

Question 1. Fig. 1 shows an electrical equivalent circuit representing the dynamics of DDR-controlled second-order switched-mode converters operating in CCM. Define symbolically based on Fig. 1 **a)** Z_{o-o} (i.e., \hat{v}_o / \hat{i}_o), **b)** Z_{in-o} (i.e., $\hat{v}_{in} / \hat{i}_{in}$), and **c)** G_{io-o} (i.e., \hat{v}_o / \hat{v}_{in}). Each correct answer gives 2 pts.

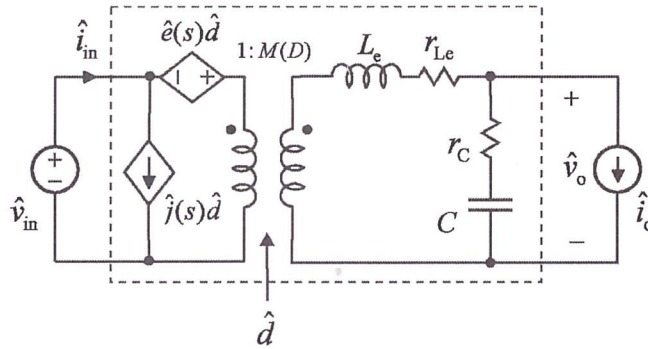


Fig. 1

Question 2. Fig. 2 shows the measured input impedances of a DDR-controlled buck converter equipped with an LC input filter (Z_s).

- a) Is the converter stable? (Justify your answer)
- b) What is the approximate crossover frequency of the output-voltage feedback loop?
- c) The open-loop input impedance (Z_{in-o}), and the LC-filter output impedance (Z_s) overlaps as visible in the figure. What effect this overlap has in the converter?

Each correct answer gives 2 pts.

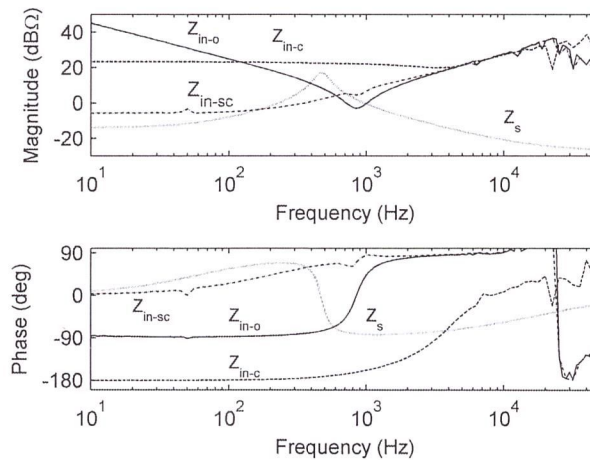


Fig. 2

Question 3. A typical complementary sensitive function ($T(s)$) of a closed-loop system can be given by according to Eq. (1).

$$T(s) = \frac{\omega_n^2}{s^2 + s2\zeta\omega_n + \omega_n^2} \quad (1)$$

- a) Explain the meaning of ζ and ω_n .
- b) Derive the expression for the loop gain $L(s)$ based on Eq. (1).
- c) If $2\zeta\omega_n < 0$ then how many RHP poles will exist in the system?

Each correct answer will give 2 pts.

Question 4. If we know that the set of transfer functions (i.e., G parameters) of the converter in Fig. 3a can be given by

$$\begin{bmatrix} \hat{i}_{in} \\ \hat{v}_o \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} Y_{in}^G & T_{oi}^G & G_{ci}^G \\ G_{io}^G & -Z_o^G & G_{co}^G \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{v}_{in} \\ \hat{i}_o \\ \hat{d} \end{bmatrix} \quad (2)$$

then compute the corresponding set of transfer functions (i.e., Y parameters) representing the dynamics of the converter in Fig. 3b according to

$$\begin{bmatrix} \hat{i}_{in} \\ \hat{i}_o \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} Y_{in}^Y & T_{oi}^Y & G_{ci}^Y \\ G_{io}^Y & -Y_o^Y & G_{co}^Y \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{v}_{in} \\ \hat{v}_o \\ \hat{d} \end{bmatrix} \quad (3)$$

The power stage of the converter is the same all the time.

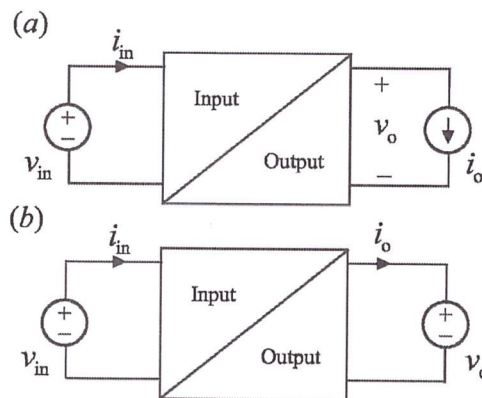


Fig. 3 VF-converter (a) voltage-output mode, and (b) current-output mode.

Each correct transfer function will give 1 pt.

Question 5. Fig. 4 shows the Bode plot of the open-loop output impedance of a buck converter. Its analytic form is given in Eq. (4).

- a) Estimate the values of L , C , r_L , and r_C based on Fig. 4 (Each correct value gives 1 pt)
- b) What is the characteristic impedance of this circuit and what is its value? (2 pts)

$$Z_{o-o} = \frac{1}{LC} \cdot \frac{(r_L + sL)(1 + sr_C C)}{s^2 + s \frac{r_L + r_C}{L} + \frac{1}{LC}} \quad (4)$$

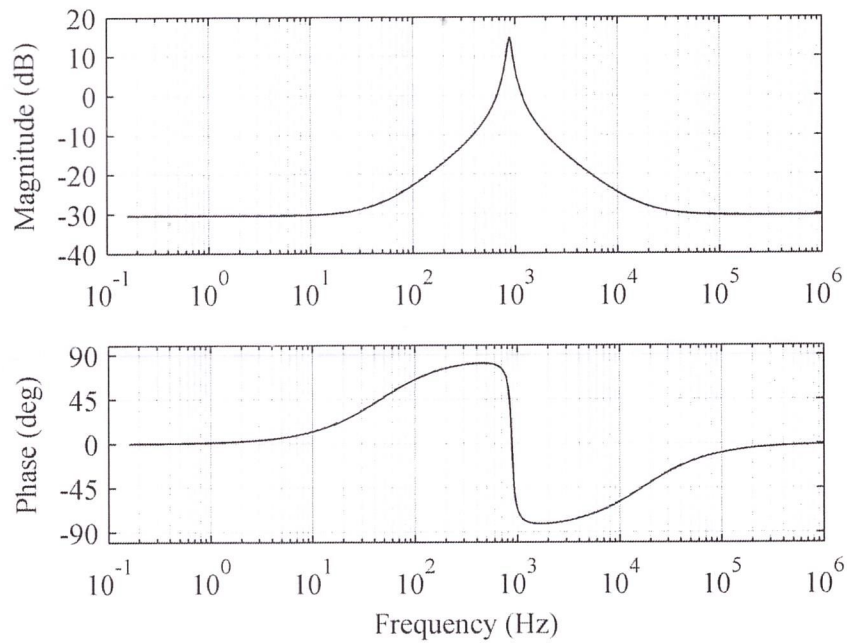


Fig. 4