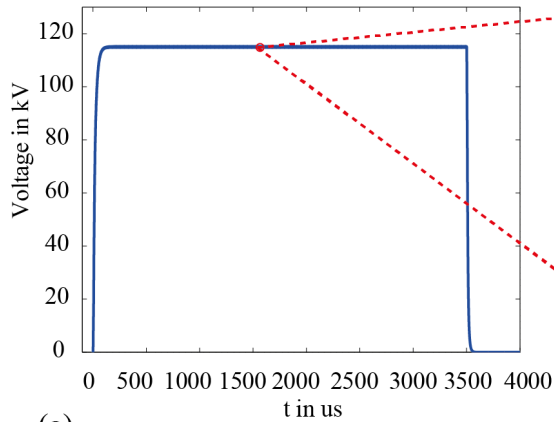
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Resonant circuit parameters

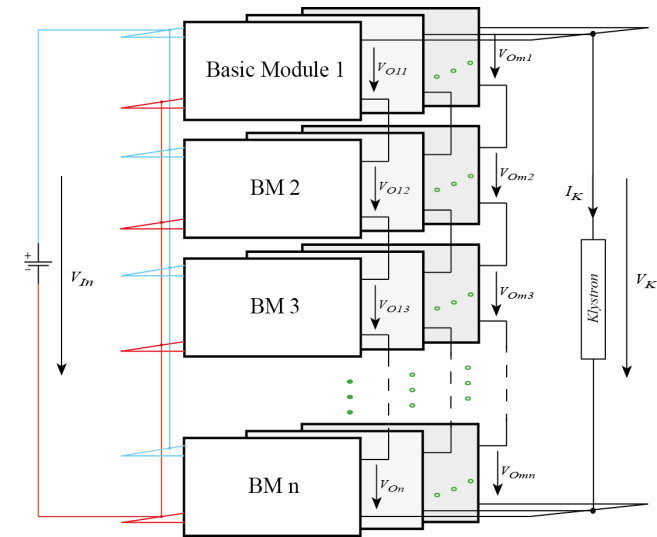
$V_{out} = 14.4\text{kV}$	$L_s = 5.1\mu\text{H}$
$I_{out} = 12.5\text{A}$	$C_s = 0.837\mu\text{F}$
$P_{out} = 180\text{W}$	$C_p = 2.58\text{nF}$
$f = 100\text{kHz}$	$n = 18$



Simulation Results: Complete System



Resonant circuit parameters	
$V_{out} = 115\text{kV}$	$P_{out} = 2.88\text{MW}$
$I_{out} = 25\text{A}$	$f = 100\text{kHz}$



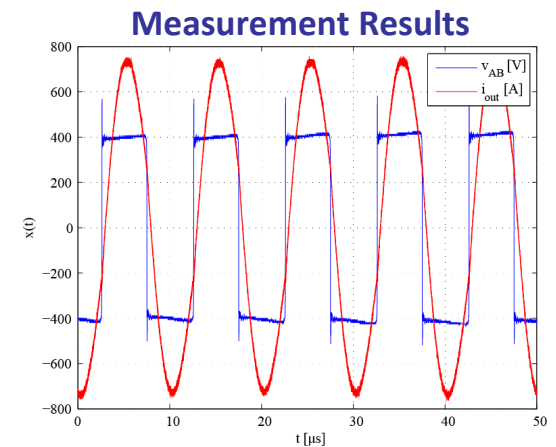
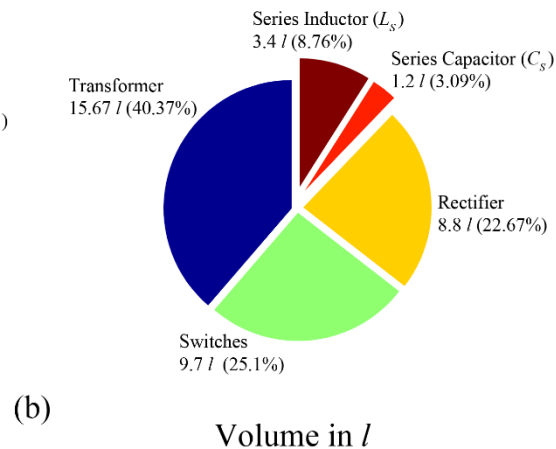
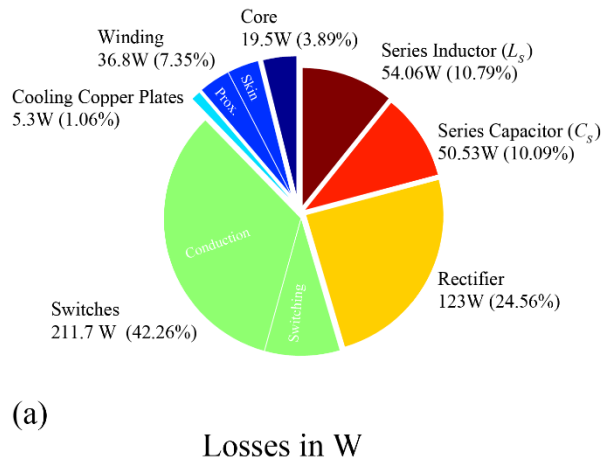
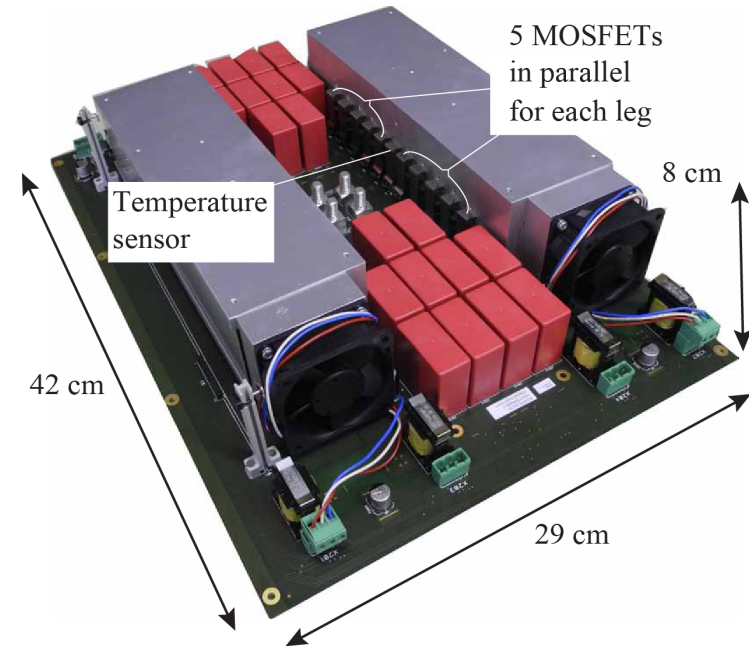
Prototype System

Specifications

- $V_{Out} = 14.4 \text{ kV}$
- $I_{Out} = 12.5 \text{ A}$
- $P_{Out} = 180 \text{ kW}$

Constraints

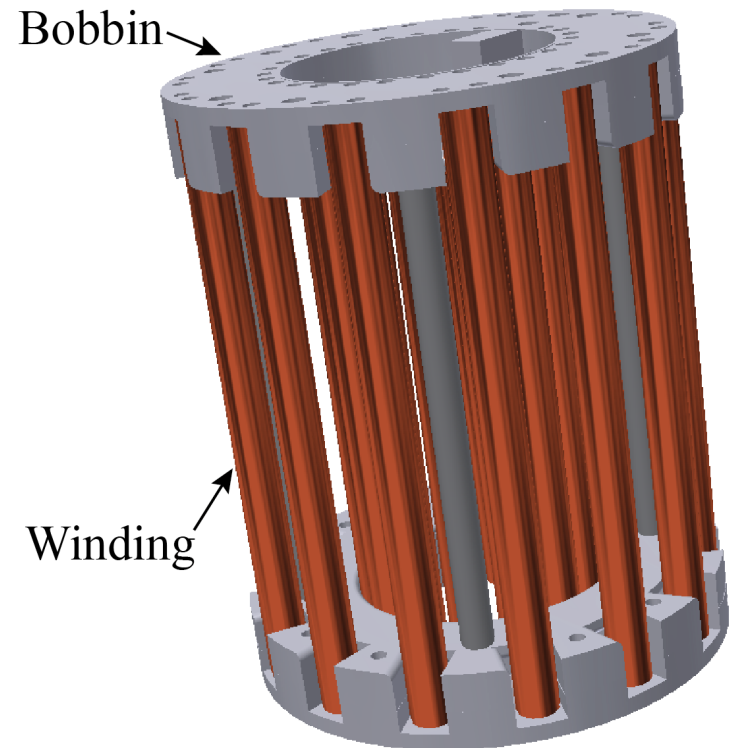
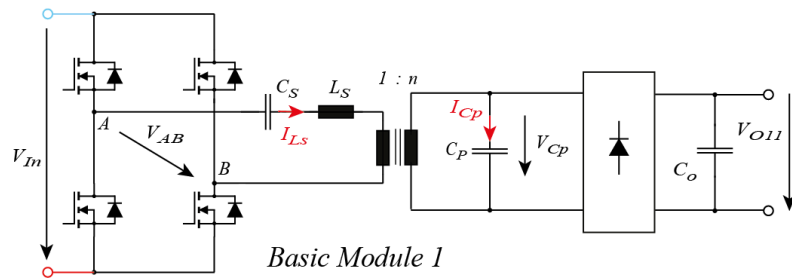
- Flux density $\leq 150 \text{ mT}$
- Core/Wdg. temperature $< 120^\circ \text{C}$
- Max. electrical field $< 15 \text{ kV/mm}$
- Leakage inductance $= 5.1 \mu\text{H}$



Series Resonant Inductor

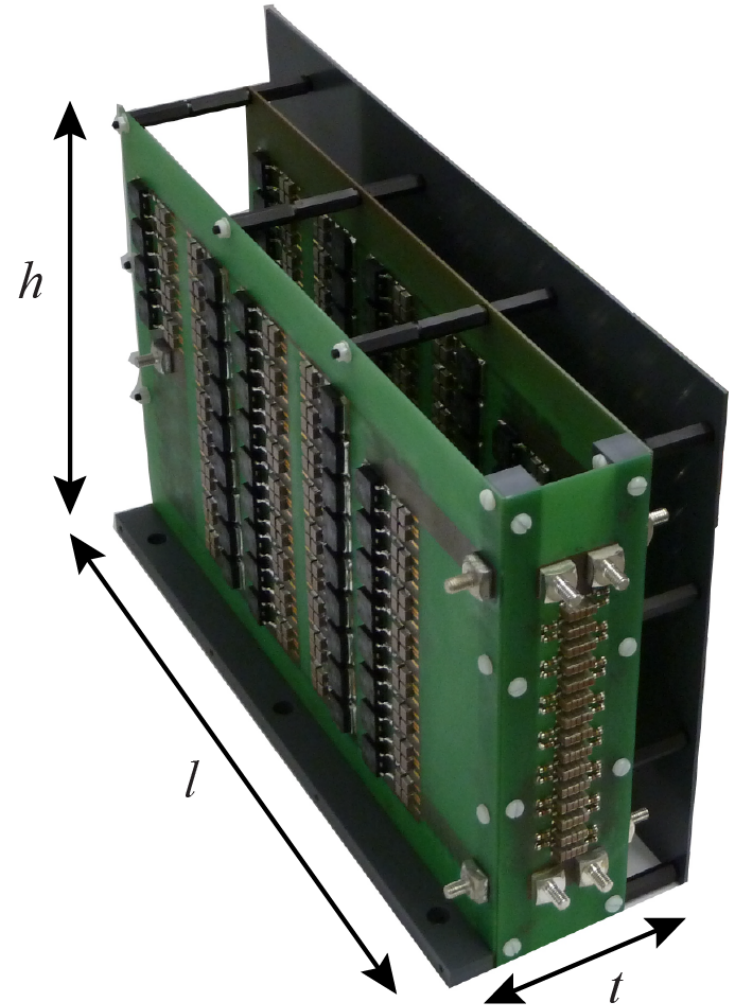
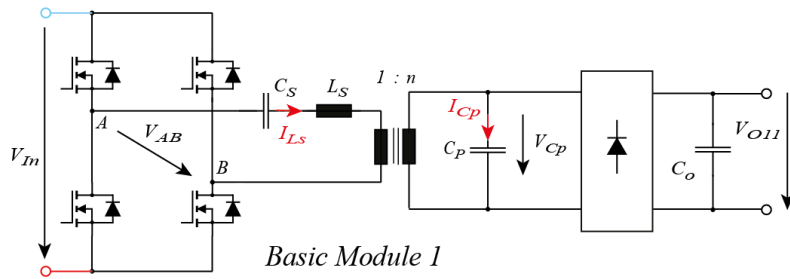
Toroidal Air Inductor

- Winding $N = 12$
- Litz wire $8 \times 2000 \times 0.05$
- Losses 54.06 W
- Dimensions $d_a = 152 \text{ mm}$
 $h = 180 \text{ mm}$
- Volume 3.3 liter

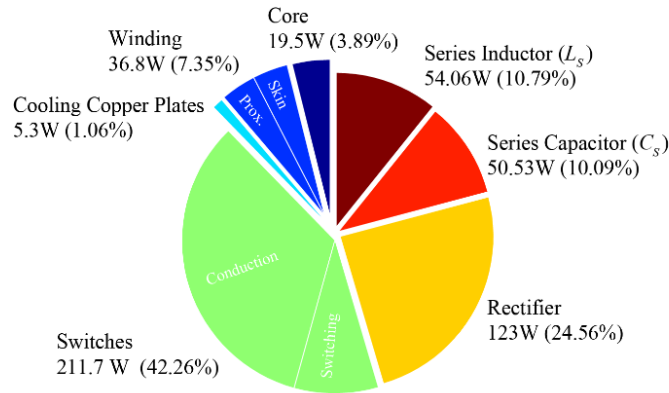


Results: Rectifier and Parallel Capacitor

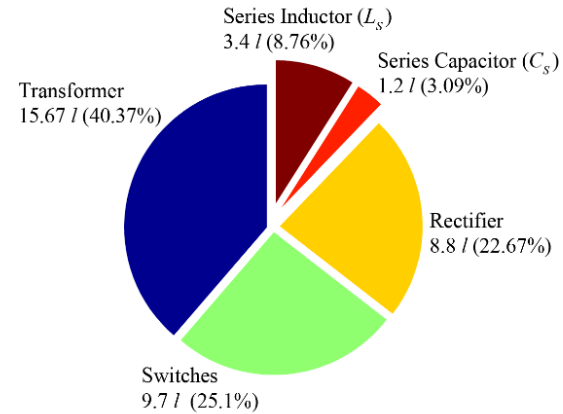
- # of diodes **156**
- Diode type **APT40DQ120SG (D3PAK)**
- # of capacitors **624**
- Capacitor type **100nF NPO SMD 2220**
- Total losses **123 W**
- Dimensions
 - $l = 375$ mm
 - $t = 100$ mm
 - $h = 235$ mm
- Volume **8.8 liter**
- PCB test **20kV_{DC}**



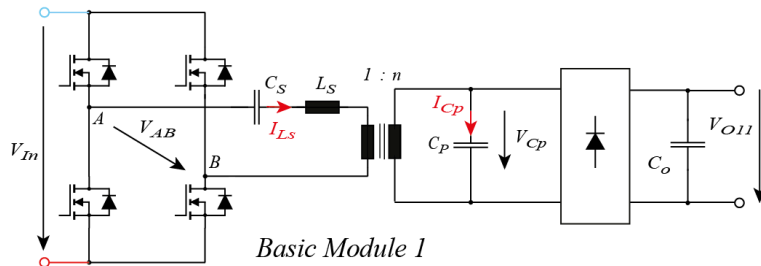
Performance DC-DC Converter



(a) Losses in W



(b) Volume in l



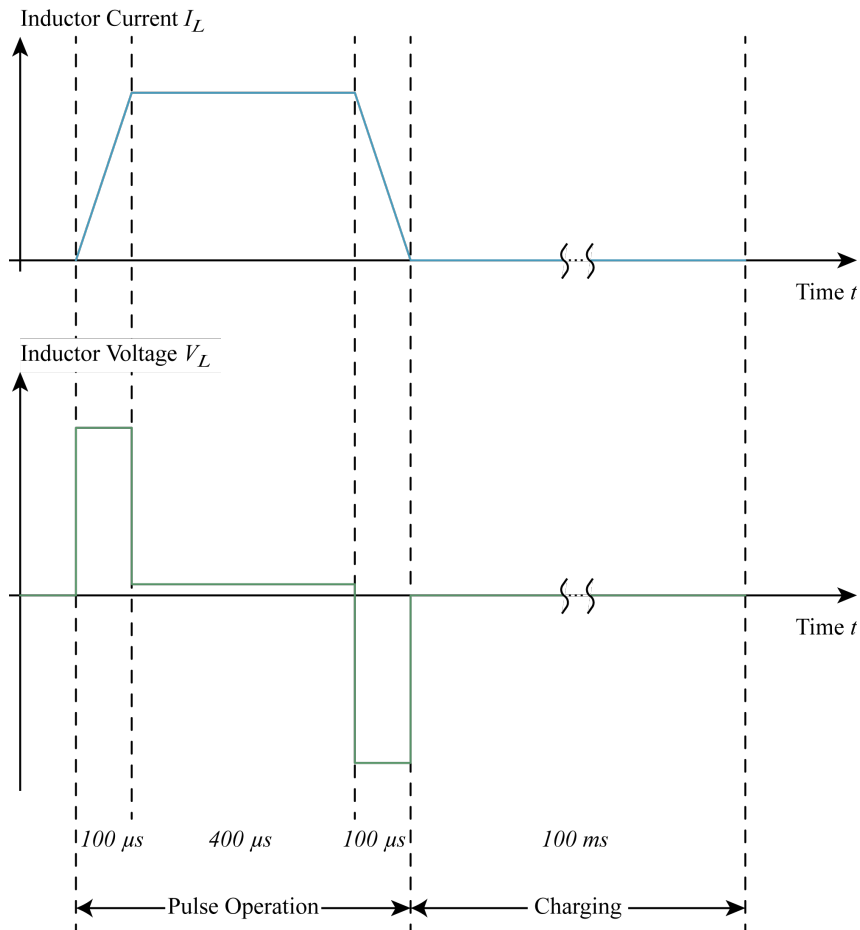
Performance of a single module

Volume	Pulsed power density	Efficiency
38.77 l	4.84 kW/l	94.9 %
t_{rise}	t_{fall}	
85 μs	21 μs	
Overall system		
t_{rise}	t_{fall}	Short circuit energy
85 μs	21 μs	3.7 J
# of SPRC-modules in parallel and series		2 x 8

Solid State Bipolar Pulsed Voltage Source for Kicker Magnets

Specifications

- Low ripple
- High reproducibility



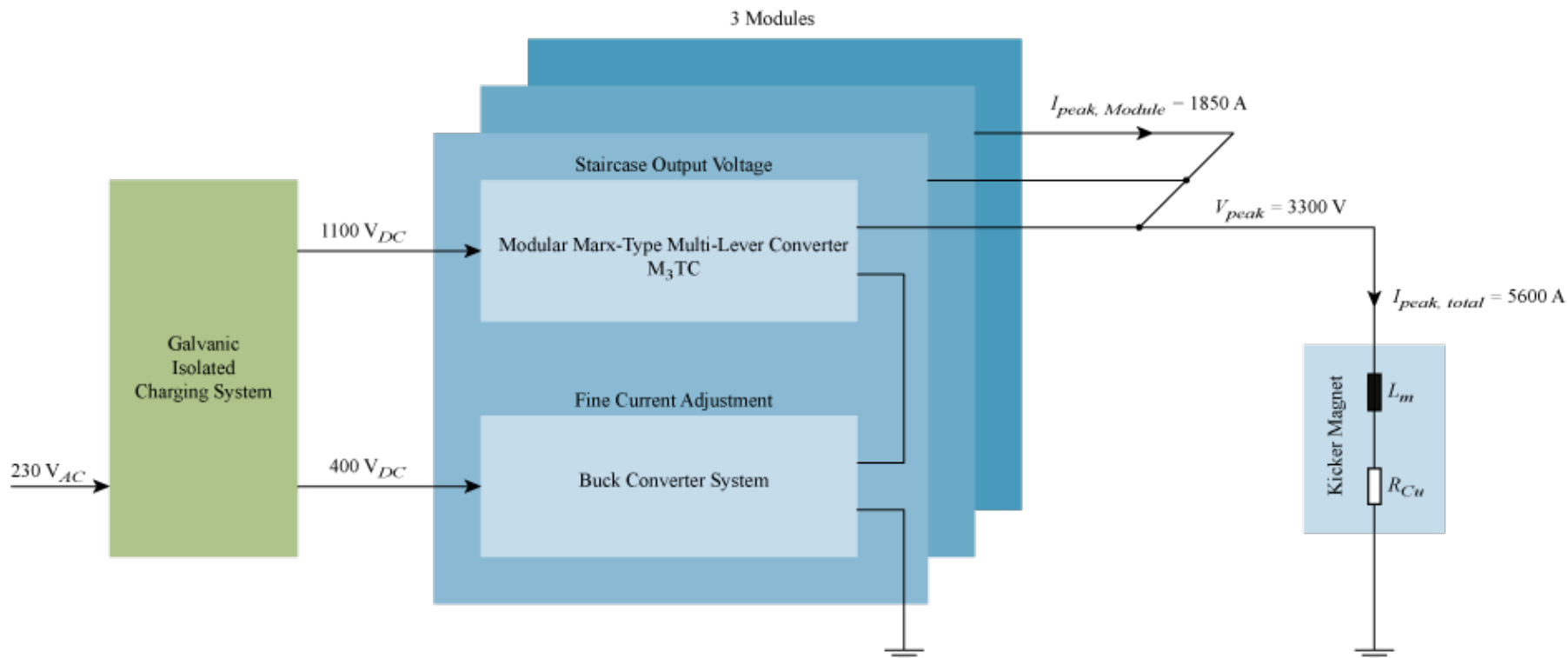
Max. Current	5600	A
Inductance	38	μH
Pulse Duration	600	μs
Rise / Fall Time	100	μs
Charge Duration	100	ms

Max. Current Gradient	56	$\text{A} / \mu\text{s}$
Min. Voltage V_L	2128	V

Inductor Pulse Energy E_L	595	J
Resistor Pulse Losses E_R	15.5	J

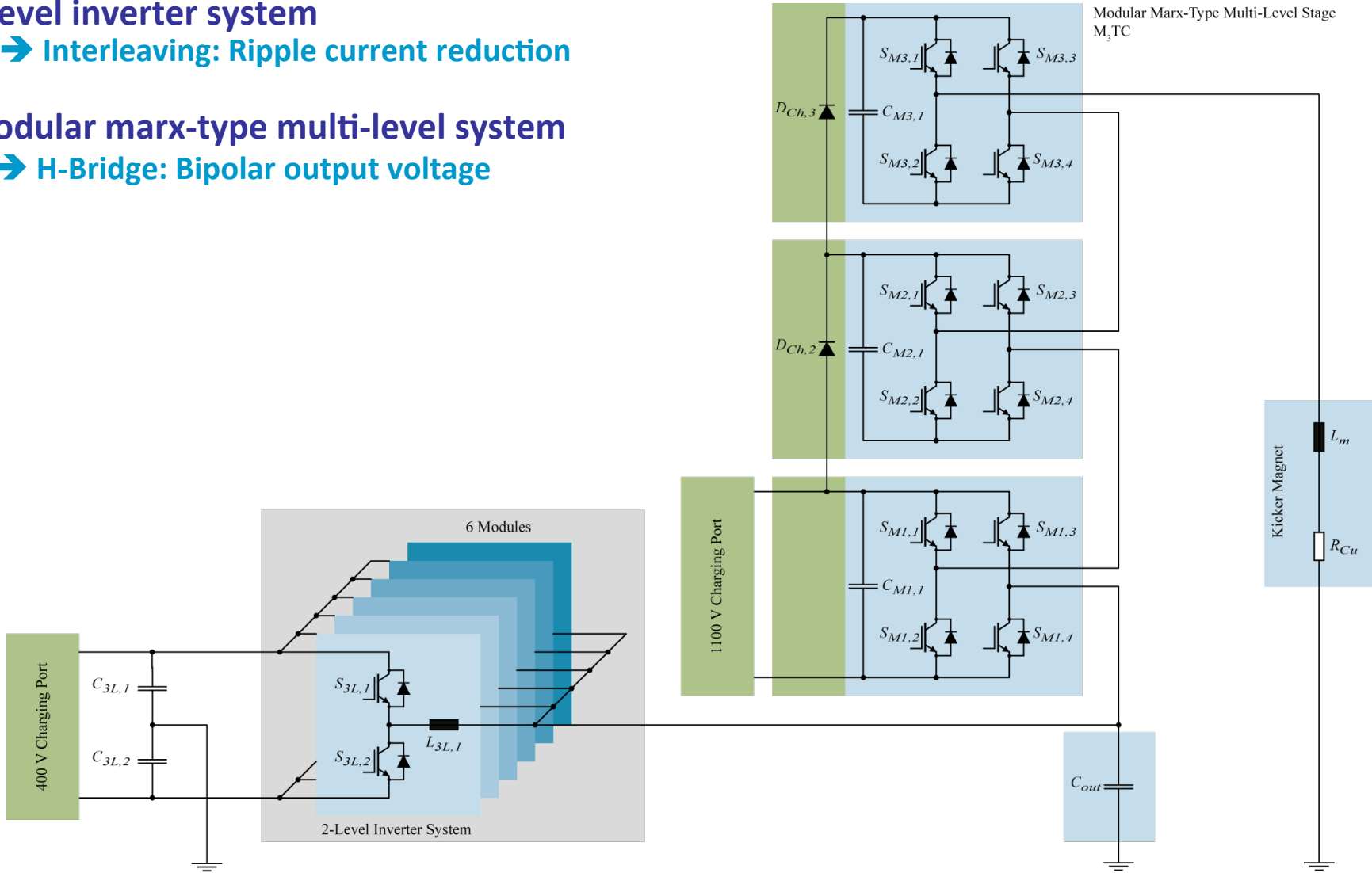
Bipolar Pulsed Voltage Source (BiPuVoSo)

- 2 level inverter system
 - ➔ Fine current adjustment
 - ➔ Loss compensation
- Modular marx-type multi-level system
 - ➔ Coarse current adjustment



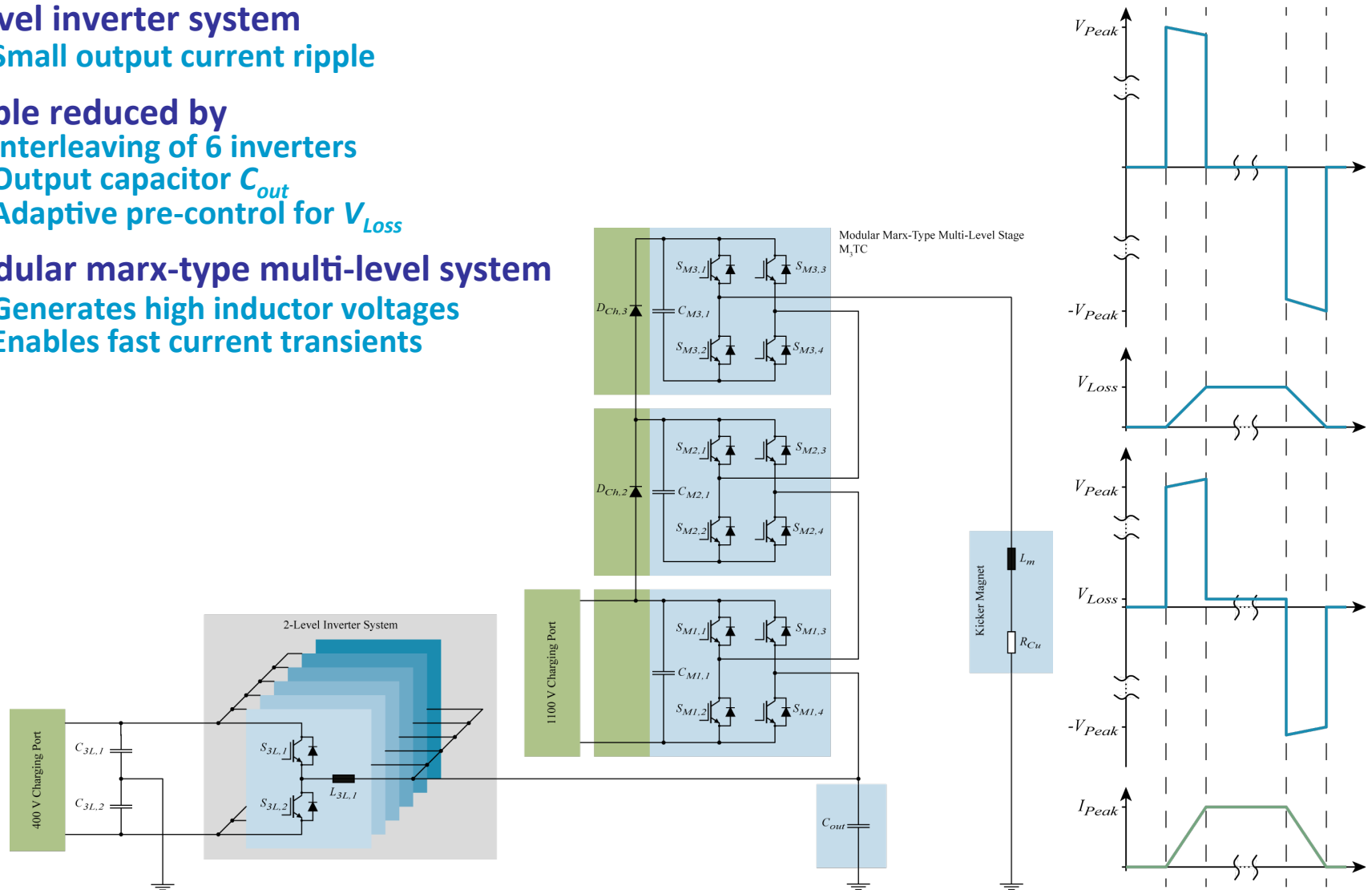
A BiPuVoSo Module in Detail

- 2 level inverter system
 - ➔ Interleaving: Ripple current reduction
- Modular marx-type multi-level system
 - ➔ H-Bridge: Bipolar output voltage



Principle of Operation

- **2 level inverter system**
 - Small output current ripple
- **Ripple reduced by**
 - Interleaving of 6 inverters
 - Output capacitor C_{out}
 - Adaptive pre-control for V_{Loss}
- **Modular marx-type multi-level system**
 - Generates high inductor voltages
 - Enables fast current transients



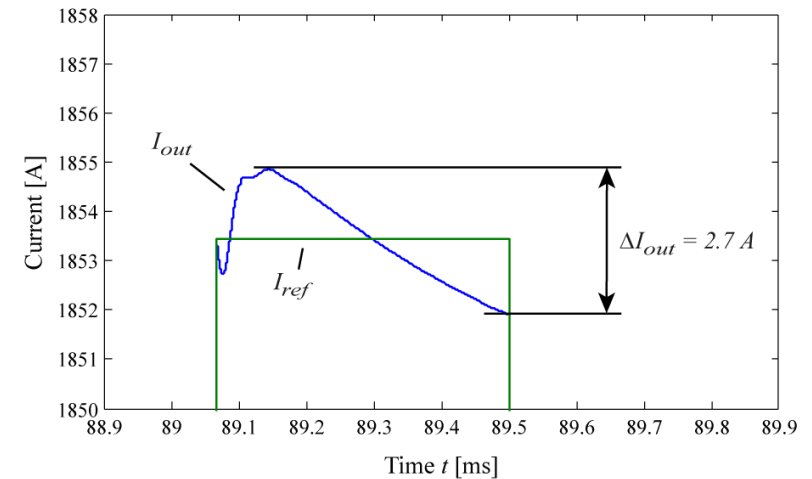
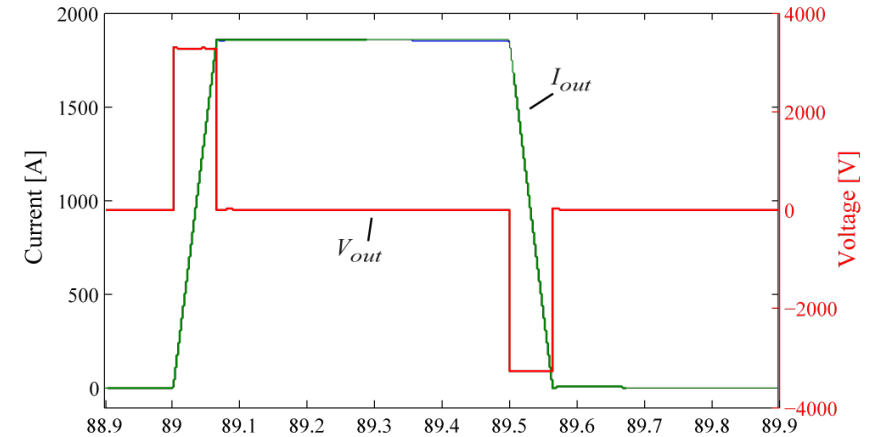
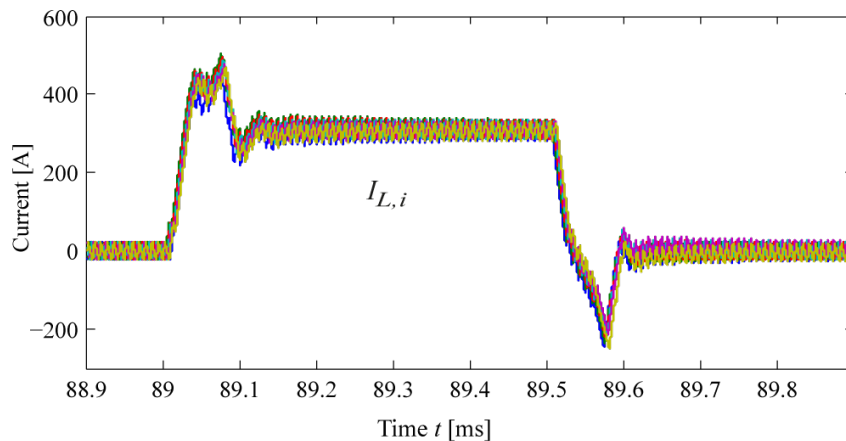
Simulation Results

- **Simulation of current pulse**

- Flat top current deviation of 2.7A (0.15%)
- Repetition accuracy of 0.19 A ($1.025 \cdot 10^{-4}$)
 - Only controller deviations
 - No jitter effects respected
 - No measurement errors considered

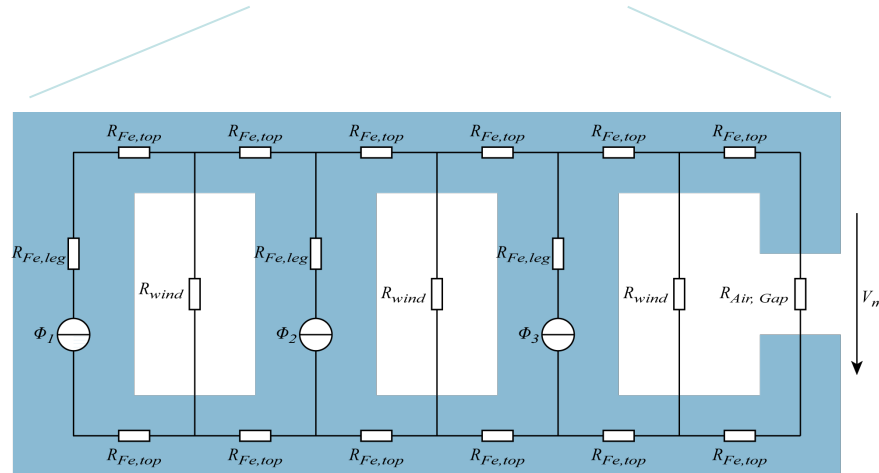
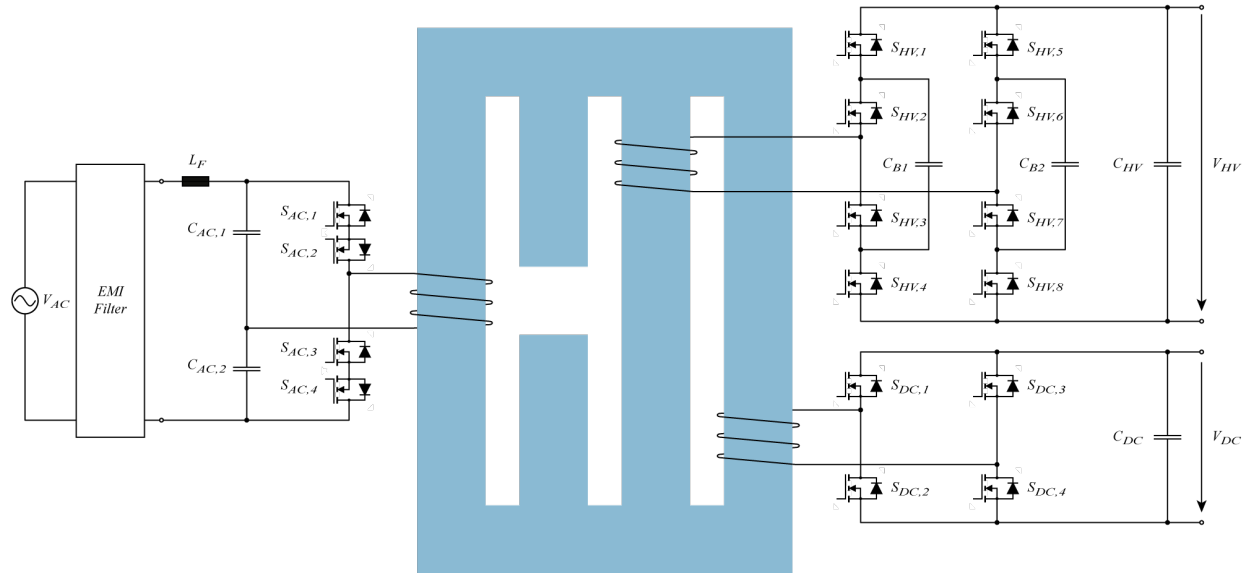
- **Interleaved buck converter**

➔ **Balanced currents**



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- Galvanic isolation
- AC input
- Multi DC output
- Benefits
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Current Source for Kicker Magnet

- 3.8kA pulse current
- 400 μ s pulse
- 38 μ H inductance

