UCC28513 questions, Alex W., 11/17/2022

- The boost stage design is based on UCC28513. The PFC stage works well up to 200-220Vac input. Above this voltage range there are significant distortions at the points where sinusoidal input voltage reaches to its positive and negative peaks
- Output voltage is 385Vac
- Input voltage range is 85-264Vac; 50/60Hz
- The load on DC link output is 120W max
- Boost stage switching frequency is 277kHz
- Verified that the Vcc aux supply and Vref are stable
- Observed that the AC ripple on DC link goes up at around 200Vac but not sure it this is the reason or the result
- Observed that the duty cycle is about 70% at the peak sine wave at 85Vac but drops down to ~15% at the peaks of 220Vac at which point I start get distortions on the input current.
- The provided test results are at ~30W output power. It was observed that changing the load did not affect the behavior at around 220Vac.

<u>Questions:</u>

- 1. Based on the design values, what could potentially cause the distortions at the peak of sine waves at and above ~ 200Vac?
- 2. Fig. 36 on data sheet talks about max capacitance vs min duty cycle. What capacitor is referred in Fig 36?



RefDes on data sheet	RefDes in design	values
R1	R47+R50	766K
R2	R43	0.22
R8/R12	R4/R9	3.16K
R3	R44+R49	1124К
R4	R60	22.1k
C1	C32	150uF
L1	L2	660uH
R13	R10	15.8K
C6	C6	680pF
C7	C8	150pF
R15	R11	30.1K
C8	С9	4.7uF
C10	C1	1.5uF
C11	C2	150nF
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R14	R13	10K
R7	R5	1.18K
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No distortions at 200Vac input, displacement between current and voltage is probably caused by the input capacitors on EMI filter











Input voltage (<u>Vrms</u>)	Vff on pin19 w/ DiffProbe (Vdc)	Vaout on pin1 w/ DVM (Vdc)	0 < i (t) < 500 A
85	1.80	2.000	$0 \leq T_{IAC}(t) \leq 500 \mu A,$
120	2.56	1.977	$0 \le V_{VAOUT}(t) \le 5 V,$
150	3.24	1.967	$1.4 \text{ V} \leq \text{V}_{\text{VEE}} \leq \text{V}_{\text{VEE}} - 1.4 \text{ V}$
200	4.38	1.933	VEF VICEF
220	4.81	1.900	



- Vff increases proportionally and <u>Vaout</u> drops inversely as Vac increases.
- Vaout seems to start low at 2V and not varying within its full range of 0-5V

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At the peak of sinewaves when distortion starts, the duty cycle of boost MOSFET is about 15%



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At the peak of sinewaves at 120Vac, the duty cycle of boost MOSFET is about 54%



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At 220Vac when distortions starts, the rectified input voltage (used for Vff) is shown below



Referring to Fig 36 in the data sheet of UCC28513DW, what specific capacitor controls the min duty cycle?



Note: The capacitor on Isense2 affects the min duty cycle on GATE2 output, PFC is on GATE1 output











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R4	R60	22.1k		-
C1	C32	150uF		-
L1	L2	660uH		-
R13	R10	15.8K	55K (56K//3.3Meg)	Also tried 15.8k
C6	C6	680pF	233pF (200p//33p)	
С7	C8	150pF	33pF	
R15	R11	30.1K		
C8	С9	4.7uF		
C10	C1	1.5uF		
C11	C2	150nF		
R21	R1	48.7K		
R14	R13	10K		
R7	R5	1.18K	1.50K (3.3K//2.74K)	
С9	C4	1uF		25











There are only two current probes at the moment:

Ch1: Fluke 80i-110S has limited bandwidth and is used to measure 60Hz input current only.

Ch4: Rogowski probe, CWTUM-015-B, is used to measure the high frequency switching ripple only.

In addition, a $100m\Omega$ and $20m\Omega$ sense resistor was connected in series with inductor and the voltage across the resistor was measured with a differential probe. However, doing so resulted in further instability and distortion and therefore abandoned.









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At the peak of 220Vac input voltage and ~25W external load, the instantaneous value of input voltage is 312V, peak input current is ~300mA (location B), duty cycle is about 14.2%



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Measuring inductor current vs gate voltages, 12/25 Ch1: Fluke 80i-110S, which has limited bandwidth Ch4: Tek TCPA300 w/ TCP312 Current probe

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Location B details:

At the positive peaks of input voltage, the switching frequency is reduced to about ½ and this results in "flat top" on the current waveform. After that the switching frequency is raised and around that time the current surge is observed



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At 230Vac input, 25W external load, the view of locations A (negative peak) and location B (positive peak)



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Location A: Current probe on Ch1 has low BW and is used to measure input current only.



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Observations:

- 1) Location A: While the supply voltage ramps up toward the negative peak, the switching frequency is reduced significantly and then MOSFET shuts down for a while at the negative peak. It seems like the inductor current is relatively small and this may not be current limit initiated turn off.
- 2) Location B: While the supply voltage ramps up toward the positive peak, the switching frequency is reduced by about 50%. It is observed this corresponds to "flat top" on supply current. At around the peak of supply voltage, the switching frequency suddenly snaps back to normal frequency and this corresponds to surge in peak of the supply voltage. It is not clear if this phenomenon is caused by activation of current limit.
- 3) Adding an other 68nF cap after rectifier did not improve the issue
- 4) Adding 100nF cap across R5 (R7 on data sheet) did not improve the issue

РСВ	RefDes on datasheet	RefDes in design	12/11/2022 Fci=44kHz, Gci=5.6	12/25/2022 Fci=11kHz, Gci=1.6
PSB- 04	R1	R47, R50	383K	383K
	R2	R43	0.44	0.44
	L1	L2	660uH	660uH
PFC- 03	R8, R12	R4, R9	2.74K	2.74К
	R13	R10	15.8K	4.7К
	C6	C6	233pF (200p//33p)	3.3n
	С7	C8	33pF	150pF
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	C8	C9	4.7uF	4.7uF
	C10	C1	1.5uF	1.5uF
	C11	C2	150nF	150nF
	R21	R1	48.7K	48.7K
	R14	R13	10K	10K
	R7	R5	1.50K (3.3K//2.74K) +100pF	1.50K (3.3K//2.74K) + 100pF
	С9	C4	1uF	1uF

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