# **Lecture 3 – Modulation**

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#### Summary An inductance keeps a current "constant"





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#### Summary A capacitance keeps a voltage "constant"





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## **Some fundamental topologies**





# **Converter topologies**

#### Remember:

- 1 side capacitive
- 1 side inductive
- ALWAYS!



# Modulation - Control of voltage time area

$$v_{c} = \begin{cases} v_{a} \text{ when } s = 1 \\ v_{b} \text{ when } s = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$u = s \cdot (v_{a} - v_{b}) = s \cdot u_{k} = \begin{cases} u_{k} \text{ when } s = 1 \\ 0 \text{ when } s = 0 \end{cases}$$

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# Output voltage



е

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## **Voltage control options**

Assume a limited pulse interval T and a slowly varying switching voltage  $u_k$ 

$$Y_0 = \int_0^T u_k \cdot dt$$
$$u_k(\tau_+) = -\frac{dy(\tau_+)}{d\tau_+}$$
$$u_k(\tau_-) = \frac{dy(\tau_-)}{d\tau_-}$$



 $\overline{\tau}_+$ 

n

T





## **Control with positive flank**

$$y(\tau_{+}) = \int_{\tau_{+}}^{T} u_{k} \cdot dt = Y_{0} - \int_{0}^{\tau_{+}} u_{k} \cdot dt$$



### **Control with negative flank**





# **Control with both flanks**

$$Y_{0} = \int_{0}^{T/2} u_{k} \cdot dt$$

$$y(\tau_{+}, \tau_{-}) = y_{+} + y_{-}$$

$$y_{+} = \int_{\tau_{+}}^{T/2} u_{k} \cdot dt = Y_{0} - \int_{0}^{\tau_{+}} u_{k} \cdot dt$$

$$y_{-} = \int_{T/2}^{T/2 + \tau_{-}} u_{k} \cdot dt$$
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#### **Carrier wave modulation**

- A reference value y\* for the desired average voltage over one switching period is calculated by an external control system
- A modulation signal  $y_m$  is generated, such that  $y(t)=y_m(t)$
- The reference is compared to the modulation signal to determine the switching instants.







#### Voltage time area vs. average voltage

- This far the modulation has been described with voltage time areas, both regarding the estimate of the output voltage time area as a function of the switching time instant, i.e. the modulating wave  $y_m$ , and the references for the output voltage time areas  $y^*$ .
- In the following sections and chapters, voltage time area is replaced with average voltages.







 $u_m$ 

# **PWM-controlled dc converters**











-Udo/2

u





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### Two quadrant DC converters : I



### Two quadrant DC converters : II



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#### 2-quadrant DC converters : III

Current sampling - how often?

- When the carrier turns, i.e. With twice the switching frequency!







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# **Blanking Time + Voltage Drops**





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#### 4 – quadrant DC converters



- Bridge connected
  - 2 phase potentials:
    - Only 1 output voltage = 1 degree of freedom to be used for other purposes.

## 4-quadrant DC converters

$$u *= v_a^* - v_b^*$$
  

$$alt1: v_a^* = sign(u *) \cdot \frac{U_{dc}}{2} \Rightarrow v_b^* = v_a^* - u *= sign(u *) \cdot \frac{U_{dc}}{2} - u *$$
  

$$alt2: v_a^* = -v_b^* \Rightarrow v_a^* - v_b^* = 2 \cdot v_a^* \Rightarrow \begin{cases} v_a^* = \frac{u *}{2} \\ v_b^* = -\frac{u *}{2} \end{cases}$$

#### 4-quadrant DC converters – alt 1





#### **4-quadrant DC converters – alt 2**





## Example

#### • Sampling and symmetry ...



## 2-Q DC converters

- Bidirectional power
  - *u*>0, *i* bidirectional
- Equivalent switch:



## Modulation of a 2Q DC converter

 $\frac{di}{dt} = \frac{(u - e - R \cdot i)}{L}$ 

- Only positive output voltages
- Currents both positive and negative
- Example:
  - Udc=600;
  - La=1e-3;
  - Ra=0.1;
  - ea=400;
  - Ts=100e-6
  - u\* = 400 + Ra\*10





# **To Simulink**



## **One more 2Q example**

- To reduce current ripple
- Example:
  - Udc=600;
  - La=1e-3;
  - Ra=0.1;
  - ea=400;
  - Ts=25e-6 (much higher switching frequency)
  - u\* = 400 + Ra\*10
- DC side: PWM current
- AC side: PWM voltage



