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Abstract—This manual provides the design of a DC-DC Buck-Converter.

1 COMPONENTS

Component	Value	Quantity
Arduino Uno		1
Inductor	5 mH	1
Capacitor	10 uF	1
n-MOS	IRF 540	1
Jumper Wires	M-M	20
Diode		1
Gate Driver	TLP350	1

TABLE I

2 CIRCUIT OPERATION

The buck converter circuit is shown in Fig. 1.

Problem 2.1. When the switch is ON, the circuit diagram is shown in Fig. 2. Express the voltage across inductor in terms of V_s and V_o and current passing through the capacitor in terms of I_L and I_o when switch is ON.

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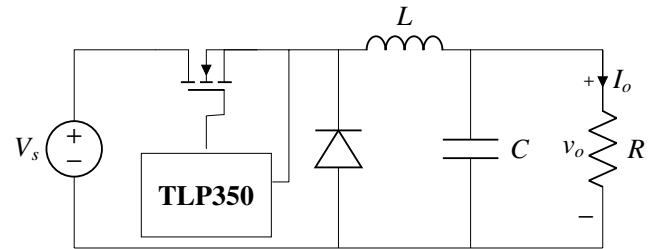


Fig. 1: DC-DC buck converter

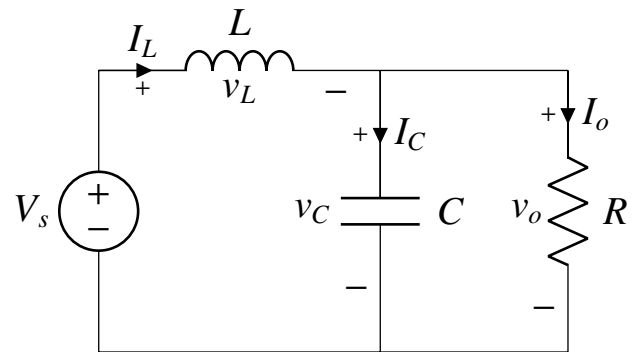


Fig. 2: Switch in ON state

Solution:

$$V_L(ON) = V_s - V_o$$

$$I_C(ON) = I_L - I_o$$

Problem 2.2. When the switch is OFF, the circuit diagram is shown in Fig. 3. Express the voltage across inductor in terms of V_s and V_o and current passing through the capacitor in terms of I_L and I_o when switch is OFF.

Solution:

$$V_L(OFF) + V_o = 0$$

$$V_L(OFF) = -V_o$$

$$I_C(OFF) = I_L - I_o$$

Problem 2.3. Find V_o and I_o .

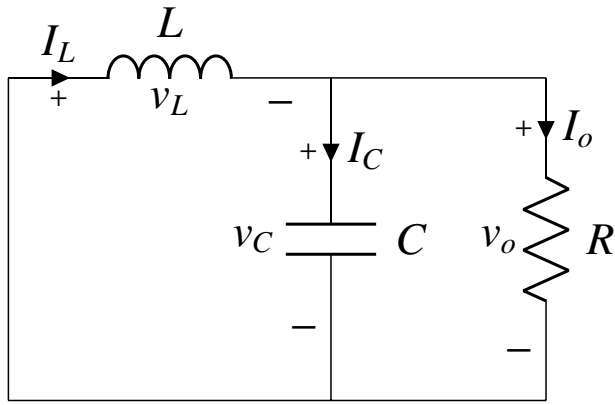


Fig. 3: Switch in OFF state

Solution: From Volt-sec Balance

$$\begin{aligned} V_L(ON)T_{ON} + V_L(OFF)T_{OFF} &= 0 \\ (V_s - V_o)DT - V_o(1 - D)T &= 0 \\ V_o &= DV_s \end{aligned}$$

Where D is Duty cycle. From Amp-sec Balance,

$$\begin{aligned} (I_L - I_o)DT + (I_L - I_o)(1 - D)T &= 0 \\ I_o &= I_L \end{aligned}$$

Problem 2.4. Express L in terms of D, V_o , $f = \frac{1}{T}$ and ΔI_L where ΔI_L is Ripple in the inductor current i.e maximum change in the inductor current from ON state to OFF state .

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} V_L(ON) &= V_s - V_o \\ L \frac{di_{ON}}{dt_{ON}} &= V_s - V_o \\ L \frac{\Delta I_L}{DT} &= V_s - DV_s \\ L &= \frac{D(1 - D)V_s}{\Delta I_L f} \\ L &= \frac{(1 - D)V_o}{f \Delta I_L} \end{aligned} \quad (2.4.1)$$

Where ΔI_L is Ripple in the inductor current i.e maximum change in the inductor current from ON state to OFF state .

Problem 2.5. Express C in terms of L, D, ΔV_o and $f = \frac{1}{T}$.

Solution: Charge on the capacitor

$$\begin{aligned} Q &= CV_C \\ \Delta Q &= C \Delta V_C = C \Delta V_o \end{aligned}$$

ΔQ = Area under the capacitor current will

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta Q &= \frac{1}{2} \frac{\Delta I_L}{2} \frac{T}{2} = \frac{\Delta I_L}{8f} \\ C &= \frac{\Delta I_L}{8f \Delta V_o} \end{aligned} \quad (2.5.1)$$

Problem 2.6. Assume,

Input Voltage (V_s) = 10V

Output Voltage (V_o) = 5V

ΔI_L = 11% of I_L

ΔV_o = 6% of V_o

Let $R = 5\Omega$ (for $I_o = 1A$)

Calculate L and C.

Problem 2.7. Connect the circuit as per the Fig. 1 and measure I_o and V_o .

3 CIRCUIT ASSEMBLY

Problem 3.1. Assemble the Buck converter circuit according to Figs. 1, 4 and Table II.

TLP350	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
ARDUINO	NA	13	GND	NA			NA	
					GND			15V
						22 Ω		

TABLE II: Pin Connections

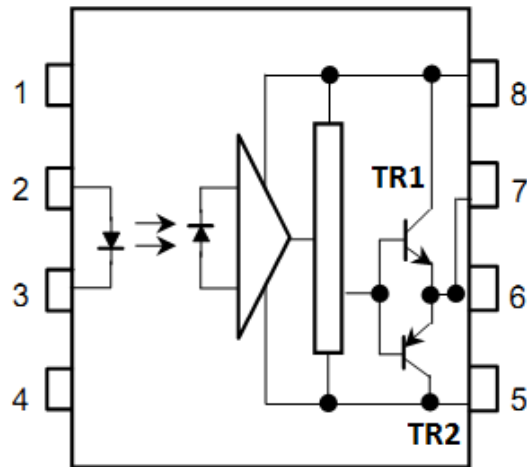
Problem 3.2. Program the arduino to generate a square wave with *Duty Cycle* $D = 0.5$ and frequency $f = 5KHz$.

Solution:

```
void setup() {
    pinMode(13, OUTPUT);
}

void loop() {
    digitalWrite(13, LOW);
    delayMicroseconds(10);
    digitalWrite(13, HIGH);
    delayMicroseconds(10);
}
```

Pin Configuration



- 1 : N.C.
- 2 : Anode
- 3 : Cathode
- 4 : N.C.
- 5 : GND
- 6 : V_O (Output)
- 7 : V_O
- 8 : V_{CC}

Fig. 4: TLP350

4 FOURIER SERIES ANALYSIS OF BUCK-CONVERTER

Problem 4.1. Observe the output of the Source pin of the n-MOS on oscilloscope and write the python script to generate the same.

Solution: The output is shown in Fig. 5

```
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from scipy import signal
A = 10 # wave amplitude

T = 0.2 # wave period

t = np.linspace(-2.5*T, 2.5*T, int(1/e4))

plt.plot(t, A/2 * (1 + signal.square(2*np.pi*t/T, 0.5)))

plt.ylim(-1, 12)
plt.grid()
```

```
plt.xlabel('$t(msec)$')
plt.ylabel('$X(t)$')
plt.savefig('square.eps')
plt.show()
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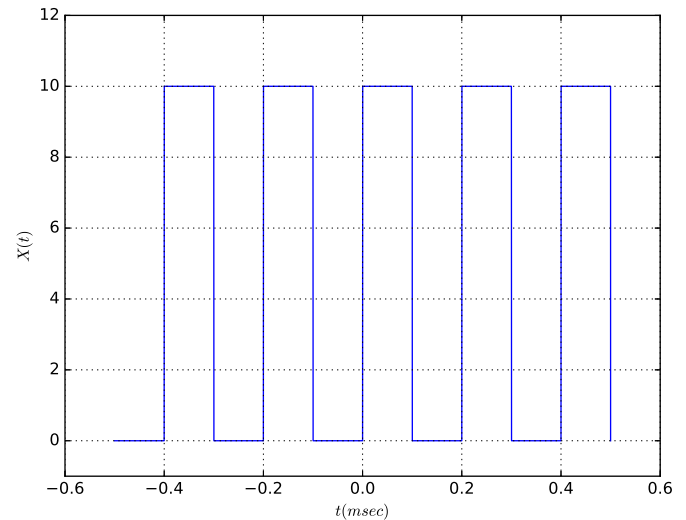


Fig. 5: Square Pulse

Problem 4.2. Show that the voltage across the diode in Fig. 1 is

$$V_D(t) = \begin{cases} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{10}{n\pi} \sin(2\pi f t) & n \text{ odd} \\ 5 & n = 0 \\ 0 & n \text{ even} \end{cases} \quad (4.2.1)$$

Problem 4.3. Compute and sketch the frequency response for the L-C-R part of Fig. 1 shown in Fig. 6 for $R = 5\Omega$ and L and C calculated using equation (2.4.1) and equation (2.5.1). What kind of filter is it?

Problem 4.4. Calculate the cut-off frequency for the filter in Fig. 6.

Problem 4.5. Find V_o .

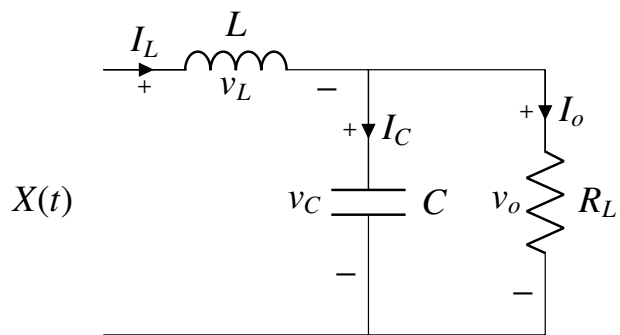


Fig. 6: Filter