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6.334 Power Electronics

Practice Exam 1

**Problem 1**

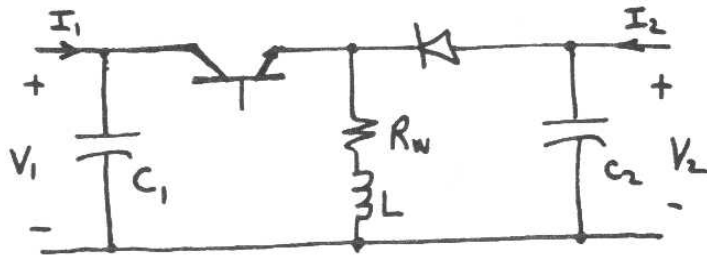


Fig. 1

The buck/boost converter of Fig. 1 contains a very large inductor,  $L$ , with a winding resistance,  $R_w = 0.1\Omega$ . The circuit is operating under the following conditions:

$$\begin{aligned} D &= 0.25 \\ I_1 &= 10 \text{ A} \\ V_1 &= 40 \text{ V} \end{aligned}$$

Determine  $V_2$ .

**Problem 2**

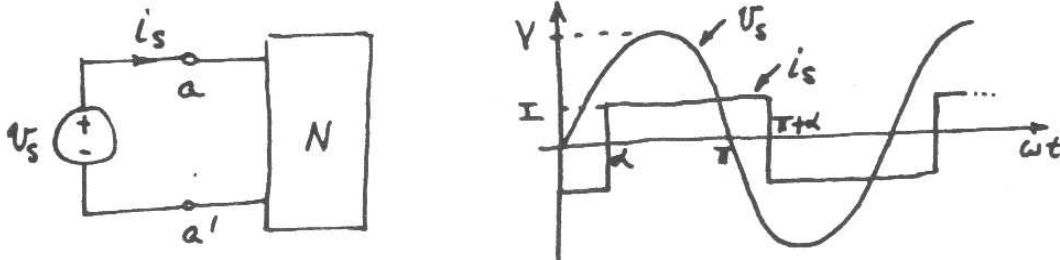


Fig. 2

The network  $N$  of Fig. 2 is supplied by a sinusoidal voltage source,  $v_s = V \sin \omega t$ , and draws a current  $i_s$  as shown in the figure. What is the power factor of the network  $N$  at terminal pair  $a - a'$ ?

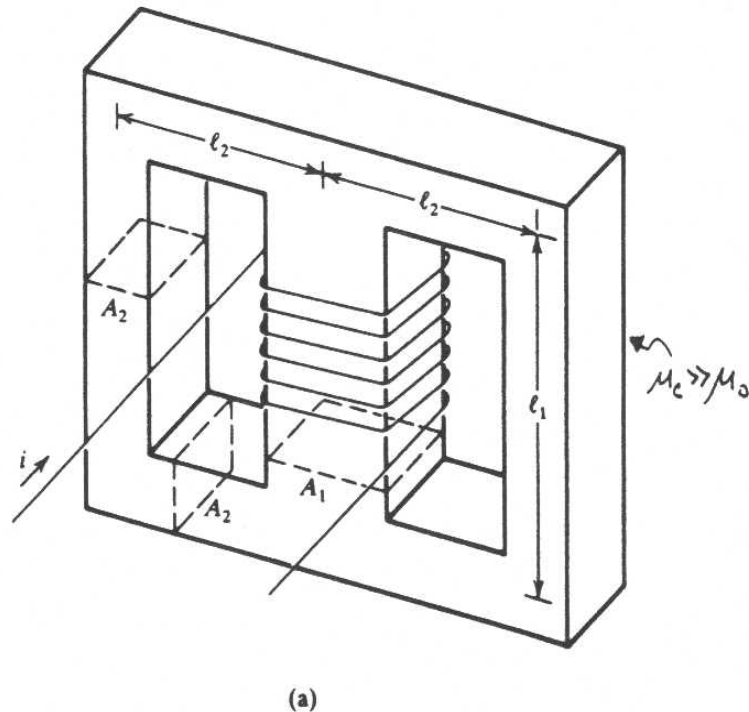
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**Problem 3**

Figure 20.2 shows an inductor made of a three-legged core with a winding of  $N$  turns on the center leg. The two outer legs have cross-sectional areas different from that of the center leg. What is the inductance of the winding?



**Figure 20.2** (a) Magnetic structure with one winding of  $N$  turns and three legs. The two outer legs have cross-sectional area  $A_2$ , and the inner leg has area  $A_1$ . The core material has permeability  $\mu_c$ .

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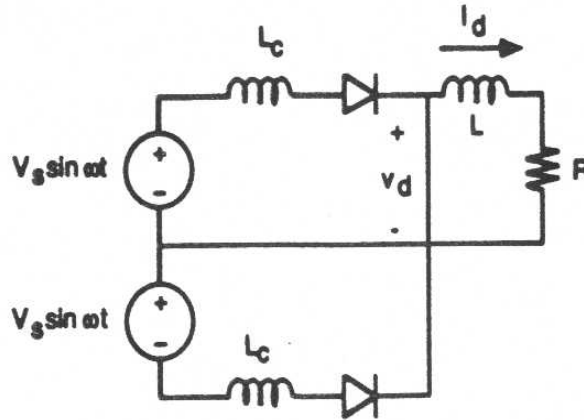


Figure 1

Assume  $I_d$  is constant in the circuit above.

- Sketch  $v_d$  for  $L_c = 0$ .
- Derive the load regulation characteristic of this rectifier, i.e.,  $\langle v_d \rangle = f(I_d, V_g, X_c)$
- Sketch the load regulation curve for this circuit.

**Problem 2**

A transformer coupled dc/dc converter is shown in Fig. 2. Assume the transformer is ideal.

- What is the voltage conversion ratio  $V_B/V_A$  for this converter assuming periodic steady state continuous conduction mode operation?
- In which direction(s) can time average power flow in this converter?
- Determine the peak switch and diode voltage stresses and suggest an appropriate switch implementation.

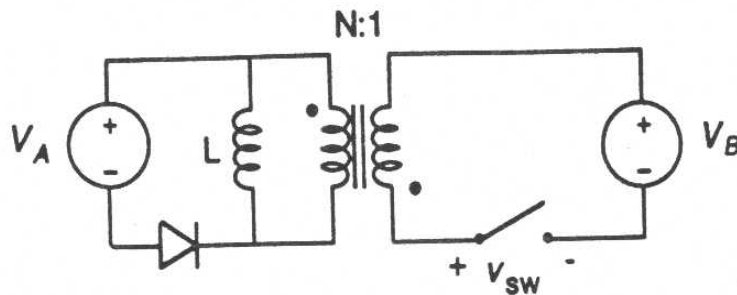


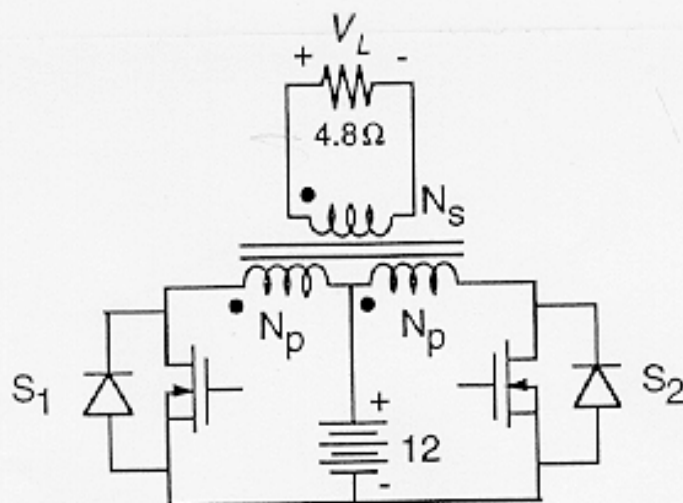
Figure 2

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**Problem 1**

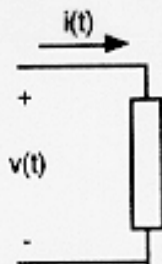


**Figure 1**

Consider the centertapped inverter of Fig. 1. The transformer is ideal.

- The switches  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  are controlled with a 50% duty ratio to generate a 48 V square wave across the  $4.8 \Omega$  load. What turns ratio  $N_p:N_s$  is required to generate the desired square-wave output?
- Compute the peak switch stresses on  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  under the conditions of (a).
- How would you control the switches to eliminate the 3<sup>rd</sup> harmonic in the load voltage,  $v_L$ ?
- What are the load power and rms switch currents for the switches controlled as specified in (c)?

**Problem 2**



The non-linear load above exhibits the following terminal variables:

$$v(t) = V_1 \sin \omega t + V_3 \sin(3\omega t)$$

$$i(t) = I_1 \sin(\omega t + \phi_1) + I_3 \sin(3\omega t + \phi_3) + I_5 \sin(5\omega t + \phi_5)$$

What is the power factor of this load?

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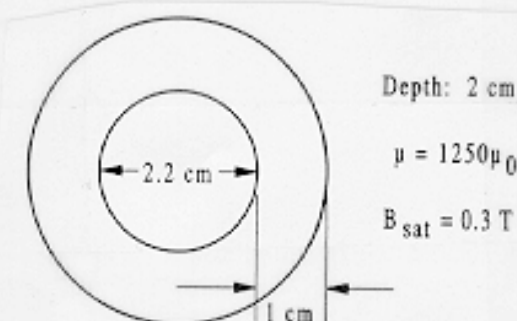
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Practice Exam 4

**Problem 1** A ferrite core, shown in Fig. 1, has a mean core length  $l_c$  of 10 cm and a cross-sectional area of  $2 \text{ cm}^2$ . Its saturation flux density is 0.3 T, and the permeability of the core is  $1250\mu_0$  (where  $\mu_0 = 4\pi \times 10^{-7} \text{ H/m}$ ).

- a. If 10 turns of wire are placed on the core, how much current can the coil carry without saturating the core?
- b. What is the minimum number of turns on the core necessary so that the core will not saturate when a 120 V (rms!), 60 Hz sinusoidal voltage is applied across the coil?

Figure 1



**Problem 2**

- (a) What is the minimum value of  $V_c$  needed to permit the circuit of Fig. 2 to operate at  $D = 0.2$ ?
- (b) Sketch and dimension  $i_i$ ,  $i_c$ , and  $v_s$  for  $D = 0.2$ .

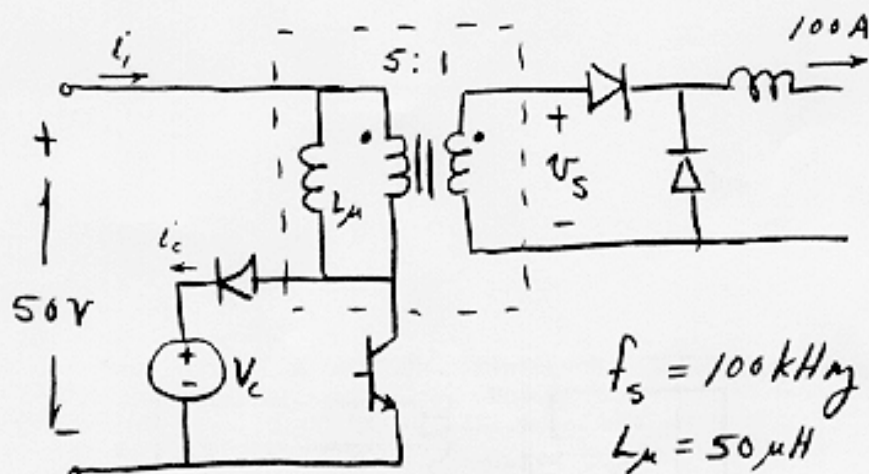


Fig. 2

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Practice Exam 1 Sol'n's

**Prob 1**  $\langle I_{c1} \rangle = DI_2 - (1-D)I_1 = 0 \quad \{I_L = I_1 + I_2\}$

$$\therefore \frac{I_1}{I_2} = \frac{D}{1-D}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle V_L \rangle &= D[V_1 - (I_1 + I_2)R] + (1-D)[V_2 - (I_1 + I_2)R] = 0 \\ &= DV_1 + (1-D)V_2 - (I_1 + I_2)R = 0 \end{aligned}$$

combining these  $(1-D)V_2 = \left(\frac{1}{D}\right)I_1 R - DV_1$

$$\therefore V_2 = -\frac{D}{1-D}V_1 + \frac{1}{D(1-D)}I_1 R \approx -8.0 \text{ V}$$

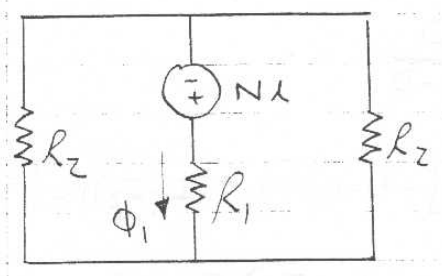
**Prob 2**  $V_{s,rms} = \frac{V}{\sqrt{2}} \quad I_{s,rms} = I$

$$\langle P \rangle = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{\alpha}^{\pi+\alpha} VI \sin \phi d\phi = \frac{2VI}{\pi} \cos \alpha$$

$$K_p = \frac{\langle P \rangle}{V_{rms} I_{rms}} = \frac{\frac{2VI}{\pi} \cos \alpha}{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} VI}$$

$$K_p = \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{\pi} \cos(\alpha)$$

Prob 3 {Note: this is example 20.3 in KSV}



$$R_1 = \frac{l_1}{\mu_c A_1} \quad R_2 = \frac{2l_2 + l_1}{\mu_c A_2}$$

$$R_{net} = R_1 + \frac{1}{2} R_2$$

$$= \frac{l_1 A_2 + (\frac{1}{2} l_1 + l_2) A_1}{\mu_c A_1 A_2}$$

$$L = \frac{N\Phi}{I} = \frac{N^2}{R_{net}}$$

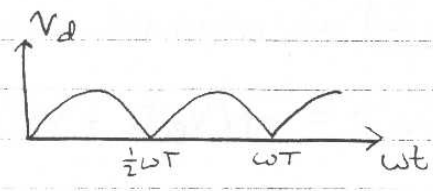
$$\therefore L = \frac{N^2 \mu_c A_1 A_2}{l_1 A_2 + (\frac{1}{2} l_1 + l_2) A_1}$$

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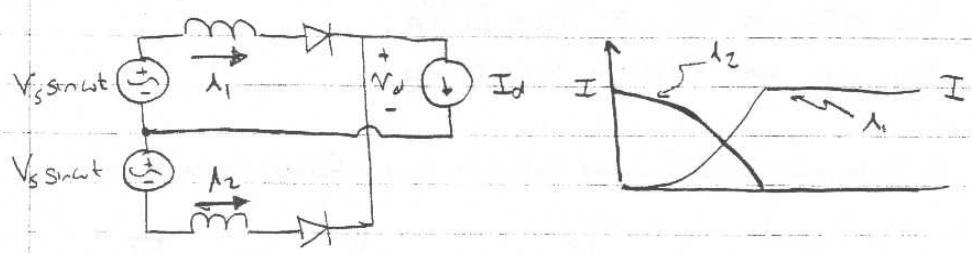
Practice Exam 2 Sol'n's

Prob 1

If  $L_c = 0$   
(full-wave / half bridge)



If  $L_c \neq 0$  we must commutate current between 2 diodes  
(during which both will be on)

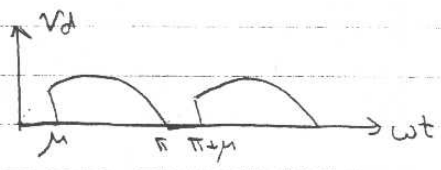


during commutation  $\frac{dI_1}{dt} = \frac{1}{2L} \cdot 2V_s \sin(\omega t)$

$$I_1 = \frac{V_s}{\omega L} \int_0^{\omega t} \sin \phi d\phi$$

$$I_d = \frac{V_s}{\omega L} \int_0^{\mu} \sin \phi d\phi = \frac{V_s}{\omega L} [1 - \cos \mu]$$

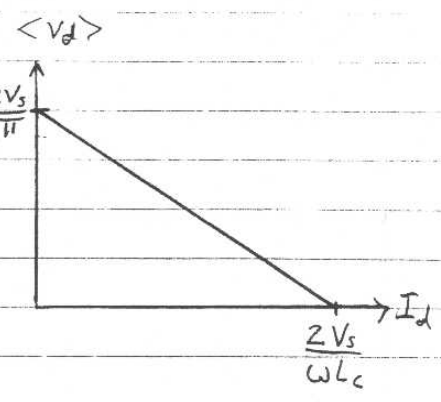
$$\cos \mu = 1 - \frac{X_c I_d}{V_s}$$



$$\langle V_d \rangle = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{\mu}^{\pi} V_s \sin \phi d\phi$$

$$= \frac{V_s}{\pi} [\cos \mu + 1] = \frac{2V_s}{\pi}$$

$$\langle V_d \rangle = \frac{2V_s}{\pi} \left[ 1 - \frac{X_c I_d}{2V_s} \right]$$





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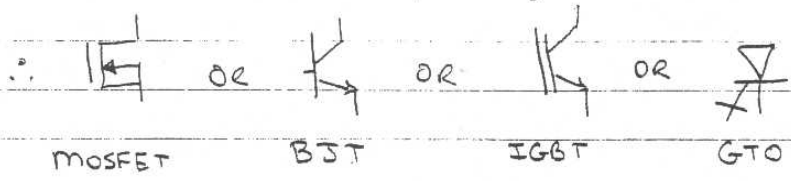
**Prob 2** This is essentially an isolated indirect (flyback) converter

A.  $\langle V_L \rangle = -N V_B D + V_A (1-D) = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{V_B}{V_A} = \frac{1-D}{ND}$

B. The diode orientation constrains power flow to be from right to left.

C. Sw. off  $\rightarrow V_{sw} = V_B + \frac{1}{N} V_A$   
Sw. on  $\rightarrow V_{diode} = V_A + N V_B$

Switch must block forward voltage + carry forward current





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Prob 2

$$V_{rms} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}(V_1^2 + V_3^2)}$$

$$I_{rms} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}(I_1^2 + I_2^2 + I_3^2)}$$

$$\langle P \rangle = \langle v(t) i(t) \rangle = \frac{1}{2} V_1 I_1 \cos \phi_1 + \frac{1}{2} V_3 I_3 \cos(\phi_3)$$

$$K_p = \frac{\langle P \rangle}{V_{rms} I_{rms}} = \frac{\frac{1}{2} V_1 I_1 \cos \phi_1 + \frac{1}{2} V_3 I_3 \cos \phi_3}{\frac{1}{2} \sqrt{(V_1^2 + V_3^2)(I_1^2 + I_2^2 + I_3^2)}}$$

$$K_p = \frac{V_1 I_1 \cos \phi_1 + V_3 I_3 \cos \phi_3}{\sqrt{(V_1^2 + V_3^2)(I_1^2 + I_2^2 + I_3^2)}}$$

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**Prob 1** (A)  $\lambda = N\Phi_B = NBA_c$

$$L = \frac{N^2}{R} = \frac{N^2 \mu_c A_c}{l_c}$$

$$\therefore \lambda = LI \Rightarrow NBA_c = \frac{N^2 \mu_c A_c}{l_c} I$$

$$\therefore I_{\max} = \frac{B_{\text{sat}} l_c}{N \mu_c} = \frac{(0.3T)(0.1m)}{(10)(1250 \times 4\pi \times 10^{-7})} \approx 1.91A$$

(B)  $\lambda_{\max} = \int V dt = NBA_c$

We require  $B \leq B_{\text{sat}} \therefore N \geq \frac{\int V dt}{B_{\text{sat}} A_c}$

@ 60 Hz,  $\omega = 377 \text{ rad/sec}$ , max  $\int V dt$  is for  $\frac{1}{2}$  cycle

$$\lambda_{\max} = \frac{1}{377} \int_0^{\pi} 120\sqrt{2} \sin \phi d\phi = \frac{120\sqrt{2}}{377} \cdot 2 = 0.9 \text{ V-s}$$

$$\therefore N \geq \frac{0.9}{(0.3)(2 \times 10^{-4})} \approx 15,000 \Rightarrow \text{Very big!}$$

**Prob 2**

(A) we require  $V_{in} D \leq (V_c - V_{in})(1-D)$

so transformer core will reset during 1-D time period.

$$\therefore V_c \geq V_{in} \frac{D}{1-D} + V_{in}$$

$$V_c \geq \frac{V_{in}}{1-D} = \frac{50}{0.8} = 62.5$$

Note that a higher clamp voltage is needed at higher



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$$\Delta I_{L(\text{pp})} = \frac{V_1}{L_{\mu}} DT = 2A$$

