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EV Charging Schemes With Different Bidirectional DC-DC Converters

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Abstract: In electrical vehicle, galvanic isolation for dc-dc converters are often utilized. Basically these converters are connected between your dc link and storage element. So to achieve high density in power, high efficiency with wide range of gain and bidirectional capability of power flow CLLC and Dual active bridge are most suitable for all purposes to meet. Therefore this study based on the CLLC and Dual active bridge converters. This paper also focuses on grid connected AC - DC converter and controlling DC link voltage and then collectively designing the suitable charging scheme which will be able to deliver power in both directions. The operation and control methods of these converters are explained respectively.

Simulation and its findings are used to verify the correctness of the suggested notion

Keywords: Synchronous reference frame theory, AC-DC converter, Bidirectional DC-DC Converter, DAB converter, CLLC converter

I. INTRODUCTION

The problem of pollution, climate changes, fuel depletion, rising fuel prices are the primary reasons of growth of electric vehicle.[1] So lot of work is going on technics to improve performance, efficiency, bidirectional power transfer capability and power density of electric vehicle charger.[1]. In electric vehicle charger scheme, basically there are two stages. one is ac -dc transformation and other is dc to dc transformation.[1] So here we are making use of Synchronous reference frame theory to get control over dc link voltage which is output of 3-ph PWM converter. BDCs are praised for their focus on eliminating switching losses, reducing EMI, and achieving achievable high frequency operability, thus achieving power density without sacrificing efficiency. The three-phase AC-DC PWM converter may function with any DC voltage reference value. This reference value can be changed to any value you like. We made use of feedback control to obtain the intermediate circuit voltage and compare it to the reference voltage. After comparison from controller the error signal generated with the help of reference value and the set value is sent to turn on or OFF the six gates of the converter. Power transmission can be taken in and out of power depending on the DC link voltage. When we have a positive DC voltage, this is known as rectifier functioning, and the capacitor will discharge. To acquire additional power from AC electricity, this bug necessitates the control of blocks. To generate the necessary PWM signal, the controller received currents from the source. More current flows from the AC side to the DC side in this manner. Negative direct current, on the other hand, causes inverter operation, which causes the capacitor to be overcharged. The control circuit must discharge the capacitor in response to the error signal. Not only can PWM control manage active power, but it can also manage reactive power.

This output is then transferred to dc -dc converter and through this it is supplied to energy storage element (Battery).

To control the switching of both ac -dc and dc -dc converter SPWM control is adapted. The main manuscript of this paper is we are implementing two different categories of dc -dc converter and analyzing the performance of charging scheme. These two dc-dc converters are DAB Converter and CLLC resonant Converter which are mostly used to design electric vehicle charging scheme. This dc -dc converter interlinks the dc link voltage and energy storage unit like Battery. The chosen battery is Lithium-ion type and has following ratings:

- 1) Battery Energy : 100 kwh
- 2) Battery voltage: 350 volts
- 3) Battery capacity: 286 Ahr

II. CONTRIBUTION AND ORGANISATION OF PAPER

This paper discusses the DAFB and CLLC converters used in charging system of EV which is bidirectional in nature. It also gives a approach to working and control scheme applied to the DAFB. The suggested DAFB and CLLC model, as well as its control approaches, are developed and evaluated in Matlab/Simulink for both G2V and V2G operations. This paper is structured in following way: Section 3 presents an overview of Synchronous reference frame theory and it's implementation; Section 4 tells about the DAB converter approach; Section 5 explains about CLLC resonant converter; Section 6 is about the simulation and experimental results; finally, Section 7 will arrive at conclusion.

III. SYNCHRONOUS REFERENCE FRAME

SRF is based on the dq frame, which is a time domain approach generated from a three-phase system's spatial vector transformation. The Park transformation is used to convert a three-phase coordinate system of currents to a two-phase Cartesian coordinate system that spins at a particular velocity, based on the SRF fundamental dq frame theory. Current harmonics with an angular frequency equal to the rotation speed of the dq frame cause a DC component. Because of current harmonics with an angular frequency, DQ AC components are different from the rotation speed of the frame. [5] The voltage-directed technique is based on a series of transformations from ABC, a three-phase quiescent coordinate system, to dq, a synchronous rotating coordinate system, via ABC, a two-phase quiescent coordinate system. The control voltage remains constant and becomes DC as a result of these conversions, making the entire control process easier.[4] The theoretical aspects of VOC technology used in grid tie rectifiers are explained in detail. The PWM scheme is collaborate with the control strategy used to make sure that the characteristics of the VOC control system changes. The effect of noise also minimized. Changes in switching frequency is the main cause to the resulting power switching stress and loss. For reducing this you will need an input filter with high quality parameters. To reduce harmonic problems, the stated scheme applies VOC principles to get control over the charging process while maintaining less harmonic distortion in the circuitb by using the conversion technology, the control variable on the AC side becomes a DC signal. Also steady-state errors can be terminated with the help of corresponding proportional integral (PI) controller. [7]

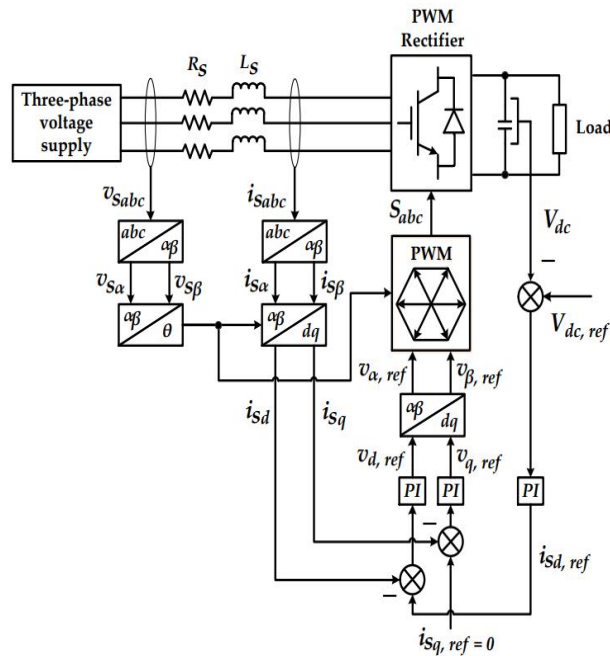


Fig.1 control scheme to maintain DC-link voltage constant

$$v_{d,ref} = K_p(i_{d,ref} - i_{sd}) + K_i \int (i_{d,ref} - i_{sd}) dt$$

$$v_{q,ref} = K_p(i_{sq,ref} - i_{sq}) + K_i \int (i_{sq,ref} - i_{sq}) dt$$

where K_p and K_i are the PI controller gains, i_{sd} and i_{sq} are the dq0 domain currents and $i_{sd,ref}$ and $i_{sq,ref}$ are the reference signals for i_{sd} and i_{sq} respectively. After obtaining the reference voltage $v_{d,ref}$ and $v_{q,ref}$ the inverse Park transformation applied along with the PWM switching technique to obtain the gate switching pulses for S_{abc} (three phase reference voltage), which in charge of the VOC rectifier's operation. The total shift that is currently going place are shown in Figure 1.

A. Proposed Design Of Srf Controller

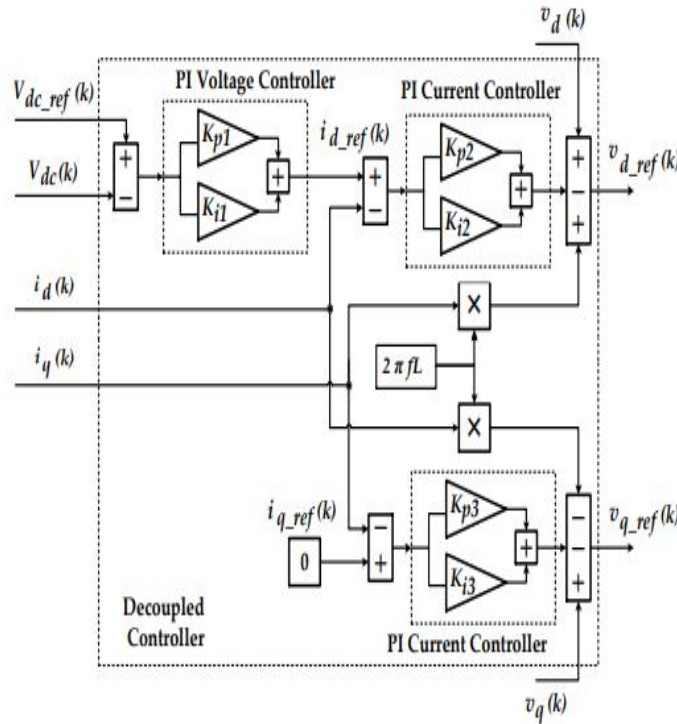


Fig. 2 Internal design of SRF control

In this control process must first convert the three-phase AC power into an alpha-beta component of voltage and currents. After that, the separated active and reactive components are regulated to reduce the difference between the required reference and measured active and reactive component values. In general, a DC link voltage control PI strategy is used to tune the active current component I_d in order to achieve active power flow balance in the system. On the other hand, the invalid power factor i_q is adjusted to 0 to guarantee the operation of power factor 1.

The outputs of the isolated controller are V_d and V_q . To reduce error PI controller is used. The integral operation terminates the error only when we have constant steady-state reference value. By using the Clark and Park conversion method, obtained currents are converted to DC magnitude. Then you can get good results with a simple PI controller. The error is calculated by comparing the reference signal to the observed system output and applying error to the PI controller we will be generating output signal. A PI controller's sole purpose is to calculate the desired DC link voltage by comparing the instantaneous and reference voltages. The DC link voltage is then used to calculate the reference current I_d , which is needed to keep the DC voltage constant. Making the current I_d equal to zero yields the power factor equal to 1. AS I_d becomes zero, the reactive power goes to zero and unity power factor is obtained. Current control is performed to get the reference current in the system. The resulting reference voltage current control is calculated by the d-q axis method. The control scheme two PI control loops are simulated with first is for i_d and second is for i_q component. The outputs from the two PI controller, are v_d^* and v_q^* .

$$v_d^* = V_d - k_p \epsilon_d - k_i \int \epsilon_d dt + w_{id} i_d$$

$$v_q^* = E_q - k_p \epsilon_q - k_i \int \epsilon_q dt + w_{iq} i_q$$

Error which should be given to the controller is achieved as follows:

$$\epsilon = v_{d_ref} - v_d$$

By using PI controller the current reference for system as i_d^* can be obtained as follows:

$$i_d^* = k_p \cdot \epsilon + k_i \int \epsilon / s$$

IV. BIDIRECTIONAL DAB CONVERTERS

In figure the schematic of Dual Active Bridge converter is shown. Two complete bridges are used in the circuit, which are isolated using a high frequency transformer and also has tank circuit. This high frequency transformers gives the required separation between EVs and the power grid and between EV's in the charging infrastructure that can charge multiple vehicles at the same time. Inductance and semiconductor drive are used to transfer the required power. This inductance can be matched with the corresponding leakage inductance of the transformer in high frequency systems. The DAB is a bidirectional isolated DC-DC converter that can buck and boost. It's especially well-suited to controlling high power conversion efficiency and voltage management throughout a broad range of input and output voltage changes.

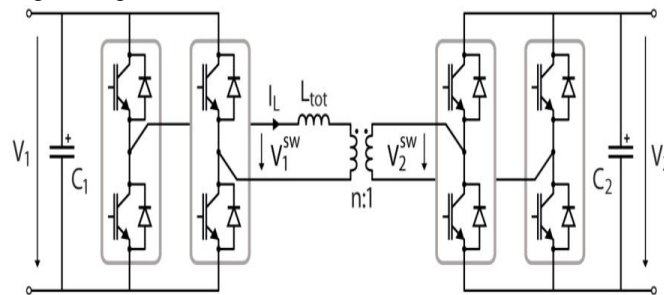
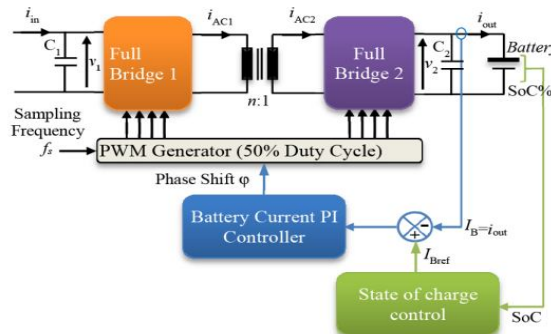


Fig.3. DAB converter switching Circuit

The DAB's H bridge operates to get voltage square waves of high frequency at the terminals of the transformer. The H bridge has two sides, one of which is a DC/AC converter and the other is an AC/DC converter. The flow of electricity from the converter is controlled by altering the phase shift (Φ) between the two square waves. Power is always transferred from the bridge that generates the leading square wave to the other bridge. By adapting the phase shift, the power flow occurs from V1 to V2 and vice versa. In this application, DAB operates in power control mode. The DAB's output voltage is always kept at the reference level even if the output current and the input voltage (V_1) fluctuate. A constant output voltage (V_2) is given as an input to the DC-DC converter.



Following are the parameters chosen while designing the DAB converter and same parameters are used while simulation and all results are respective to these parameters only.

| Parameters | Values |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Nominal Power | $50 \text{ e}^3 \text{ VA}$ |
| Nominal Frequency | $20 \text{ e}^3 \text{ Hz}$ |
| Magnetization Inductance | $1.76 \text{ e}^{-3} \text{ H}$ |
| Magnetization Resistance | $10 \text{ e}^3 \text{ OHM}$ |
| V1(Vrms) | 300 V |
| R1 | $4.35 \text{ e}^{-3} \text{ ohm}$ |
| L1 | $3.32 \text{ e}^{-6} \text{ H}$ |
| Input capacitor | $7 \text{ e}^{-3} \text{ F}$ |
| Output capacitor | $22 \text{ e}^{-3} \text{ F}$ |

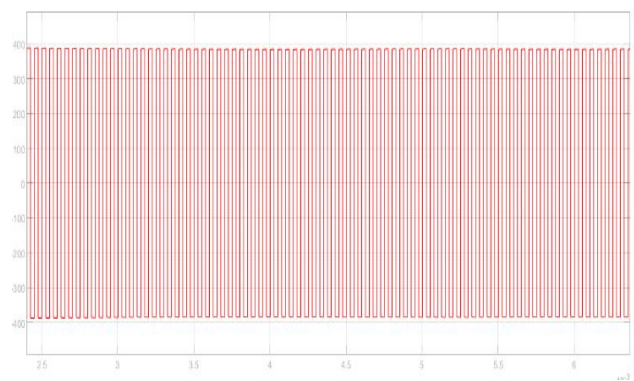


FIG. A WAVEFORM AT PRIMARY SIDE OF DAB

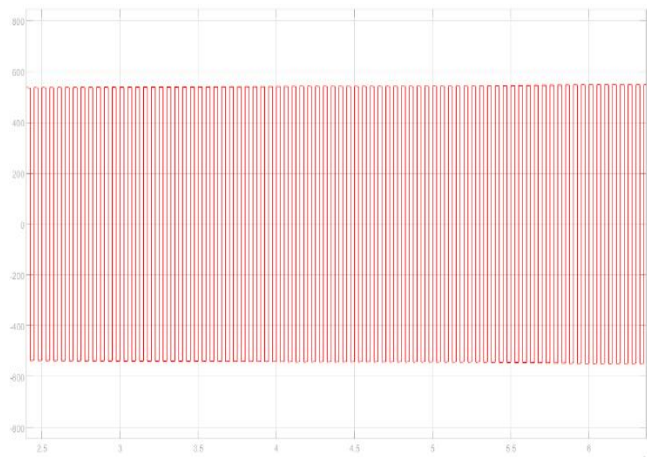


FIG. B WAVEFORM AT SECONDARY SIDE OF DAB

V. BIDIRECTIONAL CLLC CONVERTER

So this is basically a CLLC resonant converter looks like.

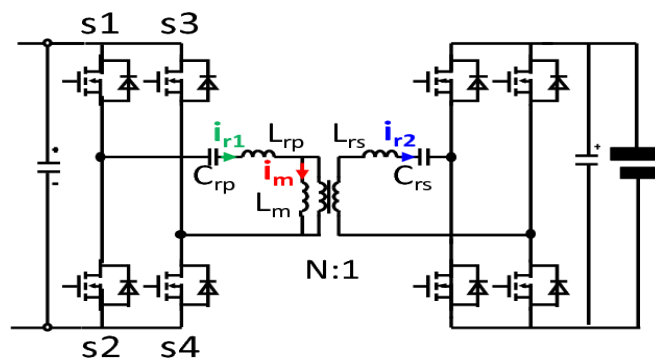


Fig.4.CLLC converter switching Circuit

It is equipped with a symmetrical full-bridge structure. On primary side which is basically inverting stage it has symmetrical high-frequency transformer and on the secondary it is rectification stage. On primary side as it is inverting stage power conversion from AC to DC takes place and then transferred to secondary via transformer. With this transformer, between the primary and secondary sides galvanic isolation for converters is simple to accomplish. The transformer's magnetization inductance is L_m and a transformer turns ratio of 1: 1.

The resonant inductors L_{rp} and L_{rs} obtained by combining the leakage inductances of the transformer's primary and secondary windings. Automatic flux equilibrium obtained with the help of resonant capacitors C_{rp} and C_{rs} and high resonant frequency with the help of L_{rp} and L_{rs} .

Following are the parameters chosen while designing the CLLC converter and same parameters are used while simulation and all results are respective to these parameters only.

$$L_{rp} \leq \frac{t_{d0}}{15 \cdot C \cdot F_s}$$

$$F_{sr} = \frac{1}{2\pi \sqrt{L_s \cdot C_s}}$$

| | |
|------------------|------------|
| C_{rp} | 7.3e-9 F |
| L_{rp} | 120.2e-6 H |
| C_{rs} | 16.4e-9 F |
| L_{rs} | 53.4e-6 H |
| L_{m} | 480.8e-6 H |
| Input capacitor | 7e-3 F |
| Output capacitor | 22e-3 F |

A. Operation principle of CLLC

It has following operating stages: [1] Resonance stage

[2] Non resonance or discontinuous [3] Dead time of capacitor charge/discharge stage [4] Dead time with diode freewheeling stage

- 1) *Resonance Stage:* On the primary side, when the switches S1 and S4 are on, the resonant current i_L increases in a sine wave form via s1 and s4, and the chopping voltage V_{in} increases. Power is transferred from the primary side to the load at the same time. Also the output voltage clamps the L_m which is in parallel with the transformer, so it behaves as a passive load and stays away from resonance. During this phase, the current flowing through the magnetization inductance i_{Lm} grows in a triangle and becomes smaller than i_{Ls} . Due to the voltages on the secondary side of the transformer, the diodes of switches S5 and S8 become biased in the forward direction, allowing current to flow from the rectifier bridge to the output battery. The i_{Lm} meets the resonant current i_{Ls} at the end of this stage.
- 2) *Non Resonance or Discontinuous Mode:* During this the inductance current i_{Lm} starts decreasing and at some point of time it equals to value of i_{Ls} , and net current which flows through the transformer becomes zero and on the secondary side also rectifier current comes to zero. Magnetized inductors, along with series capacitors and series inductors, predict resonance. The C_{s2} on the secondary side reaches its peak and does not change because the rectified current is zero there. In the zero current switching mode, the diodes of the switches S5 and S8 are switched off. This stage is called discontinuous operation because the rectifier current is no longer continuous. During this time, no power transfer will be transferred from primary to secondary sides.
- 3) *Dead time Capacitor Charging/discharging Stage:* The switches S1 and S4 are conducting throughout this operation stage, and the parasitic capacitors are entirely depleted. After a while, the switches S1 and S4 are turned off, and i_{Ls} remains constant in terms of flow direction. As a result, the parasitic capacitors of S1 and S4 begin to charge, while the parasitic capacitors of S2 and S3 begin to discharge at the same time. Because the parasitic capacitor has a lower rating than the series capacitor C_s , the charging/discharging time is excessively short in comparison to the full switching cycle.
- 4) *Dead time with Diode Freewheeling Stage:* During this stage, the parasitic capacitors of switches S1 and S4 are fully charged, while those of switches S2 and S3 are fully discharged, and the resonant current begins to pass through the antiparallel diodes of switches S2 and S3, ensuring zero voltage switching for the next stage's turn on events. In comparison to the complete switching cycle, this period is also far too short.

VI. SIMULATION RESULTS

The simulation work is done with the help of MATLAB/SIMULINK software. The graphs in the following section represents all the results obtained for different parameters at different stages and conditions of simulation. Battery, AC-DC converter, SRF controller, Bidirectional DC-DC DAB converter, and Bidirectional DC-DC CLLC Resonant converter are the key components of the simulation. All the results specified below are verified with the help of simulation.

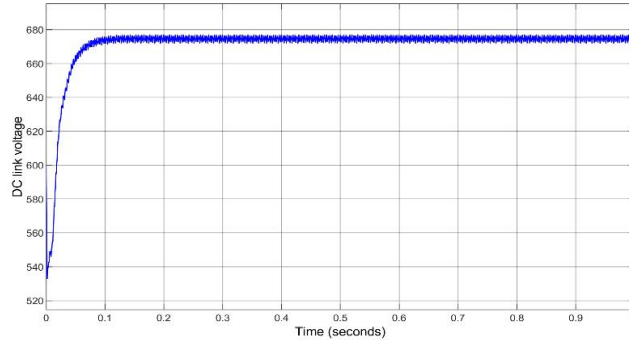


Fig1. DC Link Voltage

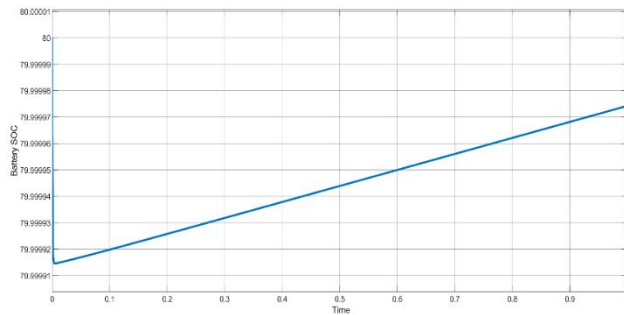


Fig2. Battery SOC during charging

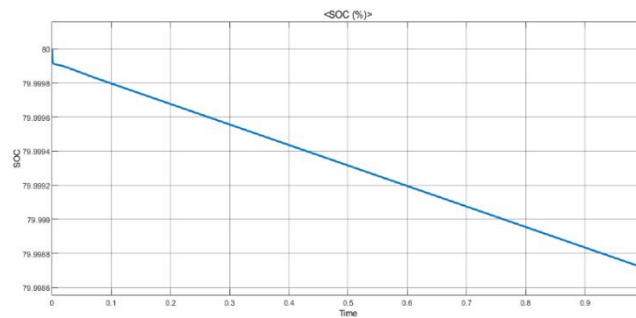


Fig3. Battery SOC during charging

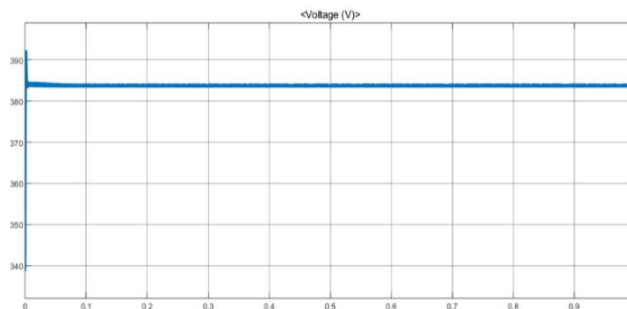


Fig4. Battery voltage

VII. CONCLUSION

This paper gives the detail information about synchronous reference frame concept. Then we saw that how we can implement this SRF concept along with PI controller to obtain a constant DC link voltage at the output of converter. In section IV we saw the waveform across both primary and secondary of dual active bridge converter which are pure square wave which means the proper working of converter and power transfer is achieved. In further stages, this paper also gives detail idea about working and implementation of DAB and CLLC converter. After simulating, we got the results in terms of SOC of battery during charging and discharging. As we can see in the section VI fig 2 during charging operation the SOC of battery is increasing as battery start charging and during discharging the battery SOC starts decreasing. Also we got the constant battery voltage which is almost near about the battery voltage.

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