

< Switching Power Amplifier >

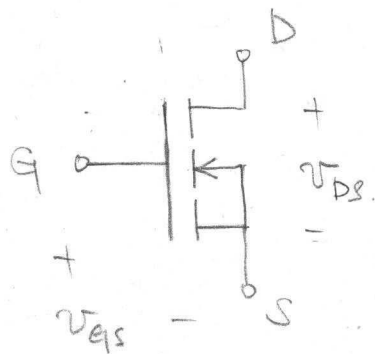
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Objectives

- MOSFET
- Half-bridge stage
- H-bridge Inverter.

Metal-Oxide-Semiconductor Field-Effect Transistor

We focus on n-channel, enhancement-mode MOSFET.



Symbol meaning

- Gate is AC coupled : $\bar{i}_G = 0$
- Arrow : p-type body \rightarrow n-channel
- Body-source short : "Body diode"
- Dotted line : enhancement-mode (normally off)
 \hookrightarrow often drawn as a solid line for brevity
depletion-mode (normally on)

Terminal variables

Voltage : V_{GS} , V_{DS}

Current : i_G , i_D , i_S ($i_G = 0$ at DC $\Rightarrow i_D = i_S$)

Terminal Relations

① Cutoff region, ($V_{GS} < V_{th}$)

$$i_D = 0$$

② Saturation region ($V_{GS} > V_{th}$, $V_{DS} > V_{GS} - V_{th}$)

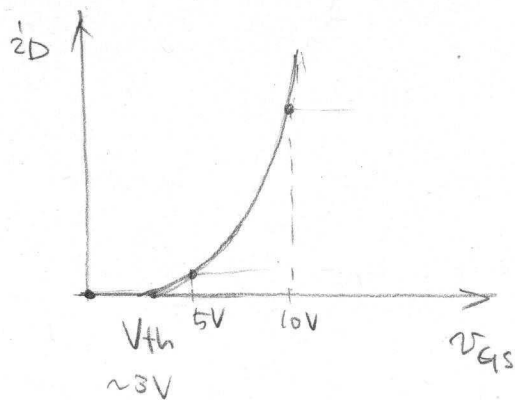
$$i_D = \frac{1}{2} K (V_{GS} - V_{th})^2 \rightarrow g_m \triangleq \frac{di_D}{dV_{GS}} = K (V_{GS} - V_{th})$$

MOSFET can be used as a VCCS

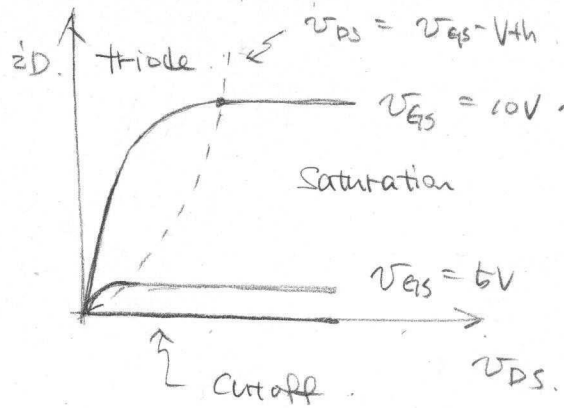
i_D is insensitive to V_{DS} in saturation region.

Similar to
Active mode in
BJT

< Input characteristics >



< Output characteristics >



③ Triode region ($V_{GS} > V_{th}$, $V_{DS} < V_{GS} - V_{th}$)

$$i_D = K \left[(V_{GS} - V_{th}) V_{DS} - \frac{1}{2} V_{DS}^2 \right]$$

$$\approx K (V_{GS} - V_{th}) V_{DS}$$

$$\approx \frac{1}{R_{DS, on}}$$

$$R_{DS, on} = \frac{1}{K (V_{GS} - V_{th})}$$

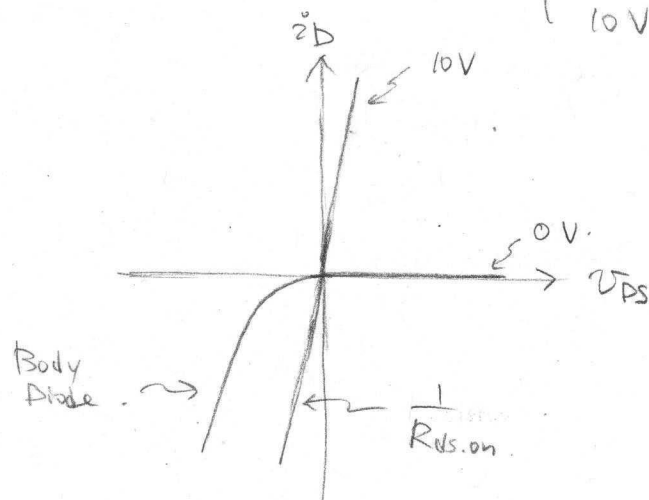
Varies with V_{GS}

• MOSFET as a "power switch".

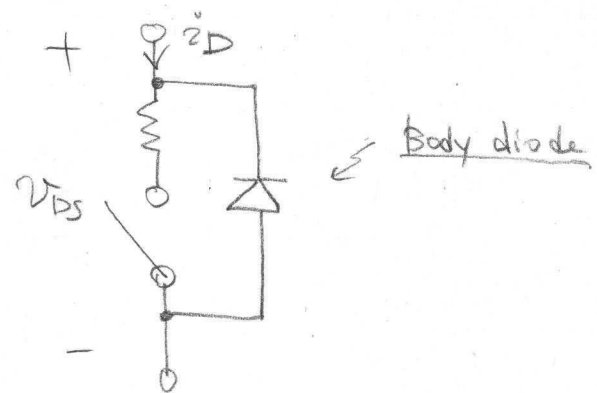
Suppose $V_{GS} = \begin{cases} 0 \\ 10V \end{cases}$

(Switch off)

(Switch on)

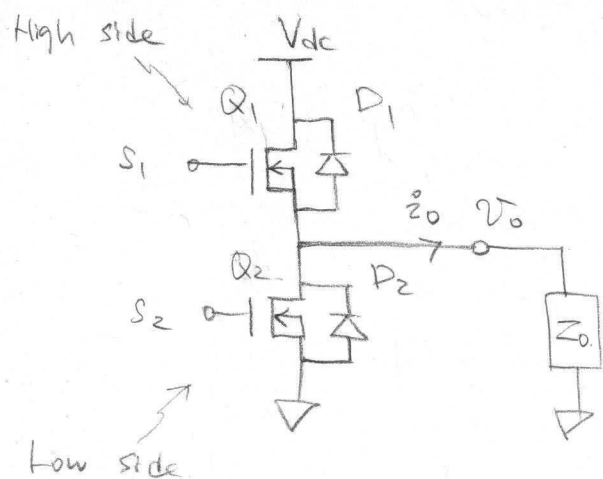


< Equivalent circuit >



- Modern MOSFETs have fast enough body diodes (fast recovery)
- Block $+V$ / Conduct $\pm i$

◦ Half-bridge stage (Totem pole circuit)



- Can make a unipolar two quadrant $(+v_o, \pm i_o)$ voltage source.
- Versatile building block for various switching power converters.
- Available as a single package with integrated gate drive.

◦ State Table

k	S_1	S_2	v_o	Conduction
0	0	0	0 / V_{dc}	$D_2 (i_o > 0) / D_1 (i_o < 0)$
1	1	0	V_{dc}	Q_1
2	0	1	0	Q_2
3	1	1	X	Shootthrough

} Lower P_{riss} than $k=1$.

• Toggle between $k=1$ and $k=2$. "Complementary switching"

• Never use $k=3$. "shootthrough"

• Insert $k=0$ between $k=1 \leftrightarrow k=2$ to avoid $k=3$. "Dead time"

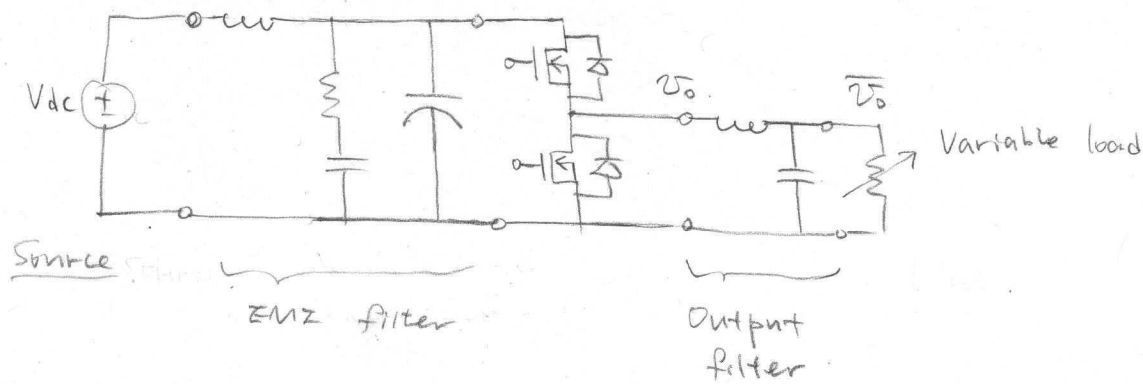
◦ State Variable

• Let us introduce a boolean variable "a" and control the two switches in a complementary manner.

$$a = S_1 = \overline{S_2} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} a=0 & : v_o = 0 \\ a=1 & : v_o = V_{dc} \end{cases}$$

↑
NOT { S_2 }

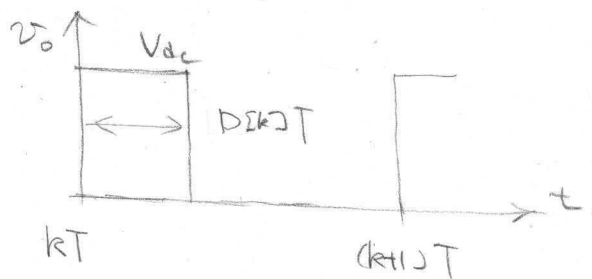
◦ Synchronous Buck Converter (dc/dc down conv.)



◦ State Table

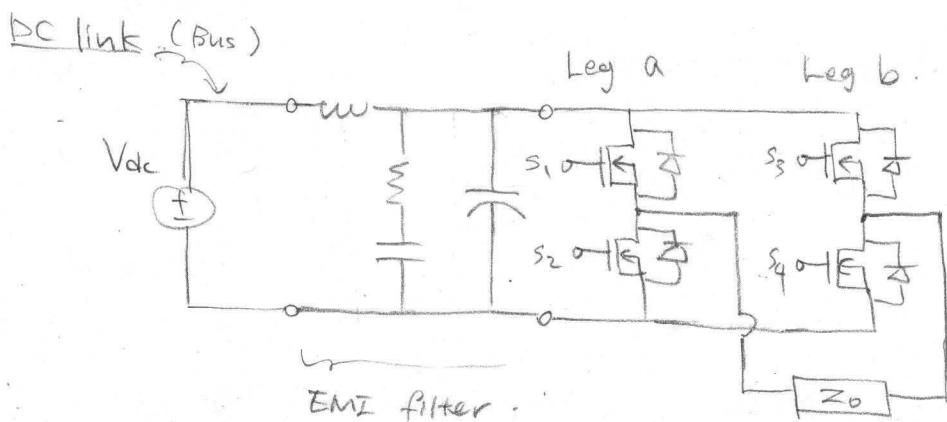
n	a	v_o
1	1	V_{dc}
2	0	0

◦ Output waveform ($n=1 \leftrightarrow n=2$)



$$\bar{v}_o[k] = \frac{1}{T} \int_{kT}^{(k+1)T} v_o(t) dt = D[k] V_{dc}$$

◦ H-bridge Inverter (dc/ac converter)



Can make bipolar four quadrant ($\pm v_o, \pm i_o$) voltage source

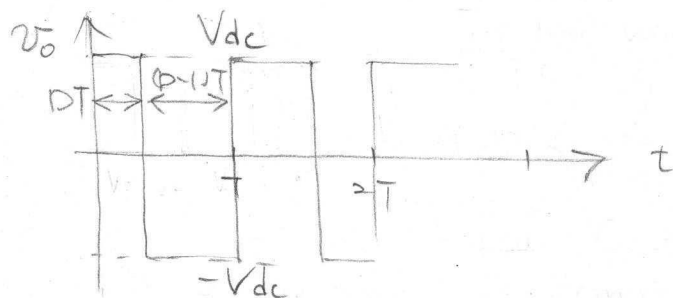
"Bridge" between legs

◦ State Table

n	a	b	v_o
0	0	0	0
1	1	0	V_{dc}
2	0	1	$-V_{dc}$
3	1	1	0

State Vector
 $V_1 = [0 \ 0]^T$

◦ Output waveform ($n=1 \leftrightarrow n=2$)



- Duty Ratio Control.

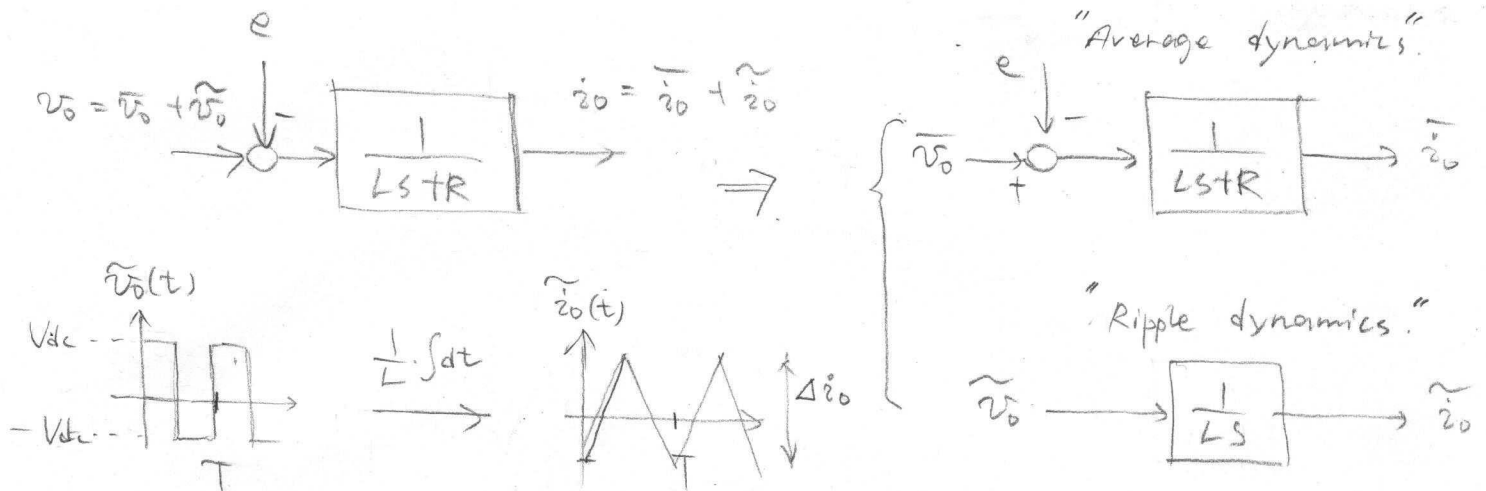
Toggle the state between $n=1$ and $n=2$. ; $D \triangleq \frac{t_1}{T}$

$$\bar{v}_o = \frac{V_{dc}}{T} (D \cdot T + (D-1)T)$$

$$= (2D-1) V_{dc}$$

Note that $\bar{v}_o = 0$ when $D = 0.5$

- Current Ripple



When $D = 0.5$ (Worst-case ripple).

$$\Delta i_o = \frac{V_{dc}}{L} \cdot DT$$

$$= \frac{V_{dc}}{2L} \cdot \frac{1}{f_s}$$

Example: $\frac{30 \text{ V}}{2 \times 1.6 \text{ mH}} \cdot \frac{1}{40 \text{ kHz}} \approx \frac{10}{40} = \underline{\underline{250 \text{ mA}}}$

Current ripple causes { torque ripples \rightarrow vibration
core losses (Hysteresis, eddy-current)

Remedy - Insert series inductors (cost: current slew rate \downarrow)
- Increases the switching frequency (cost: switching loss \uparrow)