

# VOLTAGE CONTROL OF INVERTERS

## VOLTAGE CONTROL OF SINGLE-PHASE INVERTERS

### Single-Pulse-Width Modulation

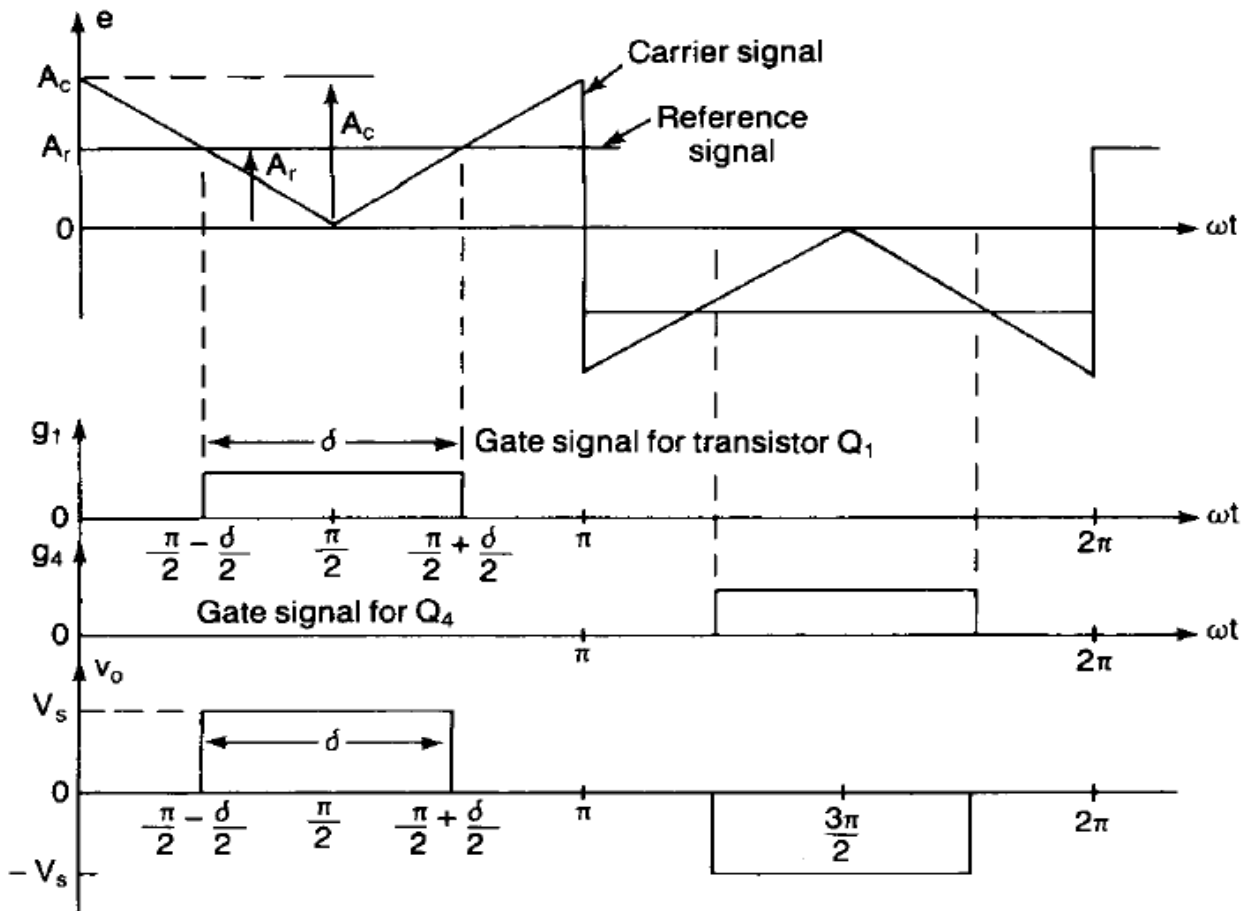


Figure 8-9 Single-pulse-width modulation.

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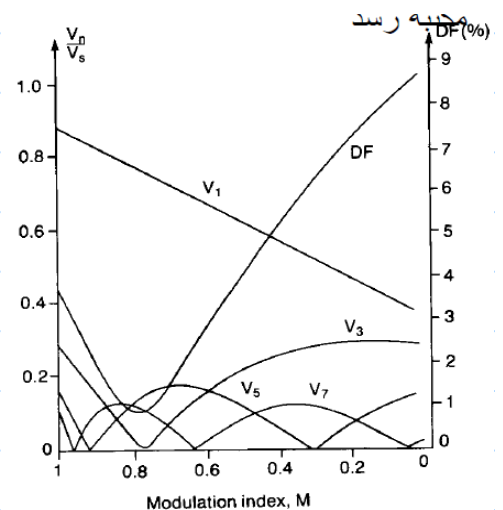
$$M = \frac{A_r}{A_c}$$

The rms output voltage can be found from

$$V_o = \left[ \frac{2}{2\pi} \int_{(\pi-\delta)/2}^{(\pi+\delta)/2} V_s^2 d(\omega t) \right]^{1/2} = V_s \sqrt{\frac{\delta}{\pi}}$$

The Fourier series of output voltage yields

$$v_o(t) = \sum_{n=1,3,5,\dots}^{\infty} \frac{4V_s}{n\pi} \sin \frac{n\delta}{2} \sin n\omega t$$



# Multiple-Pulse-Width Modulation

uniform pulse-width modulation (UPWM)

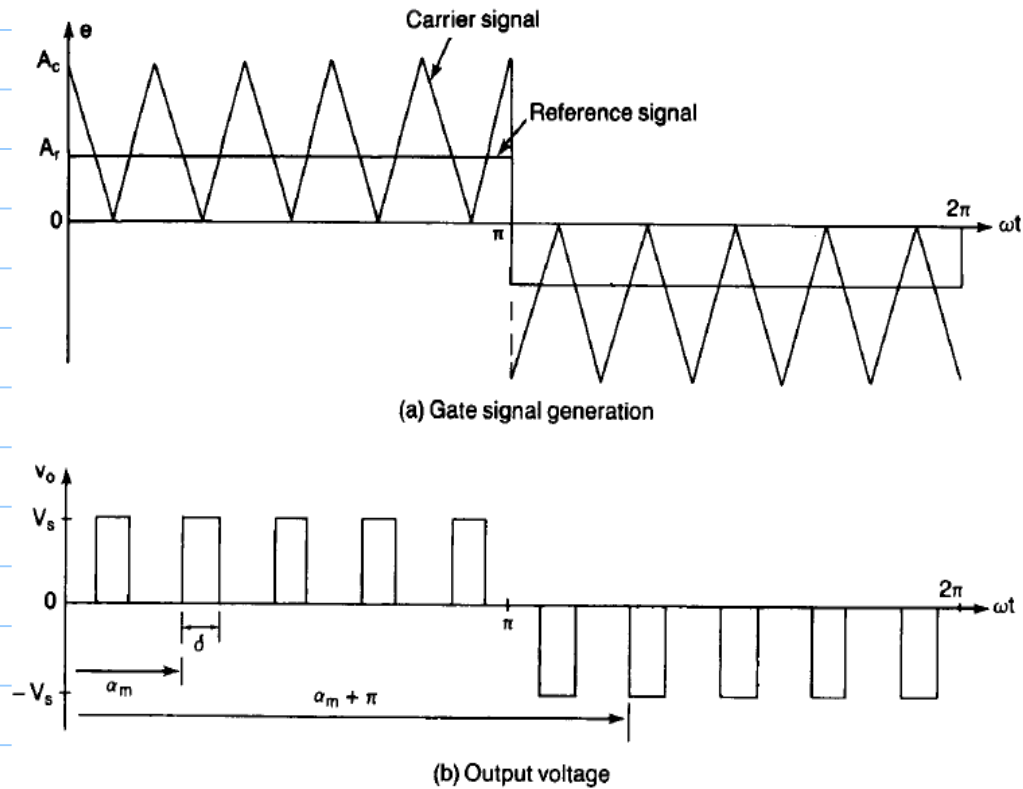


Figure 8-11 Multiple-pulse-width modulation.

The number of pulses per half-cycle is found from

$$N = \frac{f_c}{2f_o}$$

If  $\delta$  is the width of each pulse, the rms output voltage can be found from

$$V_o = \left[ \frac{2p}{2\pi} \int_{(\pi/p - \delta)/2}^{(\pi/p + \delta)/2} V_s^2 d(\omega t) \right]^{1/2} = V_s \sqrt{\frac{p\delta}{\pi}} \quad (8-21)$$

The general form of a Fourier series for the instantaneous output voltage is

$$v_o(t) = \sum_{n=1,3,5,\dots}^{\infty} (A_n \cos n\omega t + B_n \sin n\omega t) \quad ($$

If the positive pulse of  $m$ th pair starts at  $\omega t = \alpha_m$  and ends at  $\omega t = \alpha_m + \pi$ , the Fourier coefficients for a pair of pulses are

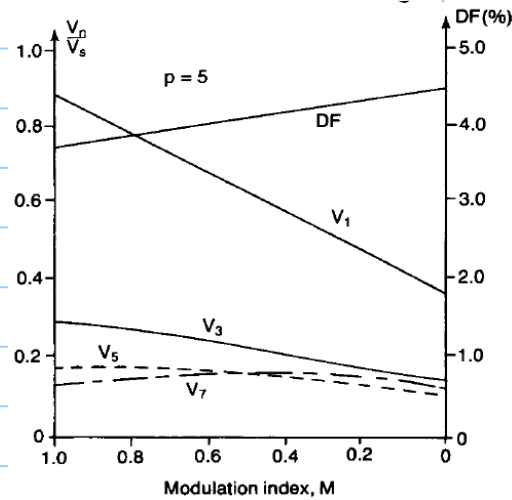
$$\begin{aligned} a_n &= \frac{2V_s}{\pi} \int_{\alpha_m}^{\alpha_m + \delta} \cos n\omega t d(\omega t) = \frac{2V_s}{n\pi} [\sin n(\alpha_m + \delta) - \sin n\alpha_m] \\ &= \frac{4V_s}{n\pi} \sin \frac{n\delta}{2} \cos n\left(\alpha_m + \frac{\delta}{2}\right) \end{aligned} \quad (8-23)$$

$$\begin{aligned} b_n &= \frac{2V_s}{\pi} \int_{\alpha_m}^{\alpha_m + \delta} \sin n\omega t d(\omega t) = \frac{2V_s}{n\pi} [\cos n\alpha_m - \cos n(\alpha_m + \delta)] \\ &= \frac{4V_s}{n\pi} \sin \frac{n\delta}{2} \sin n\left(\alpha_m + \frac{\delta}{2}\right) \end{aligned} \quad (8-24)$$

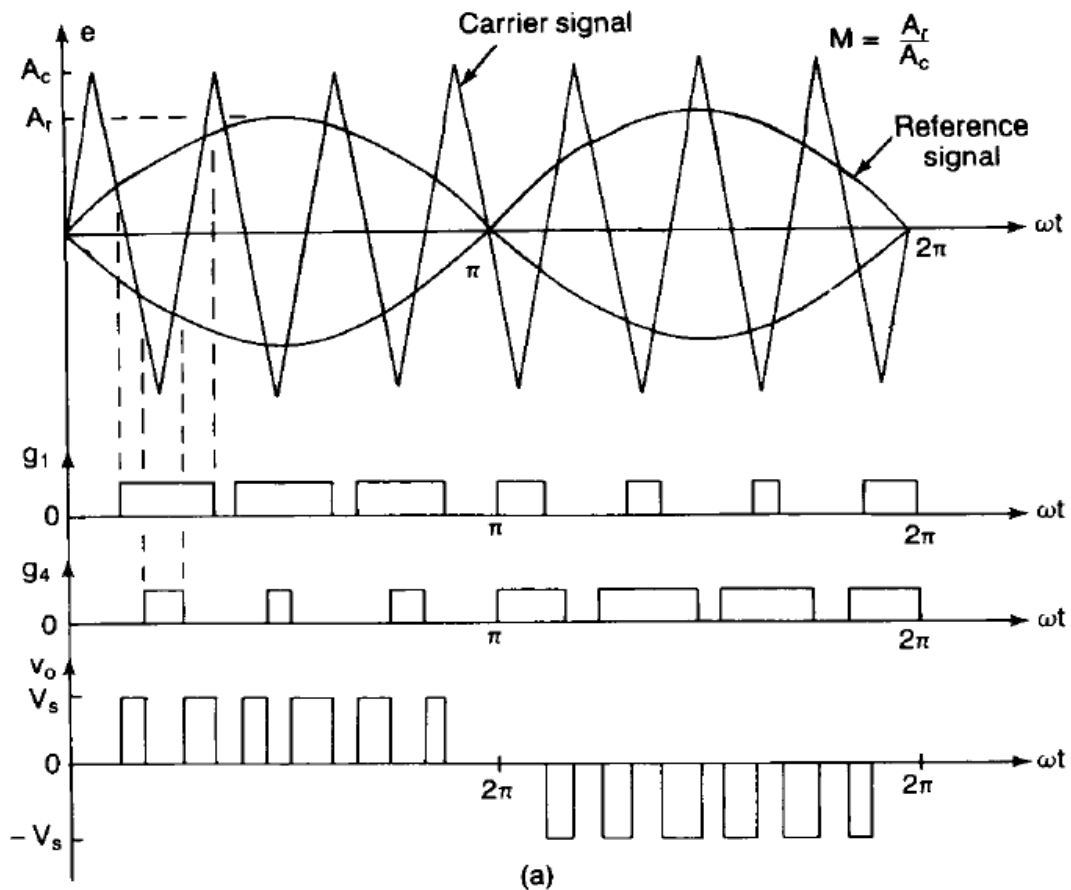
The coefficients of Eq. (8-22) can be found by adding the effects of all pulses,

$$A_n = \sum_{m=1}^p \frac{4V_s}{n\pi} \sin \frac{n\delta}{2} \cos n\left(\alpha_m + \frac{\delta}{2}\right) \quad (8-25)$$

$$B_n = \sum_{m=1}^p \frac{4V_s}{n\pi} \sin \frac{n\delta}{2} \sin n\left(\alpha_m + \frac{\delta}{2}\right) \quad (8-26)$$



## Sinusoidal Pulse-Width Modulation



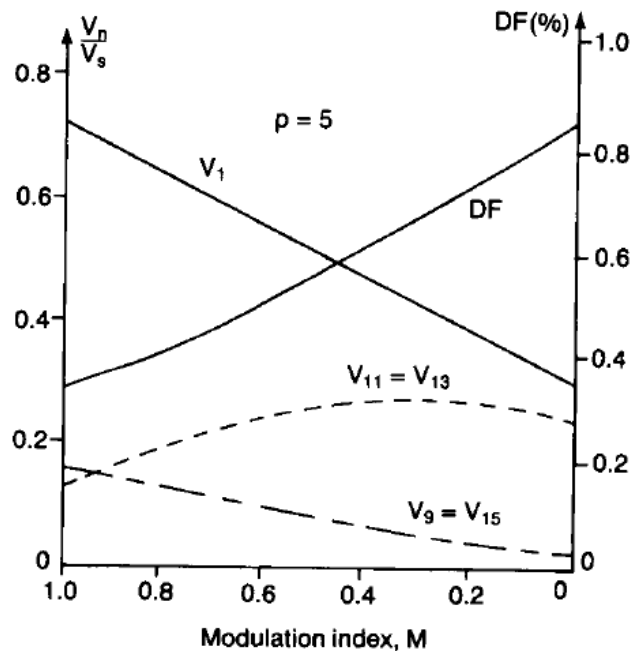
If  $\delta_m$  is the width of  $m$ th pulse, Eq. (8-21) can be extended to find the rms output voltage

$$V_o = V_s \left( \sum_{m=1}^p \frac{\delta_m}{\pi} \right)^{1/2}$$

$$A_n = \sum_{m=1}^p \frac{2V_s}{n\pi} [\sin n(\alpha_m + \delta_m) - \sin n\alpha_m]$$

$$B_n = \sum_{m=1}^p \frac{2V_s}{n\pi} [\cos n\alpha_m - \cos n(\alpha_m + \delta_m)]$$

all harmonics less than or equal to  $2p - 1 = 9$



## VOLTAGE CONTROL OF THREE-PHASE INVERTERS

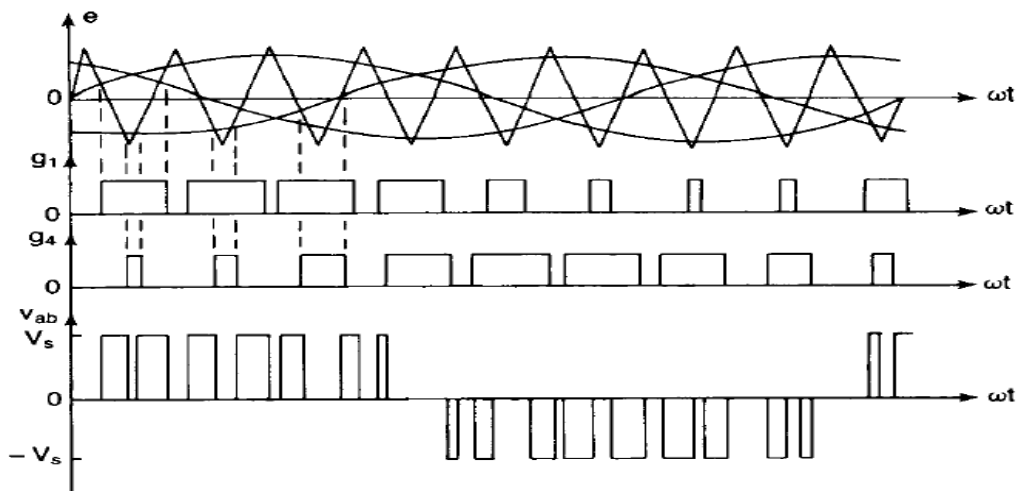


Figure 8-17 Sinusoidal pulse width modulation for three-phase inverter.

### Example 8-1

A single-phase half-bridge inverter in Fig. 8-1a has a resistive load of  $R = 2.4 \Omega$  and the dc input voltage is  $V_s = 48 \text{ V}$ . Determine the (a) rms output voltage at the fundamental frequency,  $V_1$ ; (b) output power,  $P_o$ ; (c) average and peak currents of each transistor; (d) peak reverse blocking voltage of each transistor,  $V_B$ ; (e) total harmonic distortion, THD; (f) distortion factor, DF; and (g) harmonic factor and distortion factor of the lowest-order harmonic.

**Solution**  $V_s = 48 \text{ V}$  and  $R = 2.4 \Omega$ .

(a) From Eq. (8-3),  $V_1 = 0.45 \times 48 = 21.6 \text{ V}$ .

(b) From Eq. (8-1),  $V_o = V_s/2 = 48/2 = 24 \text{ V}$ . The output power,  $P_o = V_o^2/R = 24^2/2.4 = 240 \text{ W}$ .

(c) The peak transistor current,  $I_p = 24/2.4 = 10 \text{ A}$ . Since each transistor conducts for a 50% duty cycle, the average current of each transistor is  $I_D = 0.5 \times 10 = 5 \text{ A}$ .

(d) The peak reverse blocking voltage,  $V_B = 2 \times 24 = 48 \text{ V}$ .

(e) From Eq. (8-3),  $V_1 = 0.45V_s$  and

$$\left( \sum_{n=3,5,7,\dots}^{\infty} V_n^2 \right)^{1/2} = (V_o^2 - V_1^2)^{1/2} = 0.2176V_s$$

From Eq. (8-5),  $\text{THD} = 0.2176V_s/(0.45V_s) = 48.34\%$ .

(f) From Eq. (8-2),

$$\left[ \sum_{n=3,5,\dots}^{\infty} \left( \frac{V_n}{n^2} \right)^2 \right]^{1/2} = \left[ \left( \frac{V_3}{3} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{V_5}{5} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{V_7}{7} \right)^2 + \dots \right]^{1/2} = 0.01712V_s$$

From Eq. (8-6),  $\text{DF} = 0.01712V_s/(0.45V_s) = 3.804\%$ .

(g) The lowest-order harmonic is the third,  $V_3 = V_1/3$ . From Eq. (8-4),  $\text{HF}_3 = V_3/V_1 = 1/3 = 33.33\%$ , and from Eq. (8-7),  $\text{DF}_3 = (V_3/3^2)/V_1 = 1/27 = 3.704\%$ .

### Example 8-5

A single-phase full-bridge inverter controls the power in a resistive load. The nominal value of input dc voltage is  $V_s = 220 \text{ V}$  and a uniform pulse-width modulation with five pulses per half-cycle is used. For the required control, the width of each pulse is  $30^\circ$ . (a) Determine the rms voltage of the load. (b) If the dc supply increases by 10%, determine the pulse width to maintain the same load power. (c) If the maximum possible pulse width is  $35^\circ$ , determine the minimum allowable limit of the dc input source.

**Solution** (a)  $V_s = 220 \text{ V}$ ,  $p = 5$ , and  $\delta = 30^\circ$ . From Eq. (8-21),  $V_o = 220 \sqrt{5} \times 30/180 = 200.8 \text{ V}$ .

(b)  $V_s = 1.1 \times 220 = 242 \text{ V}$ . Using Eq. (8-21),  $242 \sqrt{5\delta/180} = 200.8$  and this gives the required value of pulse width,  $\delta = 24.75^\circ$ .

(c) To maintain the output voltage of 200.8 at the maximum possible pulse width of  $\delta = 35^\circ$ , the input voltage can be found from  $200.8 = V_s \sqrt{5} \times 35/180$ , and this yields the minimum allowable input voltage,  $V_s = 203.64 \text{ V}$ .