

## Rectifiers

1.

The input of a full-wave rectifier is a cosine voltage with peak  $V_M = 5$  V and frequency 60 Hz, and output load resistance is  $R = 2$  k $\Omega$ . Silicon diodes are used in this circuit for which the forward drop is  $V_{D0} = 0.7$  V.

- (a) Briefly explain the purpose of a rectifier and describe its operation.
- (b) Show the input and output waveforms.
- (c) Calculate the DC value of the output voltage.

Now after connecting a capacitor in parallel with the load, the output becomes a ripple voltage

$$V_{out} = V_{DC} \pm 0.2 \text{ V}$$

- (d) Calculate the **peak-to-peak ripple voltage**, and from that, the value of the capacitor.
- (e) Calculate the average of the output voltage  $V_{DC}$  after connecting the capacitor. Compare this with the DC value determined in 'c' and comment on the difference between these two.

2.

The input of a **Half-wave rectifier** is a sine voltage with peak  $V_M = 10$  V and frequency 55 Hz, and output load resistance is  $R = 2.5$  k $\Omega$ . Silicon diodes are used in this circuit for which the forward drop is  $V_{D0} = 0.4$  V.

- (a) Calculate the DC value of the output voltage.

Now after connecting a capacitor in parallel with the load, the output becomes a ripple voltage

$$V_{out} = V_{DC} \pm 0 \text{ V.}$$

- (d) Calculate the **peak-to-peak ripple voltage**, and from that, the value of the capacitor.
- (e) Calculate the average of the output voltage  $V_{DC}$  after connecting the capacitor. Compare this with the DC value determined in 'c' and comment on the difference between these two.
- (f) Draw the **Voltage Transfer Characteristic (VTC) curve**

3.

The input of a full-wave rectifier is expressed by,  $V_s(t) = 7\sin(400\pi t)$ , and output load resistance is  $R = 5$  k $\Omega$ . Silicon diodes are used in this circuit for which the forward drop is  $V_{D0} = 0.3$  V.

- (a) Calculate the input and output wave frequency.
- (b) Show the input and output waveforms.
- (c) Calculate the DC value of the output voltage.

Now after connecting a capacitor,  $C = 100 \mu\text{F}$  in parallel with the load.

- (d) Calculate the peak-to-peak ripple voltage,
- (e) Calculate the average of the output voltage  $V_{DC}$  after connecting the capacitor. Compare this with the DC value determined in 'c' and comment on the difference between these two.
- (f) How can you provide better filtering for the output waves?
- (g) What is the frequency of the Ripple voltage?

4.

The input of a **Half-wave rectifier** is a **Square** wave voltage with peak  $V_M = 15 \text{ V}$  and frequency  $0.5 \text{ Hz}$ , and output load resistance is  $R = 5 \text{ k}\Omega$ . Silicon diodes are used in this circuit for which the forward drop is  $V_{D0} = 0.7 \text{ V}$ .

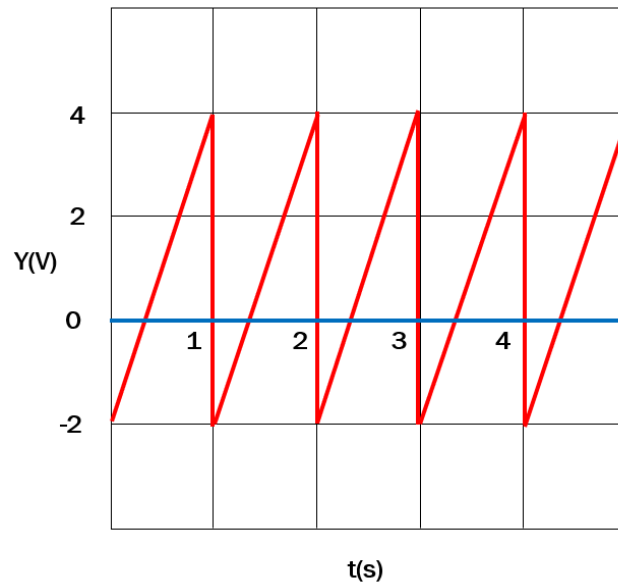
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- ii. Draw the VTC curve

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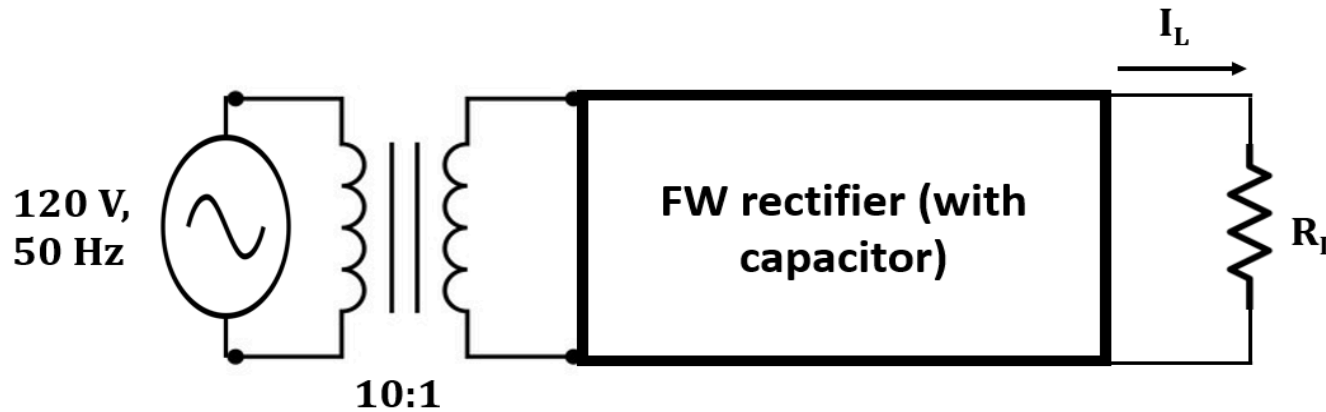


The input of a Half-wave rectifier is exhibited in the Figure above and output load resistance is  $R = 5 \text{ k}\Omega$ . Silicon diodes are used in this circuit for which the forward drop is  $V_{D0} = 0.7 \text{ V}$ .

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7.

A full-wave rectifier is designed to deliver a maximum current  $I_L = 120 \text{ mA}$  to the load. The rectifier produces an output with a ripple of 5% of the peak output voltage. An input line voltage of 120 V (peak), 50 Hz is available. A 10:1 step-down transformer is used to transform the supply voltage to 12 V (peak).



- (a) Draw the Voltage Transfer Characteristics of the full-wave rectifier. [2]
- (b) Calculate the peak output voltage. [1]
- (c) Determine the value of the Load Resistor to deliver a maximum load current of 120mA. [2]
- (d) Deduce the value of the Capacitor and the DC average value. [1]
- (e) Assume the transformer is removed and the rectifier is directly connected to the AC power supply line. Discuss the state of the diodes. [ Hint: use the Peak Input Value of the rectifier input] [3]

