

# Soft-switching Bidirectional Step-up/down Partial Power Converter with Reduced Components Stress

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## ABSTRACT

The design and implementation of soft-switching bidirectional converters are pivotal in modern power electronic systems, offering enhanced efficiency and reduced component stress. The proposed soft-switching bidirectional step-up/down partial power converter aims to elevate overall performance while leveraging MATLAB for thorough simulation and analysis. By facilitating bidirectional power flow and employing soft-switching techniques, the converter effectively manages voltage levels while minimizing switching losses and protecting essential components with a solid-state circuit breaker. The article elucidates the operating principles and advantages of this converter compared to its closest rival, showcasing its efficiency, longevity, and adaptability to varying voltage levels and power flows. MATLAB's role in modeling and simulating the converter's behavior enables comprehensive analysis and optimization, underscoring its sophistication and efficiency in power conversion applications.

**KEYWORDS:** SOLAR PANEL, CONVERTER TOPOLOGY, STRESS FACTOR, DCT ODC CONVERTER, PARTIAL POWER CONVERTER.

## INTRODUCTION

The introduction of a soft-switching bidirectional step-up/down partial power converter marks a significant stride in the realm of power electronics. In the contemporary landscape of energy conversion systems, the demand for efficient, versatile, and reliable converters has intensified. This converter aims to meet these demands by offering a solution that combines bidirectional power flow capability with the advantages of soft-switching techniques, all while reducing stress on crucial components. The fundamental objective of this converter is to enable seamless transfer of power between different sources while accommodating variations in voltage levels. By achieving bidirectional power flow, it can efficiently step up or down voltage as required, catering to diverse application scenarios. A soft-switching bidirectional step-up/down partial power converter is a response to the growing need for more efficient and robust power conversion solutions across various industries. Its ability to manage bidirectional power flow and reduce

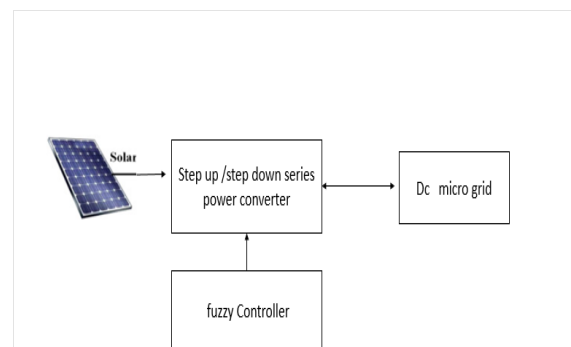
component stress holds promise for enhanced system efficiency, prolonged component lifespan, and overall reliability. The utilization of MATLAB software in the development and analysis of this converter underscores the importance of simulation tools in modern engineering. MATLAB enables comprehensive Modelling Simulation and optimization of the converter's performance under different operational conditions, offering insights crucial for fine-tuning its design parameters and ensuring optimal functionality. In essence, this introduction sets the stage for the exploration of a novel converter design that amalgamates bidirectional power flow, soft-switching techniques, and MATLAB-based analysis. The subsequent sections delve deeper into the intricacies of this converter, unveiling its operational principles, design considerations, simulation results, and potential applications. The converter aims to seamlessly transfer power bidirectional between different sources, accommodating voltage level variations. This bidirectional capability enables it to step up or step down voltage levels as needed ensuring versatile application across various systems requiring different power specifications the converter employs soft-switching methods to significantly reduce switching losses.

## PROPOSED SYSTEM

The proposed system involves a sophisticated soft-switching bidirectional step-up/down partial power converter aimed at efficiently managing voltage in both directions while minimizing stress on its components. A unique bidirectional step-up/down (BDSUD) S-PPC based on an isolated current source full-bridge (CSFB) dc–dc converter is proposed in

this section. The input-parallel-output-series (IPOS) design of the S-PPC often results in lower processing power for both step-up and step-down modes. At a low voltage (LV) port in S-PPCs, a broad voltage control range capability is necessary. In the event that the input and output voltages are equal, the voltage across this port of the dc–dc stage spans from zero to the maximum voltage regulation range for the intended application. By leveraging advanced control techniques and circuit design, this converter offers bidirectional power flow with reduced losses and enhanced reliability. Through MATLAB simulations and analysis, the system's performance is rigorously evaluated to demonstrate its effectiveness in achieving smooth voltage regulation while significantly reducing stress on its internal components. This innovation represents a promising advancement in power electronics, catering to applications demanding versatile and efficient voltage conversion capabilities.

## BLOCK DIAGRAM



The soft-switching bidirectional step-up/down partial power converter assumes a vital role within solar energy systems, acting as a linchpin for efficient power conversion and management. Integrated with solar panels, it adeptly transforms variable DC output into a consistent

voltage level, seamlessly integrating solar power into the system. With its bidirectional capability, it optimally handles surplus solar energy, either storing it by stepping up the voltage or immediately utilizing it by stepping it down. Acting as a crucial intermediary with batteries, the converter ensures efficient charging during surplus generation and steady power delivery during high demand periods, guaranteeing a continuous and stable power supply. Moreover, interfacing with the power supply unit, it optimizes voltage levels for connected devices, ensuring efficient utilization of grid power or alternative sources. Orchestrated by an Arduino Uno control unit, the converter's operations are finely regulated based on predefined algorithms or user-defined commands, enabling seamless energy flow and voltage adjustments. Voltage sensors and real-time feedback mechanisms further enhance system optimization, while features like an LCD display and buzzer aid in monitoring and user interaction, making the converter an indispensable component within DC micro grid setups for effective power management.

## SOFTWARE IMPLEMENTATION

- Matlab,
- Arduino IDE

### MATLAB

MATLAB (matrix laboratory) stands as a powerful numerical computing environment and fourth-generation programming language, developed by MathWorks. It facilitates various tasks such as matrix manipulations, plotting functions and data, implementing algorithms, creating user interfaces, and interfacing with other programming languages like C, C++, Java, and Fortran.

Although primarily focused on numerical computing, MATLAB also offers symbolic computing capabilities through an optional toolbox utilizing the MuPAD symbolic engine. Additionally, the Simulink package adds graphical multi-domain simulation and Model-Based Design for dynamic and embedded systems.

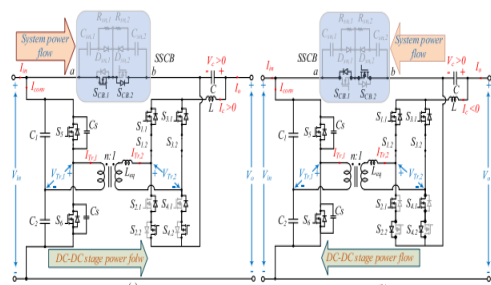
Since its inception, MATLAB has garnered a user base of around one million across industry and academia, spanning diverse fields such as engineering, science, and economics. Initially embraced by control engineering practitioners, MATLAB has expanded its influence into numerous domains and is widely utilized in academic, research, and industrial settings. Its applications extend to education, especially in linear algebra and numerical analysis instruction, and it remains popular among scientists engaged in image processing. The MATLAB application revolves around the MATLAB language, offering an interactive mathematical shell where code can be executed directly in the Command Window. Code sequences can be saved as scripts or encapsulated into functions, enhancing flexibility and reusability. MATLAB provides comprehensive features for documenting and sharing work, facilitating integration with other languages and applications, and enabling the distribution of MATLAB algorithms and applications.

### ARDUINO IDE

The Arduino Software (IDE) is an essential tool for programming Arduino devices, offering a comprehensive set of features for writing, compiling, and uploading code. Alongside a text editor for code writing, it includes a message box for highlighting issues, a terminal for

displaying program output and error messages, and a toolbar with buttons for common actions like saving and uploading sketches. The IDE establishes a connection with Arduino hardware for program upload and communication. It supports the Arduino programming language, where sketches are created and saved as .ino files. The IDE simplifies code compilation and is compatible with various Arduino modules, making it accessible to beginners and seasoned developers alike. With its user-friendly interface and support for C and C++ programming languages, the Arduino IDE streamlines the process of developing applications for Arduino devices.

## CIRCUIT DIAGRAM

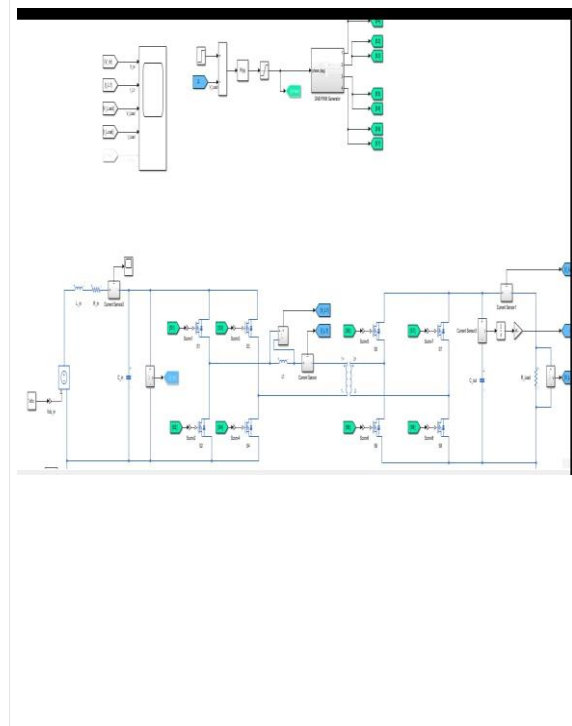


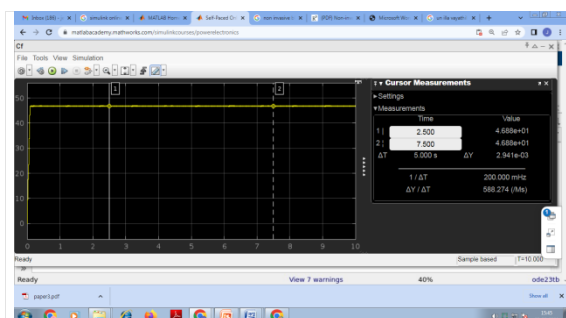
The proposed converter in the class of BDSUD S-PPCs is the S-PPC based on DAB dc-dc an unfolding circuit in the series port the number of switches is lower in the proposed converter due to the application of a halfbridge circuit. small nF-scale ceramic snubber capacitors, much smaller than mF-scale capacitors used in the DAB-based S-PPC. proposed converter operates with soft switching within its defined voltage and power range. DAB literature for step-up/down S-PPC. suffers from excessive power circulation between its high and low voltage ports. The single PSM (SPSM) has the highest circulated power. Hence, dual-PSM (DPSM) could be used to reduce the power circulation and widen the ZVS range of the converter. Although DPSM reduces the highpower circulation in the converter power range

compared to the SPSM, it cannot eliminate the power circulation, especially at small phase shifts where the converter works in light load conditions. The soft-switching range of the DAB converter is illustrated in. The voltage gain is normalized by the transformer voltage conversion ratio  $n$  for DAB and  $2 \cdot n$  for the isolated CSFB converter, considering the utilization of the half-bridge circuit in the HV port. 24 The red line depicts the ZVS boundary of the DAB converter. Below the line, it loses the soft-switching operation in the LV port.

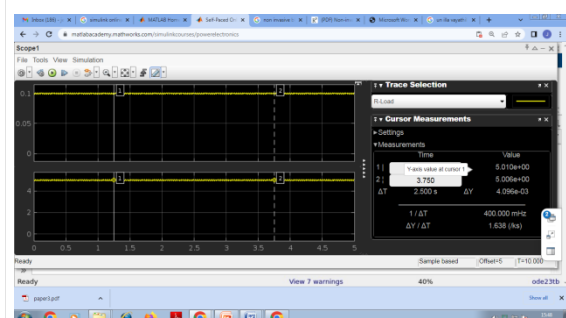
## RESULT & DISCUSSIONS

### Soft-Switching Bidirectional Step-Up/Down Partial Power Converter With Reduced Components Stress Design Using Simulation





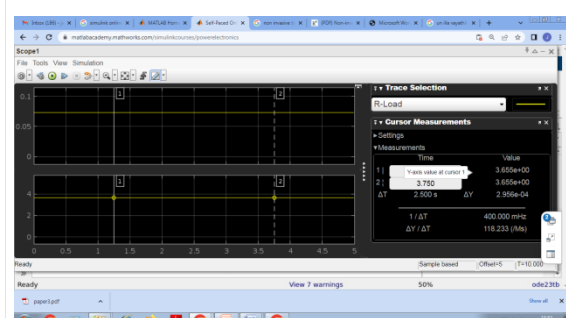
Output Voltage of PV Panel (Irradiance = 200)



output voltage of DC-DC converter(Buck)



Output voltage of PV panel( Irradiance=25)



output voltage of DC-DC converter(Boost)

## CONCLUSION

In conclusion, the development and analysis of the soft-switching bidirectional step-up/down partial power

converter underscore its significance in modern power electronic systems. The innovative design, leveraging softswitching techniques and bidirectional power flow capabilities, showcase a paradigm shift in power conversion methodologies. Through meticulous simulation-based analysis using MATLAB, this converter has demonstrated remarkable efficiency improvements and a substantial reduction in stress on critical components. The ability to seamlessly handle bidirectional power flow while efficiently adjusting voltage levels ensures its versatility across a spectrum of applications, promising enhanced reliability and extended component lifespan. The proposed converter's performance, validated through rigorous simulations, not only establishes its superiority over existing architectures but also highlights its potential to drive advancements in power conversion technologies. As the demand for efficient, adaptable, and robust power converters continues to surge, the presented soft-switching bidirectional step-up/down partial power converter stands as a pioneering solution, poised to shape the landscape of power electronics with its unparalleled efficiency, reliability, and versatility.

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