

# MODIFIED SVPWM SWITCHING SCHEMES FOR HARMONIC SUPPRESSION IN FIVE PHASE VSI FED INDUCTION MOTOR DRIVE

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**Abstract:** Power electronic converters play a major role in electric drives and their controls. Multi-phase motors are popular for various electric drive applications. This enables us to use the multi-phase AC machines than 3- $\phi$  machines. The multiphase AC drives are fed from voltage source inverters (VSIs) and it requires a suitable PWM method of control. This paper presents the various space vector PWM (SVPWM) techniques for 5- $\phi$  VSI fed 5- $\phi$  Induction Motor (IM) drives. Modified SVPWM switching techniques are introduced based on medium, large and the combined effect of medium and large vectors, which provides the operation with reduced % THD in the output voltages. Various switching schemes for 5- $\phi$  VSI fed 5- $\phi$  IM drive is investigated in terms of harmonics present in the output voltage. MATLAB Simulation results are included in this paper to show and verify the theoretical concepts.

**Keywords:** SVPWM; 5- $\phi$  Voltage Source Inverter; 5- $\phi$  Induction Motor; THD

## 1. Introduction

In general, multi-phase systems have many advantages and they are used in applications such as automotive industry, aeronautic and electric power generation due to a variety of benefits provided by multi-phase drives over 3- $\phi$  drives. [1]. In case of even number phases, the poles are coinciding with each other and it will reduce the motor performance. So, odd number phases are preferred over even number phases [2]-[3]. Also, the output power of 5- $\phi$  system is greater than that of the 3- $\phi$  system. This has attracted the interest in the development of multi phase machines [4], [5].

The broad choice of switching techniques can be used for the VSI to produce the expected output [6]-[9]. The techniques start with sin triangle PWM, conventional SVPWM, and modified SVPWM. SVPWM technique is the more suitable for multiphase VSI and the no. of vectors increase with the no. of levels and no. of phases. [10], [11].

A 2 level VSI has 32 vectors represented into  $d_1$ - $q_1$  &  $d_3$ - $q_3$  subspaces. All subspaces are a source of lower order harmonics except the  $d_1$ - $q_1$  subspace. The switching techniques proposed in [12] can eliminate the harmonics present in  $d_3$ - $q_3$ . In addition, this method can generate a sinusoidal phase voltage waveform. There are few SVPWM techniques proposed for the harmonic reduction [13] and for minimizing the switching losses of a 3- $\phi$  VSI and multilevel inverters [14]-[16]. Certain modifications are required in the switching scheme to reduce the harmonics in the output voltage of 5- $\phi$  VSI.

The SVPWM with modified switching scheme is proposed in this paper for the 5- $\phi$  VSI fed IM drive. The MATLAB/ Simulink is used to construct the system. The performances of proposed techniques are compared for 5- $\phi$  VSI fed IM drive.

## 2. Modeling of Five-Phase Induction Motor

Mathematical model can be represented for an induction motor. The 5- $\phi$  system variables are transformed into 2- $\phi$  variables in d-q plane rotating with synchronous speed. Displacement between two phases is 72 degrees and the number of phases must be the same before and after the transformation. The relationships between 5- $\phi$  and 2- $\phi$  variables are as follows.

$$\begin{aligned} V_{dq}^s &= K_S V_{abcde}^s \\ i_{dq}^s &= K_S i_{abcde}^s \\ \Psi_{dq}^s &= K_S \Psi_{abcde}^s \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} V_{dq}^r &= K_r V_{abcde}^r \\ i_{dq}^r &= K_r i_{abcde}^r \\ \Psi_{dq}^r &= K_r \Psi_{abcde}^r \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

Where,

$$K = \sqrt{\frac{2}{5}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{5}\right) & \cos\left(\frac{4\pi}{5}\right) & \cos\left(\frac{4\pi}{5}\right) & \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{5}\right) \\ 0 & \sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{5}\right) & \sin\left(\frac{4\pi}{5}\right) & \sin\left(\frac{4\pi}{5}\right) & \sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{5}\right) \\ 1 & \cos\left(\frac{4\pi}{5}\right) & \cos\left(\frac{8\pi}{5}\right) & \cos\left(\frac{8\pi}{5}\right) & \cos\left(\frac{4\pi}{5}\right) \\ 0 & \sin\left(\frac{4\pi}{5}\right) & \sin\left(\frac{8\pi}{5}\right) & -\sin\left(\frac{8\pi}{5}\right) & -\sin\left(\frac{4\pi}{5}\right) \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix} \quad (3)$$

'K' is the 5- $\phi$  induction machine decoupling transformation matrix given in equation 2. The 5- $\phi$  machine is represented in d-q-x-y-o arbitrary plane. The d-q components are responsible for power generation, fluxes and torque production in the machine. System losses are accounted by x-y components and the reason for zero components being used is to show unchanged in the system. The 5- $\phi$  IM is modelled in the MATLAB simulink and the characteristics responses are obtained.

Essential machine model equations for stator sides and rotor sides in stationary reference frame are represented as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} V_{ds} &= R_s i_{ds} + p\Psi_{ds} \\ V_{qs} &= R_s i_{qs} + p\Psi_{qs} \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi_{xs} &= L_{ls} i_{xs} \\ \Psi_{ys} &= L_{ls} i_{ys} \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

$$\begin{aligned} V_{dr} &= R_r i_{dr} + p\Psi_{dr} \\ V_{qr} &= R_r i_{qr} + p\Psi_{qr} \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi_{xr} &= L_{lr} i_{xr} \\ \Psi_{yr} &= L_{lr} i_{yr} \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

Flux Linkage equations for stator and rotor sides are expressed as follows:

$$\Psi_{xs} = L_{ls} i_{xs} \quad \Psi_{xr} = L_{lr} i_{xr} \quad (8)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi_{ds} &= (L_{ls} + L_m) i_{ds} + L_m i_{dr} \\ \Psi_{qs} &= (L_{ls} + L_m) i_{qs} + L_m i_{qr} \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi_{dr} &= (L_{lr} + L_m) i_{dr} + L_m i_{ds} \\ \Psi_{qr} &= (L_{lr} + L_m) i_{qr} + L_m i_{qs} \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

$$\text{Where, } L_s = L_{ls} + L_m \quad L_r = L_{lr} + L_m \quad (11)$$

$$\Psi_{ys} = L_{ls} i_{ys} \quad \Psi_{yr} = L_{lr} i_{yr} \quad (12)$$

The equation for torque can be denoted as:

$$T_e = pL_m(i_{dr}i_{qs} - i_{ds}i_{dr}) \quad (13)$$

$$\omega_r = \int \frac{p}{2J} (T_e - T_L) \quad (14)$$

### 3. TWO-LEVEL FIVE-PHASE VSI

Multiphase IM drives are used for variable speed applications. The conventional multiphase VSI does not suitable for this application owing to the high

amount of harmonics presented in the voltage waveforms. To reduce the harmonics, a space vector concept is used with modified switching sequence and also to maximize the fundamental voltage.

Fig.1 shows the circuit diagram for 5- $\phi$  VSI fed 5- $\phi$  IM drive comprises ten power switches, two switches per leg. The pole voltage is equal to  $V_{dc}$  when the upper switch is ON and it is zero when it is OFF. To avoid the direct short circuit of same leg switches, they switched opposite to each other.

Phase to neutral voltages ( $V_a \sim V_e$ ) of 5- $\phi$  VSI can be expressed in terms of inverter pole voltages as given in equation (15) and (16) [12].

$$V_j = \frac{4}{5}V_j - \frac{1}{5}\sum_{i,i \neq j}^5 V_j, \text{ if } j < 5 \quad (15)$$

$$V_j = \frac{4}{5}V_j - \frac{1}{5}\sum_{i,i \neq j}^4 V_j, \text{ if } j = 5 \quad (16)$$

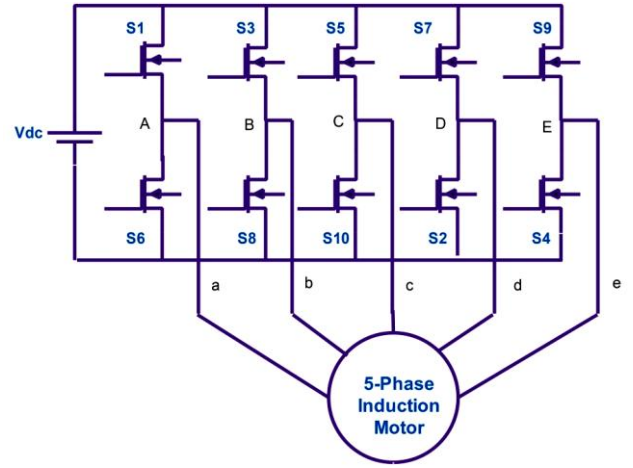


Fig. 1 5- $\phi$  VSI fed 5- $\phi$  IM drive

In general, a 5- $\phi$  2-level VSI has 32 combinations of switching states (ie,  $2^n$ , where n is the number of phases) and can be represented in two space vector planes ( $d_1-q_1$  and  $d_3-q_3$ ) includes thirty active and two zero vectors.

Binary numbers are used to represent the states on each space vectors. Bit '0' represents that the lower switch is ON while bit '1' represents that the upper switch is on. The three coordinated decagons formed by 30 active vectors originate at the 2 zero vectors. Inner, middle and outer decagons magnitudes are 0.2472, 0.4, and 0.6472.

Fig 2 and fig. 3 shows the space vector representation in d-q plane. The phase sequence in  $d_1q_1$  is ABCDE while in  $d_3q_3$  it is ACEBD. The middle decagon is the same in both subspaces while the inner and outer decagons are interchanged between  $d_1q_1$  and  $d_3q_3$ . Equation (17) and (18) represents the 5- $\phi$  inverter voltage in two-phase d-q

plane. The value of  $a$ ,  $a^2$ ,  $a^3$ , &  $a^4$  is given in equation (19) to (22).

$$V_{d1q1} = \frac{2}{5} V_{dc} [V_a + aV_b + a^2V_c + a^3V_d + a^4V_e] \quad (17)$$

$$V_{d3q3} = \frac{2}{5} V_{dc} [V_a + aV_c + a^2V_e + a^3V_b + a^4V_d] \quad (18)$$

$$a = \cos \frac{2\pi}{5} + j \sin \frac{2\pi}{5} \quad (19)$$

$$a^2 = \cos \frac{4\pi}{5} + j \sin \frac{4\pi}{5} \quad (20)$$

$$a^3 = \cos \frac{4\pi}{5} - j \sin \frac{4\pi}{5} \quad (21)$$

$$a^4 = \cos \frac{2\pi}{5} - j \sin \frac{2\pi}{5} \quad (22)$$

#### 4. SVPWM Switching Schemes for 5- $\phi$ VSI

##### A. Switching Scheme I: Using Medium Vectors in ( $d_1q_1$ plane)

The medium decagon of  $d_1q_1$  plane is considered in this elementary space vector (SV) modulation switching scheme for 5- $\phi$  VSI. The switching vector rotates in an anti-clockwise direction starting from  $V_{16}$  until  $V_{30}$  is reached as shown in Fig. 2. The equations (23), (24) & (25) used to calculate the conduction time in each switching state. Fig. 4 (a) & (b) shows the upper IGBT switching pattern in each phase and the respective switching vector has shown in Fig. 5 (a). In the first switching scheme (SS-1), the switching vectors start from 16, 29, 31, 31, 29 and 16 for one switching cycle  $T_s$  in sector I. while in the second switching scheme (SS-2), switching vector starts from 0, 16, 29, 31, 31, 29, 16 and 0. The magnitude used for one half of switching cycle is 0.5 times of  $t_0$  &  $t_{31}$  and 0.325 times of  $t_{am}$  and  $t_{bm}$ . as shown in fig. 4 (a) & (b). Fig. 5 (b) & (C) shows the modulating signals for both the switching schemes.

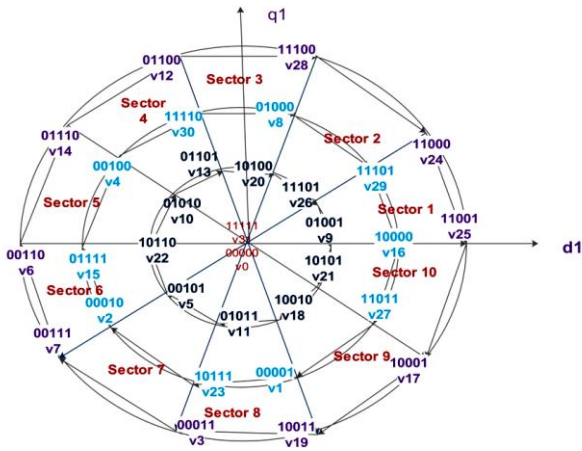


Fig. 2 Switching vectors in  $d_1-q_1$  Subspace

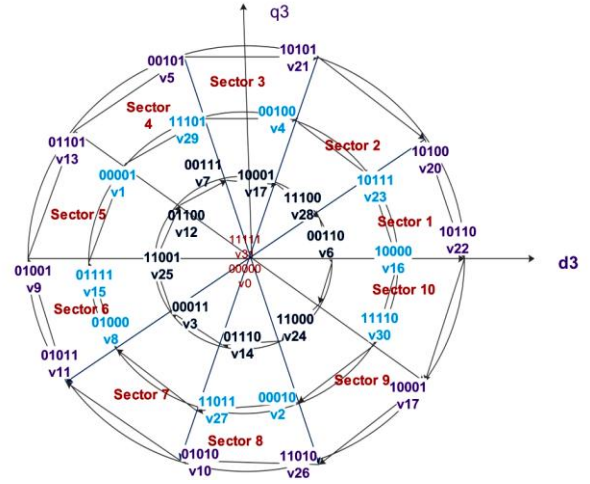


Fig. 3 Switching vectors in  $d_3-q_3$  Subspace

The following expressions are used to calculate the conduction time  $t_{am}$ ,  $t_{bm}$  and  $t_0$ .

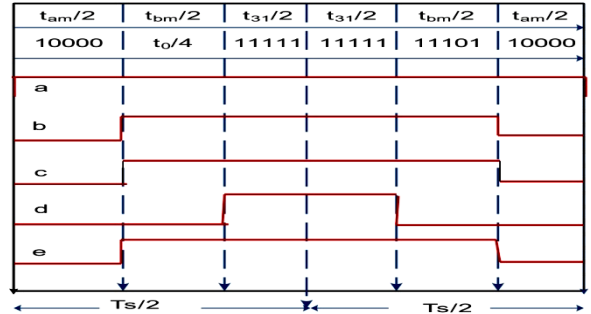
$$t_{am} = \frac{|V_{ref}| \sin \left( \left( K \frac{\pi}{5} \right) - \theta \right)}{V_m \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{5} \right)} t_s \quad (23)$$

$$t_{bm} = \frac{|V_{ref}| \sin \left( \theta - \left( (K-1) \frac{\pi}{5} \right) \right)}{V_m \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{5} \right)} t_s \quad (24)$$

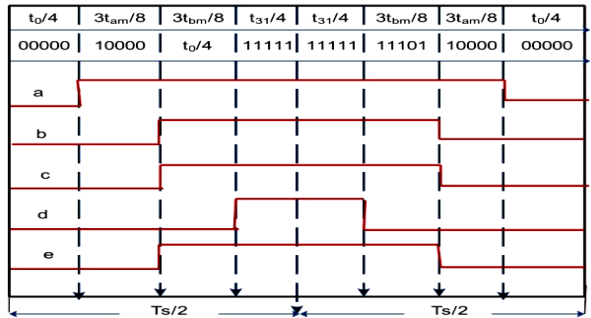
$$t_0 = \frac{t_s - t_{am} - t_{bm}}{2} \quad (25)$$

Maximum possible fundamental peak voltage of large space vector is

$$V_{max} = |V_m| \cos \frac{\pi}{10} V_{dc} = 0.3804 V_{dc} \quad (26)$$

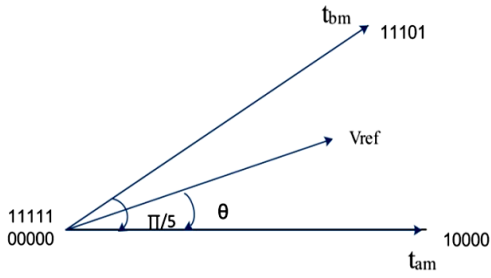


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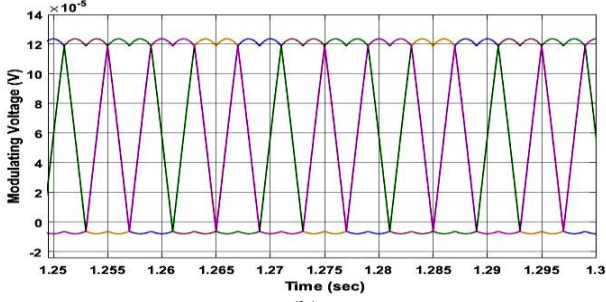


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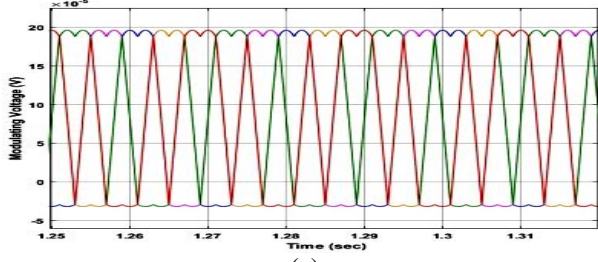
Fig. 4 switching pattern for Medium vectors in  $d_1-q_1$  Subspace in Sector-I (a) SS -1 (b) SS-2



(a)



(b)



(c)

Fig.5 (a) Time Switching for Medium vectors in  $d_1-q_1$  Subspace in Sector -I (b) & (c) Modulating signal for SS-1 & SS-2

### B. Switching Scheme II: Using Large Vectors ( $d_1q_1$ plane)

The Space Vectors in the large decagon of  $d_1q_1$  plane are considered. The switching vector rotates in an anti-clockwise direction starting from  $V_{25}$  until  $V_{17}$  as shown in Fig. 2. The equations (27), (28) & (29) used to calculate the conduction time in each switching state. Fig. 6 (a) & (b) shows the upper IGBT switching pattern in each phase and the respective switching vector has shown in Fig. 7 (a). In the first switching scheme (SS-1), the switching vectors start from 25, 24, 31, 31, 24 and 25 for one switching cycle  $T_s$  in sector I. while in the second switching scheme (SS-2), switching vector starts from 0, 25, 24, 31, 31, 24, 25 and 0. The magnitude used for one half of switching cycle is 0.5 times of  $t_0$  &  $t_{31}$  and 0.325 times of  $t_{a1}$  and  $t_{b1}$ , as shown in fig. 6 (a) & (b). Fig. 7 (b) & (c) shows the modulating signals for both the switching schemes.

The following expressions are used to calculate the conduction time  $t_{a1}$ ,  $t_{b1}$  and  $t_0$ .

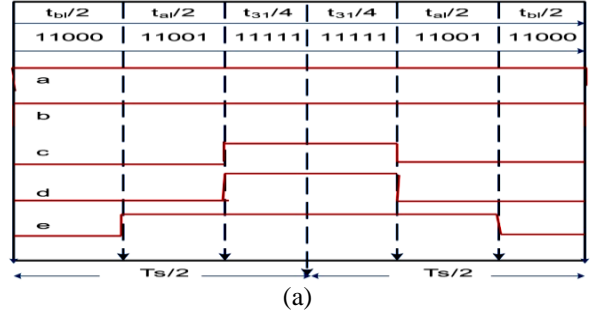
$$t_{a1} = \frac{|V_{ref}| \sin\left(\left(\frac{K\pi}{5}\right) - \theta\right)}{V_1 \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{5}\right)} t_s \quad (27)$$

$$t_{b1} = \frac{|V_{ref}| \sin\left(\theta - \left(\frac{(K-1)\pi}{5}\right)\right)}{V_1 \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{5}\right)} t_s \quad (28)$$

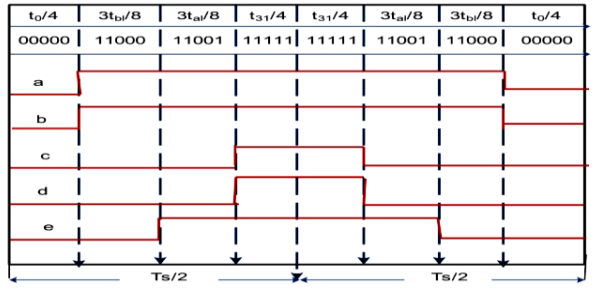
$$t_0 = \frac{t_s - t_{a1} - t_{b1}}{2} \quad (29)$$

Maximum possible fundamental peak voltage of large space vector is

$$V_{max} = |V_1| \cos \frac{\pi}{10} V_{dc} = 0.6155 V_{dc} \quad (30)$$

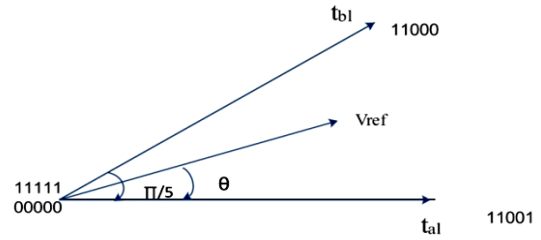


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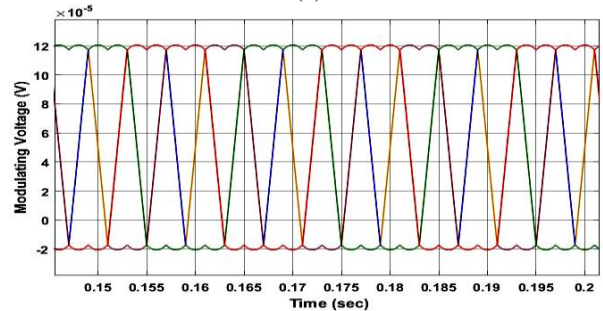


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Fig. 6 switching pattern for large vectors in  $d_1-q_1$  Subspace in Sector -I (a) SS-1 (b) SS-2



(a)



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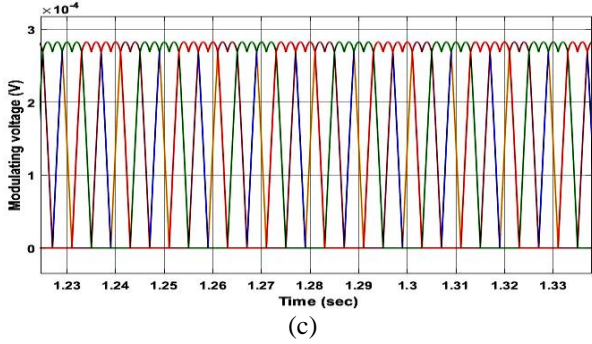


Fig.7 (a) Time Switching for Large vectors in  $d_1$ - $q_1$  subspace in Sector -I (b) & (c) Modulating signal for SS-1 & SS-2

C. Switching Scheme III: Using combination of medium and Large Vectors ( $d_1q_1$  plane)

Instead of using only two active and two zero vectors, four active and two zero vectors can be used for the five phase VSI. Fig. 8 (a) & (b) shows the upper IGBT switching pattern in each phase and the respective switching vector has shown in Fig. 9 (a). In the first switching scheme (SS-1), the switching vectors start from 16, 24, 25,29,31,31,29,25,24 and 16 for one switching cycle  $T_s$  in sector I. while in the second switching scheme (SS-2), switching vector starts from 0, 16, 24, 25,29,31,31,29,25,24 16 and 0. The magnitude used for one half of switching cycle is 0.5 times of  $t_o$  &  $t_{s1}$  and 0.325 times of  $t_{am}$ ,  $t_{bm}$ ,  $t_{al}$  and  $t_{bl}$  as shown in fig. 8 (a) & (b). Fig. 9 (b) & (c) shows the modulating signals for both the switching schemes.

The following expressions are used to calculate the conduction time  $t_{am}$ ,  $t_{bm}$ ,  $t_{al}$ ,  $t_{bl}$  and  $t_o$ .

$$t_a = t_{al} + t_{am} \quad (31)$$

$$t_b = t_{bl} + t_{bm} \quad (32)$$

$$|V_m| \cos \frac{\pi}{10} V_{dc} \leq V_{max} \leq |V_1| \cos \frac{\pi}{10} V_{dc} \quad (33)$$

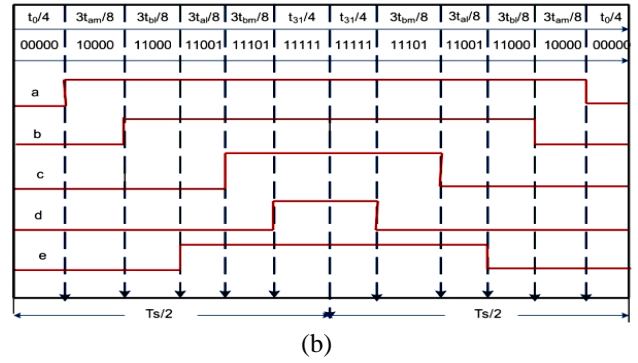
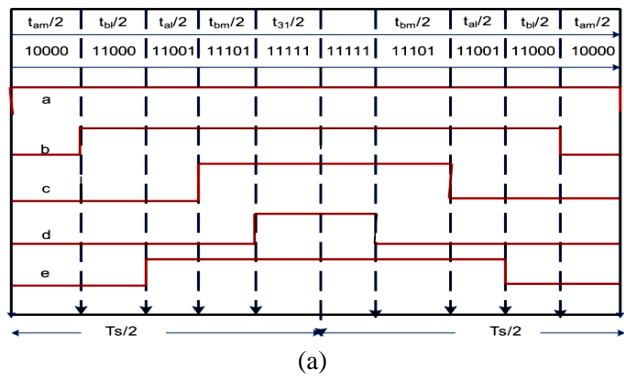


Fig. 8 switching pattern for combination of medium and Large Vectors in  $d_1$ - $q_1$  Subspace in Sector -I (a) SS-1 (b) SS-2

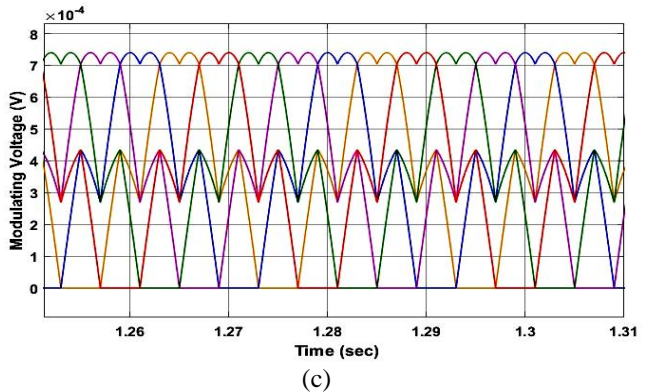
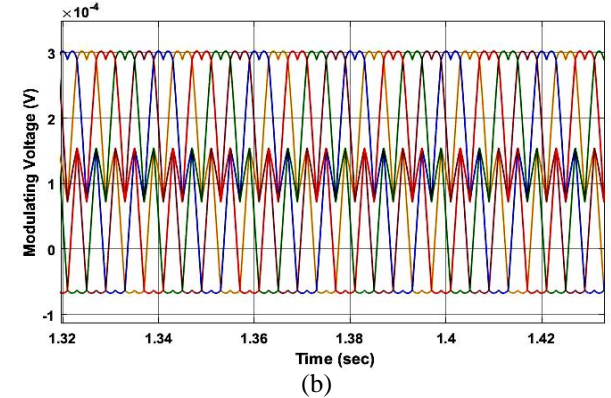
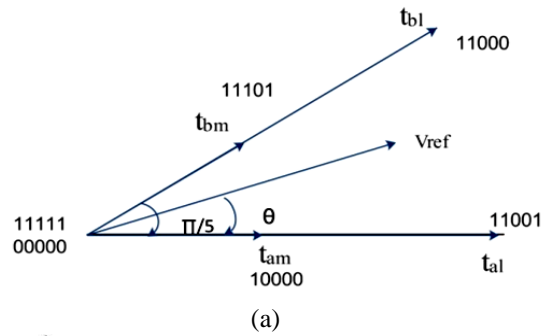


Fig.9 (a) Time Switching for combination of medium and Large Vectors in  $d_1$ - $q_1$  Subspace in Sector -I (b) & (c) Modulating signal for SS-1 & SS-2

D. Switching Scheme IV: Using Large Vectors ( $d_3q_3$  plane)

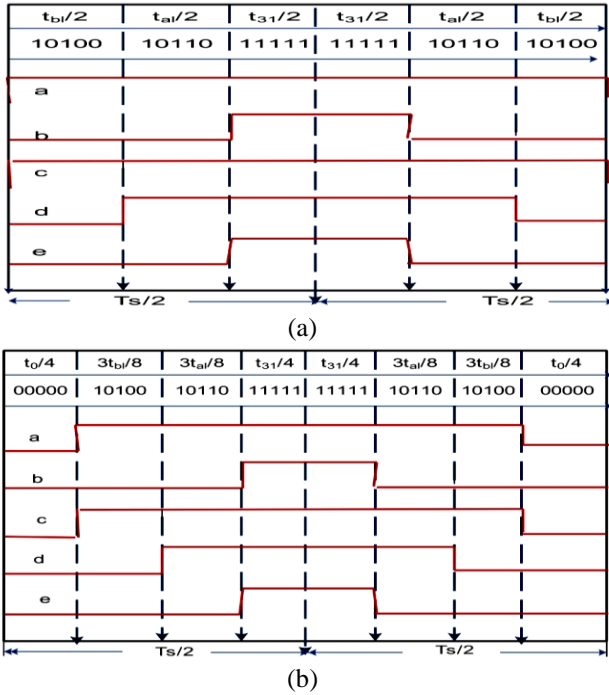
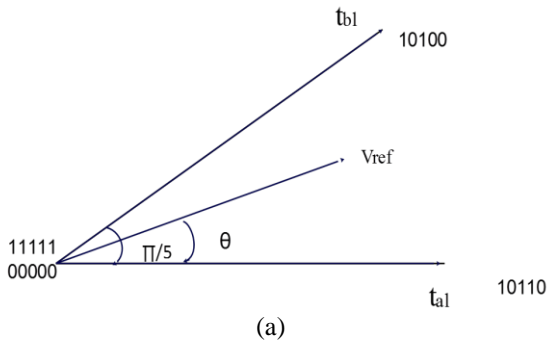


Fig. 10 switching pattern for large vectors in  $d_3-q_3$  Subspace in Sector -I (a) SS-1 (b) SS-2

The SVs in large decagon of  $d_3q_3$  plane are considered. The switching vector rotates to the in an anti-clockwise direction starting from  $V_{22}$  until  $V_{17}$  as shown in Fig. 3. The equation (27), (28) & (29) are used to calculate the conduction time in each switching state. Fig. 10 (a) & (b) shows the upper IGBT switching pattern in each phase and the respective switching vector has shown Fig. 11 (a). In the first switching scheme (SS-1), the switching vectors start from 20, 22, 31, 31, 22 and 20 for one switching cycle  $T_s$  in sector I. while in the second switching scheme (SS-2), switching vector starts from 0, 20, 22, 31, 31, 22, 20 and 0. The magnitude used for one half of switching cycle is 0.5 times of  $t_o$  &  $t_{31}$  and 0.325 times of  $t_{al}$  and  $t_{bl}$ . as shown in fig.10 (a) & (b). Fig. 11 (b) & (c) shows the modulating signals for both the switching schemes.



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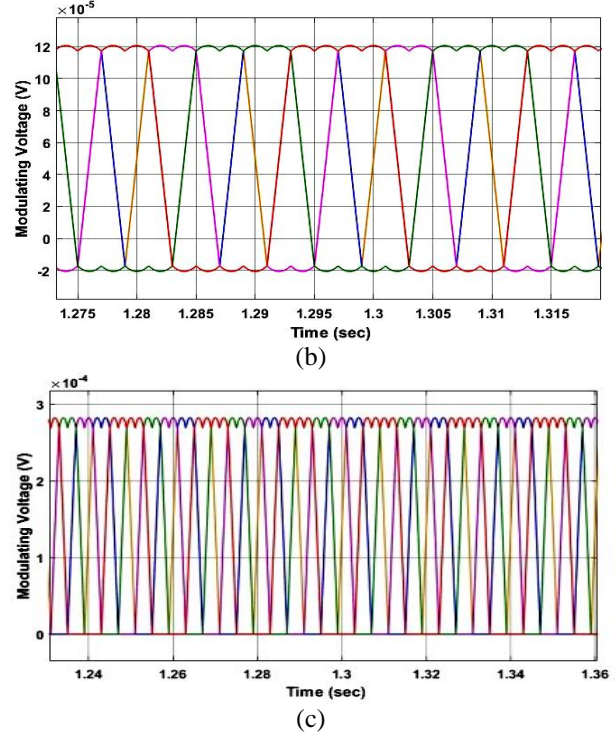


Fig.11 (a) Time Switching for Large vectors in  $d_3-q_3$  Subspace in Sector -I (b) & (c) Modulating signal for SS-1 & SS-2

E. Switching Scheme V: Using combination of medium and Large Vectors ( $d_3q_3$  plane)

The fundamental subspaces ABCDE are mapped into the order of vectors while ACEBD is the order in auxiliary subspace. In a certain sector of the fundamental subspace of fig.2, the outer decagon vector aligns with middle decagon and falls diagonally opposite to each other in an auxiliary subspace of fig. 3. If the state duration of medium vector and a large vector is same, harmonics will be eliminated due to the zero resulting vectors in auxiliary subspace.

Fig. 12 (a) & (b) shows the upper IGBT switching pattern in each phase and the respective switching vector has shown in Fig. 13 (a). In the first switching scheme (SS-1), the switching vectors start from 16, 20, 22,23,31,31,23,22,20 and 16 for one switching cycle  $T_s$  in sector I. while in the second switching scheme (SS-2), switching vector starts from 0, 16, 20, 22,23,31,31,23,22,20,16 and 0. The magnitude used for one half of switching cycle is 0.5 times of  $t_o$  &  $t_{31}$  and 0.325 times of  $t_{am}$ ,  $t_{bm}$ ,  $t_{al}$  and  $t_{bl}$  as shown in fig. 12 (a) & (b). Fig. 13 (b) & (c) shows the modulating signals for both the switching schemes.

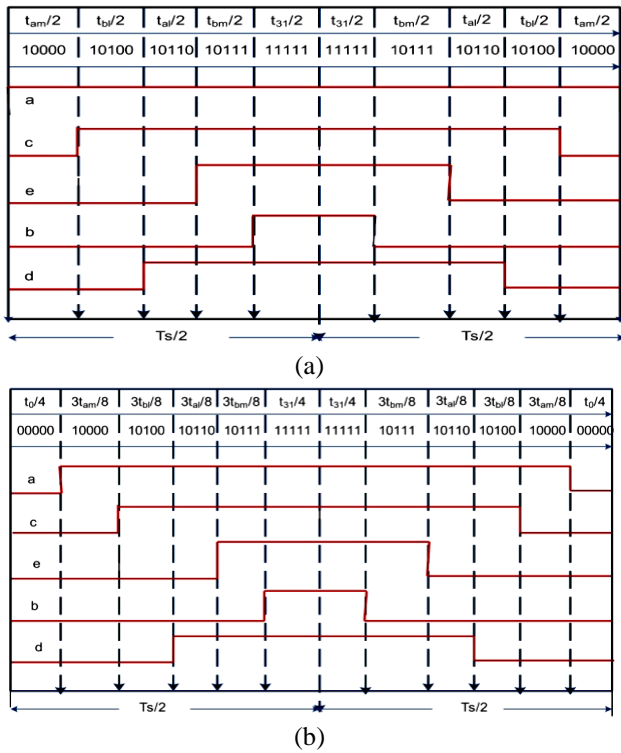


Fig. 12 switching pattern for combination of medium and Large Vectors in  $d_3$ - $q_3$  Subspace in Sector -I (a) SS-1 (b) SS-2

### 5. SIMULATION RESULTS

A MATLAB Simulink software simulation used to determine the effect of SV based switching techniques and to compare the results of various switching techniques such as medium vector, large vector and the grouping of a medium and large vector in  $d_1$ - $q_1$  and  $d_3$ - $q_3$  subspace. Table 1 lists the simulation parameters of the system and the performance characteristics are as shown in fig. 14. The load torque variations are as shown in fig. 14 (c) at 0.5 sec, 1 sec and 1.5 sec of 2 Nm, 3 Nm, and 4 Nm and the respective rotor current variations are as stated in fig.14 (d).

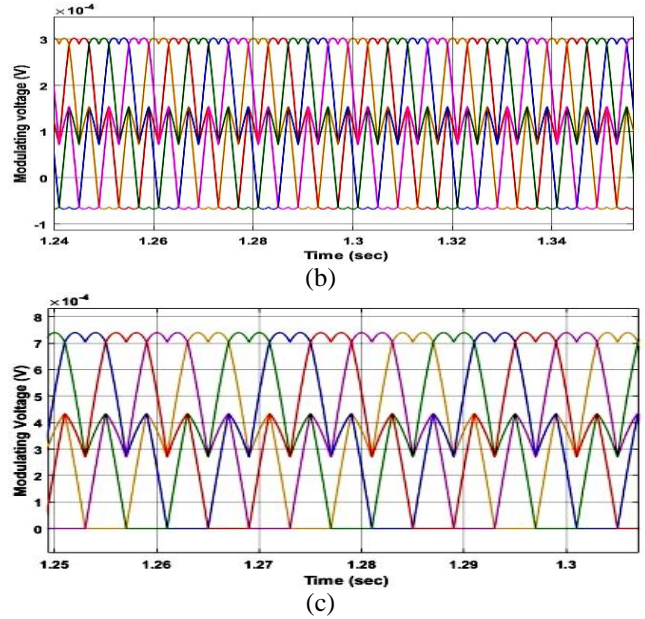
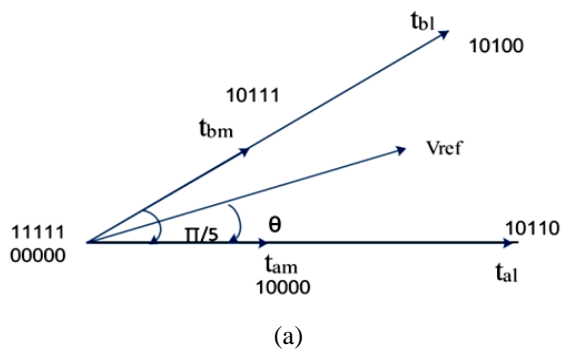
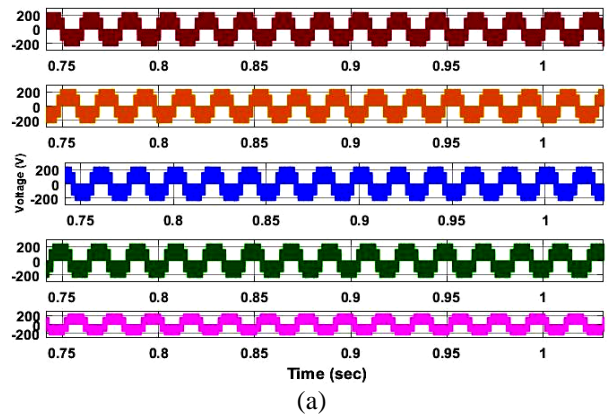


Fig. 13 (a) Time Switching for combination of medium and Large Vectors in  $d_3$ - $q_3$  Subspace in Sector -I (b) & (c) Modulating signal for SS-1 & SS-2

Table 1  
Parameters of 5- $\phi$  VSI fed IM Drive

Parameters	Values
DC Bus voltage	400 V
Switching frequency	5 KHz
Modulation index	1
Power (P)	1 hp
Motor RMS Input Voltage (V)	220
No. of Phases	5
Number of Poles (p)	4
Resistance (stator)	10.1 $\Omega$
Inductance (stator)	0.833 Henry
Resistance (rotor)	9.854 $\Omega$
Inductance (rotor)	0.782 Henry
Mutual Inductance	0.782 Henry
Inertia	0.0088



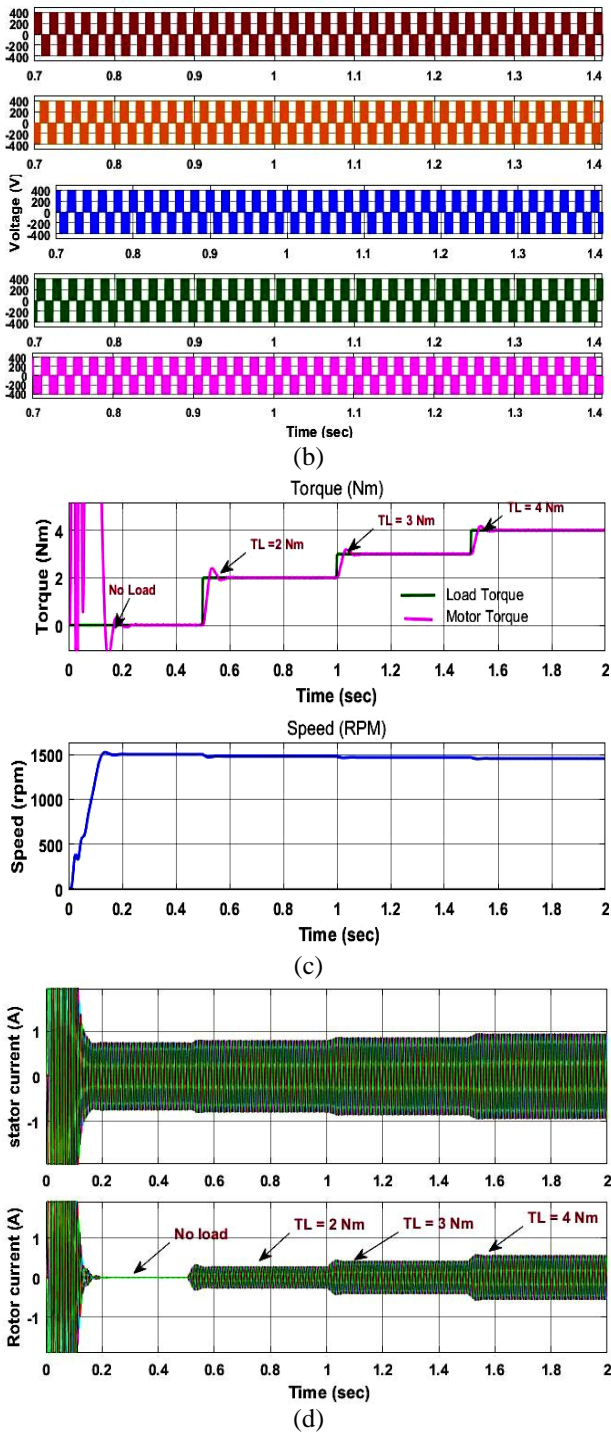
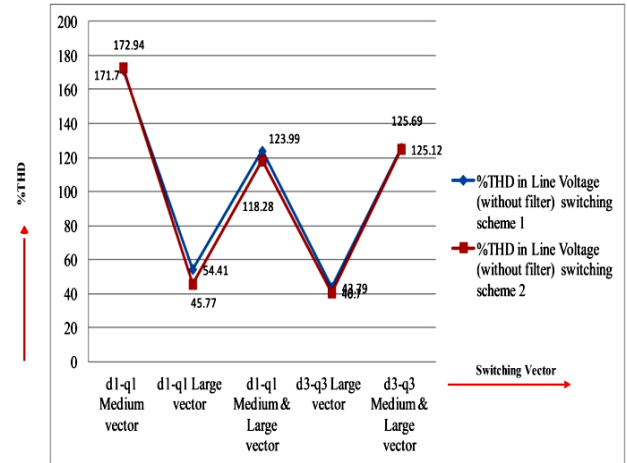


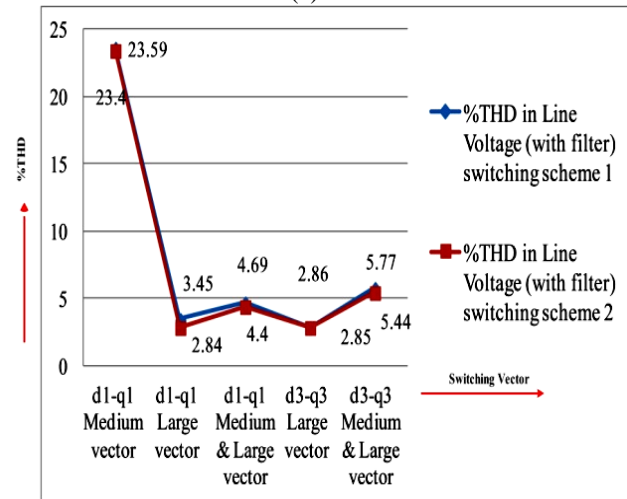
Fig. 14 Performance characteristics of 5-φ SVPWM VSI fed IM Drive (a) Phase Voltage (b) Line Voltage (c) Speed & torque response (d) stator & rotor current

The % THD in a phase and line voltage of 5-φ SVPWM VSI fed IM drive for different switching schemes shown in fig. 15 (a) to (d). From these figures,  $d_3-q_3$  large vector switching scheme (SS-2) produces the lowest THD in line and phase voltages when compared to other switching vectors. Lower

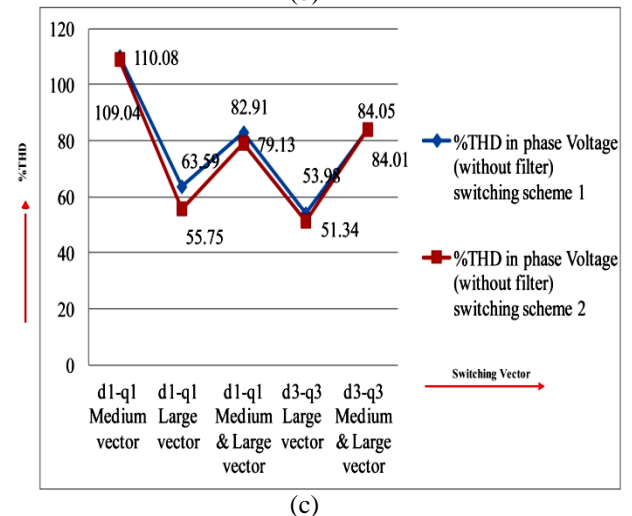
order harmonic such as 3<sup>rd</sup> order and 7<sup>th</sup> order harmonics variations for different switching schemes are as reported in fig. 16 (a) to (d). From these figures, lower order harmonics minimization in large vector switching is a maximum when compared to the other three types of switching vectors.



(a)



(b)



(c)



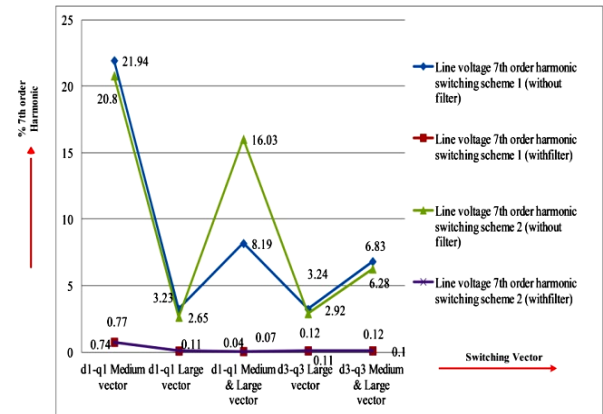
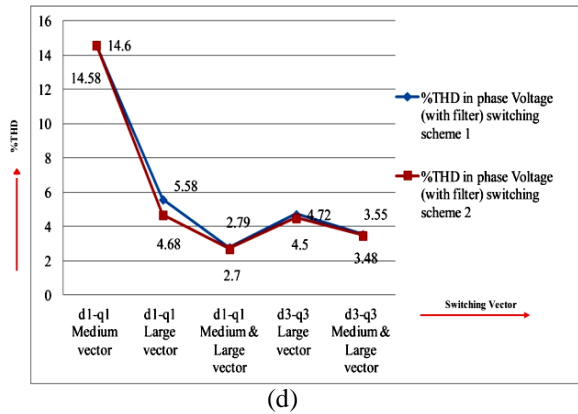


Fig. 15 (a) % THD in Line voltage without filter (b) % THD in Line voltage with filter (c) % THD in phase voltage without filter (d) % THD in phase voltage with filter for different SVPWM switching scheme

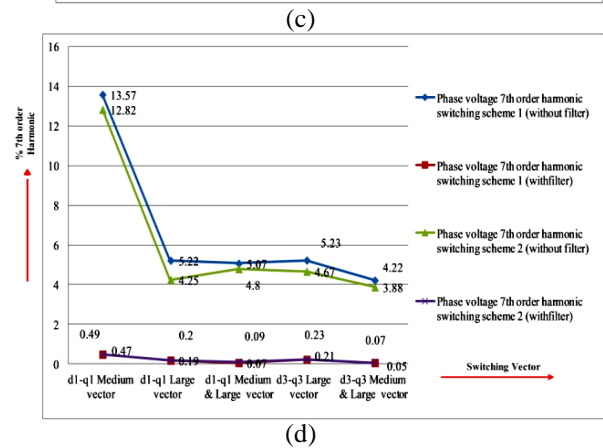
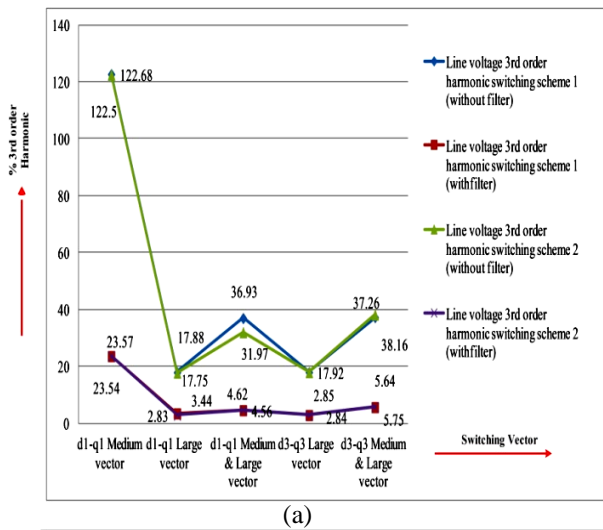
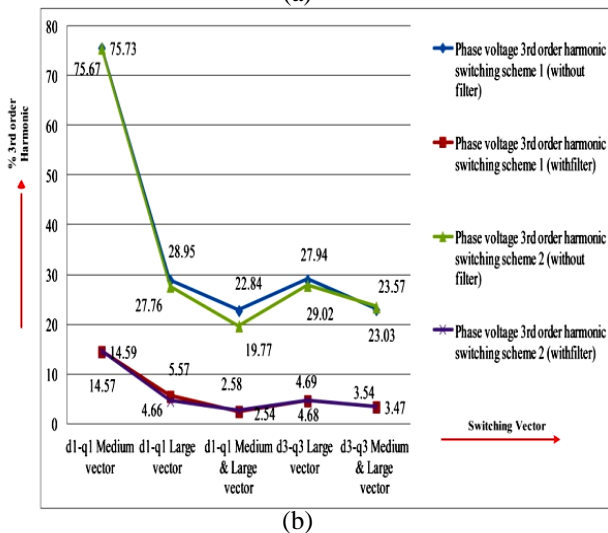
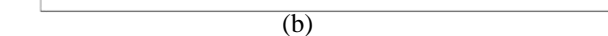


Fig. 16 (a) 3<sup>rd</sup> order harmonics in Line voltage (b) 3<sup>rd</sup> order harmonics in phase voltage (c) 7<sup>th</sup> order harmonics in Line voltage (d) 7<sup>th</sup> order harmonics in phase voltage for different SVPWM switching scheme



## 6. CONCLUSION

This paper focused on improving the input voltage quality of 5- $\phi$  induction motor by proposing a 5- $\phi$  VSI with various modified SVPWM techniques. Use of SVPWM techniques improves the utilization of DC bus voltage when compared to Sinusoidal PWM techniques. Two different switching schemes are designed for five different space vector combinations in  $d_1q_1$  and  $d_3q_3$  subspaces. This investigation is performed in the MATLAB Simulink for 5- $\phi$  VSI fed IM drive. The overall comparison result shows that switching scheme (SS-2) for  $d_1q_1$  and  $d_3q_3$  large vector gives the superior performance in terms of reduction in harmonics of phase and line voltages than other methods. From the fig. 15 and 16, the harmonic minimization in a line and phase voltage using  $d_3q_3$  large vector switching scheme (SS-2) is superior when compared to  $d_1q_1$  large vector switching schemes.



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