

TSTE25 Power Electronics

Lecture 6

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Outline

- PWM non-idealities
 - Blanking time
 - Digital quantization effects
- Current control
- Isolated DC/DC Converters

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PWM non-idealities

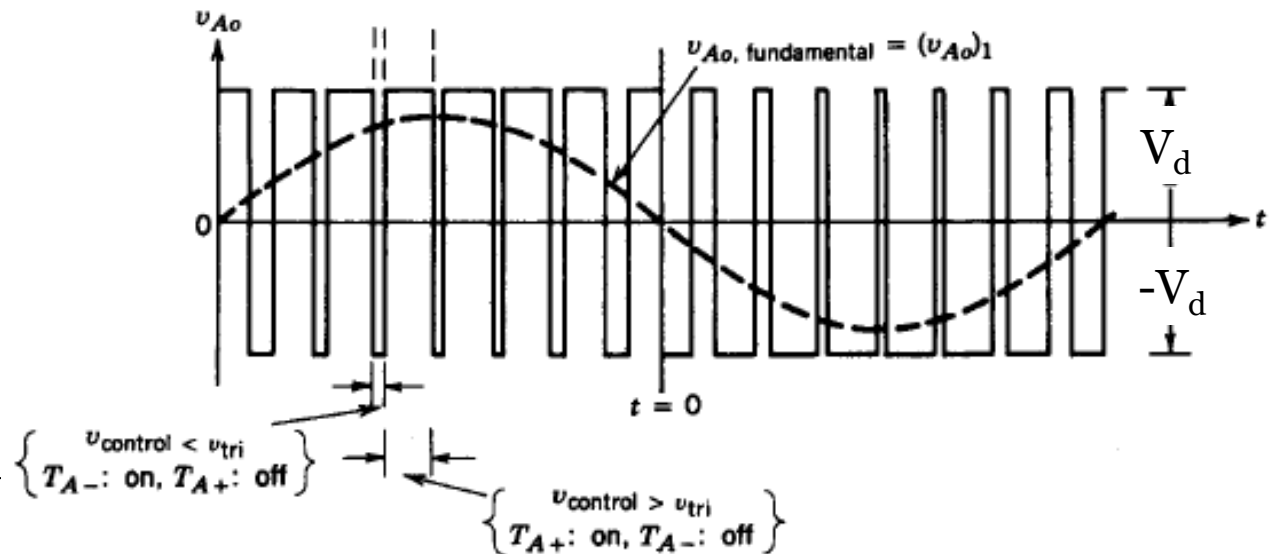
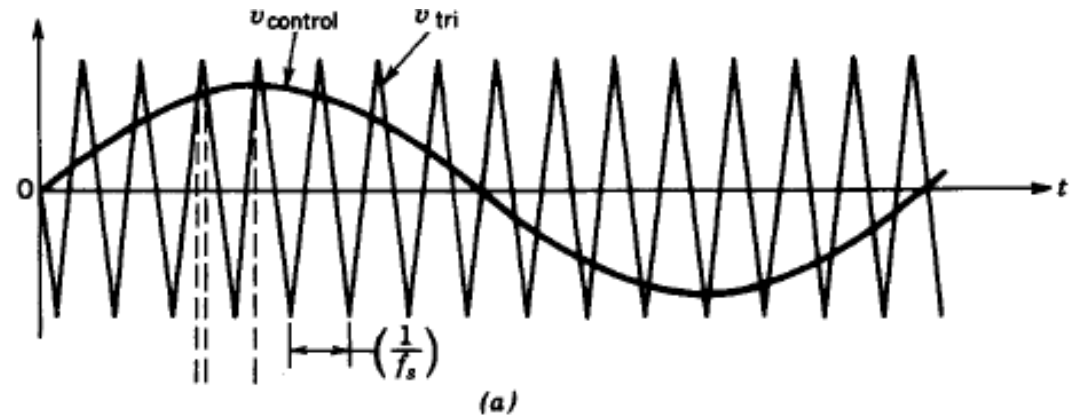
Pulse-width modulated switching scheme

- Amplitude modulation ratio (modulation index, peak duty cycle)

$$m_a = \frac{\hat{V}_{A01}}{V_d} = \frac{\hat{V}_{control}}{\hat{V}_{tri}} = \hat{D}$$

- Switching frequency f_s
- Fundamental frequency f_1
- Frequency modulation ratio (pulse number)

$$m_f = \frac{f_s}{f_1}$$



Blanking time effects

- Avoid cross-conduction by delay of device turn-on (blanking time or dead time)
- Current direction dependent
- Independent on output magnitude

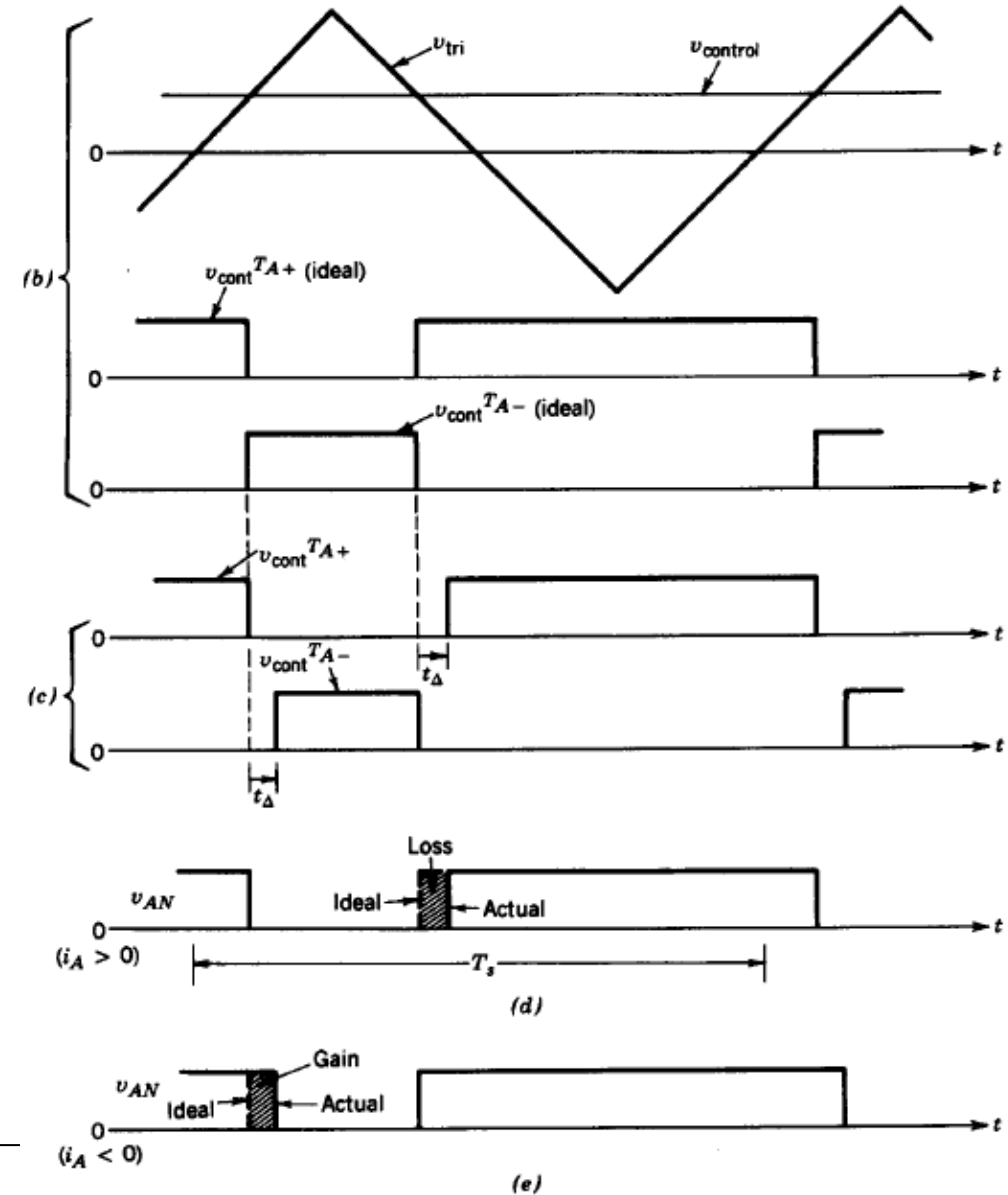
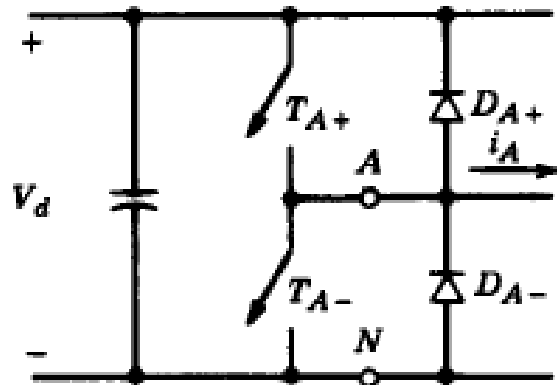
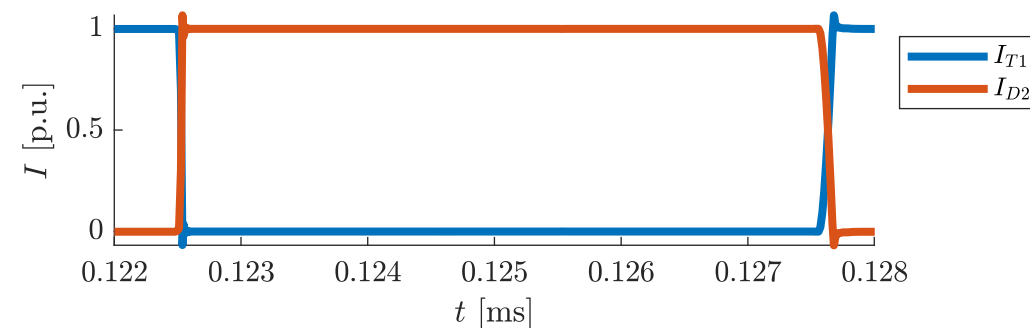
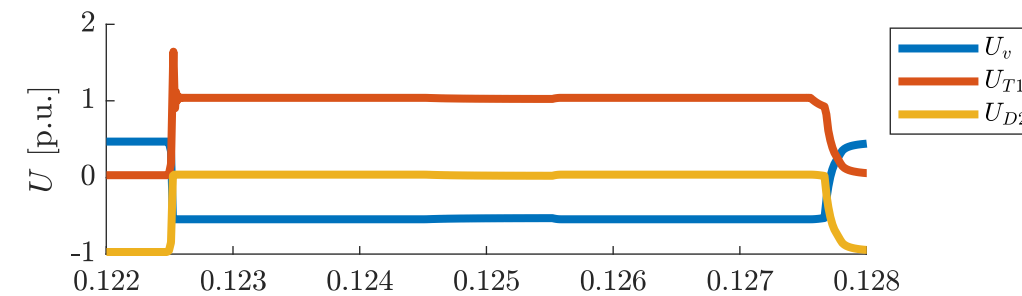
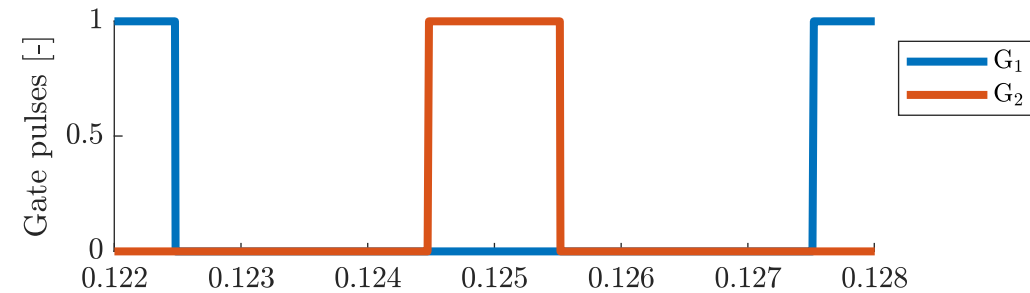
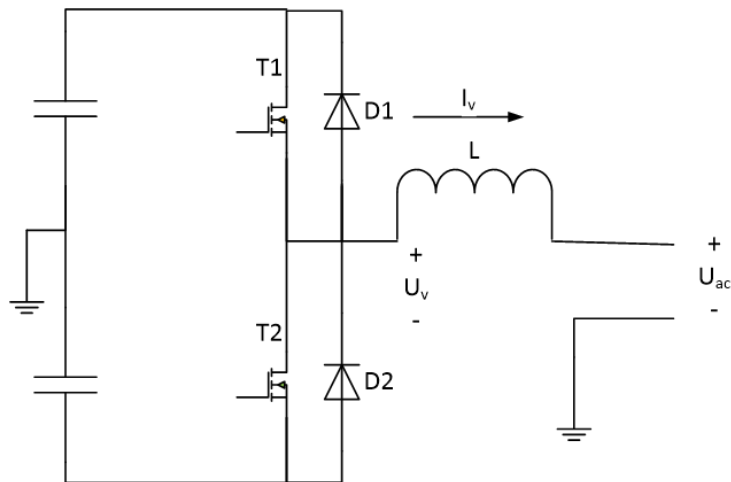


Figure 8-31 Effect of blanking time t_{Δ} .

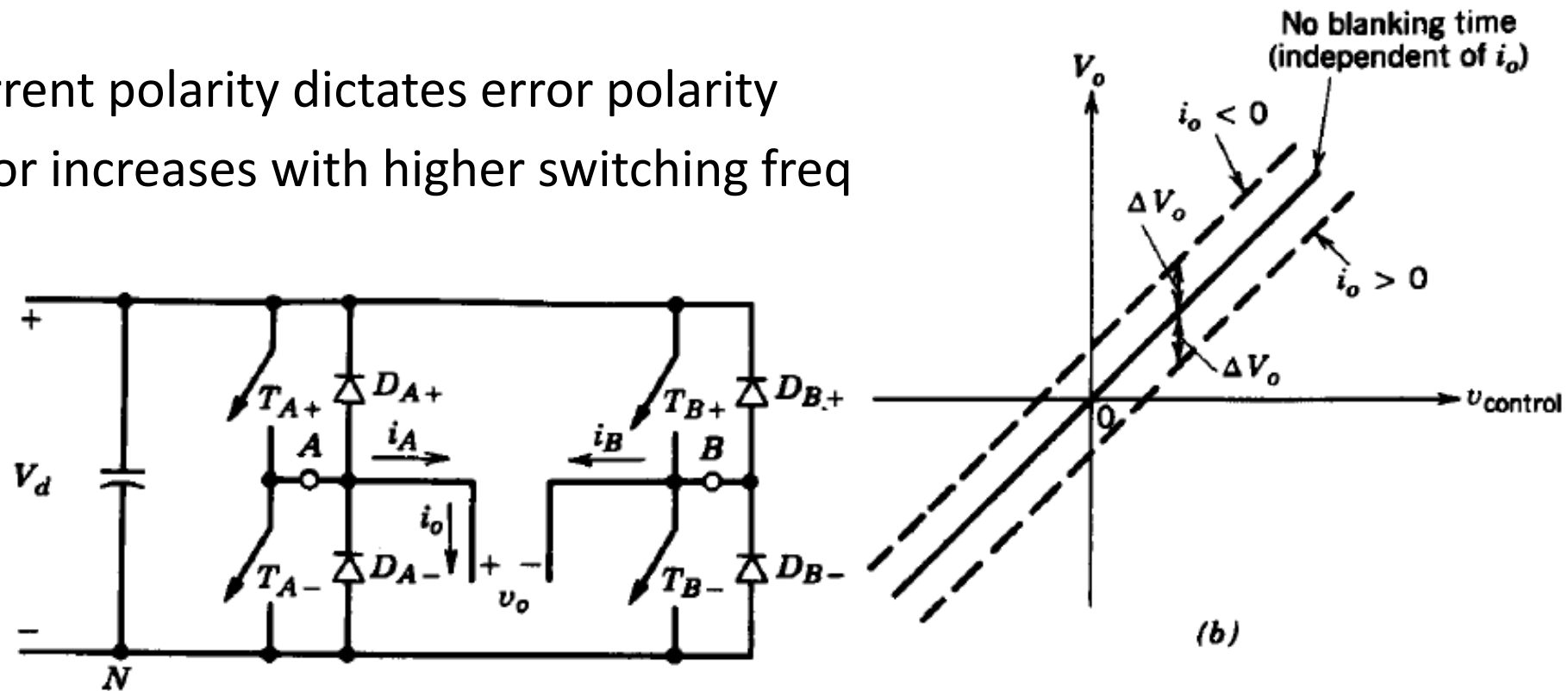
Blanking time effects (cont..)

- Switching points defined by the PWM reference and triangular carrier crossing
- Actual voltage change, delayed by blanking time

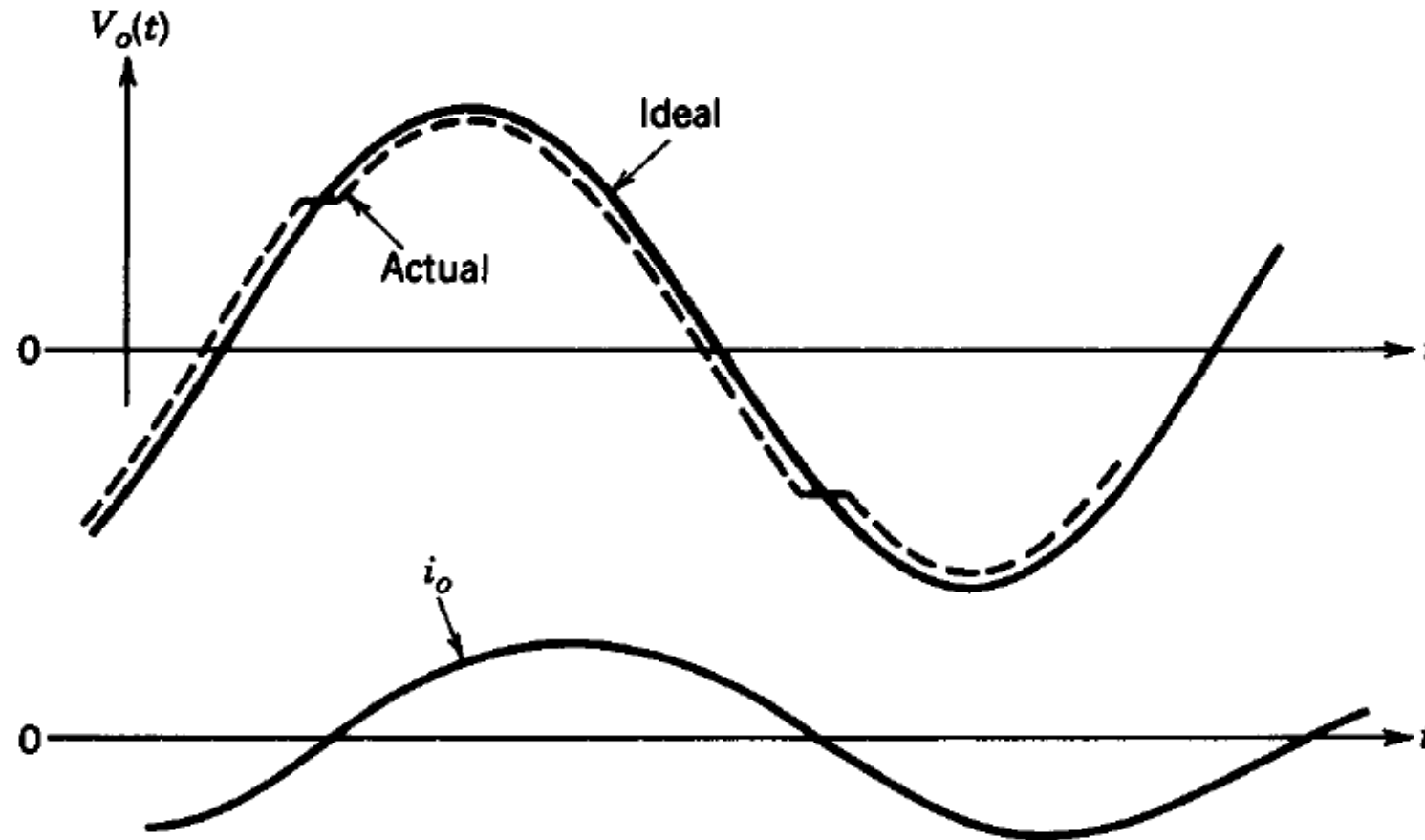


Blanking time effect on V_o

- Current polarity dictates error polarity
- Error increases with higher switching freq



Blanking effect on sinusoidal output



Gate pulse blanking with V_{ref} offset

$$G1 = V_{ref} - \text{offset} > V_{tri}$$

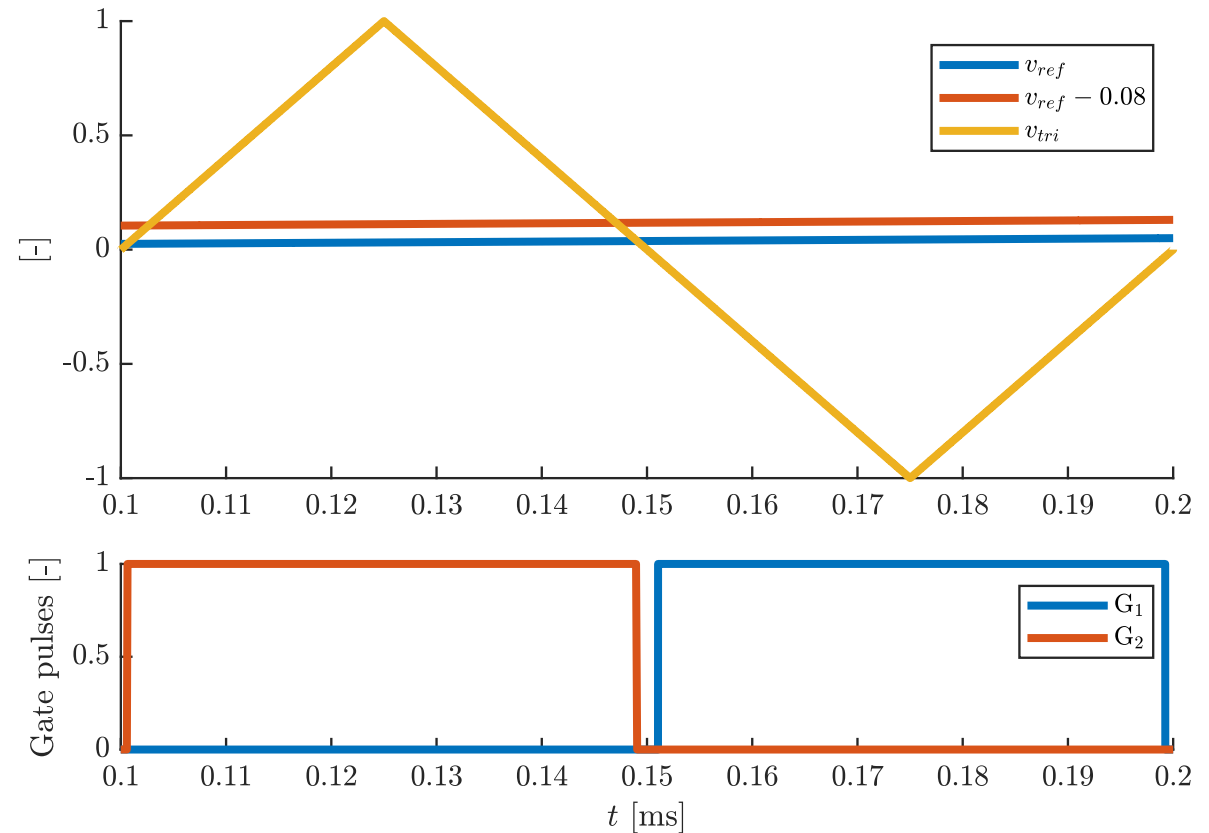
$$G2 = V_{ref} < V_{tri}$$

**Average output voltage
reduced:**

$$m_a - \text{offset}/2$$

$$U_{out(pk)} = (m_a - \text{offset}/2)U_d$$

$$t_{blank} = \frac{|\text{offset}|}{\frac{dV_{tri}}{dt}} = \frac{|\text{offset}|}{\frac{2}{T_{sw}/2}} = \frac{|\text{offset}|}{4f_{sw}}$$



Digital PWM control

- Proportional control (error amplifier) for voltage feedback
- Pulse width modulation, PWM, to control switching
- Switching frequency, f_s , the repetition rate of turn-on/off
- Control sampling (cycle) frequency, the rate of digital control execution

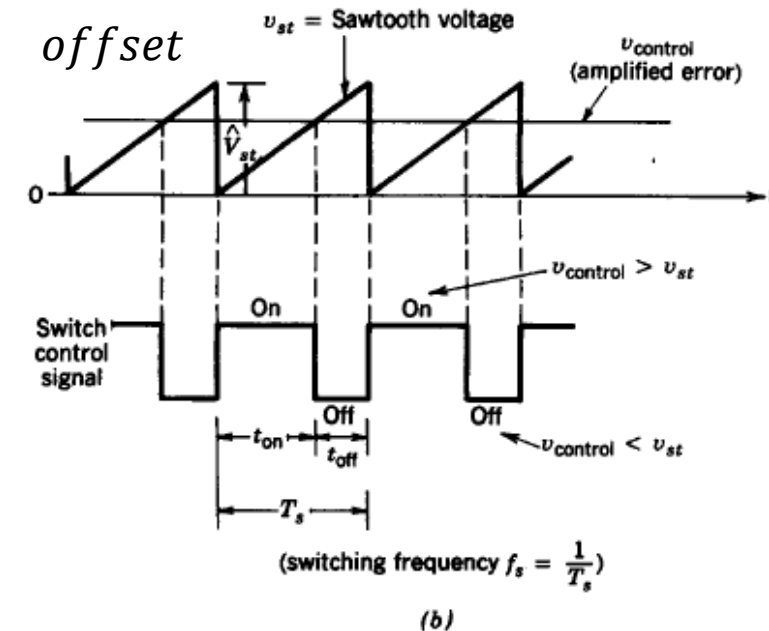
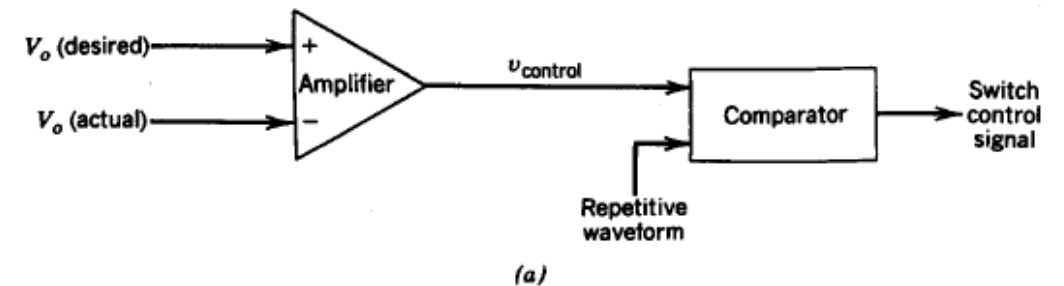
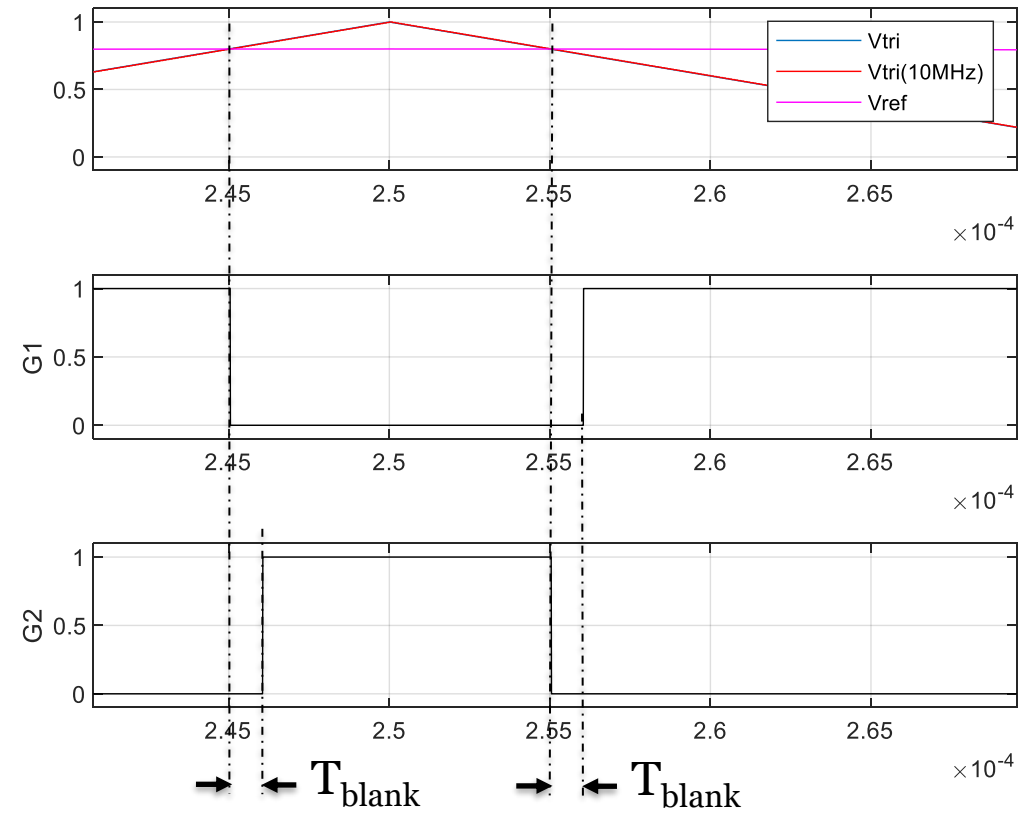


Figure 7-3 Pulse-width modulator: (a) block diagram; (b) comparator signals.

Blanking time

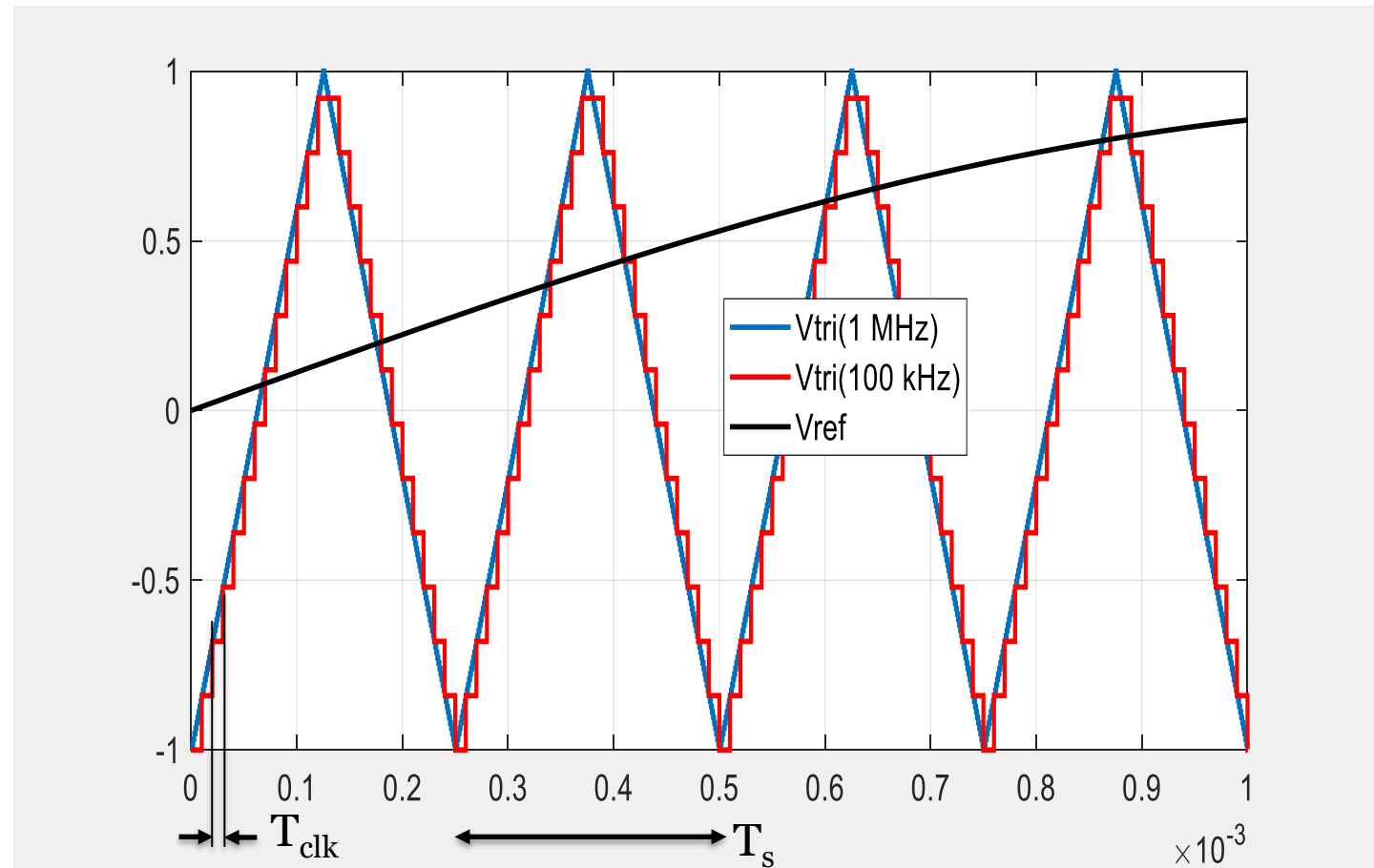
- Using Delay on both of the gate pulses.

D – Flip-Flop
clk – defined by T_{blank}

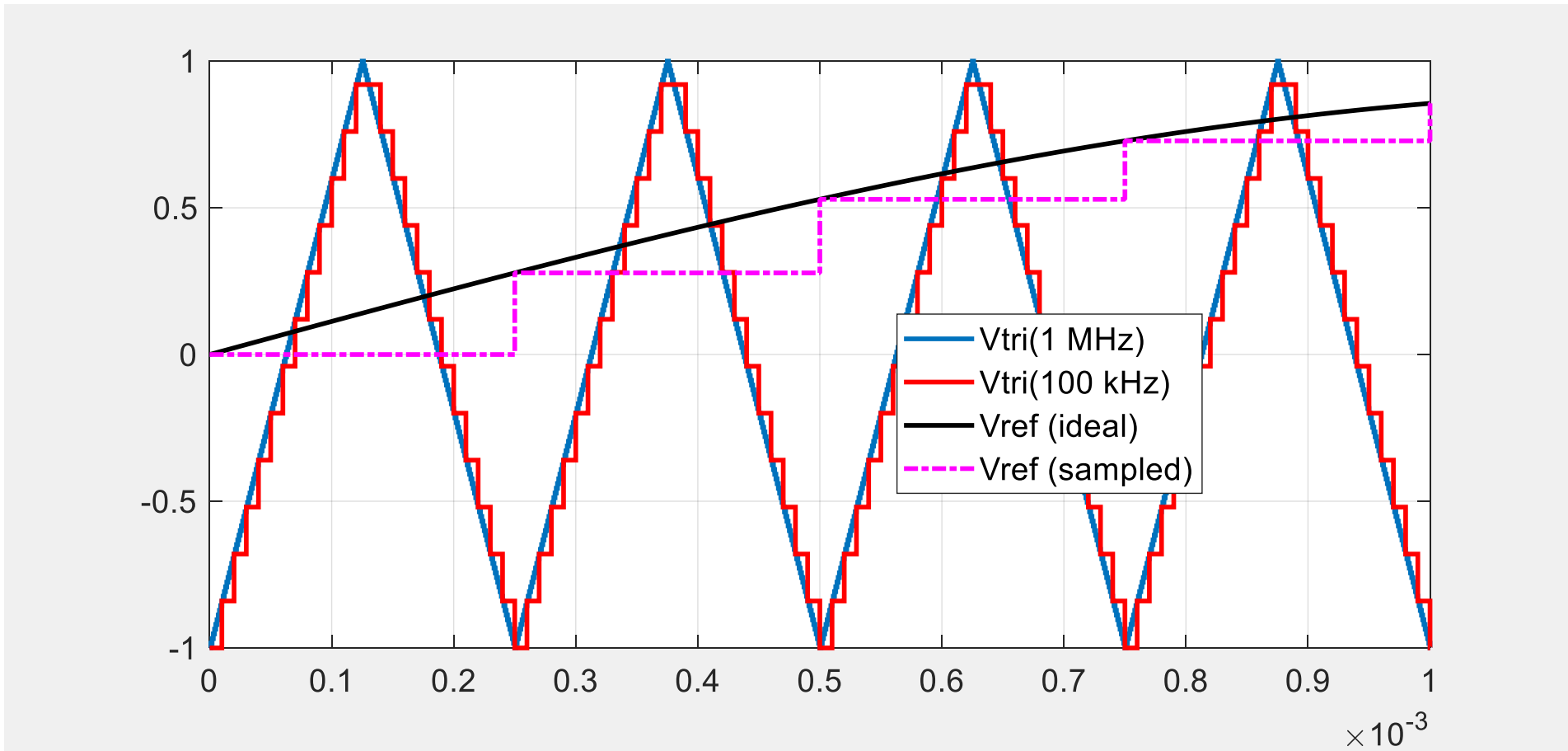


Carrier wave sampling effects

- $f_{sw}=4$ kHz
- $T_s=250$ μ s
- $T_{clk}=10$ μ s (100 kHz)
- 25 samples per carrier cycle (T_s/T_{clk})
- 12.5 samples per half-cycle (-1 to 1 transition)
- Amplitude resolution:
 - $2/12.5 = 16\%$ (100kHz)
 - $2/125 = 1.6\%$ (1 MHz)



Reference sampling effects



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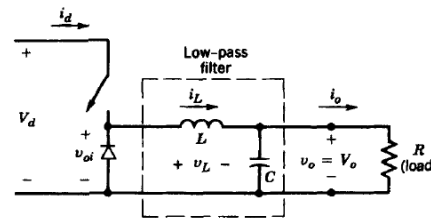
Current Control

Basic control principle.

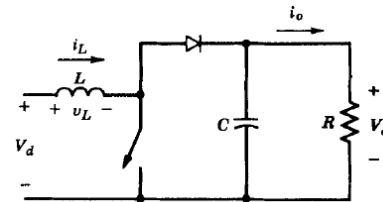
Voltage Source Converter (VSC)

Simplifying the switched mode converters to an average voltage source with adjustable

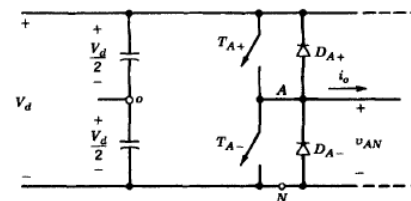
- Amplitude
- Phase angle
- Frequency



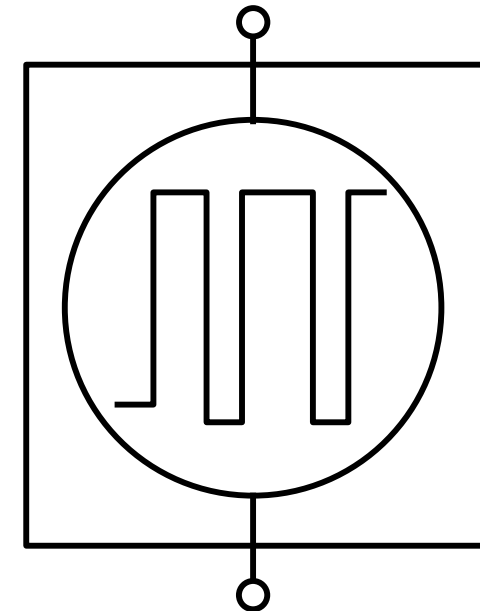
Buck Converter
(step-down DC-DC)



Boost Converter
(step-up DC-DC)



Half-bridge inverter
(DC-AC)

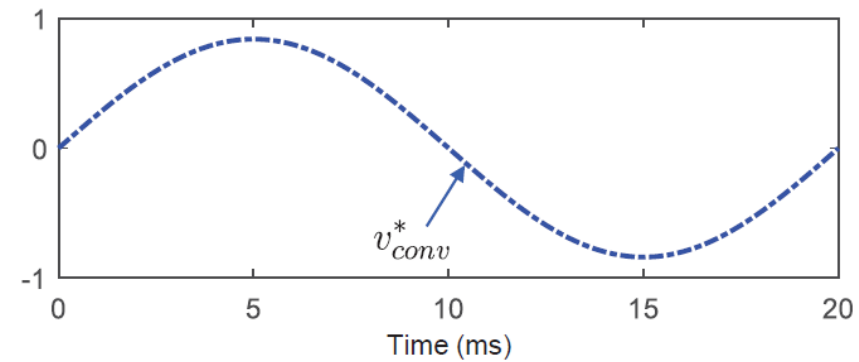
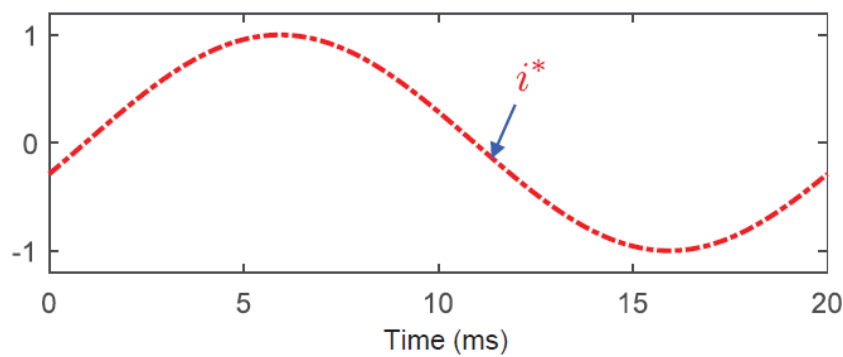
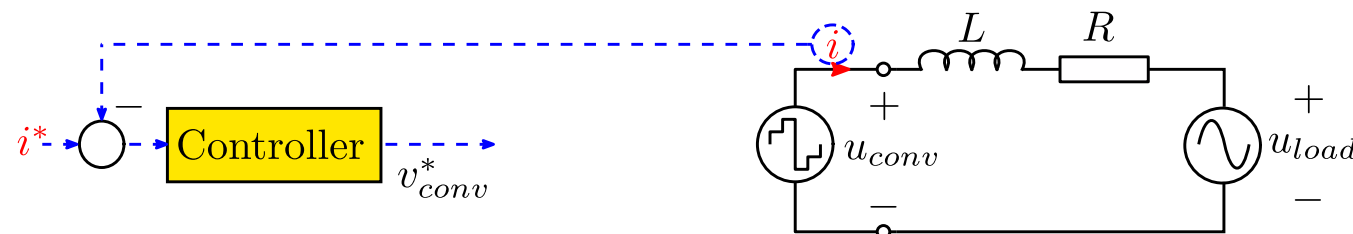


Voltage Source Converter

Introduction to control

Power converter control

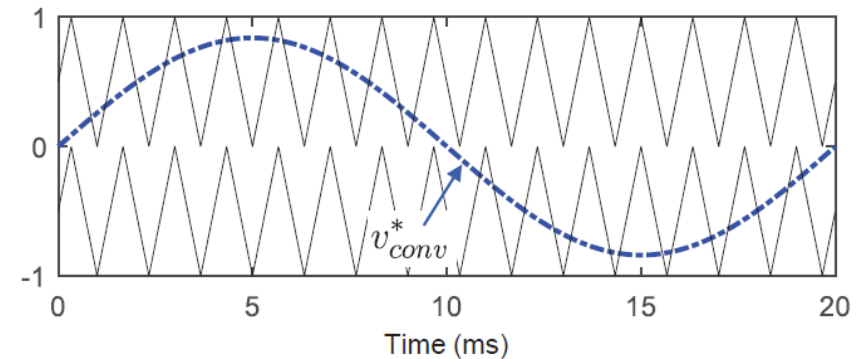
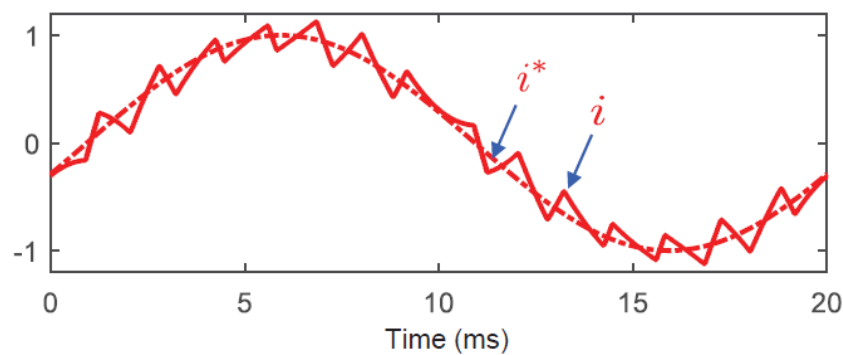
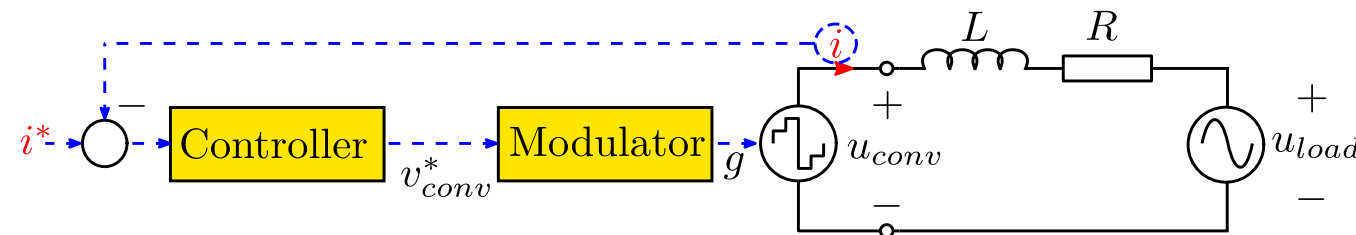
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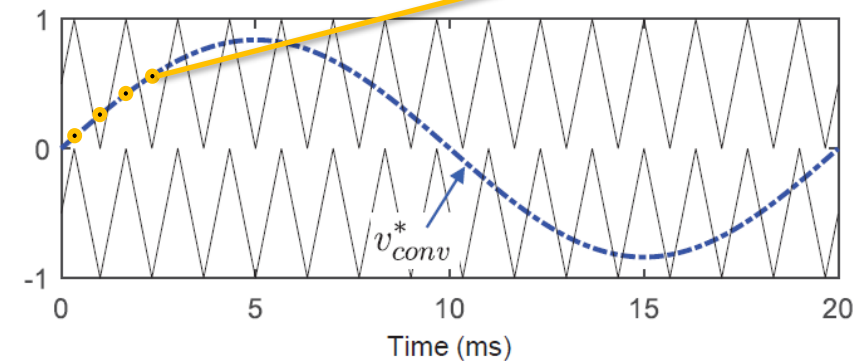
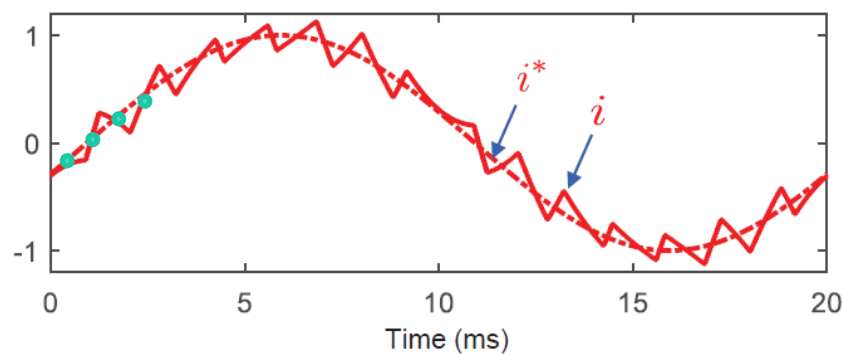
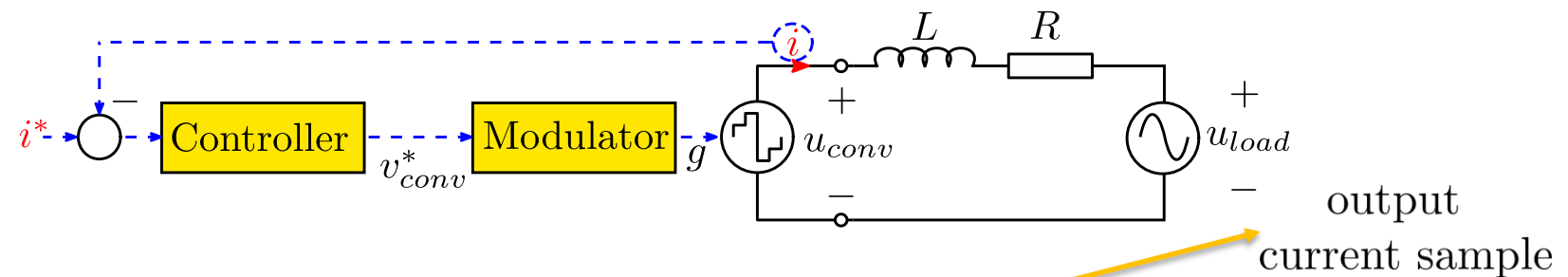
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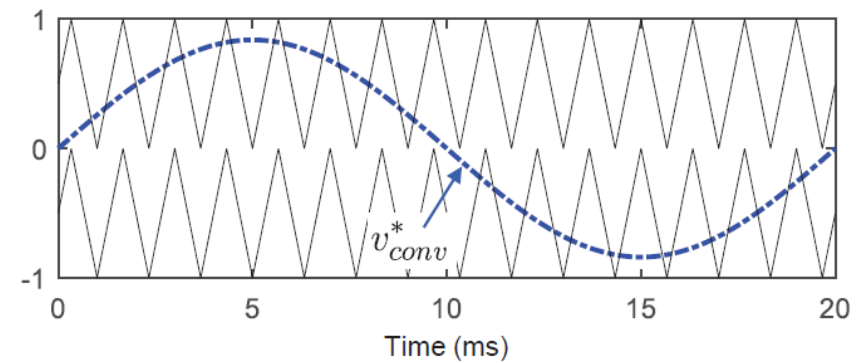
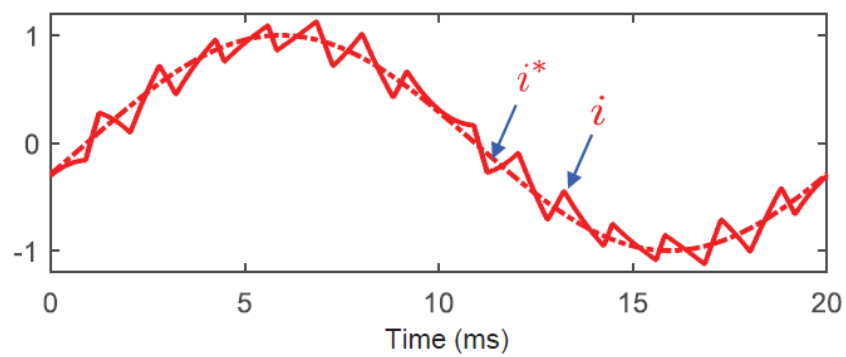
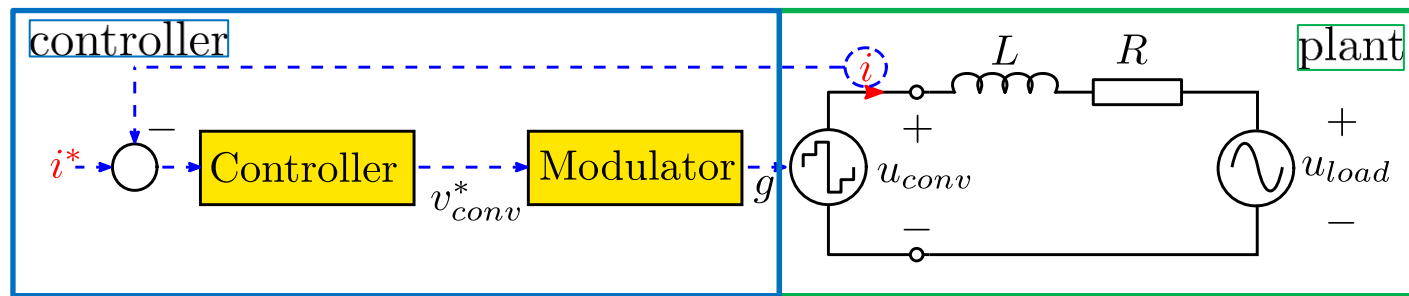
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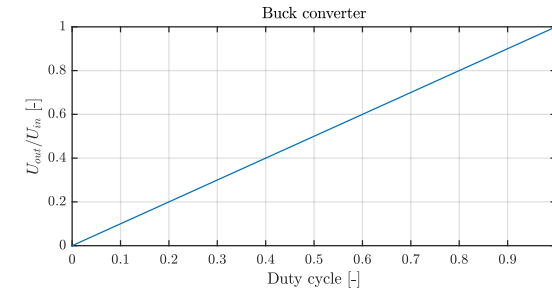
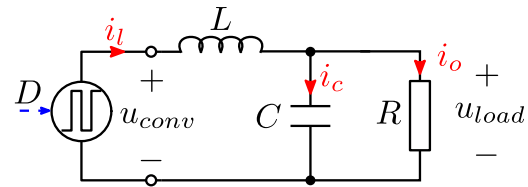
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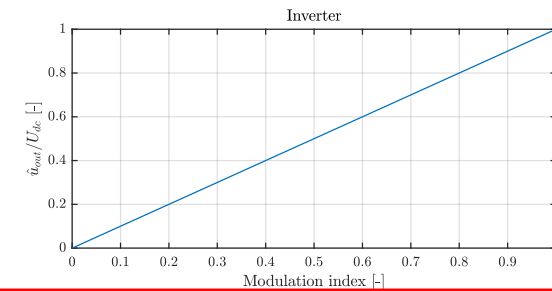
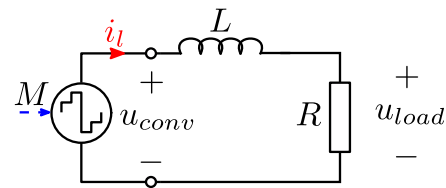


System under control (Plant)

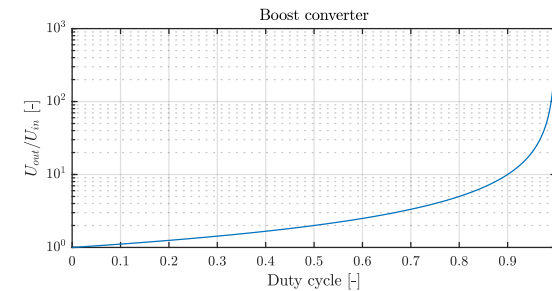
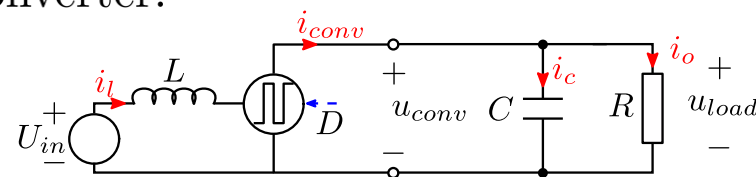
Buck Converter:



Inverter:

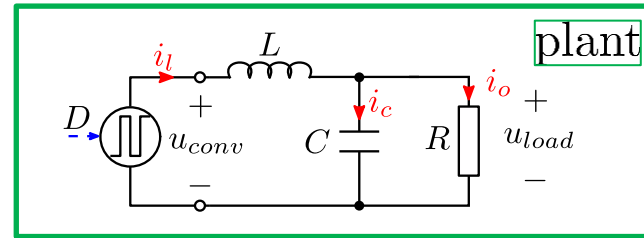


Boost Converter:



Non-linearity

Buck converter



Control Objective Regulate the load current i_o along its reference i_o^* by manipulating the converter duty cycle, D .

$$u_{conv} = L \frac{di_l}{dt} + i_o R$$

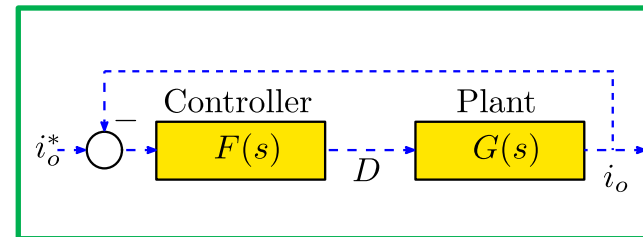
Steady state, average i_l is the same as i_o , and average voltage across capacitor is constant and equal to u_{load} .

Laplace transformation: $u_{conv} = s L i_o + i_o R$

$$D U_{in} = (sL + R)i_o \implies \frac{i_o}{D} = \frac{U_{in}}{sL + R}$$

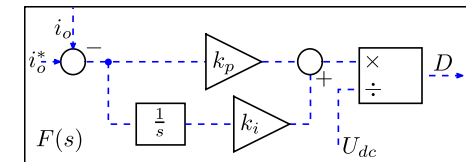
Plant transfer function: $G(s) = \frac{U_{in}}{sL + R}$

Buck converter (closed-loop)



Plant transfer function: $G(s) = \frac{U_{in}}{sL + R}$

Closed-loop transfer function: $\frac{G(s)F(s)}{1 + F(s)G(s)}$



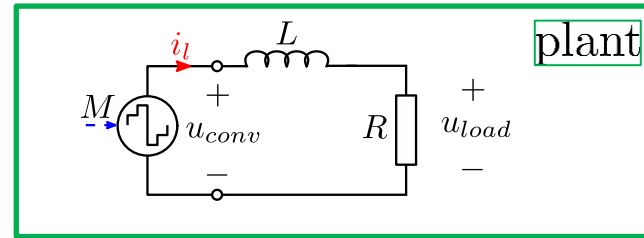
$$\frac{G(s)F(s)}{1 + F(s)G(s)} = \frac{\alpha_c}{s + \alpha_c} = \frac{\alpha_c/s}{1 + \alpha_c/s}. \quad \text{PI Controller: } F(s) = k_p + \frac{1}{s} k_i.$$

$$\text{Now, } F(s)G(s) = \frac{\alpha_c}{s}, \quad F(s) = \frac{\alpha_c}{s} G^{-1}(s), \quad F(s) = \frac{1}{U_{in}} \left(\alpha_c L + \alpha_c R \frac{1}{s} \right).$$

$$k_p = \alpha_c L$$

$$k_i = \alpha_c R$$

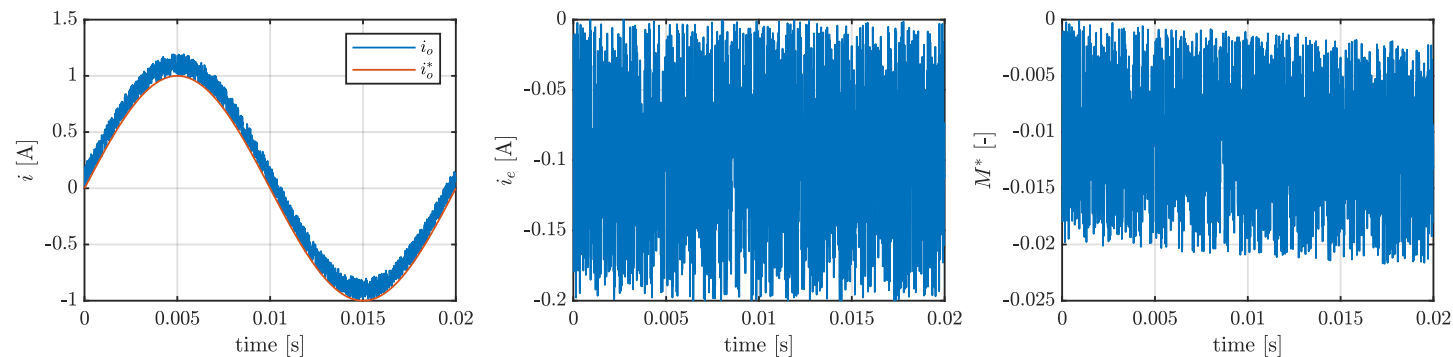
Inverter Control



Control Objective Regulate the load current i_l along its reference i_l^* by manipulating the converter modulation index, M .

current controller: controls both *phase angle* and *amplitude* of i_l .

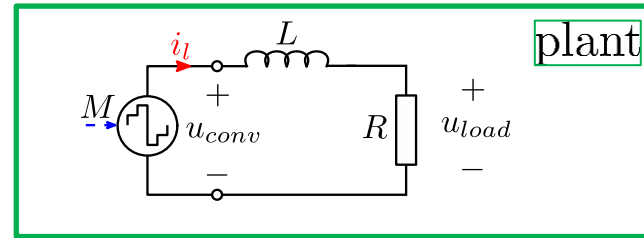
Case 1: PI controller

$$F(s) = k_p + \frac{1}{s} k_i.$$


Note: duty reference M^* should be a sine-wave.

The controller output is no longer sinusoidal and even if it is sinusoidal, there exists a phase delay due to the integrator.

Inverter Control



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If we measure the output voltage u_{load} then, $u_{conv} = \omega L i_l + u_{load}$

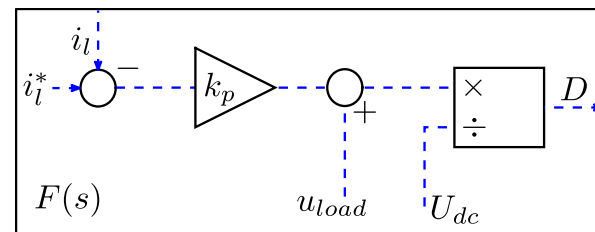
Considering a closed-loop bandwidth of α_c [rad/s].

$$\alpha_c L (i_l^* - i_l) = u_{conv} - u_{load}$$

$$M^* = \boxed{\alpha_c L} (i_l^* - i_l) + u_{load}$$

k_p

P controller with feed-forward



Boost converter

(Average, Small Signal Circuit Model)

Divide the circuit into two halves:

1. Inductor side:

$$G_1(s) = \frac{\tilde{i}_L}{\tilde{d}} = \frac{V_o C s + 2(1 - D)I_L}{L C s^2 + \frac{L}{R} s + (1 - D)^2}$$

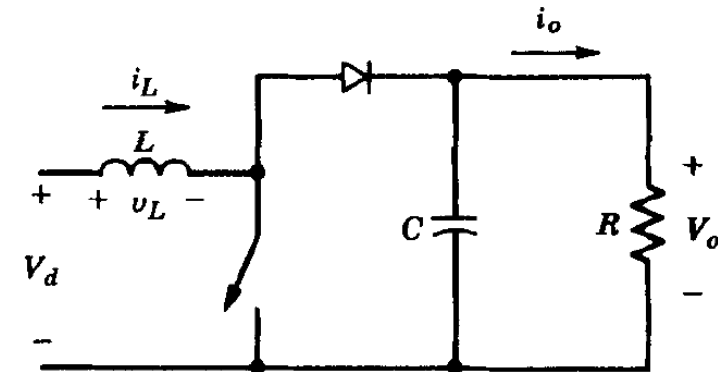
2. Capacitor side:

$$G_2(s) = \frac{\tilde{v}_o}{\tilde{i}_L} = \frac{-I_L L s + (1 - D)V_o}{V_o C s + 2(1 - D)I_L}$$

Converter transfer function:

$$G(s) = G_1(s)G_2(s) = \frac{\tilde{i}_L}{\tilde{d}} \cdot \frac{\tilde{v}_o}{\tilde{i}_L} = \frac{-I_L L s + (1 - D)V_o}{L C s^2 + \frac{L}{R} s + (1 - D)^2}$$

One can design a controller of their choice and the controller gains can be calculated using pole placement with the help of the transfer function.



I_L → inductor current
 L → inductance
 R_{out} → output resistance
 C → capacitance
 V_{out} → output voltage
 D → duty cycle

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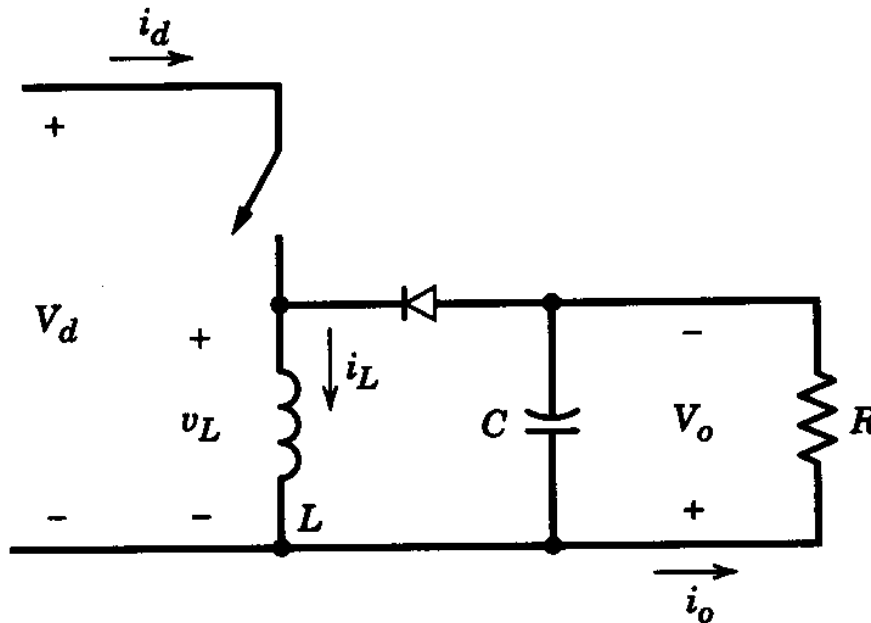
Isolated DC/DC converters

Outline

- The Transformer

- Isolated DC/DC converters

Step-Down/Up (buck-boost) DC-DC Converter



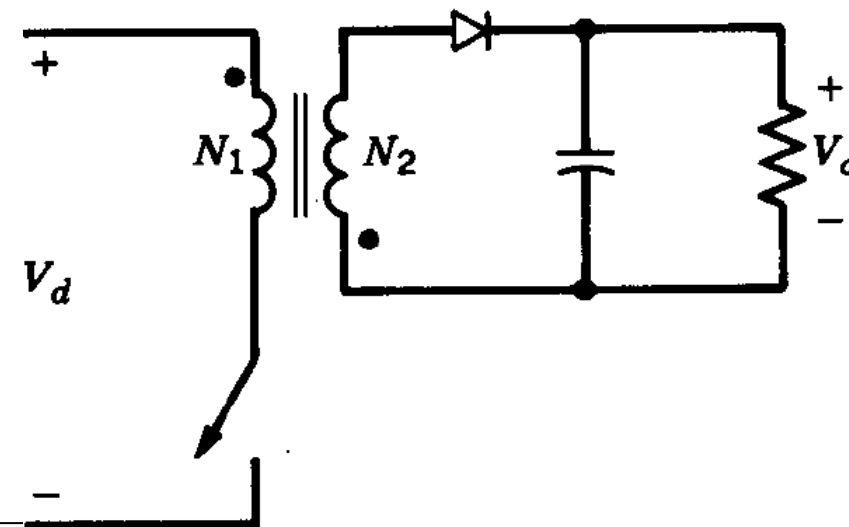
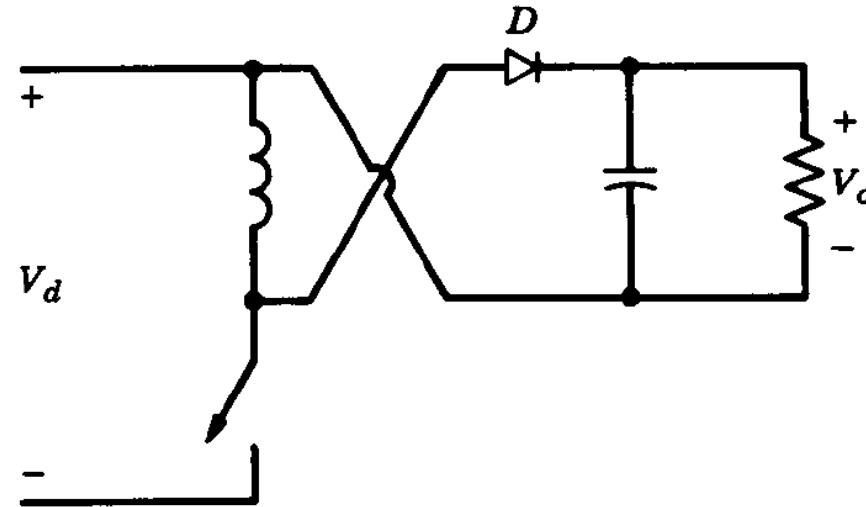
$$\frac{V_o}{V_d} = D \frac{1}{1 - D}$$

Figure 7-18 Buck–boost converter.

- Negative output voltage.
- The output voltage can be higher or lower than the input voltage.

Flyback converter

- Derived from buck-boost structure
- Second winding gives electric isolation
- Only flux flow in one direction
 - Never negative currents in the transformer



Analysis of a Transformer

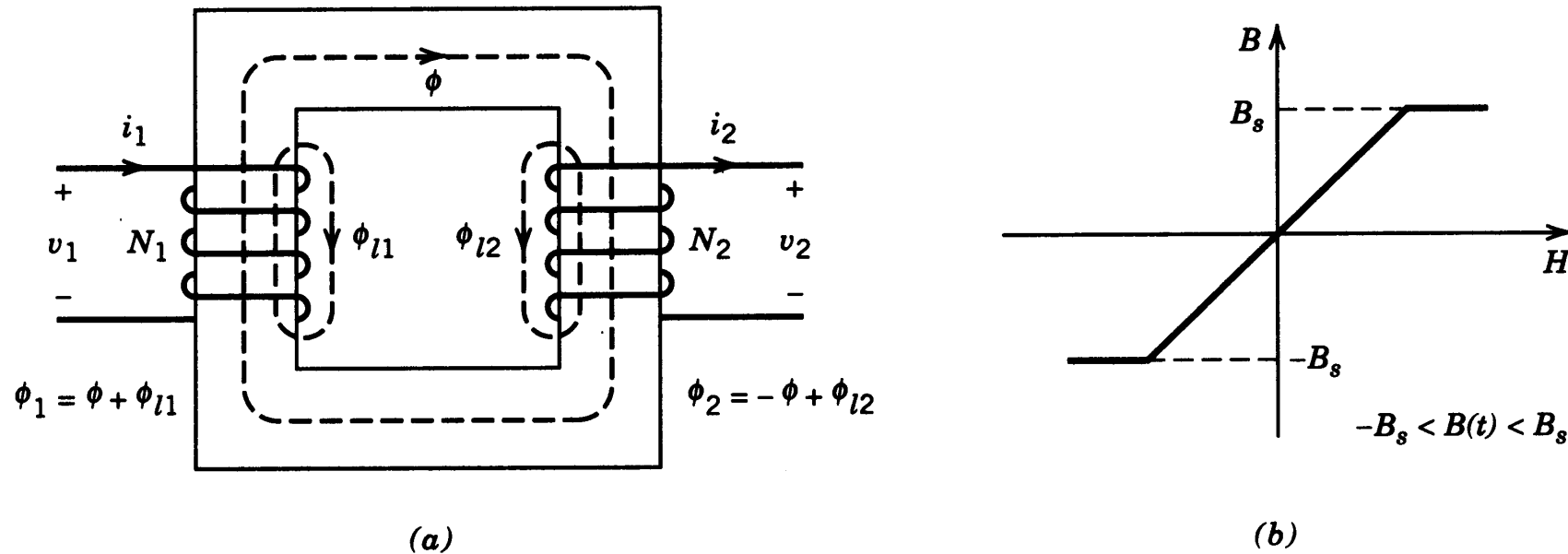


Figure 3-18 (a) Cross section of a transformer. (b) The $B-H$ characteristics of the core.

Transformer Analysis

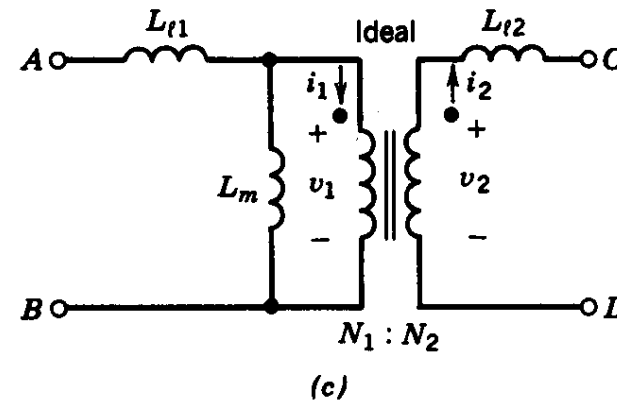
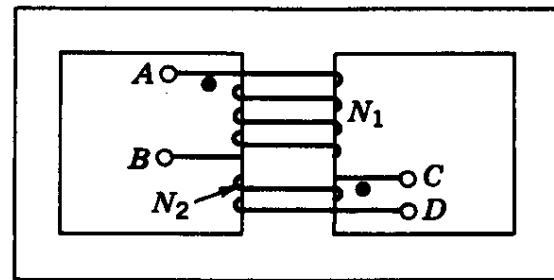
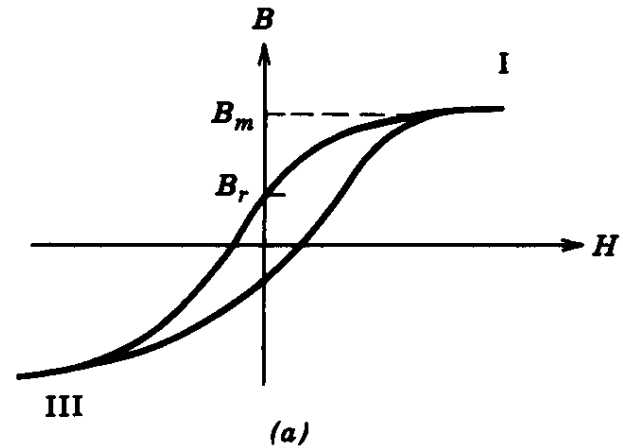
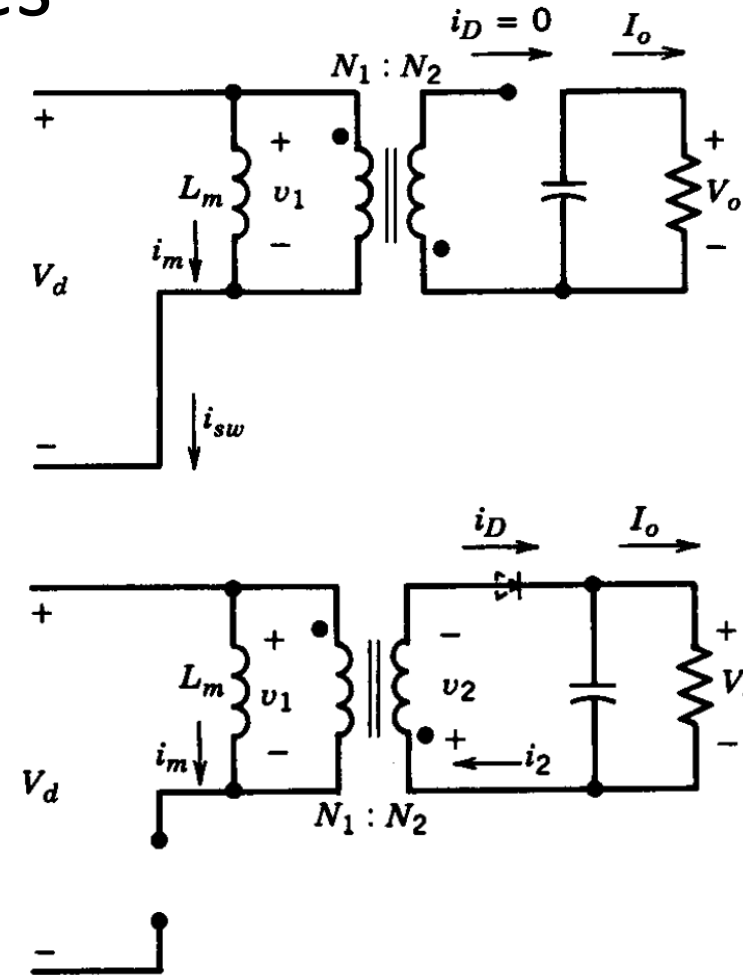


Figure 10-4 Transformer representation: (a) typical $B-H$ loop of transformer core; (b) two-winding transformer; (c) equivalent circuit.

Flyback converter circuit states

- Switch on and switch off
- Continuous conduction mode
 - Incomplete demagnetization
- L_m size important
 - Ideal transformers have an infinite L_m

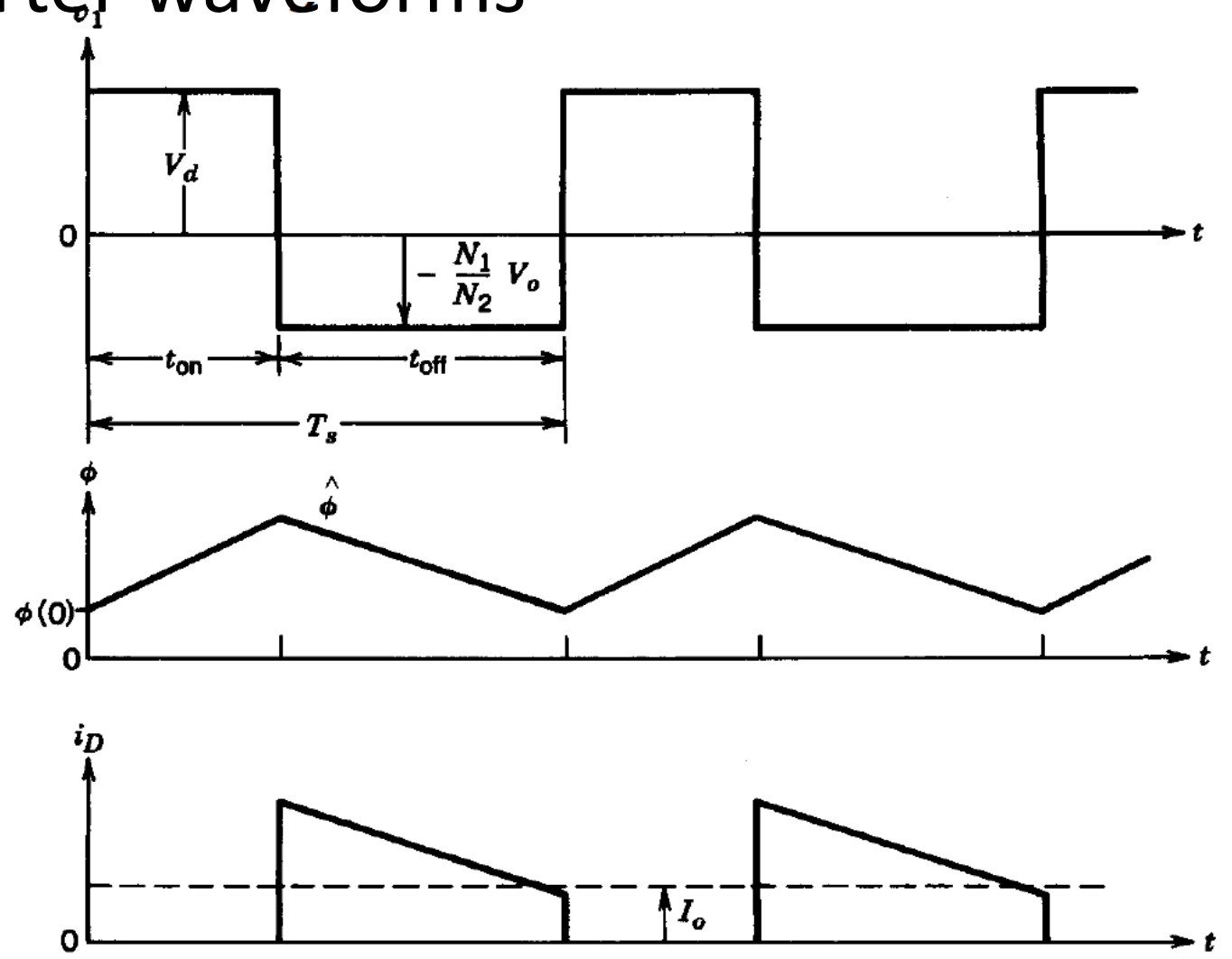


Flyback converter waveforms

- Same control equation as for a buck-boost converter but includes the turns ratio.

$$D = \frac{t_{on}}{T_s}$$

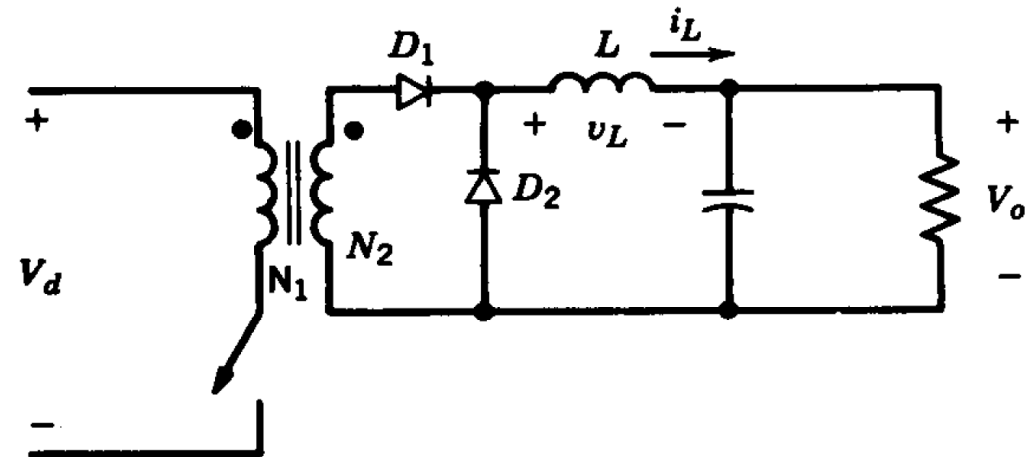
$$\frac{V_o}{V_d} = \frac{N_2}{N_1} \frac{D}{1 - D}$$



Forward converter

- Derived from step-down converter
- Ideal transformer assumed
 - Transformer magnetizing current not included.
 - Converter failure if not taken care of.

$$\frac{V_o}{V_d} = \frac{N_2}{N_1} D$$

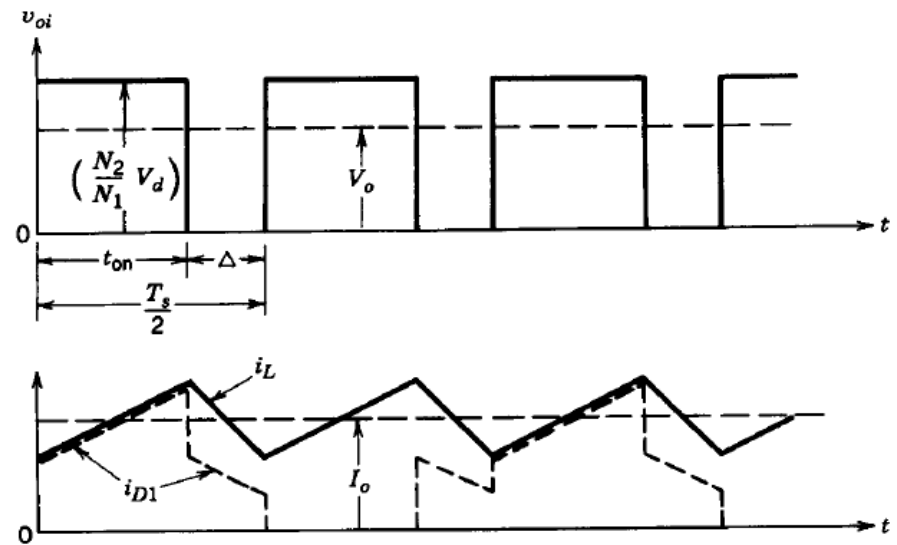
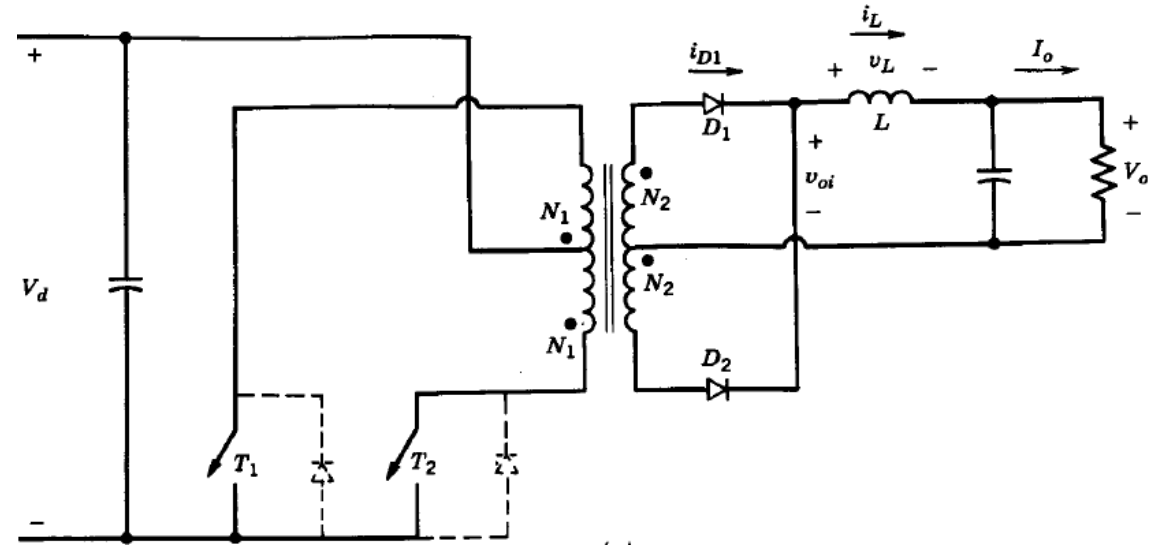


Push-pull converter

- Derived from step-down converter
- Diodes due to leakage inductances
- PWM control

$$\frac{V_o}{V_d} = 2 \frac{N_2}{N_1} D$$

$$0 < D < 0.5$$



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