

Ideal Simulation

Now, simulate your ideal synchronous buck converter using the component sizes you selected in Module 0. For the configurable switch blocks, double-click each block and select *Configuration/Ideal Sw*. You can ignore the ‘Parameters’ for now. **Make sure to define the deadtime (‘Turn-on Delay’ block) as 0 [s].** Based on your converter simulation, determine the following:

1. The efficiency of your power converter at the nominal operating point and at each corner operating point.
2. The maximum peak-to-peak ripple (as a percentage) on v_{out} , considering the entire operating range.
3. The maximum peak-to-peak ripple (as a percentage) on i_L , considering the entire voltage range at full power.
4. The maximum voltage stress on each of your switches, considering the entire operating range.
5. The maximum current stress on each of your switches, considering the entire operating range.

PLECS Tip: If waveforms look jagged instead of smooth, try increasing the refine factor. A higher refine factor improves the rendering of an output from the scope without increasing simulation time. The refine factor can be set in the Solver pane of the Simulation Parameter window. A refine factor less than 10 is recommended.

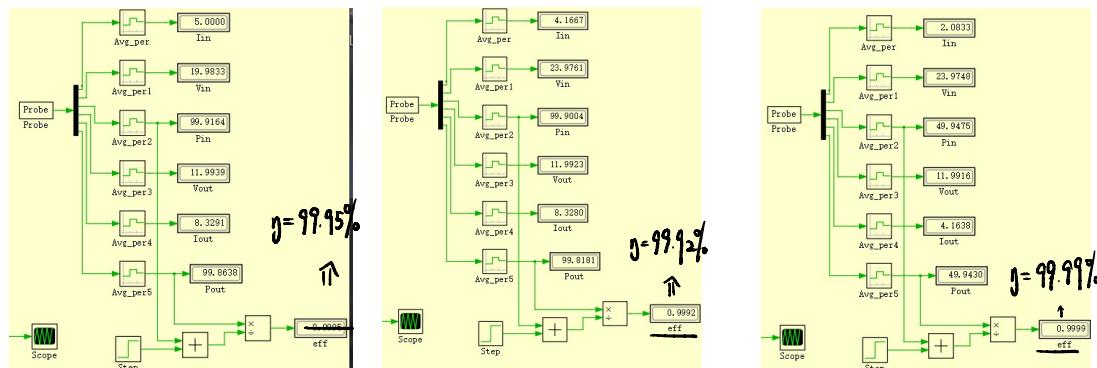
Check-off: Confirm (a) that chosen components satisfy ripple requirements and can tolerate maximum stress, and (b) that your switch selections are appropriate for your design.

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1. nominal operating points

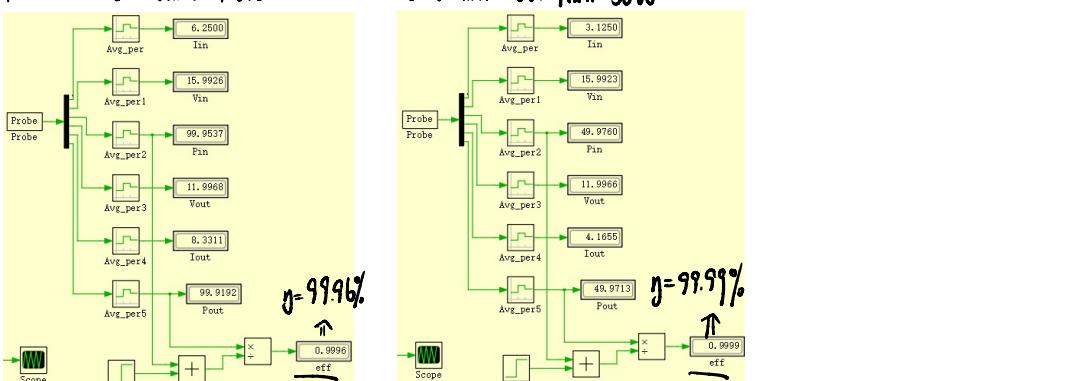
2. $V_{in \ max}, P_{max}$
 $= 24V = 100W$

3. $V_{in \ max} = 24V, P_{min} = 50W$

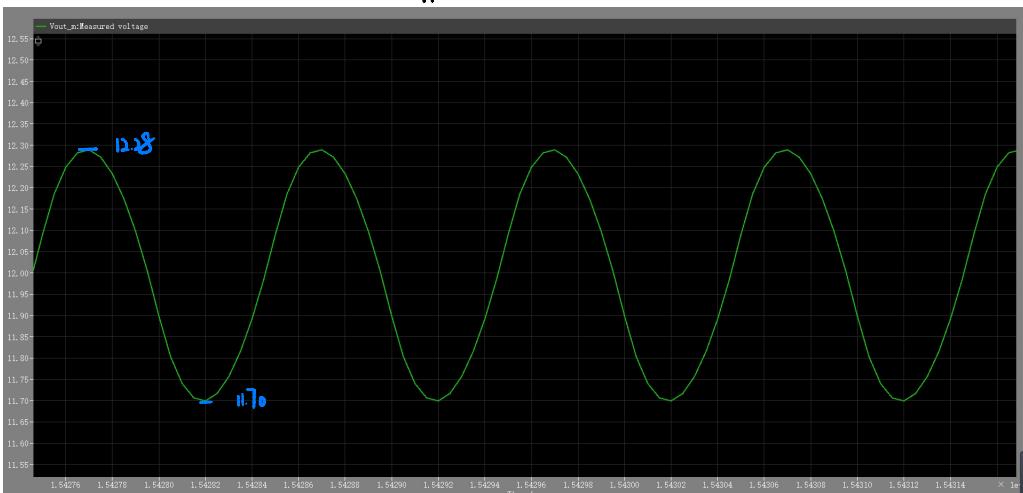


4. $V_{in \ min} = 16V, P_{max} = 100W$

5. $V_{in \ min} = 16V, P_{min} = 50W$

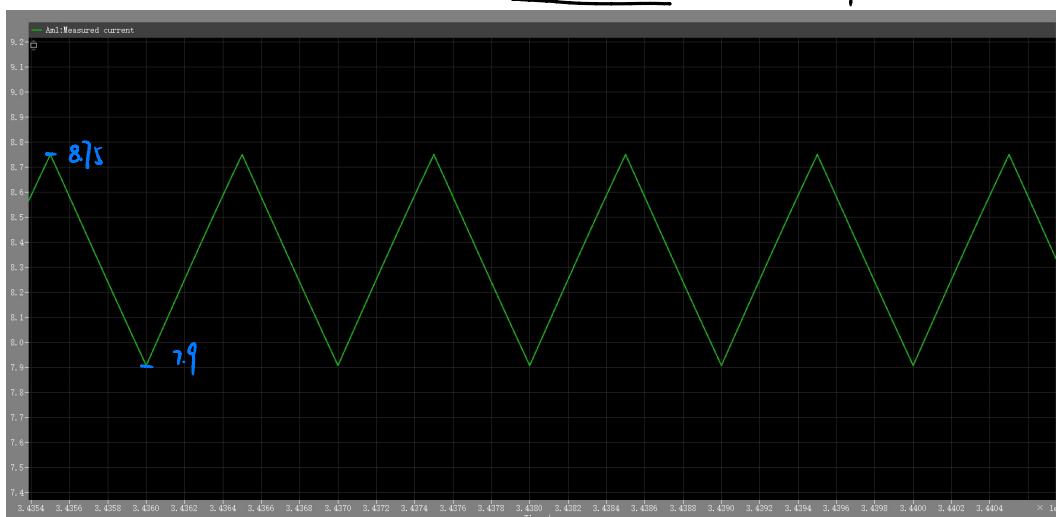


(2). V_{out} ripple: (worst-case) — $V_{in\ max} = 24V$. \downarrow $P_{min} = 50W \Rightarrow I_L\ min.$ $\text{ripple \% } = \frac{12.28 - 11.70}{12} = 0.58A \approx 4.83\%$
ripple max. $\approx 5\% \text{ ideally}$



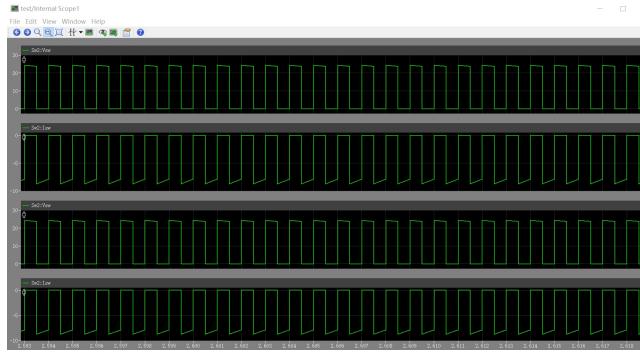
pp max

3. i_L ripple $\langle i_L \rangle = \frac{P_{out}}{V_{out}} = \frac{100}{12} \approx 8.34$ ideal & real: $\langle i_L \rangle = 8.3219$ $\text{ripple} = \frac{8.75 - 7.9}{8.3219} = 0.85A \approx 10.21\%$.



All of the ripples on switches:

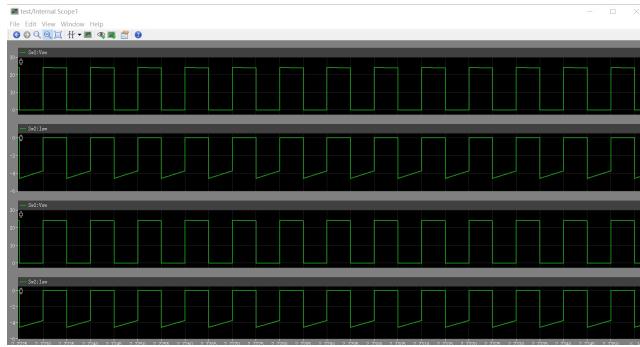
$$P=100\text{W}, V_{in}=24\text{V}$$



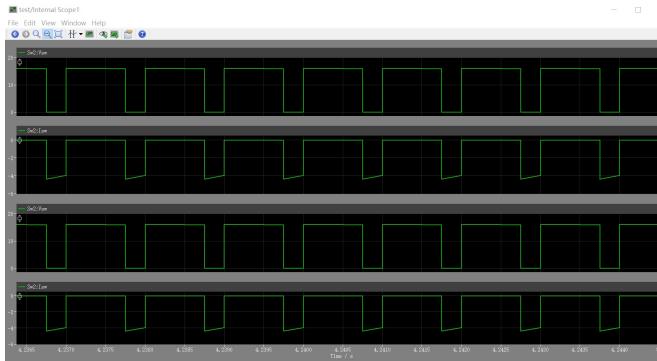
$$V_{in}=16\text{V}, P=100\text{W}$$



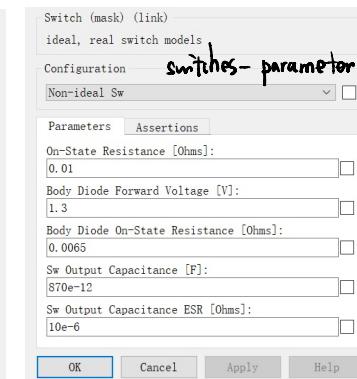
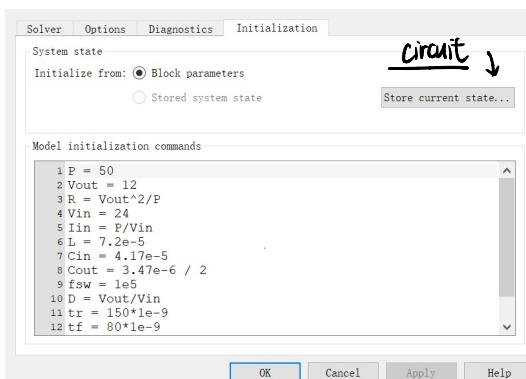
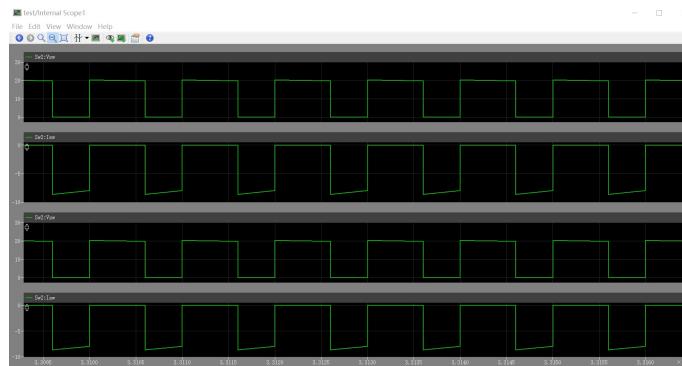
$$V_{in}=24\text{V}, P=50\text{W}$$



$V_{in}=16V$, $P=50W$



$V_{in}=20V$, $P=100W$ norminal situation

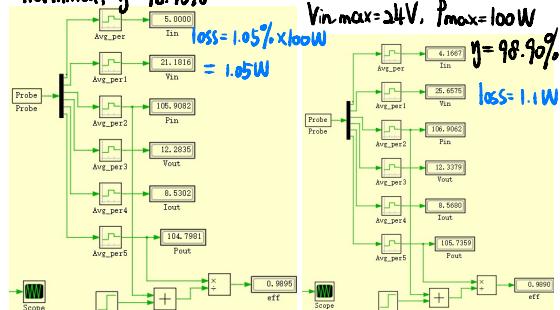


= parameters given

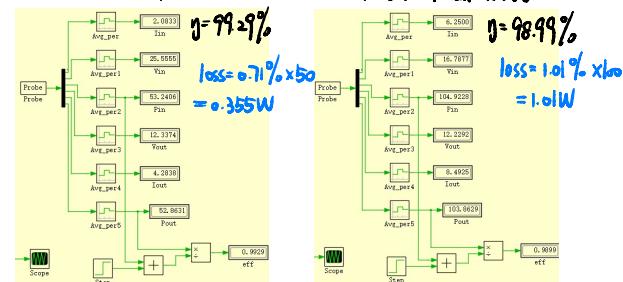
Simulation with parasitics:

- The efficiency of your power converter.
- The maximum voltage and current stresses on each of your switches, considering the entire operating range.

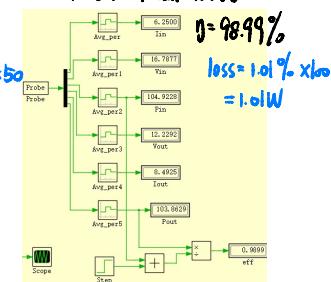
nominal, $\eta = 98.95\%$



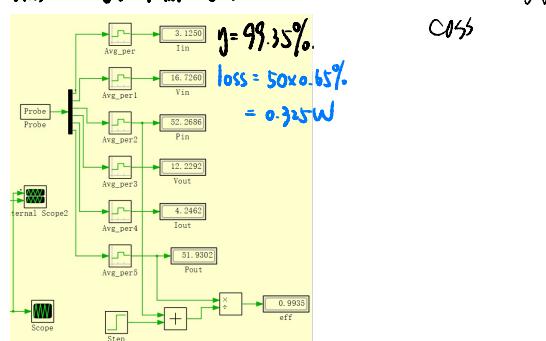
$V_{in,max} = 24V, P_{min} = 50W$



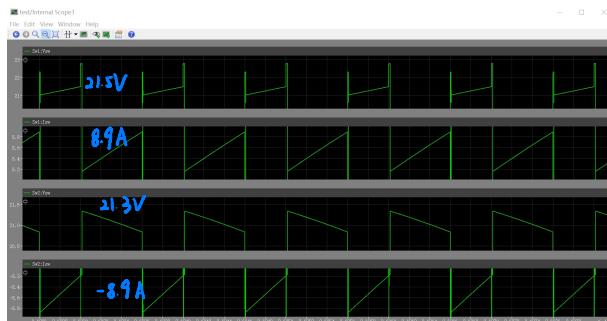
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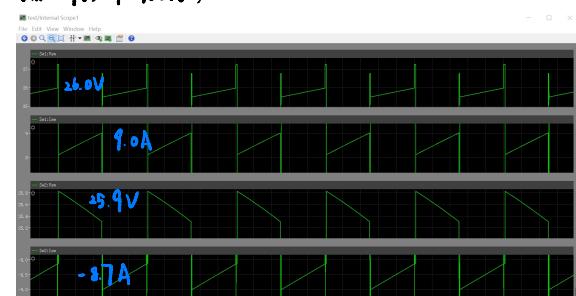
$V_{in,min} = 16V, P_{min} = 50W$



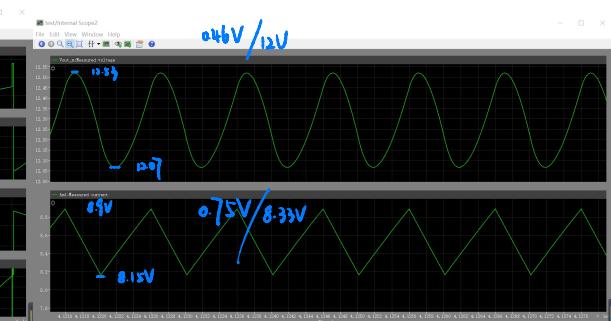
nominal: $V_{in} = 24V, P = 100W$. Stresses.



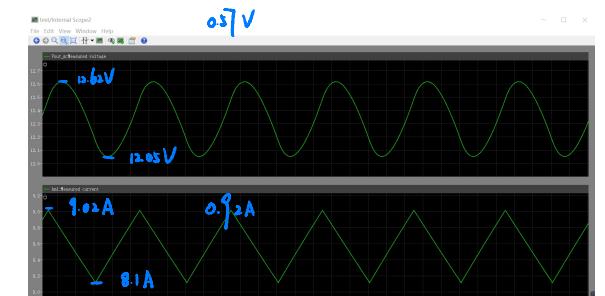
$V_{in} = 24V, P = 100W$.



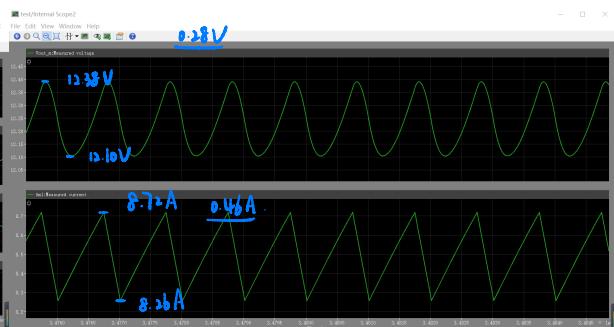
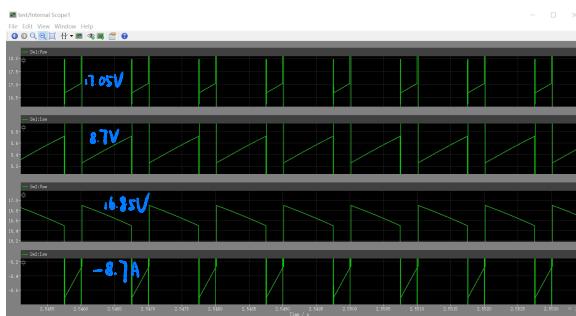
$0.46V / 12V$



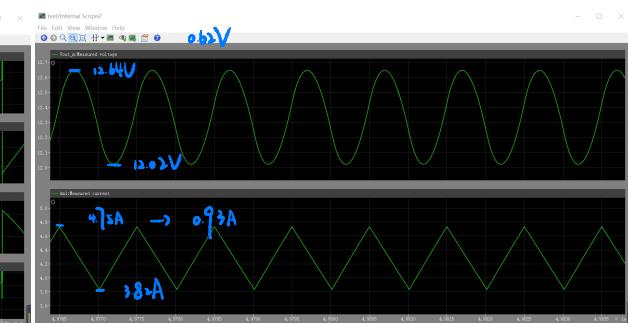
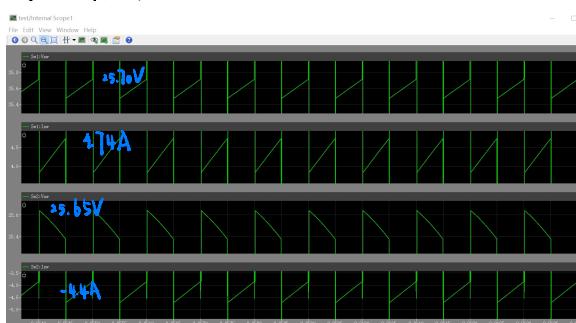
$0.57V$



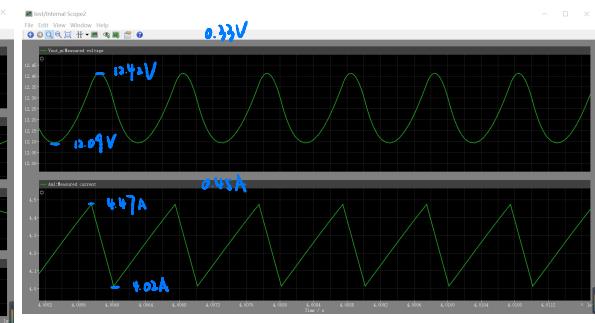
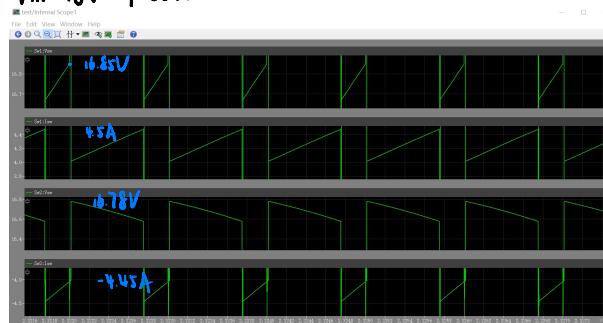
$V_{in}=16V$, $P=100W$



$V_{in}=24V$, $P=50W$.



$V_{in}=16V$, $P=50W$



1. Total converter losses, based on measured efficiency. \rightarrow seen before.

2. RMS current for each switch.

PLECS Tip: Use probe and RMS blocks. What sampling time makes sense to get a good rms estimate? Because we are not modeling all circuit parasitics, there will be very large voltage/current spikes on the switches. For the conduction loss estimate, you can ignore the large spikes in switch current, so try different sampling times until you get a 'reasonable' rms measurement.

3. Conduction losses for each switch.

4. Switching losses (as the remaining losses). nominal

$$(2) I_{rms,1} = \sqrt{D} \cdot I_L$$

$$I_{rms,2} = \sqrt{D} \cdot I_L$$

$$\textcircled{1} V_{in}=20V, P=100W \quad D=0.6$$

$$I_{rms,1} = \sqrt{0.6} \times \frac{100}{12} = 6.46 \text{ Arms}$$

$$I_{rms,2} = \sqrt{0.4} \times \frac{100}{12} = 5.27 \text{ Arms}$$

$$\textcircled{2} V_{in}=24V, P=100W \quad D=0.5$$

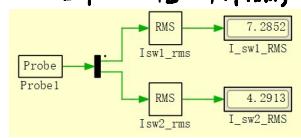
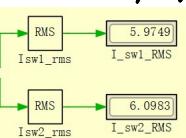
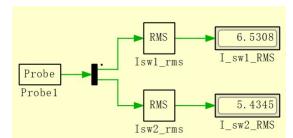
$$I_{rms,1} = \sqrt{0.5} \times \frac{100}{12} = 5.89 \text{ Arms}$$

$$I_{rms,2} = \sqrt{0.5} \times \frac{100}{12} = 5.89 \text{ Arms}$$

$$\textcircled{3} V_{in}=16V, P=100W \quad D=0.75$$

$$I_{rms,1} = \sqrt{0.75} \times \frac{100}{12} = 7.22 \text{ Arms}$$

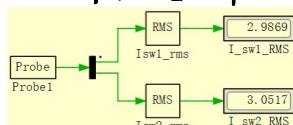
$$I_{rms,2} = \sqrt{0.25} \times \frac{100}{12} = 4.17 \text{ Arms}$$



$$\textcircled{4} V_{in}=24V, P=50W \quad D=0.5$$

$$I_{rms,1} = \sqrt{0.5} \times \frac{50}{12} = 2.95 \text{ Arms}$$

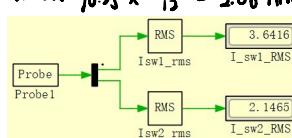
$$I_{rms,2} = \sqrt{0.5} \times \frac{50}{12} = 2.95 \text{ Arms}$$



$$\textcircled{5} V_{in}=16V, P=50W \quad D=0.75$$

$$I_{rms,1} = \sqrt{0.75} \times \frac{50}{12} = 3.61 \text{ Arms}$$

$$I_{rms,2} = \sqrt{0.25} \times \frac{50}{12} = 2.08 \text{ Arms}$$



$$(3) P_{cond,loss} = I_{rms}^2 \cdot Rds.on$$

$$P_{sw,loss} = (P_{av} + P_{oss})$$

$$= P_{total} - P_{cond,loss}$$

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% nominal Vin=20V P=100W [real situation]
P_loss_total = 1.05*1e-2 * 100
I_rms_1 = 6.5308;
I_rms_2 = 5.4345;
Rds_on = 0.01;

P_cond_1 = I_rms_1^2 * Rds_on
P_cond_2 = I_rms_2^2 * Rds_on

P_sw_1 = P_loss_total - P_cond_1
P_sw_2 = P_loss_total - P_cond_2

% Vin=24V P=100W [real situation]
P_loss_total = 1.1
I_rms_1 = 5.9749;
I_rms_2 = 6.0983;
Rds_on = 0.01;

P_cond_1 = I_rms_1^2 * Rds_on
P_cond_2 = I_rms_2^2 * Rds_on

P_sw_1 = P_loss_total - P_cond_1
P_sw_2 = P_loss_total - P_cond_2

% Vin=24V P=50W [real situation]
P_loss_total = 0.355
I_rms_1 = 2.9869;
I_rms_2 = 3.0517;
Rds_on = 0.01;

P_cond_1 = I_rms_1^2 * Rds_on
P_cond_2 = I_rms_2^2 * Rds_on

P_sw_1 = P_loss_total - P_cond_1
P_sw_2 = P_loss_total - P_cond_2
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% Vin=16V P=100W [real situation]
P_loss_total = 1.0100
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I_rms_1 = 7.2852;
I_rms_2 = 4.2913;
Rds_on = 0.01;

P_cond_1 = I_rms_1^2 * Rds_on
P_cond_2 = I_rms_2^2 * Rds_on

P_sw_1 = P_loss_total - P_cond_1
P_sw_2 = P_loss_total - P_cond_2

% Vin=16V P=50W [real situation]
P_loss_total = 1.1000
P_loss_total = 0.325
I_rms_1 = 3.6416;
I_rms_2 = 2.1465;
Rds_on = 0.01;

P_cond_1 = I_rms_1^2 * Rds_on
P_cond_2 = I_rms_2^2 * Rds_on

P_sw_1 = P_loss_total - P_cond_1
P_sw_2 = P_loss_total - P_cond_2
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P_loss_total = 0.3550

P_cond_1 = 0.0892
P_cond_2 = 0.0931

P_sw_1 = 0.2658
P_sw_2 = 0.2619
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% nominal Vin=20V P=100W [real situation]

P_loss_total = 1.05*1e-2 * 100

I_rms_1 = 6.5308;

I_rms_2 = 5.4345;

Rds_on = 0.01;

P_cond_1 = I_rms_1^2 * Rds_on

P_cond_2 = I_rms_2^2 * Rds_on

P_sw_1 = P_loss_total - P_cond_1

P_sw_2 = P_loss_total - P_cond_2

% Vin=24V P=100W [real situation]

P_loss_total = 1.1

I_rms_1 = 5.9749;

I_rms_2 = 6.0983;

Rds_on = 0.01;

P_cond_1 = I_rms_1^2 * Rds_on

P_cond_2 = I_rms_2^2 * Rds_on

P_sw_1 = P_loss_total - P_cond_1

P_sw_2 = P_loss_total - P_cond_2

% Vin=24V P=80W [real situation]

P_loss_total = 0.355

I_rms_1 = 2.9860;

I_rms_2 = 3.0517;

Rds_on = 0.01;

P_cond_1 = I_rms_1^2 * Rds_on

P_cond_2 = I_rms_2^2 * Rds_on

P_sw_1 = P_loss_total - P_cond_1

P_sw_2 = P_loss_total - P_cond_2

% Vin=16V P=100W [real situation]

P_loss_total = 1.01

I_rms_1 = 7.2852;

I_rms_2 = 4.2913;

Rds_on = 0.01;

P_cond_1 = I_rms_1^2 * Rds_on

P_cond_2 = I_rms_2^2 * Rds_on

P_sw_1 = P_loss_total - P_cond_1

P_sw_2 = P_loss_total - P_cond_2

% Vin=16V P=80W [real situation]

P_loss_total = 0.325

I_rms_1 = 3.6416;

I_rms_2 = 2.1465;

Rds_on = 0.01;

P_cond_1 = I_rms_1^2 * Rds_on

P_cond_2 = I_rms_2^2 * Rds_on

P_sw_1 = P_loss_total - P_cond_1

P_sw_2 = P_loss_total - P_cond_2

% Vin=16V P=60W [real situation]

P_loss_total = 0.325

I_rms_1 = 3.6416;

I_rms_2 = 2.1465;

Rds_on = 0.01;

P_cond_1 = I_rms_1^2 * Rds_on

P_cond_2 = I_rms_2^2 * Rds_on

P_sw_1 = P_loss_total - P_cond_1

P_sw_2 = P_loss_total - P_cond_2

conduction and switching loss

P_loss_total = 1.0500

P_loss_cond1 = D*IL^2*Rds

P_loss_cond2 = Dbar*IL^2*Rds

P_sw_1 = P_loss_cond1 + P_loss_ov + P_loss_coss

P_sw2 = P_loss2 - P_loss_cond2

P_loss_total = 1.1000

P_loss_cond1 = D*IL^2*Rds

P_loss_cond2 = Dbar*IL^2*Rds

P_loss1 = P_loss_cond1 + P_loss_ov + P_loss_coss

P_loss2 = P_loss_cond2

P_sw1 = P_loss1 - P_loss_cond1

P_sw2 = P_loss2 - P_loss_cond2

P_loss_total = 0.3550

P_loss_cond1 = Dbar*IL^2*Rds

P_loss_cond2 = Dbar*IL^2*Rds

P_loss1 = P_loss_cond1 + P_loss_ov + P_loss_coss

P_loss2 = P_loss_cond2

P_sw1 = P_loss1 - P_loss_cond1

P_sw2 = P_loss2 - P_loss_cond2

P_loss_total = 1.0100

P_loss_cond1 = D*IL^2*Rds

P_loss_cond2 = Dbar*IL^2*Rds

P_loss1 = P_loss_cond1 + P_loss_ov + P_loss_coss

P_loss2 = P_loss_cond2

P_sw1 = P_loss1 - P_loss_cond1

P_sw2 = P_loss2 - P_loss_cond2

P_loss_total = 0.3250

P_loss_cond1 = D*IL^2*Rds

P_loss_cond2 = Dbar*IL^2*Rds

P_loss1 = P_loss_cond1 + P_loss_ov + P_loss_coss

P_loss2 = P_loss_cond2

P_sw1 = P_loss1 - P_loss_cond1

P_sw2 = P_loss2 - P_loss_cond2

P_loss_total = 0.325

P_loss_cond1 = 0.1326

P_loss_cond2 = 0.0461

P_sw1 = P_loss1 - P_loss_cond1

P_sw2 = P_loss2 - P_loss_cond2

P_sw1 = 0.1924

P_sw2 = 0.2789

P_loss_cond1 = 0.4186

P_loss_cond2 = 0.2778

P_sw1 = 0.4754

P_sw2 = 0

P_loss_cond1 = 0.3472

P_loss_cond2 = 0.3472

P_sw1 = 0.5865

P_sw2 = 0

P_loss_cond1 = 0.0868

P_loss_cond2 = 0.0868

P_loss1 = 0.4203

P_loss2 = 0.0868

P_sw1 = 0.3415

P_sw2 = 0

P_loss_cond1 = 0.5208

P_loss_cond2 = 0.1736

P_sw1 = 0.8904

P_sw2 = 0.1736

P_sw1 = 0.3696

P_sw2 = 0

P_loss_cond1 = 0.1302

P_loss_cond2 = 0.0434

P_sw1 = 0.3364

P_sw2 = 0.0434

P_sw1 = 0.2062

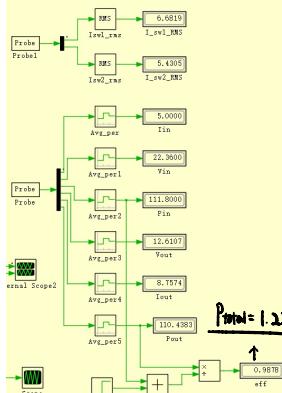
P_sw2 = 0

converter design tradeoff

- Simulate your converter for the same operating point as above but with twice the switching frequency. In PLECS, estimate your conduction losses and switching losses, and compare these to the losses of the previous section. Estimate the ripple on the inductor current, and compare this to the previous ripple. Are these differences predictable using calculations?

f_s : 100kHz \rightarrow 200kHz

Nominal Situation: Vin=20V, Pout=100W



% Vin=20V P=100W [real situation]

P_loss_total = 1.22

I_rms_1 = 6.6819;

I_rms_2 = 5.4305;

Rds_on = 0.01;

P_cond_1 = I_rms_1^2 * Rds_on

P_cond_2 = I_rms_2^2 * Rds_on

P_sw_1 = P_loss_total - P_cond_1 - P_cond_2

P_sw_2 = 0 % It's negelected

% Vin=20V P=100W [real situation]

P_loss_total = 1.05

I_rms_1 = 6.5308;

I_rms_2 = 5.4345;

Rds_on = 0.01;

P_cond_1 = I_rms_1^2 * Rds_on

P_cond_2 = I_rms_2^2 * Rds_on

P_sw_1 = P_loss_total - P_cond_1 - P_cond_2

P_sw_2 = 0 % It's negelected

$2f_s$

P_loss_total = 1.2200

P_cond_1 = 0.4465

P_cond_2 = 0.2949

P_sw1 = 0.4786

P_sw2 = 0

P_loss_total = 1.0500

P_cond_1 = 0.4265

P_cond_2 = 0.2953

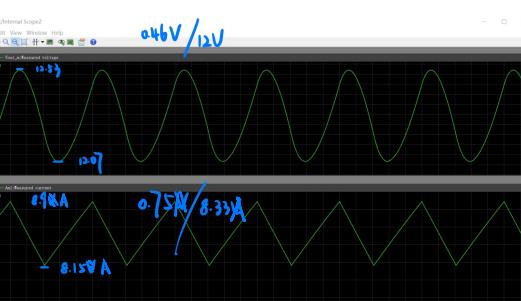
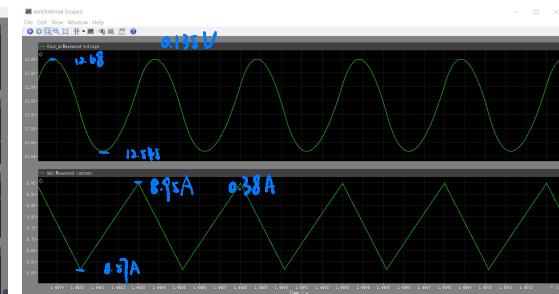
P_sw1 = 0.3281

P_sw2 = 0

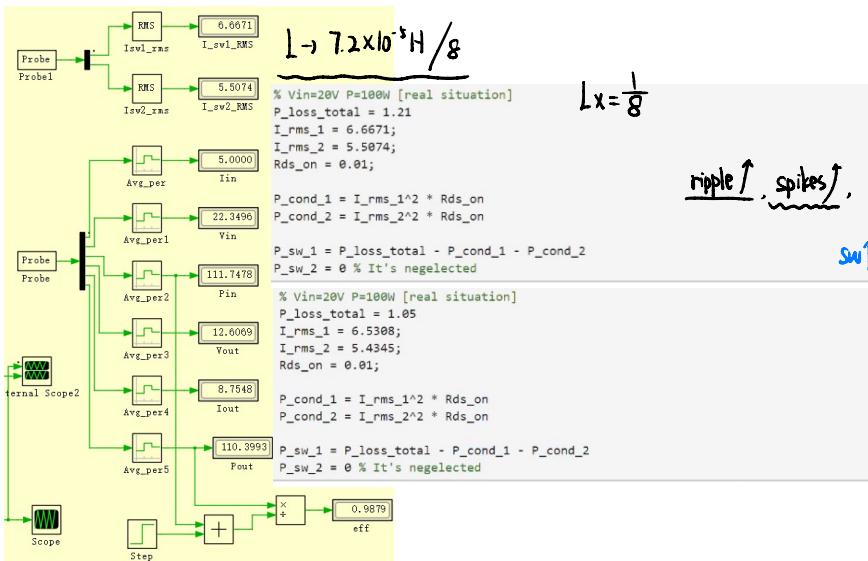
Smaller ripples



normal: $V_{in} = 20V, P = 100W$. STRESSES.



2. Simulate your converter for the same operating point as above but with 1/8 the inductor size. In PLECS, estimate your conduction losses and switching losses, and compare these to the losses of the previous section. Are these differences predictable using calculations?



ripple ↑, spikes ↑, st. I_{rms} would be ↑ P_{cond} ↑

sw ↑

fs, L same. P_{cond} should be the same.

3. The $R_{ds,on}$ and C_{oss} of a switch are closely related to its die size. Select a different switch with the same voltage rating but a significantly larger die size (i.e., higher current rating), and use it to simulate your converter. In PLECS, estimate your conduction losses and switching losses, and compare these to the losses of the previous section. How does the switch's $R_{ds,on}$ and C_{oss} compare to the switch you chose?

Use IRZ34NPBF, but smaller die size [29A]

$$R_{ds} = 0.04 \Omega, C_{oss,E} = 4.3254 \times 10^{-10} F \text{ (From MATLAB)}$$

$$C_{oss} = 240 pF$$

% Vin=38V Ps100W [real situation]

$$P_{loss_total} = 1.05$$

$$I_{rms_1} = 6.5308;$$

$$I_{rms_2} = 5.4345;$$

$$R_{ds_on} = 0.01;$$

$$P_{cond_1} = I_{rms_1}^2 * R_{ds_on}$$

$$P_{cond_2} = I_{rms_2}^2 * R_{ds_on}$$

$$P_{sw_1} = P_{loss_total} - P_{cond_1} - P_{cond_2}$$

$$P_{sw_2} = 0 \text{ % It's neglected}$$

% Vin=38V Ps100W [real situation]

$$P_{loss_total} = 3.2$$

$$I_{rms_1} = 6.6745;$$

$$I_{rms_2} = 5.5118;$$

$$R_{ds_on} = 0.04;$$

$$P_{cond_1} = I_{rms_1}^2 * R_{ds_on}$$

$$P_{cond_2} = I_{rms_2}^2 * R_{ds_on}$$

$$P_{sw_1} = P_{loss_total} - P_{cond_1} - P_{cond_2}$$

$$P_{sw_2} = 0 \text{ % It's neglected}$$

original

$$P_{loss_total} = 1.0500$$

$$\{ P_{cond_1} = 0.4265 \\ P_{cond_2} = 0.2953 \}$$

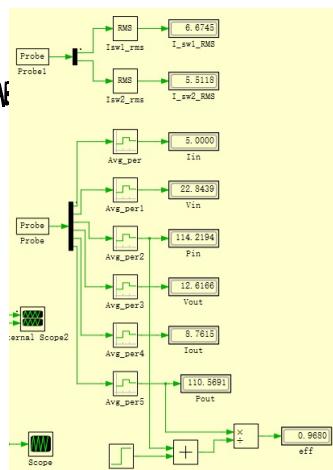
$$\{ P_{sw_1} = 0.3281 \\ P_{sw_2} = 0 \}$$

smaller die size.

$$P_{loss_total} = 3.2000$$

$$\{ P_{cond_1} = 1.7820 \\ P_{cond_2} = 1.2152 \}$$

$$\{ P_{sw_1} = 0.2028 \\ P_{sw_2} = 0 \}$$



comparison on C_{oss} and $R_{ds, on}$.

