

Modeling and Analysis of Single-phase Boost Converter with Power Factor Correction Control

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- AC/DC converters have been widely used in Electric Vehicles (EV).
- The power factor correction (PFC) control is widely adopted in EV charging, home appliance for power factor correction by making current align with voltage.
 - Fred Lee of Virginia Tech designed PFC [1].
- Objective: Conduct harmonic analysis for an AC/DC circuit with PFC.

[1] C. Zhou, R. B. Ridley, and F. C. Lee, "Design and analysis of a hysteretic boost power factor correction circuit," in *21st Annual IEEE Conference on Power Electronics Specialists*. IEEE, 1990, pp. 800–807.

PFC circuit and control

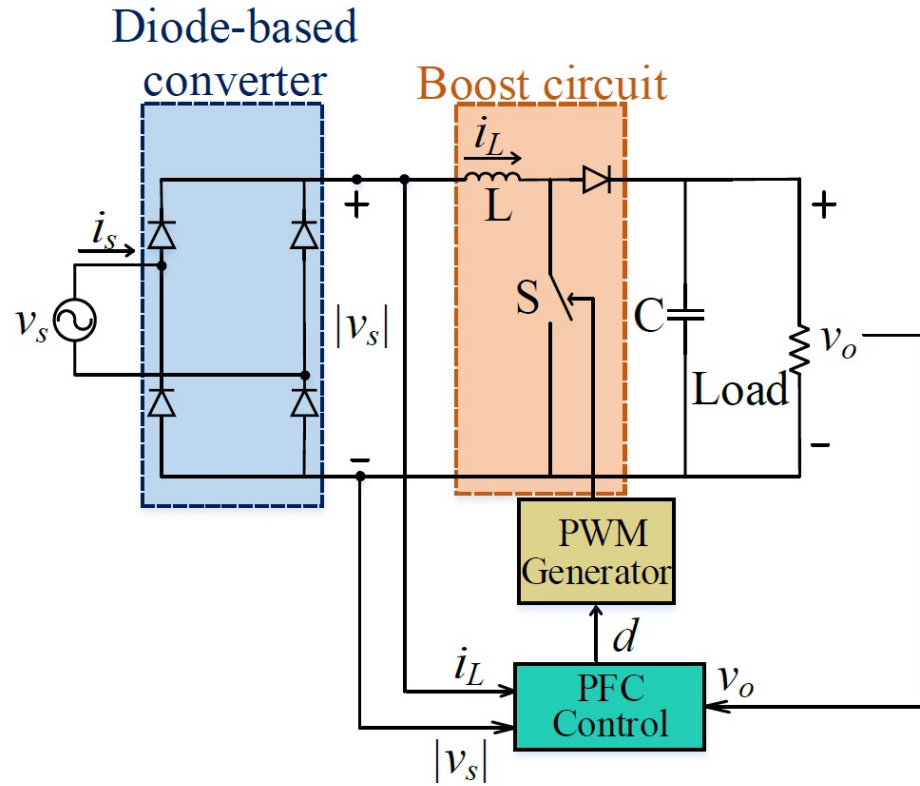


Figure 1. Single-phase converter with boost circuit.

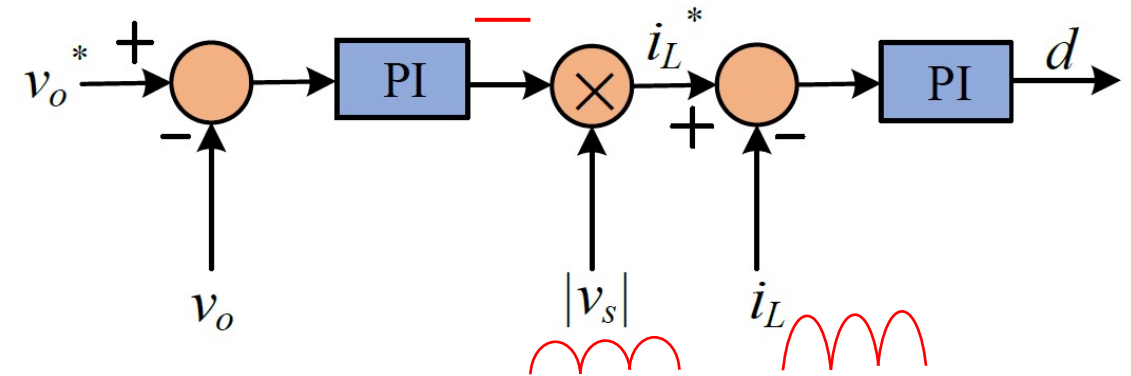


Figure 2. PFC control block.

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Detailed model

The detailed model is built in SimPowerSystems, and the solver for this model is ode4/Runge-Kutta.

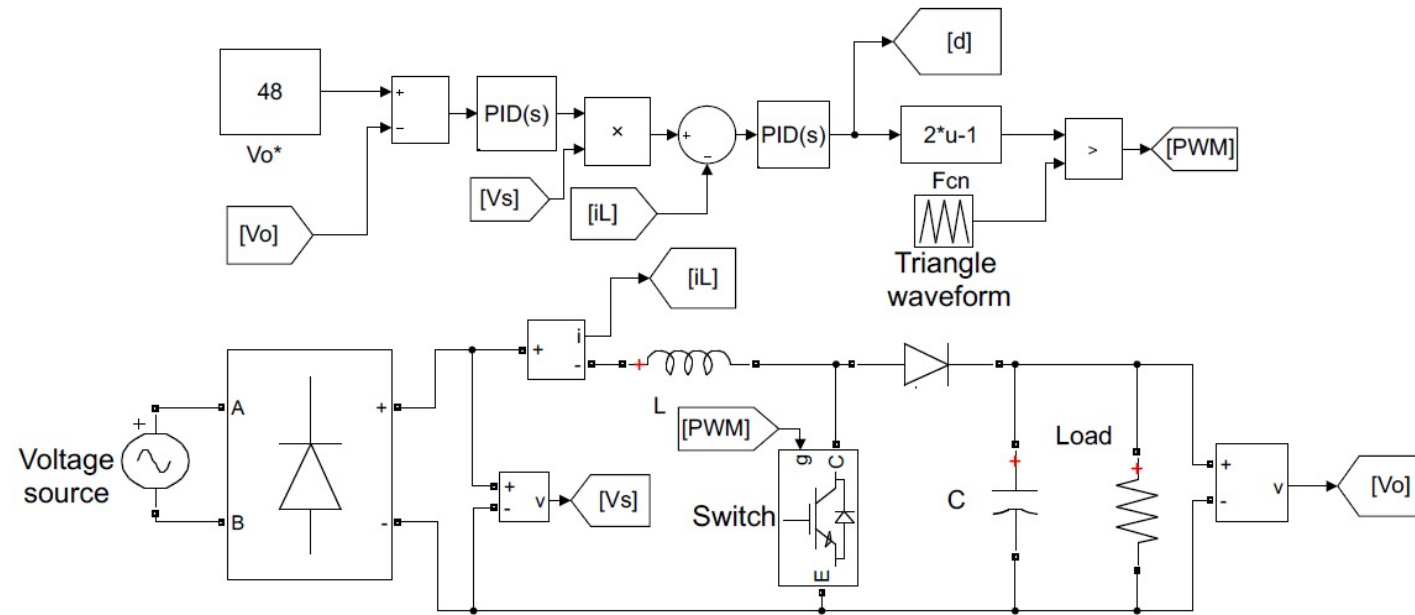


Figure 3. Detailed model

Average model

- The idea of average model is to replace switches by equivalent circuit based on the relationship of circuit's variables.
- Since the switching is replaced, there is no switching loss, and the input power is identical to output power.
- If the boost circuit is treated as a current source, the current value can be calculated as:

$$P = v_{in} i_{in} = v_{out} i_{out}$$

$$\Rightarrow i_{out} = \frac{v_{in} i_{in}}{v_{out}}.$$

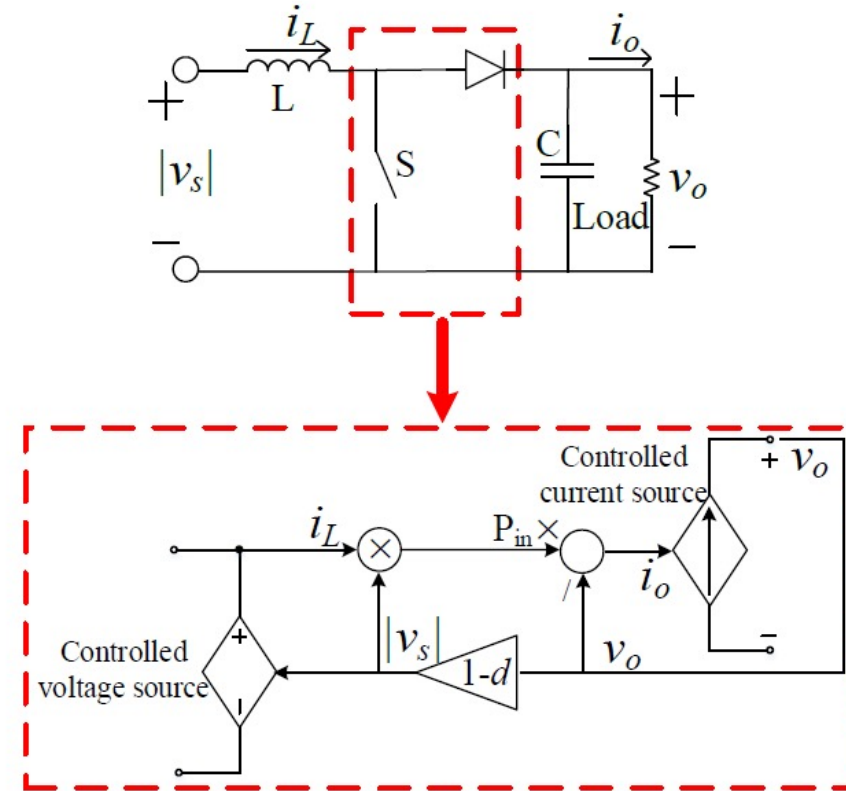


Figure 4. Average model

Mathematical model

- Mathematical model simulates the circuit by using the differential and algebraic equations of circuit variables.
- Assuming switches are ideal and a large capacitor C ensures the output voltage be a constant, then:

$$L \frac{di_L}{dt} = v_{in} - (1 - d)v_o$$

$$C \frac{dv_o}{dt} = (1 - d)i_L - \frac{v_o}{R}$$

where i_L and v_o are state variables x_1 and x_2 , respectively.

So $\dot{x} = [\frac{di_L}{dt}; \frac{dv_o}{dt}]$, input u is duty ratio d .

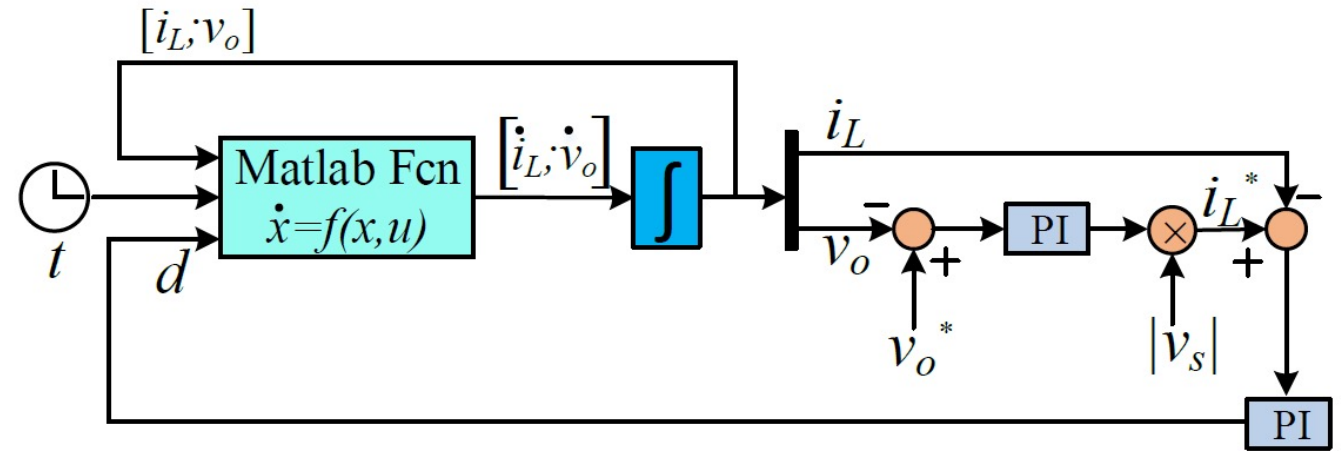


Figure 5. Mathematical model.

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Input voltage

In single-phase converter, the rectified voltage can be presented as:

$$|v_s(t)| = \hat{V}_s |\sin(\omega t)|$$

The Fourier series of the $|V_s(t)|$ is calculated as:

$$|v_s(t)| = \frac{2}{\pi} \hat{V}_s - \frac{\hat{V}_s}{\pi} \frac{4}{n^2 - 1} \cos(n\omega t) \quad n = 2, 4, 6, \dots$$

If we only consider the fundamental (dc value) and second harmonic component:

$$\begin{aligned} |v_s(t)| &= \underbrace{\hat{V}_s \times \frac{2}{\pi}}_{V_{DC}} - \underbrace{\hat{V}_s \times \frac{4}{3\pi}}_{\hat{V}_2} \cos 2\omega t \\ &= 21.61 - 14.4 \cos(2\omega t). \end{aligned}$$

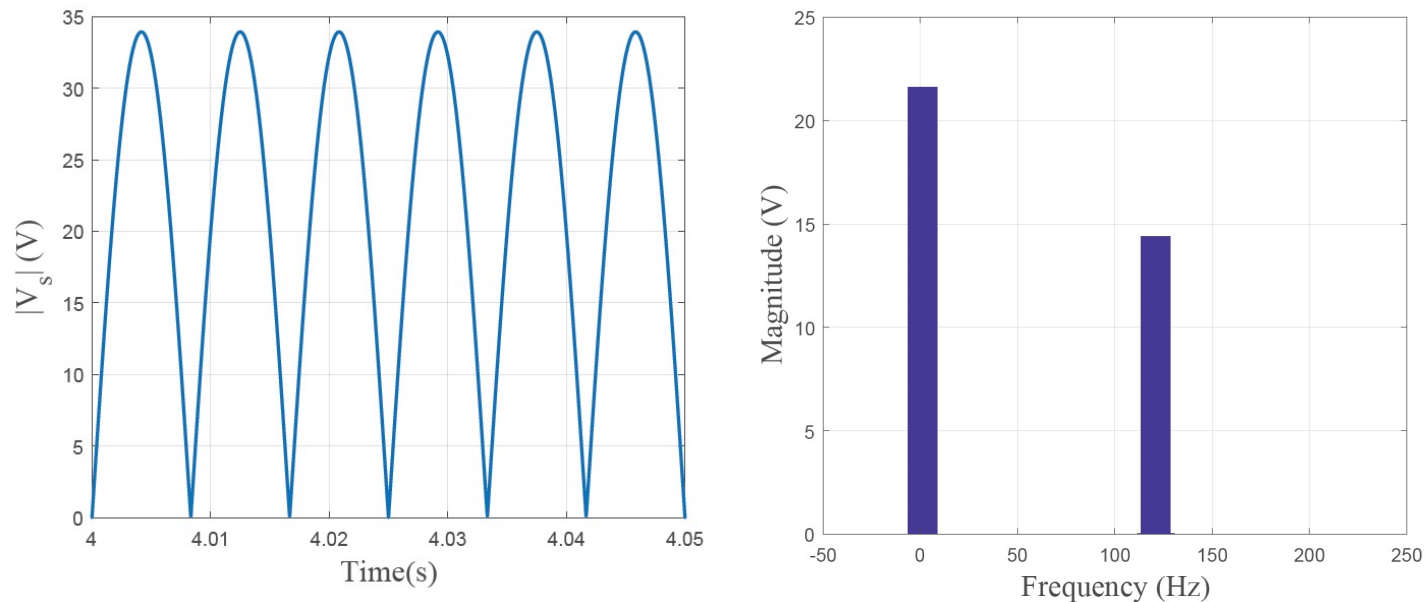


Figure 6. $|V_s|$ and its FFT analysis.

System with PFC

- The input voltage and current are regulated to be in same phase
- Both of them are composed of a dc and a second harmonic component
- The total power of the circuit transferred is their sum.

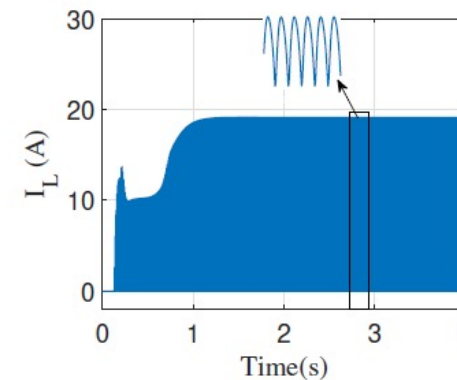
$$P_{DC} = \frac{4}{\pi^2} \hat{V}_s \hat{I}_L$$
$$P_2 = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{4}{3\pi} \right)^2 \hat{V}_s \hat{I}_L$$
$$P = P_{DC} + P_2.$$

- The power from dc component is accounted as 81.43% of the total power, so the rest of 18.57% is generated from the second harmonic component.

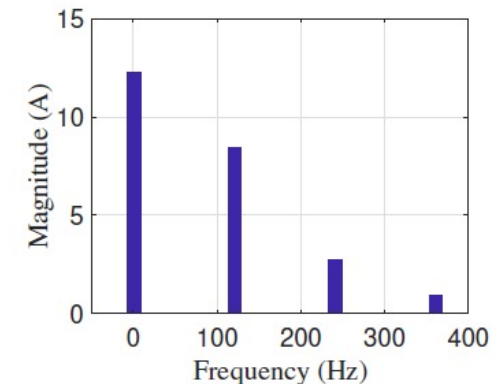
$$I_{DC} = \frac{81.43\% \times P}{\frac{2}{\pi} \hat{V}_s} = \frac{81.43\% \times 329.15}{\frac{2}{\pi} \times 24\sqrt{2}} = 12.4 \text{ A}.$$

- And the current in second harmonic component is:

$$\hat{I}_2 = \frac{\pi}{2} \times I_{DC} \times \frac{4}{3\pi} = 8.27 \text{ A}$$



(a) Inductor current waveform



(b) FFT analysis of inductor current

Figure 9. Inductor waveform with PFC control and its FFT analysis.

$$\begin{aligned}
 V_{s1} &= V_{DC} \\
 \bar{V}_{s2} &= V_2 - j2\omega LI_2 \\
 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{\hat{V}_2^2 + (2\omega L\hat{I}_2)^2} \angle \theta
 \end{aligned}$$

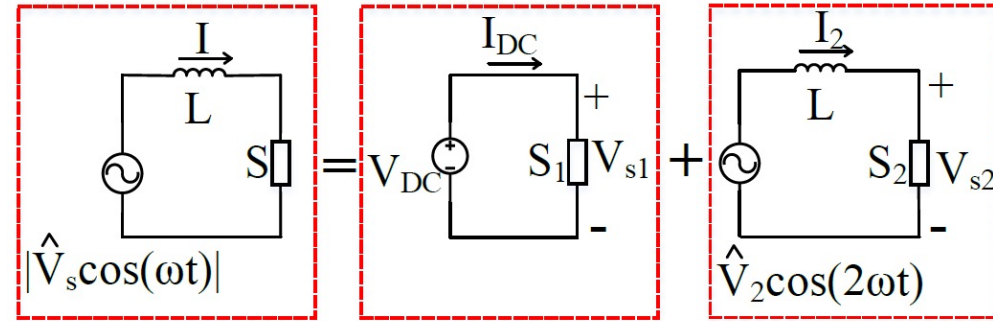
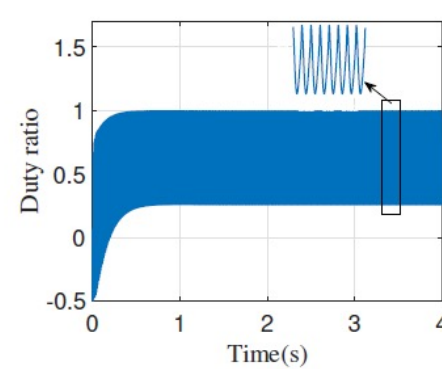
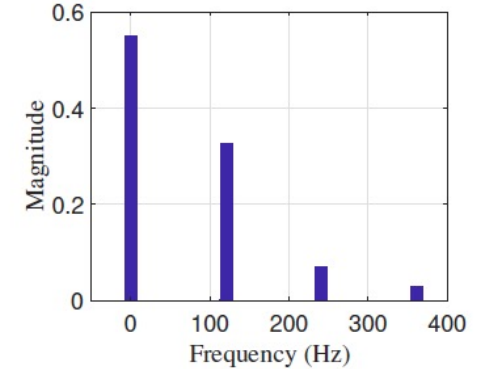


Figure. 10 The boost equivalent circuit.

$$\begin{aligned}
 1 - d &= \frac{V_{s1} + \bar{V}_{s2}}{V_o} \\
 \Rightarrow d &= \left(1 - \frac{V_{DC}}{V_o}\right) - \frac{\sqrt{\hat{V}_2^2 + (2\omega L\hat{I}_2)^2}}{V_o} \cos(2\omega t - \theta) \\
 &= 0.55 - 0.33 \cos(2\omega t - 23.4^\circ).
 \end{aligned}$$



(a) Duty ratio waveform



(b) FFT analysis of duty ratio

Figure 11. Duty ratio waveform with PFC control and its FFT analysis.

Comparison

- This figure compares the input voltage and current waveform with and without PFC control.
- The voltage and current almost are in synchronization under the PFC control, which ensures unity power factor and high efficiency.
- The current is discontinuous and has a phase shift with voltage if there is no the PFC control.

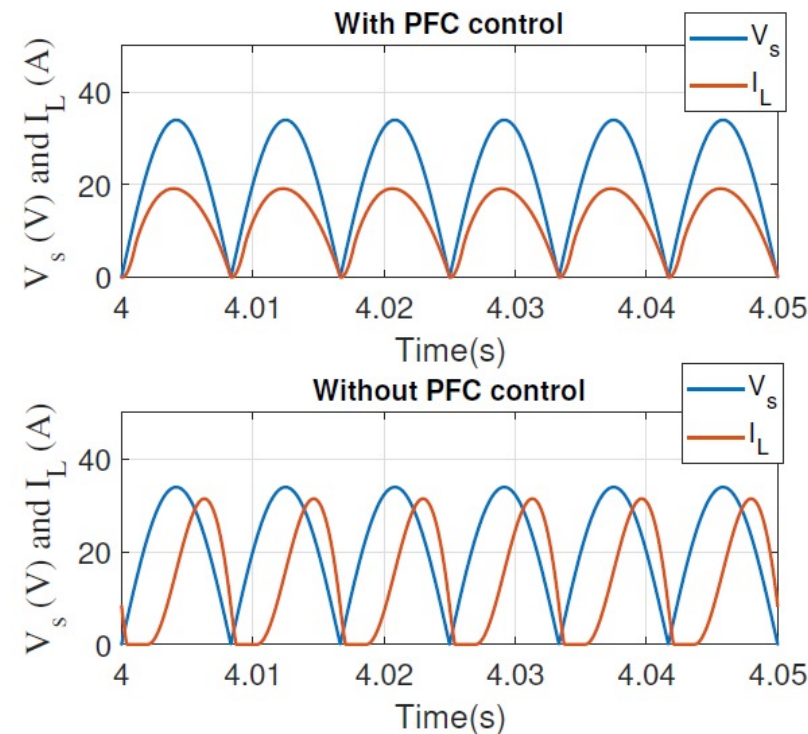


Figure 12. Inductor current and rectified voltage with and without PFC.

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The three models are compared for the inductor current, duty ratio and simulation time.

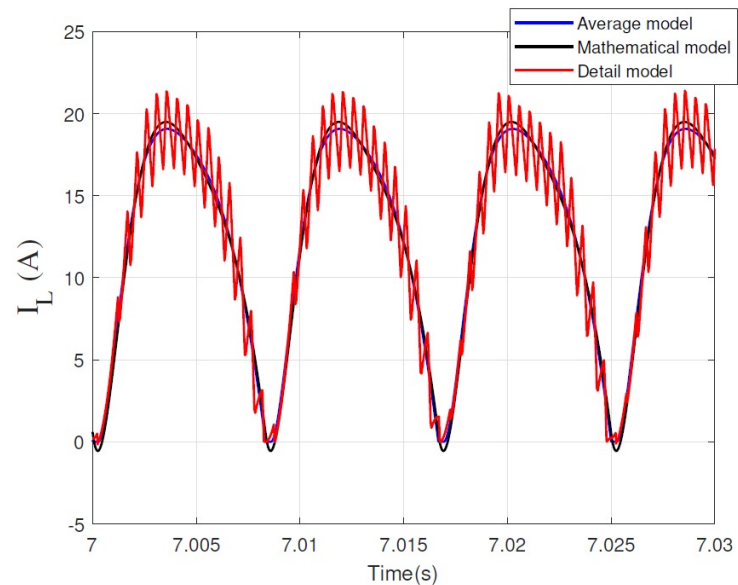


Figure 13. The comparison of inductor current I_L .

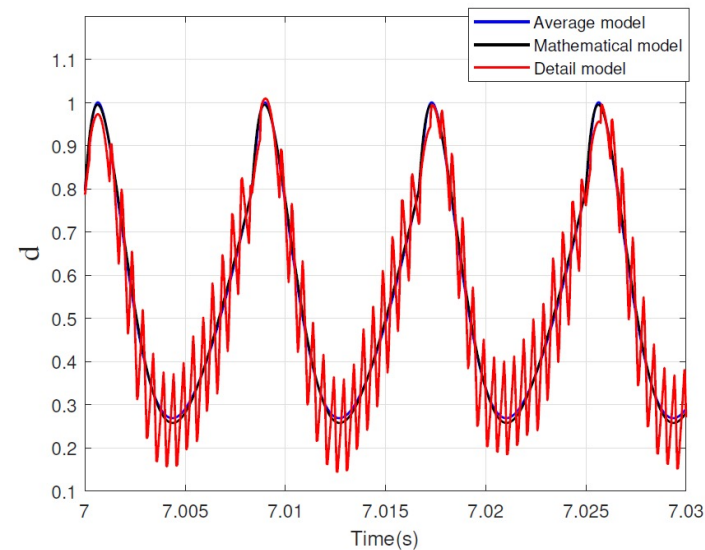


Figure 14. The comparison of duty ratio d .

TABLE I: Comparison of execution time

Time to be simulated	Average model	Detail model	Mathematical model
2 sec	21 sec	17 sec	7 sec
8 sec	1 min 2 sec	57 sec	21 sec
30 sec	5 min 33 sec	4 min 22 sec	1 min 23 sec

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- Results show that the power factor of the system with PFC control is greatly improved.
- Harmonic analysis is also implemented for line current and duty ratio of the boost circuit and is validated by simulation results.
- Mathematical model is the most efficient.
- Average has the lowest simulation speed.
- Detailed model shows the highest harmonics.

Thank you!