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Lecture Notes

3EE4-06: Analog Electronics

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COURSE OUTCOMES:

On successful completion of the course, the students will be able to: -

CO1	Understand the characteristics of Diodes, concepts behind the Clippers, and Clampers. Design and analysis of various rectifier and amplifier circuits
CO2	Analyze the characteristics of current flow in a bipolar junction transistor and MOSFET & different electronic devices such as Amplifiers
CO3	Understand the dynamics of Linear & Non Linear Devices

Syllabus



RAJASTHAN TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY, KOTA SYLLABUS

2nd Year - III Semester: B.Tech. (Electrical Engineering)

3EE4-06: Analog Electronics

Credit: 3
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Max. Marks: 150 (IA:30, ETE:120)
End Term Exam: 3 Hours

SN		Hours
1.	Diode circuits P-N junction diode, I-V characteristics of a diode; review of half-wave and full-wave rectifiers, Zener diodes, clamping and clipping circuits.	4
2.	BJT circuits Structure and I-V characteristics of a BJT; BJT as a switch. BJT as an amplifier: small-signal model, biasing circuits, current mirror; common-emitter, common-base and common collector amplifiers; Small signal equivalent circuits, high-frequency equivalent circuits.	8
3.	MOSFET circuits MOSFET structure and I-V characteristics. MOSFET as a switch. MOSFET as an amplifier: small-signal model and biasing circuits, common-source, common-gate and common-drain amplifiers; small signal equivalent circuits - gain, input and output impedances, transconductance, high frequency equivalent circuit.	8
4.	Differential, multi-stage and operational amplifiers Differential amplifier; power amplifier; direct coupled multi-stage amplifier; internal structure of an operational amplifier, ideal op-amp, non-idealities in an op-amp (Output offset voltage, input bias current, input offset current, slew rate, gain bandwidth product)	8
5.	Linear applications of op-amp Idealized analysis of op-amp circuits. Inverting and non-inverting amplifier, differential amplifier, instrumentation amplifier, integrator, active filter, P, PI and PID controllers and lead/lag compensator using an op-amp, voltage regulator, oscillators (Wein bridge and phase shift). Analog to Digital Conversion.	8
6.	Nonlinear applications of op-amp Hysteretic Comparator, Zero Crossing Detector, Square-wave and triangular-wave generators, Precision rectifier, peak detector. Monoshot	6
TOTAL		42

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Unit: 1
Chapter: Diode Circuits

Unit - 1

P-N Junction Diodes

Basic introduction to semiconductors

Semiconductors are a special class of elements having a conductivity between that of a good conductor and that of an insulator.

It can be pure as silicon or germanium or compounds such as gallium arsenide or cadmium selenide.

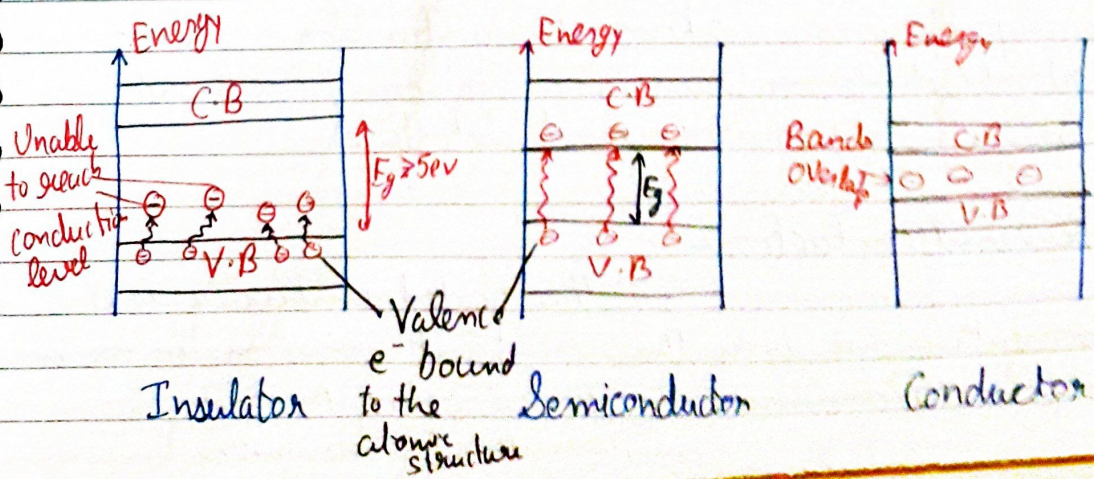
→ Single-crystal semiconductor
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 Compound semiconductor

* Most commonly frequently used are Ge, Si, and GaAs.

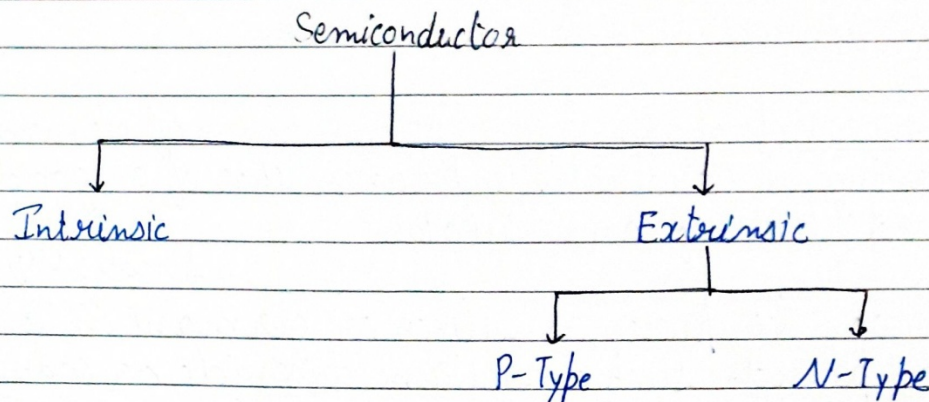
Insulator - Material that does not conduct electrical current. eg: paper, plastic, rubber etc

Conductor - Material or substances which allow electricity to flow through them. eg: coppers etc.

Energy Levels - $E_g = 0.67 \text{ eV (Ge)}$; $E_g = 1.1 \text{ eV (Si)}$; $E_g = 1.43 \text{ eV (GaAs)}$



Semiconductor Types -



Intrinsic Semiconductor -

A pure form of semiconductors

- * Conduction is either due to thermal excitation or crystal defects - example Si, Ge, CrAs (Gallium Arsenide) etc.
- * Number of holes is equal to number of free electrons

Extrinsic Semiconductor -

A semiconductor doped by a specific impurity which is able to deeply modify its electrical properties, making it suitable for electronic applications (diode, ~~or~~ transistors etc) or optoelectronic applications (light emitters and detectors).

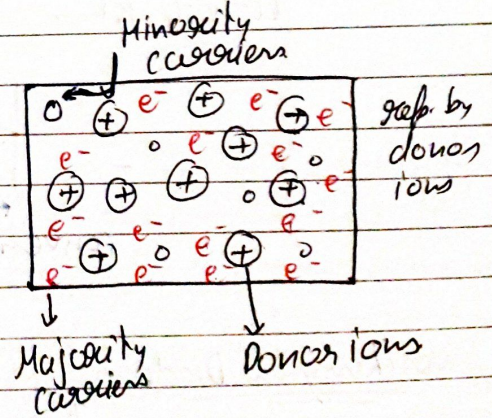
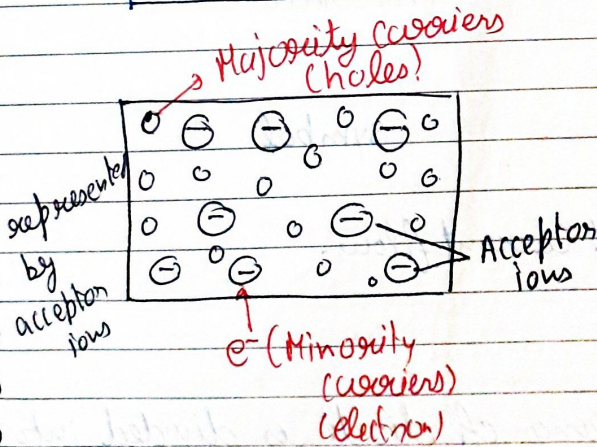
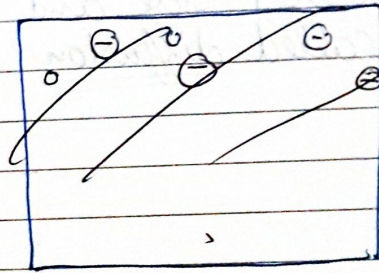
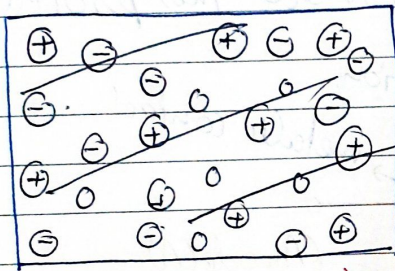
N-Type Semiconductor -

If the added impurity is a pentavalent atom then the resultant semiconductor is N-type semiconductor eg: Phosphorus, Arsenic, Bismuth, Antimony etc.

P-type Semiconductor:-

If the added impurity is a trivalent atom then the resultant semiconductor is called P-type semiconductor. examples:- Boron, Gallium, indium etc.

N-type & P-type:-



P-type

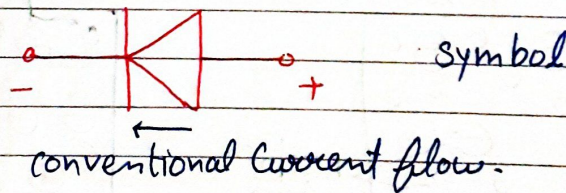
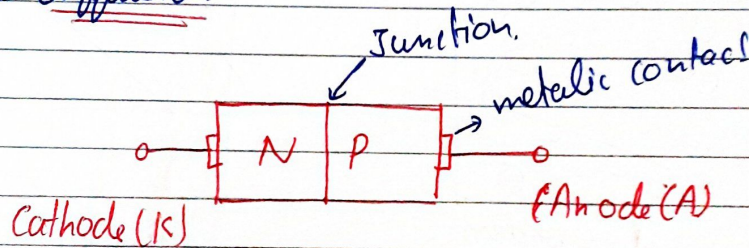
N-type

Semiconductor Diode (P-N Junction) diode -

Construction

When a P-type material is ^{diffused} joined with an N-type material by using doping technique. A Junction is formed and is called P-N Junction diode.

The working of N-type material has high concentration of free electrons, while P-type material has high concentration of holes. Hence at the junction there is a tendency of free electrons to diffuse over to the P-side and holes to the N side. This process is called diffusion.

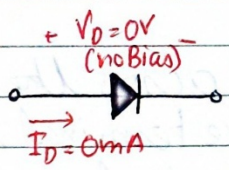
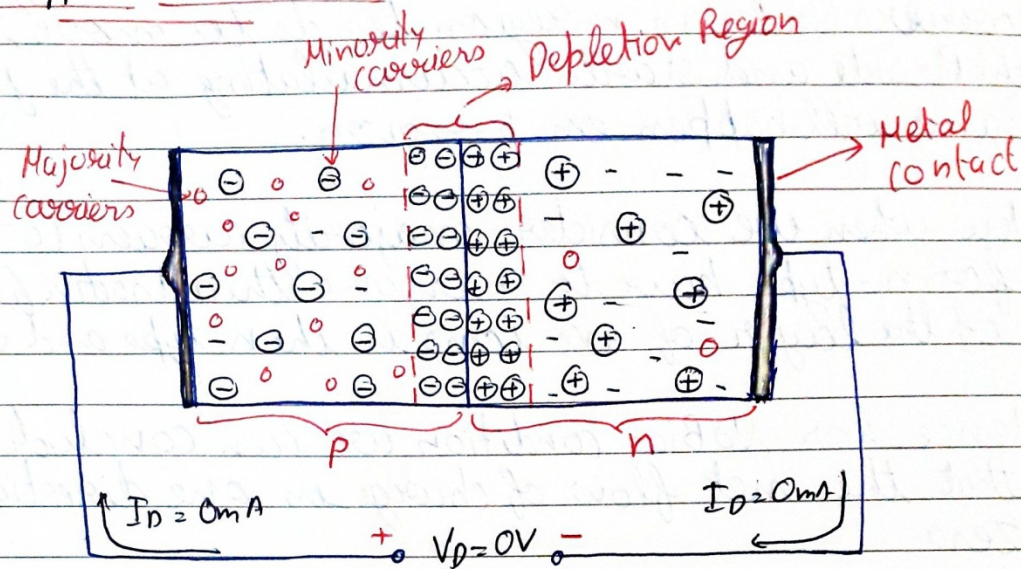


Working of Diode -

The working of diode is divided into 3 types

- ① No Applied Bias ($V_D = 0V$)
- ② Reverse Bias Condition ($V_D < 0V$)
- ③ Forward Bias Condition ($V_D > 0V$)

① No Applied Bias ($V = 0V$)



a) Internal Distribution of charge
 b) Diode symbol, with the defined polarity and the current direction.

From the above figure, when the two materials are joined, the electron and holes in the region of the junction will combine which results the lack of free carriers near the junction. The accumulation of charge carriers near the junction (ie negative ions on P-Side and positive ions on n side) forms depletion region due to the depletion of free carriers in the region.

For No-Bias condition, no external voltage is applied ie $V = 0V$ and the current (majority) is also zero.
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Biasing - The setting of initial operating conditions (current and voltage) of an active device. is an amplifier

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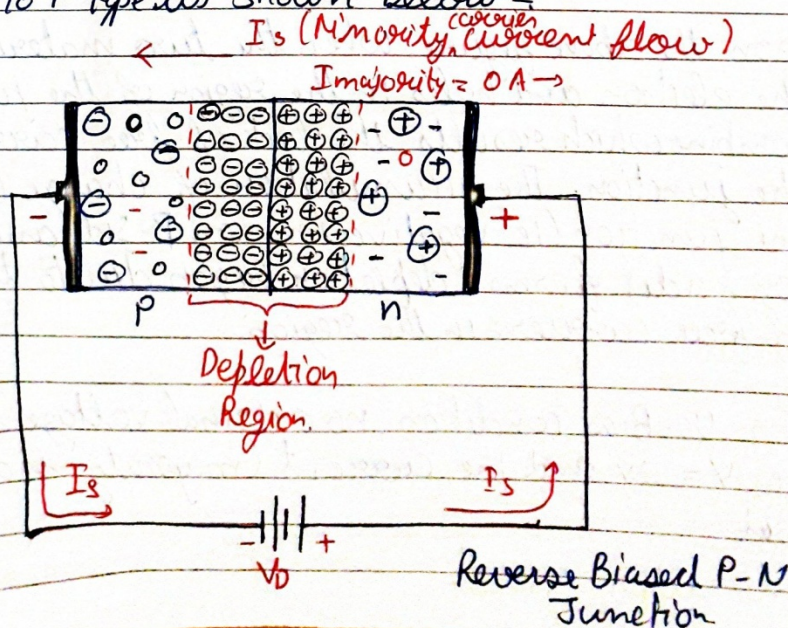
For the case of no-bias condition, minority carriers (holes) in n-region tends to move towards the P-side and starts accumulating at the junction. Same will happen on p-region.

Now when we consider majority carriers (e^-) for n-type have to overcome the attractive force of the layer of +ve ions in the n-type and vice versa.

Hence for No Bias condition we can conclude that the net flow of charge in one direction is zero.

② Reverse Bias Condition ($V_p < 0V$) (OFF state)

When an external potential is applied across the P-N Junction in such a way that +ve terminal is connected to n-type and negative terminal is connected to P-type as shown below -



Biasing: Biasing is referred to a fixed DC voltage or current applied to a terminal of an electronic component such that a proper operating condition can be obtained.

The number of ~~uncovered~~ +ve ions in the across the depletion region (near n-type) will start increase (same is the case with +ve ions near p-type region) due to the attractive forces across the positive & negative potential due to the applied voltage.

Due to which the thickness of depletion layer increases due to which the potential barrier across the junction increases and as a result it become difficult for majority carriers to overcome it. Hence, the majority carriers current for this reverse biased becomes zero.

However, the minority charge carriers can easily flow through this potential barrier and a minority current (μA) always flow during reverse biased condition.

The current which exists under reverse bias conditions is called the reverse saturation current (I_s)

(3) Forward Bias condition ($V_D > 0V$) (ON state)

When a +ve voltage is applied across the diode in such a way that the +ve terminal is connected to P-type and -ve terminal is connected to N-type.

On applying a +ve potential, due to recombination the +ve and -ve ions across the depletion layer will start getting recombine and as a result the depletion

layer will start ~~reducing~~ reducing and after a time period it will diminish completely. As a result there is a large flow of majority charge carriers across the junction. Due to this the majority current start flowing and the device is turned on.

Current Equation

$$I_D = I_S (e^{V_D/nV_T} - 1) \quad (\text{For forward Bias})$$

$$I_D \approx I_S e^{V_D/nV_T} \quad (\text{For +ve value } \frac{V_D \gg V_T})$$

$I_S \rightarrow$ reverse saturation current.

$V_D \rightarrow$ Applied forward-bias voltage across the diode.

$\eta \rightarrow$ ideality factor ($\eta=1$)

$V_T \rightarrow$ Thermal voltage or Threshold Voltage.

$$V_T = \frac{k T_K}{q}$$

$k \rightarrow$ Boltzmann's constant
 $= 1.38 \times 10^{-23} \text{ J/K}$

$T_K \rightarrow$ Absolute Temp.

$q \rightarrow$ magnitude of e^-
 $1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$.

$$I_D = -I_S (e^{V_D/nV_T} - 1) \quad (\text{For reverse Bias})$$

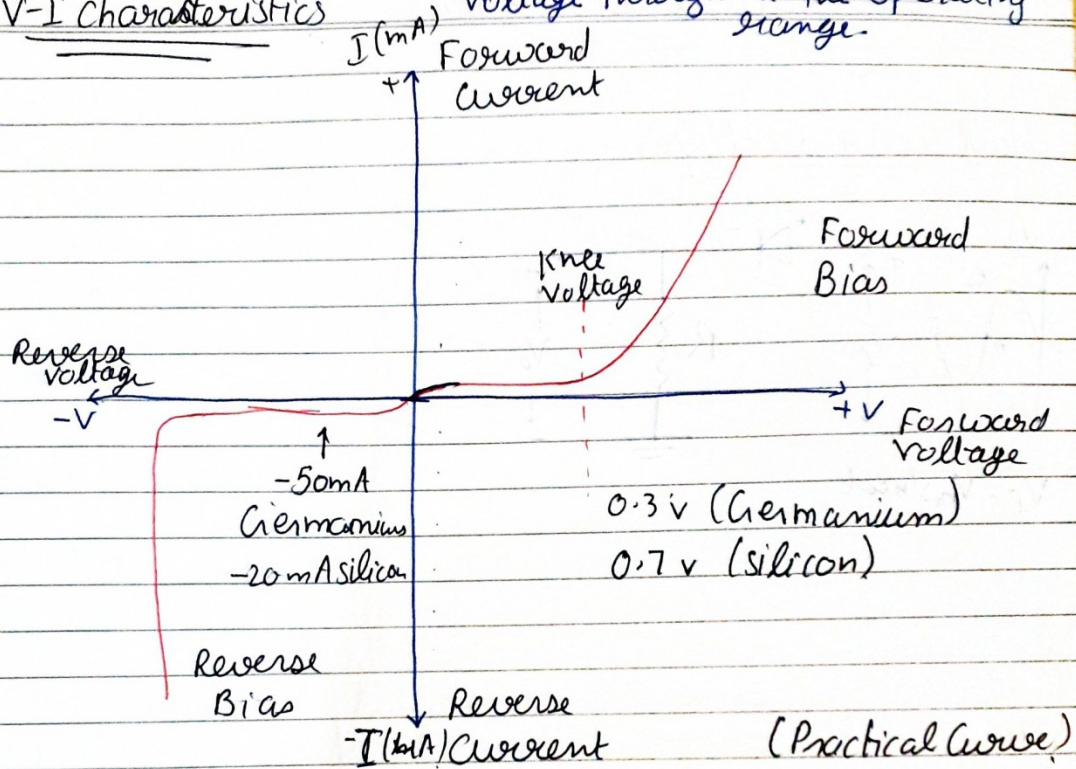
$$I_D = -I_S \quad V_D = -V_R$$

$$V_D = 0$$

$$I_D = I_S (e^0 - 1) = I_S (1 - 1) = 0 \text{ mA}$$

Q-point - (operating point of a device).
It is important as it ensures that non-linear components operates at optimal current and voltage throughout the operating range.

V-I characteristics



Ideal Diode -

A diode which acts as a perfect conductor when a forward biased voltage is applied and acts as an insulator when a reverse voltage is applied.

DC or static Resistance -

$$R_0 = \frac{V_D}{I_D}$$

Dynamic Resistance -

$$\Delta R_0 = \frac{\Delta V_D}{\Delta I_D}$$

Rectification :-

Process of converting a.c voltage into d.c. voltage

It is achieved with

- 1) Step - down Transformer
- 2) Rectifier
- 3) Filter
- 4) Voltage regulator circuits.



Block Diagram of a Regulated Power Supply System.

Transformer → Step down 230V AC mains to low voltage AC

Rectifier → Convert AC to DC, but with varying DC i.e. $f \neq 0$.

Smoothing → Smooth the DC from varying greatly to small-ripple.

Regulator → Eliminates ripple by setting DC o/p to a fixed voltage.

Rectifier -

A device which offers a low resistance to the current in one direction but a high resistance to the current in opposite direction.

↳ Convert sinusoidal i/p waveform to unidirectional waveform.

→ A rectifier is a device which converts A.C voltage to pulsating D.C voltage.

Characteristics of Rectifier Circuit -

① Average or DC current -

Area of one cycle of curve divided by the base.

$$\text{Avg. value / DC / Mean value} = \frac{\text{Area over one period}}{\text{Total time period}}$$

$$V_{dc} = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T V_d(\omega t)$$

② Effective or RMS current -

Squared of a periodic function of time is given by area of one cycle of the curve which represent square of function divide by the base.

$$V_{rms} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{T} \int_0^T V_a^2(\omega t) dt}$$

③ Peak Factor -

Ratio of Peak value to rms value

$$\text{Peak Factor} = \frac{\text{Peak Value}}{\text{rms Value}}$$

④ Form Factor -

Ratio of RMS value to Average Value.

$$\text{Form Factor} = \frac{\text{RMS Value}}{\text{Average Value}}$$

⑤ Ripple Factor (Γ) -

Ratio of RMS value of ac component to the dc component in the o/p.

$$\Gamma = \frac{V_{ac}}{V_{dc}}$$

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

⑥ Efficiency - (η)
Ratio of d.c. o/p Power to AC i/p Power.

$$\eta = \frac{\text{O/P Power}}{\text{I/P Power}}$$

⑦ Peak Inverse Voltage (PIV) -
Maximum reverse voltage that a diode can withstand without destroying the junction.

⑧ Transformer Utilization Factor ($\frac{\text{TUF}}{\text{CUF}}$)

D.C power to be delivered to the load in a rectifies circuit decides the rating of the transformer used in circuit.

$$\text{TUF} = \frac{P_{dc}}{P_{ac(\text{rated})}}$$

⑨ % Regulation -
Variation of d.c. o/p voltage as a function of d.c. load current.

$$\% \text{ Regulation} = \frac{V_{NL} - V_{FL}}{V_{FL}} \times 100$$

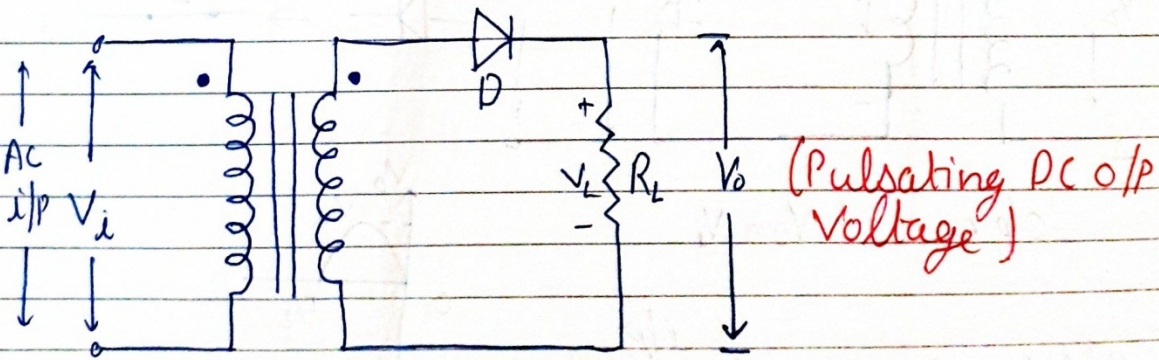
For an ideal power supply, % Regulation is zero.

Classification -

- 1) Half-Wave Rectifier
- 2) Full-Wave Rectifier
- 3) Bridge Rectifier.

Half Wave Rectifier -

Converts a.c. voltage into a pulsating voltage using only one half cycle of the applied a.c. voltage.



Construction -

AC (i/p) voltage is applied to the rectifier circuit using step-down transformer.

Let $V = V_m \sin(\omega t)$

where V_m is peak value of secondary a.c. voltage.

Operation:-

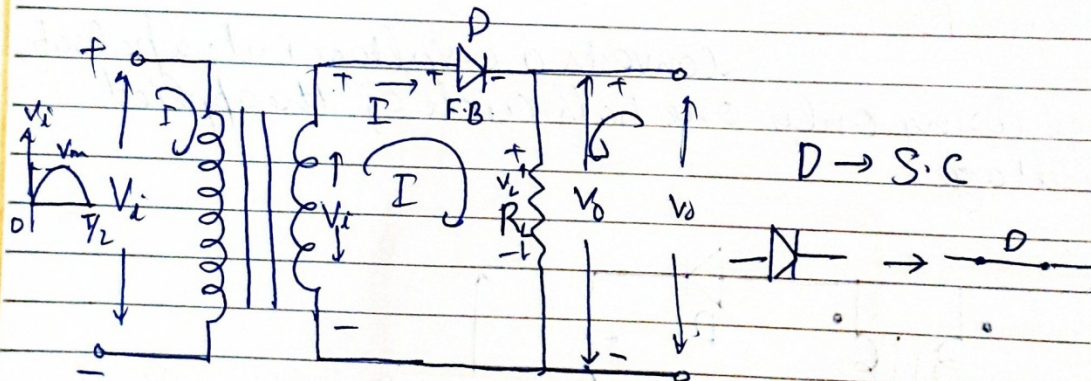
For +ve half cycle -

When a +ve half cycle of i/p a.c. voltage is applied, the diode D is forward biased. (which is replaced by S.C) and starts conducting.

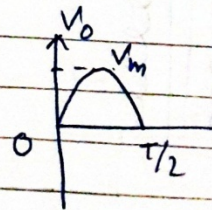
The current starts flowing through the circuit and a voltage drop (V_L) appear across R_L .

Let (V_o) is the o/p voltage then

$$V_o = V_L$$



o/p eq. $V_o = V_i$



Applying KVL in the ^{i/p} ~~o/p~~ loop

$$V_i - IR_L = 0$$

$$V_L = V_i$$

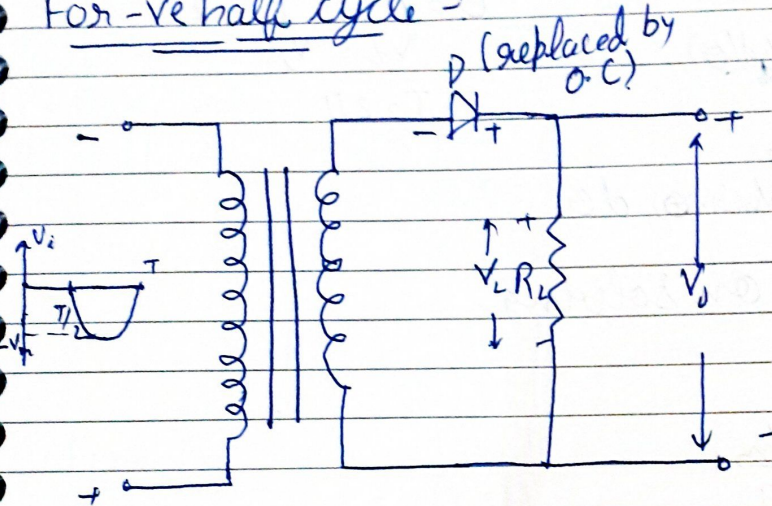
Applying KVL in the o/p loop

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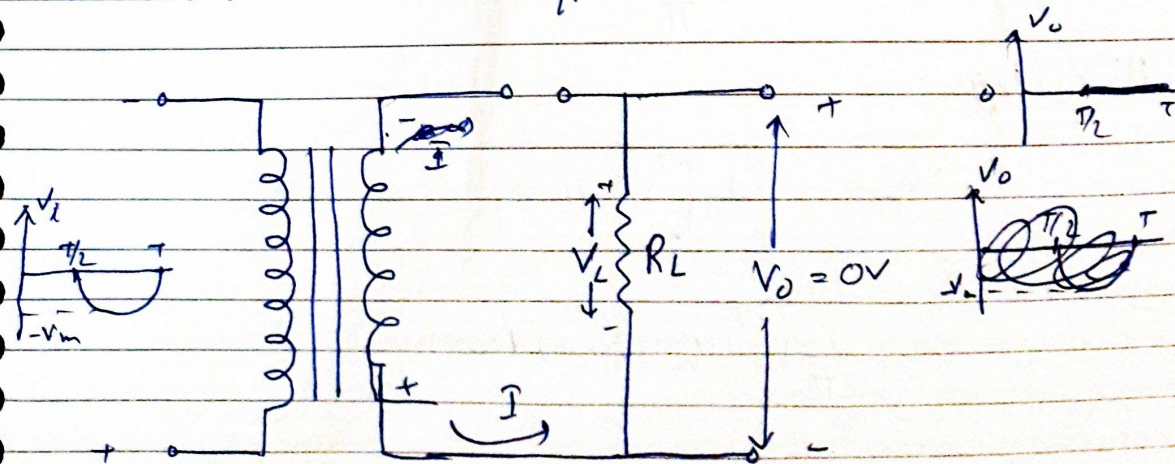
$$V_o = V_L$$

$\therefore \boxed{V_o = V_i}$ for forward biased case

For -ve half cycle -



For the case of -ve half cycle diode (D) is reverse biased and is replaced by open circuit. Hence the current flowing through the circuit is zero and hence the o/p obtained is zero.



$$\therefore I = 0$$

$$V_L = IR_L = 0V$$

$$V_o = V_L = 0V$$

① Average voltage:-

$$V_{dc} = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T V_d(\omega t) dt$$

$\omega t = 2\pi$

Let $\omega t = \theta$
 $\omega \rightarrow \text{constant}$
 $dt = d\theta$

$$V_{dc} = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^{2\pi} V_d(\theta) d\theta$$

$t = 0$ $t = T$ $T = 2\pi$
 $\theta = 0$ $\theta = 2\pi$
 $V_d = V_i$
 $T = 2\pi$

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} V_m \sin(\theta) d\theta$$

on solving -

$$\frac{V_m \times 2}{2\pi}$$

$$V_{dc} = \frac{V_m}{\pi}$$

② Average current:-

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

③ RMS Voltage -

$$V_{rms} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{T} \int_0^T V^2 d(\omega t)}$$

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

$$V_{rms} = \frac{V_m}{2}$$

④ RMS Current

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

⑤ Peak Factor

$$= \frac{\text{Peak Value}}{\text{RMS Value}}$$

$$= \frac{V_m}{V_m/\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\text{Peak Factor} = 2$$

⑥ Form Factor =

$$= \frac{\text{RMS Value}}{\text{Avg. Value}}$$

$$= \frac{V_m/\sqrt{2}}{V_m/\pi} = \frac{\pi}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\text{Form Factor} = 1.57$$

⑦ Ripple Factor =

$$r = \frac{V_{ac}}{V_{dc}}$$

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

$$r = \frac{\sqrt{V_{rms}^2 - V_{dc}^2}}{V_{dc}} = \sqrt{\frac{V_{rms}^2}{V_{dc}^2} - 1} = \underline{\underline{1.21}}$$

⑧ Efficiency (η)

$$\eta = \frac{\text{o/p Power}}{\text{i/p Power}} \times 100$$

$$= \frac{P_{ac}}{P_{dc}} \times 100 = \underline{\underline{40.8\%}}$$

⑨ TUF :-

$$TUF = \frac{P_{dc}}{P_{ac(\text{rated})}}$$

$$TUF = 0.286$$

As TUF is low it shows that half wave circuit, transformer is not fully utilized.

⑩ PIV :-

Maximum reverse voltage that a diode can withstand without destroying the Junction.

$$PIV = V_m$$

Disadvantages

- ① Ripple factor is high.
- ② Efficiency is low
- ③ TUF is low
- ④

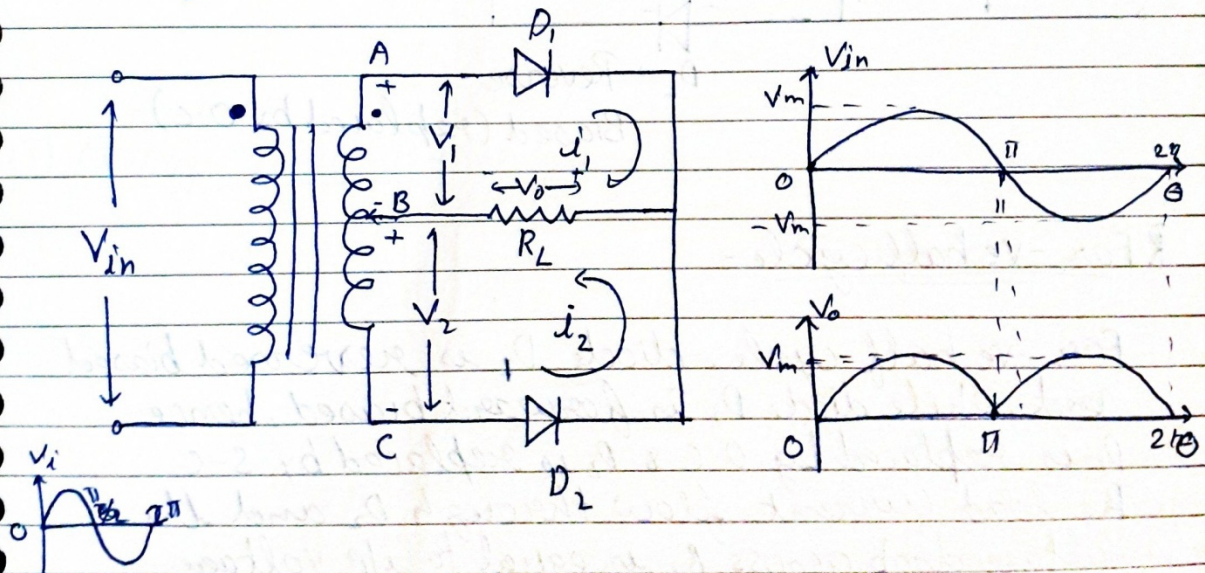
Full Wave Rectifier:-

Converts an ac voltage into a pulsating dc voltage using both half cycles of the applied ac voltage.

Two diodes are connected in the circuit through a common load R_L by using a center-tap transformer.

Center-tap transformer:-

It produces two sinusoidal waveforms of same magnitude and frequency but out of phase w.r.t to the ground in the secondary winding of the transformer.



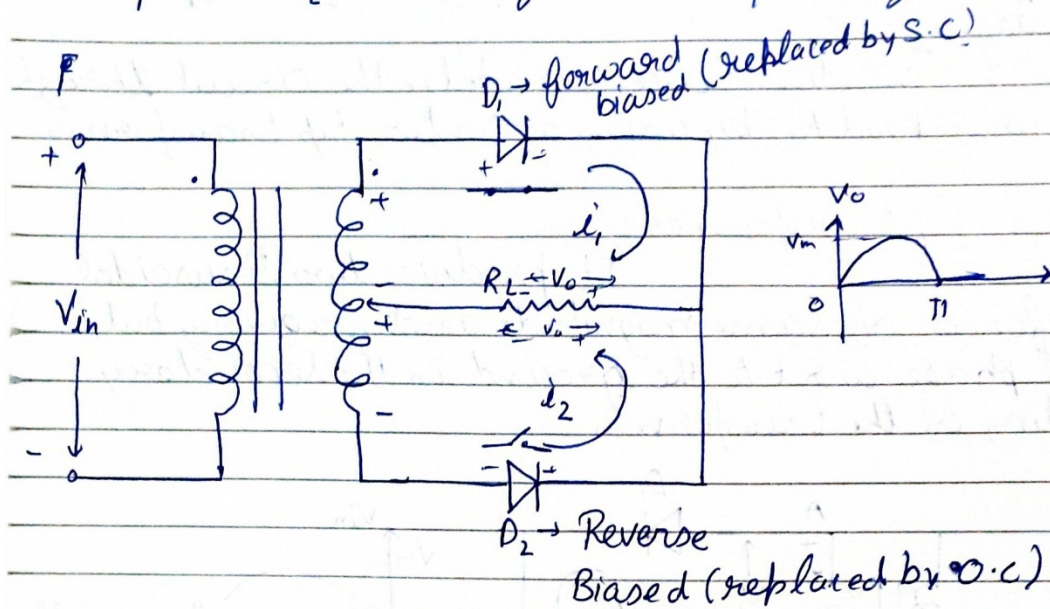
Working:-

For +ve half cycle

When a +ve half s/c is applied across the i/p. The diode D_1 is forward biased while diode D_2 is reverse biased due to which diode D_1 starts conducting while D_2 is acting as an open circuit due to -vely biased.

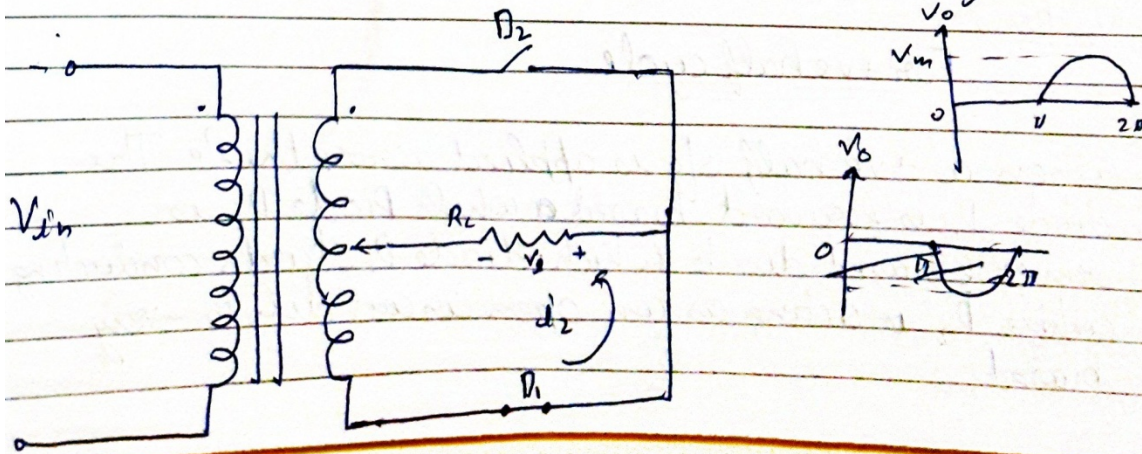


The load current flows through D_1 and the voltage drop across R_L will be equal to the i/p voltage



For -ve half cycle :-

For -ve half cycle, diode D_1 is reverse biased and while diode D_2 is forward biased, hence D_1 is replaced by O.C & D_2 is replaced by S.C. The load current flow through D_2 and the voltage drop across R_L is equal to i/p voltage.



① Average Voltage :-

$$V_{dc} = I_{dc} R_L = \frac{2 I_m R_L}{\pi}$$

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

$$\therefore V_{dc} = \frac{2 \cdot V_m R_L}{\pi (R_s + R_f + R_L)}$$

If $(R_s + R_f) \ll R_L$

$$V_{dc} = \frac{2 V_m}{\pi} = 0.637 V_m$$

② Average Current :-

$$I_{av} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} i d\theta = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} I_m \sin \theta d\theta$$

$$= \frac{I_m}{2\pi} \left[\int_0^{\pi} \sin \theta d\theta - \int_{\pi}^{2\pi} \sin \theta d\theta \right]$$

$$= \frac{I_m}{2\pi} [(-2) - (-2)]$$

$$= \frac{I_m}{2\pi} (+4) = \frac{2 I_m}{\pi} = 0.637 I_m$$

$$I_{dc} = 0.637 I_m$$

③ RMS Voltage -

$$V_{rms} = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T V^2 d(\theta)$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} (V_m^2 \sin^2 \theta) d\theta}$$

on solving, we get

$$V_{rms} = \frac{V_m}{\sqrt{2}}$$

④ RMS Current -

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

⑤ Peak Factor =

$$= \frac{\text{Peak Value}}{\text{rms Value}}$$

$$= \frac{V_m}{V_m/\sqrt{2}} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{2}}$$

⑥ Form Factor -

$$= \frac{\text{RMS Value}}{\text{Average Value}} = \frac{V_m/\sqrt{2}}{2V_m/\pi}$$

$$\text{Form Factor} = 1.11$$

⑦ Ripple Factor =

$$\gamma = \sqrt{\left(\frac{I_{rms}}{I_{dc}}\right)^2 - 1}$$

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

$$\gamma_{FWR} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{I_m / \sqrt{2}}{2I_m / \pi}\right)^2 - 1}$$

$$= 0.483$$

⑧ Efficiency (η) =

$$\eta = \frac{\text{O/P Power} \times 100}{\text{i/p Power}}$$

$$= \frac{P_{dc} \times 100}{P_{ac}}$$

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

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

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

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

If $(R_f + R_s) \ll R_L$

$$\eta = \frac{4}{\pi^2} \cdot \frac{2}{1} = \frac{8}{\pi^2} = 0.812 = \underline{\underline{81.2\%}}$$

$$(9) \quad TUF = \frac{P_{dc}}{P_{ac(\text{rated})}}$$

Since both winding are used $TUF_{FWR} = 2TUF_{HWR}$

$$= 2 \times 0.287 = 0.574$$

(10) Peak Inverse Voltage (PIV) -

Maximum reverse voltage that a diode can withstand without destroying the Junction.

$$PIV = 2V_m$$

Advantages -

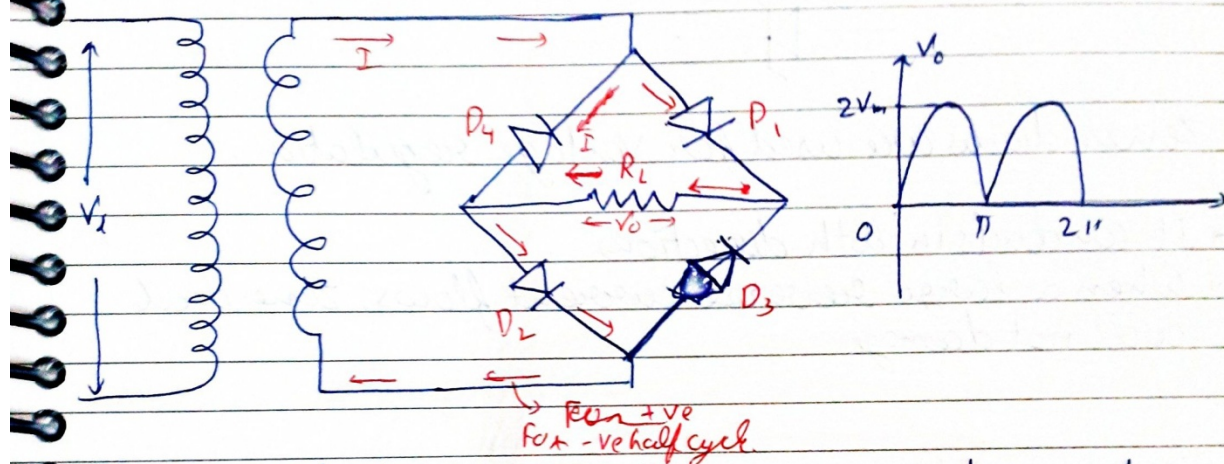
- 1) Ripple factor = 0.482 (against 1.21 for HWR)
- 2) Rectification efficiency is 0.812 or 81.2%.
- 3) Better TUF (secondary) is 0.574
- 4) No core saturation problem.

Disadvantages -

- 1) Requires center tapped transformer.

Bridge Rectifier:-

Main advantage of this bridge circuit is that it does not require a special center tapped transformer, hence reducing its size and cost.



The four diode D_1, D_2, D_3 & D_4 are arranged in such a way that D_3, D_4 & D_1, D_2 work together.

During +ve half cycle of supply, diode D_1 & D_2 conduct i.e. are replaced by short circuit while diodes D_3 & D_4 are reverse biased i.e. are replaced by open circuit.

For -ve half cycle of supply, diode D_3 & D_4 conduct while D_1 & D_2 are reverse biased, (OFF).

$$\text{Average Current } I_{dc} = \frac{2I_m}{\pi}$$

$$\text{Ripple Factor } \gamma = 0.482$$

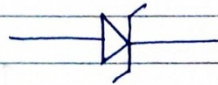
$$\text{RMS current } I_{rms} = \frac{I_m}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\text{Rectification eff. } \eta = 0.812$$

$$\text{DC o/p voltage (no load)} = V_{dc} = \frac{2V_m}{\pi}$$

→ highly doped diodes.
Zener Diode:-

It is a special type of diode designed to reliably allow current to flow backwards when a certain set reverse voltage known as Zener voltage is reached.



Zener diodes are used for voltage regulation.

- * It conducts in both directions
- * When a large reverse current flows, zener diode will not damage.

Breakdown Voltage:-

Critical value of the voltage, at which the breakdown of P-N Junction diode occurs.

It depends on the width of the depletion region which in turn depends on doping level.

Two mechanisms by which breakdown can occur are

- ① Avalanche Breakdown
- ② Zener breakdown

Avalanche breakdown - (Avalanche Multiplication)

① It occurs in a diode which is ^{lightly} moderately doped and has thick Junction (depletion layer width is high). It occurs under reverse biased condition.

② It occurs when we apply a high reverse voltage across the diode (higher than the Zener breakdown voltage (6V) 5V)

③ It occurs because of the ionisation of e^- & hole pairs. As ~~when~~ a reverse voltage is applied is increased, there is a rise in temperature across the Junction. Due to this vibration of atoms \uparrow and thus reduces the mean free path for e^- . Hence Breakdown voltage increases with increase in temperature

④ It is +ve temperature coefficient.

⑤ The minority carriers, under reverse biased conditions, flowing through the Junction acquire a K.E which increases with the increase in reverse voltage. At high voltages, the K.E of minority carriers increases to a level that it knock out e^- from covalent bonds of semiconductor material. This is a chain reaction and it goes on like this. Hence the level of current increases.

Zener Breakdown-

It occurs due to heavy doping and hence narrow junction.

Valence e^- which break free under the influence of applied electric field can be accelerated enough due to which it dislocate the free e^- from valence Band to Conduction Band, resulting to a large number of free minority carriers which suddenly increase the reverse current.

* It occurs for low value of reverse voltage ($< 6V$).

* When reverse voltage across depletion layer increases the thickness of layer (t) increases.

$$t \propto \sqrt{V} \text{ (where } V \text{ is applied reverse voltage)}$$

* Let Electric field intensity (E) inside depletion layer

$$= \frac{V}{t}$$

$$E \propto \frac{V}{t} \propto \sqrt{V} \quad (\because t \propto \sqrt{V})$$

$$E \propto \sqrt{V}$$

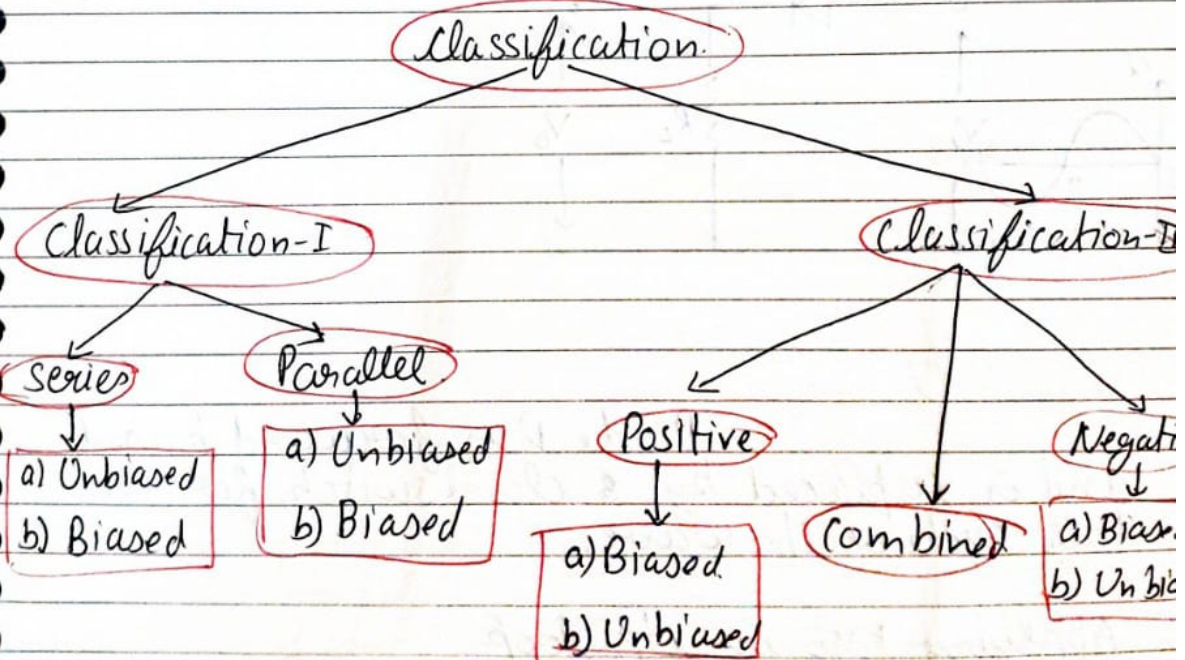
The high electric field intensity causes field emission of e^- from immobile ions of depletion layer. It creates a large no. of e^- -hole pairs inside depletion layer. The external battery forces towards N-region and holes toward P-region.



So a large reverse current flows from N to P region. This phenomenon is known as zener breakdown. After breakdown the reverse current is independent of applied voltage and limited only by external resistance.

Clipping Circuits -

The ability to clip (cut) a portion of i_p without distorting the remaining part of AC ^{Alternating} waveform.



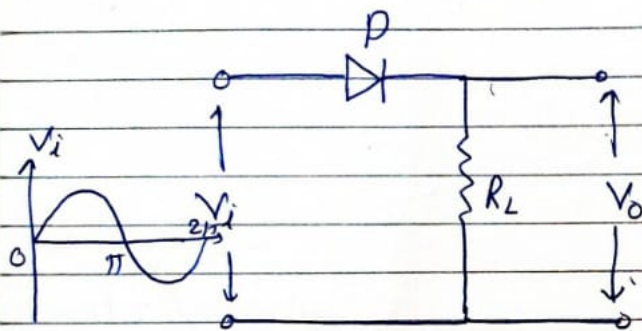
classification - I

On the basis of orientation of diode.

a) Series Clippers:-

When a diode is connected in series with the load.

(i) Unbiased Series Clipper cuts the complete +ve or -ve half.

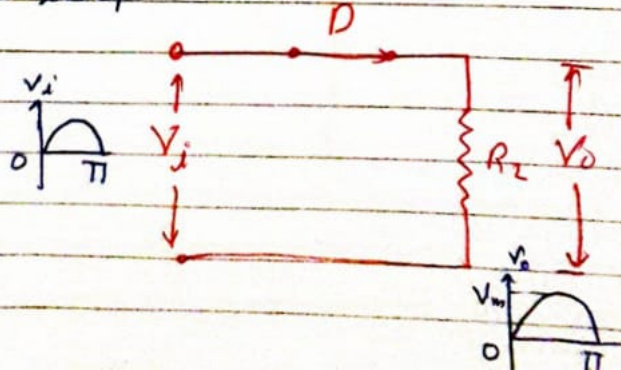


For +ve half cycle =

Diode \$D\$ is forward biased and is replaced by a closed switch, for +ve half cycle of i/p wave.

Applying KVL in i/p loop

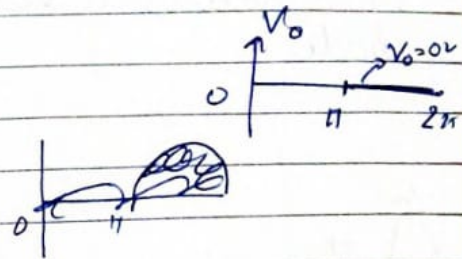
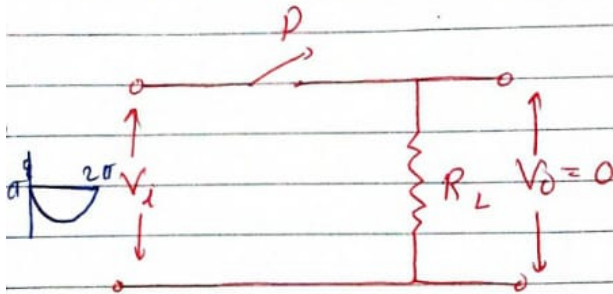
$$V_o = V_i$$



For Negative half cycle:-

Diode is reverse biased and is replaced by an open circuit.

Hence the circuit is as below.

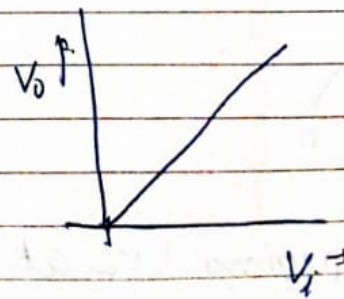


Applying KVL in the ^{op} loop
 $V_o = 0$ (as $i = 0$)

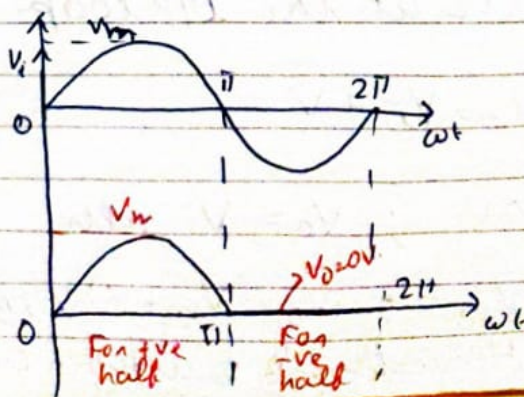
Transfer characteristics:-

Variation of o/p voltage with i/p voltage

$$\begin{aligned} \text{If } V_i > 0, & \quad V_o = V_i \\ V_i < 0, & \quad V_o = 0 \end{aligned}$$

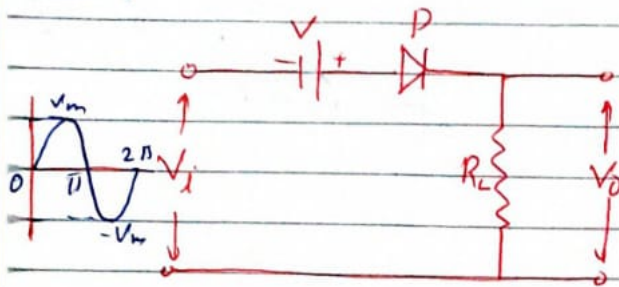


Final Waveform



(2) Biased Series Clippers:- It clips only a portion of wave (either +ve or -ve half)

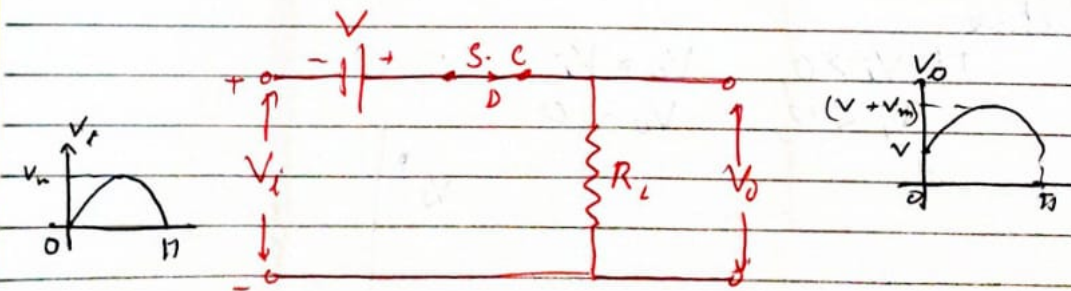
It contains a ^{DC} series battery in series with the diode.



For +ve half cycle:-

For complete +ve half cycle the diode D is forward biased and is replaced by S.C.

The circuit becomes



Applying KVL at the o/p loop.

$$V_o = V_i + V$$

When $V_i = 0V$; $V_o = V$ volts

$V_i = V_m$; $V_o = (V_m + V)$ volts

Hence the o/p waveform obtained is shown above

For Negative Cycle:-

Diode D will be forward biased till $V_i + V$ is greater than cut in voltage of diode.

i.e. $V_i < V$, D is F.B ; $V_i > V$, D is R.B

For ideal diode cut in voltage is zero.

\therefore When $V_i < V$, Diode D is forward biased

$$V_o = (-V_i + V) \text{ Volts.}$$

Let $V = 5V$, $V_i \geq 0$

Let: $V_i = 0V$ $V_o = 0 + 5 = 5V$

$V_i = 1V$ $V_o = -1 + 5 = 4V$

$V_i = 2V$ $V_o = -2 + 5 = 3V$

$V_i = 3V$ $V_o = -3 + 5 = 2V$

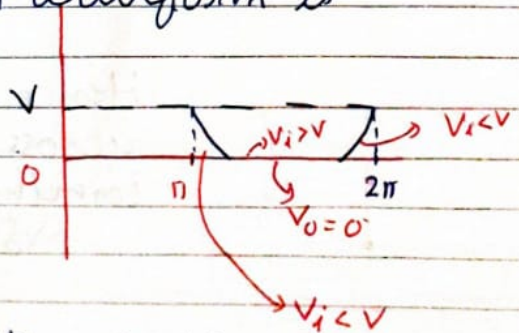
$V_i = 4V$ $V_o = -4 + 5 = 1V$

$V_i = 5V$ $V_o = -5 + 5 = 0V$

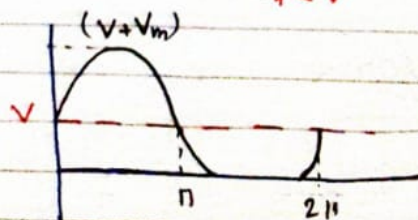
For $V_i > V$, Diode is reverse biased

Hence $V_o = 0V$.

\therefore The o/p waveform is



Final waveform

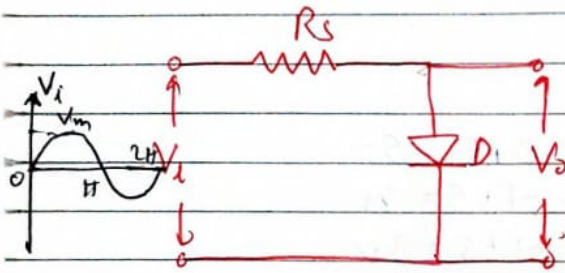


b) Parallel Clipper -

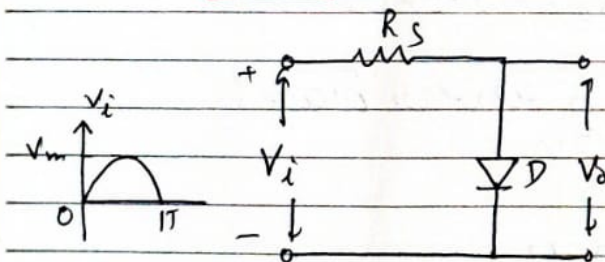
Diode is connected in parallel to load.

(1) Unbiased parallel clipper -

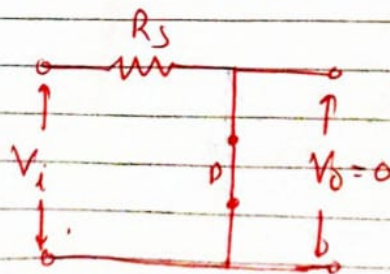
Either complete -ve or +ve half cycles are completely clipped off.



For +ve half cycle -

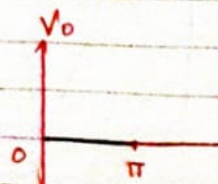


For +ve half cycle diode (D) is F-B hence replaced by s.c



Hence the ~~load~~^{o/p voltage} across the shorted terminal is zero.
 $V_o = 0$

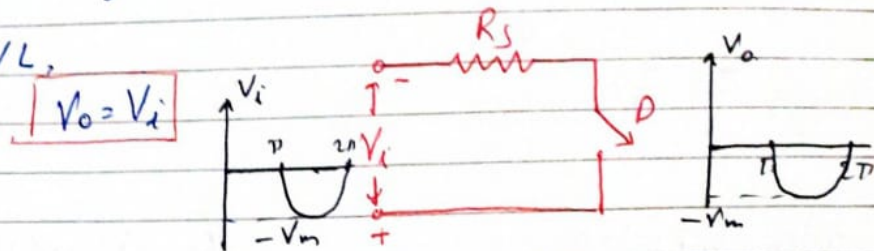
Hence o/p waveform



For -ve half cycle:

Diode (D) is reversed biased and hence it is replaced by open circuit.

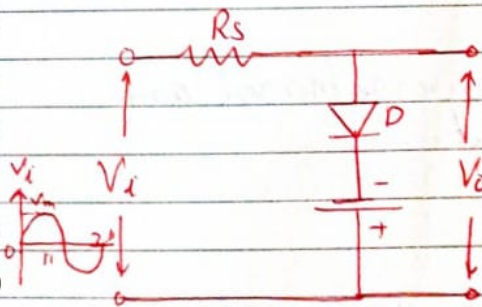
Applying KVL,



② Biased Parallel Clipper:

Only a portion of waveform is clipped off either from +ve half or -ve half cycle.

A DC battery is connected in series with Diode which is connected in parallel to load.

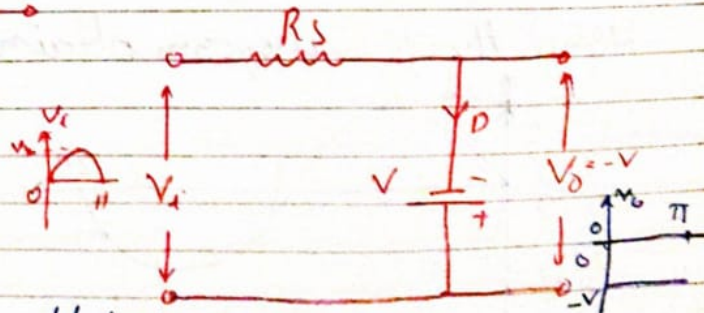


For +ve half cycle

For complete +ve half cycle diode is forward biased and is replaced by S.C.

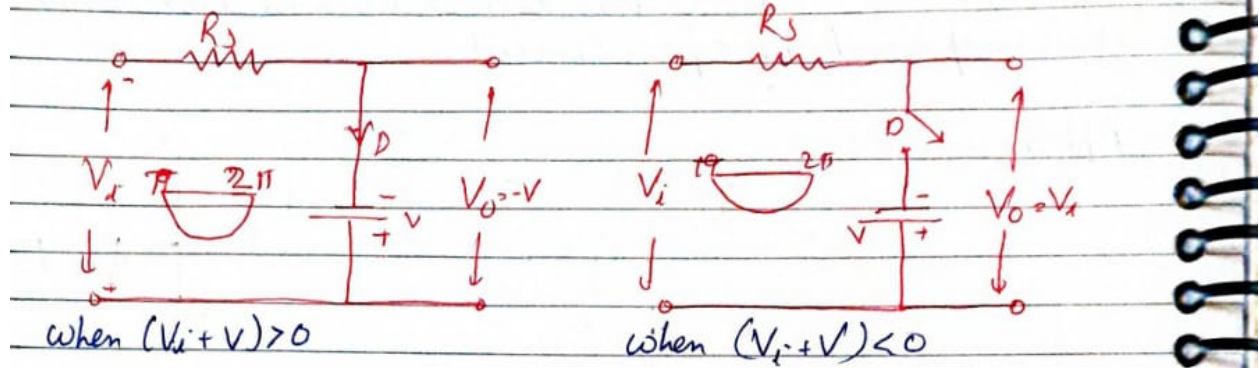
Applying KVL in the o/p loop,

$V_o = -V_i$



Hence the o/p waveform obtained is shown with the circuit.

For -ve half cycle :-



For the case of -ve half cycle diode D is forward biased till $V_i < V$. Hence o/p

$V_o = -V$ (for $V_i < V$)

For $V_i = V$

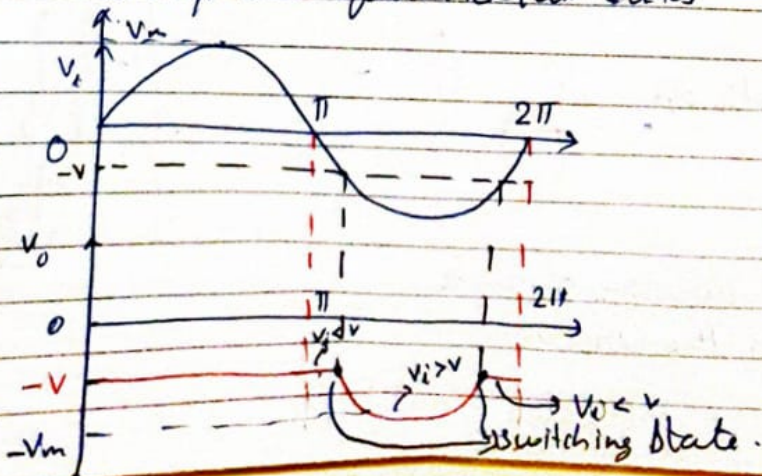
Diode D is in switching state.

For $V_i > V$

Diode D is completely reverse biased and the o/p will follow the input

i.e. $V_o = V_i$

Hence the o/p waveform obtained is



Classification - II

According to the ability to clip off +ve or -ve portion of alternating wave

a) Positive Clipper -

clips off complete +ve ^{portion of the} half cycle wave.

1) Unbiased +ve clipper -

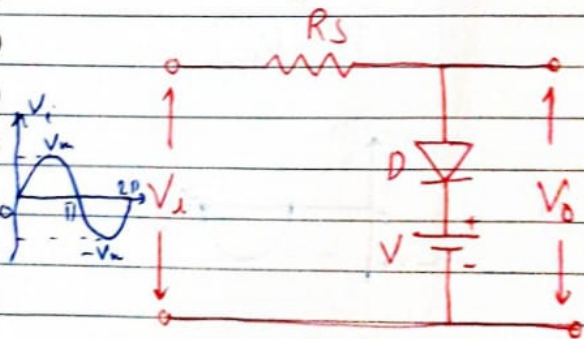
clips off complete +ve half & negative half is unaffected

Same example as given in Unbiased parallel clipper

2) Biased +ve clipper -

clips off only a portion of +ve voltage while keeping negative half cycle unaffected.

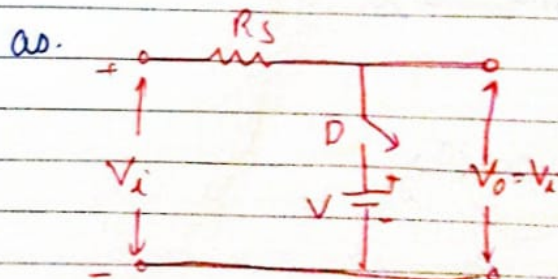
A DC Battery is connected in series with the diode.



For +ve half cycle -

When $V_i < V$, Diode D is reversed biased.

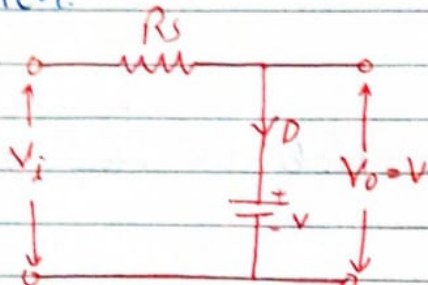
The circuit can be redrawn



Applying KVL along the loop.

$$V_o = V_i$$

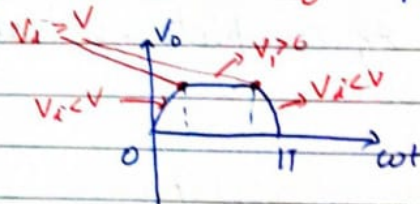
For $V_i \geq V$ diode D is forward biased and is replaced by short circuit or closed switch.



Applying KVL in o/p loop

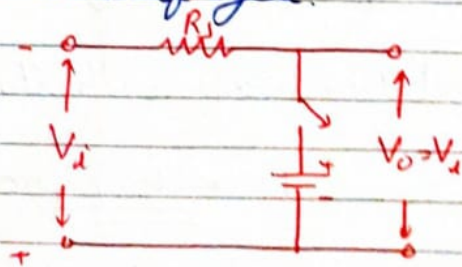
$$V_o = V$$

Hence the o/p waveform is



Negative half cycle:-

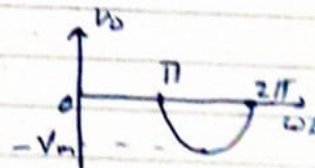
Diode is reverse biased for complete -ve half cycle.



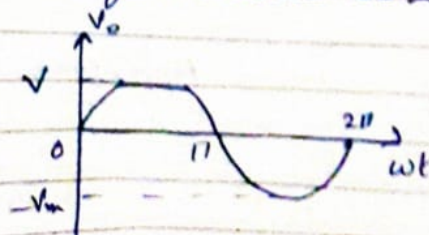
Applying KVL

$$V_o = V_i$$

Hence the o/p waveform is



The final o/p waveform obtained is



b) Negative clipper -

clips off the negative portion of wave.

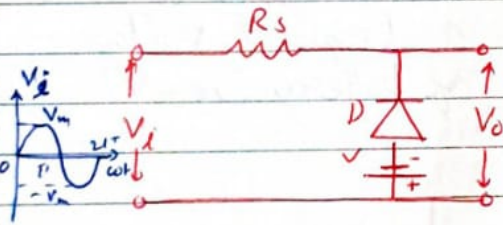
① Unbiased -ve clipper -

complete -ve half of wave is cut, while the +ve half remain unchanged.

Example Half wave Rectifier.

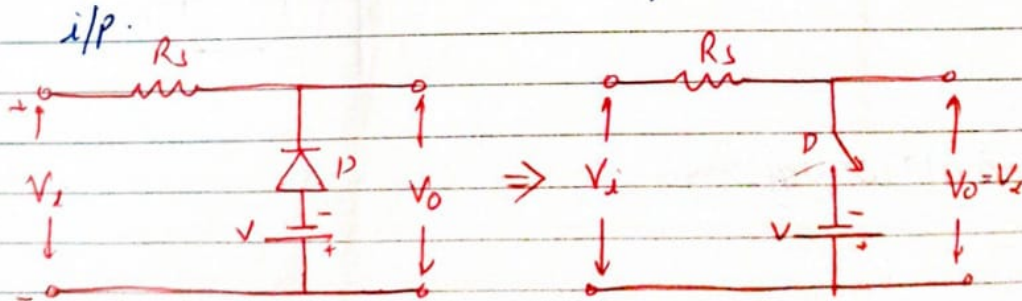
② Biased Negative clipper -

Battery is connected in series with the diode.



For +ve half cycle -

The diode D is reversed biased for complete +ve half cycle and the o/p will ~~be~~ follow the



Applying KVL in the loop

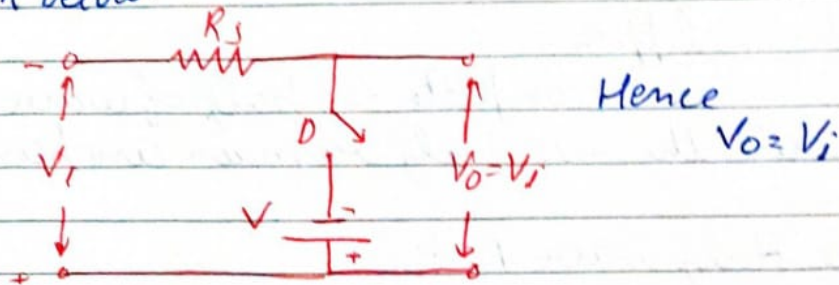
$$V_o = V_i$$

Hence the o/p waveform is

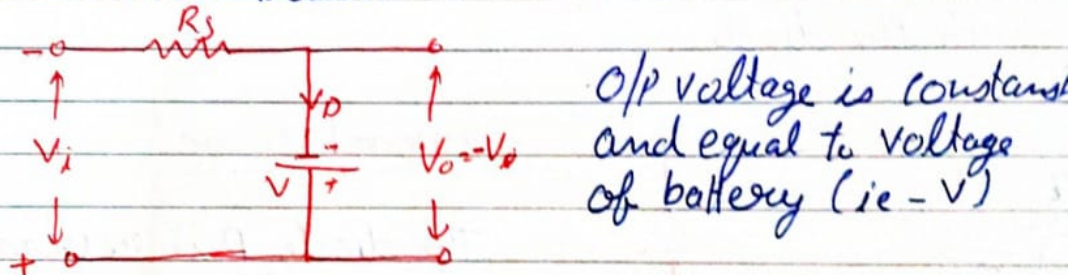


For -ve half cycle -

For $|V_i| \leq |V|$, diode D_1 is reversed biased. The ckt is shown below.



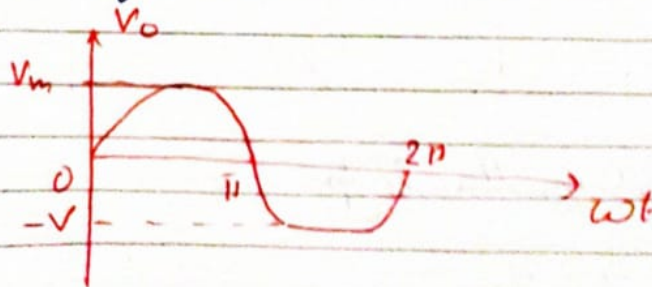
For $|V_i| \geq |V|$, diode D_1 is forward biased. The ckt is shown below:



Hence the o/p wave form

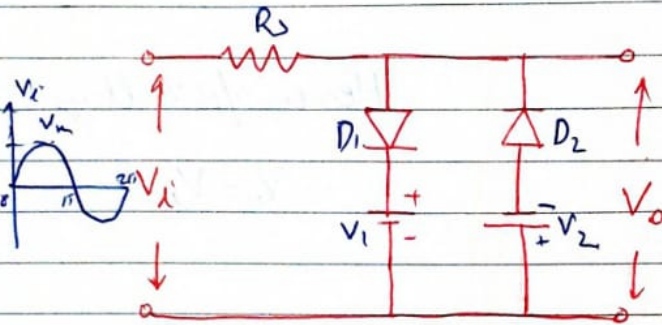


Final o/p waveform



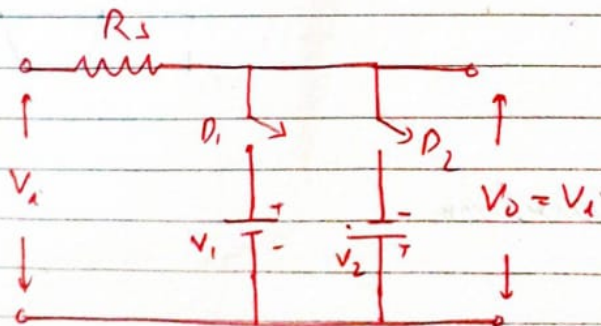
c) Combined Positive and Negative Clipper -

Batteries of opposite polarities are connected in parallel. Diode D_1 & D_2 are included in series with the batteries such that



For +ve half cycle - Diode D_2 is reverse biased for whole +ve half cycle.

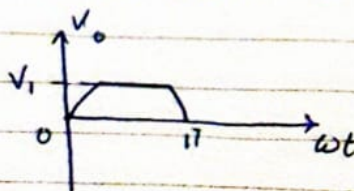
Diode D_1 is also reverse biased for $V_i < V_1$, Diode D_2 will be replaced by open circuit.



Applying KVL

$$V_o = V_i$$

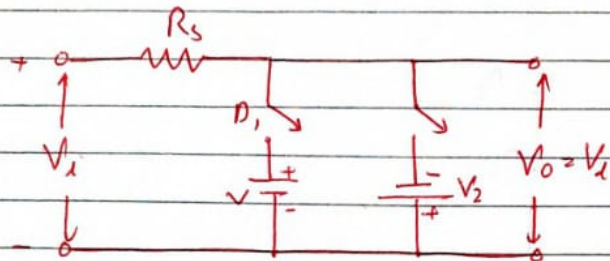
For $V_i \geq V_1$, diode D_1 is forward biased and is replaced by short circuit. $\therefore V_o = V_i$



For -ve half cycle =

For $|V_1| < |V_2|$

Diode D_1 is reverse biased for whole -ve cycle
Diode D_2 is reverse biased till $V_1 < V_2$, hence
replaced by open circuit.

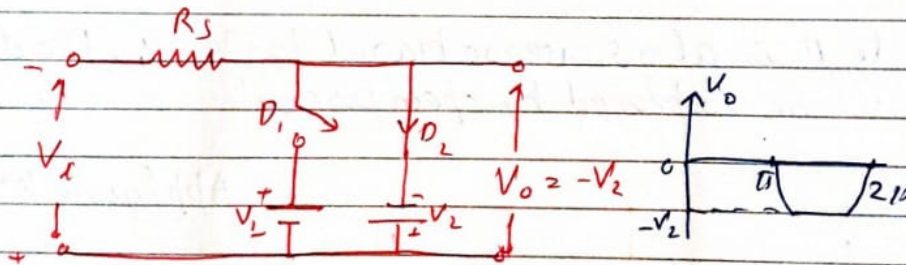


Hence o/p voltage

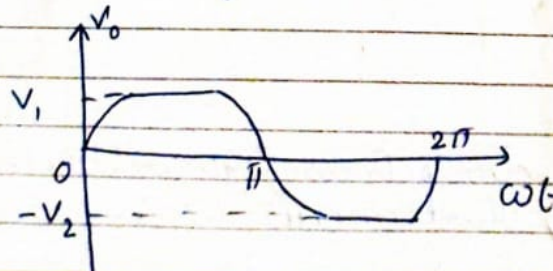
$$V_0 = V_1$$

For $|V_2| > |V_1|$

D_2 is forward biased and D_1 is reversed biased.



Hence the overall waveform



Clamping Circuits:-

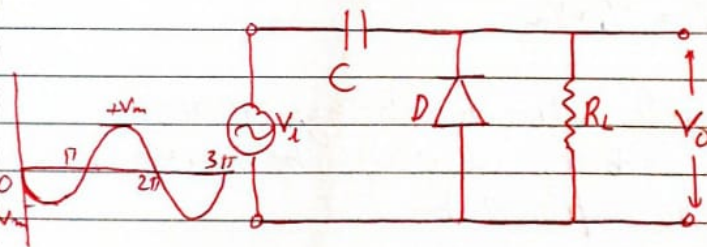
Shifts an AC s/g to a different DC level without clipping.

It must have a capacitor, a diode, a resistive element. It can also have DC battery source.

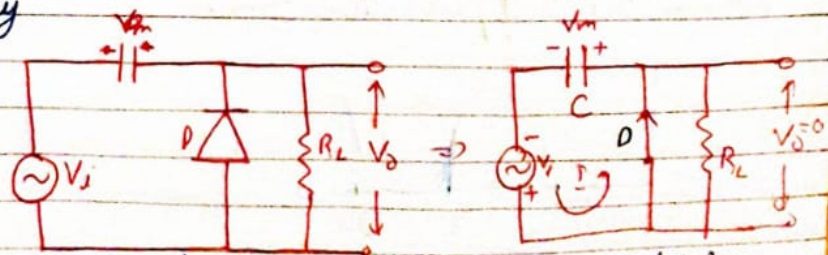
* The time constant (RC) of circuit should be high enough to ensure that voltage across capacitor doesnot change significantly when diode is reversed biased.

a) Positive Clamper

It raises the level of AC signal by adding the DC component. This result in rising of the level of signal.



Negative half Cycle \rightarrow Diode D is F.B and due to which capacitor charges to voltage level V_m with polarity

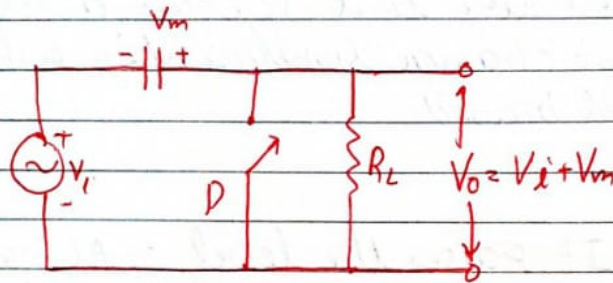


For this case the capacitor gets charged to Max. (V_m)

Hence $V_o = 0$ volts (not) (only for first cycle
@ $\omega t = 0$ to π)

For positive Half cycle -!

It is assumed that the charge across capacitor remains the same. Diode D is reverse biased for this case and hence is replaced by O.C.



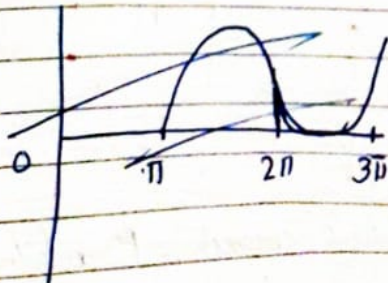
Applying KVL across the loop

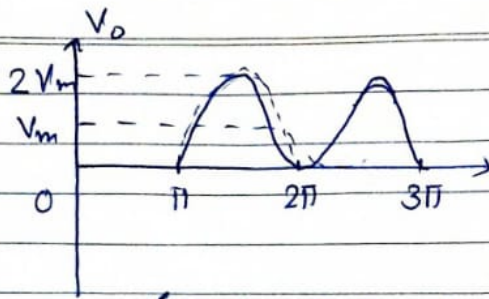
$$V_o = V_i + V_m$$

For next -ve half cycle, due to charge across capacitor, Diode D will now always be reverse biased and hence is replaced by O.C.

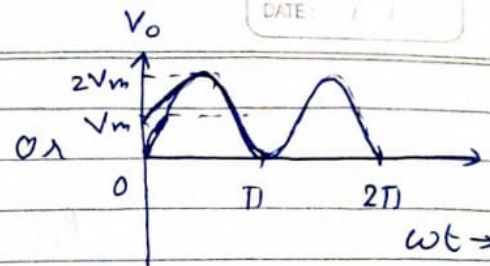
$$\therefore V_o = V_i + V_m$$

Hence the output waveform is





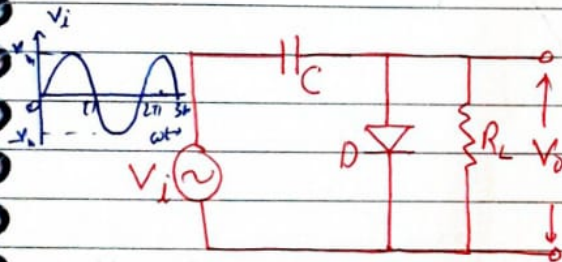
(Original waveform)



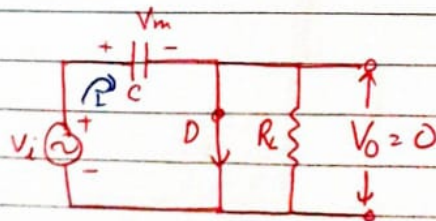
(Shifted waveform)
shown in book.

(b) Negative Clamper -

Clamps the AC signal to a lower level.



For +ve half cycle -

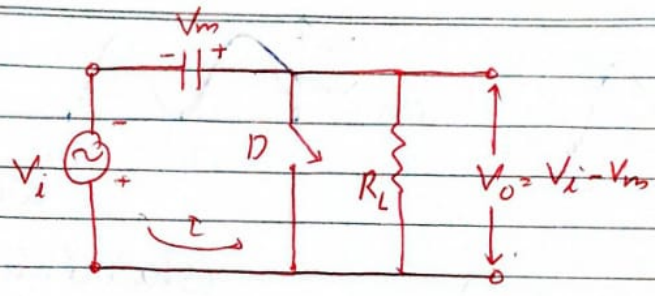


Diode D is forward biased & capacitor charges to V_m with the shown polarity.

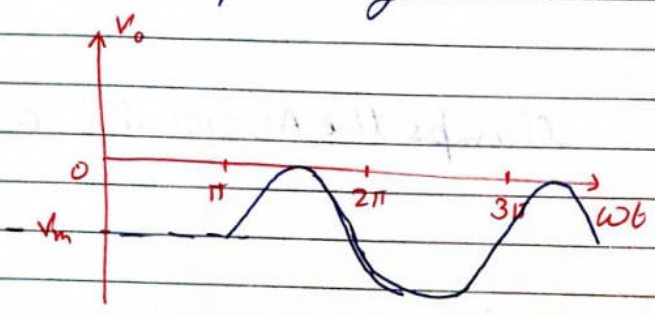
For -ve half cycle -

Diode D is reverse biased and is replaced by open circuit

$$V_o = V_i - V_m$$

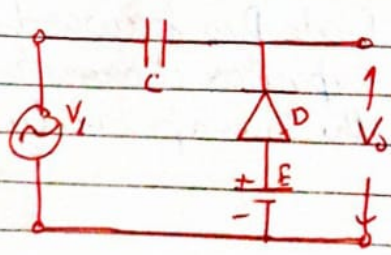


In this the o/p voltage is lowered by amount $-V_m$.



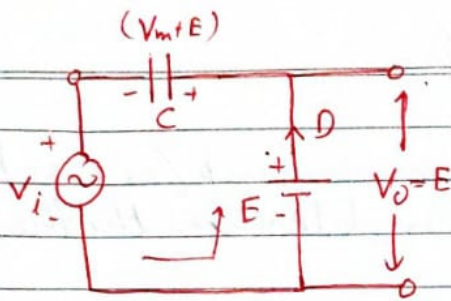
③ Biased Clippers :

When a battery is included in series with the diode.



For -ve half cycle :

Diode \$D\$ is forward biased and the capacitor \$C\$ charges to voltage $(V_m + E)$.

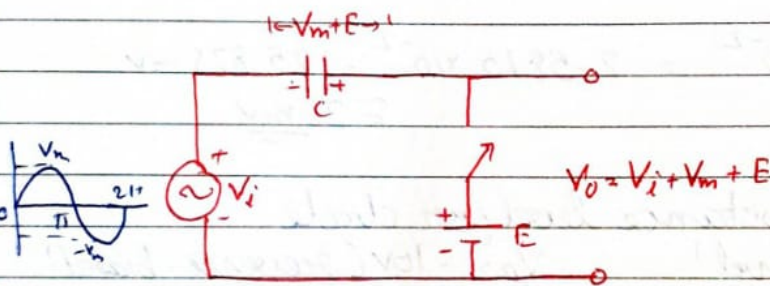


For +ve half cycle -

Diode D is reverse biased

Applying KVL in loop

$$V_o = V_i + V_m + E$$



Hence the o/p waveform obtained

