



# A Series-LC-Filtered Active Damper for AC Power Electronics Based Power Systems

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# Outline

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- **Series-LC-Filtered Active Damper**
- **Performance Validation**
- **Conclusions**





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# Background

## Power Electronics Based Power Systems

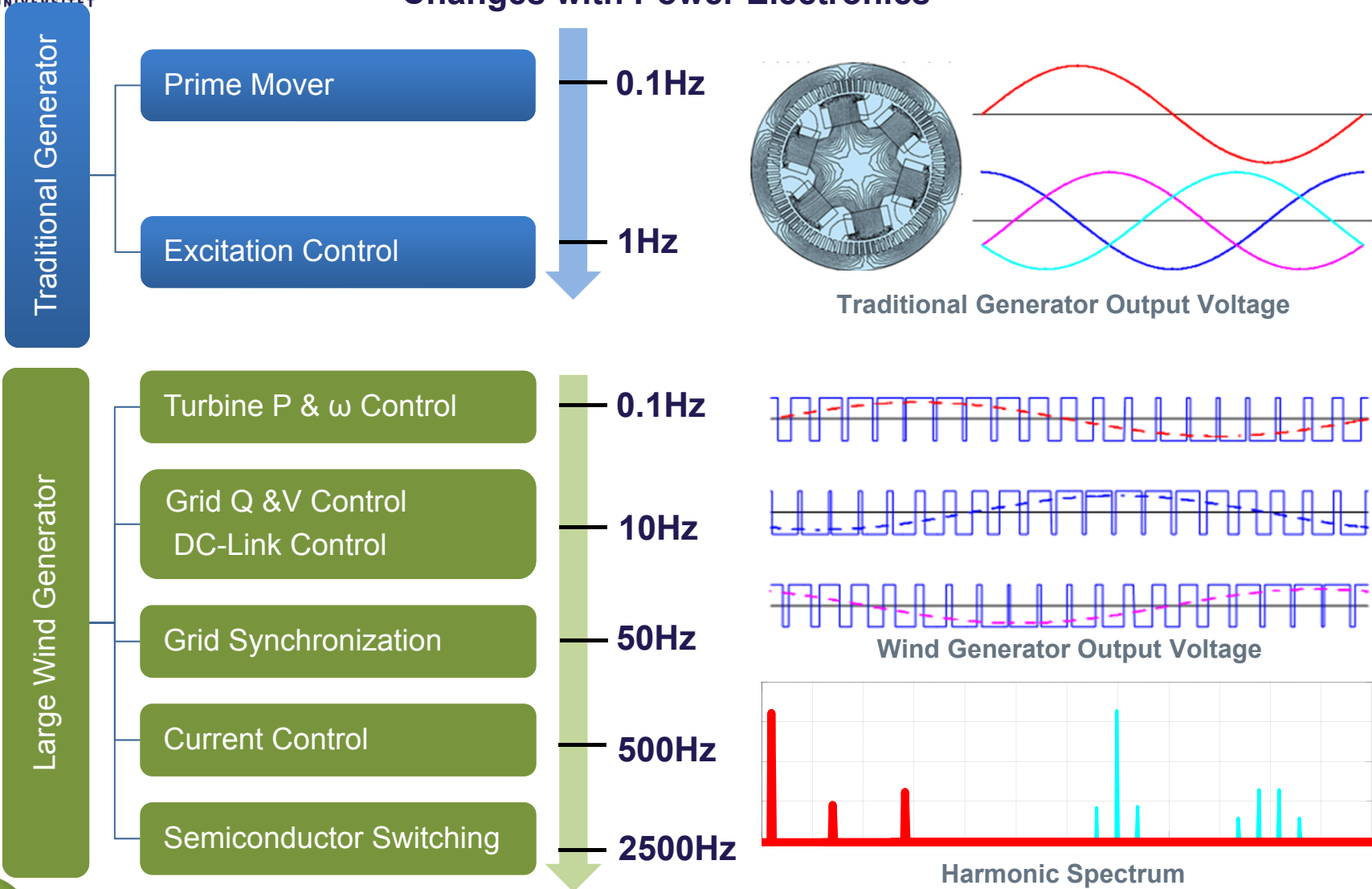


# Background



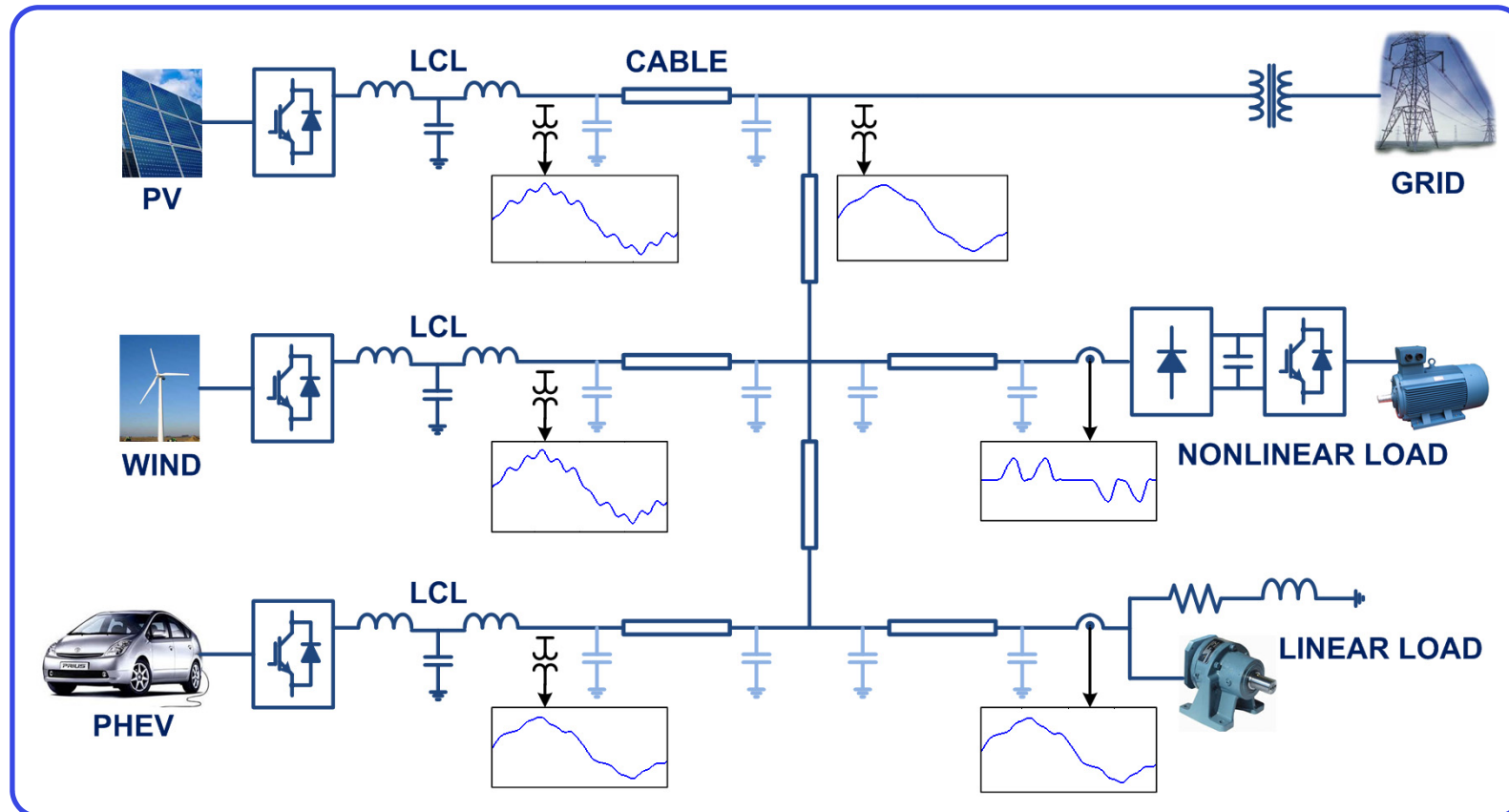
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## Changes with Power Electronics





# Challenge

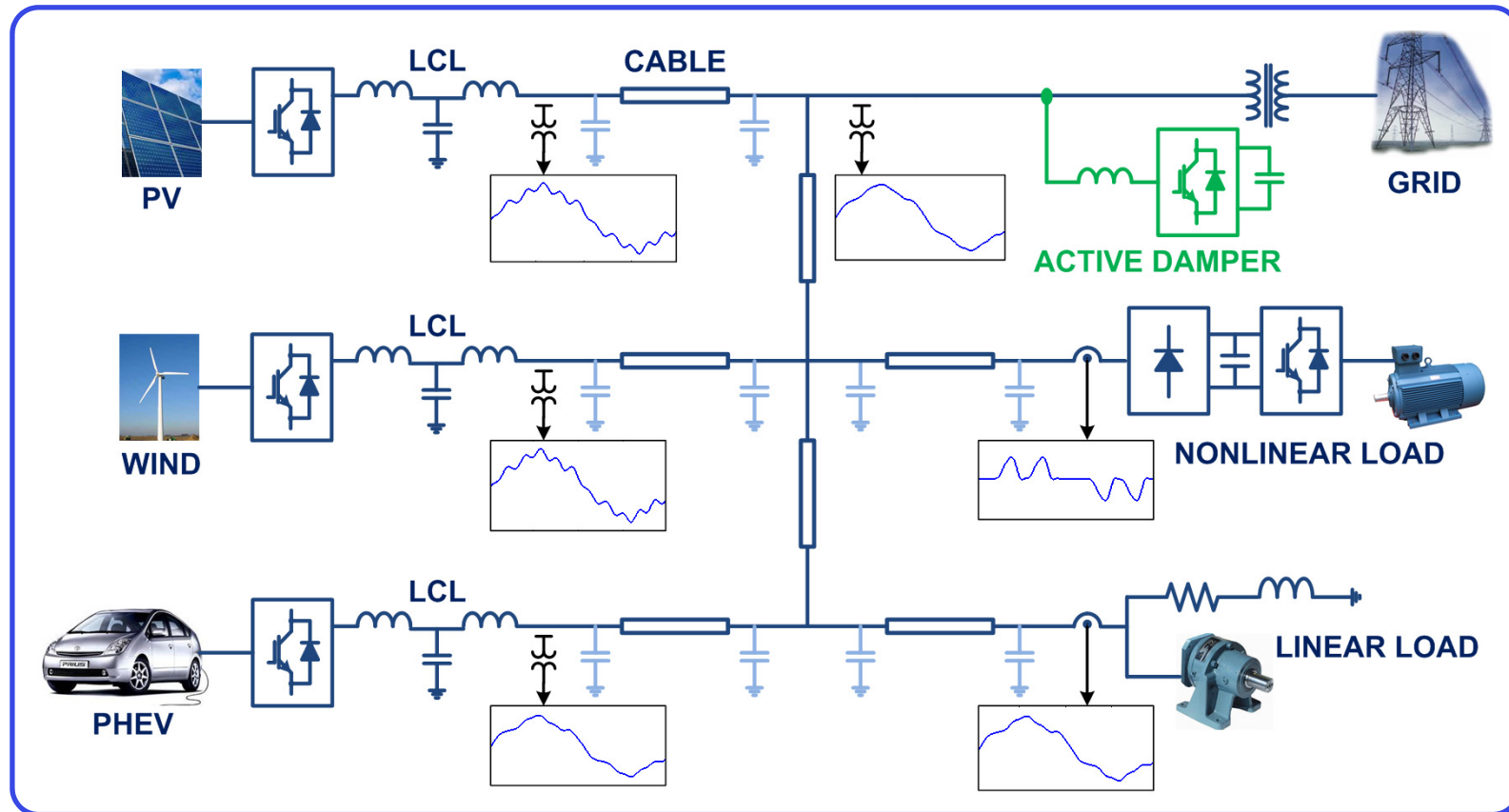


- Cost-effective diode rectifiers – low-order (50 Hz - 2 kHz) harmonics
- Increasing high-order (2 kHz - 150 kHz) switching harmonics
- Wideband controller interactions of converters – harmonic instability





# Challenge



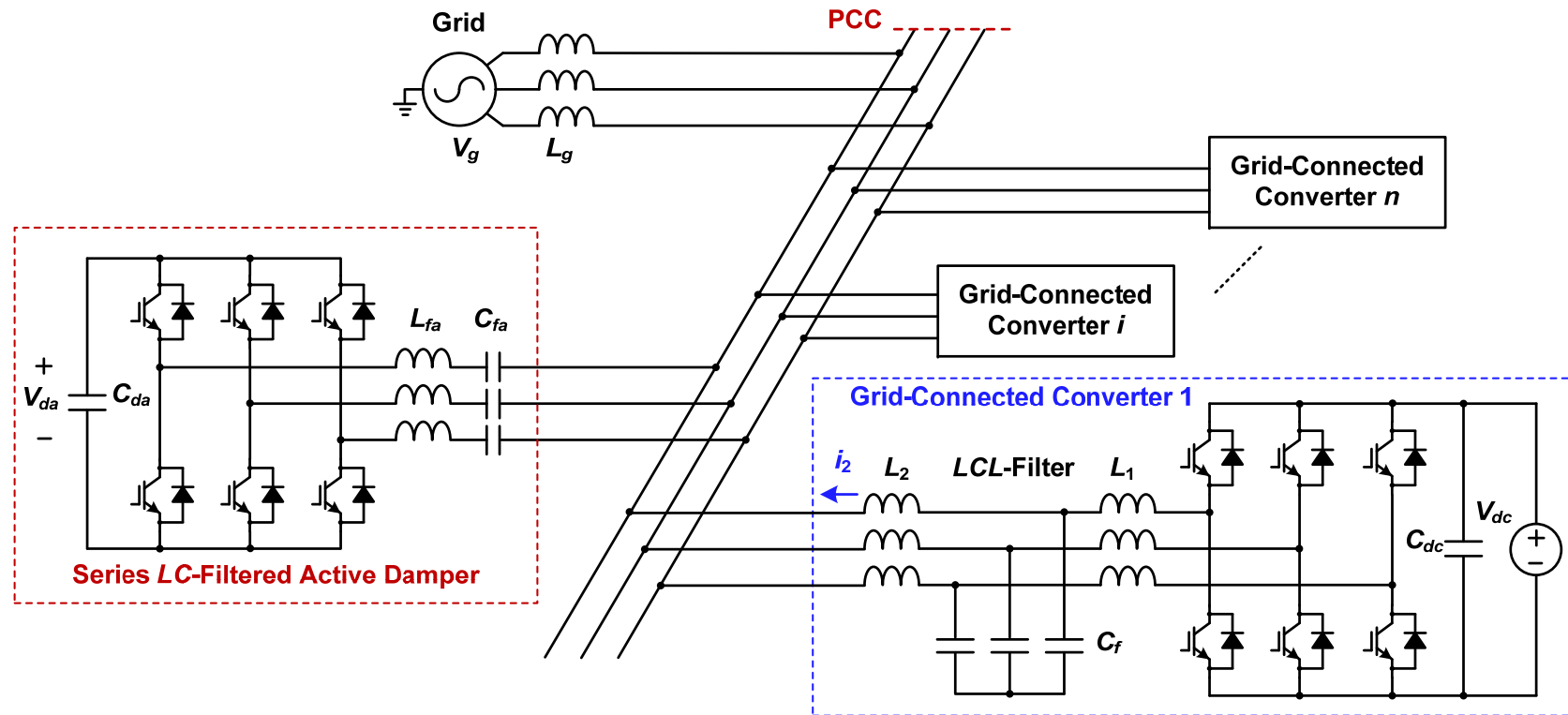
- **Stabilizing converter-converter and converter-grid interactions**
- **Variable damping of harmonic resonance**
- **High dc-link voltage for high-frequency output current**





# Series-LC-Filtered Active Damper

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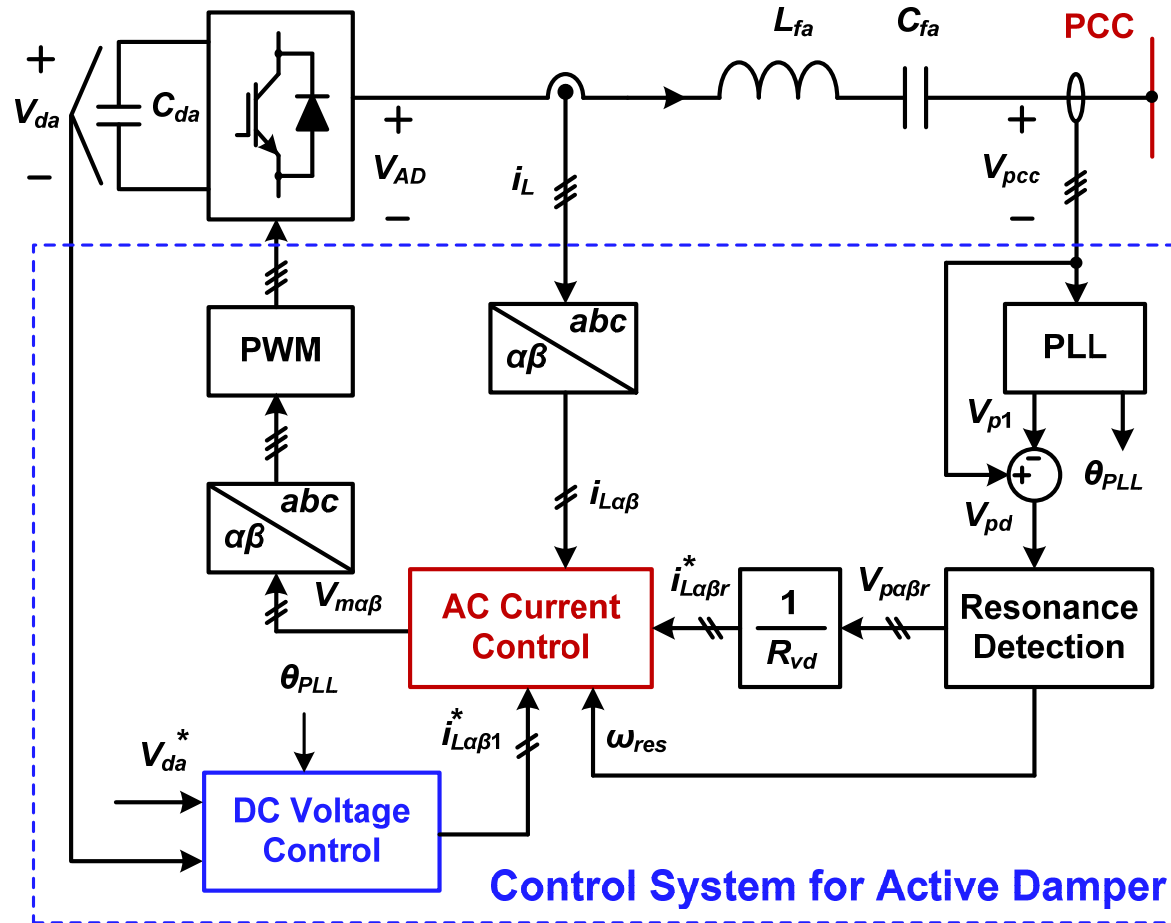
- Series ac capacitor for reduced dc-link voltage
- LC-filter resonance frequency < system resonance frequency
- Capacitive filter plant below the filter resonance frequency

T35.4 - Current control of grid converters connected with series ac capacitor





# Series-LC-Filtered Active Damper



- Resonance Detection
- DC Voltage Control
- AC Current Control



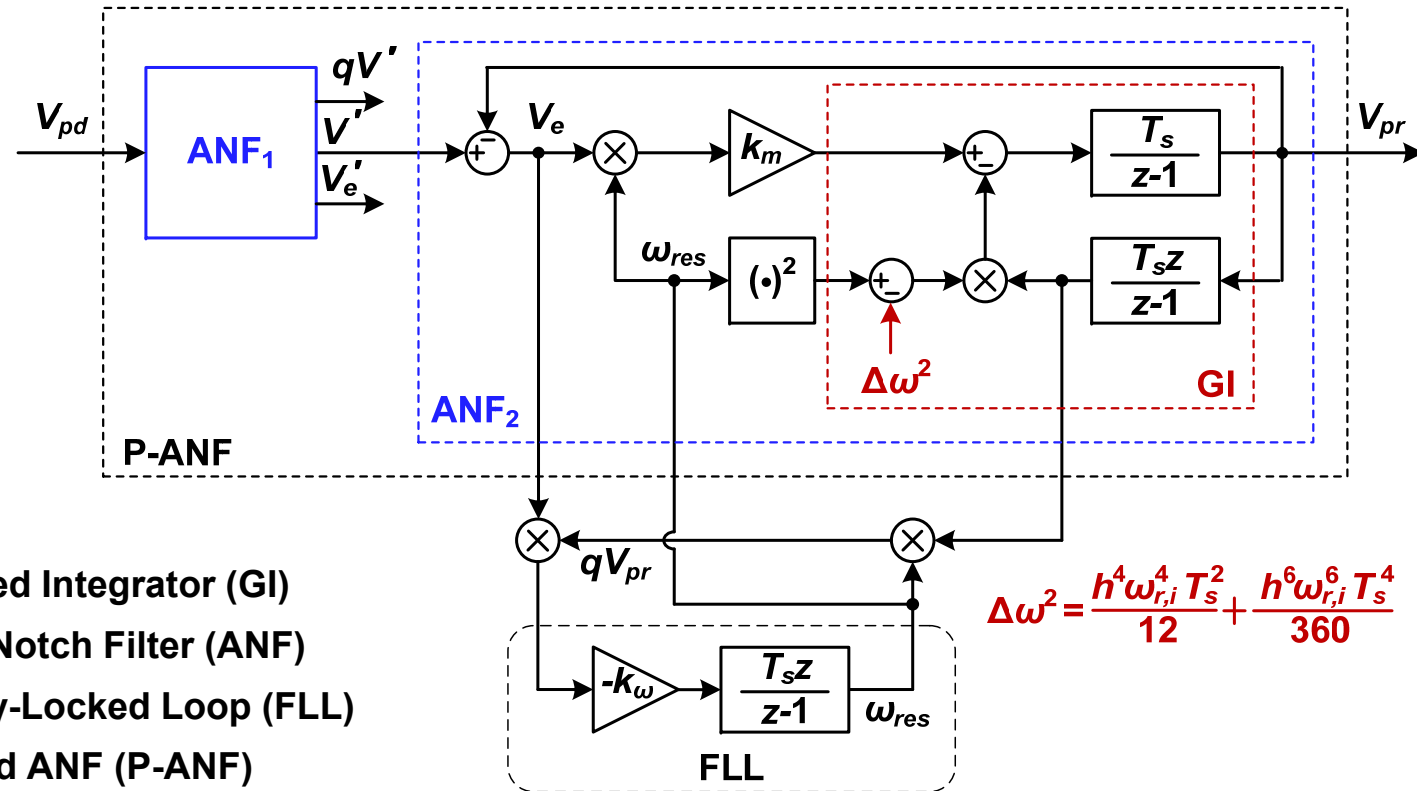




# Series-LC-Filtered Active Damper

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- Resonance Detection for Unknown Frequency



- Generalized Integrator (GI)
- Adaptive Notch Filter (ANF)
- Frequency-Locked Loop (FLL)
- Pre-filtered ANF (P-ANF)

X. Wang, F. Blaabjerg, and M. Liserre, "An active damper to suppress multiple resonances with unknown frequencies," IEEE APEC 2014, pp. 2184-2191.

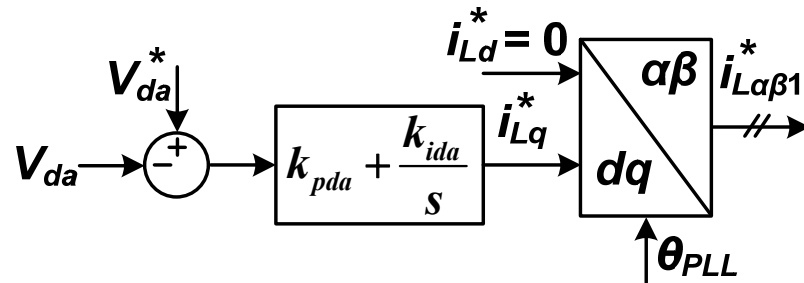




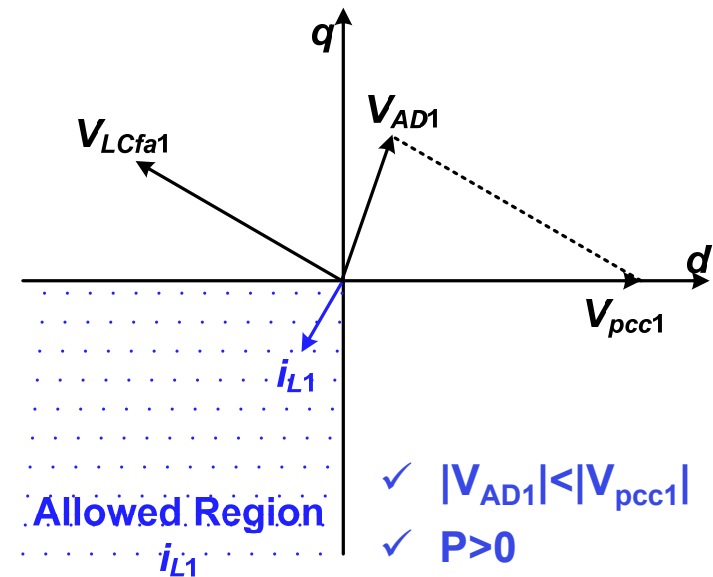
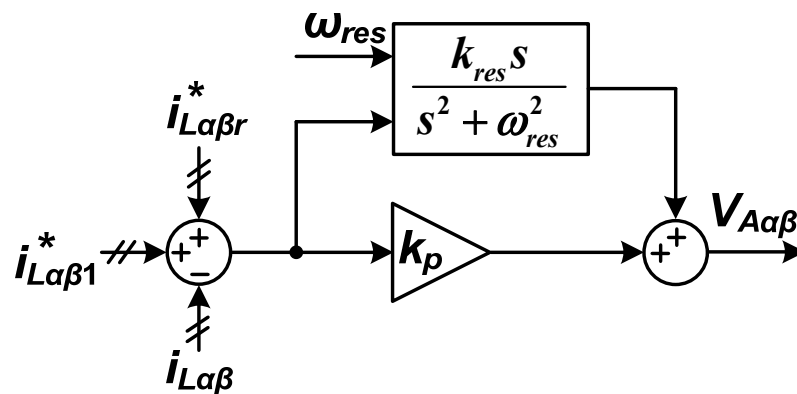
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- DC-link voltage control – **q-axis**



- AC current control – **proportional control**

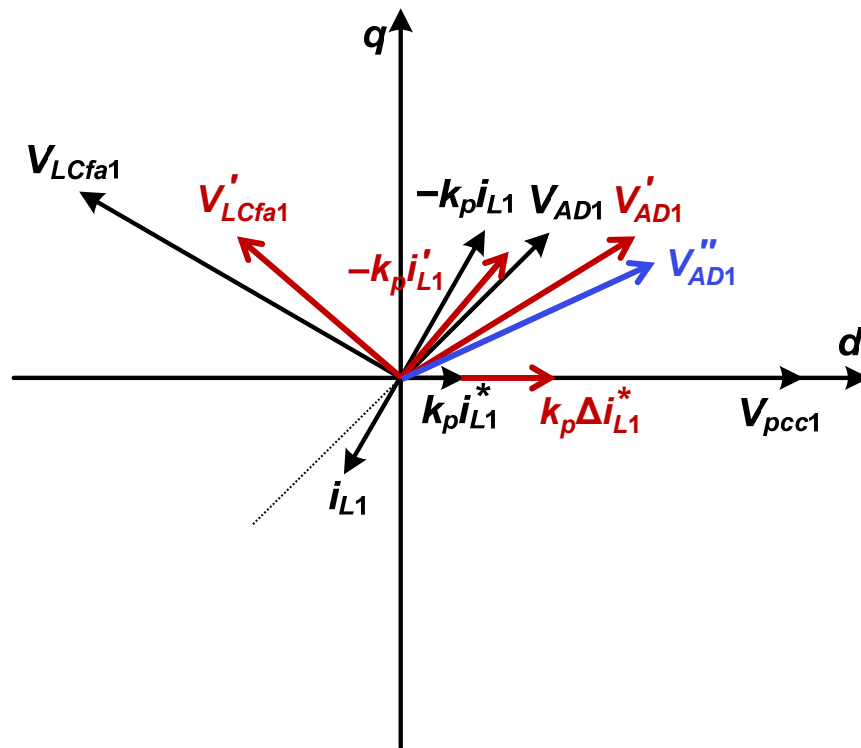




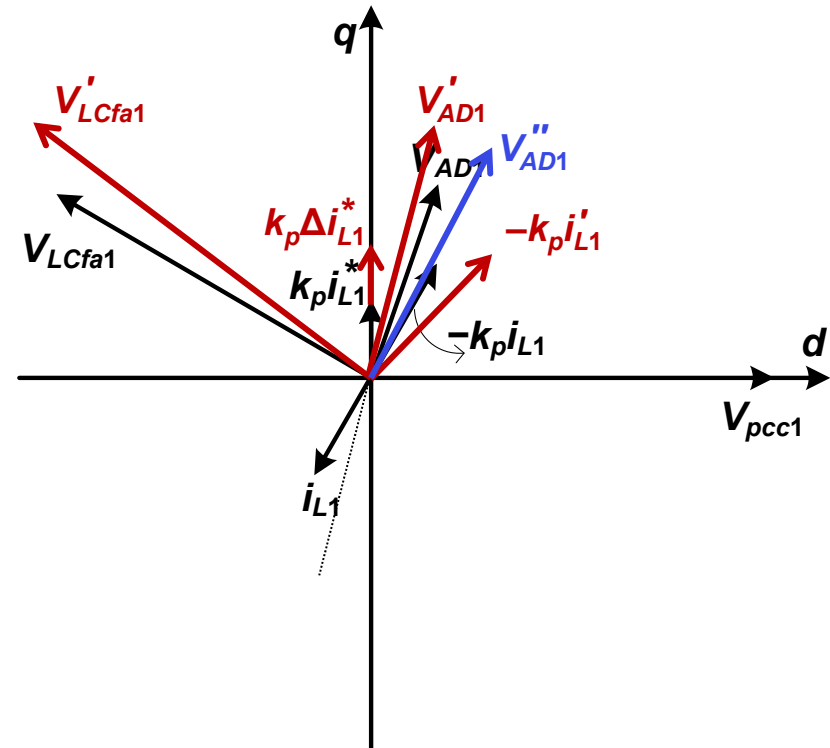
# Series-LC-Filtered Active Damper

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- Why aligning at **q-axis** ?



**d-axis (inductive Q)**



**q-axis (capacitive Q)**

**Inherent positive feedback when aligning the reference at d-axis**

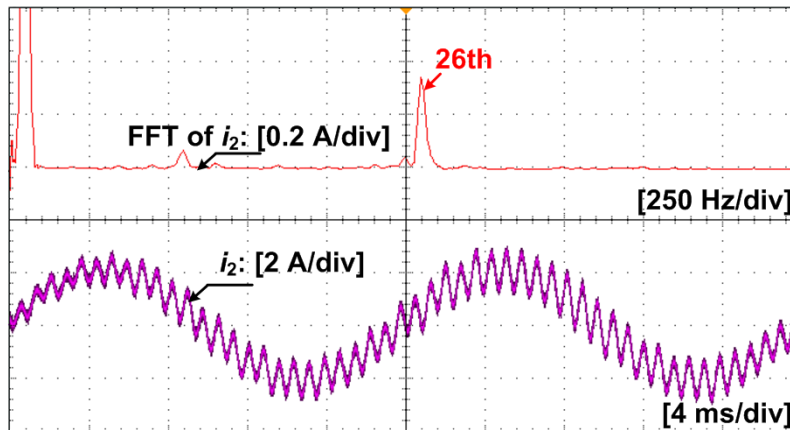
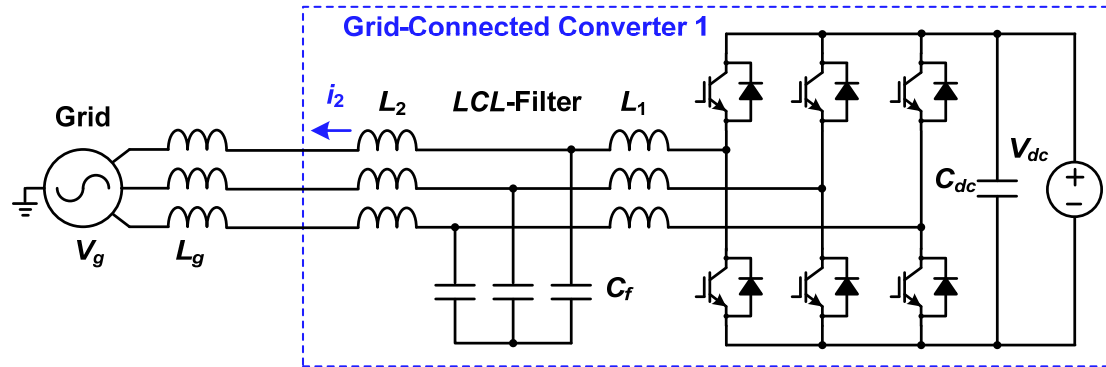




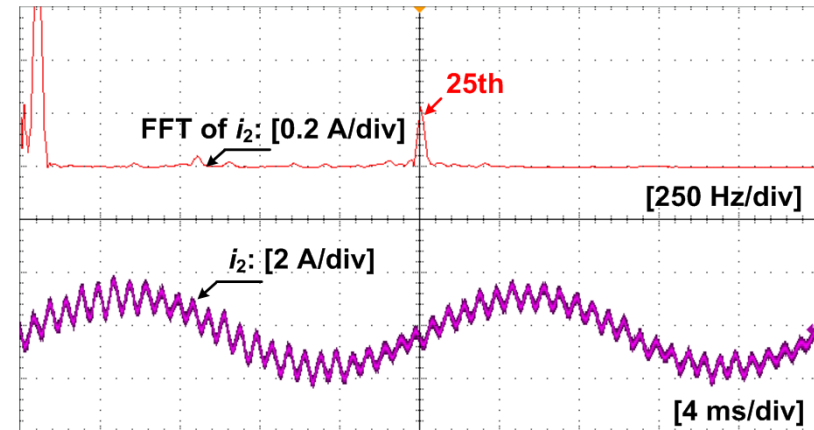
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- Unstable current control of grid converter



$L_g = 0.9 \text{ mH}$



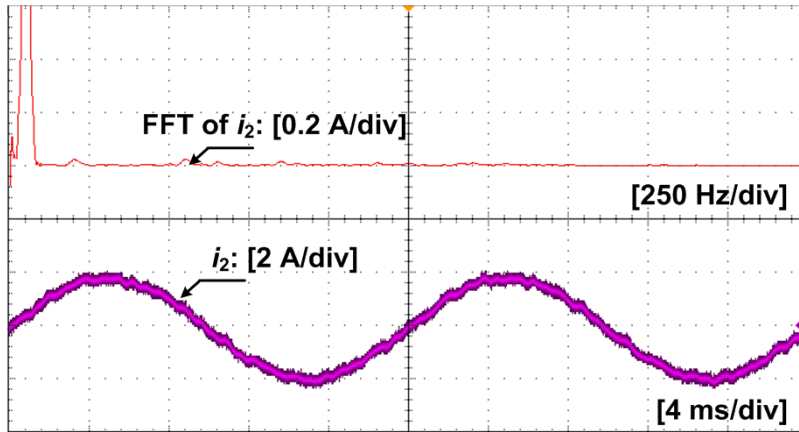
$L_g = 1.8 \text{ mH}$



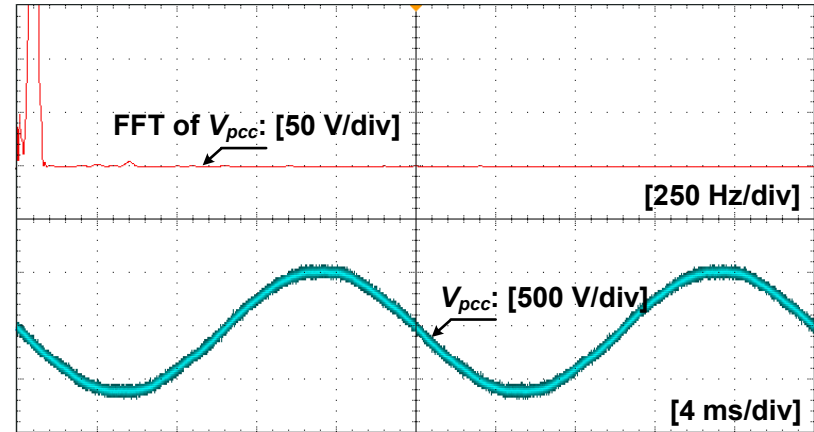


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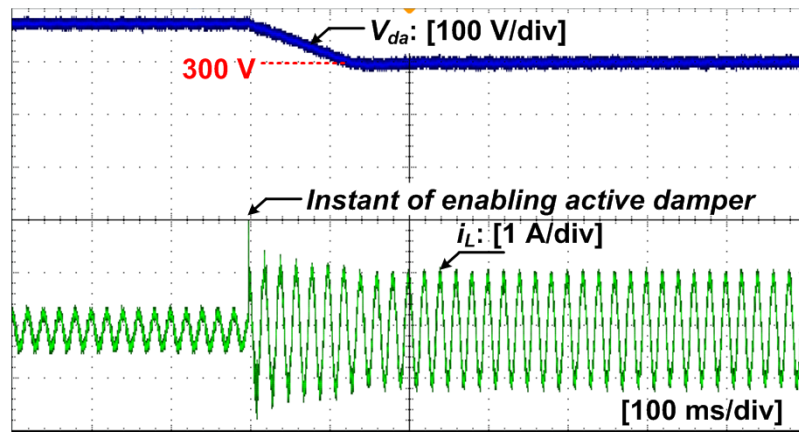
- Stable current control of grid converter with active damper



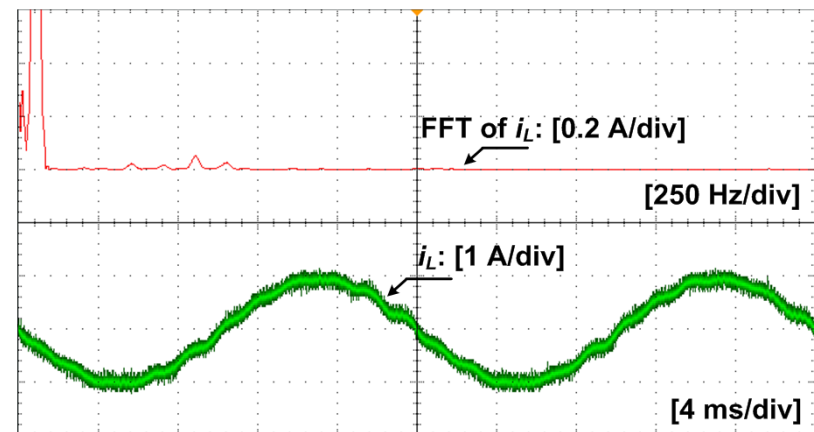
Current of grid converter



PCC voltage



DC-link voltage and ac current of damper



Damper current spectra





# Conclusions

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- **A series-LC-filtered active damper is proposed for stabilizing ac power electronics based power systems.**
- **An inherent positive feedback is elaborated when aligning the current reference at the *d*-axis.**
- **Experimental results validate the performance of the proposed active damper.**





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