

# EE-463 STATIC POWER CONVERSION-I

## Snubbers and Protection Circuits

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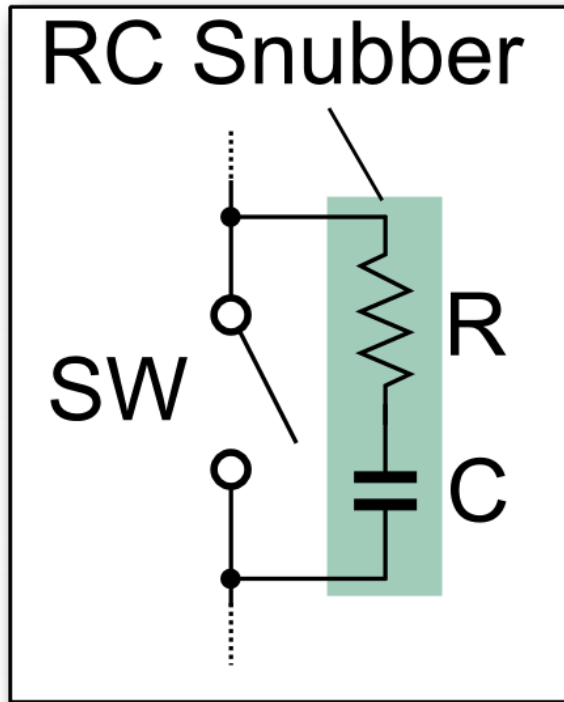
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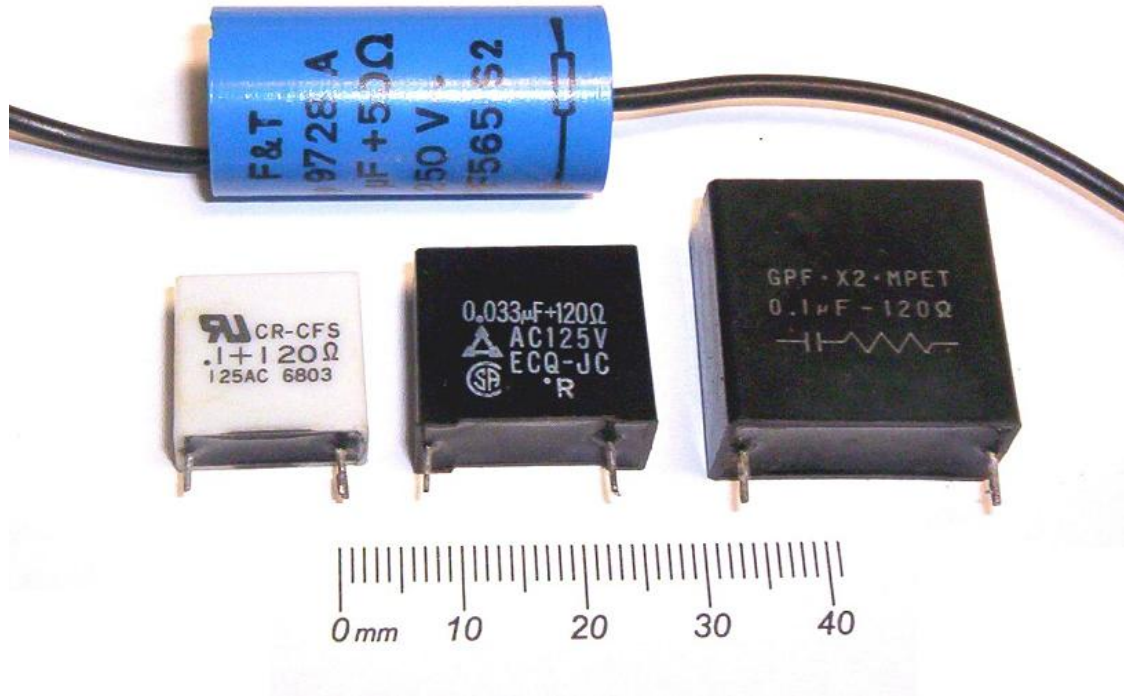
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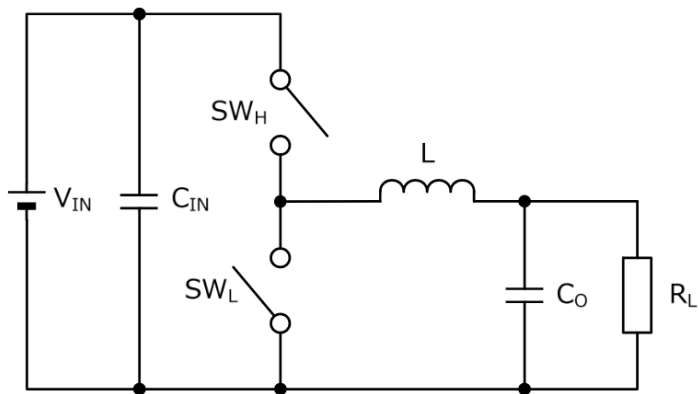
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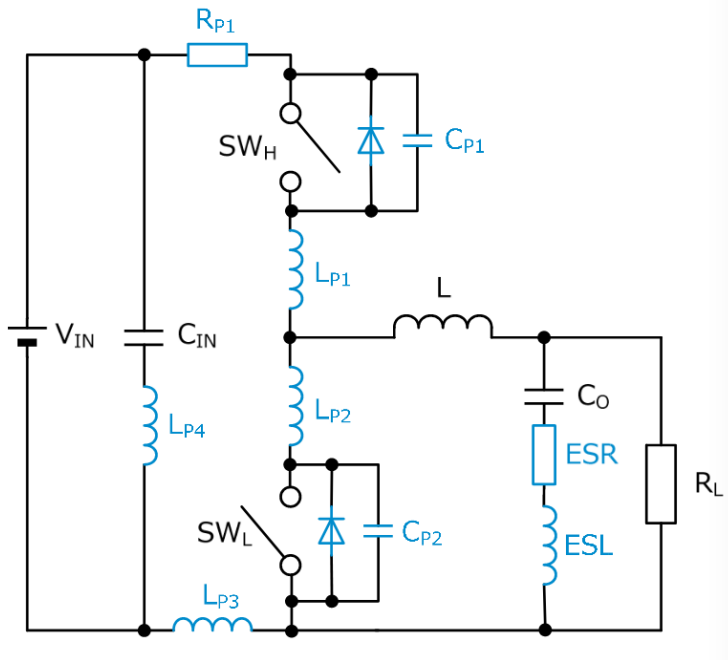
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Example: [Synchronous Buck](#)

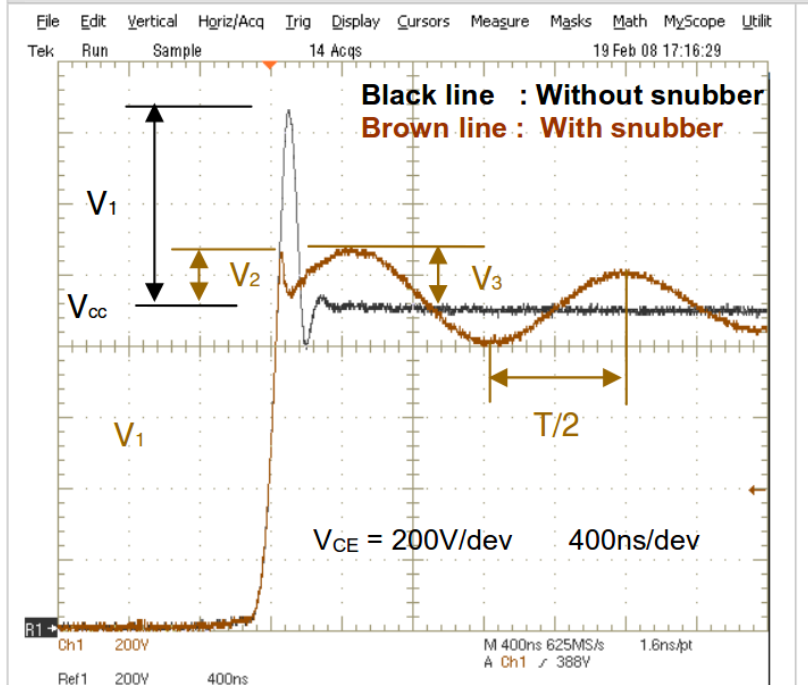


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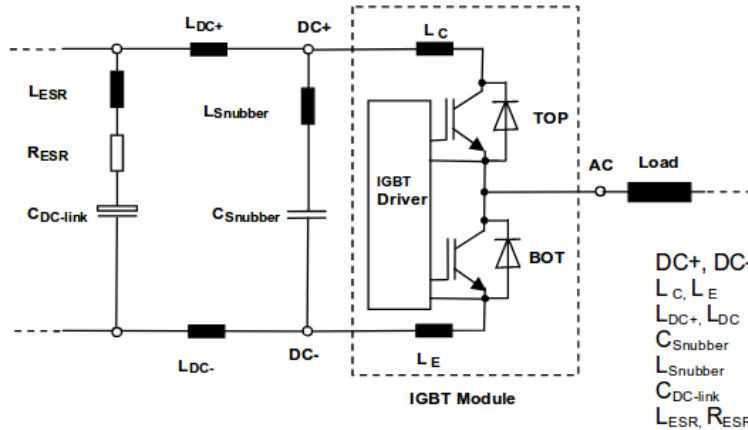


# Voltage Waveforms (For IGBT)

Fig. 2 Typical waveform of  $V_{CE}$  voltage on IGBT at switching off



# Equivalent Circuit for IGBT



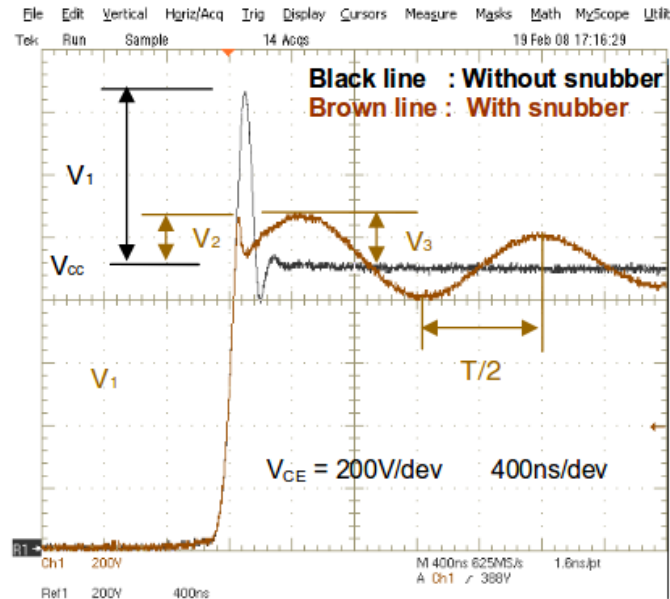
DC+, DC-, AC  
 $L_C, L_E$   
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 $C_{Snubber}$   
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 $C_{DC-link}$   
 $L_{ESR}, R_{ESR}$

IGBT module terminals  
 IGBT module parasitic inductance  
 Bus bar parasitic inductance  
 Snubber capacitor capacitance  
 Snubber capacitor series inductance  
 DC-link capacitor capacitance  
 DC-link capacitor parasitics



# Snubber Equations

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$$\Delta V_1 = \Sigma L \cdot di_c / dt$$

$$\Delta V_2 = (L_C + L_E + L_{Snubber}) \cdot di_c / dt$$

$$\Delta V_3 \leq \sqrt{\frac{L_{DC-Link} \cdot i_c^2}{C_{Snubber}}}$$

$$f = \frac{1}{T} = \frac{1}{2 \cdot \pi \cdot \sqrt{L_{DC-Link} \cdot C_{Snubber}}}$$

$$\Sigma L = L_C + L_E + L_{DC+} + L_{DC-} + L_{ESR}$$

$$L_{DC-Link} = L_{DC+} + L_{DC-} + L_{ESR}$$

# RC Snubber Applications Notes

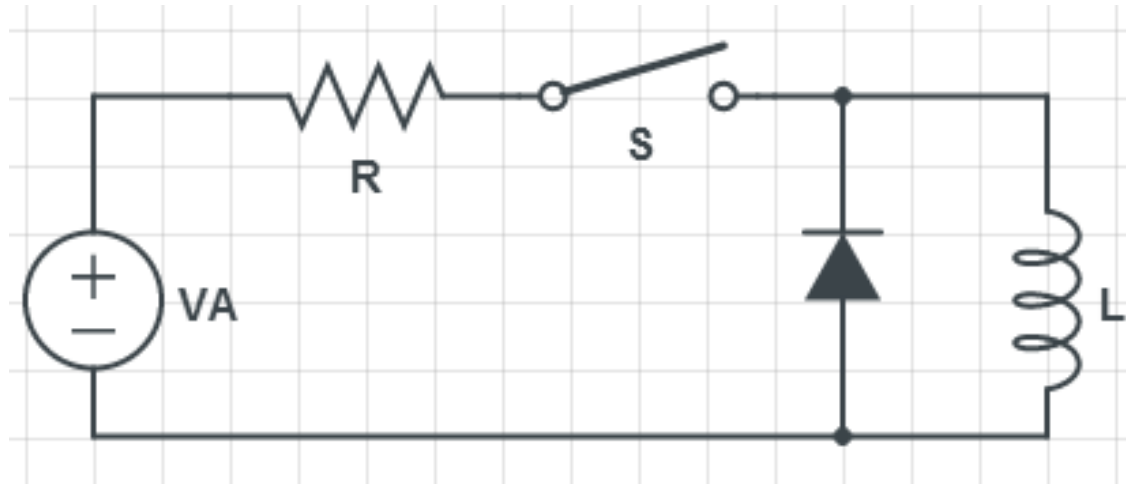
# RC Snubber Applications Notes

- [Designing RC Snubber Networks](#)
- [Calculate R-C Snubber in 7 Steps](#)
- [Snubber Circuit for Buck Converter](#)
- [IGBT Snubber Capacitors](#)

# Diode Snubbers

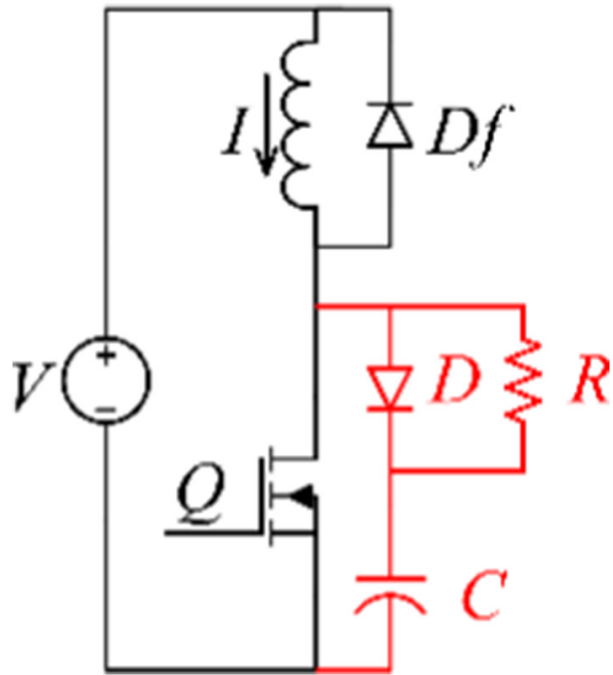
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Freewheeling diode is a very basic snubber



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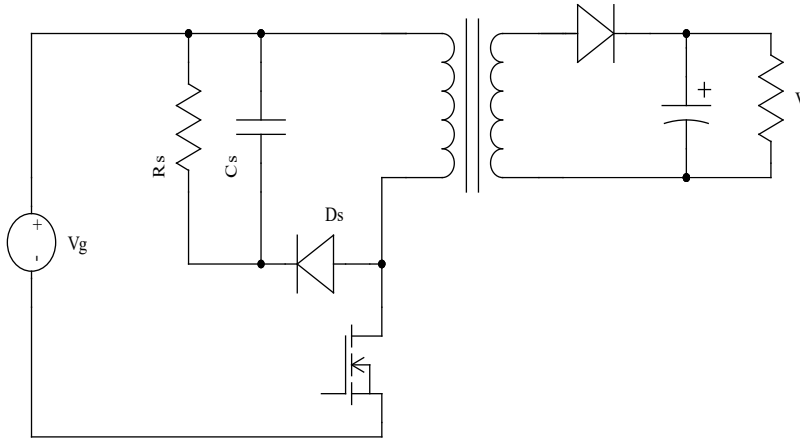


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**Absorbs the current in the leakage inductor**

[RCD Application Note](#), [RCD Design](#)

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