

Automatic Notch Generation and Conversion Voltage Ratio Analysis in Pulse Coding Control Switching Converter

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[1] PWC : Pulse Width Coding

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Research Background



Electronic circuits

High density and complication



Problem

Large EMI^[2] noise



Focus

EMI reduction \Rightarrow spread noise spectrum



Task

Clock modulation \Rightarrow diffusion clock noise

[2] 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 :

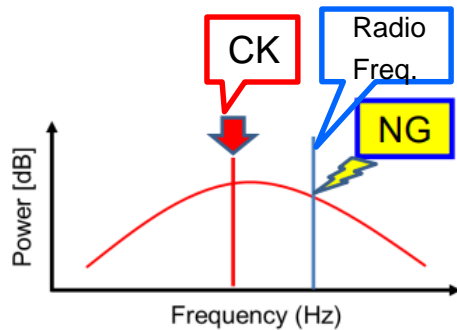
\Rightarrow EMI reduction & Noise diffusion



Further more

Noise suppression near receive frequency

Problem



Research Summary

Proposed method

Pulse coding method

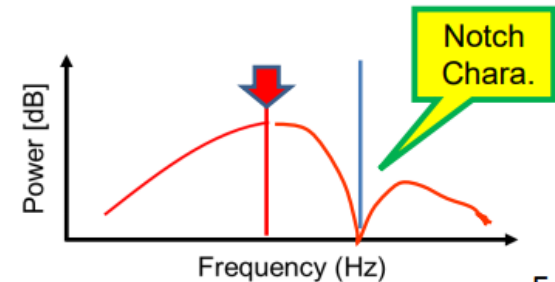


Design modulation circuit

⇒ generate notch frequency automatically

Achievement

- ① EMI reduction
- ② Noise removal
- ③ Automatic generation of F_{notch}
- ④ Conversion voltage ratio analysis

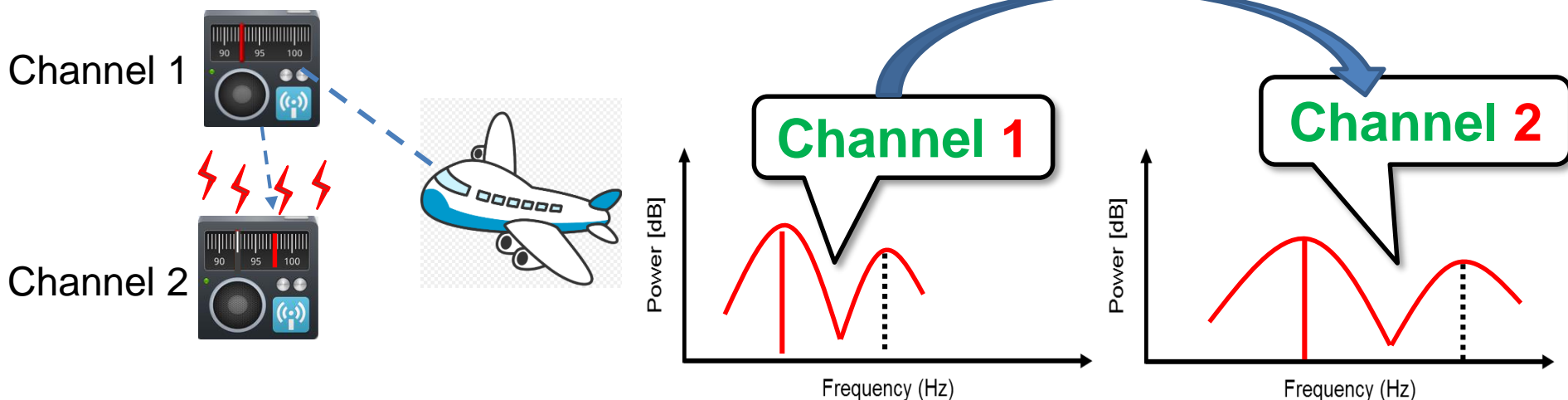


Research Application

Information equipment **switching power supply**



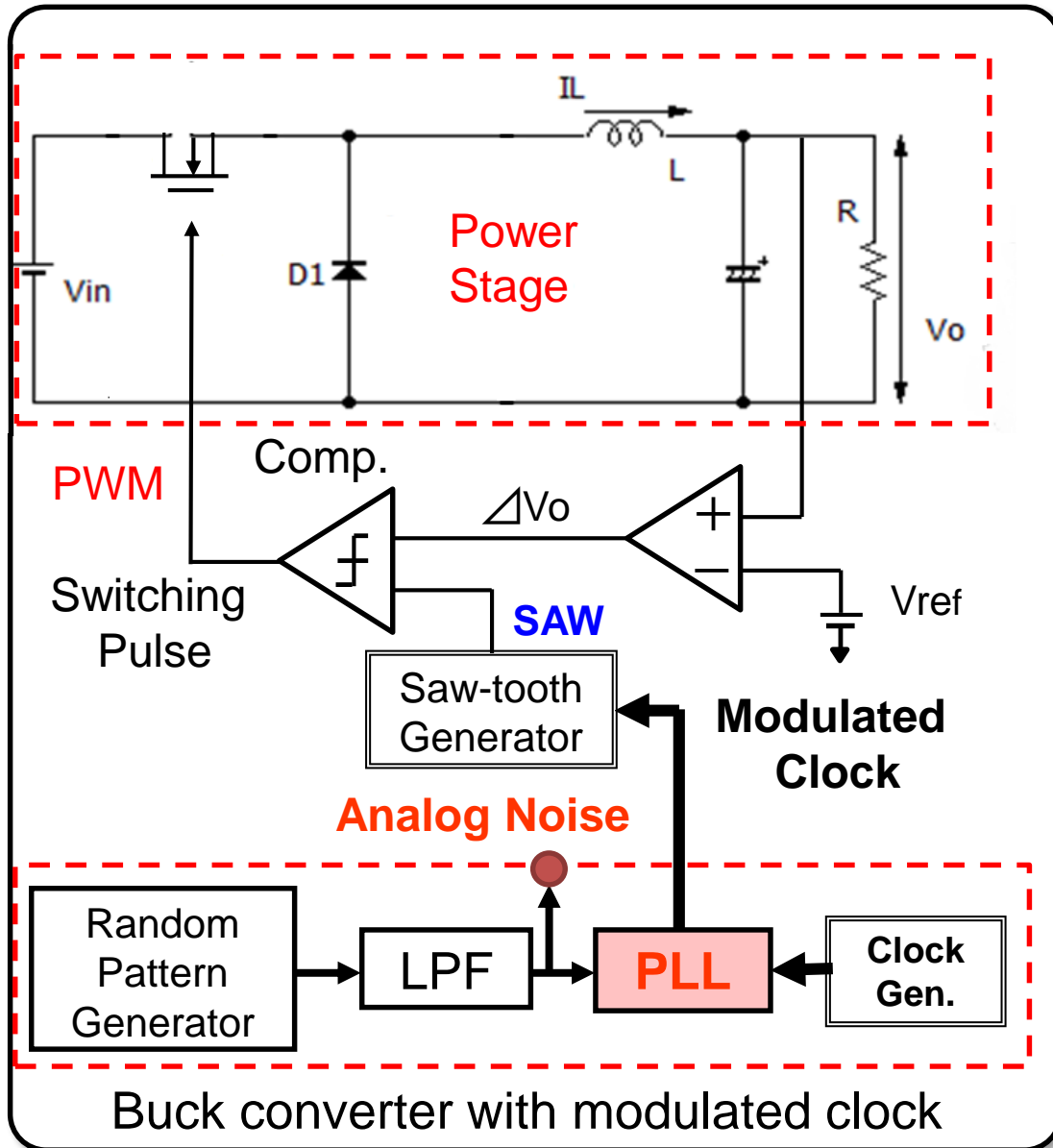
- ① Receiving weak radio waves
- ② Noise near receive frequency
⇒ **automatically** removed
- ③ Receive frequency change
⇒ **Notch frequency** automatically change



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Spread Spectrum Using Pseudo Analog Noise



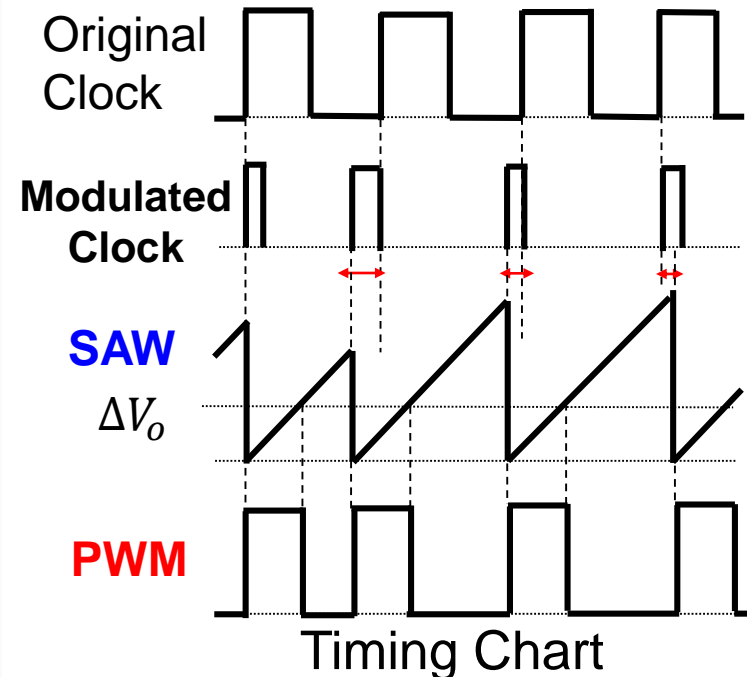
Reduce EMI noise



modulation clock to control SAW



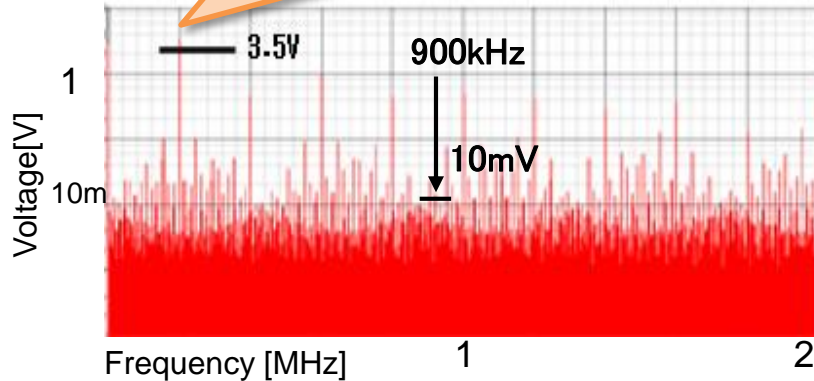
shaking phase using analog noise & PLL^[3]



[3] PLL: Phase Locked Loop

Spread Spectrum for EMI Reduction

Maximum noise **3.5V**



PWM signal spectrum without EMI reduction

©Simulation conditions

Input : 12V

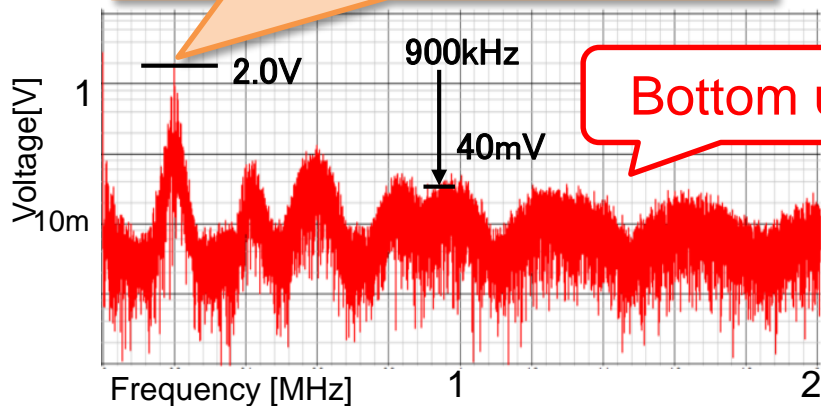
Output : 6V

Clock frequency : 200kHz

Without EMI reduction

- Noise ⇒ basic and harmonic frequencies
- Bottom level: 1mV

Maximum noise **2.0V**



PWM signal spectrum with EMI reduction

With EMI reduction

- Peak level ⇒ reduced a lot

Noise : concentrated by diffusion



No good

- Bottom level : 10mV
around the received frequency

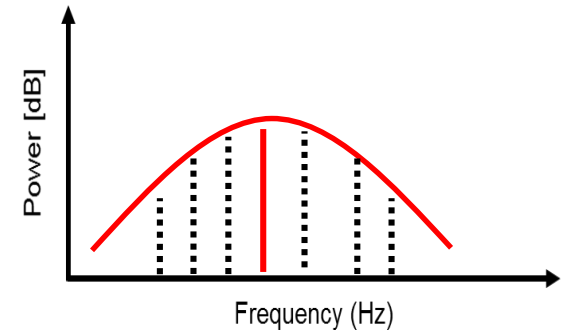
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Diffuse Noise to Specific Frequency

Problem

Noise diffusing uniformly
(analog modulation)

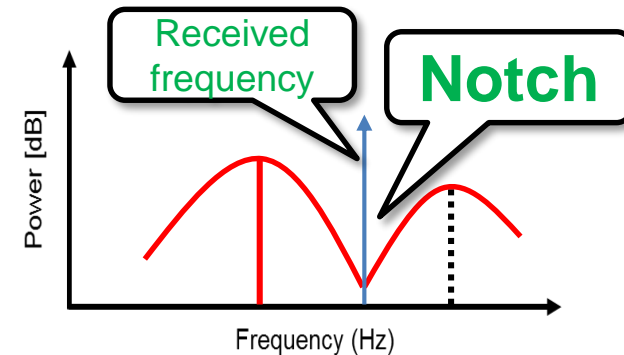


Digital modulation

Noise spread to specific frequency (discrete)



Frequency band where
noise does not spread

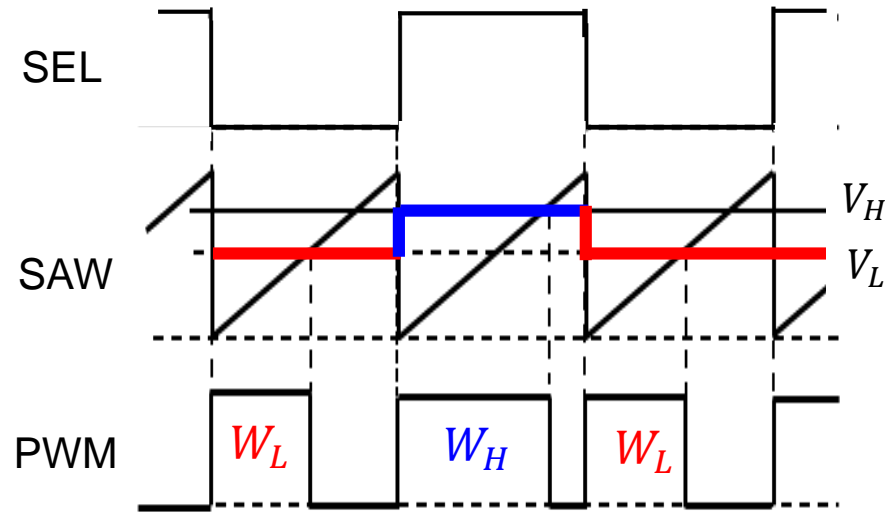
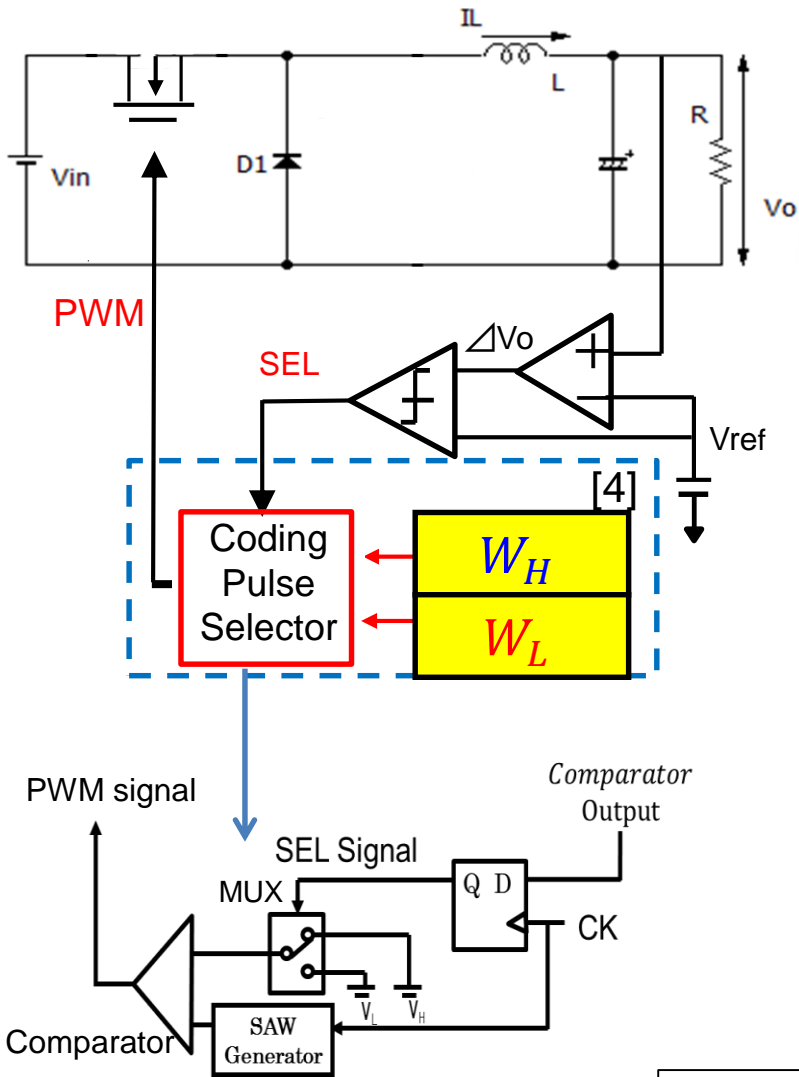


Notch band created in important frequency band



- EMI Reduction
- Control of diffused noise

Pulse Width Coding in Switching Converter



SEL High

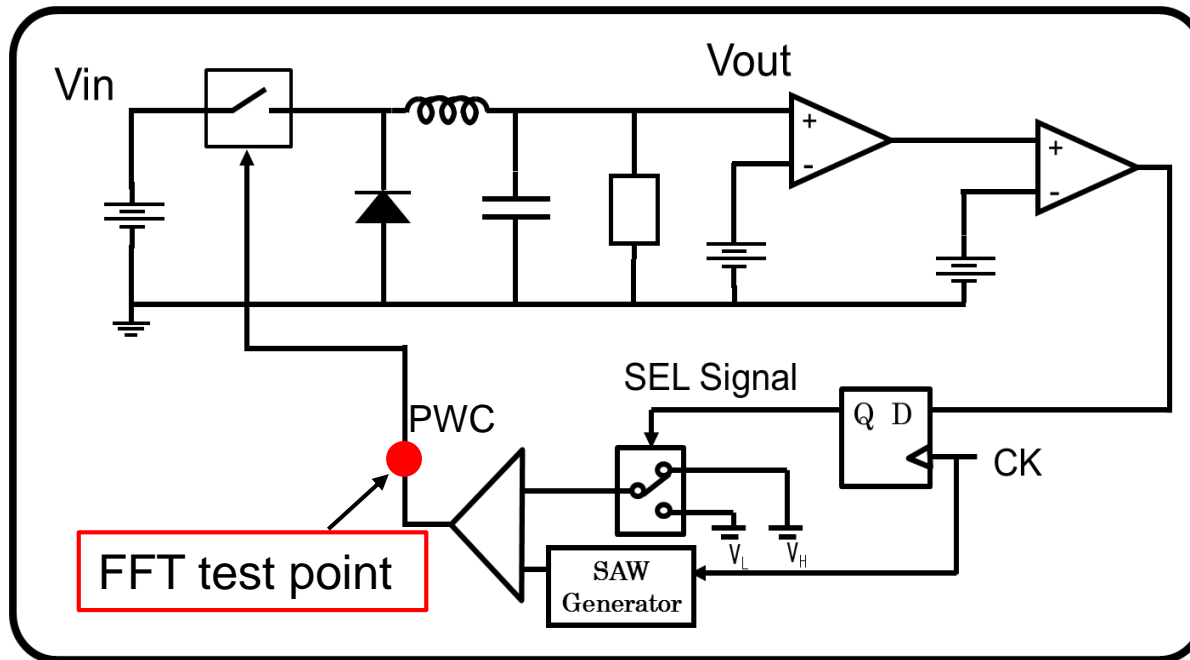
- ① MUX select V_H
- ② Generate pulse with **wide width** in comparator

SEL Low

- ① MUX select V_L
- ② Generate pulse with **narrow width** in comparator

[4] W_H : Wide width of PWM signal (High duty ratio)
 W_L : Narrow width of PWM signal (Low duty ratio)

Simulation Condition



© Condition

Buck DC-DC converter

V_{in} : 10V

V_{out} : 5.0V

L : 200 μ H

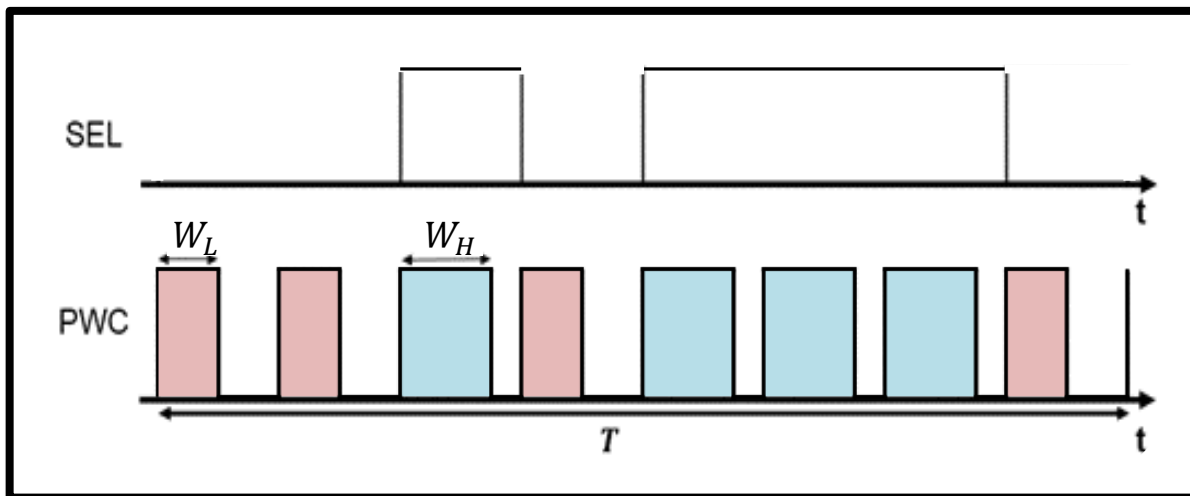
C : 470 μ F

I_{out} : 0.25A

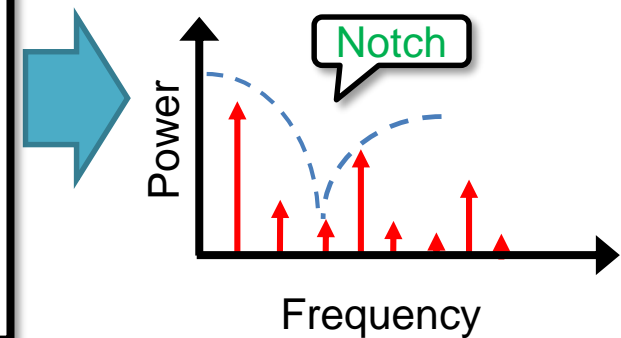
f_{ck} : 500kHz

W_H : 1.6 μ s

W_L : 0.2 μ s

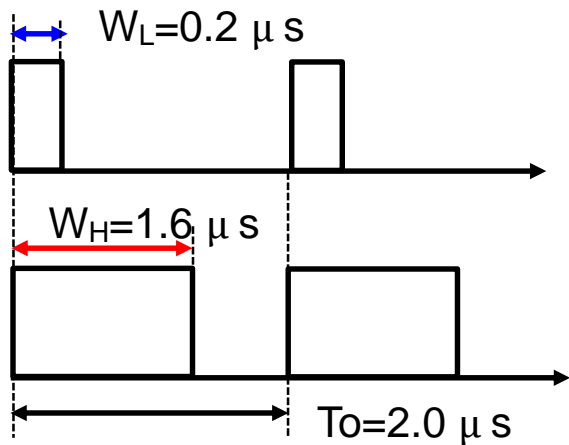


Spectrum of PWC signal



Simulation Result with PWC Control

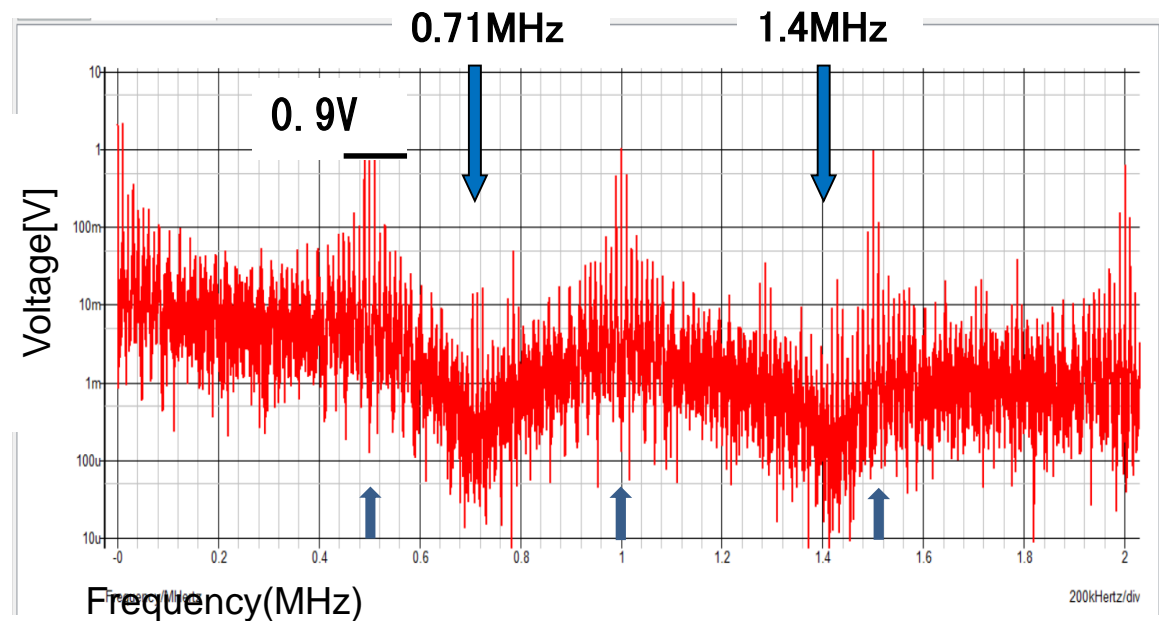
Design clock pulse to determine the notch frequency F_n



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
(without feedback)

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Automatic PWC Controller

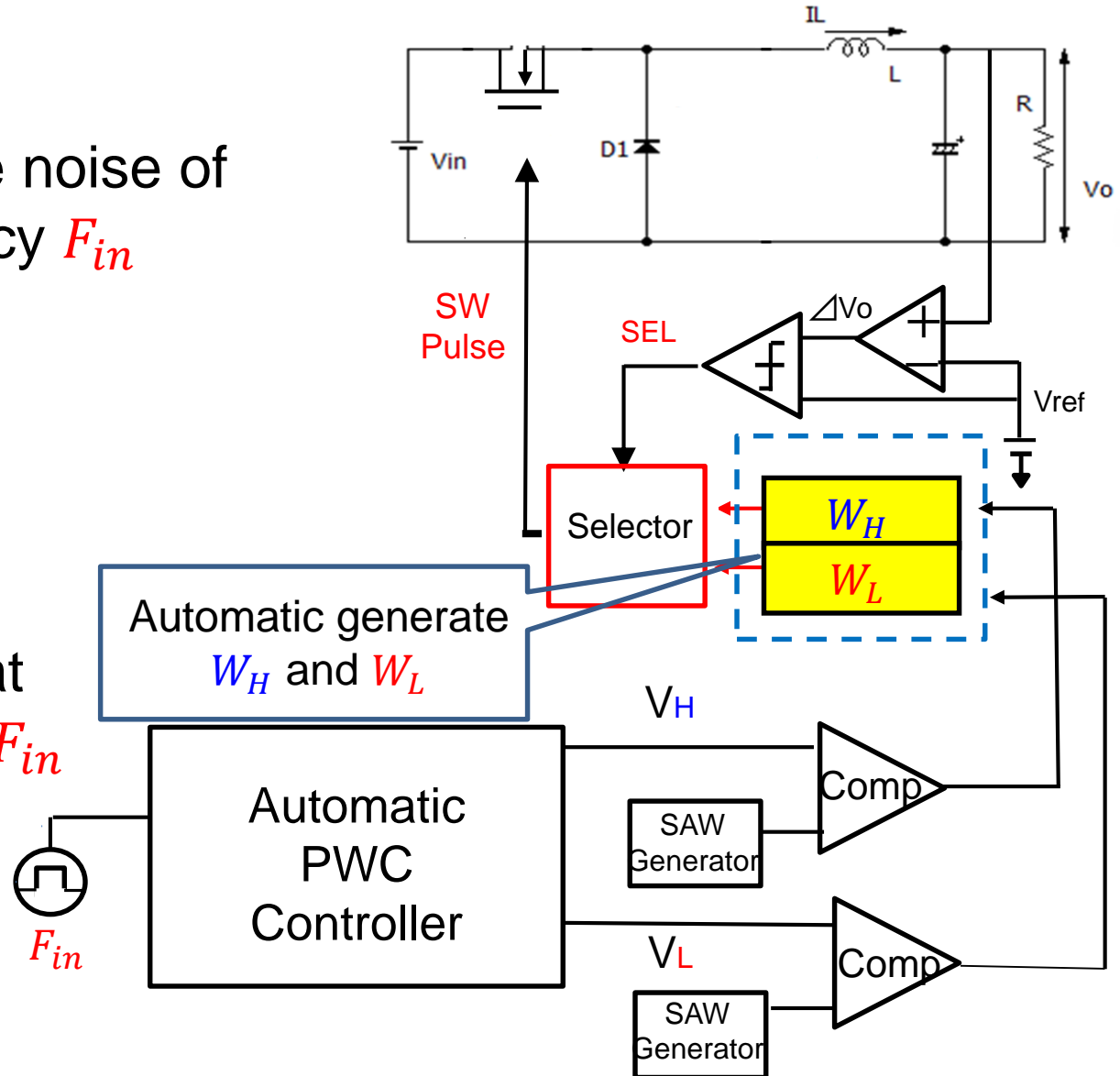
Objective

Reduction generate noise of receive frequency F_{in}



Method

PWC control generate notch at receive frequency F_{in}



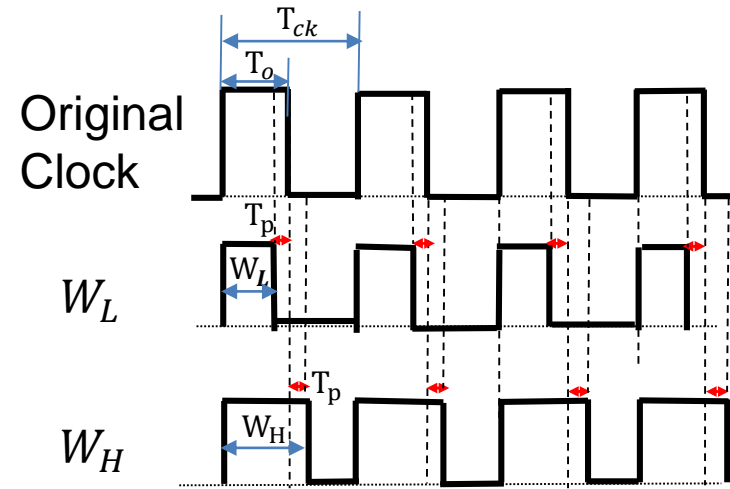
PWC Pulse with Clock Frequency F_{ck} and Notch Frequency F_n

The relationship between F_n and F_{ck}

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

Optimal

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



Timing Chart

The relationship between F_n and PWC

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

When $N = 1$

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

W_H and W_L

Generated at the center of the original clock

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

$$W_L = T_o - T_p$$

$$W_H = T_o + T_p$$

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

Automatic Pulse Generation

Generate T_{ck} from T_{in} using

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

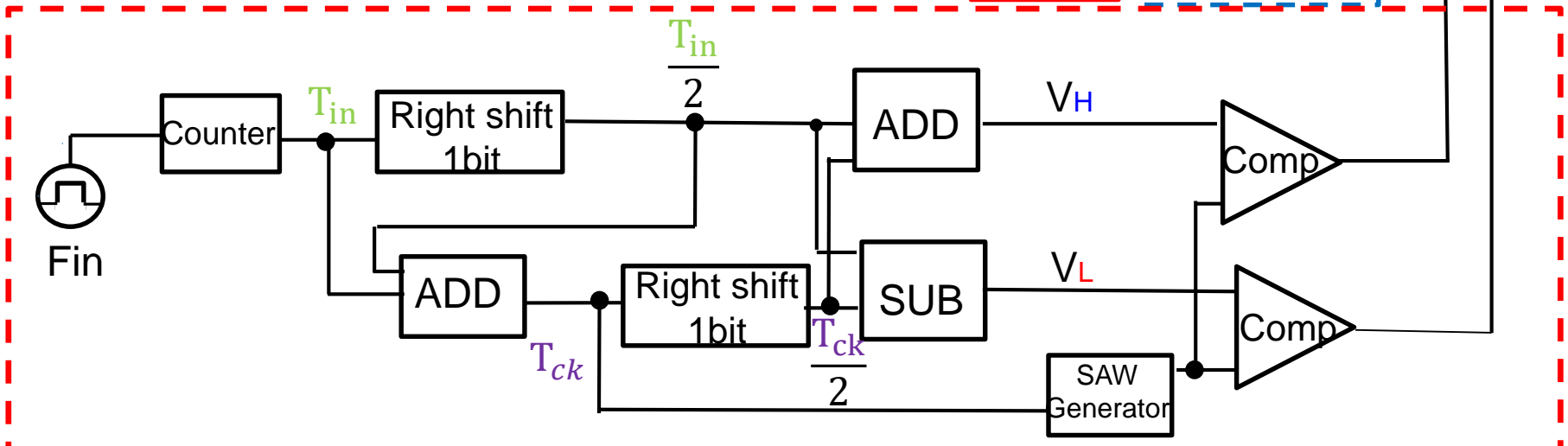
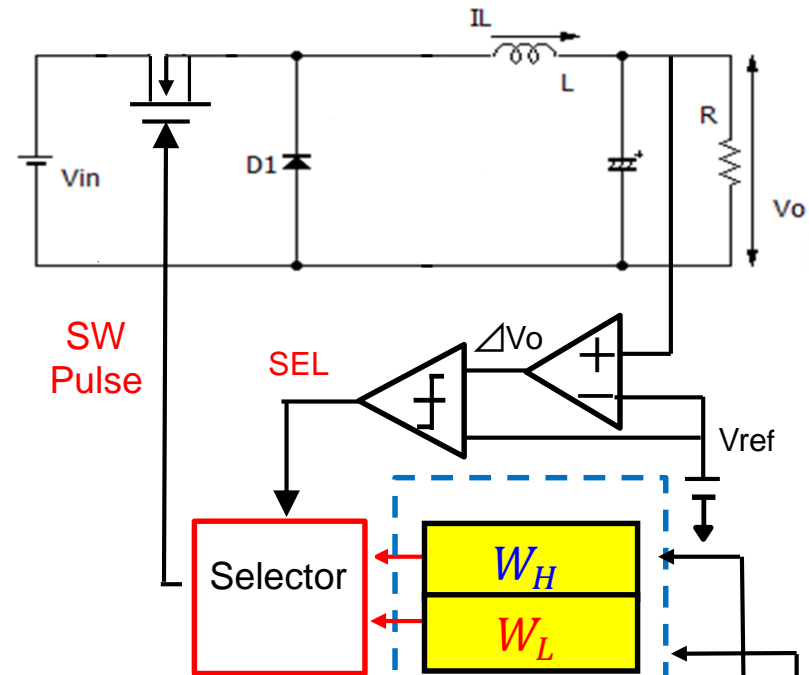
$$T_{ck} = (N+0.5) \cdot T_{in}$$

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

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

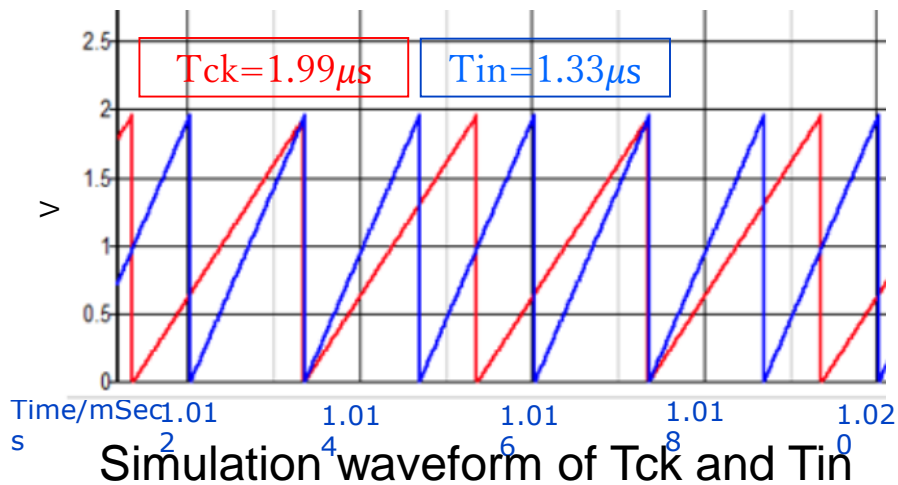
$$T_n = 2 \times T_p$$

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



Simulation Waveforms of W_H , W_L Generation

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



Theoretical formula

$$W_H = 1.66\mu s$$

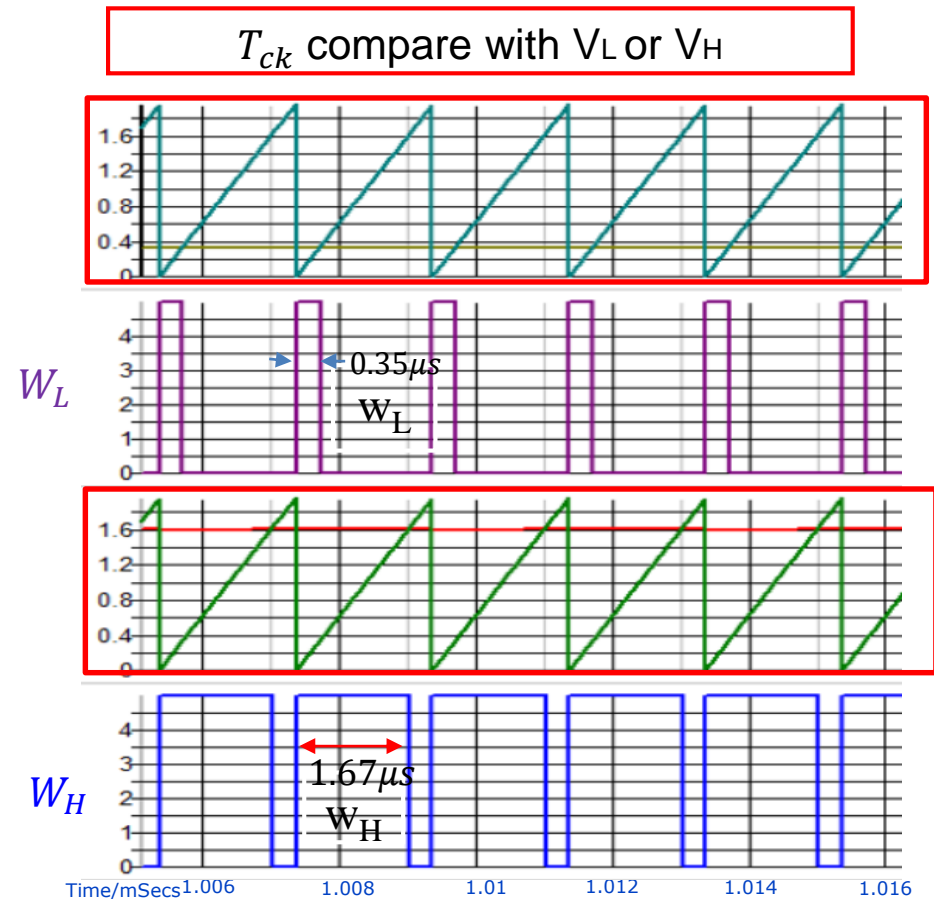
$$W_L = 0.32\mu s$$

Experimental result

$$W_H = 1.67\mu s$$

$$W_L = 0.35\mu s$$

Well
matched



Simulation waveform of W_H and W_L

Noise Spectrum of PWC Signal

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

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

$F_{in}=750\text{kHz} \Rightarrow F_{ck}=500\text{kHz}$ ($W_H=1.66\mu\text{s}$, $W_L=0.32\mu\text{s}$)

© Condition

Buck DC-DC converter

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

$V_{out} : 5.0\text{V}$

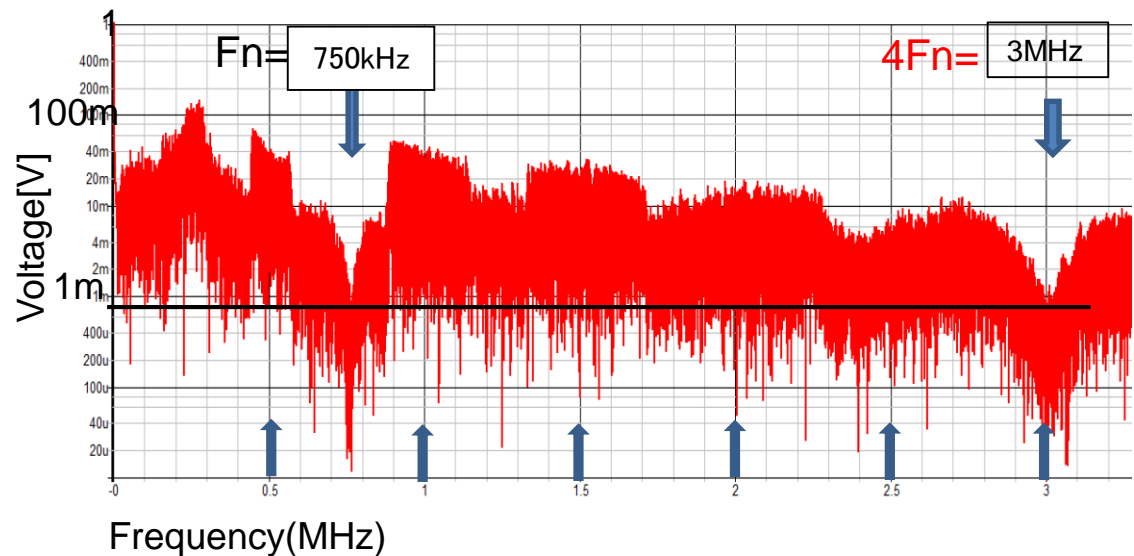
$L : 200 \mu\text{H}$

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

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

© Result

$F_n=750\text{kHz}$

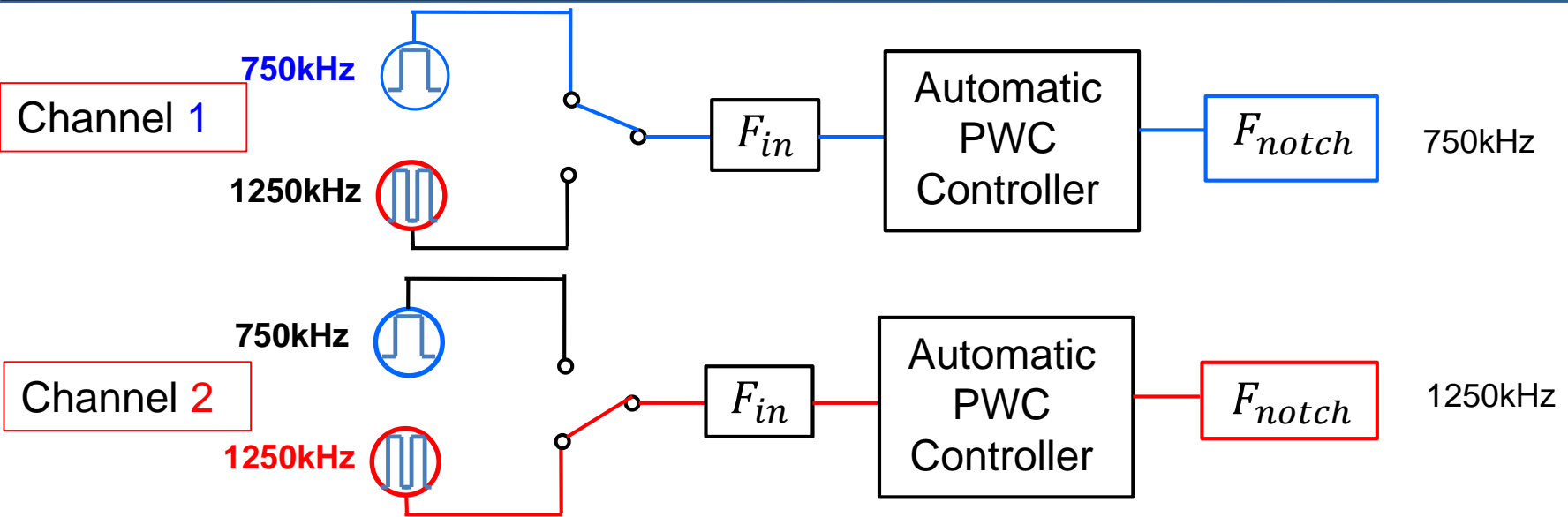


Simulated spectrum with EMI reduction

Assume to suppress influence on AM in 750kHz

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

Automatic PWC Controller



★ When F_{in} change, F_{ck} , W_H & W_L automatically change

$$F_{ck} = F_{in} \cdot (2/3), \quad W_H, W_L = D_o \cdot T_{ck} \pm T_{in}/2 \quad (\text{when } D_o = 0.5)$$

$$F_{in1} = 750\text{kHz} \Rightarrow F_{ck} = F_{in} \cdot (2/3) = 500\text{kHz}$$

$$T_{ck} = 2.0 \text{ us}, \quad W_H, W_L = 1.00\text{us} \pm 0.67\text{us}$$

$$F_{in2} = 1,250\text{kHz} \Rightarrow F_{ck} = F_{in} \cdot (2/3) = 833\text{kHz}$$

$$T_{ck} = 1.2 \text{ us}, \quad W_H, W_L = 0.60\text{us} \pm 0.40\text{us}$$

Automatic Notch Frequency Shift

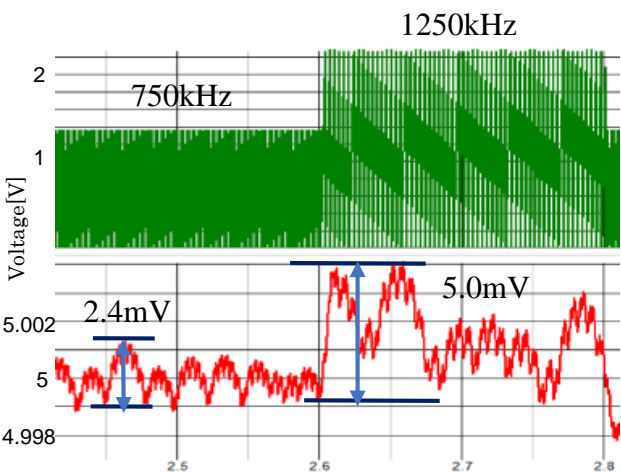
- Step response with input frequency change
Change F_{in} to 750kHz and 1250kHz at every 1 sec

* Output voltage ripple:

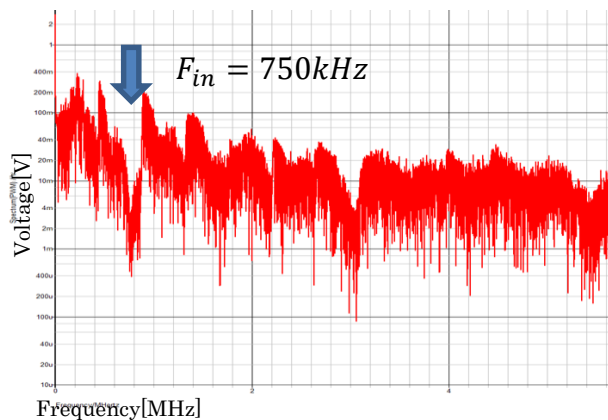
- Stable output voltage ripple: $\Delta V_o = 2.4\text{mV}_{pp}$ @ $I_o = 0.5\text{A}$
- Overshoot/undershoot: $\Delta V_s = 5.0\text{mV}$ @ $F_{in} = 750\text{k} \Leftrightarrow 1,250\text{kHz}$

* Simulated Spectrum of PWC signal:

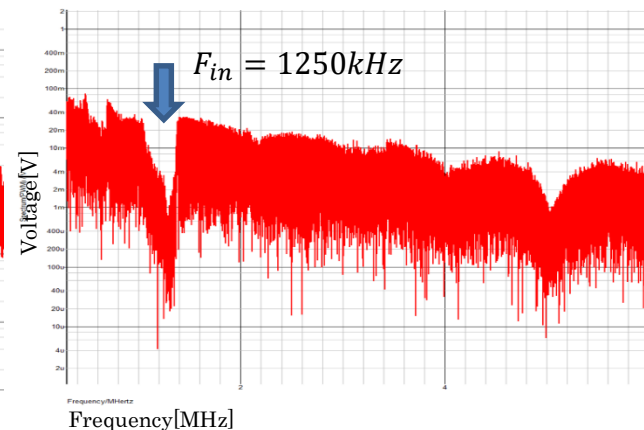
(Left) $F_{in} = 750\text{kHz}$, (Right) $F_{in} = 1,250\text{kHz}$



Transient response with F_{in} change



Spectrum in $F_{in} = 750\text{kHz}$ situation



Spectrum in $F_{in} = 1250\text{kHz}$ situation

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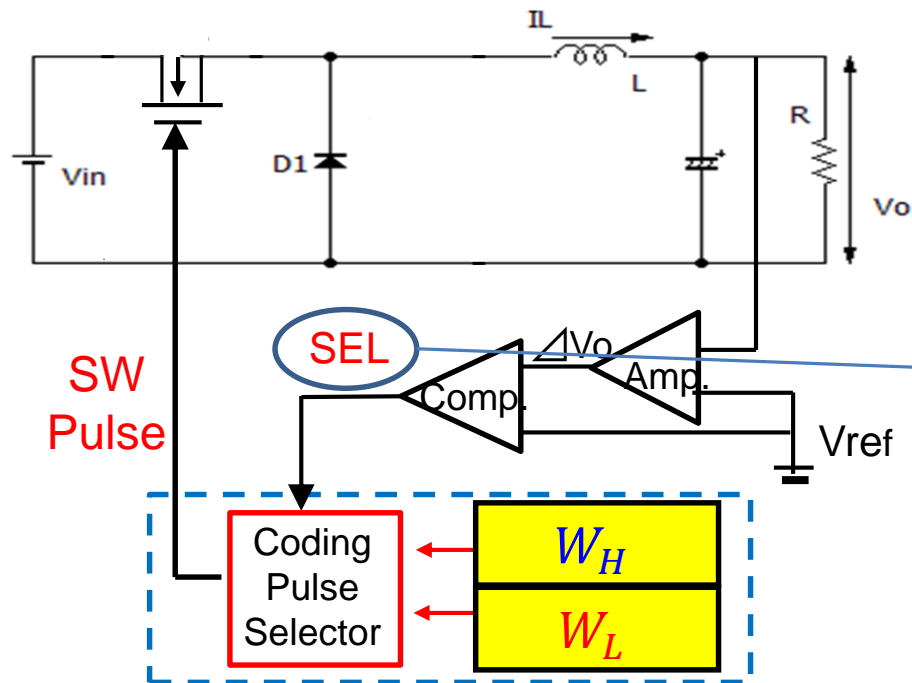
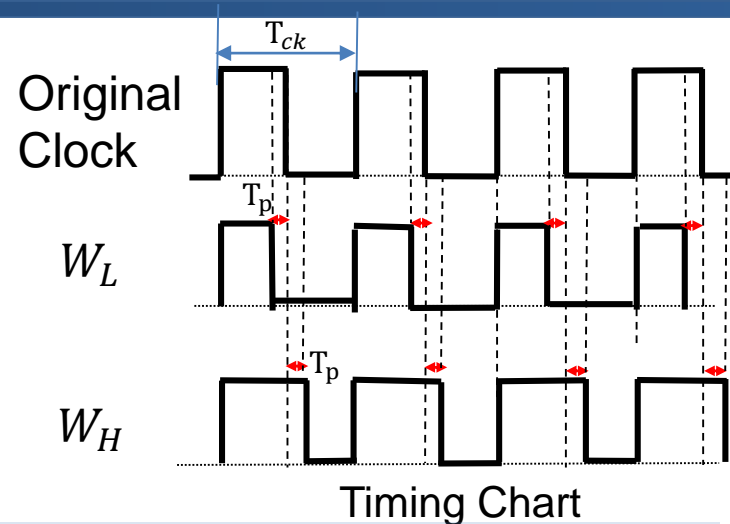
Necessity of Conversion Voltage Ratio Analysis

Conversion voltage ratio : $D_o = \frac{V_o}{V_i}$

Duty of **SEL** signal (high and low ratio) : D_s

The duty of W_H : $D_H = \frac{W_H}{T_{ck}}$

The duty of W_L : $D_L = \frac{W_L}{T_{ck}}$



Cause of D_o shift

- ① D_o shift $\Rightarrow D'_o = D_o + \Delta D$
- ② $\Delta D_H = D_H - D_o \neq D_o - D_L = \Delta D_L$

When D_o is **accurate**

Duty of **SEL** signal D_s will be balance $\Rightarrow 0.5$

Average voltage of **SEL** signal will be $\frac{V_{CC}}{2}$

When D_o **shift**

Duty of **SEL** signal D_s will be affected



Influence: output voltage ripple

Conversion Voltage Ratio Shift Situation

Cause of D_o shift

$$\textcircled{1} D_o \text{ shift} \Rightarrow D'_o = D_o + \Delta D$$

$$\textcircled{2} \Delta D_H = D_H - D_o \neq D_o - D_L = \Delta D_L$$

$$W_H = D_o T_{ck} + \frac{T_{in}}{2} \Rightarrow D_H = (D_o + \Delta D_o) + \Delta D_H$$

$$W_L = D_o T_{ck} - \frac{T_{in}}{2} \Rightarrow D_L = (D_o + \Delta D_o) - \Delta D_L$$

$$\text{Here } \Delta D_H = \Delta D_L = (T_{in}/2)/T_{ck} = 1/3$$

* Average of **SEL Duty** :

$$\begin{aligned} D_A(\alpha) &= \alpha D_H + (1-\alpha) D_L \\ &= \alpha (D_o + \Delta D_o + \Delta D_H) + (1-\alpha)(D_o + \Delta D_o - \Delta D_L) \\ &= (D_o + \Delta D_o) + \alpha \Delta D_H - (1-\alpha) \Delta D_L \end{aligned}$$

* According above equation, Let SEL duty: $D_A(\alpha) = 0.5$

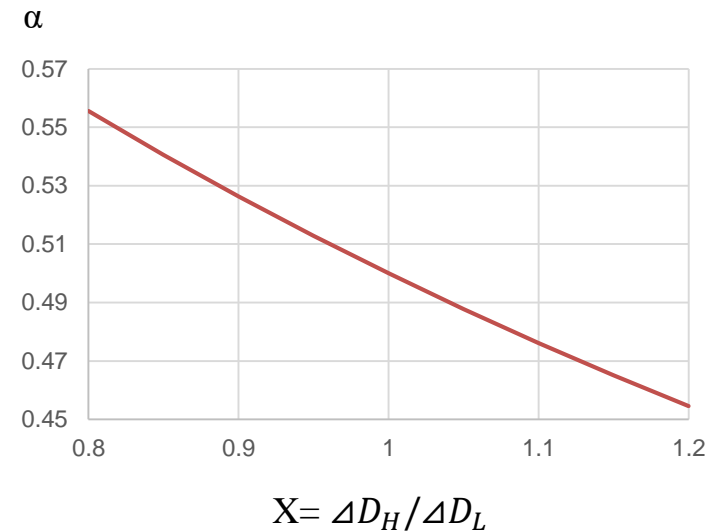
$$\begin{aligned} \Delta D_o = 0 \quad \& \quad \alpha \Delta D_H - (1-\alpha) \Delta D_L = 0 \\ \Rightarrow \Delta D_H &= \Delta D_L \quad \& \quad \alpha = 0.5 \end{aligned}$$

* In $\Delta D_H \neq \Delta D_L$ situation

$$\text{To be } \alpha \Delta D_H - (1-\alpha) \Delta D_L = 0$$

$$\alpha = 1/(1+x) \quad \text{Here } x = \Delta D_H / \Delta D_L$$

Only in this ratio, SEL duty changes, like the right graph



Relationship between $\Delta D_H / \Delta D_L$ and α

Cause of D_o shift

$$\textcircled{1} D_o \text{ shift} \Rightarrow D'_o = D_o + \Delta D$$

$$\textcircled{2} \Delta D_H = D_H - D_o \neq D_o - D_L = \Delta D_L$$



A little affected

Relationship between Average of SEL Duty D_A (α) and Output Ripple

* Cause of D_o shift

$$\textcircled{1} D_o \text{ shift} \Rightarrow D'_o = D_o + \Delta D$$

$$\textcircled{2} \Delta D_H = D_H - D_o \neq D_o - D_L = \Delta D_L$$

* Automatic generation of W_H and W_L

$$W_H = D_o T_{ck} + \frac{T_{in}}{2} \Rightarrow D_H = D_o + 1/3$$

$$W_L = D_o T_{ck} - \frac{T_{in}}{2} \Rightarrow D_L = D_o - 1/3$$

$$\therefore (T_{in}/2)/T_{ck} = 1/3$$

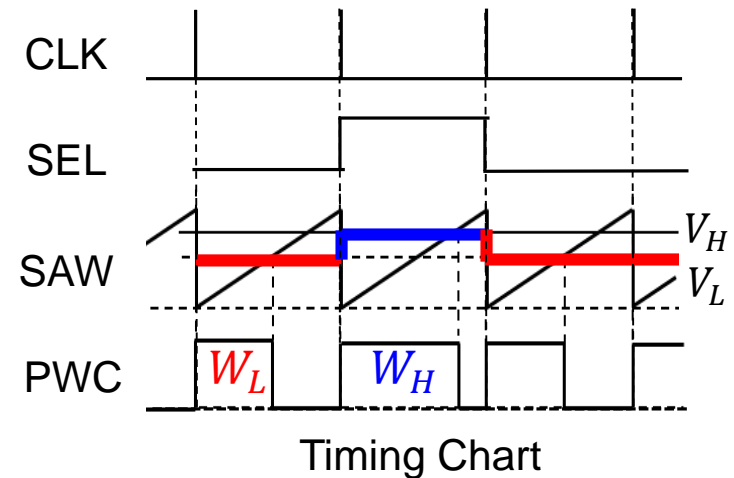
* Duty of SEL signal : $D_S = \alpha$

* Average of SEL Duty :

$$\begin{aligned} D_A(\alpha) &= \alpha D_H + (1 - \alpha) D_L \\ &= \alpha (D_o + 1/3) + (1 - \alpha) (D_o - 1/3) \\ &= D_o + (2\alpha - 1)/3 \end{aligned}$$

* To set $D_A(\alpha) = D_o$, α should be 0.5.

Then, average voltage of SEL signal will be $\frac{V_{cc}}{2}$.



◆ When V_{in} changes, actually D'_o shifts after the circuit has been designed



$$D'_o = V_o/V_i(1 + \beta) \doteq (1 - \beta) \cdot V_o/V_i = (1 - \beta) \cdot D_o$$



Influence: output voltage ripple

Influence of Input Voltage Change

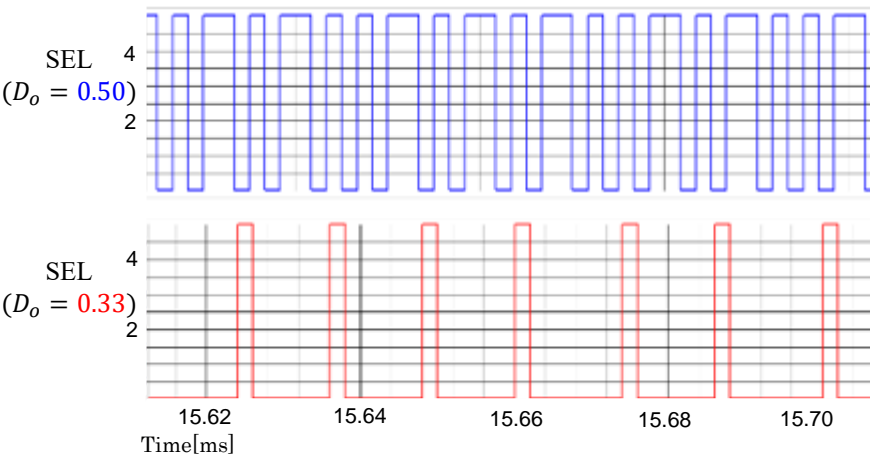
$$D_o = \frac{V_o}{V_i}$$

Change $V_i = 10V$
 $15V$
 $18V$

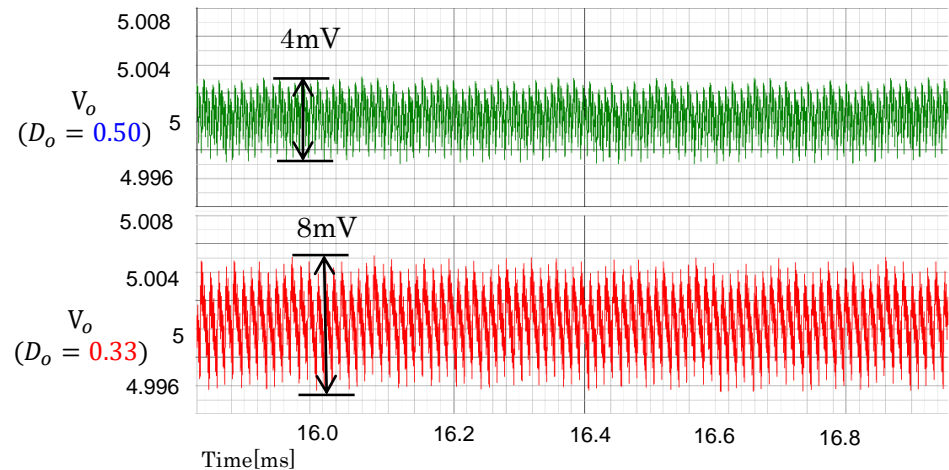
$$D_{o1} = \frac{V_o}{V_i} = \frac{5}{10} = 0.5$$

$$D_{o2} = \frac{V_o}{V_i} = \frac{5}{15} = 0.33$$

$$D_{o3} = \frac{V_o}{V_i} = \frac{5}{18} = 0.28$$



Waveforms of select signal

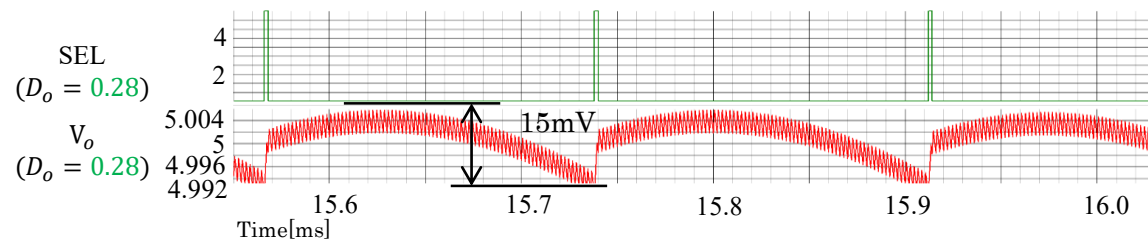


Change of output ripple

★ D_o shift \Rightarrow output voltage ripple effected & become bigger

Ex. $D_{o3} = 0.28$

$\Delta V_o = 15mV_{pp}$



D_o Setting Method

The relationship between T_{in} and D_o (N=1)

$$D_o T_{ck} + \frac{T_{in}}{2} < T_{ck}$$

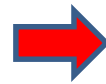
$$D_o T_{ck} - \frac{T_{in}}{2} > 0$$

$$T_{ck} = 1.5T_{in}$$



$$0.33 < D_o < 0.67$$

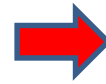
$$D_{o3} = \frac{V_o}{V_i} = \frac{5}{18} = 0.28$$



$$\begin{cases} D_H = D_{o3} + \Delta D \\ D_L = D_{o3} - \Delta D < 0 \\ \Rightarrow D_L = 0 \end{cases}$$

Consider about:

$$D_{o4} = \frac{V_o}{V_i} = \frac{5}{7} = 0.71$$



$$\begin{cases} D_H = D_{o4} + \Delta D > 1 \\ \Rightarrow D_H = 1 \\ D_L = D_{o4} - \Delta D \end{cases}$$

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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}
- Conversion voltage ratio D_o between 0.33 and 0.67 can let the select signal keep in balance

Future work

- Implementation of automatic PWC control switching converter

Thank you for Listening

Q&A

Q: According to the spectrum of PWC signal, the frequency of F_n and $4F_n$ can generate notch, why does $2F_n$ and $3F_n$ not generate notch?

A: I do not know the reason yet. I am thinking about this question.

Q: In your research, you change frequency from F_{in1} to F_{in2} , in this time, it will create notch?

A: The notch was created at input frequency. If we input F_{in1} , the notch will create at F_{in1} , if the input is F_{in2} , the notch will create at F_{in2} . If the communication of channel 1 is not good, the frequency of channel 2 is switched. At this time, the clock frequency and the coding pulse width are switched so that the notch frequency is automatically switched to the reception frequency. An indication of frequency switching and output ripple was displayed to indicate transient response.