ELEC 344 - 101: Applied Electronics and Electromechanics

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Assignment 1

Due February 12th, 11:59 pm. Submit through Canvas

(Submit a typed report, include the procedure and steps followed to reach the results.

Long derivations can be included in a non-typed appendix.)

- 1) Using the circuit in Fig. 1:
 - a) Solve the circuit and find the voltage V_X .
 - b) Add a capacitor of $100 \, \mu F$ in parallel with R3 and find the equivalent RC circuit (Thevenin).
 - c) Find the expression for the capacitor voltage and calculate the time constant for charging the capacitor.
 - d) Run the simulation in PSIM. Show the relevant waveforms during the capacitor charging transient.

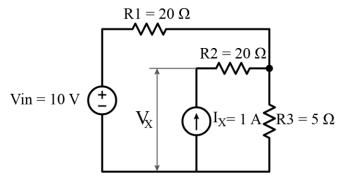
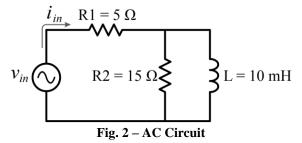


Fig. 1 – DC Circuit

- 2) Using the circuit in Fig. 2 with an input power supply $v_{in} = \sqrt{2} \, 110 \, \sin(\omega t) \, \text{V}$, and $f = 60 \, \text{Hz}$
 - a) Calculate magnitude and phase of the input current.
 - b) Add a capacitor in parallel with the inductor. Calculate the value of the capacitor to obtain a 0 degree phase shift between input current and voltage.



- 3) Fig. 3 illustrates an ideal 3-Phase rectifier with the following parameters:
- $v_a = \sqrt{2} 120 \sin(\omega t) \text{ V}$
- $v_b = \sqrt{2} \, 120 \sin(\omega t + 120^\circ) \, \text{V}$
- $v_b = \sqrt{2} \, 120 \sin(\omega t 120^\circ) \, \text{V}$
- $\omega = 2\pi f$; f = 60 Hz
- $R = 10\Omega$
 - a) Calculate the amplitude of the output voltage and current.
 - b) Simulate the circuit in Fig. 2 using PSIM and plot the output voltage, output current and the current in each diode.
 - c) Explain what you observe from the waveforms. What diodes are conducting at each portion of time? What is the conduction angle for the diodes? Explain why.

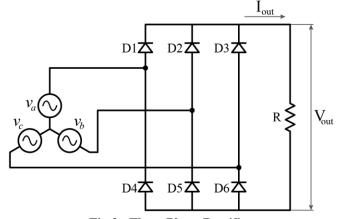


Fig 3 - Three Phase Rectifier

4) The circuit shown in Fig. 4 is often used to control the brightness of Light Emitting Diodes (LEDs) by using PWM modulation using a digital microcontroller. An LED works as a rectifier diode, and the LED brightness is proportional to the average current that passes through the diode (i_D) .

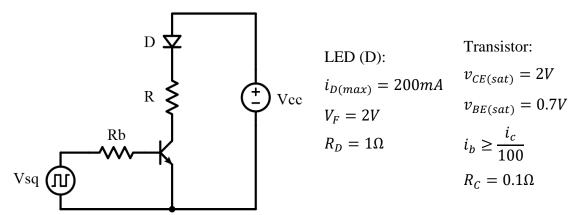


Fig 4 – LED driver circuit

Vsq is a square waveform (digital microcontroller output) that alternates between 0V and 5V, at a frequency of 1kHz. The proportion of time in which Vsq stays high can be adjusted to change the brightness.

- a) For Vcc = 5V, calculate:
 - The value of the resistor *R* necessary to achieve full brightness when the transistor stays ON continuously
 - The maximum value of the resistor Rb that enables such condition
 - The average diode power (P_D) , resistor power (P_R) , transistor power (P_T) , and the source power (P_{Vcc}) for a brightness of 50%.
- b) Repeat all calculations performed in a), in this case for $V_{cc} = 12V$