



# Electronic Devices

## 1.1 Basic concept of electronics and its applications

Electronics is the branch of science and engineering which deals with the flow of electrons through vacuum or gas or semiconductor.

Electronics is derived from the word electron, which is present inside the atom of all materials.

As such, electronics is the branch of engineering which essentially deals with electronic devices and their utilization.

### Applications of electronics

Electronics plays important role in almost all spheres of life. Some of the important applications are -

#### a) Communication & Entertainment:

Electronics plays a very vast role in the field of communication. Starting from telephone, telegraph to wireless, satellite communications, world wide communications in real time, in audio, video, form over a short range of time

② ~~are~~ the contribution of electronics.  
on the field of entertainment -  
voice & music recording and playing.  
signal display systems, and almost  
all aspects of entertainment are  
flourished with electronics.

b) Industrial Application:

Industrial tasks like conveyance,  
transportation, extraction, lighting,  
process control, cutting, bending,  
melting, smelting, packaging etc.  
are being performed electronically.

c) Defence applications

RADARS, SONARS, AWACS etc are  
electronic systems used in military  
applications. Missile launching, Aeroplane  
war plane landing etc are controlled  
by electronic principles.

d) Medical applications

Medical diagnosis and treatment process  
like X-ray, Endoscopy, Electrocardiograph  
are performed by electronic systems.  
Oscilloscopes, various electronic measuring  
instruments are used in the field  
of medical science.

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### e) Automobile field:

In automobile field, ignition systems, breaking systems, control of fuel flow, speed measurement and monitoring, control of engine performance, fault tracing and automatic control systems are performed with the help of electronics.

f) Digital Electronics: measurement and recording instruments, display units are operated with digital electronics. Almost all measuring and control instruments are now a days converting from its analog mode to digital electronics mode.

g) Instrumentation: operations like calibration, sophistication, accuracy, maintenance etc. are coming under instrumentation which is mostly electronically performed.

## 1.2. Basic concept of Electron emission and its types.

Electron emission: The liberation of electrons from the surface of a substance (usually metals) is known as electron emission.

In some materials (usually metals) the valence electrons in the outermost orbit are very loosely held by the nucleus.

work function has the unit of (energy) eV (electron volt)

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These electrons are called free electrons. The force by which a metal surface prevents the free electrons from escaping is called surface barrier of that metal.

If sufficient amount of external energy is applied to the metal, the kinetic energy of the free electrons will be increased over the surface barrier and they will be liberated from the surface.

The amount of energy required by an electron to overcome the surface barrier of a metal to escape from its surface is called work function of that metal.

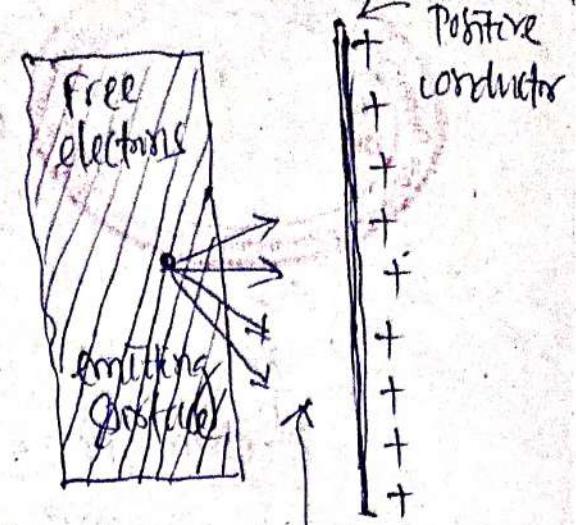
### Types of electron emission:

Electrons are emitted from the surface of a metal if sufficient energy (equal to work function of the metal) is supplied externally. This external energy may come from heat, electric field, light or by bombardment of charged particles on the metal surface. Accordingly there are 4 methods of electronic emission.

a) Thermionic emission: The metallic surface is heated to very high temperature (about  $2500^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) so as to enable the free electrons to leave the surface. This type of electron

(ii) Field emission: The process of electron emission from the surface of a material by applying very strong electric field (field) at the surface is known as field emission.

⑥ A very high voltage (+vely charged) conductor is placed close to the metal surface. The very high +ve field attracts electrons from the metallic surface because the force of attraction exceeds the potent. surface barrier.

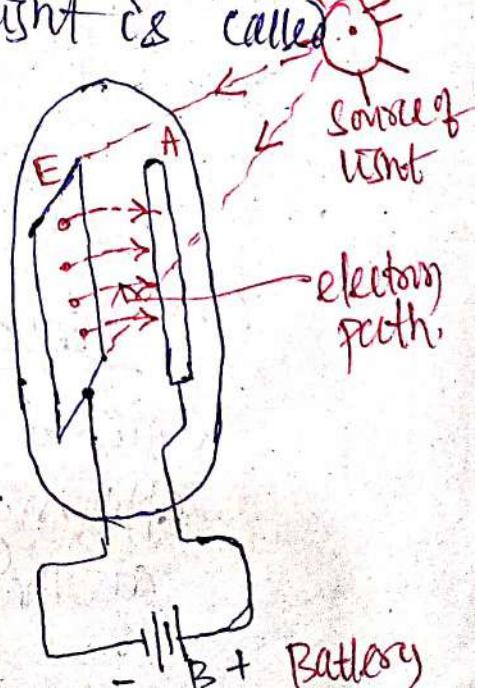


Electric field of the order of million volts per centimeter distance between the emitting surface and the +ve conductor is required to cause field emission. The temperature at the time of field emission may be equal to room temperature (very low as compared to thermionic emission). Hence field emission is also sometimes called as cold cathode emission or auto-electronic emission.

### c) Photoelectric emission :

Electron emission from a metallic surface by the application of light is called photoelectric emission.

When rays of light of proper intensity strikes the surface of certain metals (photo emissive metals like Potassium, Sodium, Cesium), the



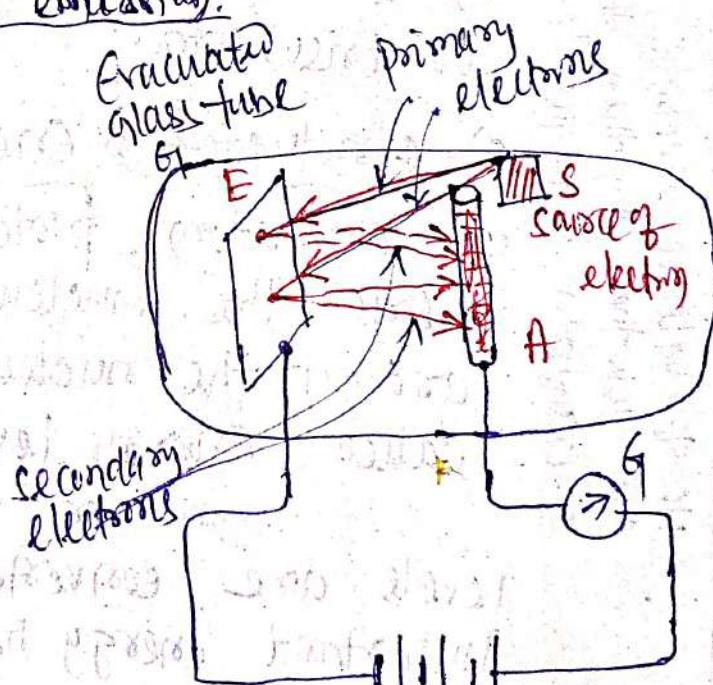
(7) energy of photons of light is transferred to the free electrons. If the energy of the striking photons is greater than the work function of the metal (called emitter or cathode) then electrons are liberated from the metal surface.

Such electrons are called photoelectrons and are collected by a freely charged anode. A potential difference is maintained between the anode and cathode. The whole arrangement is called a phototube.

The amount of photoelectric emission depends upon the intensity of light falling on the metal surface and the frequency of radiation.

#### (d) Secondary emission:

Electron emission from a metallic surface by the bombardment of high speed electrons or other particles is known as secondary emission.



As shown in the figure, when very high velocity electrons (primary electrons) strike a metal surface, they give part or all of their kinetic energy to the free

valence electron: Electrons present in the outermost orbit of an atom are called valence electrons.

No. of valence electrons can be maximum upto 8. If the no. of valence electrons are less than 4, then the material is a conductor, more than 4, it is a semiconductor, & insulator and equal to 4 is a semiconductor.

(8) electrons in the metal, thus enabling them to overtake the workfunction of the metal and get liberated (called secondary electrons).

These secondary electrons collected by the anode, produces emission current. Intensity of emission current depends upon the emitter material and mass and energy of the bombarding particles.

### 1.3 classification of material according to electrical conductivity.

According to electrical conductivity, any materials can be classified into 3 categories  
a) conductors b) semiconductors c) non conductors or insulators.

#### a) conductors $\rightarrow$ Energy Band Structure.

In an atom, proton and neutron are positioned inside the nucleus, whereas electrons revolve around the nucleus in different orbits called energy levels.

In an isolated atom, the energy levels are converted into energy bands. Important energy bands in an atom are

- i) valence band
- ii) conduction band

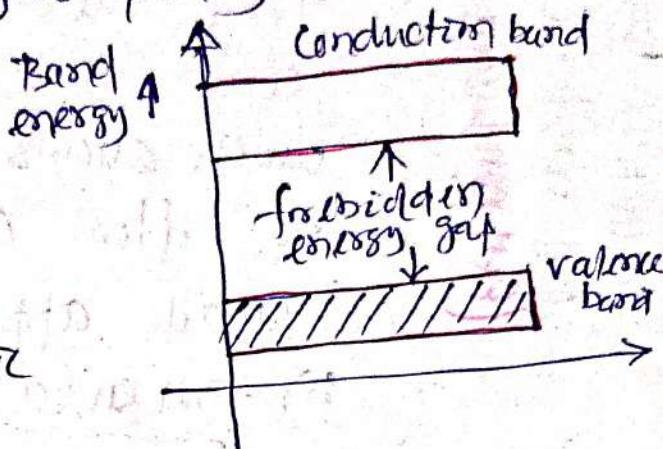
There is an energy difference or gap between these two bands called forbidden energy gap.



i) valence band: The electrons in the innermost orbit of an atom are called free valence electrons. These electrons possess highest energy and the energy band that contains valence electrons, is called valence band. This band may be completely or partly filled.

ii) conduction band:

When the valence electrons will get some external energy they will be liberated from the surface (free from atomic bond) and will move to a next higher energy band.



These electrons are called free electrons and are responsible for conduction of electrical current in the material. The band consisting these free (conducting) electrons is called conduction band.

iii) forbidden energy gap:

The energy gap between valence band and conduction band is called forbidden energy gap. No electron can remain in forbidden energy gap.

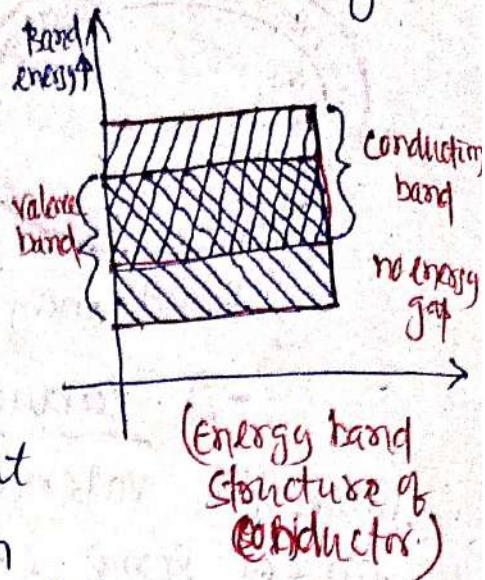
a) conductors: The materials (usually metals) which allows the passage of electric current through it without any obstruction or resistance are called good conductors.

Considering the energy band structure of conductors - they have filled valence

conductors have very high conductivity and very low (zero) resistivity.

(Ex: Conductors - Copper, Aluminum, Silver, etc.)

bands and filled conduction bands. Actually these two bands are partly overlapping with each other and there is no band energy gap. So large no. of free electrons are present in conduction band which allows large current to flow across it, with small applied potential difference.

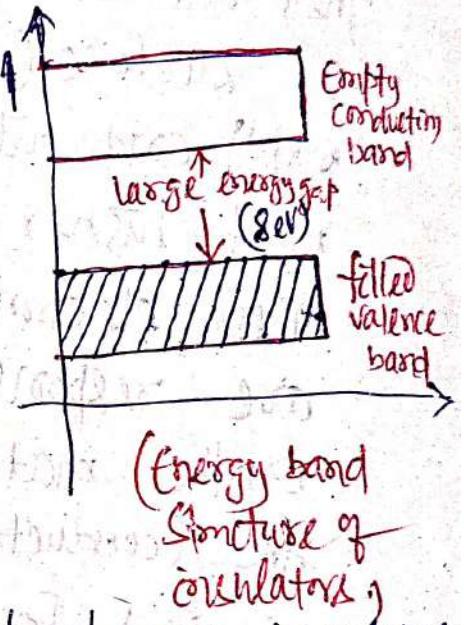


b) Insulators:

insulators (non conductors)

are materials through which electric current cannot pass through. Insulators have

very less (zero) conductivity and very high resistivity.



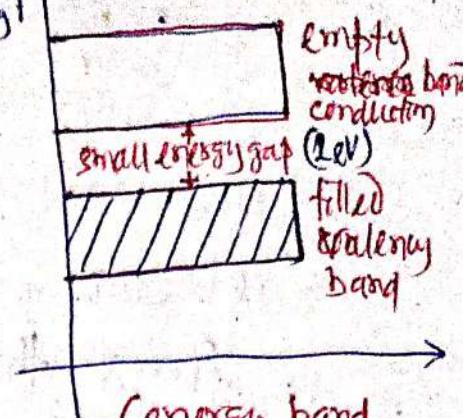
(Ex: of insulators; wood, glass, mica etc.)

on terms of energy band structure = insulators have completely filled valence band and completely empty conduction band with a very wide forbidden energy gap in between. As no free electrons are available in the conduction band, electric current can not flow through it.

c) Semiconductors: Semiconductors are materials (ex: carbon, germanium, silicon)

(11) whose electrical conductivity lies between those of conductor and insulators.

Under ordinary condition, semiconductors have filled valence band and empty conduction band but with a small forbidden energy gap (1eV). So applying a small electric field, valence electrons will jump to conduction band and the material will conduct electric current. Now incresion temperature, more no. of valence electrons will jump to conduction band, thus incresion the conductivity of the semiconductor.



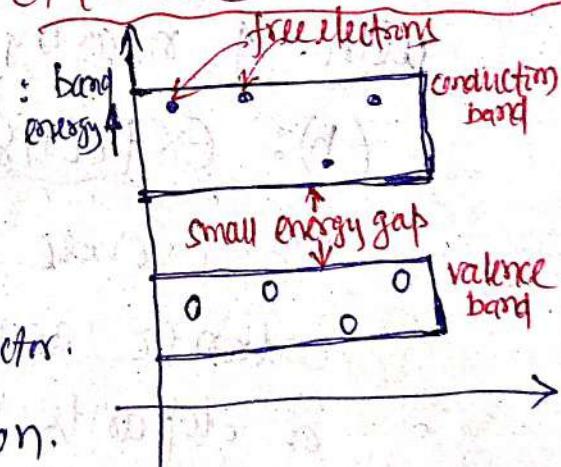
(energy band structure of semiconductor)

### 1.4: Intrinsic and Extrinsic Semiconductors

#### a): Intrinsic Semiconductor

A semiconductor in its extremely pure form is called intrinsic semiconductor.

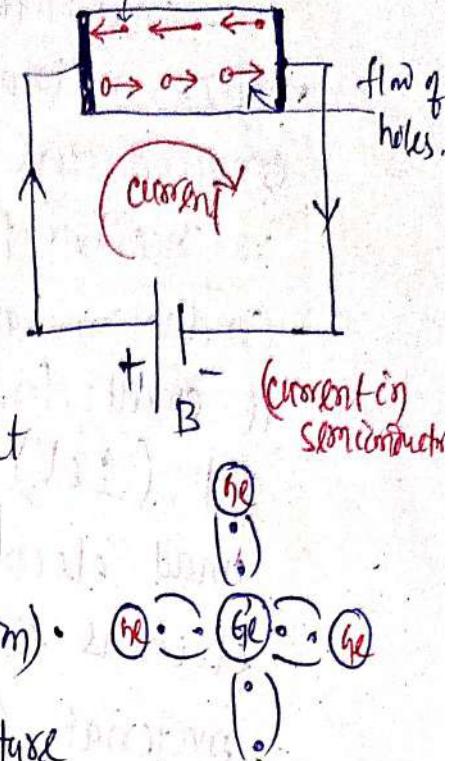
Ex: pure germanium, silicon.



At absolute zero temperature, it has filled valence band and empty conduction band. But with slight increase in temperature (say upto room temperature), some valence electrons will move to conduction band and move there freely. The absence of electron (-ve charge)

(12) In valence band produces a hole (+ve charge) which also can move freely in valence band.

Now applying an external electric field, current flows through the semiconductor. This current consists of electron current (opposite in direction) and hole current (indirection).



If we will consider bond structure

of intrinsic semiconductor (Ge or Si)

It has valency = 4, so 4, outer

electrons makes covalent bond

with A nearby germanium atom as shown fig.

~~extn. bond strct.~~  
of pure  
(semiconductor)

### (b): Extrinsic Semiconductor

To increase the conduction ability, pure or intrinsic semiconductors are added with impurity or dopants, forming an impure or extrinsic semiconductors. The dopants are added (this process is called doping) in atomic level and the proportion is  $1 : 10^8$  (impurity atom to base atoms). The dopant atom will have valency  $A \pm 1 = 5 \text{ or } 3$ . where A is the valency of Ge & Si. According there are two types of extrinsic semiconductors.

## ii) n-type extrinsic Semiconductors: (B)



n-type (or negative type) extrinsic semiconductors are produced when pure Ge or Si is added with some pentavalent impurity atoms (Ex-Arsenic, Antimony etc).

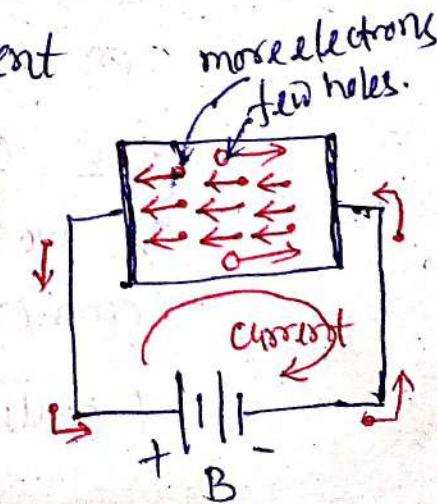
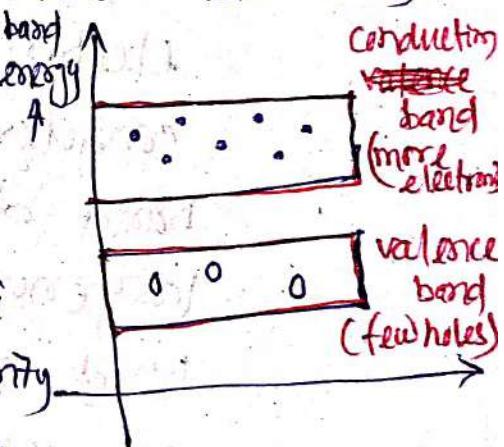
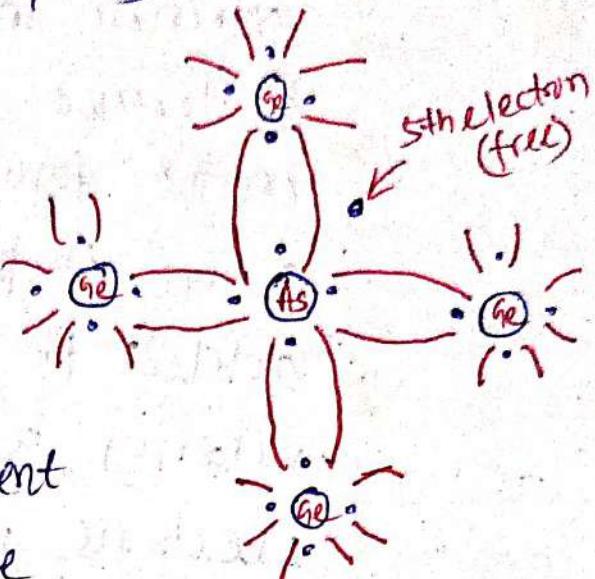
Considering the atomic structure, when pentavalent I.) arsenic (As) is added, it has 5 valence electrons out of which 4 makes covalent bonds with 4 nearby Ge atoms and the 5th electron remains free and moves to the conduction band.

With the application of little heat or electricity no. of free electrons in conduction band <sup>much</sup> becomes more than the no. of holes in valence band.

So in n-type extrinsic semi conductors, electrons are majority carriers and holes are minority carriers and total circuit current

is mostly due to electrons.

This can be practically verified by applying an external electric field as shown in the figure.



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## (ii) P-type extrinsic Semiconductor:

When trivalent impurities like Boron, Gallium, Indium are added to pure Ge or Si to form the P-type (+ve type).

Extrinsic semiconductor

is formed. As shown in the figure, when

a Ga impurity atom is

added to Ge, Ga has

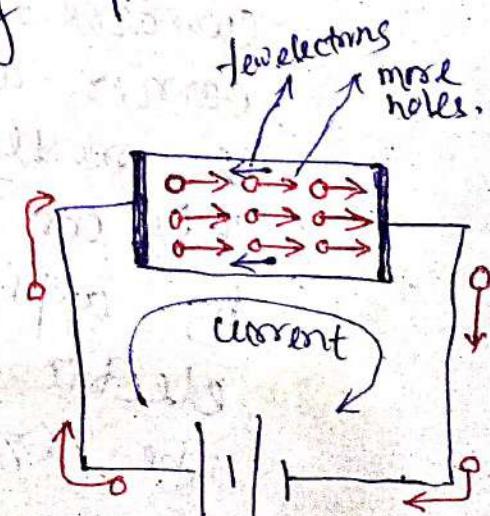
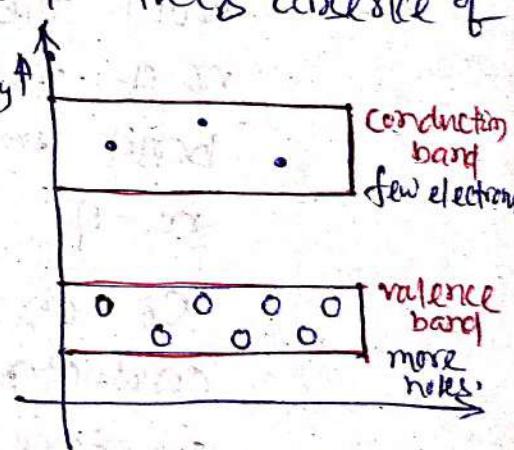
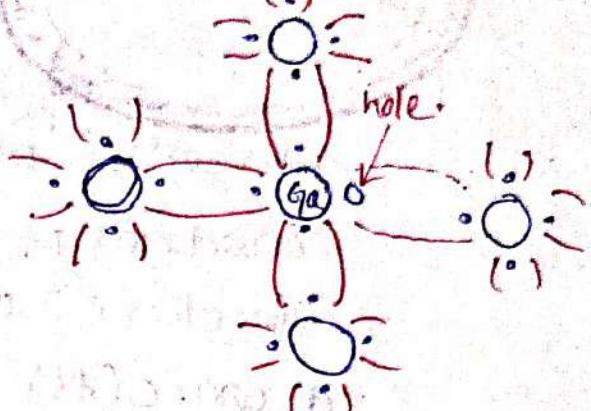
valency 3. So the 3 valence (outermost) electrons make covalent bonds with 3 neighboring Ge atoms and one more electron of Ga atom is required to make bond with the 4th surrounding Ge atom. This absence of electron is called a hole.

Considering the energy band diagram, there are a large number of holes in valence band and few electrons in conduction band. By applying an external electric field

the circuit current consists

of mostly holes (majority carriers)

and few electrons (called minority carriers).



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### 1.5. Difference between vacuum tube & semiconductor devices.

Both vacuum-tube devices and semiconductor (solid state) devices serve the same purpose.

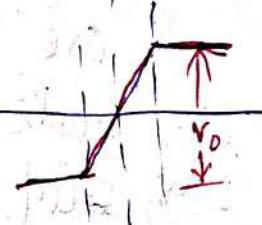
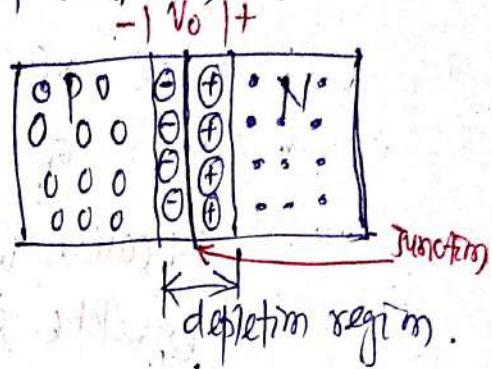
The initially invented electronic devices were vacuum tubes (or gas filled tubes) in the form of diode, triode, tetrode, pentode - etc.

Because of certain disadvantages, like glass envelope structure, large volume etc, they are being replaced by solid state devices made of off semiconductor materials like Ge or Si in solid state devices junctions formed which is not there in vacuum tubes. The solid state devices are named as p-n junction diodes, transistors, FETs, IGBTs, MOSFETs etc.

(16) a) PN junction diode:  
 When a P-type semiconductor comes in close contact of an N-type semiconductor a P-N junction is formed. Actually the junction is fabricated by special techniques like growing, alloying and diffusion methods.

At the instance of junction formation, holes from P-side and electrons from N-side diffuse to the opposite side

and combine with each other and depleted away (make a void). width of the junction increases till there is just sufficient to cross the junction, then the width of the junction remains fixed. The junction region on either side has no charge carriers and only ions (+ve ions on N side and -ve ions on P side). This region is called depletion region or space charge region.



- A potential difference exists between the two ends (across) the junction. This potential is called junction potential or barrier potential.

Barrier potential of a junction depends upon factors like semiconductor material, amount of doping and temperature.

For silicon,  $V_0 = 0.7 \text{ V}$

## PN Junction as a diode.

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A P-N junction is also called a PN junction diode or simply diode.



the terminal



- connected to p side is the anode(A) and terminal at n side is the cathode(K).

working principle: A diode works only when it is properly biased. Biasing is applying an electric field (voltage) across the terminals. Biasing is of two types a) forward biasing and b) reverse biasing.

### a) forward biasing:

when +ve plate of the battery connected to p side

and -ve plate to n side

of a P-N junction, it is said to be forward biased.

By forward biasing holes &

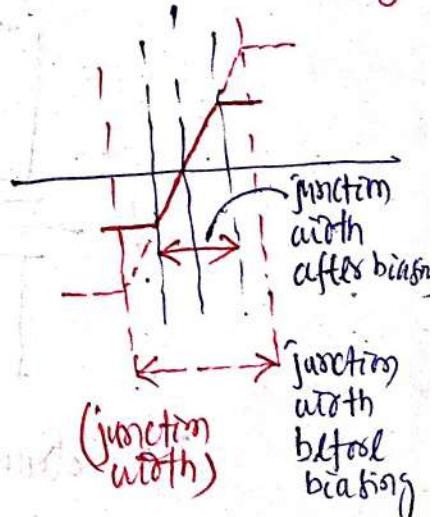
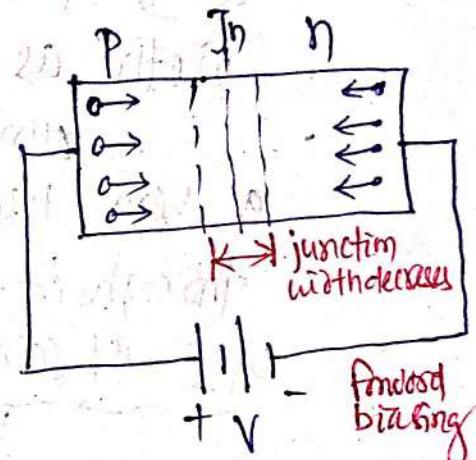
electrons from P & N sides

move towards the junction

and so junction width decreases.

and in turn the barrier potential also reduces.

The junction offers very low resistance to the flow of current through it.



⑫ b) Reverse biasing:

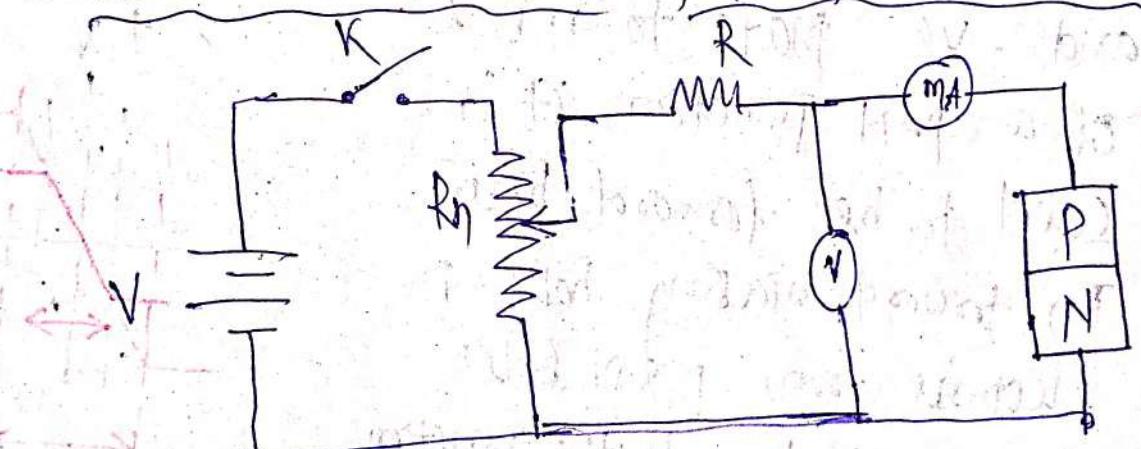
when -ve plate of the battery is connected

to p side and +ve plate to N side of a PN junction it is said to be reverse biased.

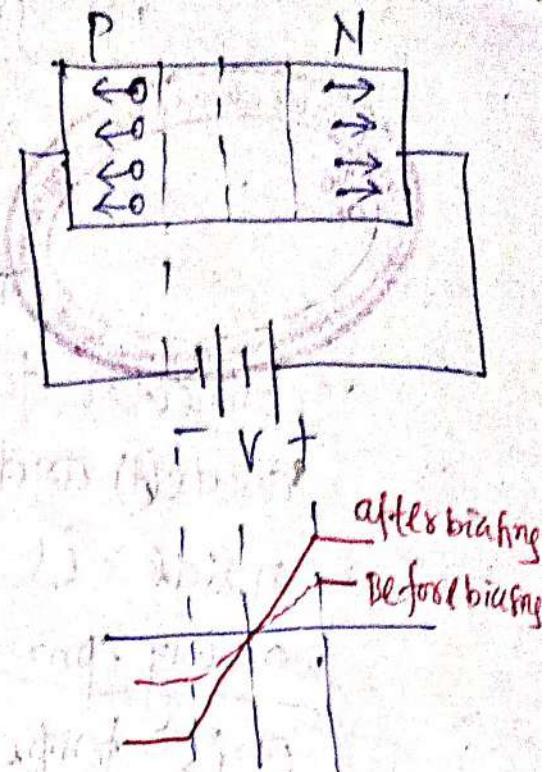
Holes from P side and electrons from N side got attracted by the reverse bias and moves away from the junction, increasing the junction width as well as barrier potential.

During reverse bias the junction offers a very high resistance ~~to~~ to the current flowing through it.

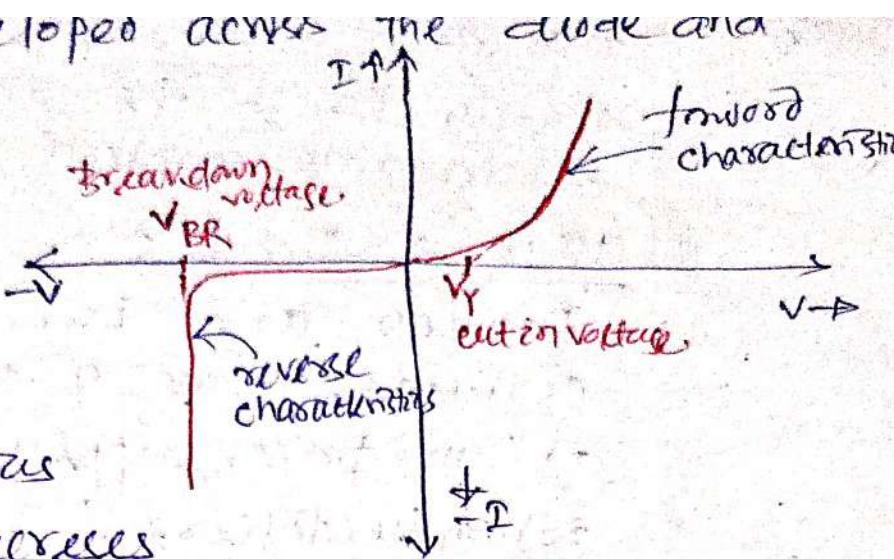
VI Characteristic of PN Junction diode:



(To draw) draw the VI characteristic of a PN junction diode. The circuit connection as shown in figure is made. The diode is biased by the external voltage V.



(a) The voltage developed across the diode and current flowing through the diode can be changed by varying the rheostat.



### a) Forward bias:

During forward bias, the junction width decreases and it offers a low resistance. So forward current can flow through the diode. For '0' voltage, current is zero and forward voltage increased in small increments up to certain voltage, there will be no current. This is due to the fact that the forward voltage has to overcome the junction potential barrier, then only current can flow. So, the amount of forward voltage at which forward current can flow through a PN diode is called cut-in or threshold voltage ( $V_r$ ). After threshold, increasing voltage, current increases.

b) reverse bias: During reverse bias, junction width increases and it offers a very high resistance to current flow. Increasing the reverse voltage, a point will be reached when the diode will breakdown (lost the property of P & N semiconductors). This voltage at which breakdown occurs is called

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breakdown voltage. After breakdown current flows nearly through the diode and voltage across it remains constant at ( $V_{BR}$ ), breakdown voltage.

### Uses of Diodes

Diodes are used in almost all electronic circuits. Some of the applications are -

i) in power supply applications.

ii) in Rectifiers.

iii) in inverters and converters.

iv) for freewheeling operation.

v) for stabilizing purposes.

### b) Zener diode:

An ordinary diode when reverse biased and the bias voltage increases at certain value the diode will breakdown. After breakdown the diode current increases sharply very heavily and voltage remains constant at breakdown value.

The sharpness of the breakdown curve depends upon the doping concentration.

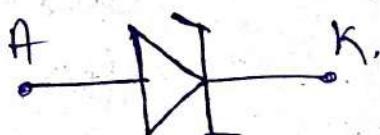
A properly doped crystal

diode which has a sharp

breakdown voltage is called

Symbol.

a Zener diode.



- A Zener diode is an ordinary P-N junction diode except the fact that it is properly doped to produce sharp breakdown voltage.
- It is always connected in reversebiased condition.

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- Zener diode has a sharp breakdown voltage called zener voltage ( $V_z$ ).

- If it is forward biased, it behaves like an ordinary diode.

### VI characteristics:

VI characteristics of

a zener diode is

similar to that of an

ordinary PN junction

diode. Only fact is

that the diode is

operated in reverse biased condition and in  
break down region.

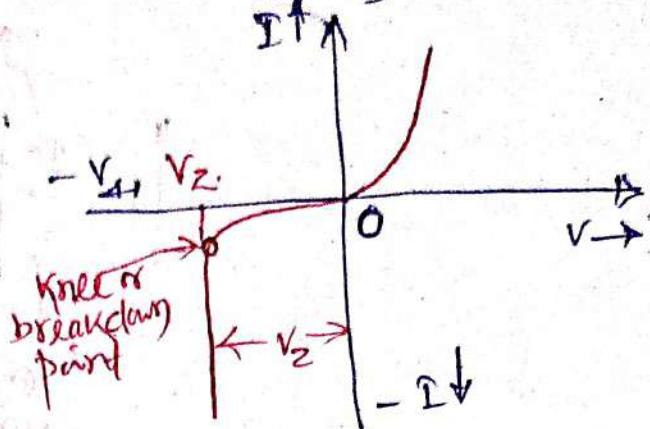
### Uses of zener diode:

1. As voltage stabilization circuits.
2. As a voltage regulator.
3. As a -ve voltage source.

### c) Light emitting diodes (LEDs)

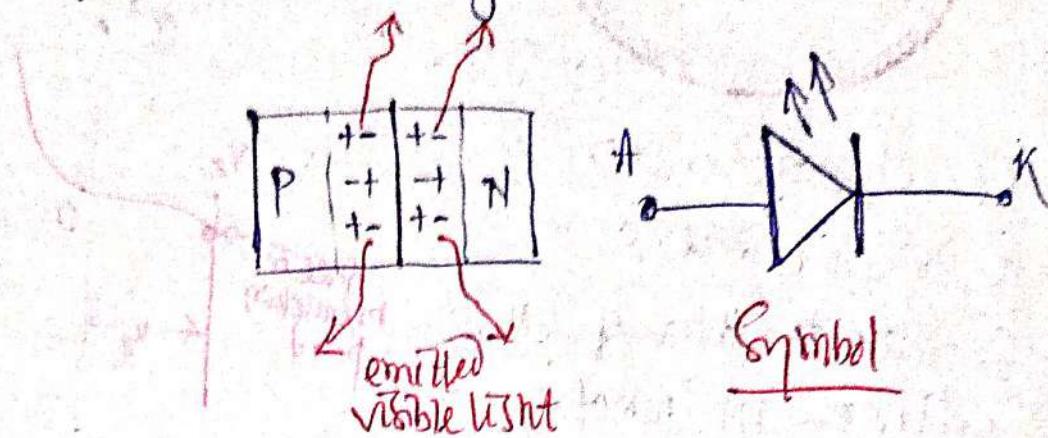
Light emitting diodes are producing visible light of different colors (wavelength) based upon the principle, that — when holes and electrons from P side and N side respectively recombine with each other they gives out some energy, in the form of heat and light.

In ordinary diodes this energy is lost in the form of heat, but in some special purpose diodes, using Gallium arsenide (GaA) Gallium phosphide (Gap) etc as the P+N

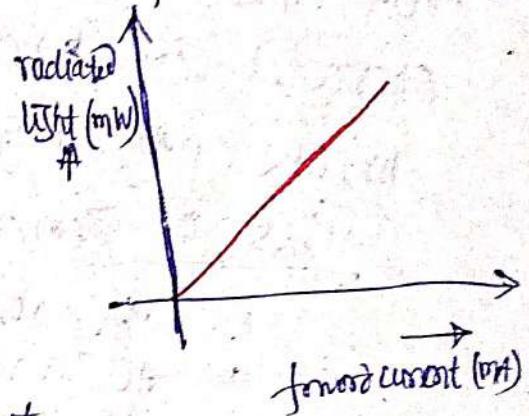


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Type materials, during junction formation, visible intense coloured light can come out due to hole-electron recombination. These diodes are called light emitting diodes (LEDs).

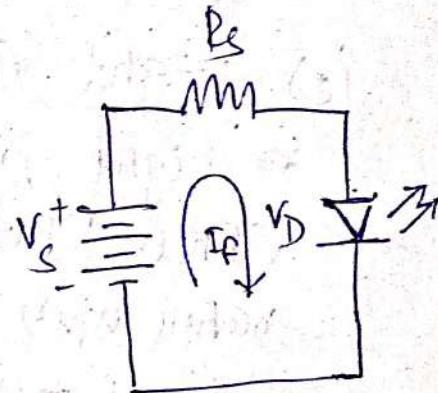


Light is emitted from the junction, only when the diode is forward biased. When forward biased, forward current flows. Increasing forward bias, forward current increases and intensity of emitted light also increases.



### LED voltage & current:

In the fig. is shown an LED connected to a voltage source  $V_s$  through a resistance  $R_s$ .



$V_D$  is the voltage across the LED,

then voltage across  $R_s$  is  $V_s - V_D$ .

then the forward current flowing in the circuit

$$I_F = \frac{V_s - V_D}{R_s}$$

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## I.T. Integrated circuits.

In a big electronic circuit (of computer, TV etc) thousands of discrete components like resistors, diodes, capacitors, transistors etc are used and interconnected. If all of them are to be separately placed and connected, they will require a large space. To overcome this difficulties a large no. of components (resistors, capacitors, diodes, transistors) are fabricated ~~in~~ inside a small chip of semiconductor material. This chip is called integrated circuit (IC) or IC chip.

An integrated circuit (IC chip) is one in which circuit components like transistors, diodes, resistors etc are fabricated in such a way that they automatically become the integral part of the same chip and their interconnections also established.

- An IC is very small in size, typical size of an IC is  $0.2\text{mm} \times 0.2\text{mm} \times 0.001\text{mm}$ .
- no component can be taken out separately as it is fabricated well inside the chip.
- no component or <sup>any</sup> part thereof can be projected out of the chip.

## Advantages of ICs

1. Increased reliability due to lesser no. of components.

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2. extremely small size as all components and interconnections are fabricated inside the chip.
3. Less weight and occupies less space.
4. Low power requirements.
5. Greater ability to operate at extreme values of temperature.
6. Low cost because of simultaneous production of hundreds of alike circuits on a small semiconductor wafer.
7. The circuit layout is greatly simplified because integrated circuits are constrained to use minimum number of external connections.

### Disadvantages:

1. If any one component goes out of order, the whole IC is to be replaced.
2. Capacitors of value exceeding 30 pF can not be fabricated in IC form.
3. Inductors and transformers can not be fabricated in IC form.
4. It is not possible to produce high power ICs (greater than 10W)
5. There is lack of flexibility i.e., parameters of the various components <sup>in the IC</sup> can not be altered.



## Ch-1. Electronic Devices

- Q.1. Define electronics? [2]
- Q.2. Mention some important applications of electronics? [5]
- Q.3. Explain electron emission? [2]
- Q.4. What are the different types of electronic emission? [5] + [5]  
Explain each type briefly?
- Q.5. Explain how valence electrons describe the electrical behaviour of a material? [2]
- Q.6. Explain how materials can be classified depending upon their electrical conductivity characteristics? [5]
- Q.7. What is energy band structure of an atom? Define valence band, conduction band and forbidden energy gap? [2+5]
- Q.8. Draw energy band diagrams of conductor, semiconductor and non conductor? [5]
- Q.9. Explain how semiconductor can be classified? What are the different types? [5]  
between
- Q.10. Differentiate, intrinsic and extrinsic semiconductor? [5]
- Q.11. Explain how P-type & N-type extrinsic semiconductors are produced from pure (intrinsic) semiconductor? [5]

Q.12. Differentiate between vacuum tube and semiconductor devices? [5]

Q.13. Explain how P-N Junction acts as a diode? [5]

Q.14. What is biasing of a P-N junction?

How a P-N junction behaves during forward bias and reverse bias? [2+5]

Q.15. Draw the circuit diagram for obtaining the V-I characteristics of a P-N photodiode and draw the VI characteristic? [5+2.5]

Q.16. Explain i) cutin voltage/knee voltage/ threshold voltage and ii) breakdown voltage of a diode from the V-I characteristics? [5]

Q.17. What are the different uses of diode? [5]

Q.18. What is a Zener diode? What are its uses? [5]

Q.19. What is an LED? [5]

Q.20. What is integrated circuit? [5]

Q.21. What are the advantages and disadvantages of an IC? [5]

Q.22. Define the terms a) surface barrier b) work function? [2]

Q.23. What general condition must be satisfied before an electron can escape from the surface of a material? [5]

## Multiple choice questions Chapter-1

Electronic Devices

1. The outermost orbit of an atom can have a maximum of \_\_\_\_\_ electrons.
- a) 2    b) 4    c) 8    d) 16.
2. When the outermost orbit of an atom has less than 4 electrons, the material is generally a \_\_\_\_\_.
- a) conductor    b) insulator.
- c) semiconductor    d) none of the above.
3. The valence electron have \_\_\_\_\_.
- a) very small energy    b) least energy
- c) maximum energy    d) none of the above
4. A large no. of free electrons exist in \_\_\_\_\_.
- a) semiconductors    b) conductors.
- c) insulators    d) none of the above.
5. When the outermost orbit of an atom have exactly 4 electrons, the material is generally \_\_\_\_\_.
- a) metal    b) non metal
- c) semiconductor    d) all the none of the above
6. When the outermost orbit of an atom have more than 4 electrons, the material is generally a \_\_\_\_\_.
- a) metal    b) non metal
- c) semiconductor    d) none of the above.

Q.7. workfunction of metals is generally measured in the unit of - - -

- a) Joules b) erg c) watt d) electron volt

Q.8. The electrons emitted by a thermionic emitter are called - - -

- a) free electrons b) loose electrons
- c) thermionic electrons d) bound electrons.

Q.9. field emission is utilized in - - -

- a) vacuum tubes b) TV picture tubes.
- c) gas-filled tubes d) mercury pool diodes

Q.10. Thermionic emitters are required to have - - - workfunction.

- a) low b) high c) medium d) very high.

Q.11. The electrons in the 3rd orbit of an atom have - - - energy than the electrons on the 2nd orbit.

- a) more b) less c) same d) none of the above

Q.12. When an electron jumps from higher orbit to a lower orbit, it - - - energy.

- a) absorbs b) emits c) sometime absorbs sometime emits d) none of the above.

Q.13. A semiconductor has - - - band.

- a) almost empty valence b) almost empty conduction,
- c) almost full conduction d) none of the above.

(2) Q.14. The electrons in the conduction band are known as -

- a) bonding electrons b) valence electrons  
c) free electrons d) none of the above



Q.15 In insulators, the energy gap between valence band and conduction band is -

- a) large b) very large c) very small d) none of the above

Q.16. In a semiconductor, the energy gap between valence and conduction band is about

- a) 15 eV b) 100 eV c) 50 eV d) 1 eV.

Q.17. The energy gap between valence band and conduction band in an insulator is about

- a) 15 eV b) 1.5 eV c) 0.15 eV d) 150 eV.

Q.18. A semiconductor is formed by — bond.

- a) covalent b) ionic c) ionic  
d) none of the above.

Q.19. A semiconductor has — temperature coefficient of resistance.

- a) positive b) negative c) zero d) none of the above

Q.20. When a pure semiconductor is heated its resistance - - - - .

- a) goes up b) goes down c) remains same  
d) none of the above.

Q.21. Adding pentavalent impurity to a pure semiconductor will produce - - -

- a) insulator b) intrinsic semiconductor
- c) P-type semiconductor d) n-type semiconductor

Q.22. Adding pentavalent impurity to a semiconductor creates many - - -

- a) free electrons b) holes
- c) valence electrons d) bound electrons

Q.23. A hole in the semiconductor is defined as - - -

- a) free from electron b) incomplete part of an electron pair bond.
- c) a free proton d) a free neutron.

Q.24. The impurity level in <sup>an extrinsic</sup> a semiconductor is about - - - of pure semiconductor.

- a) 10 atoms for  $10^8$  atoms b) 1 atom for  $10^8$  atoms
- b) 1 atom for  $10^1$  atoms d) 1 atom for  $10^6$  atoms.

Q.25. In a semiconductor, the current conduction is due to - - -

- a) only holes b) only electrons
- c) both holes & electrons d) non of the above.

Q.26.

## Ch-2 Electronic Circuits

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### 2.1. Rectifiers and its uses:

Rectifier is an electronic circuit (or device) which converts ac signal into dc signal.

The ac electrical signal available for our domestic use is of 220-240V peak to peak sinusoidal voltage signal of frequency 50 Hz it runs air fans, a/c's, motors etc.

But most of the electronic devices like phones, TVs etc needs dc voltage. So rectifiers are used to convert ac signal into dc signal.

#### Uses:

- i) Rectifiers are used in power supplies
- ii) in the power supply unit of almost all electronic devices.

### 2.2. Types of rectifiers.

Rectifiers can be of two types -

- a) Half wave rectifier (HWR)
- b) Full wave rectifier (FWR)

full wave rectifier can again be divided into two types -

- i) centre-tap full wave rectifier
- ii) Bridge full wave rectifier.

#### a) Half wave rectifier.

on the figure 1(a) is shown the basic circuit of a half wave rectifier. It consists of a single diode  $D_1$  and the load resistance  $R_L$ .

The ac input voltage is applied with the

② half of a transformer, i.e., the HWR is connected to the secondary of the transformer. fig 2(a) shows the input voltage waveform. fig 2 (b) and (c) respectively shows output voltage waveform and output current waveform. output voltage is the voltage across  $R_L$  and output current is the current flowing through  $R_L$ .

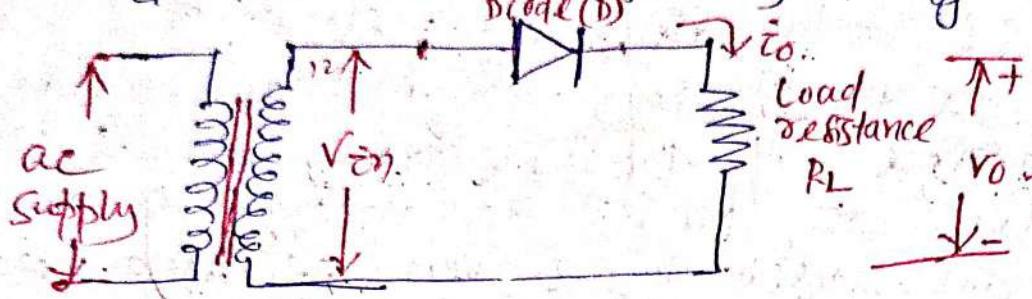


fig 1(a) Basic circuit of HWR.

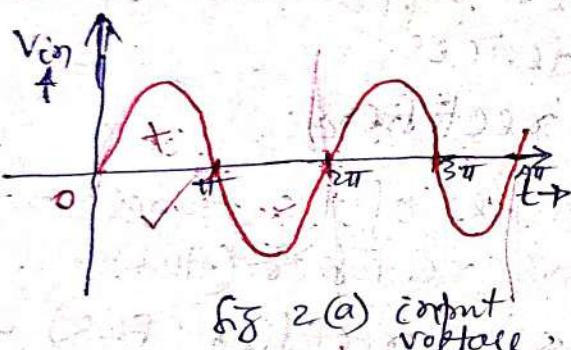


fig 2(a) input voltage.

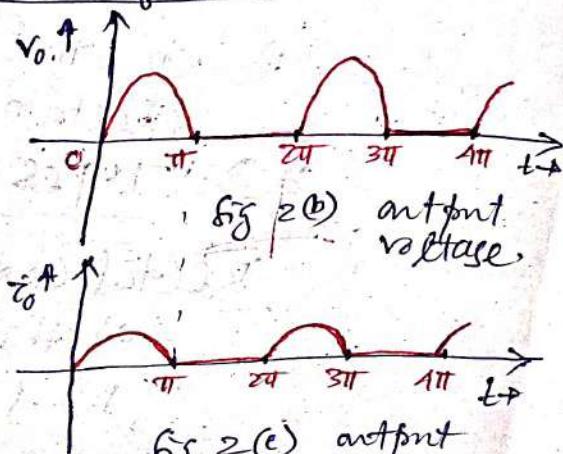


fig 2(b) output voltage.

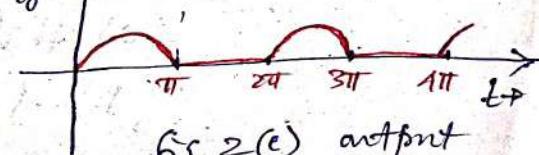


fig 2(c) output current.

### Circuit operation:

The ac input voltage is applied to the rectifier through a transformer. During the half cycle of the ac input, the diode is forward biased (The cut-in or threshold voltage is assumed to be zero volt) and conducts during the entire +ve half cycle. Assuming forward resistance ( $R_f$ ) of the diode to be negligibly small.

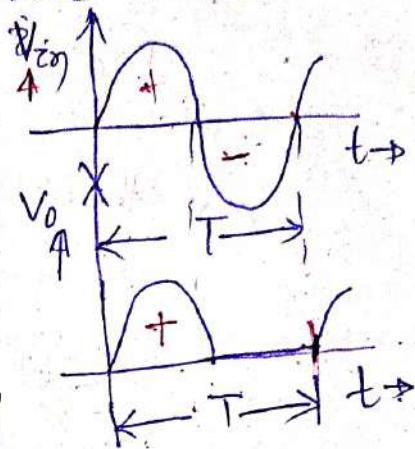
As  $V_o$  is available between 0 to  $\pi$  only  
the limits of integration are from 0 to  $\pi$

(3) small, the current in the circuit (load current)  $i_o = \frac{V_{in}}{R_L}$  and output voltage  $V_o = i_o \cdot R_L = V_{in}$  during the half cycle of the input, the output equals to the input.

During -ve half cycle of the input, the diode is reverse biased. The reverse resistance of the diode ( $R_s$ ) is very very large ( $\approx \infty$ ), so it acts as an open circuit and so load current  $i_o = 0$  and  $V_o = i_o \cdot R_L = 0$  also. The output voltage and current waveforms are as shown in fig 2(b) & 2(c).

### Output frequency of HWR

Output frequency of a HWR is same as input signal frequency (50 Hz). As shown in the figure, the duration of one complete cycle (time period) is same for both input as well as output signal. So their frequencies are also same.



### Efficiency of HWR

Efficiency of the HWR is defined as the ratio of dc power output to ac power input.

$$\text{Efficiency, } \eta = \frac{\text{Output DC Power}}{\text{Input AC Power}}$$

### dc output power (Pdc)

$$\text{dc power output} = (\text{dc output current})^2 \cdot R_L$$

or  $P_{dc} = I_{dc}^2 \cdot R_L$

$I_{dc} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^\pi i_o \cdot d\theta = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \frac{V_{in} \sin \theta}{R_f + R_L} \cdot d\theta$

$$\therefore V_o = V_m \sin \theta \text{ and } i_o = \frac{V_o}{R_f + R_L}$$

units  $\Omega \rightarrow \text{forward resistance of the diode}$

$$(A) = \frac{V_m}{2\pi(\gamma_f + R_L)} \int_0^{\pi} \sin \theta \cdot d\theta = \frac{V_m}{2\pi(\gamma_f + R_L)} [-\cos \theta]_0^{\pi} = \frac{V_m}{2\pi(\gamma_f + R_L)} \cdot \frac{1}{\pi} = \frac{I_m}{\pi}$$

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

ac input power (Pac)

$$P_{ac} = I_{rms}^2 (\gamma_f + R_L)$$

for a halfwave rectified wave  $I_{rms} = \frac{I_m}{2}$ .

$$\therefore P_{ac} = \left(\frac{I_m}{2}\right)^2 (\gamma_f + R_L)$$

$$\text{now efficiency } \eta = \frac{P_{dc}}{P_{ac}} = \frac{\left(\frac{I_m}{\pi}\right)^2 R_L}{\left(\frac{I_m}{2}\right)^2 (\gamma_f + R_L)}$$

$$\text{or } \eta = \frac{0.406 \cdot R_L}{\gamma_f + R_L} = \frac{0.406}{1 + \gamma_f/R_L}$$

as  $\gamma_f \ll R_L$ ,  $\gamma_f/R_L \ll 1$ .

$$\text{so } \boxed{\eta = 0.406 = 40.6\%}$$

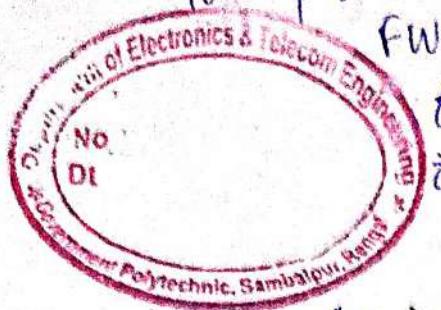
Advantages & Disadvantages of HWR.

- Advantages
- 1) The circuit is simple and contains few components.
  - 2) The circuit is less costly.

- Disadvantage
1. efficiency is less.
  2. The output power is less.
  3. The -ve half cycle of the input is not at all utilised.

### b) Full wave Rectifier

It is the rectifier, which utilises the full waveform of the ac input (both halves).



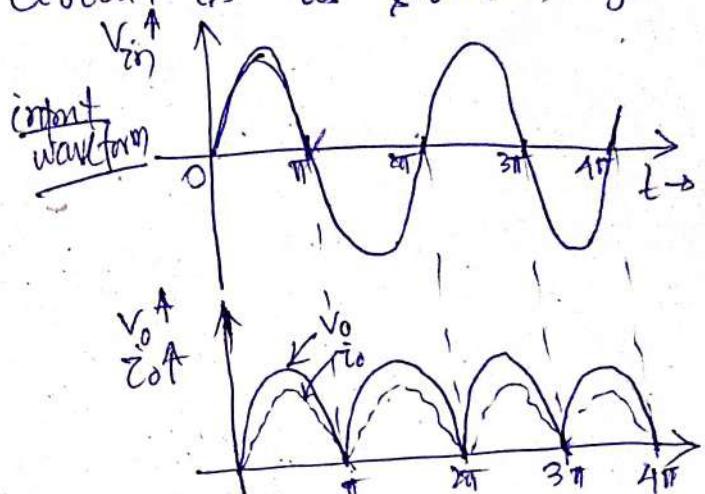
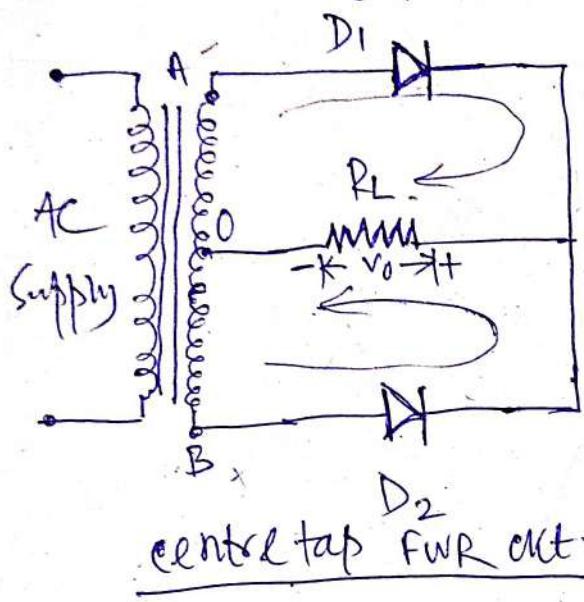
to produce the dc output  
FWR can be of two types -

(5)

- (a) centre-tap full wave rectifier
- (b) bridge full wave rectifier.

### (a) centre-tap full wave rectifier:

Two diodes are connected to the secondary winding of a transformer and the load is connected between centre point (tap) of the transformer and junction of the two diodes cathodes. The circuit is as shown in figure.



(output voltage and current waveforms.)

operation:- During +ve half cycle of the ac input, point A is at higher (+ve) potential and point B is at -ve potential. So current flows through diode  $D_1$  only (as it is forward biased) and load  $R_L$  to produce  $V_o$  as shown in the figure.

During -ve half cycle point B is at +ve potential and A is -ve, so  $D_1$  is off and  $D_2$  conducts. Current flows through  $D_2$  and load  $R_L$ . The current through  $R_L$  is in the same direction as it was before (not reversed).

(6)

Peak inverse voltage: It is the maximum reverse voltage that a diode can withstand without damage.

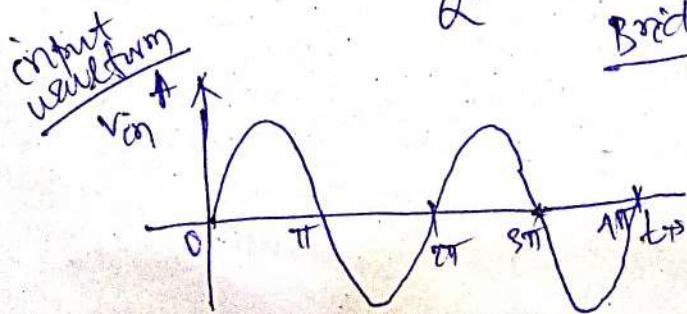
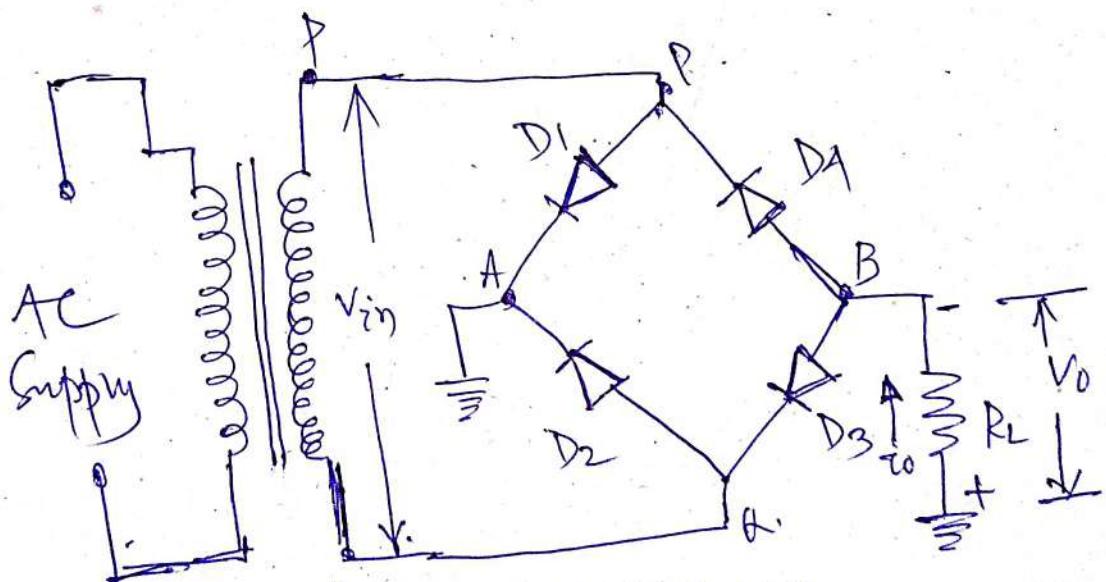
During +ve half cycle of ac input, diode  $D_2$  is not conducting (reverse biased) and a voltage of maximum value of  $2V_m$  appears across  $A$ ,  $B$  terminals. In -ve half cycle, voltage across the reverse biased diode  $D_1$  is also  $2V_m$ .

So  $\boxed{PIV = 2V_m}$  in centre tap FWR.

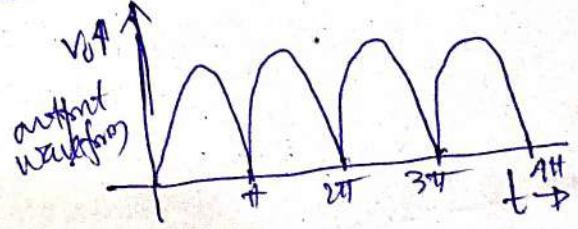
### Disadvantages of FWR (centretap)

- i) It is difficult to locate the centretap on the secondary airfoiling.
- ii) The dc output is small as each diode utilizes only one half of the secondary winding voltage.
- iii) The diodes used must have high PIV.

### Fullwave Bridge Rectifier



Bridg FWR ckt





In the fig. is shown a fullwave bridge rectifier circuit. It uses 4 diodes in the 4 arms of the bridge. The load resistance is connected between two corner points A & B and ac input voltage is applied between the far other corner points P & Q.

Operation: During +ve half cycle of the ac input voltage  $\overset{(0 \text{ to } \pi)}{\text{input}}$ , point P is at higher potential (+ve) and point Q is at lower potential (-ve). So current flows through the sequence P - D<sub>1</sub> - A - Load R<sub>L</sub> - D<sub>3</sub> - Q. Diodes D<sub>1</sub> & D<sub>3</sub> are forward biased (on) and D<sub>2</sub> & D<sub>4</sub> are reverse biased (off). So during this period (0 to  $\pi$ ), the output V<sub>o</sub> is equal to input V<sub>i</sub>.

During -ve half cycle of the input signal ( $\pi$  to  $2\pi$ ) point Q is at higher potential and P is at lower potential. So diodes D<sub>2</sub> & D<sub>4</sub> are forward biased and D<sub>1</sub> & D<sub>3</sub> are reverse biased. So current flows from Q - D<sub>2</sub> - A - Load R<sub>L</sub> - B - D<sub>4</sub> - P. So we get another +ve half cycle ~~for~~ ~~in both the cases~~ at the output for the -ve half cycle of the input V<sub>i</sub>.

In both the cases current flows in the same direction through load resistance R<sub>L</sub>, i.e., A to B so the output current is unidirectional (dc) and output voltage V<sub>o</sub> ( $= \dot{V}_o \times R_L$ ) is also dc. This is shown in the output waveform.

Peak inverse voltage: As it is the maximum reverse voltage developed across a diode when it is reverse biased -

1. During +ve half cycle of ac input (0 to  $\pi$ )

- ⑧ diodes  $D_2$  &  $D_4$  are reverse biased ( $D_1$  &  $D_3$  are on so off ex. short ckt) — the maximum voltage developed across each diode is equal to  $V_m$ .
- (ii) During -ve halfcycle of ac input (from  $\pi$  to  $2\pi$ ,  $D_1$  &  $D_3$  are reverse biased ( $D_2$  &  $D_4$  are short), so maximum reverse voltage across  $D_1$  &  $D_3$  is  $V_m$ . So on a FWR, PIV of the diodes,  $\boxed{PIV = V_m}$

Advantages

- 1) No need of a centre-tapped transistor
- 2) Output is twice of that of a centretapped rectifier.
- 3) PIV is half of that of the centretapped rectifier.

Disadvantages

- i) of required four diodes.
- ii) As two diodes conduct during one halfcycle of the input signal, their internal resistances (though very small) comes in series which produces a measurable resistance, which is not desired, as it will affect the efficiency.

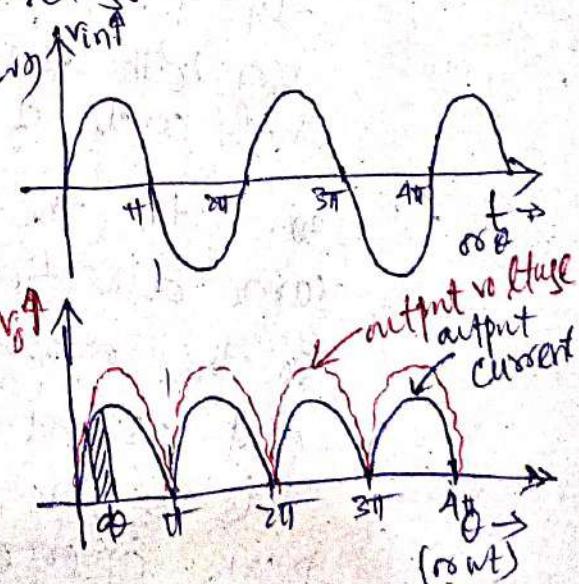
### Efficiency of FWR

Consider the FWR circuit, its input voltage and output voltage and current waveforms are as shown

Let  $r_f$  and  $R_L$  be the forward resistance of diode  $r_o, r_f$  and load resistance respectively.

instantaneous current in the ckt,  $i = \frac{v}{r_f + R_L} = \frac{V_m \sin \theta}{r_f + R_L}$

$$= I_m \sin \theta \quad \text{where } I_m = \frac{V_m}{r_f + R_L}$$



(9) dc output power

We know for a fullwave rectified wave  $I_{dc} = \frac{2Im}{\pi}$

$$\therefore \text{dc output power} = P_{dc} = I_{dc}^2 \cdot R_L = \left(\frac{2Im}{\pi}\right)^2 \cdot R_L$$

ac input power:

$$\text{ac input power is } P_{ac} = I_{rms}^2 (\gamma_f + R_L)$$

$$\text{for a fullwave rectified wave } I_{rms} = \frac{Im}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\therefore P_{ac} = \left(\frac{Im}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^2 \cdot (\gamma_f + R_L)$$

fullwave rectification efficiency -

$$\eta = \frac{P_{dc}}{P_{ac}} = \frac{(2Im/\pi)^2 \cdot R_L}{(Im/\sqrt{2})^2 (\gamma_f + R_L)}$$

$$= \frac{8}{\pi^2} \cdot \frac{R_L}{\gamma_f + R_L} = 0.812 \frac{R_L}{\gamma_f + R_L} = \frac{0.812}{1 + \frac{\gamma_f}{R_L}}$$

The efficiency will be maximum, if  $\gamma_f \ll R_L$   
then  $\gamma_f/R_L$  is very very less in comparison to 1

$$\text{and } \boxed{\eta = 0.812 = 81.2\%}$$

nature of rectifier output & ripple factor

The output of a rectifier is not pure dc  
but actually pulsating dc in nature.  
So it contains dc component along with  
ac component. This ac component is  
also called as ripple.

The ratio of rms value of ac component  
to the dc component in the rectifier

(v) output is known as ripple factor.  
 ripple factor =  $\frac{\text{rms value of ac component } I_{ac}}{\text{value of dc component } I_{dc}}$

### Mathematical analysis:

As the output current of a rectifier contains ac component as well as dc component, its rms value is.  $I_{rms} = \sqrt{I_{dc}^2 + I_{ac}^2}$

$$\text{or}, I_{rms}^2 = I_{dc}^2 + I_{ac}^2$$

$$\text{or}, I_{ac}^2 = I_{rms}^2 - I_{dc}^2.$$

$$\text{or } I_{ac} = \sqrt{I_{rms}^2 - I_{dc}^2}$$

dividing both sides by  $I_{dc}$  —

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

$$\therefore \text{ripple factor} = \frac{I_{ac}}{I_{dc}} = \frac{1}{I_{dc}} \sqrt{I_{rms}^2 - I_{dc}^2} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{I_{rms}}{I_{dc}}\right)^2 - 1}$$

i) for half wave rectifier:-

$$I_{rms} = \frac{Im}{2}, I_{dc} = \frac{Im}{\pi}$$

$$\therefore \text{ripple factor} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{Im/2}{Im/\pi}\right)^2 - 1} = 0.21$$

ii) for full wave rectifier:-

$$I_{rms} = \frac{Im}{\sqrt{2}}, I_{dc} = \frac{2Im}{\pi}$$

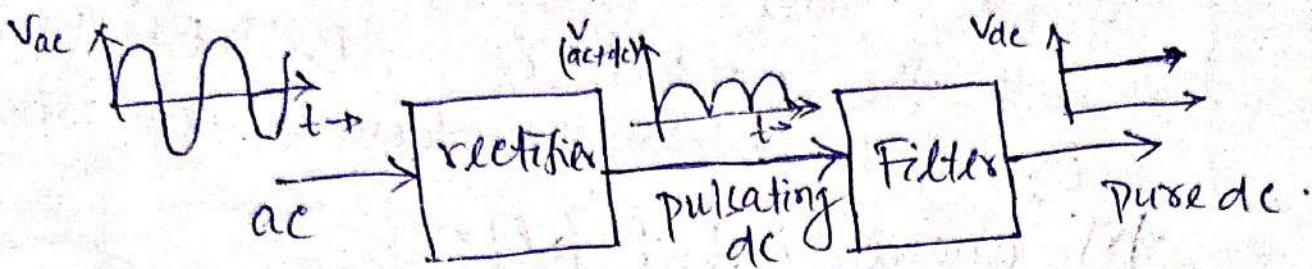
$$\therefore \text{ripple factor} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{Im/\sqrt{2}}{2Im/\pi}\right)^2 - 1} = 0.48$$

It is seen that pulsating component is very less in full output than that in HWR output.



Filter: classification and function. (1)

Filter is an electronic circuit which filters out the pulsating ac components present in the rectifier output and produces pure dc output.

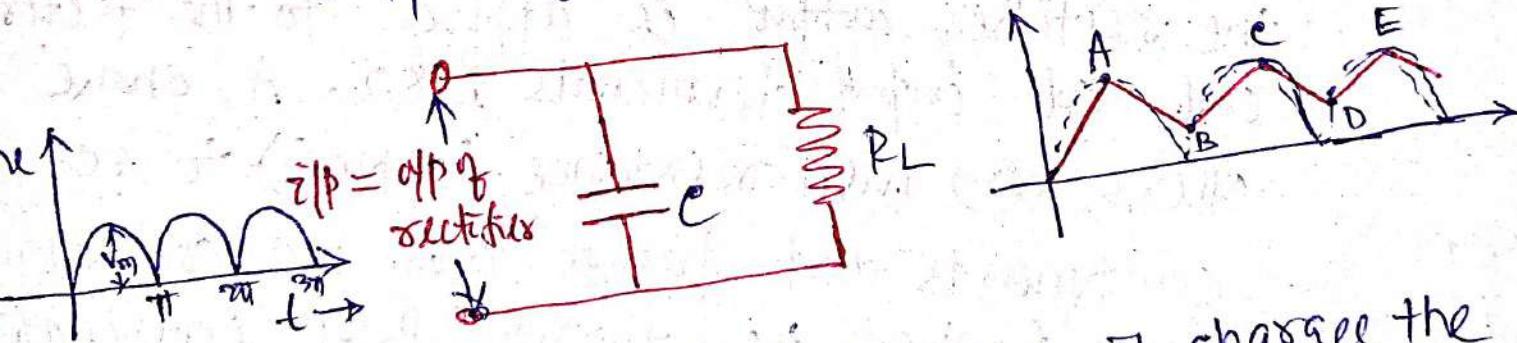


Basically there are 3 types of filters -

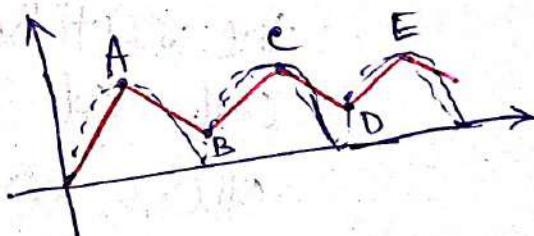
- capacitor filter
- choke input filter
- capacitor input or  $\pi$  (pie) filter.

### a) Capacitor filter

In the below figure is shown a capacitor filter which contains a single capacitor connected in parallel and input is the pulsating dc output of a full rectifier.

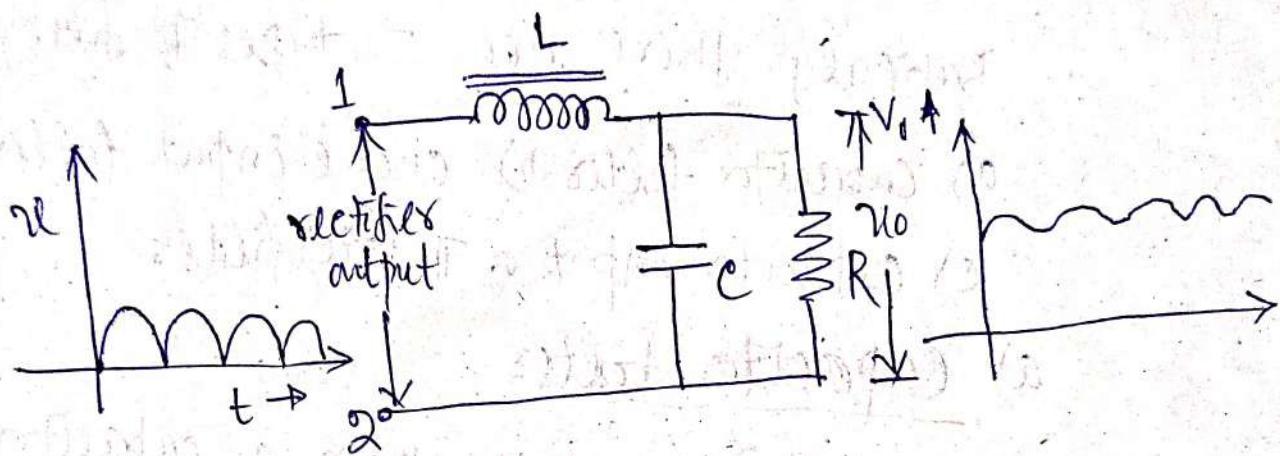


When rectifier output increases it charges the capacitor and at peak value of input the capacitor is fully charged to  $V_m$  (point A in the graph).



(12) output). Then when input decreases from  $V_m$  to 0, the capacitor discharges through  $R$  to a value as represented by point B. Again, in the next input cycle charging (B to C) and discharging (C to D) of capacitor takes place. This process continues and the output is ABCDEF, which is a waveform containing less ripples.

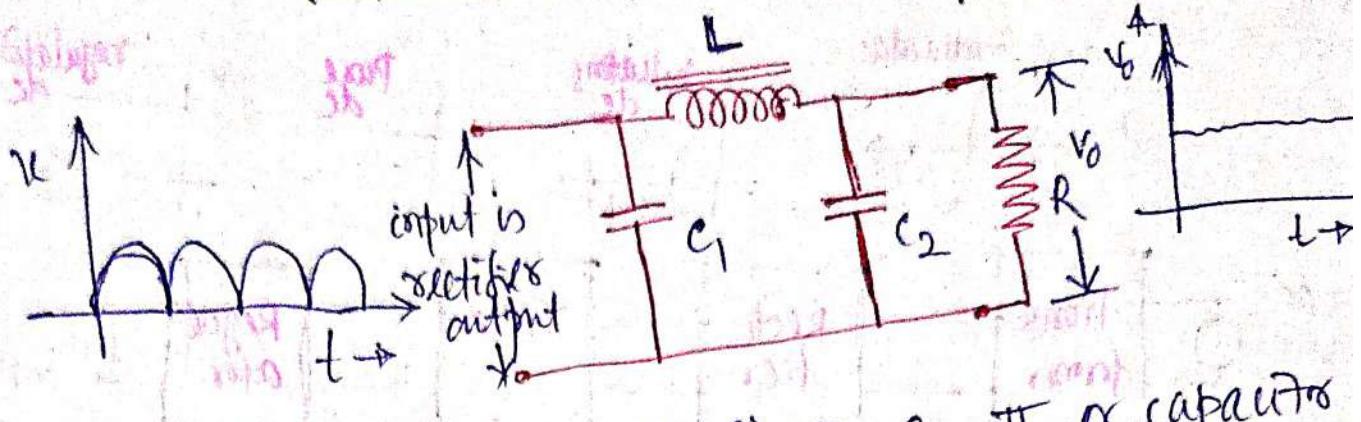
### b) choke input filter



on the fig. it shows a choke (inductor) input filter which contains an inductor in series with a capacitor filter  $C$  and a resistance  $R$ . The pulsating output of the rectifier output is applied to the filter circ. at input terminals 1 & 2. A choke offers very high resistance (opposes) to ac components and passes only dc components to further pass through R & C combination. so the final output is a dc contains very less pulsating components.

(13)

### c) capacitor input (or II) filter:



on the fig. is shown a  $\pi$  or capacitor input filter which contains two ~~parallel~~ capacitors in parallel path and an inductor (choke) in series path. The operating can be explained as -

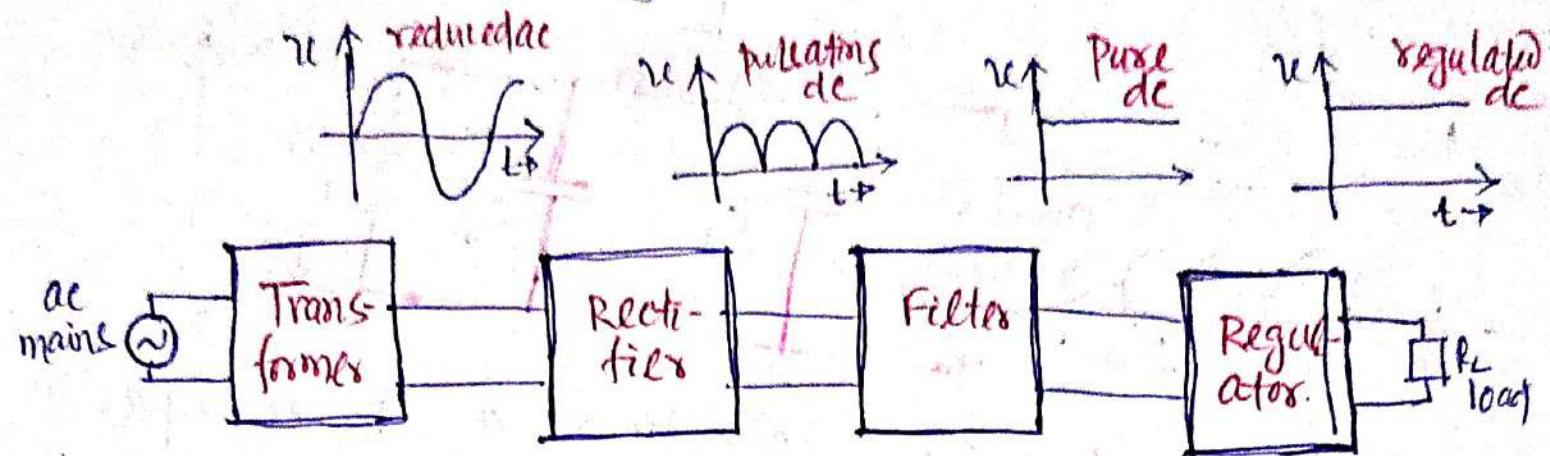
a) capacitor  $C_1$ : it offers low reactance to ac and high reactance to dc; as it is in the parallel path, dc component goes forward to the next component that is inductor and ~~so~~ passes the ac component.

b) inductor L: it is in series path and offers high reactance to ac component and ~~so~~ opposes it and passes the dc component unopposed through it. ~~so~~ ac components are further filtered out.

c) capacitor  $C_2$ : it is in parallel path and offers high reactance to dc components (passes it) and low reactance to ac component (opposes). So the remaining amount of ac component is filtered out and almost pure dc goes to the load to produce output.

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## 2.4: Working of DC Power Supply (Block diagram)



on the figure is shown the basic block diagram of a regulated dc power supply. If the regulator is there then it is called unregulated power supply.

The regulated dc power supply consists of following blocks —

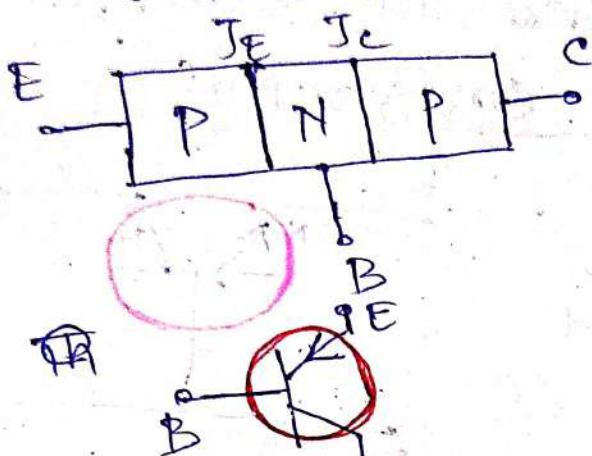
- Transformer:** Usually a stepdown transformer is used which reduces the amplitude of the AC mains supply and provides it to the rectifier.
- Rectifier:** The rectifier converts AC input to pulsating DC at its output.
- Filter:** Filter circuit filters out the pulsating (AC) components and provides pure DC at its output.
- Regulator:** Regulator is used in only regulated power supply, to regulate the output (load) voltage and current.

## 2.5 (@) Transistors and its types.

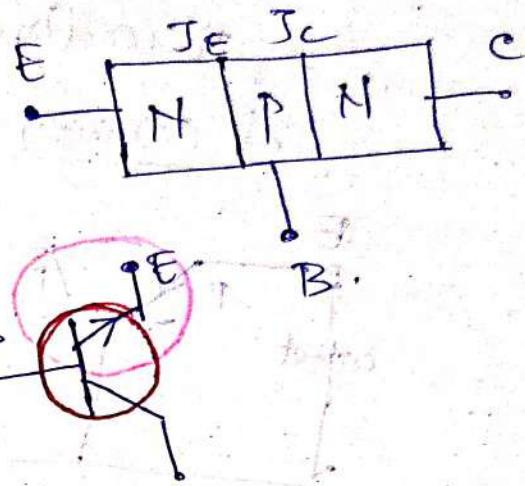
(15)



Transistor is a 3 terminal, 2-junction, alternate P-N, semiconductor device. A p or n type semiconductor is sandwiched between two a pair of opposite type. Accordingly there are two types of transistors. PNP and NPN as shown below.



Symbol of PNP transistor.



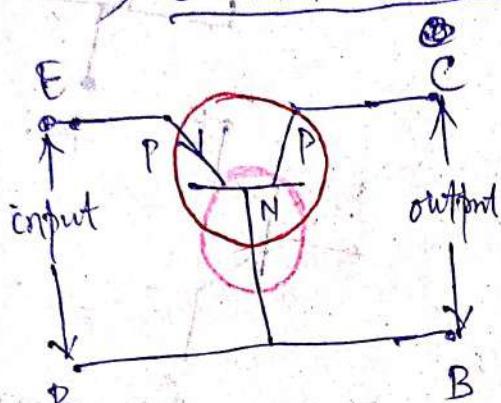
Symbol of npn transistor.

- The terminals connected to the extreme ends are one is emitter (E) & other is collector (C).
- The middle one is base (B).
- The emitter is wider than base and heavily doped, the base is the thinnest slice and lightly doped and collector is moderately doped and the thickest (most wide).
- The junction between emitter & base is called emitter-base junction or emitter-junction or emitter diode.
- The junction between collector & base is called collector-base junction, or collector junction or collector diode.

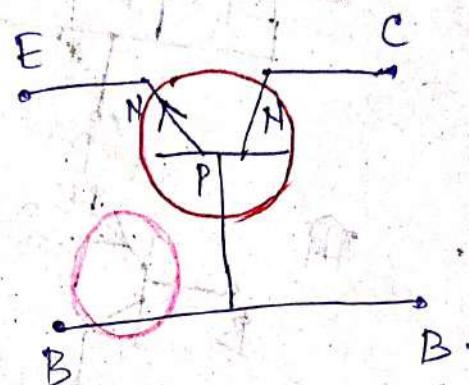
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(b) Transistor configurations

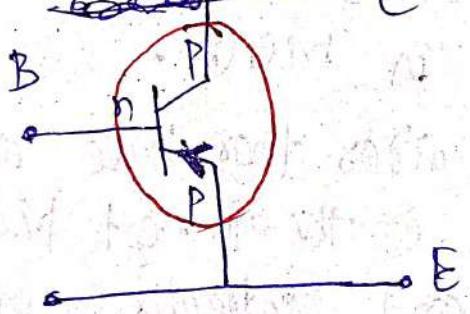
Transistor is a 3 terminal device but in its operation it is connected as a two port or four terminal device, by converting any one terminal into two, or in other words it can be said as one terminal (B, E or C) is made common to both input and output. Accordingly there are 3 configurations -

i) Common base configuration:

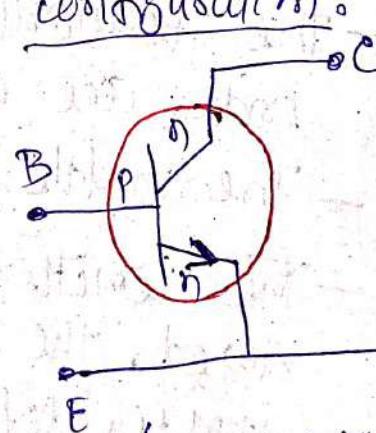
(common base PNP config.)



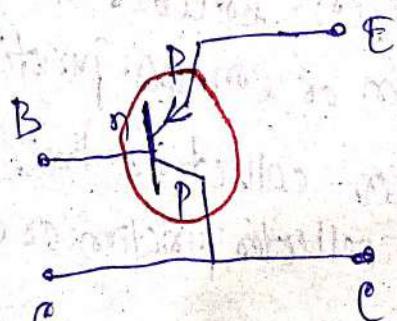
(common base NPN config.)

ii) common emitter configuration:

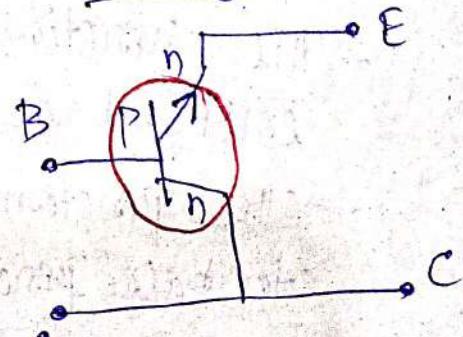
E (common emitter PNP config.)



E (common emitter NPN config.)

iii) common collector configuration:

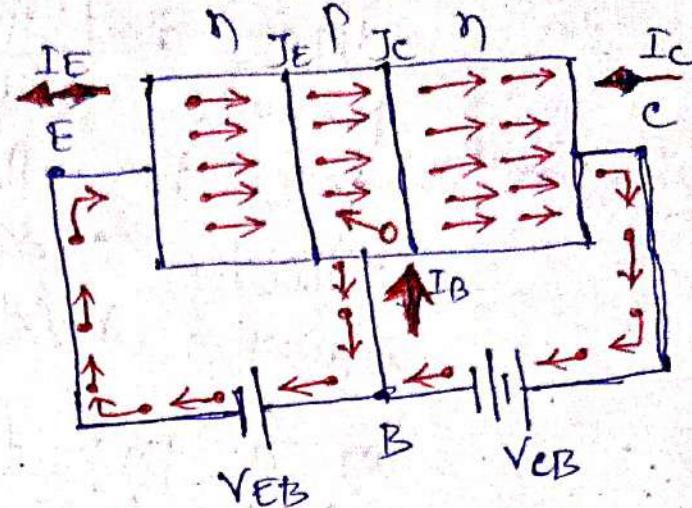
common-collector PNP config.



common collector NPN config.

## (17) (c) Operation of a Transistor (nPN type)

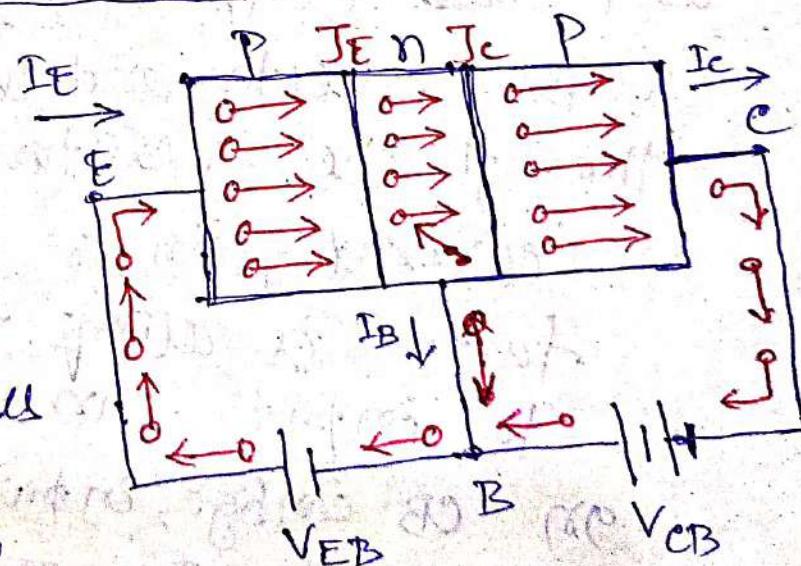
on the fig. is shown an nPN transistor in common base configuration. Emitter junction is forward biased by  $V_{EB}$  and collector junction is reverse biased by  $V_{CB}$ .



Forward bias pushes electrons towards the junction, thus constitute the emitter current  $I_E$ . As the base region (P type) is thin and lightly doped, only few electrons (about 5%) coming from emitter side combines with the holes in base region and constitute the base current  $I_B$ . The remaining electrons passes to collector region (N type) and produces collector current ( $I_C$ ). So the total emitter current  $I_E = I_B + I_C$

## operation of PNP transistor

Emitter junction is forward biased and collector junction is reverse biased.



The forward bias, pushes the holes in emitter region (P type) to words base which produces emitter current  $I_E$ . Few holes (about 5%)

combine with the electrons present in lightly doped and this (N type) base region and produces base current ( $I_B$ ). Remaining holes passes to collector region and constitute collector current ( $I_C$ ). Here also the same equation holds good  $I_E = I_B + I_C$ .

In a pnp transistor, the current is mostly due to flow of holes.

### Expression of current gain

#### e) common base configuration

In the fig. is shown

an npn transistor

in CB configuration.

The signal to be amplified

is applied between emitter

and base terminal.

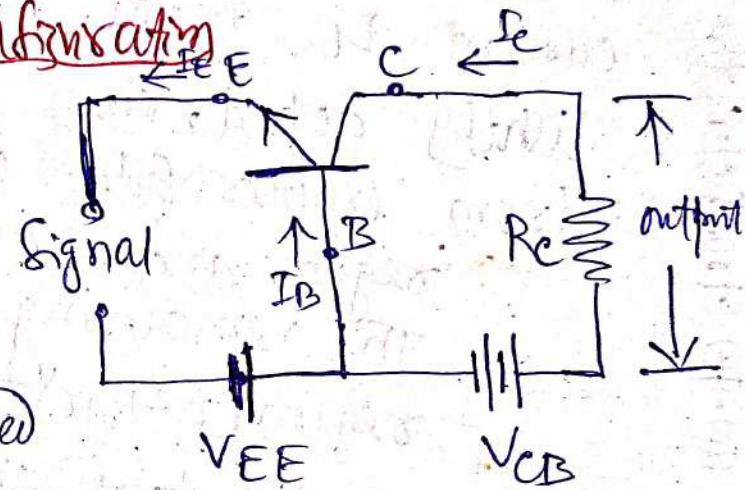
and base (input port) and output is taken

across collector and base terminals (output port) through the resistance  $R_C$ .

current gain or current amplification

factor is always the ratio of output current to input current (in case of dc operation)

In CB config., input current is  $I_E$  and output current is  $I_C$ . The signal to be amplified is an ac signal. In this case the current gain or current amplification factor



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(d) is defined as the ratio of change in collector current to change in base emitter current at constant collector to base voltage ( $V_{CB}$ ).

$$\alpha = \frac{\Delta I_C}{\Delta I_E} \quad | \text{at const } V_{CB}$$

It can be assumed that total collector current  $I_C$  consists of two parts - i) amplified emitter current ( $= \alpha I_E$ ) and leakage current which can be represented as  $I_{CBO}$  (that is the collector to base current when emitter is open).

$$\therefore I_C = \alpha I_E + I_{CBO} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$\text{we know } I_E = I_C + I_B$$

$$\text{putting in (1)} \quad I_C = \alpha(I_C + I_B) + I_{CBO} \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

$$\alpha, I_C - \alpha I_C = \alpha I_B + I_{CBO}$$

$$\alpha, I_C(1-\alpha) = \alpha I_B + I_{CBO}$$

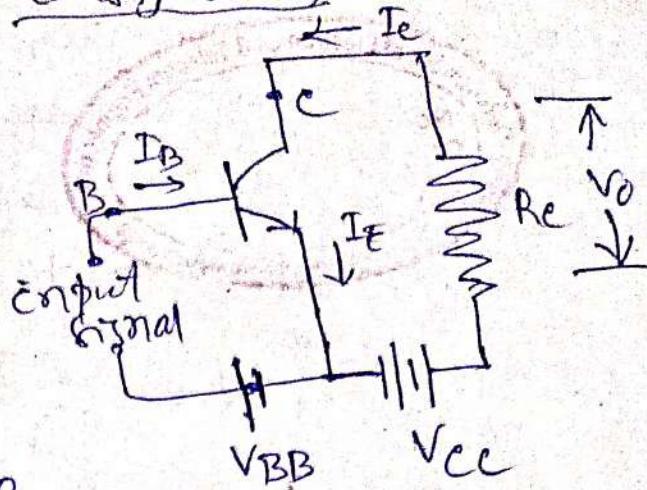
$$\alpha, I_C = \frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha} I_B + \frac{I_{CBO}}{1-\alpha}$$

$$\text{from eqn (2), } I_C - I_{CBO} = \alpha(I_C + I_B)$$

$$\alpha, \alpha = \frac{I_C - I_{CBO}}{I_C + I_B}$$

(20) ii) common emitter configuration:

current amplification factor or current gain of CE configuration (B) is defined as the ratio of change in collector current to change in base current at constant  $V_{ee}$ .



$$B = \frac{\Delta I_c}{\Delta I_B} \text{ | at constant } V_{ee}$$

relationship between  $\alpha$  &  $B$ :

$$\alpha = \frac{\Delta I_c}{\Delta I_E} \quad \text{and} \quad B = \frac{\Delta I_c}{\Delta I_B}$$

for a transistor  $I_E = I_B + I_c$

$$\text{or, } \Delta I_E = \Delta I_B + \Delta I_c.$$

$$\text{or, } \Delta I_B = \Delta I_E - \Delta I_c$$

putting in the eqn for  $B$ ,  $B = \frac{\Delta I_c}{\Delta I_E - \Delta I_c}$

dividing N & D by  $\Delta I_E$ ,  $B = \frac{\Delta I_c / \Delta I_E}{1 - \frac{\Delta I_c}{\Delta I_E}} = \frac{\alpha}{1 - \alpha}$

$$\therefore B = \frac{\alpha}{1 - \alpha}$$

Similarly  $B(1 - \alpha) = \alpha$   $\text{or, } B = \alpha + \alpha B = \alpha(1 + B)$

$$\text{or } \alpha = \frac{B}{1 + B}$$

(2) Common collector configuration

current amplification

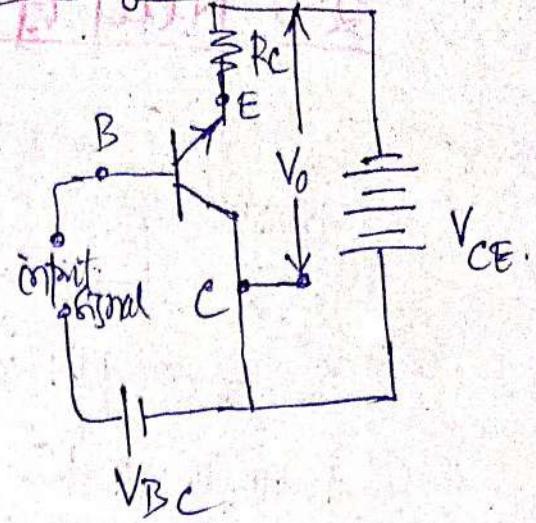
factors or current  
gain of a transistor

in common collector

configuration ( $\gamma$ ) is

given as the ratio of

change in emitter current to that in base  
current.



relationship with d.

$$\text{now } d = \frac{\Delta I_c}{\Delta I_E}, \quad \gamma = \frac{\Delta I_E}{\Delta I_B} \mid \text{const } V_{CE}$$

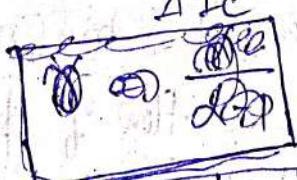
$$\text{we know, } I_E = I_B + I_c \propto, \Delta I_E = \Delta I_B + \Delta I_c$$

$$\text{or, } \Delta I_B = \Delta I_E - \Delta I_c$$

$$\text{now } \gamma = \frac{\Delta I_E}{\Delta I_B} = \frac{\Delta I_E}{\Delta I_E - \Delta I_c}$$

dividing N & D by  $\Delta I_c$ .

$$\gamma = \frac{\frac{\Delta I_E}{\Delta I_c}}{\frac{\Delta I_E}{\Delta I_c} - 1} = \frac{1/d}{1/d - 1} = \frac{1}{1-d}$$



$$V_{BC} = \frac{I_c}{R_B}$$

$$\text{So we have } d = \frac{B}{B+1} = \frac{\gamma-1}{\gamma}$$

more about  
so, so  
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and (1-d)  $\Rightarrow \gamma$   
or,  $\gamma = \frac{B}{B+1}$

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## 2.6 Need of Biasing and different types of biasing

Transistors are used for two purposes -

- for switching (as an ON-OFF switch)

- for amplification (enhancing strength of weak signal)

Faithful amplification is the process of raising the strength of a weak signal without any change in its general shape.

For faithful amplification, the transistors must fulfill the 3 basic conditions -

- flow of proper zero signal collector current

- maintaining minimum proper base-emitter voltage ( $V_{BE}$ ) at any instant  $V_{BE} \geq 0.3V_{fss}$

- maintaining minimum proper collector-emitter voltage ( $V_{CE}$ ) at any instant  $V_{CE} \geq 0.5V_{fss}$  or  $1V_{fss}$

Above 3 conditions are fulfilled when the transistor is operated in the active region of operation (of its output characteristics) i.e., base-emitter junction is forward biased and collector junction is reverse biased.

Transistor biasing: Transistor biasing is the method by which we can ensure flow of proper zero signal collector current and maintain proper base-emitter voltage and collector-emitter voltage at any instant.

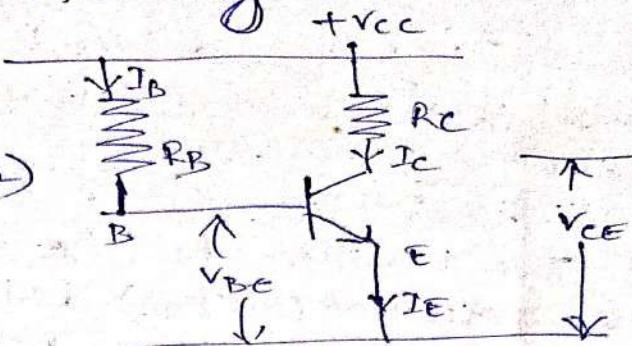
Types of Biasing 1) Base resistor method 2) emitter bias method 3) Biasing with collector feedback resistor 4) Voltage divider bias

### i) Base resistor method of biasing

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in this method of

biasing a very high resistance (several hundred k $\Omega$ ) is connected between the base and the terminal of supply for npn transistors (base & -ve terminal of supply for pnp transistors).

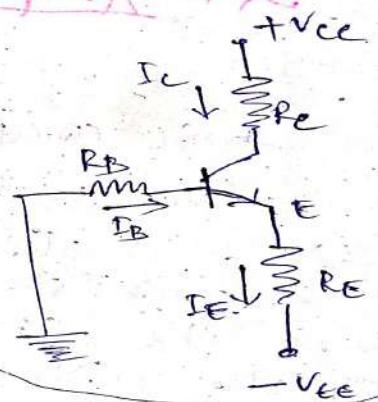


The required zero signal base current  $I_B$  flows through  $R_B$  by the supply  $V_{CC}$ . The value of  $I_B$  (and hence  $I_c = \beta I_B$ ) can be varied by varying the values of  $R_B$ .

### ii) Emitter bias method

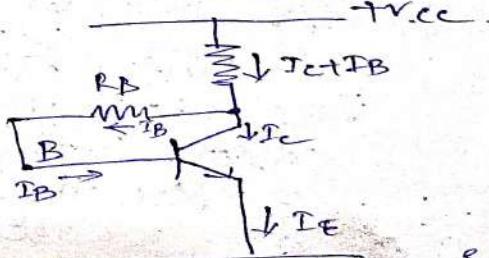
In emitter bias method two voltage supplies are used (usually both are equal & opposite) along with an emitter resistor  $R_E$ .

This bias provides better performance of amplification.



### iii) collector feedback bias

In this method the base resistor  $R_B$  is connected to collector to provide a feedback circuit. Here the zero signal base current  $I_B$  (and hence  $I_e = \beta \cdot I_B$ ) is not

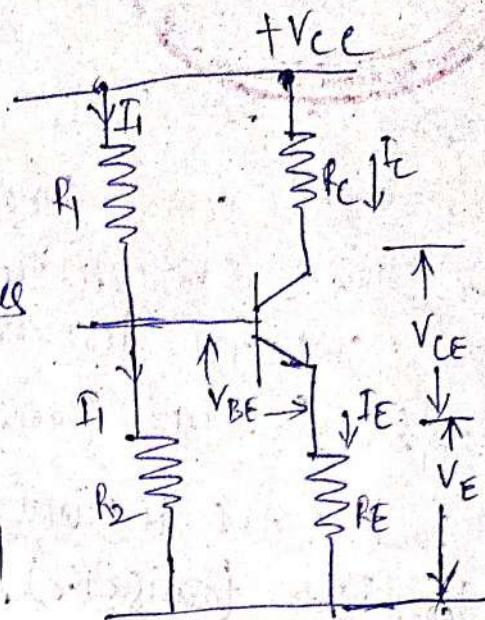


(2A) controlled by  $V_{CE}$  but controlled by  $V_{CB}$ .

### ii) voltage divider bias:

This is the most widely used method of biasing which provides proper stabilization.

Two resistors  $R_1$  &  $R_2$  provide the potential (voltage) divider network. The voltage drop across  $R_2$  ( $= V_{CC} \cdot \frac{R_2}{R_1+R_2}$ ) forward biases the base emitter junction and zero signal base current ( $\text{so } I_c = \beta I_B$ ) flows in the transistor.



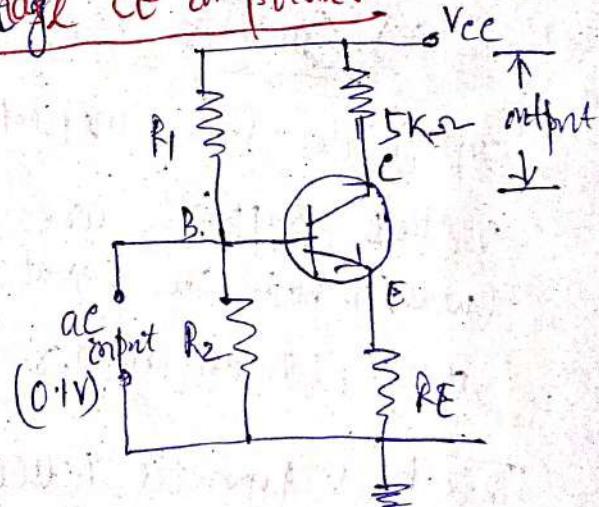
Junction and zero signal base current ( $\text{so } I_c = \beta I_B$ ) flows in the transistor.

## 2.7. Amplifiers (concept), working principle of single stage CE amplifier:

### Basic concept:

To analyze the basic concept of amplification by a transistor, let

consider the CE, n-p-n transistor with potential divider bias as shown in fig.



The signal to be amplified is applied at the base terminal, and the output is taken from the collector (cutoff) terminal.

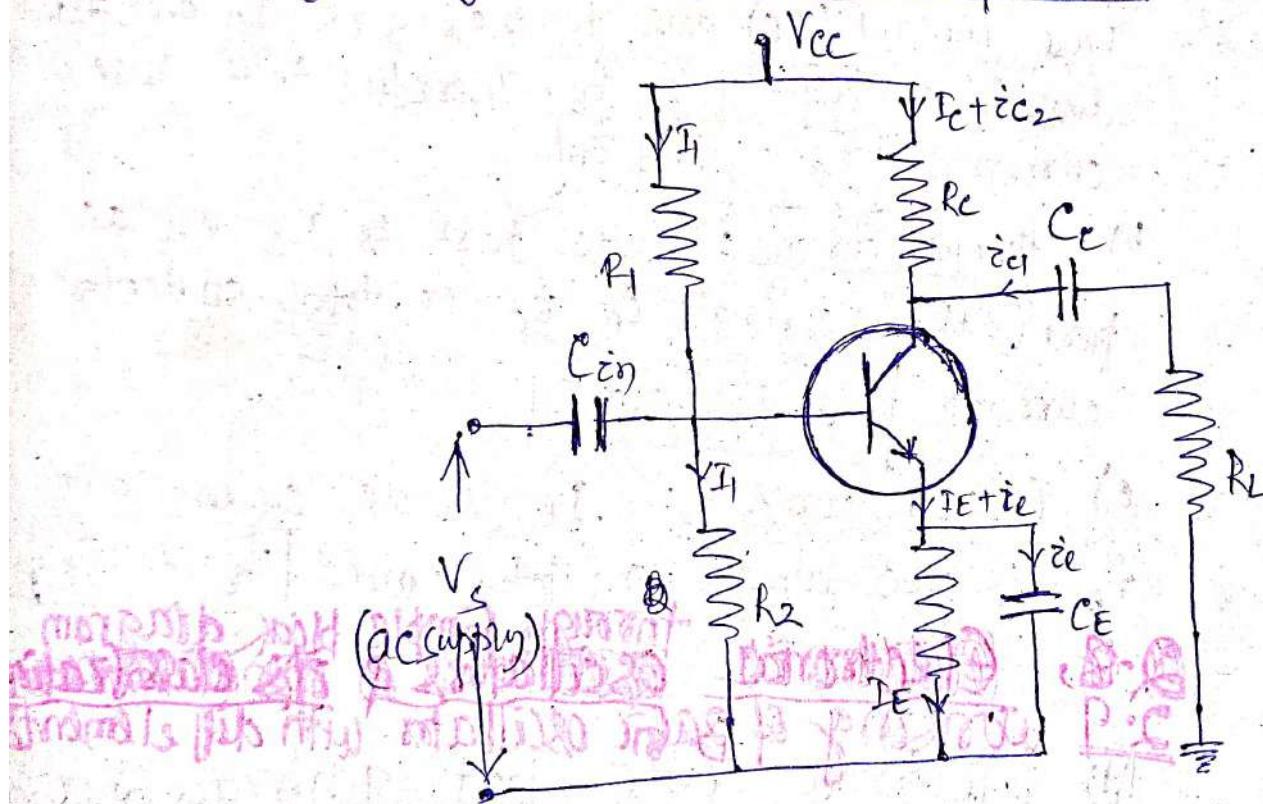
Let the input signal is weak and can produce only a voltage change of about 0.1V. Let this small voltage change produces a small base current

(25) which is then amplified by the transistor ( $B$  times) and produces a larger collector current ( $I_c = B I_B$ ). This current passing through the high collector resistance (nearly  $1$  to  $10 \text{ k}\Omega$ ) produces a large output voltage.

Ex. if the  $0.1 \text{ V}$  change in base circuit produces a current change of  $2 \text{ mA}$  in collector circuit ( $I_c$ ) and let  $R_C = 5 \text{ k}\Omega$ , then output voltage  $V_o = 2 \text{ mA} \times 5 \text{ k}\Omega$ .  
Input voltage was  $= 0.1 \text{ V}$ .

$\therefore$  voltage amplification factor or voltage gain  $= \frac{10}{0.1} = 100$

### Single Stage Common Emitter Amplifier:



In the fig. is shown a single stage CE transistor amplifier. Different components and circuitry can be described as follows.

i) Biasing circuit: The resistances  $R_1, R_2$  &  $R_C$  form the biasing and stabilizing circuit. By proper biasing the operating point is made proper and stable.

ii) input capacitor  $C_{in}$ : Input capacitor  $C_{in}$

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couple the input ac signal to the base of transistor. It only allows ac signal to flow into the transistor & blocks any dc signal.

(ii) emitter bypass capacitor  $C_E$ : Emitter bypass capacitor  $C_E$  allows the amplified ac signal to bypass the emitter resistance  $R_E$ .

(iii) output coupling capacitor  $C_C$ : It couples the amplified output to next stage or to the load. Various current components of the circuit can be designated as follows -

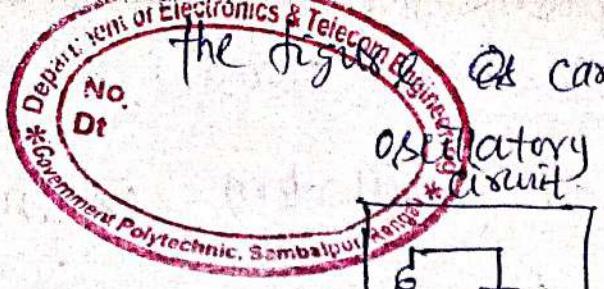
a) base current: during amplifying ac signal, the base current (dc) due to biasing is  $I_B$  and ~~ac~~ due to ac signal is  $\dot{i}_B$ . Therefore total base current  $I_B = I_B + \dot{i}_B$ .

b) collector current: dc part is  $I_C$  and ac part (appling signal) is  $\dot{i}_C$ , so total collector current  $I_C = I_C + \dot{i}_C$ .

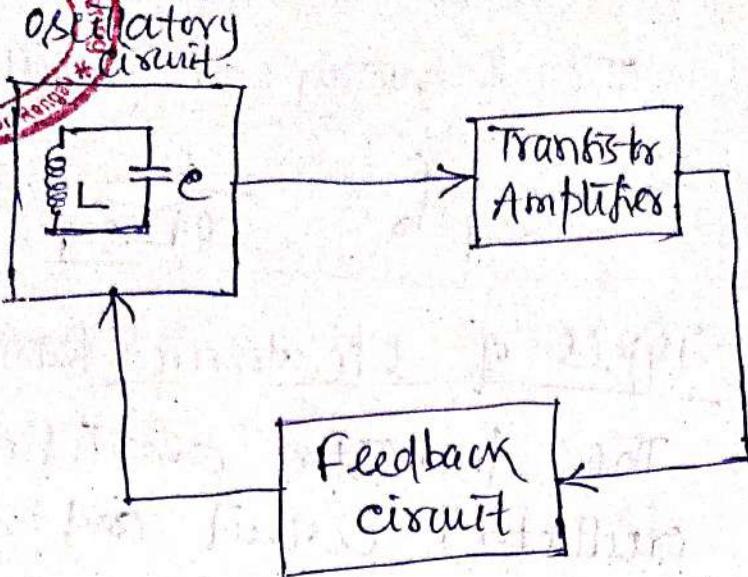
c) emitter current:  $I_E$  is dc current and  $\dot{i}_E$  is ac current and total current  $I_E = I_E + \dot{i}_E$ .

~~Q. Q. Explain through simple block diagram 2.9 working of basic oscillator with diff elements~~  
 An electronic device that generates sinusoidal oscillations of desired frequency is called sinusoidal oscillator.

An oscillator contains 3 basic components, one is the oscillatory circuit or tank circuit, 2nd unit is a transistor amplifier and 3rd unit is a feed back circuit. The interconnection as shown in



the figure @ can produce sinusoidal oscillations



### Working principle of the oscillator:

The tank circuit consists of a capacitor and an inductor in parallel with each other. The capacitor is initially charged. When the connection is made to start discharging, so the inductor starts charging. The electrical energy stored in the capacitor converts to magnetic energy in the conductor. When the capacitor is fully discharged, the conductor becomes fully charged. Now inductor discharges and capacitor starts charging but this time in opposite direction.

~~After this~~ This process of charging and discharging between L & C (conversion of energy from electrical to magnetic and vice-versa) continues. If there will be no losses in L or C, then this oscillation will continue indefinitely.

This oscillation signal is amplified by the transistor amplifier. To compensate any loss in L or C or the loss of energy conversion, a part of the

(28) output is fed back to the input (tank circuit) by the feedback circuit.

The frequency of oscillation is given as -

$$f_o = \frac{1}{2\pi f L C}$$

### Types of electronic (transistor) oscillators -

The transistor amplifier along with the oscillatory circuit and feedback network can produce continuous undamped oscillations of any desired frequency.

Different types of oscillators differ from each other in the way of feedback employed to compensate the losses in the oscillatory circuit. Different oscillators are -

1. Tuned collector oscillator
2. Hartley oscillator
3. Wien bridge oscillator
4. Phase shift oscillator
5. Colpitt's oscillator
6. Crystal oscillator.

### 28. Electronic oscillation and its classification

An electronic device that generates sinusoidal oscillations of desired frequency is known as sinusoidal oscillator.

An oscillator actually does not generate frequency or energy, it only

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acts as an energy converter. It takes dc energy in and converts it into ac energy (signals) of desired frequency.

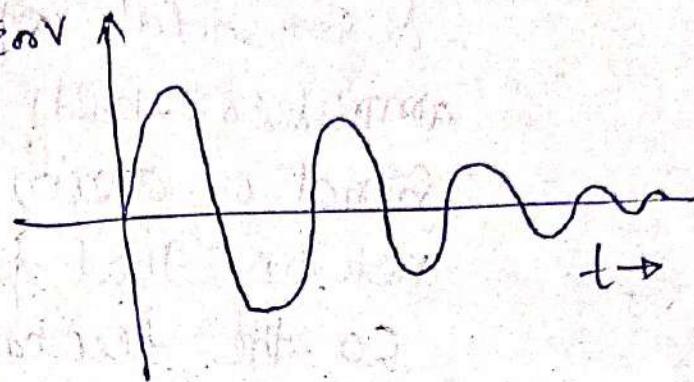
### Types of sinusoidal oscillations

Sinusoidal oscillations are of two types -

- Damped oscillation
- Undamped oscillation

Damped oscillation:  $\frac{d^2\theta}{dt^2} + \frac{2\pi}{T} \cdot \theta = 0$

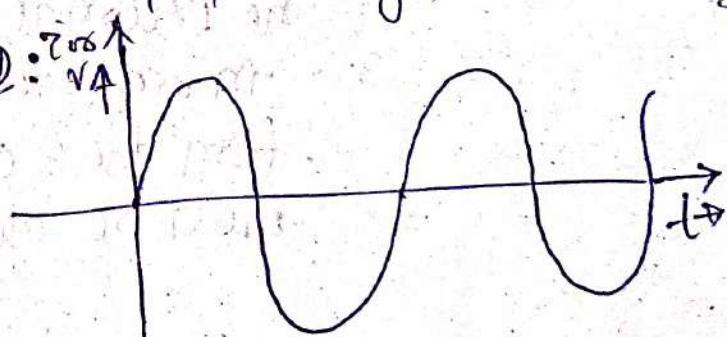
The oscillation in which the amplitude of the signal decreases from cycle to cycle; is called



damped oscillation. It is due to the fact that in every cycle of operation, some amount of energy is lost. This loss goes on increasing cumulatively from cycle to cycle, so the amplitude goes on decreasing.

Undamped oscillation:  $\frac{d^2\theta}{dt^2} = \frac{2\pi}{T^2} \cdot \theta$

If the amount of energy lost during the cycle can be compensated by supplying

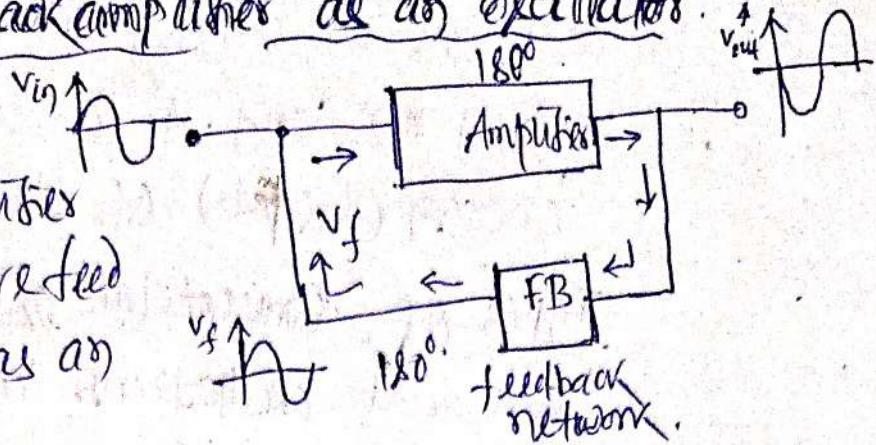


it externally, then the amplitude of signal will remain constant in every cycle, this type of oscillation is called undamped oscillation.

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## A +ve feedback amplifier as an oscillator.

A transistor amplifier with proper positive feedback can act as an oscillator.



A sinusoidal input signal is amplified by the amplifier which produces  $180^\circ$  phase shift. This signal is again passed through a feedback network that produces another  $180^\circ$  phase shift so the feedback signal is in phase with the input signal. Now, the input signal is taken out and the feedback signal is amplified. The above facts can be summarised as -

1. A transistor amplifier with proper positive feedback will work as an oscillator.
2. The circuit needs only a quick trigger to start the oscillation. Once oscillation started, no external signal source is needed.
3. In order to get continuous undamped output from the circuit, the following condition must be met -

$$m_v \cdot A_v = 1$$

where  $A_v$  = voltage gain of amplifier without feedback.  
 $m_v$  = feedback fraction.

This relation is called Brookhaven criterion.

## Ch:2 Assignments

- Q.1. Define a rectifier and explain its use? [2]
- Q.2. what are the different types of rectifiers and why they called so? [2]
- Q.3. With neat circuit diagram and input output waveforms, explain the operation of a half wave rectifier? [5]
- Q.4. Derive efficiency of a HWR, explain its advantages and disadvantages? [5]
- Q.5. With neat circuit diagram and input output waveform explain the operating  
— a) center tap fw rectifiers [5]  
— b) Bridge fw rectifiers [5]
- Q.6. Derive PIV of center tap fw rectifiers?  
Explain its advantages & disadvantages [5]
- Q.7. Derive PIV of fw bridge rectifiers and explain its advantages & disadvantages [5]
- Q.8. Derive efficiency of fw rectifiers? [5]
- Q.9. Explain ripple and ripple factor for HWR & fw rectifiers? [2+3]
- Q.10. What is a filter? Why it is needed? [2]
- Q.11. With neat circuit diagram and waveforms explain the operation of —

- a) Capacitor filter    b) Choke input filter  
c) capacitor input filter [5+5+5]

Q-12. with block diagram and output wave  
form of each block, explain the working  
of DC power supply? [5]

Q-13. what is a transistor? why the name  
is such? [2]

Q-14. what are the different types of  
transistors? draw symbols of each? [2]

Q-15. what are the different types of  
transistor configurations? draw the [7]  
connection diagram of each connection  
separately with NPN & PNP transistors?

Q-16. explain the operation of —  
— n-p-n transistor  
— p-n-p transistor. [5]

Q-17. derive explaining current gain of  
a transistor in —  
a) CB configuration  
b) CE configuration  
c) CC configuration

Q.18 ~~Explain~~ derive the relationship between -  
a)  $\alpha \& \beta$  b)  $\beta \& \gamma$  c)  $\alpha \& \gamma$   
d)  $\alpha, \beta \& \gamma$

Q.19 What is the need of biasing in a  
transistor? [2]

Q.20 What are the different types of biasing  
used in a transistor-amplifier? [2]

Q.21 Draw the circuit diagram and explain the  
biasing methods -

- a) Base resistor bias [2x1]
- b) Emitter bias
- c) ~~base~~ collector feedback bias
- d) Potential divider bias

Q.22 With neat circuit diagram explain the  
operation of ~~an~~ CE amplifier? [5]

Q.23 What is stage of an amplifier?  
Draw the O.C.T of a single stage CE amplifier? [5]

Q.24 What is oscillation? What are the different  
types? [2]

Q.25 Explain the operation of a basic  
oscillator circuit? [3]



## Ch-2 , multiple choice questions

Q.1. The crystal diode has a forward resistance of the order of —

- a) K $\Omega$
- b) M $\Omega$
- c) m $\Omega$
- d)  $\mu\Omega$

Q.2. A crystal diode has —

- a) Two P-N junctions
- b) one P-N junction
- c) Three P-N junctions
- d) Four P-N junctions

Q.3. When arrow head of a crystal diode is +ve and tail is -ve, then the diode is

- a) forward biased
- b) reverse biased
- c) unbiased
- d) fully biased

Q.4. The reverse current in a diode is of the order of —

- a) ~~K~~ KA
- b) MA
- c) mA
- d)  $\mu$ A

Q.5. The dc resistance of a crystal diode is — than its ac resistance.

- a) more than
- b) less
- c) greater
- d) few

Q.6. When the graph between voltage across and current through a device is a straight line the device is said to be —

- a) linear
- b) non linear
- c) circular
- d) parabolic

- Q.7 The disadvantage of a half-wave rectifier is that—  
a) components are expensive.  
b) it uses less no. of components.  
c) the output is difficult to filter.  
d) none of the above.

- Q.8 If the PIV rating of a diode is exceeded  
a) the diode conducts poorly.  
b) the diode is destroyed.  
c) the diode behaves as a zener diode.  
d) none of the above.

- Q.9 Ripple is the unwanted \_\_\_\_\_ component present at the o/p of a rectifier.  
a) ac b) dc c) both ac & dc d) none

- Q.10 For sinusoidal input voltage, the ripple factors of HWR & FWR, are respectively—  
a) 0.48 and 1.21 b) 1.21 and 0.48  
c) both are 1.21 d) both are 0.48

- Q.11 Ripples present at the output of a rectifier can be minimized or reduced to lowest possible value, by using a \_\_\_\_\_.  
a) transistor b) transformer  
c) filter d) amplifier.

1. In a capacitor filter, the <sup>capacitor</sup> ~~filter~~ is usually connected in        path.  
a) series      b) parallel      c) straight      d) ~~end~~ curved.

13. A capacitor input filter is otherwise called as         
a)  $\Delta$  filter      b)  $\delta$  filter      c)  $\Pi$  filter  
d)  $\nabla$  filter.

14. Which of the following is the correct sequence of devices connected from input to output in a dc power supply system —

- a) Regulator - rectifier - filter - transformer
- b) transformer - rectifier - filter - regulator.
- c) filter - regulator - transformer - rectifier
- d) transformer - rectifier - regulator - filter

15. On the symbol of a transistor, the arrow mark is placed on       

- a) emitter
- b) base
- c) collector
- d) input

16. A transistor is the combination of        nos. of P-N junctions.

- a) 4
- b) 3
- c) 1
- d) 2

17. Which region is thinnest in a transistor?  
a) collector

- b) emitter
- c) base
- d) output.

18. In common emitter configuration, the input and output are taken respectively between

- a) B-E and C-E    b) C-B and E-B  
c) B-C and E-C    d) B-B and C-C

19. Majority carrier current in an n-p-n transistor is due to —

- a) holes    b) electrons    c) both electron & hole    d) none

20. Minority carrier current in a p-n-p transistor is due to

- a) electrons    b) holes    c) both electrons & holes    d) none

21. Which is the correct transistor current equation.

- a)  $I_B = I_C + I_E$     b)  $I_C = I_E + I_B$     c)  $I_E = I_B + I_C$ .  
d)  $I_E = I_B - I_C$ .

22. Common Emitter current gain is denoted by

- a)  $\alpha$     b)  $\beta$     c)  $\gamma$     d)  $\delta$

23. Which of the following is the correct expression for  $\gamma$  (common collector current gain)

a)  $\gamma = \frac{AIE}{AIB}$     b)  $\gamma = \frac{AIC}{AIB}$     c)  $\gamma = \frac{AIB}{AIE}$     d)  $\gamma = \frac{AIB}{AIC}$

24. To act as an amplifier, a transistor is required to be operated in \_\_\_\_\_ regime.

- a) cut off    b) saturation    c) active    d) none.

25. In a tank circuit, the frequency of oscillation is given by —

a)  $f = \frac{2\pi}{\sqrt{LC}}$  b)  $f = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{LC}}$  c)  $f = \sqrt{LC}$  d)  $f = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}}$

26. In under damped oscillation, the <sup>amplitude</sup> of successive cycles goes on —

- a) increasing b) remain same c) decreasing  
d) none of the above.

27. An oscillator is a — feedback amplifier.

- a) -ve b) zero c)  $\infty$  d) +ve.

28. Which of the following is called Barkhausen criterion.

a)  $m_V \cdot A_V = 1$  b)  $\frac{m_V}{A_V} = 1$  c)  $\frac{A_V}{m_V} = 1$  d)  $A_V m_V \neq 1$

29. An amplifier can produce — phase shift.

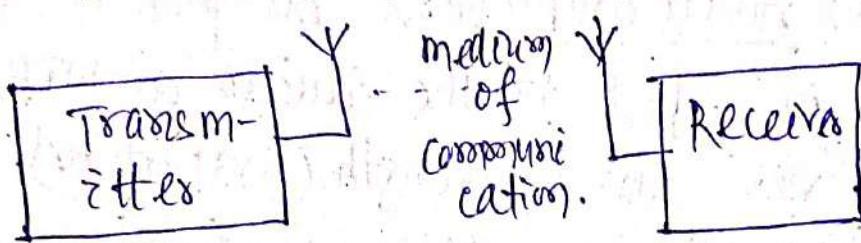
- a)  $90^\circ$  b)  $360^\circ$  c)  $180^\circ$  d)  $0^\circ$ .

30. An oscillator is a — signal generator.

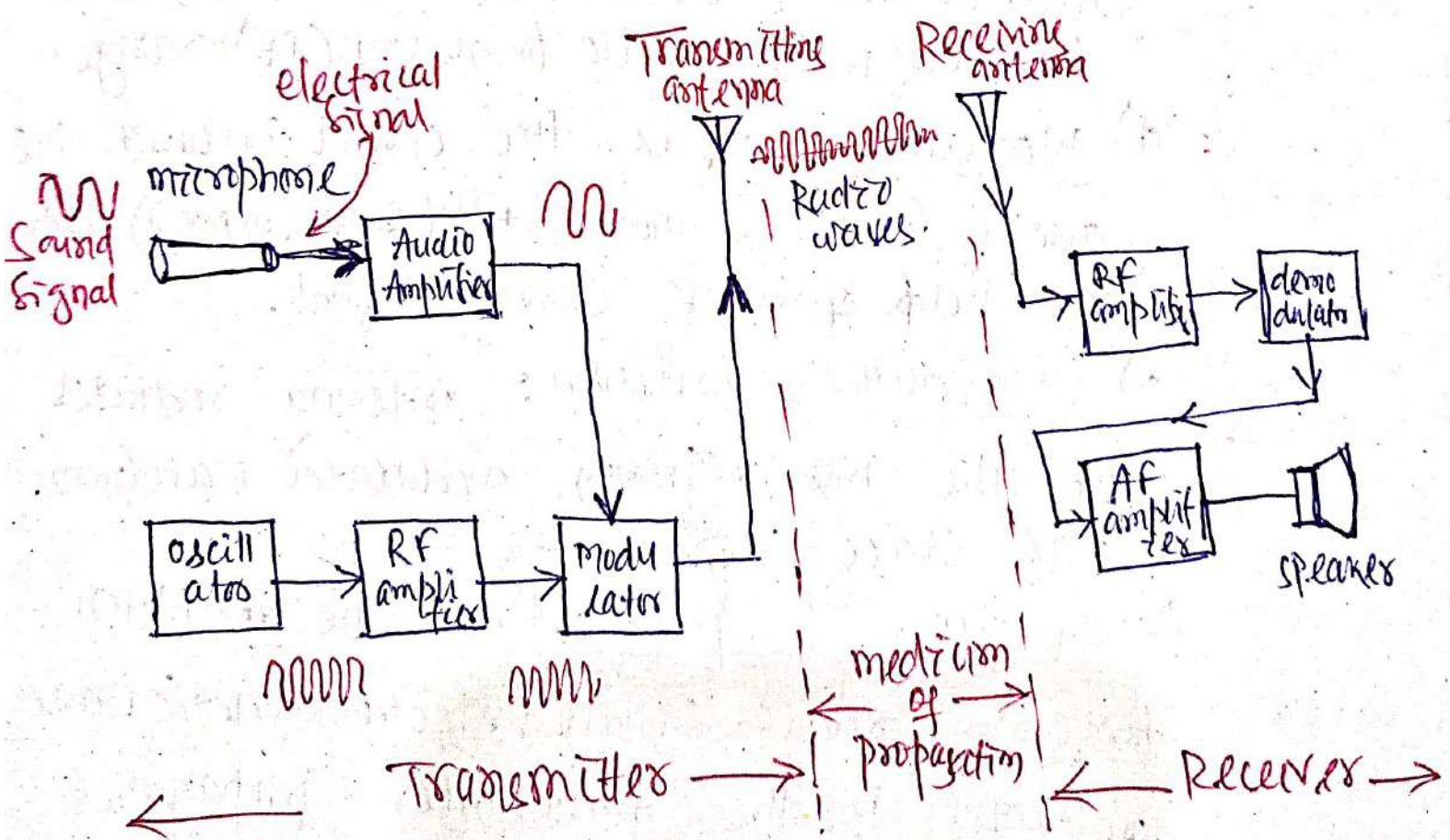
- a) triangular b) sinusoidal c) square d) rectangular

3.1 Basic communication system:

Communication is the process of connecting or transporting information from the transmitter (sender) to the receiver (may be at a distant place), through a medium. The entire system consists of 3 parts.



The above block diagram can be extended as -



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① Transmitter converts the audio signal into electric signal, modulates it with high frequency RF carrier and transmits to air (space) which is the medium. Different components in transmitter are-

- a) Microphone: microphone converts sound signal to electrical signal. There is a very thin film called diaphragm which vibrates with the air pressure exerted on it and produces electrical signal in audio range (20 Hz to 20 kHz).
- b) Audio amplifier: output of the microphone is fed to the audio amplifier which increases the strength (amplitude) of the audio signal.
- c) Oscillator: it is a circuit which produces high frequency signal called carrier signal having frequency in radio frequency (RF) range.
- d) Modulator: it is the circuit in which the audio signal is modulated (superimposed) with the help of a RF carrier signal.
- e) Transmitting antenna: antenna radiates out the high frequency modulated waveform into space.

2. Medium of propagation: The very high frequency radio signals (electromagnetic waves) radiated by the transmitter propagates (waves) in all directions in space (air & medium) with the velocity of light ( $3 \times 10^8$  m/s).

- ③ 3. Receivers: It is the part of communication system in which the received RF signal is again converted to low frequency audio signal and converted to sound signal by a loudspeaker.
- a) Receiving antenna: It is an antenna (called aerial) which receives the high frequency (RF) electromagnetic waves from space and provides it to RF amplifier.
  - b) RF amplifiers: The received EM signals are amplified by RF amplifiers, to increase its strength (amplitude).
  - c) Demodulator or detector: Demodulator does the reverse operation of a modulator i.e., the audio signal is separated from the RF signal.
  - d) Audio amplifiers: Audio amplifiers (sometimes multistages) amplify the weak audio signal to increase its strength.
  - e) Loud speaker: It does the reverse operation of a microphone, i.e., converts the electrical signals into sound signals.

### 3.2: Concept of modulation & Demodulation

Modulation is the process of varying some characteristics (i.e., amplitude, frequency or phase) of a carrier wave with the help of modulating signal (information signal).

modulation is done by a modulator at the transmitter end of the communication system.

A) If we want to transmit a sound (audio) signal or picture (video) signal, then it is the modulating signal. It will modulate the amplitude, frequency or phase of a carrier signal.

Demodulation is a process in which the modulating signal is recovered from the modulated signal (transmitted through the transmitting antenna) with the help of the same carrier signal. (Used during modulation)

Demodulation is done by a demodulator or detector in the receiver end of a communication system.

### Difference between modulation and demodulation

#### Modulation

#### Demodulation

- ① It is the process of changing some characteristics like amplitude, phase or frequency of a carrier signal by the modulating signal.
- ② Depending upon the characteristic, which is modulated, the name of the modulation process is given like amplitude modulation, phase or frequency modulated.
- ③ Modulation is superimposing (mixing) of modulating
- ① It is the process of recovering the modulating signal, from the modulated signal, with the help of the carrier signal.
- ② The modulating signal is recovered from the amplitude, frequency or phase modulated signal.
- ③ Demodulation is decomposing the modulated signal into modulating and carrier signals.

## ~~Signal and carrier signal~~

To produce modulated signal

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- ① Modulation is done in the transmitted part of the communication system.
- ② Modulating signal + carrier signal  $\Rightarrow$  modulated signal.
- ③ Demodulation is done in the receiver part of the communication system.
- ④ Modulated signal  $\Rightarrow$  modulating signal + carrier signal.

### 3.3. Different types of modulation

A carrier signal can be represented as -

$$x_c(t) = V_c \sin(\omega_c t + \phi_c)$$

where  $x_c(t)$   $\Rightarrow$  instantaneous value of the carrier signal at any time instant

$V_c \Rightarrow$  peak or amplitude of the signal.

$\omega_c \Rightarrow$  angular frequency of the signal

$$\omega_c = 2\pi f_c, \text{ where } f_c \text{ is the linear frequency.}$$

$\phi_c \Rightarrow$  phase of carrier signal.

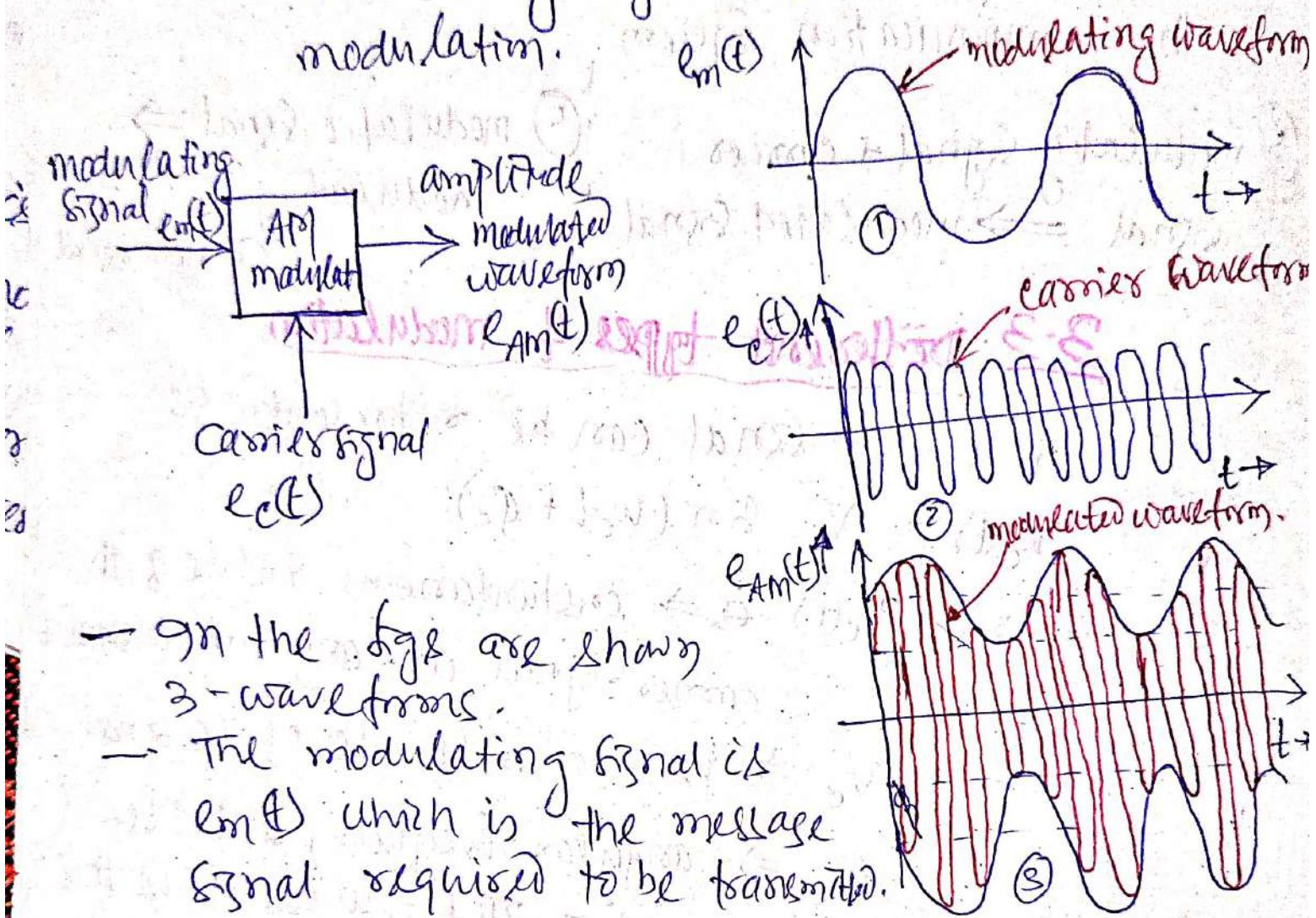
$$\omega_c = \frac{d}{dt}(\phi_c)$$

We can change (modulate) the amplitude or frequency or phase of the carrier signal and accordingly the modulation will be amplitude, frequency or phase modulation respectively.

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### 3.3(a) amplitude modulation

The process by which amplitude of a carrier signal is varied in accordance with the modulating signal is called amplitude modulation.



- On the figs are shown 3-waveforms.
- The modulating signal is  $e_m(t)$  which is the message signal required to be transmitted.
- A high frequency carrier  $e_c(t)$  is utilised for such modulation i.e., amplitude of the carrier signal is varied according to the modulating signal, resulting the amplitude modulated waveform  $e_{AM}(t)$ .
- Only amplitude of the carrier signal varies keeping frequency and phase constant (unchanged).
- In amplitude modulation, amplitude of the

⑦ carrier signal varies according to the modulating signal in both halves (+ve & -ve) so that the amplitude modulated waveform is an envelope (as shown in fig ③)

modulation index or modulation factor

Modulation index or modulation factor is defined as the ratio of change in amplitude of the carrier to the amplitude of the carrier

$$M = \frac{\text{change in amplitude of carrier signal}}{\text{amplitude of carrier signal}}$$

$$M = \frac{E_m}{E_c} \quad \text{where } E_m(t) = E_m \sin \omega_m t \text{ is the modulating signal}$$

$$\text{and } e_c(t) = E_c \sin \omega_c t \text{ is the carrier signal.}$$

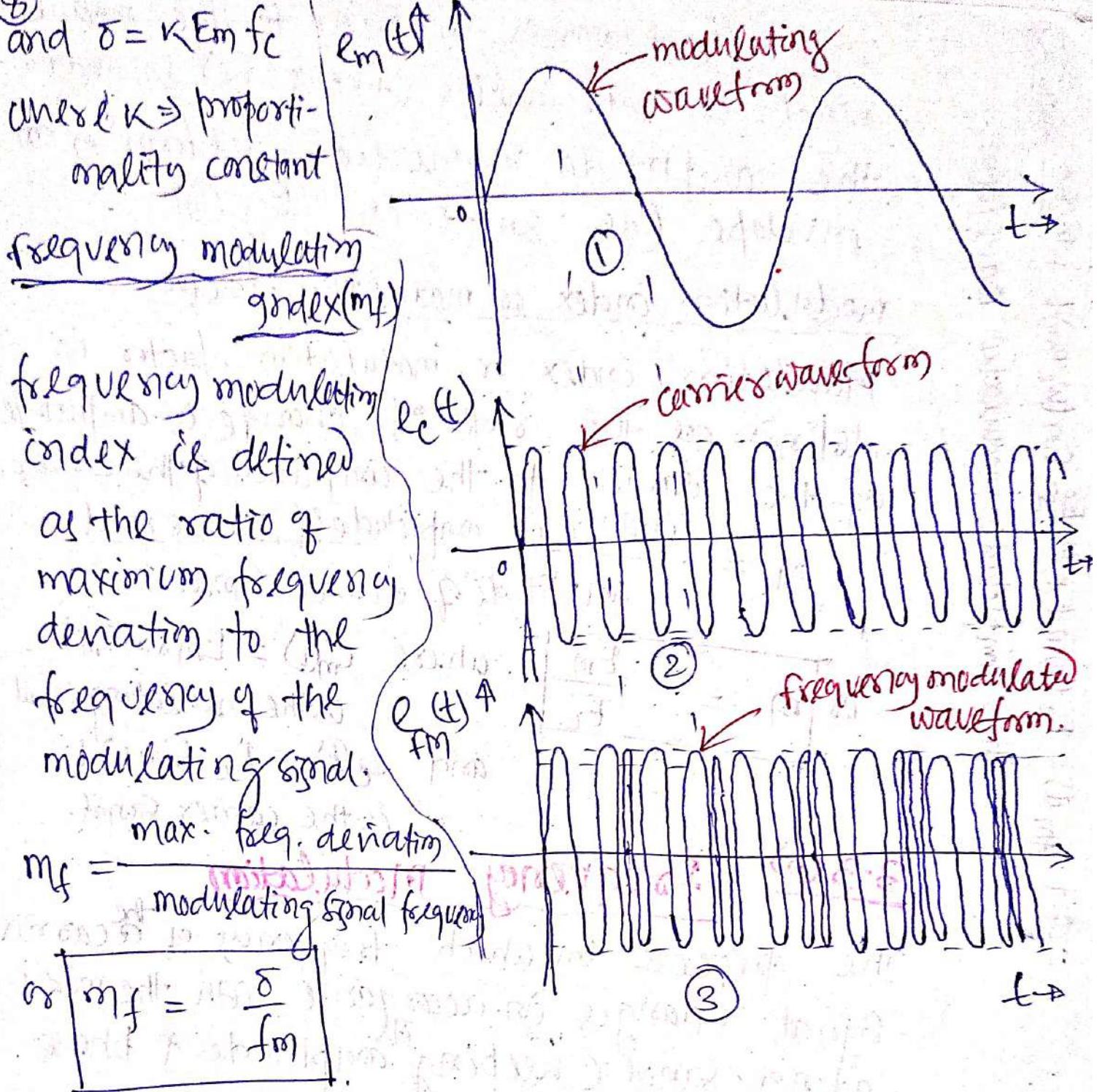
### 3.3 (b) Frequency Modulation

The process by which frequency of the carrier signal changes in accordance with the modulating signal (keeping its amplitude & phase unchanged) is called frequency modulation.

In frequency modulation, the frequency ( $f_c$ ) of the carrier signal  $e_c(t) = E_c \sin \omega_c t$  changes according to the modulating signal  $E_m(t) = E_m \sin \omega_m t$ , producing the frequency modulated waveform  $e_{fm}(t)$  given by  $e_{fm}(t) = E_c \sin (\omega_c t + \frac{\sigma}{f_m} \sin \omega_m t)$

where  $\sigma = \text{maximum frequency deviation}$

(6) and  $\delta = K E_m f_c$   
 where  $K \Rightarrow$  proportionality constant  
frequency modulation index ( $m_f$ )



As seen from 68 ③, the frequency of the frequency modulated waveform varies according to the modulating signal (i.e., where the amplitude of the modulating signal is more, frequency at that point is more in the modulated signal).

Advantages and Disadvantages of Frequency modulation



## Advantages:

- i) High transmission efficiency
- ii) Noiseless reception.
- iii) Better audio quality.

## Disadvantages:

- i) wider channel is required.
- ii) equipments used are complex and costly.
- iii) smaller area of reception (only upto line of sight)

## 3.3 (c) Phase Modulation

The process by which phase of the carrier signal is varied in accordance with the modulating signal (keeping its amplitude and frequency unchanged) is called phase modulation.

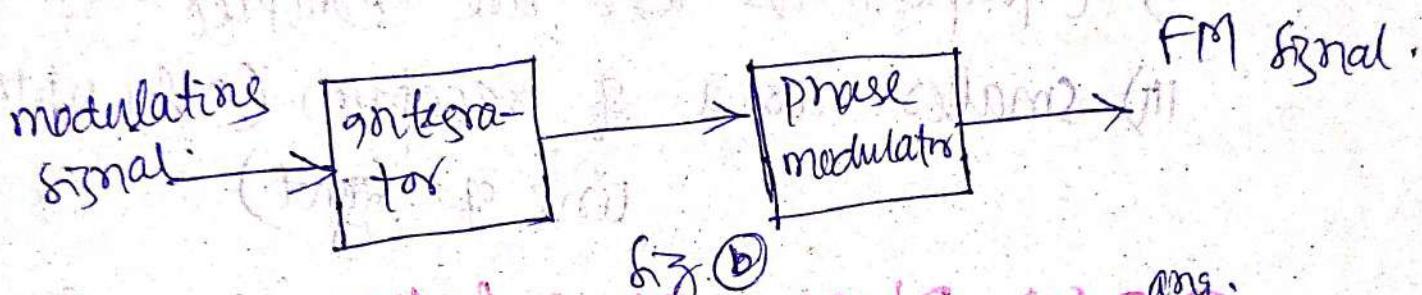
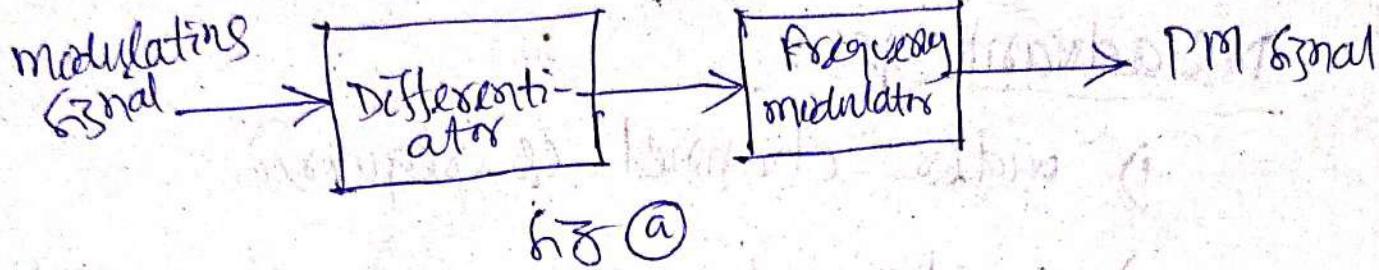
in phase modulation, the phase deviation is proportional to the amplitude of the modulating signal ( $E_m$ ) but is independent of its frequency ( $f_m$ ). in this case the phase of the modulated wave leads the reference position during the half cycle of the modulating signal and lags the

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reference position during the -ve half cycle of the modulating signal.

~~Phase modulated signals (PM)~~

PM can be obtained from FM and vice-versa.



We know,  $\omega = \frac{d\theta}{dt}$  where  $\omega \rightarrow$  freq.  $\theta \rightarrow$  phase.

- derivative of phase is frequency and integration of frequency is phase.
- therefore if a modulating signal is first differentiated and then applied to a frequency modulator, the phase modulated signal (PM) will be obtained [Fig. (a)].

- similarly, if the modulating signal is first integrated and then applied to a phase modulator, the frequency modulated (FM) signal will be obtained [Fig. (b)].

- Q.1 what is communication? [2]
- Q.2 with a neat block diagram explain each component of a communication system? [7]
- Q.3 what is a transmitter? [2]
- Q.4 what is a receiver? [2]
- Q.5 what is a communicating medium? [2]
- Q.6 what is modulation? [2]
- Q.7 why modulation is necessary? [2]
- Q.8 what is demodulation? [2]
- Q.9 why demodulation is necessary? [2]
- Q.10 point wise give a comparative description of modulation and demodulation? [5]
- Q.11 what are the different types of modulation? [2]
- Q.12 define and explain Amplitude Modulation? [5]
- Q.13 define and explain frequency modulation? [5]
- Q.14 define and explain phase modulation? [5]
- Q.15 what are the advantages and disadvantages of Amplitude modulation? [5]
- Q.16 what are the advantages and disadvantages of frequency modulation? [5]
- Q.17 explain how PM can be obtained from FM and vice-versa? [5]

Chapters - 3

Assignments

## Communication System (PQ&Qs)

Q.1. Communication is the process of transferring \_\_\_\_\_ between sender and receiver.

- a) Goods
- b) Information
- c) noise
- d) Posts

Q.2. Connection between transmitter and receiver is established through \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) water
- b) air
- c) medium
- d) vapours

Q.3. Modulator is the main component of the \_\_\_\_\_ in a communication system.

- a) Transmitter
- b) Receiver
- c) Transponder
- d) Expander

Q.4. The main constituent component of a receiver is the \_\_\_\_\_, in a communication system

- a) decomposer
- b) deactivator
- c) debugger
- d) demodulator

Q.5. Microphone converts \_\_\_\_\_ signal to \_\_\_\_\_ signal

- a) audio, electrical
- b) video, optical
- c) mechanical, audio
- d) electrical, video

Q.6. The device which converts electrical signal to audio signal is called \_\_\_\_\_

- a) microphone
- b) speaker
- c) gramophone
- d) LED

Q.7. The Three Parameters of a Sinusoidal ac signal are \_\_\_\_\_

- a) length, breadth, height
- b) weight, mass, duration

Q.8. Amplitude, frequency, phase & phase, lag, lead.

Q.8. The signal which undergoes modulation by the modulating (information or message) signal is called-

- a) caretaker
- b) carryover
- c) carry remover
- d) carrier

Q.9. In amplitude modulation, \_\_\_\_\_ of the carrier signal changes according to the modulating signal.

- a) phase
- b) frequency
- c) amplitude
- d) none of the above

Q.10. Amplitude modulation index is the ratio of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_

- a)  $E_m$  to  $E_c$
- b)  $E_c$  to  $E_m$
- c) 1 to  $E_c$
- d) 1 to  $E_m$ .

Q.11. In frequency modulation, \_\_\_\_\_ of the carrier signal changes according to modulating signal

- a) phase
- b) frequency
- c) amplitude
- d) none of the above

Q.12. Frequency is the \_\_\_\_\_ of phase angle.

- a) derivative
- b) integration
- c) interpolation
- d) diffum.

Q.13. Which type of modulation provides highest transmitting efficiency.

- a) Amplitude
- b) phase
- c) frequency
- d) Delta.

Q.14. When a differentiator circuit is connected before a frequency modulator, the overall device can be called as a \_\_\_\_\_ modulator.

- a) Amplitude
- b) phase
- c) Delta
- d) frequency.

15. In a modulator, the modulation of modulating signal and carrier signal produces — Signal.  
a) demodulated      b) modulated c) unmodulated  
d) none of the above.
16. Frequency range of audio signal is —  
a) 2 to 20 MHz    b) 20 to 40 MHz.  
c) 20 Hz to 20 KHz    d) 20 KHz to 40 KHz.
17. Antenna connects the transmitter and/or receiver to the —.  
a) signal    b) input    c) output    d) medium.
18. To convert a phase modulator to a frequency modulator, we need a — to be connected before FM phase modulator.  
a) an integrator    b) an interceptor    c) an integrator  
d) an insulator.
19. In frequency modulation, maximum frequency deviation is denoted by —  
a)  $\alpha$     b)  $B$ .    c)  $\gamma$     d)  $\delta$ .
20. Frequency modulating index is given by the ratio of — —  
a)  $E_m$  &  $E_c$     b)  $K$  and  $f_m$     c)  $\delta$  &  $f_m$     d)  $\delta$  &  $K$ .



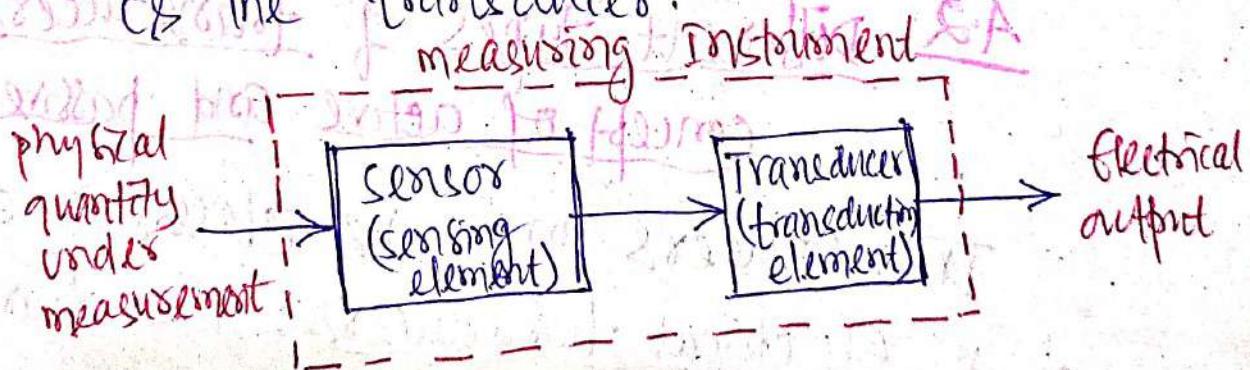
# Ch-A: Transducers and measuring instruments:

## 4.1 Concept of Transducer and sensor with their differences.

Transducer is a device which converts energy from one form to other. The energy may be of any form like electrical, mechanical, chemical, thermal, solar, tidal, muscular etc -

Sensor is a device, which can sense the presence of any form of energy or its effect which is in a sensible (measurable) form. Sensors are also called detectors.

All measuring instrument (device) consists of two basic elements, the first one is the sensor or detector and second is the transducer.



## Q2 Difference between sensor and transducer

### Sensor

### Transducer

1. Sensor is a device which detects the presence of the measurable quantity.
2. It is the primary or first element of a measuring instrument.
3. Sensor, for its performance may not depend upon a transducer.
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2. Transducer is a device which converts energy from one form to another.
2. It takes the output of the sensor and converts it to suitable form for measurement.
3. A transducer always depends upon a sensor before measuring the quantity.
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## A.2 Different types of transducers and concept of active and passive transducers

Transducers may be classified as -

1. Electrical transducers: The transducers which produce electrical energy at its output is an electrical transducer. The output may be in the form of voltage, current

or frequency etc. (3)

2. Displacement transducers: These transducers convert mechanical displacement into electrical energy.

3. optoelectronic transducers: These transducers converts optical (light) energy into electrical energy.

concept of active & passive transducers:

Electrical transducers are the important and most popular transducers which converts non electrical quantities like force, pressure, etc into electrical energy form.

various classifications of electrical transducers

(i) Active and passive transducers.

Active transducers develops their own voltage or current as the output. for this they obtain energy from the primary quantity to be measured.

Ex: thermocouple, piezoelectric transducer, photovoltaic cell etc.

Passive transducers do not develop output of their own and need an external power source for the purpose.

Ex: strain gauge, thermistor, LVDT etc.

#### (A) (ii) primary and secondary transducers.

primary transducers converts physical quantity under measurement directly into electrical output after sensing the quantity.

Ex: thermocouple.

secondary transducers, in which physical quantity is sensed and is converted first into an analogous output, which is further converted into an electrical quantity.

Ex: LVDT used with Bourdon tube to measure pressure.

#### (iii) Analog and Digital transducers

an Analog transducer the output is displayed in analog form.

Ex: strain gauge & LVDT.

an digital transducer the output is displayed in digital form.

Ex: digital multimeter, digital CRO

### 4.3 Working principle of photoemissive, photoconductive & photovoltaic transducers.

The photoelectric transducers absorbs the radiation of light which falls on their semiconductor material. The absorption of light energizes the electrons of the material and hence the electrons start

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moving. The mobility of the electrons produces one of the 3. effects -

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1. The resistance of the material changes.

2. The output current of the semiconductor changes.

3. The output voltage of the semiconductor changes.

photoelectric transducers are of 3 types -

1. photoemissive transducers.

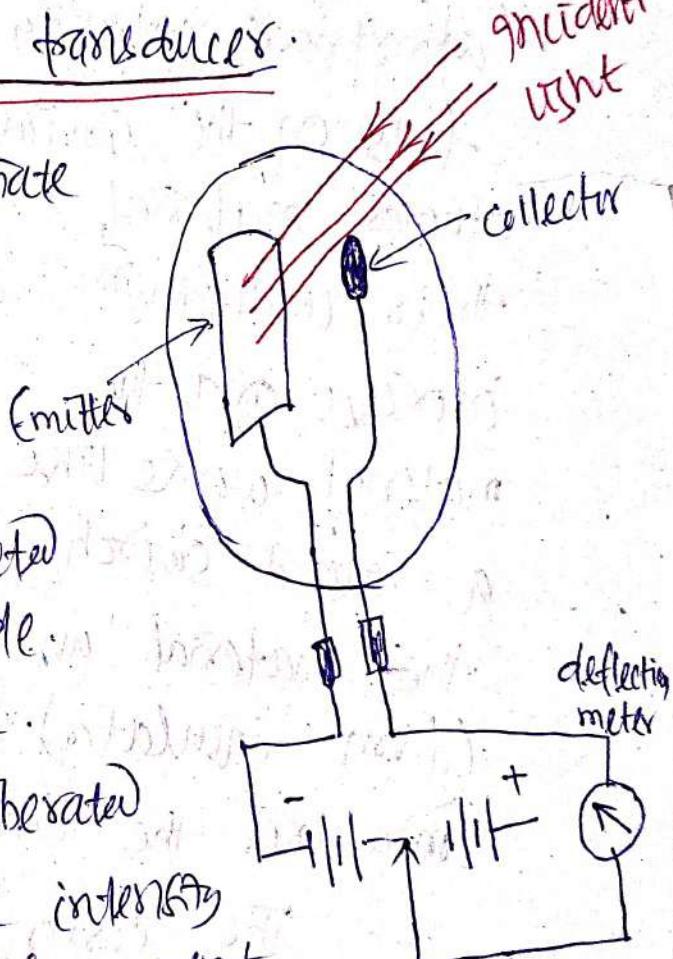
when light of appropriate intensity falls on the photo cathode (emitter) electrons are emitted.

These electrons are collected by a highly +ve anode. cathode is made -ve.

No. of electrons liberated is proportional to the intensity of light and produces current

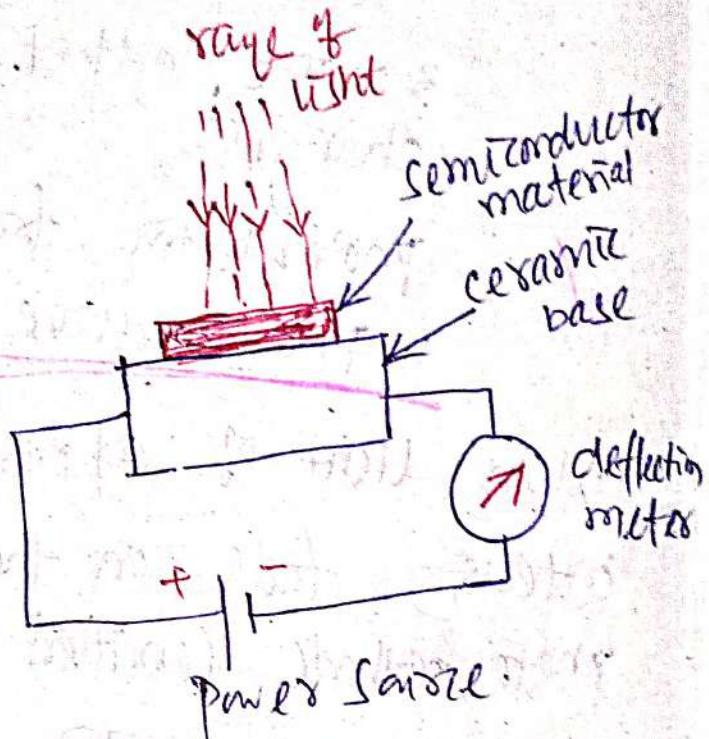
in the external circuit which can be measured by a meter.

Thus the measured current is a direct measure of the intensity of light.



⑥ photo conductive (cell) transducer  
In a photo conductive cell, the conductivity (or resistivity) property of the semiconductor material is utilised. The semiconductor material like cadmium selenide, Ge, Se are used as photo sensitive element.

When light of appropriate intensity falls on the semiconductor material, their conductivity increases and the material works like a closed switch. Current starts flowing through the material which turns to be a conductor (from insulator) and the deflection meter measures the current.



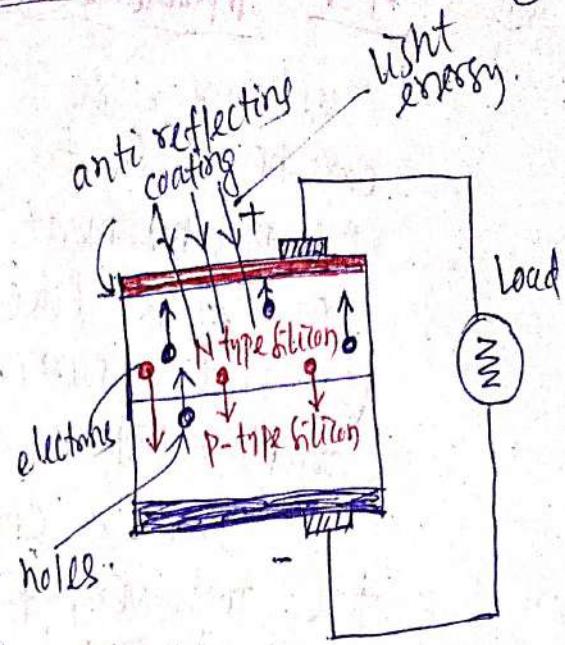
The current is directly proportional to the increase in (change) conductivity or decreases in resistivity which is directly proportional to the intensity of light.

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## photovoltaic transducers

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It is a type of active transducer in which a junction is made between a P-type and an N-type silicon material. Anti reflecting coatings are made over them and terminals are taken out. A suitable load is connected.



When light of appropriate wavelength (intensity) falls on the semiconductor material (both P & N types), they absorb light energy and convert it into heat energy. So holes form P-type & electrons from N-type cross over the junction and conductivity increases in the form of current in the external circuit. With an appropriate load connected across the terminals, the entire arrangement can be utilized as a voltage source and so called a photovoltaic cell.

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#### 4.4. multimeter and its application.

Multimeter is a measuring instrument which can be used for multipurpose measurements i.e., measurement of a number of electrical parameters like voltage, both ac and dc (in volt), current AC or DC (in ampere) and resistance (in ohm).

It is a small, handy and very versatile tool very much close to all maintenance personnel.

It can measure in units like Ampere (current), volt (voltage) and Ohm (resistance). Therefore it is also called AVO meter.

It is available in analog or digital form. Due to better accuracy and less error in reading and measurement now a days, digital multimeters are frequently used.

A multimeter (both analog and digital) has two selector switches on its front (face) panel.

1. Function selector switch: This switch selects the function to be measured (like ac or dc voltage, ac or dc current and resistance).

2. Range selector: After a function is being selected by the function selector, the maximum range is selected (by guess) by the range selector. If the measuring quantity is above the range, then it will show overload, so that next higher range is to be selected.



## Applications of multimeters.

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1. As it can measure a number of electrical parameters (both in ac & dc circuits), it is used in almost all measuring purposes.
2. In trouble shooting of electronic appliances it plays a vital role.
3. In calibrating units, multimeters are used for calibration.
4. In electrical network analyzers or in electronic circuit analyzers, multimeters are used.
5. In maintenance and repair workshops workflows multimeters are used.

## 4.5 Analog & Digital Multimeters.

Multimeters are available in two forms

1. Analog multimeter
2. Digital multimeter.

The 3 basic parameters like current, voltage and resistance, which are measured by the multimeter, are actually measured by measuring the voltage only, which is then converted to current or resistance as the relationship in ohm's law

$$V = I \cdot R$$

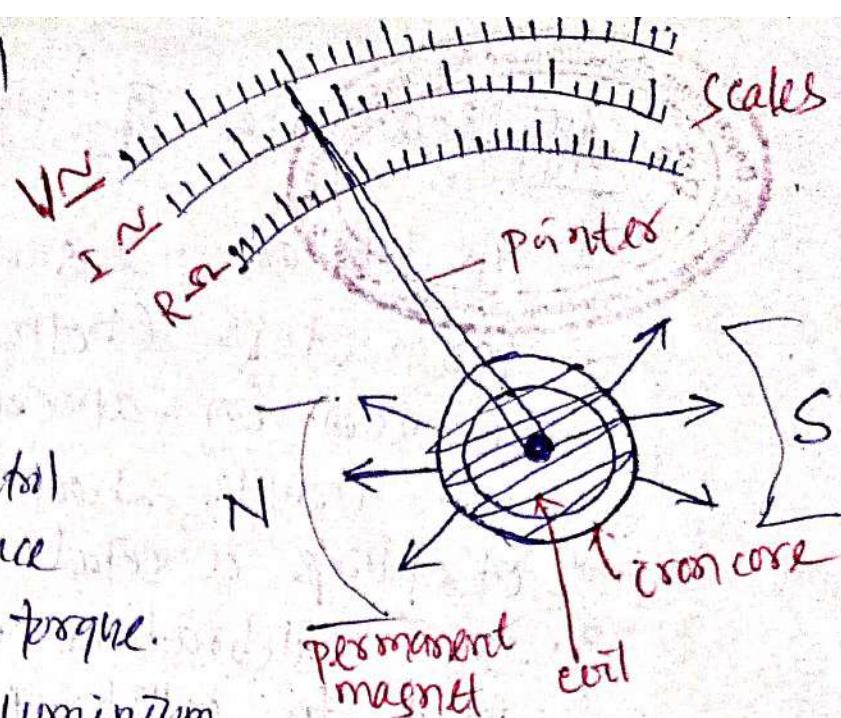
## construction of A.M.M.

- A multimeter is basically a permanent magnet moving coil D'Arsonval meter.

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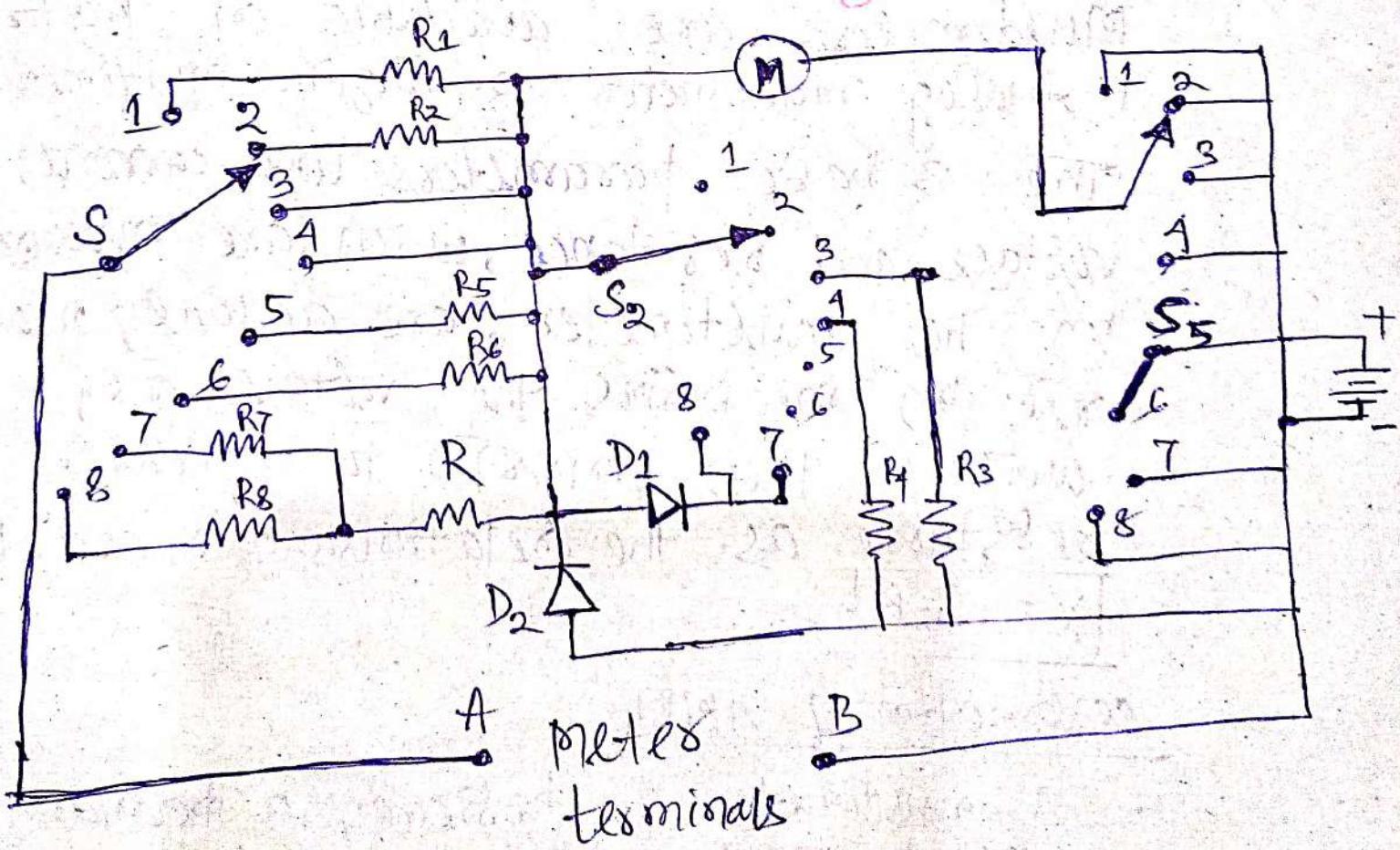
— it has a coil

wound on an aluminium former which can freely move in the field of a magnet.



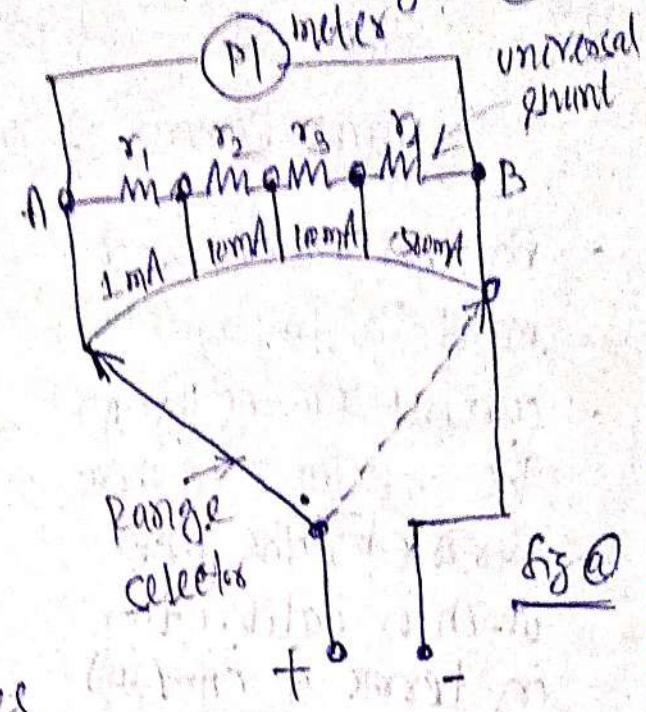
- There are two control springs which produce controlling/restoring torque.
- With the coil an aluminium pointer is attached which moves on calibrated scale.
- The coil is mounted on a fixed iron core, which makes the magnetic field of the permanent magnet as radial within the air gap, in which the coil is to move.

Schematic diagram of Ammeter

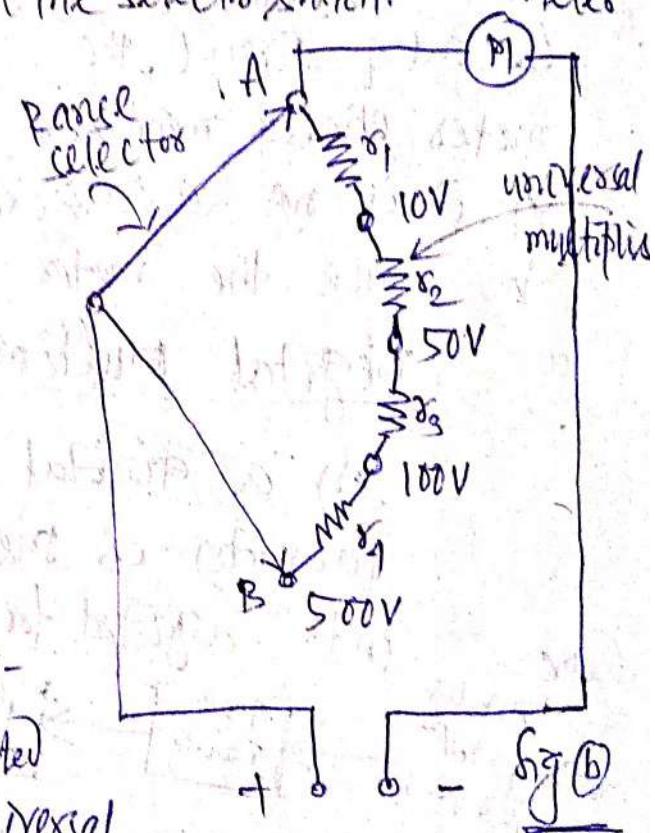


## Measurement of dc current & dc voltage. (11)

- In the fig (a) is shown the arrangement for dc current measurement when the function selector is on current (DC).
- Any source of dc current can be measured by the universal d.c. shunt AB.
- A no. of low resistances are connected in parallel with the meter, through the selector switch.

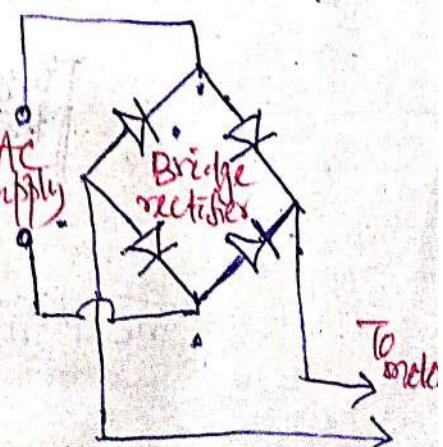


- In the fig (b) is shown the arrangement for dc voltage measurement - when the function selector is on voltage (DC) and the range selector is set to a particular range.
- A number of high resistance values are connected in series called the universal multiplier AB.



## Measurement of ac current & voltage:

for measurement of ac current and voltage, a bridge rectifier is used to convert the ac value



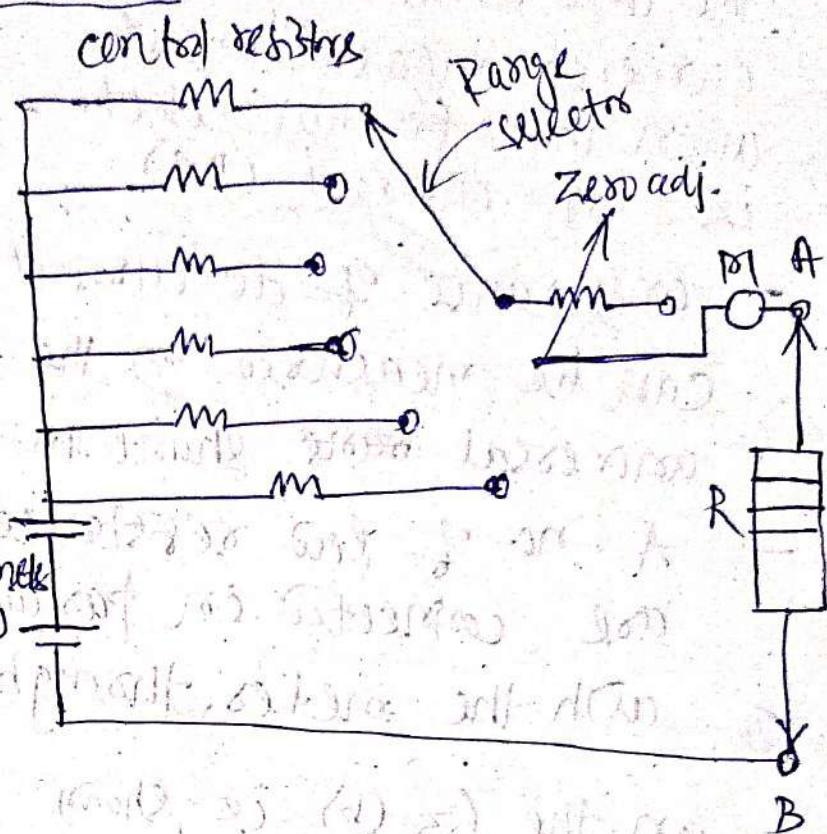
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into dc form and then it is measured by the dc meter.

### Measurement of resistance

- For resistance measurement a battery is used.
- current flowing through the resistance is measured by the meter which is calibrated in terms of ohm( $\Omega$ )
- When the resistors, multimeter battery under measurement is out of circuit, the meter should read zero.

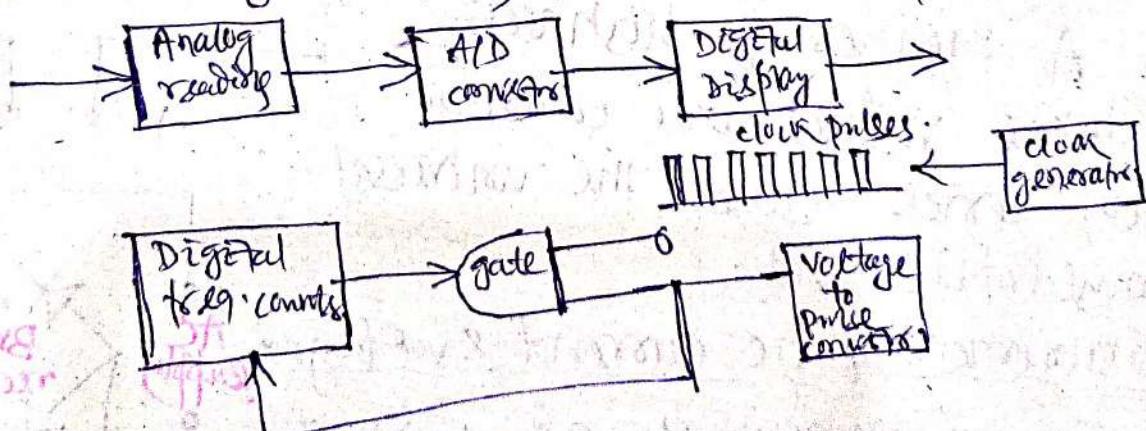
If it is not so, a zero adjustment resistor is used to make the meter zero; before measurement.



### Digital Multimeter (DMM)

In a digital multi meter, the analog quantity is measured and then converted into digital form with the help of an ADC.

(ADC -  
Analog  
to digital  
convertor)



The digital multimeter contains three elements -

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A digital meter contains 3 elements.

1. clock generator which produces fixed freq. clock pulses.

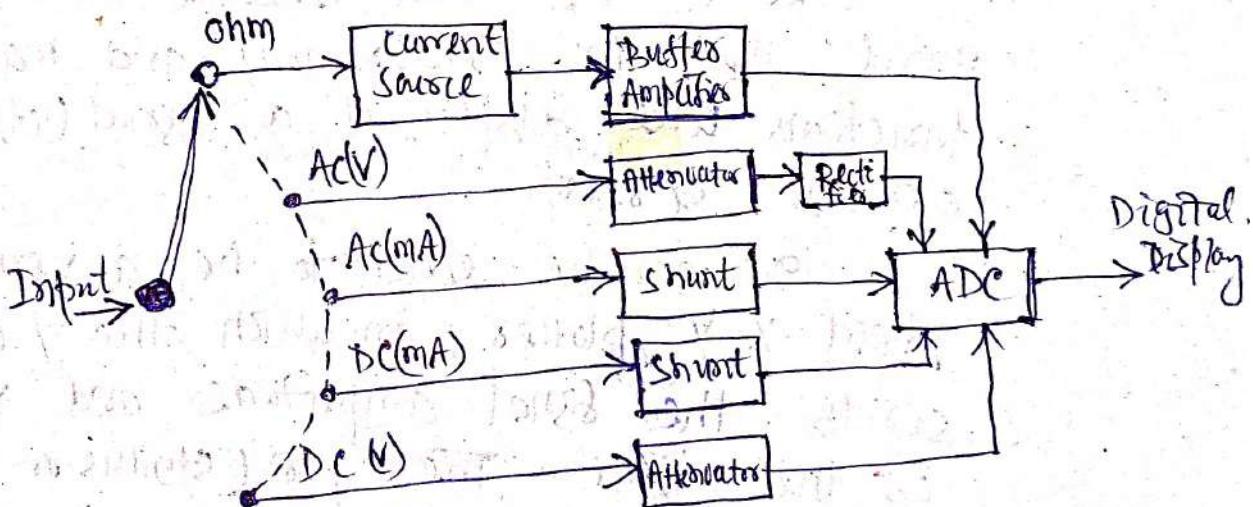
2. A circuit which converts the quantity to be measured into pulses (where width is linearly proportional to the amplitude of the quantity).

3. A digital frequency counter.

### Block diagram of Digital multimeter.

A digital multimeter is basically a digital voltmeter, and may be used for measurement of dc/ac voltages, dc/ac currents & resistance.

All quantities other than voltage is first converted into equivalent dc voltage. So the fig. is shown the block diagram.



### Differences between A.M & D.M.

#### A Meter

- ① These display quantity in terms of deflection of a pointer on a calibrated scale.
- ② It has comparatively poor accuracy.

#### D. Meter

- ① These instruments display a quantity in decimal number format.
- ② It has much better accuracy.

- ③ Resolution is comparatively poor.  
 ④ Analog instruments consume large power.  
 ⑤ They load the circuit while measurement is made.  
 ⑥ Simple in construction.  
 ⑦ Less affected by environment.  
 ⑧ Suffers from parallax and other human errors.
- ③ Resolution is very high.  
 ④ They consume negligible power.  
 ⑤ They don't load the circuit.  
 ⑥ Complex in construction.  
 ⑦ Greatly affected by environment.  
 ⑧ free from human errors.

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## 4.7 Cathode Ray Oscilloscope (CRO)

CRO is the most versatile electronic equipment used for measurement and many other functions like display of a signal (its weshape) on its screen.

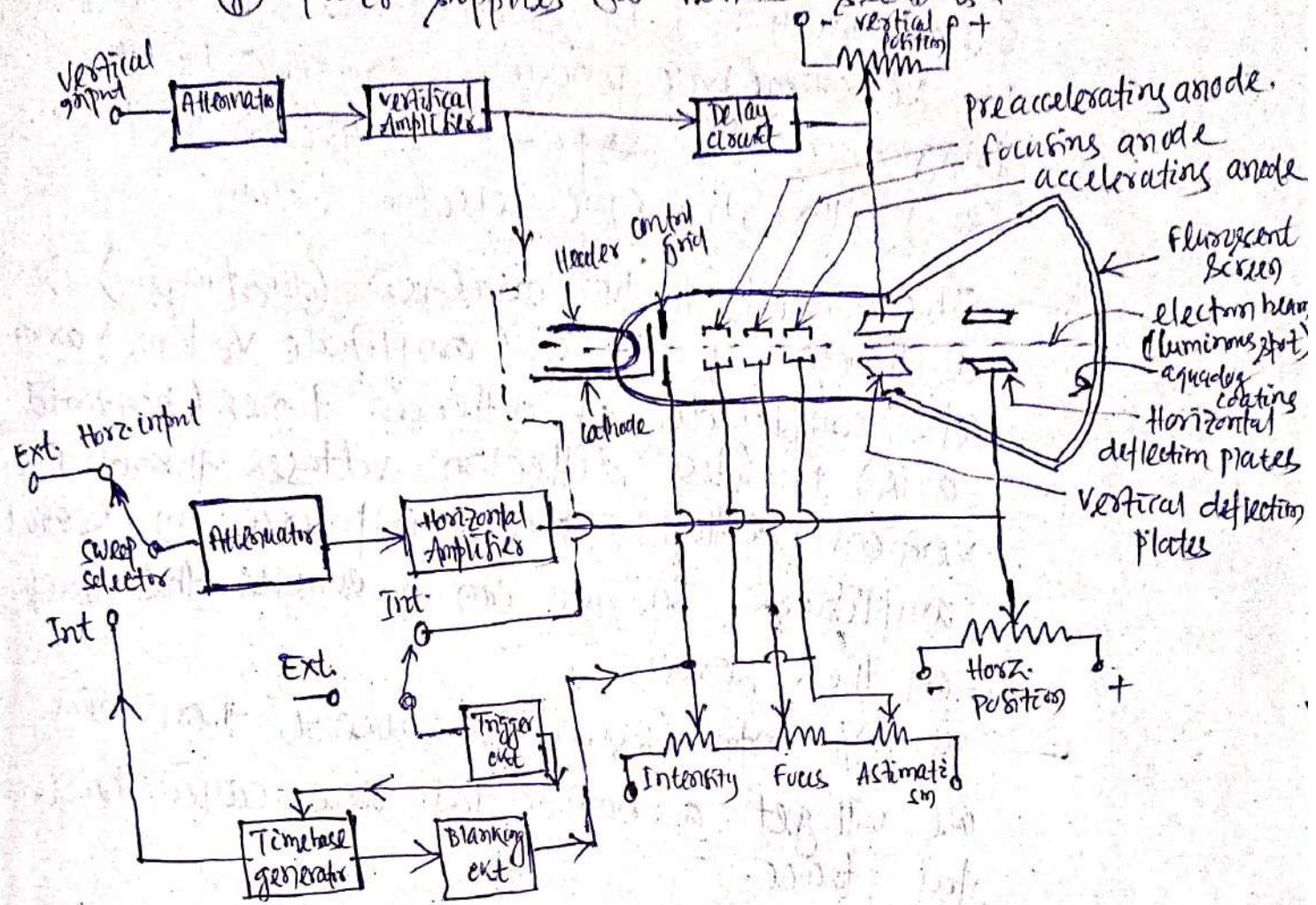
It can be said to be a very high speed X-Y plotter, in which the Y axis represents the signal amplitude and X-axis is the time. The pen (stylus or needle) of this plot is the luminous spot which moves on the screen and draws the weshape of the signal.

### Block diagram of the CRO.

Important components of a CRO are -

- Electron gun assembly — consisting heater, cathode and control grid, accelerating and focusing anodes.
- Horizontal & vertical amplifiers and H/V deflection systems.

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- (c) Time base circuits, synchronizing circuits and blanking circuits.
- (d) Astigmatism.
- (e) Attenuators.
- (f) CRO probes
- (g) Power supplies for various electrons.



Block diagram of CRO.

### Working of CRO:

- An electron beam is generated from a cathode, heated by a heater. The surface of the cathode is coated with a material of low work function.
- control grid controls the flow of electrons in the beam.
- The electron beam is accelerated by the pre accelerating and accelerating anodes and get focused on the centre of the screen by focusing anodes which are supplied with +ve voltages.

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- The signal to be displayed (or analyzed) is called y-input (or vertical input) is provided to the vertical amplifiers and then to the vertical deflection plates.
- The x (horizontal control) is a sawtooth (time base) signal which may be given externally or internally by the time base generator triggered by the trigger circuit ~~controlled~~ activated by taking signal through sync. selector switch.
- The signal to be analyzed (displayed) is a function of time (amplitude vs time) and its amplitude at different times (horizontal axis) provides deflection voltages through the vertical deflection plates ~~controlled~~ by vertical amplifiers. So we can visualise the waveform on the screen.
- If Y input (signal) is absent, then only we will get a horizontal line, called horizontal trace.
- The electron gun assembly, deflection plate assembly are mounted inside a thick hollow cylindrical evacuated glass envelope (tube) called cathode ray tube CRT, terminated with glass cover (called screen) at one end and at the other end with pins for external power/signal connection.

## CA-4 Assignments

Q.1. Define a transducer ? [2]

Q.2. Define a sensor ? [2]

Q.3. Give examples of transducers and sensors? [2]

Q.4. Compare transducers with sensors ? [2]

Q.5. what are the different classifications of transducers ? [5]

Q.6. Define and explain —

a) active and passive transducers [2]

b) primary and secondary transducers. [2]

c) Analog and digital transducers [2]

Q.7. Define and explain a photoemissive transducers ? [5]

Q.8. Define and explain a photoconductive transducers ? [5]

Q.9. Define and explain a photovoltaic transducers ? [5]

Q.10. Define a multimeter ? <sup>Explain</sup> ~~After~~ some of its applications ? [5]

Q.11. what are the two selector switches found on an analog multimeter ? what are their functions ? [5]

- Q.12 With schematic diagram explain the operation of an AMM? [5]
- Q.13 How dc current and voltages can be measured in an AMM? [5]
- Q.14 To measure ac quantities, what additional component is added to a multimeter? [2]
- Q.15 Draw and the schematic diagram of a DMM? [5] and explain?
- Q.16 Draw the block diagram of a DMM & explain [5]
- Q.17 compare analog and digital meters? [5]
- Q.18 what is a CRO? [2]
- Q.19 Draw a neat block diagram of a CRO and explain each block? [5]
- Q.20 Explain the working of CRO? [5]

## Ch-4: Transducers & Measuring Instruments

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Q.1. Transducer is a device which converts \_\_\_\_\_ from one form to another?

- a) force b) stress c) energy d) weight.

Q.2. Almost all measuring instruments consists of two main elements, one is \_\_\_\_\_ and other is \_\_\_\_\_?

- a) modulator, demodulator b) sensor, transducer

- c) power meter, energy meter d) scale, weight.

Q.3. In an optoelectronic transducer, \_\_\_\_\_ energy is converted to \_\_\_\_\_ energy?

- a) heat to mechanical b) tidal to solar

- c) wind to electrical d) light (photo) to electrical.

Q.4. Which one of the following is an active transducer?

- a) thermocouple b) thermistor c) LVDT d) strain gauge.

Q.5. Digital multimeter is an example of \_\_\_\_\_ transducer

- a) Analog b) Digital c) numerical d) Decimal

Q.6. In a photoemissive transducer, the photo cathode is also called as \_\_\_\_\_?

- a) collector b) base c) emitter d) deflector

Q.7. In a photoconductive transducer, when light falls on the photoconductive material, its conductance \_\_\_\_\_?

- a) decreases b) remains unchanged c) becomes zero d) increases

Q.8. A photovoltaic transducer can be used as a \_\_\_\_\_

- a) voltage source b) current source c) Ammeter d) voltmeter

Q.9. A multimeter is also called as \_\_\_\_\_ meter?

- a) VAO meter b) AVO meter c) OVA meter d) AOV meter.

Q.10 On a multimeter, the function selector switch is used to \_\_\_\_\_?

- a) select the parameter to be measured
- b) select type of multimeter
- c) select colour code of resistors
- d) select no. of measurements

Q.11 On a digital multimeter, the display shows OL (overload), then the range selector switch is to be —  
a) taken to lower range b) remain unchanged  
c) struck to one side d) taken to higher range.

Q.12 While checking continuity of a conductor wire, the resistance measured will show \_\_\_\_\_ ohm.  
a) zero (0) b) infinity ( $\infty$ ) c) constant d) variable.

Q.13 Multimeter is usually a dc measuring instrument. To measure ac quantities (current or voltage), the ac quantity is first converted to dc by a \_\_\_\_\_?  
a) amplifier b) speaker c) rectifier d) calculator.

Q.14 CRO stands for \_\_\_\_\_?  
a) cathode ray oscillator b) Central Resistance Oscilloscope  
c) cathode resistance oscillator d) cathode Ray Oscilloscope

Q.15 In a CRO, heater, cathode, accelerating anodes and focusing anodes, combinationally called as \_\_\_\_\_?  
a) electron-gun assembly b) current-accelerator assembly  
c) deflection assembly d) focusing assembly.

Q.16 Two types of deflecting plates used in a CRO are \_\_\_\_\_?  
a) circular & oval b) cylindrical & oval c) horizontal & vertical  
d) planer & elliptical.

Q.17 On a CRO, the signal to be measured or visualised is applied to \_\_\_\_\_ deflecting plates?  
a) Horizontal b) vertical c) circular d) elliptical.