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A New Analysis and Design Method of a PI-Like Fuzzy Logic Controller Used in Power Converters

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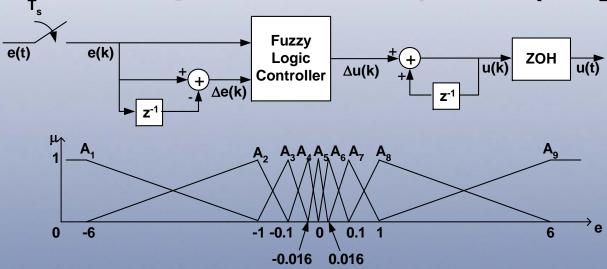
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Fuzzy Logic Control



Fuzzification process for inputs:

- Inputs are: error e[k] and change in error ∆e[k]
- Membership functions, μ to A_1 , A_2 , etc



Defuzzification for the outputs:

 $-\Delta u[k]$

Advantages of Fuzzy Logic



- 1. Reduced development costs
- 2. Good performance
- 3. Digital implementation
- 4. Ability to deal with complexity, nonlinearity, and imprecise systems

Disadvantages of Fuzzy Logic



- Controllers traditionally designed by trial and error
- 2. Difficult to get stability and performance analysis
- 3. Difficult to get transfer functions and small signal analysis



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Proposed Idea



Use linear control techniques and small signal models for the fuzzy controller design!

i.e. initialize the design with a traditional small signal design

Motivation



Exploit the advantages of liner control techniques:

- Stability and performance can be assessed
- Transfer function can be predetermined
- Easy to design a fuzzy logic controller with known dynamic performance

While exploiting the advantages of fuzzy logic control:

 Better large signal dynamic performance can be achieved

Controller Comparison



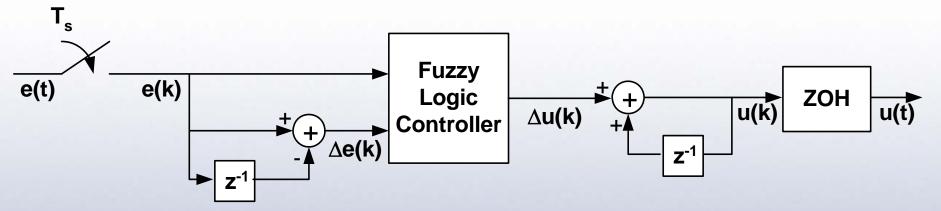


Fig. 1 Digital PI-like fuzzy logic controller

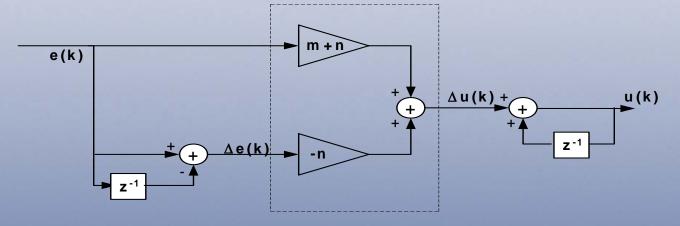


Fig. 2 Digital PI Controller

Pl chosen for simplicity – other controllers can also be used

Relationship between PI-Like FLC and linear PI Controller



The discrete form of digital PI controller:

$$\Delta u(k) = (m+n)e(k) - n \cdot \Delta e(k)$$

If a Sugeno-type Fuzzy Logic Controller is used:

The initial value of the FLC control rules is chosen as:

$$\Delta u_{A_k B_k} = e_k (m + n) + \Delta e_k (-n)$$

Equations are the same, therefore:

The FLC can be made to give the same control output as the digital PI controller!



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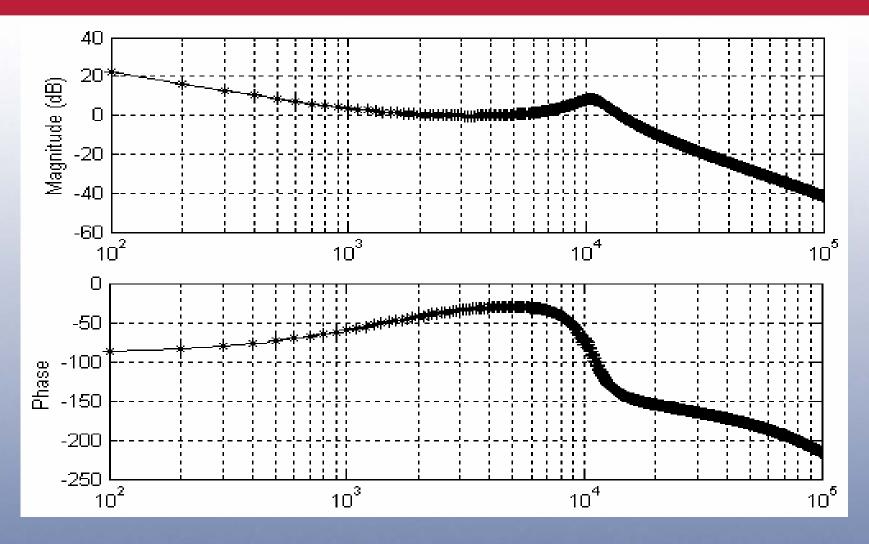
4. Simulation and Experimental Results



- FPGA was used to implement the proposed fuzzy logic control algorithm with a synchronous buck converter
- Buck Parameters:
 - Vin=5V
 - Vo=2.5V
 - load power=25 W
 - $-L=1\mu H$
 - **C=235**μ**F**
 - ESR=1m Ω
 - $-R_{I}=2m\Omega$
 - fs=400khz

Frequency Domain Analysis Simulation Results

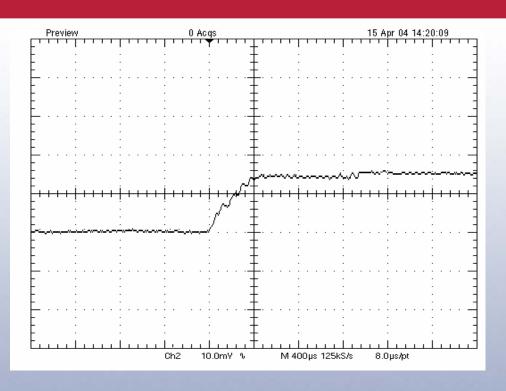


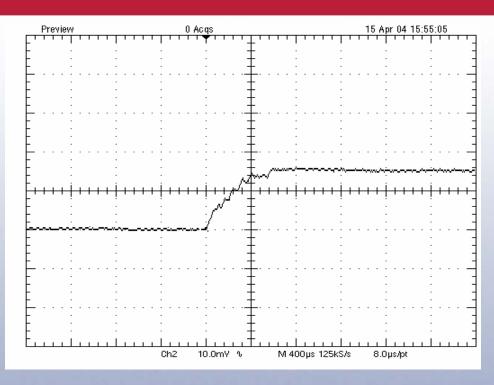


Solid Line: fuzzy logic controller, Stars: digital PI controller

Output Voltage Response to 16 mV Small Step Reference Change







(a) Digital PI controller

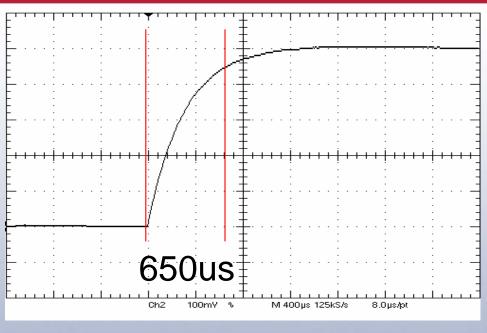
(b) Fuzzy logic controller

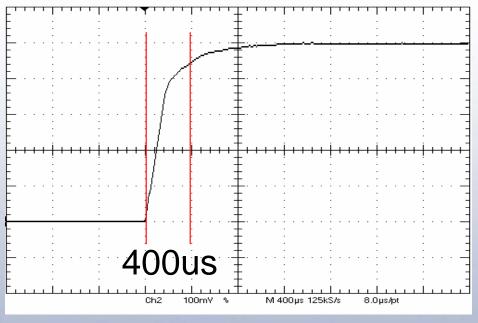
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Nearly identical small signal behaviour!

Output Voltage Response to 0.5V Large Step Reference Change







(a) Digital PI controller

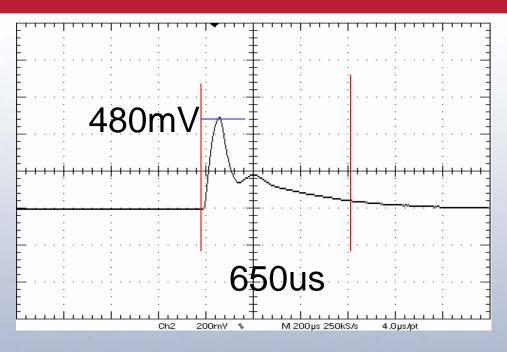
(b) Fuzzy logic controller

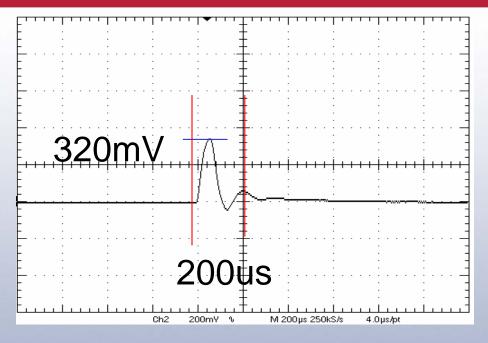
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Improved large signal behaviour with FLC

Output Voltage Response to Input Voltage Change from 5V to 6V







(a) Digital PI controller

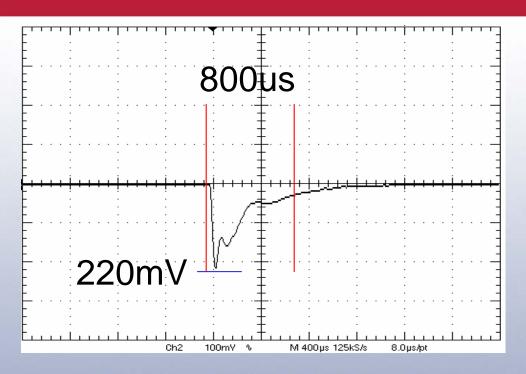
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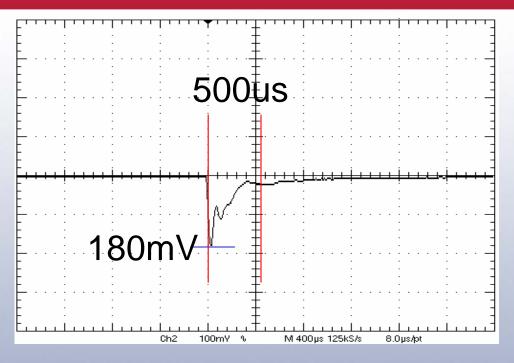
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Improved large signal behaviour with FLC

Output Voltage Response Load Step from 5A to 10A







(a) Digital PI controller

(b) Fuzzy logic controller

(X axis: 400us/div, Y axis: 100mv/div)

Improved large signal behaviour with FLC



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A method has been proposed to simplify FLC design using traditional linear controller design techniques - advantages:

- 1. The small signal model of the converter and linear control techniques are initially used
- 2. Trial and error is unnecessary
- 3. Assessment of the performance and stability of fuzzy logic controller is easy
- 4. Improved large signal performance can be achieved by applying heuristic knowledge



Thank you for attending,

Questions?