



Article Constant-Current and Constant-Voltage Output for Single-Switch WPT System with Composite Shielding Structure

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Abstract: With the development of wireless power transfer (WPT), the wireless charging has become a research hotspot. This paper proposes a novel single-switch hybrid compensation topology, which can change the compensation network to realize the constant-current (CC) and constant-voltage (CV) output. The zero voltage switching (ZVS) margin can be designed to increase the stability of the system. In addition, the magnetic coupler adopts a composite shielding structure composed of ferrite, nanocrystalline, and aluminium foil. The composite shielding structure has a better shielding effect on magnetic flux leakage, and its weight is lighter. The composite shielding structure is expected to be used in the wireless charging system of electric vehicles (EVs). Finally, an experimental prototype is built to verify the theoretical analysis, and the maximum efficiency can reach 91.4%.

Keywords: wireless charging; soft-switching; constant-current; constant-voltage; electric vehicles



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1. Introduction

With the development of wireless power transfer (WPT), some WPT products have gradually come into people's vision and received great attention. There are mainly two types of WPT systems: Near-field (non-radiative) and far-field (radiative) WPT systems [1,2]. The characteristic of far-field transmission is that the microwave radiation can exceed RF safety limits, making it less than ideal for applications. Near-field WPT can provide a high-efficiency system and has a stringent requirement on the RF limits. The near-field technique is more suitable for consumer electronic devices. The near-field WPT technology has the advantages of safety, reliability, and convenience [3,4], which can be used in different applications. For example, there are wireless charging solutions for electric vehicles (EVs) [5–7], drones [8,9], and implanted biomedical devices [10–12].

In the WPT system, the topologies are mainly divided into full-bridge inverters, halfbridge inverters, and single-switch inverters [13–15]. The topology of the single-switch circuit is shown in Figure 1. Compared with the full-bridge and half-bridge circuit [16–19], the single-switch circuit avoids the shoot-through of power switches in this topology, and the reliability of the WPT system is improved.

In addition, the battery charging generally adopts constant-current (CC) and constantvoltage (CV) charging [20,21]. In order to achieve the CC and CV output, three methods are used. The first method is to add the dc/dc converter behind the secondary-side rectifier, where the CC and CV output are controlled [22,23]. The second method is to change the switching frequency of MOSFETs in the inverter bridge. The authors in [24] proposed the double-sided LCC compensation network. The CV or CC output can be realized by changing the switching frequency without changing the circuit parameters. This topology is suitable for the wireless charging of batteries. In the single-switch circuit, the P-CLCL compensation network and frequency modulation control are used to achieve the high precision CC and CV output [25]. The third method is to control the working state of MOSFETs or relays. The switching of hybrid topologies was studied to achieve the CC and CV output [26–28]. In order to reduce the cost of the circuit and keep the resonant frequency unchanged, this paper proposes a method to realize the CC and CV output by switching the compensation network only at the secondary-side in the proposed topology, based on the single-switch circuit. In addition, with the increasing number of WPT products in the market, the problem of electromagnetic interference has gradually attracted the attention of users. In addition, this paper discussed the composite shielding structure, which is composed of ferrite, nanocrystalline, and aluminium foil.

The constant-current and constant-voltage charging curves of a lithium-ion battery are shown in Figure 2. Here, the I_{CC} is the charging current in CC mode, the V_{CV} is the charging voltage in CV mode, and the I_{min} is the cut-off charging current. Moreover, I_B is the variation trend of the battery current, and V_B is the variation trend of the battery voltage.



Figure 1. The topology of the single-switch circuit.



Figure 2. Constant-current and constant-voltage charging curves of a lithium-ion battery.

The rest of this article is organized as follows. A novel single-switch hybrid compensation topology is proposed, and the compensation networks of the CC and CV modes are analyzed in Section 2. In Section 3, the equivalent input AC voltage is calculated theoretically, then the zero voltage switching (ZVS) margin is designed, and thereafter, the CC and CV gain curves and the sensitivity of circuit parameters are analyzed. In Section 4, the magnetic coupler and circuit parameters are designed. An experimental prototype is built to verify the theoretical analysis in Section 5. The output current is 4A in CC mode, and the output voltage is 48V in CV mode. In addition, the output characteristics of constant-current and constant-voltage modes are analyzed, respectively. Finally, Section 6 concludes this article.

2. Analysis Compensation Network

As shown in Figure 1, C_p is the resonant capacitance at the primary-side. The primary side can be regarded as the P compensation network, where U_{dc} is the input DC voltage, Q is MOSFET, and L_p and L_s are the self-inductances of the transmitting coil and receiving coil, respectively. In addition, M is the mutual inductance between the two coils, $D_1 - D_4$ are four diodes to form the rectifier bridge, C_o is the output filter capacitor, and R_L is the DC output load. The secondary-side compensation network can be designed according to the requirements of the output.

When the compensation network of single-switch circuit is analyzed, Figure 1 can be

simplified as Figure 3. Here, U_{in} is the equivalent AC voltage input to the compensation network, which is determined by the voltage waveform of C_p . By applying Thévenin's and Norton's theorems, Figure 3a can be simplified as Figure 3b, and $L_T = L_s - M^2/L_p$ is defined.



Figure 3. Analysis of equivalent circuit. (a) Equivalent circuit model; (b) simplified circuit model.

To realize the constant-current and constant-voltage output in the single-switch circuit, the hybrid P-LC and P-S compensation network can be designed as shown in Figure 4a. When S_1 is connected to C_{s1} , the circuit can be regarded as the P-LC compensation with constant-current output characteristics. However, the design freedom of the loosely coupled transformer (LCT) is not high. When S_2 is connected to C_{s2} , the circuit can be regarded as the P-S compensation with constant-voltage output characteristics. In order to improve the design freedom of the loosely coupled transformer, as shown in Figure 4b, the hybrid P-LCC and P-S compensation network is proposed. C_{s1} and C_{s2} can be used to adjust the output current in constant-current mode. The secondary side compensation network is changed by two switches S_1 and S_2 . When both switches are turned on, the circuit is in constant-current mode, and the circuit can be regarded as the P-LCC compensation network. When both switches are turned off, and the circuit is in constant-voltage mode, the circuit can be regarded as the P-S compensation network.



Figure 4. Hybrid topology of single-switch circuit. (**a**) The hybrid P-LC or P-S compensation network; (**b**) the proposed hybrid P-LCC or P-S compensation network.

The equivalent circuit in constant-current mode is shown in Figure 5. Here, I_0 is the output current of the compensation network. As shown in Figure 5a, when switches S_1 and S_2 are turned on, C_{s1} and C_{s2} are connected in parallel, and the equivalent capacitance is defined as C_T . As shown in Figure 5b, L_{T1} and capacitor C_T are inductive after they are connected in series, and the equivalent inductance is defined as L_{T1} . In order to achieve the constant-current output, the equivalent inductance L_{T1} and C_{s3} resonate at frequency *f*. In this case, Figure 5b can be simplified as Figure 5c.



Figure Equivalent CC mode. 5. model in (a) Equivanetwork; lent compensation network; (b) Simplified compensation (c) Equivalent current source model.

The equivalent model in constant-voltage mode is shown in Figure 6. Here, U_0 is the output voltage of the compensation network. In this mode, switches S_1 and S_2 are turned off, similarly, when the equivalent inductance L_T , L_1 , and C_{s1} resonate at frequency *f*. In this case, Figure 6a can be simplified as Figure 6b.





From Figure 5, the following conditions should be satisfied in CC mode.

$$\begin{cases} \frac{1}{j\omega C_{\rm T}} = \frac{1}{j\omega (C_{\rm s1} + C_{\rm s2})} \\ j\omega L_{\rm T1} = j\omega (L_{\rm s} - M^2 / L_{\rm p}) + \frac{1}{j\omega C_{\rm T}} \\ \omega L_{\rm T1} = \frac{1}{\omega C_{\rm s3}} \end{cases}$$
(1)

where $\omega = 2\pi f$, f = 1/T, f is the working frequency of the system, T is the working period of the system. In constant-current mode, the output current can be expressed as:

$$\overset{\bullet}{I}_{\rm o} = \frac{j\omega C_{\rm T} U_{\rm in} M}{L_{\rm p} \left[-\omega^2 C_{\rm T} \left(L_{\rm s} - \frac{M^2}{L_{\rm p}} \right) + 1 \right] }$$
 (2)

It can be obtained from (2) that the output current in CC mode is independent of L_1 , and the value of C_T can be adjusted to change the output current. In order to make the

input impedance Z_T resistive in Figure 5b, the relationship between L_1 and C_{s3} can be expressed as:

$$\omega L_1 = \frac{1}{\omega C_{\rm s3}} \tag{3}$$

From Figure 6, the following condition should be satisfied in CV mode:

$$\omega \left[L_{\rm s} - \left(M^2 / L_{\rm p} \right) + L_1 \right] = \frac{1}{\omega C_{\rm s1}} \tag{4}$$

The output voltage in CV mode can be expressed as:

$$\dot{H}_{\rm o} = \frac{M\dot{U}_{\rm in}}{L_{\rm p}} \tag{5}$$

A full-bridge diode rectifier and capacitor filter are used to rectify the AC output current and filter the ripple voltage. The relationship between the output DC load current I_L and the peak AC current i_0 before rectification is as follows:

$$I_{\rm L} = \frac{2i_{\rm o}}{\pi} = \frac{2j\omega C_{\rm T} E_1 M}{\pi L_{\rm p} \left[-\omega^2 C_{\rm T} \left(L_{\rm s} - \frac{M^2}{L_{\rm p}} \right) + 1 \right]} \tag{6}$$

where E_1 is the fundamental peak value of the equivalent input voltage source. The relationship between the output DC load voltage V_L and the peak AC voltage v_o before rectification is as follows:

$$V_{\rm L} = \frac{\pi v_{\rm o}}{4} = \frac{\pi M E_1}{4L_{\rm p}} \tag{7}$$

The relationship between $R_{\rm L}$ and $R_{\rm eq}$ is as follows:

$$R_{\rm eq} = \frac{8}{\pi^2} R_{\rm L} \tag{8}$$

3. Calculation of Equivalent Input AC Voltage Source

For the single-switch circuit, the value of the AC voltage input to the compensation network is the voltage on the capacitor C_p . However, the voltage waveform of C_p is not a complete square wave. Here, the voltage waveform of C_p is composed of a rectangular wave and half sine wave. It is necessary to calculate the equivalent AC voltage input to the compensation network. The relevant voltage and current waveforms are shown in Figure 7. Here, u_{gs} is the driving signal of Q, i_{Lp} is the current of the transmitter, and u_{Cp} is the voltage of the capacitor C_p . In addition, u_{ds} is the voltage stress on the switch Q. The voltage waveform of C_p in one operating period can be divided into three stages. During 0 to t_2 , it is the conduction time of Q, and u_{Cp} is equal to the input DC voltage U_{dc} . During t_2 to t_6 , it is the blocking period of Q, and u_{Cp} can be regarded as the sine wave. During t_6 to t_7 , there is a current flowing through the anti-parallel diode of Q, which provides conditions for Q to realize ZVS. Moreover, u_{Cp} is equal to the input DC voltage U_{dc} , and the margin of ZVS is defined as D_1 .

Since C_p and the primary coil L_p are in parallel, $u_{Cp} = u_{Lp}$, u_{Lp} is the voltage of the primary coil L_p , and the average voltage of inductor is zero in one operating period. As shown in Figure 8, it is the waveform of u_{Lp} , where *E* is the maximum resonant voltage of C_p , and the expression of u_{Lp} in one operating period can be written as follows:

$$u_{Lp}(t) = \begin{cases} U_{dc} & (0 < t \le t_2) \\ U_{dc} - (E + U_{dc}) \sin \omega_1(t - t_2) & (t_2 < t \le t_6) \\ U_{dc} & (t_6 < t \le t_7) \end{cases}$$
(9)

where ω_1 is the angular frequency of the sinusoidal half wave, and ω_1 can be expressed as follows:

$$\omega_1 = \frac{\pi}{t_6 - t_2} = \frac{\pi}{(1 - D - D_{ZVS})T} \tag{10}$$



Figure 7. Relevant voltage and current operating waveforms.



Figure 8. The waveform of (a) The of waveform u_{Lp} . u_{Lp} in normal operation; (b) the waveform of in one u_{Lp} operating period.

Assuming $\Delta t = t_3 - t_2 = t_6 - t_5$, Δt can be expressed as follows:

$$\Delta t = \frac{\pi \cdot \arcsin\left(\frac{U_{\rm dc}}{E + U_{\rm dc}}\right)}{180^{\circ} \cdot \omega_1} \tag{11}$$

As shown in Figure 8a, the symbols t_3 , t_5 , and t_6 can be expressed as follows:

$$\begin{cases} t_3 = DT + \Delta t \\ t_5 = (1 - D_{ZVS})T - \Delta t \\ t_6 = (1 - D_{ZVS})T \end{cases}$$
(12)

As shown in Figure 8b, S_1 represents the yellow area, and S_2 represents the blue area, using the principle of volt-second balance, $S_1 = S_2$, S_1 and S_2 can be expressed as follows:

$$\begin{cases} S_1 = U_{dc}(D + D_{ZVS})T + 2\int_{t_2}^{t_2 + \Delta t} U_{dc} - (E + U_{dc})\sin\omega_1(t - t_2)dt \\ S_2 = \left| \int_{t_2 + \Delta t}^{(1 - D_{ZVS})T - \Delta t} U_{dc} - (E + U_{dc})\sin\omega_1(t - t_2)dt \right| \end{cases}$$
(13)

In order to realize ZVS of Q and improve the stability of the WPT system, setting the ZVS margin D_{ZVS} = 5%, the duty cycle D is fixed at 0.5. This paper sets the input DC

voltage as $U_{dc} = 96$ V, f = 85 kHz. Through the Mathcad software, the intersection of S_1 and S_2 can be obtained using Formula (12). As shown in Figure 9, the intersection of S_1 and S_2 is 240 V, in other words, E = 240 V. The above analysis provides a theoretical basis for the value of C_p . According to the value of E, the coefficients of Δt , t_3 , and t_5 can also be obtained.



Figure 9. The curves of S_1 and S_2 .

The peak voltage of Q is the sum of the peak voltage of C_p and the input DC voltage U_{dc} , U_{Qmax} is the peak voltage of Q, which can be expressed as:

$$U_{Q\max} = E + U_{dc} \tag{14}$$

The waveform of $u_{Lp}(t)$ can be decomposed by Fourier decomposition to obtain the fundamental amplitude. The expansion of Fourier series of $u_{Lp}(t)$ can be expressed as follows:

$$u_{Lp}(t) = a_0 + a_1 \cos \omega t + b_1 \sin \omega t + a_2 \cos 2\omega t + b_1 \sin 2\omega t + \dots$$

= $a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n \cos n\omega t + b_n \sin n\omega t)$ (15)

where a_0 , a_1 , and b_1 can be expressed as:

$$\begin{cases} a_0 = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^{(D+D_1)T} U_{dc} dt + \frac{1}{T} \int_{t_2}^{t_6} U_{dc} - (E + U_{dc}) \sin \omega_1 (t - t_2) dt \\ a_1 = \frac{2}{T} \int_0^{(D+D_1)T} U_{dc} \cos \omega t dt + \\ \frac{2}{T} \int_{t_2}^{t_6} U_{dc} - (E + U_{dc}) \sin \omega_1 (t - t_2) \cos \omega t dt \\ b_1 = \frac{2}{T} \int_0^{(D+D_1)T} U_{dc} \sin \omega t dt + \\ \frac{2}{T} \int_{t_2}^{t_6} U_{dc} - (E + U_{dc}) \sin \omega_1 (t - t_2) \sin \omega t dt \end{cases}$$
(16)

The expansion of Fourier series of $u_{Lp}(t)$ can also be expressed as:

$$u_{Lp}(t) = E_0 + E_1 \cos(\omega t + \varphi) + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} E_n \cos(n\omega t + \varphi_n)$$
(17)

where $E_0 = a_0$, $E_1 = \sqrt{a_1^2 + b_1^2}$, $\varphi = \arctan(-b_1/a_1)$. E_1 represents the fundamental amplitude, and E_0 represents the DC component.

For the single-switch circuit, when the duty cycle D is fixed, the values of C_p are mainly used to adjust the ZVS margin. From Figure 7, when the driving signal of Q turns off at t_2 , the C_p , L_e , and R_e will have a zero input response, and the range values of C_p can be determined from the perspective of energy attenuation. The simplified circuit model is shown in Figure 10. Here, the reflected impedances from the secondary to the primary can be expressed as Z_T , $Z_T = j\omega L_e + R_e$.



Figure 10. The simplified circuit model.

From Figure 10, it can be seen that $i_{Lp}(t_1) = 0$, and the charging time of L_p is equal to D_1T . It should be noted that $D_1 \le D$. $i_{Lp}(t)$ can be expressed as:

$$i_{Lp}(t) = \frac{U_{dc}}{R_e} \left(1 - e^{\frac{-R_e}{L_e}(t-t_1)} \right) (t_1 \le t \le t_2)$$
(18)

At time t_2 , the total energy stored by L_p and C_p can be expressed as:

$$W = \frac{1}{2}L_{\rm p}i_{L\rm p}(t_2)^2 + \frac{1}{2}C_{\rm p}U_{\rm dc}^2$$
(19)

At time t_4 , $i_{Lp} = 0$, the voltage value of C_p rises to the maximum. The rate of energy attenuation is $e^{\frac{-R_e}{L_e}}$, the time of energy attenuation is $(\frac{1-D-D_{ZVS}}{2})T$.

$$e^{\frac{-R_{\rm e}}{L_{\rm e}}(\frac{1-D-D_{\rm ZVS}}{2})T}W = \frac{1}{2}C_{\rm p}E^2$$
(20)

4. Simulation Verification

The waveforms of u_{ds} and u_{Cp} versus C_p values in Saber simulation are shown in Figure 11. It can be seen that with the increasing value of C_p , the maximum value of u_{ds} decreases gradually, and the ZVS margin D_{ZVS} decreases until it disappears.

The theoretical calculation in Section 3 provides the basis for the actual value of C_p . When the input DC voltage is 96 V and the switching frequency f is 85 kHz, in order to obtain a 5% ZVS margin, the peak voltage of C_p should be about 240 V. As shown in Figure 11b, when other circuit parameters are determined, the value of C_p is changed continuously in Saber simulation until the value of u_{Cp} is about 240 V, and $C_p = 64.5$ nF. When $C_p = 64.5$ nF, the ZVS margin measured in the simulation is about 5.5%, which is close to the design target of 5%, indicating that the calculation method is reliable in Section 3.

As shown in Figure 12, the fundamental amplitude after Fourier decomposition is 156.25 V, when C_P is set as 64.5 nF in Saber simulation. The fundamental amplitude after Fourier decomposition is 158.3 V by (17). The values of the calculation and the simulation results can match well, and thus, validate the correctness of the theoretical analysis in Section 3.



Figure 11. The waveforms of u_{ds} and u_{Cp} versus C_p values in Saber simulation. (a) The waveforms of u_{ds} versus C_p values; (b) the waveforms of u_{Cp} versus C_p values.



Figure 12. Fourier decomposition diagram of the voltage u_{Cp} in Saber simulation.

When all the circuit parameters are determined, the gain curve in the constant-current and constant-voltage modes can be drawn. As shown in Figure 13, it is the current gain curve in constant-current mode and the voltage gain curve in constant-voltage mode. In addition, it can be seen that the current gain value $G_i(f)$ at 85 kHz is 0.042, and the voltage gain value $G_v(f)$ at 85 kHz is 0.50. This indicates that when the input DC voltage is 96 V and the driving frequency is 85 kHz, the output current is about 4A, and the output voltage is approximately 48 V.

In order to analyze the influence of the components on the output current and voltage, the sensitivity of the circuit parameters is analyzed. As shown in Figure 14, it is the normalized output with varying normalized parameters. In addition, it can be seen from Figure 14a that L_1 has no effect on the output current in constant-current mode, and the values of C_T and C_{s3} can be used to adjust the output current. Therefore, the design freedom of the loosely coupled transformer is improved.



Figure 13. The curves of $G_v(f)$ and $G_i(f)$ versus driving frequency.



Figure 14. Normalized output with varying normalized parameters. (**a**) The curves in CC mode; (**b**) the curves in CV mode.

It can be seen from Figure 14b that the variations of L_1 are not sensitive to the output voltage in constant-voltage mode.

As shown in Figure 15, it is the composite shielding structure of magnetic coupler. The first layer of the shielding structure on the receiving coil side of the magnetic coupler is ferrite, the second layer is nanocrystalline strip, and the third layer is aluminium foil. As shown in Figure 16, it is the cross-sectional magnetic flux density cloud images of different shielding structures.



Figure 15. Composite shielding structure of magnetic coupler.

The traditional shielding layer structure can be divided into two types, one is a singlelayer shielding structure composed of ferrite, the other is a double-layer shielding structure composed of ferrite and aluminium plate. Compared with the double-layer shielding structure, the magnetic flux density in the air of single-layer shielding structure is higher. The double-layer shielding structure effectively reduces the magnetic field distribution in the non-working area, but the magnetic field in the working area is also reduced. The thickness of the iron-based nanocrystalline strip is 26 μ m, the resistivity is 137 μ O·cm, and the saturation magnetic induction is as high as 1.6 T.



Figure 16. Cross-sectional magnetic flux density cloud images of different shielding structures. (a) Single-layer shielding structure; (b) double-layer shielding structure; (c) composite shielding structure.

In the composite shielding structure, the magnetic field in the non-working area above the receiving coil decreases and the magnetic field in the working area increases. For the double-layer shielding structure, the shielding effect at 240 mm outside of the magnetic coupler is increased by 14.85%, and the coupling coefficient is increased by 28.64%. When the composite shielding structure is adopted, the shielding effect at 240 mm outside of the magnetic coupler is increased by 20.32%, and the coupling coefficient is increased by 37.86%. The parameters of different types of shielding structures for receiving coil, are shown in Table 1. Moreover, the flow chart of parameter design is shown in Figure 17. As long as the values of self-inductance and mutual inductance are determined in the singleswitch WPT system, the compensation network parameters can be designed according to the flow chart, and the method is universal.

Table 1. Parameters of different types of shielding structures for receiving coil.

Magnetic Coupler	Parameter	Value
single shield magnetic coupler	Thickness of ferrite	2.5 mm
double shield magnetic coupler	Thickness of ferrite Thickness of aluminium plate	2.5 mm 2 mm
composite shield magnetic coupler	Thickness of ferrite Thickness of aluminium foil Thickness of nanocrystalline strips	1 mm 0.1 mm 26 μm



Figure 17. Flow chart of parameter design.

5. Experimental Verification

The experimental platform is built through the experimental parameters in Table 2, due to the variation of self-inductance and mutual inductance in different shielding structures. The values of compensation capacitances should be different, and the compensation network parameters given in Table 2 are only designed on the basis of composite shielding structure. Here, it should be explained that the rated power experiment is only conducted in the composite shielding structure. Due to the changes of self-inductance and mutual inductance under other shielding structures, the output power will also change.

As shown in Figure 18, the experimental platform mainly includes the primary circuit, secondary circuit, magnetic coupler, oscilloscope, and electronic load. The theoretical analysis can be verified through the experimental platform. Q is SiC MOSFET (CGE1M120080), and the secondary rectifier diodes are DPG30C300HB. The system is powered by a dc voltage source. Metallized polypropylene film capacitors (CBB) are used as compensation components. The STM32F103 is used to generate switching signals for the inverter. The transmitters and the receiver were wound using Litz wires. The mutual inductance and self-inductance were measured by the Agilent 4263B LCR meter. The rocker switches S₁ and S₂ are used to switch the compensation networks to achieve the constant-current output or constant-voltage output.

Due to the limitation of the experimental conditions, the battery is replaced by the electronic load as the load. The electronic load (IT8616) can be used to change the resistance load to verify the output characteristics of the proposed topology.

Table 2.	Experimenta	l parameters.
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Symbol	Definition	Value
U _{dc}	Input DC voltage	96 V
$C_{\rm p}$	Resonant capacitance at the primary-side	64.5 nF
L_{p}	Inductance of the transmitter coil	29.6 µH
$\hat{L_s}$	Inductance of the receiving coil	29.6 µH
M	Mutual inductance between L_p and L_s	11.53 μH
C_{s1}	Resonant capacitance at the secondary-side	86.6 nF
C_{s2}	Resonant capacitance at the secondary-side	363.4 nF
C_{s3}	Resonant capacitance at the secondary-side	202.4 nF
L_1	Resonant inductance at the secondary-side	17.3 μH
f	Operating frequency	85 kHz
D	Duty cycle	0.5
$D_{\rm ZVS}$	ZVS margin	0.05



Figure 18. Exterior appearance of the proposed WPT prototype.

The control flowchart of the proposed WPT system for the CC and CV modes is shown in Figure 19. Here, u_{ref} is the critical reference voltage at the conversion point between the CC and CV modes and I_{min} is the lower limit of the output current. When the sampling voltage u_0 is lower than the reference value u_{ref} , the switching signals are generated to drive the MOSFET (Q), and the system is then in the CC mode.

When the sampling value u_0 is higher than or equal to the reference value u_{ref} , the CV mode is selected. With the load R_L increasing in CV mode, the output current decreases gradually. Considering the possible problems (high current or high voltage spikes) caused by the transition point, a switching method is proposed here to avoid the problems. A short period of time before and after the mode convention point, the PWM signal of Q is closed. Although it causes a short charging pause, for a few hours of the real charging process, this effect can be ignored.

In the experiments, the variation of the load resistance is 6–12 Ω in constant-current mode, and the variation of the load resistance is 12–24 Ω in constant-voltage mode. In order to verify that ZVS can be realized in the experiments, the ZVS waveforms were measured under the minimum and maximum load conditions. From Figure 20, the ZVS margin is 6.2% when $R_{\rm L}$ is set as 6 Ω , and the ZVS margin is 4.76% when $R_{\rm L}$ is set as 24 Ω . The design of ZVS margin ensures the ZVS of switch Q.



Figure 19. Control flowchart of the proposed WPT system for the CC and CV modes.

As shown in Figure 21, the performance of the proposed WPT system is tested when the load is suddenly changed. In Figure 21a,b, it can be found that the proposed WPT system can maintain a constant output current in the CC mode and a constant output voltage in the CV mode. Figure 22 gives the measured output currents and voltages versus the load. As shown in Figure 23, the maximum efficiency is 91.4% in CC mode, and the maximum efficiency is 90.2% in CV mode. As the current flowing through the coils increases when switching from the CC mode to the CV mode, the loss increases. Therefore, the efficiency sags at the mode transition.



Figure 20. ZVS waveforms under the minimum and maximum load conditions. (a) ZVS waveform of Q when $R_{\rm L} = 6 \Omega$; (b) ZVS waveform of Q when $R_{\rm L} = 24 \Omega$.



Figure 21. Dynamic performance of the proposed WPT system. (**a**) In CC mode, when the load changes from 6 to 12 Ω ; (**b**) in CV mode, when the load changes from 12 to 24 Ω .



Figure 22. Measured output characteristics versus the load.

As shown in Table 3, the performance of the work in this paper is compared with other existing single-switch circuit based WPT. It can be seen that the proposed topology with the composite shielding structure can achieve higher efficiency.



Figure 23. Diagram of efficiency versus the load.

Table 3. Performance comparison of single-switch.

Reference	Input Voltage	Output Power	CC/CV	Coupling Coefficient	Maximum Efficiency
Proposed	96 V	192 W	CC and CV	0.39	91.4%
[13]	150 V	60 W	CC and CV	N/A	78.2%
[14]	5 V	11 W	CV	0.564	86.4%
[15]	48 V	350 W	CV	0.30	87.1%

6. Conclusions

This paper presents a novel hybrid compensation topology of single-switch circuit to realize the constant-current and constant-voltage output. The properties of topology are verified by the experiments. Here, the output current is 4 A in constant-current mode, the output voltage is 48 V in constant-voltage mode, and the maximum efficiency is 91.4% in CC mode. It is simple to control the constant-current and constant-voltage output by changing the compensation network. In addition, soft-switching can be realized to reduce the switching loss. The proposed topology can be used as a battery charger, which has a good application value. The magnetic coupler adopts a composite shielding structure composed of ferrite, nanocrystalline strip, and aluminium foil. The advantages of the composite shielding structure in reducing the magnetic flux leakage are verified in simulation. Furthermore, the coupling effect between the coils is no less than the double-layer shielding structure.

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