

Rectification :-

The process of converting AC wave form into DC wave form is called rectification.

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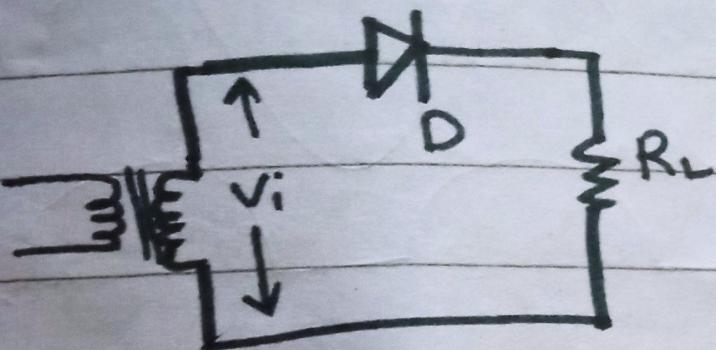
The device used for this purpose is called rectifier

Two common method of rectification

- Half wave rectification:

During positive Half cycle $0 - T/2$ the diode is forward biased and offers very low resistance

to current and if
flow through resistor R .
This current causes a
potential drop across the
resistor R , in accordance with
alternating input.



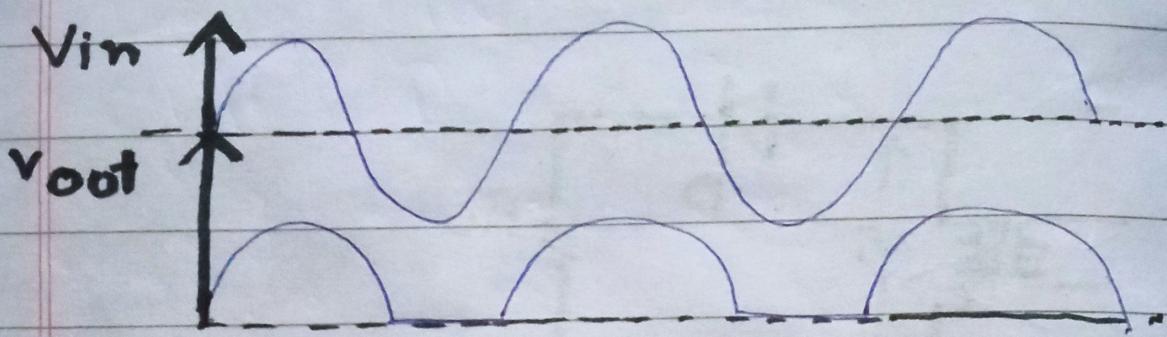
Negative Half cycle.

During negative half
cycle diode is reversed
biased and it offers
very high resistance and
no current flows through R
and potential drop across
is almost zero.

This process is repeated

The output voltage is not smooth it appears in pulses.

These pulses or ripples can be made smooth by using filter.



Full Wave Rectification

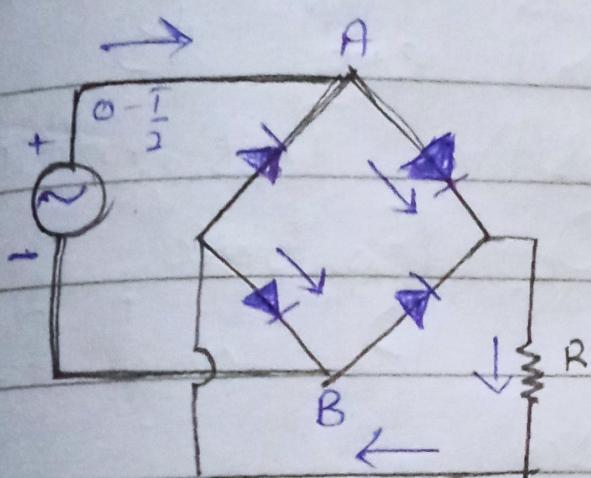
The rectifier in which both input cycles appears as output D.C is called full wave rectification.

It contains four diode

D_1, D_2, D_3, D_4 , connected form bridge

The AC supply to be rectified is applied diagonally to the opposite end of the bridge through transformer or directly between other two end.

The load resistor R , is connected.



For positive half cycle:

During the positive half cycle of the input voltage End A become positive (+) and End B become negative (-). They make diodes D_1 and D_3 forward biased while D_2 and D_4 are reversed.

baised. Therefore only
 D_1 and D_3 conduct.

Negative half cycle:-

During the negative half cycle, the end A become negative and end B become positive. This make D_2 and D_4 forward biased and D_1 and D_3 reversed baised.

Therefore only D_2 and D_4 conduct.

Now again current flow from A to B through load resistor in same direction.

Therefore output D.C. is obtained across the load.

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