## ECE 562

Week 8 Lecture 1

Fall 2008

# Week 8 Lecture 1 Summary

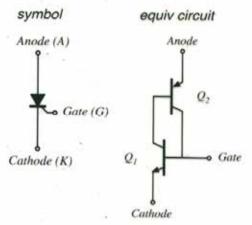
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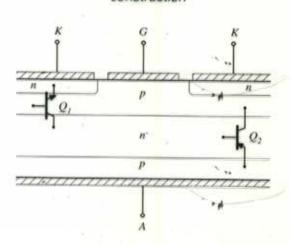
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#### The SCR



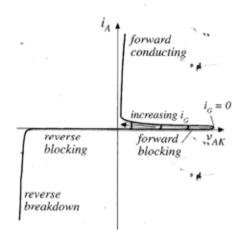
#### construction



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## The Silicon Controlled Rectifier (SCR)

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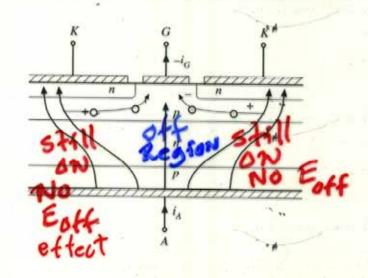
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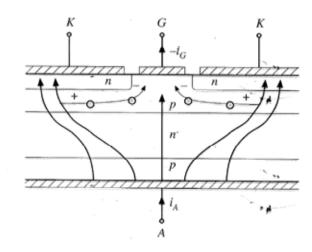
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## New Device Design The Gate Turn-Off Thyristor (GTO)

IN= 4000 A, VOLL = 5000 V

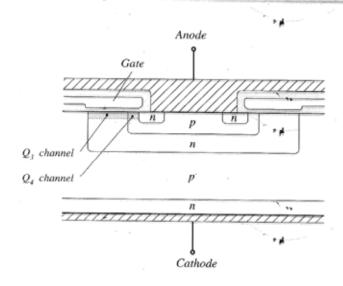
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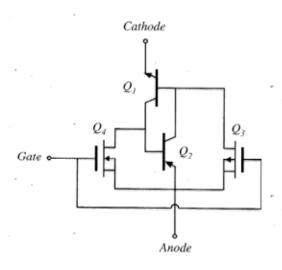
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#### The MOS-Controlled Thyristor (MCT)

- Still an emerging device, but some devices are commercially available
- p-type device
- A latching SCR, with added built-in MOSFETs to assist the turn-on and turn-off processes
- Small feature size, highly interdigitated, modern fabrication



#### The MCT: equivalent circuit



- Negative gate-anode voltage turns p-channel MOSFET Q<sub>3</sub> on, causing Q<sub>1</sub> and Q<sub>2</sub> to latch ON'
- Positive gate-anode voltage turns n-channel MOSFET Q<sub>4</sub> on, reverse-biasing the base-emitter junction of Q<sub>2</sub> and turning off the device
- Maximum current that can be interrupted is limited by the on-resistance of Q<sub>d</sub>

#### Summary: Thyristors

- The thyristor family: double injection yields lowest forward voltage drop in high voltage devices. More difficult to parallel than MOSFETs and IGBTs
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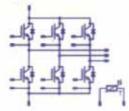
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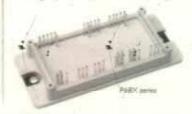
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- Other significant sources of switching loss include diode stored charge and energy stored in certain parasitic capacitances and inductances. Parasitic ringing also indicates the presence of switching loss.

## High Power Sixpacks for Motor Drives

flowPACK 2 3rd gen up to 150A at 1200V



- IGBT4 technology for low saturation losses and improved EMC behavior
- Low inductance layout and compact design
- # High power flow 2 housing



## Summary of chapter 4

- Majority carrier devices, including the MOSFET and Schottky diode, exhibit very fast switching times, controlled essentially by the charging of the device capacitances. However, the forward voltage drops of these devices increases quickly with increasing breakdown voltage.
- 6. Minority carrier devices, including the BJT, IGBT, and thyristor family can exhibit high breakdown voltages with relatively low forward voltage drop. However, the switching times of these devices are longer, and are controlled by the times needed to insert or remove stored minority charge.
- 7. Energy is lost during switching transitions, due to a variety of mechanisms. The resulting average power loss, or switching loss, is equal to this energy loss multiplied by the switching frequency. Switching loss imposes an upper limit on the switching frequencies of practical converters.

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K = RTSW

Chapter 5. The Discontinuous Conduction Mode

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- 5.1. Origin of the discontinuous conduction mode, and mode boundary
- 5.2. Analysis of the conversion ratio M(D,K)
- 5.3. Boost converter example
- 5.4. Summary of results and key points

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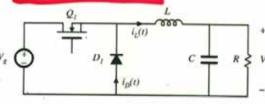
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#### Reduction of load current

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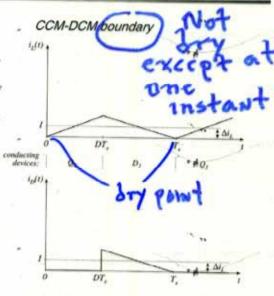




Minimum diode current is  $(I - \Delta i_L)$ Dc component I = V/RCurrent ripple is

$$\Delta i_L = \frac{(V_g - V)}{2L} DT_s = \frac{V_g DD'T_s}{2L}$$

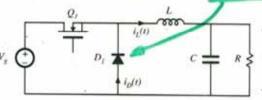
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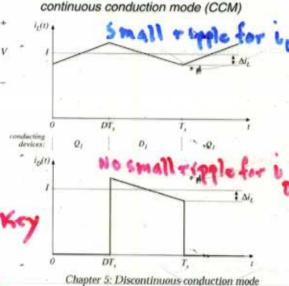
#### Buck converter example, with single-quadrant switches



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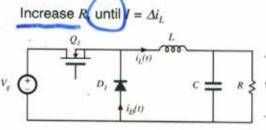


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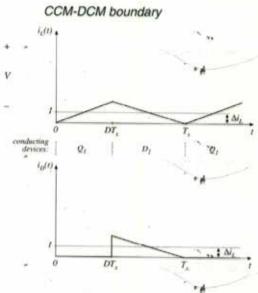
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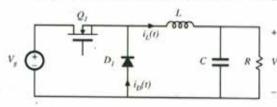
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#### Further reduce load current

Increase R some more, such that  $I < \Delta i_I$ 



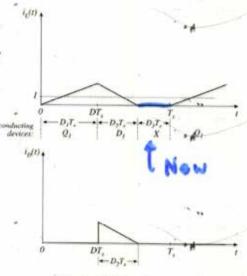
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The load current continues to be positive and non-zero.

#### Discontinuous conduction mode



Chapter 5: Discontinuous conduction mode

### Mode boundary

 $I > \Delta i_L$  for CCM  $I < \Delta i$ , for DCM

Insert buck converter expressions for I and  $\Delta i_i$ :

$$\frac{DV_s}{R} < \frac{DD'T_sV_s}{2L}$$

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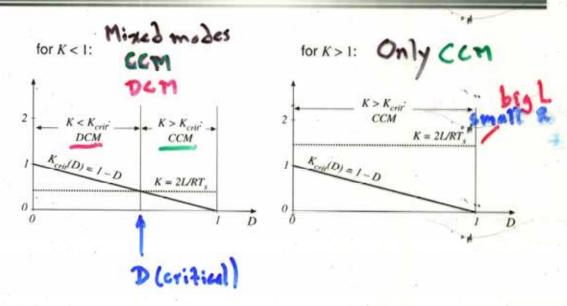
This expression is of the form

$$K < K_{col}(D)$$
 for DCM

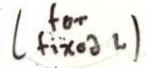
where 
$$K = \frac{2L}{RT}$$
 and  $K_{crit}(D) = D'$ 

R too Big





## Critical load resistance $R_{crit}$ ( fixed 1)



Solve K<sub>crit</sub> equation for load resistance R:

$$R < R_{crit}(D)$$
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where

$$R_{crit}(D) = \frac{2L}{D'T_s}$$

# Summary: mode boundary

 $K > K_{crit}(D)$  or  $R < R_{crit}(D)$   $K < K_{crit}(D)$  or  $R > R_{crit}(D)$ Way of X in twitive Parallel to Load

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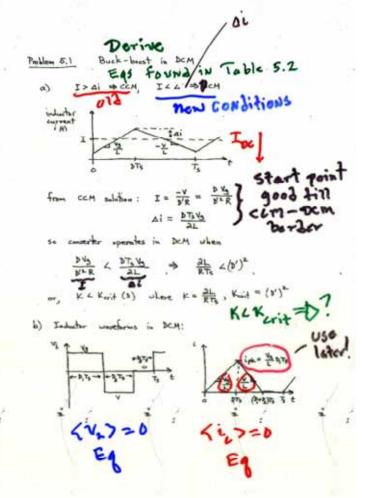
| Convener            | Keni(D)    | max (K <sub>crit</sub> ) | $R_{crit}(D)$            | $\min_{SD \le 1} (R_{crit})$ |
|---------------------|------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|
| Buck                | (l-D)      | 1.                       | $\frac{2L}{(1-D)T_i}$    | 2 4                          |
| Boost               | $D(I-D)^2$ | (27)                     | $\frac{2L}{D(1-D)^2T_s}$ | - 27 L                       |
| Buck-boost          | $(I-D)^2$  | 1                        | $\frac{2L}{(1-D)^2T}$    | $2\frac{L}{T}$               |
| CANCELLO CONTRACTOR |            |                          | $(1-D)^{2}T$             | 1.                           |

Depends on

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for CCM

for DCM



#### inductor volt-second belance

 $\langle v_k \rangle = 0 = D_1 V_3 + D_2 V + D_3 \cdot 0 = D_1 V_3 + D_4 V$  $\Rightarrow V = -\frac{D_1}{D_2} V_3 \qquad \text{problem - duit know } D_4$ 

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V fixed by feed back

capacitor charge belonce

nate equation:  $i_0 + i_0 + \frac{V}{R} = 0$ 

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continue soul

$$\angle i_{3}\rangle = \frac{1}{T_{5}} \int_{a}^{T_{5}} i_{3}(e) dt$$
$$= \frac{1}{T_{5}} \left(\frac{1}{2} i_{34} D_{x} T_{5}\right)$$

Plots for K= 1 (D)

(4) For b = 0.3,  $K_{crit} = (1-0.3)^{2} = 0.49 + K < K_{crit} + k < K_{crit}$ 

a) At no bad R-no so K-RN -c. Dear 3 - R - 200
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In practice, what sitting may become very large view land is discussed to be and exceeding above exhaust, and Organist estimate and typically age to make 5 to serie.

5.1 (c) DCM ----- CCM LINEAR 125  $K_{\rm crit}$ 9.79 ect 0.25 K 6.25 9.3 9.75 DCM Solution

Problem 5.1 Buck-boost

a) I > Ai => CCM, I & Ai => DCM

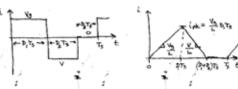
industry current (19)

from CCM solution: 
$$I = \frac{-V}{VR} = \frac{D V_3}{V R R}$$
  

$$\Delta i = \frac{D T_3 V_3}{2 i}$$

so consenter operates in DCM when

b) Inductor waveforms in DCM:



#### inductor volt-second balance

$$\langle A_{1} \rangle = 0 = \frac{1}{2} A^{2} + D^{2} A + D^{2} A + D^{2} A = 0$$

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$$\langle A_{3} \rangle = 0$$

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charge balance:

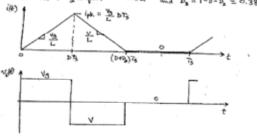
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$$\frac{-V}{R} = \frac{V_3 P_1 P_2 T_3}{2L} = \frac{P_1}{P_2} \frac{V_3}{R}$$

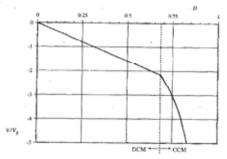
$$\Rightarrow D_2^2 = \frac{2L}{RT_3} = K \Rightarrow D_2 = \sqrt{K}$$
 (the positive not since  $D_2$  cannot be injective)

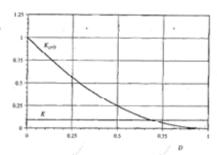
and hence V=-1/3 VK

- c) see next page
- d) For 0 = 0.3,  $K_{cont} = (1-0.3)^3 = 0.49 \Rightarrow K < K_{cont} \Rightarrow 0.00$  $K = 0.1 \Rightarrow 0_3 = \sqrt{0.1} = 0.32$  and  $0_3 = 1-0.0_3 = 0.38$



e) At no load R-one so  $K = \frac{2}{KT} \rightarrow 0$ . DAY  $\frac{V}{V} = \frac{D}{K} \rightarrow \infty$ . In itself case,  $V \rightarrow -\infty$ . Industry keeps transferring energy to output capacitar, but there is no load to consume energy. In practice, entput willings may become view large when land is chicamodely to according tunion entropy, and the constitution of the





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Properties of converters change radically when DCM is entered:

M becomes load-dependent

Output impedance is increased

Dynamics are altered - GOOD for stability - Ch7/8/9

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Chapter 5: Discontinuous conduction mod Pspico simulations

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### 5.2. Analysis of the conversion ratio M(D,K)

Analysis techniques for the discontinuous conduction mode: \*



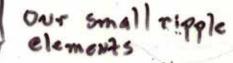
Inductor volt-second balance

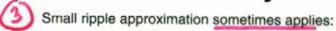
$$\langle v_L \rangle = \frac{1}{T_s} \int_0^{T_s} v_L(t) dt = 0$$



Capacitor charge balance

$$\langle i_C \rangle = \frac{1}{T_s} \int_0^{T_s} i_C(t) dt = 0$$





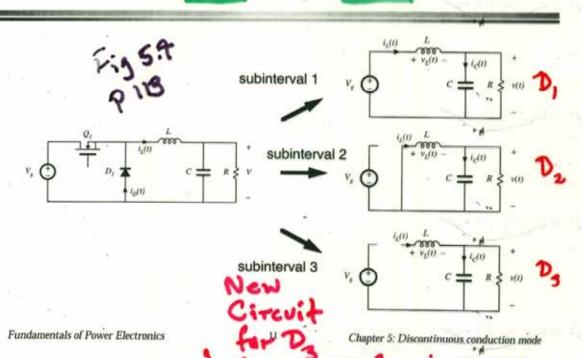
$$v(t) \approx V$$
 because  $\Delta v \ll V$ 

$$i(t) \approx I$$
 is a poor approximation when  $\Delta i > I$ 

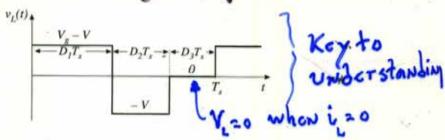
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Converter steady-state equations obtained via charge balance on each capacitor and volt-second balance on each inductor. Use care in applying small ripple approximation.

# Three Unknowns: $D_1, D_2, D_3$ Example: Analysis of DCM buck converter M(D,K)



#### Inductor volt-second balance



Volt-second balance:

$$\langle v_L(t) \rangle = D_1(V_g - V) + D_2(-V) + D_3(0) = 0$$

Solve for V:

$$V = V_g \frac{D_1}{D_1 + D_2}$$

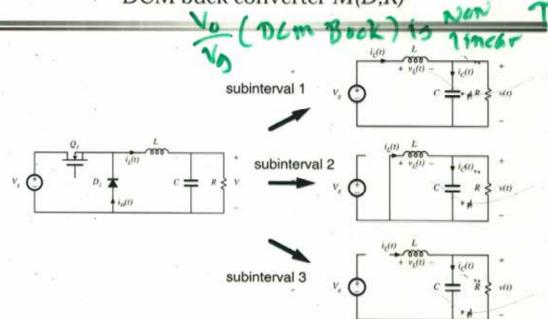
 $\langle v_L(t) \rangle = D_1(V_g - V) + D_2(-V) + D_3(0) = 0$ or V:

D<sub>1</sub> Set by designer

note that D2 is unknown

# No (con Buck) is linear D

Example: Analysis of DCM buck converter M(D,K)



#### Capacitor charge balance

node equation:

$$i_t(t) = i_c(t) + V / R$$

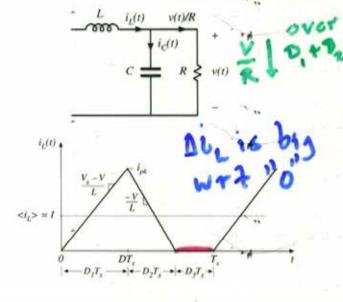
capacitor charge balance:

$$\langle i_c \rangle = 0$$

hence

$$\langle i_L \rangle = V / R$$

must compute dc component of inductor current and equate to load current (for this buck converter example)



#### Inductor current waveform

peak current:

$$i_L(D_1T_s)=i_{pk}=\frac{V_g-V}{L}\,D_1T_s$$

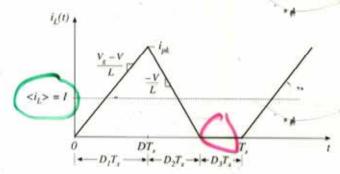
average current:

$$\langle i_L \rangle = \frac{1}{T_s} \int_0^{\tau_s} i_L(t) dt$$

triangle area formula:

$$\int_0^{\tilde{\tau}_s} i_L(t) \ dt = \frac{1}{2} i_{ps} (D_1 + D_2) T_s$$

$$\langle i_L \rangle = (V_g - V) \frac{D_1 T_s}{2L} (D_1 + D_2)$$



equate dc component to dc load current:

$$\frac{V}{R} = \frac{D_1 T_s}{2L} (D_1 + D_2) (V_g - V)$$



#### Solution for V

#### Two equations and two unknowns (V and $D_2$ ):

$$V = V_s \frac{D_1}{D_1 + D_2}$$

(from inductor volt-second balance)

$$\frac{V}{R} = \frac{D_1 T_s}{2L} (D_1 + D_2) (V_g - V)$$

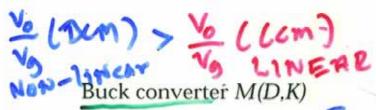
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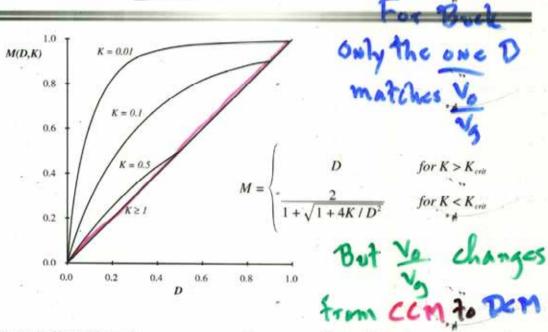
#### Eliminate $D_2$ , solve for V:

$$\frac{V}{V_{g}} = \frac{2}{1 + \sqrt{1 + 4K/D_{1}^{2}}}$$
where  $K = 2L/RT$ .

valid for  $K < K_{con}$ 

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Table 5.2. Summary of CCM-DCM characteristics for the buck, boost, and buck-boost conveners

| Converter    | $K_{ext}(D)$ | DCM M(D,K)                        | DCM D2(D,K)         | CCM M(D)         |
|--------------|--------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|------------------|
| Buck         | (I-D)        | $\frac{2}{1 + \sqrt{1 + 4K/D^2}}$ | $\frac{K}{D}M(D,K)$ | D.,              |
| Boost        | $D(I-D)^2$   | $\frac{1 + \sqrt{1 + 4D^2/K}}{2}$ | $\frac{K}{D}M(D,K)$ | $\frac{1}{1-D}$  |
| Buck-boost . | $(I-D)^2$    | $-\frac{D}{\sqrt{K}}$             | √K                  | $-\frac{b}{1-D}$ |

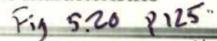
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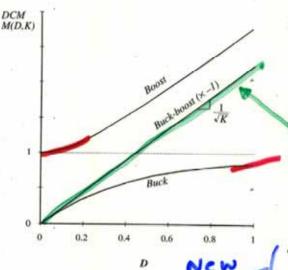
 $K = 2L/RT_r$ 

DCM occurs for  $K < K_{crit}$ .

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- DCM buck and boost characteristics are asymptotic to M = 1 and to the DCM buck-boost" characteristic
- DCM buck-boost characteristic is linear
- CCM and DCM characteristics intersect at mode boundary. Actual M follows characteristic having larger magnitude
- DCM boost characteristic is nearly linear

Chapter 5: Discontinuous conduction mode

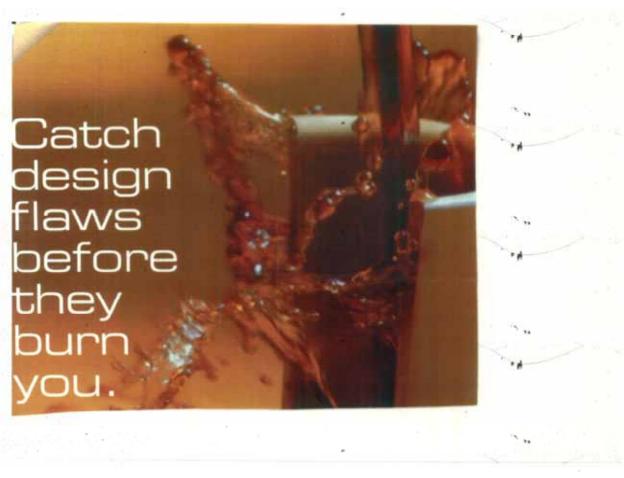


## Summary of key points

- The discontinuous conduction mode occurs in converters containing current- or voltage-unidirectional switches, when the inductor current or capacitor voltage ripple is large enough to cause the switch current or voltage to reverse polarity.
- Conditions for operation in the discontinuous conduction mode can be found by determining when the inductor current or capacitor voltage ripples and dc components cause the switch on-state current or off-state voltage to reverse polarity.
- The dc conversion ratio M of converters operating in the discontinuous conduction mode can be found by application of the principles of inductor volt-second and capacitor charge balance.

# Summary of key points

- 4. Extra care is required when applying the small-ripple approximation. Some waveforms, such as the output voltage, should have small ripple which can be neglected. Other waveforms, such as one or more inductor currents, may have large ripple that cannot be ignored.
- The characteristics of a converter changes significantly when
  the converter enters DCM. The output voltage becomes loaddependent, resulting in an increase in the converter output
  impedance.





"I guess we didn't really think about the prospect of her burning up on re-entry."

