## EECS 192: Mechatronics Design Lab Discussion 4: Project Proposal Feedback & Power Systems

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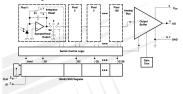
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# Project Proposal Feedback

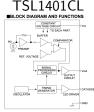
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- Beaglebone Blue pins
- Sensors
  - Line scan camera(s)
  - encoder/ back emf sensor
- Links
  - Line Scan Camera 1, Line Scan Camera 2
  - Optical encoder coming soon

#### Functional Block Diagram







**Optical Encoder** 

#### Motor Drive

#### ► G\_en

- Needs 5V!!!!
- Pull down resistor (6.8k good)
- Shoot through protection
  - Logic protection circuit
  - Inverted PWM via code
- General
  - Heatsinks
  - Layout



#### Complimentary PWM



# Switching Power Supply

#### DC-DC Converter

- ► 3 Cell LiPo Battery provides 11-12V
  - Good for motor, driver chip/ op amp
- ▶ We also need 5V?
  - Servo, optical encoder, camera, etc.
- How to consistently get 5V?
  - DC-DC converter!
  - Step Down
    - Buck Converter, Linear Regulator
  - Step Up
    - Boost Converter



Buck Converter

## Buck Converter Circuit

- DC-to-DC switching power supply generating output voltage lower than input
- Uses inductor as storage element
- Efficient, no losses in ideal case
  - Non-idealities: wire resistance, diode and transistor losses
- Capacitive filter to smooth output voltage



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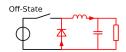


Switch Closed

# **Buck Converter Operation**

#### Inductor charges when switch is closed

- Energy stored in inductor by magnetic field, current through inductor increases
- Diode does nothing here
- Inductor discharges when switch is open
  - Magnetic field dissipates, current through inductor decreases
  - Inductor voltage polarity reversed, generating voltage over input
  - Current flows through diode, output capacitor charged



Switch Open

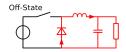
## Buck Converter Control

- If switch cycled fast enough, inductor does not fully discharge
- Output voltage is function of duty cycle D and efficiency η (link)

$$\blacktriangleright V_{out} = \eta D V_{in}$$



Inductor charging



Inductor discharging

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#### **Related Topologies**

#### Boost Converter Circuit (for your reference)

- DC-to-DC switching power supply generating output voltage *lower* than input
- Similar principle to buck converter

$$\blacktriangleright V_{out} = \frac{1}{1-D} V_{in}$$

Also exists buck-boost converters, where output can be greater than, equal to, or less than the input



Boost Converter

#### Questions?

# got it?

power supply pros, right?

# **Practical Application**

Basics

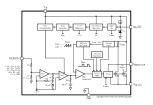
# Automatic Feedback Control

- So, what is the switch-controlling magic?
- Feedback control: chip has logic to regulate the voltage on the feedback pin to an internal V<sub>FB</sub> = 1.21V reference

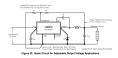
$$\blacktriangleright V_{out} = V_{FB} \left( 1 + \frac{R_2}{R_1} \right)$$

•  $R_1 \approx 1 k \Omega$  recommended





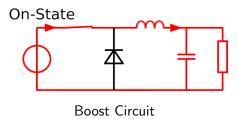
LM2678 Block Diagram



Application circuit

#### Problematic?

What happens if the switch get stucks in the closed position?



#### Layout is Important!!!

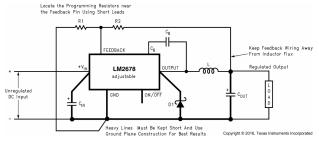


Figure 22. Basic Circuit for Adjustable Output Voltage Applications

Circuit

#### Layout Guidelines

- Switching power supplies are layout sensitive
  - Part placement and routing matters!
- ► Tips from the datasheet:
  - Keep diode and filter capacitor connections as short as possible
  - Minimize high frequency current path (switch, diode, capacitor)
- Read the datasheet!

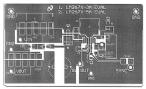


Figure 24. Top Layer Foil Pattern of Printed-Circuit Board

Recommended layout

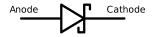
(uses surface-mount components) source: datasheet, Linear Technology

Issues

# Supporting Componenets

- Capacitors
  - Ceramic, film, polarized (tantalum, aluminum, etc.)...
- Diodes
  - Shottky
- Inductor
  - Toroid







#### Toroid Inductor

#### Summary

Summary

- Buck converters step down a DC voltage to a lower DC voltage
- LM2678 uses feedback control to do voltage regulation
- ► Follow recommended layout guidelines during PCB design
- Very difficult to make work on perfboard- just design it on the pcb.

Parts Handout Office hours for the rest of the section