

Single Stage Boost Integrated High-Frequency Full Bridge Inverter for Induction Heating System

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Abstract

This paper proposes a new single-stage boost high frequency ac series resonant power inverter for high frequency induction heating (IH) applications. The proposed ac-ac converter consist of a single stage boost (SSB) converter and full-bridge ac series resonant inverter integrated circuit with a ac source voltage control strategy by controlling the inverter switches. The Simulink model is developed using MATLAB simulation software and the simulated results are examined. The output power is maintained to the required level by using phase shift control strategy and the simulated results are validated.

Index Terms: Phase-shift control, Single stage boost inverter, and induction heating.

1. Introduction

Nowadays high frequency induction heating (IH) has been used in most of the industrial application such as hardening, bracing heating treatment etc. The merits of induction heating is the capability of partial heating, fast and efficient response for load power variations an so on. [1] The process of power conversion from low frequency ac to the high-frequency ac the ac series resonant inverter is used which is commonly used inverter topology for induction heating application. Fig. 1. shows a commonly used process stages diagram. In that process contains generally three parts has to use which consists of diode bridge rectifier for converting the ac supply in to the dc supply, a boost converter which is for boosting the input voltage to the required level, and a high frequency series resonant inverter which produces the ac supply by converting the given dc with required frequency. Since for improving the efficiency of the inverter and also reducing the components cost of the circuit, a single-stage boost (SSB) Integrated Inverter have been proposed [2]-[6]. In the proposed paper, instead of a full-bridge diode rectifier and a separate boost converter and inverter circuit a single stage boost-inverter-integrated circuit is developed, which ensures the boost operation and inverter operation whose operating frequency is as resonant frequency and also ensures the reduction in the conduction losses in the circuit by avoiding the diodes in the circuit [6].

A single stage boost full- bridge inverter is proposed in this paper. The proposed paper consists of ac-boost-ac converter in which boost operation in a single stage and series full-bridge inverter-integrated system by sustaining the advantages of diode rectifier as a SSB power doubling process.

And also the required voltage as well as power level is maintained by using Phase Shift Control strategy, which ensures the simple power control operation of the SSB. Fig. 2. shows the integrated SSB-inverter scheme.

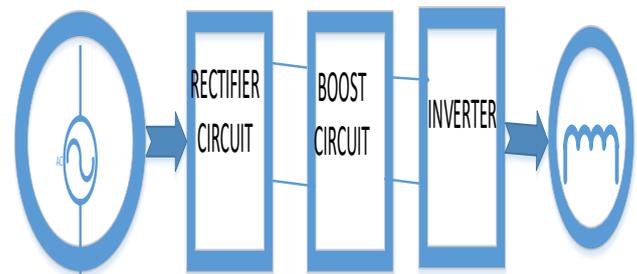


Fig. 1: Conventional Power conversion process stages

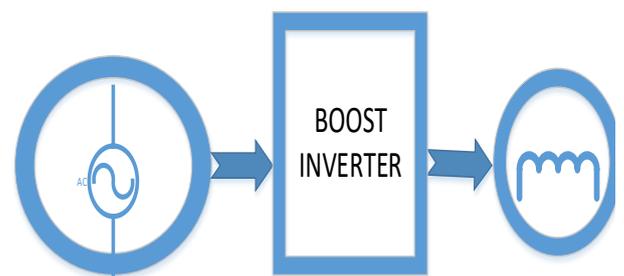


Fig. 2: Single-Stage Power conversion process stages

In this paper, a simulation of the proposed circuit is developed and the results are examined. The organization of the paper the circuit configuration along with the phase-shift power control of the SSB-integrated inverter are explained, and further the principle of operation of the proposed circuit is also explained.

2. Principle and Operation of Proposed Circuit

A. Control Strategy

The proposed single stage boost (SSB)-integrated inverter circuit is described in Fig. 3. The AC voltage input v_{in} is converted into DC by using the diodes D_5 and D_6 , then the voltage is boosted by the inductor L_b . The two switches leading $S_1 - S_2$ is the fixed leg and the two switches lagging $S_3 - S_4$ operates as the control leg. The snubber capacitors $C_{S1} - C_{S4}$ connected across the corresponding switch $S_1 - S_4$ which is not shown for simplicity. $S_1 - S_4$ along with the load inductance L_o of the IH. The low-pass filter consists of L_f and C_f avoids switching-frequency component of i_{in} .

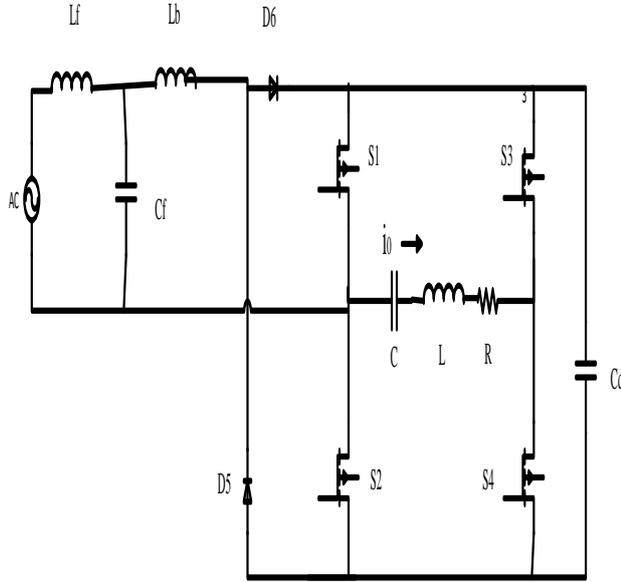


Fig. 3: Single Stage Boost-Integrated Inverter converter

The output voltage v_o , output current i_o and instantaneous output power p_o is controlled and detected by the SSB full bridge inverter and the control circuit can be expressed by equations are given below.

$$v_o = \sqrt{2}V_{0r} \sin \omega_r t + \sqrt{2}V_{0s1} \sin \omega_{h1} t + \sum_{n=3,5,\dots} \sqrt{2}V_{0sn} \sin \omega_{sn} t \quad (1)$$

$$i_o = \sqrt{2}I_{0r} \sin \omega_r t + \sqrt{2}I_{0s1} \sin \omega_{h1} t + \sum_{n=3,5,\dots} \sqrt{2}I_{0sn} \sin \omega_{sn} t \quad (2)$$

$$P_o = V_{0r} I_{0r} \cos \theta_r - \sin(2\omega_r t - \theta_r) + V_{0s1} I_{0s1} \cos \theta_{s1} \sin(2\omega_{s1} t - \theta_{s1}) + \sum_{n=3,5,\dots} V_{0sn} I_{0sn} \cos \theta_{sn} - \sin(2\omega_{sn} t - \theta_{sn}) \quad (3)$$

$$P_o = V_{0r} I_{0r} \cos \theta_r + V_{0s1} I_{0s1} \cos \theta_{s1} + \sum_{n=3,5,\dots} V_{0sn} I_{0sn} \cos \theta_{sn} \quad (4)$$

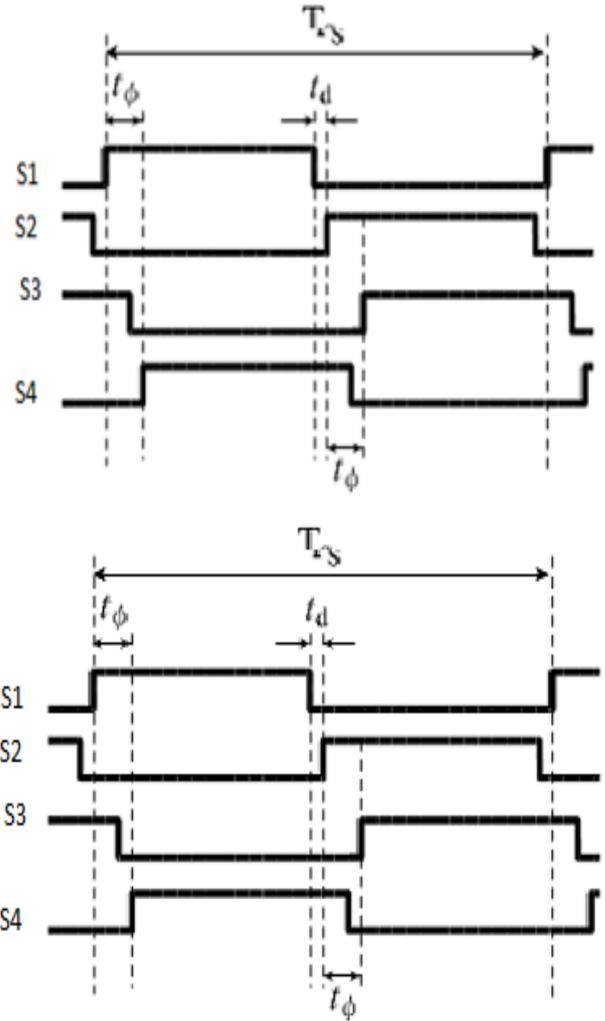


Fig. 4: Switching pulse pattern of phase shift control technique

Where the load switching frequency is $\omega_u = 2\pi f_u$, $\omega_{h1} = 2\pi f_s$, and phase angles is $\omega_{hn} = n \cdot \omega_h$. The power of the load is expressed in equation (4).

For switch S_1 and S_4 similarly S_2 and S_3 is controlled by the phase shift of t_ϕ time interval with the polarity of the supplied voltage and the phase shift time is expressed by equation (5)

$$t_\phi = \frac{\phi}{360^\circ} T_s \quad (5)$$

Where Time taken for one cycle is T_s . The output voltage as well as the current is controlled by the phase-shift control. The output RMS voltage V_{0s1} and the output RMS current I_{0s1} are expressed in equation (6) and (7) respectively.

$$V_{0s1} = \frac{2\sqrt{2}V_{in}}{\pi} \cos \phi, \quad I_{0s1} = \frac{V_{0s1}}{Z_0} \quad (6)$$

$$Z_0 = \sqrt{R_0^2 + X_0^2} \quad X_0 = \omega_s L_0 - \frac{1}{\omega_s C_0} \quad (7)$$

Equation (7) shows the load impedance of the circuit

B. Operation Principle

Fig. 5. Shows the gate switching sequence, output voltage and output current waveforms together of the SSB converter for a high switching frequency cycles. And also the transitions mode for the proposed circuit and also for one switching cycle are shown in Fig. 6 (a)

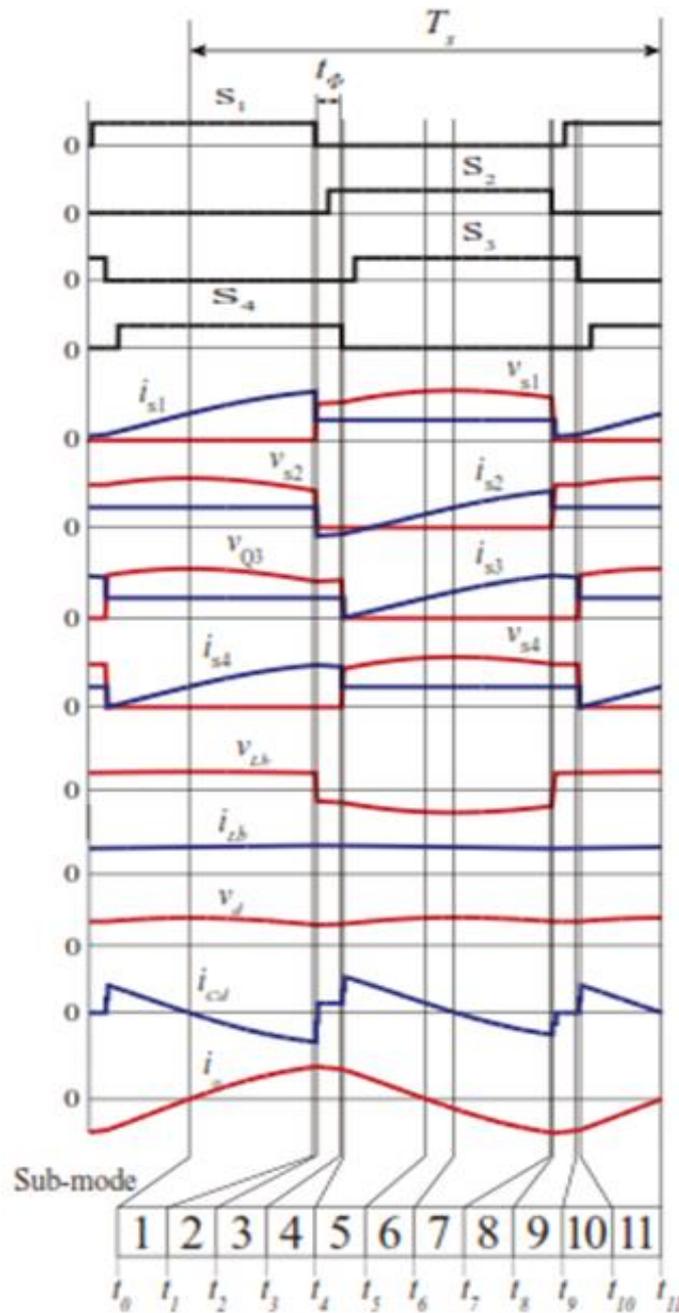


Fig. 5: Switching Transition Modes

Mode 1: ($t_0 \leq t < t_1$) In this mode Capacitor C_d discharges during this interval of time. The switches S_1 and S_4 are ON, and the current i_o flows through the source to load.

Mode 2: ($t_1 \leq t < t_2$) the switch S_1 is turned off at t_1 , and the snubbing capacitors C_{s1} , C_{s2} and load inductance L_o make the resonance condition on the circuit

Mode 3: ($t_2 \leq t < t_3$) In this mode v_{s1} attains v_d at time period t_2 , and switch S_1 is commutated and the ZVS turn-off achieved.

Mode 4: ($t_3 \leq t < t_4$) In this mode the switch S_4 is OFF at t_3 time period, IH load inductance L_o and the snubbing capacitors C_{s3} , C_{s4} make the resonance condition.

Mode 5: ($t_4 \leq t < t_5$) In this mode v_{s4} attains v_d at time period t_4 , S_4 is OFF.

Mode 6: ($t_5 \leq t < t_6$) In this mode due to resonance condition the output current i_o changes such that it reverses its polarity at time period t_5

Mode 7: ($t_6 \leq t < t_7$) In this mode the boost inductor L_b de-energises capacitor C_d also starts discharging immediately.

Mode 8: ($t_7 \leq t < t_8$) In this mode the switch S_2 is off at time t_7 ,

and load inductance L_o and the snubbing capacitors C_{s1} , C_{s2} and the IH make the resonance.

Mode 9: ($t_8 \leq t < t_9$) In this mode v_{s2} attains v_d at time period t_8 , and the S_2 is OFF. Same time, the voltage v_{s1} reaches zero voltage.

Mode 10: ($t_9 \leq t < t_{10}$) In this mode switch S_3 is turned off at the period t_9 , and load inductor L_o and the snubbing capacitors C_{s3} , C_{s4} make the partial resonance in the circuit.

Mode 11: ($t_{10} \leq t < t_{11}$) Voltage v_{s3} reaches v_d at t_{10} , and S_3 is turned OFF in this mode.

The output voltage across the load and the output current through the load in the SSB-integrated inverter topology are expressed as [6]

$$V_0, SSB = V_{c1} + V_{c0} = V_d + V_{c0} - V_{c2} \tag{8}$$

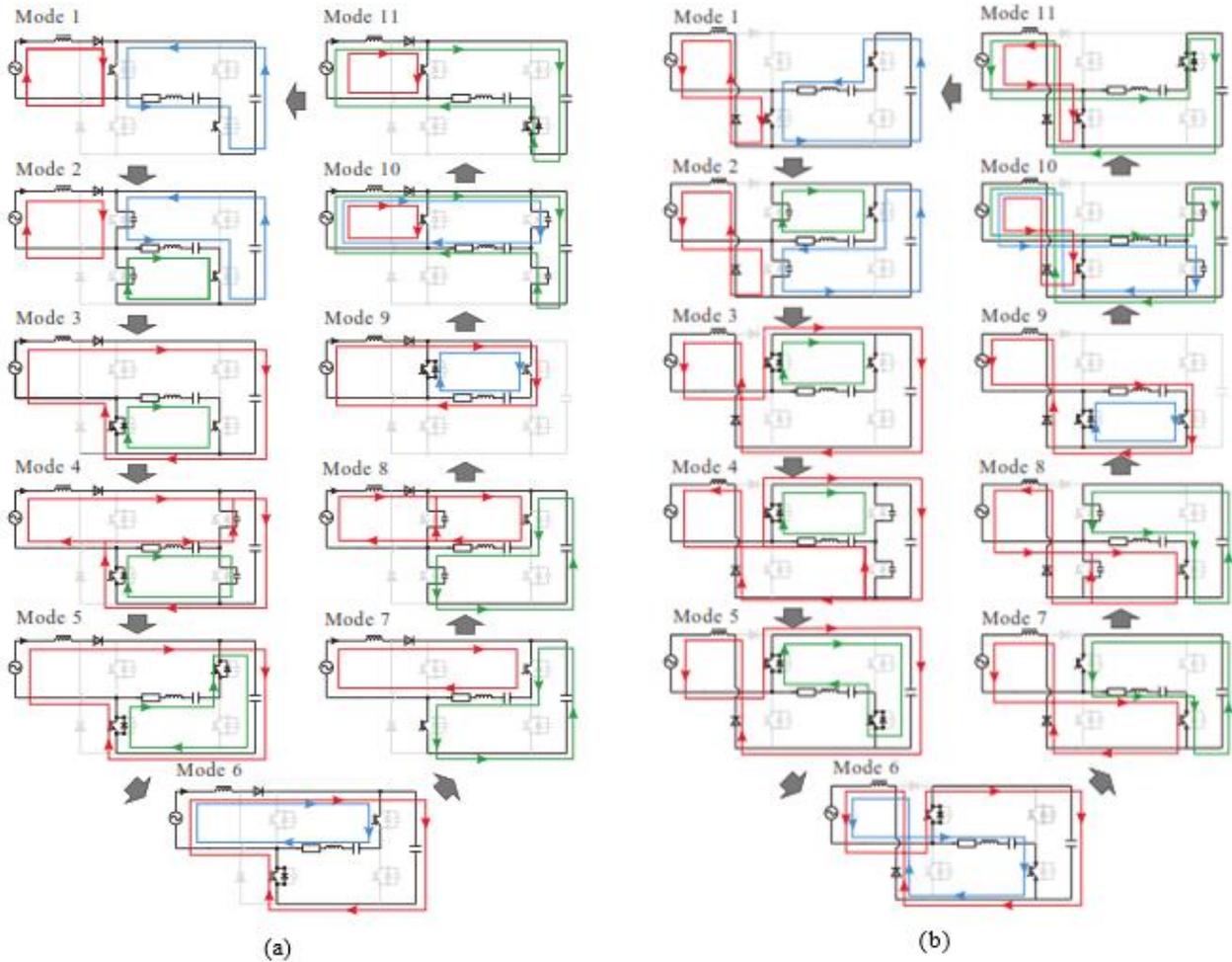


Fig. 6: (a) Positive polarity half cycle Switching Mode of operations

(b) Negative polarity half cycle switching mode of operations

$$i_{0, BHB}(t) = \frac{\omega_1^2 C_1 V_{c1}(0)}{\sqrt{\omega_1^2 - \alpha^2}} \varepsilon^{-\alpha t} \sin \gamma_1 t \quad (9)$$

$$\alpha = \frac{R_0}{2L_0}, \gamma_1 = \sqrt{\frac{1}{L_0 C_{r1}} - \left(\frac{R_0}{2L_0}\right)^2}, C_{r1} = \frac{C_0 C_1}{C_0 + C_1} \quad (10)$$

$$V_{0, BHB} = V_d + V_{c0} \quad (11)$$

$$i_{0, BHB}(t) = \frac{\omega_2^2 C_1 V_{c1}(0)}{\sqrt{\omega_2^2 - \alpha^2}} \varepsilon^{-\alpha t} \sin \gamma_2 t \quad (12)$$

$$\gamma_2 = \sqrt{\frac{1}{L_0 C_{r2}} - \left(\frac{R_0}{2L_0}\right)^2}, C_{r2} = \frac{C_0 C_1}{C_0 + C_1} \quad (13)$$

From those equations we can understand that the output voltage across the load and output current through the SSB-integrated inverter are much higher than the other topologies.. Therefore, the boost full bridge topology is effective and best suitable controlling topology.

The boost inductor voltage L_b is proposed in Fig. 6. (a) Since by taking the source voltage V_{in} as constant. L_b becomes zero voltage when the source is continuous.

$$V_d = 2V_{in} \quad (16)$$

3. Simulation Results for proposed circuit

To confirm the validity of the proposed Phase - Shift control technique the simulation study to be done. Table. 1. shows the parameter of proposed configuration of the induction heating system. The proposed Phase Shift control technique is simulated using MATLAB Simulink model in Fig. 7. the simulation results as follows. Fig. 8. shows the Phase - Shift Switching of S_1, S_2, S_3 and S_4 , Fig. 9. shows the Voltage across RL load. Fig. 10. shows the voltage across the RLC. Fig. 11. shows the output current through load RL.

Table 1: Parameter of Proposed Configuration

Item	Symbol	Value
Source voltage	VDC	50 V
Equivalent resistance of each load	R_{eq}	1.2 Ω
Equivalent inductance of Coil 1	L_1	24 μ H
Resonant capacitance of each load	C_r	300 μ F
Filter inductance	L_a	200 μ H
Boost inductance	L_b	500 μ H
Filter capacitance	C_f	750 μ F
Delay time in each leg	t_d	450 nsec
Resonant frequency of load circuit	f_r	20 kHz
Switching frequency of each leg	f_s	22 kHz

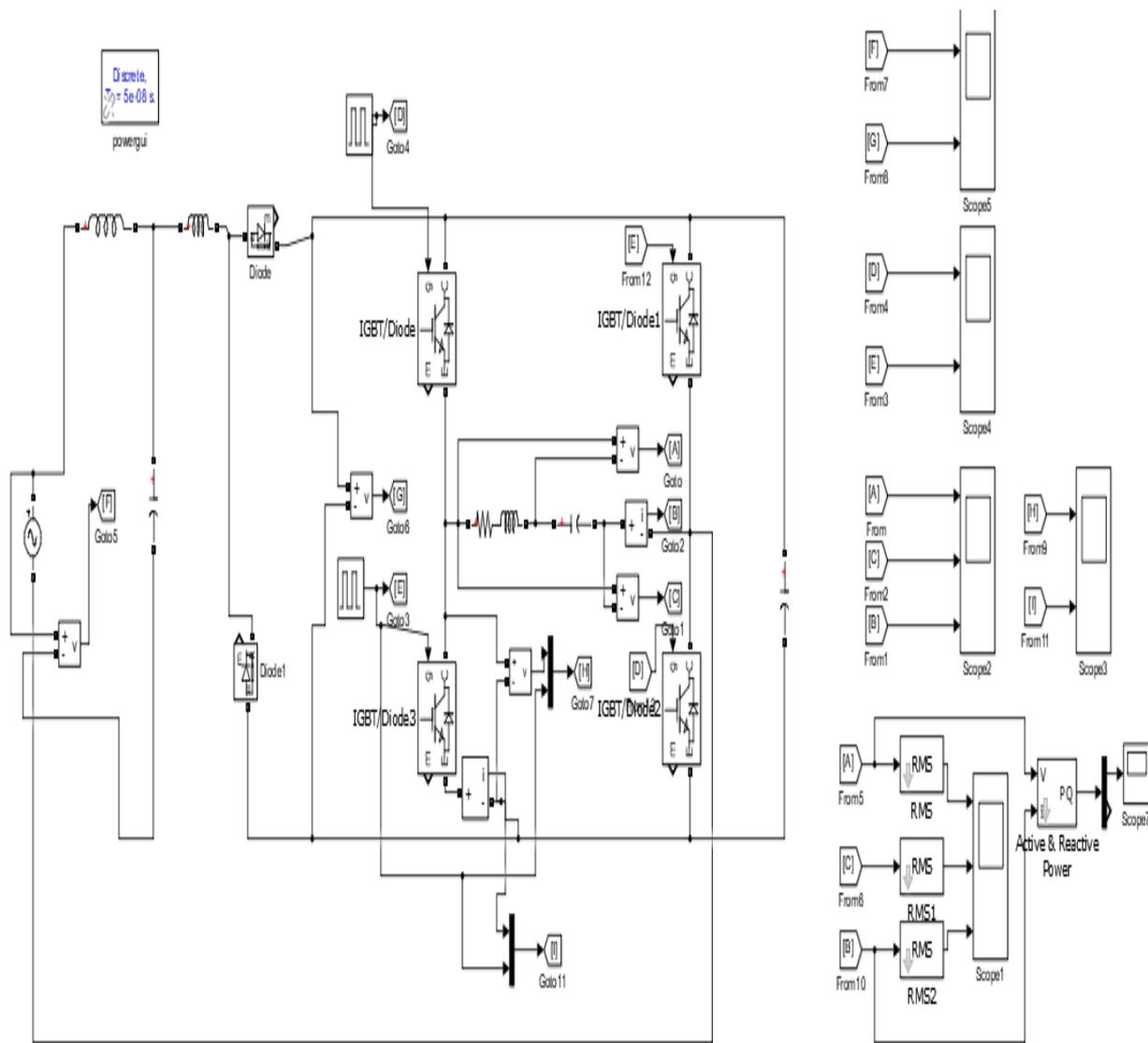


Fig. 7: Simulink Model of proposed Boost Series Full-Bridge High Frequency inverter

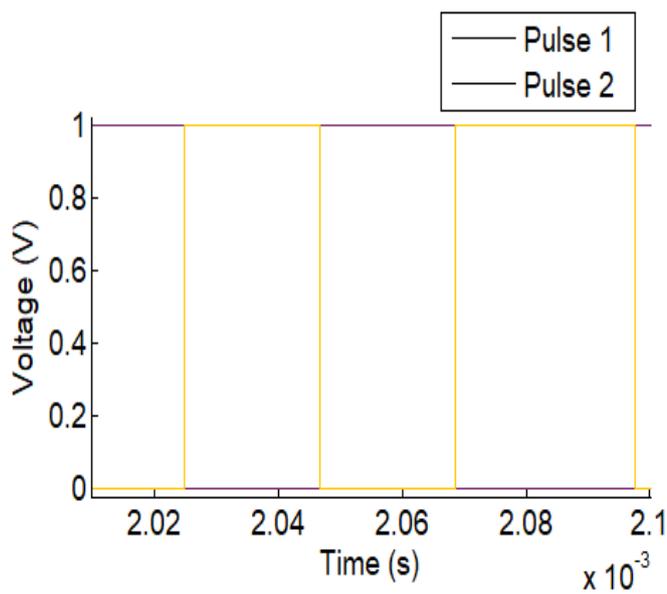


Fig. 8: Phase-Shift Switching of S_1 , S_2 , S_3 and S_4

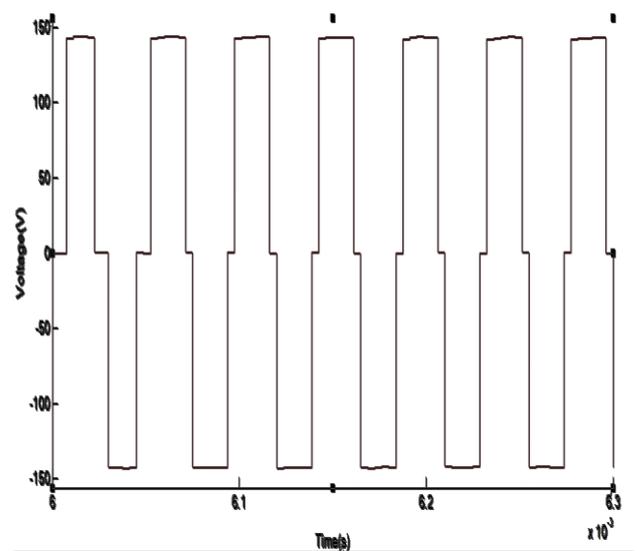


Fig. 9: Voltage across RL

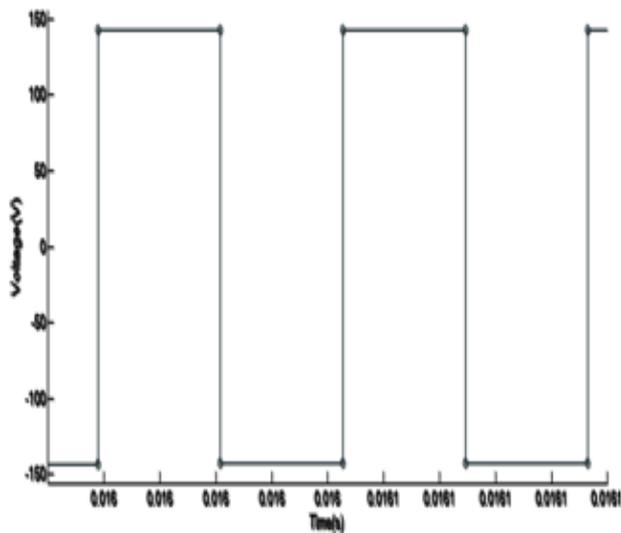


Fig. 10: Voltage across RLC

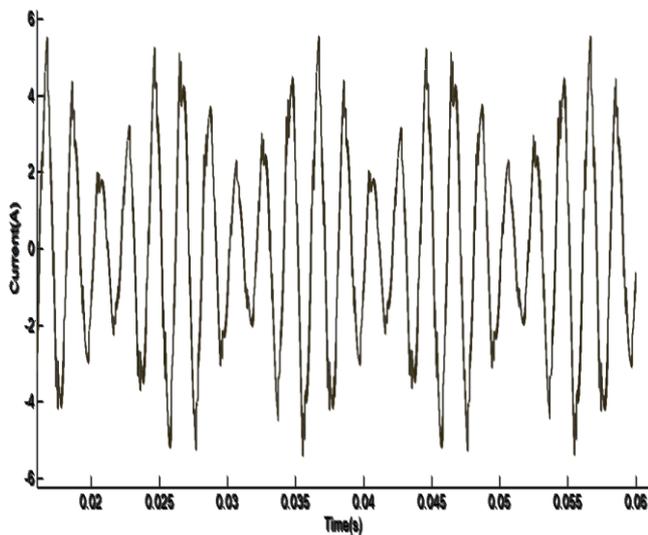


Fig. 11: Current through RL

It is noted that the phase-shift control technique controls the power by varying the phase shift angle the output also varies such that when α increases continuously the load voltage as well the current decreases proportionately.

4. Conclusion

The Phase – Shift controlled SSB-Integrated inverter has been proposed for the IH applications and its feasibility of operation by control circuit is developed using the Simulink – Matlab software and the simulated results has described and proven that by varying the phase shift angle the voltage across the load and current through the load varies proportionately.

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