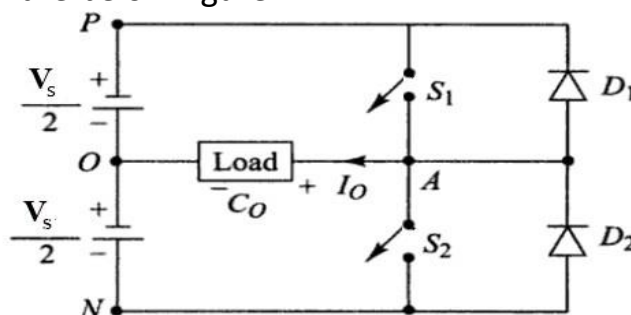## 4.1 Single Phase Inverter

The inverter is a power electronic converter that converts direct power to alternating power.

❖ By using this inverter device, we can convert fixed dc into variable ac power which as a variable frequency and voltage.

❖ Secondly from this inverter, we can vary the frequency i.e we will be able to generate the 40HZ, 50HZ, 60HZ frequencies as of our requirement.

❖ If the dc input is a voltage source then the inverter is known as VSI (Voltage Source Inverter).

❖ The bridge inverters are of two types they are **half-bridge inverter and full-bridge inverter.**

❖ The full bridge inverters need four switching devices whereas half-bridge inverter needs two switching devices.

SINGLE PHASE HALF BRIDGE INVERTER WITH R,RL and RLC LOAD

The circuit diagram of a single-phase half-bridge inverter with resistive load is shown in the below figure.

Figure 3.4.1 Single-phase inverter

[Source: "Power Electronics" by P.S.Bimbra, Khanna Publishers Page: 310]

❖ Vs/2 is the voltage source, S1 and S2 are the two switches, i0 is the current. Where each switch is connected to diodes D1 and D2 parallelly.

❖ In the above figure 4, the switches S1 and S2 are the self-commutating switches.The switch S1 will conduct when the voltage is positive and current is negative, switch S2 will conduct when the voltage is negative, and the current is negative. The diode D1 will conduct when the voltage is positive and current is negative, diode D2 will conduct when the voltage is negative, and the current is positive.

Case 1 (when switch S1 is ON and S2 is OFF):

• When switch S1 is ON from a time period of 0 to T/2, the diode D1 and D2 are in reverse bias condition and S2 switch is OFF.

• Where output voltage V0= Vs/2

• Where output current i0 = V0/R= Vs/2R

• In case of supply current or switch current, the current iS1 = i0 = Vs/2R, iS2 = 0 and the diode current iD1 = iD2 = 0.

• **Case 2 (when switch S2 is ON and S1 is OFF):**

• When switch S2 is ON from a time period of T/2 to T, the diode D1 and D2 are in reverse bias condition and S1 switch is OFF.

• Applying KVL (Kirchhoff's Voltage Law)Vs/2+V0=0

• Where output voltage V0= -Vs/2

• Where output current i0 = V0/R= -Vs/2R

- In case of supply current or switch current, the current iS1 = 0,

iS2 = i0 = -Vs/2R and the diode current iD1 = iD2 = 0.

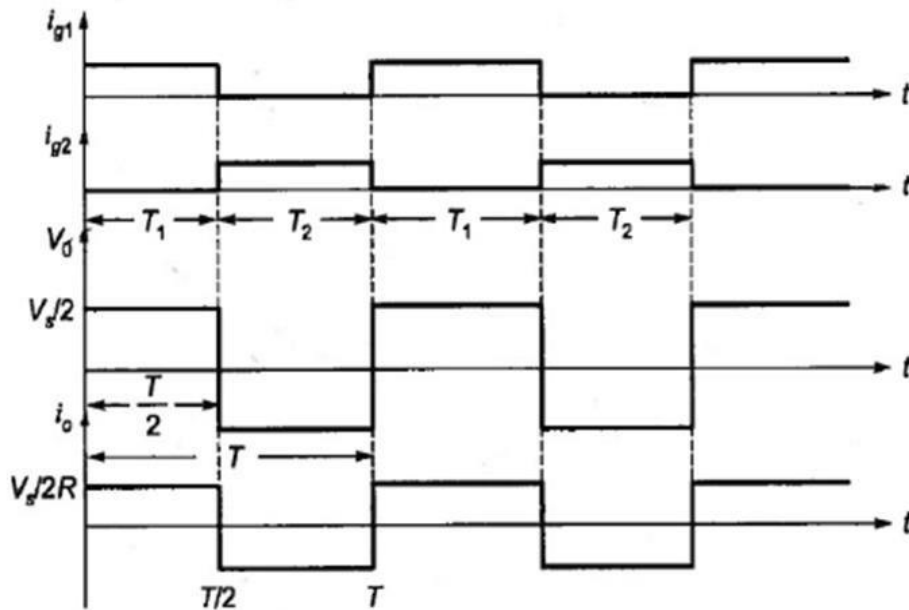- The single-phase half-bridge inverter output voltage waveform is shown in the below figure.

Figure 4.1.2 Single-phase inverter Waveform

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