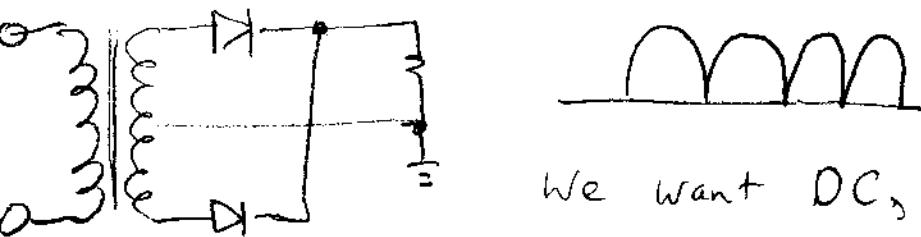


# Power supply filters (2.1.3)

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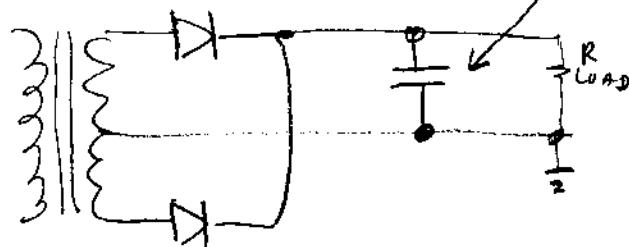
Recall ---

A rectifier puts out something like this:

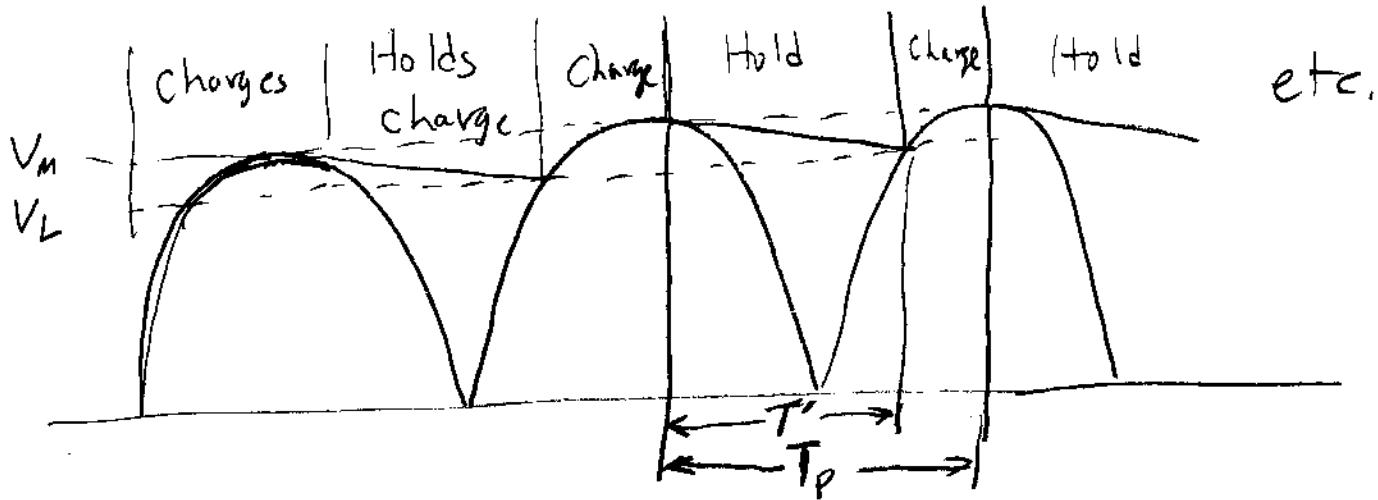


We want DC, without ripple.

Idea: Add a capacitor



It charges when the diode is on, then holds the charge.



The capacitor holds the voltage to nearly the peak voltage.

The diode is only on for a short period at the peak (marked "charge" here). The output has a small (?) ripple.

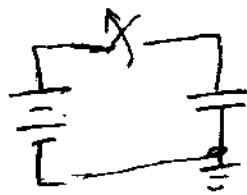
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Recall --- The formula for a capacitor voltage decaying --

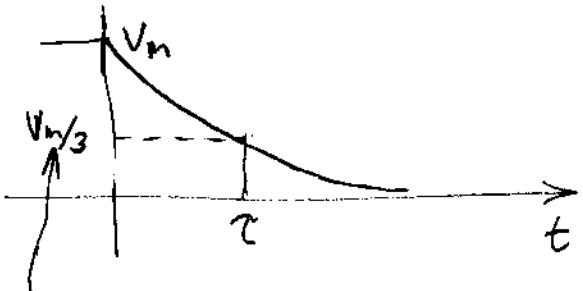
$$V_o(t) = V_m e^{-\frac{t}{\tau}}$$

$t$  = time s/m

$$\begin{aligned}\tau &= \text{time constant} \\ &= RC\end{aligned}$$



(It is like the input dropping so the diode turns off)



approximately.

(Actually --  $0.368 V_m$ )  
 $0.368 = e^{-1} \approx \frac{1}{3}$

For power supply filters,  
 we can only tolerate  
 a little ripple,  
 so  $\tau$  is much longer  
 than the ripple period. ( $T_f$ )  
 (time between peaks)

The smallest output voltage is when the  
 diode turns back on -- after time  $\tau'$

$$V_L = V_m e^{\frac{-\tau'}{\tau}}$$

Ripple voltage is the difference --

$$V_f = V_m - V_L = V_m \left(1 - e^{-\frac{\tau'}{\tau}}\right)$$

Recall --

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$$e^x = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} + \dots$$

(Taylor series)

If  $x$  is small,  $1+x$  is a good approximation.

so...  $e^{-\frac{T'}{\tau}} \approx 1 - \frac{T'}{\tau}$

$$\begin{aligned} V_r &\approx V_M \left( 1 - \left( 1 - \frac{T'}{\tau} \right) \right) \\ &= V_M \left( \frac{T'}{\tau} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$T'$  is a little less than  $T_p$ .

and hard to solve

Substitute  $T_p$  for  $T'$  -

The error is small and in the safe direction.

so (also sub.  $\tau = RC$ )

$$V_r \approx V_M \left( \frac{T_p}{RC} \right)$$

Actual ripple  
will be a little less.  
This is close enough.

For half wave rectifier

$$T_p = \frac{1}{f}$$

$f$  is the AC "signal?"  
frequency,

For full wave rectifier

$$T_p = \frac{1}{2f}$$

### Example:

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A power supply must deliver 100 volt at 100 mA with less than 10 volts (peak to peak) ripple. What is C? for half wave?  
full wave?

Power frequency = 60 Hz.

Solution:  $R_{load} = \frac{100V}{0.1A} = 1000\Omega$

$$V_r \approx V_m \left( \frac{T_p}{RC} \right) \Rightarrow C \approx \frac{V_m}{V_r} \frac{T_p}{R} = \frac{V_m}{V_r R_f}$$

$$\frac{V_m}{V_r} = 10 \quad R = 1000 \quad T_p = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{60} = .0167 \\ \frac{1}{120} = .008333 \end{cases}$$

Half wave:

$$C = \frac{100}{(10)(1000)(60)} = 167 \mu F$$

Full wave:

$$C = \frac{100}{(10)(1000)(120)} = 83.3 \mu F$$

Normally, you will use the next larger standard value  $\rightarrow 100 \mu F$  for full wave  
 $200$  or  $220 \mu F$  for half wave.

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Variants of the formula --

$$C = \frac{V_m}{V_r} \frac{T_p}{R}$$

with current --  $V_m = IR$

$$C = \frac{IR}{V_r} \frac{T_p}{R} = \frac{I T_p}{V_r} \quad \leftarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{Usually, this is} \\ \text{the easiest form} \\ \text{to use.} \end{array}$$

or  $C = \frac{I}{V_r f} \quad \leftarrow$

Half wave :  $C = \frac{1}{(10)(60)} = 16.7 \mu F$

Full wave !  $C = \frac{1}{(10)(120)} = 83.3 \mu F$

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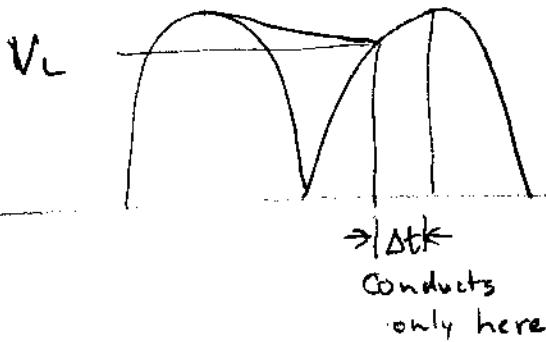
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## Diode current and Capacitor current

Diode current flows only in a small part of the cycle, yet load current flows continuously.

It comes from the capacitor.

Peak current is much higher than average current.



To calculate  $\Delta t$  ---

$$V_L = V_m \cos(\omega \Delta t)$$

Taking the first 2 terms of the Taylor series -

$$\cos(x) \approx 1 - \frac{1}{2}x^2$$

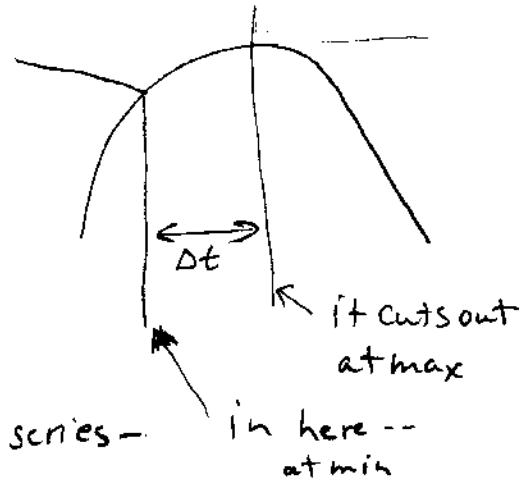
$$V_L = V_m \left(1 - \frac{1}{2}(\omega \Delta t)^2\right)$$

$$V_m - V_r = V_m \left(1 - \frac{1}{2}(\omega \Delta t)^2\right)$$

$$V_m - V_r = V_m - \frac{V_m}{2}(\omega \Delta t)^2$$

$$V_r = \frac{V_m}{2}(\omega \Delta t)^2$$

$$\frac{2V_r}{V_m} = (\omega \Delta t)^2$$



example:

$$\sqrt{\frac{2(10)}{100}} = .44 \text{ rad}$$

$$= 25 \text{ deg.}$$

$$\omega \Delta t = \sqrt{\frac{2V_r}{V_m}}$$

$$\Delta t = \frac{\sqrt{\frac{2V_r}{V_m}}}{\omega}$$

Example:

$$\Delta t = \frac{\sqrt{\frac{2(10)}{100}}}{2\pi 60} = 1.18 \times 10^{-3}$$

Charge lost by capacitor to load:

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$$Q = CV_r \quad \text{also} \quad Q = I T_p \quad (q = \frac{di}{dt})$$

This charge must be restored when the diode is on..

$$Q = i_{\text{cap.}} \Delta t$$

avg. Current  
during charge.

charge time

Example:

$$\rightarrow Q = (167 \mu\text{F})(10) \\ = 1.67 \times 10^{-3} \text{ coul.}$$

$$i_{\text{cap.}} = \frac{Q}{\Delta t}$$

$$i_{\text{cap.}} = \frac{1.67 \times 10^{-3}}{1.18 \times 10^{-3}}$$

$$= 1.415 \text{ Amp.}$$

Diode current = cap current + load current

$$i_{\text{diode}} = i_{\text{cap.}} + i_{\text{load}}$$

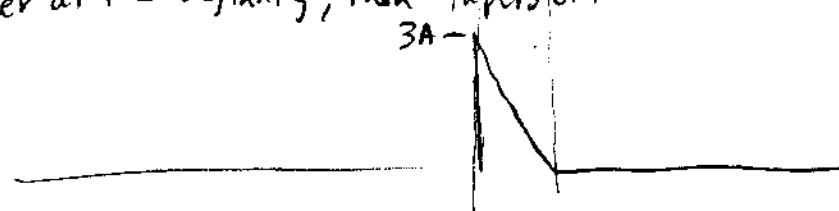
$$i_D = 1.415 + .1 \\ = 1.515$$

But that assumes it is uniform:

$I +$  isn't.



Actual is higher at the beginning, then tapers off.



It is roughly triangular,

so the peak is about twice the average.

(3A for this example.)

## Exercises:

(Not to hand in)

P	#
61	1

62-63	2,3,4,5
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87	4,8,11
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To hand in:

P. 95 D 2.53

It doesn't come out exact.

Get as close as you can.

Assume  $V_D = .7$ 

What is peak diode current?

peak inverse diode voltage?