

Electrolytic Capacitor-less Transformer-less AC-DC LED Driver with Current Ripple Canceller

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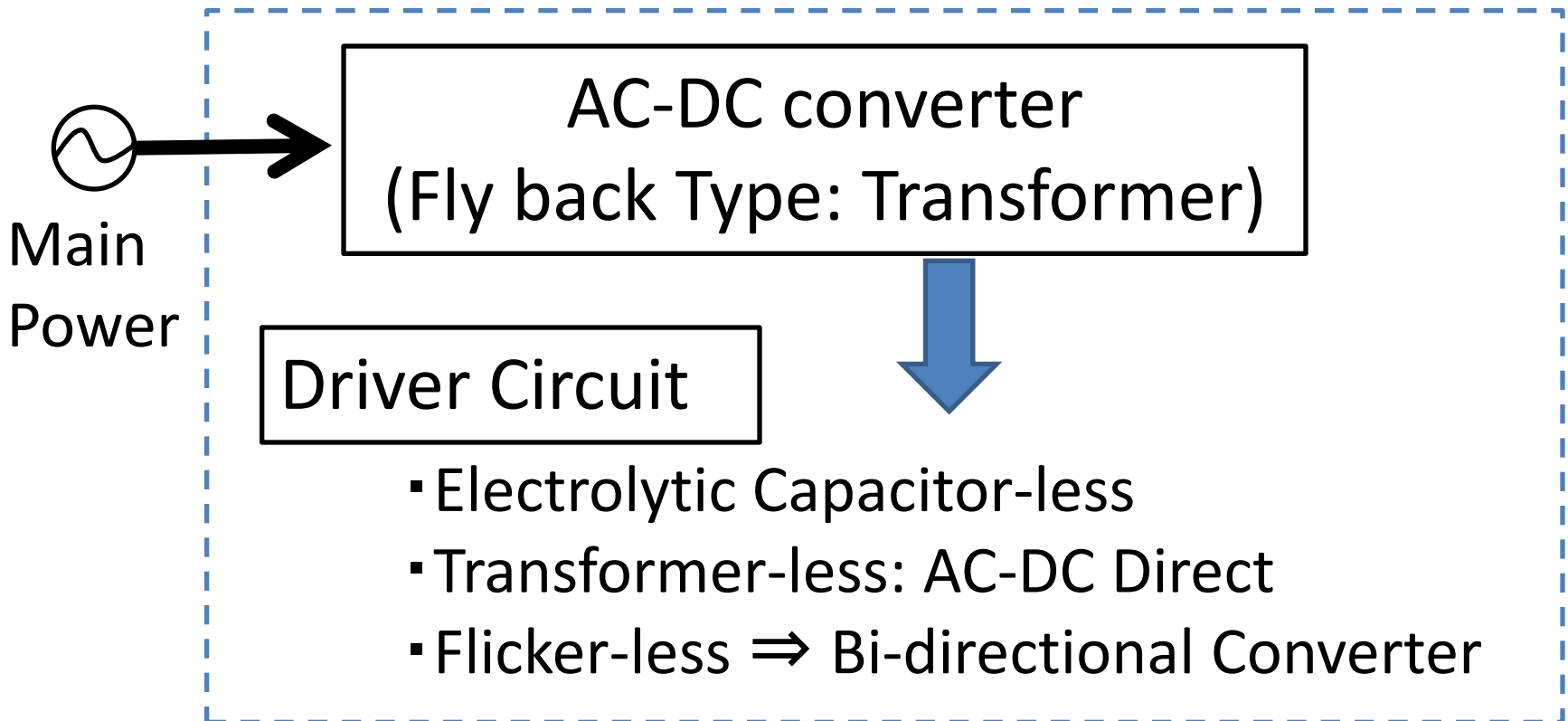
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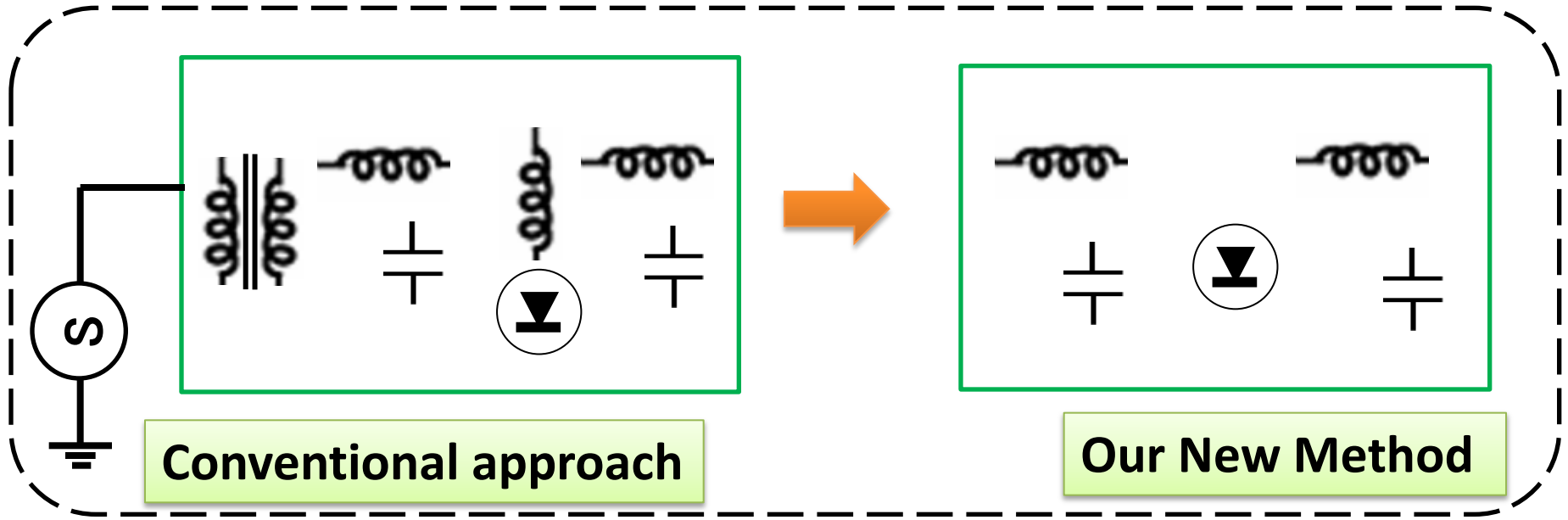
Background

High Efficiency, Long Life \Rightarrow LED Lighting
Flicker-less \Rightarrow Electrolytic Capacitor in Driver Circuit



Research Objective

- AC-DC direct converter \Rightarrow Transformer-less
- Compensation for V-ripple \Rightarrow Electrolytic Capacitor-less
Reduce N of inductor



Reduce transformer, inductor \Rightarrow Reduce cost, volume

Fig. 1 Background

2. Previous LED Driver (1)

● Compensation for Voltage Valley

A) $|V_{IN}| > |V_{peak}|/2 \Rightarrow$ Drive LEDs and Charge C1 & C2

$$V_c < |V_{peak}|/2$$

★ When $V_{IN}=220V_{rms}$

$$V_{PEAK}=340V, V_c=170V$$

Case (A)

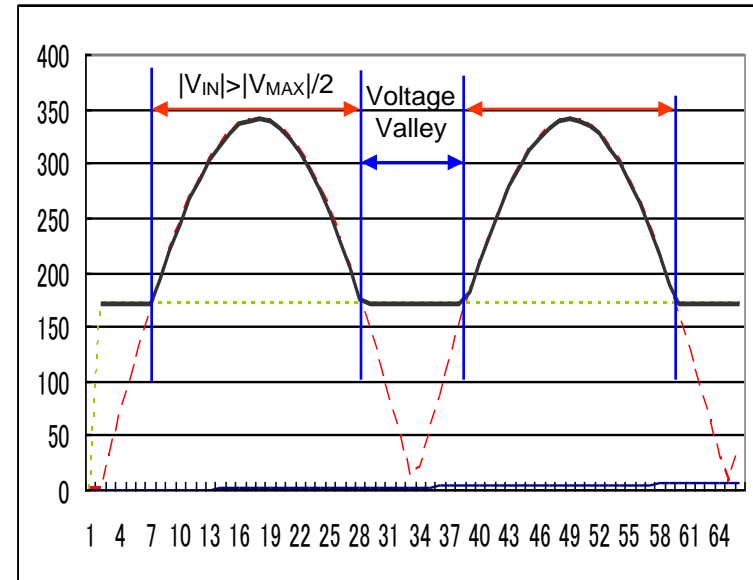
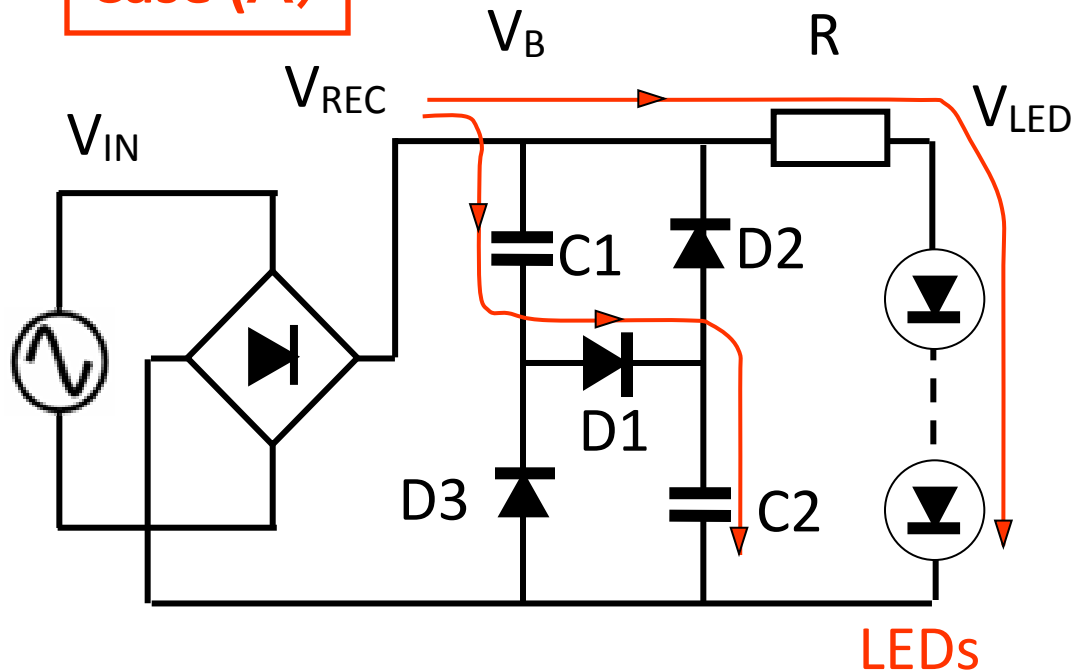


Fig.2 Compensation for Voltage Valley ($V_{in} > V_p/2$)

● Compensation for Voltage Valley

A) $|V_{IN}| > |V_{peak}|/2 \Rightarrow$ Drive LEDs and Charge C1 & C2

B) $|V_{IN}| < |V_{peak}|/2 \Rightarrow$ C1 & C2 drive LEDs

★ Capacitance of C1,C2 needs more than 100uF/250V

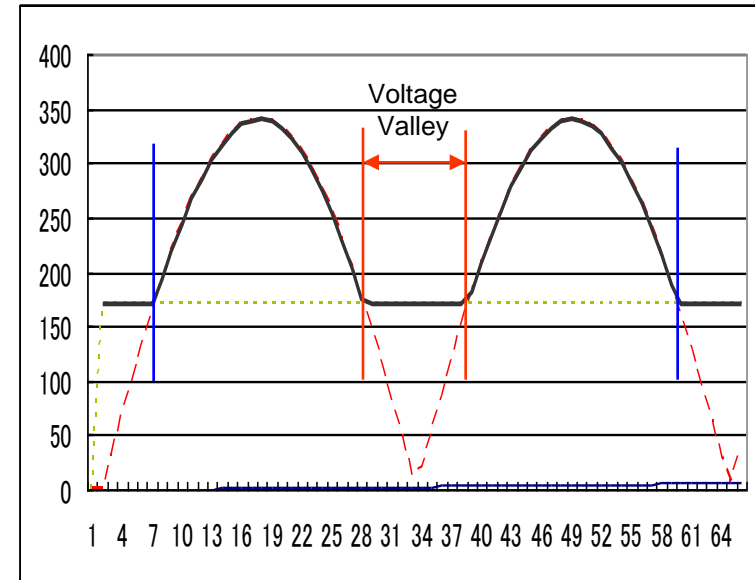
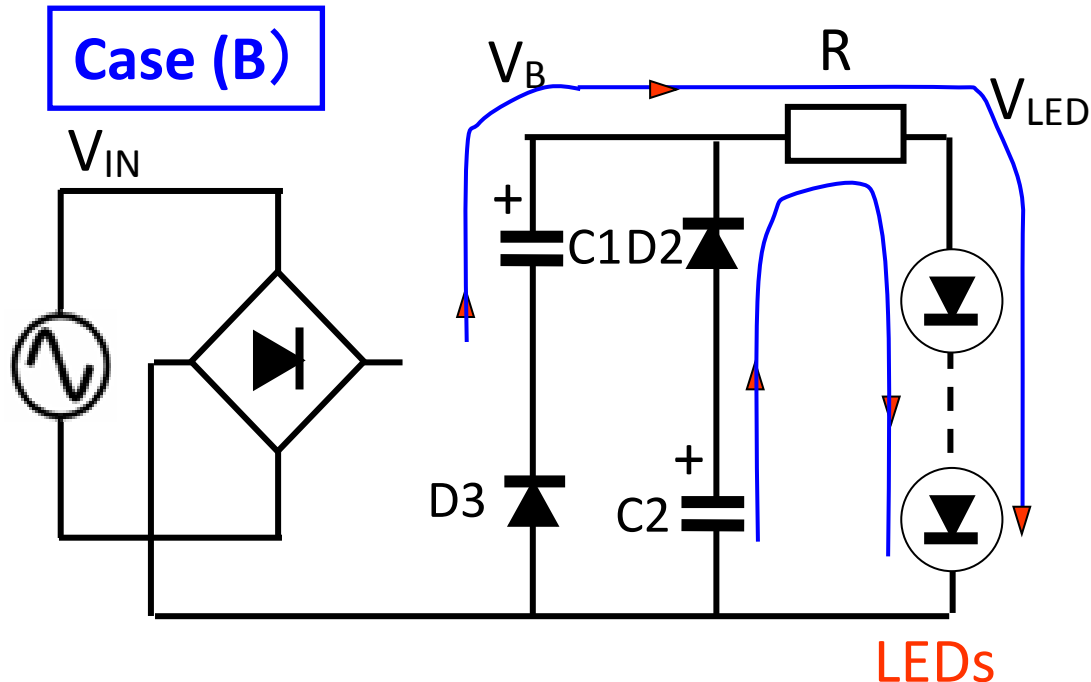


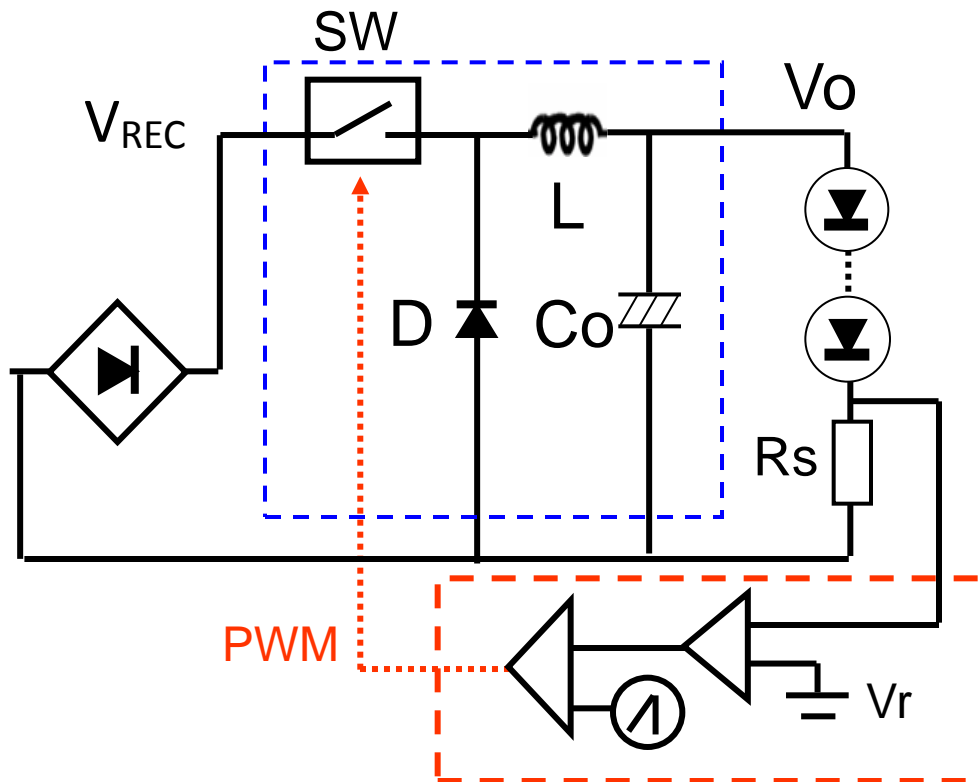
Fig.3 Compensation for Voltage Valley ($V_i < V_p/2$)

2. Previous LED Driver (2)

● Feedback Control for Voltage Valley (**Buck Converter**)

A) $|V_{IN}| > V_o \Rightarrow$ Buck Converter

B) $|V_{IN}| < V_o \Rightarrow C_o$ supplies current to LED



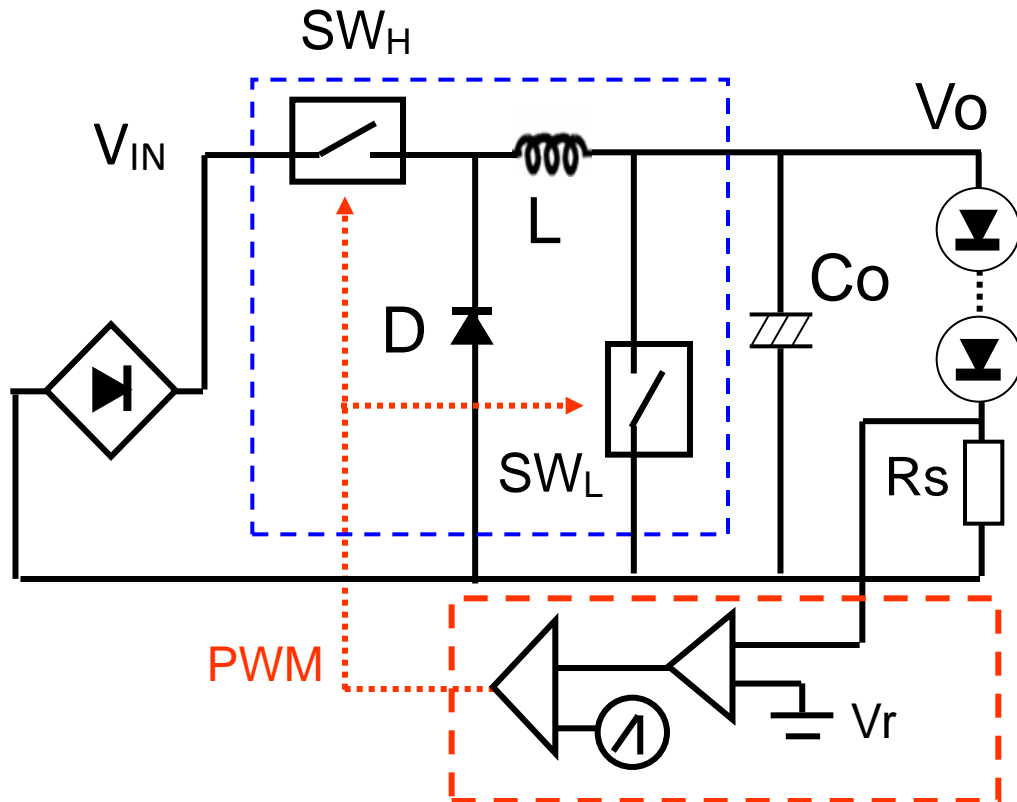
- ★ Capacitance of C_o needs more than **500 μ F** (Electrolytic Capacitor)
- ★ There appears “**Large Current Valley.**”

Fig. 4 Current Controller (Buck Converter)

⇒ Non-inverted Buck-Boost Converter

A) PWM「H」 ⇒ SW_H, SW_L : ON ⇒ L charge up Energy.

B) PWM「L」 ⇒ SW_H, SW_L : OFF ⇒ L supply Energy to Load.



- ★ Capacitance of C_o needs more than **200 μ F**. (Electrolytic Capacitor)
- ★ There appears “Small Current Valley.”

Fig. 5 Current Controller (Buck-Boost Converter)

2. Previous LED Driver (3)

- LED Driver with Current Ripple Canceller
 - Which is Bi-Directional Buck-Boost Converter

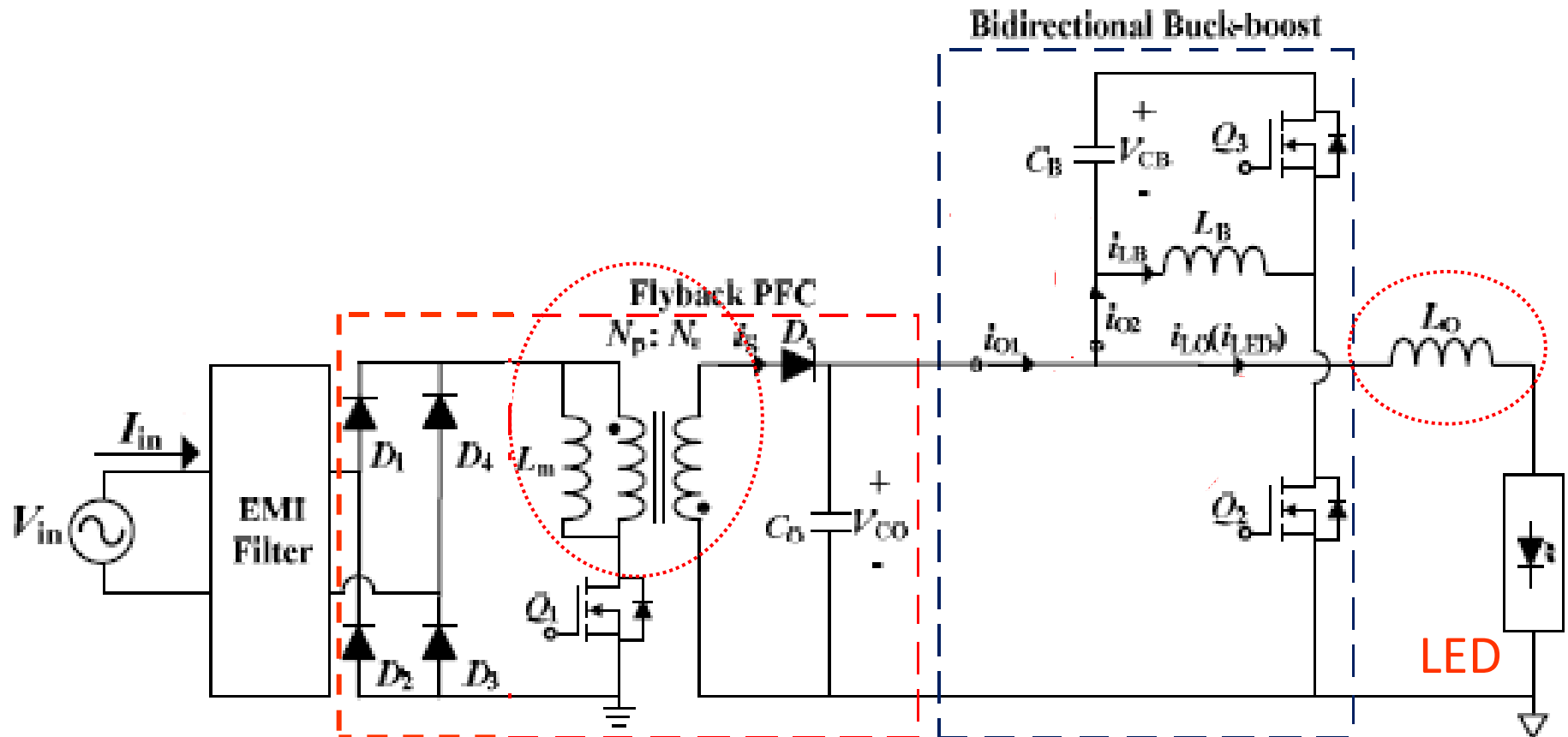


Fig.6 Conventional LED Driver with Current Ripple Canceller & Transformer

● Equivalent Circuit:

- * Boost Converter + Bi-Directional Buck-Boost Converter
- * Two clocks are synchronizes, but Duties are different.

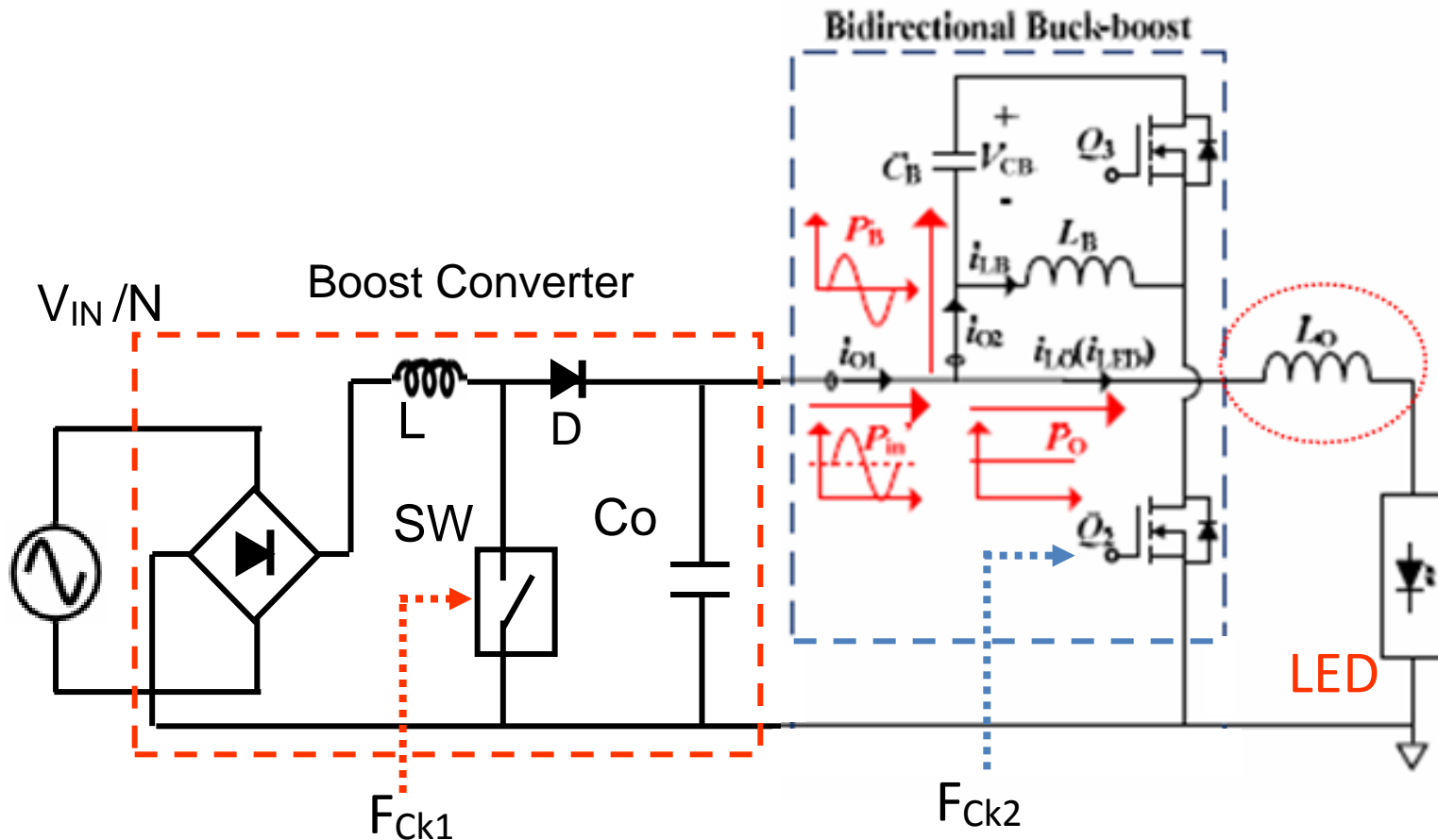


Fig.7 Equivalent LED Driver Circuit

Parameters & Wave forms

* $V_{IN}=110V_{rms}$, $I_O=300mA$

* $L_B=2.0mH$, $L_O=2.2mH$, $C_O=6.8\mu F$, $C_B=3.7\mu F$

★ Current Ripple $\Delta I_O=42mA$ (14%), $V_{CB} \doteq 250V$

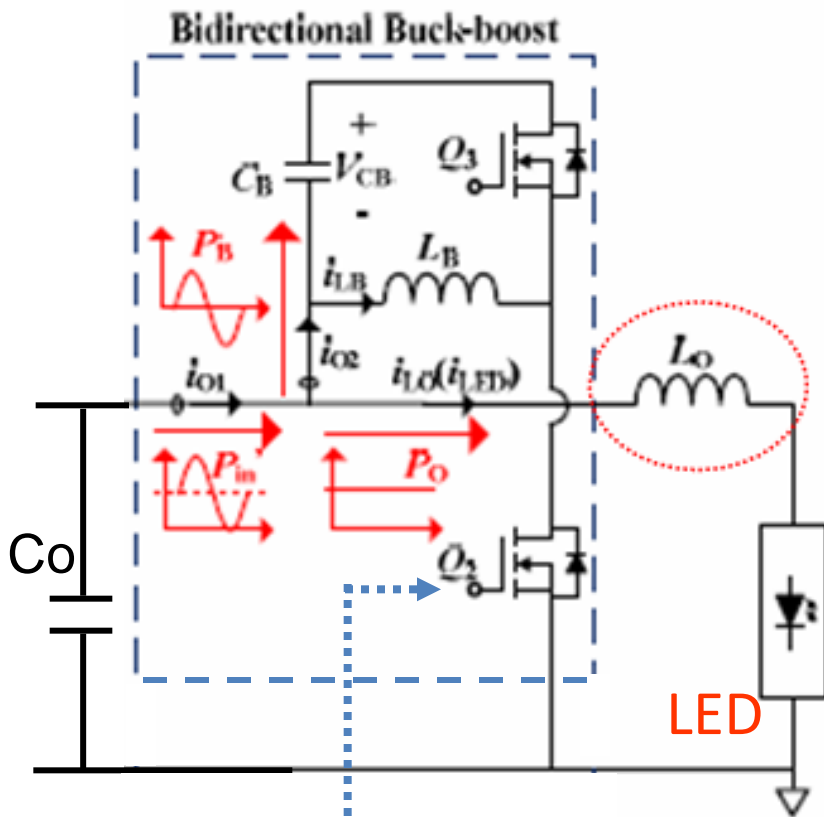


Fig.8 Bi-Directional Circuit

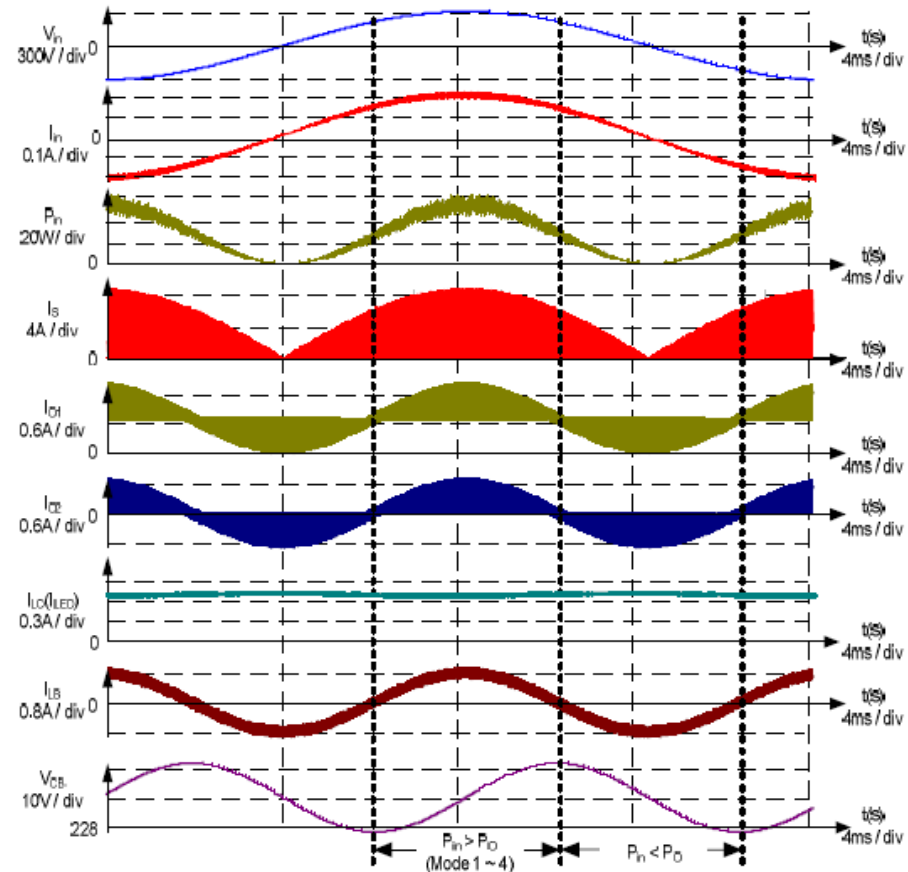


Fig.9 Wave Forms

3. Proposed LED Driver

3-1 Proposed Circuit

- Transformer \Rightarrow Main Inductor L_m , Not use L_o .

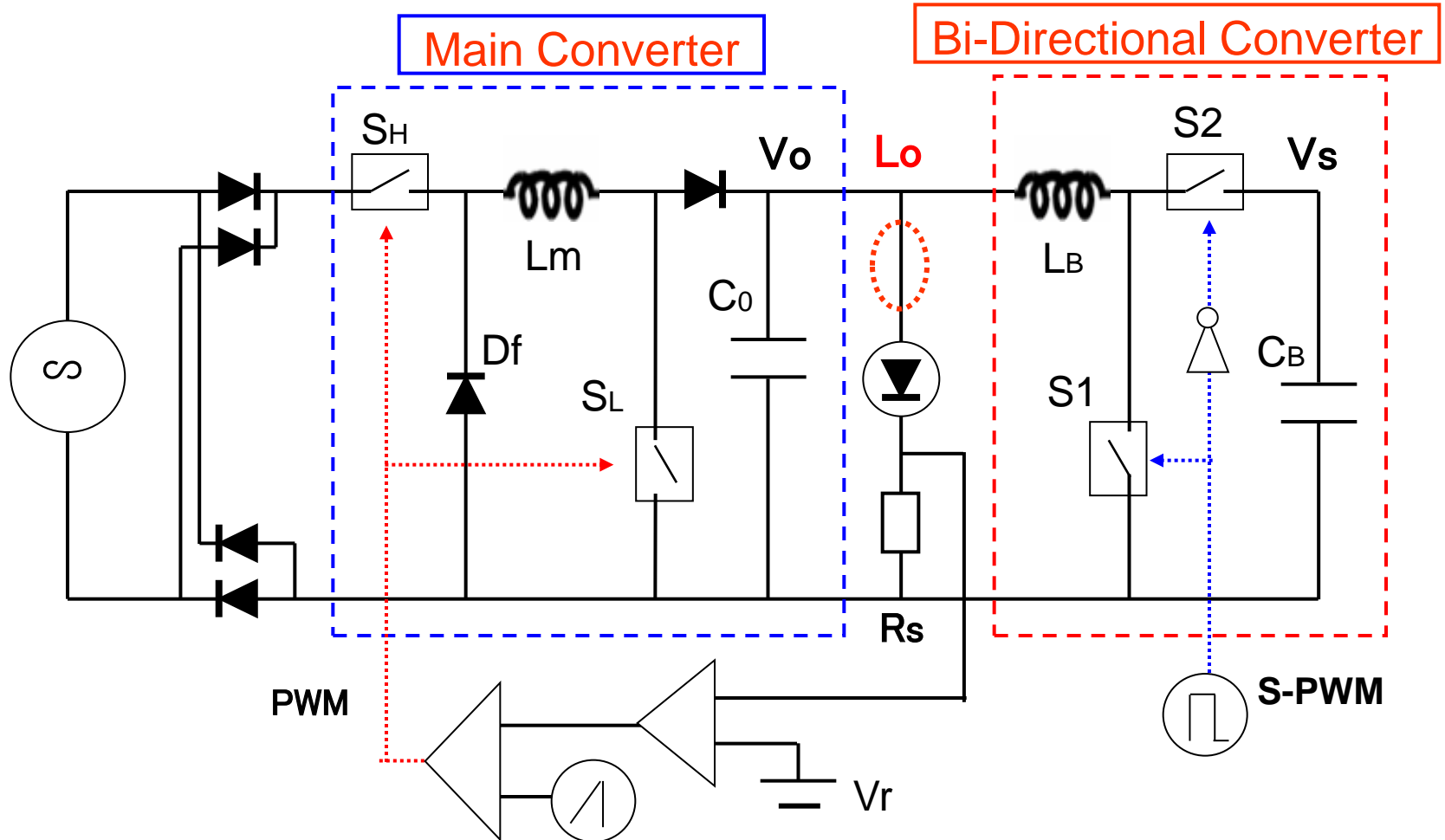


Fig.10 Proposed LED Driver with Bi-directional Converter

● Bi-Directional Converter (Buck-Boost Converter)

(a) When $i_{in}(t) > \overline{I_o}$, S1 · S2 work as **Boost** Converter.

Ls current flows to Cs. (S2 works as Di.)

(b) When $i_{in}(t) < \overline{I_o}$, S1 · S2 work as **Buck** Converter.

Ls current flows from Cs. (S1 works as Di)

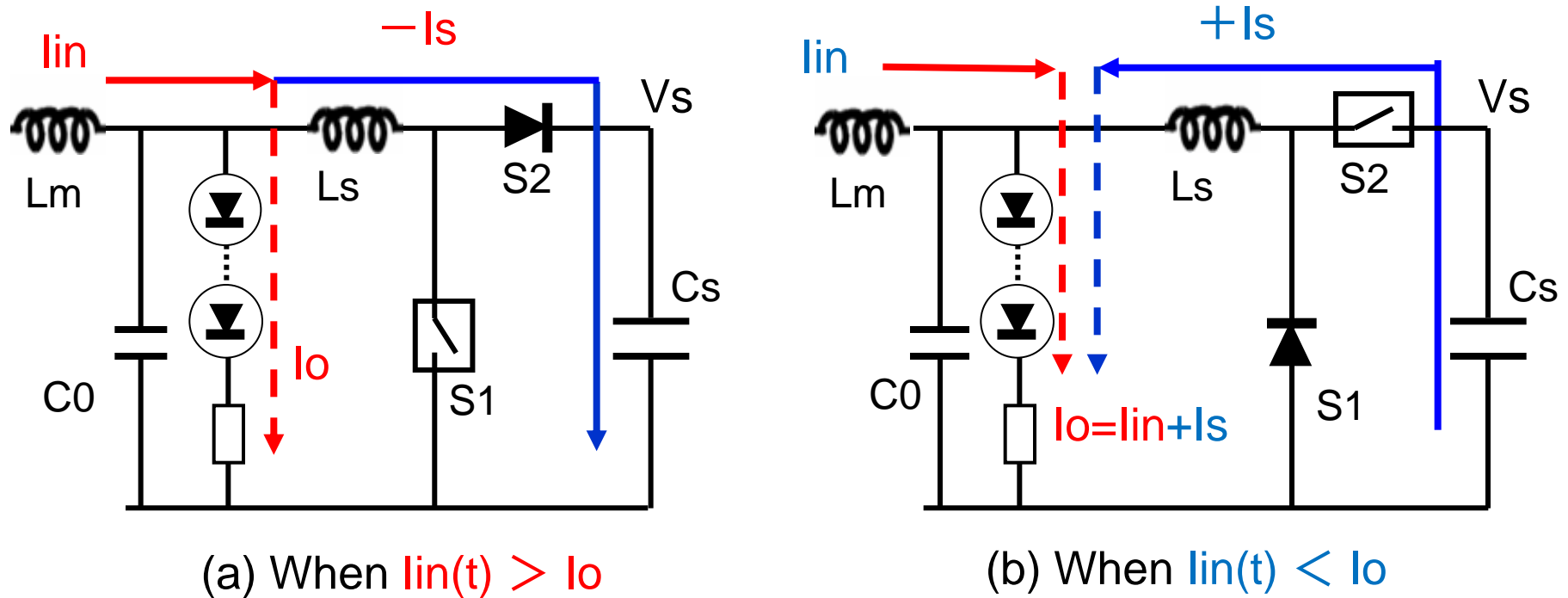


Fig.11 Operation of Bi-Directional Converter

3-2 Simulation Results (1)

- Voltage Valley of V_o is $\Delta V_o \doteq 7V$, which appears at $V_{IN}=0V$.
- Voltage of Sub-Capacitor V_s is about 200V.

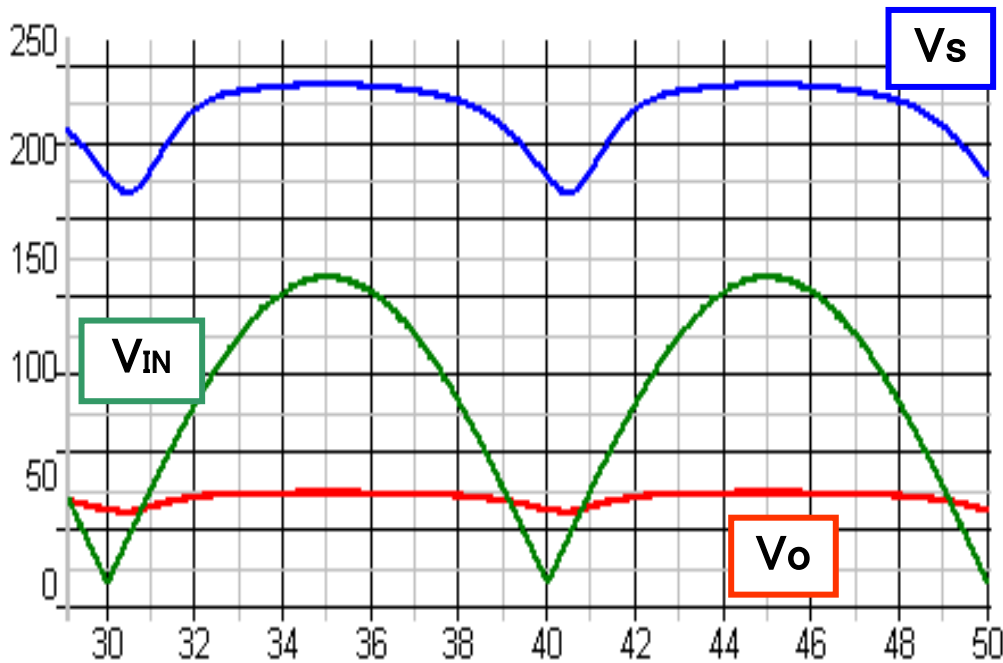


Table 1 Simulation Parameters

Lm	50 uH
Ls	50 uH
Cm	5 uF
Cs	5 uF
Ds	0.82
Fck	200 kHz

Fig.12 Simulation Results of Propose Driver

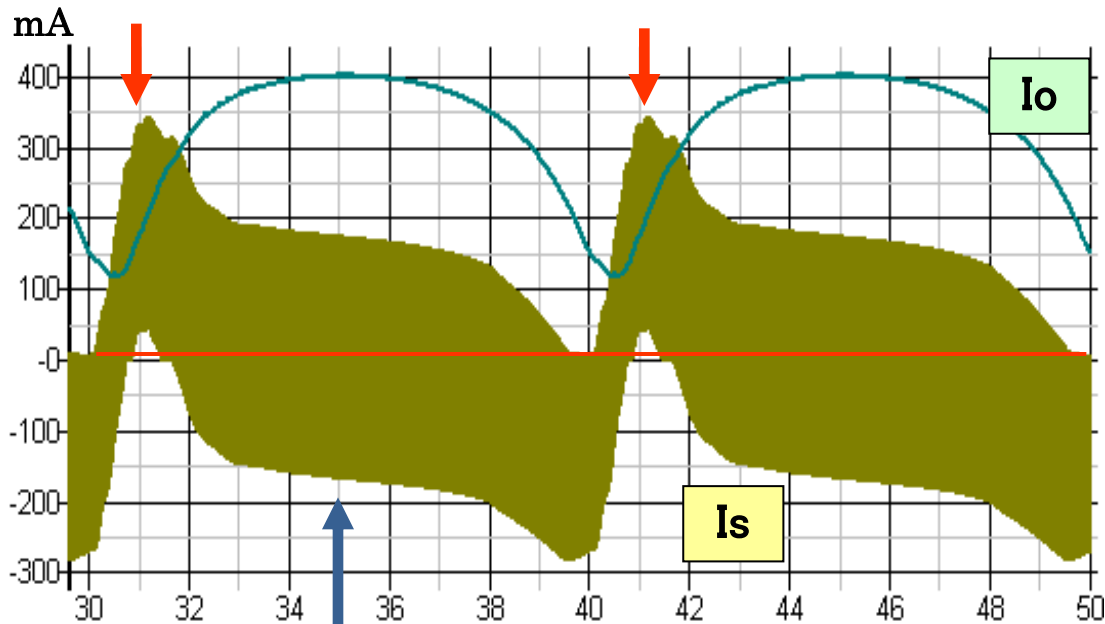
3-2 Simulation Results (1)

- Current of Bi-Directional Converter: I_s

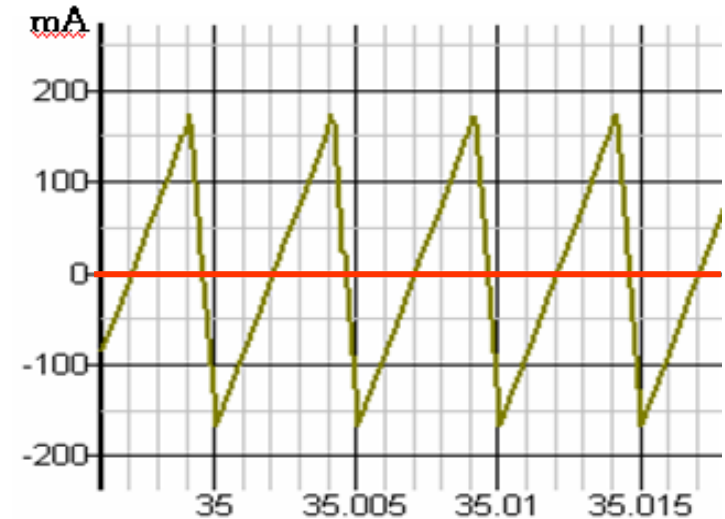
- * $I_o(t) > \bar{I}_o$, current I_s flows posi or nega. (@ $t=35\text{ms}$)

- * $I_o(t) < \bar{I}_o$, current I_s flows posi only. (@ $t=31, 41\text{ms}$)

($V_{in}=50\text{Hz}$, $F_{ck}=200\text{kHz}$)



(a) Output Current and Bi-Directional Current



(b) Wave form of I_s

Fig.13 Current I_s of Bi-Directional Converter

4. Compensation for Voltage Valley

4-1 Feed-forward control with input voltage

● Circuit & Simulation Results

* Input Signal is always sine-wave

⇒ Feed-forward control is very effective method.

★ Output Voltage Response V_o with Gain Variation G_F

$\Delta V_o \doteq 7V$ at $G_F=5.0\%$

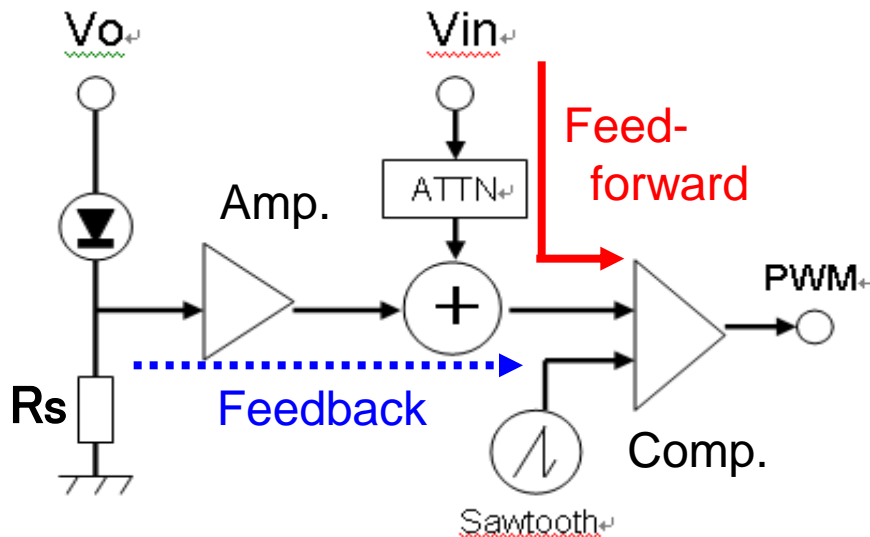


Fig.14 Feed-forward Control

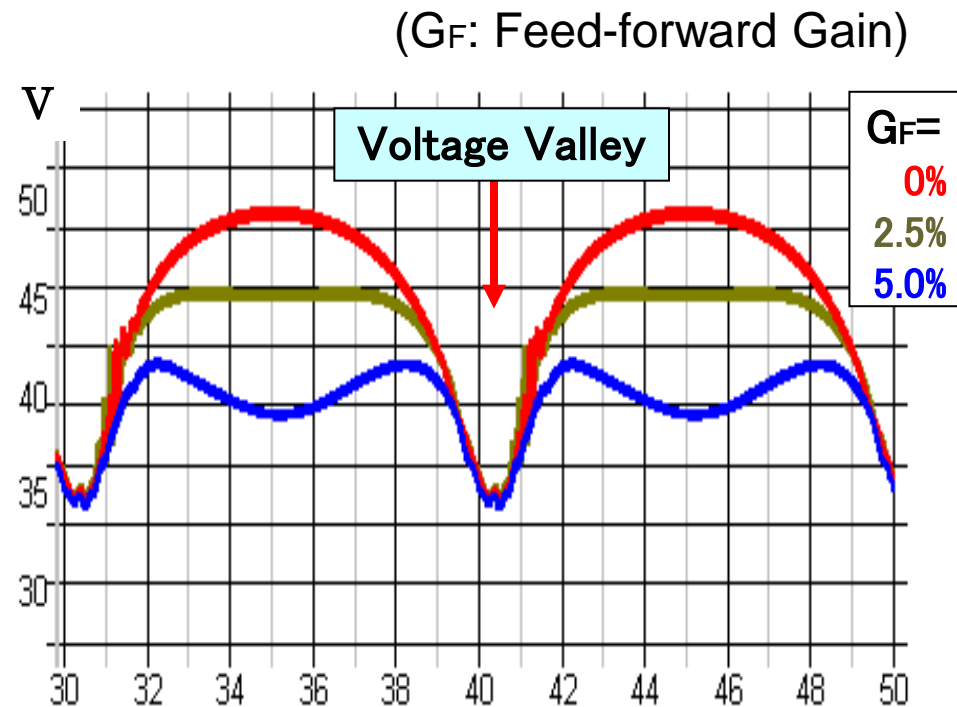


Fig.15 Output Voltage V_o

★ Output Current Response with Gain Variation G_F

$\Delta I_o \doteq 220\text{mA}$ ($\Delta I_o = +60\text{mA} / -160\text{mA}$ @ $I_o = 350\text{mA}$) at $G_F = 5.0\%$

★ Output Voltage Response with Input Voltage Variation

$\Delta V_o \doteq 3\text{V}$ at $G_F = 2.5\%$, $V_{IN} = 85 \sim 130\text{V}$

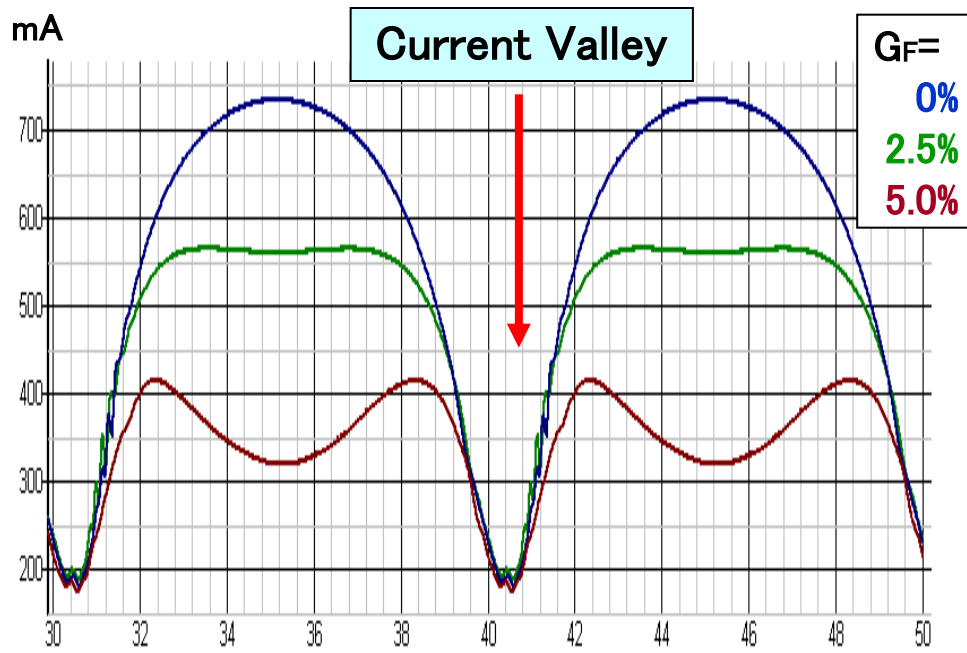


Fig.16 I_o with Gain Variation

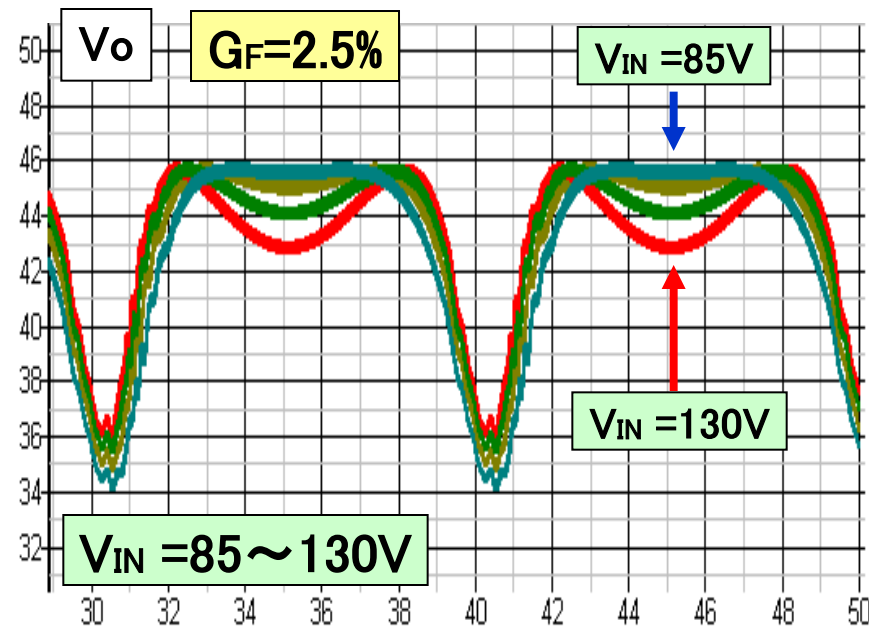


Fig.17 V_o with V_{IN} Variation

4-2 Timing Arrangement of Voltage Valley (V-valley):

● Set the period of V-valley \Rightarrow Compensate among this period.

(1) Adjust sub-clock duty D_s (typically $D_s=82\%$)

D_s : Best Duty is 81.2% @ $G_F = 5\%$.

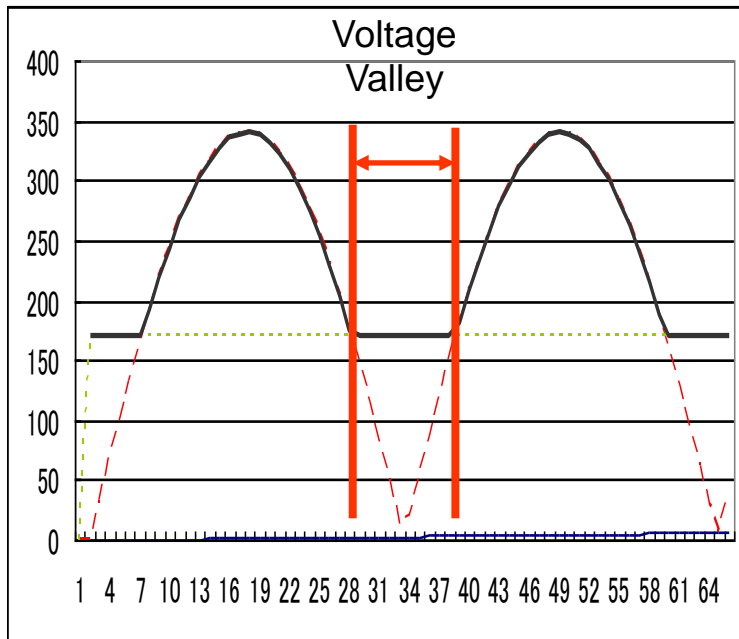


Fig. 3 Voltage Valley

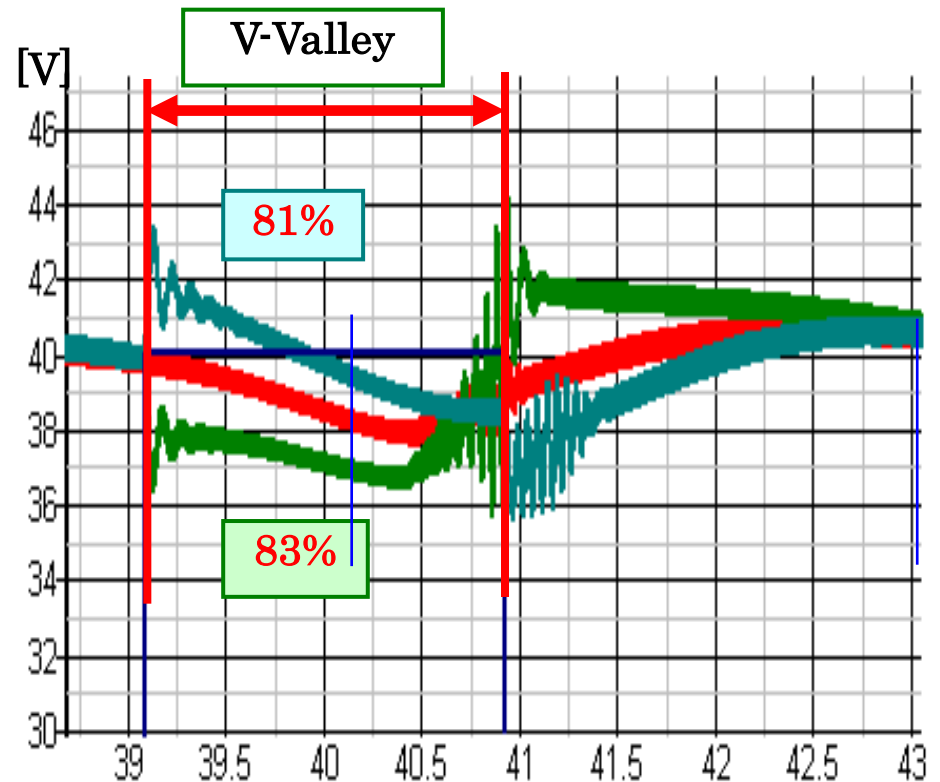


Fig.18 Compensation (1) for V-valley

(2) Move the period of V-valley (Start & End timing)

T_s : 29.1ms \Rightarrow 29.9ms (Delay 0.8ms)

T_E : 30.9ms \Rightarrow 32.5ms (Delay 1.6ms)

Period: 1.8ms \Rightarrow 2.6ms (1.8ms wider)

● Results with compensation

▪ LED current ripple:

65mA/ 350mA (20%)

(Voltage ripple: 2V)

● Simulation Parameters

$L_m=L_s=50\mu\text{H}$

$C_m=C_s=5\mu\text{F}$

$F_{ck}=200\text{kHz}$

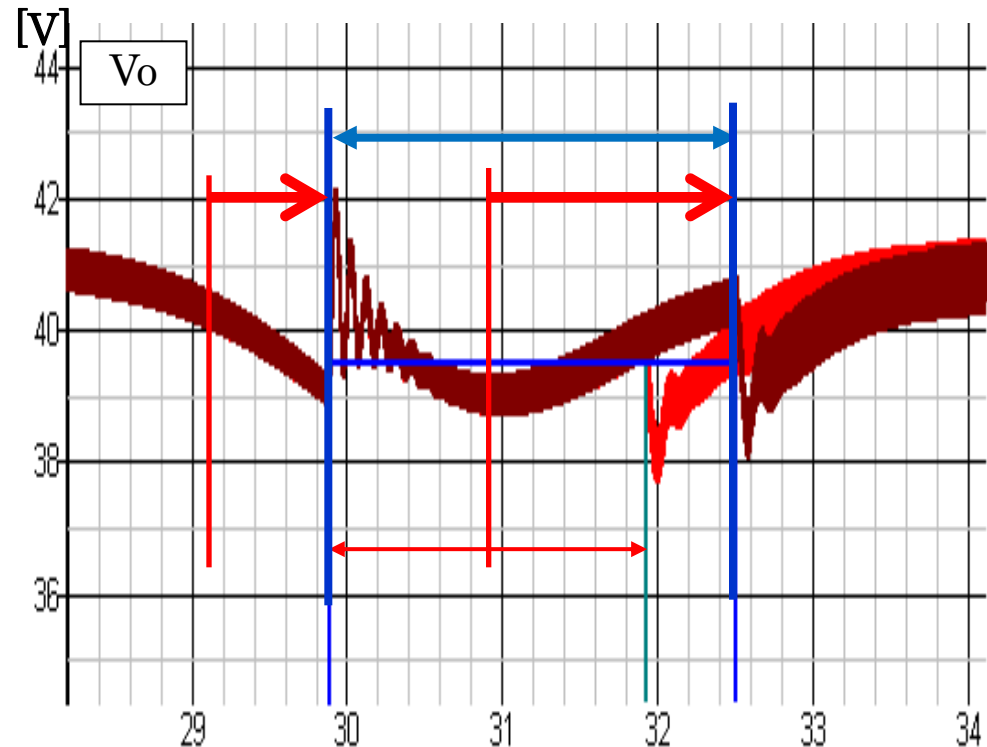


Fig.19 Result with compensations 19

Conclusion

AC-DC LED Driver without Electrolytic Capacitor, Transformer using current ripple canceller (bi-directional converter).

1. Consist of main buck converter and bi-directional converter, which works for current ripple canceller.

Voltage valley compensations:

- feed-forward control for input AC voltage
- adjusting of switch timing of bi-directional converter

2. Simulation results ($V_i=100V$, $V_o=40V$, $I_o=350mA$)

* LED Current Ripple: $\Delta I_o=65mA$ (20%) @ $I_o=350mA$,
LED Voltage valley: $\Delta V_o=2V$ @ $V_o=40V$.

* Feed-forward control with input voltage reduces V-valley voltage about half (from 15V to 7V).

3. Capacitors: $C_o= C_B= 5\mu F$

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