

Note: The answers can be given either in English or Finnish.

- Question 1.** The next six subquestions are related to certain relevant terms in power electronics and the inductor current shown in Fig. 1. **a)** Explain the meaning of Vs balance, **b)** Explain the meaning of As balance, **c)** What is the operating mode of the converter having inductor current as shown in Fig. 1 (CCM, DCM or BCM) ?, **d)** What is the switching frequency of the converter? **e)** If we assume that the converter is a Buck converter, what is its average output current? and **f)** what is its average input current? Each subquestion will give one point.

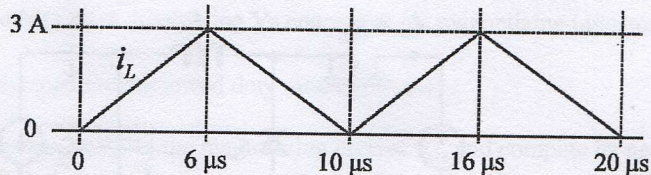


Fig. 1

- Question 2.** Fig. 2 shows the sample waveforms of the input and output currents as well as the capacitor voltage of an ideal basic second-order switched-mode converter. The output voltage of the converter is 75 V. **a)** What is the name of the converter (buck, boost or buck-boost)?, **b)** what is its operating mode (CCM, DCM, or BCM)?, **c)** what is its duty ratio?, **d)** what is its input voltage?, **e)** What is the value of its inductor L, and **f)** What is the value of its output capacitor C? Each subquestion gives 1 p.

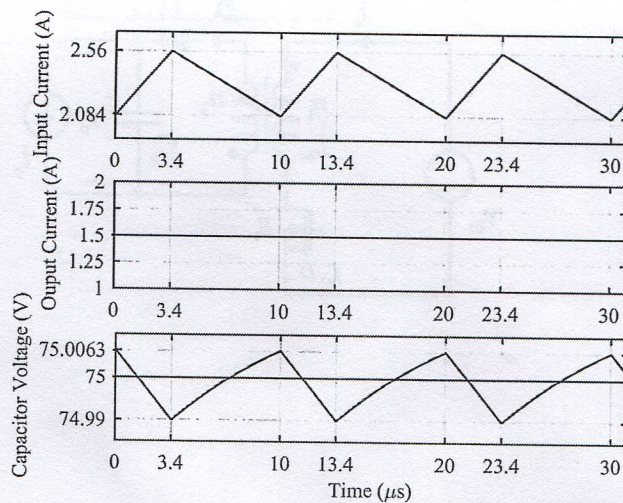


Fig. 2

- Question 3.** Fig. 3 shows the power stage of an ideal buck converter having switching frequency f_s of 150 kHz. Its K_{crit} value equals D' . a) Choose the value of the inductor L such that the converter operates in DCM when the output voltage and current are 50 V and 1 A as well as the input voltage varies in the range of 60-150 V (3 pts). b) Define the value of duty cycle (D) when the output voltage and current are as defined above and the input voltage equals 80 V (2 pts), and c) Define the peak-to-peak inductor current at the same operating point as in (b) (1 pt).

$$D = M \sqrt{\frac{K}{1-M}} \quad K = \frac{2L}{T_s R_{eq}}$$

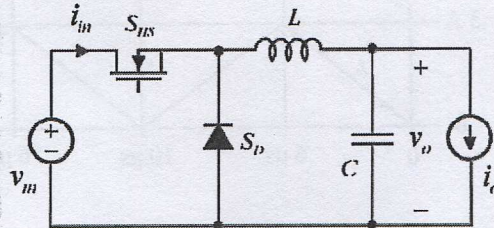


Fig. 3

- Question 4.** The switching frequency of the Flyback converter in Fig. 4 equals 150 kHz, and the converter operates in DCM. Its input voltage $V_{in} = 350$ V, output voltage $V_o = 48$ V, transformer turns ratio $n_2/n_1 = 0.21$, $L_M = 2$ mH, $C_o = 330$ μ F, and output power $P_o = 48$ W. The duty ratio is defined by $D = M \sqrt{K}$ and the critical K by D^2 . Assume the output diode D_1 to be ideal. Define a) the maximum voltage of the switch S_1 , b) the maximum voltage of the diode D_1 , c) the K value of the converter, d) the duty ratio, e) the peak current of S_1 , and f) the average current of the diode D_1 . Each subquestion gives 1 pt.

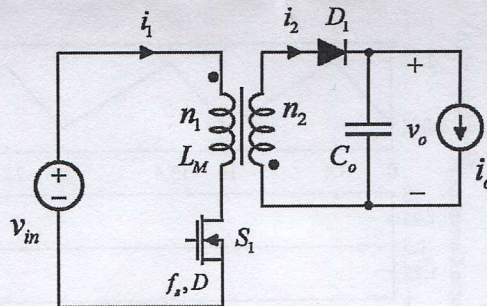


Fig. 4

Question 5. An active reset Forward converter is shown in Fig. 5. The converter works in such a way that the main switch S_1 conducts during the on time, and the auxiliary switch S_2 during the off time, respectively. The input voltage is 200 V, the switching frequency is 100 kHz, and the magnetizing inductance is 4 mH, respectively. The active reset capacitor is large enough so that its voltage can be assumed constant. The absolute maximum voltage of the MOSFET S_1 is 600 V. Derating of 15 % is required for reliability reasons.

- Compute the steady-state voltage v_{CR} as a function of the input voltage and the duty ratio D of the MOSFET S_1 applying Vs concept to the magnetizing inductor. (2 pts)
- What is the maximum allowed duty ratio D ? (2 pts)
- Sketch the waveform of the magnetizing current i_{LM} and compute its peak value when the duty ratio is the allowed maximum. (2 pts)

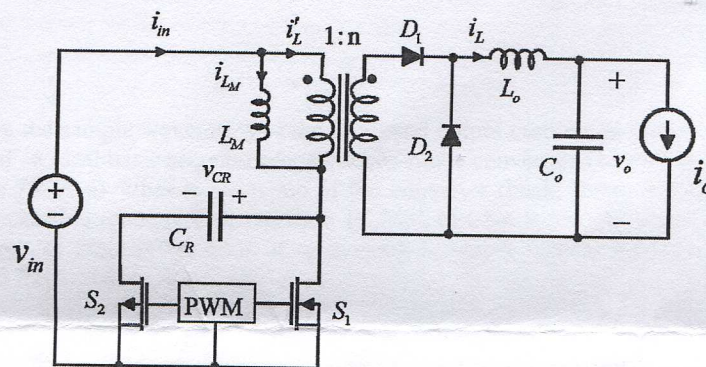


Fig. 5