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Implementation Evaluation on Pulse Coding Controlled Switching Converter with Notch Frequency Generation in Noise Spectrum

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Research Background

Electronic circuits

High density and complication



Problem

Large EMI noise



Focus

EMI reduction \Rightarrow spread noise spectrum

EMI: Electro-Magnetic Interference

Research Objective

Previous Method

Spread spectrum \Rightarrow shaking clock phase



Problem

F_{ck} noise spread \Rightarrow Receive frequency



Research Objective

Radio receiver



Spread spectrum :

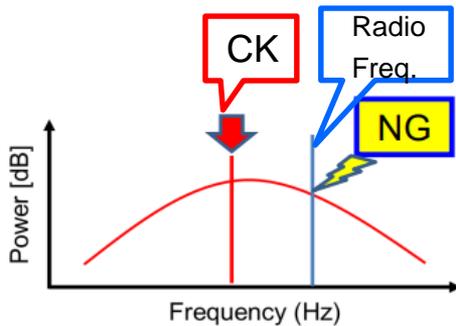
\Rightarrow EMI reduction & Noise diffusion



Further more

Noise suppression near receive frequency

Problem



Research Summary

Proposed method

Pulse coding method

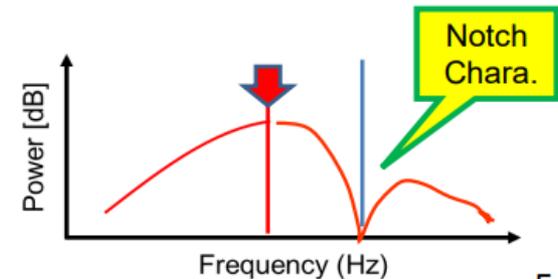


Design modulation circuit

⇒ generate notch frequency automatically

Achievement

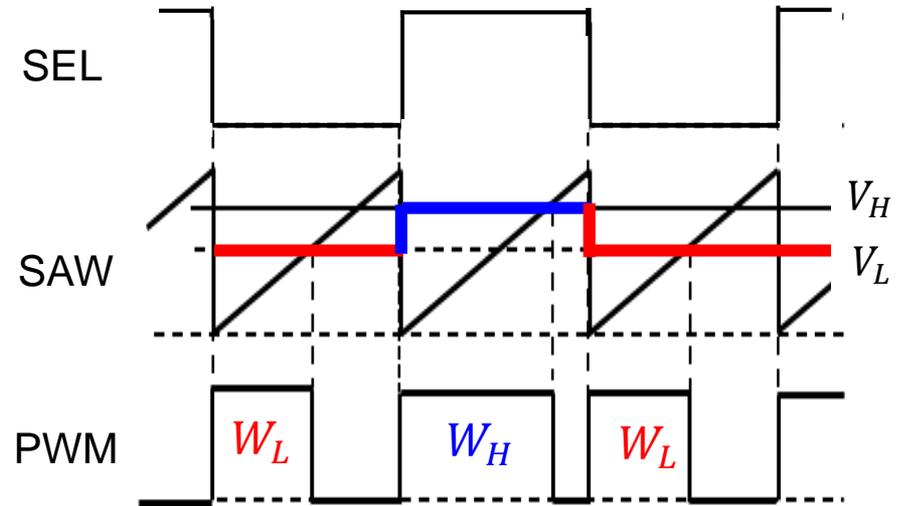
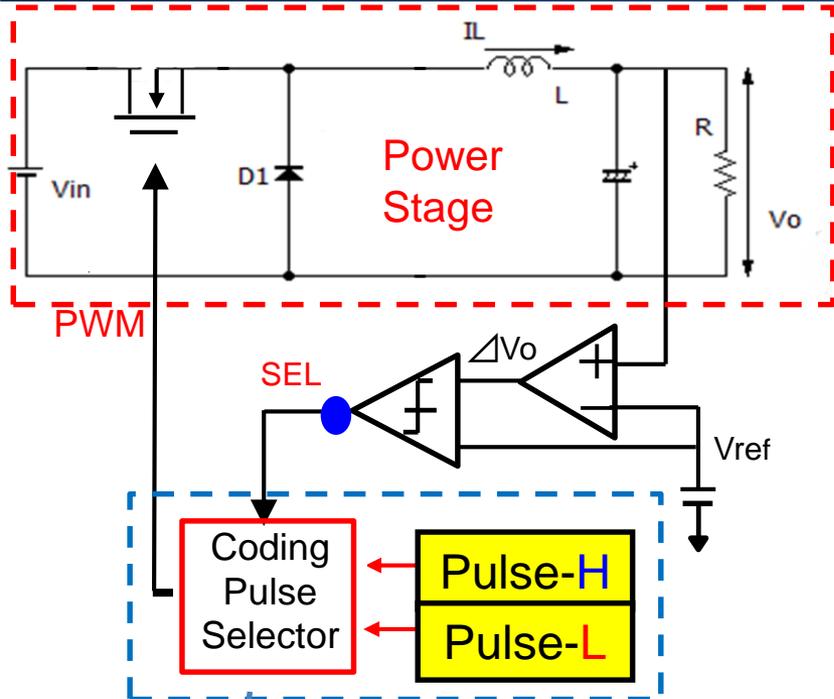
- ① EMI reduction
- ② Noise removal
- ③ Automatic generation of F_{notch}
- ④ Implementation of PWC control switching converter



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Pulse Width Modulation in Switching Converter

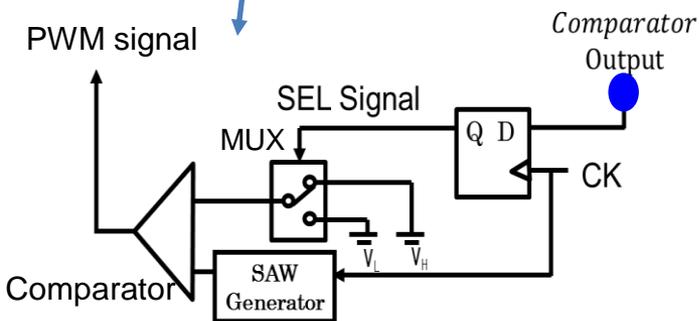


Input **High**

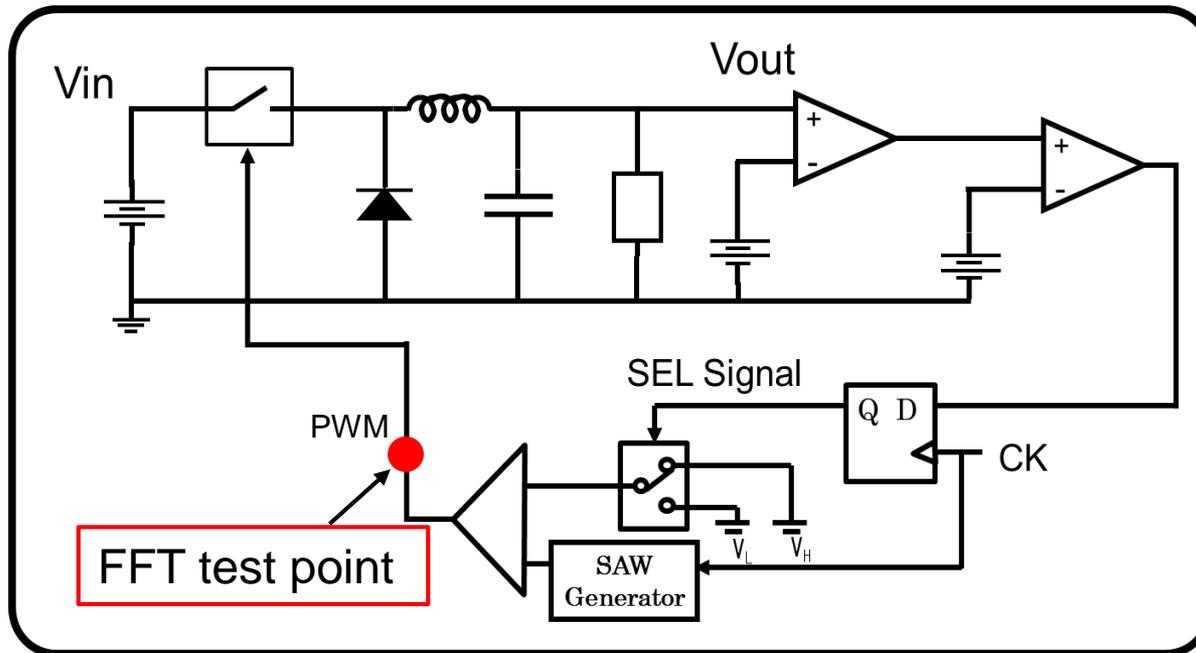
- ① SEL: **High**
- ② MUX select V_H
- ③ Generate pulse with **long width** in comparator

Input **Low**

- ① SEL: **Low**
- ② MUX select V_L
- ③ Generate pulse with **short width** in comparator



Simulation Condition



© Condition

Buck DC-DC converter

$V_{in} : 10V$

$V_{out} : 5V$

$L : 200 \mu H$

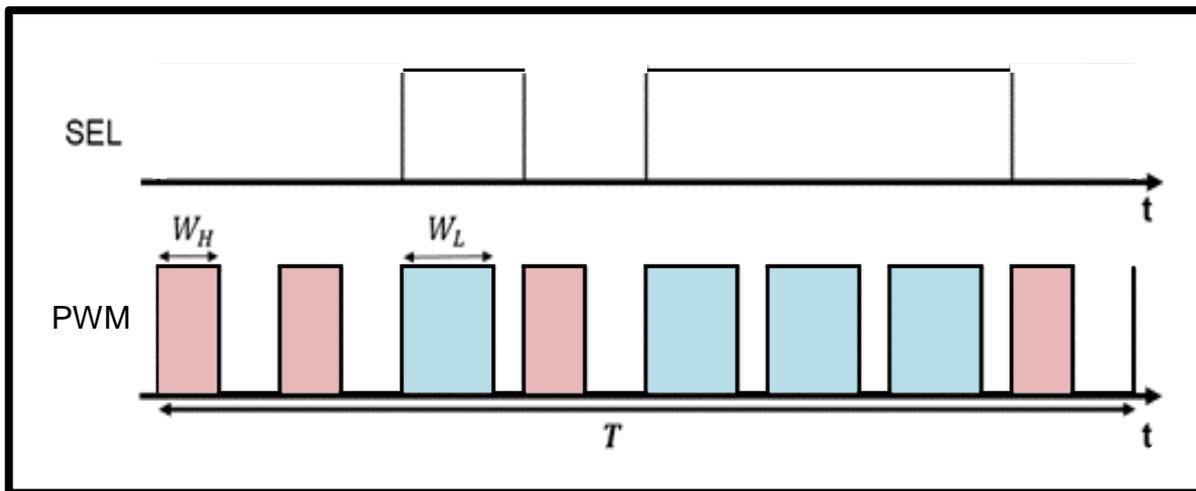
$C : 470 \mu F$

$I_{out} : 0.25A$

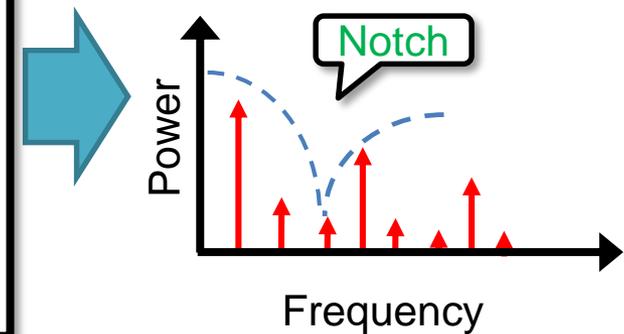
$f_{ck} : 500kHz$

$W_H : 1.6\mu s$

$W_L : 0.2\mu s$

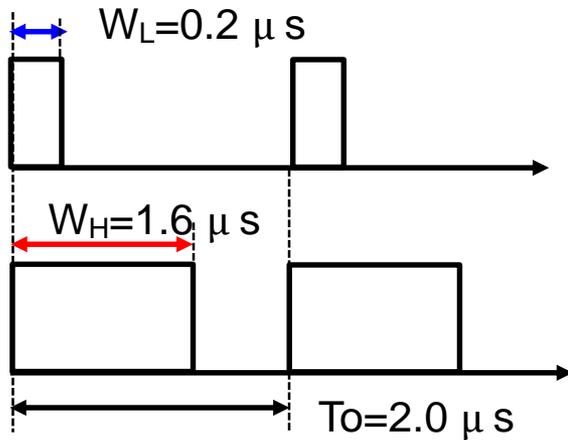


Spectrum of PWM signal



Simulation Result with PWC Control

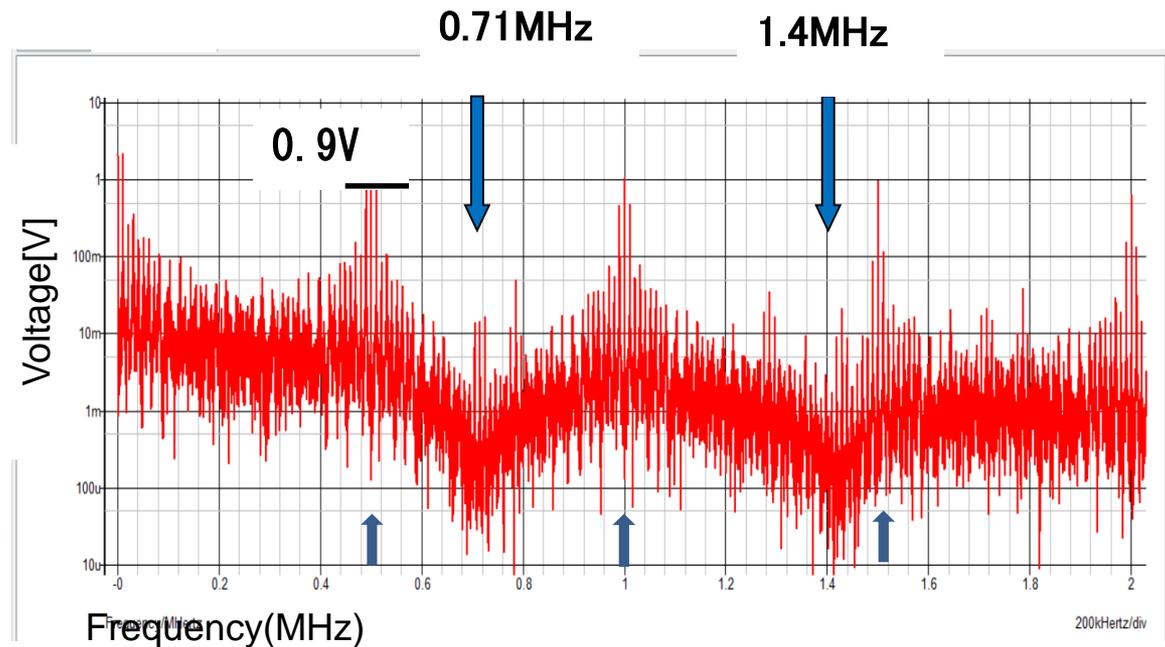
Design clock pulse to determine the notch frequency



Pulse widths of the coding pulses

$$F_n \cong N \times \frac{1}{(W_H - W_L)} \quad [N = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n]$$

$$= N \times \frac{1}{1.6 \mu s - 0.2 \mu s} = 0.71 \text{ MHz}$$



PWM signal spectrum using PWC control

★ manually set W_L and W_H

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Automatic PWC Control

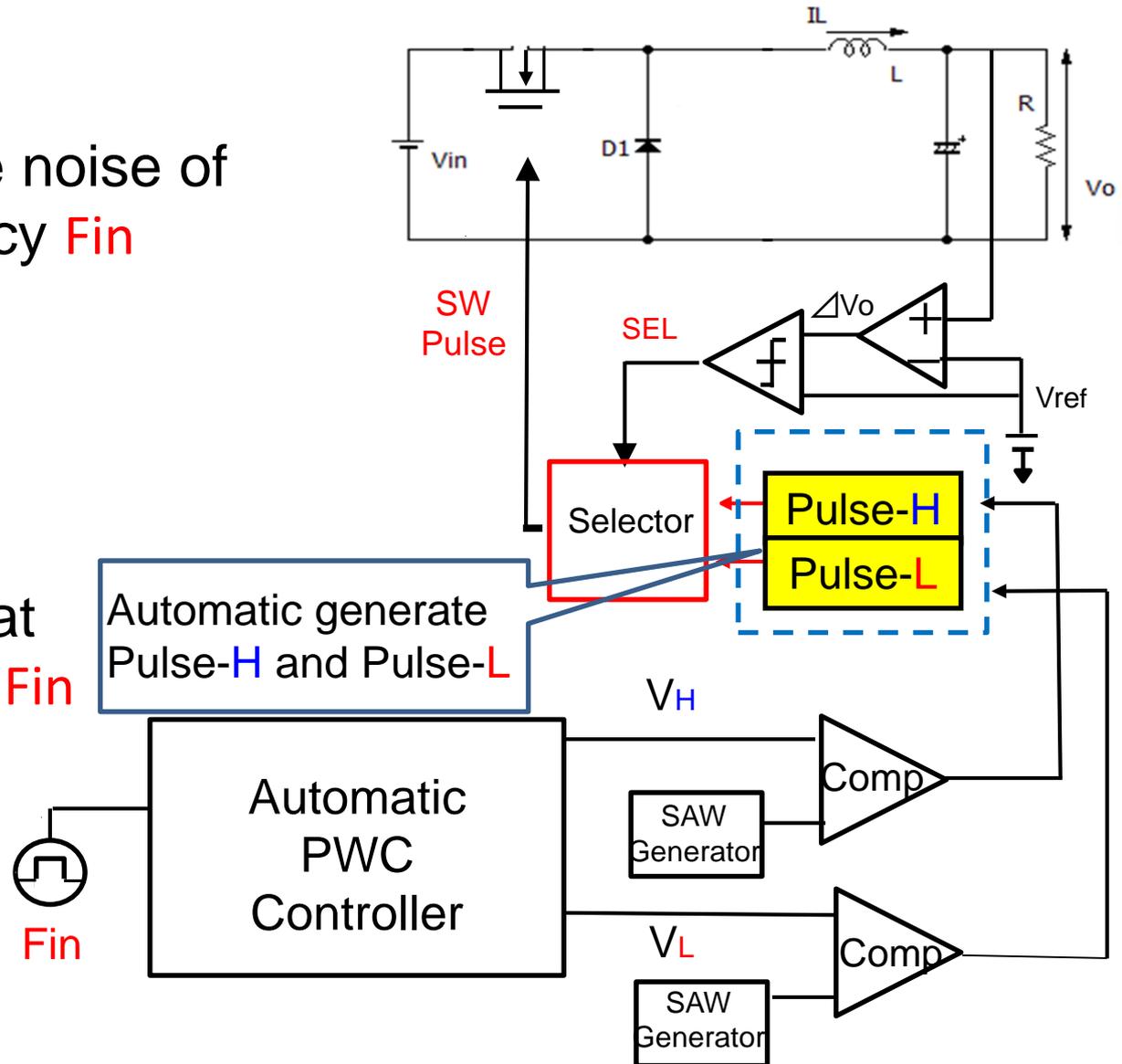
Objective

Reduction generate noise of receive frequency F_{in}



Method

generate notch at receive frequency F_{in}



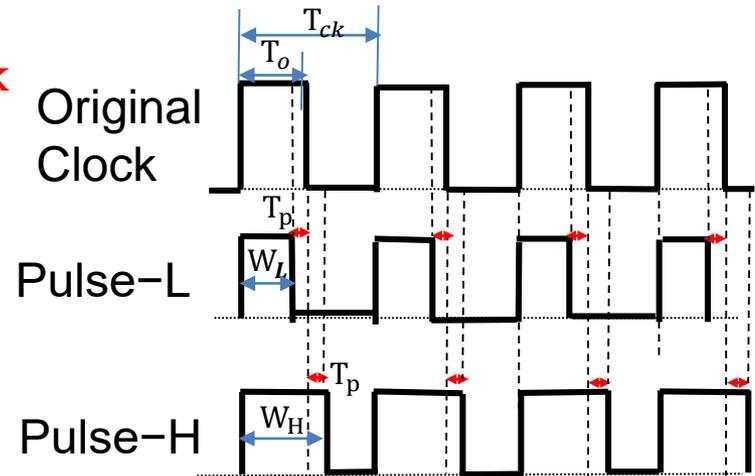
Clock Frequency, Notch Frequency and PWC

The relationship between F_n and F_{ck}

$$NF_{ck} < F_n < (N + 1)F_{ck}$$

Optimal

$$F_n = (N + 0.5)F_{ck}$$



The relationship between F_n and PWM signal

$$F_n \cong N \times \frac{1}{(W_H - W_L)}$$

When $N = 1$

$$T_n \cong (W_H - W_L)$$

W_H and W_L

Generated at the center of the original clock

$$T_o = D_o \times T_{ck} = \frac{V_o}{V_{in}} \times T_{ck}$$

$$W_L = T_o - T_p$$

$$W_H = T_o + T_p$$

$$T_n = W_H - W_L = 2 \times T_p$$

Generate Pulse-H and Pulse-L Automatically

Generate T_{ck} from T_{in} using

$$F_{in} = (N+0.5) \cdot F_{ck}$$

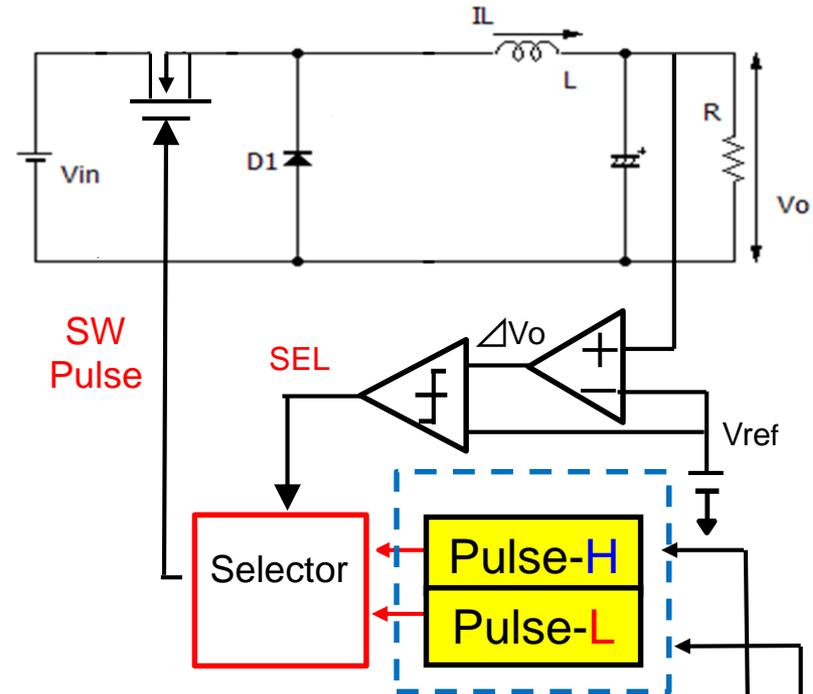
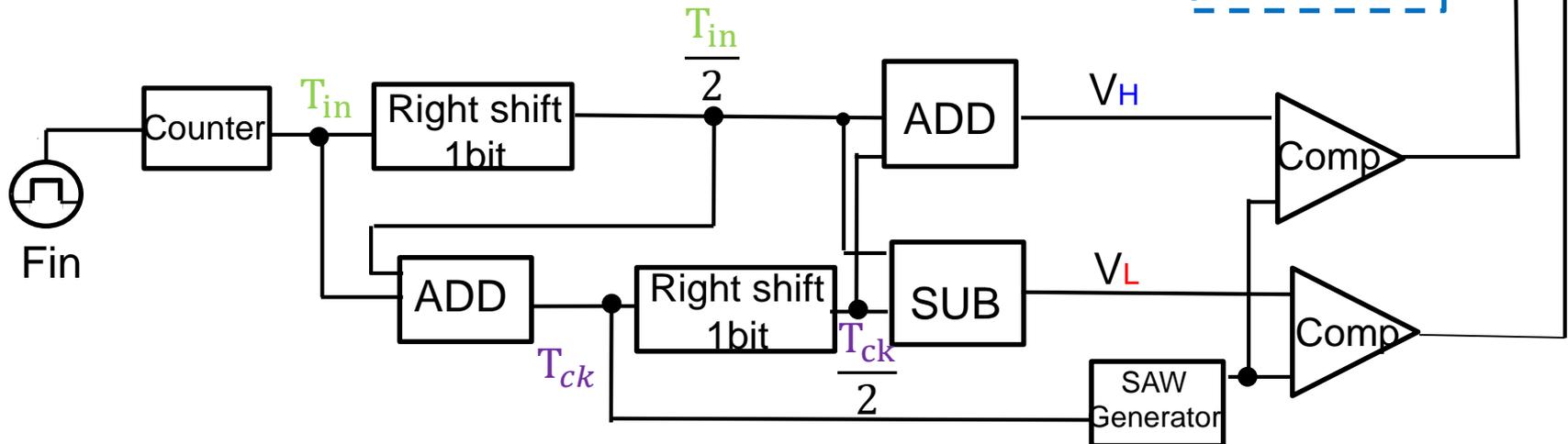
$$T_{ck} = (N+0.5) \cdot T_{in}$$

$$W_L = T_o - T_p = D_o \times T_{ck} - \frac{1}{2} T_{in}$$

$$W_H = T_o + T_p = D_o \times T_{ck} + \frac{1}{2} T_{in}$$

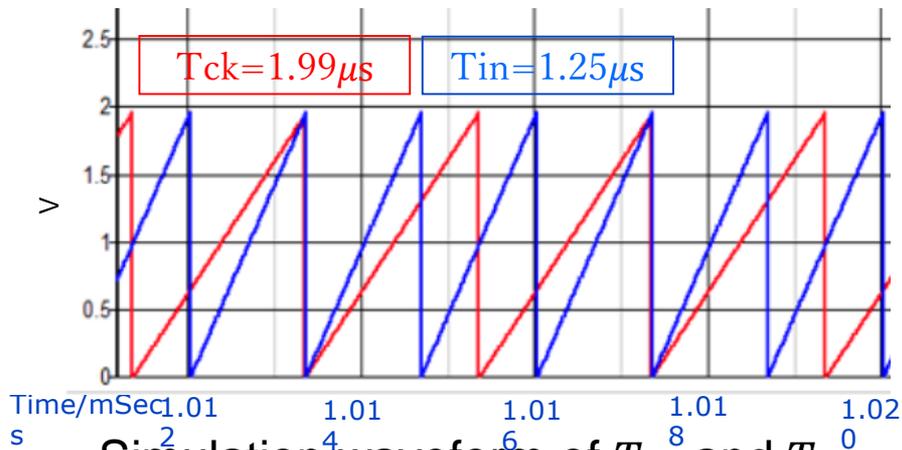
$$T_n = 2 \times T_p$$

$$D_o = 0.5 \quad N = 1 \text{ situation}$$



Simulation Waveforms of W_H , W_L Generation

We set $F_{in} = 750kHz$ \rightarrow Automatic generated $F_{ck} = 500kHz$



Simulation waveform of T_{ck} and T_{in}

$$T_{ck} = (N + 0.5)T_{in} = 1.5T_{in}$$

Theoretical formula

$$W_H = 1.66\mu s$$

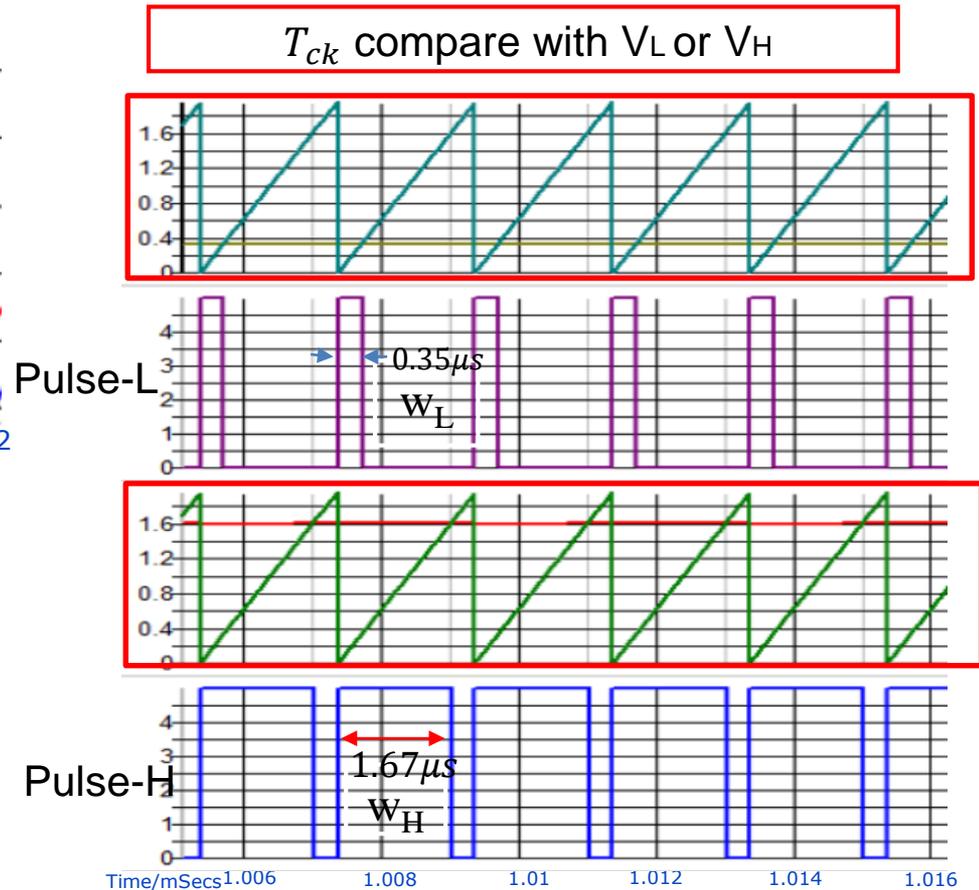
$$W_L = 0.25\mu s$$

Simulation result

$$W_H = 1.67\mu s$$

$$W_L = 0.35\mu s$$

Well
matched



Simulation waveforms of W_H and W_L

Noise Spectrum of PWM Signal Case 1

$$F_{in} = (N + 0.5)F_{ck}$$

N=1 Best position : $F_{ck} < F_n < 2F_{ck}$

$F_{in}=750\text{kHz} \Rightarrow F_{ck}=500\text{kHz}$ ($W_H=1.66\mu\text{s}$, $W_L=0.25\mu\text{s}$)

© Condition

Buck DC-DC converter

$V_{in} : 10\text{V}$

$V_{out} : 5\text{V}$

$L : 200 \mu\text{H}$

$C : 470 \mu\text{F}$

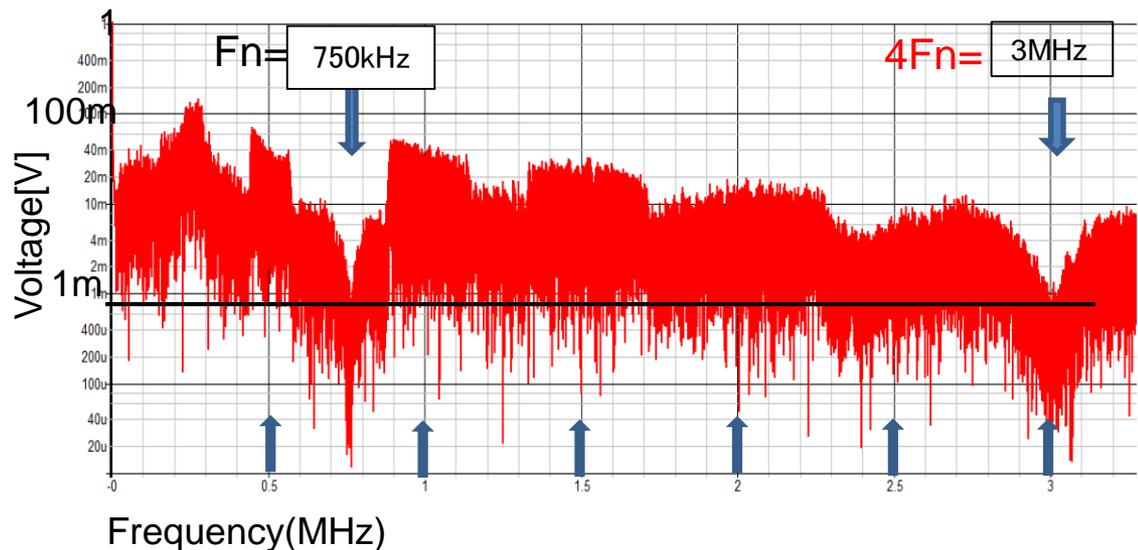
$I_{out} : 0.25\text{A}$

© Result

$F_n=750\text{kHz}$

$4 \cdot F_n=3.0\text{MHz}$

Why
appear?



Simulated spectrum with EMI reduction

Assume to suppress influence on AM in 750kHz

$$F_{in} = 750\text{kHz} \Rightarrow F_{notch} = 750\text{kHz}$$

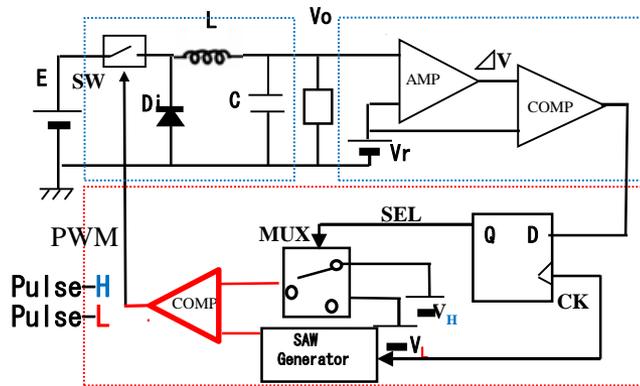
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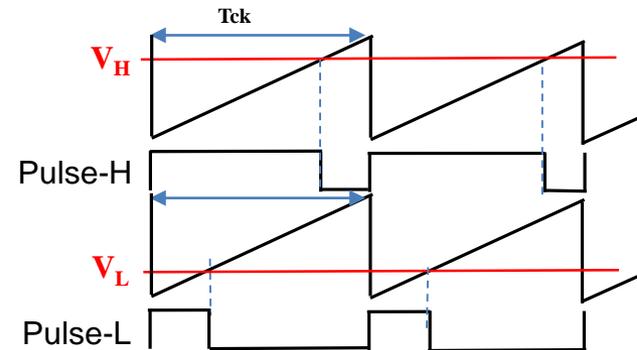
Implementation of PWC Control Switching Converter

Generation of W_H and W_L

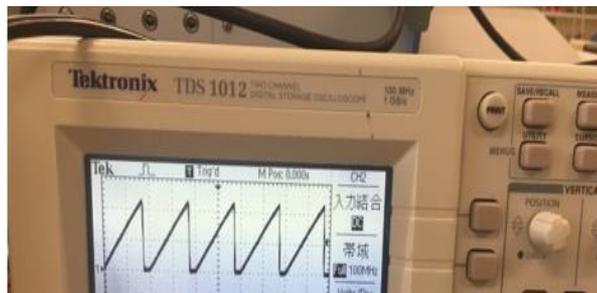
V_o	Op amp output	comparator output	SEL	PWM output	Duty
$>5V$	L	L	L	P_L	L
$<5V$	H	H	H	P_H	H



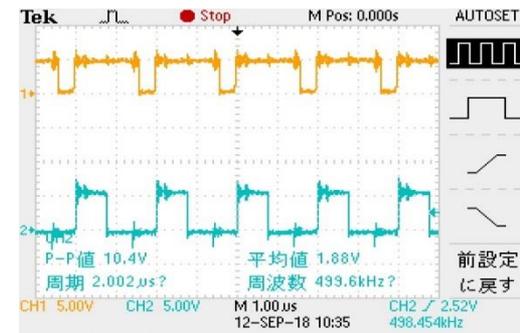
Converter with PWC control



Theoretical waveform



Saw-tooth waveform
(Period: 2 μ s)



Implementation pulse of
Pulse-H and Pulse-L

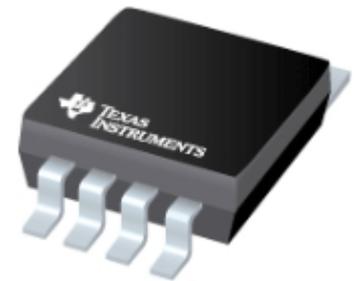
IC Selection and Measurement Items

IC selection

LMR23630 36V 3A synchronous step-down converter

Features:

1. 4-V to 36-V input range
2. Current-mode control
3. 400-kHz switching frequency and adjustable frequency options
4. Frequency synchronization to external clock
5. PFM and forced PWM mode options



Measurement Items

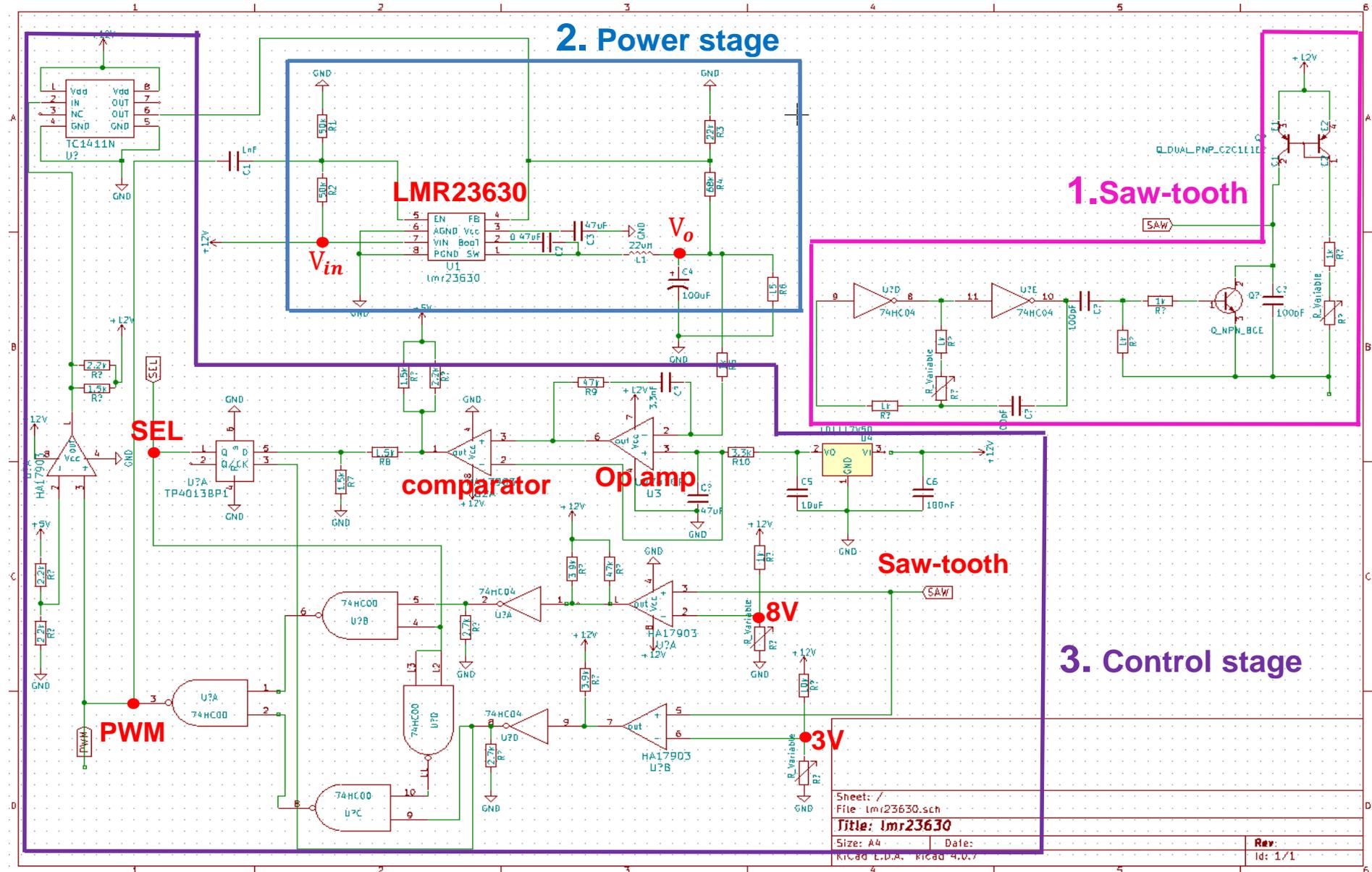
Output voltage : V_o

Waveform of Pulse-H and Pulse-L

Waveform of Saw-tooth

Spectrum of PWM signal

Implementation Circuit Diagram

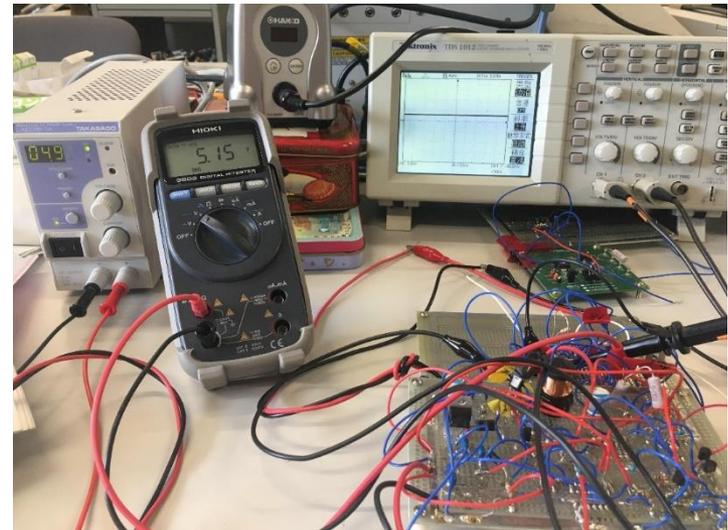


Parameter Setting

Vin	12V
Vo	5V
L	100uH
C	47uF
Vref	5V
fclk	500kHz



Pulse generator can generate clocks
of 250kHz or less
Using pulse generation circuit



Implementation

Spectrum of PWC Control Switching Converter

Theoretical formula

$$F_{notch} = \frac{N}{(W_H - W_L)} = \frac{N}{(1.0\mu s - 0.4\mu s)} = 1.66\text{MHz}$$

©Condition

Buck DC-DC converter

V_{in} : 12V

V_{out} : 5V

L : 22 μ H

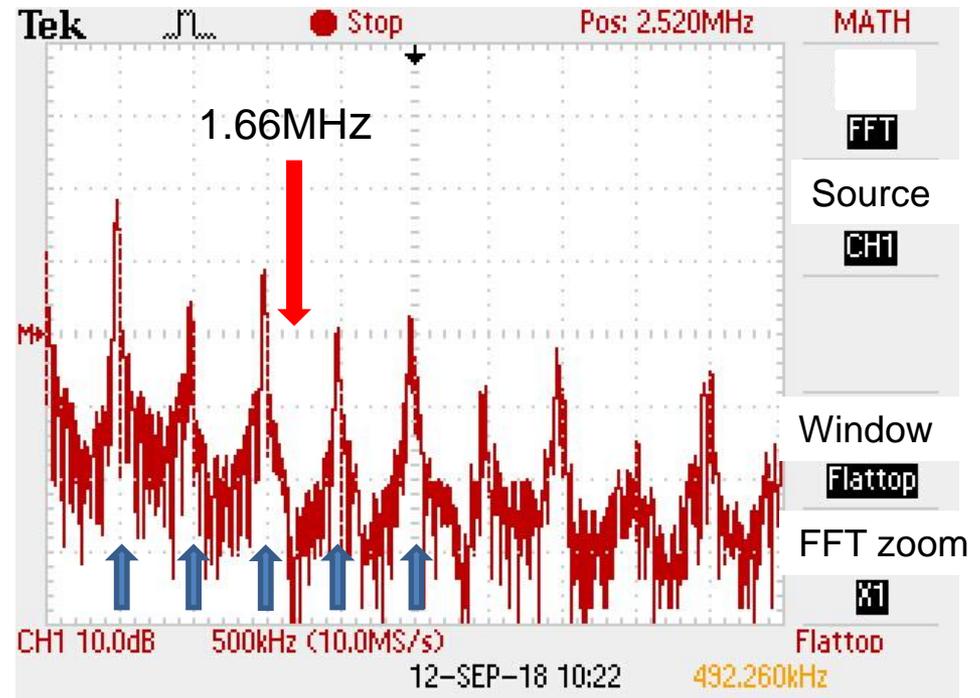
C : 100 μ F

I_{out} : 0.4A

$W_H = 1.0\mu s$

$W_L = 0.4\mu s$

$f_{clock} = 1.66\text{MHz}$



Notch between $3f_{ck}$ and $4f_{ck}$

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Conclusion and Future Work

Conclusion

For EMI problem handling in switching power converter

- Developed pulse coding control in order to generate notch characteristics at desired frequency
- Automatic generate the F_{notch} from F_{in}
- Implementation of PWC control switching converter

Future work

- Implementation of full automatic PWC control switching converter

Thank you for Listening

Q&A

Q1: If using this device, the noise of the spectrum will be decreased?

A: If using the pulse coding method as I mentioned early in switching converter, the noise of the spectrum will be decreased. In implementation, the IC which I choose can create the step-down conversion function from 12V to 5V. And the pulse coding function is realized in the control part of the circuit.

Q2: The frequency of PWM was a fixed frequency?

A: Yes, the frequency of PWM was set by ourselves and it is always 500kHz.