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Single Input DC to Multiple Output DC Buck Converter

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ABSTRACT

This paper proposes a new single-input three-outputDC-DC buck converter. The proposed topology has single input DC to multiple output dc-dc converter which has two less switching devices than that of a conventional converter. This decrease in switching devices leads to lesser cost and a more even division of power losses among the switching devices. A comprehensive small signal Modeling and control strategies for the dc-dc converter will be presented. Simulation and experimental results are presented to validate the theoretical expectations. The simulation is performed using PSIM.

KEYWORDS: AC-DC converter, DC-DC buck converter, bidirectional, unidirectional, small signal analysis.

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INTRODUCTION

Applications of DC-DC converters include renewable energy systems¹, hybrid electric vehicles^{5, 6}, and uninterrupted power supplies^{7,8}. DC-DC converters can be made with both unidirectional and bidirectional power flow capabilities¹⁻⁴. The unidirectional converter is made using a power switch, a power diode, and an *LC* filter^{1-3, 14}. The bidirectional converter is achieved by removing the power diode and placing a power switch in parallel with the *LC* filter. Fig. 1(a) shows that by replicating the bidirectional circuit three times, a bidirectional single-input three-output converter can be achieved. In¹³, bidirectional DC-DC converters were shown to require smaller sized filters than that of a unidirectional converter. Faster dynamic response and lower device stress were also noted in the bidirectional converter¹³. In¹², a bidirectional DC-DC converter topology was proposed for use in applications that do not require magnetic components.

Applications such as communication systems and battery management systems require a DC-DC buck converter with multiple controlled outputs. In¹⁷, a configuration was proposed that uses a single inductor for obtaining three controlled outputs. A three switch DC-DC buck converter topology was proposed in¹⁸ that can be used in applications that require two controlled outputs. In this paper, a novel single-input three-output DC-DC buck converter has proposed. The proposed topology requires two fewer power switches than that of the conventional single-input three-output DC-DC buck converter. The differences of these converters are highlighted in Fig. 1.

PROPOSED CONVERTER

The proposed topology consists of four power switches (S1, S2, S3, and S4) and three low pass filters (L1-C1, L2-C2, and L3-C3). The state of the each switch is represented by binary variables, that is, qx= 0 indicates that switch Sx is OFF, and qx= 1 indicate switch Sx is ON, where x=1, 2, 3, and 4. Since there are four switches and two states for each switch, we attain 16 ways of operating the converter. Of these 16 states, only four are operational. All the other switching combinations should be avoided because in that particular instant output of any one of the load is discontinuous. Table 1 provides the topological states (TS) where TS-1, TS-2, TS-3, and TS-4 represent the operational states. It can be observed from Fig.2 that:

For TS-1 (q1 = 0, q2 = 1, q3 = 1, and q4 = 1), the input energy is supplied to all the loads and inductors. This means inductors L1, L2, and L3 will be charged (see Fig. 2(b)).

For TS-2 (q1 = 1, q2 = 0, q3 = 1, and q4 = 1), the input energy is provided to R1, L1, R2, and L2. Energy stored in inductor L3 is dissipated. In Fig. 2(b), iL3 flows in the closed path formed by switch S4.

For TS-3 (q1 = 1, q2 = 1, q3 = 0, and q4 = 1), the input energy is provided to R1 and L1. Energy stored in inductors L2 and L3 is dissipated. This means the current iL2 will be flowing in the closed path (see Fig. 2(c)) formed by switch S3 and S4, and current iL3 will be flowing in the closed path formed by switch S4.

Finally, in TS-4 (q1 = 1, q2 = 1, q3 = 1, and q4 = 0), energy provided to all the inductors dissipates to their respective loads. Currents iL1, iL2, and iL3 are discharged during this state (see Fig. 2(d)).

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q1	1	1	1	0
q2	1	1	0	1
q3	1	0	1	1
q4	0	1	1	1
Topological states	TS-1	TS-2	TS-3	TS-4

Table-1 Topological states

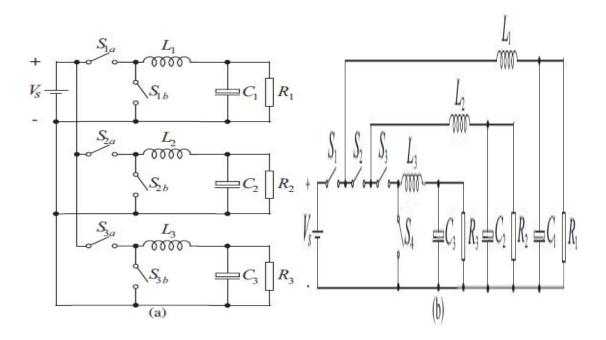


Fig. 1.Synchronous single-input multiple-output DC-DC converter for (a) conventional topology, and (b) the proposed topology.

STEADY STATE ANALYSIS

The proposed converter is assumed to be operating in continuous conduction mode with inductor waveforms shown in Fig. 3(a). From the waveforms and topological states obtained in the preceding sections, it can be deduced that variable V_{R1} controls output voltage V_{o1} , variable V_{R2} controls output voltage V_{o2} , and variable V_{R3} controls output voltage V_{o3} . Since the average inductor voltage is zero, the following equations can be obtained:

$$(V_s - V_{01})T_{on1} = V_{01} (T_s - T_{on1})$$
 (1)

$$(V_s - V_{02}) (T_s - T_{on2}) = V_{02} T_{on2}$$
 (2)

$$(V_s - V_{03}) (T_s - T_{0n3}) = V_{03} T_{0n3}$$
 (3)

Here T_{on1} , T_{on2} , and T_{on3} are the time periods for the duration of which respective PWM generators 1, 2, and 3 are producing logic "1" at their output.

From the above equations, the output voltages can be derived as a function of their duty cycles and supply voltage. The output voltages are represented by the following equations

$$V_{01} = (D_{gen1})V_{s}. \tag{4}$$

$$V_{02} = (1 - D_{qen2})V_{s}. (5)$$

$$V_{03} = \left(1 - D_{gen3}\right)V_s. \tag{6}$$

where D_{gen1} , D_{gen2} , and D_{gen3} represent the duty cycles.

INDEPENDENT OUTPUT VOLTAGE GENERATION

The duty cycle of switch S_1 can be ranging from a minimum value of 0 to a maximum value of 1. Assuming the duty cycle for switch S_1 is $D_1 = 3/4$, the output voltage on load 1 would be 75% of the input voltage. The duty cycle of switch S_2 can be ranging from 0 to D_1 . Similarly, the duty cycle of the switch S_3 can be ranging from 0 to D_2 . As a consequence, the output voltage across load 1 is always higher than the voltage across load 2, and the output voltage across load 2 is always higher than the output voltage across load 3. In conventional converters, the output voltage at each load can be varied by varying their respective duty cycles from 0 to 1. This means $0 < D_1 < 1$, $0 < D_2 < 1$, and $0 < D_3 < 1$.

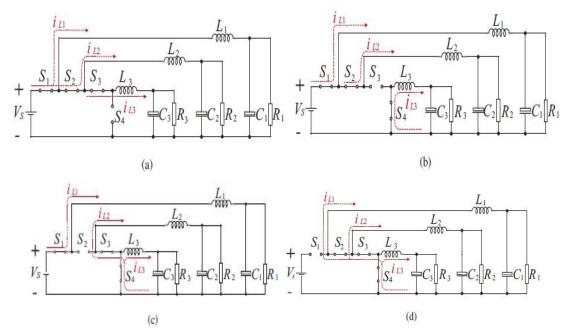


Fig. 2. Modes of operation: (a) TS-1, (b) TS-2, (c) TS-3, and (d) TS-4.

PULSE WIDTH MODULATION

The four switches discussed in the preceding section are operated using pulse width modulation(PWM) technique. This modulation approach deals with a comparison of reference voltages V_{R1}^* , V_{R2}^* , and V_{R3}^* with a saw-tooth waveform. The output of this comparison goes through a logic circuit which dictates the state of the switches. These reference voltages will control the output voltages across R_1 , R_2 , and R_3 . Note that the output of the first PWM generator will be the difference between the saw-tooth waveform and V_{R1}^* . Likewise, the output of the second and third PWM generator will be obtained with respect to V_{R2}^* , and V_{R3}^* respectively.

The PWM logic circuit realization is shown in Fig. 3(d) is used for controlling the duty cycle of the switches. This circuit is built, based on few conclusions that were developed from the operation of the converter described during its corresponding topological state.

The charging of inductor L_1 is entirely dependent on switch S_1 . Hence, the first PWM generator can be directly connected to switch S_1 to control the output voltages V_{01} or the state of inductor L_1 .

During the topological state (TS-4), switch S_2 is "ON," at the same time, inductor L_2 is discharging during this period. This means that the charging and discharging of the

inductor L_2 is not dependent on the state of the switch S_2 . Note that, switch S_2 should be operated in such a way that topological states TS-1 and TS-2 remain for an interval that can be defined by the second PWM generator. In addition, switch S_2 should be controlled in such a way that prohibited states are avoided. These requirements are achieved by using a two input "OR" gate and a "NOT" gate shown in Fig. 3(c).

By similar observation, switch S_3 should be operated in such a way that topological state TS-1 remains for an interval of time that is defined by third PWM generator. Switch S_3 should also be controlled in such a way that, it stays "ON" when either of switches S_1 or S_2 turns "OFF." These requirements can be satisfied by using a three input "OR" gatein which, the output of third PWM generator and the inverse of the first and second generators are connected.

Finally, switch S_4 defined by the state of the switches S_1 , S_2 , and S_3 . This means that the function of switch S_4 in the circuitry is to avoid the prohibited states. This control of the switch can be achieved by using a "NAND" gate. Fig. 3(c) shows the gating signals that are obtained for switches S_1 , S_2 , S_3 , and S_4 respectively.

SMALL SIGNAL ANALYSIS

In the case of designing a controller or assessing the performance for a converter, the linearization techniques discussed in ¹⁹ can be used. In order to have a clear understanding on the dynamics of the novel configuration, small signal analysis is performed and transfer functions are derived. Following the procedure outlined in ²⁰. Kirchoff's laws is applied on the topological states, and their corresponding equations are as follows:

Topological state-1:

$$L_1 \frac{di_{L1}}{dt} + V_{01} = V_S \tag{7}$$

$$L_2 \frac{di_{L2}}{dt} + V_{02} = V_S \tag{8}$$

$$L_3 \frac{di_{L3}}{dt} + V_{03} = V_s \tag{9}$$

$$C_1 \frac{dV_{01}}{dt} + \frac{V_{01}}{R_1} = i_{L1} \tag{10}$$

$$C_2 \frac{dV_{02}}{dt} + \frac{V_{02}}{R_2} = i_{L2} \tag{11}$$

$$C_3 \frac{dV_{03}}{dt} + \frac{V_{03}}{R_3} = i_{L3} \tag{12}$$

Topological state-2:

$$L_1 \frac{di_{L1}}{dt} + V_{01} = V_S \tag{13}$$

$$L_2 \frac{di_{L2}}{dt} + V_{02} = V_S \tag{14}$$

$$L_3 \frac{di_{L3}}{dt} + V_{03} = 0 15)$$

$$C_1 \frac{dV_{01}}{dt} + \frac{V_{01}}{R_1} = i_{L1} \tag{16}$$

$$C_2 \frac{dV_{02}}{dt} + \frac{V_{02}}{R_2} = i_{L2} \tag{17}$$

$$\frac{V_{03}}{R_3} - C_3 \frac{dV_{03}}{dt} = i_{L3} \tag{18}$$

Topological state-3:

$$L_1 \frac{di_{L1}}{dt} + V_{01} = V_s \tag{19}$$

$$L_2 \frac{di_{L2}}{dt} + V_{02} = 0 (20)$$

$$L_3 \frac{di_{L3}}{dt} + V_{03} = 0 21)$$

$$C_1 \frac{dV_{01}}{dt} + \frac{V_{01}}{R_1} = i_{L1} \tag{22}$$

$$\frac{V_{02}}{R_2} - C_2 \frac{dV_{02}}{dt} = i_{L2}$$
 23)

$$\frac{V_{03}}{R_3} - C_3 \frac{dV_{03}}{dt} = i_{L3} \tag{24}$$

Topological state-4:

$$L_1 \frac{di_{L1}}{dt} + V_{01} = 0 25)$$

$$L_2 \frac{di_{L2}}{dt} + V_{02} = 0 (26)$$

$$L_3 \frac{di_{L3}}{dt} + V_{03} = 0 (27)$$

$$\frac{v_{01}}{R_1} - C_1 \frac{dv_{01}}{dt} = i_{L1} \tag{28}$$

$$\frac{V_{02}}{R_2} - C_2 \frac{dV_{02}}{dt} = i_{L2} \tag{29}$$

$$\frac{V_{03}}{R_3} - C_3 \frac{dV_{03}}{dt} = i_{L3} \tag{30}$$

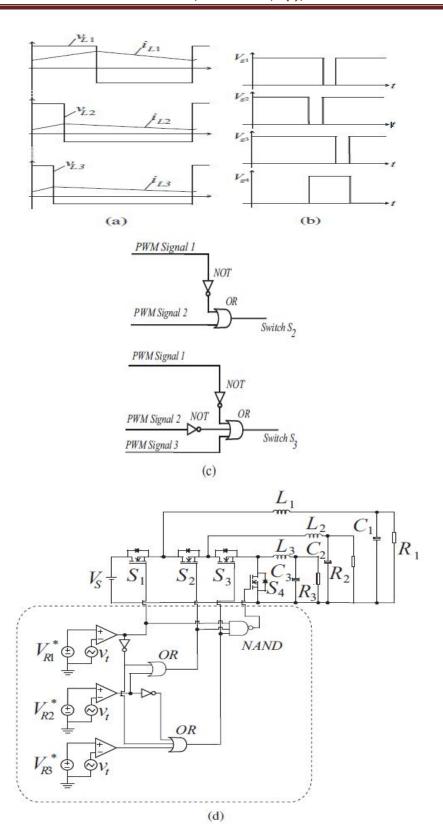


Fig. 3. (a) Voltage and current waveforms for L_1 , L_2 , and L_3 , (b) Gating signal for switches S_1 , S_2 , S_3 , and S_4 respectively, (c) Logic circuits for definingthe state of switches S_2 , and S_3 , (d) PWM implementation for the proposed topology.

The above equations are expressed in the form of state space equations and their resultant state space matrices are represented below. Here, A_1 , B_1 , and C_1 are the state space matrices which are obtained for the topological state-1. Similarly, the corresponding state space equations for TS-2, TS-3, and TS-4 were also derived and are as follows:

$$A_{1} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{-1}{L_{1}} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{-1}{L_{2}} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{-1}{L_{3}} \\ \frac{1}{c_{1}} & 0 & 0 & \frac{-1}{R_{1}c_{1}} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{c_{2}} & 0 & 0 & \frac{-1}{R_{2}c_{2}} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{c_{3}} & 0 & 0 & \frac{-1}{R_{3}c_{3}} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A_{2} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{-1}{L_{1}} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{-1}{L_{2}} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{-1}{L_{3}} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{c_{2}} & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{R_{2}c_{2}} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{-1}{c_{3}} & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{R_{3}c_{3}} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A_{3} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{-1}{L_{1}} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{-1}{L_{2}} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{-1}{L_{2}} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{R_{2}c_{2}} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{R_{2}c_{2}} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{-1}{c_{2}} & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{R_{2}c_{2}} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(32)$$

$$A_{4} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{-1}{L_{1}} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{-1}{L_{2}} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{-1}{L_{3}} \\ \frac{-1}{c_{1}} & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{R_{1}C_{1}} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{-1}{c_{2}} & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{R_{2}C_{2}} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{-1}{c_{3}} & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{R_{3}C_{3}} \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$(34)$$

$$B_{1} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{L_{1}} \\ \frac{1}{L_{2}} \\ \frac{1}{L_{3}} \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} B_{2} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{L_{1}} \\ \frac{1}{L_{2}} \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} B_{3} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{L_{1}} \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} B_{4} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(35)$$

$$C_1 = C_2 = C_3 = C_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
 (36)

From the topological states that were depicted in the Fig. 2, it is good to mention that the converter operates in these states for a definite period of time. If D_a, D_b,D_c,and D_d are considered as duty cycles for the respective topologies TS- 1, TS-2, TS-3, and TS-4. State space matrices for the whole converter are derived by adding the resultant matrices, which are obtained by multiplying the above state space matrices (31)-(34) with their corresponding topological duty cycles. Equations represented below are the state space equations for the proposed single input triple output DC-DC buck converter.

$$\frac{di_{L1}}{dt} = \frac{-(V_{01})}{L_1} + \frac{(T_1 + T_2 + T_3)V_S}{L_1}$$
 (37)

$$\frac{di_{L2}}{dt} = \frac{-(V_{02})}{L_2} + \frac{(T_1 + T_2)V_S}{L_2}$$
 (38)

$$\frac{di_{L3}}{dt} = \frac{-(V_{03})}{L_3} + \frac{(T_1)V_S}{L_3}$$
 (39)

$$\frac{dV_{01}}{dt} = \frac{(T_1 + T_2 + T_3 - T_4) (i_{L1})}{C_1} + \frac{(T_1 + T_2 + T_3 - T_4) V_{01}}{R_1 C_1} (40)$$

$$\frac{dV_{02}}{dt} = \frac{(T_1 + T_2 - T_3 - T_4)(i_{L2})}{C_1} + \frac{(T_1 + T_2 - T_3 - T_4)V_{02}}{R_2C_2} (41)$$

$$\frac{dV_{03}}{dt} = \frac{(T_1 - T_2 - T_3 - T_4)(i_{L3})}{C_1} + \frac{(T_1 - T_2 - T_3 - T_4)V_{02}}{R_3C_3} (42)$$

Laplace transformation is applied on the converter's state space equations, and transfer functions are derived. The obtained transfer functions are:

$$\frac{V_{01}(s)}{V_{s}(s)} = \frac{(D_a + D_b + D_c)(D_x) R_1}{S^2(R_1 L_1 C_1) + (L_1(D_x))S + (D_x)R_1}$$
(43)

$$\frac{V_{02}(s)}{V_s(s)} = \frac{(D_a + D_b)(D_y)R_2}{S^2(R_2L_2C_2) + (L_2(D_y))S + (D_y)R_2}$$
(44)

$$\frac{V_{03}(s)}{V_S(s)} = \frac{(D_a)(D_y)R_3}{S^2(R_3L_3C_3) + (L_3(D_z))S + (D_z)R_3}$$
(45)

Where $D_x = (D_a + D_b + D_c - D_d)$

$$D_{\nu} = (D_a + D_b - D_c - D_d)$$
, and

$$D_z = (D_a - D_b - D_c - D_d)$$

In order to express the output variables with respect to input and control parameters, topological duty cycles D_a , D_b , D_c , and D_d are correlated with the duty cycles generated by PWM generators 1, 2, and 3. Resultant expressions are programmed in the following equations.

$$D_a + D_b + D_c = D_{gen1} (46)$$

$$D_a + D_b = D_{aen2} (47)$$

$$D_a = D_{gen3} (48)$$

Since the state space frequency of DC-DC converter is zero, by Substituting the above equations(46)-(48) in (43)-(45), the transfer functions can be minimized into the following expressions.

$$\frac{V_{01}(s)}{V_{s}(s)} = D_{gen1} \tag{49}$$

$$\frac{V_{02}(s)}{V_{s}(s)} = D_{gen2} \tag{50}$$

$$\frac{V_{03}(s)}{V_{c}(s)} = D_{gen3} \tag{51}$$

COMPARISON OF SWITCHING LOSSES AMONG THE TOPOLOGIES

This section discusses the advantages and disadvantages of the proposed topology when it is compared with the traditional configuration. PSIM software offers thermal

modules that are used to calculate the losses. Specifically, the one used for this comparison was for the IRFP 460 MOSFET. Fig. 4(a) shows the total semiconductor losses for both topologies. It can be seen that under some load conditions, the proposed topology offers semiconductor losses that are better, poorer or even the same as for a conventional one. Even though it does not always offer better efficiency, the proposed circuit does offer better power loss distribution among the switches in every case, which can be seen by comparing Fig. 4(b) and 4(c). The proposed and conventional circuit were put under the exact same conditions during the tests, that is $V_s = 300V$, $L_1 = L_2 = L_3 = 0.001H$, and $C_1 = C_2 = C_3 = 0.00012F$. Under load conditions of $R_1 = R_2 = R_3 = 100\Omega$, the conventional topology had 97% efficiency while the proposed converter had 96% efficiency. Under load conditions $R_1 = 3000\Omega$, $R_2 = 2000\Omega$, and $R_3 = 50\Omega$, the conventional topology had an efficiency of 91%, and the proposed topology had an efficiency of 93%. Both topologies operated at 94% efficiency under load conditions $R_1 = 3000\Omega$ and $R_2 = R_3 = 2000\Omega$.

THERMAL ANALYSIS

The junction temperature of the switches in both the proposed and traditional topology was simulated using an equivalent thermal circuit model. Fig. 5 shows this equivalent circuit for one of the switches. The three thermal resistances that are represented (from left to right) are; Thermal resistance junction to case (RJC), the thermal resistance of the thermal interface material (RTIM), and thermal resistance of the heat sink (RH). For simplification purposes, an only steady-state analysis was performed.

Both topologies were simulated under the conditions V_s =300V, $L_1 = L_2 = L_3 = 0.001H$, $C_1 = C_2 = C_3 = 0.00012F$, $R_1 = 3000\Omega$, $R_2 = 2000\Omega$, $R_3 = 50\Omega$, ambient temperature= 70°F, and the impedance values RJC, RTIM and RH were taken to be 0.26, 0.1 and 0.35 respectively. As a matter of fact, a rise in temperature or the heat generated around the switch is directly proportional to the total losses of that corresponding switch. The proposed converter should operate at lower temperatures. But interestingly, temperatures among both configurations are similar, and they had an even distribution of heat among the switches.

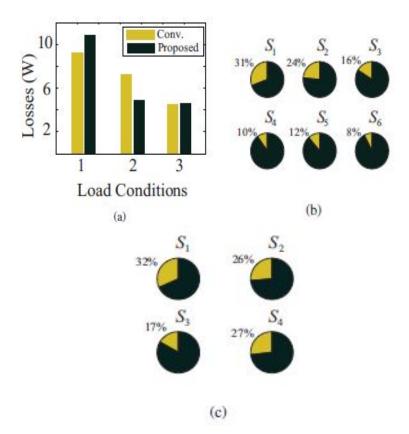


Fig. 4. (a) Semiconductor losses under different load conditions, (b)Traditional semiconductor loss distribution. (c) Proposed semiconductor loss distribution.

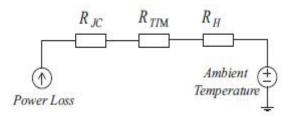


Fig. 5. Equivalent thermal model

Table2 Resultant Power Losses and Temperatures for the Proposed Topology

Switch	Losses	Temperatures (degree Fahrenheit)
S1	1.6	71.1
S_2	1.2	70.8
S 3	0.6	70.4
S_4	1.5	71.0

Obtained losses and the temperatures at each of the switchcasings for the proposed topology are presented in Table 2.Table 3 lists the losses and temperatures for each switchpresent in the conventional topology.

Table3 Power Losses and Temperatures Recorded for the Conventional Topology

Switch	Losses	Temperatures (degree Fahrenheit)
S ₁	0.99	70.7
S ₂	0.95	70.6
S 3	0.73	70.5
S4	0.75	70.5
S ₅	2.02	71.4
S ₆	1.99	71.4

These simulation results can be validated mathematically, by using the following equation.

$$Temperature = (Ambienttemperature) + (RJC + RTIM + RH) * (Losses)$$
 (52)

When comparing the switching losses presented in Table III, it can be noted that similar temperatures were obtained, and only negligible differences were observed among the losses obtained across the switches.

SIMULATION RESULTS

Considering V_s = 100V, $L_1 = L_2 = L_3 = 0.06$ mH, $C_1 = C_2 = C_3 = 0.0022$ F, $R_1 = R_2 = R_3 = 100\Omega$ V_{R1} =55V, V_{R2} =30V, and V_{R3} =15V as the parameters, the simulation of the proposed topology is analyzed using PSIM.

Simulation results obtained for the gating signals, output voltages, and regulating the output voltages for are shown in Fig. 6 and Fig. 7. Simulation results achieved are shown in the Fig. 8, Fig. 9, and Fig. 10. Fig. 8 shows the currents and voltages across inductor L_1 and the output voltage V_{01} . Fig. 9, shows the current I_{L2} and voltages across inductor L_2 and at the load R_2 . Fig. 10 shows their corresponding simulation results. Fig. 12(a), shows the current I_{L3} and voltages across inductor L_3 and at the load R_3 .

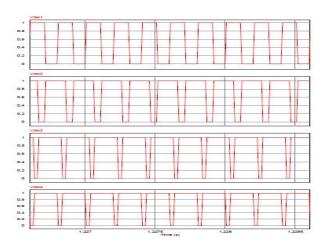


Fig. 6. Gating signal

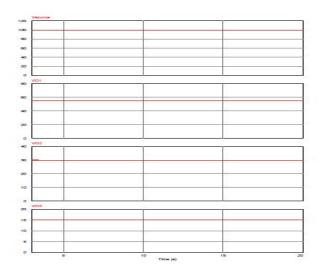


Fig. 7. Input and Output Voltages

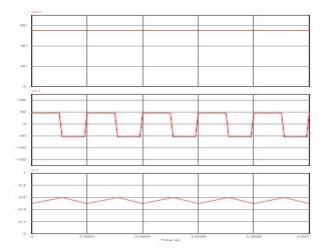


Fig. 8.output voltage V_{01} , Inductor voltage V_{LI} , and Inductor current I_{LI}

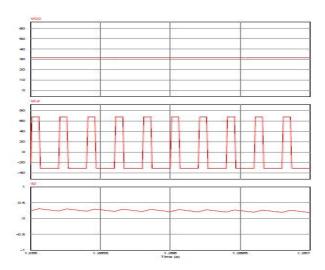


Fig. 9.output voltage V_{02} , Inductor voltage V_{L2} , and Inductor current I_{L2}

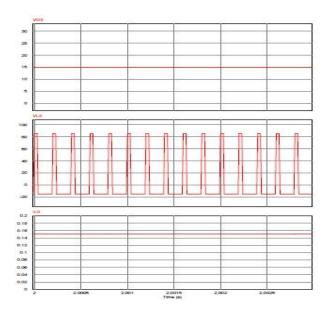


Fig. 10. Output voltage V_{03} , Inductor voltage V_{L3} , and Inductor current I_{L1}

CONCLUSION

This paper presents a novel single-input three-output DC-DC buck converter. The converter topology, operational modes, modulation technique, and design requirement have been studied. Although, the proposed converter needs superior current rating for switches, it decreases the number of switches required, and the number of driver circuits. The proposed converter also caters better power loss division among the switches. The proposed method is very advantageous from the economical point of view. It also reduces the size of the converter for same output with respect to conventional topology.

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