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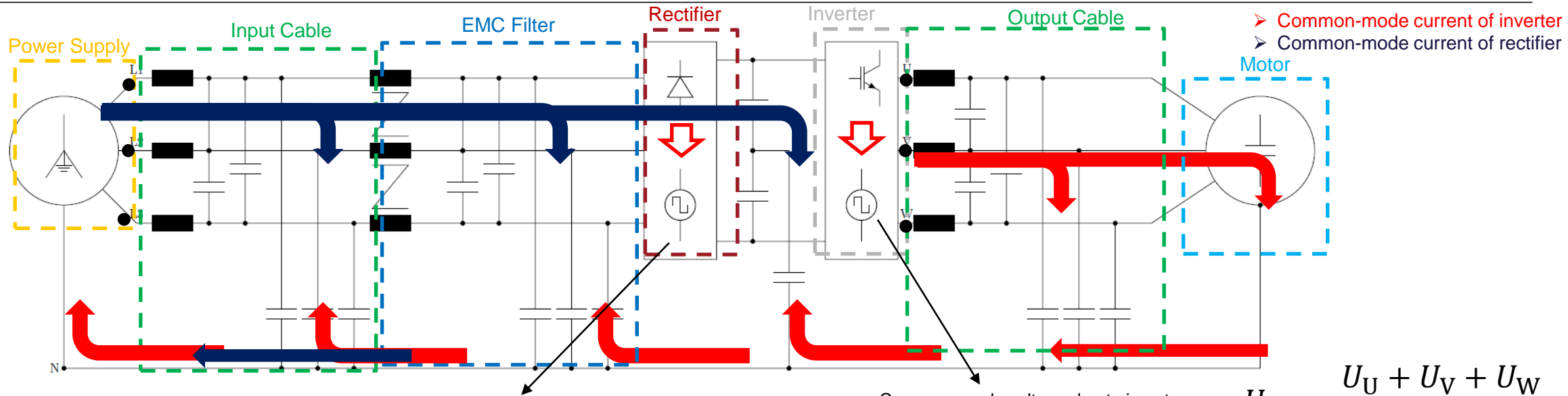
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# Electric motors and common-mode currents

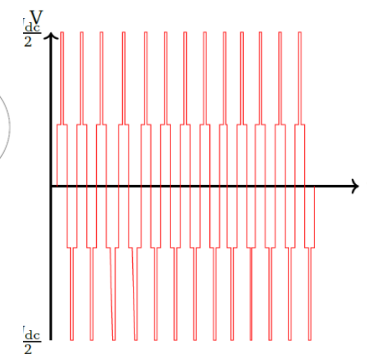
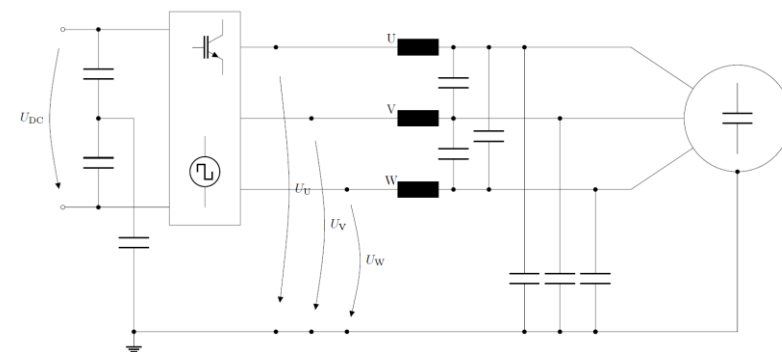
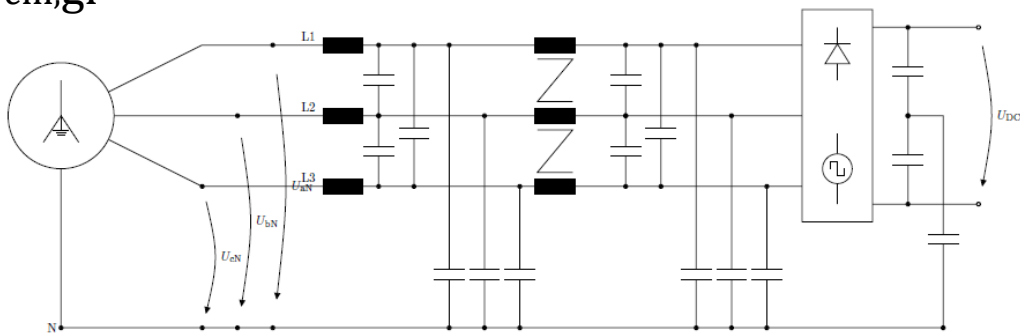


$$U_{cm,gl} = \min(U_{aN}, U_{bN}, U_{cN})$$

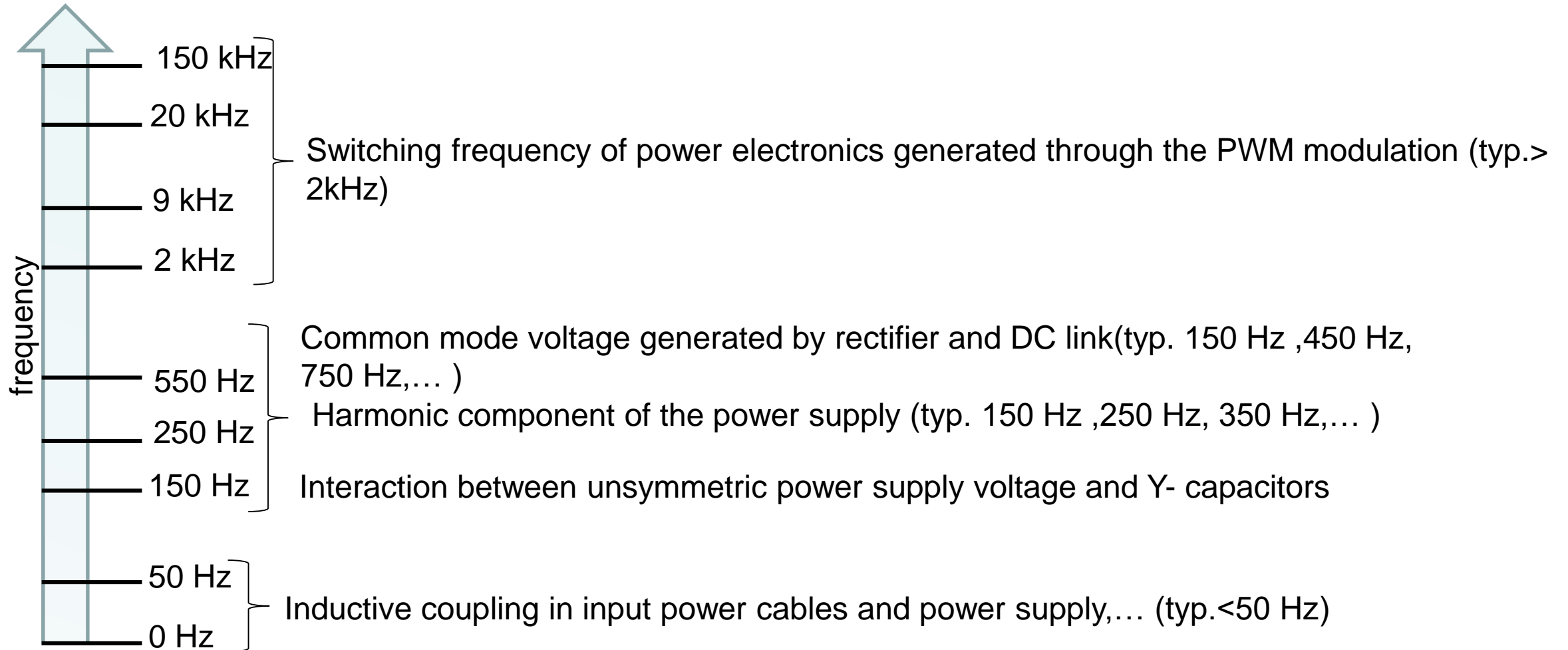
Common-mode voltage rectifier

Common-mode voltage due to inverter

$$U_{cm} = \frac{U_U + U_V + U_W}{3}$$

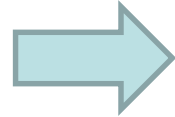


# Frequency components of the common mode currents

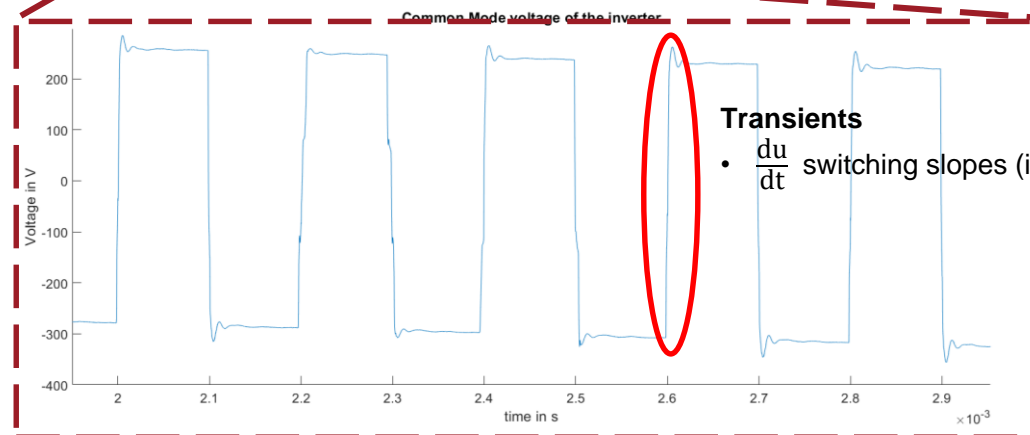
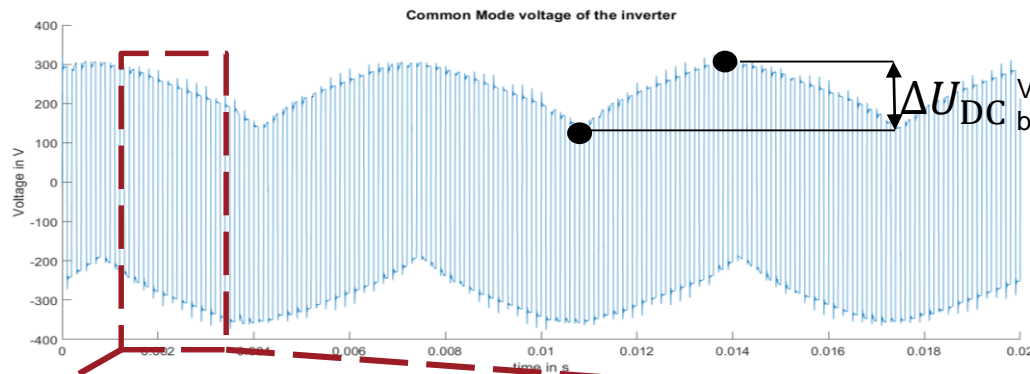


# Common-mode (CM) voltage of the inverter

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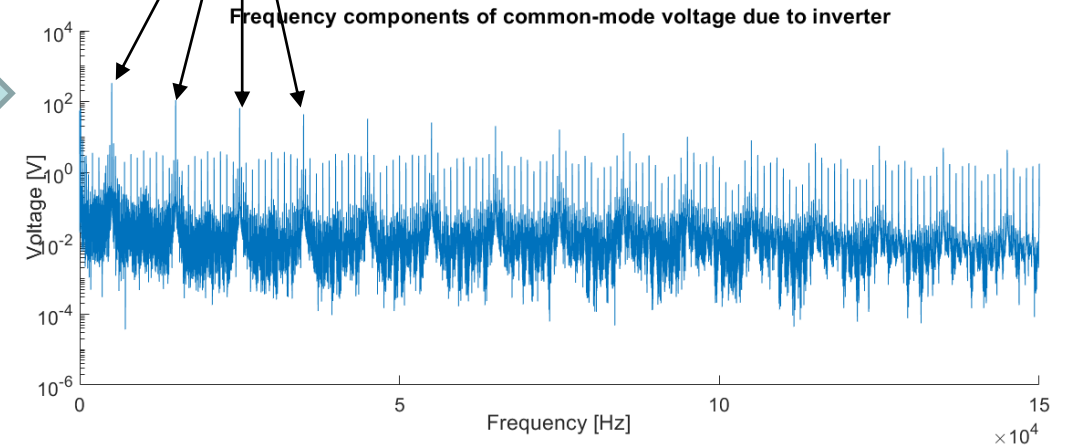


The CM voltage is a staircase function with step  $\pm \frac{1}{3} U_{DC}$  ( $U_{DC}$  = DC Link voltage)



## Fundamental wave and harmonics

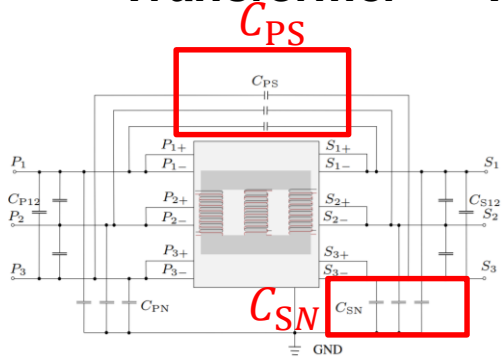
- Switching frequency ( $f_s$ ) and harmonics ( $3 \cdot f_s, 5 \cdot f_s$ , etc)
- Modulation technique
- Topology of the inverter



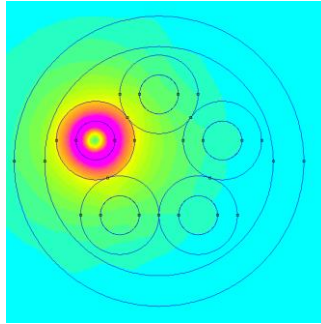
- Inverter adds common-mode voltage components at the switching frequency and its harmonics
- The kind of modulation also influences the frequency components

# Propagation Paths

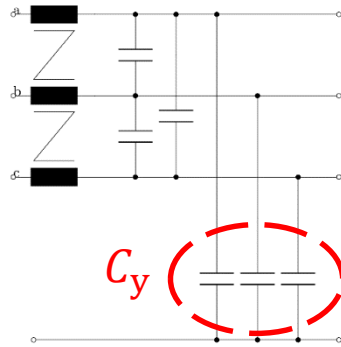
## Transformer



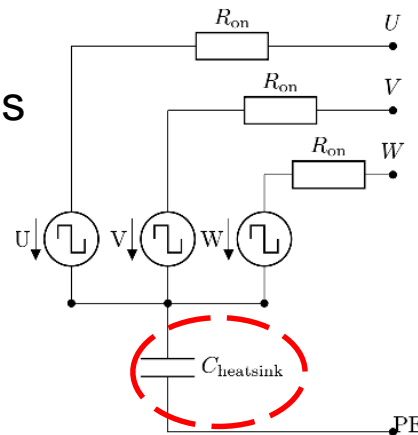
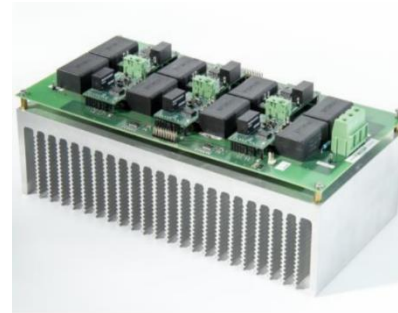
## Input Cable



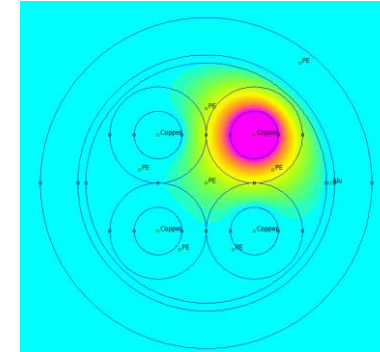
## EMC Filter



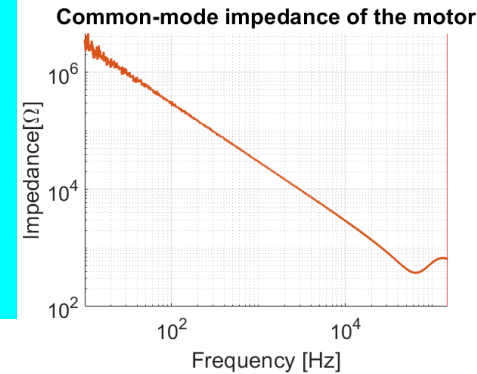
## Converter



## Output Cable



## Motor



- $C_{ps}$  provides a coupling path for the common-mode between primary and secondary
- $C_{ps}$  provides a coupling path for the common-mode between secondary side and ground

- 2 possible paths for the common-mode
  - PE wire
  - N wire

- $C_y$  capacitances provides a path for the common-mode

- Path → Capacitance of the heatsink

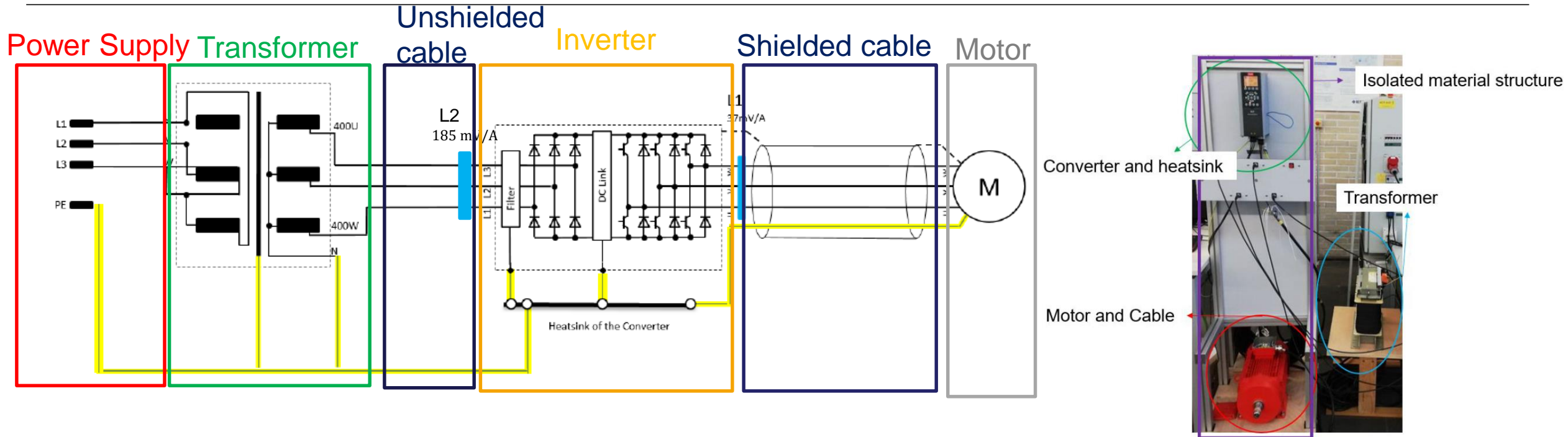
- 2 possible paths for the common-mode current:
  - PE wire
  - Shield

Induction motor  
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Capacitive behaviour for the common-mode



# REFERENCE SYSTEM

# Reference system



- The system is isolated → The whole common-mode current flows through the PE of the cable and the shield of the cable



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# High frequency representation of the leakage current at higher frequency

## Task

- Development of a double pulse test and application on the reference system
- Evaluation from the measurements to the common-mode voltage in relation to the length of the cables
- Usage of the Bewley lattice to foresee the leakage current because of the effect of the pulses

## Requisites:

- Knowledge of Matlab and Simulink
- PLECS knowledge is a plus
- Experience in PCB is also helpful for this task
- Knowledge of transimssion line theory

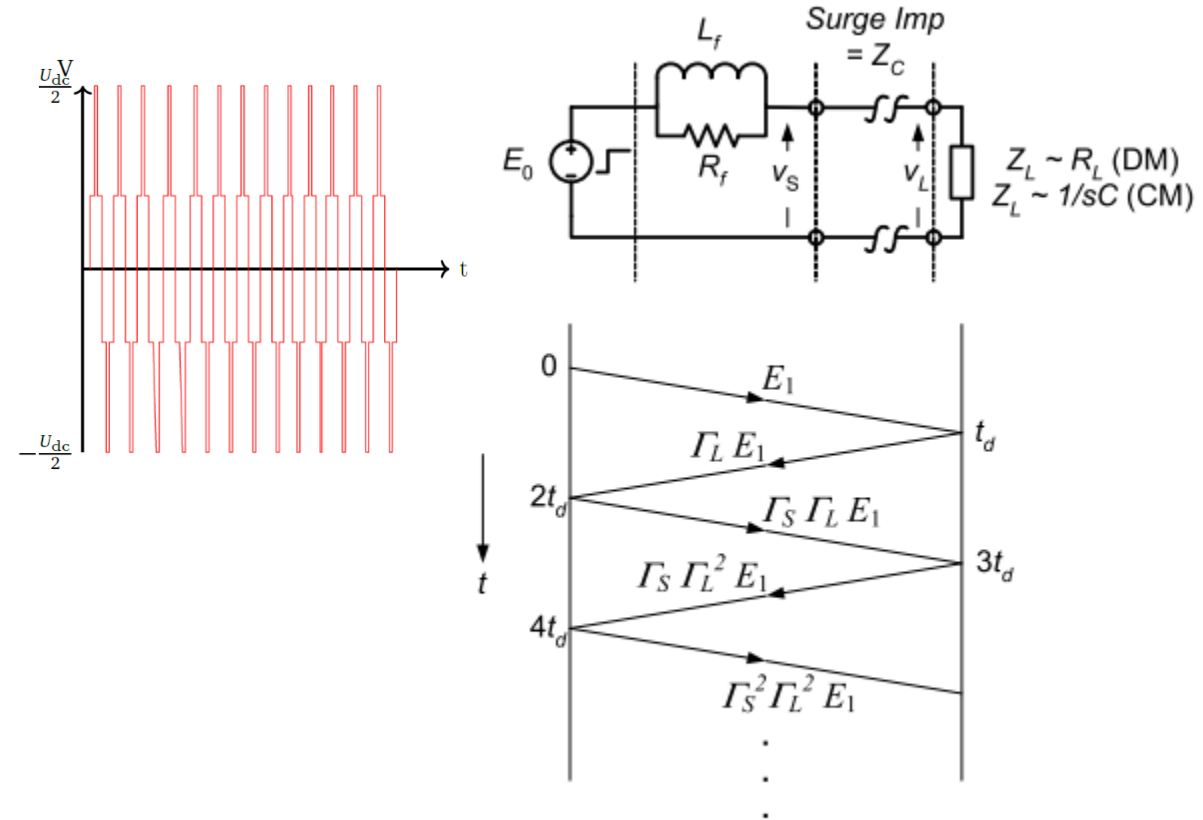


Fig. 6. Bewley lattice diagram showing reflections on motor cable with L-R filter