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# A Z Source Half Bridge Converter for Electrochemical Power Supply

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**Abstract**—One LC network is used for obtaining a power supply, which used as electrochemical power supply. Z source is connected in between the source and the load. It can generate various output voltage such as varied positive voltage or the negative voltage and varied time ratio between positive voltage and negative voltage. By using this type of power supply plating should be uniform and reduces the plating time. This converter is derived from the conventional half bridge converter. For getting this type of power supply duty of one switch is fixed as greater than 0.5. It can avoid the shoot through problem. Proposed converter is reduces the size, complexity and cost. It is more efficient than the other converters. Finally, the novel converter is simulated by using MATLAB/Simulink.

Keywords-LC network, shoot through, electro chemical supply, half bridge converter

#### INTRODUCTION

Conventional converters are voltage source and current source converters. In voltage source converters act as buck converter for dc-ac power conversion and act as boost converter for ac-dc power conversion. So additional boost converter is needed for desired output voltage. Thus system cost is increases and efficiency is reduces. Because of the presence of shoot through problem there is a chance for destroying the devices. In current source converter is act as boost inverter for dc-ac power conversion and act as buck converter for ac-dc power conversion. So additional boost converter is a chance for destroying the devices. In current source converter is required for required output voltage. This will increases the system cost and reduces the efficiency. Shoot through problem will destroy the devices. The voltage source converter cannot be used as the current source and vice versa. Both the converters are vulnerable to EMI noise in terms of reliability[1],[5].In order to overcome these problems, introducing new topology is called as z source topology. It has unique impedance circuit to couple the converter main circuit to power source and the load. It has X shaped structure consist of two inductors and two capacitors. The shoot through zero state provides buck boost features to the inverter[6],[7].

Half bridge converter is consist of two switches which are connected in series.so there is a chance for shoot through problem which leads to breakdown of the switch. Large ripples making the system unstable. The novel converter is consist of Z source converter is placed in between the supply and the load. The novel converter solve the limited voltage problem and the unbalanced midpoint voltage problem. Conventional electro chemical supply is the dc supply[8]. The main disadvantage of using dc supply is first the electrode should be clean at the starting of plating, for that we have to reverse the supply. In order to get the smooth electroplating product current direction and the density should be varied according to the electroplating technology. Traditionally several cascaded circuit and the complex circuit is used for getting the multi output voltages[2],[8],[9],[10],[11].This increases the cost ,size and instability of the system.

## **PROPOSED CONVERTER**

Proposed converter consisting of half bridge converter is placed in between the source and the load as shown in Fig.1. The source is either AC or DC. If AC supply is using, converted this into DC by an uncontrolled rectifier. The working principle of both is same. The diode D is used for preventing the current from back to the source[12]. The inductor is used in order to avoid strong current when the switches are in the shoot through mode.

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Some assumptions are considered for the working of the proposed converter.  $L_1 = L_2$ ,  $C_1 = C_2 = C_{m1} = C_{m2}$ , All the components are ideal.

Here duties of switches are D<sub>1</sub> and D<sub>2</sub> by switches S<sub>1</sub> and S<sub>2</sub> respectively. D<sub>1</sub>=0.7and D<sub>2</sub>=0.5

There are 3 modes of operations[3].

Mode 1:It is a shoot through state as shown in Fig.2. The capacitor  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  discharges the energy to the inductor. The diode D became reverse biased. According to the loop  $C_2$ -Load- $C_{m2}$  the output voltage of the converter is taken as

$$V_0 = V_{c2} - V_{cm2}$$
 (1)



**Figure 2.** mode  $1:S_1$  and  $S_2$  is ON

Mode 2:In loop 1,L<sub>1</sub> discharges the energy to  $C_2$ .

 $V_{L1} = V_{dc} - V_{c2}$  (2)

In loop 2  $L_2$  discharges the energy to  $C_1$  as shown in Fig.3.

 $V_0 = V_{c2} - V_{cm2}$  (3)

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**Figure 3.** mode 2:  $S_1$  ON and  $S_2$  OFF

Mode 3:voltage across the  $C_2$  is increases because  $L_1$  discharges the energy to the  $C_2$ . voltage across the  $C_1$  is increases because  $L_2$  discharges the energy to the  $C_1$ . From the loop  $V_{in}$ -D- $C_1$ -Load- $C_{cm2}$ , the output voltage is



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Figure 5. Waveforms of z source half bridge converter

#### PARAMETER DESIGN

In this section designing the inductance and the capacitance.

In the design section input is taken as the dc  $(V_{dc})$  supply.

#### A. Design of the capacitor

Determine the voltage second characteristics of L<sub>1</sub>,

$$\begin{split} V_{c1} = V_{c2} = & (2 - D_1 - D_2) V_d / (3 - (D = 1 + D_2)) \eqno(6) \\ V_{cd2} = & (2 V_{c2} - V_d) D_1 - V_{c2} + V_d. \end{split} \eqno(6)$$

Positive output voltage of the converter is obtained from the equation (3).

(9)

$$V_{p} = \{(1 - D_{1})V_{d}\} / \{3 - 2(D_{1} + D_{2})\}$$
(8)

Negative output voltage of the converter is

$$V_n = \{D_1V_d\} / \{3-2(D_1+D_2)\}$$

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From (6),(8) and (9)

When  $S_1$  is on  $V_{c2} = \{2 - D_1 - D_2\} V_0 / \{1 - D_1\}$ (10)

When  $S_2$  is on and  $S_1$  is off  $V_{c2} = \{2 - D_1 - D_2\}V_0/\{-D_1\}$  (11)

The current through the  $I_{c2}$  and  $I_{L2} \mbox{ is } I_0\!/2$ 

Differential equation of the capacitor is

 $C_2 = I_{c2} dt/dvc_2$ (12)

 $dt = \{D_1 + D_2 - 1\}T$ (13)

 $dvC2 = x_c \% V_{c2M}$ (14)

 $X_c$ % is the permitted fluctuation range. $V_{c2M}$  is the maximum rated voltage of  $C_2$ .

Substituting equation (13) and (14) into (12)

 $C_2 = \{Io(D_1 + D_2 - 1)T\} / \{2X_c \% V_{c2M}\}$ 

C.	Differential equation of the inductance is	
V <sub>L2</sub> =	$V_{L2}dt_L/di_{L2}$	(15)
di <sub>L2</sub> =	$X_L \% I_{L2}$	(16)

 $V_{L2M} = V_{c2M}$ 

Substituting (13),(16) and (17) into (15) leads to  $L_2 = \{_{2Vc2M}(D_1 + D_2 - 1)T\} / \{X_L \% I_0\}$ 

# SIMULATION RESULT

Simulation parameters for the proposed converter and its values are given in the table 1.

(17)

Table 1. Simulation parameters and values

Parameters	Values	
V <sub>in</sub>	0.24	
D <sub>1</sub> ,D <sub>2</sub>	0.7T,0.5T	
4.4		



## CONCLUSION

The z source half bridge converter can be used for electrochemical supply when the duty of the switch  $S_1$  is greater than 0.5T.Either dc or ac supply can be used as the input supply. By using this supply, get smooth electroplating product and plating time can be reduced. Novel converter is remove the all the drawbacks of conventional electrochemical supply. Efficiency and stability of the system is greater as compared to conventional one. The proposed converter is reduces the cost as the traditional one. Novel converter can solve the limited voltage problem.

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