

- 6 Fig. 6.1 shows part of a bridge rectifier circuit that can be used for rectification of an alternating input voltage V_{IN} .

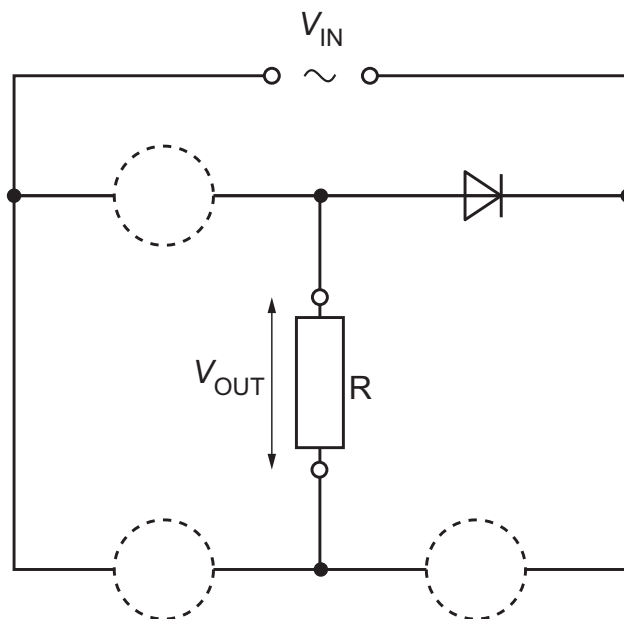


Fig. 6.1

The circuit contains four diodes, one of which is shown.
The rectified output voltage V_{OUT} is applied across load resistor R .

- (a) (i) State what is meant by rectification.

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- (ii) State the name of the type of rectification produced by a bridge rectifier circuit.

..... [1]

- (iii) Complete the circuit in Fig. 6.1 by drawing the three missing diodes inside the dashed circles. [2]

(b) The input voltage varies with time t according to the equation

$$V_{\text{IN}} = 34 \sin 18t$$

where V_{IN} is in V and t is in s.

(i) Show that the period of the input voltage is 0.35 s.

[2]

(ii) Calculate the root-mean-square (r.m.s.) input voltage.

r.m.s. voltage = V [1]

(iii) On Fig. 6.2, sketch the variation of V_{OUT} with t from $t = 0$ to $t = 0.35$ s.

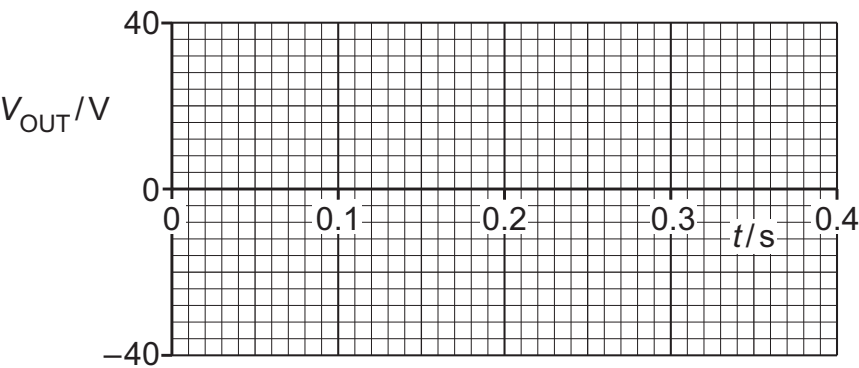


Fig. 6.2

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(c) Resistor R has a resistance of $56\text{ k}\Omega$. A capacitor of capacitance $12\text{ }\mu\text{F}$ is connected into the circuit of Fig. 6.1 in order to smooth the output voltage.

(i) On Fig. 6.1, draw the capacitor correctly connected into the circuit. [1]

(ii) Calculate the time constant of the smoothing circuit.

time constant = s [2]

(iii) During each discharge cycle, the time for which the capacitor is discharging is 0.14 s .

Determine the minimum value of the smoothed output voltage.

minimum voltage = V [2]

[Total: 15]

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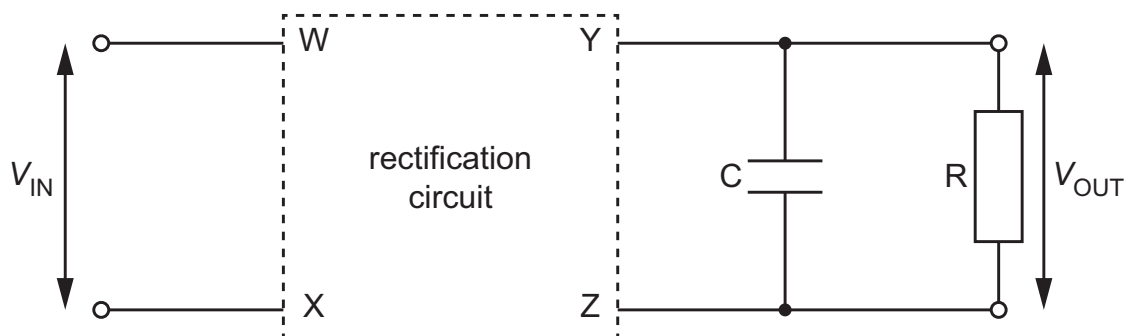


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The four terminals of the rectification circuit are labelled W, X, Y and Z.
A capacitor C is connected in parallel with resistor R .

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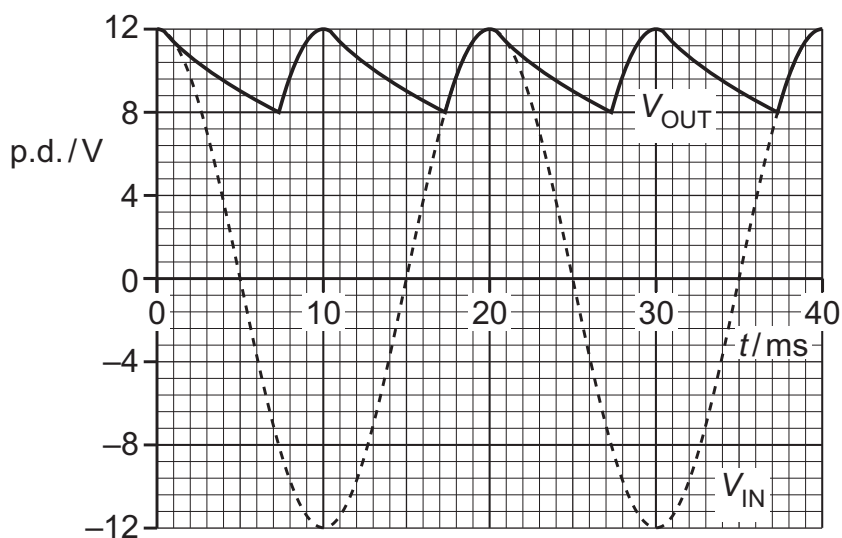


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- (i) The variation of V_{IN} with t can be represented by

$$V_{\text{IN}} = A \cos Bt$$

where A and B are constants.

Determine the values of A and B . Give a unit with your answer for A .

$A =$ unit

$B =$ rad s^{-1}
[2]

- (ii) Determine the type of rectification produced by the circuit in Fig. 6.1.

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- (iii) On Fig. 6.3, draw the circuit diagram for the components inside the rectification circuit.



Fig. 6.3

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- (iv) Determine a value for the time constant for the discharge of the capacitor C through the resistor R in Fig. 6.1.

time constant = s [3]

(c) The capacitor C has a capacitance of $570\mu\text{F}$.

Use your answer in (b)(iv) to determine the resistance of resistor R.

resistance = Ω [2]

[Total: 12]

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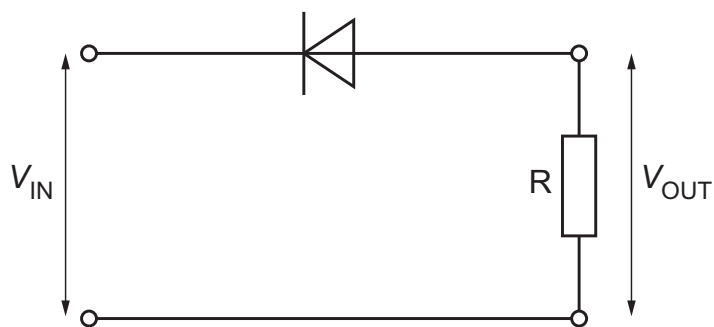


Fig. 8.1

The input voltage V_{IN} is sinusoidal. The rectified output voltage V_{OUT} is applied across resistor R . The variation of V_{IN} with time t has amplitude V_0 and period T , as shown in Fig. 8.2.

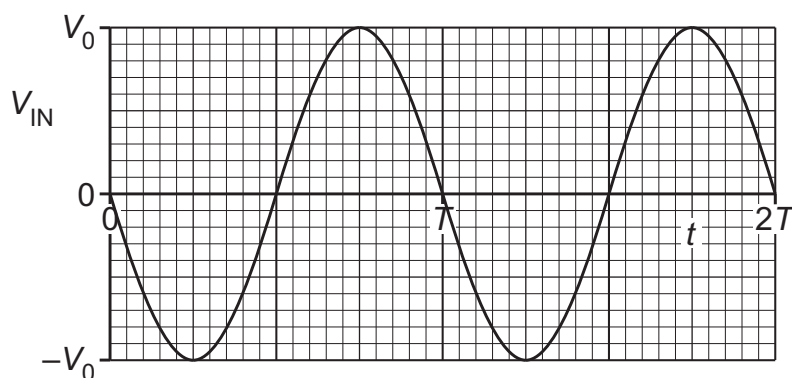


Fig. 8.2

The root-mean-square (r.m.s.) value of V_{IN} is 6.0 V .

- (a) (i) State the type of rectification produced by the circuit of Fig. 8.1.

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- (ii) Calculate V_0 .

$V_0 = \dots\dots\dots \text{ V [1]}$

(b) Resistor R has resistance $45\,\Omega$.

Assume that there is no p.d. across the diode when it is conducting.

(i) Determine the peak power P_0 in the resistor.

$P_0 = \dots\dots\dots$ W [2]

(ii) On Fig. 8.3, sketch the variation of the power P in the resistor with t between $t = 0$ and $t = 2T$.

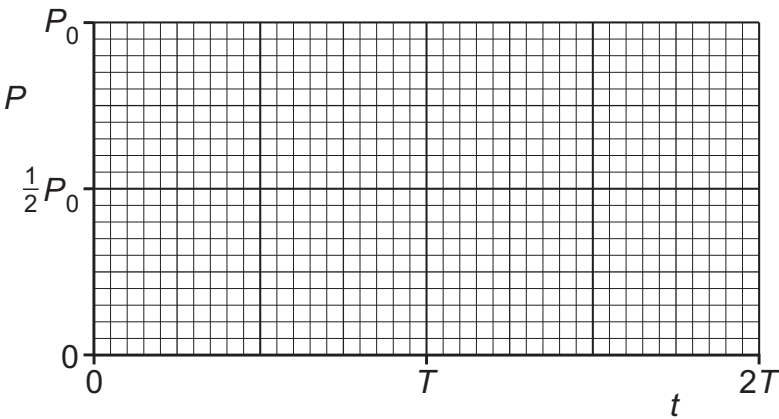


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(iii) Use the answer in (b)(ii) to explain why the mean power in the resistor is $\frac{1}{4}P_0$.

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(iv) Use the information in (b)(iii) to determine the r.m.s. value of V_{OUT} .

r.m.s. voltage = $\dots\dots\dots$ V [1]

[Total: 10]

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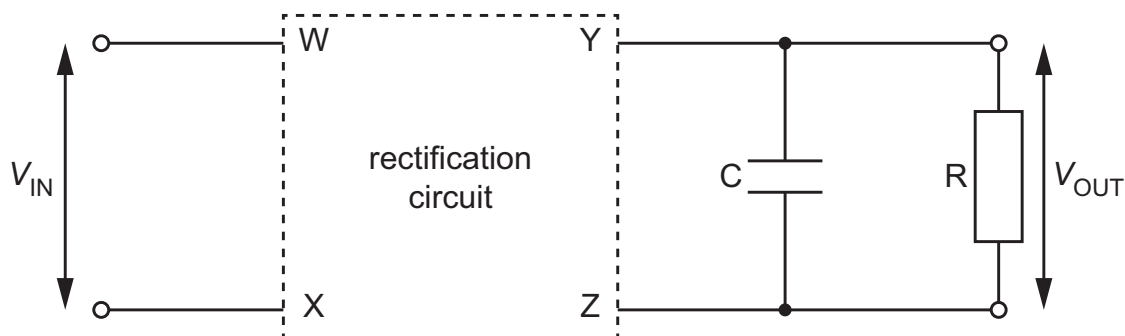


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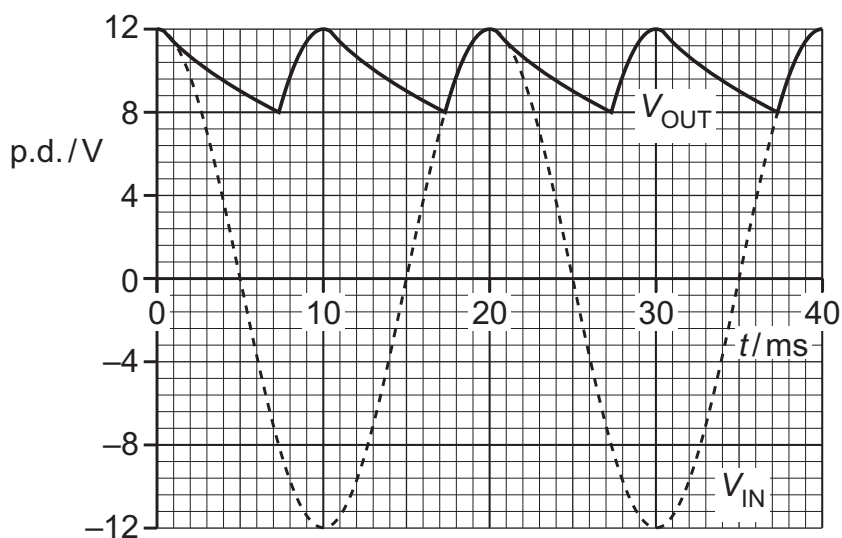


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- 8 An incomplete circuit diagram of a bridge rectifier is shown in Fig. 8.1.

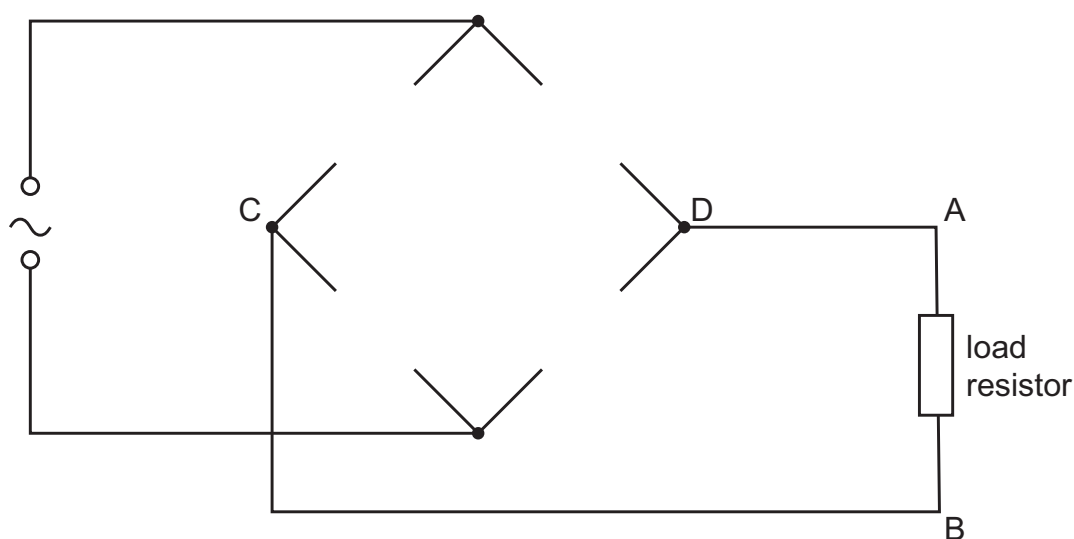


Fig. 8.1

- (a) Complete Fig. 8.1 for the bridge rectifier such that the point A is at a positive potential with respect to point B. [2]
- (b) The variation with time t of the potential difference (p.d.) V across the load resistor is shown in Fig. 8.2.

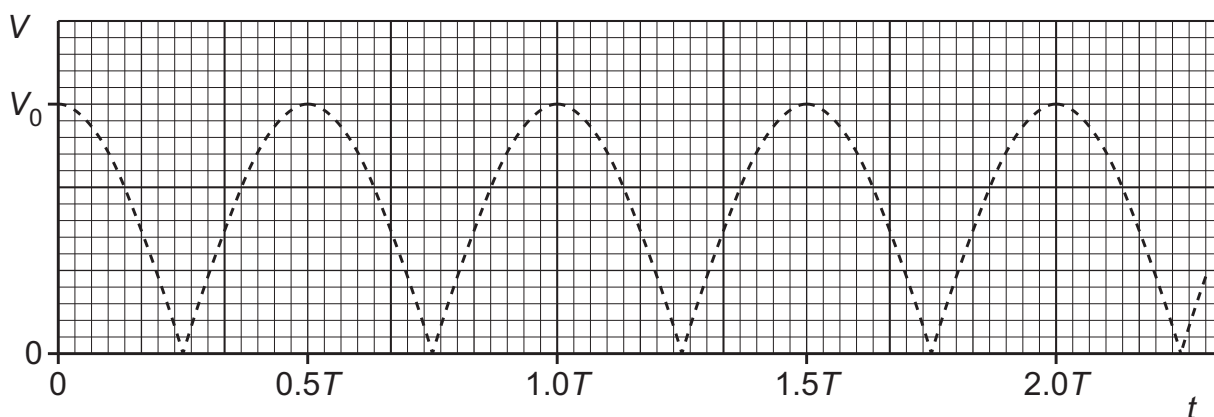


Fig. 8.2

A capacitor is now connected between points C and D of the bridge rectifier. This results in smoothing of the p.d. across the load resistor. The difference between the maximum and minimum values of the smoothed p.d. is 33% of the peak p.d. V_0 .

- (i) On Fig. 8.2, draw a line to show the variation of the potential difference V across the load resistor with time t . Your line should extend from $t = 0.5T$ to $t = 2.0T$. [3]

(ii) Use your line in (b)(i) to determine, in terms of T , the time constant of the smoothing circuit.

time constant = T [3]

(iii) The resistance of the load resistor is now increased. The capacitance of the capacitor is unchanged.

State and explain the effect of this change on the smoothed output p.d.

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[Total: 10]