

**Question No. 1**

A half wave rectifier with a load of 100 kΩ and a parallel capacitor. The source is 120 V RMS. Find the peak-to-peak ripple in the output voltage when  $\alpha=0.527$  rad and,

a) For 400 μF:

We check  $\omega RC$ ,

$$\omega RC = 2\pi fRC$$

$$\omega RC = 2 \times 3.14 \times 60 \times 100 \times 10^3 \times 400 \times 10^{-6}$$

$$\omega RC = 15072 \gg 1$$

So, we use approximate formula,

$$\Delta V_0 = \frac{V_m}{fRC}$$

$$\Delta V_0 = \frac{V_{rms} \times \sqrt{2}}{fRC}$$

$$\Delta V_0 = \frac{120 \times \sqrt{2}}{60 \times 100 \times 10^3 \times 400 \times 10^{-6}}$$

$$\Delta V_0 = 0.07 \text{ V}$$

b) 2 μF capacitor.

We check  $\omega RC$ ,

$$\omega RC = 2\pi fRC$$

$$\omega RC = 2 \times 3.14 \times 60 \times 100 \times 10^3 \times 2 \times 10^{-6}$$

$$\omega RC = 75.36 > 1$$

So, we can use exact formula,

$$\Delta V_0 = V_m (1 - \sin \alpha)$$

$$\Delta V_0 = 169.7 (1 - \sin 0.527)$$

$$\Delta V_0 = 84.35 \text{ V}$$

### Question No. 2

A half wave rectifier has a 120 V-RMS, 60 Hz AC source. The load is  $750 \Omega$ . Find,

a) Value of filter capacitance to keep the peak-to-peak voltage ripple less than 2 V.

b) Peak diode current.

Solution:

#### a) Value of Capacitance:

The value of capacitor to keep  $\Delta V_0 < 2\text{V}$  is,

$$\Delta V_0 = \frac{V_m}{fRC}$$

$$C = \frac{V_m}{fR\Delta V_0}$$

$$C = \frac{V_m}{fR\Delta V_0} = \frac{120 \times \sqrt{2}}{60 \times 750 \times 2}$$

$$C = 1885 \mu\text{F}$$

This value of C keeps the peak-to-peak ripples to less than 2 V.

#### b) Peak Diode Current:

For peak diode current, we have

$$i_{d(\text{peak})} = V_m \left( C\omega \cos \alpha + \frac{\sin \alpha}{R} \right)$$

For  $\alpha$ , we use the formula,

$$\Delta V_0 = V_m (1 - \sin \alpha)$$

$$2 = 169.7 (1 - \sin \alpha)$$

$$2 = 169.7 - 169.7 \sin \alpha$$

Re-arranging,

$$\alpha = \sin^{-1} 0.988214 = 1.417 \text{ rad} = 81.20^\circ$$

So,

$$i_{d(\text{peak})} = 169.7 \left( 1885 \times 10^{-6} \times 2 \times 3.14 \times 60 \times \cos 81.20 + \frac{\sin 81.20}{750} \right)$$

$$i_{d(\text{peak})} = 18.7 \text{ A}$$

**Question No. 3**

The half wave rectifier with RC load has a 200 V-RMS source at 60 Hz,  $R = 100 \Omega$ ,  $C = 100 \mu\text{F}$ ,  $\alpha = 0.843$  rad. Find the following,

- a) Peak to peak voltage.
- b) Peak diode current.
- c) Value of capacitor such that the output ripples are 10% of  $V_m$ .

Solutions:

**a) Peak to Peak Voltage Ripples:**

We check  $\omega RC$ ,

$$\omega RC = 2\pi fRC$$

$$\omega RC = 2 \times 3.14 \times 60 \times 100 \times 100 \times 10^{-6}$$

$$\omega RC = 3.76 > 1$$

So, we can use exact formula,

$$\Delta V_0 = V_m(1 - \sin \alpha)$$

$$\Delta V_0 = 200 \times \sqrt{2}(1 - \sin 0.843)$$

$$\Delta V_0 = 71.66 \text{ V}$$

**b) Peak Diode Current:**

For peak diode current, we have

$$i_{d(\text{peak})} = V_m \left( C\omega \cos \alpha + \frac{\sin \alpha}{R} \right)$$

$$i_{d (peak)} = 200 \times \sqrt{2} \left( 100 \times 10^{-6} \times 377 \times \cos 0.843 + \frac{\sin 0.843}{100} \right)$$

$$i_{d (peak)} = 9.20 \text{ A}$$

c) Value of Capacitor:

$$\Delta V_0 = \frac{V_m}{fRC}$$

$$C = \frac{V_m}{fR\Delta V_0}$$

$$C = \frac{200 \times \sqrt{2}}{60 \times 100 \times 0.1 (200 \times \sqrt{2})} = 1.66 \text{ } \mu\text{F}$$

**Question No. 4**

A half wave-controlled rectifier has a 120 V-RMS, 60 Hz AC source. The load resistance is 100  $\Omega$  and the delay angle is 45 degrees. Find,

- Average voltage across the load.
- Power absorbed by the load.
- Power factor seen by the source.

Solution:

### a) Average Voltage across Load:

We have the formula,

$$V_{o (avg)} = \frac{V_m}{2\pi} (1 + \cos \alpha)$$
$$V_{o (avg)} = \frac{120 \times \sqrt{2}}{2\pi} (1 + \cos 45) = 46.11 \text{ V}$$

### b) Power Absorbed by Load:

We know that,

$$P_o = \frac{V_o^2 (rms)}{R}$$

and,

$$V_o (rms) = \frac{V_m}{2} \sqrt{\left(1 - \frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right) + \left(\frac{\sin 2 \alpha}{2\pi}\right)}$$

$$V_o (rms) = \frac{120 \times \sqrt{2}}{2} \sqrt{\left(1 - \frac{0.785}{\pi}\right) + \left(\frac{\sin 2(0.785)}{2\pi}\right)} = 80.91 \text{ V}$$

So,

$$P_o = \frac{(80.91)^2}{100} = 65.46 \text{ W}$$

### c) Power Factor:

We have,

$$PF = \frac{P}{S} = \frac{P}{V_{in (rms)} \times i_{in (rms)}}$$

where,

$$i_{in (rms)} = i_o (rms) = \frac{V_o (rms)}{R} = \frac{80.91}{100} = 0.8091 \text{ A}$$

So,

$$PF = \frac{65.46}{120 \times 0.8091} = 0.67$$