

# Chapter 11: Outline

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## 11.1 Oscillation for $D > 0.5$

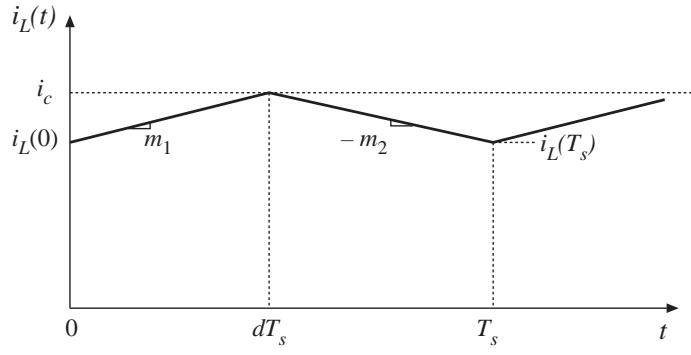
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- The current programmed controller is inherently unstable for  $D > 0.5$ , regardless of the converter topology
- Controller can be stabilized by addition of an artificial ramp

Objectives of this section:

- Stability analysis
- Describe artificial ramp scheme

# Inductor current waveform, CCM



*Inductor current slopes  $m_1$  and  $-m_2$*

buck converter

$$m_1 = \frac{v_g - v}{L} \quad -m_2 = -\frac{v}{L}$$

boost converter

$$m_1 = \frac{v_g}{L} \quad -m_2 = \frac{v_g - v}{L}$$

buck-boost converter

$$m_1 = \frac{v_g}{L} \quad -m_2 = \frac{v}{L}$$

# Steady-state inductor current waveform, CPM

First interval:

$$i_L(dT_s) = i_c = i_L(0) + m_1 dT_s$$

Solve for  $d$ :

$$d = \frac{i_c - i_L(0)}{m_1 T_s}$$

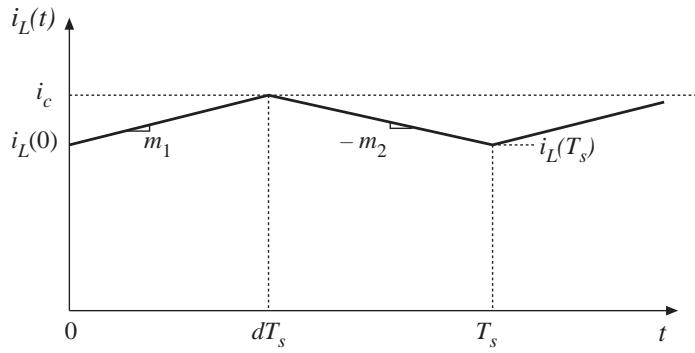
Second interval:

$$\begin{aligned} i_L(T_s) &= i_L(dT_s) - m_2 d' T_s \\ &= i_L(0) + m_1 d T_s - m_2 d' T_s \end{aligned}$$

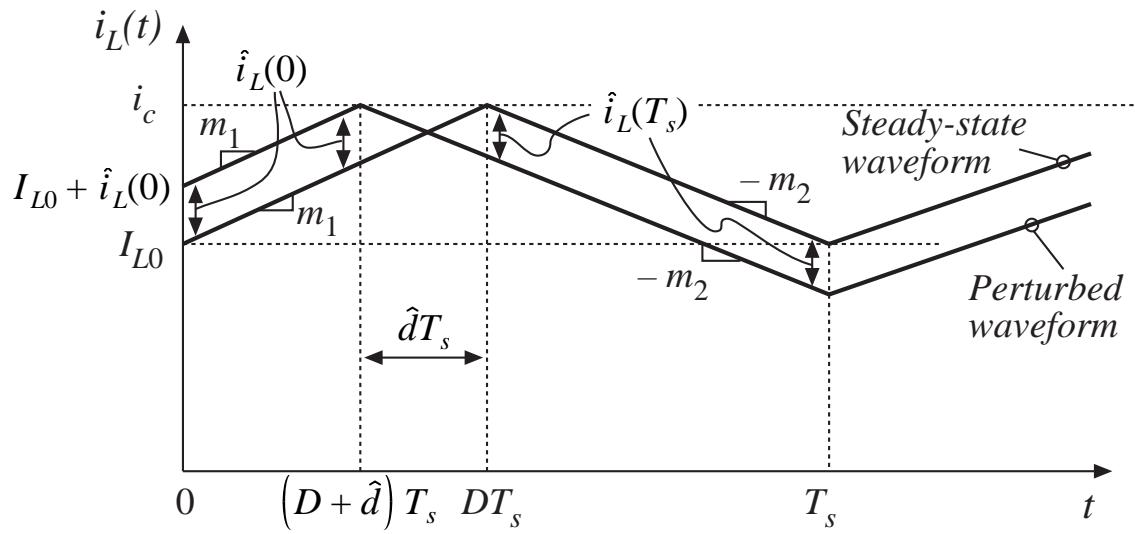
In steady state:

$$0 = M_1 D T_s - M_2 D' T_s$$

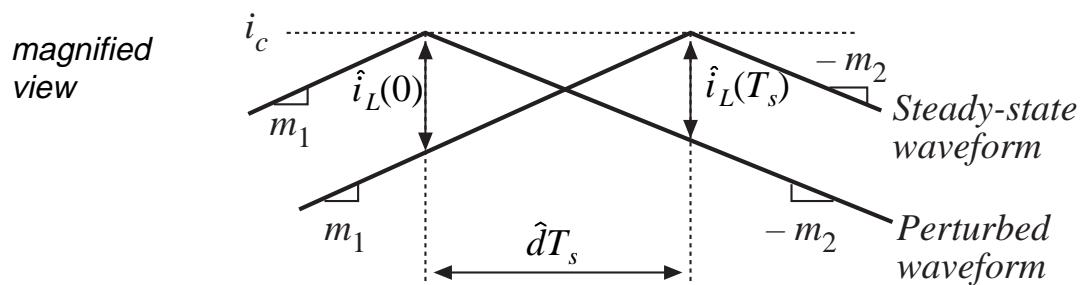
$$\frac{M_2}{M_1} = \frac{D}{D'}$$



# Perturbed inductor current waveform



## Change in inductor current perturbation over one switching period



$$\hat{i}_L(0) = -m_1 \hat{d} T_s$$

$$\hat{i}_L(T_s) = m_2 \hat{d} T_s$$

$$\hat{i}_L(T_s) = \hat{i}_L(0) \left( -\frac{D}{D'} \right)$$

$$\hat{i}_L(T_s) = \hat{i}_L(0) \left( -\frac{m_2}{m_1} \right)$$

# Change in inductor current perturbation over many switching periods

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$$\hat{i}_L(T_s) = \hat{i}_L(0) \left( -\frac{D}{D'} \right)$$

$$\hat{i}_L(2T_s) = \hat{i}_L(T_s) \left( -\frac{D}{D'} \right) = \hat{i}_L(0) \left( -\frac{D}{D'} \right)^2$$

$$\hat{i}_L(nT_s) = \hat{i}_L((n-1)T_s) \left( -\frac{D}{D'} \right) = \hat{i}_L(0) \left( -\frac{D}{D'} \right)^n$$

$$|\hat{i}_L(nT_s)| \rightarrow \begin{cases} 0 & \text{when } \left| -\frac{D}{D'} \right| < 1 \\ \infty & \text{when } \left| -\frac{D}{D'} \right| > 1 \end{cases}$$

For stability:  $D < 0.5$

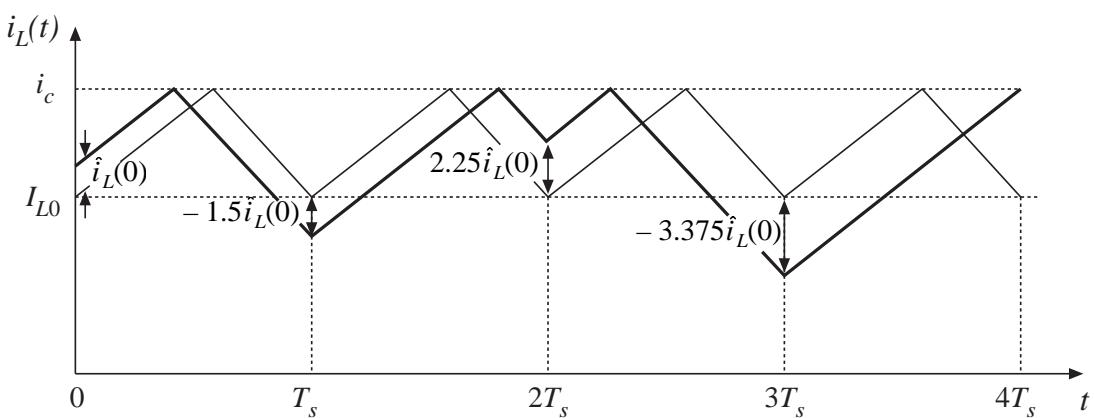
## Example: unstable operation for $D = 0.6$

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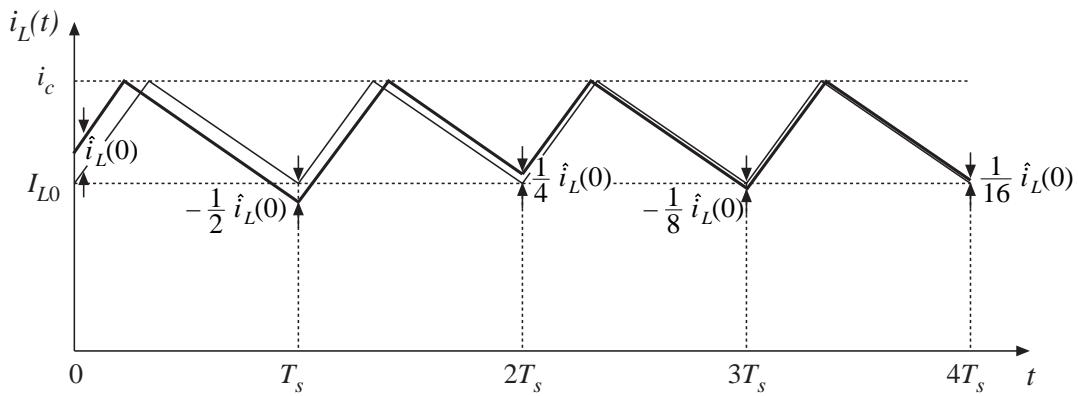
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$$\alpha = -\frac{D}{D'} = \left( -\frac{0.6}{0.4} \right) = -1.5$$

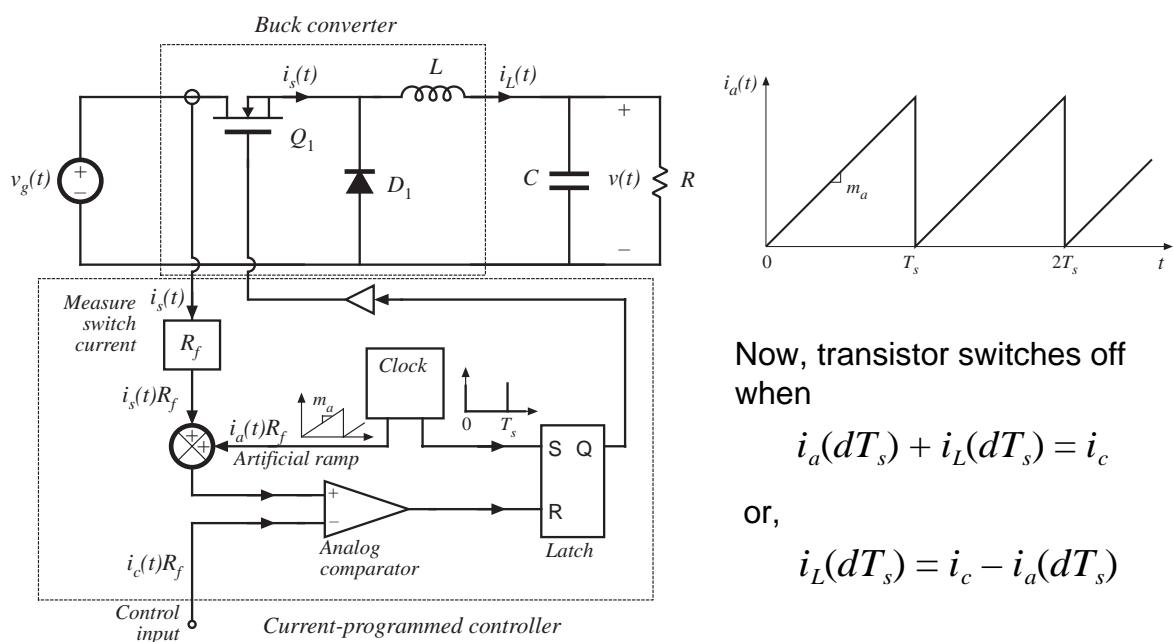


## Example: stable operation for $D = 1/3$

$$\alpha = -\frac{D}{D'} = \left(-\frac{1/3}{2/3}\right) = -0.5$$

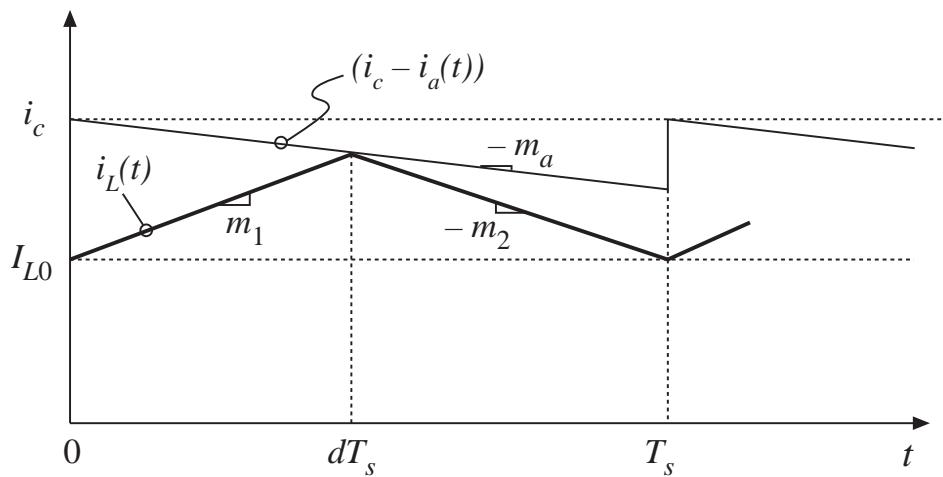


## Stabilization via addition of an artificial ramp to the measured switch current waveform

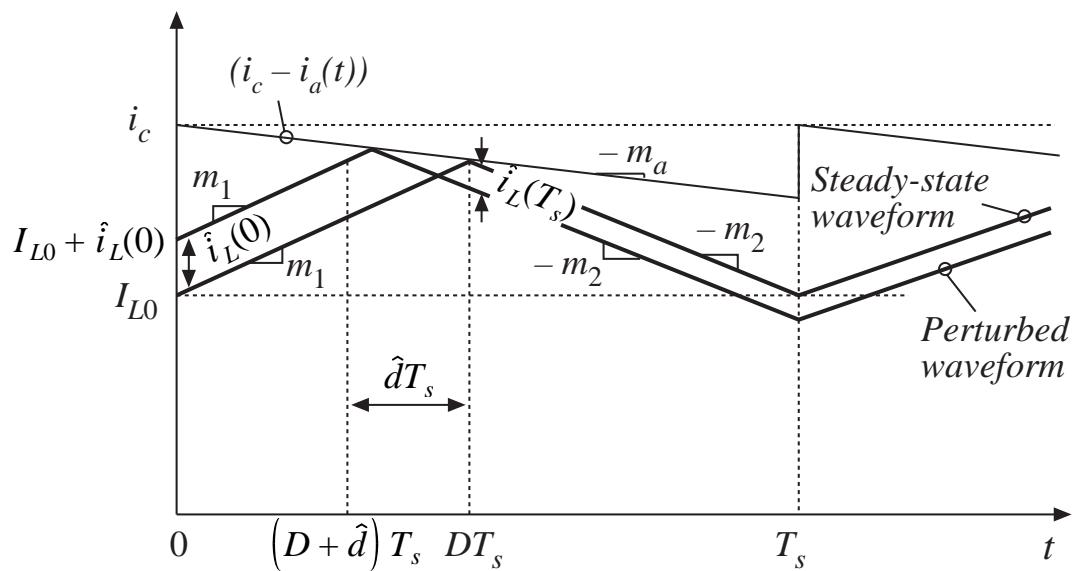


# Steady state waveforms with artificial ramp

$$i_L(dT_s) = i_c - i_a(dT_s)$$



## Stability analysis: perturbed waveform



# Stability analysis: change in perturbation over complete switching periods

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First subinterval:

$$\hat{i}_L(0) = -\hat{d}T_s(m_1 + m_a)$$

Second subinterval:

$$\hat{i}_L(T_s) = -\hat{d}T_s(m_a - m_2)$$

Net change over one switching period:

$$\hat{i}_L(T_s) = \hat{i}_L(0) \left( -\frac{m_2 - m_a}{m_1 + m_a} \right)$$

After  $n$  switching periods:

$$\hat{i}_L(nT_s) = \hat{i}_L((n-1)T_s) \left( -\frac{m_2 - m_a}{m_1 + m_a} \right) = \hat{i}_L(0) \left( -\frac{m_2 - m_a}{m_1 + m_a} \right)^n = \hat{i}_L(0) \alpha^n$$

Characteristic value:

$$\alpha = -\frac{m_2 - m_a}{m_1 + m_a} \quad \left| \hat{i}_L(nT_s) \right| \rightarrow \begin{cases} 0 & \text{when } |\alpha| < 1 \\ \infty & \text{when } |\alpha| > 1 \end{cases}$$

## The characteristic value $\alpha$

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$$\alpha = -\frac{1 - \frac{m_a}{m_2}}{\frac{D'}{D} + \frac{m_a}{m_2}}$$

- For stability, require  $|\alpha| < 1$
- Buck and buck-boost converters:  $m_2 = -v/L$   
So if  $v$  is well-regulated, then  $m_2$  is also well-regulated
- A common choice:  $m_a = 0.5 m_2$   
This leads to  $\alpha = -1$  at  $D = 1$ , and  $|\alpha| < 1$  for  $0 \leq D < 1$ .  
The minimum  $\alpha$  that leads to stability for all  $D$ .
- Another common choice:  $m_a = m_2$   
This leads to  $\alpha = 0$  for  $0 \leq D < 1$ .  
Deadbeat control, finite settling time