

#### NPTEL ONLINE CERTIFICATION COURSES

# DIGITAL CONTROL IN SMPCs AND FPGA-BASED PROTOTYPING

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Module 01: Introduction to Digital Control in SMPCs

Lecture 01: Digital Control in Switched Mode Power Converters - Course Introduction





#### **CONCEPTS COVERED**

- Examples of digital control applications in Power Electronics industries
- Why growing digital control trends in Power Electronics industries?
- Challenges in commercial digital control product development
- Need for architecture exploration and skilled manpower development
- Objectives and overview of the course introduction

## Digital Control Trends in Power Electronics Industries – Examples



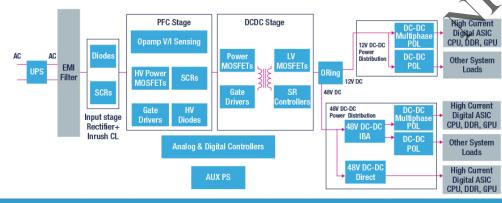
Renesas digital power for data center



TI digital power solution



Infineon digital power for LED



STMicroelectronics digital power solutions for servers





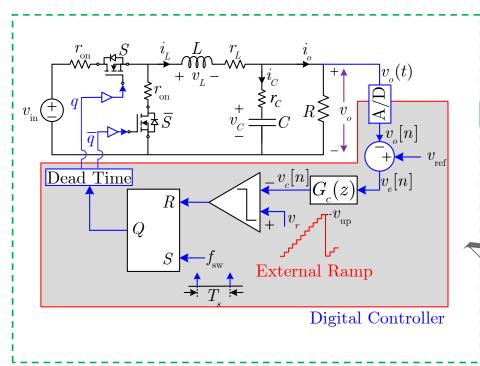
## Why Growing Emphasis on Digital Control?

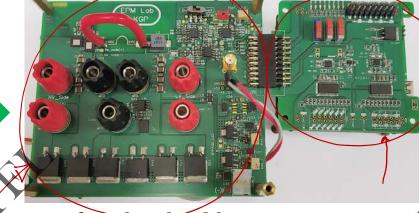
- ☐ Flexibility, portability, reconfigurability varying topologies, process technology, etc.
- ☐ Digital communication & control reliable, fault tolerant, smart power supply network
- ☐ Hardware/software/firmware integration optimized solutions, third-party interface
- ☐ Higher efficiency, lower component count, advanced control for faster transient
- □ Digital PMIC, digital control IC, digital control plug-and-play modules
- □ Rapid prototyping shorter technology & product development time





# Example of Digital Control in a DC-DC Buck Converter





Complete closed-loop test set-up for this online course





## Challenges in Digital Control Commercial Products?

- □ Cost ADC/DAC (bit size, conversion time), digital controller computation time
- Level of digitization housekeeping to mixed-signal to fully digital solutions
- Architecture modulation techniques, sampling methods, implementation platforms
- ☐ Power consumption loop delay (sampling rate), voltage regulation (bit size)
- ☐ Modeling, analysis and design methodology stability and performance
- ☐ Mixed domain IP development FPGA prototyping to ASIC products



# Why is this Course?

- ☐ To familiarize digital control architectures with resource constraints, analysis/design tools
- □ To introduce Verilog HDL coding, fixed-point implementation and FPGA prototyping
- ☐ To demonstrate power converter hardware prototypes using Xilinx FPGA along with
  - STM32 (from ST Microelectronics) and C2000 (from TI) microcontrollers
- ☐ To present MATLAB customized model development & design validation
- ☐ To develop skilled manpower and to enable indigenous IP development



# Summary of this 12-week Course

- ☐ Level of digitization in closed-loop switch mode power converters
- Modulation and sampling methods in fixed frequency digital control
- ☐ Modulation and sampling methods in variable frequency digital control
- ☐ Custom model development using MATLAB Simulink for various architectures
- □ Overview of modeling techniques with their complexity and accuracy
- ☐ Modeling of closed-loop digital control and steps for model validation



### Summary of this 12-week Course

- ☐ Design of fixed frequency digital voltage mode and current mode control
- ☐ Introduction to Verilog HDL and fixed-point implementation
- ☐ Verilog HDL-based digital control implementation and FPGA prototyping
- ☐ Reference design and hardware implementation with case studies
- ☐ Hardware demos using FPGA devise, STM32 and C2000 microcontrollers
- ☐ Multimode digital control with opportunities and future challenges



