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Title: Study of Diode Rectifiers

Abstract: A diode rectifies an ac voltage so that it can be smoothed and converted into a dc voltage. A rectifier however can produce a constant or variable dc voltage.

Introduction: The objectives of this lab are

- 1) Study of Half wave rectifiers
- 2) Study of full wave rectifiers

Theory and Methodology: A rectifier

however cannot produce a smooth dc voltage. So the rectification block that makes the output DC voltage a nearly one follows a filter circuit. In this case the capacitor acts as a smoothing filter so that the output is nearly dc voltage.

A filtering is not perfect; there will be a remaining voltage fluctuation known as ripple, on the output voltage.

### Working principle of half wave rectifier

In half wave rectifier only one half cycle of applied AC voltage is used. Another half cycle of ac voltage is not used. Only one diode is used which conducts during positive cycle. During positive half cycle of the input voltage the diode is positive compared with the cathode. Diode is in forward bias and current passes through the diode and positive half cycle develops across the resistance  $R_L$ .

Working principle of full wave rectifier:

The bridge rectifier is a circuit, which converts an ac voltage to dc voltage using both half cycles of the input ac voltage.

The bridge rectifier is shown in the following figure. The circuit has four diodes connected to form a bridge. The ac input voltage is applied to the diagonally opposite ends of the bridge. The ac input voltage is applied to the diagonally opposite ends of the bridge. The load resistance is connected between other two ends of the bridge. For the positive half cycle of the input ac voltage diodes D<sub>1</sub> and D<sub>2</sub> conduct, whereas diodes D<sub>3</sub> and D<sub>4</sub> remain off. The conducting diodes will be in series with the load resistance R<sub>L</sub> and hence the load current flows through R<sub>L</sub>. For negative half cycle

obtains input ac voltage, diodes D<sub>6</sub> & D<sub>7</sub> conduct whereas D<sub>1</sub> and D<sub>2</sub> remain off. Thus a bi-directional wave is converted into a unidirectional wave.

working principle of center tapped

full-wave rectifier:- A center

tapped rectifier is a type of full wave rectifier that uses two diodes connected to the secondary of center tapped transformer as shown

in below diagram. The input voltage is coupled through the transformer to the center-tapped secondary. Half of the total secondary voltage appears between the center tap and each of the secondary winding as shown.

for positive half of the cycle  
of the input voltage, the polarities  
on the input secondary voltage are  
shown in figure. Thin connection  
reverse biases  $D_1$  and forward biases  
 $D_2$ . The current path is through  $D_2$   
and  $R_L$ . Because the output current  
during both positive and negative  
portions of the input cycle are in  
the same direction through the  
load the output voltage developed  
across the load resistor is a  
full wave rectified dc voltage.

## Apparatus:

<u>No</u>	<u>Apparatus</u>	<u>Quantity</u>
1	Diode	4
2	10 K resistance	1
3	Project board	1
4	oscilloscope	1
5	Multimeter	1
6	Transformer	1
7	99 xF capacitor	2
8	100 xF " "	1
9	cord	2

## Experimental procedure:

1. Connect the circuit shown in the figure - 2 but without the capacitor.
2. Connect the oscilloscope to observe the wave shapes of the input and output voltages.
3. Measure the output voltage by multimeter.
4. Turn off the power supply and connect 47μF capacitor across load and observe the output voltage.
5. Measure the output voltage with a multimeter and compare it with the scope.
6. Turn off the power supply and charge the capacitor with the 200 μF capacitor.
7. Repeat procedures 1 to 5.
8. Repeat procedures 1 through 7 for circuit 2, 3.

## Experimental Data:

Table 2: for figure - 1

	$V_o$ (oscilloscope)	$V_o$ (multimeter)
No capacitance	10.25	7.68
97 $\mu F$	21	15.3
100 $\mu F$	20	19.3

Table 2: for figure - 2

	$V_o$ (oscilloscope)	$V_o$ (multimeter)
No capacitance	9.75	6
97 $\mu F$	20	18.6
100 $\mu F$	20	18.6

Table 3: for figure-3

	$V_o$ (oscilloscope)	$V_o$ (multimeter)
No capacitance	10	6.1
97 $\mu F$	21	17
100 $\mu F$	19.5	18.9

Discussion:- All the apparatus were checked before it was taken. According to the procedures plan apparatus were set up on the circuit. 97  $\mu F$ , 100  $\mu F$  capacitance are present in each circuit. The data table was filled up with the value of voltage in oscilloscope and multimeter.

for every step. The calculation was also done with the data table.

### Questions for report writing:

2. By using filter capacitor we can get a smoother dc voltage, which means the value of dc voltage is quite near to the ac voltage.
3. circuit 2 is better than circuit 3 because it gives us the desire voltage which we want.
5. from the experiment we gather knowledge about Diode rectification we have learned how transformer works and why it is used.

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