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LAB REPORT

Speed Control of a DC motor by Armature Voltage Control

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- AIM:
 - Use the armature voltage control method to regulate the motor's speed.
 - Show the motor operating at
 - (i) its rated speed
 - (ii) half its rated speed

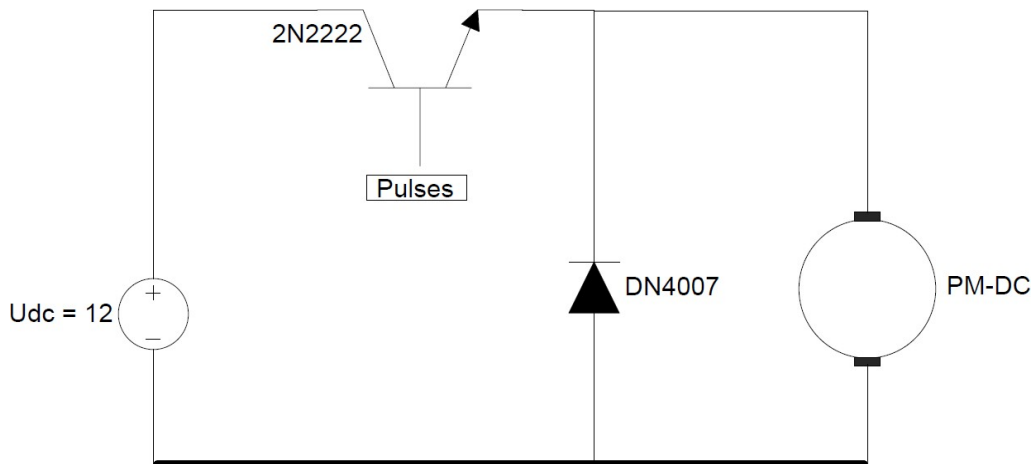
 - MATERIAL'S REQUIRED:
 - 555 Timer IC
 - Potentiometer
 - Capacitors
 - Permanent Magnetic DC Motor (PM-DC Motor)
 - Multiple Power Supply
 - Breadboard
 - Connecting Wires
 - TIP122 – NPN, BJT Transistor
 - Diodes

 - THEORY:
 - Pulse Width Modulation (PWM):
 - By rapidly switching the power going to the electrical device on and off, PWM (Pulse Width Modulation) is a technique used to produce variable voltage. The duty cycle of the signal, or how long the signal is ON compared to how long it is OFF within a certain period of time, affects the average voltage.
 - 555 Timer (Refer Diagram For Details):
 - When configured in an astable mode, the 555 Timer can produce a PWM signal.
 - When the capacitor C1 is charging through the resistors R1 and R2, the output is HIGH.
 - Whereas, when the capacitor C1 is discharging through the resistor R2, the output of the IC is LOW.

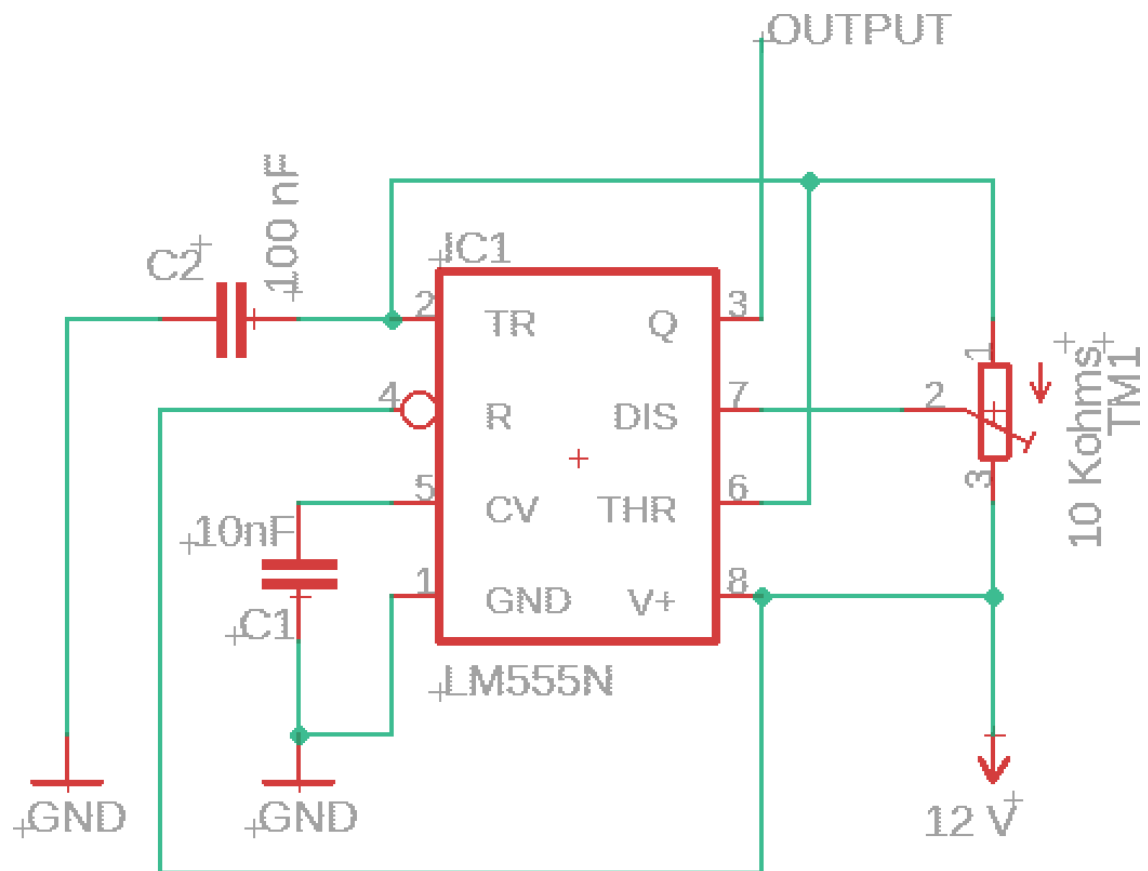
- We can see that changing the values of any one of these three components will result in a square wave output signal with varied ON and OFF periods or a different duty cycle.
- The 555 Timer's control pin is not in use, but it is linked to a 10nF capacitor to filter out any outside noise coming from that terminal.
- To prevent an unauthorised reset of the output, pin number 4, which is active low, is connected to VCC.
- The output of the 555 timer can sink or source a current of 200mA to the load.
- Power Circuit:
- Therefore, if the motor we wish to control is larger than this rating, we must drive it with a transistor or MOSFET.
- A NPN transistor (TIP122) that can take currents of up to 5A was employed.
- We must utilise a freewheeling diode linked in parallel with the motor to prevent any voltage spikes caused by the motor.

- CIRCUIT DIAGRAM:

- Power Circuit:

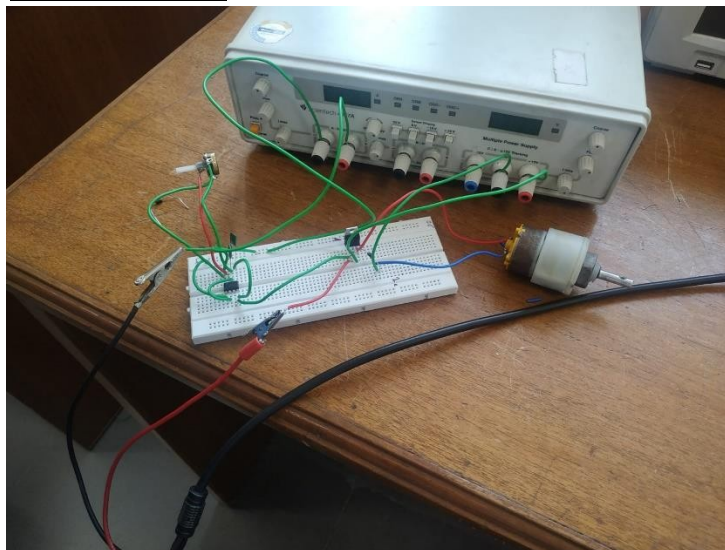


- 555 Timer Circuit:



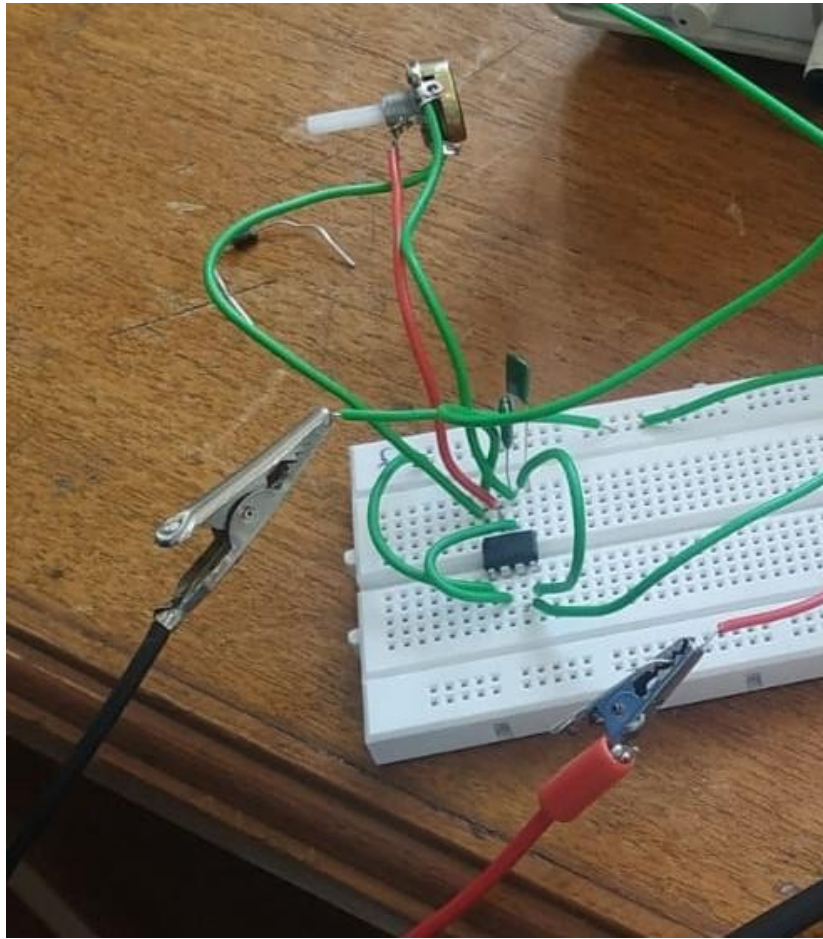
- BREADBOARD SETUP:

- Power Circuit:

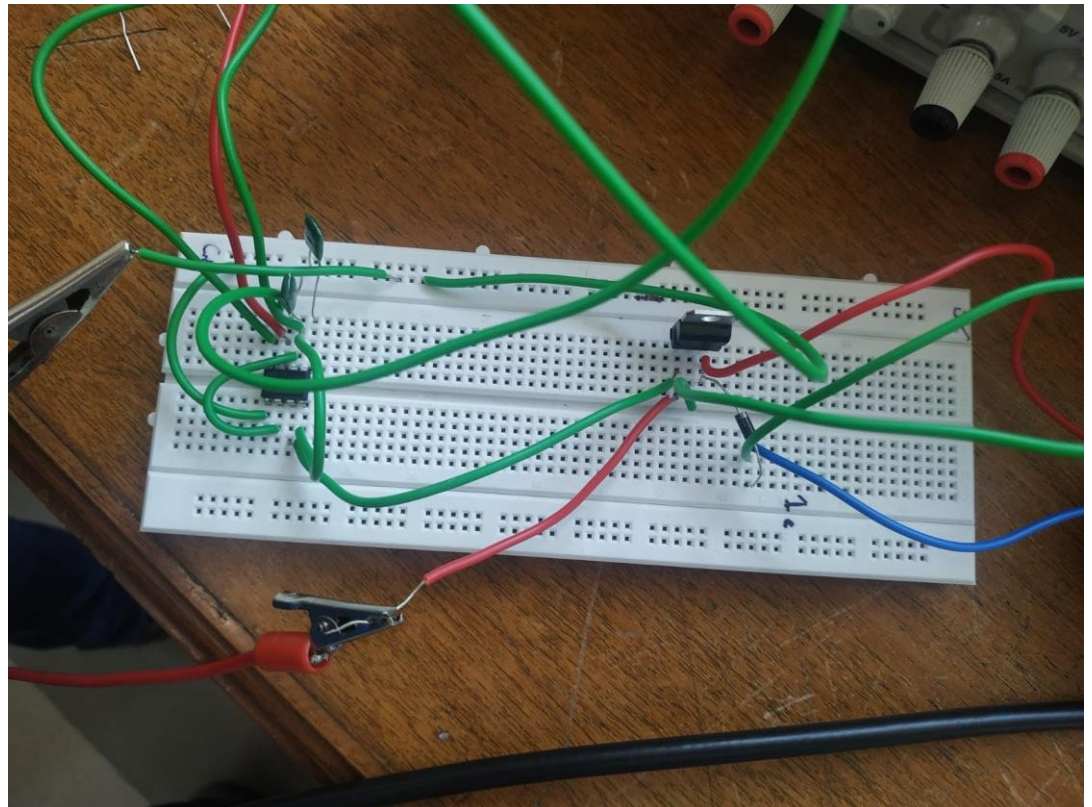


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- Control Circuit:

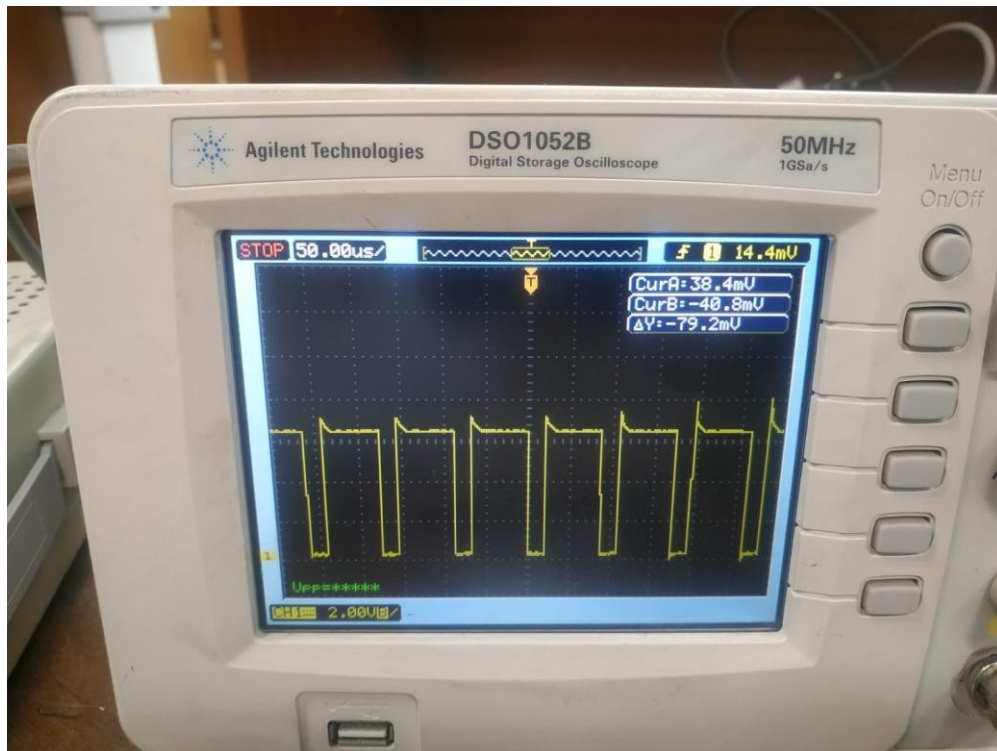


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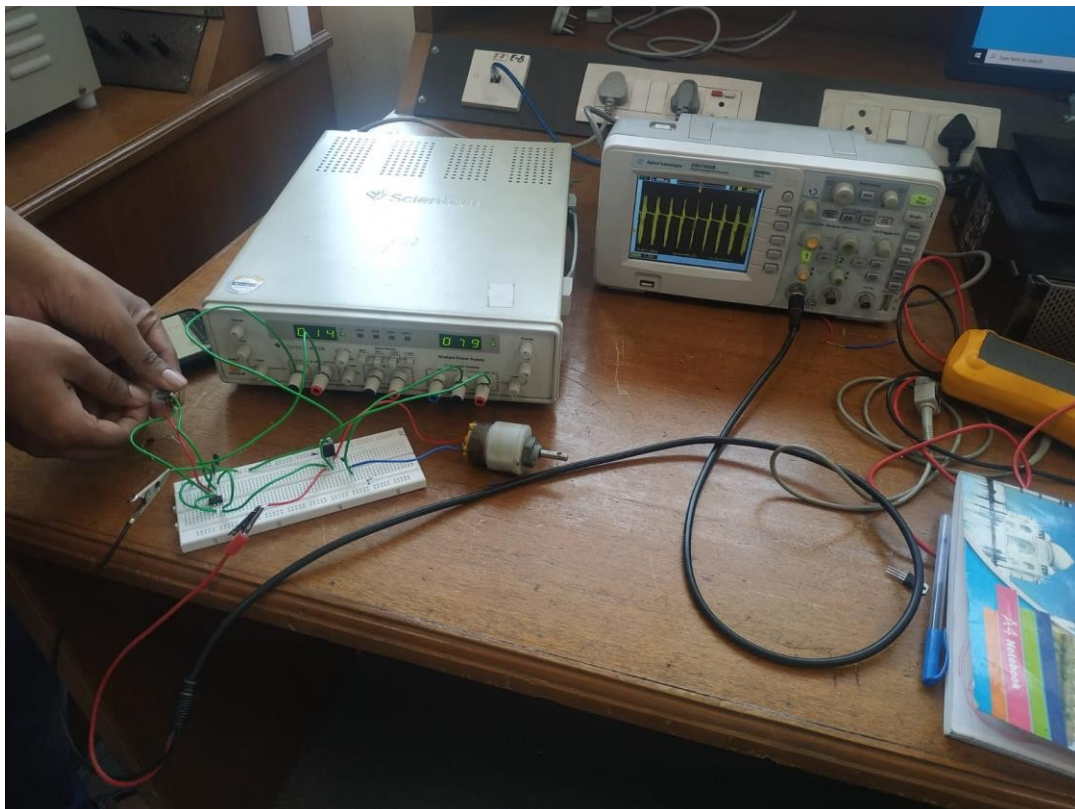


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- DSO IMAGES:



555 Timer DSO Screen



Power Circuit with DSO Screen

- SOURCES OF ERROR:

- Changes are made in the circuit while the circuit is closed
- There are a lot of loose connections.
- Resistance of the wires is not taken into account.
- DSO scale is set in a way such that they are not appropriate for measurement.

- PRECAUTIONS:

- Tools that are insulated should be utilised.
- Electric wires (jumpers) must be clipped properly.
- Shoes that are appropriate for the situation should be worn.
- The circuit should not be left on for an extended period of time.

- CONCLUDING REMARKS:

- By attaching a potentiometer to the DSO, the output waveform for various R1 and R2 values can be evaluated. The following is what we see:
 - R1's value shouldn't tend to zero. If the value is very nearly 0Ω , the circuit faults. Ideally, we should maintain R1's constant value and vary R2. R1 should have a value of no more than $1k\Omega$, while R2 should have a potentiometer with a $100k\Omega$ value.
 - We confirmed that the waveform across the output terminal of the 555 timer IC and the motor are same.
 - When R2 is reduced, motor speed increases, and when R2 is zero, then the motor operates at its fastest.
 - An NPN transistor is used in the circuit (TIP122). In our case, it serves as a switch. The transistor is in the OFF State when the output waveform is 0V.
 - The motor is crossed by a freewheeling diode. When the transistor is in the OFF state, the inductive load of the motor can freewheel via the diode.

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