Analysis Design and Implementation of Soft Single Switched Boost Converter

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ABSTRACT

This paper proposes a better family of PWM soft single switched (SSS) Boost converter topology with low voltage and current stresses in switches. Soft switching condition is carried out through single switch. In most of the converter topologies under zero current condition (ZCS) only the switch is triggered to on mode and switch is made to off mode under zero voltage condition (ZVS). In a prototype model for soft turn on and turn off switch is applied to a boost(PWM) SSS converter, The operating principle of the converter topology is analyzed and its operating modes are studied .The experimental results of a prototype boost converter is compared with the theoretical analysis.

Keywords

Pulsewidth modulation (PWM), soft-single switched (SSS), zero-current switching (ZCS), zero-voltage switching (ZVS).

1. INTRODUCTION

Conventional hard switching converters posses increased size, weight, increased switching losses and electromagnetic interference. The switching devices used in DC converters with Pulse Width Modulation (PWM) control can be gated to synthesize desired shape of output voltage or output current at turn on and turn off conditions of switch. However the devices were turned on and off at a load current with high di/dt value. The switches were subjected to an high voltage stress and the switching power loss of device increases linearly with the switching frequency. The turn on and turn off loss could be a significant part of the total power loss. In order to solve the above issues soft switching converters are the need of the hour .

In recent years many research work were carried out in modernizing soft switching topologies in DC-DC converters. Soft switching converters are easy to control the output voltage to desired magnitude by Pulse Width Modulation (PWM) technique. Among the converter topologies quasi resonant converter topologies does not have extra switches to obtain soft switching conditions. They have major drawback of variation of the switching frequency [1].The complexity of power and control circuit was increasing under zero voltage transition and zero current transition constituting PWM based control by usage of two switches to achieve soft switching [3-10].



Fig. 1. SSS Boost Converter

The analysis and experimental results of an buck quadratic PWM soft switching converter and improved Boost PWM soft single switched converter with single switch were presented in [10-12] but voltage stresses and current stresses is more vulnerable in switches.PWM based SSS converters provide a solution to the problems faced by converter topologies [11-13]. An improved version of boost PWM SSS converter with low voltage and current stresses have been adopted to overcome above drawbacks but usage of large number of passive components make the converter implementation difficult [14].

The operation and properties of ZCT-PWM were compared with other converter topologies and discussed in [15]. A systematic approach to developing soft switching PWM converters based on synchronous switch is presented in [16]. A novel method is applied to isolated converters topologies this method provide soft switching condition for all the switching elements [18]. A novel family of pulse width modulation soft single switched dc –dc converter without high voltage and current stresses is been described.

In this paper pulse width modulation based SSS converter having reduced the voltage and current stresses were presented. The switch in experimental set up is turned on under zero current switching (ZCS) and turned off under zero voltage switching (ZVS). The converter main diode turns on under ZVS condition turns off under zero voltage zero current switching (ZVZCS) conditions. Furthermore auxiliary diode turns on ZVS condition and turns off under ZCS. In this paper PWM SSS converter with boost converter were analyzed and its operating modes are described in section II. A general design consideration are elaborated in section III. The simulation results with boost converters were analyzed in sectionIV.

2. CIRCUIT ANALYSIS DESCRIPTION AND FOR BOOST CONVERTER

The circuit components of boost converter were shown in Fig2.The circuit components namely L_{r1} , L_{r2} , D_1 and C_r were added to the conventional boost converter. The Filter inductor (L_f) and Filter capacitor (C_f) were large enough and to be replaced by current source (I_{in}) voltage source (V_0) respectively. It is assumed that all circuit components all ideal. The non ideal effects of leakage inductance of the coupled inductors were discussed in section IV. The turns ratio of coupled inductor is N_2/N_1 , Thus $L_{r2} = n^2 * L_{r1}$.

The Boost Converter topology has six distinct operating modes in a switching cycle are illustrated Fig2



Fig. 2. Equivalent modes of the boost converter

Mode1[t_0 - t_1]:Assuming that main switch off, and I_{in} current flows through the diode (D₀) and capacitor (C_r) voltage is equal to output voltage (V₀).At t_0 ,under ZCS condition the switch is turned on due to series inductor L_{r1} .The inductor current is [2]

$$V_0 = \mathcal{L}_{r1} \frac{dI_{in}}{dt} \tag{1}$$

$$dI_{in} = \frac{V_0}{L_{r_1}} * dt$$
 (2)

The inductor current is

$$I_{lr1(t)} = \frac{V_0}{L_{r1}} * t_1 - t_0$$
(3)

At t_1 , I_{lr1} reaches I_{in} ,therefore ,duration of this mode is

$$\Delta t_1 = t_1 - t_0 = \frac{L_{r1} I_{in}}{V_0}$$
⁽⁴⁾

Mode 2 [t_1 - t_2]: At the instant t_1 , current through the inductor L_{r1} has reached I_{in} and current through diode D_0 has reached zero.

And it makes the diode D_0 turns off is under ZCS. Due to existence of capacitor connected in parallel with diode voltage across rises slowly and it is considered as ZVS. Therefore diode D_0 turnoff is ZVZCS .During mode2, inductor L_{r1} starts to resonate with capacitor C_r .The resonant capacitor voltage and resonant inductor current are [2]

$$V_s = L\frac{di}{dt} + \frac{1}{C}\int idt$$
⁽⁵⁾

Take Laplace transform for equation (5) ,we get that

$$\frac{V_s}{S} = L \ SI(S) - I(0) + \frac{1}{C} \left[\frac{I(S)}{S} + \frac{q(0)}{S} \right]$$
(6)
$$I(0) = 0$$

For an inductor $V_c(0) = 0$, or q(0) = 0

$$I(S) = \frac{V_s}{S\left[LS + \frac{1}{CS}\right]}$$
(7)

$$I(s) = \frac{V_s}{\left[LS^2 + \frac{1}{C}\right]}$$
(8)

$$I(S) = \frac{V_s}{L\left[S^2 + \frac{1}{CL}\right]}$$
(9)

Let
$$\omega_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{L^*C}}$$
, $\omega_0^2 = \frac{1}{LC}$, It gives

$$I S = \frac{V_S}{L S^2 + \omega_0^2}$$
(10)

$$I \ s = \frac{V_s}{L} * \frac{1}{\omega_0} * \frac{\omega_0}{S^2 + \omega_0^2}$$
(11)

$$\omega_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}} \tag{12}$$

$$I \quad S = V_s * \sqrt{\frac{C}{L}} * \sin \omega_0 t \tag{13}$$

$$Z_{0} = \sqrt{\frac{L_{r1}}{C_{r}}} \quad Z_{r} = \sqrt{\frac{L_{r1}}{C_{r}}}$$
(14)

$$I_c = \frac{V_0}{Z_r} Sin\omega_r (t_2 - t_1)$$
⁽¹⁵⁾

$$V_{c} = \frac{1}{C} \int_{t_{1}}^{t_{2}} V_{0} * \sqrt{\frac{C}{L}} * \sin \omega_{r} t$$
(16)

$$V_{cr}(t) = V_0 * Cos\omega_r(t_2 - t_1)$$
(17)

$$I_{lr1} t = I_{in} + I_c$$

$$I_{lr1}(t) = I_{in} + \frac{V_0}{Z_r} Sin\omega_r (t_2 - t_1)$$
(18)

This mode ends capacitor voltage $\left(V_{cr}\right)$ reaches zero. Thus duration of this mode is

$$\Delta t_2 = t_2 - t_1 = \frac{\Pi}{2\omega_r} \tag{19}$$

Mode3 [t_2 - t_3]: When capacitor voltage (V_{cr}) reaches zero, diode D_1 start to conduct under ZVS condition due to existence of capacitor C_r . Since capacitor voltage (V_{cr}) reaches zero [2]. Since ampere turns of L_{r1} and L_{r2} should remain constant.

$$\left(I_{in} + \frac{V_0}{Z_r}\right)N_1 = I_{Lr1}N_1 + I_{Lr2}N_2$$
(20)

$$\left(I_{in} + \frac{V_0}{Z_r}\right)N_1 = I_{in} + I_{Lr2} \quad N_1 + I_{Lr2}N_2$$
(21)

$$I_{in}N_1 + \frac{V_0}{Z_r}N_1 = I_{in}N_1 + I_{Lr2}N_1 + I_{Lr2}N_2$$
(22)

$$I_{in} \left(\frac{V_0}{Z_r}\right) N_1 = I_{Lr2}(t_2) \quad N_1 + N_2$$
(23)

$$I_{Lr2} \quad t_2 = \frac{V_0}{Z_r} \left(\frac{N_1}{N_1 + N_2} \right)$$
(24)

$$\frac{N_2}{N_1} = n \quad , \quad I_{Lr2} \quad t_2 = \frac{V_0}{Z_r} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right)$$
(25)

In Inductor, L_{r1} current is equal to the sum of input current and current in the L_{r2} . From this following equations are obtained.

$$I_{Lr1} t_1 = I_{in} + I_{Lr2} t_2$$
(26)

$$I_{Lr1} \quad t_1 = I_{in} + \frac{V_0}{n+1 \ Z_r}$$
(27)

$$I_{Lr2} \quad t_2 = \frac{V_0}{n+1 \ Z_r}$$
(28)

The interval of this mode3 and mode2 is called converter duty cycle .This mode ends when the switch is turned off. The duration of this mode is

$$\Delta t_3 = DT_s - (\Delta t_1 + \Delta t_2) \tag{29}$$

Where D is switch duty cycle. T_s is switching period of the converter.

Mode $4[t_3-t_4]$:By making the switch off, the ampere turn of L_{r1} is transferred to L_{r2} , and now L_{r1} current is equal to sum of input current (I_{in}) and the L_{r1} current (I_{ir1}) [2]

$$I_{Lr1}N_{1} + I_{Lr2}N_{2} = I_{1}N_{2}$$
(30)
$$\left[I_{in} + \frac{V_{0}}{n+1 Z_{r}}\right]N_{1} + \left[\frac{V_{0}}{n+1 Z_{r}}\right]N_{2} = I_{1}N_{2}$$
(31)
$$I_{in}N_{1} + \frac{V_{0}}{n+1 (Z_{r})}N_{1} + \frac{V_{0}}{n+1 (Z_{r})}N_{2} = I_{1}N_{2}$$
(32)

Where (I_{tr1}) is the inductor current of L_{r1} , I_{tr2} is the inductor current of L_{r2} previous mode 3. I_1 is current at t_3 . Thus by substituting equations (27) and (28) in (30). Thus the following relations are obtained.

$$I_1 = I_{Lr2}(t_3) = \frac{1}{n} \left(I_{in} + \frac{V_0}{Z_r} \right)$$
(33)

Thus the resonant capacitor C_r charges by I_{in} plus. Until the capacitor voltage (V_{cr}) reaches the output voltage V_0 and the L_{r2} current until its voltage reaches V_0 . The switch voltage, C_r voltage and L_{r2} current during this mode are [2].

$$V_{sw}(t) = n+1 Z_r I_{in} + I_1 \sin\left(\frac{1}{n}\omega_r t - t_3\right)$$
 (34)

$$V_{cr} \quad t = nZ_r \quad I_{in} + I_1 \quad \sin\left(\frac{1}{n}\omega_r \quad t - t_3\right) \quad (35)$$

$$I_{Lr2} t = I_{in} + I_1 \cos\left(\frac{1}{n}\omega_r t - t_3\right) - I_{in}$$
 (36)

From equation (34) ,switch is turned off under zero voltage switching (ZVS) condition at the beginning of this mode. Due to the leakage inductance of coupled inductor, a small voltage

spike appear across the switch and switch voltage rises. the switch is turned off under almost zero voltage switching condition (ZVS),even though spike is much smaller than maximum switch voltage. At t_4 , V_{cr} capacitor voltage reaches output voltage V_0 thus duration of this mode and maximum voltage stress of switch are

$$\Delta t_{4} = t_{4} - t_{3} = \frac{n}{\omega_{r}} \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{V_{0}}{V_{0} + (n+1)Z_{r}I_{in}} \right)$$
(37)
$$V_{sw,\max} = V_{sw}(t_{4}) = \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) V_{0}$$

Mode 5 $t_4 - t_5$: In mode5 capacitor voltage (V_{cr}) reaches output voltage V₀ and the diode D₀ turns on under ZVS condition. At the starting of this mode, L_{r2} current [2] is

$$I_{2} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{n+1}{n}\right)^{2} I_{in}^{2} + \frac{2(n+1)V_{0}}{n^{2}Z_{r}} I_{in}} - I_{in}$$
(38)

In mode5, the inductor current (L_{r2}) current decreases linearly. Thus the L_{r2} Current equation during this mode is

$$I_{Lr2}(t) = I_2 - \frac{V_0}{L_{r2}}(t - t_4)$$
(39)

At t_5 , the (L_{r2}) current reaches zero, and therefore diode D₁ turns off under ZCS condition; thus

$$\Delta t_5 = t_5 - t_1 = \frac{L_{r2}I_2}{V_0} \tag{40}$$

Mode $6[t_5-t_6]$:During mode 6 I_{in} freewheels through the diode D₀ ,and the current through the resonant inductor remains zero and voltage across the resonant capacitor stays at V₀.The duration of this mode is [2]

$$\Delta t_6 = 1 - D T_s - \Delta t_4 + \Delta t_5 \tag{41}$$

This converter operates in continuous conduction mode (CCM) and discontinuous conduction mode(DCM) are similar. However CCM is preferred since the energy stored in leakage inductors in this condition is less than in DCM.

3. DESIGN CONSIDERATIONS TO ACHIVE ZVS AND ZCS FOR BOOST CONVERTER

The design of the Boost converter and Buck Boost converter circuit involves the selection of C_r , L_{r1} and $n.C_r$ provides ZVS condition for the switch turn off instant. Therefore its value can be selected similar to any snubber capacitor as follows, fall time (t_f) of the switch is taken from switch data sheet of IRF840 [2].

$$C_r > C_{r,\min} = \frac{I_{sw}t_f}{2V_{sw}}$$
 (42)
Cr = (2.77*3.610*10e-07/2*50)
Cr = 10 nano farad

where t_f is the switch current fall time $,I_{sw}$ is switch current before turnoff i.e. input current for boost and buck boost converter , and V_{sw} is the switch voltage after turnoff i.e. input voltage for boost and buck boost converter. In practice C_r is considered much larger than $C_{r,min}$ to guarantee soft switching. Inductor (L_{r1}) provides ZCS condition for switch turn on instant. This inductor (L_{r1}) can be selected according to [2] as follows

$$L_{r1} > L_{r,\min} = \frac{V_{sw}t_r}{I_{sw}}$$
(43)
$$L_{r1} = (50*9.972*10e-07/2.77)$$
$$L_{r1} = 18 \text{ micro Henry}$$

were t_r is the switch current rise time of the switch IRF840. In practice L_{r1} is considered much larger than $L_{r,min}$ to guarantee soft switching.

4. GENERALIZED DESIGN PROCEDURE FOR BOOST CONVERTER

Input Voltage (Vin)	14 V.
Output Voltage (Vo)	44V.
Switching Frequency (SF)	10 KHz.
Ripple Current (ΔI)	1.338 A
Ripple Voltage (ΔV)	0.0333 V.
Duty Ratio (k)	0.5

To Calculate The Value Of Inductance (L):

i) $\Delta I = (Vin K/f L)$ (44)

Therefore $L = (Vin K/f \Delta I)$

 $L = (14 * 0.5 / 10000 \ 1.388)$

$$L = 500 \mu H$$

To Find Output Current

Output Power (Po) = $V_0 * I_0$

 $I_{o} = (44/50)$

I_o = 0.88A

To Calculate The Value Of Capacitance (C):

ii) $\Delta Vc = (I_o K/f C)$ (46)

(45)

 $C = (Io K/f \Delta Vc)$

C = (0.88 * 0.5 / 100000 * 0.0333)

C=130 µF

5. SIMULATION AND EXPERIMENTAL RESULTS FOR BOOST CONVETER

Boost Converter Topology:

A prototype for Pulse Width Modulation soft single switched converter Boost Converter is constructed and operates at with given input voltage at 14V, output voltage of 44V .The converter operates at 10KHz switching frequency and an output power of 50W. The designed values of the various components are as follows. Filter inductor (L) = 50 μ H, Filter Capacitor (C)=130 μ F, values for coupled inductor(L_{r1})=18 μ H, resonant capacitor(C_r)=10nF and n=3 respectively and output power of 50W. IRF 840 is selected for converter switch, and MUR460 is chosen for diodes D_0 and D_1 . From simulation results, it is observed from the converter can be observed that the switch is turned on under ZCS and turned off at almost under ZVS condition. Due to the Phenomenon of resonance between leakage inductance of inductor and switch junction capacitor soft switching is achieved for the main switch. In the topology main diode D₀ turns on under ZVS condition and turns off under ZVZCS. Current through diode D₀ increases can jump from zero to I2+Hin and then would linearly reach to Iin.

However the inductance in series with diode D_0 starts to resonante with capacitor (C_r) and it causes zero voltage switching (ZVS) of the diode (D_0). After the above condition the resonance current through the diode (D_0) decreases linearly. It is observed that diode (D_1) can be turned on under zero voltage switching (ZVS) condition and turns off under zero current switching (ZCS).It can be observed converter does not require extra switch to achieve soft switching, which considerably simplifies the control circuit. However switch voltage stresses, current stresses of the switch is reduced by achieved by doing soft switching condition. The experimental results of a prototype converter were shown in figure.9-16.From experimental results it is observed that switch is turned on under zero current condition and turned off at almost zero voltage switching condition. Firing pulses for switch is provided to the microcontroller, and output dc voltage is obtained from the converter.

5.1. Microcontroller Circuit Description

Microcontroller has CPU (microprocessor), RAM, ROM, I/O ports, Timer ,ADC and other peripherals .Microntroller the fixed amount of on-chip ROM, RAM, and number of I/O ports makes them ideal for many applications in which cost and space are critical.



Fig 3 Flow Chart for Microcontroller



Fig.4.Output Voltage Waveform (Boost Converter)















Fig. 6.(a) the switch at different switching cycle (voltage:2V/div),(b)the diode voltage D_0 at turnon and turnoff instant (50 V/div; time scale:1 μS /div)(c)the diode current D_0 at turnon and turnoff instant(20 A/div; time

(c)

scale:1 μS /div)







Fig.7. (a)the switch at different switching cycle (voltage:1V/div),(b)the diode voltage D₁ at turnon and turnoff instant (50 V/div; time scale:1 μ S /div)(c)the diode

current D1 at turnon and turnoff instant(0.5 A/div; time scale:1 $\,\mu {\it S}$ /div)



Fig.8. (a)Capacitor voltage waveform at turnon and turnoff instant of switching cycle(voltage:20 V/div; time scale:1 μ S /div)



Fig 9 Complete Hardware Set Up For Microcontroller. PULSE GENERATION FROM MICROCONTROLLER



Fig.10 Firing pulses obtained from microcontroller



Fig .11 Output dc voltages from bridge rectifier



Fig .12 Output dc voltage from dc-dc converter



Fig.13 Zero voltage switching from switch during turn off of condition switch.



Fig 14 Complete Hardware Set Up for Soft Single Switched From Boost Converter



Fig 15 Input dc voltage obtained from Boost Converter.



OUTPUT DC VOLTAGE FROM BOOST CONVERTER



Fig 16 Output dc voltage obtained from Boost Converter.(Complete Hardware Set Up)

6. CONCLUSION

In this paper a Prototype PWM SSS boostconverter without high voltage and current stresses has been demonstrated. These converter topology does not require extra switch to achieve soft switching which considerably simplifies the control circuit. The proposed topology can be extended to other nonisolated soft single switched dc-dc converters.

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