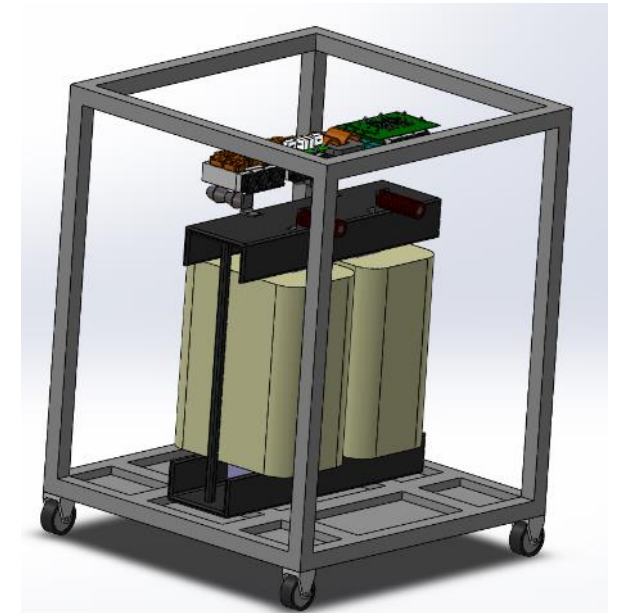


Modular Hybrid Solid State Transformer (H-SST) for Next Generation Flexible and Adaptable Large Power Transformer (LPT)



TRAC Program Review

US Department of Energy, Office of Electricity

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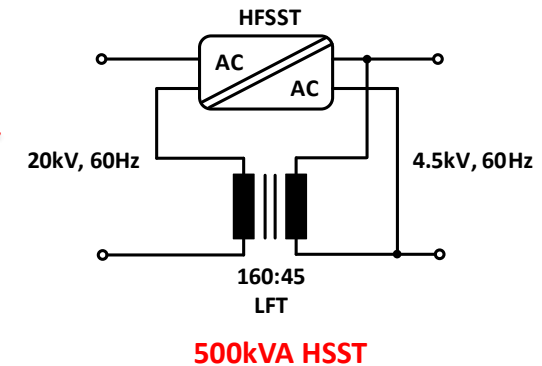
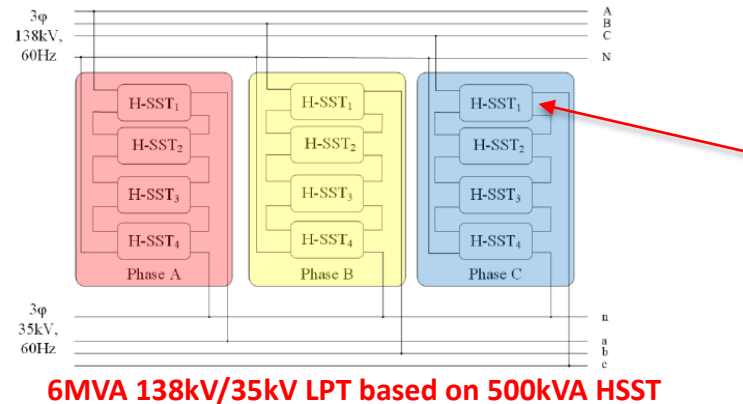
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Project Overview

- Project summary:
 - Develop and demonstrate a modular Hybrid Solid State Transformer (H-SST) for next generation Flexible and Adaptable large power transformer (LPT).
 - Demonstrate advanced control functions of the H-SST that is currently not available in traditional transformers.



- Total value of award (federal + cost share): \$2.16m(\$1.73m/\$433k)
- Period of performance: 3/18/2019-3/217/2021
- Project lead and partners



Project Plan

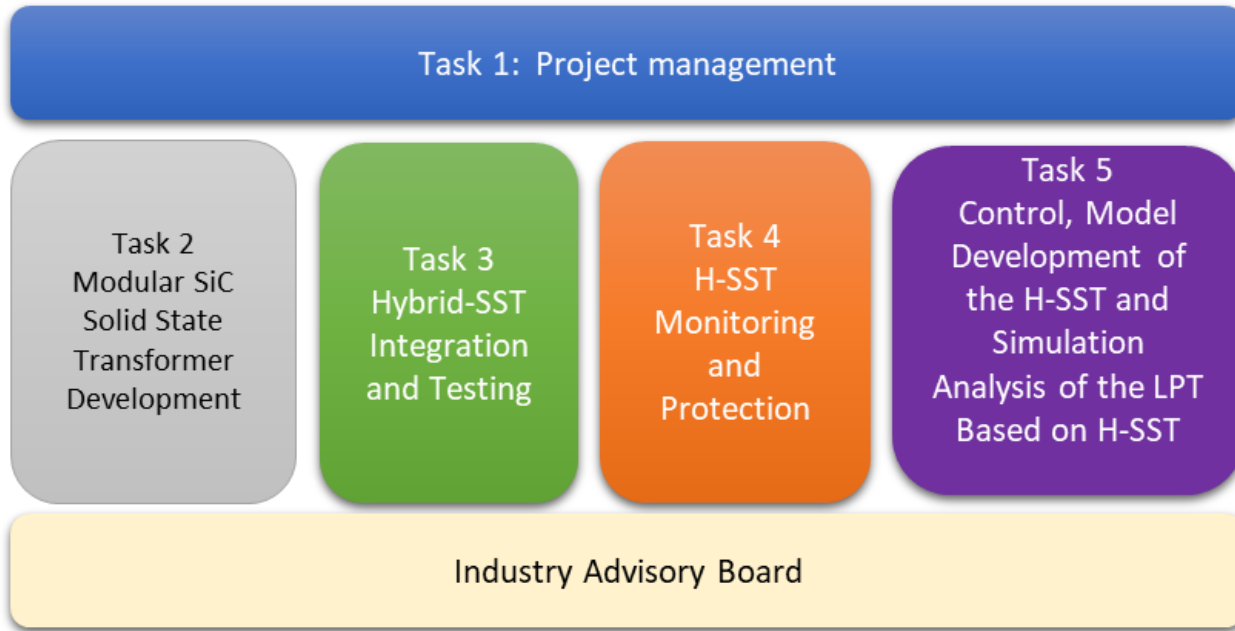


Fig. 18: Organization and task Structure of the proposed project

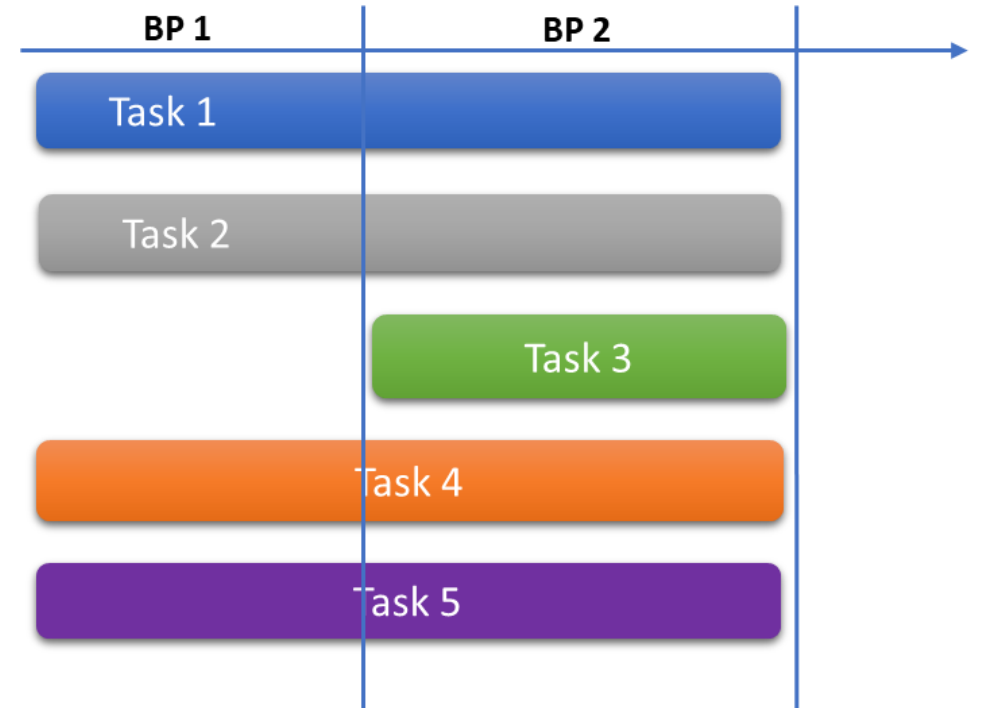
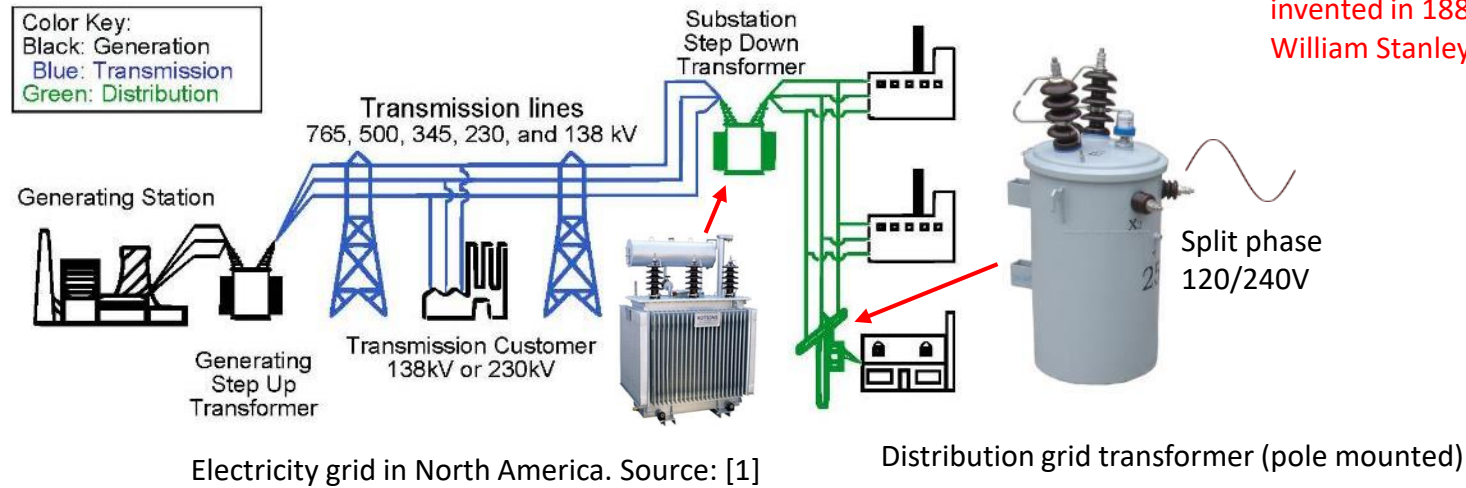


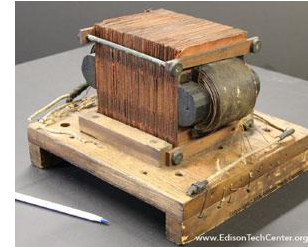
Fig. 19: High level schedules of each task



Need for advanced control function and flexibility



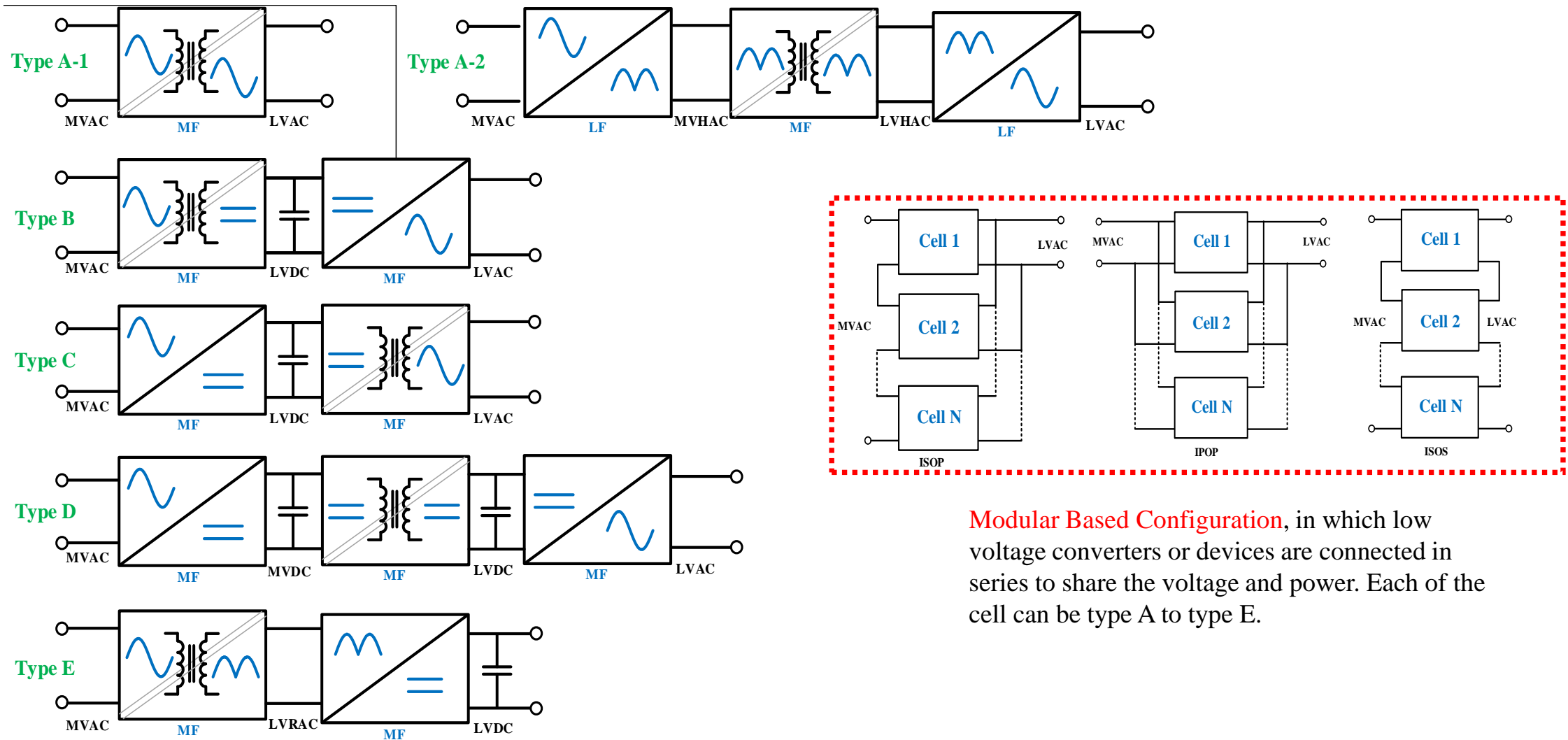
Transformer History:
invented in 1886 by
William Stanley



- Designed for unidirectional power flow and century-old transformer technology with little controllability
- Requires a wide spectrum of products for power quality improvement (SVC, active filter, voltage regulator, DVR, etc.)
- Strong coupling and won't isolate harmonics/other disturbances
- Not friendly for integration of renewable energy source (DC-typed sources need more conversion stages, synchronization), EV, electronic load

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Power Electronics Solutions: Solid State Transformer

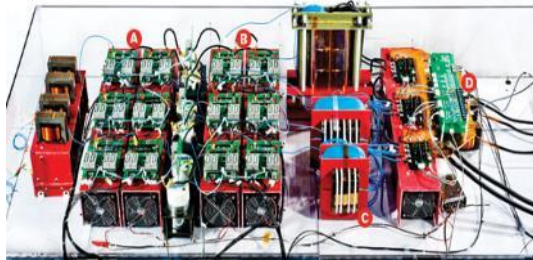


Modular Based Configuration, in which low voltage converters or devices are connected in series to share the voltage and power. Each of the cell can be type A to type E.

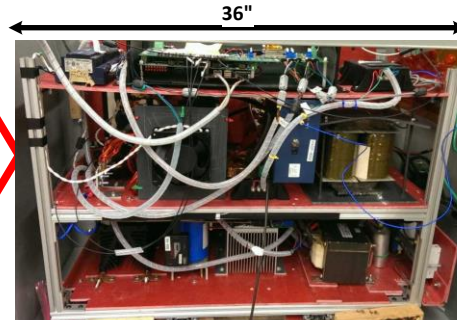
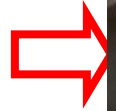
Previous SST Prototypes: Distribution grid focus



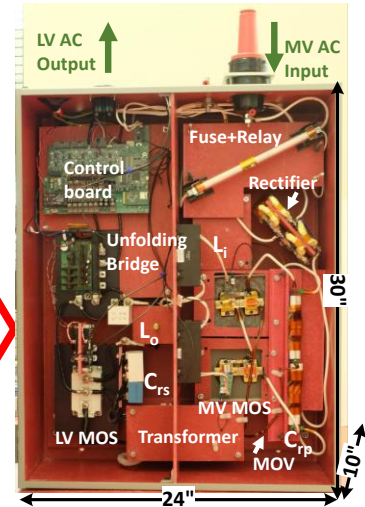
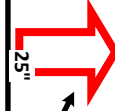
60Hz
Transformer



Gen- 1 SST: Si-based (6.5
kV IGBT 3kHz)



Gen- 2 SST: SiC-based (15 kV SiC
MOSFET 10 kHz)



Gen- 3 SST:
SiC @ 40 kHz

Modular Type D

Type D

Type A-2

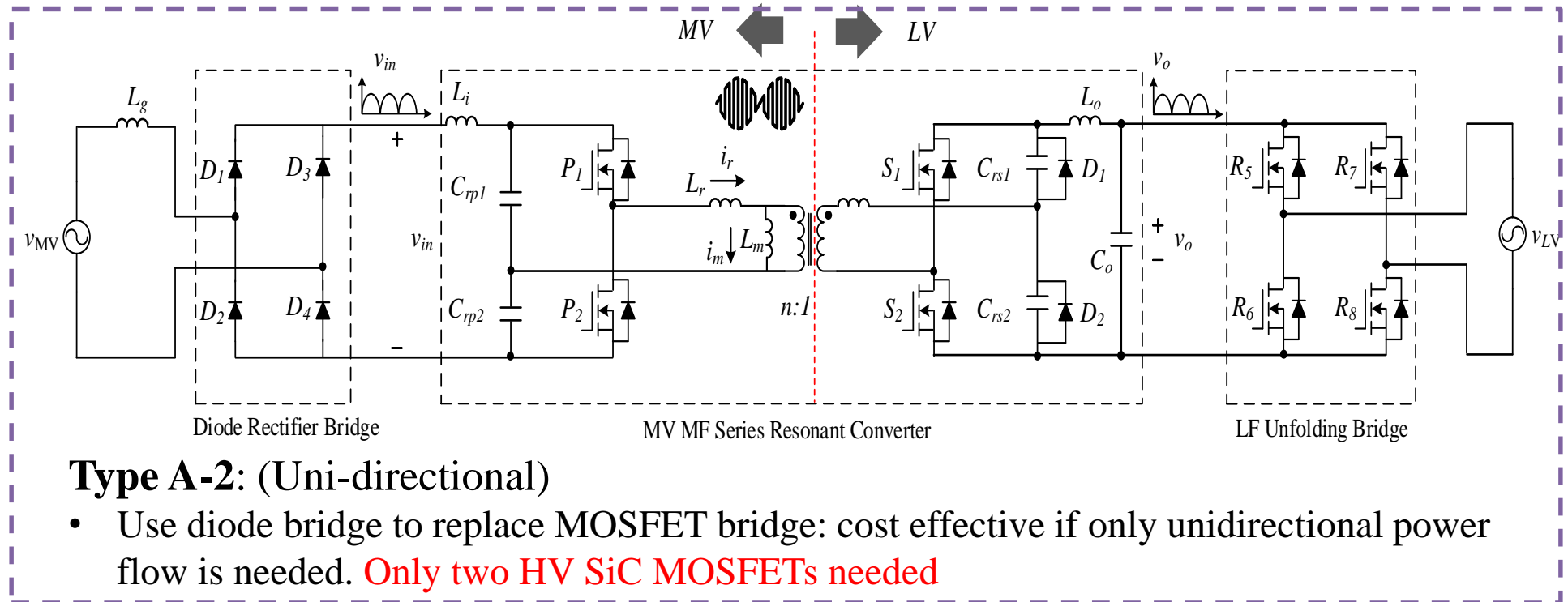
Controls

Topology
/magnetics

Wide Bandgap Devices

7.2 kV single phase transformer for residential node (US market)

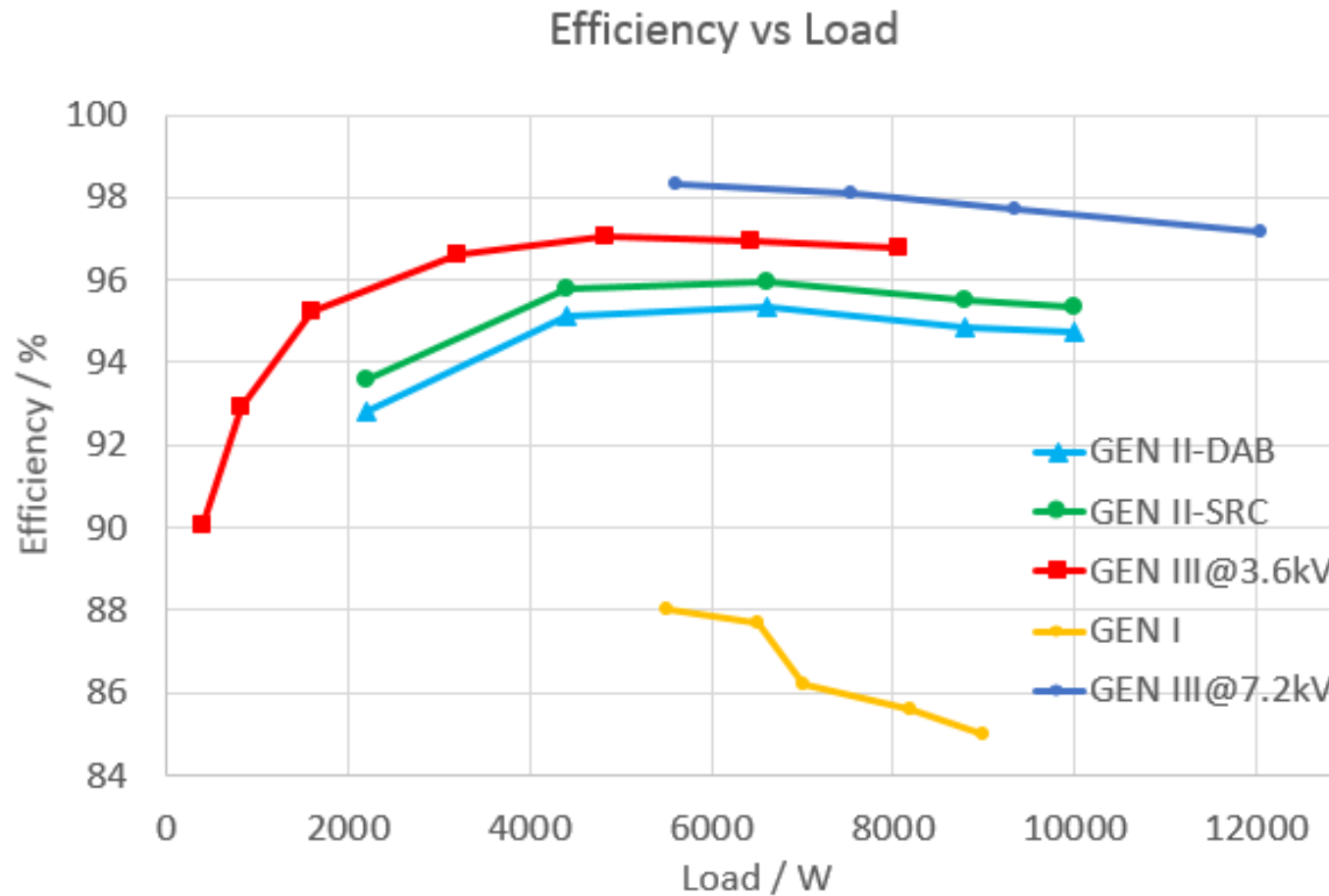
SST based on Direct AC-AC Conversion (Type A-2)



Advantages

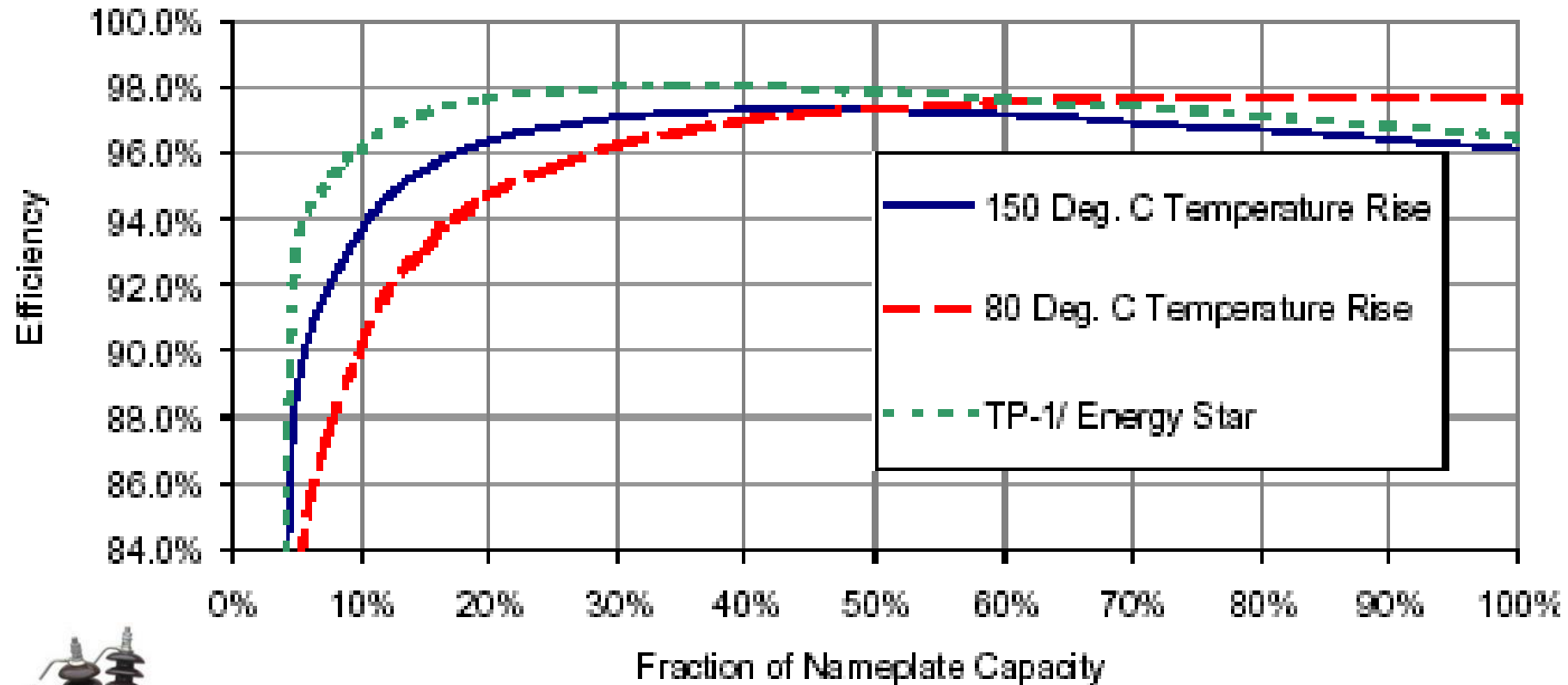
- High efficiency: **one stage of high frequency power conversion** → Efficiency
- High power density: **40kHz~100kHz+no dc capacitors** → Power Density
- Only **two** MF MV MOSFETs and **ZVS guaranteed** → Reliability + Efficiency
- Current limit capability under over load conditions → Functionality
- Minimized system stored energy → Safety

Measured Efficiency (MV AC- LV AC)



Input: 7.2 KV
Output: 240V

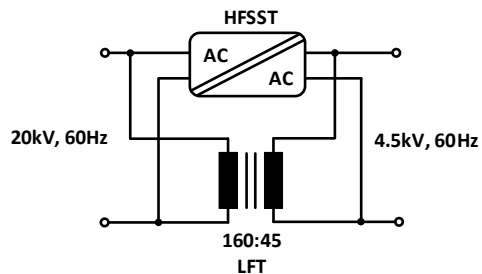
60 Hz transformer efficiency



Conclusion: single phase SST is approaching similar LFT efficiency!
Challenge: How to sale this to transmission application

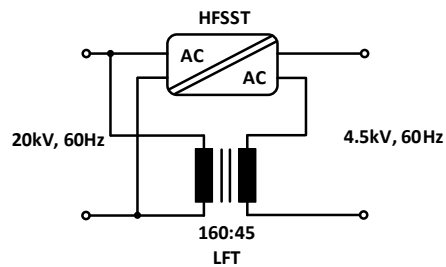
Hybrid SST: trade-off between power level and functionality

C1: Input parallel and output parallel



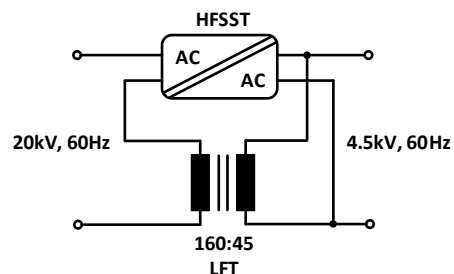
- ✓ Flexible partial power control
- ❖ $V1/V2=n1/n2$
- ❖ No voltage regulation
- ❖ 20kV devices
- ❖ 100kV insulation

C2: Input parallel and output series



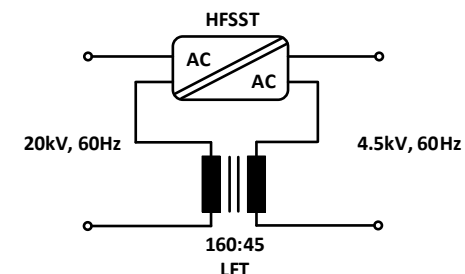
- ✓ Partial power
- ✓ Voltage regulation
- ❖ 20kV devices
- ❖ 100kV insulation

C3: Input series and output parallel



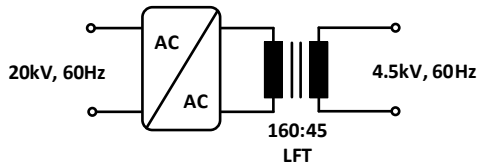
- ✓ Partial power
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- ✓ No 20kV devices
- ❖ 100kV insulation

C4: Input series and output series



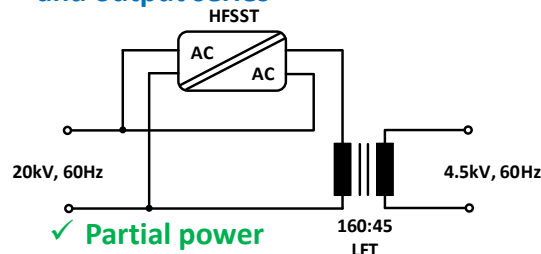
- ✓ Partial power
- ✓ No 20kV devices
- ❖ $V1/V2=n1/n2$
- ❖ No voltage regulation
- ❖ 100kV insulation

C5: Primary side cascaded



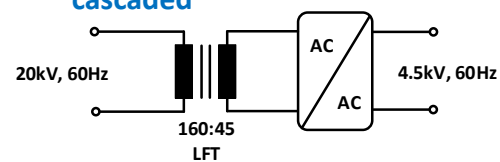
- ✓ Voltage regulation
- ✓ No transformer
- ❖ 20kV devices
- ❖ No partial power

C6: Primary side input parallel and output series



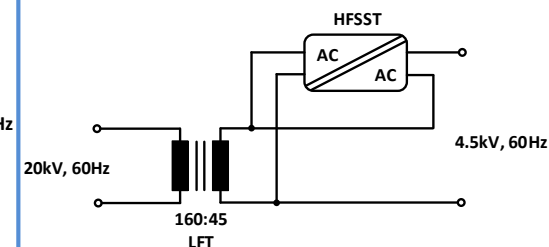
- ✓ Partial power
- ✓ Voltage regulation
- ❖ 20kV devices
- ❖ 100kV insulation

C7: Secondary side cascaded



- ✓ Voltage regulation
- ✓ No 20kV devices
- ✓ No transformer
- ❖ No partial power

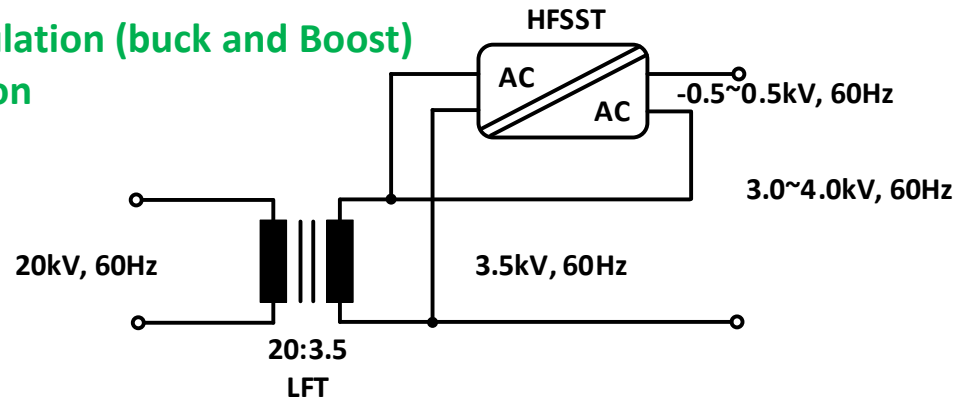
C8: Secondary side input parallel and output series



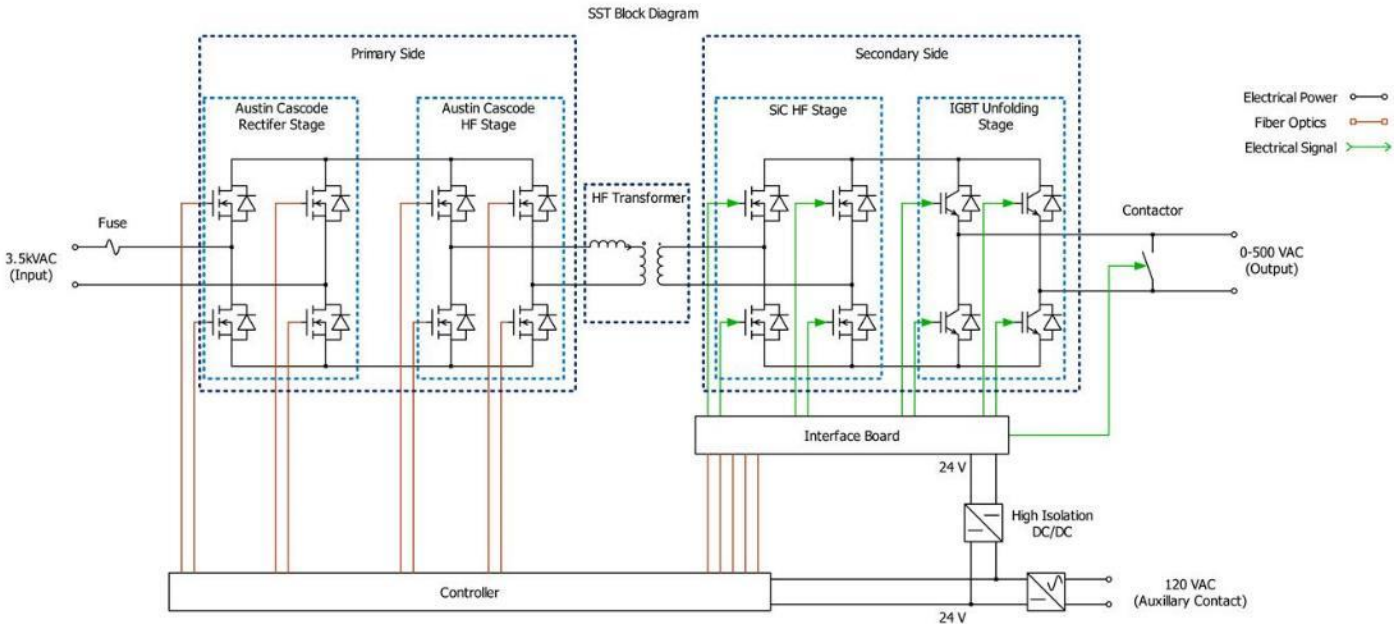
- ✓ Partial power
- ✓ Low voltage insulation
- ✓ Voltage regulation
- ✓ No 20kV devices

Preferred Hybrid-SST Solution: Secondary side IPOS configuration

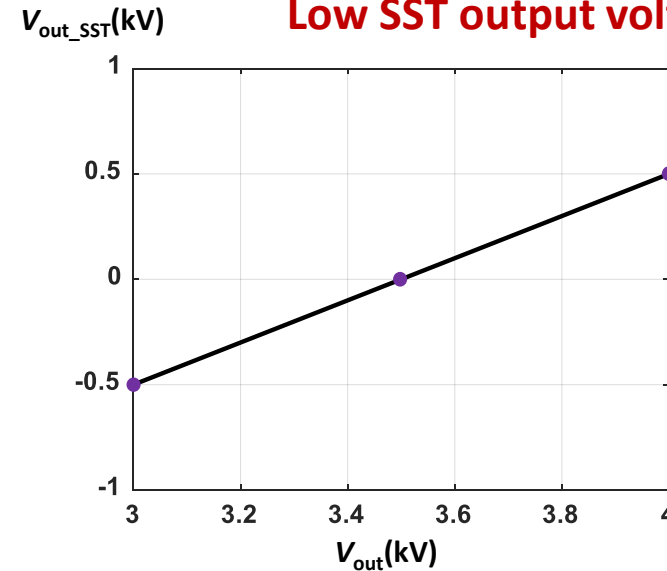
- ✓ Partial power
- ✓ Low voltage insulation (buck and Boost)
- ✓ Voltage regulation
- ✓ No 20kV devices



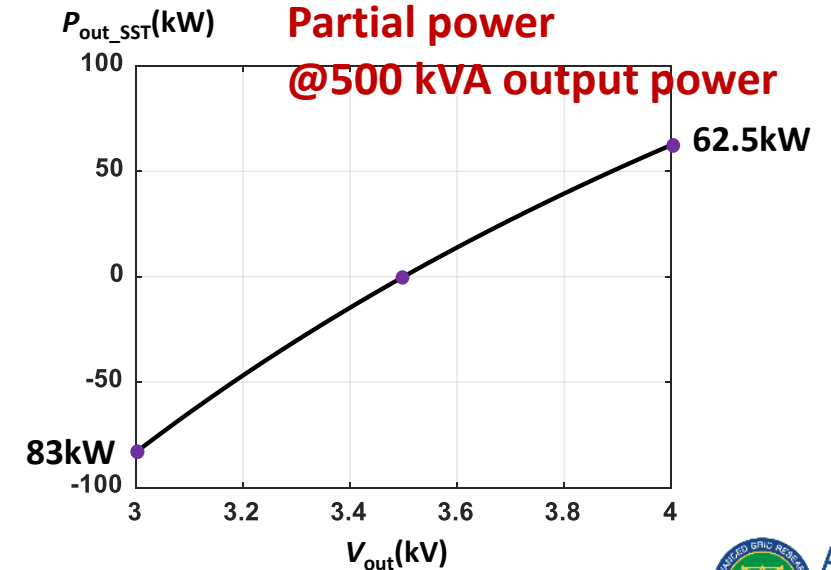
Proposed DAB SST



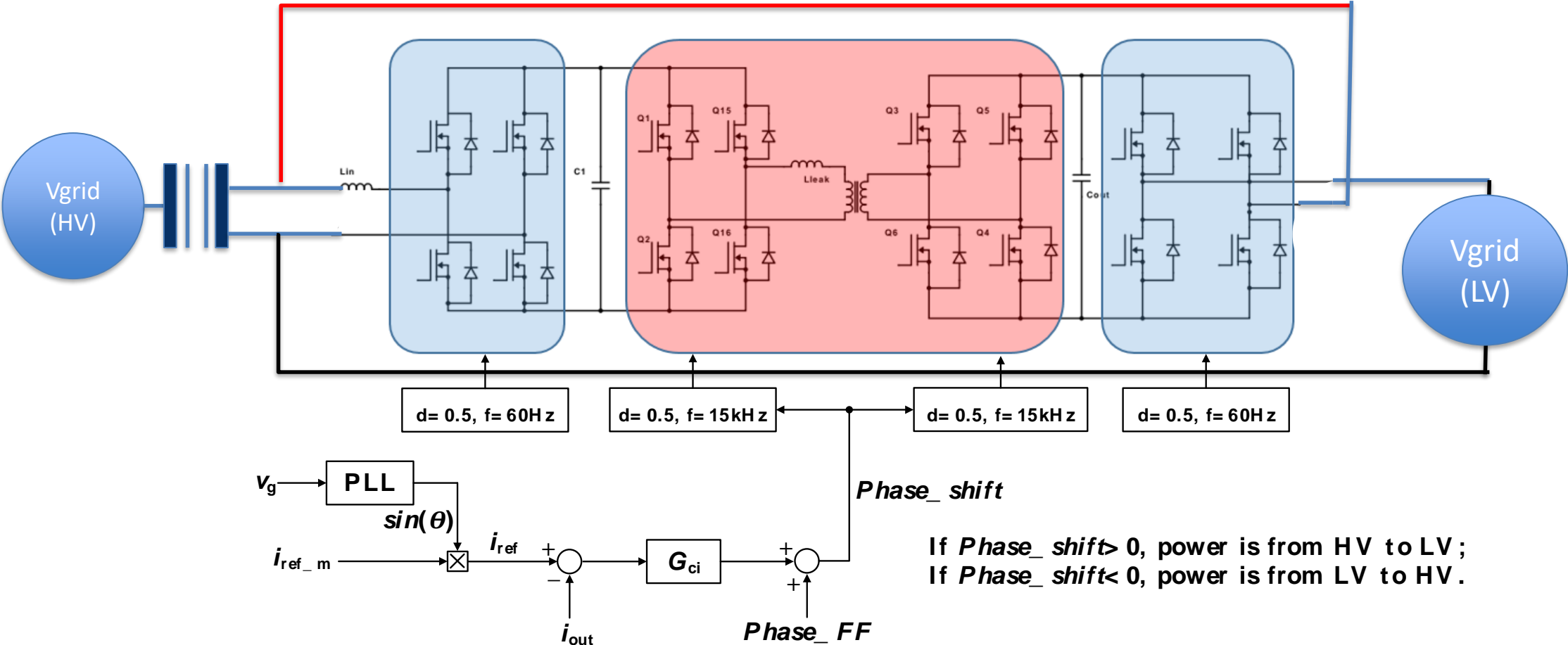
Low SST output voltage



Partial power @500 kVA output power

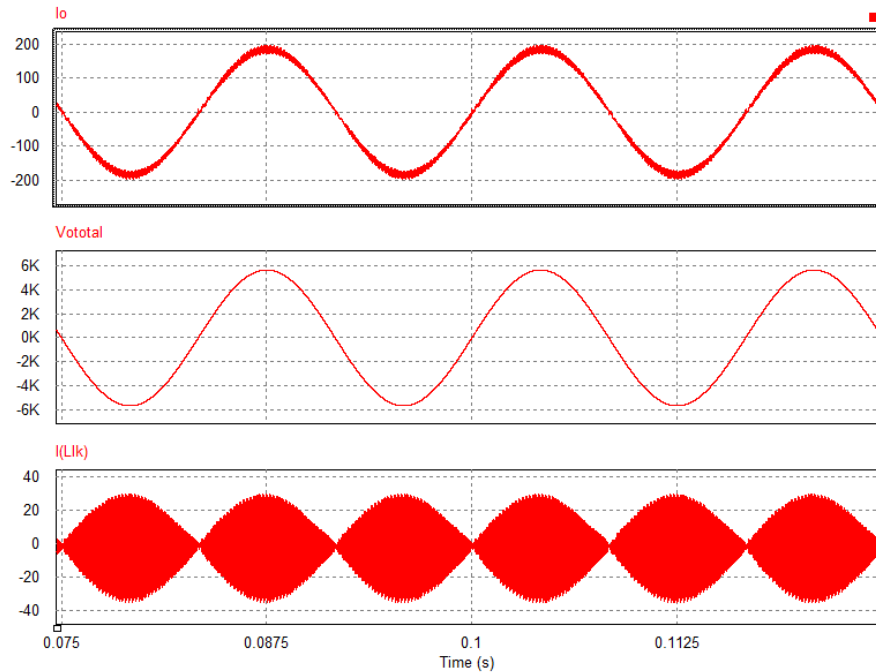


HSST Control Strategy: Constant Frequency with Single Phase-Shift



Simulation Results (1): Power from HV Side to LV Side

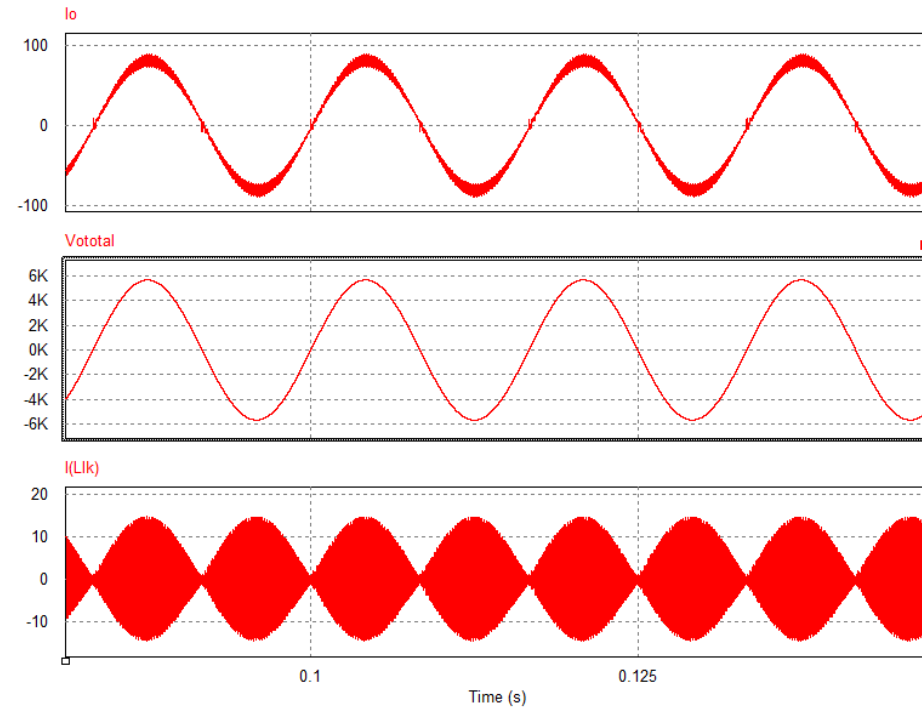
- Power from HV side to LV side, full power, 500kW
- Control: constant frequency (15kHz) with constant phase shift (9.93°),



**$V_{in}=20kV,$
 $V_{insst}=3.5kV$
 $V_{out}=4.0kV,$
 $V_{outsst}=0.5kV$**

$P \propto \text{Phase_Shift}$

- Power from HV side to LV side, half power, 250kW
- Control: constant frequency (15kHz) with constant phase shift (0.5*9.93°),

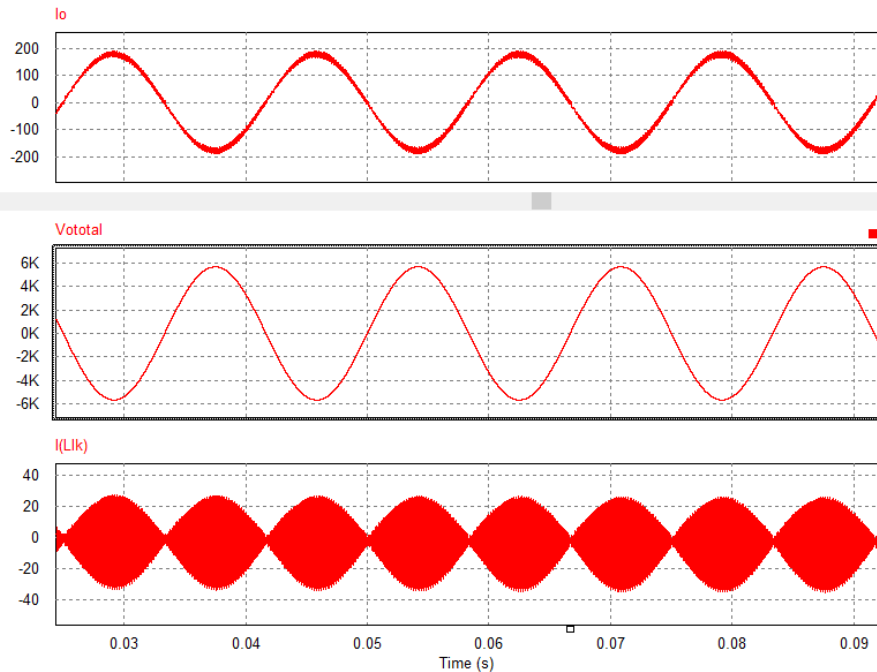


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Simulation Results (2): Power from HV Side to LV Side

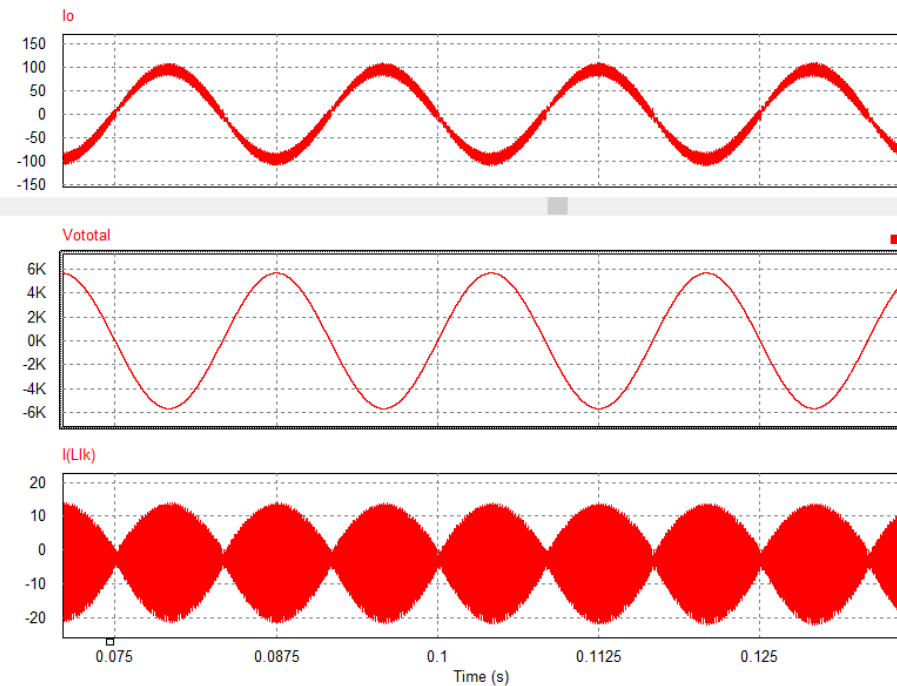
- Power from LV side to HV side, full power, 500kW
- Control: constant frequency (15kHz) with constant phase shift (-9.0°),



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Vout=4.0kV,
Voutsst=0.5kV**

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- Power from LV side to HV side, half power, 250kW
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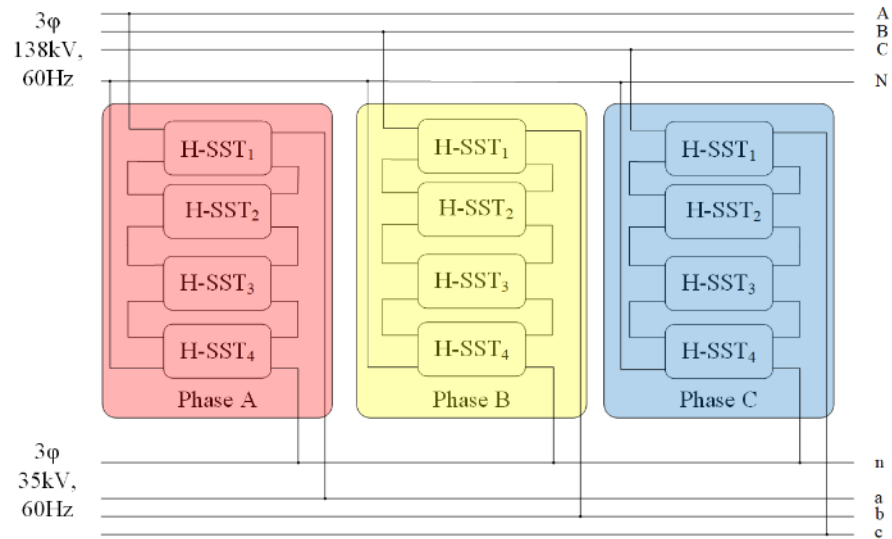


**Vin=20kV,
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HSST: Standardized Design for Multiple LPT Constructions

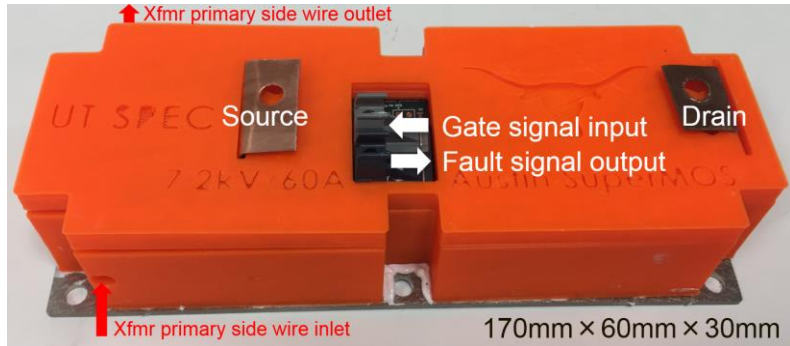
- 6 MVA 138kV/35 kV LPT based on the 500 kVA H-SST.



- Modular configurations utilized to achieve various 138 kV LPTs

LPT Voltage	138kV/115kV	138kV/69 kV	138kV/35 kV	138kV/4 kV
Input configuration	Series and parallel	Series parallel and	series	series
Desirable H-SST input voltage	20 kV	20 kV	20 kV	20 kV
Number of H-SST at the input per phase	4+4+4+4=16	4+4=8	4	4
Output configuration	Series	Series	series	parallel
Desirable H-SST output voltage	4 kV	5 kV	5 kV	4 kV
Number of H-SST at the output per phase	16	8	4	4
Minimum LPT power rating	24 MVA	12 MVA	6 MVA	6 MVA

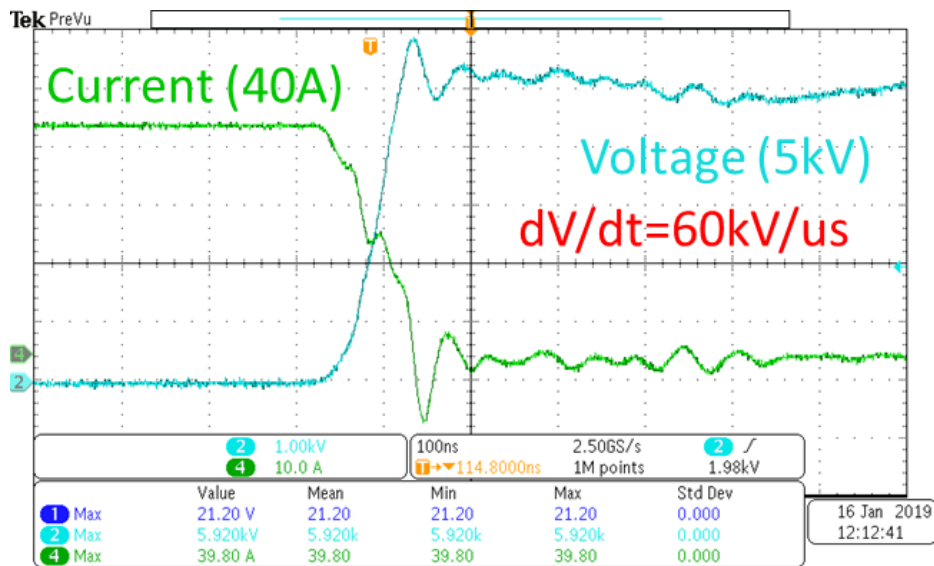
7.2kV/60A Austin SuperMOS (1)



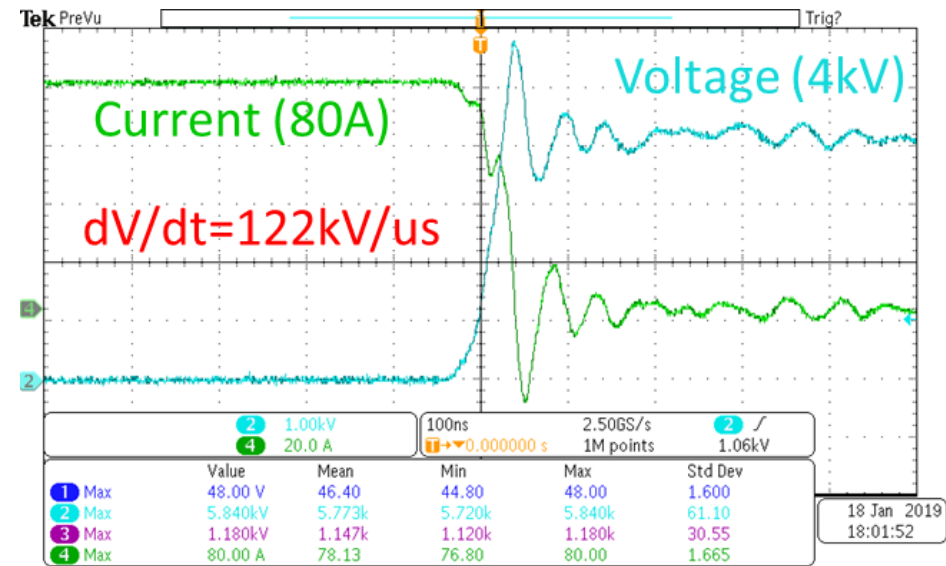
Picture of the 7.2kV/60A Austin SuperMOS

Features:

- High blocking voltage with low on-resistance (<math><200\text{ m}\Omega</math>)
- High speed switching ($\text{dV/dt} > 120\text{ kV/us}$) with low capacitances
- Simple to drive and easy to be parallel
- ZVS switching achievable
- Integrated gate driver DESAT protection, UVLO protection, and Over temperature protection
- Integrated isolated power supply with 20kV insulation capability

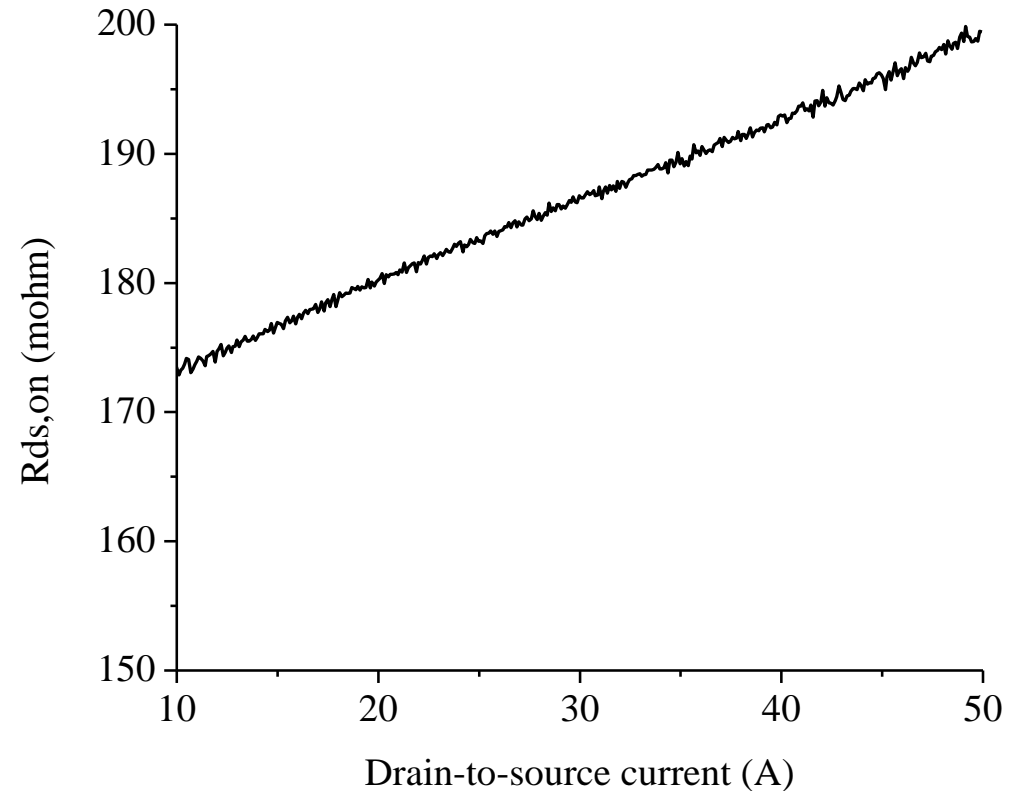
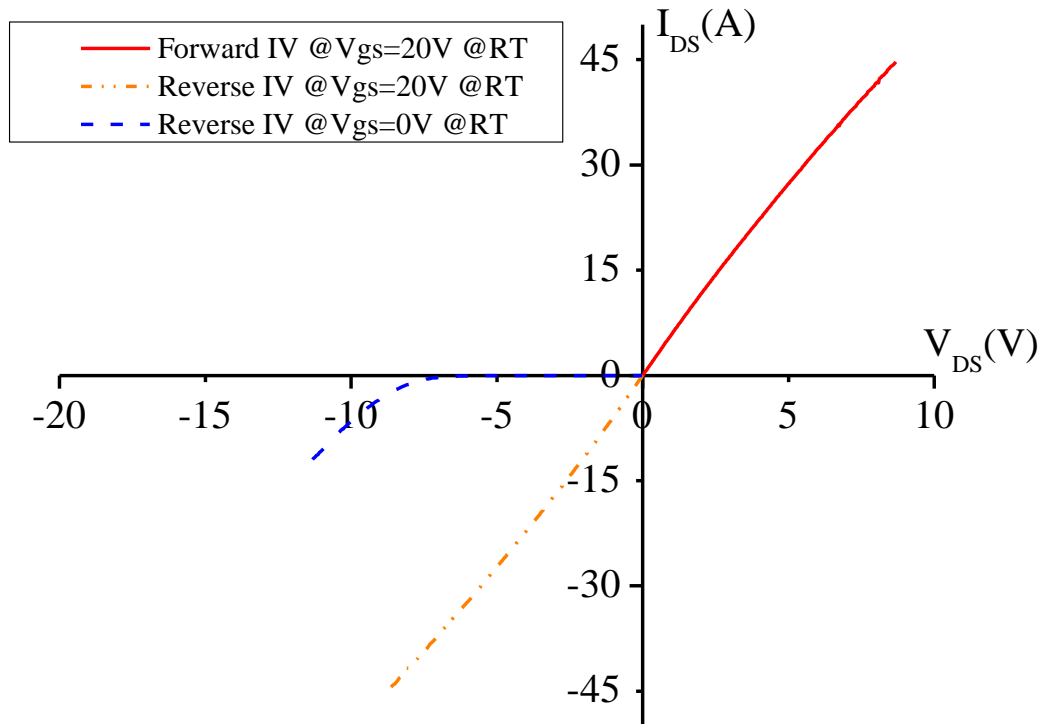


Turn-off waveform at 5kV/40A



Turn-off waveform at 4kV/80A

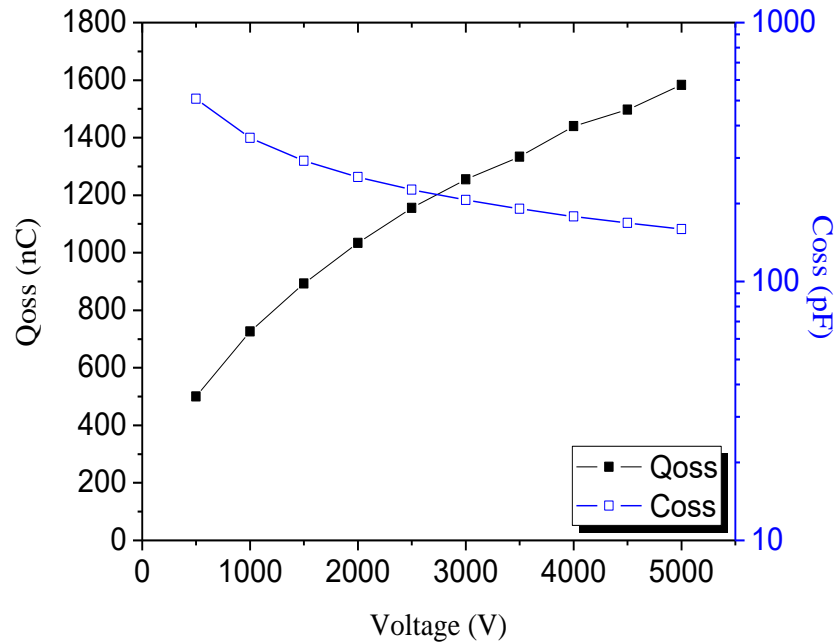
7.2kV/60A Austin SuperMOS (2)



- I-V curves of the 7.2kV/60A Austin SuperMOS @RT

- Conduction resistance of the 7.2kV/60A Austin SuperMOS under different drain-to-source current @RT

7.2kV/60A Austin SuperMOS (3)



Output charge and output capacitance of the 7.2kV Austin SuperMOS

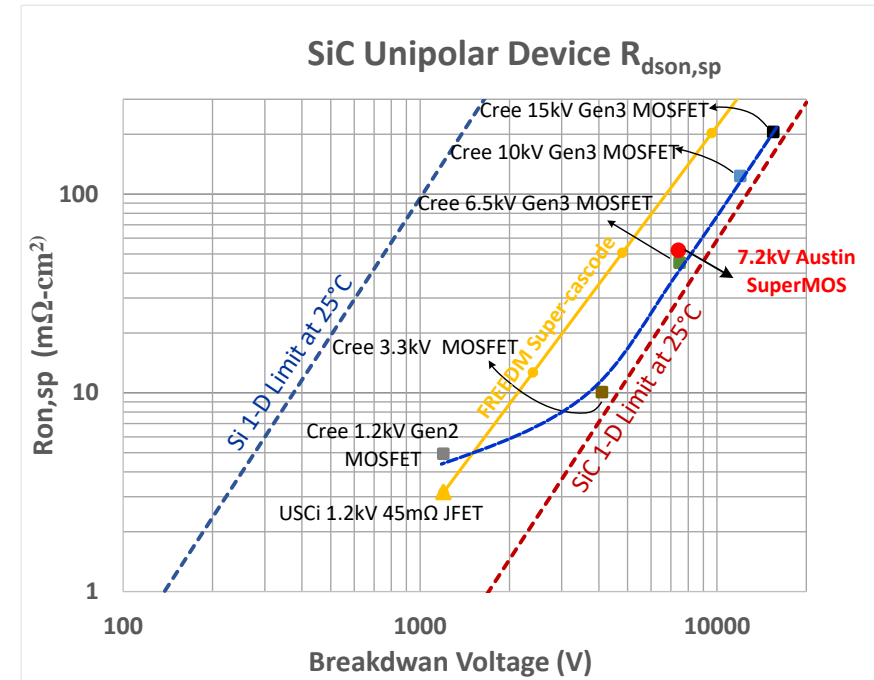
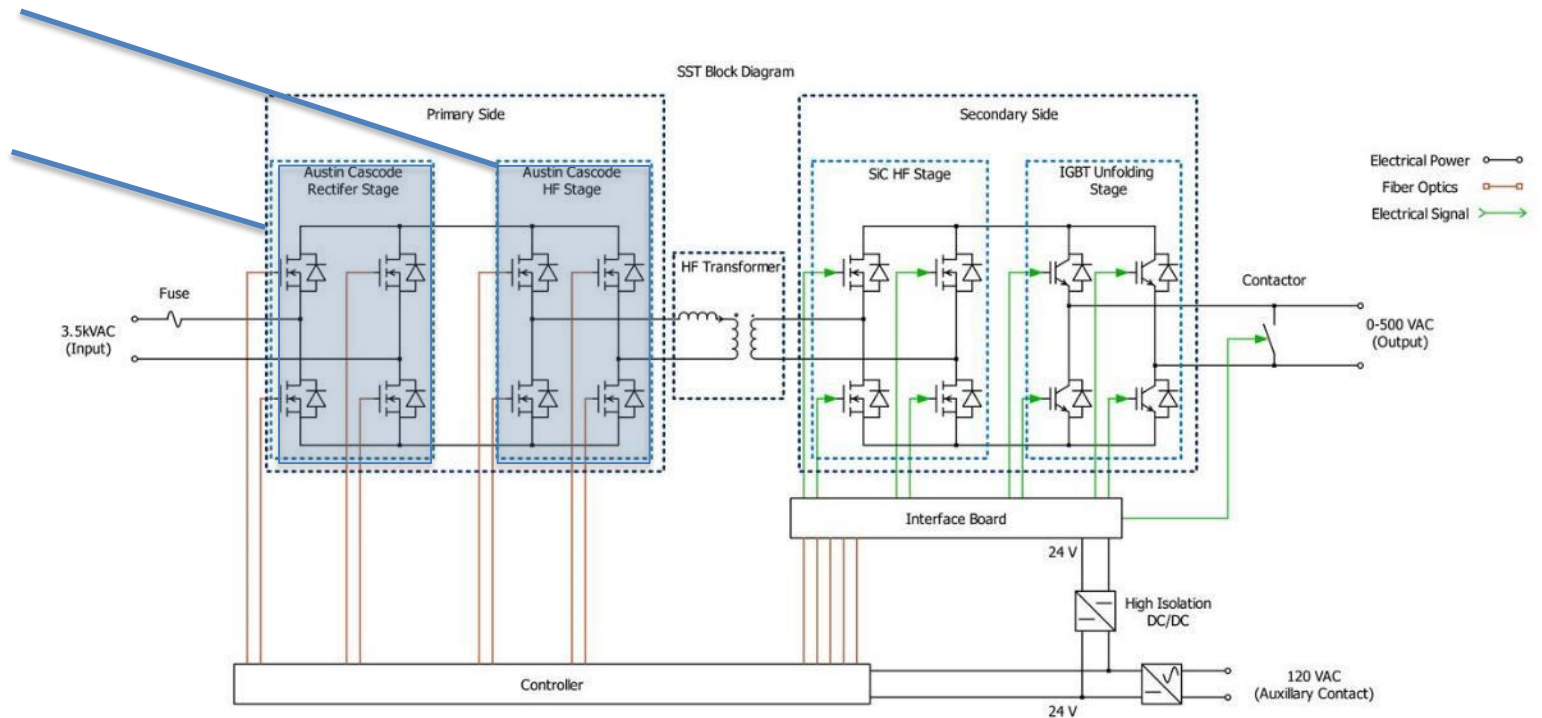
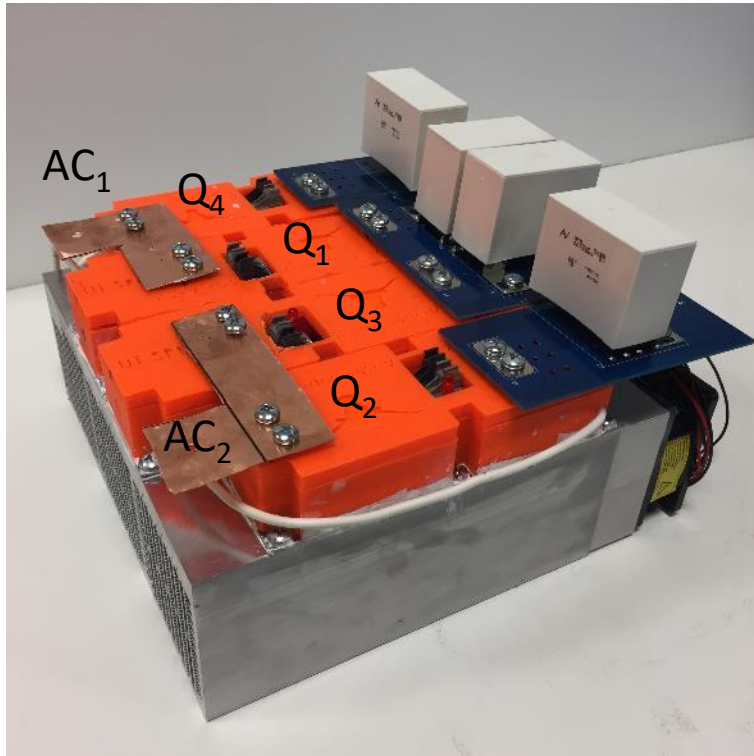


Figure of Merit (FOM) of SiC unipolar devices

Parameter	Value	Parameter	Value
Rated Voltage	7.2kV	E_{on} @5kV/10A	15.5mJ
Rated Current	60A@100°C 90A@25°C	E_{off} @5kV/10A	1.2mJ
R_{dson}	<200 mΩ @25°C	E_{off} @5kV/40A	1.8mJ
Q_{oss} @5kV	1584nC	C_{oss} @5kV	159pF

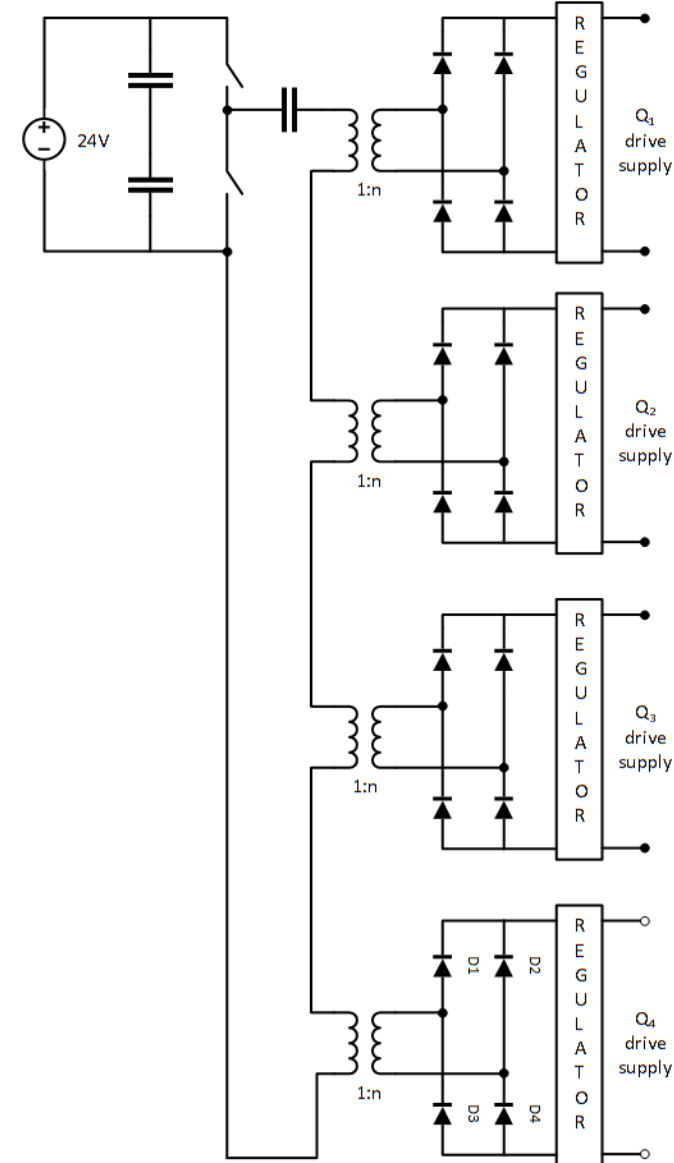
Primary Side Full Bridge Setup

- 3kV film capacitors are used in series to construct the 5kV dc link.
- DC+, DC- and the midpoint cable entry points are located on the bottom layer of the PCB
- Dimensions are 262mm x 240mm x 168mm



Gate Driver Power Supplies with High Isolation Voltage

- 10kV isolation
- Series LLC resonant circuit
- Secondary side circuit included inside integrated module
- Primary winding is a HV wire that loops around 4 toroidal cores included inside 4 SuperMosfet modules of the primary full bridge
- Transfer capacitance = 2pF
- Input = 15Vdc; Output = 24V dc
- High insulation capability realized by 3D printed bobbin which separates the primary hv wire and secondary winding.
- Switching frequency = 235kHz

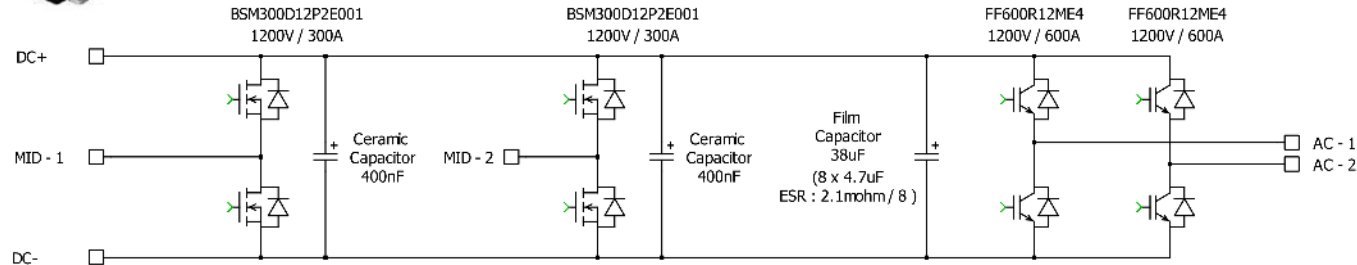


Low Voltage Side Power Stage

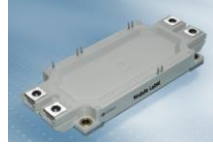
Rohm SiC modules



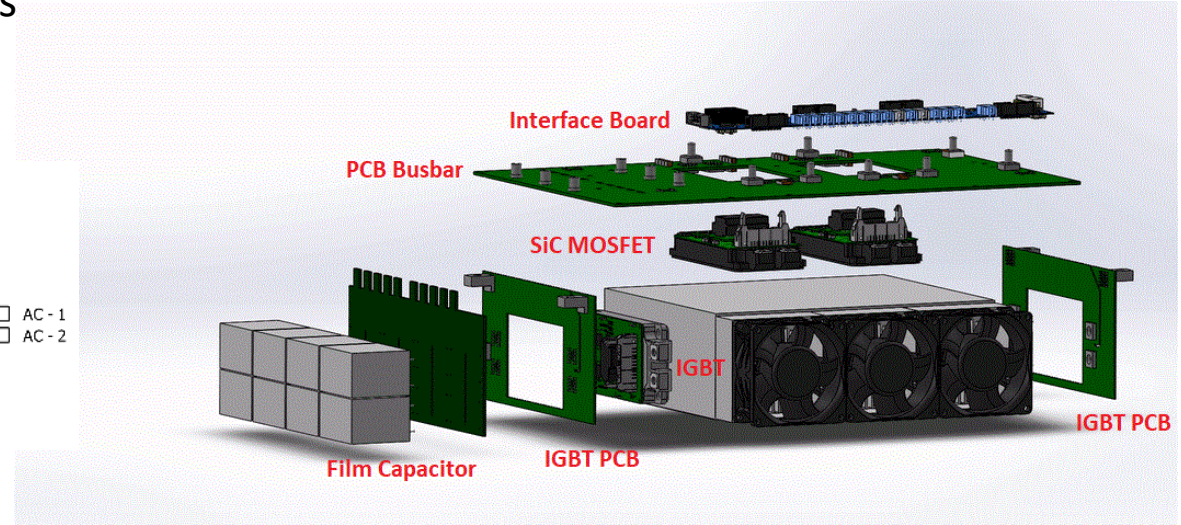
1200V, 8mohm



Infineon IGBT modules



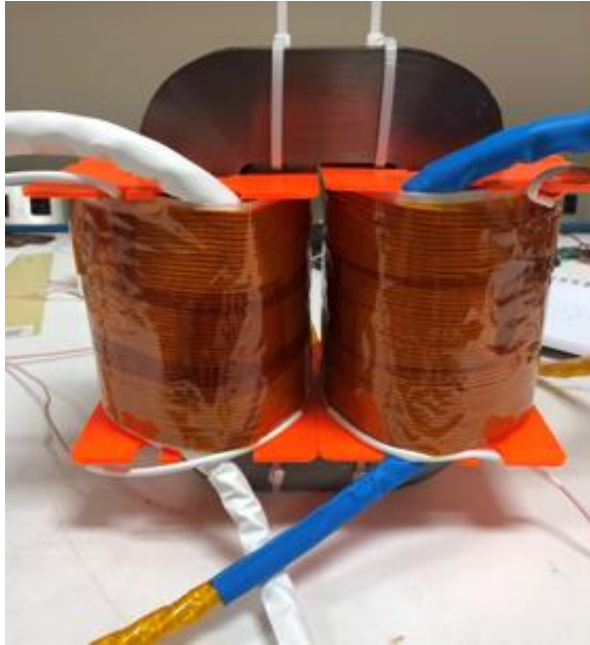
1200V,
200A, 1.2V
600A, 2V



- Secondary Side dimensions : 400 x 270 x 130mm
- Includes Interface Board, which allows for optical control from the controller , thus achieving high level of isolation
- Interface Board also responsible for
 - Output Contactor Control
 - Sensor signal conditioning
 - Driver Fault detection and shutdown

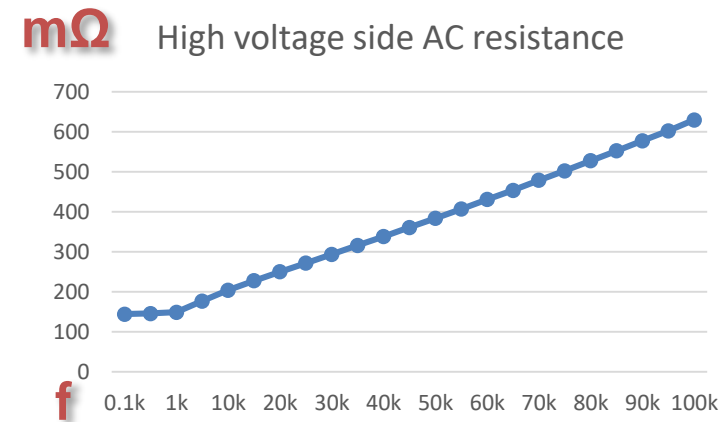
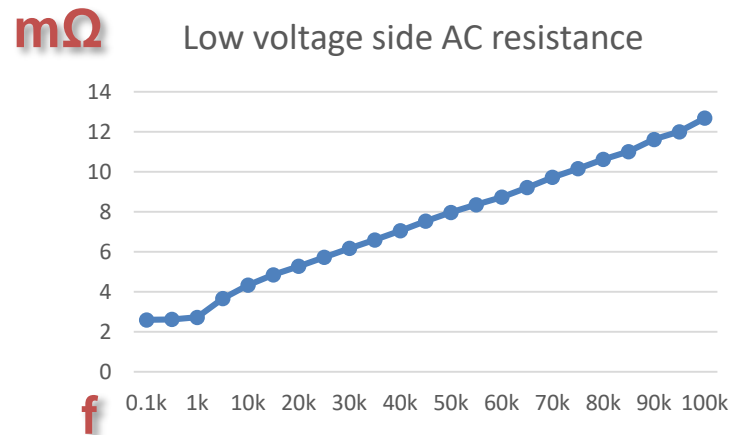


High-power Medium-frequency Transformer

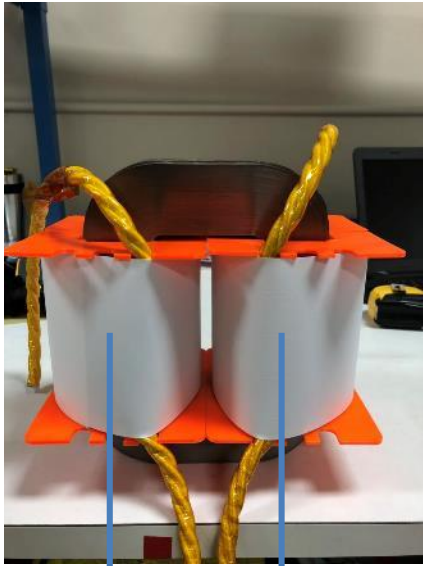


Version 1 transformer

- Core Material: FINEMET® FT-3TL
- 150 * 125 * 170mm
- Turn ratio: 49:7
- Magnetic inductance_HV/LV: 276.5mH/5.88mh
- Leakage inductance_HV/LV: 78.3uH/1.86uH



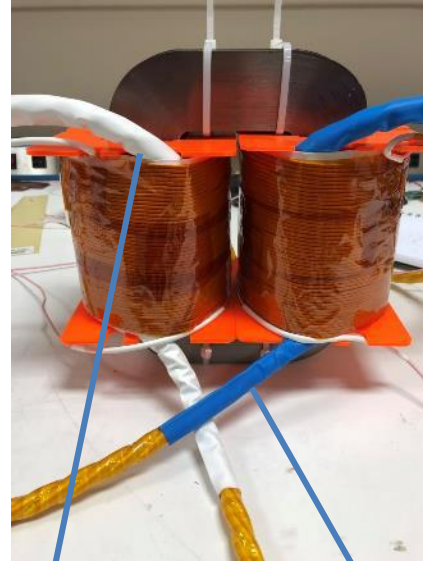
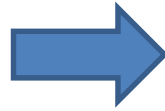
Transformer insulation design and Partial discharge test



Insulation sheet

Dielectric Breakdown
20,292 volts

Dielectric Strength -
1194 volts/mil

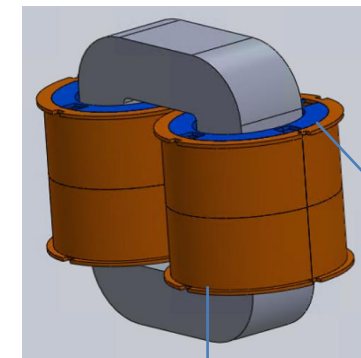
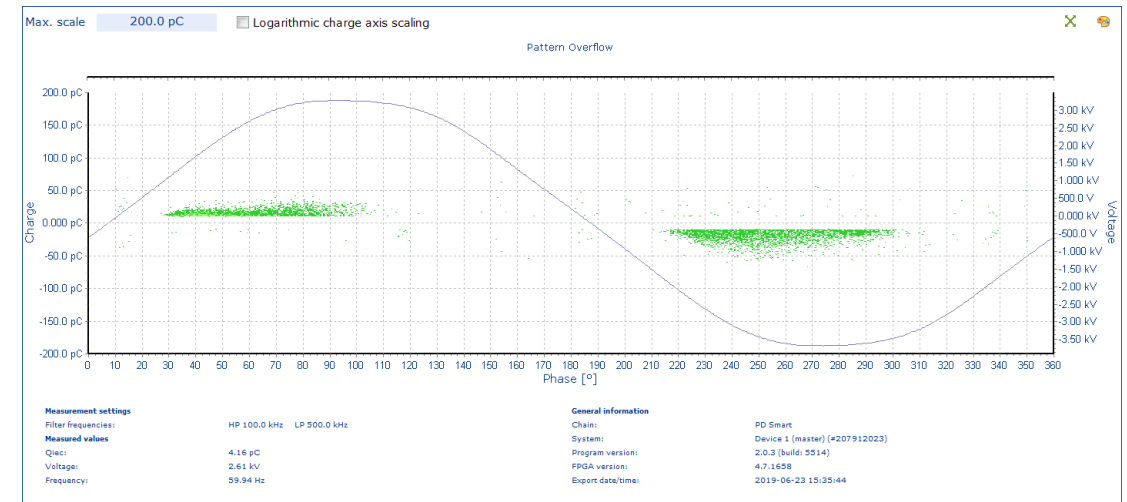


Heat Shrink Thin Wall Tubing

Dielectric Strength >20kV / mm

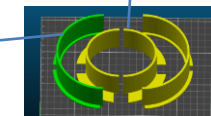
- PDIV is 2.5kV,
- Improved design for higher insulation voltage is needed.

AC RMS 2.5kV 60HZ



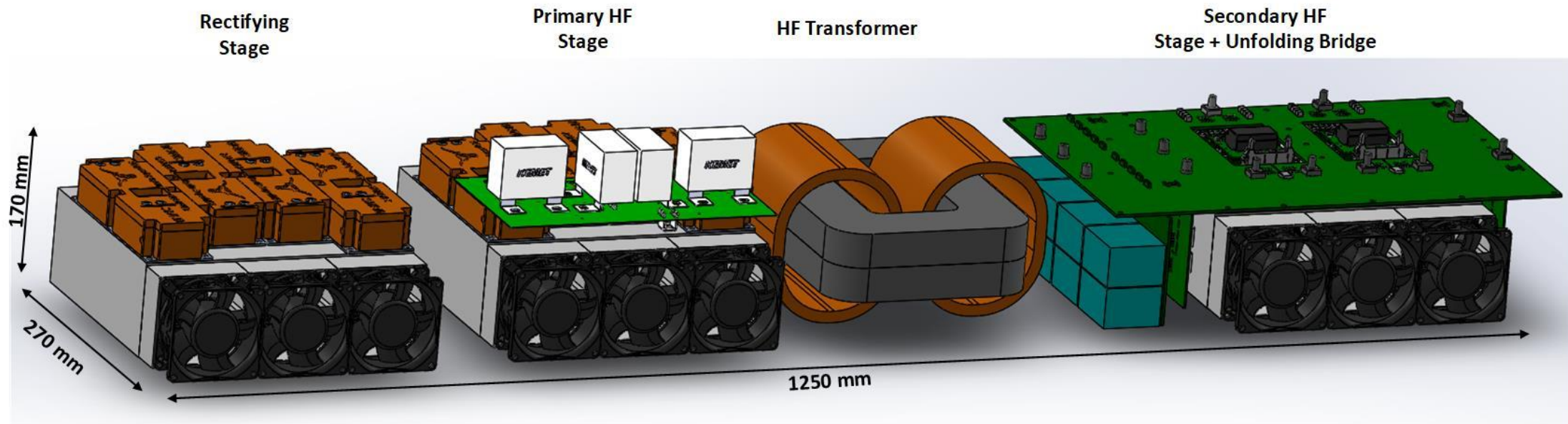
Inner-layer bobbin

Outer-layer bobbin



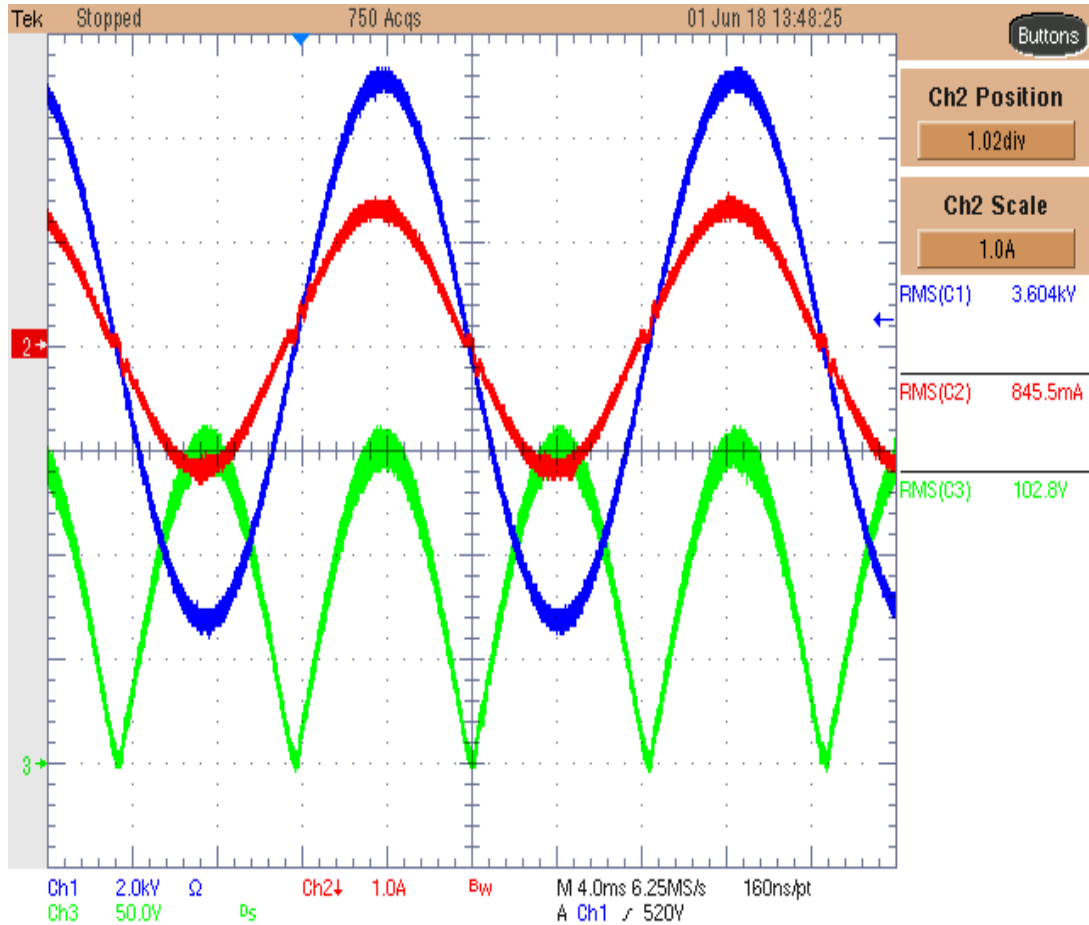
- Version 2 design is planned
- Using inner bobbin to enhance the insulation

100 kVA DABSST Converter 3D drawings (Alpha Design)

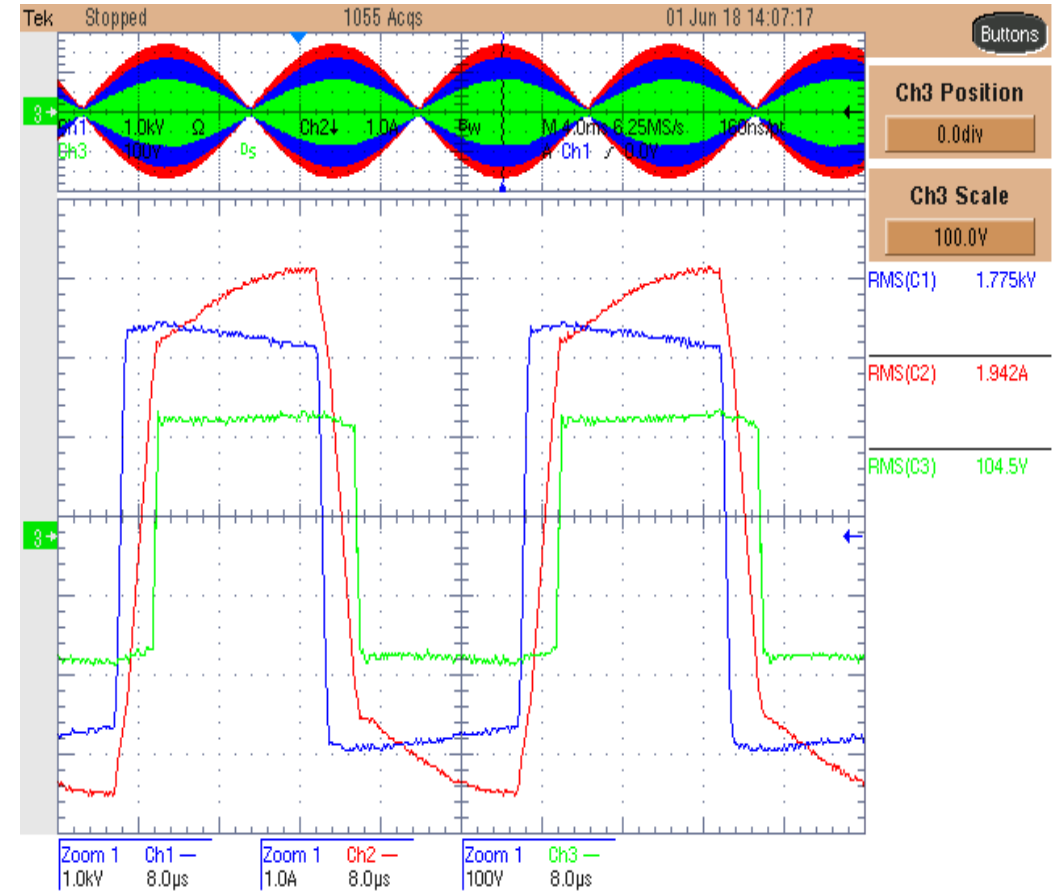


- Tentative Arrangement yields an SST of dimensions : 1250 x 270 x 170 mm
- However, since the LFT is considerably bigger (1575 x 1524 x 2032 mm), the SST should be able to fit in the LFT enclosure itself (drawing on next slide)

Preliminary MV Test Result ($V_{in}=3.6\text{ kV}/V_{out}=103\text{V}$)

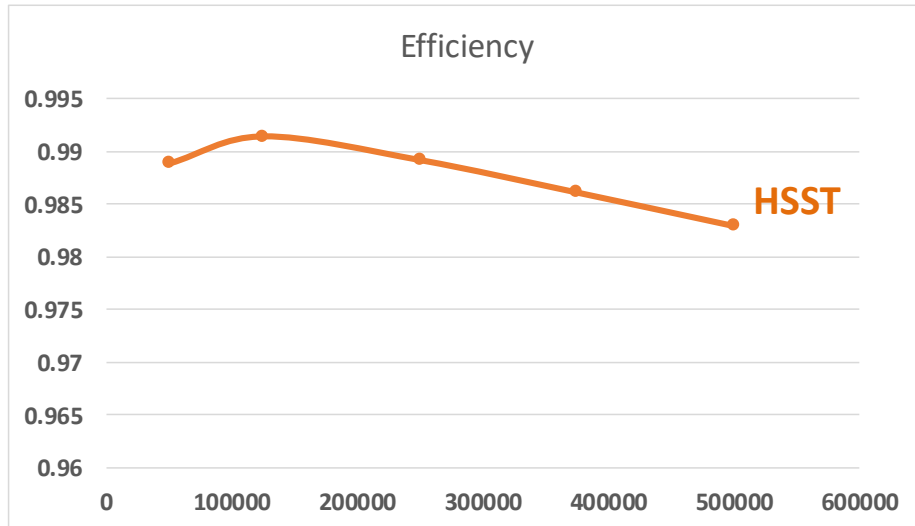
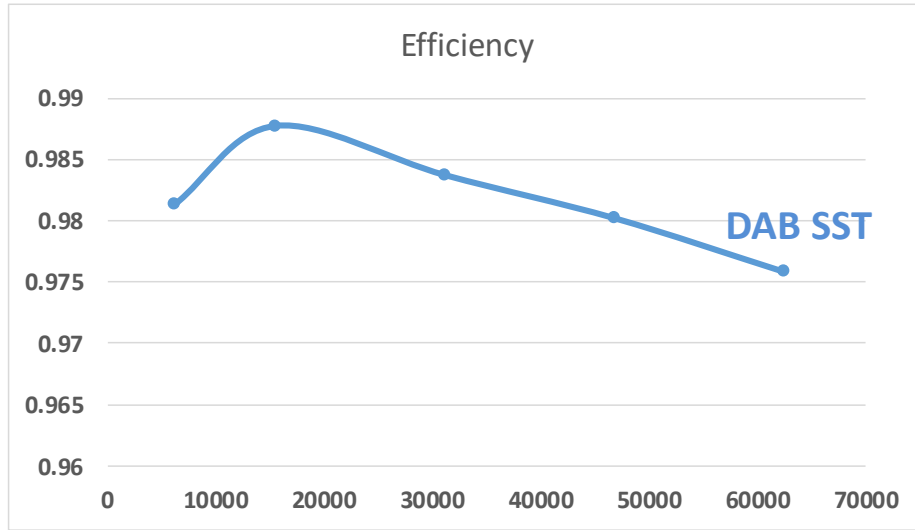


DABST operation with 3.6kV input (blue 2kV/div.) and 103V output (green 50V/div.) and grid current (red 1A/div.).

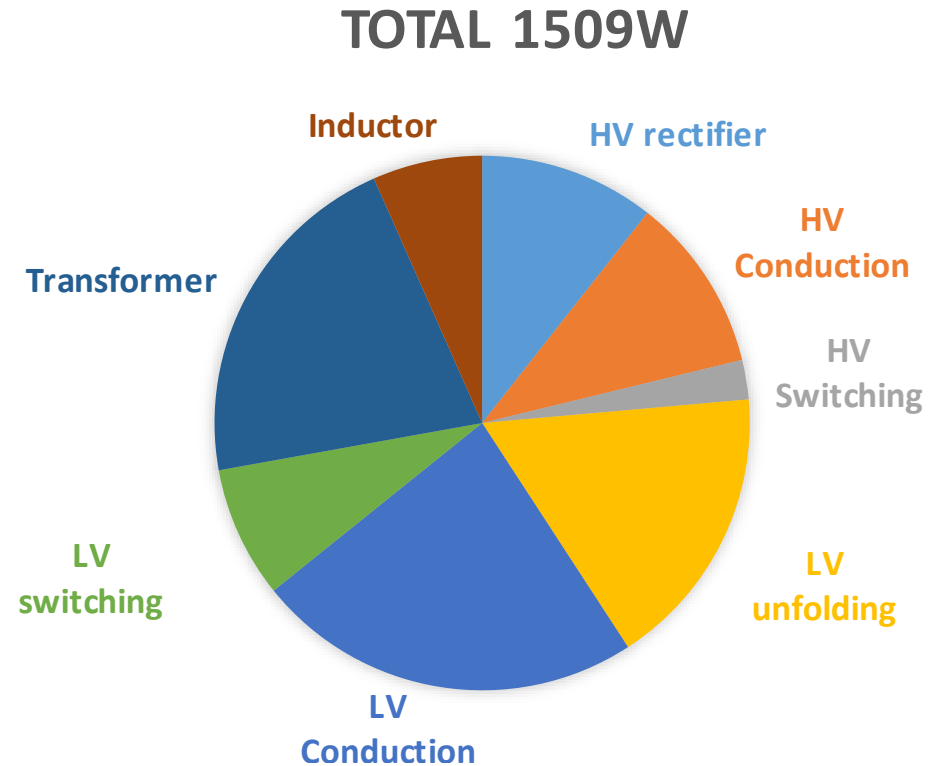


Transformer primary voltage (blue), primary winding current (red) and secondary voltage (green).

Estimated Loss Breakdown and Efficiency

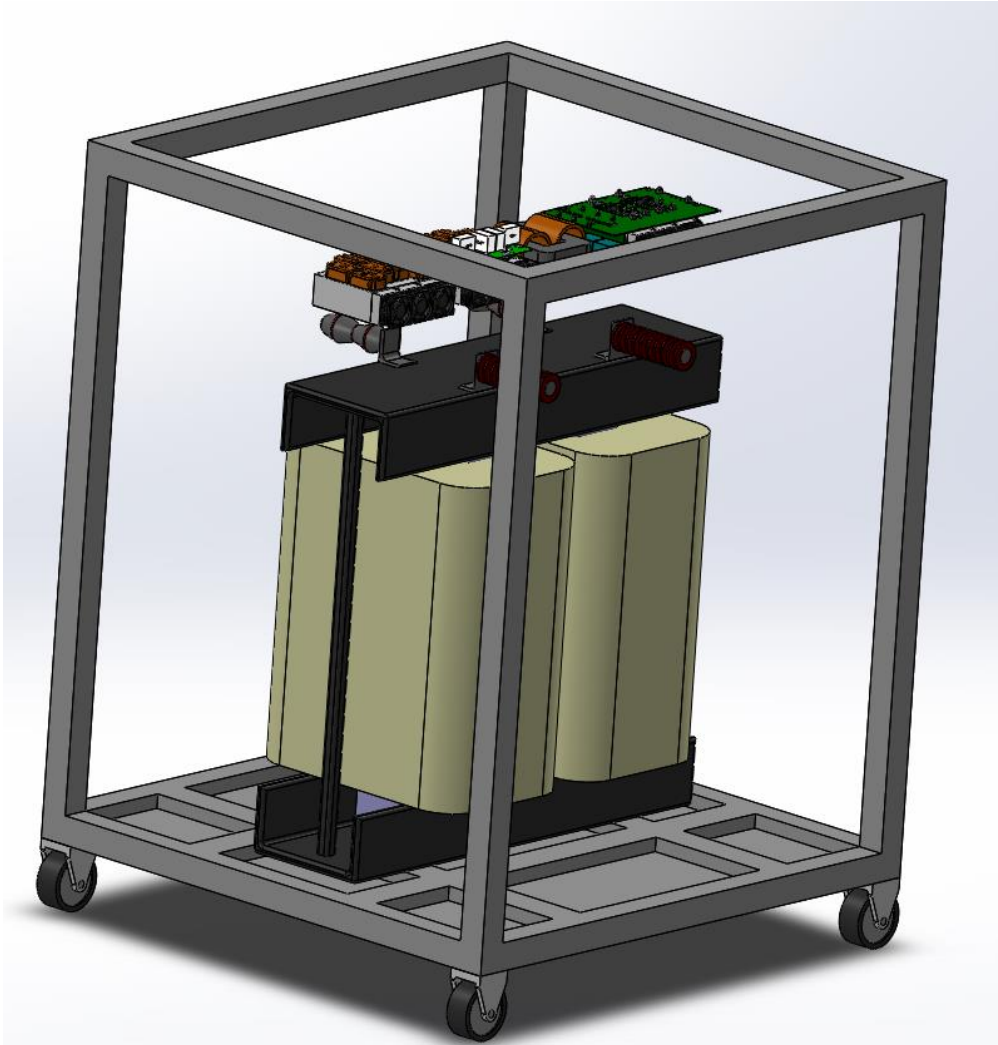


DAB SST total loss @0.5kV, 62.5kW output



- LFT efficiency estimated based on 500 kVA prototype from Control Transformer

500kVA HSST drawing



- 500 kVA LFT order in place
- 100 kVA DABSST is 80% complete
- DABSST modeling and control finished
- Next step
 - Contract in place for all subs (task 1)
 - Line frequency model of the DABSST (Task 5)
 - System level modeling of LPT (Task 5)
 - HSST monitoring strategy (Task 4)
 - Improved isolation capability of DABSST transformer (Task 2)

DELIVERABLES (*assume 3/18/2019 start date)

Deliverable	Planned Completion Date	Status (8/2019)
Alpha 100 kVA SiC DABSST	9/30/2019	80%
Beta 100 kVA SiC DABSST	3/31/2020	0%
500 kVA Hybrid Solid State Transformer	9/30/2020	50%
Monitoring and failure/fault detection platform	12/31/2019	Started, 10%
Control, modeling and simulation analysis of LPT based on H-SST	12/31/2020	Started, 10%