

TSTE25 Power Electronics

Lecture 1

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Outline

- Course introduction
- Power electronic systems from nW to GW [Ch 1]
- Diode device characteristics
 - Semiconductor theory
 - Data sheet info
- Rectifiers
 - Single phase
 - Current commutation

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Course Contents

- Course web page on ISY Server, Lisam course room
- 7 Lectures
 - Introduce and explain material
- 6+2 Tutorials
 - Problem solving
 - MATLAB/Simulink and Arduino Due tutorials
- 3 labs (Signup required)
 - Lab 1: DC/DC Buck & Boost conv in Simulink
 - Lab 2: AC/DC conv & MOSFET drive in Simulink and power circuit PCB
 - Lab 3: AC/DC conv harmonics & control on power circuit PCB
- Written exam

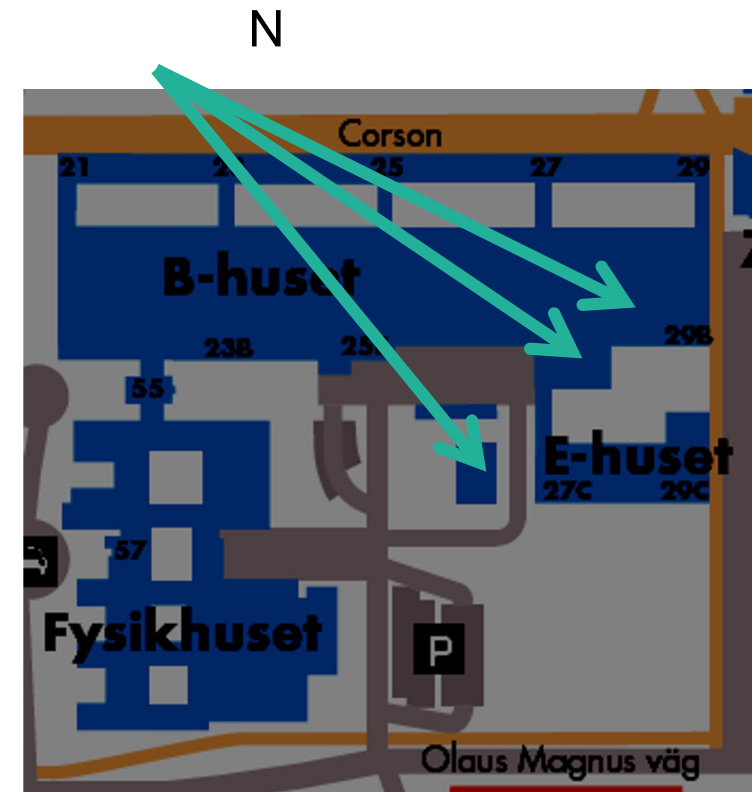
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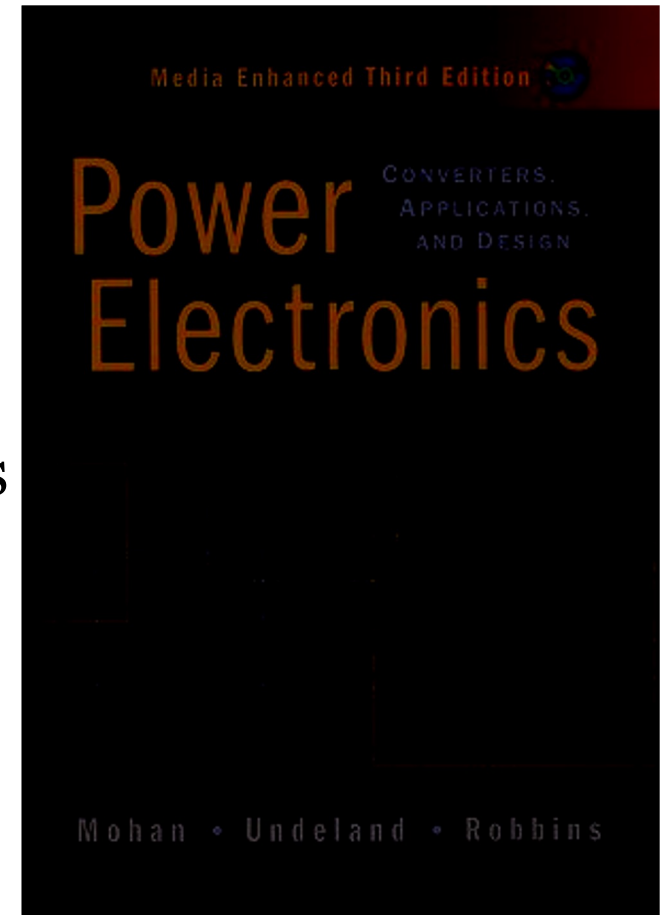
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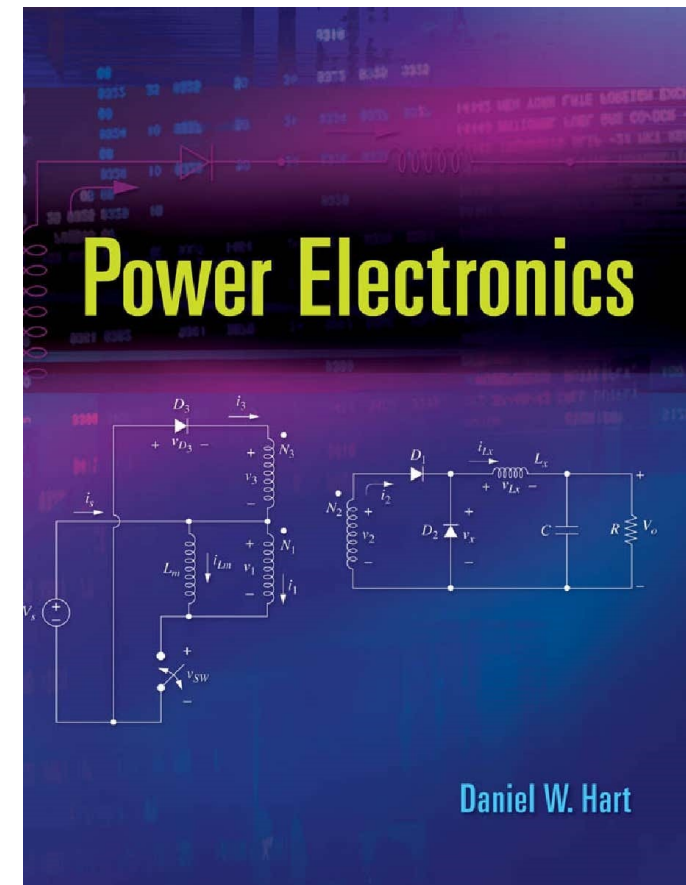
Literature

- Power Electronics:
Converters, Applications, and Design,
3rd Edition
- N. Mohan, T. M. Undeland, W. P. Robbins
- ISBN: 978-0-471-22693-2
- Wiley & sons., Inc. 2003
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corresponding Swedish term in {}



Additional literature

- Power Electronics
- Daniel W. Hart
- ISBN 978-0-07-338067-4
- McGraw-Hill
- Available as pdf at Academia.edu after personal registration at Academia
- No reference from the course is given



Course plan, part 1

	Date	Content	Course book
Lecture 1	28/8	Introduction, Diode rectifiers	Ch 1, 2.1-2.2, (20), 5.1-5.3
Tutorial 1	29/8	Circuit theory, diode rectifier	Ch 3.2
Lecture 2	31/8	DC/DC converters	Ch 7.1-7.4
Tutorial 2	11/9	Simulink introduction, DC/DC Buck & Boost converters	
Lecture 3	15/9	DC/AC inverter, PWM, half/full-bridge inverter	Ch 8.1-8.3
Lab 1	12-13/9	Buck & Boost DC/DC converter	
Tutorial 3	19/9	DC/AC inverter	
Lecture 4	18/9	Power transistors, MOSFET switching, thermal management	Ch 2.4, 22, 29

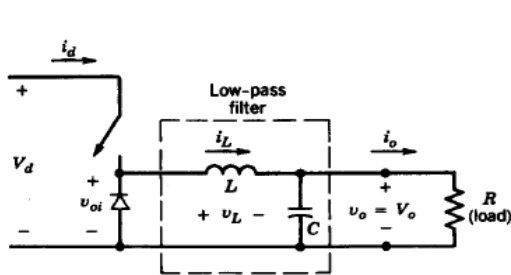
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Course plan, part 2

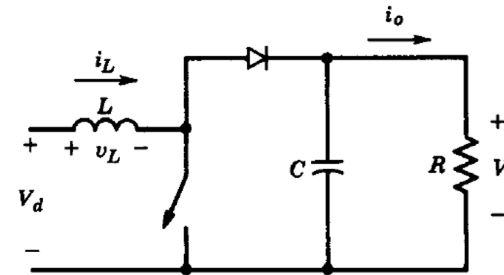
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Tutorial 4	1/9	MOSFET switching, thermal calculations, Simulink introduction for Lab 2	
Lab 2	13-14/9	DC/AC PWM, MOSFET gate control	
Lecture 5	15/9	DC/AC inverter 2, Harmonics	Ch 8.4, 8.5, 8.7
Tutorial 5	16/10	Harmonics	
Lecture 6	19/9	Converter control, Isolated DC/DC converters	Ch 28, 8.6, 27
Lab 3	20-21/9	DC/AC-converter operation and analysis	
Tutorial 6	26/9	Project introduction, Converter control	
Tutorial 7	27-28/9	Exercises	
Tutorial 8	4-5/10	Exercises	
Lecture 7	10/10	Thyristor converters, HVDC technology	Ch 2.3, 10.4, 17
Exam		Written exam	

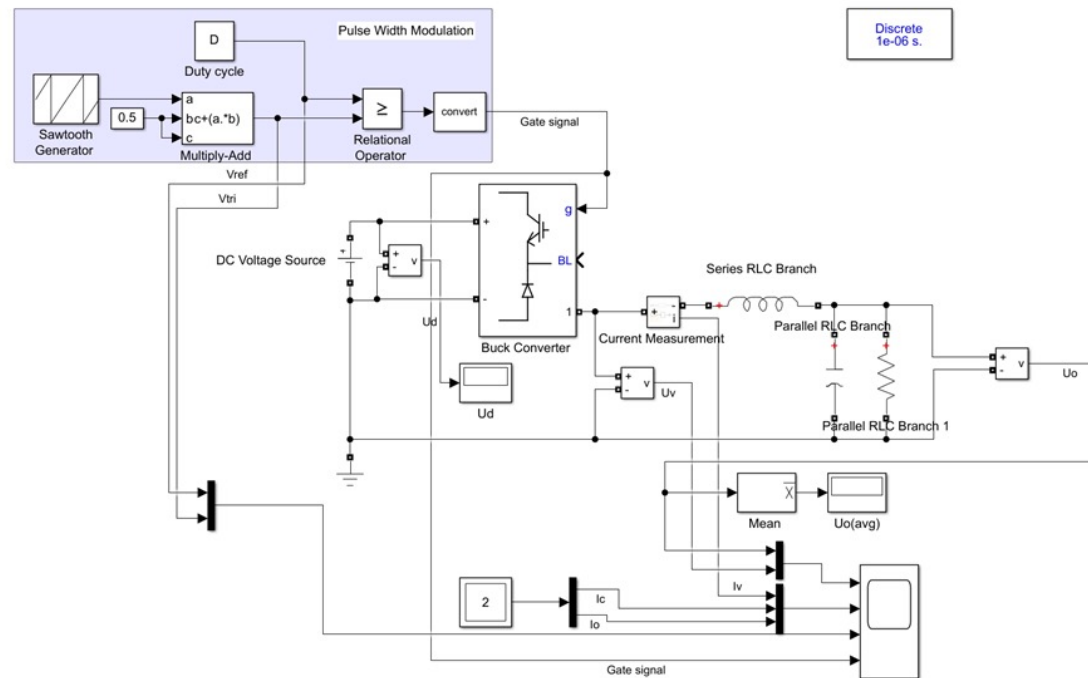
Lab1 DC/DC-conv simulation Matlab/Simulink



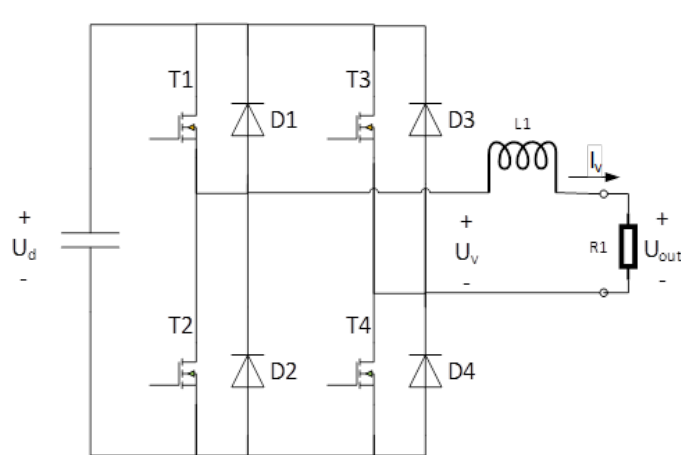
Step-down (Buck) DC/DC-converter



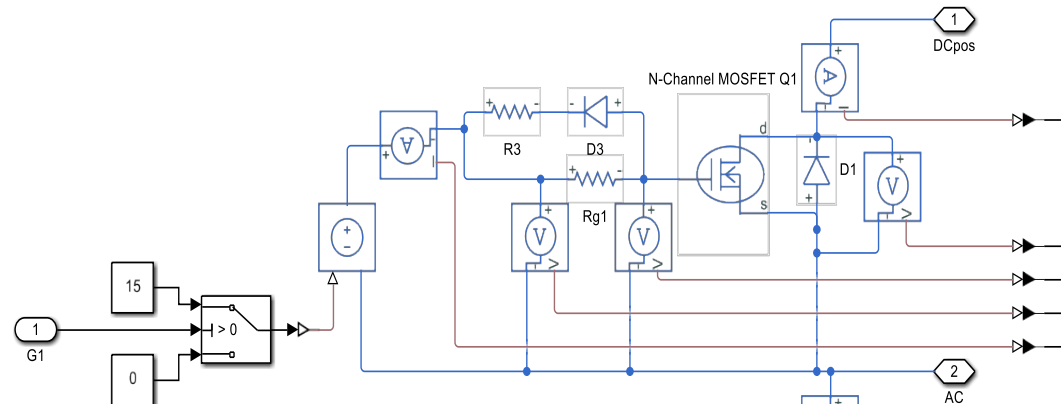
Step-up (Boost) DC/DC-converter



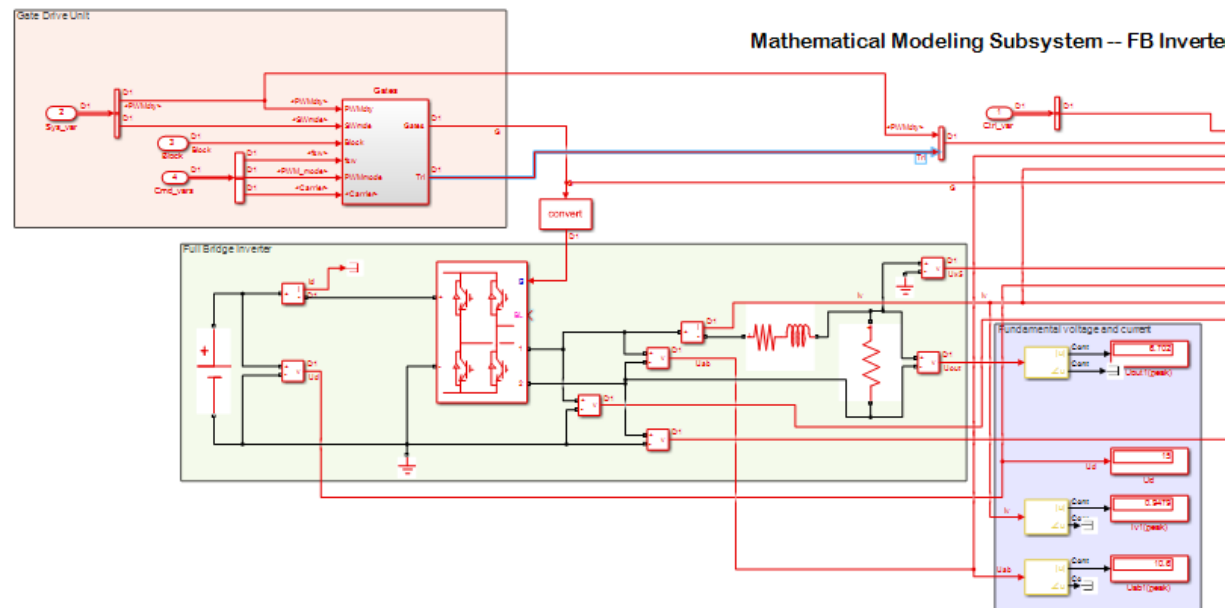
Lab2 MOSFET drive and PWM inverter



Full-bridge PWM inverter



MOSFET based full-bridge inverter with gate drive



Lab3: Harmonics & control of full-bridge inverter

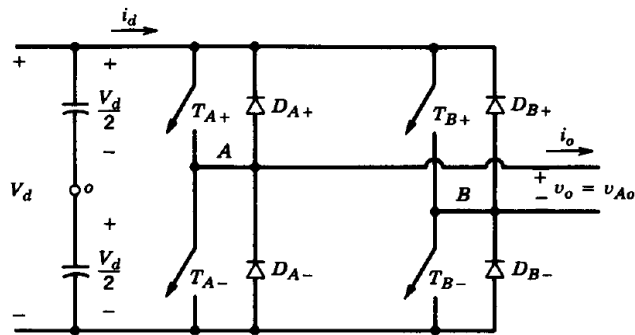
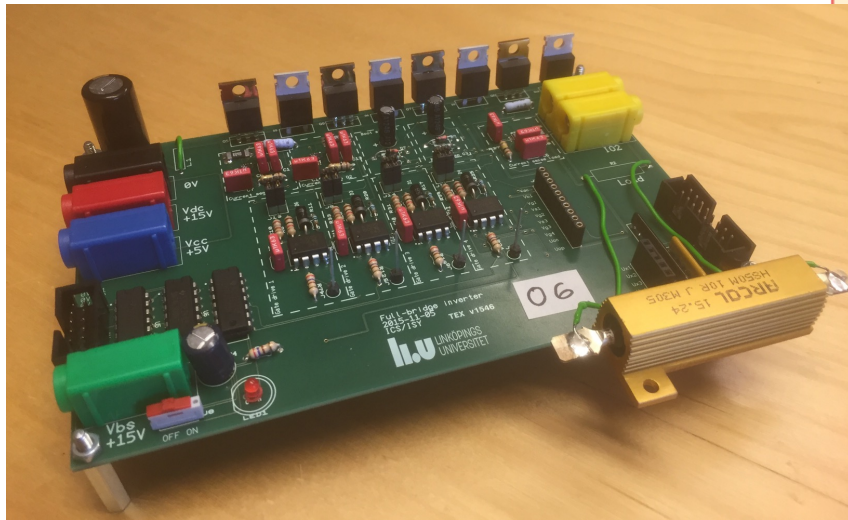
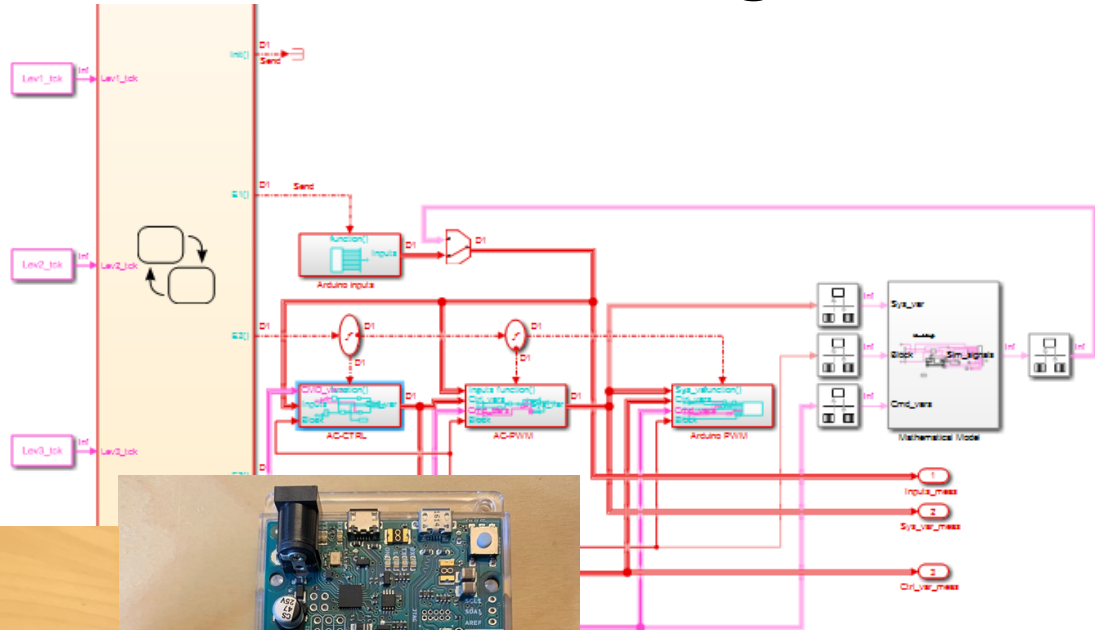


Figure 8-11 Single-phase full-bridge inverter.



MATLAB installation

- MATLAB 2021a
- Simulink
- Simscape
- Simscape Electrical
- Embedded Coder
- Simulink Coder

Add-ons

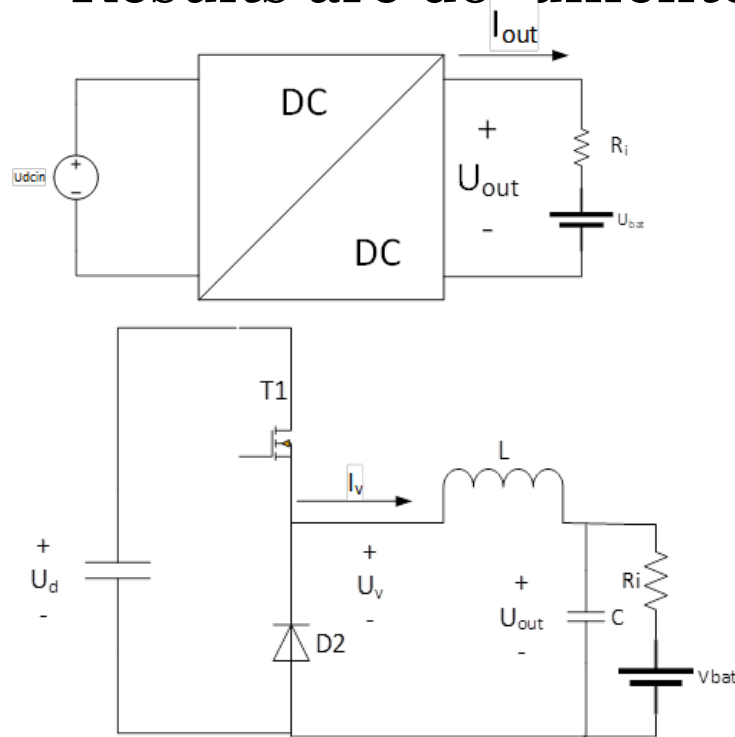
- Matlab support package for Arduino Hardware
- Simulink support package for Arduino Hardware
- MinGW-w64 C/C++ Compiler

Project task

Project task is done in groups of 2 students.

- Simulink simulation
- Hardware setup with Arduino

Results are documented in report.



Specification

Converter type			Buck
I_{out}	A	0.2	Average value
ΔI_{out-pp}	A	0.02	Current ripple, peak-peak
U_{bat}	V	4.0-5.5	Battery voltage range
R_i	ohm	2.5	Internal resistance
U_{in}	V	12	DC input voltage
I_{qpk}	A	0.25	MOSFET peak current
P_{loss}	W	<0.1	Total MOSFET losses
T_c	C	<50	Max case temp
T_j	C	<100	Max junction temp

Examination

- 3 Lab tasks completed and presented
 - Simulation and measurement tasks
 - Reports submitted in Lisam by 17 Sep, 1 & 8 Oct.
- Written exam
 - Important principles of switching devices.
 - Problem solving as in the Tutorials.

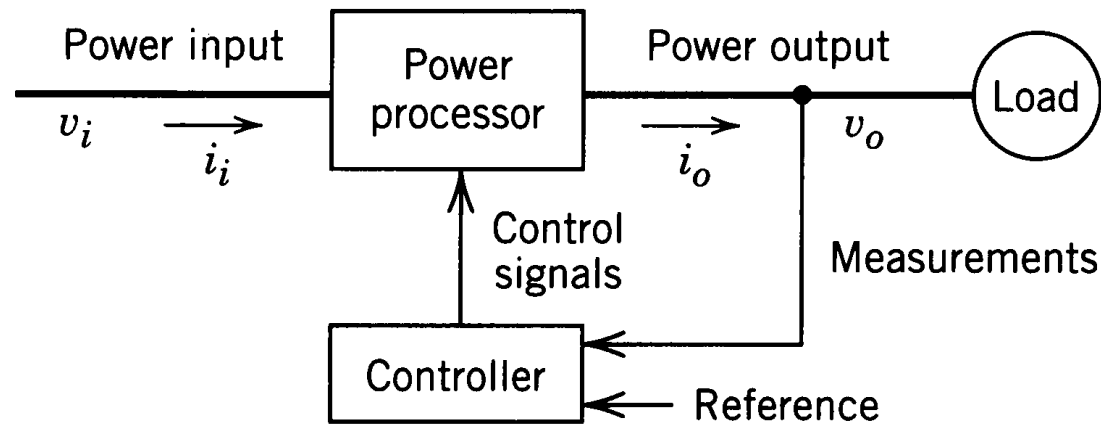
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Power electronic systems [Ch 1]

Power electronics over 18 decades (10^{-8} W - 10^{10} W)

Power Electronic Systems

- Transfer electric power from source into load, controlling voltage/current applied to the load

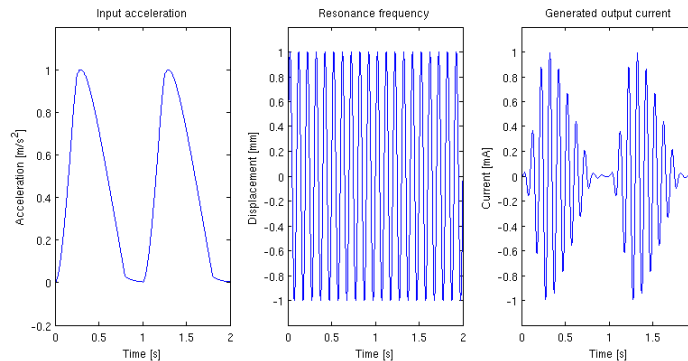
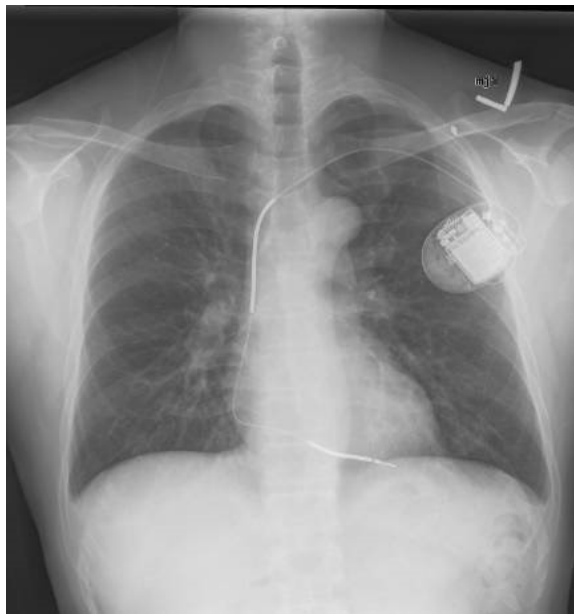


Power electronic systems

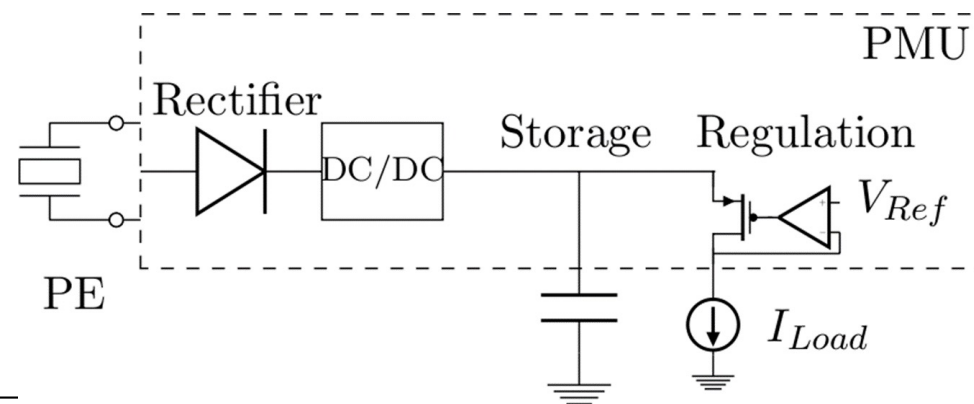
- Power conversion
 - Frequency transformation, e.g. AC to DC, DC to AC, AC 50Hz to AC X Hz
 - Voltage level transformation, 230V to 12V
 - Current control/limitation
 - Power flow control, charging v.s. discharging
 - Control related to load variations
 - Control related to source variations

MEMS for pace maker power supply

- Energy harvesting from human heart vibrations for power supply of pacemaker implants.



Requirement	Value
Power	300 nW
Output voltage	300 mV



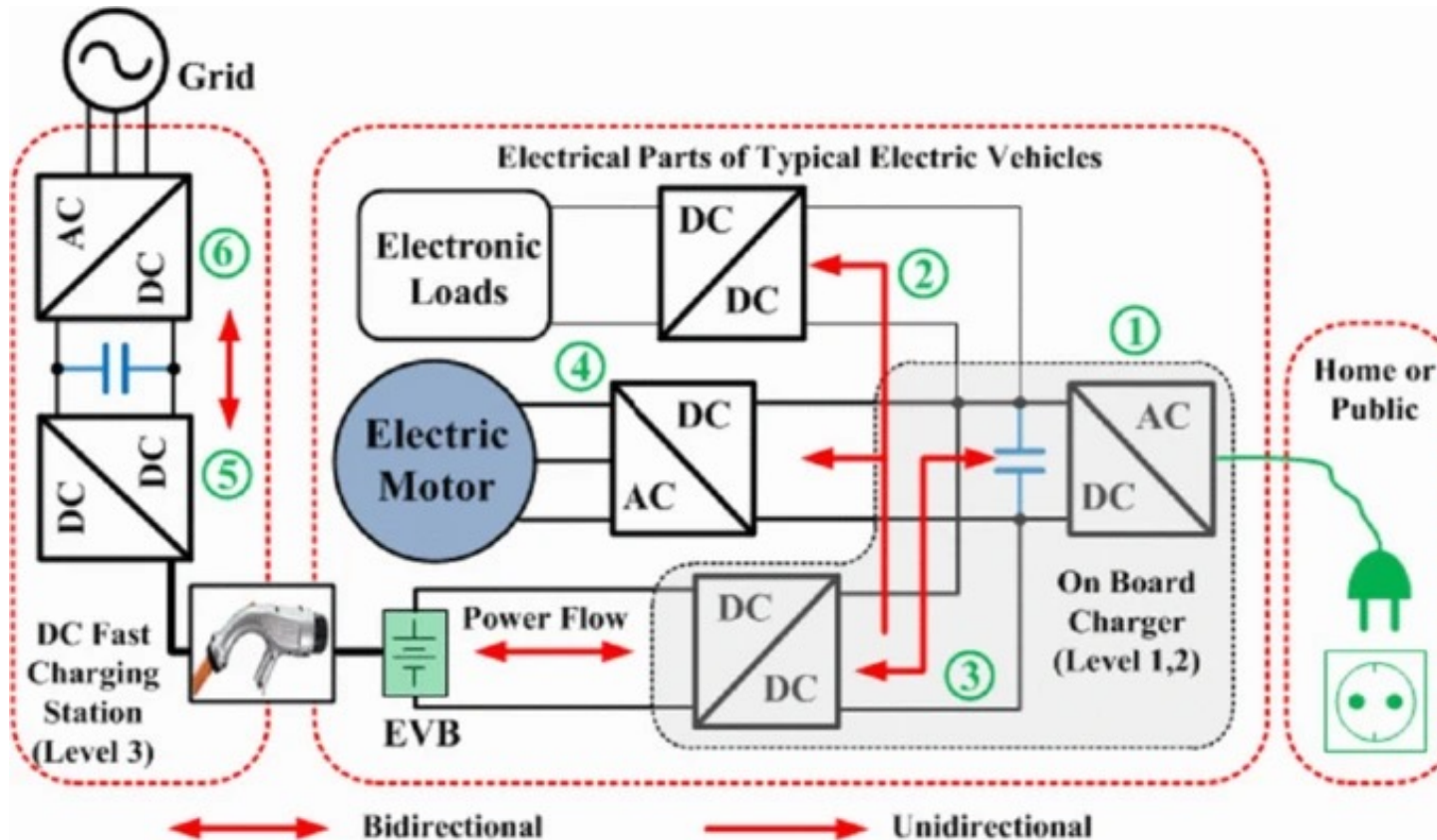
Battery charging

- AC-DC converter
- Power conversion from AC power source to DC load
 - Battery
 - Mobile phone ...



Electric Vehicle battery charger

$P = 2 \text{ kW} - 150 \text{ kW}$

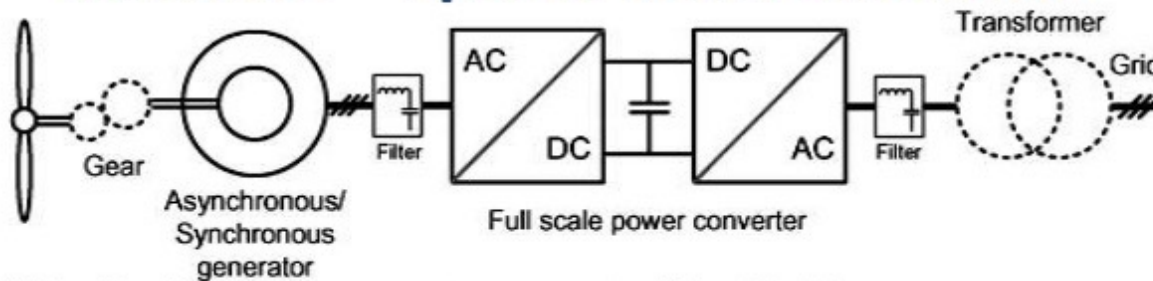


Brenna, M., Foadelli, F., Leone, C. *et al.* Electric Vehicles Charging Technology Review and Optimal Size Estimation. *J. Electr. Eng. Technol.* **15**, 2539–2552 (2020).

Wind turbine converter control



Variable – speed wind turbines



Wu B., Lang Y., Zargari N., Kouro S., "Power conversion and control of wind energy systems," Wiley-IEEE press, 2011, pp.16-35

- ❖ Achieve maximum efficiency over a wide range of wind speeds compared with fixed speed wind turbines which only reach peak efficiency at a particular wind speed
- ❖ variable speed systems could lead to maximize the capture of energy during partial load operation
- ❖ Can use either induction generator or a synchronous generator
- ❖ Can operate gearless, lowers the cost

Wind turbine speed/power control P=5 MW

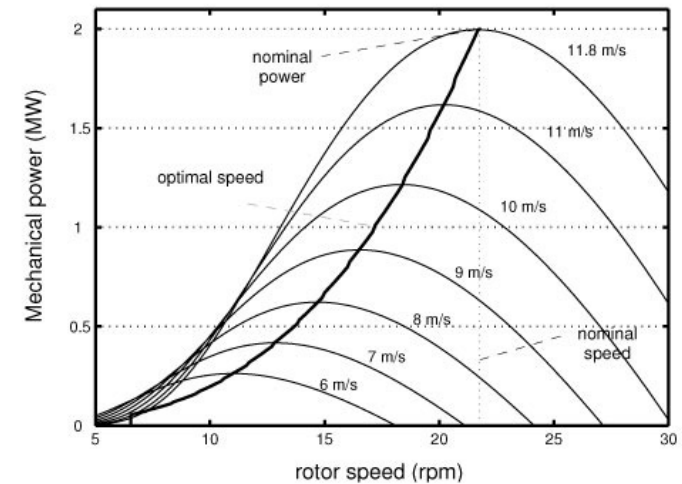
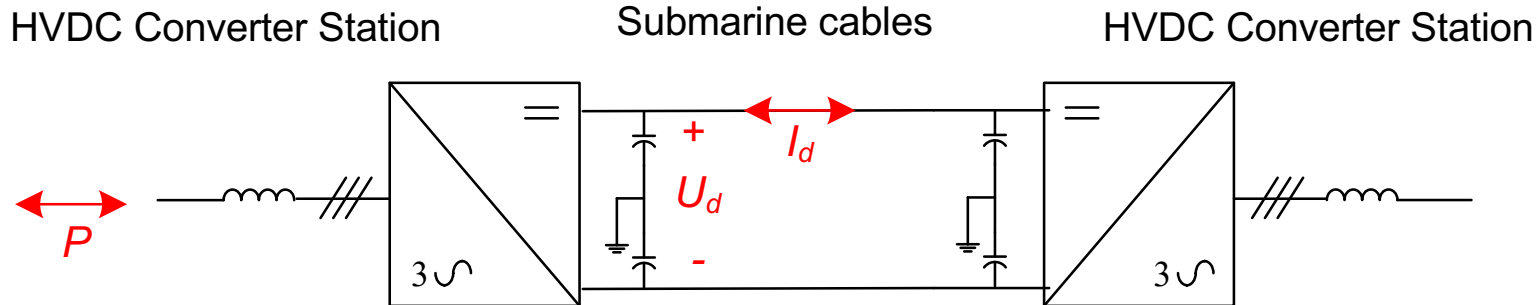
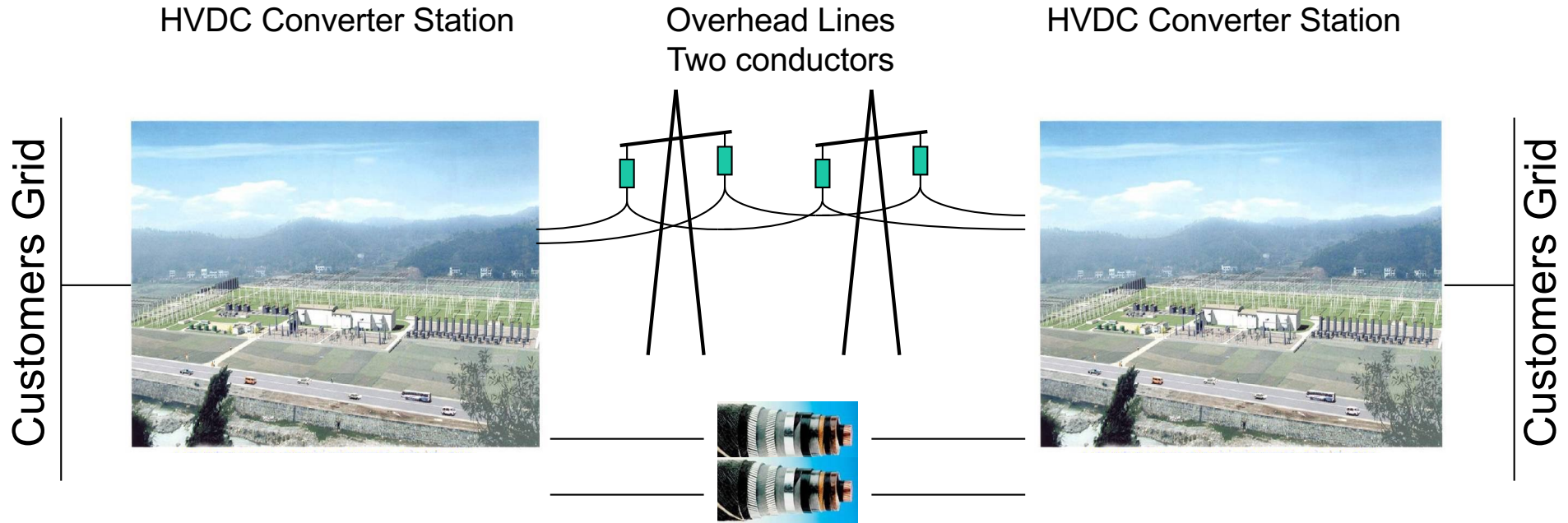


Fig. 8 Output power for different values of wind speed (m/s).

HVDC Transmission System



HVDC power transmission $P = 10^{10} = 10 \text{ GW}$
($\pm 800 \text{ kV}$, 6 kA)

Goals of the power transformation

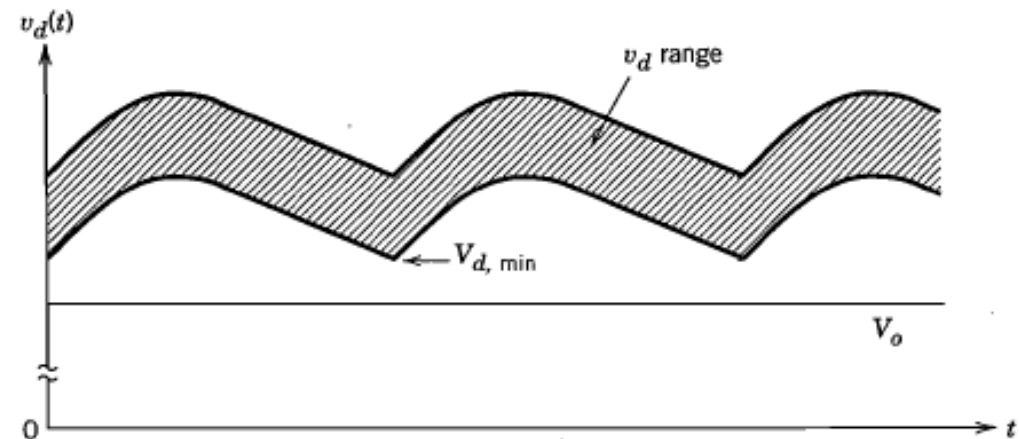
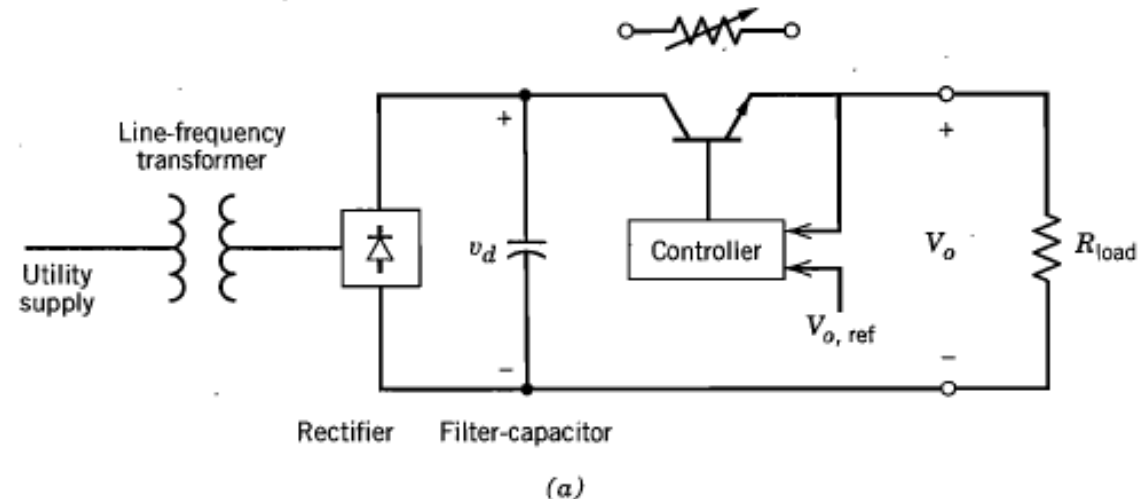
- High efficiency

$$\eta = \frac{P_{out}}{P_{in}} \approx 1$$

- Accurate output voltages/currents
 - Voltage/current ripple
 - Correct for varying load impedance
- Small size
- Low cost
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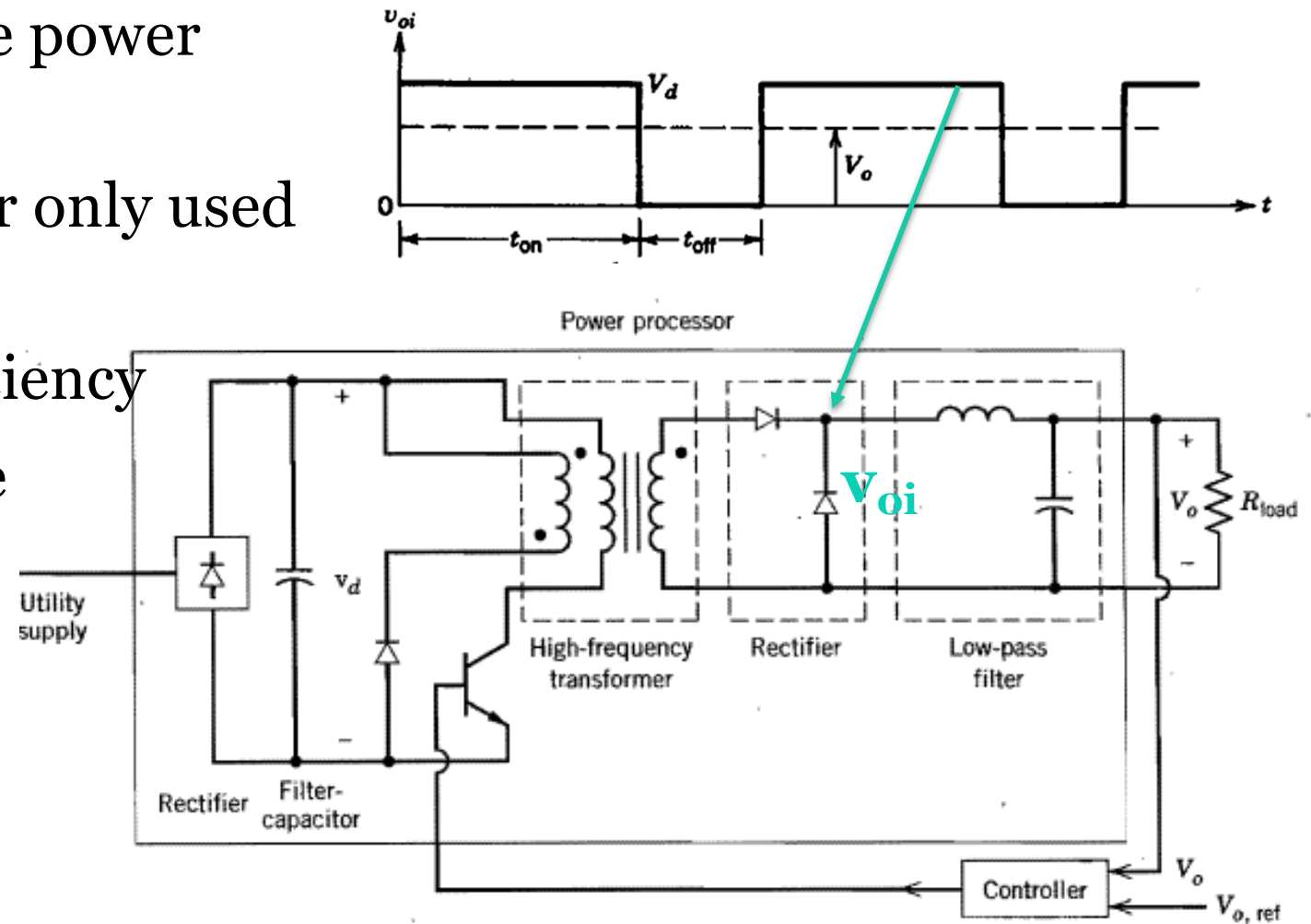
Example 1: Linear Power Supply

- Goal
 - Fixed DC voltage
 - Accept variation on input voltage
- Linear power supply
 - Adjustable resistor implemented using a transistor
 - Low efficiency, lot of power dissipated in transistor
 - Bulky line-frequency transformer



Example 2: Switched Power Supply

- Switch-mode power supply
 - Transistor only used as switch
 - High efficiency
 - Small size



Goal of power conversion

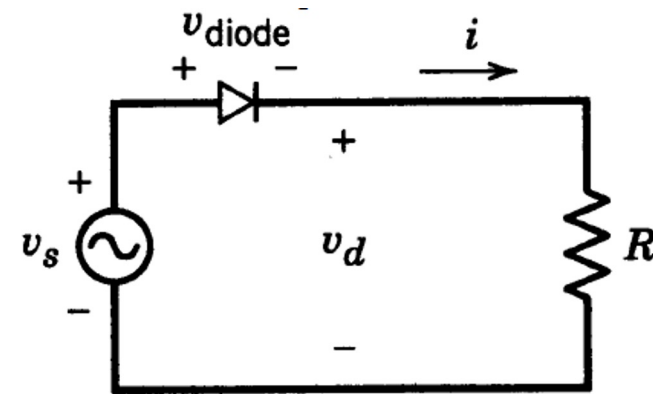
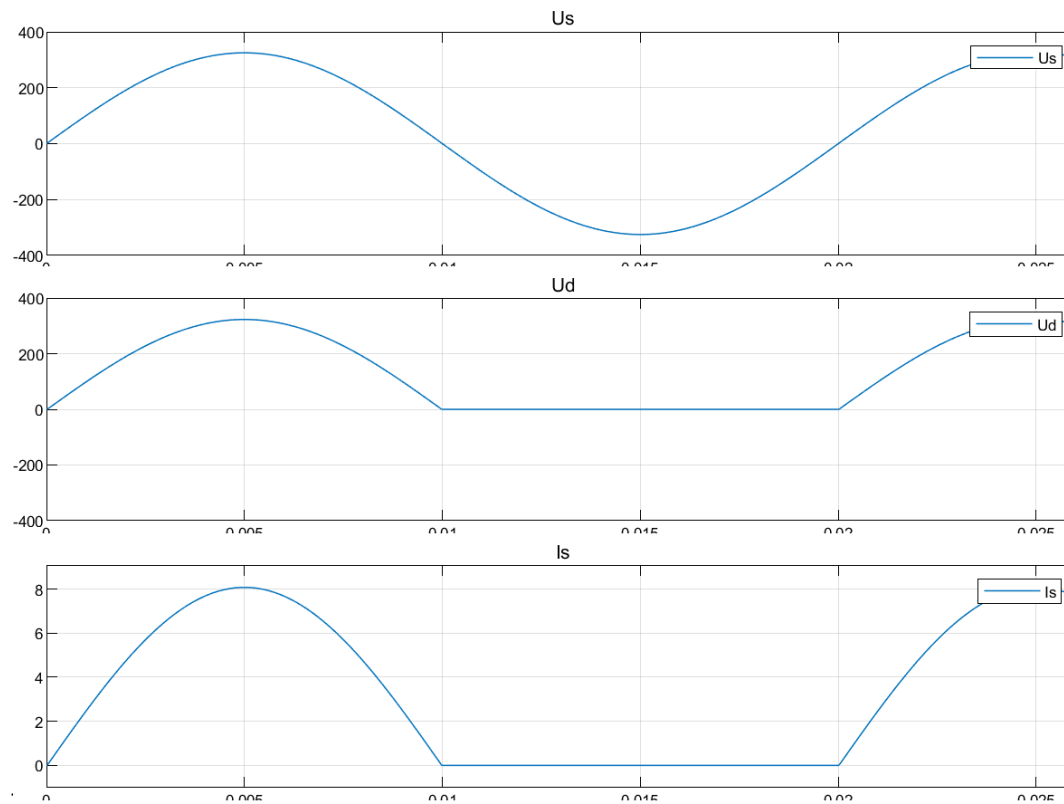
- Translate input voltage into expected waveform of output voltage
- Dissipate little/no power
- Technology: semiconductors, inductors, capacitors, (resistors)
- Should not use semiconductors as resistances

Lecture 1

- Diode device characteristics
 - Semiconductor theory
 - Data sheet info
- Rectifiers
 - Half-wave
 - Full-wave

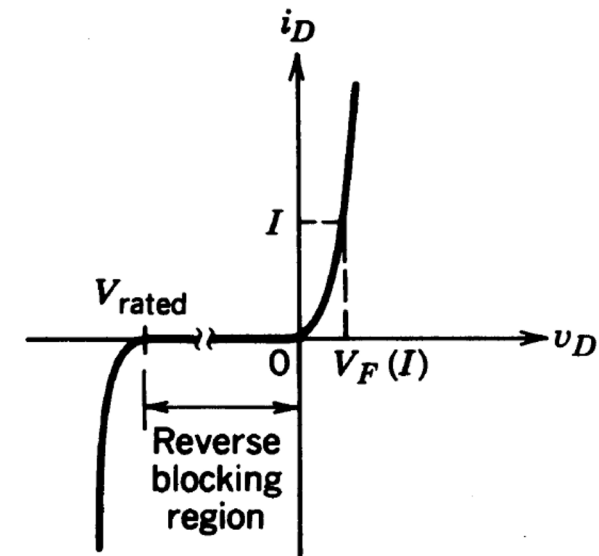
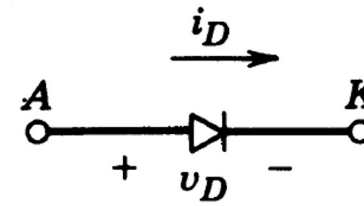
Half-wave rectifier, resistive load

- Large ripple on i and v_d
- Half-wave rectifier



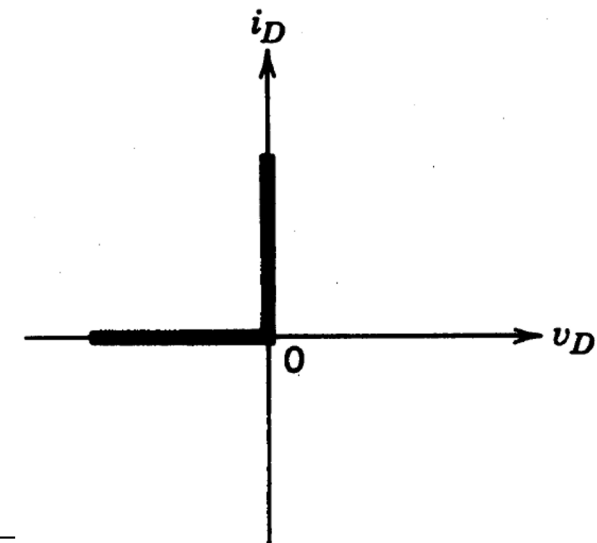
Diodes

- Characteristic



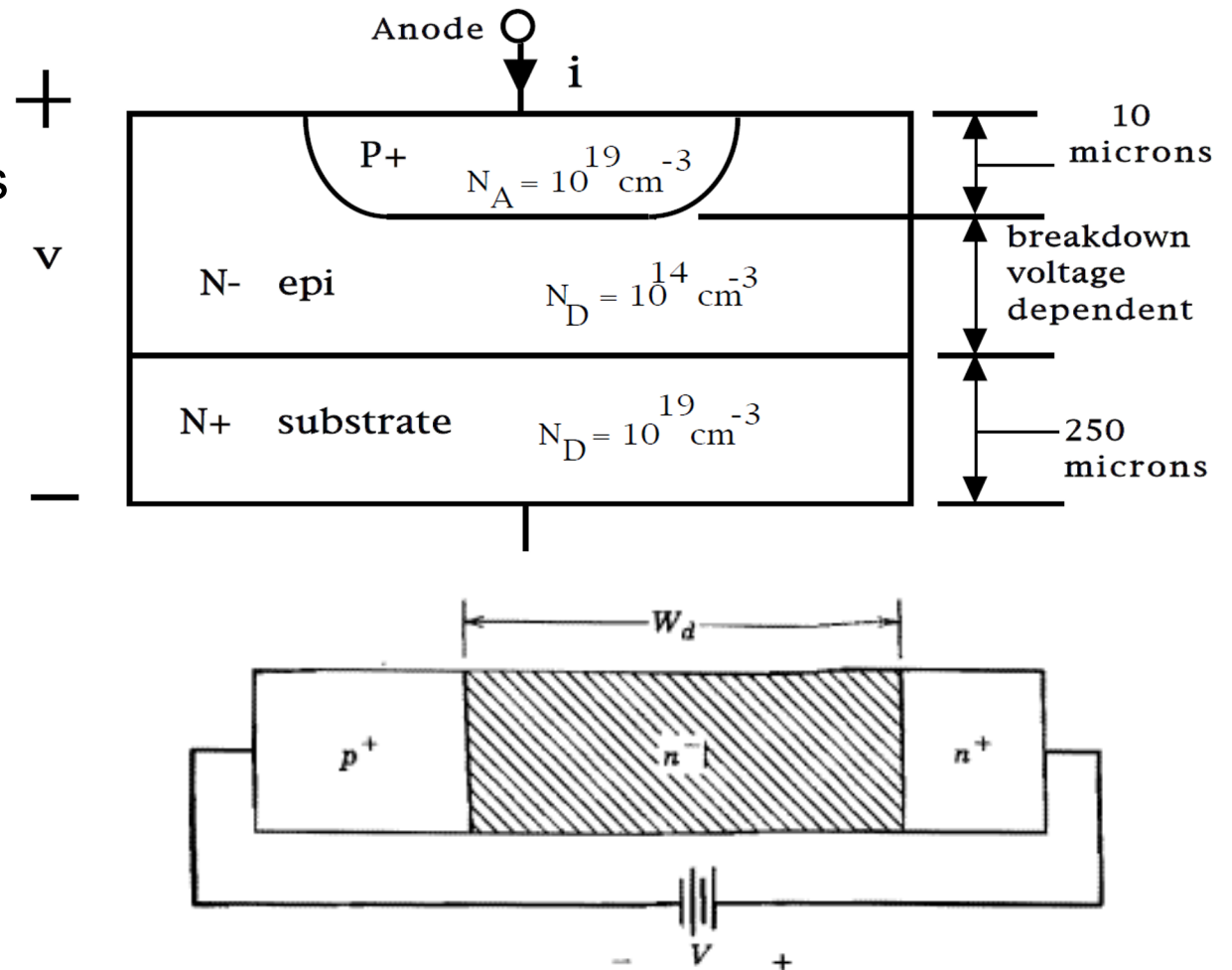
- Idealized characteristic

- Neglect forward voltage drop
- Neglect breakdown voltage
- Turns off only if current drops to 0



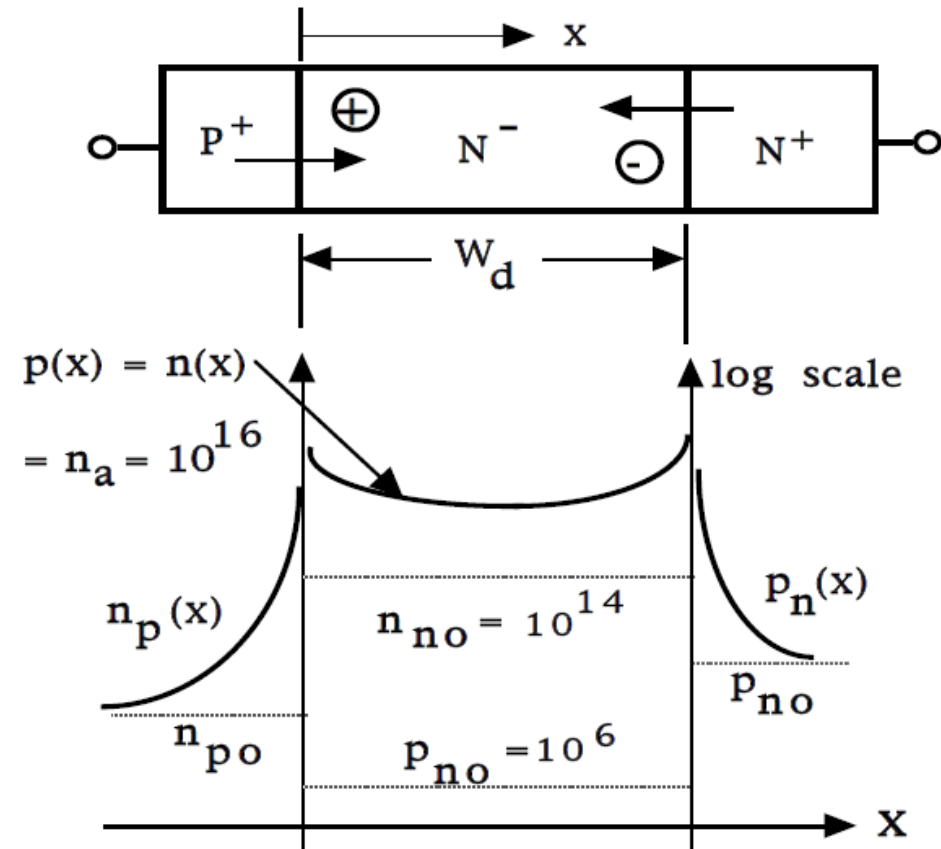
Diodes, physical implementation

- P-N junction
- Cross-section defines the current capability
- N- epi thickness related to breakdown voltage capability
- Negative bias
 - Depleted (carrier free) N- epi



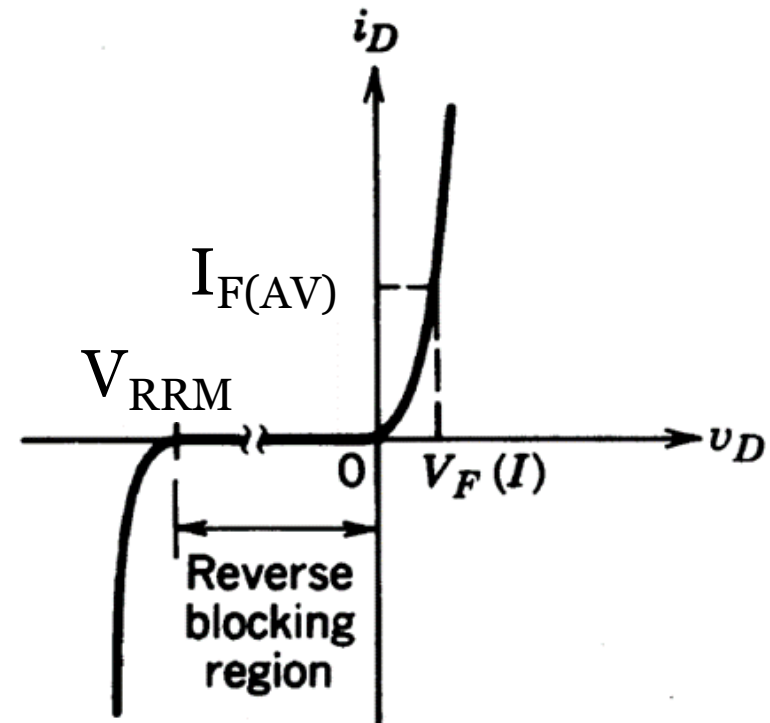
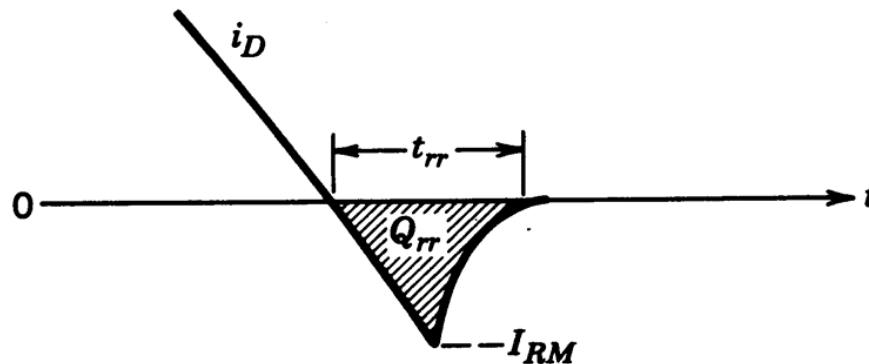
On-state: Carrier injection

- Forward bias ($U > 0.6 \text{ V}$)
 - Holes from P^+
 - Electrons from N^+
- Drift region (N^-)
 - High carrier concentration
 - Low on-state resistance (losses)



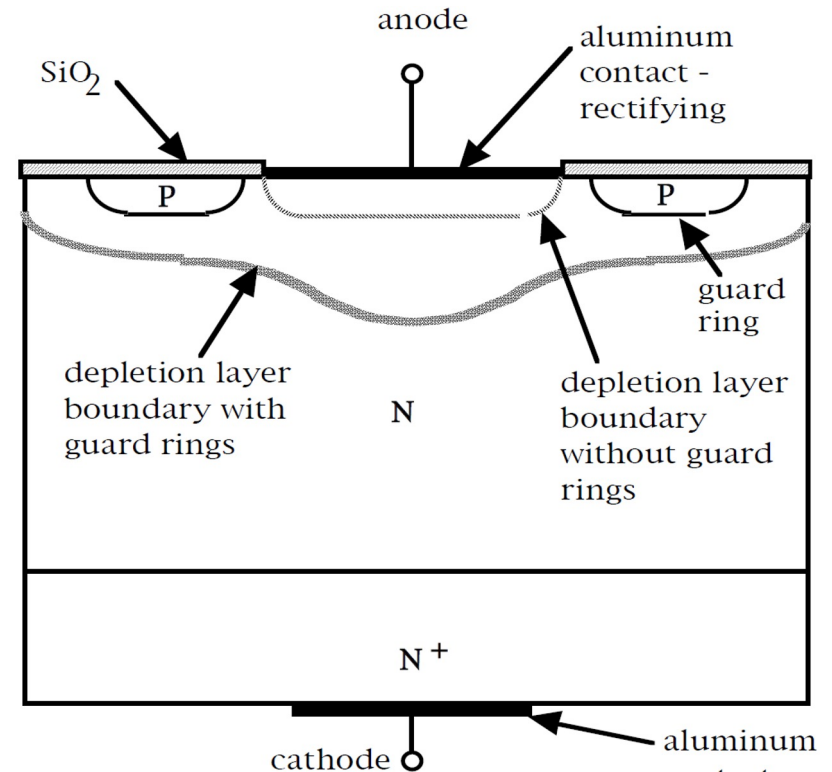
Diode data sheet

- $I_{F(AV)}$ = Max average forward current
- V_F = Voltage at $I_{F(AV)}$
- V_{RRM} = Repetitive peak reverse voltage
- t_{rr} = Reverse recovery time (turn-off delay)
- Q_{rr} = Recovered charge, $Q_{rr} = \int_0^{t_{rr}} i_D dt$



Schottky diode

- Metal on N-doping
- Low forward voltage ~ 0.3 V
- Blocking voltage range 50 - 100V



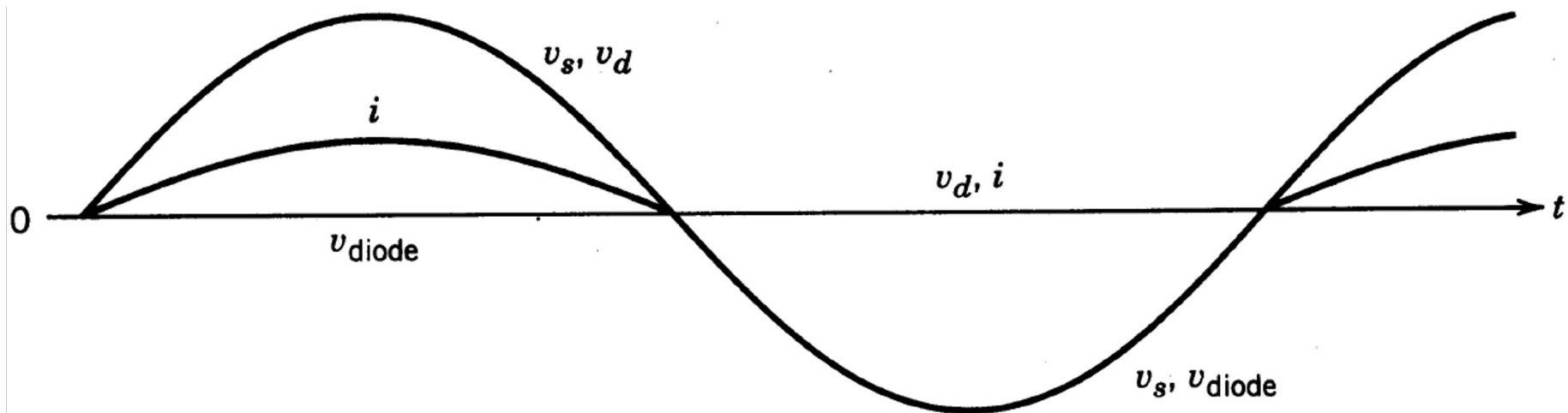
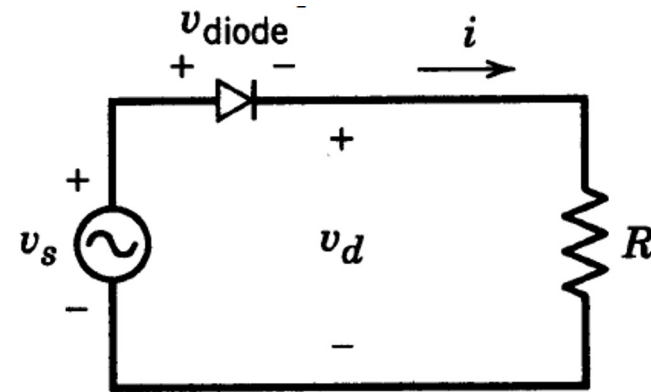
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Rectifiers

Half-wave

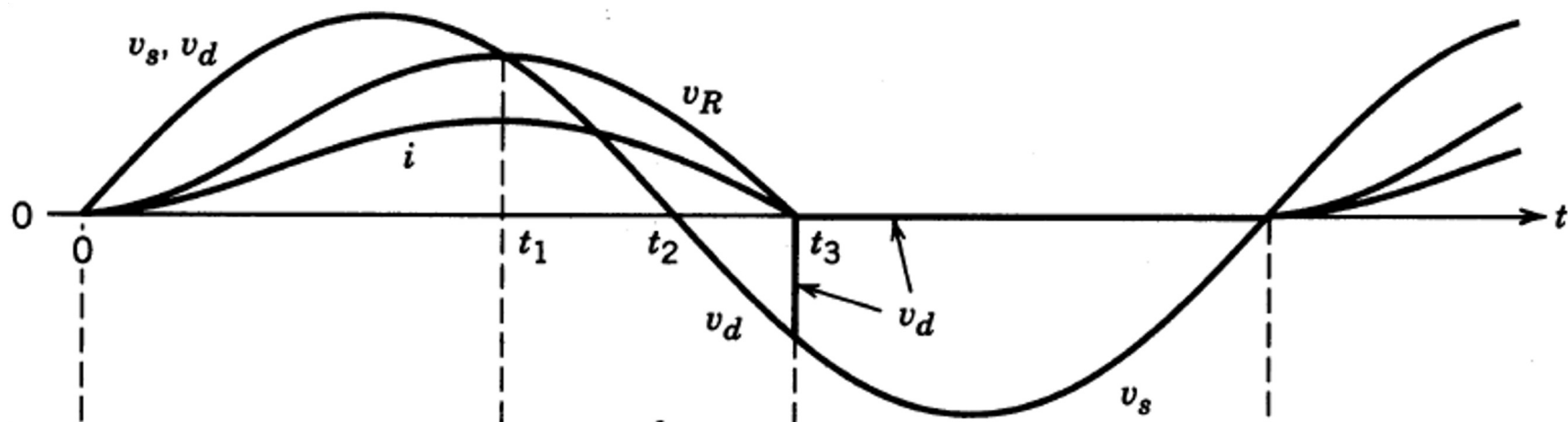
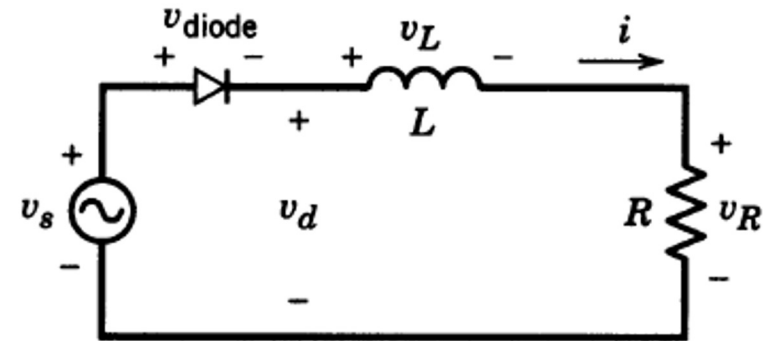
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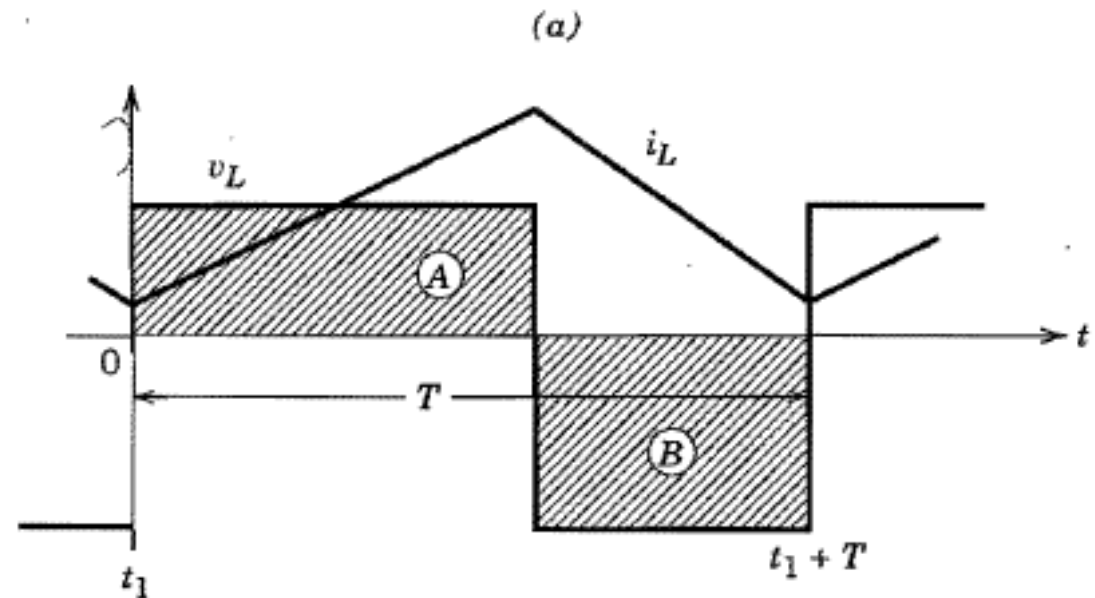
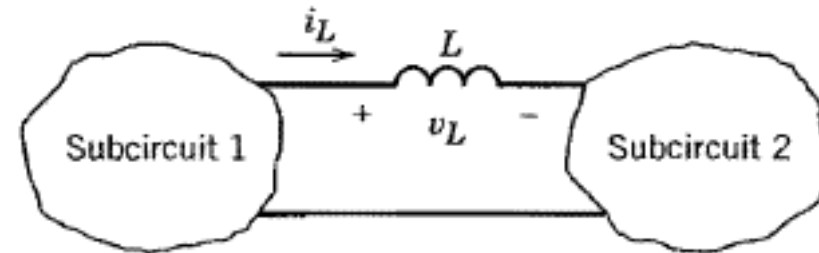
Inductive load

- Inductor causes delay of the current change
- Diode turn-off at $t=t_3$



Inductor a current storage

- Voltage is required to change the current
- $v_L > 0$: i_L increase
- $v_L < 0$: i_L decrease
- Steady state:
 - Voltage-time area $A=B$
 - Repetitive waveform

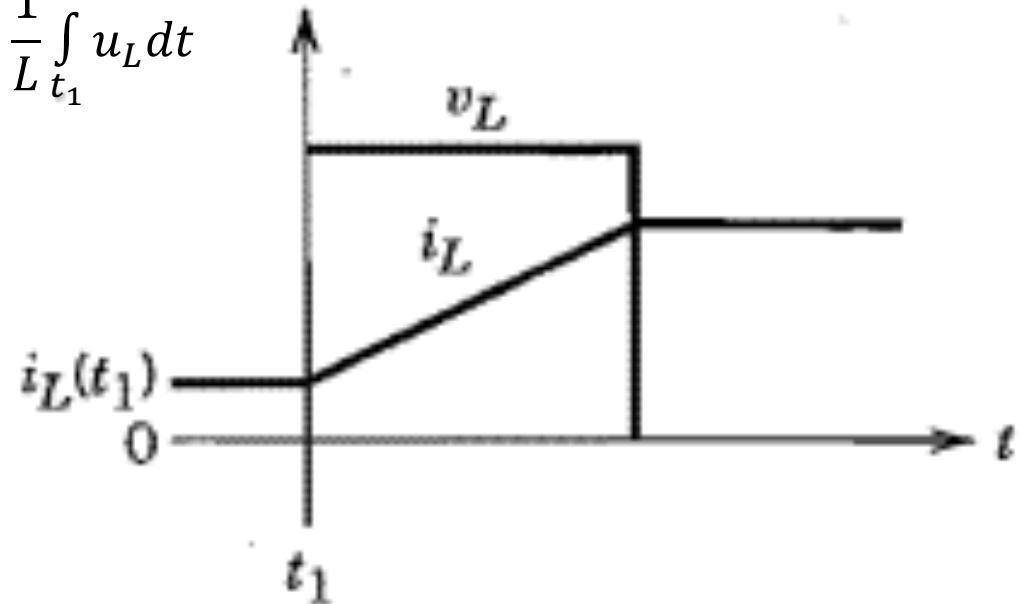
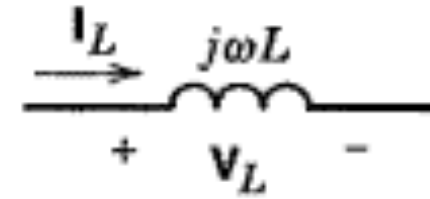
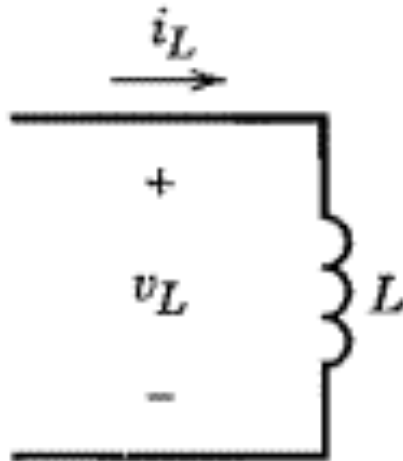


Inductor model

- Time and frequency domain

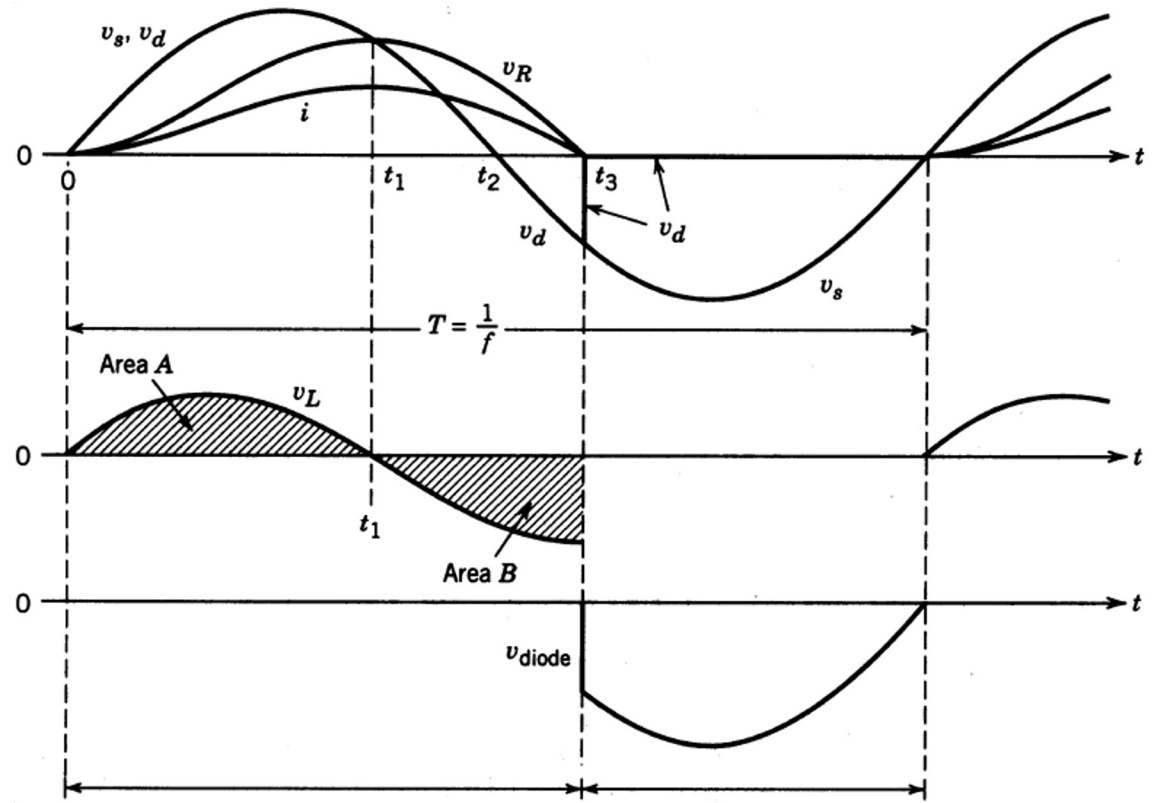
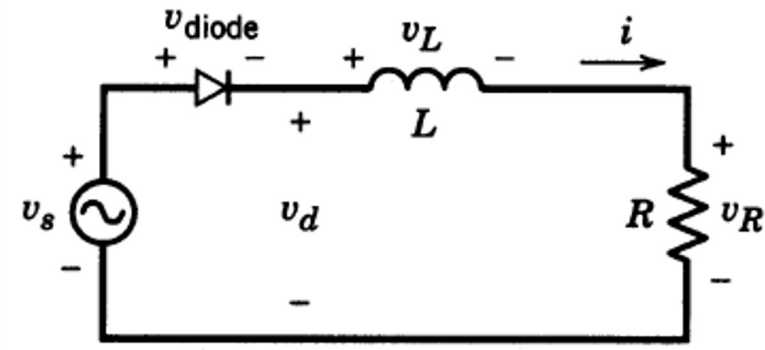
- $u_L = L \frac{di_L}{dt} \quad \bar{U}_L = j\omega L \bar{I}_L$

$$i_L(t) = i_L(t_1) + \frac{1}{L} \int_{t_1}^t u_L dt$$



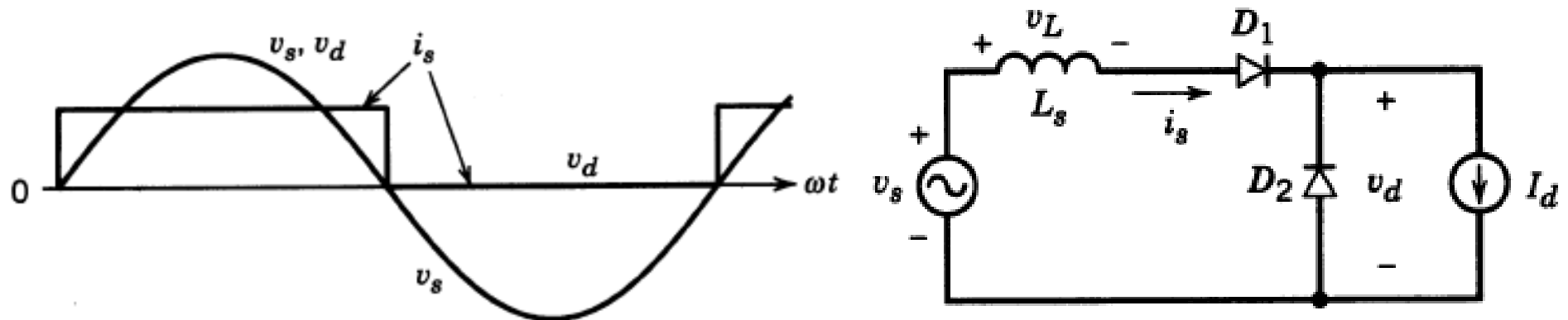
Inductive load, cont

- From t_0 to t_1
 - Inductor is storing energy
- At t_1 : $v_d = v_R$
 - Inductor starts to output energy
- At t_2 : negative input voltage, but still non-zero current
- At t_3 : zero current, diode switch off
- Current even when v_s negative



Constant current load

- Waveform if $L_s = 0$

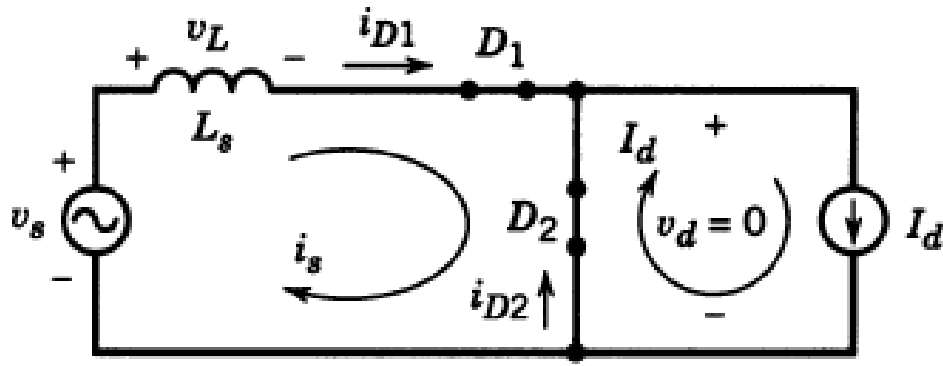
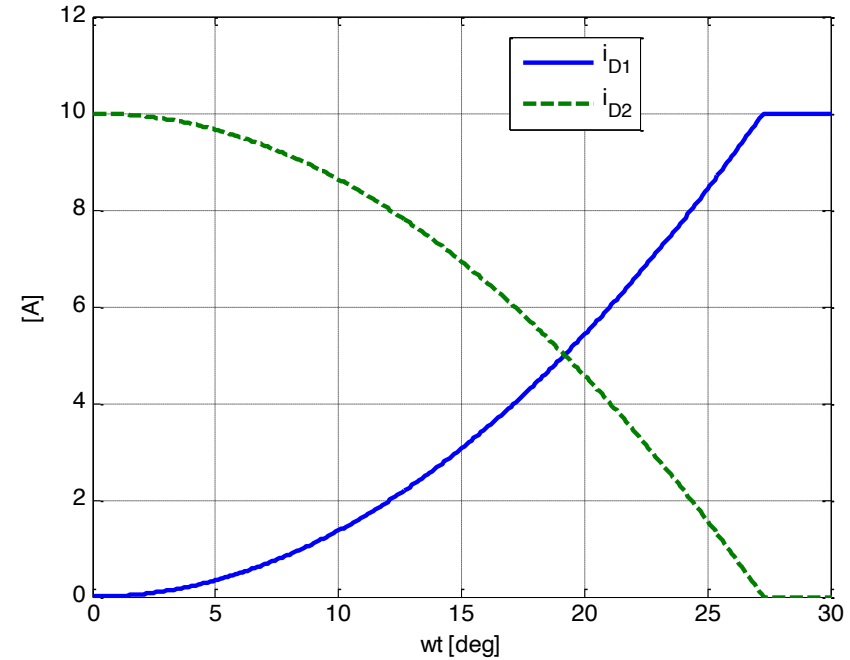


In a current source, the current has to flow somewhere at all times!!

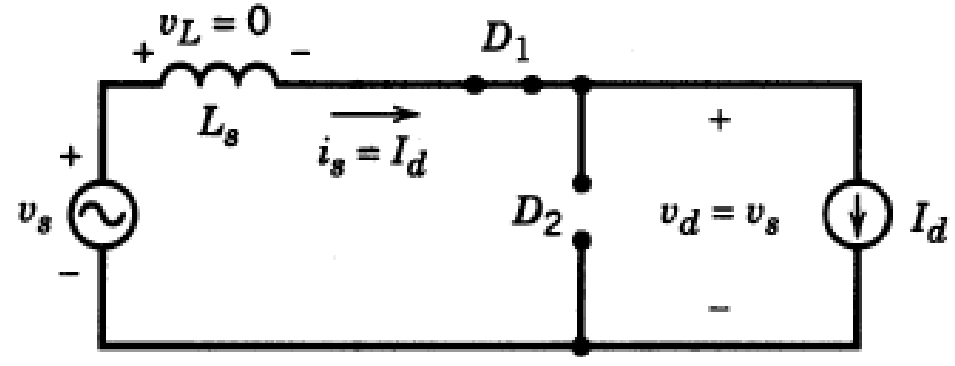
- Prior to $\omega t = 0$, v_s is negative, current flow through D_2
 - $v_d = 0$, $i_s = 0$
- After $\omega t = 0$, v_s is positive, current flow through D_1
 - $v_d = v_s$, $i_s = I_d$

Current commutation

- During commutation ($\omega t > 0$)
 - v_s positive, D1 turns on
 - $i_{D1} = i_s$
 - $i_{D2} = I_d - i_s$
 - $i_{D1} + i_{D2} = I_d$
 - D2 stops conducting when $i_{D2} = 0$



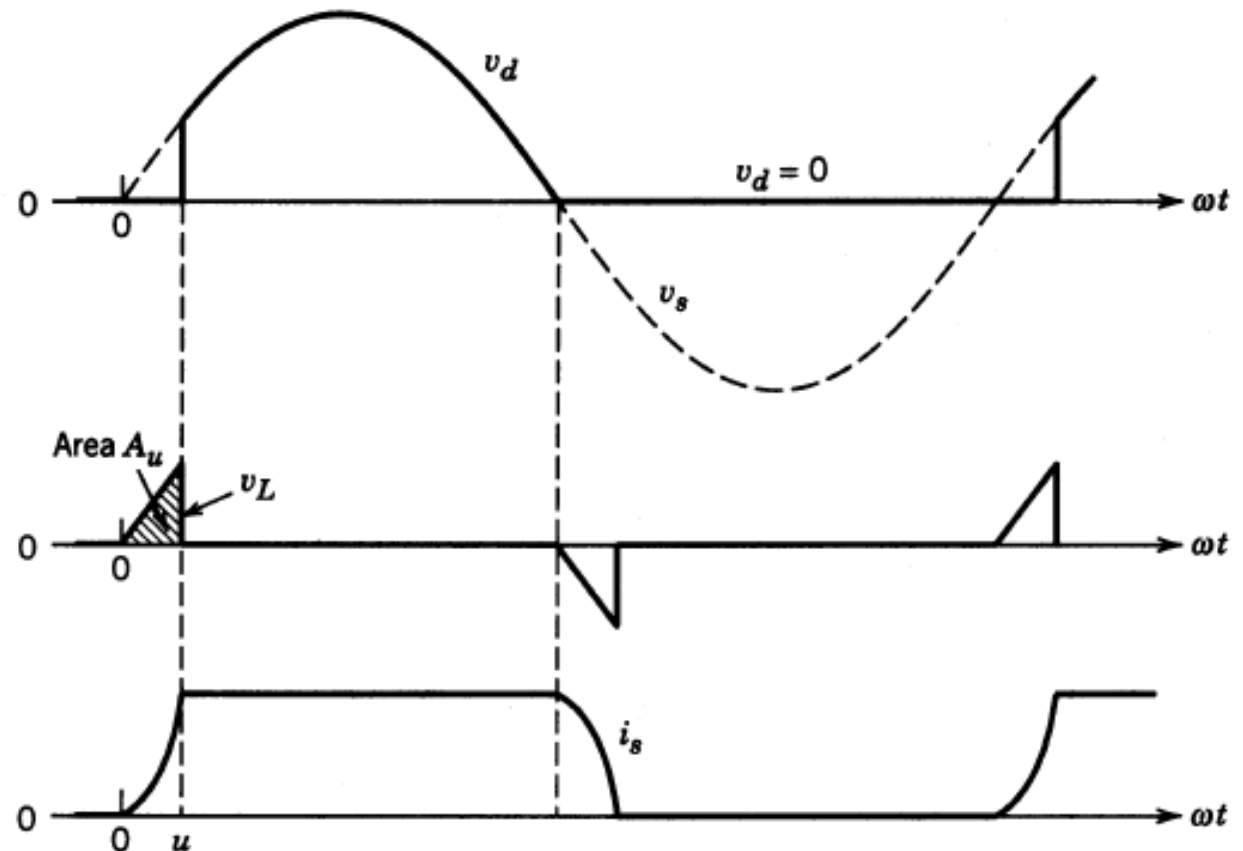
Valid for $0 < i_s < I_d$



After commutation completed

Current commutation waveforms

- Large L_s used to clearly show effect
- Time for commutation depend on L_s size and current change in L_s



Commutation conclusions

- **Conduction:**
 - Magnetic energy is stored related to the inductance of the conduction path
- **Commutation**
 - Transfer of current between two paths:
 - **⇒ Stored magnetic energy needs to be transferred!**
 - **Output voltage reduction proportional to I_d and L_s**

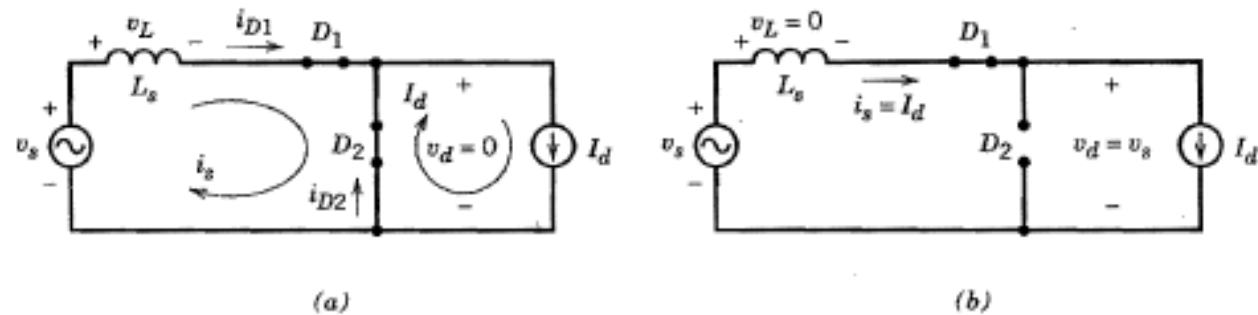


Figure 5-12 (a) Circuit during the commutation. (b) Circuit after the current commutation is completed.

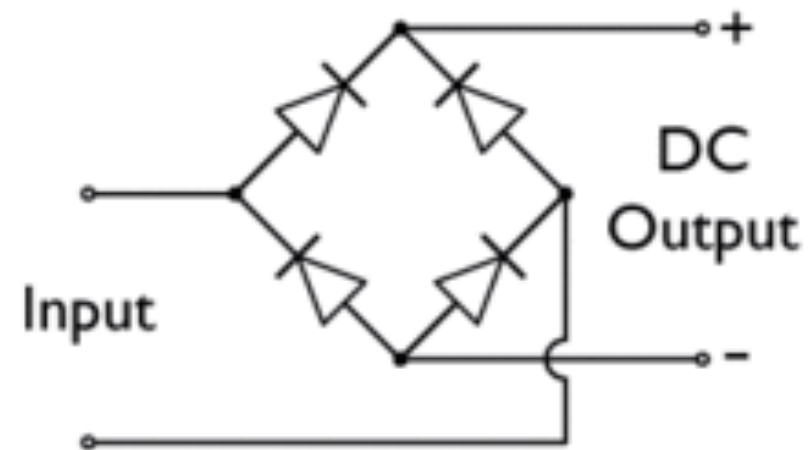
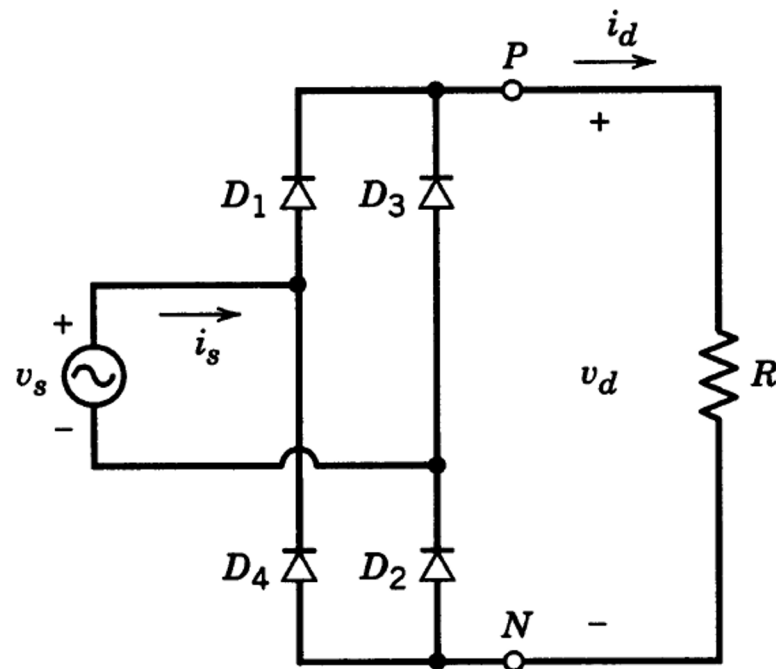
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Rectifiers

Full-wave

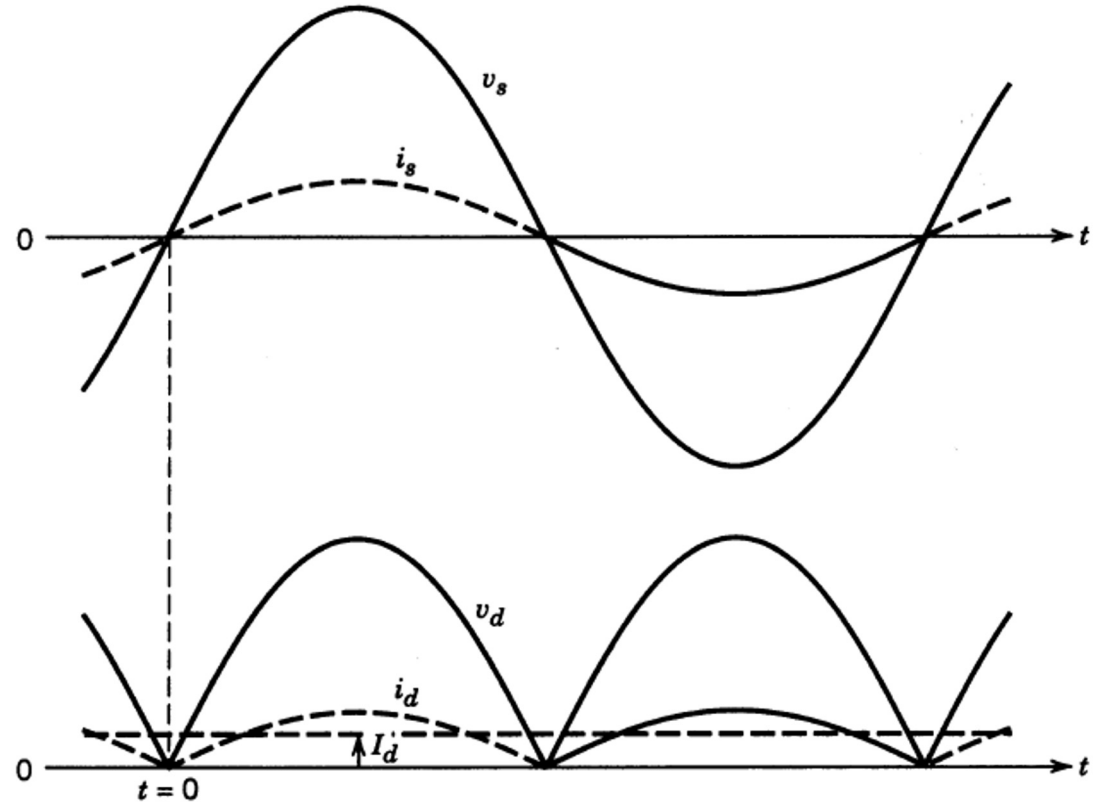
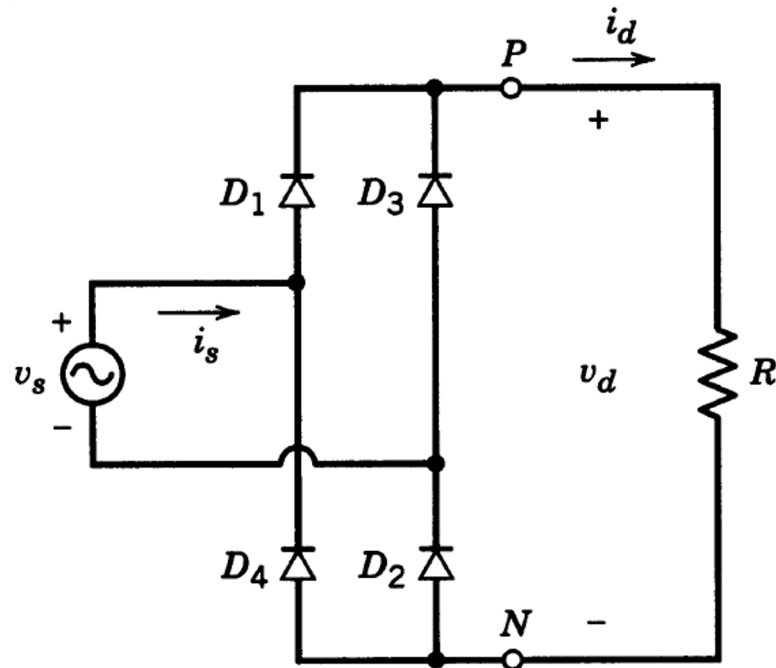
Full-wave diode bridge rectifier

- Single phase, full-wave, full-bridge, Graetz-bridge
- Two separate circuits defined related to the polarity of v_s



Idealized circuit, $L_s = 0$, resistive load

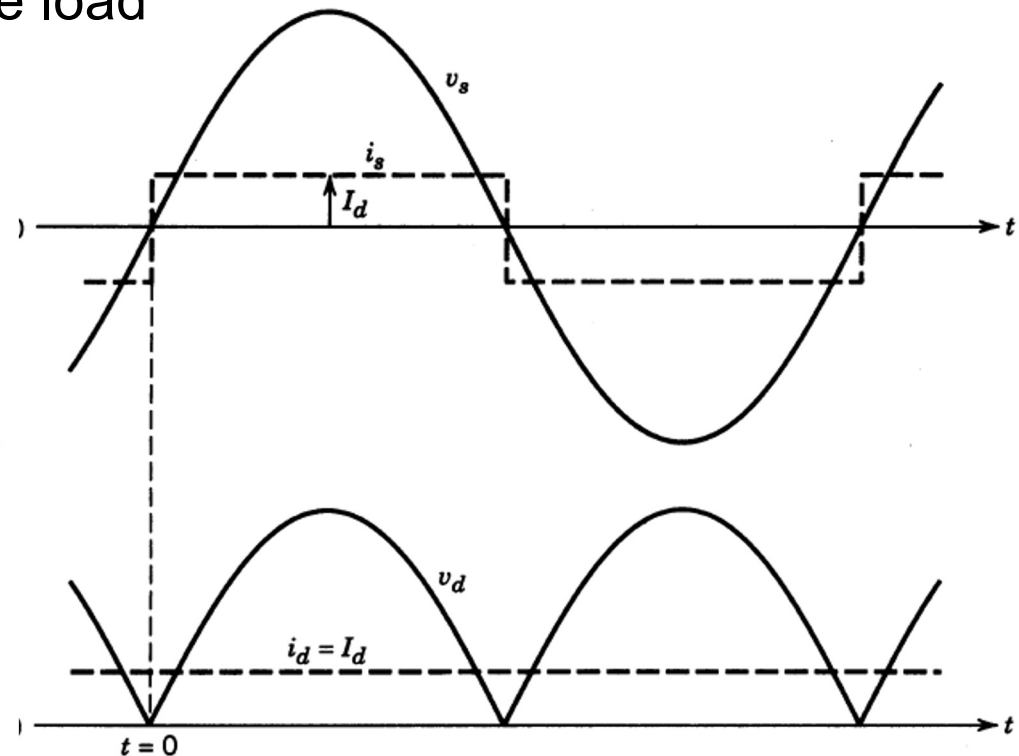
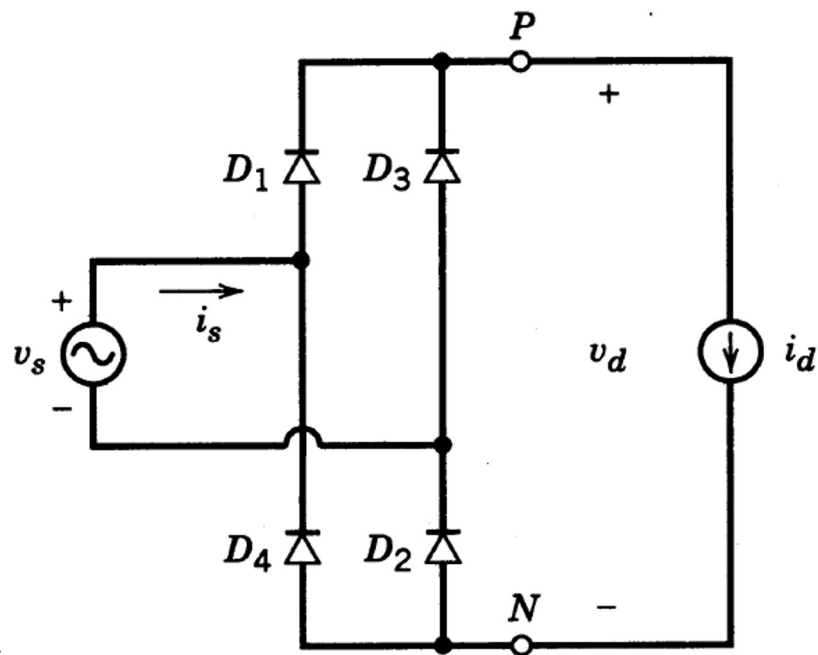
- No inductance L_s considered on ac-source side



$$\text{Average: } U_d = \frac{2}{\pi} \sqrt{2} V_s = 0.9 V_s$$

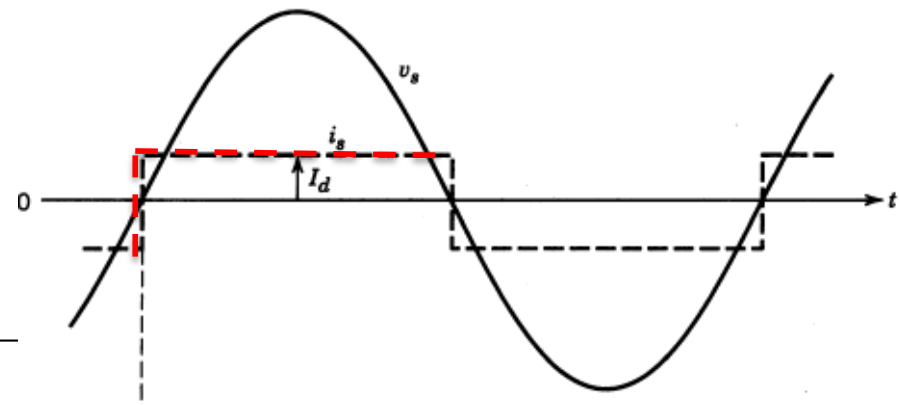
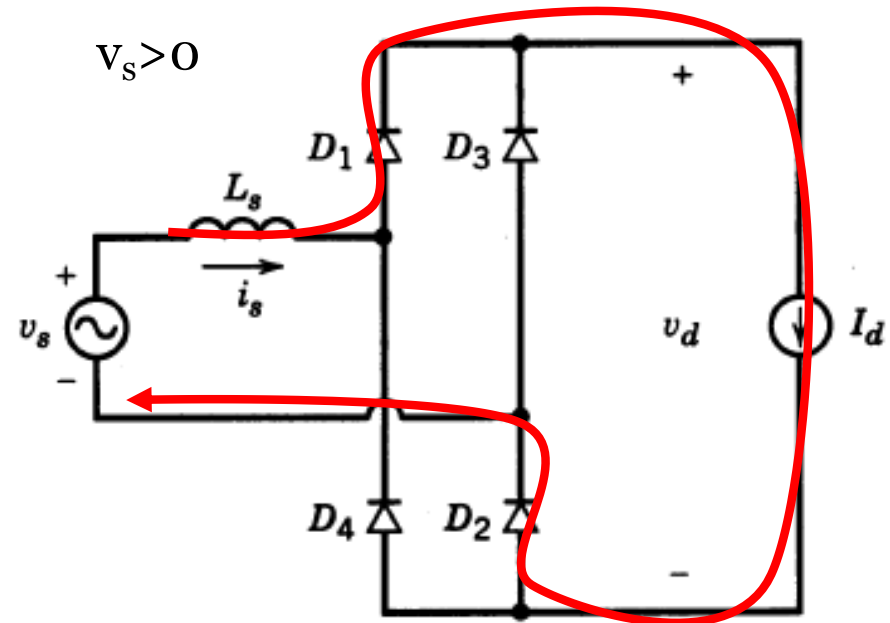
Idealized circuit, $L_s = 0$, current load

- Current source can be same as large inductance in series on the dc-side
- Same average U_d as resistive load



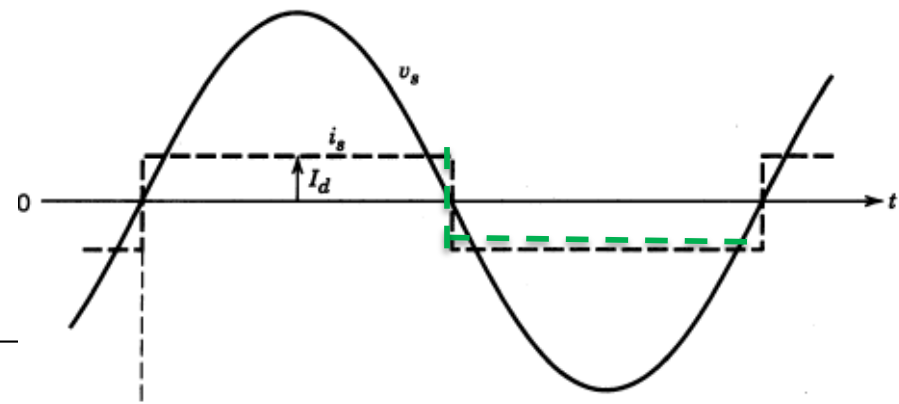
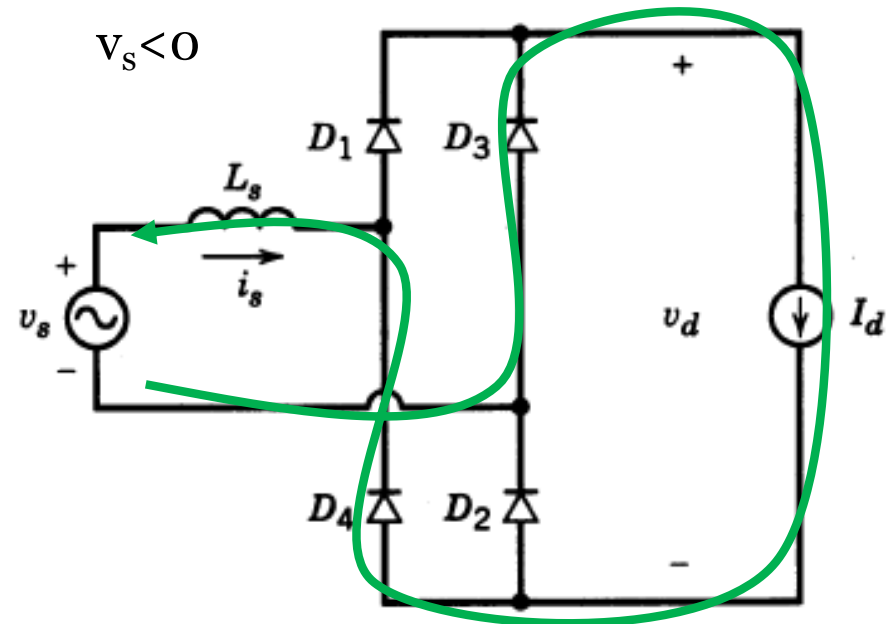
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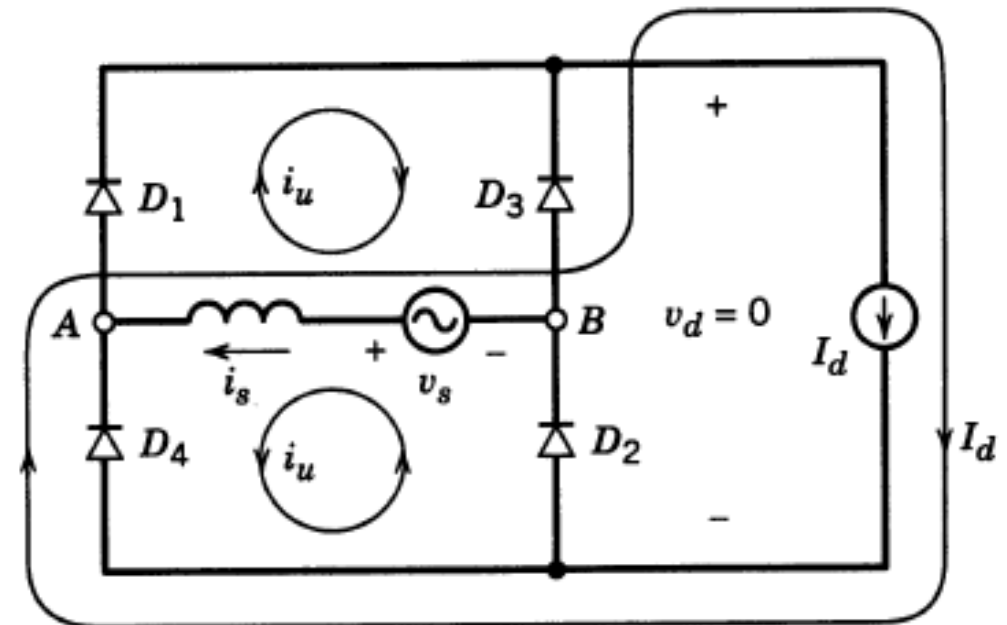
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Full-bridge during current commutation

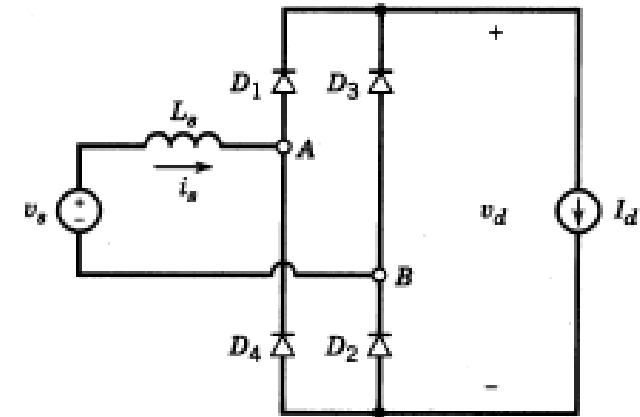
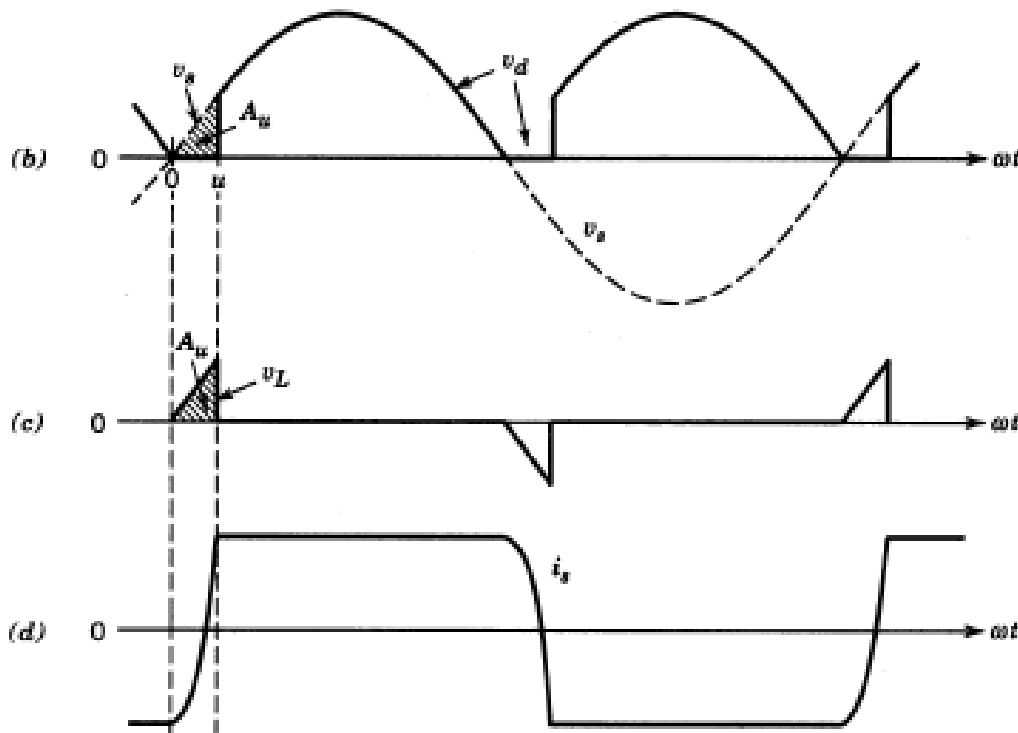
- v_s negative before $t = 0$
 - D3 and D4 conducting
 - $i_s = -I_d$
- v_s positive
 - D1 and D2 starts conducting (Short circuit path through D3 and D4)
- i_u are commutation currents
- $v_d = 0$ during commutation



Valid for $-I_d < i_s < I_d$

Current commutation in full-bridge

- Same principle for area A_u due to L_s



Average output voltage:

$$V_d = V_{d0} - \Delta V_d =$$

$$= V_{d0} - \frac{A_u}{\pi} = 0.9V_s - \frac{2\omega L_s}{\pi} I_d$$

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