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# Multi-Output SEPIC Multiplied Boost Converter with Exclusive Control

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# 1. Research Background

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## Single Ended Primary Inductor Converter (SEPIC)

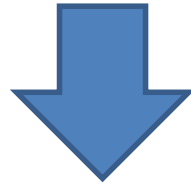
### Advantages:

- Significant reduction of the voltage stress to main switch and rectifier switches
- Moderate PWM duty ratio
- Better efficiency
- Reduced noise

# Research Objective

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Hardware is large  
due to multiple inductors.



Overall hardware size reduction  
by SEPIC multiplied boost configuration

# Approach

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- Three-stage single-output SEPIC multiplied boost configuration
- Dual-output three-stage by exclusive control
- Four-output five-stage by exclusive control

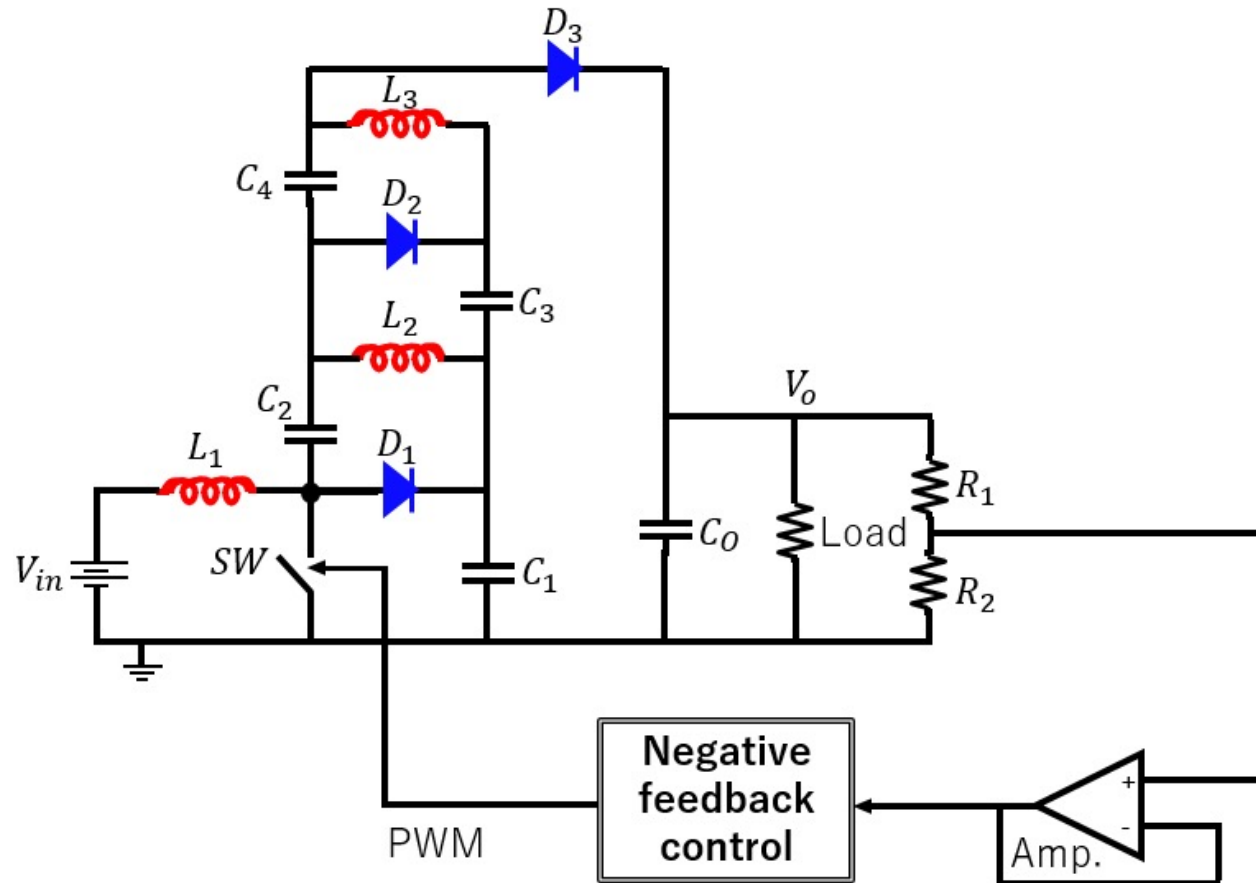
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## 2. Three-Stage SEPIC Configuration

**Three-stage** single-output SEPIC multiplied boost converter uses **3** inductors and **3** diodes



R. Zwiher, "More Boost with Less Stress: The SEPIC Multiplied Boost Converter", AN-1126, ADI Application Note.



# Three-Stage SEPIC Operation

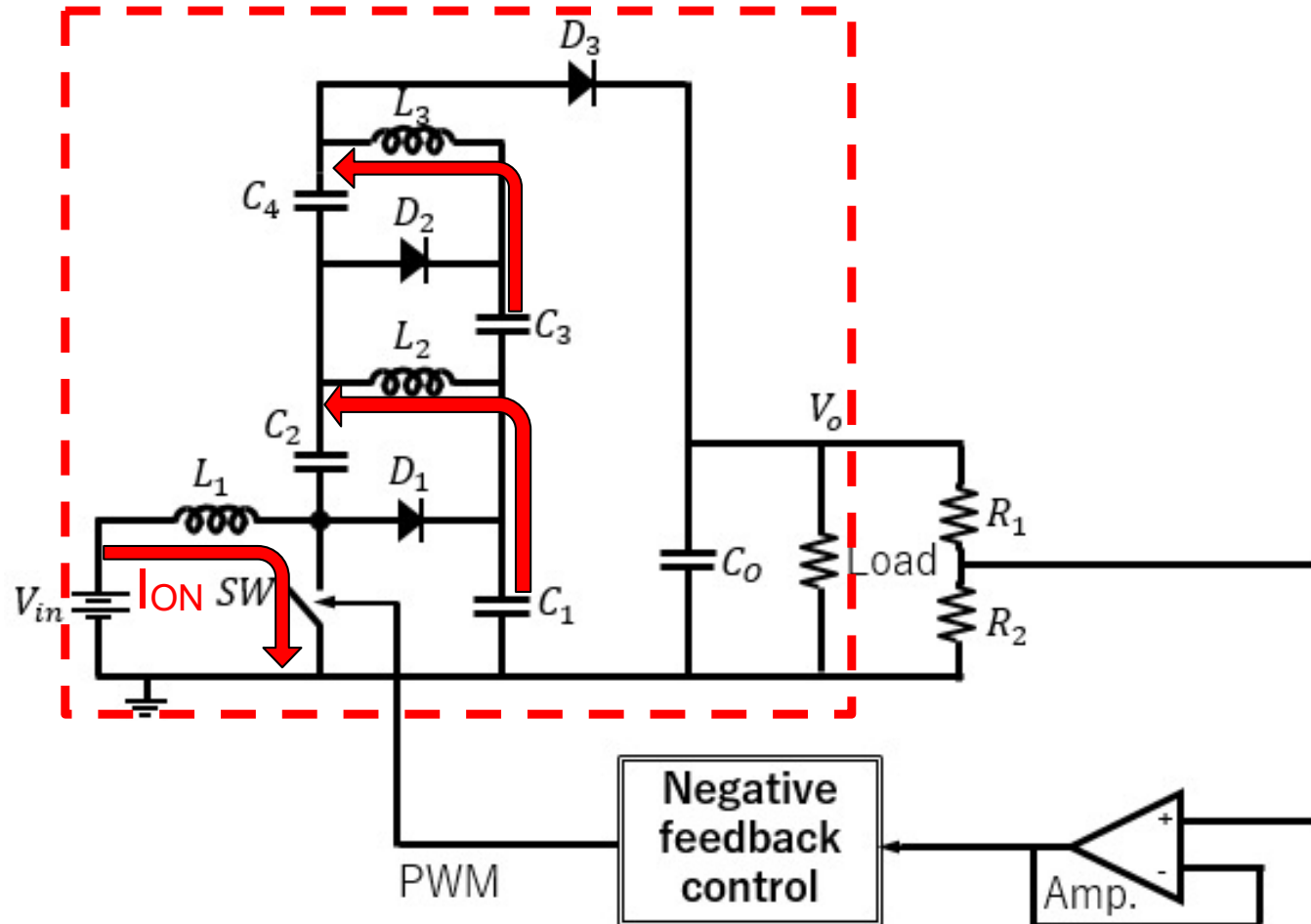
PWM "H":

SW=ON,

L1 is charged,

C2 → L2,

C4 → L3



# Three-Stage SEPIC Operation

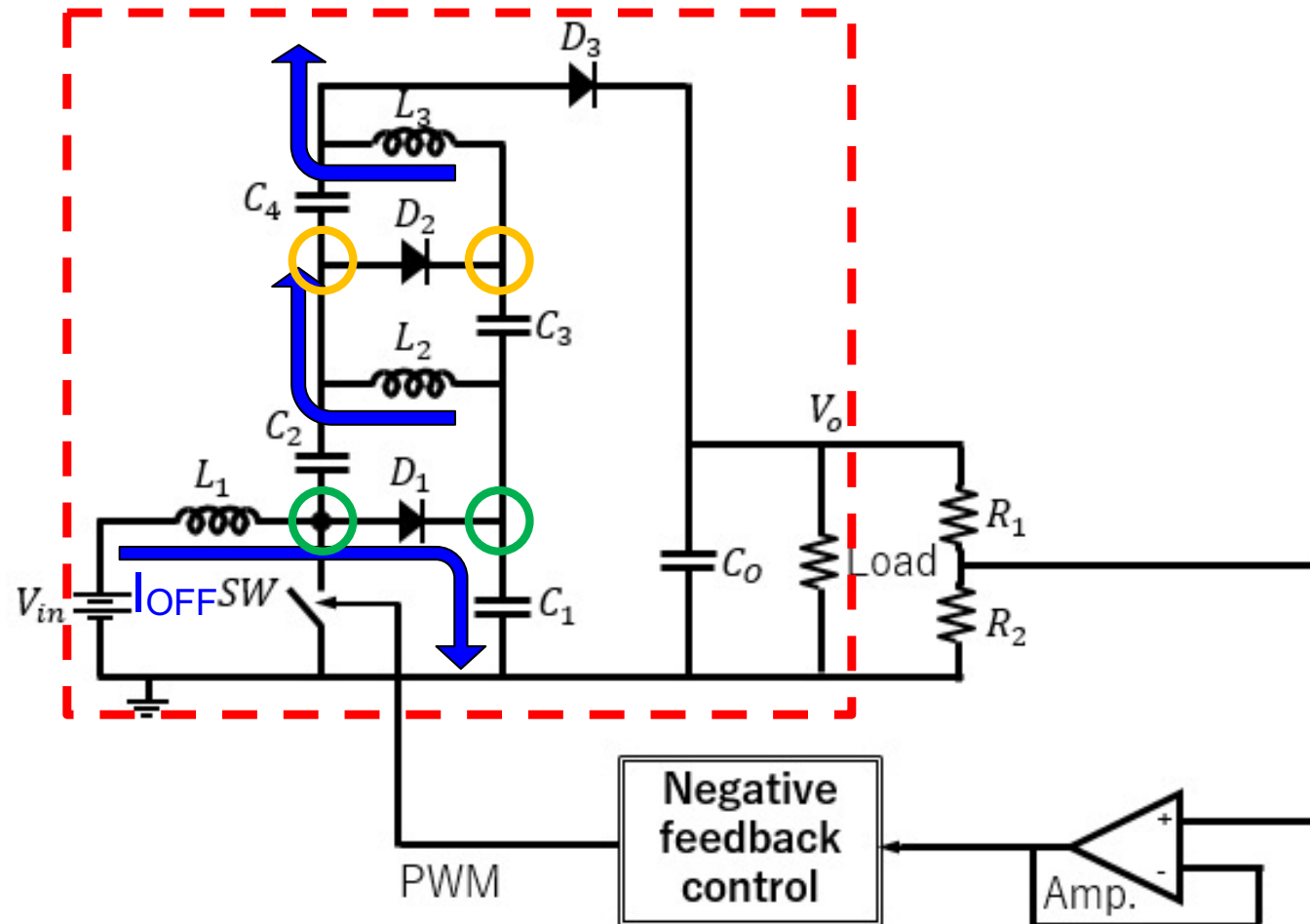
PWM "L":

SW=OFF,

L1 → C1,

L2 → C3,

L3 →  $V_o$



# Duty Ratio for SEPIC

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$M=V_o/V_{in}$ : voltage conversion ratio

$D$ : PWM duty ratio

- conventional buck-boost converter

$$M = \frac{D}{1 - D}$$

For  $M = 12.5$ , then  $D = 0.926$  ← large

- SEPIC multiplied boost converter

$$M = \frac{1 + D}{1 - D}$$

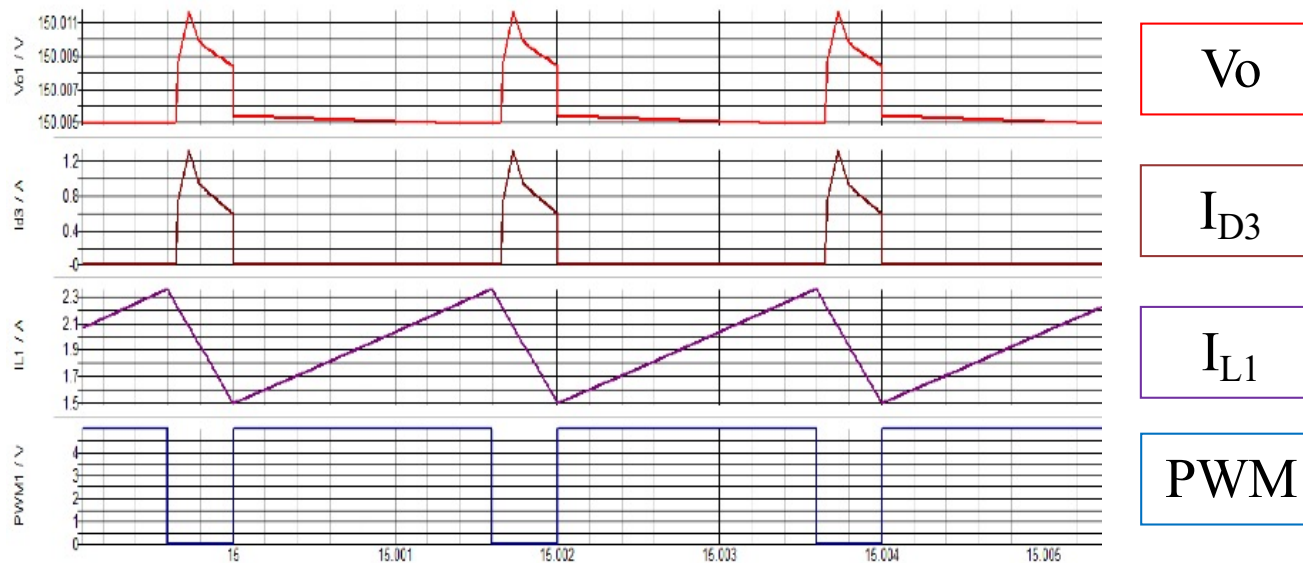
For  $M = 12.5$ , then  $D = 0.852$  ← modest

# Simulated Waveforms

$$V_o = 150V$$

$$\Delta V_o = 11mV_{pp} (< 0.01\% \text{ of } V_o)$$

$$M = V_o/V_{in} = 150V/12V = 12.5$$



High conversion ratio  $M=12.5$

Modest duty ratio  $D=0.85$

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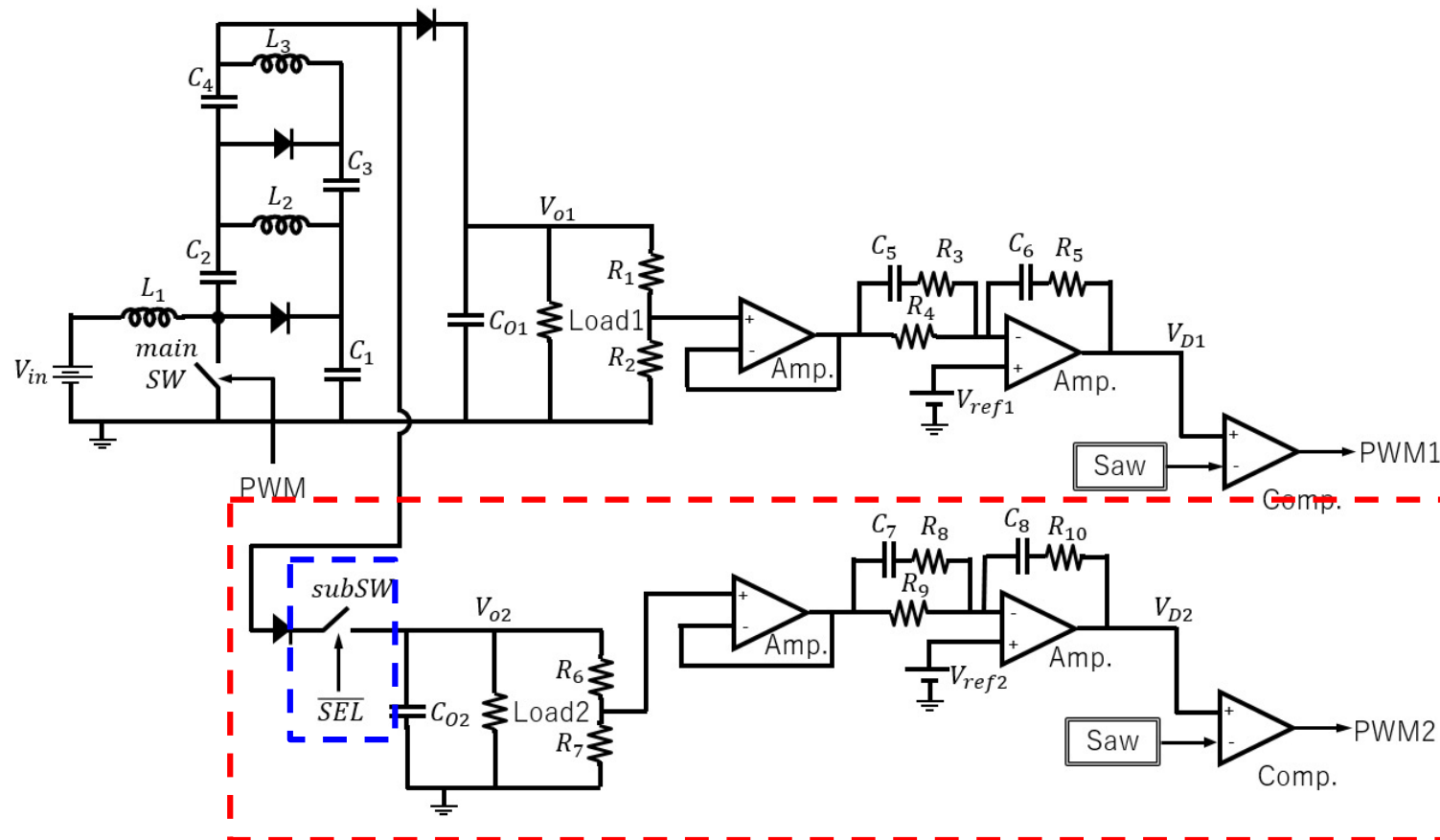
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# 3. Dual-Output SEPIC

Add **sub-converter** and **additional switch**

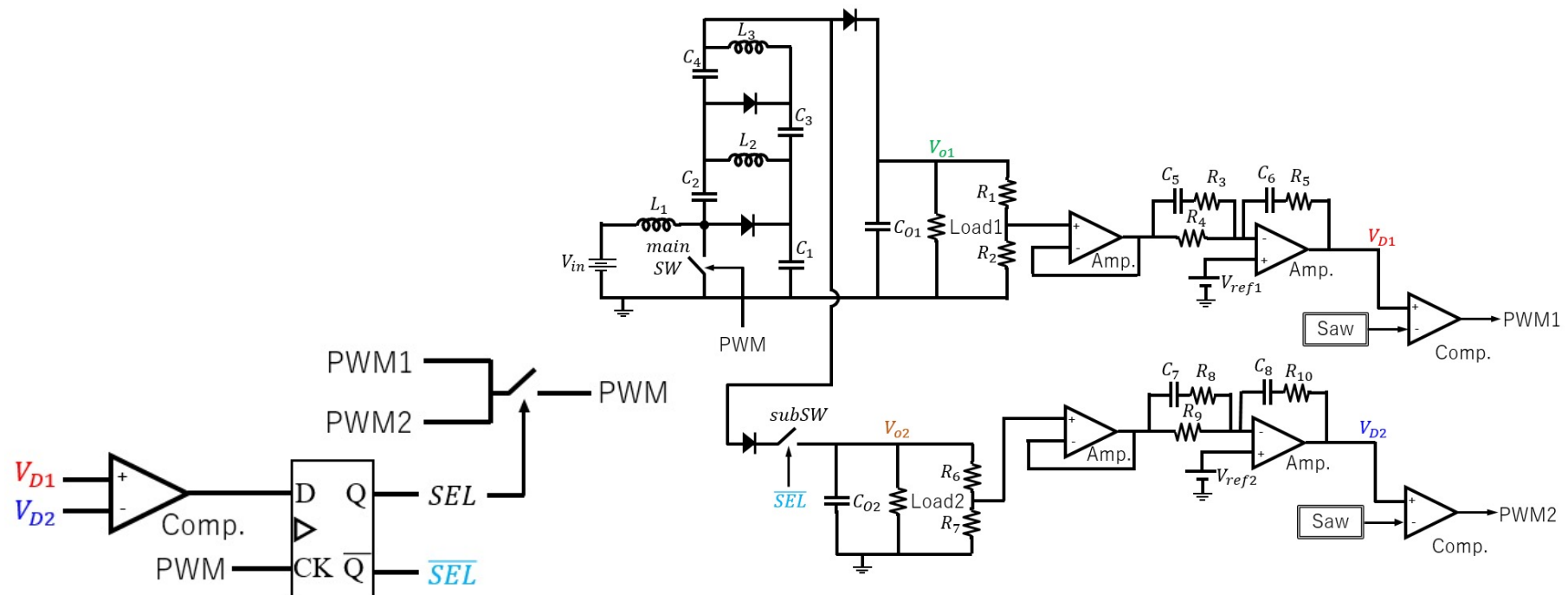
Its ON/OFF is controlled by exclusive control.



# Exclusive Control(1)

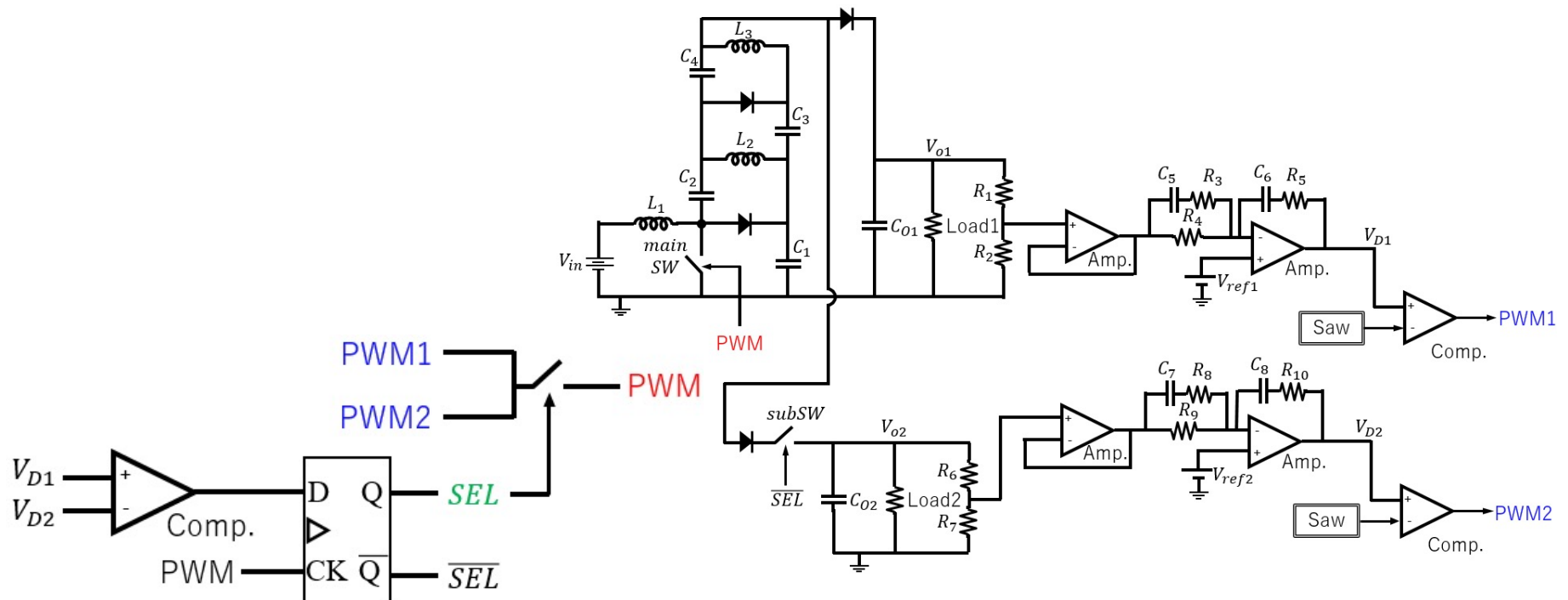
$V_{D1}$  and  $V_{D2}$  (error amplified voltages) are compared.

If  $V_{D1} > V_{D2}$ , main converter ( $V_{o1}$ ) is selected, else sub-converter ( $V_{o2}$ ) is selected.



# Exclusive Control(2)

Select **PWM** based on **SEL** to control main switch.





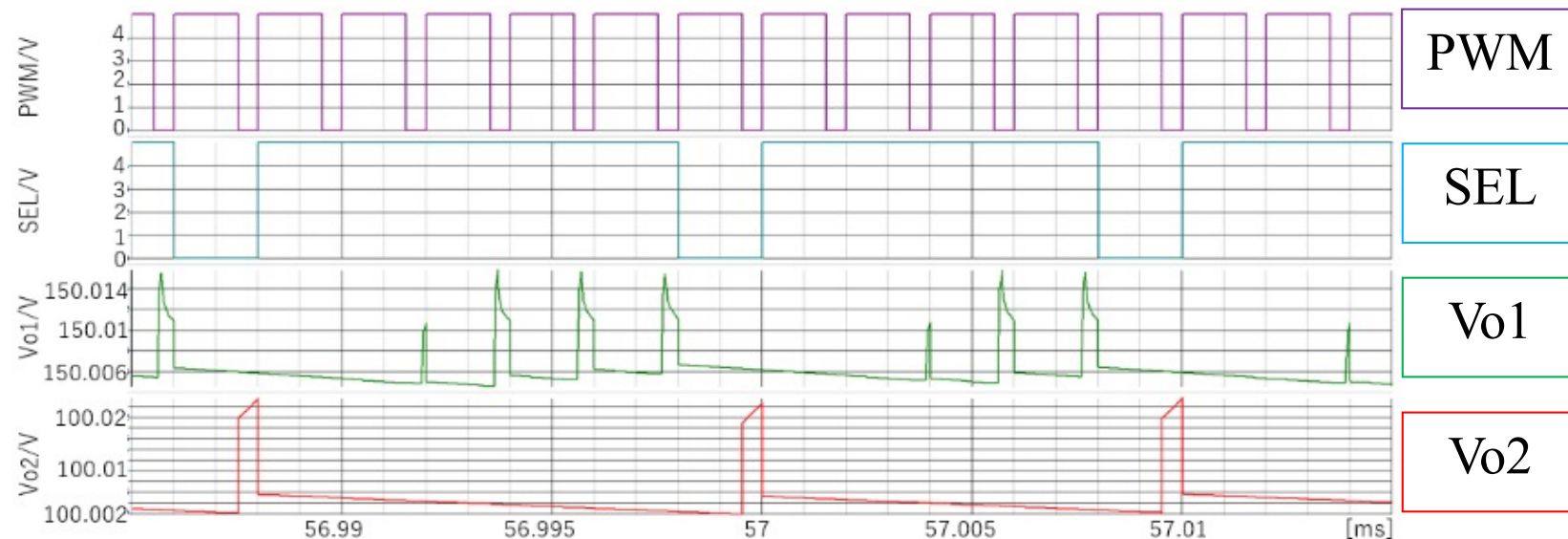
# Simulated Waveforms(Dual-Output)

$V_{o1} = 150V$

$\Delta V_{o1} = 11mV_{pp}$  ( $< 0.01\%$  of  $V_{o1}$ )

$V_{o2} = 100V$

$\Delta V_{o2} = 20mV_{pp}$  ( $= 0.02\%$  of  $V_{o2}$ )



# Overshoot(Dual-Output)

During  $I_{o1}$  increase ( $150\text{mA} \Leftrightarrow 250\text{mA}$ ),

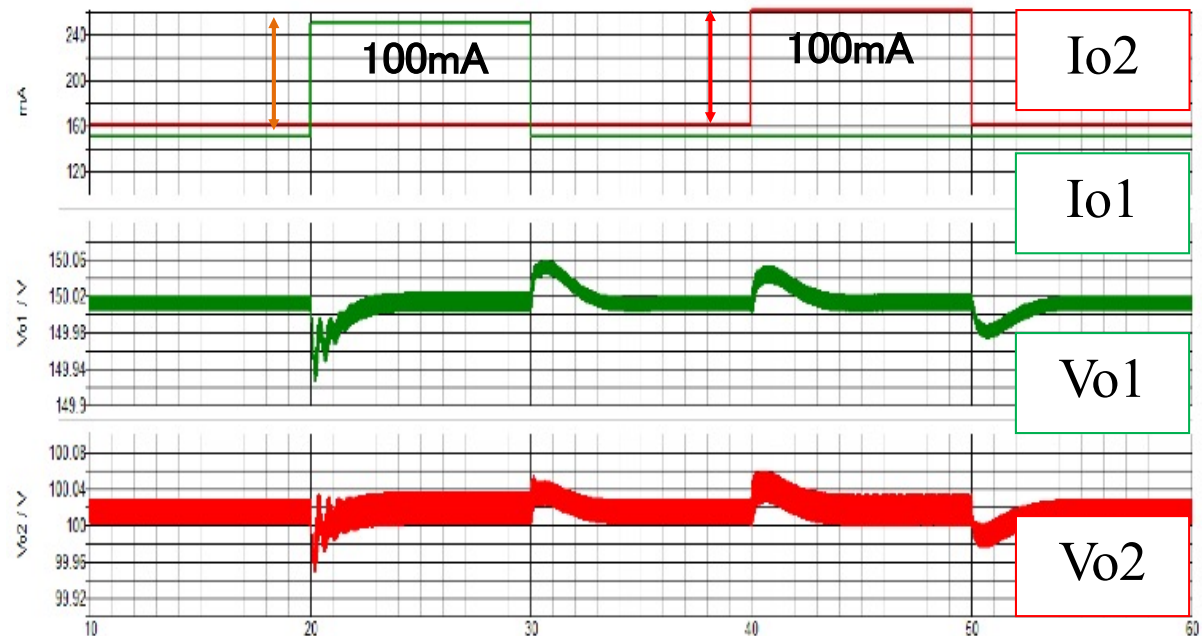
$\Delta V_{o1} = 60\text{mV}$  (= 0.02% of  $V_{o1}$ )

$\Delta V_{o2} = 40\text{mV}$  (= 0.04% of  $V_{o2}$ )

During  $I_{o2}$  increase ( $160\text{mA} \Leftrightarrow 260\text{mA}$ ),

$\Delta V_{o2} = 30\text{mV}$

$\Delta V_{o1} = 30\text{mV}$



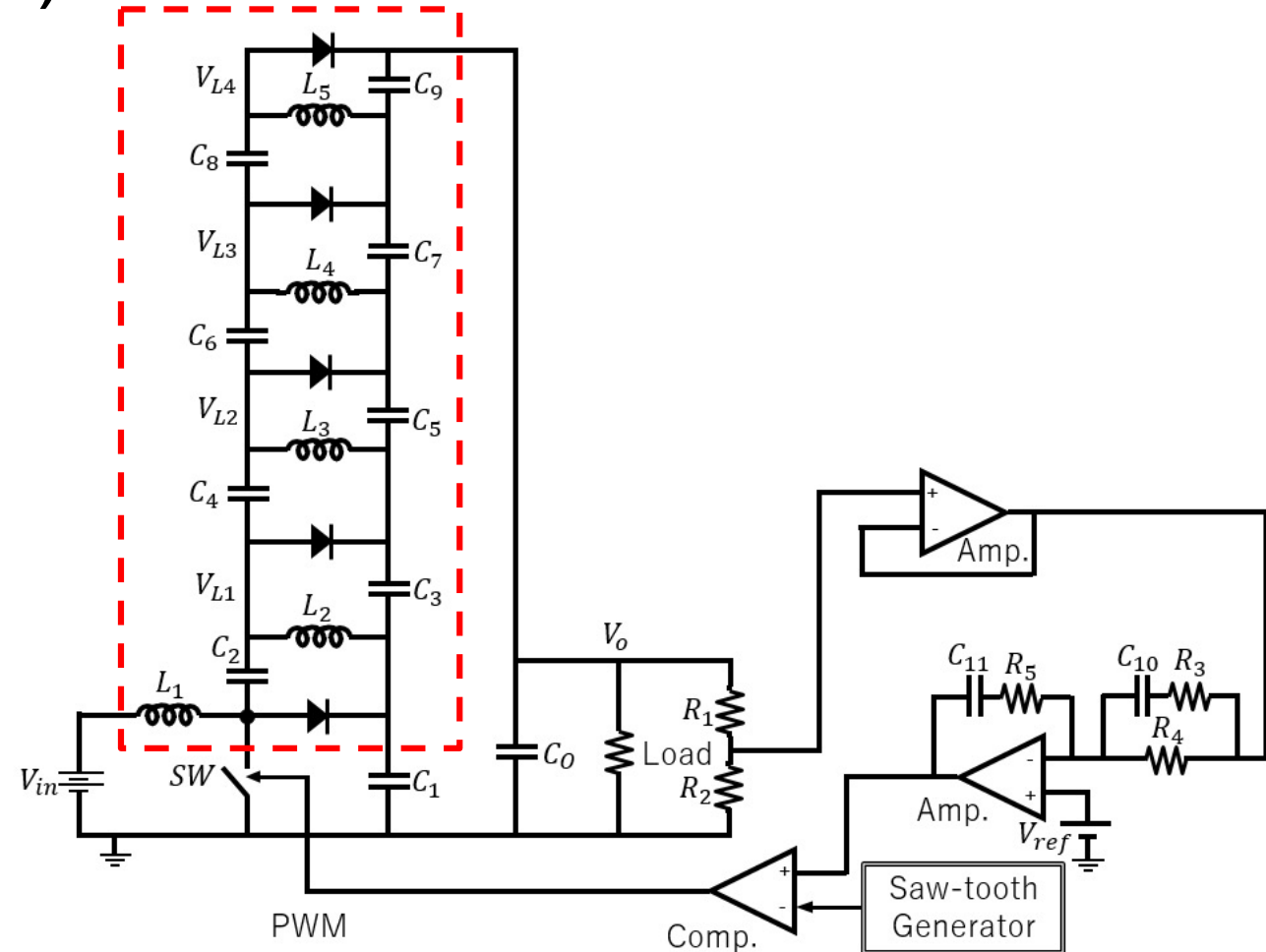
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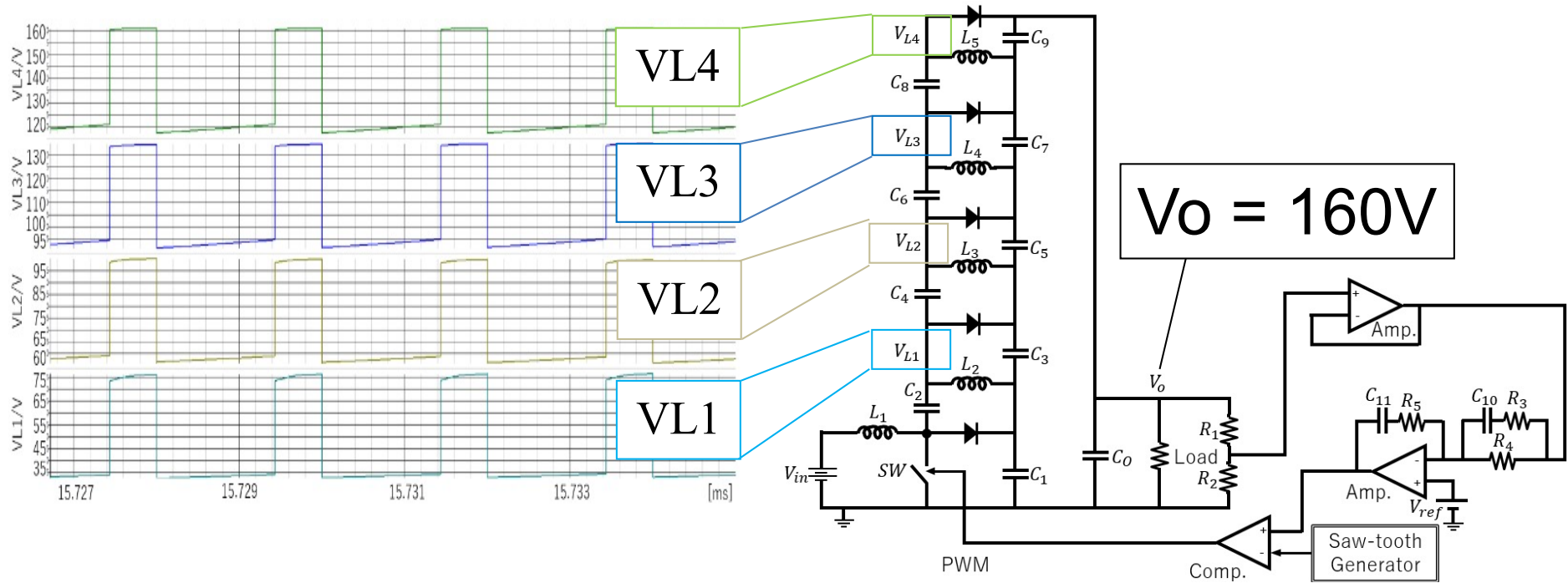
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# 4. Five-Stage SEPIC

**Five-stage** SEPIC multiplied boost converter  
(single-output)



# Node Voltage Ranges

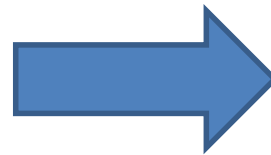


$V_{L4}$ : 117V ~ 160V

$V_{L3}$ : 90V ~ 135V

$V_{L2}$ : 56 V ~ 101V

$V_{L1}$ : 32V ~ 77V



Judged  
four-output  
are possible

$V_{o1}$ : 160V

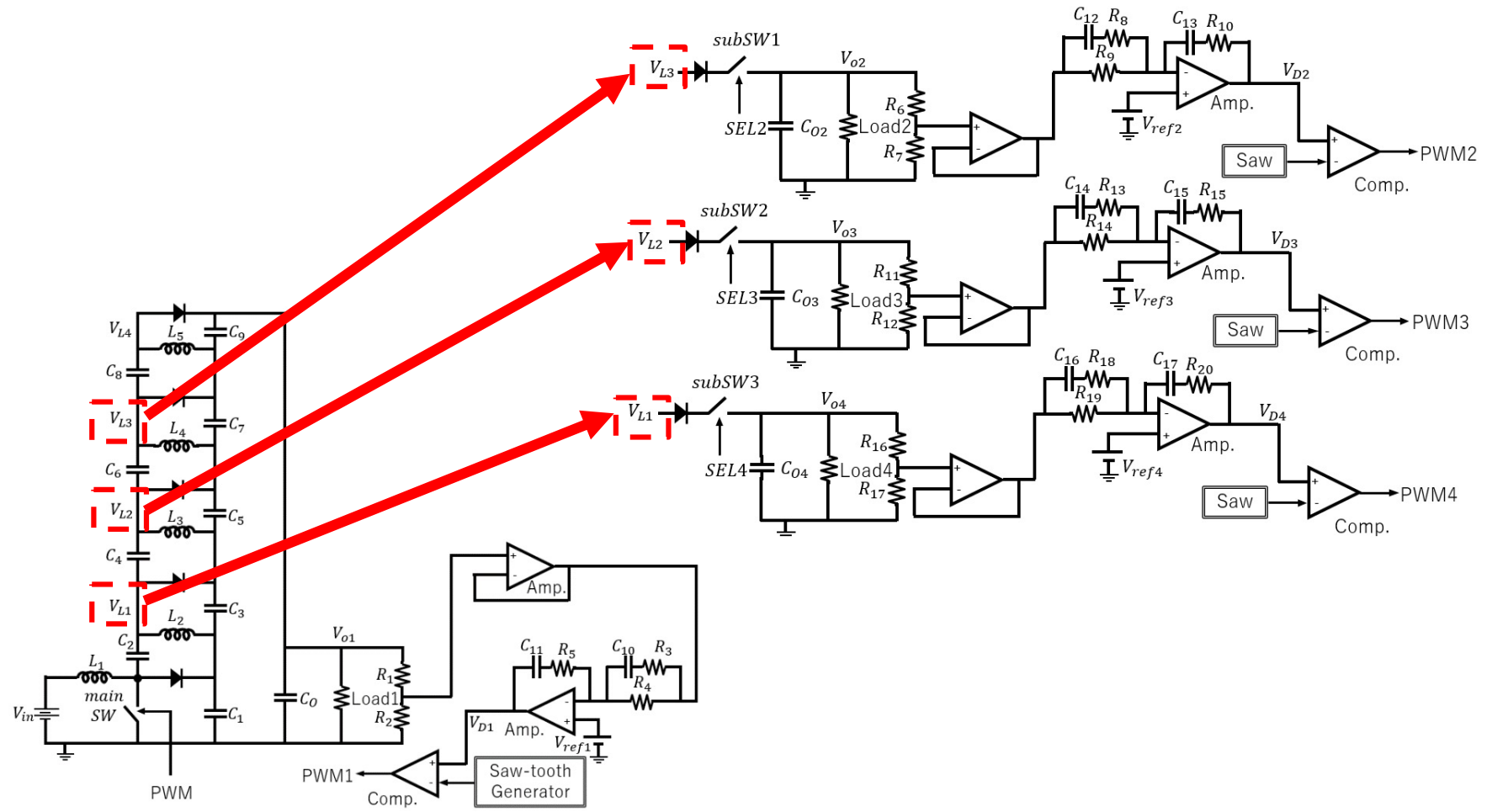
$V_{o2}$ : 120V

$V_{o3}$ : 80V

$V_{o4}$ : 40V

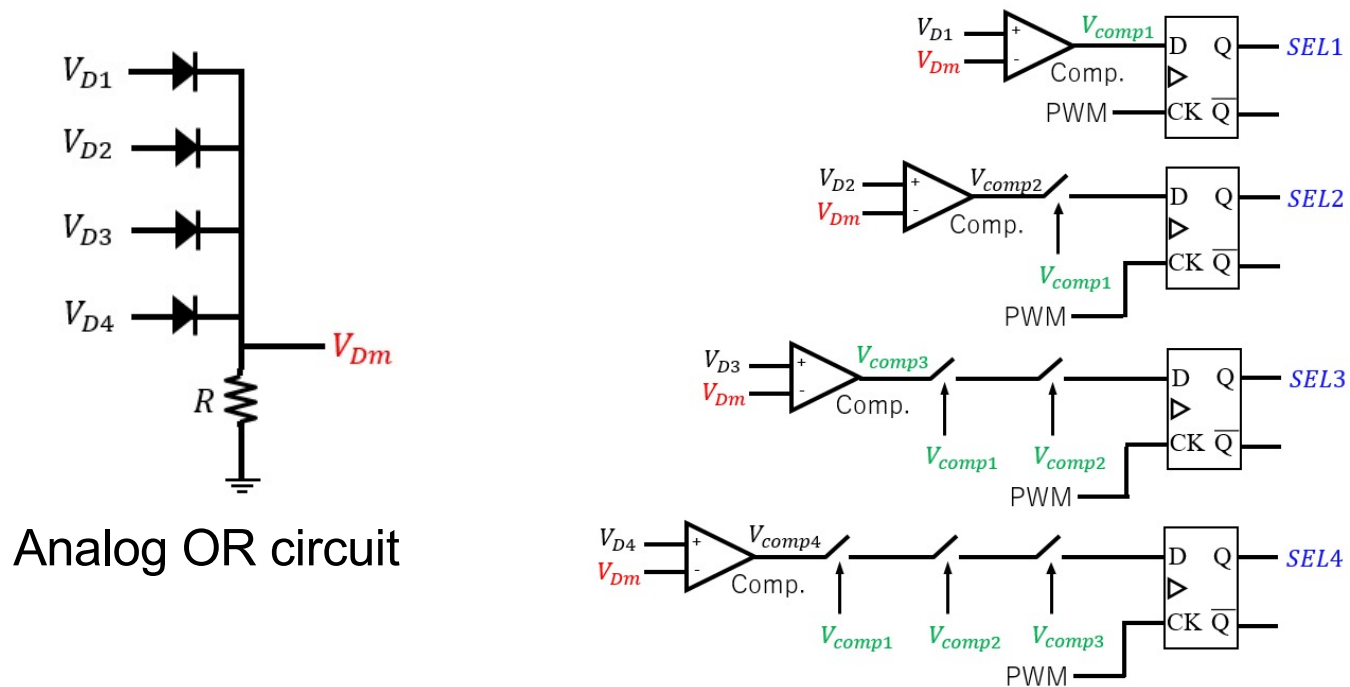
# Four-Output SEPIC

Add sub-converters to main circuit



# Exclusive Control

- Maximum VD detection: Analog OR circuit  $\Rightarrow$   $V_{Dm}$
- Comparison of each VD and maximum  $V_{Dm}$
- Turn off the lower output with the **upper bit** (priority control)
- PWM is selected and generated by each layer **SEL signal**

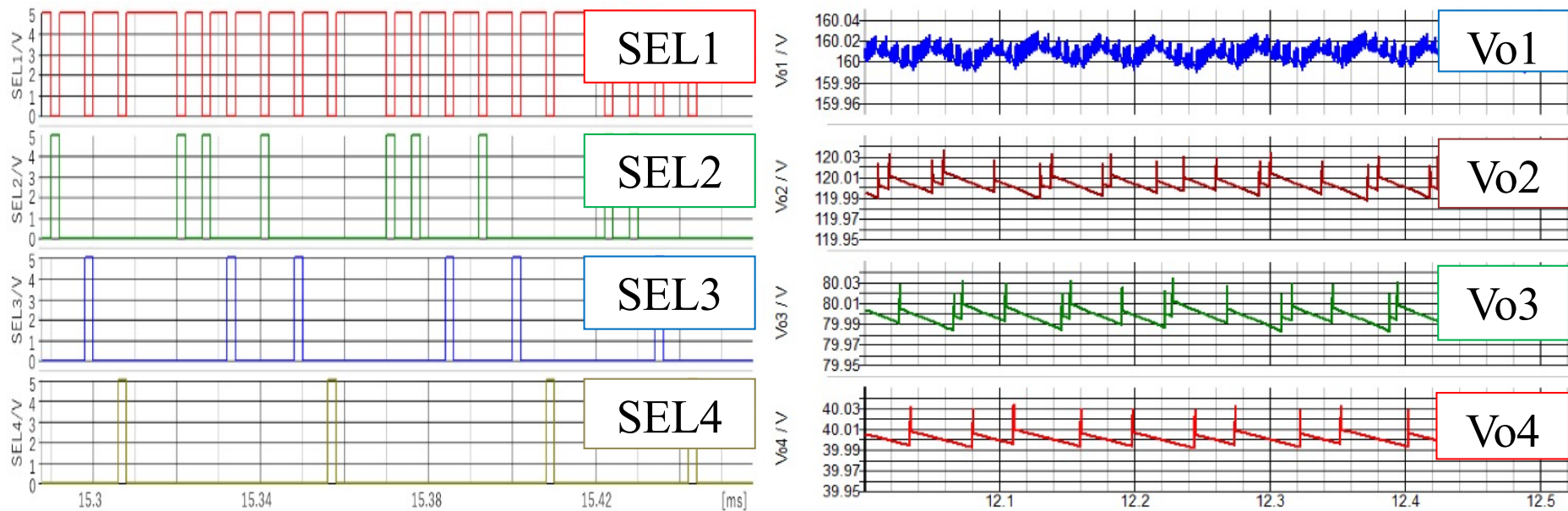


# Simulated Waveforms(Four-Output)

$V_{o1} = 160V$ ,  $V_{o2} = 120V$ ,

$V_{o3} = 80V$ ,  $V_{o4} = 40V$

Their ripples :  $40mV_{pp}$  ( $< 0.1\%$ )



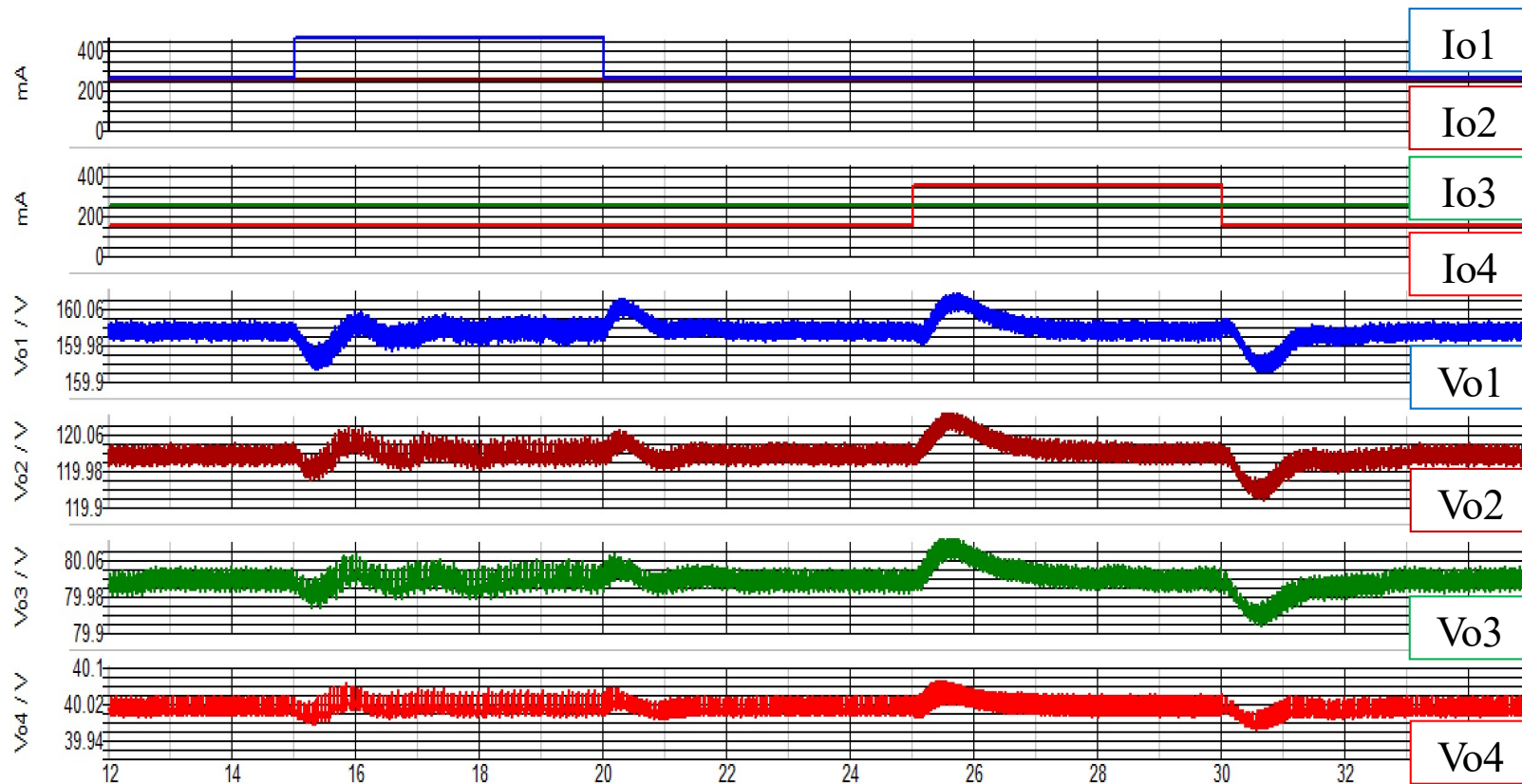


# Overshoot(Four-Output)

$I_{o1}, I_{o4} \rightarrow$  change by 200 mA



Overshoot  $\rightarrow$  less than **100 mV** ( $V_o=160V$ )



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For overall hardware reduction

- Investigation of
  - dual-output three-stage
  - four-output five-stageSEPIC multiplied boost converters with exclusive control.
- Verification with circuit simulation.

Thank you for listening !