

Rectification

Mark Scheme

Level	International A Level
Subject	Physics
Exam Board	CIE
Topic	Alternating Currents
Sub Topic	Rectification
Paper Type	Theory
Booklet	Mark Scheme

Time Allowed: 90 minutes

Score: /75

Percentage: /100

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>85%	77.5%	70%	62.5%	57.5%	45%	<45%

- 1 (a) (induced) e.m.f. proportional to rate
of change of (magnetic) flux (linkage) M1
A1 [2]
- (b) positive terminal identified (upper connection to load) B1 [1]
- (ii) $V_P = \sqrt{2} \times V_{RMS}$ C1
ratio = $240 \sqrt{2} / 9$ C1
= 38 A1 [3]
($V_P = V_{RMS} / \sqrt{2}$ gives ratio = 18.9 and scores 1/3)
(ratio = $240 / 9 = 26.7$ scores 1/3)
(ratio = $9 / (240 / \sqrt{2}) = 0.0265$ is inverted ratio and scores 1/3)
- (c) e.g. (output) p.d. / voltage / current does not fall to zero B1 [1]
e.g. range of (output) p.d. / voltage / current is reduced (*any sensible answer*)
- (ii) sketch: same peak value at start of discharge M1
correct shape between one peak and the next A1 [2]
- 2 (a) (i) connection to 'top' of resistor labelled as positive B1 [1]
- (ii) diode B and diode D B1 [1]
- (b) (i) $V_P = 4.0\text{ V}$ C
mean power = $V_P^2 / 2R$ C1
= $4^2 / (2 \times 2700)$
= $2.96 \times 10^{-3}\text{ W}$ A [3]
- (ii) capacitor, correct symbol, connected in parallel with R B1 [1]
- (c) graph: half-wave rectification M1
same period and same peak value A1 [2]

- 3 (a) (i) peak voltage = 4.0 V A1 [1]
- (ii) r.m.s. voltage $(= 4.0/\sqrt{2}) = 2.8$ V A1 [1]
- (iii) period $T = 20$ ms M1
frequency = $1 / (20 \times 10^{-3})$ M1
frequency = 50 Hz A0 [2]
- (b) (i) change = $4.0 - 2.4 = 1.6$ V A1 [1]
- (ii) $\Delta Q = C\Delta V$ or $Q = CV$ C1
 $= 5.0 \times 10^{-6} \times 1.6 = 8.0 \times 10^{-6}$ C A1 [2]
- (iii) discharge time = 7 ms C1
current = $(8.0 \times 10^{-6}) / (7.0 \times 10^{-3})$ M1
 $= 1.1(4) \times 10^{-3}$ A A0 [2]
- (c) average p.d. = 3.2 V C1
resistance = $3.2 / (1.1 \times 10^{-3})$
 $= 2900 \Omega$ (allow 2800 Ω) A1 [2]
- 4 (a) supply connected correctly (to left & right) B1
load connected correctly (to top & bottom) B1 [2]
- (b) e.g. power supplied on every half-cycle
greater average/mean power
(any sensible suggestion, 1 mark) B1 [1]
- (c) (i) reduction in the variation of the output voltage/current B1 [1]
- (ii) larger capacitance produces more smoothing M1
either product RC larger
or for the same load A1 [2]

- 5 (a) e.g. more (output) power available
 e.g. less ripple for same smoothing capacitance
any sensible suggestion B1 [1]
- (b) (i) curve showing half-wave rectification B1 [1]
- (ii) similar to (i) but phase shift of 180° B1 [1]
- (c) (i) correct symbol, connected in parallel with R B1 [1]
- (ii) larger capacitor / second capacitor in parallel with R B1 [1]
 (not increase R)
 2 same peak values B1
 correct shape giving less ripple B1 [2]

[Total: 7]

- 6 (a) r.m.s. output = $9/\sqrt{2}$ or peak input = $230\sqrt{2}$ C1
 $N_S/N_P = V_S/V_P$ C1
 $N_S = 138 \rightarrow 140$ turns A1 [3]
- (b) (i) four diodes correctly positioned regardless of output polarity
 giving correct output polarity (*all 'point to left'*) M1
 A1 [2]
- (ii) capacitor shown in parallel with R B1 [1]
- (c) (i) time t_1 to time t_2 B1 [1]
- (ii) sketch: same peak values M1
 ripple reduced and reasonable shape A1 [2]

- 7 (a) single diode.....M1
 in series with R OR in series with a.c. supply A1 [2]
- (b) (i)1 5.4 V (allow ± 0.1 V)..... A1
- (i) $V = iR$
 $I = 5.4/1.5 \times 10^3$ C1
 $= 3.6 \times 10^{-3}$ A A1
- (i) time = 0.027 s A1 [4]
- (ii) $Q = it$
 $= 3.6 \times 10^{-3} \times 0.027$ C1
 $= 9.72 \times 10^{-5}$ C A1
- (ii) $C = \Delta Q/\Delta V$ (allow C – Q/V for this mark) C1
 $= (9.72 \times 10^{-5})/1.2$
 $= 8.1 \times 10^{-5}$ F A1 [4]
- (c) line: reasonable shape with less ripple..... B1 [1]

- 8 (a) all four diodes correct to give output, regardless of polarity
 connected for correct polarity M1
 A1 [2]
- (b) $N_S / N_P = V_S / V_P$ C1
 $V_0 = \sqrt{2} \times V_{rms}$ C1
 ratio = $9.0 / (\sqrt{2} \times 240)$
 $= 1/38$ or $1/37$ or 0.027 A1 [3]

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- 9 (a) (i) peak voltage = $6\sqrt{2}$
peak voltage = 8.48 V C1
A1 [2]
- (ii) zero because *either* no current in circuit (and $V = IR$)
or all p.d. across diode B1 [1]
- (b) waveform: half-wave rectification B1
peak height at about 4.25 cm B1
half-period spacing of 2.0 cm B1 [3]
(allow $\pm 1/4$ square for height and half-period)
- (c) (i) capacitor shown in parallel with resistor B1 [1]
- (ii) *either* energy = $\frac{1}{2}CV^2$ or = $\frac{1}{2}QV$ and $Q = CV$ C1
= $\frac{1}{2} \times 180 \times 10^{-6} \times (6\sqrt{2})^2$ C1
= 6.48×10^{-3} J A1 [3]
- (iii) *either* fraction = 0.43^2 or final energy = 1.2 mJ C1
fraction = 0.18 A1 [2]

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