

A MULTI PORT DC TO DC CONVERTER FOR PV/BATTERY/DC GRID ENERGY SYSTEM

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Abstract:

In accordance with the growing need for power conversion systems that are efficient and multifunctional, this project introduces a multi-port DC-DC converter that integrates photovoltaic (PV) panels, batteries, and DC grids. The system designed in this approach includes a Single-Ended Primary Inductor Converter (SEPIC), a bi-directional converter, and an inverter circuit, providing continuous energy management. The SEPIC converter steps up or steps down the input voltage efficiently to ensure a stable power supply. The bi-directional converter allows for power exchange between the battery and the grid to support controlled discharging and charging operations. The inverter module also converts DC power to AC, which makes the system applicable to traditional AC loads. The multi-port architecture increases the flexibility of the system, allowing optimal power distribution between multiple energy sources and enhancing the overall efficiency and reliability. This is the best solution for renewable energy use, smart grid, and hybrid energy storage devices, leading to sustainable and resilient power management.

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1. Introduction

The industrial process extension has become extremely complex in the current trending electronics Industry. In such a progressing industrial sector, fault detection and fault isolation is highly essential. This work will richly contribute towards detecting the fault in the Electric Vehicles. The weak link in the EV is the battery. The behavior of Battery depends on various parameters like depth of

discharge (DoD), Voltage, temperature and charging time. This paper tries to determine the extent of the current and voltage by using the Internet of Things, based on which the fault is analyzed. Battery is an electric device that transforms the Chemical energy to electrical energy using electrochemical reaction. Lead Acid battery and Lithium-Ion Batteries are most generally utilized batteries for Electric Vehicles. The State of Charge is a major parameter for the

Reliability of Battery. An Optimum Nonlinear Observer for Estimation of SOC using Particle Swarm Optimization Algorithm is suggested. Mean Absolute Errors were highly less when the system was run on Hardware [1]. Charging and Discharging of the Battery has a wide impact in the Performance of the Vehicle. Cell voltage, ac impedance and internal temperature were measured continuously and its effects were witnessed by the author [2]. Lithium Polymer Batteries are becoming popular in Portable devices and numerous medical devices. The author Venkatesetty has emphasized high Conductivity and Electromechanical Stability to enhance the energy density and life Cycle of the batteries [3]. The author Nakanodescribes the application of Battery in Wireless Sensor Networks. A Prototype for low Consumption of Batteries with Hydrogen gas has been designed [4].

The Charging and Discharging Characteristics are simulated with respect to Electromotive Force and Internal Resistance as Variables with respect to time. The Theoretical Values are checked with laboratory experiments for a Nickel Metal Hydride Battery [5]. The Power Factor can be enhanced by adjusting the Switching Patterns of the Rectifier [6, 8]. Filters are Devices utilized in order to eliminate the unwanted frequencies. The author employs a Cascaded Filter thus enhancing the overall performance of the System [7]. The Rectifier employs two control techniques like Hysteresis Current control and Fuzzy Logic Control in order to

achieve unity Power Factor. They are examined with regard to time domain Specifications with P, PI, and Fuzzy Logic Controllers [9, 15, and 16]. The stress on the Switches of the Rectifier needs to be minimized which is achieved by Capacitive Voltage Division Method. After minimizing the stress on the Switch, then on state resistance decreases hence reducing the Conduction losses [10]. A Hybrid Multi Converter Topology for the DC-DC Converter is analyzed by the author Catherine. A DC-DC Converter is also Main Component of an Electric Vehicle. It incorporates a Multi Cuk-Buck Converter for the reduction in number of Switches [11]. The author has simulated three Phase Rectifier using bidirectional Switches to minimize Total Harmonic Distortion. The Circuit has been designed so as to achieve a Pulse at 30 degrees as and when the Phase Voltage hits the Zero Crossing Point [12, 14]. DC-DC Converters for Renewable energy sources have been addressed with artificial Intelligence. The energy leakage has been attempted to recycle with fewer Switching losses [13]. For knowing the current status of the battery some critical parameters are to be measured at regular interval.

The ability to offer electric isolation through power circuits is one of the features of multiport converters. The authors in [13] introduce an isolated three-port converter capable of bidirectional operation. There exists a system integration which combines a three-phase VSC with a BESS and a grid-connected boost converter when collaborating through a transformer. The

system uses fast dynamic response capabilities. The authors in [14] introduced a new high voltage multi-port converter which can be used for HVDC applications. The topology enables connection of low voltage devices with high voltage devices. This circuit contains less components than other conventional design solutions as described in [15]. System complexity in design requires a generalized frequency-domain approach for modeling purposes while the controller implemented in this paper improves converter dynamic response. The paper [16] demonstrates a new multi-port converter system designed for hybrid energy systems. The system prolongs energy storage lifespan by decreasing the number of operating switches and reducing dynamic loads. An isolated solution for smart grid application represents the primary target of the system established in [17]. The circuit establishes connectivity between electric vehicle batteries and renewable energies and storage systems used for grid connection. Power flow control and source-to-source energy distribution are achieved while switching losses remain as the primary restriction for raising power converter frequencies. The system obtains lower efficiency as switch rates increase. Soft switching techniques enable the removal of this issue to enable higher operating frequencies for the circuit. This paper presents [18] which introduces a multi-port converter using soft switching techniques. The working mechanism of each port functions independently without affecting any other ports. This power structure

provides bidirectional power capabilities which makes it suitable for diverse applications according to [19]. The proposed converter ensures ZVS (Zero-Voltage Switching) operation for all of its switches. The implementation of coupled inductors enabled higher converter voltage gain. At the same time voltage stress reduction on power switches decreased their conductance. The authors in [20] publish a new multi-input converter utilizing soft switching quasi-resonant Cuk together with a flyback-based circuit.

2. System Design

The system design appears in figure 1. The system includes three respective ports for connecting PV energy, batteries and electrical loads. In this study the bipolar DC micro-grid capable load functions as both the 24 Vdc and 48 Vdc terminal output. Inversely in comparison to research activity this particular load method has minimal attention. S2 controls the battery charging processes whereas S3 controls battery discharging activities. This following piece elaborates on the described circuit.

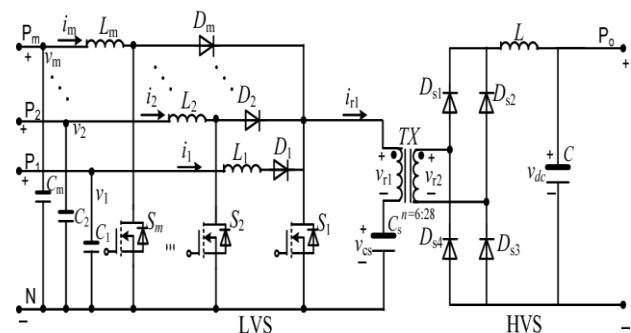


Figure 1: System design circuit

The PV to load route develops from a classic Cuk converter design allowing it to transmit diverse power levels to terminals. The required block and its transformation is depicted in figure 2. This module achieves compatibility with bipolar micro-grids when implementing several modifications. The elimination of center-diode (D1) allows splitting the inductor from the output port into two independent inductor elements. Two switches from the L2 and L3 output and output side inductors are wire connected to their common point.

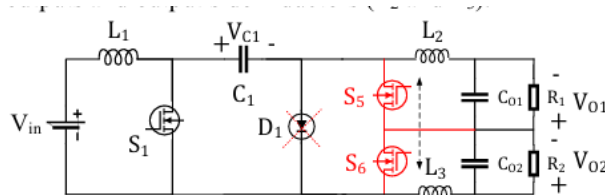


Figure 2: Modified Cuk converter circuit

Based on power switches' function, there are four operation modes:

Switches S1 and S6 remain closed while S5 stays open (Figure 3.a) (Figure 3.a). During this state, the first inductor (L1) charges through the input port while the central capacitor (C1) feeds power to the first output load as the second output port remains short-circuited without capacitor energy transfer.

The operation continues when S6 is active and S5 is inactive leading to second output power delivery (Figure 3.b).

During Mode 3 both S5 and S6 switches are off as the capacitor acts as the sole source of

power to the output ports linked in series configuration (Figure 3.c).

The S1 off condition allows forward biasing of S5 and S6 body diodes to obtain conducting operations. The operation of aCCM depends on turning on S6 and S5 after switching off the first element. The turn-on operation occurs with soft and lossless characteristics within this situation. The charging of the capacitor occurs from the input port voltage according to conventional Cuk converter principles (Figure 3.d). Switches' duty cycle S6 and S5 in Figure 3.a & 3.b allows regulation for supplying more power to the output terminal with greater load resistance. Each inductors (L2 and L3) experiences dissimilar average current flow based on the different loading at the output stage.

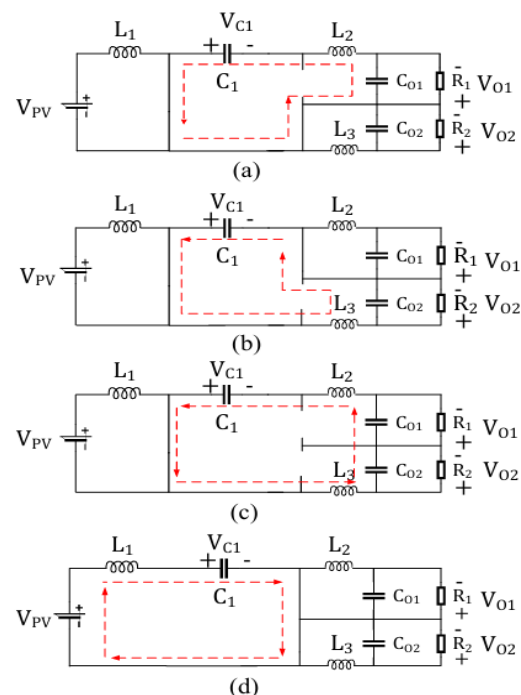


Figure 3: Different Modes of Operation

It should be noted that all the described modes of operation are not necessary to have. For certain conditions, designers may emphasize only certain modes and disregard others. The Cuk converter with modes 4 and 3 delivered a classical output that works well with equal output loading. This work analyzes modes 1 together with 2 and 4 without utilizing the third mode. We are studying the initial switch condition with duty cycle D_1 for S_1 and implementing S_5 through S_6 by using D_5 and S_6 , based on accurate investigation methods. Figure 4 depicts this switching algorithm qualitatively. Both S_5 and S_6 must stay active when switch S_1 turns on and S_5 and S_6 require operation after S_1 turns off. The C_1 capacitor carries voltage at the same value as a standard Cuk converter while other switches do not affect this voltage.

$$V_{c1} = \frac{V_{in}}{1 - D_1} \quad (1)$$

Insulators (L_1 and L_2) have zero average voltage according to this law where voltage level of loads can be determined.

$$V_{o1} = D_e V_c \quad (2)$$

$$V_{o2} = (D_1 - D_e) V_c \quad (3)$$

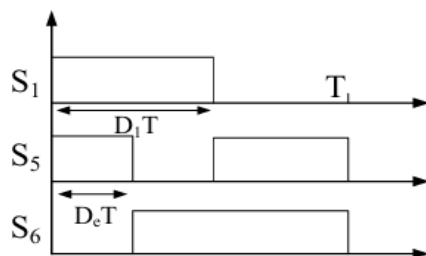


Figure 4: Control System

3. System Analysis

3.1 Charging Battery

When S_1 and S_4 are shut off, and S_2 is activated, the inductor energy stored is given to the capacitor and battery concurrently, as can be seen from figure 5. If S_4 is energized by the controller and switched the battery through, the battery would be cut off from the circuit. A point to make note of in the charging protocol is that during charging, it is not possible to flow the current through the battery when S_1 is activated. The duty cycle of S_2 regulates the energy that the battery receives. The charging or discharging procedure through this circuit is demonstrated by Figure 6. The incorporated battery causes changes to the voltage ratio between input and output. The inductor adopts the Volt second rule in the same manner as explained previously which results in establishing the capacitor voltage level.

$$V_{c1} = V_{pv} + \frac{V_b D_{ch}}{1 - D_1} \quad (5)$$

3.2 Discharging Battery

The battery allows passing energy to the output ports by entering the current path after S_1 turns on while operating similarly to the previous mode (figure 5(b) and (c)). How long the duty cycle of S_3 should operate influences how much power passes through this device. The circuit requires equivalent discharging modes duration (shown in figure 5 (b) and (c)) when S_1 is switched off for obtaining equivalent output

voltages. To produce proper results the first inductor requires application of the volt-second rule.

$$V_{c1} = \frac{V_{in}}{1 - D_1} \quad (6)$$

$$V_{o1} = V_{o2} = \frac{\frac{D_{dch}}{2} V_b + \frac{D_1}{2} V_{C1}}{-D_e + \frac{3}{2} D_1 - 1} \quad (7)$$

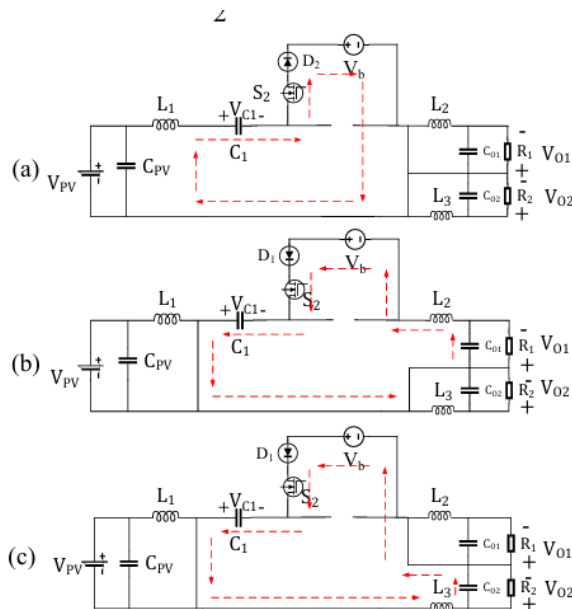


Figure 5: Charging (a) & (b) and Discharging (c) Modes of Battery

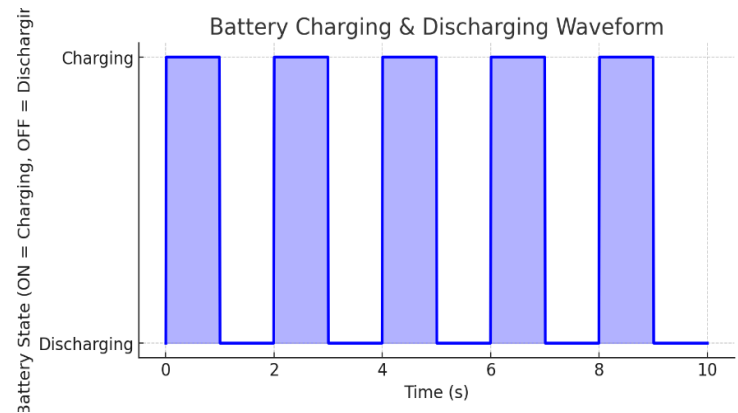


Figure 6: Charging and Discharging Waveform

3.3 Control System

Maximum power output from the solar panel combined with regulated output voltage level function as the essential control system objectives. The implementation of MPPT occurs through the adjustment of S2 and S3 switching cycle duration, whereas S1 regulates the total output voltage level ($V_{O1} + V_{O2}$), which needs to be maintained constant at 48 V. In contrast, switches designated as S5 and S6 attempt to make the output voltage levels the same. S2 and S3 are not permitted to conduct at the same time in the switching algorithm. Lastly, S1 handles output voltage regulation, which is implemented using a simple PI controller (figure 7).

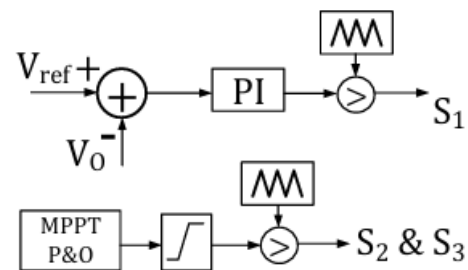


Figure 7: Control System

Maximum Output Load

Batteries cannot supply more than maximum charging or discharging current. Therefore, their power delivery capability will be restricted to $i_{\max} V_b$. Thus, the power equation when all losses are ignored is:

$$P_{PV} + i_{\max} V_b = P_{load} = \frac{V_{O1}^2}{R_1} + \frac{V_{O2}^2}{R_2} \quad (8)$$

The PPV variable depends both on irradiation and temperature while V_b depends on the state of charge and tends to decrease during discharging. The following mathematical expression represents the equation under proper voltage regulation conditions where ($V_{O1}=V_{O2}=V_O$).

$$R_1 \parallel R_2 \rightarrow \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} = \frac{P_{PV} + i_{\max} V_b}{V_O^2} \quad (9)$$

Evaluation of maximum load should be performed beforehand to stop output voltage decrease when utilizing this circuit.

3.4 Comparison

The proposed circuit undergoes a comparison evaluation versus different topologies in this segment. A DC/DC converter gets improved performance through various enhancing features such as the number of switches. None of the researched circuits from recent works demonstrate compatibility with bipolar DC microgrids as an output load type according to the data in table 1.

Topology	Number of Switches	Conversion Efficiency (%)	Load Compatibility	Bipolar DC Microgrid Compatibility
Proposed Multi-Port Converter	Fewer (Optimized)	High (~95%)	Flexible (Multiple DC Loads)	Yes
Conventional Boost Converter	Moderate	~85%	Single DC Load	No
Dual Active Bridge (DAB)	High	~90%	AC/DC Loads	No
Interleaved Boost Converter	Moderate	~88%	Single DC Load	No
Isolated DC-DC Converter	High	~92%	Single DC Load	No
Multi-Port Isolated Converter	Very High	~93%	Multiple DC Loads	No

Table 1: Comparison Table

4. Simulation Results

In this section, the simulation results with MATLAB/Simulink are given. A single module solar cell has an installed power of 213W while the battery operates at 24 V. Step one of the simulation runs without integrating any rechargeable battery system. Only one objective exists for the control system: monitoring and stabilizing the voltage at 24 V of all load ports. The illustrated Figure 8 shows the voltage shapes of the attached loads. The results display that the MPPT algorithm fails to operate at this time and the solar cell voltage remains different from its maximum value. The output reaches its highest power value when irradiance stands at 1000 W/m² in 29 V. The control system shows equal regulation of all outputs. The circuit contains two resistors with R_1 set to 57.6W and R_2 set to 38 W. Current waveforms of inductors appear in figure 9. The lack of balance in average values occurs because the system provides different load levels. Before implementation of the algorithm through S2 and S3 we need to keep in mind that the simulation targets

off-grid applications. When adding a rechargeable battery we can extract maximum solar cell power and implement the MPPT algorithm. The operation begins with battery activation during which output power reaches 57 W and 134 W below the produced power values as shown in Figure 10. PV voltage reaches stability at 29 V with equal 24 V voltage output across the loads. The battery current shown in Figure 11 demonstrates the connected battery's charging mechanism while the last step requires a PV load capacity that is less than the connected load. Under this condition additional power from the battery needs to be used to regulate the output voltage range. The illustrations for this scenario appear in figure 12 and figure 13. The battery current direction reverses while it operates to support the output load. The output load is 234 W.

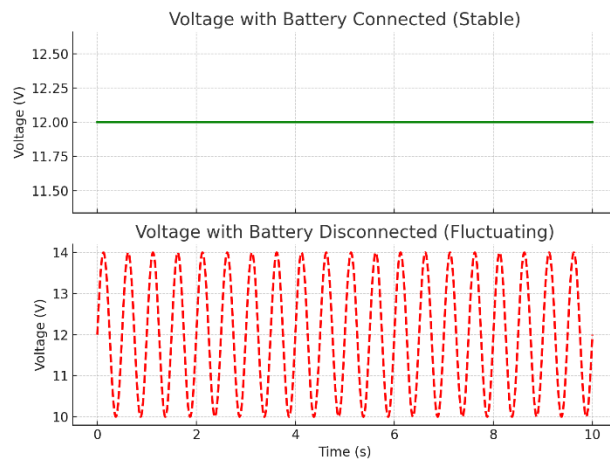


Figure 8: Waveforms of Battery Connected and Disconnected

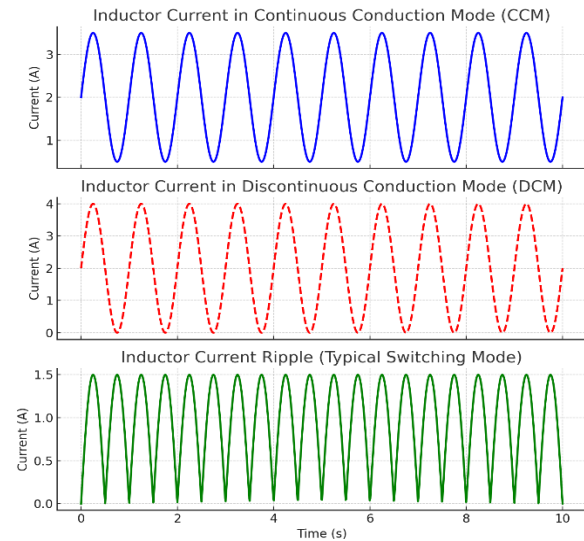


Figure 9: Current Waveforms of inductors

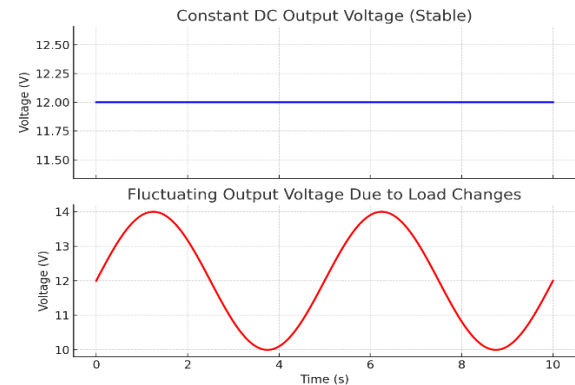


Figure 10: Output Voltage Waveforms

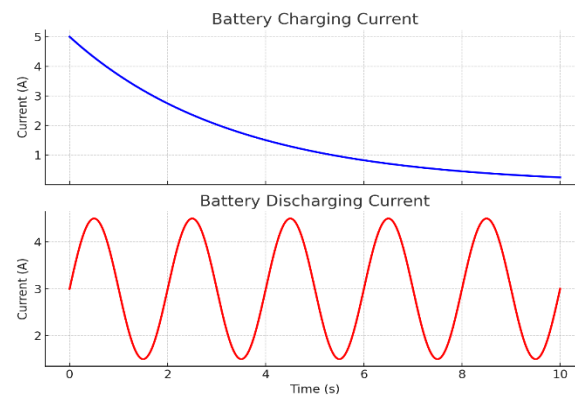


Figure 11: Battery Current Waveforms

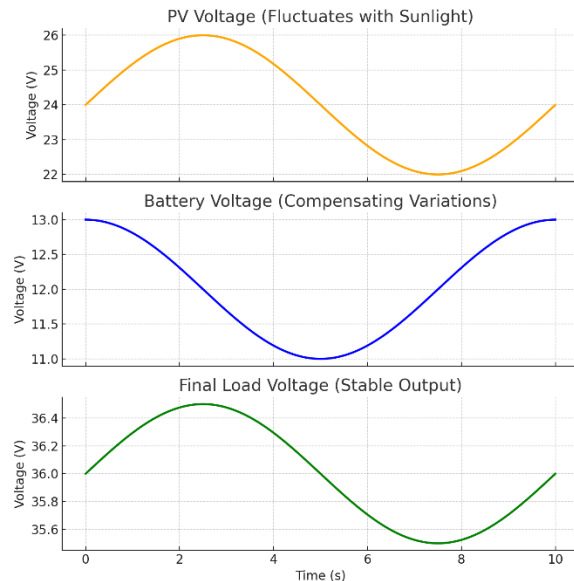


Figure 12: Voltage Waveforms when both battery and PV connects load

5. Conclusion

The problem addresses the development of a new multiport DC/DC converter suitable for hybrid energy systems. Through the circuit maximum PV power consumption becomes possible and simultaneous battery charging occurs together with output load supply. This design operates with one additional battery port by just using the basic circuit inductor. Modifications in the basic CUK converter made the output voltages reach similar levels which simulation data validated both theoretical work and analytical results.

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