

SIMULATION AND ANALYSIS OF SOFT-SWITCHING CCM BOOST CONVERTER WITH HIGH POWER APPLICATIONS

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ABSTRACT

This paper proposes a new soft-switched continuous conduction-mode (CCM) boost converter suitable for high-power applications such as power factor correction, hybrid electric vehicles, and fuel cell power conversion systems. The proposed converter achieves zero-voltage switched (ZVS) turn-on of active switches in CCM and zero-current switched turn-off of diodes leading to negligible reverse-recovery loss. The components voltage ratings and energy volumes of passive components of the proposed converter are greatly reduced compared to the conventional zero-voltage transition converter. Voltage conversion ratio is almost doubled compared to the conventional boost converter. DC/DC converters are often used to provide a DC regulated output voltage. CCM boost converters are increasingly needed in high-power applications. The major concerns are High power density and High efficiency in high power application. Extension of the proposed concept to realize multiphase dc-dc converters is discussed.

KEYWORDS: continuous conduction mode (CCM), Electro Magnetic interference (EMI), Zero Voltage Switching (ZVS), quasi-resonant converter (QRC), quasi-square-wave converter (QSW), Zero Voltage Transition (ZVT), zero current switched (ZCS),

I. INTRODUCTION

The continuous conduction mode (CCM) boost converters have been widely used as the front-end converter for active input current shaping. In recent years, CCM boost converters are increasingly needed in high power applications such as hybrid electric vehicles and fuel cell power conversion systems. High power density and high efficiency are major concerns in high power CCM boost converters. The hard-switched CCM boost converter suffers from severe diode reverse-recovery problem in high-current high-power applications. That is, when the main switch is turned on, a shoot through of the output capacitor to ground due to the diode reverse recovery causes a large

current spike through the diode and main switch. This not only incurs significant turn-off loss of the diode and turn-on loss of the main switch, but also causes severe electromagnetic interference (EMI) emission. The effects of the reverse-recovery-related problems become more significant for high switching frequency at high power level. Therefore, the hard-switched CCM boost converter is not capable to achieve high efficiency and high power density at high power level. Many soft-switching techniques on CCM boost converters have been proposed. The zero-voltage switched (ZVS) quasi-resonant converter (QRC) achieves soft switching of the main switch with ZVS and the diode with zero current switched (ZCS) [3], but both main switch and diode suffer from an excessive voltage stress due to resonant operation [1]. The ZVS quasi-square-wave converter (QSW) technique offers ZVS turn-on for both main switch and diode without increasing their voltage stresses. However, both main switch and diode suffer from a high current stress resulting in significant conduction losses. Furthermore, turn-off loss of the main switch is considerable [2].

II. SOFT SWITCHED CCM BOOST CONVERTER

A. ZERO VOLTAGE TRANSITION CONVERTERS

Zero Voltage Transition (ZVT) converters were proposed. In ZVT converters there is an auxiliary resonant circuit across the main switch. The auxiliary circuit is activated only during the switch transitions and it is on for only a small time during the switching cycle. Therefore resonance occurs only during the switch transitions. This limits the auxiliary circuit losses [4]. As the resonant inductor slows down the rate of fall of current through the boost diode, the EMI of the ZVT boost converter is also low. Although highest efficiency of the rectifier is achieved using the ZVT boost converter, some common disadvantages of this class of converter are:

- 1) The circuit suffers from high stress in across the auxiliary switch.
- 2) The converter in suffers from higher conduction loss due to high RMS currents in auxiliary circuit and the boost diode.
- 3) The converter suffers from parasitic resonance between the resonant inductor and parasitic capacitance of the auxiliary switch. The saturable inductor limits the switching frequency.

The converter proposed and overcomes all the above problems at the cost of slightly greater voltage stress across the auxiliary switch. However it makes use of an auxiliary transformer to feed-forward some of the energy of the auxiliary circuit to the output.

III. PROPOSED SOFT SWITCH

A. MODELLING OF SOFT-SWITCHED (CCM) BOOST CONVERTER

Fig 1.1 shows the circuit diagram of the proposed CCM boost converter, Upper switch S2 in the proposed converter replaces the rectifier diode in the conventional boost converter. Lower switch S1 and upper switch S2 are operated with asymmetrical complementary switching to regulate the output voltage as shown in Fig4.2. An auxiliary circuit that consists of a capacitor C1 an inductor L2 , two diodes D1 and D2 , and a capacitor C2 is connected on top of the output capacitor C3 to form the output voltage of the converter.

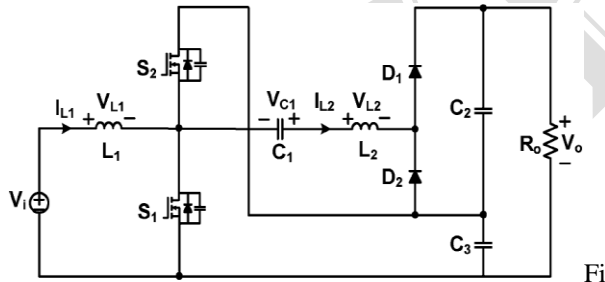


Fig 1.1 Proposed soft-switched CCM boost converter.

The auxiliary circuit not only increases the output voltage, but also helps ZVS turn-on of active switches S1 and S2 in CCM.

IV. OPERATION MODES OF PROPOSED CONVERTER

Mode 1: This mode begins when i_{L2} decreases to zero and D2 is turned on as shown in Fig 1.2. During this mode, the lower switch S1 maintains ON state. Both input inductor current i_{L1} and auxiliary inductor current i_{L2} flows through lower switch S1.

$$\begin{aligned} di_{L1}/dt &= v_i/L_1 & (1) \\ di_{L2}/dt &= (V_{C1} - V_{C3}) / L_2 & (2) \end{aligned}$$

Mode 2: This mode begins when S1 is turned off and the body diode of S2 is turned on. The gating signal for S2 is applied during this mode, and S2 is turned on under ZVS conditions. Both i_{L1} and i_{L2} are decreasing.

$$\begin{aligned} di_{L1} / dt &= (V_i - V_{C3}) / L_1 & (3) \\ di_{L2} / dt &= V_{C1} / L_2. & (4) \end{aligned}$$

At the end of this mode, inductor current i_{L2} changes its direction of flow and D1 starts to conduct. It should be noted that D2 is turned off under ZCS.

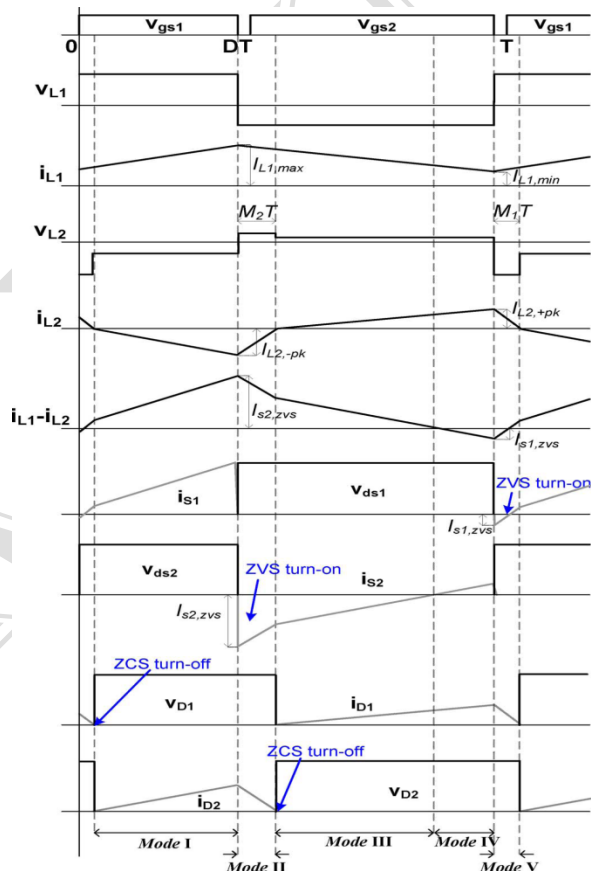


Fig 1.2 waveforms for proposed converter

Mode3: During this mode, i_{L1} keeps decreasing with the slope determined in Mode II, and i_{L2} increases. At the end of this mode, switch current i_{S2} reverses its direction of flow and conducts the main channel of S2.

$$di_{L2} / dt = (V_{C1} - V_{C2}) / L_2 \quad (5)$$

Mode4: During this mode, i_{L1} and i_{L2} keep flowing with the same slope determined in Mode 3.

Mode5: This mode begins when S2 is turned off and the body diode of S1 is turned on. The gating signal for

S1 is applied during this mode, and S1 could be turned on under ZVS conditions.

$$diL_1 / dt = V_i / L_1 \quad (6)$$

$$diL_2 / dt = (V_{C1} - V_{C2} - V_{C3}) / L_2 \quad (7)$$

Inductor currents iL_1 and iL_2 start to increase and decrease

V. VOLTAGE CONVERSION RATIO.

To obtain the voltage gain of the proposed converter, it is assumed that the voltage across C1, C2, and C3 are constant during the switching period of TS. The output voltage is given by

$$V_o = VC_2 + VC_3 \quad (8)$$

Or

$$V_o = (2 / (1 - D_{eff})) V_i \quad (9)$$

Where the effective duty D_{eff} is defined by

$$D_{eff} = D + M_1 - M_2 \quad (10)$$

The output voltage can also be expressed as

$$V_o = ((2 / (1 - D)) (V_i - \Delta V)) \quad (11)$$

Where ΔV is the voltage drop caused by the duty loss ($M_2 - M_1$). From (9)–(11), the voltage drop ΔV can be obtained by

$$\Delta V = ((2V_i (M_2 - M_1)) / ((1 - D)(1 - D + M_2 - M_1))) \quad (12)$$

According to volt-sec balance principle on L2, capacitor voltage VC_1 can be obtained by

$$VC_1 = VC_2(1 - D - (M_2 - M_1)) + DV \quad (13)$$

Where VC_2 and VC_3 can be expressed as

$$VC_3 = (1 / (1 - D)) V_i \quad (14)$$

$$VC_2 = ((1 / (1 - D)) (V_i - \Delta V)). \quad (15)$$

In the steady state, the average output load current equals the average current of D1 and D2 since the average value of the current through L2 (C2) is zero. The following equations can be derived:

$$ID_{1, av} = V_o / R_o = 1/2 (1 - D - (M_2 - M_1)) IL_{2, +pk} \quad (16)$$

$$ID_{2, av} = V_o / R_o = 1/2 (D + M_2 - M_1) IL_{2, -pk} \quad (17)$$

Where $IL_{2, +pk}$ and $IL_{2, -pk}$ are positive and negative peak values of the inductor current IL_2 , and are given by (see Fig. 2)

$$IL_{2, +pk} = (VC_1 - VC_2 - VC_3) M_{1TS} / L_2$$

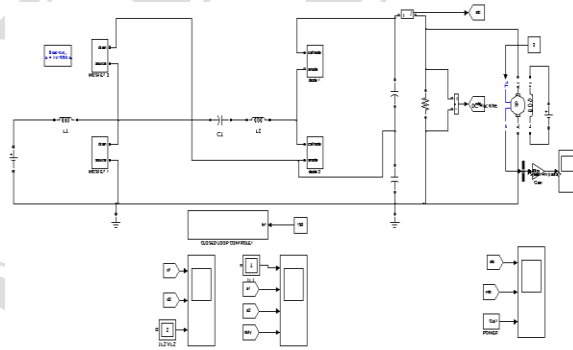
$$IL_{2, -pk} = VC_1 M_{2TS} / L_2.$$

Diode current ID_2 , which is a negative portion of current IL_2 , becomes incremental current in conduction loss.

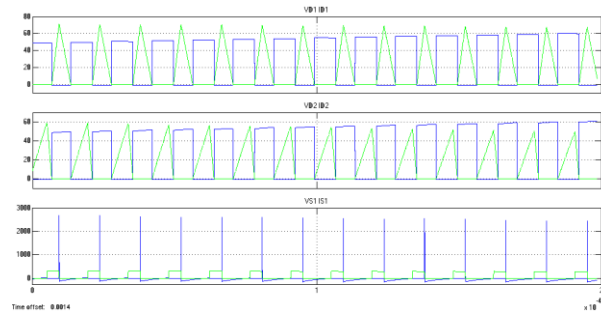
VI. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

A. SIMULATION FOR SOFT-SWITCHING CCM BOOST CONVERTER IN MOTOR LOAD

MATLAB simulation of proposed soft switching CCM boost converter with motor load is shown below.

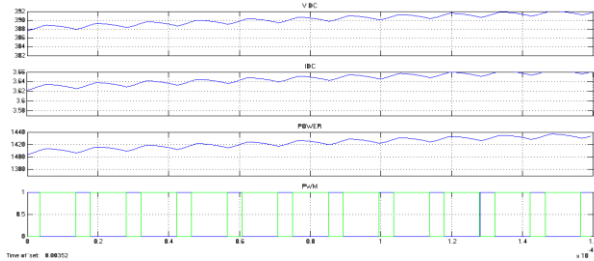


Simulation of soft-switching CCM boost converter with motor load

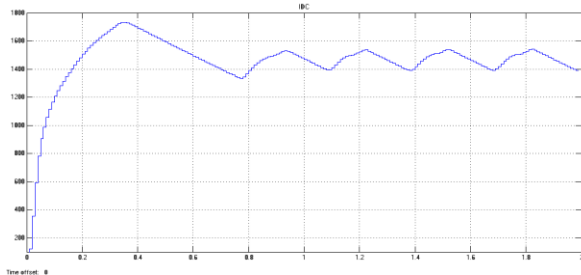


a)

output voltage and output current for diode1 b) output voltage and output current for diode2 c) output voltage and output current for MOSFET.



a) output voltage b) output
c) output power d) PWM signal



Motor speed by PI controller.

By using the motor load in soft-switching CCM boost converter it achieve rated voltage and run on the rated RPM. It control by PI controller in closed loop and getting high output power and high efficiency

VII. CONCLUSION

In this paper, a new soft-switched CCM boost converter suitable for high-voltage and high-power application has been proposed. The proposed converter has the following advantages:

- 1) ZVS turn-on of the active switches in CCM.
- 2) Negligible diode reverse-recovery due to ZCS turn-off of the diodes.
- 3) Voltage conversion ratio is almost doubled compared to the conventional boost converter.
- 4) Greatly reduced components' voltage ratings and energy volumes of most passive-components.

Extension of the proposed concept to realize multiphase dc-dc converters for higher voltage and higher power applications has been explored. Experimental waveforms from a 1.5-Kw prototype have been provided and peak efficiency of 97% was measured at 1200 W.

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