

# Validation of Step Response And Harmonic Analysis of The Microgrid Connected Inverter

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**Abstract** –In order to minimize harmonic instability, grid connection rules typically specify restrictions for the quantity of harmonic content in the inverter's load current. In addition, a range of techniques, including as advanced filtering and regulation algorithms, are employed by inverter manufacturers to minimize harmonic distortion. Thus, the goal of this study is to determine the grid-connected inverter's total harmonic distortion (THD) effectiveness. The survey includes a thorough assessment of relevant studies and identifies the issues. The Simulink model for grid-connected inverters is then validated in the article. The THD performance is assessed for various voltage ratings and design parameters. For the investigation, the number of inverter levels and the corresponding THD are taken into account. It has been discovered that increasing the switching control can lower harmonic distortions and raise PV equipment's voltage efficiency.

**Key Words:**Grid Connected Inverter, Switching, PWM, Solar PV, Renewable Energy,FFT Analysis, Total Harmonic Distortion (THD),

## I INTRODUCTION

In grid-connected photovoltaic inverters, harmonic instability can pose a serious threat to the stability of the system. Numerous investigations have looked into ways to assess and reduce harmonic instability in these kinds of systems. Studies have indicated that the stability of grid-tied inverters can be affected by variables such variations in grid impedance, control schemes like dual-loop current regulation with active damping, and the inclusion of PCC voltage feedforward loops [1] [2] [3] [4]. Furthermore, the harmonic stability of grid-connected multi-paralleled 3-phase solar PV inverters was evaluated by employing impedance-based stability criteria, emphasizing the importance of grid impedance in establishing system stability [5]. These results highlight how crucial it is to take into account different management schemes and grid factors in order to guarantee the harmonic performance of grid-connected photovoltaic inverters

The Grid connected inverters are recently widely used in the renewable energy power systems (PS). The analysis of these inverters' harmonic instability is the main focus of this paper. Two important factors employed in stability analysis are the

total harmonic distension (THD) and the examination of the hysteresis current regulation. The measurement of the voltage or current waveform's divergence from the ideal sinusoidal shape is called THD. Using Fourier analysis these distortions quantifies the undesired harmonics present in the voltage or current waveforms.

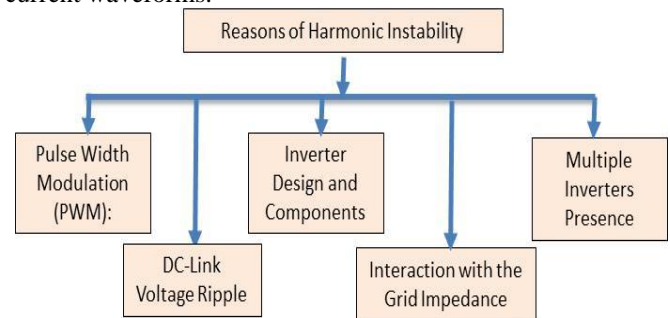


Figure 1 Reasons of Harmonic Instability in PS

For the purpose of preserving and improving power system stability, THD analysis is essential. The Grid connected systems are most widely used in the PS especially with solar PV systems. This research paper aimed to first validate one of such system.

Grid-connected inverters particularly are frequently seen in solar and other renewable energy systems have the potential to cause harmonic instability in the electrical grid. These are a few most prevalent reasons for these instabilities as shown in the Figure 1. PWM is a technique used by inverters to transform DC power from solar panels into grid-compatible AC power. Due to improper switching during the inverters design due to improper PWM generation T at 50 Hz frequency may cause harmonics of n time frequencies. Which are significantly making PS instable?

- As a result of an inverter component error higher harmonic content leakage into the output current can be caused by limits in switching devices (such as IGBTs) or by imperfect filtering inside the inverter.
- In addition the inverter's injected harmonics may resonate with the power grid's impedance, particularly weak grids featuring high resistance or low inductance. Certain harmonic frequencies are amplified by this resonance, which causes instability.

The cumulative harmonic currents in big solar farms with numerous inverters running into a single grid connection might get substantial and worsen resonance problems.

- Additional THD distortion might be introduced by variations with the output of the AC current brought about by fluctuations within the DC voltage feeding the inverter.

## 2 Research Problem

Therefore due to these reasons it is highly required to evaluate the performance of the Grid Connected inverters in terms of THD measurement and also the comparison of the hysteresis cures. The requirement is to analyse the relative instability of the system. The validation and testing of the Grid connected inverter is an open field of the research.

A number of issues with the electrical grid can result from these harmonic instabilities, such as:

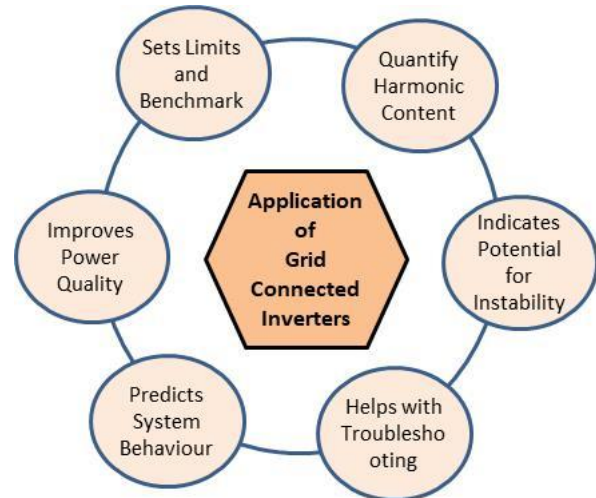
- Higher power losses because of conductor as well as transformer heating.
- Protective relays not working properly.
- Interference with systems for control along with communication.
- Lower quality power for additional users.

Grid connection norms usually set limits for the amount of harmonic content within the inverter's load current in order to reduce harmonic instability. Furthermore, inverter manufacturers use a variety of methods, including sophisticated filtering and control algorithms, to reduce harmonic distortion. Therefore it is the aim of this paper to validate the grid connected inverter and its THD performance.

## 3. Applications of Grid Connected Inverters

Grid-connected inverters particularly are frequently seen in solar and other renewable energy systems have the potential to cause harmonic instability in the electrical grid. When studying and sustaining harmonic stability in PS, the THD is an important statistic. This is especially true for grid-connected inverters utilized in renewable energy. Extended more is the significance of THD:

The applications of the THD analysis in grid systems are shown in the Figure 2.



The THD quantifies the harmonic content of a signal by giving a single, standardized figure that reflects the ratio of the power in the fundamental frequency to the total power in all of the signal's harmonic components. Extend more Put more simply, it indicates the amount of distortion (harmonics) in relation to the pure, ideal AC sine wave.

**Suggests Possible Instability:** The output current of the inverter with a high THD value indicates a high level of harmonic content. This raises the possibility of resonance with the grid impedance, which could result in variations in voltage and current that could cause the power system to become unstable.

**Sets boundaries and benchmarks:** Power network with grid connection regulations specify allowable THD levels for inverter output.

**Monitoring THD ensures compliance with these requirements and prevents significant harmonic injection, which could disrupt the grid.**

**Helps with Troubleshooting:** THD readings can help engineers discover possible sources of harmonic distortion inside the inverter and the way it interacts with the grid. This information is useful for troubleshooting and executing corrective actions.

**Predicts system behavior.** Understanding THD allows us to forecast the possible impact of adding more inverters to the system. It helps to keep total harmonic distortion within acceptable ranges while also maintaining grid stability.

**Improves Power Quality:** By reducing THD, inverters help to provide cleaner power to consumers. This reduces difficulties like device malfunction and interruption in communication.

## Contribution of Work

Determining the total harmonic distortion (THD) efficacy of the grid-connected inverter is the aim of this study. The survey outlines the problems and provides a comprehensive evaluation of pertinent studies. The article then validates the Simulink model for grid-connected inverters. We evaluate the THD performance for different voltage levels and design parameters. The number of inverter levels and the associated THD are considered for the investigation. It has been found that raising the switching control can reduce harmonic

distortions and improve the voltage efficiency of PV equipment.

#### 4.Review of Telecom Inverters

A cascaded dual low-pass filter is intended to address the problem of instability. Instability results from adding the whole PCC voltage feedforward loop.

Charilaos C et al [4]suggestedto create green wireless communication systems, this letter explores cost-effective resource allocation techniques with a Quality of Service (QoS) guarantee. To determine the best combined subcarrier & distribution of power plan, they applied convex optimization. To solve transcendental equations, a novel approach to solution was put forth. The simulation results show that, in terms of thermal achievement and EE,,QoS assurance,

Yuan Cao et al[5] have proposed to use current-starved (CS) transistors for inverter design and CS are added to the inputs for every multiplexing cell. Since the CS-inverters have bias at the zero temperatures coefficient (ZTC) particular, variations in temperature have no effect on the total latencies of the two equal pathways. To address the asymmetry input and clocking to output transmission latency of the D flip-flop as well as the RS latching arbiter's a state of meta issue, an asymmetrical two RS latch dependent arbiter is suggested. In order to achieve ZTC, the drain electrical currents of CS-inverters are limited, which significantly lowers the power demand of the suggested PUF. Reactions from experimental chips made using a conventional 65 nm CMOS technology have successfully verified the efficacy of the suggested PUF design.

Authors with ArranzGimón et al.[6]have compared the various THD factors currently established in the literature and in standards to determine which are best suited for assessing harmonic along with interharmonic contamination within power system signals that include those present at inverter outputs.

YoungcheolChae et al [7] stated that equipment's lower energy use is made possible by CMOS's constant feature size scaling. But with the scaled CMOS technology, operational amplifiers—which have historically formed the foundation of analogue circuits—face formidable hurdles. Regaining popularity, dynamic transistors built around CMOS inverters are now necessary for maximising efficiency of energy in all analogue components. The development of environmentally friendly inverter-based amplifiers, including biasing strategies and operational principles, is covered in this section of the book. It also discusses new developments in the prevention of inverter-based circuit function deterioration as

well as contemporary inverter-based amplifier architecture instances.

Yongliang, You et al [8] decreased PrBaMn2O6-δ (r-PBM), which has a multi-layered triple mica framework, has an ultrahigh resistance and is a good material for electrodes for capacitors that uses oxygen anion incorporation. It was demonstrated that the hydrogen therapy greatly increases the capacity by facilitating the development of the layers double gemstone framework. The resultant r-PBM substance exhibits an excellent dimensional capacitors of ≈2535.3 F cm<sup>-3</sup> at the current density of 1 A g<sup>-1</sup>, as well as an extremely high the gravimetric method capacitors of 1034.8 F g<sup>-1</sup>.

K. Tsukamoto et al. [9]concluded that optical subscription network can employ a very effective and small inverter as a ring generating. For the converter, an entirely novel topology is suggested that makes use of polarity flip switch and PWM control in order to achieve high efficiency and small size. The highest efficiency of the converter is approximately 15% greater, and its volume is half that of the previous ring generator.

Maintaining power quality requires a thorough investigation of Grid Connected PV Inverters' Total Harmonic Distortion (THD). The goal of several studies has been to maximize THD levels in solar energy systems.. Francisco et al [11] aim of this study is to minimize total harmonic distortion (THD), which is generally created by common electronic devices linked to the electrical system, by analysing and implementing vector space management in solar distributed generation inverters on an IEEE 34-bar system. Kavitha et al [12] focus of power system research should be on harmonic mitigation and improving power quality (PQ) in grid-connected solar photovoltaic (SPV) systems during fault ride through (FRT). This article provides a thorough review of FRT capability upgrading while taking into account the investigation of various power quality concerns related to grid-connected solar systems.

Research has compared MPPT approaches in grid-connected PV systems based on THD administered through the network [13], explored various inverter techniques including Multi-Level Inverters (MLIs) to reduce THD [11], and proposed novel islanding detection techniques for grid-forming inverters based on THD analysis [12]. Furthermore, research has been done on the dependence of THD on environmental factors such as irradiance in PV systems, emphasizing the necessity of harmonic management for grid stability and dependability [14]. These results highlight how important THD analysis is to improving Grid Connected PV Inverters' efficiency and performance.

**Table.1 Summary of Survey**

Authors	Field of research	Methodology	Limitations	Advantages
[1]R. Xie, eta al.	Studied the harmonic instability for small grid-connected inverters.	Evaluated Harmonic instability within grid-connected inverters was investigated using state-space modeling	THD is not reported	Examine the effects of delay duration, grid impedance, cable length, and controller parameters on instability.
[2]Narayana, Prasad	Instability may result from active damping with a full	A cascaded dual low-pass filter is intended to address	Instability may result from active	Have presetted various factors affecting stability of

	voltage feed forward loop.	the problem of instability. Instability results from adding the whole PCC voltage feed forward (FF) loop.	damping with a full voltage feed forward loop.	PCC based inverters.
[3] N. Babu et al.	Instability results from active damping with a complete voltage FF loop.	Employed a dual low-pass filter with cascading effects to combat instability.	System stability declines as grid impedance gradually rises.	Higher grid impedance causes harmonic resonance to gradually emerge.
[4] Y. Sang et al.	Examination of harmonic resonance in systems connected to a grid	Using simulation, confirm that stability decreases as grid impedance increases.	Power grid impedance fluctuation resulting in resonance as well as waveform distortion	Variations in grid impedance may cause instability in the system.
[5] R. S. Ravi et al.	Have preseted impact of the gird impedance for harmonica analysis of the systems stability.	Proposed investigating stability by adjusting load impedance and grid inductance	Considered Grid impedance as only factor affecting system stability.	System stable at grid inductance of 5 mH.
[6]ArranzGimón et al..	Reveled and compared the various THD factors justifying significances	Ascertain which are most appropriate for evaluating interharmonic and harmonic contamination in power system signals, including those at the inverter outputs.	NA	Stated that THD is essential for stability analysis and preseted significances.
[11]Francisco et al.	In PV inverters, vector space management lowers total harmonic distortion.	Modulation methods like THPWM and SVPWM are used to reduce THD.	Evaluated for large number of system's bus-bar number 25 is modulated using the control of various fundamental vectors	Reduces total harmonic distortion, improving the quality of the distribution network.
[12]	The focus of power system research should be on harmonic mitigation and improving power quality (PQ)	Enhanced power quality in grid-connected photovoltaic (SPV) systems during fault ride-through (FRT). This article gives a full examination of FRT capability upgrades while also investigating numerous power quality challenges associated with grid-connected solar systems.	System was specific to the limited PV system only	Low maintenance but higher power consumption, good stability in harmonic terms
[15]	MPPT approaches influence THD: FLC as well as SMC exhibit low THD,	Perturb and observation (P&O) of the Incremental conductance (IC) is performed. Have employed the fuzzy logic control (FLC) and sliding mode control (SMC)	Hardware analysis is achieved on system	Significant efficiency of response is achieved THD for IC MPPT is 3.48%, compared to 3.68% for P&O.

Over all it can be concluded from the survey that THD minimization is open challenge for telecom inverters as they are designed at lower levels of inverters.

#### 4.Proposed Multilevel Inverting Designs

First the existing micro grid based on the universal bridge based inverter is validated as shown in the Figure 3.



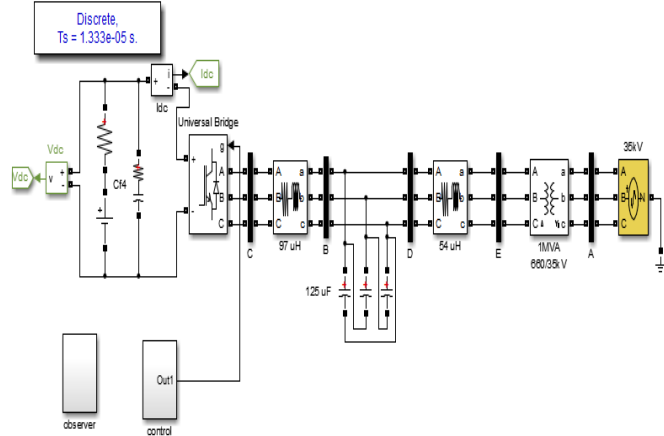


Figure 3 existing H Bridge inverter

The input voltage is set to magnitude of 982 V near to 1000 V line. As shown in the Figure 4. It can be clearly observed from the Figure that the initial filter may significantly minimize the distortion in line voltages.

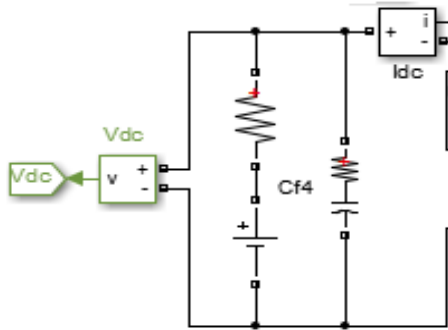


Figure 4 Initial Filter and voltage supply to the inverter.

The validated system has used the series connected RL load filter to the inverter before being connected to the grid using transformer coupling. The parameters are shown in the Table 2.

Table 2 model validation parameters for micro grid

Parameter	abbreviation	value
Filter resistance	R	0.12e-3 ohm
Filter inductance	L	54e-6
Input voltage	Vdc	982 v
Capacitive compiling	C	125e-6
Snubbed resistance	Rs	1e5

**Parametric Comparison**

ArranzGimónet al. [6] defined Total Harmonic Distortion (THD) as the mathematical formula describing the degree of

shape resemblance between the output and its basic FFT component:

$$THD = \frac{1}{V_{01}} (\sqrt{\sum_{n=2,3}^{\infty} (V_n)^2}) \quad (1)$$

Where, amplitude of harmonics is  $V_n$  and  $V_{01}$  is the line voltage.

In this paper inverter is used in conjunction to the micro grid connected using the transformer coupling. The universal inverter is designed using 3 phase by employing the IGBT switch for the grid operations. The performance is evaluated based on the FFT analysis of the system using the 50 cycle selected small window of single cycle as shown in Figure 5.

It is clear from the Figure 5 that the THD is still higher and is 74.33 % for this validated inverter. The fundamental frequency is also 762.1 Hz, evaluation is carried for the 50 Hz and for 1 cycle of the voltage waveform

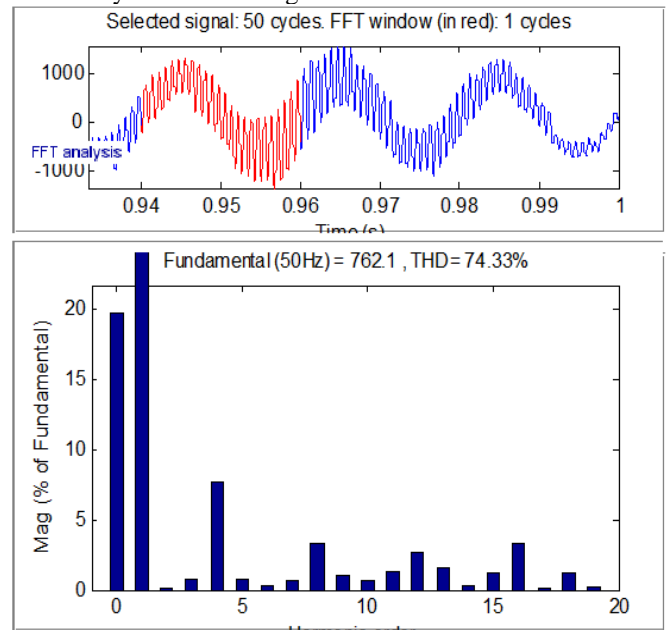


Figure 5 FFT performance of existing micro grid value for voltage THD

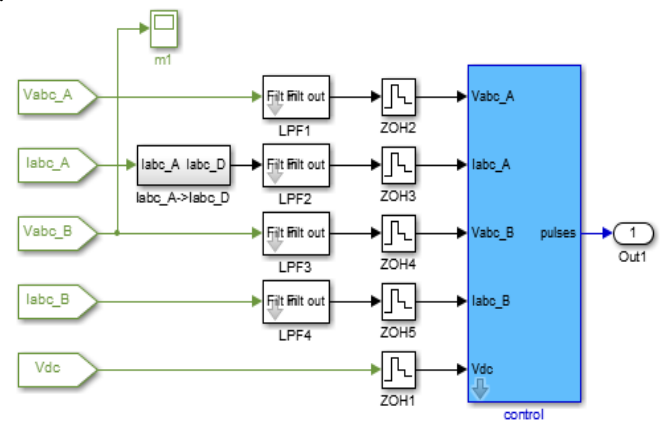


Figure 6 Control circuit arrangement for the micro Grid Control circuit arrangement for the micro Grid system

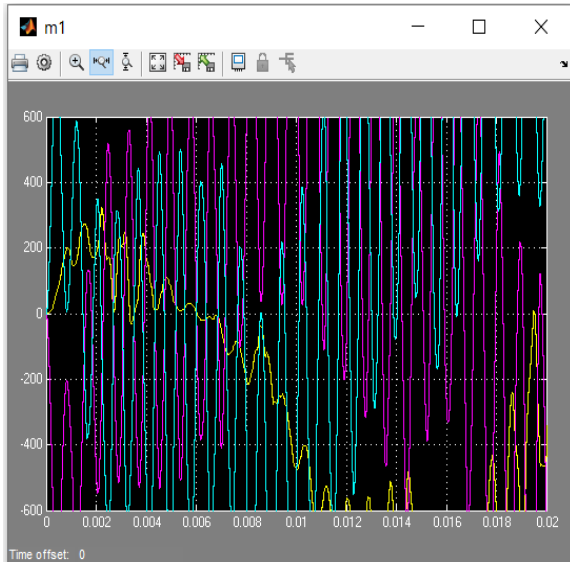


Figure 7 three phase voltages random control signals

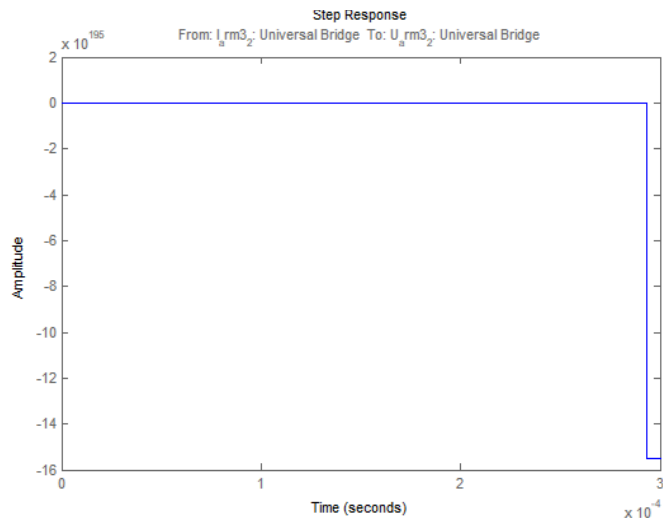


Figure 8 step response curve of the Grid

The flat step response signifies the stability of system as in Figure 8

Thus it is high requirement to minimize the THD performance. This Figure 6 has preseted the basic arrangement of contorted Circuits for the micro Grid arrangement for the inverter design of PV system The output wave is shown in Figure 5 a) for the voltage .

## VII CONCLUSIONS

This paper presets the brief survey of various harmonically stability analysis for the grid connected inverters. Paper also have aim to validate the based Simulink model for the micro grid connected universal inverter. The FFT analysis is used to assess performance.

The main obstacles to producing a near approximation of sinusoidal nature through stability analysis of the grid-connected inverter design are outlined.

Paper has finally then validates the Simulink model to feed grid-connected inverters. It is evaluated the THD performance for different voltage levels and design parameters. The FFT analysis is carried out for simulation for 1 sec time.

The investigation takes into account both the overall number of inverter levels and the accompanying THD. The validated THD is still higher and is 74.33 % for this validated inverter. It has been found that raising the switching control can reduce harmonic distortions and improve the voltage efficiency of PV equipment.

In future the systematic evaluation is to be carried out to minimize the performance of the THD of the system it is proposed to analyses the performance for different switching also.

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