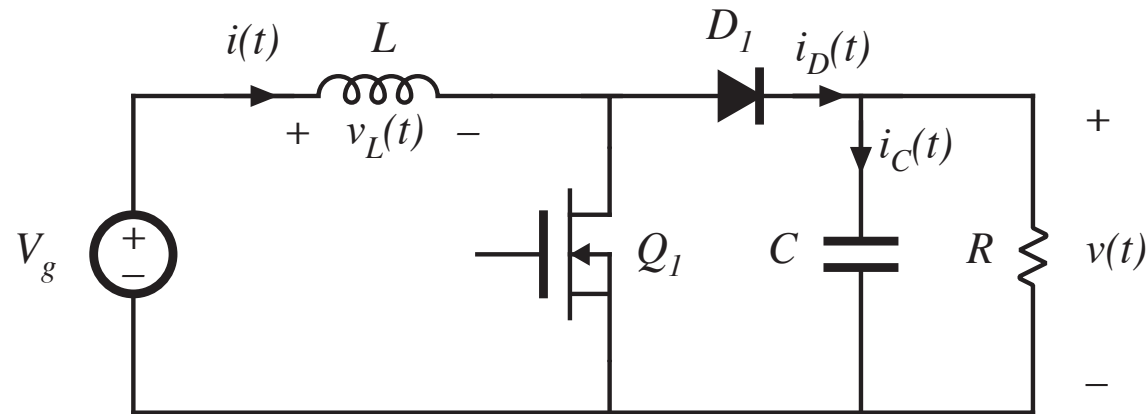


## 5.3. Boost converter example



Mode boundary:

$$I > \Delta i_L \text{ for CCM}$$

$$I < \Delta i_L \text{ for DCM}$$

Previous CCM soln:

$$I = \frac{V_g}{D'^2 R} \quad \Delta i_L = \frac{V_g}{2L} DT_s$$

# Mode boundary

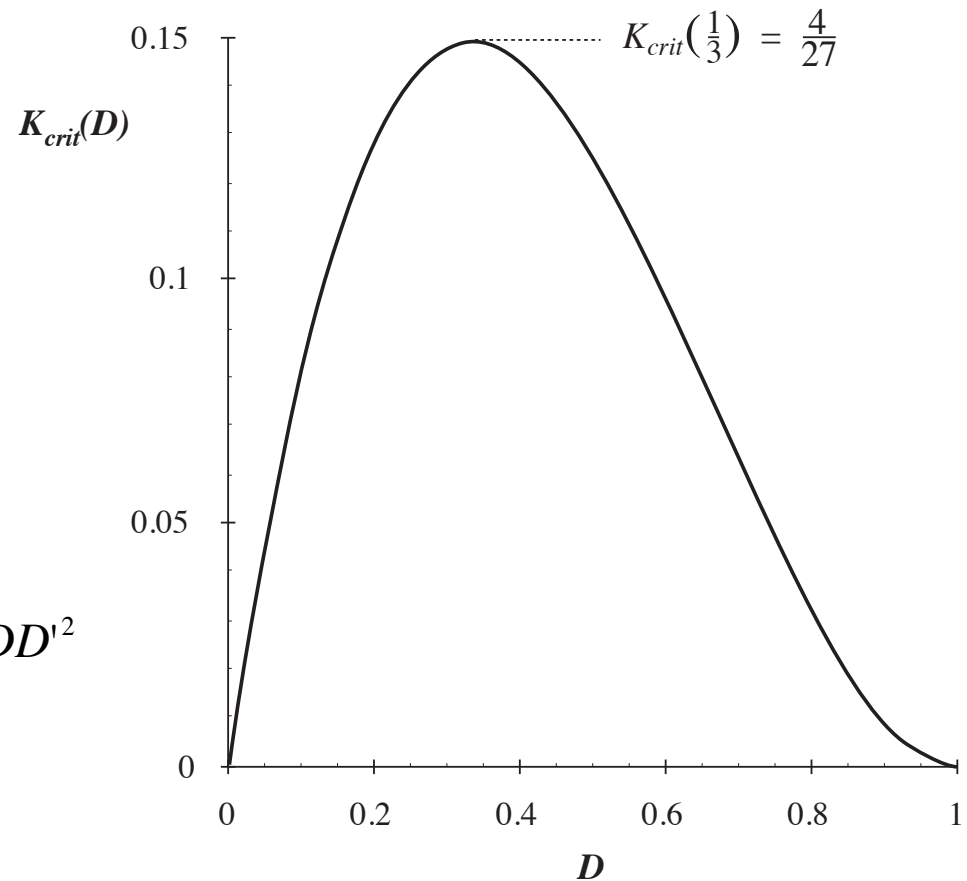
$$\frac{V_g}{D'^2 R} > \frac{DT_s V_g}{2L} \quad \text{for CCM}$$

$$\frac{2L}{RT_s} > DD'^2 \quad \text{for CCM}$$

$$K > K_{crit}(D) \quad \text{for CCM}$$

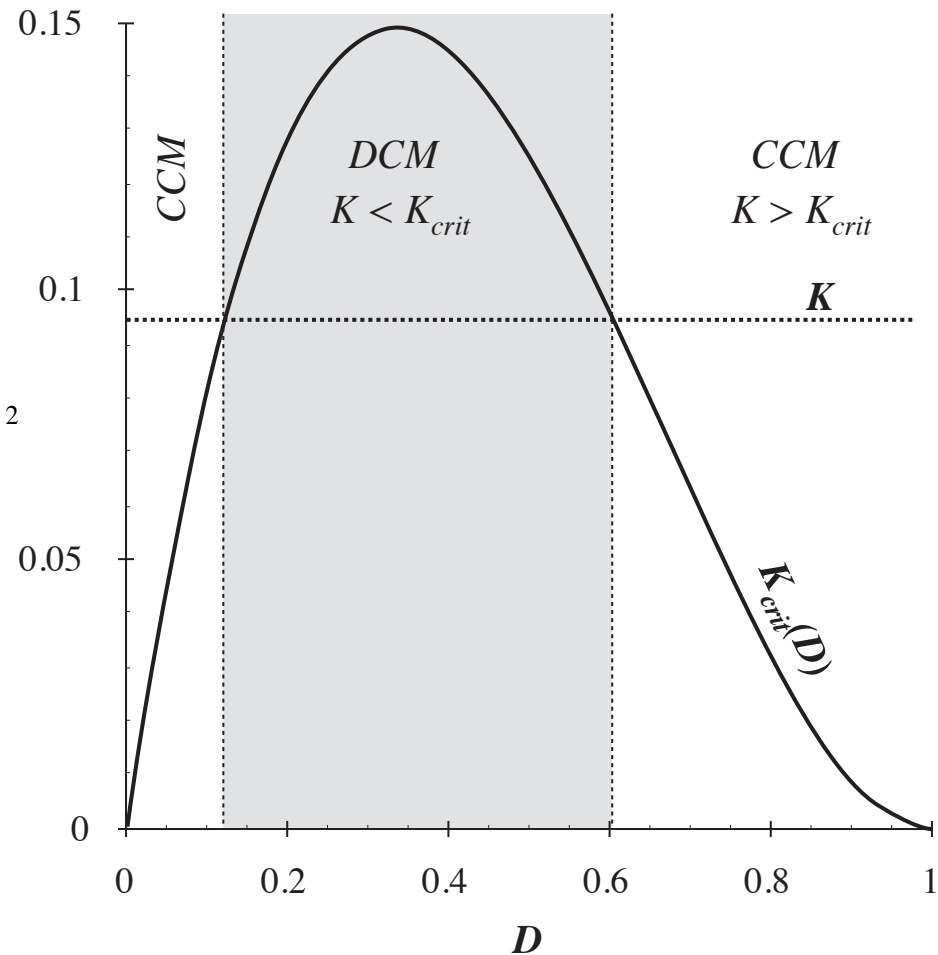
$$K < K_{crit}(D) \quad \text{for DCM}$$

$$\text{where } K = \frac{2L}{RT_s} \quad \text{and} \quad K_{crit}(D) = DD'^2$$

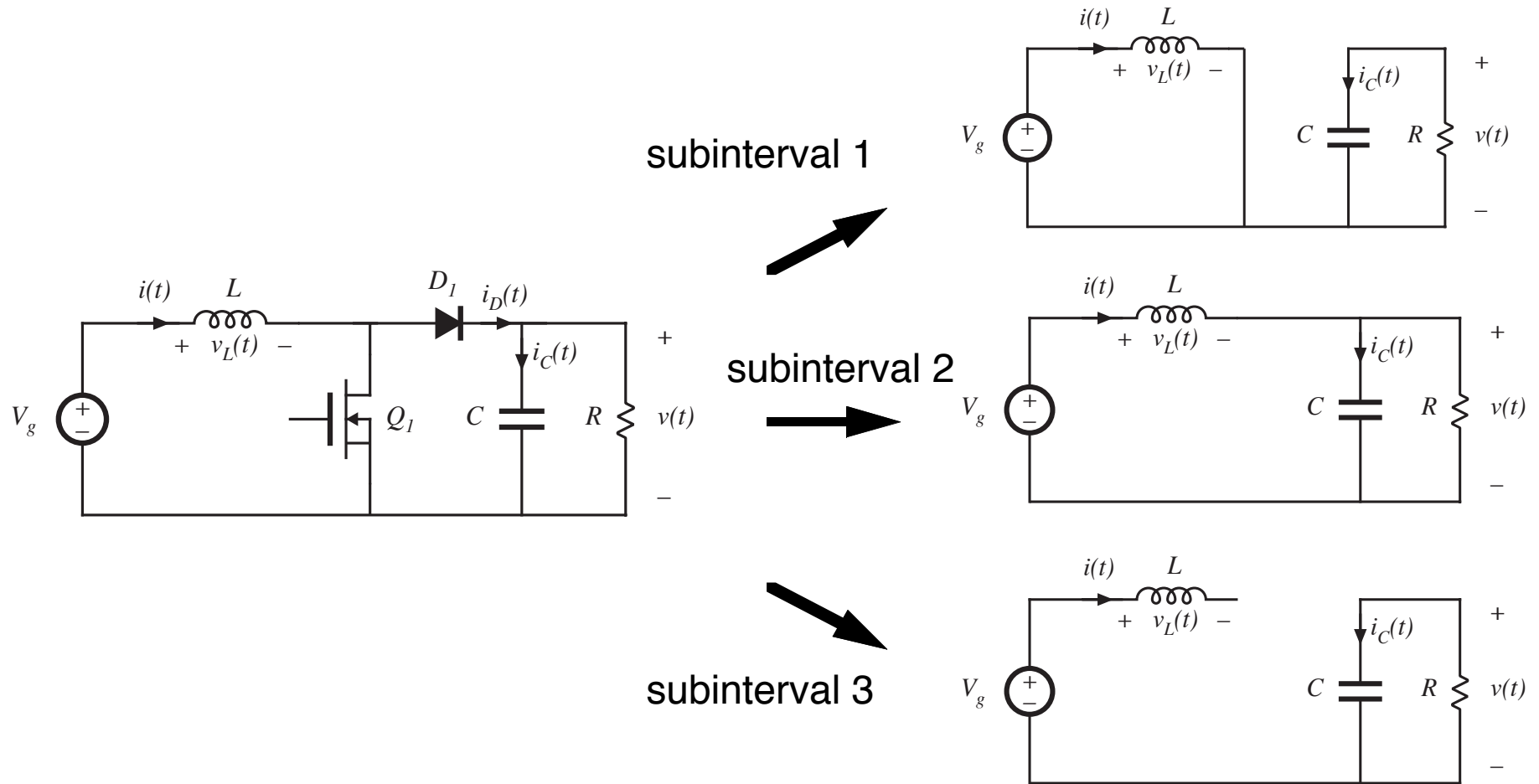


# Mode boundary

$K > K_{crit}(D)$  for CCM  
 $K < K_{crit}(D)$  for DCM  
 where  $K = \frac{2L}{RT_s}$  and  $K_{crit}(D) = DD'^2$



# Conversion ratio: DCM boost

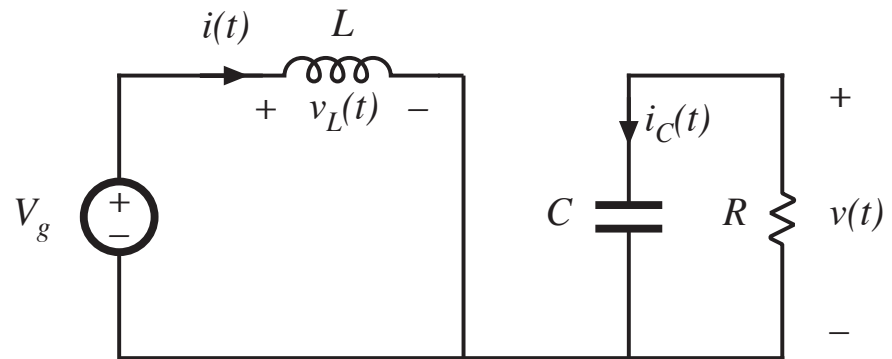


# Subinterval 1

$$v_L(t) = V_g$$
$$i_C(t) = -v(t) / R$$

Small ripple approximation  
for  $v(t)$  (but not for  $i(t)$ ):

$$v_L(t) \approx V_g$$
$$i_C(t) \approx -V / R$$



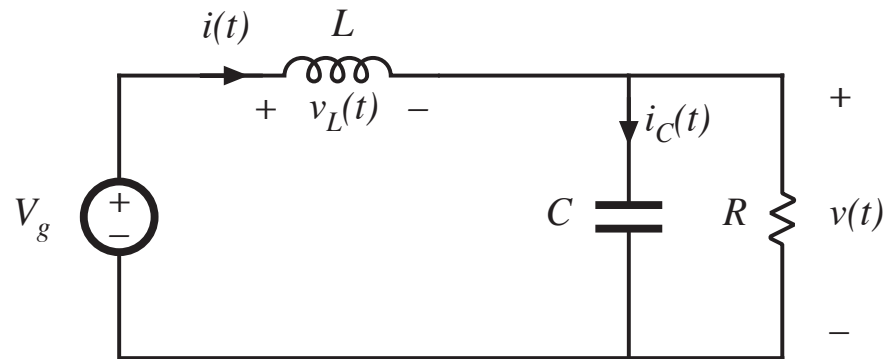
$$0 < t < D_1 T_s$$

## Subinterval 2

$$v_L(t) = V_g - v(t)$$
$$i_C(t) = i(t) - v(t) / R$$

Small ripple approximation  
for  $v(t)$  but not for  $i(t)$ :

$$v_L(t) \approx V_g - V$$
$$i_C(t) \approx i(t) - V / R$$



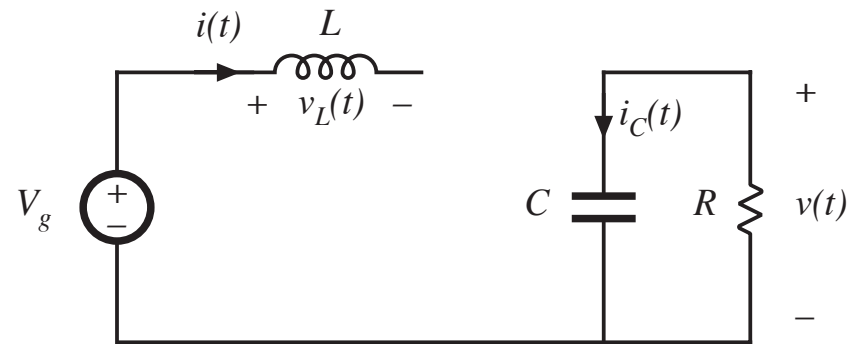
$$D_1 T_s < t < (D_1 + D_2) T_s$$

## Subinterval 3

$$v_L = 0, \quad i = 0$$
$$i_C(t) = -v(t) / R$$

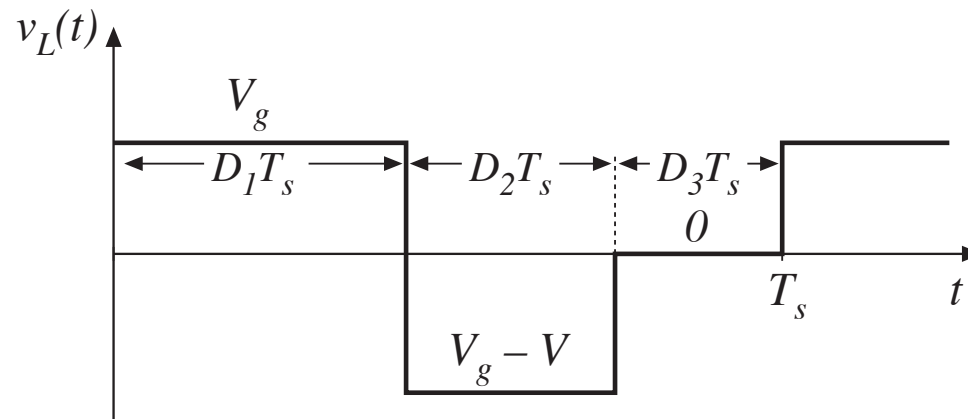
Small ripple approximation:

$$v_L(t) = 0$$
$$i_C(t) = -V / R$$



$$(D_1 + D_2)T_s < t < T_s$$

# Inductor volt-second balance



Volt-second balance:

$$D_1 V_g + D_2 (V_g - V) + D_3 (0) = 0$$

Solve for  $V$ :

$$V = \frac{D_1 + D_2}{D_2} V_g$$

note that  $D_2$  is unknown



# Capacitor charge balance

node equation:

$$i_D(t) = i_C(t) + v(t) / R$$

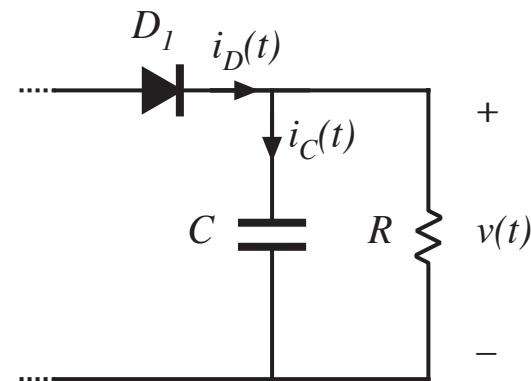
capacitor charge balance:

$$\langle i_C \rangle = 0$$

hence

$$\langle i_D \rangle = V / R$$

must compute dc component of diode current and equate to load current (for this boost converter example)



# Inductor and diode current waveforms

peak current:

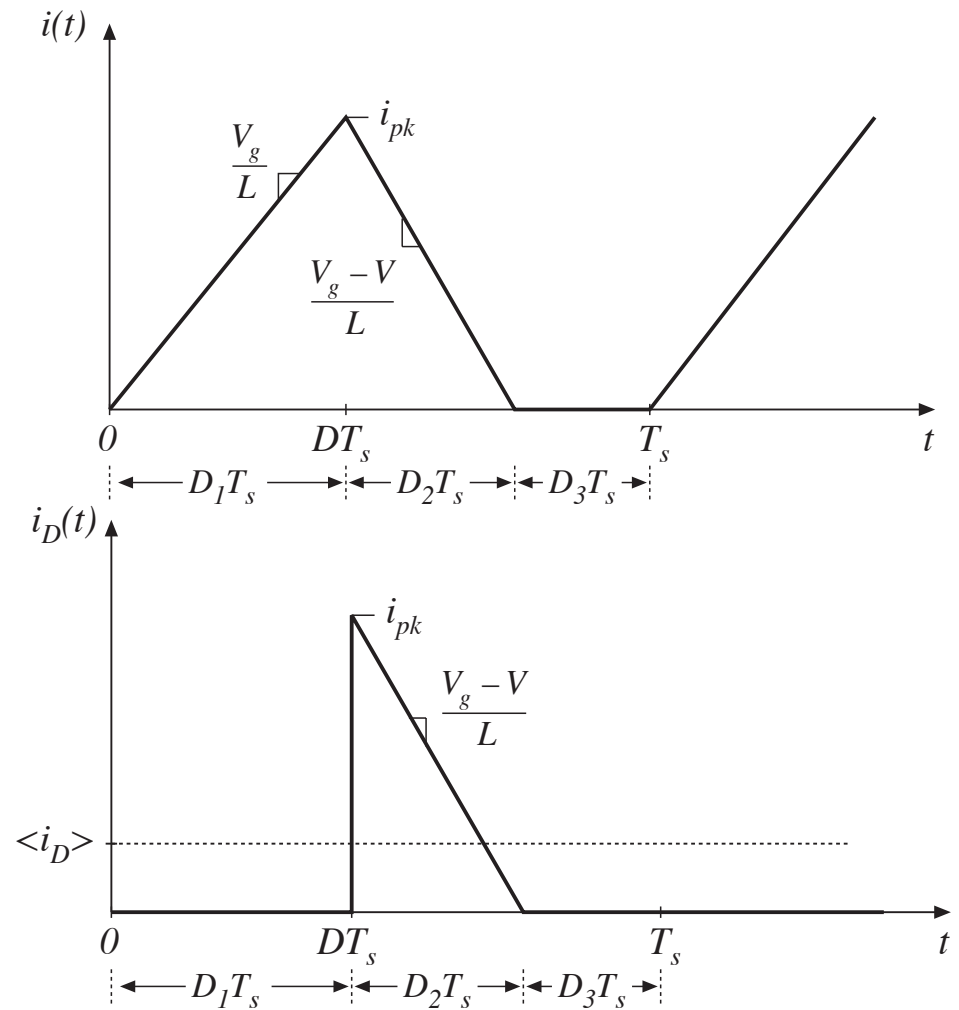
$$i_{pk} = \frac{V_g}{L} D_1 T_s$$

average diode current:

$$\langle i_D \rangle = \frac{1}{T_s} \int_0^{T_s} i_D(t) dt$$

triangle area formula:

$$\int_0^{T_s} i_D(t) dt = \frac{1}{2} i_{pk} D_2 T_s$$



## Equate diode current to load current

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average diode current:

$$\langle i_D \rangle = \frac{1}{T_s} \left( \frac{1}{2} i_{pk} D_2 T_s \right) = \frac{V_g D_1 D_2 T_s}{2L}$$

equate to dc load current:

$$\frac{V_g D_1 D_2 T_s}{2L} = \frac{V}{R}$$

## Solution for $V$

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Two equations and two unknowns ( $V$  and  $D_2$ ):

$$V = \frac{D_1 + D_2}{D_2} V_g \quad (\text{from inductor volt-second balance})$$

$$\frac{V_g D_1 D_2 T_s}{2L} = \frac{V}{R} \quad (\text{from capacitor charge balance})$$

Eliminate  $D_2$ , solve for  $V$ . From volt-sec balance eqn:

$$D_2 = D_1 \frac{V_g}{V - V_g}$$

Substitute into charge balance eqn, rearrange terms:

$$V^2 - VV_g - \frac{V_g^2 D_1^2}{K} = 0$$

## Solution for $V$

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$$V^2 - VV_g - \frac{V_g^2 D_1^2}{K} = 0$$

Use quadratic formula:

$$\frac{V}{V_g} = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{1 + 4D_1^2 / K}}{2}$$

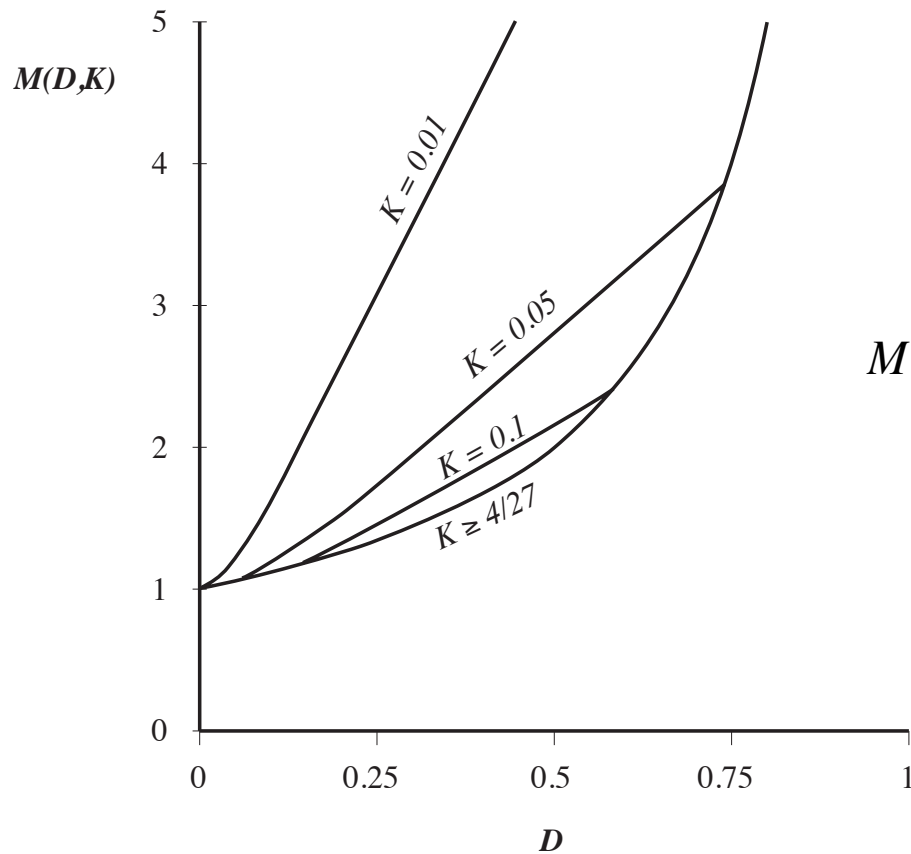
Note that one root leads to positive  $V$ , while other leads to negative  $V$ . Select positive root:

$$\frac{V}{V_g} = M(D_1, K) = \frac{1 + \sqrt{1 + 4D_1^2 / K}}{2}$$

where  $K = 2L / RT_s$   
valid for  $K < K_{crit}(D)$

Transistor duty cycle  $D = \text{interval } 1 \text{ duty cycle } D_1$

# Boost converter characteristics



$$M = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{1-D} & \text{for } K > K_{crit} \\ \frac{1 + \sqrt{1 + 4D^2 / K}}{2} & \text{for } K < K_{crit} \end{cases}$$

Approximate  $M$  in DCM:

$$M \approx \frac{1}{2} + \frac{D}{\sqrt{K}}$$

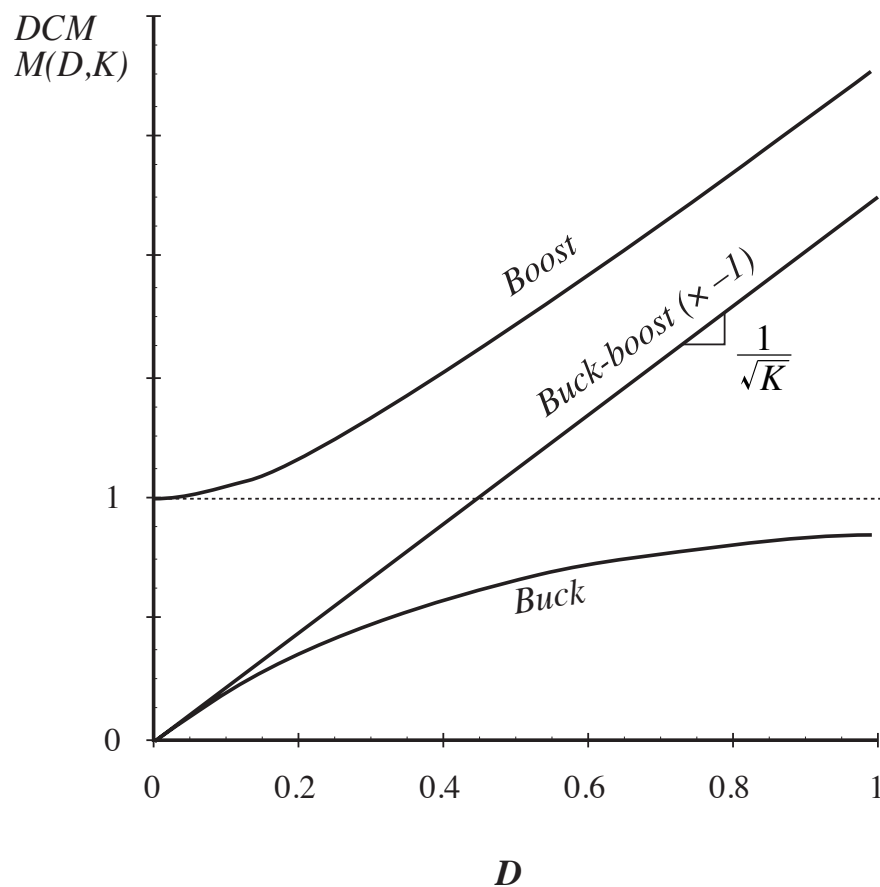
# Summary of DCM characteristics

Table 5.2. Summary of CCM-DCM characteristics for the buck, boost, and buck-boost converters

Converter	$K_{crit}(D)$	DCM $M(D,K)$	DCM $D_2(D,K)$	CCM $M(D)$
Buck	$(1 - D)$	$\frac{2}{1 + \sqrt{1 + 4K / D^2}}$	$\frac{K}{D} M(D,K)$	$D$
Boost	$D (1 - D)^2$	$\frac{2}{1 + \sqrt{1 + 4D^2 / K}}$	$\frac{K}{D} M(D,K)$	$\frac{1}{1 - D}$
Buck-boost	$(1 - D)^2$	$-\frac{D}{\sqrt{K}}$	$\sqrt{K}$	$-\frac{D}{1 - D}$

with  $K = 2L / RT_s$ . DCM occurs for  $K < K_{crit}$ .

# Summary of DCM characteristics



- DCM buck and boost characteristics are asymptotic to  $M = 1$  and to the DCM buck-boost characteristic
- DCM buck-boost characteristic is linear
- CCM and DCM characteristics intersect at mode boundary. Actual  $M$  follows characteristic having larger magnitude
- DCM boost characteristic is nearly linear