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HALF-WAVE RECTIFIERS: The Basics of Analysis

3.1 Introduction

❖ Rectifier : AC to DC converter

- Produce DC voltage or current

- Single Phase Rectifier or Three Phase Rectifier from AC input source

❖ Diode Rectifier:

- Constant DC output

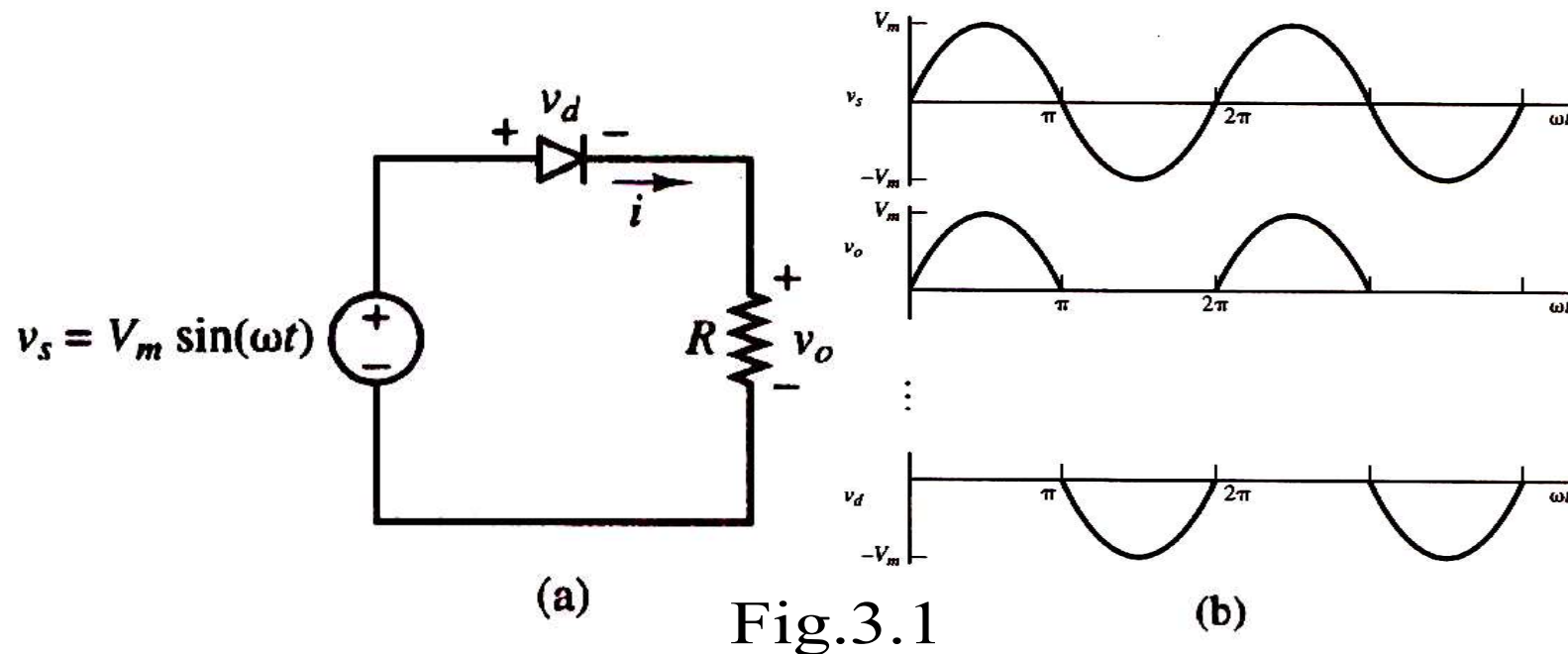
- Output waveform depends on type of the load

❖ Objectives:

- Introduce general analysis techniques for power electronics circuits

3.2 Resistive Load

- ❖ Diode Rectifier: Constant DC output voltage or current



- ❖ Positive half-wave: Forward biased \rightarrow Diode turn on (Forward voltage drop)
- ❖ Negative half-wave: Reverse biased \rightarrow Diode turn off (Peak reverse voltage)

3.2 Resistive Load

- ❖ Average Output Voltage : V_o

$$V_o = V_{avg} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^\pi V_m \sin(\omega t) d(\omega t) = \frac{V_m}{\pi}$$

- ❖ Average Current for pure resistive load:

$$I = \frac{V_o}{R} = \frac{V_m}{\pi R}$$

- ❖ Average Output Power dissipated in R :

$$P = I_{rms}^2 R = V_{rms}^2 / R$$

- ❖ RMS Output Voltage and Current

$$V_{rms} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^\pi [V_m \sin(\omega t)]^2 d(\omega t)} = \frac{V_m}{2}$$

$$I_{rms} = \frac{V_{rms}}{R} = \frac{V_m}{2R}$$

3.2 Resistive Load - Example 3-1

❖ Example 3-1 Half-wave Rectifier with Resistive Load

– Source 120V, 60Hz Sinusoidal wave, Resistive Load 5Ω

a) Average Current

$$I = \frac{V_o}{R} = \frac{V_m}{\pi R} = \frac{\sqrt{2}(120)}{\pi 5} = 10.8A$$

b) Average power absorbed by the load

$$V_{rms} = \frac{V_m}{2} = \frac{\sqrt{2}(120)}{2} = 84.9V$$

$$P = \frac{V_{rms}^2}{R} = \frac{84.9^2}{4} = 1440W$$

c) Power factor

$$pf = \frac{P}{S} = \frac{P}{V_{s,rms} I_{s,rms}} = \frac{1440}{(120)(17)} = 0.707$$

3.3 Resistive-Inductive Load

❖ Popular in industrial loads:

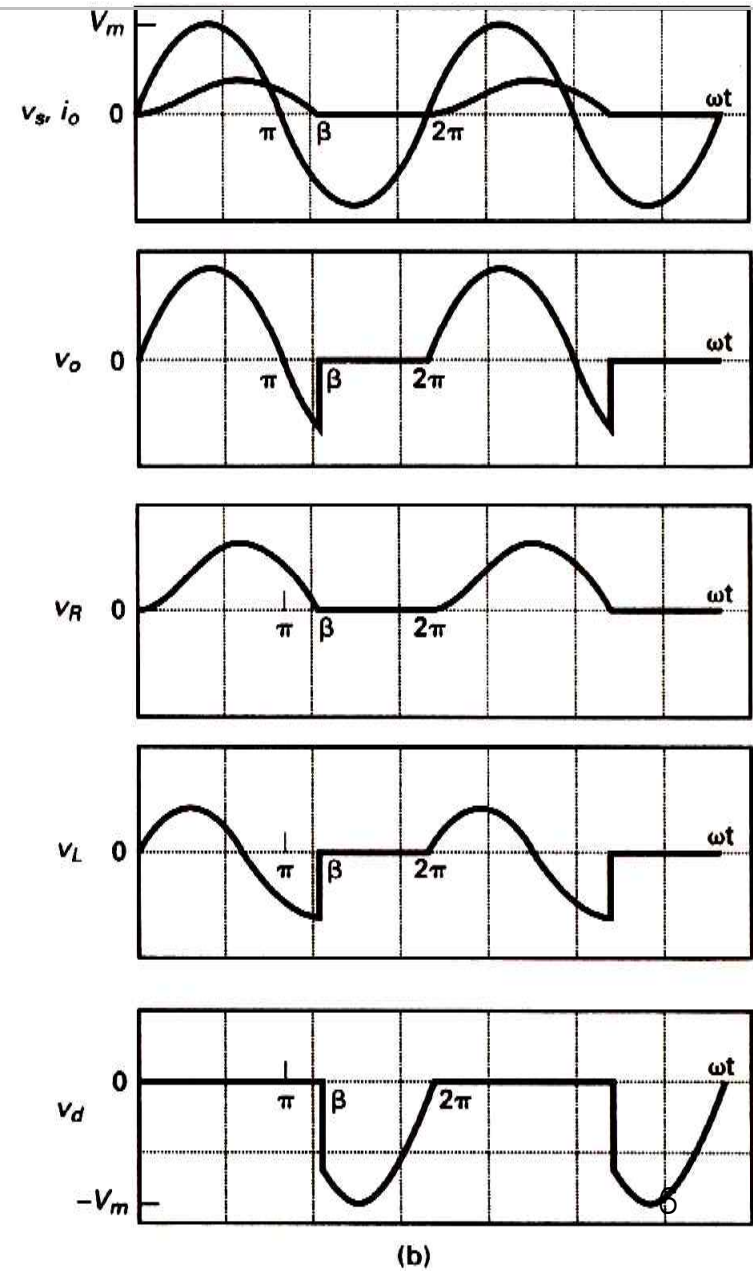
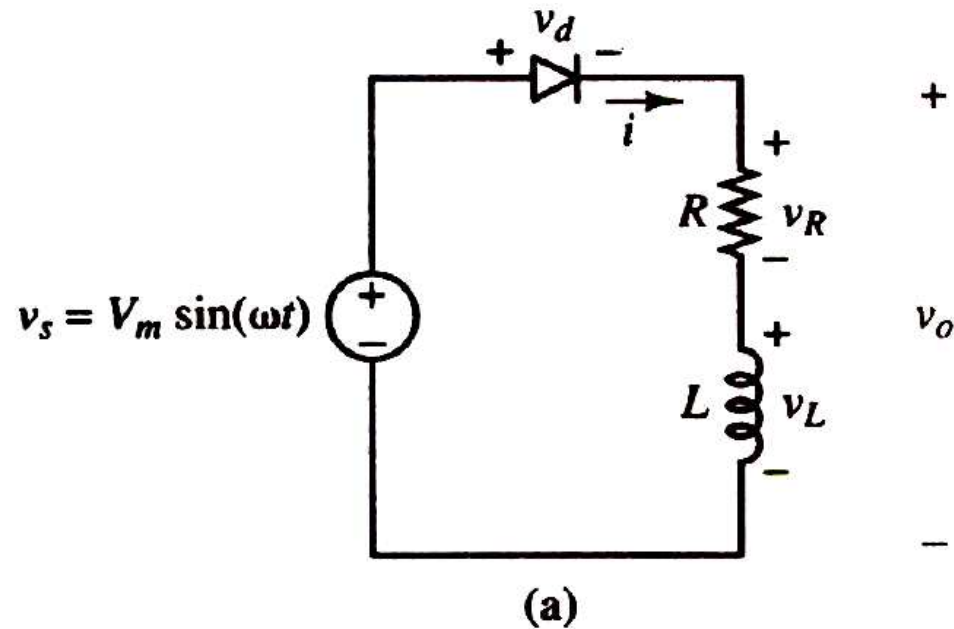


Fig.3.2

3.3 Resistive-Inductive Load

- ❖ Voltage equation for diode on-state

$$V_m \sin(\omega t) = Ri(t) + L \frac{di(t)}{dt}$$

- ❖ Transient response = natural response + forced response

$$i(t) = i_f(t) + i_n(t)$$

- ❖ Forced Response:
 - Steady state response
 - Depend on source
 - Phasor analysis

$$i_f(t) = \left(\frac{V_m}{Z} \right) \sin(\omega t - \theta)$$

$$Z = \sqrt{(R^2 + \omega L)^2} \quad \text{and} \quad \theta = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\omega L}{R} \right)$$

3.3 Resistive-Inductive Load

❖ Natural Response:

- Zero input response
- Depends on circuit parameters
- homogeneous differential equation

$$Ri(t) + L \frac{di(t)}{dt} = 0$$

❖ Natural response for RL load $i_n(t) = Ae^{-t/\tau}$ ($\tau = L/R$)

❖ Current function

$$i(t) = i_f(t) + i_n(t) = \frac{V_m}{Z} \sin(\omega t - \theta) + Ae^{-t/\tau}$$

❖ Find constant A using initial condition

3.3 Resistive-Inductive Load

– Find A :

$$i(0) = \frac{V_m}{Z} \sin(0 - \theta) + Ae^0 = 0$$

$$A = -\frac{V_m}{Z} \sin(-\theta) = \frac{V_m}{Z} \sin(\theta)$$

– Solution of current waveform

$$\begin{aligned} i(t) &= \frac{V_m}{Z} \sin(\omega t - \theta) + \frac{V_m}{Z} \sin(\theta) e^{-t/\tau} \\ &= \frac{V_m}{Z} [\sin(\omega t - \theta) + \sin(\theta) e^{-t/\tau}] \end{aligned}$$

– Using radian angle ωt

$$\begin{aligned} i(\omega t) &= \frac{V_m}{Z} \sin(\omega t - \theta) + \frac{V_m}{Z} \sin(\theta) e^{-\omega t/\omega\tau} \\ &= \frac{V_m}{Z} [\sin(\omega t - \theta) + \sin(\theta) e^{-\omega t/\omega\tau}] \end{aligned}$$

3.3 Resistive-Inductive Load

- ❖ Extinction angle β

$$i(\beta) = \frac{V_m}{Z} [\sin(\beta - \theta)] + \frac{V_m}{Z} \sin(\theta) e^{-\beta/\omega\tau} = 0$$
$$\rightarrow \sin(\beta - \theta) + \sin(\theta) e^{-\beta/\omega\tau} = 0$$

- ❖ Average power $P_{avg} = I_{rms}^2 R = \frac{V_{rms}^2}{R}$

- ❖ RMS current
$$I_{rms} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} i^2(\omega t) d(\omega t)}$$
$$= \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{\beta} i^2(\omega t) d(\omega t)}$$

- ❖ Average current
$$I = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{\beta} i(\omega t) d(\omega t)$$

3.5 R-L Source Load

- ❖ Load = R + L + DC source
- ❖ Diode starts to conduct at $\omega t = \alpha$

$$V_m \sin(\alpha) = V_{dc} \rightarrow \alpha = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{V_{dc}}{V_m}\right)$$

- ❖ Diode turns on :

$$V_m \sin(\omega t) = Ri(t) + L \frac{di(t)}{dt} + V_{dc}$$

- ❖ Forced Response $i_f(t)$:

$$i_f(t) = \frac{V_m}{Z} \sin(\omega t - \theta) - \frac{V_{dc}}{R}$$

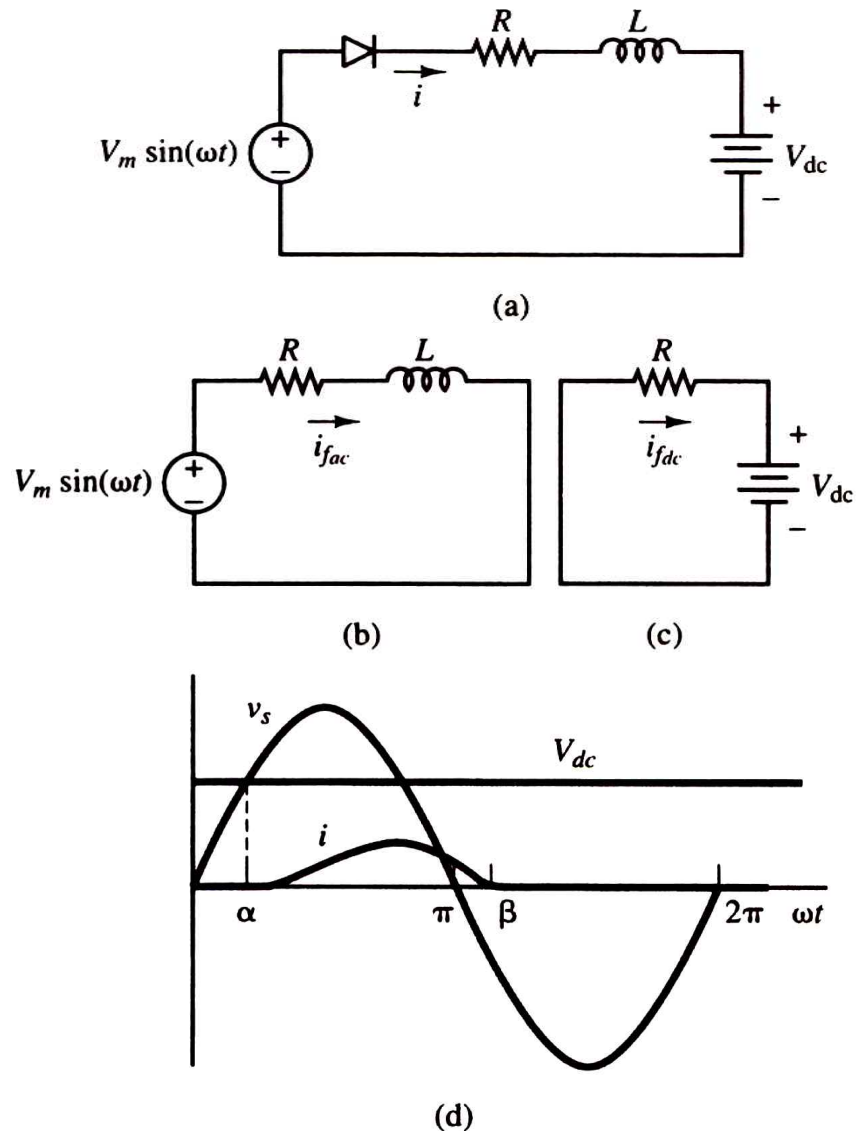


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3.5 R-L Source Load

❖ Natural Response:

$$i_n(t) = Ae^{-t/\tau} \quad (\tau = L/R)$$

❖ Transient Response

$$i(\omega t) = \begin{cases} \frac{V_m}{Z} \sin(\omega t - \theta) - \frac{V_{dc}}{R} + Ae^{-\omega t / \omega \tau} & \alpha \leq \omega t \leq \beta \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

❖ Find A using initial condition $i(\alpha) = 0$

$$A = \left(-\frac{V_m}{Z} \sin(\alpha - \theta) + \frac{V_{dc}}{R} \right) e^{\alpha / \omega \tau}$$

3.5 R-L Source Load

- ❖ Average power absorbed by resistor : $I_{rms}^2 R$

$$\text{where } I_{rms} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} i^2(\omega t) d(\omega t)}$$

- ❖ Average power absorbed by DC source :

$$P_{dc} = IV_{dc}$$

$$\text{where } I = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} i(\omega t) d(\omega t)$$

- ❖ Power supplied by AC source :

$$P_{ac} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} v(\omega t) i(\omega t) d(\omega t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} (V_m \sin \omega t) i(\omega t) d(\omega t)$$

– Equal to the sum of power absorbed by DC source and resistor

$$P_{ac} = i_{rms}^2 R + IV_{dc}$$

3.6 Inductor-Source Load

❖ Inductor can be used to suppress input current.

❖ Diode on : $V_m \sin(\omega t) = L \frac{di(t)}{dt} + V_{dc}$

$$\rightarrow \frac{di(\omega t)}{dt} = \frac{V_m \sin(\omega t) - V_{dc}}{\omega L}$$

❖ Find $i(\omega t)$:

$$i(\omega t) = \frac{1}{\omega L} \int_{\alpha}^{\omega t} V_m \sin(\lambda) d(\lambda) - \frac{1}{\omega L} \int_{\alpha}^{\omega t} V_{dc} d(\lambda)$$

$$i(\omega t) = \begin{cases} \frac{V_m}{\omega L} (\cos \alpha - \cos \omega t) + \frac{V_{dc}}{\omega L} (\alpha - \omega t) & \alpha \leq \omega t \leq \beta \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

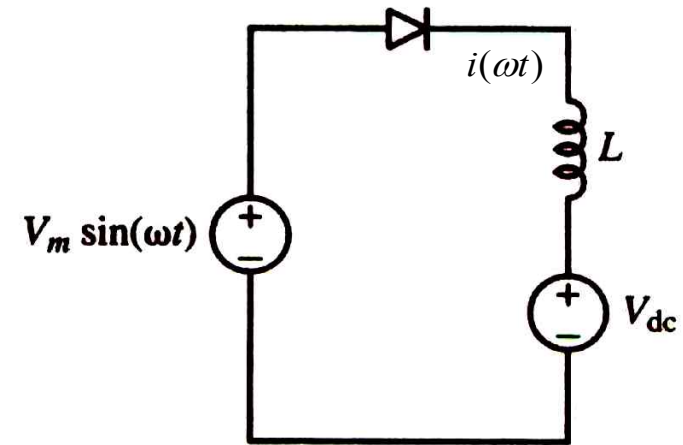


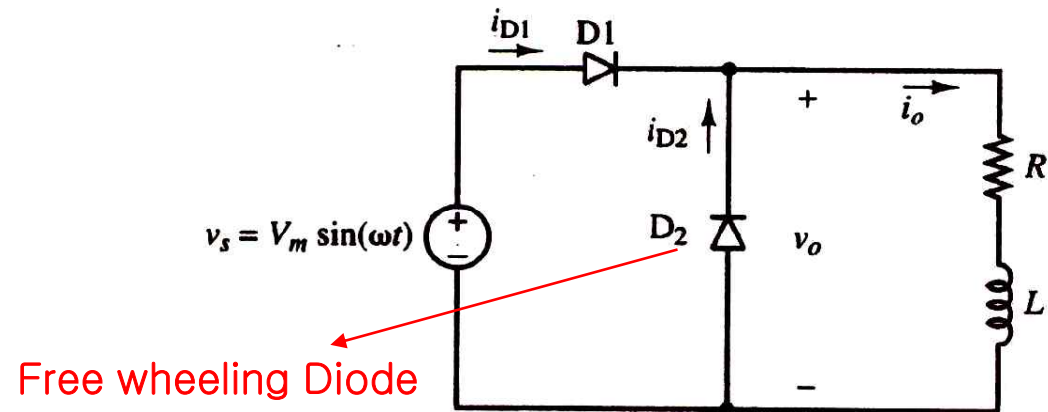
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3.7 The Freewheeling Diode

❖ Positive voltage

$D_1 : \text{on}$
 $D_2 : \text{off}$

Fig. 3.7 b

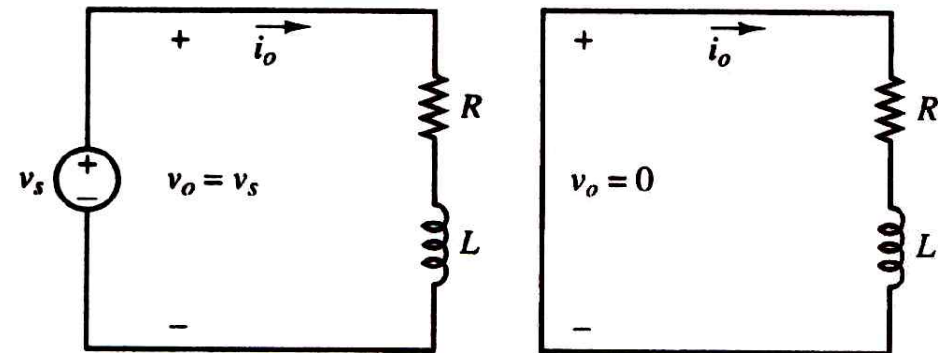


(a)

❖ Negative voltage

$D_1 : \text{on}$
 $D_2 : \text{off}$

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(b)

(c)

Fig.3.7

3.7 The Freewheeling Diode

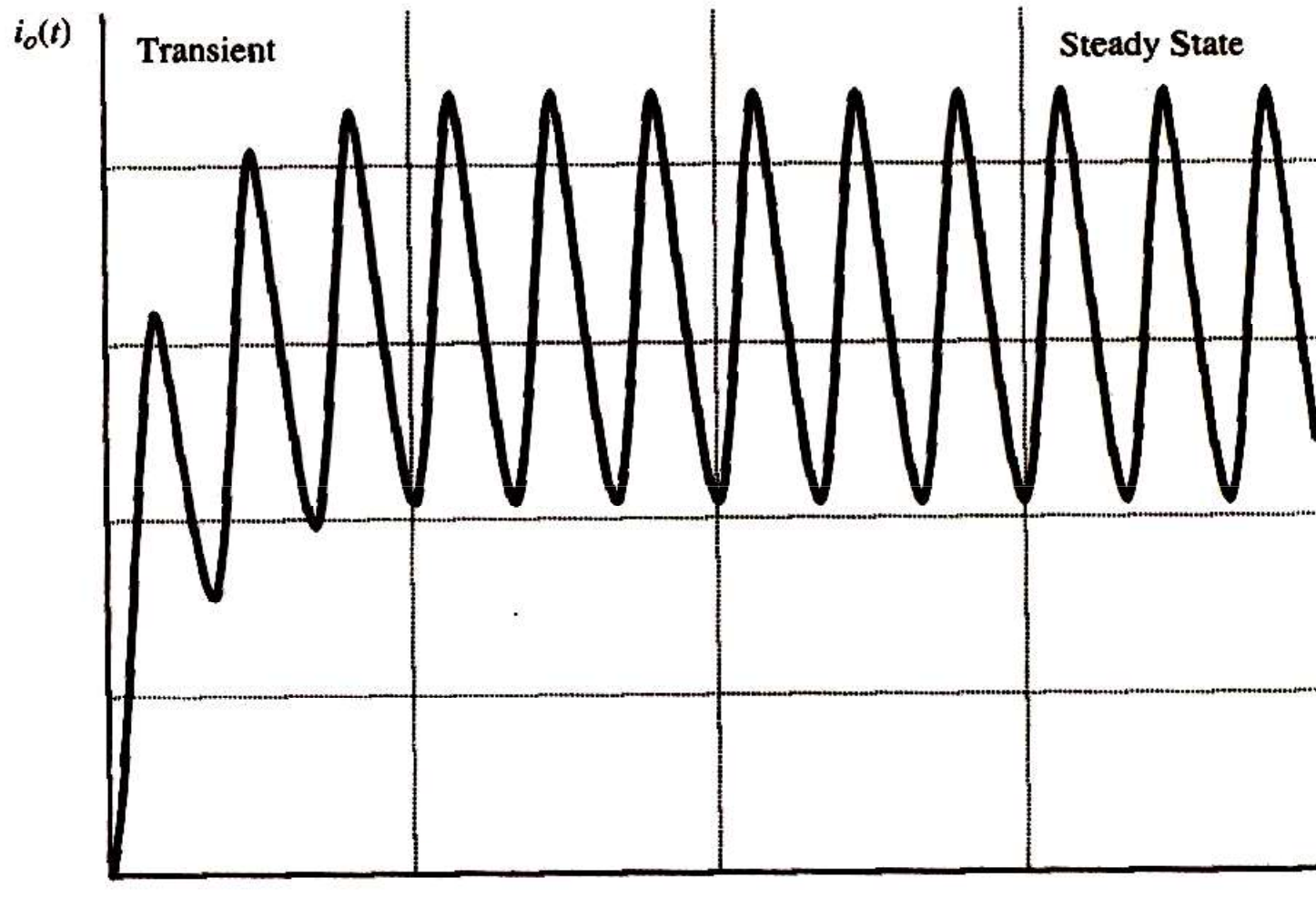


Fig.3.8 Load current reaching steady state after circuit is energized

3.7 The Freewheeling Diode

❖ Fourier Series for half-wave rectified sine wave

$$v(t) = \frac{V_m}{\pi} + \frac{V_m}{2} \sin(\omega_0 t) - \sum_{n=2,4,6\ldots}^{\infty} \frac{2V_m}{(n^2 - 1)\pi} \cos(n\omega_0 t)$$

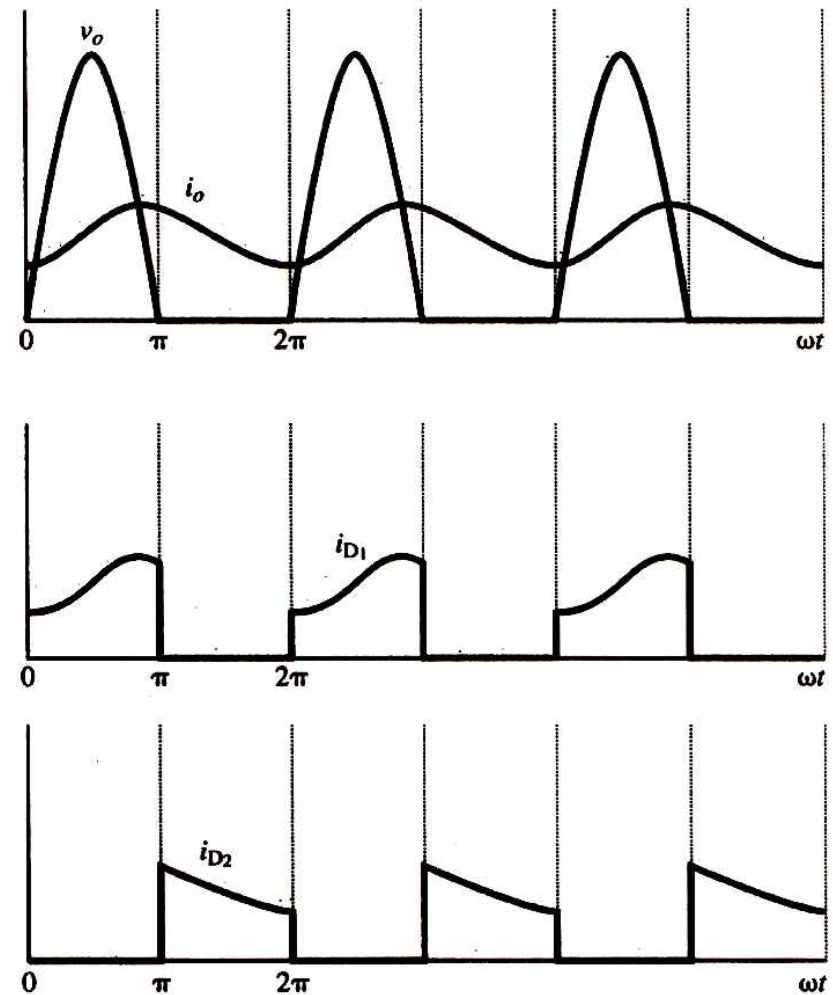


Fig.3.9

3.7 The Freewheeling Diode

- ❖ Average current in R–L load is a function of the applied voltage and resistance but not inductance.
- ❖ Inductance affects only AC term in Fourier Series.

- ❖ Load current :

$$i_0(t) \approx I_0 = \frac{V_0}{R} = \frac{V_m}{\pi R} \quad \left(\frac{L}{R} \rightarrow \infty\right)$$

- ❖ Approximate peak-to-peak current :
 - Amplitude of first AC term in Fourier Series

$$\Delta I_0 \approx 2I_1$$

3.7 The Freewheeling Diode - Example 3-8

- ❖ 예제 3-8 Half-wave Rectifier with Freewheeling Diode: $L/R \rightarrow \infty$
 - Source voltage = $240 V_{rms}$ Frequency = 60Hz, $R = 8\Omega$, $L \approx \infty$

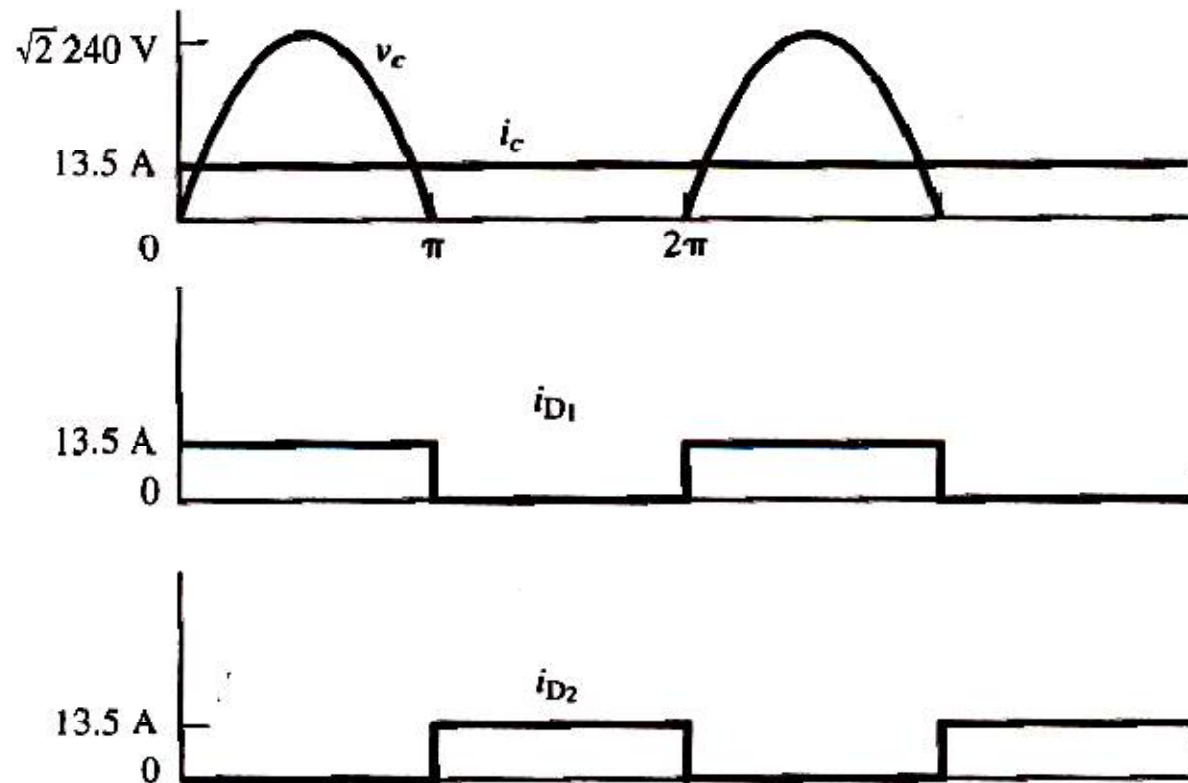
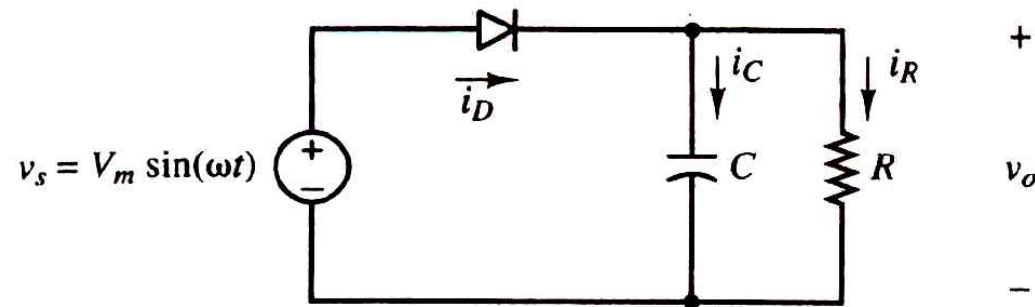
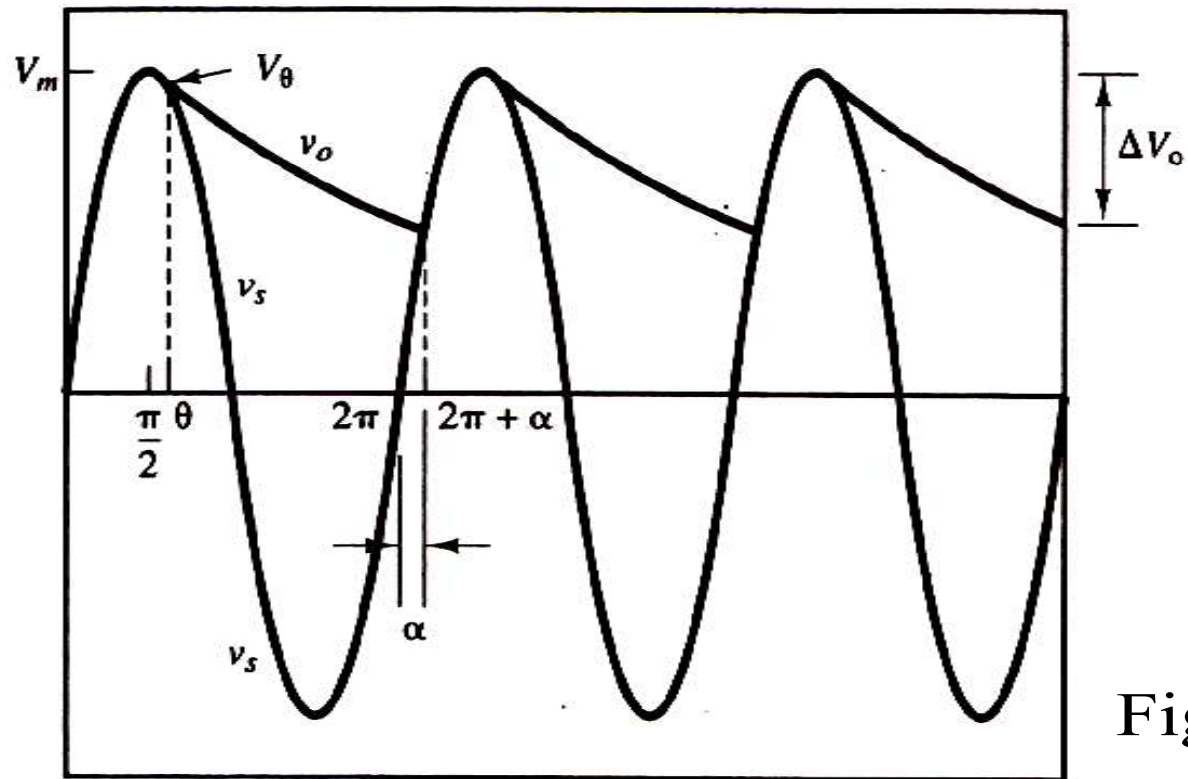


Fig.3.10

3.8 Half-Wave Rectifier with a Capacitor Filter



(a)



(b)

Fig.3.11

3.8 Half-Wave Rectifier with a Capacitor Filter

- ❖ Find Diode off angle θ shown in Fig. 3.11b:

$$V_o(\omega t) = \begin{cases} V_m \sin \omega t & \text{diode on} \\ V_\theta e^{-(\omega t - \theta)/\omega RC} & \text{diode off} \end{cases} \quad \text{where } V_\theta = V_m \sin \theta$$

- ❖ Voltage slope when diode turns on:

$$\frac{d}{d(\omega t)} (V_m \sin \omega t) = V_m \cos \omega t$$

- ❖ Voltage slope when diode turns off:

$$\frac{d}{d(\omega t)} (V_m \sin \theta e^{-(\omega t - \theta)/\omega RC}) = V_m \sin \theta \left(-\frac{1}{\omega RC} \right) e^{-(\omega t - \theta)/\omega RC}$$

- ❖ At $\omega t = \theta$, the slope of the voltage functions are equal:

$$V_m \sin \theta = \frac{V_m \sin \theta}{-\omega RC} e^{-(\theta - \theta)/\omega RC} = \frac{V_m \sin \theta}{-\omega RC}$$

$$\rightarrow \theta = \tan^{-1}(-\omega RC) = -\tan^{-1}(\omega RC) + \pi$$

$$\theta \approx \frac{\pi}{2} \quad \text{and} \quad V_m \sin \theta \approx V_m$$

3.8 Half-Wave Rectifier with a Capacitor Filter

❖ Find Diode on angle α shown in Fig. 3.11b:

$$V_m \sin(2\pi + \alpha) = (V_m \sin \theta) e^{-(2\pi + \alpha - \theta) / \omega RC}$$

$$\rightarrow \sin(\alpha) - (\sin \theta) e^{-(2\pi + \alpha - \theta) / \omega RC} = 0$$

$\rightarrow \alpha$ can be solved numerically.

❖ Resistor current :

$$i_R = v_o / R$$

3.8 Half-Wave Rectifier with a Capacitor Filter

❖ Find capacitor current :

$$i_C(t) = C \frac{dv_o(t)}{dt} \quad \rightarrow \quad i_C(\omega t) = \omega C \frac{dv_o(\omega t)}{d(\omega t)}$$

$$i_C(\omega t) = \begin{cases} -\frac{V_m \sin \theta}{R} e^{-(\omega t - \theta)/\omega RC} & \theta \leq \omega t \leq 2\pi + \alpha \\ & \text{diode off} \\ \omega C V_m \cos(\omega t) & 2\pi + \alpha \leq \omega t \leq 2\pi + \theta \\ & \text{diode on} \end{cases}$$

❖ Source current : $i_s = i_R = i_R + i_C$

❖ Average source current $i_s = \text{Average load current } i_R$ ($i_C = 0$)

3.8 Half-Wave Rectifier with a Capacitor Filter

- ❖ Peak capacitor current occurs at $\omega t = 2\pi + \alpha$.

$$I_{C,peak} = \omega C V_m \cos(2\pi + \alpha) = \omega C V_m \cos \alpha$$

- ❖ Resistor current at $\omega t = 2\pi + \alpha$:

$$i_R(2\omega\pi + \alpha) = \frac{V_m \sin(2\omega\pi + \alpha)}{R} = \frac{V_m \sin \alpha}{R}$$

- ❖ Peak diode current :

$$\begin{aligned} I_{D,peak} &= \omega C V_m \cos \alpha + \frac{V_m \sin \alpha}{R} \\ &= V_m \left(\omega C \cos \alpha + \frac{\sin \alpha}{R} \right) \end{aligned}$$

3.8 Half-Wave Rectifier with a Capacitor Filter

❖ Find peak to peak ripple voltage :

$$\Delta V_o = V_m - V_m \sin \alpha = V_m (1 - \sin \alpha)$$

– If $V_\theta \approx V_m$ and $\theta \approx \pi/2$, then $\alpha \approx \pi/2$

$$\rightarrow v_o(2\pi + \alpha) \approx V_m e^{-(2\pi + \pi/2 - \pi/2)/\omega RC} = V_m e^{-2\pi/\omega RC}$$

$$\therefore \Delta V_o \approx V_m - V_m e^{-2\pi/\omega RC} = V_m (1 - e^{-2\pi/\omega RC})$$

$$e^{-2\pi/\omega RC} \approx 1 - \frac{2\pi}{\omega RC}$$

$$\rightarrow \Delta V_o \approx V_m \left(\frac{2\pi}{\omega RC} \right) = \frac{V_m}{fRC}$$

3.9 The Controlled Half-Wave Rectifier

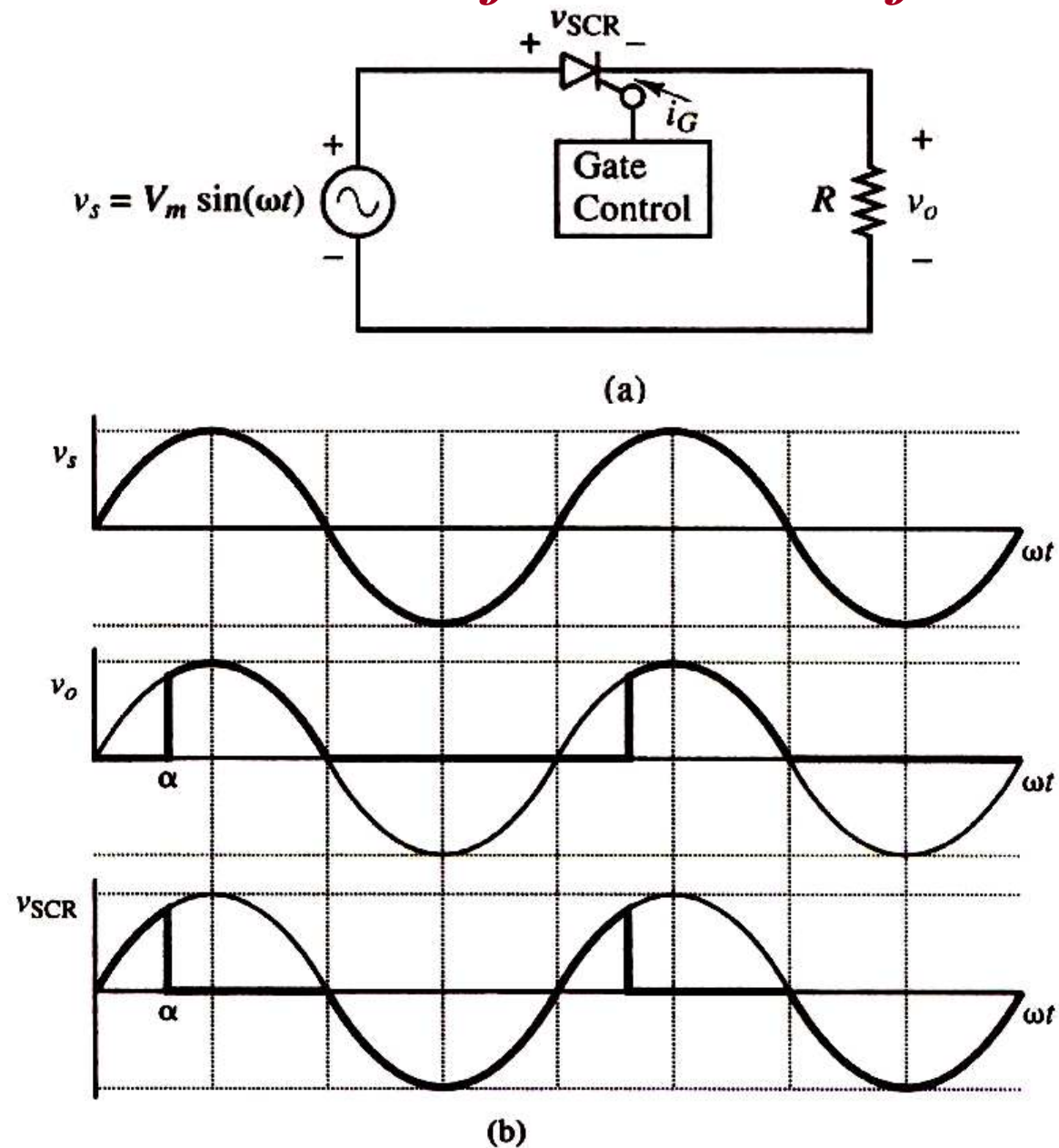


Fig.3.13

3.9 The Controlled Half-Wave Rectifier

❖ SCR의 도통 조건

- ① SCR은 반드시 순방향바이어스 되어야 한다. ($V_{SCR} > 0$)
- ② SCR의 게이트(gate) 단자에 전류가 인가 되어야 한다.

다이오드와 달리 SCR은 전원이 양이 된다고 해서 도통을 시작 하지 않는다.

→ 제어수단으로 SCR을 사용할 때 게이트 전류가 인가 될 때까지 도통이 지연된다.

3.9 The Controlled Half-Wave Rectifier - R Load

- ❖ Average output voltage when delay angle $\alpha = \omega t$:

$$V_o = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\alpha}^{\pi} V_m \sin(\omega t) d(\omega t) = \frac{V_m}{2\pi} [1 + \cos \alpha]$$

- ❖ RMS output voltage when delay angle $\alpha = \omega t$:

$$\begin{aligned} V_{rms} &= \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} v_o^2(\omega t) d(\omega t)} \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\alpha}^{\pi} [V_m \sin(\omega t)]^2 d(\omega t)} \\ &= \frac{V_m}{2} \sqrt{1 - \frac{\alpha}{\pi} + \frac{\sin(2\alpha)}{2\pi}} \end{aligned}$$

3.9 The Controlled Half-Wave Rectifier - *R-L Load*

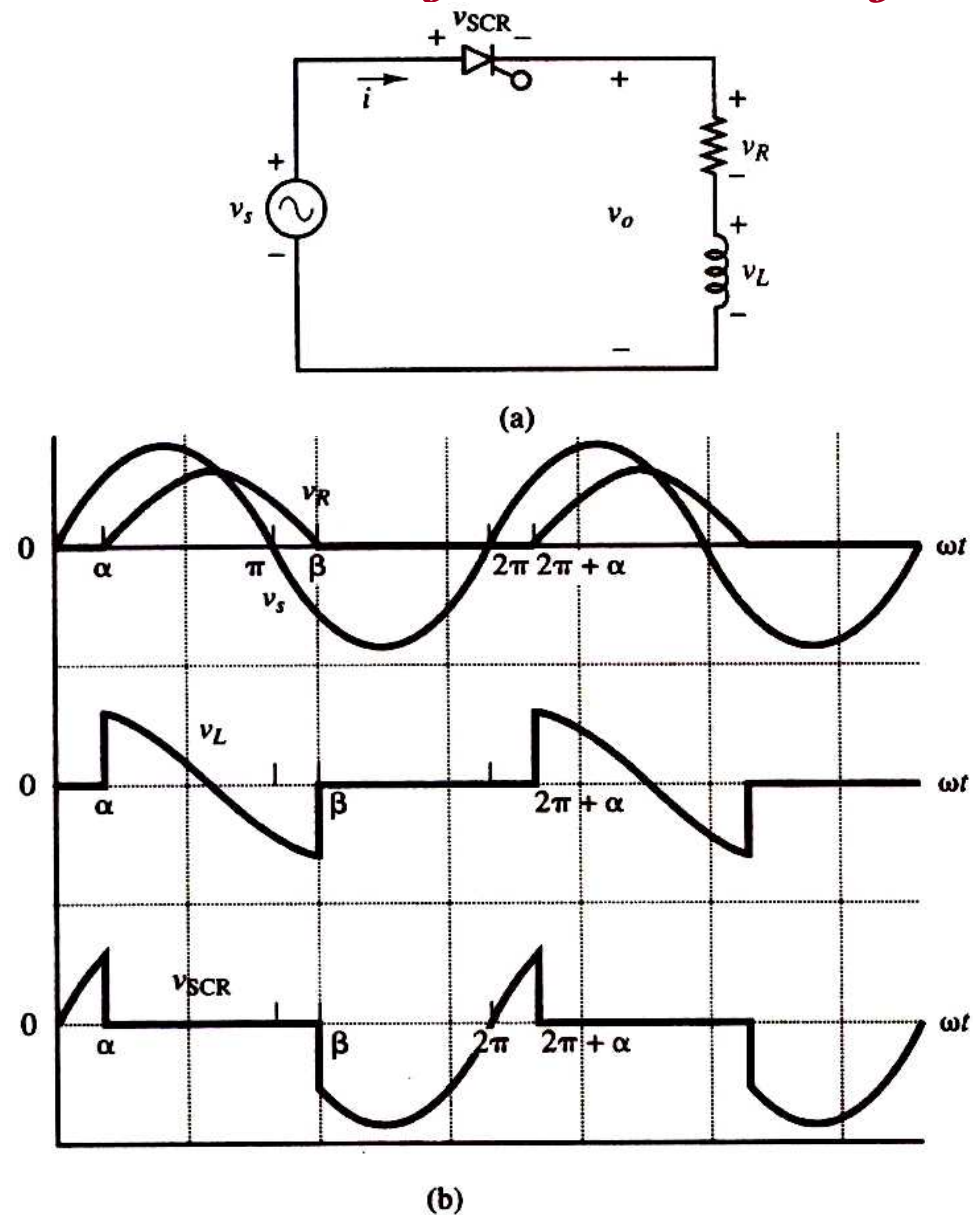


Fig.3.14

3.9 The Controlled Half-Wave Rectifier - *R-L Load*

- ❖ Find load current when delay angle $\alpha = \omega t$:

$$i(\omega t) = i_f(\omega t) + i_n(\omega t) = \left(\frac{V_m}{Z}\right) \sin(\omega t - \theta) + Ae^{-\omega t / \omega \tau}$$

- Initial condition $i(\alpha) = 0$

$$i(\alpha) = 0 = \left(\frac{V_m}{Z}\right) \sin(\alpha - \theta) + Ae^{-\alpha / \omega \tau}$$

→

$$A = \left[-\left(\frac{V_m}{Z}\right) \sin(\alpha - \theta) \right] e^{\alpha / \omega \tau}$$

$$\rightarrow i(\omega t) = \begin{cases} \left(\frac{V_m}{Z}\right) [\sin(\omega t - \theta) - \sin(\alpha - \theta)e^{-(\alpha - \omega t) / \omega \tau}] & \alpha \leq \omega t \leq \beta \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- ❖ Extinction angle $\omega t = \beta$:

$$i(\beta) = 0 = \left(\frac{V_m}{Z}\right) [\sin(\beta - \theta) - \sin(\alpha - \theta)e^{(\alpha - \beta) / \omega \tau}], \quad \beta - \alpha = \gamma$$

3.9 The Controlled Half-Wave Rectifier - R-L Load

❖ Average output voltage :

$$V_o = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} V_m \sin(\omega t) d(\omega t) = \frac{V_m}{2\pi} [\cos \alpha - \cos \beta]$$

❖ Average current :

$$I = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} i(\omega t) d(\omega t)$$

❖ Output power :

$$I_{rms}^2 R$$

❖ RMS current :

$$I_{rms} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} i^2(\omega t) d(\omega t)}$$

3.9 The Controlled Half-Wave Rectifier - *R-L Source Load*

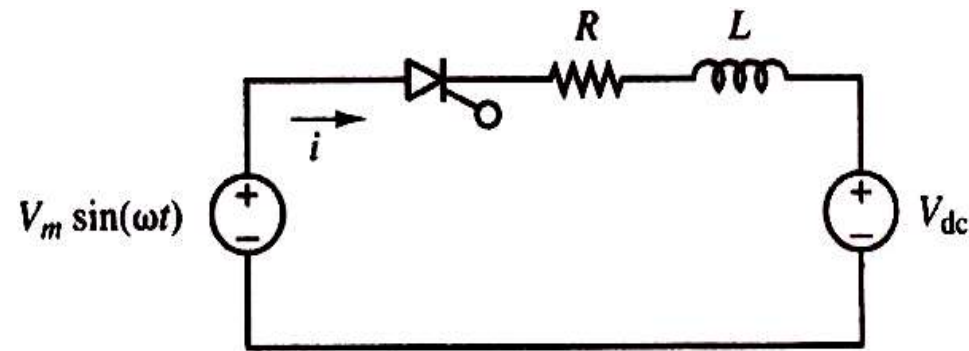


Fig.3.15

❖ Minimum firing angle :

$$\alpha_{\min} = \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{V_{dc}}{V_m} \right)$$

❖ Load current :

$$i(\omega t) = \begin{cases} \frac{V_m}{Z} \sin(\omega t - \theta) - \frac{V_{dc}}{R} + A e^{-\omega t / \omega \tau} & \alpha \leq \omega t \leq \beta \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

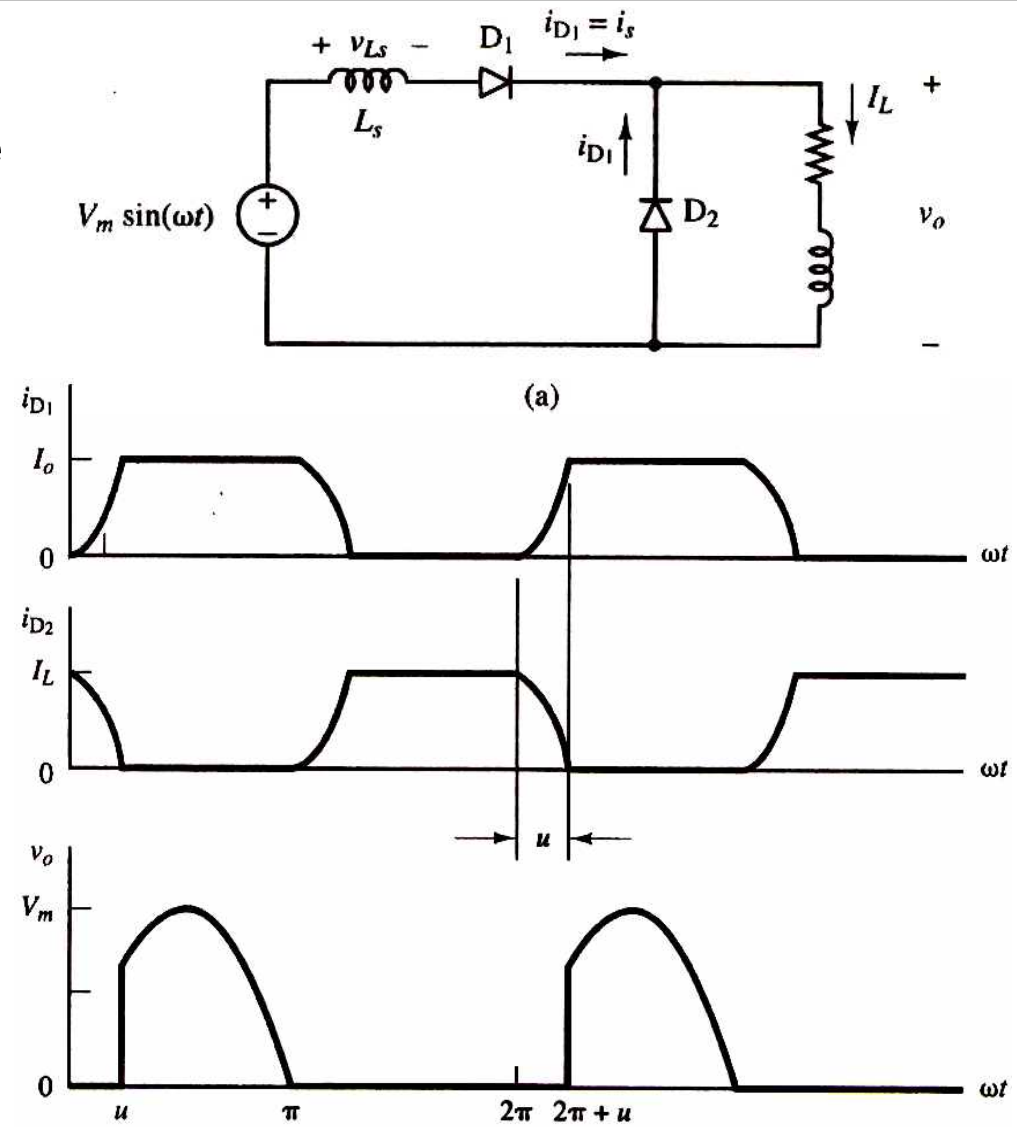
$$A = \left[- \left(\frac{V_m}{Z} \right) \sin(\alpha - \theta) \right] e^{\alpha / \omega \tau}$$

3.9 Commutation

❖ Effect of Leakage Inductance

→ Commutation overlap

→ Reduction of output voltage



(b) Fig.3.17 33

3.9 Commutation

❖ D_1 and D_2 on :

$$v_{L_s} = V_m \sin(\omega t)$$

$$i_s = \frac{1}{\omega L_s} \int_0^{\omega t} V_{L_s} d(\omega t) + i_s(0) = \frac{1}{\omega L_s} \int_0^{\omega t} V_m \sin(\omega t) d(\omega t) + 0$$

$$i_s = \frac{V_m}{\omega L_s} (1 - \cos \omega t)$$

❖ Current through D_2 decreases from I_L to zero at the angle $\omega t = u$:

$$i_{D_2}(u) = I_L - \frac{V_m}{\omega L_s} (1 - \cos u) = 0$$

$$\rightarrow u = \cos^{-1} \left(1 - \frac{I_L \omega L_s}{V_m} \right) = \cos^{-1} \left(1 - \frac{I_L X_s}{V_m} \right) \text{ where } X_s = \omega L_s$$

3.9 Commutation

❖ Average output voltage :

$$V_o = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_u^\pi V_m \sin(\omega t) d(\omega t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} [-\cos \omega t]_u^\pi = \frac{V_m}{2\pi} (1 + \cos u)$$

$$V_o = \frac{V_m}{\pi} \left(1 - \frac{I_L X_s}{2V_m} \right)$$

❖ Find Thevenin's Equivalent Circuit