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Lecture - 20 Shunt Active Power Filters

Welcome to the course on Power Quality. Today we will discuss this topic of Shunt Active Power Filters.

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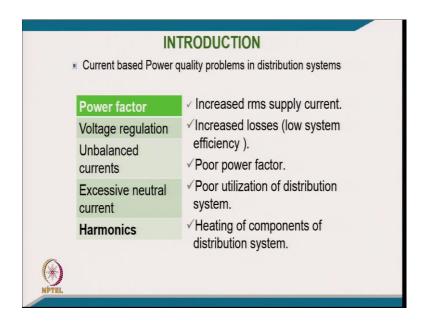
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Coming to the outline of presentation, we would like to cover introduction, state of art on shunt active filter, classification of shunt active filter, analysis and design of shunt active filter, principle of operation and control of shunt active filter and modeling, simulation and performance of shunt active filter, then numerical examples, summary and references.

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Current based power quality problems in distribution system are again highlighted here in this screenshot.

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Then the current based power quality problems result in derating of the distribution system, distortion and voltage waveform at the point of common coupling, interference to communication system disturbance to nearby consumers.

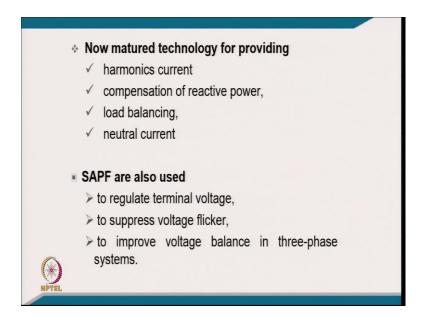
The complete solution to these problems is the Shunt Active Filter which will be discussed here in detail.

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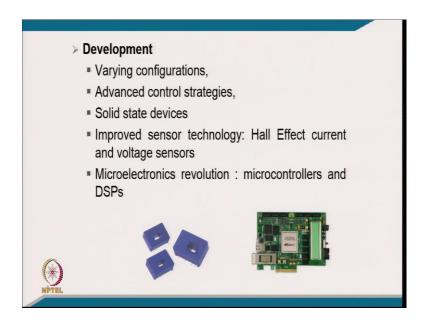
Shunt Active Power Filters are now matured technology used for providing harmonic current, compensation of reactive power, load balancing, and neutral current compensation.

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Also, the Shunt Active Power Filter is used to regulate the terminal voltage, to suppress the voltage flicker, and to improve the voltage balance in the 3-phase system.

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And of course, they are developed in varying configurations, have advanced control strategies, and utilize different solid-state devices. Improved sensor technology like Hall Effect current sensor and voltage sensor for giving a feedback signal is used for its control.

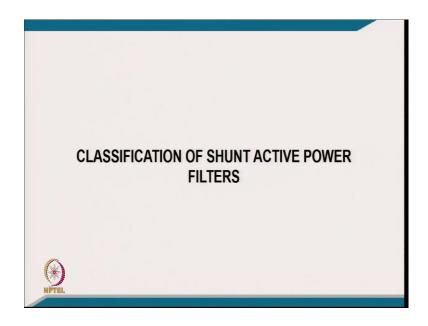
And then the microelectronics revolution has reduced the cost of microcontrollers and DSPs which have made it easier to implement the control for the Shunt Active Filters.

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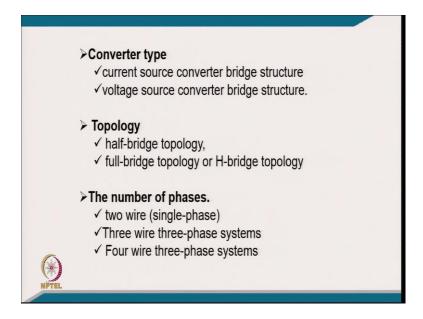
This is typically an industry made shunt active filter.

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Now coming to the classification of Shunt Active Power Filter.

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It is classified in the converter type as current source converter or voltage source converter. In the topology-wise classification, we can have a like a half-bridge topology and full-bridge topology or H-bridge topology.

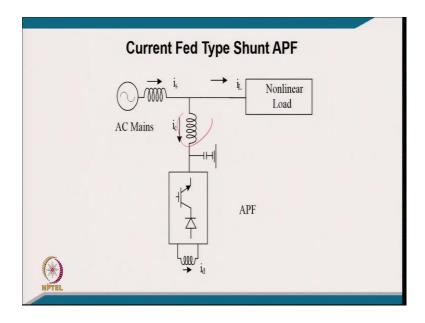
Then another classification in the on the number of phases. It can be two wire single phase system, three-wire three-phase system or four wire three-phase system.

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Now coming to the converter based classification.

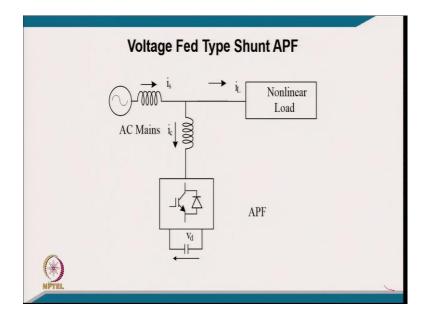
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We can have a current source converter for the shunt active filter. Additionally, we have the non-linear load and supply system with the source impedance.

This inductor is needed on the DC side. The drawback of this configurations is that the inductor is costly, bulky and noisy. While, designing the DC inductor is not so easy.

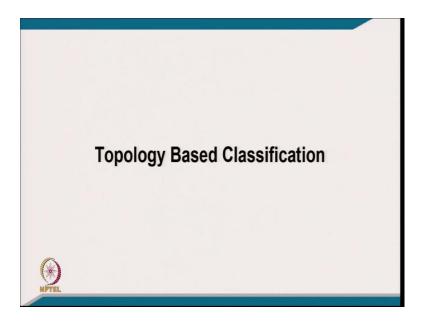
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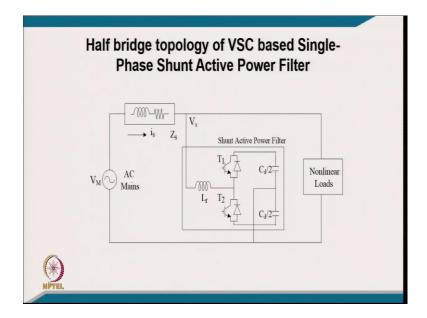
This is a shunt filter with a DC link capacitor. It is an electrolytic capacitor. This makes the voltage fed type shunt active power filter cheap, less losses, and small size.

Because of these reasons, voltage source converter based shunt filter are more popular.

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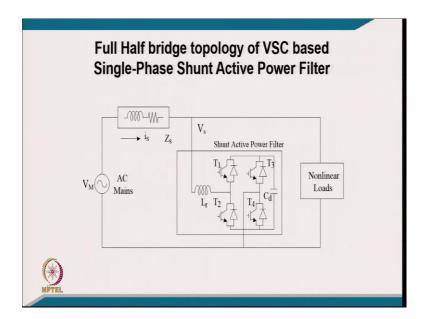


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Topology-based classification, we have a half-bridge for shunt active filter using voltage source converter. But the major drawback of this is that the current flow through the capacitor is large. Thus, size of the capacitor or value of capacitor is very high. It cannot be scaled for large rating.

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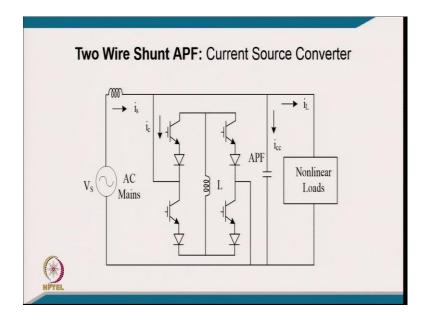


But this is the bridge structure with a capacitor filter. You can use it at higher rating. This bridge structure have a many benefit. You can use the unipolar switching.

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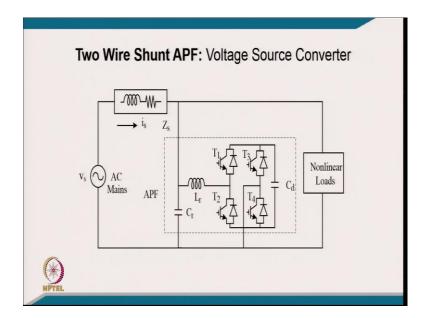


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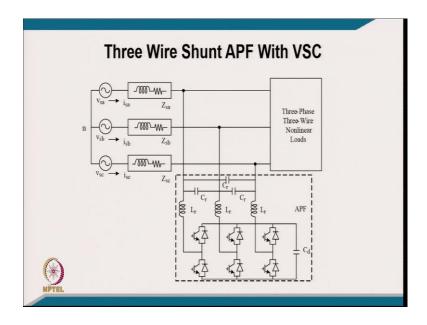


Coming to supply-based classification and supply based classification we have single phase two-wire systems, three-phase three wire systems and three phase four wire systems, and few other configurations which are presented in the screenshots underneath.

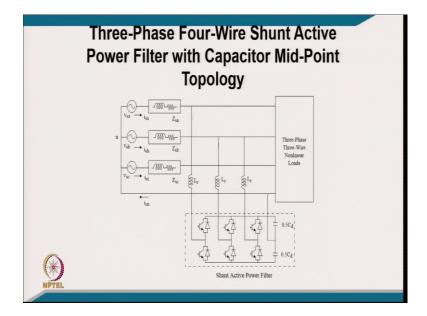
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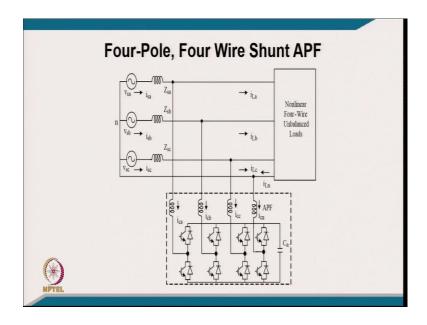
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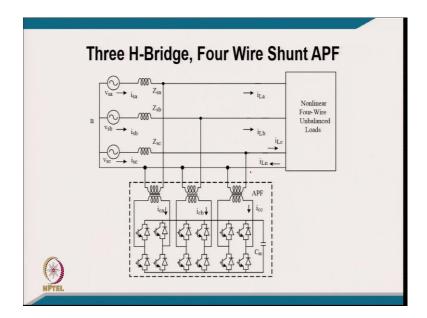
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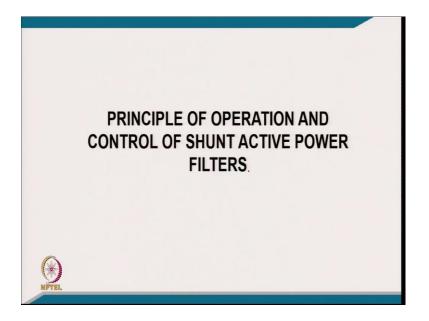
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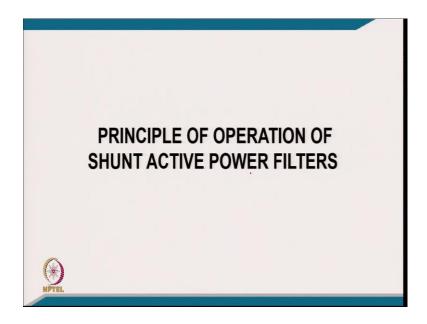


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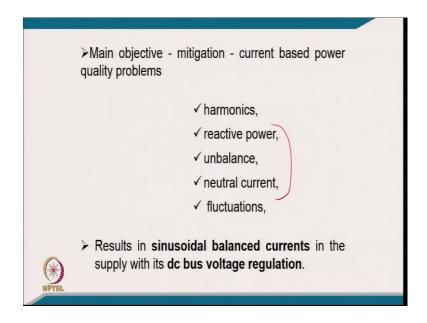


Now, coming to Principle of Operation and Control of the Shunt Active Filter.

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The main objective is mitigation of current based power quality problems like harmonics, reactive power requirement, unbalance current, and excessive neutral current.

However, KVA rating of the converter is undoubtedly increased to accommodate for all the functionalities.

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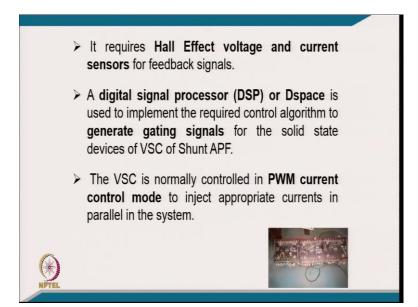
In general, a Shunt APF has a VSC connected to a dc bus and ac sides of it is connected in shunt normally connected across the consumer loads or across the PCC.

The VSC uses PWM control, therefore, it requires small ripple filters to mitigate switching ripples.



In general, a Shunt Active Power Filter has a voltage source converter connected to the dc bus and ac side of it is connected in shunt normally across the consumer load and across the PCC, point of common coupling voltage. The voltage source converter uses pulse width modulation control. Therefore, it requires a small ripple filter to mitigate the switching ripple.

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It also requires Hall effect voltage sensor and current sensor for the feedback signal for implementing the control algorithm in the DSP.

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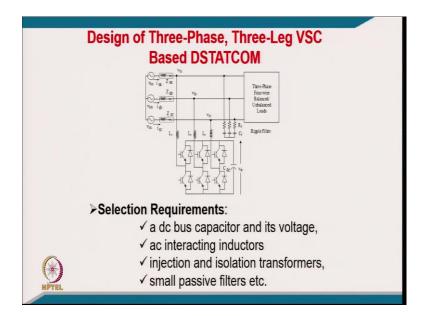
Other requirement is like a DC bus capacitor. To sustain the DC bus, you require interfacing inductors in between the supply voltage and the PWM voltage generated by the voltage source converter.

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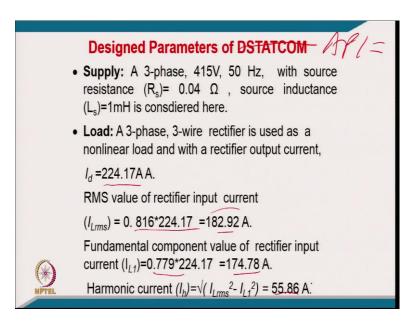


The below discussion and screenshots detail the design and analysis of the three phase three leg shunt active power filter.

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Rating of shunt APF, S= $3*V_f*I_f$ =3*239.6*55.86= 40.21*1.25 (25% Extra for dyanmics)= 50.19kVA

(Considering 50 kVA).

Shunt Active Filter (SAF) Rating S_f=50.19 kVA

SAF Voltage Rating V_f = 415 V

SAF Cuurent Rating I_f=69.825A

Allowable Voltage Ripple at DC link ΔV_{dc} = 5% of V_{dc}

Allowable Ripple in SAF Current Icr(p-p)



 $I_{cr(p-p)} = 10\% \text{ of } I_f = 6.983 \text{ A}$

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> Selection of DC Bus Voltage

$$V_{dc} = 2\sqrt{2}V_{LL}/(\sqrt{3} m)$$

$$V_{dc} = 2\sqrt{2} \times 415/(\sqrt{3} \times 1) = 677.692 V$$

- ➤ Here, *m* is the modulation index and is considered as 1
- ➤ Thus, V_{dc} is obtained as 677.69 V for a V_{LL} of 415 V AC distribution network.
- > Here, it is selected as 700 V.



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Selection of DC Bus Capacitor

$$0.5 \times C_{dc} \{ (V_{dc}^2) - (V_{dc1}^2) \} = k_1 3 V_f (aI_f) t$$

$$V_{dc1} = (1 - \Delta V_{dc}) \times V_{dc} = (1 - 0.05) \times 700 = 665 \text{ V}$$

$$0.5 \times C_{dc} (700^2 - 665^2) = 0.1 \times 3 \times 239.6 \times 1.2 \times 69.825 \times 0.03$$

$$(k_1 = 0.1, a=1.2, t = 30 \text{ ms})$$

$$C_{dc} = 7564 \ \mu F$$

ightharpoonup Here, $V_{
m dc}$ is the nominal DC voltage, $V_{
m dc1}$ is the minimum voltage level of the DC bus, a is the overloading factor, and t is the time by which the DC bus voltage is to be recovered.



 \triangleright The calculated value of C_{dc} is 7564 μF and it is selected as 7600 μF.

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➤ Selection of DC Bus Capacitor

$$C_{dc} = (I_0)/(2 \times w \times \Delta V_{dc})$$

$$I_0 = (S_f/V_{dc}) = 50.19 \times 10^3/700 = 71.7 A$$

$$\Delta V_{dc} = 0.05 \times V_{dc} = 35 V$$

$$C_{dc} = 71.7/(2 \times 2\pi \times 50 \times 35) = 3260.421 \,\mu\text{F}$$

- Frequency, and $v_{dc(pp)}$ is the ripple in capacitor voltage.
- $ightharpoonup C_{dc}$ is obtained as 3572.847 μF. Thus, the highest capacitance value (in both method) is chosen to be 7600 μF.



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> Selection of AC Inductor

$$L_r = (\sqrt{3}mV_{dc})/(12af_sI_{cr(p-p)})$$

$$L_r = (\sqrt{3} \times 1 \times 700)/(12 \times 1.2 \times 10000 \times 6.983)$$

$$(a = 1.2, f_s = 10 \text{ kHz}, I_{cr(p-p)} = 0.1 \times I_f = 6.983)$$

$$L_r = 1.206 \text{ mH}$$

- ➤ Here, *m* is the modulation index and *a* is the overloading factor.
- Considering $I_{\text{cr(p-p)}} = 10\%$, $f_{\text{s}} = 10$ kHz, m = 1, $V_{\text{dc}} = 700$ V (for $V_{\text{LL}} = 415$ V), and a = 1.2, the value of L_{r} is calculated to be 1.206 mH. Thus, the inductor of 1.5 mH is selected.



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> Selection of a Ripple Filter

To filter out the noise from the voltage at PCC

The time constant $R_tC_t \ll Ts$, considering $R_tC_t = Ts / 10$

 $\begin{aligned} &R_{\rm f} \ \text{is ripple filter resistance} \ , \\ &C_{\rm f} \ \text{is ripple filter capacitance}, \\ &T_{\rm s} \ \text{is switching time} \end{aligned}$

Ripple Filter Impendace

$$Z_f = \sqrt{(R_f)^2 + \{1/(w.C_f)\}^2}$$



Here, w is the frequency in rad/sec

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For fundamental frequency (f =50 Hz),

$$Z_f = \sqrt{(10)^2 + \left\{1/(2\pi \times 50 \times 5.5 \times 10^{-6})\right\}^2} = 578.832 \Omega$$

For switching frequency ($f_s = 1.8 \text{ kHz}$),

$$Z_f = \sqrt{(10)^2 + (1/(2\pi \times 10000 \times 5.5 \times 10^{-6}))^2} = 10.410 \Omega$$

 \triangleright Considering switching frequency (f_s) equal to 10 kHz, the ripple filter parameters are selected as R_f = 10 Ω and C_f = 5.5 μF.



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> Selection of a Ripple Filter

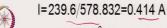
The impedance offered for switching frequency is 10.410 Ω and impedance offered to fundamental frequency is 578.83 Ω , which is sufficiently large and hence the ripple filter draws negligible fundamental frequency current.

Losses in Ripple Filter

Total Losses in Ripple Filter P_{Lf}=3×I²×R_f W

$$I=V_{\rm sp}/Z_{\rm f}$$

Losses at (50 Hz) ($Z_f = 578.832 \Omega$)



P_{Lf} =3×0.414²×10=5.14 W

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Selection of Voltage Rating of the Solid State Switches

$$V_{sw} = V_{dc} + V_{d}$$

Here, V_d is the 10% overshoot in the DC link voltage under dynamic condition.

$$V_{sw} = V_{dc} + V_d = V_{dc} + 0.1\% \text{ of } V_{dc}$$

 $V_{sw} = 700 + 70 = 770 \text{ V}$

> The voltage rating of the switch is calculated as 770 V.



➤ With an appropriate safety factor, 1200 V, IGBTs are selected for the VSC used in the DSTATCOM.

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Selection of Current Rating of the Solid State Switches

$$I_{sw} = 1.25(I_{cr(p-p)} + I_{f(p-p)})$$

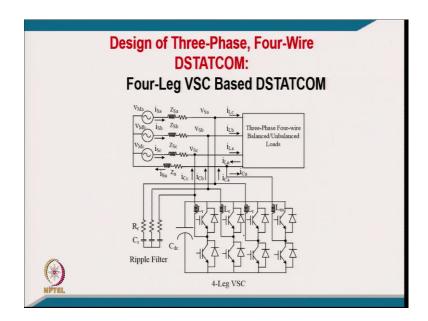
$$I_{cr(p-p)} = 0.1 \times I_{f} = 0.1 \times 69.83 = 6.983 \text{ A}$$

$$I_{f(p-p)} = \sqrt{2} \times I_{f} = \sqrt{2} \times 69.83 = 98.755$$

$$I_{sw} = 1.25(6.983 + 98.755) = 132.172 \text{ A}$$

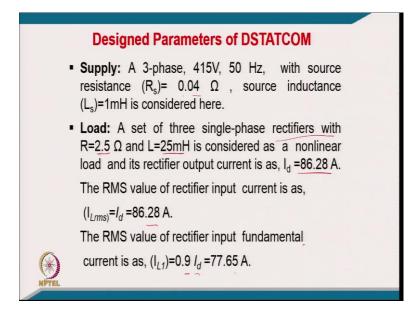
- The current rating of the switch is calculated as 132.172 A.
- Thus, a solid-state switch (IGBT) for the VSC is selected with the next available higher rating of 1200 V and 300 A

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The below discussion and screenshots detail the design and analysis of the three phase four leg shunt active power filter.

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Designed Parameters of DSTATCOM

The RMS value of harmonics current is as, $(I_h) = \sqrt{(I_{Lrms}^2 - I_{L_1}^2)} = 37.61 \text{ A}.$

The APF neutral current I_{fn} =- I_{Ln} =37.61 A (since it has to cancel total load neutral current).

The VA rating of the APF, S = $3V_f|_f + V_f|_{fin}$ = 36.096 kVA (since $V_f = V_s = 239.6 \text{ V}$).



The rating of shunt APF= 36.096*1.25 (25% Extra for dynamics) = 45.12 kVA (Consider 45 kVA).

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- ➤ Here, *m* is the modulation index and is considered as 1.
- > Thus, $V_{\rm dc}$ is obtained as 677.69 V for a $V_{\rm LL}$ of 415 V AC distribution network.
- > Here, it is selected as 700 V.



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Selection of DC Bus Capacitor

$$0.5 \times C_{dc} \{ (V_{dc}^2) - (V_{dc1}^2) \} = k_1 3 V_f (aI) t$$

$$V_{dc1} = (1 - \Delta V_{dc}) \times V_{dc} = (1 - 0.05) \times 700 = 665 \text{ V}$$

 $I = 1.25 \times I_r = 1.25 \times 37.61 = 47.013 \text{ A}$

(25% more than phase current of the VSC),

$$0.5 \times C_{dc} (700^2 - 665^2) = 0.1 \times 3 \times 239.6 \times 1.2 \times 47.013 \times 0.03$$

$$(k_1 = 0.1, a=1.2, t = 30 ms)$$

$$C_{dc} = 5092.76 \,\mu\text{F}$$



 \triangleright The calculated value of C_{dc} is 509.76 μF and it is selected as 5500 μF.

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> Selection of DC Bus Capacitor

$$C_{dc} = (I_0)/(2 \times w \times \Delta V_{dc})$$

$$I_0 = (S_f/V_{dc}) = 45 \times 10^3 / 700 = 64.286 A$$

$$\Delta V_{dc} = 0.05 \times V_{dc} = 35 \text{ V}$$

$$C_{dc} = 71.7/(2 \times 2\pi \times 50 \times 35) = 2923.254 \ \mu F$$

- Frequency, and $v_{dc(pp)}$ is the ripple in capacitor voltage.
- $ightharpoonup C_{dc}$ is obtained as 2923.254 μF. Thus, the highest capacitance value (in both method) is chosen to be 5500 μF.

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> Selection of AC Inductor (for Phase Leg)

$$L_r = \left(\sqrt{3}mV_{dc}\right) / (12af_sI_{cr(p-p)})$$

$$L_r = \left(\sqrt{3} \times 1 \times 700\right) / (12 \times 1.2 \times 10000 \times 3.761)$$

$$(a = 1.2, f_s = 10 \text{ kHz},$$

$$I_{cr(p-p)} = 0.1 \times I_f = 0.1 \times 37.61 = 3.761)$$

$$L_r = 2.239 \text{ mH}$$

➤ The value of L_r is calculated to be 2.239 mH. Thus, the inductor of 2.5 mH is selected.



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> Selection of AC Inductor (for Neutral Leg)

$$L_{m} = (mV_{dc})/(3\sqrt{3}.af_{s}I_{cm(p-p)})$$

$$L_{r} = (1\times700)/(3\sqrt{3}\times1.2\times10000\times3.761)$$

$$(a = 1.2, f_{s} = 10 \text{ kHz},$$

$$I_{cm(p-p)} = 0.1\times I_{fn} = 0.1\times37.61 = 3.761)$$

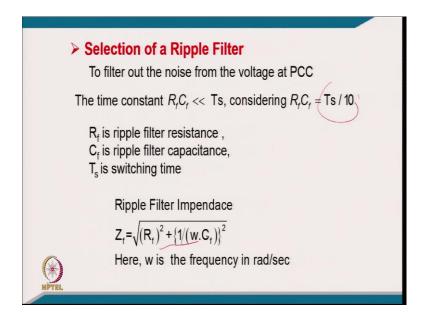
$$L_{r} = 2.985 \text{ mH}$$

 $> I_{crn(p-p)}$ is the allowable percentage ripple in filter neutral current (I_{fn}).

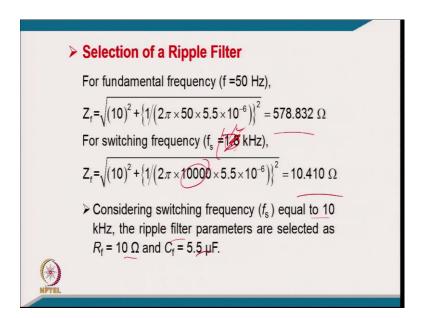


 \succ The value of $L_{\rm r}$ is calculated to be 2.985 mH. Thus, the inductor of 3 mH is selected.

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> Selection of a Ripple Filter

The impedance offered for switching frequency is 10.410– Ω and impedance offered to fundamental frequency is 578.83 Ω , which is sufficiently large and hence the ripple filter draws negligible fundamental frequency current.

> Losses in Ripple Filter

Total Losses in Ripple Filter P_{L_f} =3× I^2 × R_f W

$$I=V_{sp}/Z_f$$

Losses at (50 Hz) (Z_r=578.832 Ω)

I=239.6/578.832=0.414 A

P₁=3×0.414²×10=5.14 W



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Selection of Voltage Rating of the Solid State Switches

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With an appropriate safety factor, 1200 V, IGBTs are selected for the VSC used in the DSTATCOM. (Refer Slide Time: 25:18)

> Selection of Current Rating of the Solid State Switches

$$I_{sw} = 1.25(I_{cr(p-p)} + I_{f(p-p)})$$

$$I_{cr(p-p)} = 0.1 \times I_f = 0.1 \times 37.61 = 3.761 \text{ A}$$

$$I_{f(p-p)} = \sqrt{2} \times I_f = \sqrt{2} \times 37.61 = 53.189$$

$$I_{sw} = 1.25(3.761 + 53.189) = 71.188 \text{ A}$$

> The current rating of the switch is calculated as 71.188 A.

