

(vi) The existence of +ve & -ve charges on opposite side of the junction creates a potential (voltage) across the junction.

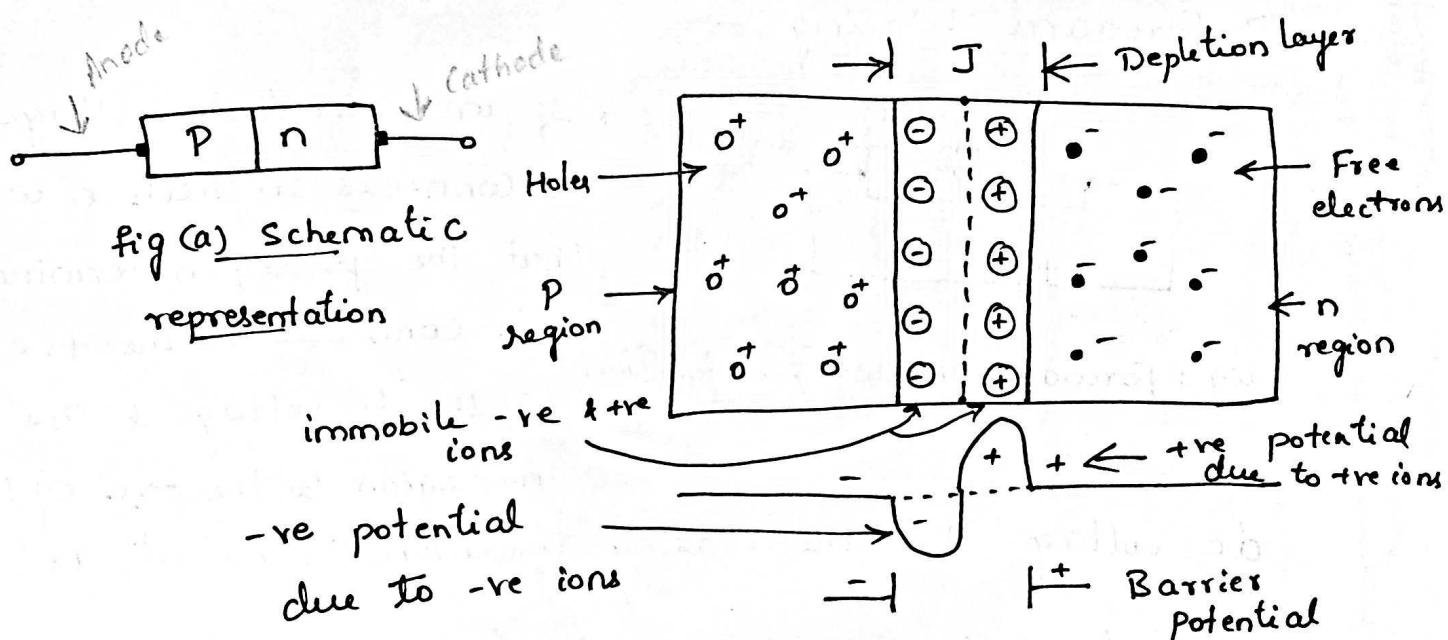
This potential has fixed polarity & it acts as a barrier to the flow of electrons or holes across the junction.

Hence this potential is called as barrier potential or junction potential or cut-in-voltage of a p-n junction.

[0.7V for Si & 0.3V for germanium]

(vii) The physical distance from one side to other side of the depletion layer is called width of the layer.

[ie, in order of 0.5 to 1 micron where 1 micron is 10^{-6} m]



fig(b) : Unbiased p-n junction

* Biasing of p-n junction :-

→ Applying external dc voltage to any electronic device is called as biasing.

Depending upon the polarity of the d.c. voltage externally applied to it the biasing is classified as :-

→ Forward biasing

→ Reverse biasing

[For p-n junction under bias condition current flows in one direction]

→ Forward biasing :-

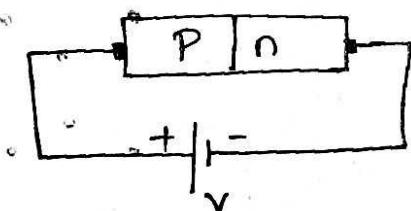


fig: forward biased p-n junction

dc voltage then the biasing condition is called as forward biasing.

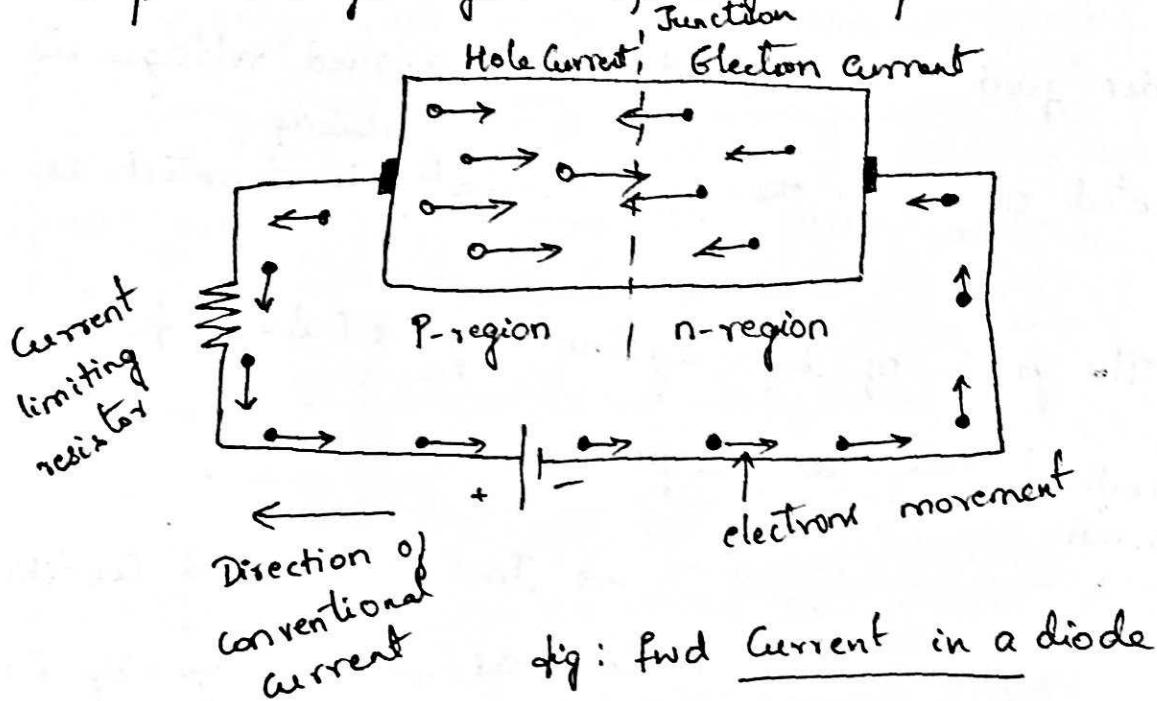
* If an external dc voltage is connected in such a way that the p-region terminal is connected to the +ve of the dc voltage & the n-region to the -ve of the condition is called as

* When the pn junction is forward biased as long as the applied voltage is less than the barrier potential there cannot be any conduction.

* when the applied voltage becomes more than the barrier potential , the -ve terminal of battery pushes the free electrons against barrier potential from n to p region.

Thus holes get repelled by +ve terminal & cross the junction against barrier potential. Thus the applied voltage overcomes the barrier potential.

* As fwd voltage is increased at a particular value the depletion region gets completely collapsed.



* A large no of majority carriers can pass through the junction under the influence of applied fwd biased voltage.

The large no of majority carriers constitute a current called fwd current.

* Current in p-region is due to movements of holes & in n-region is due to electrons i.e., the overall fwd current is due to majority charge carriers.

* Forward chara of p-n junction :-

→ The response of p-n junction can be easily understood with help of characteristics called V-I characteristic of p-n junction.

→ Under fwd biased condition, the applied voltage is denoted as V_f & the fwd current is denoted as I_f .

The graph of I_f against V_f is called fwd characteristics of a p-n junction.

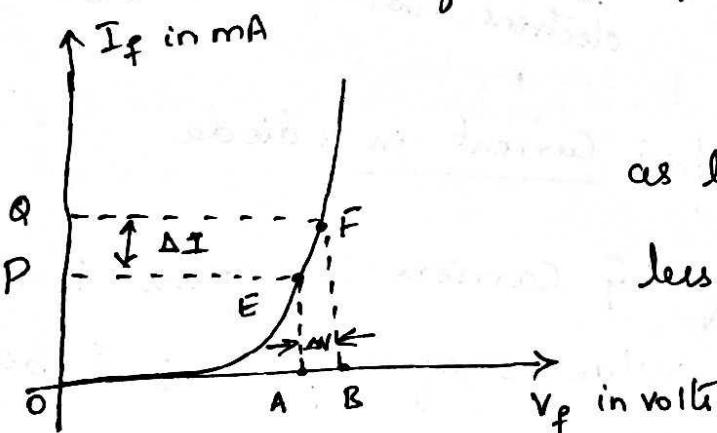


fig: fwd chara

→ In fwd biased condition as long as fwd voltage V_f is less than barrier potential (V_b)

there is no fwd current so I_f is zero.

→ Once fwd voltage V_f becomes greater than barrier potential V_b , the fwd current I_f starts flowing.

→ Once the depletion layer collapses at a particular value of V_F , the current I_F increases drastically.

→ The fwd current is the conventional current hence it is treated as +ve & the fwd voltage V_F is also +ve.

Hence the fwd chara is plotted in the first quadrant.

→ The resistance offered by the p-n junction is called fwd resistance.

It can be defined into two ways:-

* Static fwd resistance

* Dynamic fwd resistance

→ static fwd resistance:- This is the fwd chara resistance of p-n junction when p-n junction is used in d.c circuit & the applied fwd voltage is d.c.

It is denoted by R_F & defined as "The ratio of the dc voltage applied across the p-n junction to the d.c current flowing through the p-n junction."

$$\text{i.e., } R_F = \frac{\text{fwd d.c voltage}}{\text{fwd d.c current}} = \frac{OA}{OP} @ pt E$$

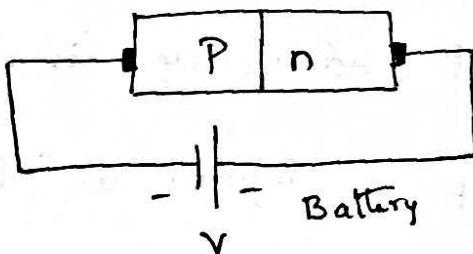
→ Dynamic fwd resistance :- This is the resistance offered by the p-n junction under a.c. conditions is called dynamic resistance denoted as r_f .

It is the reciprocal of the slope of the fwd characteristics. i.e., change in applied voltage from pt A to B, denoted as ΔV & corresponding change in fwd current from point P to Q denoted as ΔI .

Thus the slope of the chara is $\frac{\Delta I}{\Delta V}$, the reciprocal slope is dynamic resistance.

$$\text{i.e., } r_f = \frac{\Delta V}{\Delta I} = \frac{1}{\text{slope of fwd chara}}$$

* Reverse biasing of p-n junction :-



→ Reverse biasing means connecting P-region to -ve & n-region +ve of the battery.

→ when the p-n junction is connected in such manner then the biasing is called as reverse biasing of a pn junction.

→ when the junction is reverse biased the -ve Terminal attracts the holes in the p-region away from the junction.

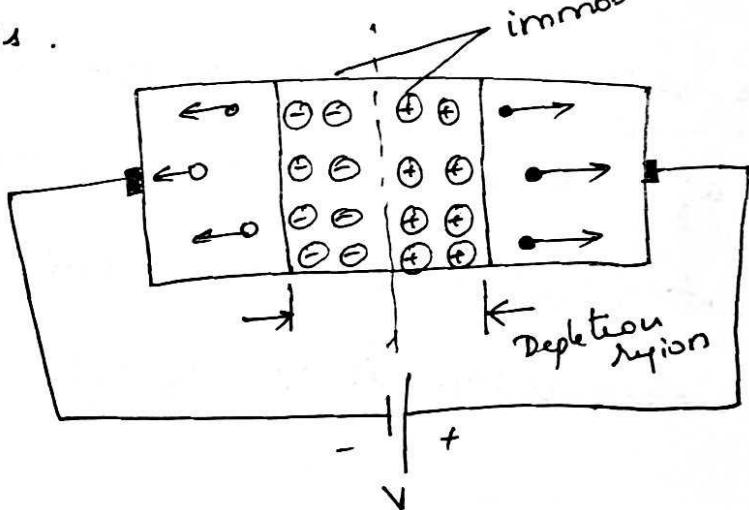
* +ve terminal attracts the free electrons in the n-region away from the junction.

* As a result there is no charge carrier to cross the junction.
∴ depletion region widens.

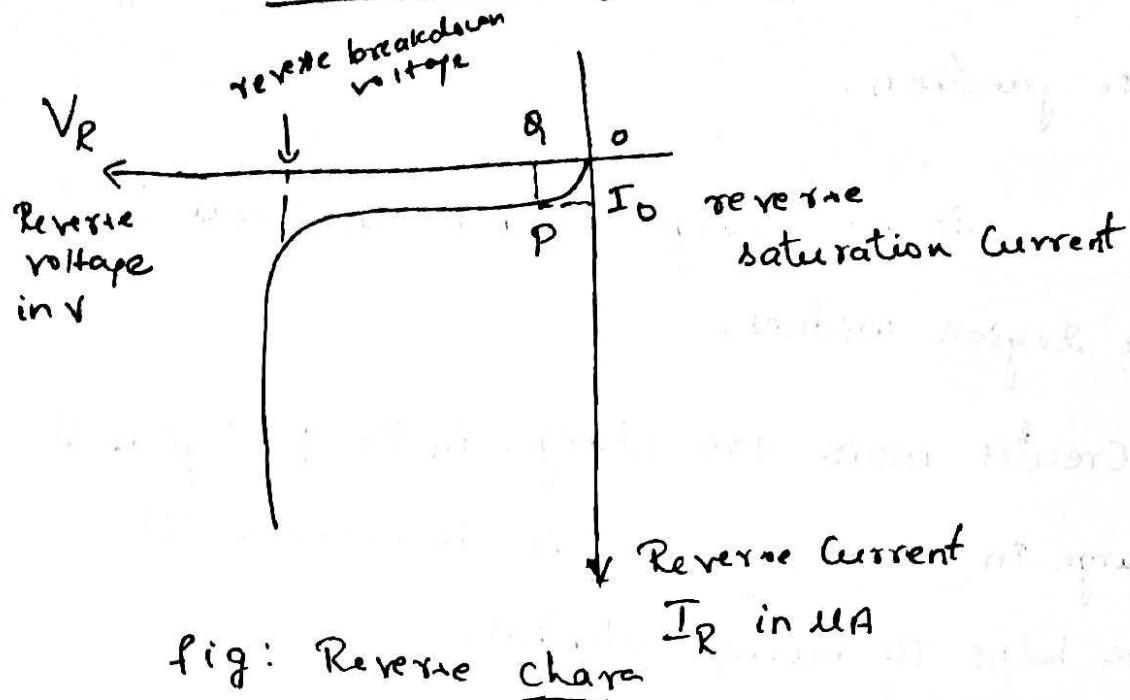
This creates more +ve charge in the p-region & more -ve charge in the n-region. This is because the applied voltage helps the barrier potential.

* By this electron in p-region are very less & the holes in n-region are also very less. Hence the reverse current is very small.

* The reverse current flows due to minority charge carriers.



* Reverse chara of P-n junction :-



- The graph of reverse current against the applied reverse voltage is called reverse chara of p-n junction.
- Reverse Voltage is taken as -ve . Hence it is plotted in 3rd quadrant.
- As reverse voltage increases , reverse current ↑ initially but after a certain voltage , the current remains constant equal to reverse saturation current I_0 though reverse voltage is φ . It offers large resistance.

→ Static resistance :- $R_y = \frac{0\varphi}{I_0} = \frac{\text{applied reverse voltage}}{\text{reverse sat current}}$

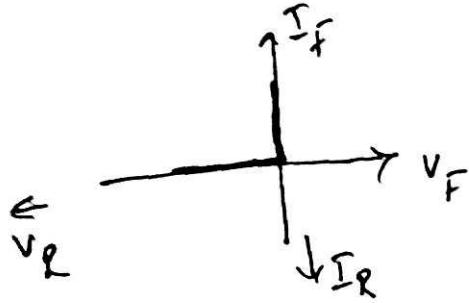
→ Dynamic resistance :- $R_y = \frac{\Delta V_R}{\Delta I_R} = \frac{\text{charge in reverse voltage}}{\text{charge in reverse current}}$

* Diode Approximations :-

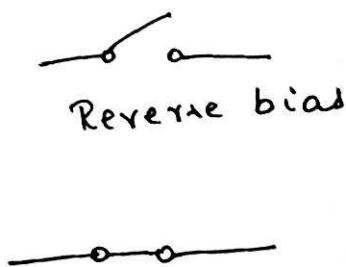
Ideal diode characteristics :-

→ An ideal diode exhibits the following features:-

- ① The cut-in voltage is zero. Since for an ideal diode, there is no barrier potential, any small forward bias V_{Fg} causes conduction through the diode.
- ② The forward resistance is zero
- ③ The reverse resistance is infinity (∞)
- ④ The diode readily conducts when forward biased & it blocks conduction when reverse biased. The reverse saturation current is zero.



(a) Ideal chara



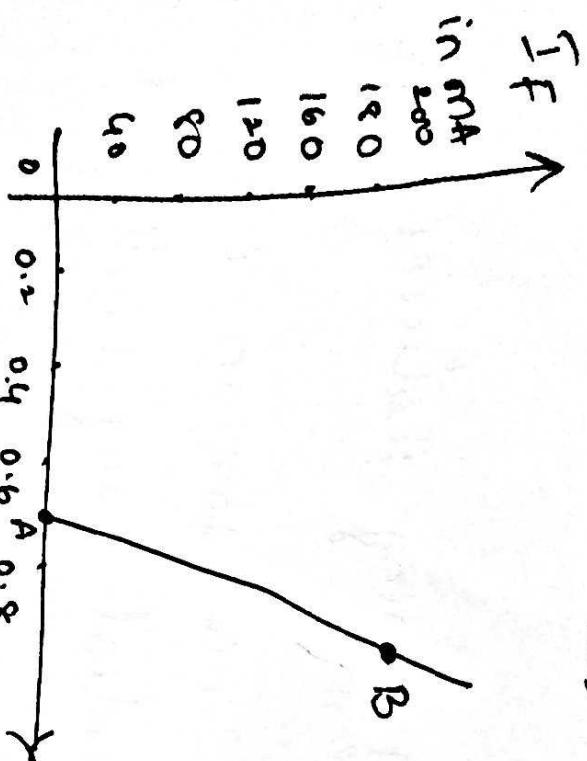
Forward bias

$R = \infty$
of was all negative
clp of pga

→ Resistance for

Any ordinary switch has zero resistance when closed & infinite resistance when open.

* Piecewise linear chara :- (straight-line approximation)



→ When a fwd chara of a diode is not available, we may represent the device as a piecewise linear model.

→ The diff distinctly defined

Part of the chara are

replaced by straight - line segments joined together.

→

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V_F

line is drawn with a slope equal to inverse of $[V_{FOD}]$

Resistanc

Slope

$\frac{1}{V_{FOD}}$

ΔV_F

Rectifiers :-

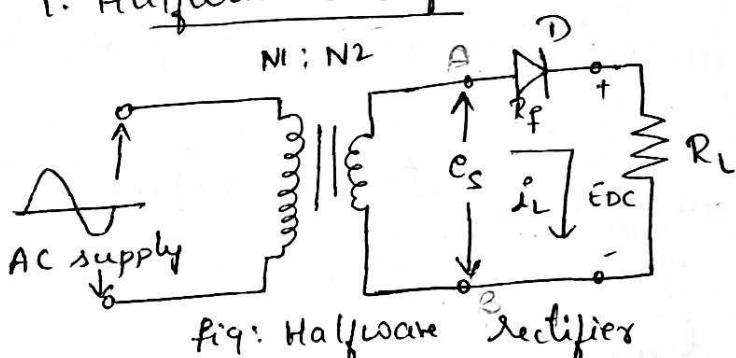
A rectifier is a device which converts ac voltage to pulsating dc voltage using one or more p-n junction diodes.

→ It conducts when forward biased while practically it does not conduct when reverse biased.

Using one or more diodes following rectifiers ckt can be designed into :-

1. Halfwave rectifier
2. Fullwave rectifier
3. Bridge rectifier

1. Halfwave rectifier :-



* In half-wave rectifier, rectifying element conducts only during +ve half cycle of an i/p a.c. supply. The -ve half cycles of a.c. supply are eliminated from the output.

* The rectifier consists of resistive load, rectifying element i.e., p-n junction diode & the a.c source connected in series as shown in the above figure.

* usually the rectifiers ckt's are operated from ac mains supply. To obtain desired dc voltage across the load, the ac vgt is applied to rectifier ckt's using suitable step-up or step-down transformer with necessary turns ratio.

* The i/p voltage to the half-wave rectifier is a sinusoidal a.c voltage having a freq 50Hz.

* The transformer decides the peak value of the secondary voltage.

If the N_1 are primary number of turns & N_2 are secondary number of turns & E_{pm} is the peak value of the primary voltage then,

$$\frac{N_2}{N_1} = \frac{E_{sm}}{E_{pm}}$$

where E_{sm} is the peak value of the secondary ac voltage

* As the nature of E_{sm} is sinusoidal the instantaneous value will be,

$$e_s = E_{sm} \sin \omega t$$

$$\omega = 2\pi f$$

f = supply frequency

$$V_{dc} = 0.45 \times 240 \\ \text{or} \\ V_{dc} = 108 \text{ V}$$

$$V_{dc} = 0.318 V_{max} = 108 \text{ V}$$

Operation of the circuit :-

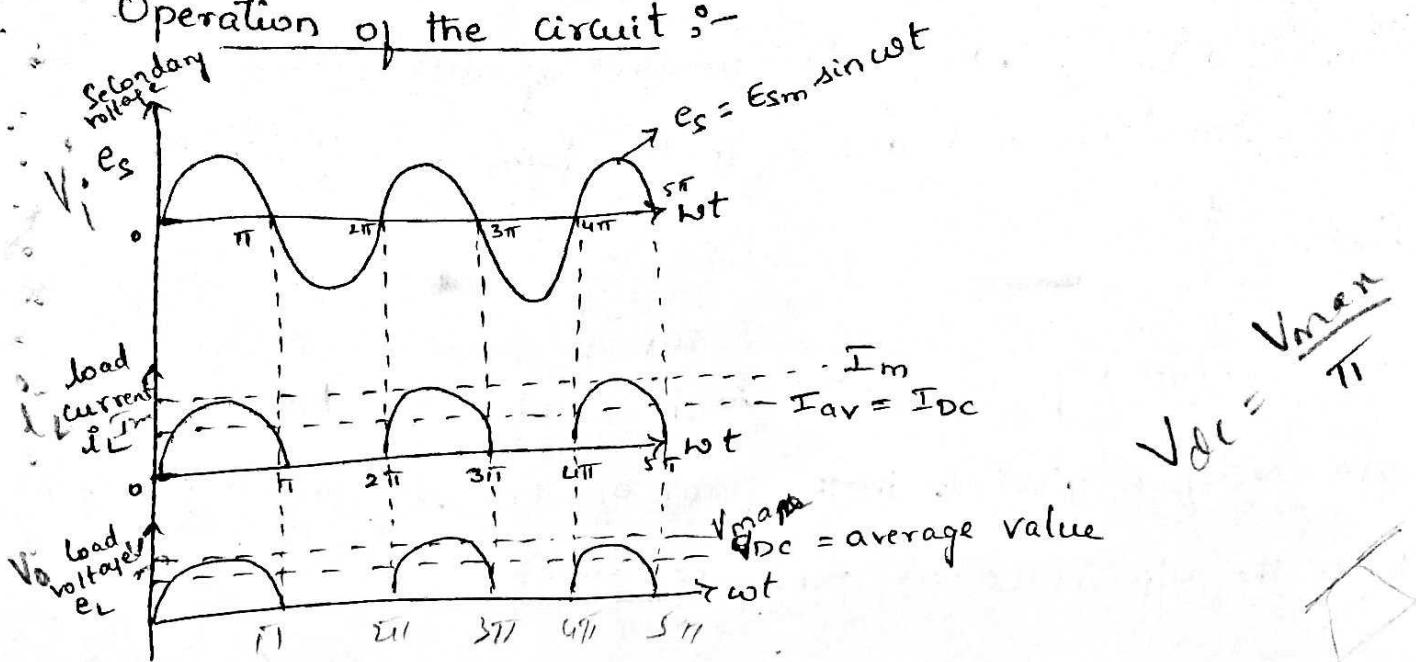


fig : load current & load voltage w/b

- * During the +ve half cycle of secondary a.c voltage , terminal A becomes +ve w.r.t terminal B.
- * The diode is fwd biased & the current flows in the ckt in the clockwise direction.
- * The current will flow for almost full +ve half cycle . This current is also flowing through load resistance R_L hence denoted as i_L , the load current.
- * During -ve half cycle when terminal A is -ve w.r.t B , diode becomes reverse biased. Hence no current flows in the ckt.
- * Thus the ckt current , which is also the load current is in the form of half sinusoidal pulses.

- * The load voltage, being the product of load current & load resistance will also be in the form of half sinusoidal pulses.
- * The d.c. o/p wif is expected to be straight line but the half wave rectifier gives o/p in the form of the sinusoidal pulses. Hence the o/p is called pulsating dc.
- * Hence it is necessary to calculate the average value of load current & average value of o/p voltage.

Average Dc load Current [I_{DC}] :-

- * The avg or dc value of alternating current is obtained by integration.
- * For finding out the avg value of an alternating wif we have to determine the area under the curve over one complete cycle ie, from 0 to 2π & then dividing it by the base ie, 2π
- * Mathematically, current wif can be described as,

$$i_L = i_m \sin \omega t \quad \text{for } 0 \leq \omega t \leq \pi$$

$$i_L = 0 \quad \text{for } \pi \leq \omega t \leq 2\pi$$

where i_m = peak value of load current

$$I_{DC} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} i_L d(\omega t) = \frac{\text{Area under the } i_L \text{ over full cycle}}{\text{period of the wlf}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} I_m \sin \omega t \cdot d(\omega t)$$

As no current flows during -ve half cycle of ac i/p voltage
 ie, between $\omega t = \pi$ to $\omega t = 2\pi$. [As no cur. in -ve. half cycle]

we change the limits of integration

$$I_{DC} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{\pi} I_m \sin \omega t \cdot d(\omega t)$$

$$= \frac{I_m}{2\pi} \left[-\cos \omega t \right]_0^{\pi}$$

$$= -\frac{I_m}{2\pi} \left[\cos \pi - \cos(0) \right]$$

$$= -\frac{I_m}{2\pi} [-1 - 1] \quad -1 - 0$$

$$= \frac{I_m}{\pi}$$

$$\therefore I_{DC} = \frac{I_m}{\pi} = \text{average value}$$

Applying KVL we can write,

$$I_m = \frac{E_{sm}}{R_p + R_L + R_s} \quad \rightarrow$$

where R_s = resistance of secondary winding of transformer.

* If R_s is not given it should be neglected while calculating

(eq) I_m .

Average DC load voltage (E_{DC}) :-

It is the product of average DC load current & the load resistance R_L .

$$\text{i.e., } E_{DC} = I_{DC} R_L$$

Substituting value of I_{DC} ,

$$E_{DC} = \frac{I_m}{\pi} R_L = \frac{E_{Sm}}{\pi(R_f + R_s + R_L)} \cdot R_L$$

The winding resistance R_s & diode resistance R_f are practically very small compared to R_L .

$$\therefore E_{DC} = \frac{E_{Sm}}{\pi \left[\frac{R_f + R_s}{R_L} + 1 \right]}$$

$$\frac{E_{Sm} R_L}{\pi \left(\frac{R_f + R_s}{R_L} + 1 \right)}$$

$$\frac{E_{Sm} R_L}{\cancel{R_f + R_s}}$$

but as R_f & R_s are small compared to R_L , $\frac{R_f + R_s}{R_L}$ is negligibly small compared to 1. So neglecting it we get,

$$E_{DC} \approx \frac{E_{Sm}}{\pi}$$

$$E_{DC} \text{ or } V_{DC} = 0.318 V_m$$

RMS value of load current (I_{RMS}) :-

* The R.M.S means squaring, finding mean & then finding square root.

Hence R.M.S value of load current can be obtained

as,

$$I_{RMS} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{\pi} (I_m \sin \omega t)^2 d(\omega t)}$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{\pi} I_m^2 \sin^2 \omega t \cdot d\omega t}$$

$$= I_m \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \frac{1 - \cos(2\omega t)}{2} \cdot d\omega t}$$

$$= I_m \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi} \left\{ \frac{\omega t}{2} - \frac{\sin 2\omega t}{4} \right\}_0^{\pi}}$$

$$= I_m \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi} \left(\frac{\pi}{2} \right)} \quad \text{as } \sin(2\pi) = \sin(0) = 0$$

$$= \frac{I_m}{2}$$

$$\boxed{I_{RMS} = \frac{I_m}{2}}$$

D.C power output (P_{DC}):-

The d.c power o/p can be obtained as,

$$P_{DC} = E_{DC} I_{DC} = I_{DC} R_L \cdot I_{DC}$$

$$= I_{DC}^2 \cdot R_L$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{D.C power o/p} &= I_{DC}^2 \cdot R_L \\ &= \left[\frac{I_m}{\pi} \right]^2 R_L \\ &= \frac{I_m^2}{\pi^2} \cdot R_L \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore P_{DC} = \frac{I_m^2}{\pi^2} R_L$$

$$\text{where } I_m = \frac{E_{Sm}}{R_f + R_L + R_s}$$

$$\boxed{\therefore P_{DC} = \frac{E_{Sm}^2 \cdot R_L}{\pi^2 [R_f + R_L + R_s]^2}}$$

A.C power input (P_{AC}):-

$$P_{AC} = I_{RMS}^2 [R_L + R_f + R_s]$$

$$\text{but } I_{RMS} = \frac{I_m}{2} \text{ for half wave}$$

$$\boxed{\therefore P_{AC} = \frac{I_m^2}{4} [R_L + R_f + R_s]}$$

Rectifier Efficiency (η):-

The rectifier efficiency is defined as the ratio of o/p dc to i/p a.c power.

$$\eta = \frac{\text{D.C O/P Power}}{\text{A.C I/P power}} = \frac{P_{DC}}{P_{AC}}$$

$$\eta = \frac{\frac{I_m^2}{\pi^2} \cdot R_L}{\frac{I_m^2}{4} [R_f + R_L + R_s]}$$

$$= \frac{(4/\pi^2) \cdot R_L}{R_f + R_L + R_s}$$

$$\eta = \frac{0.406}{1 + \left[\frac{R_f + R_s}{R_L} \right]}$$

If $(R_f + R_s) \ll R_L$, we get the max theoretical efficiency of half wave rectifier as,

$$\% \eta_{max} = 0.406 \times 100$$

$$= \underline{40.6 \%}$$

Thus in half wave rectifier, max 40.6% a.c. power gets converted to d.c power in the load. The remaining power exists in the form of ripples.

Ripple factor (γ):-(?)

Ideally there should not any ripples in the rectifiers o/p. The measure of such ripples present in the o/p is with the help of a factor called ripple factor denoted by γ .

It is defined as the ratio of RMS value of the AC Component to the average or d.c component.

$$\therefore \text{Ripple factor } \gamma = \frac{\text{RMS value of AC Component}}{\text{Average or DC Component}}$$

Now the o/p current is composed of AC component as well as d.c component.

Let I_{ac} = rms value of component present in o/p

I_{dc} = d.c component present in o/p

$I_{rms}^2 = I_{dc}^2 + I_{ac}^2$
 I_{rms} = RMS value of total o/p current

$$\therefore I_{rms} = \sqrt{I_{ac}^2 + I_{dc}^2}$$

$$I_{ac} = \sqrt{I_{rms}^2 - I_{dc}^2}$$

$$\therefore \text{Ripple factor} = \frac{I_{ac}}{I_{dc}}$$

$$\gamma = \frac{\sqrt{I_{rms}^2 - I_{dc}^2}}{I_{dc}}$$

$$\therefore \gamma = \sqrt{\left[\frac{I_{RMS}}{I_{DC}} \right]^2 - 1}$$

This is the general expression for ripple factor & can be used for any rectifier ckt.

Now for half-wave ckt,

$$I_{RMS} = \frac{I_m}{2} \text{ while } I_{DC} = \frac{I_m}{\pi}$$

$$\therefore \gamma = \sqrt{\left[\frac{(I_m/2)}{(I_m/\pi)} \right]^2 - 1}$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{\pi^2}{4} - 1}$$

$$= \sqrt{1.4674}$$

$$\underline{\gamma = 1.211}$$

This indicates that the ripple factor contents in the o/p are 1.211 times the d.c. Component.

* The ripple factor for half wave is very high which indicates that the half wave ckt is a poor converter of a.c to d.c.

* The ripple factor is minimized using filter ckt along with rectifiers.

Peak Inverse voltage (PIV) :- It is defined as "the max voltage that appears across the diode during non-conducting condition PIV of diode = E_{sm} or under reverse bias". i.e., $PIV = V_m$

= max value of secondary vtg $\therefore PIV = V_m$

$$\boxed{PIV = \pi E_{DC}}$$

$$\therefore E_{DC} = \frac{E_{sm}}{\pi}$$

$$PIV = \pi E_{DC} / \text{for all } I_{DC} = 0$$

[PIV is the peak voltage across the diode in the reverse direction i.e., when the diode is reverse biased]

Advantages :-

1. The ckt is simpler & requires only one diode.
2. PIV is only V_m or E_{sm} .

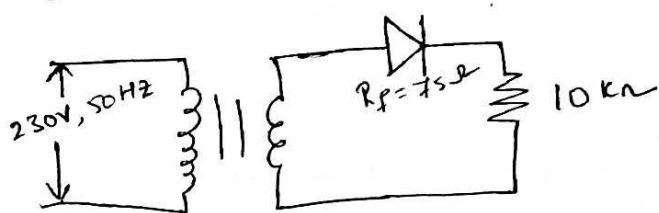
Disadvantages :-

1. Ripple factor $\gamma = 1.21\%$ or 121%
2. Efficiency is very low about $\eta = 40.6\%$
3. The ckt has low transformer utilization factor, showing that the transformer is not fully utilized.
4. The dc current is flowing through the secondary winding of the transformer which may cause dc saturation of the core of the transformer. To minimize this, transformer size have to be \uparrow accordingly. This \uparrow the cost.

Problems :-

① A $\frac{1}{2}$ wave rectifier ckt is supplied from a 230V, 50Hz supply with a step-down ratio of 3:1 to a resistive load of $10\text{k}\Omega$. The diode fwd resistance is 75Ω while transformer secondary resistance is 10Ω . Calculate max, average, RMS values of current, DC o/p voltage, efficiency of rectification & ripple factor.

Soln:-



$$N_1 : N_2 = 3 : 1$$

The given values are,

$$R_f = 75\Omega, R_L = 10\text{k}\Omega, R_s = 10\Omega$$

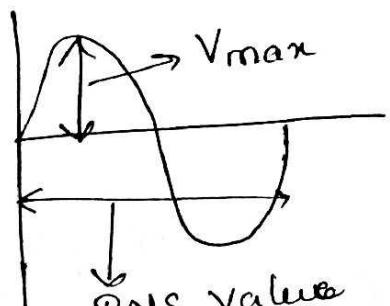
The given supply voltages are always r.m.s values,

$$E_p(\text{RMS}) = 230\text{V}, \frac{N_1}{N_2} = \frac{3}{1} \quad \text{i.e., } \frac{N_2}{N_1} = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\frac{N_2}{N_1} = \frac{E_s(\text{RMS})}{E_p(\text{RMS})}$$

$$\frac{1}{3} = \frac{E_s(\text{RMS})}{230}$$

$$E_s(\text{RMS}) = \underline{\underline{76.667\text{V}}}$$



It is square root of the mean of the squares of the values for the one period of the sine wave.

$$\therefore E_{Sm} = \sqrt{2} \underbrace{E_S}_{\substack{\text{max value} \\ \text{of secondary in}}} (\text{RMS}) \quad \text{so for,}$$

$$= \sqrt{2} \times 76.667$$

$$= \underline{108.423 \text{ V}}$$

$$\therefore I_{Sm} = \frac{E_{Sm}}{R_s + R_f + R_L}$$

$$= \frac{108.423}{10 + 75 + 10 \times 10^3}$$

$$= \underline{10.75 \text{ mA}}$$

$$\therefore I_{Av} = I_{DC} = \frac{I_m}{\pi} = \frac{10.75}{\pi}$$

$$= \underline{3.422 \text{ mA}}$$

$$I_{RMS} = \frac{I_m}{2} \text{ for half wave}$$

$$= \frac{10.75}{2} = \underline{5.375 \text{ mA}}$$

$$E_{DC} = \text{d.c o/p voltage} = I_{DC} R_L$$

$$= 3.422 \times 10^{-3} \times 10 \times 10^3$$

$$= \underline{34.22 \text{ V}}$$

$$P_{DC} = \text{d.c o/p power} = E_{DC} I_{DC}$$

$$= 34.22 \times 3.422 \times 10^{-3}$$

$$= \underline{0.1171 \text{ W}}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore P_{DC} &= \frac{\overline{I}^2 m}{\pi^2} \cdot R_L \\ &= \frac{(10.75 \times 10^{-3})^2}{\pi^2} \times 10 \times 10^3 \\ &= \underline{0.1171 \text{W}}\end{aligned}$$

P_{AC} = ac i/p power

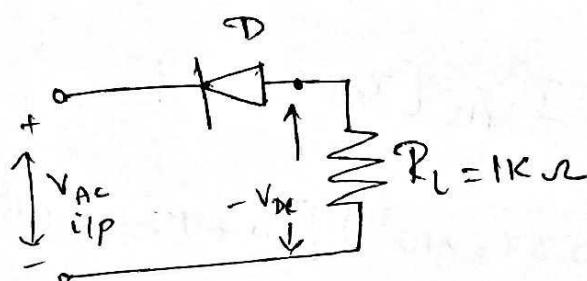
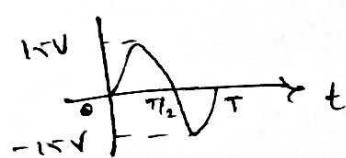
$$\begin{aligned}&= \frac{\overline{I}^2}{R_{NS}} [R_S + R_F + R_L] \\ &= (5.375 \times 10^{-3})^2 [10 + 75 + 10 \times 10^3] \\ &= \underline{0.2913 \text{W}} \\ \therefore \eta &= \frac{P_{DC}}{P_{AC}} \times 100 = \frac{0.1171}{0.2913} \times 100 \\ &= \underline{40.19\%}\end{aligned}$$

The ripple factor is constant for half wave rectifier as 1.21

$$\therefore \underline{\gamma = 1.21}$$

⑤ (a) Assuming ideal diode, calculate the d.c. o/p vtg for the w/o shown in the fig.

(b) Repeat part (a) if the ideal diode is replaced by a Si diode having a cut-in-voltage of $0.7V$. Neglect diode fwd resistance.



Soln: In the ckt, the diode will be fwd biased during the half cycle of a.c. i/p vtg & dc o/p vtg will be -ve w.r.t. common ground terminal as shown.

(a) For an ideal diode cut-in-vtg $V_A = 0$, $R_f = 0$

$$\therefore \text{DC o/p vtg} = \frac{-\text{Max value of ac. i/p vtg}}{\pi}$$

$$= -\frac{15}{\pi} = -4.77V$$

-ve sign indicates that vtg is -ve w.r.t. gnd.

(b) for a Si diode, $V_A = 0.7V$, R_f is assumed to be zero

$$\therefore \text{DC o/p vtg} = \frac{-[\text{Max. A.C. vtg} - V_A]}{\pi}$$

$$= \frac{-(15 - 0.7)}{\pi} = -4.55V$$

(2) A HWR with $R_L = 1\text{ k}\Omega$ is given an i/p of 10V peak from step down transformer. Calculate DC voltage & load current for ideal & Si diode.

Soln:- $R_L = 1\text{ k}\Omega$, $V_m = 10\text{ V}$ peak

Case (i) :- Ideal diode

$$V_f = 0\text{ V}, R_f = 0\text{ }\Omega$$

$$\therefore E_{DC} = \frac{V_m - V_f}{\pi} = \frac{10}{\pi} = \underline{\underline{3.18\text{ V}}}$$

$$I_{DC} = \frac{E_{DC}}{R_L} = \frac{3.18}{1 \times 10^3} = \underline{\underline{3.18\text{ mA}}}$$

Case (ii) :- Si diode

$$V_f = 0.7\text{ V}, R_f = 0$$

$$E_{DC} = \frac{V_m - V_f}{\pi} = \frac{10 - 0.7}{\pi} = \underline{\underline{2.96\text{ V}}}$$

$$I_{DC} = \frac{E_{DC}}{R_L} = \frac{2.96}{1\text{k}} = \underline{\underline{2.96\text{ mA}}}$$

(3) In a HWR, the i/p is $300 \sin 314t$, find its avg o/p $\underline{V_{tg}}$.

Soln:- $E = E_m \sin \omega t$ — general eqn.

$$E_m = 300$$

$$\therefore \text{Avg o/p } \underline{V_{tg}} \text{ is, } E_{DC} = \frac{E_m}{\pi} = \frac{300}{\pi} = \underline{\underline{95.49\text{ V}}}$$

(4) A voltage $v = 300 \cos \omega t$ is applied to a HVR, with $R_L = 5 \text{ k}\Omega$. The rectifier may be represented by ideal diode in series with a resistance of $1 \text{ k}\Omega$.

Calculate I_m , DC power, AC power, η , γ .

Soln:

$$E = E_m \sin \omega t$$

$$E_m = 300 \text{ V}$$

$$R_L = 5 \text{ k}\Omega, R_p = 1 \text{ k}\Omega, R_s = R_f = 0 \text{ }\Omega$$

$$\text{i) } I_m = \frac{E_m}{R + R_L + R_s + R_f} = \frac{300}{6 \times 10^3} = \underline{\underline{50 \text{ mA}}}$$

$$\text{ii) } I_{DC} = \frac{I_m}{\pi} = \frac{50 \times 10^{-3}}{\pi} = \underline{\underline{15.9154 \text{ mA}}}$$

$$\text{iii) } P_{DC} = I_{DC}^2 R_L = 15.9154 \text{ mA} \times 5 \times 10^3 \\ = \underline{\underline{1.2665 \text{ W}}}$$

$$\text{iv) } P_{AC} = I_{RMS}^2 (R + R_L + R_s + R_f)$$

$$= \left(\frac{I_m}{2} \right)^2 (R + R_L + R_s + R_f)$$

$$= \left(\frac{50 \times 10^{-3}}{2} \right) 6 \times 10^3$$

$$= \underline{\underline{2.75 \text{ W}}}$$

(4L)

$$(iv) \eta = \frac{P_{DC}}{P_{AC}} \times 100$$

$$= \frac{1.2665}{3.75} \times 100$$

$$= \underline{\underline{33.77\%}}$$

$$(v) \text{ Ripple factor} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{I_{rms}}{I_{dc}}\right)^2 - 1}$$

$$= \sqrt{\left(\frac{25 \times 10^3}{15.9154 \times 10^3}\right)^2 - 1}$$

$$= \underline{\underline{1.211}}$$

(43)

Full-wave rectifier (FWR):-

- * The FWR conducts during both +ve & -ve half cycles of i/p a.c supply.
- * In order to rectify both the half cycles of a.c i/p, two diodes are used in this ckt.
- * The diodes feed a common load R_L with the help of a center-tap transformer.

The a.c voltage is applied through a suitable power transformer with proper turns ratio.

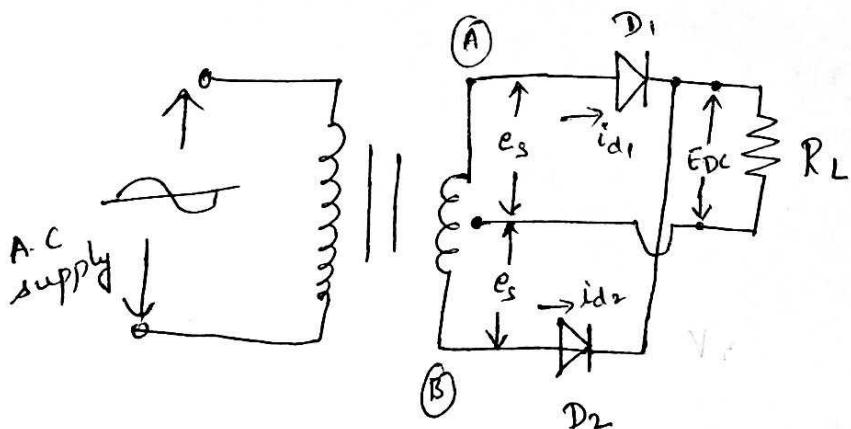


fig: full-wave rectifier

- * For the proper operation of the ckt, a center-tap on the secondary winding of the transformer is essential.

* Operation of the Ckt:-

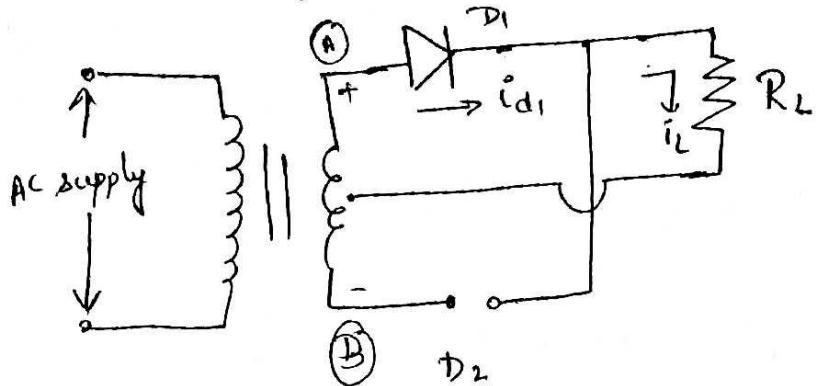


fig: Current flow during +ve half cycle

- * Consider the +ve half cycle of ac i/p voltage in which terminal (A) is +ve & terminal (B) is -ve.
- * The diode D_1 will be fwd biased & hence will conduct, while diode D_2 will be reverse biased & will act as open Ckt & will not conduct as shown. in The above fig. -
- * The diode D_1 supplies the load current ie, $i_L = i_{d1}$, through upper half of secondary winding while the lower half of secondary winding of the transformer carries no current since diode D_2 is reverse biased & acts as open Ckt.
- * In the next half cycle of ac voltage, terminal (A) becomes -ve & B +ve. The diode D_2 conducts being fwd biased, while D_1 does not being reverse biased.

* The diode D_2 supplies the load current i.e., $I_L = i_{d2}$.

Now the lower half of the secondary winding carries the current but the upper half does not.

* ∵ The load current flows in both half cycles of ac voltage & in the same direction through the load resistance.

Hence we get rectified o/p across the load. The load current is sum of individual diode currents flowing in corresponding half cycles.

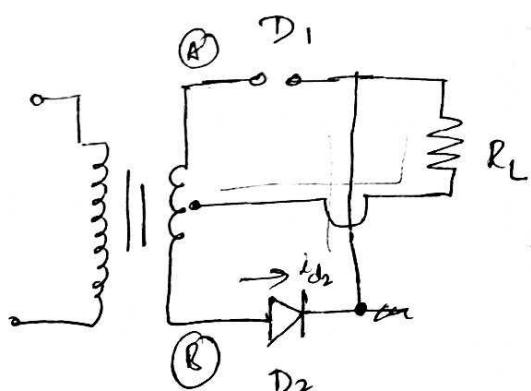
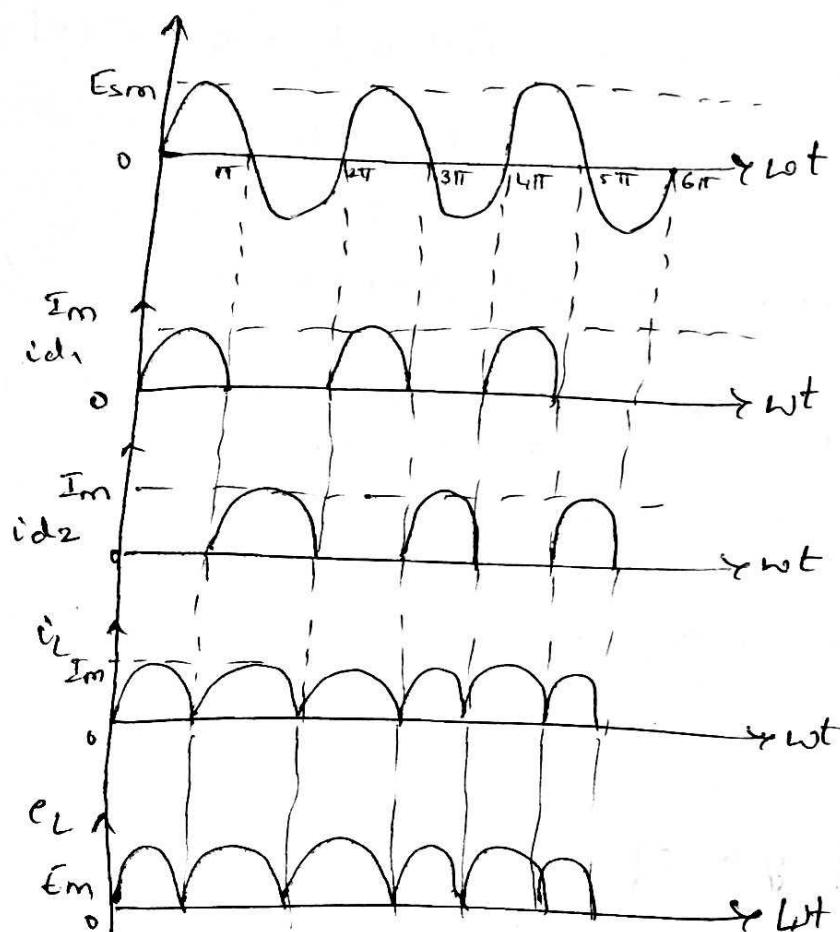


fig: Current flow during -ve half cycle

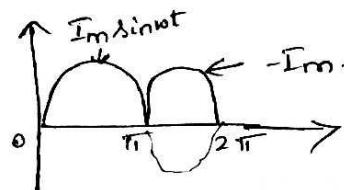
* Thus the FWR essentially consists of two half wave rectifiers working independently of each other but feeding a common load. The o/p load current is still pulsating dc & not smooth.

* Maximum load current :-

$$I_m = \frac{E_{sm}}{R_s + R_f + R_L}$$

where I_m = maximum value of load current i_L .

* Average DC load current I_{DC} :-



Consider one cycle of load current i_L from 0 to 2π to obtain the avg value which is d.c value of load current

$$\text{i.e., } \dot{i}_L = I_m \sin \omega t \quad 0 \leq \omega t \leq \pi$$

But for π to 2π , the current i_L is again +ve while $\sin \omega t$ term is -ve during π to 2π .

Hence in the region π to 2π the +ve i_L can be represented as -ve of $I_m \sin \omega t$.

$$\text{i.e., } \dot{i}_L = -I_m \sin \omega t \quad \pi \leq \omega t \leq 2\pi$$

$$\therefore I_{av} = I_{DC} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \dot{i}_L d(\omega t)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \left[\int_0^{\pi} I_m \sin \omega t d(\omega t) + \int_{\pi}^{2\pi} -I_m \sin \omega t d(\omega t) \right]$$

$$= \frac{I_m}{2\pi} \left[\int_0^{\pi} \sin \omega t d(\omega t) - \int_{\pi}^{2\pi} \sin \omega t d(\omega t) \right]$$

$$= \frac{I_m}{\omega \pi} \left[(-\cos \omega t)_{0}^{\pi} - (-\cos \omega t)_{\pi}^{2\pi} \right]$$

$$= \frac{I_m}{\omega \pi} \left[-\cos \pi + \cos 0 + \cos 2\pi - \cos \pi \right]$$

$$[\cos \pi = -1]$$

$$= \frac{I_m}{\omega \pi} \left[-(-1) + 1 + 1 - (-1) \right]$$

$$\underline{I_{DC}} = \frac{2I_m}{\pi}$$

* Full-wave rectifier is the combination of two $\frac{1}{2}$ wave rectifiers acting alternately in two half cycles of i/p.

* Average DC load voltage (E_{DC}) :-

$$E_{DC} = I_{DC} \cdot R_L = \frac{2I_m}{\pi} \cdot R_L$$

Substituting value of I_m ,

$$E_{DC} = \frac{2 E_{sm} \cdot R_L}{\pi [R_f + R_s + R_L]} = \frac{2 E_{sm}}{\pi \left[1 + \frac{R_f + R_s}{R_L} \right]}$$

But as $R_f + R_s \ll R_L$, hence $\frac{R_f + R_s}{\pi} \ll 1$

$$\therefore \underline{E_{DC} = \frac{2 E_{sm}}{\pi}}$$

* RMS load current I_{RMS} :-

$$I_{RMS} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} i_L^2 d(\omega t)}$$

$$= \frac{2}{2\pi} \int_0^\pi [I_m \sin \omega t]^2 d(\omega t)$$

$$= I_m \sqrt{\frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\pi \left[\frac{1 - \cos 2\omega t}{2} \right] d(\omega t)}$$

$$\text{as } \sin^2 \omega t = \frac{1 - \cos 2\omega t}{2}$$

$$I_{RMS} = I_m \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi} \left[\omega t \right]_0^\pi - \left(\frac{\sin 2\omega t}{2} \right)_0^\pi}$$

$$= I_m \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi} [\pi - 0]}$$

$$= I_m \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi} (\pi)} \quad \text{as } \sin(2\pi) = \sin(0) = 0.$$

$$I_{RMS} = \frac{I_m}{\sqrt{2}}$$

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* DC power o/p (P_{DC}) :-

$$DC \text{ power o/p} = E_{DC} I_{DC} = I_{DC}^2 \cdot R_L$$

$$P_{DC} = \left(\frac{2 I_m}{\pi} \right)^2 \cdot R_L$$

$$= \frac{4 I_m^2}{\pi^2} R_L$$

(or) $\underline{P_{DC}} = \frac{4}{\pi^2} \frac{E_{sm}^2}{(R_f + R_s + R_L)^2} \cdot R_L$

* AC power input (P_{AC}) :-

$$P_{AC} = I_{rms}^2 (R_f + R_s + R_L)$$

$$= \left(\frac{I_m}{\sqrt{2}} \right)^2 (R_f + R_s + R_L)$$

$$= \frac{I_m^2 (R_f + R_s + R_L)}{2}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{E_{sm}^2}{2}}{(R_f + R_s + R_L)^2} \times \frac{1}{2} (R_f + R_s + R_L)$$

$$\therefore P_{AC} = \frac{E_m^2}{2(R_f + R_s + R_L)}$$

* Rectifier Efficiency (η) :-

$$\begin{aligned}\eta &= \frac{P_{DC} \text{ o/p}}{P_{AC} \text{ i/p}} \\ &= \frac{\frac{4}{\pi^2} I_m^2 R_L}{\frac{I_m^2}{2} (R_f + R_L + R_s)}\end{aligned}$$

$$\eta = \frac{8 R_L}{\pi^2 (R_f + R_s + R_L)}$$

But if $R_f + R_s \ll R_L$, neglecting it from denominator

$$\eta = \frac{8 R_L}{\pi^2 (R_L)} = \frac{8}{\pi^2}$$

$$\therefore \% \eta_{max} = \frac{8}{\pi^2} \times 100$$

$$= \underline{\underline{81.2\%}}$$

* Ripple factor (γ):-

$$\text{Ripple factor} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{I_{\text{RMS}}}{I_{\text{DC}}}\right)^2 - 1}$$

$$I_{\text{RMS}} = \frac{I_m}{\sqrt{2}} \quad \& \quad I_{\text{DC}} = \frac{2I_m}{\pi}$$

$$\therefore \gamma = \sqrt{\left[\frac{I_m/\sqrt{2}}{2I_m/\pi}\right]^2 - 1}$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{\pi^2}{8} - 1}$$

$$\therefore \gamma = 0.48$$

* Peak inverse voltage (PIV):-

$$\text{PIV of diode} = 2E_{\text{sm}}$$

$$= \pi E_{\text{DC}} \quad \left[\because E_{\text{DC}} = \frac{2E_{\text{sm}}}{\pi} \right]$$

* If the diode drop is considered to be 0.7V then

the PIV of reverse biased diode is,

$$\text{PIV} = 2E_{\text{sm}} - 0.7$$

This is because only one diode conducts at a time.

* Advantages :-

- Requires only two diodes
- Efficiency is high $\eta = 81.2\%$
- Lower ripple $\% = 48.2\%$

* Disadvantages :-

- Lower DC O/P since each half cycle utilizes half the transformer voltage.
- Increased cost due to center tapped transformer.
- High PIV ($2V_m$) or ($2E_{sm}$) is required. PIV is twice that of HWR. ∴ diodes are required for higher ratios.

Problems:-

① A FWR ckt is fed from a transformer having a center tapped secondary winding. The rms voltage from either end of secondary to center tap is 30V. If the diode fwd resistance is 2Ω & that of the half secondary is 8Ω for a load of $1\text{ k}\Omega$ calculate,

a) power delivered to load

b) A.C. power i/p

c) Rectifier efficiency

d) Ripple factor

soln: $E_{S(\text{RMS})} = 30 \text{ V}$

$$\therefore E_{Sm} = \sqrt{2} E_{S(\text{RMS})}$$
$$= \sqrt{2} \times 30 = \underline{\underline{42.426 \text{ V}}}$$

$$I_m = \frac{E_{Sm}}{R_f + R_L + R_s}$$

$$= \frac{42.426}{2+1000+8}$$

$$= \underline{\underline{42 \text{ mA}}}$$

$$\therefore I_{DC} = \frac{2I_m}{\pi} = \underline{\underline{26.74 \text{ mA}}}$$

a) $P_{DC} = I_{DC}^2 R_L$

$$= \cancel{26.74 \text{ mA}} \times 15$$

$$= \underline{\underline{0.715 \text{ W}}}$$

$$I_{RMS} = \frac{I_m}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{42}{\sqrt{2}} = \underline{\underline{29.698 \text{ mA}}}$$

b) $P_{AC} = I_{RMS}^2 (R_f + R_s + R_L)$

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$$= \underline{\underline{0.8908 \text{ W}}}$$

$$\text{Q) } \% \eta = \frac{P_{DC}}{P_{AC}} \times 100 \\ = \frac{0.715}{0.8908} \times 100$$

$$\text{Q) } \gamma = \frac{80.26\%}{\gamma} \\ \text{d) } \gamma = \sqrt{\left[\frac{I_{rms}}{I_{DC}} \right]^2 - 1} \\ = \sqrt{\left(\frac{29.698}{26.74} \right)^2 - 1}$$

$$\gamma = \underline{\underline{0.48}}$$

- (2) A FWR used a diode with fwd resistance of 1Ω . The transformer secondary is centre tapped with OIP $10-0-10\text{ V}_{rms}$ & has resistance of 5Ω for each half section. Calculate (i) no-load dc voltage
(ii) DC OIP voltage at 100mA

Soln:- $E_{sm} = \sqrt{2} E_{s(rms)} = \sqrt{2} \times 10 = \underline{\underline{14.1421\text{ V}}}$

$$(i) E_{DC(NL)} = \frac{2E_{sm}}{\pi} = \frac{2 \times 14.1421}{\pi} = \underline{\underline{9.0031\text{ V}}}$$

$$(ii) I_{DC} = \frac{100\text{mA}}{5\Omega} = \frac{2I_m}{\pi}$$

$$100\text{mA} = \frac{2I_m}{\pi}$$

$$I_m = \underline{\underline{15.7079\text{ mA}}}$$

(3)

$$\text{But } I_m = \frac{E_m}{R_s + R_f + R_L}$$

$$157.079 \times 10^{-3} = \frac{14.1421}{s + 1 + R_L}$$

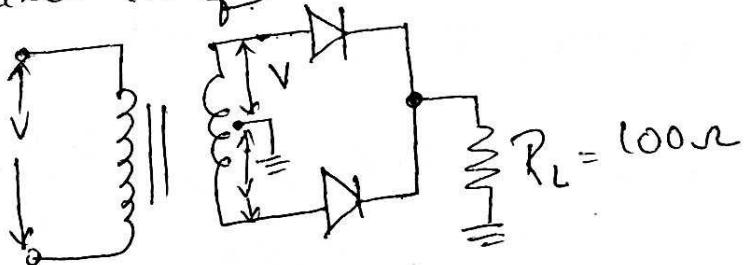
$$R_L = \underline{\underline{84.0317 \Omega}}$$

$$\therefore E_{DC(\text{load})} = I_{DC} \cdot R_L$$

$$= 100m \times 84.0317$$

$$= \underline{\underline{8.4031V}}$$

- (3) For the FWR ckt shown below, V is a $\sin \omega t$. If the max allowable ^{avg} d.c current in each diode is 1A, calculate the max allowable peak-to-peak value of V . Assume two diodes to be identical, & neglect diode resistance in fwd direction.



Soln:

$$I_{DC} = 1A$$

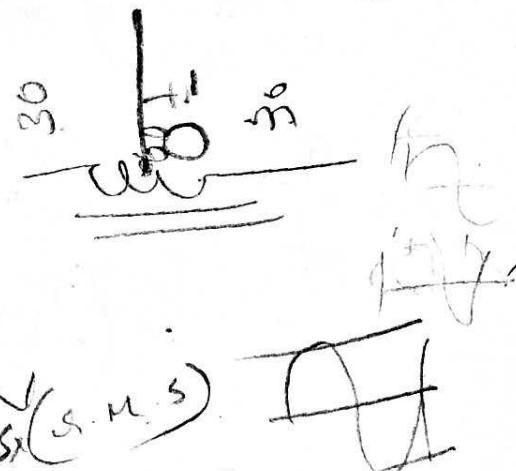
The avg I_{DC} per HWR diode

$$= \frac{I_m}{\pi} = \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{V_m}{R_L}$$

$$\therefore I_A = \frac{V_m}{\pi R_L}$$

$$V_m = \pi R_L = \pi \times 100 = \underline{\underline{314.16V}}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore V_m(p-p) &= V_{max} \times 2 \\ &= 314.16 \times 2 \\ &= \underline{\underline{628.32V}}\end{aligned}$$



- ④ In a FWR the i/p is from 30-0-30V transformer
the load & diode fwd resistance are 100Ω & 10Ω
respectively. Calculate the avg voltage & efficiency.

Soln:-

It is FWR with i/p from center tap transformer.
So rms value of secondary across each half of secondary
is 30V.

$$\therefore E_{sm} = \sqrt{2} \times 30 = \underline{\underline{42.4264V}}$$

$$I_m = \frac{E_{sm}}{R_f + R_L} = \frac{42.426}{(100+10)} = \underline{\underline{0.3856A}}$$

$$\therefore I_{DC} = \frac{2I_m}{\pi} = \frac{2 \times 0.3856}{\pi} = \underline{\underline{0.2455A}}$$

$$\therefore E_{DC} = I_{DC} \cdot R_L$$

$$= 0.2455 \times 100$$

$$= \underline{24.55V}$$

$$P_{DC} = I_{DC}^2 \cdot R_L = \underline{6.027W}$$

$$P_{AC} = I_{rms}^2 [R_f + R_L]$$

$$= \left(\frac{I_m}{\sqrt{2}} \right)^2 [R_f + R_L]$$

$$= \underline{8.1778W}$$

$$\therefore \% \eta = \frac{P_{DC}}{P_{AC}} \times 100 = \frac{6.027}{8.1778} \times 100$$

$$= \underline{\underline{73.69\%}}$$

(5) What is the necessary AC i/p power from the transformer secondary used in a HNR to deliver 500W of DC power to the load? What would be the AC i/p power for the same load in a FNR?

Soln: for HNR, $\% \eta = 40.6\%$.

$$40.6 = \frac{P_{DC}}{P_{AC}} \times 100$$

$$40.6 = \frac{500}{P_{AC}} \times 100$$

$$\therefore P_{AC} = \frac{500 \times 100}{40.6}$$

$$= \underline{\underline{1231.527 \text{ W}}}$$

for the same load, with FWR the max η_{\max} is 81.2%

$$\therefore 81.2 = \frac{P_{DC}}{P_{AC}} \times 100$$

$$81.2 = \frac{500}{P_{AC}} \times 100$$

$$P_{AC} = \frac{500 \times 100}{81.2}$$

$$P_{AC} = \underline{\underline{615.765 \text{ V}}}$$

* Bridge Rectifier Circuit :-

→ The bridge rectifier circuit is essentially a FWR circuit using four diodes forming the four arms of an electrical bridge.

→ The main advantage is that it does not require a center tap on the secondary winding of the transformer. Hence wherever possible, ac voltage can be directly applied to the bridge.

Operation of the circuit :-

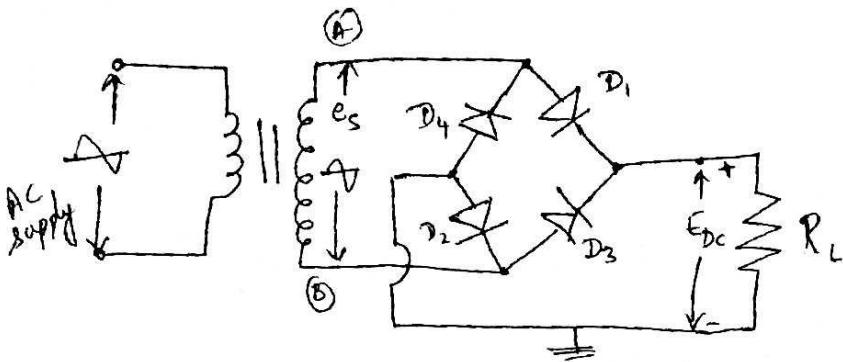


fig: Bridge rectifier Ckt

- The bridge rectifiers Ckt is as shown in the figure.
- Consider the +ve half cycle of ac i/p voltage. The pt A of secondary becomes +ve. The diodes D₁ & D₂ will be forward biased, while D₃ & D₄ reverse biased. The two diodes D₁ & D₂ conduct in series with the load & the current flows as shown in the Ckt below:-

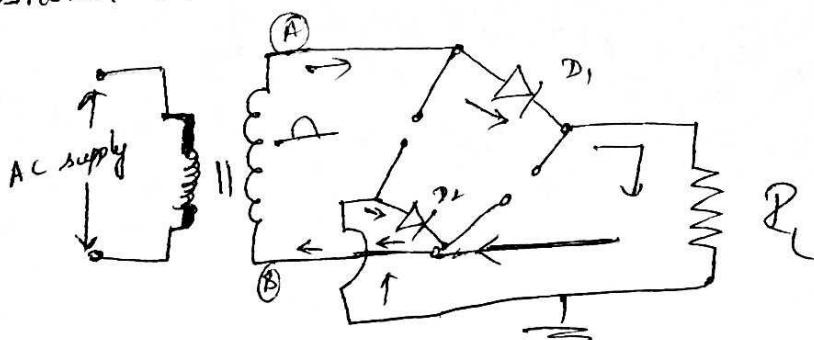


fig: Current flow during +ve half-cycle

- In the next half cycle, when the polarity of ac voltage reverses hence pt B becomes +ve diodes D₃ & D₄ are forward biased, while D₁ & D₂ reverse biased.

NOW The diodes D_3 & D_4 Conducts in series with the load & the current flows as shown below:-

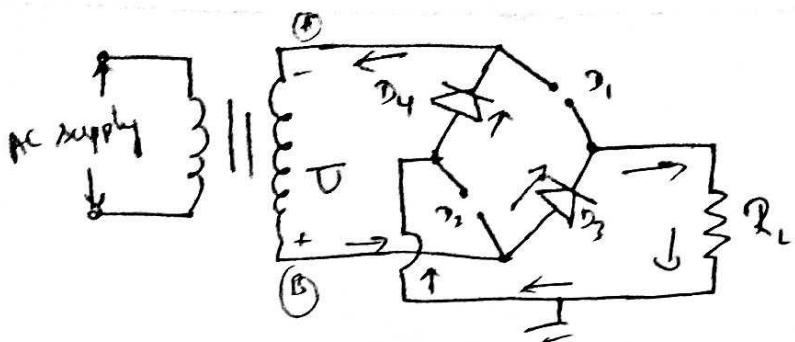


fig: Current flow during one half cycle.

→ It is seen that in both cycles of ac, the load current is flowing in the same direction hence we get a full wave rectified op.

→ The wff's of load current & voltage remain exactly same as fwr as studied earlier.

* Expressions for various parameters :-

$$I_{DC} = \frac{2I_m}{\pi} \quad \& \quad I_{rms} = \frac{I_m}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$I_m = \frac{E_{sm}}{R_s + 2R_f + R_L}$$

[∴ In each half cycle two diodes conduct simultaneously.]

$$PIV = E_{sm}$$

$$E_{DC} = I_{DC} \cdot R_L = \frac{2 E_{sm}}{\pi}$$

$$P_{DC} = I_{DC}^2 \cdot R_L$$

$$= \frac{4}{\pi^2} I_m^2 \cdot R_L$$

$$P_{AC} = I_{rms}^2 (R_s + 2R_f + R_L)$$

$$= \frac{I_{rms}^2 (2R_f + R_s + R_L)}{2}$$

$$\eta = \frac{8R_L}{\pi^2 (R_s + 2R_f + R_L)}$$

$$\% \eta_{max} = 81.2\%$$

$$\gamma = 0.48$$

Advantages:-

- * The o/p voltage is twice than that of FWR.
- * PIV required is half of FWR
- * It does not require center tap transformer.

* Disadvantages :-

- It requires four diodes.
- Power loss in bridge rectifier is high than that of FWR.
- All the four diodes used should be ~~ind~~ identical.

Problems:-

① The four semiconductor diodes used in a bridge rectifier Ckt each having a fwd resistance of 0.1Ω & infinite reverse resistance, feed a d.c current of $10A$ to a resistive load from a sinusoidally varying alternating supply of $30V$ (rms). Determine the resistance of the load & the efficiency of the Ckt.

Soln :- $E_{sm} = E_{sm}(\text{rms}) \times \sqrt{2}$

$$= \sqrt{2} \times 30 = \underline{42.4264V}$$

$$I_{DC} = \frac{2I_m}{\pi}$$

DC

$$\underline{I_m} = \frac{\pi I_{DC}}{2} = \frac{\pi \times 10}{2} = \underline{15.7079A}$$

$$\frac{2E_{sm}}{R_f + R_s}$$

$$I_m = \frac{E_{sm}}{2R_f + R_s + R_L}$$

$$15.7079 = \frac{42.426}{2 \times 0.1 + R_L}$$

$$R_L + 0.2 = 2.7$$

$$\underline{R_L = 2.5 \Omega}$$

$$\therefore P_{DC} = I_{DC}^2 \cdot R_L \\ = 10^2 \times 2.5 = \underline{\underline{250W}}$$

$$P_{AC} = I_{RMS}^2 (2R_f + R_s + R_L)$$

$$I_{RMS} = \frac{I_m}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{15.7079}{\sqrt{2}} = \underline{\underline{11.1071A}}$$

$$\therefore P_{AC} = (11.1071)^2 [2 \times 0.1 + 2.5] \\ = \underline{\underline{333.092W}}$$

$$\% \eta = \frac{P_{DC}}{P_{AC}} \times 100$$

$$= \frac{250}{333.092} \times 100$$

$$= \underline{\underline{75.05 \%}}$$

② A 5kΩ load is fed from a bridge rectifier connected across a transformer secondary whose primary is connected to 460V, 50Hz supply. The ratio of no of primary turns to secondary turns is 2:1. Calculate d.c load current, dc load voltage, ripple voltage & PIV rating of diode.

Soln :-

$$\frac{E_s}{E_p} = \frac{N_2}{N_1} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$E_s = \frac{E_p}{2} = \underline{\underline{230}} \text{ V}$$

$$E_{sm} = \sqrt{2} \times E_s = \sqrt{2} \times 230 = \underline{\underline{325.269}} \text{ V}$$

$$I_{DC} = \frac{2I_m}{\pi} \quad \text{where } I_m = \frac{E_{sm}}{R_L} \text{ neglecting } R_f$$

$$\therefore I_{DC} = \frac{2E_{sm}}{\pi R_L} = \frac{2 \times 325.269}{\pi \times 5k} = \underline{\underline{41.41}} \text{ mA}$$

$$E_{DC} = I_{DC} \cdot R_L = 41.41 \times 10^{-3} \times 5 \times 10^3 = \underline{\underline{207.072}} \text{ V}$$

Ripple voltage = Ripple factor × V_{DC}

Ripple factor for bridge rectifiers is 0.482

$$\text{Ripple voltage} = 0.482 \times 207.072$$

$$= \underline{\underline{99.8}} \text{ V}$$

$$\text{PIV} = E_{sm} = \underline{\underline{325.27}}$$

- (3) A FWBR is supplied from 230V, 50Hz & uses a transformer of turns ratio of 15:1. It uses load resistance of 50Ω. Calculate load voltage & ripple $\sqrt{2}$. Assume ideal diode & transformer. Assume std value of ripple factor for FWBR.

Soln:-

$$\frac{E_{P\text{ rms}}}{E_{S\text{ rms}}} = \frac{N_1}{N_2}$$

$$E_{S\text{ (rms)}} = \frac{N_2}{N_1} E_{P\text{ (rms)}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{15} \times 230 = \underline{15.33V}$$

$$\therefore E_{Sm} = \sqrt{2} \times E_{S\text{ (rms)}} = \sqrt{2} \times 15.33 = \underline{\underline{21.684V}}$$

$$\therefore I_m = \frac{E_{Sm}}{R_s + 2R_f + R_L} = \frac{21.684}{50} = \underline{\underline{0.4336A}}$$

$$I_{DC} = \frac{I_m}{\pi} = \frac{2 \times 0.4336}{\pi} = \underline{\underline{0.276A}}$$

$$E_{DC} = I_{DC} \cdot R_L = 0.276 \times 50 = \underline{\underline{13.8V}}$$

$$\text{Ripple factor} = 0.482$$

$$= \frac{\text{AC rms o/p}}{\text{DC o/p}} = \frac{\text{Ripple voltage}}{E_{DC}}$$

$$0.482 = \frac{\text{Ripple } \sqrt{2}}{\underline{\underline{13.8}}}$$

$$\therefore \text{Ripple voltage} = 0.482 \times 13.8 = \underline{\underline{6.6516V}}$$

- (4) In FWR, the transformer secondary voltage is 100 sin wt. The forward resistance of each diode is 25Ω & the load resistance is 950Ω. Calculate (i) DC output voltage (ii) ripple factor (iii) efficiency of rectification (iv) PIV across non-conducting diode.

Soln:-

$$E_s = 100 \sin \omega t$$

$$\therefore E_{sm} = 100 V$$

$$(i) E_{DC} = I_{DC} \cdot R_L$$

$$I_{DC} = \frac{2I_m}{\pi}$$

$$I_m = \frac{E_{sm}}{R_L + 2R_f} = \frac{100}{950 + 2 \times 25} = \underline{\underline{0.1 A}}$$

$$\therefore I_{DC} = \frac{2 \times 0.1}{\pi} = \underline{\underline{63.66 mA}}$$

$$\therefore E_{DC} = 63.66 \text{mA} \times 950 = \underline{\underline{60.478 V}}$$

$$(ii) \text{ Ripple factor} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{I_{rms}}{I_{DC}}\right)^2 - 1}$$

$$I_{rms} = \frac{I_m}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{0.1}{\sqrt{2}} = \underline{\underline{0.0707 A}}$$

$$\therefore \text{Ripple factor} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{0.0707}{0.06366}\right)^2 - 1} = \underline{\underline{0.4831}}$$

$$(iii) P_{DC} = I_{DC}^2 \cdot R_L$$

$$= (0.06366)^2 \times 950$$

$$= \underline{3.849} \text{ W}$$

$$P_{AC} = I_{rms}^2 [2R_f + R_L]$$

$$= (0.0707)^2 [2 \times 25 + 950]$$

$$= \underline{4.9984} \text{ W}$$

$$\therefore \% \eta = \frac{P_{DC}}{P_{AC}} \times 100 = \frac{3.8499}{4.9984} \times 100$$

$$= \underline{\underline{77.022\%}}$$

(iv) PIV rating = E_{sm} for BR

<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Full wave</u>		
	<u>Half wave</u>	<u>Center tapped</u>	<u>Bridge</u>
<u>I_{DC}</u>	<u>$1 \text{ m}/\pi$</u>	<u>$0.5 \text{ m}/\pi$</u>	<u>$0.5 \text{ m}/\pi$</u>
<u>I_{rms}</u>	<u>$1 \text{ m}/2$</u>	<u>$1 \text{ m}/\pi$</u>	<u>$1 \text{ m}/\pi$</u>
<u>Z</u>	<u>1.21</u>	<u>0.48</u>	<u>0.48</u>
<u>η</u>	<u>$0.406 \frac{R_L}{R_L + R_S + R_f}$</u>	<u>$0.812 \frac{R_L}{R_L + R_S + R_f}$</u>	<u>$0.812 \frac{R_L}{R_S + 2R_f + R_L}$</u>
<u>Center tapped Transformer</u>	<u>NOT Required</u>	<u>Required</u>	<u>NOT required</u>
<u>No of Diodes</u>	<u>One</u>	<u>Two</u>	<u>Four</u>
<u>PIV</u>	<u>V_m</u>	<u>$2V_m$</u>	<u>V_m</u>

Filter Circuits :-

- * It is seen that the o/p of a half wave or full wave rectifier ckt is not pure d.c., it contains fluctuations or ripple which is undesired.
- * To minimize the ripple in the o/p, filter ckt are used. These ckt are connected b/w the rectifier & load as shown in the fig below:-

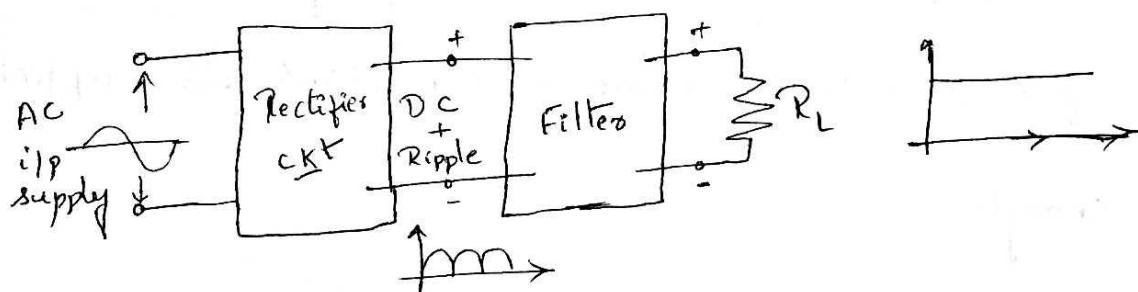


Fig: power supply using rectifier & filter

- * An AC i/p is applied to the rectifier. At the o/p of the rectifier, there will be DC & ripple voltage present, which is the i/p to the filter.
- * Ideally the o/p of the filter should be pure DC. Practically the filter ckt will try to minimize the ripple at the o/p, as far as possible.

* Basically the ripple is ac ie, varying with time, while DC is a constant w.r.t time.

Hence in order to separate DC from ripple, the filter ckt should use components which have widely different impedance for ac & dc.

Two such components are inductance & capacitance. Ideally the inductance acts as a short ckt for d.c. but it has a large impedance for a.c.

Similarly, the capacitor acts as open for d.c. & almost short for a.c., if the value of capacitance is sufficiently large enough.

$$X_L = \frac{1}{2\pi f L} ; X_L = 0 \text{ for } f = 0 \rightarrow \text{high reactance for d.c.}$$

* Ideally, inductance ^{for f = 0} acts as short ckt for d.c, it cannot placed in shunt arm across the load, otherwise the d.c. will be shorted.

Hence, in a filter ckt the inductance is always connected in series with the load. The inductance used in filter ckts is also called "choke".

Similarly since the capacitance is open for d.c ie, it blocks d.c hence it cannot be connected in series with

the load. It is always connected in shunt arm i.e. to the load.

Thus filter is an electronic Ckt composed of C, L or combination of both & connected b/w the rectifier & the load so as to convert pulsating d.c. to pure d.c.

* There are basically two types of filter Ckts:-

- Capacitor i/p filter
- Choke i/p filter.

[Choke i/p filter is not in use \because as inductors are bulky, expensive & consume more power]

* Capacitor i/p filter :-

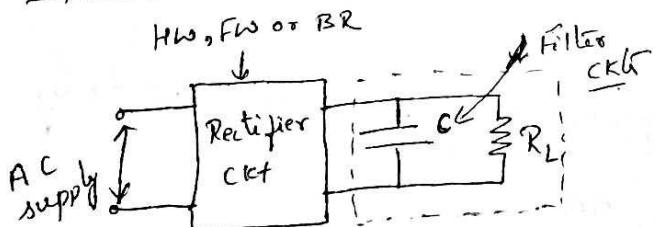


fig: Rectifier with C filter

\rightarrow Looking from the rectifiers side if the first element in the filter Ckt is C, then it is called as capacitor filter.

$$V_{max} = \sqrt{2} V_{rms}$$

$$X_C = \frac{1}{\pi f C}$$

$$I_C = \frac{V_{max}}{X_C}$$

$$I_L = I_C$$

$$V_L = I_L R_L$$

$$V_o = V_L + V_R$$

* Halfwave rectifier with C-filter :-

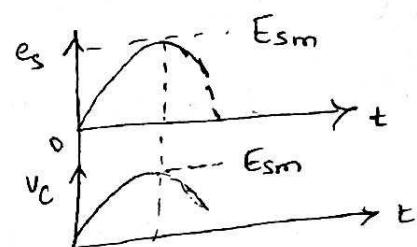
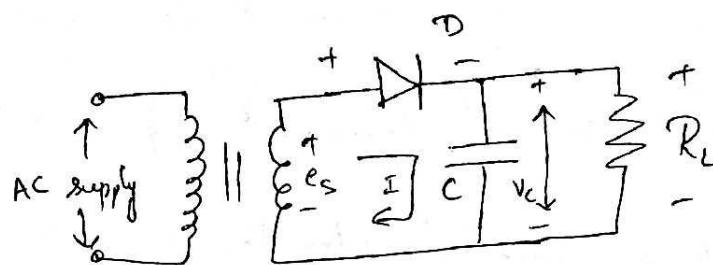


fig: HWR with C filter

- The above fig shows a HWR with a C filter.
- The filter uses a single capacitor connected in ll^{d} with the load R_L .
- During the +ve quarter cycle of the i/p signal e_s the diode is fwd biased.
This charges the capacitor 'C' to peak value of i/p E_{sm} [Pratically C charges to $(E_{sm} - 0.7)$ V due to diode fwd voltage drop].
- This initial charging happens only once immediately when the power is turned on.
- When the i/p starts decreasing below its peak value, the capacitor remains charged at E_{sm} & the ideal diode gets reversed biased. This is b/c capacitor v/t which is cathode v/t of diode becomes more +ve than that of the anode.

→ So during the entire -ve half cycle & some part of the next +ve half cycle, capacitor discharges through R_L as shown in the fig below:-

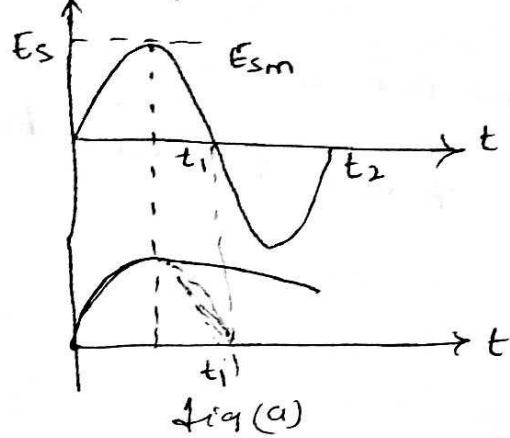
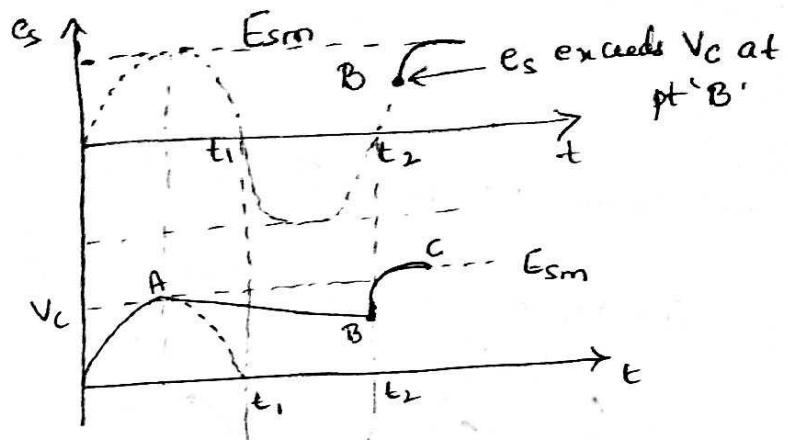


fig (a)



→ Capacitor discharges through load resistance. The discharging of capacitor is decided by $R_L C$ time constant which is very large & hence capacitor discharges very little from E_{sm} .

→ In the next +ve half cycle, when E_s becomes more than capacitor voltage, the diode becomes fwd biased & charges the capacitor C back to E_{sm} .

→ The capacitor starts charging at pt 'B' where E_s exceeds the capacitor voltage which is slightly less than E_{sm} . So from 'B' onwards the capacitor starts charging again & gets charged to E_{sm} as shown in the above fig (b).

→ The discharging of the capacitor is from A to B. The capacitor voltage is same as the O/p o/p as it is in parallel with R_L .

→ From pt A to B the diode remains non-conducting & conduct only for the period from B to C as shown below:-

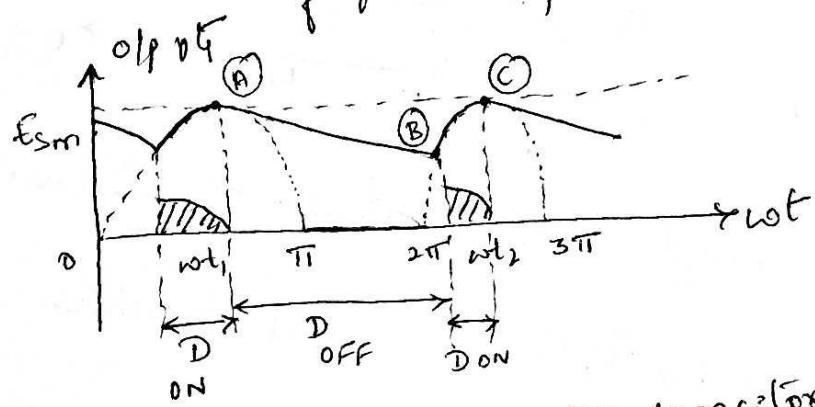
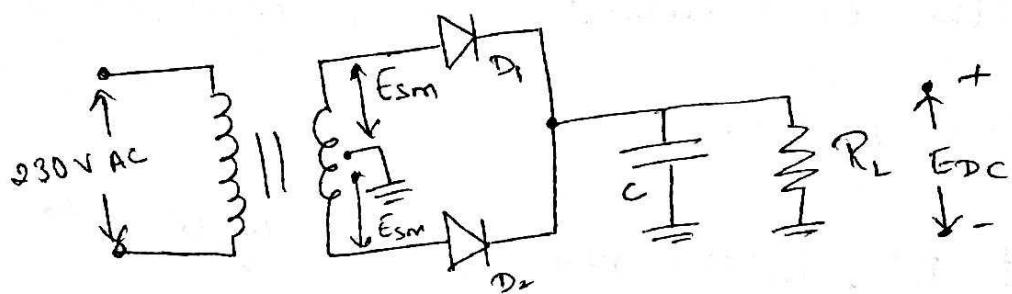


fig: Halfwave rectifier o/p with capacitor filter

→ When the diode is non-conducting the capacitor supplies the load current.

As the time required by the capacitor is very small to charge while its discharging time constant is very large, the ripple in the o/p gets reduced considerably.

*Fullwave Rectifier with capacitor input filter :-



fig(a): Capacitor clip filter in FWR

→ The capacitor filter used in FWR is as shown in the above fig.

→ Immediately when power is turned on, the C gets charged through fwd biased diode D_1 to E_{sm} during 1st quarter cycle of the rectified o/p $\sqrt{2}V$.

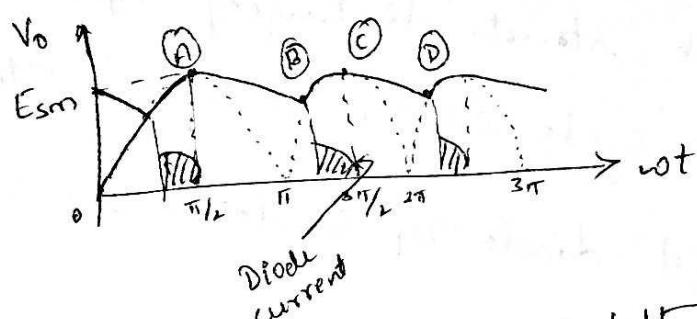


fig (b): FWR o/p with C filter

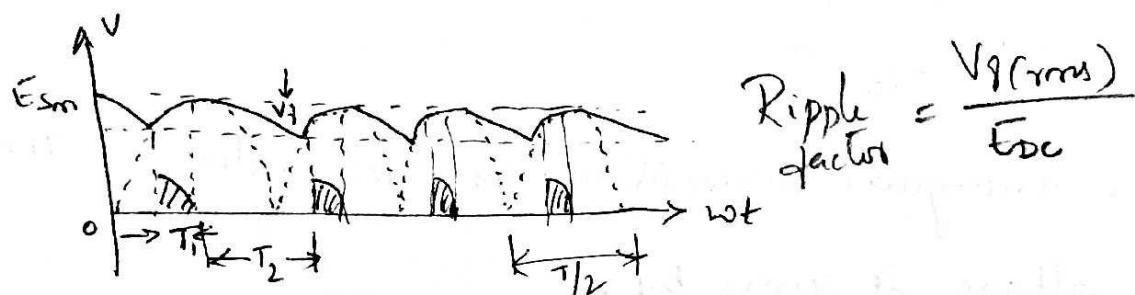
- (A) - (B) C discharges
- (B) - (C) C recharges

→ In the next quarter cycle from $\pi/2$ to π , the C starts discharging through R_L . Once capacitor gets charged to E_{sm} , the diode D_1 becomes reverse biased & stops conducting.

- So during the period $\pi/2$ to π , the capacitor C supplies the load current. It discharges to pt 'B' as shown in fig (b).
- At pt 'B', in the next quarter cycle π to $3\pi/2$ of rectified o/p V_L , the i/p V_L exceeds capacitor voltage, making D_2 fwd biased. This charges C back to E_m at pt 'C'.
- The time required by C to charge to E_m is quite small & only for the period diode D_2 is conducting.
- Again at pt 'C', diode D_2 stops conducting & C supplies load & starts discharging upto pt 'D' in the next quarter cycle of the rectified o/p V_L .
At this pt diode D_1 conducts to charge capacitor back to E_m .
- When the capacitor is discharging through the load resistance R_L both the diodes are non-conducting. Hence the C supplies the load current.

* Approximate analysis of Capacitor filter :-

→ Consider an opamp for a FWR Ckt using a C i/p filter as shown below :-



fig(a) : Derivation of Ripple factor

let T = Time period of the ac i/p $\sqrt{2}$

$T/2$ = Half of the time period

T_1 = Time for which diode is conducting

T_2 = ————— non-conducting

→ During time T_1 , C gets charged & the process is quick.

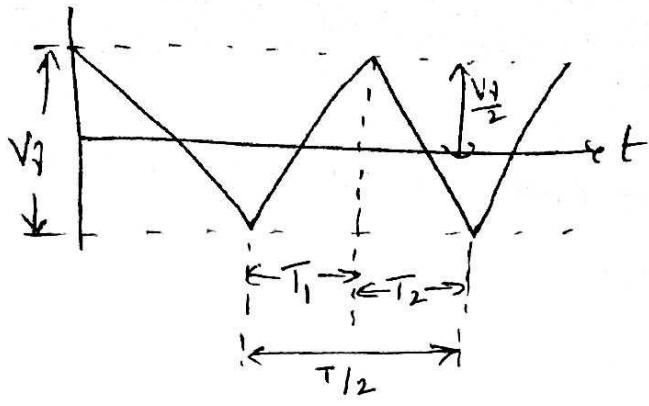
During time T_2 , C gets discharged through R_L . As

The time constant $R_L C$ is very large, discharging

process is very slow & hence $T_2 \gg T_1$.

→ Let V_r be the peak to peak value of ripple voltage which is assumed to be triangular as shown in

the fig (b)



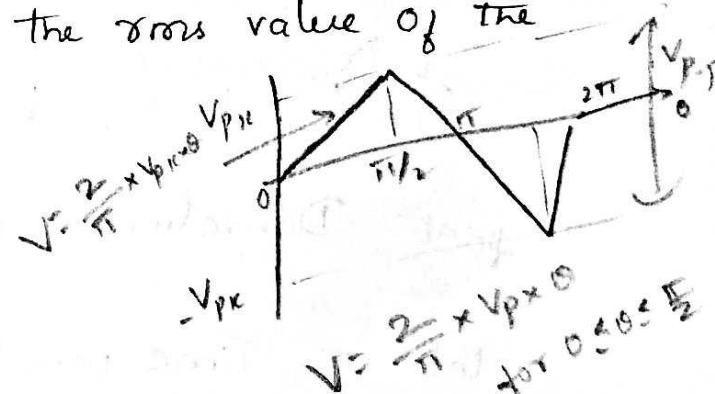
$$V_{rms} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{T/2} \int_0^{T/2} V_1^2 dt} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{T/2} V_{pk}^2 \theta} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{T/2} V_{pk}^2} \approx 0.577 V_{pk}$$

$$I_2 = \frac{V_2}{R_L}, \quad I_{dc} = \frac{I_{dc}}{fC}, \quad I_2 = \frac{V_2 C}{T_{DC}}$$

$$T_2 = \frac{V_2 C}{I_{DC}}, \quad T_2 = \frac{V_2}{I_{DC} R_L}$$

→ For triangular assumption the rms value of the ripple voltage is given by,

$$V_1 (\text{rms}) = \frac{V_1}{2\sqrt{3}}$$



→ During the time interval T_2 , the Capacitor C is discharging through the load resistance R_L . The charge lost is,

$$Q = CV_1$$

$$\text{But } i = \frac{dQ}{dt} \text{ hence } Q = \int_0^{T_2} i dt = I_{DC} T_2$$

gives an average or d.c. value.

$$\rightarrow \text{Hence } I_{DC} T_2 = CV_1 \text{ ie, } V_1 = \frac{I_{DC} T_2}{C}$$

$$\text{Now, } T_1 + T_2 = T/2 \text{ & } T_2 \gg T_1$$

$$\therefore T_1 + T_2 = T_2 = T/2 \text{ where } T = 1/f$$

$$\therefore V_2 = \frac{I_{DC}}{C} \left[\frac{T}{2} \right]$$

$$= \frac{I_{DC} \times T}{\partial C} = \frac{I_{DC}}{\partial f_C}$$

But $I_{DC} = \frac{E_{DC}}{R_L}$

$\therefore V_2 = \frac{E_{DC}}{\partial f_C R_L} = \text{Peak to peak ripple voltage}$
for full wave.

$$E_{DC} = \frac{1}{V_2 2 f_C R_L}$$

→ The ripple factor is defined as the ratio of rms value of the a.c. component to the d.c. component.

$$\therefore \text{Ripple factor} = \frac{V_2 (\text{rms})}{E_{DC}} = \frac{V_2}{2\sqrt{3}} \times \frac{1}{V_2 2 f_C R_L}$$

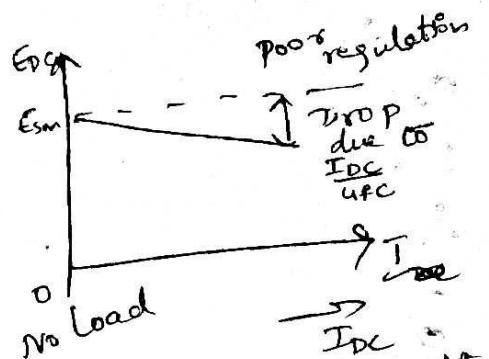
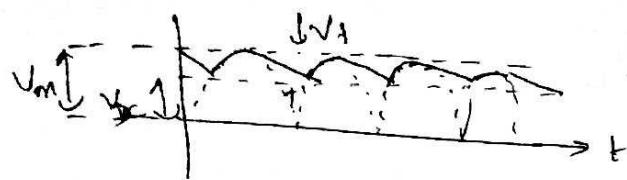
$$= \frac{1}{4\sqrt{3} f_C R_L}$$

→ For HWR with C filter,

$$\text{Ripple factor} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{3} f_C R_L} \quad [\because T_1 + T_2 = T]$$

→ The d.c o/p vts from a capacitor filter fed from a FWR is given by, $E_{DC} = E_{Sm} - \frac{V_2}{2}$

$$\therefore E_{DC} = E_{sm} - I_{DC} \left[\frac{1}{4fc} \right]$$



& for HWR is given by,

$$E_{DC} = E_{sm} - I_{DC} \left[\frac{1}{2fc} \right] \quad \left(\therefore V_{DC} = V_m - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\alpha} \right)$$

From the above expression, it can be seen that as the current drawn by the load & the d.c o/p vtr \downarrow .

Hence having poor regulation $\Rightarrow \frac{V_{rms}}{V_{DC}} = \frac{RMS \text{ voltage}}{\text{Ripple factor}}$

$$\therefore \frac{V_{rms}}{V_{DC}} = \frac{I_{DC}}{4\sqrt{3}fc} \quad \text{for FWR}$$

$$\frac{1}{4\sqrt{3}fc R_L} = \frac{V_{rms}}{E_{DC}} = \frac{V_{rms}}{I_{DC} R_L}$$

$$\frac{V_{rms}}{V_{DC}} = \frac{I_{DC}}{2\sqrt{3}fc} \quad \text{for HWR}$$

$$\frac{V_{rms}}{V_{DC}} = \frac{I_{DC}}{4\sqrt{3}fc} \quad V(FW)$$

$$\frac{V_{rms}}{V_{DC}} = \frac{1}{4\sqrt{3}fc R_L} \quad FWR$$

$$\frac{V_{rms}}{V_{DC}} = \frac{1}{4\sqrt{3}fc R_L} \quad V(FW)$$

$$V_{DC} = V_m - \frac{V_{(P-P)}}{2}$$

$$V_{DC} = I_{DC} \cdot R_L$$

$$\therefore \frac{V_{rms}}{V_{DC}} = \frac{1}{4\sqrt{3}fc R_L} \quad FWR$$

$$\therefore \frac{V_{rms}}{V_{DC}} = \frac{I_{DC}}{4\sqrt{3}fc} \quad HWR$$

$$\therefore \frac{V_{rms}}{V_{DC}} = \frac{I_{DC}}{2\sqrt{3}fc} \quad HWR$$

Advantages :-

- less no. of Components
- low ripple factor hence low ripple voltage
- Suitable for high voltage at small load currents.

Disadvantages :-

- Ripple factor depends on load resistance
- Not suitable for variable loads as ripple content ↑ & $R_L \downarrow$
- Regulation is poor.

Problems :-

- ① In a HWR Ckt fed from 230V, 50Hz mains it is desired to have a ripple factor $\gamma \leq 0.005$. Estimate the value of the capacitance needed $I_L = 0.5\text{ A}$

Soln:- $E_{s(\text{rms})} = 230\text{V}$, $f = 50\text{Hz}$, $\gamma = 0.005$

$$\therefore E_{sm} = \sqrt{2} \times E_{s(\text{rms})} = \sqrt{2} \times 230 = \underline{\underline{325.269\text{V}}}$$

$$\therefore \text{for HWR}, \gamma = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{3} \times f \times C \times R_L}$$

$$0.005 = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{3} \times 50 \times C \times R_L}$$

$$\text{Now } R_L = \frac{E_{DC}}{I_L}$$

$$= \frac{E_{Sm}}{\pi I_L}$$

$$= \frac{325.269}{\pi \times 0.5}$$

$$= \underline{\underline{207.072 \Omega}}$$

$$\therefore C = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{3} \times 50 \times 0.005 \times 207.072}$$

$$C = \underline{\underline{5.576 \text{ mF}}}$$

- ② In a FWR with capacitor filter the load current from the ckt operating from 230V, 50Hz supply is 10mA. Estimate the value of capacitor required to keep the ripple factor less than 1%.

Soln:- $E_{Sm} = 230V, f = 50\text{Hz}, I_L = 10\text{mA} \text{ & } \gamma = 0.01 \text{ (1%.)}$

$$\therefore E_{Sm} = \sqrt{2} \times E_{S(\text{rms})} = \sqrt{2} \times 230 = \underline{\underline{325.269 \text{ V}}}$$

$$R_L = \frac{E_{DC}}{I_L} = \frac{0 E_{Sm}}{\pi I_L} = \frac{2 \times 325.269}{\pi \times 10 \times 10^3} = \underline{\underline{20.7 \text{ k}\Omega}}$$

\therefore Ripple factor for FWR is,

$$\gamma = \frac{1}{4\sqrt{3} + CR_L}$$

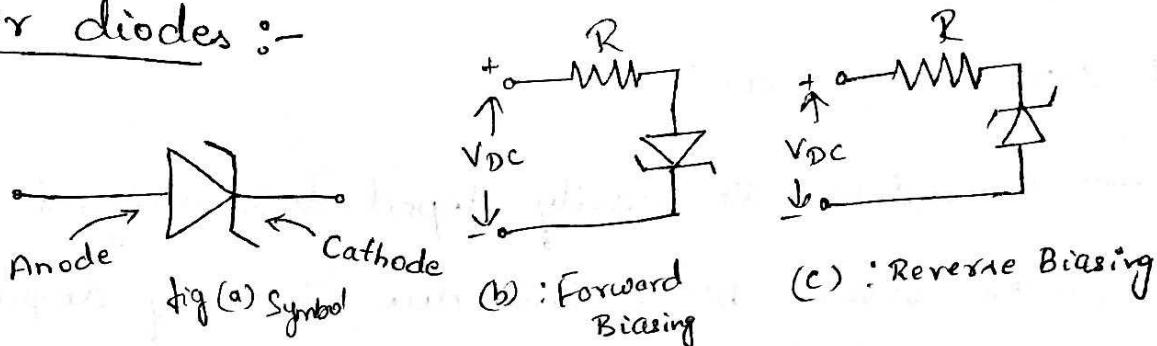
$$0.01 = \frac{1}{4\sqrt{3} \times 50 \times C \times 20.7 \times 10^3}$$

$$C = \frac{1}{4\sqrt{3} \times 50 \times 0.01 \times 20.7 \times 10^3}$$

$$= 1.39 \times 10^{-5} F$$

$$= \underline{13.94 \mu F}$$

Zener diodes :-



* The Zener diode is a p-n junction Si diode which is heavily doped & designed to operate under reverse bias condition.

* The Zener diode acts ^{like} to the conventional diode in forward biased, but in reverse biased it is operated in reverse breakdown region.

* When reverse biased, if the reverse current of zener diode is limited by using a series resistance then the power dissipation at the junction is limited to such a level which will not damage the diode & the zener diode continues to operate safely in reverse breakdown region.

* In zener diode there are two distinct mechanisms due to which breakdown occurs in reverse biased p-n junction

- Zener breakdown
- Avalanche breakdown

* Zener breakdown :-

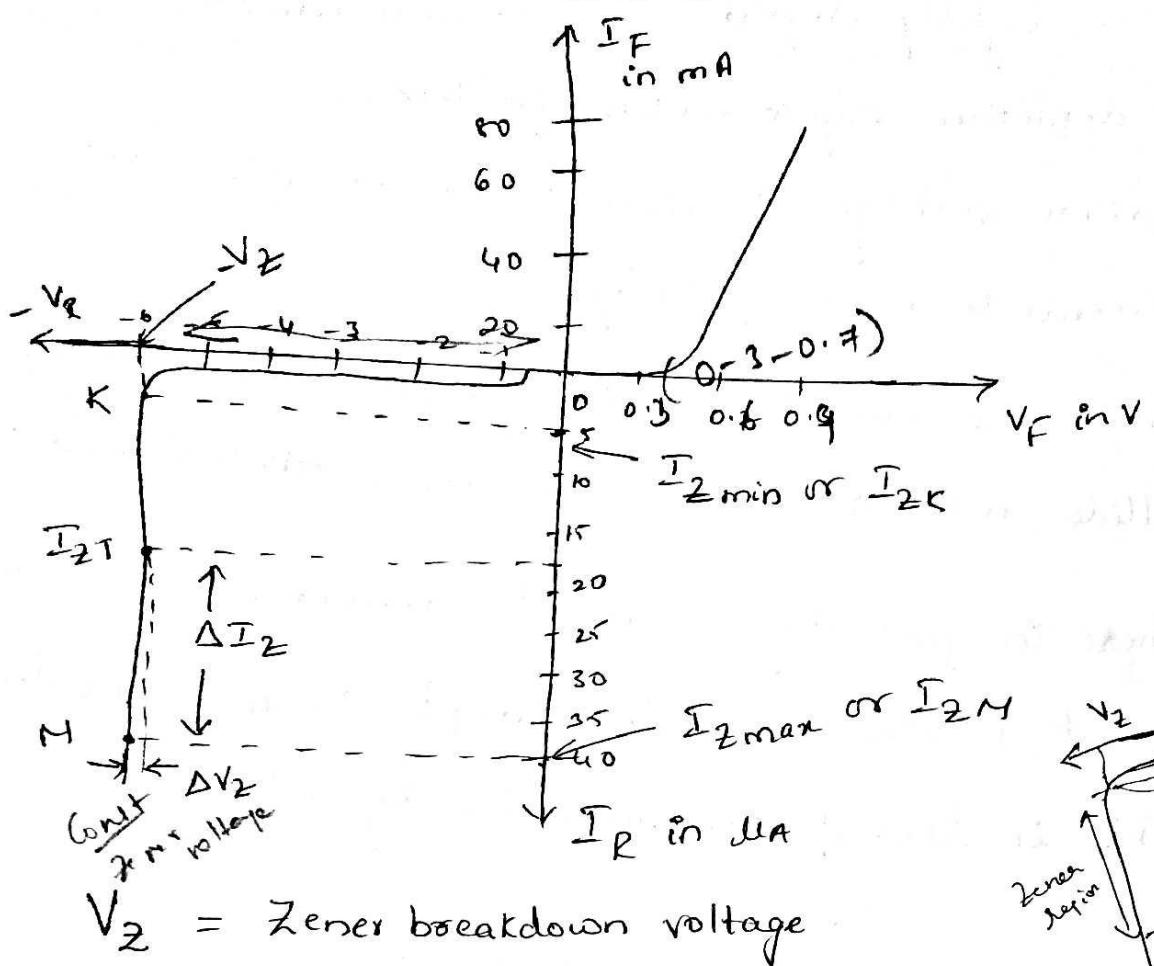
- Zenerdiode is heavily doped & is designed to operate under reverse bias. Since due to heavy doping of P & n layers, the depletion layer becomes very narrow.
- The electric field strength produced by a reverse bias voltage can be very high in the depletion region.
- The high-intensity electric field causes electrons to break away from their atoms thus converting the depletion region from an insulating material into a conductor.
- This is called as ionization by electric field & also called as Zener breakdown & it is usually occurs with reverse bias V_R less than 5-6V.

→ Avalanche breakdown :-

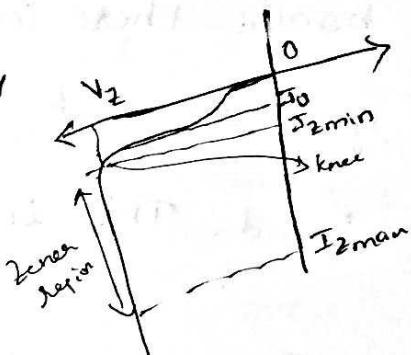
- * Consider a lightly doped p-n junction under reverse bias. The depletion region widens further.
- When reverse voltage \uparrow above 5.6 V it forces the minority carriers to move quickly.
Since these minority carriers get sufficient energy & they collide with atoms & break down ~~of~~ covalent bonds thus in generating additional carriers, these carriers gain sufficient kinetic energy to disrupt the next covalent bond. This is termed as ionization by collision.
- Thus in addition to original carriers a new electron-hole pair gets created, these carriers again generate additional more pairs.

This is a cumulative process of multiplication or carrier multiplication & the current \uparrow sharply & is known as Avalanche breakdown.

* Zener diode chara & parameters :-



V_Z = Zener breakdown voltage



I_{ZT} = Test current to measure V_Z

I_{ZN} = Max Zener Current

I_{ZK} = Min —————

Applications :-

- voltage regulators
- protection ckt
- voltage limiter etc

* Distinguish b/w Zener & Avalanche breakdown:-

Zener diode

1. Breakdown is due to intense electric field across the junction
2. Occurs for zener with zener voltage less than 5.6V
3. The breakdown V_B ↓ as junction temperature ↑.

Avalanche breakdown

1. Breakdown is due to the collision of accelerated charge carriers with the adjacent atoms & due to carrier multiplication.
2. Occurs for zener with zener voltage greater than 5.6V
3. The breakdown V_B ↑ as junction temp ↑.

* Zener diode voltage Regulators:-

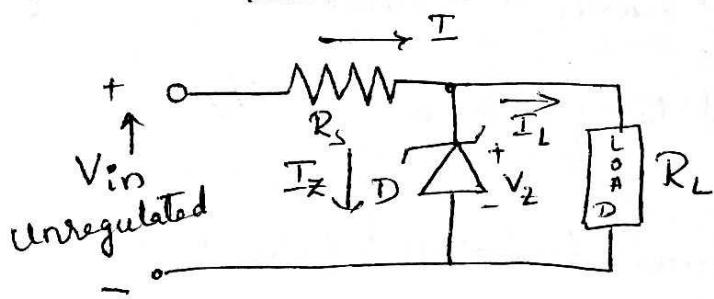


fig: Zener diode as a shunt regulator

→ A Zener diode can be used as a voltage regulator since it maintains a constant op

V_B even though the current through Zener changes.

→ The ckt of zener regulator is as shown in the above fig consisting of an unregulated voltage source V_i connected to ~~current source~~ ^{source} ~~limiting~~ resistor R_S , a zener

diode in π with load resistor R_L .

→ The zener should be selected in such a way that the required regulated o/p voltage V_o should be equal to zener breakdown voltage.

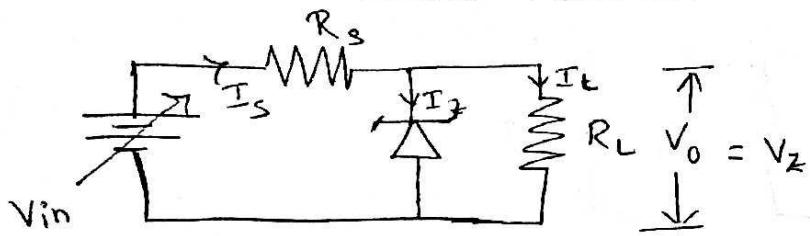
→ In order to work as a regulator the following conditions must be satisfied :-

1. Zener diode must be reverse biased
2. O/p voltage must be greater than zener breakdown voltage.
3. The load current should be less than $I_{z\max}$.
4. The zener diode has a chara that, as long as the current through it is b/w $I_{z\min}$ & $I_{z\max}$, the voltage across it is constant equal to zener voltage V_z .
5. The zener diode is connected in π (shunt) with the R_L the o/p v_t is equal to the zener v_t.
6. The value of R_S can be obtained as,

$$R_S = \frac{V_{in} - V_z}{I_S} \quad \text{ie, } T_S = \frac{V_{in} - V_z}{R_S}$$

$$\& T_S = T_z + T_L$$

→ Regulation with varying i/p voltage (line regulation) :-



→ It can be seen that the o/p is $V_0 = V_z$ is constant

$$\therefore I_L = \frac{V_0}{R_L} = \frac{V_z}{R_L} = \text{constant}$$

$$\& I_s = I_z + I_L$$

→ Now if $V_{in} \uparrow$, then the total current $I_s \uparrow$ but I_L is constant as V_z is constant. Hence $I_z \uparrow$ to keep I_L constant.

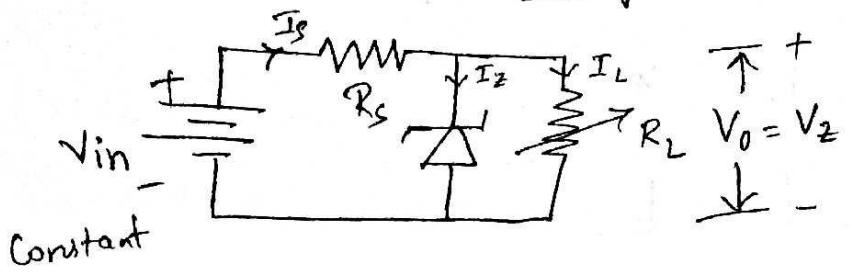
→ But as long as I_z is b/w $I_{z\min}$ & $I_{z\max}$,

O/p vtg V_0 is constant [$\because V_z = \text{constant}$]

→ Thus the changes in i/p vtg get compensated & o/p is maintained constant.

→ If in $V_{in} \downarrow$, the $I_s \downarrow$. But to keep I_L constant $I_z \downarrow$. As long as I_z is b/w $I_{z\max}$ & $I_{z\min}$, the o/p vtg remains constant.

* Regulation with Varying load (load regulation) :-



→ The o/p $\sqrt{V_0}$ is constant while the load resistance R_L is variable.

As V_{in} is constant & $V_0 = V_z$ is also constant.

Then for constant R_s the current I_s is constant.

$$I_s = \frac{V_{in} - V_z}{R_s} \text{ constant} = I_L + I_z$$

Now if $R_L \downarrow$ so $I_L \uparrow$ to keep I_s constant $I_z \downarrow$. But as long as it is b/w $I_{z\min}$ & $I_{z\max}$ o/p $\sqrt{V_0}$ will be constant.

→ If if $R_L \uparrow$ so $I_L \downarrow$ to keep I_s constant $I_z \uparrow$.

But as long as it is b/w $I_{z\min}$ & $I_{z\max}$ o/p $\sqrt{V_0}$ will be constant.

* Designing of R_s :-

Since current through zener diode varies with change in input voltage, proper current through R_s has to be taken.

$$R_{s\min} \leq R_s \leq R_{s\max}$$

When V_i is maximum, I_z is max < $I_{z\text{max}}$ rating

R_s should be selected such that it is min.

$$\therefore R_s = \frac{V_i - V_o}{I_s} = \frac{V_i - V_o}{I_L + I_z}$$

$$V_i = V_{i\text{max}}$$

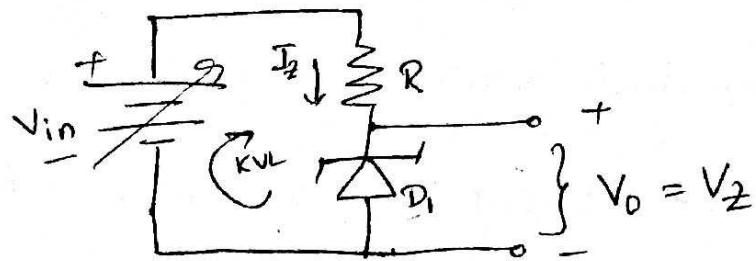
$$I_z = I_{z\text{max}}, \quad I_L = I_{L\text{min}}$$

$$R_{s\min} = \frac{V_{i\text{max}} - V_o}{I_{z\text{max}} + I_L} \quad \text{if } I_L \text{ fixed}$$

if I_L is varying, it is $I_{L\text{min}}$

$$R_{s\max} = \frac{V_{i\text{min}} - V_o}{I_{z\text{min}} + I_L}$$

* Regulators ckt with No load :-



* In the above ckt, the o/p voltage is regulated only with the help of Variable i/p voltage V_{in} .

* Resistor 'R' limits the zener diode current to the desired level.

\therefore By applying KVL to the above ckt we get,

$$-V_{in} + I_z R + V_z = 0$$

$$\therefore V_z = V_{in} - I_z R$$

$$\& I_z = \frac{V_{in} - V_z}{R}$$

- Q. Calculate the ripple voltage of a full wave rectifier with a 120 mF Capacitor connected to a load & load current of 60 mA , freq of AC source of 50 Hz .
- b. If the peak voltage of the rectified wave is 60 V . Calculate the DC voltage.
- c. calculate the ripple factor.

Soln :-

$$\frac{V_{r(\text{rms})}}{V_{dc}} = \gamma = \frac{1}{4\sqrt{3} f R_L C}$$

$$\therefore V_{r(\text{rms})} = \frac{V_{dc}}{4\sqrt{3} f R_L C}$$

$$= \frac{I_{dc}}{4\sqrt{3} f C} = \frac{60 \times 10^{-3}}{4\sqrt{3} \times 50 \times 120 \times 10^{-6}} = 1.44\text{ V}$$

$$\begin{aligned} a. V_{r(p-p)} &= 2\sqrt{3} \times V_{r(\text{rms})} \\ &= 2\sqrt{3} \times 1.44 = \underline{\underline{5\text{ V}}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} b. V_{dc} &= \cancel{V_m} - \frac{V_{r(p-p)}}{2} \\ &= 60 - \frac{5}{2} = \underline{\underline{57.5\text{ V}}} \end{aligned}$$

$$c. \gamma = \frac{1}{4\sqrt{3} f R_L C} = \frac{1.44}{V_{dc}} = \underline{\underline{0.5\%}}$$

④ A FNR has $R_L = 10\text{ k}\Omega$ & a capacitive filter with a capacitance of $C = 20\text{ mF}$. The applied voltage is $V = 50 \sin 2\pi 50t$, calculate its ripple factor.

Soln :-

$$\text{Ripple Factor} = \frac{1}{4\sqrt{3} f C R_L}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4\sqrt{3} \times 50 \times 10 \times 10^3 \times 20 \times 10^6}$$

$$= \underline{\underline{0.0144}}$$