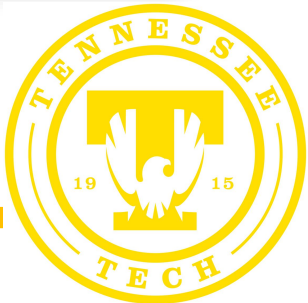
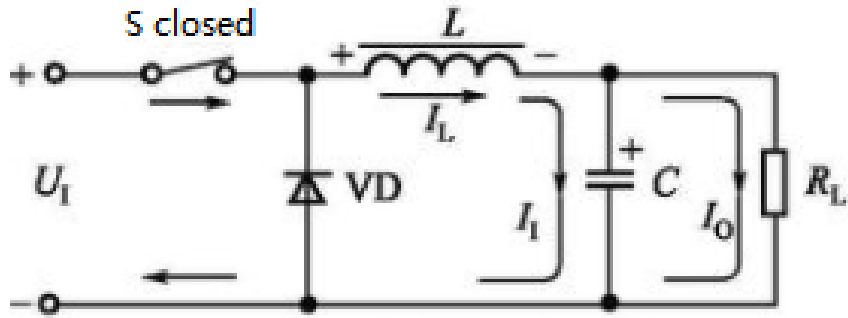


Inverting Buck-Boost Converters

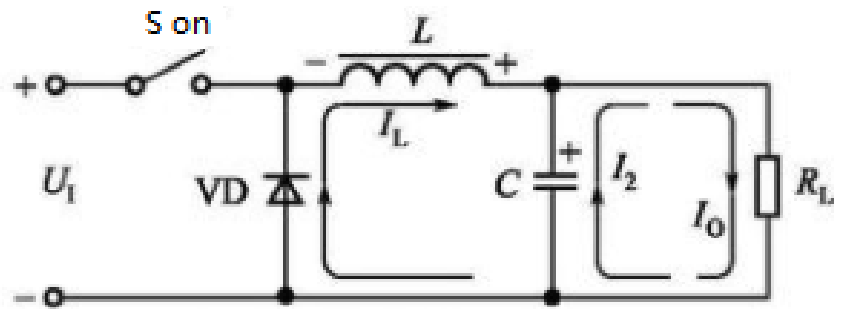
Mark Beech



Buck Converters



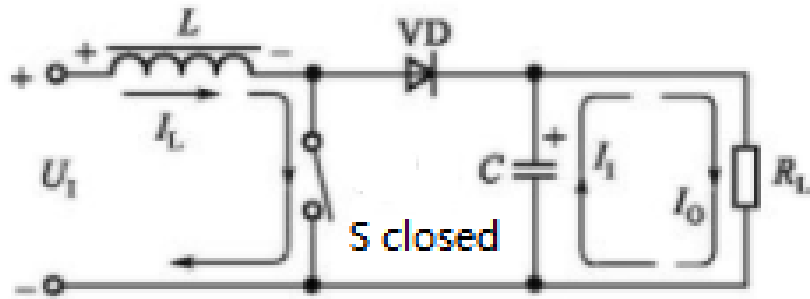
1-1: Current path when VT is on



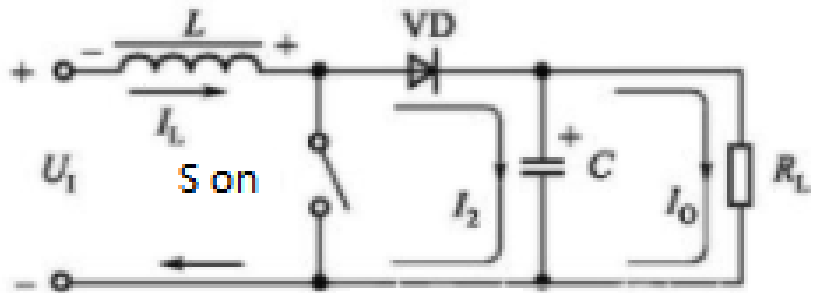
1-2: Current path when VT is off

- Steps down voltage by stepping up current
- High efficiency (>90%)
- $V_{out} = D \times V_{in}$
 - D is the duty cycle of the switch

Boost Converters



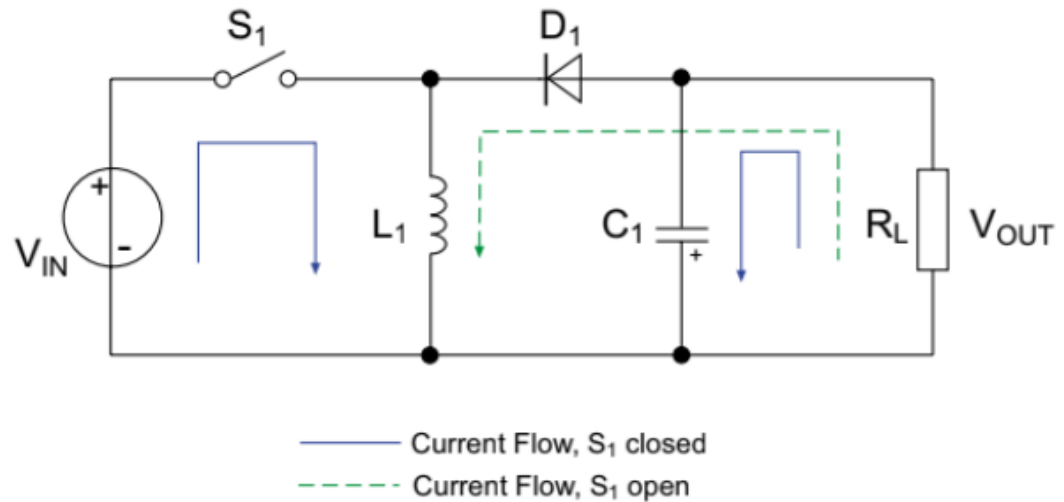
3-1: Current path when VT is on



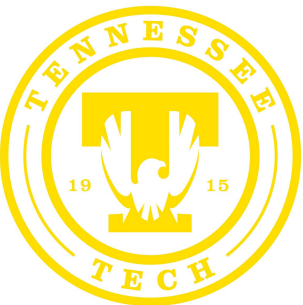
3-2: Current path when VT is off

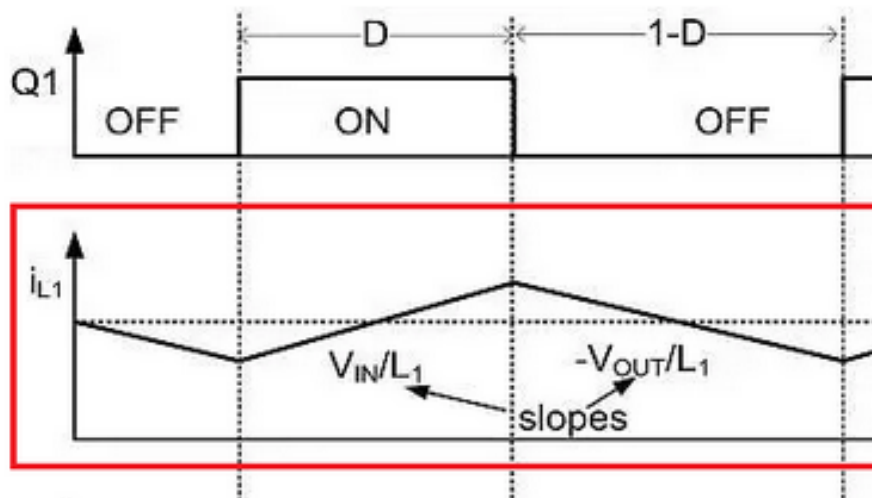
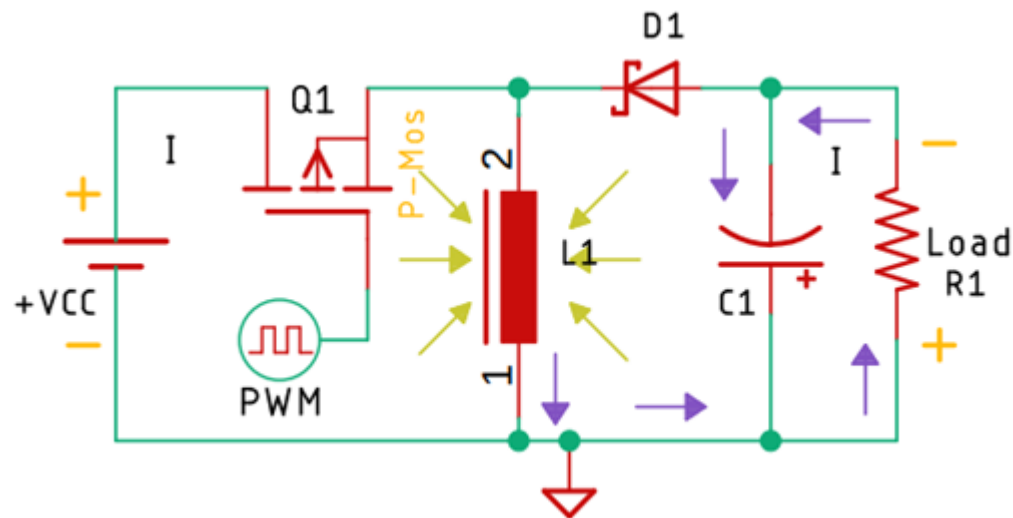
- Steps up voltage by stepping down current
- High efficiency (>90%)
- $V_{out} = \frac{V_{in}}{(1-D)}$
 - D is the duty cycle of the switch

Inverting-Buck Boost Circuit (simplified)



- Can either step up or step down voltage
- Lower efficiency (80%)
- Output voltage is inverted.
- $V_{out} = ?$





Output Voltage Derivation

- $V_{in} = L \frac{di_L}{dt}$
- Current increases when the switch is connected
- $\Delta i_{L,on} = \int_0^{DT} \frac{V_i}{L} dt = \frac{V_i DT}{L}$
- Current decreases when switch is open
- $\Delta i_{L,off} = \int_{DT}^T \frac{-V_o}{L} dt = \frac{-V_o(1-D)T}{L}$
- $\Rightarrow \Delta i_{L,on} + \Delta i_{L,off} = 0$
- $\Rightarrow \frac{V_i DT}{L} - \frac{V_o(1-D)T}{L} = 0$
- $\Rightarrow \boxed{V_o = \frac{D}{1-D} V_i}$

Examples of Buck and Boost

$$V_{in} = 5, D = 0.25$$

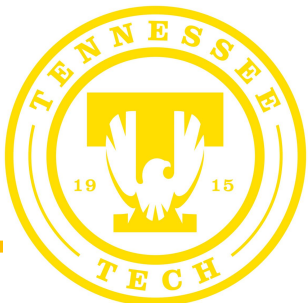
$$V_o = \frac{D}{1-D} V_i$$

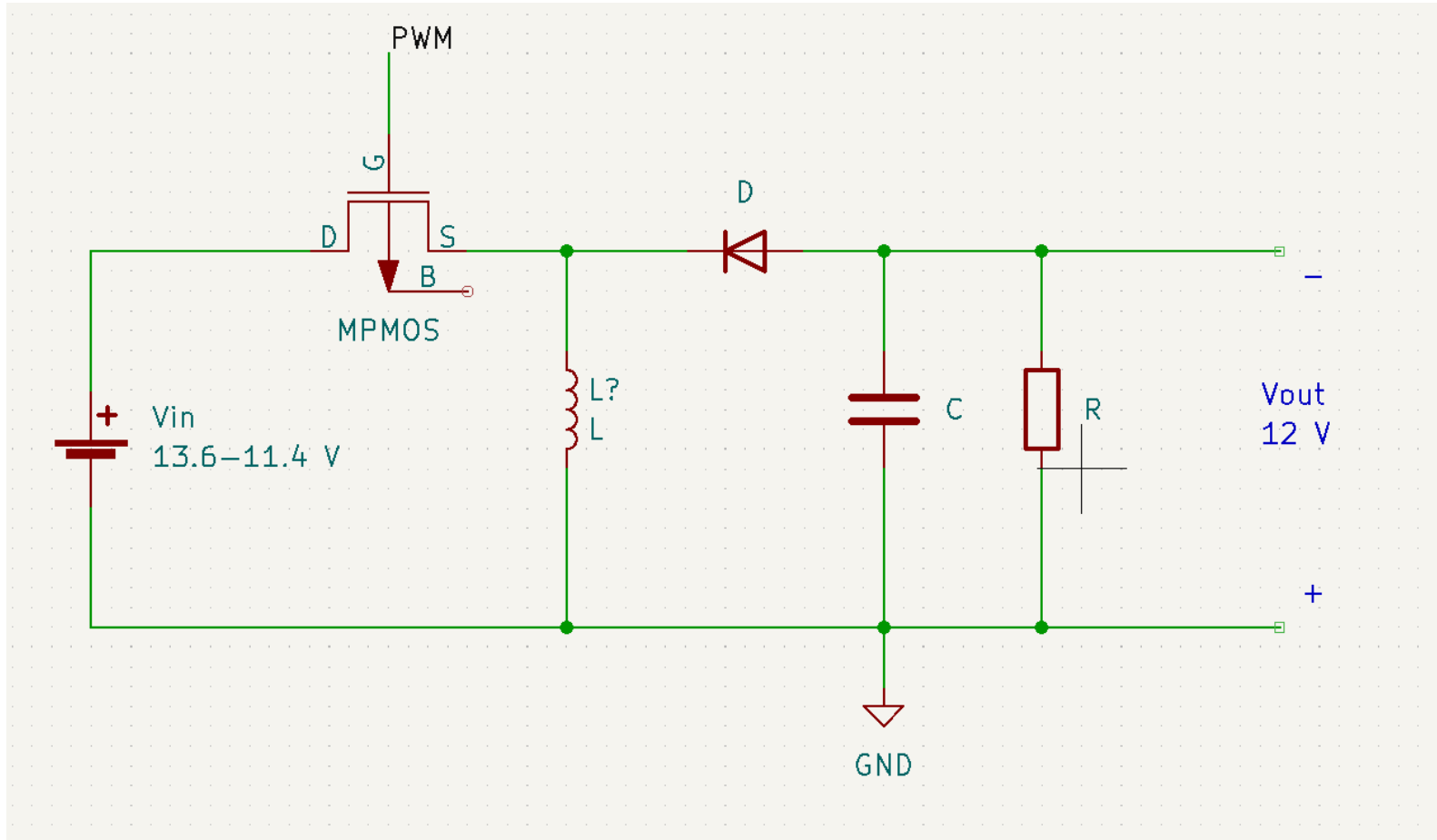
$$\Rightarrow V_o = \frac{0.25}{1-0.25} (5) = 1.67 \text{ V}$$

$$V_{in} = 5, D = 0.75$$

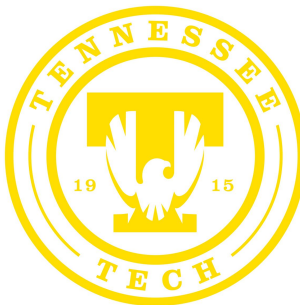
$$V_o = \frac{D}{1-D} V_i$$

$$\Rightarrow V_o = \frac{0.75}{1-0.75} (5) = 15 \text{ V}$$





Application



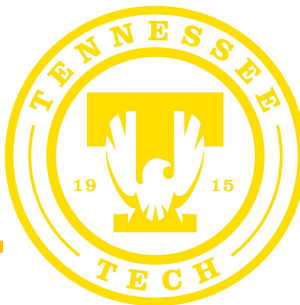
Buck-Boost over Buck/Boost

Pros

- Uses same components
- Useful when the input voltage can be above or below desired voltage

Cons

- Less efficient
- Discontinuous current output



References

- [1] "Boost converter," *Wikipedia*, 24-Mar-2023. [Online]. Available: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Boost_converter. [Accessed: 04-Apr-2023].
- [2] "Buck Converter," *Wikipedia*, 04-Mar-2023. [Online]. Available: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Buck_converter. [Accessed: 04-Apr-2023].
- [3] "Buck or boost converter which is best or most efficient," *Cell Savors*, 16-Dec-2022. [Online]. Available: <https://cellsaviors.com/blog/buck-boost-converters>. [Accessed: 04-Apr-2023].
- [4] "Buck-Boost Converter," *Wikipedia*, 11-Jan-2023. [Online]. Available: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Buck%E2%80%93boost_converter. [Accessed: 04-Apr-2023].
- [5] Cadence System Analysis, "Boost converter waveforms in a power supply," *Cadence*, 13-Oct-2022. [Online]. Available: <https://resources.system-analysis.cadence.com/blog/msa2021-boost-converter-waveforms-in-a-power-supply>. [Accessed: 04-Apr-2023].
- [6] D. Das, "High power inverting buck-boost converter circuit design with TL494 IC," *Circuit Digest - Electronics Engineering News, Latest Products, Articles and Projects*, 18-May-2022. [Online]. Available: <https://circuitdigest.com/electronic-circuits/high-power-inverting-buck-boost-converter-circuit-design-with-tl494>. [Accessed: 04-Apr-2023].
- [7] "An Introduction to Buck, Boost, and Buck/Boost Converters," *RECOM*, 30-Oct-2020. [Online]. Available: <https://recom-power.com/en/rec-n-an-introduction-to-buck-boost-and-bucklsboost-converters-131.html?0>. [Accessed: 04-Apr-2023].
- [8] "Inverting Buck-Boost Step by step design guide," *ElectronicsBeliever*, 04-May-2020. [Online]. Available: <https://electronicsbeliever.com/inverting-buck-boost-step-by-step-design-guide/>. [Accessed: 04-Apr-2023].
- [9] Kazem, "Basic theory and equations for a buck converter," *element14 Community*, 17-Dec-2021. [Online]. Available: <https://community.element14.com/technologies/power-management/b/blog/posts/how-to-choose-the-inductor-value-for-a-buck-converter>. [Accessed: 04-Apr-2023].
- [10] Utmel, "Introduction to buck, boost, and Buck-Boost Converters," *Utmel*, 28-Sep-2021. [Online]. Available: <https://www.utmel.com/blog/categories/equipment/introduction-to-buck-boost-and-buck-boost-converters>. [Accessed: 04-Apr-2023].





Questions?