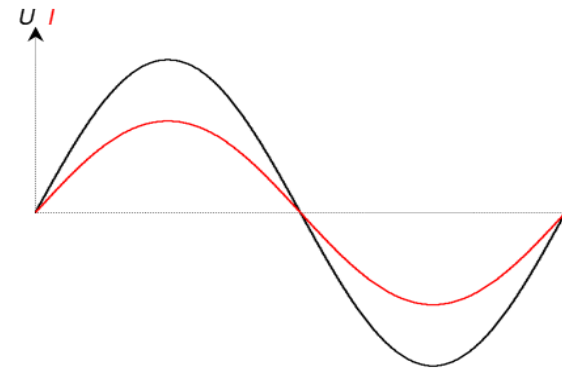
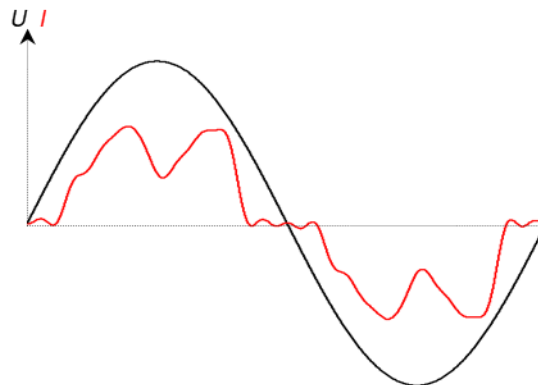
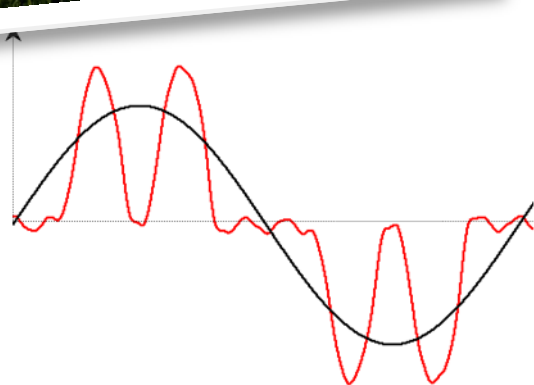


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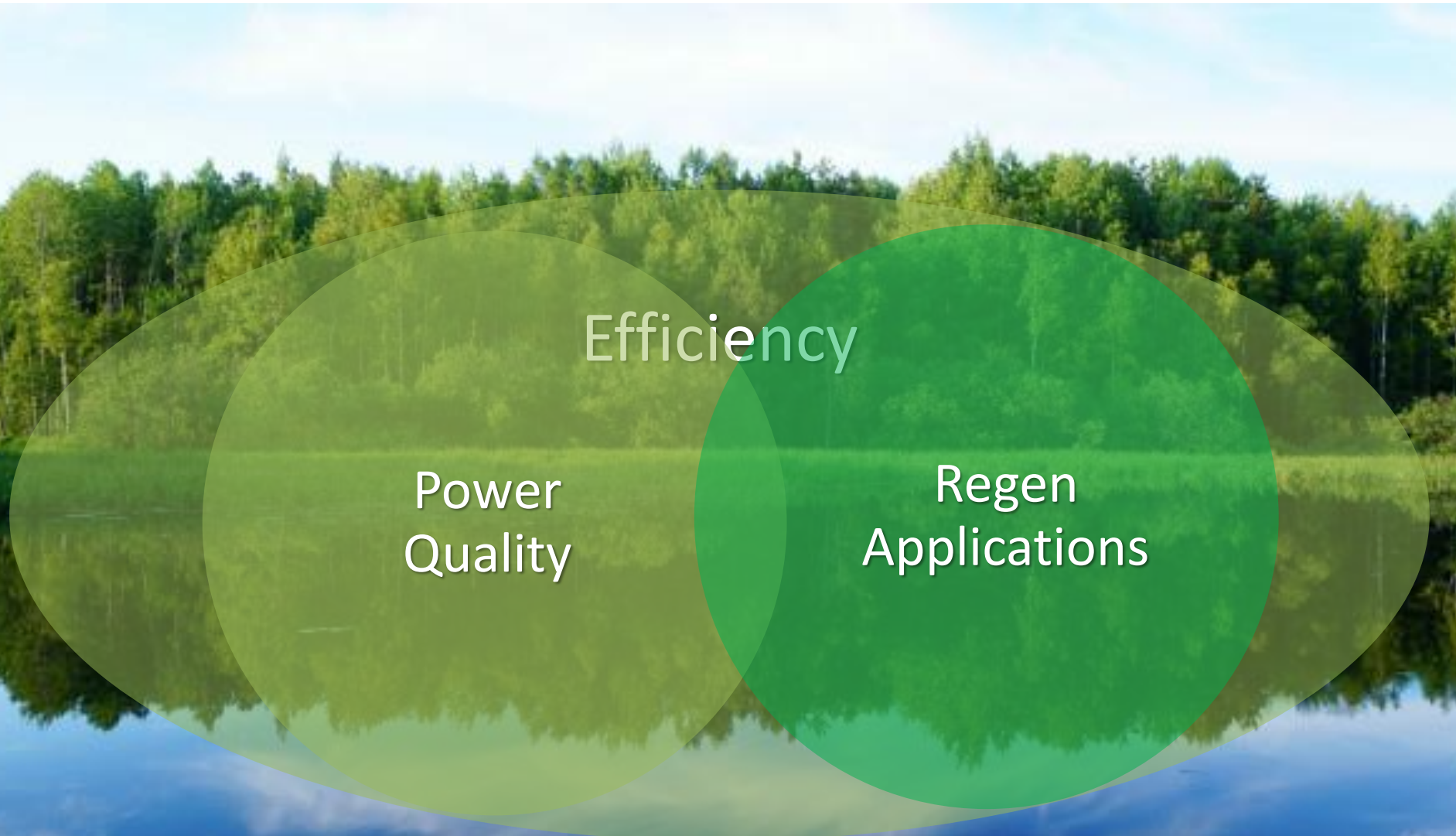
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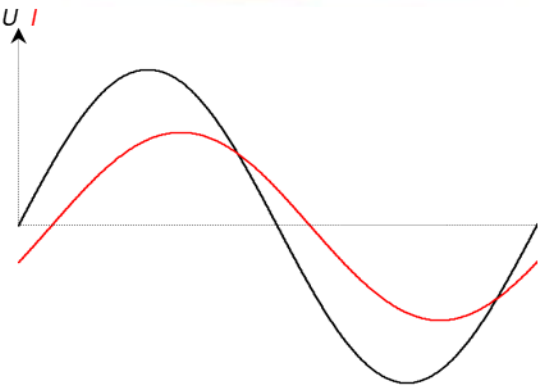
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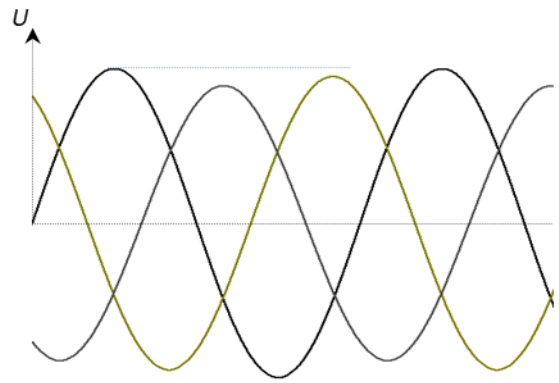
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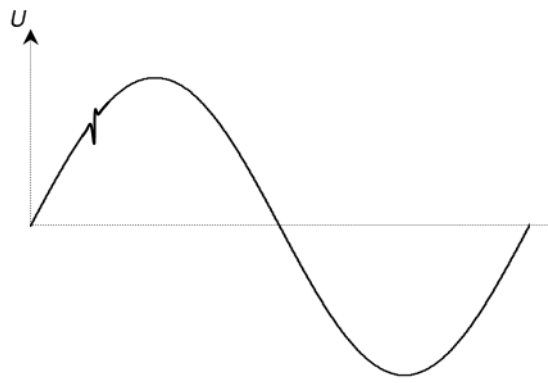
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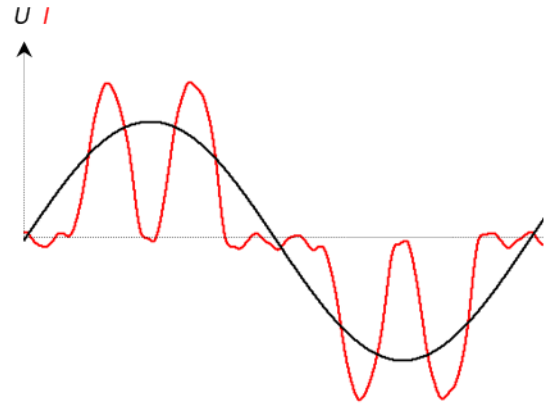
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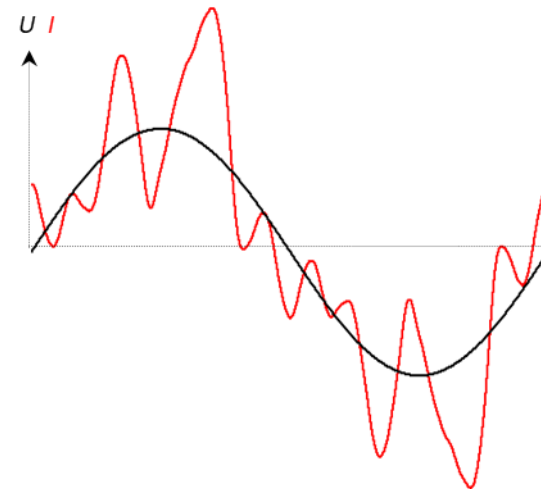
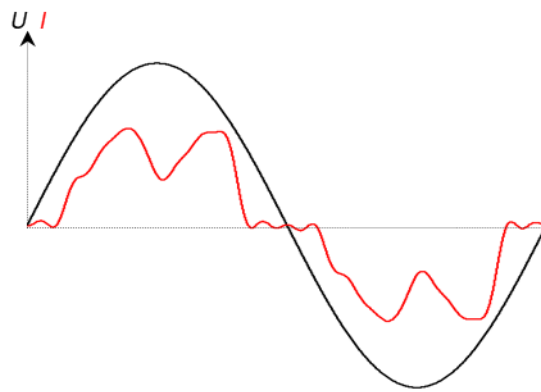
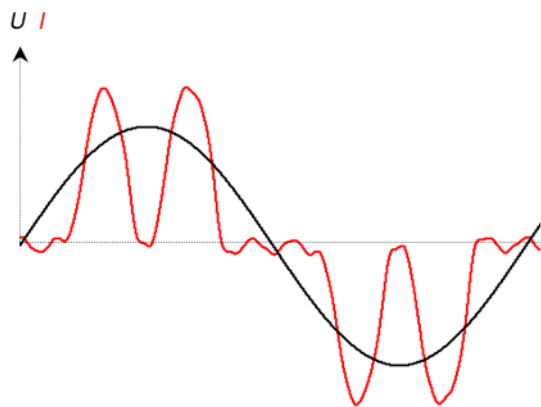


Transients



Harmonic distortion

Power Quality - non-linear loads



Rectifier with no/low inductance

Current shape is significantly different from sinus. Significant distortion.

Typical equipment: 6-Pulse rectifier without inductance. (e.g.: low power or low quality drives)

Rectifier with ~4% inductance

Current shape is significantly different from sinus, but fundamental part is significantly higher than without choke.

Typical equipment: 6-Pulse rectifier with 4% DC-inductance. (e.g.: quality drives)

Mix of non-linear loads

High distortion: The current shape is extremely different from sinus.

Typical equipment: mix of single phase and 6-Pulse rectifier without inductance.

Harmonics - composed frequencies

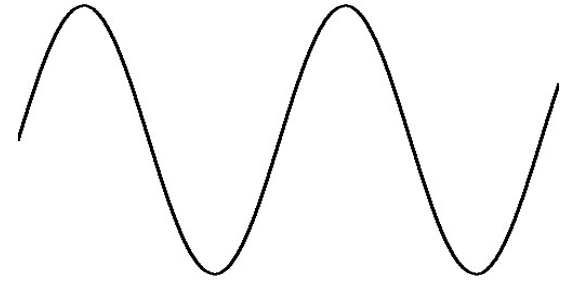
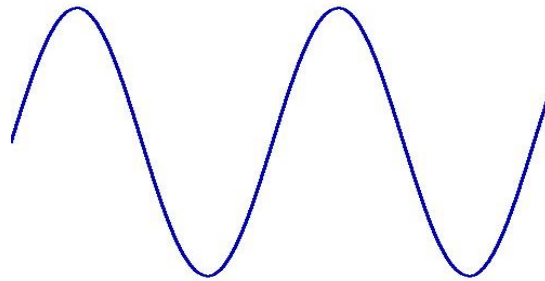


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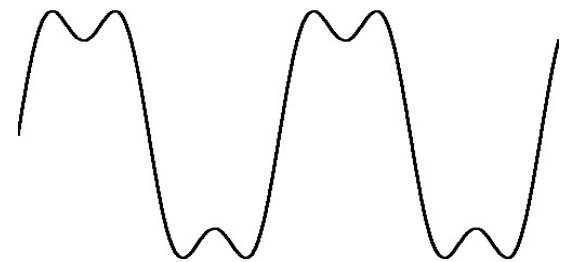
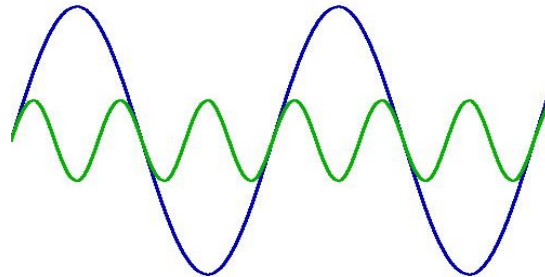
Individual frequencies

Composed frequencies

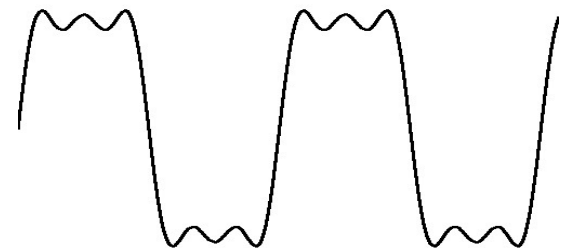
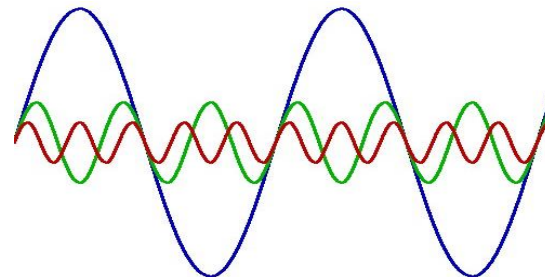
Fundamental frequency



Fundamental frequency
+ 3rd Harmonic



Fundamental frequency
+ 3rd Harmonic
+ 5th Harmonic



Harmonic distortion - evaluation of harmonics



The harmonic frequency is defined by:

(n = harmonic number)

$$f_h = n \cdot \text{fundamental frequency}$$

Example for $n = 11$ (11th harmonic) in a 50Hz network:

$$f_{h11} = 11 \cdot 50\text{Hz} = 550\text{Hz}$$

The harmonic current is the amplitude value of the corresponding frequency.

$$I_{h11} = \text{current amplitude of the 550Hz signal}$$

Harmonics - mathematical basic

Fourier transform

- Any signal can be expressed as a sum of its harmonics.
- Harmonics are multiples of the fundamental frequency.

Examples for 50Hz:

- 2nd Harmonic = 100Hz
- 3rd Harmonic = 150Hz
- ...
- 5th Harmonic = 250Hz
- ...
- 7th Harmonic = 350Hz
- ...
- 11th Harmonic = 550Hz
- ...
- 13th Harmonic = 650Hz
- ...

- The **Fourier transform** decomposes a function of time (*a signal*) into its individual frequencies



Harmonics



What is a Harmonic?

Harmonics are sinewave signals overlapping the main (fundamental) frequency.

Every Harmonic is defined by:

Harmonic **order** (5th Harmonic = 250Hz, 7th Harmonic = 350Hz ...)

Harmonic **amplitude** (how strong is the harmonic)

Harmonic **angle** (harmonics of different angle compensate each other)

Harmonic distortion - evaluation of harmonics

How are Harmonics evaluated?

Harmonic distortion - evaluation of harmonics

THDi and *THDv* value

The harmonic distortion is evaluated by the “Total Harmonic Distortion” (*THD*). This is separated into *THDv* (or *THDu*) for voltage distortion and *THDi* for current distortion.

This is typically defined for harmonics up to 40th or 50th.

Harmonic distortion - evaluation of harmonics

Flashback: what is the I_{RMS}

$$I_{RMS} = \sqrt{\sum_{n=1}^{n=40} I_n^2} = \sqrt{I_{h1}^2 + I_{h2}^2 + I_{h3}^2 + I_{h4}^2 + I_{h5}^2 + I_{h6}^2 + \dots + I_{h40}^2}$$

Fundamental part

Harmonic part

Harmonic distortion - evaluation of harmonics

THDi

The sum of all harmonic currents up to the 40th, are defined as *THC*

$$THC = \sqrt{\sum_{n=2}^{n=40} I_n^2} = \sqrt{I_{h2}^2 + I_{h3}^2 + I_{h4}^2 + I_{h5}^2 + I_{h6}^2 + \dots + I_{h40}^2}$$

The *THDi* is defined as:

$$THDi = \frac{THC}{I_1} \cdot 100\%$$

Hence:

$$THDi = \frac{\sqrt{\sum_{n=2}^{n=40} I_n^2}}{I_1} \cdot 100\% = \frac{\sqrt{I_{h2}^2 + I_{h3}^2 + I_{h4}^2 + I_{h5}^2 + I_{h6}^2 + \dots + I_{h40}^2}}{I_1} \cdot 100\%$$

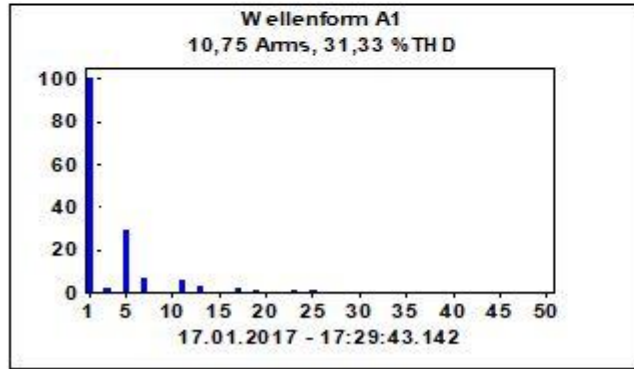
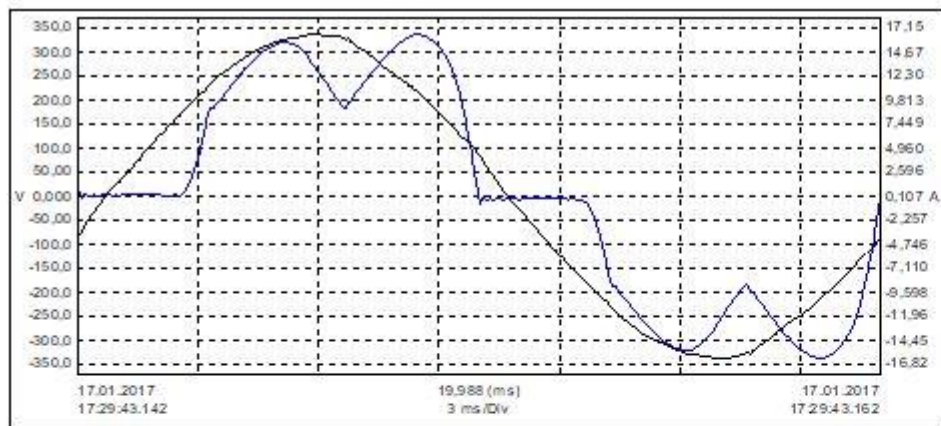
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THDv

$$\mathbf{THDv} = \frac{\sqrt{\sum_{n=2}^{n=40} v_n^2}}{v_1} \cdot 100\% = \frac{\sqrt{v_{h2}^2 + v_{h3}^2 + v_{h4}^2 + v_{h5}^2 + v_{h6}^2 + \dots + v_{h40}^2}}{v_1} \cdot 100\%$$

Harmonic distortion - typical measurement

Drive input current



Wellenform A1		
(%)	(%)	(%)
H01 100,0	H19 2,2	H37 0,5
H02 0,3	H20 0,0	H38 0,0
H03 2,4	H21 0,3	H39 0,2
H04 0,1	H22 0,0	H40 0,0
→ H05 29,2	H23 1,1	H41 0,3
→ H06 0,1	H24 0,0	H42 0,0
→ H07 7,1	H25 1,2	H43 0,4
H08 0,1	H26 0,0	H44 0,0
H09 0,6	H27 0,3	H45 0,2
H10 0,1	H28 0,0	H46 0,0
→ H11 6,5	H29 0,6	H47 0,2
H12 0,0	H30 0,0	H48 0,0
→ H13 3,4	H31 0,7	H49 0,4
H14 0,0	H32 0,0	H50 0,0
H15 0,5	H33 0,2	
H16 0,0	H34 0,0	
H17 2,4	H35 0,4	
H18 0,0	H36 0,0	

The drive input current shows a significant deviance from the sinusoidal waveform. The drive input current can be decomposed into its individual frequencies (Harmonics). For drives these are typically the 5th, 7th, 11th, 13th harmonic. The fundamental frequency "1st harmonic" is 50Hz, this is the intended frequency. All other components are considered as "harmonic distortion".

Harmonics

How are Harmonics evaluated?

Harmonic current distortion is evaluated by the **THDi** (or **TDD** = Total Demand Distortion)
This is the harmonic content of the I_{RMS} (measured current) divided by the fundamental part

Harmonic voltage distortion is evaluated by the **THDv**

This is the harmonic content of the v_{RMS} (measured voltage) divided by the fundamental part

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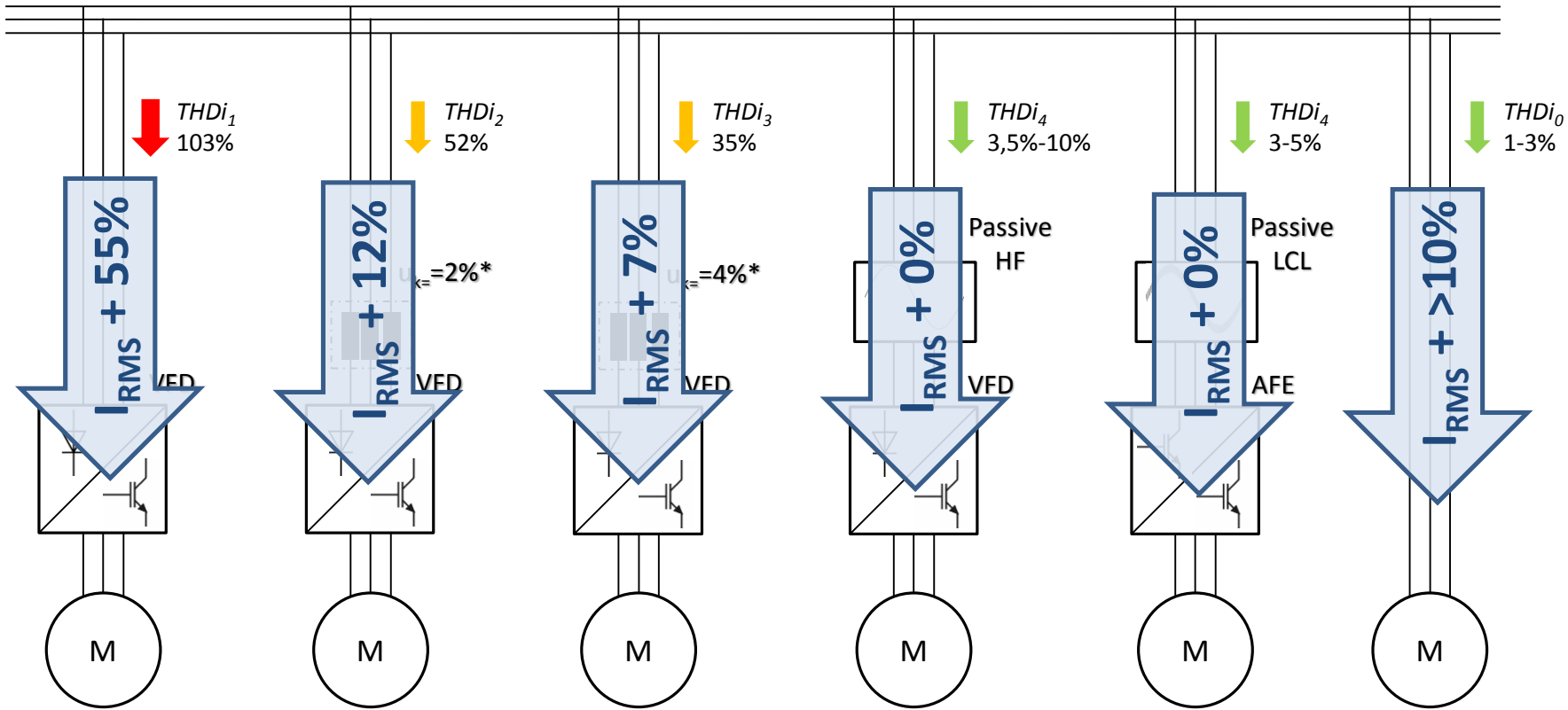
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Harmonics



Simple! That's it?

Harmonic distortion of motors / VFD



*choke can be added AC or DC side with similar result. Typically installed DC side.

Harmonics



Simple! That's it?

No!

Using *THDi* as an evaluation for harmonics, gives you quick picture of the harmonic situation.

Looking at the *THDi* equation, all Harmonic orders are equal. They are not!

$$THDi = \frac{\sqrt{I_{h2}^2 + I_{h3}^2 + I_{h4}^2 + I_{h5}^2 + I_{h6}^2 + \dots + I_{h40}^2}}{I_1} \cdot 100\%$$

Harmonics

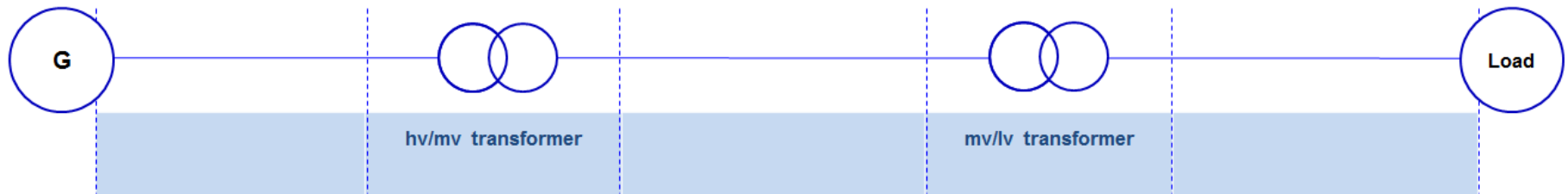


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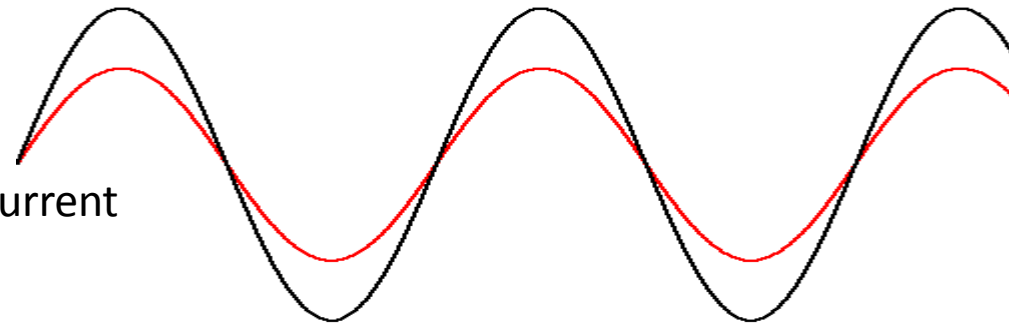
Harmonic distortion - ideal supply



Ideal supply

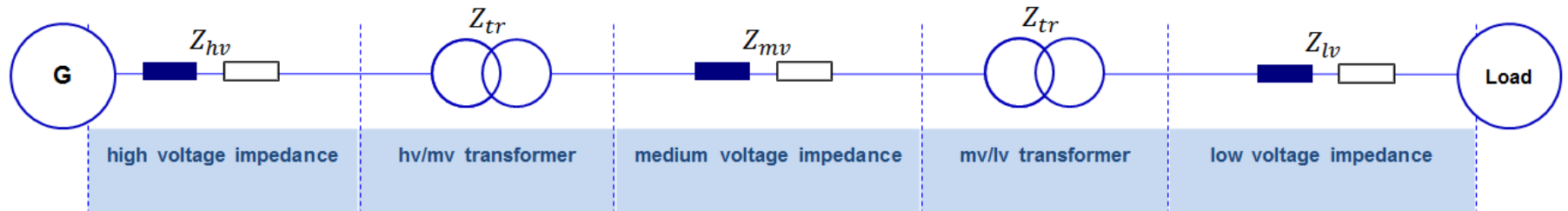


- Generators produce ideal sinusoidal current.
- Transformers and wires don't have any impedance
- The Loads are consuming ideal sinus current
- --> No voltage distortion



Harmonic distortion - real supply

Real supply



- Generators produce (almost) ideal sinusoidal current.
- The Loads are consuming non linear current

Ohm's Law

$$V = I \cdot Z$$

Harmonics



Why do we care about Harmonic currents?

Due to:

$$V = I \cdot Z$$

all harmonic currents cause voltage distortion

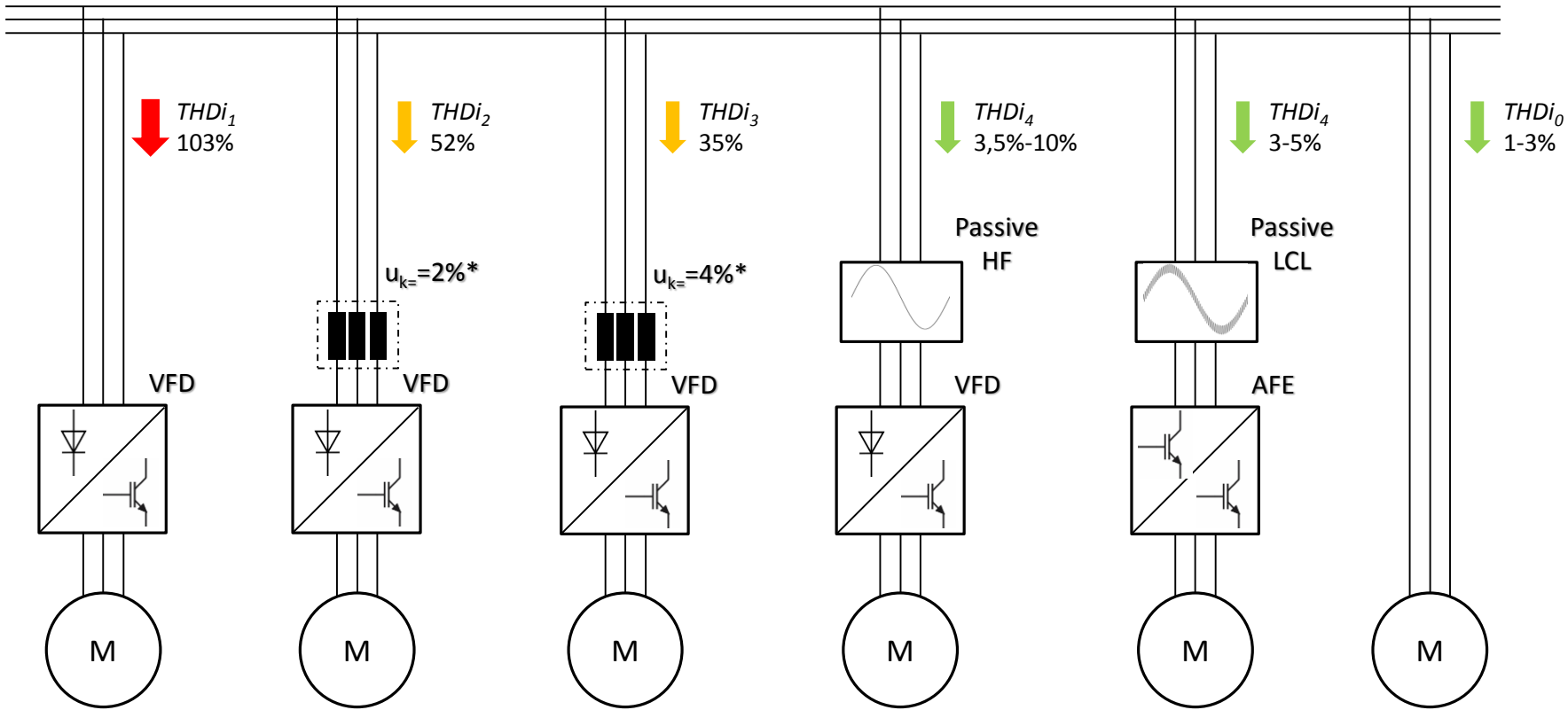
Voltage Distortion affects all equipment connected

Harmonics



Are all Harmonics equal?

Harmonic distortion of motors / VFD



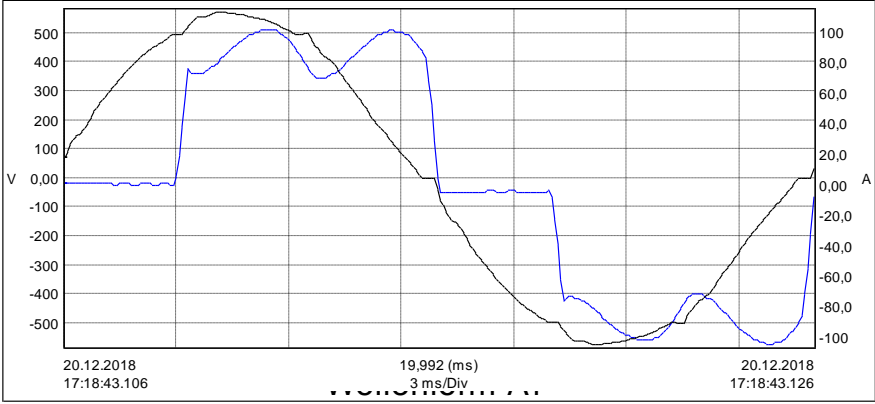
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Harmonic distortion - comparison

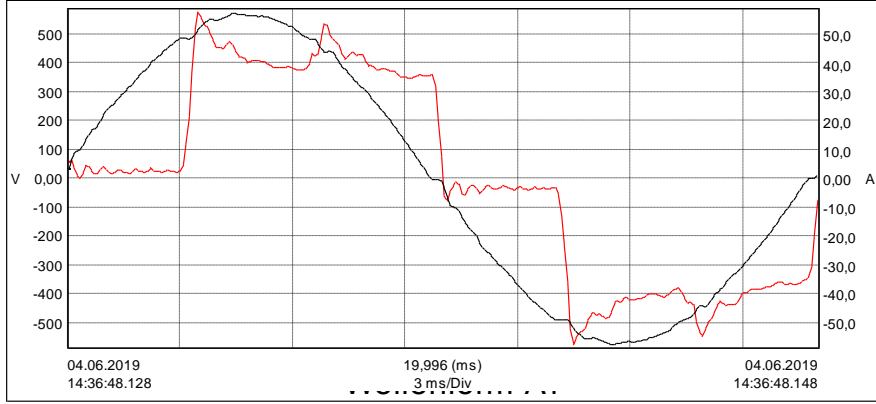
Standard Drive

vs.

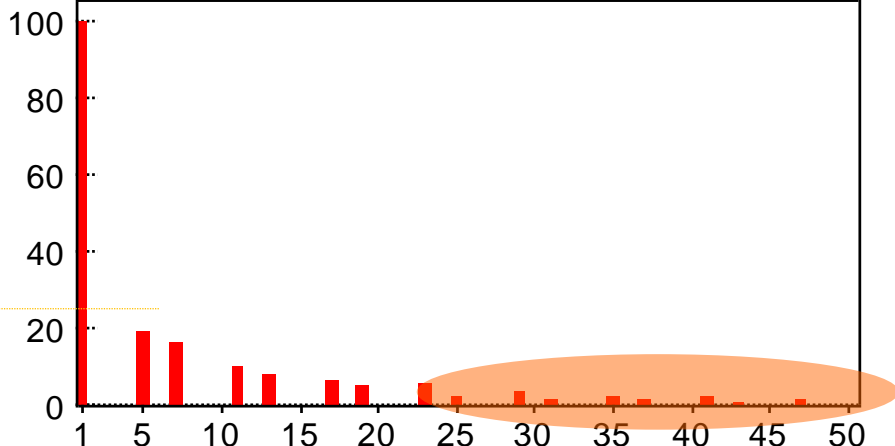
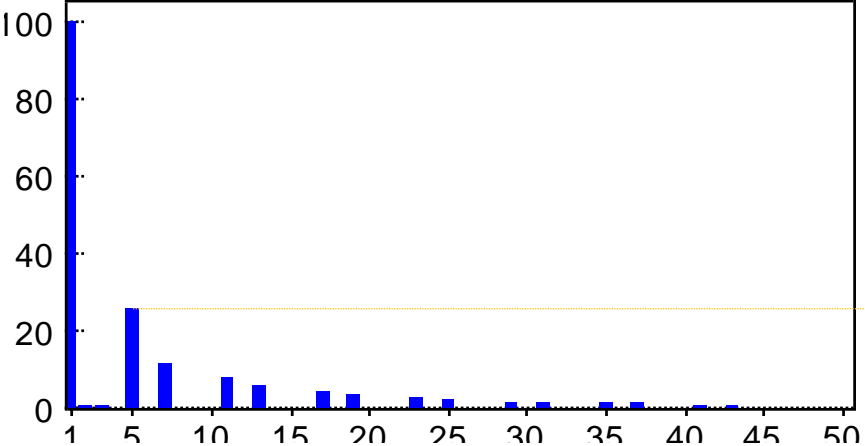
Slim DC Bus Drive



72,17 Arms, 31,10 %THD



34,63 Arms, 31,17 %THD



Harmonic distortion - evaluation of harmonics

The **THD** is a good evaluation for Harmonic Distortion but it is **not sufficient to give a full evaluation of the problems that may be caused by harmonics.**

Example:

100A distortion on the 5th Harmonic ($I_5=100A$)
will cause the same **THDi** as:
100A distortion on the 37th Harmonic ($I_{37}=100A$),

Power loss inside a transformer caused by I_{37}
would be significantly higher.

Power loss inside a motor caused by I_{37} would be
significantly higher.

And so on...



Harmonic distortion - evaluation of harmonics

IEC define PWHD

The **Partial Weighted Harmonic Distortion** is a value to evaluate the higher harmonics between the 14th and 40th. This evaluation is available for current (*PWHD,i*) and voltage (*PWHD,v*) and is used in several standards.

$$PWHD, i = \frac{\sqrt{\sum_{n=14}^{n=40} I_n^2}}{I_1} \cdot 100\% = \frac{\sqrt{I_{h14}^2 + I_{h15}^2 + I_{h16}^2 + I_{h17}^2 + \dots + I_{h40}^2}}{I_1} \cdot 100\%$$

$$PWHD, v = \frac{\sqrt{\sum_{n=14}^{n=40} U_n^2}}{U_1} \cdot 100\% = \frac{\sqrt{U_{h14}^2 + U_{h15}^2 + U_{h16}^2 + U_{h17}^2 + \dots + U_{h40}^2}}{U_1} \cdot 100\%$$

Standards - IEEE

IEEE 519-2014

Current distortion level of for systems 120V – 69kV

Maximum Harmonic Current Distortion in Percent of I_L						
Individual Harmonic Order (Odd Harmonics)						
I_{sc}/I_L	<11	$11 \leq h < 17$	$17 \leq h < 23$	$23 \leq h < 35$	$35 \leq h$	TDD
<20*	4.0	2.0	1.5	0.6	0.3	5.0
20<50	7.0	3.5	2.5	1.0	0.5	8.0
50<100	10.0	4.5	4.0	1.5	0.7	12.0
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Even harmonics are limited to 25% of the odd harmonic limits above.

Current distortions that result in a dc offset, e.g. half-wave converters, are not allowed.

* All power generation equipment is limited to these values of current distortion, regardless of actual I_{sc}/I_L .

Where

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- TDD = Total demand distortion (RSS), harmonic current distortion in % of maximum demand load current (15 or 30 min demand).
- PCC = Point of common coupling.

Harmonics

Are all Harmonics equal?

No. Higher Order Harmonics will typically cause more harm than lower order harmonics.

Evaluation of Harmonic distortion based on *THDi* or *TDD* is only possible, if the harmonic spectrum is known.

(e.g. Drive load with high performance / high quality drive)

Harmonics



Which damage is caused by harmonics?

Harmonic voltage distortion

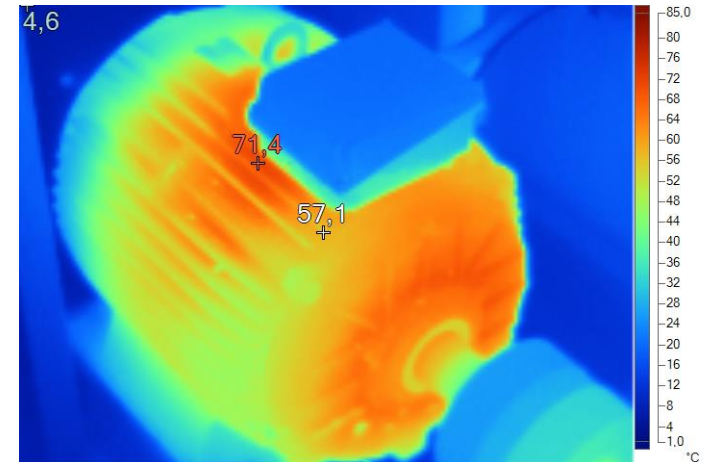
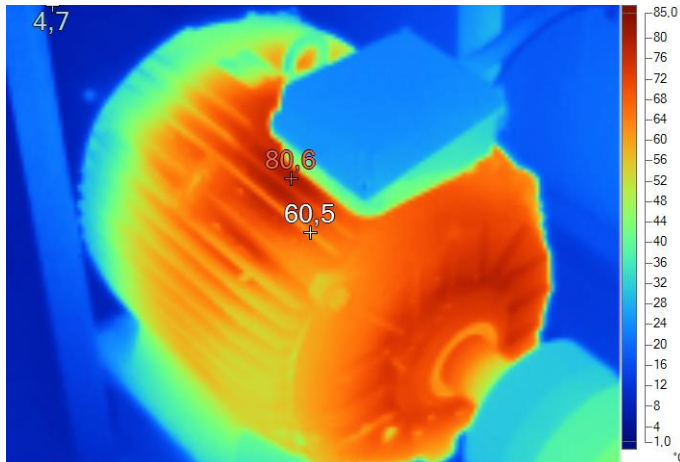


Voltage distortion cause power loss!

Comparison of Motors DOL @ equal load but different voltage distortion

18.5kW
THDv = 6,8%

18.5kW
THDv = 1,8%



@ 8% THDv, a motor DOL can run max. 85% load

Harmonic distortion - Problems



Transformers and PFC

Increased losses!

Reduced power! Expected lifetime lower!

Transformers and capacitor banks must be oversized or might overheat at nominal load.

Electronical equipment

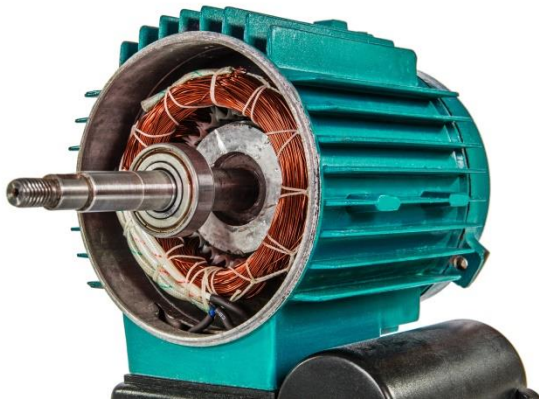
Increased losses, and reduced lifetime expectation.

Equipment failures → Lost data, Production stop, Equipment costs

Wrong evaluation of signals → troubleshooting costs and production loss



Harmonic distortion - Problems



Motors and Generators (uncontrolled)

Increased losses, and reduced lifetime expectation.
Reduced torque and unsteady torque (even vibrations) on shaft output. Lower lifetime expectations of Bearings, gearboxes and further connected equipment

System Efficiency

Equipment efficiency may be affected by the harmonic distortion of the mains voltage. In addition connection wires will produce higher losses. This leads to higher costs for user.



Harmonics

Which damage is caused by harmonics?

Every non resistive equipment will suffer from Harmonics.

- Lower lifetime
- Electrical and mechanical damage
- Less efficiency

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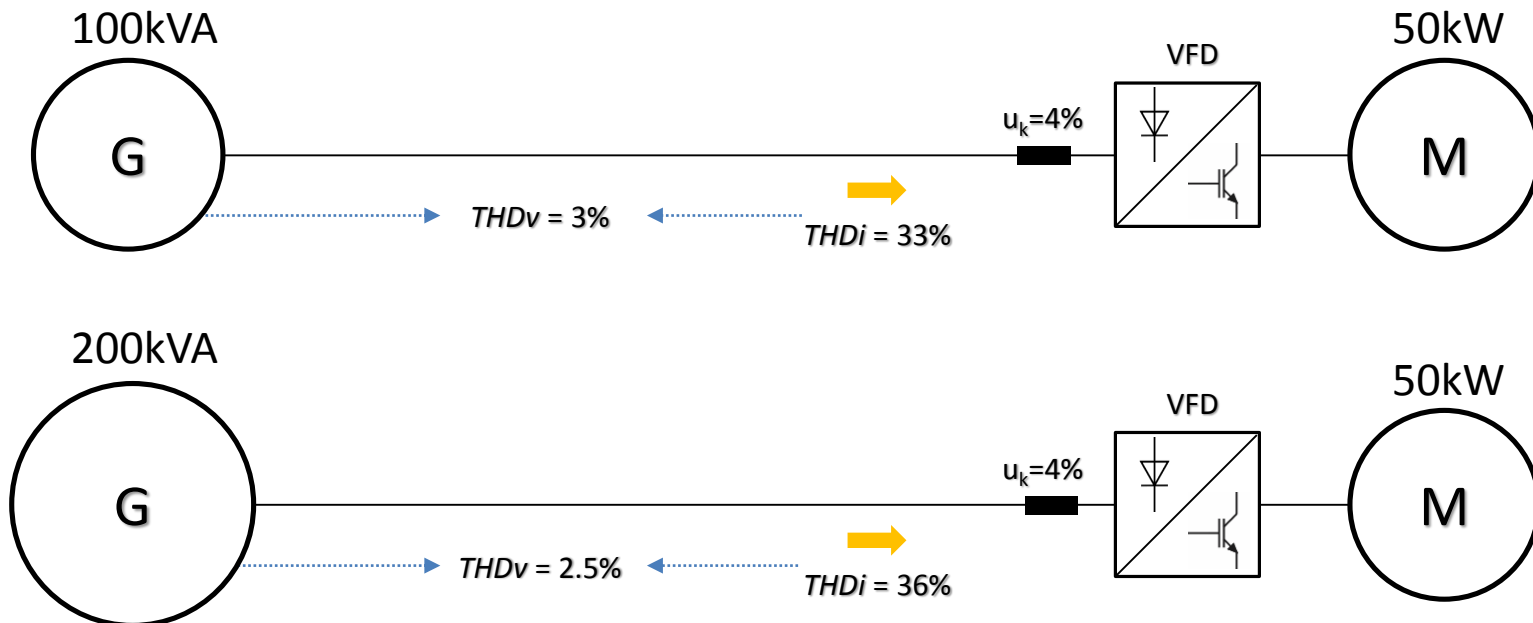


Do I need Harmonic mitigation?

Standards - Network conditions

The harmonic currents of equipment cause harmonic distortion on the mains voltage. The impact of the voltage depend on the strength of the mains supply.

Simplified diagrams:



Harmonics – Standards and Recommendation

Standard	Class	THD _v limit
EN 50160	-	8%
IEC 61000-2-4	1	5%
IEC 61000-2-4	2	8%
IEC 61000-2-4	3	10%
IEEE 519-2014	<1000V	8%
G5/4	400V	5%

Practice	-	THD _v limit
Good Practice	-	5%
IEEE 519-2014 Target	-	5%

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Harmonic distortion - evaluation of harmonics

TDD

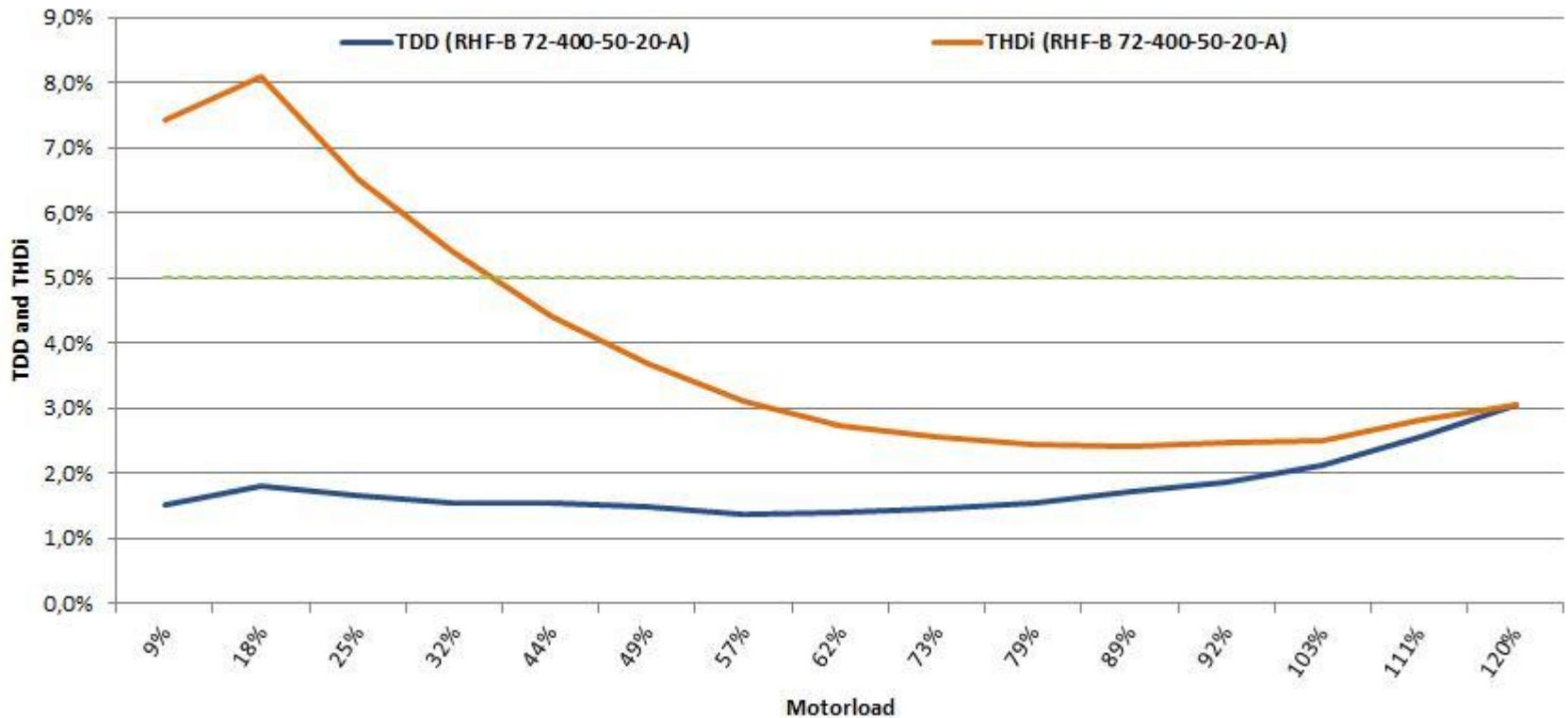
Total Demand Distortion of the current (used in e.g. IEEE-519:2014)
 Equal to THDi the TDD express the distortion of harmonics from 2nd - 40th. But the THC is divided through I_L instead of I_1 .

I_L is also the fundamental frequency amplitude, but defined as the maximum demand current. IEEE-519: "This current value can be established at the PCC and should be taken as the sum of the currents corresponding to the maximum demand during each of the twelve previous months divided by 12."

$$TDD = \frac{\sqrt{\sum_{n=2}^{n=40} I_n^2}}{I_L} = \frac{\sqrt{I_{h2}^2 + I_{h3}^2 + I_{h4}^2 + I_{h5}^2 + I_{h6}^2 + \dots + I_{h40}^2}}{I_L} \cdot 100\%$$

At full load: **TDD = THDi**

Harmonic distortion - TDD vs. THDi



Looking at THDi only, an Inexperienced user, might think that 18% load is worst case harmonic distortion.

TDD is user friendly as always taking reference to the maximum current and showing worst case harmonic distortion (here 120% load).

Standards - Network conditions

$$R_{SCE} = \frac{S_{SC}}{S_{equ}} \approx \frac{I_{SC}}{I_L}$$

R_{SCE} : Short circuit power ratio

S_{SC} : Short circuit power

I_{SC} : Short circuit current

$$S_{SC} = \frac{U_{nom}^2}{Z_{sc}}$$

S_{equ} : Equipment power

I_L : Load current

$$Z_{sc} = \sqrt{R_{sc}^2 + X_{sc}^2}$$

Z_{sc} : Short circuit impedance (50Hz)

Standards - short circuit power calculation

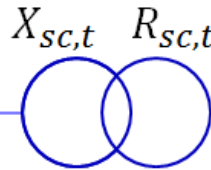
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medium voltage impedance

$$R_{sc,mv} \approx 0 \rightarrow X_{sc,mv} \approx Z_{sc,mv}$$

$$X_{sc,mv} = \frac{U_{lv}^2}{S_{mv}} *$$



transformer

$$X_{sc,t} = \frac{U_{lv}^2}{S_t} \cdot \frac{u_x}{100\%}$$

$$R_{sc,t} = \frac{U_{lv}^2}{S_t} \cdot \frac{u_r}{100\%}$$



low voltage impedance

$$X_{sc,lv} = \omega \cdot L_{wire}$$

(L_{wire} based on spez. inductance and length)

$$R_{sc,lv}$$

(R_{sc,lv} based on spez. resistance and length)

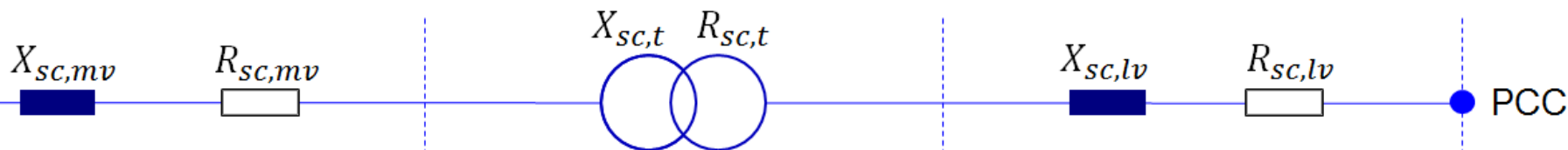
PCC

$$Z_{sc} = \sqrt{R_{sc}^2 + X_{sc}^2} = \sqrt{(R_{sc,t} + R_{sc,lv})^2 + (X_{sc,mv} + X_{sc,t} + X_{sc,lv})^2}$$

*low voltage value must be used in order to add up the Impedance values!

Standards - short circuit power estimation

Z_{sc} : Short circuit impedance (50Hz)
(simplified calculation based on transformer impedance)



medium voltage impedance

transformer

low voltage impedance

$$X_{sc,mv} = 0$$

$$R_{sc,mv} = 0$$

$$X_{sc,t} = \frac{U_{lv}^2}{S_t} \cdot \frac{u_x}{100\%}$$

$$R_{sc,t} = \frac{U_{lv}^2}{S_t} \cdot \frac{u_r}{100\%}$$

$$X_{sc,lv} = 0$$

$$R_{sc,lv} = 0$$

$$S_{sc,t} = \frac{S_T}{u_k} \cdot 100\% =$$

Harmonics



Do I need Harmonic mitigation?

Good Practice

Transformer Load	% Non-linear Load	Harmonic Mitigation
<30%	0-100%	Not required
>30% <90%	<10%	Not required
>30% <90%	10-100%	Required*
>90%	<10%	Required*
>90%	10-100%	Target 5% TDD

*Harmonic mitigation in accordance to IEEE 519-2014: Table 2

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Part 1 completed, Thanks!

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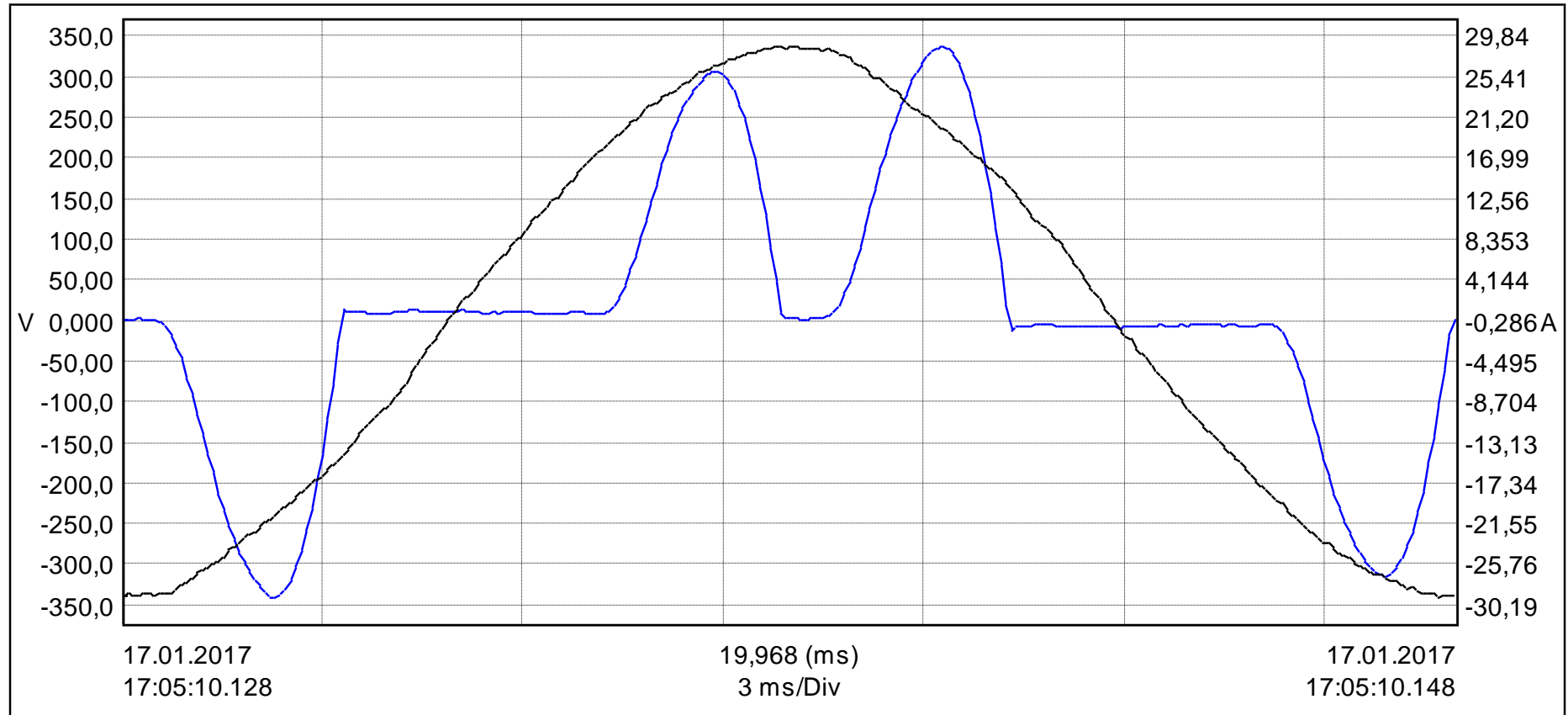
Harmonics



What does a Harmonic current look like?

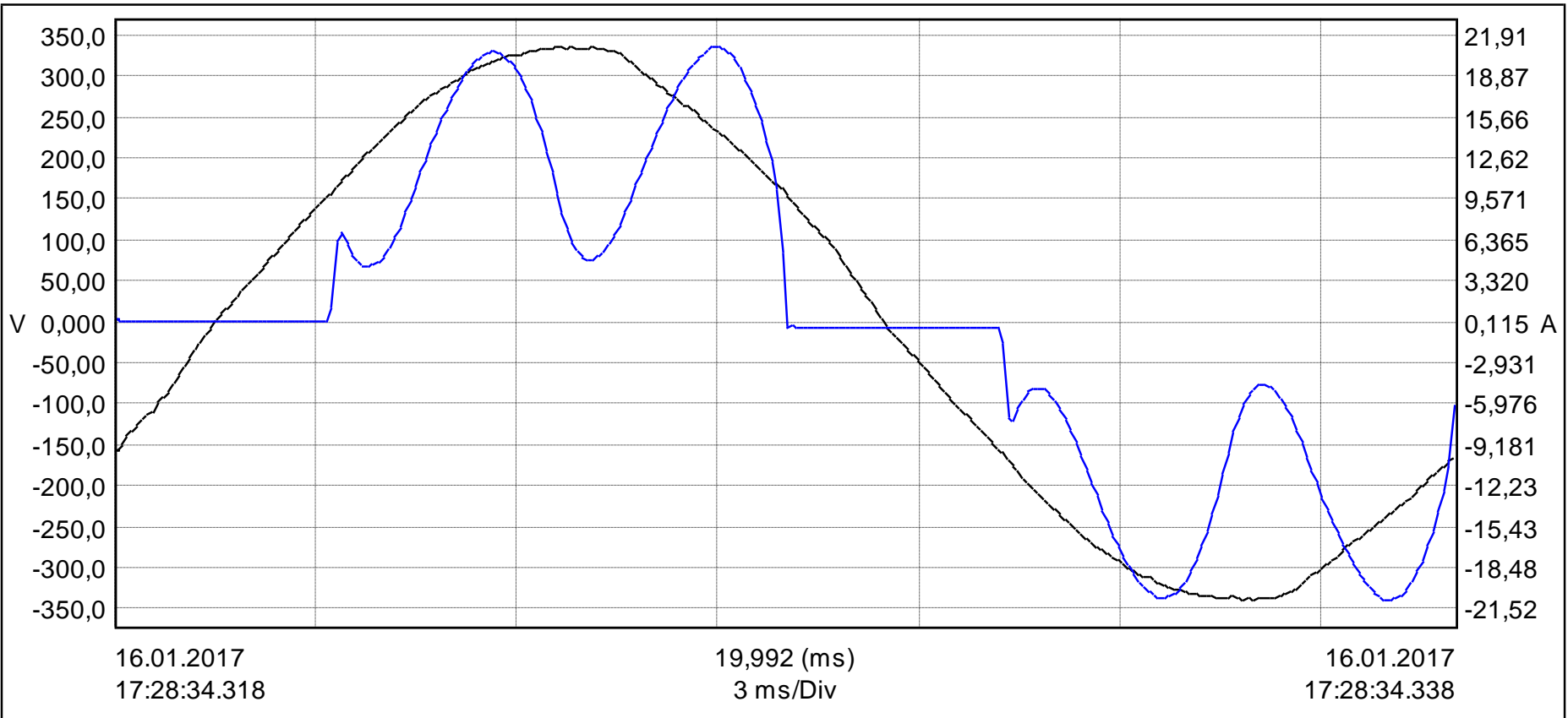
Harmonic Solutions for VSD - input current

Input current of a drive with 0,6% choke at 7kW load, 89%THDI



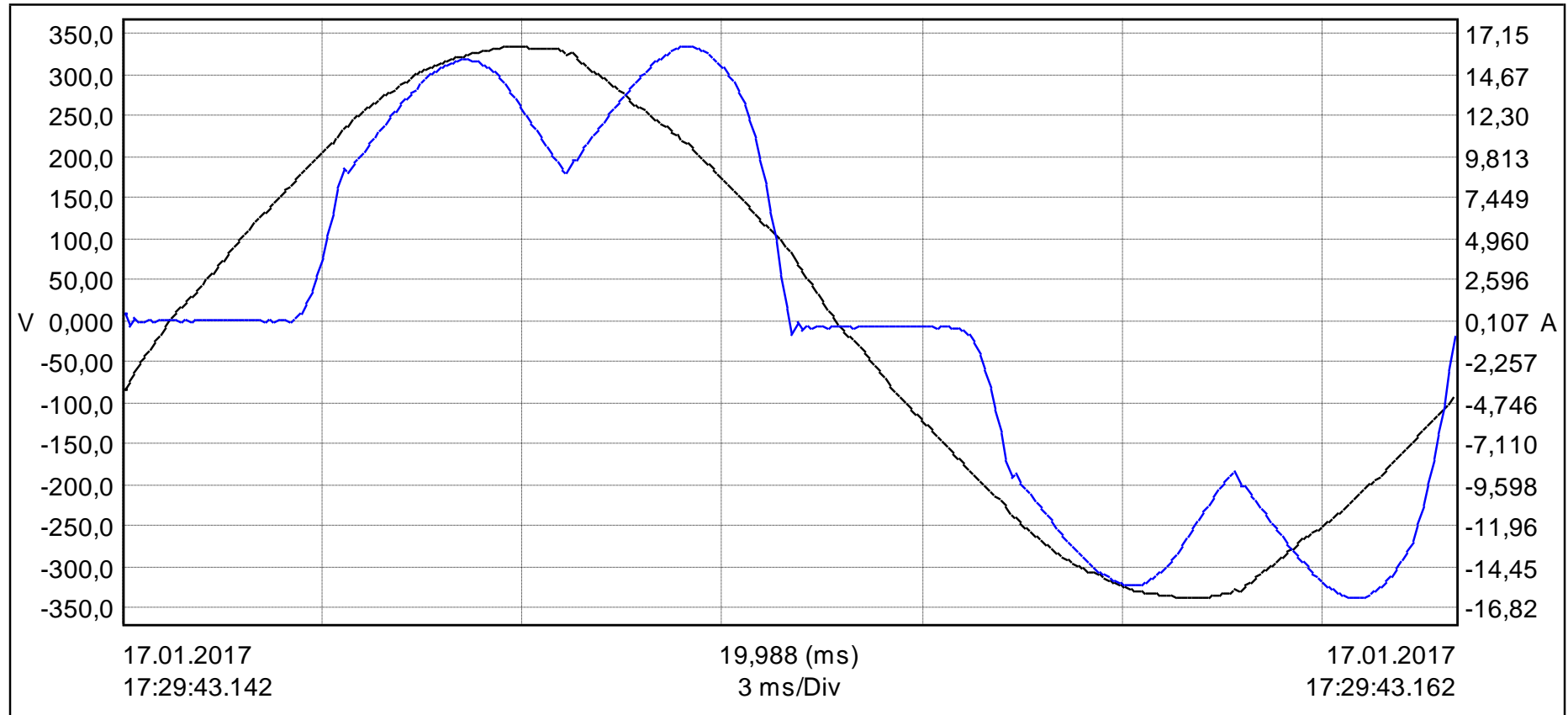
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Input current of a drive with 1,8% choke at 7kW load, 51%THDI



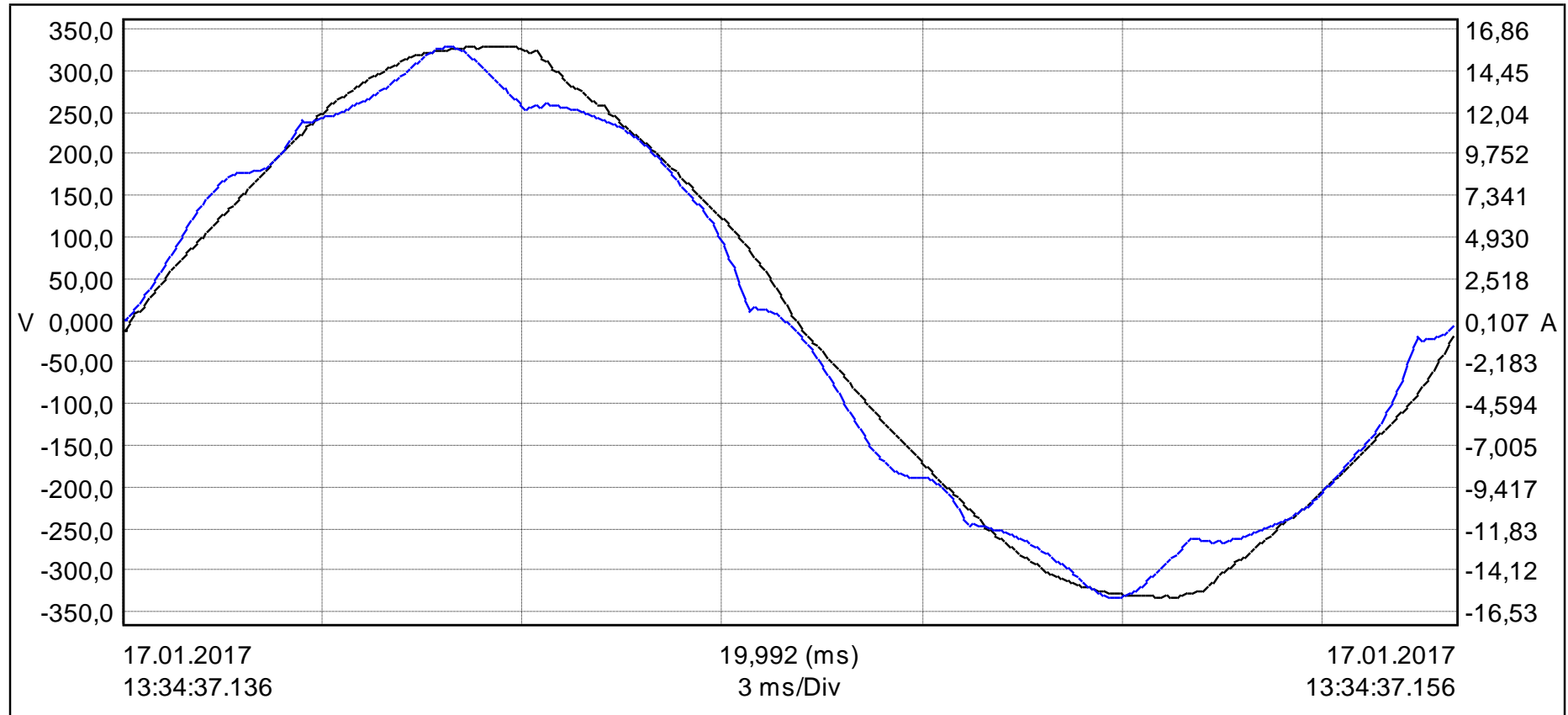
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Input current of a drive with 5,4% (AC + DC) choke at 7kW load, 32%THDI



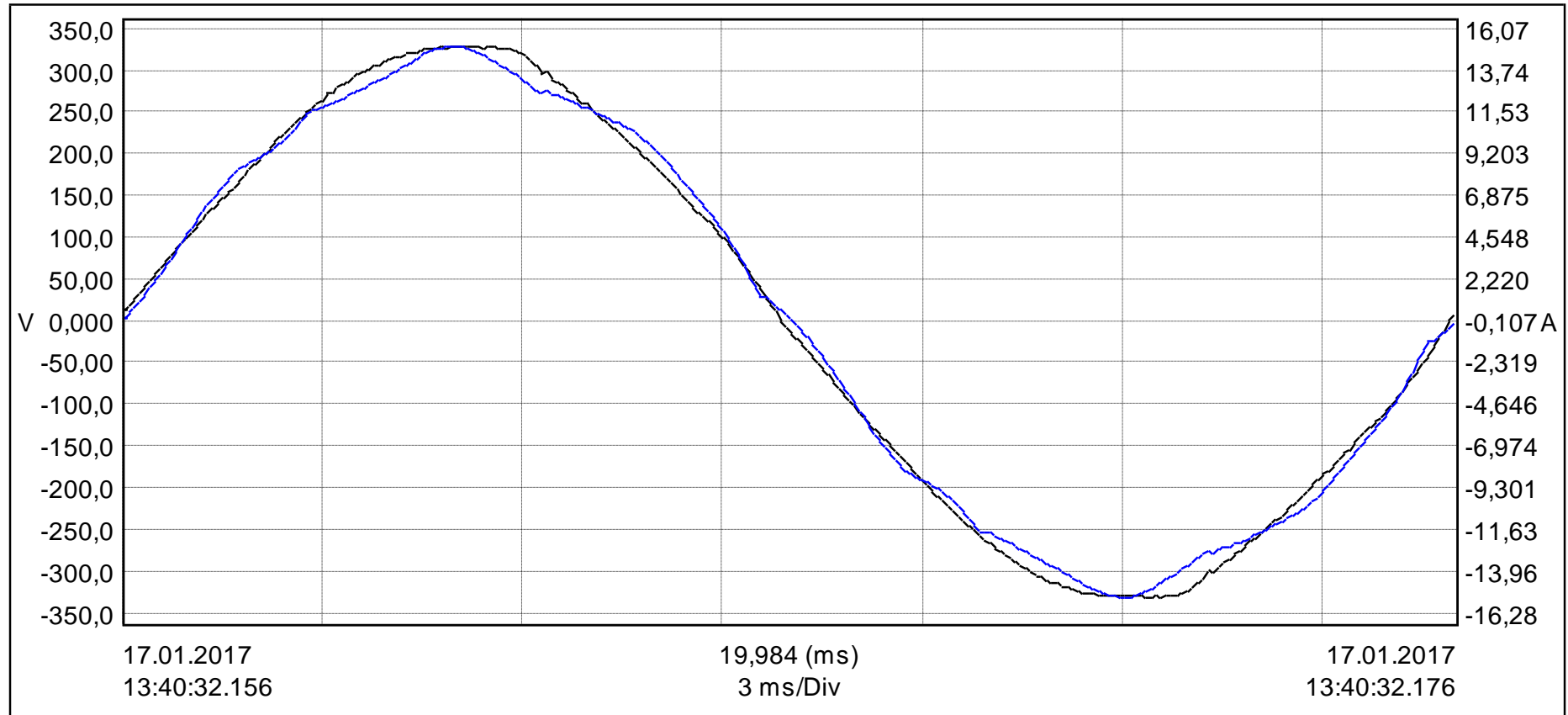
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Input current of a drive with RHF-8P filter at 7kW load, 7%THDI



Harmonic Solutions for VSD - input current

Input current of a drive with RHF-5P filter at 7kW load, 3.9%THDI

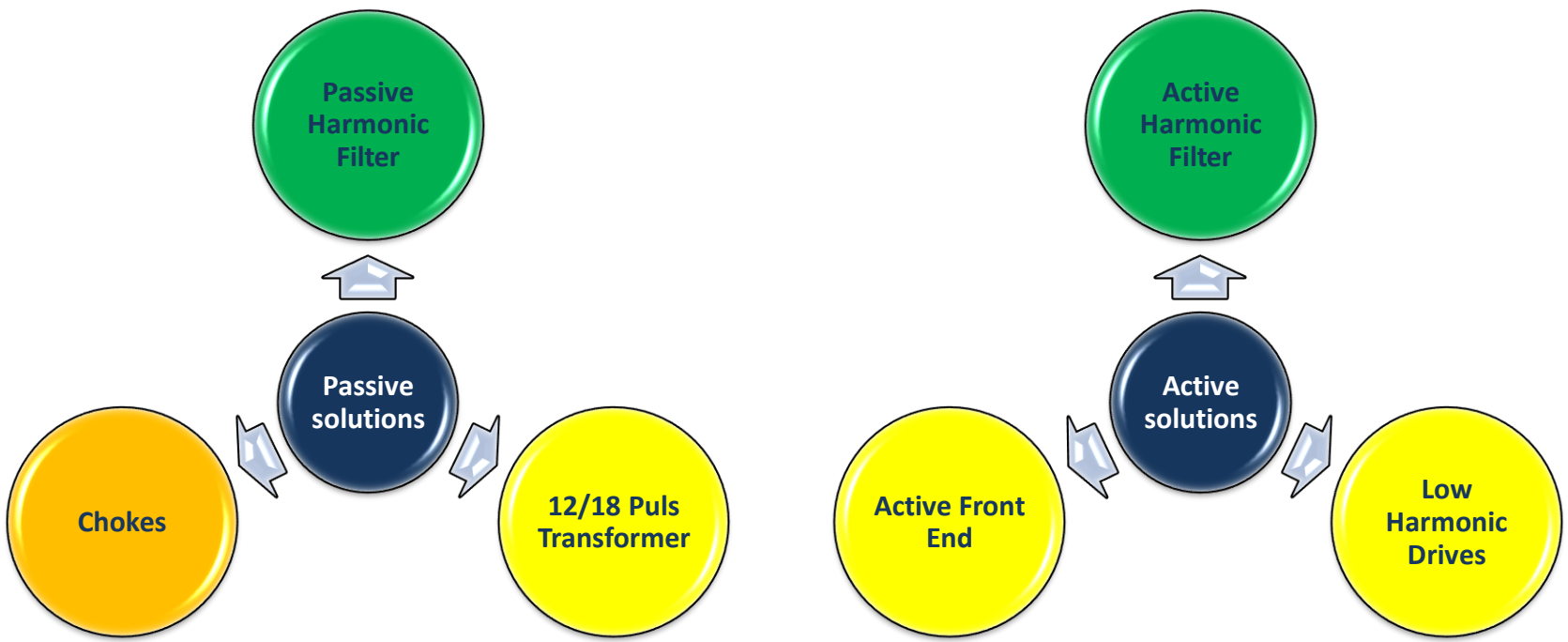


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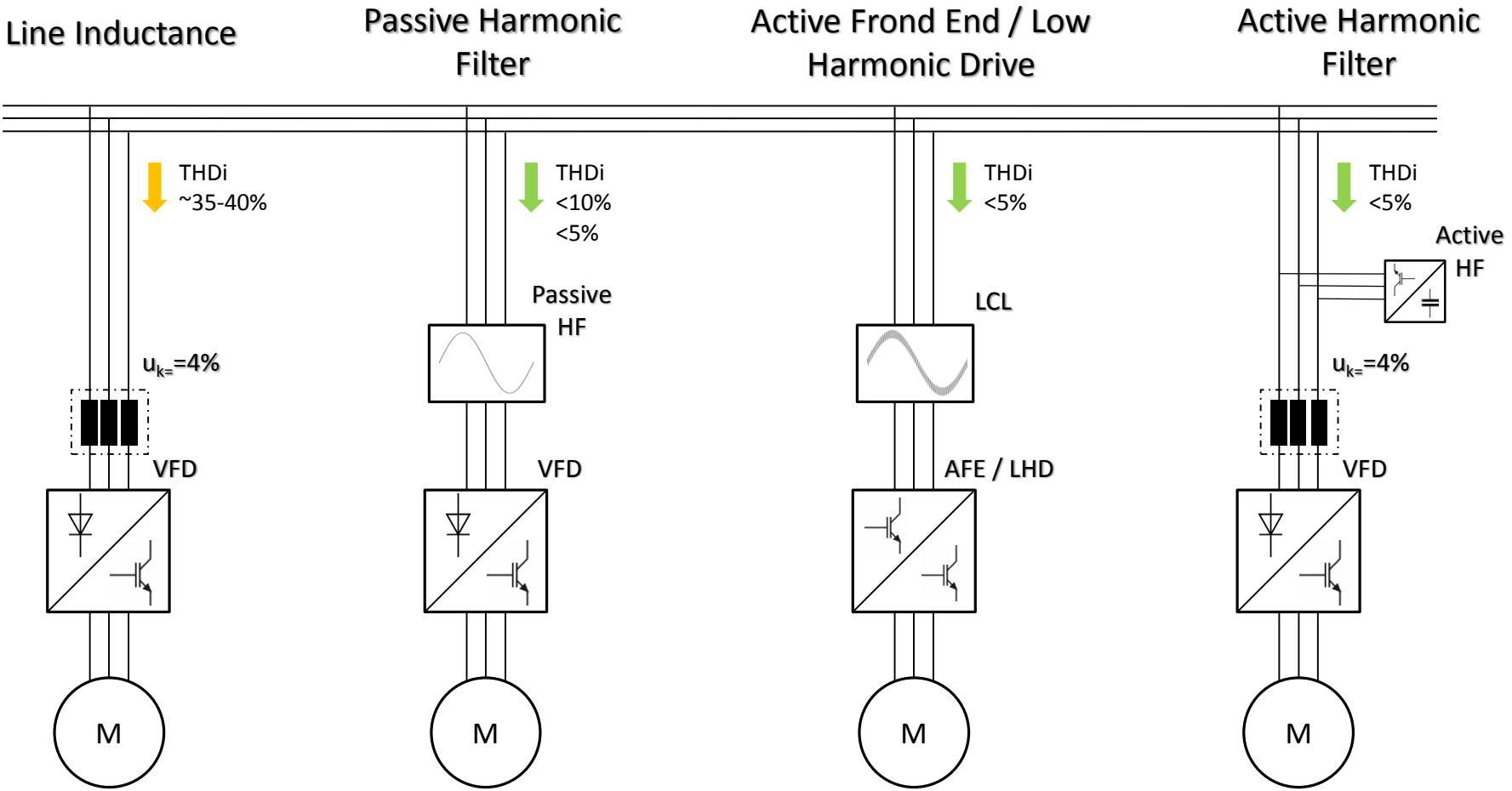


What kind of Harmonic Solutions are useful?

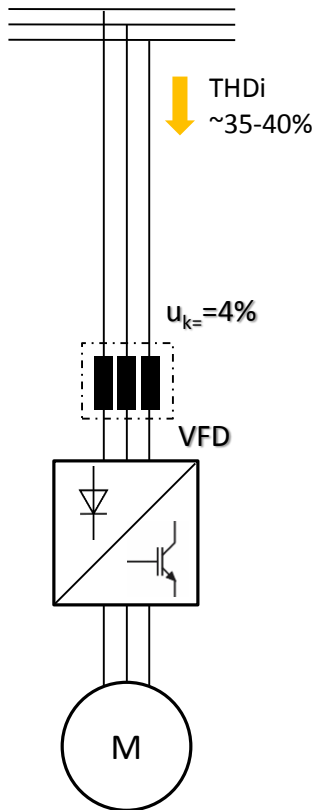
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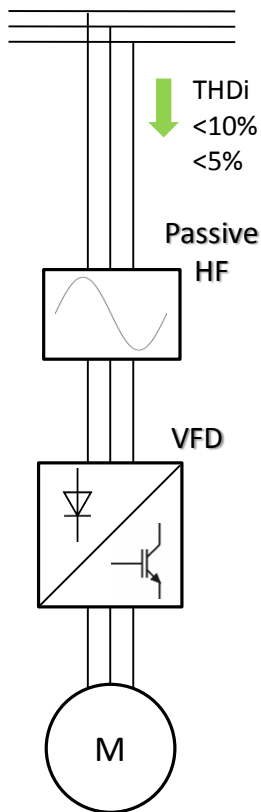
Harmonic Solutions for VSD - Choke



Solution	DC or AC choke
Value	4% impedance
Typical performance	35-50% <i>THDi</i>
Advantage	Low costs
Disadvantage	Low performance
Recommended	Yes, for small drives and networks with much linear loads

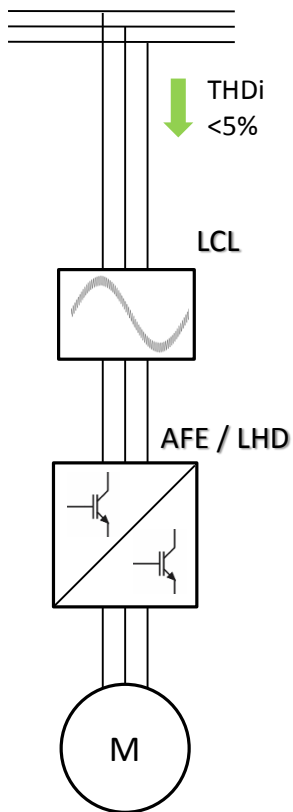
This solution is very basic and usually inbuilt by factory inside the VSD. Therefore this is not considered as a harmonic solution in the following presentation.

Harmonic Solutions for VSD - Passive HF



Solution	Passive Harmonic Filter
Typical value	n.a.
Typical performance	<5% or <10%
Advantage	Good cost/performance ratio
Disadvantage	Significant different circuits and products available.
Recommended	Yes, if taking brand specific specification such as performance and efficiency into account.

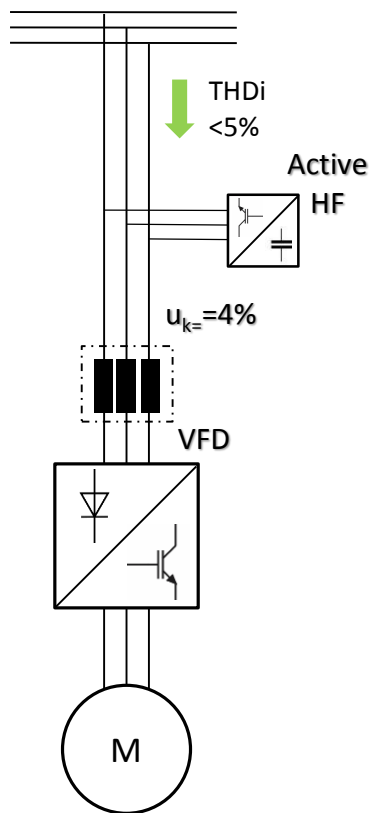
Harmonic Solutions for VSD - AFE and LHD



Solution	Active Front End Technology / (ultra) Low Harmonic Drives*
Typical performance	<5%
Advantage	Low <i>THDi</i> (<40 th Harmonic)
Disadvantage	Bad cost/performance ratio Low efficiency (high switching) High distortion (>100 th Harmonic) Expensive Low Lifetime expectance No performance scaling
Recommended	No

*Some manufacturer have recognized the disadvantage of IGBT active infeed for harmonic mitigation. Still the drive is considered as “low harmonic drive” but it use internal passive filter or active filter. These solutions are recommended.

Harmonic Solutions for VSD - Active HF

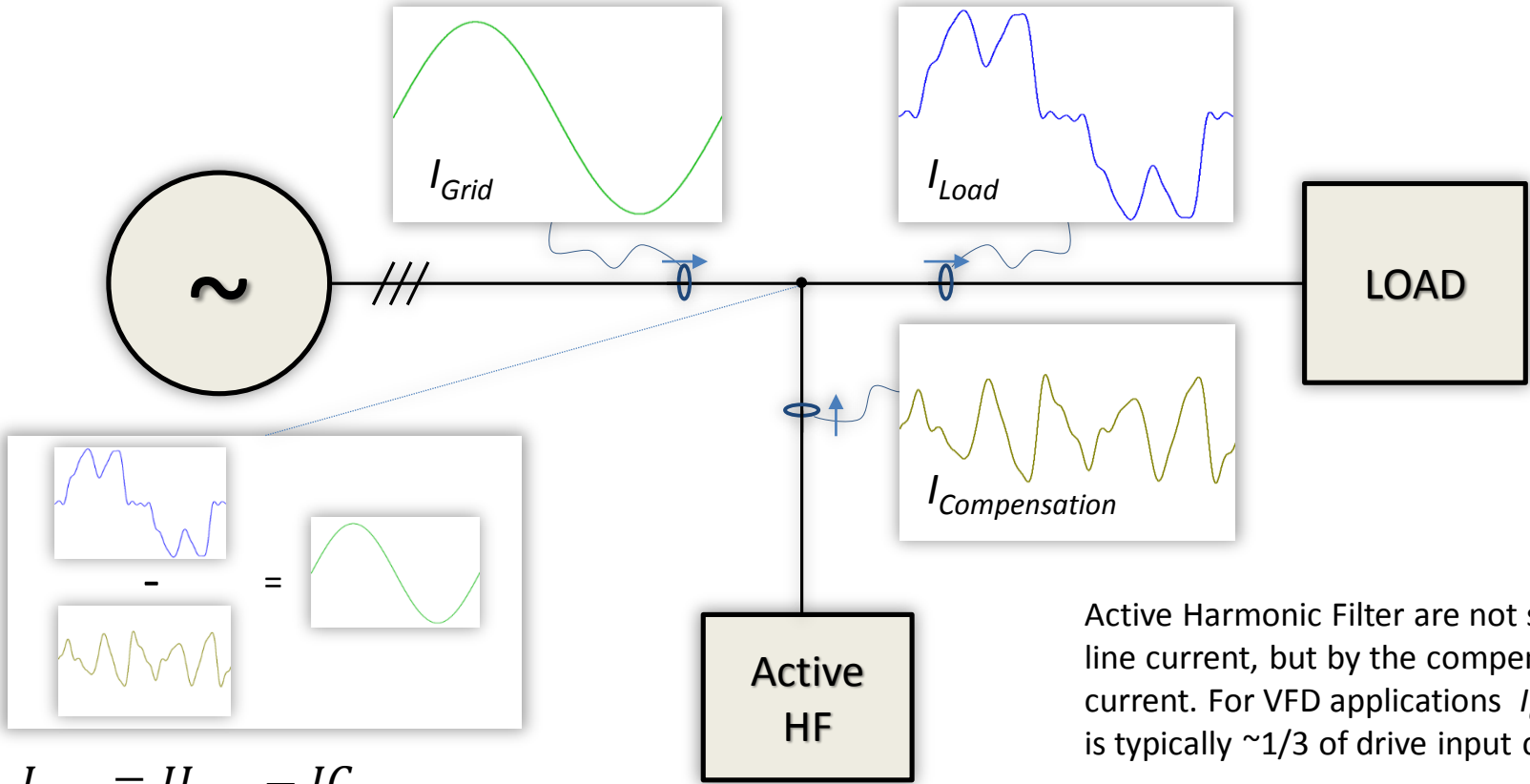


Solution	Active Harmonic Filter
Typical performance	<5%*
Advantage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> High performance Easy to retrofit in systems Can be used for universal load Scalable for any performance High Efficiency
Disadvantage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Medium price/performance ratio Some brand require expensive commissioning
Recommended	Yes, especially in combination with passive harmonic filter

*depend on filter size.

Harmonic Solutions for VSD - Active HF

Working principle Active Harmonic Filter



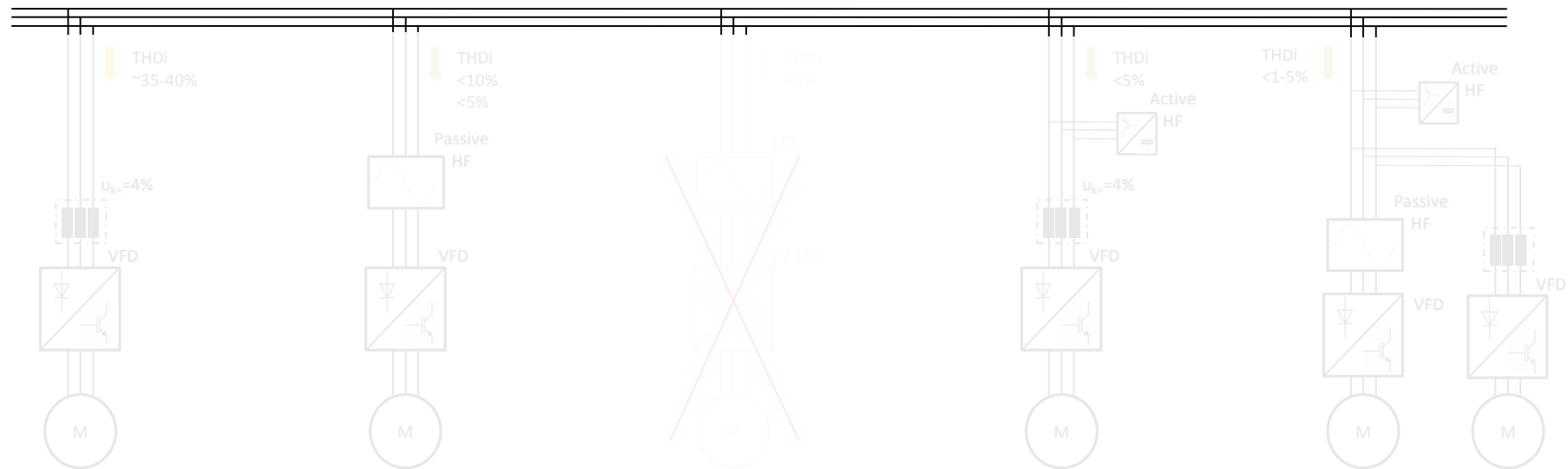
Active Harmonic Filter are not sized by line current, but by the compensation current. For VFD applications $I_{compensation}$ is typically $\sim 1/3$ of drive input current.

$$I_{Grid} = I_{Load} - I_{Compensation}$$

Harmonic Solutions for VSD - conclusion

What kind of Harmonic Solutions are useful?

Inductance	Passive HF	AFE or LHD	Active HF	Active and Passive HF
<p>Low performance. Therefore not considered as solution</p>	<p>Good performance to a reasonable price but filter efficiency should be considered</p>	<p>Not recommend due to high installation costs and low efficiency.</p>	<p>Recommend especially for retrofit and systems with many small drives</p>	<p>Often best technical and commercial solution. Efficiency of the harmonic solutions should be considered.</p>



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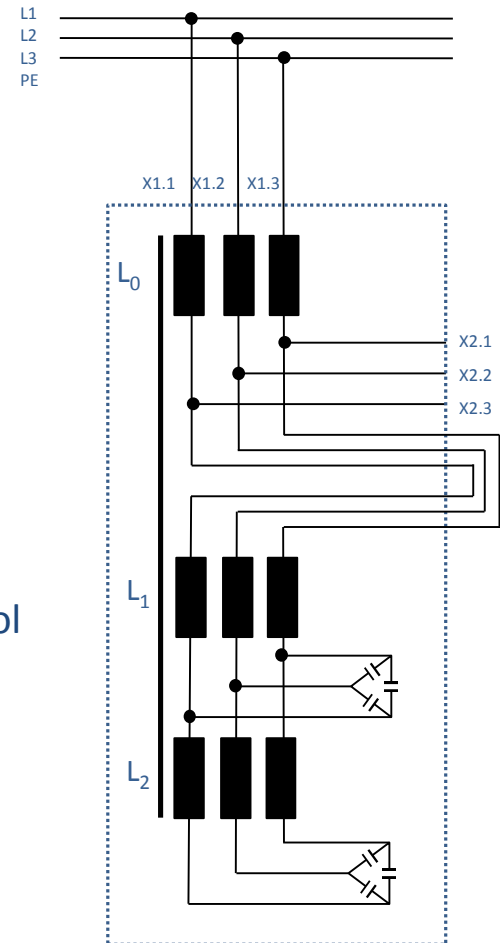
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RHF - 5P and RHF-8P

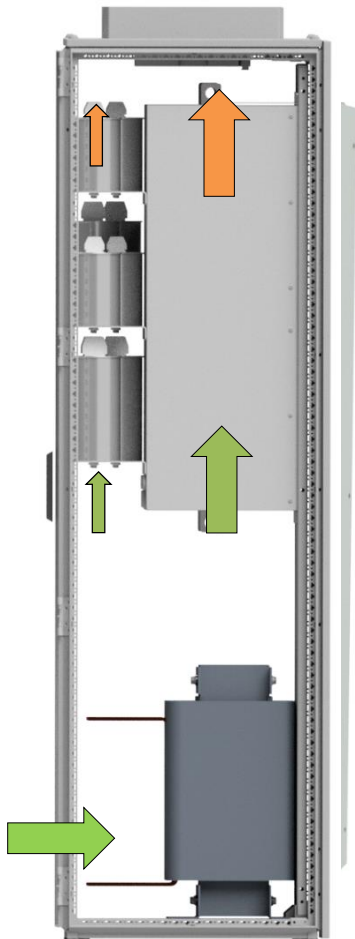
RHF – 3rd Generation

Standard Compact Size

- Available from 1.1 – 280kW (400V)
- Two different performance levels [THDi]
 - RHF-8P <8% (typ. test result 6,7%)
 - RHF-5P <5% (typ. test result 2,7%)
- High efficiency typically >99-99.5%
- Most efficient harmonic solution available
- Core temperature supervision and fan control
- Improves (true) power factor (pf or λ)
- Available for all common networks
- High lifetime expectation (typ. >15 Years)



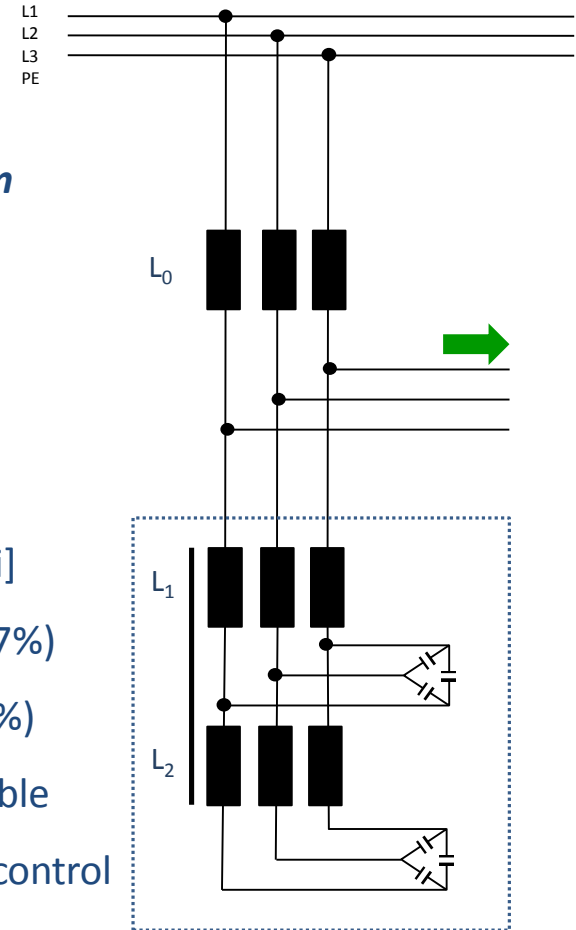
RHF - high power range 2nd generation



RHF – 3rd Generation

High Power Split or Enclosed design

- Available up to 710kW (400V nom.)
- Available up to 1MW (690V nom.)
- Mains inductance separated
- High efficiency typically 99,5%
- Two different performance levels [THDi]
 - RHF-5P <8% (typ. test result 6,7%)
 - RHF-B <5% (typ. test result 2,7%)
- Most efficient harmonic solution available
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Harmonics



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Benefits of the RHF

Benefit 1:

Performance

Benefit 2:

Efficiency

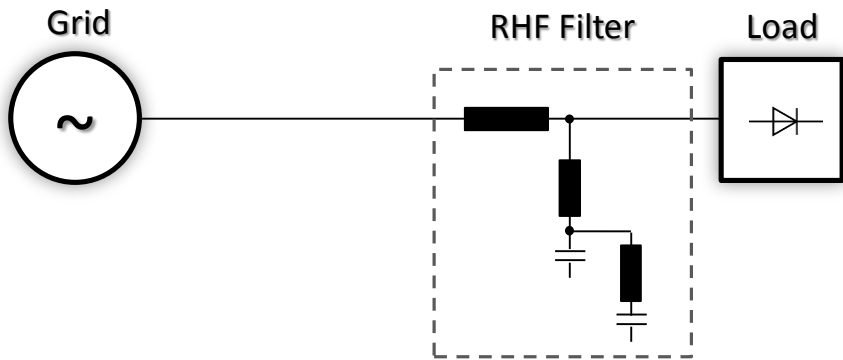
Benefit 3:

DC-Bus Level

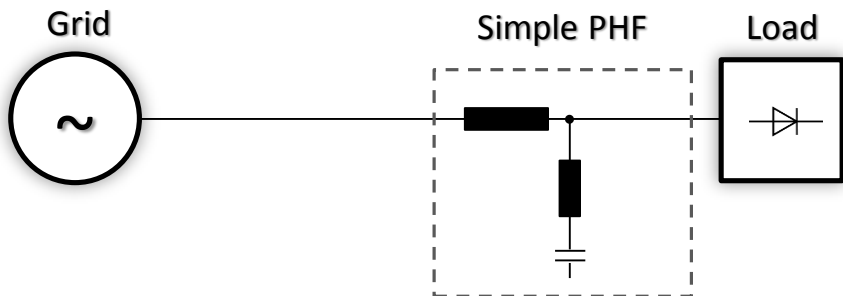
Benefit 4:

Quality

Harmonic Solutions for VSD - Passive HF

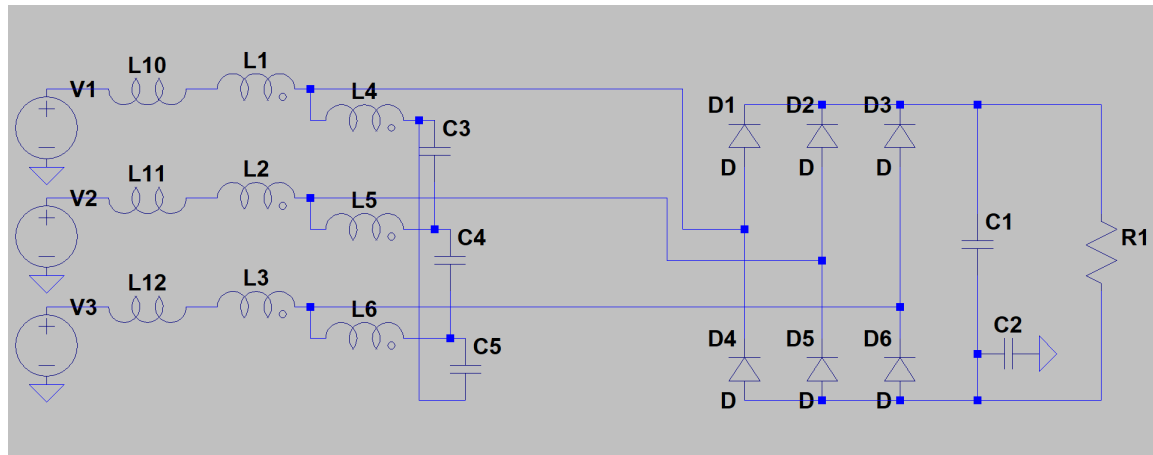
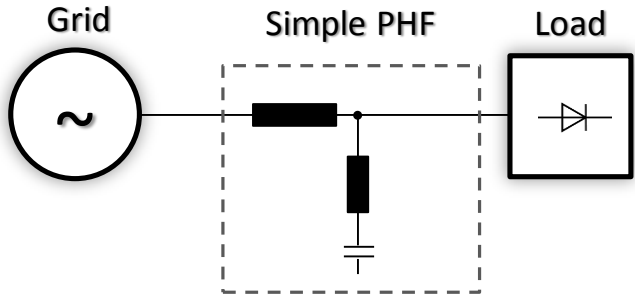
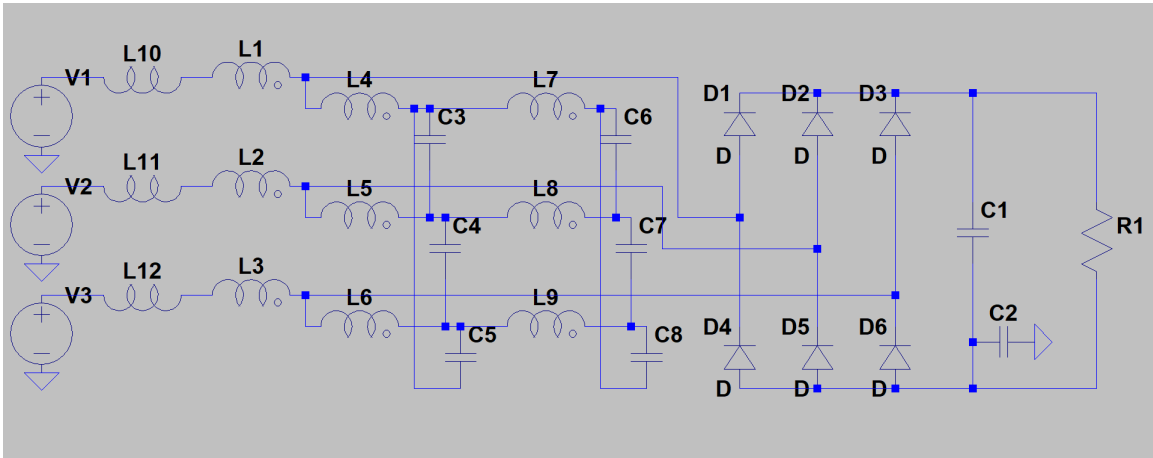
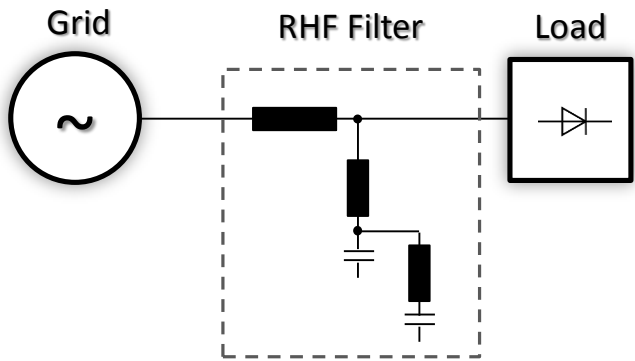


Setup	RHF-8P: High Efficient Harmonic Filter
Typical THDi	6-8%
Circuit	2 – Stage Filter
Advantage	Harmonic mitigation for all Harmonics
Disadvantage	Higher production costs

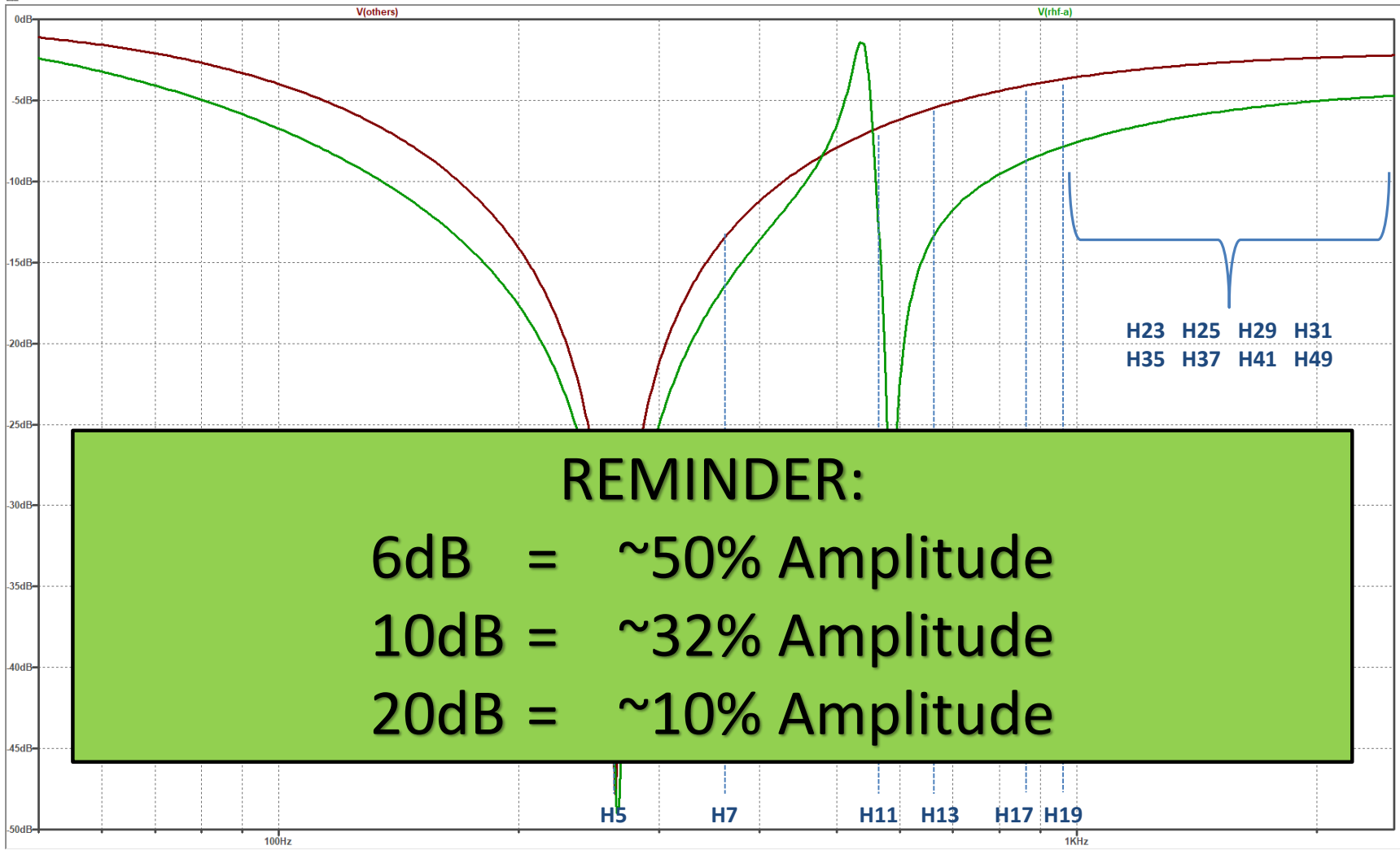


Setup	Simple Passive Harmonic Filter
Typical THDi	10-12%
Circuit	1 – Stage Filter
Advantage	Cheap
Disadvantage	Strong absorption only for 5 th and 7 th Harmonic. Low absorption of 11 th and 13 th harmonic. Very low absorption of high harmonics (>13 th)


Simulation RHF (10%) vs. Simple-PHF (10%)



Simulation RHF (10%) vs. Simple-PHF (10%)



Benefits of RHF



Harmonic Spectrum * (frequency band based on 50Hz fund.)	<i>THD</i> with RHF-A/B	<i>THD</i> with Simple HF	<i>THD</i> with AFE
2 nd – 7 th Harmonic (100Hz - 350Hz)	Very Low	Very Low	Very Low
2 nd – 50 th Harmonic (0,1kHz - 2,5kHz)	Very Low	Medium	Very Low
50 th – 200 th Harmonic (2,5kHz – 10kHz)	Very Low	Medium	High

*most common standards are only referring to harmonics up to 40 or 50.

Performance Guarantee Competitor

Performance Guarantee

Select and install the [REDACTED] Harmonic Filter in a variable torque AC variable frequency drive application, within our published system limits and we guarantee that the input

MINIMUM SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS

The guaranteed performance levels of this filter will be achieved when the following system conditions are met:

Frequency:	Nominal Frequency $\pm 0.75\text{Hz}$
System Voltage:	Nominal System Voltage (line to line) $\pm 10\%$
Balanced Line Voltage:	Within 1%
Background Voltage Distortion:	0% THVD

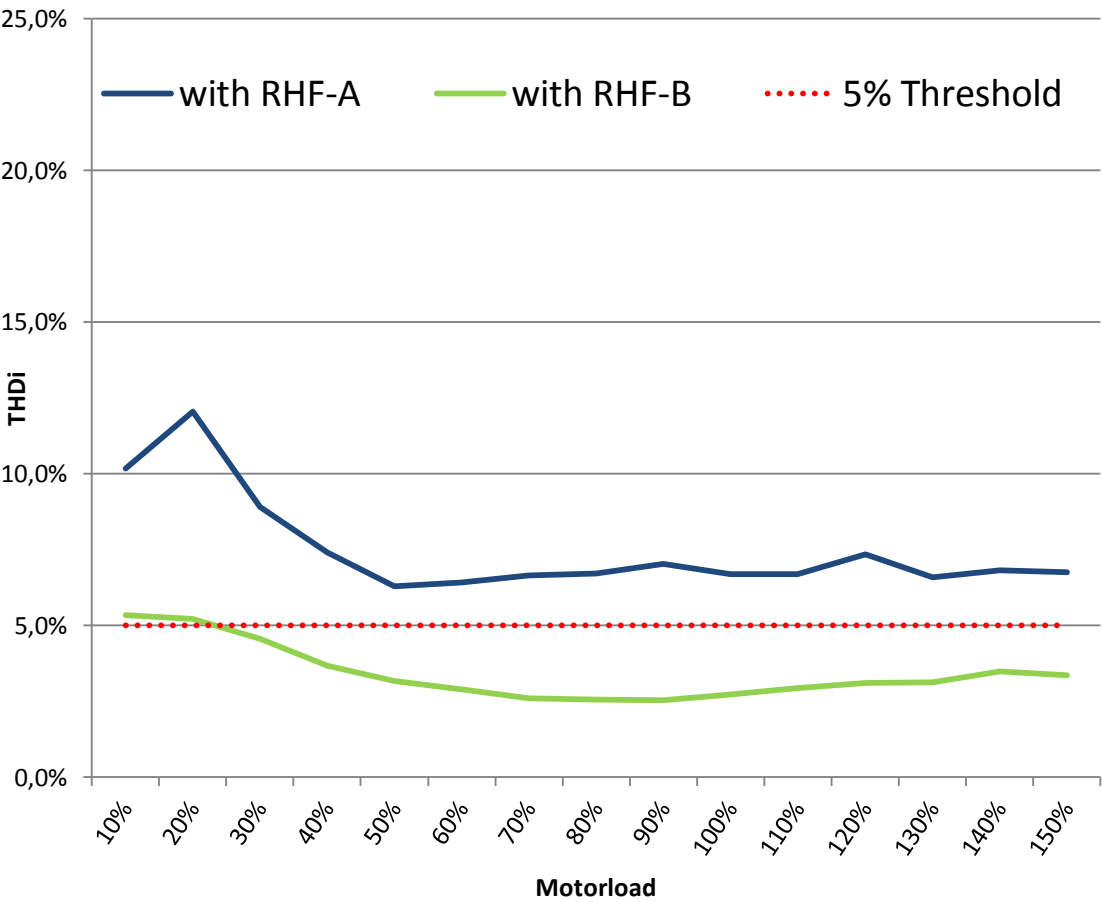
NOTE: The presence of background voltage distortion will cause motors and other linear loads to draw harmonic currents. Additional harmonic currents may flow into the [REDACTED] filter if there is harmonic voltage distortion already on the system.

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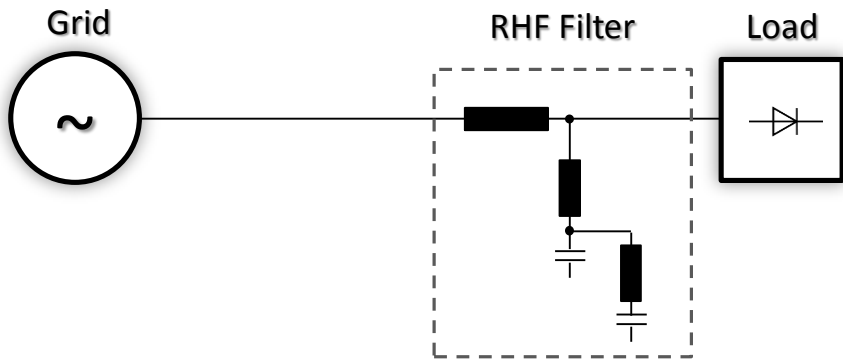
Optimizing your drive!

REVCON test conditions

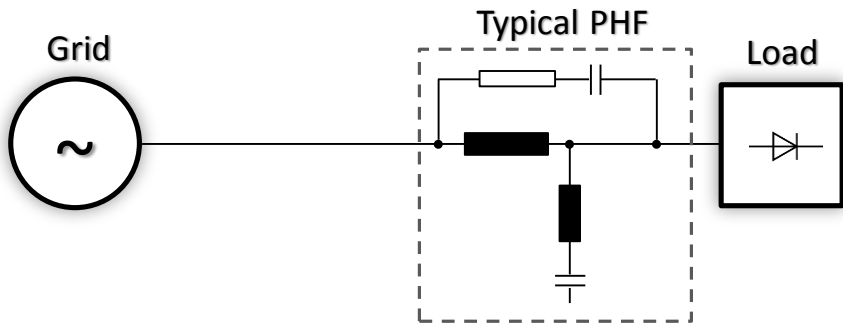


Condition during test	
Mains voltage	+2-4%
V Unbalance	0.7 – 1.1%
Frequency	+0.13Hz
Background THvD distortion	1.5-2%

Harmonic Solutions for 5% THDi



Setup	High Efficient Harmonic Filter
Possible THDi	2-5%
Circuit	2 – Stage Filter
Advantage	Harmonic mitigation for all Harmonics
Disadvantage	Higher production costs



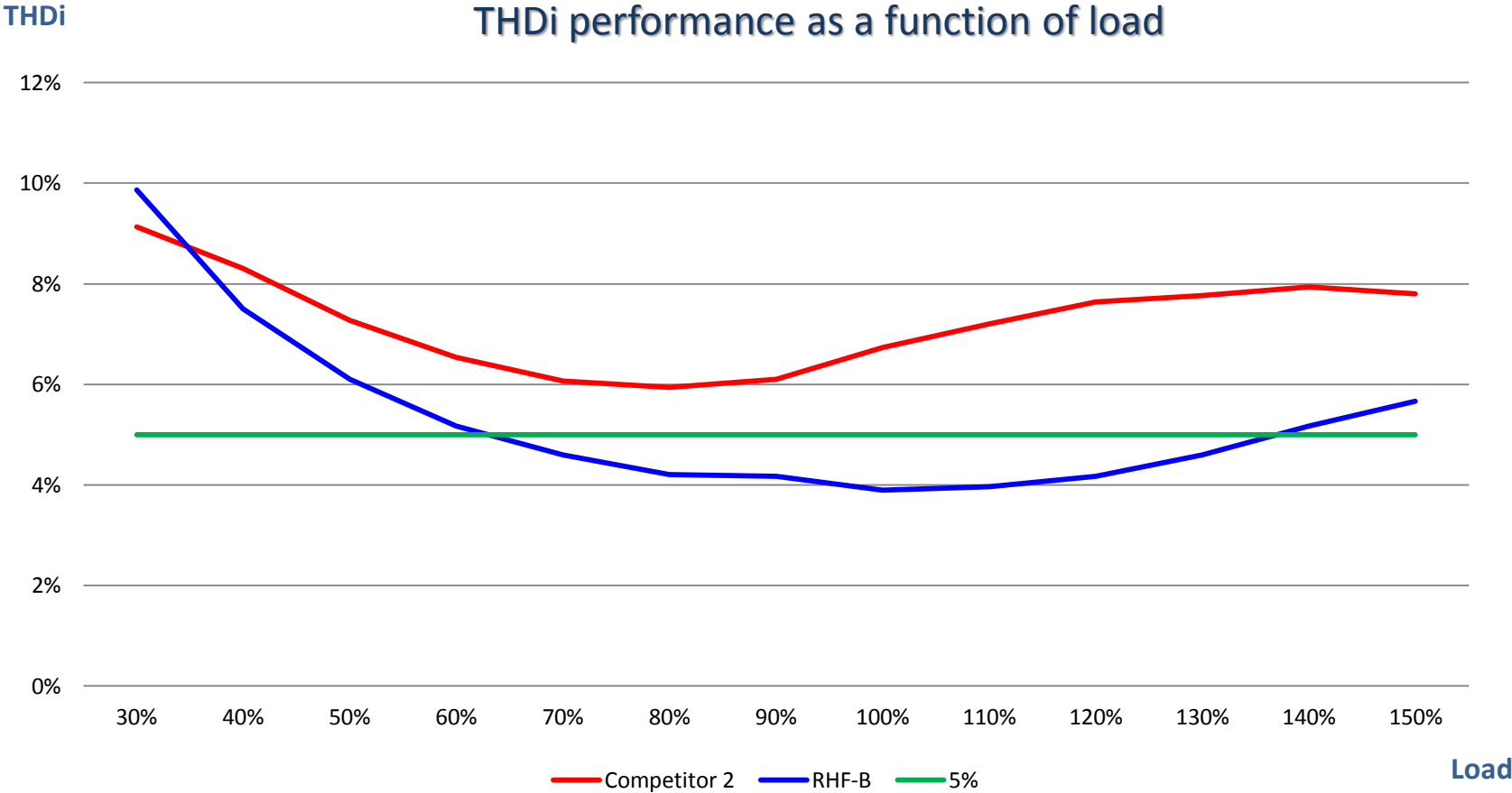
Setup	Simple Passive Harmonic Filter “S-PHF”
Possible THDi	4-6%
Circuit	1 – Stage Filter with RC Circuit.
Advantage	Lower Weight compared to 2-Stage
Disadvantage	High Power Loss

Misleading Statements (from competitor)

Recommended requirement

<p>Hardware</p>	<p>“Note: Performance specification in this brochure refer to six pulse diode rectifier with 8% DC-link choke. “ Comment: There are no drives with 8% DC-link choke on the market. DC Bus decrease would be significant and reduce drive performance</p>
<p>Performance</p>	<p>„THiD ~5%“ Comment: ~ 5% = About 5%. This means can be 6-7%. Correct: <5%</p>
<p>Power Quality</p>	<p>Background THvD distortion 0% Comment: this is not possible. Do not accept these kind of statements</p>
<p>Standards</p>	<p>“Helps/Supports to reach the IEEE519-2014” Normally means you need further equipment to reach the standard.</p>

Benefits of the RHF



✓ competitor products reach the required / stated values only under ideal conditions

Benefits of the RHF

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Performance

Benefit 2:

Efficiency

Benefit 3:

DC-Bus Level

Benefit 4:

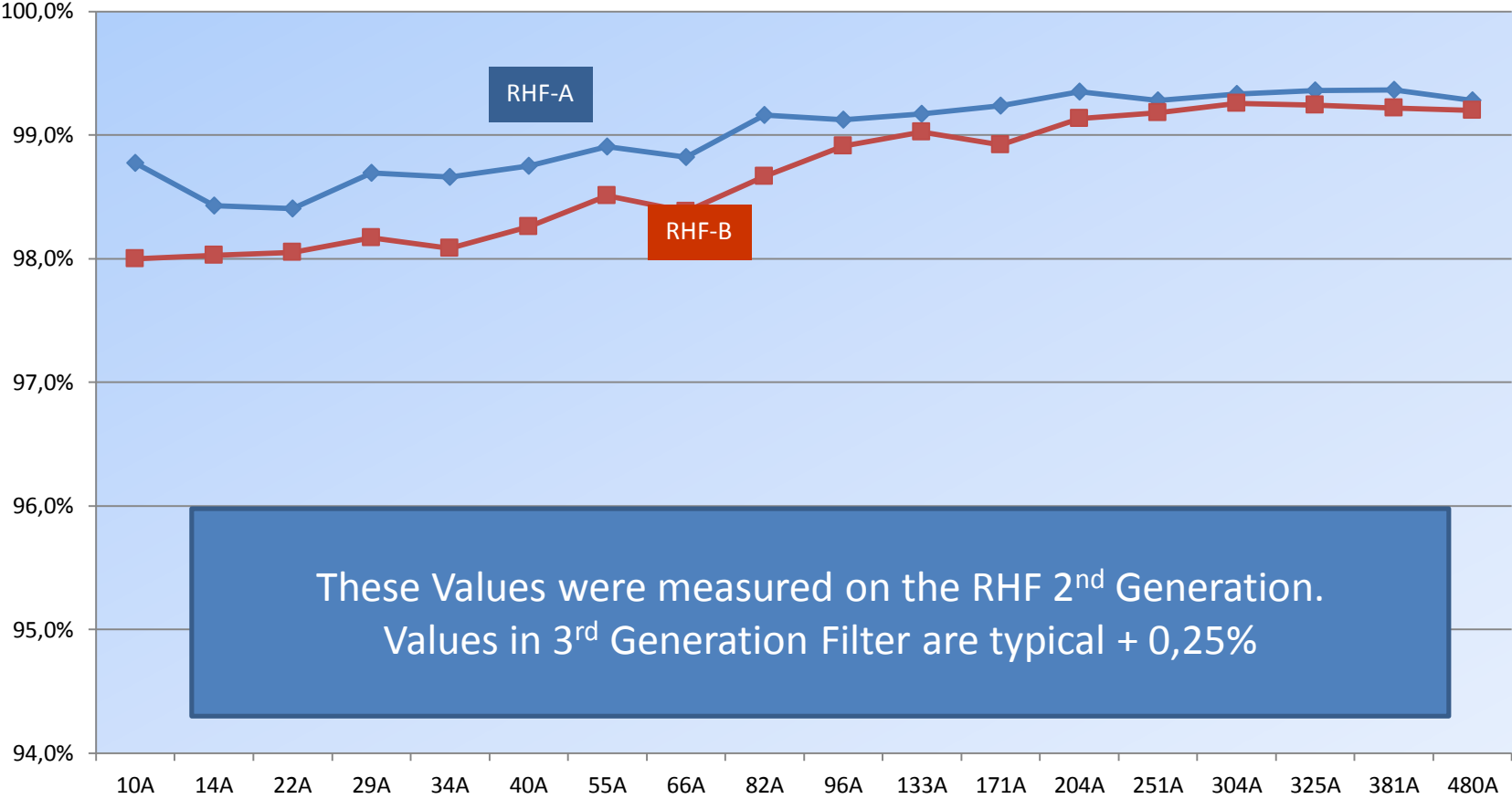
Quality



Optimizing your drive!

η of Harmonic Solutions - RHF

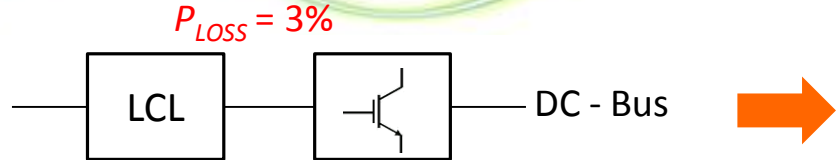
The efficiency of the Filter were measured with a Yokogawa high precision power meter WT 1800



These Values were measured on the RHF 2nd Generation.
Values in 3rd Generation Filter are typical + 0,25%

η of Harmonic Solutions - 200A example

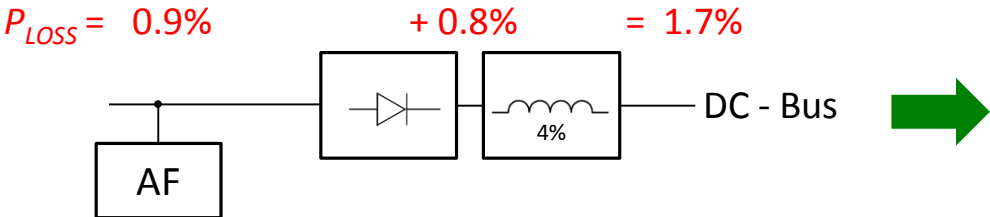
**Active Front End /
Low Harmonic Drive**



97% efficiency

Active Filter

+ B6 rectifier and
DC- choke

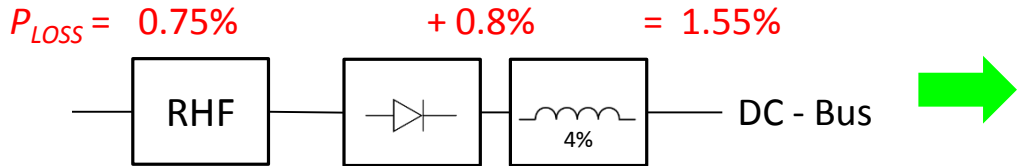


98,3% efficiency

High efficient

Passive Harmonic Filter

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DC- choke

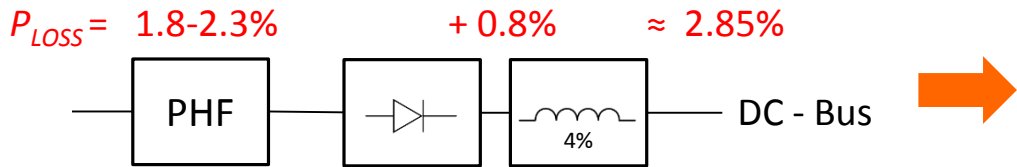


98.45% efficiency

Simple

Passive Harmonic Filter

+ B6 rectifier and
DC- choke



97.15% efficiency

* Assuming active filter sized for 30% of load current, filter efficiency of 97%.

η of Harmonic Solutions - 200kW example

Calculation example for: 200kW Drive $\left(\frac{24\text{h}}{\text{d}} ; \frac{365\text{d}}{\text{a}} ; \frac{0,15\$}{\text{kWh}}\right)$

Efficiency RHF topology: $\eta = 98.45\%$

Efficiency AFE topology: $\eta = 97\%$



$$\Delta\eta = 98.45\% - 97\% = -1.45\%$$

Annual energy savings:

$$E_{save} = P_{Input} \cdot \Delta\eta \cdot \frac{24\text{h}}{\text{d}} \cdot \frac{365\text{d}}{\text{a}} = 220\text{kW} \cdot 0.0145 \cdot \frac{24\text{h}}{\text{d}} \cdot \frac{365\text{d}}{\text{a}} = 27\,944 \frac{\text{kWh}}{\text{a}}$$

Annual cost savings:

$$C_{save} = E_{save} \cdot \text{energy cost} = 27\,944 \frac{\text{kWh}}{\text{a}} \cdot 0.15 \frac{\$}{\text{kWh}} = 4\,192 \frac{\$}{\text{a}}$$

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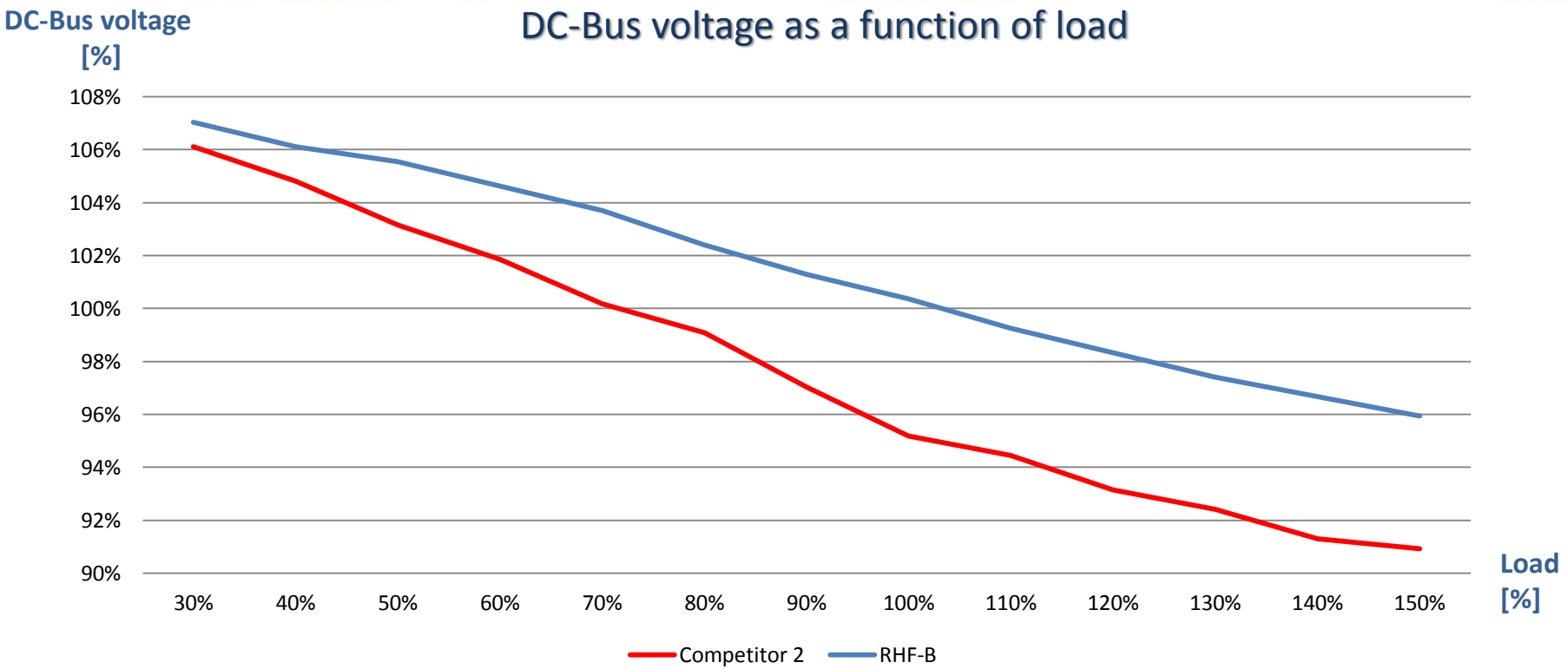
Benefit 3:

DC-Bus Level

Benefit 4:

Quality

Benefits of RHF



- ✓ Higher DC bus voltage leads to better motor performance (full motor torque), less IGBT losses and higher lifetime expectancy.

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reasons to use the REVCON RHF

- ✓ *Individual full load testing for each harmonic filter!*
- ✓ *Reliable PELV thermal protection*
- ✓ *High quality terminals with defined connection torque*
- ✓ *Follows sustainable development goals of UN*
- ✓ *True ISO 9001 : 2015 certification*
- ✓ *Corporate Social Responsibility – our quality management personnel are ambassador of CSR*
- ✓ *Production in accordance to European quality standards*

✓ \sum RHF product failure = 0%

Harmonics

A passive filter, is a passive filter. Right?

Passive Harmonic Filter show some significant difference in internal setup.

This leads to difference in:

THDi Performance (higher order harmonics)

Efficiency (for 5% *THDi* Filters)

Drive Performance (DC-Bus level)

Quality (Terminals! Thermal Protection!)

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Harmonics

What is the best Harmonic Solution?

Harmonic Solutions for VSD - System distortion

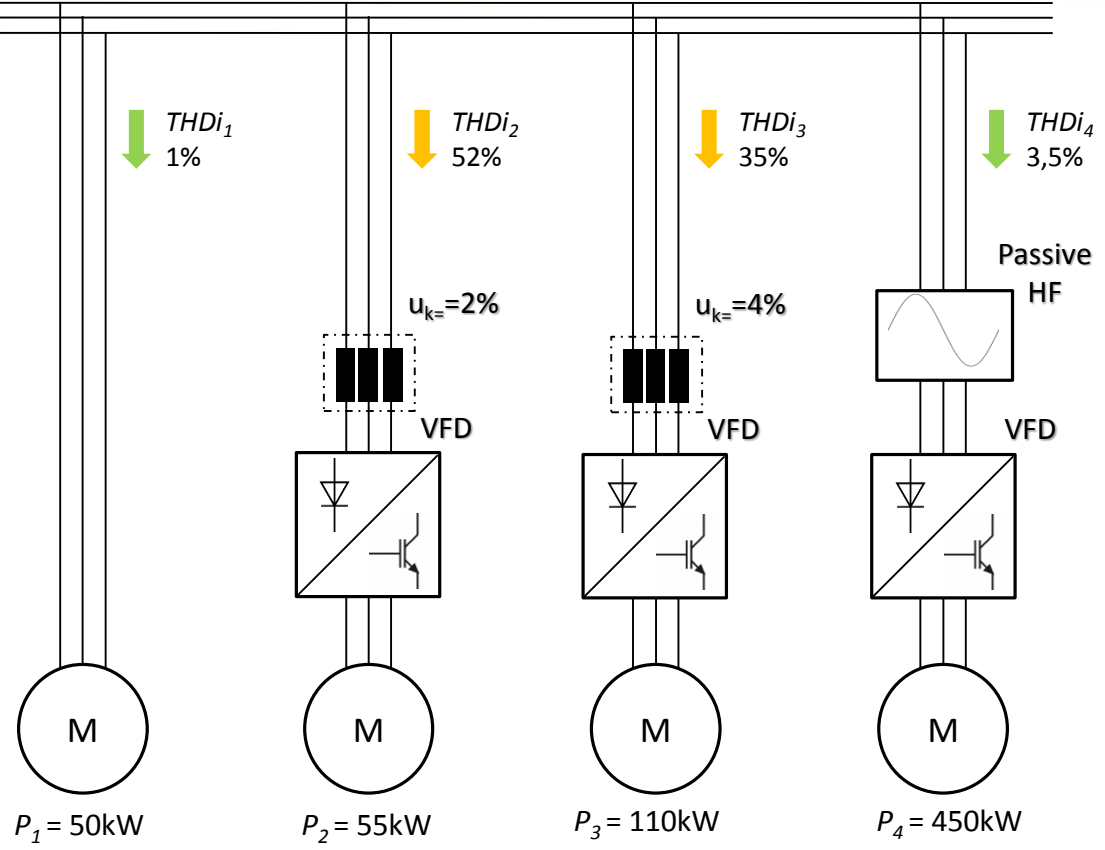
$P_{input} \approx 750kW$

$THDi_T = 11.24\%$

The calculation of resulting total grid $THDi$ is very complex and considers the phase angle of every individual harmonic order. These values were simulated with Danfoss HCS.

The following calculation can be used as a rough harmonic result estimation.

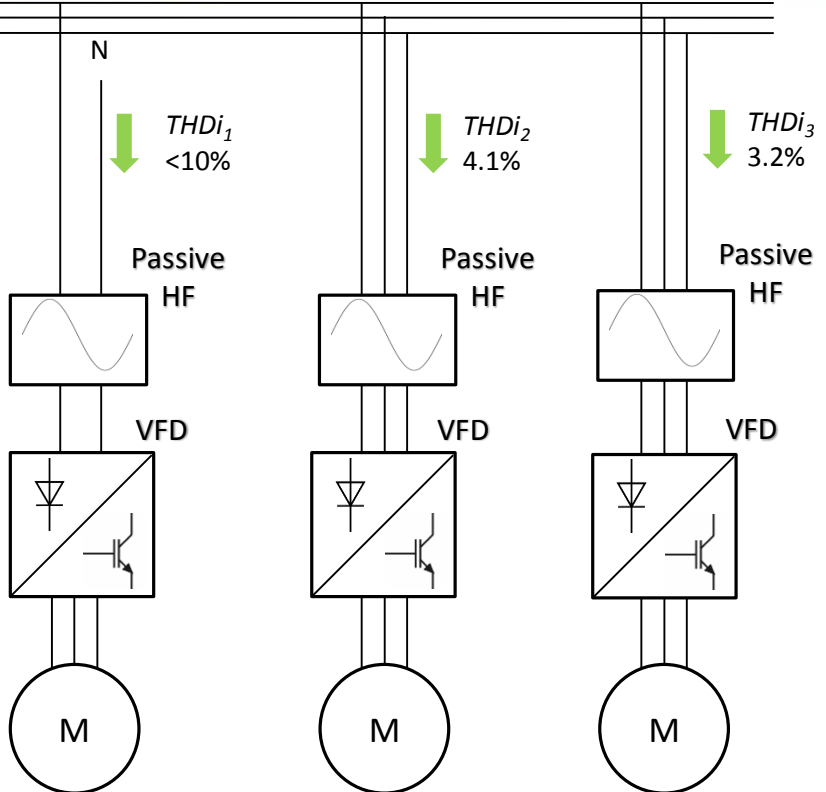
Different setups may cause bigger result difference!



$$THDi_{input} \approx \frac{P_1 * THDi_1 + P_2 * THDi_2 + P_3 * THDi_3 + P_4 * THDi_4}{P_{1+2+3+4}} = 12,8\%$$

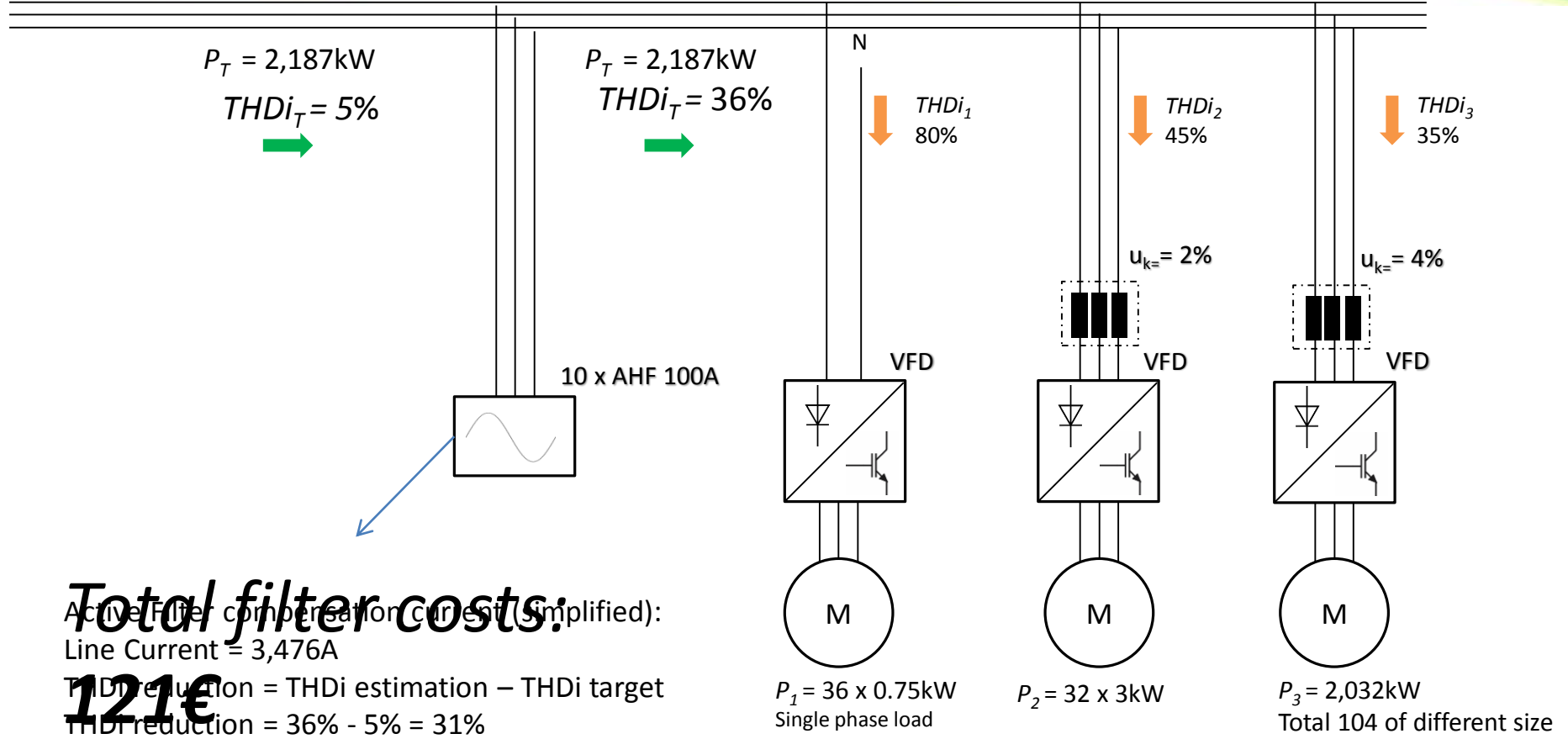
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$P_T = 2,187\text{kW}$
 $THDi_T = 3.3\%$



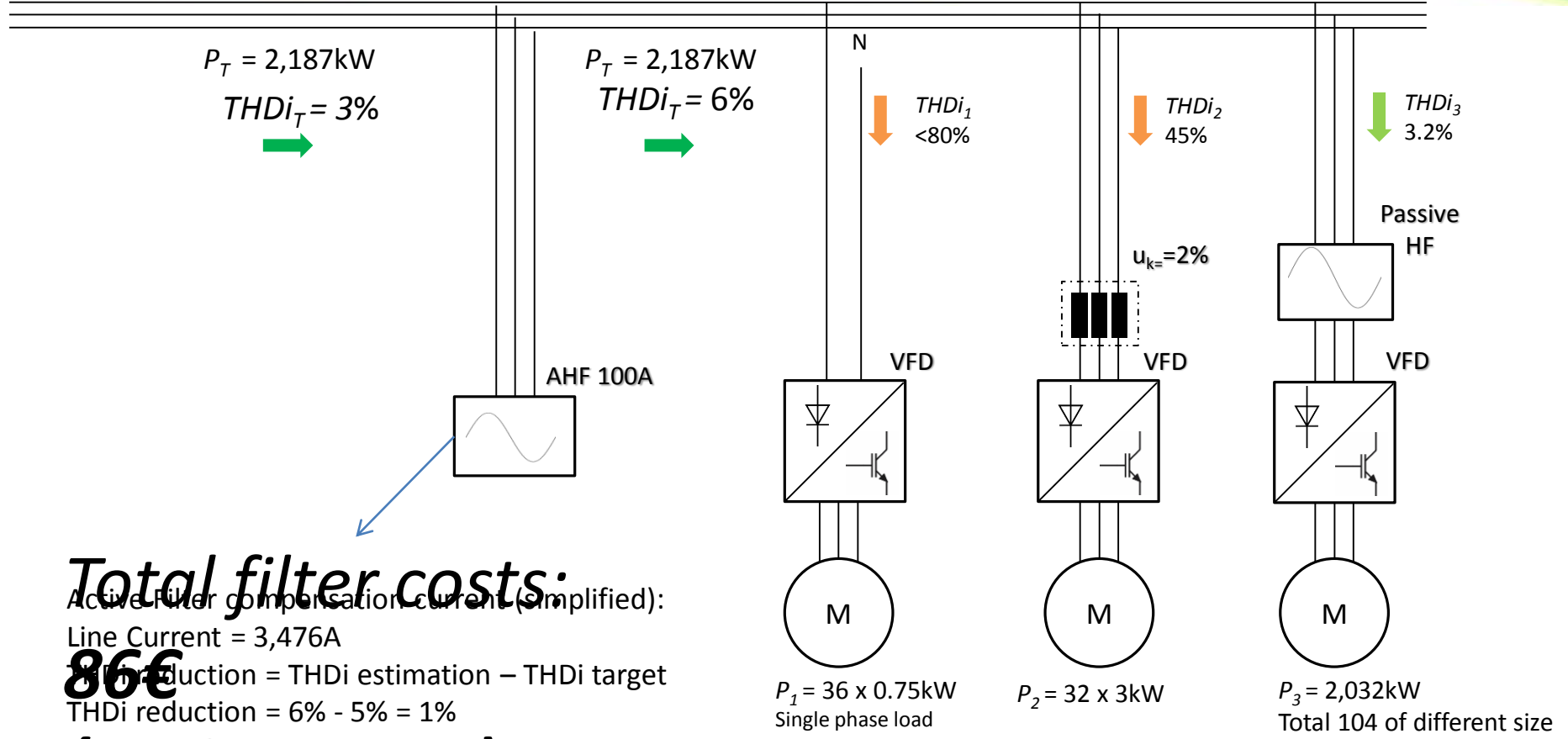
Total filter costs:
100€

Project HK SST



Total filter costs:
 Active Filter compensation current (Simplified):
 Line Current = 3,476A
 THDi reduction = THDi estimation – THDi target
 THDi reduction = 36% - 5% = 31%
 Compensation current = 1029A
(21% higher costs)

Project HK SST



Total filter costs:
 Active Filter compensation current (simplified):
 Line Current = 3,476A
86€
 THDi reduction = THDi estimation – THDi target
 THDi reduction = 6% - 5% = 1%
 Compensation current = 3,05A
(savings 14%)

Harmonics

What is the best Harmonic Solution?

All Harmonic Solutions have their advantages and disadvantages

Pure Passive Solution (good when many **big loads**)

Pure Active Solution (good for many **small drives**)

Hybrid (good for **mix of big and small drives**)

Active Front End (good for applications with **regenerative power**)

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RHF - Active

RHF-Active 100-400-50/60-20-A

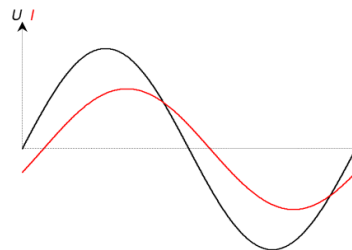
- Advanced IGBT 3-Level topology
- Low losses = Compact size
- Power Loss 2078W max.
- Switching frequency 10-20kHz
- Unlimited parallel setup
- Efficient Harmonic elimination up to 50th
- 99% system efficiency

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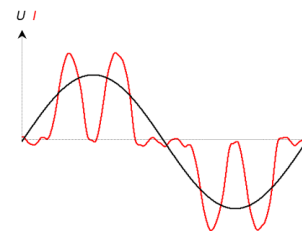
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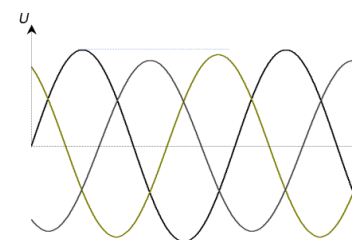
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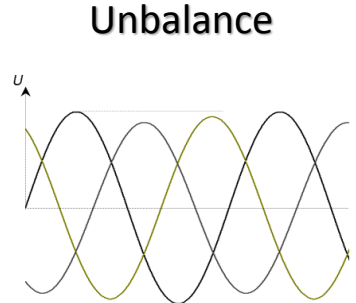
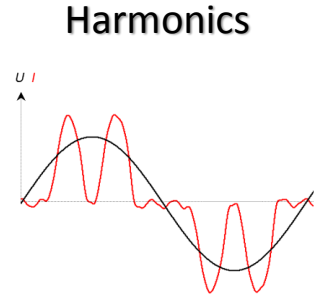
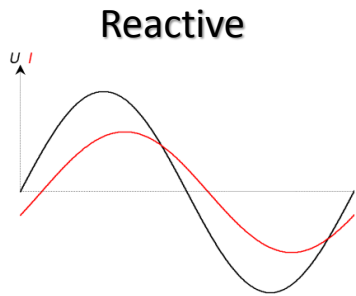
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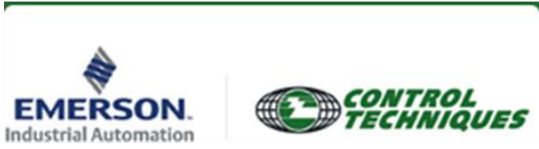
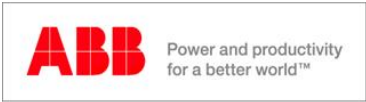
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8dm³

- SiC-Power MOSFET's and Schottky
- Low losses = Compact size
- System Efficiency 99,4% (based on 30% THDi Reduction)
- Unit Efficiency 98% @60kHz!
- High performance on strongly distorted load (e.g. 90% to 7%)
- High Performance on high order harmonics
- Noiseless!



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