

Continuous-Time Feed-Forward Delta-Sigma Controller for DC-DC Converter

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Introduction

PWM Control for DC-DC converter

Switching period is constant, the pulse width is changed each time

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Difficult to meet simultaneously both of

- Fast Transient Response
- High Efficiency

On The Other Hand DC-DC converters are everywhere

Power device advances

Fast switching speed

ΔΣ modulator for DC-DC converter

Expected advantages:

- Fast Transient Response
- High Efficiency at Low Load
- Spread Spectrum of Switching noise

ΔΣ DC-DC Converter

parameters

Vin	12V
Vref	5V
L	22uH
Cout	220uF
Rout	10Ω
Fck	2MHz

ΔΣ modulator output

high input

Low

Clock

Dense pulse stream (Fast transient response)

Can satisfy both

Sparse pulse stream (High efficiency)

Delta-Sigma Modulators

FB ΔΣ Modulator

$$Y(z) = \frac{H(z)}{1+H(z)} \cdot X(z) + \frac{1}{1+H(z)} \cdot E(z)$$

$H(z) = \frac{z^{-1}}{1-z^{-1}} \rightarrow$ STF(z) = z^{-1} NTF(z) = $1-z^{-1}$

One-clock delay Differentiation=Noise Shaping

1st-order Feedback ΔΣ

FF ΔΣ Modulator

$$Y(z) = 1 \cdot X(z) + \frac{1}{1+H(z)} \cdot E(z)$$

$H(z) = \frac{z^{-1}}{1-z^{-1}}$

STF(z) = 1 NTF(z) = $1-z^{-1}$

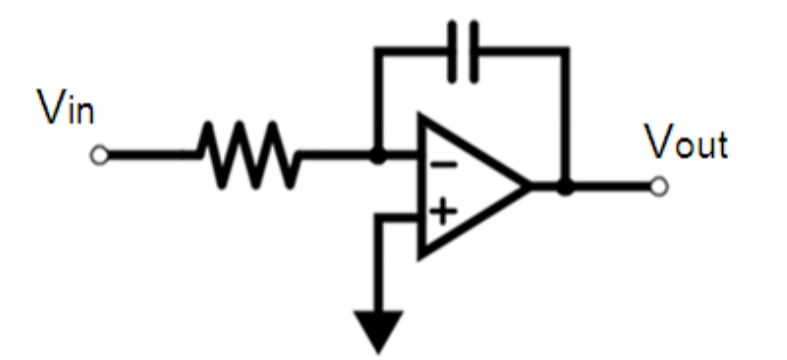
signal transfer function noise transfer function

No Delay Differentiation=Noise Shaping

1st-order Feed-forward ΔΣ

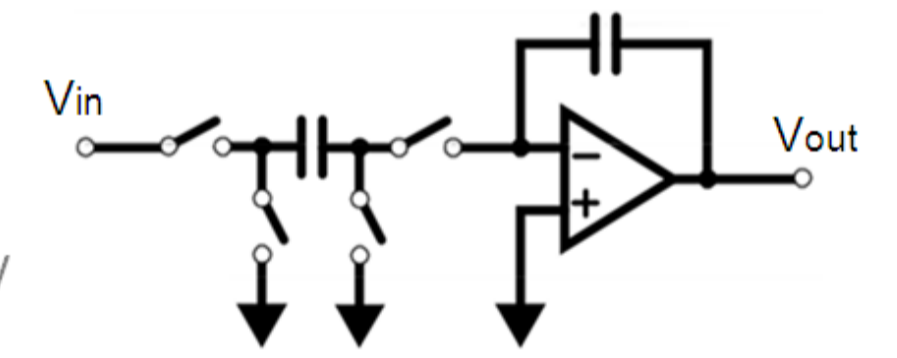
CT ΔΣ modulator

- Low power
- High-speed, high-frequency
- Time constant (RC) variation



DT ΔΣ modulator

- High precision
- High power consumption
- low-speed, low-frequency



CT ΔΣ modulator

Application to DC-DC converter controller

$$Y(z) = z^{-1} \cdot X(z) + (1-z^{-1})^2 \cdot E(z)$$

One-clock delay 2nd-order Differentiation

2nd-order Feedback ΔΣ

$$Y(z) = 1 \cdot X(z) + (1-z^{-1})^2 \cdot E(z)$$

STF = 1 NTF = $(1-z^{-1})^2$

No Delay 2nd-order Differentiation

2nd-order Feed-forward ΔΣ

	No Delay	High Frequency	Small Ripple	Low Power	High Precision
1st CT FF ΔΣ	⊙	⊙		⊙	
1st DT FF ΔΣ	⊙				⊙
1st CT FB ΔΣ		⊙		⊙	
1st DT FB ΔΣ					⊙
2nd CT FF ΔΣ	⊙	⊙	⊙	⊙	
2nd DT FF ΔΣ	⊙		⊙		⊙
2nd CT FB ΔΣ		⊙	⊙	⊙	
2nd DT FB ΔΣ			⊙		⊙

Comparison of all kinds ΔΣ modulator

Conclusion

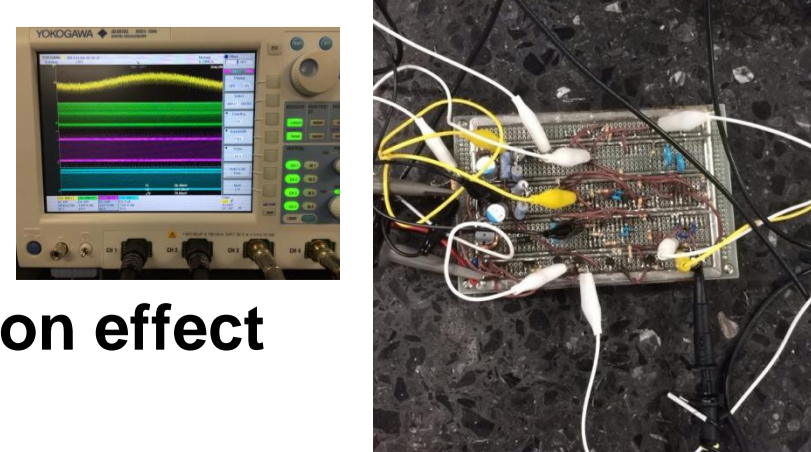
Continuous-Time, Feed-forward ΔΣ modulator has

- The fastest transient response
- With comparable voltage ripple

Low power implementation is expected.

Future Work: Investigation of R,C variation effect

Experimental verification is underway



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