



## ENHANCED EFFICIENCY IN INVERTERS WITH NUMBERLESS DC-DC CONVERTER DESIGN

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**ABSTRACT:** An inverter that is not safeguarded and can switch between direct and alternating current. Snubber circuits are typically required for dc-dc converters because they effectively reduce voltage surges. When a traditional dc-dc converter is turned off, it creates voltage spikes that damage all of the semiconductor components. To reduce peak voltage, either cap the voltage or construct an additional snubber circuit. As the number of losses and components in the converter rises, the converter's performance suffers. This problem is solved by using secondary modulation to drive the converter with soft switching. As a result, an extra snubber is not strictly essential. This device successfully incorporates both zero current switching (ZCS) and zero voltage switching (ZVS). When the ZVS is in operation, the converter controls are active. Even when ZCS is not being used, it remains operational. One of the finest alternatives is a voltage converter with a high step-up voltage conversion ratio. Following that, a fully functional bridge inverter is attached to the output of the direct current to direct current converter. The inverter generates alternating current (AC), which is subsequently connected to either a power grid or an alternate power supply. Fuel cell vehicles, residential solar (PV) systems, and energy storage systems are popular places to find inverters and dc/dc converters that do not require snubbers to function independently. The Simulink Model (Matlab Software) tools were used to design and represent the proposed system.

**Keywords:** Snubberless dc-dc converter, Soft Switching, Zero Voltage Switching, Zero Current Switching, Secondary modulation Techniques.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

In the realm of power electronics, there is a continuous process of advancement that is taking place. This advancement is being pushed by the demand for power conversion systems that are more compact, durable, and efficient than those that are now available. The sector is witnessing expansion as a direct result of the demand that has been created. Direct current to direct current (DC-DC) converters are the ones that are most significant in a wide number of applications, despite the fact that there are many different forms of power converters. These converters perform the conversion of direct current to direct current. This category contains a wide variety of applications, some of which include portable electronic gadgets, renewable energy systems, and electric cars, among other things. In contrast,

classic direct current-direct current converters frequently encounter problems such as a high component count, complexity, and inefficiency when they are subjected to a wide variety of load circumstances. These problems can be caused by a wide range of load conditions. It is possible that a variety of causes are to blame for these problems. It is likely that conquering these problems will turn out to be a task that is far more challenging than expected. Given these factors, it is possible that their performance will be limited, and it is also possible that their size and cost would increase. Both of these outcomes are possible. This is a possibility for both of these events.

The fact that these problems have been identified has led to the development of a brand new inverter that is based on a numberless DC-DC



converter. This inverter was built as a means of addressing these problems. This one-of-a-kind technology is utilized, which ultimately leads to a rise in the converter's general effectiveness as well as its dependability. The architecture of the converter is decreased as a result of this utilization. To be successful in accomplishing this objective, it is vital to do away with the demand for a wide range of components, which are generally incorporated into conventional designs. Throughout the course of engineering history, the performance of DC-DC converters has been hindered by a number of significant issues. However, this one-of-a-kind converter solves those worries, making it possible to achieve ideal performance. The design of the converter has been simplified in order to address these issues, which have been brought to light. We have taken measures to address these issues.

Both the design of the inverter and the concepts that control its operation are the subjects of investigation in this research. This inquiry is primarily focused on the inverter that is based on the snubberless DC-DC converter as its principal subject. The innovative design achieves significant improvements in terms of efficiency, durability, and scalability, which enables it to have the potential to be an appealing option for a wide variety of applications that are used in the present period. In order to meet the purpose of this presentation, which is to underline the performance advantages that this new technology offers, an in-depth examination as well as the results of experiments will be offered. As an additional point of interest, a number of potential applications and future proposals for further optimization and implementation are presented, shedding light on the potentially revolutionary impact that this discovery could have on the field of power electronics. In addition, this article discusses a number of prospective future strategies that could be implemented.

## 2. REVIEW OF LITERATURE

in 2004. "A New Snubberless Bidirectional DC-  
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DC Converter" was authored by Keyune Smedley and Yan Deng. Without a snubber circuit, a brand-new DC-DC converter is described in this article. The principal aims of this design are to reduce switching loss and increase efficiency, rendering it highly suitable for implementation in inverter systems.

The paper "High-Efficiency Snubberless DC-DC Converter for Low Voltage Applications" (2006) by Stanchina Qahouq and Stanchina is primarily concerned with the snubberless DC-DC converter. This is the viewpoint of Jaber Abu. It is incumbent upon them to perform an exhaustive evaluation and hands-on experimentation of the converter's functionality in the course of their responsibilities.

A paper authored by Wenxing Liu and Liuchen Chang in 2007 examined a snubberless DC-DC converter that was specifically engineered for implementation in solar inverter systems. This 2007 article demonstrates the meticulous construction of a snubberless DC-DC converter using solar inverter systems as an illustrative case. Concerning the translator's capacity to maintain work quality despite fluctuating input conditions, the writers are primarily concerned.

Akshay K. Rathore and A. Shankar's 2008 article "A Novel Snubberless High-Frequency DC-DC Converter for Inverter Applications" is notable. Rathore and Shankar put forth an innovative high-frequency DC-DC converter design that completely obviates the necessity for snubbers. Their design for inverter applications is primarily focused on minimizing switching losses and improving thermal control.

As part of a 2010 paper, Kwanghee Nam and Taeksoo Park examined and constructed a snubberless DC-DC converter for microinverters. This article details the evaluation and implementation of a snubberless DC-DC converter that was developed with microinverters in mind. This article provides an abundance of information concerning the translator's dependability and precision.

2012 saw the publication of "Snubberless DC-DC



Converters for Efficient Power Conversion in Inverter Systems," authored by F. Blaabjerg and Y. Yang. In their paper, Blaabjerg and Yang (2012) examined the potential inverter system applications of snubberless DC-DC converters. The speed and thermal efficiency advantages of snubberless architecture are investigated.

In 2014, Anjaneyulu and Krishnamurthy composed a publication-ready work. "A Snubberless DC-DC Converter for Inverter Applications with Improved Efficiency." A snubberless DC-DC converter intended to increase the efficacy of an inverter is described in this 2014 paper. The authors provide experimental and theoretical data in support of their position.

In 2012, the paper "High-Efficiency Snubberless DC-DC Converter for Grid-Tied Inverters" was authored by T. Mishima and M. Nakaoka. Mishima and Nakaoka are engaged in the development of a snubberless DC-DC converter that serves as a highly efficient solution for grid-connected inverter systems. This research investigates the efficacy of the converter while it is linked to the electrical grid.

An examination of snubberless DC-DC converters' efficacy in

In 2018, an inquiry was undertaken to assess the efficacy of snubberless DC-DC converters across a range of inverter applications. The heat resistance, dependability, and efficacy of the converters are evaluated by the authors.

"Innovative Snubberless DC-DC Converter Design for Next-Generation Inverters," by M. Liserre and R. A. Mastromauro (2020). In 2020, Mastromauro and Liserre will introduce their innovative snubberless DC-DC converter design, which will primarily target the development of new inverters. Technological advancements and novel applications for the converter are elaborated upon in the article.

### 3. PROPOSED SYSTEM

The step-up conversion ratio of an inexpensive, high-performing dc/dc snubberless converter is substantial. Boost converters have consistently

been regarded as the optimal choice due to their straightforward circuit design and substantial voltage gain. In order to regulate the amount of power that can be utilized, forced shifting is implemented. Consequently, there has been a substantial escalation in both transition costs and system inefficiencies. A number of parallel power devices may be utilized in order to enhance performance. As a result, it is not feasible to minimize fluctuations in the input and exit currents using this approach. Interleaved architecture offers several benefits, including increased power output, reduced current disturbance, enhanced transient responsiveness, simplified heat dissipation, and smaller passive components. Because rigid switches are utilized in power apparatus, they frequently operate less efficiently.

Facilitating the transition for all semiconductor devices constitutes the objective of this endeavor. In voltage clipping, a novel secondary modulation technique obviates the need for snubbers. During periods of zero voltage and current, switching losses are significantly diminished. Soft switching maintains its consistency despite variations in input voltage and power, rendering it load-independent. It arrives with pre-installed software. PV systems are compatible with it. In contemporary times, boost converters and high-frequency transformers are both employed to increase the power output. Additionally, the input and output stages of the boost converter can be isolated. The suggested boost converter has a higher step-up conversion ratio, is more cost-effective, and is easier to operate in comparison to alternative models. Due to the duty cycle and switch voltage, the conventional boost converter was under considerable duress.

#### MODE 1( $t_0 < t < t_1$ )

A thorough analysis is conducted on the high step-up dc-dc converter that is the subject of discussion, with an elaborate explanation of its steady-state operation. To enhance understanding of the proposed system, we maintain the following viewpoint:

A constant current is maintained by a large boost inductor  $L$ . Each component is manufactured with the utmost precision. The series inductors  $L_{lk1}$  and  $L_{lk2}$  contain the leakage inductances of the transformer. In order to obtain  $L_{m\_T}$ ,  $L_{lk1}$  and  $L_{lk2}$  must be multiplied. Transformers possess an exceptionally high resistance to magnetization.

The stable-state working waveforms illustrate that signals that are 180 degrees out of phase activate and deactivate the main switches  $S1$  and  $S2$ . Ensure that the duty cycle remains at or above 50%. The waveforms, as illustrated in Figure 3, aid comprehension of the proposed system the initial mode. In order to transfer current from the anti-parallel body diode  $D3$  to the primary side switch  $S2$ , the secondary side switch must be utilized. The burden is engaged by the HF transformer of the system. The reflected output voltage  $V_{DC}/n$  is utilized by the primary device  $S1$  to obstruct the flow of current, replacing the secondary device  $S4$ . The currents in each section are denoted by the following integers:  $i_{S1} = 0$ ,  $i_{S2} = I_{in}$ ,  $i_{D3} = I_{in}/n$ , and  $i_{L_{lk1}} = 0$ . Indicated by the notation  $V_{DC}/n$  is the voltage across switch  $S1$ . As the  $S4$  switch is toggled,  $V_{S4}$  is converted to  $V_{DC}$ .

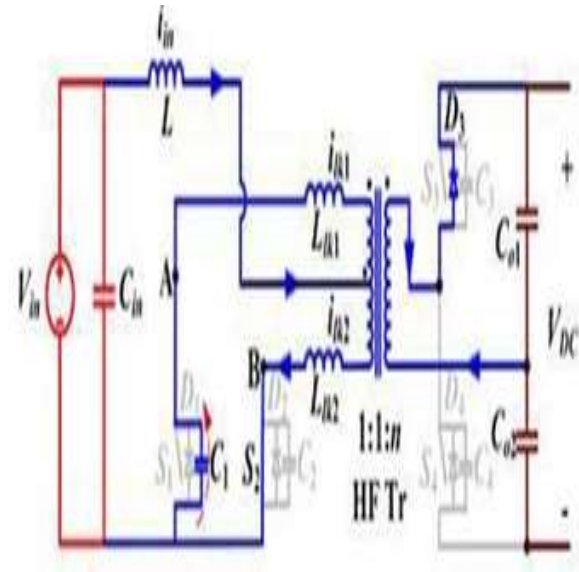


Fig-2: Mode2

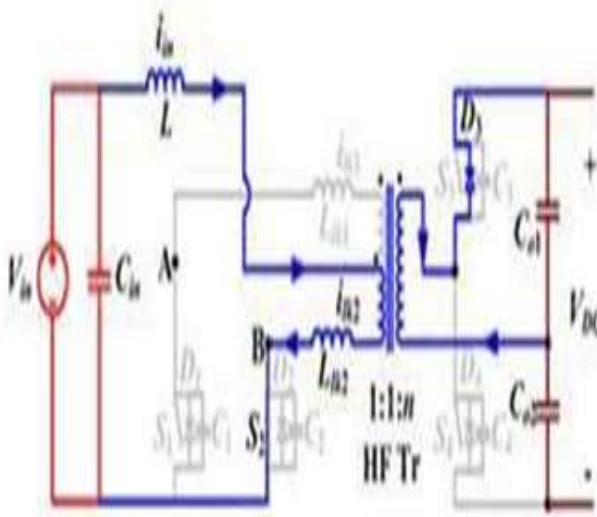


Fig-1: Mode1

**MODE 2( $t_1 < t < t_2$ )**

At time  $t_1$ , the principal switch  $S1$  becomes active. Following that, the current in capacitor  $C1$  drains swiftly. Following the conclusion of  $S1$ 's mission,  $C1$  is discharged.



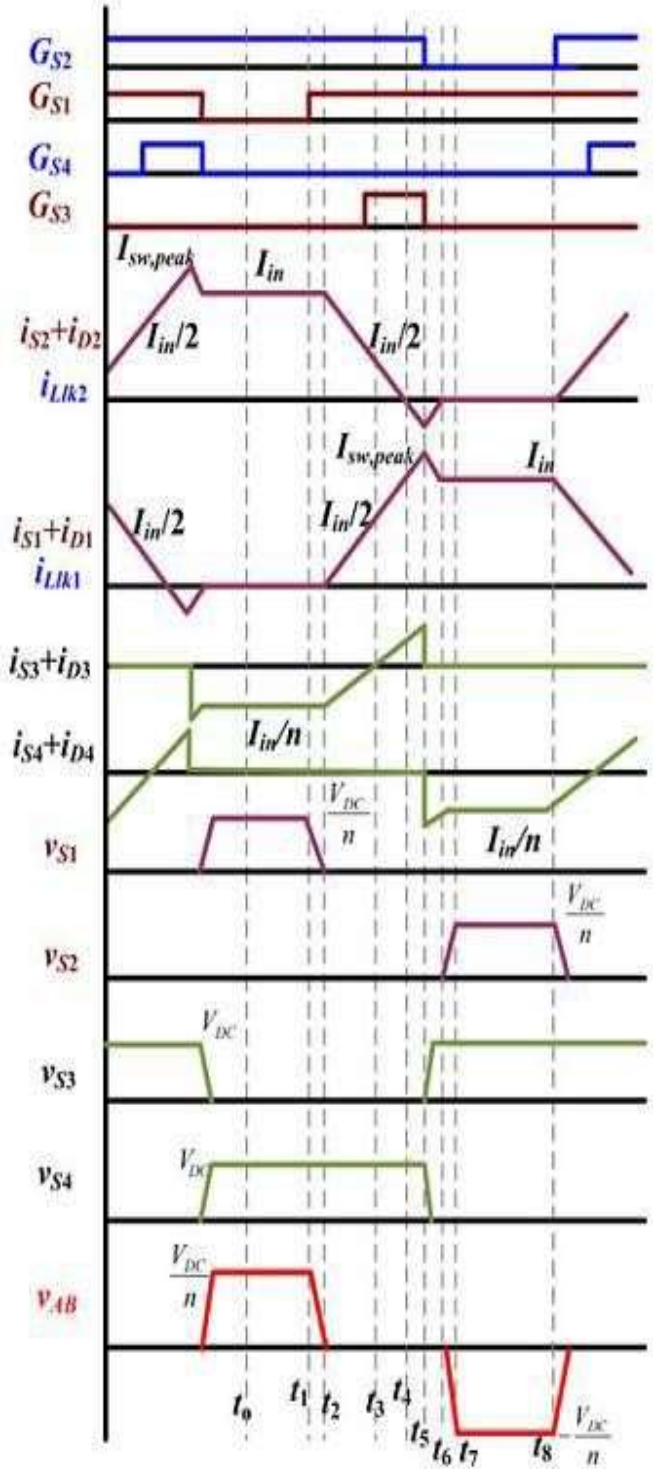


Fig-3: Waveforms of the proposed system

**MODE 3(t2<t<t3)**

S1 and S2 are the principal switches that can be accessed by selecting this option. Current flows through series inductors Lk1 and Lk2, which represent the output voltage, when S2 is toggled to S1. Suddenly, the flow of electricity through device S2 ceases. Power is not supplied to switch S1 so as to minimize turn-on losses. Before this time-out occurs, the body diode is conducted via

D3. Pressing and holding the S3 button causes the ZVS to engage. This will be followed by a modification to the standing of D3. Each substantial apparatus possesses a current that approaches  $I_{in}/2$ . The total quantities are denoted as  $i_{D3} = 0$ ,  $i_{S1} = I_{in}/2$ ,  $i_{Lk1} = I_{in}/2$ , and  $i_{Lk2} = I_{in}/2$ .

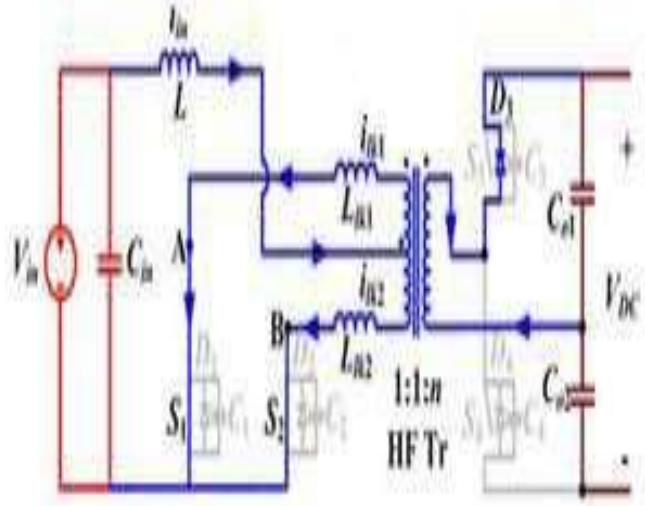


Fig-4: Mode3

**MODE 4(t3<t<t4)**

Mode 4 has the secondary side switch S3 on and no. When Mode 4 is selected, the voltage on the secondary side switch S3 remains constant. During period 3, the currents passing through each switching device either increase or diminish. Zero Current Commutation (ZCS) autonomously modifies the main side switch S2 when this time limit expires. ZCS is certain to transpire when  $i_{S2}$  equals zero. The supplementary device S1 makes use of the incoming current. The final values are as follows:  $i_{Lk1} = i_{S1} = I_{in}$ ,  $i_{S3} = I_{in}/n$ , and  $i_{Lk2} = i_{S2} = 0$ .

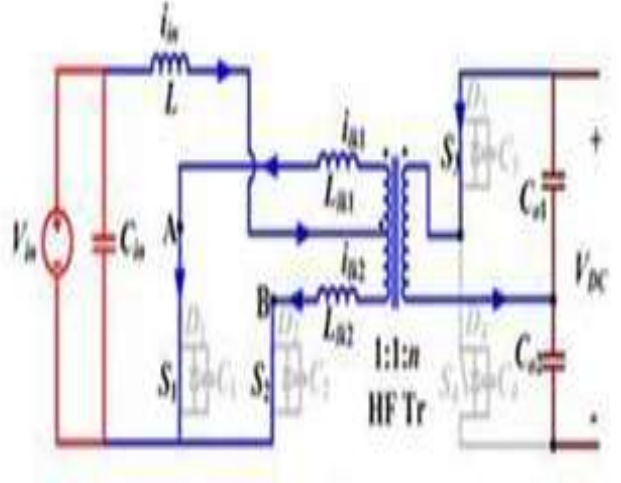


Fig-5: Mode4

**MODE 5( $t_4 < t < t_5$ )**

Current flows through the anti-parallel body diode D2 at the same rate as the increase in  $i_{Lk1}$ 's current. A protracted zero voltage is applied across the commutated switch S2 in order to deactivate the ZCS. It is critical that you shut down the S3 backup device without delay. The current through Switch S1 is limited in its capacity after five cycles.

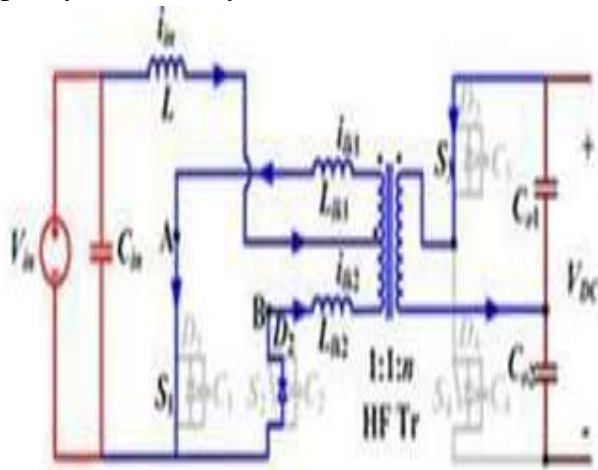


Fig-6: Mode5

**MODE 6( $t_5 < t < t_6$ )**

When in mode six, the secondary side switch S3 is deactivated. The switch S4 incorporates an anti-parallel body diode D4 which possesses remarkable current-carrying capacity. the voltage by which the polarity of the primary switches of the transformer is determined. By utilizing the body diodes D2 and the switch S1, current is diminished. Upon the passage of this time interval, the circuit will transition between the two states instantaneously as the current through D2 becomes negative. The current flows from S1 to  $i_{in}$  via S1.

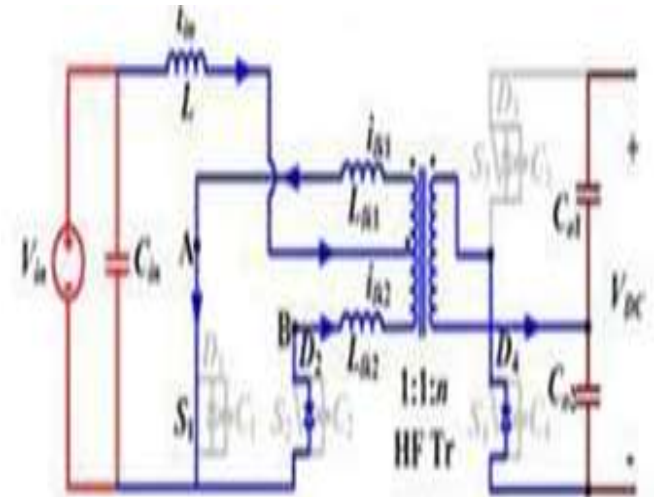


Fig-7: Mode6

**MODE 7( $t_6 < t < t_7$ )**

Capacitor C2 sustains a charge of  $V_{DC}/n$  throughout this period despite rapidly charging. Activating the block route feature on Switch S2.

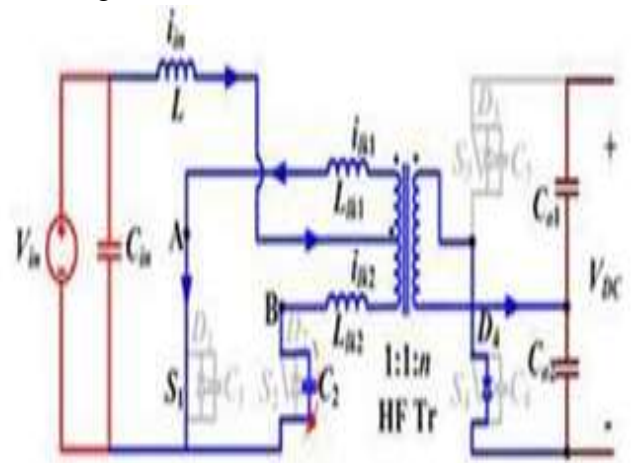


Fig-8: Mode7

**MODE8( $t_7 < t < t_8$ )**

At  $i_{in}$ , neither S1 nor the currents of the transformer change. The current traverses the anti-parallel body diode ( $i_{in}/n$ ) located in the secondary switch D4.  $i_{D4} = i_{in}/n$ ;  $i_{Lk2} = i_{S2} = 0$ ; and  $i_{S1} = i_{in}$  represent the last three digits. The voltage across switch S2 is represented in volts direct current ( $V_{DC}/n$ ) by  $V_{S2}$ . The reversed flow of electricity through the transformer is the result of switch S2 inadvertently supplying power to switch S1.

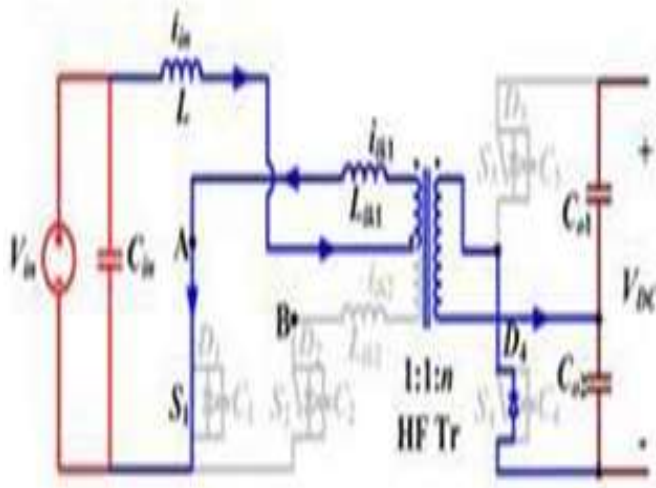


Fig-9: Mode8

#### 4. SIMULATION RESULTS

The presented component is a Simulink model of the system under consideration. Pulses can be produced, reverse direct current can be converted to direct current, and a full-bridge converter can be powered.

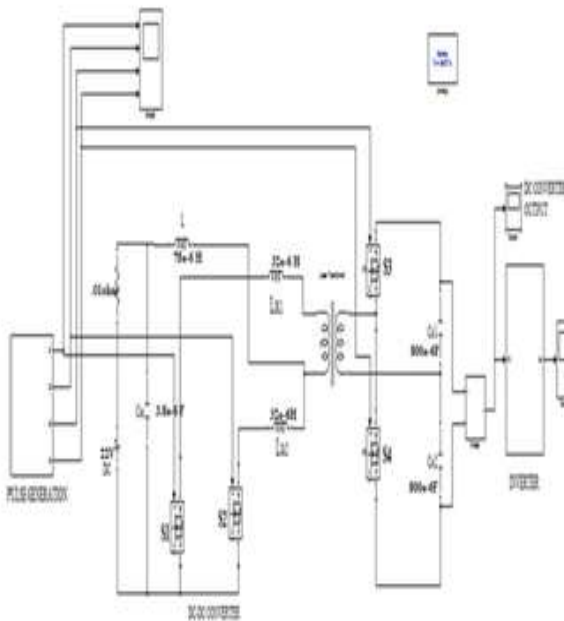


Fig-10: Simulink Model of Suggested System  
 Waves are generated by switches S1, S2, S3, and S4 via pulse width modulation (PWM). In order to generate pulse width modulation (PWM) signals, a triangular carrier wave is utilized to compare the duty cycle ratios of each switch. A transition in the carrier wave occurs at 10 kHz.

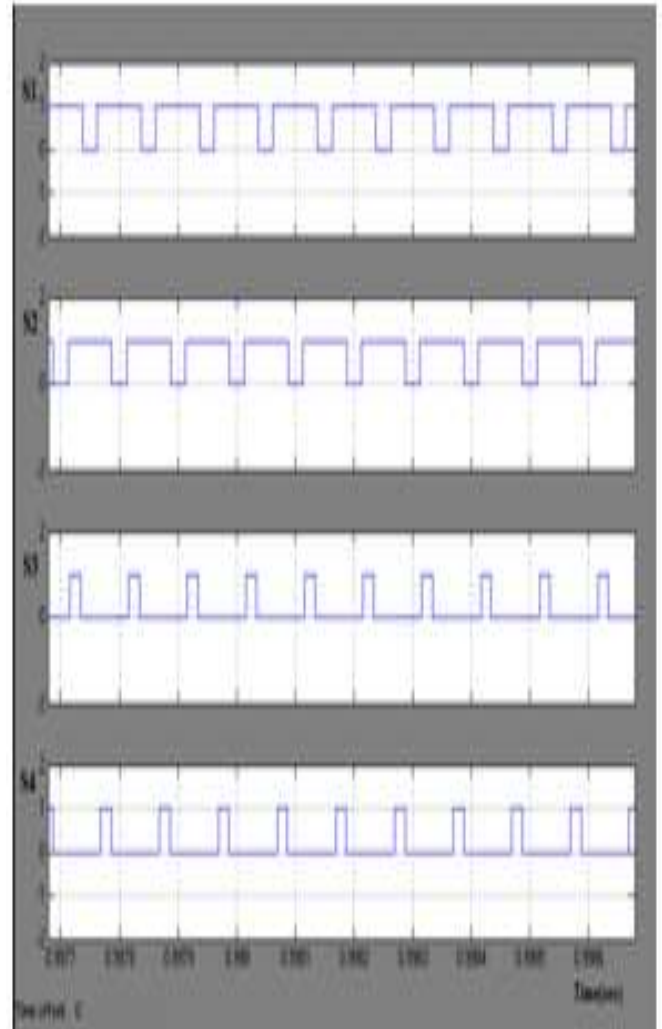


Fig-11: DC-DC converter switching pulses

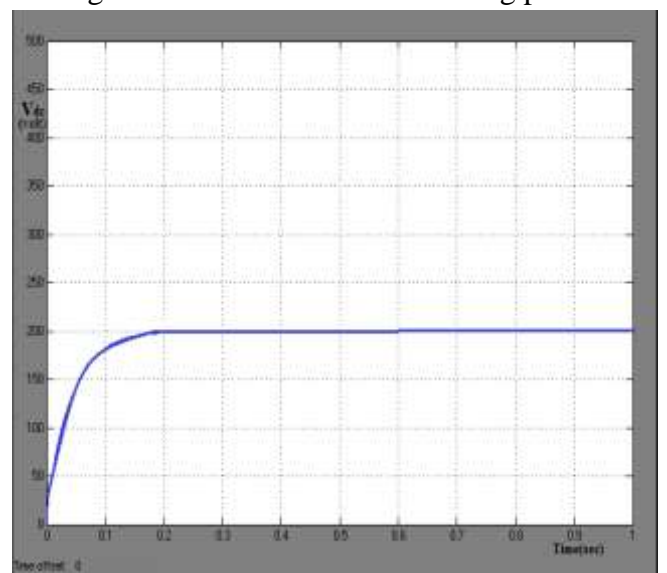


Fig-12: The output of a DC-DC converter without snubbers



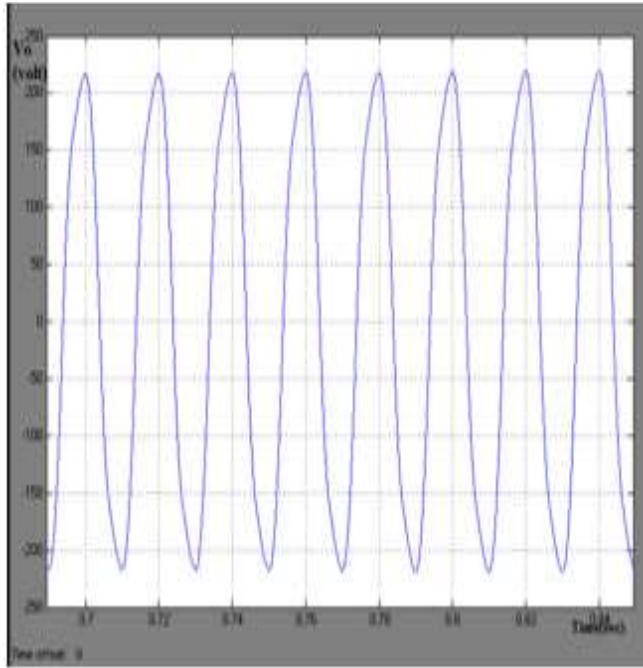


Fig-13:Full bridge 12V output

## 5. CONCLUSION

This The absence of snubbers enables this dc-to-dc converter inverter to execute seamless transitions. Inverters that employ dc-dc converters snubber circuits frequently. As a result of the losses they incur, devices with high ON-state resistance and flowing current progressively lose efficiency. The cost and dimensions of the machine are determined by the number of components it comprises. In this fashion, the proposed method takes advantage of secondary modulation. Doubly modulated secondary output and the absence of snubber circuits are two characteristics of dc-dc converters. Precise switching functions, including zero voltage and zero current toggling, are made possible by this. An adapter for converting 12V to 200V of alternating current is included. The following stage is to connect the output of the dc-dc converter to the bridge inverter in its entirety. Alternators generate alternating current (AC), which is beneficial for both devices and the power grid. Its finest attributes consist of low conduction and switching losses, a high step-up conversion ratio, and outstanding performance.

Energy storage systems, fuel cell vehicles, and residential photovoltaic systems all make

extensive use of inverters that incorporate snubberless dc/dc converters. The devised system was developed utilizing the Simulink software, which is a Matlab application.

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