

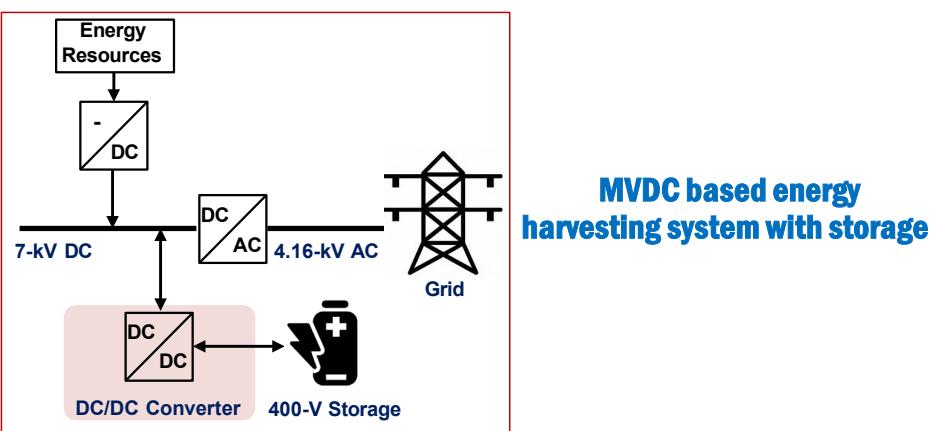
Medium-voltage Power Electronics for Grid-tied Energy Storage Applications

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PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Project objectives:

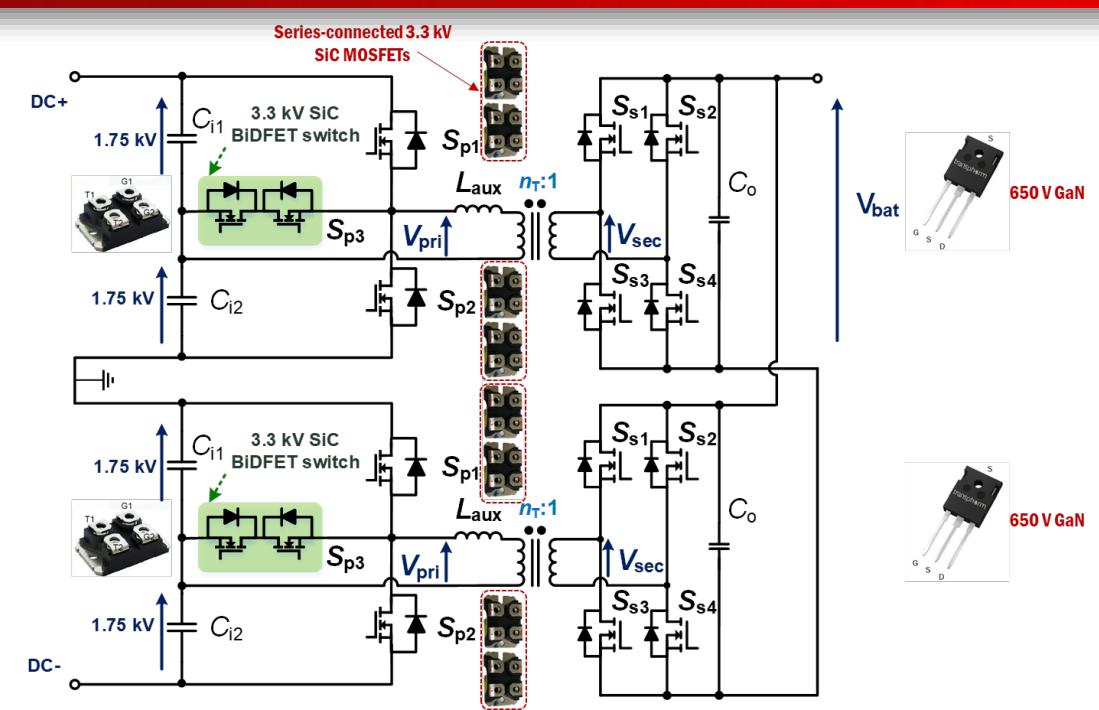
- Design and evaluate a medium voltage wide bandgap (WBG) semiconductor-based power converter for grid-tied energy storage applications to improve energy storage system performance.



Main research tasks:

- Evaluation of medium voltage SiC devices for performance.
- Development of suitable gate drive circuits for medium voltage SiC devices.
- Design and testing of a medium voltage SiC device-based bidirectional isolated DC/DC converter.

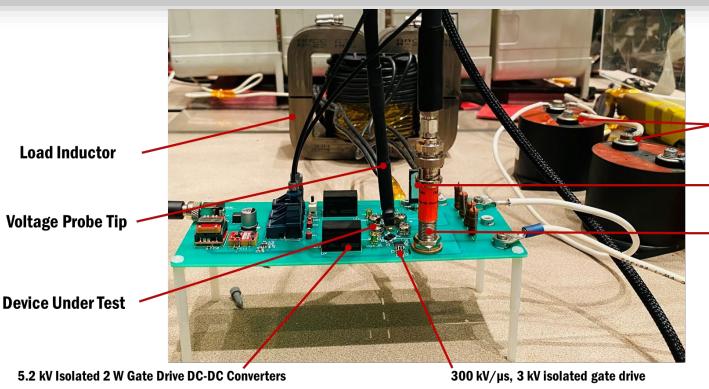
PROPOSED SOLUTION



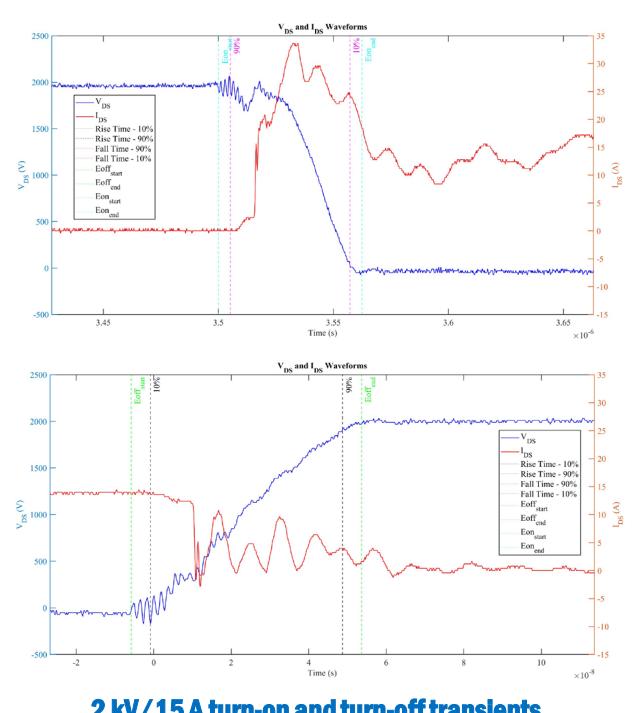
Benefits of the proposed solution:

- Modular and scalable high-gain DC/DC converters with reduced current ripples into the energy storage system.
- Compact medium voltage stages with monolithic SiC BIDFETs.
- Direct series connection of 3.3 kV SiC MOSFETs for reduced power loss and device cost.

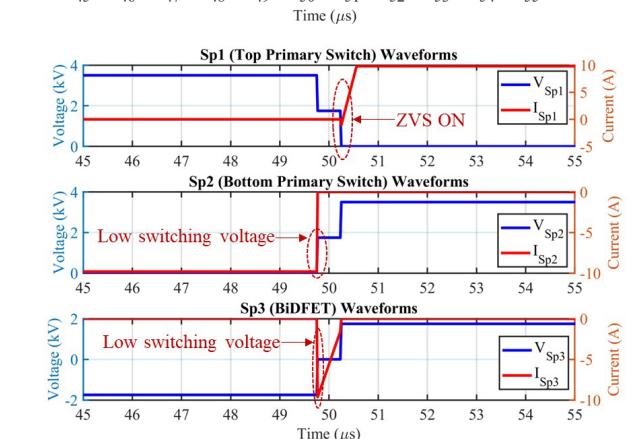
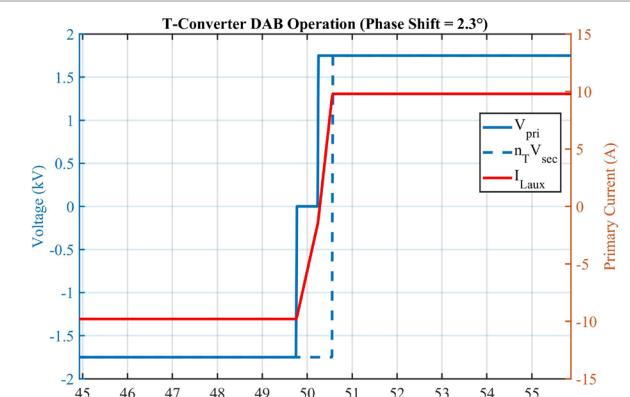
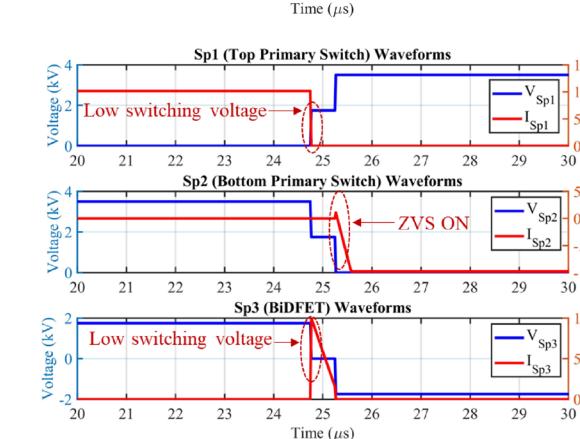
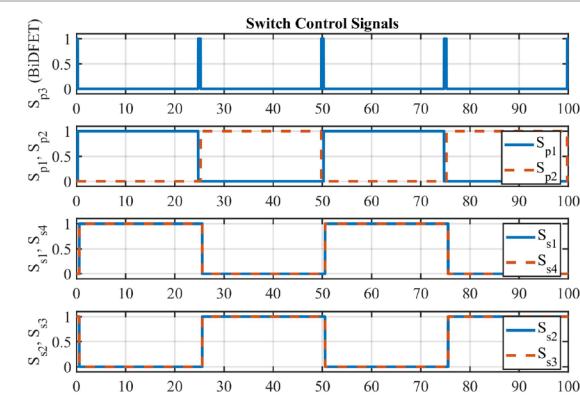
3.3 kV SiC Bidirectional MOSFET Evaluation



Setup for 3.3 kV SiC BIDFET switching performance evaluation



OPERATION OF THE T-DAB CONVERTER



Features of the operation:

- An additional degree of control via the zero-state duration.
- Reduced maximum dv/dt on transformer windings due to the introduction of zero state.
- Reduced switching stress on medium-voltage switching devices.