

Lecture -6-

➤ **Single Phase Full-wave Rectifier with RL-Source load**

Another general industrial load may be modeled as a series resistance, inductance, and a dc voltage source, as shown in Fig. A dc motor drive circuit and a battery charger are applications for this model.

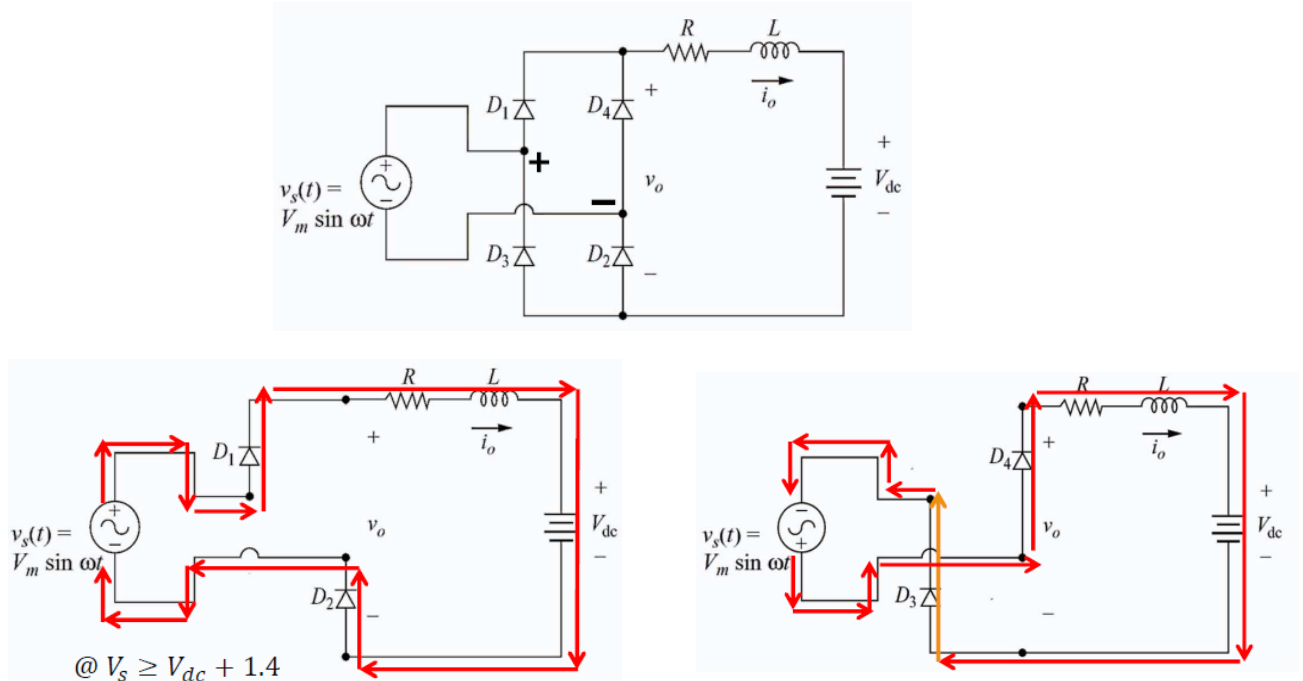
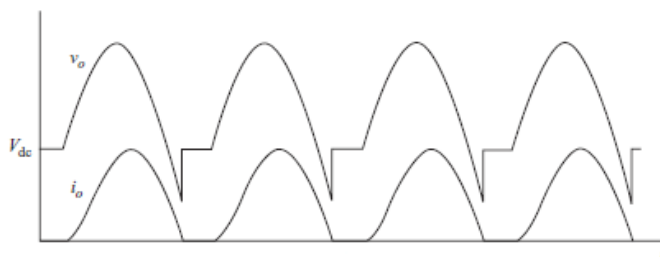


Figure A: Rectifier with RL-source load;

There are two possible modes of operation for this circuit:

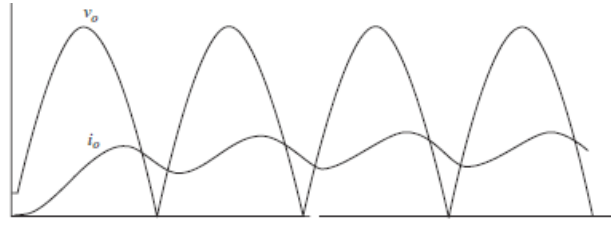
1- Discontinuous current

The load current returns to zero during every period. Discontinuous current is analyzed like the half-wave rectifier. The load voltage is not a full-wave rectified sine wave for this case, so the Fourier series does not apply.



2- Continuous current

The load current is always positive reaches the steady-state after a few periods. the voltage across the load is a full-wave rectified sine wave. The only modification to the analysis that was done for an RL load is in the dc term of the Fourier series.



The load voltage can be expressed as

$$V_o = \frac{2V_m}{\pi} - V_{dc}$$

$$I_o = \frac{\frac{2V_m}{\pi} - V_{dc}}{R}$$

$$v_o(t) = V_o + \sum_{n=2,4,6,\dots}^{\infty} V_n \cos(n\omega t + \pi)$$

$$V_n = \frac{2V_m}{\pi} \left(\frac{1}{n-1} - \frac{1}{n+1} \right), \quad n = 2, 4, 6, \dots$$

$$I_n = \frac{V_n}{Z_n}, \quad Z_n = |R + jn\omega L| = \sqrt{R^2 + (n\omega L)^2} \quad \text{where } \omega = 2\pi f \text{ rad/sec}$$

$$I_{o,rms} = \sqrt{\sum_n I_{n,rms}^2} = \sqrt{I_o^2 + \sum_{n=2,4,6,\dots} \left(\frac{I_n}{\sqrt{2}} \right)^2}$$

The power dissipated in the resistor can be computed from the rms current

$$P_R = I_{o,rms}^2 R$$

the power absorbed by the battery can be computed from the average current :

$$P_{dc} = I_o V_{dc}$$

The total power supplied by the source (absorbed or dissipated by the load):

$$P_S = P_L = P_R + P_{dc} = I_{o,rms}^2 R + I_o V_{dc}$$

The power factor can be computed from :

$$PF = \frac{P}{S} = \frac{P_L}{V_{s,rms} I_{s,rms}} = \frac{I_{o,rms}^2 R + I_o V_{dc}}{V_{s,rms} I_{s,rms}}$$

Example:

A full-wave rectifier has an Ac source with 120 V rms at 60 Hz, $R = 2 \Omega$, $L = 10 \text{ mH}$, $V_{dc} = 80 \text{ V}$. Determine (a) the power absorbed by the dc source, (b) the power absorbed by the resistor, and (c) the power factor.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a) } V_m &= 120 \times \sqrt{2} = 169.7 \text{ V} \\ V_o &= \frac{2V_m}{\pi} - V_{dc} = \frac{2 \times 169.7}{\pi} - 80 = 28 \text{ V} \\ I_o &= \frac{V_o}{R} = 14 \text{ A} \\ P_{dc} &= I_o V_{dc} = 14 \times 80 = 1120 \text{ W} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{b) Ac terms can be computed from } \rightarrow V_n &= \frac{2V_m}{\pi} \left(\frac{1}{n-1} - \frac{1}{n+1} \right) \\ V_2 &= \frac{2(169.7)}{\pi} \left(\frac{1}{2-1} - \frac{1}{2+1} \right) = 72 \text{ V} \\ V_4 &= \frac{2(169.7)}{\pi} \left(\frac{1}{4-1} - \frac{1}{4+1} \right) = 14.4 \text{ V} \quad , V_6 = 6.2 \text{ V} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} I_n &= \frac{V_n}{Z_n} \quad , \quad Z_n = |R + jn\omega L| = \sqrt{R^2 + (n\omega L)^2} \quad \text{where } \omega = 2\pi f = 377 \text{ rad/sec} \\ I_2 &= \frac{V_2}{Z_2} = \frac{72}{\sqrt{2^2 + (2 \times 377 \times 0.01)^2}} = 9.23 \text{ A} \\ I_4 &= \frac{V_4}{Z_4} = \frac{14.4}{\sqrt{2^2 + (4 \times 377 \times 0.01)^2}} = 0.9 \text{ A} \quad , \quad I_6 = 0.27 \text{ A} \end{aligned}$$

The power absorbed by the load is determined from : $P_R = I_{o,rms}^2 R$

$$\begin{aligned} I_{o,rms} &= \sqrt{\sum_n I_{n,rms}^2} = \sqrt{(14)^2 + \left(\frac{9.23}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{0.9}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^2 + \dots} \approx \mathbf{15.46 \text{ A}} \\ P_R &= I_{o,rms}^2 R = (15.46)^2 \times 2 = \mathbf{478 \text{ W}} \end{aligned}$$

n	V_n	Z_n	I_n
0	28	2	14
2	72	7.8	9.23
4	14.4	15.2	0.9
6	6.2	22.7	0.27
$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$

$$\text{c) } P_L = P_R + P_{dc} = 1120 + 478 = 1598 \text{ W}$$

$$\text{PF} = \frac{P}{S} = \frac{P_L}{V_{s,rms} I_{s,rms}} = \frac{1598}{120 \times 15.46} = 0.86$$

➤ Single-Phase full Wave Rectifier with A Capacitor Filter

Placing a large capacitor in parallel with a resistive load in a bridge rectifier can produce an output voltage that is essentially dc. The analysis is very much like that of the half-wave rectifier with a capacitance filter. In the full-wave circuit, the time that the capacitor discharges are smaller than that for the half-wave circuit because of the rectified sine wave in the second half of each period. The output voltage ripple for the full-wave rectifier is approximately one-half that of the half-wave rectifier. The peak output voltage will be less in the full-wave circuit because there are two diode voltage drops rather than one.

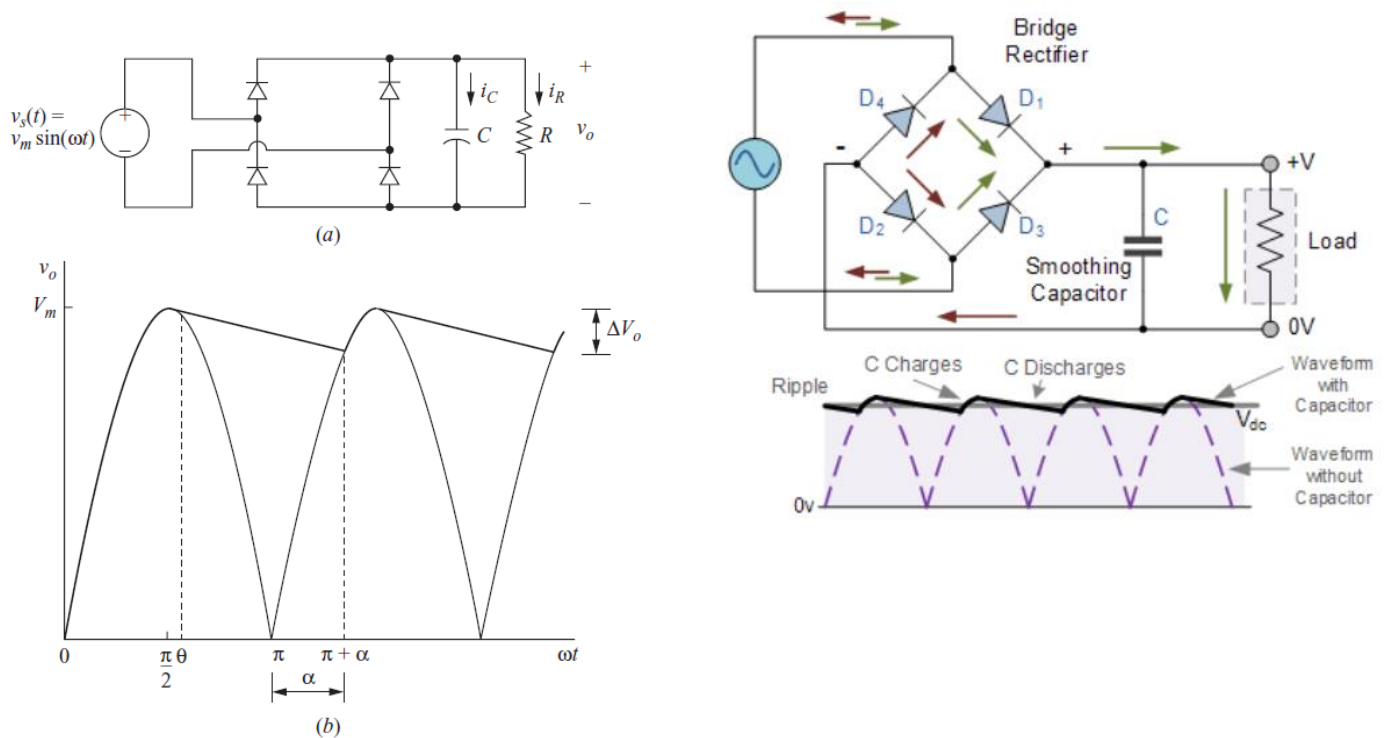


Figure (a) Full-wave rectifier with capacitance filter;(b) Source and output voltage.

The analysis proceeds exactly as for the half-wave rectifier. The output voltage is a positive sine function when one of the diode pairs is conducting and is a decaying exponential otherwise. Assuming ideal diodes,

$$v_o(\omega t) = \begin{cases} |V_m \sin \omega t| & \text{one diode pair on} \\ (V_m \sin \theta) e^{-(\omega t - \theta)/\omega RC} & \text{diodes off} \end{cases}$$

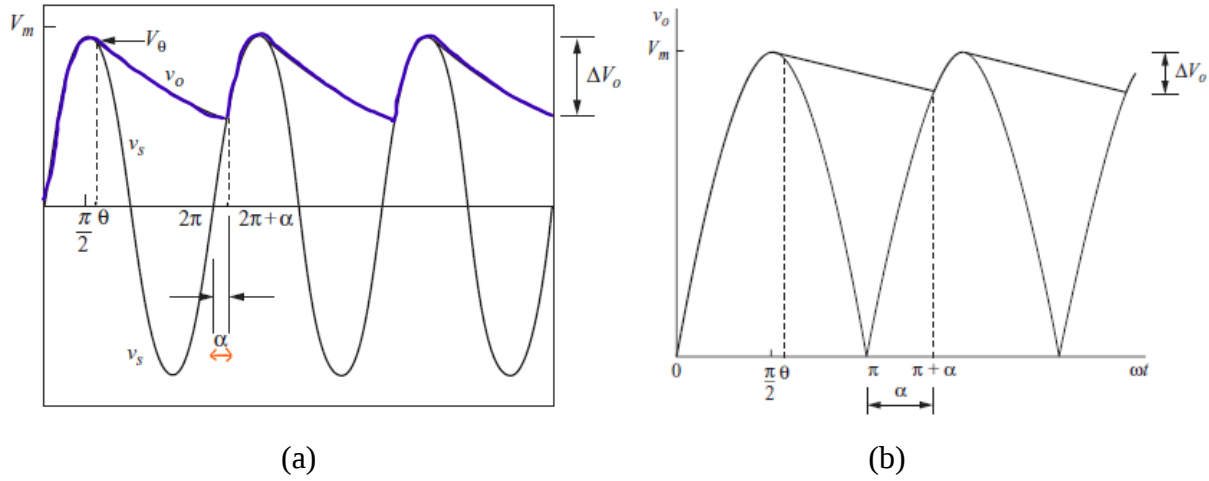
where θ is the angle where the diodes become reverse biased, which is the same as that for the half-wave rectifier

$$\theta = \tan^{-1}(-\omega RC) = -\tan^{-1}(\omega RC) + \pi$$

The peak-to-peak voltage variation, or ripple, is the difference between maximum and minimum voltages.

$$\Delta V_o = V_m - |V_m \sin(\pi + \alpha)| = V_m(1 - \sin \alpha)$$

This is the same as for voltage variation in the half-wave rectifier in fig (a). below, but α is larger for the full-wave rectifier and the ripple is smaller for a given load as fig. (b).



at $[\omega t = \pi + \alpha]$, and

$$v_o(\omega t) = \begin{cases} |V_m \sin \omega t| & \text{one diode pair on} \\ (V_m \sin \theta)e^{-(\omega t - \theta)/\omega RC} & \text{diodes off} \end{cases}$$

Where $\theta \approx \pi/2$ $\alpha \approx \pi/2$

The change in output voltage when the diode is off,

$$v_o(\pi + \alpha) = V_m e^{-(\pi + \pi/2 - \pi/2)/\omega RC} = V_m e^{-\pi/\omega RC}$$

The ripple voltage for the full-wave rectifier with a capacitor filter can then be approximated as

$$\Delta V_o \approx V_m(1 - e^{-\pi/\omega RC})$$

Furthermore, the exponential in the above equation can be approximated by the series expansion

$$e^{-\pi/\omega RC} \approx 1 - \frac{\pi}{\omega RC}$$

Substituting for the exponential in the approximation, the peak-to-peak ripple is

$$\Delta V_o \approx \frac{V_m \pi}{\omega RC} = \frac{V_m}{2fRC}$$

Note that the approximate peak-to-peak ripple voltage for the full-wave rectifier is one-half that of the half-wave rectifier.

Capacitor current is described by the same equations as for the half-wave rectifier.

$$i_C(\omega t) = \begin{cases} -\left(\frac{V_m \sin \theta}{R}\right) e^{-(\omega t - \theta)/\omega RC} & \text{for } \theta \leq \omega t \leq \pi + \alpha \quad (\text{diode off}) \\ \omega C V_m \cos(\omega t) & \text{for } \pi + \alpha \leq \omega t \leq \pi + \theta \quad (\text{diode on}) \end{cases}$$

Peak capacitor current occurs when the diode turns on at $[\omega t = \pi + \alpha]$,

$$I_{C, \text{peak}} = \omega C V_m \cos(\pi + \alpha) = \omega C V_m \cos \alpha$$

for the half-wave rectifier, the peak diode current is much larger than the average diode current and Eq. below applies.

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

the average diode current is half of average load current

$$I_D = \frac{I_o}{2}$$

The average source current is zero.

Example:

The full-wave rectifier of Fig. 4-6 has a 120-V rms 60 Hz source and a load resistance of 200 Ω . Determine the filter capacitance required to limit the peak to-peak output voltage ripple to 1 percent of the dc output. Determine the peak and average diode currents.

$$\Delta V \approx \frac{V_m}{2fRC}; \quad V_o \approx V_m 120\sqrt{2} = 169.7 \text{ V}; \quad 0.01V_o \approx 1.7 \text{ V}.$$

$$C = \frac{V_m}{2fR\Delta V_o} = \frac{169.7}{2(60)(200)(1.7)} = 4160 \text{ } \mu\text{F}.$$

$$I_D = \frac{I_o}{2} = \frac{V_o}{2R} \approx \frac{169.7}{2(200)} = 0.43 \text{ A}.$$

$I_{D,peak}$: from Eq.

$$\alpha = \sin^{-1} \left(1 - \frac{\Delta V_o}{V_m} \right) = \sin^{-1} \left(1 - \frac{1.7}{169.7} \right) = 81.9^\circ$$

$$\text{From Eq.} \quad I_{D,peak} = V_m \left(\omega C \cos \alpha + \frac{\sin \alpha}{R} \right)$$

$$= 120\sqrt{2} \left(377(8.32)(10)^{-3} \cos 81.9^\circ + \frac{\sin 81.9^\circ}{200} \right) = 38.5 \text{ A}.$$

Example:

The full-wave rectifier with capacitance filter has a 120 rms V source at 60 Hz, $R = 500 \Omega$, and $C = 100 \mu\text{F}$. (a) Determine the peak-to-peak voltage variation of the output (b) Determine the value of capacitance that would reduce the output voltage ripple to 1 percent of the dc value. $\alpha = 1.06 \text{ rad} = 60.6^\circ$

■ Solution

$$V_m = 120\sqrt{2} = 169.7 \text{ V}$$

(a) Peak-to-peak output voltage is described by

$$\Delta V_o = V_m(1 - \sin \alpha) = 169.7[1 - \sin(1.06)] = 22 \text{ V}$$

(b) With the ripple limited to 1 percent, the output voltage will be held close to V_m and the approximation of Eq.

$$\frac{\Delta V_o}{V_m} = 0.01 \approx \frac{1}{2fRC}$$

$$C \approx \frac{1}{2fR(\Delta V_o/V_m)} = \frac{1}{(2)(60)(500)(0.01)} = 1670 \text{ } \mu\text{F}$$

Example:

A half-wave rectifier has a 120 V rms source at 60 Hz, $R = 500 \Omega$. The capacitance required for a 1 percent ripple in output voltage was determined to be 3333 μF . Determine the capacitance required for a 1 percent ripple if a full-wave rectifier is used instead. Determine the peak diode currents for each circuit. Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of each circuit.

$C \approx 3333/2 = 1667 \mu\text{F}$. Peak diode currents are the same. Fullwave circuit has advantages of zero average source current, smaller capacitor, and average diode current $\frac{1}{2}$ that for the halfwave. The halfwave circuit has fewer diodes, and has only one diode voltage drop rather than two.
