

Buck Converter Design Report

This report outlines the design and analysis of a non-isolated buck converter that steps down an input voltage of 24V (with a 2% tolerance) to a 5V output. The design operates with a switching frequency of 43 kHz and aims to achieve an efficiency of at least 90%.

The schematic consists of the following key components-

1. Q2 (IRFZ44N): The switching MOSFET driven by a 43 kHz clock signal.
2. L1 (100 μ H): The inductor that smooths the current to the load.
3. D3 (RBRSLAM60A): A Schottky diode that ensures current flow when the MOSFET is off.
4. C1 (22 μ F): The input capacitor stabilizing the input voltage.
5. C3 (150 μ F): The output capacitor that smooths the output voltage.
6. R4 (RL): The load resistor representing the output load.

Formulae Used-

$$\text{Maximum Duty Cycle: } D = \frac{V_{OUT}}{V_{IN(max)} \times \eta}$$

$$V_{OUT(ESR)} = ESR * \Delta I_L$$

Buck Converter Design Specifications-

- Input Voltage (V_{in}): 24V \pm 2% tolerance (23.52V to 24.48V)
- Output Voltage (V_{out}): 5V
- Max Input Current: 1A (24W input power)
- Max Output Current: 4.32A (considering 90% efficiency)
- Switching Frequency (f): 43 kHz
- Ripple Current (ΔI_L): 20% of the output current (1.96A)
- Inductor Value (L): 90 μ H (rounded to 100 μ H standard value in the schematic)
- Expected Efficiency: At least 90%

Component Selection and Calculations-

1. Inductor (L1)

The inductor value is calculated based on the desired output voltage, input voltage, ripple current, and switching frequency. Using a switching frequency of 43 kHz and a ripple current of approximately 1.296A, the inductor value is calculated and selected as **100 μ H**.

Model No:PCV-2-104-05

Inductor: 100 μ H

Current Rating: At least 5A (calculated peak current of 4.97A)

$$\text{Inductor Ripple Current: } \Delta I_L = \frac{(V_{IN(max)} - V_{OUT}) \times D}{f_S \times L}$$

$$L = \frac{V_{OUT} \times (V_{IN} - V_{OUT})}{\Delta I_L \times f_S \times V_{IN}}$$

$$I_{MAXOUT} = I_{IM(min)} - \frac{\Delta I_L}{2}$$

2. MOSFET (Q2)

A MOSFET is used as the switching element in the buck converter. The IRFZ44N is selected as the low-side N-channel MOSFET due to its high current rating and low RDS(on), which ensures minimal conduction losses.

MOSFET: IRFZ44N

Voltage Rating: 55V

Current Rating: 49A

3. Schottky Diode (D3)

The Schottky diode is used for freewheeling current during the off-state of the MOSFET. The RBRSLAM60A is selected for its low forward voltage drop and fast switching characteristics.

Diode: RBRSLAM60A

Voltage Rating: 60V

Current Rating: 5A

$$P_D = I_F \times V_F$$

$$I_F = I_{OUT(max)} \times (1 - D)$$

4. Input and Output Capacitors (C1 and C3)

Capacitors are used to filter out voltage ripple at both the input and output sides of the converter. The input capacitor helps stabilize the input voltage and minimize high-frequency noise, while the output capacitor smooths the output voltage.

Input Capacitor (C1): 22 μ F (ceramic capacitor) rated for 35V

Output Capacitor (C3):

150 μ F (ceramic capacitor) rated for 50V

Model Number: GRM31CR60J157ME11

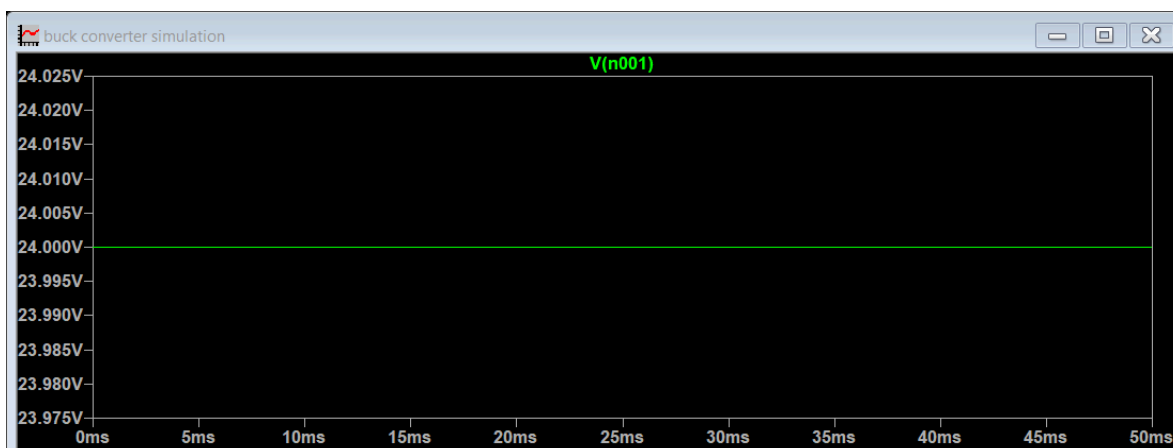
$$C_{OUT(min)} = \frac{\Delta I_L}{8 \times f_S \times \Delta V_{OUT}}$$

Conclusion-

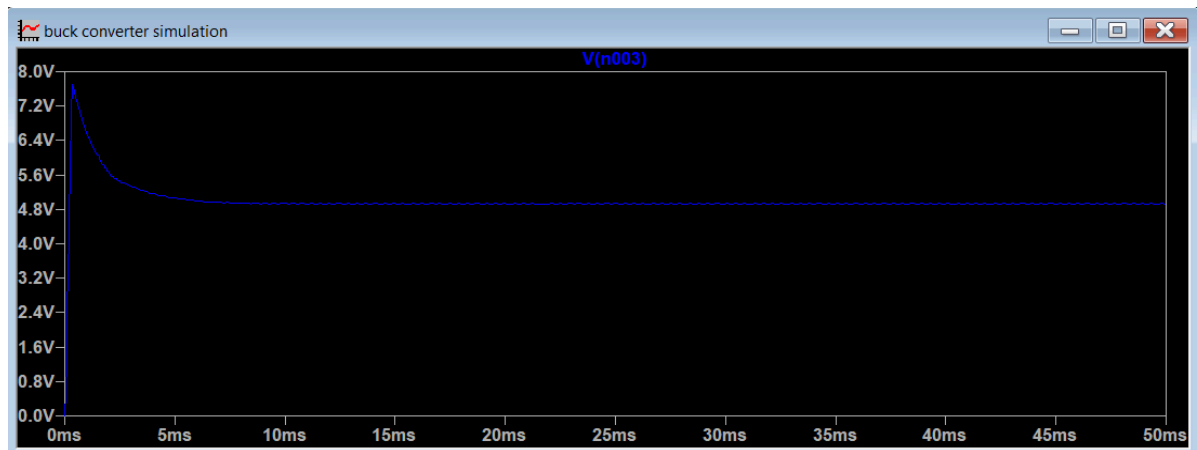
Through careful selection and calculation of components, the design achieves the desired performance while adhering to practical limitations. This buck converter can be effectively utilized in a wide range of applications requiring reliable low-voltage DC output from a high-voltage DC input. Future improvements can involve optimizing the inductor value further to reduce ripple and improve efficiency even beyond the 90% target.

Simulation and Plots:-

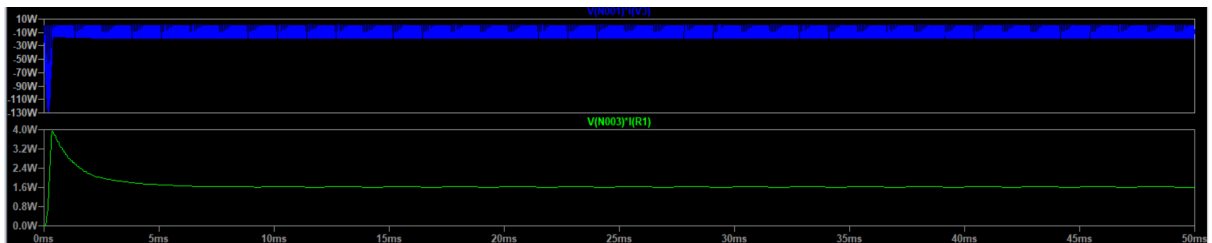
Input Voltage-



Output Voltage-



Input and Output Power-



Current-

