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DC-DC Buck Converter - DC-DC Boost Converter

Buck Converter:

- $V_o = D V_m$
- $\Delta I_L = V_o (1-D) T$
- $L_{min} = \frac{(1-D)R}{2f}$
- $I_L = I_o = \frac{V_o}{R}$
- $T = \frac{1}{f}$
- $C = \frac{(1-D)}{\left(\frac{\Delta V_o}{V_o}\right) * 8 * L * f^2}$

Boost Converter:

- $V_o = \frac{V_{in}}{1-D}$
- $\Delta I_L = \frac{V_{in} * DT}{L}; L = \frac{V_{in} * DT}{\Delta I_L} = \frac{V_{in} * D}{f * \Delta I_L}$
- $L_{min} = \frac{D * (1-D)^2 * R}{2 * f}$
- $V_{in} * I_L = V_o * I_o$
- $I_{Diode} = I_o = \frac{V_o}{R}$
- $I_{switch} = I_L * D$
- $C = \frac{I_o * DT}{\Delta V_o} = \frac{D}{R * \left(\frac{\Delta V_o}{V_o}\right) * f}$
- $\eta = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{r_L}{R}}$
- $\eta = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{r_L}{R(1-D)^2}}$

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DC - DC Buck-Boost Converter Summary

$V_o = \frac{D}{1-D} V_{in}$

$\Delta I_L = \frac{V_{in} * DT}{L}; L = \frac{V_{in} * DT}{\Delta I_L} = \frac{V_{in} * D}{f * \Delta I_L}$

$L_{min} = \frac{R * (1-D)^2}{2 * f}$

$C = \frac{I_o * DT}{\Delta V_o} = \frac{D}{R * \left(\frac{\Delta V_o}{V_o}\right) * f}$

Follow the same procedure as detailed in buck & boost converter analysis to show the following

$V_{in} * I_{in} = V_o * I_o$

$I_{in} = \frac{V_o}{V_{in}} I_o = \frac{D}{1-D} I_o$

$I_L = I_{in} + I_o$

$I_L = I_{in} + I_o = \frac{1}{1-D} I_o = \frac{1}{1-D} \frac{V_o}{R}$

$I_{Diode} = I_o = \frac{V_o}{R}$

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DC - DC Converters - Discontinuous Conduction

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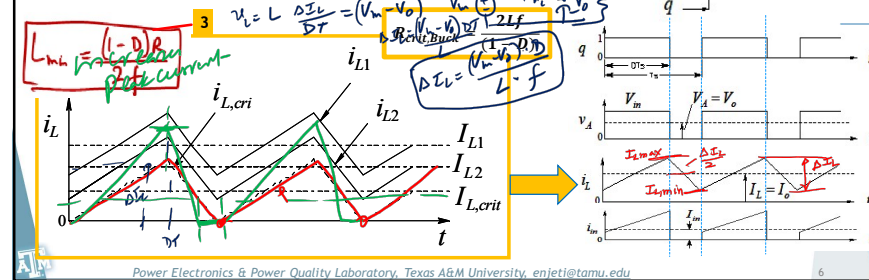
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Border of CCM and DCM:

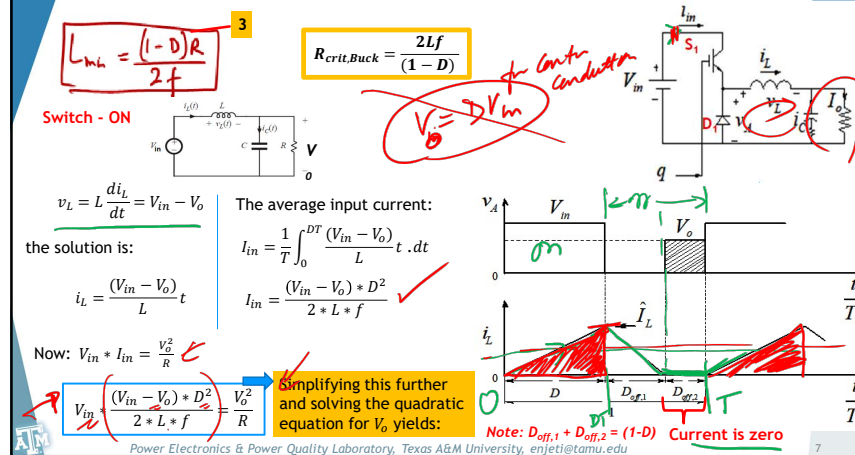
- As we decrease the inductance L or the output load decreased (i.e. R increased the inductor current starts to shift downwards and hits the critical boundary.
- Any further decrease in load for a low value of L we enter into discontinuous conduction.



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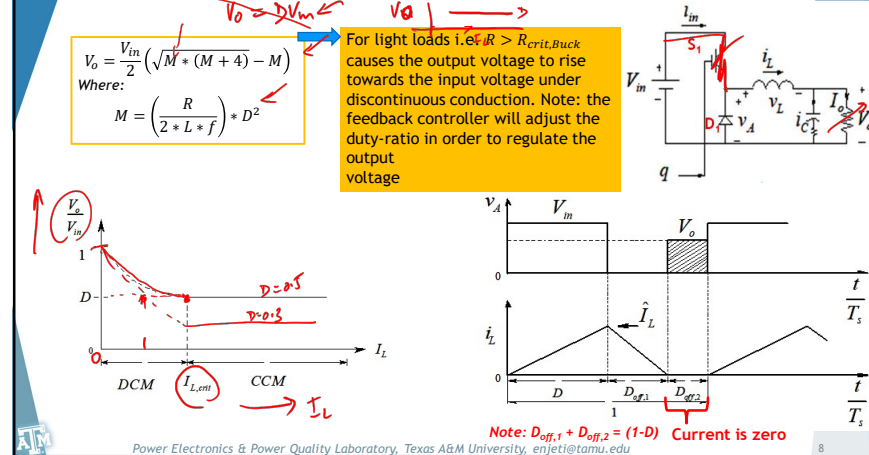
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DC - DC Converters - Discontinuous Conduction Buck Converter

Input voltage $V_{in} = 36V$
 Output voltage $V_o = 3.3V$; voltage ripple not to exceed 2%
 Output power $P_o = 5 \text{ watts}$
 Switching Frequency $f = 300\text{kHz}$

Design the buck converter in discontinuous mode to have small inductance value, hence the size.

Design at the boundary

$$L_{min} = \frac{(1-D)R}{2f} = \frac{(1-0.0917) \cdot 2.2}{2 \cdot 300\text{kHz}} = 3.33 \mu\text{H}$$

$$R = \frac{V_o^2}{P_o} = \frac{3.3 \cdot 3.3}{5} = 2.2 \text{ ohms}$$

$$D = \frac{V_o}{V_{in}} = \frac{3.3}{36} = 0.0917$$

$$I_{L,avg} = \frac{V_o}{2.2} = 1.5 \text{ A}$$

$$\Delta I_L = V_o (1-D) T = 0.27$$

$$I_{L,max} = I_L + \frac{\Delta I_L}{2} = 1.635 \text{ A}$$

$$\frac{I_{L,max}}{I_{L,avg}} = \frac{1.635}{1.5} = 1.09$$

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 Switching Frequency $f = 300\text{kHz}$

Design the buck converter in discontinuous mode to have small inductance value, hence the size.

Let us choose the inductance $L = 0.5 \cdot L_{min}$

$$L_{min} = \frac{(1-D)R}{2f} = \frac{(1-0.0917) \cdot 2.2}{2 \cdot 300\text{kHz}} = 3.33 \mu\text{H}$$

$$L = 1.7 \mu\text{H}$$

This design has a small inductor that can be integrated into a chip

Calculate $I_{L,peak}$ and $\frac{I_{L,peak}}{I_{L,avg}}$

$$I_{L,peak} = \frac{V_{in} \cdot D}{L \cdot f} = \frac{36 \cdot 0.0917}{1.7 \cdot 300\text{kHz}} = 4.62 \text{ A}$$

$$\frac{I_{L,peak}}{I_{L,avg}} = \frac{4.62}{1.5} = 3.08$$

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 Switching Frequency $f = 300\text{kHz}$

Design the buck converter in discontinuous mode to have small inductance value, hence the size.

Repeat this by choosing $L = 0.25 \cdot L_{min}$

$$L_{min} = \frac{(1-D)R}{2f} = \frac{(1-0.0917) \cdot 2.2}{2 \cdot 300\text{kHz}} = 3.33 \mu\text{H}$$

$$L = 0.83 \mu\text{H}$$

This design has a small inductor that can be integrated into a chip

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Design the buck converter in discontinuous mode to have small inductance value, hence the size.

Let us choose the inductance $L = 0.25 \cdot L_{min}$

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This design has a small inductor that can be integrated into a chip

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DC - DC Converters - Discontinuous Conduction **Boost Converter**

Input voltage $V_{in} = 4.2V$
 Output voltage $V_o = 8V$, voltage ripple not to exceed 2%
 Output current $I_o = 1A$
 Switching frequency $f = 200kHz$
 Inductor $L = 15 \mu H$

a) Is the converter operating in continuous conduction mode?
 b) At what output power does discontinuous conduction begins to occur (i.e. the boundary)
 c) Find the required D to regulate the output voltage at 8V when P_o drops to 1 watt

$P_o = 8W$ (8x1)
 $\frac{V_o}{V_{in}} = \frac{8}{4.2} = \frac{1}{1-D} \Rightarrow D = 0.475$
 $P_o = 1.4W$ (1.4x1)
 $R_{crit} = \frac{2 \cdot f \cdot L}{D \cdot (1-D)^2} = 45.8 \text{ ohms}$
 $R = \frac{V_o^2}{P_o} = 64 \text{ ohms}$
 $R = 8 \text{ ohms} < 45.8 \text{ ohms}$ Therefore Continuous conduction

b) At what output power does discontinuous conduction begins to occur (i.e. the boundary)
 Therefore $P_o = \frac{V_o^2}{R_{crit}} = 1.4 \text{ watts}$
 for $P = 1 \text{ watt}$ D in CCM
 Therefore $P_o = 1.4 \text{ W to } 8 \text{ W}$ continuous conduction will occur

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DC - DC Converters - Discontinuous Conduction **Boost Converter**

Find the required D to regulate the output voltage at 8V when P_o drops to 1 watt
 - Find the output resistance R at 1 watt

$P_o = \frac{V_o^2}{R} ; R = \frac{V_o^2}{P_o} = 64 \text{ ohms}$

FIGURE 3.26 Boost converter in DCM.

$V_o = \frac{V_{in}}{2} (1 + \sqrt{1 + 4M})$ in DCM (3.53a) $\Rightarrow M = 1.723$
 $M = \left(\frac{R}{2Lf_s} \right) D^2$ (3.53b) $\Rightarrow D = 0.4$

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DC - DC Converters - Discontinuous Conduction **Buck-Boost Converter**

$\frac{V_o}{V_{in}} = \frac{D}{1-D}$ for Continuous

$V_o = DV_{in} \sqrt{\frac{R}{2Lf_s}}$ in DCM (3.57)
 $\frac{V_o}{V_{in}} = D \sqrt{\frac{R}{2Lf_s}} \Rightarrow f(D, R, L, f_s)$

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Regulation of DC-DC Converter by Pulse width Modulation (PWM)

$V_{in} = 4.2V$
 $V_o = 8V$
 $V_{ref} = 3.3V$

Block diagram showing the control loop: $V_{in} \rightarrow$ dc-dc converter topology $\rightarrow V_o$. Feedback: $V_o \rightarrow$ controller \rightarrow PWM-IC \rightarrow Pulse Width Modulation \rightarrow Power Stage and Load $\rightarrow V_o$. Reference: $V_{ref} \rightarrow$ controller.

Waveforms (a) and (b) show the duty cycle $d(t) = \frac{v_c(t)}{\hat{V}_r}$ and the output voltage $v_o(t)$.

Handwritten notes: $V_{in} = 4.2V$, $V_o = 8V$, $V_{ref} = 3.3V$, $D = 0.4$, $R = 64 \text{ ohms}$, $f_s = 200kHz$, $L = 15 \mu H$.

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